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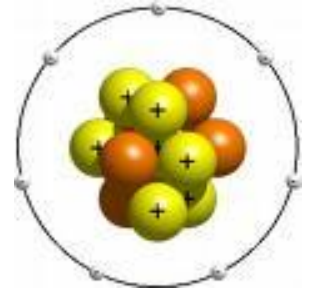
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# Inorganic Chemistry

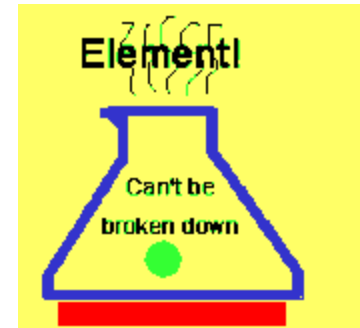


# Chemical Basis of Life:

## *Atoms, Molecules & Compounds*

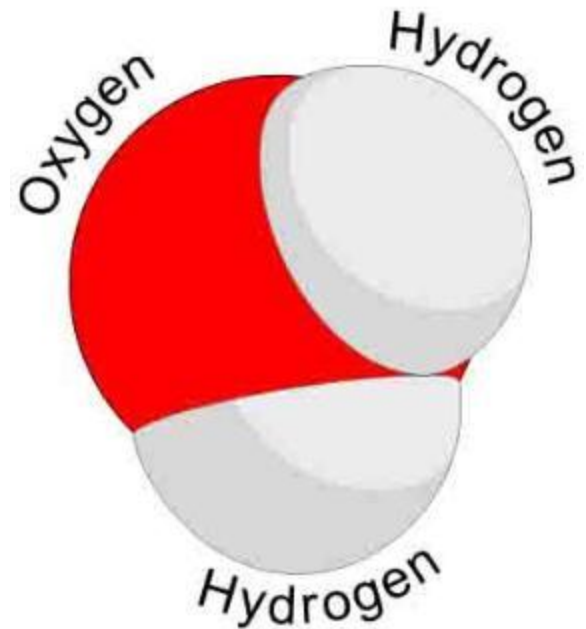


- → Anything that occupies space and has mass.
- → Substances that can't be broken down any further. *[Living things are composed of 24 elements. More than 100 in the periodic table.]*
- **Atom** → The smallest unit of an element.  
*[atoms = protons (+) and neutrons in the nucleus orbited by electrons (-)]*
- → Atoms chemically bonded with other atoms.
- → Molecules composed of two or more different kinds of elements.



# Reminder... Molecule vs. Compound

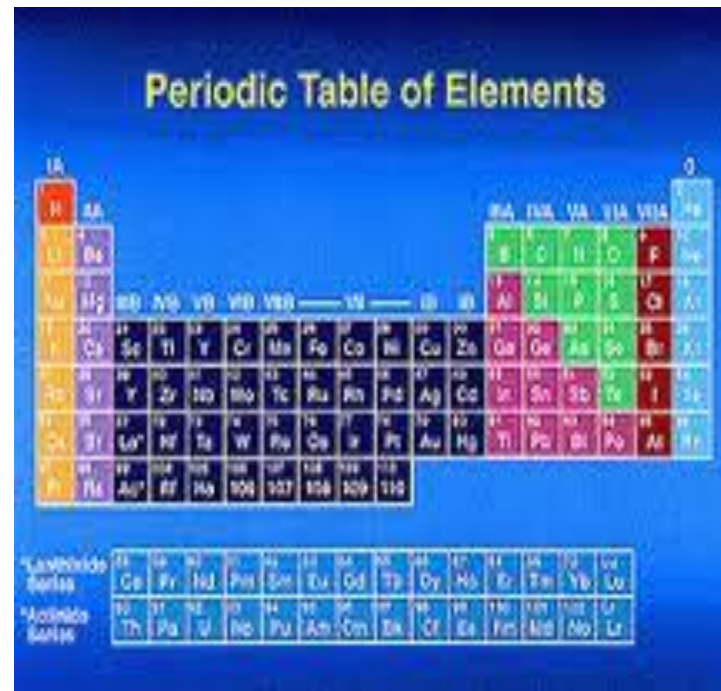
- **Q: What do we call two or more atoms joined together chemically?**
- **Q: What do we call a molecule containing at least two different elements?**
- All compounds are molecules but not all molecules are compounds.
- **Examples of molecules:** Carbon dioxide ( $\text{CO}_2$ ) and methane ( $\text{CH}_4$ ), molecular hydrogen ( $\text{H}_2$ ), molecular oxygen ( $\text{O}_2$ ) and molecular nitrogen ( $\text{N}_2$ ).
- **Examples of compounds:** Only molecules containing two or more elements, such as carbon dioxide ( $\text{CO}_2$ ) and methane ( $\text{CH}_4$ ).



# Chemical Shorthand

## Chemical \_\_\_\_\_

- Begins with **one or two letters** based on elements name.
- **Q:** *What if there is more than one element that starts with the same letter?*
- Example: Carbon (C), Calcium (Ca), Chlorine (Cl)



Periodic Table of Elements

The image shows a standard periodic table of elements with a blue background. The elements are arranged in rows and columns, with their chemical symbols and names. The table is color-coded by groups: IA (red), IIA (orange), IIIA (yellow), IVA (green), VA (light green), VIA (dark green), VIIA (purple), VIIIA (blue), and VIII (cyan). The lanthanide and actinide series are shown at the bottom of the table.

## Chemical \_\_\_\_\_

- "Shorthand" for a compound.
- Contains chemical symbols of the elements that make up the molecule.
- Numerical subscripts represent number of atoms of each element in molecule.  
*Example:  $H_2O$  = water; has two hydrogen atoms and one oxygen.*
- More than one molecule of same type...the group of letters is preceded by number.  
*Example  $2H_2O$  = two water molecules.*

Follow this link to see Daniel Radcliff (Harry Potter) sing "[The Element Song](#)".

# The Structure of an Atom

Atoms are the basis for everything in the universe.

*Q: What are the three basic parts of an atom?:*

- \_\_\_\_\_ = "-" negative charge
- \_\_\_\_\_ = "+" positive charge
- \_\_\_\_\_ = neutral (a charge of zero)

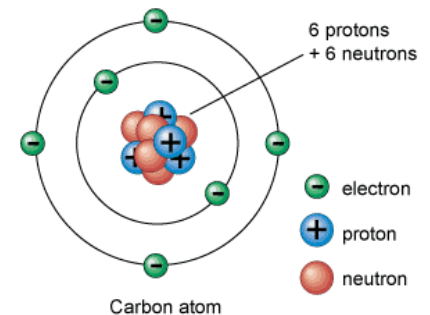
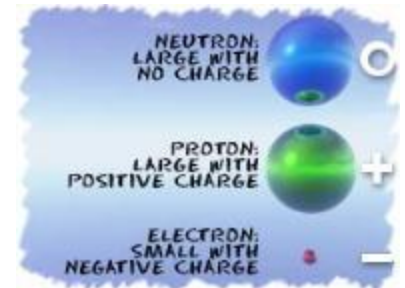
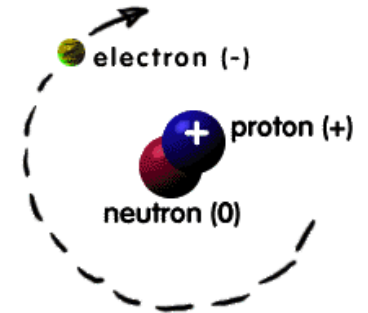
The thing that makes each element unique is the number of protons, since the number of neutrons and electrons can vary.

**Protons** and **neutrons** always in the center of atom (the nucleus).

**Electrons** are found whizzing around nucleus in areas called orbitals.

*Q: If there is an equal number of electrons and protons in an atom, what is its charge?*

IT'S LIKE THIS...



**NERDY SCIENCE JOKE:** A neutron walks into a bar and asks "How much for a drink?"

*Q: What does the bartender tell him?*

# Chemical Bonding and Electron Valences

The electrons in an atom are located at different **energy levels**.

Electrons in the highest energy level are called **valence electrons**.

Number of valence electrons governs an atom's bonding behavior.

