



Ionic Character

MOST MATERIALS ARE NEITHER 100% IONIC NOR 100% COVALENT

% ionic character = $[1 - \exp\{-0.25(X_A - X_B)^2\}] \times 100\%$

where X_A, X_B are the electronegativities of the A and B atoms, respectively.

Example:

Compute the percentage ionic character of the interatomic bonds for TiO₂ and ZnTe.

• For TiO₂, $X_{Ti} = 1.5$ and $X_{O} = 3.5$, and therefore,

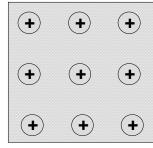
The electronegativities of the elements are found in Figure 2.7

• For ZnTe, $X_{Zn} = 1.6$ and $X_{Te} = 2.1$, and therefore,



METALLIC BONDING

• Arises from a sea of *donated* valence electrons (1, 2, or 3 from each atom).



· Valence electrons are not bound to any specific atom but are free to drift throughout the material

• Active bonding electrons form an "electron sea"

Adapted from Fig. 2.11, Callister 6e.

• Primary bond for (not surprisingly) metals and their alloys

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METALLIC BONDING

• Metallic bonding can be either weak (68 kJ/mole or 0.7 eV/atom for Hg) or strong (850 kJ/mole or 8.8 eV/atom for W)

• Metallic bonding gives rise to high electrical and thermal conductivity

• Metallic bonding also gives rise to ductility (at least more than in most covalent and ionic solids). Think about why this might be so?.

The electrons are loosely held since each atom has several unoccupied valence orbitals; it is relatively easy for the electrons to move about. In this manner the electrons allow atoms to slide past each other.



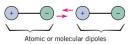
Secondary Bonding

• Van der Waals bonding

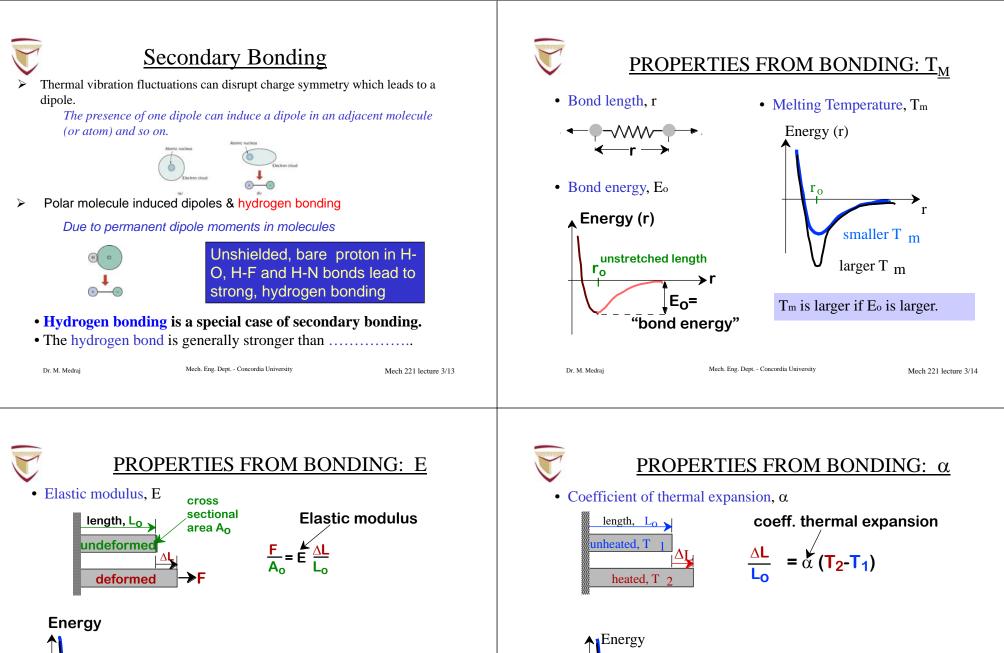
• Bond energy is very weak compared to others

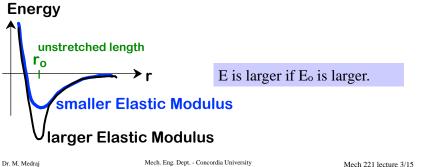
Compare typical secondary bonding strengths (10 kJ/mole) with typical primary bonding strengths (50 to 1000 kJ/mole)

- Exists between almost all atoms and molecules
- Arise from atomic or molecular dipoles



- Physical bonds, not chemical







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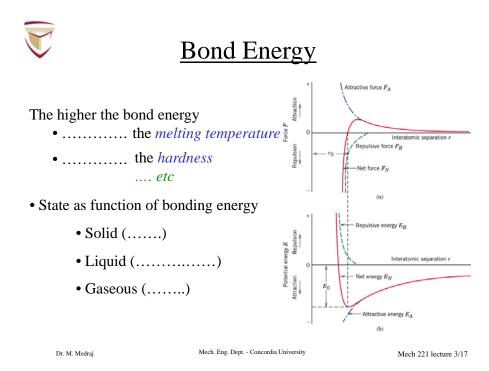
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 α is larger if E_0 is smaller.





Bonding Types: Summary

A comparison of the type of bonding found in different materials:

- For <u>brass</u>, the bonding is since it is a metal alloy.



- For <u>BaS</u>, the bonding is predominantly (*but with some covalent character*) on the basis of the relative positions of Ba and S in the periodic table.
- For solid <u>xenon</u>, the bonding is since xenon is an inert gas.
- For <u>nylon</u>, the bonding is with perhaps <u>some</u> Nylon is composed primarily of carbon and hydrogen
- For <u>AIP</u> the bonding is predominantly (but with some ionic character) *on the basis of the relative positions of Al and P in the periodic table.*

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Next time: Crystal structure, lattice directions and planes

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