

Selected Topics in General and Inorganic Chemistry

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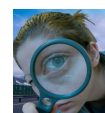
Table of topics:

1. Composition of the matter
2. Basic chemical laws and rules, formulae, equations
3. Structure of atoms
4. Periodic table of elements
5. Molecular structures & basic theories of chemical bonding
6. Principles of thermodynamics
7. States of the matter
8. Introduction to chemical kinetics
9. Acids and bases
10. Introduction to electrochemistry
11. Elements and their basic compounds
12. Coordination chemistry
13. Organometallic compounds

Podmienky na absolvovanie predmetu (Grading policy):

There will be two running written tests examinations (maximum 20 points each) during the semester course. Final exam will consist of a 60-point test. Only those students will be admitted to final examination who achieve at least 60 % of the points from tests and 60 % of laboratory work evaluation. For grade A, it is necessary to obtain at least 92 %, for grade B at least 84 %, for grade C at least 76 %, for grade D at least 68 % and for grade E at least 60 % of all points. Credits will not be assigned to a student, who will not earn at least 60% from running tests, or who will not earn at least 60% from laboratory work and to student, who will not earn at least 60 % from final exam.

What is Chemistry?



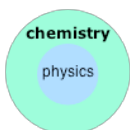
An introduction to chemical science

Chemistry is such a broad subject and one so full of detail that it is easy for a newcomer to find it somewhat **overwhelming**, if not **intimidating**. The best way around this is to look at Chemistry from a variety of viewpoints:

- How Chemistry relates to other sciences and to the world in general
- What are some of the fundamental concepts that extend throughout Chemistry?
- What are some of the major currents of modern-day Chemistry?

The scope of chemical science

physics might be considered more "fundamental"



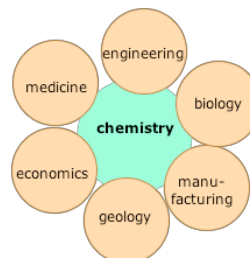
Chemistry is too universal
dynamically-changing

major focus:

the structure and properties of
substances

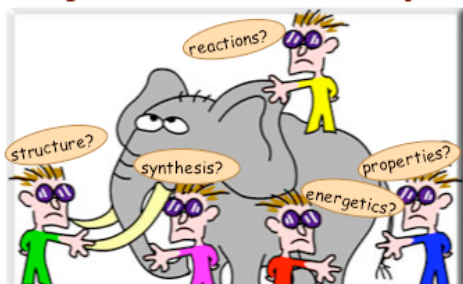
on the changes that they
undergo

Chemistry: the central science



The real importance of **Chemistry** is that it serves as
the **interface** to practically all of the other sciences

So just what is chemistry?



Chemistry can be approached in different ways, each yielding a different, valid, (and yet hopelessly incomplete) view of the subject.

Chemist's view

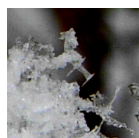
Mainly theoretical	to	Mainly practical
Why do particular combinations of atoms hold together, but not others?		What are the properties of a certain compound?
How can I predict the shape of a molecule?		How can I prepare a certain compound?
Why are some reactions slow, while others occur rapidly?		Does a certain reaction proceed to completion?
Is a certain reaction possible?		How can I determine the composition of an unknown substance?

Chemistry is the study of *substances*; their **properties, structure, and the changes** they undergo.

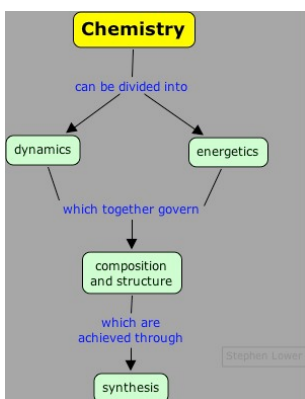
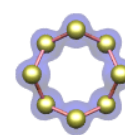
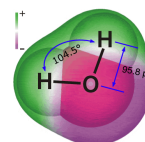
Observation: **Direct** **Indirect**
 Realm: Macroscopic Microscopic

Composition	Stoichiometric ratio, formulae, mixtures ...	structures of solids, molecules, and atoms ...
Changes (Energetics)	Thermal and other energetic effects, equilibria	statistics of energy distribution
Changes (dynamics)	Reaction rates	Mechanisms

Macroscopic



Microscopic



Dynamics refers to the details of that rearrangements of atoms that occur during chemical change, and that affect the rate at which change occurs.

Energetics refers to the thermodynamics of chemical change, relating to the uptake or release of heat.

HISTORY

Chemistry is a branch of science that has been around for a long time. In fact, chemistry is known to date back to as far as the prehistoric times. Due to the amount of time chemistry takes up on the timeline, the science is split into four general chronological categories.

