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Optional task: Research the work of Mendeleev and others in developing the modern Periodic Table.

Total number of marks: 250

SECTION ONE - TOPIC 1

1 Worksheet 1

Sub-atomic particles and the Periodic Table

The structure of the atom can be described in terms of certain key terms.

Use the terms in the middle column of the table below to write three short paragraphs on the structure of the atom and its importance.

Paragraph	Terms to use	Marks awarded
1 The three particles and their properties.	electron neutron proton relative charge relative atomic mass sub-atomic particles no charge	[6]
2 The arrangement of the particles in the atom.	electrons energy levels protons neutrons nucleons nucleus	[3]
3 How the numbers of the different sub-atomic particles determine the properties of the atom and the position of the element in the Periodic Table.	atomic number electrons energy levels group number mass number period number protons neutrons	[6]

Total Score: %
15

SECTION ONE - TOPIC 2

1 Worksheet 2

Isotopes and relative atomic masses

- 1 The table below shows the isotopes of two elements, magnesium and neon. Copy and complete the table.

Element	Isotopes		
Magnesium	$^{24}_{12}\text{Mg}$	$^{25}_{12}\text{Mg}$	$^{26}_{12}\text{Mg}$
Number of protons			
Number of electrons			
Number of neutrons			
Neon	$^{20}_{10}\text{Ne}$	$^{21}_{10}\text{Ne}$	$^{22}_{10}\text{Ne}$
Number of protons			
Number of electrons			
Number of neutrons			

[6]

- 2 The relative atomic mass of an element is the weighted average atomic mass of the element relative to $\frac{1}{12}$ the mass of an atom of the ^{12}C isotope.
- What does *weighted* mean in the definition? [2]
 - Why use $\frac{1}{12}$ the mass of an atom of the ^{12}C isotope? [2]
- 3 The relative atomic mass of chlorine is 35.5. What does this tell you about the relative abundance of the two naturally occurring isotopes of chlorine, $^{35}_{17}\text{Cl}$ and $^{37}_{17}\text{Cl}$? Explain your answer. [2]
- 4 The naturally occurring isotopes of magnesium and neon are shown in the table below along with their relative abundance. Calculate the relative atomic mass for each element.

Element	Magnesium		
Atomic mass of isotope	24	25	26
Relative abundance %	78.60	10.11	11.29
	Neon		
Atomic mass of isotope	20	21	22
Relative abundance %	90.92	0.26	8.82

[6]

Total Score: %
18

SECTION ONE - TOPIC 3

2 Worksheet 1

Formulae and equations

1 The formulae of some positive and negative ions are shown in the tables below.

Name	Symbol	Charge
lithium	Li^+	1+
sodium	Na^+	1+
potassium	K^+	1+
magnesium	Mg^{2+}	2+
calcium	Ca^{2+}	2+
barium	Ba^{2+}	2+
aluminium	Al^{3+}	3+
hydrogen	H^+	1+
ammonium	NH_4^+	1+
potassium	K^+	1+
zinc	Zn^{2+}	2+
iron(II)	Fe^{2+}	2+
iron(III)	Fe^{3+}	3+

Name	Symbol	Charge
fluoride	F^-	1-
chloride	Cl^-	1-
bromide	Br^-	1-
iodide	I^-	1-
oxide	O^{2-}	2-
sulfide	S^{2-}	2-
hydroxide	OH^-	1-
silicate	SiO_3^{2-}	2-
carbonate	CO_3^{2-}	2-
hydrogencarbonate	HCO_3^-	1-
sulfate(VI)	SO_4^{2-}	2-
nitrate(V)	NO_3^-	1-
phosphate(V)	PO_4^{3-}	3-

What is the formula of each of the following compounds?

- a sodium chloride
- b lithium oxide
- c zinc nitrate(V)
- d ammonium carbonate
- e potassium silicate
- f potassium oxide
- g aluminium oxide
- h sodium phosphate(V)
- i copper(II) fluoride
- j copper(II) hydroxide
- k iron(III) sulfate(VI)
- l sodium bromide
- m calcium carbonate
- n ammonium phosphate
- o calcium hydrogencarbonate

