# Unit

# **Basic Concepts of Chemistry and Chemical Calculations**

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We think there is colour, we think there is sweet, we think there is bitter, but in reality there are atoms and a void.











# Learning Objectives 🥑

After studying this unit, students will be able to

- explain the importance of chemistry in different spheres of life.
- classify different substances into elements, compounds and mixtures.
- define atomic mass and molecular mass.
- define the amount of substance using SI unit 'mole'.
- describe Avogadro number.
- explain the relationship among mass, moles and number of atoms (or) molecules and perform calculations relating to the conversions.
- define equivalent mass and calculate equivalent mass of acid, base and oxidising/reducing agents.
- deduce empirical and molecular formula of a compound from experimental data.
- solve numerical problems based on stoichiometric calculations.
- identify the limiting reagent and calculate the amount of reactants and products in a reaction.
- define the terms oxidation, reduction, oxidant and reductant.
- predict the oxidation states of elements in various compounds.
- explain the process involved in a redox reaction and describe the electron transfer process.
- classify redox reactions into different types.
- formulate a balanced redox reaction from two half-reactions.

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# 1.1 Chemistry - the Centre of Life

'Unna unavu, udukka udai, irukka idam' - in Tamil classical language means food to eat, cloth to wear and place to live. These are the three basic needs of human life. Chemistry plays a major role in providing these needs and also helps us to improve the quality of life. Chemistry has produced many compounds such as fertilizers, insecticides etc. that could enhance the agricultural production. We build better and stronger buildings that sustain different weather conditions with modern cements, concrete mixtures and better quality steel. We also have better quality fabrics.

Chemistry is everywhere in the world around us. Even our body is made up of chemicals. Continuous biochemical reactions occurring in our body are responsible for human activities. Chemistry touches almost every aspect of our lives, culture and environment. The world in which we are living is constantly changing, and the science of chemistry continues to expand and evolve to meet the challenges of our modern world. Chemical industries manufacture a broad range of new and useful materials that are used in every day life.

Examples : polymers, dyes, alloys, life saving drugs etc.

When HIV/AIDS epidemic began in early 1980s, patients rarely lived longer than a few years. But now many effective medicines are available to fight the infection, and people with HIV infection have longer and better life.

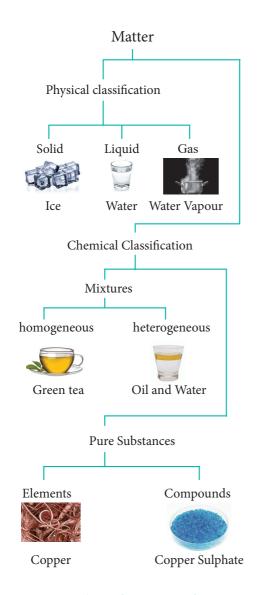
The understanding of chemical principles enabled us to replace the non eco friendly compounds such as CFCs in refrigerators with appropriate equivalents and increasing number of green processes. There are many researchers working in different fields of chemistry to develop new drugs, environment friendly materials, synthetic polymers etc. for the betterment of the society.

As chemistry plays an important role in our day-to-day life, it becomes essential to understand the basic principles of chemistry in order to address the mounting challenges in our developing country.

# **1.2 Classification of Matter:**

Look around your classroom. What do you see? You might see your bench, table, blackboard, window etc. What are these things made of? They are all made of matter. Matter is defined as anything that has mass and occupies space. All matter is composed of atoms. This knowledge of matter is useful to explain the experiences that we have with our surroundings. In order to understand the properties of matter better, we need to classify them. There are different ways to classify matter. The two most commonly used methods are classification by their physical state and by chemical composition as described in the chart.

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### Fig. 1.1 Classification of Matter

# **1.2.1 Physical Classification of Matter :**

Matter can be classified as solids, liquids and gases based on their physical state. The physical state of matter can be converted into one another by modifying the temperature and pressure suitably.

# **1.2.2 Chemical Classification :**

Matter can be classified into mixtures and pure substances based on chemical compositions. Mixtures consist of more than one chemical entity present without any chemical interactions. They can be further classified as homogeneous or heterogeneous mixtures based on their physical appearance.

Pure substances are composed of simple atoms or molecules. They are further classified as elements and compounds.

# **Element :**

An element consists of only one type of atom. We know that an atom is the smallest electrically neutral particle, being made up of fundamental particles, namely electrons, protons and neutrons.

Element can exist as monatomic or polyatomic units.

Example : Monatomic unit - Gold (Au), Copper (Cu); Polyatomic unit - Hydrogen (H<sub>2</sub>), Phosphorous (P<sub>4</sub>) and Sulphur (S<sub>8</sub>)

#### **Compound:**

Compounds are made up of molecules which contain two or more atoms of different elements.

Properties of compounds are different from those of their constituent elements. For example, sodium is a shiny metal, and chlorine is an irritating gas. But the compound formed from these two elements, sodium chloride, shows different characteristics as it is a crystalline solid, vital for biological functions.

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# Evaluate Yourself

- By applying the knowledge of chemical classification, classify each of the following into elements, compounds or mixtures.
  - (i) Sugar
  - (ii) Sea water
  - (iii) Distilled water
  - (iv) Carbon dioxide
  - (v) Copper wire
  - (vi) Table salt
  - (vii) Silver plate
  - (viii) Naphthalene balls

# **1.3 Atomic and Molecular Masses**

# 1.3.1 Atomic Masses

How much does an individual atom weigh? As atoms are too small with diameter of  $10^{-10}$  m and weigh approximately  $10^{-27}$  kg, it is not possible to measure their mass directly. Hence it is proposed to have relative scale based on a standard atom.

The C-12 atom is considered as standard by the IUPAC (International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry), and its mass is fixed as 12 amu (or) u. The amu (or) unified atomic mass unit is defined as one twelfth of the mass of a Carbon-12 atom in its ground state.

i.e. 1 amu (or)  $1u \approx 1.6605 \times 10^{-27}$  kg.

In this scale, the relative atomic mass is defined as the ratio of the average atomic mass to the unified atomic mass unit. Relative atomic mass  $(A_r)$ 

Average mass of the atom

Unified atomic mass

### For example,

Average mass of H-atom (in kg)

$$1.6605 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$$

$$= \frac{1.6736 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}}{1.6605 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}}$$

= 1.0078  $\approx$  1.008 u.

Since most of the elements consist of isotopes that differ in mass, we use average atomic mass. Average atomic mass is defined as the average of the atomic masses of all atoms in their naturally occurring isotopes. For example, chlorine consists of two naturally occurring isotopes  ${}_{17}Cl^{35}$  and  ${}_{17}Cl^{37}$  in the ratio 77 : 23, the average relative atomic mass of chlorine is

$$= \frac{(35 \times 77) + (37 \times 23)}{100}$$

= 35.46 u

# **1.3.2 Molecular Mass**

Similar to relative atomic mass, relative molecular mass is defined as the ratio of the mass of a molecule to the unified atomic mass unit. The relative molecular mass of any compound can be calculated by adding the relative atomic masses of its constituent atoms.

## For example,

i) Relative molecular mass of hydrogen molecule (H<sub>2</sub>)

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- $= 2 \times ($ relative atomic mass of hydrogen atom)
- $= 2 \times 1.008$  u

= 2.016 u.

Relative molecular mass of glucose ii)  $(C_6H_{12}O_6)$ 

$$= (6 \times 12) + (12 \times 1.008) + (6 \times 16)$$

= 72 + 12.096 + 96

= 180.096 u

# Table 1.1 Relative atomic masses of some elements

| Element | Relative<br>atomic<br>mass | Element | Relative<br>atomic<br>mass |
|---------|----------------------------|---------|----------------------------|
| Н       | 1.008                      | Cl      | 35.45                      |
| С       | 12                         | K       | 39.10                      |
| N       | 14                         | Ca      | 40.08                      |
| 0       | 16                         | Cr      | 51.99                      |
| Na      | 23                         | Mn      | 54.94                      |
| Mg      | 24.3                       | Fe      | 55.85                      |
| S       | 32.07                      | Cu      | 63.55                      |

Evaluate Yourself

2) Calculate the relative molecular mass of the following.

- (i) Ethanol( $C_2H_5OH$ )
- (ii) Potassium permanganate ( $KMnO_{4}$ )
- (iii) Potassium dichromate  $(K_2Cr_2O_7)$

(iv) Sucrose  $(C_{12}H_{22}O_{11})$ 

# 1.4 Mole Concept

Often we use special names to express the quantity of individual items for our convenience. For example, a dozen roses means 12 roses and one quire paper means 24 single sheets. We can extend this analogy to understand the concept of mole that is used for quantifying atoms and molecules in chemistry. Mole is the SI unit to represent a specific amount of a substance.

To understand the mole concept, let us calculate the total number of atoms present in 12 g of carbon -12 isotope or molecules in 158.03 g of potassium permanganate, 294.18 g of potassium dichromate and 180 g of glucose.

