## 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)!
$n s^{2} \mid$ valence electrons for Group IIA!
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
$n s^{2} n p^{3} \mid$ valence electrons for Group VA!
- Half-full "p" subshell! To add an electron, must start pairing!
- Group VIIIA (noble gases) does not form anions
$\underbrace{n s^{2} n p^{6}}_{\text {full "s" and "p" subshells! }}$


## CHEMICAL BONDS

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

TWO TYPES OF CHEMICAL BOND

| Type | Held together by..n | Example |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| lonic bonds | attractive forces between oppositely <br> charged ions | sodium chloride |
| $\underline{\text { Covalent bonds }}$ | sharing of valence electrons between two <br> atoms (sometimes more - "delocalized <br> bonds") | water |

Some compounds are held together by one type of bond, others (such as ionic compounds containing polyatomic ions) are held together by
both!
... 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.

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ELECTRONEGATIVITY:
-A number describing how tightly an atom will
hold bonded electrons.
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Chart of
electronegativities
... in other words, how ELECTRON-GREEDY an atom is!

| Bunds with.w | are... | Examples |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Little or no difference in <br> electronegativity between <br> atoms | NONPOLAR COVALENT | C-C, C-H, etc. |
| Larger differences in <br> electronegativity between <br> atoms | POLAR COVALENT | $\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{F}, \mathrm{C}-\mathrm{F}, \mathrm{C}-\mathrm{Cl}$, etc. |
| Very large differences in <br> electronegativity between <br> atoms | IONIC | $\mathrm{NaCl}, \mathrm{KBr}$, 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 elecronegativity data in tables, but it helps to know trends!

(1) - FLUORINE is the most elecronegative element, while FRANCIUM is the least!
(2) - All the METALS have low electronegativity
(3) - HYDROGEN is similar in electronegativity to CARBON
- 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:
- Al
- Rr.

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\frac{x+x}{x+x} x
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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"


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.


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"octet rule"
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- 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.

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- Why "octet"? An "s" subshell can hold two electrons, while a
"p" subshell can hold six. 2+6 = 8
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## 10 NIC COMPOUNDS

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


outer three electrons (in the Ss and 3p subshells) (leaving it with full $2 s$ and $2 p$ subshells.

Each bromine atom requires one more electron to get a total of eight outer electrons (full "s" and "p" subshells)


Each bromide ion has eight outer electrons!

Aluminum is oxidized! Bromine is reduced! I Redox reactions are much clearer when

## 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:

. 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 ...

$\because \because \because \quad \begin{aligned} & \text { The oxygen atoms share TWO pairs of electrons. This } \\ & \therefore \because O\end{aligned}$
OR
$\because O=0^{\circ n}$ : 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 LENGTH is measurable!
- It takes more energy to break a double bond between two atoms than it
(2) would to break a single bond between the same two atoms. This BOND STRENGTH is also measurable!
- N.................... We know that nitrogen exists in air as the diatomic

$\because N: N: \begin{aligned} & \text { The nitrogen atoms share THREE pairs of electrons. This } \\ & \text { is called a TRIPLE BOND }\end{aligned}$ OR
: VEN:

> 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

(1)closer to one another than they would if they were sharing one or two pairs of electrons. Triple bonds have the shortest BOND LENGTH 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 STRENGTH of all three kinds of covalent bonds.
(1) Atoms may share one, two, or three pairs of electrons with a single other atom.
(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.

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

Examples:


