

Character tables for some chemically important symmetry groups

C_s	E	σ_h		
A'	1	1	T_x, T_y, R_z	x^2, y^2 z^2, xy
A''	1	-1	T_z, R_x, R_y	yz, zx

C_i	E	i		
A_g	1	1	R_x, R_y, R_z	x^2, y^2, z^2
A_u	1	-1	T_x, T_y, T_z	xy, zx, yz

The C_n groups

C_2	E	C_2		
A	1	1	T_z, R_z	x^2, y^2, z^2, xy
B	1	-1	T_x, T_y, R_x, R_y	yz, zx

C_3	E	C_3	C_3^2		$\epsilon = \exp(2\pi i/3)$
A	1	1	1	T_z, R_z	$x^2 + y^2, z^2$
E	$\begin{cases} 1 & \epsilon & \epsilon^* \\ 1 & \epsilon^* & \epsilon \end{cases}$			$(T_x, T_y), (R_x, R_y)$	$(x^2 - y^2, xy), (yz, zx)$

C_4	E	C_4	C_2	C_4^3		
A	1	1	1	1	T_z, R_z	$x^2 + y^2, z^2$
B	1	-1	1	-1		$x^2 - y^2, xy$
E	$\begin{cases} 1 & i & -1 & -i \\ 1 & -i & -1 & i \end{cases}$				$(T_x, T_y), (R_x, R_y)$	(yz, zx)

C_5	E	C_5	C_5^2	C_5^3	C_5^4		$\epsilon = \exp(2\pi i/5)$
A	1	1	1	1	1	T_z, R_z	$x^2 + y^2, z^2$
E_1	$\begin{cases} 1 & \epsilon & \epsilon^2 & \epsilon^{2*} & \epsilon^* \\ 1 & \epsilon^* & \epsilon^{2*} & \epsilon^2 & \epsilon \end{cases}$					$(T_x, T_y), (R_x, R_y)$	(yz, zx)
E_2	$\begin{cases} 1 & \epsilon^2 & \epsilon^* & \epsilon & \epsilon^{2*} \\ 1 & \epsilon^{2*} & \epsilon & \epsilon^* & \epsilon^2 \end{cases}$						$(x^2 - y^2, xy)$

C_6	E	C_6	C_3	C_2	C_3^2	C_6^5		$\epsilon = \exp(2\pi i/6)$
A	1	1	1	1	1	1	T_z, R_z	$x^2 + y^2, z^2$
B	1	-1	1	-1	1	-1		
E_1	$\begin{cases} 1 & \epsilon & -\epsilon^* & -1 & -\epsilon & \epsilon^* \\ 1 & \epsilon^* & -\epsilon & -1 & -\epsilon^* & \epsilon \end{cases}$						$(T_x, T_y), (R_x, R_y)$	(yz, zx)
E_2	$\begin{cases} 1 & -\epsilon^* & -\epsilon & 1 & -\epsilon^* & -\epsilon \\ 1 & -\epsilon & -\epsilon^* & 1 & -\epsilon & -\epsilon^* \end{cases}$							$(x^2 - y^2, xy)$

C_7	E	C_7	C_7^2	C_7^3	C_7^4	C_7^5	C_7^6		$\epsilon = \exp(2\pi i/7)$
A	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	T_z, R_z	$x^2 + y^2, z^2$
E_1	$\begin{cases} 1 & \epsilon & \epsilon^2 & \epsilon^3 & \epsilon^{2*} & \epsilon^* \\ 1 & \epsilon^* & \epsilon^{2*} & \epsilon^{3*} & \epsilon^3 & \epsilon^2 \end{cases}$							$(T_x, T_y), (R_x, R_y)$	(yz, zx)
E_2	$\begin{cases} 1 & \epsilon^2 & \epsilon^3 & \epsilon^* & \epsilon & \epsilon^3 \\ 1 & \epsilon^{2*} & \epsilon^3 & \epsilon & \epsilon^* & \epsilon^2 \end{cases}$								$(x^2 - y^2, xy)$
E_3	$\begin{cases} 1 & \epsilon^3 & \epsilon^* & \epsilon^2 & \epsilon^{2*} & \epsilon \\ 1 & \epsilon^{3*} & \epsilon & \epsilon^* & \epsilon^2 & \epsilon^3 \end{cases}$								

