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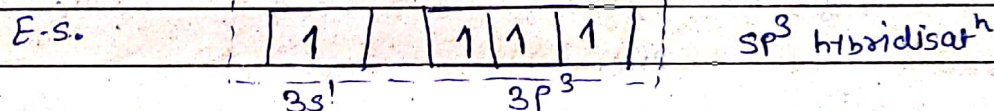
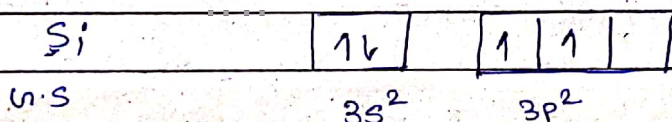
chemistry of non-transition elements

a) Silicates :-

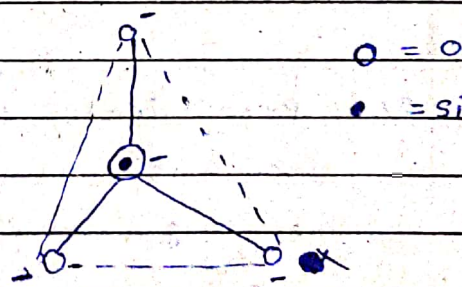
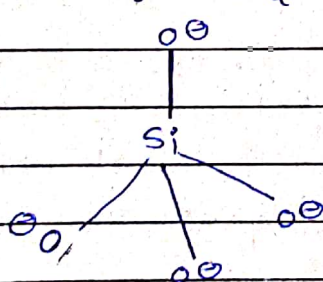
- Silicates are compounds of silicon & oxygen with various metals.
- Fusion of silica with metal oxides, hydroxides or carbonates leads to the formation of wide range of silicates
- The earth crust is very largely composed of silica & silicates which form the principal constituents of all rocks & sands.

Basic unit of silicates :-

The basic unit in most silicates is SiO_4^{4-} tetrahedron. The SiO_4^{4-} unit is formed by sp^3 hybridisation of Si



The sp^3 hybridised Si forms four bonds with oxygen atoms yielding SiO_4^{4-}



E.N.

$\text{O} = 3.5$

$\text{Si} = 1.9$

1.6

Si-O covalent

- In some cases, several $(\text{SiO}_4)^{4-}$ units are bridged together through oxygen atom of the unit.
- The oxygen that forms bridge betⁿ two SiO_4 unit is called bridging oxygen atom.
- The oxygen that does not form a bridge carries -ve charge.

There are various metal cations such as Li^+ , K^+ , Ca^{2+} , Al^{3+} are present in silicates. These serve to hold the solid together by ionic attraction.

① classification of silicates :-

The way in which the $(\text{SiO}_4)^{4-}$ tetrahedral units are linked together provides a convenient classification of silicates. They are classified as:

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| ① orthosilicates | ④ cyclic silicates |
| ② Pyro silicates | ⑤ Sheet silicates |
| ③ chain silicates | ⑥ Three dimensional silicates |

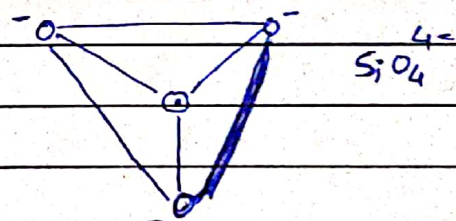
1) Orthosilicates :

It contains discrete $(\text{SiO}_4)^{4-}$ units i.e. SiO_4 tetrahedra with no shared corners.

