

2_ Basic concepts and quantities in chemistry

Formula weight (molecular mass)

Given a compound its **formula weight (molecular mass, m.m.)** is given by the sum of the atomic masses (a.m., see Periodic Table of the Elements) of the atoms that make it up.

Ex.:

$$\text{m.m. H}_2\text{O} = 2x (\text{a.m. H}) + \text{a.m. O} = 2x1,008 + 16,00 = 18,016 \text{ amu}$$

$$\text{m.m. NaCl} = \text{a.m. Na} + \text{a.m. Cl} = 23 + 35,45 = 58,45 \text{ amu}$$

$$\text{m.m. Mg(OH)}_2 = \text{a.m. Mg} + 2x(\text{a.m. O} + \text{a.m. H}) = 24,3 + 2x(16,00 + 1,008) = 58,3 \text{ amu}$$

atomic mass unit, $\text{amu} = 1/12$ of the mass of the ^{12}C isotope = $1,6605665 \times 10^{-24} \text{ g}$

PERIODIC TABLE OF THE ELEMENTS



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Il colore di fondo indica le proprietà della specie elementare a 25 °C e 1 bar: bianco = atomica; giallo = metallica solida; rosso = metallica liquida; verde = covalente solida; blu = covalente liquida; turchese = covalente gassosa

Numero atomico → 1 1,008 ← Peso atomico (I)
 Simbolo (Z) → H ← Nome
 Configurazione elettronica esterna fondamentale → 1s¹

(1) Numero di massa dell'isotopo più rappresentativo per gli elementi naturali con solo isotopi a vita breve e per gli elementi artificiali
 (2) elementi artificiali: simbolo rosso e fondo grigio

1	2											13	14	15	16	17	18			
1 1,008 H idrogeno 1s ¹												5 10,81 B boro 2s ² 2p ¹	6 12,01 C carbonio 2s ² 2p ²	7 14,01 N azoto 2s ² 2p ³	8 16,00 O ossigeno 2s ² 2p ⁴	9 19,00 F fluoro 2s ² 2p ⁵	10 20,18 Ne neon 2s ² 2p ⁶			
3 6,941 Li litio 2s ¹	4 9,012 Be berillio 2s ²											13 26,98 Al alluminio 3s ² 3p ¹	14 28,09 Si silicio 3s ² 3p ²	15 30,97 P fosforo 3s ² 3p ³	16 32,07 S zolfo 3s ² 3p ⁴	17 35,45 Cl cloro 3s ² 3p ⁵	18 39,95 Ar argo 3s ² 3p ⁶			
11 23,00 Na sodio 3s ¹	12 24,30 Mg magnesio 3s ²	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	31 69,72 Ga gallio 3d ¹⁰ 4s ² 4p ¹	32 72,84 Ge germanio 3d ¹⁰ 4s ² 4p ²	33 74,92 As arsenico 3d ¹⁰ 4s ² 4p ³	34 78,96 Se selenio 3d ¹⁰ 4s ² 4p ⁴	35 79,90 Br bromo 3d ¹⁰ 4s ² 4p ⁵	36 83,80 Kr cripto 3d ¹⁰ 4s ² 4p ⁶			
19 39,10 K potassio 4s ¹	20 40,08 Ca calcio 4s ²	21 44,96 Sc scandio 3d ¹ 4s ²	22 47,87 Ti titanio 3d ² 4s ²	23 50,94 V vanadio 3d ³ 4s ²	24 52,00 Cr cromo 3d ⁴ 4s ¹	25 54,94 Mn manganese 3d ⁵ 4s ²	26 55,85 Fe ferro 3d ⁶ 4s ²	27 58,93 Co cobalto 3d ⁷ 4s ²	28 58,89 Ni nichel 3d ⁸ 4s ²	29 63,55 Cu rame 3d ¹⁰ 4s ¹	30 65,41 Zn zincio 3d ¹⁰ 4s ²	49 114,82 In indio 4d ¹⁰ 5s ² 5p ¹	50 118,71 Sn stagno 4d ¹⁰ 5s ² 5p ²	51 121,76 Sb antimonio 4d ¹⁰ 5s ² 5p ³	52 127,80 Te tellurio 4d ¹⁰ 5s ² 5p ⁴	53 126,90 I iodio 4d ¹⁰ 5s ² 5p ⁵	54 131,29 Xe xeno 4d ¹⁰ 5s ² 5p ⁶			
37 85,47 Rb rubidio 5s ¹	38 87,62 Sr stronzio 5s ²	39 88,91 Y itrio 4d ¹ 5s ²	40 91,22 Zr zirconio 4d ² 5s ²	41 92,91 Nb niobio 4d ⁴ 5s ¹	42 95,94 Mo molibdeno 4d ⁵ 5s ¹	43 99 Tc tecnecio 4d ⁵ 5s ²	44 101,07 Ru rutenio 4d ⁷ 5s ¹	45 102,91 Rh rodio 4d ⁸ 5s ¹	46 106,42 Pd palladio 4d ¹⁰	47 107,89 Ag argento 4d ¹⁰ 5s ¹	48 112,41 Cd cadmio 4d ¹⁰ 5s ²	81 204,38 Tl talio 4f ¹⁴ 5d ¹⁰ 6s ² 6p ¹	82 207,2 Pb piombo 4f ¹⁴ 5d ¹⁰ 6s ² 6p ²	83 208,98 Bi bismuto 4f ¹⁴ 5d ¹⁰ 6s ² 6p ³	84 209 Po polonio 4f ¹⁴ 5d ¹⁰ 6s ² 6p ⁴	85 210 At astato 4f ¹⁴ 5d ¹⁰ 6s ² 6p ⁵	86 222 Rn radon 4f ¹⁴ 5d ¹⁰ 6s ² 6p ⁶			
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57 138,91 La lantanio 5d ¹ 6s ²	58 140,12 Ce cerio 4f ¹ 6s ²	59 140,91 Pr praseodimio 4f ² 6s ²	60 144,24 Nd neodimio 4f ³ 6s ²	61 145 Pm promezio 4f ⁴ 6s ²	62 150,36 Sm samario 4f ⁵ 6s ²	63 151,96 Eu europio 4f ⁶ 6s ²	64 157,25 Gd gadolinio 4f ⁷ 5d ¹ 6s ²	65 158,93 Tb terbio 4f ⁸ 6s ²	66 162,50 Dy disprosio 4f ⁹ 6s ²	67 164,93 Ho olmio 4f ¹⁰ 6s ²	68 167,26 Er erbio 4f ¹¹ 6s ²	69 168,93 Tm tulio 4f ¹² 6s ²	70 173,04 Yb itterbio 4f ¹³ 6s ²	71 174,97 Lu lutezio 4f ¹⁴ 5d ¹ 6s ²
89 227 Ac attinio 6d ¹ 7s ²	90 232,04 Th torio 6d ² 7s ²	91 231 Pa protoattinio 5f ² 6d ¹ 7s ²	92 238,03 U uranio 5f ³ 6d ¹ 7s ²	93 237 Np nettunio 5f ⁴ 6d ¹ 7s ²	94 244 Pu plutonio 5f ⁶ 7s ²	95 243 Am americio 5f ⁷ 7s ²	96 247 Cm curio 5f ⁷ 6d ¹ 7s ²	97 247 Bk berkelio 5f ⁹ 7s ²	98 251 Cf californio 5f ¹⁰ 7s ²	99 254 Es einstenio 5f ¹¹ 7s ²	100 257 Fm fermio 5f ¹² 7s ²	101 258 Md mendelevio 5f ¹³ 7s ²	102 259 No nobelio 5f ¹⁴ 7s ²	103 260 Lr lawrencio 5f ¹⁴ 6d ¹ 7s ²