# 12 Numbers = 1 Dozen



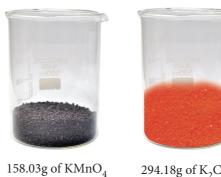
12 Roses

12 Balls



12 Apples

# 1 Mole $\equiv 6.023 \times 10^{23}$ entities



294.18g of K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>

# Fig. 1.2 Mole Concept

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| S. No. | Name of<br>substance  | Mass of the<br>substance<br>taken<br>(gram) | Mass of single atom<br>or molecule (gram)<br>= Atomic mass<br>or Molar mass /<br>Avovadro Number | No. of atoms or molecules =<br>Mass of substance ÷ Mass of<br>single atom or molecule |
|--------|---|---|--|---|
|        | (1)   | (2)   | (3)  | (2)÷(3)   |
| 1.     | Elemental<br>Carbon (C-12)  | 12  | 1.9926 x 10 <sup>-23</sup>   | $\frac{12}{1.9926 \times 10^{-23}} = 6.022 \times 10^{23}$                            |
| 2.     | Glucose<br>(C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>12</sub> O <sub>6</sub> )                 | 180   | 29.89 x 10 <sup>-23</sup>  | $\frac{180}{29.89 \times 10^{-23}} = 6.022 \times 10^{23}$                            |
| 3.     | Potassium<br>dichromate<br>(K <sub>2</sub> Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub> ) | 294.18                                      | 48.851 x 10 <sup>-23</sup>   | $\frac{294.18}{48.851 \times 10^{-23}} = 6.022 \times 10^{23}$                        |
| 4.     | Potassium<br>permanganate<br>(KMnO <sub>4</sub> )                           | 158.03                                      | $26.242 \times 10^{-23}$   | $\frac{158.03}{26.242 \times 10^{-23}} = 6.022 \times 10^{23}$                        |

## Table 1.2 Calculation of number of entities in one mole of substance.

From the calculations we come to know that 12 g of carbon-12 contains  $6.022 \times 10^{23}$  carbon atoms and same numbers of molecules are present in 158.03 g of potassium permanganate and 294.18 g of potassium dichromate. Similar to the way we use the term 'dozen' to represent 12 entities, we can use the term 'mole' to represent 6.022 x  $10^{23}$  entities (atoms or molecules or ions)

One mole is the amount of substance of a system, which contains as many elementary particles as there are atoms in 12 g of carbon-12 isotope. The elementary particles can be molecules, atoms, ions, electrons or any other specified particles.



**Gastric acid and antacids:** 

Antacids are commonly used medicines for treating heartburn and acidity. Do

you know the chemistry behind it?

Gastric acid is a digestive fluid formed in the stomach and it contains hydrochloric acid. The typical concentration of the acid in gastric acid is 0.082 M. When the concentration exceeds 0.1 M it causes the heartburn and acidity. Antacids used to treat acidity contain mostly magnesium hydroxide or aluminium hydroxide that neutralises the excess acid. The chemical reactions are as follows.

$$3 \text{ HCl} + \text{Al(OH)}_3 \rightarrow \text{AlCl}_3 + 3 \text{ H}_2\text{O}$$

$$2 \text{ HCl} + \text{Mg(OH)}_2 \rightarrow \text{MgCl}_2 + 2 \text{ H}_2\text{O}$$

From the above reactions we know that 1 mole of aluminium hydroxide neutralises 3 moles of HCl while 1 mole of magnesium hydroxide neutralises 2 moles of HCl.

Let us calculate the amount of acid neutralised by an antacid that contains 250 mg of aluminium hydroxide and 250 mg of magnesium hydroxide.

| Active<br>Compound  | Mass in<br>(mg) | Molecular<br>mass<br>(g mol <sup>-1)</sup> | No. of<br>moles<br>of active<br>compound | No. of<br>moles OH <sup>-</sup> |
|---------------------|-----------------|--|--|---------------------------------|
| Al(OH) <sub>3</sub> | 250             | 78   | 0.0032                                   | 0.0096                          |
| Mg(OH) <sub>2</sub> | 250             | 58   | 0.0086                                   |                                 |
| Total no. o         | 0.0182          |  |  |                                 |

# 1.4.1 Avogadro Number:

The total number of entities present in one mole of any substance is equal to  $6.022 \times 10^{23}$ . This number is called Avogadro number which is named after the Italian physicist Amedeo Avogadro who proposed that equal volume of all gases under the same conditions of temperature and pressure contain equal number of molecules. Avogadro number does not have any unit.

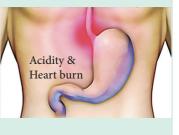
In a chemical reaction, atoms or molecules react in a specific ratio. Let us consider the following examples

Reaction 1 :  $C + O_2 \rightarrow CO_2$ 

Reaction 2 :  $CH_4 + 2O_2 \rightarrow CO_2 + 2H_2O$ 

In the first reaction, one carbon atom reacts with one oxygen molecule to give one carbon dioxide molecule. In the second reaction, one molecule of methane burns with two molecules of oxygen to give one molecule of carbon dioxide and two molecules of water. It is clear that the ratio of reactants is based on the number of molecules. Even though the ratio is based on the number of molecules it is practically difficult to count the number of One tablet of above composition will neutralise 0.0182 mole of HCl for a person

with gastric acid content of 0.1 mole. One tablet can be used to neutralize the excess acid



which will bring the concentration back to normal level. (0.1 - 0.018 = 0.082 M)



Lorenzo Romano Amedeo Carlo Avogadro (1776-1856)

He is known for the Avogadro's hypothesis. Inhonour of his contributions, the number of fundamental particles in a mole of substance was named as Avogadro number. Though Avogadro didn't predict the number of particles in equal volumes of gas, his hypothesis did lead to the eventual determination of the number as  $6.022 \times 10^{23}$  Rudolf Clausius, with his kinetic theory of gases, provided evidence for Avogadro's law.

molecules. Because of this reason it is beneficial to use 'mole' concept rather than the actual number of molecules to quantify the reactants and the products. We can explain the first reaction as one mole of carbon reacts with one mole of oxygen to give one mole of carbon dioxide and the second reaction as one mole of methane burns with two moles of oxygen to give one mole of carbon dioxide and two moles of water. When only atoms are involved, scientists also use the term one gram atom instead of one mole.

# 1.4.2 Molar Mass:

Molar mass is defined as the mass of one mole of a substance. The molar mass of a compound is equal to the sum of the relative atomic masses of its constituents expressed in g mol<sup>-1</sup>.

# **Examples:**

- relative atomic mass of one hydrogen atom = 1.008 u
- molar mass of hydrogen atom
   = 1.008 g mol<sup>-1</sup>
- relative molecular mass of glucose
   = 180 u
- molar mass of glucose = 180 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

# 1.4.3 Molar Volume:

The volume occupied by one mole of any substance in the gaseous state at a given temperature and pressure is called molar volume.

| Conditions   | Volume occupied<br>by one mole of any<br>gaseous substances (in<br>litre) |
|--|---|
| 273 K and 1 bar<br>pressure (STP)                                  | 22.71   |
| 273 K and 1 atm pressure   | 22.4  |
| 298 K and 1 atm pressure<br>(Room Temperature &<br>pressure (SATP) | 24.47   |

**Evaluate Yourself** 

- 3a) Calculate the number of moles present in 9 g of ethane.
- 3b) Calculate the number of molecules of oxygen gas that occupies a volume of 224 ml at 273 K and 3 atm pressure.

# **1.5 Gram Equivalent Concept:**

Similar to mole concept gram equivalent concept is also widely used in chemistry especially in analytical chemistry. In the previous section, we have understood that mole concept is based on molecular mass. Similarly gram equivalent concept is based on equivalent mass.

# **Definition:**

Gram equivalent mass is defined as the mass of an element (compound or ion) that combines or displaces 1.008 g hydrogen or 8 g oxygen or 35.5 g chlorine.

Consider the following reaction:

$$Zn+H_2SO_4 \rightarrow ZnSO_4+H_2$$

In this reaction 1 mole of zinc (i.e. 65.38 g) displaces one mole of hydrogen molecule (2.016 g).

Mass of zinc required to displace 1.008 g hydrogen is

$$= \frac{65.38}{2.016} \times 1.008$$
$$= \frac{65.38}{2}$$

The equivalent mass of zinc = 32.69

The gram equivalent mass of zinc =  $32.69 \text{ g eq}^{-1}$ 

Equivalent mass has no unit but gram equivalent mass has the unit g eq<sup>-1</sup>

It is not always possible to apply the above mentioned definition which is

based on three references namely hydrogen, oxygen and chlorine, because we can not conceive of reactions involving only with those three references. Therefore, a more useful expression used to calculate gram equivalent mass is given below.

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Gram equivalent mass = 
$$\frac{\text{Molar mass } (\text{g mol}^{-1})}{\text{Equivalence factor (eq mol}^{-1})}$$

On the basis of the above expression, let us classify chemical entities and find out the formula for calculating equivalent mass in the table below.

# 1.5.1 Equivalent Mass of Acids, Bases, Salts, Oxidising Agents and Reducing Agents

| Chemical<br>entity                  | Equivalent<br>Factor(n)  | Formula for calculating<br>equivalent mass (E)  | Example  |
|-------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Acids                               | basicity<br>(no. of<br>moles of<br>ionisable<br>H <sup>+</sup> ions<br>present in<br>1 mole of<br>the acid)            | $E = \frac{Molar mass of the acid}{Basicity of the acid}$   | $H_2SO_4 \text{ basicity} = 2 \text{ eq mol}^{-1}$<br>Molar mass of $H_2SO_4$<br>$= (2 \times 1) + (1 \times 32) + (4 \times 16)$<br>$= 98 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$<br>Gram equivalent mass of $H_2SO_4 = \frac{98}{2}$<br>$= 49 \text{ g eq}^{-1}$   |
| Bases                               | Acidity<br>(no. of<br>moles of<br>ionisable<br>OH <sup>-</sup> ion<br>present in<br>1 mole of<br>the base)             | $E = \frac{\text{Molar mass of the base}}{\text{Acidity of the base}}$  | KOH acidity = $1 \text{ eq mol}^{-1}$<br>Molar mass of KOH = $(1 \times 39) + (1 \times 16) + (1 \times 1)$<br>= $56 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$<br>Gram equivalent mass of KOH<br>= $\frac{56}{1}$ = $56 \text{ g eq}^{-1}$   |
| Oxidising agent (or) reducing agent | No. of<br>moles of<br>electrons<br>gained (or)<br>lost by one<br>mole of the<br>reagent<br>during<br>redox<br>reaction | $E = \frac{Molar mass of the oxidising (or) reducing agent}{No. of moles of electrons gained or lost by one mole of the oxidising (or) reducing agent}$ | $\begin{array}{l} \mathrm{KMnO}_4 \text{ is an oxidising agent,} \\ \mathrm{Molar\ mass\ of\ KMnO}_4 \\ &= (1 \times 39) + (1 \times 55) + (4 \times 16) \\ &= 158\ \mathrm{g\ mol^{-1}} \end{array}$ In acid medium permanganate is reduced during oxidation and is given by the following equation, $\begin{array}{l} \mathrm{MnO}_4^- + 8\mathrm{H}^+ + 5\mathrm{e}^- \Rightarrow \mathrm{Mn^{2+}} + 4\mathrm{H_2O} \\ \therefore \mathrm{n} = 5\ \mathrm{eq\ mol^{-1}}. \end{array}$ Gram equivalent mass of $\begin{array}{l} \mathrm{KMnO}_4 = \frac{158}{5} = 31.6\ \mathrm{g\ eq^{-1}}. \end{array}$ |

Mole concept requires a balanced chemical reaction to find out the amount of reactants involved in the chemical reaction while gram equivalent concept does not

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require the same. We prefer to use mole concept for non-redox reactions and gram equivalent concept for redox reactions.

