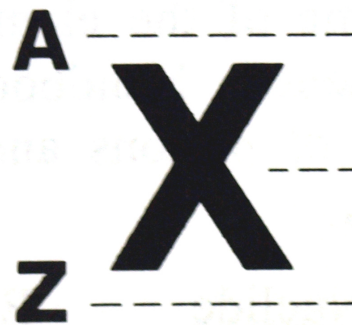


Figure 1 Bohr's Model of the Hydrogen Atom

## Properties of Subatomic Particles

Particle	Location	Charge	Mass
Neutron	Nucleus	none	1.008665 amu
Proton	Nucleus	+1	1.007277 amu
Electron	Shells around nucleus	-1	0.0005486 amu

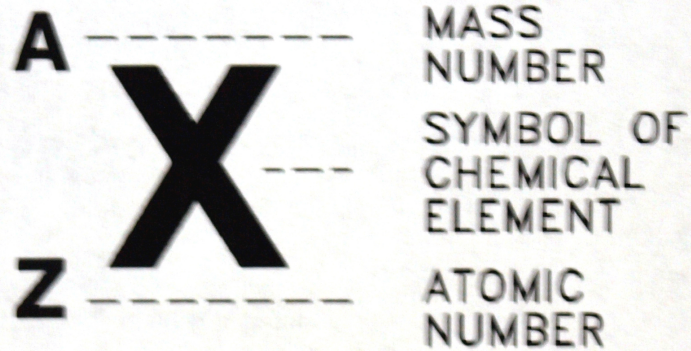


MASS  
NUMBER

SYMBOL OF  
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Nomenclature for  
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<u>Nuclide</u>	<u>Element</u>	<u>Protons</u>	<u>Electrons</u>	<u>Neutrons</u>
${}^1_1\text{H}$	hydrogen	1	1	0
${}^{10}_5\text{B}$	boron	5	5	5
${}^{14}_7\text{N}$	nitrogen	7	7	7
${}^{114}_{48}\text{Cd}$	cadmium	48	48	66
${}^{239}_{94}\text{Pu}$	plutonium	94	94	145

## Calculated Values for Nuclear Radii

Nuclide	Radius of Nucleus
${}^1_1\text{H}$	$1.25 \times 10^{-13} \text{ cm}$
${}^{10}_5\text{B}$	$2.69 \times 10^{-13} \text{ cm}$
${}^{56}_{26}\text{Fe}$	$4.78 \times 10^{-13} \text{ cm}$
${}^{178}_{72}\text{Hf}$	$7.01 \times 10^{-13} \text{ cm}$
${}^{238}_{92}\text{U}$	$7.74 \times 10^{-13} \text{ cm}$
${}^{252}_{98}\text{Cf}$	$7.89 \times 10^{-13} \text{ cm}$

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where:

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- $m_1$  = mass of first body (kilograms)
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- $G$  = gravitational constant ( $6.67 \times 10^{-11}$  N-m<sup>2</sup>/kg<sup>2</sup>)
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where:

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## Forces Acting in the Nucleus

Force	Interaction	Range
Gravitational	Very weak attractive force between all nucleons	Relatively long
Electrostatic	Strong repulsive force between like charged particles (protons)	Relatively long
Nuclear Force	Strong attractive force between all nucleons	Extremely short

## Atomic Nature of Matter Summary

- Atoms consist of three basic subatomic particles. These particles are the proton, the neutron, and the electron.
- Protons are particles that have a positive charge, have about the same mass as a hydrogen atom, and exist in the nucleus of an atom.
- Neutrons are particles that have no electrical charge, have about the same mass as a hydrogen atom, and exist in the nucleus of an atom.
- Electrons are particles that have a negative charge, have a mass about eighteen hundred times smaller than the mass of a hydrogen atom, and exist in orbital shells around the nucleus of an atom.

- The Bohr model of the atom consists of a dense nucleus of protons and neutrons (nucleons) surrounded by electrons traveling in discrete orbits at fixed distances from the nucleus.
- Nuclides are atoms that contain a particular number of protons and neutrons.
- Isotopes are nuclides that have the same atomic number and are therefore the same element, but differ in the number of neutrons.
- The atomic number of an atom is the number of protons in the nucleus.

- The mass number of an atom is the total number of nucleons (protons and neutrons) in the nucleus.
- The notation  ${}^A_ZX$  is used to identify a specific nuclide. "Z" represents the atomic number, which is equal to the number of protons. "A" represents the mass number, which is equal to the number of nucleons. "X" represents the chemical symbol of the element.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Number of protons} &= Z \\ \text{Number of electrons} &= Z \\ \text{Number of neutrons} &= A - Z\end{aligned}$$

