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Introduction to Chemistry

Chemistry is the study of:

- 1. Composition
- 2. Changes

of Matter

Alchemy is:

- 1. The study to turn other substances into gold
- 2. Protoscience that contributed to the development of chemistry

Matter is anything that has mass and occupies space

Branches of Chemistry

Example	Branch	Definition
Pharmaceuticals	Organic Chemistry	Study of all chemicals with carbon
		compounds formed with carbon chains that link
Minerals, Semiconductors	Inorganic Chemistry	Study of all chemicals without carbon
Metabolism, Fermentation	Biochemistry	Processes that happen in living organisms
Food nutrients, quality control	Analytical Chemistry	Study of matter composition
		Commonly with precise percentages
Reaction rates, reaction mechanisms	Physical Chemistry	Mechanism, rate and energy transfer during change, whether or not reactions can happen

The Scientific Method is a logical and systematic approach to solve a problem.

The 4 steps are:

- 1. **Observation** state problem
- 2. **Hypothesis and research** propose explanation
- 3. **Design and experiment** test hypothesis
- 4. Provide conclusion judgement based on data obtained

Planning, operation and analysis will continue and repeat until the results are given and proven

Variables are quantities that are **not fixed and tested**:

- **Independent**: changed factors
- **Dependent**: response to the independent
- Controlled: constants, not changed

The Control Group is **not affected** by independent variable

Qualitative Data does not rely on numbers while Quantitative Data relies on numbers and units

Theories (why it happens) are well tested explanations, sets of conclusions and hypotheses that are valid and proven. They:

- 1. Are imperfect and open to revision
- 2. Can **predict results** of further experiments

Scientific Laws (what happens) are concise statements that summarises the results of the observations in experiments and are correct

Models are visual, verbal and or mathematical explanations of experimental data

Matter and Change

Property is the recognizable characteristic of matter that enables us to figure its type:

- Physical Properties are conditions or qualities that can be observed or measured without changing substance composition (state, colour, conductivity)
- Chemical Properties are the ability for a substance to undergo specific chemical change, only observable under chemical change (tendency for rust, toxicity, stability)

States of Matter

State	Characteristic	Attraction Force	Motion of Particle
Solid	Incompressible, definite shape and volume, high density	Very strong	Vibration in fixed position
Liquid	Slightly compressible, no definite shape but definite volume, high density	strong	Free movement but not far movement
Gas	Highly compressible, no definite shape or volume, low density	Very weak	Free and far movement

Vapor describes the gaseous state of a substance generally in liquid or solid state at room temperature

Physical changes do not change composition of material despite changes in properties

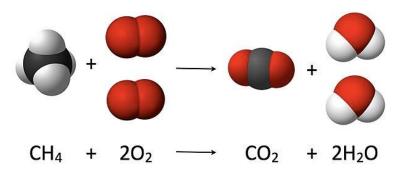
Chemical changes produce matter with different compositions compared to original matter:

- Reactants are substances present at the start of reaction
- **Products** are the substances **produced** in the reaction

Transfer of energy, change in colour or the formation of a precipitate (solid that forms and settles out of a liquid mixture) are all cues to chemical change

The Law of Conservation of Mass:

- Matter can neither be created nor it can be destroyed in a given chemical reaction
- Total mass of reactants = total mass of products



Mixtures are **physical blends** between 2 or more components

- Proportions can be changed without changing mixture identity
- Heterogeneous mixtures have no uniform composition throughout (2 or more phases)
- Homogeneous mixtures have uniform composition throughout also called solutions (single phase)
- Phase describes part of a sample with uniform composition and properties

Separating Mixtures

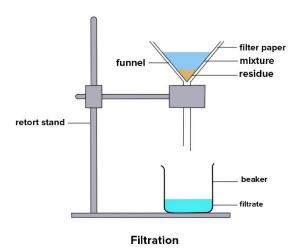
To Separate Heterogeneous Mixtures:

Separating by using differences in physical properties:

- 1. Decant or pour off the other layer
- 2. Cool mixture down until a specific substance in the mixture turns solid

Filtration:

- Process of separating solid from liquid in heterogeneous mixture
- Requires **filter funnel** and **filter paper**
- Relies on size of particle, or molecule of substance