- 2 Write balanced symbol equations for the following syntheses. The formulae of the covalent products (e.g. silicon dioxide) are given but you should be able to work out the formulae of the ionic products (e.g. sodium oxide).
- a sodium + oxygen \rightarrow sodium oxide [2]
 - b aluminium + oxygen \rightarrow aluminium oxide [2]
 - c silicon + oxygen \rightarrow silicon dioxide (SiO_2) [2]
 - d magnesium + chlorine \rightarrow magnesium chloride [2]
 - e aluminium + chlorine \rightarrow aluminium chloride (Al_2Cl_6) [2]
 - f silicon + chlorine \rightarrow silicon tetrachloride (SiCl_4) [2]
 - g phosphorus (P_4) + chlorine \rightarrow phosphorus pentachloride (PCl_5) [2]
 - h iron(II) bromide + sodium hydroxide \rightarrow iron(II) hydroxide + sodium bromide [3]
 - i iron(III) sulfate(VI) + potassium hydroxide \rightarrow iron(III) hydroxide + potassium sulfate(VI) [3]
- 3 Write an equation for each of the following decomposition reactions.
- a calcium nitrate(V) decomposing to give calcium oxide, nitrogen dioxide and oxygen
 - b lithium nitrate(V) decomposing to give lithium oxide, nitrogen dioxide and oxygen
 - c magnesium carbonate decomposing to give magnesium oxide and carbon dioxide
 - d magnesium hydroxide decomposing to give magnesium oxide and water
 - e calcium hydrogencarbonate decomposing to give calcium carbonate, water and carbon dioxide [10]

Total Score: %
 45

SECTION ONE - TOPIC 4

2. Worksheet 2

Moles

- 1 What is the mass in grams of one mole of the following?
- a zinc atoms
 - b lead atoms
 - c hydrogen atoms
 - d hydrogen molecules
 - e sulfur atoms
 - f sulfur molecules (S_8)
 - g copper(II) nitrate(V) formula units
 - h water molecules
 - i sodium chloride formula units
- [9]
- 2 a How many moles of atoms are there in the following?
Give your answers to 3 significant figures.
- i 4.6 g of zinc
 - ii 79 g of oxygen
 - iii 0.156 g of calcium
 - iv 109.6 g of sodium
 - v 0.31 g of lead
 - vi 5.3 g of hydrogen
- b Which of these samples contains the greatest number of atoms?
- c Which of these samples contains the smallest number of atoms?
- [8]
- 3 How many moles of molecules are there in the following?
Give your answers to 3 significant figures.
- a 9.0 g of water
 - b 0.088 g of carbon dioxide
 - c 56.3 g of carbon monoxide
 - d 0.0465 g of ammonia
- [4]
- 4 How many moles of formula units are there in the following?
Give your answers to 3 significant figures.
- a 1.00 g of calcium carbonate
 - b 26.0 g of copper(II) nitrate(V)
 - c 74.63 g of zinc chloride
 - d 0.163 g of aluminium oxide
- [4]

Total
25

Score: %

SECTION ONE - TOPIC 5

2 Worksheet 3

Numbers of particles

Avogadro's number $N_A = 6.02 \times 10^{23}$.

Atomic masses: C = 12.0; H = 1.00; N = 14.0; O = 16.0.

- 1 a How many moles of atoms are there in 1.00 mol of the following molecules?
- i HNO_3
 - ii C_3H_8
 - iii HClO_4
 - iv C_8H_{18}
- b How many moles of Ca^{2+} ions are there in 10.0 mol of CaCl_2 ? [4]
- c How many moles of Cl^- ions are there in 3.00 mol of CaCl_2 ? [1]
- d How many moles of OH^- ions are there in 0.0500 mol of $\text{Al}(\text{OH})_3$? [1]
- 2 a How many grams of carbon are there in 0.500 mol of C_3H_8 ? [2]
- b How many grams of carbon are there in 0.100 mol of C_8H_{18} ? [2]
- c How many grams of nitrogen are there in 2.00 mol of HNO_3 ? [2]
- d How many grams of oxygen are there in 2.00 mol of HNO_3 ? [2]
- 3 a How many *molecules* are there in each of the following?
- i 0.100 mol of C_3H_8 [1]
 - ii 5.00 mol of HNO_3 [1]
 - iii 0.0100 mol of C_8H_{18} [1]
- b How many *atoms* are there in each of the following?
- i 0.100 mol of C_3H_8 [1]
 - ii 5.00 mol of HNO_3 [1]
 - iii 0.0100 mol of C_8H_{18} [1]
- c How many *ions* are there in each of the following?
- i 10.0 mol of CaCl_2 [2]
 - ii 0.0500 mol of $\text{Al}(\text{OH})_3$ [2]

Total
25

Score: %

SECTION ONE - TOPIC 6

2 Worksheet 4

Empirical formulae

- 1 The following sets of data give the percentage composition by mass of three different oxides of sodium. Calculate the empirical formula of each oxide of sodium.
- a 74.2% sodium, 25.8% oxygen
 - b 41.8% sodium, 58.2% oxygen
 - c 59.0% sodium, 41.0% oxygen
- [6]
- 2 The following sets of data give the percentage composition by mass of four different oxides of nitrogen. Calculate the empirical formula of each oxide of nitrogen.
- a 36.8% nitrogen, 63.2% oxygen
 - b 46.7% nitrogen, 53.3% oxygen
 - c 25.9% nitrogen, 74.1% oxygen
 - d 63.6% nitrogen, 36.4% oxygen
- [8]

Calculating empirical formulae from composition data given in grams

Another way for the analytical data to be expressed is in grams. The technique used to calculate the empirical formula is identical.

