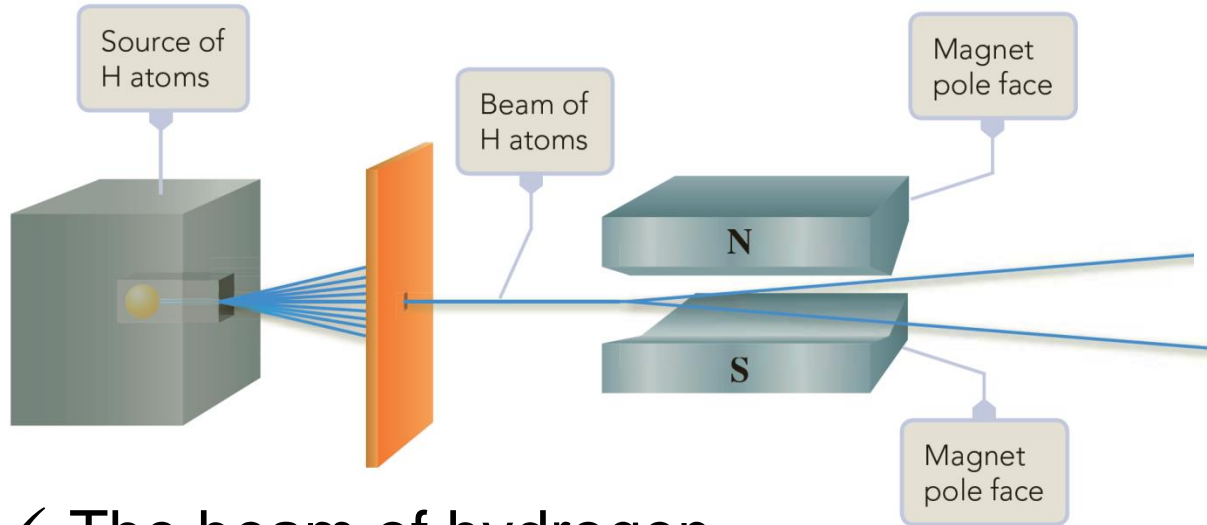


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# Electron Configurations and Periodicity

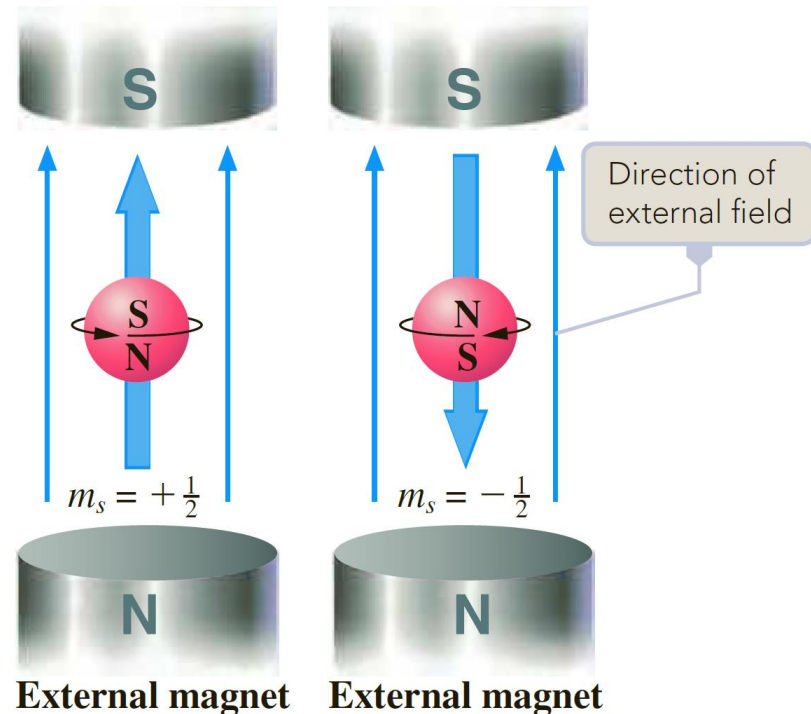
# 8.1 Electron Spin and the Pauli Exclusion Principle



