

## CHEMISTRY QUICK SHEET

**Mole:** is a chemical mass unit, that is defined as  $6.022 \times 10^{23}$  amount of particles (atoms, molecules or some other units). The mass of a mole is molecular weight in grams. **Example:** 1 mole of  $\text{NH}_3$  has  $6.022 \times 10^{23}$  molecules, and weighs about 17 grams.

**Molarity** (a concentration unit) =  $\frac{\text{Number of Moles of solute}}{\text{Number of Liters of solution}}$

**Molality** (a unit of concentration) =  $\frac{\text{Number of moles of solute}}{\text{Number of kilograms of solvent}}$

**Normality** (a concentration unit) =  $\frac{\text{Gram equivalent weights of solute}}{\text{Number of liters of solution}}$

**Gram equivalent weight** =  $\frac{\text{Molecular weight of an element (or compound) expressed in grams}}{\text{Valency of the element, or of each cation/anion in the compound}}$

**Example:** Carbon-12 has an equivalent weight of 3 grams (Valency of Carbon-12 is 4)

**Strong acid:** an acid that is completely dissociated in an aqueous (water) solution. **Examples:** HCl, HBr, HI,  $\text{HClO}_4$ ,  $\text{HNO}_3$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$

**Strong base:** a base that is completely dissociated in an aqueous (water) solution. **Examples:** KOH, NaOH, RbOH, CsOH

**Weak acid:** an acid that is partially dissociated in an aqueous (water) solution.

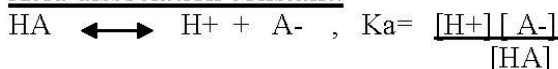
**Weak base:** a base that is partially dissociated in an aqueous (water) solution.

**Examples** of Weak acids/Weak bases: Acetic acid ( $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$ ), HF,  $\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3$ , Citric acid,  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$

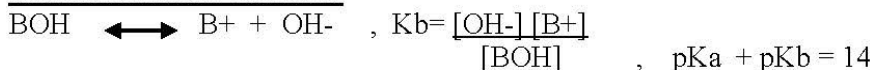
**pH** =  $-\log([\text{conc. of H}^+ \text{ ion}]) = \log 1/([\text{H}^+ \text{ ion conc.}])$

**pOH** =  $-\log([\text{conc. of OH}^- \text{ ion}]) = \log 1/([\text{OH}^- \text{ ion conc.}])$ ,  $\text{pH} = 14 - \text{pOH}$

**Acid dissociation constant:**



**Base dissociation constant:**



**Henderson- Hasselbalch equation:**

$$\text{pH} = \text{p}K_a + \log \frac{[\text{A}^-]}{[\text{HA}]}, \text{pOH} = \text{p}K_b + \log \frac{[\text{B}^+]}{[\text{BOH}]}$$

**Equilibrium constant:**



$$\text{Equilibrium constant } K = \frac{[\text{A}]^a [\text{B}]^b}{[\text{C}]^c [\text{D}]^d}$$

Name of Element	Nickel
Atomic weight	58.6934
Symbol for hydrogen	Ni
Atomic number	28

The **Nucleus**, at the center of the atom, contains the heavier protons and neutrons.

**Electrons** orbit around the nucleus in electronic shells. The first electronic shell can contain a maximum of 2 electrons, the second electronic shell can contain a maximum of 8 electrons, the third electronic shell, a maximum of 18 electrons, etc.

**Neutron:** The particle in the atomic nucleus with a mass = 1 atomic mass unit, and charge = 0 (neutral)

**Atomic number:** The number of protons in an element. If the element is neutral, atomic number is also equal to the number of electrons in the element.

**Atomic weight:** The average mass of an atom of an element, usually expressed relative to the mass of Carbon 12, which is assigned 12 atomic mass units (amu).

**Molecular mass:** the sum of the atomic masses of the atoms in a molecule.

**Isotope:** different forms of a single element that have the same number of protons (atomic number), but differing numbers of neutrons (different atomic weight). **Examples:** Carbon 12 and Carbon 14 are both isotopes of Carbon, one with 6 neutrons and one with 8 neutrons (both with 6 protons).

**Valency:** the number of electrons needed to fill the outermost shell of an atom. **Examples:** neutral Carbon atom has 6 electrons, an electron shell configuration of  $1s^2 2s^2 2p^2$ , and has a valence of 4, since 4 electrons can be accepted to fill the 2p orbital. Group I has 1 valence electron, Group II has 2 valence electrons, and so on.

**Cation:** Ion with positive charge(s), **Example:**  $K^+$  (potassium ion),  $Ca^{2+}$  (calcium ion)

**Anion:** Ion with negative charge(s), **Example:**  $PO_4^{3-}$  (phosphate ion),  $CO_3^{2-}$  (Carbonate ion)

**Lewis structures:** are an opportunity to better visualize the valence electrons of elements.

**Homogeneous solution:** This is a uniform mixture consisting of only one phase. **Examples:** gasoline, margarine, etc.

**Heterogeneous solution:** The parts of a heterogeneous composition can be mechanically separated from each other. **Examples:** salad, trail mix, sand in water, etc.

**Solute:** the substance that is dissolved in a solution. **Example:** salt in water

**Solvent:** It is the substance in which the solute is dissolved. **Example:** water

**Solution:** A homogeneous mixture of two or more substances.

**Buffer:** A solution containing either a weak acid and its salt or a weak base and its salt, which is resistant to changes in pH. **Examples:**  $Na_2CO_3$  and  $H_2CO_3$ , Acetic acid and Sodium acetate,  $H_3PO_4$  and  $K_3PO_4$

**Ideal Gas Law:**  $PV = nRT$ , where P is pressure, V is volume, n is number of moles, and T is temperature in Kelvins. The gas constant  $R = 0.0821 \text{ liter} \cdot \text{atm} / \text{mol} \cdot \text{K}$

**Kelvin = Celsius + 273.15.** Also note: 0 K is 'absolute zero', and there are no negative Kelvin temperatures.

**Noble gas:** elements found in **Group 8** at the far right of the Periodic Table. **Examples:** Helium, argon, xenon

**Halogens:** nonmetal elements in **Group 7** of the Periodic table. **Examples:** Fluorine, Chlorine, Bromine, Iodine

**Covalent bonds:** bind atoms tightly to each other in stable molecules, but weakly to other molecules in the material. They have low melting points. **Example:** Carbon tetrachloride is a non-polar covalent molecule ( $CCl_4$ ), with a Melting point is  $-23^\circ\text{C}$ .

**Ionic bonds:** are between atoms (ions) that show strong attractions to other ions in their vicinity. They have high melting points. **Example:** solid NaCl is an ionic molecule, with a Melting point of  $800^\circ\text{C}$ .

Intermolecular hydrogen bonding is responsible for the high Boiling point of water ( $100^\circ\text{C}$ )

**Hexagonal Closest Packed (HCC):** described as ABABAB, with 14 atoms (7 in each of 2 layers). 12 nearest neighbors – 6 in plane, 3 above and 3 below. **Packing efficiency is 74%**

**Cubic Closest Packed (CCP):** described as ABCABCABC, with 14 atoms (the 4 successive layers having 1, 6, 6, and 1 atoms). 12 nearest neighbors – 6 in plane, 3 above and 3 below. **Packing efficiency is 74%.**

**Body Centered Cubic (BCC):** This is not a closed packed structure, and is a more open and softer structure. 8 nearest neighbors. **Packing efficiency is 68%.**