SOLUBILITY CURVES





WHAT DO THESE GRAPHS MEAN?

- Each line shows how much stuff (CALLED SOLUTE) can be dissolved in 100 mL OF WATER (CALLED SOLVENT) at a bunch of different temperatures.
- Why at a bunch of different temperatures?
 - Because, as the lifesaver lab showed, hotter water is better at dissolving stuff. So, hot water not only dissolves a solute faster, but it can also dissolve A GREATER MASS OF SOLUTE, in the same volume of water.



WHAT DOES THE LINES REPRESENT?

 They represents
SATURATED SOLUTIONS at a given temperature:

 SATURATED = cannot dissolve any more solute



WHAT DO THE LINES REPRESENT? continued

For example, let's say I put a 10 grams of powdered lemonade mix into a 100 ml glass of water, and stir until dissolved

I then try to add 1 more gram, but it won't dissolve – it just piles up on the bottom of the glass.

 This shows me that at a water temperature of 20° celcius, 100 mL of water is saturated by 10 grams of lemonade mix – it cannot dissolve 11 grams (or more) of mix

I will plot this information on a graph – my point will be: x = 20° celcius, y = 10 grams of solute.



Next, I heated 100 mL of water up to 40° celcius, and I added 20 grams of powdered lemonade mix into the heated glass of water, and I stirred until it all dissolved

I then try to add 1 more gram, but it won't dissolve – it just piles up on the bottom of the glass.



 This shows me that at a water temperature of 40° celcius, 100 mL of water is SATURATED by 20 grams of lemonade mix – it cannot dissolve 21 grams (or more) of mix



I will plot this information on a graph – my point will be: x = 40° celcius, y = 20 grams of solute.



This is a SATURATION curve – it's a line that shows how much lemonade mix (the SOLUTE) saturates 100 mL of water at different temperatures (so far, l've tried 2 temperatures)









Next, I continued to heat 100 mL of water up by 10° celcius, and I kept adding grams of powdered lemonade mix into the heated glass of water, and I stirred until it all dissolved.













For each new temperature, I would then try to add 1 more gram, but it won't dissolve – it just piles up on the bottom of the glass. At that point, I'd heat up the water again, and repeat the process.....







 I then plotted all this information on my graph – with x points for every 10° celcius, and y points for the grams of solute that would completely dissolve at that water



I now have a <u>SOLUBILITY CURVE</u> for Lemonade mix :

 The LINE ITSELF represents a SATURATED SOLUTION, which is the maximum mass of solute dissolved in 100 mL of water at a given temperature:



 Remember, water becomes a better solvent as it is heated, so it can dissolve more solute at higher temperatures – that's why the curve has a positive slope:



 The LINE ITSELF also represents a "perfect" SOLUTION; that is, a solution with the EXACT amount of solute that will saturate 100 mL of water:



At any temperature, any <u>LESS</u> solute than the value on the line would produce an <u>UNSATURATED</u> solution

• (points **below** the line)



 At any temperature, any <u>MORE</u> solute than the value on the line would produce an <u>OVERSATURATED</u> solution

• (points <u>above</u> the line)









HOMEWORK SHEET "A"

Q: WHAT IS THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF NaCI THAT CAN BE DISSOLVED AT 50°C?

A: approx 35g/100mL: See graph, start at 50°C line on x axis, move up until get to NaCl line, then across to Y axis, = 35g/100mL



MYSTERY SUBSTANCE LAB SOLUTION:

GIVEN: 40g OF SOLUTE.

WHY LOOK FOR A PRECIPITATE?

WHY IS THE PRECIPITATE TEMPERATURE IMPORTANT?

WHICH LINE DOES YOUR POINT BELONG TO?

HOW DOES YOUR GRAPH DEPICT REALITY?