*Q: What is the **max number** of valence electrons for a full valence shell?*

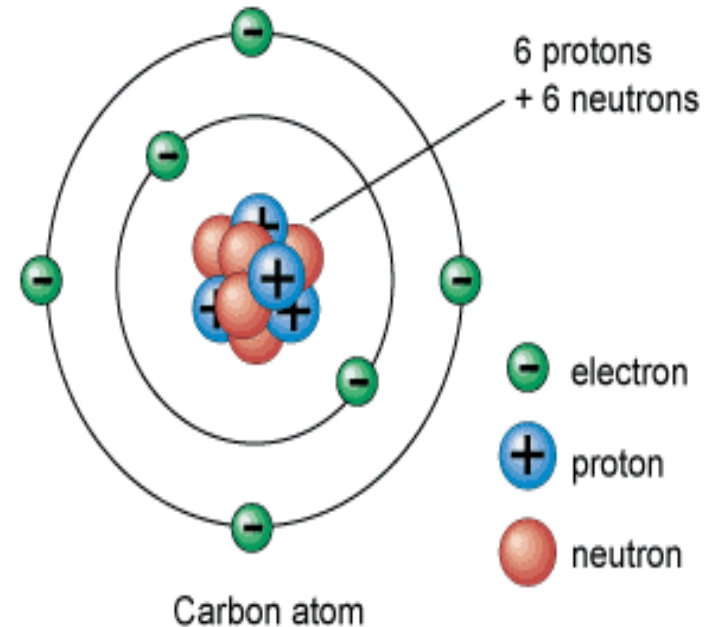
Atoms are much more stable, or less reactive, with a full valence shell.

This stability can be achieved one of two ways:

- \_\_\_\_\_ bond

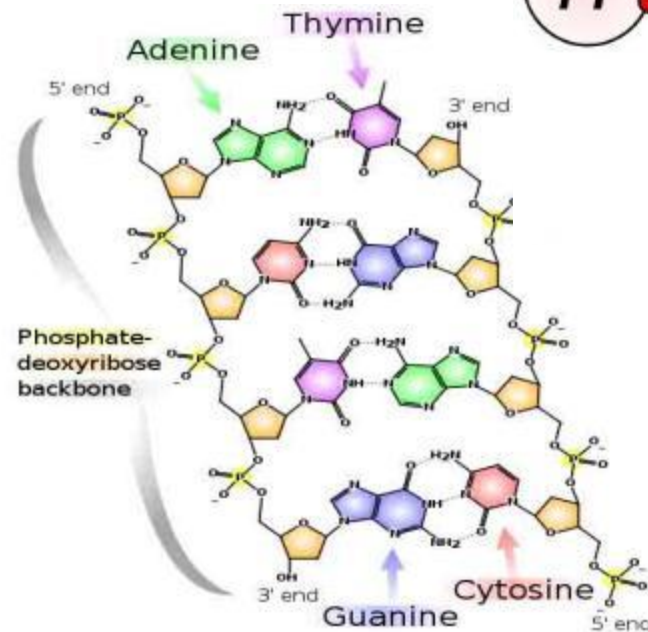
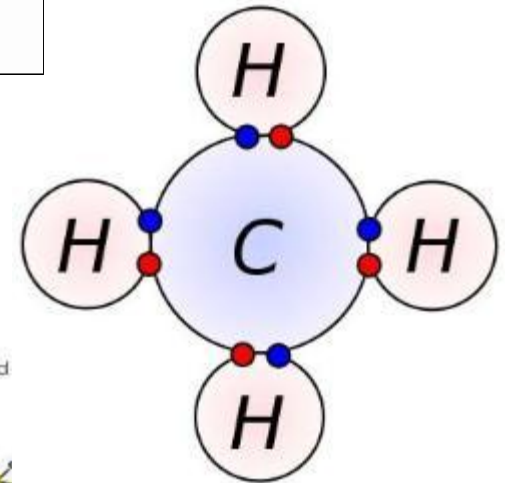
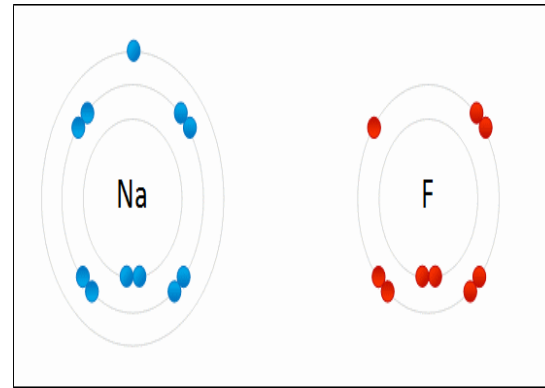
- \_\_\_\_\_ bond

By moving electrons, the two atoms become linked. This is known as **chemical bonding**.



# Three Main Types of Chemical Bonds:

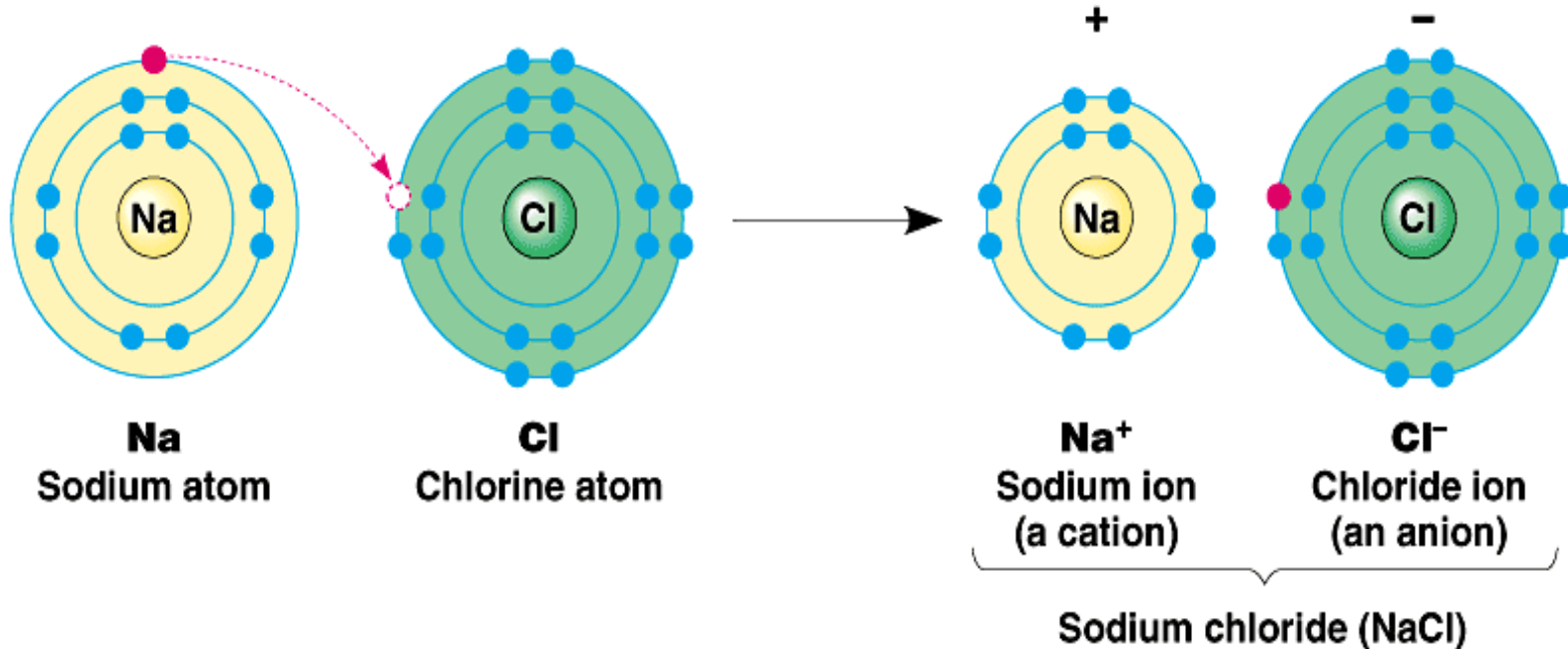
1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_



# Bonds

Involves transfer of electrons between two atoms.

*Found mainly ... inorganic compounds.*



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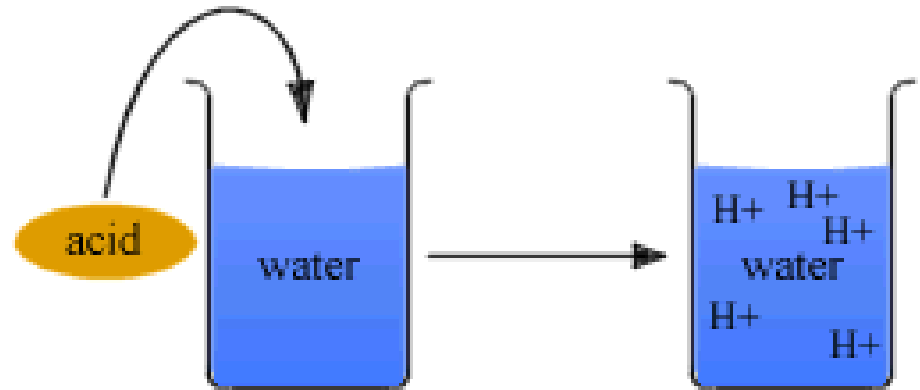
**Ion** = an atom or group of atoms which have lost or gained one or more electrons, making them negatively or positively charged.