C_8	E	C_8	C_4	C_2	C_4^3	C_8^3	C_8^5	C_8^7		$\epsilon = \exp(2\pi i/8)$
A	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	T_z, R_z	$x^2 + y^2, z^2$
B	1	-1	1	1	1	-1	-1	-1		
E_1	$\begin{cases} 1 & \epsilon & i & -1 & -i & -\epsilon^* & -\epsilon & \epsilon^* \\ 1 & \epsilon^* & -i & -1 & i & -\epsilon & -\epsilon^* & \epsilon \end{cases}$								$(T_x, T_y), (R_x, R_y)$	(yz, zx)
E_2	$\begin{cases} 1 & i & -1 & 1 & -1 & -i & i & -i \\ 1 & -i & -1 & 1 & -1 & i & -i & i \end{cases}$									$(x^2 - y^2, xy)$
E_3	$\begin{cases} 1 & -\epsilon & i & -1 & -i & \epsilon^* & \epsilon & -\epsilon^* \\ 1 & -\epsilon^* & -i & -1 & i & \epsilon & \epsilon^* & -\epsilon \end{cases}$									

The D_n groups

D_2	E	$C_2(z)$	$C_2(y)$	$C_2(x)$	
A	1	1	1	1	x^2, y^2, z^2
B_1	1	1	-1	-1	xy
B_2	1	-1	1	-1	zx
B_3	1	-1	-1	1	yz

D_3	E	$2C_3$	$3C_2$	
A_1	1	1	1	$x^2 + y^2, z^2$
A_2	1	1	-1	T_z, R_z
E	2	-1	0	$(T_x, T_y), (R_x, R_y)$

D_4	E	$2C_4$	$C_2 (= C_4^2)$	$2C_2'$	$2C_2''$	
A_1	1	1	1	1	1	$x^2 + y^2, z^2$
A_2	1	1	1	-1	-1	T_z, R_z
B_1	1	-1	1	1	-1	$x^2 - y^2$
B_2	1	-1	1	-1	1	xy
E	2	0	-2	0	0	$(T_x, T_y), (R_x, R_y)$

The S_n groups

S_4	E	S_4	C_2	S_4^3						
A	1	1	1	1	\mathbf{R}_z	$x^2 + y^2, z^2$				
B	1	-1	1	-1	\mathbf{T}_z	$x^2 - y^2, xy$				
E	$\begin{cases} 1 & i \\ 1 & -i \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} -1 & -i \\ -1 & i \end{cases}$			$(\mathbf{T}_x, \mathbf{T}_y), (\mathbf{R}_x, \mathbf{R}_y)$	(yz, zx)				
S_6	E	C_3	C_3^2	i	S_6^5	S_6	$\epsilon = \exp(2\pi i/3)$			
A_g	1	1	1	1	1	\mathbf{R}_z	$x^2 + y^2, z^2$			
E_g	$\begin{cases} 1 & \epsilon \\ 1 & \epsilon^* \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} \epsilon^* & 1 \\ \epsilon & 1 \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} 1 & \epsilon \\ 1 & \epsilon^* \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} 1 & \epsilon^* \\ 1 & \epsilon \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} (\mathbf{R}_x, \mathbf{R}_y) \\ (\mathbf{T}_x, \mathbf{T}_y) \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} (x^2 - y^2, xy) \\ (yz, zx) \end{cases}$				
A_u	1	1	1	-1	-1	\mathbf{T}_z				
E_u	$\begin{cases} 1 & \epsilon \\ 1 & \epsilon^* \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} \epsilon^* & -1 \\ -1 & -\epsilon \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} -1 & -\epsilon \\ -\epsilon & -\epsilon^* \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} -\epsilon^* & -1 \\ -1 & -\epsilon \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} (\mathbf{T}_x, \mathbf{T}_y) \\ (\mathbf{R}_x, \mathbf{R}_y) \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} (x^2 - y^2, xy) \\ (yz, zx) \end{cases}$				
S_8	E	S_8	C_4	S_8^3	C_2	S_8^5	C_4^3	S_8^7	$\epsilon = \exp(2\pi i/8)$	
A	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\mathbf{R}_z	$x^2 + y^2, z^2$
B	1	-1	1	-1	1	-1	1	-1	\mathbf{T}_z	
E_1	$\begin{cases} 1 & \epsilon \\ 1 & \epsilon^* \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} i & -\epsilon^* \\ -i & -\epsilon \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} -1 & -\epsilon \\ -1 & -\epsilon^* \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} -i & i \\ i & \epsilon \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} (\mathbf{T}_x, \mathbf{T}_y) \\ (\mathbf{R}_x, \mathbf{R}_y) \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} (\mathbf{T}_x, \mathbf{T}_y) \\ (\mathbf{R}_x, \mathbf{R}_y) \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} (x^2 - y^2, xy) \\ (yz, xz) \end{cases}$			
E_2	$\begin{cases} 1 & i \\ 1 & -i \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} -1 & -i \\ -i & 1 \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} -i & i \\ 1 & -i \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} i & -1 \\ -1 & i \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} -1 & -i \\ -i & i \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} (\mathbf{T}_x, \mathbf{T}_y, \mathbf{R}_z) \\ (\mathbf{T}_x, \mathbf{T}_y, \mathbf{T}_z) \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} (x^2 - y^2, xy) \\ (xy, yz, zx) \end{cases}$			
E_3	$\begin{cases} 1 & -\epsilon^* \\ 1 & -\epsilon \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} -i & \epsilon \\ i & \epsilon^* \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} -\epsilon & -1 \\ -1 & \epsilon \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} \epsilon^* & i \\ i & -\epsilon \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} i & -\epsilon \\ -\epsilon & i \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} (\mathbf{T}_x, \mathbf{T}_y, \mathbf{R}_z) \\ (\mathbf{T}_x, \mathbf{T}_y, \mathbf{T}_z) \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} (yz, xz) \\ (xy, yz, zx) \end{cases}$			

