

CHEMICAL BONDS

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

3 TYPES OF CHEMICAL BOND

Type	Held together by...	Example
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.

... 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
 - Nonmetal-nonmetal bonds are usually covalent
- Metalloids act like NONMETALS, here.

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

ELECTRONEGATIVITY:

-A measure of how closely to itself an atom will hold shared electrons

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... 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	NaCl, 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

- You may look up electronegativity data in tables, but it helps to know trends!

INCREASING ELECTRO-NEGATIVITY

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

Notes:

- ① - FLUORINE is the most electronegative element, while FRANCIUM is the least!
- ② - All the METALS have low electronegativity
- ③ - HYDROGEN is similar in electronegativity to CARBON

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... so C-H bonds are NONPOLAR

DESCRIBING CHEMICAL BONDING

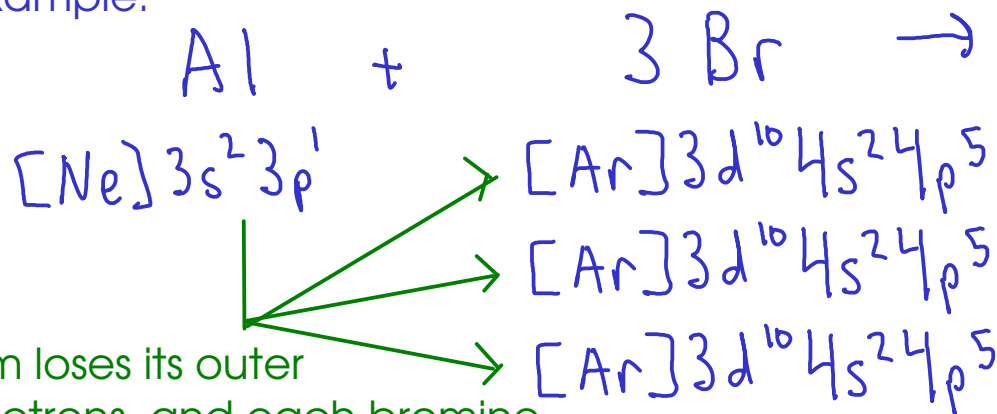
"octet rule"

- 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. $2+6 = 8$

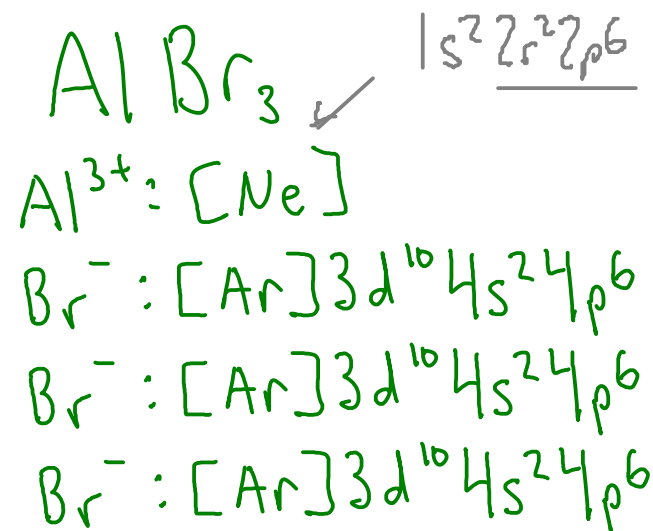
IONIC COMPOUNDS

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

example:



Aluminum loses its outer three electrons, and each bromine gains one!

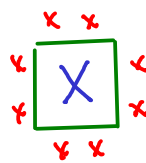


... but using electron configurations to describe how aluminum bromide forms is a bit cumbersome! Can we simplify the picture a bit?

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.

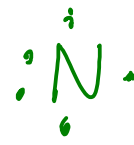
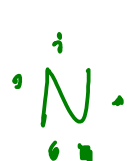
examples:



More 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!

The number of valence electrons equals the group number in the A/B group numbering system FOR "A" GROUPS!

