

# Ionization Energy Questions

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1. \* See glossary \*

2. a)  $O^{2-} 1s^2 2s^2 2p^6^{-2}$   
b)  $F^{-1} 1s^2 2s^2 2p^6^{-1}$   
c) Ne  $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6$   
d)  $Na^{+1} 1s^2 2s^2 2p^6$   
e)  $Mg^{+2} 1s^2 2s^2 2p^6^{+2}$

3. isolectric

4. stable ion is isolectric w/ a noble gas. You can recognize this by a full s + p orbital (He is  $1s^2$ )

5. stable ions include  $Ca^{2+}, P^{3-}, Na^{+1}, Cl^-$

6. noble gases have the  $\uparrow$  test I.E. b/c they are already in a stable  $e^-$  arrangement  $\therefore$  do NOT want to become unstable so their pull on valence  $e^-$  is strong.

7. Noble gases are stable  $\therefore$  they do not need to gain (anions) or lose (cations)  $e^-$ .

8. The most stable ion would have a charge of +2 so that it could be isolectric with Ne full s + p orbitals.

9. # of  $p^+$   $\uparrow$  as you move left to right across a period  $\therefore$  the Zeff  $\uparrow$  causing valence  $e^-$  to be held more tightly which will require more E to remove them.

10. Be  $[He] 2s^2$  vs. Li  $[He] 2s^1$ . Be has a full 2s orbital which is a more stable  $e^-$  arrangement

than a half-full s orbital. So more  $E$  would be required to remove an  $e^-$  from a full orbital than to remove an  $e^-$  from a half-full orbital.

- II. a) lowest  $IE = \{1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^1\}$  n=3 is half-full  
b) inert gas =  $\{1s^2 2s^2 2p^6\}$  valence has full s & p  
c) increasing  $1^{st} IE = \text{ii, i, iv, iii, v}$   
d) highest 2<sup>nd</sup>  $IE = \{1s^2 2s^1\}$  1<sup>st</sup>  $IE$  results in [Ne]  
e) lowest 2<sup>nd</sup>  $IE = \{1s^2 2s^1\}$  2<sup>nd</sup>  $IE$  results in half-full p ( $2p^3$ )

### Atomic Radius Questions

1. Size of an atom is determined by first the principal quantum number ( $n$ ), and second by  $Z_{eff}$ .
  2. a) Across a period atomic radius  $\downarrow$
  - b) Down a group atomic radius  $\uparrow$
3. a) An atom with  $n=2$  will be smaller than an atom with  $n=3$   
b)  $Z_{eff}$  is used to determine differences in size  
c) When determining the size of an atom you need to know  $n$  and  $Z_{eff}$  (i.e. sub-level info  $s^1$  vs  $s^2$  etc)
4. a) Mg is larger b/c its  $Z_{eff}$  is less than Al so its valence  $e^-$  will be located further from the nucleus than Al.  
b) Mg is larger than Be b/c Mg valence  $e^-$  are located in the 3s orbit vs Be which is in the 2s. As  $n \uparrow$  A.R.  $\uparrow$

5. Cations are smaller than their neutral atom b/c cations will have a greater  $Z_{eff}$  as they have lost  $e^-$  but not  $p^+$  so the ratio  $\uparrow p^+ : \downarrow e^-$  causing valence  $e^-$  to be pulled closer to the nucleus (i.e. smaller) (3)

6. Anions are larger than their neutral atom b/c anions will have a smaller  $Z_{eff}$  as they have gained  $e^-$  but not  $p^+$  so the ratio is  $\downarrow p^+ : \uparrow e^-$  causing valence  $e^-$  to move further away from the nucleus (i.e. larger)

7. a) Na is larger than Li b/c  $Na = [Ne]3s^1$  vs  $Li = [He]$   
b) Both Na & Mg are  $n=3$  but Na has  $11p^+$  vs Mg has  $12p^+$ .  $\therefore$  Na has a lower  $Z_{eff}$  so it will be larger.  
c) Na will be larger than  $Na^+$  b/c  $Na^+$  valence  $e^-$  is now  $2p^6$  w/  $Na 3s^1$

8. a) Ne smaller than Na b/c Ne  $n=2$  vs Na  $n=3$   
A.R.  $\uparrow$  as  $n \uparrow$

b) Ne would be larger than  $Na^+$  b/c they both have  $e^-$  in the same energy level ( $n=2$ ) but  $Na^+$  would have more  $p^+$  in its nucleus;  
 $\therefore$  its  $Z_{eff}$  would be higher causing  $Na^+$  to be slightly smaller than Ne.