## SYMMETRY AND GROUP THEORY

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## UNIT-01 Symmetry \& Group Theory

## 16 Hrs

- Outline of symmetry elements and symmetry operation
- Schonflies method for determining the point group of the molecules.
- Multiplication of symmetry operation and multiplication table for $\mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{v}, \mathrm{C}_{3} \mathrm{v}, \mathrm{C}_{2 \mathrm{~h}}$.
- Equivalent symmetry elements, similarity transformation and conjugacy of symmetry operation within the point group
- Matrics: Characteristics, types of matrices(common \& special), and Algebra of matrices(Particularly Multiplication)
Use of Matrix and matrix representation of symmetry Elements and Their point groups(using various Vectors: position vector, translation vector, base vector)
- $\Gamma_{3 \mathrm{~N}}$ Representation :For $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}, \mathrm{NH}_{3}, \mathrm{BF}_{3}, \mathrm{PtCl}_{4}, \mathrm{PCl}_{5}, \mathrm{SF}_{6}, \mathrm{POCl}_{3}, \mathrm{CCl}_{4}, \mathrm{Cis}^{2}$ \&Trans $\mathrm{N}_{2} \mathrm{~F}_{4}, \mathrm{XeOF}_{4}$
- Reducible and Irreducible Representation\& charactor Table
- Characteristics of Irreducible Representation: The great orthogonality theorem
- Construction of Character Table For $\mathrm{C}_{3} \mathrm{v}$ using properties of irreducible Representation
- Direct product and its utility.

UNIT 02 : Group theory and its applications

- Character table and their presentation
- Reduction formula for reducible representation of any matrix presentation of particular point groups
- Application of symmetry to hybrid orbital, molecular orbital
- Hybridisation schemes for sigma-orbitals ( for $\mathrm{AB}_{3}$ : planar triangle, trigonal pyramidal e.g. $\mathrm{BF}_{3} \& \mathrm{NH}_{3}, \mathrm{AB}_{4}$ : tetrahedral and square planar molecules e.g. $\mathrm{CH}_{4} \&\left[\mathrm{PtCl}_{4}\right]^{-2}, \mathrm{AB}_{5}$ : trigonal bipyramidal \& square pyramidal e.g. $\mathrm{PCl}_{5} \& \mathrm{IF}_{5}$ and $\mathrm{AB}_{6}$ : octahedral e.g. $\mathrm{SF}_{6}$ and pi-orbital for $\mathrm{AB}_{3}$ (e.g. $\mathrm{BF}_{3}$ ) $\mathrm{AB}_{6}$ (e.g. $\mathrm{SF}_{6}$ )
- Application of symmetry to molecular vibrations, interpretation of IR \& Raman activity. (spectral data)

God geometrized everything in nature \&

## Nature loves

Syn-metron SYMMETRY...

$\checkmark$ One of the fundamental property of nature
$\checkmark$ Kind of balancing act
$\checkmark$ Beauty and harmony
> Science basic concept
$>$ Begins as the first property of geometrical figures
$>$ One of the physical property of molecules
> It is an essential and important theme for defining molecular structure.

The symmetry relationship in the molecular structure understand by the basis for mathematical theory is called Group Theory. = Algebra of Geometry

## The symmetry arises because.....

$\Rightarrow$ An atom or a group of atoms is repeated in a regular rhythmatic way to from a pattern.

$>$ In order to quantify the extent of this repetitive pattern and the amount of symmetry contained in the molecule, We need to describe certain ......

## "SYMMETRY OPERATIONS"



## SYMMETRY OPERATIONS....

## is not just any operation.

But, it is an operation with a

## restriction

## or

## a specific condition..

A symmetry operation is a movement of the molecules such that the resulting configuration of the molecules is equivalent or indistinguishable or conjugated configuration from of the original configuration (ideal).


Move the water molecules by Rotating

Not equivalent to original
Clockwise iotation
$90^{\circ}$
Not equivalent to original


Equivalent \& indistinguishable configuration to original

We can move any molecules by..

## Operation.

## $\Rightarrow$ Rotating $\Rightarrow$ Reflecting $\Rightarrow$ Inversing

## Rotation

Rotate the Molecules on any point [axis] to get an equivalent configuration.

Reflect form any plane which is devising to molecules in same atoms or element..

Inverted the group or atoms through the center of molecule.
[transfer from one to one oppositely]

Reflection in water molecule.


Inversion in $\mathrm{PtCl}_{4}$ molecule.


Symmetry operation is some physical movement on the molecules in order to get an equivalent configuration......... which in turn generate the corresponding...

## "Symmetry Element"

$>$ it is intricately related with the Symmetry Operation.
$>$ it is geometrical entity
i.e. a point, a line, a plane.

