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PROBLEM	Rank each se	t of ions in	order of <i>decrea</i> ranking:	a <i>sing</i> size, an	d explain your
	(a) Ca <sup>2+</sup> , Sr <sup>2+</sup> , N	/lg <sup>2+</sup>	(b) K <sup>+</sup> , S <sup>2–</sup> , Cl	- (c) Au	⁺, Au³+
PLAN:	Compare position negative ions an	ons in the	periodic table, f s in size due to	ormation of p gain or loss o	ositive and f electrons.
SOLUTI	ON:				
(a) Sr <sup>2+</sup>	> Ca <sup>2+</sup> > Mg <sup>2+</sup>	These a theref	re members of ore decrease in	the same Gro size going up	oup 2A(2) and the group.
(b) S <sup>2-</sup> >	► CI <sup>-</sup> > K <sup>+</sup> The ther	e ions are efore is the	isoelectronic; S e largest while F and is the	<sup>2-</sup> has the sn (* is a cation smallest.	nallest Z <sub>eff</sub> and with a large Z <sub>ef</sub>
(c) Aut >	Au <sup>3+</sup> The hig	her the + o	charge, the sma	ller the ion.	