Q: What are positively charged ions (+) called? \_\_\_\_\_

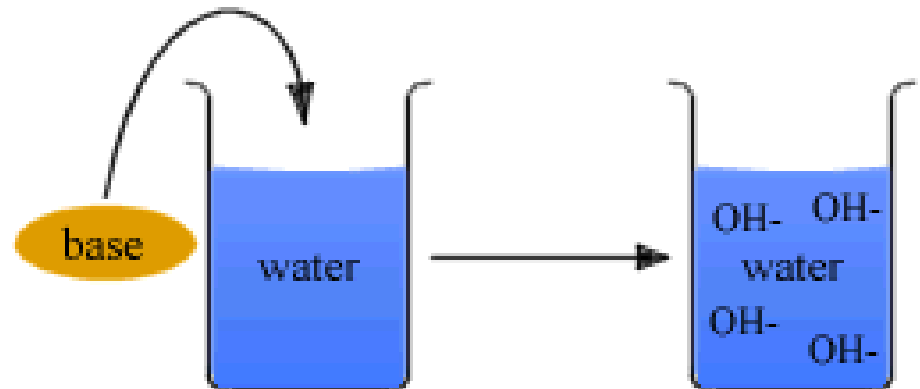
Q: What are negatively charged ions (-) called? \_\_\_\_\_

# Ions: Acids & Bases

An \_\_\_\_\_ is any ionic compound that releases \_\_\_\_\_ (H<sup>+</sup>) in solution.



A \_\_\_\_\_ is any ionic compound that releases \_\_\_\_\_ (-OH) in solution.



# Measurements of Acidity & Alkalinity (pH)

*Acidity of a solution* > measured by concentration of hydrogen ions ( $H^+$ ).

pH ranges: 0 (very \_\_\_\_\_) to 14 (very \_\_\_\_\_).

Change in just one unit of scale = tenfold change in  $H^+$  concentration.

If concentration of  $H^+ = OH^-$  ... neutral.



# Ions & Acids

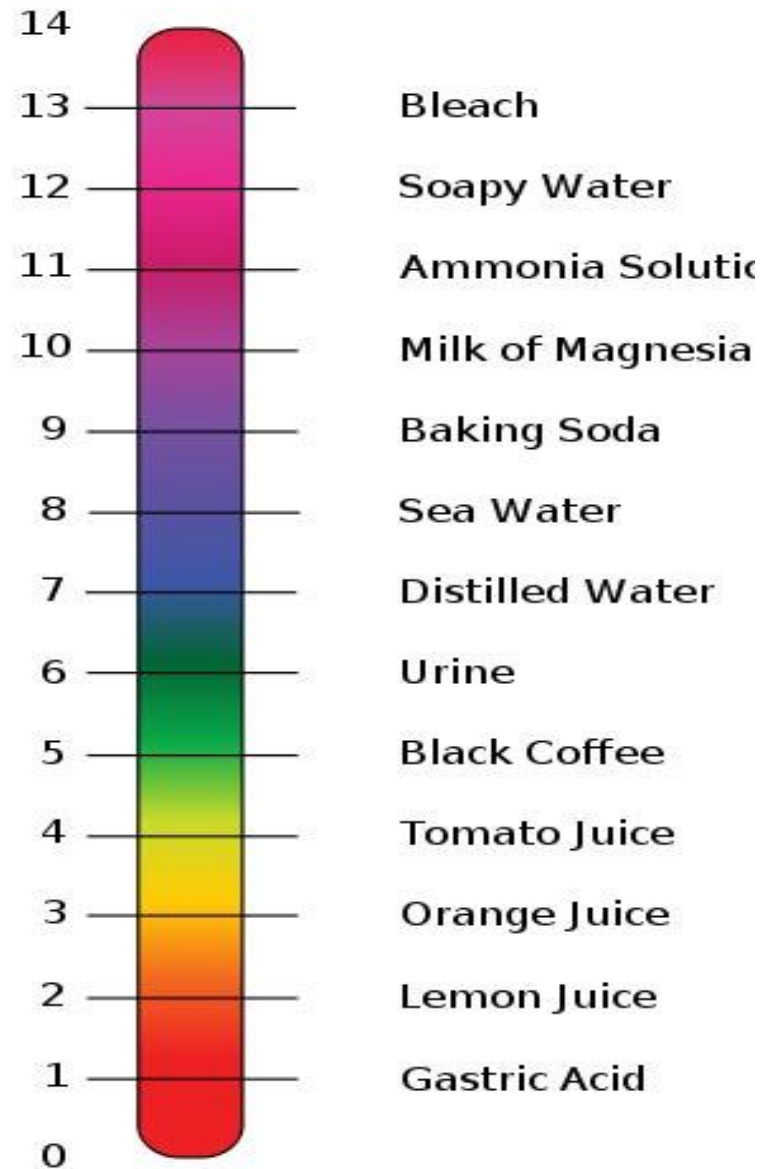
An **acid** is any ionic compound that releases hydrogen ions ( $H^+$ ) in solution.

Weak acids have a sour taste.

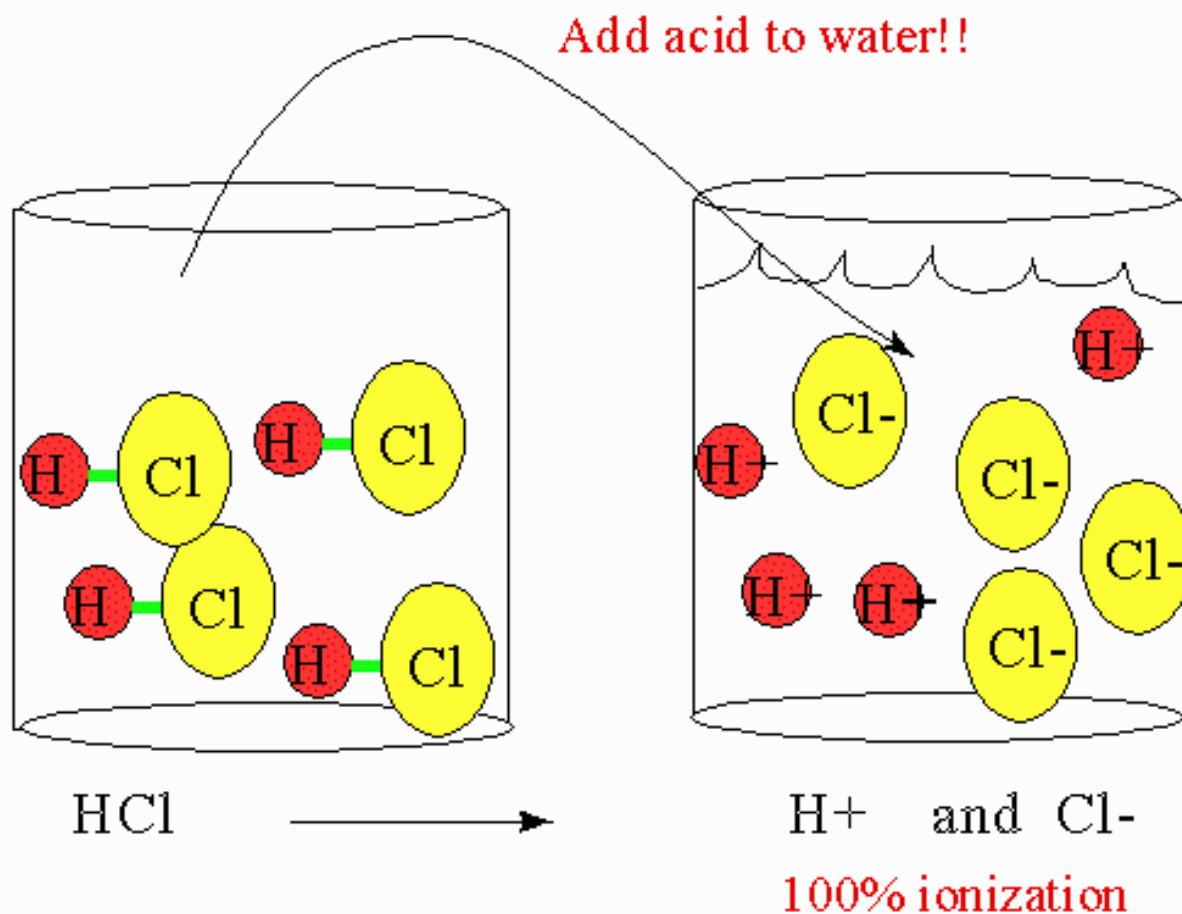
Strong acids are highly corrosive (So don't go around taste-testing acids.)

