

## Chemistry 151: Basic Chemistry

Chapter 2 Sections 2.1-2.3: Atoms, Isotopes and more



## Basic Terms of Chemistry

**Matter:** Anything that has mass and occupies space – things you can see, touch, taste, or smell.

**Property:** a characteristic that can be used to describe a substance.

**Size, color, temperature** are familiar properties of matter. Less familiar properties include:

**Chemical composition:** what matter is made of.

**Chemical Reactivity:** how matter behaves, *reactions*.

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## Physical and Chemical Change

A **Physical Change** does not alter the chemical makeup of a substance. Change is **reversible**.

*Example:* Melting of solid ice; only change in form takes place and change is reversible.

A **Chemical Change** alters chemical composition of a substance. Change is **irreversible**.

*Example:* Rusting of iron; iron combines with oxygen and produces a new substance (rust).

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## States of Matter

Matter exist in three forms: *solid, liquid, and gas*.

**Solids** have **definite shape and volume**.

**Liquids** have **definite volume** but **changes shape** to fill containers.

**Gases** have neither **definite volume** or **definite shape**.

Most substances, such as **water**, can exist in all three states depending on the **temperature**.

The conversion of a substance from one state into another is known as **change of state**.



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The **solid, liquid and gaseous states of water** are shown below:



(a) Ice: A solid has a definite volume and a definite shape independent of its container.



(b) Water: A liquid has a definite volume but a variable shape that depends on its container.



(c) Steam: A gas has both variable volume and shape that depend on its container.

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More on the Kinetic Molecular Theory (KMT) of Matter in CH 221!

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## Classification of Matter

**Pure Substance:** Uniform in its chemical composition and properties. **Sugar** (a compound) and **water** (compound) are pure substances.

**Elements and Compounds** can be pure.

**Mixture:** Composition and properties may vary. Different amounts of sugar dissolved in water will determine sweetness of water.

Mixtures can be **heterogeneous** (single phase) or **homogeneous** (single phase)

**Sugar water** is a homogeneous mixture, **sand** is a heterogeneous mixture

## Elements and Compounds

**Elements** cannot be broken down chemically into simpler substances, "building blocks" of nature.

**Hydrogen, oxygen, and nitrogen** are example of elements.

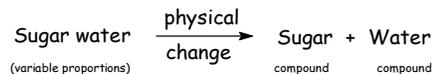
**Chemical Compounds** can be broken down into elements or other compounds.

**Water** is a chemical compound since it can be broken down into hydrogen and oxygen.

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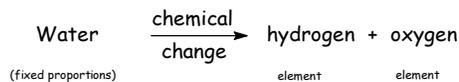
## Mixtures and compounds contain more than one substance. What's the difference?

Mixture:



Mixtures broken down to compounds or elements by physical changes

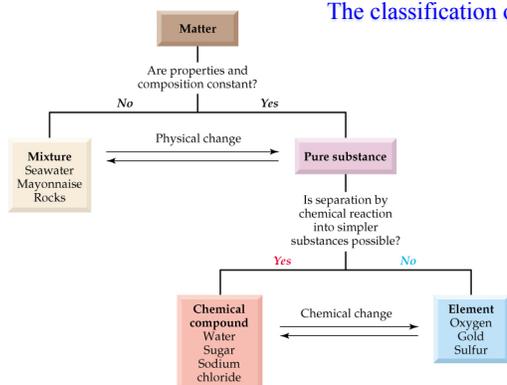
Compound:



Compounds broken down to elements by chemical changes

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### The classification of matter scheme:

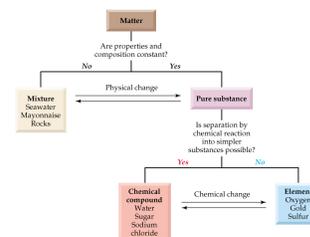


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### Test yourself:

pizza  
Coke  
water  
silicon  
iron  
rust

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## Chemical Elements and Symbols

Approximately **118 Elements** are known - they are listed on the **periodic table**.

Only 90 of these elements occur naturally, remaining elements synthesized in lab.

Some familiar elements are iron, tin, carbon, oxygen, hydrogen, sulfur, etc.

Some possibly unfamiliar elements are niobium, rhodium, thulium, californium, etc.

Periodic Table of the Elements

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## Chemical Symbols

Each element has its own unique **symbol**.

