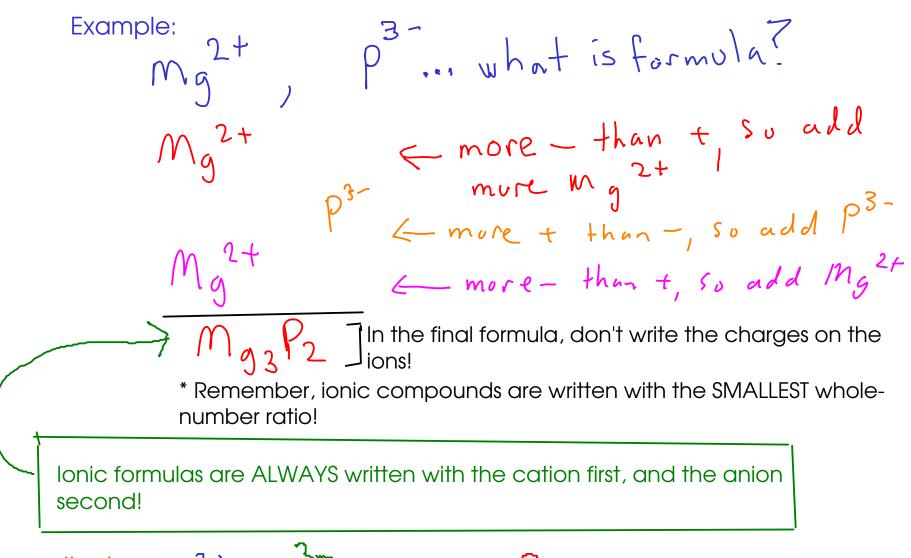
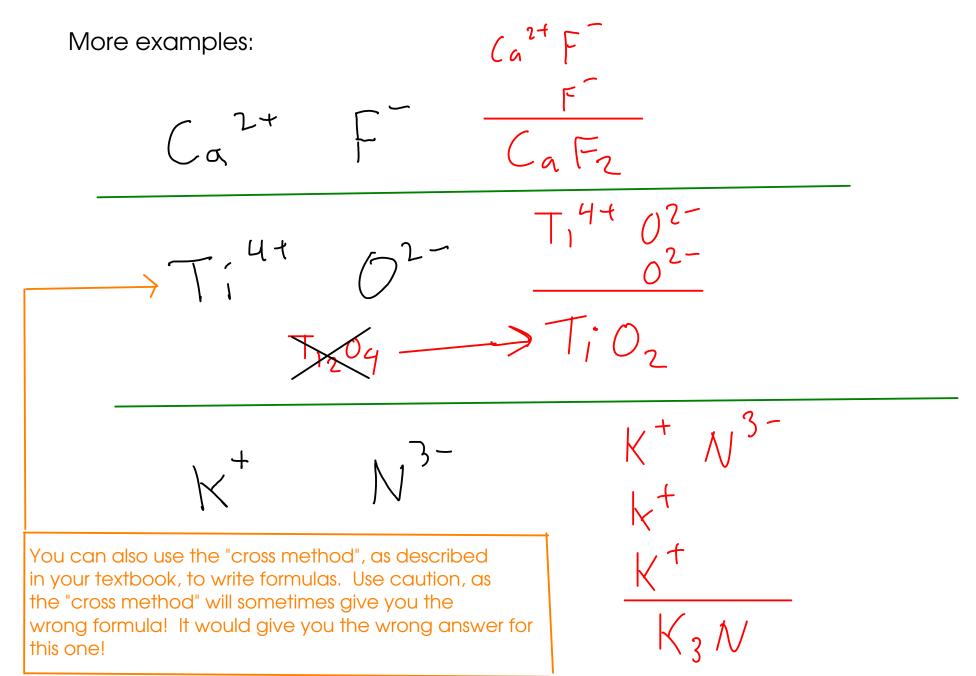
WRITING AN IONIC FORMULA