## Examples:

- **Ascorbic acid** ( $C_6H_8O_6$ , Vitamin C)
- **Citric acid** ( $C_6H_8O_7$ , a weak organic acid in citrus fruits)
- **Phosphoric acid** ( $H_3PO_4$ , in pop...this stuff is also used to remove rust...hmmm)

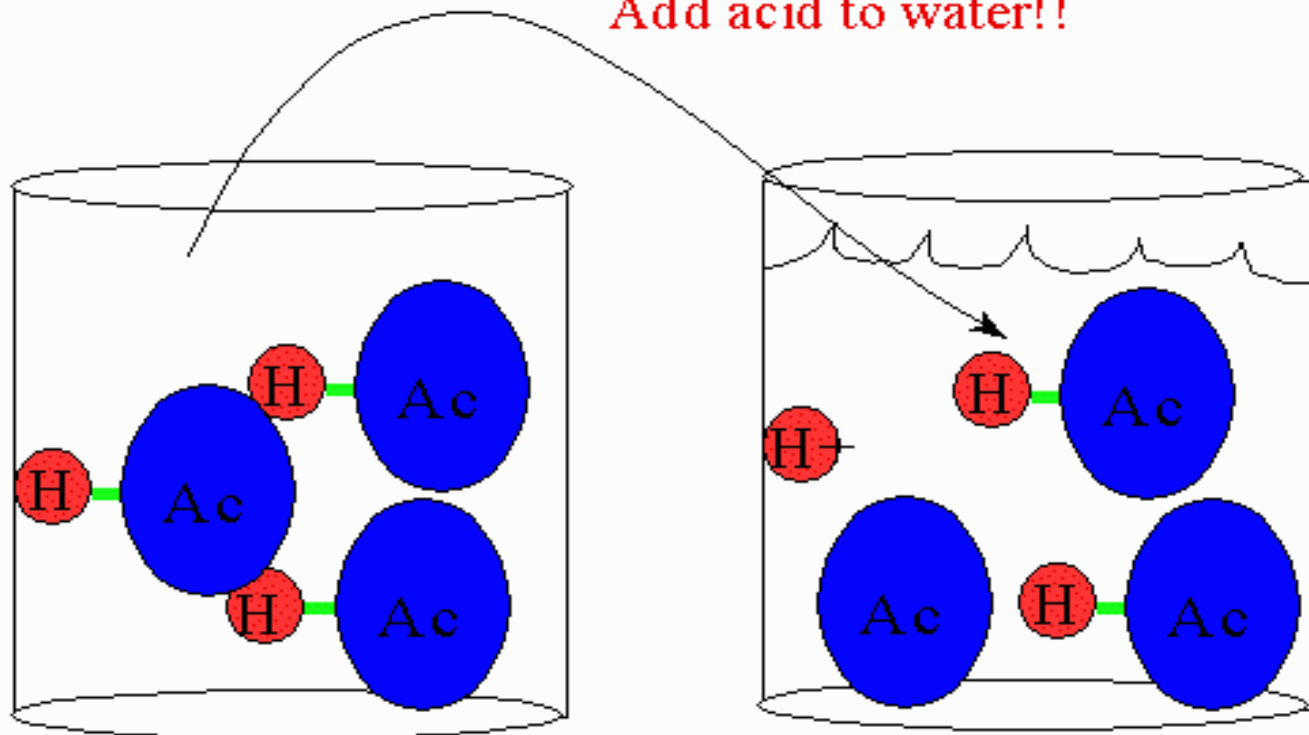


Strong acids completely dissociate in water.



Weak acids DO NOT completely dissociate in water.

Add acid to water!!



HAc

HAc = acetic acid =  $\text{H}-\text{O}-\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}}-\text{CH}_3$

H<sup>+</sup> and Ac and HAc

partial ionization

# Ions & Bases

A base is an ionic compound that releases hydroxyl ions ( $\text{OH}^-$ ) in solution.

Bases are also called \_\_\_\_\_ substances.

Some general properties of bases include:

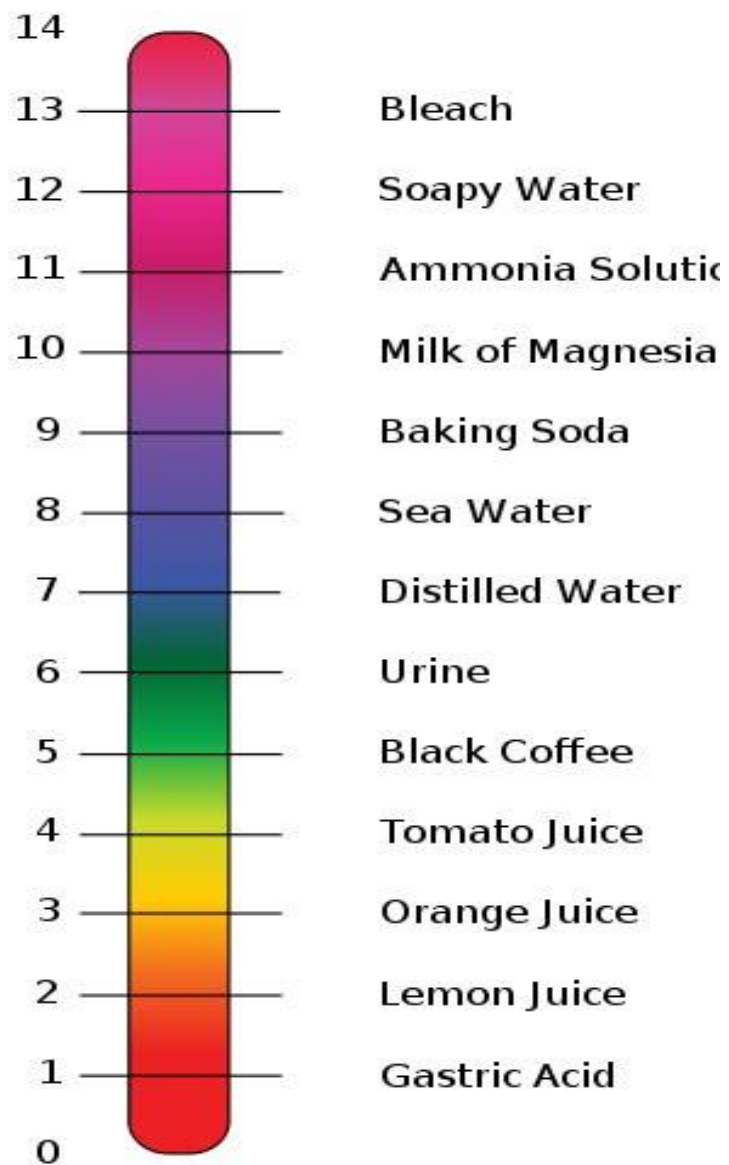
**Taste:** Bitter taste (opposed to sour taste of acids and sweetness of aldehydes and ketones).

**Touch:** Slimy or soapy feel on fingers.

**Reactivity:** Strong bases are caustic on organic matter, react violently with acidic substances.

## Examples:

- **Sodium hydroxide**,  $\text{NaOH}$ , of lye or caustic soda used in oven cleaners.
- **Magnesium hydroxide**,  $\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2$ , also known as milk of magnesia, a weak base used in antacids and laxatives.



# Ions & \_\_\_\_\_

Compounds that dissociate in water and produce cations other than  $H^+$  and anions other than  $OH^-$  are called **salts**.

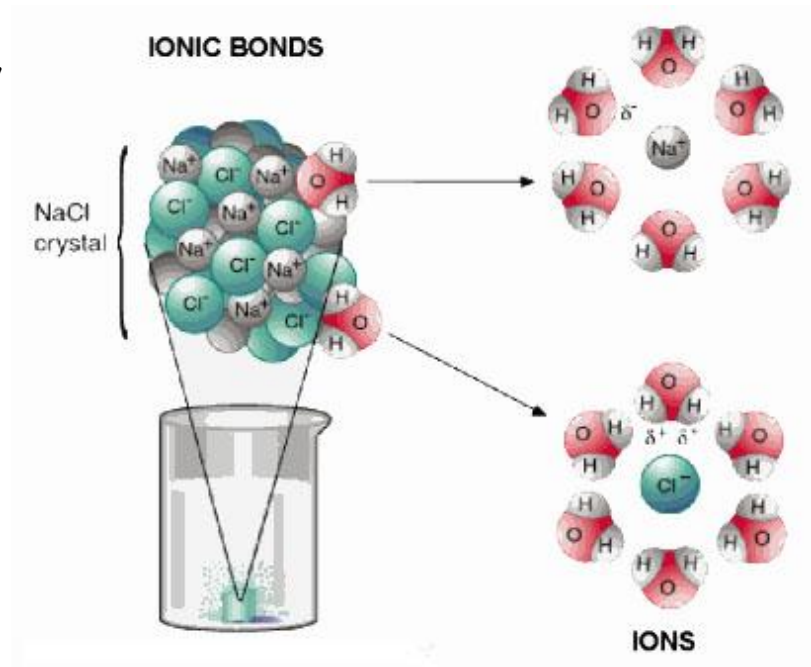


The most familiar salt is **sodium chloride**, the principal component of **common table salt**.