## The Stern–Gerlach experiment

$$m_s = +1/2$$

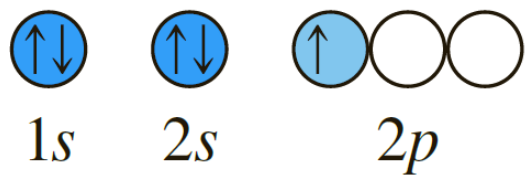
$$m_s = -1/2$$



- ✓ The beam of hydrogen atoms is split into two by the magnetic field.
- ✓ Half of the atoms are bent in one direction and half in the other.
- ✓ The fact that the atoms are affected by the external magnet shows that they themselves act as magnets.

# ➤ Electron Configurations and Orbital Diagrams

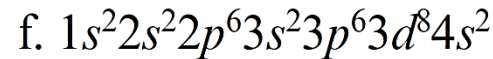
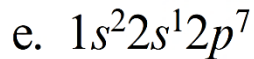
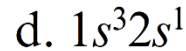
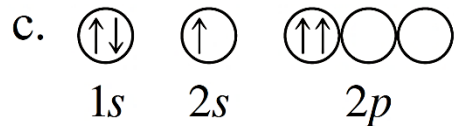
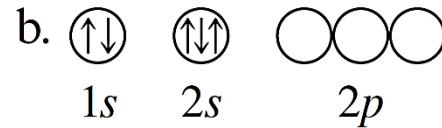
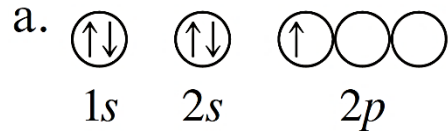
- ✓ An **electron configuration** of an atom is a *particular distribution of electrons among the available subshells*.
- ✓ A subshell consists of a group of orbitals having the same  $n$  and  $l$  quantum numbers but different  $m_l$  values.
- ✓  ${}_5\text{B}$ :  $1s^2 2s^2 2p^1$
- ✓ An electron in an orbital is shown by an arrow; the arrow points up when  $m_s = +1/2$  and down when  $m_s = -1/2$ .
- ✓ The orbital diagram of B is:



## ✓ Pauli Exclusion Principle

*No two electrons in an atom can have the same four quantum numbers.*

(Q) Which of the following orbital diagrams or electron configurations are possible and which are impossible, according to the Pauli exclusion principle? Explain



### ➤ Building-Up Principle (Aufbau Principle)

✓ *lowest energy orbitals are filled first* : 1s, then 2s, then 2p, then 3s, then 3p, etc.

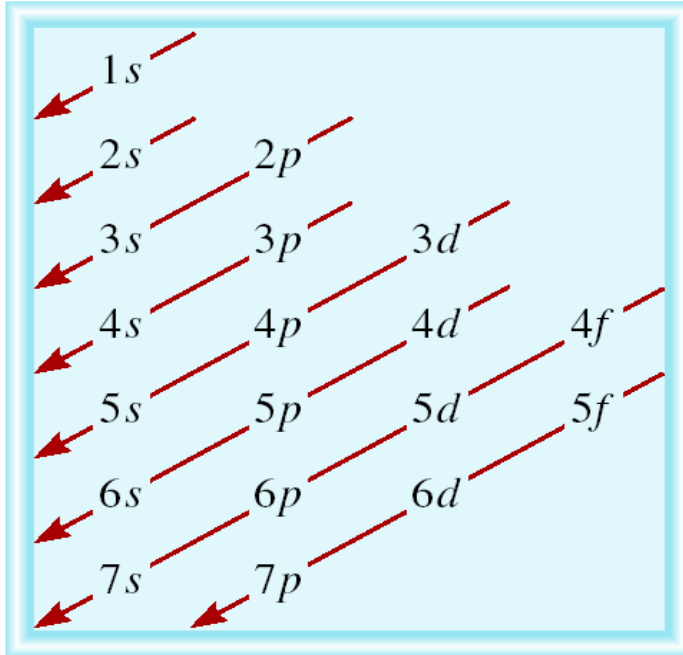
✓ Following this principle, you obtain the electron configuration of an atom by successively filling subshells in the following order: 1s, 2s, 2p, 3s, 3p, **4s**, **3d**, 4p, **5s**, **4d**, 5p, 6s, 4f, 5d, 6p, 7s, 5f.

