

Chapter 2

ATOMIC STRUCTURE AND INTERATOMIC BONDING

Electronegativity

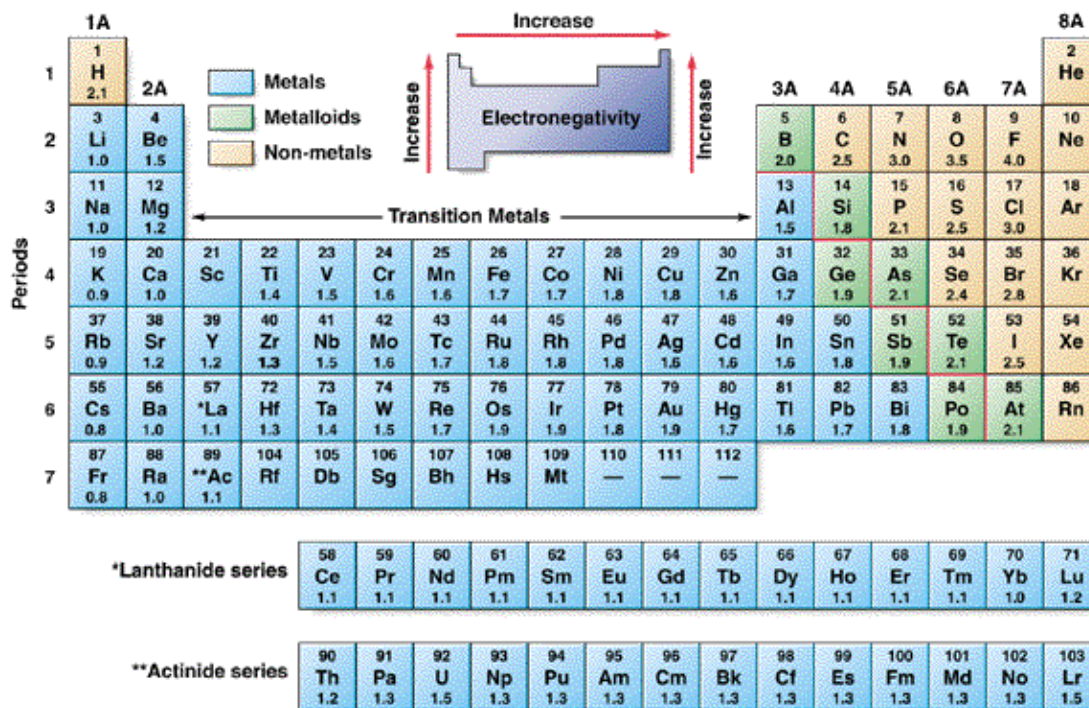
- **Electronegativity**, symbol χ , is a chemical property that describes the ability of an atom to attract electrons towards itself in a covalent bond. First proposed by Linus Pauling in 1932 as a development of valence bond theory, it has been shown to correlate with a number of other chemical properties.
- Electronegativity cannot be directly measured and must be calculated from other atomic or molecular properties. Several methods of calculation have been proposed and, although there may be small differences in the numerical values of the electronegativity, all methods show the same periodic trend between elements.
- The difference in electronegativity between atoms A and B is given by:

$$\chi_A - \chi_B = (\text{eV})^{-1/2} \sqrt{E_d(\text{AB}) - [E_d(\text{AA}) + E_d(\text{BB})]/2}$$

where the dissociation energy, E_d , of the A–B, A–A and B–B bonds are expressed in electron volts, the factor $(\text{eV})^{-1/2}$ being included to ensure a dimensionless result. Hence, the difference in Pauling electronegativity between hydrogen and bromine is 0.7 (dissociation energies: H–Br, 3.79 eV; H–H, 4.52 eV; Br–Br 2.00 eV)

ELECTRONEGATIVITY

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Figure 3.7



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Electropositive elements:
Readily give up electrons
to become + ions.

Electronegative elements:
Readily acquire electrons
to become - ions.