**Other examples of salts:**

Baking soda ( $NaHCO_3$ )

Epsom Salts ( $MgSO_4$ )



# Salts: The Role of \_\_\_\_\_

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- Certain salts, called buffers, can combine with excess hydrogen (H<sup>+</sup>) or hydroxyl (OH<sup>-</sup>) ions.
- Produce substances less acidic or alkaline.
- *Example: Antacids like Tums are buffers made of the salt calcium carbonate (CaCO<sub>3</sub>).*



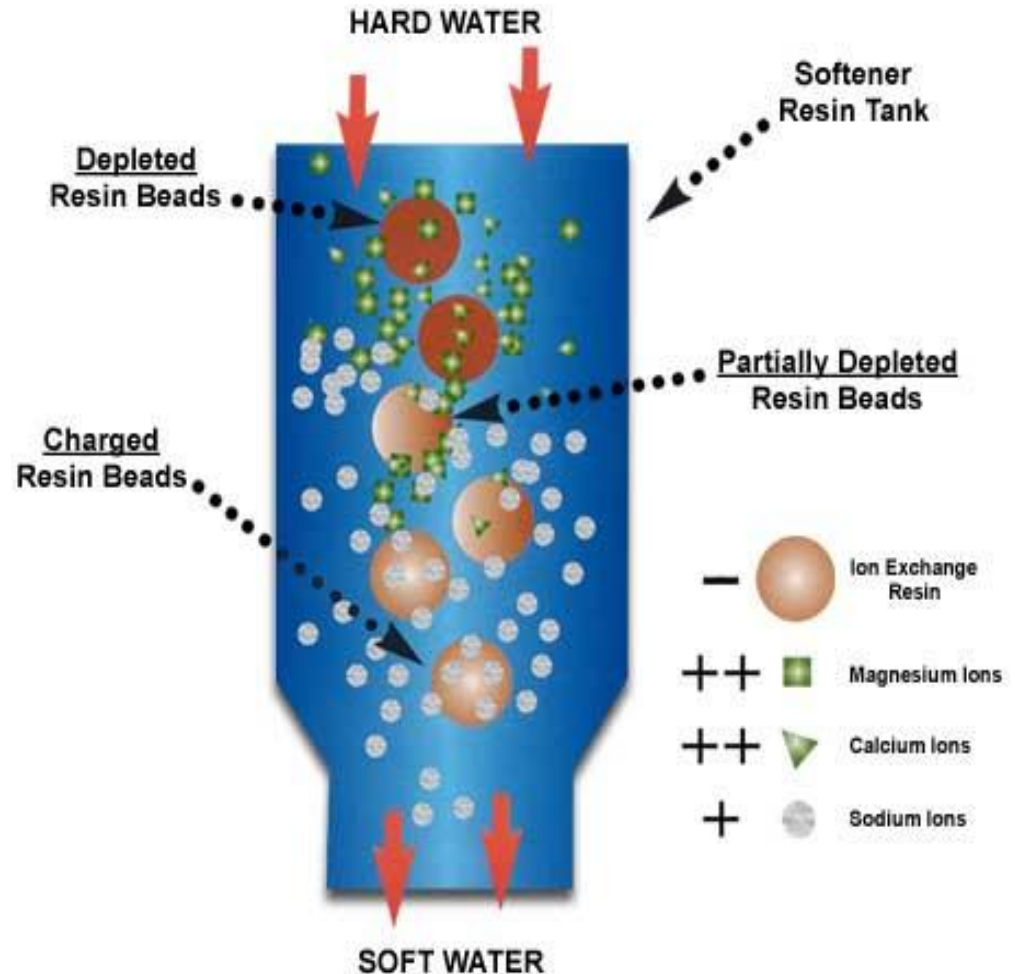
# Reactions Involving Ions

*Remember...Ion* = an atom which has lost or gained one or more electrons, so it's negatively or positively charged.

## The Principle of

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is a common water softening method.



# Lets use a Branganalogy to help us Understand the Concept of Ion Exchange...

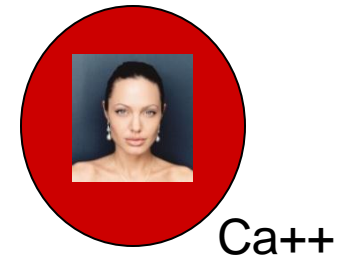
1. Brad Pitt is a negatively charged resin bead



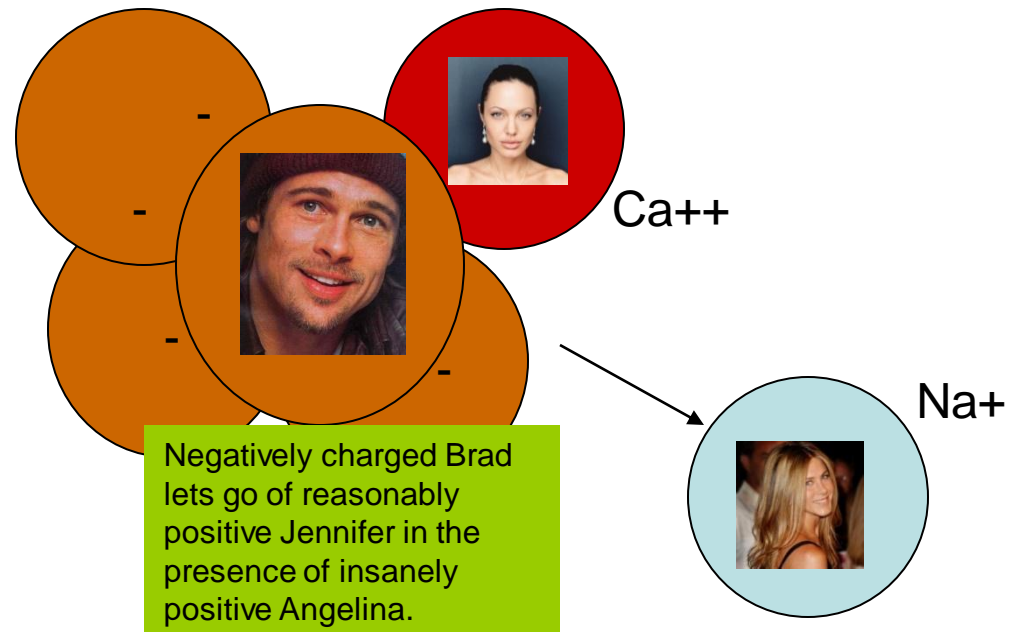
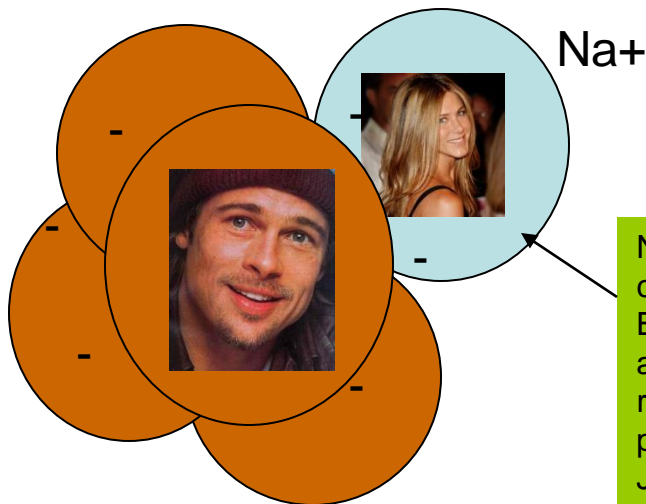
2. Jennifer Anniston is a positively charged Sodium ion



