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comprehensive support for typesetting chemistry documents

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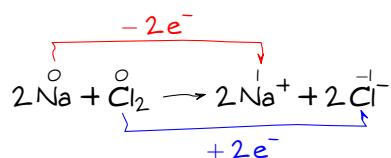


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Part I.

Preliminaries

1. Licence, Requirements and README

Permission is granted to copy, distribute and/or modify this software under the terms of the L^AT_EX Project Public License (LPPL), version 1.3c or later (<http://www.latex-project.org/lppl.txt>). The software has the status “maintained.”

`CHEMMACROS` loads the packages `expl3` [L₃Pa] and `xparse` [L₃Pb]. Depending on your usage other packages will be loaded. They are mentioned when the corresponding module using the package is described.

2. Motivation and Background

This package grew from a small collection of personal helper macros back in 2010 into a rather big package supporting various different chemical typesetting tasks. I hope I have achieved the following points with this package:

- Intuitive usage as far as the syntax of the commands is concerned.
- A comprehensive set of macros! If there are any needs you might have with respect to typesetting of chemistry which is not supported by this package¹ then let me know so **CHEMMACROS** can be extended.
- The commands shall not only make typesetting easier and faster but also the document source more readable with respect to semantics (`\ortho-dichlorobenzene` is easier to read and understand than `\textit{o}-dichlorobenzene`); the first variant in my opinion also is more in the spirit of L^AT_EX 2_E.
- As much customizability as I could think of so every user can adapt the commands to his or her own wishes. Every now and then users have wishes which can't be solved with the available options. Almost always I'll add options then. If you find something please contact me, see section B starting on page 66.
- Default settings that are compliant with the recommendations of the INTERNATIONAL UNION OF PURE AND APPLIED CHEMISTRY (IUPAC).

Especially the last point in the past needed some pushing from users to get things right in many places. If you find anything not compliant with IUPAC recommendations please contact me, see section B starting on page 66. Don't forget to add references for the corresponding IUPAC recommendation.

3. The Structure of **CHEMMACROS**

3.1. General Structure

Introduced
in version 5.0
(2015/09/11)

Since version 5.0 the **CHEMMACROS** package has a strictly modular structure. On the one hand this eases maintenance but it will also allow for easy and quick extension in the future. In a way it is a logical consequence from **CHEMMACROS**' history: since version 2.0, *i.e.*, since the fall of 2011 **CHEMMACROS** already had modular options.

The different modules of **CHEMMACROS** are divided into two groups:

1. Internal modules which provide underlying functionality or basic functionality which is not of direct interest from a user perspective but might be if you plan to write a module yourself (see section A for details).
2. User modules which provide all the stuff for typesetting.

Both groups each are subdivided into two groups: preloaded modules and modules which have to be loaded by the programmer (internal modules) or by the document author (user modules). Those modules are described in parts II (preloaded modules) and III (additional modules) of this manual.

The above means that not all functionality is available per default. If you want to load *all* modules no matter what then you can say:

1. Not including needs already solved by other packages such as `chemnum` or `chemfig`.

```
1 \usechemmodule{all}
```

or

```
1 \chemsetup{modules=all}
```

which will load all modules which are part of **CHEMMACROS** (also see section 7.1 starting on page 34). Own modules (see section A starting on page 65) are *not* loaded through this, though, and still have to be loaded additionally.

In part II starting on page 8 the preloaded modules are described, first the user modules then the internal ones, in part III starting on page 34 the other available modules are described, again the user modules first. In each section the modules are described in an alphabetical order.

3.2. Using **CHEMMACROS'** Options

Prior to v5.0 **CHEMMACROS** had quite a number of package options. **CHEMMACROS** v5.0 or higher has none! All of **CHEMMACROS'** options are set using the command

```
\chemsetup[<module>]{<option list>}  
CHEMMACROS' setup command.
```

When an option is described then in the left margin the module the option belongs to is denoted. This looks something like this:

module » **option** = {*<value>*} (initially empty)

Description of **option**. The module is printed in the left margin. The default value to the right is the setting the option has when **CHEMMACROS** is loaded. This can be an explicit setting but the option can also be empty.

module » **choice-option** = *list|of|choices* Default: *list*

Description of **choice-option**. A choice option can only be used with a predefined list of values. If one of the values is underlined it means that the option can be used without value in which case the underlined value is chosen. If no value is underlined then a value *has* to be given by the user.

module » **boolean-option** = true|false Default: *true*

Description of **boolean-option**. A boolean option is a choice option with exactly the two values **true** and **false**. If the option is called without value then the underlined value is chosen (which is always **true** for a boolean option).

An option or list of options belonging to a module **module** can be set in two ways:

```
1 % first possibility:  
2 \chemsetup[module]{  
3   option1 = value ,  
4   option2 = value  
5 }  
6 % second possibility:  
7 \chemsetup{  
8   module/option1 = value ,
```

```

9   module	option2 = value
10 }
```

The second way allows to set options belonging to different modules with one call of `\chemsetup`.

3.3. Support Package **CHEMFOMULA**

CHEMFOMULA provides means of typesetting chemical formulas and reactions. You will see its macros `\ch` and `\chcpd` every now and then in this manual. When using **CHEMMACROS** you can consider the **CHEMFOMULA** package [Nie19] to be loaded as **CHEMMACROS** makes use of it in various places. **CHEMMACROS** and **CHEMFOMULA** are tightly intertwined. Nevertheless you should be able to use the mhchem [Hen18] package with **CHEMMACROS**. Please see section 6.2.1 starting on page 27 for details and *caveats*. *The recommendation is to use **CHEMFOMULA**.*

A historical note: **CHEMFOMULA** started as a part of **CHEMMACROS** in January 2012. Since July 2013 it is a completely independent package – from **CHEMFOMULA**'s point of view. It is maintained independently and has a manual of its own.

3.4. Upgrading from version < 5.0

People upgrading from versions < 5.0 will find that almost everything they know from earlier versions is the same in versions ≥ 5.0 . But there are important and *breaking* differences:

- **CHEMMACROS** has no package options any more, all options are set via `\chemsetup`, also see section 3.2 on the previous page.
- Not all of the features are available per default any more, for some the corresponding module has to be loaded explicitly, see section 4. If suddenly some commands or environments seem to be undefined this is the most likely reason.
- Some option modules have been renamed (*e.g.*, `iupac` is now `nomenclature`). If you experience strange errors when you upgrade your document this is the most likely source.
- The command family `\NewChem...`, `\RenewChem...` and `\DeclareChem...` has a new member `\ProvideChem...`
- In `\iupac` the macro `\-` no longer gives a dash with breaking point. Instead `-` can be used directly.²
- The macro `\ox` has another default behaviour (`pos = {super}`) and the starred version has another effect (`pos = {top}`) than the same macro in earlier versions. Now the default behaviour follows IUPAC recommendations. A second change is that the atom is now treated as a **CHEMFOMULA** input (this depends on the setting of the `formula` option, see 6.2 starting on page 27).
- The syntax of `\NewChemReaction` and friends is now different from what it used to be. If you have defined your own reaction environments you need to adapt!
- **CHEMMACROS** offers a macro `\state` which is similar to but different from the earlier macro `\State`. `\State` is deprecated. There are also differences in the syntax of `\enthalpy` vs. the earlier `\Enthalpy`, `\entropy` vs. `\Entropy` and `\gibbs` vs. `\Gibbs`. The uppercase versions are deprecated. The macro `\NewChemState` also has a different syntax now.

². `\-` is provided up to and including v5.2 but is dropped in higher versions.

- At various places in the code improvements and fixes have been made, too many to list them here. You should keep an open eye and first of all read the manual closely.

3.5. Compatibility Mode

3.5.1. For Users

It is actually not true that **CHEMMACROS**' has no package options any more. It has one very important package option:

Let's you specify the version of **CHEMMACROS** you want to use. Any version earlier than 5.0 will load v4.7. *i.e.*, the last version before **CHEMMACROS** got its modular structure.³ Not using the option will always load the newest version.

Both values newest and latest will choose the latest version available.

In your document you can check for the compatibility mode. For the following functions it is important to understand the rules: *greater* means *newer*. The version number is *not* a usual decimal number! The syntax for `<version>` is `<major>.<minor><optional subrelease>`. This means that a version 5.11 is *newer* than a version 5.7! In the same way *less* means *older*. As last example: 5.10 is *newer* (greater) than 5.1. `<optional subrelease>` is a lowercase letter which might or might not be present in a version number. Version 5.7b is newer than 5.7a which in turn is newer than 5.7.

* \IfChemCompatibilityTF{*comp*}{*version*}{*true*}{*false*}

Checks the value given through the option `compatibility` against `<version>` using `<comp>` and either leaves `<true>` or `<false>` in the input stream. `<comp>` can be one of `<`, `<=`, `=`, `<=` or `>`.

* \IfChemCompatibilityT{\langle comp \rangle}{\langle version \rangle}{\langle true \rangle}

Checks the value given through the option **compatibility** against *<version>* using *<comp>* and leaves *<true>* in the input stream if the check is logically true. *<comp>* can be one of *<>*, *<=*, *=*, *>=* or *>*.

* \IfChemCompatibilityF{\langle comp \rangle}{\langle version \rangle}{\langle false \rangle}

Checks the value given through the option `compatibility` against `<version>` using `<comp>` and leaves `<false>` in the input stream if the check is logically false. `<comp>` can be one of `<`, `<=`, `=`, `<=` or `<=`.

A possible usage:

`\IfChemCompatibilityT{>}{5.0}{\usechemmodule{all}}`

Loading `CHEMMACROS` with `compatibility = {4.7}` also allows to use the package options from that version:

```
1 \usepackage[compatibility=4.7,language=german]{chemmacros}
```

3. Mostly: the loaded v4.7 has got a few fixes

3.5.2. For Module Writers

For future versions the aim is not to make such breaking changes again. While we never know what the future actually will bring **CHEMMACROS** now has the tools for tying code to a version number:

* **\chemmacros_if_compatibility:nnTF** {*comp*} {*version*} {*true*} {*false*}
expl3 version of **\IfChemCompatibilityTF**.

In modules one can try adding code for a certain version or range of versions:

\ChemCompatibility{*version*} {*code*} \EndChemCompatibility

Leaves *code* in the input stream if the compatibility version *x* given by **compatibility** matches *version* (*x* = *version*).

\ChemCompatibilityFrom{*version*} {*code*} \EndChemCompatibility

Leaves *code* in the input stream if the compatibility version *x* given by **compatibility** matches *version* or newer. This means *version* is the *oldest* version allowed (*x* ≥ *version*).

\ChemCompatibilityTo{*version*} {*code*} \EndChemCompatibility

Leaves *code* in the input stream if the compatibility version *x* given by **compatibility** matches any version up to and *excluding* *version*. This means *version* is the *oldest* version *not* allowed (*x* < *version*).

\ChemCompatibilityBetween{*version 1*} {*version 2*} {*code*} \EndChemCompatibility

Leaves *code* in the input stream if the compatibility version *x* given by **compatibility** lies between and *including* *version 1* up to and *excluding* *version 2* (*version 1* ≤ *x* < *version 2*).

\EndChemCompatibility

This macro *must* end each of the **\ChemCompatibility...** macros.

You may refer to the current version of **CHEMMACROS** with the following tokenlists:

\c_chemmacros_date_tl

The current release date: “2020/11/21”.

\c_chemmacros_version_major_number_tl

The current major version: “5”.

\c_chemmacros_version_minor_number_tl

The current minor version: “11”.

\c_chemmacros_version_number_tl

The current version number: “5.11”.

\c_chemmacros_version_subrelease_tl

The current sub-release: “a”.

\c_chemmacros_version_tl

The current version: “5.11a”.

\c_chemmacros_info_tl

The package information: “comprehensive support for typesetting chemistry documents”.

Changed in
version 5.8a
(2017/06/13)

Changed in
version 5.8a

4. General Options

CHEMMACROS has some core options which don't belong to any of the modules described in parts II and III. Those options have no module denoted in the left margin next to their descriptions and are also set without specifying a module:

```

1 \chemsetup{
2   option1 = value ,
3   option2 = value
4 }
```

Two of those options are explained now:

modules = {*<comma separated list of module names>*} (initially empty)

With this option you can specify which modules you want to load. Alternatively you can use **\usechemmodule**{*<comma separated list of module names>*}.

greek = {*<mapping>*} (initially empty)

Explicitly specify which mapping should be used by the **CHEMGREEK** package [Nie16a]. For details about what this means please refer to section 6.4 starting on page 29.

Some internal modules may also define core options, *e.g.*, the **lang** module, see section 6.5 starting on page 30.

Part II.

The Preloaded Modules

5. User Modules

5.1. The acid-base Module

Easy representation of pH, pK_a...

\pH
pH

\pOH
pOH

\Ka

K_a, depends on language settings, see section 6.5 starting on page 30. The translations can be adapted.

\Kb
K_b

\Kw
K_w

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`\pKa[⟨num⟩]`

`\pKa`: pK_a , `\pKa[1]`: pK_{a1} , depends on language settings, see section 6.5 starting on page 30.
The translations can be adapted.

`\pKb[⟨num⟩]`

`\pKb`: pK_b , `\pKb[1]`: pK_{b1}

`\p{⟨anything⟩}`

e.g. `\p{\Kw}` pK_w

¹ <code>\Ka\ \Kb\ \pKa\ \pKa[1]\ \pKb\ \pKb[1]</code>	$K_a\ K_b\ pK_a\ pK_{a1}\ pK_b\ pK_{b1}$
--	--

The operator `p` [...] shall be printed in Roman type.

The IUPAC Green Book [Coh+08, p. 103]

There is one option which changes the style the `p` is typeset, other options allow to change the subscript of the constants:

`acid-base » p-style = italics|slanted|upright`
Set the style of the `p` operator.

Default: `upright`

`acid-base » K-acid = {⟨text⟩}`
The subscript to `\Ka` and `\pKa`.

Default: `\ChemTranslate{K-acid}`

`acid-base » K-base = {⟨text⟩}`
The subscript to `\Kb` and `\pKb`.

Default: `\ChemTranslate{K-base}`

`acid-base » K-water = {⟨text⟩}`
The subscript to `\Kw`.

Default: `\ChemTranslate{K-water}`

`acid-base » eq-constant = {⟨text⟩}`

Default: `K`

Introduced
in version 5.4
(2016/02/10)

The symbol of the constants.

¹ <code>\pH, \pKa \par</code> ² <code>\chemsetup[acid-base]{p-style=slanted} \pH, \pKa \par</code> ³ <code>\chemsetup[acid-base]{p-style=italics} \pH, \pKa</code>

`pH, pKa`
`pH, pKa`
`pH, pKa`

As you can see the default subscripts of `\Kw`, `\Ka` and `\Kb` are lowercase letters. The literature is inconclusive about if this is the right way or if uppercase letters should be preferred. In textbooks the uppercase variant usually seems to be used while journals seem to prefer the lowercase variant. `CHEMMACROS`' default follows the usage in *The IUPAC Green Book* [Coh+08]. If you want to change this you have two possibilities:

¹ % this works only in the preamble:

² % `\DeclareTranslation{English}{K-acid}{\mathrm{A}}`% use your language here

```

3 % alternative:
4 \chemsetup{acid-base/K-acid=\mathrm{A}}% overwrites language dependent
   settings
5 \pKa

```

pK_A

Introduced in
version 5.4

The constants K_a , K_b , and K_w were defined using the following commands:

\NewChemEqConstant{\langle cs \rangle}{\langle name \rangle}{\langle subscript \rangle}

Define the constant $\langle cs \rangle$ with the name $\langle name \rangle$ and the subscript $\langle subscript \rangle$. This also defines the default translation with the key $\langle name \rangle$ using $\langle subscript \rangle$ as fallback translation (see section 6.5 starting on page 30 for details). It also defines the option $\langle name \rangle$ for setting the subscript.

\RenewChemEqConstant{\langle cs \rangle}{\langle name \rangle}{\langle default appearance \rangle}

The same as \NewChemEqConstant but renews an existing command.

\DeclareChemEqConstant{\langle cs \rangle}{\langle name \rangle}{\langle default appearance \rangle}

The same as \NewChemEqConstant but overwrites existing commands.

\ProvideChemEqConstant{\langle cs \rangle}{\langle name \rangle}{\langle default appearance \rangle}

The same as \NewChemEqConstant but doesn't throw an error if $\langle cs \rangle$ already exists.

This is how \Ka is defined:

```

1 \NewChemEqConstant\Ka{K-acid}{\mathrm{a}}

```

5.2. The charges Module

The charges module loads the module chemformula.

