

# **Elements from IV A group**

## **Lecture 9**

# Main topics of the lecture

1. Overall characteristic of the elements from group IVA.
2. Carbon: natural resources, chemical properties, important compounds.
3. Silicon: natural resources, chemical properties, important compounds.
4. Metals from IVA subgroup: natural resources, chemical properties, important compounds.
5. The usage of compounds from IVA group in medicine.

# PERIODIC TABLE OF THE ELEMENTS

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PERIOD	GROUP																			
	1 IA	2 IIA	III A - VIII B										11 IB	12 IIB	13 IIIA	14 IVA	15 VA	16 VIA	17 VIIA	18 VIIIA
1	1.0079 <b>H</b> HYDROGEN																		2 4.0026 <b>He</b> HELIUM	
2	3 6.941 <b>Li</b> LITHIUM	4 9.0122 <b>Be</b> BERYLLIUM																		10 20.180 <b>Ne</b> NEON
3	11 22.990 <b>Na</b> SODIUM	12 24.305 <b>Mg</b> MAGNESIUM																		18 39.948 <b>Ar</b> ARGON
4	19 39.098 <b>K</b> POTASSIUM	20 40.078 <b>Ca</b> CALCIUM	21 44.956 <b>Sc</b> SCANDIUM	22 47.867 <b>Ti</b> TITANIUM	23 50.942 <b>V</b> VANADIUM	24 51.996 <b>Cr</b> CHROMIUM	25 54.938 <b>Mn</b> MANGANESE	26 55.845 <b>Fe</b> IRON	27 58.933 <b>Co</b> COBALT	28 58.693 <b>Ni</b> NICKEL	29 63.546 <b>Cu</b> COPPER	30 65.39 <b>Zn</b> ZINC	31 69.723 <b>Ga</b> GALLIUM	32 72.64 <b>Ge</b> GERMANIUM	33 74.922 <b>As</b> ARSENIC	34 78.96 <b>Se</b> SELENIUM	35 79.904 <b>Br</b> BROMINE	36 83.80 <b>Kr</b> KRYPTON		
5	37 85.468 <b>Rb</b> RUBIDIUM	38 87.62 <b>Sr</b> STRONTIUM	39 88.906 <b>Y</b> YTTRIUM	40 91.224 <b>Zr</b> ZIRCONIUM	41 92.906 <b>Nb</b> NIOBIUM	42 95.94 <b>Mo</b> MOLYBDENUM	43 (98) <b>Tc</b> TECHNETIUM	44 101.07 <b>Ru</b> RUTHENIUM	45 102.91 <b>Rh</b> RHODIUM	46 106.42 <b>Pd</b> PALLADIUM	47 107.87 <b>Ag</b> SILVER	48 112.41 <b>Cd</b> CADMIUM	49 114.82 <b>In</b> INDIUM	50 118.71 <b>Sn</b> TIN	51 121.76 <b>Sb</b> ANTIMONY	52 127.60 <b>Te</b> TELLURIUM	53 126.90 <b>I</b> IODINE	54 131.29 <b>Xe</b> XENON		
6	55 132.91 <b>Cs</b> CAESIUM	56 137.33 <b>Ba</b> BARIUM	57-71 <b>La-Lu</b> Lanthanide	72 178.49 <b>Hf</b> HAFNIUM	73 180.95 <b>Ta</b> TANTALUM	74 183.84 <b>W</b> TUNGSTEN	75 186.21 <b>Re</b> RHENIUM	76 190.23 <b>Os</b> OSMIUM	77 192.22 <b>Ir</b> IRIDIUM	78 195.08 <b>Pt</b> PLATINUM	79 196.97 <b>Au</b> GOLD	80 200.59 <b>Hg</b> MERCURY	81 204.38 <b>Tl</b> THALLIUM	82 207.2 <b>Pb</b> LEAD	83 208.98 <b>Bi</b> BISMUTH	84 (209) <b>Po</b> POLONIUM	85 (210) <b>At</b> ASTATINE	86 (222) <b>Rn</b> RADON		
7	87 (223) <b>Fr</b> FRANCIUM	88 (226) <b>Ra</b> RADIUM	89-103 <b>Ac-Lr</b> Actinide	104 (261) <b>Rf</b> RUTHERFORDIUM	105 (262) <b>Db</b> DUBNIUM	106 (266) <b>Sg</b> SEABORGIUM	107 (264) <b>Bh</b> BOHRIUM	108 (277) <b>Hs</b> HASSIUM	109 (268) <b>Mt</b> MEITNERIUM	110 (281) <b>Uun</b> UNUNNIUM	111 (272) <b>Uuu</b> UNUNUNIUM	112 (285) <b>Uub</b> UNUNBIUM	113 (284) <b>Uut</b> UNUNTRIUM	114 (289) <b>Uuq</b> UNUNQUADIUM	115 (288) <b>Uuq</b> UNUNQUADIUM	116 (289) <b>Uuq</b> UNUNQUADIUM	117 (289) <b>Uuq</b> UNUNQUADIUM	118 (289) <b>Uuq</b> UNUNQUADIUM		

RELATIVE ATOMIC MASS (1)

GROUP IUPAC

GROUP CAS

ATOMIC NUMBER

SYMBOL

ELEMENT NAME

■ Metal    ■ Semimetal    ■ Nonmetal  
1 Alkali metal    16 Chalcogens element  
2 Alkaline earth metal    17 Halogens element  
■ Transition metals    18 Noble gas  
■ Lanthanide    ■ Actinide  
■ STANDARD STATE (25 °C; 101 kPa)  
■ Ne - gas    ■ Fe - solid  
■ Ga - liquid    ■ Tc - synthetic

(1) Pure Appl. Chem., 73, No. 4, 667-683 (2001)

Relative atomic mass is shown with five significant figures. For elements with no stable nuclides, the value enclosed in brackets indicates the mass number of the longest-lived isotope of the element.

However three such elements (Th, Pa, and U) do have a characteristic terrestrial isotopic composition, and for these an atomic weight is tabulated.

## LANTHANIDE

57 138.91 <b>La</b> LANTHANUM	58 140.12 <b>Ce</b> CERIUM	59 140.91 <b>Pr</b> PRASEODYMIUM	60 144.24 <b>Nd</b> NEODYMIUM	61 (145) <b>Pm</b> PROMETHIUM	62 150.36 <b>Sm</b> SAMARIUM	63 151.96 <b>Eu</b> EUROPIUM	64 157.25 <b>Gd</b> GADOLINIUM	65 158.93 <b>Tb</b> TERBIUM	66 162.50 <b>Dy</b> DYSPROSIUM	67 164.93 <b>Ho</b> HOLMIUM	68 167.26 <b>Er</b> ERBIUM	69 168.93 <b>Tm</b> THULIUM	70 173.04 <b>Yb</b> YTTERIUM	71 174.97 <b>Lu</b> LUTETIUM
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## ACTINIDE

89 (227) <b>Ac</b> ACTINIUM	90 232.04 <b>Th</b> THORIUM	91 231.04 <b>Pa</b> PROTACTINIUM	92 238.03 <b>U</b> URANIUM	93 (237) <b>Np</b> NEPTUNIUM	94 (244) <b>Pu</b> PLUTONIUM	95 (243) <b>Am</b> AMERICIUM	96 (247) <b>Cm</b> CURIUM	97 (247) <b>Bk</b> BERKELIUM	98 (251) <b>Cf</b> CALIFORNIUM	99 (252) <b>Es</b> EINSTEINIUM	100 (257) <b>Fm</b> FERMIUM	101 (258) <b>Md</b> MENDELEVIUM	102 (259) <b>No</b> NOBELIUM	103 (262) <b>Lr</b> LAWRENCIUM
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# Overall characteristic of elements from IVA group

	Mass % in the Earth crust	Metallic properties	The type of crystal lattice	Electron configuration	Radius, nm	Electronegativity	Oxidation states
<b>C</b>	0.48	Nonmetal	Atomic	...2s <sup>2</sup> 2p <sup>2</sup>	0.077	2.50	<b>+4, +2, -4</b>
<b>Si</b>	27.6	Nonmetal	Atomic	...3s <sup>2</sup> 3p <sup>2</sup> 3d <sup>0</sup>	0.134	1.74	+4, +2, -4
<b>Ge</b>	7.0·10 <sup>-4</sup>	Metalloid	Atomic	...3d <sup>10</sup> <u>4s<sup>2</sup>4p<sup>2</sup>4d<sup>0</sup></u>	0.139	<b>2.02</b>	<b>+4, +2, -4</b>
<b>Sn</b>	8.0·10 <sup>-3</sup>	Metal	Metallic or atomic	...4d <sup>10</sup> <u>5s<sup>2</sup>5p<sup>2</sup>5d<sup>0</sup></u>	0.158	1.72	<b>+4, +2</b>
<b>Pb</b>	1.6·10 <sup>-3</sup>	Metal	metallic	...4f <sup>14</sup> 5d <sup>10</sup> <u>6s<sup>2</sup>6p<sup>2</sup>6d<sup>0</sup></u>	0.175	1.55	<b>+4, +2</b>

