

## 2

ATOMS, MOLECULES  
AND IONS

## LECTURE NOTES

Students find this material relatively easy to assimilate; it's almost entirely qualitative. On the other hand, there's a lot of memorizing (sorry, learning) to do. This chapter is coverable in two lectures.

Some general observations:

- Material in Sections 2.1–2.3 is generally well covered in high-school chemistry courses; no need to dwell on it.
- Students need to know the molecular formulas of the elements (Figure 2.13), the charges of ions with noble-gas structures and the names and formulas of the common polyatomic ions (Table 2.2). The charges of transition-metal ions will be covered later, in Chapter 4.
- Naming compounds requires students to distinguish between ionic and molecular substances. It helps to point out that binary molecular compounds are composed of two nonmetals. Almost all ionic compounds contain a metal cation combined with a nonmetal anion or negatively charged polyatomic ion. The flow charts shown in Figures 2.18 and 2.19 should help visual learners.
- The periodic table will be discussed in greater detail later in the text (Chapter 6).

## Lecture 1

## I. Atomic Theory

## A. Elements

Postulates: Elements consist of tiny particles called atoms, which retain their identity in reactions. In a compound, atoms of two or more elements combine in a fixed ratio of small whole numbers (e.g., 1:1, 2:1, etc.).

## B. Components

	relative mass	relative charge	location
proton	1	+1	nucleus
neutron	1	0	nucleus
electron	0.0005	−1	outside

## C. Atomic number

It is the number of protons in the nucleus or the number of electrons in a neutral atom. This is characteristic of a particular element: all H atoms have one proton, all He atoms have two protons, etc.

**D. Mass number**

1. It is the sum of the number of protons and the number of neutrons. Atoms of the same element can differ in mass number. Those are referred to as isotopes. For example:

	protons	neutrons	atomic no.	nuclear symbol	mass no.
carbon-12	6	6	6	$^{12}_6\text{C}$	12
carbon-14	6	8	6	$^{14}_6\text{C}$	14

**2. Isotopes**

Atoms of the same element (same atomic number) but differ in mass number.

**II. Atomic Masses****A. Meaning of atomic masses**

They give the relative masses of atoms. Based on the C-12 scale; the most common isotope of carbon is assigned an atomic mass of exactly 12 amu.

element	B	Ca	Ni
atomic mass (amu)	10.81	40.08	58.69

A nickel atom is  $58.69/40.08$  times as heavy as a calcium atom. It is  $58.69/10.81 = 5.429$  times as heavy as a boron atom.

**B. Atomic masses from isotopic composition**

atomic mass = (atomic mass of isotope 1)(%/100) + (atomic mass of isotope 2)(%/100) + . . .

Isotope	Atomic mass	Percent
Ne-20	20.00 amu	90.92
Ne-21	21.00 amu	0.26
Ne-22	22.00 amu	8.82

atomic mass of Ne =  $(20.00)(0.9092) + (21.00)(0.0026) + (22.00)(0.0882) = 20.18$  amu

**C. Masses of individual atoms**

Since the atomic masses of H, Cl and Ni are, respectively, 1.008 amu, 35.45 amu and 58.69 amu, it follows that

1.008 g H, 35.45 g Cl, 58.69 g Ni all contain the same number of atoms,  $N_A$ .

$$N_A = \text{Avogadro's number} = 6.022 \times 10^{23}$$

1. Mass of a hydrogen atom?

$$1 \text{ atom H} \times \frac{1.008 \text{ g H}}{6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ atom}} = 1.674 \times 10^{-24} \text{ g}$$

2. Number of atoms in one gram of nickel?

$$1.000 \text{ g Ni} \times \frac{6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ atoms Ni}}{58.69 \text{ g Ni}} = 1.026 \times 10^{22} \text{ atoms}$$

### III. Periodic Table

Periods and groups; numbering system for groups. Metals appear at the lower left, nonmetals at the upper right. Metalloids.

## Lecture 2

### IV. Molecules

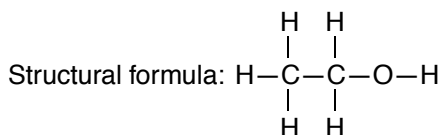
#### A. Composition

Usually consist of nonmetal atoms; held together by covalent bonds.

