

BCE++ Basis Grammer Rules

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I. Elements

1.1 Element Symbol

All the characters of element symbols should be half-characters, capitalize the first letter, and other letters are lowercase.

Example:

Na	ATTENTION: 1. Capitalize the first letter, and other letters are lowercase. 2. Half-width characters.
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Correct:

H	He	Li	Be	O	F	Ne
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Wrong:

h	HE	li	bE	o	f	NE
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1.2 Expressions of the number of atoms (Atom Descriptor)

After the element symbol, you can attach a positive integer as the number of selected atom of a element in a molecule, any negative numbers, decimals, fractions, or zero are not accepted. If you don't specify the number, it will be set to the default value 1.

Example:

C₆₀	ATTENTION: 1. Positive number suffix 2. The default suffix number is 1 if you don't specify.
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Correct:

C60	Na2	H1	O3	P
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Wrong:

C0	Na0.9	H1/2	F2.0	P-2
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II. Molecule

2.1 Basic Molecular Formula

Several atomic descriptors together constitute a basic formula.

Example:

Na₂CO₃	ATTENTION: 1. Connected directly, no space, tab inside.
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Correct:

KCl	CO ₂	C ₂ H ₄	H ₂ O	HCN
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Wrong:

K Cl

2.2 Molecular Formula with Parentheses

Typically, you can use parentheses on the radical or group. You can also append a positive integer as coefficient(suffix). It describes the number of repetitions of the content in the parentheses. A molecular formula with parentheses includes following four parts: Sub-expression on the left, expression in the parentheses, parentheses suffix and sub-expression on the right. As shown:



In these four parts, the sub-expression on the left and right, the expression in the parentheses should also compliant the rules in this document. So, nested parentheses is allowed. Another parentheses (such as '{ }' and '[]') are also allowed.

Example:

$(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{CHO}$	ATTENTION: 1. The content in the parentheses should compliant the rules in the document.
$(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{CHOOPF}(\text{CH}_3)$	ATTENTION: 2. Multiple brackets may appear in the same expression
$[\text{AB}(\text{CD})_3]_2\text{E}$	ATTENTION: 3. Matching parentheses.

Correct:

Ca(CN) ₂	Al ₂ (SO ₄) ₃	K ₃ Fe(CN) ₆	(NH ₄) ₃ (P(Mo ₁₂ O ₄₀))	(NH ₄) ₂ MoO ₄
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Wrong:

CaCN) ₂	Al ₂)SO ₄ (₃	K ₃ FeCN) ₆	(NH ₄) ₃ P(Mo ₁₂ O ₄₀))	(NH ₄) ₀ MoO ₄
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2.3 Electric Charges and Ion

Positive charge (ne^+) can be written like:

(ne+)

Also, negative charge (ne^-) can also be written like:

(ne-)

When $n=1$, it can be ignored. If there is no grammatical ambiguity in the expression, the parentheses can be ignored. We don't suggest to do that.

Example:

$\text{Cu}(2e^+)$

$\text{Cu}(e^+)_2$

ATTENTION:

1. The atomic descriptor with a electric descriptor can describe a ion.

ATTENTION:

2. All parentheses should comply the rules in P2.2, so the 'Cu(e+)₂' here equals to 'Cu(2e+)'.
The correct way to write the chemical formula is Cu(2e+).

Correct:

$\text{NH}_4(e^+)$

$(e^-)\text{Cl}$

$\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6(3e^-)$

Wrong:

(e^{-2})

$e^+\text{Na}$

$\text{Cl}e^-$

III Chemical Equation

Chemical equations consist of molecular formula, connectors (+, -, =). The basic chemical equation rules are as follows:

[Reactants 1] [+/-] [Reactants 2] ... [Reactants N] = [Product 1] [+/-] [Product 2] ... [Product N]

Example:

$\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 + \text{HCl} = \text{NaCl} + \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{CO}_2$

Correct:

$\text{NH}_3 + \text{CH}_4 + \text{O}_2 = \text{HCN} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$

$\text{Cl}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 = \text{HCl} + \text{O}_2$

$\text{Cu}(\text{NO}_3)_2 + \text{NO} = \text{Cu}(\text{NO}_3)_2 + \text{NO} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	$\text{XeF}_2 + \text{OH}(\text{e}^-) = \text{Xe} + \text{O}_2 + \text{F}(\text{e}^-) + \text{H}_2\text{O}$
$\text{NH}_4\text{CNO} = \text{CO}(\text{NH}_2)_2$	$\text{XeO}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{Fe}(2\text{e}^+) = \text{Xe} + \text{Fe}(3\text{e}^+) + \text{OH}(\text{e}^-)$
$\text{Cu}(2\text{e}^+) + (\text{e}^-) = \text{Cu}$	$\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O}$
$\text{Cl}(\text{e}^-) - (\text{e}^-) = \text{Cl}_2$	$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{S}_3 + \text{HCl} = \text{NH}_4\text{Cl} + \text{H}_2\text{S} + \text{S}$

Wrong:

$\text{Cu-e-}=\text{Cu}(2\text{e}^+)$
$\text{A}=\text{B}$