

# Coordination Compounds

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## Compounds containing Transition Metals

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## Transition Metals

<b>Sc → Cu</b>	<b>1st row</b>
<b>Y → Ag</b>	<b>2nd row</b>
<b>La → Au</b>	<b>3rd row</b>

# **Properties of metals**

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**Not as reactive as group 1 or 2**

**1s or 2s valence electrons**

**Highly colored compounds**

**High mp, bp, density**

**Hard, strong, conductors**

**Form complex ions**

**Many oxidation states**

**Catalytic activity**

# Trends

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Down group:  
Same outer electron configuration  
Decrease in reactivity

Across period  
Increase in atomic no.  
Increase in atomic mass  
Increase in nuclear charge, i.e.  
Slight decrease in radii

# Reaction with acid

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Many react: Fe, Ni, Co → hydrogen

Some inert: Cr, Au, Pt

# Electron configuration

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$_{20}\text{Ca}: 1\text{s}^2 \ 2\text{s}^2 \ 2\text{p}^6 \ 3\text{s}^2 \ 3\text{p}^6 \ 4\text{s}^2$

= [Ar]4s<sup>2</sup> = 4s<sup>2</sup>

$_{21}\text{Sc} \rightarrow _{29}\text{Cu}$  e<sup>-</sup> added to 3d subshell

$_{21}\text{Sc}: 4\text{s}^2 \ 3\text{d}^1$

$_{22}\text{Ti}: 4\text{s}^2 \ 3\text{d}^2$

Exception:  $_{24}\text{Cr}: 4\text{s}^1 \ 3\text{d}^5$

# Ions

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When metals lose electrons to form (+) ions, electrons come from 4s before 3d



# Oxidation states

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Variable in compounds

Mostly +2 or +3

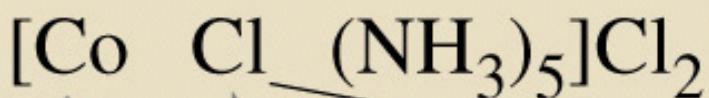
Reaches max at center of series

High:  $\text{VF}_5$      $\text{Mn}_2\text{O}_7$      $\text{CrO}_3$

# Coordination compound

Complex ion

Free  
anions



Ligands

Central  
ion

Coordination  
number  
 $(1 + 5 = 6)$

# Transition Metals

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### Akali metals

Transition metals

### Halogens

### Noble gases

# Naming Compounds

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Compounds may be:

Cation



Neutral



Anion



Learn steps for naming

# Naming Compounds

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1. Name cation, then anion  
(unless neutral)
2. Name ligands first (alphabetical)  
name metal  
give metal oxidation state

# Naming Compounds

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## Ligand Names: (table 20.3)

$\text{Br}^-$	bromo
$\text{CN}^-$	cyano
$\text{H}_2\text{O}$	aquo
$\text{NH}_3$	ammine
CO	carbonyl
$\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}$	oxalato

# Naming Compounds

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Indicate number of ligands by prefix:

di      tri      tetra      penta      hexa

prefix not included in alphabetical order

If ligand name has prefix use:

bis   tris   tetrakis  
bis(ethylenediamine)

# Naming Compounds

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3. Metal oxidation state: iron(III)

4. Anionic complex: table 20.4  
add -ate ending to metal

cobaltate

ferrate

chromate

cuprate

titanate

aurate

5. Neutral complex: one word

# Naming Compounds

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diamminesilver(I) chloride

# Naming Compounds

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potassium hexacyanoferrate(II)

# Naming Compounds

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[cobalt(III) tetraammine aquo chloro]  
chloride

aquochlorocobalt(III) chloride

# Naming Compounds

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triammminetrichlorocobalt(III)

# Writing Formulas

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diamminedibromoplatinum(IV) chloride



# Writing Formulas

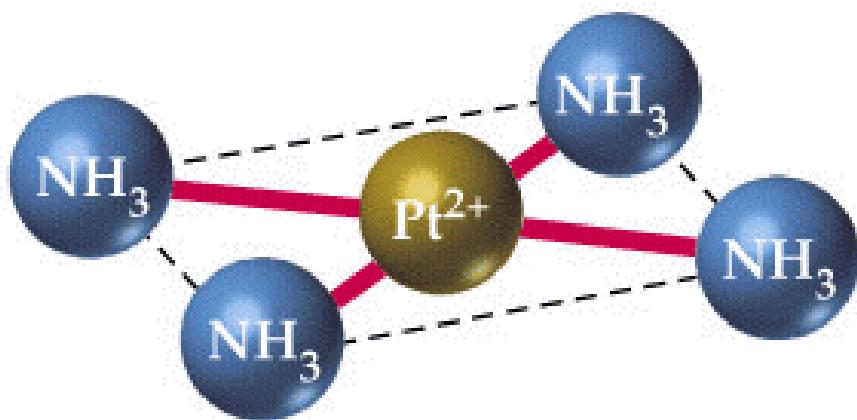
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potassium hexacyanoaurate(III)