# Natural resources of carbon

**CO<sub>2</sub>;**

**Living organisms;**

**Oil, gas, and coal;**

**Minerals (carbonates):**

**limestone – CaCO<sub>3</sub>,**

**dolomite – (CaMg)(CO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>;**

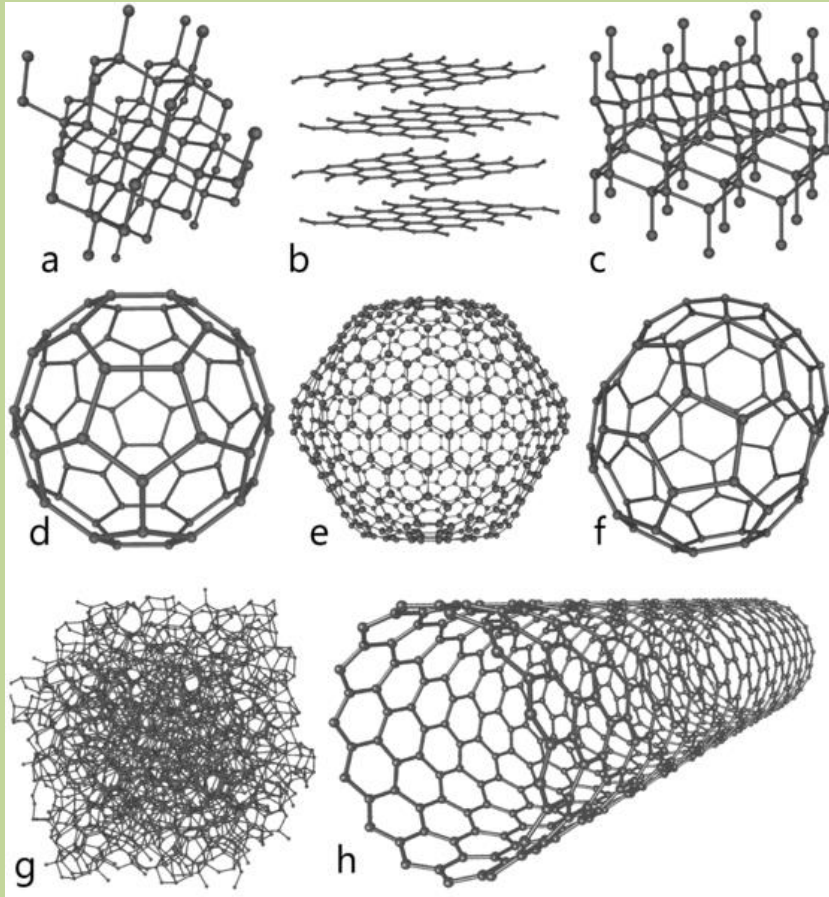
**As a pure chemical element:**

**diamond;**

**graphite.**



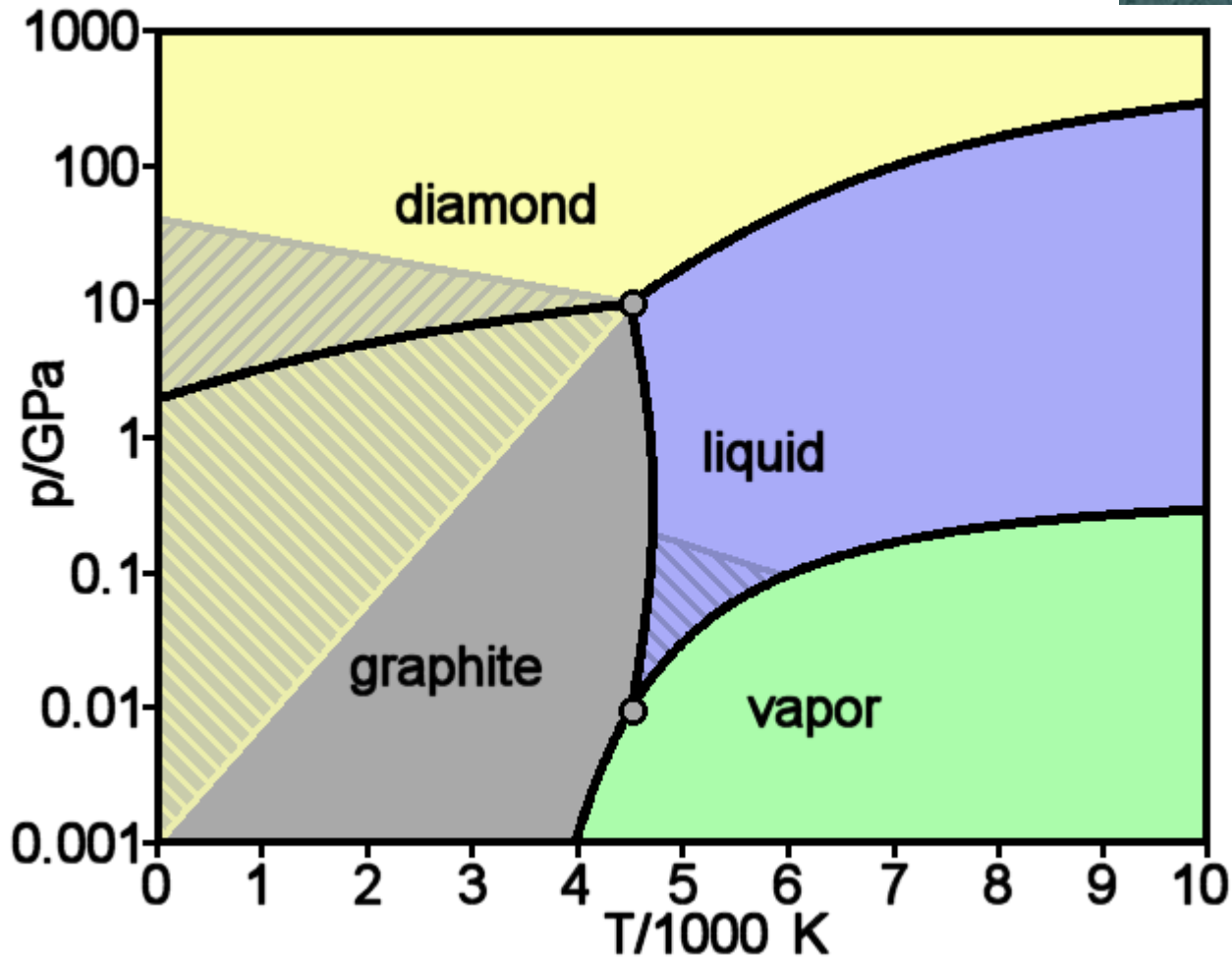
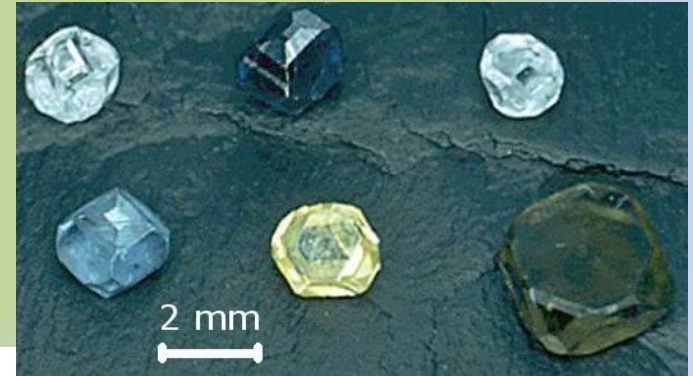
# Crystal lattices of different allotropes of carbon



- a. Diamond
- b. Graphite
- c. Lonsdaleite
- d, e, f. Fullerenes
- g. Amorphous carbon
- h. Nanotube

Amorphous carbon may be different:  
*soot, coal, burnt wood.*

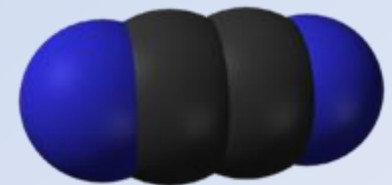
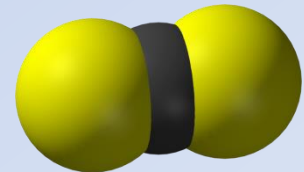
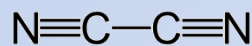
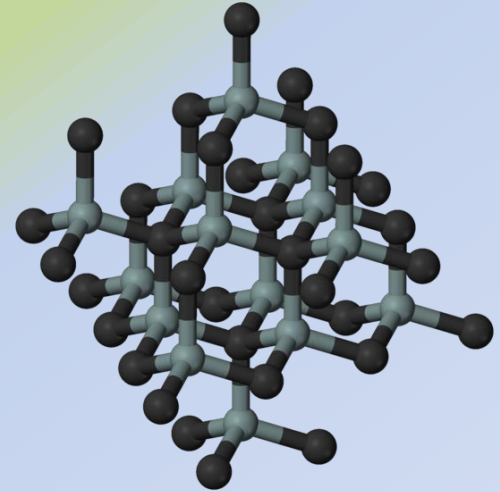
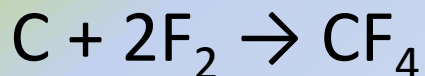
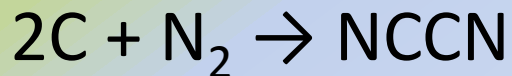
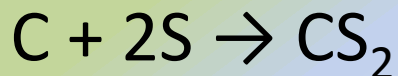
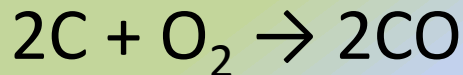
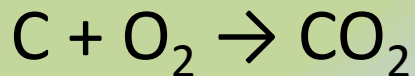
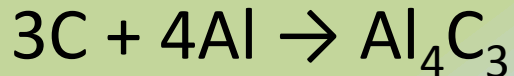
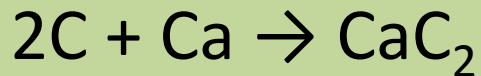
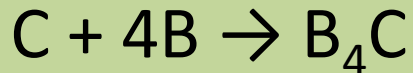
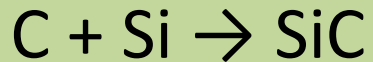
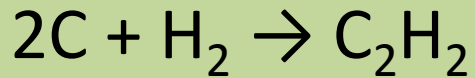
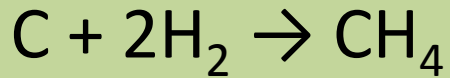
# Phase diagram of carbon