#### B. Types of Formulas

Consider the compound ethyl alcohol:

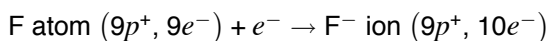
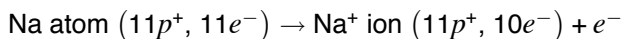
Molecular formula:  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6\text{O}$



Condensed structural formula:  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$

### V. Ions

#### A. Formation of monatomic ions



#### B. Charges of monatomic ions with noble-gas structures

Cations: Group 1 (+1); Group 2 (+2);  $\text{Al}^{3+}$

Anions: Group 16 (−2); Group 17 (−1);  $\text{N}^{3-}$

#### C. Polyatomic ions

Names and formulas (Table 2.2)

**D. Formulas of compounds**

Apply the principle of electroneutrality.

calcium fluoride:	$\text{Ca}^{2+}$ , $\text{F}^-$ ions:	$\text{CaF}_2$
aluminum nitrate:	$\text{Al}^{3+}$ , $\text{NO}_3^-$ ions:	$\text{Al}(\text{NO}_3)_3$
sodium dihydrogen phosphate:	$\text{Na}^+$ , $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$ ions:	$\text{NaH}_2\text{PO}_4$

**E. Ionic compounds**

They can be distinguished from molecular substances by the conductivity of their water solutions. Solutions of  $\text{NaCl}$ ,  $\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$ , ... conduct electricity (electrolytes). Sugar is a nonelectrolyte.

**VI. Names of Compounds****A. Ionic**

Name cation, followed by anion. Note that with transition metal cations, charge is indicated by a Roman numeral.

$\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$       sodium sulfate       $\text{Fe}(\text{NO}_3)_3$       iron(III) nitrate

Systematic names of oxoanions (-ate, -ite, per-, hypo-)

Calcium hypochlorite       $\text{Ca}(\text{ClO})_2$

**B. Binary molecular compounds**

Use of Greek prefixes:	$\text{SF}_6$	sulfur hexafluoride
	$\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$	dinitrogen trioxide

**C. Acids**

Binary acids:      hydrochloric acid

Oxo acids:	-ate salt $\rightarrow$ -ic acid	$\text{HClO}_4$ , perchloric acid
	-ite salt $\rightarrow$ -ous acid	$\text{HClO}$ , hypochlorous acid

**DEMONSTRATIONS**

1. Law of constant composition: GILB A 12
2. Law of conservation of mass: GILB A 16
3. Simulation of Rutherford's experiment: GILB L 7
4. Isotope effects ( $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ ): GILB M 18
5. Reaction of hydrogen with chlorine: GILB H 38
6. Conductivity of water solutions: SHAK 3 140
7. Breath alcohol detection: J. Chem. Educ. 67 263 (1990); 71 158 (1994)
8. Relative masses of atoms (analogy): GILB L 2

**SUMMARY PROBLEM**

- (a)  $\text{S}_8$  (b) 16 protons, 16 electrons (c) no;  $\text{Al}_2\text{S}_3$  - aluminum sulfide
- (d) yes (e) yes;  $\text{S}_2\text{Cl}_2$  - disulfur dichloride (f)  ${}^{34}_{16}\text{S}$
- (g) group 16, period 3 (h) 20 neutrons
- (i)  $(31.97207)(0.9493) + (32.97146)(0.0076) + (33.96787)(0.0429) + (35.96708)(0.0002) = 32.07 \text{ amu}$
- (j)  $12.55 \text{ g S} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol S}}{32.07 \text{ g}} \times \frac{6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ atoms}}{1 \text{ mol S}} = 2.357 \times 10^{23} \text{ atoms}$
- (k)  $1 \times 10^9 \text{ S atoms} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol S}}{6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ atoms}} \times \frac{32.07 \text{ g}}{1 \text{ mol S}} = 5.325 \times 10^{-14} \text{ g}$
- (l)  $\text{SO}_3$  = sulfur trioxide;  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_3$  (aq) = sulfurous acid;  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$  = sulfate ion;  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_3$  = sodium sulfite

**PROBLEMS**

1. p. 29
3. (a) Conservation of mass (b) Constant composition (c) neither
5. J. J. Thompson; see p. 29
7.  ${}^{80}_{34}\text{Se}$
9. no. of neutrons:  ${}^{36}_{18}\text{Ar}$ ,  ${}^{38}_{18}\text{Ar}$ ,  ${}^{40}_{18}\text{Ar}$
11. (a) 92 (b) 143 (c) 92

13. (a)  $14 p^+$ ,  $16 n$ ,  $14 e^-$ ; R = Si

(b)  $39 p^+$ ,  $50 n$ ,  $39 e^-$ ; T = Y

(c)  $55 p^+$ ,  $78 n$ ,  $55 e^-$ ; X = Cs

15. (a) Ca-41, K-41, Ar-41 are isobars; Ca-40, Ca-41 are isotopes

(b) atomic number = number of protons = 20

(c) same mass number

17. (a)  $\frac{79.90}{20.18} = 3.959$

(b)  $\frac{79.90}{40.08} = 1.994$

(c)  $\frac{79.90}{4.003} = 19.96$

19. Ce-140

21. 50%

23.  $83.9134(0.0056) + 85.9094(0.0986) + 86.9089(0.0700) + 87.9056(0.8258) = 0.47 + 8.47 + 6.08 + 72.59$   
average atomic mass = 87.61

