

CHE1031 Lab Exercise: Naming Chemical Compounds

Predicting Ionic Charge:

Use group numbers to predict ionic charge as shown below.

Transition metals have varying charges & cannot be predicted this way.

Main groups																	
1A ^a	2A		Transition metals										Main groups				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
H 1.00794	He 4.00260	Li 6.941	Be 9.01218	B 10.811	C 12.011	N 14.0067	O 15.9994	F 18.998403	Ne 20.1797	Na 22.98977	Mg 24.305	Al 26.98154	Si 28.0855	P 30.97376	S 32.066	Cl 35.4527	Ar 39.948
K 39.0983	Ca 40.078	Sc 44.9559	Ti 47.88	V 50.9415	Cr 51.9961	Mn 54.9380	Fe 55.847	Co 58.9332	Ni 58.6934	Cu 63.546	Zn 65.39	Ga 69.723	Ge 72.61	As 74.9216	Se 78.96	Br 79.904	Kr 83.80
Rb 85.4678	Sr 87.62	Y 88.9059	Zr 91.224	Nb 92.9064	Mo 95.94	Tc (98)	Ru 101.07	Rh 102.9055	Pd 106.42	Ag 107.8682	Cd 112.411	In 114.82	Sn 118.710	Sb 121.757	Te 127.60	I 126.9045	Xe 131.29
Cs 132.9054	Ba 137.327	La 138.9055	Hf 178.49	Ta 180.9479	W 183.85	Re 186.207	Os 190.2	Ir 192.22	Pt 195.08	Au 196.9665	Hg 200.59	Tl 204.3833	Pb 207.2	Bi 208.9804	Po (209)	At (210)	Rn (222)
Fr (223)	Ra 226.0254	Ac 227.0278															
+1	+2											+3	-3	-2	-1		

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Naming Chemical Compounds:

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There are three distinct naming systems, so your first task is determining what type of compound you're dealing with:

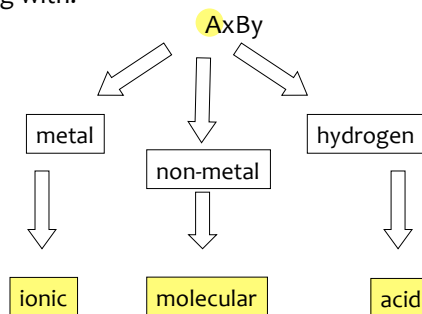
Ionic - metal + non-metal

Acid - H is always the first element

Molecular - only non-metals

So all you have to do is identify the first element in the compound as a metal, hydrogen or a non-metal.

Metals are on the West Coast.
Non-metals are on the East Coast.



Think learning three different systems is tough? Try memorizing each of the 1500 commonly used chemical, or all 5 MILLION.

Naming tutorial on the web @

www.towson.edu/~yau/NomenclatureTutorial.htm

Are these examples ionic, acid or molecular?

$\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_2$	ionic	HBrO_3	acid
XeO_3	molecular	$\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO}_3)_3$	ionic
$\text{Cu}(\text{NO}_3)_2$	ionic	SO_3	molecular
H_3PO_4	acid	CO_2	molecular
SF_6	molecular	$\text{Cd}(\text{II})(\text{ClO}_4)_2$	ionic
CaHCO_3	ionic	N_2O_4	molecular
$\text{Sn}(\text{II})\text{F}_2$	ionic	HBr	acid
P_4S_6	molecular	IF_5	molecular
HF	acid	HClO_3	acid
HCN	acid	$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4$	ionic

Naming Cations:

Cations are positively charged ions - most often **metals**.

With one exception, cations are monoatomic.

Cations are named for the element they are derived from.

Transition metals (the Midwest) must include charge as (Roman numerals).

Na ⁺¹	sodium ion
Mg ⁺²	magnesium ion
Fe ⁺²	iron (II) ion
Al ⁺³	aluminum ion
Cu ⁺¹	copper (I) ion
Sr ⁺²	strontium ion
Mn ⁺²	manganese (II) ion
Cs ⁺¹	cesium ion
Ca ⁺²	calcium ion
Sn ⁺²	tin (II) ion
Cr ⁺³	chromium (III) ion
NH ₄ ⁺¹	<u>ammonium</u> ion

Element names can be found in the table below the periodic table on the front cover of your text.

Naming MONOATOMIC Anions:

Anions are negatively charged ions formed from non-metals. (a negative ion)

Anions can be either mono- or polyatomic.

Monoatomic anions consist of a single element (can have multiple copies).

Anions get the root name of their element + -ide suffix.

_____ -ide

F ⁻¹	fluoride ion
P ⁻³	phosphide ion
O ⁻²	oxide ion
Cl ⁻¹	chloride ion
N ⁻³	nitride ion
I ⁻¹	iodide ion
Br ⁻¹	bromide ion
S ⁻²	sulfide ion

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Naming POLYATOMIC Anions:

Polyatomic anions are combinations of a more than one non-metal atom.

Generally, a non-metal & one or more oxygen atom(s).

Naming? Root name of the non-oxygen atom with a suffix:

- **hypo** ____-ite less than fewer
- **-ite** fewer oxygen atoms
- **-ate** more oxygen atoms
- **per** _____-ate even more oxygen atoms

NO_2^{-1}	nitrite ion
NO_3^{-1}	nitrate ion
ClO_1^{-1}	hypochlorite ion
ClO_2^{-1}	chlorite ion
ClO_3^{-1}	chlorate ion
ClO_4^{-1}	perchlorite ion
HCO_3	hydrogen carbonate

Unfortunately, there is no fixed pattern for polyatomic naming.

