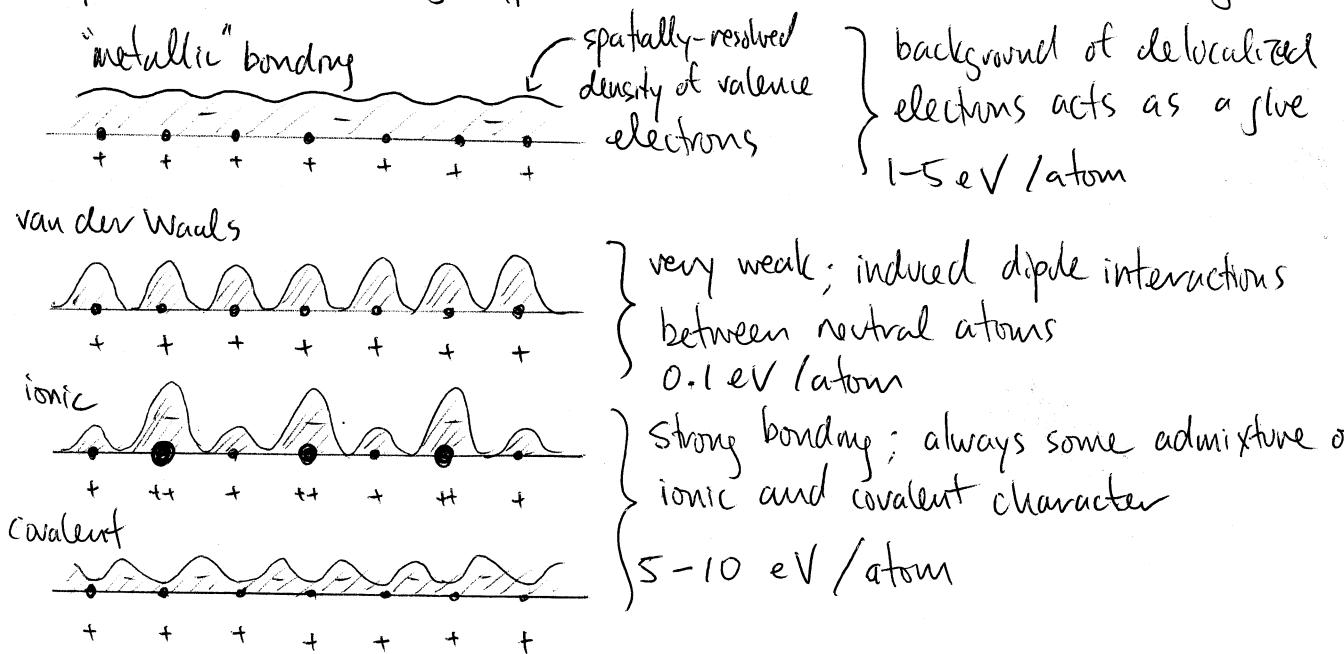
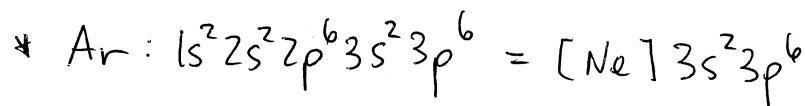
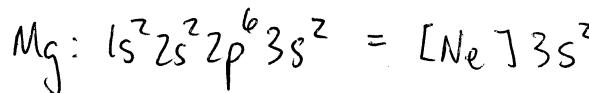
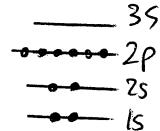
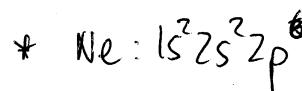
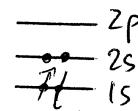
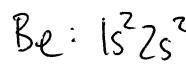
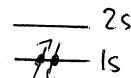
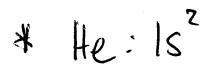
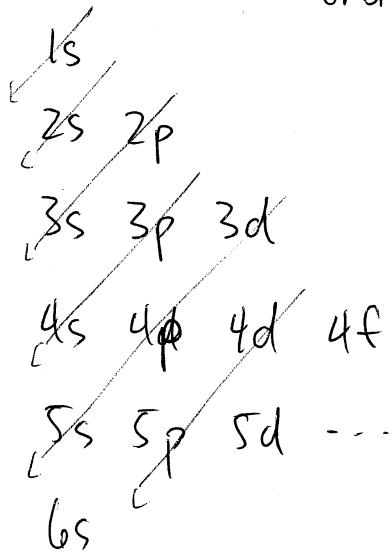


