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ACTIVITY SHEET

7.2 Precipitation challenge

Use the information in the solubility table below to identify whether or not a precipitate would form when each of the following anions and cations are mixed together in aqueous solution.

| Soluble anions | Exceptions |
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| NO_3^- | None |
| CH ₃ COO ⁻ | Ag ⁺ slightly soluble |
| Cl ⁻ | Ag ⁺ insoluble; Pb ²⁺ slightly soluble |
| Br ⁻ | Ag ⁺ insoluble; Pb ²⁺ slightly soluble |
| I- | Ag ⁺ , Pb ²⁺ insoluble |
| SO_4^{2-} | Ba ²⁺ , Pb ²⁺ , Sr ²⁺ insoluble; Ag ⁺ , Ca ²⁺ slightly soluble |
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| Insoluble anions | Exceptions |
| Insoluble anions OH ⁻ | Exceptions Group 1, NH ₄ ⁺ , Ba ²⁺ , Sr ²⁺ soluble; Ca ²⁺ slightly soluble |
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| OH ⁻ | Group 1, NH ₄ ⁺ , Ba ²⁺ , Sr ²⁺ soluble; Ca ²⁺ slightly soluble |
| OH ⁻ O ²⁻ | Group 1, NH ₄ ⁺ , Ba ²⁺ , Sr ²⁺ soluble; Ca ²⁺ slightly soluble Group 1, NH ₄ ⁺ , Ba ²⁺ , Sr ²⁺ , Ca ²⁺ soluble |
| OH ⁻ O ²⁻ S ²⁻ | Group 1, NH ₄ ⁺ , Ba ²⁺ , Sr ²⁺ soluble; Ca ²⁺ slightly soluble Group 1, NH ₄ ⁺ , Ba ²⁺ , Sr ²⁺ , Ca ²⁺ soluble Groups 1 and 2, NH ₄ ⁺ soluble |

Use 'P' to indicate a precipitate and 'NP' to indicate that no precipitate is formed. Assume that slightly soluble compounds all form precipitates. Shade in the cell for the combinations that result in precipitates. You may need to consult a periodic table.

Precipitation grid

| Anions Cations | Br ⁻ | Cl ⁻ | CO ₃ ²⁻ | Ι⁻ | NO ₃ | 02- | OH- | S ²⁻ | SO ₄ ²⁻ | PO ₄ ³⁻ |
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| Ag^+ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Al ³⁺ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ba ²⁺ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ca ²⁺ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cu ²⁺ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fe ²⁺ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fe ³⁺ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mg^{2+} | | | | | | | | | | |
| Na ⁺ | | | | | | | | | | |
| NH_4^+ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pb ²⁺ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sr ²⁺ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Zn ²⁺ | | | | | | | | | | |