

**FIRST EXAM (Solutions)**

Closed book, one page of notes allowed.

Answer any 4 of the following 5 questions. Please state any additional assumptions you made, and show all work. You are welcome to use a graphical method of solution if it is appropriate.

Miscellaneous Information:

$$R = 1.987 \text{ cal/mole}^\circ\text{K} = 8.314 \text{ J/mole}^\circ\text{K}$$

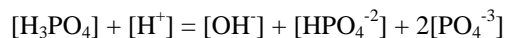
$$\text{Absolute zero} = -273.15^\circ\text{C}$$

$$1 \text{ joule} = 0.239 \text{ calories}$$

$$-20^\circ\text{C} = \text{wicked cold}$$

1. (25%) Use the graphical solution to determine the pH and complete solution composition for 1 liter of pure water to which you've added  $10^{-3.5}$  moles of  $\text{NaH}_2\text{PO}_4$ . Graph paper is attached to this exam for this purpose.

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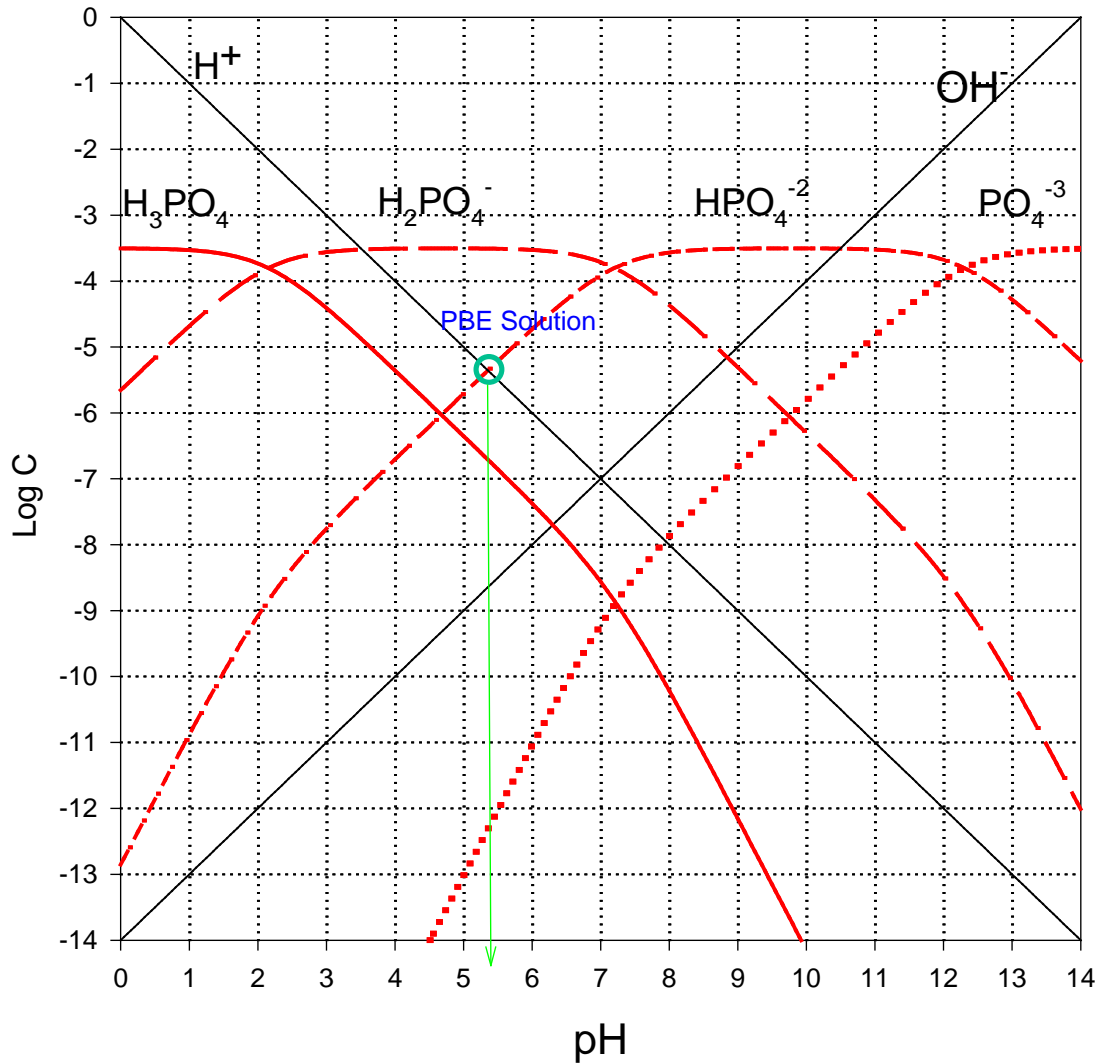