- \* agglomerations of matter cohere (i.e. are held together by cohesive forces)
  - a variety of mechanisms but all ultimately Coulombic
  - separate question from whether a material is amorphous or regular, liquid or solid
  - key issue: is there an energy cost (positive chemical potential) to removing one atom or molecule from the system?
    - e.g. for a liquid, yes, but for a gas, no — which explains why only liquids exhibit a surface tension
- \* cohesion is a product of chemical bonding
  - attractive electrostatic forces that are strong enough for a collection of atoms to become self-trapping
  - complicated interplay between ionic cores (nucleus + inner shell electrons) and valence electrons
  - spectrum of bonding types that fall into a few broad categories



## Electronic structure of atoms

- \* isolated neutral atom has  $Z$  protons in the nucleus and an equal number of orbiting electrons populating discrete energy levels
  - central  $\perp$  electrostatic potential
  - electronic wf. is factorizable into radial and angular components
  - allowed states described by radial quantum number  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$  and  $AM$  quantum numbers  $l = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  and  $m_l = -l, -l+1, \dots, 0, 1, \dots$
  - electrons are fermions with intrinsic angular momentum ( $SPM \frac{1}{2}$ ), so each orbital  $n(l)$  can accommodate  $2 \times (2l+1)$  electrons
  - heuristic filling order with special stability for filled orbitals and "complete" shells

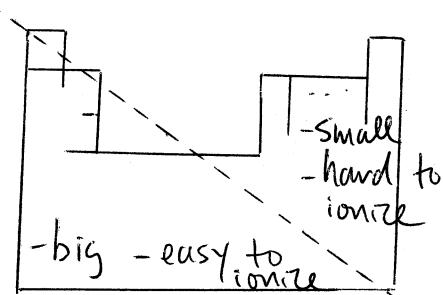


\* = noble gas configuration

|               |    |   |    |    |    |    |    |             |   |
|---------------|----|---|----|----|----|----|----|-------------|---|
| Alkali metals |    | insulators,<br>semiconductors,<br>and semi-metals |    |    |    |    |    | Noble gases |   |
| H             |    | and   |    |    |    |    |    | He          |   |
| Li            | Be | transition<br>elements                            |    |    |    |    |    | B           | C |
| Na            | Mg | Al  | Si | P  | S  | Cl | F  | Ne          |   |
| K             | Ca | Ga  | Ge | As | Se | Br | Kr |             |   |
|               |    | In  | Tn | Sb | Te | I  | Xe |             |   |
| metals        |    |   |    |    |    |    |    |             |   |
| ↑<br>Halides  |    |   |    |    |    |    |    |             |   |

## \* atomic trends

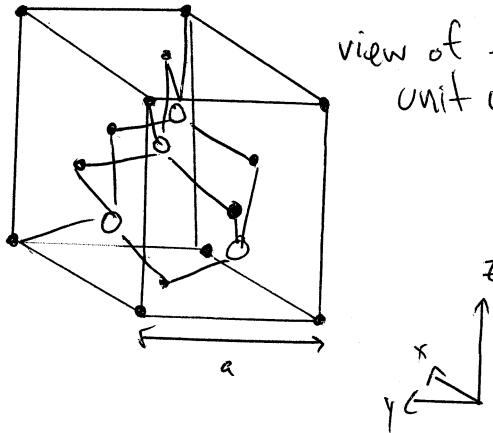
- remarkably, there is a somewhat sensible notion of atomic radius (in the hard-core sphere sense) that increases down each group and decreases from left to right in each row
- ionization energy (the cost to remove the outermost electron) inversely tracks the atomic size trend since the distance of the outermost electron from the nucleus is the key factor in the energetics
- electron affinity is the tendency of atoms to attract additional electrons; inverse trend to ionization energy
- chemical reactivity is mostly related to the presence of unpaired electrons in an unfilled outer shell



