



Introduction

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Course Goals

- Characterize Water quality
- Calculate solute presence at equilibrium
- Use thermodynamics to understand equilibria and if the reaction is favorable
- Understand reaction kinetics
- Describe air and water pollution
- Characterize atmosphere and its stability

Calendar

	hours	Date
Water properties and measurements	2	08/03
Reaction Equilibrium	4	15-22/03
Reaction Kinetics	2	29/03
MIDTERM 40%	2	12/04
Reaction Energetics	2	19/04
Redox reaction	2	26/04
Atmosphere stability and air pollution	2	10/05
FINAL 40%		24/05

Assignment 20%

Contacts

I am available to answer quick questions and doubts anytime.

Contact me to reserve a time if you require more time

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Water

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- Review on measurements
- Water composition and distribution
- Water properties
- Concepts of water pollution

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3. Calculate Molarity: 0.46 M

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Water density
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CAREFUL! We assume here water density of 1.00 g/mL

But sea water density is 1.025 g/mL !

Sometimes is better to just keep ppm as mg/Kg

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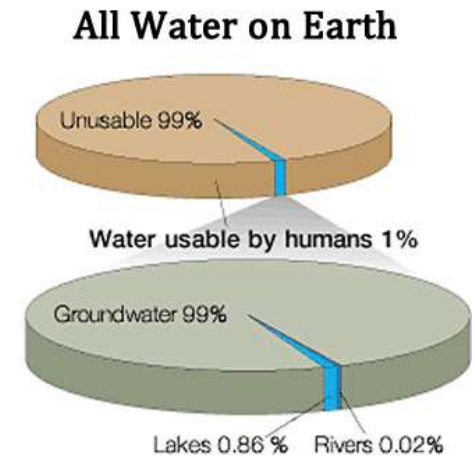
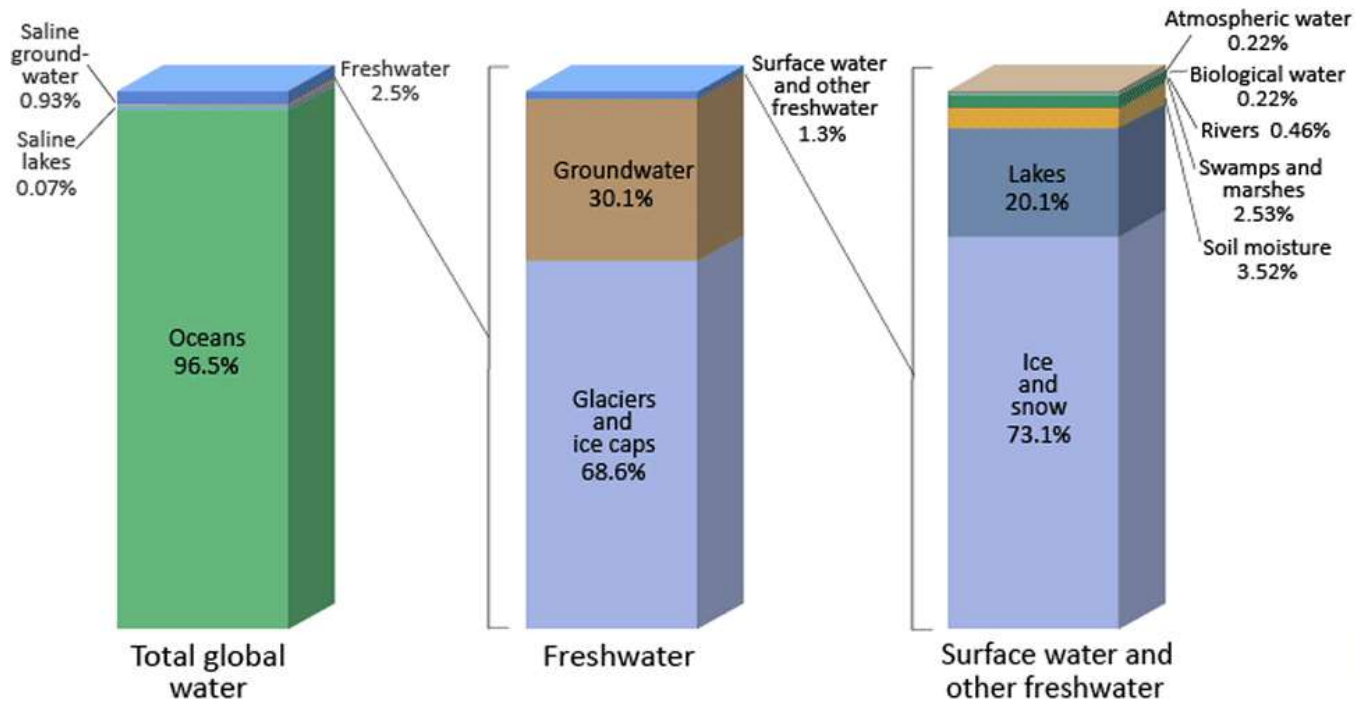
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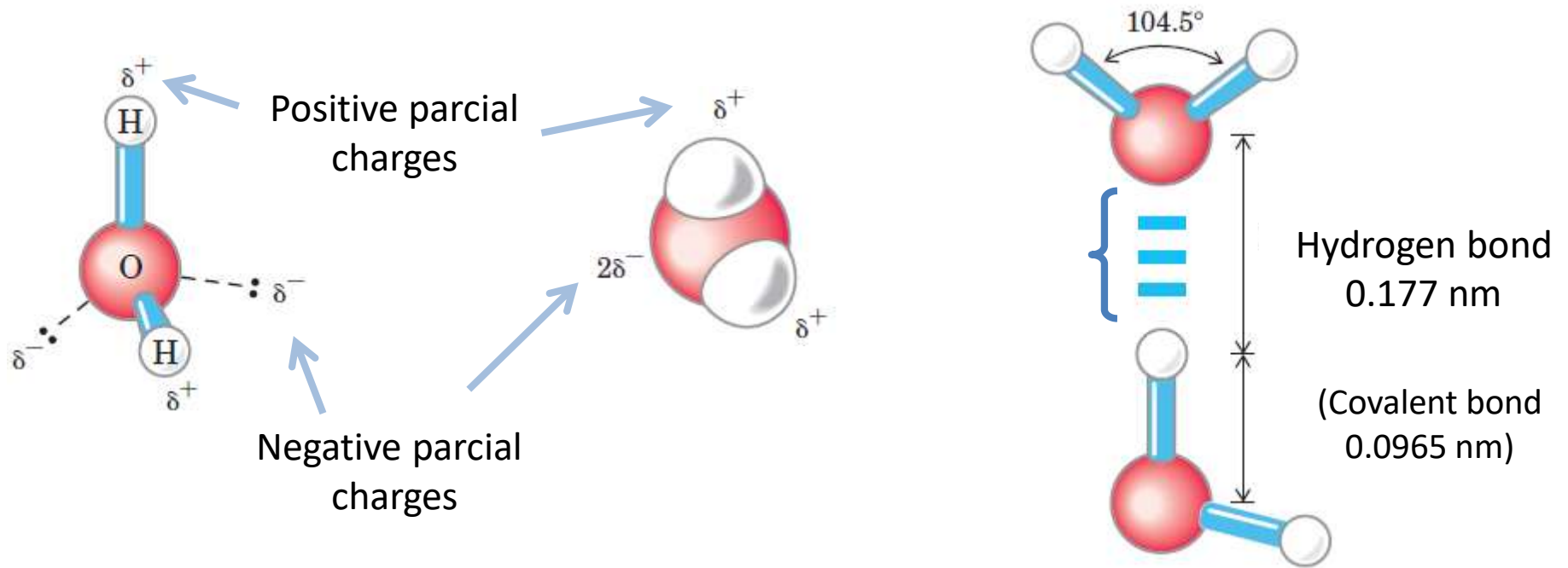
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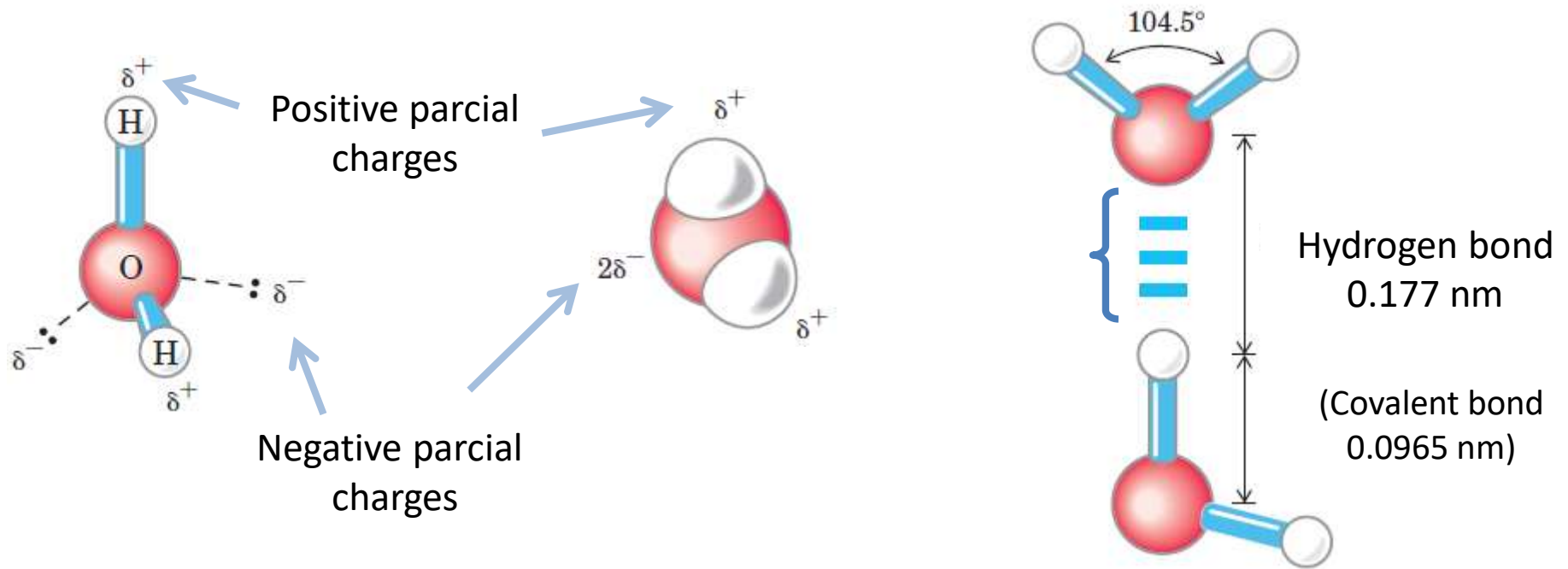
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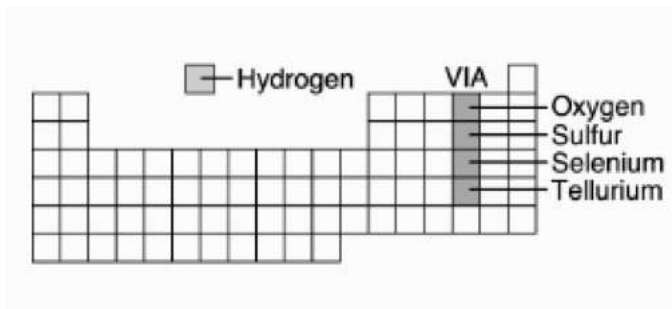
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5. Elevated surface tension