# For example,

If we know the equivalent mass of  $KMnO_4$  and anhydrous ferrous sulphate, without writing balanced chemical reaction we can straightaway say that 31.6 g of  $KMnO_4$  reacts with 152 g of FeSO<sub>4</sub> using gram equivalent concept.

The same can also be explained on the basis of mole concept. The balanced chemical equation for the above mentioned reaction is

$$10 \text{ FeSO}_4 + 2 \text{ KMnO}_4 + 8 \text{ H}_2\text{SO}_4$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$K_2\text{SO}_4 + 2 \text{ MnSO}_4 + 5 \text{ Fe}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3 + 8\text{H}_2\text{O}$$

i.e. 2 moles  $(2 \times 158 = 316 \text{ g})$  of potassium permanganate reacts with 10 moles  $(10 \times 152 = 1520 \text{ g})$  of anhydrous ferrous sulphate.

$$\therefore 31.6 \text{ g KMnO}_4 \text{ reacts with}$$
$$\frac{1520}{316} \times 31.6 = 152 \text{ g of FeSO}_4$$

# Evaluate Yourself

- 4a) 0.456 g of a metal gives 0.606 g of its chloride. Calculate the equivalent mass of the metal.
- 4b) Calculate the equivalent mass of potassium dichromate. The reduction half-reaction in acid medium is,

 $Cr_2O_7^{2-} + 14H^+ + 6e^- \rightarrow 2 Cr^{3+} + 7H_2O$ 

# **1.6 Empirical Formula and Molecular Formula**

Elemental analysis of a compound gives the mass percentage of atoms present in the compound. Using the mass percentage, we can determine the empirical formula of the compound. Molecular formula of the compound can be arrived at from the empirical formula using the molar mass of the compound.

Empirical formula of a compound is the formula written with the simplest ratio of the number of different atoms present in one molecule of the compound as subscript to the atomic symbol. Molecular formula of a compound is the formula written with the actual number of different atoms present in one molecule as a subscript to the atomic symbol.

Let us understand the empirical formula by considering acetic acid as an example.

The molecular formula of acetic acid is  $C_2H_4O_2$ 

The ratio of C : H : O is 1 : 2 : 1 and hence the empirical formula is  $CH_2O$ .

# **1.6.1 Determination of Empirical Formula from Elemental Analysis Data :**

Step 1: Since the composition is expressed in percentage, we can consider the total mass of the compound as 100 g and the percentage values of individual elements as mass in grams.

Step 2: Divide the mass of each element by its atomic mass. This gives the relative number of moles of various elements in the compound.

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- Step 3: Divide the value of relative number of moles obtained in the step 2 by the smallest number of them to get the simplest ratio.
- Step 4: (only if necessary) in case the simplest ratios obtained in the step 3 are not whole numbers then they may be converted into whole number by multiplying by a suitable smallest number.

#### Example:

 An acid found in Tamarind on analysis shows the following percentage composition: 32 % Carbon; 4 % Hydrogen; 64 % Oxygen. Find the empirical formula of the compound.

| Element | Percentage | molar mass | Relative<br>no. of moles | Simplest ratio          | Simplest ratio<br>(in whole nos) |
|---------|------------|------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| С       | 32         | 12         | $\frac{32}{12} = 2.66$   | $\frac{2.66}{2.66} = 1$ | 2                                |
| Н       | 4          | 1          | $\frac{4}{1} = 4$        | $\frac{4}{2.66} = 1.5$  | 3                                |
| 0       | 64         | 16         | $\frac{64}{16} = 4$      | $\frac{4}{2.66} = 1.5$  | 3                                |

The empirical formula is  $C_2H_3O_3$ 

 An organic compound present in vinegar has 40 % carbon, 6.6 % hydrogen and 53.4 % oxygen. Find the empirical formula of the compound.

| Element | Percentage | Atomic Mass | Relative<br>no. of moles | Simplest ratio        | Simplest ratio<br>(in whole no) |
|---------|------------|-------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
| С       | 40         | 12          | $\frac{40}{12} = 3.3$    | $\frac{3.3}{3.3} = 1$ | 1                               |
| Н       | 6.6        | 1           | $\frac{6.6}{1} = 6.6$    | $\frac{6.6}{3.3} = 2$ | 2                               |
| 0       | 53.4       | 16          | $\frac{53.4}{16} = 3.3$  | $\frac{3.3}{3.3} = 1$ | 1                               |

The empirical formula is  $CH_2O$ 

5) A Compound on analysis gave the following percentage composition C=54.55%, H=9.09%, O=36.36%. Determine the empirical formula of the compound.

**Evaluate Yourself** 

Molecular formula of a compound is a whole number multiple of the empirical formula. The whole number can be calculated from the molar mass of the compound using the following expression

Whole number (n) =  $\frac{\begin{array}{c} \text{Molar mass of the} \\ \text{compound} \\ \hline \\ \text{Calculated} \\ \text{empirical formula} \\ \\ \\ \text{mass} \end{array}}$ 

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| Compound             | Empirical Formula | Molar mass | Empirical<br>Formula mass | Whole number (n)     | Molecular formula   |
|----------------------|-------------------|------------|---------------------------|----------------------|---|
| Acetic acid          | CH <sub>2</sub> O | 60         | 30                        | $\frac{60}{30} = 2$  | (CH <sub>2</sub> O) x 2<br>C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> O <sub>2</sub> |
| Hydrogen<br>Peroxide | ОН                | 34         | 17                        | $\frac{34}{17} = 2$  | (HO) x 2<br>H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>                               |
| Lactic<br>acid       | $CH_2O$           | 90         | 30                        | $\frac{90}{30} = 3$  | (CH <sub>2</sub> O) x 3<br>C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O <sub>3</sub> |
| Tartaric<br>acid     | $C_2H_3O_3$       | 150        | 75                        | $\frac{150}{75} = 2$ | $(C_{2}H_{3}O_{3}) \ge 2$<br>$C_{4}H_{6}O_{6}$                          |
| Benzene              | CH                | 78         | 13                        | $\frac{78}{13} = 6$  | (CH) x 6<br>C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>                               |

**1.6.2 Calculation of Molecular Formula from Empirical Formula:** 

Let us understand the calculations of molecular formula from the following example.

Two organic compounds, one present in vinegar (molar mass: 60 g mol<sup>-1</sup>), another one present in sour milk (molar mass : 90 g mol<sup>-1</sup>) have the following mass percentage composition. C-40%, H-6.6% ; O-53.4%. Find their molecular formula.

Since both compounds have same mass percentage composition, their empirical formula are the same as worked out in the example **problem no 2** . Empirical formula is  $CH_2O$ . Calculated empirical formula mass  $(CH_2O) = 12 + (2 \times 1) + 16 = 30 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$ .

Formula for the compound present in vinegar

n = 
$$\frac{\text{Molar mass}}{\text{calculated empirical}}$$
 =  $\frac{60}{30}$  = 2  
formula mass  
∴ Molecular formula =  $(CH_2O)_2$   
=  $C_2H_4O_2$   
(acitic acid)

Calculation of molecular formula for the compound present in sour milk.

$$n = \frac{Molar mass}{30} = \frac{90}{30} = 3$$

Molecular formula =  $(CH_2O)_3$ 

 $= C_3 H_6 O_3$ 

(lactic acid)

# Evaluate Yourself

- 6) Experimental analysis of a compound containing the elements x,y,z on analysis gave the following data. x = 32 %, y = 24 %, z = 44 %. The relative number of atoms of x, y and z are 2, 1 and 0.5, respectively. (Molecular mass of the compound is 400 g) Find out.
- i) The atomic masses of the element x,y,z.
- ii) Empirical formula of the compound and
- iii) Molecular formula of the compound.

# **1.7 Stoichiometry**

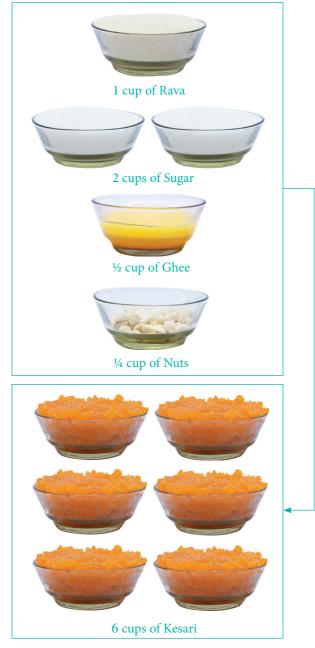
Have you ever noticed the preparation of *kesari* at your home? In one of the popular methods for the preparation of *kesari*, the required ingredients to prepare six cups of *kesari* are as follows.

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1) Rava - 1 cup  
2) Sugar - 2 cups  
3) Ghee - 
$$\frac{1}{2}$$
 cup  
4) Nuts and Dry fruits -  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup  
Otherwise,  
1 cup rava + 2 cups sugar +  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup  
ghee +  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup nuts and dry fruits  
 $\Rightarrow$  6 cups kesari.

From the above information, we will be able to calculate the amount of



ingredients that are required for the preparation of 3 cups of kesari as follows

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$$\frac{1 \text{ cup rava}}{6 \text{ cups kesari}} \times 3 \text{ cups kesari} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ cup rava}$$

Alternatively, we can calculate the amount of kesari obtained from 3 cups rava as below.