	IA																	VIIIA
1	H	IIA										IIIA	IVA	VA	VIA	VIIA	He	
2	Li	Be										B	C	N	O	F	Ne	
3	Na	Mg	IIIB	IVB	VB	VIB	VII	VIII	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
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2 valence electrons

1 valence electron

3 valence electrons

4 valence electrons

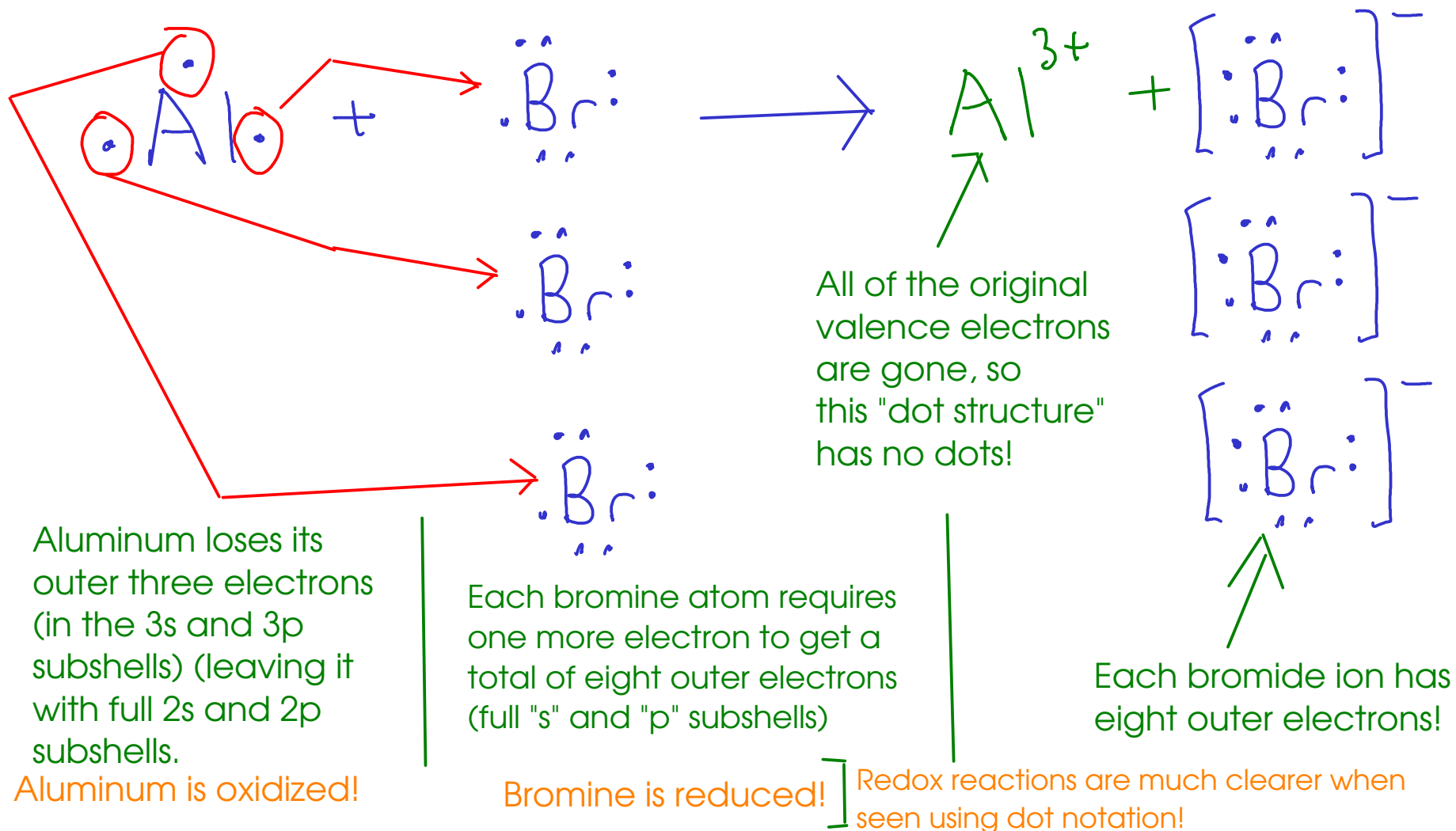
5 valence electrons

6 valence electrons

7 valence electrons

8 valence electrons (except helium!)

