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Standard InChIs on non-standard molfiles

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MDL VALENCE (MDLBENCH1)

2012

2017

	Version	Accuracy	Precision	Version	Accuracy	Precision
CDK	1.4.13	92.65%	95.11%	2.0	100.00%	100.00%
Open Babel	2.3.90	91.73%	93.34%	GitHub	100.00%	100.00%
MDL/BIOVIA Direct	8.0	90.30%	99.76%	2017	97.67%	97.73%
OEChem	1.9	97.20%	99.78%	20170613	97.20%	99.78%
ChemAxon	5.1	88.98%	92.99%	17.17	93.13%	97.33%
GGA/EPAM Indigo	1.1.4	70.80%	97.52%	1.3.0.r16	97.22%	97.22%
RDKit	2012.09	13.62%	22.74%	2017.03.03	67.30%	85.83%

Valence defined either **explicitly** (safe) or implicitly as a **default** value

“The correct valence is specified by MDL/ISIS”



MDL VALENCE-MAGEDDON

BIOVIA 2017 changes the interpretation of MDL files

Changes MF of **213,097** records in PubChem Compound



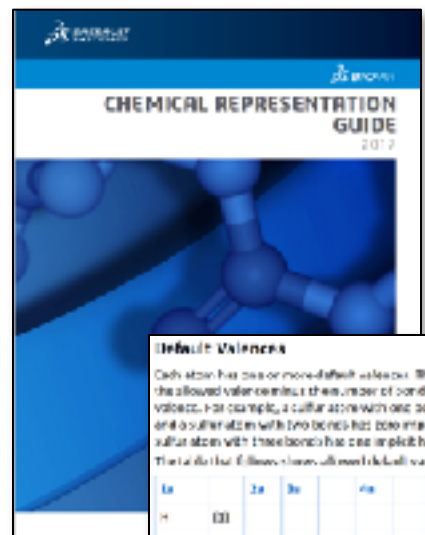
Default valences

Each atom has one or more default valences. The number of implicit hydrogens at an atom is equal to the allowed valence minus the number of bonds to non-hydrogen atoms, up to the most allowed valence. For example, a sulfur atom with one bond to a non-hydrogen atom has one implicit hydrogen, and a sulfur atom with two bonds has zero implicit hydrogens, because the next highest valence is 2. A sulfur atom with three bonds has one implicit hydrogen, because the next highest valence is 4.

The table that follows shows a few of the default valences for neutral main group elements:

Ta	Zr	Nb	Hf	Ta	Hf	Zr	Ta	Hf
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45
46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54
55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63
64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72
73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81
82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90
91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99
100	101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108
109	110	111	112	113	114	115	116	117
118	119	120	121	122	123	124	125	126

For transition metals, lanthanides, and actinides, any valence is allowed. The majority of these elements are singly bonded to hydrogen unless previously specified otherwise.



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La	Zr	Nb	Hf	Ta	Hf	Zr	Ta	Hf
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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118	119	120	121	122	123	124	125	126

Implicit hydrogens are never added to metals or transition metals (implicit valence is zero), with the exception of Hg, which has a default valence of 2.



MDL MASS DELTA (MDLBENCH2)

BIOVIA Direct 2017	^{11}B	^{128}Te	^{266}Sg
CDK 2.0	^{11}B	^{130}Te	^{258}Sg
ChemAxon 17.17	^{11}B	^{130}Te	^0Sg
DataWarrior 4.6.0	^{11}B	^{130}Te	^0Sg
InChI 1.0.5	^{11}B	^{130}Te	^{269}Sg
Indigo 1.3.0b	^{11}B	^{128}Te	^{271}Sg
OEChem 20170613	^{11}B	^{130}Te	^{263}Sg
Open Babel 2.4.1	^{10}B	^{127}Te	^{271}Sg
RDKit 2017.03.03	^{11}B	^{130}Te	^{271}Sg

MDL files originally stored **atomic mass** delta

- ▶ InChI inherited this decision
- ▶ Resolved by **M ISO** in molfile



STEREO PARITY (MDLBENCH3)

