| Chapter 6
Inorganic and Organic Compounds: Names and Formulas
6.1 Octet Rule and Ions

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## Octet Rule

## An octet

- is 8 valence electrons
- is associated with the stability of the noble gases
- does not occur with He, which is stable with two valence electrons (duet)


## Valence electrons

$\mathrm{He} \quad 1 \mathbf{s}^{2}$
$\mathrm{Ne} 1 s^{2} 2 s^{2} 2 p^{6}$
2

Ar $1 s^{2} 2 s^{2} 2 p^{6} 3 s^{2} 3 p^{6}$
$\mathrm{Kr} 1 s^{2} 2 s^{2} 2 p^{6} 3 s^{2} 3 p^{6} 4 s^{2} 3 d^{10} 4 p^{6}$

## Forming Octets

Atoms acquire octets

- to become more stable
- by losing, gaining, or sharing valence electrons
- by forming ionic or covalent bonds



## Ionic and Covalent Bonds

## Ionic bonds involve

- loss of electrons by a metal
- gain of electrons by a nonmetal

Covalent bonds involve

- a sharing of electrons


Loss and gain of electrons


Ionic bond


Sharing electrons


Covalent bond

M is a metal
Nm is a nonmetal

## Metals Form Positive Ions

Metals form positive ions (CATIONS)

- by a loss of their valence electrons
- with the electron configuration of their nearest noble gas
- that have fewer electrons than protons.
Group 1A (1) metals $\longrightarrow$ ion $^{+}$
Group 2A (2) metals $\longrightarrow$ ion $^{2+}$
Group 3A (13) metals $\longrightarrow$ ion $^{3+}$


Loss and gain of electrons

## Formation of a Sodium Ion, $\mathrm{Na}^{+}$

Sodium achieves an octet by losing its one valence electron.

Name<br>Electron-dot symbol

Protons

Electrons

Electron configuration
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Sodium atom
Na

$11 p^{+}$

$11 e^{-}$

Sodium ion<br>$\mathrm{Na}^{+}$

Loss of valence electron
$11 p^{+}$
$10 e^{-}$

## Charge of Sodium Ion, $\mathrm{Na}^{+}$

With the loss of its valence electron, the sodium ion has a

Sodium ion $\mathrm{Na}^{+}$ $1+$ charge.

$10 e^{-}$

$$
1 s^{2} 2 s^{2} 2 p^{6}
$$

## Formation of $\mathrm{Mg}^{2+}$

- Magnesium achieves an octet by losing its two valence electrons.



## Charge of Magnesium Ion, $\mathrm{Mg}^{2+}$

With the loss of two valence
Magnesium ion
$\mathrm{Mg}^{2+}$
electrons, magnesium forms a positive ion with a $2+$ charge.

Mg atom
$12 p^{+}$
$\frac{12 e^{-}}{0}$
$\mathrm{Mg}^{2+}$ ion
$12 p^{+}$
$10 e^{-}$
2+
$12 p^{+}$

$10 e^{-}$
$1 s^{2} 2 s^{2} 2 p^{6}$

## Learning Check

Select the correct answer for aluminum.
A. The number of valence electrons is $\qquad$ .

1) $1 e^{-}$
2) $2 e^{-}$
3) $3 e^{-}$
B. The electron change for the octet is $\qquad$ .
4) loss of $3 e^{-} \quad 2$ ) gain of $3 e^{-} 3$ ) gain of $5 e^{-}$
C. The ionic charge of the aluminum ion is $\qquad$ .
5) 3-
6) 5-
7) $3^{+}$
D. The symbol for the aluminum ion is $\qquad$ .
8) $\mathrm{Al}^{3+}$
9) $\mathrm{Al}^{3-}$
10) $\mathrm{Al}^{+}$

## Seleqt the correct answer for aluminum.

The number of valence electrons is $\qquad$ -

1) $1 e^{-}$
2) $2 e^{-}$ خ̀「3) $3 e^{-}$


## Seleqt the correct answer for aluminum.

The electron change for the octet is .
(1) loss of $3 e^{-}$
2) gain of $3 e^{-}$
3) gain of $5 e^{-}$


## Seleqt the correct answer for aluminum.

## The ionic charge of the aluminum ion is

1) 3-
2) 5-
(ᄎ3) $3^{+}$

## Seleqt the correct answer for aluminum.

 The symbol for the aluminum ion is $\qquad$ .is1) $\mathrm{Al}^{3+}$
2) $\mathrm{Al}^{3-}$
3) $\mathrm{Al}^{+}$


## Solution

Select the correct answer for aluminum:
A. The number of valence electrons is 3) $3 e^{-}$
B. The electron change for the octet is 1) loss of $3 e^{-}$
C. The ionic charge of the aluminum ion is 3) $3^{+}$
D. The symbol for the aluminum ion is

1) $\mathrm{Al}^{3+}$

## Formation of Negative Ions

In ionic compounds, nonmetals (FORM ANIONS)

- achieve an octet arrangement
- gain electrons
- form negatively charged ions with $3-$ - 2 -, or 1 - charges


## Formation of Chloride Ion, $\mathrm{Cl}^{-}$

- Chlorine achieves an octet by adding an electron to its valence electrons.

