Solubility Guidelines

Predicting solubility of Ionic Compounds

- The greater the ion's charge, the less soluble. More attraction, therefore harder to pull apart. Ex. KCl – soluble MgS – insoluble
- 2. The smaller the atoms, the less soluble. Smaller atoms bond closer together, therefore harder to pull apart. Ex. NaF is less soluble than NaI.

Solubility charts list the common patterns.

- Ex 1. Determine whether each of the following compounds is soluble or insoluble.
 - a) AgCI
 - b) Na₂CO₃
 - c) Li₃N
 - d) PbI₄