 $\frac{6 \text{ cups kesari}}{1 \text{ cup rava}} \times \frac{3}{3 \text{ cups rava}} = 18 \text{ cups kesari}$ 

Similarly, we can calculate the required quantity of other ingredients too.

We can extend this concept to perform stoichiometric calculations for a chemical reaction. In Greek, *stoicheion* means element and *metron* means measure that is, **stoichiometry gives the numerical relationship between chemical quantities in a balanced chemical equation**. By applying the concept of stoichiometry, we can calculate the amount of reactants required to prepare a specific amount of a product and vice versa using balanced chemical equation.

Let us consider the following chemical reaction.

 $C(s) + O_2(g) \rightarrow CO_2(g)$ 

From this equation, we learnt that 1 mole of carbon reacts with 1 mole of oxygen molecule to form 1 mole of carbon dioxide.

1 mole of C  $\equiv$  1 mole of O<sub>2</sub>

 $\equiv 1 \text{ mole of CO}_2$ 

The symbol '≡' means 'stoichiometrically equal to'

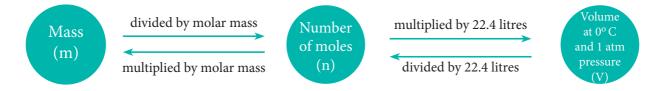
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# **1.7.1 Stoichiometric Calculations:**

Stoichiometry is the quantitative relationship between reactants and products in a balanced chemical equation in moles. The quantity of reactants and products can be expressed in moles or in terms of mass unit or as volume. These three units are inter convertible.

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Let us explain these conversions by considering the combustion reaction of methane as an example. The balanced chemical equation is,

| $CH_4(g) + 2 O_2(g) \rightarrow CO_2(g) + 2 H_2O(g)$   |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| Content  | React  | ants   | Products   |  |
|  | $CH_4(g)$  | O <sub>2</sub> (g)                               | CO <sub>2</sub> (g)                              | $H_2O(g)$  |
| Stoichiometric coefficients  | 1  | 2  | 1  | 2  |
| Mole-mole relationship   | 1 mole   | 2 moles  | 1 mole   | 2 moles  |
| Mass-mass relationship = no. of<br>mole × molar mass   | 1 mol ×<br>16 g mol <sup>-1</sup><br><b>16 g</b> | 2 mol ×<br>32 g mol <sup>-1</sup><br><b>64 g</b> | 1 mol ×<br>44 g mol <sup>-1</sup><br><b>44 g</b> | 2 mol ×<br>18 g mol <sup>-1</sup><br><b>36 g</b> |
| mass - volume relationship<br>mass of reactants = No. of moles ×<br>molar mass of reactants<br>Volume of product (1 mole of any<br>gas occupy a volume of 22.4 litre<br>at 273 K and 1 atm pressure) | 16 g   | 64 g   | 22. 4 L  | 44.8 L   |
| Volume - volume<br>relationship  | 1 × 22.4 L<br>22.4 L                             | 2 × 22.4 L<br>44.8 L                             | 1 × 22.4 L<br>22. 4 L                            | 2 × 22.4 L<br>44. 8 L                            |

 $\operatorname{CH}_4(g) + 2\operatorname{O}_2(g) \to \operatorname{CO}_2(g) + 2\operatorname{H}_2\operatorname{O}(g)$ 

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# **Calculations based on Stoichiometry**

1. How many moles of hydrogen is required to produce 10 moles of ammonia?

The balanced stoichiometric equation for the formation of ammonia is

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 $N_2(g) + 3 H_2(g) \rightarrow 2 NH_3(g)$ 

As per the stoichiometric equation,

to produce 2 moles of ammonia, 3 moles of hydrogen are required

: to produce 10 moles of ammonia,

 $\frac{3 \text{ moles of H}_2}{2 \text{ moles of NH}_3} \times \frac{5}{10 \text{ moles of NH}_3}$ 

- = 15 moles of hydrogen are required.
- 2. Calculate the amount of water produced by the combustion of 32 g of methane.

 $CH_4(g) + 2O_2(g) \rightarrow CO_2(g) + 2H_2O(g)$ 

As per the stoichiometric equation,

Combustion of 1 mole (16 g)  $CH_4$ produces 2 moles (2 × 18 = 36 g) of water.

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{CH}_{4} \\ (12) + (4 \times 1) &= 16 \text{ g mol}^{-1} \\ \text{H}_{2}\text{O} \\ (2 \times 1) + (1 \times 16) &= 18 \text{ g mol}^{-1} \end{array}$$

Combustion of 32 g  $CH_4$  produces

 $\frac{36 \text{ g H}_2\text{O}}{16 \text{ g CH}_4} \times \frac{2}{32 \text{ g CH}_4} = 72 \text{ g of water}$ 

3. How much volume of carbon dioxide is produced when 50 g of calcium carbonate is heated completely under standard conditions?

The balanced chemical equation is,

$$CaCO_{3(s)} \xrightarrow{\Delta} CaO_{(s)} + CO_{2(g)}$$

As per the stoichiometric equation,

1 mole (100g)  $CaCO_3$  on heating produces 1 mole  $CO_2$ 

$$\begin{array}{c} CaCO_{3} \\ (40) + (12) + (3 \times 16) = 100 \text{ g mol}^{-1} \end{array}$$

At STP, 1 mole of  $CO_2$  occupies a volume of 22.7 litres

∴ At STP, 50 g of CaCO<sub>3</sub> on heating produces,

$$\frac{22.7 \text{ litres of } CO_2}{100 \text{ g CaCO}_3} \times 50 \text{ g CaCO}_3$$
  
= 11.35 litres of CO<sub>2</sub>

4. How much volume of chlorine is required to form 11.2 L of HCl at 273 K and 1 atm pressure ?

The balanced equation for the formation of HCl is

 $H_{2}(g) + Cl_{2}(g) \rightarrow 2 HCl(g)$ 

As per the stoichiometric equation,

under given conditions,

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To produce 2 moles of HCl, 1 mole of chlorine gas is required

To produce 44.8 litres of HCl, 22.4 litres of chlorine gas are required.

.: To produce 11.2 litres of HCl,

 $\frac{22.4 \text{ L Cl}_2}{44.8 \text{ L of HCl}} \times \frac{11.2 \text{ L of HCl}}{4}$ 

- = 5.6 litres of chlorine are required.
- 5. Calculate the percentage composition of the elements present in magnesium carbonate. How many kilogram of  $CO_2$ can be obtained by heating 1 kg of 90 % pure magnesium carbonate.

The balanced chemical equation is

$$MgCO_3 \longrightarrow MgO + CO_2$$

Molar mass of  $MgCO_3$  is 84 g mol<sup>-1</sup>.

84 g  $MgCO_3$  contain 24 g of Magnesium.

: 100 g of MgCO<sub>3</sub> contain

$$\frac{24 \text{ g Mg}}{84 \text{ g MgCO}_3} \times \frac{1.19}{100 \text{ g MgCO}_3}$$

= 28.57 g Mg.

i.e. percentage of magnesium

84 g MgCO<sub>3</sub> contain 12 g of carbon

 $MgCO_{3}$ (24) + (12) + (3 × 16) = 84 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

∴ 100 g MgCO<sub>3</sub> contain

 $\frac{12 \text{ g C}}{84 \text{ g MgCO}_3} \times \frac{1.19}{100 \text{ g MgCO}_3}$ 

- = 14.29 g of carbon.
- .: Percentage of carbon

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= 14.29 %.

84 g MgCO<sub>3</sub> contain 48 g of oxygen

$$\frac{48 \text{ g O}}{84 \text{ g MgCO}_3} \times \frac{1.19}{100 \text{ g MgCO}_3}$$

= 57.14 g of oxygen.

.: Percentage of oxygen

As per the stoichiometric equation,

84 g of 100 % pure  ${\rm MgCO}_3$  on heating gives 44 g of  ${\rm CO}_2.$ 

 $\therefore$  1000 g of 90 % pure MgCO<sub>3</sub> gives

$$= \frac{44 \text{ g}}{84 \text{ g} \times 100 \%} \times 90 \% \times 1000 \text{ g}$$
  
= 471.43 g of CO<sub>2</sub>  
= 0.471 kg of CO<sub>2</sub>

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# **1.7.2 Limiting Reagents:**

Earlier. learnt that we the stoichiometry concept is useful in predicting the amount of product formed in a given chemical reaction. If the reaction is carried out with stoichiometric quantities of reactants, then all the reactants will be converted into products. On the other hand, when a reaction is carried out using non-stoichiometric quantities of the reactants, the product yield will be determined by the reactant that is completely consumed. It limits the further reaction from taking place and is called as the limiting reagent. The other reagents which are in excess are called the excess reagents.

Recall the analogy that we used in stoichiometry concept i.e. kesari preparation,

As per the recipe requirement, 2 cups of sugar are needed for every cup of rava. Consider a situation where 8 cups of sugar and 3 cups of rava are available (all other ingredients are in excess), as per the cooking recipe, we require 3 cups of rava and 6 cups of sugar to prepare 18 cups of kesari. Even though we have 2 more cups of sugar left, we cannot make any more quantity of Kesari as there is no rava available and hence rava limits the quantity of Kesari in this case. Extending this analogy for the chemical reaction in which three moles of sulphur are allowed to react with twelve moles of fluorine to give sulfur hexafluoride.

The balanced equation for this reaction is,  $S + 3F_2 \rightarrow SF_6$ 

# Evaluate Yourself



7) The balanced equation for a reaction is given below

 $2x+3y \rightarrow 4l + m$ 

When 8 moles of x react with 15 moles of y, then

- i) Which is the limiting reagent?
- ii) Calculate the amount of products formed.
- iii)Calculate the amount of excess reactant left at the end of the reaction.

