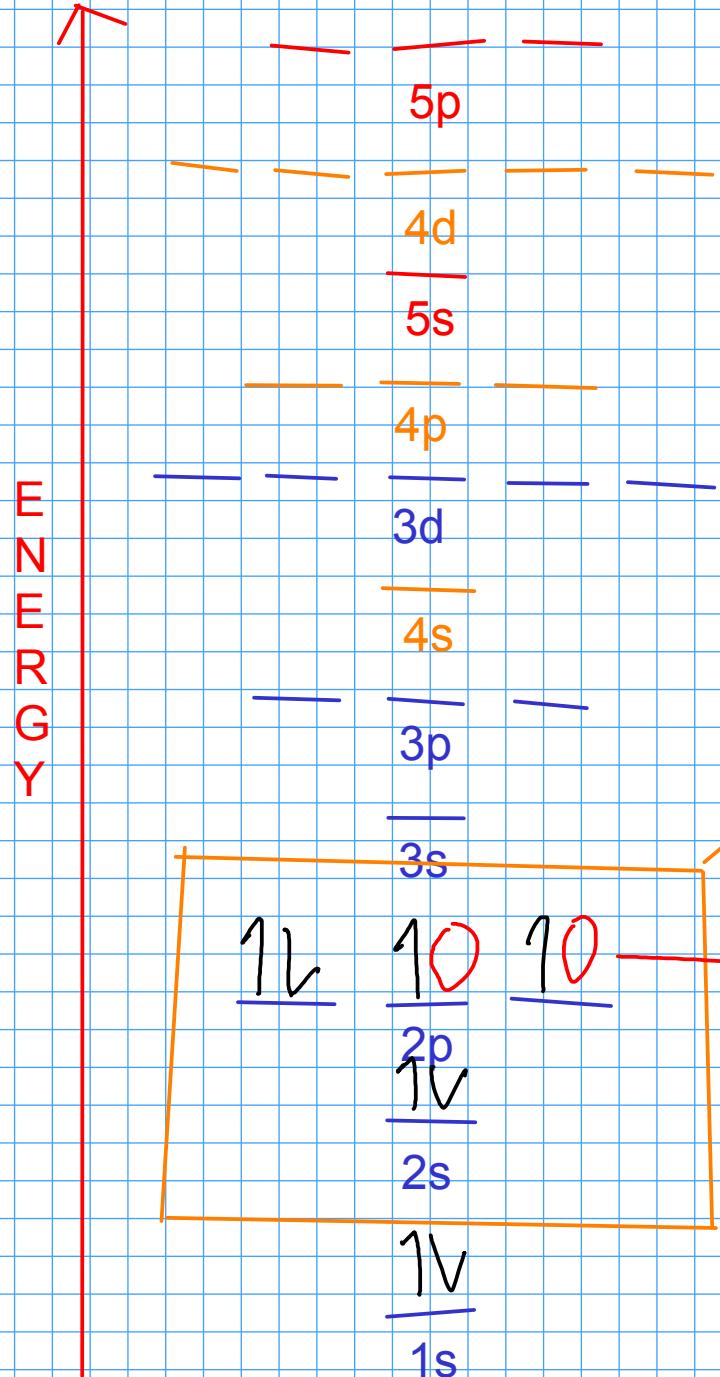


Example: Oxygen, Z = 8



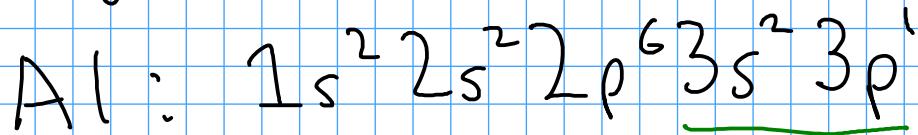
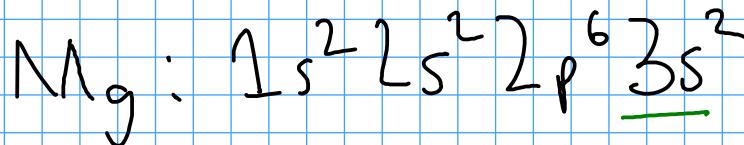
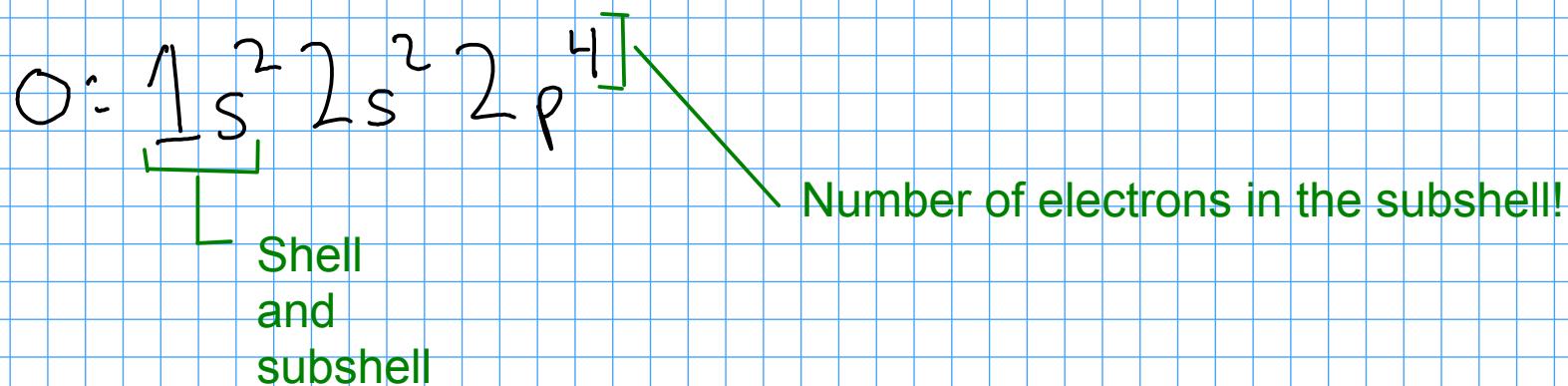
Valence electrons for oxygen. (6 electrons)

Oxygen needs two more electrons
to complete its outer "p" subshell!

In ionic compounds, oxygen has gained two electrons to become the oxide ion (2- charge). In molecular compounds, oxygen shares electrons with other atoms so that it has a share in eight electrons in its outer shell!

ELECTRON CONFIGURATION

- A shorthand way to write about electron arrangement around an atom.



two
elements
wide
IA

ELECTRON CONFIGURATION AND THE PERIODIC TABLE

Helium is part
of the "s" block!

"s" block: last electron in these atoms is in an "s" orbital!

"p" block: last electron in these atoms is in a "p" orbital!