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Elemento: metallo semimetallo non-metallo

Simbolo → H → 2,2 ← Elettronegatività (Pauling)

Gradi di ossidazione (1) → +1 ab - - ← Proprietà redox a pH 14 (3)

Proprietà acido/base (2) → 0 - r R ← Proprietà redox a pH 0 (3)

- (1) in rosso: g.o. importanti; in verde: g.o. rappresentati prevalentemente da complessi
- (2) A = acido forte; a = acido debole; ab = anfotero; b = base debole; B = base forte
- (3) O = ossidante forte; o = ossidante medio; r = riducente medio; R = riducente forte

La	Ce	Pr	Nd	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb	Lu
1,1	1,1	1,1	1,1		1,2	1,2	1,2	1,2	1,2	1,2	1,2	1,2	1,3	1,3
+3 b - -	+4 b 0 -	+4 ? 0 0	+3 b - -	+3 b - -	+3 b - -	+3 b - -	+3 b - -	+4 ? 0 0	+3 b - -	+3 b - -	+3 b - -	+3 b - -	+3 ab - -	+3 ab - -
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1,1	1,3	1,5	1,4	1,4	1,3	1,3	1,3	1,3	1,3	1,3	1,3	1,3	1,3	1,3
+3 b - -	+4 b - -	+5 b - ?	+6 ab 0 -	+7 ab 0 0	+6 b 0 0	+5 b 0 0	+4 b 0 0	+4 b 0 0	+3 b - -	+3 b - -	+3 b - -	+3 b - -	+3 b 0 ?	+3 b - -
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MOLE (mol)

quantity of an element or a chemical species equal to its atomic or molecular weight expressed in grams.

Ex.: a.m of C = 12,01 amu, 1 mole of C has mass equal to 12,01 g

Ex.: m.m. of H₂O = 18 amu, 1 mole of H₂O has mass equal to 18 g

Hence, a.m. and m.m. can also be expressed in g/mol

A mole of any element or chemical compound contains the same number of elements or compounds and this number is the **AVOGADRO NUMBER (N)**.

$$N = 6,02 \times 10^{23}$$

- ✓ 1 mol of C weighs 12.01 g (atomic weight 12.01 uma) and contains 6.02×10^{23} (N) C atoms
- ✓ 1 mol of H₂O weighs 18 g (weight formula 18 uma) contains 6.02×10^{23} (N) H₂O molecules



AVOGADRO NUMBER

A mole of any element contains the same number of atoms

Ex:

- ✓ a.m. of C = 12,01 amu,
- ✓ 1 mole of C has a mass of 12,01 g
- ✓ conversion of the a.m. from amu to grams :

1. relation amu/grammi: $1 \text{ amu} = 1,6605665 \times 10^{-24} \text{ g}$

2. Proportion:

$$\text{a.m. in grams} : \text{m.a. in amu} = 1,6605665 \times 10^{-24} \text{ grammi} : 1 \text{ amu}$$

$$\text{a.m. C in grams} = \text{a.m. in amu} \times 1,6605665 \times 10^{-24} : 1 =$$

$$= (12,01 \times 1,6605665 \times 10^{-24}) \text{ g}$$

- ✓ Number of atoms in 1 mole of C =

$$= \text{total grams} / \text{a.m. in grams} =$$

$$= 12,01 \text{ g} / (12,01 \times 1,6605665 \times 10^{-24} \text{ g}) =$$

$$= 1 / 1,6605665 \times 10^{-24} =$$

$$= 6,02 \times 10^{23}$$

AVOGADRO NUMBER

AVOGADRO NUMBER

A mole of any chemical compound contains the same number of molecule

Ex:

✓ m.m. of H₂O = 18 amu, or in grams = $(18 \times 1,6605665 \times 10^{-24})$ g
(1 amu = $1,6605665 \times 10^{-24}$ g)

✓ 1 mole of H₂O has a mass of 18 g

✓ number of molecules in 1 mole of H₂O

$$\begin{aligned} &= \text{total grams} / \text{m.m. in grams} = \\ &= 18\text{g} / (18 \times 1,6605665 \times 10^{-24} \text{g}) = \\ &= 1 / 1,6605665 \times 10^{-24} = \\ &= \mathbf{6,02 \times 10^{23}} \end{aligned}$$

AVOGADRO NUMBER



AVOGADRO NUMBER and MOLE

AVOGADRO NUMBER (N) = $6,02 \times 10^{23}$ it is the reciprocal of the value of the a.m.u and corresponds to the number of atoms or molecules contained respectively in a mole

- ✓ 1 mol of Na contains $6,02 \times 10^{23}$ (N) atoms of Na and has a mass of 23 g (a.m. Na = 23 amu)
- ✓ 1 mol of NaCl contains $6,02 \times 10^{23}$ (N) *formula units* of NaCl and has a mass of 58.45 g (formula weight NaCl= 58.45 amu)
- ✓ 1 mol of electrons contains $6,02 \times 10^{23}$ (N) electrons, corresponds to **1 Faraday** and has a total electric charge of **-96485 Coulomb**

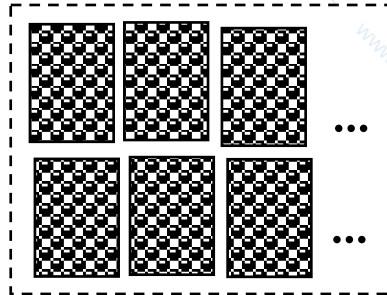


MASS, MOLE and MOLAR MASS



1 mole has
 N molecules
and mass = m.m.

◦ = molecola



“n” moles

Each mole contributes
with its mass to the total
mass (m_{tot})

The total mass (m_{tot}) of n moles of a chemical compound is

$m_{\text{tot}} = \text{number of moles} \times \text{molecular mass}$

$$m_{\text{tot}} = n \times m.m.$$

Indeed

Total mass of moles : n moles = m.m. : 1 mole

Total mass of n moles = m.m. x n moles / 1 mole

Therefore, if we want to calculate the number of moles of a chemical species contained in a given total mass

number of moles = total mass of n moles / m.m.

$$n = m_{\text{tot}} / m.m.$$

Indeed

n moles : total mass of n moles = 1 mole : m.m.

n moles = 1 mole x total mass of n moles / m.m

Excercises

1) Calculate the molar mass of and the mass of 0.1 moles of

- PbO_2 (lead oxide)
- LiCoO_2 (lithium cobaltite, LCO, first Sony Lithium ion batteries)
- Graphite (C_6)
- LiMnO_2 (Lithium manganate, LMO, layered oxide)
- LiMn_2O_4 ((Lithium manganate, LMO, spinel))
- $\text{Li}(\text{Ni}_{0.5}\text{Mn}_{0.5})\text{O}_2$ (Lithium Nickel Manganese oxide, NMO)
- LiFePO_4 (Lithium iron phosphate, LPO, olivine)
- $\text{LiNi}_{0.33}\text{Co}_{0.33}\text{Mn}_{0.33}\text{O}_2$ (NMC)
- $\text{LiNi}_{0.8}\text{Co}_{0.15}\text{Al}_{0.05}\text{O}_2$ (NCA, Panasonic cells!)
- LiPF_6 (Lithium hexafluorophosphate, salt in LP30 Lithium battery electrolyte)

2) How many moles of are contained in 1 kg of:

- Li
- Pb
- Si
- O_2
- S
- H_2

3) Calculate the charge of $5,0 \cdot 10^{-2}$ moles of electrons

4) Cobalt is considered a critical element for cost, low abundance and low environmental compatibility. Calculate the mass and weight percentage of Co in 1kg of a) LiCoO_2 , b) $\text{LiNi}_{0.33}\text{Co}_{0.33}\text{Mn}_{0.33}\text{O}_2$ and c) $\text{LiNi}_{0.8}\text{Co}_{0.15}\text{Al}_{0.05}\text{O}_2$

Percentage purity and composition

✓ **percentage by weight** = quantity by weight of a component contained in 100 parts of the total mass of the sample

$$\%p/p = \frac{\text{massa}_{\text{component}} \times 100}{\text{massa}_{\text{total}}} \quad [\text{dimensionless}]$$

The same unit for the component and total mass!
ex: grams of the component in 100 grams total

The solutions

They are physically homogeneous but chemically heterogeneous material systems, made up of different chemical species in variable ratios

They can be:

- gaseous (gas/gas)
- liquid (liquid / liquid, liquid / dissolved gas, dissolved liquid / solid)
- solid (alloys, mixed crystals)

The solutions consist of at least one solvent (the component present in greater quantity) and a solute.

Examples:

Lithium-ion battery cathodes: mixed oxides

Anodes Li_xSi , Li_xSn alloys (Si and Sn are the solvents)

LP30 electrolyte solution:

1 M LiPF_6 in EC (ethylene carbonate):DMC (dimethyl carbonate) 1:1 (Liquid)

The electrolyte solutions electrochemical cells

The electrolyte solutions are ionic conductors, charge is carried by the movement of ions. To be useful in an electrochemical cell, the solvent/electrolyte system must be of sufficiently low resistance (i.e., sufficiently conductive) and high electrochemical stability for the electrochemical processes that drive the cell response.

