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Chapter 2 – Polar Covalent Bonds; Acids and Bases

Chapter Outline

- I. Polar covalent bonds (Sections 2.1–2.3).
 - A. Electronegativity (Section 2.1).
 - 1. Although some bonds are totally ionic and some are totally covalent, reschemical bonds are polar covalent bonds.

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- a. In these bonds, electrons are attracted to one atom more than
- 2. Bond polarity is due to differences in electronegativity (EN).
 - a. Elements on the right side of the periodic table are more electronega elements on the left side.
 - b. Carbon has an EN of 2.5.
 - c. Elements with EN > 2.5 are more electronegative to be upon.
 - d. Elements with EN < 2.5 are less electronecative than
- 3. The difference in EN between two elements and ed to prove the olarity of a bond.
 - a. If $\Delta EN < 0.4$, a bond is nonpola explent.
 - b. If ΔEN is between 0.4 and 2.0, a be polypoint ovalent.
 - c. If $\Delta EN > 2.0$, a bond is i
 - d. The symbols $\Delta +$ and Δ are and d to indicate the trial charges.
 - e. A crossed arrow is used in bond pol
 - i. The tail of the arrow lect por, and the head of the arrow is electronrich.
- 4. Electrostatic petial maps are so used show electron-rich (red) and electronpoor and so the petial maps are used as the source of the sour
- 5. An inductive and is an a lity to polarize a bond.
- B. Dipole moment (Set
 - 1. Dipole moment is the asure of a molecule's overall polarity.

moment $(\mu) = Q$, where Q = charge and r = distance between charges.

 D_{TP} ont is measured in debyes (D).

2.2).

- 3. pole more be used to measure charge separation.
- 4. Iter that ammonia have large values of D; methane and ethane have D = 0.
- C. Forn large (Section 2.3).
 - 1. Four charge (FC) indicates electron "ownership" in a molecule.

(FC) # of valence	[<u># of bonding electrons</u>]	[# nonbonding]
electrons	2	electrons
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- II. Resence (Sections 2.4–2.6).
 - Chemical structures and resonance (Section 2.4).
 - 1. Some molecules (acetate ion, for example) can be drawn as two (or more) different electron-dot structures.
 - a. These structures are called resonance structures.

- b. The true structure of the molecule is intermediate between the resonance structures.
- c. The true structure is called a resonance hybrid.
- Resonance structures differ only in the placement of *π* and nonbonding eleca.
 All atoms occupy the same positions.
- 3. Resonance is an important concept in organic chemistry.
- B. Rules for resonance forms (Section 2.5).
 - 1. Individual resonance forms are imaginary, not real.
 - 2. Resonance forms differ only in the placement of their π conbonding electrons.
 - a. A curved arrow is used to indicate the movement of electron ot atoms.
 - 3. Different resonance forms of a molecule don't have to be equival
 - a. If resonance forms are nonequivalent, the structure actual consumption of the structure actual construction of the structure of the structu
 - 4. Resonance forms must obey normal rules of ency.
 - 5. The resonance hybrid is more stable than any induation on ance form.
- C. A useful technique for drawing resonance forms (Section 6).
 - 1. Any three-atom grouping with a reaction bond adjace on a nonbonding *p* orbital has two resonance forms.
 - 2. One atom in the grouping has a long echange ir, a vacab orbital or a single electron.
- 3. By recognizing these three-atom piece resonals forms can be generated.

III. Acids and bases (Section

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- A. Brønsted–Lowry defin
 - 1. A Brønsted–Lowry achter ates an H⁺hor, a Brønsted–Lowry base accepts H⁺.
 - The product that results when base gains H⁺ is the conjugate acid of the base; the set that results when acid loses H⁺ is the conjugate base of the acid.
 Water and the set of the base.
- B. Acid and e streng. 2.8-2.10).
 - 1. A strol cid r as almost completely with water (Section 2.8).

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- 2. The stream T an acid in water is indicated by K_a , the acidity constant.
- 3. Strong admave large acidity constants, and weaker acids have smaller acidity constants.
 - a is **E** mally used to express acid strength.
 - =-log K_{a}
 - trong acid has a small pK_a , and a weak acid has a large pK_a .
 - The conjugate base of a strong acid is a weak base, and the conjugate base of a weak acid is a strong base.
- 5. Predicting acid–base reactions from pK_a (Section 2.9).
 - a. An acid with a low pK_a (stronger acid) reacts with the conjugate base of an acid with a high pK_a (stronger base).
 - b. In other words, the products of an acid–base reaction are more stable than the reactants.