Name<br>Electron-dot symbol



Protons


Electrons
$17 e^{-}$

Electron configuration $\quad 1 s^{2} 2 s^{2} 2 p^{6} 3 s^{2} 3 p^{5}$
$1 s^{2} 2 s^{2} 2 p^{6} 3 s^{2} 3 p^{6}$

## Charge of a Chloride Ion, $\mathrm{Cl}^{-}$

A chloride ion forms

- when Cl gains one electron

Chloride ion
$: \because C_{-}^{-}$

- with a 1-charge

Chlorine atom
$17 p^{+}$
$\frac{17 e^{-}}{0}$

Chloride ion
$17 p^{+}$
$\frac{18 e^{-}}{1-}$
$17 p^{+}$
4 $18 e^{-}$
$1 s^{2} 2 s^{2} 2 p^{6} 3 s^{2} 3 p^{6}$

## Some Typical Ionic Charges

TABLE 6.1 Formulas and Names of Some Common Monatomic Ions

| Group <br> Number | Formula <br> of lon | Name <br> of lon | Group <br> Number | Formula <br> of lon | Name <br> of lon |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Metals |  |  | Nonmetals |  |

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## Ionic Charge from Group Numbers

## Ions

- achieve the electron configuration of their nearest noble gas
- of metals in Group 1A (1), Group 2A (2), or Group 3A (13) have positive 1+. 2+, or 3+ charges
- of nonmetals in Groups 5A (15), 6A (16), or 7A (17) have negative $3-$, $2-$, or 1 - charges

The charge of an ion is obtained by subtracting 8 or 18 from its Group number.
Example: Group 6A (16) $=6-8=2-$ or $16-18=2-$

## Some Ions and Their Nearest Noble Gases

TABLE 6.2 Examples of Monatomic lons and Their Nearest Noble Gases

|  |  | MetalsLose ValenceElectrons |  |  | Nonmetals Gain Valence Electrons |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Noble Gases |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1A } \\ & \text { (1) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 2A } \\ & \text { (2) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \mathrm{~A} \\ & \text { (13) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 5 \mathrm{~A} \\ & \text { (15) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 6A } \\ & (16) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 7A } \\ & \text { (17) } \end{aligned}$ |  | Noble Gases |
| He | $\square$ | $\mathrm{Li}^{+}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ne | $\mathrm{L}$ | $\mathrm{Na}^{+}$ | $\mathbf{M g}{ }^{\mathbf{2}}$ | $\mathrm{Al}^{3+}$ | $\mathrm{N}^{3-}$ | $\mathrm{O}^{2-}$ | $\mathbf{F}^{-}$ |  | Ne |
| Ar |  | $\mathbf{K}^{+}$ | $\mathrm{Ca}^{2+}$ |  | $\mathbf{P}^{3-}$ | $S^{2-}$ | $\mathrm{Cl}^{-}$ |  | Ar |
| Kr | $\stackrel{\square}{\square}$ | $\mathbf{R b}{ }^{+}$ | $\mathrm{Sr}^{2+}$ |  |  |  | $\mathrm{Br}^{-}$ |  | Kr |
| Xe | $\stackrel{\square}{\square}$ | Cs ${ }^{+}$ | $\mathrm{Ba}^{2+}$ |  |  |  | $\mathrm{I}^{-}$ |  | Xe |

## Learning Check

Select the correct answer for sulfur.
A. The group number for sulfur is $\qquad$ .
B. The number of valence electrons in sulfur is $\qquad$ .

1) $4 e^{-}$
2) $6 e^{-}$
3) $8 e$
C. The change in electrons for an octet requires a 1) loss of $2 e^{-}$2) gain of $2 e^{-} \quad 3$ ) gain of $4 e^{-}$
D. The ionic charge of a sulfide ion is $\qquad$ .
4) $2+$
5) $2-$
6) $4-$

## Solution

A. The group number for sulfur is 3) 6 A (16)
B. The number of valence electrons in sulfur is 2) $6 e^{-}$
C. The change in electrons for an octet requires a 2) gain of $2 e^{-}$
D. The ionic charge of a sulfide ion 2) 2

# Chapter 6 Inorganic and Organic Compounds: Names and Formulas 

### 6.2 Ionic Compounds



## Ionic Compounds

## Ionic compounds

- consist of positive and negative ions
- have attractions called ionic bonds between positively and negatively charged ions
- have high melting and boiling points
- are solids at room temperature


## Salt is an Ionic Compound

Sodium chloride (table salt) is an example of an ionic compound.


## Ionic Formulas

## An ionic formula

- consists of positively and negatively charged ions
- is neutral
- has charge balance (net charge of zero) total positive charge $=$ total negative charge
- uses subscripts to indicate the number of ions needed to give charge balance


## Charge Balance for NaCl, "Salt"

In NaCl ,

- a Na atom loses its valence electron
- a Cl atom gains an electron
- the symbol of the metal is written first followed by the symbol of the nonmetal
- the charges of the ions in the compound are not shown



## Charge Balance in NaF

- The formulas of ionic compounds are determined from the charges on the ions.
atoms ions

sodium fluorine sodium fluoride The overall charge of NaF is zero (0).