The four categories are:

- prehistoric times - beginning of the Christian era (black magic)
- beginning of the Christian era - end of 17th century (alchemy)
- end of 17th century - mid 19th century (traditional chemistry)
- mid 19th century - present (modern chemistry)

Milestones in the history of Chemistry

Prehistoric Times – Beginning of the Christian Era

Fire – Smoke – Ceramics

- ~3300 BC **Bronze Age** (**alloy** consisting primarily of **copper**, with **tin** as the main additive)
- 1700 BC 6th Babylonian king Hammurabi's reign
– known metals were recorded and listed in conjunction with heavenly bodies
- ~1300 BC **Iron Age**
- 430 BC **Democritus** proclaims the **atom** to be the simplest **unit** of **matter**
- 300 BC **Aristotle** declares the existence of only four elements: fire, air, water and earth
properties: hot, cold, dry and wet

History of Chemistry

~300 BC - End of 17th Century (Alchemy)

300 BC-300 AD the **Advent of the Alchemists** attempt to **transmute** cheap metals to gold. The **substance** used for this **conversion** was called the **Philosopher's Stone**



13th-15th century intensive effort;
pope John XXII (1316-34) **issued an edict against** gold-making

Despite the alchemists' efforts, transmutation of cheap metals to gold never happened within this time period.

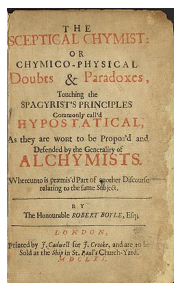
1493 – 1541 Paracelsus – (Philippus von Hohenheim)
Modern toxicology, pharmacology;
Three principles: **salt** (solidity, inertness),
sulfur (inflammability), **mercury** (fluidity, heaviness, metallicity)

16th century Alchemists not only wanted to convert metals to gold, but they also wanted to find a chemical **concoction** that would enable people to live longer and cure all **ailments**. This **elixir of life** never happened either.

17th century – 1661 Robert Boyle

hypothesis that matter consisted of atoms and clusters of atoms in **motion** and that every **phenomenon** was the result of **collisions of particles** in motion

sometimes called
founder of modern chemistry



History of Chemistry ~1700 – ~1850 (Traditional Chemistry)

Johann Joachim Becher – 1667 **phlogiston theory** postulated a fire-like element called **phlogiston**, contained within combustible bodies, that is released during **combustion** (**rusting**).



1774 Joseph Priestly heated calx of mercury, collected the colorless gas and burned different substances in this gas (discovery of oxygen)



Antoine Lavoisier – oxygen (1778); hydrogen (1783) **disproved** the phlogiston theory; list of elements
law of mass conservation - **Father of Modern Chemistry**



John Dalton – 1803 **Atomic Theory** which states that all matter is composed of atoms, which are small and indivisible



History of Chemistry ~1850 - present (Modern Chemistry)

1854 Heinrich Geissler creates the first vacuum tube.

1879 William Crookes – plasma - ZnS fluorescence → **cathode rays**

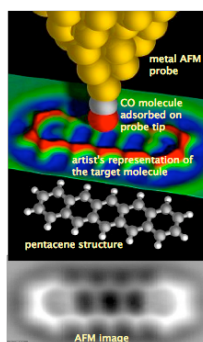
1885 Eugen Goldstein - positive particles - **protons**

1895 Wilhelm Roentgen accidentally discovered **X-rays**

1896 **Henri Becquerel** - fluorescence of pitchblend – natural radioactivity – Nobel Prize in Physics 1903 with **Marie Skłodowska-Curie** and **Pierre Curie**

1897 J.J. Thomson – discovery of the electron

2009, IBM scientists in Switzerland



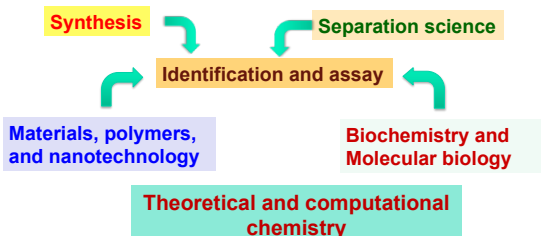
Imaging a real molecule!

AFM:
atomic force microscopy

atoms-thin metallic probe is drawn ever-so-slightly above the surface of an **immobilized** pentacene molecule **cooled** to nearly absolute zero.

Currents of modern Chemistry

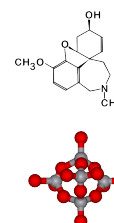
few of the areas that have emerged as being especially important in modern chemistry



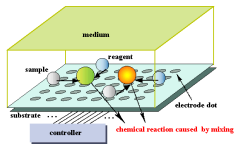
Synthesis is both one of the oldest areas of chemistry and one of the most actively pursued:

major threads

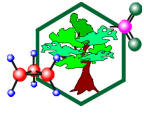
New-molecule synthesis -
Chemists are always **challenged** to come up with molecules containing **novel features** such as **new shapes** or **unusual types of bonds**.