*One* or *two* letter symbols are used to represent elements.

First letter is always *capitalized* and the second letter is always a *lower case*.

Some symbols came from elements' modern names such as 'H' for hydrogen, 'O' for oxygen, 'N' for nitrogen, etc.

## Chemical Symbols

A few symbols for elements from their *Latin* names. Example: 'Na' for sodium from Latin *Natrium*.

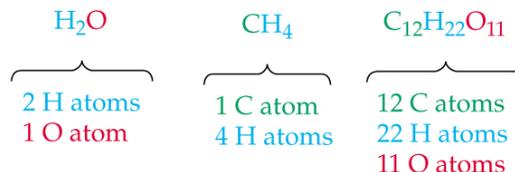
Naturally occurring elements are not equally abundant. Oxygen and silicon together: 75% of earth's crust.

**Chemical Formula:** A notation for a chemical compound using element symbols and subscripts to show how many atoms of each element are present.

The formula for water is  $H_2O$ .

$H_2O$  indicates that two hydrogens and one oxygen combined together to produce water.

Every formula described similarly



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## Elements and the Periodic Table

The periodic table is color-coded to show the distribution of elements. Metals are highlighted in yellow, metalloids in purple, and nonmetals in blue. The table includes element symbols, atomic numbers, and names.

Metals, nonmetals and metalloids appear in distinct places on the periodic table

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### Metals (left side)

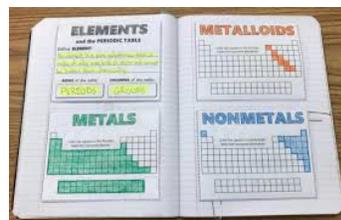
- Solids at room temperature (except Hg)
- Good conductor of heat & electricity
- Malleable, give up electrons

### Nonmetals (right side)

- Eleven gases, five solids, one liquid (Br)
- Like to absorb electrons generally

### Metalloids (between)

- Properties between metals and nonmetals
- Used in semi-conductors



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### Test yourself:

Metal, Metalloid or Nonmetal:

- Li
- Au
- Si
- Se
- Cl
- Ne

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## John Dalton's Atomic Theory

John Dalton



Chemistry founded on four fundamental assumptions about atoms and matter which make up the modern Atomic Theory:

1. All matter is composed of atoms.
2. The atoms of an element differ from the atoms of all other elements.
3. Chemical compounds consist of atoms combined in specific ratios.
4. Chemical reactions change only the way the atoms are combined in compounds; the atoms themselves are unchanged.

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## John Dalton's Atomic Theory

John Dalton



**Atoms** are the smallest pieces of **elements**.

You can divide an element down to the atom... but if you divide an atom, it will no longer be the same element.

**Molecules** are the smallest pieces of **compounds**.

You can divide compounds down to the molecule... but if you divide a molecule, it will break into individual atoms (or smaller molecules.)

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## Atomic Theory

Atoms are composed of tiny **subatomic particles** called **protons**, **neutrons**, and **electrons**.

Since the masses of atoms are **so small**, their masses are expressed on a **relative mass scale**. That is, one atom is assigned a mass, and all others are measured relative to it.

Relative atomic mass scale based on **carbon atoms** with 6 protons and 6 neutrons. This carbon atom is assigned a mass of **exactly 12 atomic mass units (amu)**. **1 amu =  $1.66 \times 10^{-24}$  g**

Mass of **proton** = 1.007 amu

Mass of **oxygen** = 16.00 amu

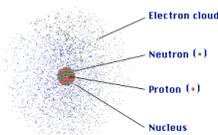
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## Atomic Theory

**Subatomic particles** not distributed randomly throughout atoms.

**Protons** and **neutrons** packed closely together in a dense core called the **nucleus**.

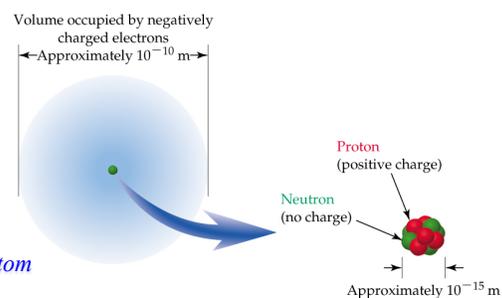
**Electrons** move about rapidly around core through a large, mostly empty volume of space in atom.



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Diameter of a **nucleus** is only about  $10^{-15}$  m.

