

Mg not like Be or the rest of the group. It is intermediate between purely ionic and purely covalent.

Mg^{2+} is highly polarizing and therefore does form some non-ionic compounds in addition to ionic compounds

$\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2$ like $\text{Be}(\text{OH})_2$ is more covalent than the other $\text{M}(\text{OH})_2$ compounds which dissolve readily in H_2O to give basic solutions (ionic oxides are basic whereas covalent oxides, if they dissolve, are acidic)

(actually Be^{2+} and Mg^{2+} form amphoteric oxides)

Calcium, Strontium, Barium and Radium

These form a rather close-knit group with properties that vary gradually with increasing size $\text{Ca} \rightarrow \text{Ra}$

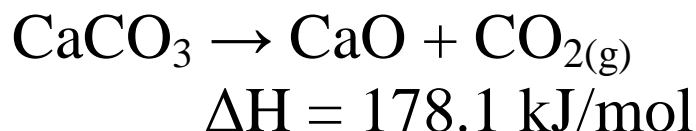
- electropositive nature increases
- hydration energies of the salts increase
- insolubility of most salts increase
- larger cations tend to stabilize larger anions
 O_2^{2-} , O_2^- , I_3^-

Binary Compounds of Group IIA

Oxides

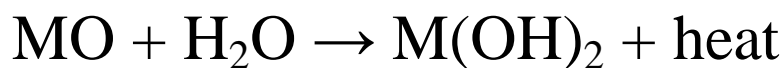
MO white, high-melting crystalline materials
NaCl fcc structures

most important member is:



CaO is made on a vast scale for the cement industry (from limestone)

except for Mg^{2+} the following is true:



strong bases!

$\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2$ is a weak base

Halides

all are ionic

MX_2 can be made from dehydration of hydrates
 $\text{MX}_2 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (X can vary)

Solubilities of MX_2 decrease as you go down the group except for MF_2 compounds which are more soluble for: $\text{Ba}^{2+} > \text{Sr}^{2+} > \text{Ca}^{2+} > \text{Mg}^{2+}$

Q Why?

A Mg^{2+} is rather small so contact with F^- is good in the crystal packing \rightarrow stabilizes the crystal giving a high lattice energy & Ba^{2+} is large, does not make good contact with F^- in a crystal

Summary

Periodic Chemical Properties as developed in Chapter 8 are evident in Alkaline Earths, Group IIA

Be

1. covalent even with electronegative elements
e.g. BeF_2 , $[\text{BeF}_4]^{2-}$, $[\text{Be}(\text{OH}_2)]^{2+}$
2. forms no simple Be^{2+} ionic compounds
3. forms four-coordinate compounds
4. forms covalent Be-C bonds as in BeR_2
(R = alkyl)
5. oxide BeO and $\text{Be}(\text{OH})_2$ are amphoteric
6. halides $[\text{BeX}_2]_n$ are covalent polymers
7. hydride $[\text{BeH}_2]_n$ is also a covalent polymer

Mg

1. forms ionic substances that have partial ionic character
2. forms many ionic compounds with uncomplexed Mg^{2+}
3. MgO is basic and the hydroxide is only weakly basic
4. forms ionic MgX_2 halides
5. MgH_2 is only partially covalent

Ca, Sr, Ba

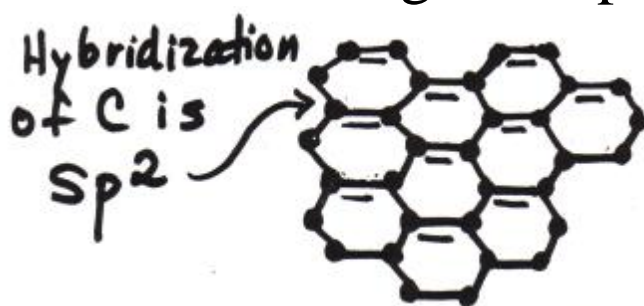
1. form only ionic substances
2. do not form covalent bonds
3. MO are basic and the $\text{M}(\text{OH})_2$ are strong bases with increasing solubilities with larger cations
4. MH_2 are strongly H^- based, ionic compounds