Combinatorial chemistry refers to a group of largely-**automated** techniques for **generating tiny quantities** of huge numbers of different molecules ("libraries") and then picking out those having certain **desired properties**. Although it is a major drug **discovery** technique, it also has many other applications.



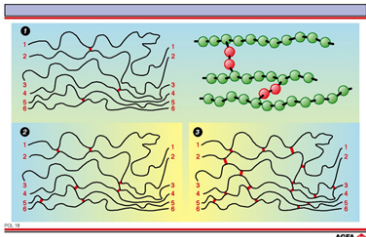
Green chemistry - synthetic methods that focus on reducing or **eliminating** the use or **release** of toxic or non-**biodegradable** chemicals or **byproducts**.



Materials, polymers, nanotechnologies

Materials science attempts to relate the physical properties and **performance** of **engineering materials** to their **underlying chemical structure** with the aim of developing improved materials for various applications.

Polymer chemistry



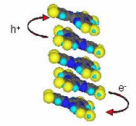
developing polymeric ("plastic") materials for industrial uses.

Connecting individual polymer molecules by cross-links (red) increases the strength of the material.

ordinary polyethylene is a **fairly soft** material with a low melting point, but the cross-linked form is **more rigid and resistant to heat**.

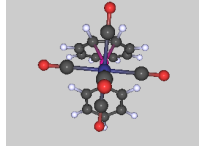
Organic semiconductors

number of **potential advantages** over **conventional metalloid-based devices**.



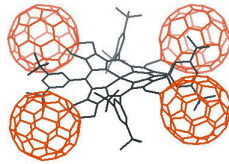
Nanodevice chemistry

constructing **molecular-scale assemblies** for **specific tasks** such as computing, producing motions, etc.



Fullerenes, nanotubes and nanowires, graphene

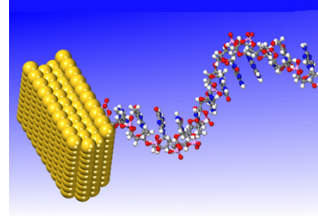
Fullerenes were first **identified** in 1985 as products of experiments in which graphite was vaporized using a laser



R. F. Curl, Jr., R. E. Smalley, and H. W. Kroto **shared** the 1996 Nobel Prize in Chemistry

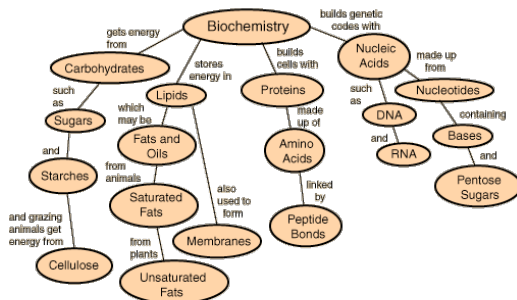
Fullerene research is expected to lead to new materials, **lubricants, coatings**, catalysts, electro-optical devices, and medical applications

Biosensors and biochips



the surfaces of metals and semiconductors "**decorated**" with biopolymers **can serve** as extremely sensitive detectors of biological substances and infectious **agents**

Biochemistry and Molecular biology

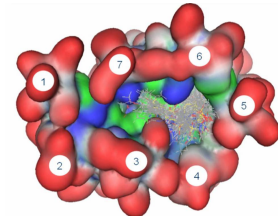


ranging from the fundamental chemistry of **gene expression** and enzyme-substrate interactions to **drug design**

Drug design

looks at interactions between enzymes and possible inhibitors

Computer-modeling is an **essential tool** in this work



Theoretical and computational chemistry

$\hat{H}\Psi = E\Psi$

Nature of the material world

Matter (Substance)
Internally discretized, particles with non-zero rest mass

(Physical) Field
Continuous internal structure,

What is a substance composed of?
(as related to Chemistry)

Elementary particles

leptons → electrons → atoms → **Molecules** – entities composed of atoms
entity – discrete unit with a defined unique structure and properties, able of an independent existence
... associates, crystals ... – condensed systems

quarks → composite particles → neutron, proton (baryons) → atoms

Chemistry

Measures of the changes in material objects

Mass (SI: kg)
A measure of inertia of a body, (resistance to the motion changes);

$m_v = \frac{m_0}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}}$
rest mass
velocity
light v.

