

# WATER CHEMISTRY SOLUTIONS (PART 1)

1)

Temp=25C

	a	b	c	d=b/c	e=100/2	f=a*e/d
Constituents	Concentration mg/L	Molecular Weight	Ionic Charge	Equivalent Weight Ion	Equivalent Weight CaCO <sub>3</sub>	mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub>
<b>Cations</b>						
Ca	120	40.00	2	20.00	50	300.00
Mg	39	24.30	2	12.15	50	160.49
Na	12.8	22.99	1	22.99	50	27.84
K	3.4	39.10	1	39.10	50	4.35
Fe	6.2	55.85	2	27.93	50	11.10
Mn	0.3	54.94	2	27.47	50	0.55
<b>Anions</b>						
HCO <sub>3</sub>	422	61.00	1	61.00	50	345.90
SO <sub>4</sub>	101	96.10	2	48.05	50	105.10
Cl	32	35.50	1	35.50	50	45.07
CO <sub>3</sub>	1.2	60.00	2	30.00	50	2.00

2)

From the molecular equation  $\text{HCO}_3^- \rightleftharpoons \text{H}^+ + \text{CO}_3^{2-}$   $\text{pK}_a = 10.33$

Table 3-3 gives  $\rightarrow$

$$\text{K}_a = 10^{-10.33}$$

$\text{K}_a = [\text{H}^+][\text{CO}_3^{2-}]/[\text{HCO}_3^-]$  in molar concentrations only!

$$[\text{H}^+] = 10^{-10.33} * [\text{HCO}_3^-]/[\text{CO}_3^{2-}]$$

$$[\text{HCO}_3^-] = 422/61/1000 = 6.918 * 10^{-3} \text{M}$$

$$[\text{CO}_3^{2-}] = 1.2/60/1000 = 2.0 * 10^{-5} \text{M}$$

Therefore

$$[\text{H}^+] = 1.618 * 10^{-8} \text{M}$$

$$[\text{H}^+] = 1.618 * 10^{-5} \text{mg/L}$$

$$[\text{H}^+] = 8.09 * 10^{-4} \text{mg/L as CaCO}_3$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log 1.618 * 10^{-8} \text{M} = 7.79$$

3)

$$[\text{OH}^-] = 10^{-14}/10^{-7.79} = 10^{-6.21} \text{M} \quad 6.17 * 10^{-7} \text{M}$$

$$\text{pOH} = 6.21$$

$$[\text{OH}^-] = 1.048 * 10^{-2} \text{mg/L}$$

$$[\text{OH}^-] = 3.083 * 10^{-2} \text{mg/L as CaCO}_3$$

4)

From above  $[\text{H}^+] = 1.618 * 10^{-8} \text{M}$

$$[\text{HCO}_3^-] = 6.918 * 10^{-3} \text{M}$$

Assume  $[\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3] = [\text{CO}_2]$

Table 3-3 gives  $\rightarrow$

$$\text{pK}_a = 6.35$$

$$\text{K}_a = 10^{-6.35}$$

From the molecular equation  $\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3 \rightleftharpoons \text{H}^+ + \text{HCO}_3^-$

$\text{K}_a = [\text{H}^+][\text{HCO}_3^-]/[\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3]$  in molar concentrations only!

$$[\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3] = [\text{CO}_2] = (1.618 * 10^{-8}) * (6.918 * 10^{-3}) / 10^{-6.35} = 2.51 * 10^{-4} \text{M}$$

$$[\text{CO}_2] = 11.02 \text{ mg/L} = 25.05 \text{ mg/L as CaCO}_3$$

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