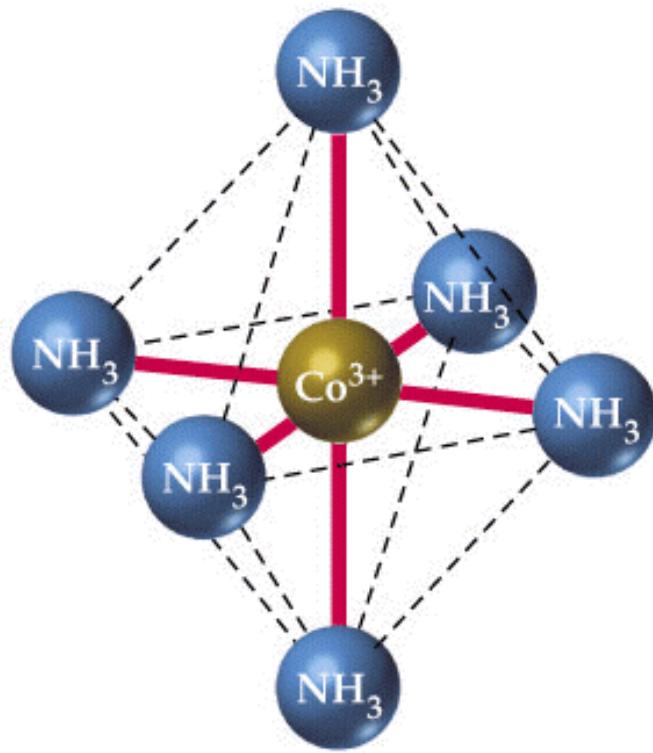


# Isomers

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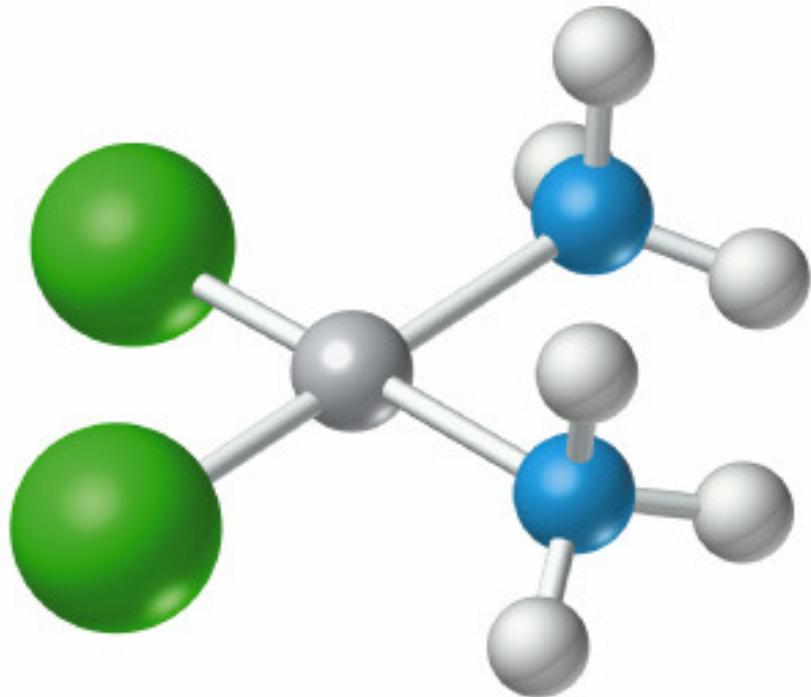
Square planar



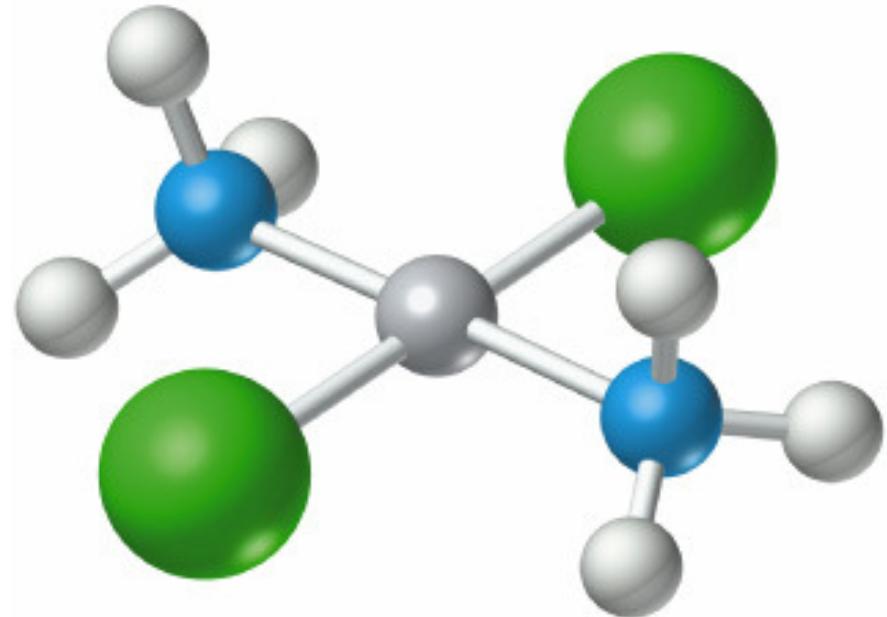
Octahedral

# Isomers

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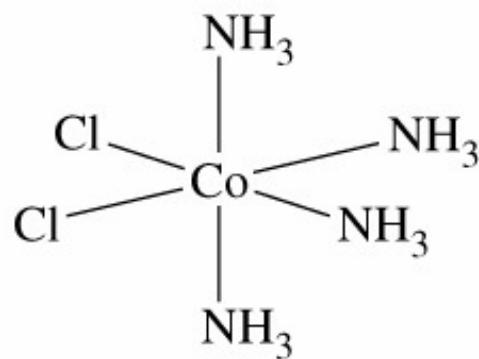
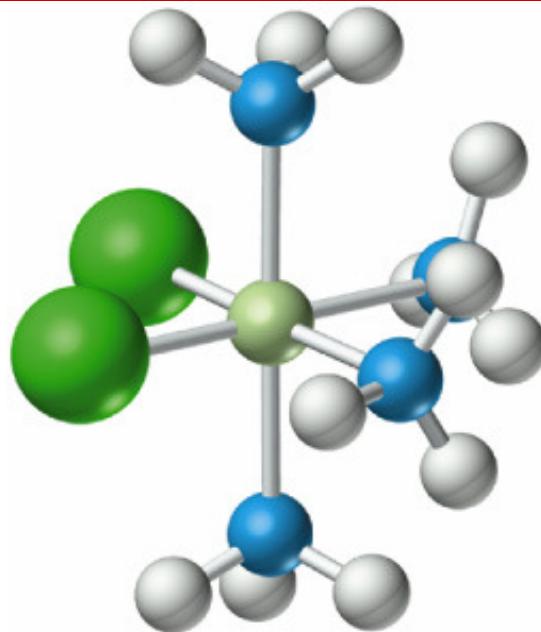
*cis*- $[\text{PtCl}_2(\text{NH}_3)_2]$