# ➤ Electron Configurations and the Periodic Table

Order of orbitals (filling) in multi-electron atom

helium	$1s^2$		
neon	$1s^2 2s^2 2p^6$		
argon	$1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6$		
krypton	$1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 3d^{10} 4s^2 4p^6$		
beryllium	$1s^2 2s^2$	or	$[\text{He}]2s^2$
magnesium	$1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2$	or	$[\text{Ne}]3s^2$
calcium	$1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 4s^2$	or	$[\text{Ar}]4s^2$
boron	$1s^2 2s^2 2p^1$	or	$[\text{He}]2s^2 2p^1$
aluminium	$1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^1$	or	$[\text{Ne}]3s^2 3p^1$
gallium	$1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 3d^{10} 4s^2 4p^1$	or	$[\text{Ar}]3d^{10} 4s^2 4p^1$

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- ✓ **noble-gas core:** *an inner-shell configuration corresponding to one of the noble gases.*
- ✓ **valence electron:** *An electron in an atom outside the noble-gas or pseudo-noble-gas core.*

# Main-Group Elements

s subshell fills

# Main-Group Elements

p subshell fills

1  
**H**  
1s<sup>1</sup>  
Atomic number  
Symbol  
Valence-shell configuration

	1 1A		Transition Metals d subshell fills										13 3A					14 4A					15 5A					16 6A					17 7A					18 8A			
1	1 <b>H</b> 1s <sup>1</sup>		2 2A												5 <b>B</b> 2s <sup>2</sup> 2p <sup>1</sup>					6 <b>C</b> 2s <sup>2</sup> 2p <sup>2</sup>					7 <b>N</b> 2s <sup>2</sup> 2p <sup>3</sup>					8 <b>O</b> 2s <sup>2</sup> 2p <sup>4</sup>					9 <b>F</b> 2s <sup>2</sup> 2p <sup>5</sup>					10 <b>Ne</b> 2s <sup>2</sup> 2p <sup>6</sup>	
2	3 <b>Li</b> 2s <sup>1</sup>		4 <b>Be</b> 2s <sup>2</sup>												13 <b>Al</b> 3s <sup>2</sup> 3p <sup>1</sup>					14 <b>Si</b> 3s <sup>2</sup> 3p <sup>2</sup>					15 <b>P</b> 3s <sup>2</sup> 3p <sup>3</sup>					16 <b>S</b> 3s <sup>2</sup> 3p <sup>4</sup>					17 <b>Cl</b> 3s <sup>2</sup> 3p <sup>5</sup>					18 <b>Ar</b> 3s <sup>2</sup> 3p <sup>6</sup>	
3	11 <b>Na</b> 3s <sup>1</sup>		12 <b>Mg</b> 3s <sup>2</sup>		3 3B	4 4B	5 5B	6 6B	7 7B	9 8B			10	11 1B	12 2B	13 <b>Al</b> 3s <sup>2</sup> 3p <sup>1</sup>					14 <b>Si</b> 3s <sup>2</sup> 3p <sup>2</sup>					15 <b>P</b> 3s <sup>2</sup> 3p <sup>3</sup>					16 <b>S</b> 3s <sup>2</sup> 3p <sup>4</sup>					17 <b>Cl</b> 3s <sup>2</sup> 3p <sup>5</sup>					18 <b>Ar</b> 3s <sup>2</sup> 3p <sup>6</sup>
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## Inner Transition Metals

f subshell fills

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Main-group elements



Transition metals



Inner transition metals

## ➤ Exceptions to the Building-Up Principle

chromium (Cr)( $Z=24$ ):  $[\text{Ar}]3d^44s^2$  **expected**  
 $[\text{Ar}]3d^54s^1$  **experimental**

copper (Cu)( $Z=29$ ):  $[\text{Ar}]3d^94s^2$  **expected**  
 $[\text{Ar}]3d^{10}4s^1$  **experimental**

