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## 5.111 Lecture Summary #9

**Readings for today:** Section 1.14 (1.13 in 3<sup>rd</sup> ed) – Electronic Structure and the Periodic Table, Section 1.15, 1.16, 1.17, 1.18, and 1.20 (1.14, 1.15, 1.16, 1.17, and 1.19 in 3<sup>rd</sup> ed) - The Periodicity of Atomic Properties.

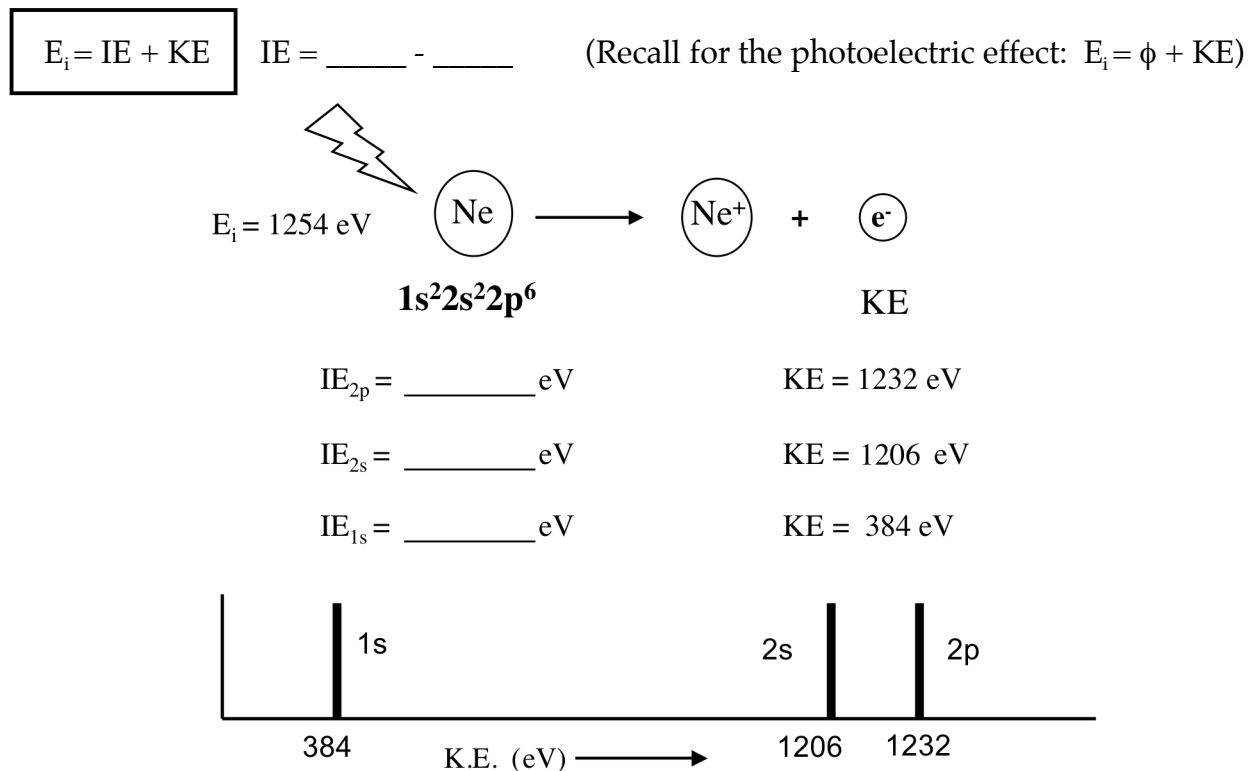
**Read for Lecture #10:** Sections 2.14-2.16 (2.15-2.17 in 3<sup>rd</sup> ed) - The Strengths and Lengths of Covalent Bonds, Section 2.5 (2.6 in 3<sup>rd</sup> ed) – Lewis Structures, Sections 2.6 (2.7 in 3<sup>rd</sup> ed) – Lewis Structures for Polyatomic Species.