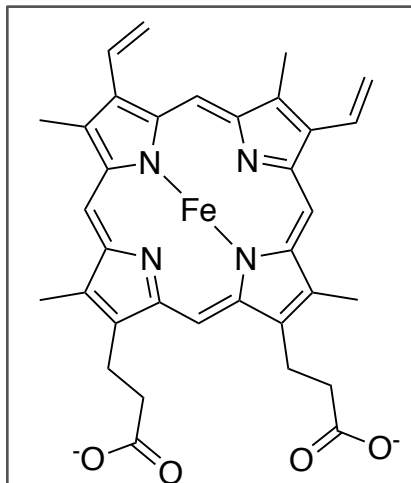
sss	atom stereo parity	0 = not stereo, 1 = odd, 2 = even, 3 = either or unmarked stereo center	[Generic] Ignored when read.
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	0D				2D				3D			
	0	1	2	3	0	1	2	3	0	1	2	3
ChemAxon 17.17	-	S	R	-	-	-	-	-	R	R	R	R
CDK 2.0	-	S	R	-	-	-	-	-	R	R	R	-
Open Babel 2.4.1	-	S	R	-	-	-	-	-	R	R	R	R
OEChem 20170613	-	S	R	-	-	S	R	-	R	R	R	R
InChI 1.0.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	R	R	R	R
RDKit 2017.03.03	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
BIOVIA Direct 2017	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	R	R	R
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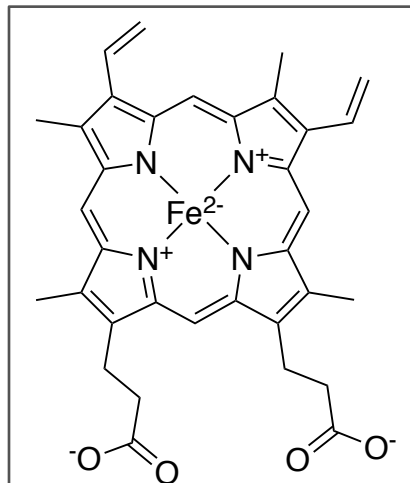
Table shows default behaviour, often can be tweaked – Open Babel and CDK have options to use parity value for 2D input.



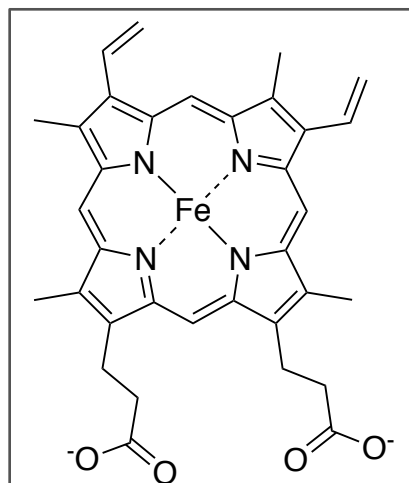
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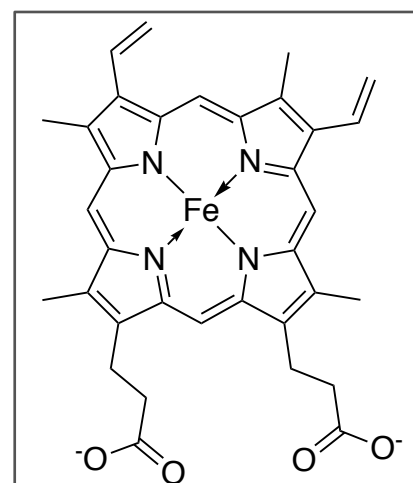
Omitted



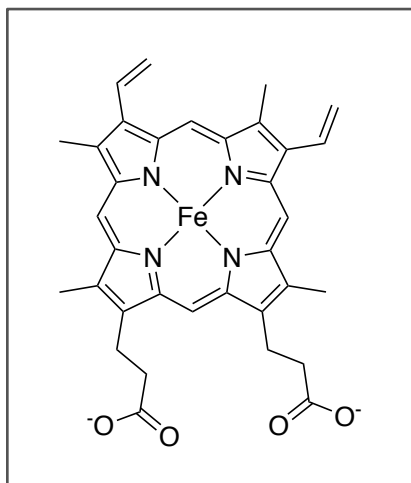
Charge Separated



Dashed



Coordination



Plain

Bonding required to describe **configuration**

Representation part of the solution (and sometimes part of the problem), normalisation still required

How can they be represented in a **molfile**?