*trans*- $[\text{PtCl}_2(\text{NH}_3)_2]$

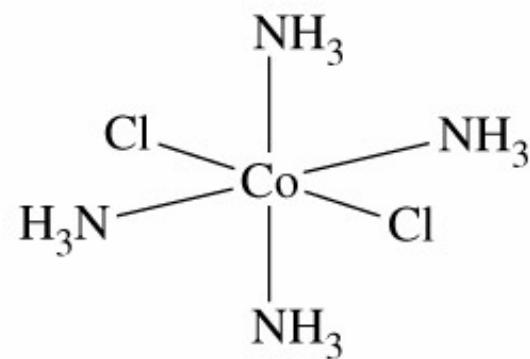
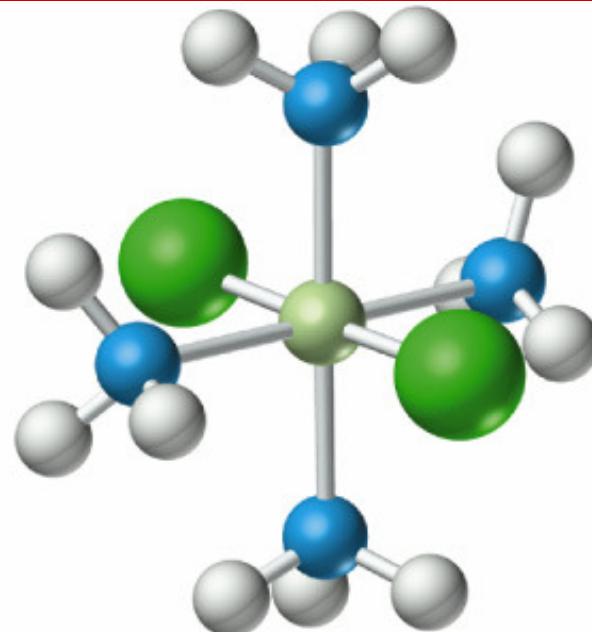
# Isomers

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*cis*-[CoCl<sub>2</sub>(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>

(purple)



*trans*-[CoCl<sub>2</sub>(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>

(green)

# Bonding

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Bonding theory must explain

Color  
Magnetism  
Isomerism  
Bond Strength

# Bonding

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## Crystal Field Theory (CFT)

Color  
Magnetism

What bonds ligand to metal?

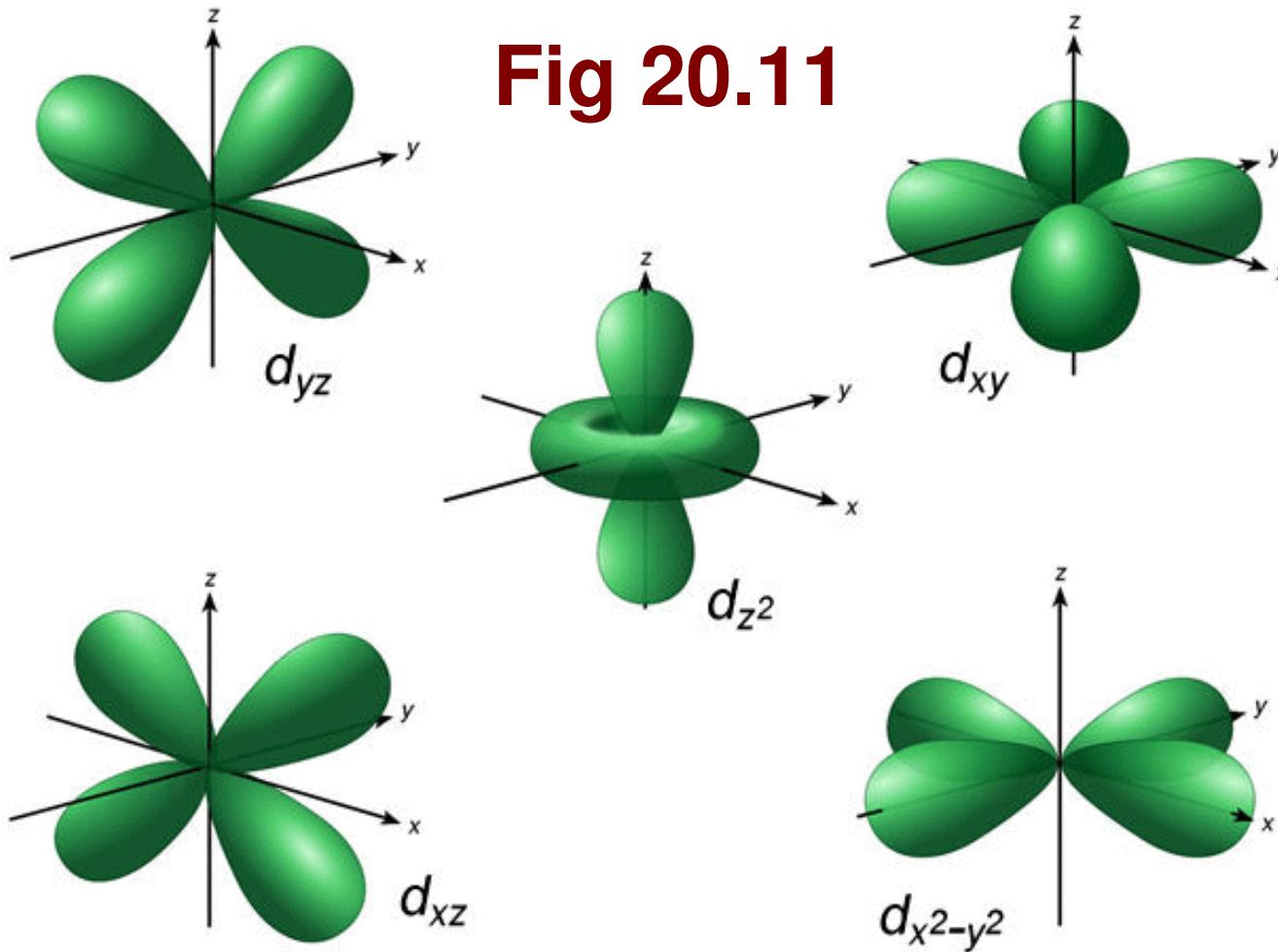
# Crystal Field Theory

1. (+) metal  $\leftrightarrow$  (-) ligand  
⇒ attraction
  2. metal d e<sup>-</sup>  $\leftrightarrow$  ligand lone pairs  
⇒ repulsion