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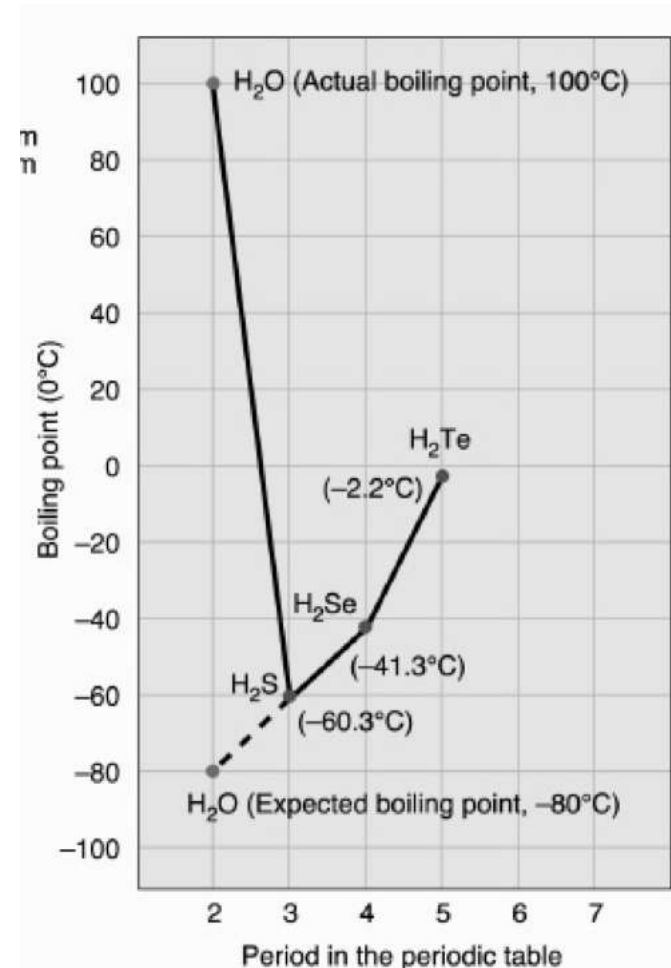
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Inside the same group the **bp** should increase.