## Extremely covalent materials

\* C, Si, and Ge can form in the diamond structure

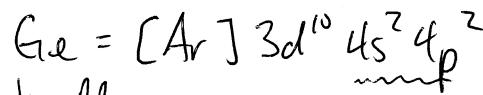
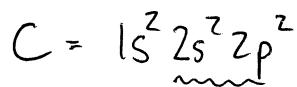
→ fcc + 2 site basis  $\tau_1 = 0$ ,  $\tau_2 = \frac{a}{4}(1,1,1)$



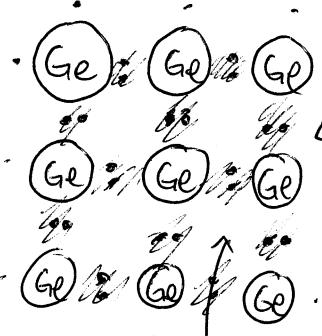
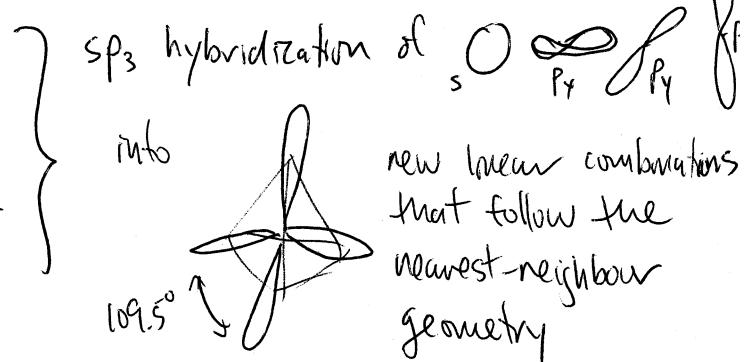
view of the conventional (nonprimitive) unit cell

tetrahedral

- each atom 4-fold coordinated with ~~one~~ bonding directions
- bonding occurs via sharing (pairwise with neighbouring atoms) the four valence electrons:



→ Schematically

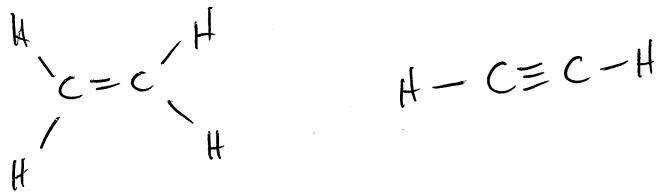


network of highly directional bonds  
(crystal is like one gigantic molecule)

lots of open space and far from close packing

## sp hybridization in carbon

- \* carbon has a rich variety of sp,  $sp_2$ ,  $sp_3$  hybridizations
- \* in the molecular context, these give rise to the double and triple carbon bonds

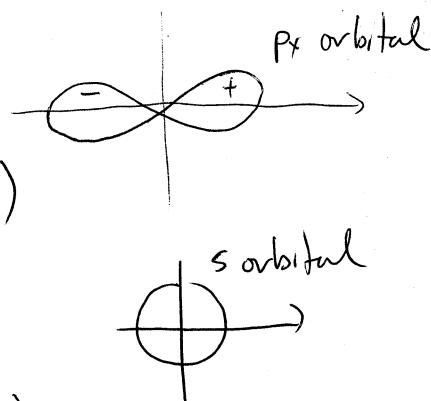


- \* the bonding angles are linear ( $sp$ ), trigonal planar ( $sp_2$ ), and tetrahedral ( $sp_3$ )

e.g. suppose that  $\psi_{p_x}(r) = f(r)x$

with  $f(r) > 0$  (for large  $r$  at least)

