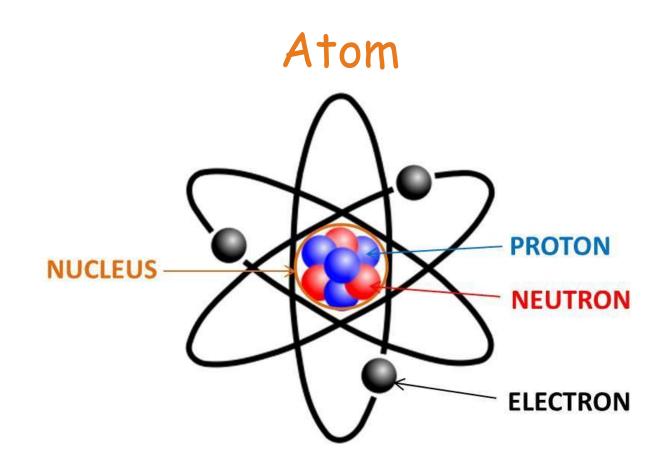


The ATOM & RADIDACTIVITY

Outline

- The atom
- Radioactivity
- The Atomic Nucleus and the Strong Nuclear Force
- Half-Life and Transmutation
- Radiometric Dating
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- Nuclear Fusion



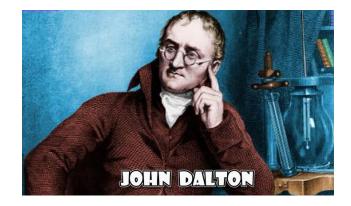
SUBATOMIC PARTICLE	SYMBOL	LOCATION	RELATIVE CHARGE	RELATIVE MASS
electron	e ⁻	outside nucleus	-1	1/1836
proton	p^+	inside nucleus	+1	1
neutron	n^0	inside nucleus	0	1

Atomic Structure Discovered

Ancient Greeks

- Democritus (460-362 BC) indivisible particles called "atoms"
- Prevailing argument (Plato and Aristotle) - matter is continuously and infinitely divisible

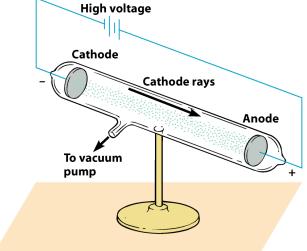
John Dalton (early 1800's) reintroduced atomic theory to explain chemical reactions

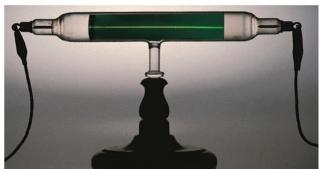


Discovery of the Electron

J. J. Thomson (late 1800's)

- Performed cathode ray experiments
- Discovered negatively charged electron
- Measured electron's charge-to-mass ratio
- Identified electron as a fundamental particle





Cathode-Ray Tube

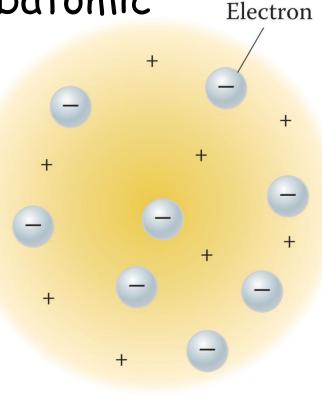


Thomson Model of the Atom

- Toward the end of the 1800s, evidence was seen that atoms were divisible.
- Two subatomic particles were discovered.
 - 1. Negatively charged *electrons*, e⁻.
 - 2. Positively charged *protons*, p⁺.
- An electron has a relative charge of -1, and a proton has a relative charge of +1.
- Found charge-to-mass ratio $\frac{q_e}{m_e}$

Thomson Model of the Atom, Continued

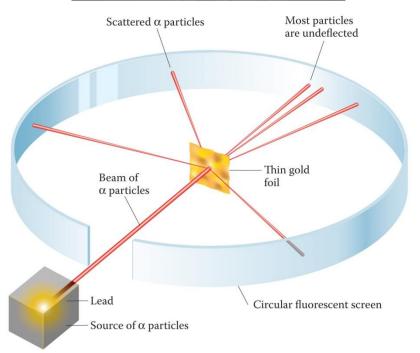
- J. J. Thomson proposed a subatomic model of the atom in 1903.
- Thomson proposed that the electrons were distributed evenly throughout a homogeneous sphere of positive charge.
- This was called the plum pudding model of the atom.