CTAB REPRESENTATION

(Syntax Extensions)

Alex Clark. Accurate Specification of Molecular Structures: The Case for Zero-Order Bonds and Explicit Hydrogen Counting. *J. Chem. Inf. Model.* 2011, 51, 3149–3157

M ZCHnn8 aaa vvv ...	Atom charge override. Default value is the same as defined by standard fields.
M ZBOnn8 bbb vvv ...	Bond order override. Default value is the same as defined by standard fields. Values of 0 or greater are permitted.

CTfile Formats “Nov 2011 onwards” V3000 only, many tools allow it in V2000

type	Bond type	Integer: 1 = single 2 = double ...	Types 4 through 8 are for queries only.
		9 = coordination 10 = hydrogen	Type 9 has display options: COORD or DATIVE Type 10 has display options: HBOND1 or HBOND3



CTAB REPRESENTATION

(Semantic Extensions)

PubChem SD File Formatted Data V2.0.1

<ftp://ftp.ncbi.nih.gov/pubchem/specifications>

BondTypeID	Meaning
5	Dative Bond
6	Complex Bond
7	Ionic Bond
255	Unspecified or Unknown Connectivity

ChemAxon specific information in MDL MOL files,

<http://docs.chemaxon.com>

```
M STY 1 1 DAT
M SAL 1 2 12 29
M SDT 1 MRV_COORDINATE_BOND_TYPE
