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Atoms (elements)

The smallest particles of ordinary matter.

• Atomic symbol = a one or two letter abbreviation for each of the types of atoms

Table 2.1

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Atom	<u>Symbol</u>
Carbon	С
Hydrogen	Н
Oxygen	0
Nitrogen	Ν
Calcium	Ca
Phosphorus	Р
Sodium	Na
Potassium	K
Chlorine	Cl
Sulfur	S
Iron	Fe
Magnesium	Mg

Table 2.1

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Basic Chemistry

Molecule (compound)

Two or more atoms joined together

• Bond = The force that joins one atom to another

 $\sqrt{\text{Bonds}}$ are usually shown as a line linking the atoms

 $\sqrt{\text{Example molecules:}}$

H H	П О
Oxygen Water Ammo	onia Carbon dioxide

Fig 2.11

Molecular formula

A way to write a molecule

• All the atomic symbols of the atoms in the molecule are written together, with small numbers to show how many of each atom there are:

Example: $H_2O = a$ molecule of water. It is made of two hydrogen atoms and one oxygen atom

• A large number in front of the molecular formula shows how many molecules are present:

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Example: 3H_2O = Three water molecules
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Subatomic particles

The particles that atoms are made out of

• Protons, neutrons, and electrons.

Particle:	Location:	Electric <u>charge:</u>
Proton (p ⁺)	Nucleus	+1
Neutron (n)	Nucleus	0
Electron (e ⁻)	Orbital	-1

Fig 2.4

Atoms start out with equal numbers of electrons and protons, so their overall electrical charge adds up to zero.

• Atoms can gain or lose electrons

Ion

An electrically charged atom or molecule

• Atoms become ions by gaining or losing electrons

 $\sqrt{\text{Charge}} = -1$ for every electron gained

 $\sqrt{\text{Charge}} = +1$ for every electron lost

- The electric charge is shown in the upper right
- Examples:

Na+Cl-Mg2+Ca2+H+K+OH- (hydroxide ion) PO_4^{3-} (phosphate ion)HCO_3^- (bicarbonate ion)

Fig 2.13

Electrostatic attraction

The attraction between opposite electrical charges

Ionic bond

A bond formed by the electrostatic attraction between a positive ion and a negative ion

• Water can break most ionic bonds (separate the ions)

Fig 2.13

Covalent bond

A bond formed when two atoms share a pair of electrons

- Each atom contributes one electron to the shared pair
- Covalent bonds are shown as a dash between the atoms

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Polar covalent bond

A covalent bond where one atom pulls more strongly on the electron pair than the other atom

- Oxygen and Nitrogen are strong electrons pullers
 - $\sqrt{}$ They become partially negative (shown as δ^{-}) because the electron pair moves closer to them

 $\sqrt{}$ The other atom in the polar bond becomes partially positive (shown as δ^+) because the electron pair moves away from it

• Four common polar covalent bonds:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \delta^{-} & \delta^{+} \\ O - H \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} \delta^{-} & \delta^{+} \\ O - C \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} \delta^{-} & \delta^{+} \\ N - H \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} \delta^{-} & \delta^{+} \\ N - C \end{bmatrix}$$

Fig 2.12

Non-polar covalent bond

A covalent bond where the electron pair is shared evenly

• Non-polar covalent bonds have no partial charges

• Examples:
$$C - H$$
 $C - C$

§ Be able to assign proper partial charges to the atoms in a molecule

Temperature

The kinetic energy (movement energy) of a substance's molecules

• The higher the temperature, the faster the molecules are moving

Chemical reaction

When molecules are changed (their atoms are rearranged into new molecules)

• Chemical reactions are written in this way:

a) All the reactants (old molecules) are written on the left

b) An arrow is written in the middle

c) All the products (new molecules) are written on the right.

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