5.2.1. Charge Symbols

\fplus

\oplus formal positive charge

\fminus

\ominus formal negative charge

\scrp

$+$ scriptstyle positive charge (e.g., for usage in chemfig's [Tel19] formulas).

\scrm

$-$ scriptstyle negative charge (e.g., for usage in chemfig's formulas).

\fscrp

\oplus scriptstyle formal positive charge (e.g., for usage in chemfig's formulas).

\fscrm

\ominus scriptstyle formal negative charge (e.g., for usage in chemfig's formulas).

\fsscrp

\oplus scriptscriptstyle formal positive charge (e.g., for usage in chemfig's formulas).

\fsscrm

scriptscriptstyle formal negative charge (e.g., for usage in chemfig's formulas).

5.2.2. Ion Charges

Simple displaying of (real) charges. It is worth noting that these commands really are relicts from a time when **CHEMMACROS** tried hard to be compliant with mhchem and **CHEMFOMULA** didn't exist, yet. They are still provided for backwards compatibility but *my recommendation is to use \ch (see the documentation of the **CHEMFOMULA** package [Nie19]) and forget about these commands:*

\pch[⟨number⟩]

positive charge

\mch[⟨number⟩]

negative charge

\fpch[⟨number⟩]

formal positive charge

\fmch[⟨number⟩]

formal negative charge

```
1 A\pch\ B\mch[3] C\fpch[2] D\fmch
```

$$A^+ B^{3-} C^{2+} D^\ominus$$

5.2.3. Partial Charges and Similar Stuff

The next ones probably are seldomly needed but nevertheless useful:

\delp

δ^+ partial positive charge

\delm

δ^- partial negative charge

\fdelp

δ^{\oplus} partial formal positive charge

\fdelm

δ^{\ominus} partial formal negative charge

These macros for example can be used with the \ox command (see section 7.1 starting on page 46) or with the chemfig package:

```
1 \chemsetup{
2   charges/circled = all,
3   redox/parse     = false,
4   redox/pos       = top
5 }
6 \ch{"\ox{\delp,H}" -{} " \ox{\delm,Cl}" } \hspace*{1cm}
7 \chemfig{\chemabove[3pt]{\lewis{246,Br}}{\delm}-\chemabove[3pt]{H}{\delp}}
```



5.2.4. Charge Options

<code>charges >rcled = formal all none</code>	Default: formal
<small>CHEM MACROS uses two different kinds of charges which indicate the usage of real (+/-) and formal (\oplus/\ominus) charges. The option <code>formal</code> distinguishes between them, option <code>none</code> displays them all without circle, option <code>all</code> circles all.</small>	
<code>charges » circletype = chem math</code>	Default: chem
<small>This option switches between two kinds of circled charge symbols: <code>\fplus</code> \oplus/<code>\fminus</code> \ominus (chem) and <code>\oplus\$</code> \oplus/<code>\ominus\$</code> \ominus (math).</small>	
<code>partial-format = {\<i>LaTeX code</i>}</code>	<code>charges »</code> Default: <code>\tiny</code>
<small>Code which formats the macros defined with <code>\NewChemPartialCharge</code> (see section 5.2.5).</small>	

5.2.5. Own Charge Macros

Just in case the existing macros don't fit you needs there are commands for defining new ones or modifying the existing ones. These commands define macros like those described in section 5.2.2 on the previous page.

`\NewChemCharge{\<cs>}{\<charge symbol>}`

Defines a new macro `<cs>`. Raises an error if `<cs>` already exists.

`\RenewChemCharge{\<cs>}{\<charge symbol>}`

Redefines a new macro `<cs>`. Raises an error if `<cs>` doesn't exist.

`\DeclareChemCharge{\<cs>}{\<charge symbol>}`

Defines a macro `<cs>`. Silently overwrites `<cs>` if it exists.

`\ProvideChemCharge{\<cs>}{\<charge symbol>}`

Defines a new macro `<cs>`. Does nothing if `<cs>` already exists.

An example of usage is the definition of the existing ion charge macros:

1 `\NewChemCharge\fpch{\fplus}`

2 `\NewChemCharge\fmch{\fminus}`

These commands define macros like those described in section 5.2.3 on the preceding page.

`\NewChemPartialCharge{\<cs>}{\<charge symbol>}`

Defines a new macro `<cs>`. Raises an error if `<cs>` already exists.

`\RenewChemPartialCharge{\<cs>}{\<charge symbol>}`

Redefines a new macro `<cs>`. Raises an error if `<cs>` doesn't exist.

`\DeclareChemPartialCharge{\<cs>}{\<charge symbol>}`

Defines a macro `<cs>`. Silently overwrites `<cs>` if it exists.

`\ProvideChemPartialCharge{\<cs>}{\<charge symbol>}`

Defines a new macro `<cs>`. Does nothing if `<cs>` already exists.

An example of usage is the definition of the existing partial charge macros:

```
1 \NewChemPartialCharge\fde{fplus}
2 \NewChemPartialCharge\fde{fminus}
```

5.3. The nomenclature Module

The nomenclature module loads the `tikz` module. It also loads the package `scrlfile` which is part of the KOMA-Script bundle [Koh19].

5.3.1. The `\iupac` Command

Similar to the `bpchem` package [Ped17] `CHEM_MACROS` provides a command⁴ for typesetting IUPAC names. Why is that useful? IUPAC names can get very long. So long indeed that they span over more than two lines, especially in two-column documents. This means they must be allowed to be broken more than one time. This is what the following command does.

`\iupac{<IUPAC name>}`

Inside this command use `|` indicate a breaking point `^` as a shortcut for `\textsuperscript`. `-`, `(` and `)` allow words to be broken while still allow the rest of word to be hyphenated, likewise `[` and `]`.

```
1 \begin{minipage}{.4\linewidth}
2   \iupac{%
3     Tetra|cyclo[2.2.2.1^{1,4}]-un|decane-2-dodecyl-%
4     5-(hepta|decyl|iso|dodecyl|thio|ester)%
5   }
6 \end{minipage}
```

Tetracyclo[2.2.2.1^{1,4}]-undecane-2-dodecyl-5-(heptadecylisododecyl-thioester)

The `\iupac` command is more of a semantic command. In many cases you can achieve (nearly) the same thing by using `\-` instead of `|`, and `\textsuperscript` instead of `^` without `\iupac`. There are some important differences, though:

- The character `-` inserts a small space before the hyphen and removes a small space after it. Also usually words with hyphens are only allowed to break at the hyphen. Inside `\iupac` the hyphen will not prevent further hyphenation. The amount of inserted space can be customized.
- The character `|` not only prevents ligatures but also inserts a small space. The amount of inserted space can be customized.
- The characters `(` and `)` allow the word to be hyphenated and don't prevent further hyphenation, likewise `[` and `]`.
- The character `'` is printed as `\chemprime`.

Introduced
in version 5.3
(2016/01/13)

4. The idea and initial implementation is shamelessly borrowed from `bpchem` by Bjørn PEDERSEN.

Introduced in
version 5.8c
(2018/03/02)

- The character = is printed ad \nonbreakinghyphen.

```
1 \huge\iupac{2,4-Di|chlor|pentan} \
  par
2 2,4-Dichlorpentan
```

2,4-Dichlorpentan
2,4-Dichlorpentan

\chemprime

Introduced in
version 5.3

Prints a prime character in superscript position. It is defined as \ensuremath{{}^{\prime}}.

\nonbreakinghyphen

Introduced in
version 5.8c

Prints a hyphen which doesn't allow a linebreak after it. It is defined as \mbox{-}\nobreak\hspace{0pt}.

The spaces inserted by - and | can be customized.

nomenclature » **hyphen-pre-space** = {<dim>} Default: .01em

Set the space that is inserted before the hyphen set with -.

nomenclature » **hyphen-post-space** = {<dim>} Default: -.03em

Set the space that is inserted after the hyphen set with -.

nomenclature » **break-space** = {<dim>} Default: .01em

Set the space inserted by |.

The command \iupac serves another purpose, too, however. Regardless of the setting of the **iupac** option (see below) all the commands presented in this section are always defined *inside* \iupac. Quite a number of the naming commands have very general names: \meta, \D, \E, \L, \R, \S, \trans and so forth.⁵ This means they either are predefined already (\L \L) or are easily defined by another package or class (the cool package defines both \D and \E, for example). In order to give you control which commands are defined in which way, there is the option **iupac**:

nomenclature » **iupac** = auto|restricted|strict Default: auto

Take care of how IUPAC naming commands are defined.

It has three modes:

- iupac** = {auto}: if the commands are *not* defined by any package or class you're using they are available generally, otherwise only *inside* \iupac.
- iupac** = {restricted}: all naming commands are *only* defined inside \iupac. If the commands are defined by another package they of course have that meaning outside. They're not defined outside otherwise.
- iupac** = {strict}: CHEMMACROS overwrites any other definition and makes the commands available throughout the document. Of course the commands can be redefined (but only in the document body). They will still be available *inside* \iupac then.

Table 1 on the following page demonstrates the different modes.

5. Please read section 5.3.2 on the next page before you consider using the one-letter commands

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TABLE 1: Demonstration of `iupac`'s modes.

	auto	restricted	strict
<code>\L</code>	<code>\L</code>	<code>\L</code>	<code>L</code>
<code>\iupac{\L}</code>	<code>L</code>	<code>L</code>	<code>L</code>
<code>\D</code>	<code>D</code>	—	<code>D</code>
<code>\iupac{\D}</code>	<code>D</code>	<code>D</code>	<code>D</code>

TABLE 2: IUPAC shortcuts for Greek letters.

macro	<code>\a</code>	<code>\b</code>	<code>\g</code>	<code>\d</code>	<code>\k</code>	<code>\m</code>	<code>\n</code>	<code>\w</code>
letter	α	β	γ	δ	κ	μ	η	ω

5.3.2. Macros Defined (Not Only) For Usage in `\iupac`

One-letter Macros For some of the macros explained in this section one-letter commands are defined – with a *caveat* in mind, though: they are not actively recommended. One-letter commands seldomly have meaningful names and often they've also been defined by other packages. This means they make collaboration more difficult than it needs to be and are a source for package conflicts. **CHEMMACROS** solves the latter problem by only providing them inside the argument of `\iupac`. The one exception **CHEMMACROS** makes is the command `\p` (for things like pH) which is and will remain an official command (see section 5.1 starting on page 8). For all other one-letter macros alternatives with more meaningful names exist.

Greek Letters Greek letters in compound names are typeset upright. Here are a few examples for the existing macros:

`\chemalpha` α
Upright lowercase alpha

`\chembeta` β
Upright lowercase alpha

`\chemgamma` γ
Upright lowercase alpha

`\chemdelta` δ
Upright lowercase alpha

There exist two commands for each of the twenty-four Greek letters: a lowercase and an uppercase version (`\chemalpha` and `\chemAlpha`). Those commands are actually provided by the **CHEMGREEK** package. For more details read section 6.4 starting on page 29 and also refer to **CHEMGREEK**'s documentation.

There are a number of one-letter commands that some people may find convenient to use which use above mentioned commands to print Greek letters inside `\iupac`. They're listed in table 2.

¹ `\iupac{5\chemalpha-androstan-3\chembeta-ol} \par`
² `\iupac{\chemalpha-(tri|chloro|methyl)-\chemomega`
³ `-chloro|poly(1,4-phenylene|methylene)}`

5α -androstan- 3β -ol
 α -(trichloromethyl)- ω -chloropoly(1,4-phenylenemethylene)

Hetero Atoms and added Hydrogen Attachments to hetero atoms and added hydrogen atoms are indicated by italic letters [Coh+08]. **CHEMMACROS** defines a few macros for the most common ones.

\hydrogen *H*

The italic H for hydrogen. An alias for this command is \H.

\oxygen *O*

The italic O for oxygen. An alias for this command is \O.

\nitrogen *N*

The italic N for nitrogen. An alias for this command is \N.

\sulfur *S*

The italic S for sulfur. An alias for this command is \Sf.

\phosphorus *P*

The italic P for phosphorus. An alias for this command is \P.

```

1 \iupac{\nitrogen-methyl|benz|amide}          N-methylbenzamide
2                                         3H-pyrrole
3 \iupac{3\hydrogen-pyrrole}                   O-ethyl hexanethioate
4                                         5 \iupac{\oxygen-ethyl hexanethioate}
5

```

Cahn-Ingold-Prelog

\cip{{<conf>}}

Typeset Cahn-Ingol-Prelog descriptors, e.g.: \cip{R,S} (R,S). *<conf>* may be a csv list of entries.

\rectus (R)

The rectus descriptor. An alias for this command is \R.

\sinister (S)

The sinister descriptor. An alias for this command is \S.

Both these commands and the entgegen/zusammen descriptors get a small additional amount of kerning after the closing parenthesis. This amount can be changed through the following option:

nomenclature » **cip-kern** = {<dim>} Default: .075em
Set the amount of kerning after the closing parenthesis.

The entries typeset by and implemented with \cip can be customized further:

cip-outer-format = {<format>} Default: \upshape
The format of parentheses and commas typeset by \cip.

Introduced
in version 5.8
(2017/04/17)

	<code>cip-inner-format = {\langle format \rangle}</code>	Default: \itshape
Introduced in version 5.8	The format of the entries in \cip. This format works additive to the outer format.	
	<code>cip-number-format = {\langle format \rangle}</code>	Default: \itshape
Introduced in version 5.8	The format of numbers in \cip. This format works additive to the outer format and is applied to arabic figures only.	

Fischer

`\dexter D`
The dexter descriptor. An alias for this command is \D.

`\laevus L`
The laevus descriptor. An alias for this command is \L.

cis/trans, zusammen/entgegen, syn/anti & tert

- `\cis cis \trans trans`
- `\fac fac \mer mer`
- `\sin sin \ter ter`
- `\zusammen (Z) \entgegen (E)`
- `\syn syn \anti anti`
- `\tert tert`

An alias for \entgegen is \E and an alias for \zusammen is \Z.

ortho/meta/para

`\ortho o \meta m \para p`

Although these commands are provided I like to cite *The IUPAC Blue Book* [PPRo4]:

The letters *o*, *m*, and *p* have been used in place of *ortho*, *meta*, and *para*, respectively, to designate the 1,2-, 1,3-, and 1,4- isomers of disubstituted benzene. This usage is strongly discouraged and is not used in preferred IUPAC names. [PPRo4, p. 90]

Absolute Configuration

`\Rconf[\langle letter \rangle]`
`\Rconf: (R) \Rconf[]: ()`

`\Sconf[\langle letter \rangle]`
`\Sconf: (S) \Sconf[]: ()`

Coordination Chemistry **CHEMMACROS** provides a few commands useful in coordination chemistry:

\bridge{{<num>}} μ_3 -
Denote bridging ligand connection.

\hapto{{<num>}} η^5 -
Denote hapticity.

\dento{{<num>}} κ^2 -
Denote denticity.

```

1 Ferrocene = \iupac{bis(\hapto{5}cyclopentadienyl)iron} \par
2 \iupac{tetra-\bridge{3}iodido-tetrakis[tri|methyl|platinum(IV)]}
```

Ferrocene = bis(η^5 -cyclopentadienyl)iron
tetra- μ_3 -iodido-tetrakis(trimethylplatinum(IV))

Two options allow customization:

nomenclature » bridge-number = sub|super Default: sub
Appends the number as a subscript or superscript, depending on the choice. The IUPAC recommendation is the subscript [Con+05].

nomenclature » coord-use-hyphen = true|false Default: true
Append a hyphen to \hapto, \dento and \bridge or don't.

Introduced in version 5.8 The default behaviour of \hapto and \dento has changed with version 5.8 to follow IUPAC recommendations.

Examples

```

1 \iupac{\dexter-Wein|s\"aure} =
2 \iupac{\cip{2S,3S}-Wein|s\"aure} \par
3 \iupac{\dexter-(-$)-Threose} =
4 \iupac{\cip{2S,3R}-($-$)-2,3,4-Tri|hydroxy|butanal} \par
5 \iupac{\cis-2-Butene} =
6 \iupac{\zusammen-2-Butene}, \par
7 \iupac{\cip{2E,4Z}-Hexa|diene} \par
8 \iupac{\meta-Xylol} =
9 \iupac{1,3-Di|methyl|benzene}
```

D-Weinsäure = (2S,3S)-Weinsäure
D-(-)-Threose = (2S,3R)-(-)-2,3,4-Trihydroxybutanal
cis-2-Butene = (Z)-2-Butene,
(2E,4Z)-Hexadiene
m-Xylol = 1,3-Dimethylbenzene

5.3.3. Own \iupac Macros And Shorthands

If you find any commands missing you can define them using

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\NewChemIUPAC{⟨cs⟩}{⟨declaration⟩}

Define a new IUPAC command that is in any case defined inside of \iupac regardless if ⟨cs⟩ is defined elsewhere already.