Worked example

3.30 g of a compound consisting of carbon, hydrogen and oxygen only were analysed and found to contain 1.29 g of carbon and 0.29 g of hydrogen. Calculate its empirical formula.

- i Find out how much oxygen the sample contained:

$$3.30 - 1.29 - 0.29 = 1.72 \text{ g of oxygen}$$

- ii Convert each mass into the number of moles of atoms, using $N = \frac{m}{M_r}$

- for carbon: $\frac{1.29}{12.0} = 0.11 \text{ mol}$
- for hydrogen: $\frac{0.29}{1.0} = 0.29 \text{ mol}$
- for oxygen: $\frac{1.72}{16.0} = 0.11 \text{ mol}$

- iii Divide by the smallest number:

- for carbon: $\frac{0.11}{0.11} = 1$
- for hydrogen: $\frac{0.29}{0.11} = 2.64$
- for oxygen: $\frac{0.11}{0.11} = 1$

- iv Find the simplest whole-number ratio. This is 3 : 8 : 3, so the empirical formula is $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8\text{O}_3$.

- 3 Use the following sets of data to calculate the empirical formulae of the compounds involved.
- a Octane is a hydrocarbon. 5.00 g of octane contains 4.21 g of carbon.
 - b 6.45 g of aluminium sulfide contains 2.32 g of aluminium.
 - c Orthoclase, a mineral in feldspar, is a compound of potassium, aluminium, silicon and oxygen. 20.00 g of orthoclase contains 2.81 g of potassium, 1.94 g of aluminium and 6.04 g of silicon. [6]
- 4 Phosphorus and sulfur form several different compounds. The following sets of data give the mass of phosphorus contained in 1.000 g of each of these three compounds. Calculate the empirical formula of each compound.
- a 1.000 g of compound A contains 0.356 g of phosphorus.
 - b 1.000 g of compound B contains 0.564 g of phosphorus.
 - c 1.000 g of compound C contains 0.437 g of phosphorus. [6]

Total Score: %
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SECTION ONE - TOPIC 7

2 Worksheet 7

Moles in solution

- 1 a Calculate the concentration of the following solutions.
- i 0.840 moles of solute dissolved in 5.00 dm^3 of solution
 - ii 0.360 moles of solute dissolved in 300 cm^3 of solution
 - iii 0.0200 moles of solute dissolved in 25.0 cm^3 of solution
 - iv 24.0 moles of solute dissolved in 30.0 dm^3 of solution
- b i Which of the solutions above is the most concentrated?
ii Which of the solutions above is the most dilute (least concentrated)?
iii Which of the solutions above have the same concentration? [7]
- 2 Calculate the concentration of the following solutions.
- a 0.760 g of potassium nitrate(V) (KNO_3) dissolved in 80.0 cm^3 of solution
 - b 12.0 g of $\text{CuSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$ dissolved in 100 cm^3 of solution
 - c 54.0 g of glucose ($\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6$) dissolved in 300 cm^3 of solution
 - d 120 g of nitric(V) acid (HNO_3) dissolved in 200 cm^3 of solution [12]
- 3 How many moles of solute do these samples contain?
- a 60.0 cm^3 of a 2.00 mol dm^{-3} solution
 - b 200 cm^3 of a $0.200 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ solution
 - c 0.500 dm^3 of a 1.00 mol dm^{-3} solution
 - d 12.6 cm^3 of a $0.250 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ solution [4]
- 4 What volume of a solution of concentration $0.0800 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ should be measured out to give the following amounts? Give your answers in both cm^3 and dm^3 .
- a 0.000100 moles
 - b 0.000320 moles
 - c 0.0400 moles [6]

Total
29

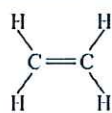

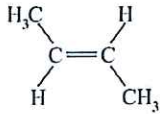
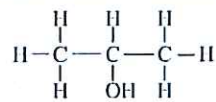
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SECTION TWO - TOPIC 8

10 Worksheet 1

Formulae in organic chemistry

Copy and complete the table using the information provided.

Molecular formula	Empirical formula	Structural formula	Displayed formula	Skeletal formula
C_2H_4	CH_2	$H_2C=CH_2$		$=$
C_3H_8	1	2	3	4
5	6	$CH_3CH_2CHCH_2$	7	8
		$(CH_3)_2CCH_2$	9	10
		11	12	
		13		14
15	16	$CH_3OCH_2CH_3$	17	18
		$CH_3CH_2CH_2OH$	19	20
		21		22

Total
22

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Naming hydrocarbons

By the end of this spread, you should be able to . . .

