





Acid Neutralizing Capacity

- Net deficiency of protons
 - with respect to a proton reference level
 - when the reference level is H₂CO₃, the ANC=Alkalinity

$$[ANC] = \int_{f=n}^{f=x} \beta dpH$$

- conservative, not affected by T or P
- In a monoprotic system:
 - $[ANC] = [A^-] + [OH^-] [H^+]$
 - = $C_T \alpha_1 + [OH^-] [H^+]$

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Dissolved Carbon Dioxide

- Importance
 - regulating pH in natural waters, also source of carbon for autotrophic organisms
- Sources
 - volcanism, combustion, respiration, weathering

- Sinks
 - photosynthesis, precipitation

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Major Forms of Carbon on Earth

Source	Mass, 10 ¹⁵ Kg	Percent
Geologic inorganic minerals	60,000	83%
Geologic organic minerals ^a	12,000	17%
Oceanic inorganics	40	0.056
Atmosphere	0.7	0.00097
All life on earth	0.6	0.00083

Ray, Table 3.3, pg. 37

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