- liquid solutions containing ionic species, such as, H^+ , Na^+ , Cl^- , Li^+ in either water or a nonaqueous solvent.

Examples:

Lead-acid batteries

Aqueous solution: 35% sulphuric acid (H_2SO_4) and 65% water

Lithium-ion batteries (LP30 electrolyte solution)

Organic solution:

1 M $LiPF_6$ in EC (ethylene carbonate):DMC (dimethyl carbonate) 1:1

- fused salts (e.g., molten salt batteries and fuel cells)
- ionically conductive polymers (e.g., Nafion, polyethylene oxide (PEO)- $LiClO_4$).
- solid electrolytes (e.g. ceramics, glass, lithium sulfide, sodium b-alumina, where charge is carried by mobile sodium ions that move between the aluminum oxide sheets).

Molarity

n = moles, V = volume

✓ **molarity** = number of solute moles in **1 liter of solution**

$$M_{\text{solute}} = \frac{n_{\text{solute}}}{V_{\text{solution in L}}} \quad [\text{mol L}^{-1}]$$

Molality

✓ **molality** = number of solute moles in **1 kg of solvent**

$$m_{\text{solute}} = \frac{n_{\text{solute}}}{\text{mass}_{\text{solvent in kg}}} \quad [\text{mol kg}^{-1}]$$

Ex: Calculate the molarity and the molality of a solution obtained by dissolving 1 g of LiPF_6 in 500 mL of EC:DMC (density of EC:DMC = 1.28 g/mL at RT)

Molar fraction

n= moles

✓ **molar fraction** = ratio between the moles of a component and the sum of the moles of all the components of the solution

$$X_{\text{component}} = \frac{n_{\text{component}}}{n_{\text{total}}} \quad [\text{dimensionless}]$$

the sum of the molar fractions of all the components is 1

ex: calculate the molar fractions of each element in the compound

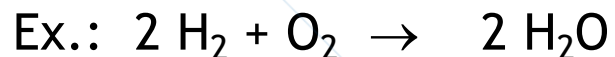


CHEMICAL REACTIONS

A chemical reaction leads to individual variation in the composition of the reagents and therefore leads to variation of their chemical properties.

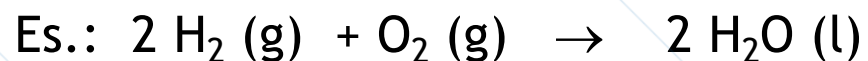
Example: in the reactions between acids and bases there is the neutralization of the reagents

To describe the chemical reactions we use CHEMICAL EQUATIONS, in which the reagents are written on the left and the products on the right; the arrow between reagents and products means "react to give"



PEM Fuel Cell reaction

Symbols (l), (g), (s), (acq) or (aq) placed AFTER each reagent or product indicate the respective states of aggregation liquid, gas, solid or if the substance is dissolved in water.



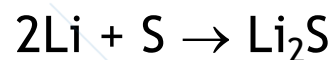
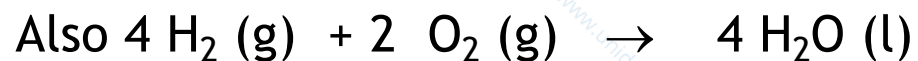
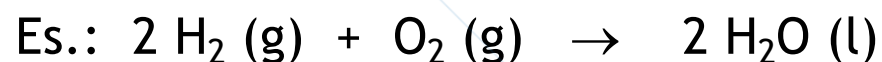
The reactions may involve reagents and products in the same phase (homogeneous reactions) in solution (gaseous, solid or liquid) or having different aggregation states (heterogeneous reactions)

Stoichiometry of the chemical reactions

The stoichiometry of a chemical reaction is the quantitative description of the relative quantities (in moles) of the substances involved in the reaction.

All reactions must be balanced, ie the same number of atoms of each element must be present on the left and right of the chemical equation (**principle of conservation of the mass**).

In order to balance a chemical equation, the STECHIOMETRIC COEFFICIENTS are used. They are suitable numbers put BEFORE the reagents and products that indicate the relative quantities of the products both in moles and in molecules.



Total mass of reagents + products is constant.
In general, the total number of moles is not preserved!

Never change the subscripts to balance a chemical equation,
it will change the compound chemistry

LIMITING REAGENT

The limiting reagent is the one present in a lower quantity than the stoichiometric quantity defined by the chemical equation

Given a chemical reaction, if the reagents are not present in stoichiometric ratio, the products will be formed according to their stoichiometric ratio with the limiting reagent

REACTION YIELD

absolute yield: grams or moles of product which has been experimentally obtained from a chemical reaction

