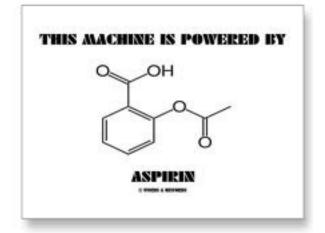
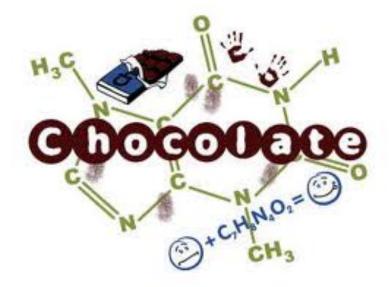
Molecules





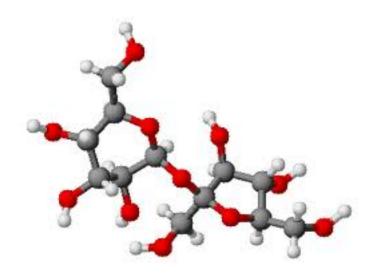






Molecules

- The smallest particle of a substance
- Composed of 2 or more atoms held together by chemical bonds



Common Molecules

- H_2O water
- CH₄ Methane
- $C_9H_8O_4$ Aspirin
- $C_8H_{10}N_4O_2$ Caffeine









Chemical Formulas

- Subscript shows the number of atoms of a particular element
- Coefficient shows the number of molecules

$3CH_4$

3 methane molecules

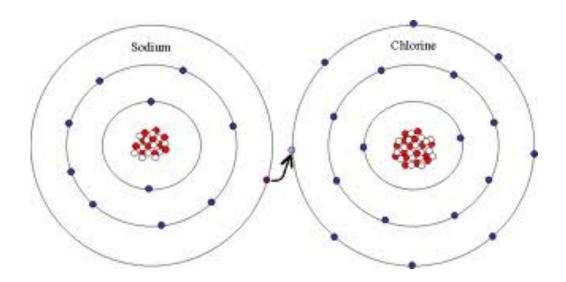
1 carbon atom and 4 hydrogen atoms for each methane molecule

3 carbons atoms and 12 hydrogen atoms

15 total atoms.

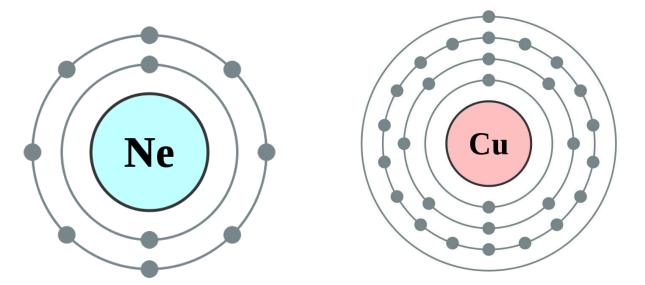
Chemical Bonds

Force that hold two atoms together.



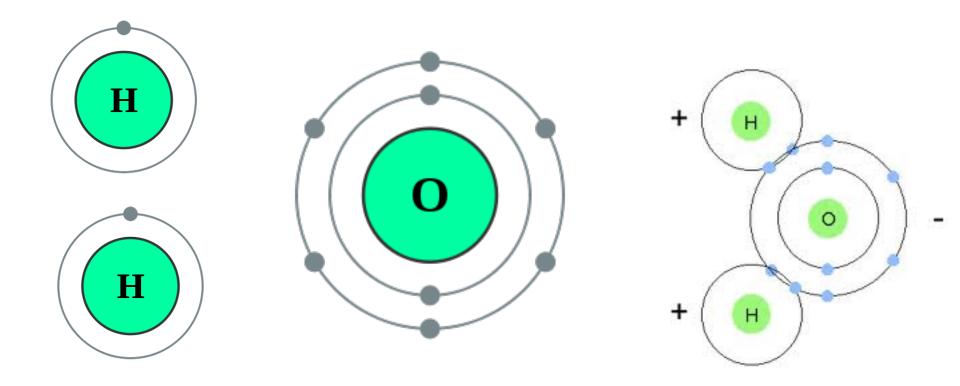
Valence Shells

- If the valence shell of an atom is full, it is stable and does not react easily with other atoms
- Unstable atoms react with other atoms to become stable.



Covalent Bond

- Formed when two atoms share an electron
- Weaker than ionic bonds

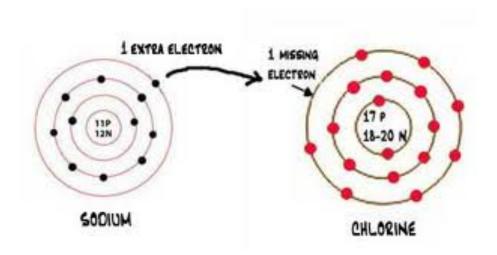


Examples of Covalent Bonds

- Carbon dioxide CO₂
- Water H₂O
- Methane CH₄
- Hydrogen molecule H₂

Ionic Bonds

 When one atom loses an electron to another atom, the losing atom becomes a positive ion and the gaining atom becomes a negative ion and the two atoms are bonded by attraction.



Examples of Ionic Bonds

- Salt NaCl
- Magnesium Oxide MgO
- Calcium Chloride CaCl
- Sodium Fluoride NaFl







