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## Introduction to Atomic Theory

Recall: draw a diagram of an atom with as much detail as possible



3 electrons (negatives) on outer shells; 4 neutrons (neutral) and 3 protons (positives) inside the nucleus (center of the atom)

**atom**: <u>smallest</u> particle of an element that retains the <u>chemical</u> identity of the element Three laws giving elements of atoms:

- 1. Law of conservation of matter: matter cannot be created or destroyed
- 2. Law of constant composition: the ratio must always be preserved (ex.  $H_2O \rightarrow 2$  H's & 1 O)
- 3. Law of multiple proportions: when different masses of one <u>element</u> combine with a specific <u>mass</u> of another <u>element</u>, the mass <u>ratios</u> of the first element are small, whole number ratios.

## Early Models of the Atom

Describe the work of the following scientists. Use the following questions as a guide. You may use your textbook or your phone/device to help you do your research.

- 1. What are their main contributions to modern atomic theory?
- 2. What was their idea of the model of the atom? *Include diagrams as necessary*.
- 3. Did they have any particular discoveries? What were they?
- 4. What experiments did they perform that led to discoveries?

Scientist	Contribution to the modern atomic theory
John Dalton	<ul> <li>Introduced the first atomic theory</li> <li>All atoms of a given element are identical</li> <li>Elements are made up of tiny particles called atoms</li> <li>No 2 elements have the same atoms</li> <li>Billiard ball model (thought it was just a sphere)</li> <li>Small dense solid atom</li> </ul>

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William Crookes	<ul> <li>CRT – glass tube in vacuum, current produces beam (goes from negative to positive) cathode to anode, fluorescent glows</li> <li>Crookes tube – two electric terminals connected to low and high voltages, fluorescence made from beam of particles, cathode rays defect away from negative and towards positive – these are electrons</li> </ul>
J.J. Thomson	<ul> <li>Identified the cathode rays in CRT as electrons since they were negatively charged</li> <li>"Raison bun model" (plum pudding model) of the atom – positive charges all around (the bun) and negative pieces inside (the raisons) – everything was floating around in one big ball</li> </ul>
Marie and Pierre Curie	<ul> <li>Analyzed uranium to see Becquerel rays</li> <li>Uranium was the source of the emission – later Marie gave these emissions the name radioactivity and defined it as the spontaneous emission of radiation of the nucleus of an atom</li> <li>Discovered polonium and radium, amount of energy based on amount of starting material; Marie won two Nobel prizes</li> <li>Marie died from radiation; curie = unit of radiation</li> </ul>
James Chadwick	<ul> <li>proved the existence of neutrons – atomic nuclei had neutral particles as well</li> <li>no electric charge and similar in size to proton</li> <li>hard to detect because it has no charge – stable in the nucleus, unstable outside of the nucleus</li> </ul>
Ernest Rutherford	<ul> <li>father of nuclear physics; founder of alpha, beta, and gamma</li> <li>Direct positive beam of particles at a piece of gold foil, found that most particles went through the foil, some were deflected at an angle and some bounced straight back</li> <li>Concluded that atom is mostly empty space and has a positive core – discovered the nucleus – came up with the planetary model of the atom – electrons were orbiting, nucleus full of mass (protons)</li> <li>Named the positive particle the proton (equal and opposite to the electron but 1800 times heavier</li> </ul>
Niels Bohr	<ul> <li>Organized the atom like a solar system</li> <li>First one to make orbits and organized the orbits according to their energy levels</li> <li>Won nobel prize</li> <li>Made the Bohr model – neutrons and protons are in the center, different valence shells of electrons are orbiting around the nucleus</li> </ul>