\ProvideChemIUPAC{⟨cs⟩}{⟨declaration⟩}

Define a new IUPAC command that is in any case defined inside of \iupac regardless if ⟨cs⟩ is defined elsewhere already only if the corresponding IUPAC macro is not defined, yet.

\RenewChemIUPAC{⟨cs⟩}{⟨declaration⟩}

Redefine an existing IUPAC command that is in any case defined inside of \iupac regardless if ⟨cs⟩ is defined elsewhere already.

\DeclareChemIUPAC{⟨cs⟩}{⟨declaration⟩}

Define a new IUPAC command that is in any case defined inside of \iupac regardless if ⟨cs⟩ is defined elsewhere already. This silently overwrites an existing IUPAC macro definition.

\LetChemIUPAC{⟨cs1⟩}{⟨cs2⟩}

Defines ⟨cs1⟩ to be an alias of ⟨cs2⟩.

A command defined in this way will obey the setting of the option *iupac*. This means any existing command is only overwritten with *iupac* = {strict}. However, \NewChemIUPAC will *not* change the definition of an existing IUPAC naming command but issue an error if the IUPAC naming command already exists. \DeclareChemIUPAC *will* overwrite an existing IUPAC command.

```
1 \NewChemIUPAC\endo{\textsc{endo}}
2 \RenewChemIUPAC\anti{\textsc{anti}}
3 \iupac{(2-\endo,7-\anti)-2-bromo-7-fluoro|bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane}
```

(2-ENDO,7-ANTI)-2-bromo-7-fluorobicyclo[2.2.1]heptane

\RenewChemIUPAC allows you to redefine the existing IUPAC naming commands.

```
1 \iupac{\meta-Xylol} \par
2 \RenewChemIUPAC\meta{\textup{m}}
3 \iupac{\meta-Xylol}
```

<i>m</i> -Xylol	<i>m</i> -Xylol
-----------------	-----------------

There's also a way for defining new IUPAC shorthands or changing the existing ones:

\NewChemIUPACShorthand⟨shorthand token⟩⟨control sequence⟩

Defines a new IUPAC shorthand. Inside \iupac it will be equal to using ⟨control sequence⟩. This throws an error if ⟨shorthand token⟩ is already defined.

\RenewChemIUPACShorthand⟨shorthand token⟩⟨control sequence⟩

Redefines an existing IUPAC shorthand. This throws an error if ⟨shorthand token⟩ is not defined, yet.

\DeclareChemIUPACShorthand⟨shorthand token⟩⟨control sequence⟩

Defines a new IUPAC shorthand or redefines an existing one.

\ProvideChemIUPACShorthand⟨shorthand token⟩⟨control sequence⟩

Provides a new IUPAC shorthand. Does nothing if ⟨shorthand token⟩ is already defined.

\RemoveChemIUPACShorthand<shorthand token>

Deletes an existing IUPAC shorthand.

5.3.4. Latin Phrases

CHEMMACROS provides a command for typesetting latin phrases:

\latin[<options>]{<phrase>}

Typesets <phrase> according to the option **format** described below.

\insitu *in situ*

\invacuo *in vacuo*

\abinitio *ab initio*

If you additionally load chemstyle [Wri13] said package will *not* define its own \latin.

The last three commands mentioned above are defined through

\NewChemLatin{<cs>}{<phrase>}

Define a new latin phrase. Gives an error if <cs> already exists.

\DeclareChemLatin{<cs>}{<phrase>}

Define a new latin phrase. Silently redefined existing macros.

\RenewChemLatin{<cs>}{<phrase>}

Redefine an existing latin phrase. Gives an error if <cs> doesn't exist.

\ProvideChemLatin{<cs>}{<phrase>}

Define a new latin phrase only if <cs> doesn't exist.

`1 \NewChemLatin\ltn{latin text}\ltn latin text`

You can change the appearance with this option:

nomenclature » **format** = {<definition>}

Default: \emph

Changed in

version 5.7

(2016/06/07)

5.4. The particles Module

The particles module loads the modules charges and chemformula.

5.4.1. Provided Particle Macros

The particles defines a number of macros which can be used for typesetting common particles in the running text. Most of them don't make much sense in chemformula [Nie19]'s \ch, though, which doesn't mean that they can't be used there, of course:

\el e⁻ \prt p⁺ \ntr n⁰ \Hyd OH⁻ \Oxo H₃O⁺ \water H₂O \El E⁺ \Nuc Nu⁻ \ba ba⁻

All of these macros are defined using chemformula's `\chcpd`. The details are explained in section 5.4.2.

The macros `\Nuc` and `\ba` are special: they have an optional argument for the following options:

<code>elpair = dots dash false</code>	<code>particles »</code>	Default: <code>false</code>
Determine how the electron pair of the nucleophiles is displayed. The electron pair is drawn using CHEMFORMLA 's <code>\chlewis</code> macro.		
<code>space = {<dim>}</code>		Default: <code>.1em</code>
Sets the space that is inserted between the electron pair and the negative charge sign.		

Both options can of course also be set with `\chemsetup`.

```

1 \ba[elpair=dots] \Nuc[elpair=dash]
2                               ba:- Nu-
3 \chemsetup[particles]{elpair=false}   ba- Nu-
4 \ba\ \Nuc

```

5.4.2. Defining Own Particle Macros

There are two sets of macros, one for defining particles and one for defining nucleophiles.

`\NewChemParticle{<cs>}{<formula>}`

Defines a new macro `<cs>`. `<formula>` is any valid **CHEMFORMLA** input (this depends on the setting of the `formula` option, see 6.2 starting on page 27). Raises an error if `<cs>` already exists.

`\RenewChemParticle{<cs>}{<formula>}`

Redefines a new macro `<cs>`. `<formula>` is any valid **CHEMFORMLA** input (this depends on the setting of the `formula` option, see 6.2 starting on page 27). Raises an error if `<cs>` doesn't exist.

`\DeclareChemParticle{<cs>}{<formula>}`

Defines a macro `<cs>`. `<formula>` is any valid **CHEMFORMLA** input (this depends on the setting of the `formula` option, see 6.2 starting on page 27). Silently overwrites `<cs>` if it exists.

`\ProvideChemParticle{<cs>}{<formula>}`

Defines a new macro `<cs>`. `<formula>` is any valid **CHEMFORMLA** input (this depends on the setting of the `formula` option, see 6.2 starting on page 27). Does nothing if `<cs>` already exists.

An example of usage is the definition of the existing particle macros:

```

1 \NewChemParticle\el {e-}
2 \NewChemParticle\prt{p+}
3 \NewChemParticle\ntr{n^0}

```

The following set defines macros like `\Nuc`

`\NewChemNucleophile{<cs>}{<formula>}`

Defines a new macro `<cs>`. `<formula>` is any valid **CHEMFORMLA** input (this depends on the setting of the `formula` option, see 6.2 starting on page 27). Note that `<formula>` will get a trailing negative charge! Raises an error if `<cs>` already exists.

\RenewChemNucleophile{\langle cs \rangle}{\langle formula \rangle}

Redefines a new macro $\langle cs \rangle$. $\langle formula \rangle$ is any valid **CHEMFORMLA** (this depends on the setting of the **formula** option, see 6.2 starting on page 27). Note that $\langle formula \rangle$ will get a trailing negative charge! Raises an error if $\langle cs \rangle$ doesn't exist.

\DeclareChemNucleophile{\langle cs \rangle}{\langle formula \rangle}

Defines a macro $\langle cs \rangle$. $\langle formula \rangle$ is any valid **CHEMFORMLA** (this depends on the setting of the **formula** option, see 6.2 starting on page 27). Note that $\langle formula \rangle$ will get a trailing negative charge! Silently overwrites $\langle cs \rangle$ if it exists.

\ProvideChemNucleophile{\langle cs \rangle}{\langle formula \rangle}

Defines a new macro $\langle cs \rangle$. $\langle formula \rangle$ is any valid **CHEMFORMLA** (this depends on the setting of the **formula** option, see 6.2 starting on page 27). Note that $\langle formula \rangle$ will get a trailing negative charge! Does nothing if $\langle cs \rangle$ already exists.

An example of usage is the definition of the existing nucleophile macros:

```

1 \NewChemNucleophile\Nuc{Nu}
2 \NewChemNucleophile\ba {ba}
```

A macro defined this way will have an optional argument for the **elpair** option.

5.5. The phases Module

The phases module loads the **chemformula** modul.

5.5.1. Basics

These commands are intended to indicate the phase of a compound.

```
\sld (s) \lqd (l) \gas (g) \aq (aq)
```

```

1 \ch{C\sld{} + 2 H2O\lqd{} -> CO2\gas{} + 2 H2\gas{}\par}
2 To make it complete: NaCl\aq.
```

$C(s) + 2 H_2O(l) \longrightarrow CO_2(g) + 2 H_2(g)$

To make it complete: $NaCl(aq)$.

The IUPAC recommendation to indicate the state of aggregation is to put it in parentheses after the compound [Coh+08]. However, you might want to put it as a subscript which is also very common.

The [...] symbols are used to represent the states of aggregation of chemical species.

The letters are appended to the formula in parentheses and should be printed in Roman (upright) type without a full stop (period). The IUPAC Green Book [Coh+08, p. 54]

There are two options to customize the output:

<code>pos = side sub</code>	<code>phases »</code>	Default: side
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Switch the position of the phase indicator.

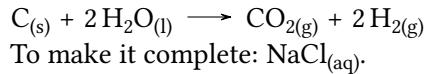
<code>space = {\langle dim \rangle}</code>	<code>phases »</code>	Default: .1333em
--	-----------------------	------------------

Change the default spacing between compound a phase indicator if `pos = {side}`. A TeX dimension.

```

1 \chemsetup[phases]{pos=sub}
2 \ch{C\sl d{} + 2 H2O\lqd{} -> CO2\gas{} + 2 H2\gas}\par
3 To make it complete: NaCl\aq.

```



All those phase commands have an optional argument:

```
1 \ch{H2O "\lqd[\SI{5}{\celsius}]"}
```

$H_2O(l, 5^\circ C)$

There is also a generic phase command:

\phase{<phase>}

If you need a phase indicator just once or twice. You can use it to denote a phase for which there is no phase command, yet.

5.5.2. Define Own Phases

Depending on the subject of your document you might need to indicate other states of aggregation. You can easily define them.

\NewChemPhase{<cs>}{<symbol>}

Define a new phase command. See section 5.5.3 on the next page for a way to define language dependent settings. Gives an error if <cs> already exists.

\DeclareChemPhase{<cs>}{<symbol>}

Define a new phase command. See section 5.5.3 on the following page for a way to define language dependent settings. Overwrites previous definitions of <cs>.

\RenewChemPhase{<cs>}{<symbol>}

Redefine an existing phase command. See section 5.5.3 on the next page for a way to define language dependent settings. Gives an error if <cs> is not defined.

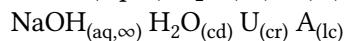
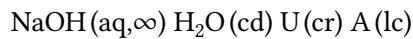
\ProvideChemPhase{<cs>}{<symbol>}

Define a new phase command. See section 5.5.3 on the following page for a way to define language dependent settings. Does nothing if <cs> is already defined.

```

1 % preamble:
2 \NewChemPhase\aqi{aq,$\infty$} % aqueous solution at infinite dilution
3 \NewChemPhase\cd {cd} % condensed phase
4 \NewChemPhase\lc {lc} % liquid crystal
5 \ch{NaOH\aqi} \ch{H2O\cd} \ch{U\phase{cr}} \ch{A\lc}\par
6 \chemsetup[phases]{pos=sub}
7 \ch{NaOH\aqi} \ch{H2O\cd} \ch{U\phase{cr}} \ch{A\lc}

```



5.5.3. Language Dependencies

For each phase command a translation into the custom language can be defined. If a phase is declared with \NewChemPhase no translation exists and for every babel language the literal string is used that was provided as a definition. Let's say you define the phase

```
1 \NewChemPhase\liquid{l}
```

and want to add the German translation "fl". Then you could do

```
1 \DeclareTranslation{German}{phase-liquid}{f\l}
```

This way, when you use it in a German document using the appropriate babel option using \liquid would correctly translate. For this the package translations [Nie20] is used. The ID always is phase-<csname> where <csname> is the name of the phase command you defined without leading backslash.

See section 6.5 starting on page 30 for predefined translations and general language options of **CHEMMACROS**.

5.6. The symbols Module

The symbols module defines a few symbols chemists need now and then. It loads the package amstext [MSoo].

\transitionstatesymbol

This is self-explaining: \pm

\standardstate

Again self-explaining: \ominus

\changestate

The uppercase delta used in ΔH for example.

6. Internal Modules

6.1. The base Module

The base module is the core module of **CHEMMACROS**. It defines some tools which can (and should) be used in other modules. This means this section is only interesting for you if you plan to write a module yourself (see section A starting on page 65 for details).

This module requires the packages bm [CM19], amstext [MSoo], and etoolbox [Leh19].

This module also provides \chemsetup and the option **modules**.

It also provides a number of (expl3) macros which may be used in other modules. In the macro descriptions below **TF** denotes that a T, an F and a TF variant exist. In case of an expandable conditional (*) also the predicate variant is available.

\chemmacros_if_loaded:nTF {package|class} {\langle name \rangle} {\langle true \rangle} {\langle false \rangle}

Checks if package (or class) $\langle name \rangle$ has been loaded. Also works after begin document.

\chemmacros_if_package_loaded:nTF {\langle name \rangle} {\langle true \rangle} {\langle false \rangle}

Checks if package $\langle name \rangle$ has been loaded. Also works after begin document.

\chemmacros_if_class_loaded:nTF {*name*} {{*true*} } {{*false*} }

Checks if class *name* has been loaded. Also works after begin document.

\chemmacros_nobreak:

Inserts a penalty of 10 000.

\chemmacros_allow_break:

Inserts a penalty of 0.

\chemmacros_skip_nobreak:N {*skip/length variable*}

Insert a horizontal skip where a linebreak is disallowed.

* \chemmacros_if_is_int:nTF {*input*} {{*true*} } {{*false*} }

Checks if *input* is an integer or something else.

\chemmacros_if_bold:T {*true*} {*false*}

Checks if the current font weight is one of b, bc, bm, bx, bux, eb, ebc, ebx, mb, sb, sbc, sbx, ub, ubc or ubx.

\chemmacros_bold:n {*text*}

Checks if the current font weight is bold and if yes places *text* in \textbf if in text mode or in \bm if in math mode. If no *text* simply is placed in the input stream as is.

\chemmacros_text:n {*text*}

Ensures that *text* is placed in text mode.

\chemmacros_math:n {*text*}

Ensures that *text* is placed in math mode.

\chemmacros_new_macroset:nnn {*name*} {*arg spec*} {*internal command call*}

Changed in version 5.3b () A command to define a set of macros \NewChem*name*, \RenewChem*name*, \DeclareChem*name* and \ProvideChem*name* where the first letter of *name* is converted to uppercase, other letters are kept unchanged. *arg spec* is any valid argument specification for xparse's \DeclareDocumentCommand [L3Pb]. *internal command call* should be a macro which makes definitions *without* error checks, *i.e.*, define new macros or redefine existing ones like \def does. This macro just should get the arguments passed on to. Have a look at the example below.

\chemmacros_new_environment_macroset:nnn {*name*} {*arg spec*} {*internal command call*}

Like \chemmacros_new_macroset:nnn but for environments.

\NewChemMacroset*{*name*} {*arg spec*} {*internal command call*}

A non-expl3 version of \chemmacros_new_macroset:nnn for L^AT_EX 2_& programmers. The starred version calls \chemmacros_new_environment_macroset:nnn.

\chemmacros_add_cleverref_support:nnnn {*counter*} {*singular*} {*plural*} {*uppercase singular*} {*uppercase plural*}

Introduced in version 5.6 (2016/05/02) A command to add suiting names for a counter for the cleverref package's \cref commands. This command acts at the end of the preamble and only if a user hasn't provided definitions with \crefname already.

\ChemCleverrefSupport{*counter*} {*singular*} [{*uppercase singular*}]{*plural*} [{*uppercase plural*}]

Introduced in version 5.6 L^AT_EX 2_&-version of \chemmacros_add_cleverref_support:nnnn.

`\chemmacros_add_fancyref_support:nnn {⟨prefix⟩} {⟨name⟩} {⟨uppercase name⟩}`

Introduced in version 5.6 A command to add suiting names for a counter for the fancyref package's `\fref` commands. This command acts at the end of the preamble and doesn't override definitions made by the users.

