



Water in Nanopores

Phase behavior of confined water in ordered nanoporous organosilica hybrid materials with periodically modulated surface polarities Michael Fröba Institute of Inorganic and Applied Chemistry University of Hamburg Germany

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Water Properties and anomalies

Hydrogen bonding is very efficient in liquid water and ice

- up to 4 hydrogen bonds per H₂O molecule
 (2 lone pairs, 2 hydrogen atoms)
- resulting in tetrahedral geometry and a three-dimensional network of hydrogen bonds

Only two bonds per molecule in HF and NH_3

- HF: 3 lone pairs, 1 hydrogen atom
- NH₃: 1 lone pairs, 3 hydrogen atoms
- Hydrogen bonding also responsible for high viscosity, surface tension, heat of vaporization (melting, sublimation), heat capacity etc.







- Unusually high boiling temperature
- Unusually high melting temperature
- Unusually high heat of vaporization
- Unusually high heat of melting
- Unusually high heat of sublimation
- Unusually high viscosity (low mobility)
- Unusually high surface tension
- Low compressibility
- Low thermal expansion







Anomalous properties of water in the bulk state



Water exhibits more than 60 anomalies

Water phase anomalies ^e Water density anomalies 1. Water has unus Water material anomalies 2. Water has unus 1. The density of ice i 3. Water has unus 2. Water shrinks on n 1. No aqueous solution Water thermodynamic anomalies 2. Water Similar educes k 3. Pressure reduces k 2. D₂O and T₂O differ 4. Solid water exist Water physical anomalies materials. [Expla 4. Liquid water has a 1. The heat of fusion of water v 5. The thermal con 5. The surface of wat 3. Liquid H₂O and D₂O 2. Water has over twice the sp 6. Pressure reduces t 7. There is a minimum 4. H₂O and D₂O ices (1. Water has unusually high viscosity. [Explanation] 3. The specific heat capacity (C 2. Large viscosity increase as the temperature is lowered. [Explanation] 7. Supercooled wal 8. Water has a low cc 5. The mean kinetic er 4. The specific heat capacity C 3. Water's viscosity decreases with pressure below 33 °C. [Explanation] 4. Large diffusion decrease as the temperature is lowered. [Explanation] 8. Liquid water is ei 9. Water's thermal ex 6. Solutes have varyin 5. The specific heat capacity (C 5. At low temperatures, the self-diffusion of water increases as the density and pressure increase. [Explanation] 9. Liquid water exis 10. Water's thermal ex 7. The solubilities of no 6. The specific heat capacity (C 6. The thermal diffusivity rises to a maximum at about 0.8 GPa. [Explanation] 10. Liquid water may 11. The number of net 8. The dielectric consta 7. Water has unusually high surface tension. [Explanation] 11. Hot water may f 12. The number of nez 9. The relative permitti 7. The heat capacity (C_v) has a 8. Some salts give a surface tension-concentration minimum; the Jones-Ray effect. [Explanation] 12. Warm water vib 13. Water has unusual 10. Proton and hydroxi 8. High heat of vaporization. [E 9. Some salts prevent the coalescence of small bubbles. [Explanation] 13. Water molecules 14. The compressibility11. The electrical condu 9. High heat of sublimation. [Ex 15. There is a maximul 12. Acidity constants of 10. High entropy of vaporization. [Explanation] 16. The speed of soun 13. X-ray diffraction shc 11. The thermal conductivity of water is high and rises to a maximum at about 130 °C. [Explanation] 17. The speed of soun 14. Under high pressure water molecules move further away from each other with increasing pressure, a densitydistance paradox. [Explanation] 18. 'Fast sound' is four



Nanoporous solids Synthesis and properties

Nanoparticle world





Steric stabilization

Electrostatic stabilization

Nanopore world





different pore geometries and diameters





20 nm



pore determines confined space

100 nm

guest/guest interactions guest/wall interactions hierarchical or multimodal porosity possible not limited to single guest species

advantages:

not limited to the solid state

gaseous, liquid and solid phases as well as mixtures of them can be confined

different morphologies







Research





Separation, "Optical" Materials and Biocatalysis

Porous solids – Pore diameters





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schematic illustration of the synthesis pathway to mesoporous silica



Mesoporous silica (MCM-41 type)



Nitrogen physisorption (77 K)



Mesoporous organosilicas – Synthesis





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Mesoporous organosilicas – Synthesis

- Periodic Mesoporous
 Organosilicas (PMOs)
 - no pore blocking
 - highest degree of loading
 - hybrid pore wall structure !
 - ordered pore structure
 - synthesis of the precursor might be difficult
 - cleavage of Si-C bond ?