"d" block: last electron in these atoms is in a "d" orbital

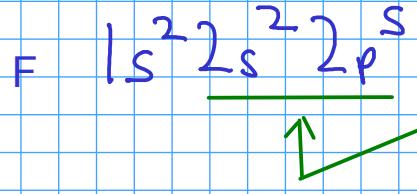
- To write an electron configuration using the periodic table, start at hydrogen, and count up the electrons until you reach your element!

	IA															VIIA		
1	H	IIA															He	
2	Li	Be															C	
3	Na	Mg	IIIB	IVB	VB	VIIB	VIIIB			IB	IIB	Al	Si	P	S	Cl	Ar	
4	K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr
5	Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe
6	Cs	Ba	La	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn
7	Fr	Ra	Ac	Rf	Db	Sg	Bh	Hs	Mt	* "inner" transition metals go here								

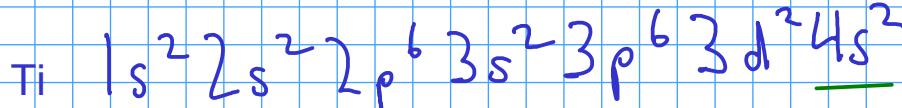
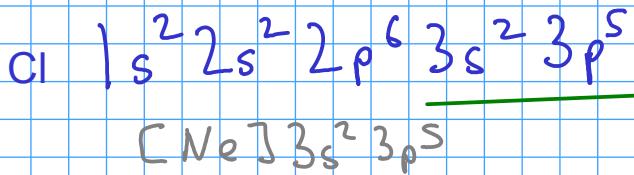
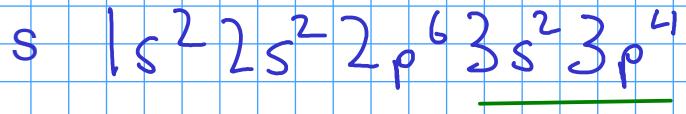
Example: Phosphorus (P): $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^3$

Phosphorus has five valence electrons!