The theoretical **bp** of water is -80 C !!!

With water, we need more energy to break **H** bond.

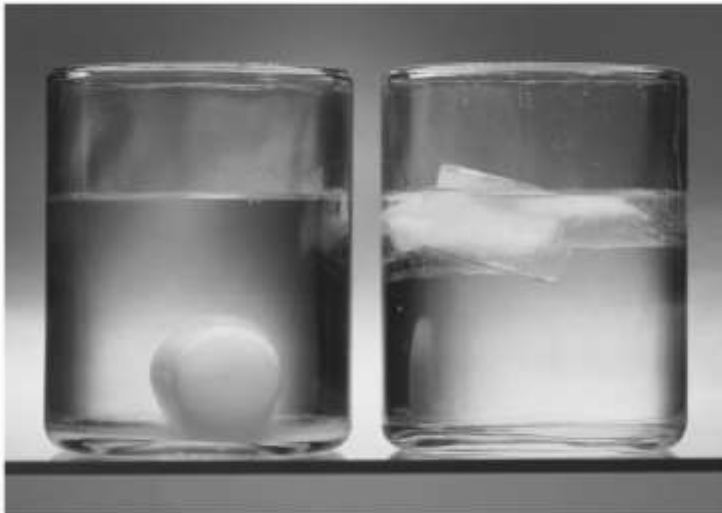


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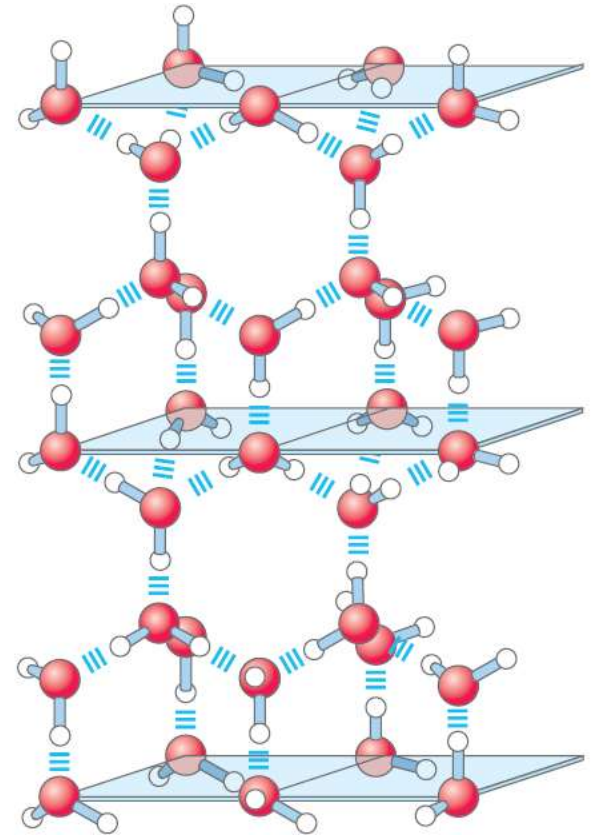
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wax



water

The presence of tridimensional Hydrogen bonds expand the ice structure, leading to less density

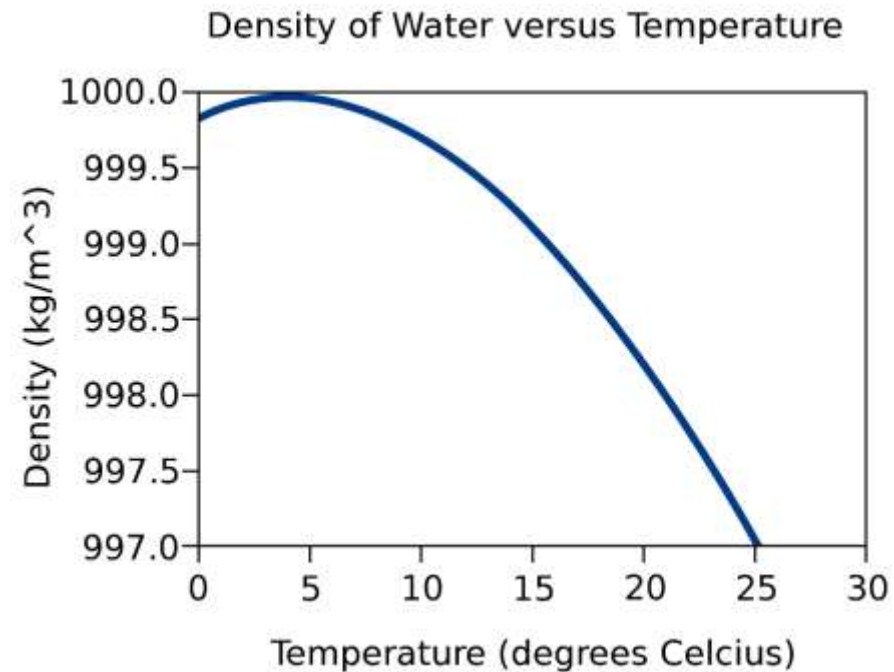
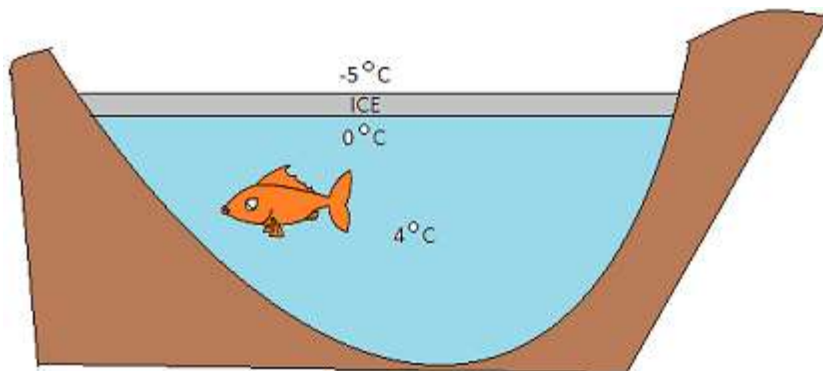


