# Chemistry 20 - Unit 2 - pH and pOH Notes 

## $\left[\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}\right]$and $[\mathrm{OH}$ ]

In water both $\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}$and $\mathrm{OH}^{-}$exist

These concentrations exist in a balanced relationship

This relationship is inversely related

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\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}+\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O} \rightleftharpoons \mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}+\mathrm{OH}^{-}
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\left[\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}\right]\left[\mathrm{OH}^{-}\right]=1.00 \times 10^{-14}
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\uparrow\left[\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}\right]=\downarrow\left[\mathrm{OH}^{-}\right]
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## Example 1:

What is the hydroxide ion concentration in a solution with a hydronium ion concentration of $2.59 \times 10^{-4} \mathrm{M}$ ?

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\begin{gathered}
{\left[\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}\right]\left[\mathrm{OH}^{-}\right]=1.00 \times 10^{-14}} \\
{\left[\mathrm{OH}^{-}\right]=\frac{1.00 \times 10^{-14}}{\left[\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}\right]}} \\
{\left[\mathrm{OH}^{-}\right]=\frac{1.00 \times 10^{-14}}{2.59 \times 10^{-4}}=3.86 \times 10^{-11}}
\end{gathered}
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## Example 2:

If 2.50 g of NaOH was dissolved in water to produce 500 mL of solution, what would be the concentration of hydronium and hydroxide ions in solution?

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\begin{gathered}
\mathrm{NaOH} \rightarrow \mathrm{Na}^{+}+\mathrm{OH}^{-} \\
{\left[\mathrm{OH}^{-}\right] \frac{\mathrm{mol}}{\mathrm{~L}}=2.50 \mathrm{~g} \times \frac{1 \mathrm{~mol}}{40 \mathrm{~g}} \times \frac{1}{0.500 \mathrm{~L}}=0.125 \mathrm{M}} \\
{\left[\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}\right]\left[\mathrm{OH}^{-}\right]=1.00 \times 10^{-14}} \\
{\left[\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}\right]=\frac{1.00 \times 10^{-14}}{\left[\mathrm{OH}^{-}\right]}=\frac{1.00 \times 10^{-14}}{1.25}=8.0 \times 10^{-14} \mathrm{M}}
\end{gathered}
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pH Review

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\begin{gathered}
p H=-\log \left[\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}\right] \\
{\left[\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}\right]=10^{-p H}}
\end{gathered}
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Example 3: What is the pH of a solution of 0.159 M HCl ?

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\begin{gathered}
\mathrm{HCl} \rightarrow \mathrm{H}^{+}+\mathrm{Cl}^{-} \\
p H=-\log \left[\mathrm{H}_{3} O^{+}\right] \\
p H=-\log [0.159 \mathrm{M}] \\
p H=0.799
\end{gathered}
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Example 4: What is the hydronium and hydroxide ion concentration of a solution with a pH of 2.42 ?

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\begin{gathered}
{\left[\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}\right]=10^{-p H}=10^{-2.42}=0.0038 \mathrm{M}} \\
{\left[\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}\right]\left[\mathrm{OH}^{-}\right]=1.00 \times 10^{-14}} \\
{\left[\mathrm{OH}^{-}\right]=\frac{1.00 \times 10^{-14}}{\left[\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}\right]}=\frac{1.00 \times 10^{-14}}{0.0038 \mathrm{M}}=2.63 \times 10^{-12} \mathrm{M}}
\end{gathered}
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## pOH - Power of OH

| $\begin{gathered} p O H=-\log \left[\mathrm{OH}^{-}\right] \\ {\left[\mathrm{OH}^{-}\right]=10^{-p O H}} \end{gathered}$ | Since: $\left[\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}\right]\left[\mathrm{OH}^{-}\right]=1.00 \times 10^{-14}$ <br> Can take the "log" of both sides... $\begin{aligned} -\log \left(\left[\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}\right]\left[\mathrm{OH}^{-}\right]\right) & =-\log \left(1.00 \times 10^{-14}\right) \\ \text { And }-\log \left(\left[\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}\right]\left[\mathrm{OH}^{-}\right]\right) & =-\log \left[\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}\right]+-\log \left[\mathrm{OH}^{-}\right] \end{aligned}$ <br> Therefore... $\mathrm{pH}+\mathrm{pOH}=14$ |
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Example 5: A solution has a pH of 5.750 . What are the hydronium and hydroxide ion concentration?