Rutherford Model of the Atom

- Rutherford fired alpha particles (positive particles) at thin gold foils. If the plum pudding model of the atom was correct, α particles should pass through undeflected.
- However, some of the alpha particles were deflected backward.

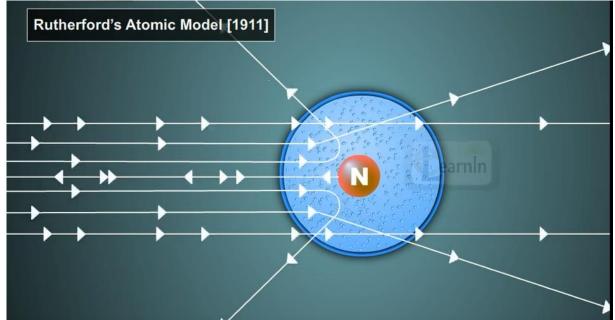




Rutherford Model of the Atom, Continued

- Most of the alpha particles passed through the foil because an atom is largely empty space.
- At the center of an atom is the atomic nucleus, which contains the atom's protons.

The alpha particles that bounced backward did so after striking the dense nucleus.

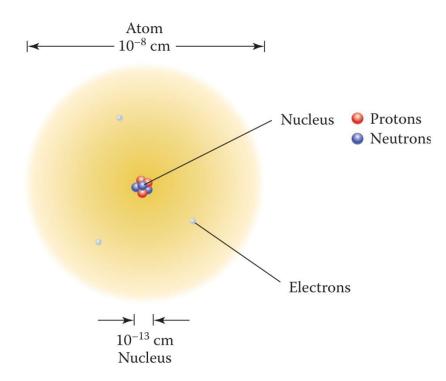


Rutherford Model of the Atom, Continued

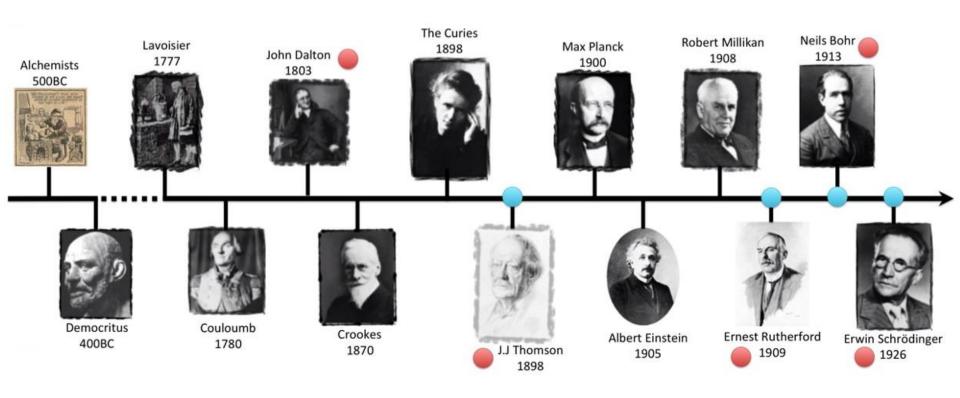
Rutherford proposed a new model of the atom:

The negatively charged electrons are distributed around a positively charged nucleus.

