



## pH of aqueous solutions of salt

### 1. Experimental procedures

#### 1.1. Determination of the acidic or basic nature of salts.

Determine whether aqueous solutions of the following salts are acidic, basic, or neutral:

Weigh 0.2 grams of salt into a beaker (indicated by the conducting laboratory classes instructor), add water up to 2/3 of the volume, and mix until the salt will be dissolve. Measure the pH of the solutions.

In the report write the equations of cation as an acid or anion as a base. The results are summarized in the table. Indicate a non-pH ion.

#### 1.2. Determination of the acid ionization constant

Transfer 0.2 M  $ZnCl_2$  solution into a beaker. Measure the pH of the solution.

#### 1.3. Effect of salt concentration on the pH of the solution

Measure the pH of the solutions: 0.1 M and 0.01 M  $NH_4Cl$ , and 0.2 M and 0.02 M  $Na_2CO_3$

### 2. Development of results

No	Salt	pH	Equation of the reaction of a cation as an acid or anion as a base
1			
2			
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Calculate the acid ionization constant ( $K_a$ ) of the cation or anion of salts tested at 1.2. and 1.3.

Only the first dissociation constant should be considered

### 3. Conclusions

#### 4. The scope of material

- Cations as an acid
- Anions as a base
- Amphiprotic compounds
- Calculate of the acid ionization constant

### 5. References

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