The C_∞ and D_∞ groups for linear molecules

$C_{\infty v}$	E	$2C_\infty^\Phi$	...	$\infty\sigma_v$				
$A_1 = \Sigma +$	1	1	...	1	\mathbf{T}_z	$x^2 + y^2, z^2$		
$A_2 = \Sigma -$	1	1	...	-1	\mathbf{R}_z			
$E_1 = \Pi$	2	$2 \cos \Phi$	...	0	$(\mathbf{T}_x, \mathbf{T}_y), (\mathbf{R}_x, \mathbf{R}_y)$	(yz, zx)		
$E_2 = \Delta$	2	$2 \cos 2\Phi$	...	0		$(x^2 - y^2, xy)$		
$E_3 = \Phi$	2	$2 \cos 3\Phi$	...	0				
...				

$D_{\infty h}$	E	$2C_\infty^\Phi$	...	$\infty\sigma_v$	i	$2S_x^\Phi$...	∞C_2		
Σ_g^+	1	1	...	1	1	1	...	1	\mathbf{R}_z	$x^2 + y^2, z^2$
Σ_g^-	1	1	...	-1	1	1	...	-1	$(\mathbf{R}_x, \mathbf{R}_y)$	(yz, zx)
Π_g	2	$2 \cos \Phi$	...	0	2	$-2 \cos \phi$	...	0		$(x^2 - y^2, xy)$
Δ_g	2	$2 \cos 2\Phi$	...	0	2	$2 \cos 2\Phi$	...	0		
...		

Σ_u^+	1	1	...	1	-1	-1	...	-1	\mathbf{T}_z	
Σ_u^-	1	1	...	-1	-1	-1	...	1	$(\mathbf{T}_x, \mathbf{T}_y)$	
Π_u	2	$2 \cos \Phi$	...	0	-2	$2 \cos \Phi$	...	0		
Δ_u	2	$2 \cos 2\Phi$	...	0	-2	$-2 \cos 2\Phi$	...	0		
...		