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Specific Heat (J/gC°)

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Al (s)	0.89
C	0.71
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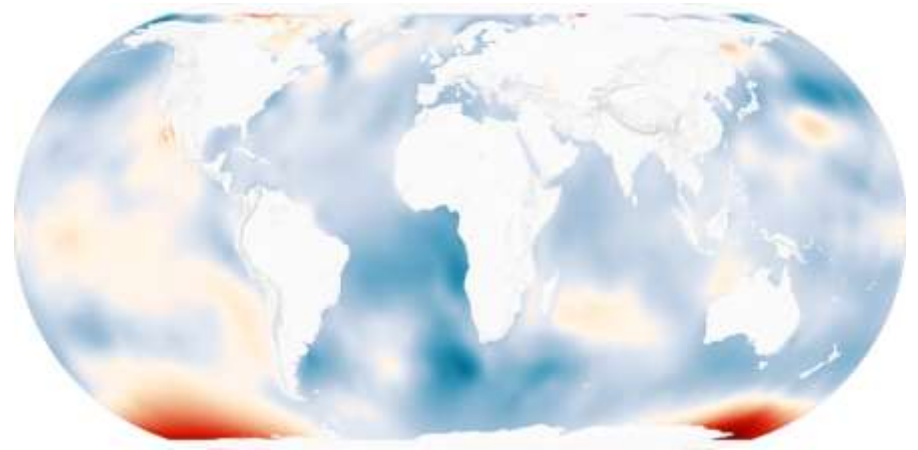
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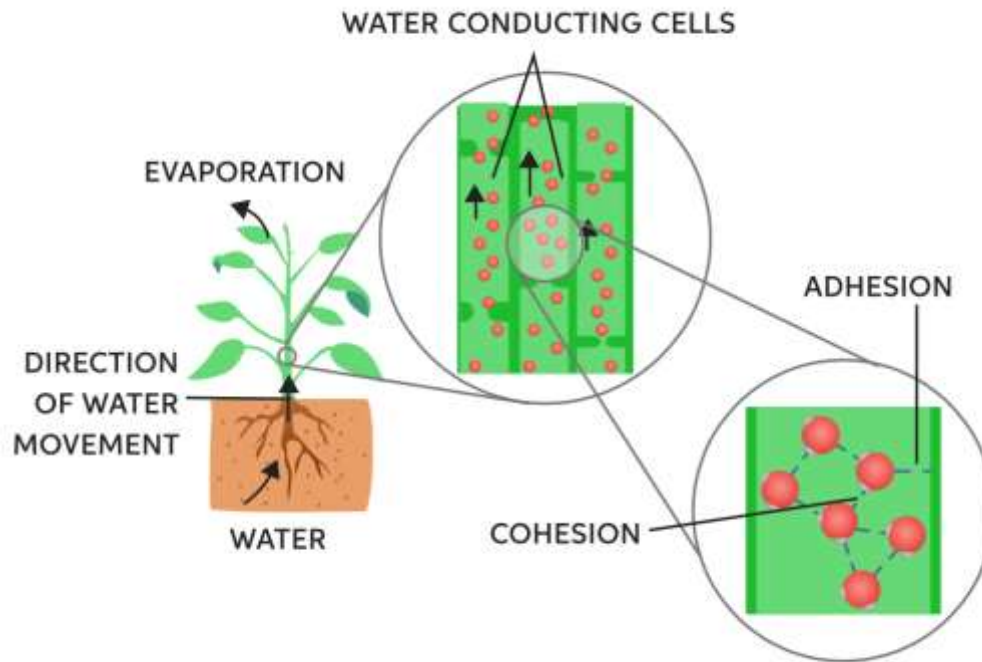


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They control the Earth's Climate!!