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Periodic mesoporous organosilicas – Organic moieties



Bis- and Multisilylated precursors (11) (12) (17) (15) (27) (28)(33) (35)

for terminal Si-groups: Si = Si(OR)₃ R = CH₃, C₂H₅

Periodic Mesoporous
 Organosilicas (PMOs)
 with crystal-like pore walls

Si

- high thermal stability
- only observed for rigid organic bridges (all C sp² hybridized)





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• with crystal-like pore walls



XRD - high order reflections





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periodicity



precursor	periodicity
Si Si	5.6 Å
Si	7.6 Å
Si	7.6 Å
Si Si	9.8 Å
Si-	11.8 Å
Si Si Si	11.8 Å
Si Si Si	11.8 Å



Periodic mesoporous organosilicas



with heteroatom <u>and</u> crystal-like pore walls



- XRD high order reflections
- Nitrogen sorption
 - pore diameter: 2 4.5 nm
 - specific surface: 900 1400 m²/g





Confined water in nanoporous solids Phase behaviour

Water/ice in mesoporous silica



- Melting point of confined water
 - **smaller** pore diameter \rightarrow **lower** melting point
 - no freezing in pores < 3 nm</p>





Gibbs–Thomson equation



- Shift of the melting point of small spherical solid
 - particle with the radius r

$$\Delta T_{\rm m}(r) = T_0 - T(r) = \frac{2T_0 \cdot \gamma_{SL} \cdot V_{\rm S}}{\Delta_m H} \cdot \frac{1}{r}$$
$$= C \cdot \frac{1}{r}$$

Т	melting point of the small spherical particle
<i>T</i> ₀	melting point of the bulk
Y _{SL}	solid-liquid surface free energy
Vs	molar volume of the solid
∆ _m H	enthalpy of melting



melting temperature of gold nanoparticles

Water/ice in cylindrical nanopores



- Solid/liquid phase transition in confined geometries
 - in cylindrical pores of radius r_p
 - shift of the melting temperature

$$\Delta T_{\rm m}(r_p) = T_0 - T(r_p) = \frac{2T_0 \cdot \gamma_{SL} \cdot V_{\rm S}}{\Delta_m H} \cdot \frac{1}{r_p - t}$$

modified Gibbs-Thomson equation $= C \cdot \frac{1}{r_p - t}$

Tmelting point of the small spherical particle T_0 melting point of the bulk γ_{SL} solid-liquid surface free energy V_S molar volume of the solid $\Delta_{\rm m}H$ enthalpy of meltingtthickness of liquid film (non-freezing water)



r_c radius of curvature
 (crystal–solution interface)

Water/ice in mesoporous silica

- Molecular dynamics (MD) simulations
 - liquid-like layer of "non-freezing water" on the pore wall
 - ~ 0.3 nm (theo.); 0.5-0.6 nm (exp.)
 - double layer of water molecules (radius: 0.19 nm)







Water/ice in mesoporous silica

- ¹H MAS solid state NMR measurements
 - I,II: surface –SiOH protons (1.7-1.8 ppm)
 - III: proton exchange process between water molecules and silica surface (2.8-2.9 ppm)



IV: inner-water molecules (4.7 ppm)

(free water clusters: 5.5 ppm)



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- Periodic Mesoporous
 Organosilicas (PMOs)
 with crystal-like pore walls
 - high thermal stability
 - only observed for rigid organic bridges (all C sp² hybridized)











Periodic mesoporous organosilicas (PMOs)



PMOs with cylindrical pores (MCM-41 type) and modulated surface polarity



MCM-41 Silica

ethane-PMO



oenzene-	PMO



biphenyl-PMO





hydrophobicity







- Water vapor sorption (298 K)
 - isotherms are shifted to higher relative pressure (humidity)
 - effect of surface polarity!





