## Answer on Question #83240 – Chemistry – General Chemistry

## Task:

A monatomic ion with a  $2^{-}$  charge has the electron configuration  $1s^{2}2s^{2}2p^{6}3s^{2}3p^{6}$ .

(a) What neutral noble-gas atom has the same electron configuration?

(b) What is the monatomic ion with a 2<sup>-</sup> charge that has this configuration?

(c) Write the symbol of an ion with a 1<sup>+</sup> charge that is isoelectronic with the species in [a] and [b].

## Solution:

2 + 2 + 6 + 2 + 6 = 18 electrons contain a monatomic ion with a 2<sup>-</sup> charge.

- a) Let's find a noble-gas atom containing 18 electrons. -> It is Argon (Ar).
- b) Let's find the monoatomic ion with a 2- charge that has this configuration. -> It is sulfide anion (S<sup>2-</sup>).
- c) Let's find symbols of ions with a 1<sup>+</sup> charge that are isoelectronic with the species in (a) and (b). -> This is **potassium cation**, K<sup>+</sup> [for specie (a)] and **phosphorus anion**, P<sup>-</sup> [for specie (b)].

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