

# Chemical Bonding

## Unit 4

### Chemical Bonding

#### Bond Formation

All chemical bonds occur when the protons (+) of one atom attract the electrons (-) of another atom

Bond formation is *always* exothermic (energy is released)

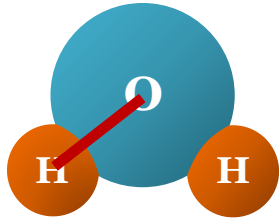
Bond breaking is *always* endothermic (energy is absorbed)

All chemical bonding is a form of potential energy (PE)

There are two main categories of chemical bonds:

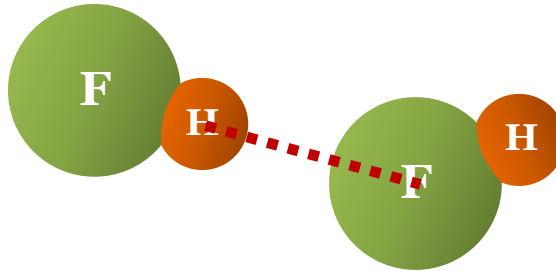
Regular Chemical Bonds

Intermolecular Forces (IMFs)



**(an O-H bond)**

bonded atoms are in contact with each other



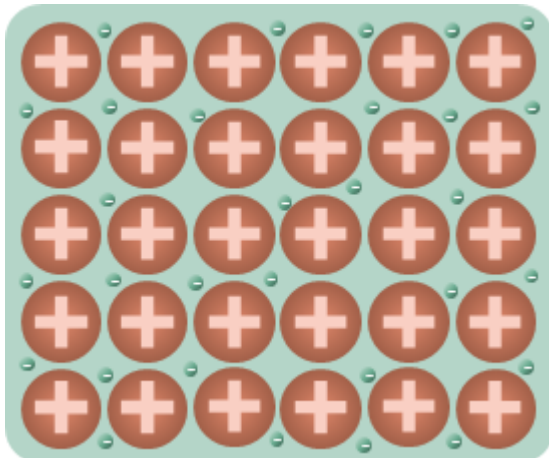
**(a hydrogen bond)**

an atom of one molecule bonds to an atom on a nearby molecule

Types of Chemical Bonds (from strongest to weakest)

Metallic Bonds: characterized by a sea of freely moving electrons

Valence electrons move off the kernel and move freely throughout the metal crystal in empty d sublevels



Compare: metallic bonds are like other chemical bonds because + nuclei attract  $e^-$  between

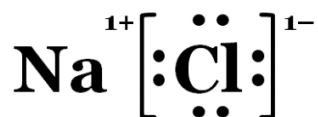
Contrast: because of the sea of free  $e^-$ , all the particles are cations which are very small making metallic bonds the shortest bonds (and therefore the strongest bonds)

**Example: the melting point of tungsten is 3422 °C**

Ionic Bonds: characterized by the transfer of electrons

Metals lose  $e^-$  and nonmetals gain  $e^-$

metal + nonmetal  $\rightarrow$  ionic compound



Compare: ionic bonds are like other chemical bonds because + nuclei attract  $e^-$  between

Contrast: the extra attraction of the + and - ions adds extra bond strength

**Example: the melting point of NaCl is 801 °C or 786 kJ/mol lattice energy**

Covalent Bonds: electrons are shared between atoms

Polar covalent bonds:  $e^-$  are shared *unevenly*

Nonpolar covalent bonds:  $e^-$  are shared *evenly*

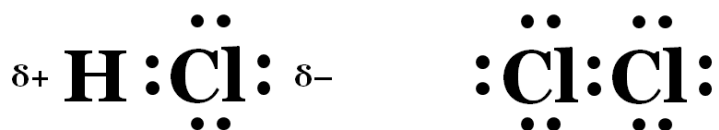
Coordinate covalent bonds: one atom donates *both* the shared  $e^-$