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



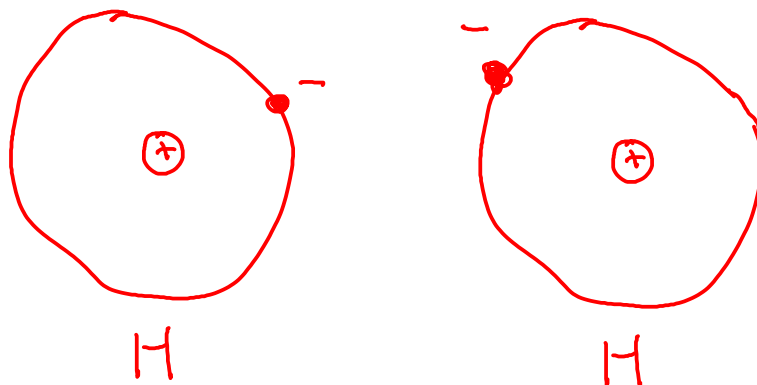
... this is a bit easier to follow than looking at all those letters and numbers in the electron configurations for these elements!

MOLECULAR COMPOUNDS

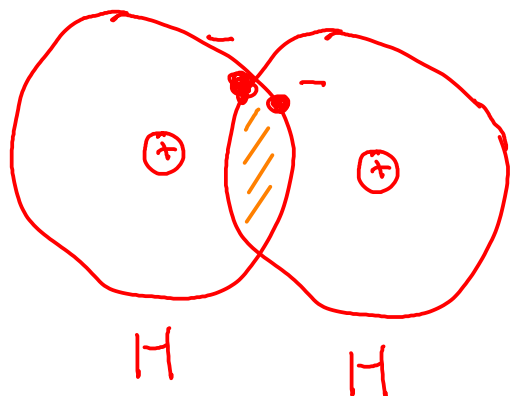
- Form when atoms SHARE electrons instead of transferring them. This results in the formation of MOLECULES ... groups of atoms held together by electron-sharing.

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

This idea is called
VALENCE
BOND
THEORY!



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

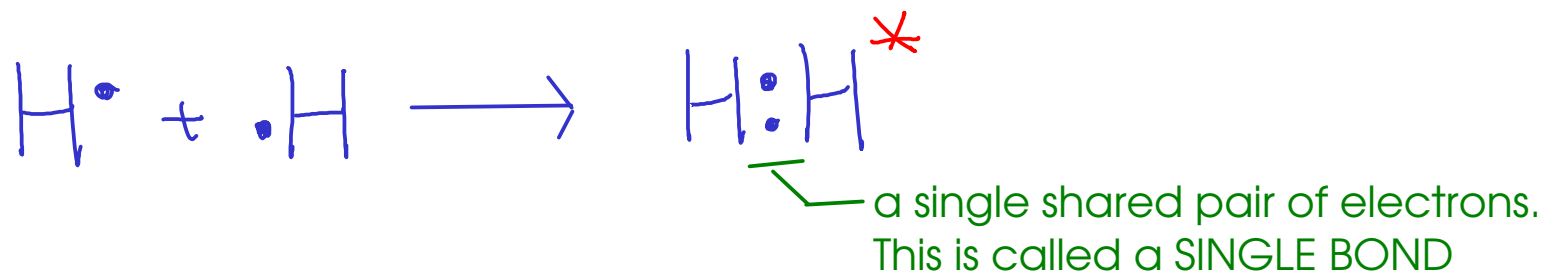


When hydrogen atoms come close enough to each other for these orbitals to OVERLAP, each hydrogen "sees" BOTH electrons, filling up the "s" orbitals of both atoms. This is a COVALENT BOND.

Co: together
Valent: valence shells

This is the DIATOMIC MOLECULE, H_2

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

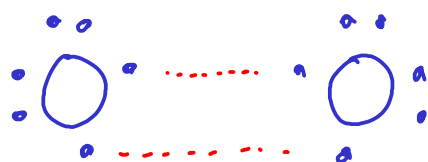


In dot structures, SHARED PAIRS of electrons are often written as DASHES to make the structures look neater.



* 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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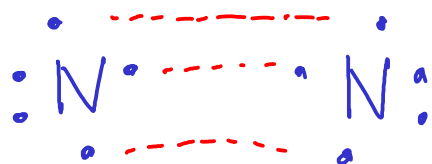


Each oxygen atom has a share in eight electrons!

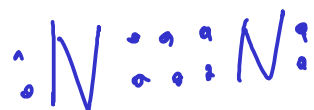
A few notes on the double bond:

- 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



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

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.

SO FAR, we've seen that ...