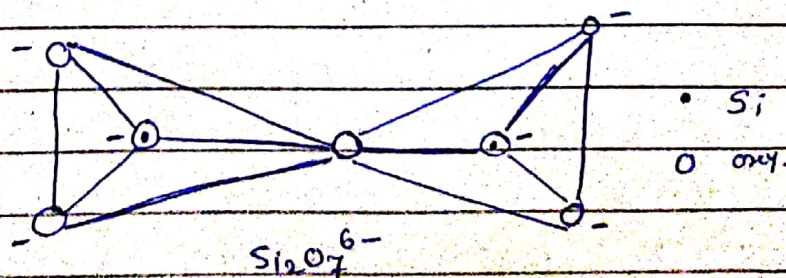
- They have general formula $\text{M}_2^{\text{II}}\text{SiO}_4$ or $\text{M}^{\text{IV}}\text{SiO}_4$

where M_2^{II} & M^{IV} are the metals with +2 & +4 oxidation state.

e.g. Zr_2SiO_4 = Zircon, Willemite (Zn_2SiO_4)
Phenacite (Be_2SiO_4)



2) Pyrosilicates :- It contains disilicate ion $(\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7)^{6-}$ as the basic unit. Two tetrahedral units are joined by the oxygen atom at one corner gives $(\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7)^{6-}$.



The oxygen atom that does not form a bridge has to pick up an e^- from metal to complete its octet.

e.g. Thortveitite $[\text{Sc}_2(\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7)]$, hemimorphite $[\text{Zn}_4(\text{OH})_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7]$

3) Chain silicates :-

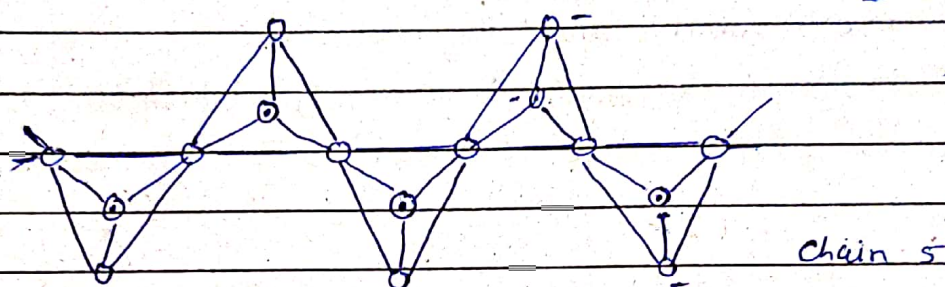
Chain silicates are of two types

- a) Simple chain silicates ② double chain silicates

a) Simple chain silicates or Pyroxenes :-

These are formed by the sharing of the two oxygen atoms of SiO_4 tetrahedra.

Linear chain silicates have formula $(\text{SiO}_3)_n^{2n-}$

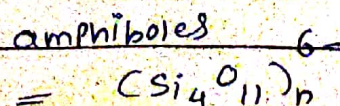
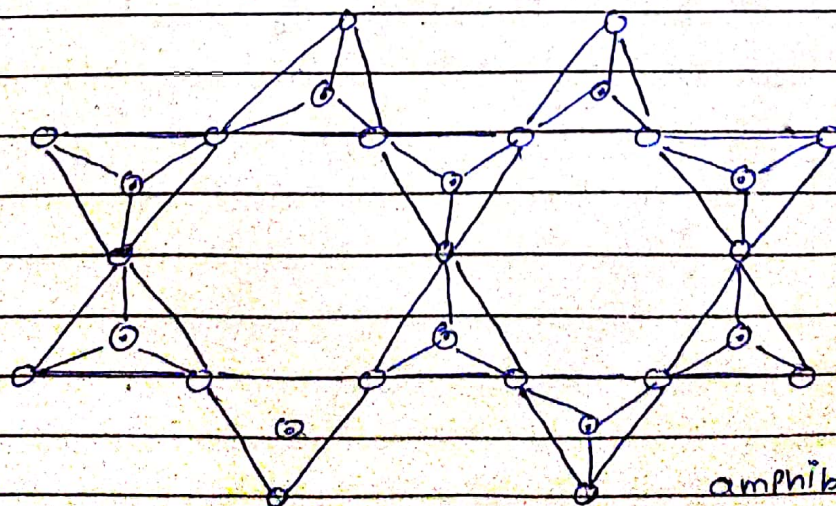
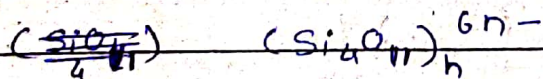


e.g. Spodumene $\text{LiAl}(\text{SiO}_3)_2$, enstatite $\text{Mg}_2[(\text{SiO}_3)_3]$
diopside $\text{CaMg}(\text{SiO}_3)_2$

b) Double chain silicates :-

- Two linear chain silicates may be linked side by side into a double chain silicate.

