#### List of reactions given by phenols but not by alcohols

- Acidic character
- Ferric chloride
- Zinc dust

#### List of acidic properties exhibited by phenols

- Blue litmus to red
- Alkalies to their salt

#### List of acidic properties not exhibited by phenols

- No Carbonate decomposition
- No Bicarbonate decomposition

#### Acidic strength of phenol

Weak

#### Cause of weak acidic behaviour of phenol

Ionisable polar hydroxyl group

#### Expression for reaction of acidic disassociation of phenol

$$OH \qquad O\ominus \qquad \\ + H_2O \longrightarrow + H_3O^+$$

#### Reactants in reaction of acidic disassociation of phenol

- Phenol
- Water

#### Products in reaction of acidic disassociation of phenol

- · Phenoxide ion
- Hydronium ions

#### Relation of acidic strength of phenol and alcohol

Phenol is more acidic than alcohol

#### List of causes of more acidic strength of phenol compared to alcohol

- · Effect of aryl group
- · Effect of resonance of phenol
- · Effect of resonance of phenoxide
- · Effect of substituents

#### List of causes of less acidic strength of phenol compared to alcohol

- Effect of alkyl group
- · Absence of resonance

#### List of activities at acidic strength of phenol due to aryl group

- Withdraw electron by aryl
- Decrease electron density at oxygen
- Increase polarity between oxygen and hydrogen

#### List of activities at acidic strength of alcohol due to alkyl group

- · Push electron by alkyl
- · Increase electron density at oxygen
- · Decrease polarity between oxygen and hydrogen

#### Representation of resonance structure of phenol

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- · Shifting of lone pairs of electron across the ring
- More electron density at ortho and para position

#### Representation of resonance structure of phenoxide ion

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- · Shifting of negatiave charge as electron gained by oxygen across the ring
- More electron density at ortho and para position

#### Type of charge developed by oxygen atom at resonance structure of phenol

Partial positive

# Type of charge developed by carbons at ortho and para position at resonance structure of phenol

Partial negative

#### Effect of electron withdrawing substituents at acidic strength of phenol

Increases

#### Effect of electron releasing substituents at acidic strength of phenol

Decreases

#### List of electron withdrawing groups as substituents in phenol

- Nitro unit
- Cyanide
- Halogen

#### List of electron releasing groups as substituents in phenol

- Alkyl
- Alkoxy
- Amino
- Hydroxy

#### Reactants at reaction of phenol with ferric chloride

- Enols like phenols
- Ferric chloride

#### Products at reaction of phenol with ferric chloride

Water soluble coloured complexes

## Range of colour of water soluble coloured complex product on reaction of phenol with ferric chloride

Voilet to Red including Green Blue

#### **Expression for reaction of phenol with zinc dust**

$$\begin{array}{c|c} OH \\ \\ + Zn \xrightarrow{\triangle} \\ \end{array} + ZnO \\$$

#### Reactants for reaction of phenol with zinc dust

- Phenol
- Zinc dust

## Products for reaction of phenol with zinc dust

- · Aromatic hydro carbon
- Zinc oxide

## Condition for reaction of phenol with zinc dust

Heat