## Atomes et molécules

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## Chapter 6 : The Lewis chemical bond model

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At room temperature on earth, only a few atoms exist as isolated atoms (He, Ne, Ar, Kr, Xe)

Generally, atoms associate to form more or less complex structure.

- Molecules, made of 2 up to 1000 atoms (examples : HCl, CH<sub>4</sub>, amino acids, proteins etc..)

- Solid structure of atoms and ions (examples : graphite, diamond, metals....)

**Diamonds** have of strong covalent bonds (Chap. 6), which makes it hard, but Graphite on the other hand has carbon atoms held by weak van der Waal's bonds (Chap. 9).

#### Chapter 6 – 1. Definition

In all simple gaseous  $(H_2...)$ , solid (graphite ...) or liquid  $(Br_2...)$  bodies and all composed bodies  $(H_2O, NaCl, CH_4...)$ , atoms are associated by chemical bonds.

These bonds are responsible for the stability of the molecules.

Depending on the nature of the atoms, different types of chemical bonds exist.

For all types of bonds, valence electrons are responsible for the cohesion of multi-atomic structure.

#### 2-1) Covalent bond





LEWIS model(1916):

- A covalent bond between atom A and B results from sharing a pair of electrons.
- Only valence electrons can participate to the bond
- Most of the time (but not always), atoms participating to the bond adopt the electronic configuration of the closest rare gaz (full shells).

Covalent bonds occur between atoms belonging to close families, in particular with similar electronegativity in order to avoid charge transfer. Electrons need to be shared, not transferred

This mechanism implies that each atom must hold at least half of the electrons compared to the closest rare gas (1 for H and 4 for the other elements).





- In the ionic bond , the electron is completely transferred from one atom to the other.
- One atom gives away a valence electron to the other atom, resulting in a pair of electrons localized on the most electronegative atom which becomes negatively charged (Cl).
- The atom loosing an electron (Na) becomes positively charged.
- Na takes the electronic structure of the preceding rare gas
- Cl takes the electronic structure of the following rare gas .

The ionic bond between Na<sup>+</sup> and Cl<sup>-</sup> is mainly electrostatic.

This kind of bonds occurs between atoms with very different electronegativity.



Exemple : NaCl : Na<sup>+</sup>, Cl<sup>-</sup>

Na<sup>+</sup>  $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^0$  cf Ne

Cl<sup>-</sup>  $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6$  cf Ar

• Ionic bonds involve electrostatic forces



#### Ionic bonds are strong

• In order to break a ionic crystal, it is necessary to provide a lot of energy: (high melting temperature for NaCl: 801 °C, LiF: 845 °C),



## 2-3) The metallic bond

- The metallic bond ensures the cohesion of purely metallic substances. Because all the atoms are the same, there can be no ionic bonding
- The strength of the metallic bond is enhanced by the sharing of all valence electrons of all atoms participating to the metallic crystal.
- Valence electrons in the metal are free to move across the whole metal surface. The metallic structure is a regular network of positive ions in a sea of free valence electrons (high conductivity).





- Transition energy from solid to gas state is of the order of 100 kJ/mole for alkali metals and alkali earth metals.
- Higher values (up to 800 kJ/mole)for transition metals.

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Tungsten (Wolfram), <sub>74</sub>W (the highest melting point of all the elements: 3695 K)
Electronic configuration :
[Xe] 4f<sup>14</sup> 5d<sup>4</sup> 6s<sup>2</sup>
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- Metals are characterized by their ability to reflect light, their high electrical and thermal conductivity, their high heat capacity, and their malleability. The packing efficiency in metallic crystals tends to be high, so the resulting metallic solids are dense, with each atom having as many as 12 nearest neighbors.
- Because all the atoms are the same, there can be no ionic bonding, yet metals always contain too few electrons or valence orbitals to form covalent bonds with each of their neighbors. Instead, the valence electrons are delocalized throughout the crystal, providing a strong cohesive force that holds the metal atoms together.
- Metallic bonds tend to be weakest for elements that have nearly empty (as in Cs) or nearly full (Hg) valence subshells, and strongest for elements with approximately half-filled valence shells (as in W).

QCM 13 Dans le modèle de la liaison ionique :

- a. il y a transfert d'électron(s) de l'élément le plus électronégatif vers l'élément le moins électronégatif
- b. il y a transfert d'électron(s) de l'élément le moins électronégatif vers l'élément le plus électronégatif
- c. il y a transfert d'électron(s) de l'élément possédant le rayon atomique le plus grand vers l'élément possédant le rayon atomique le plus petit
- **d.** il y a transfert d'électron(s) de l'élément possédant le rayon atomique le plus petit vers l'élément possédant le rayon atomique le plus grand
- Aucune des propositions précédentes (A à D) n'est exacte

## 3) Covalent Lewis model

- pure covalent bonds, dative bonds and multiple bonds.
- Different models have been elaborated concerning the formation of bonds.

## 1. Lewis model

2. Quantum model

## 3-1) The covalent bond

Each atom provides a single valence electron and contributes to forming an electron pair shared by both atoms (ex:  $H_2$ ).