**Exam 1:** Complete exam information will be provided in Lecture 10.

- Topics:**
- I. Photoelectron spectroscopy
  - II. The periodic table / periodic trends
    - A. Ionization energy (IE)
    - B. Electron affinity (EA)
    - C. Electronegativity
    - D. Atomic radius
  - III. Isoelectronic atoms and ions

### I. PHOTOELECTRON SPECTROSCOPY (PES)

PES can determine orbital energies directly. (Similar concept to photoelectric effect!)



Each line on the spectrum corresponds to a different initial orbital energy from which electrons were ejected.

Orbital E in multi-electron atoms depend on two quantum numbers, \_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_.

**PES Example:** If a certain element being studied by x-ray photoelectron spectroscopy displays an emission spectrum with 5 *distinct* kinetic energies. What are all of the possible elements that could produce this spectrum?

- First, determine the orbitals that the spectral lines are originating from:  
\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.
- The elements that have electrons in (only) these orbitals are  
\_\_\_\_\_.

## II. THE PERIODIC TABLE / PERIODIC TRENDS

**1869 Dmitri Mendeleev** (Russian, 1834-1907) introduced a periodic table based on reoccurring physical properties and chemical properties of the elements. He left space for missing elements (1/3 naturally occurring elements were unknown!) Some examples of grouping by properties:

- Li, Na, and K were originally grouped together in a column because they are all soft, malleable, reactive metals.
- He, Ne, and Ar were grouped together because of their inertness.

Elements that are in the same column have related valence electron configurations:

- Li, Na, and K have \_\_\_\_\_ valence  $e^-$  in an s-state.
- He, Ne, and Ar have \_\_\_\_\_ shells.

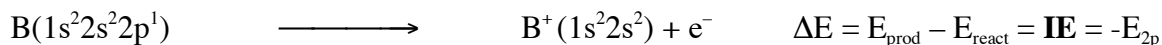
## PERIODIC TRENDS

### A. IONIZATION ENERGY (IE)

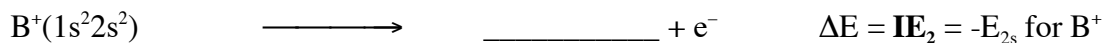
IE is the minimum energy required to remove an electron from an atom. IE refers to the **first IE** unless otherwise specified.

IE = \_\_\_\_\_ (binding energy) of the most weakly bound electron.

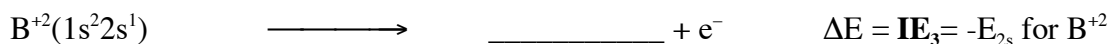
Ionization energy definitions:



IE  $\equiv$  first IE: energy to remove an  $e^-$  from the HOAO (highest occupied atomic orbital).

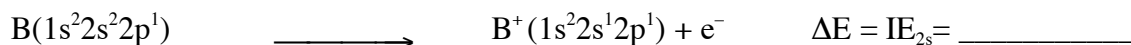
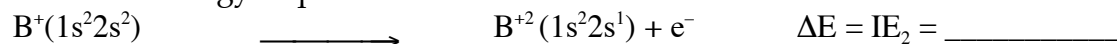


$IE_2$   $\equiv$  second ionization energy.  $IE_2$  is always higher than the first IE.



$IE_3$   $\equiv$  third ionization energy

Consider the energy required to remove electrons from the 2s orbital from  $B^+$  and B:



Are these two  $\Delta E$ 's equal? \_\_\_\_\_

A 2s-electron in the  $B^+$  ion has less shielding.