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\mathrm{Na}^{+} \quad \mathrm{F}^{-} & =\mathrm{NaF} \\
1(1+)+1(1-) & =0
\end{array}
$$

## Charge Balance $\mathrm{In} \mathrm{MgCl}_{2}$

In $\mathrm{MgCl}_{2}$

- a Mg atom loses two valence electrons
- two Cl atoms each gain one electron
- subscripts indicate the number of ions needed to give charge balance



## Charge Balance In $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{~S}$

In $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{~S}$,

- two Na atoms lose one valence electron each
- one $S$ atom gains two electrons
- subscripts show the number of ions needed to give charge balance



## Writing Ionic Formulas from Charges

Charge balance is used to write the formula for sodium nitride, a compound containing $\mathrm{Na}^{+}$and $\mathrm{N}^{3-}$.


## Formula from Ionic Charges

Write the ionic formula of the compound containing $\mathrm{Ba}^{2+}$ and $\mathrm{Cl}^{-}$.

- Write the symbols of the ions.


## $\mathbf{B a}^{2+} \mathrm{Cl}^{-}$

- Balance the charges.

$$
\begin{array}{lll}
\mathrm{Ba}^{2+} & \mathrm{Cl}^{-} \\
& \mathrm{Cl}^{-}
\end{array} \quad \text { two } \mathrm{Cl}^{-} \text {needed }
$$

- Write the ionic formula using a subscript 2 for two chloride ions that give charge balance.
$\mathrm{BaCl}_{2}$


## Learning Check

Select the correct formula for each of the following ionic compounds:
A. $\mathrm{Li}^{+}$and $\mathrm{O}^{2-}$

1) LiO
2) $\mathrm{Li}_{2} \mathrm{O}$
3) $\mathrm{LiO}_{2}$
B. $\mathrm{Al}^{3+}$ and $\mathrm{Cl}^{-}$
4) $\mathrm{AlCl}_{3}$
5) AlCl
6) $\mathrm{Al}_{3} \mathrm{Cl}$
C. $\mathrm{Mg}^{2+}$ and $\mathrm{N}^{3-}$
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { 1) } \mathrm{MgN} & \text { 2) } \mathrm{Mg}_{2} \mathrm{~N}_{3} & \text { 3) } \mathrm{Mg}_{3} \mathrm{~N}_{2}\end{array}$

## What is the chemical formula for $\mathrm{Li}^{+}$and $\mathrm{O}^{2-}$

1. LiO
2. $\mathrm{Li}_{2} \mathrm{O}$
3. $\mathrm{LiO}_{2}$


## What is the chemical formula for $\mathrm{Al}^{3+}$ and $\mathrm{Cl}^{-}$

1. $\mathrm{AlCl}_{3}$
2. AlCl
3. $\mathrm{Al}_{3} \mathrm{Cl}$


## What is the chemical formula for $\mathrm{Mg}^{2+}$ and $\mathrm{N}^{3-}$

1. MgN
2. $\mathrm{Mg}_{2} \mathrm{~N}_{3}$
3. $\mathrm{Mg}_{3} \mathrm{~N}_{2}$


## Solution

A. Li+ and $\mathrm{O}^{2-}$
2) $\mathrm{Li}_{2} \mathrm{O}$
check: $2 \mathrm{Li}^{+}+\mathrm{O}^{2-}=2(1+)+1(2-)=0$
B. $\mathrm{Al}^{3+}$ and $\mathrm{Cl}^{-}$

1) $\mathrm{AlCl}_{3}$
check: $\mathrm{Al}^{3+}+3 \mathrm{Cl}^{-}=(3+)+3(1-)=0$
C. $\mathrm{Mg}^{2+}$ and $\mathrm{N}^{3-}$
2) $\mathrm{Mg}_{3} \mathrm{~N}_{2}$
check: $3 \mathrm{Mg}^{2+}+2 \mathrm{~N}^{3-}=3(2+)+2(3-)=0$

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## 6.3 <br> Naming and Writing Ionic Formulas



## Naming of Ionic Compounds

In the name of an ionic compound,

- the positive ion (first ion) is named as the element
- the negative ion (second ion) is named by changing the end of the element name to -ide


## Learning Check

Complete the names of the following ions:
$\mathrm{Ba}^{2+}$
$\mathrm{N}^{3-}$
$\mathrm{Al}^{3+}$
$\mathrm{K}^{+}$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\mathrm{F}^{-}$
$P^{3-}$
$S^{2-}$
$\mathrm{Cl}^{-}$

## Solution

## $\mathrm{Ba}^{2+}$ <br> barium

$\mathrm{N}^{3-}$
nitride

phosphide

$\mathrm{O}^{2-}$
oxide
$S^{2-}$
sulfide
$\mathrm{K}^{+}$ potassium
$\mathrm{F}^{-}$
fluoride
$\mathrm{Cl}^{-}$
chloride

## Naming Ionic Compounds with Two Elements

Guide to Naming Ionic Compounds with Metals That Form a Single Ion

## STEP 1 <br> Identify the cation and anion.

STEP 2
Name the cation by its element name.