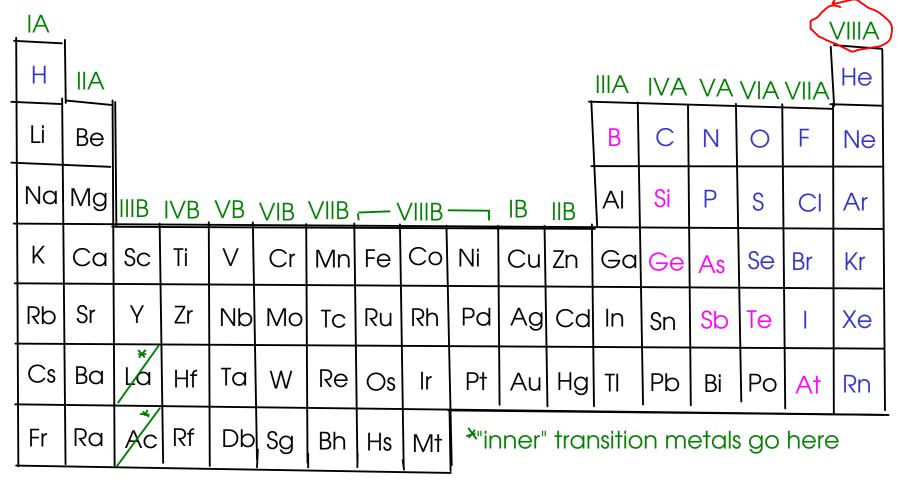
- if you know the ions that make up a compound, all you need to do is find the smallest ratio of cation to anion the compound needs to have an overall charge of zero



Cross method: $Mg^{2+} P^{3-} \rightarrow Mgg$

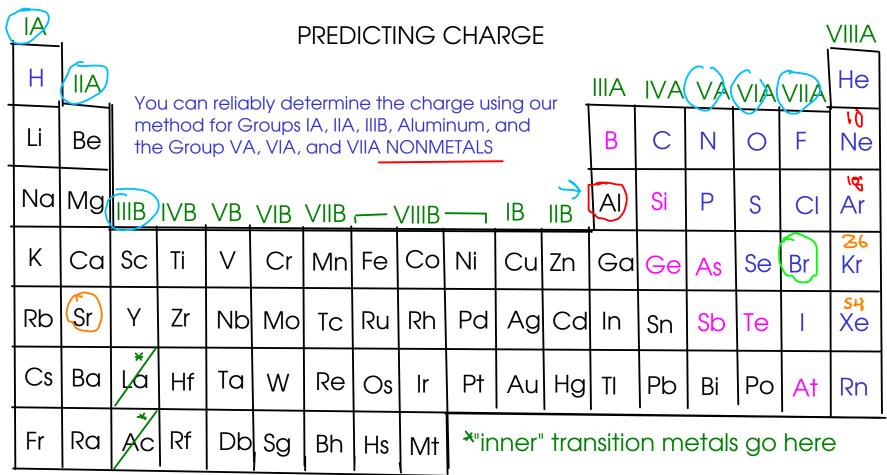


- how do you figure out the charge that an element might take when it becomes an ion?
- for many main group elements, you can predict the charge using the periodic table!



Elements in group VIIIA - the "noble gases" - do not form ions!

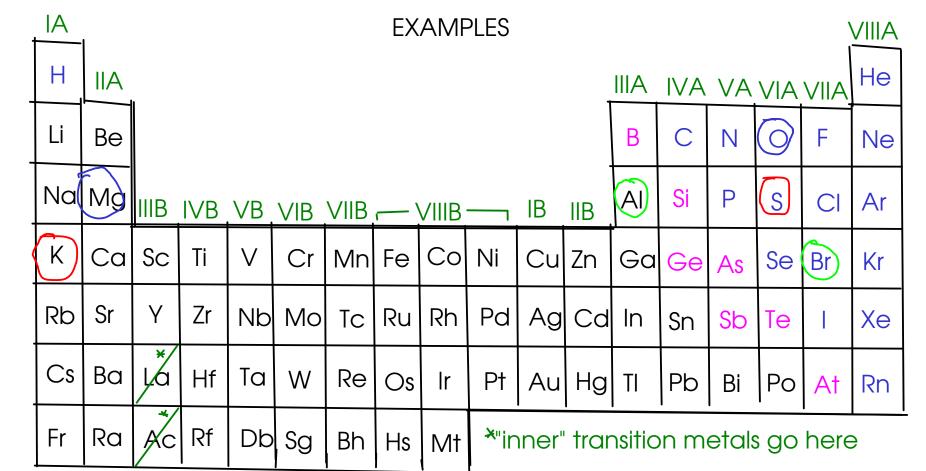
Many OTHER main-group elements form either anions or cations that have the same overall number of electrons as the NEAREST (in terms of atomic number) noble gas!



