ELECTRON CONFIGURATION AND THE PERIODIC TABLE

IA	IIA	IIIB	IVB	VB	VIB	VIIB	VIIIB			IB	IIB	IIIA	IVA	VA	VIA	VIIA	VIIIA
H																	He
Li	Be											B	C	N	O	F	Ne
Na	Mg											Al	Si	P	S	Cl	Ar
K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr
Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe
Cs	Ba	La*	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn
Fr	Ra	Ac*	Rf	Db	Sg	Bh	Hs	Mt									

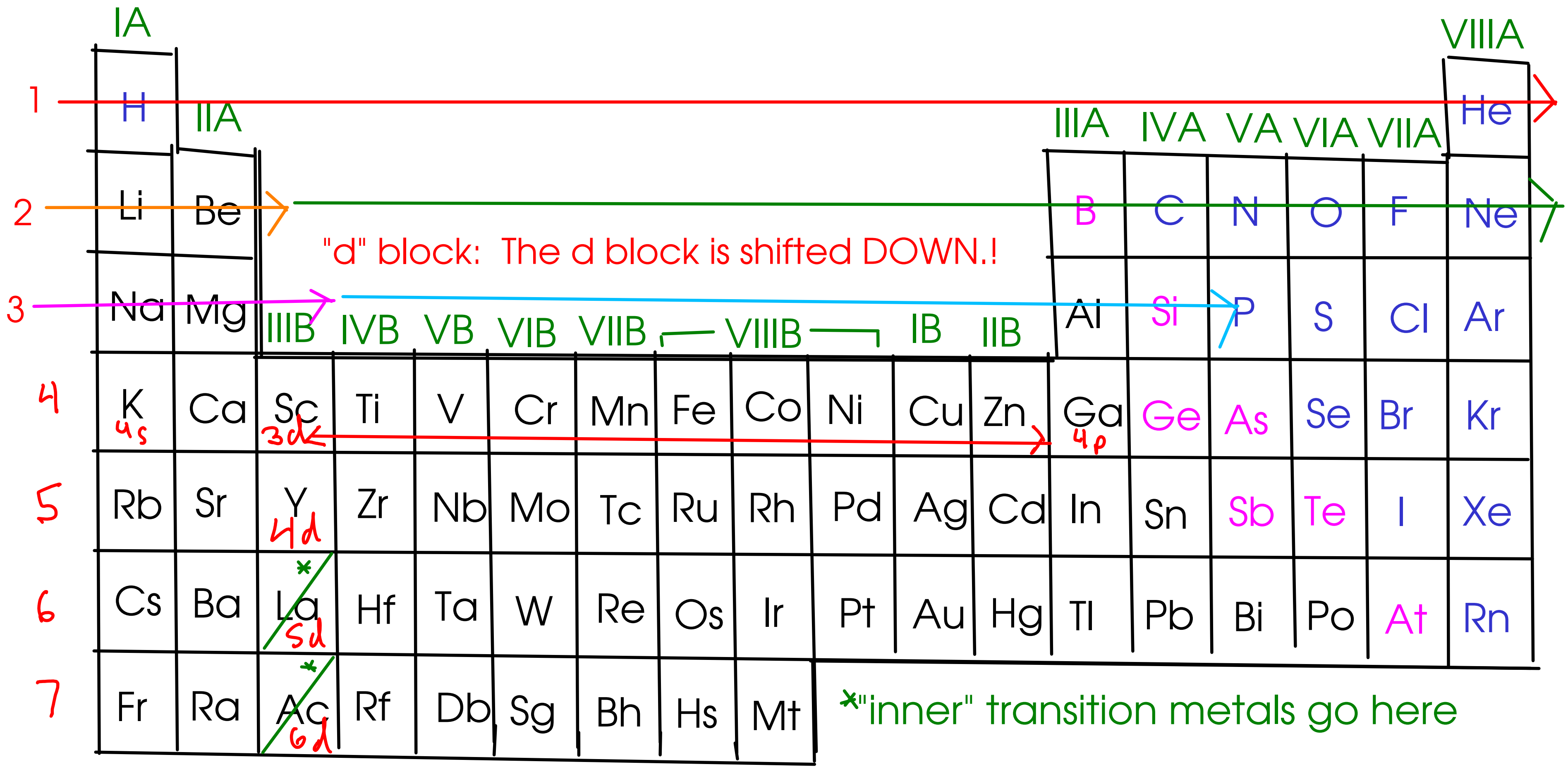
*"inner" transition metals go here

"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!



