

Allotropy:

- The existence of same element in different physical forms is called allotropy.
- Allotropes of an element have similar chemical properties, but different physical properties.
- Allotropic forms may differ in
 - 1) Crystal structure
 - 2) Arrangement of atoms
 - 3) Atomicity
- Carbon has two types of allotropic forms
 - 1) Crystalline (a) Diamond (b) Graphite
 - 2) Amorphous (Microcrystalline) coal, coke, charcoal, animal charcoal. Lamp black, carbon black, petroleum coke, gas carbon, sugar charcoal.

Diamond:

Diamonds are measured in carats.

One carat = 0.2 g = 200 mg

- In India, Kohinoor & Pitt diamonds are available. Kohinoor is 186 carats & Pitt is 136.25 carats.
- Heaviest known diamond in the world is Cullinan. It has 3026 carats (S.Africa)

Properties:

- Diamond is the hardest known substance
- It glitters because its refractive index is high i.e., 2.45.
- It has highest m.p. than any other element i.e., 4200 K.
- Diamonds are insulators i.e., bad conductors of electricity.
- It is transparent to light & x-rays.
- It is insoluble in any solvent.
- It is the purest crystalline form of C.
- It is inert form of carbon.
- It is stable up to 1500°C. On heating in vacuum above 1500°C, it changes to graphite. [1500–800°C]

Structure:

- In diamond, C is sp^3 hybridised. Each C is tetrahedrally bonded to four other carbons by strong sigma bonds.
- C – C bond length is 1.54 Å.
- C – C – C bond angle is 109°.
- It is a three-dimensional giant polymeric

- It is the hardest with highest m.p. because of its polymeric structure.
- It is bad conductor as all the four valence electrons are utilised in bonding & number of electrons is left free.

Uses:

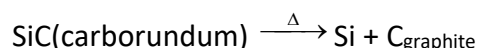
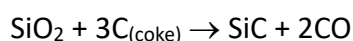
- In jewellery as precious stones.
- In cutting tools.
- As abrasives.

Graphite:

- It is also known as black lead or plumbago.
- It is thermo dynamically more stable. It is good conductor of heat & electricity because each C is left with one free electron.
- It's melting point is very high i.e., around 3500°C.

Preparation of artificial graphite:

- Graphite is artificially prepared by Acheson's process. Coke is heated with silica above 3500°C in an electric furnace.
- The SiC is formed & it decomposes to give graphite on further heating



Structure of graphite:

- C is sp² hybridized. Each C is bonded to three other carbons by strong σ bonds. The fourth valence electron of all carbon atoms together will form a delocalised π-electron cloud which is responsible for the conducting nature of graphite.
- Graphite consists of hexagonal rings.
- It has layer lattice structure.
- The layers are bound by Vanderwall forces.
- The distance between the layers is 3.35 Å.
- C – C bondlength is 1.42 Å.
- High melting point of graphite is due to its two dimensional polymeric structure.
- C – Ĉ – C bond angle is 120°.
- The soft & slippery nature of graphite is due to layer lattice structure.

Uses:

Used in lead pencils (consists graphite & clay).

- As dry lubricant.
- In making electrodes.
- As moderator in nuclear reactors.
- In painting stoves.
- In electroplating & electrotyping.

Silica (SiO₂)

- Silica is more abundant in the nature in the form of silicates. Mainly in the form of aluminium silicate.
- SiO₂ exhibits allotropy.

(1) **Crystalline forms:** Quartz, trydimite , Crystobalite

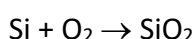
At low temperature, α form & at high temperature β form of each crystalline exists. Pure quartz is colourless & impure quartz is coloured

(2) **Amorphous Forms:** Agate, Jasper, Onyx are the amorphous forms of silica.

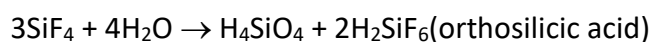
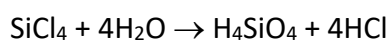
- Sand stone consists of sand particles & iron oxide.
- Flint silica consists of both Quartz & amorphous forms.
- Kiesulguhr silica consists of minute sea organisms.

Preparation of silica:

(1) By burning of Si in O₂



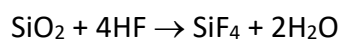
(2) By hydrolysis of SiCl₄ or SiF₄.



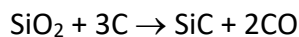
- Silica is insoluble in water
- Silica is soluble only in HF among all the acids

Chemical properties:

1) **With HF:** It reacts with HF to give SiF₄.