In the case of molecules and simple ions, the **LEWIS STRUCTURE** can be established.

- from the LEWIS structure of atoms
- from the quantum cell representation of the valence shells.

**Lewis structures** are symbolic representations:

- All electrons from the external shells must be represented whether they are involved in the bond or not.
- A pair of electrons **involved** in the bond is called a bonding pair.
- A pair of electrons **NOT involved** in a bond is called a lone pair.

Bonding pairs and lone pairs are represented by segments (or double dots)





on the Oxygen atom



ammonia molecule?

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$$H - \overline{O} - H \qquad |\overline{F} - \overline{F}| \qquad H - \overline{N} - H \\ H \qquad H - \overline{O} - \overline{C}|$$

In the examples above, each hydrogen atom is surrounded by 2 electrons. The other atoms are surronded by 8 electrons.

#### This is the **OCTET RULE**:

When forming bonds, atoms tend to saturate their valence shell in order

to get the electronic structure of the closest rare gas.

With the exception of Hydrogen, all atoms involved in covalent bonding are surrounded by 8 electrons.

#### .....But there are many exceptions to the rule!!!

## 3-2) Dipolar or dative covalent bond

A = + B = A - B

Here, atom B has a lone pair and brings both electrons to form the covalent bond. This is possible for 2 atoms when one atom has a lone pair and the other atom has an electron vacancy.

This kind of bond is strictly covalent : only the formation of the bond is different. Once formed it is similar to any covalent bond, but in the LEWIS representation it is represented by an arrow representing the bonding pair

B is called a Lewis base ; A is a Lewis acid

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Example : formation of the ammonium ion  $NH_4^{\pm}$ NH<sub>3</sub> H - N - HH

Nitrogen has one lone pair; a dative bond is possible. H+ has an electron vacancy

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**Formal charges** 

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- One proton in excess compared to the number of electrons: the positive charge is assigned to the whole molecule
- Nitrogen is an electron provider: the lone pair of nitrogen is now shared with the hydrogen. Nitrogen has « lost » half of the pair, formally one electron charge (+1).
- The H<sup>+</sup> has won a negative charge and **has became neutral (0)**. Assuming that electrons are shared equally in a bond regardless of electronegativity, **the formal charge is**:

Formal Charge = (valence number) - (number of bonds) - (non-bonding electrons)

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Atom	Valence #	-	# bonds	- nor	nbonded e's	=	Formal Charge
=c(	4	-	4	-	0	=	0
-¢	4	-	3	-	0	=	+1
=¢	6	•	3	-	2	=	+1
<u>—n</u> —	5	•	2	-	4	=	-1
	5	-	4	-	0	=	+1
 	3	-	4	-	0	=	-1

Example : calculating the formal charge for nitrogen in  $NH_4^+$ 

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- Nitrogen has 5 valence electrons.
- In NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>, nitrogen builds 4 bonds
- Nitrogen has 0 non bonding electrons

Formal Charge (N) = (valence number) - (number of bonds) - (non-bonding electrons) = 5 - 4 = +1

In this molecule, **nitrogen has a formal charge of +1** On the other hand all **H atoms have a formal charge of 0**.

Formal Charge (H) = (valence number) - (number of bonds) - (non-bonding electrons) = 1 - 1 = 0

The sum of all the formal charges of all the atoms is equal to the global charge. **0 for all neutral molecules**. Positive or negative values depending on the charge for ions.

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Ammonium ion: FC (N) + 4 [FC (H]) = +1 + 4(0) = +1

In the case of ammonium, the positive value corresponds to the loss of electron by the nitrogen.

The positive charge is indicated on N:

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## 3-3) Multiple bonds: Double and triple bonds

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Example 2 : N<sub>2</sub> molecule

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### O<sub>2</sub> is paramagnetic (and not N<sub>2</sub>) !!

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- Being **paramagnetic means** having **unpaired electrons** and the individual magnetic effects **do** not cancel each other out. The unpaired electrons carry a magnetic moment that gets stronger with the number of unpaired electrons causing the atom or ion to be attracted to an external magnetic field.
- Note that according to the Lewis model O<sub>2</sub> has no unpaired electrons but according to Molecular Orbital (MO) theory it does have unpaired electrons. Since liquid O<sub>2</sub> does stick to a magnet, MO theory is better at explaining the behavior.

## 3-4) Valence states

In some cases it is necessary to invoke a valence state of the atom to account for some molecules.

First case: increasing the number of lone electrons

Examples:

- Methane CH<sub>4</sub> (verifying the OCTET RULE)
- Phosphorus pentachloride PCl<sub>5</sub> (**NOT verifying the OCTET RULE**)

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Electronic configuration of carbon in the fundamental state:

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Electronic configuration of phosphorus in the fundamental state:

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In order to form 5 P-Cl bonds, 5 single electrons are needed <u>The valence state of P in PCl<sub>5</sub> is</u>:

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Second case: creating empty orbitals

Instead of maximizing the number of single electrons, it can be necessary to create additionaly lone pairs in order to create empty quantum cells

<u>Exemple :  $N_2O$  (SO<sub>2</sub>) ...</u>

N<sub>2</sub>O : N is connected to another N and to O

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An empty cell can be created in the valence shell of nitrogen or oxygen: different Lewis structures are possible :

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Formal Charge = (valence number) - (number of bonds) - (non-bonding electrons)

### 3-5) Mesomerism or resonance

The structures A and B differ only by the positions of lone pairs

This is called delocalization of electrons

**The real structure** cannot be represented by a single structure. It is called a **<u>HYBRID</u>** of structure A and B.