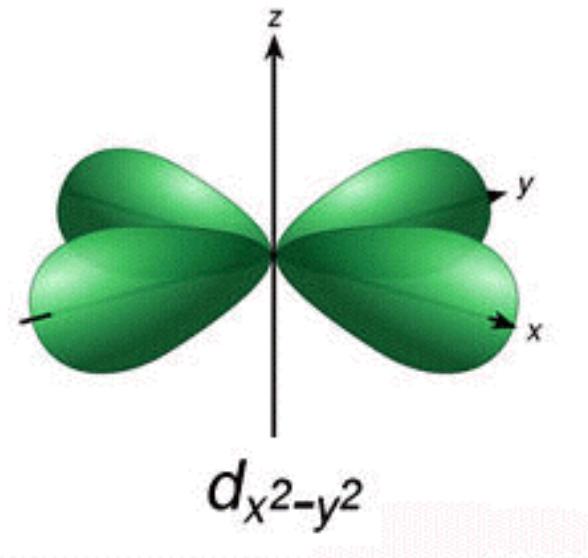
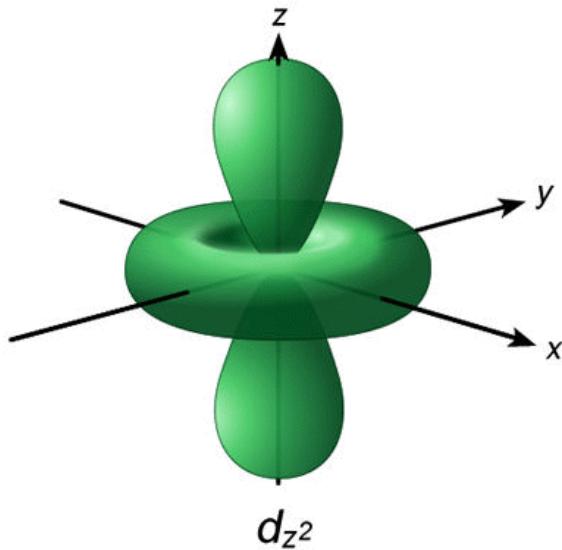
# Know shapes of d-orbitals Fig 20.11