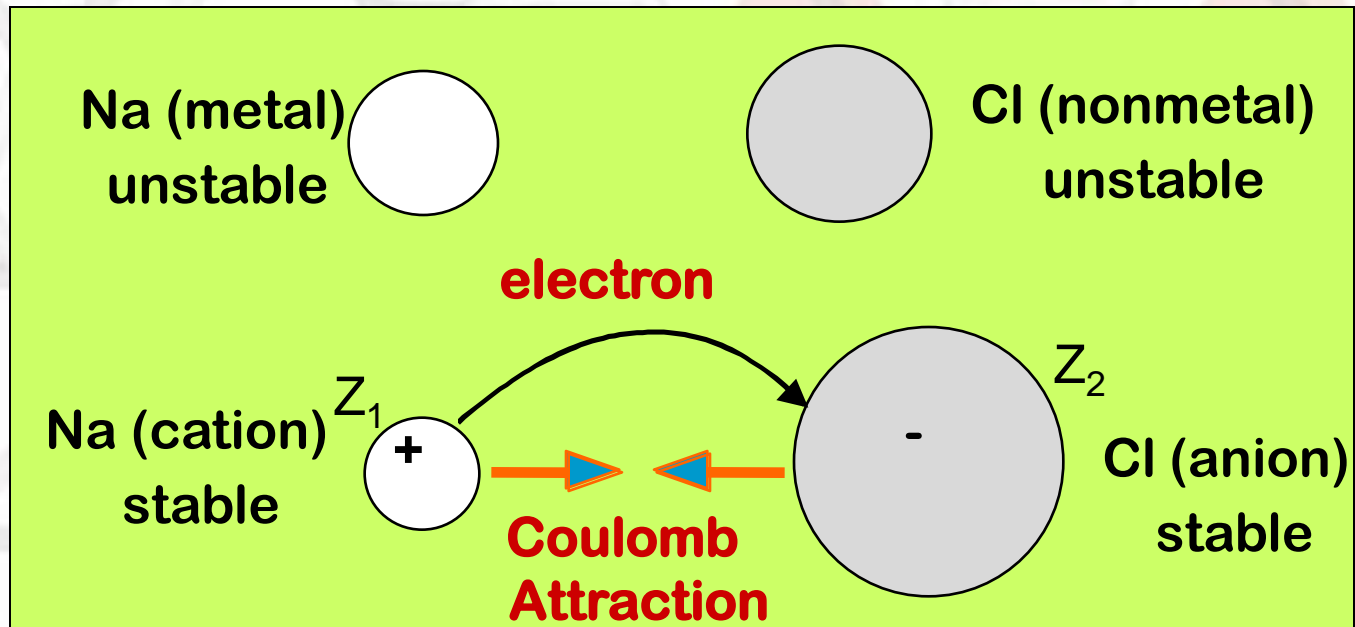
EXAMPLES: IONIC BONDING

IA																		0
1																		2
H																		He
2.1																		-
3	4																	10
Li	Be																	Ne
1.0	1.5																	-
11	12																	18
Na	Mg																	Ar
0.9	1.2																	-
																		36
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	Kr
K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br		-
0.8	1.0	1.3	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.6	1.6	1.8	2.0	2.4	2.8		-
37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	Xe
Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I		-
0.8	1.0	1.2	1.4	1.6	1.8	1.9	2.2	2.2	2.2	1.9	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.1	2.5		-
55	56	57-71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	Rn
Cs	Ba	La-Lu	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At		-
0.7	0.9	1.1-1.2	1.3	1.5	1.7	1.9	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.4	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.2		-
87	88	89-102																
Fr	Ra	Ac-No																
0.7	0.9	1.1-1.7																

- **Ionic bonding energy** is relatively **large**:
600-1500 kJ/mol (3-8 eV/atom; $1\text{eV}=1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$)
- The ionic materials typically have **high melting point**, are **hard** and **brittle** as well as electrically and thermally **insulators**
- Example: **Ceramics** (MgO, SiO₂ etc.)

IONIC BONDING (1)

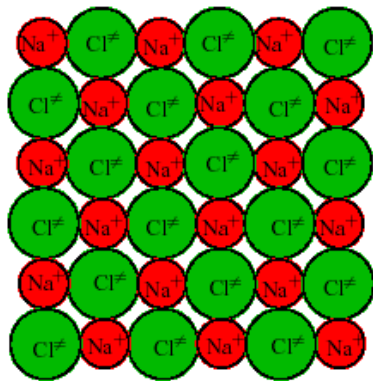
- Occurs between + and - ions.
- Requires **electron transfer**.
- Large difference in electronegativity required.
- Example: NaCl



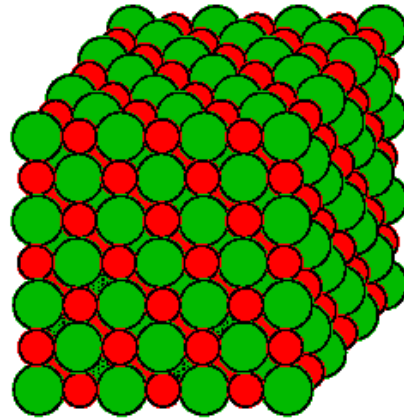
$$E_A = \frac{(Z_1 e)(Z_2 e)}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{1}{r}$$

ϵ_0 – a vacuum permittivity ($8.85 \cdot 10^{-12}$ F/m)

IONIC BONDING (2)



(a)



(b)

Fig. 1.9: (a) A schematic illustration of a cross section from solid NaCl. NaCl solid is made of Cl⁻ and Na⁺ ions arranged alternately so that the oppositely charged ions are closest to each other and attract each other. There are also repulsive forces between the like-ions. In equilibrium the net force acting on any ion is zero. (b) Solid NaCl.