- If some tetrahedra share three oxygen then a double chain is observed. Double chain silicates are called as amphiboles. The general formula of double chain silicate is

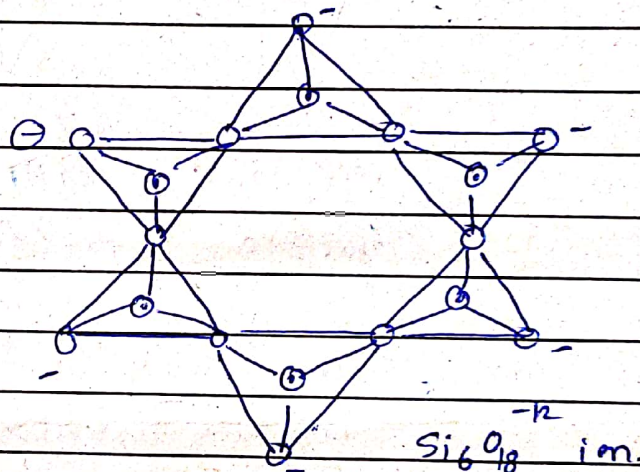
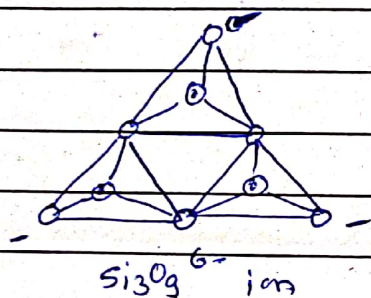


4) Cyclic Silicates:

Instead of forming long chain structures the ends of chain may join together to form cyclic silicates.

Thus cyclic silicates are formed by sharing of two oxygens per Si tetrahedron resulting in the formation of a cyclic structure.

- In this str. each silicon has 2 terminal oxygens & 2 bridging oxygens & the charge density is -2 per silicon atom
- The primary unit in this case is also $(\text{SiO}_3)^{2-}$
 - It contains 3, 4, 6 & 8 tetrahedral units are known but those with three $(\text{SiO}_3)_3^{6-}$ & six $(\text{SiO}_3)_6^{12-}$ are most common