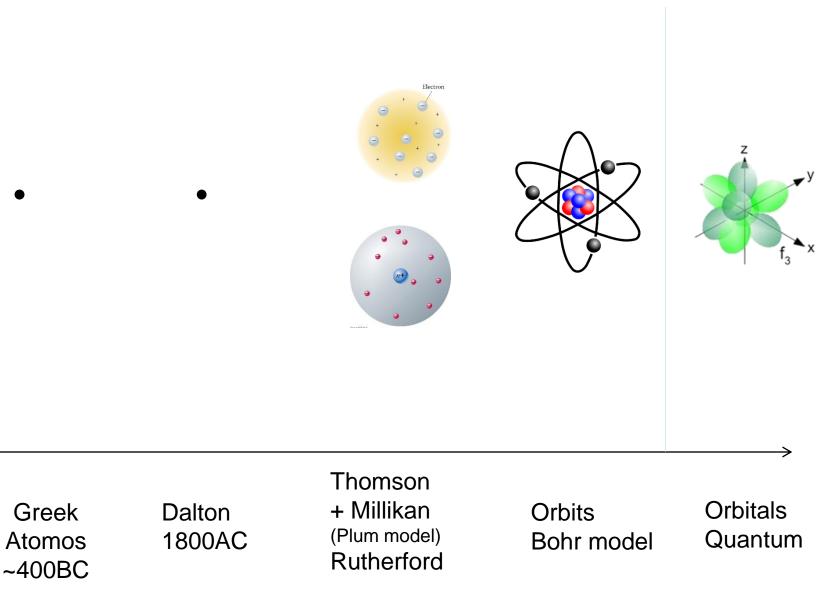
- An atom has a diameter of about 1 \times 10⁻⁸ cm and the nucleus has a diameter of about 1 \times 10⁻¹³ cm.
- If an atom were the size of the Superdome, the nucleus would be the size of a marble.



The atom

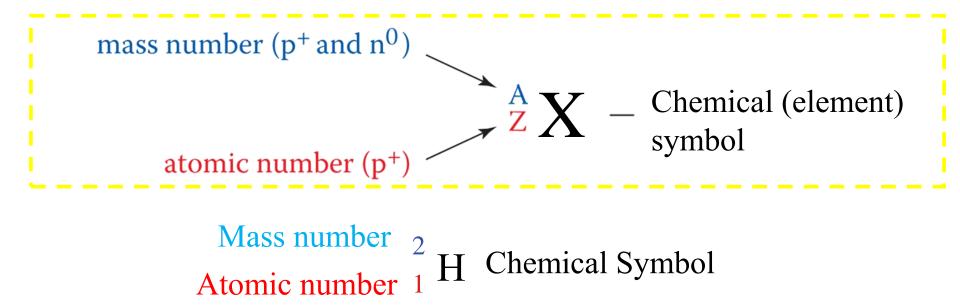






Atomic Notation

- Each element has a characteristic number of protons in the nucleus. This is the *atomic number*, Z.
- The total number of protons and neutrons in the nucleus of an atom is the mass number, A.
- We use atomic notation to display the number of protons and neutrons in the nucleus of an atom:



Using Atomic Notation

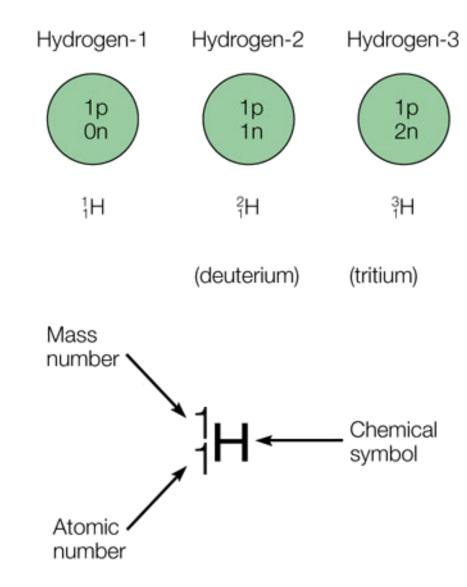
- An example: $\frac{29}{14}$ Si
- The element is silicon (symbol Si).
- The atomic number is 14; silicon has 14 protons.
- The mass number is 29; the atom of silicon has 29 protons + neutrons.
- The number of neutrons is A Z = 29 14 = 15 neutrons.