Just distinct groups or families.

Get to Know POLYATOMIC Families:

NH_4^+	ammonium	$\text{Cr}^?$	chromium (x)	Memorize these!	
AsO_4^{-3}	arsenate	CrO_4^{-2}	chromate		
		$\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{-2}$	dichromate		
		MnO_4^{-1}	permanganate		
$\text{C}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2^{-1}$	acetate	NO_2^{-1}	nitrite	S^{-2}	sulfide
CN^{-1}	cyanide	NO_3^{-1}	nitrate	SO_3^{-2}	sulfite
SCN^{-1}	thiocyanate			SO_4^{-2}	sulfate
CO_3^{-2}	cabonate	O_2^{-2}	peroxide	HSO_3^{-1}	hydrogen sulfite
HCO_3^{-1}	hydrogen carbonate	OH^{-1}	hydroxide	SCN^{-1}	thiocyanate
Cl^{-1}	chloride	PO_4^{-3}	phosphate		
ClO^{-1}	hypochlorite	HPO_4^{-2}	hydrogen phosphate		
ClO_2^{-1}	chlorite	$\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^{-1}$	dihydrogen phosphate		
ClO_3^{-1}	chlorate				
ClO_4^{-1}	perchlorate				

What about formulas of ionic compounds?

All molecules (ionic, molecular, or acid) have a net charge of zero.
So total positive and negative charges must be equal - must cancel out.

How do you ensure a net zero charge?

Use subscripts to balance positive & negative charges.

CatxAny^{zero}

Mg Cl	1, 2	Sr SO ₄	1, 1
Na O	2, 1	Cr ClO ₃	1, 3
N F	1, 3	Li PO ₄	3, 1
Ba Br	1, 2	Ca NO ₃	1, 2
Fe S	1 (II), 1	Cs BrO ₃	1, 1??
Ni N	3, 2	Fe CO ₃	1 (II), 1

Three steps:

1. Assign ionic charges
2. Cross charges down to the other ion
3. Use these as subscripts for that ion

Ionic formulas are always empirical formulas.

If you are given a cation and anion and are asked to give the formula, you can write ONLY the empirical formula (i.e. ratio of elements).

How?

- The net sum of compounds must be zero.
- Each ion has a given charge.
- **You** must determine what **#** of each ion the compound must have for a net charge of zero.

Ionic compounds have ONLY empirical formulas !!

Al and Cl ions	1 & 3	Na and PO ₄ ions	3 & 1
Al and O ions	2 & 3	Zn and SO ₄ ions	1 (I) & 1
Mg and NO ₃ ions	1 & 2	Fe and CO ₃ ions	1 (II) & 1

So... back to naming ionic compounds.

Naming ionic compounds is fairly straightforward.

Name the cation first, and the anion second

- together they make up the name

NEVER include the **subscript numbers** in the name.

Mg Cl	magnesium chloride	Sr SO ₄	strontium sulfate
Na O	sodium oxide	Cr ClO ₃	chromium chlorate
N F	nitrogen fluoride	Li PO ₄	lithium phosphate
Ba Br	barium bromide	Ca NO ₃	calcium nitrate
Fe S	iron (II) sulfide	Cs BrO ₃	cesium bromate
Ni N	nickel (III) nitride	Fe CO ₃	iron (II) carbonate

Naming MOLECULAR compounds is much easier.

Remember that a molecular compound is: a combination of two non-metals.

Elements are named from left to right (as found in the periodic table):

- Left-hand element gets the element name.
- Right-hand element is named for its root + -ide suffix.

Molecular compounds use Greek prefixes to 'name' subscript numbers.

mono	1
di	2
tri	3
tetra	4
penta	5
hexa	6
hepta	7
octa	8
nona	9
deca	10

Both elements get prefixes
EXCEPT when there is only
a single atom of the first element.

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(Net charge of molecular compounds is still zero.)

C_2O_2	dicarbon dioxide
CO_2	carbon dioxide
CO	monocarbon monoxide

NOTE: It's difficult to predict the formula of molecular compounds.

P_4S_{10}	tetraphosphorous decaulfide	SO_2	sulfur dioxide
Cl_2O	dichloride monoxide	PCl_5	phosphorous pentachloride
N_2O_4	dinitrogen tetroxide	S_2Cl_2	disulfur dichloride
NF_3	nitrogen trifluoride	$SiBr_4$	silicon tetrabromide

Names of ACIDS are based on anion names.

Remember that acids are compounds that can donate protons (H^+).

Acid formulas always **begin with H**: HCl , HBr , H_2SO_4

Since all acids have protons, names are based on the anion name.

MONOatomic acids: **hydro root -ic acid**

HCl	hydrochloric acid
HBr	hydrobromic acid
H_2S	hydrosulfuric acid
HF	hydrofluoric acid

POLYatomic acids: change the suffix & add the word acid (no hydro-)

- -ate --> **-ic acid**
- -ite --> **-ous acid**

H_2SO_3	sulfurous acid	$HClO$	hypochlorous acid
H_2SO_4	sulfuric acid	$HClO_2$	chlorous acid
		$HClO_3$	chloric acid
		$HClO_4$	perchloric acid