# Chapter 2 – "Basic Chemistry"



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# Outline

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- Isotopes
- Electrons and Energy
- Molecules and Compounds
- Chemical Bonding
  - Ionic and Covalent
  - Hydrogen
- Properties of Water
  - Acids and Bases

# **Chemical Elements**

#### • Matter:

- Matter is defined as anything that has mass and occupies space
- Matter exists in three states: **solid**, **liquid**, **and gas**
- All matter (both living and non-living) is composed of 92 naturally-occurring elements
- 98% of body weight of organisms are primarily composed of six elements (carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, oxygen, phosphorus, and sulfur—acronym CHNOPS) make up 98% of the body weight of organisms.

# Composition of Earth's Crust versus Organisms



# **Atomic Structure**

- Atom is the smallest unit of an element
- Atoms composed of subatomic particles:
  - Protons positive charge; weight of approximately 1 Dalton, found in the nucleus
  - Neutrons no charge; weight similar to protons, found in the nucleus
  - Electrons negative charge; weigh 1/1836<sup>th</sup>
    Dalton; found in electron shell
  - Atoms contain specific numbers of **protons, neutrons, and electrons.**

# **Subatomic Particles**





Subatomic Particles				
Particle	Electric Charge	Atomic Mass Unit (AMU)	Location	
Proton	+1	1	Nucleus	
Neutron	0	1	Nucleus	
Electron	-1	0	Electron shell	

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# Atomic Symbols

• Each element is represented by one or two letters to give them a unique atomic symbol

• H = hydrogen, Na = Sodium, C = Carbon

- Each atom has its own specific mass (atomic mass)
- Atomic mass of an atom depends on the presence of subatomic particles
  - Atomic number = proton number;
  - Atomic mass or mass number = protons and neutrons

# Atomic Symbol

The atomic number is above the atomic symbol and the atomic mass is below the atomic symbol



# **Periodic Table**

- Elements grouped in periodic table based on characteristics
  - Vertical columns = groups; chemically similar
  - Horizontal rows = periods; larger and larger
- Atomic mass increases as you move down a group or across a period.

## Periodic Table



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## Periodic Table



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#### Isotopes

#### Isotopes:

 Atoms of the same element with a differing numbers of neutrons (and therefore have different atomic masses).
 e.g. see carbon below

#### Some isotopes spontaneously decay

- Radioactive
- Give off energy in the form of rays and subatomic particles
- Can be used as tracers
- Mutagenic Can cause cancer



## Some Medical Uses for Low Level Radiation

#### MRI, CT, Nuclear Medicine

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# Some Medical Uses for High Level Radiation

Radiation can kill cancer cells

#### Radiation can preserve food longer

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# **Electrons and Energy**

- Atoms normally have as many electrons as protons
- Opposite charges balance leaving atom neutral
- Electrons are attracted to the positive nucleus
  - Revolve around nucleus in orbitals
  - Can be pushed into higher orbitals with energy
  - Release that energy when they fall back to lower orbital
  - Different energy levels referred to as electron shells

## Animation



## The Octet Rule for Distribution of Electrons

- Bohr models show electron shells as concentric circles around nucleus
  - Each shell has two or more electron orbitals
    - Innermost shell has two orbitals
    - Others have 8 or multiples thereof
- The outermost electron shell determines the reactivity of the element
  - If 3 or less Tendency to donate electrons
  - If 5 or more Tendency to receive electrons

# **Bohr Models of Atoms**



# **Compounds and Molecules**

- Compound when atoms of two or more different elements bond together
  - CO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>6</sub>, etc.
  - Characteristics dramatically different from constituent elements
- Molecule and compound is used interchangeably
  - In Biology molecule is used e.g. molecule of water (H<sub>2</sub>O) molecule of glucose (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>6</sub>)
- Bonds that exist between atoms in molecules contain energy

# **Compounds and Molecules**



# Chemical Bonding

- Bonds between atoms are caused by electrons in outermost shells
- The process of bond formation is called a reaction
- The intensity of simple reactions can be predicted by the periodic table
  - If two elements are horizontally close in the table, they usually react mildly
  - If they are horizontally far apart, they usually react vigorously

# **Types of Bonds: Ionic Bonding**

- Ionic bond forms when electrons are transferred from one atom to another atom.
- Octet rule atoms lose or gain electrons to fill their outer shells and become more stable
  - Atoms "want" 8 electrons in outer shell
    - If have < 4, desire to donate electrons</p>
      - If have > 4, desire to receive electrons
- Consider two elements from opposite ends of periodic table
  - Element from right side:
    - Has 7 electrons in outer shell
    - "Desperately wants" one more (7+1=8)
  - Element from left side:
    - Has only 1 electron in outer shell
    - "Desperately wants" to donate it (1-1=0=8)

