

Chemistry of Elements

CHEM-E4130 (5 cr)

Lectures (13 x):	Monday	10.15 – 12.00
	Wednesday	10.15 – 12.00
	Friday	12.15 – 14.00

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- Lectures: **13** x ca. 2 h
- Home problem solving 40 h
- Independent homework 60 h
- Exam 3 h

MARKING

- Exam: 50 points
- Lecture exercises: 25 points
(**13** x 2 p → 26)
- Seminar: 25 points

The course covers the basics of the chemistry of elements.

Emphasis on the d-block transition metals, lanthanoids and actinoids

After the course the student will be able to:

1. Explain the basic features of the transition metal chemistry
2. Derive the basic chemical and physical properties of d-block and f-block transition metals from their electron structures
3. Name the coordination compounds and describe their structures
4. Describe the most important compounds of transition elements and name their applications
5. Find and read basic scientific literature on a given topic related to the chemistry of elements

REFERENCE BOOKS

- Descriptive Inorganic Chemistry, G. Rayner-Canham & T. Overton, W.H. Freeman and Company.
- Chemistry of the Elements, N.N. Greenwood & A. Earnshaw, Pergamon Press.
- Inorganic Chemistry, C.E. Housecroft & A.G. Sharpe, Pearson.

LECTURE SCHEDULE

	Date	Topic
1.	Wed 28.10.	Course Introduction & Short Review of the Elements
2.	Fri 30.10.	Periodic Properties & Periodic Table & Main Group Elements (starts)
3.	Fri 06.11.	Short Survey of the Chemistry of Main Group Elements (continues)
4.	Wed 11.11.	Ag, Au, Pt, Pd & Catalysis (Antti Karttunen)
5.	Fri 13.11.	Redox Chemistry
6.	Mon 16.11.	Transition Metals: General Aspects & Crystal Field Theory
7.	Wed 18.11.	Zn + Ti, Zr, Hf & Atomic Layer Deposition (ALD)
8.	Fri 20.11.	V, Nb, Ta & Metal Complexes and MOFs
9.	Mon 23.11.	Cr, Mo, W & 2D materials
10	Wed 25.11.	Mn, Fe, Co, Ni, Cu & Magnetism and Superconductivity
11.	Fri 27.11.	Resources of Elements & Rare/Critical Elements & Element Substitutions
12.	Mon 30.11.	Lanthanoids + Actinoids & Pigments & Luminescence & Upconversion
13.	Wed 02.12.	Inorganic Materials Chemistry Research

EXAM: Thu Dec 12, 9:00-12:00 Ke1

QUESTIONS: Lecture 1

Name your file Exe-1-Familyname; Return by 4 pm into MyCourses drop-box

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- As a result of huge interest in burning reactions in 1700s
- Based on accurate measurements of air in 1890s
- Thanks to the progress in electrochemical techniques in 1800-1810
- Thanks to the progress in spectroscopy techniques in 1860s
- For the first time from outside of the Earth (1868)
- Much earlier in South America by native Indians than in Europe (in 1750~1850)
- Based on quantum chemical considerations
- By a Finnish professor
- The discovery was rewarded by a Nobel prize in 1906

INSTRUCTIONS for SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

- Presentation (15 ~ 20 min) is given in a group of two persons
- It will be evaluated in the scale: 15 ~ 30 points
- The presentation is given in English, and the slides will be put up in MyCourses afterwards
- Content of the presentation:
 - **ELEMENT:** discovery, origin of name, abundancy, world production, special features if any, etc.
 - **CHEMISTRY:** position in Periodic Table, electronic configuration, oxidation states, metal and ionic sizes, reactivity, etc.
 - **COMPOUNDS:** examples of important compounds, their properties and applications, etc.
 - **SPECIFIC FUNCTIONALITIES/APPLICATIONS:** Two or three examples of exciting functionalities/applications of the element or its compounds. Here the meaning is to discuss why this specific element is needed in each selected application. You will be given one scientific article for a reference, and you should search for couple of more (recent) articles to be discussed in the presentation.

