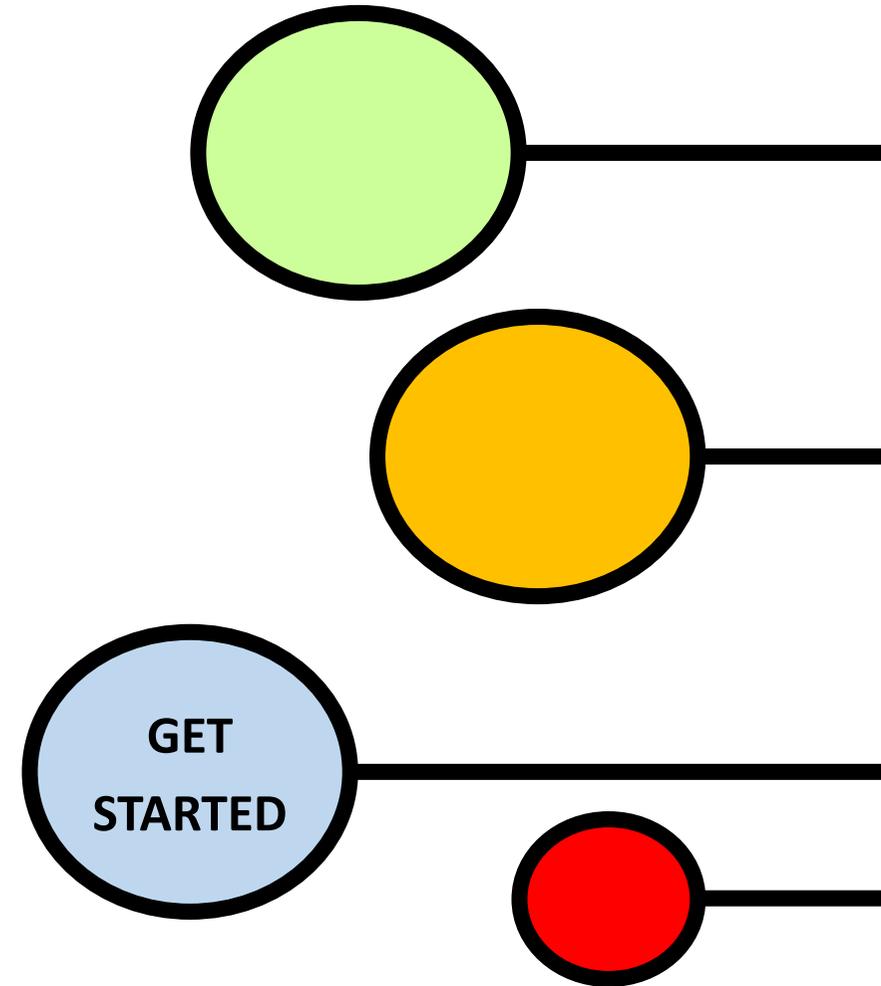


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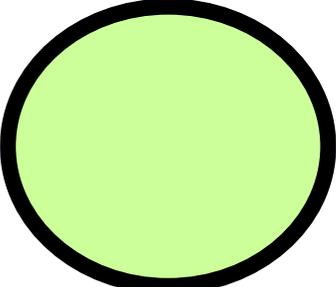
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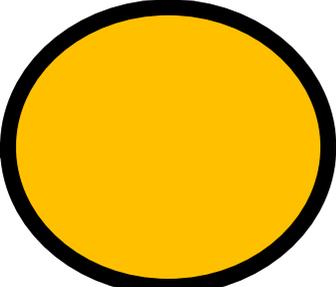
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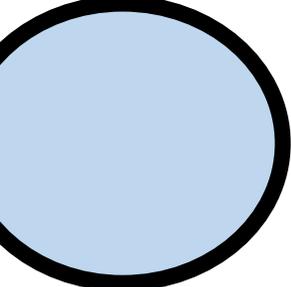
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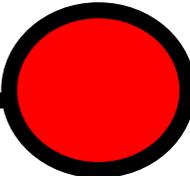
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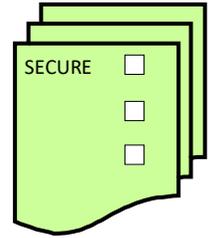
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The cell is the fundamental unit of life. All organisms, whatever their type or size, are composed of cells. The modern theory of cellular organisation states:-

- All living things are composed of cells and cell products.
- New cells are formed only by the division of pre-existing cells
- The cell contains inherited information (genes), which is used as instructions for growth, functioning and development.
- The cell is the functioning unit of life; the metabolic reactions of life take place within the cells.

Eukaryotic	Prokaryotic
Eukaryotic cells make up multi-cellular organisms such as plants and animals. They are complex cells with a nucleus and membrane-bound organelles.	Prokaryotic cells are single-celled organisms. They are simple structures and do not have a nucleus or any membrane-bound organelles.
Plants and animals	Bacteria

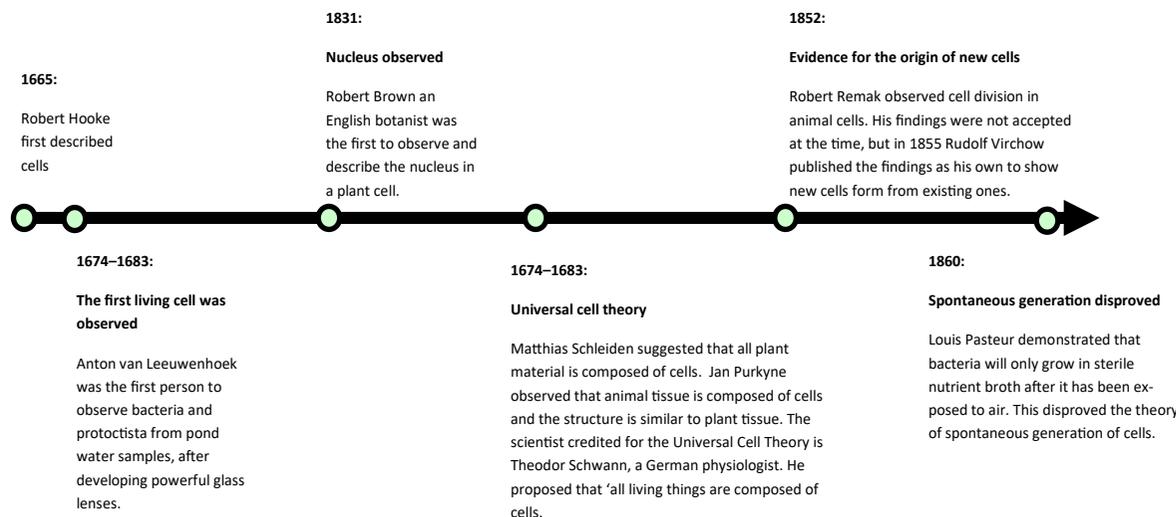
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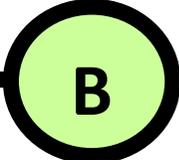


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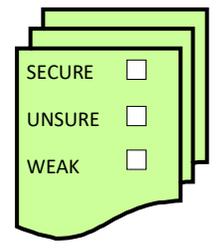


1. Outline the similarities and differences between eukaryotic and prokaryotic cells.
2. Briefly outline how cell theory has developed over the past 400 years.



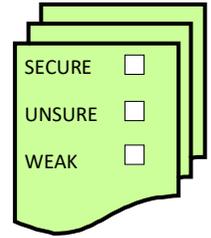


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## MICROSCOPY



The diagram below shows the general structure of a plant cell when viewed under and electron microscope.

$$M = \frac{I}{A}$$

$$= \frac{23\text{mm}}{40\mu\text{m}}$$

$$= \frac{23000\mu\text{m}}{40\mu\text{m}}$$

$$= 575$$

1) Calculate the magnification factor of the diagram

The diagram below shows the general structure of a plant cell when viewed under and electron microscope.

$$A = \frac{I}{M}$$

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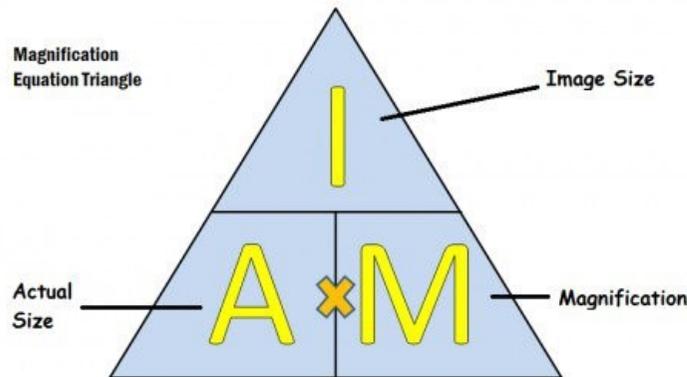
2) Calculate the length of structure C.

Light Microscopy	Electron Microscopy
Light microscopes use visible light and magnifying lenses to observe small objects.	They use a beam of electrons in a vacuum with a wavelength of less than 1 nm to visualise the specimen.
Positive: can observe sub-cellular structures.	Positive: x500000 magnification, high resolution (0.1nm) electron micrographs produced
Limitations: lower magnification (x500) and resolution (x200nm)	Limitations: destroys the sample

We can use the equation below to calculate magnification:

$$\text{Magnification} = \frac{\text{Size of Image (I)}}{\text{Actual Size (A)}}$$

Magnification Equation Triangle



- The actual length of the mitochondrion in the animal cell is 10.0  $\mu\text{m}$ . Calculate the magnification of the nucleus in the image to the left.
- A microbiologist measures an electron micrograph image of a bacterium to be 4.5 cm in length. The magnification used to view the bacterium was 22 500x. Calculate the actual size of the bacterium.

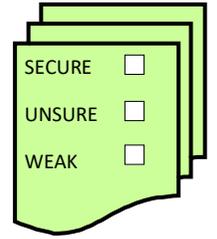
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Show all of your working out in the exam, it is a good idea to draw the I AM triangle and complete it with figures.



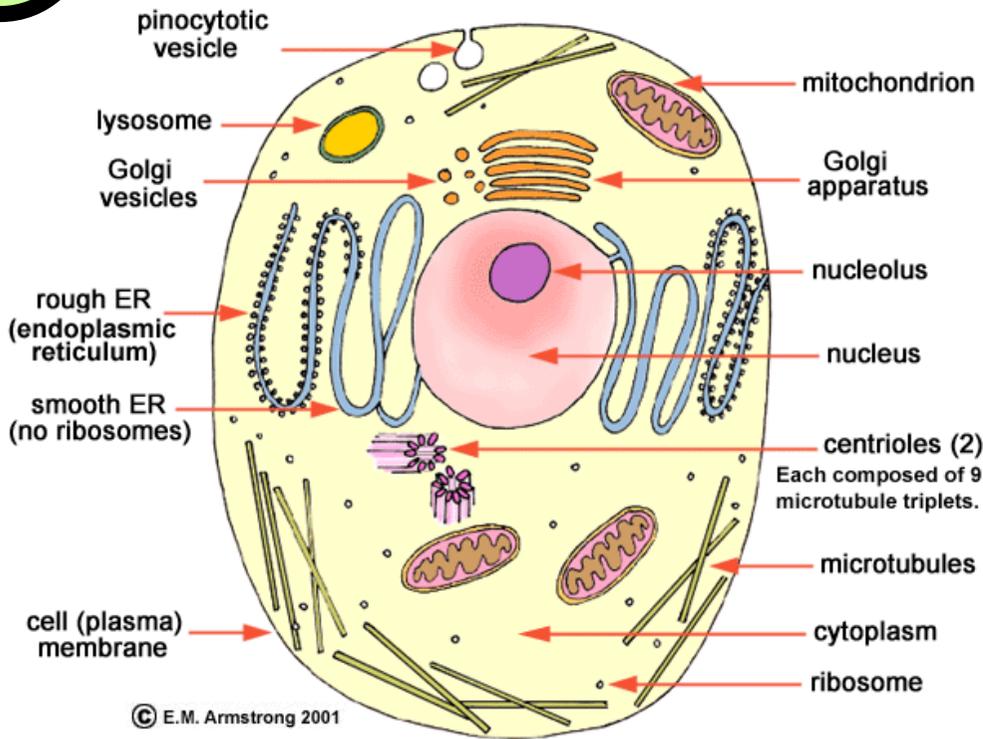
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# B

## ANIMAL CELLS



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One of the key **functions** of a cell is to synthesise proteins for use inside the cell, to lead to cell multiplication and for secretion out of the cell for example, insulin.

- Proteins are synthesised on ribosomes attached to rough endoplasmic reticulum.
- The newly synthesised proteins are transported through the cisternae of the rough ER and packaged into vesicles.
- They are transported to the Golgi apparatus, where vesicles fuse with the surface of the Golgi apparatus and the proteins enter.
- It is here that the newly synthesised proteins are modified and then packaged into vesicles. Secretory vesicles will transport proteins that are to be released from the cell to the cell surface membrane.
- They will fuse with the membrane and release the protein by **exocytosis**.

Q:

1. State **two** functions of the Golgi apparatus.
2. Draw from memory a labelled diagram of an animal cell.
3. Outline the functions of each cell component.

 <p><b>Nucleus</b> the organelle that contains the cell's DNA and is the control center of the cell</p>	 <p><b>Chloroplast</b> the organelle that uses the energy of sunlight to make food</p>
 <p><b>Ribosome</b> the organelle in which amino acids are hooked together to make proteins</p>	 <p><b>Golgi complex</b> the organelle that processes and transports proteins and other materials out of cell</p>
 <p><b>Endoplasmic reticulum</b> the organelle that makes lipids, breaks down drugs and other substances, and packages proteins for Golgi complex</p>	 <p><b>Large central vacuole</b> the organelle that stores water and other materials</p>
 <p><b>Mitochondrion</b> the organelle that breaks down food molecules to make ATP</p>	 <p><b>Lysosome</b> the organelle that digests food particles, wastes, cell parts, and foreign invaders</p>

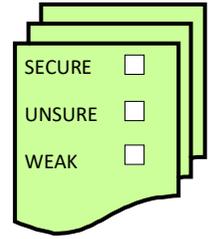
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Make sure you can link the structure of a cell organelle with its function.



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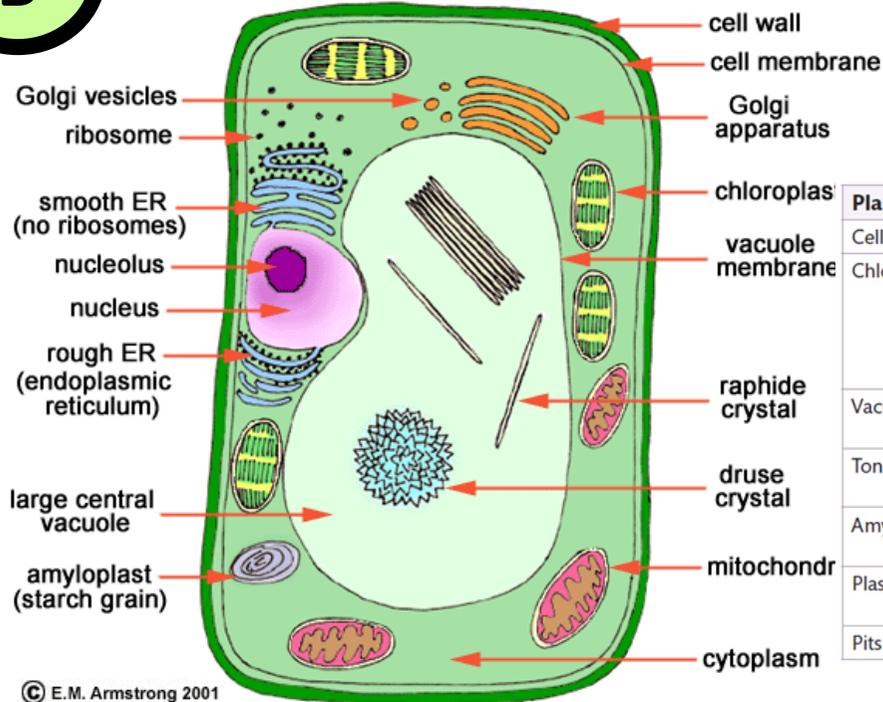
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## PLANT CELLS

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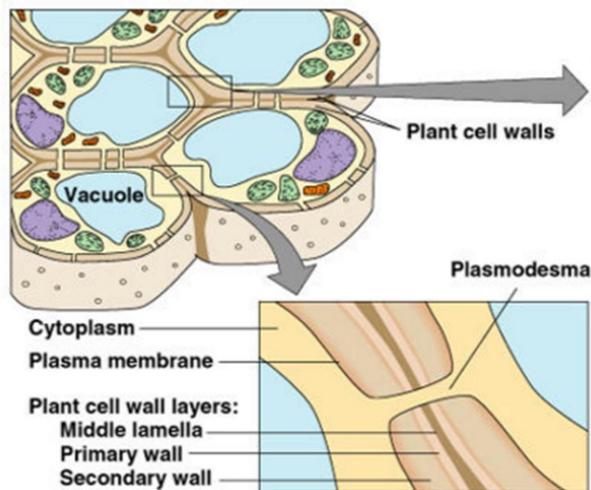
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Plant cell structure	Structure	Function
Cell wall	Made of cellulose forming a sieve like network.	Protects and supports each cell and the whole plant.
Chloroplast	Has a double membrane and is filled with a fluid called stroma. The inner membrane is a continuous network of flattened sacs called thylakoids. A stack of thylakoids is called a granum (grana is plural). Grana contain chlorophyll pigments.	Site of photosynthesis. Light energy is trapped by the chlorophyll and used to produce carbohydrate molecules from water and carbon dioxide.
Vacuole	Membrane bound sac in cytoplasm that contains cell sap.	Maintain turgor to ensure a rigid framework in the cell.
Tonoplast	The partially permeable membrane of the vacuole.	Selectively permeable to allow small molecules to pass through.
Amyloplast	A double membrane bound sac containing starch granules.	Responsible for the synthesis and storage of starch granules.
Plasmodesmata	Microscopic channels which cross the cell walls of plant cells.	Enable transport and communication between individual plant cells.
Pits	Pores in the cell walls of the xylem.	Allow water to enter and leave xylem vessels.