In all,...
There are five type of symmetry elements..

1. Rotational axis of symmetry. [ $C_{n}$ ]
2. Plane of symmetry. [ $\sigma$ ]
3. Inversion centre of symmetry. [ i ]
4. Improper rotational axis of symmetry. [ $S_{n}$ ]
5. Identity of molecule..[ E]

All S.E. pass through a single point, and the operation generation all S.E. leave just one point unmoved.
it Is nothing but the 'Centre of Gravity'.

## 1. Rotational axis of symmetry. [ $C_{n}$ ]

Rotate the molecule ones OR several times by minimum angle $\theta$ on any axis to obtain an equivalent configuration

$$
\begin{aligned}
\theta=\frac{360}{n} \quad \text { Where } \mathrm{n} & =360 / \theta \\
& =\text { order of the axis }
\end{aligned}
$$




Ideal configuration

In water molecule, $n=2$
i.e. $C_{2}$ rotational axis is present in water molecule.

## Rotation in $\mathrm{BF}_{3}$ molecule



Equivalent configuration


Original configuration
$\mathrm{n}=360 / 120=\mathrm{C}_{3}$ rotational axis is present in $\mathrm{BF}_{3}$

## $\mathrm{C}_{4} \& \mathrm{C}_{5}$ rotational axis

Rotate the $\mathrm{PtCl}_{4}$ molecule to $\theta=90$ to get equivalent configuration.
$\mathrm{C}_{4}$ rotational axis When rotate the $\mathrm{PtCl}_{4}$ to four times, we get ideal configuration

Rotate the $\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5}$ molecule to $\theta=72$ to get equivalent configuration.


## $\mathrm{C}_{5}$ rotational axis

When rotate the $\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5}$ to five times, we get ideal configuration

## Other Rotational axis in BF3 molecule.....



Total No of Rotational axis in $\mathrm{BF}_{3}$
One $\mathrm{C}_{3}$
Three $\mathrm{C}_{2}$
(which is perpendicular to $\mathrm{C}_{3}$ )

There are in general two types of R. A.

1. Principal R.A. [Cn] Where n is highest. e.g. highest fold R.A.
2. Simple OR Secondary R.A. these may be often $\mathrm{C}_{2}$ axis it is perpendicular to P.R.A. No of S.R.A. = the order of P.R.A.(n)

Rotational axis in $\mathrm{BF}_{3}$
One $\mathrm{C}_{3}$ is called P.R.A.
Three $C_{2}$ is called S.R.A.(which is perpendicular to $C_{3}$ )
In R.A. values of $n=2,3,4, \ldots \ldots . . \infty$
When $\theta=0$, then $\mathrm{n}=\infty$

## 2. Plane of symmetry. [ $\sigma$ ]

It can be simply obtained by the reflection operation from any plane of molecules

$\sigma^{1}$ (once reflection)= [II]= Equivalent configuration
$\sigma^{2}$ (twice reflection)= [III]= identical configuration=[I]
$\sigma^{3}$ (thrice reflection)= [II]= Equivalent configuration
$\sigma^{\mathrm{n}}$ ( $\mathrm{n}=\mathrm{odd}$ )= [II]= Equivalent configuration ( $\mathrm{n}=$ =even ) $=[\mathrm{I}]=$ identical configuration

The plane in fact bisects the $\mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{2}} \mathbf{O}$ molecule into two halves so that one half of the molecule is reflected into the other.
There is another plane in $\mathbf{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ mole. (Molecular plane)


There are two plane in H2O Molecule.

As regularity in structure of mol. Increases, it possible to discover more and new sets of planes, All of which can be classified into...

> [i] Vertical planes $\left(\sigma_{v}\right)$
> [ii] Dihedral planes $\left(\sigma_{d}\right)$
> [iii] Horizontal planes $\left(\sigma_{h}\right)$

The planes are classified depending on their relationship with either the P.R.A. or S.R.A.

## [iii] Horizontal planes $\left(\sigma_{h}\right)$

It is perpendicular to the P.R.A.
This is a special and unique plane which is present in many molecules.

In $\mathrm{BF}_{3}$ (Trigonal planer) mole. Containing $\sigma_{\mathrm{h}}$ plane which is perpendicular to the P.R.A. $\mathrm{C}_{3}$


Horizontal planes ( $\sigma \mathrm{h}$ ) in $\mathrm{BF}_{3}$ contain $3 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{F}$ bonds and bisect all 3 F and B atoms.

