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General characteristics of halogens. Halogen compounds

Position in the periodic system of chemical elements

• Halogens are located in the **main subgroup of group VII** (or group 17 in the modern form of the ETS) of the periodic system of chemical elements by D.I. Mendeleev.

The electronic structure of halogens

- The electronic configuration of the halogens in the ground state corresponds to the formula ns np²⁵.
- For example, the electronic configuration of fluoric $^{+9F \ 1s^2 2s^2 2p^5}$ 1s $\uparrow \downarrow$ 2s $\uparrow \downarrow$ 2p $\uparrow \downarrow \uparrow \downarrow \uparrow \uparrow$
- Halogen atoms contain 1 unpaired electron on the outer energy level and three unpaired electron pairs in the ground energy state. Consequently, in the ground state the halogen atoms can form 1 bond by the exchange mechanism.
- In this case the fluorine has no excited state, i.e. the maximum valence of the fluorine in the compound is I.
- However, unlike fluorine, chlorine, bromine and iodine atoms can move into an excited energy state due to their vacant d-orbitals.
- Thus, the maximum valence of halogens (except fluorine) in compounds is VII. Halogens are also characterised by valences I, III, V.
- The oxidation states of the halogen atom are from -1 to +7. The characteristic oxidation states are -1, 0, +1, +3, +5, +7. For fluorine the characteristic oxidation state is -1 and valence I.

Physical properties and patterns of property change

• Halogens form bi-atomic molecules with the composition Hal₂. In the solid state have a molecular crystalline lattice. They are poorly soluble in water, all have an odour and are volatile.

Halogen	F	Cl	Br	1
Oxidation grades	-1	-1, +1, +3, +5, +7	-1, +1, +3, +5, +7	-1, +1, +3, +5, +7
Aggregate state	Gas	Gas	Liquid	Solid crystals
Colour	Light yellow	Yellow-green	Brownish	Dark grey with a metallic sheen
Smell	Sharp	Sharp, suffocating	Pungent, stinky	Sharp
T melting	-220° C	-101° C	-7° C	113.5° C
Boiling point	-188° C	-34° C	58° C	185° C

Halogen compounds

Oxidation degree	Typical connections		
+7	Chloric acid HClO ₄		
	Perchlorates MeClO ₄		
+5	Chloric acid HClO ₃		
	Chlorates MeClO ₃		
+3	Chloric acid HClO ₂		
+1	Chlorous acid HClO		
	Hypochlorites MeClO		
-1	Hydrogen chloride HCl, Chlorides MeCl		

Bromine and iodine form similar compounds

Methods of producing halogens

Obtaining chlorine

- In industry, chlorine is produced by the electrolysis of molten or dissolved sodium chloride.
- Electrolysis of molten sodium chloride.

$$2NaCl \rightarrow 2Na + Cl_2$$

• Electrolysis of a sodium chloride solution.

$$2NaCl + 2H_2O \rightarrow H_2 \uparrow + 2NaOH + Cl_2 \uparrow$$

- In the laboratory, chlorine is produced by reacting concentrated hydrochloric acid with strong oxidising agents.
- For example, by reacting hydrochloric acid with manganese oxide (IV)

$$MnO_2 + 4HCI \rightarrow MnCl_2 + Cl_2 \uparrow + 2HO_2$$

• Or potassium permanganate:

$$2KMnO_4 + 16HCl \rightarrow 2MnCl_2 + 2KCl + 5Cl_2 \uparrow + 8HO_2$$

• Bertholite salt also oxidises hydrochloric acid:

$$KCIO_3 + 6HCI \rightarrow KCI + 3Cl_2 \uparrow + 3HO_2$$

• Potassium bichromate oxidises hydrochloric acid:

$$K_2 \text{ Cr O}_{27} + 14 \text{HCl} \rightarrow 2 \text{CrCl}_3 + 2 \text{KCl} + 3 \text{Cl}_2 \uparrow + 7 \text{H O}_2$$

