Conceptual Physics
Matter
Atoms
Solids

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Kinds of Atoms

Atoms are neutral (net charge 0), so each atom has the same number of protons and electrons.

The atomic mass is the sum of the number of protons and neutrons ($\times 1.67 \times 10^{-27}$ kg). Electrons can be neglected because they have so little mass.

Kinds of Atoms

Element	# Protons/Electons	# Neutrons	Atomic Mass
Hydrogen	1	0	1
Helium	2	2	4
Lithium	3	4	7
Berylium	4	5	9
Boron	5	6	11
Carbon	6	6	12
Nitrogen	7	7	14
Oxygen	8	8	16
Fluorine	9	10	19
Neon	10	10	20

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4	19 K	20 Ca	21 Sc	22 Ti	23 V	24 Cr	25 Mn	26 Fe	27 Co	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 Zn	31 Ga	32 Ge	33 As	34 Se	35 Br	36 Kr
5	37 Rb	38 Sr	39 Y	40 Zr	41 Nb	42 Mo	43 Tc	44 Ru	45 Rh	46 Pd	47 Ag	48 Cd	49 In	50 Sn	51 Sb	52 Te	53 I	54 Xe
6	55 Cs	56 Ba	*	72 Hf	73 Ta	74 W	75 Re	76 Os	77 Ir	78 Pt	79 Au	80 Hg	81 Tl	82 Pb	83 Bi	84 Po	85 At	86 Rn
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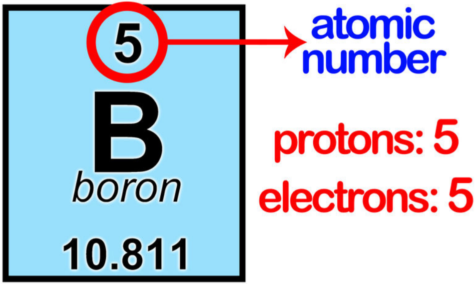

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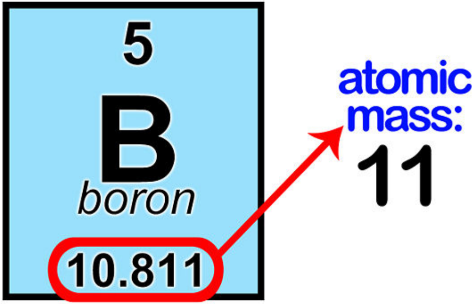

Boron has a mass of 11 amu or “atomic mass units”.

1 amu $= 1/12$ of the mass of one carbon atom.

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Guests are lazy, so they will take a room in the lowest available floor. However, when low floor rooms are taken, they will climb the stairs to a room on the next floor.

Only one guest can occupy each room, and different floors have different numbers of rooms.

1st floor: 2 rooms; 2nd floor; 8 rooms, and so on.

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Electrons really do operate in a similar fashion.

No two electrons in a single atom can be in exactly the same state.

Very bizarrely, this comes from a symmetry argument: fundamental particles have certain kinds of symmetry they must obey. (Pauli Exclusion Principle)

We call the different “hotel floors” for electrons **energy levels**.

Example: Carbon

Carbon has 6 electrons.

The two rooms (states) on the ground floor and 4 of the 8 rooms (states) on the next floor are filled.

The states that are occupied determine a lot of properties about how the atom (and hence the element) behaves.

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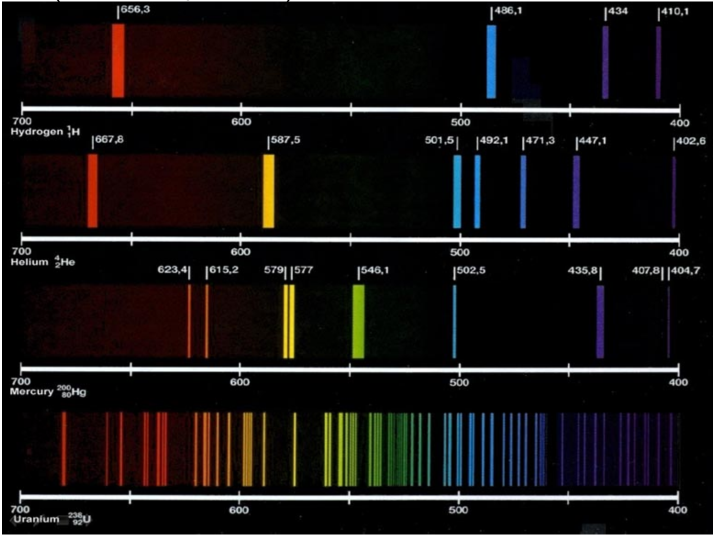
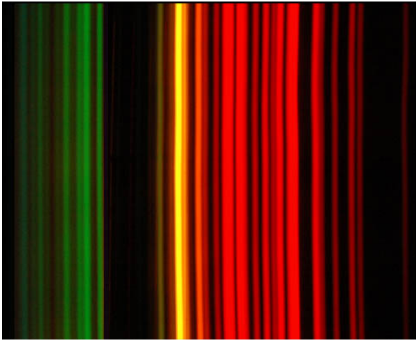
Atomic Spectra

Each kind of element has its own characteristic colors of light that it emits (emission spectrum).



[1] Image from http://www.chemistryland.com.

Atomic Spectrum of Neon



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Neon sign

[1] Images from http://hyperphysics.phy-astr.gsu.edu.

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But, they can have different number of neutrons.

An example: Carbon-13.

Most carbon atoms have 6 protons and 6 neutrons for an atomic mass of 12.

A few (about 1%) have 7 neutrons for an atomic mass of 13.

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Sodium, Na, tends to lose one electron. The ion is: Na^{+}.