## [i] Vertical planes $\left(\sigma_{v}\right)$ <br> It is contains the P.R.A.

In $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ molecule two $\sigma v$ planes,
One of the $\sigma \mathrm{v}$ plane contains the whole molecule = Molecular plane Other $\sigma v$ plane bisect the molecule all plane contains the P.R.A.


In $\mathrm{NH}_{3}$ molecule three $\sigma \mathrm{v}$ planes
There is no molecular plane in $\mathrm{NH}_{3}$


## [ii] Dihedral planes $\left(\sigma_{d}\right)$

A dihedral planes is one which bisects the angle subtended between two similar consecutive $\mathbf{C}_{2}$ axes. (S.R.A.)
Allene, Methane and staggered ethane are contain only this type of planes


Newman projection



Horse projection


There are $3 C_{2}$ and $2 \sigma_{d}$ (which is bisect the $2 C_{2}$ In the aline.
$\sigma_{\mathbf{d}}$ Plane and $\mathrm{C}_{2}$ axis in St. Ethane


In this molecules, there are 3 C 2 , which is passed only $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C}$ bone, angle between the two $\mathrm{C}_{2}$ axis is 120.
There are $3 \sigma_{d}$ Plane, which is passed 2C and $2 H$ which are lies in opposite position

The dihedral planes is difficult to distinguished from $\sigma_{v}$ There are four $\mathrm{C}_{2} \operatorname{In} \mathrm{PtCl}_{4}$


All Plane contain $\mathrm{C}_{2}$ axis, as well as all the four plane bisects the angle between the two $\mathrm{C}_{2}$ axis.


## Horizontal planes $\left(\sigma_{h}\right)$ in $\mathrm{PtCl}_{4}$



There are five planes in $\mathrm{PtCl}_{4}$

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Two Dihedral planes }\left(\sigma_{d}\right) \\
& \text { Two Vertical planes }\left(\sigma_{v}\right) \\
& \text { One Horizontal planes }\left(\sigma_{h}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

## Improper rotational axis of symmetry. [ $S_{n}$ ]

Combination axis = Rotation $\boldsymbol{-}$ Reflection axis.
This element is generated by rotating the mole. by an angle and then taking reflection in plane perpendicular to the rotational axis

If there is $\mathbf{C}_{n}$ axis along $Z$-axis and $\sigma_{x z}$ is a plane perpendicular to axis than,


## In the $\mathrm{BF}_{3}$ molecules

There is $\mathrm{C}_{3}(\mathrm{z})$ axis and $\sigma_{\mathrm{xz}}\left(\sigma_{h}\right)$ plane which is perpendicular to the $\mathrm{C}_{3}(\mathrm{z})$ axis exist separately, then $\mathrm{S}_{3}(\mathrm{z})$ axis is present in $\mathrm{BF}_{3}$



Two structure are not identical but
Front side of all B and 3F atoms.


Back side of all $B$ and $3 F$ atoms.

Anti-clock wise rotation and
 reflection to the pllane

Original configuration

## Equivalent

 configuration

Back side of all B and 3F atoms.

Front side of all B and 3F atoms.



Equivalent configuration


Relationship of Improper rotational axis with E( identity)

$$
S_{n}^{n}=S_{n}^{1} \cdot S_{n}^{2} \cdot S_{n}^{3} \cdot S_{n}^{4} \ldots \ldots \ldots . S_{n}^{n}=E[\text { where } . . n=\text { even }]
$$

## EXEMPLE:

PtCl4(S4); Eclipesed dibenzene cromium(S6), SF6(Oh)(S4)

$$
S_{n}^{2 n}=S_{n}^{1} \cdot S_{n}^{2} \cdot S_{n}^{3} \cdot S_{n}^{4} \ldots \ldots \ldots \cdot S_{n}^{2 n}=E[\text { where } . . n=\text { odd }]
$$

## EXEMPLES:

Eclipesed ehane(S3); BF3(S3); Eclipesed ferrocene (S5)

From the discussed, it is conclude that,
If a $\mathrm{C}_{n}$ and a $\sigma$ plane perpendicular to it exist separately, then $\mathrm{S}_{\boldsymbol{n}}$ is necessarily present in molecules.
Examples: Eclipesed ehane(S3); BF3(S3); eclipesed ferrocene(S5); PtCl4(S4); Eclipesed dibenzene cromium(S6).

However, $S_{n}$ may exist even when $C_{n}$ and $\sigma_{h}$ perpendicular to $\mathrm{C}_{n}$ do not exist independently.
Examples: St.ethane(S6);
St.Ferrocine(S10); St.Cr(C6H5)2

Staggered ethane do not contain the $\mathrm{C}_{6}$ axis $\left(\mathrm{C}_{3}\right.$ is present) and $\sigma_{h}$ plane. But $S_{6}$ is present in this mole.