M SDD 1 0.0000 0.0000 DR ALL 0 0
M SED 1 31
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SUMMARY

Systematic benchmarks highlight differences in **interpretations**

- ▶ Often simple to change, but can need agreement
- ▶ Chemistry is a moving target

Existing different ways the format has been **enhanced** to handle zero-order bonds

- ▶ Can cause unexpected behaviour elsewhere
- ▶ Normalisation still difficult

Acknowledgements

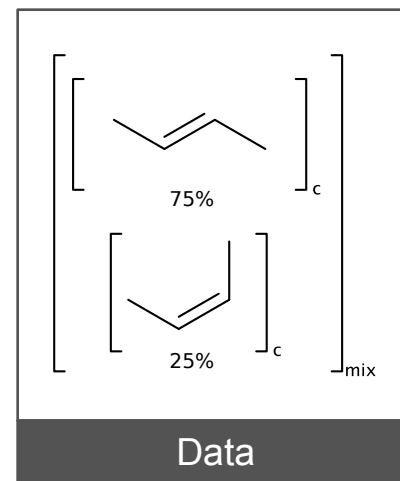
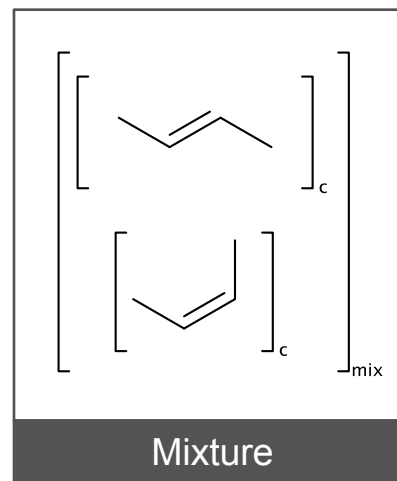
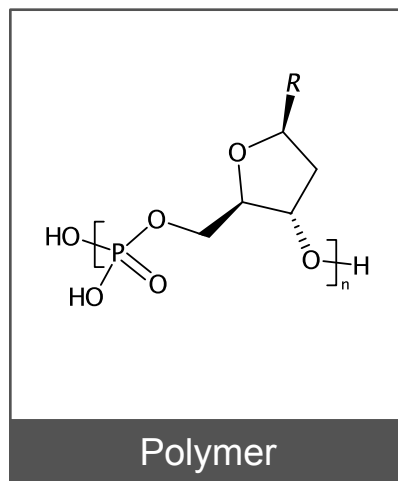
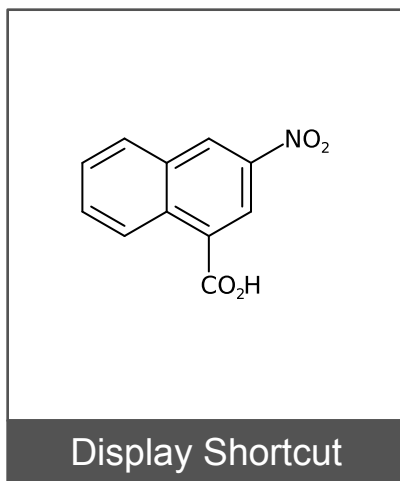
Noel O'Boyle and Shuzhe Wang



ENDS

SGROUPS

Annotation layer over part of a structure



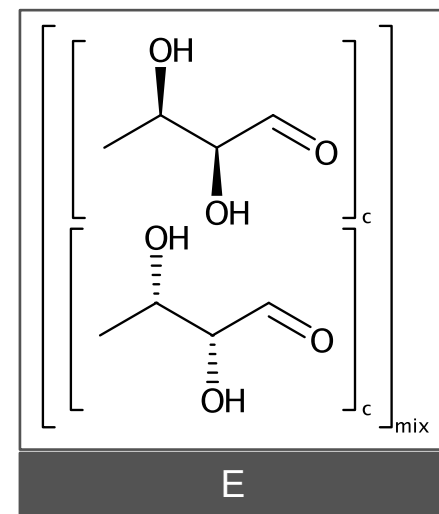
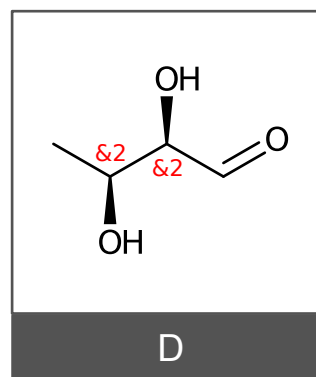
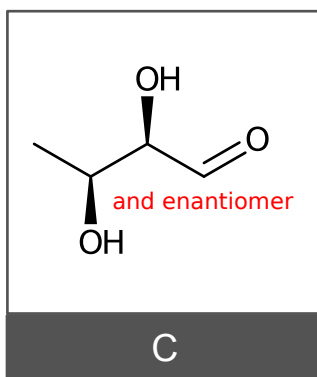
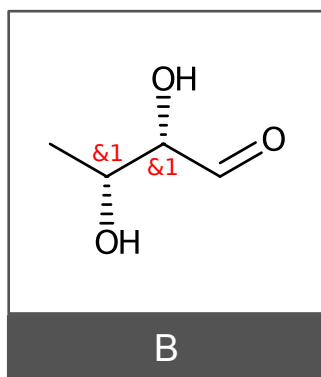
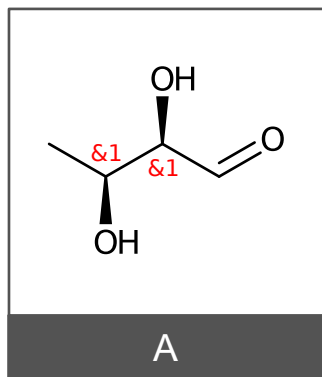
Gushurst *et al.* The substance module: the representation, storage, and searching of complex structures. *J. Chem. Inf. Comput. Sci.* (1991)

