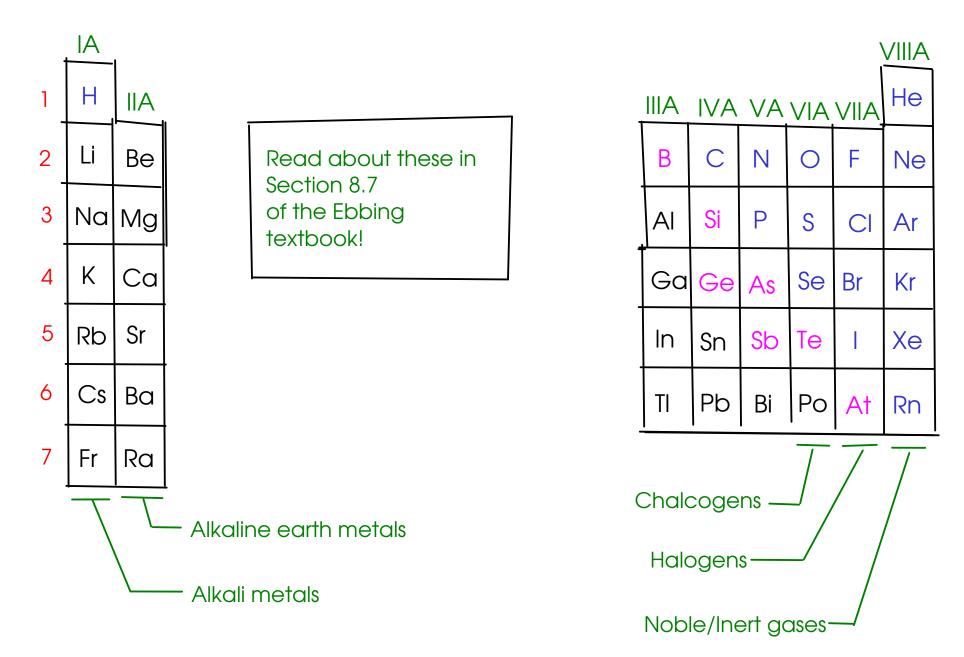
## "MAIN" or "REPRESENTATIVE" GROUPS OF THE PERIODIC TABLE



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The representative (main) groups
GROUP IA - the alkali metals
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- React with water to form HYDROXIDES

$$2M + 2H_2O \rightarrow 2MOH + H_2$$
  
 $alkali metals form BASES when put into water!$ 

- 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.

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GROUP IIA - the alkaline earth metals
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valence electrons:

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- 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.

valence electrons:  $ns^2 np^{\prime}$ 

- 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  $M_2 O_3$

- 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  $NS^n p^2$ 

- -contains some elements of each type: nonmetal, metalloid, and metal.
- oxides range from acidic to amphoteric, with formulas  $MO_2 \circ r MO(c, Pb form both!)$
- don't react with water to make hydroxides

valence electrons  $NS^2N\rho^3$ 

-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:  $R D_{2}, R D_{3}$  - 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!

# electron configuration: $NS^2N\rho^5$

- react with water, but form ACIDS when they do so! (ex: chlorine and water make HCI and HOCI).
- 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:

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- 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.

- A CHEMICAL BOND is a strong attractive force between the atoms in a compound.

**3 TYPES OF CHEMICAL BOND** 

TYPE	Held together by	Etample
Ionic bonds	attractive forces between oppositely charged ions	sodium chloride
<u>Covalent</u> bonds	sharing of valence electrons between two atoms (sometimes more - "delocalized bonds")	water
* Metallic bonds	sharing of valence electrons with all atoms in the metal's structure - make the metal conduct electricity	any metal

★For CHM 110, you don't need to know anything more about metallic bonds than what's in this table. If you take physics, you may learn more about the characteristics of the metallic bond. <sup>194</sup> ... so how can you tell what kind of bond you have? You can use the traditional rules of thumb:

- Metal-Nonmetal bonds will be ionic

Metalloids act like NONMETALS, here.