Q:

MY NOTES:

1. Name an organelle found in a plant cell that is not present in this animal cell.
2. Outline the function of each plant cell component.



**Plasmodesma:** Microscopic channels which cross the cell walls of plant cells. Enable transport and communication between individual plant cells.

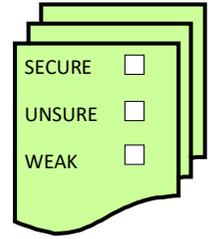
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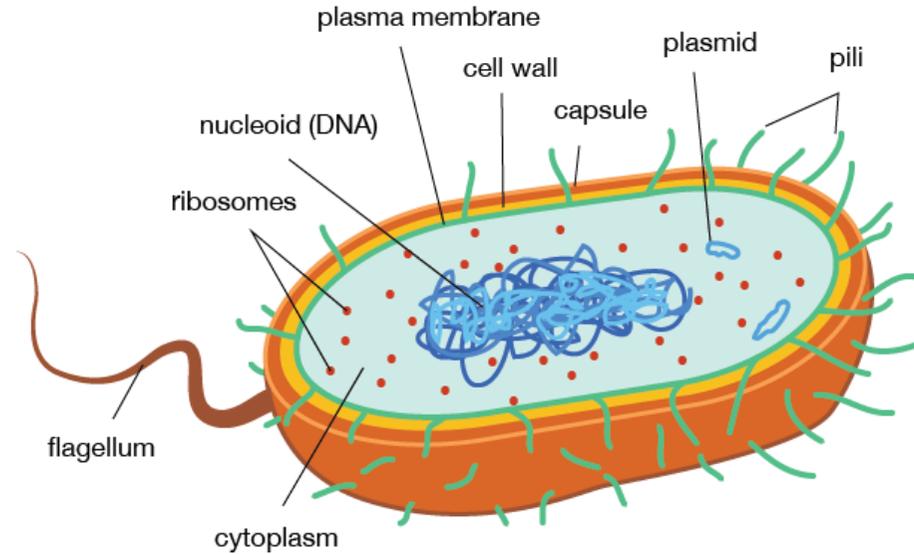


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## BACTERIA CELLS

Bacterial cells, like many other animals and plants, produce and secrete toxins that have an effect on other organisms.

- DNA is free in the cytoplasm of a prokaryotic cell in the area called the nucleoid.
- A section of DNA containing a genetic code for a metabolite unwinds and hydrogen bonds break.
- RNA nucleotides line up (**complementary base pairing**). Messenger RNA is formed. This process is known as **transcription**.
- The next process is the production of the bacterial protein. This is called **translation** and it occurs at the ribosomes.
- Transcription and translation can occur simultaneously because the genetic material is free in the nucleoid surrounded by ribosomes.
- The newly made protein toxin is moved to the surface membrane ready to be secreted to cause infection.



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Note that many bacteria are beneficial to humans and to eukaryotes.

Organelle	Structure	Function
Cell wall	Prokaryotic cells are surrounded by a cell wall made of peptidoglycan.	Protects and supports each cell.
Capsule	Slippery layer outside the cell wall of some species of bacteria.	Protects the cell and prevents desiccation.
Ribosomes	Smaller than ribosomes found in eukaryotic cells. They consist of two sub-units and they are not surrounded by a membrane.	Protein synthesis occurs at the ribosomes.
Nucleoid	The nucleoid (meaning nucleus-like) is the irregularly-shaped region that holds nuclear material without a nuclear membrane and where the genetic material is localized. The DNA forms one circular chromosome.	The nucleoid is the region where genetic information can be found, and controls cellular activity.
Plasmid	Small circular loops of DNA.	Plasmids carry genes that may benefit the survival of the organism.

Q:

1. Name the type of ribosome found in bacteria.
2. Explain how the ultrastructure of a bacterium capsule prevents dehydration.

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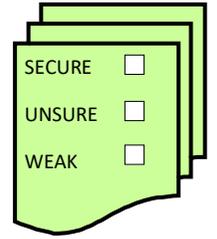
Make sure you can link the structure of a cell organelle with its function.

Ribosome size is determined by their ability to form sediment in a solution. Eukaryotic ribosomes are determined as 80S whereas prokaryotic cell ribosomes are smaller and are 70S.



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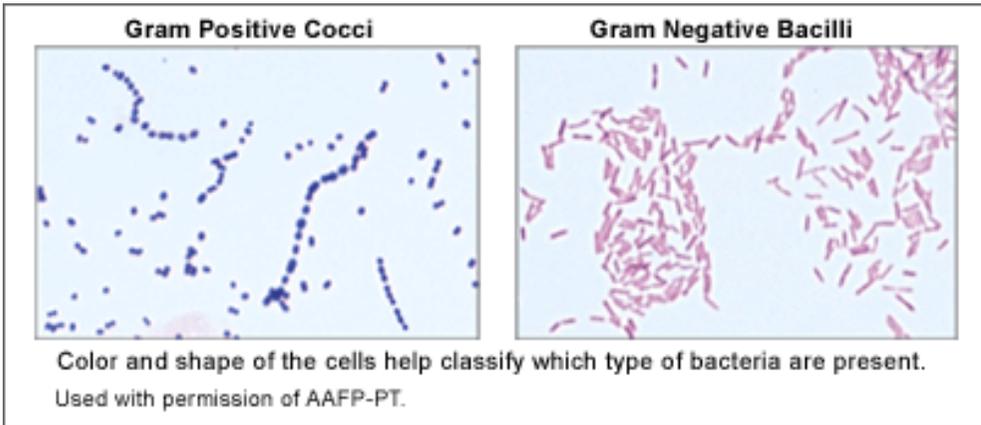
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## GRAM STAINING

It is important that microbiologists can correctly identify bacteria that cause infections to enable them to decide the most effective treatment.



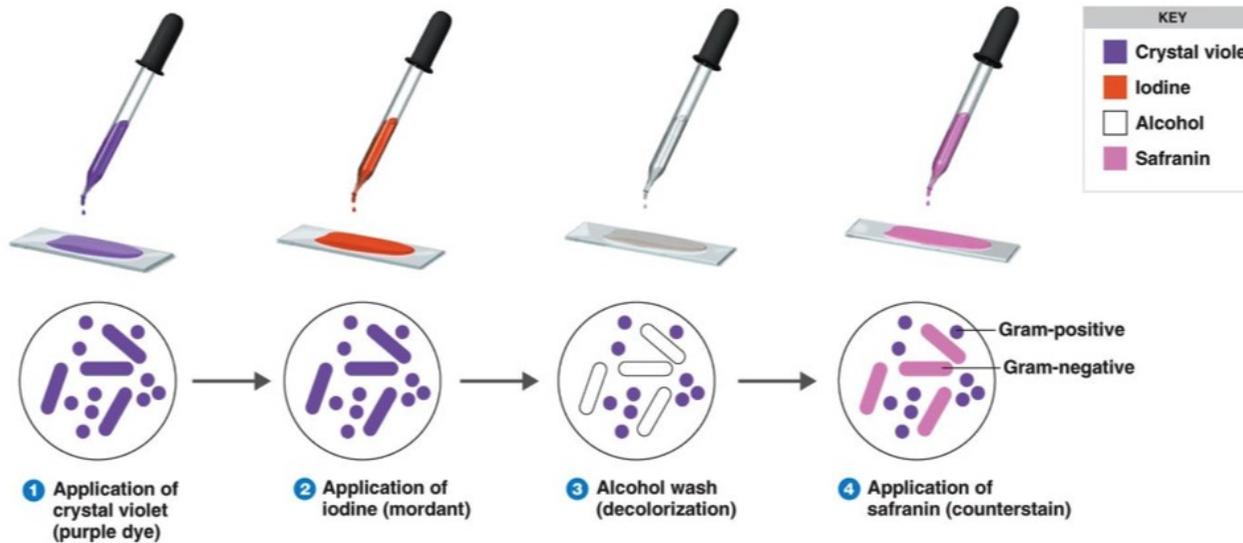
During the staining technique, two stains are added to the bacterial smear: crystal violet and safranin.

Gram Positive	Gram Negative
If you see a purple stain when observing the smear under a microscope it shows that Gram-positive bacteria are present.	If the smear has retained the pink safranin stain, this shows that Gram-negative bacteria are present. This is because their thinner cell walls and lipid membranes allow ethanol (applied during the method) to wash off all the crystal violet purple stain and to then retain the pink safranin stain.

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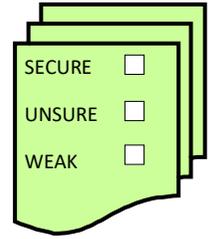
Q:

1. Briefly explain how to carry out gram staining.



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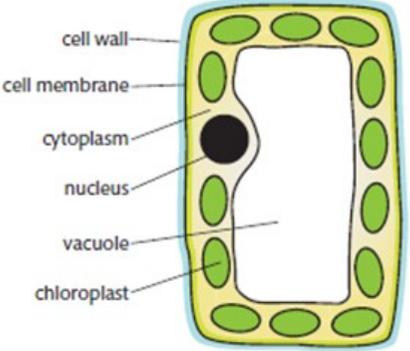
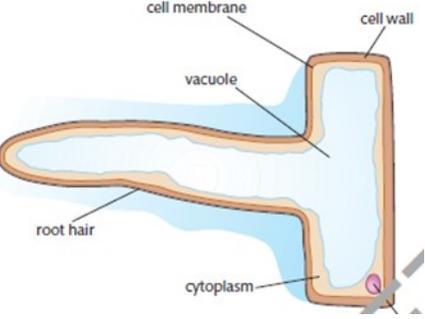
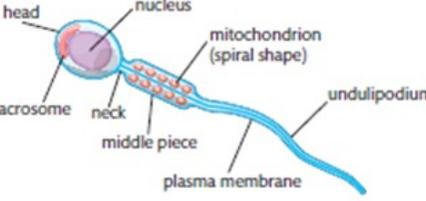
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## SPECIALISED CELLS (I)

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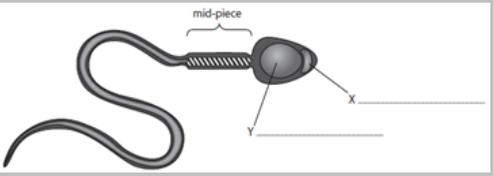
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Palisade mesophyll cells	Root hair cell	Sperm cell
 <p>Labels: cell wall, cell membrane, cytoplasm, nucleus, vacuole, chloroplast</p>	 <p>Labels: cell membrane, cell wall, vacuole, root hair, cytoplasm</p>	 <p>Labels: head, acrosome, nucleus, neck, middle piece, mitochondrion (spiral shape), undulipodium, plasma membrane</p>
<p>Palisade mesophyll cells found in leaves are rectangular box shaped cells that contain chloroplasts. The chloroplasts are able to absorb a large amount of light for photosynthesis. They also move around in the cytoplasm in order to maximise the amount of light absorbed.</p>	<p>These cells are found at a plant's roots, near the growing tip. They have long hair-like extensions called root hairs. The root hairs increase the surface area of the cell to maximise the movement of water and minerals from the soil into the plant root.</p>	<p>Sperm cells are male <b>gametes</b> in animals. They have a tail like structure called a undulipodium so they can move. They also contain many mitochondria to supply the energy needed for this movement. The sperm head is 3 <math>\mu\text{m}</math> wide and 4 <math>\mu\text{m}</math> long. It is made up of an acrosome, which contains digestive enzymes. These enzymes are released when the sperm meets the egg, to digest the protective layer and allow the sperm to penetrate. The sperm's function is to deliver genetic information to the egg cell or ovum (female gamete). This is fertilisation</p>

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Q:

Scientists researching fertilisation in humans need to understand how sperm cells are adapted for their specific function. The diagram shows a human sperm cell. Complete the missing labels, X and Y, on the diagram.

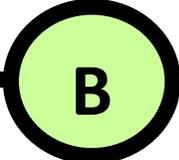


1. Explain how the mid-piece of a human sperm cell is specialised to support the function of its tail.

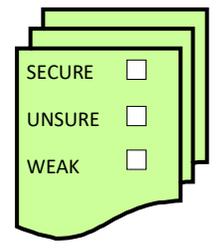
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Do you understand the meaning of the key terms 'gametes' and 'water potential'?





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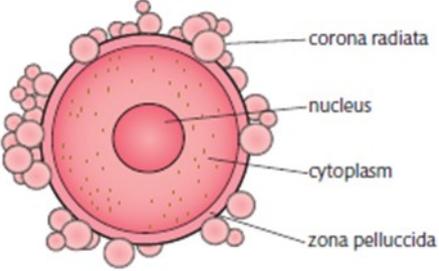
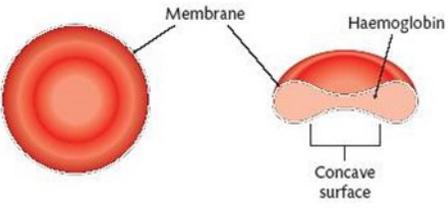
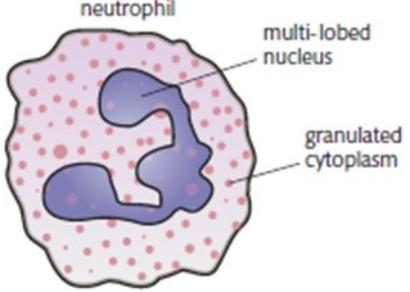
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## SPECIALISED CELLS (II)

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Egg cells	Red Blood cells	White blood cell
		
<p>Egg cells, or ova, are the female gametes in animals. An egg cell is one of the largest cells in the human body, and is approximately 0.12 mm in diameter. It contains a nucleus which houses the genetic material. The zona pellucida is the outer protective layer/membrane of the egg. Attached to this is the corona radiata, which consists of two or three layers. Its function is to supply proteins needed by the fertilised egg cell.</p>	<p>Red blood cells or erythrocytes are a biconcave shape. This increases the surface area to volume ratio of an erythrocyte. They are flexible so that they can squeeze through narrow blood capillaries. Their function is to transport oxygen around the body. In mammals, erythrocytes do not have a nucleus or other organelles. This increases space for the <b>haemoglobin</b> molecules inside the cell that carry oxygen.</p>	<p>Neutrophils are a type of white blood cell and they play an important role in the immune system. They have multi-lobed nuclei, which enables them to squeeze through small gaps when travelling to the site of infection. The cytoplasm holds lysosomes that contain enzymes that are used to digest <b>pathogens</b> that are ingested by the neutrophil.</p>

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Q:

1. Explain how the shape of red blood cells allows them to carry out their function.
2. What is the function of neutrophils?

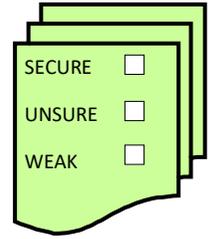
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Do you understand the meaning of the key terms 'pathogen' and 'Haemoglobin'?