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

Phosphorus has FIVE valence electrons!

Noble gas core notation for P: $[Ne] 3s^2 3p^3$

EXAMPLES:

F $1s^2 2s^2 2p^5$

Remember - valence electrons are ALL of the electrons in the outermost SHELL (n)! More that one subshell (l) may be included in the valence electrons

S $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^4$

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!

Cl $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^5$

[Ne] $3s^2 3p^5$

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

Ti $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 3d^2 4s^2$ or $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 4s^2 3d^2$

or [Ar] $3d^2 4s^2$

Se $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 3d^{10} 4s^2 4p^4$

or [Ar] $3d^{10} 4s^2 4p^4$

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

Kr [Ar] $3d^{10} 4s^2 4p^6$

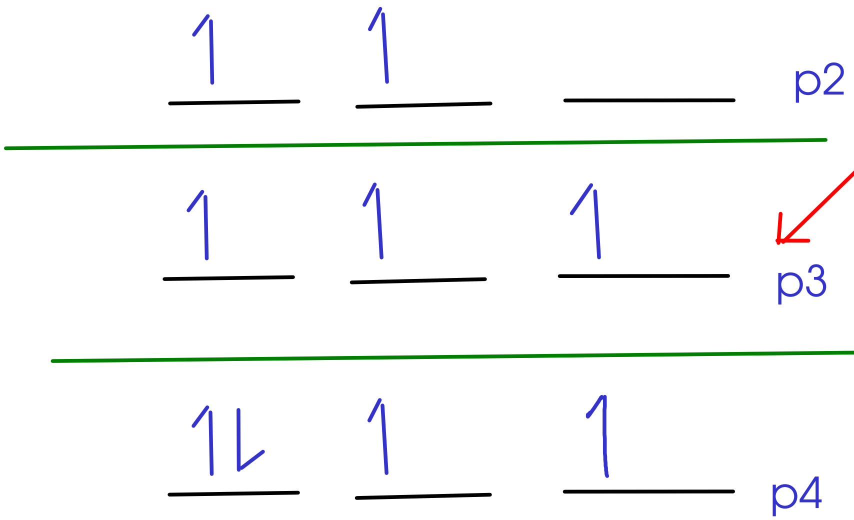
~~[Kr]~~

Sample f-block element

Ce: [Xe] $6s^2 5d^1 4f^1$

Hund's Rule

- When you have two or more orbitals with equivalent energy, electrons will go into each equivalent orbital BEFORE pairing. Pairing costs a bit of energy - less than going to a higher-energy orbital, but more than going to another equivalent orbital.



Electron configurations with filled subshells OR HALF-FILLED SUBSHELLS are more stable than other configurations.
(can explain some transition metal chemistry)

Electrons begin to pair only AFTER all equivalent "p" orbitals are full.

Experimental evidence for Hund's rule:

"Paramagnetism" - attraction of an atom to a magnetic field

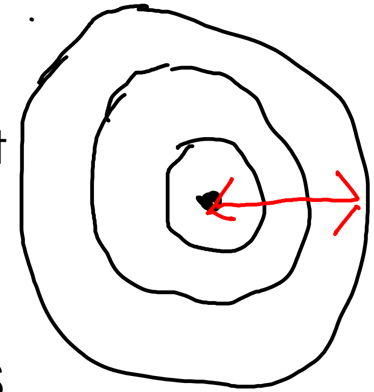
* Spinning electrons are magnetic, but OPPOSITE spins cancel each other out.

* Atoms with unpaired electrons are paramagnetic, while atoms containing only paired electrons are not.