`\ChemFancyrefSupport{⟨prefix⟩}{⟨name⟩}[⟨uppercase name⟩]`

Introduced in version 5.6 L^AT_EX 2_E-version of `\chemmacros_add_fancyref_support:nnnn`.

This is how the macros `\NewChemParticle`, `\RenewChemParticle`, `\DeclareChemParticle` and `\ProvideChemParticle` were defined:

```

1 \NewChemMacroset {Particle} {mm}
2 { \chemmacros_define_particle:Nn #1 {#2} }
```

The following macros strictly speaking are not provided by the base module but this place fits best for their description.

- * `\chemmacros_if_module_exist:nTF {⟨module⟩} {⟨true⟩} {⟨false⟩}`

Checks if a file with the correct name for a module `⟨module⟩` can be found.

- * `\chemmacros_if_module_loaded:nTF {⟨module⟩} {⟨true⟩} {⟨false⟩}`

Checks if the module `⟨module⟩` has already been loaded or not.

`\chemmacros_load_module:n {⟨module⟩}`

Loads module `⟨module⟩` if it hasn't been loaded, yet.

`\chemmacros_load_modules:n {⟨csv list of modules⟩}`

Loads every module in `⟨csv list of modules⟩` if they haven't been loaded, yet. This is the code level variant of `\usechemmodule`.

`\chemmacros_before_module:nn {⟨module⟩} {⟨code⟩}`

Introduces saves `⟨code⟩` and inserts it right before `⟨module⟩` is loaded. If `⟨module⟩` is never loaded then in version 5.6 `⟨code⟩` is never inserted. If `⟨module⟩` already is loaded when the command is used then `⟨code⟩` (2015/09/23) also is never inserted.

`\chemmacros_after_module:nn {⟨module⟩} {⟨code⟩}`

Introduces saves `⟨code⟩` and inserts it right after `⟨module⟩` is loaded. If `⟨module⟩` is never loaded then in version 5.6 `⟨code⟩` is never inserted. If `⟨module⟩` already is loaded when the command is used then `⟨code⟩` is inserted immediately.

6.2. The chemformula Module

The `chemformula` module loads the `amstext` package [MSoo] and the `charges` module.

6.2.1. For Users

There are different packages which provide means for typesetting chemical formulas:

- `chemformula` [Nie19]. This is probably well known to users of `CHEMMACROS`.
- `mhchem` [Hen18]. This is the “older brother” of `CHEMFOMULA`.
- `chemfig` [Tel19]. The easiest and most complete of the packages for drawing skeletal formulas.

- $\text{\texttt{X}}\text{\texttt{M}}\text{\texttt{T}}\text{\texttt{E}}\text{\texttt{X}}$ [Fuj13]. A very comprehensive alternative for typesetting chemistry.

In order to help authors getting a consistent layout **CHEMMACROS** does not make a choice which package to use for typesetting formulas. Although **CHEMFORMLA** is well tested and preferred users can choose other packages if they like.

this is done with the following general option:

formula = {*<method>*} Default: **chemformula**

Introduced in
version 5.1

This option let's you choose how chemical formulas are typeset. Available methods are

- **chemformula**

- **mhchem**

- **chemist** (from the $\text{\texttt{X}}\text{\texttt{M}}\text{\texttt{T}}\text{\texttt{E}}\text{\texttt{X}}$ bundle)

- **chemfig**

Introduced in
version 5.6
Introduced in
version 5.6

The corresponding package with the same name is loaded.

Introduced
in version 5.2
(2015/10/14)

If you explicitly set this option the corresponding package is loaded immediately and the method is set up. Otherwise the option will be set by **CHEMMACROS** at the end of the preamble.

If you load a method package in a way that a unique choice is possible then **CHEMMACROS** will set the method accordingly if you haven't set the option by yourself. If no unique choice is possible **CHEMMACROS** will raise a warning and choose **chemformula** regardless if the package is loaded or not. In this case if you want to use another method you'll have to choose manually.
All automatic choices only happen at the end of the preamble.

Using the chemformula Package If you set **formula** = {**chemformula**} the **chemformula** module makes it possible that you can set all **CHEMFORMLA** options via the **\chemsetup** command using the module **chemformula**, for example:

```
1 \chemsetup[chemformula]{format=\sffamily}
```

Everywhere where **CHEMMACROS** typesets chemical formulas **CHEMFORMLA**'s macros **\chcpd** or **\ch** are used, for example in the reaction environments provided by the **reactions** module.

This method is the recommended choice!

Introduced in
version 5.1

Using the mhchem Package If you set **formula** = {**mhchem**} the **chemformula** module makes it possible that you can set all of **mhchem**'s options via the **\chemsetup** command using the module **mhchem**, for example:

```
1 \chemsetup[mhchem]{format=\sffamily}
```

Everywhere where **CHEMMACROS** typesets chemical formulas **mhchem**'s macro **\ce** is used, for example in the reaction environments provided by the **reactions** module.

There are some *caveats* if you use this method:

- This method has not been extensively tested, yet. There may be errors and wrong output at unexpected places.

- Using this method effectively disables the different values of the `particles` option `elpair` (see section 5.4).
- The different kinds of formal charges provided by the `charges` module (see section 5.2.2) are disabled. Formal charges always use the math method now.
- There may also be other incompatibilities (*e.g.*, `mhchem` has its own method of setting upright Greek letters so it may or may not disable `CHEMMACROS`' mechanism).

Introduced in
version 5.6

Using the `chemfig` Package Everywhere where `CHEMMACROS` typesets chemical formulas `chemfig`'s macro `\printatom` is used, for example in the reaction environments provided by the `reactions` module.

There are some *caveats* if you use this method:

- This method has not been extensively tested, yet. There may be errors and wrong output at unexpected places.
- Using this method effectively disables the different values of the `particles` option `elpair` (see section 5.4).
- The different kinds of formal charges provided by the `charges` module (see section 5.2.2) are disabled. Formal charges always use the math method now.
- The reaction environments by the `reactions` module may work only to a limited respect. If you plan to use them consider using methods `chemformula` or `mhchem` instead.

Introduced in
version 5.6

Using the `chemist` Package Everywhere where `CHEMMACROS` typesets chemical formulas `chemist`'s macro `\ChemForm` is used, for example in the reaction environments provided by the `reactions` module.

There are some *caveats* if you use this method:

- This method has not been extensively tested, yet. There may be errors and wrong output at unexpected places.
- Using this method effectively disables the different values of the `particles` option `elpair` (see section 5.4).
- The different kinds of formal charges provided by the `charges` module (see section 5.2.2) are disabled. Formal charges always use the math method now.
- The reaction environments by the `reactions` module may work only to a limited respect. If you plan to use them consider using methods `chemformula` or `mhchem` instead.⁶

6.2.2. For Module Writers

There are two macros for module writers:

`\chemmacro_chemformula:n {<formula>}`

This is only a wrapper for `\chcpd` or `\ce`. It is recommended that module writers use this macro (or a variant thereof) inside of `CHEMMACROS`' macros whenever they want to display a chemical formula. Writers who prefer traditional $\text{\LaTeX}\ 2\epsilon$ programming over `expl3` should use `\chemmacro@formula`.

6. On the other hand \XeLaTeX (and especially the `chemist` package) provides quite a number of chemical reaction environments itself.

\chemmacros_reaction:n {⟨reaction⟩}

This is only a wrapper for `\ch` or `\ce`. It is recommended that module writers use this macro (or a variant thereof) inside of `CHEMMACROS`' macros whenever they want to display a chemical reaction. Writers who prefer traditional L^AT_EX 2_E programming over `expl3` should use `\chemmacros@reaction`.

6.3. The errorcheck Module

Introduced in version 5.2

The `errorcheck` module provides some rudimentary support for giving users more meaningful messages when they use a command or environment provided by a module that they haven't loaded.

6.4. The greek Module

The `greek` module loads the `chemgreek` package [Nie16a].

This module provides one option:

greek = {⟨mapping⟩}

A valid value is any valid `CHEMGREEK` ⟨mapping⟩. `CHEMMACROS` will warn you if no mapping has been chosen or if you are using the `default` or the `var-default` mapping because this means that no upright Greek letters are available.

If you load a `CHEMGREEK` support package which allows an unambiguous choice of a mapping `CHEMGREEK` will make this choice automatically. This means if you say

```
1 \usepackage{upgreek}
2 \usepackage{chemmacros}
```

then `CHEMMACROS` will use `upgreek`'s upright Greek letters. If you have

```
1 \usepackage{upgreek}
2 \usepackage{chemmacros}
3 \usepackage{textgreek}
```

then no unambiguous choice is possible and you should choose a mapping yourself, for example:

```
1 \usepackage{upgreek}
2 \usepackage{chemmacros}
3 \usepackage{textgreek}
4 \chemsetup{greek=textgreek}
```

For further details on mappings please refer to `CHEMGREEK`'s manual.

6.5. The lang Module

The `lang` module provides language support for `CHEMMACROS`. It loads the package translations [Nie20].

6.5.1. Information For Users

This module defines the following option:

`language = auto | <language>` Default: auto
 If set to auto **CHEMMACROS** will detect the language used by babel [Bra19] or polyglossia [Cha19] automatically, the fallback translation is English and will be used if no translation for the actual language is available. Any language known to the translations package is a valid value for `<language>`.

The language chosen via `language` is used for translation of certain strings in different places all over **CHEMMACROS**. They are mentioned in the places when the corresponding function of **CHEMMACROS** is explained.

Translation is done with the help of the translations package, available translation keys are listed in section 6.5.2.

6.5.2. Available Translation Keys

Table 3 on the following page lists all predefined translations of the available keys. *Some of the translations have changed in version 5.6*. The lang module doesn't provide the translations themselves^{5,6} they are provided by the corresponding modules. A translation key is a unique string⁷ of characters. Each key is used to identify a replacement text which depends on the current language or the language set through the `language` option. For each key at least the English fallback translation is provided, for most also the German translation is provided. For a few keys also other translations are provided. If you find that a translation for your language is missing you can provide it in the preamble:

`\DeclareChemTranslation{<key>}{{<language>}}{<translation>}`

Introduced in version 5.6

A command which makes an abstraction from the translations package. It should be used in documents for adding missing translations that are needed. This command can only be used in the preamble.

`\DeclareChemTranslations{<key>}{{<language>}}{<translation>}`

Introduced in version 5.6

A command rather meant for module writers but can be used by document authors as well, of course. It gets a csv list of key/value pairs of translations. This command can only be used in the preamble.

If you send me an email (see section B starting on page 66) with the translations for your language I'll gladly add them to the next release of **CHEMMACROS**!

Please do not use translations' \DeclareTranslation for declaring translations.

TABLE 3: Translation keys predefined by **CHEMMACROS** (except phase-aqi, phase-cd and phase-lc which were defined in this document).

key	language	translation
K-acid	fallback	<code>\mathrm{a}</code>
K-base	fallback	<code>\mathrm{b}</code>
K-water	fallback	<code>\mathrm{w}</code>
K-acid	German	<code>\mathrm{s}</code>

continues

7. That is, a string using the definition for strings used for expl3, i.e., converted to a series of category code 12 characters..

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key	language	translation
K-acid	Dutch	\mathrm {z}
phase-sld	fallback	s
phase-lqd	fallback	l
phase-gas	fallback	g
phase-aq	fallback	aq
phase-sld	German	f
phase-lqd	German	f\l
list-of-reactions	fallback	List of Reactions
list-of-reactions	English	List of Reactions
list-of-reactions	German	Reaktionsverzeichnis
list-of-reactions	Italian	Elenco delle reazioni
list-of-reactions	French	Table des r\'{e}actions
list-of-reactions	Dutch	Lijst van reacties
list-of-reactions	Norwegian	Reaksjonsliste
list-of-reactions	Nynorsk	Reaksjonsliste
reaction	fallback	reaction
reaction	English	reaction
reaction	German	Reaktion
reaction	Italian	reazione
reaction	French	r\'{e}action
reaction	Dutch	reactie
reaction	Norwegian	reaksjon
reaction	Nynorsk	reaksjon
reactions	fallback	reactions
reactions	English	reactions
reactions	German	Reaktionen
reactions	Italian	reazioni
reactions	French	r\'{e}actions
reactions	Dutch	reacties
reactions	Norwegian	reaksjoner
reactions	Nynorsk	reaksjonar
Reaction	fallback	Reaction
Reaction	English	Reaction
Reaction	German	Reaktion
Reaction	Italian	Reazione
Reaction	French	R\'{e}action
Reaction	Dutch	Reactie
Reaction	Norwegian	Reaksjon
Reaction	Nynorsk	Reaksjon
Reactions	fallback	Reactions
Reactions	English	Reactions
Reactions	German	Reaktionen
Reactions	Italian	Reazioni
Reactions	French	R\'{e}actions
Reactions	Dutch	Reacties
Reactions	Norwegian	Reaksjoner
Reactions	Nynorsk	Reaksjonar

continues

key	language	translation
scheme-name	fallback	Scheme
scheme-name	English	Scheme
scheme-name	German	Schema
scheme-name	Norwegian	Skjema
scheme-name	Nynorsk	Skjema
scheme-list	fallback	List of Schemes
scheme-list	English	List of Schemes
scheme-list	German	Verzeichnis der Schemata
scheme-list	Norwegian	Skjemaliste
scheme-list	Nynorsk	Skjemaliste
scheme	fallback	scheme
scheme	English	scheme
scheme	German	Schema
scheme	Norwegian	skjema
scheme	Nynorsk	skjema
Scheme	fallback	Scheme
Scheme	English	Scheme
Scheme	German	Schema
Scheme	Norwegian	Skjema
Scheme	Nynorsk	Skjema
schemes	fallback	schemes
schemes	English	schemes
schemes	German	Schemata
schemes	Norwegian	skjema
schemes	Nynorsk	skjema
Schemes	fallback	Schemes
Schemes	English	Schemes
Schemes	German	Schemata
Schemes	Norwegian	Skjema
Schemes	Nynorsk	Skjema
phase-aqi	fallback	aq,\$\infty \$
phase-cd	fallback	cd
phase-lc	fallback	lc

6.5.3. Information For Module Writers

In addition to the commands from section 6.5.2 starting on page 30 the following macros are available:

* \chemmacros_translate:n {\langle translation key\rangle}

Translates the given key to the language which is detected automatically or given by the user. Should be used in **CHEMMACROS**' macros instead of translations' \GetTranslation.

\l_chemmacros_language_tl

A token list variable that holds the language which is used by \chemmacros_translate:n for translation, *after begin document*.

\ChemTranslate{\langle translation key\rangle}

A version of \chemmacros_translate:n for those who prefer traditional L^AT_EX 2_E programming

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over `expl3`.

`\chemmacros_declare_translation:nnn{<language>}{<key>}{<translation>}`

The `expl3` version of `\DeclareChemTranslation`.

`\chemmacros_declare_translations:nn{<key>}{{<language>} = <translation>}`

The `expl3` version of `\DeclareChemTranslations`.

Part III.

Additional Modules

7. User Modules

7.1. The `all` pseudo-module

The `all` module is a pseudo module: it doesn't define any functionality at all. It does however load all other modules. So you can say

```
1 \chemsetup{ modules = all }
```

to ensure that every module is available. This *will not* load personal modules!

7.2. The `isotopes` Module

The `isotope` module loads the `elements` package [Nie15]. This module defines one user command:

```
\isotope*{<input>}
```

`<input>` can either be the *symbol* of an element or the *name* of an element. Be aware that *the name is language dependent*, refer to the manual of the `elements` package for details. To be on the safe side use the element symbol.

`<input>` can also be comma separated list: `\isotope{<nuc>,<symbol>}`. If you leave `<nuc>` out then `\isotope` will display the most common isotope. Otherwise `<nuc>` will be used. If `<nuc>` is an isotope unknown to the `elements` package `\isotope` will write a warning to the log file.

The starred variant omits the element number.

```
1 \isotope{C}
2 \isotope*{C}
3 \isotope{14,C}
4 \isotope*{14,C}
```

$^{12}_6\text{C}$ ^{12}C $^{14}_6\text{C}$ ^{14}C

As input for the element symbol you can choose any of the elements known to the `elements` package.

There are options which allow you to determine how the isotope is printed:

<code>isotopes » format = super side</code>	Default: super
Either print the isotope number as superscript or to the right of the element symbol.	
<code>isotopes » side-connect = {<input>}</code>	Default: -
Determine what is printed between the element symbol and the isotope number if <code>format = {side}</code> .	

```

1 \isotope{C}
2 \chemsetup[isotopes]{format=side}
3 \isotope{C}           $^{12}_6\text{C}$  C-12 C12
4 \chemsetup[isotopes]{side-connect=}
5 \isotope{C}

```

7.3. The mechanisms Module

The module `mechanisms` loads the package `amstext` [MSoo]. It provides one macro:

`\mech[⟨type⟩]`

Allows to specify the most common reaction mechanisms.