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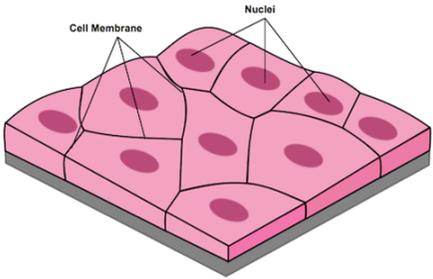
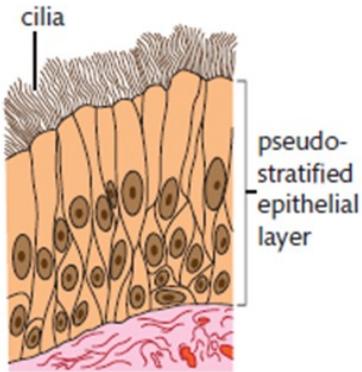
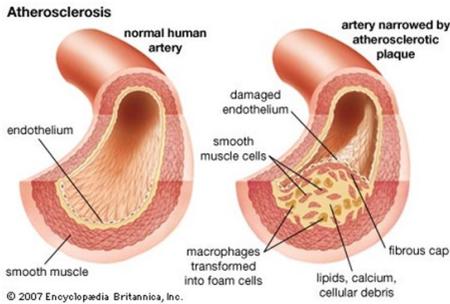
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# EPITHELIAL TISSUE

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Squamous epithelial tissue	Ciliated columnar epithelial tissue	Endothelial tissue
		
<p><b>Location:</b> lines organs and surfaces</p>	<p><b>Location:</b> line the trachea in the respiratory system, column-shaped <b>ciliated cells</b> with hair-like structures called cilia covering the exposed cell surface</p>	<p><b>Location:</b> found lining the heart, blood vessels and lymphatic vessels</p>
<p><b>Function:</b> one cell thick, form thin, smooth, flat layers. Ideal for rapid diffusion e.g. alveoli in lungs - rapid diffusion of oxygen</p>	<p><b>Function:</b> protect the lungs from infection by sweeping away pathogens and secreting mucus to trap pathogens</p>	<p><b>Function:</b> The cells provide a short diffusion pathway for the movement of various substances, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• products of digestion into blood capillaries</li> <li>• blood plasma and tissue fluid in and out of blood capillaries.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Damage caused by smoking:</b> Smoking irritates and causes inflammation and scarring in the epithelium tissue of the lungs. The alveoli walls become thicker due to scarring and produce more mucus. The damage to the air sacs causes emphysema and the lungs lose their natural elasticity.</p>	<p><b>How the lungs are protected:</b> They secrete mucus to help trap any unwanted particles that are present in the air that you breathe in. This protects your lungs because it prevents bacteria reaching the alveoli.</p>	<p><b>How arteriosclerosis develops:</b> Carbon monoxide and high blood pressure can damage the inner lining of the arteries. White blood cells repair the damage and encourage the growth of smooth muscle and the deposition of fatty substances such as cholesterol under the endothelium lining of arteries, not on the surface. This process of deposition is called atherosclerosis</p>

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1. What is the name of the lung tissue that contains ciliated cells?

A columnar endothelium

B columnar epithelium

C squamous endothelium

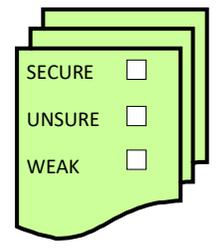
D squamous epithelium

2. Chemicals in cigarette smoke reduce the movement of the cilia on ciliated cells in the human lung. Explain how reducing the movement of these cilia can result in a smoker having to cough.





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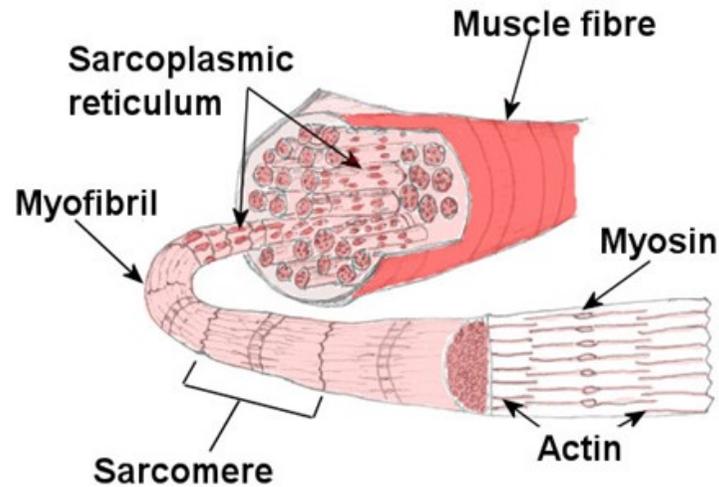
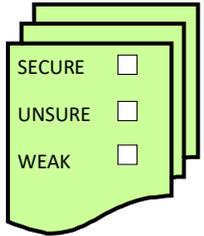


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## MUSCLE TISSUE (I)

Muscles are composed of cells that are elongated and form fibres. Muscle cells contain protein filaments called actin and myosin that enable muscles to contract and cause movement. There are three types of muscle tissue:

- **Skeletal** muscle is found attached to bones. You can control its contraction and relaxation, and it sometimes contracts in response to reflexes.
- **Cardiac** muscle is found only in the heart. It contracts at a steady rate to make the heartbeat. It is not under voluntary control.
- **Smooth** muscle is found in the walls of hollow organs, such as the stomach and bladder. It is also not under voluntary control.



MY NOTES:

Q:

1. Heart disease caused by atherosclerosis is a major problem in the UK. Smoking cigarettes and drinking alcohol are lifestyle factors that increase the risk of atherosclerosis. State **one** other lifestyle factor that increases the risk of atherosclerosis.

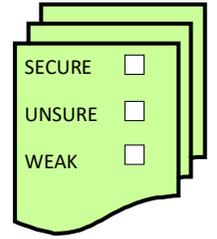
### Skeletal Muscle Fibre:

- Muscle tissue needs to be able contract (shorten in length) in order to move bones.
- In a muscle, cells join up to make muscle fibres. These are long strands of cells sharing nuclei and cytoplasm, which is known as the sarcoplasm.
- Inside the muscle cell cytoplasm are many mitochondria, specialised endoplasmic reticulum known as sarcoplasmic reticulum and a number of microfibrils.
- Each muscle fibre is surrounded by a cell surface membrane called the **sarcolemma**.
- Skeletal muscle shows a stripy/banding appearance under a microscope.
- Skeletal muscle is made up of thousands of muscle fibres. Each muscle fibre is made up of myofibrils



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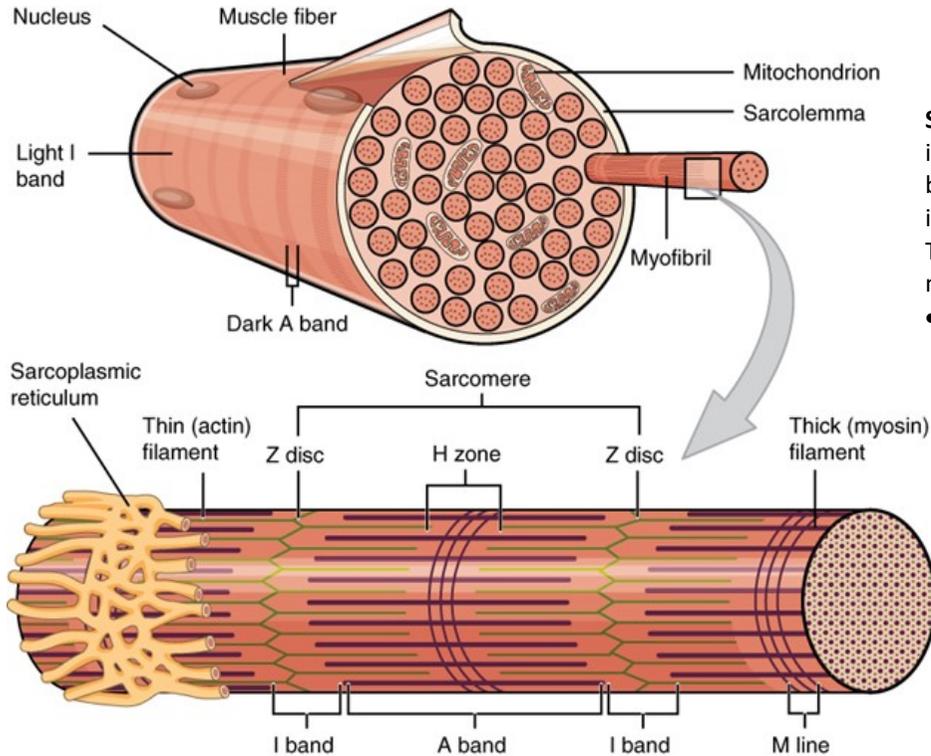
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## MUSCLE TISSUE (II)

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**Sarcomere:** The span from one z-line to the next is known as the sarcomere. When the muscle is relaxed, this is approximately 2.5  $\mu\text{m}$  in length. This length reduces when the muscle contracts because the I-band and H-zone lengths are reduced. The A-band does not change in length during contraction.

There are two protein filaments found in muscle cells. This filament made of actin and thick filaments made of myosin.

- During muscle contraction, the thin actin filaments move and overlap the thick myosin filaments. The sarcomere shortens, decreasing the size of the overall muscle.

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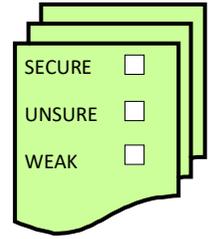
1. A young athlete is very good at long-distance running but is not good at sprinting. Discuss how this difference relates to the types of muscle fibre in his legs.
2. Name the **two** myofilaments found in a skeletal muscle fibre that give it its striated appearance.
3. Explain the function of the sarcoplasmic reticulum in skeletal muscle tissue.

Slow Twitch Muscle Fibres	Fast Twitch Muscle Fibres
<p>Slow twitch muscles are more effective at using oxygen to generate energy in the form of ATP, for continuous and extended muscle contractions over a long time. These fibres help marathon runners and endurance cyclists to continue for hours. Slow twitch fibres have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• less sarcoplasmic reticulum</li> <li>• more mitochondria for sustained contraction</li> <li>• more myoglobin</li> <li>• a dense capillary network</li> <li>• these fibres release ATP slowly by <b>aerobic respiration</b>.</li> </ul>	<p>Fast twitch oxidative muscle fibres are similar in structure to slow twitch muscle fibres. They contain many mitochondria, myoglobin and blood capillaries, but they are able to <b>hydrolyse</b> ATP much more quickly and therefore contract quickly. They are relatively resistant to fatigue.</p> <p><b>Fast twitch glycolytic muscle fibres</b> have relatively less myoglobin, few mitochondria and few capillaries. They contain a large concentration of <b>glycogen</b> that provides fuel for <b>anaerobic respiration</b>. They contract rapidly but also fatigue.</p>



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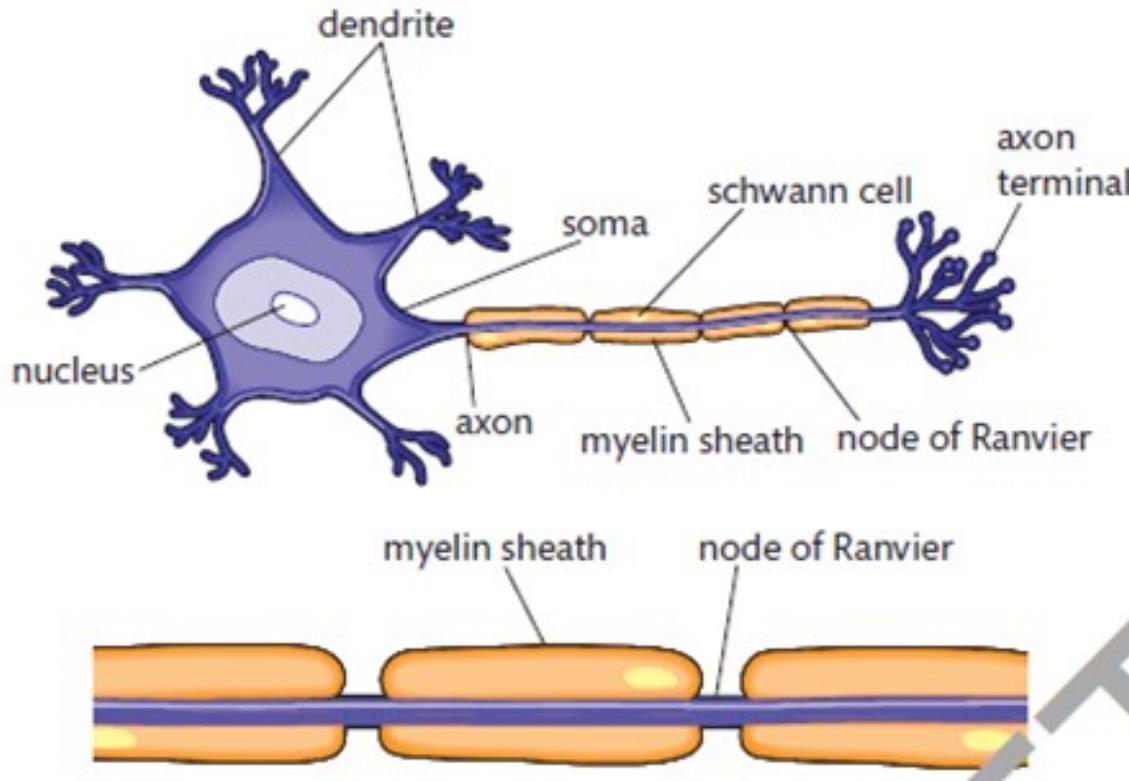
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## NERVOUS TISSUE (I)

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- The central nervous system (CNS) consists of the brain and spinal cord. It is made up of billions of non-myelinated nerve cells and longer, myelinated axons (axons with myelinated sheath) and **dendrons** that carry nerve impulses. Nervous tissue is made of nerve cells called neurons.
- Neurons are cells that receive and facilitate nerve impulses, or action potentials, across their membrane and pass them onto the next neuron. They consist of a large cell body called a soma with small projections called dendrites and an axon. The end of the axon is called the axon terminal. It is separated from the dendrite of the following neuron by a small gap called a synapse.

Q:

1. The table shows the speed of a nerve impulse in different types of axon of the same diameter.

Speed of nerve impulse/ms <sup>-1</sup>	
Myelinated axon	Unmyelinated axon
25	5

Explain the difference in the speed of the nerve impulse along these axons.

2. Explain how hyperpolarisation occurs in an axon cell.

Resting Potential	Action Potential
Resting potential is the term given to a neuron that is not transmitting an action potential and is at rest.	Fast twitch oxidative muscle fibres are similar in structure to slow twitch muscle fibres. They contain many mitochondria, myoglobin and blood capillaries, but they are able to <b>hydrolyse</b> ATP much more quickly and therefore contract quickly. They are relatively resistant to fatigue.

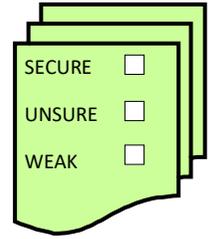
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There are several topics covered in nervous tissue. Take time to study them carefully.



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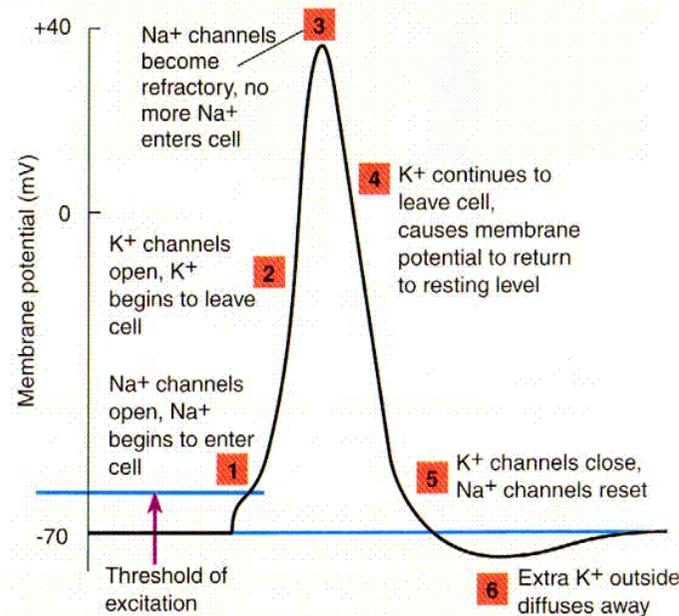
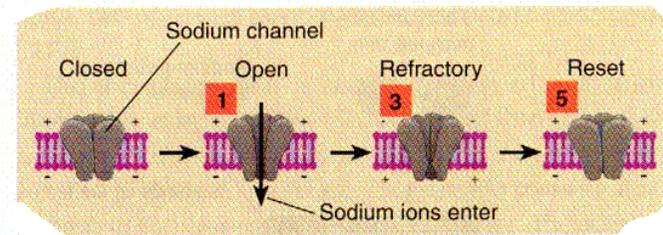


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## NERVOUS TISSUE (II)

### Resting and Action Potential

- 1 Nerve impulses are ionic imbalances that travel from one end of a neuron to the other because of a potential difference.
- 2 When a neuron is at rest, the inside of the cell is negatively charged relative to the outside.
- 3 Sodium-potassium channels pumping  $\text{Na}^+$  ions to the outside of the cell and  $\text{K}^+$  ions into the cell. The resting potential is approximately **-70mV**.
- 4 When a stimulus is applied, an action potential occurs.
- 5 Sodium channels open and the sodium ions flood into the cell. The positive sodium ions cause the resting potential of the cell to decrease – this is called **depolarisation**.
- 6 Once +40mV is reached, the  $\text{Na}^+$  channels close and the  $\text{K}^+$  channels open.  $\text{K}^+$  floods out of the cell and the charge goes back down – this is called **repolarisation**.
- 7 This process of depolarisation and repolarisation continues and the action potential moves all the way down the neuron.
- 8 To continue its journey through the nervous system, the signal needs to start an action potential in the next neuron. The two neurons will not be in direct contact, and the action potential cannot 'jump' across the synaptic cleft (gap).
- 9 As the action potential reaches the end of the first neuron,  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  channels are opened and  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  flows into the cell.
- 10 This induces vesicles containing neurotransmitters to fuse with the presynaptic membrane, and the neurotransmitters diffuse across the synaptic cleft.
- 11 The neurotransmitters move across the synapse and bind to complimentary receptors in the postsynaptic membrane.
- 12 This triggers the opening of  $\text{Na}^+$  channels, which causes depolarisation of the membrane and the start of a new action potential in the second neuron.
- 13 The neurotransmitters are then actively absorbed back into the original neuron, or an enzyme is released to break them down, stopping them from generating continuous action potentials.