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\begin{gathered}
{\left[\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}\right]=10^{-p H}=10^{-5.750}=1.78 \times 10^{-6} \mathrm{M}} \\
p H+p O H=14 \\
p O H=14-p H=14-5.750=8.250 \\
{\left[\mathrm{OH}^{-}\right]=10^{-p O H}=10^{-8.250}=5.62 \times 10^{-9} \mathrm{M}}
\end{gathered}
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Example 6: A solution has a hydronium ion concentration of $1.95 \times 10^{-4} \mathrm{M}$. What are the $\mathrm{pH}, \mathrm{pOH}$ and [OH-] values?

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p H=-\log \left[H_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}\right]=-\log \left(1.95 \times 10^{-4} \mathrm{M}\right)=3.710
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(SAVE THIS ANSWER IN FULL!)

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\begin{gathered}
p O H=14-p H=14-3.710=10.290 \\
{\left[\mathrm{OH}^{-}\right]=10^{-p O H}=10^{-10.290}=5.13 \times 10^{-11} \mathrm{M}}
\end{gathered}
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Example 7: A solution of calcium hydroxide was created using 5.673 g of solid in 250.00 mL of solution. What is the $\mathrm{pH}, \mathrm{pOH},[\mathrm{OH}-]$ and $[\mathrm{H} 3 \mathrm{O}+$ ] values?

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\begin{gathered}
\mathrm{Ca}(\mathrm{OH})_{2} \rightarrow \mathrm{Ca}^{2+}+2 \mathrm{OH}^{-} \\
{\left[\mathrm{Ca}(\mathrm{OH})_{2}\right] \frac{\mathrm{mol}}{\mathrm{~L}}=5.673 \mathrm{~g} \times \frac{1 \mathrm{~mol}}{74.10 \mathrm{~g}} \times \frac{1}{0.25000 \mathrm{~L}}=0.3062 \mathrm{M}} \\
{\left[\mathrm{OH}^{-}\right]=\left[\mathrm{Ca}(\mathrm{OH})_{2}\right] \times \frac{2\left[\mathrm{OH}^{-}\right]}{\left[\mathrm{Ca}\left(\mathrm{OH}_{2}\right]\right.}=0.3062 \mathrm{M} \times 2=0.6125 \mathrm{M}} \\
p \mathrm{OH}=-\log \left[\mathrm{OH}^{-}\right]=-\log (0.6125)=0.2129 \\
p H=14-p \mathrm{OH}=14-0.2129=13.7871
\end{gathered}
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\left[\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}\right]=10^{-p H}=10^{-13.7871}=1.633 \times 10^{-14} \mathrm{M}
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## Chemistry 20 - Unit C - pH and pOH Practice

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1) Calculate the pH of each of the following solutions.
a) A solution of acetic acid has a hydronium ion concentration of 0.016 M .
b) A bottle of household bleach has a hydronium ion concentration of $1.0 \times 10^{-13} \mathrm{M}$.
2) Calculate the pOH of each of the following solutions.
a) A solution of sodium hydroxide has a hydroxide ion concentration of 0.105 M .
b) A solution of calcium hydroxide has a hydroxide ion concentration of $0.454 \mathrm{mmol} / \mathrm{L}$.
3) Calculate the hydronium ion concentration for each of the following pH readings.
a) 12.86
b) 5.432
4) Calculate the hydroxide ion concentration for each of the following pOH readings.
a) 13.92
b) 8.796
5) A soft drink was put on the market $[\mathrm{H}+]=1.4 \times 10^{-5} \mathrm{M}$. What is its pH ?
6) A certain brand of beer had a hydrogen ion concentration equal to $1.9 \times 10^{-5} \mathrm{~mol} / \mathrm{L}$.
i) What is the pH of this beer?
7) A solution was made by dissolving $0.837 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{Ba}(\mathrm{OH})_{2}$ in 100 ml final volume. If $\mathrm{Ba}(\mathrm{OH})_{2}$ is fully broken up into its ions, what is the pOH and the pH of this solution?
8) A sodium hydroxide solution is prepared by dissolving 6.0 g NaOH in 1.00 L of solution. Assuming that $100 \%$ dissociation occurs, what is the pOH and the pH of this solution?
9) Calculate the $\left[\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}\right],\left[\mathrm{OH}^{-}\right], \mathrm{pH}$ and pOH of these solutions;
a) $1.5 \times 10^{-4} \mathrm{M} \mathrm{KOH}$
b) A solution prepared by dissolving 0.040 g NaOH in 2.0 L of solution
c) A solution prepared by diluting 1.0 mL of 0.20 M HCl to a total volume of 5.0 L