EXAMPLES:

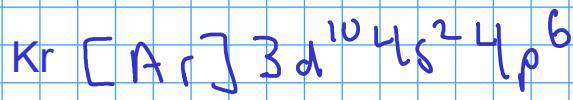
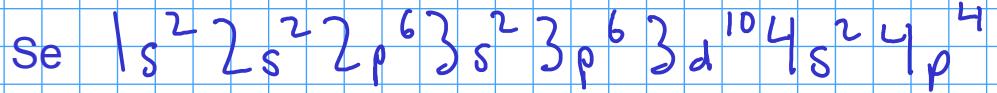
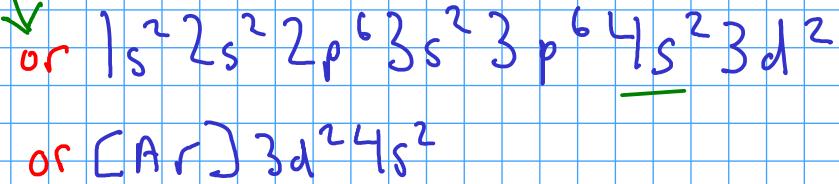


Remember - valence electrons are ALL of the electrons in the outermost SHELL! (may have more than one SUBSHELL)!



TITANIUM is a transition metal that commonly forms either +2 or +4 cations. The 4s electrons are lost when the +2 ion forms, while the 4s AND 3d electrons are lost to form the +4!

You can order the subshells in numeric order OR in filling order



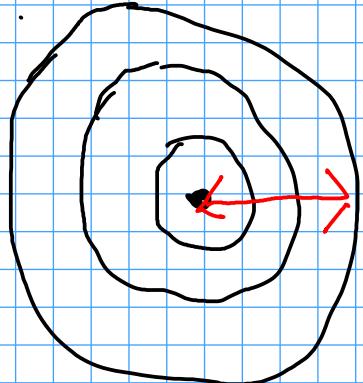
Noble gas core notation. Use the previous noble gas on the table, then add the electrons that it doesn't have to the end.

PERIODIC TRENDS

- Some properties of elements can be related to their positions on the periodic table.

ATOMIC RADIUS

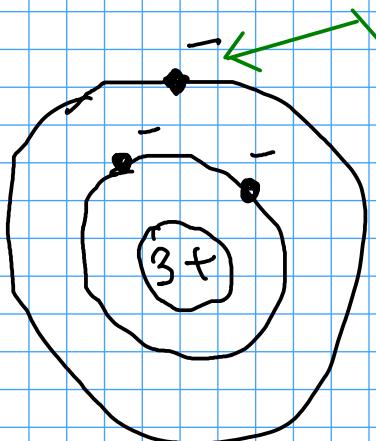
- The distance between the nucleus of the atoms and the outermost shell of the electron cloud.
- Relates to the size of the atom.
- As you go DOWN A GROUP (↓), the atomic radius INCREASES.



- Why? As you go down a period, you are ADDING SHELLS!

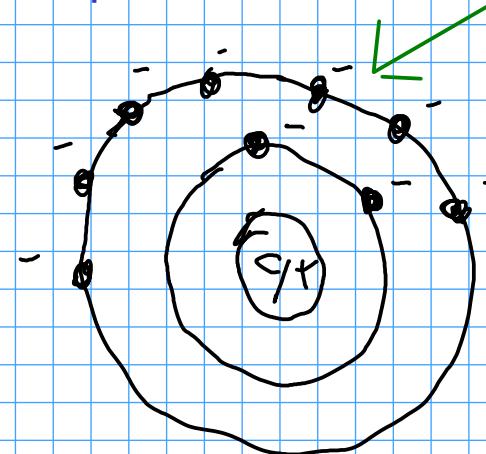
- As you go ACROSS A PERIOD (→), the atomic radius DECREASES

Why? Let's look at some sample atoms.



Outer electron
sees an
effective +1
charge (shielded
from +3 nucleus
by 2 electrons)

lithium



Outer electrons
see an
effective +7
charge (shielded
from +9 nucleus
by 2 electrons)

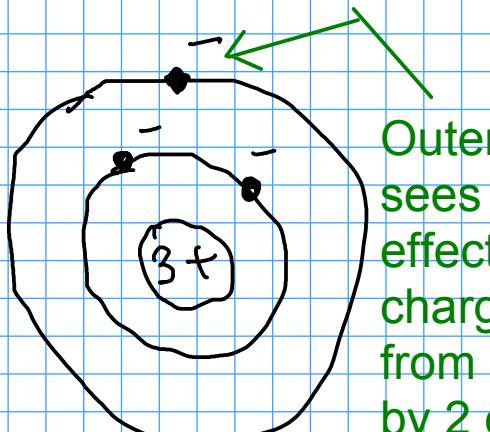
fluorine

... so fluorine's outer shell is pulled closer to the nucleus than lithium's!