Strong, brittle materials

High melting points

Soluble in polar liquids like water

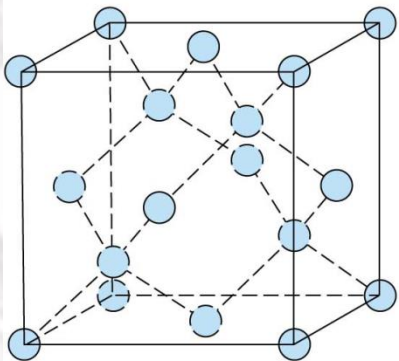
Electrical isolators

Low thermal conductivity

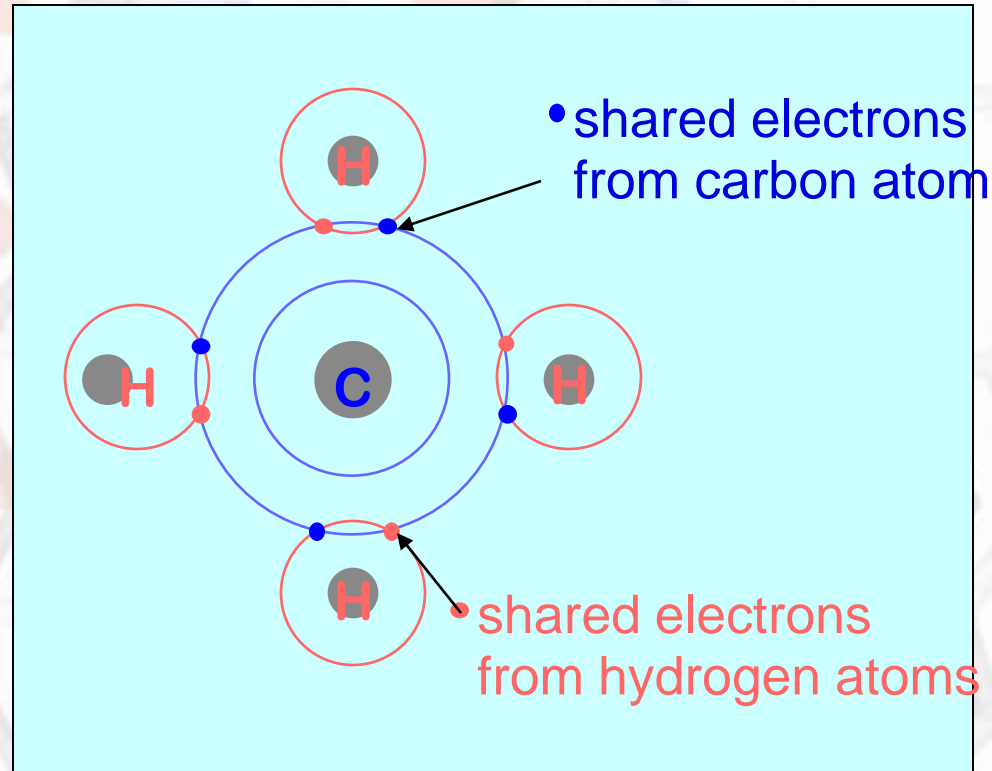
COVALENT BONDING (1)

- Requires **shared electrons**
- Electronegativities are **comparable**
- The number of covalent bonds that is possible for a specific atom is determined by **number of valance electrons** (N_v):
Number of covalent bonds = $8 - N_v$

Examples: Carbon – $N_v=4$ → Number of covalent bonds = $8 - 4 = 4$



● c



Methane (CH₄): Carbon has 4 **valence e** and needs 4 more, while H has 1 **valence e**, and needs 1 more

Diamond: each carbon atom covalently bonds with 4 other C atoms.