⟨type⟩ can have one of the following values:

`\mech`

(empty, no opt. argument) nucleophilic substitution S_N

`\mech[1]`

unimolecular nucleophilic substitution S_{N1}

`\mech[2]`

bimolecular nucleophilic substitution S_{N2}

`\mech[se]`

electrophilic substitution S_E

`\mech[1e]`

unimolecular electrophilic substitution S_{E1}

`\mech[2e]`

bimolecular electrophilic substitution S_{E2}

`\mech[ar]`

electrophilic aromatic substitution Ar-S_E

`\mech[e]`

elimination E

`\mech[e1]`

unimolecular elimination E₁

`\mech[e2]`

bimolecular elimination E₂

`\mech[cb]`

unimolecular elimination “conjugated base”, *i. e.*, via carbanion E_{1cb}

7.4. The newman Module

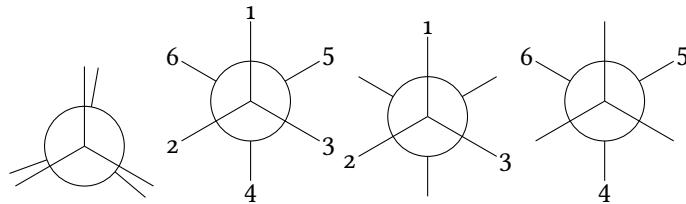
The `newman` module provides a command for drawing Newman projections. It loads the `tikz` module.

```
\newman[<options>](<angle>){<1>,<2>,<3>,<4>,<5>,<6>}
```

Create Newman projections. This command uses TikZ internally. `<angle>` rotates the back atoms counter clockwise with respect to the front atoms and is an optional argument. `<1>` to `<6>` are the positions, the first three are the front atoms, the last three the back atoms.

```

1 \newman{} \newman(170){}
2 \newman{1,2,3,4,5,6} \newman{1,2,3} \newman{,,,4,5,6}
```



Several options allow customization:

`newman » angle = {<angle>}` Default: 0
Default angle.

`newman » scale = {<factor>}` Default: 1
Scale the whole projection by factor `<factor>`.

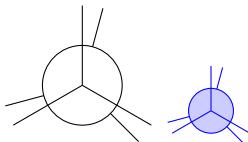
`newman » ring = {<tikz>}` (initially empty)
Customize the ring with TikZ keys.

`newman » atoms = {<tikz>}` (initially empty)
Customize the nodes within which the atoms are set with TikZ keys.

`newman » back-atoms = {<tikz>}` (initially empty)
Explicitly customize the nodes of the back atoms with TikZ keys.

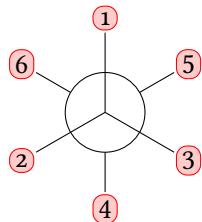
```

1 \chemsetup[newman]{angle=45} \newman{}
2 \newman[scale=.75,ring={draw=blue,fill=blue!20}]{}{}
```



```

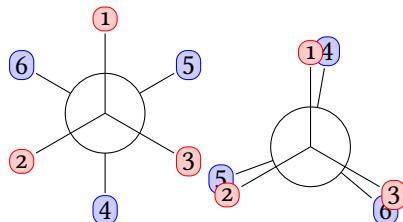
1 \chemsetup[newman]{atoms={draw=red,fill=red!20,inner sep=2pt,rounded corners
    }}
2 \newman{1,2,3,4,5,6}
```



```

1 \chemsetup[newman]{
2   atoms = {draw=red,fill=red!20,inner sep=2pt,rounded corners},
3   back-atoms = {draw=blue,fill=blue!20,inner sep=2pt,rounded corners}
4 }
5 \newman{1,2,3,4,5,6} \newman(170){1,2,3,4,5,6}

```



7.5. The orbital Module

The `orbital` module loads the `tikz` module. It provides the following command to create orbitals:

`\orbital[<options>]{<type>}`

Draw an orbital shape of type `<type>`. This command uses TikZ internally.

There are the following types available for `<type>`:

s p sp sp2 sp3

```

1 \orbital{s} \orbital{p} \orbital{sp} \orbital{sp2} \orbital{sp3}

```



Depending on the type you have different options to modify the orbitals:

`orbital » phase = + | -`

Default: +

changes the phase of the orbital (all types)

`orbital » scale = {<factor>}`

Default: 1

changes the size of the orbital (all types)

`orbital » color = {<color>}`

Default: black

changes the color of the orbital (all types)

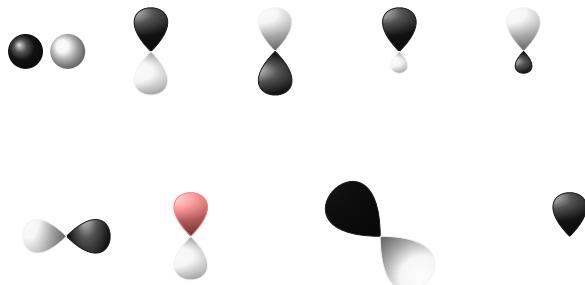
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orbital » angle = {⟨angle⟩}	Default: 0
rotates the orbitals with a p contribution counter clockwise (all types except s)	
orbital » half = true false	Default: false
displays only half an orbital (only p)	

```

1 \orbital{s} \orbital[phase=-]{s}
2 \orbital{p} \orbital[phase=-]{p}
3 \orbital{sp3} \orbital[phase=-]{sp3}
4
5 \orbital[angle=0]{p} \orbital[color=red!50]{p}
6 \orbital[angle=135,scale=1.5]{p} \orbital[half]{p}

```



Additionally there are two options, with which the TikZ behaviour can be changed.

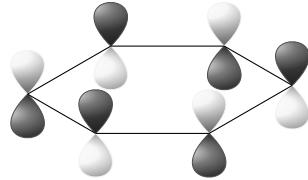
orbital » overlay = true false
The orbital “doesn't need space”; it is displayed with the TikZ option <code>overlay</code> .

orbital » opacity = {⟨num⟩}
The orbital becomes transparent; ⟨value⟩ can have values between 1 (fully opaque) to 0 (invisible).

```

1 \vspace{7mm}
2 \chemsetup[orbital]{
3   overlay,
4   p/color = black!70
5 }
6 \setchemfig{bond offset=0pt}
7 \chemfig{
8   ?\orbital{p}
9   -[,1.3]{\orbital[phase=-]{p}}
10  -[:30,1.1]\orbital{p}
11  -[:150,.9]{\orbital[phase=-]{p}}
12  -[4,1.3]\orbital{p}
13  -[:-150,1.1]{\orbital[phase=-]{p}}?
14 }
15 \vspace{7mm}

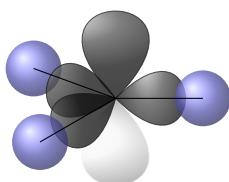
```



```

1 \vspace{7mm}
2 \setchemfig{bond offset = 0pt}
3 \chemsetup[orbital]{
4   overlay ,
5   opacity = .75 ,
6   p/scale = 1.6 ,
7   s/color = blue!50 ,
8   s/scale = 1.6
9 }
10 \chemfig{
11   \orbital[s]
12   -[:-20]{\orbital[scale=2]{p}}
13   {\orbital[half,angle=0]{p}}
14   {\orbital[angle=170,half]{p}}
15   {\orbital[angle=-150,half]{p}}
16   (-[:-150]\orbital[s])-\orbital[s]
17 }
18 \vspace{1cm}

```



7.6. The polymers Module

Introduced
in version 5.5
(2016/03/08)

The `polymers` module loads the `nomenclature` and the `tikz` modules.

7.6.1. Nomenclature

The `polymers` module defines a number of IUPAC macros for usage inside `\iupac` which are used in polymer chemistry.

Copolymers

`\copolymer co`

unspecified copolymer. An alias for this command is `\co`.

`\statistical stat`

statistical copolymer. An alias for this command is `\stat`.

\random *ran*
 random copolymer. An alias for this command is \ran.

\alternating *alt*
 alternating copolymer. An alias for this command is \alt.

\periodic *per*
 periodic copolymer. An alias for this command is \per.

\block *block*
 block copolymer.

\graft *graft*
 graft copolymer.

Non-linear (Co) Polymers and Polymer Assemblies

\blend *blend*
 The blend qualifier.

\comb *comb*
 The comb qualifier.

\complex *compl*
 The complex qualifier. An alias for this command is \compl.

\cyclic *cyclo*
 The cyclic qualifier. An alias for this command is \cyclo.

\branch *branch*
 The branch qualifier.

\network *net*
 The network qualifier. An alias for this command is \net.

\ipnetwork *ipn*
 The interpenetrating network qualifier. An alias for this command is \ipn.

\sipnetwork *sipn*
 The semi-interpenetrating network qualifier. An alias for this command is \sipn.

\star *star*
 The star qualifier.

7.6.2. Polymer Denotations in chemfig's Molecules

The chemfig manual proposes some code defining the macros \setpolymerdelim and \makebraces which make it possible to add delimiters to chemfig molecules. The polymers module implements the following macro based on the same idea:

\makepolymerdelims[*options*]{{*height*}}[*depth*]{{*opening node*}}{{*closing node*}}
 The value of *depth* is the same as *height* unless it is specified explicitly. *opening node* and *closing node* are the names of TikZ' nodes where the delimits are placed.

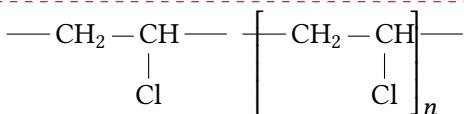
<code>polymers » delimiters = {<left><right>}</code>	Default: []
This option demands two tokens as argument, the first being the opening brace, the second the closing brace. A dot (.) denotes an empty delimiter.	
<code>polymers » subscript = {<subscript>}</code>	Default: \$n\$
Subscript to the right delimiter.	

<code>polymers » superscript = {<superscript>}</code>	
Superscript to the right delimiter.	

```

1 \setchemfig{atom sep=2em}
2 \chemfig{-[@{op,.75}]CH_2-CH(-[6]Cl)-[@{cl,0.25}]}
3 \makepolymerdelims{5pt}{27pt}{op}{cl}
4 \chemfig{-[@{op,.75}]CH_2-CH(-[6]Cl)-[@{cl,0.25}]}
5 \makepolymerdelims[delimiters={()}]{5pt}{27pt}{op}{cl}

```



7.7. The reactions Module

The `reactions` module loads the `chemformula` module and the `mathtools` package [MRW19].

7.7.1. Predefined Environments

You can use these environments for numbered...

`\begin{reaction}`

A single reaction where `CHEMFORMULA` code is placed directly in the environment body. A wrapper around the `equation` environment. The environment body is parsed with `\ch` or `\ce` depending on the value of the `formula` option, see section 6.2 starting on page 27.

`\begin{reactions}`

Several aligned reactions. A wrapper around `amsmath`'s `align` environment. The environment body is parsed with `\ch` or `\ce` depending on the value of the `formula` option, see section 6.2 starting on page 27.

...and their starred versions for unnumbered reactions.

`\begin{reaction*}`

A wrapper around the `equation*` environment. The environment body is parsed with `\ch` or `\ce` depending on the value of the `formula` option, see section 6.2 starting on page 27.

`\begin{reactions*}`

A wrapper around `amsmath`'s `align*` environment. The environment body is parsed with `\ch` or `\ce` depending on the value of the `formula` option, see section 6.2 starting on page 27.

With those environments you can create (un)numbered reaction equations similar to mathematical equations.

These environments use the `equation/equation*` environments or the `align/align*` environments, respectively, to display the reactions.

```

1 Reaction with counter:
2 \begin{reaction}
3   A -> B
4 \end{reaction}
```

Reaction with counter:

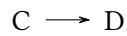


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```

1 Reaction without counter:
2 \begin{reaction*}
3   C -> D
4 \end{reaction*}
```

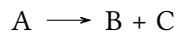
Reaction without counter:



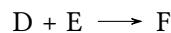
```

1 Several aligned reactions with counter:
2 \begin{reactions}
3   A &-> B + C \\
4   D + E &-> F
5 \end{reactions}
```

Several aligned reactions with counter:



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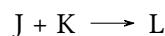


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```

1 Several aligned reactions without counter:
2 \begin{reactions*}
3   G &-> H + I \\
4   J + K &-> L
5 \end{reactions*}
```

Several aligned reactions without counter:



If you want to change the layout of the counter tags, you can use

`\renewtagform{\langle tagname\rangle}{\langle format\rangle}{\langle left delimiter\rangle}{\langle right delimiter\rangle}`
Provided by the `mathtools` package.

or use the following options:

`reactions » tag-open = {\langle left delimiter\rangle}`

Default: {

Introduced in
version 5.6

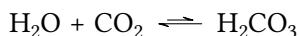
The left delimiter.

reactions » tag-close = {⟨right delimiter⟩}	Default: }
Introduced in version 5.6	The right delimiter.
reactions » before-tag = {⟨format⟩}	(initially empty)
Introduced in version 5.6	Code inserted before the tags.

```

1 \chemsetup[reactions]{
2   before-tag = R \textbf{ , }
3   tag-open = [ ,
4   tag-close = ]
5 }
6 \begin{reaction}
7   H2O + CO2 <=> H2CO3
8 \end{reaction}

```



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The use of *AMSmath's* **\intertext** is possible:

```

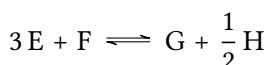
1 \begin{reactions}
2   A + 2 B &-> 3 C + D "\label{rxn:test}"
3   \intertext{Some text in between aligned reactions}
4   3 E + F &<=> G + 1/2 H
5 \end{reactions}
6 See reaction~\ref{rxn:test}.

```



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Some text in between aligned reactions



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See reaction 5.

Introduced in version 5.6

If you are using either `cleveref` or `fancyref` the reaction counter is supported already. For `fancyref` use the prefix `rct`.

7.7.2. Own Reactions

You can create new types of reactions with the command:

\NewChemReaction{⟨name⟩}[⟨number of arguments⟩]{⟨math name⟩}

⟨name⟩ will be the name of the new chem environment. ⟨math name⟩ is the underlying math environment. Gives an error if ⟨name⟩ already exists.

\RenewChemReaction{⟨name⟩}[⟨number of arguments⟩]{⟨math name⟩}

⟨name⟩ is the name of the renewed chem environment. ⟨math name⟩ is the underlying math environment. Gives an error if ⟨name⟩ does not exist.

\DeclareChemReaction{\<name\>}[\<number of arguments\>]{\<math name\>}

\<name\> will be the name of the chem environment. \<math name\> is the underlying math environment.

\ProvideChemReaction{\<name\>}[\<number of arguments\>]{\<math name\>}

\<name\> will be the name of the new chem environment. \<math name\> is the underlying math environment. The new environment is only defined if it doesn't exist, yet.

```

1 \NewChemReaction{reaction} {equation}
2 \NewChemReaction{reaction*} {equation*}
3 \NewChemReaction{reactions} {align}
4 \NewChemReaction{reactions*}{align*}
```

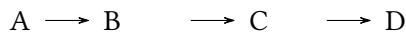
Let's suppose, you'd like to have the alignment behaviour of the alignat environment for CHEMFORMULA reactions. You could do the following:

```
1 \NewChemReaction{reactionsat}[1]{alignat}
```

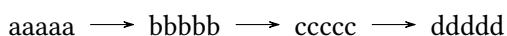
With this the reactionsat environment is defined.

```

1 \NewChemReaction{reactionsat}[1]{alignat}
2 \NewChemReaction{reactionsat*}[1]{alignat*}
3 \begin{reactionsat}{3}
4 A &-> B &&-> C &&-> D \\
5 aaaaa &-> bbbbb &&-> ccccc &&-> ddddd
6 \end{reactionsat}
7 \begin{reactionsat*}{2}
8 A &-> B & C &-> D \\
9 aaaaa &-> bbbbb &\quad{} ccccc &-> ddddd
10 \end{reactionsat*}
```



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7.7.3. List of Reactions

The reactions module also provides a command to display a list of the reactions created with the reaction environment.

