Lecture 3; CH 101: Inorganic Chemistry

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Periodic Table: Atomic and Ionic Radii

Atomic radius: Half the internuclear distance between neighboring atoms

Metals: Metallic radius;

Non Metals: Covalent radius

Ionic radius: Distance between centres of neighboring anions and cations

Periodic Table: Atomic Radii

Atomic radii increase down a group and decrease from left to right across a period

On descending the group, valence electrons are added to orbitals of successively higher principal quantum number

Across a period, the valence electrons enter the orbitals of the same shell

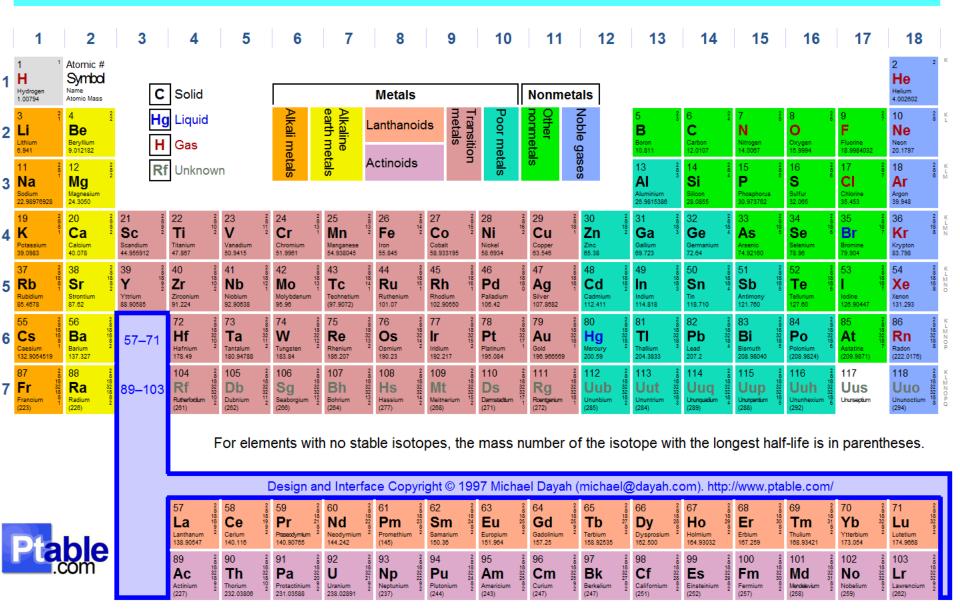
Any deviations?

Periodic Table: Atomic Radii - Deviations

Deviations from the expected trend occurs between elements within a group of the third row and second row d-block elements due to lanthanide contraction

Li	Ве											В	С	N	0	F
157	112											88	77	74	73	71
Na	Mg											Al	Si	P	S	CI
191	160											143	118	110	104	99
K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br
235	197	164	147	135	129	137	126	125	125	128	137	140	122	122	117	114
Rb	Sr	Υ	Zr	Nb	Мо	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Те	1
250	215	182	160	147	140	135	134	134	137	144	152	150	140	141	135	133
Cs	Ва	La	Hf	Та	W	Re	Os	lr	Pt	Au	Hg	TI	Pb	Bi		
272	224	188	159	147	141	137	135	136	139	144	155	155	154	152		

Periodic Table of Elements



Periodic Table: Atomic Radii - Deviations

Elements in the third row of *d*-block are preceded by elements of first row of *f*-block (lanthanoids)

Poor shielding of *f*-orbitals results in valence electrons being more attracted to nucleus than expected

The repulsion between electrons being added across the f-block fail to compensate for the increasing $Z_{\rm eff}$

Net result: Decrease in atomic radii as one goes from La to Lu

Similar effect is found in elements that follow *d*-block

Periodic Table: Ionic Radii

Variation in ionic radii through the periodic table similar to that of atomic radii

All monoatomic anions are larger than their parent atoms

Greater electron-electron repulsions Decrease in Z_{eff}

Similarly, all monoatomic cations are smaller than their parent atoms

Reduced electron-electron repulsions Increase in Z_{eff}

Why is there a large increase in ionic radius on going from Si⁴⁺ (42 pm) to P³⁻ (198 pm) ion?

Answer: Si^{4+} has an electron arrangement of $1s^2$ $2s^2$ $2p^6$, i. e. two occupied energy levels. P^{3-} has an electron arrangement of $1s^2$ $2s^2$ $2p^6$ $3s^2$ $3p^6$, i. e. three occupied energy levels. The third energy level is further from the nucleus. As a result, the atomic radius of P^{3-} is higher than Si^{4+} .

Why Cl⁻ (181 pm) is smaller than P³⁻ (212 pm) ion?

Answer: Both Cl⁻ and P³⁻ ions have the same electronic configuration. However, the Cl⁻ has 17 protons in its nucleus, while P³⁻ has only 15. The chloride is smaller because its electrons are drawn closer to the higher positive charge on its nucleus, as force of attraction F is proportional to Z.