PRESENTATION TOPICS/SCHEDULE

Wed 18.11. Ti:

Mon 23.11. Mo:

**Wed 25.11. Mn:
Ru:**

**Fri 27.11. In:
Te:**

Mon 30.11. U:

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H ¹											He ²						
Li ³	Be ⁴											B ⁵	C ⁶	N ⁷	O ⁸	F ⁹	Ne ¹⁰
Na ¹¹	Mg ¹²	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Al ¹³	Si ¹⁴	P ¹⁵	S ¹⁶	Cl ¹⁷	Ar ¹⁸
K ¹⁹	Ca ²⁰	Sc ²¹	Ti ²²	V ²³	Cr ²⁴	Mn ²⁵	Fe ²⁶	Co ²⁷	Ni ²⁸	Cu ²⁹	Zn ³⁰	Ga ³¹	Ge ³²	As ³³	Se ³⁴	Br ³⁵	Kr ³⁶
Rb ³⁷	Sr ³⁸	Y ³⁹	Zr ⁴⁰	Nb ⁴¹	Mo ⁴²	Tc ⁴³	Ru ⁴⁴	Rh ⁴⁵	Pd ⁴⁶	Ag ⁴⁷	Cd ⁴⁸	In ⁴⁹	Sn ⁵⁰	Sb ⁵¹	Te ⁵²	I ⁵³	Xe ⁵⁴
Cs ⁵⁵	Ba ⁵⁶	La ⁵⁷	Hf ⁷²	Ta ⁷³	W ⁷⁴	Re ⁷⁵	Os ⁷⁶	Ir ⁷⁷	Pt ⁷⁸	Au ⁷⁹	Hg ⁸⁰	Tl ⁸¹	Pb ⁸²	Bi ⁸³	Po ⁸⁴	At ⁸⁵	Rn ⁸⁶
Fr ⁸⁷	Ra ⁸⁸	Ac ⁸⁹	Rf ¹⁰⁴	Db ¹⁰⁵	Sg ¹⁰⁶	Bh ¹⁰⁷	Hs ¹⁰⁸	Mt ¹⁰⁹	Uun ¹¹⁰								

58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71
Ce	Pr	Nd	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb	Lu
90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100	101	102	103
Th	Pa	U	Np	Pu	Am	Cm	Bk	Cf	Es	Fm	Md	No	Lr

Alkali metals

Alkaline earth metals

Halogens

Noble gases

Transition metals

Lanthanides

Actinides

TRANSITION METALS

- A variety of possible oxidation states and spin-configurations
→ exciting properties
- **d-block transition metals**
 - [Sc ~ Cu(Zn)] + [Y ~ Ag(Cd)] + [La ~ Au(Hg)]
- **f-block transition metals**
 - lanthanides [14 elements after La: Ce ~ Lu]
 - actinides [14 elements after Ac: Th ~ Lr]
 - lanthanoides (Ln): La + Lanthanides
 - rare earth elements (RE): Ln + Y + Sc

Elements & Country of Discovery

1 H 	UK 23 Sweden 19 Germany 19 U.S.A. 17 France 17 Russia 6 Austria 2										2 He 								
3 Li 	4 Be 	Denmark 2 Spain 2 Swit. 2 Finland 1 Italy 1 Romania 1										5 B 	6 C Known to ancients	7 N 	8 O 	9 F 	10 Ne 		
11 Na 	12 Mg 	19 K 	20 Ca 	21 Sc 	22 Ti 	23 V 	24 Cr 	25 Mn 	26 Fe Known to ancients	27 Co 	28 Ni 	29 Cu Known to ancients	30 Zn Known to ancients	31 Ga 	32 Ge 	33 As Known to ancients	34 Se 	35 Br 	36 Kr
37 Rb 	38 Sr 	39 Y 	40 Zr 	41 Nb 	42 Mo 	43 Tc 	44 Ru 	45 Rh 	46 Pd 	47 Ag Known to ancients	48 Cd 	49 In 	50 Sn Known to ancients	51 Sb Known to ancients	52 Te 	53 I 	54 Xe 		
55 Cs 	56 Ba 	57 La 	72 Hf 	73 Ta 	74 W 	75 Re 	76 Os 	77 Ir 	78 Pt 	79 Au Known to ancients	80 Hg Known to ancients	81 Tl 	82 Pb Known to ancients	83 Bi Known to ancients	84 Po 	85 At 	86 Rn 		
87 Fr 	88 Ra 	89 Ac 	104 Rf 	105 Db 	106 Sg 	107 Bh 	108 Hs 	109 Mt 	110 Ds 	111 Rg 	112 Cn 	113 Uut T.B.C.	114 Fl 	115 Uup T.B.C.	116 Lv 	117 Uus T.B.C.	118 Uuo T.B.C.		
58 Ce 	59 Pr 	60 Nd 	61 Pm 	62 Sm 	63 Eu 	64 Gd 	65 Tb 	66 Dy 	67 Ho 	68 Er 	69 Tm 	70 Yb 	71 Lu 						
90 Th 	91 Pa 	92 U 	93 Np 	94 Pu 	95 Am 	96 Cm 	97 Bk 	98 Cf 	99 Es 	100 Fm 	101 Md 	102 No 	103 Lr 						