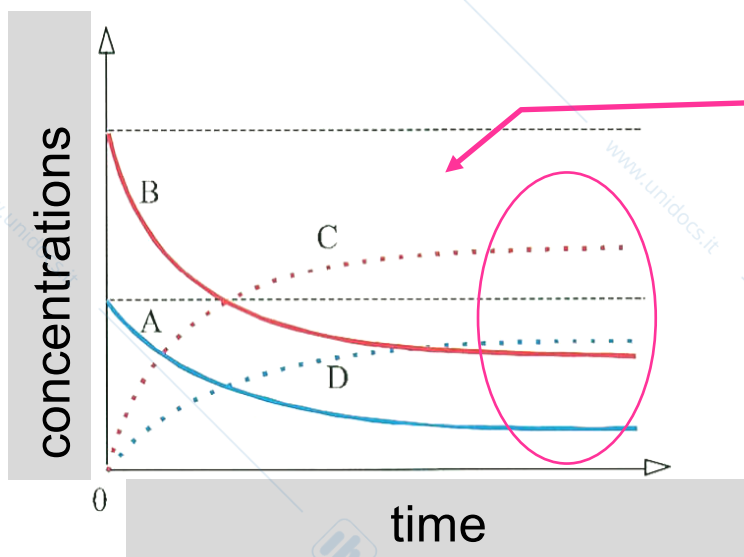
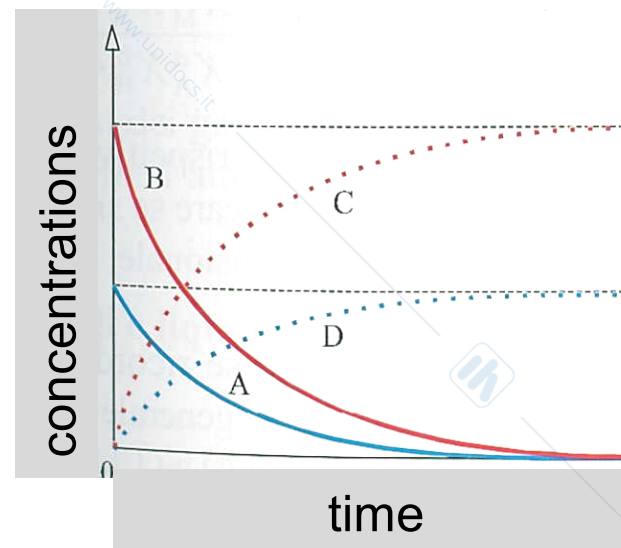
theoretical yield: grams or moles of product obtainable according to the reaction stoichiometry and based on the quantity of limiting reagent.

percentage yield: percentage of product obtained with respect to the quantity theoretically obtainable on the basis of the reaction stoichiometry, in the hypothesis that the limiting reagent reacts completely. The latter is calculated as:

$$\text{percentage yield} = \left(\frac{\text{mol}_{\text{obtained}}}{\text{mol}_{\text{theoretical}}} \right) \times 100 .$$

Chemical Equilibrium

✓ For complete reactions (single arrow), reagents A and B are consumed over time and products C and D are produced. If A and B are initially present in stoichiometric ratio, only C and D are present at the end of the reaction

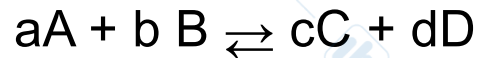


✓ When a chemical equilibrium is established, the direct reaction (from right to left) and inverse (from left to right) occur at the same speed (double arrow). There is a dynamic equilibrium, there are both the C and D products and the reagents and the relative concentrations do not vary over time.



Law of the Chemical Equilibrium

At a constant temperature, the ratio of the product of the equilibrium concentrations of the reaction products, elevated to the respective stoichiometric coefficients, and the product of the reactant concentrations, elevated to the respective stoichiometric coefficients, is constant.



$$\frac{[C]^c [D]^d}{[A]^a [B]^b} = K_{eq}$$

[C], [D], [A], [B] molar concentrations

High \Rightarrow

$$[C]^c [D]^d \gg [A]^a [B]^b$$

reaction shifted to the right

formation of products is favored

K_{eq}

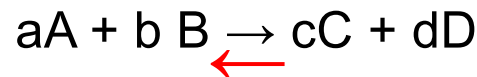


Low \Rightarrow

$$[C]^c [D]^d \ll [A]^a [B]^b$$

reaction shifted to the left

formation of reactants is favored



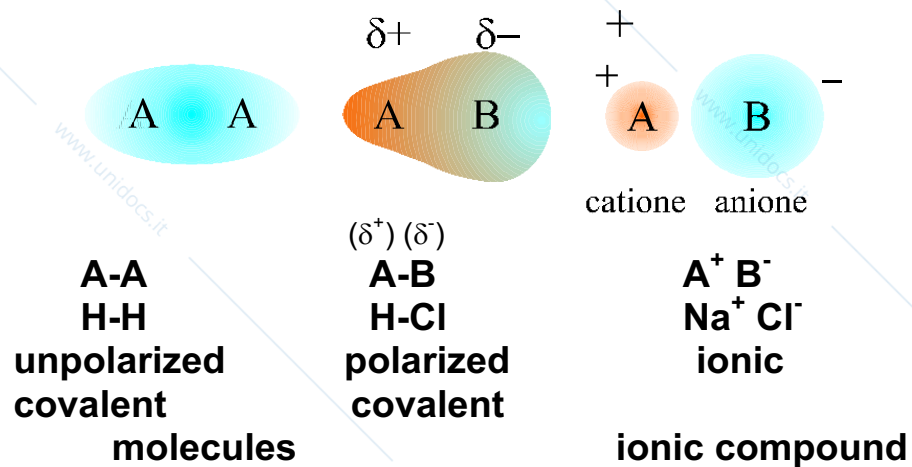
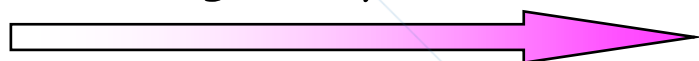
For heterogeneous reactions (products and or reagents in different aggregation states), K is given by placing the concentrations of pure liquid or solid compounds = 1 (their concentrations are constant). Only molar concentrations and the partial pressures appear.

TYPES OF CHEMICAL REACTIONS

- Ionic double exchange reactions
- Acid-base reactions
- **Redox reactions:** reactions with electron transfer between atoms of different molecules, with consequent variation of the oxidation number of the atoms involved.

Oxidation state (oxidation number, valence)

Electronegativity difference



The oxidation number is the formal charge that an atom would have in a compound if the electronic bond pair is considered wholly belonging to the most electronegative atom

The Periodic Table of the Elements reports the possible oxidation numbers for the different elements.