- ✱ Understand and be able to use the IUPAC rules of nomenclature for naming hydrocarbons.

Key definition

Nomenclature is a system of naming compounds.

Number of carbons	Stem	Alkyl group
1	meth-	methyl
2	eth-	ethyl
3	prop-	propyl
4	but-	butyl
5	pent-	pentyl
6	hex-	hexyl
7	hept-	heptyl
8	oct-	octyl
9	non-	nonyl
10	dec-	decyl

Table 1 Alkyl groups

Key definition

An alkyl group is an alkane with a hydrogen atom removed, e.g. CH_3 , C_2H_5 ; any alkyl group is often shown as 'R'.

Examiner tip

When naming compounds, you use the *smallest* numbers possible. So here the compound is 2-methylpentane, rather than 4-methylpentane.

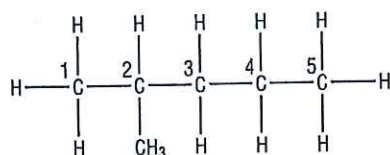


Figure 2 2-Methylpentane

Naming organic compounds

With over ten million organic compounds, it is important that each has its own unique name. Organic nomenclature (the system used for naming compounds) was developed by the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry and is known as the IUPAC system.

You must be able to:

- name compounds from given structures
- draw molecules from their names.

Organic molecules are typically made up of:

- a carbon chain;
- side chains or alkyl groups;
- one or more functional groups.

Stem, prefix and suffix

The *stem* indicates the number of carbon atoms in the longest carbon chain present in the compound.

A *prefix* is added *before* the stem, as part of the name.

A *suffix* is added *after* the stem, as part of the name.

Alkyl groups

As discussed in spread 2.1.1, methane (CH_4) and ethane (C_2H_6) are members of the homologous series, the *alkanes*.

If you remove a hydrogen atom from an alkane, you will get an *alkyl group*. Stems and alkyl groups for up to ten carbon atoms are shown in Table 1.

Naming alkanes

When naming a molecule from its structure, you just need to follow some simple steps.

Alkanes are the simplest compounds to name. *All* alkanes end their names with the suffix *-ane*.

Example 1

Identify the *longest unbranched* chain of carbon atoms in the structure. This is called the parent chain.

Name the *stem* of the parent chain using Table 1.

- There are four carbons in the longest unbranched chain, so the stem is *but-*.
- There are no side chains.
- The compound is an alkane, so the suffix is *-ane*.
- The name is *butane*.

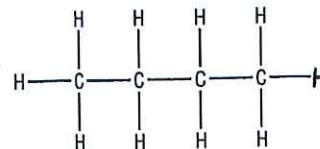


Figure 1 Butane

Example 2

Identify any alkyl groups as side chains. These are added to the stem as a *prefix*. Add a number before each alkyl group to show its position on the parent chain.

- There are five carbons in the longest chain, so the stem is *pent-*.
- There is one alkyl side chain, a *methyl-* group.
- The methyl group is on carbon 2-.
- The compound is an alkane, so the suffix is *-ane*.
- The name is *2-methylpentane*.

Example 3

If there is more than one alkyl group on the main chain, the groups are named alphabetically.

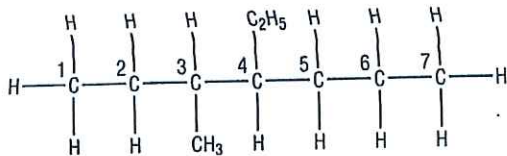


Figure 3 4-Ethyl-3-methylheptane

There are seven carbons in the longest chain, so the stem is *hept-*.

There are two alkyl side chains:

a *methyl-* group on carbon 3-;

an *ethyl-* group on carbon 4-.

The alkyl groups are listed alphabetically.

The compound is an alkane, so the suffix is *-ane*.

The name is *4-ethyl-3-methylheptane*.

Naming alkenes

An alkene is an unsaturated hydrocarbon with at least one carbon-to-carbon double bond, C=C.

You name alkenes by following similar steps used to name the alkanes.

The main differences are:

- The suffix is *-ene*.
- The position of the double bond has to be stated. This applies to alkenes with *four or more* carbons in the longest chain. You only need to use the smaller number. If the double bond starts at carbon-1, it must go to carbon-2.