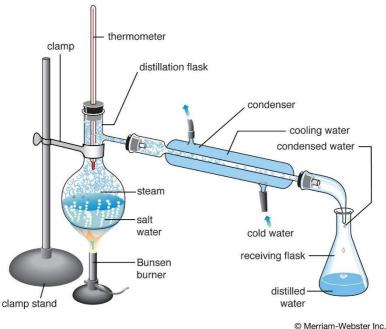


To Separate Homogeneous Mixtures:

Distillation:

- Technique based on different abilities of substances to form gases
- Use distillation flask to contain
- Use condenser to cool down gas into liquid

Use **thermometer** to measure temperature



- Use **burner** to burn
- Relies on the boiling point of substance the higher the difference in the boiling point of the substances, the better distillation works out

To Separate Solid Mixtures of Different Solubilities:

Step 1: Dissolution

Dissolve one solid to make it a liquid mixture while the other solid stays solid

Step 2: Filtration

Filer the solid substance from the liquid mixture

Step 3: Crystallisation

Technique used to separate a solid dissolved in liquid

Using Magnetic Properties:

- Take advantage of magnetic properties of substances to separate a
- Ex: separate iron nails from aluminium with a magnet

A Substance is matter that has uniform and definite composition. Within a

substance, there are:

- Elements: simplest form of matter with unique set of properties and is made of atoms of one kind – some have atoms as smallest particle (ex: Au), some have molecules as smallest particles (ex: Cl₂)

Note that some molecules have more than 2 atoms (O₃, S₈, C₆₀)

 Compounds: substance with 2 or more elements chemically combined in fixed proportion (cannot be broken down with physical ways)

To distinguish Substances from Mixtures:

Consider if the material has more than one version: if the material has more than one version, it is a mixture. Substances have fixed compositions only.

Chemical Symbols are one or two letter symbols that **represent each element** (first letter capitalised)

Chemical Formulas represent compounds with symbols, but also:

- Tells which elements make up the compound
- Tells how many atoms of each element are present in the compound

Subscript number tells how many atoms of that element exist in one unit (no subscript = 1 atom present)

Periodic Table: arrangement of elements in which elements are separated into groups based on a set of repeating properties:

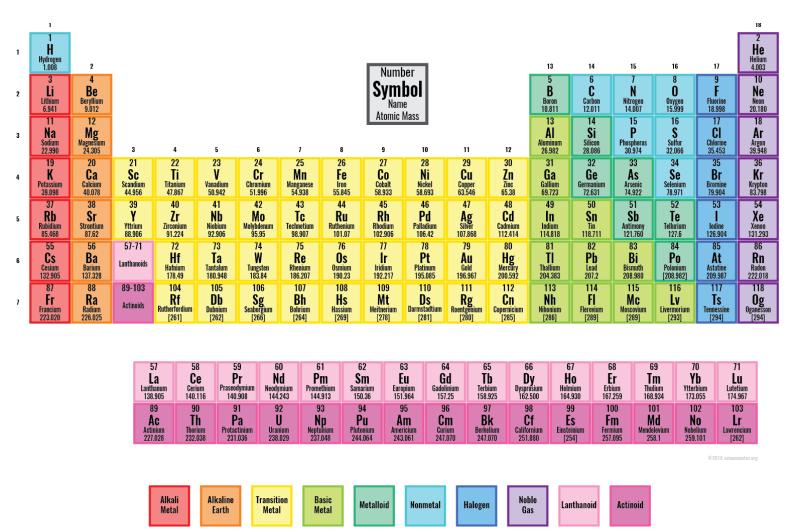
- Elements in order from left to right and top to bottom by atomic number
- Period: horizontal row (7 total), in which element properties change gradually and predictably
- Group/Family: vertical column (18 total) where elements have similar properties

Classifications of the elements include:

- Metals: lustrous, malleable conductors that are solid at room temperature (most elements)

- Metalloids: possess physical and chemical properties of both metals and nonmetals
- Nonmetals: upper right side of periodic table, generally brittle, dull, poor conductors that are either solids or gases (graphite is exception to being poor conductor, Br2 is the only liquid nonmetal at room temperature)

The Periodic Table:



Credits: Helmenstine, T. (2021, May 2). *Colored periodic table - printable periodic table*. Science Notes and Projects. https://sciencenotes.org/colored-periodic-table/

Information to Know:

- First 20 elements of the Periodic Table
- ➤ Chemical Formulas of Baking Soda (NaHCO₃), Sucrose (C₁₂H₂₂O₁₁), Sulfuric Acid (H₂SO₄), Hydrogen Peroxide (H₂O₂) and Sulphur Dioxide (SO₂)