

CHAPTER 6	Calculating pH	BLM 6.3.4
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1. What is the pH of the following solutions given their hydronium ion concentrations?

(a) $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+(\text{aq})] = 5.32 \times 10^{-7} \text{ mol/L}$

(b) $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+(\text{aq})] = 6.1 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol/L}$

(c) $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+(\text{aq})] = 2.679 \times 10^{-14} \text{ mol/L}$

(d) $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+(\text{aq})] = 0.23 \text{ mol/L}$

2. Which of the above solutions would be considered acidic?

3. Fill in the following chart:

$[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+(\text{aq})] \text{ (mol/L)}$	pH
1.37×10^{-2}	
2.38×10^{-5}	
2.38×10^{-6}	
1.00×10^{-7}	
3.45×10^{-9}	
3.45×10^{-10}	
3.45×10^{-11}	
5.33×10^{-12}	

4. Notice in the chart that the concentration of $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+(\text{aq})$ is continually decreasing. What do you notice about the pH values?

5. Generalize what happens to pH as acidity decreases.

6. What do you think happens to pH as basicity decreases?

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7. Find some spots on the table when the pH increases by exactly 1 pH unit. What do you notice about the change in concentration of hydronium ions at these points?

8. Find a spot on the table when the pH increases by exactly 2 pH units. What do you notice about the change in concentration of hydronium ions at these points?

9. If a very acidic solution is diluted by a factor of 1000, what change would you expect in its pH?

10. What is the pH of the following solutions?
 - (a) a 0.563 mol/L solution of nitric acid, $\text{HNO}_3(\text{aq})$

 - (b) a 2.3×10^{-4} mol/L solution of hydroiodic acid, $\text{HI}(\text{aq})$

 - (c) a 9.342×10^{-5} mol/L solution of perchloric acid, $\text{HClO}_4(\text{aq})$

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11. What is the pH of a solution made by the following methods?

(a) dissolving 3.62 g of pure hydrogen perchlorate, $\text{HClO}_4(\text{aq})$, in 2.0 L of water

(b) dissolving 2.357 g of pure hydrobromic acid, $\text{HBr}(\text{aq})$, in 50.0 L of water

(c) dissolving 8 μg of pure nitric acid, $\text{HNO}_3(\text{aq})$, in 20.0 mL of water