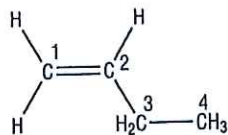


Figure 5 But-1-ene

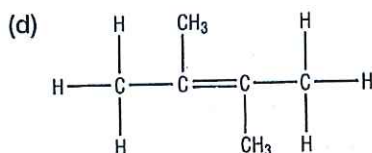
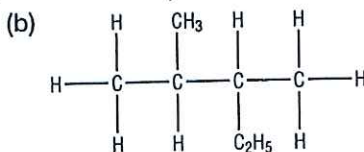
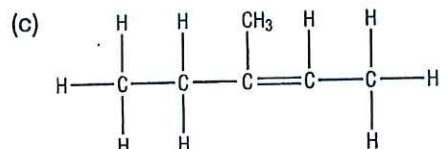
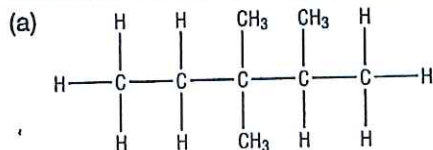
- There are four carbons in the longest chain, so the stem is *but-*.
- There is a double bond between carbons -1- and 2.
- The compound is an alkene, so the suffix is *-ene*.
- The name is *but-1-ene*.

Questions

1 Draw out all the atoms and bonds to display the structures for the following molecules:

- (a) pent-2-ene; (b) 2,3-dimethylbutane;
(c) hexane; (d) 2,3,4-trimethylhexane;
(e) 2-methylbut-2-ene.

2 Name each of the following hydrocarbons.



Examiner tip

For the molecule in Figure 4, the two alkyl groups are the same and on the same carbon. The name is 2,2-dimethylbutane.

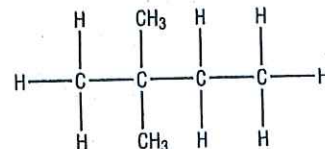


Figure 4 2,2-dimethylbutane

Examiner tip

When naming compounds, separate numbers by *commas*. Place *hyphens* between numbers and words.

9 marks

By the end of this spread, you should be able to . . .

- Understand and use the following terms: empirical formula; molecular formula; general formula; displayed formula.

Empirical formula

An *empirical formula* is the simplest whole-number ratio of atoms of each element present in a compound. (See also spread 1.1.5.)

Examples

- Ethanoic acid (CH_3COOH) has two carbon, four hydrogen and two oxygen atoms. The empirical formula for ethanoic acid is CH_2O as the simplest whole-number ratio.
- Benzene (C_6H_6) and ethyne (C_2H_2) have the same empirical formula, which is CH .

Worked example

A hydrocarbon was found to contain 85.63% carbon and 14.37% hydrogen. Calculate its empirical formula.

Answer

100.0 g of the compound contains 85.63 g of C and 14.37 g of H.

Find the molar ratio of atoms:

C	:	H
$\frac{85.63}{12.0}$:	$\frac{14.37}{1.0}$
7.14	:	14.37

Divide by smallest number (7.14): 1 : 2

Empirical formula = CH_2

Molecular formula

A *molecular formula* is the actual number of atoms of each element in a molecule. (See also spread 1.1.5.)

Example

The molecular formula of ethene is C_2H_4 .

- In a molecule of ethene, there are two atoms of carbon and four atoms of hydrogen.

Worked example

A compound has an empirical formula of CH_2O and a relative molecular mass of 60.0.

Find its molecular formula.

Answer

Find the relative empirical mass of the empirical formula.

$$\text{CH}_2\text{O} = 12.0 + 1.0 + 1.0 + 16.0 = 30.0$$

Then, divide the relative molecular mass by the relative empirical mass:

$$\frac{\text{relative molecular mass}}{\text{relative empirical mass}} = \frac{60.0}{30.0} = 2$$

The molecular formula is twice the empirical formula (CH_2O).

This gives the molecular formula as $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{O}_2$.

Remember

$$\text{amount, } n = \frac{\text{mass, } m}{\text{molar mass, } M}$$

Examiner tip

Make sure that you divide by the smallest number of moles.

Examiner tip

Even if the answer seems obvious to you, it is important to show all of your working. You will get marks for it, even if you make a mistake in your calculations.

General formula

A general formula is the simplest algebraic formula for a member of a homologous series.

Examples

Alkanes: C_nH_{2n+2} .

n	Molecular formula	Name
1	CH ₄	Methane
2	C ₂ H ₆	Ethane
3	C ₃ H ₈	Propane
4	C ₄ H ₁₀	Butane

Table 1 The alkanes

Alkenes: C_nH_{2n} .

n	Molecular formula	Name
1	—	—
2	C ₂ H ₄	Ethene
3	C ₃ H ₆	Propene
4	C ₄ H ₈	Butene

Table 2 The alkenes

Alcohols: $C_nH_{2n+1}OH$.

n	Molecular formula	Name
1	CH ₃ OH	Methanol
2	C ₂ H ₅ OH	Ethanol
3	C ₃ H ₇ OH	Propanol
4	C ₄ H ₉ OH	Butanol

Table 3 The alcohols

Displayed formula

A displayed formula shows the relative positioning of all the atoms in a molecule, and the bonds between them.