The Nuclear Atom

- Atomic number
 - Number of protons in nucleus
 - Elements distinguished by atomic number
 - 113 elements identified
 - Number of protons = number of electrons in neutral atoms

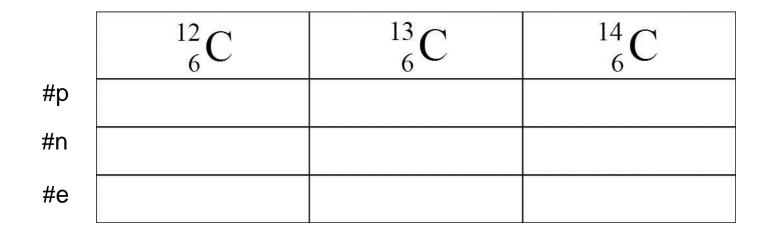
Isotopes

 Same number of protons; different number of neutrons



Learning Check

There are three naturally occurring isotopes of carbon: ${}^{12}C$, ${}^{13}C$, and ${}^{14}C$. State the number of protons, neutrons, and electrons in each of these isotopes.



Using Atomic Notation

If a neutral element has the following chemical symbol, how many electrons does it have? $235 \\ 92 U$

92 C
A) 92
B) 82
C) 235
D) 143
E) none of the above

The atom: atomic notation

Complete the following table.

Atomic Notation	Atomic Number	Mass Number	Number of p ⁺	Number of n ^o	Number of e ⁻
		209	83		
				74	53
⁵³ 24					



 The average mass is calculated by multiplying the mass for each isotope by the fraction of the isotope (%/100) and adding the numbers together.

Average mass= (mass of isotope 1)(fraction abundance of isotope 1) + (mass of isotope 2)(fraction abundance of isotope 2) +...

All Isotopes are NOT Created Equal

 $(isotope mass 1) \times (abundance 1) + (isotope mass 2) \times (abundance 2) = average atomic mass$

- % Abundance = 75.77 % 0.7577

(isotope mass 1)×(abundance 1)+(isotope mass 2)×(abundance 2) = average atomic mass 34.9689 x 0.7577 + 36.9659 x 0.2423 = 35.45amu 1/2Where have I seen this before?

Periodic Table gives <u>AVERAGE ATOMIC MASS</u> in amu!!

Average Atomic Mass

Ex: Gallium has two isotopes:

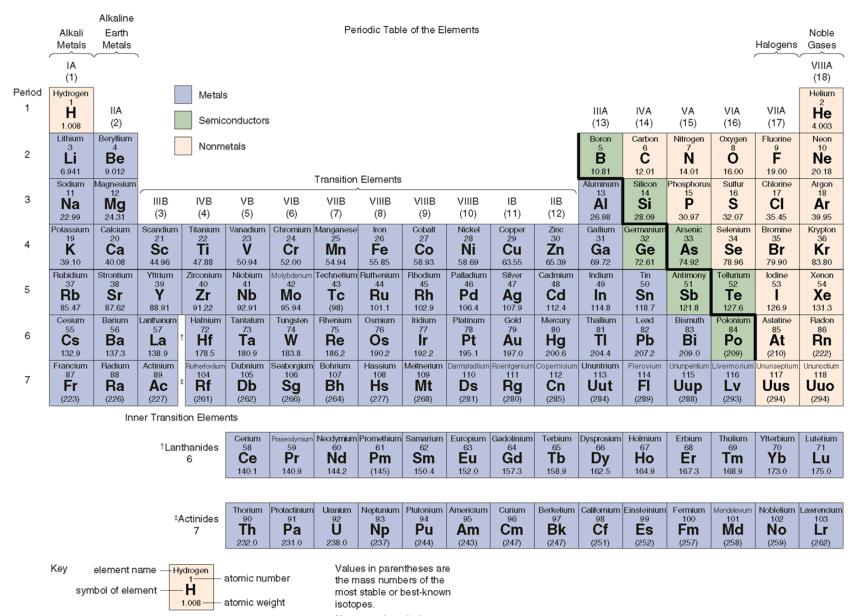
- 1. ⁶⁹Ga, with a mass of 68.926 amu and 60.11% abundance.
- 2. ⁷¹Ga, with a mass of 70.925 amu and 39.89% abundance.

