

82 THE NATURE OF COVALENT BONDING

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Section Review

Objectives

- State a rule that usually tells how many electrons are shared to form a covalent bond
- Describe how electron dot formulas are used
- Predict when two atoms are likely to be joined by a double or a triple covalent bond
- Distinguish between a single covalent bond and other covalent bonds
- Describe how the strength of a covalent bond is related to its bond dissociation energy
- Describe how resonance structures explain bonding
- Identify some exceptions to the octet rule

Vocabulary

- single covalent bond
- structural formulas
- unshared pairs
- double covalent bonds
- triple covalent bonds
- coordinate covalent bond
- polyatomic ion
- bond dissociation energy
- resonance structures

Part A Completion

Use this completion exercise to check your understanding of the concepts and terms that are introduced in this section. Each blank can be completed with a term, short phrase, or number.

- When atoms share electrons to gain the 1 configuration of a noble gas, the bonds formed are 2. A 3 pair of valence electrons constitutes a 4 covalent bond. Pairs of valence electrons that are not shared between atoms are called 5. Sometimes two or three pairs of electrons may be shared to give 6 covalent bonds. In some cases, only one of the atoms in a bond provides the pair of bonding electrons; this is a 7. 8 is required to break covalent bonds between atoms. The total energy required to break the bond between two covalently bonded atoms is known as the 9.
- When it is possible to write two or more valid electron dot formulas for a molecule or ion, each formula is referred to as a 10.

Part B True-False NT look up.

- Classify each of these statements as always true, AT; sometimes true, ST; or never true, NT.
- ST 11. The modern interpretation of resonance is that electron pairs rapidly flip back and forth between the various electron dot structures.
- NT 12. The compound NH_3 contains two double covalent bonds.
- AT 13. The chemical formulas of molecular compounds show the number and type of atoms in each molecule.
- AT 14. A molecule of bromine has six unshared pairs of electrons.
- ST 15. Carbon forms four single covalent bonds with other atoms.
- NT 16. A bond in which one atom contributes both bonding electrons is called a polyatomic covalent bond.

Part C Matching

Match each description in Column B to the correct term in Column A.

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| Column A | Column B |
| <u>E</u> 17. single covalent bond | a. a chemical formula that shows the arrangement of atoms in a molecule or a polyatomic ion |
| <u>A</u> 18. structural formula | b. the amount of energy required to break a covalent bond between atoms |
| <u>B</u> 19. bond dissociation energy | c. a tightly bound group of atoms that has a positive or negative charge and behaves as a unit |
| <u>C</u> 20. polyatomic ion | d. a covalent bond in which one atom contributes both bonding electrons |
| <u>D</u> 21. coordinate covalent bond | e. a chemical bond in which only one pair of electrons is shared by two bonded atoms |

Part D Questions and Problems

Answer the following in the space provided.

22. Draw electron dot structures for each of the following compounds
- a. Br_2
- b. HCN
- c. NH_4^+
- $\text{H} \times \text{C} :: \text{N} :: \text{H} \Rightarrow \text{H}-\text{C} \equiv \text{N} :$
- $:\ddot{\text{Br}} \times \ddot{\text{Br}} \times \text{ or } :\ddot{\text{Br}} - \ddot{\text{Br}}:$
- $\text{H} \times \text{N} \times \text{H}$
- $\left[\begin{array}{c} \text{H} \\ | \\ \text{H}-\text{N}-\text{H} \\ | \\ \text{H} \end{array} \right]^+$