which reduces to:

$$[\text{H}^+] = [\text{HPO}_4^{-2}]$$

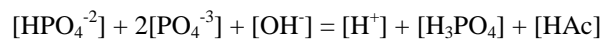
Equality (intersection) occurs at **pH ~ 5.35**

Species	pC	C (Molar)
$\text{H}^+$	5.35	$4.5 \times 10^{-6}$
$\text{OH}^-$	8.65	$2.2 \times 10^{-9}$
$\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4$	6.7	$2.0 \times 10^{-9}$
$\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$	3.5	$3.1 \times 10^{-4}$
$\text{HPO}_4^{-2}$	5.35	$4.5 \times 10^{-6}$
$\text{PO}_4^{-3}$	12.3	$4.9 \times 10^{-13}$
$\text{Na}^+$	3.5	$3.1 \times 10^{-4}$

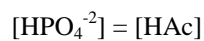


2. (25%) Determine the pH and solution composition of a mixture of  $10^{-3.5}$  moles of  $NaH_2PO_4$  plus  $10^{-3}$  moles of Sodium Acetate in 1 liter of water. Please use a graphical solution for this one too.

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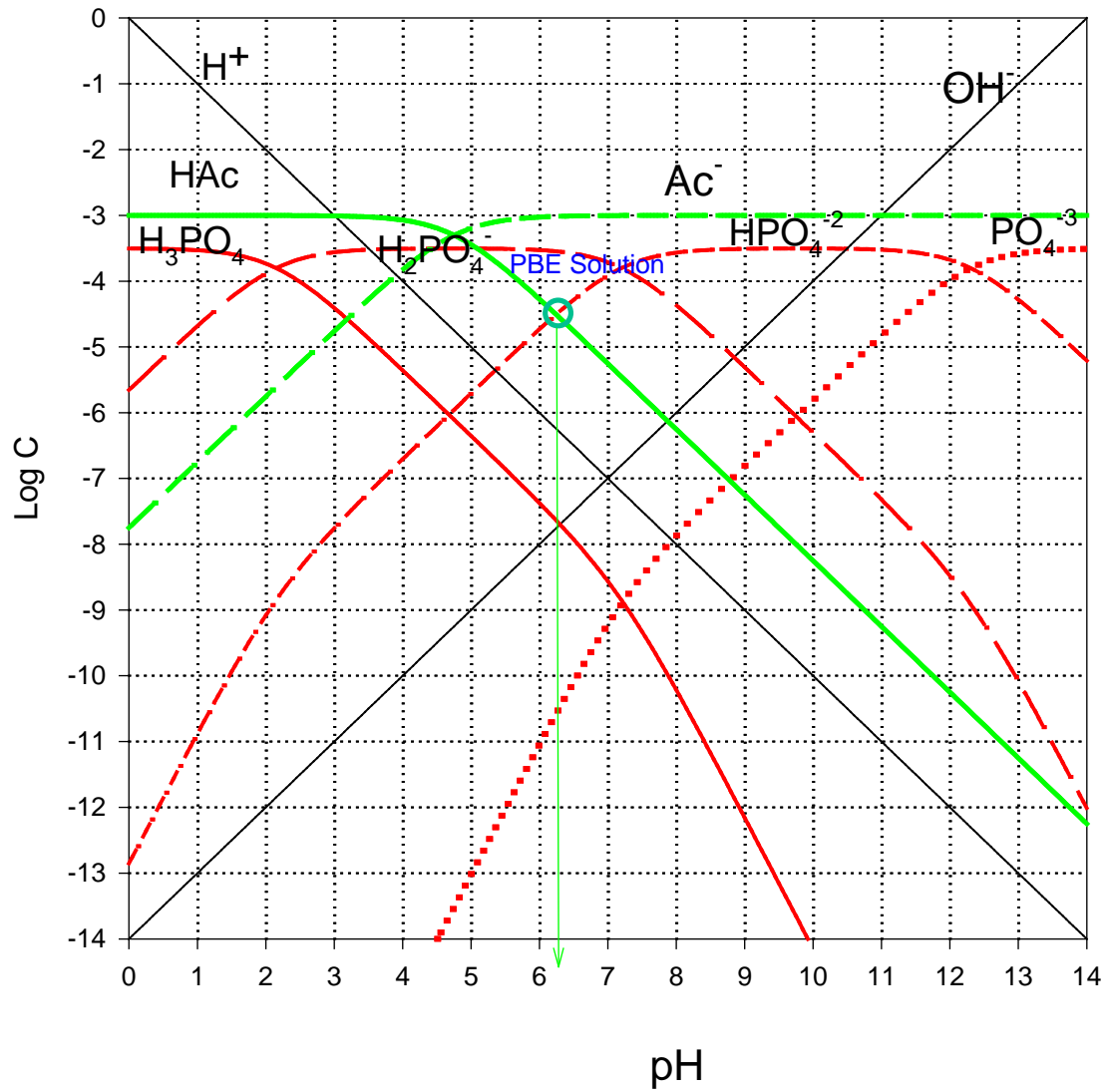
which reduces to:



Equality (intersection) occurs at **pH ~ 6.2**

Species	pC	C (Molar)
$H^+$	6.2	$6.3 \times 10^{-7}$
$OH^-$	7.8	$1.6 \times 10^{-8}$
$H_3PO_4$	7.6	$2.5 \times 10^{-8}$
$H_2PO_4^-$	3.6	$2.5 \times 10^{-4}$
$HPO_4^{2-}$	4.5	$3.2 \times 10^{-5}$
$PO_4^{3-}$	10.6	$2.5 \times 10^{-11}$
HAc	4.5	$3.2 \times 10^{-5}$
$Ac^-$	3.0	$1.0 \times 10^{-3}$
$Na^+$	2.9	$1.3 \times 10^{-3}$

Log C vs pH Diagram



3. (25%) Determine the complete solution composition of a solution of  $10^{-4.5}$  moles of Iodic Acid ( $\text{HIO}_3$ ) in 1 Liter of water, but for this one use an algebraic solution. Do this again, but this time assume you're adding only  $10^{-4.5}$  moles of the conjugate base [i.e., Sodium Iodate ( $\text{NaIO}_3$ )] in 1 Liter of water. Remember to make simplifying assumptions.

A. Make acidic solution assumption, which leads to:

$$[\text{H}^+] \approx \frac{-K_a + \sqrt{K_a^2 + 4K_a C}}{2}$$

$$[\text{H}^+] = 3.1616 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\text{pH} = 4.50001$$

but easier to make the combined acidic solution and strong acid assumption, which leads to:

$$[\text{H}^+] \approx C$$

$$[\text{H}^+] = 3.1623 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\text{pH} = 4.50000$$

B. Make basic solution assumption, which leads to:

$$[\text{OH}^-] \approx \frac{-K_b + \sqrt{K_b^2 + 4K_b C}}{2}$$

$$[\text{OH}^-] = 1.413 \times 10^{-9}$$

$$[\text{H}^+] = 7.079 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\text{pH} = 5.15$$