Nonmetals can share  $e^-$

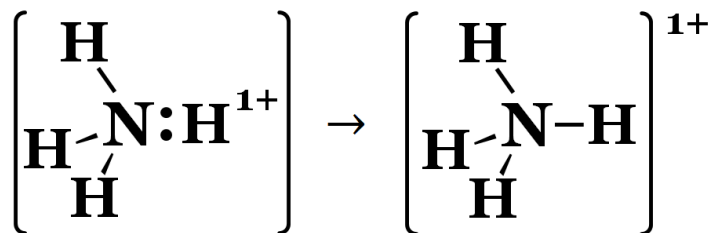
nonmetal + nonmetal  $\rightarrow$  covalent or molecular compound

polar covalent

nonpolar covalent



coordinate covalent



the  $e^-$  pair from the N atom  
forms a bond to the  $\text{H}^+$  ion

once the bond has formed  
all the N-H bonds are equal

Compare: covalent bonds are like other chemical bonds because + nuclei attract  $e^-$  between

Contrast: covalent bonds have no added bond strength

**Examples: the polar HCl is 432 kJ/mol**

**the nonpolar  $\text{Cl}_2$  is 243 kJ/mol**

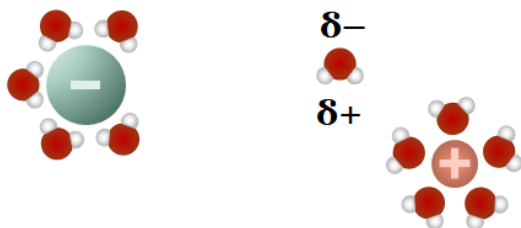
Molecules: a group of atoms held together by covalent bonds

- the bonds can be polar covalent, nonpolar covalent, or a mix of each
- molecules are neutral particles
- molecules can be polar or nonpolar
  - do not confuse polar molecules with polar bonds
    - $\text{CO}_2$  has polar bonds but is a nonpolar molecule
    - $\text{PH}_3$  has nonpolar bonds but is a polar molecule
  - polar molecules have a  $\delta^+$  charge on one side and a  $\delta^-$  charge on the other side

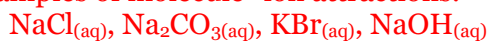


Molecule-ion attractions

- occur with ions in polar solvents
- bridge *polar molecules* and *ions*

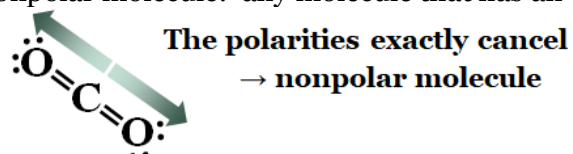


Examples of molecule-ion attractions:

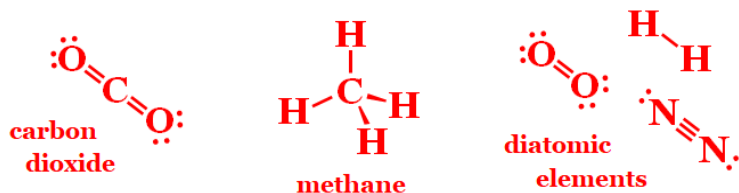


van der Waal's forces (a.k.a. London dispersion forces or dispersion forces)

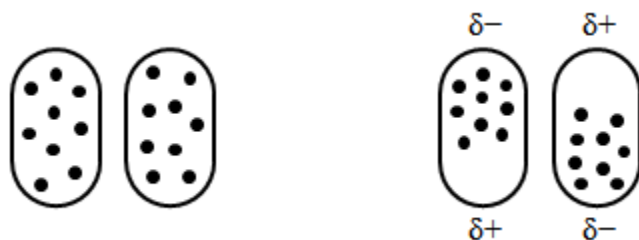
- require that *both* molecules be nonpolar
- Nonpolar molecule: any molecule that has an even charge distribution



Examples of polar molecules:



- bridge *two* molecules
- occur because of concerted motion of  $e^-$  in polarizable atoms or molecules



random dispersion results in neutral charge dispersion

electron motion causes asymmetric charge distribution and momentary charges attract

