

Chem Notes

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1 Solubility Rules for Ionic Compounds in Water

Ions	Comments
NH_4^+ , Na^+ , K^+ , Li^+	All common salts of these ions are soluble
NO_3^- , CH_3COO^-	All common salts of these ions are soluble
Cl^- , Br^- , I^-	All common salts of these ions are soluble, except those of Ag^+ , Pb^{2+} , Cu^+ , and Hg_2^+ .
SO_4^{2-}	Most are soluble except those containing Ca^{2+} , Sr^{2+} , Ba^{2+} , and Pb^{2+} ions
OH^-	All are insoluble, except those with NH_4^+ ion, Group 1A, and the larger members of Group 2A beginning with Ca^{2+}
CO_3^{2-} , PO_4^{3-} , $\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}$	All common salts are insoluble, except those of Group 1A and NH_4^+

2 Common ions and their respective charges

Ion Summary: When cations pair up with anions to form neutral ionic compounds, the word “ion” is dropped from both ion’s names

Main group metals and Nonmetals: predictable charges based upon their group/column.

Name	Cation	Name	Cation
Lithium ion	Li^{1+}	Beryllium ion	Be^{2+}
Sodium ion	Na^{1+}	Magnesium ion	Mg^{2+}
Potassium ion	K^{1+}	Calcium ion	Ca^{2+}
Rubidium ion	Rb^{1+}	Strontium ion	Sr^{2+}
Cesium ion	Cs^{1+}	Barium ion	Ba^{2+}
		Aluminum ion	Al^{3+}
Name	Anion	Name	Anion
Oxide ion	O^{2-}	Bromide ion	Br^{1-}
Sulfide ion	S^{2-}	Chloride ion	Cl^{1-}
		Fluoride ion	F^{1-}
Nitride ion	N^{3-}	Iodine ion	I^{1-}
Phosphide ion	P^{3-}		

Transition Metals (and other metals with d orbitals): The charge for many of these can vary. Therefore Roman Numerals are used in their written name to indicate the exact ion. If a transition metal is in the cmpd, then you need to look at the anion to determine the charge of the metal cation.

Name	Cation	Name	Cation
Cadmium ion	Cd^{2+}	Cobalt (II) ion	Co^{2+}
Zinc ion	Zn^{2+}	Cobalt (III) ion	Co^{3+}
Silver ion	Ag^{2+}	Iron (II) ion	Fe^{2+}
Gold ion	Au^{2+}	Iron (III) ion	Fe^{3+}
		Chromium (III) ion	Cr^{3+}
Name	Cation	Name	Cation
Copper (I) ion	Cu^{1+}	Tin (II) ion	Sn^{2+}
Copper (II) ion	Cu^{2+}	Tin (IV) ion	Sn^{4+}
Mercury (II) ion	Hg^{2+}	Lead (II) ion	Pb^{2+}
Manganese (II) ion	Mn^{2+}	Lead (IV) ion	Pb^{4+}
		Nickel (II) ion	Ni^{2+}

POLYATOMIC ions. These ions contain covalently bonded atoms with an overall charge. They remain together in a GROUP.

Name	Cation	Name	Anion
Ammonium ion	NH_4^{1+}	Nitrate ion	NO_3^{1-}
		Hydroxide ion	OH^{1-}
		Cyanide ion	CN^{1-}
Name	Anion	Name	Anion
Sulfate ion	SO_4^{2-}	Phosphate ion	PO_4^{3-}
Chromate ion	CrO_4^{2-}		
Carbonate ion	CO_3^{2-}	Acetate ion	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2^{1-}$

Strong Acids are Molecular Compounds (typically the formula starts with “H” followed by an anion).

- HCl = hydrochloric acid
- HBr = hydrobromic acid
- H_2SO_4 = sulfuric acid
- HNO_3 = nitric acid

More bonds require more energy to break. Shorter bonds require more energy to break (i.e. smaller atoms make stronger bonds).

3 Geometry

sp = linear, sp² = trigonal planar, sp³ = tetragonal