3. Angelina Jolie is a positively charged Calcium Ion



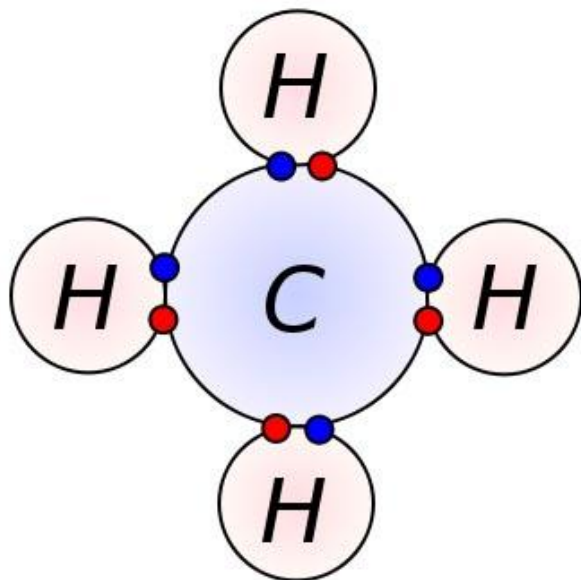
Now lets say that 'positiveness' equates with 'drop-dead gorgeousness'



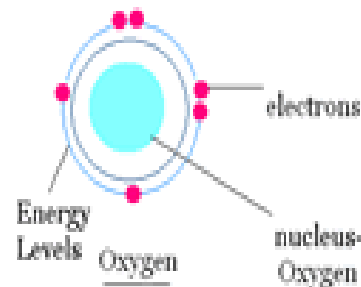
# Bonds

**Covalent Bonds:** Involve the sharing of a pair of electrons between two atoms.

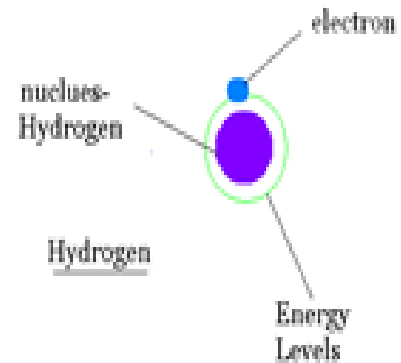
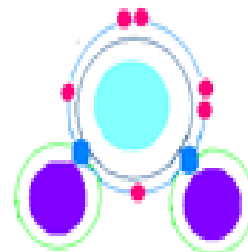
*Found mainly ... organic compounds*



- Electron from hydrogen
- Electron from carbon



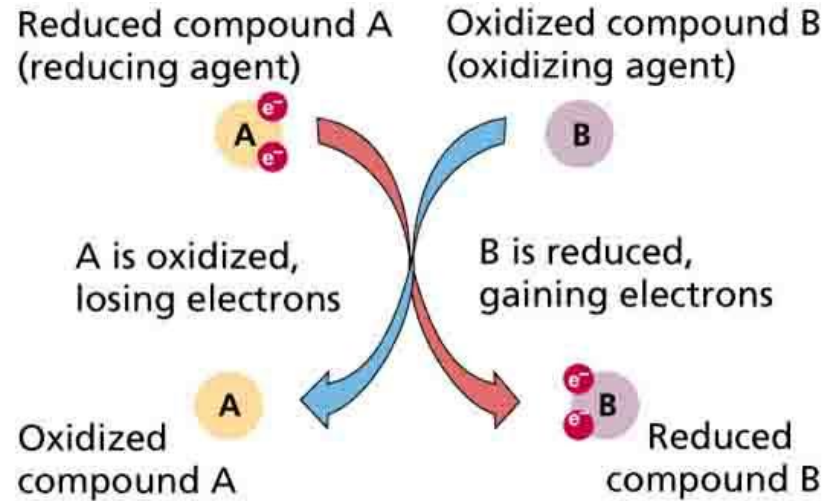
If combined you get...



Because the Oxygen and Hydrogen are sharing two electrons. It has two have two Hydrogen Atoms , because Hydrogen only has one electron.

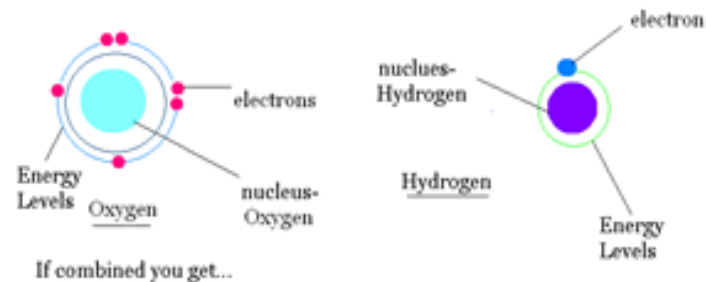
# Oxidation - Reduction Reaction

- Or **Redox** reaction = chemical reactions in which electrons are **gained, lost** (*Q: What kind of bond?*) or **shared** (*Q: What kind of bond?*) in a chemical reaction.



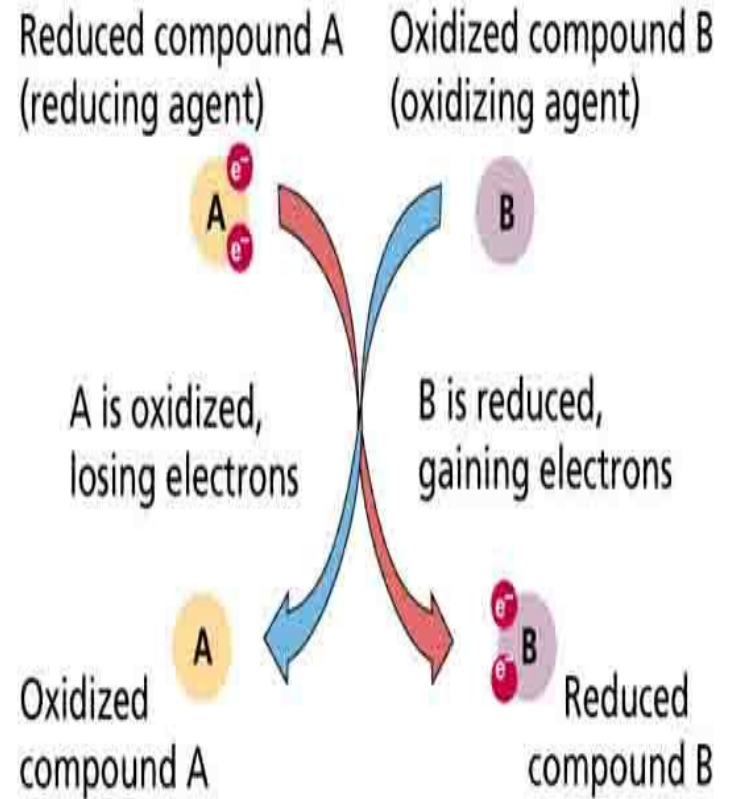
- \_\_\_\_\_ describes the loss of electrons by a molecule, atom or ion.

- \_\_\_\_\_ describes the gain of electrons by a molecule, atom or ion.



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# Oil Rig



# Bonds



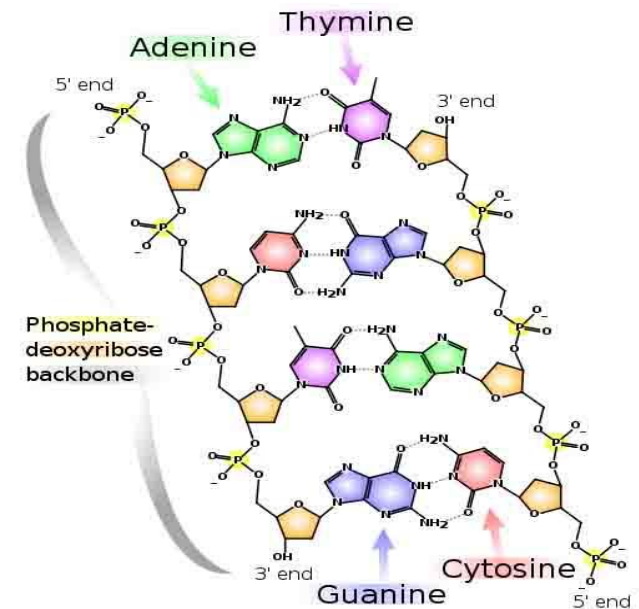
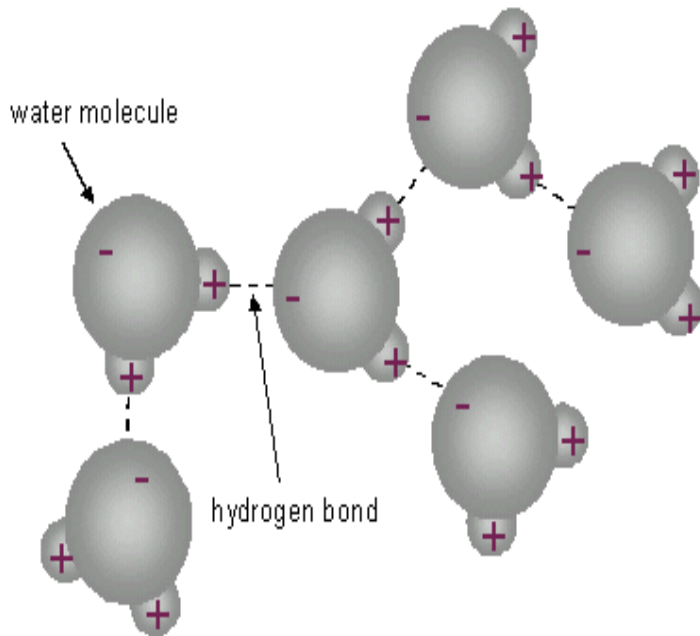
**Hydrogen Bonds:** When an atom of hydrogen is attracted to two atoms instead of only one.