Obtaining fluorine

• Fluorine is produced by the electrolysis of molten potassium hydrofluoride.

$$2KHF_2 \rightarrow 2K + H_2 + 2F_2$$

Obtaining bromine

- Bromine can be obtained by oxidising Br ions with strong oxidising agents.
- For example, bromohydrogen is oxidised by chlorine:

$$2HBr + Cl_2 \rightarrow Br_2 + 2HCl$$

- Manganese compounds also oxidise bromide ions.
- For example, manganese oxide (IV):

$$MnO_2 + 4HBr \rightarrow MnBr_2 + Br_2 + 2HO_2$$

Obtaining iodine

- Iodine is produced by the oxidation of I ions with strong oxidizing agents.
- For example, chlorine oxidises potassium iodide:

$$2KI + CI_2 \rightarrow I_2 + 2KCI$$

- Manganese compounds also oxidise iodide ions.
- For example, manganese oxide (IV) oxidises potassium iodide in an acidic environment:

$$2KI + MnO_2 + 2H_2 SO_4 \rightarrow I_2 + K_2 SO_4 + MnSO_4 + 2HO_2$$

The chemical activity of halogens increases from the bottom to the top - from astatine to fluorine.

- 1. Halogens exhibit oxidising properties. Halogens react with metals and non-metals.
- **1.1** Halogens do not **burn** in air. Fluorine oxidises oxygen to form oxygen fluoride:

$$2F_2 + O_2 \rightarrow 2OF_2$$

1.2 The interaction of halogens with **sulphur** produces sulphur **halides**:

$$S + Cl_2 \rightarrow SCl_2 (S_2 Cl)_2$$

 $S + 3F_2 \rightarrow SF_6$

1.3 When **phosphorus** and **carbon** interact with halogens, **phosphorus** and **carbon** halides are formed:

$$2P + 5Cl2 \rightarrow 2PCl5$$

$$2P + 3Cl2 \rightarrow 2PCl3$$

$$2F2 + C \rightarrow CF4$$

1.4 When interacting with **metals**, halogens exhibit **oxidising** properties, forming **halides**.

For example, iron reacts with halogens to form **halides**. Fluorine, chlorine and bromine form iron (III) halides and iron (II) with iodine:

$$3Cl_2 + 2Fe \rightarrow 2FeCl_3$$

 $l_2 + Fe \rightarrow Fel_2$

The situation with **copper** is similar: fluorine, chlorine and bromine oxidise copper to copper (II) halides and iodine to copper (I) iodide:

$$Cl_2 + Cu \rightarrow 2CuCl_2$$

 $l_2 + 2Cu \rightarrow 2Cul$

Active metals react violently with halogens, especially fluorine and chlorine (burn in an atmosphere of fluorine or chlorine).

Another **example**: **aluminium** reacts with chlorine to form aluminium chloride:

$$3Cl_2 + 2Al \rightarrow 2AlCl_3$$

1.5 Hydrogen burns in a **fluorine** atmosphere:

$$F_2 + H_2 \rightarrow 2HF$$

Hydrogen only reacts with chlorine when heated or illuminated. In this case, the reaction proceeds with an explosion:

$$Cl_2 + H_2 \rightarrow 2HCl$$

Bromine also reacts with hydrogen to form hydrogen bromide:

$$Br_2 + H_2 \rightarrow 2HBr$$

Iodine interacts with hydrogen only when strongly heated, the reaction is reversible, with heat absorption (endothermic):

$$I_2 + H_2 \leftrightarrow 2HI$$

Halogens react with **halogens**. The more active halogens oxidise the less active ones.

For example, fluorine oxidises chlorine, bromine and iodine:

$$Cl_2 + F_2 \rightarrow 2CIF$$

- **2.** Halogens react with complex substances, also showing predominantly oxidative properties. Halogens readily disproportionate when dissolved in water or in alkalis.
- **2.1** When dissolved **in water, chlorine and bromine** partially disproportionate, increasing and decreasing the oxidation degree. **Fluorine** oxidises water.