Examples

Butane has the molecular formula C₄H₁₀. Its displayed formula is shown in Figure 1.

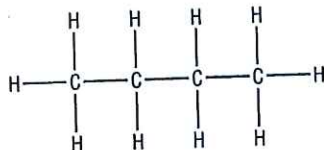


Figure 1 Butane

Propan-2-ol has the molecular formula C₃H₈O. Its displayed formula is shown in Figure 2.

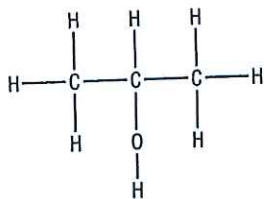


Figure 2 Propan-2-ol

Key definitions

A general formula is the simplest algebraic formula of a member of a homologous series. For example, the general formula of the alkanes is C_nH_{2n+2} .

A displayed formula shows the relative positioning of all the atoms in a molecule and the bonds between them.

Examiner tip

When drawing the full displayed formula of a compound, you must remember to draw *all* atoms and *all* bonds, even those between the oxygen and hydrogen in an alcohol group.

Questions

- A molecule contains 12.79% C, 2.15% H and 85.06% Br. The molecule has a relative molecular mass of 187.9.
 - Find the empirical and molecular formula.
 - Draw a possible displayed formula for the molecule.
- What is the molecular formula for $n=5$ to $n=8$ for
 - the alkenes?
 - the alcohols?
- Alliin is a powerful medicinal compound formed from garlic. Alliin has the following composition by mass: C, 40.66%; H, 6.26%; N, 7.90%; O, 27.08%; S, 18.10%. Alliin has a relative molecular mass of 177.1.
 - Determine the empirical formula of alliin.
 - Show that the molecular formula of alliin is the same as its empirical formula.

15 marks

2.1

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Structural and skeletal formula

By the end of this spread, you should be able to . . .

- ✳ Understand and use the term structural formula.
- ✳ Understand and use the term skeletal formula.

Key definition

A structural formula shows the minimal detail for the arrangement of atoms in a molecule.

Structural formula

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- This is a shorthand form of writing the displayed formula (see spread 2.1.4), with no bonds between atoms.

Example 1

The displayed and structural formulae for propane and 1-bromopropane are shown in Figure 1.

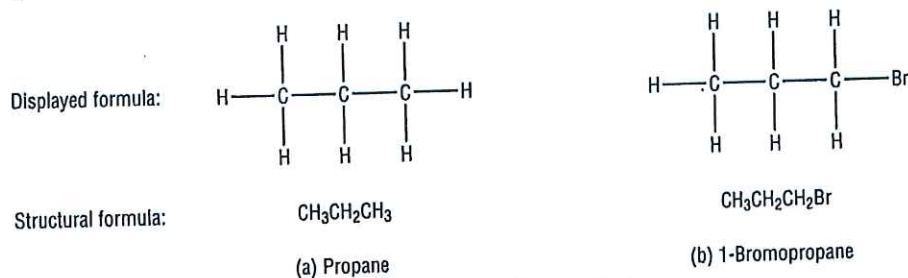


Figure 1 Displayed and structural formulae for (a) propane and (b) 1-bromopropane

Example 2

The displayed and structural formulae for decanoic acid, $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_2$, are shown in Figure 2.

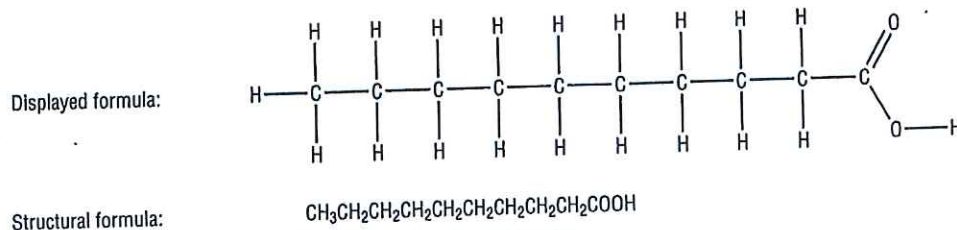


Figure 2 Displayed and structural formulae for decanoic acid

The structural formula can be further simplified by collecting all the CH_2 groups together. The formula can then be represented using brackets.

- The structural formula for decanoic acid then becomes: $\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_8\text{COOH}$.

Skeletal formula

A skeletal formula is a simplified organic formula, with the hydrogen atoms removed from the alkyl chains. This leaves just a carbon skeleton with associated functional groups. The displayed and skeletal formulae for hexane are shown in Figure 3.