#### As per the stoichiometry,

1 mole of sulphur reacts with 3 moles of fluorine to form 1 mole of sulphur hexafluoride and therefore 3 moles of sulphur reacts with 9 moles of fluorine to form 3 moles of sulphur hexafluoride. In this case, all available sulphur gets consumed and therefore it limits the further reaction. Hence sulphur is the limiting reagent and fluorine is the excess reagent. The remaining three moles of fluorine are in excess and do not react.

Urea, a commonly used nitrogen based fertilizer, is prepared by the reaction between ammonia and carbon dioxide as follows.

$$O \\ | | \\ 2 \text{ NH}_3(g) + \text{CO}_2(g) \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{N}-\text{C}-\text{NH}_2(aq) + \text{H}_2O(l) \\ \text{Urea}$$

In a process, 646 g of ammonia is allowed to react with 1.144 kg of  $CO_2$  to form urea.

1) If the entire quantity of all the reactants is not consumed in the reaction

which is the limiting reagent ?

2) Calculate the quantity of urea formed and unreacted quantity of the excess reagent.

The balanced equation is

$$2 \text{ NH}_3 + \text{CO}_2$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$H_2\text{NCONH}_2 + H_2\text{O}$$

Answer :

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1. The entire quantity of ammonia is consumed in the reaction. So

ammonia is the limiting reagent. Some quantity of  $CO_2$  remains unreacted, so  $CO_2$  is the excess reagent.

- 2) Quantity of urea formed
  - number of moles of urea formed
     × molar mass of urea
  - =  $19 \text{ moles} \times 60 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$
  - = 1140 g = 1.14 kg

Excess reagent leftover at the end of the reaction is carbon dioxide.

Amount of carbon dioxide leftover

- = number of moles of  $CO_2$  left over × molar mass of  $CO_2$
- =  $7 \text{ moles} \times 44 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$
- = 308 g.

|   | Read                                | ctants                               | Prod     | lucts            |
|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------|------------------|
|   | NH <sub>3</sub>                     | CO <sub>2</sub>                      | Urea     | H <sub>2</sub> O |
| Stoichiometric coefficients   | 2                                   | 1                                    | 1        | 1                |
| Number of moles of reactants al-<br>lowed to react<br>$n = \frac{Mass}{Molar mass}$ | $\frac{646}{17} = 38 \text{ moles}$ | $\frac{1144}{44} = 26 \text{ moles}$ | _        | -                |
| Actual number of moles<br>consumed during reaction Ratio<br>(2 : 1)                 | 38 moles                            | 19 moles                             | -        | -                |
| No. of moles of product thus formed   | _                                   | -                                    | 19 moles | 19 moles         |
| No. of moles of reactant left at the end of the reaction                            | _                                   | 7 moles                              | _        | -                |

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# **1.8 Redox Reactions**

When an apple is cut, it turns brown after sometime. Do you know the reason behind this colour change? It is because of a chemical reaction called oxidation. We come across oxidation reactions in our daily life. For example 1) burning of LPG gas 2) rusting of iron



# Fig. 1.4 Oxidation reactions in daily life

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3) Oxidation of carbohydrates, lipids, etc. into  $CO_2$  and  $H_2O$  to produce energy in the living organisms.

All oxidation reactions are accompanied by reduction reactions and vice versa. Such reactions are called redox reactions. As per the classical concept, addition of oxygen (or) removal of hydrogen is called oxidation and the reverse is called reduction.

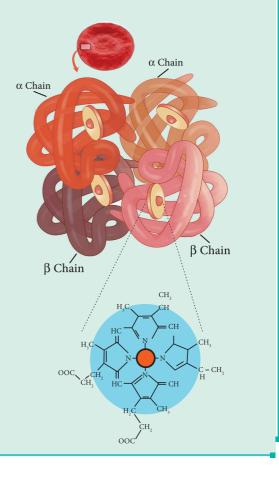
# Haemoglobin and oxygen transport

Even a small amount of oxygen present in air leads to the rusting of iron, i.e. iron is oxidised to  $Fe^{3+}$ .

But the Fe<sup>2+</sup> present in haemoglobin which binds oxygen during transport of oxygen from lungs to tissues never gets oxidised. Do you know why?

The answer lies in the structural features of haemoglobin. Haemoglobin contains four sub units each with a porphyrin ring (heme) attached to the protein (globin) molecule. In this structure, the iron  $(Fe^{2+})$  forms a co-ordination complex with an octahedral geometry. The four positions of the octahedron are occupied by porphyrin rings, fifth position is filled by imidazole ring of a histidine residue and the sixth position is utilized for binding the oxygen molecule. Generally the Fe<sup>2+</sup> in heme is susceptible to oxidation. Since the Fe<sup>2+</sup> ion in haemoglobin is surrounded by the globin protein chain that provides a hydrophobic environment, the oxidation of Fe<sup>2+</sup> becomes difficult. However, 3% of haemoglobin is oxidised to methemoglobin (haemoglobin where the iron is present in Fe<sup>3+</sup> state and oxygen does not bind to this) daily. The enzyme methemoglobin reductase reduces it back to haemoglobin.

**Cyanide poisoning**: While oxygen binds reversibly to haemoglobin, cyanide binds irreversibly to haemoglobin and blocks oxygen binding. As a result the transport of oxygen from the lungs to tissues is stopped. It leads to the quick death of the person.



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Consider the following two reactions.

Reaction 1 : 4 Fe +  $3O_2 \rightarrow 2 Fe_2O_3$ 

Reaction 2 :  $H_2S + Cl_2 \rightarrow 2 HCl + S$ 

Both these reactions are oxidation reactions as per the classical concept.

In the first reaction which is responsible for the rusting of iron, the oxygen adds on to the metal, iron. In the second reaction, hydrogen is removed from Hydrogen sulphide ( $H_2S$ ). Identity which species gets reduced.

Consider the following two reactions in which the removal of oxygen and addition of hydrogen take place respectively. These reactions are called reduction reactions as per the classical concept.

 $CuO + C \rightarrow Cu + CO$  (Removal of oxygen from cupric oxide)

 $S + H_2 \rightarrow H_2S$  (Addition of hydrogen to sulphur).

Oxidation-reduction reactions i.e. redox reactions are not always associated with oxygen or hydrogen. In such cases, the process can be explained on the basis of electrons. The reaction involving loss of electron is termed oxidation and gain of electron is termed reduction.

# For example,

 $Fe^{2+} \rightarrow Fe^{3+} + e^{-}$  (loss of electron-oxidation).

 $Cu^{2+}+2e^{-} \rightarrow Cu$  (gain of electron-reduction)

Redox reactions can be better explained using oxidation numbers.

## **1.8.1 Oxidation Number:**

It is defined as the imaginary charge left on the atom when all other atoms of the compound have been removed in their usual oxidation states that are assigned according to set of rules. A term that is often used interchangeably with oxidation number is oxidation state

1) The oxidation state of a free element (i.e. in its uncombined state) is zero.

**Example :** each atom in  $H_2$ ,  $Cl_2$ , Na,  $S_8$  have the oxidation number of zero.

2) For a monatomic ion, the oxidation state is equal to the net charge on the ion.

**Example :** The oxidation number of sodium in Na<sup>+</sup> is +1.

The oxidation number of chlorine in  $Cl^-$  is -1.

3) The algebric sum of oxidation states of all atoms in a molecule is equal to zero, while in ions, it is equal to the net charge on the ion.

# **Example:**

In  $H_2SO_4$ ; 2 × (oxidation number of hydrogen) + (oxidation number of S) + 4 (oxidation number of oxygen) = 0.

In SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>; (oxidation number of S) + 4 (oxidation number of oxygen) = -2.

 4) Hydrogen has an oxidation number of +1 in all its compounds except in metal hydrides where it has -1 value.

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**Example:** 

Oxidation number of hydrogen in hydrogen chloride (HCl) is + 1.

Oxidation number of hydrogen in sodium hydride (NaH) is -1.

- 5) Fluorine has an oxidation state of 1 in all its compounds.
- 6) The oxidation state of oxygen in most compounds is -2. Exceptions are peroxides, super oxides and compounds with fluorine.

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Example : Oxidation number of oxygen,

- i) in water  $(H_2O)$  is -2.
- ii) in hydrogen peroxide  $(H_2O_2)$  is -1.  $2(+1) + 2x = 0; \implies 2x = -2; \implies x = -1$ iii) in super oxides such as  $KO_2$  is  $-\frac{1}{2}$   $+1 + 2x = 0; \qquad 2x = -1; \qquad x = -\frac{1}{2}$ iv) in oxygen difluoride  $(OF_2)$  is +2.  $x + 2(-1) = 0; \qquad x = +2$
- 7) Alkali metals have an oxidation state of + 1 and alkaline earth metals have an oxidation state of + 2 in all their compounds.

# Calculation of oxidation number using the above rules.

| Sl.No | Oxidation number of the element | In the compound                              | Calculatio                              | on                   |
|-------|---------------------------------|--|---|----------------------|
| 1     | С                               | CO <sub>2</sub>                              | x + 2 (- 2)<br>x                        | = 0<br>= +4          |
| 2     | S                               | H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>               | 2 (+ 1) + x + 4 (- 2)<br>2 + x - 8<br>x | = 0<br>= 0<br>= +6   |
| 3     | Cr                              | Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub> <sup>2–</sup> | 2x+7(-2)<br>2x-14<br>x                  | = -2<br>= -2<br>= +6 |
| 4     | С                               | CH <sub>2</sub> F <sub>2</sub>               | x+2(+1)+2(-1)<br>x                      | = 0<br>= 0           |
| 5     | S                               | SO <sub>2</sub>                              | x+ 2(-2)<br>x                           | = 0<br>= +4          |

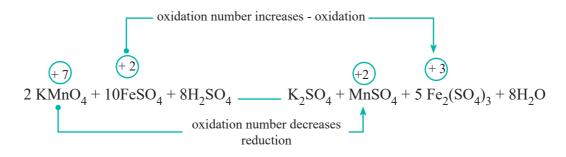
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# Redox reactions in terms of oxidation numbers

During redox reactions, the oxidation number of elements changes. A reaction in which oxidation number of the element increases is called oxidation. A reaction in which it decreases is called reduction.

