## **CONCEPT: LIGANDS**

## **Ligand Types**

• Molecules or ions that act as \_\_\_\_\_ bases and donate at least \_\_\_\_ lone pair to a metal cation.

Ligand Types				
Neutral Ligands		Anionic Ligands		
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:c≡o:	······································	_:C <b>≡</b> N:	:S=C=N:	

**EXAMPLE**: Which of the following would represent a neutral ligand?

a) Bromide

b) Hydrogen sulfide

c) Ammonium

d) Hydroxide

e) Cyanide

## **Ligand Reaction**

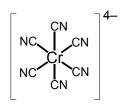
- **Recall:** The adduct = \_\_\_\_\_ of a Lewis base and acid reaction.
  - □ Overall charge of adduct = \_\_\_\_\_ of the metal cation + ligand charges.

Adduct Formation				
Metal Cation	Ligands	Adduct		
Cadmium Ion	Water	Cation-Ligand		
Cd <sup>2+</sup> -	H H	$\begin{array}{c} \longrightarrow \\ \begin{bmatrix} H_2O & OH_2 \\ H_2O & OH_2 \end{bmatrix} \end{array}$		
Lewis	Lewis			

**EXAMPLE**: Determine the adduct product when a Nickel (III) ion combines with 2 bromide ions.

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**PRACTICE:** Determine the charge of the metal cation in the given adduct product below:



a) +1

b) 0

c) –2

d) + 3

e) + 2

**PRACTICE:** Determine the type of ligand connected to the calcium ion.

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} C_5H_5N\text{--}Ca\text{----}NC_5H_5 \end{array}\right]^{2+}$$

- a) Neutral
- b) Anionic
- c) Cationic
- d) Not enough information given.

**PRACTICE:** Determine the overall charge of the adduct when the aluminum ion combines with 2 bromides and 1 chlorides.

a) +1

b) 0

c) -2

- d) –1
- e) +2