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Metals of Antiquity

- **Seven metals** known (and used) already since prehistoric times:
 - Gold, Silver, Copper, Tin, Lead, Iron & Mercury (8th arsenic in the 13th century)
- **Occurrence:**
 - Iron 4th (4.1 %), Copper 26th (50 ppm), Lead 37th (14 ppm), Tin 49th (2.2 ppm), Silver 65th (70 ppb), Mercury 66th (50 ppb), Gold 72nd (1.1 ppb)
- **Melting points (in °C):**
 - Mercury -38.8, Tin 231, Lead 327, Silver 961, Gold 1064, Copper 1084, Iron 1538
- **Extraction:**
 - Gold and silver occur frequently in native form
 - Mercury compounds reduced to elemental mercury by low-T heating (500 °C)
 - Carbon monoxide available (produced by burning charcoal at 900 °C)
 - Tin and iron oxides reduced with CO
 - Copper and lead compounds roasted to oxides, then reduced with CO

Metal	Celestial body	Week day
Gold	Sun	Sunday
Silver	Moon	Monday
Iron	Mars	Tuesday
Mercury	Mercury	Wednesday
Tin	Jupiter	Thursday
Copper	Venus	Friday
Lead	Saturn	Saturday

OXYGEN and NITROGEN

- Discovered during investigations related to air and **burning reactions** in the end of 18th century (Priestley, Scheele, Lavoisier)
- Oxygen (O): Greek *oxys genes* (= acid forming)
- Nitrogen (N): Greek *nitron genes* (= nitrate forming)

NOBLE GASES

- All stable noble gases found in the end of 19th century by Ramsay and Rayleigh through **accurate measurements**/experiments of air

■ Element	Year	Origin of name
Argon (Ar)	1894	Greek <i>argon</i> (= inert)
Krypton (Kr)	1898	Greek <i>krypton</i> (= hidden)
Neon (Ne)	1898	Greek <i>neos</i> (= new)
Xenon (Xe)	1898	Greek <i>xenon</i> (= strange)

ALKALI and ALKALINE EARTH METALS

(mostly through electrochemistry)

- Sodium (Na): Lat. *natrium*;
Compounds known since ancient times,
preparation in metallic form by Davy in 1807
- Potassium (K): Lat. *kalium*, Arab. *qali* (= base); Davy 1807
- Lithium (Li): Greek *lithos* (= stone); Arfwedson 1817
- Magnesium (Mg): Greek *Magnesia* (name of a place)
- Calcium (Ca): Lat. *calx* (= Chalk); Davy 1808
- Barium (Ba): Greek *baryta* (= heavy);
Scheele showed in 1774 that the oxide made from
baryte (raskassälpä) is different from calcium oxide,
preparation in metallic form by Davy in 1808
- Strontium (Sr): *Strontia* (Scottish town);
Hope discovered in 1791 from Scotland (SrSO_4
mineral), metallic form by Davy in 1808
- Beryllium (Be): Greek *beryllos*
Vauquelin discovered in 1798 from beryllos mineral,
preparation in metallic form in 1828 (reduction by K)

ELEMENTS DISCOVERED by means of SPECTROSCOPY

- **Cesium (Cs):** Lat. *caesius* (= sky blue);
Bunsen and Kirchoff in 1860 from mineral water,
separation twenty years later
- **Rubidium (Rb):** Lat. *rubidius* (= deep red);
Bunsen and Kirchoff in 1861
- **Thallium (Tl):** Greek *thallos* (= green spring); Crookes 1861
- **Indium (In):** *indigon* (blue/violet); Reich and Richter 1863
- **Helium (He):** Greek *helios* (= sun);
discovered first outside of the Earth
(Janssen 1868; spectrum of the Sun);
Palmieri 1881 from the spectral line of material
erupted from Mount Vesuvius