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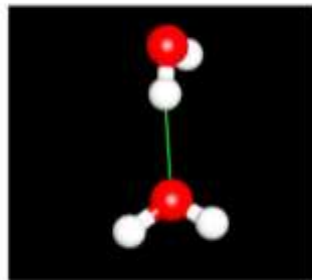
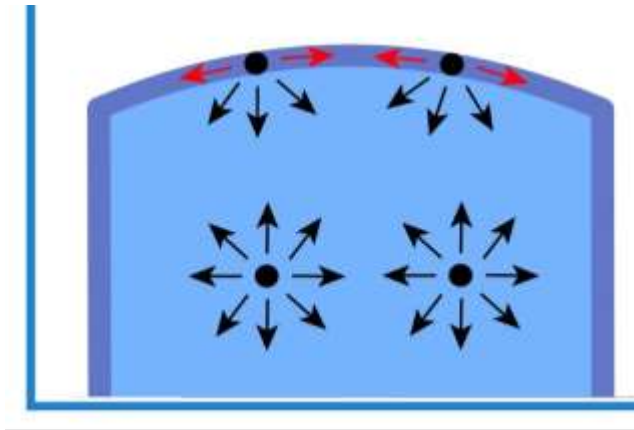
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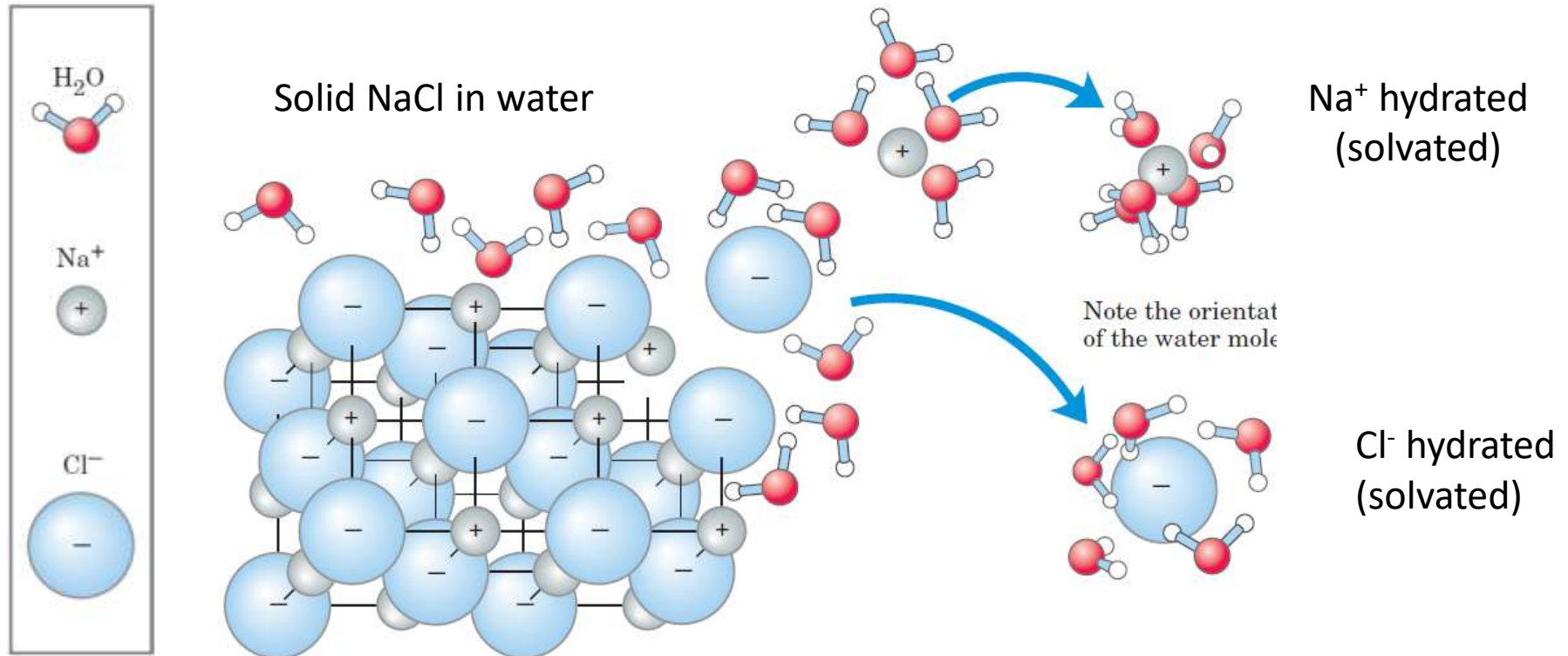
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Hydration or Solvation:



Dissolution: the sum of all the charges interaction with the water molecule is enough to break ionic bond.

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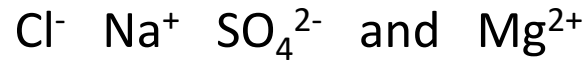
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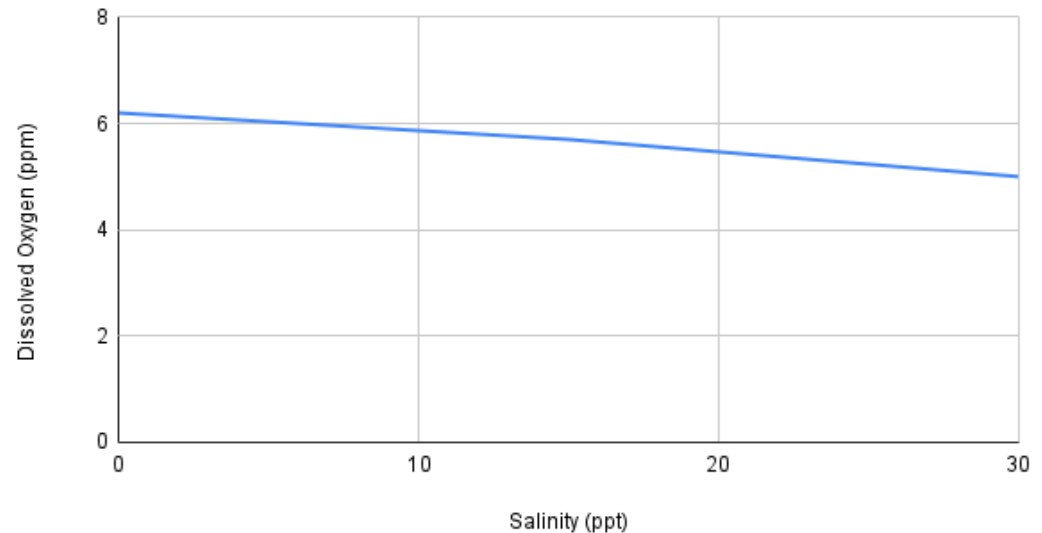
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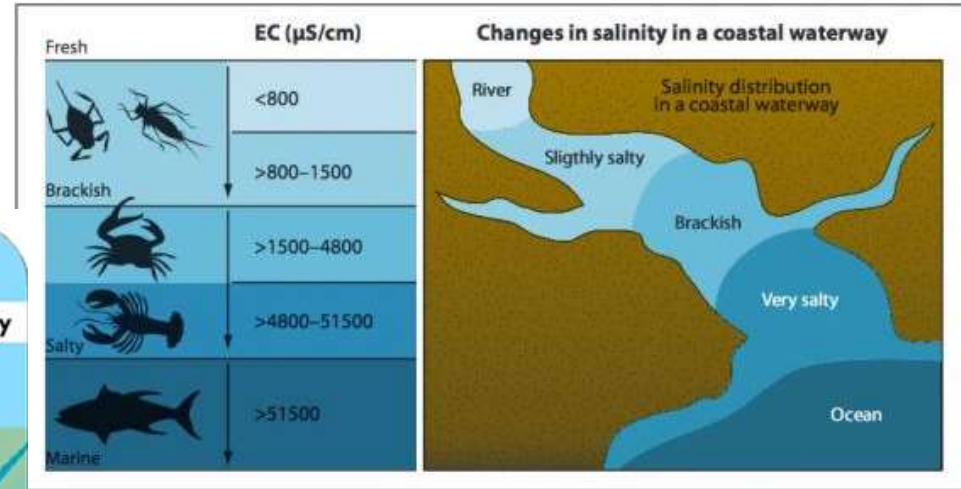
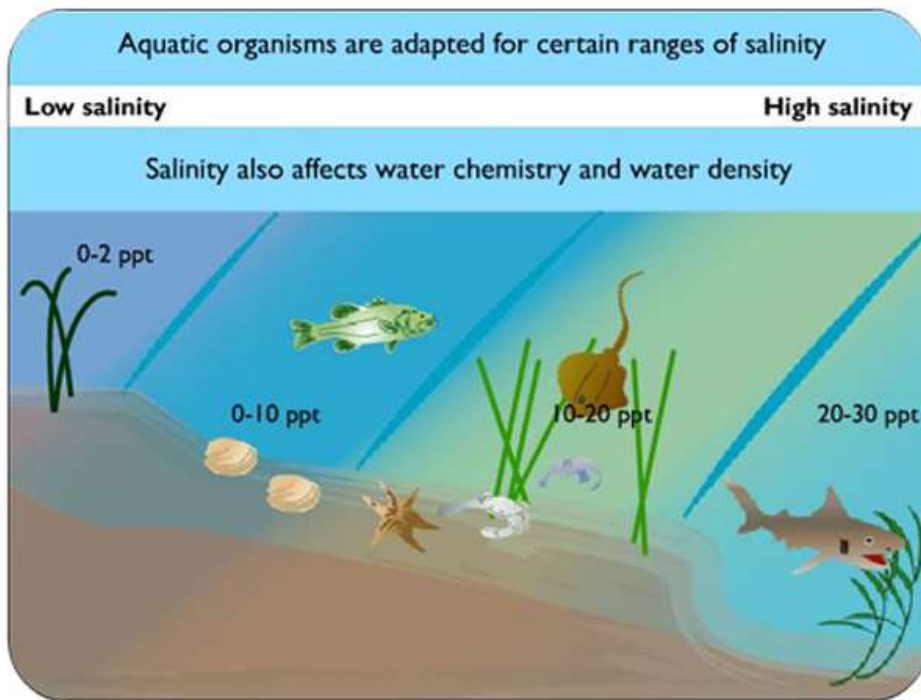
Affects other properties of seawater, such as its density and the amount of dissolved oxygen.

