

Atomic Structure Problems

Clearly and as completely as possible describe the structure of the following atoms and ions.

1. ^{13}C

$\text{C} \equiv$ Carbon

$\text{AN} = 6$ (from the Periodic Table)

$\text{MN} = 13$ (from the superscript)

$\text{p}^+ = \text{AN} = \underline{6}$ (i.e., \therefore 6 protons in the nucleus)

$\text{n} = \text{MN} - \text{AN} = 13 - 6 = \underline{7}$ (i.e., \therefore 7 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is a Neutral Atom $\therefore \text{e}^- = \text{AN} = \underline{6}$ (i.e., \therefore 6 electrons around the nucleus)

2. ^{12}C

$\text{C} \equiv$ Carbon

$\text{AN} = 6$ (from the Periodic Table)

$\text{MN} = 12$ (from the superscript)

$\text{p}^+ = \text{AN} = \underline{6}$ (i.e., \therefore 6 protons in the nucleus)

$\text{n} = \text{MN} - \text{AN} = 12 - 6 = \underline{6}$ (i.e., \therefore 6 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is a Neutral Atom $\therefore \text{e}^- = \text{AN} = \underline{6}$ (i.e., \therefore 6 electrons around the nucleus)

3. ^{14}C

$\text{C} \equiv$ Carbon

$\text{AN} = 6$ (from the Periodic Table)

$\text{MN} = 14$ (from the superscript)

$\text{p}^+ = \text{AN} = \underline{6}$ (i.e., \therefore 6 protons in the nucleus)

$\text{n} = \text{MN} - \text{AN} = 14 - 6 = \underline{8}$ (i.e., \therefore 8 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is a Neutral Atom $\therefore \text{e}^- = \text{AN} = \underline{6}$ (i.e., \therefore 6 electrons around the nucleus)

4. ^1H

$\text{H} \equiv$ Hydrogen

$\text{AN} = 1$ (from the Periodic Table)

$\text{MN} = 1$ (this is indicated when the superscript is not shown)

$\text{p}^+ = \text{AN} = \underline{1}$ (i.e., \therefore 1 proton in the nucleus)

$\text{n} = \text{MN} - \text{AN} = 1 - 1 = \underline{0}$ (i.e., \therefore 0 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is a Neutral Atom $\therefore \text{e}^- = \text{AN} = \underline{1}$ (i.e., \therefore 1 electron around the nucleus)

5. ^2H

$\text{H} \equiv$ Hydrogen

$\text{AN} = 1$ (from the Periodic Table)

$\text{MN} = 2$ (this is indicated when the superscript is not shown)

$\text{p}^+ = \text{AN} = \underline{1}$ (i.e., \therefore 1 proton in the nucleus)

$\text{n} = \text{MN} - \text{AN} = 2 - 1 = \underline{1}$ (i.e., \therefore 1 neutron in the nucleus)

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This is a Neutral Atom $\therefore e^- = AN = \underline{1}$ (i.e., \therefore 1 electron around the nucleus)

6. ${}^3\text{T}$

T \equiv Tritium is an Isotope of Hydrogen

AN = 1 (from the Periodic Table)

MN = 3 (this is indicated when the superscript is not shown)

p⁺ = **AN** = 1 (i.e., \therefore 1 proton in the nucleus)

n = **MN** - **AN** = 3 - 1 = 2 (i.e., \therefore 2 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is a Neutral Atom $\therefore e^- = AN = \underline{1}$ (i.e., \therefore 1 electron around the nucleus)

7. ${}^{11}\text{B}$

B \equiv Boron

AN = 5 (from the Periodic Table)

MN = 11 (from the superscript)

p⁺ = **AN** = 5 (i.e., \therefore 5 protons in the nucleus)

n = **MN** - **AN** = 11 - 5 = 6 (i.e., \therefore 6 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is a Neutral Atom $\therefore e^- = AN = \underline{5}$ (i.e., \therefore 5 electrons around the nucleus)

8. ${}^{10}\text{B}$

B \equiv Boron

AN = 5 (from the Periodic Table)

MN = 10 (from the superscript)

p⁺ = **AN** = 5 (i.e., \therefore 5 proton in the nucleus)

n = **MN** - **AN** = 10 - 5 = 5 (i.e., \therefore 5 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is a Neutral Atom $\therefore e^- = AN = \underline{5}$ (i.e., \therefore 5 electrons around the nucleus)

9. ${}^{56}\text{Fe}$

Fe \equiv Iron

AN = 26 (from the Periodic Table)