**Pd108**

**26.46**

$\sigma_{\gamma}$  .19+8,  
5+24E1

107.903894

— SYMBOL, MASS NUMBER

— ATOM PERCENT ABUNDANCE

THERMAL NEUTRON ACTIVATION  
— CROSS-SECTION, RESONANCE INTEGRAL

— ISOTOPIC MASS

— FISSION PRODUCT

Stable Nuclides



**S38**

**2.84h**

$\beta^-$  .99

E 2.94

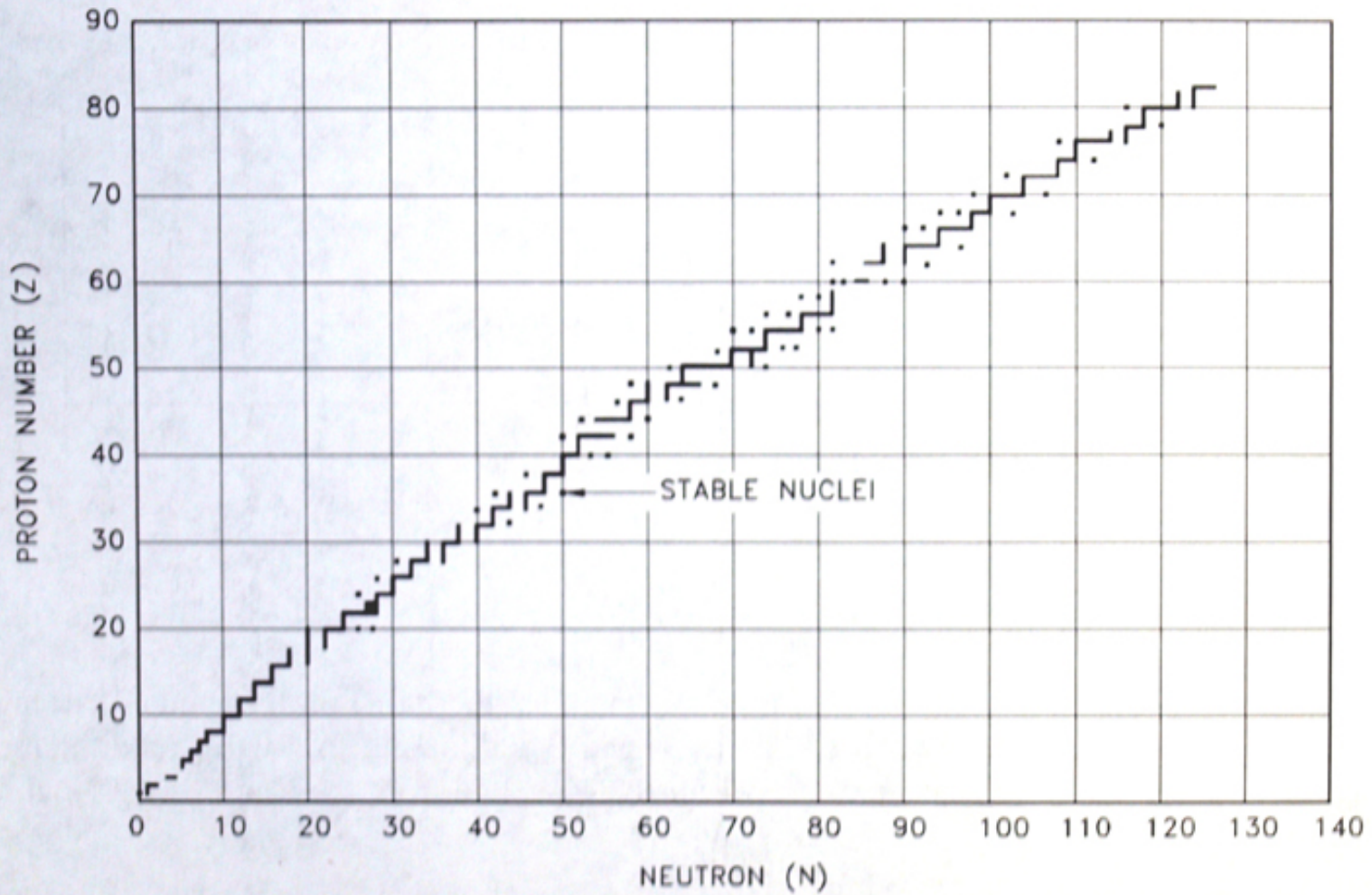
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— HALF-LIFE

— MODES OF DECAY,  
ENERGY OF RADIATION

— BETA DISINTEGRATION ENERGY IN MeV

Unstable Nuclides



**Chemical Element**

<b>H</b>	Symbol
1.00794	Atomic Mass (Carbon-12 Scale)
<b>Hydrogen</b>	Element Name
$\sigma_a$ .332, .149	Thermal Neutron Absorption Cross Section in Barns Followed by Resonance Integral, in Barns

**Stable**

<b>Pd108</b>	Even Z, Even N Nuclides have Spin and Parity $0^+$	Symbol, Mass Number
26.46	Atom Percent Abundance	
$\sigma_y$ (.19+8), (2+24E1)	Thermal Neutron Capture Cross Sections in Barns Leading to (Isomeric + Ground State), Followed by Resonance Integrals Leading to (Isomeric + Ground State)	
107.903894	Isotopic Mass (Carbon-12 Scale)	Fission Product, Slow Neutron Fission of U235, U233 or Pu239

**Artificially Radioactive**

<b>S38</b>	Symbol, Mass Number
2.84 h	Half-Life
$\beta^-$ .99, ... $\gamma$ 1941.9, ...	Modes of Decay with Energy of Radiation in MeV for Alpha and Beta; keV for Gammas
E 2.94	Beta Disintegration Energy in MeV

**Naturally Occurring or Otherwise Available but Radioactive**

The atomic weight for an element is defined as the average atomic weight of the isotopes of the element. The atomic weight for an element can be calculated by summing the products of the isotopic abundance of the isotope with the atomic mass of the isotope.

Example:

Calculate the atomic weight for the element lithium. Lithium-6 has an atom percent abundance of 7.5% and an atomic mass of 6.015122 amu. Lithium-7 has an atomic abundance of 92.5% and an atomic mass of 7.016003 amu.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Atomic Mass Lithium} &= (0.075) (6.015122 \text{ amu}) + (0.925) (7.016003 \text{ amu}) \\ &= 6.9409 \text{ amu}\end{aligned}$$

## Summary

The important information in this chapter is summarized below.

### **Chart of the Nuclides Summary**

- Enriched uranium is uranium in which the isotope uranium-235 has a concentration greater than its natural value of 0.7%.
- Depleted uranium is uranium in which the isotope uranium-235 has a concentration less than its natural value of 0.7%.