

# Atoms Lecture 5: The Periodic Table



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# Mendeleev's Periodic Law (1869)

When elements are arranged in the order of increasing atomic mass, certain properties occur periodically.

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1	H = 1							
2	Li = 7	Be = 9,4	B = 11	C = 12	N = 14	O = 16	F = 19	
3	Na = 23	Mg = 24	Al = 27,3	Si = 28	P = 31	S = 32	Cl = 35,5	
4	K = 39	Ca = 40	— = 44	Ti = 48	V = 51	Cr = 52	Mn = 55	Fe = 56, Co = 59, Ni = 59, Cu = 63.
5	(Cu = 63)	Zn = 65	— = 68	— = 72	As = 75	Se = 78	Br = 80	
6	Rb = 85	Sr = 87	?Yt = 88	Zr = 90	Nb = 94	Mo = 96	— = 100	Ru = 104, Rh = 104, Pd = 106, Ag = 108
7	(Ag = 108)	Cd = 112	In = 113	Sn = 118	Sb = 122	Te = 125	J = 127	
8	Cs = 133	Ba = 137	?Di = 138	?Ce = 140	—	—	—	— — — —
9	(—)	—	—	—	—	—	—	
10	—	—	?Er = 178	?La = 180	Ta = 182	W = 184	—	Os = 195, Ir = 197, Pt = 198, Au = 199
11	(Au = 199)	Hg = 200	Tl = 204	Pb = 207	Bi = 208			
12	—	—	—	Th = 231	—	U = 240		

In Mendeleev's table (1871), similar elements fall in vertical groups, and the properties of the elements (e.g., molar volume) change gradually from top to bottom in the group. He left blank spaces for undiscovered elements.

# Modern Periodic Table

Similar properties recur periodically when elements are arranged according to increasing atomic number.

	Period																		
1	1 1A																		
2	3 Li 6.94	4 Be 9.0122																	
3	11 Na 22.990	12 Mg 24.305	3 3B	4 4B	5 5B	6 6B	7 7B	8 8B		9	10	11 1B	12 2B	13 3A	14 4A	15 5A	16 6A	17 7A	18 2 He 4.0026
4	19 K 39.098	20 Ca 40.078	21 Sc 44.956	22 Ti 47.867	23 V 50.942	24 Cr 51.996	25 Mn 54.938	26 Fe 55.845	27 Co 58.933	28 Ni 58.693	29 Cu 63.546	30 Zn 65.38	31 Ga 69.723	32 Ge 72.630	33 As 74.922	34 Se 78.96	35 Br 79.904	36 Kr 83.798	
5	37 Rb 85.468	38 Sr 87.62	39 Y 88.906	40 Zr 91.224	41 Nb 92.906	42 Mo 95.96	43 Tc (98)	44 Ru 101.07	45 Rh 102.91	46 Pd 106.42	47 Ag 107.87	48 Cd 112.41	49 In 114.82	50 Sn 118.71	51 Sb 121.76	52 Te 127.60	53 I 126.90	54 Xe 131.29	
6	55 Cs 132.91	56 Ba 137.33	57-71 La-Lu 178.49	72 Hf 180.95	73 Ta 183.84	74 W 186.21	75 Re 190.23	76 Os 192.22	77 Ir 195.08	78 Pt 196.97	79 Au 200.59	80 Hg 204.38	81 Tl 207.2	82 Bi 208.98	83 Po (209)	84 At (210)	85 Rn (222)		
7	87 Fr (223)	88 Ra (226)	89-103 Ac-Lr (261)	104 Rf (262)	105 Db (262)	106 Sg (264)	107 Bh (277)	108 Hs (277)	109 Mt (268)	110 Ds (271)	111 Rg (272)	112 Cn  	114 Fl  	116 Lv  					
*Lanthanide series		57 La 138.91	58 Ce 140.12	59 Pr 140.91	60 Nd 144.24	61 Pm (145)	62 Sm 150.36	63 Eu 151.96	64 Gd 157.25	65 Tb 158.93	66 Dy 162.50	67 Ho 164.93	68 Er 167.26	69 Tm 168.93	70 Yb 173.05	71 Lu 174.97			
†Actinide series		89 Ac (227)	90 Th 232.04	91 Pa 231.04	92 U 238.03	93 Np (237)	94 Pu (244)	95 Am (243)	96 Cm (247)	97 Bk (247)	98 Cf (251)	99 Es (252)	100 Fm (257)	101 Md (258)	102 No (259)	103 Lr (262)			

The basis of the periodic table is the electron configurations of elements (provided by quantum mechanics).

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Periodic Table  
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Long format (32-column) of the periodic table. This is the standard form of the periodic split between the Groups 2 and 3 to allow the f-block elements to be inserted into the resulting space.

# Metals, Nonmetals, and Their Ions

Atoms of elements in the same group have similar electron configurations.

Noble Gases

	1	2	
H <sup>+</sup>			H
He	Li	Be	
Ne	Na	Mg	
Ar	K	Ca	
Kr	Rb	Sr	

Main-Group Metal Ions

	13	14	15	16	17	18	
B	C	N	O	F	Ne		He
Al	Si	P	S	Cl	Ar		
Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr		
In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe		

Main-Group Nonmetal Ions

	1	2		13	14	15	16	17	18	
H				Li	Be					He
Li				Na	Mg					
Na				Al	Si	P	S	Cl	Ar	
Al				Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr	
Ga				In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe	

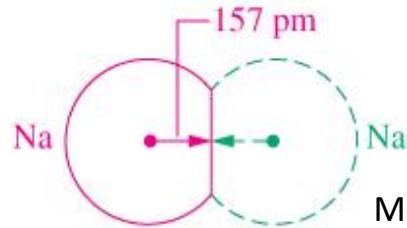
- Metals tend to lose electrons to attain noble gas electron configurations as cations.

- Nonmetals tend to gain electrons to attain noble-gas electron configurations as anions.

# Size of Atoms

Unfortunately, atomic radius is hard to define because an atom has no precise outer boundary.

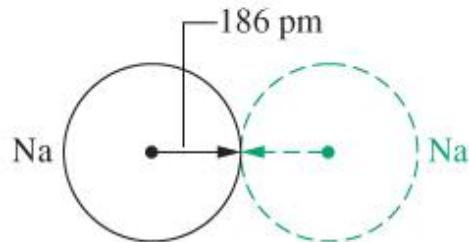
Covalent radius:



- **Covalent radius** is one half of the distance between the nuclei of two identical atoms joined by a single covalent bond.

