# Forming Compounds

>Atoms bond to form **stable octets** -- filled p&s orbitals in the highest energy level

>When a bond is formed, energy is released (heat, light).

To undo a bond, you must put in energy -called the **bond energy** and is measured in kJ/mol

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#### Ionic Bonds

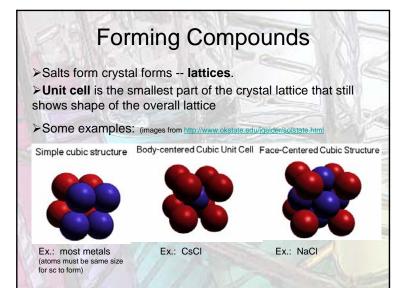
>An ionic bond in NaCI:

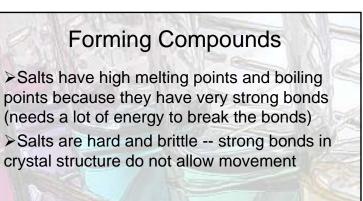
- Na gives up one electron (becomes 2s<sup>2</sup>2p<sup>6</sup>)
- CI gains one electron (becomes 3s<sup>2</sup>3p<sup>6</sup>)
- Both get a stable octet

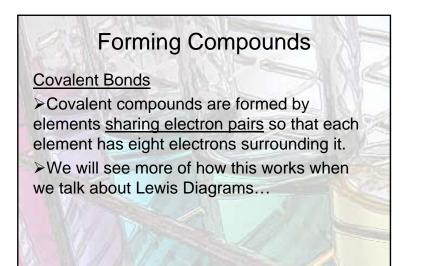
Ionic bonds happen between oppositely charged ions

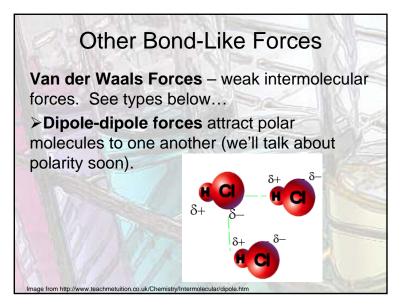
>Ionic compounds are electrically neutral

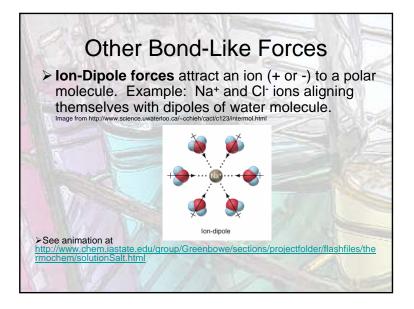
**Salts** are ionic compounds containing ions other than H<sup>+</sup>, OH<sup>-1</sup>, O<sup>-2</sup>

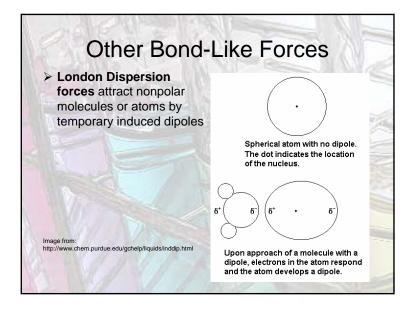


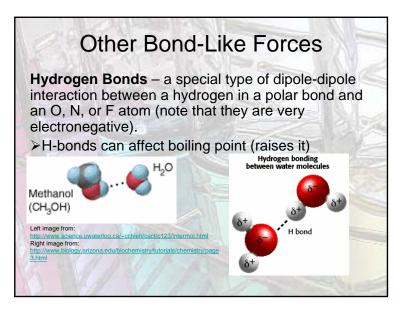


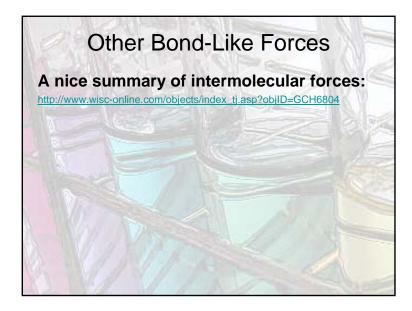












### Polarity

How can you tell if a bond or molecule is ionic or covalent? You can use electronegativity.

≻Here are the rules:

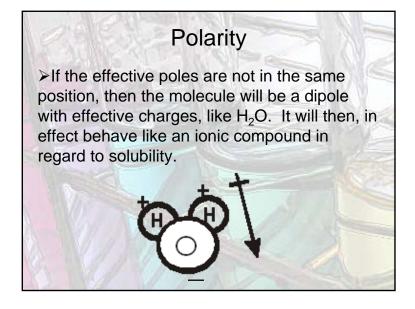
>If the difference in electronegativities of the two elements is greater than 1.7, then the bond is <u>ionic</u>.

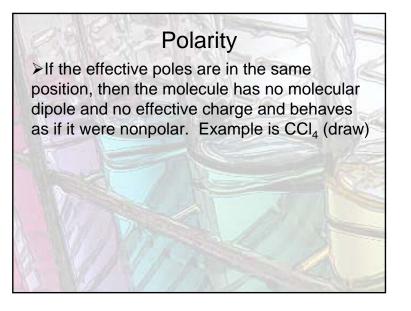
The compound will have a crystal lattice
Soluble in polar solvents, insoluble in nonpolar solvents

### Bond Polarity

If the difference in electronegativities of the two elements is between 0.4 and 1.7, then the bond is <u>polar covalent</u>. You can then slice up that category into 3 sections and have weakly polar, polar, and strongly polar covalent categories.

Polarity If the difference in electronegativities of the two elements is less than 0.4, then the bond is <u>nonpolar covalent</u> . ➤ The substance will be soluble in nonpolar solvents and insoluble in polar solvents.				
	Nonpolar Covalent	Polar Covalent	Ionic	
λ	<0.4	0.4-1.7	>1.7	10





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Keep in mind that the definition of polar/nonpolar is a spectrum – it ranges from zero polarity to more and more polar. Chemists set the boundaries and definitions. For example, a bond with an electroneg. difference of 1.65 is defined as polar covalent, but is it that different than a bond with electronegativity difference of 1.75? No. They would actually have very similar properties even though one would be defined as covalent and the other defined as ionic.