MN = 56 (from the superscript)

p⁺ = **AN** = 26 (i.e., \therefore 26 protons in the nucleus)

n = **MN** - **AN** = 56 - 26 = 30 (i.e., \therefore 30 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is a Neutral Atom $\therefore e^- = AN = \underline{26}$ (i.e., \therefore 26 electrons around the nucleus)

10. ${}^{57}\text{Fe}$

Fe \equiv Iron

AN = 26 (from the Periodic Table)

MN = 57 (from the superscript)

p⁺ = **AN** = 26 (i.e., \therefore 26 protons in the nucleus)

n = **MN** - **AN** = 57 - 26 = 31 (i.e., \therefore 31 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is a Neutral Atom $\therefore e^- = AN = \underline{26}$ (i.e., \therefore 26 electrons around the nucleus)

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11. ^{184}W

$\text{W} \equiv$ Tungsten

$\text{AN} = 74$ (from the Periodic Table)

$\text{MN} = 184$ (from the superscript)

$p^+ = \text{AN} = \underline{74}$ (i.e., \therefore 74 protons in the nucleus)

$n = \text{MN} - \text{AN} = 184 - 74 = \underline{110}$ (i.e., \therefore 110 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is a Neutral Atom $\therefore e^- = \text{AN} = \underline{74}$ (i.e., \therefore 74 electrons around the nucleus)

12. ^{183}W

$\text{W} \equiv$ Tungsten

$\text{AN} = 74$ (from the Periodic Table)

$\text{MN} = 183$ (from the superscript)

$p^+ = \text{AN} = \underline{74}$ (i.e., \therefore 74 protons in the nucleus)

$n = \text{MN} - \text{AN} = 183 - 74 = \underline{109}$ (i.e., \therefore 109 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is a Neutral Atom $\therefore e^- = \text{AN} = \underline{74}$ (i.e., \therefore 74 electrons around the nucleus)

13. ^{235}U

$\text{U} \equiv$ Uranium

$\text{AN} = 92$ (from the Periodic Table)

$\text{MN} = 235$ (from the superscript)

$p^+ = \text{AN} = \underline{92}$ (i.e., \therefore 92 protons in the nucleus)

$n = \text{MN} - \text{AN} = 235 - 92 = \underline{143}$ (i.e., \therefore 143 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is a Neutral Atom $\therefore e^- = \text{AN} = \underline{92}$ (i.e., \therefore 92 electrons around the nucleus)

14. ^{238}U

$\text{U} \equiv$ Uranium

$\text{AN} = 92$ (from the Periodic Table)

$\text{MN} = 238$ (from the superscript)

$p^+ = \text{AN} = \underline{92}$ (i.e., \therefore 92 protons in the nucleus)

$n = \text{MN} - \text{AN} = 238 - 92 = \underline{146}$ (i.e., \therefore 146 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is a Neutral Atom $\therefore e^- = \text{AN} = \underline{92}$ (i.e., \therefore 92 electrons around the nucleus)

15. ^{19}F

$\text{F} \equiv$ Fluorine

$\text{AN} = 9$ (from the Periodic Table)

$\text{MN} = 19$ (from the superscript)

$p^+ = \text{AN} = \underline{9}$ (i.e., \therefore 9 protons in the nucleus)

$n = \text{MN} - \text{AN} = 19 - 9 = \underline{10}$ (i.e., \therefore 10 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is a Neutral Atom $\therefore e^- = \text{AN} = \underline{9}$ (i.e., \therefore 9 electrons around the nucleus)

16. ^{20}F

$\text{F} \equiv$ Fluorine

$\text{AN} = 9$ (from the Periodic Table)

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$MN = 20$ (from the superscript)

$p^+ = AN = \underline{9}$ (i.e., \therefore 9 protons in the nucleus)

$n = MN - AN = 20 - 9 = \underline{11}$ (i.e., \therefore 11 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is a Neutral Atom $\therefore e^- = AN = \underline{9}$ (i.e., \therefore 9 electrons around the nucleus)

17. ^{35}Cl

$\text{Cl} \equiv$ Chlorine

$AN = 17$ (from the Periodic Table)

$MN = 35$ (from the superscript)

$p^+ = AN = \underline{17}$ (i.e., \therefore 17 protons in the nucleus)

$n = MN - AN = 35 - 17 = \underline{18}$ (i.e., \therefore 18 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is Neutral Atom $\therefore e^- = AN = \underline{17}$ (i.e., \therefore 17 electrons around the nucleus)

18. $^{35}\text{Cl}^{-1}$

$\text{Cl} \equiv$ Chlorine

Cl^{-1} is an Anion with $\# = 1$

$AN = 17$ (from the Periodic Table)