Measured for an isolated  $\text{Na}_2$  cluster

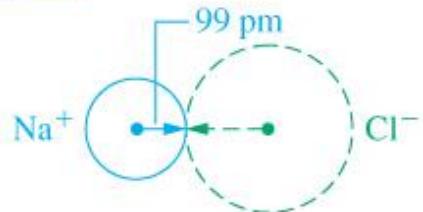
Metallic radius:



- **Metallic radius** is one-half the distance between the nuclei of two atoms in contact in the crystalline solid metal.
- **van der Waals radius** is similar to metallic radius except is for solid samples of noble gases.

Measured for a piece of solid Na metal

Ionic radius:



- **Ionic radius** is based on the distance between the nuclei of ions joined by an ionic bond.  
(properly apportioned by assigning  $r(\text{O}_2^{2-}) = 140 \text{ pm}$ )

Figure 1: Covalent, metallic, and ionic radius.

# Size of Atoms

Atomic radius decreases from left to right through a row and increases from top to bottom through a column.

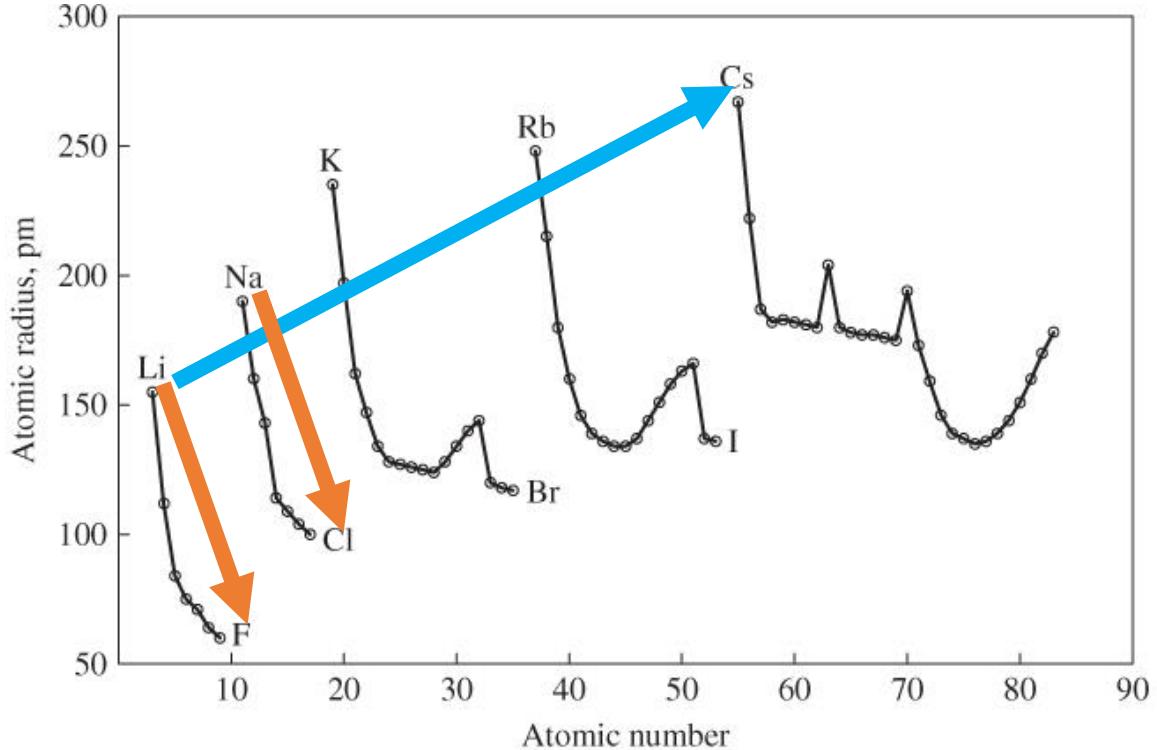
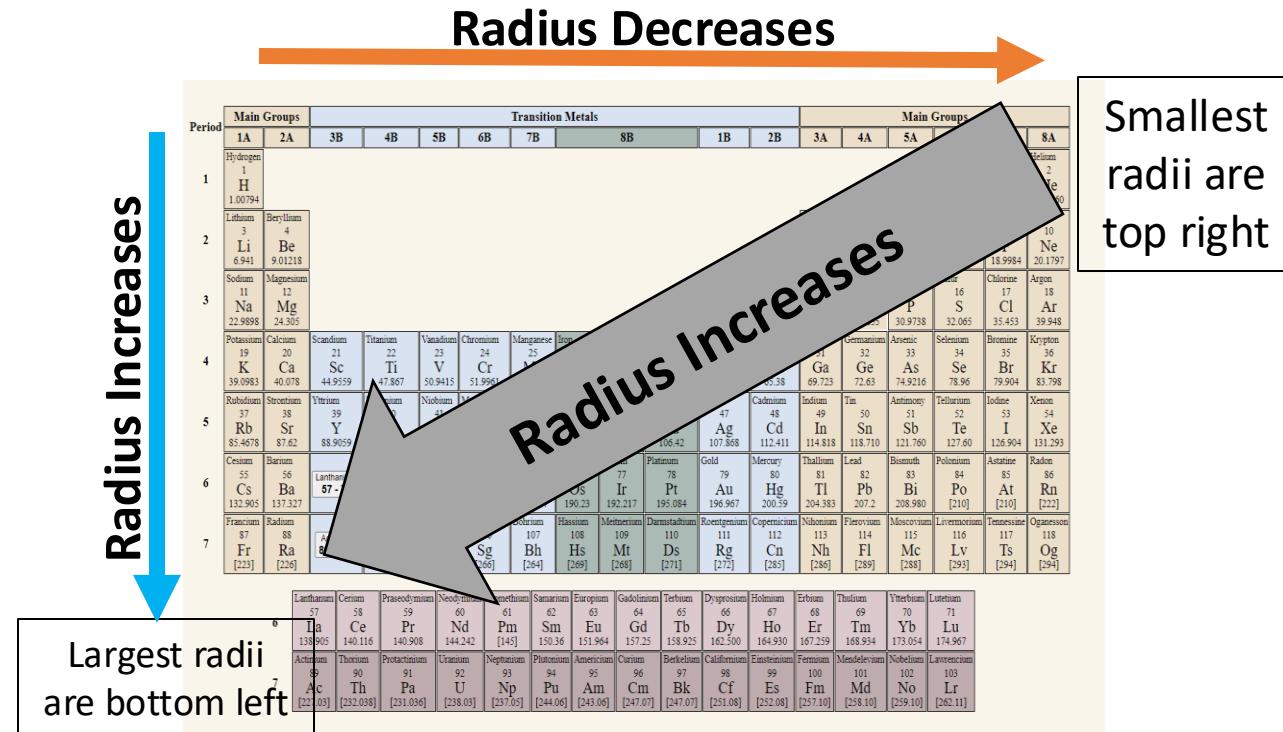


Figure 2: Metallic radii for metals and covalent radii for nonmetals.