PERIODIC TRENDS

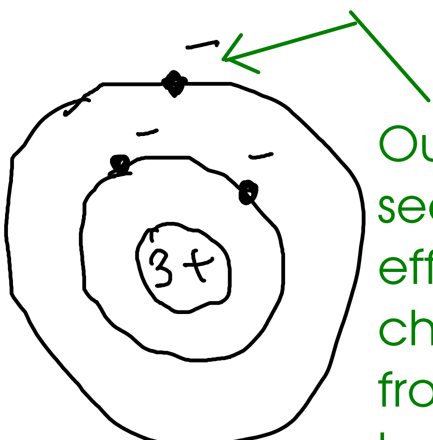
- Some properties of elements can be related to their positions on the periodic table.

ATOMIC RADIUS



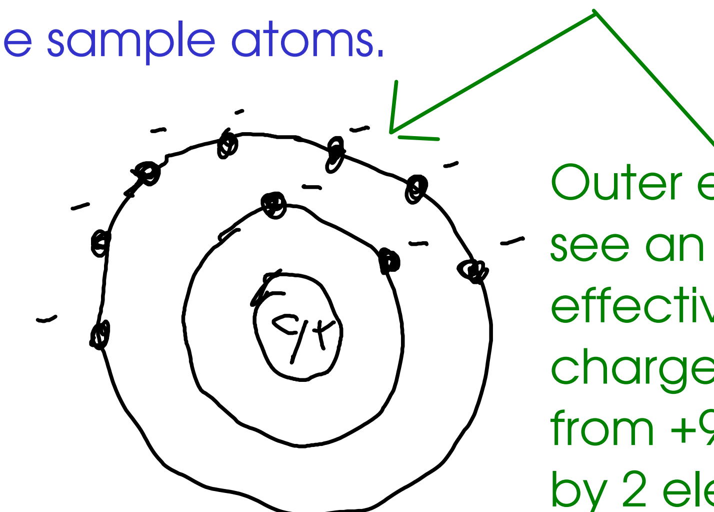
- The distance between the nucleus of the atoms and the outermost shell of the electron cloud.
- Relates to the size of the atom.
- As you go DOWN A GROUP (↓), the atomic radius INCREASES.
  - Why? As you go down a period, you are ADDING SHELLS!
- As you go ACROSS A PERIOD (⟶), the atomic radius DECREASES

Why? Let's look at some sample atoms.



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

lithium $1s^2 2s^1$



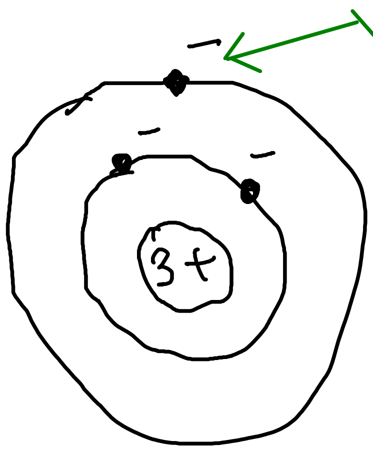
Outer electrons see an effective +7 charge (shielded from +9 nucleus by 2 electrons)

fluorine $1s^2 2s^2 2p^5$

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

(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.



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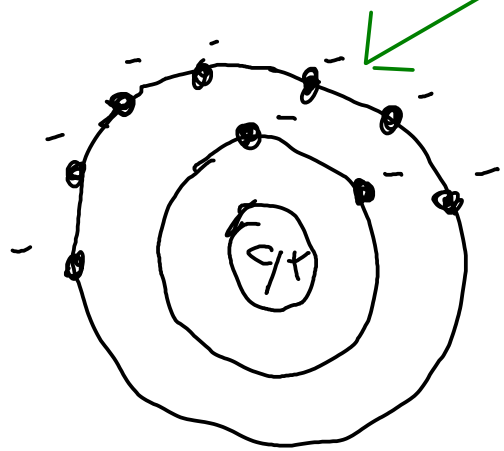