Original configuration


Not equivalent configuration

$S_{6}^{1}$

Equivalent configuration



## Inversion centre of symmetry. [ $i$ ]

[ $i$ ] is Generated when all the atoms or groups are inverted through the center of the molecules.

## This operation requires :

$\checkmark$ All the atoms or groups lying out side the center of gravity of the mole. $\checkmark$ All atoms or groups must always occur in identical pairs or twins. $\checkmark$ All the atoms or groups must be diagonally placed with each other.

## Examples of molecules having Inversion centre [ $i$ ]



Newman projection
$\mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{~F}_{4}$
Horse projection


An atom may or may not be located at the inversion center. - In $\mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{~F}_{4}$ and $\mathrm{ClBrCH}-\mathrm{CHBrCl}$ mole. An atom may not located at the Inversion center.

- In PtCl 4 mole. Pt atom located at the I.C.


## Identity (E)

This element is obtained by an operation ' identity operation' ( doing-nothing operation). Every molecule has this element of symmetry. After this operation, the molecule remains as such. This situation can be visualized by two ways.

1. Do not do any thing on molecules.
2. Rotate the molecules by 360 .


Doing nothing operation
Rotate 0 or 360

## Cartesian coordinate system and symmetry element

It is always convenient to place a molecule in Cartesian coordinates $(X, Y, Z)$ system and define its symmetry element .

## Origin (0):-

Molecules has always the center of gravity and the center of gravity always located at the origin of the coordinate axis system.


## Z-Axis:-

1. if there is only one R.A. of symmetry, it is to be taken as Z-axis.

$\mathrm{C}_{2}$ (only one R.A.) it is to be selected Z-axis in $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$.
2. if there are more than one R.A. the highest fold rotational axis (P.R.A.) is to be selected as the Z-axis.
$\mathrm{C}_{4}$ (PRA) is to be selected Z -axis $\left[\mathrm{C}_{4}(\mathrm{Z})\right]$

3. if there are more the highest fold rotational axis(P.R.A.), the axis containing more number of atoms should be considered as the $z$-axis

There are three $\mathrm{C}_{2}$ axis in Aline mole, the $\mathrm{C}_{2}$ axis which is containing three C-atoms is to be selected as Z-axis


## X \& Y-Axis:-

- If the molecules is planer and if Z-axis is lies in this plane then the X -axis is to be chosen as the perpendicular to this plane. and Y -Axis then lies perpendicular to the XZ plane.



## X \& Y-Axis:-

- If the molecules is planer and if Z-axis is perpendicular to this plane then $x$-axis is chosen as passing through the largest number of atoms or group,
and Y -Axis is chosen as perpendicular to the XZ plane.
[ $\mathrm{C}_{4}(\mathrm{Z})$ ] perpendicular the molecular plan.

[ $\mathrm{C}_{2}(\mathrm{X})$ ] perpendicular the $\mathrm{C}_{4}(\mathrm{Z})$. And passing through Pt and 2CI atoms


## How to make the group of total SE for the molecules?

$\mathrm{C}_{2} \quad$ Identity $=E$
P.R.A. $=C_{4}^{1}, C_{4}^{2}, C_{4}^{3}, C_{4}^{4}, C_{4}^{5}, \ldots \ldots C_{4}^{n}$.
P.R.A.(2) $=C_{2}^{1}, C_{2}^{2}, C_{2}^{3}, C_{2}^{4}, C_{2}^{5}, \ldots \ldots . C_{2}^{n}$.
$S . R . A .=4 C_{2}^{1}, 4 C_{2}^{2}, 4 C_{2}^{3}, 4 C_{2}^{4}, \ldots \ldots 4 C_{2}^{n}$ $\operatorname{Im} . R . A .=S_{4}^{1}, S_{4}^{2}, S_{4}^{3}, S_{4}^{4}, S_{4}^{5}, \ldots \ldots S_{4}^{n}$. $\operatorname{Im} . R . A .(2)=S_{2}^{1}, S_{2}^{2}, S_{2}^{3}, S_{2}^{4}, \ldots \ldots S_{2}^{n}$. H. Plane $=\sigma h^{1}, \sigma h^{2}, \sigma h^{3}, \ldots . \sigma h^{n}$, V. Plane $=2 \sigma v^{1}, 2 \sigma v^{2}, 2 \sigma v^{3}, \ldots .2 \sigma v^{n}$, D.Plane $=2 \sigma d^{1}, 2 \sigma d^{2}, 2 \sigma d^{3}, \ldots .2 \sigma d^{n}$, IC. $=i^{1}, i^{2}, i^{3}, \ldots . i^{n}$,

## More about symmetry elements....

$\checkmark$ For any given Molecules, it is possible to list the symmetry elements extensively.
$\checkmark$ The list of S.E. is called group of molecules.
$\checkmark$ And the No of S.E. is called order of group (h)
In one group, S.E. correlated with other S.E.
S.E. implied occurrence other S.E.
$>$ It is not necessary to indicate such type of S.E.
$>$ This type of S.E. preclude and than indicate in a group of molecules.

