

# Important Formulas of Physical Chemistry

## THE SOLID STATE

### 1. Calculation of number of particles / atoms / ions in a Unit Cell :

2.	Type of Unit Cell	Numer of particles per Unit Cell	Relationship between edge length (a) and radius (r) of atom/ion
	Simple cubic	1	$a = 2r$
	Body centred cubic	2	$a = \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} r$
	Face centred cubic	4	$a = 2\sqrt{2} r$

### 3. Density of unit cell (d)

$$d = \frac{Z \times M}{a^3 \times N_A}$$

Where **Z** is rank of unit cell (no. of atoms per unit cell), **m** is molar mass/atomic mass, '**a**' is edge length of the cube, '**a<sup>3</sup>**' is volume of cubic unit cell and **N<sub>A</sub>** is Avogadro number.

$$4. \text{ Packing efficiency} = \frac{d \times N_A}{M} \times \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3 \times 100$$

Here '**M**' is molar mass '**r**' is radius of atom, '**d**' is density and **N<sub>A</sub>** is Avogadro's number ( $6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ ).

Rank of unit cell can be computed by packing efficiency value

Type of Unit Cell	Packing efficiency	Rank of Unit Cell
SC	52.4%	1
BCC	68.0%	2
FCC	74%	4

## Solution

### 1. Mole fraction (x)

if the number of moles of A and B are  $n_A$  and  $n_B$  respectively, the mole fraction of A and B will be

$$x_A = \frac{n_A}{n_A + n_B}, \text{ and } x_B = \frac{n_B}{n_A + n_B}$$

$$x_A + x_B = 1$$

2. **Molarity (M)** =  $\frac{\text{Moles of solute}}{\text{Volume of solution in litres}}$

3. **Moality (m)** =  $\frac{\text{Moles of solute}}{\text{Mass of solvent in kilograms}}$

### 4. Parts per million (ppm)

$$= \frac{\text{Number of parts of the component}}{\text{Total number of parts of all components of the solution}} \times 10^6$$

### 5. Raoult's law for a solution of volatile solute in volatile solvent :

$$p_A = p_A^\circ x_A$$

$$p_B = p_B^\circ x_B$$

Where  $p_A$  and  $p_B$  are partial vapour pressures of component 'A' and component 'B' in solution.  $p_A^\circ$  and  $p_B^\circ$  are vapour pressures of pure components 'A' and 'B' respectively.

### 6. Raoult's law for a solution of non-volatile solute and volatile solvent :

$$\frac{p_A^\circ - p_A}{p_A^\circ} = ix_B \approx i \frac{n_B}{N_A} = i \frac{W_B \times M_A}{M_B \times W_A} \quad (\text{for dilute solution})$$

Where  $x_B$  is mole fraction of solute,  $i$  is van't Hoff factor and  $\frac{p_A^\circ - p_A}{p_A^\circ}$  is relative lowering of vapour pressure.

7. **Elevation in boiling point ( $\Delta T_b$ )**

$$\Delta T_b = i.K_b m$$

where  $\Delta T_b = T_b - T_b^\circ$

$K_b$  = molal boiling point elevation constant

$m$  = molality of solution.

8. **Depression in freezing point ( $\Delta T_f$ )**

$$\Delta T_f = i.K_f m$$

where  $\Delta T_f = T_f^\circ - T_f$

$K_f$  = molal depression constant

$m$  = molality of solution.

9. **Osmotic pressure ( $\pi$ ) of a solution**

$$\pi V = inRT \quad \text{or} \quad \pi = i CRT$$

where  $\pi$  = osmotic pressure in bar or atm

$V$  = volume in litres

$i$  = Van't Hoff factor

$c$  = molar concentration in moles per litres

$n$  = number of moles

$T$  = Temperature on Kelvin Scale

$R = 0.083 \text{ L bar mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$

$R = 0.0821 \text{ L atm mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$

10. **Van't Hoff factor ( $i$ )**

$$i = \frac{\text{Observed colligative property}}{\text{Theoretically calculated colligative property}}$$

$$i = \frac{\text{Normal molar mass}}{\text{Abnormal molar mass}}$$

$$\begin{cases} i > 1 & \text{For dissociation of molecules} \\ i < 1 & \text{For association of molecules} \\ i = 1 & \text{For ideal solution} \end{cases}$$

11. **Relationship between relative lowering in vapour pressure and elevation in b.p.**

$$\frac{\Delta p}{p_A^\circ} = i \frac{\Delta T_b}{K_b} M_A \times 1000$$

Here

$\Delta p$  is lowering in vapour pressure,  $p_A^\circ$  is vapour pressure of pure solvent,  $i$  is van't Hoff factor,  $\Delta T_b$  is elevation in boiling point,  $K_b$  is molal elevation constant and  $M_A$  is molar mass of solvent

## Electrochemistry

1. **Conductivity (k)**

$$K = \frac{1}{P} = \frac{1}{R} \times \frac{l}{A} = G \times G^*$$

Where  $R$  is resistance,  $l/A$  = cell constant ( $G^*$ ) and  $\frac{1}{P}$  is resistivity.

