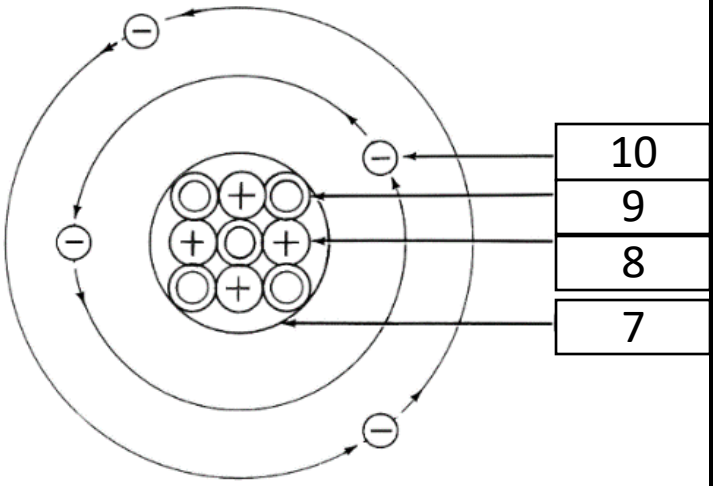
Chemistry topic C1: Atomic structure

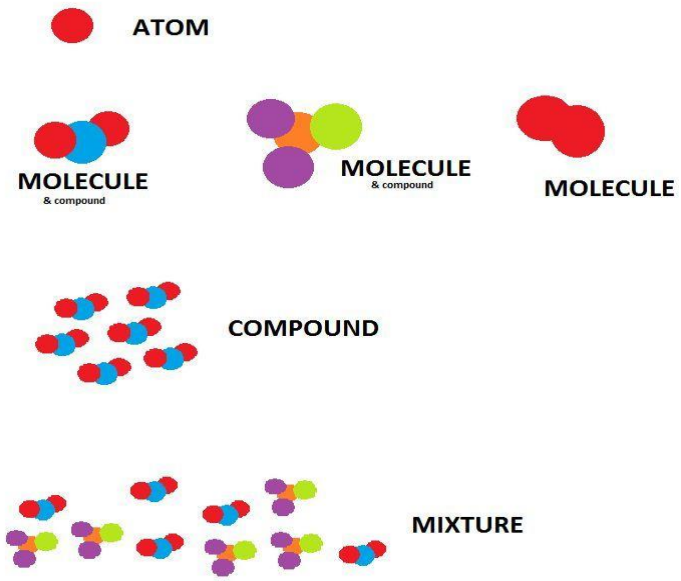
1. Keywords

1. Atom	The smallest possible piece of an element. Has a radius of 0.1nm (or $1x10^{-10}m$)
2. Element	A substance in which all the atoms have the same atomic number
3. Isotope	Atoms with the same number of protons but different numbers of neutrons
4. Molecule	Two or more atoms bonded together
5. Compound	Two or more <u>different</u> atoms bonded together
6. Mixture	At least two different elements or compounds together. Can be separated easily
7. Nucleus	The centre of an atom. Contains protons and neutrons
8. Proton	A positively charged particle found in the nucleus
9. Neutron	A neutral particle found in the nucleus. Has no charge
10. Electron	A negatively charged particle found in energy levels (shells) around the nucleus