## Identifying Bond Type

**Metallic Bonds:** occur whenever all the atoms are metals

**Examples:** iron, Fe<sub>(s)</sub>; silver, Ag<sub>(s)</sub>; or brass, Cu<sub>3</sub>Zn<sub>2</sub>

**Ionic, Polar Covalent, and Nonpolar Covalent Bonds:** use  $\Delta EN$  to calculate bond type  
Electronegativity difference ( $\Delta EN$ ) and bond type table:

nonpolar	0.3	polar	1.7	ionic
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**Examples:**

**PH<sub>3</sub> molecule**

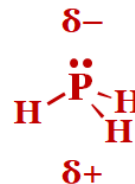
Determine the bond type:

Find the electronegativities on Table S:

P = 2.2

H = 2.2

$\Delta EN = 0.0$  which are nonpolar covalent bonds



Determine the molecule polarity:

Electrons spend more time between the H and P atoms, so the H end is  $\delta^+$

The electron pair above the P atom is  $\delta^-$

Even though the bonds are nonpolar, the molecule is polar

Notice that bonds are nonpolar due to  $\Delta EN$

but molecule is polar due to asymmetry (uneven e<sup>-</sup> distribution)

**CO<sub>2</sub> molecule**

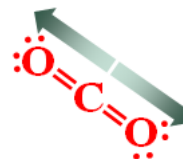
Determine the bond type:

Find the electronegativities on Table S:

C = 2.6

O = 3.4

$\Delta EN = 0.8$  which are polar covalent bonds



Determine the molecule polarity:

Electrons are evenly distributed (the molecule is symmetrical)

The electron pair above the P atom is  $\delta^-$

Even though the bonds are polar, the molecule is nonpolar

Notice that bonds are polar due to  $\Delta EN$

but molecule is polar due to symmetry (even e<sup>-</sup> distribution)

**HCl molecule**

Determine the bond type:

Find the electronegativities on Table S:

H = 2.2

Cl = 3.2

$\Delta EN = 1.0$  which are polar covalent bonds



Determine the molecule polarity:

Electrons are unevenly distributed (the molecule is asymmetrical)

The bonds are polar and the molecule is polar

Notice that bonds are polar due to  $\Delta EN$

and molecule is polar due to asymmetry (uneven e<sup>-</sup> distribution)

## NaCl

Determine the bond type:

Find the electronegativities on Table S:

Na = 0.9

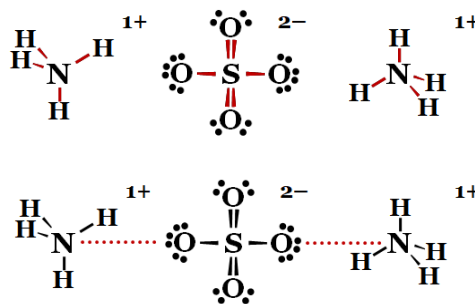
Cl = 3.2

$\Delta EN = 2.2$  which is an ionic bond

Polyatomic ions (e.g.  $(NH_4)_2SO_4$ )

Bonds inside the ions are covalent

Bonds between ions are ionic



Summary of identifying bond types:

Metals  $\rightarrow$  Metallic Bonds

Metals + Nonmetals  $\rightarrow$  Ionic Bonds ( $\Delta EN > 1.7$ )

Nonmetals + Nonmetals  $\rightarrow$  Covalent Bonds

( $1.7 \geq \Delta EN \geq 0.3$  is a polar covalent bond)

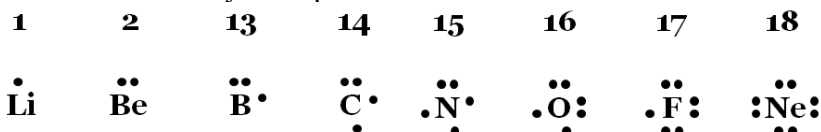
( $0.3 > \Delta EN$  is a nonpolar covalent bond)