Carbon

Allotropes (two main ones)

1. graphite $C_{(s)}$
2. diamond $C_{(s)}$

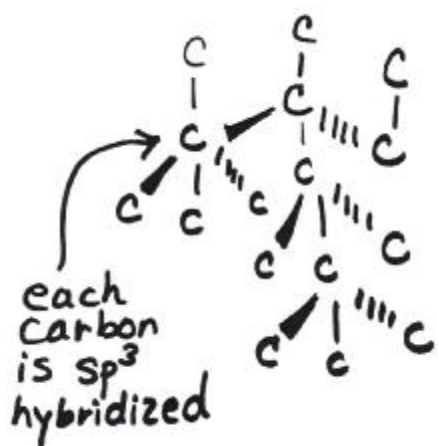
1. Graphite – sheets of carbon atoms linked in hexagon shapes



This is a sheet,
held together
by C-C bonds

- Rings of carbon atoms “lock” together; this allows them to conduct electricity in the sheet
- The next sheet or layer on top is held only by weak van der Waals forces

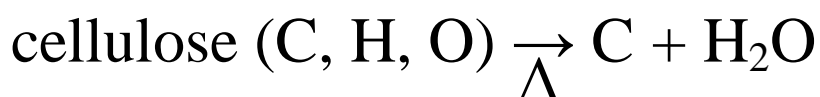
2. Diamond



- each carbon is tetrahedral (sp^3)
- the network is three-dimensional
- hard to break the C-C bonds so diamond is hardest substance known
- diamond is used as an abrasive (cutting tools)

Other forms of Carbon

3. Charcoal is mostly graphitic carbon but it is prepared by heating wood without oxygen

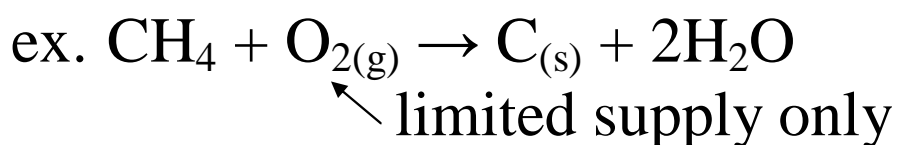


Finely powdered charcoal is activated charcoal. It absorbs a variety of molecules from air and water so it is used in filters.

4. Coke is similar to charcoal but it is made by heating soft (bituminous) coal. Coke is used to reduce oxides to metals.



5. Carbon black is finely divided carbon made by heating hydrocarbons or paraffins (wax).



6. Fullerenes $\text{C}_{60}, \text{C}_{70}$

Buckminsterfullerene “Bucky-Balls”

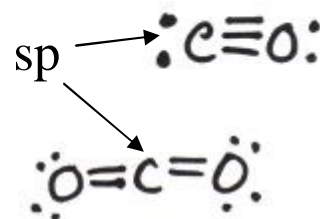
“Bucky-Balls”, C_{60} , look like soccer balls.
Their shapes have 60 vertices and 32 faces with 20 hexagons and 12 pentagons