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- 6. Organic acids and organic bases (Section 2.10).
 - a. There are two main types of organic acids:
 - Acids that contain hydrogen bonded to oxygen. i.
 - ii. Acids that have hydrogen bonded to the carbon next to a C_z
 - b. The main type of organic base contains a nitrogen atom with
- C. Lewis acids and bases (Section 2.11).
 - 1. A Lewis acid accepts an electron pair.
 - a. A Lewis acid may have either a vacant low-energy orbital or a polar be hydrogen.
 - b. Examples include metal cations, halogen acids, g compounds and transition-metal compounds.
 - 2. A Lewis base has a pair of nonbonding ele
 - a. Most oxygen- and nitrogen-cop compou Lewis bases. ing org
 - sic site. b. Many organic Lewis bases have e than one
 - om a Lewis base to a Lewis acid. 3. A curved arrow shows the movement ctror
- IV. Noncovalent interactions in molecul (Section
 - A. Dipole-dipole interactions oc een polar ules as a result of electrostatic interactions among dipoles.
 - 1. These interactions may be e r à e or repulsive.
 - 2. The attractive geometry is lo nd predominates. in en
 - iging electron distribution within B. Dispersion force built from the stantly molecules.
 - 1. These force but their cumulative effect may be important. rans
 - C. Hydrogen bonds.

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- tween a hydrogen bonded to an electronegative atom and an 1. Hydrogen bonds fo nshared electron on another electronegative atom.
 - ads are extremely important in living organisms.
- ду 3 s dissolve in water because they are capable of forming ydrophi[,] gen bonds.
 - abic substances don't form hydrogen bonds and usually don't dissolve in water.

Solutions to Problems



2.4 In an electrostatic potential map, the color red indicates regions of a molecule that are electron-rich. The map shows that chlorine is the most electronegative atom in chloromethane, and the direction of polarity of the C–Cl bond is:



Formal charge $(FC) =$	# of valence	[<u># of bonding electrons</u>]	[# nonbonding]
	electrons	2	electrons

(a)

$$H_2C = N = N: = H:C::N::N:$$
For carbon: FC = $4 - \frac{8}{2} - 0 = 0$
For nitrogen 1: FC = $5 - \frac{8}{2} - 0 = +1$
For nitrogen 2: FC = $5 - \frac{4}{2} - 4 = -1$

Remember: Valence electrons are the electrons characteristic of a specific element. Bonding electrons are those electrons involved in bonding to other atoms. Nonbonding electrons are those electrons in lone pairs.

(b)

$$H_{3}C-C\equiv N-\overset{1}{\odot}:=\overset{1}{H}\overset{H}{:}\overset{2}{C}:\overset{2}{:}:N:\overset{1}{\odot}:$$

For carbon 1: FC =
$$4 - \frac{8}{2} - 0 = 0$$

For carbon 2: FC = $4 - \frac{8}{2} - 0 = 0$
For nitrogen : FC = $5 - \frac{8}{2} - 0 = +1$
For oxygen: FC = $6 - \frac{2}{2} - 6 = -1$

(c)

$$H_3C - N \equiv C$$
: = $H : C : N : :: C : H$
For carbon 1: FC = $4 - \frac{8}{2} - 0 = 0$



For carbon 1:
$$FC = 4 - \frac{8}{2} - 0 = 0$$

For carbon 2: $FC = 4 - \frac{6}{2} - 2 = -1$
For nitrogen : $FC = 5 - \frac{8}{2} - 0 = +1$

2.8 Formal charge (FC) = $\begin{bmatrix} \# \text{ of valence} \\ electrons \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \# \text{ of bonding electrons} \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \# \text{ nonbonding} \\ electrons \end{bmatrix}$ $\begin{bmatrix} H & \vdots \\ 0 \vdots \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ H - C - 0 - P - 0 \vdots \\ H & \vdots \\ H & \vdots \\ 0 \vdots \end{bmatrix}^{2-}$ Methyl phosphate For oxygen 1: FC = $6 - \frac{4}{2} - 4 = 0$ For oxygen 2: FC = $6 - \frac{4}{2} - 4 = 0$ For oxygen 3 : FC = $6 - \frac{2}{2} - 6 = -1$ For oxygen 4: FC = $6 - \frac{2}{2} - 6 = -1$ 1, and oxygen atoms 1 and 2 have a Oxygen atoms 3 and 4 each have remain characteristics formal charge of 0. 2.9 Try to locate the three-atom group st present in resonance forms. These two structures represen ms. The three-atom grouping (C–C (a) sonan double bond l on adjacent v nt p orb. a) is pictured on the right. res represent different compounds, not resonance structures. hese (b)a compared by a multiple bond next to an atom with a p2.10 Look thr orbita ange the positions of the bond and the electrons in the p orbital to draw the orm of each grouping. resonat (a) Me phosphate anion has 3 three-atom groupings and thus has 3 resonance forms.