For example, chlorine, when dissolved in cold water, disproportions to the nearest stable oxidation states (+1 and -1) and forms hydrochloric acid and hypochlorous acid (chlorine water):

$$Cl_2 + H_2 O \leftrightarrow HCl + HClO$$

When dissolved in hot water, chlorine disproportionates to oxidation states -1 and +5, forming hydrochloric acid and perchloric acid:

$$Cl_2 + 6H_2 O \leftrightarrow 5HCl + HClO_3$$

Fluorine reacts with water with an explosion:

$$2F_2 + 2H_2 O \rightarrow 4HF + O_2$$

2.2 When dissolved in alkalis, chlorine, bromine and iodine disproportionate to form different salts. Fluorine oxidises alkalis.

For example, chlorine reacts with a **cold** solution of sodium hydroxide:

$$Cl_2 + 2NaOH_{(xon.)} \rightarrow NaCl + NaClO + HO_2$$

When interacting with **hot** sodium hydroxide solution, chloride and chlorate are formed:

$$3Cl_2 + 6NaOH_{(rop.)} \rightarrow 5NaCl + NaClO_3 + 3HO_2$$

Another **example**: chlorine dissolves in a cold solution of calcium hydroxide:

$$2Cl_2 + 2Ca(OH)_{2(XOJ.)} \rightarrow CaCl_2 + Ca(ClO)_2 + 2HO_2$$

2.3 More active halogens displace less active halogens from salts and halogen hydrocarbons.

For example, chlorine displaces iodine and bromine from a solution of potassium iodide and potassium bromide respectively:

$$Cl_2 + 2Nal \rightarrow 2NaCl + l_2$$

 $Cl_2 + 2NaBr \rightarrow 2NaCl + Br_2$

Another property: the more active halogens oxidise the less active ones.

2.4 Halogens exhibit oxidising properties and interact with reducing agents.

For example, chlorine oxidises hydrogen sulphide:

$$Cl_2 + H_2 S \rightarrow S + 2HCl$$

Chlorine also oxidises sulphites:

$$Cl_2 + H_2 O + Na_2 SO_3 \rightarrow 2HCl + Na_2 SO_4$$

Halogens also oxidise peroxides:

$$Cl_2 + HO_{22} \rightarrow 2HCl + O_2$$

Or, when heated or exposed to light, water:

$$2Cl_2 + 2H_2 O \rightarrow 4HCl + O_2$$
 (light or boiling)

Halogen hydrocarbons

Halogen hydrocarbons

- Halogen hydrocarbons HHal are binary compounds of hydrogen with halogens, which are volatile hydrogen compounds. Halogen hydrocarbons are colourless, poisonous gases with a pungent odour, well soluble in water.
- In the series HCl HBr HI the bond length increases and the covalence of the bond decreases the polarity of the H Hal bond.
- Halogen-hydrogen solutions in water (except hydrogen fluoride) are strong acids. Aqueous hydrogen fluoride solution is a weak acid.

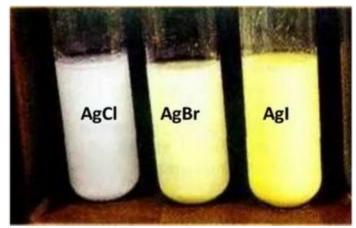
Methods of producing halogen hydrocarbons

- In the laboratory, halogen hydrocarbons are produced by the action of non-volatile acids on metal chlorides.
- For example, by the action of concentrated sulphuric acid on sodium chloride:
- $H_2 SO_{4(KOHU.)} + NaCl_{(solid)} \rightarrow NaHSO_4 + HCl\uparrow$
- Halogen hydrocarbons are also obtained by direct interaction of simple substances:
- $Cl_2 + H_2 \rightarrow 2HCl$