Average mass= (mass of isotope 1)(fraction abundance of isotope 1) + (mass of isotope 2)(fraction abundance of isotope 2) +...

The average atomic mass of copper is:

(68.926 amu)(0.6011) + (70.925 amu)(0.3989) = 69.72 amu

The Periodic Table

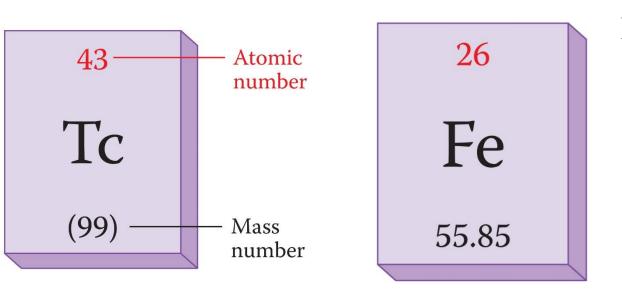


Atomic Notation

mass number $(p^+ and n^0)$

 $\sum_{z}^{A}Sy$ — symbol of the element

atomic number (p⁺)



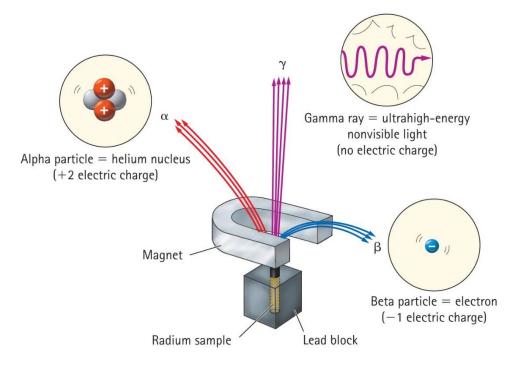
Periodic Table Notation

Radioactivity:

- Results from radioactive decay, which is the process whereby unstable atomic nuclei transform and emit radiation.
- Has existed longer than the human race.
- Most elements are not radioactive (99.9%)
- Elements greater than 82 may be radioactive

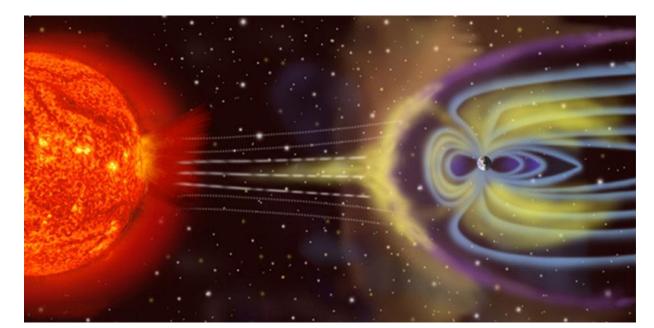
Types of radiation:

- alpha (α)—carries positive electrical charge
- beta (β)—carries negative electrical charge
- gamma (γ)—carries no charge



Most radiation we encounter is:

- Natural background radiation that originates in Earth and space (cosmic rays from the Sun and stars).
- More intense at higher altitudes.



Alpha particle:

- consists of two protons and two neutrons (a helium nucleus)
- loses energy quickly during interaction
- can be stopped easily by a few pieces of paper due to its large mass and double positive charge
- does not normally penetrate lightweight material (paper, clothing)
- causes significant damage to the surface of a material (living tissue) due to great kinetic energy
- picks up electrons and becomes harmless helium when traveling through air
- is deflected in the presence of magnetic or electric fields

