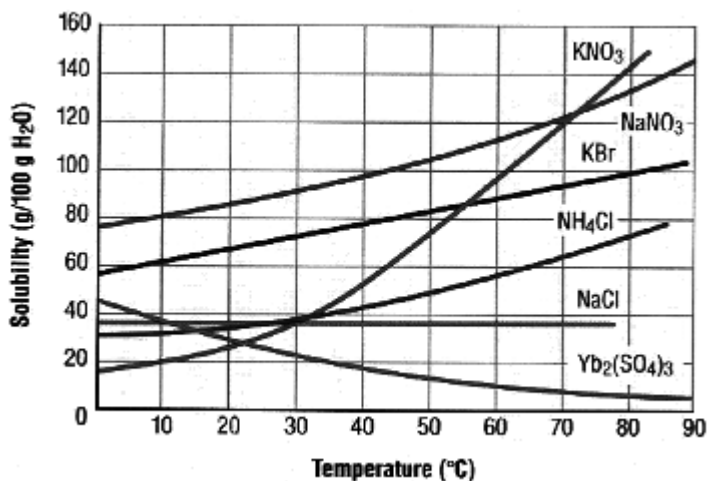


Reading Solubility Curves



Solubility is the measure of the mass of solute that can be dissolved in 100. g solvent (usually water) at a given temperature. The graph at left shows the solubility of several compounds. Use this graph to answer the questions below.

- How many grams of potassium bromide can be dissolved in 100. g of 40°C water? _____
- What mass potassium nitrate can be dissolved in **200.** g of 30°C water? _____
- Which compound's solubility seems to be least affected by temperature? _____
- A solution contains 20. g Yb₂(SO₄)₃ in 100. g of 35°C water. Is this solution unsaturated, saturated or supersaturated? Justify your answer.

- A solution contains 20. g NaCl in 100. g water at 40°C. How much more NaCl could be added?

- At what temperature are the solubilities of potassium bromide and potassium nitrate equal? _____
- In general, as the temperature of the solvent increases, the mass of a solid solute in will increase. Which of the compounds in the graph is an exception to that general rule? _____
- How does the solubility graph of gases dissolved in water compare to the curves in this graph?

- A solution of potassium nitrate contains 130. g in 100. g of 70°C water. Is this solution unsaturated, saturated, or supersaturated? How must it have been prepared?