- 1. In aqueous solution, hydrogen halides exhibit acidic properties. They react with bases, basic oxides, amphoteric hydroxides, amphoteric oxides. Acidic properties increase in the series HF HCl HBr HI.
- For example, hydrogen chloride reacts with calcium oxide, aluminium oxide, sodium hydroxide, copper (II) hydroxide, zinc (II) hydroxide, ammonia:
- 2HCl + CaO → CaCl₂ + H O₂
- 6HCl + Al O₂₃ → 2AlCl₃ + 3H O₂
- HCl + NaOH → NaCl + H O₂
- 2HCl + Cu(OH)₂ → CuCl₂ + 2H O₂
- 2HCl + Zn(OH)₂ → ZnCl₂ + 2H O₂
- HCl + NH₃ → NH₄ Cl
- As typical mineral acids, aqueous solutions of halogen hydrocarbons react with **metals** in the metal activity series before hydrogen. This produces **a metal salt and hydrogen**.
- For example, hydrochloric acid dissolves iron. This produces hydrogen and iron(II) chloride:
- Fe + 2HCl → FeCl₂ + H₂

- 2. In aqueous solution, hydrogen halides dissociate to form acids. An aqueous solution of hydrogen fluoride (hydrofluoric acid) is a weak acid:
- $HF \leftrightarrow H^+ + F^-$
- Aqueous solutions of hydrogen chloride (hydrochloric acid), hydrogen bromide and hydrogen iodide are strong acids and dissociate almost completely in dilute solution:
- $HCI \leftrightarrow H^+ + CI^-$
- **3.** Aqueous solutions of halogenated hydrocarbons react with salts of weaker acids and with some soluble salts (if a gas, precipitate, water or weak electrolyte is formed).
- For example, hydrochloric acid reacts with calcium carbonate:
- $2HCl + CaCO_3 \rightarrow CaCl_2 + 2H_2 O + CO_2$

- Qualitative reaction for halide ions interaction with soluble silver salts.
- When hydrochloric acid reacts with **silver nitrate (I)**, a white precipitate of silver chloride is formed:
- $HCl + AgNO_3 = AgCl \downarrow + HNO_3$
- The silver bromide precipitate is a pale yellow colour:
- HBr + AgNO₃ = AgBr \downarrow + HNO₃
- The **silver iodide** precipitate is yellow in colour:
- HI + AgNO₃ = AgI \downarrow + HNO₃



- 4. The reducing properties of halogen hydrocarbons increase in the series HF HCl HBr HI.
- Halogen hydrocarbons react with halogens. The more active halogens displace the less active ones.
- For example, bromine displaces iodine from iodine-hydrogen:
- $Br_2 + 2HI \rightarrow I_2 + 2HBr$
- Chlorine, on the other hand, cannot displace fluorine from hydrogen fluoride.
- **Hydrogen bromide** is a strong reducing agent and is oxidised by manganese compounds, chromium (VI), concentrated sulphuric acid and other strong oxidising agents:
- For example, bromohydrogen is oxidised with concentrated sulphuric acid:
- $2HBr + H_2 SO_{4(KOHU.)} \rightarrow Br_2 + SO_2 + 2HO_2$
- Hydrogen bromide reacts with potassium bichromate to form molecular bromine:
- 14HBr + K_2 Cr $O_{27} \rightarrow 2KBr + 2CrBr_3 + 3Br_2 + 7H <math>O_2$
- Or with manganese (IV) oxide:
- $4HBr + MnO_2 \rightarrow MnBr_2 + Br_2 + 2HO_2$
- **Hydrogen peroxide** also oxidises hydrogen bromide to molecular bromine:
- $2HBr + HO_{22} \rightarrow Br_2 + 2HO_2$

- **Iodohydrogen is an** even stronger **reducing agent**, and is oxidised by other non-metals and even oxidising agents such as iron (III) compounds and copper (II) compounds.
- For example, iodohydrogen reacts with iron (III) chloride to form molecular iodine:
- 2HI + 2FeCl₃ → l₂ + 2FeCl₂ + 2HCl
- or with **ferrous (III) sulphate**:
- 2HI + Fe₂ (SO)₄₃ → 2FeSO₄ + I₂ + H₂ SO₄
- Iodohydrogen is easily oxidised by nitrogen compounds **such** as **nitric oxide (IV)**:
- 2HI + NO₂ → I₂ + NO + H O₂
- or molecular **sulphur** when heated:
- $2HI + S \rightarrow I_2 + HS_2$
- 5. Hydrofluoric acid reacts with silicon (IV) oxide (dissolves glass):
- $SiO_2 + 4HF \rightarrow SiF_4 + 2HO_2$
- $SiO_2 + 6HF_{(N36)} \rightarrow H_2 [SiF_6] + HO_2$