- Melting point of confined water (DSC vs. NMR cryoporometry)
 - DSC does not provide reliable data for pores smaller than 3.0 nm in diameter



Mesoporous silica vs. organosilicas (PMOs)



- Melting point and water/pore interaction of confined water
 - NMR cryoporometry: spin-echo sequence with an echo delay time of τ = 0.5 ms

- ¹H T₁ (spin-lattice) relaxation times
 - molecular mobility and proton exchange
 - sensitive to fluid-wall interactions





- Melting point of confined water
 - melting point of PMOs lower than that of silica (similar pore diameter)
 - thickness of liquid-like layer ("nonfreezing water") is increasing



- ¹H MAS solid state NMR measurements
 - biphenyl-PMO with 2.6 nm pores

- dry sample: only aromatic protons
- 40 % r.h.: aromatic protons + "surface" water
- **80 % r.h.** (completely filled):

aromatic protons + inner-water in the core of the pores + very small amount of –SiOH protons



- ¹H MAS solid state NMR measurements
 - water exists in various environments
 - isolated silanol group -SiOH at ~ 1.8 ppm
 - water hydrogen-bonded to the surface silanol groups at ~ 3.5 ppm
 - water clusters in the core of the pores at ~ 4.6 ppm
 - fast dynamic exchange between the water molecules themselves and the silanol groups
 - free water clusters (bulk) at 5.5 pm





- ²⁹Si CP MAS solid state NMR measurements
 - only T signals
 - no Q signals between -90 and -120 ppm
 - \rightarrow **no cleavage** of the Si-C bond
 - T₃ unit: RSi(OSi)₃
 - T₂ unit: RSi (OSi)₂(OR'), R'= H or CH₃CH₂
 - T_1 unit: R**Si**(OSi)(OR')₂, R'= H or CH_3CH_2
 - strong T₃ signal: high degree of connectivity





- ¹³C CP MAS solid state NMR measurements
 - characteristic signals of the carbon atoms corresponding to the organic bridge groups
 - in contrast to ²⁹Si CP NMR, no intensity change is observed for B- and BP-PMO after water adsorption
 - however, that ¹³C CP MAS NMR of the A-PMO exhibits clear differences in the signal intensities and linewidths between the dry and the fully loaded samples



2D¹H-²⁹Si HETCOR solid state NMR measurements



biphenyl-PMO with 2.6 nm pores S water protons in the proximity to the silicon atoms l ₃ T_2 40 % 0 % 80 % T₁ ppm ppm dry sample 40 % r.h ppm 80 % r.h 0 0 H chemical shift (ppm) 2 2 4 4 6 6 6 8 8 10 10 -60 -90 ppm -60 -90 ppm -70 -80 -90 ppm ²⁹Si chemical shift (ppm)







- 2D ¹H-²⁹Si and ¹H-¹³C HETCOR solid state NMR measurements
 - biphenyl-PMO with 3.4 nm pores and benzene-PMO with 3.2 nm pores
 - water protons only in the proximity to the silicon atoms





- 2D ¹H-²⁹Si and ¹H-¹³C HETCOR solid state NMR measurements
 - aniline-PMO with **3.0 nm pores**
 - "surface" protons close to the carbon atoms





- 2D ¹H-²⁹Si and ¹H-¹³C HETCOR solid state NMR measurements
 - aniline-PMO with 3.0 nm pores
 - water protons in the proximity to the silicon <u>and</u> carbon atoms





Proposed structure model







- There is a strong decrease of the melting point (down to 70 °C) of water within nanoporous host structures with diameter below 4 nm
- Periodic mesoporous organosilicas (PMOs) show a up to 10 K lower melting point than the corresponding silicas with the same pore diameter
- There is no wetting of a hydrophobic organic bridging unit except when a polar unit with the ability to form hydrogen bonds is present in the organic motif
- Not only the pore size with its confinement effect but also the surface polarity has an influence on the water properties at the same time
- Periodic mesoporous organosilicas (PMOs) with quasi-crystalline pore walls are ideal model host structures due to their defined pore size and tailored modulated surface polarity

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