PLATINUM METALS

- Known in South America (**native Indians used in jewelry**) much before “discovered” in Europe

■ Element	Discoverer	Origin of name
Platinum (Pt)	de Ulloa 1748	Spanish <i>platina</i>
Palladium (Pd)	Wollaston 1803	<i>Pallas</i> (asteroid)
Osmium (Os)	Tennart 1803	Greek <i>osme</i> (= smell)
Iridium (Ir)	Tennart 1803	Lat. <i>iris</i> (= rainbow)
Rhodium (Rh)	Wollaston 1804	Greek <i>Rhodon</i> (= rose)
Rutenium (Ru)	Claus 1844	Lat. <i>Rutenia</i> (= Russia)

HALOGENS

- Chlorine (Cl): Greek *kloros* (= yellowish green);
Scheele 1774: oxidation of HCl,
Davy 1807: nature of an element
- Iodine (I): Greek *iodes* (= violet);
Courtois found iodine from seaweed ash
- Bromine (Br): Greek *bromos* (= to stink (bad smell));
Balard found in 1861 from salt solutions
- Fluorine (F): Lat. *fluere* (= to flow);
Use of fluorspar in metallurgy (flux agent) known since 1500s;
elemental fluorine discovered by Moissan in 1886
through electrolysis of HF (Nobel 1906)

RARE EARTH ELEMENTS (= METALS)

■ Discovery history starts from and ends in Finland:

- Johan Gadolin (prof. at Univ. Turku) showed in 1794 that the new mineral found in Ytterby (near Stockholm) contained some new oxide (“earth”) of an unknown/new element → **yttrium**
- Olavi Erämetsä (inorg. chem. prof. at TKK) found in 1965 from nature small amounts of radioactive **promethium** (first discovered as a fission product in nuclear reactions in USA)