Metal halides

 Halogenides are binary compounds of halogens and metals or certain non-metals, salts of halogen hydrocarbons.

Methods of producing halides

- 1. Metal halides are produced by the interaction of halogens with metals. The halogens exhibit the properties of an oxidising agent.
- For example, chlorine interacts with magnesium and calcium:
- Cl_2 + $Mg \rightarrow MgCl_2$
- Cl_2 + $Ca \rightarrow CaCl_2$
- 2. Metal halides can be obtained by the interaction of metals with hydrogen halides.
- For example, hydrochloric acid reacts with iron to form ferric chloride (II):
- Fe + 2HCl → FeCl₂ + H₂

Metal halides

- 3. Metal halides can be obtained by the interaction of basic and amphoteric oxides with hydrogen halides.
- For example, when calcium oxide and hydrochloric acid interact:
- 2HCl + CaO → CaCl₂ + H O₂
- Another example: the interaction of aluminium oxide with hydrochloric acid:
- 6HCl + Al $O_{23} \rightarrow 2AlCl_3 + 3H O_2$
- 4. Metal halides can be obtained by the interaction of bases and amphoteric hydroxides with hydrogen halides.
- For example, when sodium hydroxide and hydrochloric acid interact:
- HCl + NaOH → NaCl + H O₂

Metal halides

- 5. Some salts react with hydrogen halides to form metal halides.
- For example, sodium hydrogen carbonate reacts with hydrogen bromide to form sodium bromide:
- HBr + NaHCO₃ \rightarrow NaBr + CO₂ \uparrow + H O₂

- 1. Soluble halides enter into exchange reactions with soluble salts, acids and bases if a precipitate, gas or water is formed.
- For example, bromides, iodides and chlorides react with silver nitrate to form yellow, yellow and white precipitates respectively.
- NaCl + AgNO₃ → AgCl↓ + NaNO₃
- 2. Heavy metal halides react with the more active metals. The more active metals displace the less active ones.
- For example, magnesium displaces copper from molten copper(II) chloride:
- Mg + CuCl₂ → MgCl₂ + Cu

- **3.** Halogenides are subjected **to electrolysis** in solution or melt. This produces **halogens** at the anode.
- For example, the electrolysis of a potassium bromide melt produces potassium at the cathode and bromine at the anode:
- $2KBr \rightarrow 2K + Br_2$
- When a solution of potassium bromide is electrolysed, hydrogen is released at the cathode and bromine is also produced at the anode:
- $2KBr + 2H_2O \rightarrow H_2 \uparrow + 2KOH + Br_2 \uparrow$
- **4.** Metal halides exhibit **reducing properties**. Chlorides are oxidising only strong oxidising agents, but iodides are already very strong reducing agents. In general, the reducing properties of halides are similar to those of hydrogen halides.
- For example, potassium bromide is oxidised with concentrated sulphuric acid:
- $2KBr + 2H_2SO_{4(KOHU.)} \rightarrow 4K_2SO_4 + 4Br_2 + SO_2 + 2HO_2$

- 5. Insoluble metal halides are dissolved by an excess of ammonia.
- For example, silver (I) chloride dissolves when exposed to an excess of ammonia solution:
- AgCl + NH₃ \rightarrow [Ag(NH)₃₂]Cl
- **6.** Insoluble halides **decompose** into halogen and metal when exposed to light.
- For example, silver chloride decomposes when exposed to ultraviolet light:
- $2AgCl \rightarrow 2Ag + Cl_2$