and  $\psi_s(r) = g(r)$

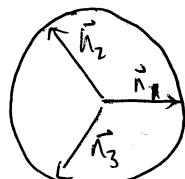


For general direction  $\vec{n}$  (unit vector),

$$\psi_{p\vec{n}} = f(r)\vec{r} \cdot \vec{n}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{The inner product } \langle \psi_{p,\vec{n}_1} | \psi_{p,\vec{n}_2} \rangle &= \sum_{\substack{a=x,y,z \\ b=x,y,z}} n_1^a \langle \psi_{p,a} | \psi_{p,b} \rangle n_2^b \\ &\underbrace{\qquad\qquad\qquad}_{\delta_{a,b}} \\ &= \vec{n}_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2 \end{aligned}$$

Take planar directions



$$\vec{n}_1 = \vec{e}_x$$

$$\vec{n}_2 = -\frac{1}{2}\vec{e}_x + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\vec{e}_y$$

$$\vec{n}_3 = -\frac{1}{2}\vec{e}_x - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\vec{e}_y$$

and define a new set of states that are linear combinations

$$|i\rangle = \alpha |\psi^s\rangle + \beta |\psi_{n_i}^P\rangle \quad i=1,2,3$$

By construction  $\langle \psi_{p,i} | i \rangle = 0$

and  $\langle i | j \rangle = \alpha^2 + \beta^2 \vec{n}_i \cdot \vec{n}_j$

Normalization  $\langle i | i \rangle = \alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 1$

Orthogonality  $\langle i | j \rangle = \alpha^2 + \beta^2 \underbrace{\vec{n}_i \cdot \vec{n}_j}_{= -\frac{1}{2}} = 0$   
 $= -\frac{1}{2}$  for  $i \neq j$

Hence,  $\alpha^2 = \frac{1}{2} \beta^2$  and  $1 = \frac{3}{2} \beta^2$

or  $\alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$  and  $\beta = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$

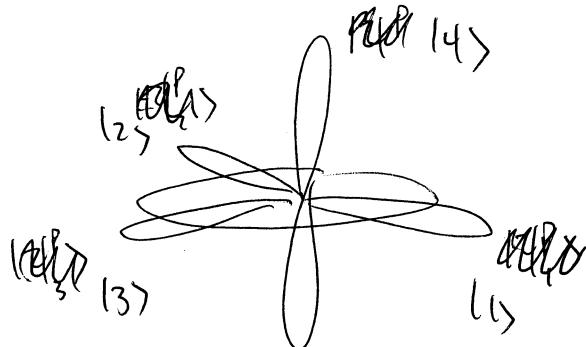
The full basis is

$$|1\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} |\psi^s\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} |\psi_x^P\rangle$$

$$|2\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} |\psi^s\rangle - \sqrt{\frac{1}{6}} |\psi_x^P\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} |\psi_y^P\rangle$$