Hydrogen bonds attract molecules to each other, but do not technically bond atoms together.

Bonding electrons are shared unequally by the hydrogen and oxygen atoms:

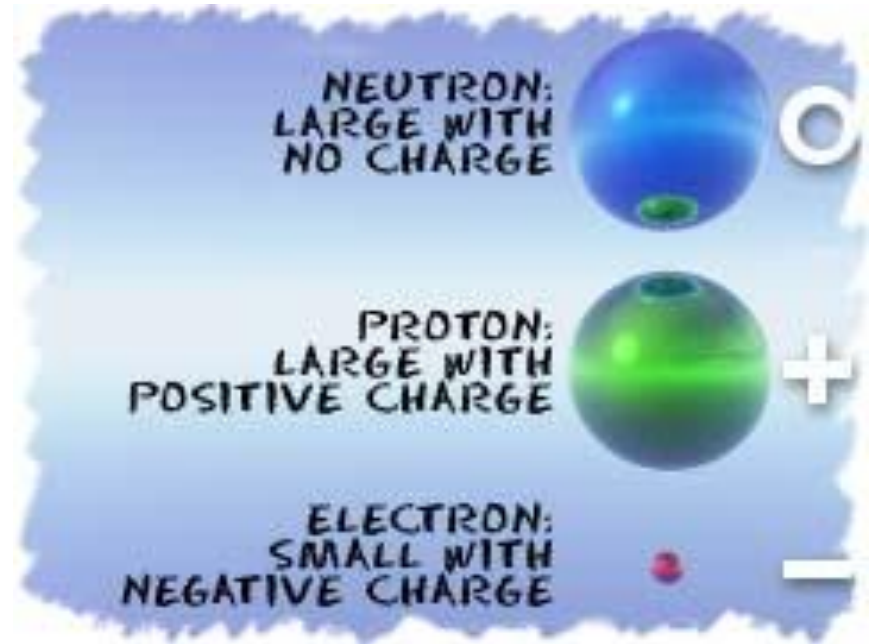
- negative charge (-) forms at \_\_\_\_\_ end
- positive charge (+) forms at \_\_\_\_\_ end

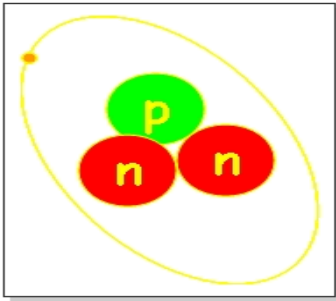
When the electrons in a covalent bond are not equally shared, the molecule is \_\_\_\_\_.



Found in water,  
proteins & DNA

# Neutrons





# What is an \_\_\_\_\_?

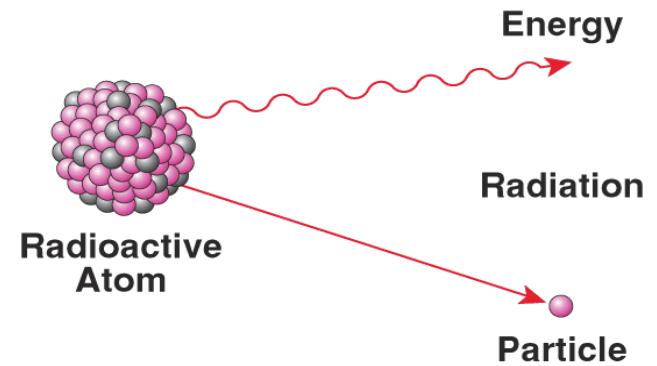
## ***Normal Atoms***

- Except for hydrogen (*1 proton / no neutrons*), every atomic nucleus in normal matter is made of both protons and neutrons.
- Typically, the number of protons and neutrons is the same.
- Protons in the nucleus are positively charged, and repel each other.
- Neutrons are neutral. They separate the protons slightly, making the atom stable.

## ***Isotopes***

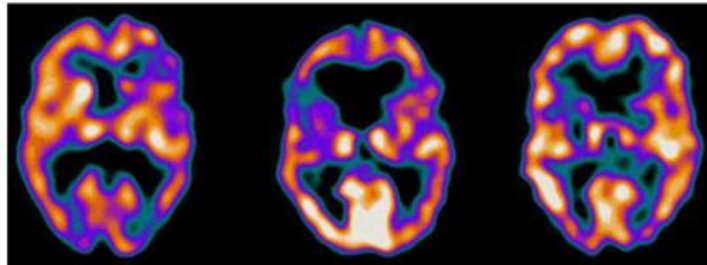
- An **isotope** is a variant of an element, with a different # of \_\_\_\_\_ than is typical.
- This makes a nucleus unstable.

# Isotopes & Radioactivity

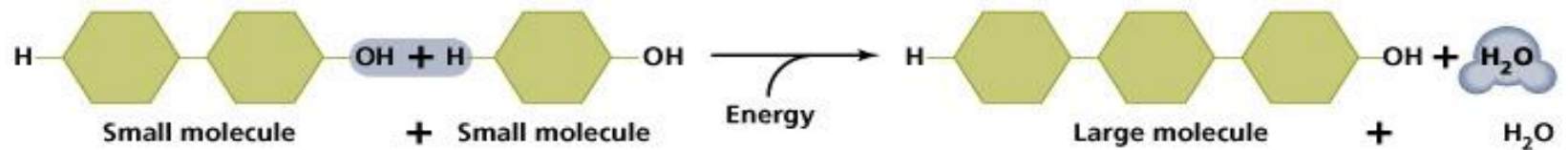


- Isotope is \_\_\_\_\_ if nucleus is unstable.
- Most isotopes disintegrate spontaneously with the release of energy by processes of *nuclear or radioactive decay*.
- When the nucleus changes in structure, energy and/or subatomic particles are given off.
- Other than radioactivity, isotopes behaves similarly to the natural variant.
- When controlled, radioactive isotopes can be valuable medical tools. (Ex. Gamma camera can produce images of soft tissue when radiopharmaceuticals are injected into or ingested by patient.)

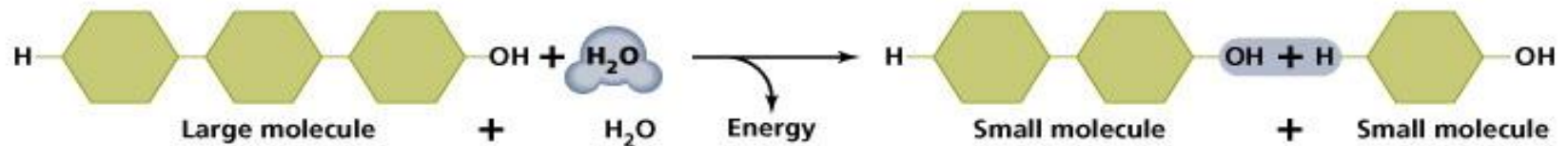
1. Schizophrenic female
2. Female with depression
3. Healthy female



# Simple Reactions Types



(a) Dehydration synthesis



(b) Hydrolysis

# Synthesis, Decomposition & Exchange Reactions

## \_\_\_\_\_ Reaction (Combination or Anabolic Reaction)

When two or more substances combine to form a single compound.

Requires energy in order to take place

*The general form of a direct combination reaction is:*

**A + B → AB** where A and B are elements or compounds, and AB is a compound consisting of A and B.

*Examples of combination reactions include:*

$2\text{Na} + \text{Cl}_2 \rightarrow 2 \text{NaCl}$  (formation of table salt)

$4 \text{Fe} + 3 \text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2 \text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$  (iron rusting)



## \_\_\_\_\_ Reaction (Catabolic Reaction)

The opposite of a composition reaction. A compound is broken down.