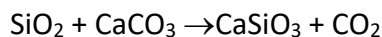
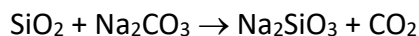
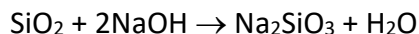
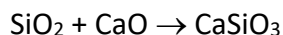
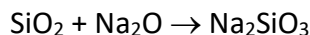
2) **With coke:** on heating silica with coke, SiC or carborundum is formed. SiC is very hard substance



3) Acidic nature:

- SiO_2 is slightly acidic in nature.

∴ It reacts with bases, basic oxides and basic carbonates to give corresponding silicates.

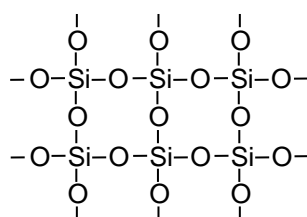


Action of Heat :

- On heating, one form changes to another form & above 1700°C all the forms change into liquid state.
- Quartz is the purest form of silica.

Structure of silica:

- In SiO_2 , each Si is tetrahedrally bonded to four oxygen atoms.
- Though Si is bonded to four 'O's, the formula is SiO_2 because those four 'O's are inturn shared by other silicons.
- It is 3-dimensional giant polymer resembling diamond.
- But, SiO_2 is soft with low m.p. when compared to diamond because Si – O – Si bonds are weak.



There is no direct Si – Si Bond

Uses of Silica :

- As building material .
- Quartz glass is used to prepare glass to work with u, v radiation.
- In the preparation of sand bricks used for lining of furnaces.
- Coloured quartz is used in making lenses, optical instruments.
- As acid flux in metallurgy.

Fuel gases:

- Fuels burn in air & produce heat energy.
- Calorific value can be expressed as the heat energy released per gram.
- Calorific value is also expressed as kJ/m³ for gaseous fuels.
- Out of solid, liquid & gaseous fuels, the gaseous fuels are more advantageous because of
 - a) High calorific value. b) No ash & no smoke.
 - c) Easy to transport.

Producer gas:

- It is the mixture of CO(33%) + N₂(64%).

Manufacture:

- It is manufactured in a furnace named as gas producer by the incomplete combustion of coal.
- The furnace is filled with coal & air is sent into it through its bottom.
- Some of the coal is burnt to give CO₂, which rises up through hot beds of coal & gets reduced to CO.
$$\text{C} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{CO}_2$$
$$\text{CO}_2 + \text{C} \rightarrow 2\text{CO}$$
- Through the exit at the top, producer gas is collected.
- Its calorific value is very low because N₂ is non-combustible.
- It should be used on the spot to avoid loss of heat.

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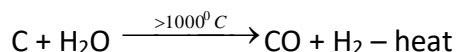
- As fuel in steel & glass industries
- As fuel in gas engines.
- As fuel in the manufacture of ammonia

Water gas:

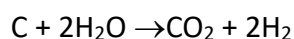
- It is the mixture of CO & H₂ in 1 : 1 ratio by volume. It is also known as blue gas as both components burn with blue flame.
- It is also called synthesis gas.

Manufacture:

- By passing steam over white hot coke water gas is prepared.



- The above reaction is endothermic & hence the coke becomes cold after some time. If steam is passed over cold coke, unwanted reaction occurs.



- To maintain required temperature air is supplied for sometime. Thus, steam & air are supplied alternately over coke to produce water gas.
- Water gas has high calorific value.

Uses:

- As fuel in various industries.
- In the manufacture of ammonia by Haber's process.

Semiwater Gas: (Thin producer gas)

- It is the mixture CO , H_2 & N_2 ($\text{CO} + \text{H}_2 + \text{N}_2$)
- The order of their volumes in semiwater gas.
 $\text{N}_2 > \text{CO} > \text{H}_2$
 55%, 25%, 10%
- Semi-water gas is obtained by passing steam & air simultaneously over white hot coke.
- Its calorific value is less than that of water gas.

Uses:

- As fuel in steel industry.
- In internal combustion engines.

Carburetted water gas:

- It is mixture of water gas & hydro carbons.
- The order of volumes of various gases in the carbureted water gas : $\text{H}_2 > \text{CO} > \text{Saturated hydrocarbons} > \text{Unsaturated hydrocarbons}$
- Its calorific value is very high.
- It is also used as industrial fuel.
- For the above fuel gases, the order of calorific values is
 Carburetted water gas > water gas > semi water gas > producer gas.