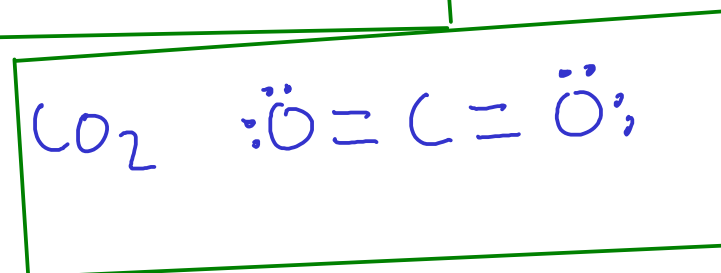
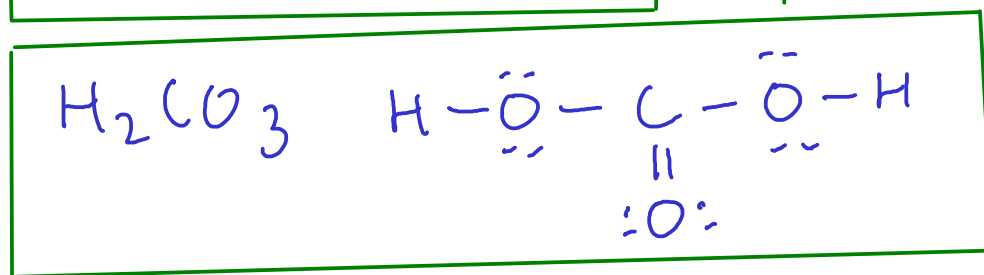
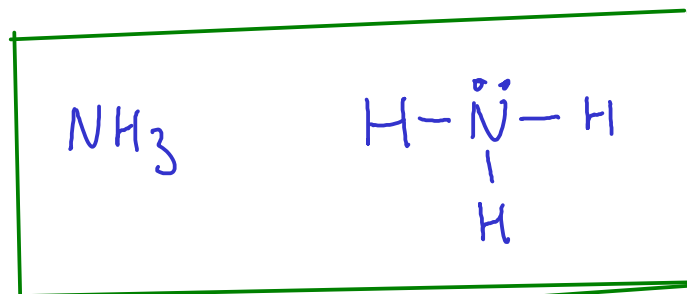
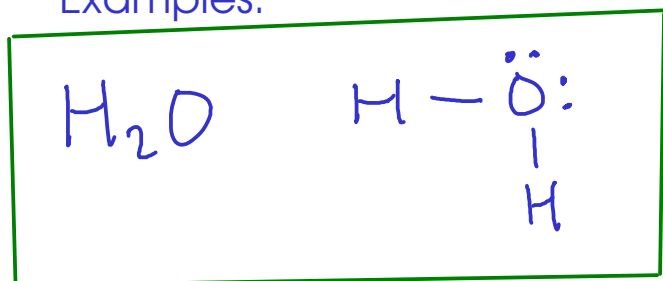
- ① Atoms may share one, two, or three pairs of electrons with each other.
- ② Atoms will usually share enough electrons so that each atom ends up with a share in EIGHT electrons - the "octet rule"

- HYDROGEN will only end up with two electrons!

- Some other atoms may end up with more or less than eight electrons. Exceptions to the octet rule are covered in Chapter 9.

NOW, how could we come up with dot structures for some more complicated (and therefore, more interesting) molecules?

Examples:



DRAWING DOT STRUCTURES FOR SIMPLE MOLECULES

① Count valence electrons

② Pick central atom and draw skeletal structure

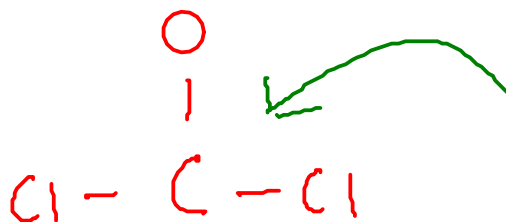
- central atom is usually the one that needs to gain the most electrons!
- skeletal structure has all atoms connected to center with single bonds

③ Distribute remaining valence electrons around structure, outer atoms first. Follow octet rule until you run out of electrons.

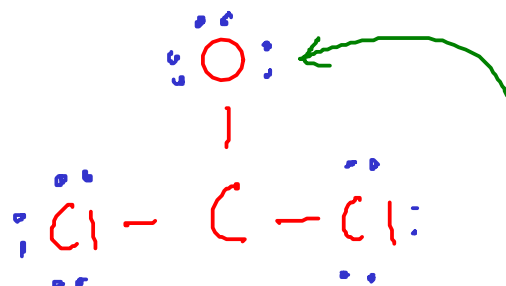
④ Check octet rule - each atom should have a share in 8 electrons (H gets 2). if not, make double or triple bonds.