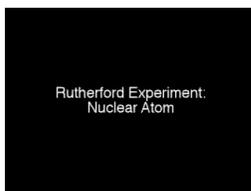
Diameter of an **atom** is only about  $10^{-10}$  m.



The Structure of an Atom

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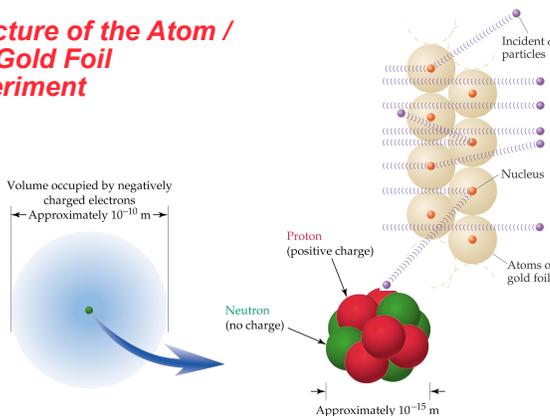
The modern view of the atom was developed by **Ernest Rutherford** in 1910.



Low density atom with a highly dense, positively charged nucleus

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## Structure of the Atom / The Gold Foil Experiment

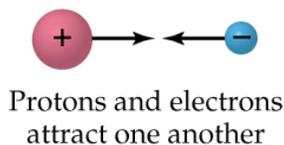


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### Attraction / Repulsion

**Structure** of atoms determined by an interplay of different **attractive** and **repulsive forces**.

**Unlike charges attract** - the *negatively charged electrons* held close to nucleus by attraction to *positively charged protons*

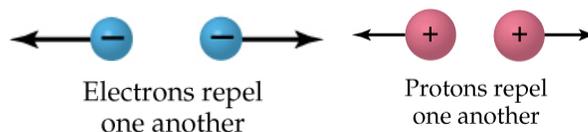


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### Attraction / Repulsion

**Like charges repel** each other - *negatively charged electrons* try to get as far apart as possible

*Positively charged protons* in nucleus also repel, but they are held together by a unique attraction called *nuclear strong force* (Chemistry 222)



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### Element and Atomic Number

**Atomic Number (Z):** Number of protons in an atom

Elements defined by number of protons in the nucleus.

Atoms are neutral overall with no net charge; hence, number of positive protons equals number of negative electrons in the atom.

**Mass Number (A):** The total number of protons and neutrons in an atom.

13	← atomic number
Al	← symbol
26.9815	← atomic weight

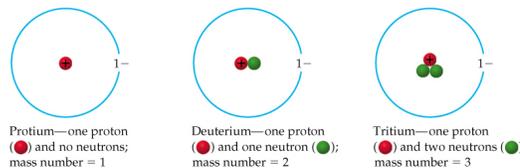
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### Isotopes and Atomic Weight

**Isotopes** are atoms with identical atomic numbers (Z) but different mass numbers (A)

Protium, deuterium, and tritium are isotopes of hydrogen.

- **Protium:** one proton (Z=1) and no neutrons (A=1)
- **Deuterium:** one proton (Z=1) and one neutron (A=2)
- **Tritium:** one proton (Z=1) and two neutrons (A=3)



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### Atomic and Mass Numbers

**Atomic Number, Z**

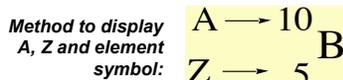
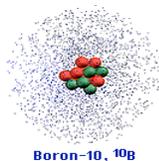
Z = # protons (defines element)

**Mass Number, A**

A = # protons + # neutrons

A boron atom can have

$$A = 5p + 5n = 10 \text{ amu}$$



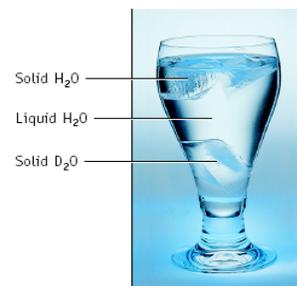
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### Hydrogen Isotopes

Hydrogen has *three* isotopes

- ${}^1_1\text{H}$  1 proton and 0 neutrons, **protium**
- ${}^2_1\text{H}$  1 proton and 1 neutron, **deuterium**
- ${}^3_1\text{H}$  1 proton and 2 neutrons, **tritium** radioactive

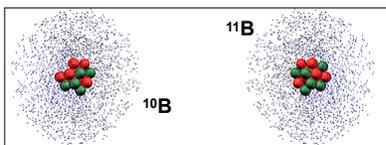


## Isotopes Overview

Atoms of the same element (same  $Z$ ) but different mass number ( $A$ ).