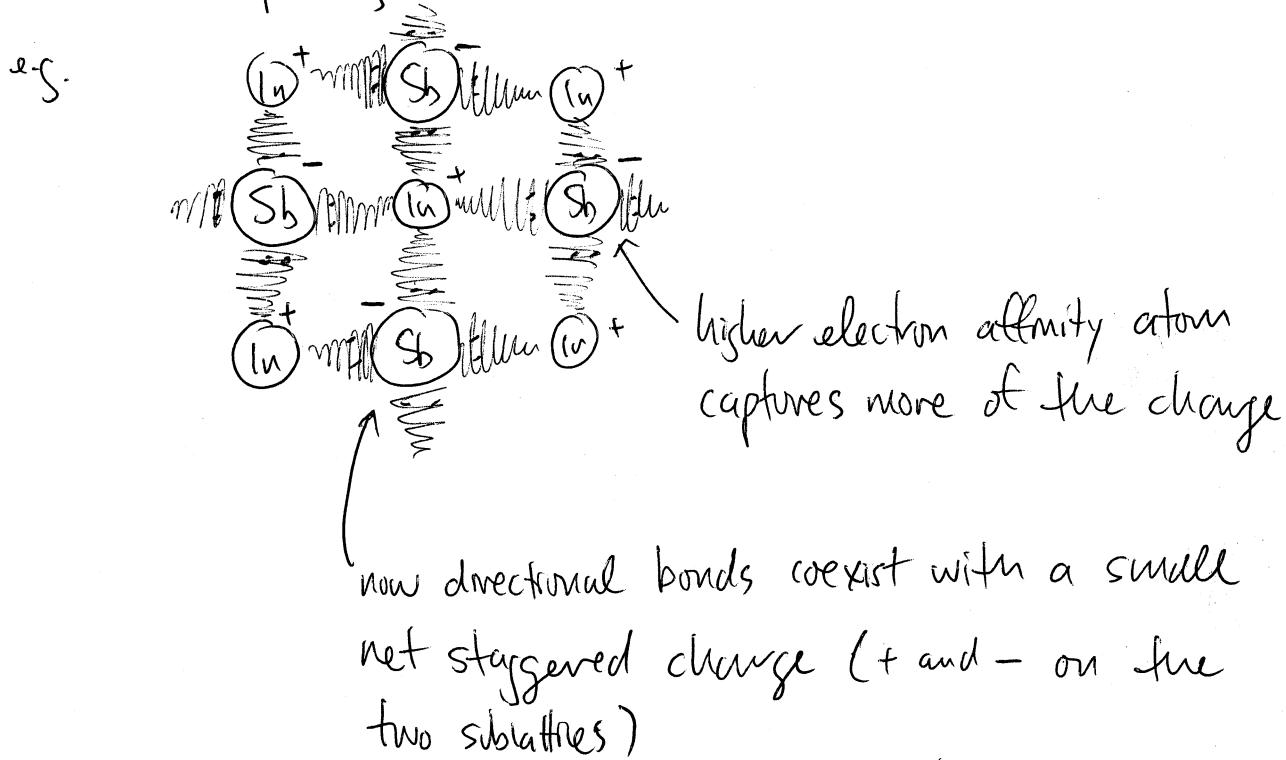
$$|3\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} |\psi^s\rangle - \sqrt{\frac{1}{6}} |\psi_x^P\rangle - \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} |\psi_y^P\rangle$$

$$|4\rangle = |\psi_z^P\rangle$$

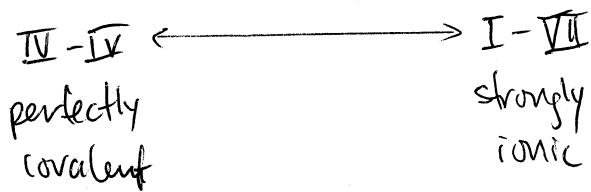


## Mixed covalent and ionic character

- \* C, Si, Ge follow the IV-IV bonding pattern  
 → other matches III-IV, ..., I-VII also allow for an exact pairing of valence electrons

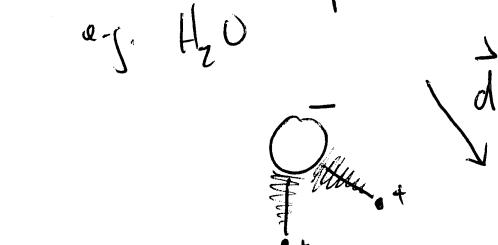


- \* covalent and ionic character exist in a continuum

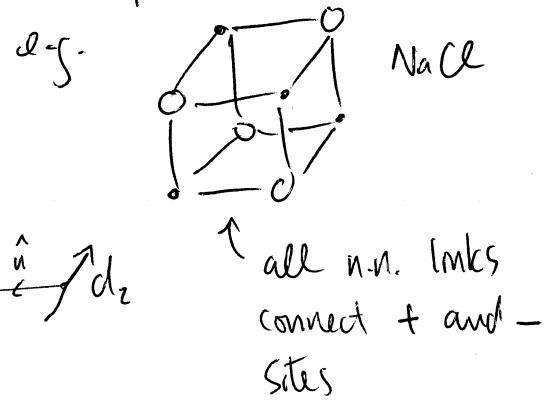


- covalent                      ionic

  - covalent bonding can exist in a variety of geometric structures
  - strong ionic bonding is only supported on bipartite lattices
  - in individual molecules, electron affinity effects can lead to a permanent dipole moment



$$\frac{\vec{d}_1 - \vec{d}_2 - 3(\vec{d}_1 \cdot \hat{n})(\vec{d}_2 \cdot \hat{n})}{\| \vec{d} \|^3}$$