IONIZATION ENERGY (or FIRST IONIZATION ENERGY)

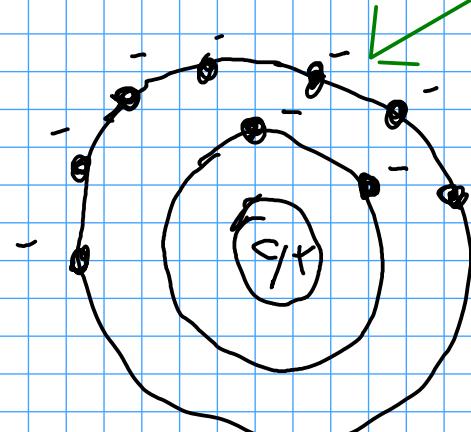
- The amount of energy required to remove a single electron from the outer shell of an atom.
- Relates to reactivity for metals. The easier it is to remove an electron, the more reactive the metal.
- As you go DOWN A GROUP (↓), the ionization energy DECREASES.
 - Why? As you go down a period, you are ADDING SHELLS. Since the outer electrons are farther from the nucleus and charge attraction lessens with distance, this makes electrons easier to remove as the atoms get bigger!
- As you go ACROSS A PERIOD (→), the ionization energy INCREASES.

- Why? Let's look at some sample atoms.



lithium

Outer electron
sees an
effective +1
charge (shielded
from +3 nucleus
by 2 electrons)



fluorine

Outer electrons
see an
effective +7
charge (shielded
from +9 nucleus
by 2 electrons)

... since fluorine's outer electrons are held on by a larger effective charge, they are more difficult to remove than lithium's.

PERIODIC TRENDS IN A NUTSHELL

LARGER IONIZATION ENERGY

SMALLER RADIUS

*"inner" transition metals go here

LARGER RADIUS SMALLER IONIZATION ENERGY

DESCRIBING CHEMICAL BONDING

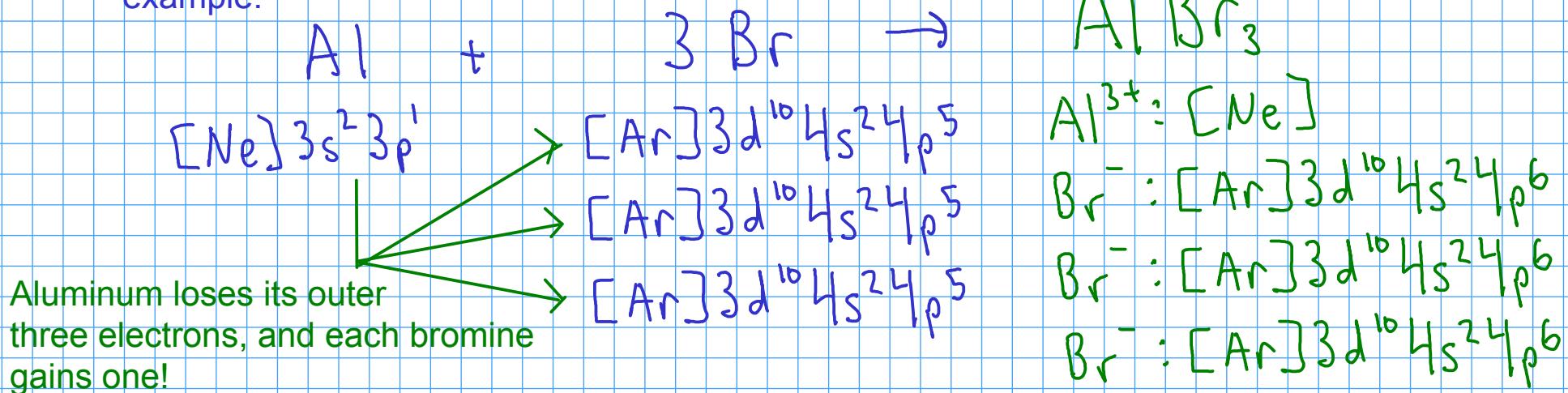
"octet rule"