COVALENT BONDING (2)

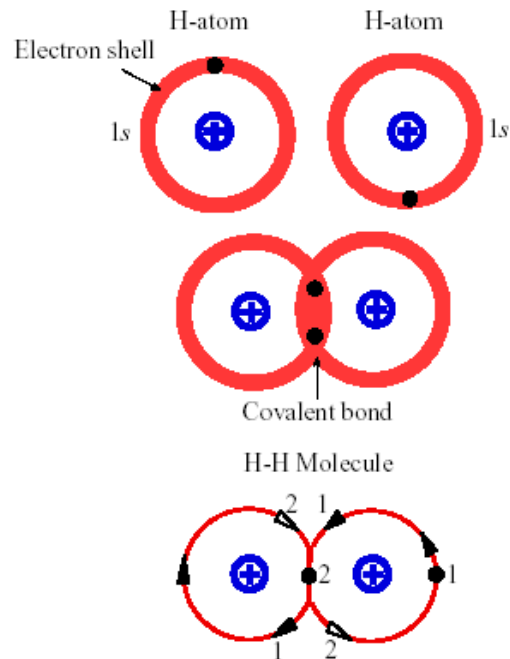


Fig. 1.4: Formation of a covalent bond between two H atoms leads to the H_2 molecule. Electrons spend majority of their time between the two nuclei which results in a net attraction between the electrons and the two nuclei which is the origin of the covalent bond.

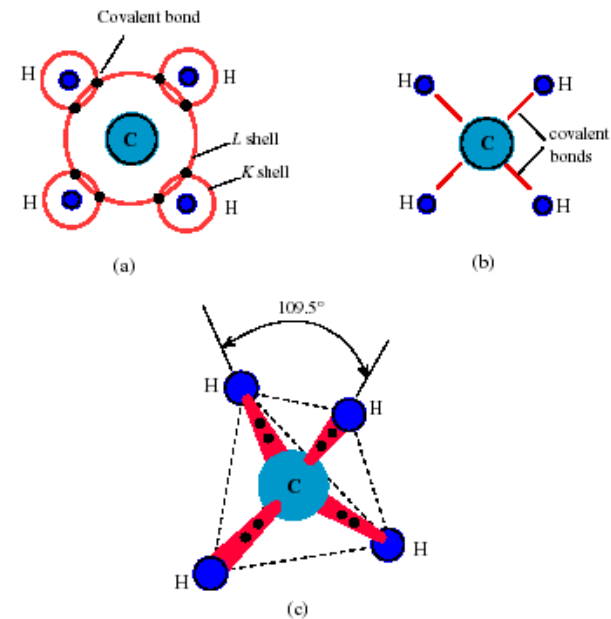
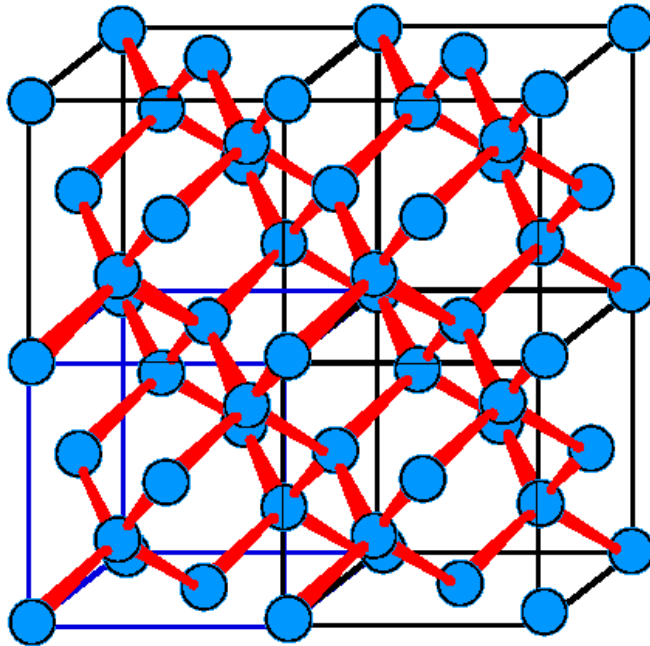


Fig. 1.5: (a) Covalent bonding in methane, CH_4 , involves four hydrogen atoms sharing electrons with one carbon atom. Each covalent bond has two shared electrons. The four bonds are identical and repel each other. (b) Schematic sketch of CH_4 on paper. (c) In three dimensions, due to symmetry, the bonds are directed towards the corners of a tetrahedron.

COVALENT BONDING (3)



Covalent Bonds are strong:

- Hard material
- High melting points
- Insoluble in most solvents
- Nonmalleable
- Poor conductors

Fig. 1.6: The diamond crystal is a covalently bonded network of carbon atoms. Each carbon atom is bonded covalently to four neighbors forming a regular three dimensional pattern of atoms which constitutes the diamond crystal.

Mixing Bonds

- Very few compounds exhibit pure ionic or covalent bonding
- The degree of either bond type depends on the **different** in their **electronegativities** (i.e. relative element position in the periodic table):
 - the greater the difference in electronegativity – the more ionic bond
 - the smaller the difference in electronegativity (i.e. closer the atoms together in periodic table) – the greater the degree of covalent bonds.