Recall from Chapter 1 that phosphorus, a third-row element, can form more than four covalent bonds



2.11 When an acid loses a proton, the product is the conjugate base of the acid. When a base gains a proton, the product is the conjugate acid of the base.

H-NO3	+	:NH ₃	→	NO_3^-	+	NH_4^+
Acid		Base		Conjuga base	te	Conjugate acid

- **2.12** Recall from Section 2.8 that a stronger acid has a smaller pK_a and a weaker acid has a larger pK_a . Accordingly, phenylalanine ($pK_a = 1.83$) is a stronger acid than tryptophan ($pK_a = 2.83$).
- **2.13** HO–H is a stronger acid than H_2N –H. Since H_2N^- is a stronger base than HO⁻, the conjugate acid of H_2N^- (H_2N –H) is a weaker acid than the conjugate acid of HO⁻ (HO–H).
- 2.14 Use Table 2.3 to find the strength of each acid. A reaction takes place as written if the



stronger acid, and the above reaction will not take place to a significant extent in them direction written.

- more basic (red) Imidazole H most acidic (blue) Н (b) N+ Н Н Н Н Н 5 : N Н N Ν H, Н H B 2.19 ĊH3 CH3 CH₃ CH2OH H₃C сн₂он H. HO* only one -OH group CH₃ several -OH groups HO * * OH * = polar group Vitamin A Vitamin C oluble (hydrophilic) because it has several polar –OH groups that can itamin C is form hydrogen ds with water. Vitamin A is fat-soluble (hydrophobic) because most of its atoms can't hydrogen bonds with water. mistry ⊿ng 2.20 Naphth e has three resonance forms.
- **2.18** (a) The nitrogen on the left is more electron-rich and more basic. The indicated hydrogen is most electron-poor (bluest) and is most acidic.

2.21



2.22 Electrostatic potential maps show that the electron-rich regions of the cis isomer lie on the same side of the double bond, leading to a net dipole moment. Because the electron-rich regions of the trans isomer are symmetrical about the double bond, the individual bond dipole moments cancel, and the isomer has no overall dipole moment.









Formal Charges

2.35 To save space, molecules are shown as line-bond structures with lone pairs, rather than as electron-dot structures.

(CH₃)₂
$$\ddot{O}$$
-BF₃
(CH₃)₂ \ddot{O} -BF₃
(a)
 $H_2\ddot{C}$ - $\overset{1}{N}$ = $\overset{2}{\overset{2}{\square}}$
 $H_2\ddot{C}$ - $\overset{1}{\overset{2}{\square}}$
(b)
(c)
 $\overset{CH_3}{\overset{1}{\overset{1}{\square}}}$
 $H_2\ddot{C}$ - $\overset{1}{\overset{1}{\square}}$
 $H_2\dot{C}$ - $\overset{1}{\overset{1}{\square}$
 $H_2\dot{C}$ - $\overset{1}{\overset{1}{\frown}$
 $H_2\dot{C}$ - $\overset{1}{\overset{1}{\frown}$
 $H_2\dot{C}$ - $\overset{1}{\overset{1}{\cr}$
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(d)

$$H_2C = N = N^2$$
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 $H_2C = N = N^2$:
 $FC = 4 - \frac{8}{2} - 0 = 0$
 $Nitrogen 1: FC = 5 - \frac{8}{2} - 0 = +1$
 $Nitrogen 2: FC = 5 - \frac{4}{2} - 4 = -1$
 $Oxygen 1: FC = 6 - \frac{4}{2} - 4 = 0$
 $Oxygen 2: FC = 6 - \frac{6}{2} - 2 = +1$
 $Oxygen 3: FC = 6 - \frac{2}{2} - 6 = -1$



2.36 As in Problem 2.31, molecules are shown as line-bond structures with lone-pair electrons indicated. Only calculations for atoms with non-zero formal charge are shown.

$$H_{3}C \xrightarrow{CH_{3}}_{H_{3}C}$$

$$H_{3}C \xrightarrow{H_{3}}_{H_{3}C}$$

$$H_{3}C \xrightarrow{H$$

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The last resonance structure is a minor contributor because its carbon lacks a complete electron octet.