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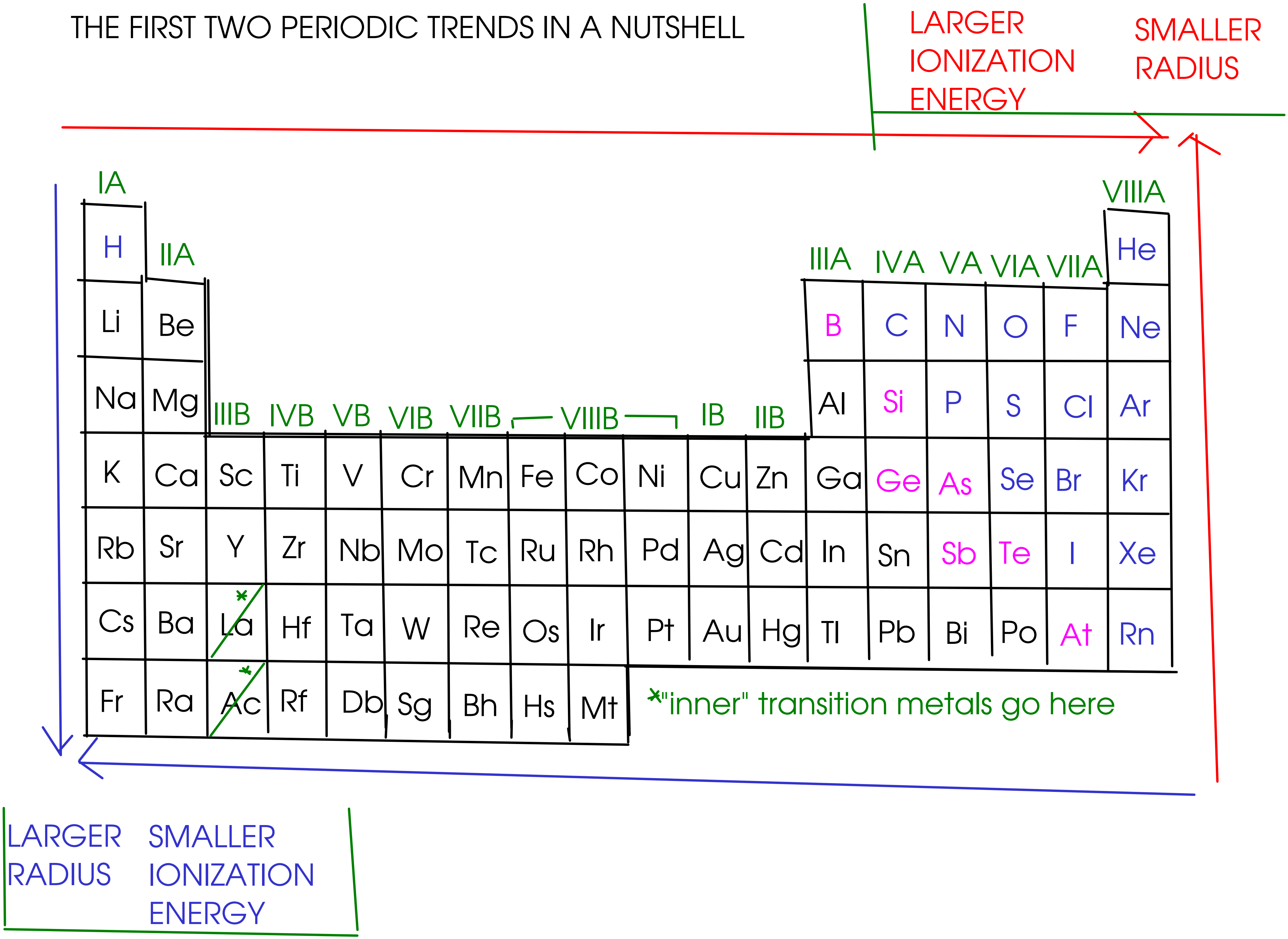
fluorine

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

THE FIRST TWO PERIODIC TRENDS IN A NUTSHELL



ELECTRON AFFINITY

- the electron affinity is the ENERGY CHANGE on adding a single electron to an atom.
    - Atoms with a positive electron affinity cannot form anions.
    - The more negative the electron affinity, the more stable the anion formed!

- General trend: As you move to the right on the periodic table, the electron affinity becomes more negative.

EXCEPTIONS

- Group IIA does not form anions (positive electron affinity)!

ns^2 — valence electrons for Group IIA!

n — period number

- To add an electron, the atom must put it into a higher-energy (p) subshell.