## 8.3 Writing Electron Configurations Using the Periodic Table

Kr(36):  $[\text{Ar}]4s^23d^{10}4p^6$  or  $[\text{Ar}]3d^{10}4s^24p^6$

Nb(41):  $[\text{Kr}]4s^23d^{10}4p^6$

Sb(51):  $[\text{Kr}]5s^24d^{10}5p^3$



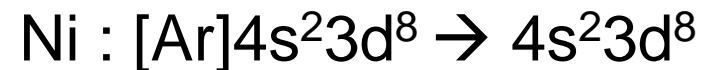
(Q) Use the building-up principle to obtain the configuration for the ground state of the gallium atom ( $Z = 31$ ). Give the configuration in complete form (do not abbreviate for the core). What is the valence-shell configuration?



→ The valence-shell configuration is  **$4s^2 4p^1$**

(Q) What are the configurations for the outer electrons of:

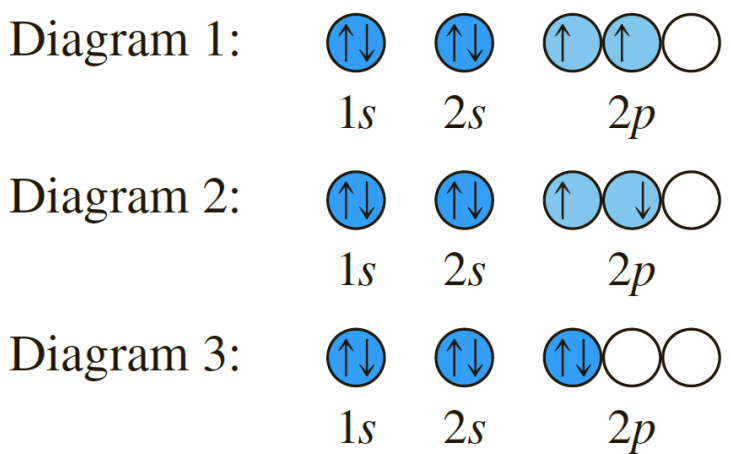
a. tellurium,  $Z = 52$ , and b. nickel,  $Z = 28$ ?



Exercise 8.4 The atom (X) has the ground-state configuration  $[\text{Xe}] 4f^{14} 5d^{10} 6s^2 6p^2$ . Find the period and group for this element. From its position in the periodic table, would you classify lead as a main-group element, a transition element, or an inner transition element?

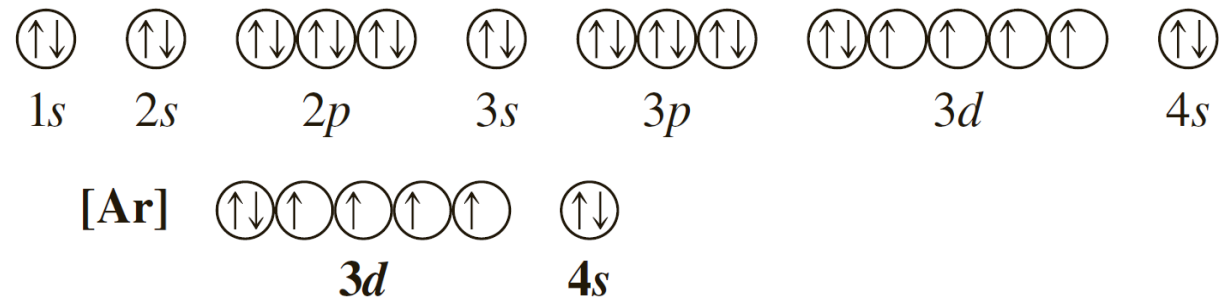


# 8.4 Orbital Diagrams of Atoms; Hund's Rule



**Hund's rule** states that *the lowest energy arrangement of electrons in a subshell is obtained by putting electrons into separate orbitals of the subshell with the same spin before pairing electrons*

(Q) Write an orbital diagram for the ground state of the iron atom.