# Chemical properties of carbon

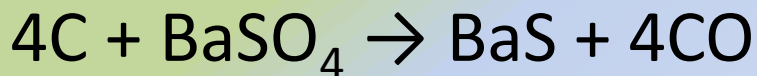
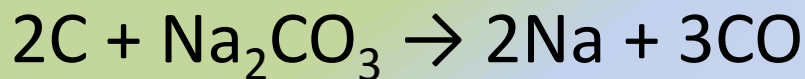
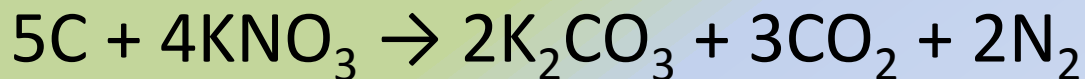
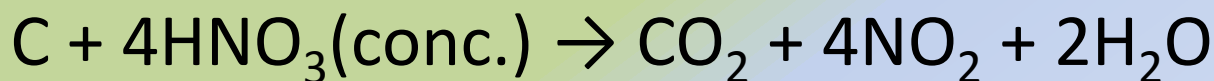
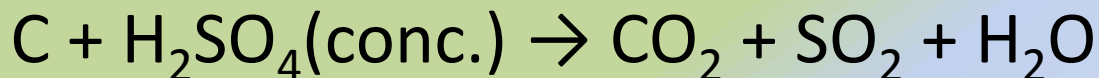
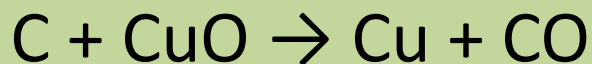
In normal conditions all the allotropes of carbon are quite inert.

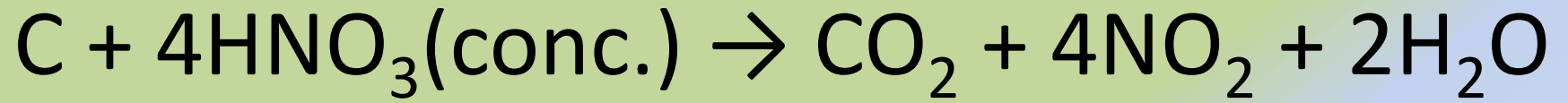
At high temperature the most active form of carbon is amorphous carbon



# Chemical properties of carbon

Amorphous carbon reacts with metal oxides, concentrated oxidizing acids, and even some salts



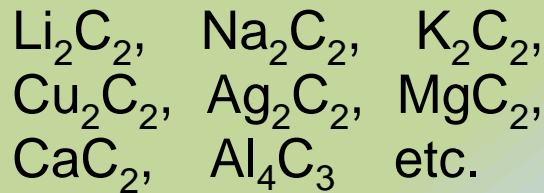


*Binary compounds of carbon with less electronegative elements are known as:*

# Carbides

(according to the type of chemical bonds)

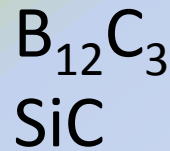
Ionic  
(salt-like)



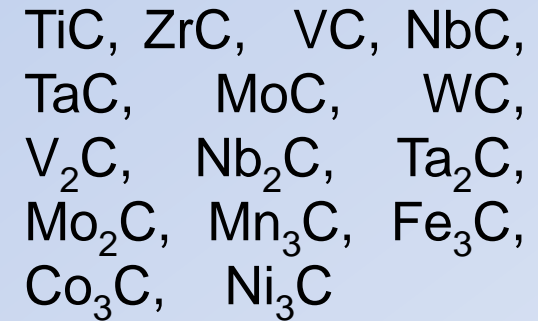
Methanides  $(\text{C})^{4-}$

Acetylides  $(\text{C}_2)^{2-}$

Covalent



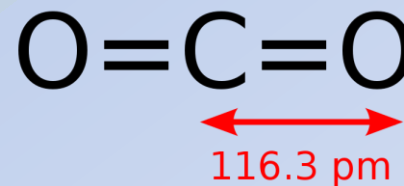
Metal-like



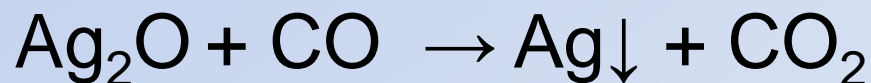
Nonstoichiometric

# Carbon monoxide

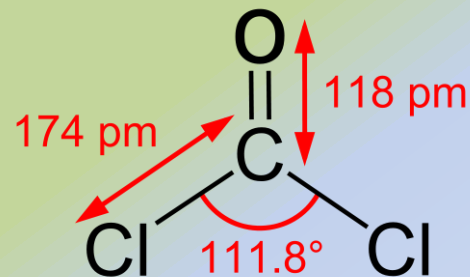
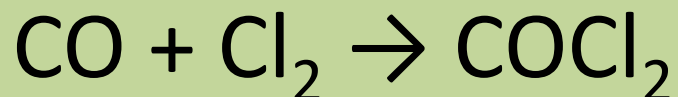
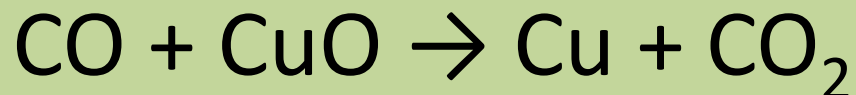
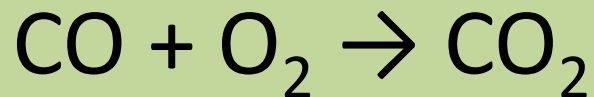
$\text{Hb}\cdot\text{O}_2 + \text{CO} \leftrightarrow \text{Hb}\cdot\text{CO} + \text{O}_2$  stops the transport of  $\text{O}_2$  by hemoglobin



- CO is a stable molecule
- that can be a ligand in carbonyles
- and cannot form salts
- but can participate in redox reactions
- mostly as a reducer

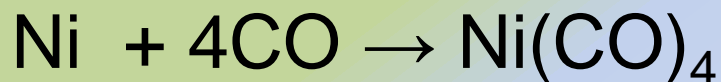


CO as a reducer:

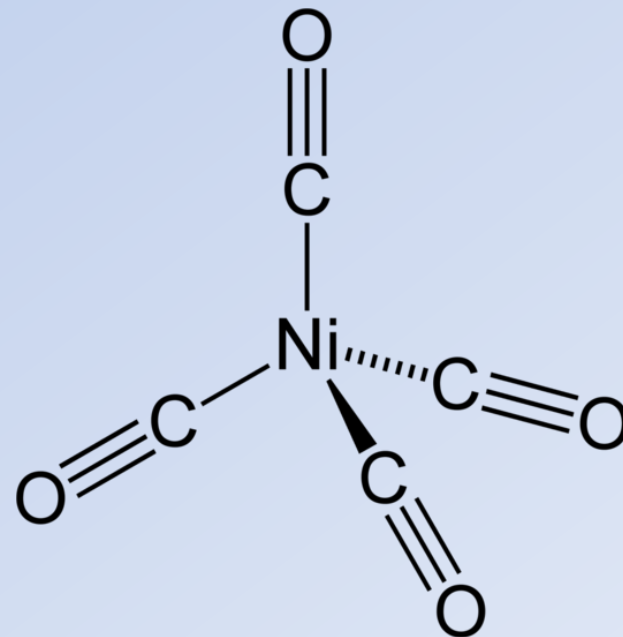
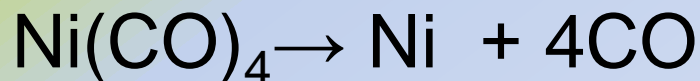


*phosgene*

**Carbonyles of metals:**

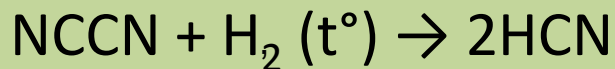


Carbonyles are instable:

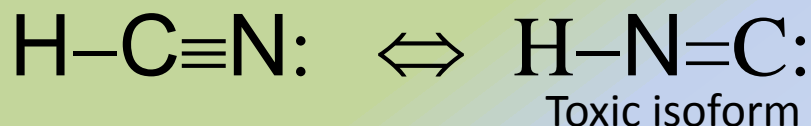
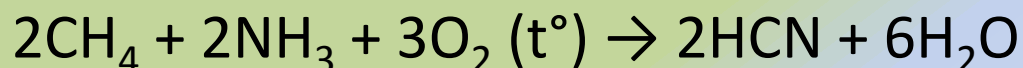


# Prussic acid = hydrogen cyanide

colorless volatile liquid ( $t_{\text{boiling}} = 26.5\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) with the flavor of almond. It is one of the most venomous poisons. A lethal dosage is just 50 mg.