Rules for the assignment of the oxidation number (valence)

1. The oxidation number of an elementary substance is zero:

Ex. ox. n of Pb (s) = 0, ox. n of Li(s) = 0; ox. n of O in O₂ = 0

2. The sum of the oxidation numbers of all the atoms present in a neutral species is zero, in a polyatomic ion it is equal to the ion charge

Ex: PbO₂ ox.n. Pb=+4, ox.n. O=-2 $1x(\text{ox.n. Pb})+2x(\text{ox.n. O})=4+2x(-2)=0$

PF₆⁻: hexafluorophosphate anion (charge=-1) ox.n. P=+5, ox.n. F=-1

$1x(\text{ox.n. P})+6x(\text{ox.n. F})=5+6x(-1)=-1$

3. the oxidation number of an element in a monoatomic ion is equal to the ion charge

Es. LiPF₆ = Li⁺PF₆⁻ ox.n. of Li⁺ is +1

4. Some elements have the same oxidation number in all (or almost all) of their compounds

element	number of oxidation
I group	+1
II group	+2
Al	+3
O	-2 (oxides), -1 (peroxides)
H	+1 (except in hydride where is -1)
F	-1
Alogens nei composti metal-alogenides	-1

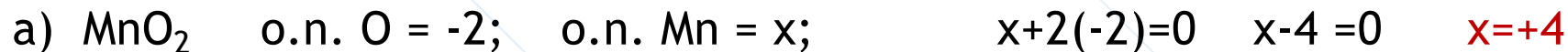
Evaluation of the average oxidation state of transition metals in oxides

Most transition metals have multiple oxidation states and their oxides can feature the presence of the same metal in different oxidation states. Therefore, in these compound, the average oxidation state of the metal is taken as representative of the reactivity.

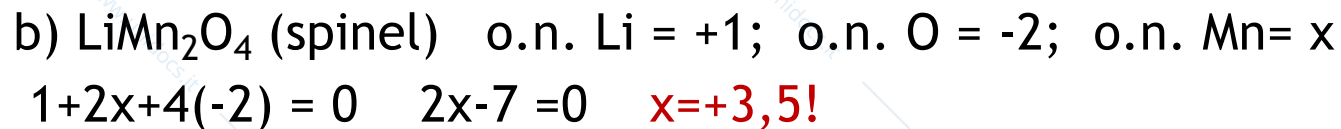
EX

To calculate the oxidation number of the elements in the following compounds

Possible oxidation numbers of Mn = +2, +3, +4, +6, +7



but



In the spinel structure both Mn (IV) and Mn (III) are present

LiMn₂O₄ spinel structure

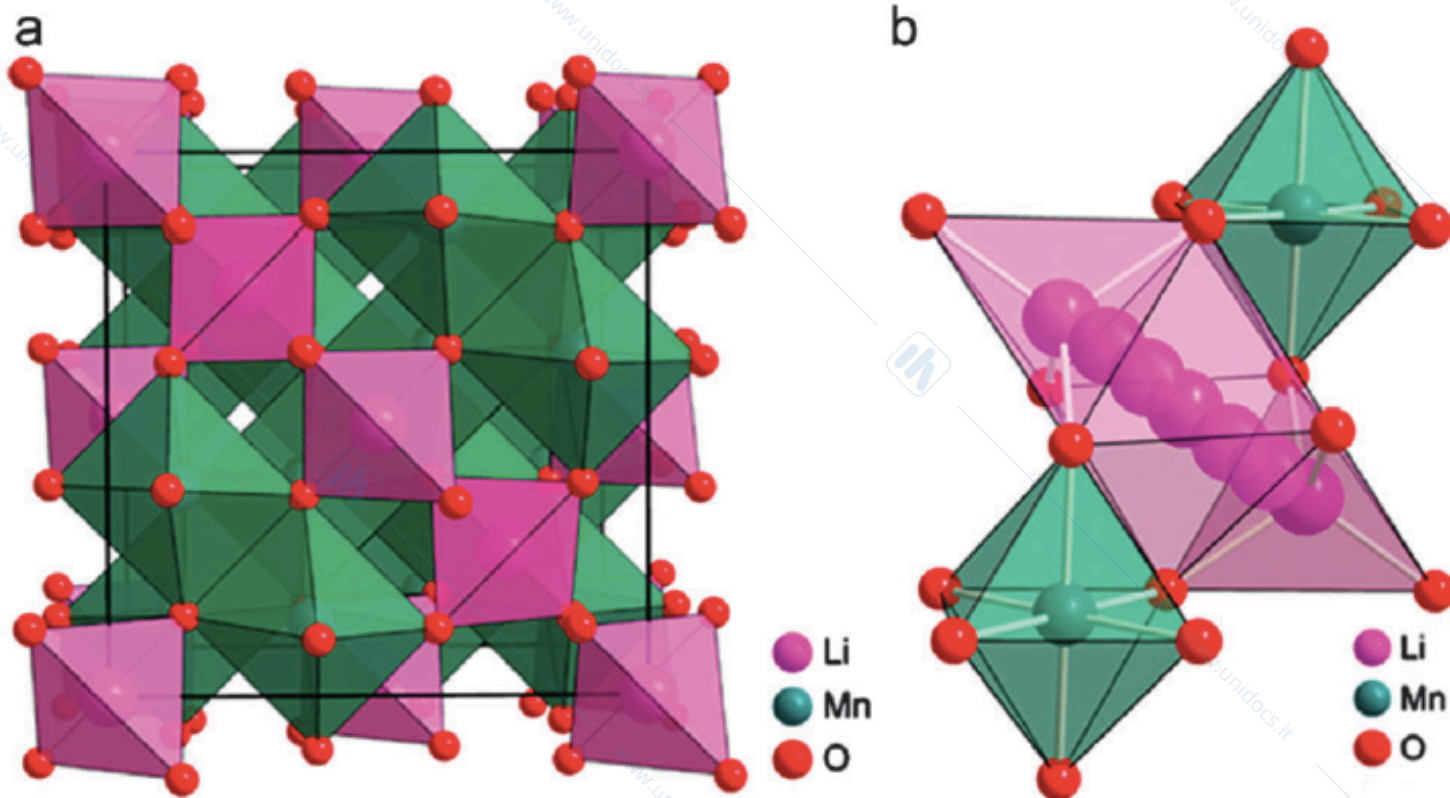
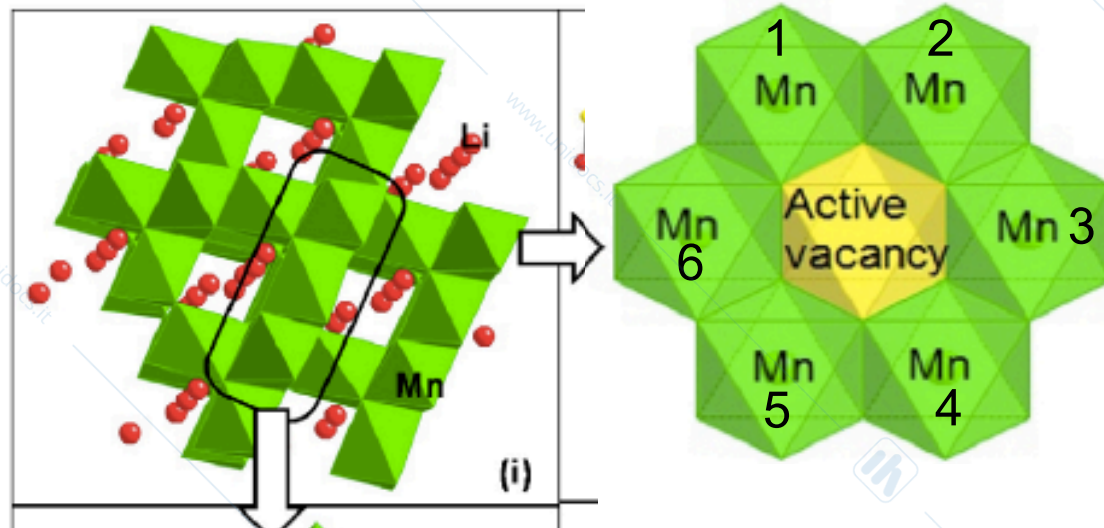