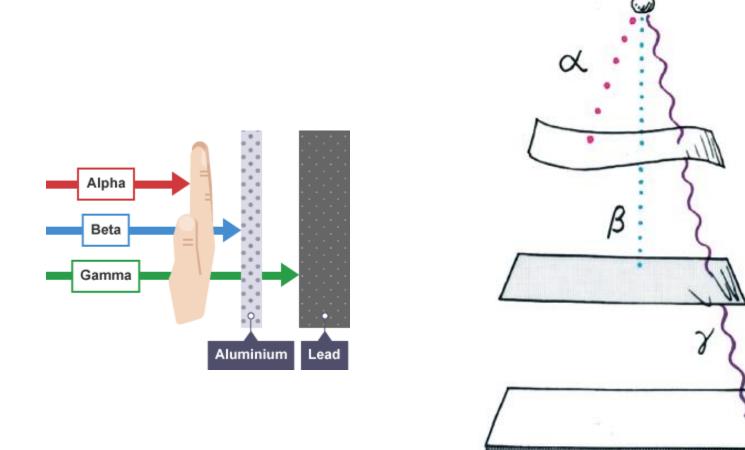
Beta particle:

- is an ejected electron from a neutron
- has both a smaller mass and electric charge than an alpha particle, and moves faster
- loses energy at a slower rate in air and travels farther before stopping
- can be stopped by several sheets of aluminum foil
- penetrates fairly deeply into skin (potential for harming or killing living cells)
- once stopped, becomes an ordinary electron
- is deflected in the opposite direction to an alpha particle in the presence of magnetic and electric fields

Gamma rays:

- are high-frequency electromagnetic radiation
- are emitted when a nucleus in an excited state moves to a lower energy state
- are more harmful than alpha or beta particles
- are most penetrating because they have no mass or charge
- are pure energy, greater per photon than in visible or ultraviolet light and X-rays
- are unaffected by magnetic and electric fields, and therefore interact via direct hit with an atom

Radioactivity: Alpha, Beta and gamma rays



Radioactive source Paper

Aluminum

Lead

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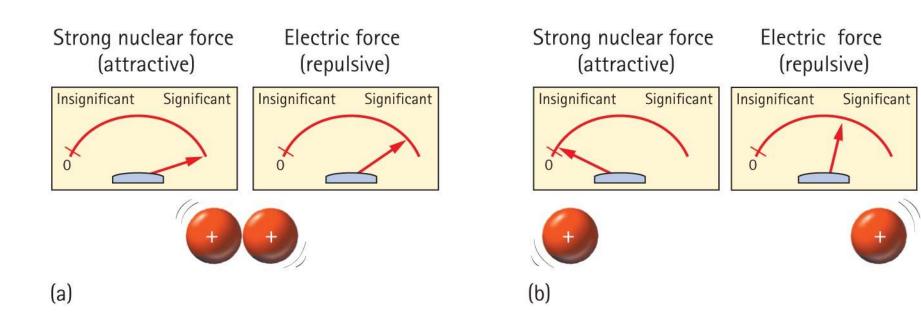
In class question

Suppose you are given three radioactive cookies one an alpha emitter, one a beta emitter, one a gamma emitter. You must eat one, hold one in your hand, and put the other in your pocket. How can you minimize your exposure to radiation?



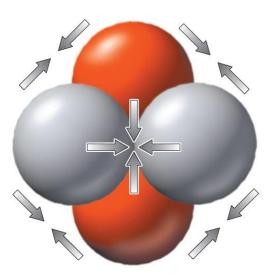
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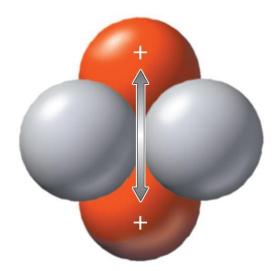
The strong nuclear force : a very distance sensitive attraction between nucleons.



The Atomic Nucleus and the Strong Nuclear Force

The presence of neutrons helps hold the nucleus together.





All nucleons, both protons and neutrons, attract one another by the strong nuclear force. Only protons repel one another by the electric force.

The Atomic Nucleus and the Strong Nuclear Force But in large nuclei, far-apart neutrons are

less effective in holding a nucleus

together.

(b) Nucleons far apart