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Consider the following reaction



In this reaction, manganese in potassium permanganate ( $KMnO_4$ ) favours the oxidation of ferrous sulphate ( $FeSO_4$ ) into ferric sulphate ( $Fe_2(SO_4)_3$  by gaining electrons and thereby gets reduced. Such reagents are called oxidising agents or oxidants. Similarly , the reagents which facilitate reduction by releasing electrons and get oxidised are called reducing agents.

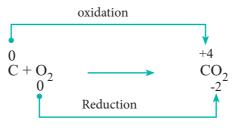
# **1.8.2 Types of Redox Reactions**

Redox reactions are classified into the following types.

# **1. Combination reactions:**

Redox reactions in which two substances combine to form a single compound are called combination reaction.

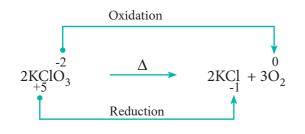
# **Example:**



# 2. Decomposition reactions:

Redox reactions in which a compound breaks down into two or more components are called decomposition reactions. These reactions are opposite to combination reactions. In these reactions, the oxidation number of the different elements in the same substance is changed.  $( \bullet )$ 

**Example:** 



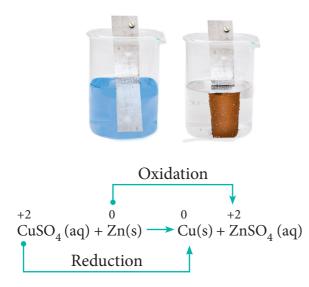
# 3. Displacement reactions:

Redox reactions in which an ion (or an atom) in a compound is replaced by an ion (or atom) of another element are called displacement reactions. They are further classified into (i) metal displacement reactions (ii) non-metal displacement reactions.

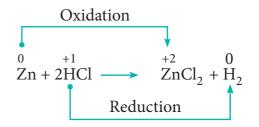
# (i) Metal displacement reactions:

Place a zinc metal strip in an aqueous copper sulphate solution taken in a beaker. Observe the solution, the intensity of blue colour of the solution slowly reduced and finally disappeared.

The zinc metal strip became coated with brownish metallic copper. This is due to the following metal displacement reaction.



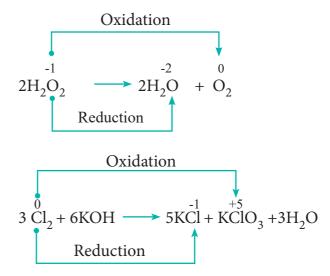
## ii) Non-metal displacement



# 4. Disproportionation reaction (Auto redox reactions)

In some redox reactions, the same compound can undergo both oxidation and reduction. In such reactions, the oxidation state of one and the same element is both increased and decreased. These reactions are called disproportionation reactions.

# **Examples:**



## 5. Competitive electron transfer reaction

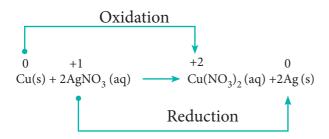
In metal displacement reactions, we learnt that zinc replaces copper from copper sulphate solution. Let us examine whether the reverse reaction takes place or not. As discussed earlier, place a metallic copper strip in zinc sulphate solution. If copper replaces zinc from zinc sulphate solution,  $Cu^{2+}$  ions would be released into the solution and the colour of the solution  $( \bullet )$ 

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would change to blue. But no such change is observed. Therefore, we conclude that among zinc and copper, zinc has more tendency to release electrons and copper to accept the electrons.

Let us extend the reaction to copper metal and silver nitrate solution. Place a strip of metallic copper in sliver nitrate solution taken in a beaker. After some time, the solution slowly turns blue. This is due to the formation of  $Cu^{2+}$  ions, i.e. copper replaces silver from silver nitrate. The reaction is,





It indicates that between copper and silver, copper has the tendency to release electrons and silver to accept electrons.

From the above experimental observations, we can conclude that among the three metals, namely, zinc, copper and silver, the electron releasing tendency is in the following order.

This kind of competition for electrons among various metals helps us to design (galvanic) cells. In XII standard we will study the galvanic cell in detail.

# 1.8.3. Balancing (the Equation) of Redox Reactions

The two methods for balancing the equation of redox reactions are as follows.

- i) The oxidation number method
- ii) Ion-electron method / half reaction method.

Both are based on the same principle: In oxidation - reduction reactions the total number of electrons donated by the reducing agent is equal to the total number of electrons gained by the oxidising agent.

# Oxidation number method

In this method, the number of electrons lost or gained in the reaction is calculated from the oxidation numbers of elements before and after the reaction. Let us consider the oxidation of ferrous sulphate by potassium permanganate in acid medium. The unbalanced chemical equation is,

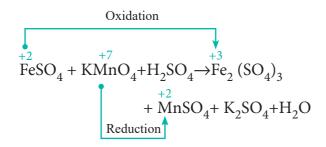
 $FeSO_4 + KMnO_4 + H_2SO_4 \rightarrow Fe_2(SO_4)_3 + MnSO_4 + K_2SO_4 + H_2O$ 

# Step 1

Using oxidation number concept, identify the reactants (atom) which undergo oxidation and reduction.

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- a) The oxidation number of Mn in  $KMnO_4$  changes from +7 to +2 by gaining five electrons.
- b) The oxidation number of Fe in  $FeSO_4$ changes from +2 to +3 by loosing one electron.

#### Step 2

Since, the total number of electrons lost is equal to the total number of electrons gained, equate, the number of electrons, by cross multiplication of the respective formula with suitable integers on reactant side as below. Here, the product  $Fe_2(SO_4)_3$  contains 2 moles of iron, So, the Coefficients  $1e^- \& 5e^-$  are multiplied by the number '2'

$$\begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} +2 \\ \text{FeSO}_4 + \text{KMnO}_4 + \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \rightarrow \text{Fe}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3 \\ \hline \\ 1 \underline{e^- \times 2}_2 \\ 2 \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} +2 \\ + \text{MnSO}_4 \\ + \text{K}_2\text{SO}_4 + \text{H}_2\text{O} \\ \hline \\ 10 \end{array}$$

# Step 3 Balance the reactant / Product -Oxidised / reduced

Now, based on the reactant side, balance the products (ie oxidised and reduced).The above equation becomes  $10\text{FeSO}_4 + 2\text{KMnO}_4 + \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \rightarrow 5\text{Fe}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3 + 2\text{MnSO}_4 + \text{K}_2\text{SO}_4 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ 

**Step 4** Balance the other elements except H and O atoms. In this case, we have to balance K and S atoms but K is balanced automatically.

Reactant Side : 10 'S' atoms (10  $\text{FeSO}_{A}$ )

Product Side : 18 'S' atoms

 $5Fe_2(SO_4)_3 + 2MnSO_4 + K_2SO_4$ 15S + 2S + 1S = 18S

Therefore the difference 8-S atoms in reactant side, has to be balanced by multiplying  $H_2SO_4$  by '8' The equation now becomes,

 $10\text{FeSO}_4 + 2\text{KMnO}_4 + 8\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \rightarrow 5\text{Fe}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3$  $+ 2\text{MnSO}_4 + \text{K}_2\text{SO}_4 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ 

# Step 5

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Balancing 'H' and 'O' atoms

Reactant side '16'-H atoms  $(8H_2SO_4 i.e. 8 \times 2H = 16 'H')$ 

Product side '2' - H atoms (H<sub>2</sub>O i.e. 1 x 2H = 2 'H')

Therefore, multiply  $H_2O$  molecules in the product side by '8'

10 FeSO<sub>4</sub>+2 KMnO<sub>4</sub>+8 H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> → 5 Fe<sub>2</sub>(SO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub> + 2 MnSO<sub>4</sub> + K<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> + 8H<sub>2</sub>O

The oxygen atom is automatically balanced. This is the balanced equation.

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#### Ion - Electron method

This method is used for ionic redox reactions.

#### Step 1

Using oxidation number concept, find out the reactants which undergo oxidation and reduction.

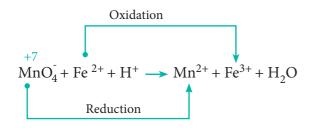
# Step 2

Write two separate half equations for oxidation and reduction reaction,

Let us consider the same example which we have already discussed in oxidation number method.

 $KMnO_4 + FeSO_4 + H_2SO_4 \rightarrow$  $MnSO_4 + Fe_2(SO_4)_3 + K_2SO_4 + H_2O_4$ 

The ionic form of this reaction is,



The two half reactions are,

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 $MnO_4^- + 5e^- \rightarrow Mn^{2+}$ (2)

Balance the atoms and charges on both sides of the half reactions.

Equation (1) $\Rightarrow$  No changes i.e.,

Equation (2) $\Rightarrow$  4'O' on the reactant side, therefore add 4H<sub>2</sub>O on the product side, to balance 'H' - add, 8H<sup>+</sup> in the reactant side

$$MnO_{4}^{-} + 5e^{-} + 8H^{+} \rightarrow Mn^{2+} + 4H_{2}O^{----}$$
 (3)

#### Step 3

Equate both half reactions such that the number of electrons lost is equal to number of electrons gained.

Addition of two half reactions gives the balanced equation represented by equation (6).

(1) x 5 
$$\Rightarrow$$
 5Fe<sup>2+</sup>  $\rightarrow$  5Fe<sup>3+</sup> + 5e<sup>-</sup> ------ (4)  
(3) x 1  $\Rightarrow$  MnO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> + 5e<sup>+</sup> + 8H<sup>+</sup>  $\rightarrow$  Mn<sup>2+</sup> + 4H<sub>2</sub>O ------(5)  
(4) + (5) 5Fe<sup>2+</sup> + MnO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> + 8H<sup>+</sup>  $\rightarrow$  5Fe<sup>3+</sup> + Mn<sup>2+</sup> + 4H<sub>2</sub>O------(6)

Evaluate Yourself

8) Balance the following equation using oxidation number method  $As_2S_3 + HNO_3 + H_2O \rightarrow H_3AsO_4 + H_2SO_4 + NO$ 

# SUMMARY 🐠

Chemistry plays a major role in providing needs of human life in our dayto-day life. All things that we come across in life are made of matter. Anything that has mass and occupies space is called matter. Matter is classified based on the physical state and by chemical composition. An element consists of only one type of atom. Compounds contain two or more atoms of same or different elements and their properties are different from those of its constituent elements.

