


M.SC Semester III

Core Course XII

Environmental Chemistry



**TOPIC:-Unit IV, Green Chemistry, Efficiency
Parameter & Atom Economy**

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Efficiency Parameter



1. Reaction Yield

$$\bullet \text{ Reaction Yield} = \frac{\textit{Actual Yield}}{\textit{Theoretical Yield}} \times 100$$

- The reaction should have high percentage of yield.



2. Atom Economy

- Atom economy describes the conversion efficiency of a chemical process in terms of all atoms involved (desired products produced).

Mol. weight of Desired product

- $$\text{Atom Economy} = \frac{\text{Mol. weight of Desired product}}{\text{Mol. weight of all reactants}} \times 100$$

- For the reaction, the atom economy should be maximum.

Atom Economy



e.g.

- **Rearrangement Reactions:**

- These reactions involves rearrangement of atoms that forms molecule. Hence, the atom economy of these reactions are 100%.

- **Addition Reactions:**

- These reactions involves addition of two or more molecules without elimination that forms molecule. Hence, the atom economy of these reactions are 100%



- Conversion factor:

Amount of reactant reacted

$$\text{Conversion} = \frac{\text{Amount of reactant reacted}}{\text{Amount of reactant taken}} \times 100$$



- Reaction Selectivity

Reaction Selectivity =

Amount of desired product formed

x 100

Amount of product expected on the basis of reactant consumed



Environmental Load Factor:

- It is represented by E and it should be minimum.

$$E = \frac{\text{Total mass of effluent formed}}{\text{Mass of desired products}} \times 100$$