# Effective Nuclear Charge

The core electrons of an atom shield or screen the valence electrons from experiencing the full nuclear charge.

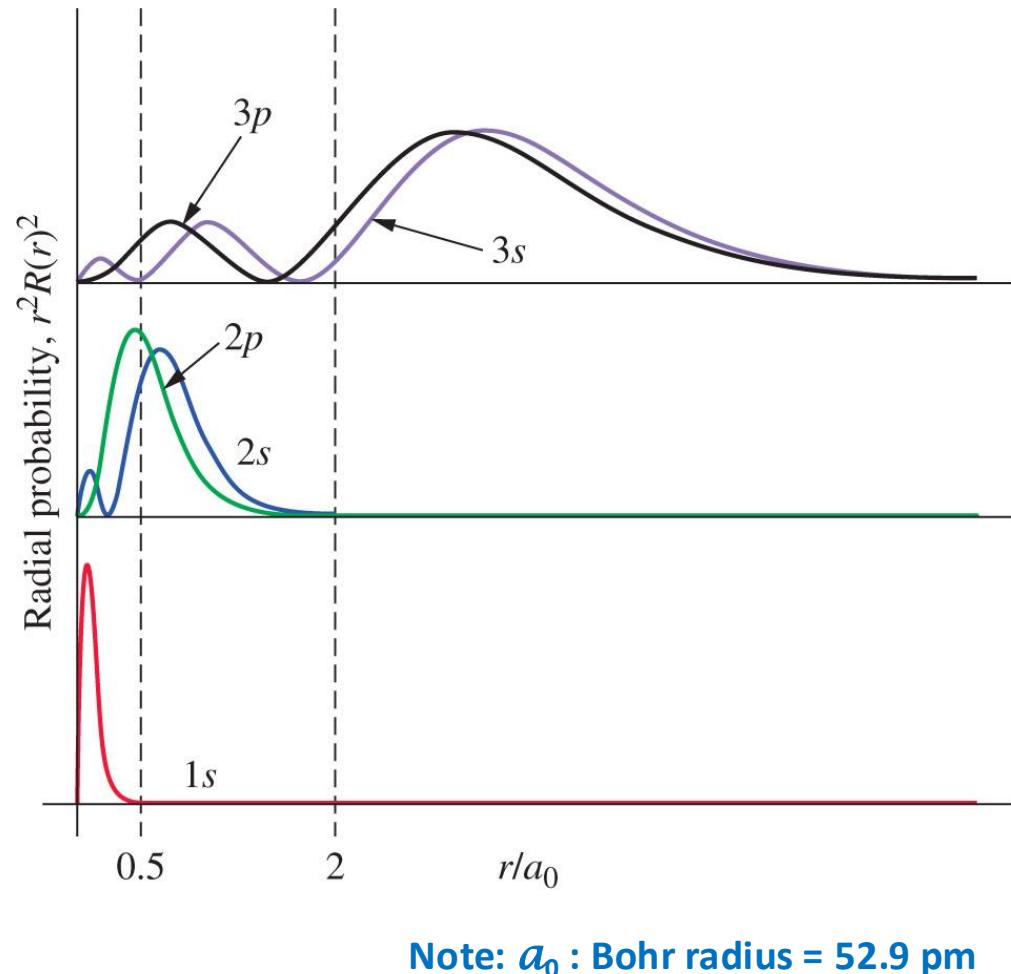


Figure 3: Radial distribution functions for aluminum.