To estimate the % of ionic bonds between elements A and B one can use the following expression:

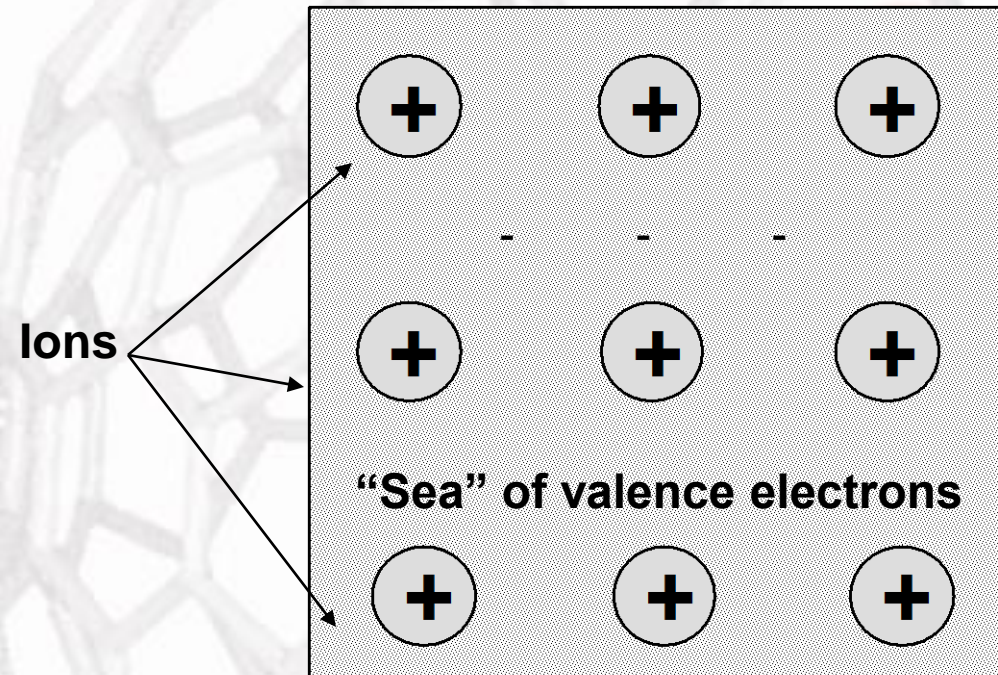
$$\% \text{ ionic character} = \{1 - \exp[-0.25(X_A - X_B)^2]\} \times 100$$

where X_A and X_B are elements electronegativity.

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METALLIC BONDING (1)

- Arises from a sea of **donated valence electrons** (1, 2, or 3 from each atom).



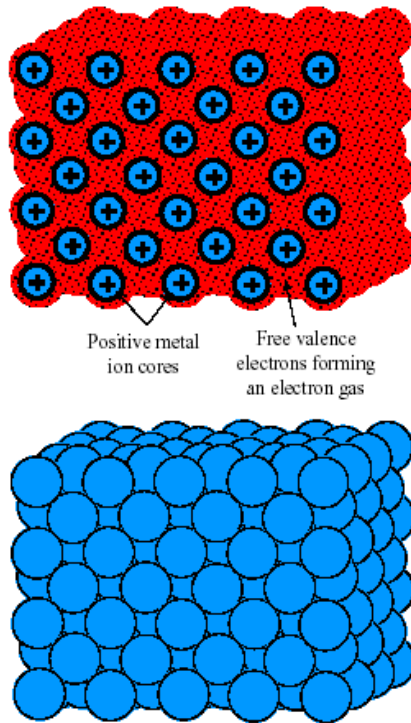
- Metallic bonding: for **Group IA and IIA** of periodic table and all metals

Bonding energy: **wide range**
 $E(\text{Hg}) = 0.7 \text{ eV/at}$ $E(\text{W}) = 8.8 \text{ eV/at}$

- Properties: good electro/thermal conductors (electron "sea"!) and ductile materials (Chapter 7)

- Primary bond for **metals** and their **alloys**

METALLIC BONDING (2)



Delocalized valence electrons

Electron gas or cloud

Non-directional bonds

Close-packed ions with
electron glue

Thus metals are:

Ductile

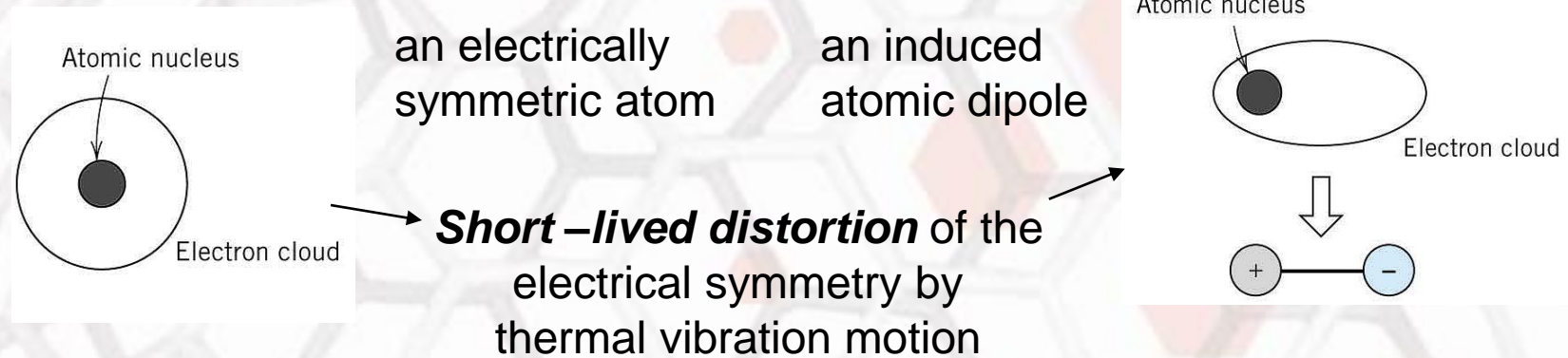
High electrical conduction

High thermal conduction

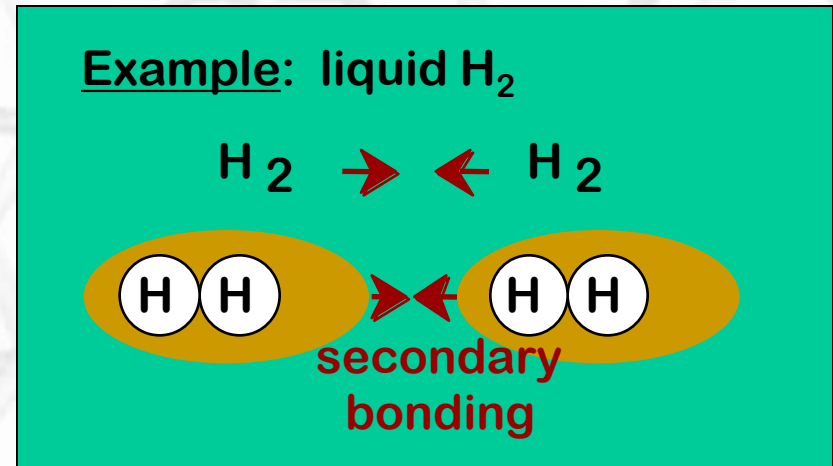
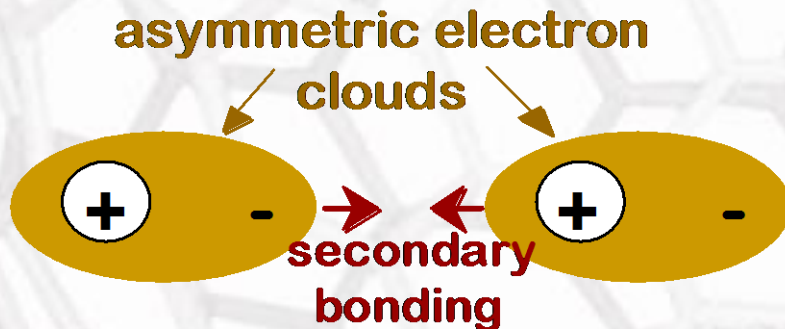
Fig. 1.7: In metallic bonding the valence electrons from the metal atoms form a "cloud of electrons" which fills the space between the metal ions and "glues" the ions together through the coulombic attraction between the electron gas and positive metal ions.

SECONDARY (van der Waals) BONDING (1)

- Arises from interaction between **dipoles**
- **Weak** physical bonding: $E \sim 0.1$ eV/atom