## ✓ Magnetic Properties of Atoms

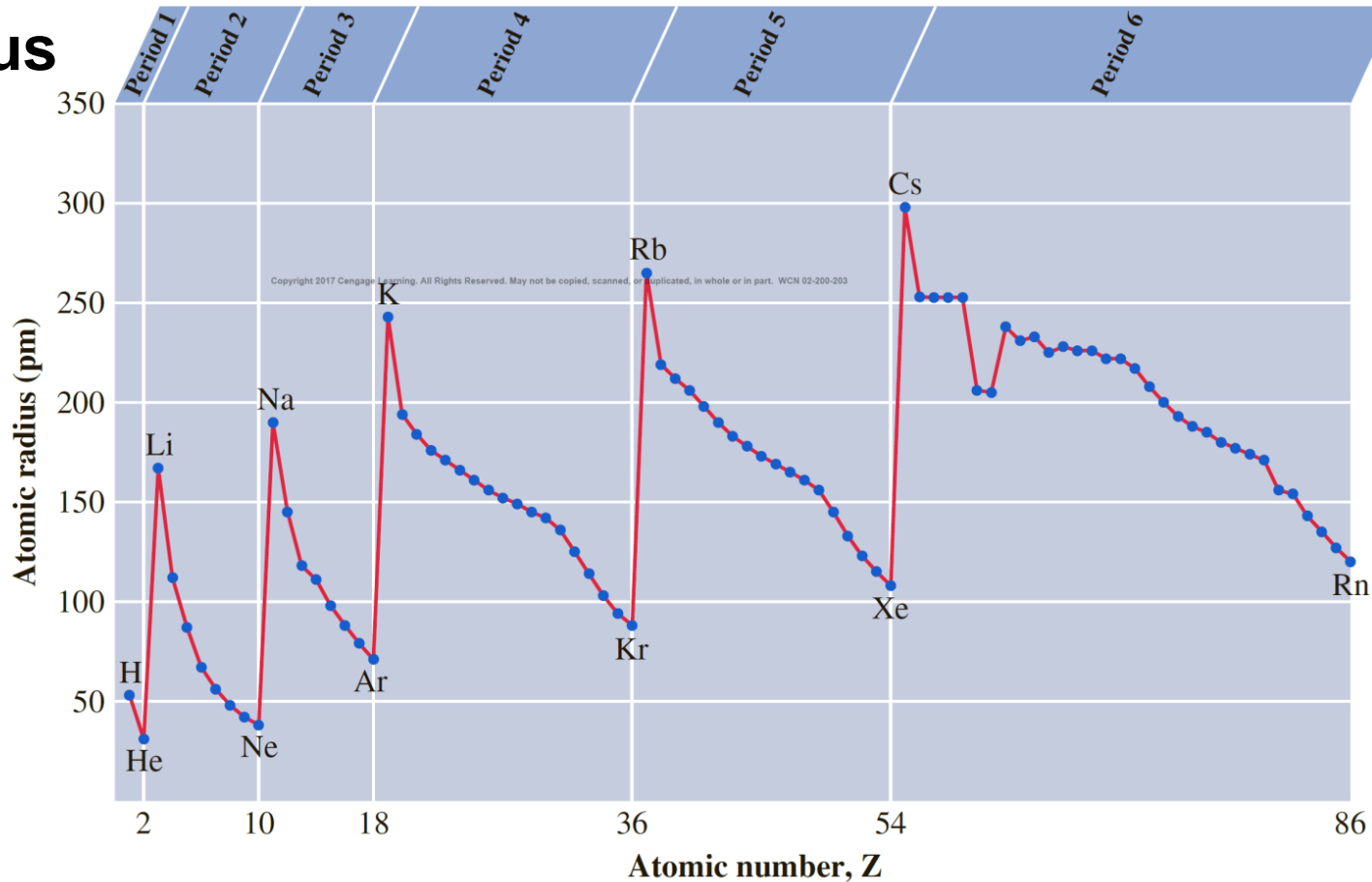
**paramagnetic substance**

**diamagnetic substance**

At least one unpaired electron

All electrons are paired

# ➤ Atomic Radius



1. Within each period (horizontal row), the atomic radius tends to **decrease** with increasing atomic number (nuclear charge).