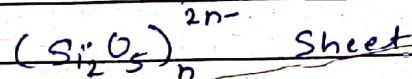
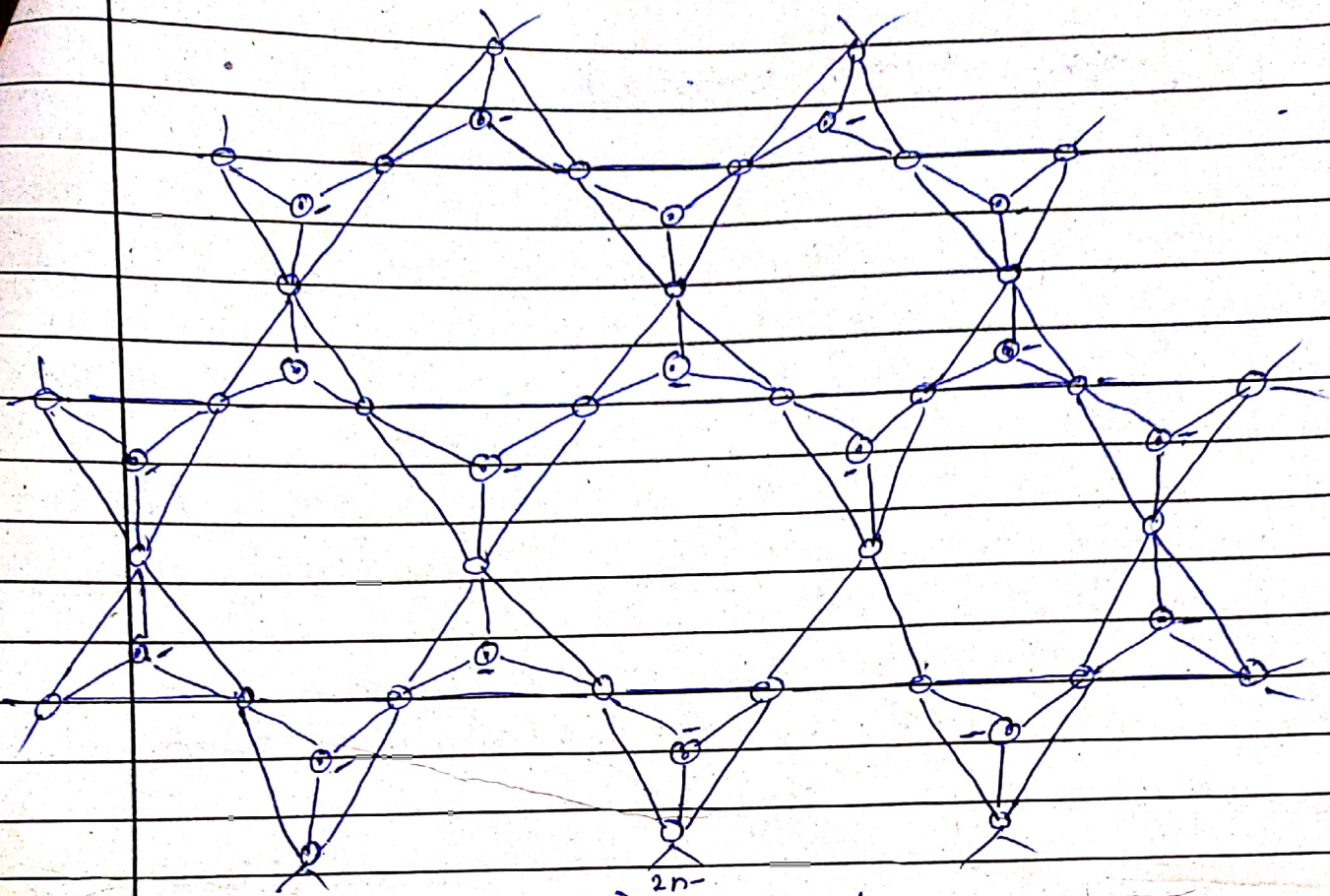


cyclic trimer ion $(\text{Si}_3\text{O}_9)^{6-}$ occurs in wallastonite $\text{Ca}_3[\text{Si}_3\text{O}_9]$ & in benitoite $\text{BaTi}(\text{Si}_3\text{O}_9)$

⑤ Sheet Silicates:- when side by side linking of linear chain silicates is continued indefinitely it forms two dimensional network of Sheet silicate.

- In sheet silicates, each SiO_4 tetrahedron shares three oxygen's with its neighbours, producing a sheet-like structure. Sheet silicates have the empirical formula $[\text{Si}_4\text{O}_{10}]_n^{4n-}$

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The oxygen atom shown around silicon atom is the one that does not form the bridge & hence carries a -ve charge - This oxygen lies below the plane of the paper.

The minerals containing sheet silicate str are
 micas - muscovite & biotite
 clay minerals - montmorillonite, kaolinite, china clay & vermiculite.

Talc - $\text{Mg}_3(\text{OH})_2\text{Si}_4\text{O}_{10}$ - it is soft & smooth.

⑥ Three dimensional silicate - Three dimensional silicate form when silicon is joined to 4 other silicon atoms via bridging oxygen gives 3-d Polymeric structure. Thus these consist of SiO_4 tetrahedra in which every oxygen is shared with an adjacent tetrahedra. Because of this sharing there is overall one Si atom for every two oxygen so the formula of these is SiO_2 .
 e.g. quartz, tridymite & cristobalite.