- Group VA: can form anions, but has a more POSITIVE electron affinity than IVA

ns^2np^3 — valence electrons for Group VA!

np^3 — Half-full "p" subshell! To add an electron, must start pairing!

- Group VIIIA (noble gases) does not form anions

ns^2np^6 — full "s" and "p" subshells!

"MAIN" or "REPRESENTATIVE" GROUPS OF THE PERIODIC TABLE

	IA	IIA
1	H	
2	Li	Be
3	Na	Mg
4	K	Ca
5	Rb	Sr
6	Cs	Ba
7	Fr	Ra

Alkaline earth metals (IIA)

Alkali metals (IA)

Read about these in Section 8.7 of the Ebbing textbook!

IIIA	IVA	VA	VIA	VIIA	VIIIA
					He
B	C	N	O	F	Ne
Al	Si	P	S	Cl	Ar
Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr
In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe
Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn

Chalcogens (VIA)

Halogens (VIIA)

Noble/Inert gases (VIIIA)

The representative (main) groups

GROUP IA - the alkali metals

valence electrons:

ns^1

- React with water to form HYDROXIDES

$$2M + 2H_2O \rightarrow 2\underline{MOH} + H_2$$

alkali metals form BASES when put into water!

- Alkali metal OXIDES also form bases when put into water. (This is related to METALLIC character. The more metallic something is, the more basic its oxide. Nonmetals have ACIDIC oxides!) M_2O

- Physical properties: All of these elements are soft metals with relatively low melting points.

GROUP IIA - the alkaline earth metals

valence electrons:

ns^2

- May react with water in a reaction similar to the alkali metals, producing hydroxides and hydrogen gas. For some of the alkaline earth metals, this reaction takes place at a significant rate only at high temperatures..

- Form basic oxides, formula: MO

- These elements are soft and low-melting ... but harder and higher melting than alkali metals.

- The name "alkaline earth" comes from the observation that the "earths" (oxides) of these metals are basic.

GROUP IIIA

valence electrons:

ns^2np^1

- most of the elements in this group are metals, but there is also a semiconductor (boron).

- The oxides of these elements are of the form M_2O_3

  - oxides of boron are acidic (metalloids tend to behave more like nonmetals in the acidity of their oxides).

  - Aluminum and gallium have AMPHOTERIC oxides (react as acids or bases), and the larger Group IIIA oxides are basic

- These elements do not react directly with water to make hydroxides, unlike Groups IA and IIA.

GROUP IVA

valence electrons

ns^2np^2

-contains some elements of each type: nonmetal, metalloid, and metal.

- oxides range from acidic to amphoteric, with formulas MO_2 or MO (C, Pb form both!)

- don't react with water to make hydroxides

GROUP VA

valence electrons

ns^2np^3

-range from nonmetal to metallic, but with only one metal (bismuth).

- Oxides of group VA nonmetals are acidoc, while the group VA metalloids have amphoteric oxides. Bismuth's oxide is basic

- Formulas of these oxides vary considerably, but the most common variants are: RO_2, RO_3

GROUP VIA - the chalcogens

valence electrons

ns^2np^4

- Like Group VA, formulas of oxides of these elements vary. Common ones are: RO_2, RO_3

- mostly nonmetals/metalloids, plus one metal (polonium). Oxides range from acidic to amphoteric.

- This group's name means - "ore producers" Many metal ores contain oxygen and/or sulfur!

GROUP VIIA - the halogens

electron configuration:

ns^2np^5

- react with water, but form ACIDS when they do so! (ex: chlorine and water make HCl and HOCl).
- Oxides of the halogens are not very stable, but they are acidic.
- nonmetals, exist primarily as DIATOMIC MOLECULES.
- halogens are very similar in their chemical reactions, even though their physical appearance varies considerably!
- This group's name means "salt formers" (think sodium chloride)

GROUP VIIIA - the noble or inert gases

electron configuration:

ns^2np^6

- characterized by their lack of chemical reactivity. The lighter noble gases have no known compounds, while the heavier ones sometimes form molecules with reactive elements like oxygen and fluorine.
- exist primarily as single (uncombined) atoms - NOT diatomic molecules like the halogens.