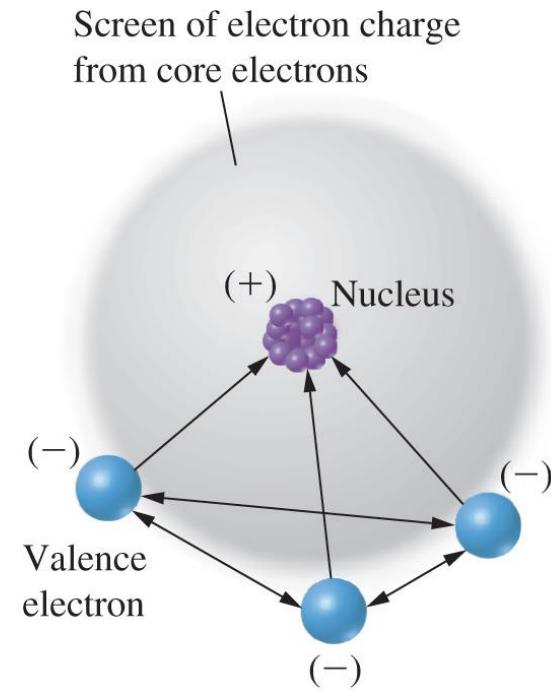
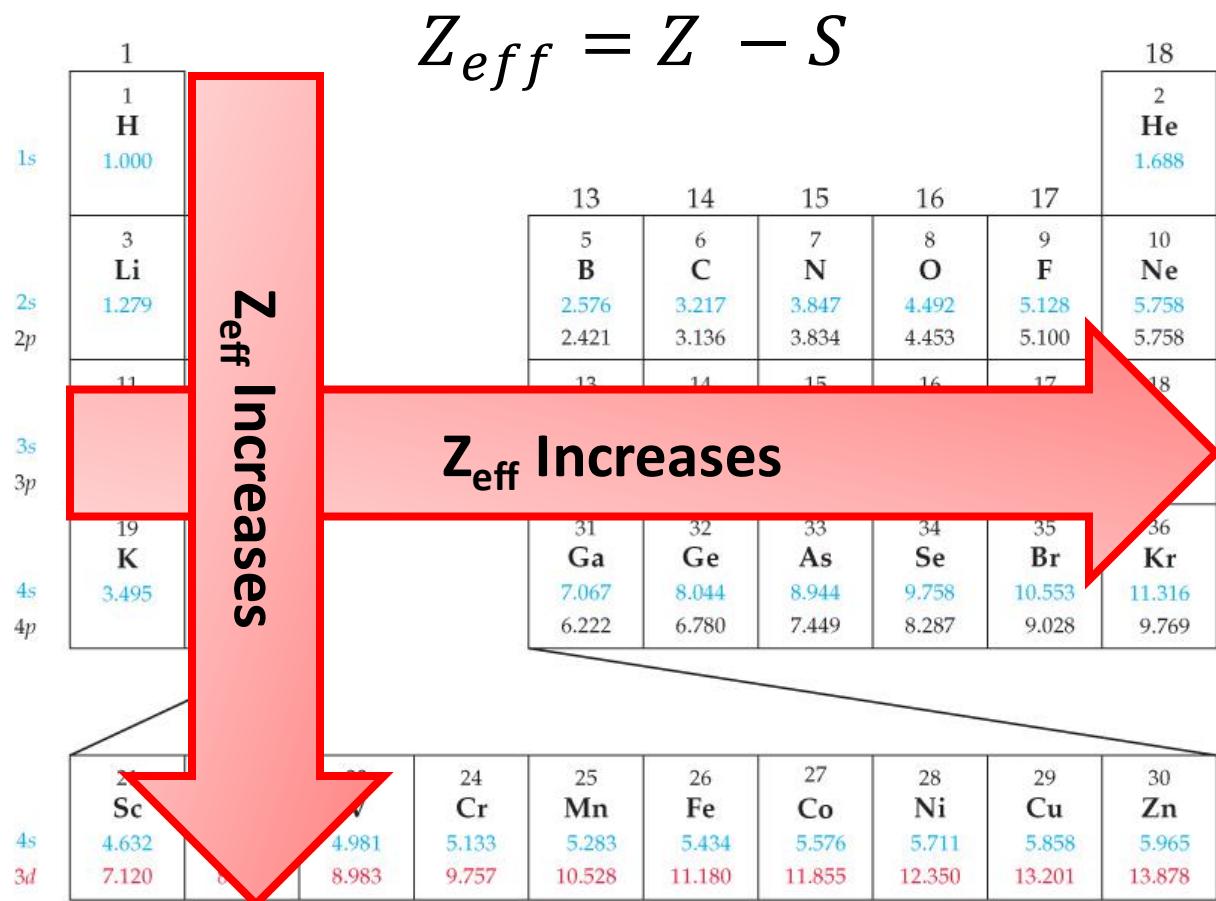


Figure 4: The shielding effect and effective nuclear charge,  $Z_{\text{eff}}$

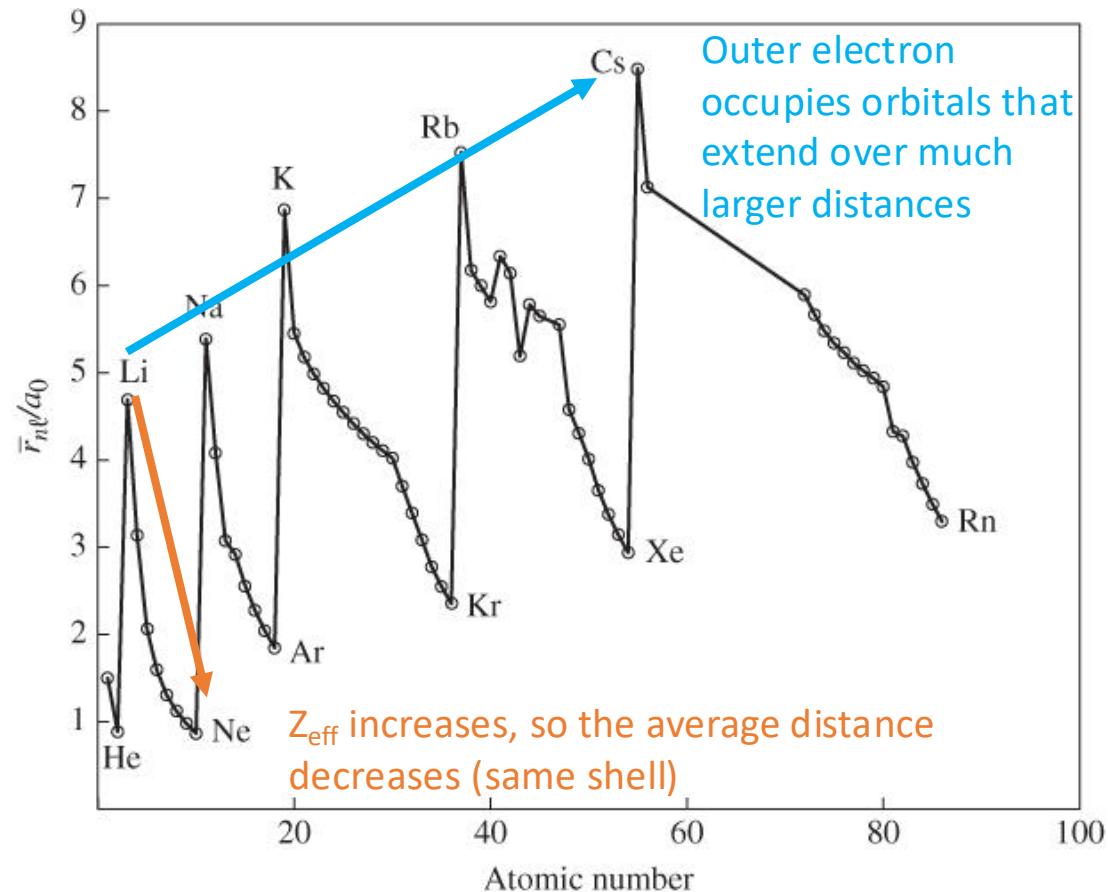
$$F = -\frac{Z_{\text{eff}} e^2}{r^2}$$

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**Figure 5:** Effective nuclear charges,  $Z_{eff}$ , of valence electrons.