In industry it is produced in the following way:



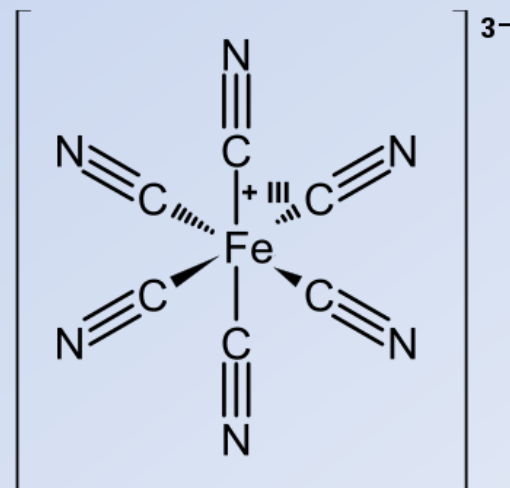
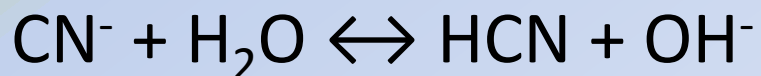
*Toxic isoform of hydrogen cyanide binds cytochrome C oxidase and breaks down the process of oxidative phosphorylation in mitochondria.*

Water solution of HCN is known as prussic acid:

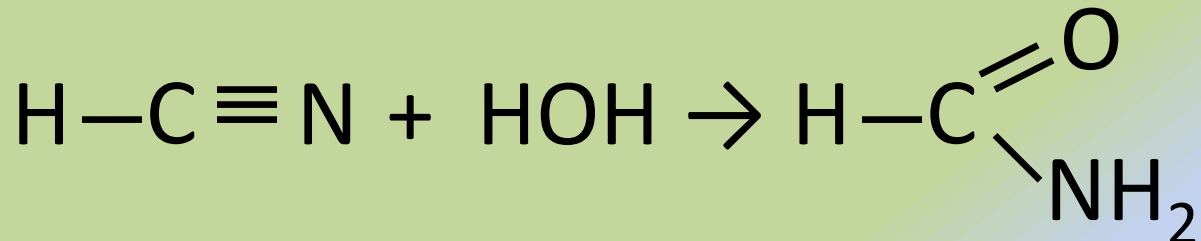


$$K_a \approx 10^{-10}$$

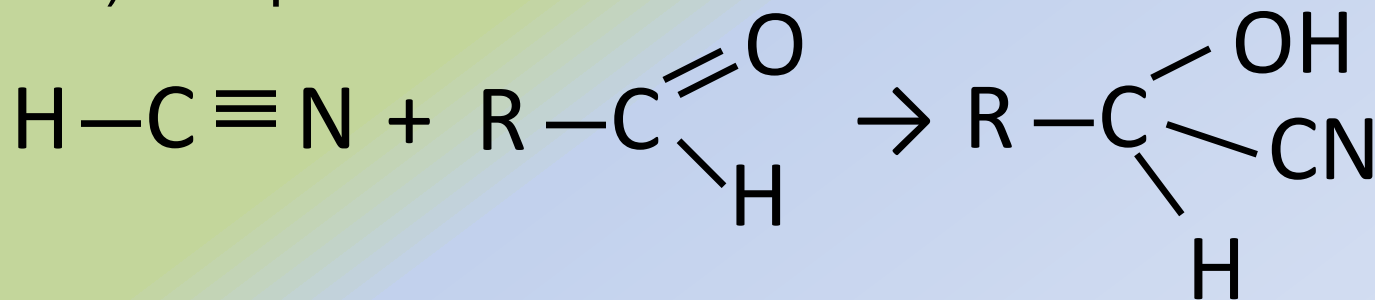
Salts of this acid are hydrolyzed



In water solution of hydrogen cyanide a reaction of electrophilic addition proceeds slowly. Amid of formic acid is formed as a product of that reaction:

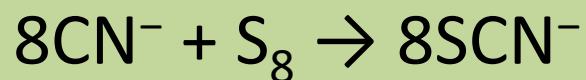


Cyanhydrates are formed in the reaction between aldehydes (or ketones) and prussic acid:

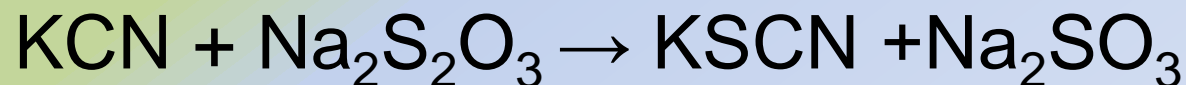


Since cyanhydrates are much less toxic (there is no more lone pair of electrons on carbon), glucose acts as an antidote for prussic acid.

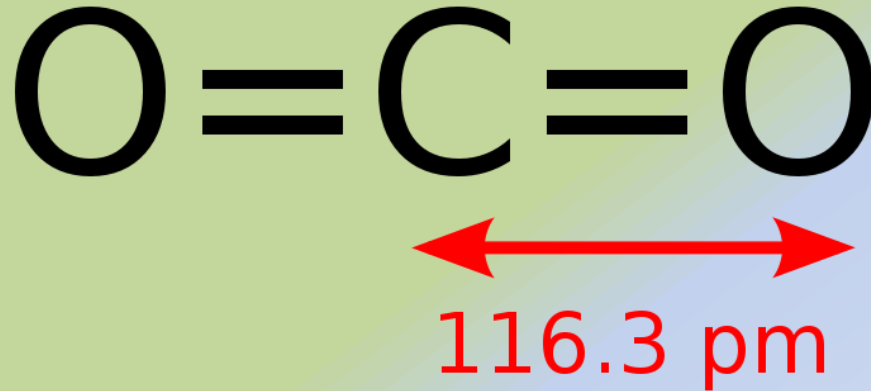
Thiocyanates:



Sodium thiosulfate can be used as an antidote against cyanides :



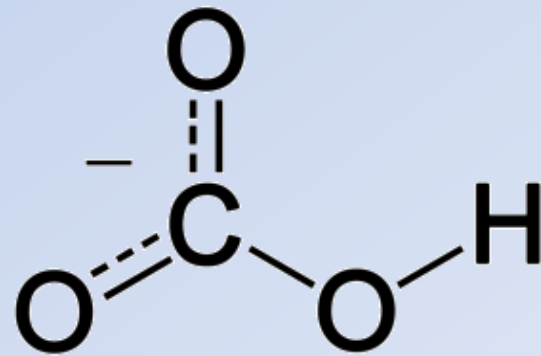
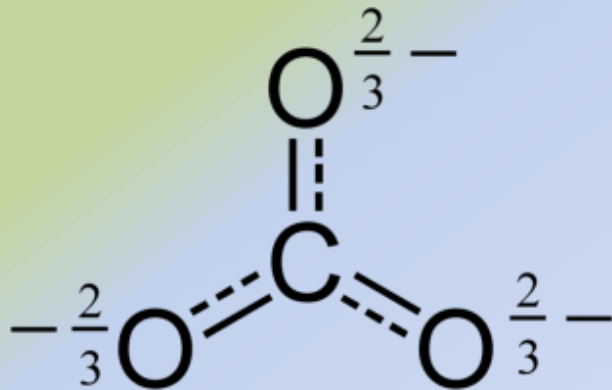
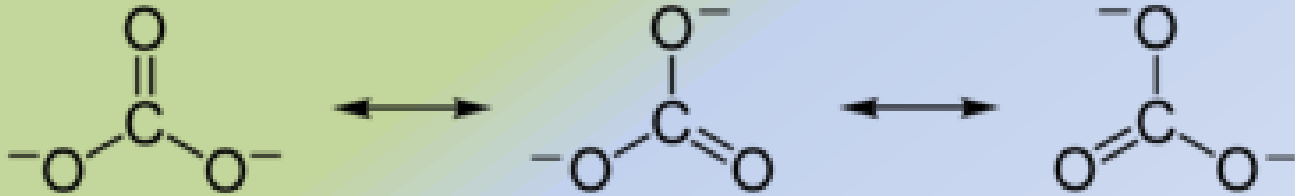
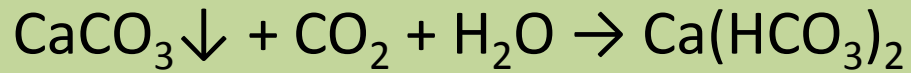
# Carbon dioxide CO<sub>2</sub>



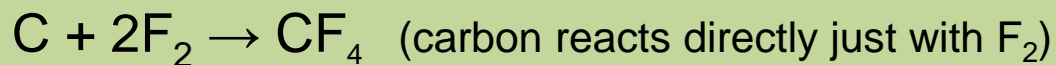
Molecules of CO<sub>2</sub> are nonpolar, and so their solubility in water is low. At 25°C its solubility in water is about 0.03 mol/L. The process of carbon dioxide dissolving in water has a chemical mechanism as well:



## Carbonates. Bicarbonates.



# Compounds of halogens and carbon (carbon halides)



**CF<sub>4</sub>** is an inert gas ( $t_{\text{boiling}} = -128^\circ\text{C}$ ). It cannot react neither with acids, nor with bases. This is one of the reasons why **CF<sub>4</sub>** and similar compounds (**CF<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>** with  $t_{\text{melting}} = -155^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $t_{\text{boiling}} = -30^\circ\text{C}$ ) are used as freons in refrigerators.

Chloroform (**CHCl<sub>3</sub>**) is used as a solvent and anesthetic, iodoform (**CHI<sub>3</sub>**) is used as antiseptic.

# Silicon

There are more than 400 minerals of silicon, while the basic motif in those minerals is silicon dioxide ( $\text{SiO}_2$ ).