Aluminum (Al): At atomic number 13, it is three electrons away from neon (Ne), and 5 electrons away from argon (Ar). Prediction: Aluminum will lose three electrons to form the cation Al³⁺

Bromine (Br): At atomic number 35, bromine is one electron away from krypton (Kr). Prediction: Bromine will gain one electron to form the anion Br

Strontium (Sr): At atomic number 38, strontium is two electrons away from krypton. Prediction: Strontium will lose two electrons to form the cation Sr



Find the formulas of:

- (1) an ionic compound containing AI and Br
- (2) an ionic compound containing Mg and O
- (3) an ionic compound containing S and K

Find the formula of:

* an ionic compound containing AI and Br

A/3+ Br-

A13+ Br Br Br Br Br

Find the formula of:

* an ionic compound containing Mg and O

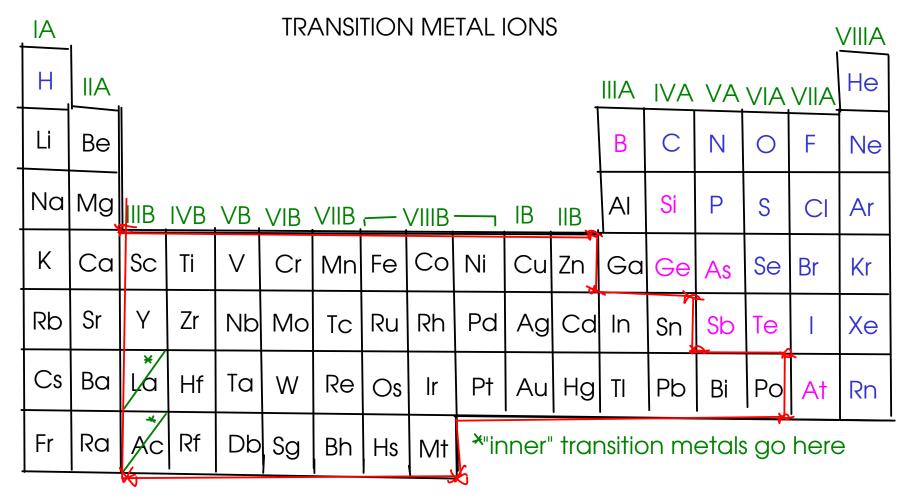
 $Mg^{2t} O^{2-} \longrightarrow MgO$

Find the formula of:

* an ionic compound containing S and K

Reminder: When writing a complete ionic formula, put the cation (+ charge) first! -----





The transition metals always form CATIONS!

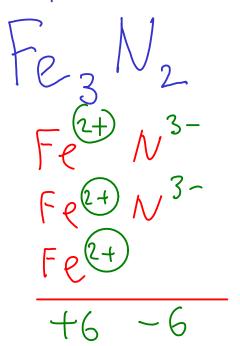
However, many transition metals are capable of forming SEVERAL DIFFERENT CATIONS!

Example: Iron (Fe) forms two cations, depending on the situation: Fe or Fe

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- So how do you know which cation you're dealing with? For now, you'll have to be told
- Either the chemical formula of an ionic compound or the name of an ionic compound can tell you what charge is on the transition metal cation.

