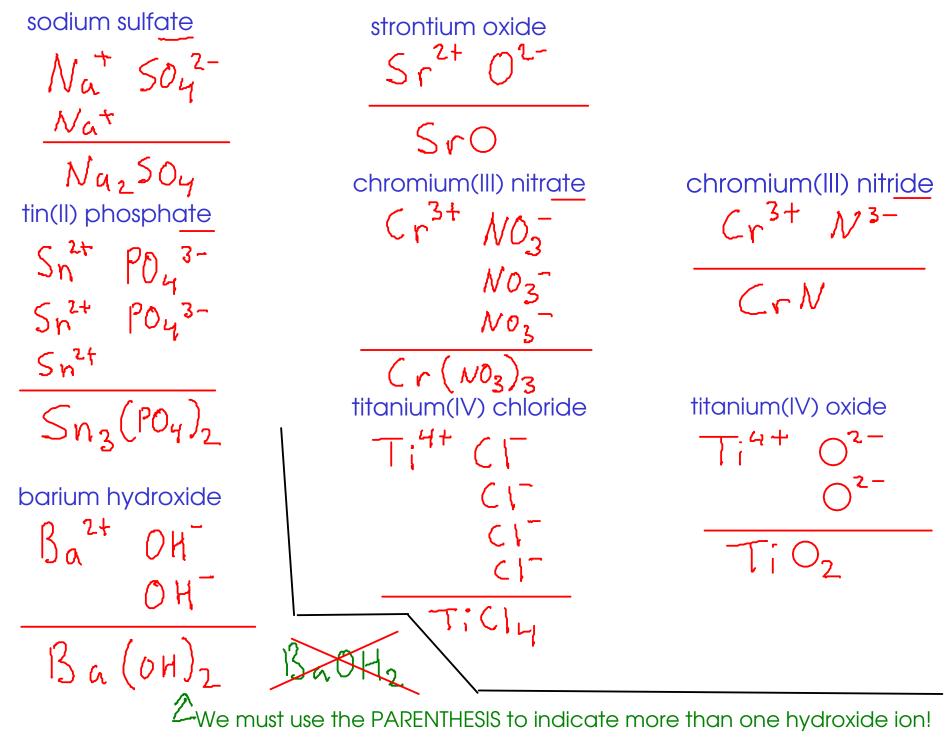
DETERMINING IONIC FORMULAS



### MOLECULAR COMPOUNDS

- There are several kinds of molecular compound. We will learn to name two simple but important classes

# BINARY MOLECULAR COMPOUNDS

- molecular compounds containing only two elements

- molecular compounds that dissolve in water to release  $\vec{H^{T}}$  ions
- corrosive to metals (react with many to produce hydrogen gas)
- contact hazard: can cause chemical burns to eyes and skin
- sour taste
- turn litmus indicator RED
- two kinds of acids:

() <u>BINARY ACIDS</u>

usually Group VIIA

- contain <u>hydrog</u>en and one other element

OXYACIDS

- contain hydrogen, OXYGEN, and another element

### **BINARY MOLECULAR COMPOUNDS**

- Named based on the elements they contain, plus prefixes to indicate the number of atoms of each element in each molecule

) FIRST ELEMENT

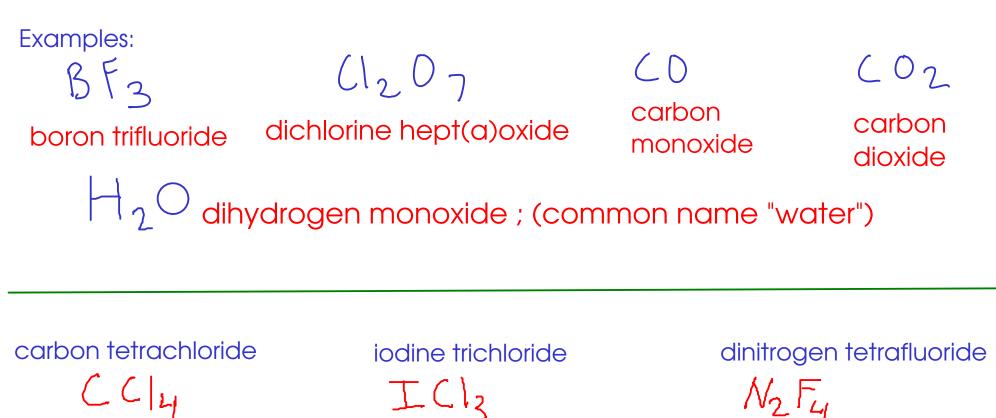
- Add a GREEK PREFIX to the name of the element.
- Omit the "MONO-" (1) prefix if there is only one atom of the first element

2/ SECOND ELEMENT

- Add a GREEK PREFIX to the STEM NAME of the element
- Add the suffix <u>"-id</u>e" (as if you were naming an anion)
- DO NOT omit the "mono-" prefix if there is only one atom of the second element

MEMORIZE THE GREEK PREFIXES. SEE COURSE WEB SITE FOR A LIST!

#### **BINARY MOLECULAR COMPOUNDS**



 $M_{\alpha}$  (1, 2): magnesium CHLORIDE (not magnesium DICHLORIDE). It's IONIC.

How can we tell them apart? Simplest way: Ionic compounds usually contain a METAL as their first element, while MOLECULES contain no metal atoms. (exception: AMMONIUM compounds are ionic, but start with a nonmetal)

# ) BINARY ACIDS

- named after the element (other than hydrogen) they contain

ACIDS

- common binary acids include a Group VIIA element
- named: "Hydro-" + STEM NAME OF ELEMENT+ "-ic acid"

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Four common
binary
acids H \in I hydrofluoric acid H \subseteq I hydrochloric acid H \subseteq I hydrobromic acid H \subseteq I hydrobromic acid H \subseteq I hydroiodic acid
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#### ACIDS

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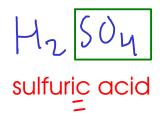
- Easy to think about as HYDROGEN IONS combined with POLYATOMIC IONS

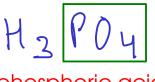
- These acids are not true ionic compounds, but they interact with water to PRODUCE ions!

- named based on the polyatomic ion they contain, with an ending change:

() - ions ending in -ATE form acids ending in -IC

 $\mathfrak{V}$ - ions ending in -ITE form acids ending in -OUS





phosphoric acid

sulfurous acid

nitr<u>ic</u> acid