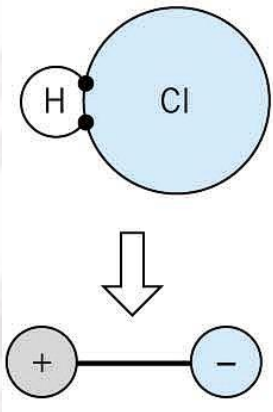


- **Fluctuating-induced dipoles** bonding



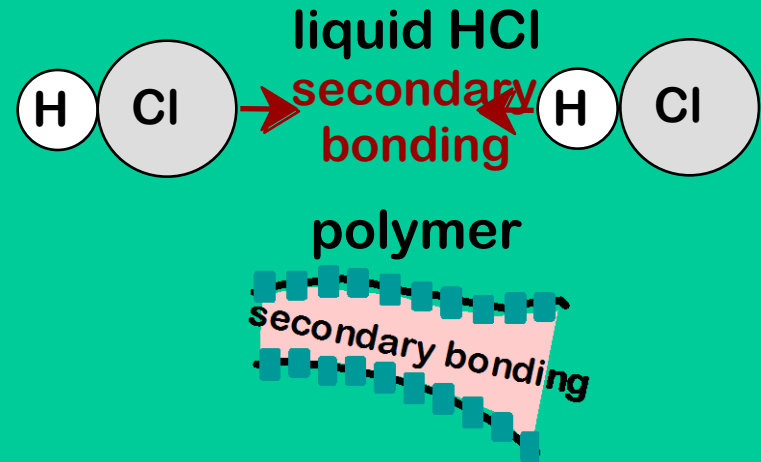
SECONDARY (van der Waals) BONDING (2)

- **Permanent dipoles** - molecule induced

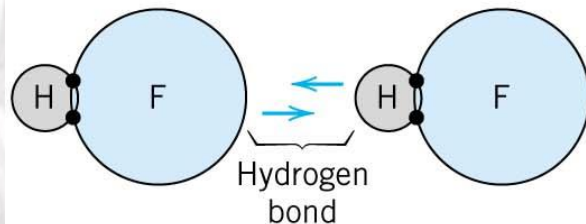


Asymmetrical arrangement of the electrical field for **polar** molecules

Examples:



- Special and the strongest ($E \sim 0.5 \text{ eV/atom}$) type of polar molecule bond is so-called **hydrogen bond**



In molecule where H is covalently bonded (i.e. **shared** electron) to Fluorine (e.g. HF), Oxygen (e.g. H₂O) and nitrogen (e.g. NH₃). The H end of the molecule is highly **positively** charged – provides strong attractive interaction with the **negative** end of the adjacent molecule.

SECONDARY (van der Waals) BONDING (3)

Permanent dipoles

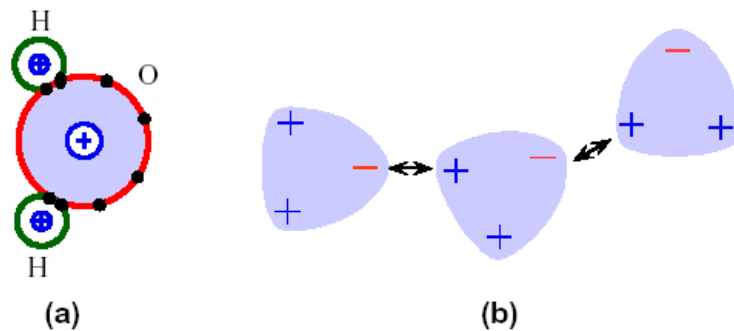


Fig. 1.12: The origin of van der Waals bonding between water molecules. (a) The H_2O molecule is polar and has a net permanent dipole moment. (b) Attractions between the various dipole moments in water gives rise to van der Waals bonding.

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Induced dipoles

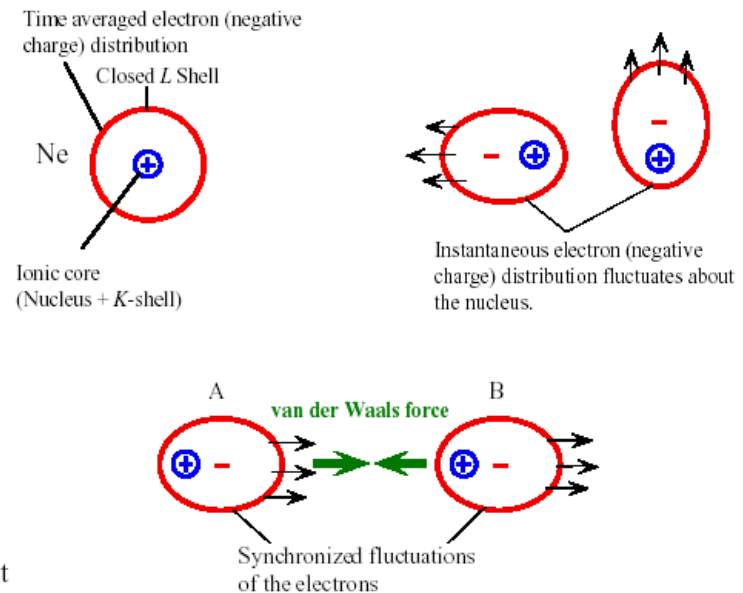
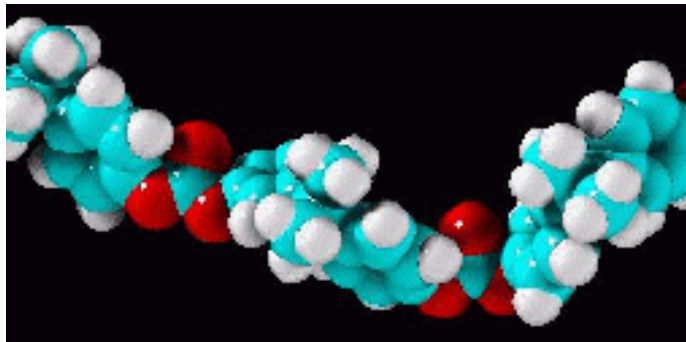


Fig. 1.13: Induced dipole-induced dipole interaction and the resulting van der Waals force.

