

Naming of chemical compounds

Ion: atom or group of atoms that has a net charge

Cations: positively charged ion
e.g. Ba^{2+} , NH_4^+

Anion: negatively charged ion
e.g. Cl^- , CO_3^{2-}

Hydrogen: H^+ (common) or H^- (hydride)

Alkali Metals: lose $1e^- \rightarrow$
form $+1$ ions

Group 2A: lose $2e^-$ to form
 $2+$ ions

Aluminium: lose $3e^-$ to
form Al^{3+}

Group 7A : gains $1e^-$ to form
 1^- ions

Group 6A : gains $2e^-$ to
form 2^- ions

N and P : gain $3e^-$ to
form N^{3-} , P^{3-}

Type I metals :

one kind of charge

- alkali metals, alkaline earth
metals

aluminum, silver, zinc,
cadmium :

naming : name of element

- + "ion"

Type II metals:

more than one kind of charged ion:

Example $\text{Fe}^{2+} / \text{Fe}^{3+}$

naming: name of element + charge as roman number + "ion"

Fe^{2+} : iron II ion

Fe^{3+} : iron III ion

Mono Atomic anions

suffix "ide" is substituted for the ending of the name

Cl^- : chlorine ~~ion~~ chloride

Naming of binary compounds

Type I :

NaCl : sodium chloride

MgO : magnesium oxide

Al_2O_3 : aluminium oxide

Type II :

FeCl_2 : iron II chloride

FeCl_3 : iron III chloride

Naming of binary covalent compounds

- between two non-metals
- the element farther left in the periodic table is written first

Ex.: SF_6

- name of first element remains unchanged
- suffix **"ide"** replaces the ending of second element
- use **prefixes** to indicate the number of each kind; mono is omitted for first element
 SF_6 : sulfur hexafluoride

CO : carbon monoxide

Polyatomic Ions

- ionic : follow same rules as with binary compounds
- metal / cation written first
- if Type II metal, show charge in parentheses as roman numeral
- polyatomic ion is then named or written

Anion

—ide

chloride, Cl^-
cyanide, CN^-

—ate

chlorate, ClO_3^-
perchlorate, ClO_4^-
sulfate, SO_4^{2-}

—ite

chlorite, ClO_2^-
hypochlorite, ClO^-
sulfite, SO_3^{2-}

Acid

hydro—ic acid

HCl : hydrochloric
acid

HCN : hydrocyanic
acid

—ic acid

chloric acid, HClO_3
perchloric acid, HClO_4
sulfuric acid H_2SO_4

—ous acid

chlorous acid HClO_2
hypochlorous acid HClO
sulfurous acid H_2SO_3