Quartz



Sand

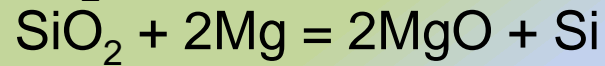


Silicon (with  
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and manganese  
oxides)

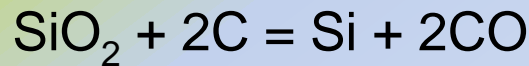


# Production of silicon:

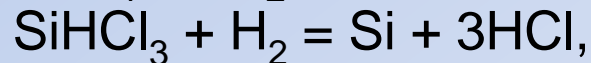
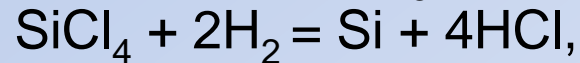
1. In the laboratory silicon can be produced by the way of silicon dioxide ( $\text{SiO}_2$ ) reduction by magnesium:



2. In the industry silicon dioxide is reduced by carbon in the electric oven:

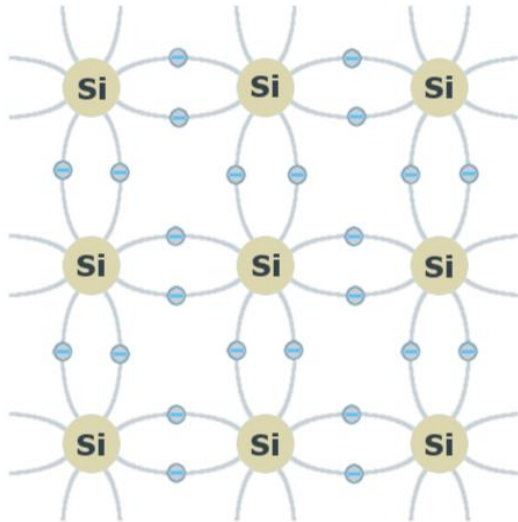


3. High purity silicon (semiconductor) is produced by the reduction of  $\text{SiCl}_4$  and  $\text{SiHCl}_3$  by hydrogen:

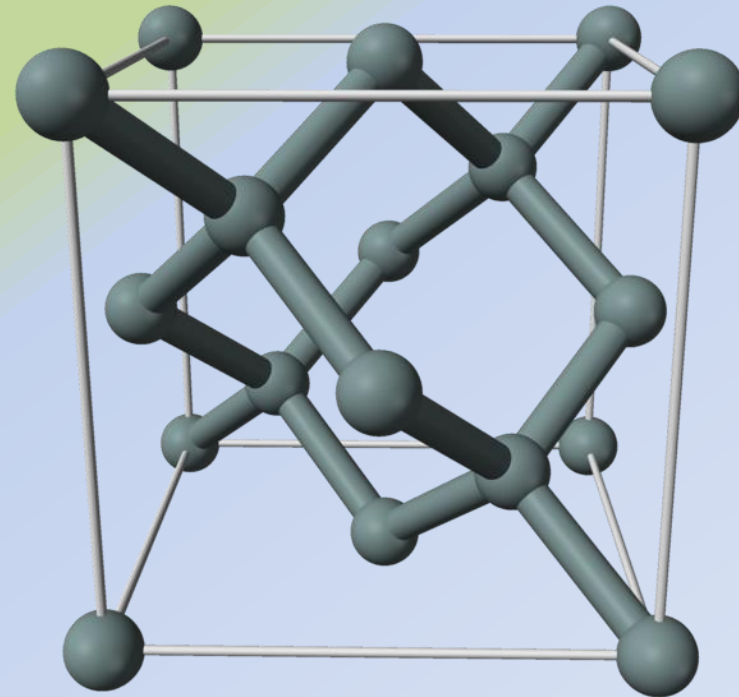


as well as by the thermal decomposition of silane:





- $t_{\text{boiling}} = 1415^{\circ}\text{C}$
- hard
- fragile
- semiconductor

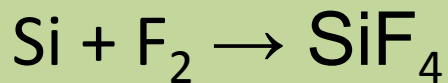


(diamond-like lattice)

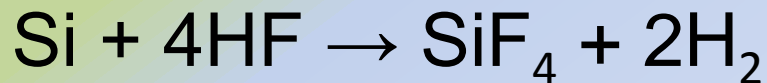
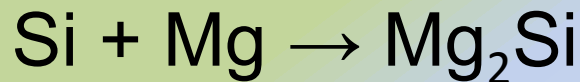
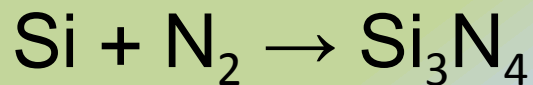
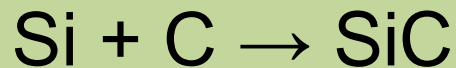
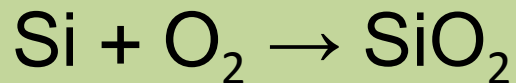
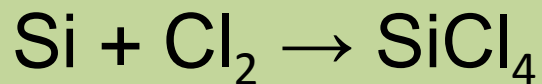
Graphite-like lattice of silicon is very instable

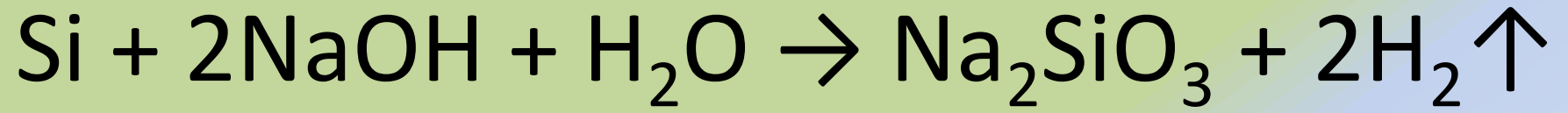
# Chemical properties of silicon

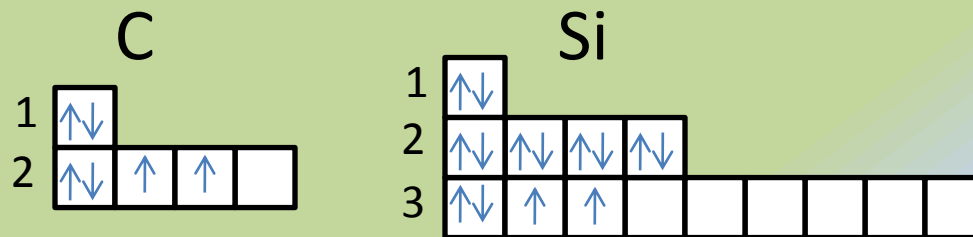
At normal temperature it reacts just with fluorine:



At high temperature:

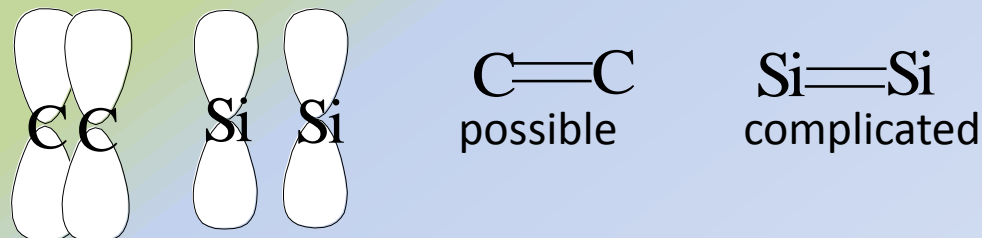




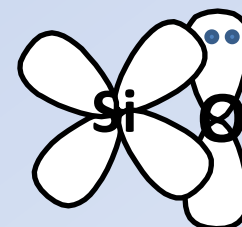


## The differences between Si and C:

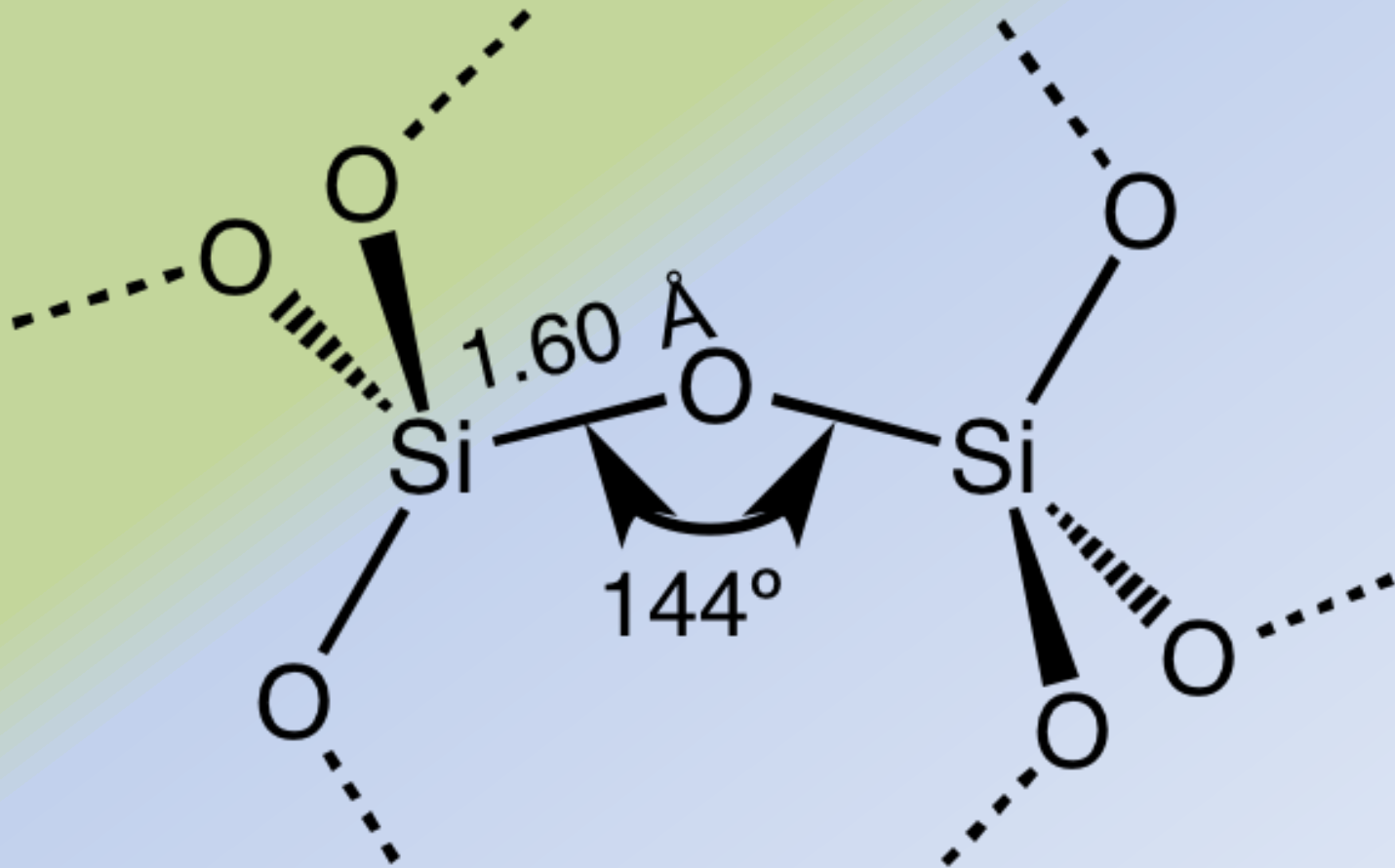
1.  $r(\text{Si}) > r(\text{C})$ , the formation of  $\pi$  – bonds by p-electrons of in Si is complicated by the bigger radius of the atom