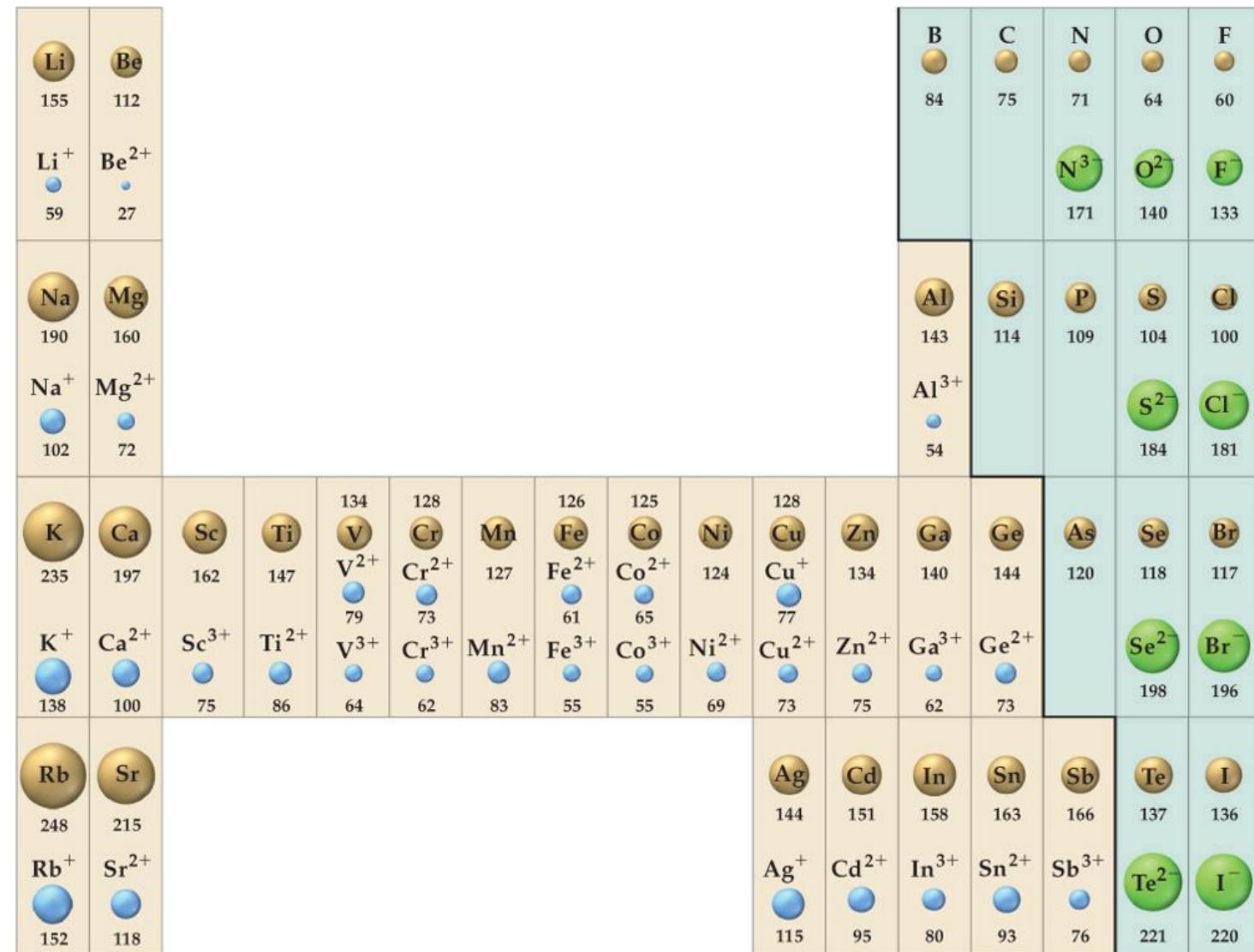


**Figure 6:** The average distance from the nucleus for the least strongly bound electron

# Size of Ions

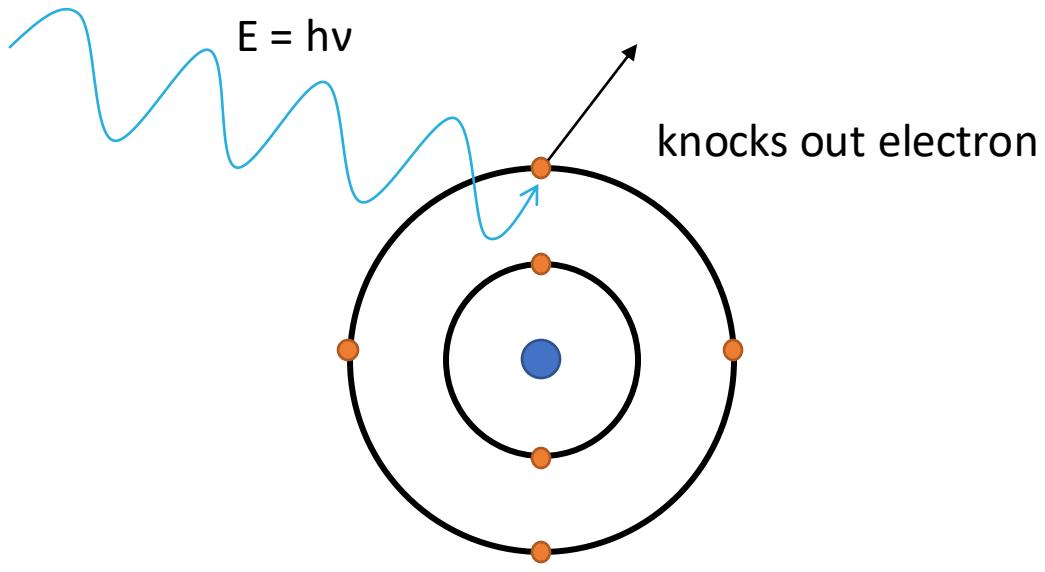
- **Cations** are smaller than the atoms from which they are formed.
- For **isoelectronic cations**, the more positive the ionic charge, the smaller the ionic radius.
- **Anions** are larger than the atoms from which they are formed.
- For **isoelectronic anions**, the more negative the charge, the larger the ionic radius.

**Figure 7:** A comparison of some atomic and ionic radii in picometers (pm)



# Ionization Energy

The quantity of energy a gaseous atom must absorb to be able to expel an electron.



