

17 The first ionization enthalpy values (in kJ mol^{-1}) of group 13 elements are

B	Al	Ga	In	Tl
801	577	579	558	589

How would you explain this deviation from the general trend?

Ans The decrease in $\Delta_i H$ value from B to Al is due to the bigger size of Al.

In Ga, there is 10d¹⁰ electron which does not screen as is done by s and p electron. The same is with In and Tl. The latter has fourteen d electrons with very poor shielding effect. This also increases the effective nuclear charge. Hence the value of $\Delta_i H$ increases.

20 Which of the following pair of elements would have to more negative element gain enthalpy.

(i) O or F (ii) F or Cl

Ans Both O and F lie in 2nd period. As we move from O to F the atomic size decreases. Due to smaller size of F nuclear charge increases further, gain of one electron by, $F \rightarrow F^-$

F⁻ ion has inert gas configuration, while the gain of one electron by $O \rightarrow O^-$

gives O^- which does not have stable inert gas configuration. Consequently, the energy released is much higher in going from

In other word electron gain enthalpy of F is much more negative than that of Oxygen.

(ii) The reason for deviation is due to the smaller of F. Due to its small size, the electron repulsion in the relatively compact 2p-subshell are comparatively large hence the attractive for incoming electron is less in the case of Cl.

22 What is the basic difference between the terms electron gain enthalpy and electronegativity?

Ans Electron gain enthalpy refers to an isolated gaseous atom to accept an additional electron to form a negative ion. Whereas electronegativity refers to tendency of the atom of an element to attract shared pair of electron towards in a covalent bond.

23 How would you react to the statement that the electronegativity of N on Pauling scale is 3.0 in all the nitrogen compounds.

Ans On Pauling scale, the electronegativity of Nitrogen (3.0) indicates that it is sufficiently electronegative. But it is not correct to say that the electronegativity of nitrogen in all the compounds is 3. It depends on state of hybridisation. More is the s character more will be the electronegativity.

24 What you expect the first ionization enthalpies of two isotopes of the same element to be the same/different? Justify. Ionization enthalpy, among the first ionization depends on electronic configuration and nuclear charge. Since isotopes of an element have the same electronic and same nuclear charge, they have same ionization.