Blanke G. Sgroups – Abbreviations, Mixtures, Formulations, Polymers, Structures with Statistical Distribution and Other Special Cases. **Online - StructurePendium Technologies GmbH**



ENHANCED STEREO 1

Enhanced stereo is for handling racemic mixtures and relative stereochemistry



BIOVIA (NEMA-KEY)

A,B,C,D 47CZTH5YZKMZ9K3MVCCVHSUF2378UH

E NULL

ChemAxon (CXSMILES)

A,D C[C@H](O)[C@H](O)C=O |&1:1,3,r|

B C[C@@H](O)[C@@H](O)C=O |&1:1,3,r|

C C[C@H](O)[C@H](O)C=O |r|

D C[C@H](O)[C@H](O)C=O.C[C@H](O)[C@@H](O)C=O |...|

DataWarrior

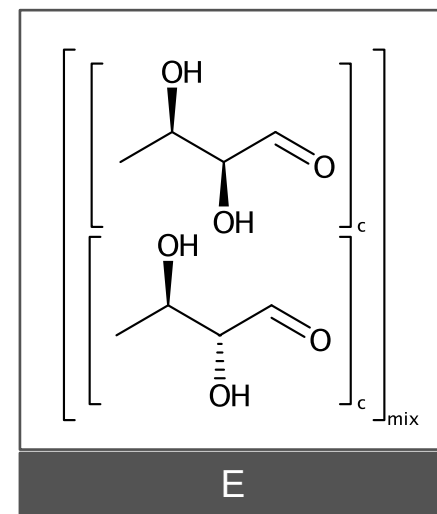
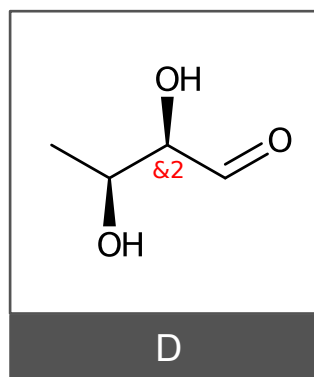
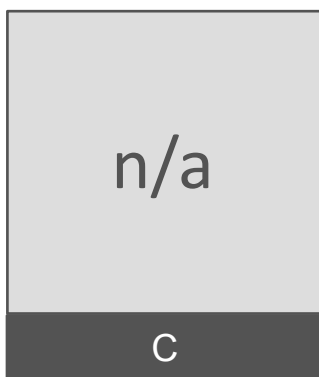
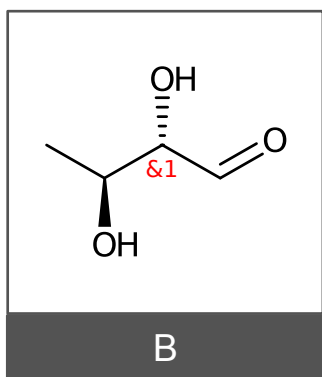
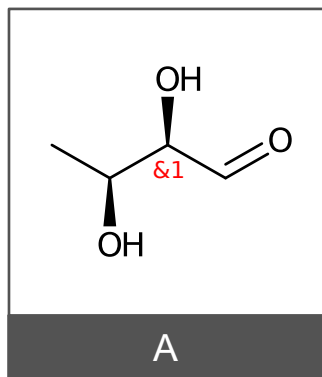
A,B,C,D gNq`AjdmsURQAh@

E dgLF@rnT|bTtARfcUSUQHPUDtZP@



ENHANCED STEREO 1

Enhanced stereo is a shortcut for racemic mixtures and relative stereochemistry



BIOVIA (NEMA-KEY)

A,B,D,E NULL

ChemAxon (CXSMILES)

A,D C[C@H](O)[C@@H](O)C=O |&1:3,r|

B C[C@@H](O)[C@H](O)C=O |&1:1,r|

D C[C@@H](O)[C@@H](O)C=O.C[C@H](O)[C@@H](O)C=O |...|

DataWarrior

A,B,D gNq`AjdmsURQA`@

E dgLF@@rnT|bTtARfcUSUQHPUDdZP@