Both structure A and B are:

Resonance or mesomeric structure  $\overrightarrow{N} = \overrightarrow{N} - \overrightarrow{O} \qquad \longleftrightarrow \qquad \overrightarrow{N} = \overrightarrow{N} = \overrightarrow{O}$  $? \overrightarrow{O} - \overrightarrow{O} = \overrightarrow{O} \qquad \longleftrightarrow \qquad \overrightarrow{O} = \overrightarrow{O} - \overrightarrow{O} ?$ 

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Ozone

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Ozone is toxic for humans at a certain level in the troposphere.

The Ozone hole is observed at the altitude of 25 km in the stratosphere. It is protecting living organism from strong UV radiation.

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## **3-6) Bond energy**

- The bond energy  $E_1$  corresponds to the energy (negative value) used to form the bond from the initial isolated atoms
- The absolute value  $|E_1|$  corresponds to the necessary energy to break the bond? The value  $|E_1|$  depends on:
  - The chemical species involved:

Example: H- F  $|E_1| = 565 \text{ kJ.mol}^{-1}$ H- I  $|E_1| = 295 \text{ kJ.mol}^{-1}$ 

• The multiplicity of the bond:

C — C  $|E_1| = 347 \text{ kJ.mol}^{-1}$ C = C  $|E_1| = 837 \text{ kJ.mol}^{-1}$ 

## 3-7) Conclusion

The Lewis structure has no physical reality. Atoms do not really "share" electrons. But Lewis structures are most of the time good symbolic representations of covalent bonds.

- **The Lewis model** allows to understand basic mechanism of formation and breaking of bonds:
- Not adapted to describe hybrid structures.

- Does not allow to understand the geometry of the molecules which is crucial to chemical and biological properties.

## **VSEPR** theory

## Quelques règles de nomenclature

## 1) Composés moléculaires minéraux

En général, ils sont composés de 2 non- métaux  $: A_x B_y$ Le plus électronégatif est écrit à droite

On commence par nommer l'élément écrit à droite
 Si B est l'oxygène, on parle d'oxyde.
 Souvent racine du nom de l'élément B + terminaison ure

Ex: si **B** = **CI**, on parle de chlorure

Si y > 1, on affecte le nom d'un préfixe
 Di, Tri, Tetra, Penta, Hexa etc...
 Ex: Si O<sub>2</sub> C'est un Dioxyde

Puis on nomme l'élément écrit à gauche en l'affectant d'un préfixe si x > 1 Di, Tri, Tetra, Penta, Hexa etc...

Ex: PCl<sub>5</sub> pentachlorure de phosphore ; SF<sub>6</sub> hexafluorure de soufre Si O<sub>2</sub> dioxyde de silicium ; N<sub>2</sub> O monoxyde de diazote 2) Composés ioniques : écriture et nomenclature
✤ On écrit le cation à gauche et l'anion à droite. ex : Na<sup>+</sup>Cl<sup>-</sup>; (NH 4)<sup>+</sup> (NO 3)<sup>-</sup>
✤ On nomme l'anion en premier, ensuite le cation.

IV-1-a) Composés ioniques binaires: NaBr, K<sub>2</sub>S, CaCl<sub>2</sub>, FeCl<sub>3</sub> ✦ Nomenclature de l'anion : Souvent, racine du nom de l'élément + terminaison URE

Na<sup>+</sup> Br <sup>-</sup> BromURE Pour S et N, racine latine + URE SulfURE pour S NitrURE pour N Pour O, OXYDE

 Nomenclature du cation : nom de l'élément. <u>Attention, certains</u> <u>cations peuvent exister sous des formes ioniques différentes</u>
 ex: Na<sup>+</sup>Br<sup>-</sup> bromure de sodium ; K<sub>2</sub>S (2K<sup>+</sup>S<sup>2-</sup>) sulfure de potassium CaCl<sub>2</sub> (Ca<sup>2+</sup>,2Cl<sup>-</sup>) chlorure de calcium ; FeCl<sub>3</sub> (Fe<sup>3+</sup>,3Cl<sup>-</sup>) chlorure de fer(III)

#### **IV-1-B)** Composés ioniques polyatomiques

Même principe (on nomme l'anion puis le cation)

- $NH_4^+$  ammonium NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> nitrate CNcyanure  $SO_4^{2-}$  sulfate SCN<sup>-</sup> thiocyanate **PO<sub>4</sub><sup>3-</sup>** phosphate Hhydrure  $H_2 PO_4^-$  dihydrogénophosphate CO<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup> carbonate HO- hydroxyde HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> hydrogénocarbonate ClO- hypochlorite ClO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> perchlorate
  - HPO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> hydrogénophosphate
  - MnO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> permanganate