- a "rule of thumb" (NOT a scientific law) predicting how atoms will exchange or share electrons to form chemical compounds
- atoms will gain, lose, or share enough electrons so that they end up with full "s" and "p" subshells in their outermost shell.
 - Why "octet"? An "s" subshell can hold two electrons, while a "p" subshell can hold six. $2+6=8$

IONIC COMPOUNDS

- When atoms react to form IONS, they GAIN or LOSE enough electrons to end up with full "s" and "p" subshells.

example:

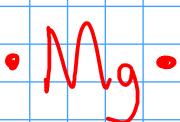
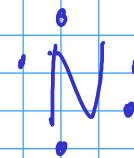
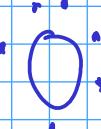
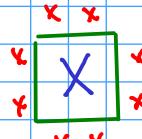


... but using electron configurations to describe how aluminum bromide forms is a bit cumbersome! Can we simplify the picture a bit?

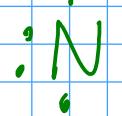
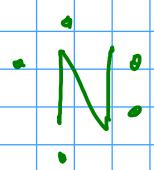
LEWIS NOTATION / ELECTRON-DOT NOTATION

- Lewis notation represents each VALENCE electron with a DOT drawn around the atomic symbol. Since the valence shell of an atom contains only "s" and "p" electrons, the maximum number of dots drawn will be EIGHT.
- To use electron-dot notation, put a dot for each valence electron around the atomic symbol. Put one dot on each "side" of the symbol (4 sides), then pair the dots for atoms that have more than four valence electrons.

examples:



Which "side" you draw the dots on isn't important, as long as you have the right number of electrons and the right number of "pairs"



... are all equivalent!

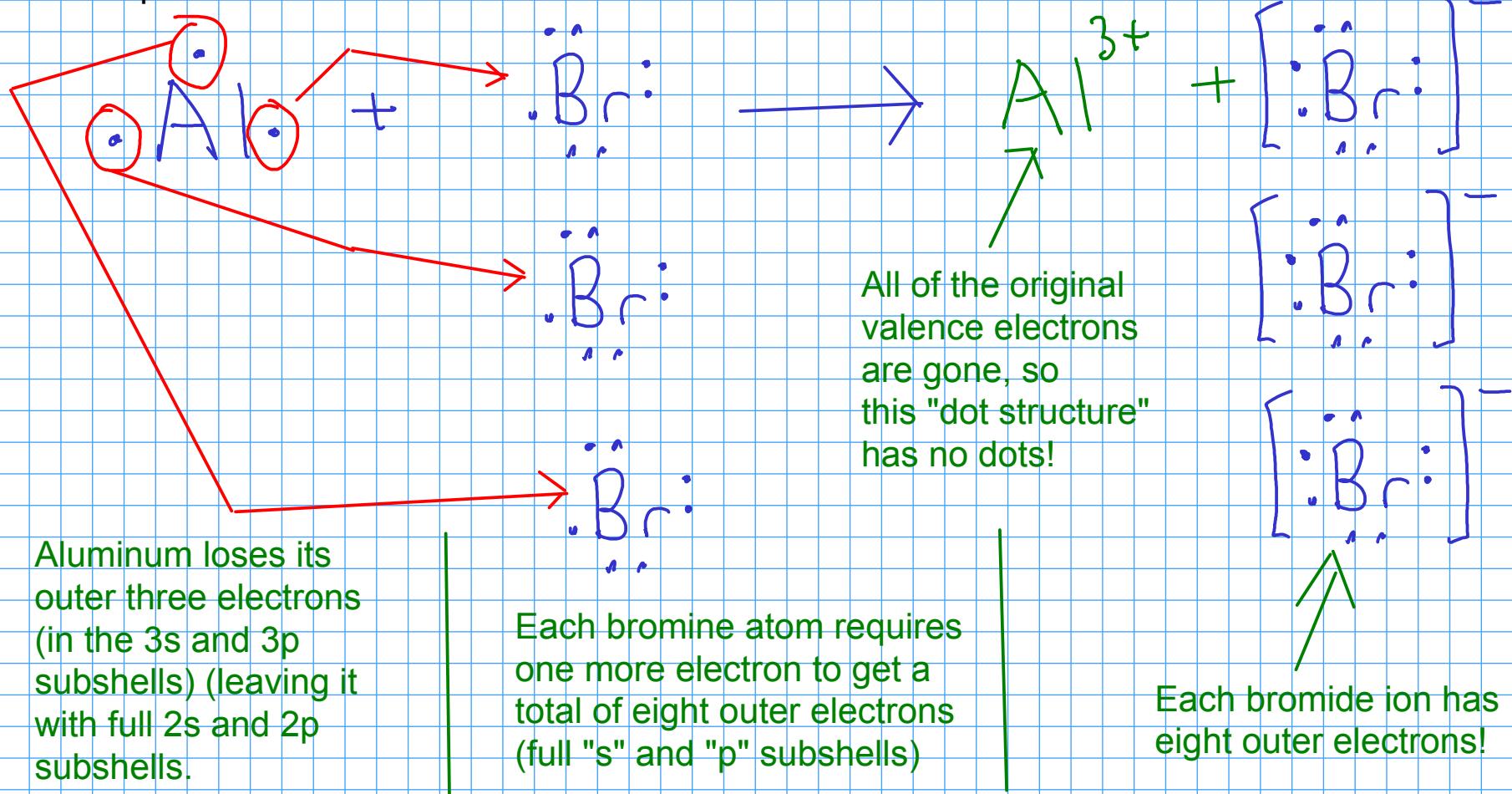
To draw a dot structure for an atom, you need to know HOW MANY valence electrons it has! You can determine this simply from the periodic table, WITHOUT writing the whole electron configuration!