This is not a basic so the assumption is not good. Instead try the weak base assumption (i.e.,  $[\text{IO}_3^-] \gg [\text{HIO}_3]$ ; since the strong acid assumption worked for the conjugate acid), which leads to:

$$[\text{OH}^-] \approx \sqrt{K_b C + K_w}$$

$$[\text{OH}^-] = 1.0001 \times 10^{-7}$$

$$[\text{H}^+] = 9.999 \times 10^{-8}$$

$$\text{pH} = 7.00004$$

now check the assumption that  $[\text{IO}_3^-] \gg [\text{HIO}_3]$  at this pH (7.00004).

$$K_a = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{IO}_3^-]}{[\text{HIO}_3]}$$

$$10^{-0.8} = 10^{-7} \frac{[\text{IO}_3^-]}{[\text{HIO}_3]}$$

$$\frac{[\text{IO}_3^-]}{[\text{HIO}_3]} = 10^{+6.2}$$

Yes, the assumption is good

4. (25%) Repeat problem #1, but this time add 0.1 M of NaCl as well as the  $10^{-3.5}$  moles of  $\text{NaH}_2\text{PO}_4$  to your liter of water

The pH shift pertains essentially to the second pK only. At  $I=0$ ,  $\text{p}K_2=7.2$ . so, now calculate its value at  $I = 0.01$ .

$$K_2 = \frac{\{H^+\}\{HA^{-2}\}}{\{H_2A^-\}} = \frac{[H^+] \gamma_{H^+} [HA^{-2}] \gamma_{HA^{-2}}}{[H_2A^-] \gamma_{H_2A^-}} = \frac{\{H^+\}\{HA^{-2}\} \gamma_{HA^{-2}}}{[H_2A^-] \gamma_{H_2A^-}}$$

$$= \left( \frac{\{H^+\}\{A^-\}}{[HA]} \right) \left( \frac{\gamma_{HA^{-2}}}{\gamma_{H_2A^-}} \right)$$

and

$$K_2' \equiv \left( \frac{\{H^+\}\{A^-\}}{[HA]} \right) = \frac{K_2}{\left( \frac{\gamma_{HA^{-2}}}{\gamma_{H_2A^-}} \right)} = K_2 \left( \frac{\gamma_{H_2A^-}}{\gamma_{HA^{-2}}} \right)$$

Use the Guntelberg approximation:

$$\log f = -0.5z^2 \frac{\sqrt{I}}{1 + \sqrt{I}}$$

I =	0.1	use Guntelberg
Phosphoric acid	pK2 =	7.2 at I=0
log(fHA-2)=	-0.48051	
fHA-2 =	0.330745	
log(fH2A-)=	-0.12013	
fH2A- = fH+ =	0.758357	
pK' =	6.83962 at I =	0.1

Everything else just follows what was done in problem #1:

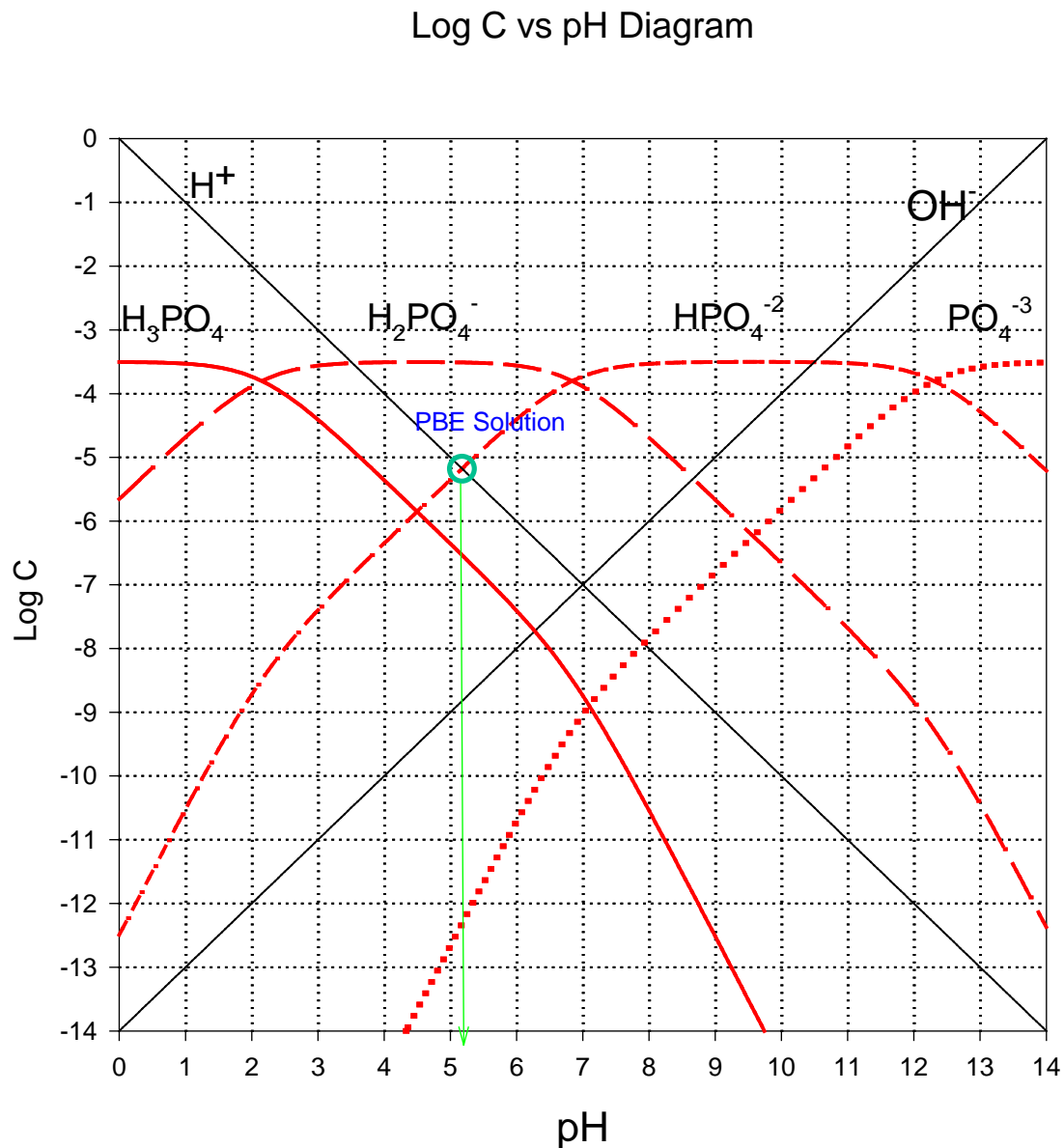
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which reduces to:



At this point you could recognize that the intersection will shift half a pH unit for each pH unit shift in the  $\text{pK}_2$ . So for a 0.36 pH unit drop in the  $\text{pK}_2$ , the intersection should drop 0.18 pH units or from about 5.35 to 5.15. You could also re-draw the original figure and it would look like this:



Equality (intersection) occurs at **pH ~ 5.15**

You can then read off the concentrations as before.

Strictly speaking, to get the concentrations of the two extreme phosphate species ( $\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4$  and  $\text{PO}_4^{3-}$ ) you'd need to do a similar calculation for the  $\text{pK}_1$  and the  $\text{pK}_3$  and re-graph. Also, the exact PBE would require that you calculate a new  $\text{H}^+$  line as the ideal relationship between the molar  $[\text{H}^+]$  and pH (which is related to activity, i.e.,  $\text{pH} = \{-\log a_{\text{H}^+}\}$ ) is now affected by ionic strength too.

