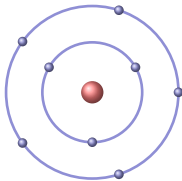


Atomic Structure and Properties

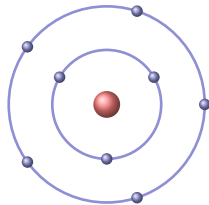
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What we will cover

- 1 Moles and molar mass
- 2 Mass spectra and isotopes
- 3 Formulas and mixtures
- 4 Electron configuration
- 5 Photoelectron spectroscopy
- 6 Periodic trends
- 7 Ionic compounds





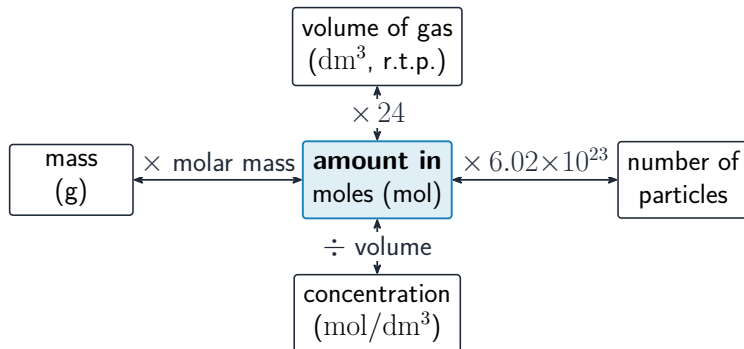
Moles and molar mass

The **mole** bridges grams (what we weigh) and particles (what a reaction sees):



$$N_A = 6.022 \times 10^{23}; \quad n = \frac{m}{M}. \quad 36.0 \text{ g of water} = 2.0 \text{ mol} = 1.2 \times 10^{24} \text{ molecules.}$$

The mole is the hub



The mole is the hub: convert between mass, particles, gas volume, and concentration



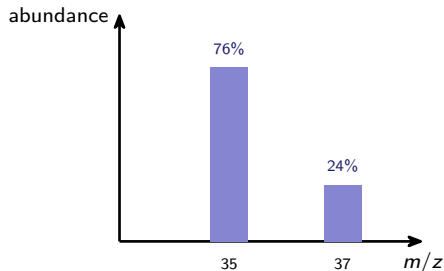
Mass spectra and isotopes

Isotopes share protons but differ in neutrons – so in mass. A **mass spectrometer** sorts them.

Average atomic mass

$$\bar{m} = \sum (\text{mass} \times \text{abundance})$$

Cl: $0.758(35) + 0.242(37) = 35.45$ – the taller bar pulls the average toward it.





Formulas and mixtures

Empirical formula recipe

percent $\rightarrow$ mass $\rightarrow$ mole $\rightarrow$ divide by small $\rightarrow$
multiply til whole

40%C, 6.7%H, 53.3%O $\Rightarrow$ 1:2:1 $\Rightarrow$ **empirical formula** CH₂O.

Molecular formula = a whole-number multiple of the empirical one.

A **mixture** has variable composition; a **compound** is fixed.

- **homogeneous** – uniform (a solution)
- **heterogeneous** – visibly different parts

Molarity

$$c = \frac{n}{V} \quad \left(\frac{\text{mol}}{\text{L}}\right)$$

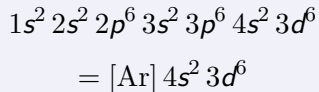


Atomic structure and electron configuration

Electrons fill **subshells** s, p, d, f (holding 2, 6, 10, 14) by three rules:

- **Aufbau** – lowest energy first
- **Pauli** – 2 per orbital, opposite spin
- **Hund** – spread out singly before pairing

Iron, $Z = 26$



The outer **valence electrons** drive bonding – so a column shares chemistry.



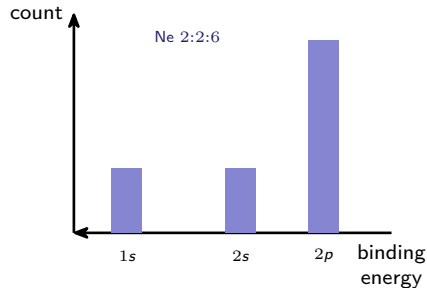
Photoelectron spectroscopy

PES measures how tightly each electron is held:

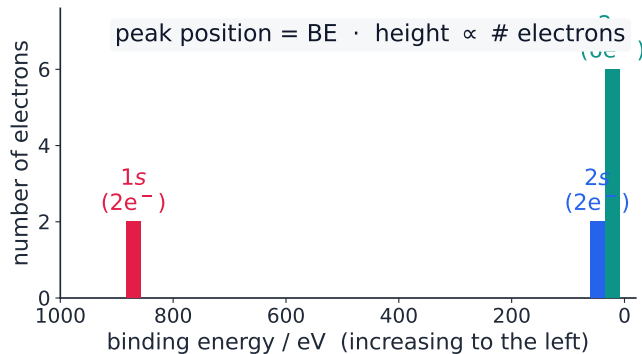
Binding energy

$$\text{BE} = \text{photon} - KE_{\text{electron}}$$

- each peak = one subshell (left = held tightest)
- peak height = number of electrons

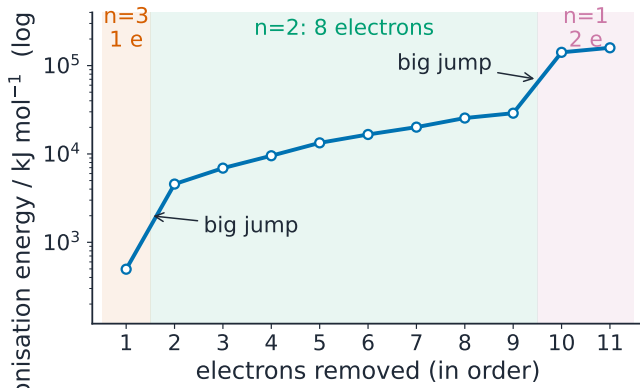


The photoelectron spectrum of neon: one peak – one



The photoelectron spectrum of neon: one peak per subshell, height set by electron count

The photoelectron spectrum of neon: one peak – two



Successive ionisation energies reveal the shell structure through big jumps



Periodic trends

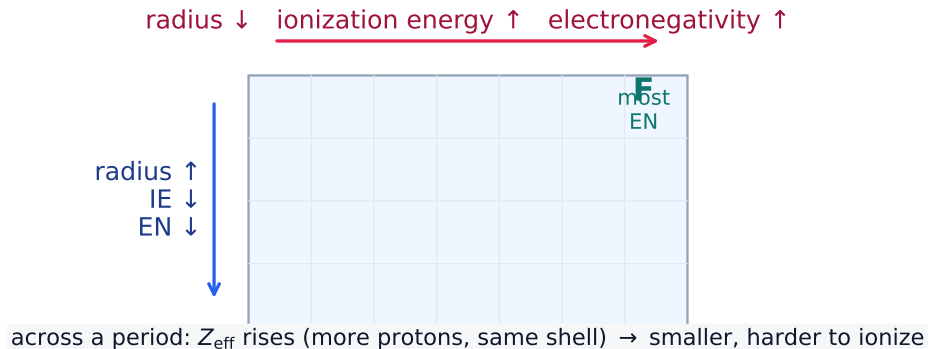
Trends trace a tug-of-war: **effective nuclear charge** vs **shielding** .

- **atomic radius** : down across, up a group
- **ionization energy** : up across, down a group
- **electronegativity** : up across (F is highest)



Flame colors reveal electron structure

Periodic trends: how radius



Periodic trends: how radius, ionization energy, and electronegativity change across and down



Valence electrons and ionic compounds

Main-group atoms chase a full **octet** :

- **metals** *lose* electrons → cations
- **nonmetals** *gain* them → anions

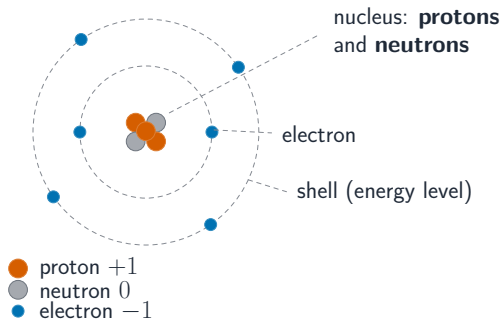
An **ionic bond** is the **Coulomb** pull; higher charge + smaller ions ⇒ stronger **lattice energy** ($\text{MgO} \gg \text{NaCl}$).