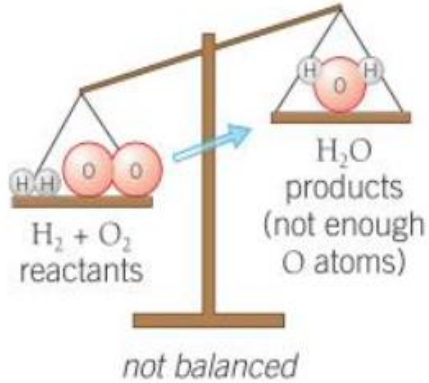
2. The structure of the atom

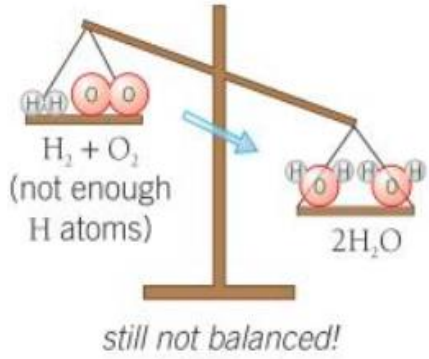


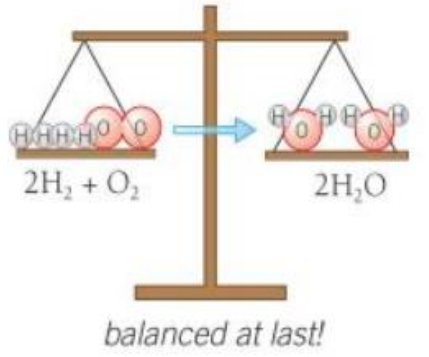
3. Atoms, compounds and molecules



4. Balancing equations

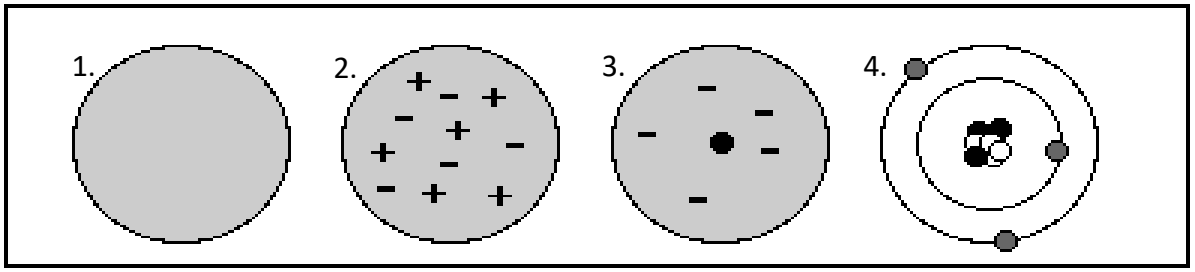






5. History of the atom

Discovery	By	Model	Diagram
Solid particle called atom	John Dalton	Particle: solid spheres	1
The electron	JJ Thompson	Plum pudding: positive 'cake' with negative 'plums'	2
Nucleus	Rutherford	Nuclear: Positive nucleus surrounded by electrons	3
Neutron	James Chadwick	Nuclear: Now with protons and neutrons in nucleus	3
Energy levels (shells)	Niels Bohr	Planetary: Electrons now 'orbit' in different shells	4



6. Properties of sub-atomic particles

Particle	Relative mass	Relative charge	Location
Proton	1	+1	Nucleus
Neutron	1	0	Nucleus
Electron	0	-1	Shells

Key

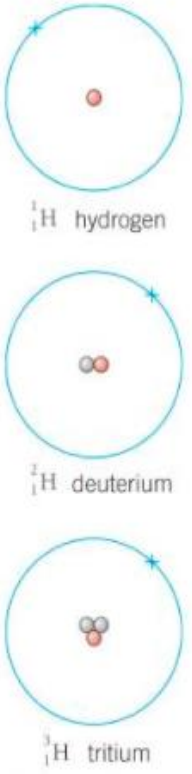
relative atomic mass
atomic symbol
name
atomic (proton) number

1
H
hydrogen
1

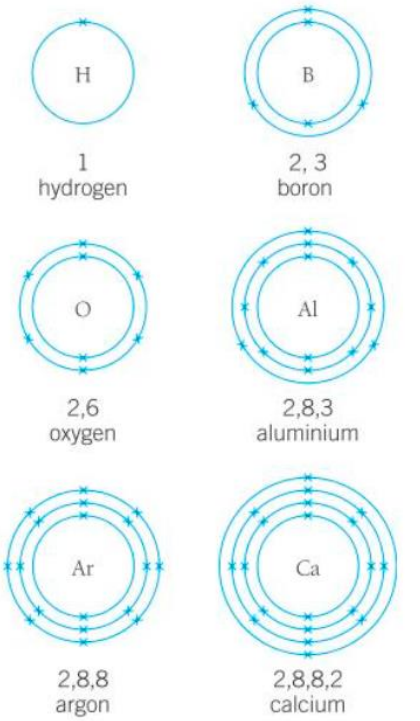
7. Using the periodic table

Number of..	Is the…	Found by..
Protons	Atomic (proton) number	Smaller number on periodic table
Electrons	Atomic (proton) number	Smaller number on periodic table
Neutrons	Difference between the atomic mass and atomic number	Big number – small number

8. Isotopes have the same numbers of protons and electrons but different numbers of neutrons.



9. Writing and drawing the electronic structure.



10. Electron arrangement rules

1.	Always fill from the inside to the outside
2.	The first shell can only hold 2 electrons
3.	The second and third can hold 8