\listofreactions

Print a list of reactions.

```
1 \listofreactions
```

List of Reactions

Reaction {1}	42
Reaction {2}	42
Reaction {3}	42
Reaction [R 4]	43
Reaction {5}	43
Reaction {6}	43
Reaction {7}	44
Reaction {8}	44
Reaction {9}: Autoprotolyse	45
Reaction {10}: first step of chain	46
Reaction {11}: second step of chain	46

The output of this list can be modified by two options:

reactions » `list-name` = {*<name of the list>*} Default: `\ChemTranslate{list-of-reactions}`

Let's you set the name of the list manually. The default name is language dependent, see section 6.5 starting on page 30.

reactions » `list-entry` = {*<prefix to each entry>*} Default: `\ChemTranslate{reaction}`

Let's you set a prefix to each list entry. The default name is language dependent, see section 6.5 starting on page 30.

reactions » `list-heading-cmd` = {*<code>*} Default: `\section*{#1}`

Introduced in version 5.2 The macro that is called at the beginning of the list. Inside of *<code>* #1 refers to the actual heading of the list. The default setting is not entirely true: if a macro `\chapter` is defined `\chapter*{#1}` is used.

reactions » `tocbasic` = true|false Default: `false`

Introduced in version 5.6 If you use a KOMA-Script class or if you load the `tocbasic` package or if you set this option to true the list of reactions will be set up using the `tocbasic` package. This *disables* the `list-heading-cmd` option. For a KOMA-Script class this means that the list of reactions obeys KOMA-Script's `listof` option.

Instead of using the option `list-name` you also could redefine `\reactionlistname`.

The list lists all reactions with a number and disregards reactions without number. All reaction environments without star have an optional argument which let's you add a description (or caption) for the entry in the list.

```
1 \begin{reaction}[Autoprotolyse]
2   2 H2O <=> H3O+ + OH-
3 \end{reaction}
```



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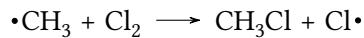
If you use the `reactions` environment this will not work, though. In this case you can use

\AddRxnDesc{\langle description \rangle}

Add a description to a reaction.

```

1 \begin{reactions}
2   "\chlewis{0.}{Cl}" + CH4  &
3   -> HCl + "\chlewis{180.}{C}" H3 \AddRxnDesc{first-step-of~chain} \\
4   "\chlewis{180.}{C}" H3 + Cl2 &
5   -> CH3Cl + "\chlewis{0.}{Cl}" \AddRxnDesc{second-step-of~chain}
6 \end{reactions}
```



7.1. The redox Module

The redox module loads the modules `tikz` and `xfrac`. It also loads the packages `math-tools` [MRW19] and `relsize` [Ars13].

7.1.1. Oxidation Numbers

Regarding the typesetting of oxidation numbers *The IUPAC Green Book* [Coh+08] says the following:

Oxidation numbers are denoted by positive or negative Roman numerals or by zero [...]

Examples Mn^{VII}, manganese (VII), O^{-II}, Ni⁰

[Coh+08, p. 50]

The following command is provided to set oxidation numbers:

\ox*[⟨options⟩]{⟨number⟩,⟨atom⟩}

Places ⟨number⟩ as right superscript to ⟨atom⟩; ⟨number⟩ has to be a (rational) number! ⟨atom⟩ is treated as a `CHEMFORMLA` formula, like it would be in `\chcpd` (this depends on the setting of the `formula` option, see 6.2 starting on page 27).

```

1 \ox{+1,Na}, \ox{2,Ca}, \ox{-2,S}, \ox{-1,F}
```

$$\text{Na}^{\text{I}}, \text{Ca}^{\text{II}}, \text{S}^{-\text{II}}, \text{F}^{-\text{I}}$$

There are a number of options that can be used to modify the typeset result:

`redox » format = {⟨code⟩}`

Introduced in version 5.11 (2020/03/07)
Allows to apply arbitrary ⟨code⟩ in front of the typeset oxidation numbers. The last command may expect the oxidation number as an argument. An example might be `\textcolor{red}{\text{...}}`.

`redox » parse = true|false`

Default: true

When `false` an arbitrary entry can be used for ⟨number⟩.

`redox » roman = true|false`

Default: false

Switches from roman to arabic numbers.

`redox » pos = top|super|side` Default: super
 top places $\langle number \rangle$ above $\langle atom \rangle$, super to the upper right as superscript and side to the right and inside brackets. Both super and side follow IUPAC recommendation, top does not!

`redox » explicit-sign = true|false` Default: false
 Shows the + for positive numbers and the ± for 0.

`redox » izit-zero-sign = true|false` Default: true
 Only if both `explicit-sign` and `explicit-zero-sign` are set to true ± 0 will be printed.

`redox » decimal-marker redoxma|point` Default: point
 Choice for the decimal marker for formal oxidation numbers like $X^{1.2}$.

`redox » align = center|right` Default: center
 Center the oxidation number relative to the atom or right-align it.

`redox » ide-connect = {{code}}` Default: \ ,
 Code that is inserted between atom and oxidation number if `pos = {side}` is used.

`redox » text-fraç = {{cs}}` Default: \chemfrac{text}{#1}{#2}
 The fraction macro that is used for fractions if `pos = {side}` is used. $\langle cs \rangle$ must be a macro that takes two mandatory arguments, the first for the numerator and the second for the denominator.

`redox » super-fraç = {{cs}}` Default: \chemfrac{superscript}{#1}{#2}
 The fraction macro that is used for fractions if `pos = {top}` or `pos = {super}` is used. $\langle cs \rangle$ must be a macro that takes two mandatory arguments, the first for the numerator and the second for the denominator.

```

1 \ox[roman=false]{2,Ca} \ox{2,Ca} \\
2 \ox[pos=top]{3,Fe}-Oxide \\
3 \ox[pos=side]{3,Fe}-Oxide \\
4 \ox[parse=false]{?,Mn} \\
5 \ox[pos=top,align=right]{2,Ca}

```

Ca^2	Ca^{II}
Fe -Oxide	
Fe (III)-Oxide	
$\text{Mn}^?$	
Ca	

The `pos = {top}` variant also can be set with the shortcut `\ox*`:

```

1 \ox{3,Fe} \ox*{3,Fe}

```

Fe^{III}	Fe^{III}
--------------------------	--------------------------

Using the `explicit-sign` option will always show the sign of the oxidation number:

```

1 \chemsetup[redox]{explicit-sign = true}
2 \ox{+1,Na}, \ox{2,Ca}, \ox{-2,S}, \ch{"\ox{0,F}" {}2}

```

$\text{Na}^{+1}, \text{Ca}^{+2}, \text{S}^{-2}, \text{F}_2^0$

```

1 \chemsetup[redox]{pos=top}
2 Compare \ox{-1,02^2-} to \ch{"\ox{-1,0}" {}2^2-}

```

Compare O_2^{2-} to $\overset{-1}{\text{O}}_2^{2-}$

Sometimes one might want to use formal oxidation numbers like 0.5 or $\frac{1}{3}$:

```

1 \chemsetup[redox]{pos=top}
2 \ox{.5,Br2}
3 \ch{"\ox{1/3,I}" {}3+}
4
5 \chemsetup[redox]{pos=side}
6 \ox{1/3,I3+}

```

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Br}_2 \overset{0.5}{\text{I}}_3^+ \\ | \\ \text{I}_3^+ (\frac{1}{3}) \end{array}$$

The fraction is displayed with the help of the `xfrac` package [L3Pb]. For more details on how `CHEMMACROS` uses it read section 8.2 starting on page 64.

7.1.2. Redox Reactions

`CHEMMACROS` provides two commands to visualize the transfer of electrons in redox reactions. Both commands are using `TikZ`.

`\OX{<name>,<atom>}`

Label `<atom>` with the label `<name>`.

`\redox(<name1>,<name2>)[<tikz>][<num>]{<text>}`

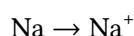
Connect two `<atom>`s previously labelled with `\OX`. Only the first argument (`(<name1>,<name2>)` is required, the others are all optional.

`\OX` places `<atom>` into a node, which is named with `<name>`. If you have set two `\OX`, they can be connected with a line using `\redox`. To do so the names of the two nodes that are to be connected are written in the round braces. Since `\redox` draws a `tikzpicture` with options `remember picture,overlay`, the document needs to be *compiled at least two times*.

```

1 \vspace{7mm}
2 \OX{a,Na} $\rightarrow$ \OX{b,Na}\poch\redox(a,b){oxidation}

```

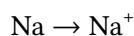


This line can be customized using `TikZ` keys in `[<tikz>]`:

```

1 \vspace{7mm}
2 \OX{a,Na} $\rightarrow$ \OX{b,Na}\poch\redox(a,b)[->,red]{ox}

```

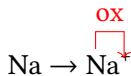


With the argument `[<num>]` the length of the vertical parts of the line can be adjusted. The default length is `.6em`. This length is multiplied with `<num>`. If you use a negative value the line

is placed *below* the text.

```

1 \vspace{7mm}
2 \OX{a,Na} $\rightarrow$ \OX{b,Na}\pch
3 \redox(a,b)[->,red]{ox}
4 \redox(a,b)[->,blue][-1]{red}
5 \vspace{7mm}
```



The default length of the vertical lines can be customized with the option

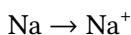
`redox >> dist = {<dim>}`
A TeX dimension.



Default: .6em

```

1 \vspace{7mm}
2 \chemsetup{redox/dist=1em}
3 \OX{a,Na} $\rightarrow$ \OX{b,Na}\pch\redox(a,b)[->,red]{ox}
```



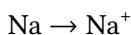
`redox >> sep = {<dim>}`

Default: .2em

The option can be used to change the distance between the atom and the beginning of the line.

```

1 \vspace{7mm}
2 \chemsetup{redox/sep=.5em}
3 \OX{a,Na} $\rightarrow$ \OX{b,Na}\pch\redox(a,b)[->,red]{ox}
```

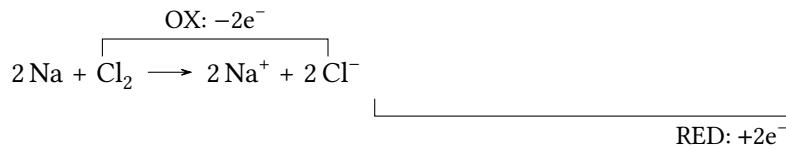


Examples

```

1 \vspace{7mm}
2 \ch{
3   2 "\OX{o1,Na}" + "\OX{r1,Cl}" {}2
4   ->
5   2 "\OX{o2,Na}" {}+ + 2 "\OX{r2,Cl}" {}-
6 }
7 \redox(o1,o2){\small OX: $- 2\el$}
8 \redox(r1,r2)[][-1]{\small RED: $+ 2\el$}
9 \vspace{7mm}
```

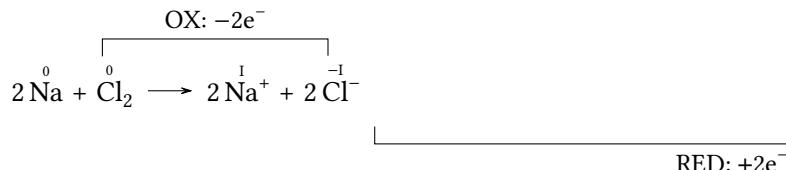
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```

1 \vspace{7mm}
2 \ch{
3   2 "\OX{o1,\ox*{0,Na}}" + "\OX{r1,\ox*{0,Cl}}" {}2
4   ->
5   2 "\OX{o2,\ox*{+1,Na}}" {}+ + 2 "\OX{r2,\ox*{-1,Cl}}" {}-
6 }
7 \redox(o1,o2){\small OX: $- 2\el$}
8 \redox(r1,r2)[]{-1}{\small RED: $+ 2\el$}
9 \vspace{7mm}

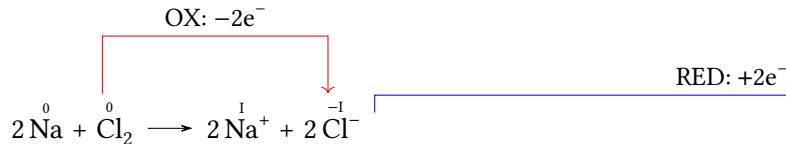
```



```

1 \vspace{14mm}
2 \ch{
3   2 "\OX{o1,\ox*{0,Na}}" + "\OX{r1,\ox*{0,Cl}}" {}2
4   ->
5   2 "\OX{o2,\ox*{+1,Na}}" {}+ + 2 "\OX{r2,\ox*{-1,Cl}}" {}-
6 }
7 \redox(o1,o2)[draw=red,->][3.33]{\small OX: $- 2\el$}
8 \redox(r1,r2)[draw=blue,->]{\small RED: $+ 2\el$}

```



```

1 \vspace{7mm}
2 \ch{
3   2 "\OX{o1,\ox*{0,Na}}" + "\OX{r1,\ox*{0,Cl}}" {}2
4   -> 2 "\OX{o2,\ox*{+1,Na}}" {}+ + 2 "\OX{r2,\ox*{-1,Cl}}" {}-
5 }
6 \redox(o1,o2)[green,-stealth]{\small OX}
7 \redox(r1,r2)[purple,-stealth][-1]{\small RED}
8 \vspace{7mm}

```



7.2. The scheme Module

The `scheme` module loads the `chemnum` package [Nie16b] and defines a floating environment `\begin{scheme}`. That is, it *only* defines this float if no environment `scheme` exists at the end of the preamble. The module checks for different available float defining methods, in *this* order:

- If the current class is a KOMA-Script class `\DeclareNewTOC` will be used.
- If the current class is `memoir`, `memoir`'s methods are used.
- If the package `tocbasic` has been loaded `\DeclareNewTOC` will be used.
- If the package `newfloat` has been loaded `\DeclareFloatingEnvironment` will be used.
- If the package `floatrow` has been loaded its method will be used.
- If the package `float` has been loaded its method will be used.
- If neither of the above the “manual” method is used. This means the environment is defined the same way like `figure` is defined in the `article` class or the `book` class, depending if `\chapter` is defined or not.

Introduced in
version 5.1

The list name and the caption name both are translated to the language specified according to the `lang` option and the provided translations, see section 6.5 starting on page 30 for details. If you want to manually change them then redefine these macros after `\begin{document}`:

`\listschemename`

The name of the list of schemes.

`\schemename`

The name used in captions.

The list of schemes is printed as expected with

`\listofschemes`

Introduced in
version 5.6

If you are using either `cleverref` or `fancyref` the `scheme` environment (or rather its captions) are supported already. For `fancyref` use the prefix `sch`.

7.3. The spectroscopy Module

The `spectroscopy` module loads the `chemformula` module and the `siunitx` package [Wri18].

7.3.1. The `\NMR` Command

When you're trying to find out if a compound is the one you think it is often NMR spectroscopy is used. The experimental data are typeset similar to this:

$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 1.59$

The spectroscopy module provides a command which simplifies the input.

`\NMR*`{⟨num⟩,⟨element⟩}{⟨num⟩,⟨unit⟩}[⟨solvent⟩]

Typeset nuclear magnetic resonance data. ⟨num⟩ is a valid siunitx number input, ⟨unit⟩ is a valid siunitx unit input. ⟨solvent⟩ is any valid **CHEMFOMULA** input as in `\chcpd` (this depends on the setting of the `formula` option, see 6.2 starting on page 27).

All Argument are optional! Without arguments we get:

```
1 \NMR \par
2 \NMR*
```

$^1\text{H-NMR}$: δ
 $^1\text{H-NMR}$

The first argument specifies the kind of NMR:

```
1 \NMR{13,C}
```

$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$: δ

The second argument sets the frequency (in MHz):

```
1 \NMR(400)
```

$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz): δ

You can choose another unit:

```
1 \NMR(4e8,\hertz)
```

$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (4×10^8 Hz): δ

Please note that the setup of siunitx also affects this command:

```
1 \sisetup{exponent-product=\cdot}
2 \NMR(4e8,\hertz)
```

$^1\text{H-NMR}$ ($4 \cdot 10^8$ Hz): δ

The third argument specifies the solvent:

```
1 \NMR[CDCl3]
```

$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (CDCl_3): δ

7.3.2. Short Cuts

It is possible to define short cut commands for specific nuclei.

`\NewChemNMR`{⟨cs⟩}{⟨num⟩,⟨atom⟩}

Define a new shortcut macro for typesetting a certain type of magnetic resonance data. Gives an error if ⟨cs⟩ already exists.

\DeclareChemNMR{\langle cs \rangle}{\langle num \rangle,\langle atom \rangle}

Define a new shortcut macro for typesetting a certain type of magnetic resonance data. Overwrites an existing macro.

\RenewChemNMR{\langle cs \rangle}{\langle num \rangle,\langle atom \rangle}

Redefine an existing shortcut macro for typesetting a certain type of magnetic resonance data. Gives an error if \langle cs \rangle doesn't exist.

\ProvideChemNMR{\langle cs \rangle}{\langle num \rangle,\langle atom \rangle}

Define a new shortcut macro for typesetting a certain type of magnetic resonance data. \langle cs \rangle is only defined if it doesn't exist, yet.

This defines a command with the same arguments as \NMR except for \langle num \rangle,\langle atom \rangle:

<pre> 1 \NewChemNMR\HNMR{1,H}% 2 \NewChemNMR\CNMR{13,C}% 3 \CNMR*(100) \par 4 \HNMR*(400) </pre>	^{13}C -NMR (100 MHz) ^1H -NMR (400 MHz)
--	---

7.3.3. An Environment to Typeset Experimental Data

The spectroscopy module provides an environment to ease the input of experimental data.

\begin{experimental}

Environment for the output of experimental data. Inside the environment the following commands are defined.

\data{\langle type \rangle}{\langle specification \rangle}

Type of data, e.g. IR, MS... The optional argument takes further specifications which are output in parentheses.

\data*{\langle type \rangle}{\langle specification \rangle}

Like \data but changes the = into a :, given that use-equal = {true} is used.

\NMR{\langle num \rangle,\langle elem \rangle}{\langle coupling core \rangle}{\langle num \rangle,\langle unit \rangle}{\langle solvent \rangle}

This command gets an additional argument: \NMR{13,C[^1H]} $^{13}\text{C}[^1\text{H}]$ -NMR: δ

\J{\langle bonds \rangle ; \langle nuclei \rangle}{\langle unit \rangle}{\langle list of nums \rangle}

Coupling constant, values are input separated by ; (NMR). The arguments \langle bonds \rangle ; \langle nuclei \rangle and \langle unit \rangle are optional and enable further specifications of the coupling.

\#\{\langle num \rangle\}

Number of nuclei (NMR).

\pos{\langle num \rangle}

Position of nuclues (NMR).

\val{\langle num \rangle}

A number, an alias of siunitx' \num{\langle num \rangle}.

\val{\langle num1 \rangle -- \langle num2 \rangle}

An alias of siunitx' \numrange{\langle num1 \rangle}{\langle num2 \rangle}.