## Some important relation of S.E.

| S.E. | n | Correlation |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| $C_{n}^{n}$ | $\mathrm{n}=$ even or odd | E |
| $\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{n}$ | $\mathrm{n}=$ even | E |
|  | $\mathrm{n}=$ odd | $\sigma$ |
| $\dot{i}^{n}$ | $\mathrm{n}=$ even | E |
|  | $\mathrm{n}=$ odd | I |
| $\boldsymbol{S}_{n}^{n}$ | $\mathrm{n}=$ even | E |
|  | $\mathrm{n}=$ odd | $\sigma$ |

## The implied presence of other S.E. and deducing

The S.E. implied the other S.E. in group , they can be deduced by using the relationship
The presence of Cn axis in a molecule will always imply the presence of a total of $n$ distinct S.E.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& C_{n}^{1} \cdot C_{n}^{2} \cdot C_{n}^{3} \cdots \cdots \cdots \cdot C_{n}^{n} \cdot C_{n}^{n+1} \cdot C_{n}^{n+2} \\
& C_{n}^{n+1}=C_{n}^{n} \cdot C_{n}^{1}=E \cdot C_{n}^{1}=C_{n}^{1}
\end{aligned}
$$

Where $C_{n}^{n+1}$ Is repeated, should be terminated.

## Example, when $\mathrm{n}=e \mathrm{even}, \mathrm{C}_{4}$ axis is present in $\mathrm{PtCl}_{4}$.

| P.R.A. | Correlation |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $C_{4}^{1}$ |  | $C_{4}^{1}$ |
| $C_{4}^{2}$ | $C_{4}^{2 / 2}$ | $C_{2}^{1}$ |
| $C_{4}^{3}$ |  | $C_{4}^{3}$ |
| $C_{4}^{4}$ |  | E |
| $C_{4}^{5}$ | $C_{4}^{4+1}=C_{4}^{4} \cdot C_{4}^{1}=E \cdot C_{4}^{1}=C_{4}^{1}($ repeted $)$ |  |

$$
C_{n}^{m}=C_{n / m}^{m} / m=C_{k}^{1}
$$

## Example, when $\mathrm{n}=\mathrm{odd}, \mathrm{C}_{3}$ axis is present in $\mathrm{BF}_{3}$.

| P.R.A. | Correlation |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $C_{3}^{1}$ |  | $C_{3}^{1}$ |
| $C_{3}^{2}$ |  | $C_{3}^{2}$ |
| $C_{3}^{3}$ |  | E |
| $C_{3}^{4}$ | $C_{3}^{3+1}=C_{3}^{3} \cdot C_{3}^{1}=E \cdot C_{3}^{1}=C_{3}^{1}($ repeted $)$ |  |
|  |  |  |

## $\mathrm{S}_{\mathrm{n}}$ axis are implied other S.E.

Example, when $\mathrm{n}=e \mathrm{even}, \mathrm{S}_{4}$ axis is present in $\mathrm{PtCl}_{4}$.

| P.R.A. | Correlation |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| $S_{4}^{1}$ |  | $S_{4}^{1}$ |
| $S_{4}^{2}$ | $S_{4}^{2}=C_{4}^{2} \cdot \sigma^{2}=C_{2}^{1} \cdot E=C_{2}^{1}$ | $C_{2}^{1}$ |
| $S_{4}^{3}$ |  | $S_{4}^{3}$ |
| $S_{4}^{4}$ |  | E |
| $S_{4}^{5}$ | $S_{4}^{4+1}=S_{4}^{4} \cdot S_{4}^{1}=E \cdot S_{4}^{1}=S_{4}^{1}$ (repeted) |  |

Example, when $\mathrm{n}=\mathrm{odd}, \mathrm{S}_{3}$ axis is present in $\mathrm{BF}_{3}$.

