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ACID BASES UNIT
Lesson #5
CONJUGATE ACIDS AND BASES

A conjugate ACID-BASE PAIR is a pair of chemical species that

CONJUGATE ACID- differ only by one proton
has an extra proton

CONJUGATE BASE- has one less proton

Example 1. In the equilibrium reaction $\text{NH}_4^+ + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{NH}_3 + \text{H}_3\text{O}^+$ there are
TWO CONJUGATE PAIRS

CONJUGATE PAIR	CONJUGATE ACID	CONJUGATE BASE
a. $\text{NH}_4^+ / \text{NH}_3$	NH_4^+	NH_3
b. $\text{H}_2\text{O} / \text{H}_3\text{O}^+$	H_3O^+	H_2O

Example 2. Given the following conjugate pairs, identify the conjugate acid and the conjugate base:

$\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^{1-}$, HPO_4^{2-}

S^{2-} , HS^-

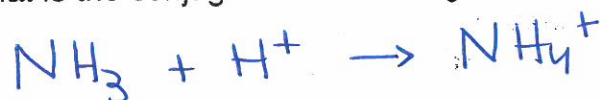
HCO_3^- , CO_3^{2-}

ACID
 H_2PO_4^-
 HS^-
 HCO_3^-

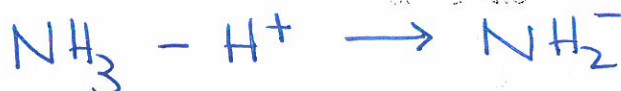
BASE
 HPO_4^{2-}
 S^{2-}
 CO_3^{2-}

Example 3.

a. What is the conjugate ACID of NH_3 ?



b. What would be the conjugate BASE of NH_3 ?



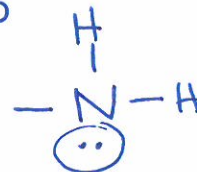
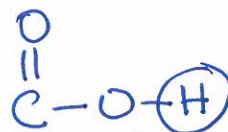
A NOTE on ORGANIC COMPOUNDS:

ORGANIC ACIDS, substances containing a COOH group:

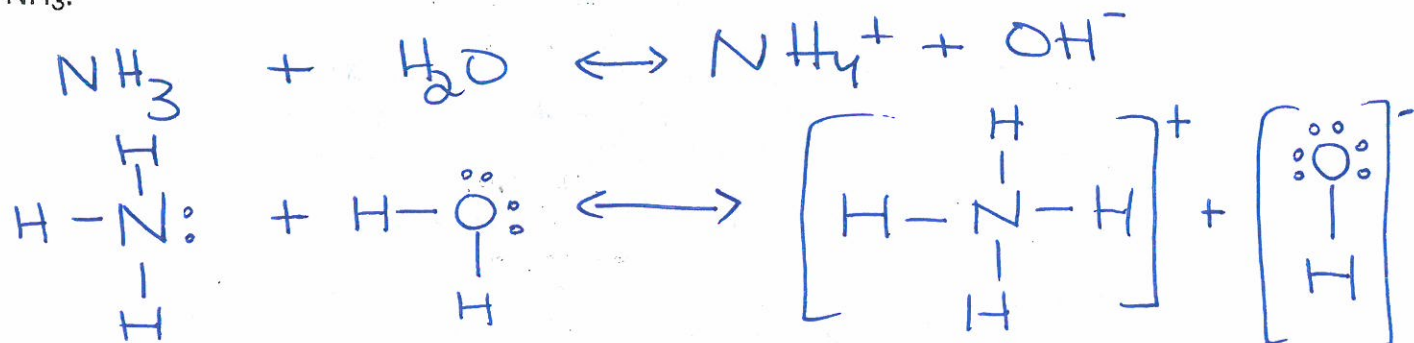
the H @ the end of the functional group
is removable

ORGANIC BASES, substances containing either an NH_2 group or an NH group:

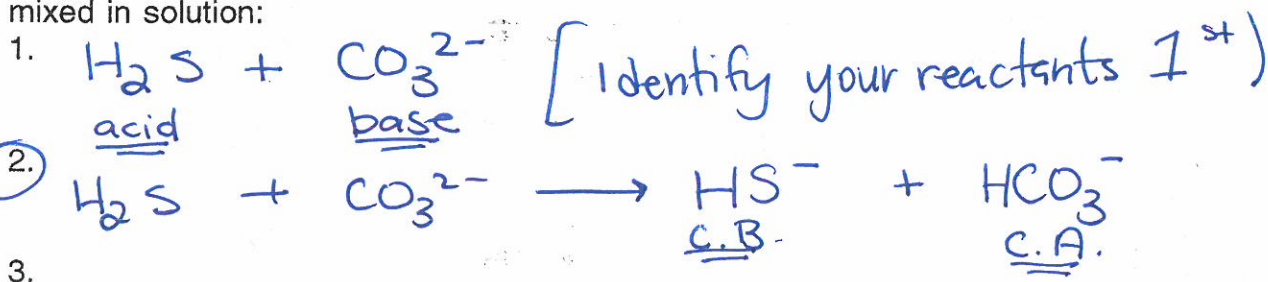
it is the Nitrogen that accepts the
proton.



Using LEWIS DOT STRUCTURES we can visualize the reaction between water and NH_3 :



Example 4. Write the acid-base equilibrium which occurs when H_2S and CO_3^{2-} are mixed in solution:



Generic Bronsted-Lowry acid base equilibrium reaction looks like:

Conjugate ACID + Conjugate Base \leftrightarrow Conjugate BASE + Conjugate ACID
of A of B of A of B

acting as an acid:



acting as a base:



SEATWORK/HOMEWORK: Exercises 15-19 in Hebden
PLO's: J10-J12