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# Molecular Formula as a Path Using Periodic Table

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**Abstract:** A molecular formula is a way of expressing information about the proportions of atoms that constitute a particular chemical compound. Using a single line of chemical element symbols. This is the best way to represent any chemical compound. Periodic table in one way has a position in some cell for all the chemical elements based on their atomic numbers. Hexadecimal color codes are used in identifying different colors using color codes. In this paper we propose a method of representing any chemical formula as a path graph using the position of the chemical elements in the periodic table and the colors assigned to them. **Key Words:** Molecular formula, chemicals, Periodic Table, Path, Graph, color.

# Introduction

Graph theory is extensively used in chemistry. They are used in drawing the structural formula, chem spider representation and so on. It is also used in finding the wiener index, randic index. In [1] the structural formula and Huffmann codes are used to define genetic codes. In [2] dominating set is used in molecular formula encryption.

In this developing society new inventions are part of regular routine and corresponding details of them also happens each day. Many inventions are finally represented using chemical formulas and molecular formulas. In this paper we propose a method representing a chemical formula as a path using periodic table and hexadecimal colors.

#### **Preliminary Note**

#### Graph

In a mathematician's terminology, a graph is a collection of points and lines connecting some subset of them. The points of a graph are most commonly known as graph vertices, but may also be called nodes or simply points. Similarly, the lines connecting the vertices of a graph are most commonly known as graph edges, but may also be called arcs or lines [3]. A weighted graph is a graph in which each edge is assigned some numerical value called the weight of the graph.

#### Path

In graph theory, a path in a graph is a finite or infinite sequence of edges which connect a sequence of vertices which, by most definitions, are all distinct from one another. [4]

A path with n – vertices is denoted by Pn. The following snapshot 1 [ 5 ] provides examples of paths with n = 1, 2, 3, 4 vertices.

# www.sphinxsai.com



#### Snapshot 1

#### **Hexadecimal Colors**

Web colors are colors used in designing web pages, and the methods for describing and specifying those colors. Colors may be specified as an RGB triplet or in hexadecimal format. A color is specified according to the intensity of its red, green and blue components, each represented by eight bits. Thus, there are 24 bits used to specify a web color, and 16,777,216 colors that may be so specified. [6]

#### **Materials and Methods**

#### **Construction of Color Periodic Table**

We choose the usual periodic table. In periodic table colors are used to identify metals, nonmetals etc. We modify the original periodic table by using distinct colors to distinct cells of the table using hexadecimal colors. Except for this, the table looks like the original one. A sample periodic table is given in table 1.

It is seen in table 1 that different colors are used and it resembles the original periodic table. The color codes and the corresponding atomic numbers as used in table 1 is provided in table 2.

#### **Construction of Graph from Color Periodic Table**

We use paths for constructing graphs. We consider the molecular formula of the compound. We count the number of elements in the compound (say x). Then we choose a path with x + 1 vertices. We color the edges of the path choosing the color from table in the order in which they appear in the compound. The edges receive weights equal to the number of times each element occurs. For example if the compound is Na<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>3</sub>H, then the edge representing Na receives weight 2, the edge representing Cl receives weight 3 and the edge representing H receives weight 1.

Finally we obtain a weighted path with edge colors representing elements. The graph corresponding to Na<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>3</sub>H is



Using this method any chemical compound, drug can be represented using their molecular formula. The tree for some examples is provided in table 3. The ball and stick models are from [7]



Table 1

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CO	note: lanthanide series: 57-71 Actinide Series: 89-103							

# Table 2

S. **Ball and Stick** Molecular Path No Representation Formula 1  $C_2H_5NO_2$ 2 5 1 2 Glycine 2  $H_2O$ 2 1 Water  $C_6H_6$ 3 6 6 Benzene  $C_8H_{10}N_4O_2$ 4 8 10 4 2 Caffine 5  $C_6H_{12}O_6$ 6 12 6 d – glucose

Table 3

Molecular formula represents the chemical composition of any compound. Any new finding can be encrypted using the method explained. Suppose the received tree is

From table 1 the molecular formula is  $C_{60}$  which represents [5]



#### Fullerene

Now while using colors we observe that some colors look similar but are different. Visually it is tough to find the difference between both colors. This means that looking at the colors and then trying to identify the elements may lead to errors. To avoid this we can include one more weight to the edges which will represent the color codes. The color codes can be converted into smaller numbers and hence used as the weight of the graph. This will improve the representation.

#### Conclusion

Most of the new inventions like drugs, detergents, etc are finally represented using molecular formula. Communications about these formulas is mandatory and unavoidable. This proposed representation of molecular formula can be used for safe communication of these details. Numerous weighted paths are available in public domain and it is tough to fine the difference between the molecular paths and the usual ones and hence can be used for representing any molecular formula.

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