POLYMERS

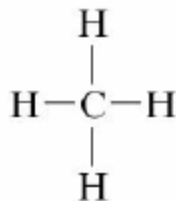
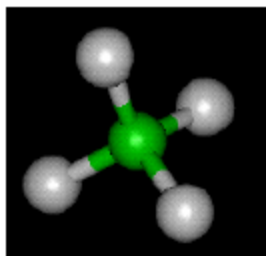
- A **polymer** is a macromolecule (long molecules) built (covalently bonded !!) of small units called “mer” (from the Greek word *meros* meaning part).
- The small units are repeated successively throughout the macromolecule chain.
- The smallest unit is the **monomer** (a single *mer* unit).
- In turn these long molecules are bonded together by weak Van der Waals and hydrogen (secondary) bonds, or plus covalent cross-links.



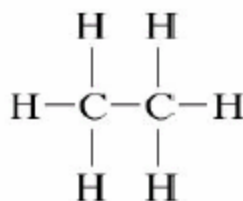
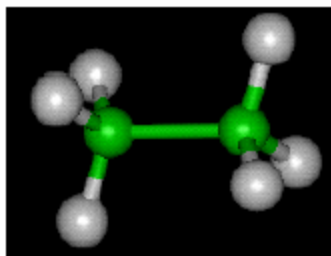
THE STRUCTURE of POLYMERS:

Hydrocarbon Molecules

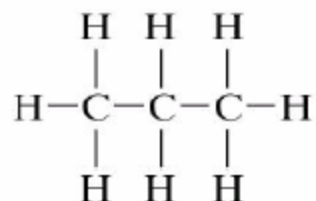
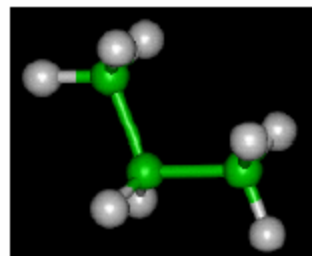
- Most polymers are organic, and formed from hydrocarbon molecules
- Each C atom has four e- that participate in bonds, each H atom has one bonding e-
- Attachment of different organic groups to the hydrocarbon backbone offers wide variety of possible polymers
- Examples of **saturated** (all bonds are single ones) hydrocarbon molecules (of type C_nH_{2n+2})



Methane, CH_4



Ethane, C_2H_6



Propane, C_3H_8

Comparison of Different Atomic Bonds

	Typical Solids	Bond Energy eV/atom	Melt. Temp. (°C)	Elastic Modulus (GPa)	Density (g cm ⁻³)	Typical Properties
Ionic	NaCl, (rock salt) MgO, (magnesia)	3.2 10	801 2852	40 250	2.17 3.58	Generally electrical insulators. May become conductive at high temperatures. High elastic modulus. Hard and brittle but cleavable. Thermal conductivity less than metals.
Metallic	Cu Mg	3.1 1.1	1083 650	120 44	8.96 1.74	Electrical conductor. Good thermal conduction. High elastic modulus. Generally ductile. Can be shaped.
Covalent	Si C (diamond)	4 7.4	1410 3550	190 827	2.33 3.52	Large elastic modulus. Hard and brittle. Diamond is the hardest material. Good electrical insulator. Moderate thermal conduction, though diamond has exceptionally high thermal conductivity.
van der Waals: Hydrogen bonding	PVC, (polymer) H ₂ O, (ice)	- 0.52	212 0	4 9.1	1.3 0.917	Low elastic modulus. Some ductility. Electrical insulator. Poor thermal conductivity. Large thermal expansion coefficient.
van der Waals: Induced dipole	Crystalline Argon	0.09	-189	8	1.8	Low elastic modulus. Electrical insulator. Poor thermal conductivity. Large thermal expansion coefficient.

SUMMARY: BONDING

Type	Bond Energy	Comments
Ionic	Large!	Nondirectional (ceramics)
Covalent	Variable large-Diamond small-Bismuth	Directional (semiconductors , ceramics polymer chains)
Metallic	Variable large-Tungsten small-Mercury	Nondirectional (metals)
Secondary	smallest	Directional inter-chain (polymer) inter-molecular