25.  $107.9 = 106.90509(0.5184) + 0.4816x$ ;  $x = 109$  amu

27. Let  $x$  = abundance of the first isotope; abundance of second isotope =  $0.9704 - x$

$$28.0855 = 27.9769x + (0.9704 - x)(28.9765) + (0.0296)(29.9738)$$

$$= 27.9769x + 28.1188 - 28.9765x + 0.887$$

$$x = 0.921; \text{abundance of first isotope is } 92.1\%$$

$$0.9704 - x = 0.9704 - 0.921 = 0.0494; \text{abundance of second isotope is } 4.94\%$$

29. Tall peak at mass 64; peak a little over 1/2 as high at mass 66; smallest peak is at mass 67,  
and the height of the peak at mass 64 is 2.5 times that of the peak at mass 68 .

$$31. 3 \times 10^{-7} \text{ g} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol}}{207.2 \text{ g}} \times \frac{6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ atoms}}{1 \text{ mol}} = 9 \times 10^{14} \text{ atoms}$$

$$33. (a) 0.185 \text{ g Pd} \times \frac{6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ atoms}}{106.4 \text{ g Pd}} = 1.05 \times 10^{21} \text{ atoms}$$

$$(b) 127 \text{ protons} \times \frac{1 \text{ atom}}{46 \text{ protons}} \times \frac{106.4 \text{ g}}{6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ atoms}} = 4.88 \times 10^{-22} \text{ g}$$

$$35. (a) 0.35744 \text{ mol} \times \frac{6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ atoms}}{1 \text{ mol}} = 2.152 \times 10^{23} \text{ atoms}$$

$$(b) 2.152 \times 10^{23} \text{ atoms} \times \frac{(14 p^+ + 14 n + 14 e^-)}{1 \text{ atom}} = 9.039 \times 10^{24}$$

$$37. V_{\text{cube}} = \left( 1.25 \text{ in} \times \frac{2.54 \text{ cm}}{1 \text{ in}} \right)^3 = 32.0 \text{ cm}^3$$

$$32.0 \text{ cm}^3 \times \frac{0.968 \text{ g}}{1 \text{ cm}^3} \times \frac{6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ atoms}}{22.99 \text{ g}} = 8.12 \times 10^{23} \text{ atoms}$$

39. (a) K                      (b) Cd                      (c) Al                      (d) Sb                      (e) P

41. (a) main-group metal                      (b) transition metal                      (c) main-group metal                      (d) metalloid  
(e) nonmetal

43. (a) 6    (b) 4 named, 1 not named                      (c) 0

45. (a) 13    (b) 2    (c) 17, 18

47. (a) C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>7</sub>N    (b) C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O

49. (a) 14 p<sup>+</sup>, 14 e<sup>-</sup>    (b) 21 p<sup>+</sup>, 22 e<sup>-</sup>    (c) 35 p<sup>+</sup>, 34 e<sup>-</sup>    (d) 70 p<sup>+</sup>, 70 e<sup>-</sup>



51.	${}^{19}_{9}\text{F}$	0	9	10	9
	${}^{31}_{15}\text{P}$	0	15	16	15
	${}^{57}_{27}\text{Co}^{3+}$	+3	27	30	24
	${}^{32}_{16}\text{S}^{2-}$	-2	16	16	18

53. (a) electrolyte    (b) nonelectrolyte    (c) nonelectrolyte    (d) electrolyte

55. (a) CH<sub>4</sub>    (b) Cl<sub>4</sub>    (c) H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>    (d) NO    (e) SiO<sub>2</sub>

57. (a) iodine trichloride    (b) dinitrogen pentaoxide    (c) phosphine  
(d) carbon tetrabromide    (e) sulfur trioxide