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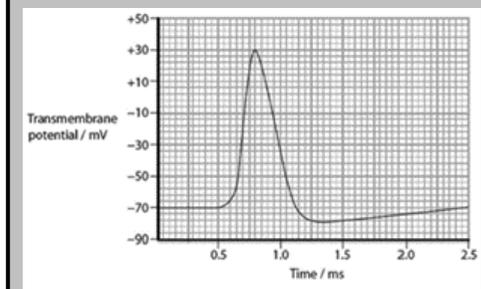
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Q:

1. Nerve impulses

are important in the control of many activities in the human body. The graph shows changes in the transmembrane potential during the transmission of a nerve impulse along the axon of a motor neurone. State the time period when depolarisation is taking place.



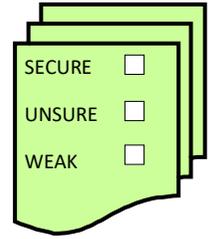
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Spend some time on learning this. Make sure you can explain the graph above fully, it has appeared on sample papers.



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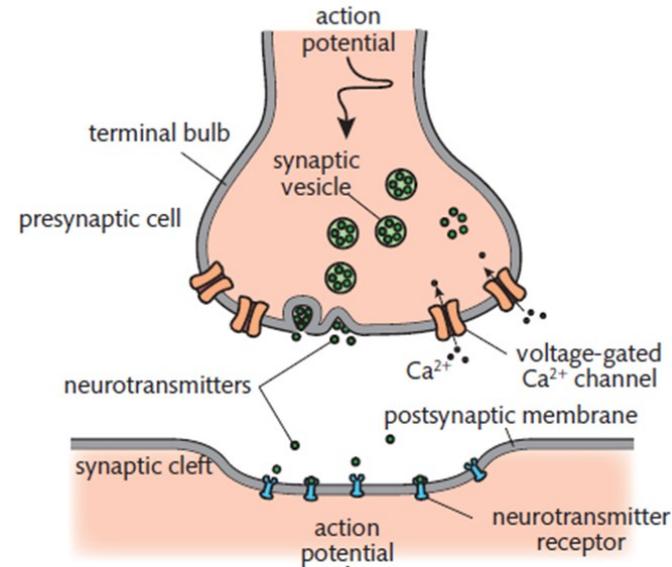


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## NERVOUS TISSUE (III)

### Synapses

- When the nerve impulse reaches the end of the neuron, it must cross a gap called a synapse to get to the next neuron or the effector cell.
- A nerve impulse crosses the synapse in the form of a chemical transmitter called a neurotransmitter.
- Neurotransmitters diffuse across the synapse and initiate an action potential in the neuron at the other side. The presynaptic neuron ends in a swelling called the synaptic bulb and it contains many mitochondria as ATP is needed.
- The neurotransmitters are stored in temporary vesicles in the synaptic bulb that can fuse with the surface to release the neurotransmitters into the synapse.
- They also contain voltage-gated calcium ion channels.



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### Problems that can occur:

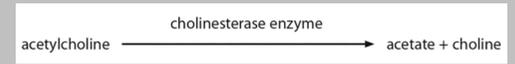
Parkinson's disease is a **genetic** disease that affects the nervous system. Parkinson's sufferers are not able to produce the naturally occurring chemical dopamine, a neurotransmitter that helps smooth and normal movements. Without this, people show symptoms of:

- slow movement
- speech problems
- tremors when moving
- poor balance

The drug, L-dopa, replaces the dopamine that is lost in people with Parkinson's disease. Serotonin is another of the body's naturally occurring neurotransmitters. It is normally active in the brain and can cause problems if it is not produced. Some forms of depression are caused by a reduced amount of serotonin in the brain.

### Q:

Nerve impulses are transmitted across synapses by neurotransmitters. The diagram shows what happens to a neurotransmitter called acetylcholine in the synaptic cleft.



Organophosphates are chemicals that prevent the cholinesterase enzyme working. When they are used as crop pesticides they can kill the small animals that feed on the crops.

1. Explain how these pesticides kill small animals.

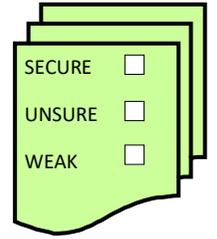
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Practice drawing a synapse and labelling each step showing how an action potential crosses.



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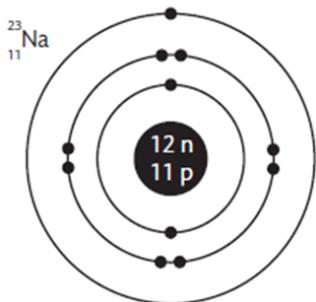
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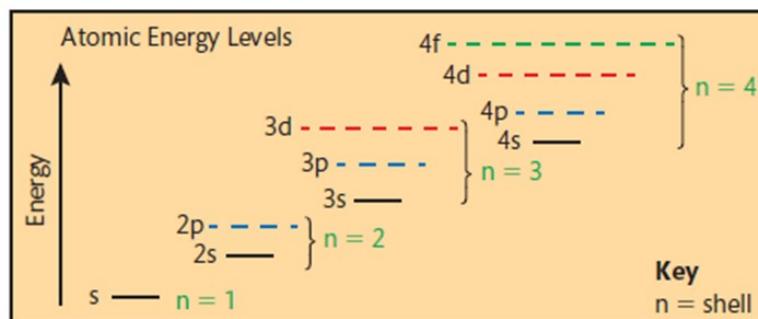
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## ELECTRONIC STRUCTURE

Sodium



Electron shell	Maximum number of electrons
1	2
2	8
3	18
4	32
5	50



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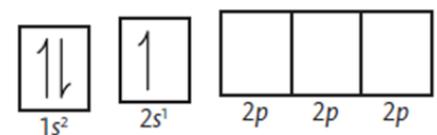
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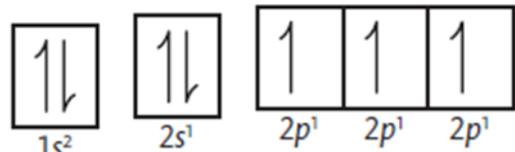
- Electrons within each shell will not have the same amount of energy and so the energy levels or shells are broken down into subshells called **orbitals**. These are called s, p, d and f orbitals. The orbitals have different energy states.
- The Aufbau principle states that electrons fill the orbital with the lowest available energy state in relation to the proximity to the nucleus before filling orbitals with higher energy states. This gives the most stable **electron configuration** possible.
- Spin** – electrons have two possible states, ‘spin up’ and ‘spin down’. In an orbital, each electron will be in a different ‘spin state’.

Half arrows are used to represent each electron in the orbitals. They are drawn facing up and down as each electron in an orbital will have a different spin

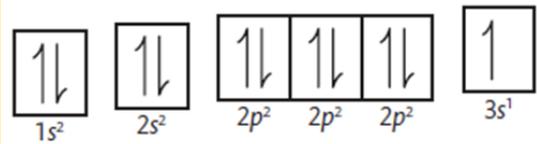
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| 1. The electrons sit in orbitals within the shell. Each orbital can hold up to two electrons. | 4. The third shell consists of 1 s-type orbital, 3 p-type orbitals and 5 d-type orbitals.  |
| 2. The first shell can hold 2 electrons in a s-type orbital.                                  | 5. Electrons fill the lowest energy level orbitals first.  |
| 3. The second shell consists of 1s-type orbital and 3 p-type orbitals.                        | 6. Where there are several orbitals of exactly the same energy (e.g. the 3 2p orbitals of the second shell), the electrons will occupy different |



Lithium (3 electrons)



Nitrogen (7 electrons)



Sodium (11 electrons)

### Q:

- Which of the following elements has this electronic structure?  
**1s2 2s2 2p2**  
A Boron  
B Carbon  
C Oxygen  
D Sulfur
- Explain the arrangement of the electrons in the third energy level of silicon.
- Explain why the first ionisation energy of silicon (789 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>) is greater than that of germanium (762 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>).

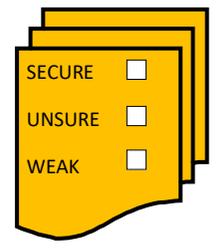
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Recap the basic structure of an atom from KS4, be able to draw the electronic configuration of atoms.



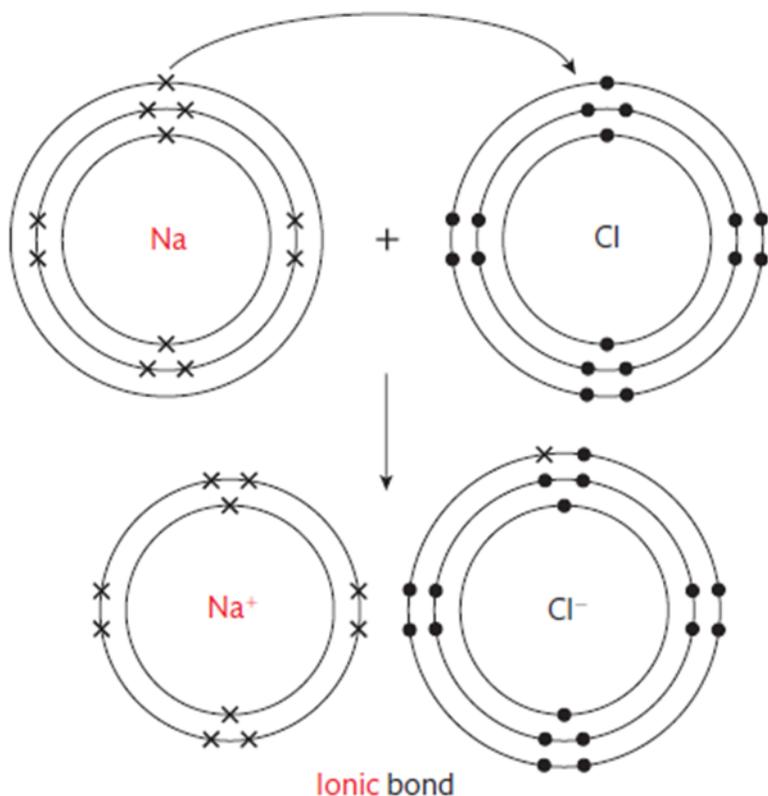


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## IONIC BONDING



- **Ionic bonding** occurs when an atom of an element loses one or more electron and donates it to an atom of a different element.
- The atom that loses electrons becomes **positively charged** and the atom that gains electron(s) become **negatively charged** because of the imbalance of protons and electrons.

- Ions containing more than one element can also be formed. For example, in sodium hydroxide,  $\text{Na}^+$  bonds with the hydroxide ion  $(\text{OH})^-$ .
- The opposite charges on the ions are what hold them together. This is **electrostatic attraction**.
- **Electrostatic attraction:** the force experienced by oppositely charged particles. It holds the particles strongly together.



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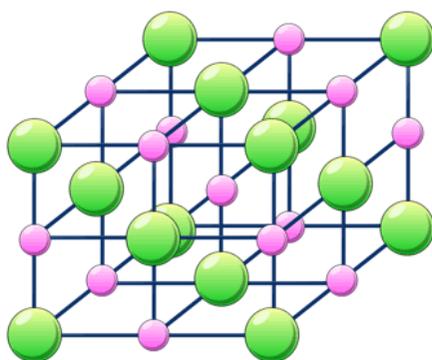
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The production of the ionic compound calcium chloride is an important industrial process. Calcium chloride has a large range of uses, for example in the pharmaceutical industry and in the food industry.

1. State the name of the force between the calcium and chloride ions.
2. Draw dot-and-cross diagrams to show the arrangement of the outer electrons in the calcium ion and the two chloride ions in calcium chloride,  $\text{CaCl}_2$ .

Draw dot and cross diagrams to show the arrangement of the **outer** electrons in the magnesium ion and the two chloride ions in magnesium chloride,  $\text{MgCl}_2$ .

- The opposite charged ions in sodium chloride form a **giant ionic lattice** where the ions are arranged in a regular pattern.
- The strength of the electrostatic force and, therefore, of the ionic bond is dependent on the **ionic charge** and the **ionic radii** of the ions.
- The more electrons a positive ion has, the more shells it will have. If an ion has more shells, then its radius will be bigger than an ion with fewer shells.
- The electrostatic force is stronger when the ionic charge is higher.



KEY  
■ Sodium ions  
■ Chloride ions

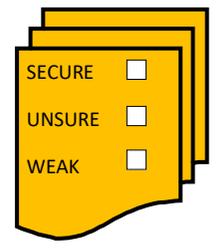
top tip

You should be able to show the bonding in  $\text{NaCl}$ ,  $\text{NaF}$ ,  $\text{Li}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{Li}_3\text{N}$  and  $\text{MgO}$ .





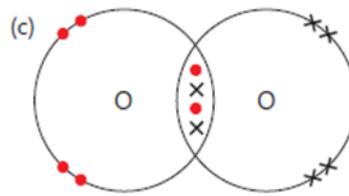
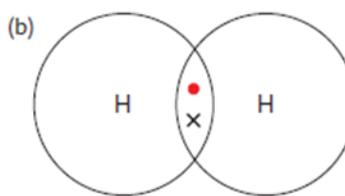
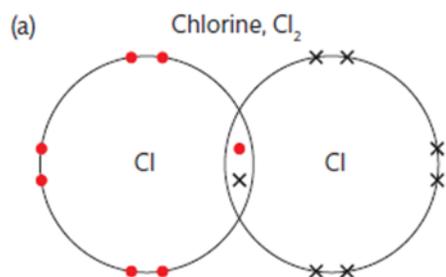
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## COVALENT BONDING

Covalent bonding usually occurs between atoms of two non-metals. A covalent bond forms when an electron is shared between the atoms. These electrons come from the top energy level of the atoms.



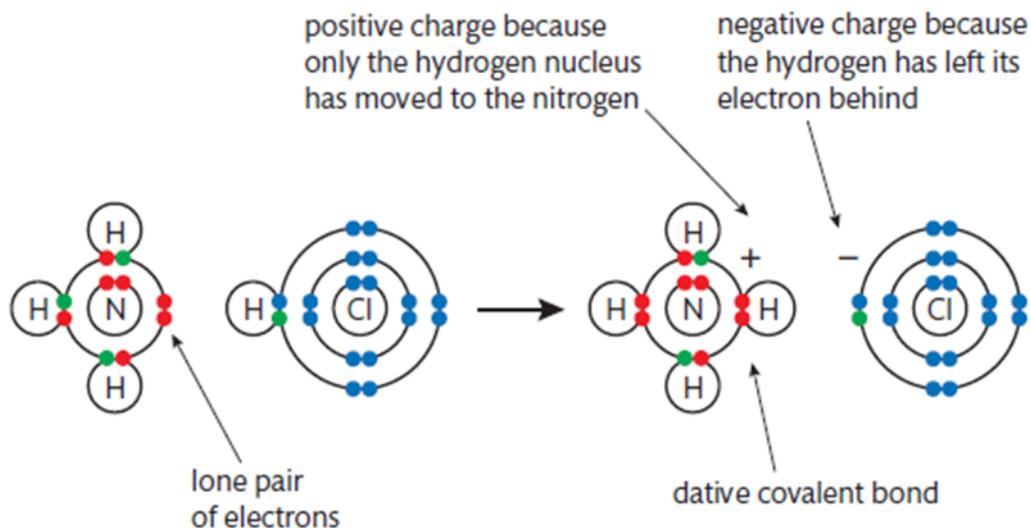
In some covalent molecules, both sharing electrons come from one atom. This is called a **dative (coordinate) covalent bond**.

Covalent bonds can be formed when atoms share more than one pair of electrons, e.g. oxygen atoms. The double bonds between the oxygen are formed by two shared pairs of electrons

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**Lone Pairs:** A lone pair is a non-binding pair of electrons.