| P.R.A. | Correlation |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| $S_{3}^{1}$ |  | $S_{3}^{1}$ |  |
| $S_{3}^{2}$ | $S_{3}^{2}=C_{3}^{2} \cdot \sigma^{2}=C_{3}^{2} \cdot E=C_{3}^{2}$ | $C_{3}^{2}$ |  |
| $S_{3}^{3}$ | $S_{3}^{3}=C_{3}^{3} \cdot \sigma^{3}=E \cdot \sigma^{2} \cdot \sigma=E \cdot E \cdot \sigma=\sigma_{h}$ | $\sigma_{h}$ |  |
| $S_{3}^{4}$ | $S_{3}^{4}=C_{3}^{4} \cdot \sigma^{4}=C_{3}^{3} \cdot C_{3}^{1} \cdot E=C_{3}^{1}$ | $C_{3}^{1}$ |  |
| $S_{3}^{5}$ | $S_{3}^{5}$ |  |  |
| $S_{3}^{6}$ | $S_{3}^{6}=C_{3}^{6} \cdot \sigma^{6}=E$ | E |  |
| $S_{3}^{7}$ | $S_{3}^{6+1}=S_{3}^{6} \cdot S_{3}^{1}=E \cdot S_{3}^{1}=S_{3}^{1}($ repeted $)$ |  |  |

## The actual amount of S.E. in PtCl4



$$
\text { Identity }=E
$$

$$
\text { P.R.A. }=C_{4}^{1}, C_{4}^{3}
$$

$$
P . R . A \cdot(2)=C_{2}^{1},
$$

Total no of S.E.=16

$$
S . R . A .=4 C_{2}^{1}
$$

$\operatorname{Im} . R . A .=S_{4}^{1}, S_{4}^{3}$,
$\operatorname{Im} . R . A .(2)=S_{2}^{1},=i$

$$
\text { H.Plane }=\sigma h^{1}
$$

$$
\text { V.Plane }=2 \sigma v^{1}
$$

$$
\text { D.Plane }=2 \sigma d^{1}
$$

$$
I . C .=i^{1} \cdot o r \cdot S_{2}^{1}
$$

## Notation of Point Group

The list of actual amount of S.E. for molecules is called group of S.E. and the group of S.E. is indicated by some symbols, is called P.G. of molecule.
$\rightarrow$ Every group has a descriptive symbol signifying the presence of some defining combination of S.E.
$\rightarrow$ There are two types of symbolism.

1. Schoenflies Notation
2. Hermann-Mauguin notation

## Schoenflies Notation

1. The main symbol (alphabetical) used refers to the axis of highest symmetry in the molecules.

C- stands for highest-fold proper axis.
S- stands for highest fold improper axis.
D- stands for H.F.P.R.A. with nC2 (S.R.A) perpendicular to it.
T;O;I;- are specially symbols to represent the highly symmetry.
Tetrahedral; octahedral; icosahedral.
2. The numerical subscripts indicate the order of the H.O.R.A.
$C_{1}, C_{2}, C_{5}, D_{2}, D_{1} D_{3}, S_{3}$,
3. Further labeling with alphabetical subscripts indicates the presence of certain type of planes of symmetry.
v- used for vertical plane. d.-is used for dihedral plane.
h.-used for horizontal plane.
4. The subscript " $i$ " alone is used when the mole. Contains only " $i$ ' element.(Ci)
5. The subscript " $s$ " alone is used when the mole. Contains only plane of symmetry ' $\sigma$ ' element.(Cs)
6. For the linear mole. Using the symbols C $\alpha$ h and D $\alpha$ h depending on the absence or presence of ' 1 '.





H2O; Pyridene: NH3; Ph3: SO2; SOCl2; PCI3; XeOF4

Trans-1.2-dichloroethlene; H3BO3;


Non-planer H2O2 NPh3:PPh3


G-C2H4; G-C2H6

Allene; S-C2H6; S- Ferrocine; $\mathrm{S}-\mathrm{Cr}(\mathrm{C} 6 \mathrm{H} 6) 2$ C2H4; B2H6; BF3; PCl5; C6H6; PtCl4; e-C2H6: Borozole(B3N3H6)

Knowing the Symmetry Elements of the molecule we can now use the following flow chart to determine the molecular point group.


Point Group and their detailed list of actual S.E.