(d) $H_3C - \dot{S} - \dot{C}H_2 \longrightarrow H_3C - \dot{S} = CH_2$

CH₃OH + HCI → CH₃OH₂⁺ + CI⁻

(e)
$$H_2C = CH - CH = CH - CH_3 \longrightarrow H_2C = CH - CH = CH - CH_3$$

 $\longleftarrow H_2C^+ - CH = CH - CH = CH - CH_3$

2.39 The two structures are not resonance forms because the positions of the carbon atoms are different in the two forms.



$$(d) \qquad (e) \qquad H \qquad H \qquad H \qquad (f) \qquad (c) \qquad (c) \qquad H \qquad (f) \qquad (c) \qquad$$

The Lewis acids shown below can accept an electron pair either because they have a vacant orbital or because they can donate H^+ . The Lewis bases have nonbonding electron pairs.

Lewis acids: AlBr₃, BH₃, HF, TiCl₄

Lewis bases: $CH_3CH_2NH_2$, $H_3C-S-CH_3$

2.43 $CH_3OH + H_2SO_4 \implies CH_3OH_2^+ + HSO_4^$ stronger stronger weaker weaker acid acid base base (a) $CH_3OH + NaNH_2 \implies CH_3O^-Na^+ + NH_3$ stronger stronger weaker weaker acid acid base base (b) (c) $CH_3NH_3^+CI^-$ + NaOH $\overrightarrow{}$ CH₃NH₂ + H₂O + NaCI stronger weaker weaker stronger acid base acid base

2.44 The substances with the largest values of pK_a are the least acidic.

2.45 To react completely (> 99.9%) with NaOH. an acid must have a p K_a at least 3 units smaller



2.47

$$H_{3}C - C - O^{-}K^{+} + H_{2}O \longrightarrow H_{3}C - C - OH + K^{+} - OH$$

$$H_{3}C - C - OH + K^{+} - OH + K^{+} - OH$$

$$H_{3}C - C - OH + K^{+} - OH + K^{+} - OH$$

$$H_{3}C - C - OH + K^{+} - OH + K^{+} - OH$$

$$H_{3}C - C - OH + K^{+} - OH + K^{+} - OH$$

$$H_{3}C - C - OH + K^{+} - OH + K^{+} - OH + K^{+} - OH$$

$$H_{3}C - C - OH + K^{+} - OH + K^{+} - OH + K^{+} - OH$$

$$H_{3}C - C - OH + K^{+} - OH + K^{+} - OH + K^{+} - OH$$

$$H_{3}C - C - OH + K^{+} - OH + K$$

The reaction takes place as written because water is a stronger acid than *tert*-butyl alcohol. Thus, a solution of potassium *tert*-butoxide in water can't be prepared.

2.48



2.50 (a) Nitromethane: $pK_a = 10.30$ (b) Acrylic acid: $pK_a = 4.25$

2.51

Formic acid + H₂O $\stackrel{K_a}{\longleftarrow}$ Formate⁻ + H₃O⁺ [x] [x] [0.050 M] $K_{\rm a} = 1.8 \text{ x } 10^{-4} = \frac{{\rm x}^2}{0.050 - {\rm x}}$

If you let 0.050 - x = 0.050, then $x = 3.0 \times 10^{-3}$ and pH = 2.52. If you calculate x exactly using the quadratic equation, then $x = 2.9 \times 10^{-3}$ and pH = 2.54.

2.52 Only acetic acid will react with sodium bicarbonate. Acetic acid is the only substance in Problem 2.40 that is a stronger acid than carbonic acid.



General Problems

2.53 In maleic acid, the individual dipole moments add to produce a net dipole moment for the whole molecule. The individual dipole moments in fumaric acid cancel, resulting in a zero dipole moment.



- **2.54** Sodium bicarbonate reacts with acetic acid to produce carbonic acid, which breaks down to form CO_2 . Thus, bubbles of CO_2 indicate the presence of an acid stronger than carbonic acid, in this case acetic acid, as the p K_a values indicate. Phenol does not react with sodium bicarbonate.
- **2.55** Reactions (a) and (c) are reactions between Brønsted–Lowry acids and bases; the stronger acid and stronger base are identified. Reactions (b) and (d) occur between Lewis acids and bases.



2.56 Pairs (a) and (d) represent resonance structures; pairs (b) and (c) do not. For two structures to be resonance forms, all atoms must be in the same positions in all resonance forms.



2.58 The cation pictured can be represented by two resonance forms. Reaction with water can occur at either positively charged carbon, resulting in two products.



2.61

2.62



When phenol loses a proton, the resulting anion is stabilized by resonance. The methanol anion is not stabilized by resonance.



2.63 (a) The central carbon of carbonate ion is sp² and trigonal planar. The three resonance forms control wally to the second resonance. I. The second has not





force is stronger than the dispersion forces between acetic acid and oil.