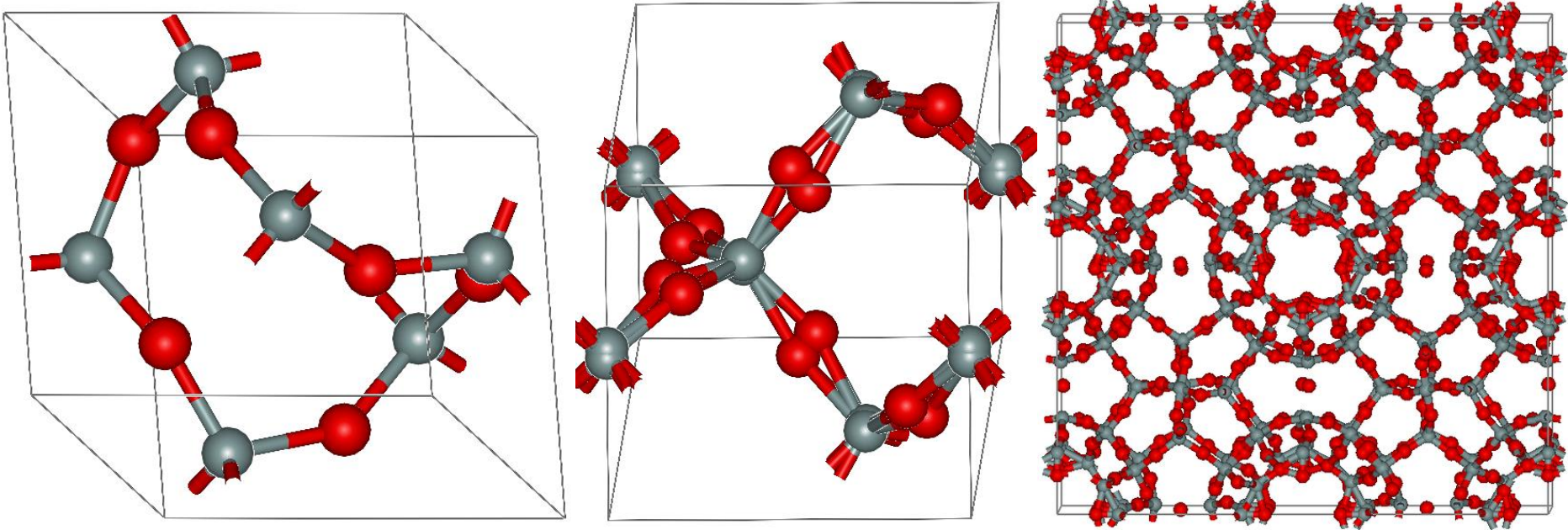
2. However, vacant d-orbitals may form of Si may form  $\pi$  – bonds with lone pairs of electrons on orbitals of O, N and Cl.



The bonds between silicon and oxygen in silicon dioxide are strong because of the stabilization by dative  $\pi$  – bonds

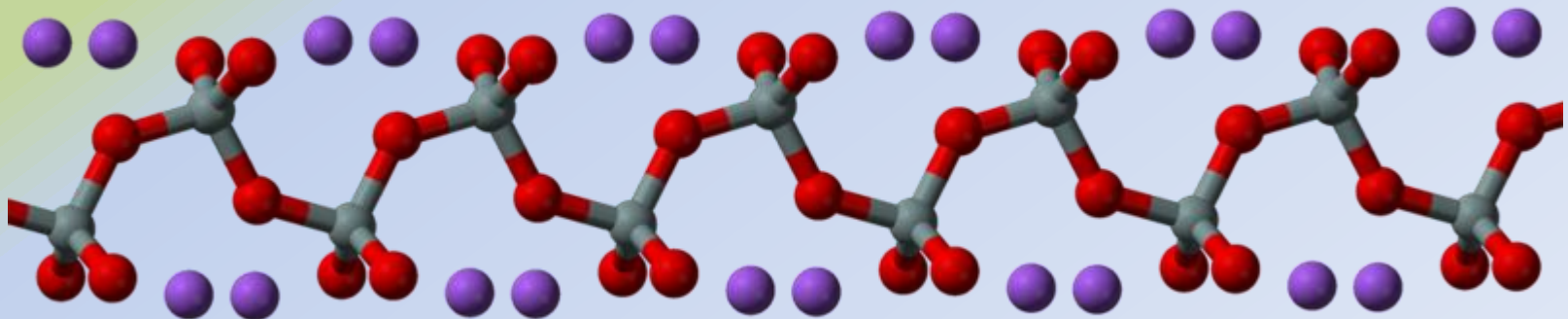


$\text{SiO}_2$  has many polymorphic variants

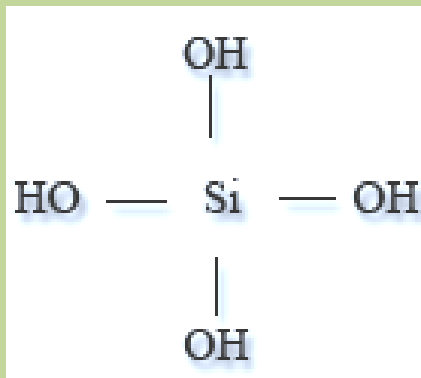
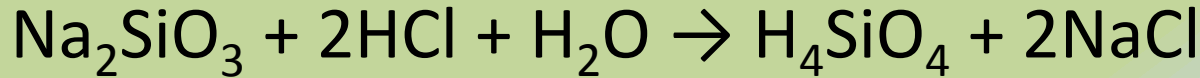


# Oxygen containing compounds of silicon

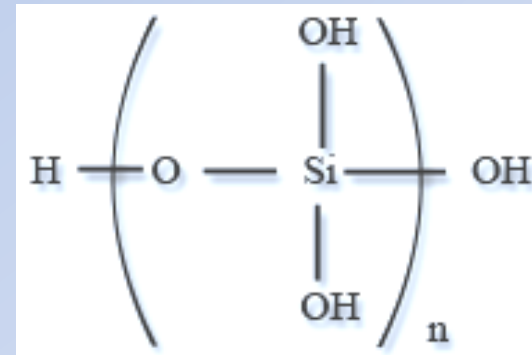
- SiO;
- SiO<sub>2</sub> – is a compound with atomic crystal lattice (SiO<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>;
- H<sub>2</sub>SiO<sub>3</sub> – is better described by mSiO<sub>2</sub>·nH<sub>2</sub>O;
- Silicates are salts of silicic acid



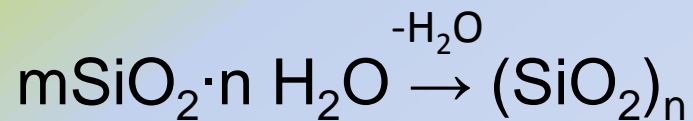
# Silicic acid(s) - $m\text{SiO}_2 \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O}$



polycondensation



Silicic acid (silanol) exists in the water solution upon precipitate of silicagel

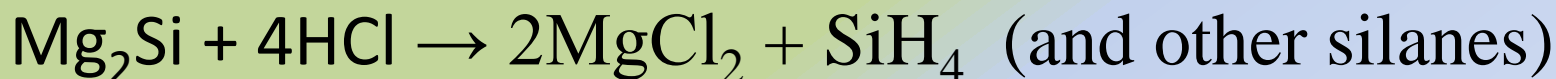


Silicagel is a well-known adsorbent

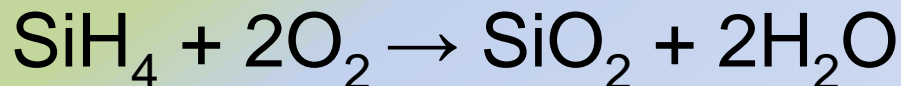
# Production of silicic acid

# $\text{Si}_n\text{H}_{2n+2}$ Silanes

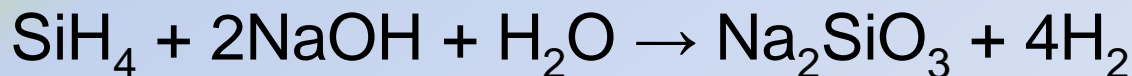
Silicon hydrides are a family of compounds with formulas from  $\text{SiH}_4$  until  $\text{Si}_8\text{H}_{18}$ . Higher silanes are less stable than  $\text{SiH}_4$  and  $\text{Si}_2\text{H}_6$ .