| Point group | Order of group, h | Type of symmetry elements |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C 1 | 1 | $E\left(=C_{1}\right)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}_{i}$ | 2 | E, I ( $=\mathrm{S}_{2}$ ) |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\text {s }}$ | 2 | E, $\sigma$ |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{n}}$ - groups: ( $\mathrm{h}=\mathrm{n}$ ) |  |  |
| $\mathrm{C}_{2}$ | 2 | E, $\mathrm{C}_{2}$ |
| $\mathrm{C}_{3}$ | 3 | $\mathrm{EC}_{3}{ }^{1}, \mathrm{C}_{3}{ }^{2}$ |
| $\mathrm{C}_{4}$ | 4 | $\mathrm{E}, \mathrm{C}_{4}{ }^{1}, \mathrm{C}_{4}{ }^{2}\left(=\mathrm{C}_{2}\right), \mathrm{C}_{4}{ }^{3}$ |
| $\mathrm{C}_{5}$ | 5 | E, $\mathrm{C}_{4}{ }^{1}, \mathrm{C}_{4}{ }^{2}, \mathrm{C}_{4}{ }^{3}, \mathrm{C}_{4}{ }^{4}$ |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{nv}}$ - groups: $(\mathrm{h}=2 \mathrm{n})$ |  |  |
| $\mathrm{C}_{2 v}$ | 4 | E, $\mathrm{C}_{2}, 2 \boldsymbol{\sigma}$ |
| $\mathrm{C}_{3 v}$ | 6 | E, $\mathrm{C}_{3}{ }^{1}, \mathrm{C}_{3}{ }^{2}, 3 \sigma_{v}$ |
| $\mathrm{C}_{4 \mathrm{v}}$ | 8 | $E, C_{4}{ }^{1}, \mathrm{C}_{4}{ }^{2}\left(=\mathrm{C}_{2}\right), \mathrm{C}_{4}{ }^{3}, \mathbf{2} \sigma_{v}, \mathbf{2} \sigma_{v}{ }^{\prime}$ |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\text {nh }}$ - groups: ( $\mathrm{h}=2 \mathrm{n}$ ) |  |  |
| $\mathrm{C}_{2}$ | 4 | $E, C_{2}, \mathbf{i}=\left(S_{2}\right), \sigma_{\text {h }}$ |
| $\mathrm{C}_{3}$ | 6 | $\mathrm{E}, \mathrm{C}_{3}{ }^{1}, \mathrm{C}_{3}{ }^{2}, \mathrm{~S}_{3}{ }^{1}, \mathrm{~S}_{3}{ }^{5}, \sigma_{\mathrm{h}}$ |
| $\mathrm{C}_{4 \mathrm{~h}}$ | 8 | $E, C_{4}{ }^{1}, \mathrm{C}_{4}{ }^{2}\left(=C_{2}\right), \mathrm{C}_{4}{ }^{3}, \mathrm{~S}_{4}{ }^{1}, \mathrm{~S}_{4}{ }^{3}, \sigma_{\mathrm{h}}, \mathrm{i}=\left(\mathrm{S}_{2}\right)$ |
| $\mathrm{D}_{\mathrm{n}}$ - groups: ( $\mathrm{h}=2 \mathrm{n}$ ) |  |  |
| $\mathrm{D}_{2}$ | 4 | E, $\mathrm{C}_{2}, \mathrm{C}_{2}{ }^{\prime}$ |
| $\mathrm{D}_{3}$ | 6 | $\mathrm{E}, \mathrm{C}_{3}{ }^{1}, \mathrm{C}_{3}{ }^{2}, 3 \mathrm{C}_{2}$ |
| $\mathrm{D}_{4}$ | 8 | E, $2 \mathrm{C}_{4}, \mathrm{C}_{2}, 4 \mathrm{C}_{2}$ |

Point Group and their detailed list of actual S.E.