## STEP 3

Name the anion by using the first
syllable of its element name followed
by ide.

## STEP 4

Write the name of the cation first and the name of the anion second.

## Examples of Ionic Compounds with Two Elements

Formula Ions
Cation Anion
NaCl
$\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{~S}$
MgO
$\mathrm{Cal}_{2}$
$\mathrm{Al}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}$
$\mathrm{Na}^{+} \mathrm{Cl}^{-}$
$\mathrm{K}^{+} \quad \mathrm{S}^{2-}$
$\mathrm{Mg}^{2+} \mathrm{O}^{2-}$
$\mathrm{Ca}^{2+} \mathrm{I}^{-}$
$\mathrm{Al}^{3+} \quad \mathrm{O}^{2-}$

Name
sodium chloride potassium sulfide magnesium oxide calcium iodide aluminum oxide

## Some lonic Compounds

| Compound | Metal Ion | Nonmetal lon | Name |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| KI | $\mathrm{K}^{+}$ | $\mathrm{I}^{-}$ |  |
|  | Potassium | Iodide | Potassium iodide |
| $\mathrm{MgBr}_{2}$ | $\mathrm{Mg}^{2+}$ | $\mathrm{Br}^{-}$ |  |
|  | Magnesium | Bromide | Magnesium bromide |
| $\mathrm{Al}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}$ | $\mathrm{Al}^{3+}$ | $\mathrm{O}^{2-}$ |  |
|  | Aluminum | Oxide | Aluminum oxide |

## Learning Check

Write the formulas and names for compounds of the following ions:

$N^{3-}$


## Solution

$\mathrm{Br}^{-} \quad \mathrm{S}^{2-} \quad \mathrm{N}^{3-}$
$\left.\mathrm{Na}^{+} \begin{array}{|l|l|l|}\hline \begin{array}{l}\mathrm{NaBr} \\ \text { sodium } \\ \text { bromide }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{~S} \\ \text { sodium } \\ \text { sulfide }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\mathrm{Na}_{3} \mathrm{~N} \\ \text { sodium } \\ \text { nitride }\end{array} \\ \mathrm{Al}^{3+} & \begin{array}{l}\mathrm{AlBr}_{3} \\ \text { aluminum } \\ \text { bromide }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\mathrm{Al}_{2} \mathrm{~S}_{3} \\ \text { aluminum } \\ \text { sulfide }\end{array}\end{array} \begin{array}{l}\text { AlN } \\ \text { aluminum } \\ \text { nitride }\end{array}\right\}$

## Learning Check

Write the names of each of the following compounds:

1) CaO
2) KBr
3) $\mathrm{Al}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}$
4) $\mathrm{MgCl}_{2}$

## Solution

Write the names of each of the following compounds:

1) CaO calcium oxide
2) KBr
3) $\mathrm{Al}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}$
4) $\mathrm{MgCl}_{2} \quad$ magnesium chloride

## Transition Metals That Form Two or More Positive Ions

Most transition metals and Group 4 (14) metals

- form two or more positive ions
- $\mathrm{Zn}^{2+}, \mathrm{Ag}^{+}$, and $\mathrm{Cd}^{2+}$ form only one ion


## Examples:

Copper forms $\mathrm{Cu}^{+}$and $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$
Iron forms $\mathrm{Fe}^{2+}$ and $\mathrm{Fe}^{3+}$
Gold forms $\mathrm{Au}^{+}$and $\mathrm{Au}^{3+}$

## Metals with Variable Charge

TABLE 6.4 Some Metals That Form More Than One Positive Ion

| Element | Possible lons | Name of Ion |
| :--- | :---: | :--- |
| Chromium | $\mathrm{Cr}^{2+}$ | Chromium(II) |
|  | $\mathrm{Cr}^{3+}$ | Chromium(III) |
| Cobalt | $\mathrm{Co}^{2+}$ | Cobalt(II) |
|  | $\mathrm{Co}^{3+}$ | Cobalt(III) |
| Copper | $\mathrm{Cu}^{+}$ | Copper(I) |
|  | $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$ | Copper(II) |
| Gold | $\mathrm{Au}^{+}$ | Gold(I) |
|  | $\mathrm{Au}^{3+}$ | Gold(III) |
| Iron | $\mathrm{Fe}^{2+}$ | Iron(II) |
|  | $\mathrm{Fe}^{3+}$ | Iron(III) |
| Lead | $\mathrm{Pb}^{2+}$ | Lead(II) |
|  | $\mathrm{Pb}^{4+}$ | Lead(IV) |
| Manganese | $\mathrm{Mn}^{2+}$ | Manganese(II) |
|  | $\mathrm{Mn}^{3+}$ | Manganese(III) |
| Mercury | $\mathrm{Hg}_{2}{ }^{2+}$ | Mercury(I) |
|  | $\mathrm{Hg}^{2+}$ | Mercury(II) |
| Nickel | $\mathrm{Ni}^{2+}$ | Nickel(II) |
|  | $\mathrm{Ni}^{3+}$ | Nickel(III) |
| Tin | $\mathrm{Sn}^{2+}$ | Tin(II) |
|  | $\mathrm{Sn}^{4+}$ | Tin(IV) |
|  |  |  |