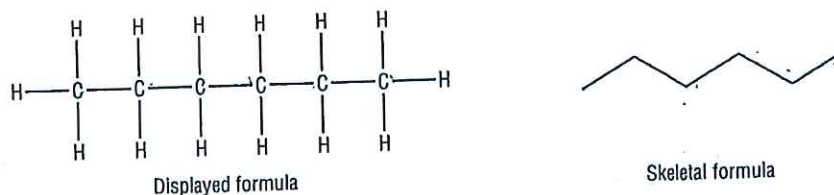


Figure 3 Displayed and skeletal formulae of hexane

Key definition

A skeletal formula is a simplified organic formula, with hydrogen atoms removed from alkyl chains, leaving just a carbon skeleton and associated functional groups.

Saturated hydrocarbons

The displayed, structural and skeletal formulae for pentane and 3-methylpentane are shown in Figure 4.

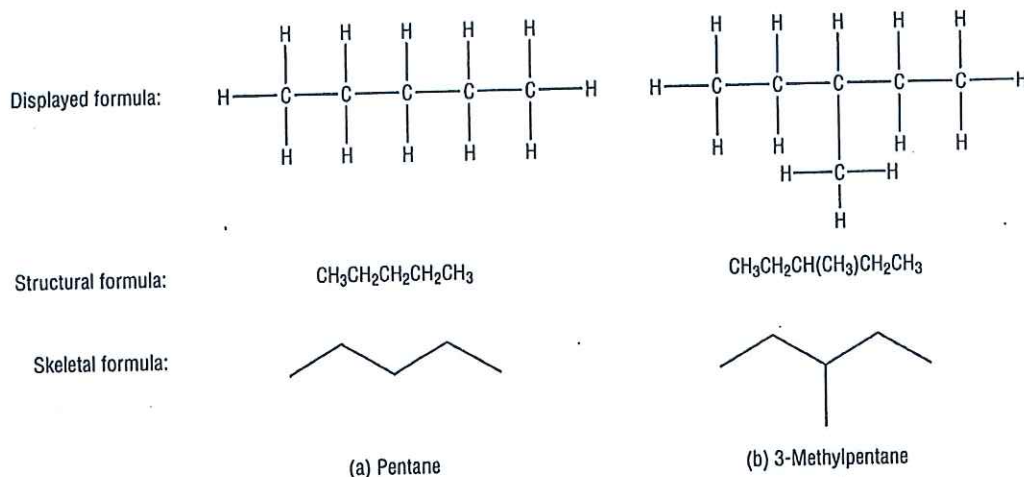


Figure 4 Displayed, structural and skeletal formulae for (a) pentane and (b) 3-methylpentane

For a skeletal formula of a hydrocarbon:

- note that *no* carbon or hydrogen atoms are shown.
- there is a carbon atom at *each end* of the chain.
- there is a carbon atom at each point where two lines *meet*.

Cyclic compounds

When you need to draw a cycloalkane or cycloalkene, you usually represent the compound as a *skeletal* formula rather than as a displayed one. The displayed and skeletal formulae for cyclopentane and cyclohexene are shown in Figure 5.

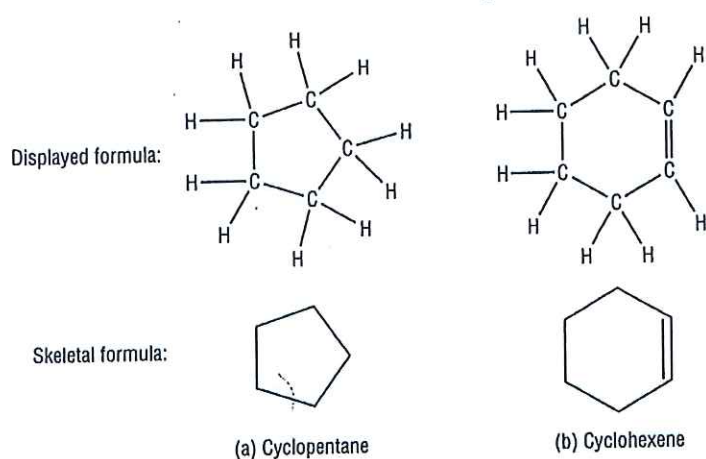


Figure 5 Displayed and skeletal formulae for (a) cyclopentane and (b) cyclohexene

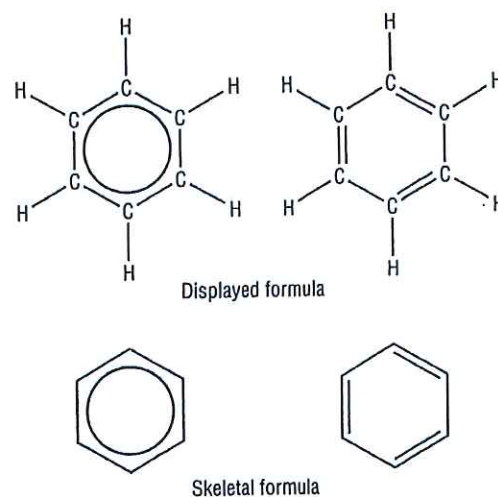


Figure 6 Aromatic hydrocarbons. Benzene, C_6H_6 , is an aromatic hydrocarbon. The structure of benzene is shown in different ways, and some of these are shown above. You will learn about aromatic compounds in detail during A2 Chemistry.

