

Acids and bases



- Brønsted :
 - H^+ donor and acceptor
- $$HA + B \rightarrow HB^+ + A^-$$



- Lewis :
 - electron pair acceptor and donor
- $$A + :B \rightarrow A:B$$

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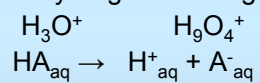
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Brønsted acids HA

HA in aqueous solution:

Hydration and hydrogen bonding



Bond strength



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Figures from textbook

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Ionic potential

- Charge density on surface of ion

Increases when

- charge increases
- size decreases

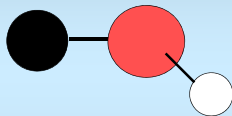
Small ions with high charge:
high ionic potential

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Weak acids YOH



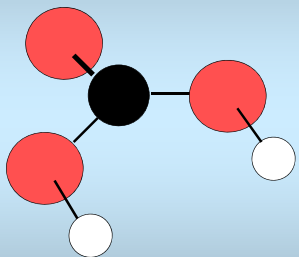
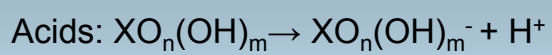
Relative bond strength

- Increase in size of Y^{n+} : weaker Y-O bond
- Increase in charge (n) : stronger Y-O bond

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$pK \sim 8 - 5n$ (Bell's rule)

n=3 : very strong -7

n=2 : strong -2

n=1 : weak 3

n=0 : weak 8

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Oxy acids acidity
 $XO_n(OH)_m : pK \approx 8-5n$

Very weak pK ~ 8	Weak pK ~ 3	Strong pK ~ -2	Very strong (pK ~ -7)
ClOH 7.2	NOOH 3.3	NO ₂ OH -1.4	ClO ₃ OH (-10)
BrOH 8.7	ClOOH 2.0	ClO ₂ OH -1	MnO ₃ OH (-a lot)
IOH 10.0	CO(OH) ₂ 3.9	IO ₂ OH 0.8	
As(OH) ₃ 9.2	SO(OH) ₂ 1.9	SO ₂ (OH) ₂ <0	
Sb(OH) ₃ 11.0	SeO(OH) ₂ 2.6	SeO ₃ (OH) ₂ <0	
B(OH) ₃ 9.2	TeO(OH) ₂ 2.7		
Si(OH) ₄ 10.0	PO(OH) ₃ 2.1		
Ge(OH) ₄ 8.6	AsO(OH) ₃ 2.3		
Te(OH) ₄ 8.8	IO(OH) ₃ 1.6		
	HPO(OH) ₂ 1.8		
	H ₂ PO(OH) 2.0		

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Predict the pK of the acid corresponding to

arsenate(V)

arsenic(V) acid

antimonate(V)

antimonic(V) acid

germanate(IV)

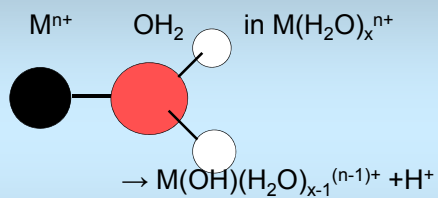
germanic(IV) acid

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Aqua ions as acids



$n = 2 \quad pK > 7$

$n = 3 \quad pK < 7$

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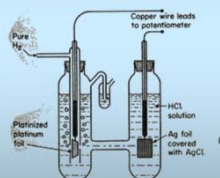
pH

$$\text{pH} \equiv -\log(\text{H}^+) \sim -\log [\text{H}^+]$$



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Standard hydrogen electrode



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Glass electrode



Copper wire

Silver wire covered with AgCl-paste
in hydrochloric acid

Special glass bulb susceptible to
protons (more or less selectively)

$$E = E^{\circ} - k \cdot \text{pH} + E_{\text{diffusion}}$$

To be standardised with buffers

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Standard buffers

Composition	pH
Potassium hydrogen tartrate, saturated at 25 °C	3.557
0.050 m potassium hydrogenphthalate	4.008
0.025 m KH_2PO_4 + ... 0.025 m Na_2HPO_4	6.865
0.008695 m KH_2PO_4 + ... 0.03043 m Na_2HPO_4	7.413
0.010 m borax	9.180

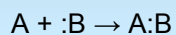
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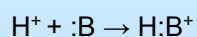
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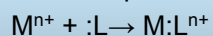
Lewis :
electron pair acceptor and donor



acid-base chemistry



complex formation



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Hard and soft acids and bases

- Polarisability of electron cloud
- Ion potential

Hard: low polarisability , high ion potential

Soft: high polarisability, low ion potential

Stable:

Hard-hard interactions (electrostatic)

Soft-soft interactions (covalent)

Unstable :hard-soft and soft-hard

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