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## Periodic Table and Typical Ions



Metals
Metalloids
Nonmetals
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# Examples of Names of Compounds with Variable Charge Metals 

Transition metals

- with two different ions use a Roman numeral after the name of the metal to indicate the ionic charge
- only zinc, silver, and cadmium do not use a Roman numeral because they form only one ion $\left(\mathrm{Zn}^{2+}, \mathrm{Ag}^{+}\right.$, and $\mathrm{Cd}^{2+}$ )

TABLE 6.5 Some lonic
Compounds of Metals That
Form Two Kinds of Positive Ions

| Compound | Systematic <br> Name |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{FeCl}_{2}$ | Iron(II) chloride <br> $\mathrm{Fe}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}$ <br> $\mathrm{Cu}_{3} \mathrm{P}$ <br> $\mathrm{CuBr}_{2}$ |
| Iron(III) oxide <br> Copper(I) <br> phosphide <br> Copper(II) <br> bromide |  |
| $\mathrm{SnCl}_{2}$ | Tin(II) chloride <br> $\mathrm{PbS}_{2}$ |
| Lead(IV) sulfide |  |

## Naming Ionic Compounds with Variable Charge Metals



## Naming $\mathrm{FeCl}_{2}$

STEP1 Determine the charge of the cation from the anion.

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\mathrm{Fe}(?)+2 \mathrm{Cl}^{-} & =\mathrm{Fe}(?)+2(1-)=0 \\
\mathrm{Fe}(?) & =2+=\mathrm{Fe}^{2+}
\end{array}
$$

STEP 2 Name the cation by its element name and use a Roman numeral in parentheses for the charge.

$$
\mathrm{Fe}^{2+}=\operatorname{iron}(\mathrm{II})
$$

## Naming FeCl ${ }_{2}$ (continued)

STEP 3 Name the anion by using the first syllable of its element name followed by ide.
chloride

STEP 4 Write the name of the cation first and the name of the anion second.

$$
\text { iron(II) chloride }=\mathrm{FeCl}_{2}
$$

## Naming $\mathrm{Cr}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}$

STEP1 Determine the charge of the cation from the anion.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 2 \mathrm{Cr}(?)+3 \mathrm{O}^{2-}=2 \mathrm{Cr}(?)+3(2-)=0 \\
& 2 \mathrm{Cr}(?)=6+\quad \mathrm{Cr}(?)=3+=\mathrm{Cr}^{3+}
\end{aligned}
$$

STEP 2 Name the cation by its element name and use a Roman numeral in parentheses for the charge.

$$
\mathrm{Cr}^{3+}=\text { chromium(III) }
$$

## Naming FeCl ${ }_{2}$ (continued)

STEP 3 Name the anion by using the first syllable of its element name followed by ide.
oxide

STEP 4 Write the name of the cation first and the name of the anion second.
chromium(III) oxide

## Learning Check

Select the correct name for each.
A. $\mathrm{Fe}_{2} \mathrm{~S}_{3}$

1) iron sulfide
2) iron(II) sulfide
3) iron (III) sulfide
B. CuO
4) copper oxide
5) copper(I) oxide
6) copper (II) oxide

## Solution

Select the correct name for each.
A. $\mathrm{Fe}_{2} \mathrm{~S}_{3}$
3) iron (III) sulfide
$\mathrm{Fe}^{3+} \mathrm{S}^{2-}$
B. CuO
3) copper (II) oxide
$\mathrm{Cu}^{2+} \mathrm{O}^{2-}$

## Guide to Writing Formulas from the Name

Guide to Writing Formulas from the
Name of an Ionic Compound

## STEP 1 <br> Identify the cation and anion.

## STEP 2 <br> Balance the charges.

## STEP 3

Write the formula, cation first, using the subscripts from the charge balance.

## Writing Formulas

Write the formula of potassium sulfide.
STEP1
Identify the cation and anion.

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\text { potassium } & =\mathrm{K}^{+} \\
\text {sulfide } & =\mathrm{S}^{2-}
\end{array}
$$

STEP 2
Balance the charges.
$\mathrm{K}^{+} \quad \mathrm{S}^{2-}$
$\mathrm{K}^{+}$
$2(1+)+2(1-)=0$
STEP 3 Write the formula, cation first, using the subscripts from the charge balance.

$$
2 \mathrm{~K}^{+} \text {and } 1 \mathrm{~S}^{2-}=\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{~S}
$$

## Writing Formulas

Write the formula of cobalt(III) chloride.
STEP1 Identify the cation and anion.

$$
\begin{aligned}
\text { cobalt (III) } & =\mathrm{Co}^{3+} \quad(\text { III }=\text { charge of } 3+) \\
\text { chloride } & =\mathrm{Cl}^{-}
\end{aligned}
$$