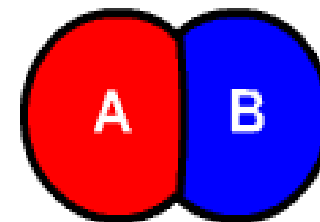
The generalized reaction formula for chemical decomposition is:

**AB → A + B**

## \_\_\_\_\_ Reactions (Transfer Reaction)

Atoms are moved from one molecule to another.

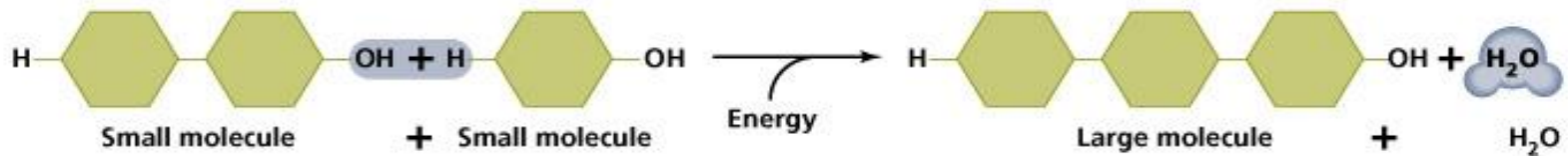
**A + BC → AB + C**



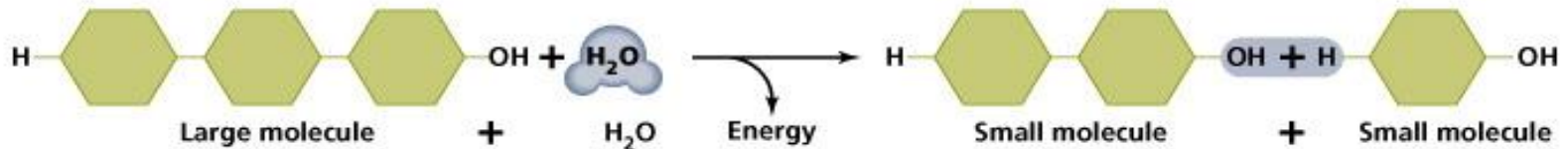
**Q:** Based on the reaction types we just discussed, how would you categorize the reactions below?

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**Reaction**



**(a) Dehydration**



**(b) Hydrolysis**

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**Reaction**

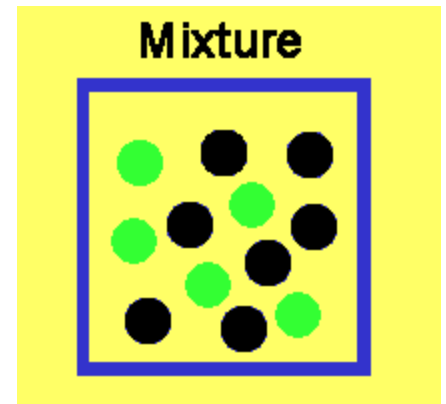
# Mixtures, Compounds & Solutions



# Mixtures & Compounds

\_\_\_\_\_ = **Physical** combination of two or more pure substances (i.e., elements or compounds).

\_\_\_\_\_ = **Chemical** combination of two or more pure substances in a fixed, definite proportion.



## Examples:

### **Mixture** - Iron & Sulfur

Iron filings may be mixed with powdered sulfur in any proportion. The two components are easily separated by means of a magnet, The magnet will draw out the iron from the mixture.



The components of a mixture usually can be separated by physical means such as distillation, evaporation, etc.

### **Compound** - Iron sulfide (Pyrite or Fools Gold)

However, if:

- seven parts iron filings or powder are mixed with four parts powdered sulfur
- mixture is heated to a red glow
- iron and sulfur form a compound - iron sulfide; chemically combined, not readily separated.



# Solutions

**Solutions** are mixtures in which one substance is dissolved in another.

**Solutions** have two parts: **solute** and **solvent**

*Q: Which is the substance that is dissolved?*

So the substance that does the dissolving is called the \_\_\_\_\_.

*(Remember water, the 'universal solvent'?)*

\_\_\_\_\_ - A measure of how much of a given substance will dissolve in a liquid.



A substance that does not dissolve in water is called **insoluble**.

*Example: Oil is insoluble in water.*

A substance that does dissolve in water is called **soluble**.

*Example: Sugar is soluble in water.*



# Confused?

Here are some links to fun resources that further explain Chemistry:

- [Inorganic Chemistry Main Page](#) on the Virtual Cell Biology Classroom of [Science Prof Online](#).
- ["She Blinded Me With Science"](#) music video Thomas Dolby.
- ["What Kind of Bonds Are These?"](#) song and slide show by Mark Rosengarten.
- [Chemical Bond Formation](#) animated science tutorial.
- ["Meet the Elements"](#) music video by They Might Be Giants.
- [Redox Reactions](#) video lecture by Kahnacademy.
- [Chem4Kids](#) website by Rader.
- [Neutron Dance](#) ...a so-bad-its-good '80s music video by The Pointer Sisters.

(You must be in PPT slideshow view to click on links.)



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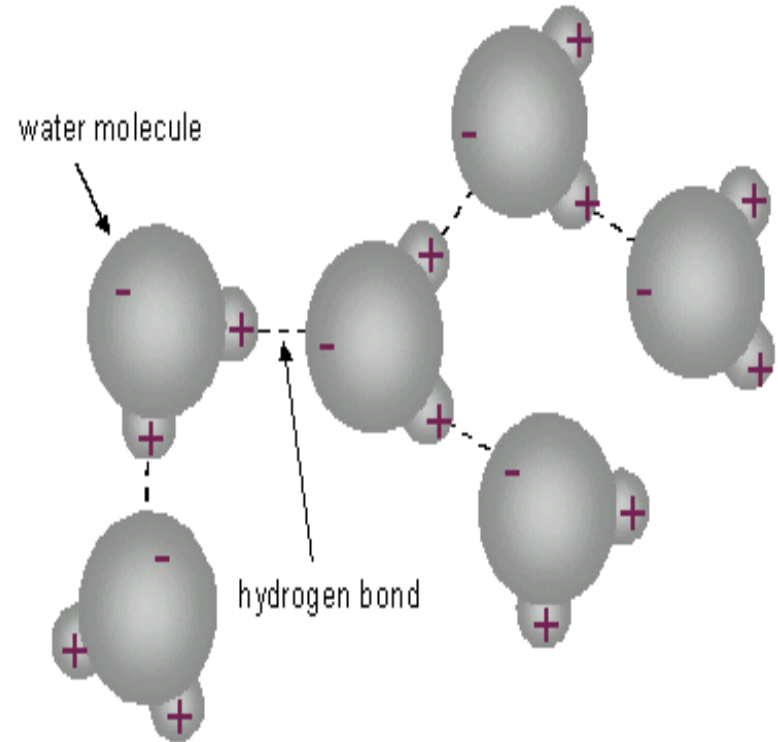
Want to see me sing the [Element Song](#)?

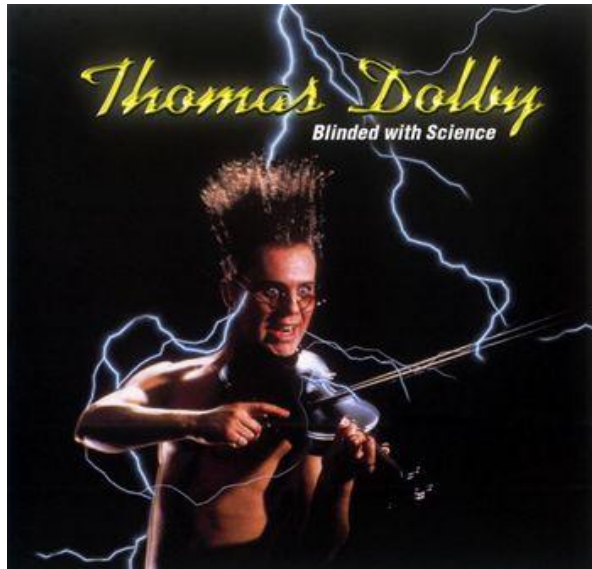


# Assignment

See the [ScienceProfOnline](#) Virtual Cell Biology Classroom: **Inorganic Chemistry Lecture** for a printable Word .doc of this assignment.

- At the end of most lectures, I will give you some type of in-class assignment or homework to evaluate your understanding of that day's topic.
- This assignment will always be open-book.
- Today, if assigned, you will be completing an *essay question* on the topic of **Inorganic Chemistry**.





Are you feeling blinded by science?

*Do yourself a favor. Use the...*

## Virtual Cell Biology Classroom (VCBC)!

The VCBC is full of resources to help you succeed,  
including:



- practice test questions
- review questions
- study guides and learning objectives
- PowerPoints on other topics

You can access the VCBC by going to the Science Prof Online website  
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