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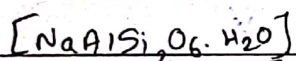
~~these contain~~ ~~added~~ ~~containing~~

These contain no metal ions, but 3-D structure can form the basis of silicate str. If there is isomorphous replacement of some of the Si^{+4} atoms by Al^{+3} plus additional metal atoms. This results in form of aluminosilicates.

- For each Si^{+4} ion replaced by an Al^{+3} , the charges must be balanced by having other +ve ions such as Na^+ , K^+ , & Ca^{2+} etc.

The typical aluminosilicates are

- (A) Feldspar (B) Zeolites (C) Ultramarines.
($KAlSi_3O_8$)



zeolite :-

microporous, aluminosilicate mineral used as adsorbents & catalyst.

zeolites are aluminosilicates that have porous structure. zeolites are found in certain rocks.

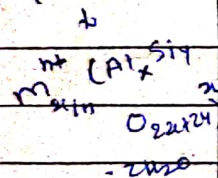
- About 40 natural zeolites are known & 150 zeolites have been synthesized.

- zeolites are formed when some of the Si^{+4} ion in 3D silicates are replaced by Al^{+3} ions.

∵ Silicon typically exists in a +4 oxidⁿ state, the $Si-O$ tetrahedra are electrically neutral.

→ However in zeolites, aluminium typically exists in the +3 oxidⁿ state so that $Al-O$ tetrahedra form centers that are electrically deficient of one e^- . Thus, zeolite frameworks are typically anionic & charged compensating cations populate the pores to maintain electrical neutrality. These cations can participate in ion-exchange processes & this yields some imp properties for zeolites.

General formula



zeolites are microporous, aluminosilicate minerals commonly used as adsorbents & catalysts.

It was first coined by Swedish mineralogist Axel Fredrik Cronstedt in 1756.

- The porous structure of zeolite can accommodate by a wide variety of cations such as Na^+ , K^+ , Ca^{2+} , Mg^{2+} & others.
- natural zeolites are formed where volcanic rocks & ash layers react with alkaline groundwater.

uses / Application:-

- ① They are widely used as ion-exchange beds in water purification, softening.
- ② ~~zeolites~~ zeolites are used to separate molecules.
(only molecules of certain size & shape can pass through)
- ③ used as catalyst & sorbents, in petrochemical ind.
- ④ used as specific separation of gases.



A semiprecious deep-blue gem lapis lazuli has been known from ancient times & is available in synthetic forms under the name ultramarine.

The Lapis Lazuli has the composition of $\text{Na}_8[(\text{AlSiO}_4)_6]\text{S}_2$ in which colour is produced by Poly sulphide ion.

The ultramarine are a group of selected compounds, that contains anions such as Cl^- , SO_4^{2-} & S_2^{2-}

e.g. Ultramarine $\text{Na}_8[(\text{AlSiO}_4)_6]\text{S}_2$

Sodalite $\text{Na}_8[(\text{AlSiO}_4)_6]\text{Cl}_2$

Nosean $\text{Na}_8[(\text{AlSiO}_4)_6]\text{SO}_4$

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Carbide :-

The compounds in which carbon is combined with elements of similar or lower electro-negativity are called as carbides.

There are three types of carbides :-

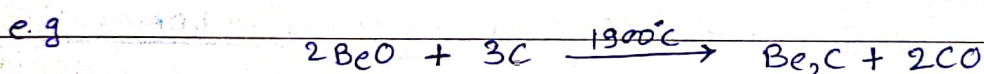
- 1) salt like carbide (saline carbide)
- 2) covalent carbide
- 3) interstitial carbide (metallic carbides)

① salt like carbide :-

These are compounds of C with more electropositive elements i.e. with metals of group I, II & III.

e.g. CaC_2 , Al_4C_3

Prepⁿ :- They are obtained by heating metal or its oxide or hydride with carbon atom in an electric arch.



Properties :- 1) They exist as transparent crystal

2) They are non-conductor of electricity in the solid state.