# Types of Bonds: Ionic Bond Example

#### Sodium (Na):

Has only 1 electron in its outermost shell

#### • Chlorine (CI):

- Has 7 electrons in its outermost shell
- In a reaction between Na and CI
  - Na loses an electron and becomes a positive ion (Na+)
  - CI gains an electron and becomes a negative ion (CI-)
  - Attraction of oppositely charged ions holds the two atoms together in an ionic bond

# Formation of Sodium Chloride



# **Types of Bonds: Covalent Bonds**

- Covalent bonds result when two atoms share electrons so each atom has an octet of electrons in the outer shell (in the case of hydrogen, 2 electrons).
- When atoms are horizontally closer together in the periodic table
  - The electrons are not permanently transferred from one atom to the other like in NaCl
  - A pair of electrons from the outer shell will "time share" with one atom and then the other
  - This also causes the atoms to remain together
  - Known as covalent bonding
- Double covalent bond when two pairs of electrons are shared between atoms

# **Covalently Bonded Molecules**

•The structural formula of a molecule indicates a shared pair of electrons by a line between the two atoms e.g. single covalent bond (H–H), double covalent bond (O=O), and triple covalent bond (N  $\equiv$  N).  $\label{eq:copyright} \verb"Copyright" \ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}\xspace The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. Permission required for reproduction or display.$ 

Electron Model	Structural Formula	Molecular Formula
HHH	н-н	H <sub>2</sub>

a. Hydrogen gas



b. Oxygen gas



# Nonpolar Covalent Bonds

- In nonpolar covalent bonds, sharing of electrons is equal, i.e. the electrons are not attracted to either atom to a greater degree
  - One atom "wants" (with a specific intensity) to donate electron(s)
  - The other atom "wants," (with the same intensity) to receive electron(s)
  - The bond electrons will spend about equal time with both atoms

## **Polar Covalent Bonds**

- With polar covalent bonds, the sharing of electrons is unequal i.e. atoms will have unequal affinity for electrons
  - One atom "wants" to donate or receive electron(s) with a specific intensity
  - The other atom "wants" to donate or receive electron(s) with a different intensity
    - In H2O sharing of electrons by oxygen and hydrogen is not equal; the oxygen atom with more protons attracts the electrons closer therefore assumes a partial negative charge i.e. the atom that gets the most time with the electrons will be slightly negative

## Animation



# Types of Bonds: Hydrogen Bonds

- Water (H<sub>2</sub>O or H–O–H) is a polar molecule
  - Electrons spend more time with O than H's
  - H's become slightly +, O slightly -
- When polar molecules are dissolved in water
  - The H's of water molecules are attracted to the negative parts of the solute molecules and form a hydrogen bond
  - This bond is a weak attractive force between the slightly positive charge of the hydrogen atom of one molecule and slightly negative charge of another atom
  - Easily broken, but many together can be quite strong
- Help to maintain the proper structure and function of complex molecules such as proteins and DNA.

# Water Molecule



# The Chemistry of Water: Heat Capacity

- Water has a high heat capacity
  - Temperature = rate of vibration of molecules
  - Apply heat to liquid
    - Molecules bounce faster
    - Increases temperature
  - But, when heat applied to water
    - Hydrogen bonds restrain bouncing
    - Temperature rises more slowly per unit heat
    - Water at a given temp. has more heat than most liquids
- Thermal inertia resistance to temperature change
  - More heat required to raise water one degree than most other liquids (1 calorie per gram)
  - Also, more heat is extracted/released when lowering water one degree than most other liquids

## Properties of Water: Heat of Vaporization

#### High heat of vaporization

- To raise water from 98 to 99 °C; ~1 calorie
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- However, large numbers of hydrogen bonds must be broken to evaporate water
- To raise water from 100 to 101 °C; ~540 calories!
- This is why sweating (and panting) cools
  - Evaporative cooling is best when humidity is low because evaporation occurs rapidly
  - Evaporative cooling works poorest when humidity is high because evaporation occurs slowly

# **Evaporative Cooling of Animals**

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a. Calories lost when 1 g of liquid water freezes and calories required when 1 g of liquid water evaporates.



b. Bodies of organisms cool when their heat is used to evaporate water.