Example: 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Ionization of Magnesium

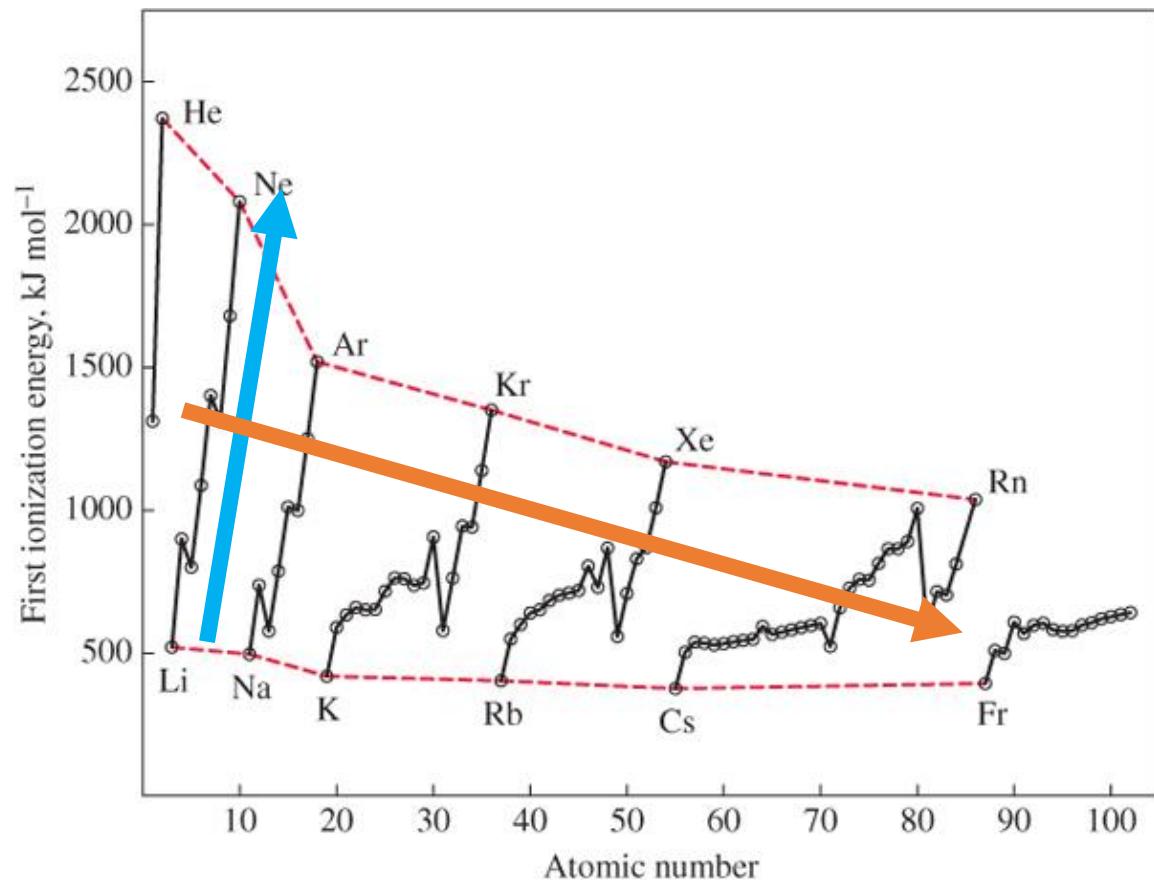
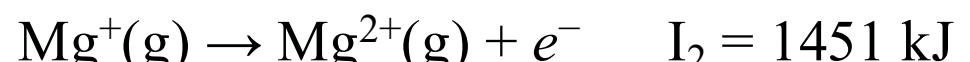
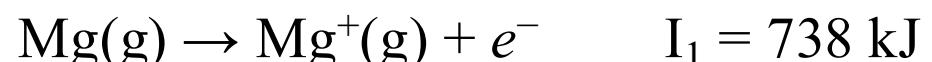


Figure 7: Ionization energy for each element.

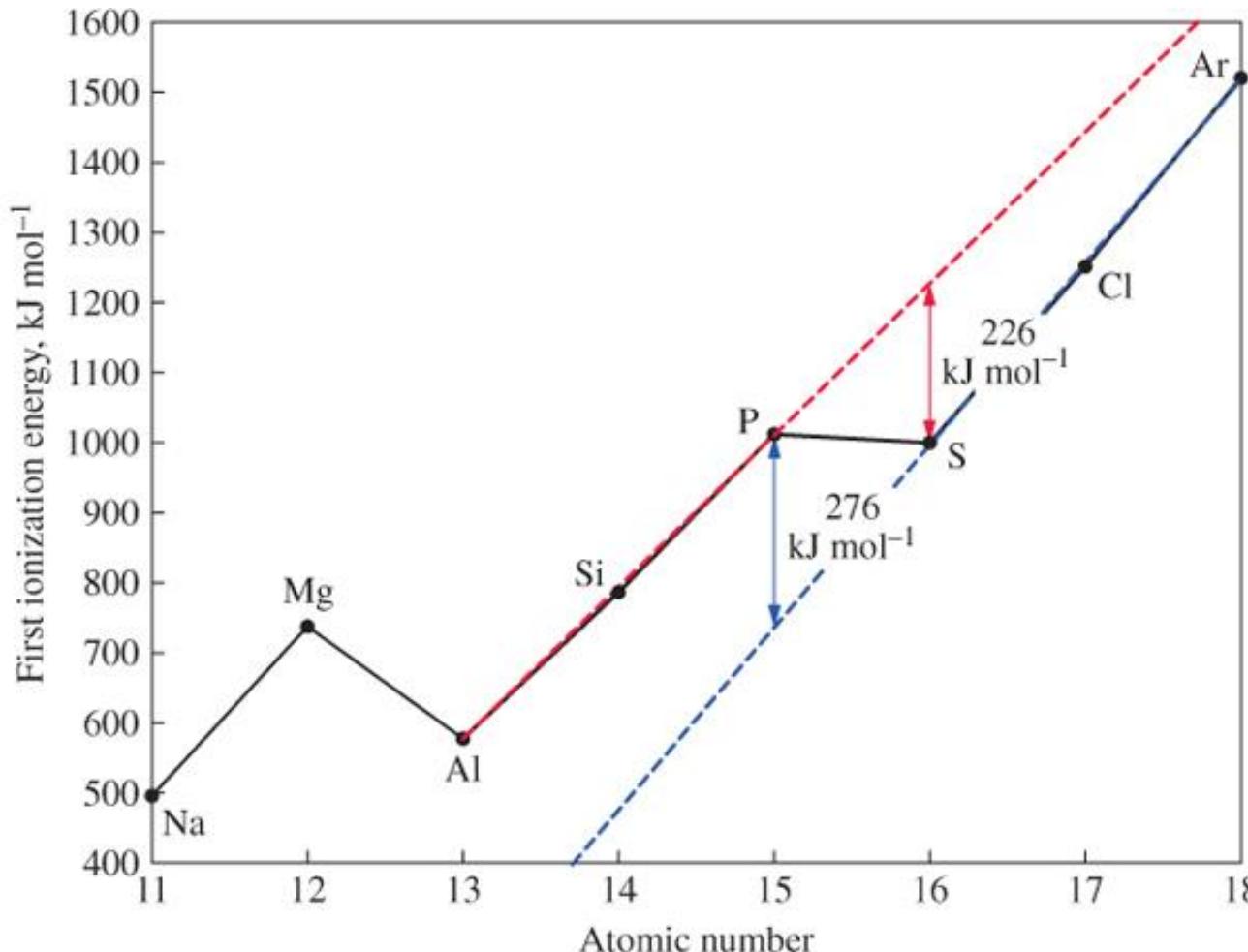
With relatively few exceptions, ionization energies increase from left to right across a period and decrease from top to bottom within a group.