3) These carbides are readily hydrolysed in water yielding different hydrocarbons.

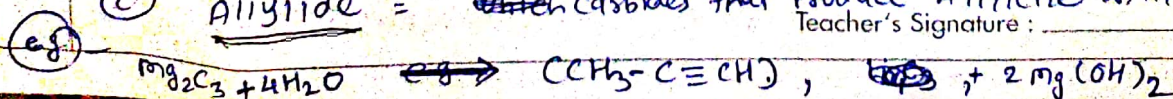
The salt like carbides are further classified according to the hydrocarbon that they produce on hydrolysis.

They are classified as :

$\text{CaC}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O} \downarrow \text{C}\equiv\text{CH} + \text{Ca(OH)}_2$ (a) Acetylides : The carbides that produce acetylene on hydrolysis are known as acetylides e.g. MgC_2 , BeC_2 , CaC_2

(b) Methanides : The carbides that produce methane on hydrolysis are known as methanides e.g. $\text{Al}_4\text{C}_3 + 12\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow 4\text{Al(OH)}_3 + 3\text{CH}_4$

(c) Alkylides = which carbides that produce alkylene on hydrolysis is called alkylides



Teacher's Signature :

2) Covalent carbides :-

carbides that contain carbon covalently bonded with the elements, which have the same electropositivity as carbon or higher value are called covalent carbides.

e.g. CH_4 , SiC , CCl_4 , B_4C .

Prepⁿ :- These carbides are prepared by direct union of the elements with carbon at high temp.

They are classified into two categories depending upon their volatility

(1st) - consist of covalent carbide which contain small discrete molecule e.g. CH_4 , CCl_4 .

~~These~~ These include carbides which are formed between carbon & H or elements of Gr. VI or Gr. VII. These carbides are either gases or volatile liquids. ~~This category consist of giant molecules.~~

~~These are~~

(II) The 2nd category consist of giant molecules by linking together of a large number of simpler units.

e.g. Boron carbide B_4C , SiC . These are thermally stable, hard & chemically inert solids.

3) Interstitial Solid :- The comp. of carbon with transition metal such as Ti, Zr, Hf etc called as interstitial carbides.
e.g. WC , Nb_2C .

Prepⁿ :- They are obtained by direct combinatⁿ of metal & carbon or by the reduction of metal oxide with carbon at high temp.

Structure :- In these, the metals retain their closed-packed lattice structure & incorporate C in octahedral interstices. C atom occupy octahedral interstices in closed packed lattice of metal atom. $\therefore$ the size of the metal atoms must be large enough to form octahedral site of sufficient size to accommodate C-atom.

Prop^r They are hard & brittle & good conductors of electricity.

Fullerene:- is an allotrope of carbon in the form of hollow, ellipsoid, tube & many other shapes

Spherical Fullerene $\rightarrow$ Buckminsterfullerenes or buckyballs

Cylindrical Fullerene $\rightarrow$ carbon nanotubes (buckytubes)

Fullerene are similar in structure to graphite which is composed of stacked graphene sheet of linked hexagonal rings.

Cylindrical $\rightarrow$ must contain Pentagonal (or sometimes heptagonal) rings.

Property : These are stable but not totally unreactive

- It shows electrophilic addition reaction.
- It is sparingly soluble in toluene, CS_2 & most of the solvents

Types : Bucky ball cluster

- Smallest member is C_{20}

2) Nanotubes - hollow tubes of very small dimension

3) megatubes - larger in diameter than nanotubes

sp^2 -hybridised

C_{2n} ($n=30-48$)

The structure of C_{60} is truncated icosahedron which resembles an association football - made up of 20 Hexagon & 12 Pentagons with C-atom at the vertices of each polygon

2 types of C-C bond length

C_{60}	=	1.48 Å & 1.38 Å
C_{70}	=	1.39 Å & 1.54 Å

Production / Preparation :- ~~Synthesis~~ vaporising graphite rod in inert atmosphere