Periodic Table: Ionization Energy

Minimum energy required to remove an electron from a gas-phase atom

First ionization energy: Energy required to remove the least tightly bound electron from neutral atom

Second ionization energy: Energy required to remove the least tightly bound electron from resulting cation

Periodic Table: Ionization Energy

Largely determined by highest occupied orbital

$$I = E(A^+,g) - E(A,g)$$

First ionization energy varies systematically and follows the pattern of of effective nuclear charge $Z_{\rm eff}$ $I \propto Z_{\rm eff}^2/n^2$

First ionization energy is the smallest at lower left (near Cs) and greatest near the upper right (near He)

Elements with small atomic radii have high ionization energies and *vice versa*

I (kJ/mol) Deviations

Н							
1312							
Li	Ве	В	С	N	0	F	
513	899	801	1086	1402	1314	1681	
7297	1757	2426	2352	2855	3386	3375	
11809	14844	3660	4619	4577	5300	6050	
		25018					
Na	Mg	Al	Si	Р	S	Cl	
495	737	577	786	1011	1000	1251	
4562	1476	1816	1577	1903	2251	2296	
6911	7732	2744	3231	2911	3361	3826	

Ge

Sn

Pb

Se

Te

Po

Br

At

As

Sb

Bi

Ga

In

ΤI

He

Ar

Kr

Rn

Xe

Ne

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K

Rb

Cs

Ca

Sr

Ba

Periodic Table: Successive Ionization

Successive ionizations of an element require increasingly higher energies

Higher the positive charge, greater is the electrostatic attraction experienced by the electron being removed

Removal of successive electrons increases $Z_{\rm eff}$ and as a result the atom contracts

TRENDS ARE NEVER SIMPLE

Arrange the following elements in increasing order of first ionization energy.

Na, Mg, Al, Si, P, S, Cl

Answer: Na $(3s^1)$ < Al $(3s^2 3p^1)$ < Mg $(3s^2)$ < Si $(3s^2 3p^2)$ < S $(3s^2 3p^4)$ < P $(3s^2 3p^3)$ < Cl $(3s^2 3p^5)$

The valence electron configurations of the elements are given within the brackets.

Ionization potential increases from left to right across a period. The discrepancies of Mg/Al and P/S pairs can be explained in terms of higher stability of completely filled and half-filled *s* and *p* orbitals.

Periodic Table: Electron Affinity

Change in energy when a gaseous atom gains electron

May be exothermic or endothermic $E_a = E(A,g) - E(A^-,g)$

Largely determined by lowest unfilled orbital

A positive (high) electron affinity indicates that the ion A has a lower, more negative energy than the neutral atom, A . 2nd electron addition is invariably endothermic

An element has an high electron affinity, if the additional electron experiences a strong $Z_{\rm eff}$

Elements close to F (but not inert gases) have high electron affinity. (N₂ is an Exception!!)

N	0	F	$E_a/(kJ \text{ mol}^{-1})^{-1}$
-8	141	328	CH 101 IC Dr. Akshai Ku

Periodic Table: Electronegetivity

Tendency of an element to attract electrons to itself when it is part of a compound.

$$\chi_{\rm M} = \frac{1}{2}(I + E_{\rm a})$$

$$\chi_{\rm P} = 1.35\chi_{\rm M}^{1/2} - 1.37$$

$$\chi_{\rm AR} = 0.744 + \frac{35.90Z_{\rm eff}}{(r/{\rm pm})^2}$$

It is useful to

Rationalize bond energies

Predict the type of reactions

Prediction of polarities of bonds and molecules

Periodic Table: Electronegativity

Electronegativity of an element is high if the two frontier orbitals of its atoms are low in energy

In general there is an increase in electronegativity across a period

Elements with high Z_{eff} and small covalent radius have high electronegativity

Electronegativity decreases down a group

Periodic Table: Polarizability

Ability to be distorted by an electric field

Polarizability likely to be high if the separation of frontier orbitals is small (typically found for large, heavy atoms and ions)

Polarizability will be low if the separation of frontier orbitals is large

Ability of species to distort the electron distribution of neighboring atoms – Polarizing ability

Periodic Table: Polarizability; Fajan's Rules

Small, highly charged cations have polarizing ability

Large, highly charged anions are easily polarized

Cations that do not have noble gas configuration are easily polarized.

Arrange the diatomic halogen molecules in increasing order of their boiling points. Give suitable explanations for your answer.

Answer: The order of boiling points of halogens is F_2 < Cl_2 < Br_2 < l_2

Explanation: In this case, the bonding is primarily covalent in nature. The boiling point depends on the degree of intermolecular forces holding the molecules together in the liquid state. Because the strength of a London dispersion force increases with polarizability of the element's electron cloud and the polarizability in turn depends on the diffuseness (or size) of the atom, the boiling points of the halogens increase with increasing atomic radius.