```

1 \begin{experimental}
2   \data{type1} Data.
3   \data{type2}[specifications] More data.
4   \data*{type3} Even more data.
5 \end{experimental}

```

type1 Data. type2 (specifications) More data. type3 Even more data.

Customization The output of the environment and of the NMR commands can be customized by a number of options. For historical reasons they all belong to the module `nmr`.

<code>spectroscopy » unit = {<unit>}</code>	Default: <code>\mega\hertz</code>
The used default unit.	
<code>spectroscopy » nucleus = {<num>, <atom>}</code>	Default: <code>{1,H}</code>
The used default nucleus.	
<code>spectroscopy » connector = {<code>}</code>	Default: -
Places <code><code></code> between the nucleus and the method.	
<code>spectroscopy » method = {<code>}</code>	Default: NMR
The measuring method.	
<code>spectroscopy » format = {<commands>}</code>	(initially empty)
For example <code>\bfseries</code> .	
<code>spectroscopy » nmr-base-format = {<commands>}</code>	(initially empty)
Introduced in version 5.8	Formatting instructions for the NMR base.
<code>spectroscopy » pos-number = side sub super</code>	Default: side
Position of the number next to the atom.	
<code>spectroscopy » coupling-symbol = {<code>}</code>	Default: J
The symbol used for the coupling constant.	
<code>spectroscopy » coupling-unit = {<unit>}</code>	Default: <code>\hertz</code>
A siunitx unit.	
<code>spectroscopy » coupling-pos = side sub</code>	Default: side
Placement of the coupling nuclei next to the symbol J (or rather the symbol specified with option <code>coupling-symbol</code>).	
<code>spectroscopy » coupling-nuclei-pre = {<code>}</code>	Default: (
Code inserted before the coupling nuclei when <code>coupling-pos = {side}</code> .	
<code>spectroscopy » coupling-nuclei-post = {<code>}</code>	Default:)
Code inserted after the coupling nuclei when <code>coupling-pos = {side}</code> .	
<code>spectroscopy » coupling-bonds-pre = {<code>}</code>	(initially empty)
Code inserted before the coupling bonds.	
<code>spectroscopy » coupling-bonds-post = {<code>}</code>	Default: \!
Code inserted after the coupling bonds.	

spectroscopy » **coupling-pos-cs** = {*<cs>*} Default: \@firstofone
Set the macro that prints the number set with the \pos macro. This needs to be a command with one mandatory argument.

spectroscopy » **atom-number-cs** = {*<cs>*} Default: \@firstofone
Set the macro that prints the number set with the \# macro. This needs to be a command with one mandatory argument.

spectroscopy » **atom-number-space** = {*<dim>*} Default: .16667em
Introduced in Horizontal space inserted between number and atom (printed by \#).
version 5.3

spectroscopy » **parse** = **true|false** Default: true
Treat the solvent as **CHEMFORMLA** formula (this depends on the setting of the **formula** option, see 6.2 starting on page 27) or not.

spectroscopy » **delta** = {*<tokens>*} (initially empty)
The *<tokens>* are added after δ .

spectroscopy » **list** = **true|false** Default: false
The environment **nmr** is formatted as a list

spectroscopy » **list-setup** = {*<setup>*}
Setup of the list. See below for the default settings.

spectroscopy » **use-equal** = **true|false** Default: false
Add equal sign after \NMR and \data.

The default setup of the list:

```

1 \topsep\z@skip \partopsep\z@skip
2 \itemsep\z@ \parsep\z@ \itemindent\z@
3 \leftmargin\z@
```

```

1 \begin{experimental}[format=\bfseries]
2   \data{type1} Data.
3   \data{type2}[specifications] More data.
4   \data*[type3] Even more data.
5 \end{experimental}
```

type1 Data. **type2 (specifications)** More data. **type3** Even more data.

The command \NMR and all commands defined through \NewChemNMR can be used like \data for the NMR data.

```

1 \begin{experimental}[format=\bfseries,use-equal]
2   \data{type1} Data.
3   \data{type2}[specifications] More data.
4   \NMR Even more data.
5 \end{experimental}
```

type1 = Data. **type2 (specifications)** = More data. **$^1\text{H-NMR}$** : δ =Even more data.

An Example The code below is shown with different specifications for $\langle \text{options} \rangle$. Of course options can also be chosen with \chemsetup.

```

1 \sisetup{separate-uncertainty,per-mode=symbol,detect-all,range-phrase=--}
2 \begin{experimental}{<optionen>}
3   \data*{yield} \SI{17}{\milli\gram} yellow needles (\SI{0.04}{\milli\mole},
4     \SI{13}{\percent}).
5   %
6   \data{mp.} \SI{277}{\celsius} (DSC).
7   %
8   \NMR(600)[CDCl3] \val{2.01} (s, \#24), \pos{5}), \val{2.31} (s, \#12),
9     \pos{1}), \val{6.72--6.74} (m, \#2), \pos{11}), \val{6.82} (s, \#8),
10    \pos{3}), \val{7.05--7.07} (m, \#2), \pos{12}), \val{7.39--7.41} (m,
11      \#4),
12      \pos{9}), \val{7.48--7.49} (m, \#4), \pos{8}).
13   %
14   \NMR{13,C}(150)[CDCl3] \val{21.2} ($+$, \#4), \pos{1}), \val{23.4} ($+$,
15     \#8), \pos{5}), \val{126.0} ($+$, \#4), \pos{9}), \val{128.2} ($+$,
16     \#8),
17     \pos{3}), \val{130.8} ($+$, \#2), \pos{12}), \val{133.6} ($+$, \#2),
18     \pos{11}), \val{137.0} ($+$, \#4), \pos{8}), \val{138.6} (q, \#4),
19     \pos{2}), \val{140.6} (q, \#2), \pos{10}), \val{140.8} (q, \#8), \pos{4})
20   ,
21   \val{141.8} (q, \#4), \pos{6}), \val{145.6} (q, \#2), \pos{7}).
22   %
23   \data{MS}[DCP, EI, \SI{60}{\electronvolt}] \val{703} (2, \ch{M+}), \val
24     {582}
25     (1), \val{462} (1), \val{249} (13), \val{120} (41), \val{105} (100).
26   %
27   \data{MS}[\ch{MeOH + H2O + KI}, ESI, \SI{10}{\electronvolt}] \val{720}
28     (100,
29     \ch{M+ + OH-}), \val{368} (\ch{M+ + 2 OH-}).
30   %
31   \data{IR}[KBr] \val{3443} (w), \val{3061} (w), \val{2957} (m), \val{2918}
32     (m), \val{2856} (w), \val{2729} (w), \val{1725} (w), \val{1606} (s),
33     \val{1592} (s), \val{1545} (w), \val{1446} (m), \val{1421} (m), \val{1402}
34     (m), \val{1357} (w), \val{1278} (w), \val{1238} (s), \val{1214} (s),
35     \val{1172} (s), \val{1154} (m), \val{1101} (w), \val{1030} (w), \val{979}
36     (m), \val{874} (m), \val{846} (s), \val{818} (w), \val{798} (m), \val{744}
37     (w), \val{724} (m), \val{663} (w), \val{586} (w), \val{562} (w), \val{515}
38     (w).
39   %
40   \data*{UV-Vis} \SI{386}{\nanometre} ($\varepsilon = \val{65984}$),
41   \SI{406}{\nanometre} ($\varepsilon = \val{65378}$).
42   %
43   \data*{quantum yield} $\Phi = \val{0.74+-0.1}$.,
44 \end{experimental}

```

Nearly Standard Output with these options:

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```
1 delta=(ppm), pos-number=sub, use-equal
```

yield: 17 mg yellow needles (0.04 mmol, 13 %). mp. = 277 °C (DSC). $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (600 MHz, CDCl_3): δ (ppm) = 2.01 (s, 24 H, H_5), 2.31 (s, 12 H, H_1), 6.72–6.74 (m, 2 H, H_{11}), 6.82 (s, 8 H, H_3), 7.05–7.07 (m, 2 H, H_{12}), 7.39–7.41 (m, 4 H, H_9), 7.48–7.49 (m, 4 H, H_8). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3): δ (ppm) = 21.2 (+, 4 C, C_1), 23.4 (+, 8 C, C_5), 126.0 (+, 4 C, C_9), 128.2 (+, 8 C, C_3), 130.8 (+, 2 C, C_{12}), 133.6 (+, 2 C, C_{11}), 137.0 (+, 4 C, C_8), 138.6 (q, 4 C, C_2), 140.6 (q, 2 C, C_{10}), 140.8 (q, 8 C, C_4), 141.8 (q, 4 C, C_6), 145.6 (q, 2 C, C_7). MS (DCP, EI, 60 eV) = 703 (2, M^+), 582 (1), 462 (1), 249 (13), 120 (41), 105 (100). MS (MeOH + H_2O + KI, ESI, 10 eV) = 720 (100, $\text{M}^+ + \text{OH}^-$), 368 ($\text{M}^+ + 2\text{OH}^-$). IR (KBr) = 3443 (w), 3061 (w), 2957 (m), 2918 (m), 2856 (w), 2729 (w), 1725 (w), 1606 (s), 1592 (s), 1545 (w), 1446 (m), 1421 (m), 1402 (m), 1357 (w), 1278 (w), 1238 (s), 1214 (s), 1172 (s), 1154 (m), 1101 (w), 1030 (w), 979 (m), 874 (m), 846 (s), 818 (w), 798 (m), 744 (w), 724 (m), 663 (w), 586 (w), 562 (w), 515 (w). UV-Vis: 386 nm (ϵ = 65 984), 406 nm (ϵ = 65 378). quantum yield: $\Phi = 0.74 \pm 0.10$.

Formatted List Output with these options:

```
1 format=\bfseries,delta=(ppm),list=true,use-equal
```

yield: 17 mg yellow needles (0.04 mmol, 13 %).

mp. = 277 °C (DSC).

$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (600 MHz, CDCl_3): δ (ppm) = 2.01 (s, 24 H, H_5), 2.31 (s, 12 H, H_1), 6.72–6.74 (m, 2 H, H_{11}), 6.82 (s, 8 H, H_3), 7.05–7.07 (m, 2 H, H_{12}), 7.39–7.41 (m, 4 H, H_9), 7.48–7.49 (m, 4 H, H_8).

$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3): δ (ppm) = 21.2 (+, 4 C, C_1), 23.4 (+, 8 C, C_5), 126.0 (+, 4 C, C_9), 128.2 (+, 8 C, C_3), 130.8 (+, 2 C, C_{12}), 133.6 (+, 2 C, C_{11}), 137.0 (+, 4 C, C_8), 138.6 (q, 4 C, C_2), 140.6 (q, 2 C, C_{10}), 140.8 (q, 8 C, C_4), 141.8 (q, 4 C, C_6), 145.6 (q, 2 C, C_7).

MS (DCP, EI, 60 eV) = 703 (2, M^+), 582 (1), 462 (1), 249 (13), 120 (41), 105 (100).

MS (MeOH + H_2O + KI, ESI, 10 eV) = 720 (100, $\text{M}^+ + \text{OH}^-$), 368 ($\text{M}^+ + 2\text{OH}^-$).

IR (KBr) = 3443 (w), 3061 (w), 2957 (m), 2918 (m), 2856 (w), 2729 (w), 1725 (w), 1606 (s), 1592 (s), 1545 (w), 1446 (m), 1421 (m), 1402 (m), 1357 (w), 1278 (w), 1238 (s), 1214 (s), 1172 (s), 1154 (m), 1101 (w), 1030 (w), 979 (m), 874 (m), 846 (s), 818 (w), 798 (m), 744 (w), 724 (m), 663 (w), 586 (w), 562 (w), 515 (w).

UV-Vis: 386 nm (ϵ = 65 984), 406 nm (ϵ = 65 378).

quantum yield: $\Phi = 0.74 \pm 0.10$.

Crazy Output for these options:

```
1 format=\color{red}\itshape,
2 list=true,
3 delta=\textcolor{green}{\ch{M+ + H2O}},
4 pos-number=side,
5 coupling-unit=\mega\gram\per\square\second,
6 list-setup=,
7 use-equal
```

yield: 17 mg yellow needles (0.04 mmol, 13 %).

mp. = 277 °C (DSC).

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$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (600 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta \text{M}^+ + \text{H}_2\text{O} = 2.01$ (s, 24 H, H-5), 2.31 (s, 12 H, H-1), 6.72–6.74 (m, 2 H, H-11), 6.82 (s, 8 H, H-3), 7.05–7.07 (m, 2 H, H-12), 7.39–7.41 (m, 4 H, H-9), 7.48–7.49 (m, 4 H, H-8).

$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta \text{M}^+ + \text{H}_2\text{O} = 21.2$ (+, 4 C, C-1), 23.4 (+, 8 C, C-5), 126.0 (+, 4 C, C-9), 128.2 (+, 8 C, C-3), 130.8 (+, 2 C, C-12), 133.6 (+, 2 C, C-11), 137.0 (+, 4 C, C-8), 138.6 (q, 4 C, C-2), 140.6 (q, 2 C, C-10), 140.8 (q, 8 C, C-4), 141.8 (q, 4 C, C-6), 145.6 (q, 2 C, C-7).

MS (DCP, EI, 60 eV) = 703 (z, M^+), 582 (1), 462 (1), 249 (13), 120 (41), 105 (100).

MS (MeOH + H_2O + KI, ESI, 10 eV) = 720 (100, $\text{M}^+ + \text{OH}^-$), 368 ($\text{M}^+ + 2\text{OH}^-$).

IR (KBr) = 3443 (w), 3061 (w), 2957 (m), 2918 (m), 2856 (w), 2729 (w), 1725 (w), 1606 (s), 1592 (s), 1545 (w), 1446 (m), 1421 (m), 1402 (m), 1357 (w), 1278 (w), 1238 (s), 1214 (s), 1172 (s), 1154 (m), 1101 (w), 1030 (w), 979 (m), 874 (m), 846 (s), 818 (w), 798 (m), 744 (w), 724 (m), 663 (w), 586 (w), 562 (w), 515 (w).

$UV-Vis$: 386 nm ($\varepsilon = 65\ 984$), 406 nm ($\varepsilon = 65\ 378$).

quantum yield: $\Phi = 0.74 \pm 0.10$.

7.4. The thermodynamics Module

The thermodynamics module loads the siunitx package [Wri18].

7.4.1. The `\state` Macro

`\state[⟨options⟩]{⟨symbol⟩}`

Typeset a state variable.