| $\mathrm{D}_{\text {nh }}$ - groups: ( $\mathrm{h}=4 \mathrm{n}$ ) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{D}_{2 \mathrm{~h}}$ | 8 | $E, C_{2}, 2 C_{2}{ }^{\prime}, \mathrm{i}=\left(\mathrm{S}_{2}\right), \mathrm{\sigma}_{\mathrm{h}}, \mathbf{2} \mathrm{\sigma}_{\mathrm{v}}$ |
| $\mathrm{D}_{3 \mathrm{~h}}$ | 12 | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{E}, 2 \mathrm{C}_{3}, 3 \mathrm{C}_{2}, \sigma_{\mathrm{h}}, 3 \sigma_{\mathrm{v}}, 2 \mathrm{~S}_{3} \\ \left(\mathrm{~S}_{3}{ }^{1}, \mathrm{~S}_{3}^{5}\right) \end{gathered}$ |
| $\mathrm{D}_{4 \mathrm{~h}}$ | 16 | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{E}, 2 \mathrm{C}_{4},\left(\mathrm{C}_{4}{ }^{1}, \mathrm{C}_{4}{ }^{2}\right), \mathrm{C}_{2}=\left(\mathrm{C}_{4}{ }^{2}\right), 2 \mathrm{C}_{2}{ }^{\prime}, 2 \mathrm{C}_{2}{ }^{\prime \prime}, \sigma_{\mathrm{h}}, 2 \sigma_{\mathrm{v}}, 3 \sigma_{\mathrm{d}}, \mathrm{i} \\ , 2 \mathrm{~S}_{4}\left(\mathrm{~S}_{4}{ }^{1}, \mathrm{~S}_{4}{ }^{3}\right) \end{gathered}$ |
| $\mathrm{D}_{\text {nd }}$ - groups: ( $\mathrm{h}=4 \mathrm{n}$ ) |  |  |
| $\mathrm{D}_{2 \mathrm{~d}}$ | 8 | E, $\mathrm{C}_{2}, 2 \mathrm{C}_{2}{ }^{\prime}, 2 \mathrm{\sigma}_{\mathrm{d}}, 2 \mathrm{~S}_{4}$ |
| $\mathrm{D}_{3 \mathrm{~d}}$ | 12 | E, 2C ${ }_{3}\left(\mathrm{C}_{3}{ }^{1}, \mathrm{C}_{3}{ }^{2}\right), 3 \mathrm{C}_{2}, \mathrm{i}, 3 \mathrm{\sigma}_{\mathrm{d}}, 2 \mathrm{~S}_{6}\left(\mathrm{~S}_{6}{ }^{1}, \mathrm{~S}_{6}{ }^{3}\right)$ |
| $\mathrm{D}_{4 \mathrm{~d}}$ | 16 | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{E}, \mathrm{C}_{4,}\left(\mathrm{C}_{4}{ }^{1}, \mathrm{C}_{4}{ }^{3}\right), \mathrm{C}_{2}=\left(\mathrm{C}_{4}{ }^{2}\right), 4 \mathrm{C}_{2}{ }^{\prime}, 4 \mathrm{~S}_{\mathrm{d}}, 4 \mathrm{~S}_{8}\left(\mathrm{~S}_{8}{ }^{1}, \mathrm{~S}_{8}{ }^{3},\right. \\ \left.\mathbf{S}_{8}{ }^{7}\right) \end{gathered}$ |
| $\mathrm{S}_{\mathrm{n}}(\mathrm{n}=$ even)- groups: ( $\mathrm{h}=\mathrm{n}$ ) |  |  |
| $\mathrm{S}_{4}$ | 4 | $\mathrm{E}, \mathrm{S}_{4}{ }^{1}, \mathrm{~S}_{4}{ }^{3}, \mathrm{C}_{2}$ |
| $\mathrm{S}_{6}$ | 6 | $\mathrm{E}, \mathrm{S}_{6}{ }^{1}, \mathrm{~S}_{4}{ }^{5}, \mathrm{C}_{3}{ }^{1}, \mathrm{C}_{3}{ }^{2}, \mathrm{i}$ |
| $\mathrm{S}_{8}$ | 8 | $\mathrm{E}, \mathrm{S}_{8}, \mathrm{~S}_{8}{ }^{1}, \mathrm{~S}_{8}{ }^{3}, \mathrm{~S}_{8}{ }^{5}, \mathrm{~S}_{8}{ }^{7}, \mathrm{C}_{4}{ }^{1}, \mathrm{C}_{4}{ }^{3}, \mathrm{C}_{2}=\left(\mathrm{C}_{4}{ }^{2}\right)$ |
| Infinite- point group ( $\mathrm{h}=\infty$ ) |  |  |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\infty \mathrm{v}}$ | $\infty$ | E, $\infty^{\infty}, \mathrm{C}_{\infty},{ }^{\infty} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{v}$ |
| $\mathrm{D}_{\infty v}$ | $\infty$ | E, $\infty, C_{\infty},{ }^{\infty} \sigma_{v}, \sigma_{h}, \mathbf{i}$ |

## How define the Order of Point Group (h)?

The total no. of symmetry element s is present in point group that is called order of point group.

## Method to identify order of Point Group

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { Allocate Number: } 1 \text { for } \mathrm{C} \text { and } \mathrm{S} \\
& 2 \text { for } \mathrm{D} \\
& 4 \text { for } \mathrm{T} \\
& 6 \text { for } \mathrm{O} \\
& 12 \text { for } \mathrm{I}
\end{aligned}
$$

| Multiply by |
| :--- |
| principle axis |
| number (n) |

Multiply by 2 for any plane ( $\sigma$ ), centre of symmetry (i)

$$
\begin{aligned}
& C_{2} v=1^{*} 2^{*} 2=h=4 \\
& C_{4} v=1^{*} 4^{*} 2=h=8
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
D_{4 h}=2 * 4^{*} 2=h=16
$$

$$
\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{i}}=1^{*} 2=\mathrm{h}=2
$$

$$
\mathrm{Td}=4^{*} 3^{*} 2=\mathrm{h}=24
$$

$\mathrm{Oh}=6 * 4 * 2=\mathrm{h}=48$