2. Within each group (vertical column), the atomic radius tends to **increase** with the period number.

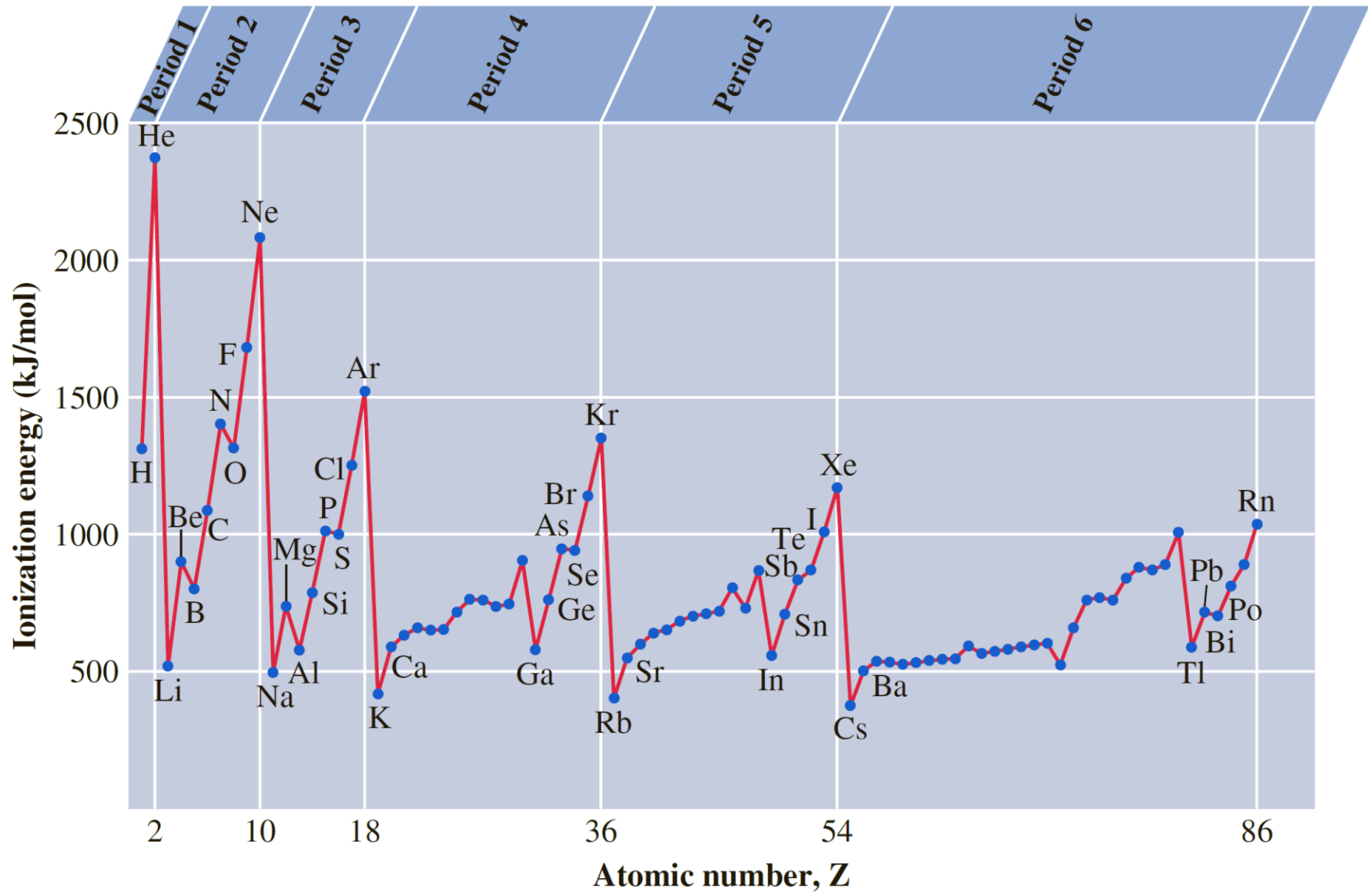
(Q) Arrange the following in order of increasing atomic radius:

(1) Al, C, Si.      **C < Si < Al**

(2) Na, Be, Mg      **Be < Mg < Na**

# ➤ Ionization Energy

$\text{Li} \rightarrow \text{Li}^+ + \text{e}^-$  First ionization energy = 520 kJ/mol  
= 5.39 eV (1eV = 96.5 kJ/mol)



- high values of *first ionization energy* associated with the noble gases
- very low values of *first ionization energy* associated with the group 1 elements;
- general increase in values of *first ionization energy* as a given period is crossed
- Ionization energies tend to decrease going down any column. This is because atomic size increases going down the column.

### **Exceptions:**

- 3A element (B)( $ns^2np^1$ ) has smaller ionization energy than the preceding 2A element (Be)( $ns^2$ ). Or (Al vs. Mg)
- 6A element (O)( $ns^2np^4$ ) has smaller ionization energy than the preceding 5A element (N) ( $ns^2np^3$ ) . Or (S vs. P)

As a result of electron repulsion

**Table 8.3** Successive Ionization Energies of the First Ten Elements (kJ/mol)\*

Element	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth	Seventh
H	1312						
He	2372	5250					
Li	520	7298	11,815				
Be	900	1757	14,848	21,006			
B	801	2427	3660	25,026	32,827		
C	1086	2353	4620	6223	37,831	47,277	
N	1402	2856	4578	7475	9445	53,267	64,360
O	1314	3388	5300	7469	10,990	13,326	71,330
F	1681	3374	6050	8408	11,023	15,164	17,868
Ne	2081	3952	6122	9371	12,177	15,238	19,999

**Exercise 8.7** The first ionization energy of the chlorine atom is 1251 kJ/mol. which of the following values would be the more likely ionization energy for the iodine atom. Explain.

- a. 1000 kJ/mol.      b. 1400 kJ/mol.

**8.26** Which of the following atoms, designated by their electron configurations, has the *highest* ionization energy?

- a  $[\text{Ne}]3s^23p^2$
- b  $[\text{Ne}]3s^23p^3$
- c  $[\text{Ar}]3d^{10}4s^24p^3$
- d  $[\text{Kr}]4d^{10}5s^25p^3$
- e  $[\text{Xe}]4f^{14}5d^{10}6s^26p^3$

**8.27** When trying to remove electrons from Be, which of the following sets of ionization energy makes the most sense going from first to third ionization energy? Explain your answer.

- a First IE 900 KJ/mol, second IE 1750 kJ/mol, third IE 15,000 kJ/mol
- b First IE 1750 KJ/mol, second IE 900 kJ/mol, third IE 15,000 kJ/mol
- c First IE 15,000 KJ/mol, second IE 1750 kJ/mol, third IE 900 kJ/mol
- d First IE 900 KJ/mol, second IE 15,000 kJ/mol, third IE 22,000 kJ/mol
- e First IE 900 KJ/mol, second IE 1750 kJ/mol, third IE 1850 kJ/mol

**8.28** Consider the following orderings.



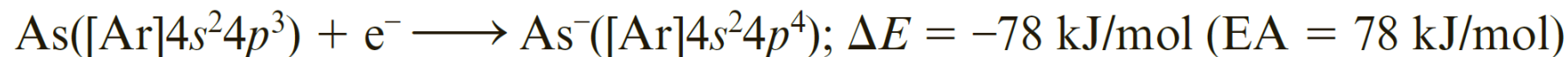
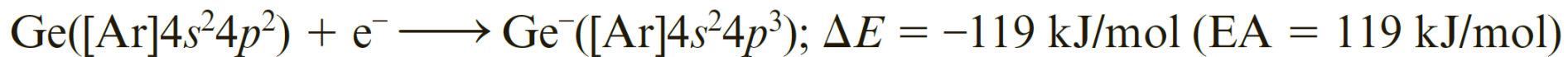
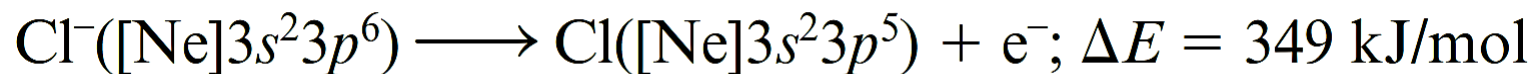
Which of these give(s) a correct trend in atomic size?