This macro can be used to write the thermodynamic state variables.

```
1 \state{A}, \state[subscript-left=f]{G} ,
2 \state[subscript-right=\ch{Na}]{E},
3 \state[superscript-right=\SI{1000}{\celsius}]{H}
```

$\Delta A^\circ, \Delta_f G^\circ, \Delta E_{\text{Na}}^\circ, \Delta H^{1000\text{ }^\circ\text{C}}$

These options are available:

<code>thermodynamics » pre = {⟨text⟩}</code>	Default: <code>\changestate</code>
Code inserted before the variable. Inserted in text mode.	
<code>thermodynamics » post = {⟨text⟩}</code>	(initially empty)
Code inserted after the variable. Inserted in text mode.	
<code>thermodynamics » superscript-left = {⟨text⟩}</code>	(initially empty)
The left superscript. Inserted in text mode.	
<code>thermodynamics » superscript-right = {⟨text⟩}</code>	Default: <code>\standardstate</code>
The right superscript. Inserted in text mode.	

thermodynamics » **superscript** = {*<text>*}
 An alias of **superscript-right**.

thermodynamics » **subscript-left** = {*<text>*} (initially empty)
 The left subscript. Inserted in text mode.

thermodynamics » **subscript-right** = {*<text>*} (initially empty)
 The right subscript. Inserted in text mode.

thermodynamics » **subscript** = {*<text>*}
 An alias of **subscript-left**.

7.4.2. Thermodynamic Variables

The **thermodynamics** module provides a few commands for specific thermodynamic variables:

\enthalpy*[*<options>*]({*<subscript>*}){*<value>*}
 Typeset the amount of enthalpy.

\entropy*[*<options>*]({*<subscript>*}){*<value>*}
 Typeset the amount of entropy.

\gibbs*[*<options>*]({*<subscript>*}){*<value>*}
 Typeset the amount of Gibbs enthalpy.

Their usage is pretty much self-explaining:

<pre> 1 \enthalpy{123} \par 2 \entropy{123} \par 3 \gibbs{123} </pre>	$\Delta H^\circ = 123 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ $S^\circ = 123 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ $\Delta G^\circ = 123 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$
---	---

The argument (*<subscript>*) adds a subscript for specification, * hides number and unit:

<pre> 1 \enthalpy(r){123} \par 2 \enthalpy*{123} \par </pre>	$\Delta_r H^\circ = 123 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ ΔH°
--	--

thermodynamics » **pre** = {*<text>*} Default: **\changestate**
 Code inserted before the variable. Inserted in text mode.

thermodynamics » **post** = {*<text>*} (initially empty)
 Code inserted after the variable. Inserted in text mode.

thermodynamics » **superscript-left** = {*<text>*} (initially empty)
 The left superscript. Inserted in text mode.

thermodynamics » **superscript-right** = {*<text>*} Default: **\standardstate**
 The right superscript. Inserted in text mode.

thermodynamics » **superscript** = {*<text>*}
 An alias of **superscript-right**.

thermodynamics » **subscript-left** = {*<text>*} (initially empty)
 The left subscript. Inserted in text mode.

thermodynamics » `subscript-right` = {*<text>*} (initially empty)
The right subscript. Inserted in text mode.

thermodynamics » `subscript` = {*<text>*}
An alias of `subscript-left`.

thermodynamics » `subscript-pos` = left|right Default: left
Determines whether the subscript given in (*<subscript>*) is placed to the left or the right of the variable.

thermodynamics » `symbol` = {*<symbol>*} (initially empty)
The symbol of the variable. Inserted in math mode.

thermodynamics » `unit` = {*<unit>*} (initially empty)
A valid siunitx unit.

The default values depend on the command.

```

1 \enthalpy[unit=\kilo\joule]{-285} \
  par
2 \gibbs[pre={0}] \par
3 \entropy[pre=$\Delta$,superscript
=]{56.7}

```

$$\Delta H^\circ = -285 \text{ kJ}$$

$$G^\circ = 0 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

$$\Delta S = 56.7 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$$

The unit is set corresponding to the rules of siunitx and depends on its settings:

```

1 \enthalpy{-1234.56e3} \par
2 \sisetup{
  per-mode=symbol,
  exponent-product=\cdot,
  output-decimal-marker={,},
  group-four-digits=true
}
8 \enthalpy{-1234.56e3}

```

$$\Delta H^\circ = -1234.56 \times 10^3 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

$$\Delta H^\circ = -1234,56 \cdot 10^3 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

7.4.3. Create New Variables or Redefine Existing Ones

\NewChemState{*<cs>*}{{*options*}}

Define new state commands like `\enthalpy`. Gives an error if *<cs>* already exists.

\RenewChemState{*<cs>*}{{*options*}}

Redefine existing state commands.

\DeclareChemState{*<cs>*}{{*options*}}

Like `\NewChemState` but gives no error if *<cs>* already exists.

\ProvideChemState{*<cs>*}{{*options*}}

Define new state commands like `\enthalpy`. Defines *<cs>* only if it is not defined, yet.

The argument *<options>* is a comma separated list of key/value options:

thermodynamics » `pre` = {*<text>*} Default: `\changestate`
Code inserted before the variable. Inserted in text mode.

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<code>thermodynamics » post = {<text>}</code>	(initially empty)
Code inserted after the variable. Inserted in text mode.	
<code>thermodynamics » superscript-left = {<text>}</code>	(initially empty)
The left superscript. Inserted in text mode.	
<code>thermodynamics » superscript-right = {<text>}</code>	Default: \standardstate
The right superscript.	
<code>thermodynamics » superscript = {<text>}</code>	
An alias of <code>superscript-right</code> .	
<code>thermodynamics » subscript-left = {<text>}</code>	(initially empty)
The left subscript. Inserted in text mode.	
<code>thermodynamics » subscript-right = {<text>}</code>	(initially empty)
The right subscript. Inserted in text mode.	
<code>thermodynamics » subscript = {<text>}</code>	
An alias of <code>subscript-left</code> .	
<code>thermodynamics » subscript-pos = left right</code>	Default: left
Determines whether the subscript given in (<code><subscript></code>) is placed to the left or the right of the variable.	
<code>thermodynamics » symbol = {<symbol>}</code>	(initially empty)
The symbol of the variable.	
<code>thermodynamics » unit = {<unit>}</code>	(initially empty)
A valid siunits unit.	

```

1 \NewChemState\Helmholtz{ symbol=A , unit=\kilo\joule\per\mole }
2 \NewChemState\EIPot{ symbol=E , subscript-pos=right , superscript= , unit=\volt }
3 \Helmholtz{123.4} \par
4 \EIPot{-1.1} \par
5 \EIPot[superscript=0]($\ch{Sn}|\ch{Sn^{2+}}||\ch{Pb^{2+}}|\ch{Pb}){0.01} \par
6 \RenewChemState\enthalpy{ symbol=h , unit=\joule} \par
7 \enthalpy(f){12.5}

```

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta A^\circ &= 123.4 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1} \\ \Delta E &= -1.1 \text{ V} \\ \Delta E_{\text{Sn}|\text{Sn}^{2+}||\text{Pb}^{2+}|\text{Pb}}^\circ &= 0.01 \text{ V} \\ \Delta_f h^\circ &= 12.5 \text{ J}\end{aligned}$$

The existing commands have been defined like this:

```

1 \NewChemState \enthalpy{ symbol = H, unit = \kilo\joule\per\mole }
2 \NewChemState \entropy { symbol = S, unit = \joule\per\kelvin\per\mole, pre =
    }
3 \NewChemState \gibbs { symbol = G, unit = \kilo\joule\per\mole }

```

So – for following thermodynamic conventions – one could define a molar and an absolute variable:

```

1 \RenewChemState\enthalpy{symbol=h,superscript=,unit=\kilo\joule\per\mole}%
    molar
2 \NewChemState\Enthalpy{symbol=H,superscript=,unit=\kilo\joule}%
    absolute
3 \enthalpy{-12.3} \Enthalpy{-12.3}

```

$$\Delta h = -12.3 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1} \quad \Delta H = -12.3 \text{ kJ}$$

7.5. The units Module

The `units` module loads the `siunitx` package [Wri18].

In chemistry some non-SI units are very common. `siunitx` provides the command

`\DeclareSIUnit{\langle cs \rangle}{\langle unit \rangle}`

Define $\langle cs \rangle$ to be a valid unit command inside `siunitx`' macros `\SI` and `\si` which represents $\langle unit \rangle$.

to add arbitrary units. `CHEMMACROS` uses that command to provide some units. Like all `siunitx` units they're only valid inside `\SI{\langle num \rangle}{\langle unit \rangle}` and `\si{\langle unit \rangle}`.

`\atmosphere`

atm

`\atm`

atm

`\calory`

cal

`\cal`

cal

`\cmc`

cm³

The units `\cmc`, `\molar`, and `\Molar` are defined by the package `chemstyle` as well. `CHEMMACROS` only defines them, if `chemstyle` is not loaded.

`\molar`

mol dm⁻³

`\molAr`

mol L⁻¹

`\Molar`

M

`\MolMass`

g mol⁻¹

`\normal`

N

\Torr

Torr

By the way: \mmHg mmHg already is defined by siunitx.

8. Internal Modules

8.1. The tikz Module

The tikz module loads the tikz package [Tan19] and the TikZ library calc.

8.1.1. For Users

The tikz module defines a few arrow tips:

```
el
An arrow tip: \tikz\draw[-el](0,0)--(1,0); →
left el
An arrow tip: \tikz\draw[-left el](0,0)--(1,0); ←
right el
An arrow tip: \tikz\draw[-right el](0,0)--(1,0); ↗
```

Introduced in
version 5.3

The tikz module also loads the libraries calc and decorations.pathmorphing. It uses those libraries for defining a new decoration wave.

```
1 \begin{tikzpicture}
2   \draw[decorate,decoration=wave]
3     (0,0) -- (2,0) ;
4 \end{tikzpicture}
```



8.1.2. For Module Writers

The tikz module provides some macros for common TikZ functions. This allows to use expl3's powerful function variants for expansion control.

\c_chemmacros_other_colon_tl

A constant tokenlist which contains a colon with category code 12 (other). This is useful since TikZ sometimes expects an other colon and in an expl3 programming environment : has category code 11 (letter).

\chemmacros_tikz_picture:nn {*options*} {*code*}
Defined as \tikzpicture[\#1] #2 \endtikzpicture.

\chemmacros_tikz:nn {*options*} {*code*}
Defined as \tikz[\#1]\#2.

\chemmacros_tikz_draw:n {*options*}
Defined as \draw[\#1].

\chemmacros_tikz_node:n {*options*}
Defined as \node[\#1].

TABLE 4: Predefined xfrac text instances.

font family	text	superscript
cmr	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$
lmr	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$
LinuxLibertineT-TLF	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$
LinuxLibertineT-T0sF	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$

\chemmacros_tikz_shade:n {*options*}

Defined as \shade[#1].

\chemmacros_tikz_shadedraw:n {*options*}

Defined as \shadedraw[#1].

\chemmacros_tikz_node_in_draw:n {*options*}

Defined as node[#1].

8.2. The xfrac Module

The xfrac module loads the package xfrac [L3Pb]. For the following explanations it will be helpful if you know about said package and how it works first. This module is a support module that defines the macro

\chemfrac[*type*]{*numerator*}{*denominator*}

type can either be text or superscript.

This macro calls a certain instance of the xfrac text template, depending on the option *type* and the current font family. If used \chemfrac looks if an instance

chemmacros-fraction-\f@family-*type*

exists. If yes this instance is used, if no the instance chemmacros-fraction-default-*type* is used. The default instances are the same as the ones for cmr.

The xfrac module defines instances some font families, they are listed and demonstrated in table 4. The superscript type fractions look larger than the text types. The reason is that the superscript types are typically used with a smaller font size. Let's take a look at an example where both instances are used:

```

1 \chemsetup[redox]{pos=top}
2 \code{superscript}:
3 \ch{"\ox{1/3,I}" {}3+}
4
5 \chemsetup[redox]{pos=side}
6 \code{text}: \ox{1/3,I3+}
7
8 \huge
9 \chemsetup[redox]{pos=top}
10 \code{superscript}:
11 \ch{"\ox{1/3,I}" {}3+}
12
13 \chemsetup[redox]{pos=side}
14 \code{text}: \ox{1/3,I3+}

```

superscript: I_3^+
text: $I_3^+ (\frac{1}{3})$

superscript: I_3^+
text: $I_3^+ (\frac{1}{3})$

If you define instances for other families please feel free to submit them to me (see section A.2 on the next page) so they can be added to the `xfrac` module.

Part IV. Appendix

A. Own Modules

A.1. How To

If you have additional functionality which you think might be useful as a `CHEMMACROS` module then you can easily write one yourself. The module must be a file in a path where `TEX` can find it following a certain naming scheme. The file for a module `foo` *must be named* `chemmacros.module.foo.code.tex`.

```
\ChemModule*{\langle name\rangle}{\langle description\rangle}[\langle minimal compatibility version\rangle]
```

Register module `\langle name\rangle`. The optional argument `\langle minimal compatibility version\rangle` ensures that this module is only loaded if the option `compatibility` has a high enough version number. If it is omitted the module can be loaded in each version 5.0 or higher.

The first line in the file then should look similar to this:

```
1 \ChemModule{foo}{2015/07/14 description of foo}
```

This registers module `foo` which means `CHEMMACROS` will accept this file as a valid module.

Since `CHEMMACROS` is written using `expl3` `\ChemModule` starts an `expl3` programming environment. If you don't want that but rather want to write your module using traditional `LATEX 2E` methods then use the starred variant:

```
1 \ChemModule*{foo}{2015/07/14 description of foo}
```

In both variants @ has category code 11 (letter).

Since new modules very likely might rely on code provided first in a certain version of `CHEMMACROS` you might want to make sure that your module only is loaded when the compatibility mode is high enough to provide the features you want:

```
1 \ChemModule{foo}{2015/10/14 description of foo}[5.2]
```

You should be aware that your module *will not be loaded* with `\usechemmodule{all}`! The pseudo-module `all` contains a manually maintained list of the modules that are loaded by it.

If you decide to write your module `foo` using `expl3` and add options you want to be able to set using `\chemsetup[foo]{\langle options\rangle}` please make sure you define (and set) them with the following macros:

```
\chemmacros_define_keys:nn {\langle module\rangle} {\langle key definitions\rangle}
```

Define l₃keys options for the module `\langle module\rangle`. This is a wrapper for `\keys_define:nn {chemmacros/\langle module\rangle} {\langle key definitions\rangle}`.

\chemmacros_set_keys:nn {⟨module⟩} {⟨input⟩}

Sets l3keys options for the module ⟨module⟩. This is a wrapper for \keys_set:nn {chemmacros/⟨module⟩} {⟨input⟩}.

Also (*especially if you consider submitting the module, see section A.2*) please follow the expl3 naming conventions for variables and functions, *i. e.*, use chemmacros as expl3 module name:

```
1 \tl_new:N \l__chemmacros_my_internal_variable_tl
2 \tl_new:N \l__chemmacros_my_public_variable_tl
3 \cs_new:Npn \__chemmacros_my_internal_function:n #1 { ... }
4 \cs_new_protected:Npn \chemmacros_my_public_function:n #1 { ... }
5 \NewDocumentCommand \publicfunction {m}
6   { \chemmacros_my_public_function:n {#1} }
```

You will find more details on the naming conventions in `interface3.pdf` which most likely is available on your system:

```
~ $ texdoc interface3
```

If you haven't read section 6.1 starting on page 24 about the base module, yet, please have a look. There some macros for module writers are described. Also other modules define macros for module writers which may be useful.

A.2. Submitting a Module

If you have written a module and feel it might be useful for other users please feel free to contact me and submit the module. I will surely take a look at both functionality and code and if I feel that it adds value to **CHEMMACROS** I will add it to the package. Requirement for this is that the module is licensed with the L^ET_EX Project Public License (v1.3 or later) and that I take over maintenance (according to the "maintainer" status of the LPPL).

Please do *not* submit your module via pull request but send me the files directly. In the best case you also have a short piece of documentation.

B. Suggestions, Bug Reports, Support

Support If you need support or help with anything regarding **CHEMMACROS** please use the usual support forums

- <http://www.golatex.de/> or
- <http://texwelt.de/wissen/> if you speak German,
- <http://www.latex-community.org/forum/> or
- <http://tex.stackexchange.com/> if you speak English

or go the *dedicated support forum*

- <http://www.mychemistry.eu/forums/forum/chemmacros/>

where you can be sure that I will see the question.

Suggestions If you have any suggestions on how **CHEMMACROS** could be improved, adding missing features *etc.*, please feel free to contact me via contact@mychemistry.eu.

Bug reports If you find any bugs, *i. e.*, errors (something not working as described, conflicts with other packages, ...) then please go to <https://github.com/cgnieder/chemmacros/issues/> and open a new issue describing the error including a minimal working example.

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