PERIODIC TABLE OF ELEMENTS

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
1 H																	2 He
3 Li	4 Be											5 B	6 C	7 N	8 O	9 F	10 Ne
11 Na	12 Mg											13 Al	14 Si	15 P	16 S	17 Cl	18 Ar
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
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
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
87 Fr	88 Ra		104 Rf	105 Db	106 Sg	107 Bh	108 Hs	109 Mt	110 Ds	111 Rg	112 Cu						
57 La	58 Ce	59 Pr	60 Nd	61 Pm	62 Sm	63 Eu	64 Gd	65 Tb	66 Dy	67 Ho	68 Er	69 Tm	70 Yb	71 Lu			
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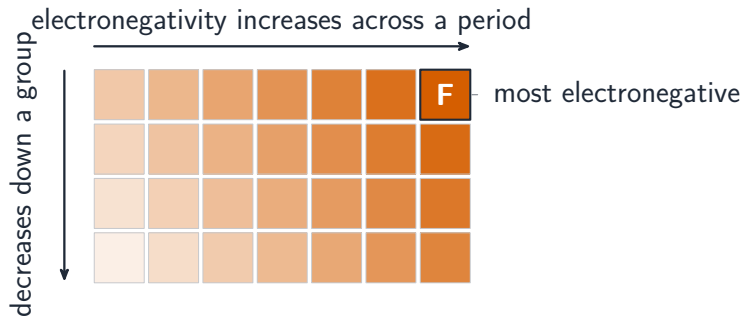
Trends follow the table's structure

Atomic Structure and Electron Configuration, continued



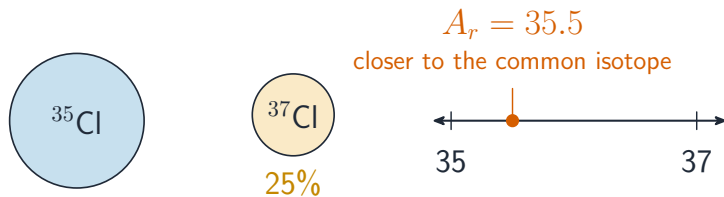
An atom: a tiny nucleus of protons and neutrons, with electrons in shells

Periodic Trends, continued



Electronegativity rises across a period and falls down a group

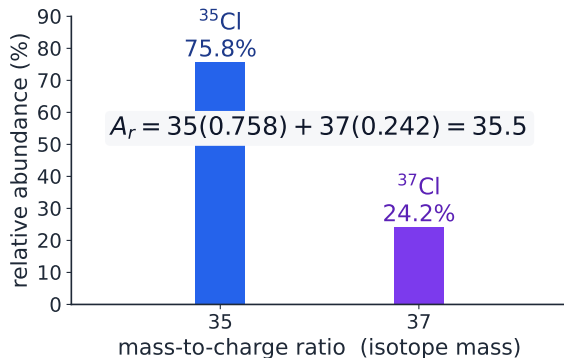
Mass Spectra of Elements



$$A_r = \frac{(35 \times 75) + (37 \times 25)}{100} = 35.5 \quad \text{a **weighted average** by abundance}$$

Relative atomic mass is the abundance-weighted average of the isotopes

The mass spectrum of chlorine



The mass spectrum of chlorine: two isotopes with different abundances

Elemental Composition of Pure Substances

The **percent composition** of a compound is each element's mass fraction.

From it you find the **empirical formula** (simplest whole-number ratio of atoms) by converting each element's mass to moles and dividing by the smallest.

Finding the empirical formula

element	% by mass	$\div A_r \rightarrow$ moles	smallest (3.33)	ratio
C	40.0	$40.0/12 = 3.33$	1.0	1
H	6.7	$6.7/1 = 6.7$	2.0	2
O	53.3	$53.3/16 = 3.33$	1.0	1

empirical formula CH_2O - if $M_r = 180$, it fits $180/30 = 6$ times: molecular formula $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6$

Finding the empirical formula: mass to moles, divide by the smallest, read the ratio

Exam tips

- Use the mole as the hub: convert grams ↔ moles with $n = m/M$ and moles ↔ particles with Avogadro's number.
- Relative atomic mass is the **abundance-weighted average** of the isotopes – it lies closer to the more abundant one, not halfway.
- For an **empirical formula**, turn each element's mass into moles and divide by the smallest; scale up to whole numbers.
- Read **periodic trends** from nuclear charge and shielding: atomic radius decreases across a period, ionisation energy and electronegativity increase across (and up).
- Fill electron configurations in energy order; the outer **valence electrons** control the chemistry.



Unit 1 – key takeaways

1

Moles

$$N_A = 6.022 \times 10^{23}; n = m/M;$$
$$c = n/V$$

2

Spectra

isotopes give a weighted-average mass; PES: peak = subshell

3

Configuration

s, p, d, f by Aufbau/Pauli/Hund;
valence drives chemistry

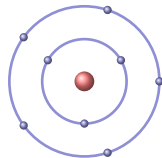
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Trends

radius down across, IE/EN up;
ionic bonds by Coulomb

Check yourself

- 1 How many moles are in 18 g of water ($M = 18$)?
- 2 In a PES spectrum, what does a peak's height tell you?
- 3 Across a period, does atomic radius rise or fall?
- 4 Na^+ and O^{2-} – what is the formula of the compound?



Answers 1. 1.0 mol 2. the number of electrons in that subshell 3. it falls 4. Na_2O