An ammonium ion contains a dative bond. When ammonia reacts with hydrochloric acid, a hydrogen ion from the acid is transferred to the ammonia molecule. A **lone pair** of electrons on the nitrogen atom forms a dative covalent bond with the hydrogen ion.



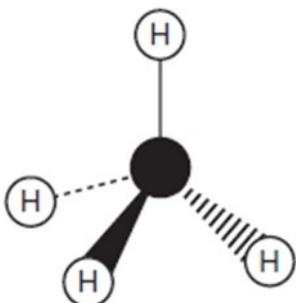
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- Using dot and cross diagrams, show covalent bonding between two oxygen atoms and in hydrochloric acid.

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You should be able to show the bonding in  $\text{CH}_4$ ,  $\text{O}_2$ ,  $\text{Cl}_2$ ,  $\text{N}_2$ .



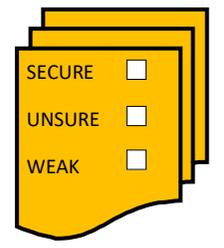
**Organic compounds** – a compound that contains one or more carbons in a carbon chain.

- Carbon makes four covalent bonds so it forms many compounds which are called **organic compounds**.
- Methane has the formula  $\text{CH}_4$ . Each carbon atom bonds covalently with four hydrogen atoms.
- These four bonds mean that methane is not a flat molecule. It has a tetrahedral structure. This is because the bonds are as separated from each other as possible, because the negative electron pairs repel each other, with each bond angle being  $109.5^\circ$ .





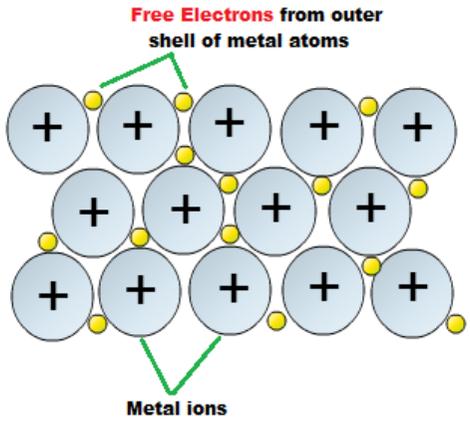
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## METALLIC BONDING

- Metals are giant structures of atoms held together by metallic bonds. The metal structure is a regular lattice.
- Metallic bonding is caused because the electrons in the highest energy level of a metal atom has the ability to become **delocalised**.
- They are free to move through the metal in a 'sea' of electrons.
- This gives the metal nuclei a positive charge which is attracted to the negative charge on the delocalised electrons.
- There is a very strong force of attraction between the positive metal nuclei and the negative delocalised electrons.



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### Nonpolar covalent bonding

Hydrogen (H<sub>2</sub> or H—H)

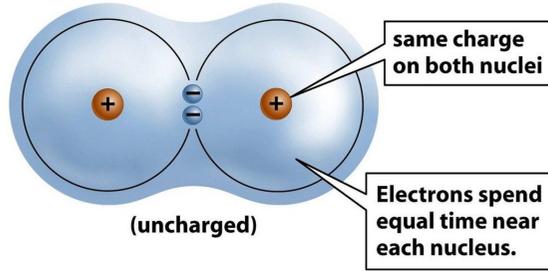
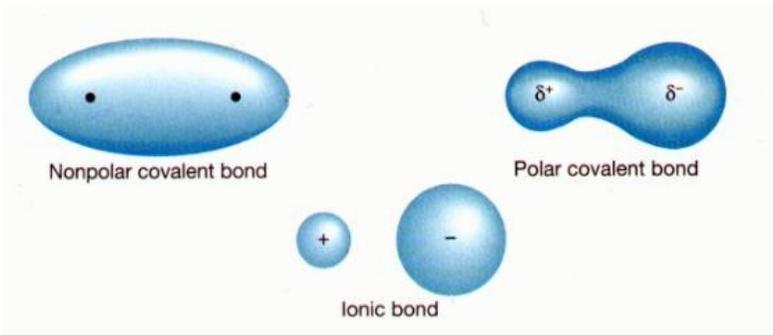


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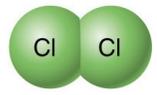
**Non-polar molecule** – a molecule where the electrons are distributed evenly throughout the molecule. E.g. covalent bonding in chlorine.

**Polar molecule** – a molecule with partial positive charge in one part of the molecule and similar negative charge in another part due to an uneven electron distribution.

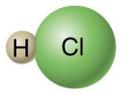


**Electronegativity**– This is the tendency of an atom to attract a bonding pair of electrons. Atoms that have similar electronegativities form covalent bonds.

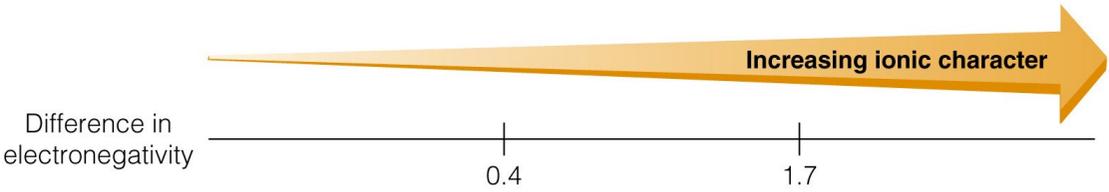
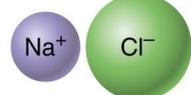
**Nonpolar covalent bonding**  
Electrons are shared equally



**Polar covalent bonding**  
Electrons are shared unequally



**Ionic bonding**  
Electrons are transferred



MY NOTES:

Q:

- Metallic bonding is caused because the electrons in the highest energy level of a metal atom has the ability to become **delocalised**. What do you understand by the term 'highest energy level'?
- Draw a full labelled diagram and write a paragraph to explain metallic bonding.

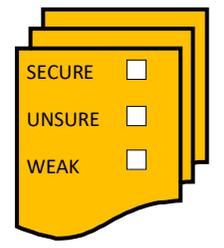
top tip

Make sure you can explain the term 'sea of electrons'.





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**Intermolecular forces** – the attraction or repulsion between neighbouring molecules. All intermolecular attractions are van der Waals forces.

Q:

Nitrogen(IV) oxide is a gas which dissolves in water in the atmosphere to form acid rain.

Electronegativity of nitrogen 3.006

Electronegativity of oxygen 3.610

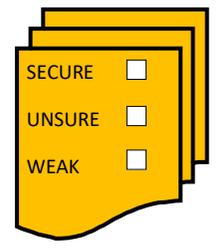
1. Explain the **two** types of intermolecular force that exist in nitrogen(IV) oxide.

London Dispersion Forces	Dipole-dipole Forces	Hydrogen Bonding
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>London dispersion forces are also called <b>temporary dipole</b> – induced dipole forces.</li> <li>They are weak forces present between non-polar covalent molecules.</li> <li>When the electron distribution in a molecule becomes non-symmetrical (i.e. there are more electrons at one end of the molecule than the other) then one end of the molecule can become more positive and one end can become more negative.</li> <li>This causes a temporary dipole. The positive and negative charge in the dipole can disturb the electrons in a nearby molecule, repelling the electrons and so causing (inducing) a dipole in that molecule.</li> <li>The molecule with the temporary dipole and the molecule with the induced dipole attract each other and pull the molecules together.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>These are permanent forces between polar molecules.</li> <li>Polar molecules have a permanent negative end and a permanent positive end.</li> <li>These oppositely charged end attract each other.</li> <li>Dipole-dipole forces are slightly stronger than London dispersion forces but are still weak in comparison to a covalent bond.</li> <li>Molecules that have permanent dipole-dipole forces include hydrogen chloride, HCl, and iodine monochloride, ICl.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The strongest form of intermolecular force.</li> <li>These are a special type of dipole-dipole bond and are forces that are about 10% the strength of a covalent bond.</li> <li>Hydrogen bonds will form when compounds have hydrogen directly bonded to fluorine, oxygen or nitrogen.</li> <li>When two of these molecules are close together, there will be an attraction between the positive end of one and the lone pair of electrons of the other. This is a hydrogen bond.</li> <li>This is different to other dipole-dipole forces because there are inner bonding electrons.</li> <li>The single electron in the hydrogen atom is drawn to the nitrogen, oxygen or fluorine atom.</li> </ul>





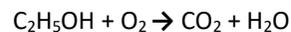
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## Balancing Equations

There are several different methods to balance a chemical equation. Your teacher may have shown you a different method from the one described below. Use whichever method suits you best!



Balancing Chemical Equations		
1	Split the equation in half by drawing a line through the arrow.	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$
2	Circle each element individually to make them easier to count (remember to circle the numbers after each element).	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$
3	Now count the number of atoms on the left and compare with the right. If the numbers match place a tick above them.	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ <p>In this case, only the oxygen balance as there are 3 on the left and 3 on the right.</p>
4	Now starting ADDING atoms so that the equation balances. Remember if you add 1 atom in a molecule, you must add the entire molecule.	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$

5	Now count up everything you have added and place the total number in front.	
6	Rewrite the final equation with final numbers.	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH} + 3\text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{CO}_2 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$

Q:

Aluminium corrodes quickly in air to form a thin protective aluminium oxide layer that prevents further oxidation. This protective layer makes it suitable for use in drink cans.

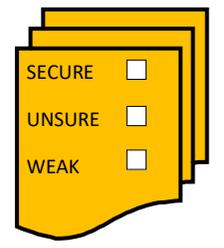
- Write the balanced equation for the reaction of aluminium in air to form aluminium oxide.

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Use a technique to balance equations that you are familiar with.



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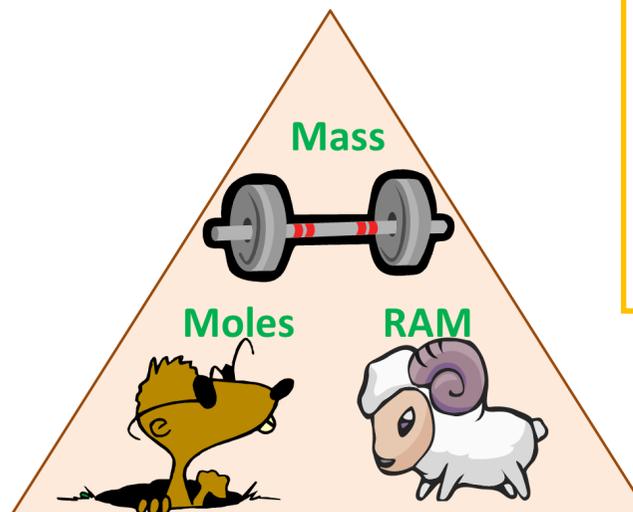
## QUANTITIES USED IN CHEMISTRY (II)

## Moles, Molar Masses and Molarities

- Chemical equations allow you to work out the masses of the reactants you need to use in order to get a specific mass of product.
- One mole of a chemical means there are  $6.023 \times 10^{23}$  particles (Avogadro's constant).
- A mole is the amount of a substance which has the same number of particles as there are atoms in 12 g of carbon-12.
- So one mole of carbon dioxide has the same number of particles as one mole of gold. The **molar mass** of a substance is equal to the mass of one mole of a substance.
- **Mole = Mass  $\div$   $M_r$**



$A_r$	$M_r$
The relative atomic mass ( $A_r$ ) of an element on the periodic table tells you how much mass there is in one mole of the <b>element</b> .	The relative formula mass is the sum of all the relative atomic masses of all the atoms in the empirical formula (simplest formula) of a <b>compound</b> ( $M_r$ ).
E.g. $A_r$ of H = 1 $A_r$ of O = 16	E.g. $M_r$ of $H_2O = (1 \times 2) + 16 = 18$ $M_r$ of $O_2 = 2 \times 16 = 32$



MY NOTES:

Q:

1. Calculate the number of moles (to 2dp) in...
  - A. 13g of Na
  - B. 26g of Mg
  - C. 46g of Ca
2. Calculate the mass of ...
  - A. 2 moles of Li
  - B. 3.5 moles of C
  - C. 0.3 moles of S

What is the number of moles in 20 g of sodium hydroxide, NaOH?

Number of moles = mass/ $M_r$

For sodium hydroxide  $M_r = 23 + 16 + 1 = 40$

Number of moles =  $20 \div 40 = 0.5$  moles

What is the number of moles in 136.5 g of potassium?

Number of moles of an element = mass/ $A_r$

For potassium  $A_r = 39$

Number of moles =  $136.5 \div 39 = 3.5$  moles

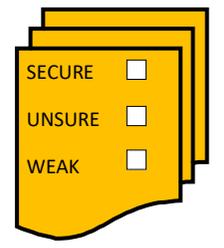
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Practice makes perfect when calculating moles. You will find plenty of exercises online to improve your skills.





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Empirical Formula	Molecular Formula																				
This shows the ratio between elements in a chemical compound. It is useful when discussing giant structures such as sodium chloride. The empirical formula of a compound can be calculated from the masses of each element in the compound.	Molecular formulae are used for simple molecules. To work out the molecular formula you need to know the empirical formula and the relative molecular mass.																				
Suppose 3.2g of sulfur reacts with oxygen to produce 6.4g of sulfur oxide. What is the formula of the oxide? Use the fact that the $A_r$ of sulfur is 32 and the $A_r$ of oxygen is 16. <b>Steps to calculation the formula of a compound</b>	E.g the <b>empirical formula</b> of a hydrocarbon is $\text{CH}_2$ and its $M_r$ is 42. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the mass of the atoms in the empirical formula is 14</li> <li><math>42 \div 14 = 3</math></li> <li>so you need to multiply the numbers in the empirical formula by 3</li> </ul> The <b>molecular formula</b> of the hydrocarbon is therefore $\text{C}_3\text{H}_6$ .																				
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## MY NOTES:

Q:

1. An oxide of carbon contains 27% carbon and 73% oxygen. What is its empirical formula?
2. Fluorspar is made of calcium and fluorine. If 51% is calcium, calculate the empirical formula.
3. 1.68g of iron is combined with 0.48g of oxygen. What is the empirical formula of the new compound?

Example: A compound contains 75% carbon and 25% hydrogen. What is its empirical formula?

	C	H
Amount	75	25
Convert to moles ( $/M_r$ )	$/12 = 6.25$	$/1 = 25$
Calculate mole ratio (divide by smallest number)	$6.25/6.25$	$25/6.25$
	= 1	= 4
Empirical formula	C	$\text{H}_4$

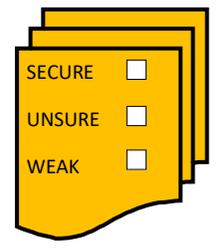
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You will find several worksheets and worked examples for this topic online.





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## QUANTITIES USED IN CHEMISTRY (IV)

Number of moles ( $N$ ) = molarity ( $C$ ) x volume of solution ( $V$ ) ( $\text{dm}^3$ )

$$N = CV$$

How many moles of hydrochloric acid are there in  $100 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $1\text{M}$  hydrochloric acid solution?

Number of moles ( $N$ ) = molarity ( $C$ ) x volume of solution ( $V$ ) ( $\text{dm}^3$ )

$$N = CV$$

The volume is given in  $\text{cm}^3$  so this needs to be converted into  $\text{dm}^3$  by dividing by 1000. (Remember  $1 \text{ dm}^3 = 1000 \text{ cm}^3$ )

$$\text{number of moles} = \frac{100}{1000} \times 1 = 0.1 \text{ mol}$$

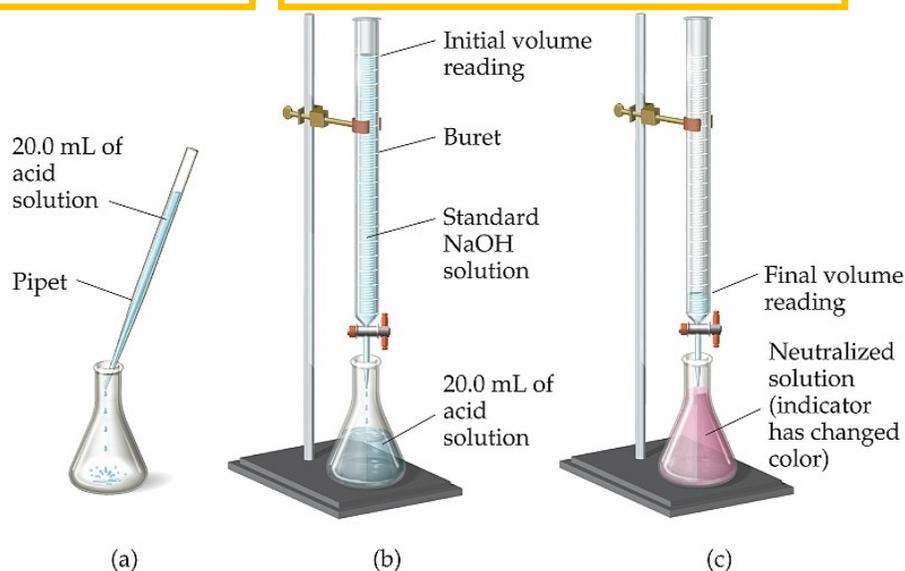
What is the concentration of a sample of sodium hydroxide solution if  $10 \text{ dm}^3$  contains  $0.5 \text{ mol}$ ?

