

Parts of an Atom

Atom - is electrically neutral.

- is composed of a nucleus containing protons and neutrons, and electrons that surround the nucleus.

<u>Atomic Number</u> - is the number of protons found in the nucleus of an atom.

<u>Protons</u> - are subatomic particles possessing a positive charge.

Neutrons - are subatomic particles possessing a neutral charge.

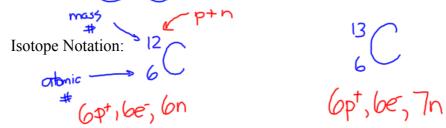
<u>Electrons</u> - are subatomic particles possessing a negative charge. For an atom, the electrons are equal to the atomic number.

<u>Isotope</u> - is a form of an element in which the atoms have the same number of protons as all other forms of that element, but it has a **different number of neutrons and therefore a different atomic mass**.

Mass Number - is the sum of the number of protons and neutrons.

Carbon - 6 protons and 6 neutrons has a mass number of 12.

Another isotope of ¹²C is ¹³C which has 6 protons and 7 neutrons.

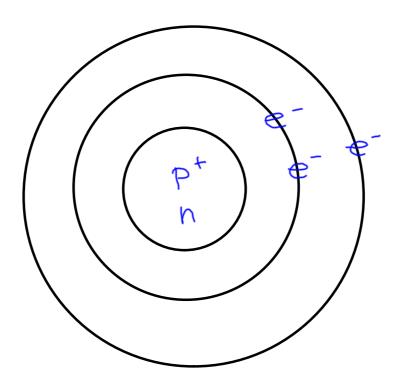


MAIN SUBATOMIC PARTICLES

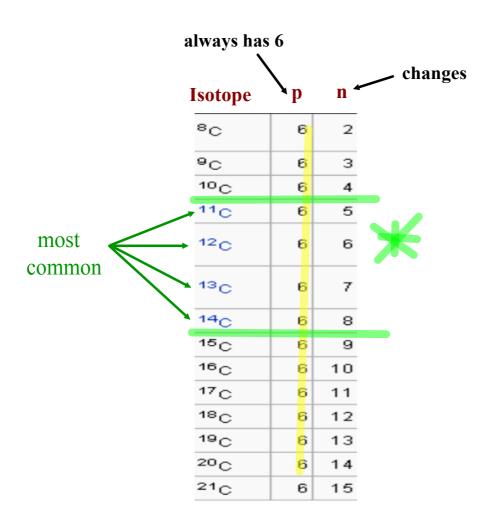
Particle	Location	Relative Mass	Charge
proton	nucleus	1 a.m.u.	+
neutron	nucleus	1 a.m.u.	none
electron	outside nucleus	small	

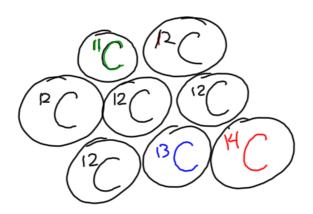
Subatomic Particle	Electric Charge	Location	Relative Size
Protons	+	Nucleus	"BIG"
			a.m.u.
Nautrons	neutra l	nucleus	"BIG"
			lamu
Electrons		outside nucleus	"massless"
			Oamu.

protons = # electrons



Isotopes of Carbon





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