All silanes are strong reducers and they are burning spontaneously in the open air immediately after their formation:

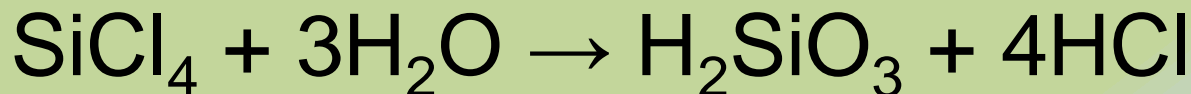


Silanes are relatively stable in neutral and acidic solutions, while they are easily hydrolyzed in the basic medium:

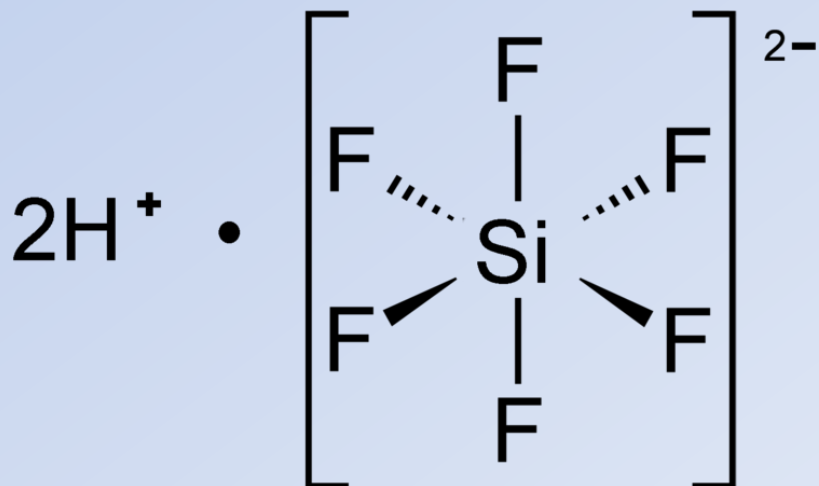
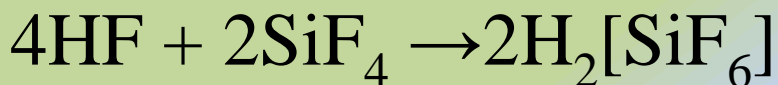
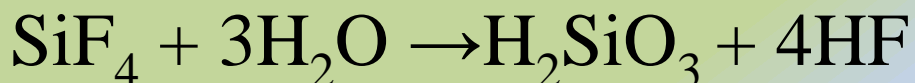


# Production of silanes

# Silicon halides



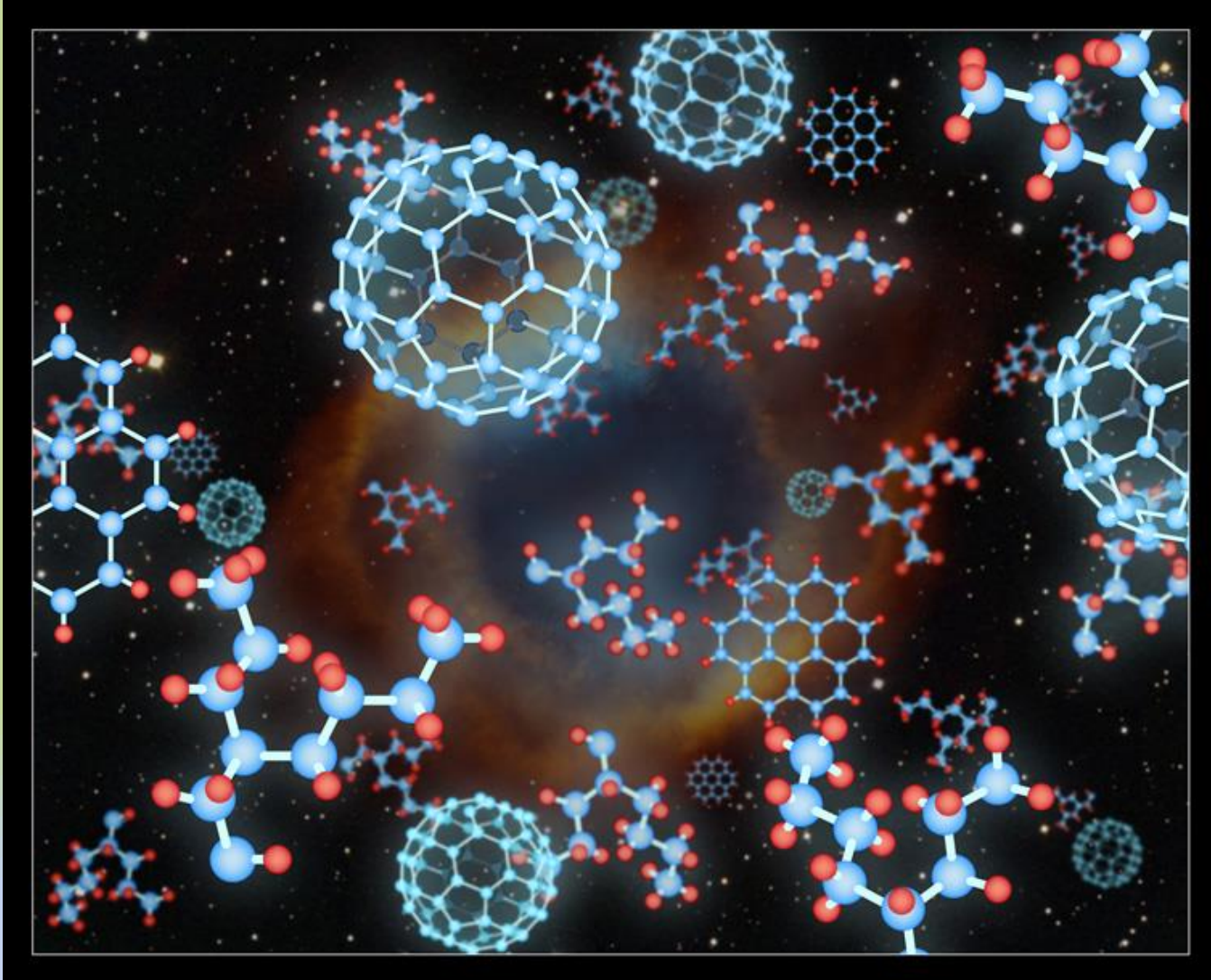
Hydrolysis of  $\text{SiF}_4$  has two steps:



# Why carbon ???

- The number of valence electrons is exactly the same as the number of valence orbitals in carbon (there are no empty orbitals and lone pairs of electrons)
- Carbon can form single, double, triple and aromatic bonds
- Partially negative charge exists on the carbon atom, and not on the hydrogen atom (electrons are “shielded” by protons of hydrogen atoms)
- Hydrocarbons have no acidic or basic properties

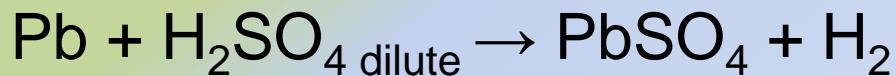
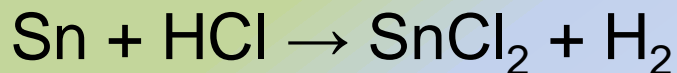
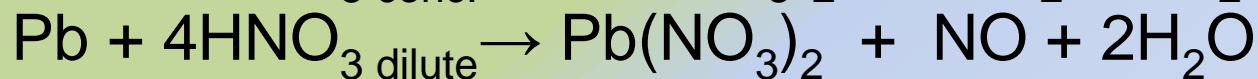
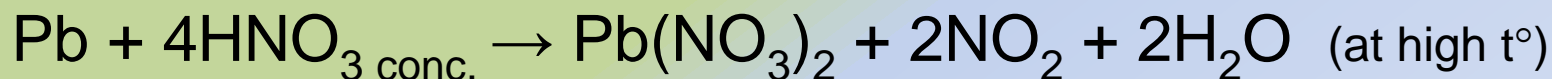
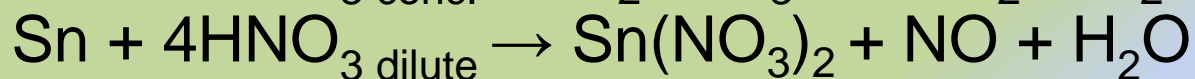
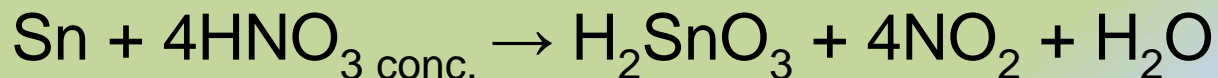
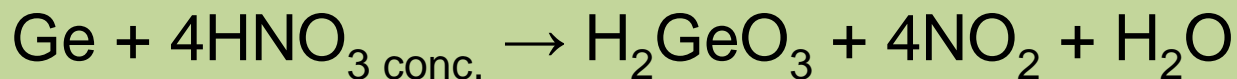
Fullerenes are found in the outer space



# Elements from “germanium family”

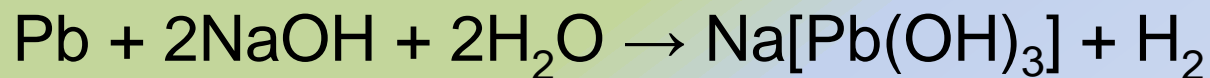
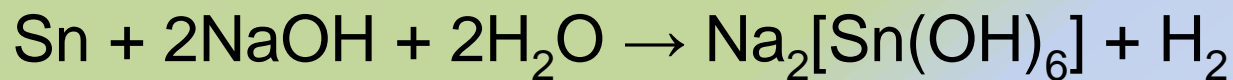
1. At room temperature Ge and Sn are resistant to oxygen, while Pb is slowly covered by a thin oxide layer.
2. At high temperature they form corresponding oxides:  $\text{GeO}_2$ ,  $\text{SnO}_2$ , and  $\text{PbO}$ .
3. They react with halogens:  $\text{GeX}_4$ ,  $\text{SnX}_4$ ,  $\text{PbX}_2$
4. They form sulfides:  $\text{GeS}$  or  $\text{GeS}_2$ ,  $\text{SnS}$  or  $\text{SnS}_2$ , and  $\text{PbS}$ .
5. Metals from germanium family cannot react with hydrogen, carbon and nitrogen.