Examples:

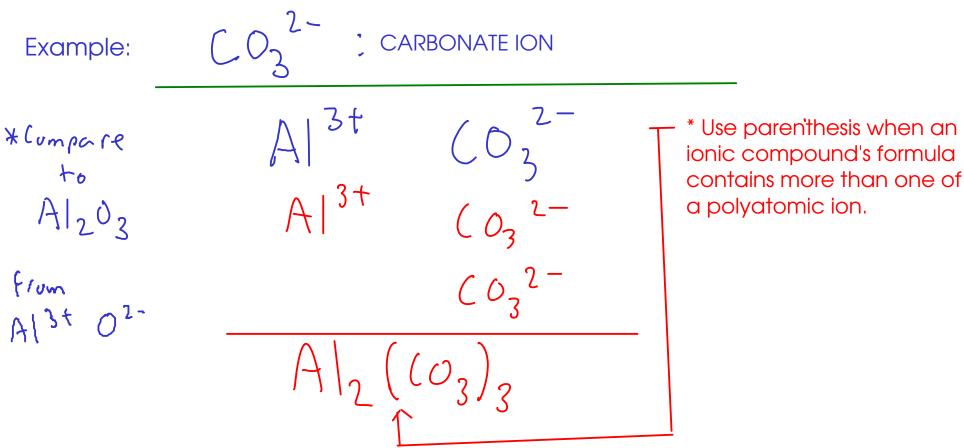


This compound contains iron ions with a charge of +3. They are called "iron(III)" ions (pronounced "iron three"), and the compound is called "iron(III) nitride"

This compound contains iron ions with a charge of +2. They are called "iron(II)" ions (pronounced "iron two"), and the compound is called "iron(II) nitride"

POLYATOMIC IONS

- Some MOLECULES can gain or lose electrons to form CATIONS or ANIONS. These are called POLYATOMIC IONS
- Polyatomic ions form ionic compounds in the same way that single-element ions do.



See the web site or page 63 - table 2.5 (9th ed) or table 2.6 (10th ed) - for a list of common polyatomic ions!

NAMES OF IONS

To properly discuss ions and ionic compounds, we have to know how to name them!
CATIONS

3 kinds:



Main group cations (metals that take only one charge when forming ions)

- The element's name is the same as the ion's name!



Transition metal cations (from metals that can form several cations)

- The CHARGE of the cation must be given. Use a ROMAN NUMERAL after the element name to indicate charge!

Fe: "iron(II) ion"



3† Fe : "Iron(III) ion"



Polyatomic cations

- Memorize list.

NH 4: "ammonium ion"

ANIONS

2 kinds



Main-group nonmetals

- Use the STEM NAME of the element, then add "-ide" suffix

N³: "nitride" ion P³: "phosphide ion" S²: Sulfide Iun

O²⁻: "oxide ion" F : "fluoride ion"



Polyatomic ions

- Memorize list.(see web site)

 $C_2H_3O_2$: "acetate ion" SO_4 : "sulfate ion"

 NO_3 : "nitrate ion" SO_3^2 "sulfite ion"

NO₂: "nitrite ion"

* Polyatomic ions ending in "-ate" and "-ite" suffixes always contain oxygen! "-ate" ions have more oxygen atoms than their "-ite" counterparts.

- The name of the compound is based on the name of the ions in the compound

- Cation first, anion second

Examples:

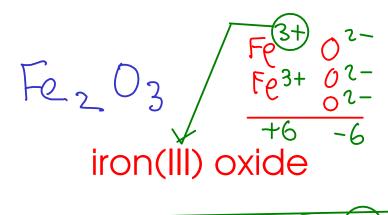
My (OH)2 magnesium hydroxide

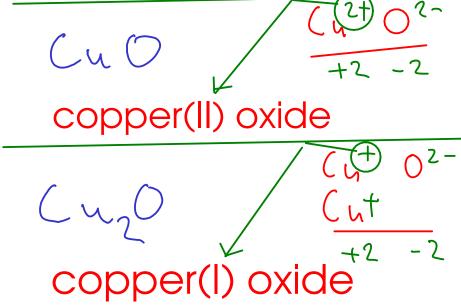
NazS

sodium sulfide

BeBrz

beryllium bromide





* Remember to include the Roman numeral for CHARGE when you're writing transition metal compound names!

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