Energy (SI: J)
A quantitative measure of diverse forms of the motion; can be transferred to other objects; converted

$E = mc^2$
A. Einstein (1905)

The Law of Conservation of Mass and Energy

$\Sigma m = \text{const.}$
M. V. Lomonosov 1758
A. L. Lavoisier 1774-7

$\Sigma E = \text{const.}$
M. V. Lomonosov 1760

Atom (in a „nutshell“)

Nucleus surrounded by:

Protons (+) nucleons electrons (-)

Neutrons (0)

Z – proton number $A = Z + N$

N – neutron number

A – nucleon number ${}^A_Z E$ ${}^{23}_{11} Na$

Nuclide: atomic species characterized by a specific constitution of its nucleus.

Isotopes: same Z, different A

napr. ${}^{54}_{26} Fe$, ${}^{56}_{26} Fe$, ${}^{57}_{26} Fe$, ${}^{58}_{26} Fe$

Isobars: different elements, equal „A“

Atomic mass: $\sim 10^{-27} - 10^{-25}$ kg

not practical \rightarrow **relative atomic mass** A_r

Unified atomic mass unit (or constant):

$$m_u = \frac{1}{12} m({}^{12}_6 C) = 1,660565 \cdot 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$$

$$A_r ({}^A_Z E) = m({}^A_Z E) / m_u$$

more isotopes \rightarrow weighted average

Approval by: **IUPAC**

International **U**nion of **P**ure and **A**ppplied **C**hemistry

Molecules – entities composed of atoms, with unambiguous structure and unique properties

Relative molecular mass M_r

$$M_r = m(X_a Y_b) / m_u = a A_r(X) + b A_r(Y)$$

Molar fraction (n) (SI): mol - number of N_A entities

N_A **Avogadro's constant** = number of atoms in 12g ${}^{12}C$

$$N_A = 6,022140 \cdot 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$$

Molar mass: $M(A) = m(A) / n(A)$

Molar volume (V_m):

Avogadro's law – for an ideal gas

- equal volumes of all gases, at the same temperature and pressure, have the same number of molecules

equal n(A) \rightarrow equal volume

standard: (T=273.1 K; p=101.32 kPa; $V_m = 22.41 \text{ dm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1}$)

otherwise: $V_m = V/n$

Amedeo Avogadro, 1776-1856, Italian

Physical properties of materials

Extensive

depend on the amount of a substance

mass, volume,
total energy content,
total electric resistance
total content of a given
element, ...

Intensive

do not depend on the amount of a substance

density, colour,
boiling point,
electric conductivity,
concentration, ...

Used to characterize the substance

Dichotomy – a unique classification is not always possible

e. g. **pressure** – both dependent and independent

Classification of material systems

Homogeneous

uniform intensive properties throughout its volume

A phase

Heterogeneous

two or **more phases**

Phase boundaries

colloids: no clear phase boundaries, intensive properties vary within the volume

Pure substances– Chemical individuals

Unique physical and chemical properties

Melting point (temperature), boiling p., spectral properties, ...

Production: from mixtures by separation methods

Distillation, crystallization, liquid extraction, chromatography ...

Are they really pure?

... pure → **For analysis** → Chemically pure

→ **Extra chemically pure substances**

special – 99,999 % Si - number of 9s

Pure substances

Chemical elements

isoatomic composition
same proton number

allotropic modification

O: O₂, O₃

C: **grafite, diamant,**
fulleren, amorfous carbon,
C-nanotubes, graphene, ...

Compounds

heteroatomic composition

Isomers – different modifications with equal composition.

Different molecular structures (locations of atoms in space)

Gr. *allos*, different *tropos* kind
Jöns Jakob Berzelius 1779-1848, Swedish

Chemical formulae

Stoichiometric (empirical, summary)



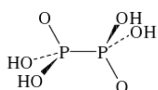
Molecular



Rational



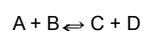
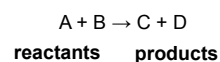
Structural



Changes in the substances Chemical change - reaction

Macroscopically:
process of creation
of new compounds

Microscopically:
reorganisation of
atoms in the space



chemical equilibrium

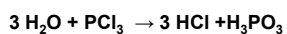
Chemical equations, mass balance, charge balance

Empirical laws

Law of constant composition (Law of definite proportions)

(Joseph Luis Proust – 1799, Francúz)
(John Dalton – 1803, Angličan)

A chemical compound always contains exactly the same proportion of elements by mass, irrespective of the way of preparation



daltonides

bertholides – non-stoichiometric

Claude Louis Berthollet
1748-1822 Francúz

Empirical laws

Law of multiple proportions

(John Dalton – 1803)

If two elements form more than one compound between them, then the ratios of the masses of the second element which combine with a fixed mass of the first element will be ratios of small whole numbers.

MnO, MnO₂

Mn = 1

O(MnO): O(MnO₂) = 1:2

Empirical laws

Law of combining volumes

(Joseph Luis Gay-Lussac – 1808, Francúz)

The ratio between the volumes of the reactant gases and the products can be expressed in simple whole numbers.

