

## UNIT 3 – ACIDS AND BASES

**OCSL:** Chapter 3: Acid-Base Reactions

**VTOC:** [Acid-Base Reactions](#)

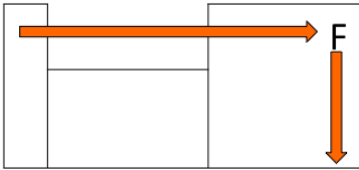
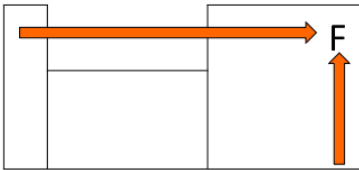
**UCSD:** [7.1: The 'basic' idea of an acid-base reaction](#)

[7.2: Comparing the acidity and basicity of organic functional groups– the acidity constant](#)

[7.3: Structural effects on acidity and basicity](#), [7.4: More on resonance effects on acidity and basicity](#)

### Skills:

- 3A. Predict relative acidity and basicity of molecules or based on element effects, inductive effects, resonance effects and hybridization effects.
- 3B. Identify the acid and base in a Brønsted-Lowry acid-base reactions, draw the products and predict the direction based on  $pK_a$  values or structure.
- 3C. Identify the acid and base in a Lewis acid-base reaction, draw the products of a Lewis acid-base reaction.

Effects (in order of importance)	Trend in Acidity	Explanation
<b>Element Effects</b> the atom the H is <i>directly</i> attached to		Across a period, $e^-$ are more stable on electronegative atoms. Down a group $e^-$ are more stable the larger orbitals
<b>Resonance Effects</b>	The more resonance forms in the conjugate base, the stronger the acid	Resonance stabilizes the conjugate base.
<b>Inductive Effects</b> atoms <i>indirectly</i> attached to the H	 For neighbors that are $e^-$ withdrawing: more electronegative, more acidic, more withdrawing groups, more acidic, closer to the H, more acidic.	$e^-$ withdrawing power of neighboring atoms stabilizes electrons on conjugate base.
<b>Hybridization Effects</b>	$sp^3 < sp^2 < sp$ More s-character, more acidic	orbitals with more s-character are more stable, as are $e^-$ in those orbitals