## Reactions with acids:



## Reactions with alkalis:

Ge can react with alkalis only in the presence of oxidizers



# Compounds with halogens $EHal_4$

Cannot form salts

$GeF_4$  - gas

$GeCl_4$  - liquid

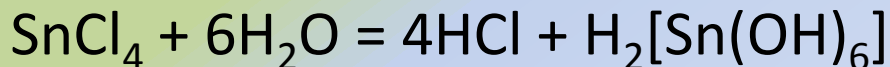
$SnCl_4$  - liquid

$PbCl_4$  - liquid

$SnBr_4$  - solid

$GeI_4$  - solid

1. These compounds are hydrolyzed:



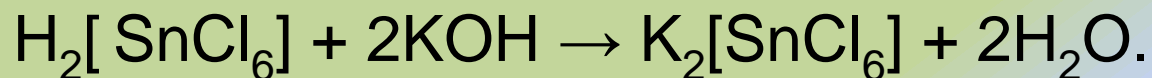
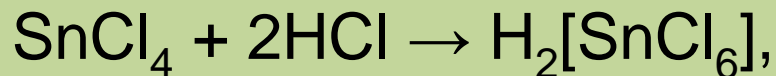
2. They also participate in complexation reactions:



*Both properties are the result of free orbitals existence*

$PbCl_4$  is instable and decomposes in the presence of water by the mechanism of “intramolecular” redox reaction:

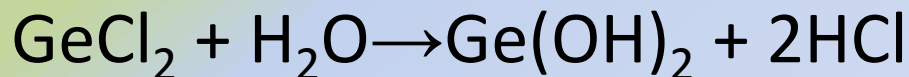
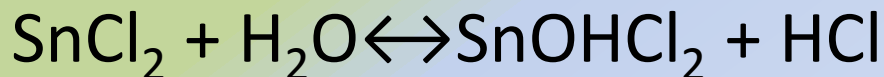




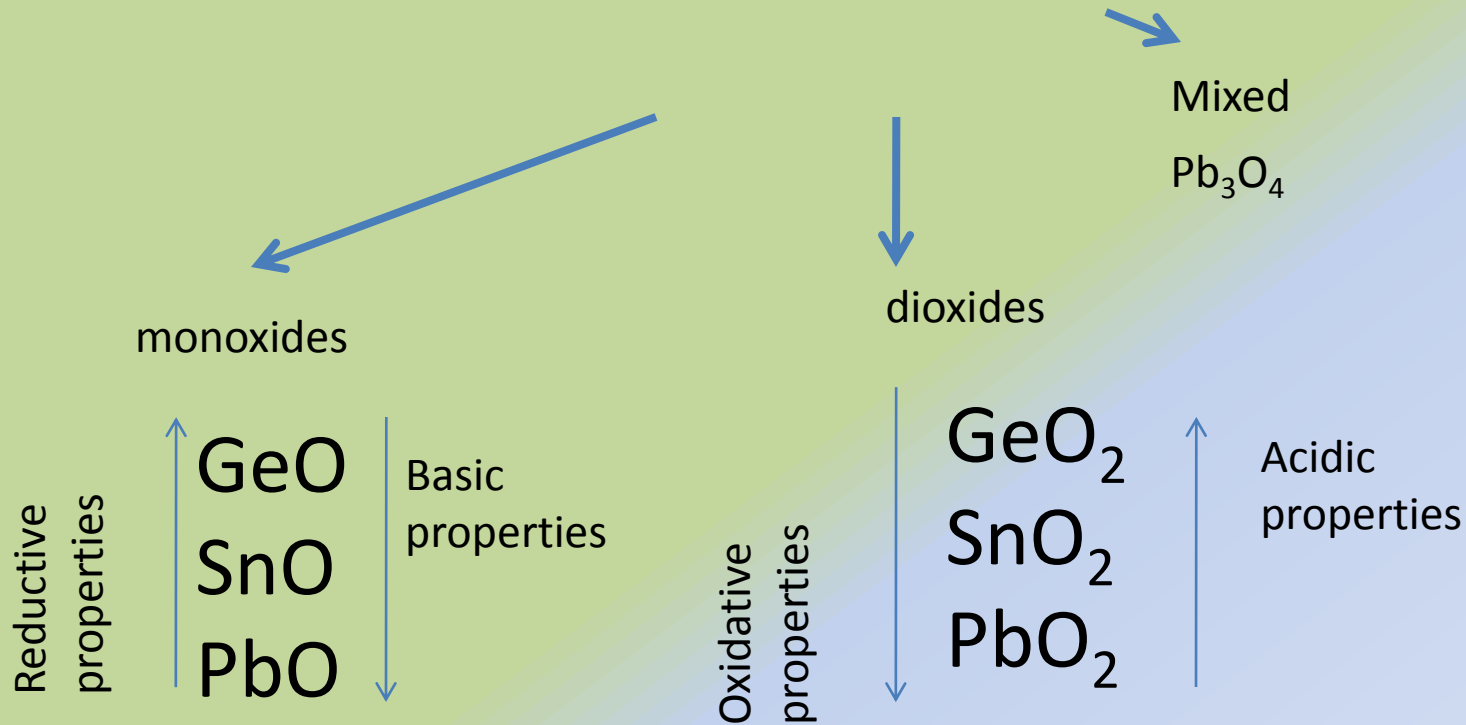
**Compounds of halogens with a formula like  $E\text{Hal}_2$  are typical salts**

They are hydrolyzed in water solutions.

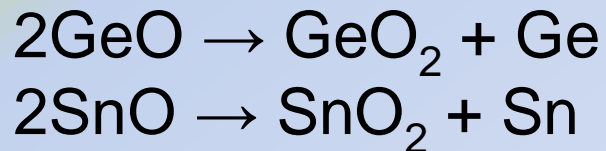
$\text{GeHal}_2$  salts are hydrolyzed completely



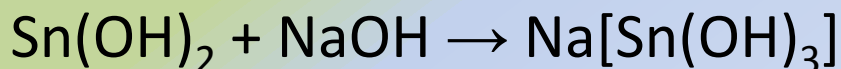
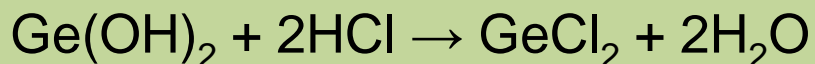
# Oxides



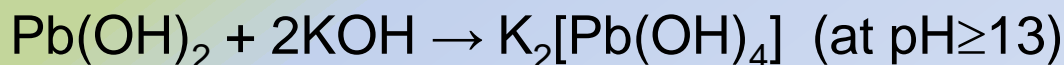
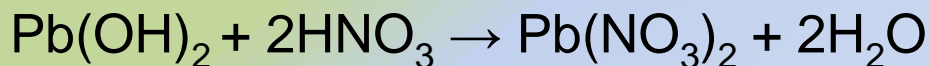
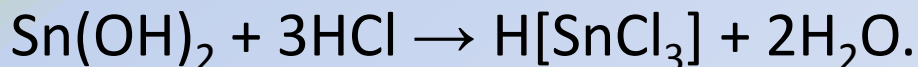
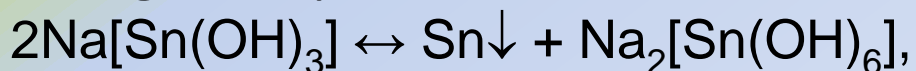
**GeO and SnO, in contrast to PbO, disproportionate at high temperature:**



# Hydroxides of Ge, Sn and Pb in the oxidation state of +2 ( $x\text{MeO}\cdot y\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ) are amphoteric.

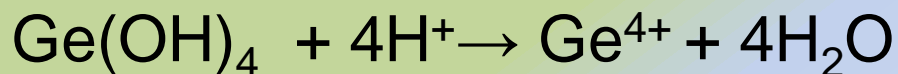
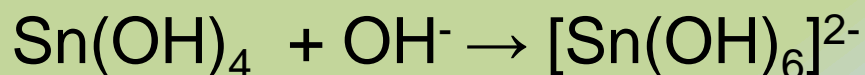


At high temperature:

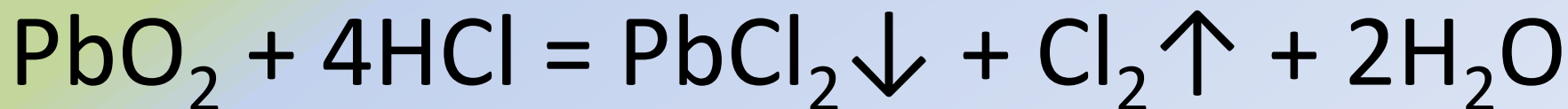


**Hydroxides of Ge and Sn in the oxidation state of +4 ( $x\text{MeO}_2 \cdot y\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ) are also amphoteric.**

( $x\text{PbO}_2 \cdot y\text{H}_2\text{O}$  are unknown)



Compounds with  $\text{Pb}^{+4}$  are strong oxidizers!



# The usage of compounds of elements from IVA group in medicine

Activated coal

$\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$ ,  $\text{CaCO}_3$ ,  $\text{NaHCO}_3$

Fullerenes

Isotopes of carbon

Silicon implants and silicon containing lenses.

Sielast is used in dentistry

$\text{Pb}(\text{CH}_3\text{COO})_2$  – lead acetate (defrutum).

$\text{PbO}$  - is a component of «diachilic oitment».

**Thank you for listening!**