Atoms are too small to measure their masses directly. The IUPAC introduced relative scale of mass based on a standard atom C-12. One twelfth of the mass of a Carbon-12 atom in its ground state is called as Unified atomic mass. 1 amu (or)  $1u \approx 1.6605 \times 10^{-27}$  kg. Relative atomic mass is defined as the ratio of the average atomic mass to the unified atomic mass unit. Average atomic mass of an element is the average of the atomic masses of all its naturally occurring isotopes. Molecular mass is the ratio of the mass of a molecule to the unified atomic mass unit. Relative molecular mass is obtained by adding the relative atomic masses of its constituent atoms.

Amounts of substances are usually expressed in moles. A mole is the amount of substance which contains as many elementary entities as there are in 12 gram of Carbon- 12 isotope. Avogadro number is the total number of entities present in one mole of any substance and is equal to  $6.022 \times 10^{23}$ . Molar mass is the mass of one mole of that substance expressed in

g mol<sup>-1</sup>. One mole of an ideal gas occupies a volume of 22.4 litre at 273 K and 1 atm pressure. Similar to the mole concept, the concept of equivalent mass is also used in analytical chemistry. Gram equivalent mass is the mass of an element (compound/ ion) that combines or displaces 1.008 g hydrogen, 8 g oxygen or 35.5 g chlorine. Elemental analysis of a compound gives the mass percentage of atoms from which empirical and molecular formula are calculated. Empirical formula is the simplest ratio of the number of different atoms present in one molecule of the compound. Molecular formula is the formula written with the actual number of different atoms present in one molecule. quantitative relationship between А reactants and products can be understood from stoichiometry. Stoichiometry gives numerical relationship between the chemical quantities in a balanced equation. When a reaction is carried out using nonstoichiometric quantities of the reactants, the product yield will be determined by the reactant that is completely consumed and is called the limiting reagent. It limits the further reaction to take place. The other reagent which is in excess is called the excess reagent.

The reaction involving loss of electron is oxidation and gain of electron is reduction. Usually both these reactions take place simultaneously and are called as redox reactions. These redox reactions can be explained using oxidation number concept. Oxidation number is the imaginary charge left on the atom when all other atoms of the compound have

been removed in their usual oxidation states. A reaction in which oxidation number of the element increases is called oxidation and decreases is called reduction.

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# Redox reactions in which

- two substances combine to form compound are called combination reaction.
- a compound breaks down into two (or) more components is called decomposition reaction
- an ion (or atom) in a compound is replaced by an atom (or ion) of another element are called displacement reactions
- the same compound can undergo both oxidation and reduction and the oxidation state of one and the same element is both increased and decreased called disproportionate reactions.
- competition for electrons occurs between various metals is called competitive electron transfer reactions.

The equation of redox reaction is balanced either by oxidation number method or by ion-electron method.

# **EVALUATION**

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- 1. 40 ml of methane is completely burnt using 80 ml of oxygen at room temperature The volume of gas left after cooling to room temperature is
  - (a) 40 ml  $CO_2$  gas (b) 40 ml  $CO_2$  gas and 80 ml  $H_2O$  gas
  - (c) 60 ml CO<sub>2</sub> gas and 60 ml H<sub>2</sub>O gas (d) 120 ml CO<sub>2</sub> gas
- 2. An element X has the following isotopic composition  ${}^{200}X = 90$  %,  ${}^{199}X = 8$  % and  ${}^{202}X = 2$  %. The weighted average atomic mass of the element X is closest to
  - (a) 201 u (b) 202 u
  - (c) 199 u (d) 200 u
- 3. Assertion : Two mole of glucose contains  $12.044 \times 10^{23}$  molecules of glucose
  - Reason : Total number of entities present in one mole of any substance is equal to  $6.02 \times 10^{22}$
  - (a) both assertion and reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of assertion
  - (b) both assertion and reason are true but reason is not the correct explanation of assertion
  - (c) assertion is true but reason is false
  - (d) both assertion and reason are false
- 4. Carbon forms two oxides, namely carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide. The equivalent mass of which element remains constant?
  - (a) Carbon (b) oxygen
  - (c) both carbon and oxygen (d) neither carbon nor oxygen
- 5. The equivalent mass of a trivalent metal element is 9 g eq<sup>-1</sup> the molar mass of its anhydrous oxide is
  - (a) 102 g (b) 27 g (c) 270 g (d) 78 g

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6. The number of water molecules in a drop of water weighing 0.018 g is

| (a) $6.022 \times 10^{26}$ | (b) $6.022 \times 10^{23}$ |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| (c) $6.022 \times 10^{20}$ | (d) $9.9 \times 10^{22}$   |

7. 1 g of an impure sample of magnesium carbonate (containing no thermally decomposable impurities) on complete thermal decomposition gave 0.44 g of carbon dioxide gas. The percentage of impurity in the sample is

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(a) 0 % (b) 4.4 % (c) 16 % (d) 8.4 %

- 8. When 6.3 g of sodium bicarbonate is added to 30 g of acetic acid solution, the residual solution is found to weigh 33 g. The number of moles of carbon dioxide released in the reaction is
  - (a) 3 (b) 0.75 (c) 0.075 (d) 0.3
- 9. When 22.4 litres of H<sub>2</sub> (g) is mixed with 11.2 litres of Cl<sub>2</sub> (g), each at 273 K at 1 atm the moles of HCl (g), formed is equal to

| (a) 2 moles of HCl (g)   | (b) 0.5 moles of HCl (g) |  |  |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|
| (c) 1.5 moles of HCl (g) | (d) 1 moles of HCl (g)   |  |  |

- 10. Hot concentrated sulphuric acid is a moderately strong oxidising agent. Which of the following reactions does not show oxidising behaviour?
  - (a)  $Cu+ 2H_2SO_4 \rightarrow CuSO_4 + SO_2 + 2H_2O$ (b)  $C+ 2H_2SO_4 \rightarrow CO_2 + 2SO_2 + 2H_2O$ (c)  $BaCl_2 + H_2SO_4 \rightarrow BaSO_4 + 2HCl$ (d) none of the above

11. Choose the disproportionation reaction among the following redox reactions.

| ( | a) $3Mg(s) + N_2(g)$                                | $\rightarrow$ | $Mg_3N_2(s)$               |
|---|---|---------------|----------------------------|
| ( | b) $P_4(s) + 3 \text{ NaOH} + 3 \text{H}_2\text{O}$ | $\rightarrow$ | $PH_3(g) + 3NaH_2PO_2(aq)$ |
| ( | c) $Cl_{2}(g) + 2KI(aq)$                            | $\rightarrow$ | 2KCl(aq) + I <sub>2</sub>  |
| ( | d) $Cr_2O_3(s) + 2Al(s)$                            | $\rightarrow$ | $Al_2O_3(s) + 2Cr(s)$      |

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| 12. | The equivalent mass of potassium permanganate in alkaline medium is    |                                    |                               |          |   |
|-----|--|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------|---|
|     | $MnO_4^- + 2H_2O + 3e^- \rightarrow MnO_2 + 4OH^-$                     |                                    |                               |          |   |
|     | (a) 31.6   | (b) 52.7                           | (c) 79                        | (        | d) None of these                                    |
| 13. | Which one of   | the following                      | represents 1                  | 180g of  | f water?  |
|     | (a) 5 Moles of   | water                              |                               | (b) 9    | 90 moles of water                                   |
|     | (c) $\frac{6.022 \times 10^{23}}{180}$                                 | molecules of w                     | vater                         | (d) 6    | 5.022x10 <sup>24</sup> molecules of water           |
| 14. | 7.5 g of a gas o   | ccupies a volu                     | ume of 5.6 li                 | itres at | 0° C and 1 atm pressure. The gas is                 |
|     | (a) NO   | (b) N <sub>2</sub> O               | (c) CO                        | (d)      | CO <sub>2</sub>                                     |
| 15. | Total number   | of electrons p                     | resent in 1.7                 | 7 g of a | ummonia is  |
|     | (a) $6.022 \times 10^{23}$   | ;                                  |                               | (b) •    | $\frac{5.022 \times 10^{22}}{1.7}$                  |
|     | (c) $\frac{6.022 \times 10^{24}}{1.7}$                                 |                                    |                               |          | $\frac{5.022 \times 10^{23}}{1.7}$                  |
|     | 1.7  |                                    |                               |          | 1.7   |
| 16. |  | -                                  |                               | ation    | state of sulphur in the anions                      |
|     | SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> , SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>2-</sup> , S      | $S_2O_4^{2-}, S_2O_6^{2-}$         | is                            |          |   |
|     | (a) $SO_3^{2-} < SO_4$   | $s^{2-} < S_2 O_4^{2-} < S_2^{2-}$ | $S_2O_6^{2-}$                 | (b)      | $SO_4^{2-} < S_2O_4^{2-} < S_2O_6^{2-} < SO_3^{2-}$ |
|     | $(c) S_2 O_4^{2-} < SO$  | $_{3}^{2} < S_{2}O_{6}^{2} <$      | SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> | (d)      | $S_2O_6^{2-} < S_2O_4^{2-} < SO_4^{2-} < SO_3^{2-}$ |
| 17. | 7. The equivalent mass of ferrous oxalate is                           |                                    |                               |          |   |
|     | (a) <u>molar mas</u>   | ss of ferrous o                    | xalate                        | (b) –    | molar mass of ferrous oxalate<br>2                  |
|     | (c) molar mas  | ss of ferrous of 3                 | xalate                        | (d) n    | one of these  |
| 18. |  |                                    |                               |          |   |
|     | (a) the ratio of chemical species to each other in a balanced equation |                                    |                               |          |   |
|     | (b) the ratio of elements to each other in a compound                  |                                    |                               |          |   |
|     | (c) the definition   | on of mass in                      | units of gra                  | ms       |   |
|     | (d) the mass of  | one mole of c                      | carbon                        |          |   |
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Two 22.4 litre containers A and B contains 8 g of O<sub>2</sub> and 8 g of SO<sub>2</sub> respectively at 273 K and 1 atm pressure, then