The cubic groups

T_d	E	$8C_3$	$3C_2$	$6S_4$	$6\sigma_d$						
A_1	1	1	1	1	1	$x^2 + y^2 + z^2$					
A_2	1	1	1	-1	-1						
E	2	-1	2	0	0	$(2z^2 - x^2 - y^2, x^2 - y^2)$					
T_1	3	0	-1	1	-1	$(\mathbf{R}_x, \mathbf{R}_y, \mathbf{R}_z)$					
T_2	3	0	-1	-1	1	$(\mathbf{T}_x, \mathbf{T}_y, \mathbf{T}_z)$	(xy, yz, zx)				
O_h	E	$8C_3$	$6C_2$	$6C_4$	$3C_2 (=C_4^2)$	i	$6S_4$	$8S_6$	$3\sigma_h$	$6\sigma_d$	
A_{1g}	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	$x^2 + y^2 + z^2$
A_{2g}	1	1	-1	-1	1	1	-1	1	1	-1	$(2z^2 - x^2 - y^2, x^2 - y^2)$
E_g	2	-1	0	0	2	2	0	-1	2	0	(xy, yz, zx)
T_{1g}	3	0	-1	1	-1	3	1	0	-1	-1	$(\mathbf{R}_x, \mathbf{R}_y, \mathbf{R}_z)$
T_{2g}	3	0	1	-1	-1	3	-1	0	-1	1	(xy, yz, zx)
A_{1u}	1	1	1	1	1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	
A_{2u}	1	1	-1	-1	1	-1	1	-1	-1	1	
E_u	2	-1	0	0	2	-2	0	1	-2	0	$(\mathbf{T}_x, \mathbf{T}_y, \mathbf{T}_z)$
T_{1u}	3	0	-1	1	-1	-3	-1	0	1	1	
T_{2u}	3	0	1	-1	-1	-3	1	0	1	-1	

Multiplication properties of irreducible representations

Contribution to character per unshifted atom

General rules

$A \times A = A$, $B \times B = A$, $A \times B = B$, $A \times E = E$, $B \times E = E$, $A \times T = T$;
 $B \times T = T$;

$g \times g = g$, $u \times u = g$, $u \times g = u$;

$' \times ' = ',$ $' \times " = ',$ $' \times " = "$;

$A \times E_1 = E_1$, $A \times E_2 = E_2$, $B \times E_1 = E_2$, $B \times E_2 = E_1$

Subscripts on A or B

$1 \times 1 = 1$, $2 \times 2 = 1$, $1 \times 2 = 2$. except for D_2 and D_{2h} , where $1 \times 2 = 3$, $2 \times 3 = 1$,
 $1 \times 3 = 2$

R	$\chi(R)$
E	+3
i	-3
σ	+1
C_2	-1
C_3^1, C_3^2	0
C_4^1, C_4^3	+1
C_6^1, C_6^5	+2
S_3^1, S_3^5	-2
S_4^1, S_4^3	-1
S_6^1, S_6^5	0

Doubly-degenerate representations

For C_3 , C_{3h} , C_{3v} , D_3 , D_{3h} , D_{3d} , C_6 , C_{6h} , C_{6v} , D_6 , D_{6h} , S_6 , O_h , T_d :

$$\begin{aligned} E_1 \times E_1 &= E_2 \times E_2 = A_1 + A_2 + E_2 \\ E_1 \times E_2 &= B_1 + B_2 + E_1 \end{aligned}$$

For C_4 , C_{4v} , C_{4h} , D_{2d} , D_4 , D_{4h} , S_4 :

$$E \times E = A_1 + A_2 + B_1 + B_2$$

For groups in above lists that have symbols A, B or E without subscripts, read
 $A_1 = A_2 = A$, etc.

Triply-degenerate representations:

For T_d , O_h :

$$\begin{aligned} E \times T_1 &= E \times T_2 = T_1 + T_2 \\ T_1 \times T_1 &= T_2 \times T_2 = A_1 + E + T_1 + T_2 \\ T_1 \times T_2 &= A_2 + E + T_1 + T_2 \end{aligned}$$

Linear molecules ($C_{\infty v}$ and $D_{\infty h}$):

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma^+ \times \Sigma^+ &= \Sigma^- \times \Sigma^- = \Sigma^+; & \Sigma^+ \times \Sigma^- &= \Sigma^- \\ \Sigma^+ \times \Pi &= \Sigma^- \times \Pi = \Pi; & \Sigma^+ \times \Delta &= \Sigma^- \times \Delta = \Delta; \text{ etc.} \\ \Pi \times \Pi &= \Sigma^+ + \Sigma^- + \Delta \\ \Delta \times \Delta &= \Sigma^+ + \Sigma^- + \Gamma \\ \Pi \times \Delta &= \Pi + \Phi \end{aligned}$$