Fig. 12 (a) Crystalline structure of spinel LiMn₂O₄ and (b) its corresponding lithium diffusion pathways. Reprinted with permission from ref. 116. Copyright 2011 Royal Society of Chemistry.



Three-dimensional lithium ion diffusion paths in LiMn_2O_4 through lattice vacancies.

Mn valence states in Mn-rings surrounding the diffusing Li^+ in the vacancy

# of Mn^{4+}	Label	Mn1	Mn2	Mn3	Mn4	Mn5	Mn6
5	a	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	3+
4	b	4+	4+	3+	4+	4+	3+
	c	4+	4+	4+	3+	4+	3+
3	d	4+	3+	4+	3+	4+	3+
	e	4+	4+	3+	4+	3+	3+
2	f	4+	3+	3+	4+	3+	3+
1	g	4+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+

$$\text{Average valence} = [22 (+4) + 20(+3)] = 3.52$$

Excercises

1) Calcolate the oxidation number of the different elements in the following compounds

- LiCoO_2 (lithium cobaltite, LCO, first Sony Lithium ion batteries)
- Graphite (C_6)
- LiMnO_2 (LMO, layered oxide)
- LiFePO_4 (Lithium iron phosphate, LPO, olivine)
- $\text{Li}(\text{Ni}_{0.5}\text{Mn}^{\text{IV}}_{0.5})\text{O}_2$ (Lithium Nickel Manganese oxide, NMO)
- $\text{Li}_4\text{Ti}_5\text{O}_{12}$ (lithium titanate, LTO)
- $\text{LiNi}_{0.33}\text{Co}_{0.33}\text{Mn}_{0.33}\text{O}_2$ (NMC) ?????
- $\text{LiNi}_{0.8}\text{Co}_{0.15}\text{Al}_{0.05}\text{O}_2$ (NCA, Panasonic cells!) ????

In mixed metal transition oxides the oxidation number can be evaluated only by Chemical-physical methods: XRD, electrochemistry

REDOX REACTIONS

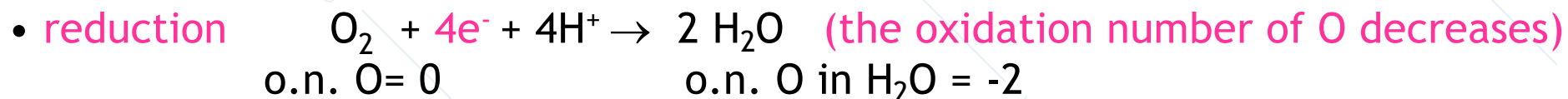
Reactions with electron transfer between atoms of different molecules, with consequent variation of the oxidation number of the atoms involved.