24 electrons

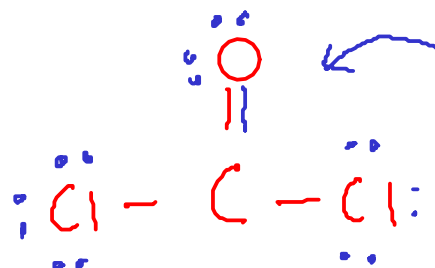


Choose carbon as the central atom since it needs the most electrons (4 more)...



Stop here because I've used 24 electrons...

Carbon doesn't have enough electrons (only 6), so to get carbon more, we'll make a double bond with one of the other atoms. Which atom gives up one of it's "lone pairs"? Choose OXYGEN, since it needed to gain two electrons anyway, and we typically gain electrons by sharing.

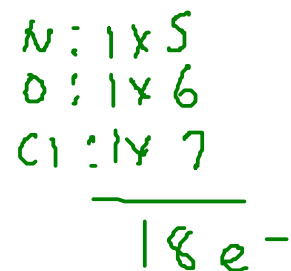


Adding a double bond between oxygen and carbon "fixes" this structure!

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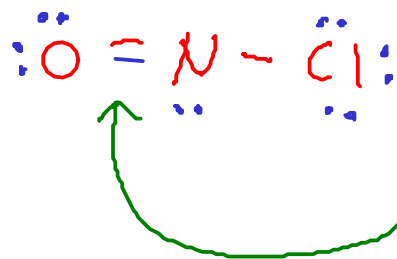


Choose N as central atom (needs more electrons than O or Cl)



After running out of space on the outside, put the last electrons on the central atom.

Even with the lone pair, nitrogen still has only six valence electrons.



Take a lone pair from OXYGEN (same reasoning as the last example) and make a double bond...

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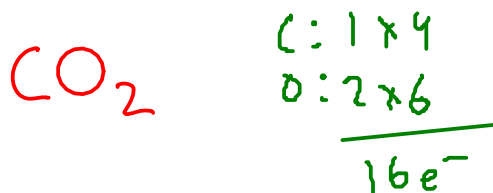
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$\text{O}-\text{C}-\text{O}$ Choose carbon as central atom

$\text{:}\ddot{\text{O}}-\text{C}-\ddot{\text{O}}\text{:}$ All 16 electrons used...

$\text{:}\ddot{\text{O}}=\text{C}-\ddot{\text{O}}\text{:}$ With one double bond, carbon has six valence electrons...

$\text{:}\ddot{\text{O}}=\text{C}=\ddot{\text{O}}\text{:}$ With a second double bond, carbon gets eight

$\text{:}\text{O}\equiv\text{C}-\ddot{\text{O}}\text{:}$ This version obeys the octet rule and uses the right number of electrons, but looks wrong since the oxygen atoms have no reason to bond to carbon differently (they are chemically identical!)

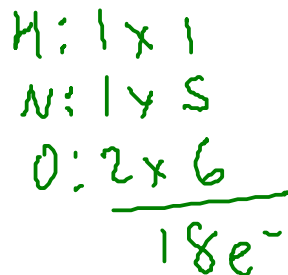
Experimentally, we find that there is only one bond distance via x-ray diffraction, so the triple-bond structure is definitely incorrect.

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"nitrous acid"

In oxyacids, the acidic hydrogen atoms are attached to OXYGEN atoms in the structure!



Oxyacid, so the H must be attached to an oxygen atom ... creating TWO "central" atoms!



All 18 used.

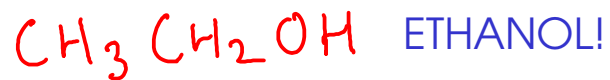


Choose to make the double bond with the LEFT oxygen atom, as it was only sharing a single pair.

Unlike carbon dioxide, these two oxygen atoms are in different environments and should bond differently.

A DOT STRUCTURE FOR A LARGER MOLECULE

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$$\begin{array}{l|l} \text{C} : 4 \times 2 = 8 & \\ \text{H} : 1 \times 6 = 6 & 20 \\ \text{O} : 6 \times 1 = 6 & \end{array}$$

This formula gives us a hint to the structure of ethanol. Ethanol has THREE central atoms chained together.