Chlorine, Cl, tends to gain one electron. The ion is: Cl^{-}

Magnesium, Mg, loses two electrons to form Mg^{2+}

Compounds

compound

a substance formed when atoms or ions of different elements react and bond together. A compound may have quite different properties that the starting elements.

This is different from a mixture

mixture

two or more different elements put together that do not react to form a new substance

Molecules

One way that atoms react to form compounds is through covalent bonds.

Example: water

Hydrogen - Oxygen - Hydrogen

which we write as H_2O.

covalent bond

the sharing of electrons between atoms, causing them to stick together

Atoms of the same element can also bond this way, for example oxygen: O_2, and nitrogen: N_2.

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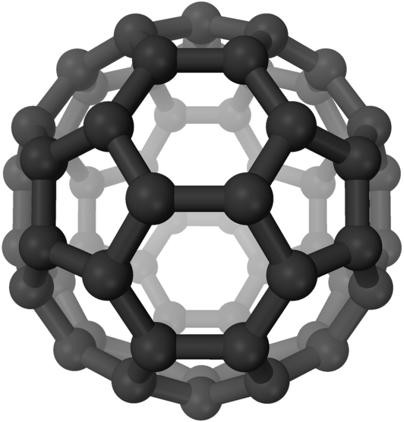

C_{60}, Buckminsterfullerene.

[1] Figure by Benjah-bmm27, Wikipedia.

Exotic Matter: Antimatter

Particles exist that have the same mass as the basic constituent particles of atoms we discussed earlier, but are sort of mirror-image particles.

They have the same mass, but opposite charge and other particle properties.

The electron's antiparticle is the positron (e^+).

The positron was seen as a valid solution to Dirac's equation and thus predicted before it was observed in 1932.

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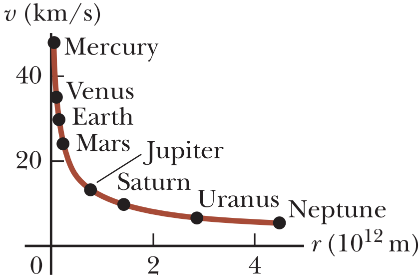

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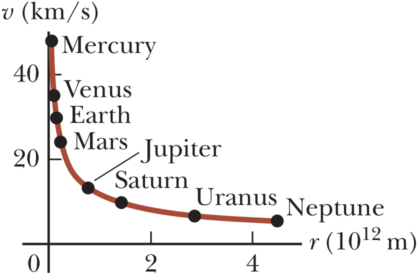

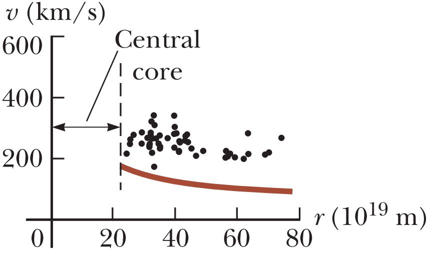

$$v \propto \sqrt{\frac{m}{r}}$$

We know that it accounts for perhaps 23% of the mass in the universe, but we don't know what it is.

Phases of Matter

The rest of the chapters in section 2 of the textbook deal with phases of matter: solids, liquids, gases, and plasmas.

Solids

In solid matter, the atoms or molecules making up the matter are not free to move around.

They are *frozen* in place.

Examples:

- rocks
- crystals
- ice
- most metals at room temperature
- most everything at extremely low temperatures (but not quite everything)

Crystal Structure

crystal

a material whose constituent atoms are arranged in a regular array (lattice)

Examples:

- metals that are solid - iron, copper, gold, etc.
- salts - sodium chloride (table salt)
- minerals - quartz, topaz, diamond

Glass is *not* a crystal. It is an *amorphous solid*.

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Diamond for example, is one giant carbon molecule.

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[1]Metals, http://www.luckysci.com
[2]Salt, Potassium dichromate, Wikipedia user Benjah-bmm27
[3]Mineral, Quartz, Wikipedia user, Archaeodontosaurus

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Iridium is the densest material found on Earth at 2.265×10^4 kg/m^3.

The density of water is $1 \text{ g/cm}^3 = 1000 \text{ kg/m}^3$.

Density Question

American red oak has a density of 7.4×10^2 kg/m^3.

You are told by a new supplier that a sample of wood is American red oak. You measure its dimensions:

length: 1 m
width: 20 cm
depth: 6 cm

and you find its mass is 8.9 kg. Is the supplier giving you the correct kind of wood?

(A) Yes
(B) No

Elasticity

Elasticity is a property of some solids: they can be deformed and return on their own to their original shape.

A spring is a device that makes use of this effect: it is a coil of metal.

It can be stretched to a longer length or compressed to a shorter one, but when released will return to its original length.

Elasticity

The force that the spring exerts to restore itself to its original length is proportional to how much it is compressed or stretched.

This is called Hooke's Law:

$$F = -kx$$

where x is the distance that the spring is stretched or compressed by and k is a constant that depends on the spring itself. (The "spring constant").

If a very large force is put on the spring eventually it will break: it will not return to its original shape. The *elastic limit* is the maximum distance the spring can be stretched so that it still returns to its original shape.

Spring example

If a 2 kg painting is hung from a spring, the spring stretches 10 cm. What if instead a 4 kg painting is hung from the spring? How far will it stretch?

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Now suppose a 6 kg painting is hung from the same spring. How far does it stretch?

[Also see prob. 4 from the textbook.]

Tension, Compression, and Arches

The St. Louis Gateway arch is a *catenary*. The shape is a hyperbolic cosine.

$$\cosh x = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2}$$

[0]Picture from Wikipedia.

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Homework Hewitt,

- PREVIOUS: Ch 11, onward from page 211. Ranking: 1; Exercises: 1, 13, 9, 11, 15, 17, 21, 27
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