

gridlocks – can you unlock the grid?

M²⁺ (aq) ions

Before you answer the gridlock below fill in the table of M²⁺ ions:

	[Cu(H ₂ O) ₆] ²⁺	green	Fe(H ₂ O) ₄ (OH) ₂	blue
Hexaaqua M ²⁺ ions	Colour of aqueous M ²⁺ ion	Precipitate with NaOH(aq)	Colour of hydroxide precipitate	
[Fe(H ₂ O) ₆] ²⁺				green
	blue	Cu(H ₂ O) ₄ (OH) ₂		blue
[Co(H ₂ O) ₆] ²⁺	pink	Co(H ₂ O) ₄ (OH) ₂		green-blue
[Cr(H ₂ O) ₆] ²⁺		Cr(H ₂ O) ₃ (OH) ₃ (Cr ²⁺ oxidises in air to Cr ³⁺)		green (Cr ²⁺ oxidises in air to Cr ³⁺)

Gridlock 1

Each row, column and 2 x 2 box contains information about the four aqueous ions listed. Use your problem solving skills and the answers in the table above to fill in the blank boxes.

hexaaqua M ²⁺ ions		colour of aqueous M ²⁺ ion	
	[Fe(H ₂ O) ₆] ²⁺		blue
[Cr(H ₂ O) ₆] ²⁺			green
		[Cr(H ₂ O) ₆] ²⁺	
blue			[Co(H ₂ O) ₆] ²⁺
colour of aqueous M ²⁺ ion		hexaaqua M ²⁺ ions	

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Gridlock 2

Each row, column and 2 x 2 box contains information about the four metals listed.

hexaaqua M ²⁺ ions		colour of aqueous M ²⁺ ion	
[Cu(H ₂ O) ₆] ²⁺			green
			green (Cr ²⁺ oxidises in air to Cr ³⁺)
Co(H ₂ O) ₄ (OH) ₂			
precipitate with NaOH(aq)		colour of hydroxide precipitate	

Gridlock 3

Each row, column and 2 x 2 box contains information about the four metals listed.

hexaaqua M ²⁺ ions		colour of aqueous M ²⁺ ion	
[Cu(H ₂ O) ₆] ²⁺			green
	Co(H ₂ O) ₄ (OH) ₂		green (Cr ²⁺ oxidises in air to Cr ³⁺)
precipitate with NaOH(aq)		colour of hydroxide precipitate	