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## Properties of Water: Heat of Fusion

#### Heat of fusion (melting)

- To raise ice from -2 to -1 °C; ~1 calorie
- To raise water from -1 to 0 °C; ~1 calorie
- To raise water from 0 to 1 °C; ~80 calories!
- This is why ice at 0 °C keeps stuff cold MUCH longer than water at 1 °C
- This is why ice is used for cooling
  - NOT because ice is cold
  - But because it absorbs so much heat before it will warm by one degree

# Heat Content of Water at Various Temperatures

800 Gas Calories of Heat Energy / g 600 540 calories 400 200 Liquid 80 Solid 0 calories evaporation occurs freezing occurs 20 40 60 80 100 120 0 Temperature (°C)

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a. Calories lost when 1 g of liquid water freezes and calories required when 1 g of liquid water evaporates.

#### Properties of Water: Water as a Solvent

#### • Solutions consist of:

- A solvent (the most abundant part) and
- A solute (less abundant part) that is dissolved in the solvent
- Polar compounds readily dissolve; hydrophilic
- Nonpolar compounds dissolve only slightly; hydrophobic
- Ionic compounds dissociate in water

Na<sup>+</sup>

- Attracted to negative (O) end of H<sub>2</sub>O
- Each Na<sup>+</sup> completely surrounded by H<sub>2</sub>O
- Cl<sup>-</sup>
  - Attracted to positive (H<sub>2</sub>) end of H<sub>2</sub>O
  - Each Cl<sup>-</sup> completely surrounded by H<sub>2</sub>O

#### Properties of Water: Water as a Solvent



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# Properties of Water: Uniqueness of Ice

- Frozen water less dense than liquid water
  - Otherwise, oceans and deep lakes would fill with ice from the bottom up
  - Ice acts as an insulator on top of a frozen body of water
  - Melting ice draws heat from the environment

## Water as a Transport Medium



#### Density of Water at Various Temperatures



# A Pond in Winter



## Properties of Water: Cohesion & Adhesion

#### Cohesive and Adhesive

- Cohesion Hydrogen bonds hold water molecules tightly together i.e. allows water to flow freely without molecules separating.
- Adhesion Hydrogen bonds for between water and other polar materials
- Allow water be drawn many meters up a tree in a tubular vessel

#### High Surface Tension

- Water molecules at surface hold more tightly than below surface
- Amounts to an invisible "skin" on water surface
- Allows small nonpolar objects (like water strider) to sit on top of water <u>http://youtu.be/RphuMEUY3Og</u>

# pH of Water: Acids

- pH is a measure of the concentration of hydrogen ions
- When water ionizes or dissociates, it releases a small but equal number of hydrogen (H+) ions and hydroxide (OH-) ions
- Acids donate hydrogen ions
  - Dissociate in water and release hydrogen ions (H<sup>+</sup>)
    e.g. HCI → H+ + CI
    - Dissociation of HCI is almost total, therefore it is a strong acid
    - Sour to taste

# pH of Water: Bases

- Bases remove hydrogen ions
  - Either take up hydrogen ions (H<sup>+</sup>) or release hydroxide ions (OH<sup>-</sup>)
  - Bitter to taste
  - Sodium hydroxide is a solid with symbol NaOH
    - In water, it dissociates into Na<sup>+</sup> and OH<sup>-</sup>
    - Dissociation of NaOH is almost total, therefore it is a strong base

# pH Scale

- pH scale used to indicate acidity and alkalinity of a solution.
  - Values range from 0-14
    - 0 to <7 = Acidic
    - 7 = Neutral
    - >7 to 14 = Basic (or alkaline)
  - Logarithmic Scale
    - Each unit change in pH represents a change of 10X
    - pH of 4 is 10X as acidic as pH of 5
    - pH of 10 is 100X more basic than pH of 8

# The pH Scale

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# Buffers and pH

- When H<sup>+</sup> is added to pure water at pH 7, pH goes down and water becomes acidic
- When OH<sup>-</sup> is added to pure water at pH 7, pH goes up and water becomes alkaline
- Buffers are solutes in water that resist change in pH
  - When H<sup>+</sup> is added, buffer may absorb, or counter by adding OH<sup>-</sup>
  - When OH<sup>-</sup> is added, buffer may absorb, or counter by adding H<sup>+</sup>

# **Buffers in Biology**

- Health of organisms requires maintaining pH of body fluids within narrow limits
  - Human blood normally 7.4 (slightly alkaline)
  - Many foods and metabolic processes add or subtract H<sup>+</sup> or OH<sup>-</sup> ions
    - Reducing blood pH to 7.0 results in acidosis
    - Increasing blood pH to 7.8 results in alkalosis
    - Both life threatening situations
  - Bicarbonate ion (-HCO<sub>3</sub>) in blood buffers pH to 7.4

## Review

- Chemical Elements
  - Atoms
  - Isotopes
  - Molecules and Compounds
- Chemical Bonding
  - Ionic and Covalent
  - Hydrogen
- Properties of Water
  - Acids and Bases