Dissolved Oxygen (ppm) vs. Salinity (ppt) At 95°F (35°C)



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Determines the distribution of plants and animals that live in the ocean.



The average salinity of the world's oceans is 35 ppt.

Freshwater has a salinity of <1 ppt.

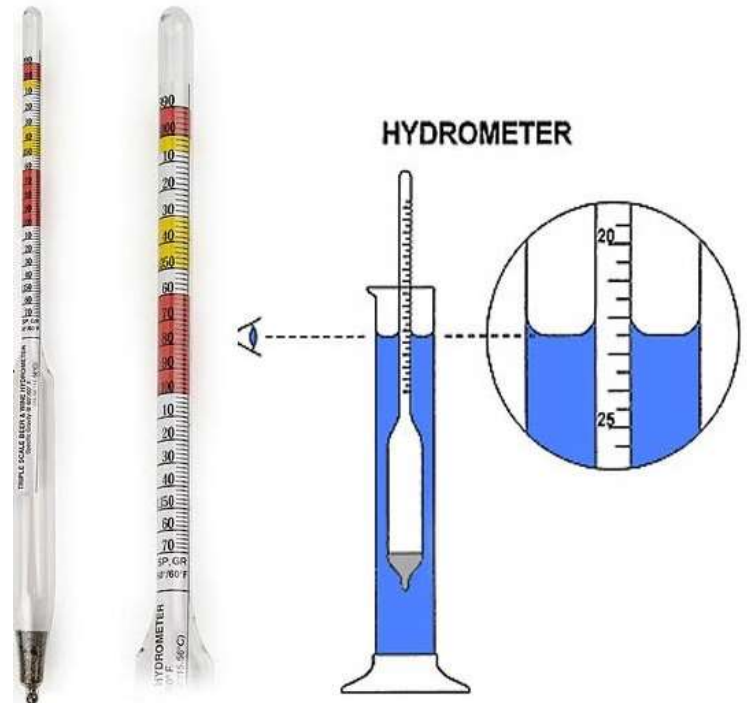
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- Silver nitrate titration method: the amount of chloride (chlorinity)

$$\text{Salinity (ppt)} = 1.80655 \times \text{Chlorinity (ppt)}$$



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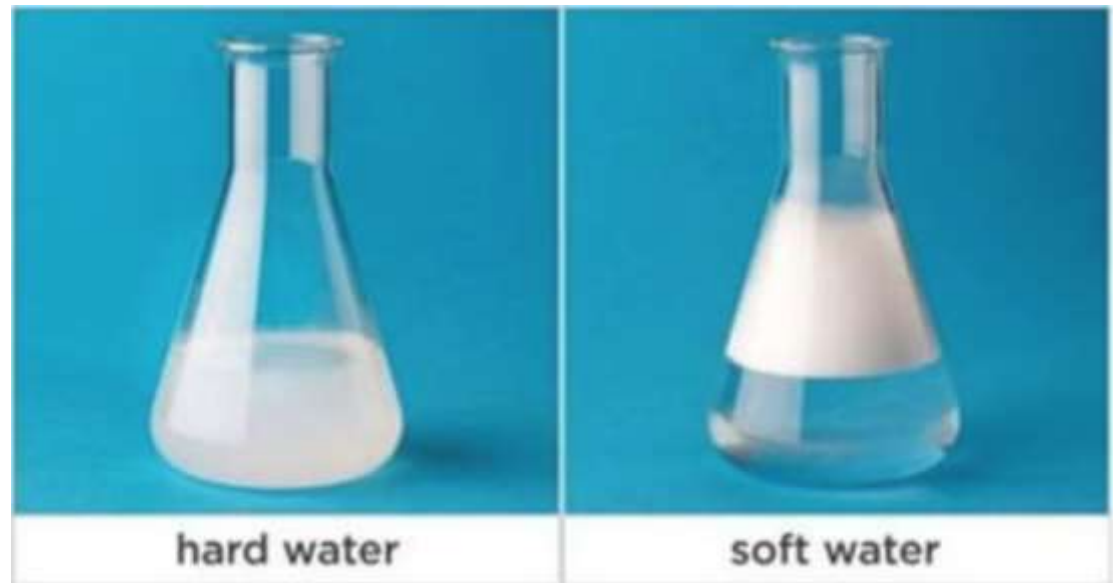
Hardness: capacity of water to form the lather of soap