Number of moles ( $N$ ) = molarity ( $C$ ) x volume of solution ( $V$ ) ( $\text{dm}^3$ )

$$N = CV$$

$$0.5 = C \times 10$$

$$C = \frac{0.5}{10} = 0.05\text{M}$$



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## KEYWORDS

**Titration** – a method of volumetric analysis used to calculate the concentration of a solution.

**Solution** – a liquid mixture where a solute is dissolved in a solvent

**Standard solution** – a solution of known concentration used in volumetric analysis.

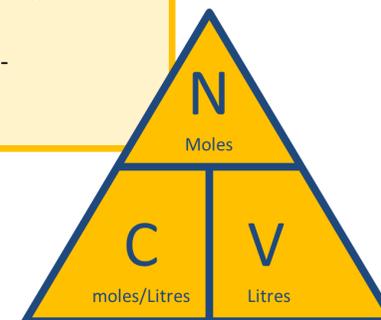
**Solute** – the substance dissolved in a solvent to form a solution.

**Solvent** – a liquid that dissolves another substance.

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Q:

1. What volume in  $\text{cm}^3$  of  $2\text{M}$  sulfuric acid solution would you need to ensure you had a sample containing  $0.05 \text{ mol}$ ?

2. Calculate the number of moles of  $\text{HCl}$  in  $20 \text{ cm}^3$  of a  $2 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  solution of  $\text{HCl}(\text{aq})$ .

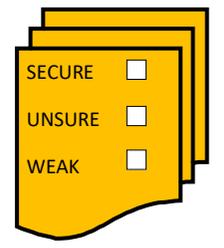
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Look at the diagram to the right, can you outline the steps involved in a titration?





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## QUANTITIES USED IN CHEMISTRY (V)

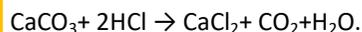
**Stoichiometry** – involves using the relationships between the reactants and the products in a chemical reaction to work out how much product will be produced from given amounts of reactants.

Calculate the expected mass of calcium chloride produced when 50 g of calcium carbonate is reacted with excess hydrochloric acid.

Ar (H) = 1, Ar (C) = 12, Ar (O) = 16, Ar (Cl) = 35.5, Ar (Ca) = 40

One mole of  $\text{CaCO}_3$  produces one mole of  $\text{CaCl}_2$ .

You know this from the balanced equation



This shows a one to one (1:1) ratio.

Add up the relative atomic masses for each compound.

$40 + 12 + (3 \times 16) \text{ g} = 100 \text{ g}$  of  $\text{CaCO}_3$  produces  $40 + (35.5 \times 2) \text{ g} = 111 \text{ g}$  of  $\text{CaCl}_2$ .

As one mole of  $\text{CaCO}_3$  produces one mole of  $\text{CaCl}_2$  then

100 g  $\text{CaCO}_3$  produces 111 g  $\text{CaCl}_2$ .

In this case, only 50 g of  $\text{CaCO}_3$  was used so

50 g  $\text{CaCO}_3$  produces  $\frac{111}{100} \times 50 \text{ g}$   $\text{CaCl}_2$ .

50 g  $\text{CaCO}_3$  produces 55.5 g  $\text{CaCl}_2$ .

You could say that only  $\frac{1}{2}$  a mole of  $\text{CaCO}_3$  was used so therefore only half the amount of  $\text{CaCl}_2$  would be produced and this would give the same answer of 55.5 g.

This is the theoretical mass.

## STATE SYMBOLS

A solid substance is indicated by (s)

A solution is indicated by (aq)

A liquid is indicated by (l)

A gas is indicated by (g)

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## MY NOTES:

Q:

1. Calculate the expected mass of water if 10 g of oxygen is reacted with excess hydrogen.
2. When 50 g of calcium carbonate is reacted with excess hydrochloric acid solution to make calcium chloride, the theoretical yield is 55 g. When the reaction was carried out, only 44 g of calcium chloride was produced. Calculate the percentage yield of calcium chloride.

top tip

Video Clip: <https://www.khanacademy.org/science/chemistry/chemical-reactions-stoichiome/stoichiometry-ideal/v/>

**Theoretical mass** – the expected amount of product from a reaction calculated from the balanced equation.

**Percentage yield** – the actual amount of yield worked out as a percentage of the theoretical yield.

The formula for calculating percentage yield is:

$$\text{Percentage yield} = \frac{\text{actual number of moles}}{\text{expected number of moles}} \times 100\%$$

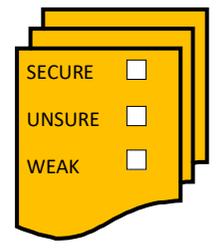
It can also be calculated as:

$$\text{Percentage yield} = \frac{\text{actual mass}}{\text{theoretical mass}} \times 100\%$$





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# THE PERIODIC TABLE

period

group

**Period 1:** Contains hydrogen and helium. Both are gases. The electrons in these two elements fill the 1s orbital. Helium only has two electrons and, chemically, helium is unreactive. Hydrogen readily loses or gains an electron, and so can behave chemically as both a group 1 and a group 7 element. Hydrogen can form compounds with most elements and is the most abundant chemical element in the universe.

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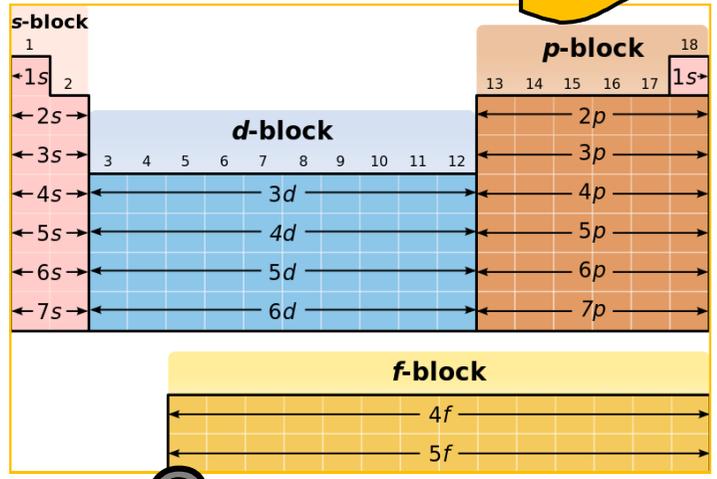
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1 H Hydrogen 1.00794	2 He Helium 4.002602																
3 Li Lithium 6.941	4 Be Beryllium 9.012182																
11 Na Sodium 22.98976928	12 Mg Magnesium 24.304																
19 K Potassium 39.0983	20 Ca Calcium 40.078	21 Sc Scandium 44.955912	22 Ti Titanium 47.887	23 V Vanadium 50.9415	24 Cr Chromium 51.9961	25 Mn Manganese 54.938044	26 Fe Iron 55.845	27 Co Cobalt 58.933195	28 Ni Nickel 58.6934	29 Cu Copper 63.546	30 Zn Zinc 65.38	31 Ga Gallium 69.723	32 Ge Germanium 72.64	33 As Arsenic 74.9216	34 Se Selenium 78.96	35 Br Bromine 79.904	36 Kr Krypton 83.796
37 Rb Rubidium 85.4678	38 Sr Strontium 87.62	39 Y Yttrium 88.90584	40 Zr Zirconium 91.224	41 Nb Niobium 92.90638	42 Mo Molybdenum 95.94	43 Tc Technetium (97.9072)	44 Ru Ruthenium 101.07	45 Rh Rhodium 102.90550	46 Pd Palladium 106.42	47 Ag Silver 107.8682	48 Cd Cadmium 112.411	49 In Indium 114.818	50 Sn Tin 118.710	51 Sb Antimony 121.757	52 Te Tellurium 127.60	53 I Iodine 126.90545	54 Xe Xenon 131.29
55 Cs Cesium 132.9054519	56 Ba Barium 137.327	57-71															
87 Fr Francium (223)	88 Ra Radium (226)	89-103															

For elements with no stable isotopes, the mass number of the isotope with the longest half-life is in parentheses.

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57 La Lanthanum 138.9047	58 Ce Cerium 140.118	59 Pr Praseodymium 140.90768	60 Nd Neodymium 144.242	61 Pm Promethium (145)	62 Sm Samarium 150.36	63 Eu Europium 151.964	64 Gd Gadolinium 157.25	65 Tb Terbium 158.92534	66 Dy Dysprosium 162.50	67 Ho Holmium 164.93032	68 Er Erbium 167.258	69 Tm Thulium 168.93421	70 Yb Ytterbium 173.054	71 Lu Lutetium 174.967
89 Ac Actinium (227)	90 Th Thorium 232.0376	91 Pa Protactinium 231.03688	92 U Uranium 238.02891	93 Np Neptunium (237)	94 Pu Plutonium (244)	95 Am Americium (243)	96 Cm Curium (247)	97 Bk Berkelium (247)	98 Cf Californium (251)	99 Es Einsteinium (252)	100 Fm Fermium (257)	101 Md Mendelevium (258)	102 No Nobelium (259)	103 Lr Lawrencium (260)



1. Explain why calcium is an s block element.
2. An element has the electronic configuration  $1s^2 2s^1$ . Identify which period the element is in.
3. Complete the electronic configuration for an atom of sodium.  
 $1s^2, 2s^2, \dots$

**Period 2:** Contains eight elements, lithium, beryllium, boron, carbon, nitrogen, oxygen, fluorine and neon. The outer electrons in these elements fill the 2s and 2p orbitals. Nitrogen, oxygen and fluorine can all form diatomic molecules. Neon is a noble gas. Carbon is a giant molecular structure.

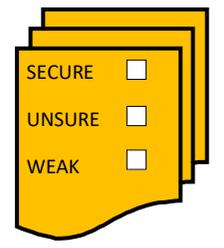
**Period 3:** Contains eight elements, sodium, magnesium, aluminium, silicon, phosphorus, sulfur, chlorine and argon. The outer electrons in these elements fill the 3s and 3p orbitals.

**Period 4:** Contains 18 elements, from potassium to krypton. The first row of the transition elements is in this period. The outer electrons on these elements fill the 4s, 4p and 3d orbitals.





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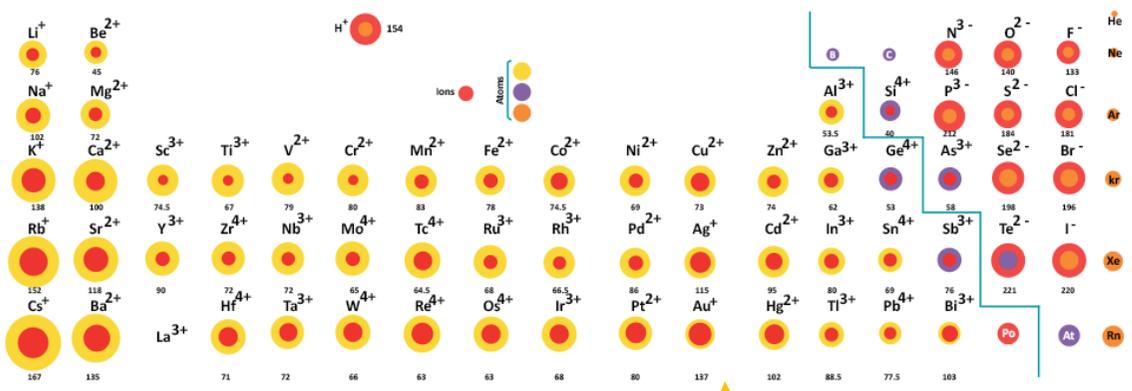
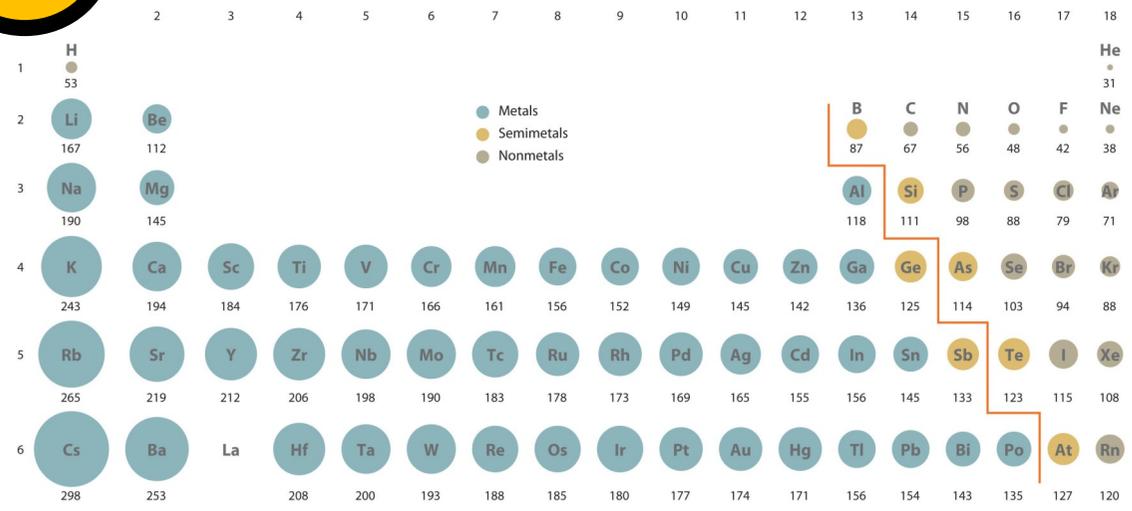
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## PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF ELEMENTS (I)

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**Atomic Radius:** The radius of an atom changes depending on what is around it.

- **The atomic radius decreases across the period from left to right.** Across the group, more protons and electrons are added. However, the extra electrons are added to the same s and p sub-shells and so the size does not increase. The extra protons increase nuclear charge. The increased nuclear charge attracts the extra electrons and pulls them closer to the nucleus. This leads to a decrease in atomic radius.
- **As you go down a group the atomic radii increases.** This is because the extra electrons are added to additional shells and so the radius increases. Although nuclear charge increases, the number of inner shells increases and so the nuclear charge is shielded more. This means that the atomic radius increases.

**KEYWORDS**

**Isoelectronic** – having the same numbers of electrons.

**Cations** – ions with a positive charge.

**Anions** – ions with a negative charge.

**Q:**

1. Explain the trends in atomic radius as you move across a period from left to right.
2. Outline the trends in the ionic radii of cations and anions moving across a period from left to right.

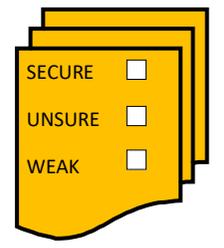
**Ionic Radius:** The trends in ionic radius down a group follow a similar pattern to the trend for atomic radius down a group. This is because extra electrons are added to extra shells as you go down the group therefore giving a larger size.

- **Cations** have a smaller radius than their corresponding atom. As you go across a period, the cations all have the same electronic structure. They are **isoelectronic**, therefore although number of electrons remains the same, the nuclear charge increases, for example, Na<sup>+</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup>, Al<sup>3+</sup>. However, the number of protons increases across the period. This pulls the electrons more strongly to the centre of the ion so the ionic radii of the cations decreases as you go across the period.
- **Anions** have a larger radius than the corresponding atom because there is more repulsion between the extra electrons. As you go across the period, the anions are all isoelectronic, for example, N<sup>3-</sup>, O<sup>2-</sup>, F<sup>-</sup>. They have more electrons not fewer. The number of protons still increases as you go across the period whilst the number of shells and electrons stays the same so the ionic radius of the anions also decreases as you go across the period.