Boron-10 has 5 p and 5 n:  ${}_{5}^{10}\text{B}$

Boron-11 has 5 p and 6 n:  ${}_{5}^{11}\text{B}$



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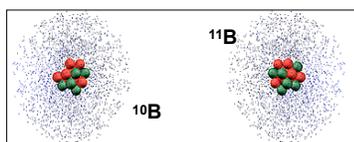
**Atomic Weight:** The weighted average mass of an element's atoms in a large sample that includes all naturally occurring isotopes of that atom.

Atomic number and atomic weight displayed in periodic table (but not mass number!)

13	← atomic number
Al	← symbol
26.9815	← atomic weight

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## Isotopes



Because of the existence of isotopes, the mass of a collection of atoms has an average value.

Average mass = **ATOMIC WEIGHT**

Boron is 20%  ${}^{10}\text{B}$  and 80%  ${}^{11}\text{B}$ . That is,  ${}^{11}\text{B}$  is 80 percent abundant on earth.

For boron atomic weight

$$= 0.20 (10 \text{ amu}) + 0.80 (11 \text{ amu}) = 10.8 \text{ amu}$$

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## Isotopes & Atomic Weight

Because of the existence of isotopes, the mass of a collection of atoms has an average value.

${}^6\text{Li}$  = 7.5% abundant and  ${}^7\text{Li}$  = 92.5%

Atomic weight of Li = \_\_\_\_\_

${}^{28}\text{Si}$  = 92.23%,  ${}^{29}\text{Si}$  = 4.67%,  ${}^{30}\text{Si}$  = 3.10%

Atomic weight of Si = \_\_\_\_\_



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## Isotopes

Example: Nitrogen has two main isotopes,  ${}^{14}\text{N}$  (14.0031 amu, 99.6299%) and  ${}^{15}\text{N}$  (15.0001 amu, 0.3701%). Calculate the average atomic mass.

*Solution*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Average atomic mass} &= \\ &= (0.996299 \times 14.0031) + (0.003701 \times 15.0001) \\ &= 13.9512745 + 0.05551537 \\ &= \mathbf{14.0068 \text{ amu}} \end{aligned}$$

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## Isotopes

Example: Gallium has two main isotopes,  ${}^{69}\text{Ga}$  (68.9257 amu) and  ${}^{71}\text{Ga}$  (70.9249 amu) with an average atomic mass of 69.723. Calculate the % abundance of each isotope.

*Solution*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Average atomic mass} &= \\ 69.723 &= x({}^{69}\text{Ga}) \cdot 68.9257 + y({}^{71}\text{Ga}) \cdot 70.9249 \\ &\text{but also} \\ 1 &= x({}^{69}\text{Ga}) + y({}^{71}\text{Ga}) \quad (2 \text{ percentages equal } 100\%) \\ \text{so } y({}^{71}\text{Ga}) &= 1 - x({}^{69}\text{Ga}) \end{aligned}$$

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# Isotopes



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**Solution**

$$69.723 = x(^{69}\text{Ga}) \cdot 68.9257 + y(^{71}\text{Ga}) \cdot 70.9249, \text{ or}$$

$$69.723 = x \cdot 68.9257 + (1 - x) \cdot 70.9249$$

$$69.723 = x \cdot 68.9257 + 70.9249 - 70.9249x$$

Solve for  $x$ , get:

$$x(^{69}\text{Ga}) = 0.6012 \text{ (60.12\%)}$$

$$y(^{71}\text{Ga}) = 1 - x = 0.3988 \text{ (39.88\%)}$$

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# Isotopes



Antimony has two main isotopes:

$^{121}\text{Sb}$  (120.9038 amu, 57.20%) and

$^{123}\text{Sb}$  (122.9042 amu, 42.80%)

Average atomic mass of Sb: **121.760**

Will you have one atom of antimony with 121.760 amu?

**No!**

One atom of antimony will have a mass of 120.9038 amu 57.20% of the time

One atom of antimony will have a mass of 122.9042 amu 42.80% of the time

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## The Periodic Table

Beginning in upper left corner, elements are arranged by increasing atomic number

Seven horizontal rows called **periods**

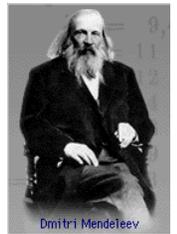
Eighteen vertical columns called **groups**.