5. (25%) True/False. Mark each one of the following statements with either a “T” or an “F”

- a.   **T**   The pH of pure water to which you add  $10^{-2}$  M  $\text{NaH}_2\text{PO}_4$  and  $10^{-2}$   $\text{Na}_2\text{HPO}_4$  is about equal to the second pKa for the phosphate system (i.e., pH ~ 7.2)
- b.   **F**   Conditional equilibrium constants are independent of ionic strength
- c.   **F**   The sum of any pKa and the pKb of its conjugate base is always 1.
- d.   **T**   pH = pKa at the mid-point of a titration
- e.   **F**   Nitric acid always completely donates its proton to the solvent it is dissolve in, regardless of the nature of that solvent
- f.   **T**   The principle of electroneutrality is always observed in aqueous solutions
- g.   **F**   Non-carbonate hardness is equal to the magnesium concentration
- h.   **F**   Increases in ionic strength have no effect on species with zero charge.
- i.   **F**   Nitrate is a very strong base in water
- j.   **F**   The value of  $\alpha_0$  plus  $\alpha_1$  must always equal 1 for any diprotic acid system.

Note the original had a typo in question a, so I accepted both T and F for this one.



Selected Acidity Constants (Aqueous Solution, 25°C, I = 0)

NAME	FORMULA	pK <sub>a</sub>
Perchloric acid	$\text{HClO}_4 = \text{H}^+ + \text{ClO}_4^-$	-7 STRONG
Hydrochloric acid	$\text{HCl} = \text{H}^+ + \text{Cl}^-$	-3
Sulfuric acid	$\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 = \text{H}^+ + \text{HSO}_4^-$	-3 (&2) ACIDS
Nitric acid	$\text{HNO}_3 = \text{H}^+ + \text{NO}_3^-$	-0
Hydronium ion	$\text{H}_3\text{O}^+ = \text{H}^+ + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	0
Trichloroacetic acid	$\text{CCl}_3\text{COOH} = \text{H}^+ + \text{CCl}_3\text{COO}^-$	0.70
Iodic acid	$\text{HIO}_3 = \text{H}^+ + \text{IO}_3^-$	0.8
Bisulfate ion	$\text{HSO}_4^- = \text{H}^+ + \text{SO}_4^{2-}$	2
Phosphoric acid	$\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4 = \text{H}^+ + \text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$	2.15 (&7.2,12.3)
o-Phthalic acid	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_4(\text{COOH})_2 = \text{H}^+ + \text{C}_6\text{H}_4(\text{COOH})\text{COO}^-$	2.89 (&5.51)
Citric acid	$\text{C}_3\text{H}_5\text{O}(\text{COOH})_3 = \text{H}^+ + \text{C}_3\text{H}_5\text{O}(\text{COOH})_2\text{COO}^-$	3.14 (&4.77,6.4)
Hydrofluoric acid	$\text{HF} = \text{H}^+ + \text{F}^-$	3.2
Aspartic acid	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_6\text{N}(\text{COOH})_2 = \text{H}^+ + \text{C}_2\text{H}_6\text{N}(\text{COOH})\text{COO}^-$	3.86 (&9.82)
m-Hydroxybenzoic acid	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_4(\text{OH})\text{COOH} = \text{H}^+ + \text{C}_6\text{H}_4(\text{OH})\text{COO}^-$	4.06 (&9.92)
p-Hydroxybenzoic acid	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_4(\text{OH})\text{COOH} = \text{H}^+ + \text{C}_6\text{H}_4(\text{OH})\text{COO}^-$	4.48 (&9.32)
Nitrous acid	$\text{HNO}_2 = \text{H}^+ + \text{NO}_2^-$	4.5
Acetic acid	$\text{CH}_3\text{COOH} = \text{H}^+ + \text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-$	4.75
Propionic acid	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{COOH} = \text{H}^+ + \text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{COO}^-$	4.87
Carbonic acid	$\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3 = \text{H}^+ + \text{HCO}_3^-$	6.35 (&10.33)
Hydrogen sulfide	$\text{H}_2\text{S} = \text{H}^+ + \text{HS}^-$	7.02 (&13.9)
Dihydrogen phosphate	$\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^- = \text{H}^+ + \text{HPO}_4^{2-}$	7.2
Hypochlorous acid	$\text{HOCl} = \text{H}^+ + \text{OCl}^-$	7.5
Boric acid	$\text{B}(\text{OH})_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{H}^+ + \text{B}(\text{OH})_4^-$	9.2 (&12.7,13.8)
Ammonium ion	$\text{NH}_4^+ = \text{H}^+ + \text{NH}_3$	9.24
Hydrocyanic acid	$\text{HCN} = \text{H}^+ + \text{CN}^-$	9.3
p-Hydroxybenzoic acid	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_4(\text{OH})\text{COO}^- = \text{H}^+ + \text{C}_6\text{H}_4(\text{O})\text{COO}^{2-}$	9.32
Phenol	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{OH} = \text{H}^+ + \text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{O}^-$	9.9
m-Hydroxybenzoic acid	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_4(\text{OH})\text{COO}^- = \text{H}^+ + \text{C}_6\text{H}_4(\text{O})\text{COO}^{2-}$	9.92
Bicarbonate ion	$\text{HCO}_3^- = \text{H}^+ + \text{CO}_3^{2-}$	10.33
Monohydrogen phosphate	$\text{HPO}_4^{2-} = \text{H}^+ + \text{PO}_4^{3-}$	12.3
Bisulfide ion	$\text{HS}^- = \text{H}^+ + \text{S}^{2-}$	13.9
Water	$\text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{H}^+ + \text{OH}^-$	14.00
Ammonia	$\text{NH}_3 = \text{H}^+ + \text{NH}_2^-$	23
Methane	$\text{CH}_4 = \text{H}^+ + \text{CH}_3^-$	34