	IA	IIA	The number of valence electrons equals the group number in the A/B group numbering system										VIIIA					
1	H	Be											He					
2	Li																	
3	Na	Mg	IIIB	IVB	VB	VIB	VIIB	VIIIB	IB	IIB	Al	Si	P	S	Cl	Ar		
4	K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr
5	Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe
6	Cs	Ba	La*	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn
7	Fr	Ra	Ac*	Rf	Db	Sg	Bh	Hs	Mt									

Annotations:

- Orange bracket on the left side: "2 valence electrons" (covering groups 1 and 2)
- Orange bracket on the left side: "1 valence electron" (covering group 3)
- Orange bracket on the right side: "6 valence electrons" (covering groups 13-17)
- Orange bracket on the right side: "7 valence electrons" (covering group 18)
- Orange bracket on the right side: "8 valence electrons (except helium!)" (covering group 18)
- Green bracket across the top: "The number of valence electrons equals the group number in the A/B group numbering system"
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... but how do we use this to describe a reaction that produces ions? Let's look at our previous example!

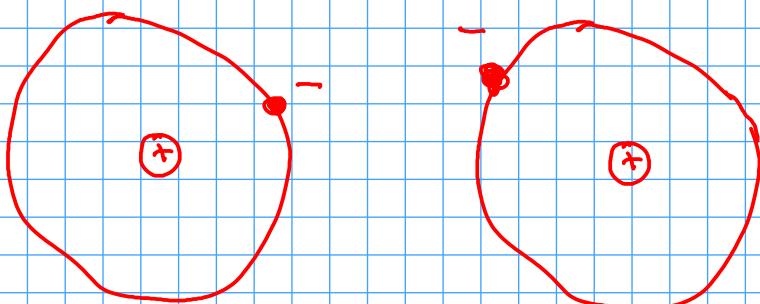


... this is a bit easier to follow than looking at all those letters and numbers in the electron configurations for these elements!

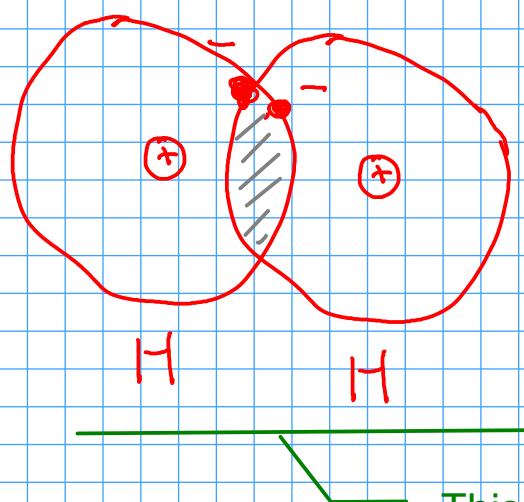
MOLECULAR COMPOUNDS

- Form when atoms SHARE electrons instead of transferring them. This results in the formation of MOLECULES ... groups of atoms held together by electron-sharing.