■ Element

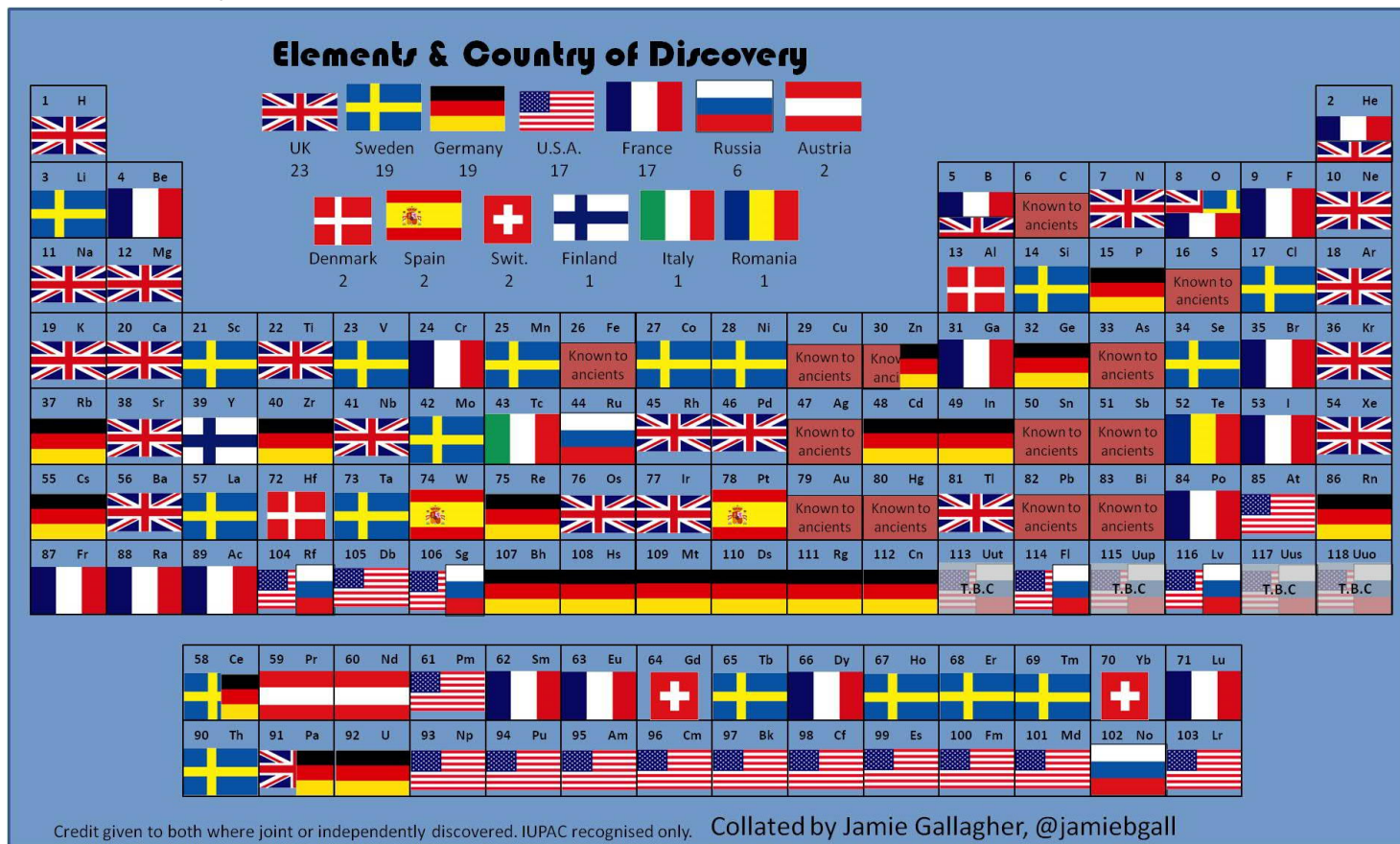
Discoverer

Origin of name

Cerium (Ce)	Klaproth 1803	Ceres (asteroid)
Lanthanum (La)	Mosander 1839	Greek <i>lanthano</i> (= to hide)
Terbium (Tb)	Mosander 1843	Ytterby
Erbium (Er)	Mosander 1843	Ytterby
Ytterbium (Yb)	Mariqnac 1878	Ytterby
Holmium (Ho)	Cleve 1878	Holmia (= Stockholm)
Thulium (Tm)	Cleve 1879	Thule (= Nothern country)
Scandium (Sc)	Nilson 1879	Scandinavia
Samarium (Sm)	Boisboudran 1879	Samarskite (mineral)
Gadolinium (Gd)	Marignac 1880	Johan Gadolin
Praseodymium (Pr)	Welsbach 1885	Greek <i>didymos</i> (= green twin)
Neodymium (Nd)	Welsbach 1885	Greek <i>neos didymos</i> (= new twin)
Dysprosium (Dy)	Boisboudran 1886	Greek <i>dysprositos prasio</i> (= difficult to reach)
Europium (Eu)	Demarcay 1896	Europe
Lutetium (Lu)	Urbain 1907	Lutetia (= Paris)

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IUPAC (International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry)

- Based on the Greek/Latin names of numbers
- For example: element no. **119**: un un enn → **Ununennium (Uue)**