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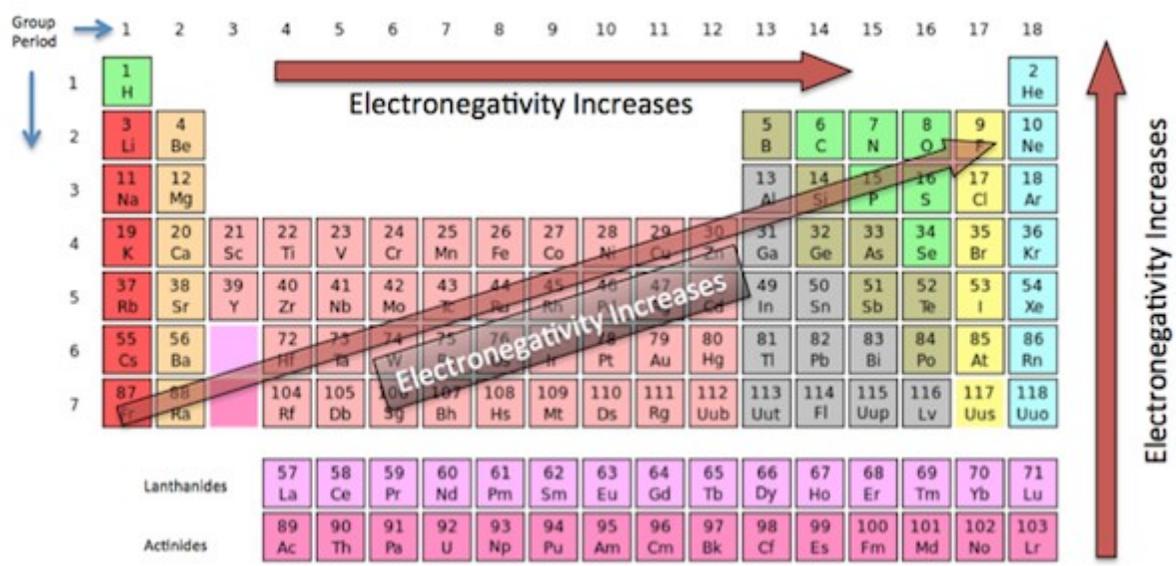
## PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF ELEMENTS (II)

**Electronegativity** is a measure of the tendency of an atom to attract a bonding pair of electrons. It increases as you go across a period. It decreases as you go down a group.

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Fluorine is the most electronegative element

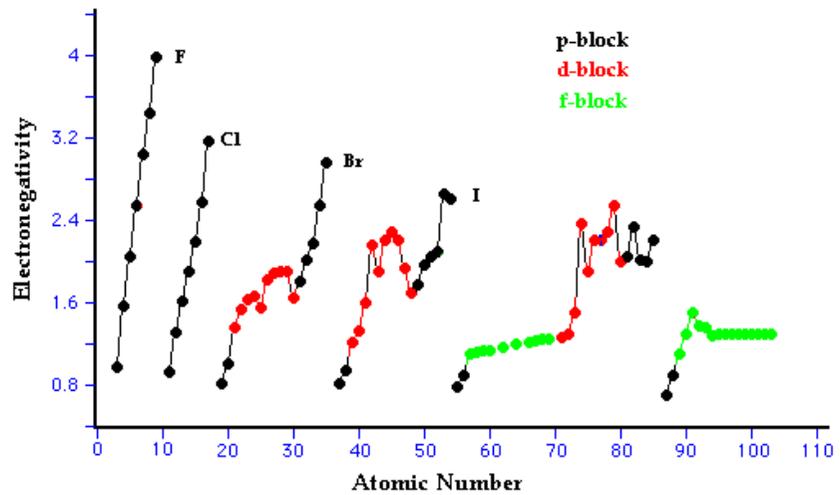
- Electronegativity depends on:
- the number of protons in the nucleus
  - the distance from the nucleus of the bonding pair of electrons
  - how much shielding there is from inner electrons

Electronegativity Trend

The Group 0 gases such as argon that do not form bonds do not have electronegativity that can be reliably determined, because they do not form compounds/bonds.

top tip

Make sure you can interpret the graph to the right and explain why electronegativity changes.



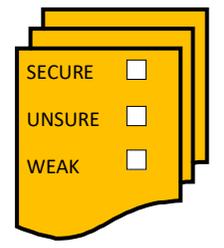
Q:

1. State the meaning of the term electronegativity.
2. Describe the trends in electronegativity in the periods and groups of the periodic table.
3. State the **three** factors that affect the electronegativity of an element.

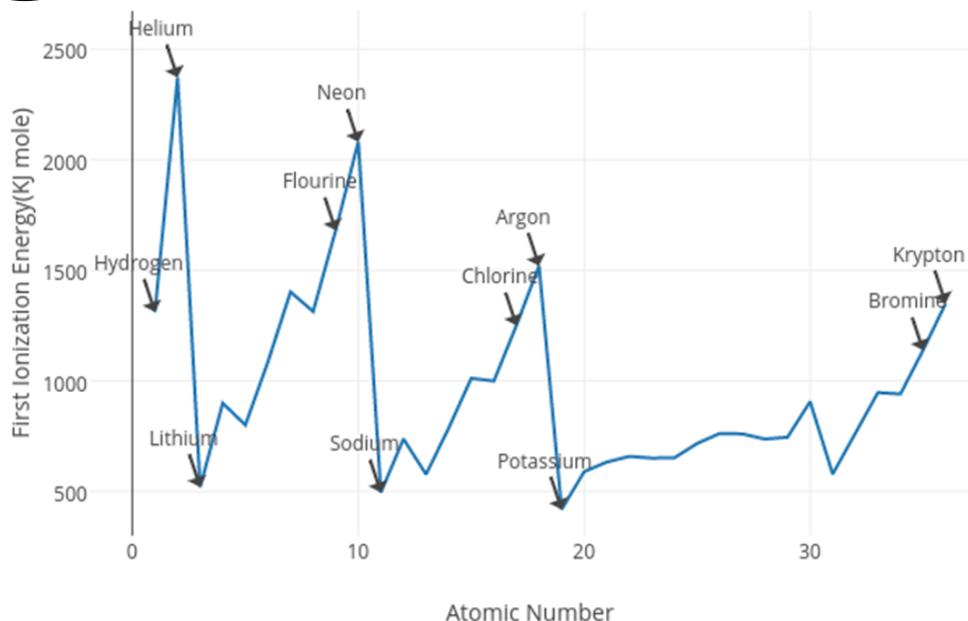




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# PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF ELEMENTS (III)



**First ionisation energy** is the minimum energy needed for one mole of the outermost electrons to be removed from one mole of atoms in a gaseous state.

It takes more energy to remove an electron as you go across the period. This is because the number of protons increase across the period so the positive charge on the nucleus increases. This means that the force of attraction pulling on the outer electron increases. However, you can see there is not a steady increase in first ionisation energy. There is a pattern in the dips and increases for each period.

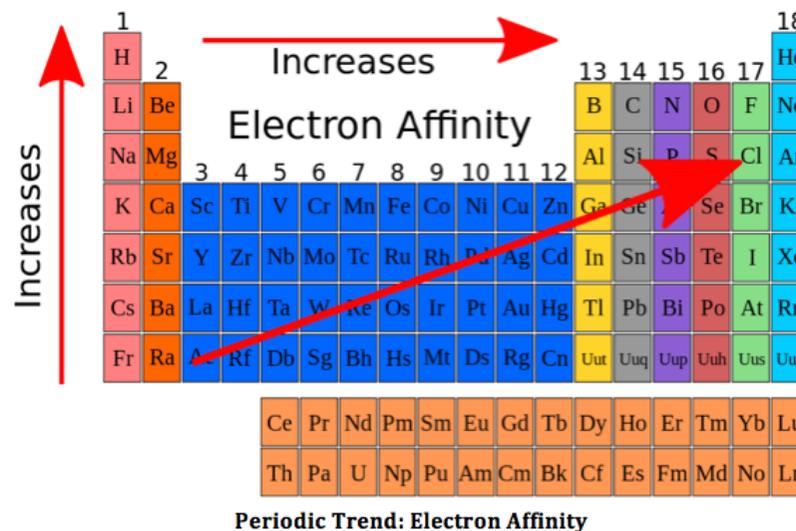
**Periodicity** – the repeating pattern seen by the elements in the periodic table.

**First ionisation energy** – the energy needed for one mole of electrons to be removed from one gaseous atoms.

**Electron affinity** – the change in energy when one mole of a gaseous atom gains one mole of electrons to form a negative ion.



**Electron affinity** can be simply defined as an atom's ability to gain an electron and become a negative ion. It is the change in energy ( $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$ ) of a neutral gaseous atom when an electron is added to the atom to form a negative ion.



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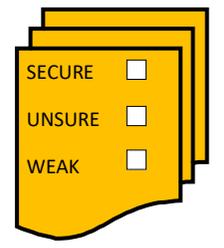
Period 3 elements bond with oxygen to form oxides. The type of bonding in these oxides depends on the electronegativity of each element in the oxide. The table shows the electronegativity of some period 3 elements, as well as for oxygen. Explain how bonding in the oxides of elements in period 3 changes across the period.

element	electronegativity of element
magnesium	1.31
silicon	1.90
sulfur	2.58
oxygen	3.44

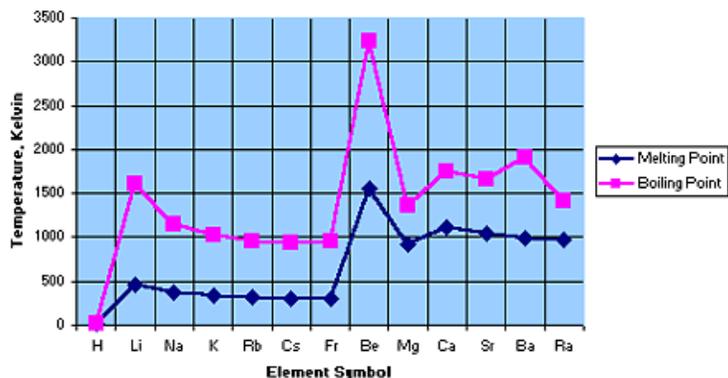




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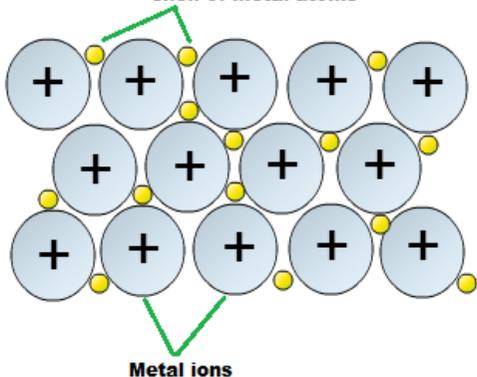
Melting and Boiling Points: Groups 1 and 2



Metallic bonding allows for electrical conductivity through a solid or liquid metal. The **delocalised electrons** carry the electric charge.

The delocalised electrons in metals also absorb heat energy which gives them kinetic energy. This energy is then transferred through the metal by these electrons. Metals are good thermal conductors.

Free Electrons from outer shell of metal atoms



Metal ions

top tip

Evaluate how type of bonding, intermolecular forces and molecule size affects the melting point in elements in period 3 and groups 2 and 6.

The elements in the periodic table also show periodicity for **melting and boiling points**. Melting and boiling points depend on the strength of the forces between the atoms in an element.

- Going down group 1, the melting and boiling points decrease. This means that the forces of attraction get weaker.
- The melting and boiling points increase as you go down group 7. This means that the forces of attraction get stronger.
- When an element melts, energy is used to overcome some of the attractive forces holding the atoms or molecules of the element together.
- When an element boils, most of the rest of the attractive forces are broken.
- The stronger the forces between the atoms, the higher the melting and boiling point will be.



Copper



Lead



Tin



Nickel



Steel



Zinc

**Malleable** – can be hammered into shape with breaking.

**Ductile** – can be hammered thin or stretched into wires without breaking.

Q:

Most metals have high melting and boiling points. The table shows the melting and boiling points of three metals: sodium, magnesium and potassium.

1. Discuss the different melting and boiling points of the three metals and the trends they show.

Metal	Group	Melting points/ $^{\circ}$ C	Boiling points/ $^{\circ}$ C
Sodium	1	97.72	883
Magnesium	2	650	1090
Potassium	1	63.38	759

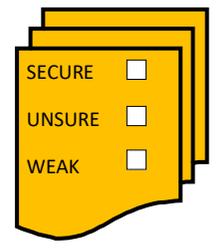
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	Oxygen	Water	Dilute Hydrochloric Acid	Dilute Sulfuric Acid
<b>Group 1</b>	react rapidly with oxygen	react with water and produce a basic solution $2M(s) + 2H_2O(l) \rightarrow 2M+(aq) + 2OH^-(aq) + H_2(g)$	Metals above copper in the reactivity series can react with dilute acids to form metal salts $Mg + 2HCl \rightarrow MgCl_2 + H_2$	
<b>Group 2</b>	burn in oxygen or air to form metal oxides $2M + O_2 \rightarrow 2MO$	produce hydroxides in the reaction with water $M(s) + 2H_2O(l) \rightarrow M(OH)_2(aq) + H_2(g)$	$Mg + H_2SO_4 \rightarrow MgSO_4 + H_2$  $Na + 2HCl \rightarrow 2NaCl + H_2$	
<b>Group 3</b>	react with oxygen $4M + 3 O_2 \rightarrow 2M_2O_3$	not very reactive with water		

**KEYWORDS**

**Oxidation** – loss of electrons from an atom/ion.

**Basic solution** – a solution with a pH above 7.

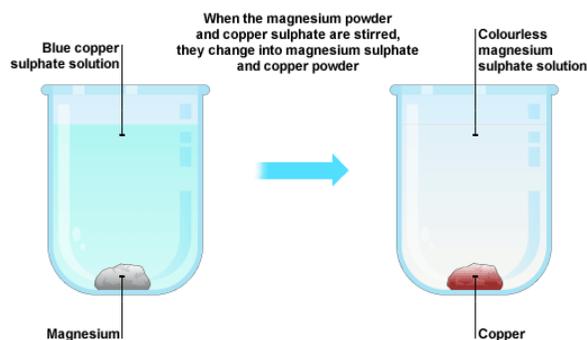
**Allotropes** – two or more different physical forms that an element can exist in e.g. graphite and diamond are allotropes of carbon.

**Amphoteric** – substance that can act as both an acid and a base.



The **reactivity series** is a list of metals in order of how reactive they are with oxygen, acids and water.

- The higher a metal is in the series, the more reactive it is.
- This is because it has a higher tendency to lose an electron and form a complete outer shell.
- The more reactive a metal is, the more difficult it is to extract from its ore and the more likely it is to be found in a compound.



A metal will displace a less reactive metal in a metal salt solution.

potassium	most reactive	K
sodium		Na
calcium		Ca
magnesium		Mg
aluminium		Al
carbon		C
zinc		Zn
iron		Fe
tin		Sn
lead		Pb
hydrogen		H
copper		Cu
silver		Ag
gold		Au
platinum	least reactive	Pt

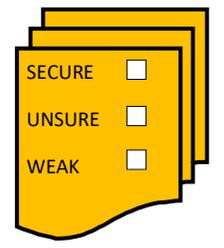
Industrial chemists have to understand the chemistry of oxides. For example, silicon dioxide is used in glass making and carbon monoxide is used in the extraction of iron from iron ore.

1. Explain how burning carbon in air can lead to the formation of carbon monoxide.
2. Write the balanced equation for the reaction between silicon and oxygen.



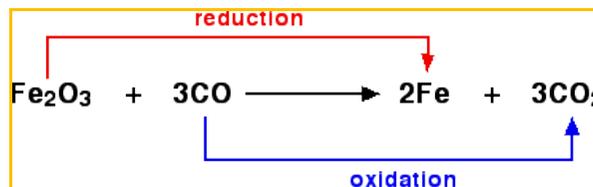
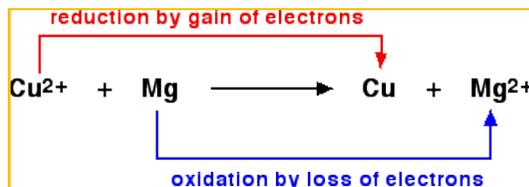


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## CHEMICAL PROPERTIES OF ELEMENTS (II)

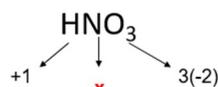


An atom becomes an ion when it loses or gains an electron or electrons. The term **redox** refers to the transfer of electrons that occurs during chemical reactions.

When atoms of an element lose electrons, it is called **oxidation**.

When electrons are gained, it is called **reduction**.

Deduce the ox state of nitrogen in HNO<sub>3</sub>

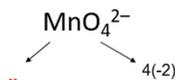


$$\text{Sum} = (+1) + \text{x} + 3(-2) = 0 \quad (\text{neutral compound})$$

$$+1 + \text{x} - 6 = 0$$

$$\therefore \text{x} = 5 \quad \text{nitric(V) acid}$$

Deduce the ox state of manganese in MnO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>



$$\text{Sum} = \text{x} + 4(-2) = -2 \quad (\text{overall charge on ion} = -2)$$

$$\text{x} - 8 = -2$$

$$\therefore \text{x} = +6 \quad \text{manganate(VI)}$$

this is a green ion  
different from the purple MnO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> manganate(VII)

# OILRIG

Oxidation Is Loss (of electrons),

Reduction Is Gain (of electrons).