How might atoms SHARE electrons? By coming together close enough so that their atomic ORBITALS overlap each other:



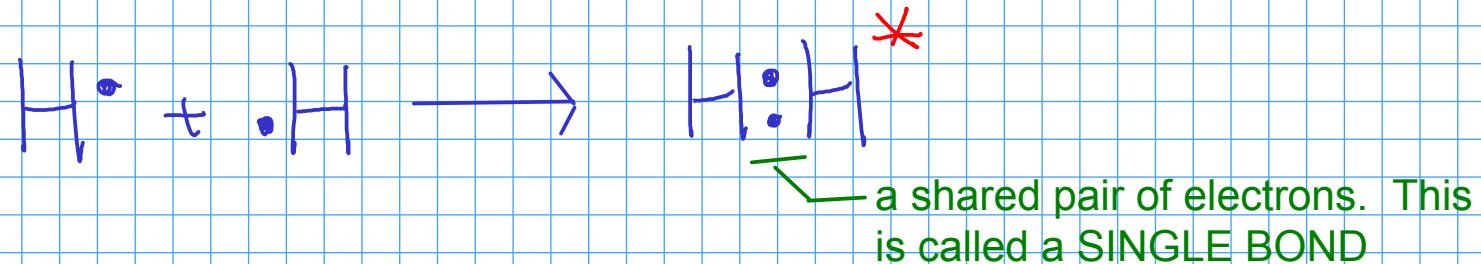
Each hydrogen atom has a single electron in a 1s orbital.



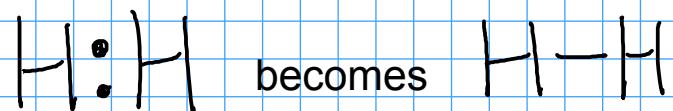
When hydrogen atoms come close enough to each other for these orbitals to OVERLAP, each hydrogen "sees" BOTH electrons, filling up the "s" orbitals of both atoms. This is a COVALENT BOND.

This is the DIATOMIC MOLECULE, H_2

... so how would this look using dot notation?

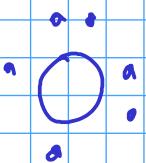
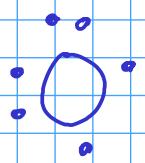


In dot structures, SHARED PAIRS of electrons are often written as DASHES to make the structures look neater.

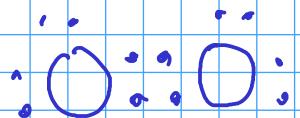


* Why doesn't hydrogen end up with eight electrons? Because hydrogen has only the first shell, which contains only a single "s" subshell (NO "p" subshell). This "s" subshell is full with two electrons, and that's all hydrogen needs to get.

Let's look at OXYGEN ...



We know that oxygen exists in air as the diatomic molecule O_2 .



The oxygen atoms share TWO pairs of electrons. This is called a DOUBLE BOND

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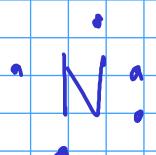
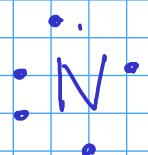


Each oxygen atom has a share in eight electrons!

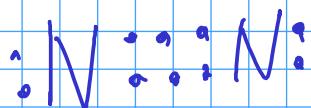
A few notes on the double bond:

- ① - For atoms to share more than one pair of electrons, they have to move closer to one another than they would if they were only sharing one pair of electrons. This BOND DISTANCE is measurable!
- ② - It takes more energy to break a double bond between two atoms than it would to break a single bond between the same two atoms. This BOND ENERGY is also measurable!

Let's look at NITROGEN ...

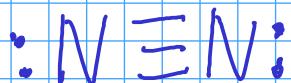


We know that nitrogen exists in air as the diatomic molecule N_2



The nitrogen atoms share THREE pairs of electrons. This is called a TRIPLE BOND

OR



A few notes on the triple bond:

- ① - For atoms to share three pairs of electrons, they have to move closer to one another than they would if they were sharing one or two pairs of electrons. Triple bonds have the shortest BOND DISTANCE of all covalent bonds.
- ② - It takes more energy to break a triple bond between two atoms than it would to break either a single or double bond between the same two atoms. The triple bond has the largest BOND ENERGY of all three kinds of covalent bonds.