STEP 2 Balance the charges.

$$
\mathrm{Co}^{3+} \text { and } 3 \mathrm{Cl}^{-}=(3+)+3(1-)=0
$$

STEP 3 Write the formula, cation first, using the subscripts from the charge balance.
$1 \mathrm{Co}^{3+}$ and $3 \mathrm{Cl}^{-}=\mathrm{CoCl}_{3}$

## Learning Check

## Select the correct formula for each of the following:

A. copper (I) nitride

1) CuN
2) $\mathrm{CuN}_{3}$
3) $\mathrm{Cu}_{3} \mathrm{~N}$
B. lead (IV) oxide
4) $\mathrm{PbO}_{2}$
5) PbO
6) $\mathrm{Pb}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{4}$

## Solution

A. copper (I) nitride 3) $\mathrm{Cu}_{3} \mathrm{~N}$
B. lead (IV) oxide

1) $\mathrm{PbO}_{2}$
$3 \mathrm{Cu}^{+}$and $\mathrm{N}^{3-}$
$\mathrm{Pb}^{4+}$ and $2 \mathrm{O}^{2-}$

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## Polyatomic lons

## A polyatomic ion

- is a group of atoms
- has an overall ionic charge

Examples:
$\begin{array}{llll}\mathrm{NH}_{4}{ }^{+} & \text {ammonium } & \mathrm{OH}^{-} & \text {hydroxide } \\ \mathrm{NO}_{3}{ }^{-} & \text {nitrate } & \mathrm{NO}_{2}^{-} & \text {nitrite } \\ \mathrm{CO}_{3}{ }^{2-} & \text { carbonate } & \mathrm{PO}_{4}{ }^{3-} & \text { phosphate }\end{array}$
$\mathrm{HCO}_{3}{ }^{-}$hydrogen carbonate
(bicarbonate)

## Some Compounds with Polyatomic lons



Fertilizer
$\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{NO}_{3}$


## More Names of Polyatomic Ions

The names of the common polyatomic anions

- end in ate
$\mathrm{NO}_{3}{ }^{-}$
nitrate
$\mathrm{PO}_{4}{ }^{3-}$
phosphate
- with one oxygen less end in ite
$\mathrm{NO}_{2}{ }^{-} \quad$ nitrite
$\mathrm{PO}_{3}{ }^{3-}$
phosphite
- with hydrogen use prefix hydrogen (or bi)
$\mathrm{HCO}_{3}{ }^{-}$hydrogen carbonate (bicarbonate)
$\mathrm{HSO}_{3}{ }^{-} \quad$ hydrogen sulfite (bisulfite)


## Names and Formulas of Common Polvatomic Ions

tABLE 6.6 Names and Formulas of Some Common Polyatomic Ions

| Nonmetal | Formula of Ion ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Name of Ion |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hydrogen | $\mathrm{OH}^{-}$ | Hydroxide |
| Nitrogen | $\mathrm{NH}_{4}{ }^{+}$ | Ammonium |
|  | $\mathrm{NO}_{3}{ }^{-}$ | Nitrate |
|  | $\mathrm{NO}_{2}{ }^{-}$ | Nitrite |
| Chlorine | $\mathrm{ClO}_{4}{ }^{-}$ | Perchlorate |
|  | $\mathrm{ClO}_{3}{ }^{-}$ | Chlorate |
|  | $\mathrm{ClO}_{2}{ }^{-}$ | Chlorite |
|  | $\mathrm{ClO}^{-}$ | Hypochlorite |
| Carbon | $\mathrm{CO}_{3}{ }^{2-}$ | Carbonate |
|  | $\mathrm{HCO}_{3}{ }^{-}$ | Hydrogen carbonate (or bicarbonate) |
|  | $\mathrm{CN}^{-}$ | Cyanide |
|  |  | Acetate |
|  | $\mathrm{SCN}^{-}$ | Thiocyanate |
| Sulfur | $\mathrm{SO}_{4}{ }^{2-}$ | Sulfate |
|  | $\mathrm{HSO}_{4}{ }^{-}$ | Hydrogen sulfate (or bisulfate) |
|  | $\mathrm{SO}_{3}{ }^{2-}$ | Sulfite |
|  | $\mathrm{HSO}_{3}{ }^{-}$ | Hydrogen sulfite (or bisulfite) |
| Phosphorus | $\mathrm{PO}_{4}{ }^{3-}$ | Phosphate |
|  | $\mathrm{HPO}_{4}{ }^{2-}$ | Hydrogen phosphate |
|  | $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{PO}_{4}^{-}$ | Dihydrogen phosphate |
|  | $\mathrm{PO}_{3}{ }^{3-}$ | Phosphite |
| Chromium | $\mathrm{CrO}_{4}{ }^{2-}$ | Chromate |
|  | $\mathrm{Cr}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{7}{ }^{2-}$ | Dichromate |
| Manganese | $\mathrm{MnO}_{4}{ }^{-}$ | Permanganate |

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## Some Compounds Containing Polyatomic lons