# Ionization Energy

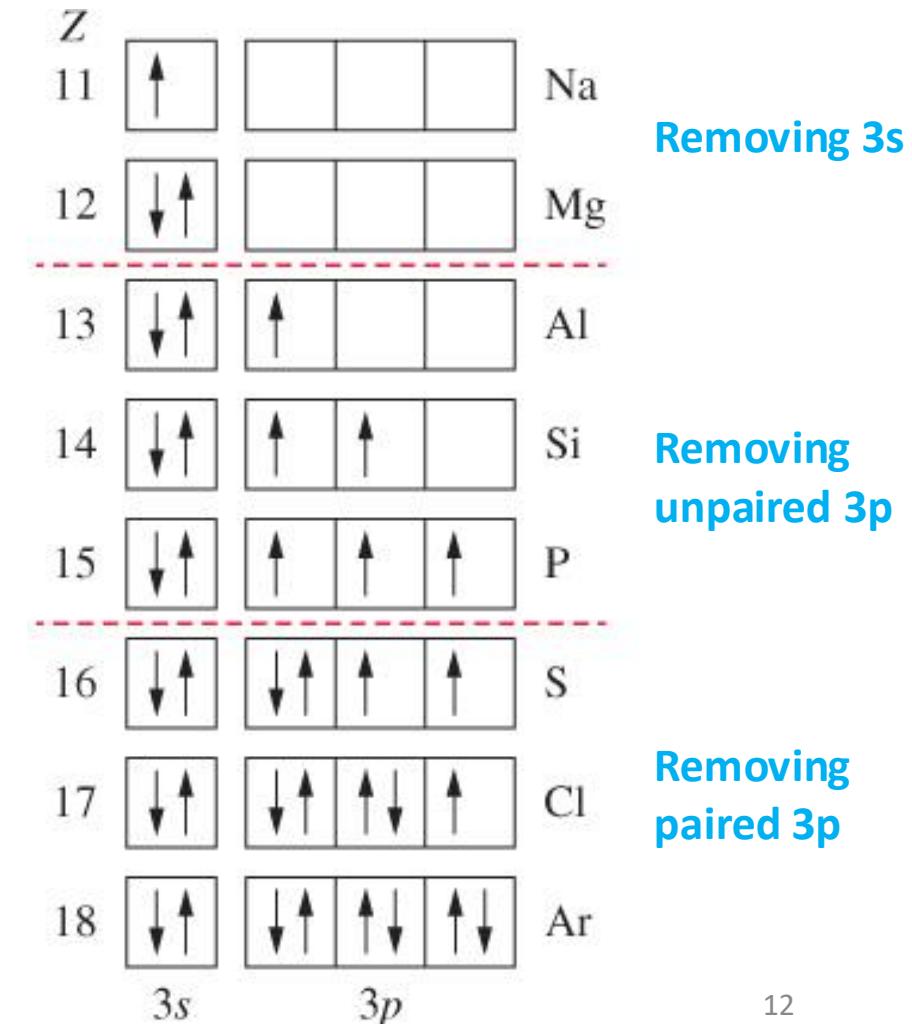
Ionization energies generally increase across each period (row)

- breaks in the pattern can be understood by examining electron configurations

**Figure 8:** First ionization energies of the 3<sup>rd</sup>-row elements.



**Figure 9:** Valence electron configurations.



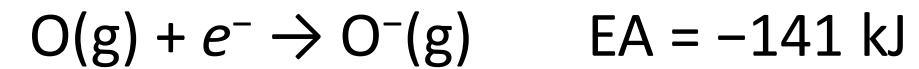
# Electron Affinity

The energy change that occurs when an atom in the gas phase gains an electron.

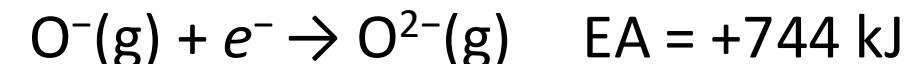
$X(g) + e^- \rightarrow X^-(g)$							
1		2	13	14	15	16	18
H -72.8			B -26.7	C -121.8	N +7	O -141.0	He >0
Li -59.6	Be >0		Al -42.5	Si -133.6	P -72	S -200.4	Ne >0
Na -52.9	Mg >0		Ga -28.9	Ge -119.0	As -78	Se -195.0	Cl -349.0
K -48.4	Ca -2.37		In -28.9	Sn -107.3	Sb -103.2	Te -190.2	Br -324.6
Rb -46.9	Sr -5.03		Tl -19.2	Pb -35.1	Bi -91.2	Po -186	I -295.2
Cs -45.5	Ba -13.95					At -270	Xe >0
							Rn >0

Figure 10: Electron affinities (kJ/mol) of main-group elements.

The First Electron Affinity of O is negative (more stable) due to the strong electron affinity of the neutral O atom.



The Second Electron Affinity is positive due to the strong repulsive force between the second electron and the negative O ion.