Example: Full redox reaction : $2 \text{H}_2 + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2 \text{H}_2\text{O}$

Semireactions:

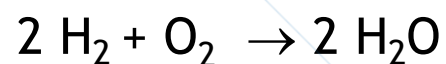
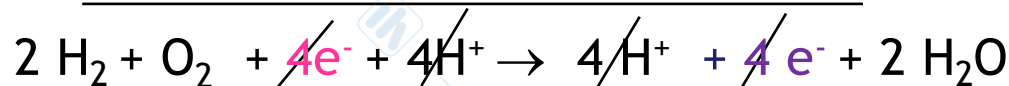
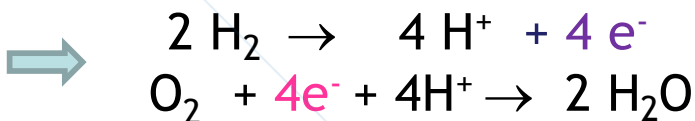
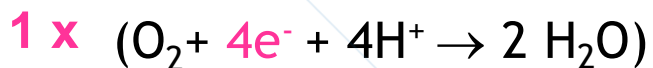
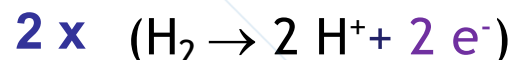


each H atom **loses** 1 electron. It is oxidized and is a reductant.



each O atom **gets** 2 electrons. It is reduced and is an oxidant

Redox reactions are balanced considering that the total number of electrons released by the reducing agent must be equal to the total number of electrons taken by the reduced species



The redox is the sum of the two combined half-reactions

Balancing redox reactions by the semireaction method

1. Identify the elements that change the oxidation number
2. Write the half-reactions and balance:
 - a) the atoms that change the o.n. and the relative electrons
 - b) the total charges (eventually by adding positive or negative ions)
 - c) the mass
3. Combine and sum the two half-reactions, each one multiplied by the electron balancing factor

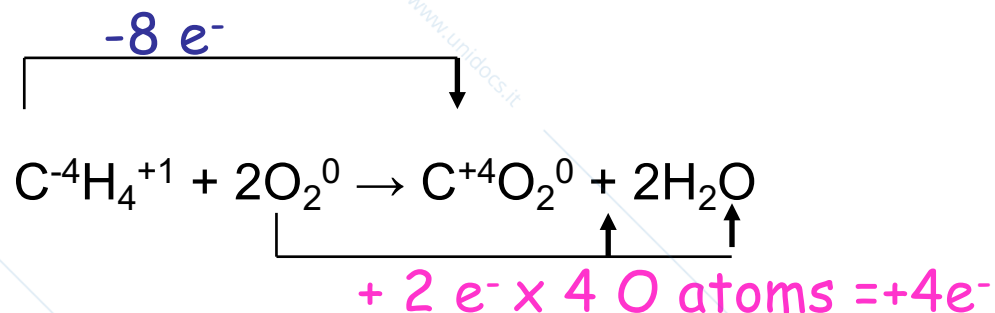
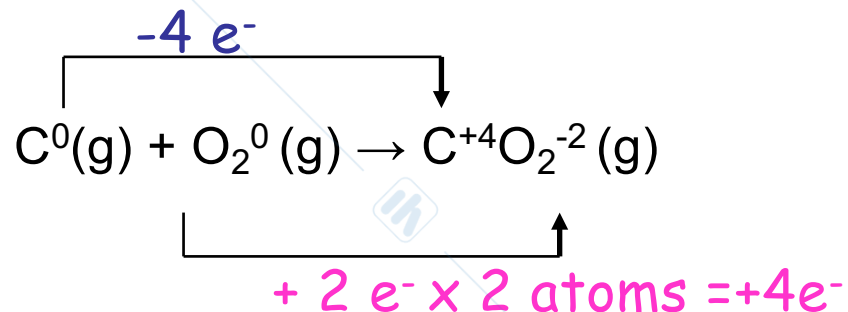
Balancing redox reactions in molecular form

1. Identify the elements that change the oxidation number
2. Balance the atoms that change the o.n. and the relative electrons
3. Multiply each semireaction by the electron balancing factor and complete the mass balance

Combustion reaction

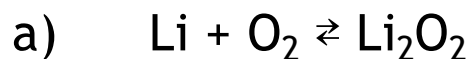
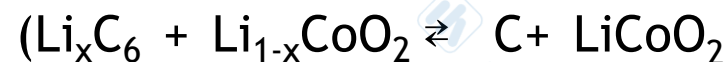
It is a chemical reaction that involves the oxidation of a fuel (eg coal, methane, ...) by a comburent that is typically oxygen (which is reduced) with heat development.

Exemples.



Ex.

1) Balance the following redox reactions (battery cell reactions) by the semireaction method



2) Individuate the oxidant and the reductant species in ex (1)

3) Evaluate the charge (in Coulomb, C, and Ah) that is exchanged between the reactants for mole and gram of each redox reactant species and for the overall reactants (consider the reaction complete)

1 Ah is the charge that is obtained when 1 A current flows over 1 hour

$$1 \text{ Ah} = 1 \text{ C/s} \times 3600 \text{ s} = 3600 \text{ C}$$

- 4) Calculate the amount (moles) of Li^+ ions that are required to balance the semireactions of eq. 1c-h (exercise 1) for mole of reactant. If the source of Li^+ ions is the salt LiPF_6 , which is the volume of LP30 electrolyte and the amount of salt (in gram) required for gram of reactant?
- 5) Which is the amount of Li(s) required for a complete reaction with 1 g of MnO_2 in eq 1e?
- 6) Write the oxidation reactions of the following lithium-ion battery cathode materials

Material	LiFePO_4	LiMn_2O_4	LiCoO_2	LiNiO_2	NMC
Crystal Structure	Olivine	Spinel	Layered	Layered	Layered
Discharge Voltage	3.4	4.0	3.9	3.8	3.8
Capacity	155 (170)	110-148	140-274	180-274	140-277