TABLE 6.7 Some Compounds That Contain Polyatomic lons

| Formula | Name | Use |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{BaSO}_{4}$ | Barium sulfate | Contrast medium for X-rays |
| $\mathrm{CaCO}_{3}$ | Calcium carbonate | Antacid, calcium supplement |
| $\mathrm{CaSO}_{3}$ | Calcium sulfite | Preservative in cider and fruit juices |
| $\mathrm{CaSO}_{4}$ | Calcium sulfate | Plaster casts |
| $\mathrm{AgNO}_{3}$ | Silver nitrate | Topical anti-infective |
| $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ | Sodium bicarbonate | Antacid |
| $\mathrm{Zn}_{3}\left(\mathrm{PO}_{4}\right)_{2}$ | Zinc phosphate | Dental cements |
| $\mathrm{FePO}_{4}$ | Iron(III) phosphate | Food and bread enrichment |
| $\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{CO}_{3}$ | Potassium carbonate | Alkalizer, diuretic |
| $\mathrm{Al}_{2}\left(\mathrm{SO}_{4}\right)_{3}$ | Aluminum sulfate | Antiperspirant, anti-infective |
| $\mathrm{AlPO}_{4}$ | Aluminum phosphate | Antacid |
| $\mathrm{MgSO}_{4}$ | Magnesium sulfate | Cathartic, Epsom salts |



## Prefixes for Names of Polyatomic lons of Halogens

Some polyatomic ions of the halogens require prefixes.
$\mathrm{ClO}_{4}^{-}$perchlorate
$\mathrm{ClO}_{3}{ }^{-}$chlorate
$\mathrm{ClO}_{2}^{-}$chlorite
$\mathrm{ClO}^{-}$hypochlorite
one oxygen more most common form
one oxygen less
two oxygens less

## Guide to Naming Compounds with Polyatomic Ions

Guide to Naming lonic Compounds with Polyatomic Ions

STEP 1
Identify the cation and polyatomic ion (anion).


Examples of Naming
Compounds with Polyatomic Ions
In a compound with a negatively charged polyatomic,

- the positive ion is named first
- followed by the name of the polyatomic ion

| $\mathrm{NaNO}_{3}$ | sodium nitrate |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ | potassium sulfate |
| $\mathrm{Fe}\left(\mathrm{HCO}_{3}\right)_{3}$ | iron(III) bicarbonate |
|  | or iron(III) hydrogen carbonate |
| $\left(\mathrm{NH}_{4}\right)_{3} \mathrm{PO}_{3}$ | ammonium phosphite |

## Learning Check

Select the correct formula for each:
A. aluminum nitrate

1) $\mathrm{AlNO}_{3}$
2) $\mathrm{Al}(\mathrm{NO})_{3}$
3) $\mathrm{Al}\left(\mathrm{NO}_{3}\right)_{3}$
B. copper(II) nitrate
4) $\mathrm{CuNO}_{3} \quad$ 2) $\mathrm{Cu}\left(\mathrm{NO}_{3}\right)_{2}$
5) $\mathrm{Cu}_{2}\left(\mathrm{NO}_{3}\right)$
C. iron (III) hydroxide
6) $\mathrm{FeOH} \quad$ 2) $\mathrm{Fe}_{3} \mathrm{OH}$
7) $\mathrm{Fe}(\mathrm{OH})_{3}$
D. tin(IV) hydroxide
8) $\mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{OH})_{4} \quad$ 2) $\mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{OH})_{2}$
9) $\mathrm{Sn}_{4}(\mathrm{OH})$

## Solution

Select the correct formula for each:
A. aluminum nitrate
3) $\mathrm{Al}\left(\mathrm{NO}_{3}\right)_{3}$
B. copper(II) nitrate
2) $\mathrm{Cu}\left(\mathrm{NO}_{3}\right)_{2}$
C. iron(III) hydroxide
3) $\mathrm{Fe}(\mathrm{OH})_{3}$
D. tin(IV) hydroxide

1) $\mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{OH})_{4}$

## Learning Check

Match each formula with the correct name:
A. MgS
$\mathrm{MgSO}_{3}$
$\mathrm{MgSO}_{4}$
B. $\mathrm{Ca}\left(\mathrm{ClO}_{3}\right)_{2}$
$\mathrm{Ca}(\mathrm{ClO})_{2}$
$\mathrm{Ca}\left(\mathrm{ClO}_{2}\right)_{2}$

1) magnesium sulfite
2) magnesium sulfate
3) magnesium sulfide
4) calcium chlorate
5) calcium chlorite
6) calcium hypochlorite

## Solution

Match each formula with the correct name:
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { A. } \mathrm{MgS} & \text { 3) magnesium sulfide }\end{array}$
$\mathrm{MgSO}_{3}$ 1) magnesium sulfite
$\mathrm{MgSO}_{4}$
2) magnesium sulfate
B. $\mathrm{Ca}\left(\mathrm{ClO}_{3}\right)_{2}$

1) calcium chlorate
$\mathrm{Ca}(\mathrm{ClO})_{2}$
2) calcium hypochlorite
$\mathrm{Ca}\left(\mathrm{ClO}_{2}\right)_{2}$
3) calcium chlorite

