

Where Oxidation Number Stops

The Modern Electron Density Concept of Redox

THE ILLUSION



THE REALITY



**ASSUMPTION:
100% COMPLETE
ELECTRON TRANSFER**

Oxidation numbers are theoretical constructs designed purely for balancing complex equations. They do not represent actual, measurable physical charges on atoms in covalent molecules.



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$$E=mc^2$$



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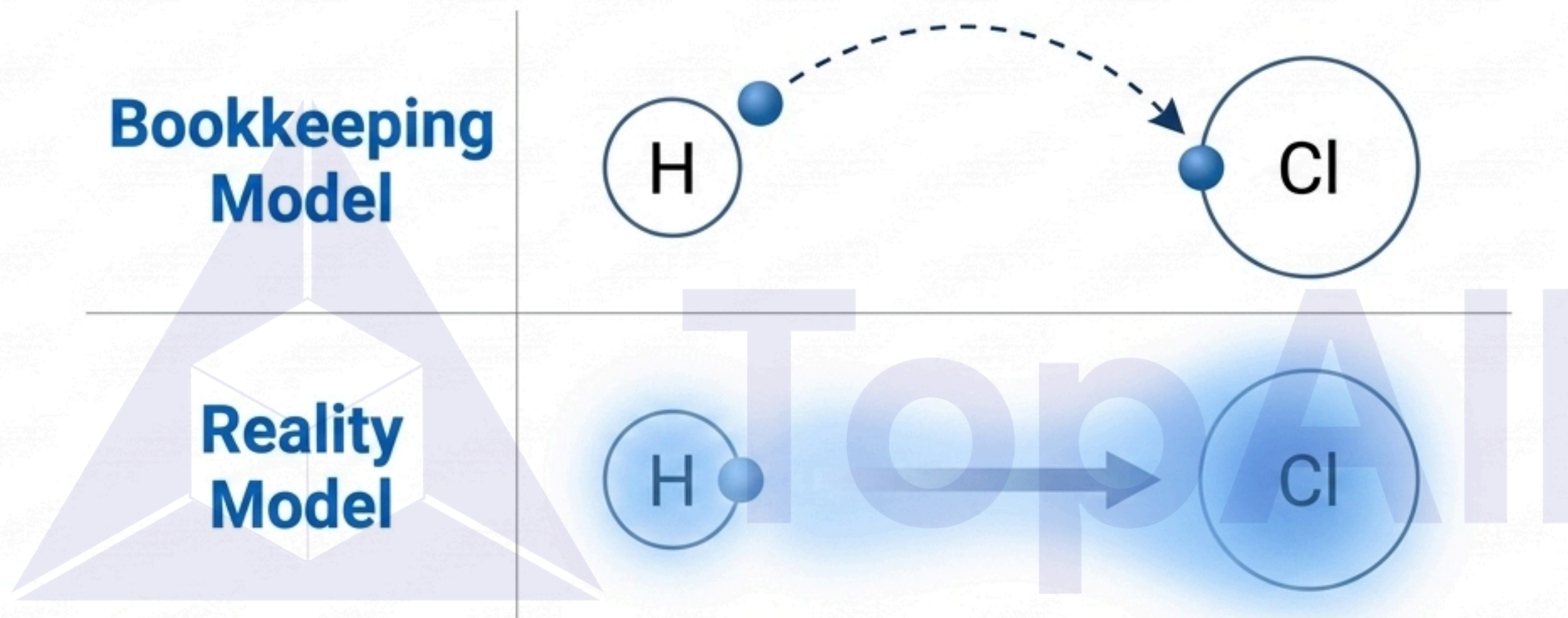
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Reality: Electrons Shift, They Don't Jump



JEE Trap Alert

A +1 oxidation state in a covalent molecule does **NOT** mean the atom has lost a full electron. It implies the shared electron pair is **simply polarized** slightly away by a more electronegative neighbor.

Redefining Oxidation

Oxidation is no longer just the absolute **loss of electrons**. It is the localized **decrease in electron density** around an atom's nucleus.



Formula Bank

Modern Oxidation $\rightarrow$ Electron Density $\downarrow$
around the nucleus.

Redefining Reduction

Highly
electronegative
atom

Before & After

State 1: Neutral

State 2: Reduced



Key Takeaways: The Evolution of Redox

Era 1 (Classical)	Era 2 (Electronic)	Era 3 (Oxidation No.)	Era 4 (Modern)
O/H Transfer (Adding oxygen, removing hydrogen)	Full e ⁻ Transfer (Physical loss/gain of discrete electrons)	Formal State Change (Mathematical bookkeeping)	Electron Density (Quantum shift of probability clouds)

Reduction = Electron Density ↑



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