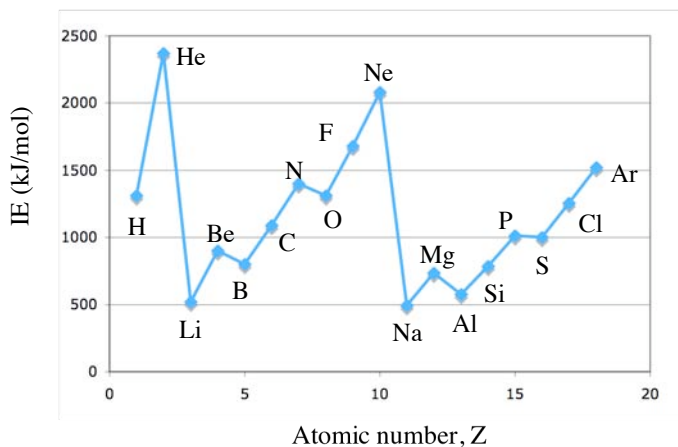
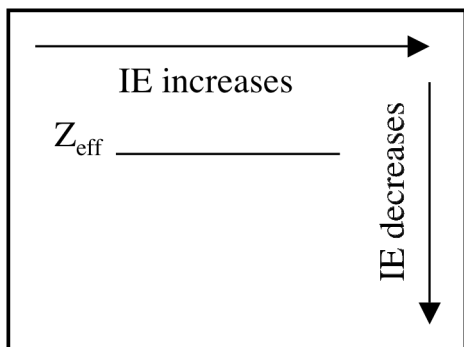
- It therefore feels a \_\_\_\_\_  $Z_{\text{eff}}$  and
- requires \_\_\_\_\_ energy to be pulled away from the nucleus.

Periodic trends in ionization energy:

**Across a row**, IE \_\_\_\_\_.  $Z$  increases, but  $n$  (the shell) stays constant. The outermost  $e^-$  is bound more tightly to the nucleus and requires more  $E$  to be ejected.

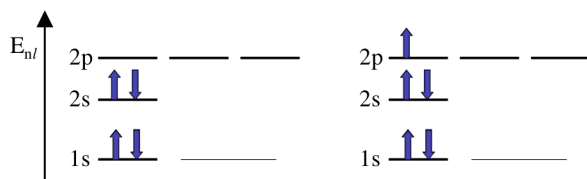
**Down a column**, IE \_\_\_\_\_. Although  $Z$  increases as you go down a column, so does  $n$ . Shells are well-separated in space, so electrons in larger  $n$  are farther away from the nucleus. A large distance from the nucleus dominates over the increased  $Z$ , making electrons less strongly bound and therefore decreasing IE.

General trends



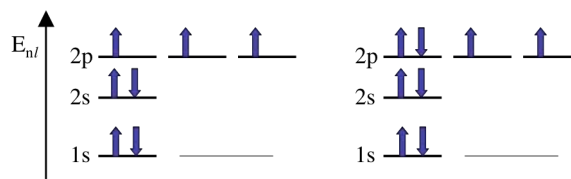
Some "glitches" in the trend occur due to subshell structure:

for example,  $IE_B < IE_{Be}$



The BE gained by increased Z in B doesn't compensate for extra energy required to reach p state, so IE of B lower than for Be.

$IE_O < IE_N$



The BE gained by increased Z in O doesn't compensate for repulsion between  $2e^-$ s in same state.

### B. ELECTRON AFFINITY (EA or $E_{ea}$ )

The ability of an atom (or ion) to gain electrons:  $\text{_____} + e^- \Rightarrow \text{_____}$

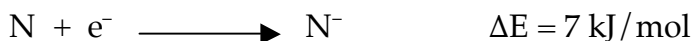


energy is released --- ion is \_\_\_\_\_ stable than atom

Electron affinity, EA, is defined as  $\boxed{EA = -\Delta E}$

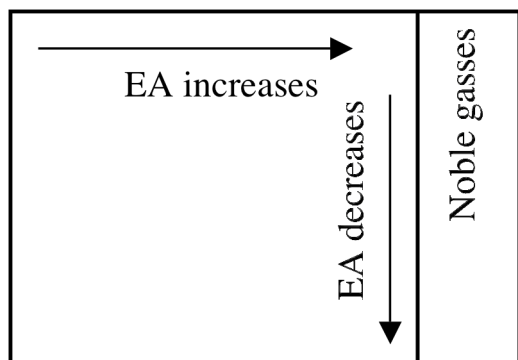
So, EA for Cl is  $EA = \text{_____ kJ/mol}$

Unlike IE (which is always positive), EA can be positive or negative.