- a I only
- b II only
- c III only
- d I and II only
- e II and III only

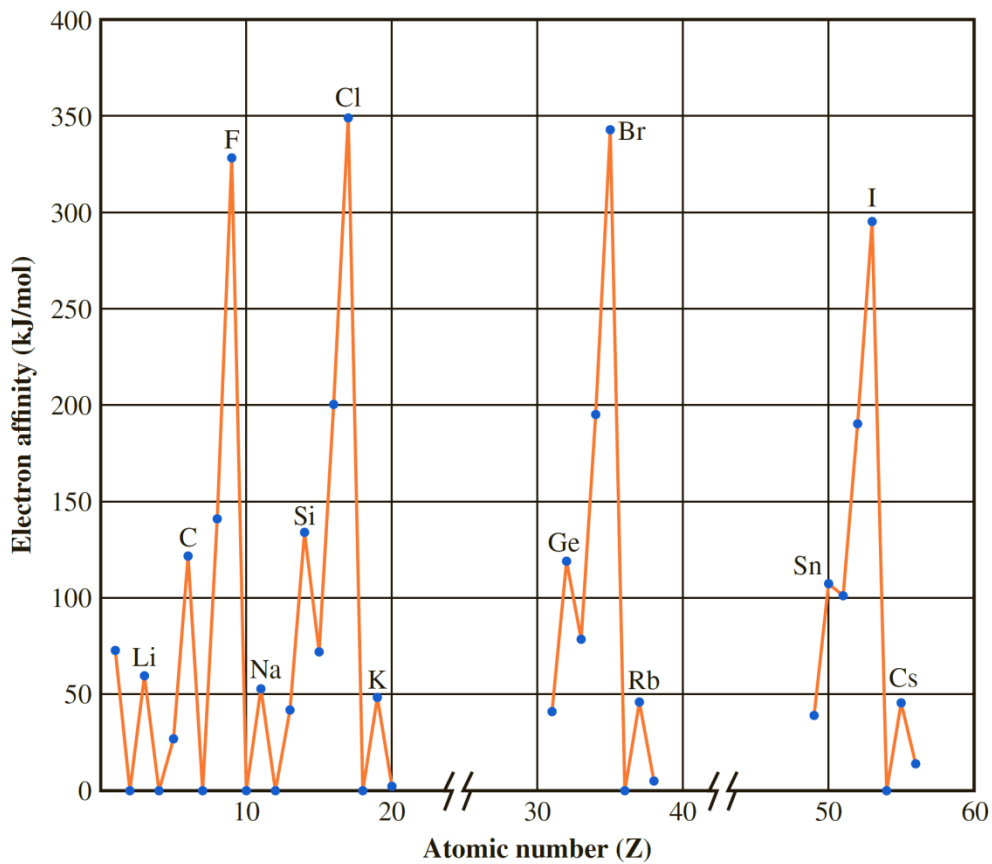


## ➤ Electron Affinity

is defined as *the energy required to remove an electron from the atom's negative ion (in its ground state)*



- ✓ In the Group 5A element (arsenic, As, in the above list), the added electron must pair up with one of the *np* electrons since all of the *np* orbitals have one electron, whereas in the preceding element the extra electron goes into an empty *np* orbital. This pairing of electrons in an orbital requires some energy, resulting in a smaller electron affinity for the Group 5A element compared with the preceding 4A element.



- ✓ In a given period, the electron affinity rises from the Group 1A element to the Group 7A element but with sharp drops in the Group 2A and Group 5A elements.
- ✓ Group 8A elements (noble gases) have zero or small negative values (indicating unstable negative ions)
- ✓ Group 6A and Group 7A elements have the largest electron affinities of any of the other main-group elements