Species	$\Delta \overline{H}_f^\circ$ kcal/mole	$\Delta \overline{G}_f^\circ$ kcal/mole
Ca <sup>+2</sup> (aq)	-129.77	-132.18
CaCO <sub>3</sub> (s), calcite	-288.45	-269.78
CaO (s)	-151.9	-144.4
C(s), graphite	0	0
CO <sub>2</sub> (g)	-94.05	-94.26
CO <sub>2</sub> (aq)	-98.69	-92.31
CH <sub>4</sub> (g)	-17.889	-12.140
H <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (aq)	-167.0	-149.00
HCO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> (aq)	-165.18	-140.31
CO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-2</sup> (aq)	-161.63	-126.22
CH <sub>3</sub> COOH	-116.79	-95.5
CH <sub>3</sub> COO <sup>-</sup> , acetate	-116.84	-89.0
H <sup>+</sup> (aq)	0	0
H <sub>2</sub> (g)	0	0
HF (aq)	-77.23	-71.63
F <sup>-</sup> (aq)	-80.15	-67.28
Fe <sup>+2</sup> (aq)	-21.0	-20.30
Fe <sup>+3</sup> (aq)	-11.4	-2.52
Fe(OH) <sub>3</sub> (s)	-197.0	-166.0
NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> (aq)	-49.372	-26.43
NH <sub>3</sub> (g)	-11.04	-3.976
NH <sub>3</sub> (aq)	-19.32	-6.37
NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup> (aq)	-31.74	-19.00
HNO <sub>3</sub> (aq)	-49.372	-26.41
O <sub>2</sub> (aq)	-3.9	3.93
O <sub>2</sub> (g)	0	0
OH <sup>-</sup> (aq)	-54.957	-37.595
H <sub>2</sub> O (g)	-57.7979	-54.6357
H <sub>2</sub> O (l)	-68.3174	-56.690
PO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-3</sup> (aq)	-305.30	-243.50
HPO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-2</sup> (aq)	-308.81	-260.34
H <sub>2</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup> (aq)	-309.82	-270.17
H <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> (aq)	-307.90	-273.08
SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-2</sup>	-216.90	-177.34
HS <sup>-</sup> (aq)	-4.22	3.01
H <sub>2</sub> S(g)	-4.815	-7.892
H <sub>2</sub> S(aq)	-9.4	-6.54