Elements in a given group have **similar chemical properties** (i.e. lithium, sodium, potassium, etc. in group 1A have similar properties)



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## The Periodic Table



## Groups and Periods

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## Groups on the Periodic Table

Several groups of elements are known by common names.

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Shuttle main engines use H<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>2</sub>

### Hydrogen



The Hindenburg crash, May 1939.



### Group 1A: Alkali Metals



Sodium cut with a knife

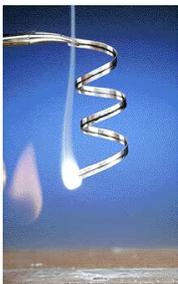


Extreme reactivity with water!

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Solids at room temperature, violently react with water



### Group 2A: Alkaline Earth Metals



Calcium



Ba gives green fireworks



Sr gives red fireworks

Alkaline Earth Metals occur naturally only in compounds (except Be)

### Group 3A: The Icosagens B, Al, Ga, In, Tl



Aluminum, the most abundant metal in the earth's crust



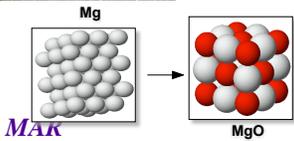
Boron halides, BF<sub>3</sub> & BI<sub>3</sub>



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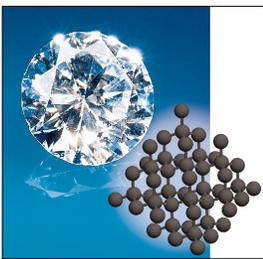
Liquid Gallium!

Twisted Metals!



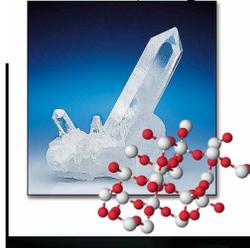
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### Group 4A: The Crystallogens: C, Si, Ge, Sn, Pb



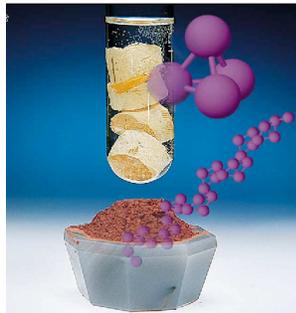
Diamond

Quartz, SiO<sub>2</sub>



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### Group 5A: The Pnictogens N, P, As, Sb, Bi



White and red phosphorus

Ammonia, NH<sub>3</sub>



Memorize: ammonia = NH<sub>3</sub>!

Bismuth



## Phosphorus



Red and white phosphorus ignite in air to make  $P_4O_{10}$

Phosphorus first isolated by Brandt from **urine** (!) in 1669

Most chemists' jobs are not so "demanding"!!!

## Group 6A: The Chalcogens O, S, Se, Te, Po

Sulfuric acid dripping from a cave in Mexico



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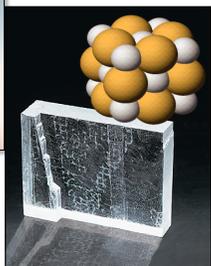


Sulfur from a volcano



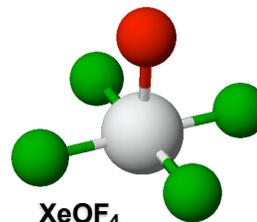
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## Group 7A: The Halogens F, Cl, Br, I, At

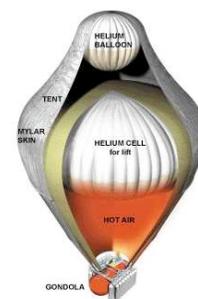


## Group 8A: Noble Gases He, Ne, Ar, Kr, Xe, Rn

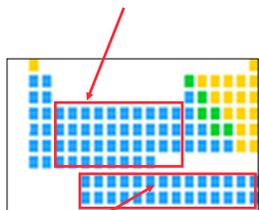
All gases at room temperature; considered unreactive until 1962



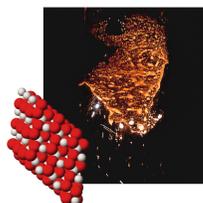
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## Transition Metals



Lanthanides and actinides



Iron in air gives iron(III) oxide

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## End of Chapter 2 (2.1-2.3)