It is the total concentration of calcium and magnesium ions

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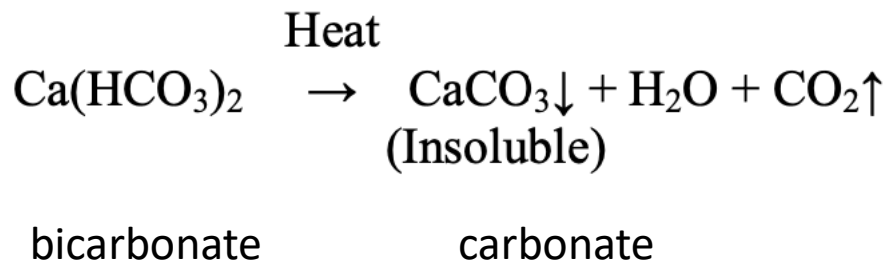
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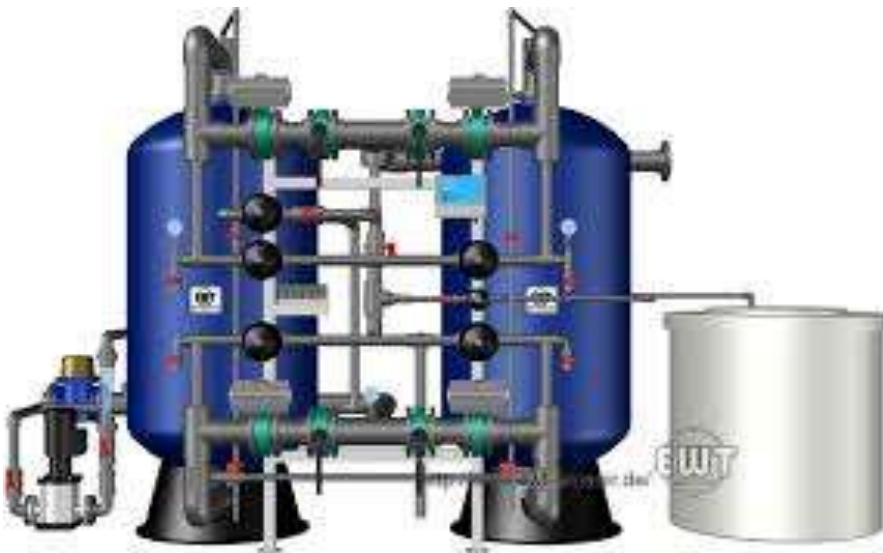
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Permanent hardness can be removed by more complex techniques:

- Ion exchange
- Distillation
- Reverse Osmosis

Occurs naturally in the water-circle:

Rain water is always soft



2. HARDNESS

How it is expressed?

As equivalent of
 CaCO_3 in ppm

Salt/ion	Molar mass	Multiplication factor for converting into equivalents of CaCO_3
$\text{Ca}(\text{HCO}_3)_2$	162	100/162
$\text{Mg}(\text{HCO}_3)_2$	146	100/146
CaSO_4	136	100/136
CaCl_2	111	100/111
MgSO_4	120	100/120
MgCl_2	95	100/95
CaCO_3	100	100/100
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OH^-	17	100/34
CO_3^{2-}	60	100/60
NaAlO_2	82	100/164
$\text{Al}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3$	342	100/114
$\text{FeSO}_4 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$	278	100/278
H^+	1	100/2
HCl	36.5	100/73

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Permanent Hardness: $\text{MgCl}_2 + \text{CaSO}_4 = 10 + 10 \text{ mg/L} = 20 \text{ mg/L}$

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2. HARDNESS

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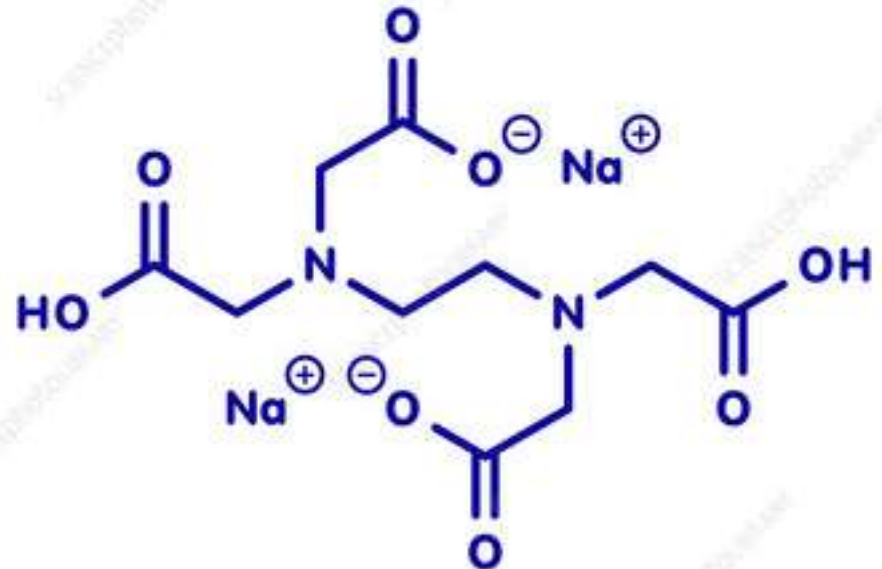
Titration with EDTA and Eriochrome Black-T (EBT)



Chelating agent:

removes up to 4 cations
from solution forming
stable complexes

Indicator: red to blue



3. ALKALINITY

Capacity to neutralize acid:

$$\text{Alkalinity} = [\text{OH}^-] + 2[\text{CO}_3^{2-}] + [\text{HCO}_3^-]$$

Presence of carbonates (CO_3^{2-}), bi-carbonates (HCO_3^-), and hydroxide (OH^-) of Ca, Mg, Na and K.