# Crystal Field Theory

Fig 20.11



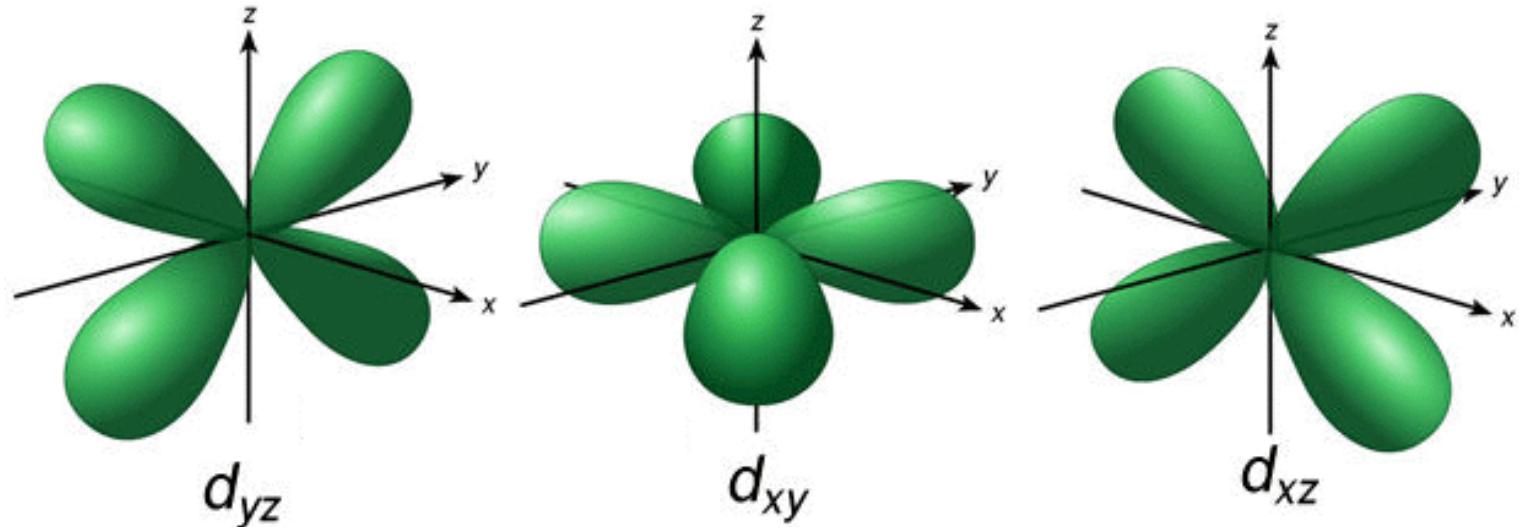
# Crystal Field Theory



Lobes point along axes

# Crystal Field Theory

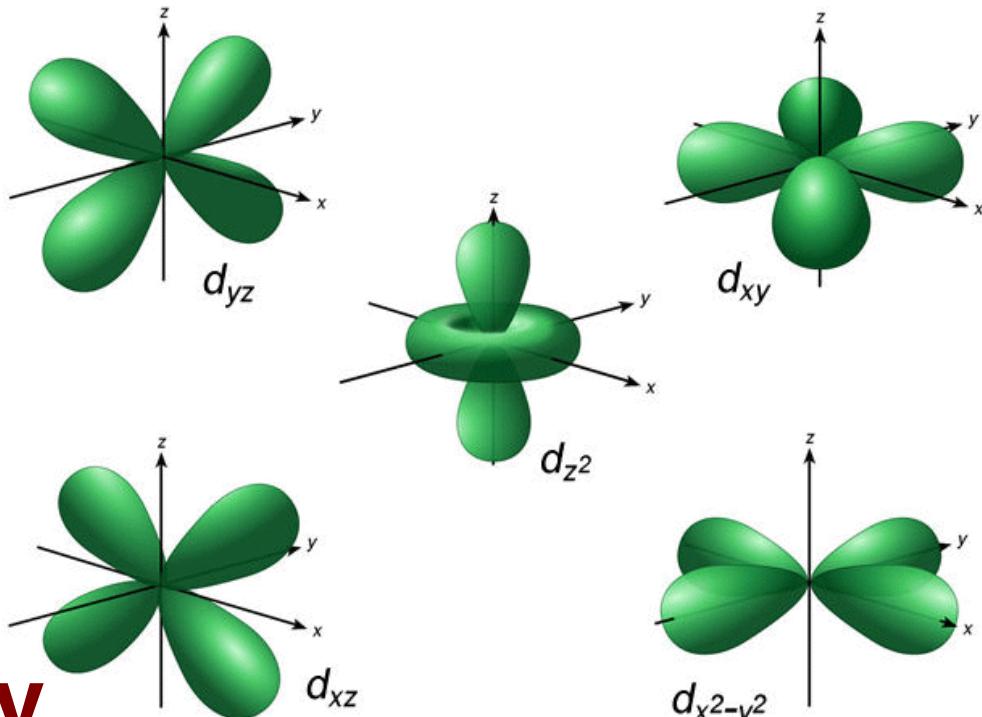
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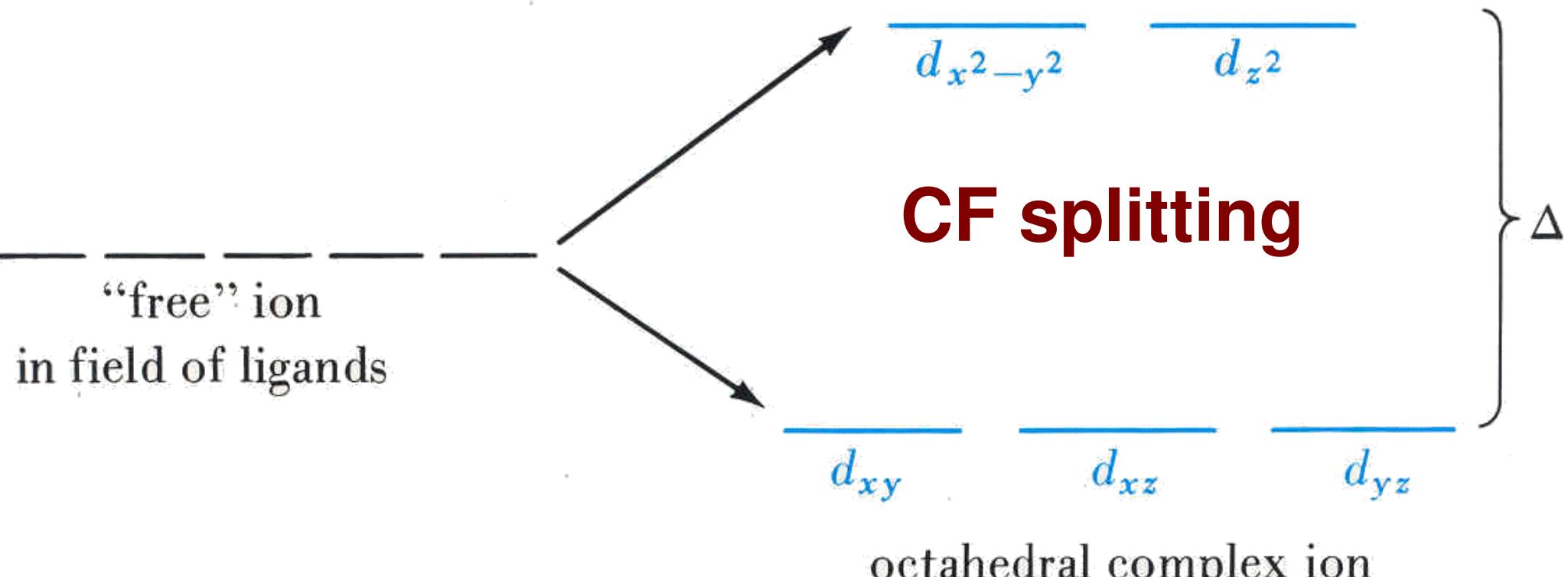
**Lobes point between axes**

# Crystal Field Theory

- Ligands approach along axes
- Repels d-electrons
- All orbitals go up in energy
- Orbitals along axes go up more in energy