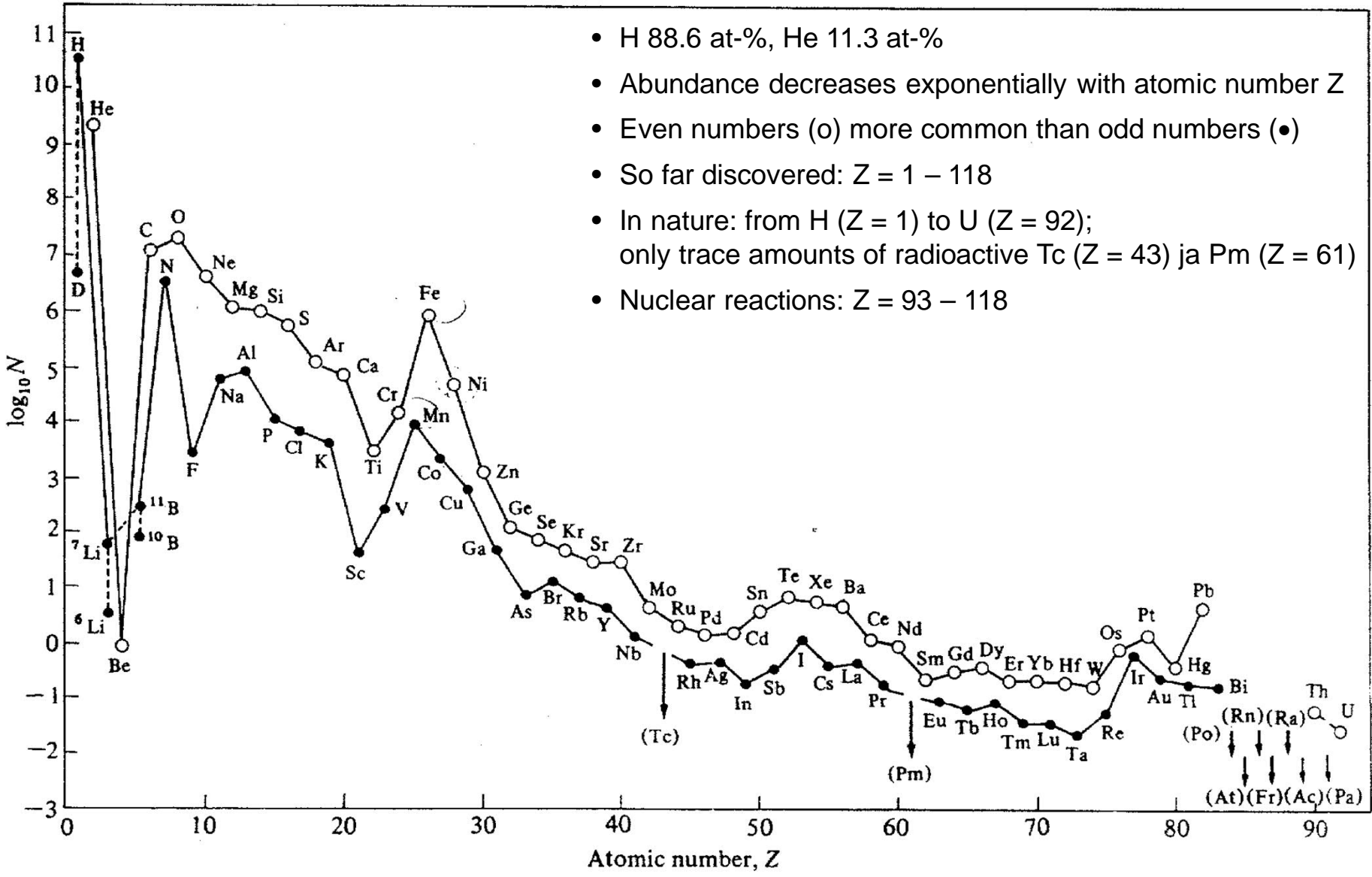
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2	bi	7	sept
3	tri	8	oct
4	quad	9	enn

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Z = 113: nihonium Nh
Z = 115: moscovium Mc
Z = 117: tennessine Ts
Z = 118: oganesson Og