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- (a) Number of molecules in A and B are same
- (b) Number of molecules in B is more than that in A.
- (c) The ratio between the number of molecules in A to number of molecules in B is 2:1
- (d) Number of molecules in B is three times greater than the number of molecules in A.
- 20. What is the mass of precipitate formed when 50 ml of 8.5 % solution of AgNO<sub>3</sub> is mixed with 100 ml of 1.865 % potassium chloride solution?
  - (a) 3.59 g (b) 7 g (c) 14 g (d) 28 g
- 21. The mass of a gas that occupies a volume of 612.5 ml at room temperature and pressure (25<sup>0</sup> C and 1 atm pressure) is 1.1g. The molar mass of the gas is

| (a) 66.25 g mol <sup>-1</sup> | (b) | 44 g mol <sup>-1</sup>    |
|-------------------------------|-----|---------------------------|
| (c) 24.5 g mol <sup>-1</sup>  | d)  | 662.5 g mol <sup>-1</sup> |

22. Which of the following contain same number of carbon atoms as in 6 g of carbon-12.

| (a) 7.5 g ethane | (b) | 8 g methane |
|------------------|-----|-------------|
|------------------|-----|-------------|

| (c) both (a) and (b) | (d) none of these |
|----------------------|-------------------|
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23. Which of the following compound(s) has /have percentage of carbon same as that in ethylene  $(C_2H_4)$ 

| (a) propene | (b) | ethyne |
|-------------|-----|--------|
| (c) benzene | (d) | ethane |

- 24. Which of the following is/are true with respect to carbon -12.
  - (a) relative atomic mass is 12 u
  - (b) oxidation number of carbon is +4 in all its compounds.
  - (c) 1 mole of carbon-12 contain  $6.022 \times 10^{22}$  carbon atoms.

(d) all of these

25. Which one of the following is used as a standard for atomic mass.

(a)  ${}_{6}C^{12}$  (b)  ${}_{7}C^{12}$  (c)  ${}_{6}C^{13}$  (d)  ${}_{6}C^{14}$ 

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II. Write brief answer to the following questions.

- 26) Define relative atomic mass.
- 27) What do you understand by the term mole.
- 28) Define equivalent mass.
- 29) What do you understand by the term oxidation number.
- 30) Distinguish between oxidation and reduction.
- 31) Calculate the molar mass of the following compounds.
  - i) Urea  $[CO(NH_2)_2]$
  - ii) Acetone [CH<sub>3</sub>COCH<sub>3</sub>]
  - iii) Boric acid [H<sub>3</sub>BO<sub>3</sub>]
  - iv) Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>]
- 32) The density of carbon dioxide is equal to 1.965 kgm<sup>-3</sup> at 273 K and 1 atm pressure. Calculate the molar mass of  $CO_2$ .
- 33) Which contains the greatest number of moles of oxygen atoms
  - i) 1 mol of ethanol
  - ii) 1 mol of formic acid
  - iii) 1 mol of  $H_2O$
- 34) Calculate the average atomic mass of naturally occurring magnesium using the following data

| Isotope          | Isotopic atomic mass | Abundance (%) |
|------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| Mg <sup>24</sup> | 23.99                | 78.99         |
| Mg <sup>25</sup> | 24.99                | 10.00         |
| Mg <sup>26</sup> | 25.98                | 11.01         |

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35) In a reaction  $x + y + z_2 \rightarrow xyz_2$  identify the Limiting reagent if any, in the following reaction mixtures.

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- (a) 200 atoms of x + 200 atoms of y + 50 molecules of  $z_2$
- (b)1mol of x + 1 mol of y+3 mol of  $z_2$
- (c) 50 atoms of x + 25 atoms of y+50 molecules of  $z_2$
- d) 2.5 mol of x +5 mol of y+5 mol of  $z_2$
- 36) Mass of one atom of an element is  $6.645 \ge 10^{-23}$  g. How many moles of element are there in 0.320 kg.
- 37) What is the difference between molecular mass and molar mass? Calculate the molecular mass and molar mass for carbon monoxide.
- 38) What is the empirical formula of the following ?

i) Fructose  $(C_6H_{12}O_6)$  found in honey

- ii) Caffeine  $(C_8H_{10}N_4O_2)$  a substance found in tea and coffee.
- 39) The reaction between aluminium and ferric oxide can generate temperatures up to 3273 K and is used in welding metals. (Atomic mass of Al = 27 u Atomic mass of O = 16 u)

 $2Al + Fe_2O_3 \rightarrow Al_2O_3 + 2Fe$ ; If, in this process, 324 g of aluminium is allowed to react with 1.12 kg of ferric oxide.

i) Calculate the mass of  $Al_2O_3$  formed.

- ii) How much of the excess reagent is left at the end of the reaction?
- 40) How many moles of ethane is required to produce 44 g of  $CO_{2(g)}$  after combustion.
- 41) Hydrogen peroxide is an oxidising agent. It oxidises ferrous ion to ferric ion and reduced itself to water. Write a balanced equation.
- 42) Calculate the empirical and molecular formula of a compound containing 76.6% carbon, 6.38 % hydrogen and rest oxygen its vapour density is 47.

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43) A Compound on analysis gave Na = 14.31% S = 9.97% H= 6.22% and O= 69.5% calculate the molecular formula of the compound, if all the hydrogen in the compound is present in combination with oxygen as water of crystallization. (molecular mass of the compound is 322).

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44) Balance the following equations by oxidation number method

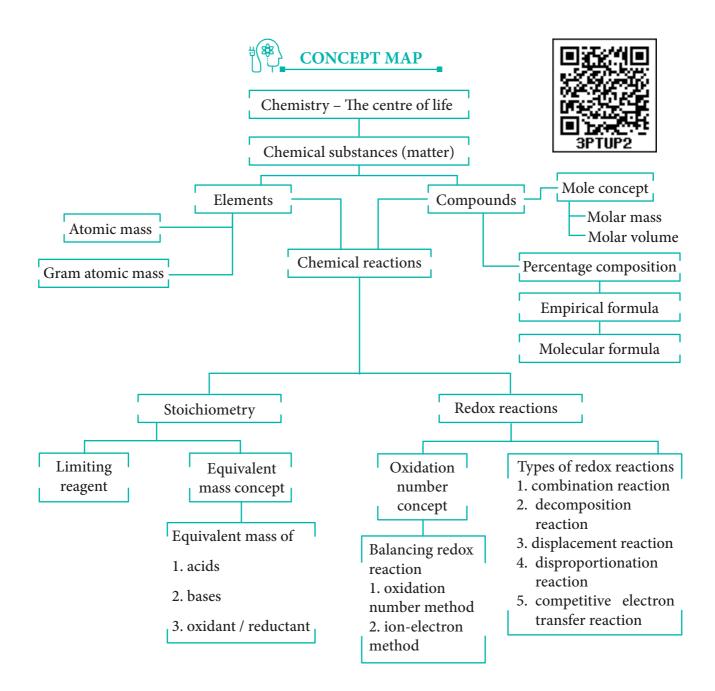
i) 
$$K_2Cr_2O_7 + KI + H_2SO_4 \rightarrow K_2SO_4 + Cr_2(SO_4)_3 + I_2 + H_2O$$
  
ii)  $KMnO_4 + Na_2SO_3 \rightarrow MnO_2 + Na_2SO_4 + KOH$   
iii)  $Cu + HNO_3 \rightarrow Cu(NO_3)_2 + NO_2 + H_2O$   
iv)  $KMnO_4 + H_2C_2O_4 + H_2SO_4 \rightarrow K_2SO_4 + MnSO_4 + CO_2 + H_2O$   
45) Balance the following equations by ion electron method.

i) 
$$\text{KMnO}_4 + \text{SnCl}_2 + \text{HCl} \rightarrow \text{MnCl}_2 + \text{SnCl}_4 + \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{KCl}$$
  
ii)  $\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-} + \text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-} \rightarrow \text{Cr}^{3+} + \text{CO}_2$  (in acid medium)  
iii)  $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3 + \text{I}_2 \rightarrow \text{Na}_2\text{S}_4\text{O}_6 + \text{NaI}$ 

iv)  $Zn + NO_3^{-} \rightarrow Zn^{2+} + NO$  (in acid medium)

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# **ICT Corner**

# Calculation of Empirical and Molecular Formula

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By using this tool you will be able to calculate the empirical and molecular formula from the percentage composition of elements Please go to the URL https://ggbm.at/FbUwkmUw (or) Scan the QR code on the right side



## Step – 1

Open the Browser and type the URL given (or) Scan the QR Code. You can see a GeoGebra Work book named "11th Standard Chemistry". Open the worksheet named "Empirical Formula". You will see a webpage as shown in the figure.

#### **Step – 2**

Find the serial number of the elements of the compound under examination from the table present on the right side of the page and enter it in the space provided (1). And enter their percentage of composition in the corresponding space (2)

# Step – 3

Now you can see the molar mass, relative no. of moles and the simplest ratio all automatically calculated and filled in the corresponding boxes. If the simplest ratio contains fractions then use the slider (3) to choose a smallest number to bring the simplest ratio to whole number.

You can now see the calculated empirical formula (4)

#### **Step – 4**

In order to calculate the Molecular formula, enter the molar mass in the corresponding box (5). Now the 'n' will be displayed (6) and Molecular formula is displayed at the bottom (7)