Questions

- 1 Draw the skeletal formula for:
- (a) hexane; (b) 4-methylnonane; (c) cyclobutane.
- 2 Show the structural formula for:
- (a) octane; (b) 2,3-dimethylhexane.
- 3 Draw the skeletal formula for:
- (a) methylcyclohexane; (b) cyclopentene; (c) methylbenzene.

4 8 marks

6 Skeletal formulae and functional groups

By the end of this spread, you should be able to . . .

- * Draw skeletal formulae for simple molecules containing functional groups.
- * Draw and interpret the skeletal formula for complex molecules.

Unsaturated hydrocarbons

Pent-2-ene can be represented by the skeletal formula shown in Figure 1.



Figure 1 Skeletal formula for pent-2-ene

- The double bond is shown between carbon-2 and carbon-3.
- When drawing skeletal formulae for alkenes, two parallel lines are used to represent the double bond.

Compounds with functional groups

When functional groups are present, they must be included in the skeletal formula.

Butan-2-ol has the structural formula: $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$.

The skeletal formula for butan-2-ol is shown in Figure 2.

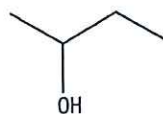


Figure 2 Skeletal formula for butan-2-ol

- There are four carbon atoms in the main chain.
- There is an $-\text{OH}$ group on carbon-2.
- The hydrogen on the $-\text{OH}$ is shown, as it is part of the functional group.

Pentanoic acid has the structural formula: $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{COOH}$ or $\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{COOH}$.

The skeletal formula for pentanoic acid is shown in Figure 3.

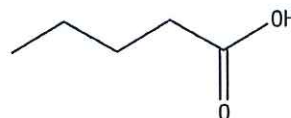


Figure 3 Skeletal formula for pentanoic acid

- There are five carbon atoms in the main chain.
- Carbon-1 is part of a $-\text{COOH}$ group.
- The hydrogen on the $-\text{OH}$ is shown, as it is part of the functional group.

More complex structures

During your AS and A2 course, you will come across some more complex structures for organic compounds. These are usually drawn in skeletal form. The skeletal formulae for paracetamol, retinol and salbutamol are shown below.

These compounds are all used as medicinal drugs.

- Paracetamol is used for pain relief.
- Retinol is used to treat acne.
- Salbutamol is used to treat asthma.

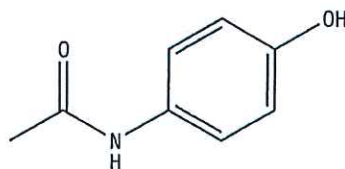


Figure 4 Paracetamol

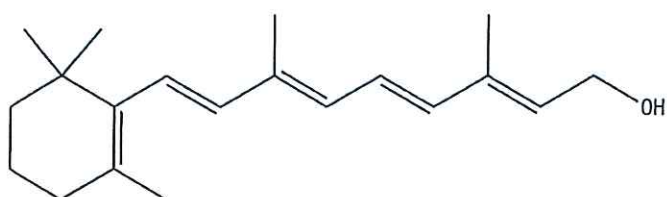


Figure 5 Retinol, vitamin A

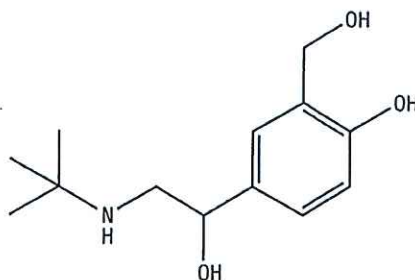


Figure 6 Salbutamol

Notice that all these names end in -ol, used by chemists to indicate an -OH group.

Questions

1 Draw the skeletal formula for $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$.

2 A molecule has the following skeletal formula.

(a) Deduce the empirical, molecular and structural formulae.

(b) Draw a displayed formula, showing *all* atoms and bonds.

(c) Name the compound.



Figure 7

3 A compound has the following skeletal formula.

(a) Name the compound.

(b) Draw the displayed formula of the compound, showing all atoms and bonds.

(c) What is the molecular formula and molecular mass of the compound?

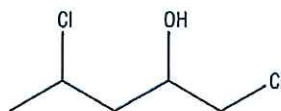


Figure 8

4 Two compounds, A and B have the same molecular formula but different structural formulae. Compound A has the structural formula $\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{OH}$ and compound B has the structural formula $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$.

(a) Name compounds A and B.

(b) Draw the skeletal formulae for compounds A and B.

← 13 marks