## Chem 30A-Week 5

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## Warm up exercise

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Identify the acidic and basic sites on each of the molecules below.





## Group problems

- 1. Imidazole acts as a base in water.
  - a. Write a balanced equation for that reaction.

١H

imidazole

b. Explain why one nitrogen in imidazole is favored over the other for protonation.

c. Draw resonance forms of protonated imidazole.

Chapter 4

2. How many stereogenic carbons does Penicillin V have? What are their configurations?





3. Use the pKa's listed for the following questions.



a. Why is phenol more acidic than methanol and acetone?

## Chapter 4

b. For the following equations, does the equilibrium lie to the right or left?  $H \longrightarrow : ^{\bigcirc} + - OH \longrightarrow = + -O^{\bigcirc}$ 



c. Can acetone protonate acetylide anion? Write the reaction- label the acid, base, conj acid and conj base.