

Remember - valence electrons are ALL of the electrons in the outermost SHELL (n)! More that one subshell (l) may be included in the valence electrons

TITANIUM is a transition metal that commonly forms either +2 or +4 cations. The 4s electrons are lost when the +2 ion forms, while the 4s AND 3d electrons are lost to form the +4!

You can order the subshells in numeric order OR in filling order

or [Ar] 3d24s2 or [Ar]4s23d2

Se 
$$1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 3a^{10} 4s^2 4p^4$$

Of  $[Ac] 3a^{10} 4s^2 4p^4$ 

Noble gas core notation.

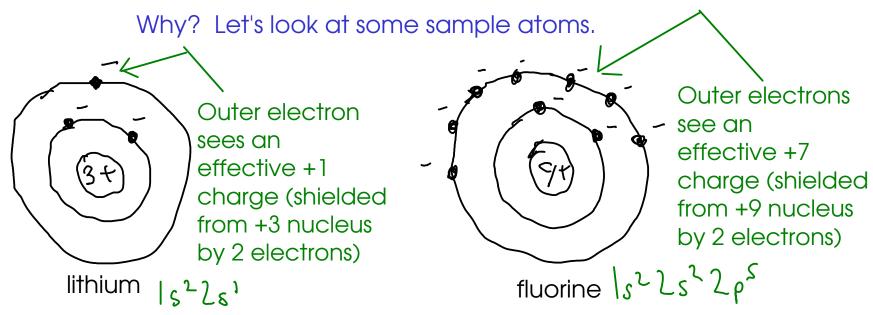
Noble gas core notation. Use the previous noble gas on the table, then add the electrons that it doesn't have to the end.

Sample f-block element

# PERIODIC TRENDS

#### **ATOMIC RADIUS**

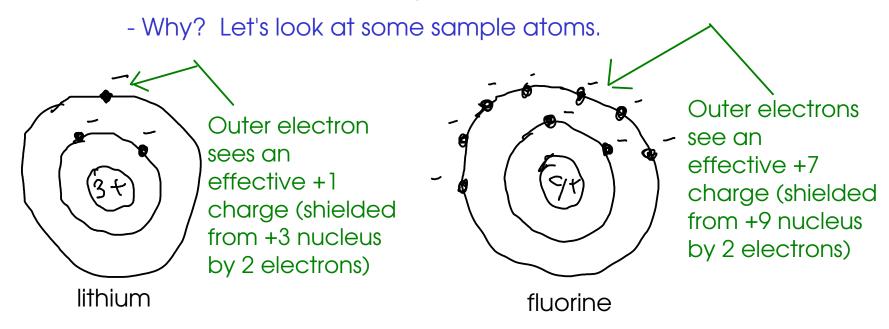
- The distance between the nucleus of the atoms and the outermost shell of the electron cloud.
- Relates to the size of the atom.
- As you go DOWN A GROUP (  $\sqrt{\ }$  ), the atomic radius INCREASES.
  - Why? As you go down a group, you are ADDING SHELLS!
- As you go ACROSS A PERIOD ( $\longrightarrow$ ), the atomic radius DECREASES



... so fluorine's outer shell is pulled closer to the nucleus than lithium's!

## (FIRST) IONIZATION ENERGY

- The amount of energy required to remove a single electron from the outer shell of an atom.
- Relates to reactivity for metals. The easier it is to remove an electron, the more reactive the metal.
- As you go DOWN A GROUP (  $\downarrow$  ), the ionization energy DECREASES.
  - Why? As you go down a group, you are ADDING SHELLS. Since the outer electrons are farther from the nucleus and charge attraction lessens with distance, this makes electrons easier to remove as the atoms get bigger!
- As you go ACROSS A PERIOD ( ——), the ionization energy INCREASES.

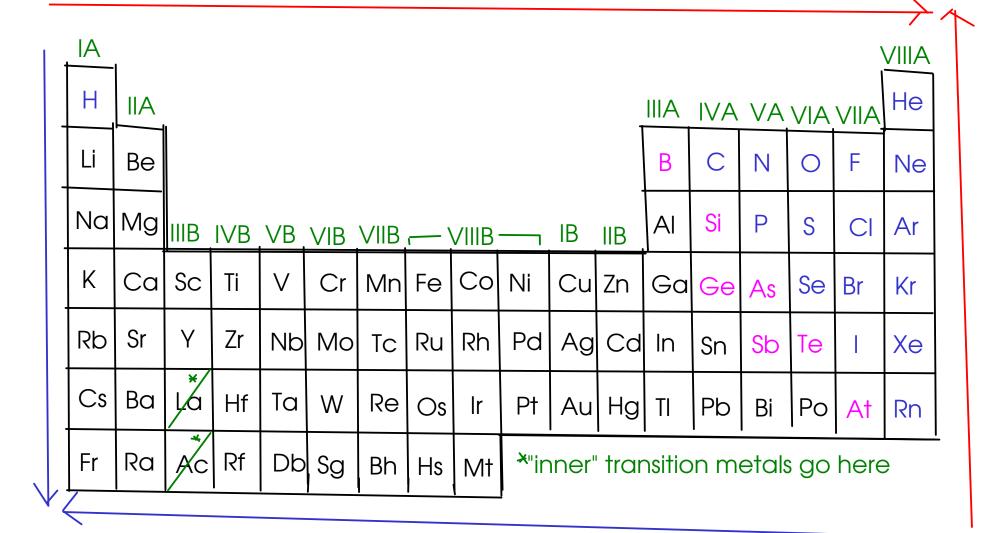


... since fluorine's outer electrons are held on by a larger effective charge, they are more difficult to remove than lithium's.

## THE FIRST TWO PERIODIC TRENDS IN A NUTSHELL

LARGER IONIZATION ENERGY

SMALLER RADIUS



LARGER SMALLER
RADIUS IONIZATION
ENERGY

### **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)!

- Group VA: can form anions, but has a more POSITIVE electron affinity than IVA

- Group VIIIA (noble gases) does not form anions