

# CHEM 1210 Lecture Notes

## OpenStax Chemistry 2e

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## COURSE ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

- My office hours
- Intro to my research
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- Grading details
  - Exams - 40, Final - 20, Online Homework - 15, Book Homework - 15, Quizzes - 10
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- Show how to access Canvas
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- Introduction to chemistry
  - Ruby fluorescence
  - Levomethamphetamine
  - Submerged salt crystals grow due dynamic equilibrium
  - Rubber band elasticity
  - Structure of the periodic table
  - Salt on ice and purifying hydrogen peroxide

## CHAPTER 1

## ESSENTIAL IDEAS

## 1.1 Chemistry in Context

- Modern chemistry is the end result of thousands of years of humans trying to explain and control the materials around them
- Early forays into chemistry (such as alchemy) had deep mystical roots and often relied on serendipity to make good progress
- Modern chemistry is a rigorous science, relying on falsifiability and the scientific method (Figure 1.4)
- We sometimes refer to chemistry as “The Central Science” (Figure 1.3)
- To adequately describe and understand chemical phenomena, we often talk from different perspectives

**Macroscopic Domain** This is what we observe with bulk substances. Two chemicals react to produce a new chemical

**Microscopic Domain** We now understand that all microscopic effects are governed by the behavior of *microscopic* actors (molecules, atoms, electrons, etc.)

**Symbolic Domain** Effectively communicating chemical ideas requires new language. Chemical formulas, equations, and mechanisms are all symbolic representations

All three domains are on display in Figure 1.5

## 1.2 Phases and Classification of Matter

- Three primary phases of matter are shown in Figure 1.5 (and 1.6)
- Plasmas are like a gas, but with electrically charged particles
- Mass vs Weight (for very fine measurements, the difference matters even on Earth due to buoyancy)
- Figure 1.8 illustrates the *law of conservation of matter*
- Classifying matter (Figure 1.11)
  - Pure Substances
    - \* Elements (Anything on the *periodic table of the elements*)
    - \* Compounds (Combinations of elements – can have very different properties from their constituent elements)
  - Mixtures

- \* Heterogeneous mixtures (variable composition)
- \* Homogeneous mixtures (i.e. solutions, continuous composition)
- Table 1.1 shows the abundance of many elements on Earth
- Atoms are the smallest particle of an element that has the properties of that element
  - Thought-experiment of dividing a sample in half ad-infinitum
  - Ancient atomic theories and modern Dalton atomic theory (discussed in detail later)
  - Atoms are *very* small; smaller than we could even detect until recently
- Molecules are collections of atoms held together with chemical bonds (more nuanced definition later)
  - Many elements occur naturally as molecules, rather than atoms
  - Figure 1.14 shows many molecular elements and compounds

### 1.3 Physical and Chemical Properties

- Physical Properties: Properties which can be observed without changing the chemical identity of the substance
- Chemical Properties: Properties which can only be observed through chemical reactions (e.g. flammability, acidity, electrochemical potential, etc.)
- Physical Changes: Any change which preserves the *chemical identity* of the substance (including phase changes)
- Chemical Changes: Changes which alter the chemical identities of one or more substance
- Extensive Properties: Depend on the size of the system (double the size, double the property measurement, such as mass or volume)
- Intensive Properties: Independent of system size (density, temperature, most chemical properties)
- The periodic table groups elements according to their properties (Figure 1.22)
  - Metals conduct electricity and heat, are malleable and ductile
  - Non-metals are very diverse, but generally poor conductors
  - Metalloids exist at the boundary and share properties with both metals and non-metals
  - There are many other ways to group the elements, which we will learn later

## 1.4 Measurements

- All measurements are composed of three parts:
  - The magnitude of the measurement (the number itself)
  - The unit of measurement used (g, kg, lbs, etc.)
  - The degree of uncertainty in the measurement (this is usually implicit, and covered in the next section)
- Units are an essential part of any measurement. Develop a habit of *always* including units in your work

- $u_{rms} = \sqrt{\frac{3RT}{M}}$  – example of how units can guide problem solving and “unit purgatory”
- SI units are a collection of fundamental units from which all other units can be derived (Table 1.2)
- Metric prefixes make it more convenient to discuss very large or very small numbers (Table 1.3)
- Scientific notation is an even more general and robust way of representing numbers
  - \* The quantity is represented by a number with the decimal after the first digit
  - \* The magnitude is represented by a power of 10
- Practice converting between normal numbers, metric prefixes, and scientific notation
- For temperature, we use both  $K$  and  $^{\circ}C$  (But not  $^{\circ}F$ )  
 $T(K) = T(^{\circ}C) + 273.15$
- Derived units will combine the fundamental units in some way  
 volume:  $m^3, L, ml$   
 velocity:  $m/s$   
 density:  $kg/m^3, g/cm^3$  (Table 1.4)  
 energy:  $1J \equiv kgm^2/s^2$

## 1.5 Measurement Uncertainty, Accuracy, and Precision

- Countable quantities are considered to be *exact* (no uncertainty)
- Measurements (and groups of measurements) always have some degree of uncertainty
  - Accuracy is how close a measurement is to the *true value* (usually unknown, but approximated by calibration with a well-known standard)
  - Precision is how finely a measurement is made (What is the margin of error)
  - Figure 1.27 and Table 1.5 illustrate the differences between precision and accuracy
  - Accuracy is usually improved through calibration, and moving forward we will usually assume that measurements are as accurate as an instrument allows
  - Precision is represented in the way we write the number, and can be improved with a better instrument or with repeat measurements

- Significant figures are the way that we represent precision in a number
  - The number of digits conveys the degree of precision
  - Example of me saying I'm *6 ft 2 in* tall, vs me saying I'm *6 ft 1.6241434 in* tall
  - For graduated measurements, we record one digit beyond the lowest graduation (Figure 1.26)
  - For digital measurements, we record the number as it is given by the instrument
  - For any given number, we should track both the *quantity* of significant figures, and the *position* of the least-significant digit
  - In a written number, digits are considered significant according to the following rules:
    - \* All non-zeros are significant
    - \* All *captive* zeros (between two other significant digits) are significant
    - \* Trailing zeros are *always* significant
    - \* Leading zeros are *never* significant
    - \* For scientific notation, only the digits of the quantity (not the magnitude) count
    - \* Logarithmic quantities follow different rules which we will revisit in CHEM 122O (chapter 14)
    - \* Note that for some numbers scientific notation is *required* to convey the correct precision ( $3.0 \times 10^3 m$ )
- Errors propagate when multiple measurements are used in a mathematical operation
  - For addition and subtraction, the least significant digit of the answer will be in the same position as the least significant digit of the least precise input
  - For multiplication and division, the quantity of significant digits in the answer will match the quantity of significant digits of the input with fewest significant digits
  - When rounding an exact 5 (no further digits beyond the 5), round up or down to make the last digit even
  - Compound problems involve multiple types of operations
    - \* Solve the problem in steps, applying the correct rule to each step
    - \* Track the significant figures (quantity and position) for each intermediate answer, but do *not* truncate or round any of these answers
    - \* Only round after the last step
      - Practice  $\frac{12.3g+34g}{12.0cm^3+7.7cm^3} = 2.4g/cm^3$  (wrong answer with premature rounding)

## 1.6 Mathematical Treatment of Measurement Results

CHAPTER 2

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ATOMS, MOLECULES, AND IONS

- 2.1 Early Ideas in Atomic Theory
- 2.2 Evolution of Atomic Theory
- 2.3 Atomic Structure and Symbolism
- 2.4 Chemical Formulas
- 2.5 The Periodic Table
- 2.6 Ionic and Molecular Compounds
- 2.7 Chemical Nomenclature

CHAPTER 3

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COMPOSITION OF SUBSTANCES AND SOLUTIONS

- 3.1 Formula Mass and the Mole Concept**
- 3.2 Determining Empirical and Molecular Formulas**
- 3.3 Molarity**
- 3.4 Other Units for Solution Concentration**



CHAPTER 4

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STOICHIOMETRY OF CHEMICAL REACTIONS

- 4.1 Writing and Balancing Chemical Equations
- 4.2 Classifying Chemical Reactions
- 4.3 Reaction Stoichiometry
- 4.4 Reaction Yields
- 4.5 Quantitative Chemical Analysis

CHAPTER 5

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THERMOCHEMISTRY

5.1 Energy Basics

5.2 Calorimetry

5.3 Enthalpy

CHAPTER 6

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ELECTRONIC STRUCTURE AND PERIODIC PROPERTIES OF ELEMENTS

- 6.1 Electromagnetic Energy
- 6.2 The Bohr Model
- 6.3 Development of Quantum Theory
- 6.4 Electronic Structure of Atoms (Electron Configurations)
- 6.5 Periodic Variations in Element Properties

CHAPTER 7

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CHEMICAL BONDING AND MOLECULAR GEOMETRY

- 7.1 Ionic Bonding**
- 7.2 Covalent Bonding**
- 7.3 Lewis Symbols and Structures**
- 7.4 Formal Charges and Resonance**
- 7.5 Strengths of Ionic and Covalent Bonds**
- 7.6 Molecular Structure and Polarity**

CHAPTER 8

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ADVANCED THEORIES OF COVALENT BONDING

**8.1 Valence Bond Theory**

**8.2 Hybrid Atomic Orbitals**

**8.3 Multiple Bonds**

**8.4 Molecular Orbital Theory**

CHAPTER 9

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GASES

- 9.1 Gas Pressure**
- 9.2 Relating Pressure, Volume, Amount, and Temperature: The Ideal Gas Law**
- 9.3 Stoichiometry of Gaseous Substances, Mixtures, and Reactions**
- 9.4 Effusion and Diffusion of Gases**
- 9.5 The Kinetic-Molecular Theory**
- 9.6 Non-Ideal Gas Behavior**

CHAPTER 10

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LIQUIDS AND SOLIDS

**10.1 Intermolecular Forces**

## ERRATA