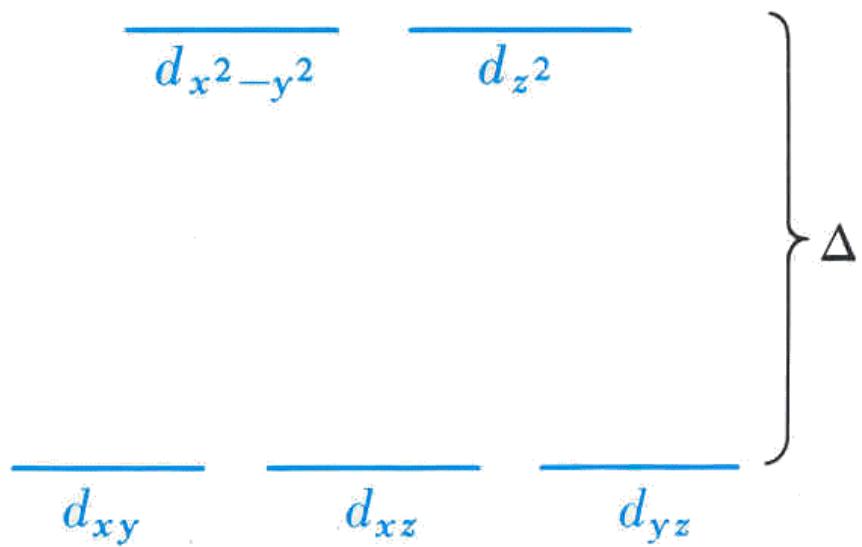


# Crystal Field Theory



$\Delta$  is energy difference

# Crystal Field Theory

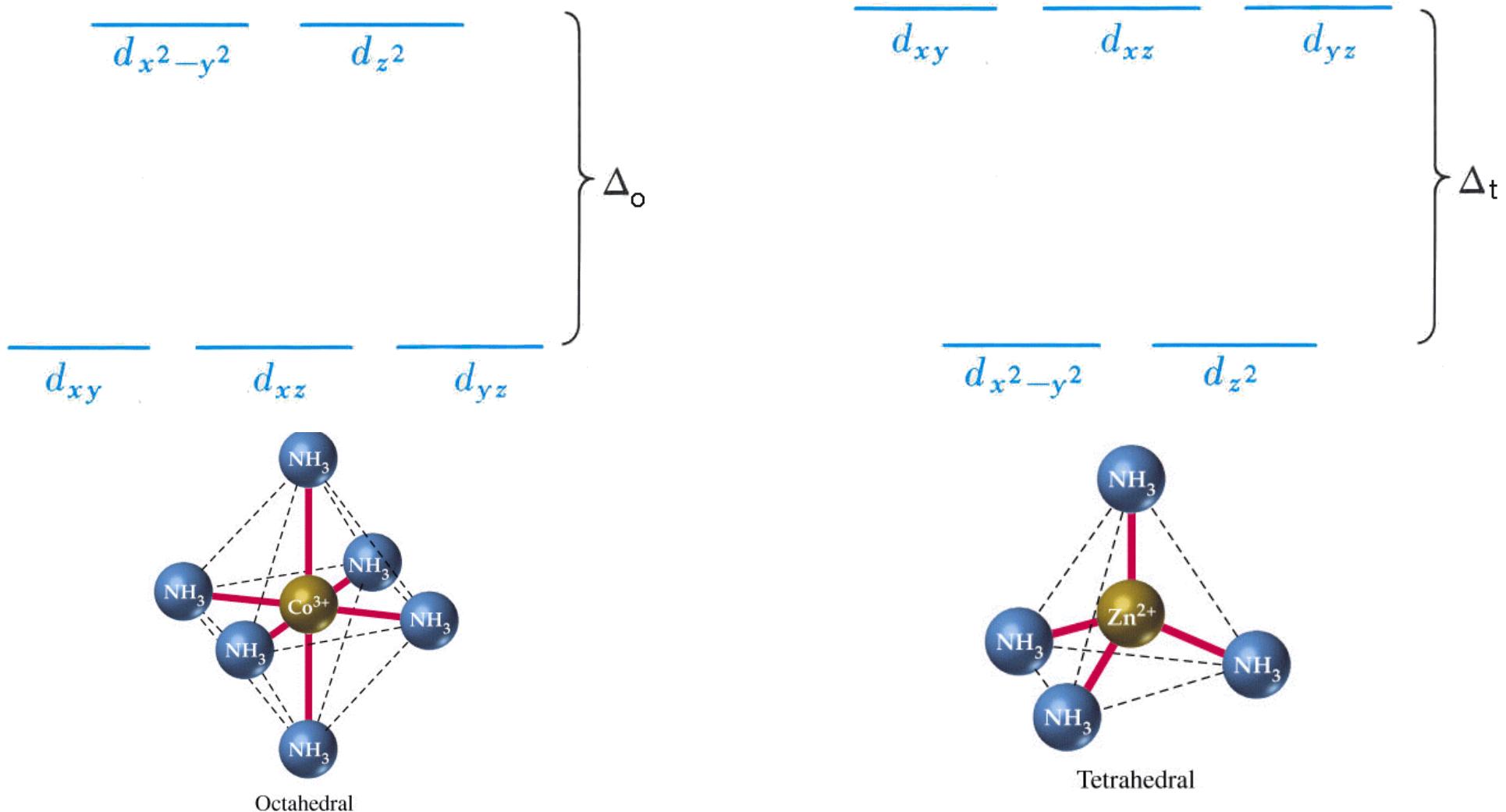


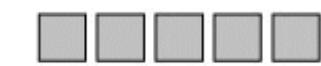
**What determines if  $\Delta$  is large or small?**

**Metals  
Ligands  
Structure**

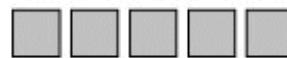
**Size of  $\Delta$  determines color and magnetism**

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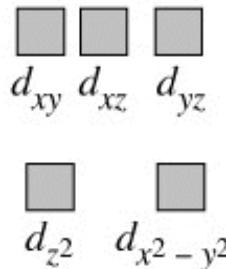




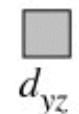
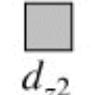
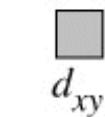
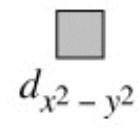
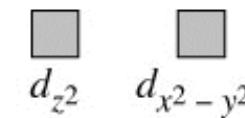
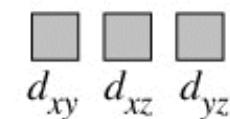
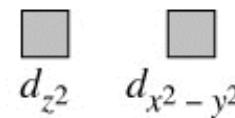
*d*-orbital energies  
in "free" metal  
atom or ion



Average energy  
of *d* orbitals in  
the presence of  
ligands



**(a)** *d* orbitals  
in tetrahedral  
complex



**Fig 20.18** **Fig 20.12** **Fig 20.19**

# Crystal Field Theory

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**For a given metal and ligand:**

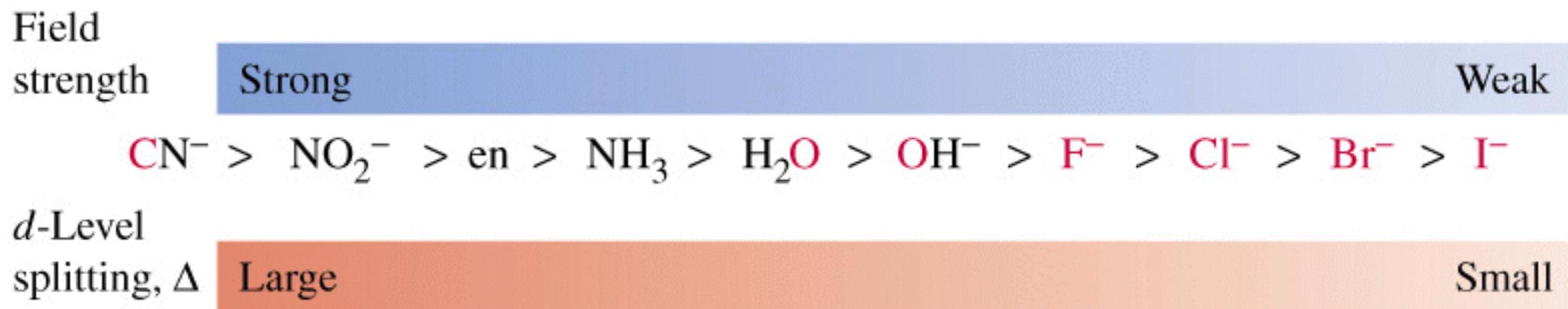
$$\Delta_o > \Delta_t$$

**$\Delta$  increases with increasing oxidation number**

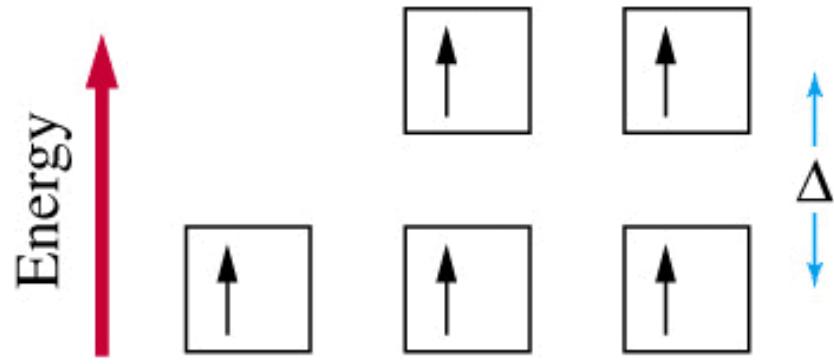
# Crystal Field Theory

For a given metal & oxidation state:

Ligands ordered in spectrochemical series

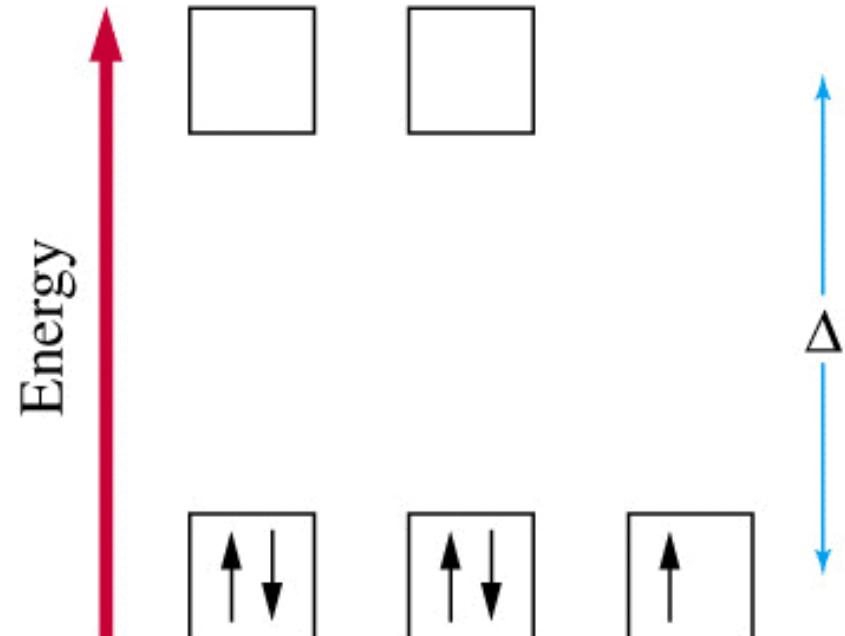


Ligands determine magnetic properties &  $\Delta$



$\text{Fe}^{3+}$  in  $[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$   
A "high spin" complex

**Lots of unpaired e<sup>-</sup>**

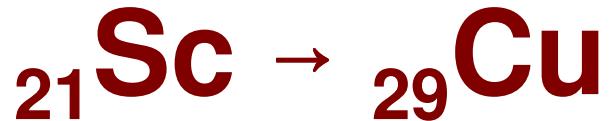


$\text{Fe}^{3+}$  in  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$   
A "low spin" complex

**Few unpaired e<sup>-</sup>**

# Counting d-electrons

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Electrons added  
to 3d subshell



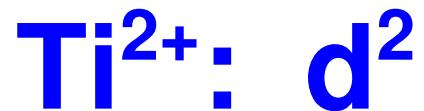
Exceptions



# Counting d-electrons

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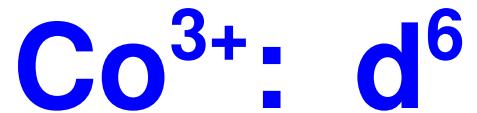
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# Magnetic Properties

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**Odd number of d e<sup>-</sup>: paramagnetic**

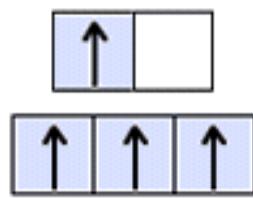
**Even number of d e<sup>-</sup>: diamagnetic**

## Hund's Rule

**Electrons will arrange  
themselves in the same  
sublevel with the maximum  
number of unpaired  
electrons**

High spin:  
weak-field ligand

$d^4$

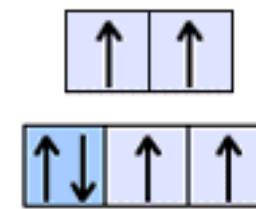


Low spin:  
strong-field ligand

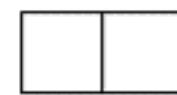


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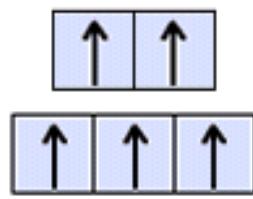
$d^6$



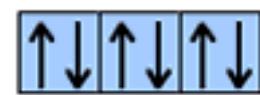
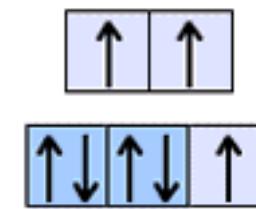
Low spin:  
strong-field ligand