59. KCl, K<sub>2</sub>S, CaCl<sub>2</sub>, CaS

61. (a)  $\text{Fe}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2)_3$       (b)  $\text{Ca}(\text{NO}_3)_2$       (c)  $\text{K}_2\text{O}$       (d)  $\text{AuCl}_3$       (e)  $\text{Ba}_3\text{N}_2$
63. (a) potassium dichromate      (b) copper(II) phosphate      (c) barium acetate  
(d) aluminum nitride      (e) cobalt(II) nitrate
65. (a) hydrochloric acid      (b) chloric acid      (c) iron(III) sulfite  
(d) barium nitrite      (e) sodium hypochlorite
67.  $\text{HNO}_2$ , nickel(II) iodate,  $\text{Au}_2\text{S}_3$ , sulfurous acid,  $\text{NF}_3$
69. (a)  $\text{Mn}(\text{NO}_2)_3$ ; manganese(III) nitrite  
(b)  $\text{BF}_3$ ; boron trifluoride  
(c)  $\text{Ca}(\text{HCO}_3)_2$ ; calcium hydrogen carbonate
71. (a) In      (b) Pb or Sn      (c) K      (d) Sb
73. (a) ... confirmed the presence of a dense nucleus with protons.  
(b) ... elements arranged according to increasing atomic number.  
(c) ... same number of protons.  
(d)  $\text{Be}_3\text{N}_2$  is beryllium nitride.
75.  $6.00 \text{ oz salami} \times \frac{1 \text{ g}}{0.03527 \text{ oz}} \times \frac{0.090 \text{ g NaC}_7\text{H}_5\text{O}_2}{100 \text{ g salami}} \times \frac{6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ molecules NaC}_7\text{H}_5\text{O}_2}{144.1 \text{ g NaC}_7\text{H}_5\text{O}_2}$   
 $\times \frac{1 \text{ atom Na}}{1 \text{ molecule NaC}_7\text{H}_5\text{O}_2} = 6.4 \times 10^{20} \text{ Na atoms}$
77. (b), (d), (e)
79. 8  molecules; 3  molecules left
81. A square with four circles around it (several of them in a flask with a defined volume)
83. (a) 118      (b) 120      (c) 117      (d) 120      (e) 119



85. first experiment:  $\% \text{O} = \frac{3.87}{52.30} \times 100 = 7.40;$   $\% \text{Hg} = 92.60$

second experiment:  $\% \text{Hg} = \frac{15.68}{16.93} \times 100 = 92.62;$   $\% \text{O} = 7.38$

87. (a) K, Sr (b) O, F, Ar, S (c) S, K, Sr  
 (d) S (e) S, O or S, F or O, F (f) Sr, S or Sr, O or K, F  
 (g) Sr, F (h) K, O or K, S (i) Ar  
 (j) O, F, Ar

88. A: mass C/mass H = 11.9 ( $\approx 12$ ) B: mass C/mass H = 2.99 ( $\approx 3$ )

ratio for (a) = 2.77 ratio for (b) = 4.67 ratio for (c) = 5.96

(c) is best choice

89. (a) ethane: 18.0 g C/4.53 g H = 3.97 g C/g H ethylene: 43.20 g C/7.25 g H = 5.96 g C/g H

$5.96/3.97 = 1.50 = 3/2$

(b)  $\text{CH}_2$  and  $\text{CH}_3$ ;  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  and  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$

90. mass =  $13 (1.6726 \times 10^{-4} \text{ g}) + 13 (9.1094 \times 10^{-28} \text{ g}) + 14 (1.6749 \times 10^{-24} \text{ g}) = 4.5204 \times 10^{-23} \text{ g}$

$V = \frac{4}{3}\pi (1.43 \times 10^{-8} \text{ cm})^3 = 1.22 \times 10^{-23} \text{ cm}^3$

$d = 4.5204 \text{ g}/1.22 \text{ cm}^3 = 3.71 \text{ g/cm}^3$

Empty space between Al atoms.

91.  $2.3440 \times 10^{-23} \text{ g} + 3(9.1095 \times 10^{-28} \text{ g}) = 2.3443 \times 10^{-23} \text{ g}$

92. (a)  $200 \text{ inhalations} \times \frac{500 \text{ mL}}{1 \text{ inhalation}} \times \frac{2.5 \times 10^{19} \text{ molecules}}{1 \text{ mL}} = 2.5 \times 10^{24} \text{ molecules}$

(b)  $\frac{2.5 \times 10^{24}}{1.1 \times 10^{44}} = 2.3 \times 10^{-20}$

(c)  $1 \text{ inhalation} \times \frac{500 \text{ mL}}{1 \text{ inhalation}} \times \frac{2.5 \times 10^{19} \text{ molecules}}{1 \text{ mL}} \times 2.3 \times 10^{-20} = 2.8 \times 10^2 \text{ molecules}$

93. Total mass before reaction:  $18.00 \text{ g} + (25.00 \times 1.025 \text{ g/mL}) = 43.63 \text{ g}$

After reaction following the law of conservation of mass:  $43.63 \text{ g} = 12 \text{ g} + 30.95 \text{ g} + \text{mass of H}_2$

$$\text{mass of H}_2 = 0.68 \text{ g}; \quad \text{volume of H}_2 = 0.68 \text{ g} \times \frac{1 \text{ L}}{0.0824 \text{ g}} = 8.25 \text{ L}$$