- Nonmetal-nonmetal bonds are usually covalent

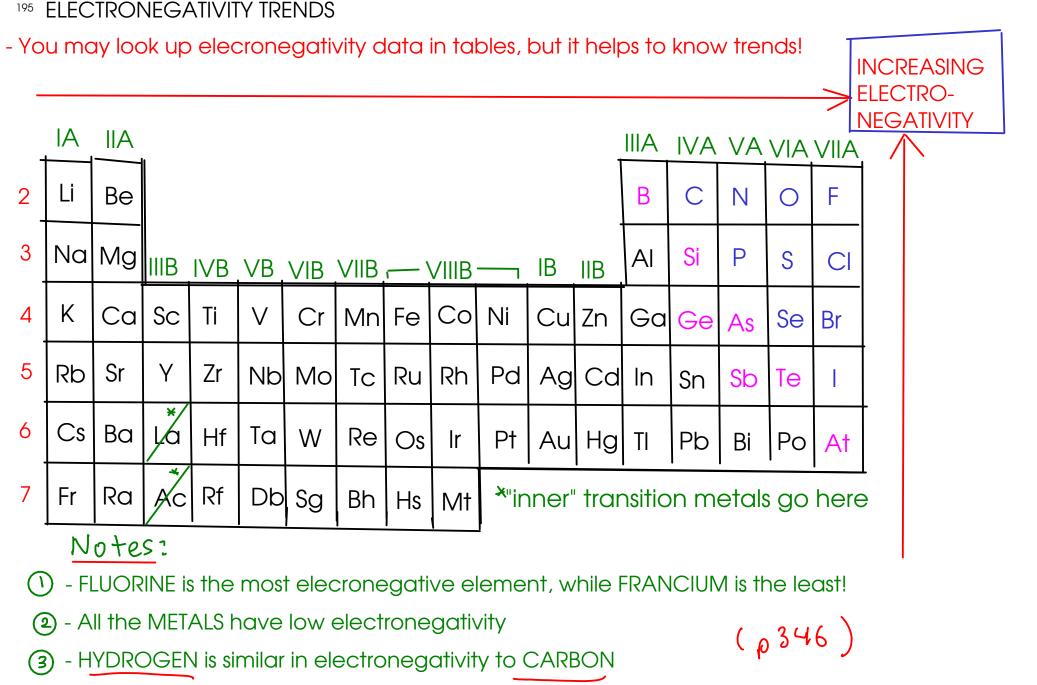
... but for better information about bonding, you can use ELECTRONEGATIVITY.

ELECTRONEGATIVITY: -A measure of how closely to itself an atom will hold shared electrons p346: chart of electroneg. valves

... in other words, how ELECTRON-GREEDY an atom is!

Bonds with	are	Examples
Little or no difference in electronegativity between atoms	NONPOLAR COVALENT	C-C, C-H, etc.
Larger differences in electronegativity between atoms	* POLAR COVALENT	H-F, C-F, C-Cl, etc.
Very large differences in electronegativity between atoms	IONIC	NaCI, KBr, etc.

★ A POLAR bond is a bond where electrons are shared unevenly - electrons spend more time around one atom than another, resulting in a bond with slightly charged ends



... so C-H bonds are NONPOLAR

### DESCRIBING CHEMICAL BONDING

# "octet rule"

- a "rule of thumb" (NOT a scienfitic 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.

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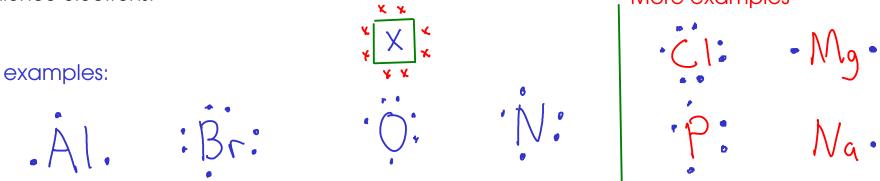
example:

 $[Ne]_{3s}^{2}_{3p} \rightarrow [Ar]_{3d}^{10}_{4s}_{4s}^{2}_{4p}^{5}$ Aluminum loses its outer  $[Ar]_{3d}^{10}_{4s}_{4s}^{2}_{4p}^{5}$ three electrons, and each bromine gains one! A[Br<sub>3</sub> A]<sup>3+</sup>: [Ne] Br<sup>-</sup>: [Ar]3d<sup>10</sup>4s<sup>2</sup>4p<sup>6</sup> Br<sup>-</sup>: [Ar]3d<sup>10</sup>4s<sup>2</sup>4p<sup>6</sup> Br<sup>-</sup>: [Ar]3d<sup>10</sup>4s<sup>2</sup>4p<sup>6</sup> <sup>197</sup> ... 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

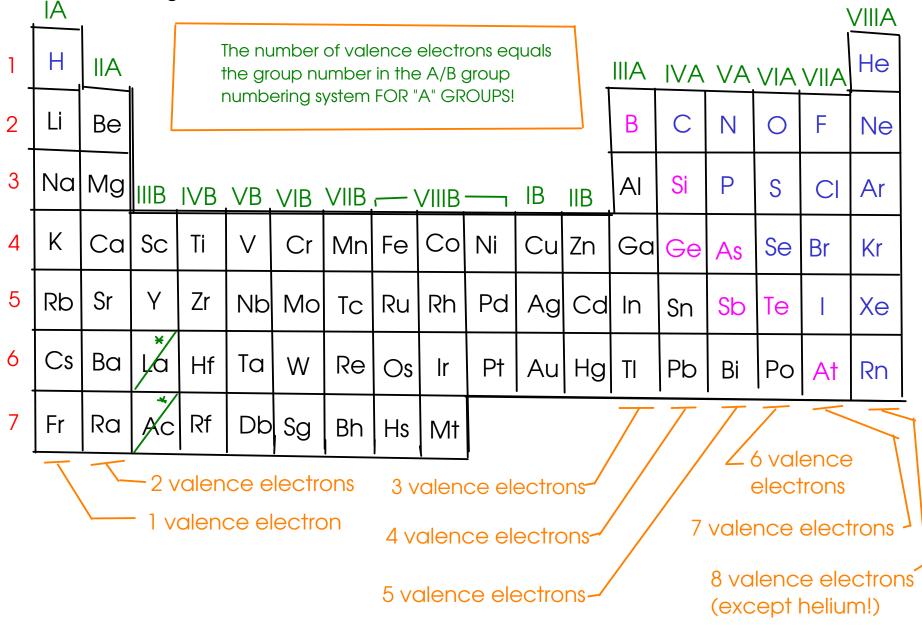
- Lewis notation represents each VALENCE electron with a DOT drawn around the atomic symbol. Since the valence shell of an atom contains only "s" and "p" electrons, the maximum number of dots drawn will be EIGHT.

- 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.