Polyatomic Ions  $\rightarrow$  Ionic and Covalent Bonds

Lewis Electron Dot (LED) Diagrams and Bonding

Rules for elements: first two pair, Hund's Rule the remaining electrons

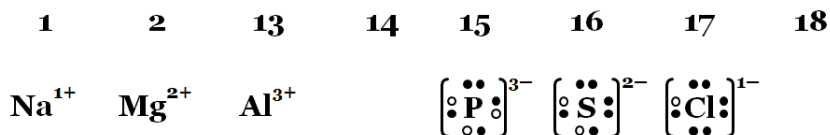
Period 2 elements by Group



Rules for ions:

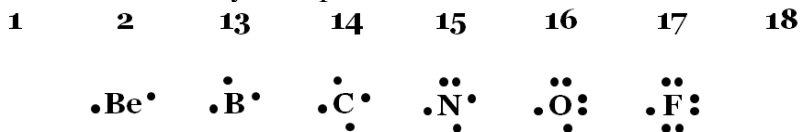
- metals lose valence  $e^-$  forming cations
- nonmetals gain  $e^-$  forming anions with a stable octet

Period 3 elements by Group



Rules for covalent bonds: Hund's Rule all the valence electrons

Period 2 elements by Group



### Constructing ionic compounds using LEDs:

1. Draw LED models of both ions
2. Start with the cation
3. Add an anion
4. Add ions to balance charge until a neutral species is formed

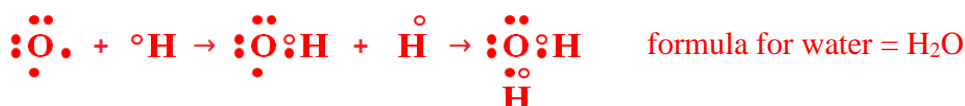
Example: magnesium and chlorine



### Constructing molecular compounds (covalently bonded) using LEDs:

1. Draw LED models of both elements
2. Overlap valence shells
3. Share until stable octets form (H, Be, B, and Al do *not* form octets)

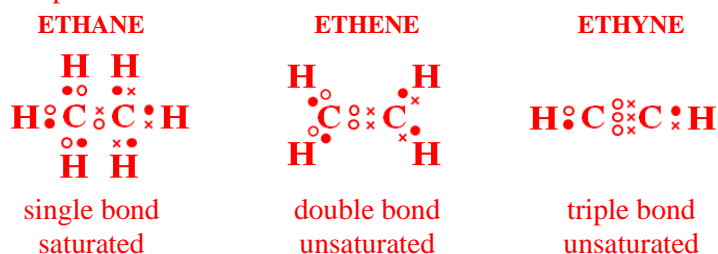
Example: hydrogen and oxygen



Example: oxygen molecule



Example: bond order and saturation in carbon – carbon bonds



### Four Solid Types, Bonding, and Properties

**Metallic solid:** characterized by a lattice of cations and freely moving electrons

Good conductors of heat and electricity in solid and liquid states (due to sea of e<sup>-</sup>)

Malleable and ductile (due to sea of e<sup>-</sup>)

Hard with high MP and BP (due to very short bonds when all particles are cations)

Not soluble in water

**Ionic solid:** characterized by a lattice of cations and anions (+ and – ions)

Poor conductors of heat and electricity as solids (due to ions being trapped in the lattice)

but good electrical conductors in the liquid state and solution (due movement of ions)

Brittle (due to like ions repelling during crystalline dislocation)

Hard with high MP and BP (due to strong ionic bonds)

Usually are soluble in water (due to strong molecule – ion interactions)

some ionic solids are not soluble in water (see Table F)

Network solid: characterized by a continuous web of covalent bonds

Generally poor conductors of heat and electricity in solid and liquid states (due strong lattice)

Brittle (due to opening up like a zipper along lattice bonds)

*Very* hard with high MP and BP (due to strong lattice of bonds, usually decompose with heat)

Generally insoluble in water

Molecular solid: characterized by discrete particles held together by IMFs

Poor conductors of heat and electricity in solid state (due to neutral nature of molecules)

Brittle (dipole – dipole molecules) to soft like wax (due to van der Waal's forces)

Soft with low MP and BP (most are liquids or gases at STP due to weak nature of IMFs)

Generally soluble in appropriate solvents (like dissolves like rule, polar with polar

and nonpolar with nonpolar)