$MN = 35$ (from the superscript)

$p^+ = AN = \underline{17}$ (i.e., \therefore 17 protons in the nucleus)

$n = MN - AN = 35 - 17 = \underline{18}$ (i.e., \therefore 18 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is an Anion $\therefore e^- = AN + \# = 17 + 1 = \underline{18}$ (i.e., \therefore 18 electrons around the nucleus)

19. $^{37}\text{Cl}^{+2}$

$\text{Cl} \equiv$ Chlorine

Cl^{+2} is an Cation with $\# = 2$

$AN = 17$ (from the Periodic Table)

$MN = 35$ (from the superscript)

$p^+ = AN = \underline{17}$ (i.e., \therefore 17 protons in the nucleus)

$n = MN - AN = 35 - 17 = \underline{18}$ (i.e., \therefore 18 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is an Cation $\therefore e^- = AN - \# = 17 - 2 = \underline{15}$ (i.e., \therefore 15 electrons around the nucleus)

20. $^{13}\text{C}^{-4}$

$\text{C} \equiv$ Carbon

C^{-4} is an Anion with $\# = 4$

$AN = 6$ (from the Periodic Table)

$MN = 13$ (from the superscript)

$p^+ = AN = \underline{6}$ (i.e., \therefore 6 protons in the nucleus)

$n = MN - AN = 13 - 6 = \underline{7}$ (i.e., \therefore 7 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is an Anion $\therefore e^- = AN + \# = 6 + 4 = \underline{10}$ (i.e., \therefore 10 electrons around the nucleus)

21. $^{12}\text{C}^{+4}$

$\text{C} \equiv$ Carbon

C^{+4} is an Cation with $\# = 4$

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$\text{AN} = 6$ (from the Periodic Table)

$\text{MN} = 12$ (from the superscript)

$\text{p}^+ = \text{AN} = \underline{6}$ (i.e., \therefore 6 protons in the nucleus)

$\text{n} = \text{MN} - \text{AN} = 12 - 6 = \underline{6}$ (i.e., \therefore 6 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is an Cation $\therefore \text{e}^- = \text{AN} - \# = 6 - 4 = \underline{2}$ (i.e., \therefore 2 electrons around the nucleus)

22. $^{14}\text{C}^{+2}$

$\text{C} \equiv$ Carbon

C^{+2} is an Cation with $\# = 2$

$\text{AN} = 6$ (from the Periodic Table)

$\text{MN} = 14$ (from the superscript)

$\text{p}^+ = \text{AN} = \underline{6}$ (i.e., \therefore 6 protons in the nucleus)

$\text{n} = \text{MN} - \text{AN} = 14 - 6 = \underline{8}$ (i.e., \therefore 8 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is an Cation $\therefore \text{e}^- = \text{AN} - \# = 6 - 2 = \underline{4}$ (i.e., \therefore 4 electrons around the nucleus)

23. $^1\text{H}^{+1}$

$\text{H} \equiv$ Hydrogen

H^{+1} is an Cation with $\# = 1$

$\text{AN} = 1$ (from the Periodic Table)

$\text{MN} = 1$ (from the superscript)

$\text{p}^+ = \text{AN} = \underline{1}$ (i.e., \therefore 1 proton in the nucleus)

$\text{n} = \text{MN} - \text{AN} = 1 - 1 = \underline{0}$ (i.e., \therefore 0 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is an Cation $\therefore \text{e}^- = \text{AN} - \# = 1 - 1 = \underline{0}$ (i.e., \therefore 0 electrons around the nucleus)

24. $^2\text{D}^+$

$\text{D} \equiv$ Deuterium is an Isotope of Hydrogen

$^2\text{D}^+$ is an Cation with $\# = 1$

$\text{AN} = 1$ (from the Periodic Table)

$\text{MN} = 2$ (from the superscript)

$\text{p}^+ = \text{AN} = \underline{1}$ (i.e., \therefore 1 proton in the nucleus)

$\text{n} = \text{MN} - \text{AN} = 2 - 1 = \underline{1}$ (i.e., \therefore 1 neutron in the nucleus)

This is an Cation $\therefore \text{e}^- = \text{AN} - \# = 1 - 1 = \underline{0}$ (i.e., \therefore 0 electrons around the nucleus)

25. $^3\text{H}^-$

$\text{T} \equiv$ Tritium is an Isotope of Hydrogen

$^3\text{T}^-$ is an Anion with $\# = 1$

$\text{AN} = 1$ (from the Periodic Table)