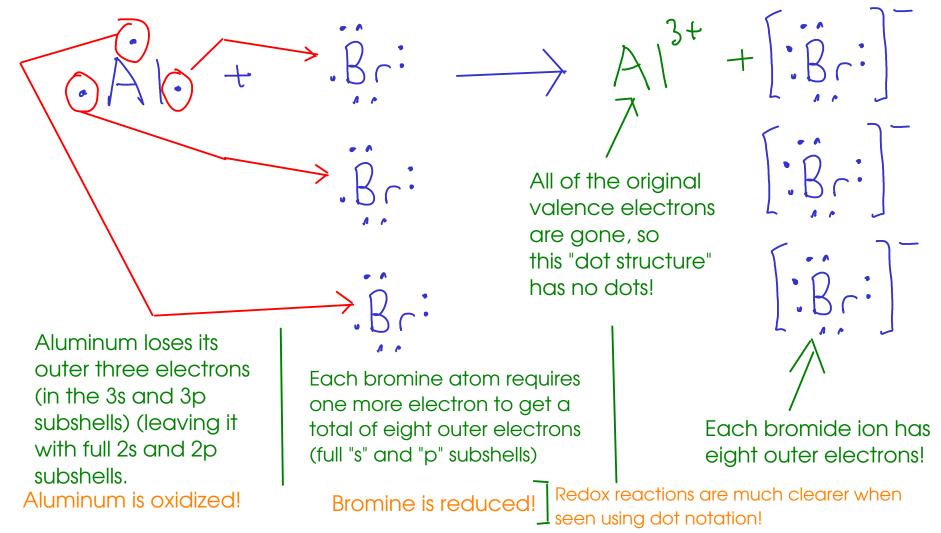


Which "side" you draw the dots on isn't important, as long as you have the right number of electrons and the right number of "pairs"

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!



... but how do we use this to describe a reaction that produces ions? Let's look at our previous example!

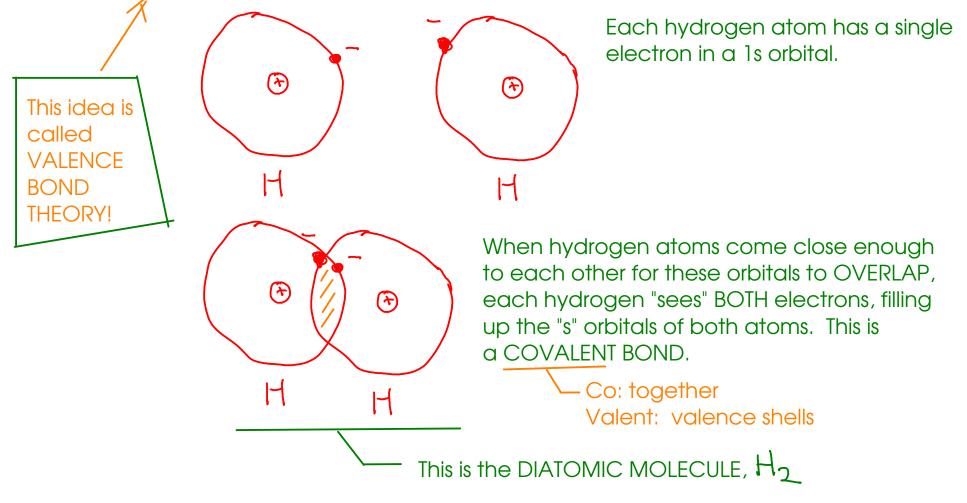


... this is a bit easier to follow than looking at all those letters and numbers in the electron configurations for these elements!

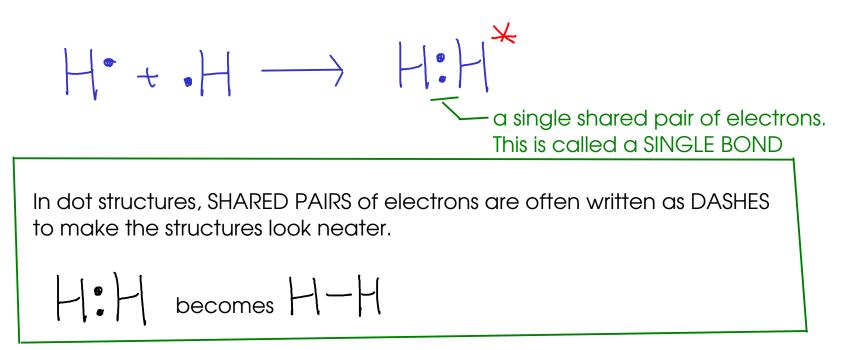
#### MOLECULAR COMPOUNDS

- 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:







★ 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 ...



OK

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

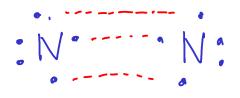
The oxygen atoms share TWO pairs of electrons. This is called a DOUBLE BOND

Each oxygen atom has a share in eight electrons!

A few notes on the double bond:

 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!

 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  $N_{\rm 2}$ 



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

Nitrogen gas is fairly inert ... it's hard to break the triple bond in nitrogen gas apart!

A few notes on the triple bond:



- 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.

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- 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.