Nuclear fusion: Dubna, RIKEN, OakRidge

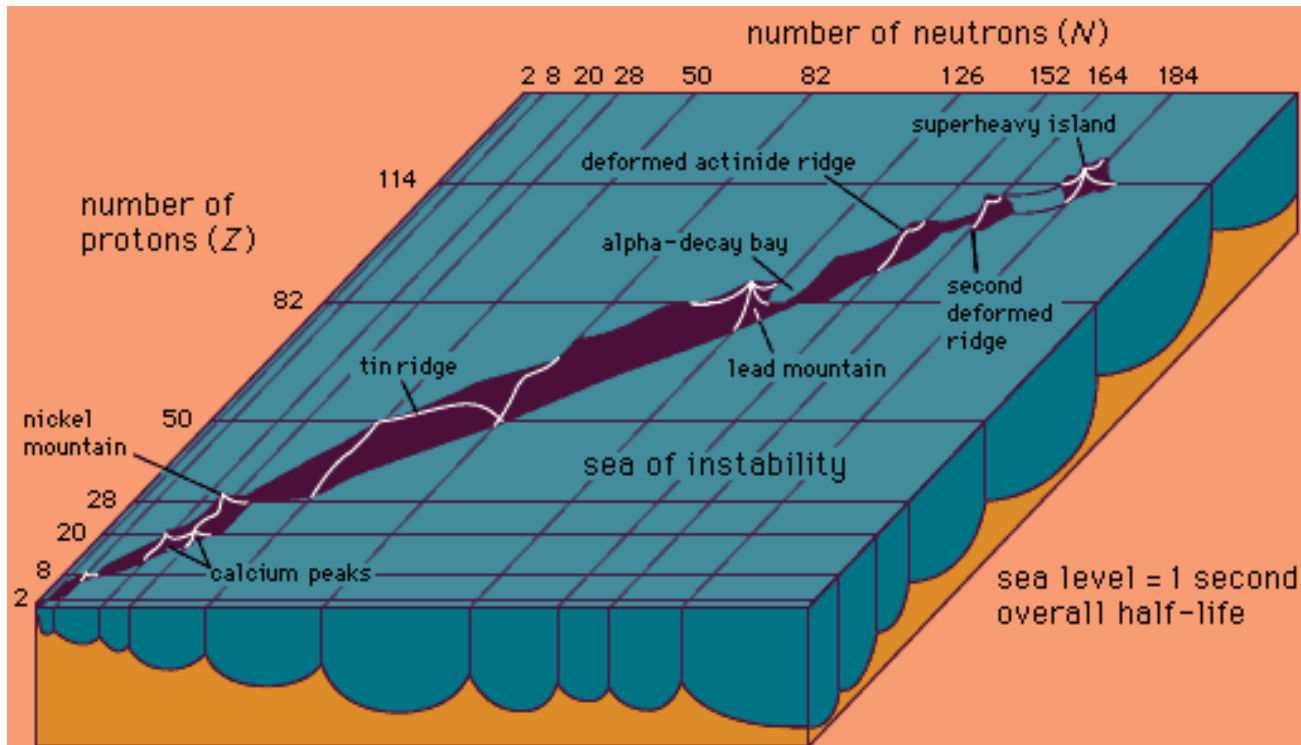
RELATIVE ABUNDANCE OF ELEMENTS (in universe)



- H 88.6 at-%, He 11.3 at-%
- Abundance decreases exponentially with atomic number Z
- Even numbers (o) more common than odd numbers (•)
- So far discovered: Z = 1 – 118
- In nature: from H (Z = 1) to U (Z = 92);
only trace amounts of radioactive Tc (Z = 43) ja Pm (Z = 61)
- Nuclear reactions: Z = 93 – 118

MAGIC NUMBERS

- In nucleus fixed energy levels for protons and neutrons (c.f. electrons & orbitals)
- With certain atomic numbers (Z) and neutron numbers (N) more stable nuclii
- So-called magic numbers: Z or N = 2, 8, 20, 28, 50, 82, 126
- Most stable: both Z and N magic numbers: ${}^4\text{He}$ (Z = 2), ${}^{16}\text{O}$ (Z = 8), ${}^{208}\text{Pb}$ (Z = 82)



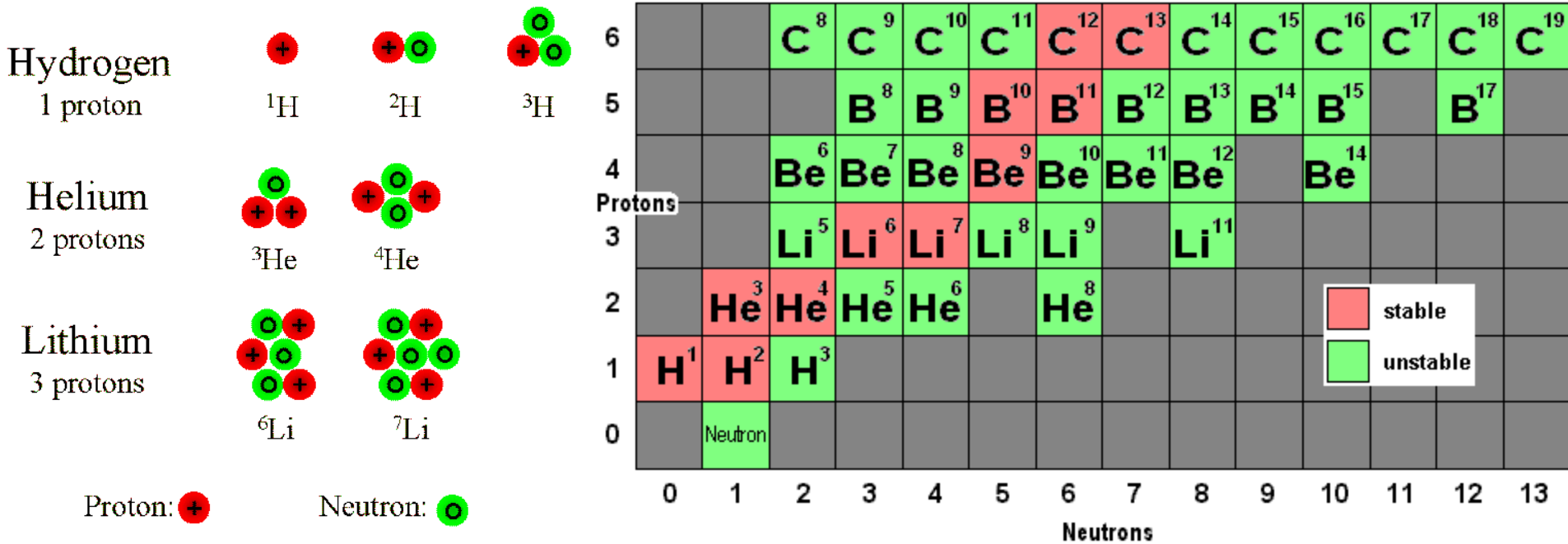
G.T. Seaborg, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, 1989