2. Relationship between  $k$  and  $\Lambda_m$

$$\Lambda_m = \frac{1000 \times k}{C}$$

Where  $\Lambda_m$  is molar conductance,  $k$  is conductivity and  $C$  is molar concentration.

### Kohlrausch's law

- (a) In general if an electrolyte on dissociation gives  $v_+$  cations and  $v_-$  anions then, its limiting molar conductivity is given by

$$\Lambda_m^\circ = v_+ \lambda_+^\circ + v_- \lambda_-^\circ$$

Here  $\lambda_+^\circ$  and  $\lambda_-^\circ$  are the limiting molar conductivities of cation and anion respectively and  $v_+$  and  $v_-$  are the number of cations and anions furnished by one formula unit.

(b) **Degree of dissociation ( $\alpha$ )** is given by :

$$\alpha = \frac{\Lambda_m^c}{\Lambda_m^\circ}$$

Here  $\Lambda_m^\circ$  is molar conductivity at the concentration C and  $\Lambda_m^\circ$  is limiting molar conductivity of the electrolyte.

(c) **Dissociation constant ( $K_c$ )** of weak electrolyte

$$K = \frac{C\alpha^2}{1-\alpha} = \frac{C \left( \frac{\Lambda_m^c}{\Lambda_m^\circ} \right)^2}{\left( 1 - \frac{\Lambda_m^c}{\Lambda_m^\circ} \right)}$$

3. **Nernst Equation for electrode reaction** :  $M^{n+} + ne^- \rightarrow M$ .

$$E = E^\theta - \frac{2.303 RT}{nF} \log \frac{1}{[M^{n+}]}$$

For Cell potential of electrochemical reaction  $aA : bB \xrightarrow{ne^-} cC + dD$

$$E_{\text{cell}} = E_{\text{cell}}^\theta - \frac{2.303 RT}{nF} \log [Q_c]$$

4. **Relationship between  $E^\theta$  cell and equilibrium constant ( $K_c$ )**

$$E_{\text{cell}}^\theta = \frac{2.303 RT}{nF} \log K_c$$

$$E_{\text{cell}}^\theta = \frac{0.059V}{n} \log K_c$$

5.  $\Delta G^\theta = - nF E_{\text{cell}}^\theta$

Where  $\Delta G^\theta$  = standard Gibbs energy change and  $nF$  is the amount of charge passed.

$$\Delta G^\theta = - 2.303 RT \log K_c$$

## Chemical Kinetics

### 1. Integrated rate law equation for zero order reaction

$$(a) \quad k = \frac{[R]_0 - [R]}{t}$$

Where  $k$  is rate constant and  $[R]_0$  is initial molar concentration.

$$(b) \quad t_{1/2} = \frac{[R]_0}{2k}$$

$t_{1/2}$  is half life period of zero order reaction.

### 2. Integrated rate law equation for first order reaction

$$(a) \quad k = \frac{2.303}{t} \log \frac{[R]_0}{[R]}$$

Where  $k$  is rate constant,  $[R]_0$  is initial molar concentration and  $[R]$  is final concentration at time 't'.

(b) Half life period ( $t_{1/2}$ ) for first order reaction :

$$t_{1/2} = \frac{0.693}{k}$$

### 3. Arrhenius equation

$$(a) \quad k = A e^{-E_a/RT}$$

Where 'A' is frequency factor,  $E_a$  is the energy of activation,  $R$  is universal gas constant and  $T$  is absolute temperature.

$e^{-E_a/RT}$  gives the fraction of collisions having energy equal to or greater than  $E_a$ .

$$(b) \quad \log \frac{k_2}{k_1} = \frac{E_a}{2.303 R} \left( \frac{T_2 - T_1}{T_1 T_2} \right)$$

Where  $k_1$  is rate constant at temperature  $T_1$  and  $k_2$  is rate constant at temperature  $T_2$ .