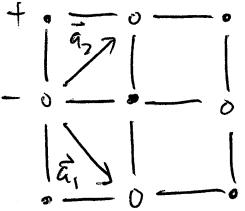


## Ewald Sums

\* Cohesive energy of an ionic solid is related to the total of all pairwise electrostatic interactions

$$\sum_{i < j} \frac{q_i q_j}{|\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j|} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{charges } q_i = Z_i e \\ \text{atomic separations} \end{array}$$

↑  
sum over site indices that avoids double counting

e.g.  square lattice rotated  $45^\circ$  with a two-site basis:  
 charge  $-e$  at  $\vec{r}_1 = 0$   
 charge  $+e$  at  $\vec{r}_2 = \vec{d} = d\hat{e}_x$

$$E_{coh} = \sum_{i < j} \frac{\pm e^2}{|\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j|} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\vec{R}, \vec{r}} \sum_{\vec{R}', \vec{r}'} \frac{q_{\vec{r}} q_{\vec{r}'}}{|\vec{R} + \vec{r} - \vec{R}' - \vec{r}'|} (-\delta_{\vec{R} + \vec{r}, \vec{R}' + \vec{r}'})$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\vec{R}, \vec{R}'} \left[ \frac{e^2 (1 - \delta_{\vec{R}, \vec{R}'})}{|\vec{R} - \vec{R}'|} - \frac{e^2}{|\vec{R} - \vec{R}' + \vec{d}|} - \frac{e^2}{|\vec{R} - \vec{R}' - \vec{d}|} + \frac{e^2 (1 - \delta_{\vec{R}, \vec{R}'})}{|\vec{R} - \vec{R}'|} \right]$$

$$= \sum_{\vec{R}, \vec{R}'} \left[ \frac{e^2 (1 - \delta_{\vec{R}, \vec{R}'})}{|\vec{R} - \vec{R}'|} - \frac{e^2}{|\vec{R} - \vec{R}' + \vec{d}|} \right]$$

$$= -\frac{e^2}{d} \sum_{\vec{R}} \left[ \sum_{\substack{\vec{R}' \\ (\neq \vec{R})}} \left( \frac{d}{|\vec{R} - \vec{R}'|} - \frac{d}{|\vec{R} - \vec{R}' + \vec{d}|} \right) + 1 \right]$$

$$= -\frac{e^2 N_{\text{units}}}{d} \left[ \sum_{\vec{R} \neq 0} \left( \frac{d}{|\vec{R} + \vec{d}|} - \frac{d}{|\vec{R}|} \right) + 1 \right] \quad \text{by translational symmetry}$$

- \* After factoring out the energy  $e^2/d$ , what remains is the Madelung constant

$$\alpha = \sum_{R \neq 0} \left( \frac{d}{|R + \vec{d}|} - \frac{d}{R} \right) + 1,$$

a universal, dimensionless value that depends only on the lattice geometry

- \* These so-called Ewald sums are hard to carry out
  - weak convergence (nearly harmonic subseries that have a delicate cancellation)
  - related to the fact that Coulomb forces (here unscreened) are long-ranged
  - any truncation of the summation is equivalent to establishing a pattern of surface charges on a finite crystal

- \* Overall attraction is counteracted by a short-range repulsion (the Pauli exclusion hard core)

$$\frac{E_{\text{coh}}}{N_{\text{ion pairs}}} = -\frac{\alpha e^2}{d} + \frac{C}{d^{12}}$$

- 12 is a phenomenological exponent
- View as a function of  $d$  that is optimized at an equilibrium nearest neighbour separation  $d_0 = \left[ \frac{12C}{e^2 \alpha} \right]^{1/11}$