$d^5$

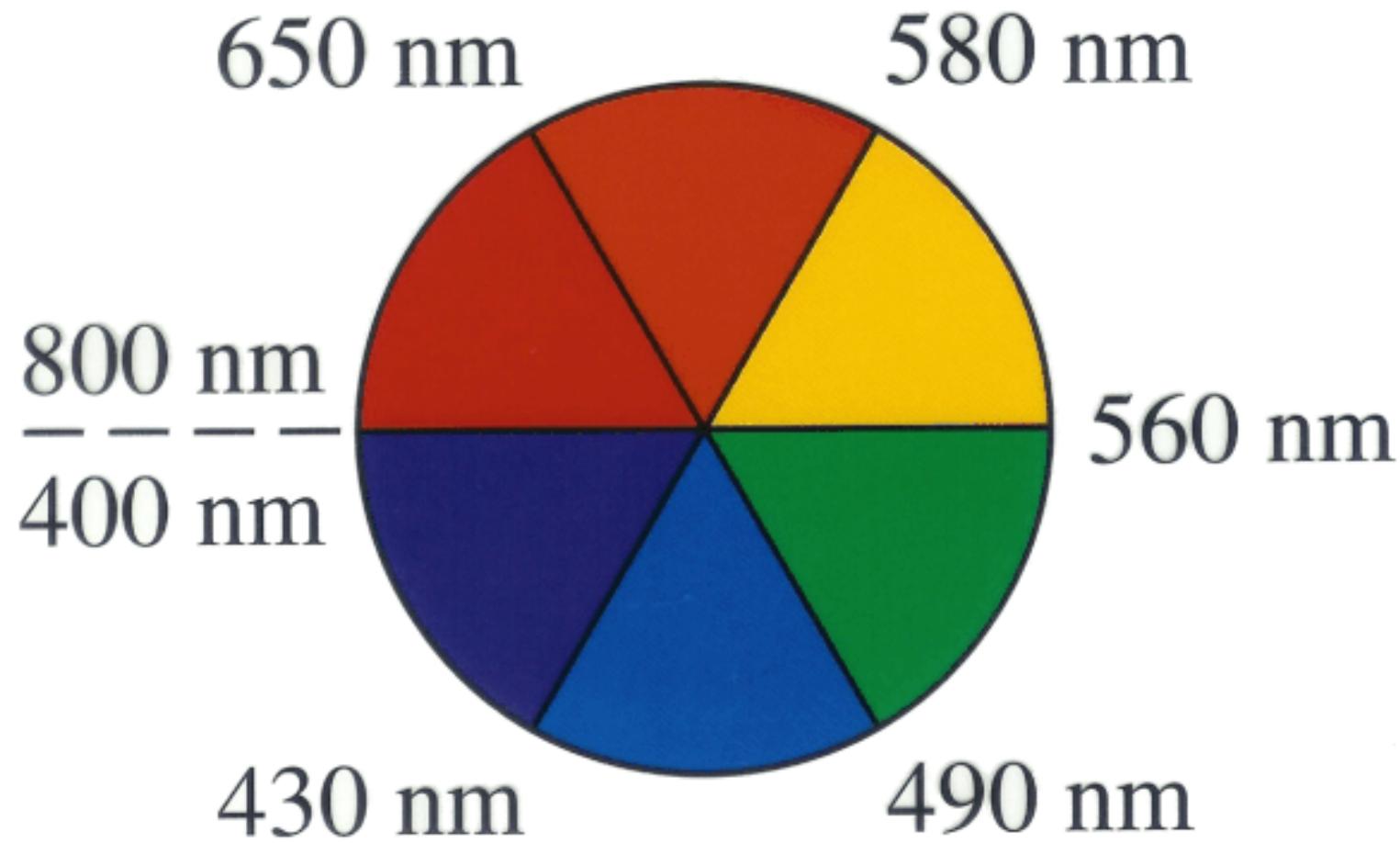


$d^7$



# Color Wheel

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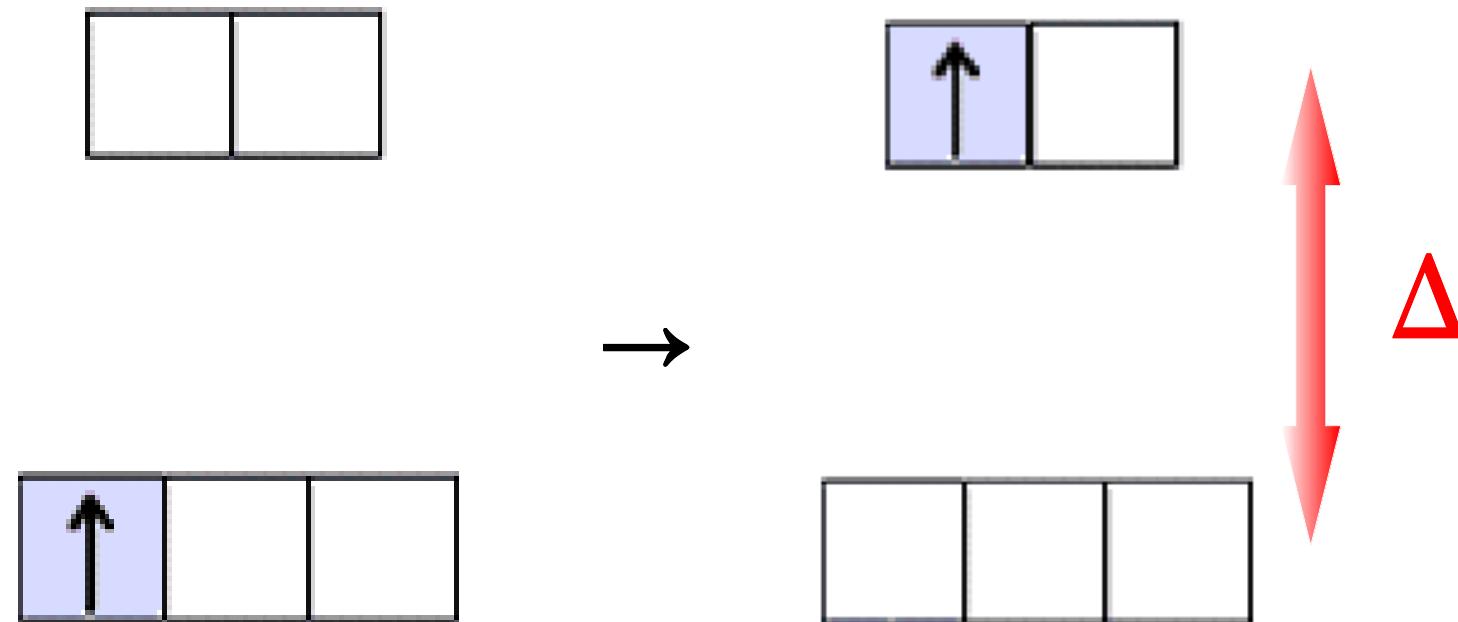


# Calculating $\Delta$

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Absorbed light  $\rightarrow$  electron to jump



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$[\text{Ti}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$  is a violet compound

Absorbs yellow light:  $\lambda = 550 \text{ nm}$

$$\Delta = h\nu = \frac{hc}{\lambda}$$

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$$\Delta = 3.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

# White compounds

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**When  $\Delta$  very large ( $>800$  nm) or  
very small ( $<200$  nm)  
falls outside of visible region**

**When have no d electrons Mn<sup>7+</sup>  
or too many Zn<sup>2+</sup>**