

Questions

- What is an ion?
- What is an ionic compound?
- What is the difference between an ionic and a covalent bond?
- What kinds of compounds are likely to be ionic?

Recall:

- Diamond does not melt (and re-crystallize) – because covalent bonds are broken
- Water (and other molecular compounds) melt and re-crystallize – because the interactions between the molecules are broken on melting
- Sodium chloride melts and reforms – what implications does that have for the kind of bonding it has?

Other properties of NaCl

- V high melting and boiling points
- Conducts electricity when melted (but not in the solid – so not metallic)

Which is bigger?

- Na atom or Na^+ cation
- Cl atom or Cl^- anion
- Why?

Cations

- Positively charged
- Simple cations formed from metals losing electrons (ie elements with low electronegativity)
- **What is the relative size of the cation and atom?**
Why?
- Smaller than corresponding atom
- Charge usually corresponds to loss of electrons back to “core” **but not because this is more stable –loss of electrons always requires energy**
- But highly charged ions form stronger bonds – which are more stable!

Anions

- Negatively charged
- Simple anions formed from non-metals gaining electrons (ie elements with high **electronegativity**)
- **What is the relative size of the anion and atom? Why?**
- Larger than corresponding atom
- Charge usually corresponds to gain of electrons to the next filled (sub) shell ie noble gas configuration

What charge do you expect on

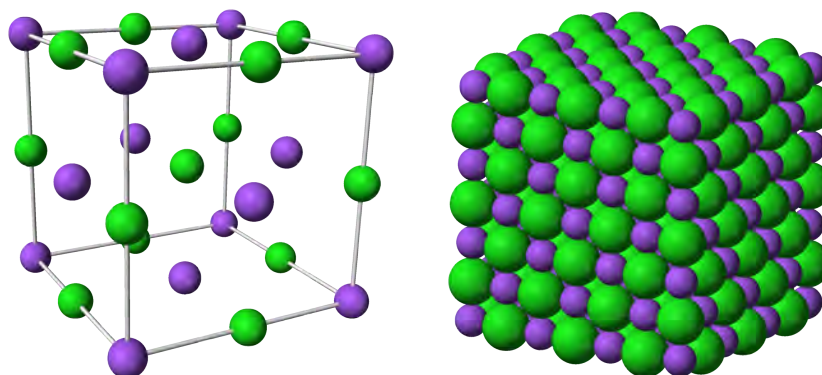
- K
- Mg
- Al
- S
- N
- Br
- Fe

Elements That Form Ions with Predictable Charges

	1A	2A								3A	4A	5A	6A	7A	8A
1	Li ⁺											N ³⁻	O ²⁻	F ⁻	
2	Na ⁺	Mg ²⁺	3B	4B	5B	6B	7B	8B	1B	2B	Al ³⁺		S ²⁻	Cl ⁻	
3	K ⁺	Ca ²⁺											Se ²⁻	Br ⁻	
4	Rb ⁺	Sr ²⁺											Te ²⁻	I ⁻	
5	Cs ⁺	Ba ²⁺													

Transition metal ions always form a 2+ (and usually some others as well)

Sodium Chloride



Ionic compounds:

- Metal plus non-metal eg NaCl
- Metals form cations, non-metals form anions
- Each ion typically achieves noble gas configuration – **this is a trade-off between energy required to gain or lose electrons, and stabilization of the system when ionic bonds are formed**
- Ionic compounds are neutral

What is the formula for the compounds formed between these ions?

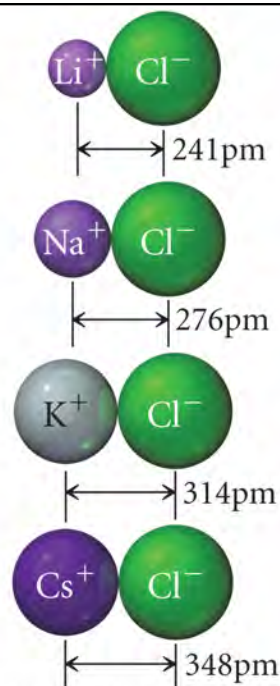
- Na^+ and Cl^-
- Mg^{2+} and O^{2-}
- Al^{3+} and O^{2-}
- Mg and N
- Ca and Br
- Cs and S

Lattice Energy

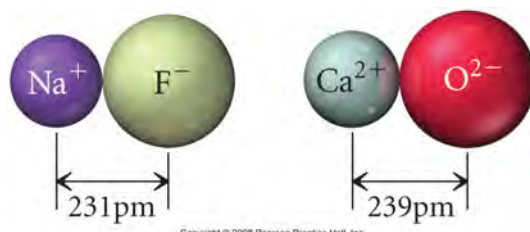
- Energy released when an ionic lattice forms from ions in the gas phase
- $\text{Na}^+(\text{g}) + \text{Cl}^-(\text{g}) \rightarrow \text{NaCl}(\text{s})$
- Force of attraction = constant (q^+q^-/r^2)
- Potential Energy = constant (q^+q^-/r)
- More charge – stronger attraction
- Larger ions – smaller attraction

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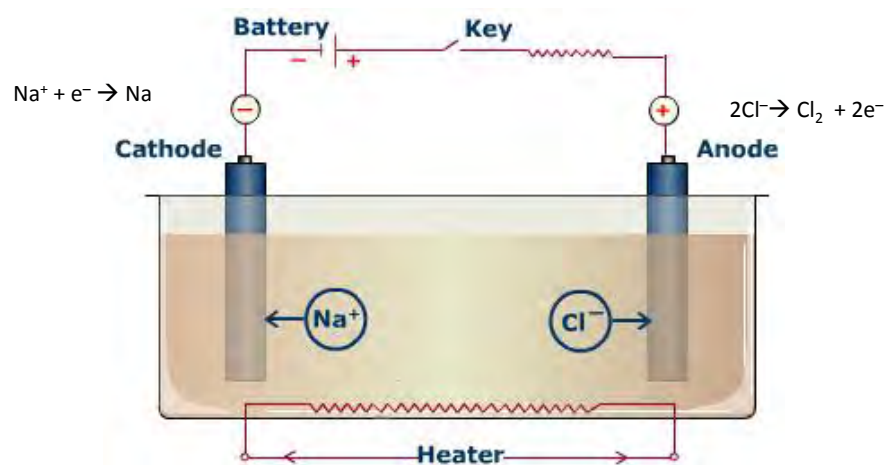
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Electrolysis of NaCl



The charge is carried through the melt by IONS

Questions

- Why doesn't solid table salt conduct electricity?
- Why does molten table salt conduct electricity?
- Why do you think the melting point of table salt is so high? (it is over 800 °C)
- Why don't metals tend to gain electrons?
- Why don't non-metals lose electrons?
- What do you think happens to the size of a sodium atom when it loses an electron to become Na^+ ? Why?
- What do you think happens to the size of a chlorine atom when it gains an electron and becomes Cl^- ? Why?