$\text{MN} = 3$ (from the superscript)

$\text{p}^+ = \text{AN} = \underline{1}$ (i.e., \therefore 1 proton in the nucleus)

$\text{n} = \text{MN} - \text{AN} = 3 - 1 = \underline{2}$ (i.e., \therefore 2 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is an Anion $\therefore \text{e}^- = \text{AN} + \# = 1 + 1 = \underline{2}$ (i.e., \therefore 2 electrons around the nucleus)

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26. $^{11}\text{B}^{+3}$

B \equiv Boron

$^{11}\text{B}^{+3}$ is an Cation with $\# = 3$

AN = 5 (from the Periodic Table)

MN = 11 (from the superscript)

p⁺ = **AN** = 5 (i.e., \therefore 5 protons in the nucleus)

n = **MN** - **AN** = 11 - 5 = 6 (i.e., \therefore 6 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is an Cation \therefore **e**⁻ = **AN** - $\#$ = 5 - 3 = 2 (i.e., \therefore 2 electrons around the nucleus)

27. $^{10}\text{B}^{-5}$

B \equiv Boron

$^{10}\text{B}^{-5}$ is an Anion with $\# = 5$

AN = 5 (from the Periodic Table)

MN = 10 (from the superscript)

p⁺ = **AN** = 5 (i.e., \therefore 5 protons in the nucleus)

n = **MN** - **AN** = 10 - 5 = 5 (i.e., \therefore 5 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is an Anion \therefore **e**⁻ = **AN** + $\#$ = 5 + 5 = 10 (i.e., \therefore 10 electrons around the nucleus)

28. $^{56}\text{Fe}^{+2}$

Fe \equiv Iron

$^{56}\text{Fe}^{+2}$ is an Cation with $\# = 2$

AN = 26 (from the Periodic Table)

MN = 56 (from the superscript)

p⁺ = **AN** = 26 (i.e., \therefore 26 protons in the nucleus)

n = **MN** - **AN** = 56 - 26 = 30 (i.e., \therefore 30 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is an Cation \therefore **e**⁻ = **AN** - $\#$ = 26 - 2 = 24 (i.e., \therefore 24 electrons around the nucleus)

29. $^{57}\text{Fe}^{+3}$

Fe \equiv Iron

$^{57}\text{Fe}^{+3}$ is an Cation with $\# = 3$

AN = 26 (from the Periodic Table)

MN = 57 (from the superscript)

p⁺ = **AN** = 26 (i.e., \therefore 26 protons in the nucleus)

n = **MN** - **AN** = 57 - 26 = 31 (i.e., \therefore 31 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is an Cation \therefore **e**⁻ = **AN** - $\#$ = 26 - 3 = 23 (i.e., \therefore 23 electrons around the nucleus)

30. $^{184}\text{W}^{+2}$

W \equiv Tungsten

$^{184}\text{W}^{+2}$ is an Cation with $\# = 2$

AN = 74 (from the Periodic Table)

MN = 184 (from the superscript)

p⁺ = **AN** = 74 (i.e., \therefore 74 protons in the nucleus)

n = **MN** - **AN** = 184 - 74 = 110 (i.e., \therefore 110 neutrons in the nucleus)

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This is an Cation $\therefore e^- = \text{AN} - \# = 74 - 2 = \underline{72}$ (i.e., \therefore 72 electrons around the nucleus)

31. $^{184}\text{W}^0$

W \equiv Tungsten

$^{184}\text{W}^0$ is a Neutral Atom

AN = 74 (from the Periodic Table)

MN = 184 (from the superscript)

$p^+ = \text{AN} = \underline{74}$ (i.e., \therefore 74 protons in the nucleus)

$n = \text{MN} - \text{AN} = 184 - 74 = \underline{110}$ (i.e., \therefore 110 neutrons in the nucleus)

$e^- = \text{AN} = \underline{74}$ (i.e., \therefore 74 electrons around the nucleus)

32. $^{184}\text{W}^{+6}$

W \equiv Tungsten

$^{184}\text{W}^{+6}$ is an Cation with $\# = 6$

AN = 74 (from the Periodic Table)

MN = 184 (from the superscript)

$p^+ = \text{AN} = \underline{74}$ (i.e., \therefore 74 protons in the nucleus)

$n = \text{MN} - \text{AN} = 184 - 74 = \underline{110}$ (i.e., \therefore 110 neutrons in the nucleus)

This is an Cation $\therefore e^- = \text{AN} - \# = 74 - 6 = \underline{68}$ (i.e., \therefore 68 electrons around the nucleus)