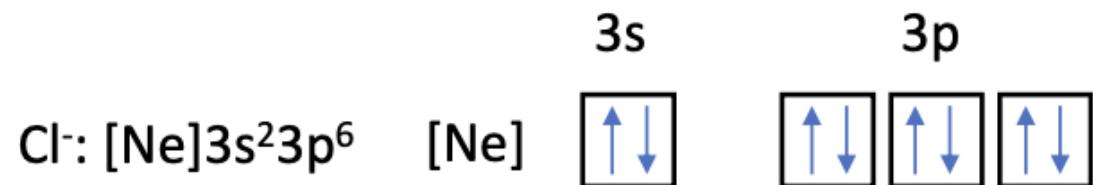


# Magnetic Properties

A key property related to electron configurations of atoms and ions is their behaviour in a magnetic field.

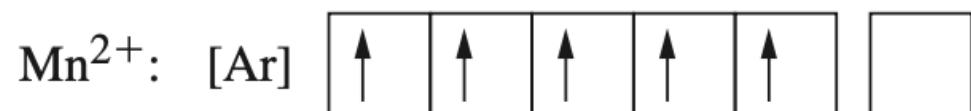
- **Diamagnetic** atoms or ions:

- All  $e^-$  are paired.
- Weakly repelled by a magnetic field.



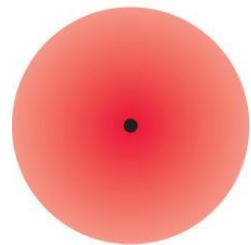
- **Paramagnetic** atoms or ions:

- *Unpaired*  $e^-$ .
- Attracted to an external magnetic field.  
The more unpaired electrons present, the stronger is this attraction.



# Polarizability

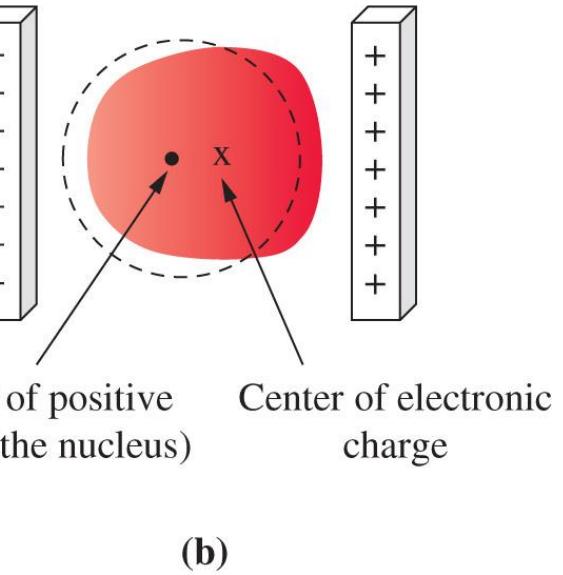
For an atom in the vicinity of another atom, molecule, or ion, the electron cloud is distorted.



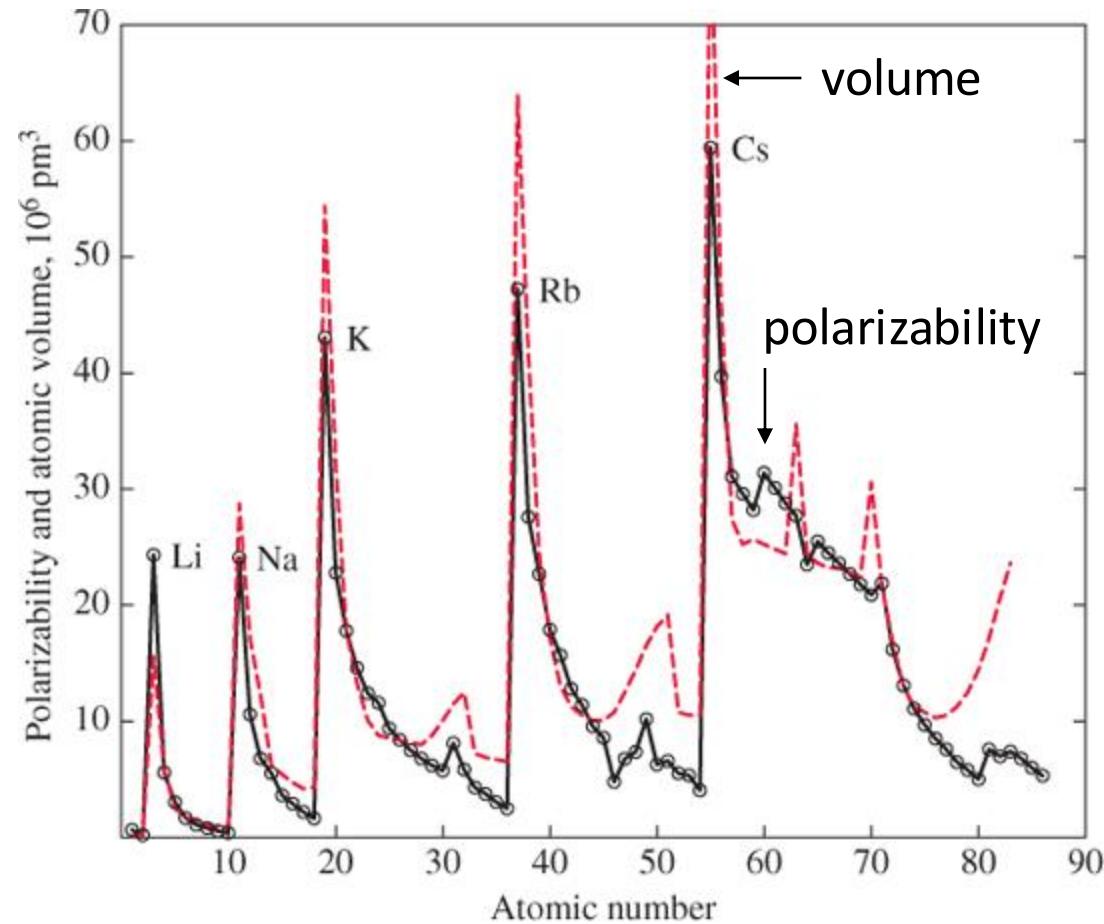
(a)

**Figure 11:**

- (a) For an isolated atom, the distribution of electronic charge about the nucleus is spherical.
- (b) In an electric field, the distribution of electronic charge is non-spherical, and the centers of positive and negative charge no longer coincide. The atom is said to be polarized.



(b)



**Figure 12:** Polarizability of an atom is similar in magnitude to the atomic volume calculated from atomic radii.

# Atomic Properties & the Periodic Table

## Summary