C_{70} is similar but is “pinched” around the middle and is larger than C_{60}

Oxides of Carbon

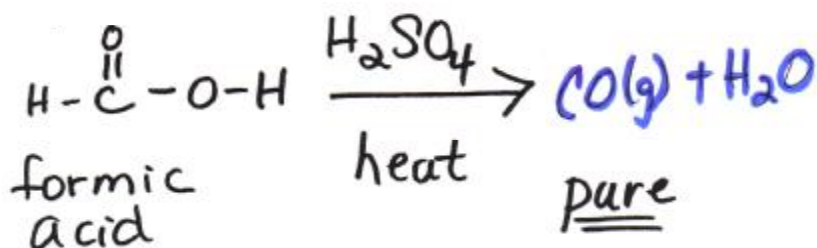
A. CO carbon monoxide

B. CO₂ carbon dioxide



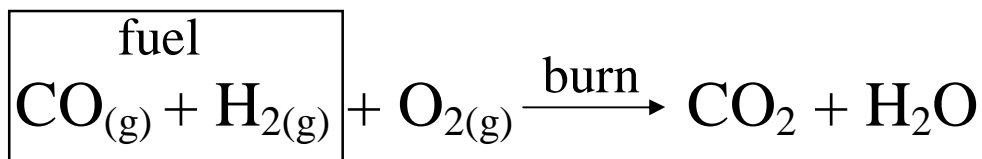
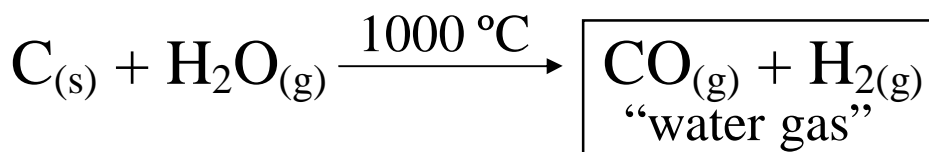
A. Carbon monoxide CO

- Preparation:



impure CO is found wherever fuels are burned – it is mixed with CO₂ and sometimes other hydrocarbons

- Used as a fuel in the “water gas” reaction



- Used as a reducing agent. CO is used to reduce metal oxides to metals.
ex. $\text{FeO} + \text{CO} \xrightarrow{\Delta} \text{Fe} + \text{CO}_2$
- poisonous to red-blooded animals. Why?
because CO is very poisonous to our respiratory cycle. It binds to the Fe^{2+} (heme) ion in hemoglobin and blocks it from carrying O_2 to the cells.



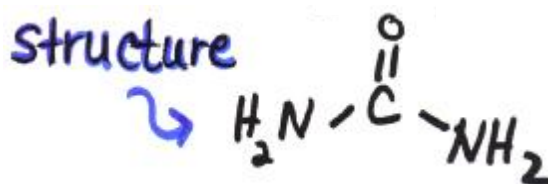
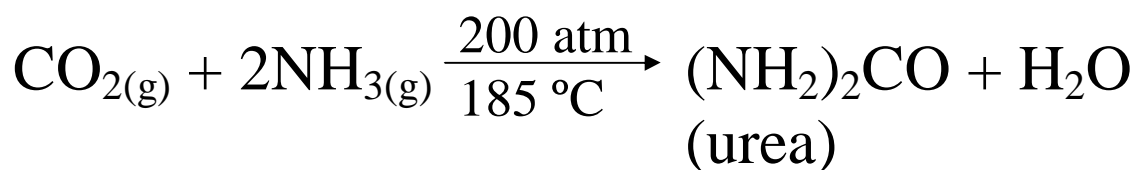
B. Carbon dioxide CO_2

- Preparations: (small-scale)
 - (a) $2\text{CO}_{(\text{g})} + \text{O}_{2(\text{g})} \xrightarrow{\Delta} 2\text{CO}_{2(\text{g})}$
(burning of CO in air)
 - (b) $2\text{C}_8\text{H}_{18} + 25 \text{O}_2 \rightarrow 16\text{CO}_2 + 18\text{H}_2\text{O}$
(formed by complete combustion of hydrocarbons)

- Industrial Production:
CO₂ is a by-product of the Haber-Bosch process. A by-product is not a major product but a minor one.

CO₂ is used to make urea

Reaction of CO₂ to make urea:



Use of urea:

Urea is a solid, unlike NH₃. It can be easily shipped into agricultural areas and mixed into the soil. It then slowly reacts with H₂O to give back NH₃ and CO₂.



- Other Sources of CO₂
by heating metal carbonates

$$\text{CaCO}_{3(s)} \xrightarrow{\Delta} \text{CaO}_{(s)} + \text{CO}_{2(g)}$$

(limestone) (lime)

lime or CaO (limestone is CaCO_3) is calcium oxide which is an important chemical

16-18 million tons of lime are produced annually in the U.S.

What is it used for?

- metallurgical industry
- chemical industry
- waste water treatment
- “scrubbing” SO_2 from smoke stack gases
- making cement

Cement – Portland cement

lime powder (CaO)

+ sand (SiO_2)

+ clay ($\text{SiO}_2 \cdot \text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ oxides)

$\xrightarrow{\text{heat}}$
Portland Cement
 $\text{C-Si-O-Si-O-Si-....}$ strong bonds