

HW03: Related to the Electronic Structure of Bonds

Table: Electronegativity of Elements

Explore the chemical elements through this periodic table

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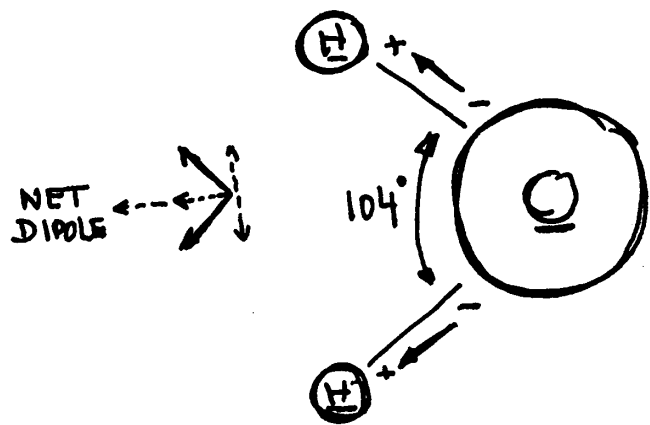
The standard form of the periodic table shown here includes periods (shown horizontally) and groups (shown vertically). The properties of elements in groups are similar in some respects to each other.

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Li	Be	B													C	N	O	F
1.0	1.5	2.0													2.5	3.0	3.5	4.0
Na	Mg	Al													Si	P	S	Cl
0.9	1.2	1.5													1.8	2.1	2.5	3.0
K	Ca	Sc		Ti	V	Cr	Mn		Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br
0.8	1.0	1.3		1.5	1.6	1.6	1.5		1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.6	1.6	1.8	2.0	2.4	2.8
Rb	Sr	Y		Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc		Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I
0.8	1.0	1.2		1.4	1.6	1.8	1.9		2.2	2.2	2.2	1.9	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.1	2.5
Cs	Ba	La-Lu		Hf	Ta	W	Re		Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At
0.7	0.9	1.0-1.2		1.3	1.5	1.7	1.9		2.2	2.2	2.2	2.4	1.9	1.8	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.2
Fr	Ra	Ac		Th	Pa	U	Np-No											
0.7	0.9	1.1		1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4-1.3											

1. Explain why the middle columns in the first three rows are empty. (They start to fill in 4th row downwards)
2. Why is metallic bonding prevalent on the left hand side of the periodic table.
3. In metallic bonding atoms give up electrons in general to complete their shell. For example Al with has three electrons, gives then up (approximately) to the crystal. All atoms then share the donated electrons to create a metallic bond.

The question is that Al atoms will now have a charge of Al^{+++} on them. Normally if these ions were to be by themselves they would repel each other. How is this effect counteracted to create cohesion amongst the atoms.

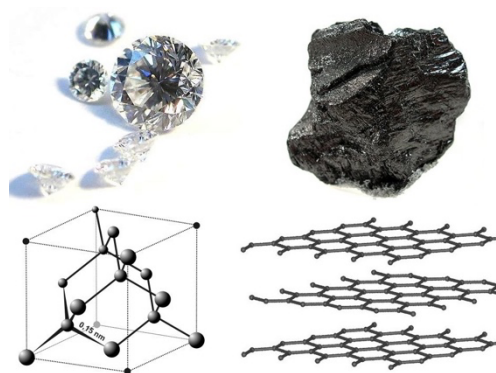
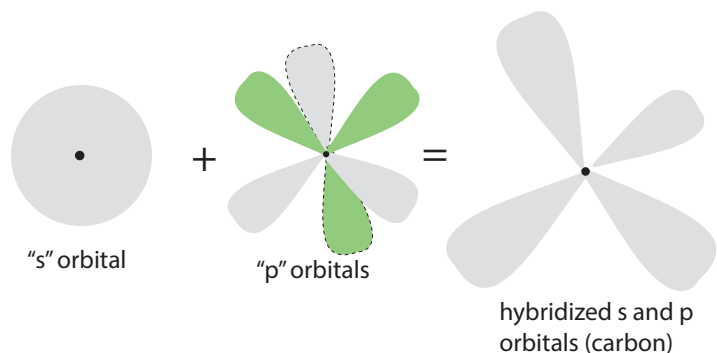
4. The water molecule has the structure given below. The length of the O-H bond is 96 pm and the angle between the OH bonds is 104° . The experimental value of the dipole moment of a water molecule is 1.855μ . Calculate the % ionic character of the OH bond.



5. The NaCl molecule in the gas phase had a dipole moment of about 10μ . Why is this number so large (qualitatively speaking)?

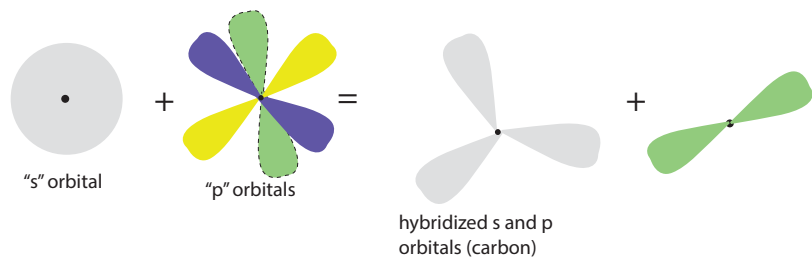
Even though the molecule is polar, the salt crystal is non-polar. Why?

6. The s and p orbitals can hybridize as follows



The above is called sp^3 hybridization. Indeed this is the structure of diamond - it has tetragonal symmetry.

However, carbon also exists as graphite which is a planar structure. This arises from sp^2 hybridization of s and p orbitals as follows



The sp^2 hybridization leads to the planar structure with three fold symmetry. The carbon-carbon bond length in diamond is 154 pm but it is 142 pm in graphite.. can you give an argument for this behavior.