So  $EA = -7 \text{ kJ/mole}$  for N --- the  $-1$  ion is \_\_\_\_\_ stable than atom

General trends in EA:



- Noble gases (group VIII) have \_\_\_\_\_ EA because addition of an electron would require occupying a new shell.
- Halogens (group VII) have the largest EA's because the extra  $e^-$  fills a "hole" in the p-subshell to give a complete shell.

### C. ELECTRONEGATIVITY ( $\chi$ )

Electronegativity is the net ability of an atom to attract an electron from another atom. Linus Pauling first proposed this idea in 1932. His electronegativity scales are in general use today.

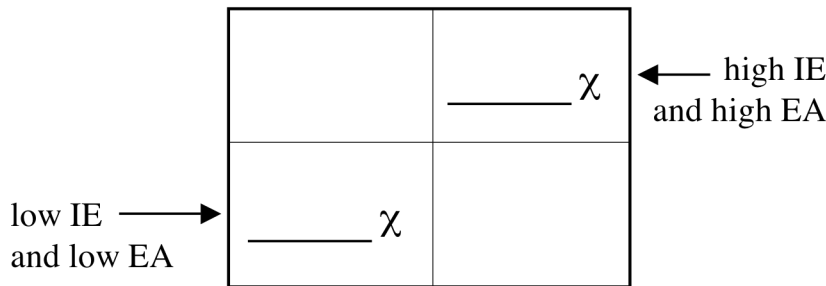
Mulliken's electronegativity scale developed 2 years later is conceptually easier.

electronegativity ( $\chi$ )  $\propto$  \_\_\_\_\_ ( \_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_ )

An atom with high electronegativity is an electron \_\_\_\_\_ .

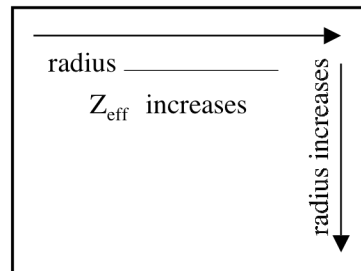
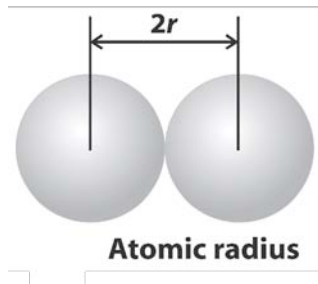
An atom with low electronegativity is an electron \_\_\_\_\_ .

General trends for electronegativity:



#### D. ATOMIC RADIUS

The atomic size is defined as the value of  $r$  below which 90% of electron density is contained. This is the atomic radius.



#### The role of atomic radius in ion channel selectivity :

##### Ion channels

- \* regulate the influx of ions into cells.
- \* enable rapid electric signaling in neurons.

**Regulation and selectivity are essential.**

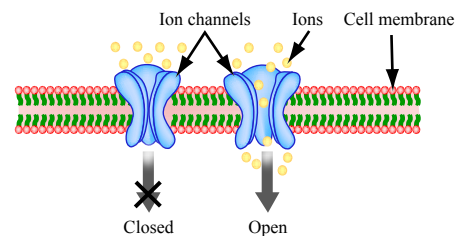


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Sodium ion channels are selective for  $\text{Na}^+$  in the presence of other ions, including  $\text{K}^+$ . Sodium channels include a tiny pore ( $\sim 0.4$  nm wide) that is *just* wide enough to accommodate a sodium ion and associated water molecule. Too small for potassium!

### III. ISOELECTRONIC - having same electron configuration

For example, all  $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6$  ions are isoelectronic with Ne.

\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, Ne, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_



larger radius than  
neutral parent



smaller radius than  
neutral parent