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Solution

Solution - A homogeneous mixture of two or more substances is called solution.

solute + solvent = Solution

Characteristics :

- 1). A solution consists of one phase only.
- 2). All the non-reacting gases mix together and form a homogeneous solution.
- 3). Two or more solids do not form homogeneous solution. But many alloys such as steel, Brass etc are homogeneous.
- 4). The composition of the solution may be changed within certain limits.
- 5). The solution shows the properties of its components.
- 6). The substance present in smaller amount is called solute. The substance present in relatively large proportion is called solvent.
- 7). In case of solid-liquid type of solutions, solid is always considered as solute.
- 8). In solutions, particles are of molecular size. The different components of the solution can not be separated by filtration, centrifugation etc.

Types of Solutions :-

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<u>Types</u>	<u>solute</u>	<u>solvent</u>	<u>Examples</u>
1) Gaseous solution	Gas	Gas	Air,
	liquid	Gas	$CHCl_3$ vapour mixed with N_2 gas.
	solid	Gas	Camphor vapour in N_2 gas.
2) Liquid solutions	Gas	liquid	O_2 dissolved in water
	liquid	liquid	Acetic acid in water
	solid	liquid	Aqueous soln of sugar
3) Solid solutions	Gas	solid	H_2 gas in Pt.
	liquid	solid	Sod. amalgam, zinc amalgam
	solid	solid	Copper in gold.

* Binary solution :-

When a solution contains, only two components, it is called binary solution. eg \rightarrow sugar & water,

* Ternary solution :-

When a solution contains, three components, it is called ternary solution. eg \rightarrow A solution of water, methanol & ethanol.

* Aqueous solution :-

In solution, when solvent is taken as water, called aqueous solution. eg \rightarrow Sugar in water

* Non-aqueous solution :-

In solution, when solvent is taken as organic -

- solvents in stead of water, called non-aqueous solution.

eg → when C_6H_6 , $CHCl_3$, C_2H_5OH etc are taken as solvent.

* Liquid solution:-

A solution in which solvent is liquid and solute may be solid, liquid or gas.

eg → O_2 dissolved in water, sugar solutions.

* Miscible liquid solution:-

Liquids which mix with each other are called miscible liquid solution.

eg → H_2O & ~~water~~^{milk}, H_2O & ~~benzene~~. Acetic acid.

* Immiscible liquid solution:-

Those liquids which do not mix with each other are called immiscible liquid solution.

eg → H_2O & $CHCl_3$, H_2O & benzene.

* Solid solution:-

Alloys are homogeneous and form solid solutions. eg → Brass, steel etc. Ionic solid such as NaCl, KCl form solid solutions together. H_2 gas dissolves in Pt or Pd forms solid solutions.

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