## Learning Check

Name each of the following compounds:
A. $\mathrm{Mg}\left(\mathrm{NO}_{3}\right)_{2}$
B. $\mathrm{Cu}\left(\mathrm{ClO}_{3}\right)_{2}$
C. $\mathrm{PbO}_{2}$
D. $\mathrm{Fe}_{2}\left(\mathrm{SO}_{4}\right)_{3}$
E. $\quad \mathrm{Ba}_{3}\left(\mathrm{PO}_{3}\right)_{2}$

## Solution

Name each of the following compounds:
A. $\mathrm{Mg}\left(\mathrm{NO}_{3}\right)_{2}$
B. $\mathrm{Cu}\left(\mathrm{ClO}_{3}\right)_{2}$
C. $\mathrm{PbO}_{2}$
D. $\mathrm{Fe}_{2}\left(\mathrm{SO}_{4}\right)_{3}$
E. $\mathrm{Ba}_{3}\left(\mathrm{PO}_{3}\right)_{2}$
magnesium nitrate
copper(II) chlorate
lead (IV) oxide
iron(III) sulfate
barium phosphite

## Writing Formulas with Polyatomic lons

## The formula of an ionic compound

- containing a polyatomic ion must have a charge balance that equals zero(0)
$\mathrm{Na}^{+}$and $\mathrm{NO}_{3}{ }^{-} \rightarrow \quad \mathrm{NaNO}_{3}$
- with two or more polyatomic ions encloses the polyatomic ions in parentheses
$\mathrm{Mg}^{2+}$ and $2 \mathrm{NO}_{3}{ }^{-} \rightarrow \quad \mathrm{Mg}\left(\mathrm{NO}_{3}\right)_{2}$
subscript 2 for charge balance


## Learning Check

Write the correct formula for each:
A. potassium bromate
B. calcium carbonate
C. sodium phosphate
D. iron(III) oxide
E. iron (II) nitrite

## Solution

Write the correct formula for each:
A. potassium bromate $\mathrm{KBrO}_{3}$
B. calcium carbonate $\mathrm{CaCO}_{3}$
C. sodium phosphate $\mathrm{Na}_{3} \mathrm{PO}_{4}$
D. iron(III) oxide
$\mathrm{Fe}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}$
E. iron (II) nitrite
$\mathrm{Fe}\left(\mathrm{NO}_{2}\right)_{2}$

## Flowchart for Naming Ionic Compounds



## Learning Check

Name the following compounds:
A. $\mathrm{Ca}_{3}\left(\mathrm{PO}_{4}\right)_{2}$
B. $\mathrm{FeBr}_{3}$
C. $\mathrm{Al}_{2} \mathrm{~S}_{3}$
D. $\mathrm{Mn}\left(\mathrm{NO}_{2}\right)_{2}$
E. $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$

## Solution

Name the following compounds:
A. $\mathrm{Ca}_{3}\left(\mathrm{PO}_{4}\right)_{2} \quad \mathrm{Ca}^{2+} \mathrm{PO}_{4}{ }^{3-}$ calcium phosphate
B. $\mathrm{FeBr}_{3}$
$\mathrm{Fe}^{3+} \mathrm{Br}^{-} \quad$ iron(III) bromide
C. $\mathrm{Al}_{2} \mathrm{~S}_{3} \quad \mathrm{Al}^{3+} \quad \mathrm{S}^{2-} \quad$ aluminum sulfide
D. $\mathrm{Mn}\left(\mathrm{NO}_{2}\right)_{2} \quad \mathrm{Mn}^{2+} \mathrm{NO}_{2}^{-}$manganese(II) nitrite
E. $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3} \quad \mathrm{Na}^{+} \mathrm{HCO}_{3}^{-}$sodium hydrogen
carbonate
(sodium bicarbonate)

## Learning Check

Write the formulas for the following:
A. calcium nitrate
B. iron(II) hydroxide
C. aluminum carbonate
D. copper(II) hypobromite
E. lithium phosphate

## Solution

Write the formulas for the following:
A. calcium nitrate $\quad \mathrm{Ca}^{2+}, \mathrm{NO}_{3}^{-} \quad \mathrm{Ca}\left(\mathrm{NO}_{3}\right)_{2}$
B. iron(II) hydroxide
$\mathrm{Fe}^{2+}, \mathrm{OH}^{-}$
$\mathrm{Fe}(\mathrm{OH})_{2}$
C. aluminum carbonate
$\mathrm{Al}^{1++}, \mathrm{CO}_{3}{ }^{2-}$ $\mathrm{Al}_{2}\left(\mathrm{CO}_{3}\right)_{3}$
D. copper(II) hypobromite $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}, \mathrm{BrO}^{-}$ $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{BrO})_{2}$
E. lithium phosphate
$\mathrm{Li}^{+}, \mathrm{PO}_{4}{ }^{3-}$
$\mathrm{Li}_{3} \mathrm{PO}_{4}$


[^0]:    *Mercury(I) ions form pairs with a $2+$ charge
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[^1]:    / ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Boxed formulas are the most common polyatomic ion for that element.
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