Artificial Elements

- Preparation: fusion reactions in particle accelerators (Dubna, RIKEN, OakRidge, Hamburg)
- Life times typically less than second
- 1937: first artificially prepared element: Technetium (Tc) (Greek *teknetos* = artificial)

ISOTOPES

- Known atoms (273 stable + radioactive) much more than elements (118) → many elements have different atoms → ISOTOPES
- Isotopes of the same element are chemically similar but the physical properties may be different
- With increasing atomic number Z the relative number of neutrons increases
- Natural isotope composition nearly constant for stable elements but varies for radioactive elements



ATOMIC WEIGHTS

- Accuracy is continuously increasing

Element	1873–5	1903	1925	1959	1961	1995
H	1	1.008	1.008	1.0080	1.007 97	1.007 94(7)
C	12	12.00	12.000	12.011 15	12.011 15	12.0107(8)
O	16	16.00	16.000	16	15.9994	15.9994(3)
P	31	31.0	31.027	30.975	30.9738	30.973 761(2)
Ti	50	48.1	48.1	47.90	47.90	47.867(1)
Zn	65	65.4	65.38	65.38	65.37	65.39(2)
Se	79	79.2	79.2	78.96	78.96	78.96(3)
Ag	108	107.93	107.880	107.880	107.870	107.8682(2)
I	127	126.85	126.932	126.91	126.9044	126.90447(3)
Ce	92	140.0	140.25	140.13	140.12	140.116(1)
Pr	—	140.5	140.92	140.92	140.907	140.907 65(2)
Re	—	—	188.7 ^(b)	186.22	186.22	186.207(1)
Hg	200	200.0	200.61	200.61	200.59	200.59(2)

SOURCES OF ERROR IN ATOMIC WEIGHTS

- accuracy of measurement
- natural isotope composition (B, S)
- "depleted" elements (in natural Li 7.5% ⁶Li, commercially only 3.75 %)
- enriched elements (from nuclear reactors)
- radioactive elements (atomic weight changes as a function of time)

LITHIUM ISOTOPES

- Lithium has **two stable isotopes**: ${}^6\text{Li}$ and ${}^7\text{Li}$ (92.5 %)
- Both isotopes have an uncommon property: **nuclear fission is possible** → Lithium is much **less common in the Solar System than expected**
- Besides the two natural isotopes, seven unstable Li radioisotopes are known, the most stable being ${}^8\text{Li}$ (half-life of 838 ms)
- **The two natural isotopes behave differently** in many natural processes, such as mineral formation, metabolism and ion exchange
- For example: ${}^6\text{Li}$ has higher preference for octahedral coordination (than ${}^7\text{Li}$) → ${}^6\text{Li}$ is enriched when lithium ions substitute for octahedral magnesium and iron in clay minerals
- ${}^6\text{Li}$ is important in manufacture of **nuclear weapons** and also otherwise in **nuclear physics**:
 - source material for the production of tritium ${}^3\text{H}$
 - absorber of neutrons in nuclear fusion reactions
- In commercial Li chemicals the ${}^6\text{Li}$ content is often visibly low (7.5 → 3.75 %)
- Even in natural sources, such as rivers, measurably deviating ${}^6\text{Li}$ to ${}^7\text{Li}$ ratios are sometimes seen