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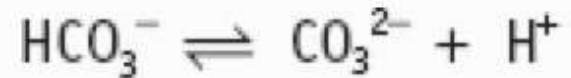
Units: - milligrams CaCO_3 per liter (ppm)
- mmol of H^+ per L

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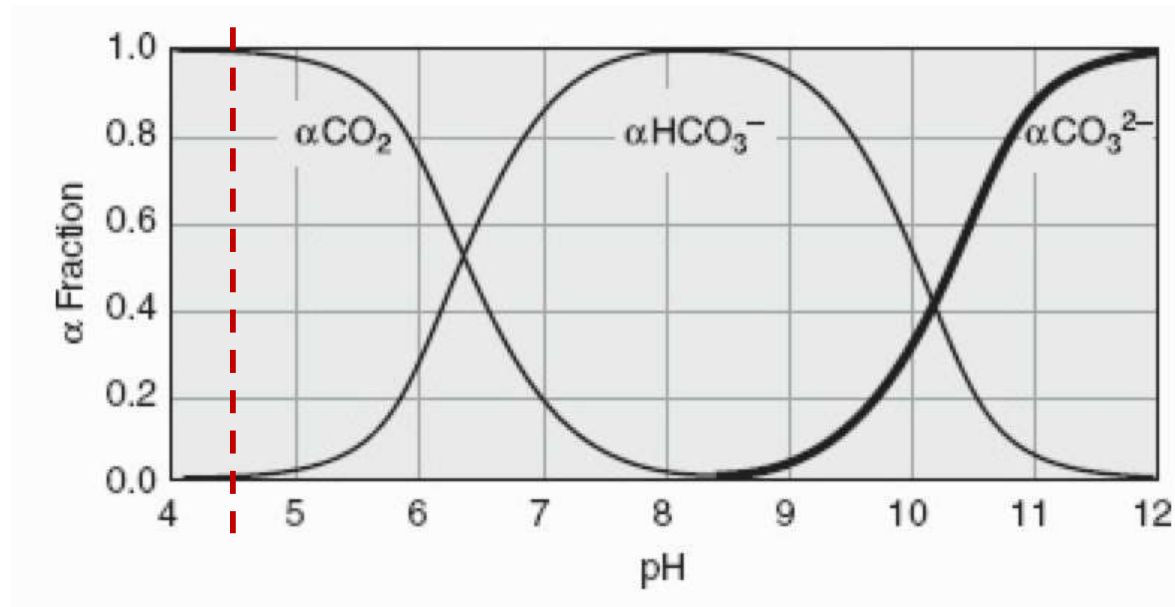
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★ 4.5 is the value where all carbonate species are neutralized.



Weak
acid



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Allow to calculate the concentration of a gas in a solution.

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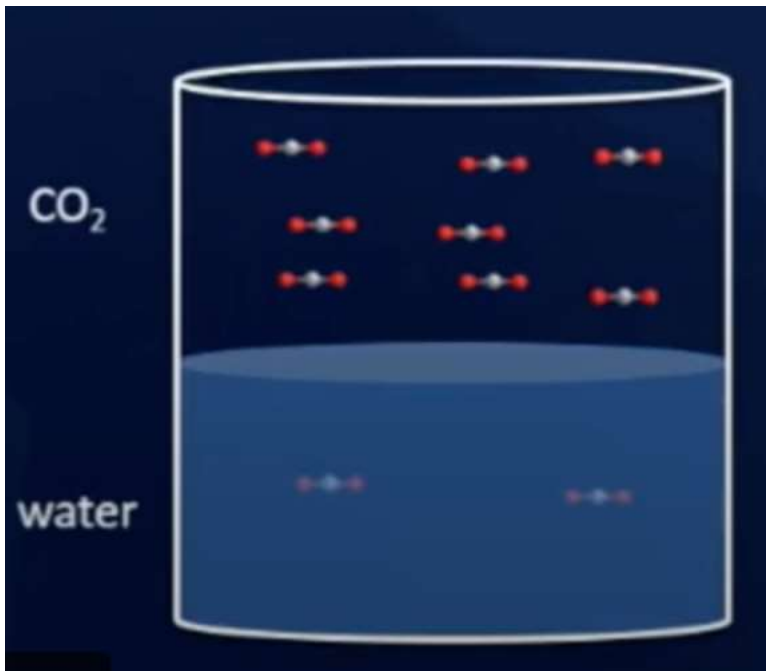
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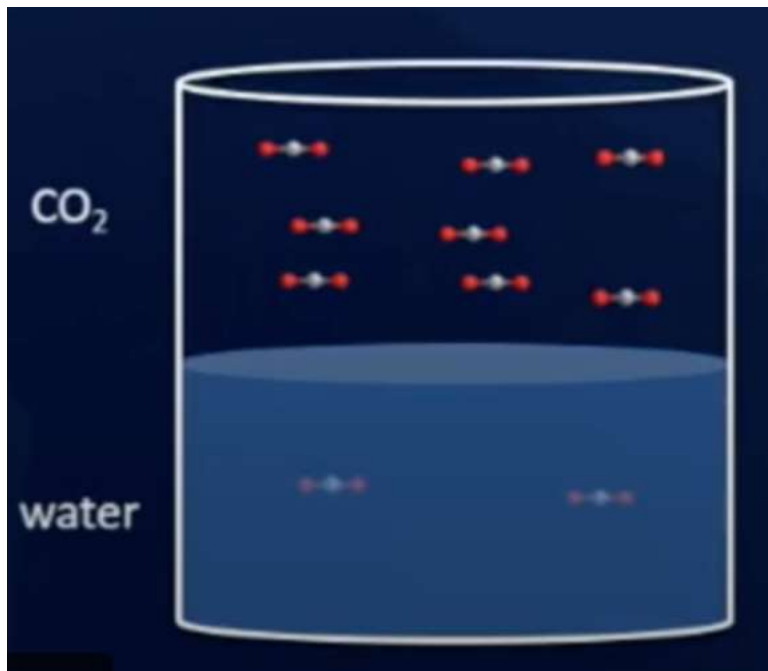
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Carbonate ions acts as buffer and reservoir for inorganic carbon. Alkalinity is a measure to see if water can support aquatic life.

Alkalinity vs. Hardness

Alkalinity = Hardness

– Ca and Mg salts are present



Alkalinity > Hardness

– presence of basic salts, Na, K along with Ca and Mg



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– neutral salts of Ca & Mg present



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8. Radioactive substances
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10. Acids