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13 Charges of Common Ions

Table 5.1 Ionic Charges of Representative Elements

Group Number	Oxidation Number	Examples
<i>Metals</i>		
1	1+	$\text{Li}^+, \text{Na}^+, \text{K}^+$
2	2+	$\text{Mg}^{2+}, \text{Ca}^{2+}$
13	3+	$\text{B}^{3+}, \text{Al}^{3+}$
<i>Nonmetals</i>		
15	3-	$\text{N}^{3-}, \text{P}^{3-}$
16	2-	$\text{O}^{2-}, \text{S}^{2-}$
17	1-	$\text{F}^-, \text{Cl}^-, \text{Br}^-, \text{I}^-$

Table 5.2 Common Polyatomic Ions

Name of Ion	Formula	Charge
ammonium	NH_4^+	1+
hydronium	H_3O^+	1+
hydrogen carbonate	HCO_3^-	1-
hydrogen sulfate	HSO_4^-	1-
acetate	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2^-$	1-
nitrite	NO_2^-	1-
nitrate	NO_3^-	1-
cyanide	CN^-	1-
hydroxide	OH^-	1-
dihydrogen phosphate	H_2PO_4^-	1-
permanganate	MnO_4^-	1-
carbonate	CO_3^{2-}	2-
sulfate	SO_4^{2-}	2-
sulfite	SO_3^{2-}	2-
oxalate	$\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}$	2-
monohydrogen phosphate	HPO_4^{2-}	2-
dichromate	$\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$	2-
phosphate	PO_4^{3-}	3-