## **OXIDES:**

 VI group elements form two types of oxides, dioxides of the type MO<sub>2</sub> and trioxides of the type MO<sub>3</sub>.

## Dioxides:

- O<sub>3</sub> may be treated as Oxygen dioxide (OO<sub>2</sub>).
- Dioxides can be prepared directly by burning the elements in air

$$Ex.S + O_2 \rightarrow SO_2$$

SO<sub>2</sub> can also be prepared by heating metal sulphides (sulphide ores) in air.

$$4FeS_2+ 11O_2 \rightarrow 2Fe_2O_3 + 8SO_2$$
  
2ZnS + 3O<sub>2</sub> → 2ZnO + 2SO<sub>2</sub>

- SO<sub>2</sub> is highly soluble in water and forms hydrated SO<sub>2</sub>
- SO<sub>2</sub> can be condensed to liquid which is used as a solvent.
- SO<sub>2</sub> acts as a **lewis base** due to presence of lone pairs of electrons.
- SO<sub>2</sub> acts as a **reducing agent** in both in acid and in alkaline medium.
- SO<sub>2</sub> reduces K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> in to chromium sulphate

$$K_2Cr_2O_7 + H_2SO_4 + 3SO_2 \rightarrow K_2SO_4 + Cr_2(SO_4) + H_2O$$

- SO<sub>2</sub> acts as a **bleaching agent** in the presence of moisture.
- The bleaching action of SO<sub>2</sub> is due to **reduction**.

$$SO_2 + 2 H_2O \rightarrow H_2SO_4 + 2 (H)$$

- During bleaching SO<sub>2</sub> will be oxidised to H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>
- Coloured matter + 2(H) → Colourless product
- SO<sub>2</sub> bleaching is temporary bleaching
- Acidic nature decreases from SO<sub>2</sub> to PoO<sub>2</sub>.
- Trioxides are more acidic than corresponding dioxides.

## **Trioxides:**

 Sulphur trioxide can be prepared by reacting SO<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>2</sub> in the presence of catalyst like Pt or V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> or NOSO<sub>3</sub>.

$$2SO_2 + O_2 \xrightarrow{Catalyst} 2SO_3$$
  $?H = -196 \text{ kJ}$ 

SO<sub>3</sub> is the anhydride of H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>

$$SO_3 + H_2O \rightarrow H_2SO_4$$
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- It is called **Sulphuric anhydride**.
- SO<sub>2</sub> is angular in shape.
- Sulphur in SO<sub>2</sub> is in sp<sup>2</sup> hybridisation.
- Number of pairs =  $\frac{6+0}{2}$  =3 (2BP + 1LP)
- Sulphur atom is in double bonds with oxygen atoms.
- One oxygen of SO<sub>2</sub> form a  $p\pi$   $p\pi$  bond and another oxygen atom form  $p\pi$   $d\pi$  bond

with sulphur atom.

The structure of SO<sub>2</sub> is a resonance hybride of two structures

Shape: Angular; Hybridisation: sp<sup>2</sup>; bond angle is less than 120° (119.5°) ⊕≠0. (dipole moment is not zero)

excited :3s<sup>2</sup> 3p<sup>4</sup>

$$3s^2 3p^3 3d^1$$

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160 pm

140 pm

SO<sub>3</sub> has planar triangular structure

In solid state : (polymeric structure) cyclic (27) or chain(277 or 2)

Cyclic form Chain form(

22- form)

In aqueous state  $SO_3$  exists as  $[SO_4^{2-}$  - tetrahedral]

**Oxyacids** 

'Ous' acids 'ic' acids

 $MO_2 + H_2O \rightarrow ous acids$  $MO_3 + H_2O \rightarrow ic acids$ 

 $H_2SO_3$  $H_2SO_4$  $H_2SeO_3$ H<sub>2</sub>SeO<sub>4</sub> H<sub>2</sub>TeO<sub>3</sub> H<sub>2</sub>TeO<sub>4</sub>

Acidic nature – decreases for sulphur oxyacids to tellurium oxyacids

- - ic acids > ous acids
- – ous acids and their salts act as reducing agents
- - ic acids and their salts act as oxidising agents

## Acidic nature:

 $H_2SO_3 > H_2SeO_3 > H_2TeO_3$  $H_2SO_4 > H_2SeO_4 > H_2TeO_4$