## KEYWORDS

**Redox** – the transfer of electrons during chemical reactions.

**Half equation** – an equation that shows the loss or gain of electrons during a reaction

## Assigning Oxidation States

1	The oxidation state of an atom in an element is always zero. For example, in sodium, Na, it is 0 and in O <sub>2</sub> , oxygen, it is 0.
2	The oxidation state in an element or its ion is always its charge, including for polyatomic ions
3	The oxidation state of fluorine in a compound is always -1 as it is the most electronegative element.
4	The oxidation state of oxygen is nearly always -2 (except in peroxides and FO, where it is -1, +1).
5	The oxidation state of chlorine in a compound is usually -1 unless bonded with F or O.
6	The oxidation state of hydrogen is +1 unless bonded to a metal when it is -1. Group 1 metals are +1, group 2 metals are +2, and aluminium is +3.
7	The sum of oxidation states in a compound is always 0. In polyatomic ions, the sum of the oxidation state of each element in the formula is the overall charge.

## Q:

1. Work out the oxidation state of chlorine in the following compounds:

- HCl
- HClO
- NaClO<sub>2</sub>
- ClO<sub>3</sub>
- ClO<sub>2</sub>
- Cl<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>

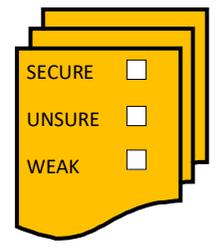
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Practice constructing half equations, you will find several worksheets online.





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Waves generally start with a disturbance.

Waves transfer energy from one place to another, but without causing any net movement of material.

The energy transfer depends on the way an initial oscillating system is connected to its surroundings.

### Wave Speed

$$v = f \times \lambda$$

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#### KEYWORDS

**Oscillation** – a regularly repeating motion about a central value.

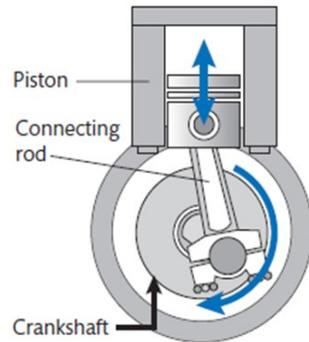
**Period** (or ‘periodic time’) – the time taken for one whole cycle of an oscillation, i.e. before the motion starts to repeat itself. (Symbol:  $T$ ; SI unit: s.)

**Frequency** –  $f = \frac{1}{T}$  i.e. the number of whole cycles occurring in one second. (Symbol:  $f$ ; SI unit: Hertz, Hz.)

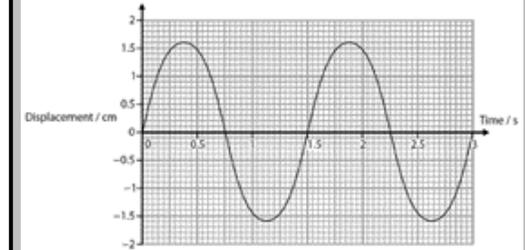
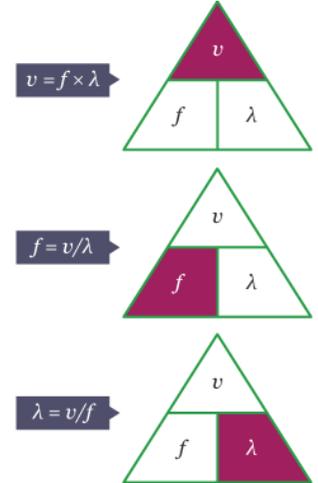
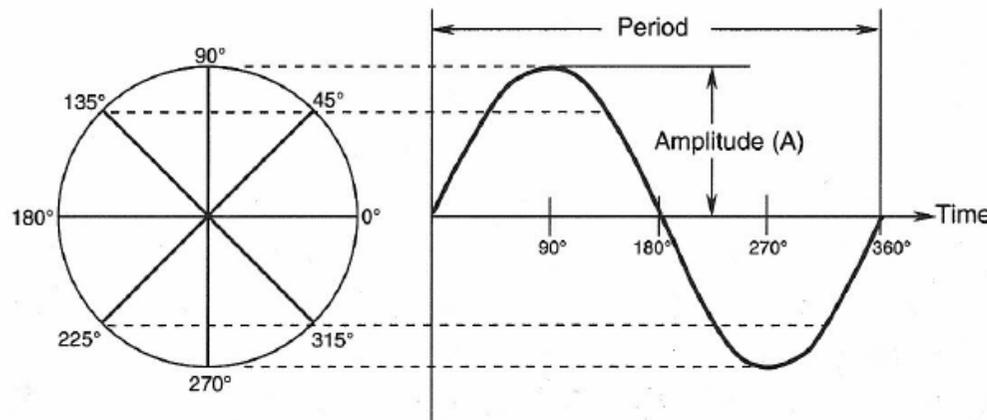
**Displacement** – how far the quantity that is in oscillation has moved from its mean (rest) value at any given time.

**Amplitude** – the maximum value of displacement in the oscillation cycle – always measured from the mean (rest) position.

- A wave travels one wavelength during its periodic time.
- So that means you can calculate its speed,  $v$ , as wavelength,  $\lambda$ , divided by periodic time,  $T$ . However, instead of the periodic time, frequency is more commonly used,  $f$ , where  $f = \frac{1}{T}$
- Frequency is measured in cycles per second or Hertz (Hz)



- The mathematics of oscillation and of circular motion are closely connected.
- The sine is a mathematical function of the angle through which you can imagine a crankshaft turning to drive the motion.
- You can use this idea of the angle generating a cycle of oscillation when you compare two wave motions that are not in phase with one another. The **phase difference** is usually given as an angle, where  $360^\circ$  (or  $2\pi$  radians) equates to a whole cycle – a shift equivalent to one wavelength in distance or one period in time.



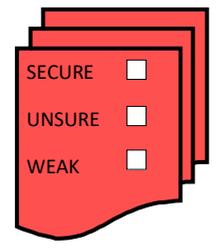
1. Give the amplitude of the wave.
2. Give the wavelength of the wave.
3. Calculate the frequency of the wave.

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Recap the basic structure of a wave including wavelength, amplitude and frequency.



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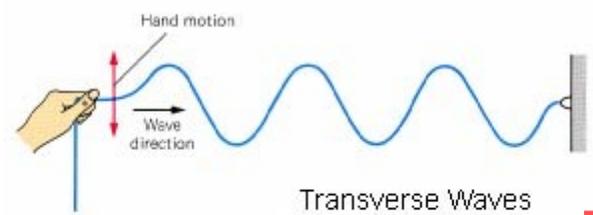
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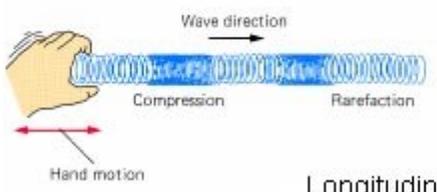
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- When the displacement occurs in the same direction that the wave travels, for example in a sound wave, it is a longitudinal wave.
- In a transverse wave the displacement is at right angles to the direction of propagation of the wave, for example, water ripples and electromagnetic waves.
- In a longitudinal wave, the different displacements of particles along the direction in which the wave is propagating, lead to a series of compressions (where particles are packed closer together) and rarefactions (where they are further apart).



Transverse Waves

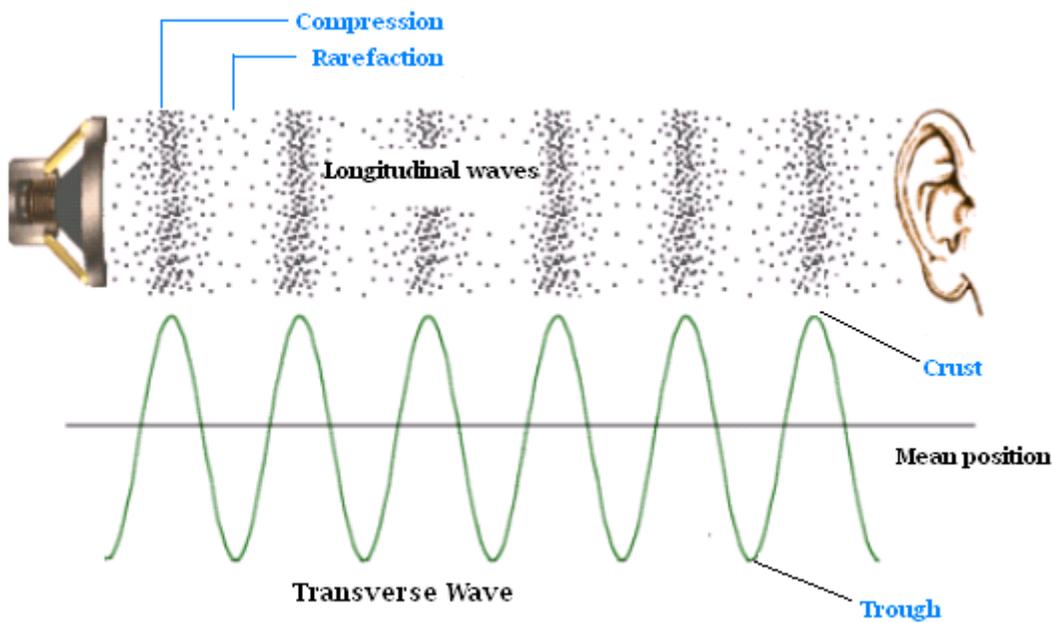


Longitudinal Waves

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Earthquakes and other seismic events below the earth's surface generate two types of shock wave: a longitudinal 'pressure' wave and a transverse 'shaking' wave. They travel at different speeds and so will each arrive at different times, making earthquakes quite complex events to study.

Transmission of sound as a longitudinal wave in air



**Q:**

1. Explain in detail how our ears can detect sound waves. Include the terms compression and rarefaction in your answer.

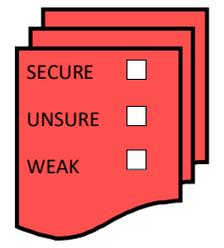
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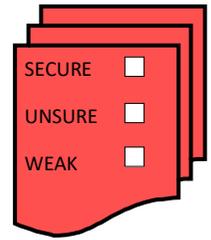
Recap examples of transverse and longitudinal waves.





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**Diffraction** is a key characteristic of all waves. It means the tendency of a wave to spread out in all directions, transferring energy to its surroundings as it does so.

- If the advancing wave-fronts encounter a flat obstacle in front of them, like a wall, most of the wave's energy is either absorbed or reflected by the wall.
- If the obstacle has edges or gaps, wave energy can travel round the edges or through the gaps. It is then that you may notice diffraction occurring.
- Although after going through a gap much of the wave energy does keep moving forwards, some of it spreads out in other directions.

A **diffraction grating** is a flat plane object. It has a series of regular lines formed on it that block parts of an advancing wave-front.

- When a wave-front meets a diffraction grating, some of the wave's energy continues propagating forward through the gaps between the grating lines. This is **transmission**.
- Some more of the wave's energy may be absorbed in the grating itself, but the remainder of the energy is scattered backwards as a **reflection**.

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#### KEYWORDS

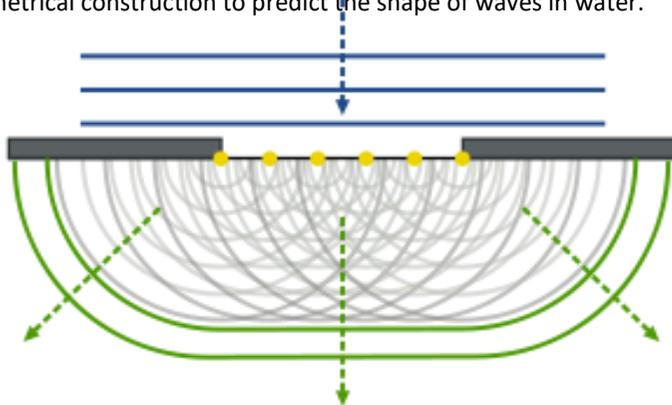
**Superposition** – is the adding together of wave displacements that occurs when waves from two or more separate sources overlap at any given location in space. The displacements simply add mathematically.

**Path difference** – is the difference in length between two (straight line) rays, e.g. one from a particular grating gap to a given point in space and the ray from the next-door grating gap to the same point.

**Interference pattern** – a stationary pattern that can result from the superposition of waves travelling in different directions, provided they are **coherent**.

**Coherent** – literally means 'sticking together' and is used to describe waves whose superposition gives a visible **interference pattern**. To be coherent, waves must share the same frequency and same wavelength and have a constant phase difference.

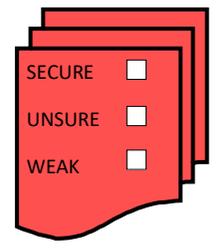
The Dutch mathematician and scientist, Christiaan Huygens, developed a geometrical construction to predict the shape of waves in water.



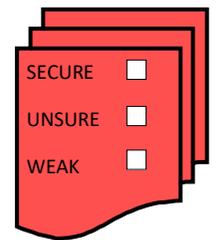
1. Explain how the diffraction grating produces an emission spectrum. You can use a labelled diagram to help your explanation



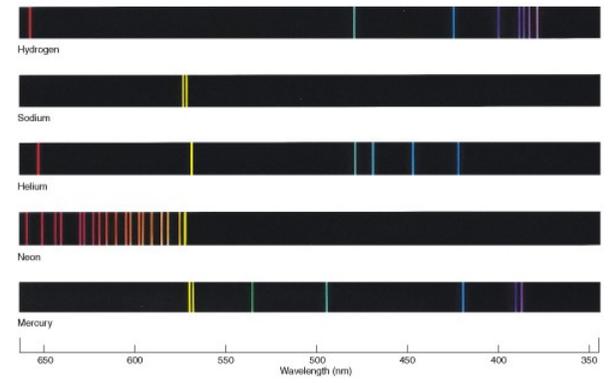
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# DIFFRACTION GRATINGS (II)



Gratings in Reflection mode	Coherent Light Sources	Emission Spectra
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In reflection mode, instead of looking at what comes through a grating, you look at the part of the wave energy that is bounced back off the grating surface.</li> <li>Once again, because the grating lines are regularly spaced, an interference pattern is produced.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When light is emitted from or absorbed by matter, you can only explain what happens by thinking of light as being composed of tiny particles or 'packets of energy', which are called <b>photons</b>.</li> <li>When thinking about the <b>coherence</b> of light, you have to combine ideas from wave theory with the idea of individual photon particles – what is called 'wave-particle duality'.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The quantum theory of light and other electromagnetic radiations is based on the experimental observation that there is a simple relationship between the frequency, <math>f</math>, of the radiation and the energy, <math>E</math>, carried by each photon:                     <math display="block">E = hf</math>                     where <math>h</math> is the Planck constant, <math>6.626 \times 10^{-34}</math> Js. That constant of proportionality between energy and frequency has been very precisely measured and experiments indicate it is universal.                 </li> <li>If a chemical element or compound is vaporised by heating in a flame, or if you pass an electric current at high voltage through a gas, you typically see light emitted of a characteristic colour, according to the chemical nature of the material you are testing. When you look at the spectrum of that light, by splitting it up using a prism or a diffraction grating, what you see is a number of bright, coloured lines at definite frequencies. This is an <b>emission spectrum</b>. Each line in the spectrum matches to photons all emitted with very nearly the same frequency – and therefore they also each have virtually the same energy.</li> </ul>



An Emission Spectra



1. Light from a sodium-vapour lamp passes through the slits in a diffraction grating and creates a pattern on a screen. This pattern is called an emission spectrum. Which property of light produces the pattern on the screen?

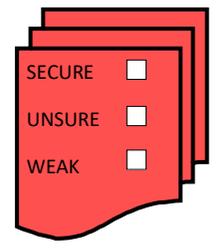
A absorption  
 B interference  
 C reflection  
 D refraction

2. Describe what is meant by coherence.



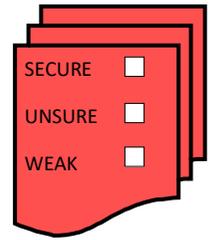


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## STATIONARY WAVES RESONANCE



In a **stationary wave** (or standing wave) energy is stored rather than transferred to other locations.

- Oscillations of different amplitudes occur along the length of the wave in a pattern that does not change over time.
- Points of minimum (ideally zero) amplitude are called **nodes** and occur at every half-wavelength along the wave's extent.
- Intermediate between the nodes are **antinodes** – points of maximum amplitude.

**Resonance** – the storing of energy in an oscillation or a stationary wave, the energy coming from an external source of appropriate frequency.

- Stationary wave patterns most often occur in resonators, where the wave motion is confined in a fixed space. The resonator has boundaries that prevent the wave progressing further and reflect its energy back.
- The resonator will also have a mechanism for interacting with and absorbing travelling wave energy from outside itself. Small amounts of energy collected over a period of time can be stored up in the stationary wave and build up a much larger amplitude oscillation.
- This effect is **resonance**. It happens when the wave energy coming in from outside has a **forcing frequency** equal or very close to a **natural frequency** of the resonator.

### Musical Instruments

Both stringed and wind instruments depend on resonance to produce their musical notes. In a stretched string, the oscillations are transverse, and the speed,  $v$ , at which waves travel down its length,  $L$ , depend on the string tension,  $T$ , and on the string's mass,  $m$ , per unit length,  $\mu$  ( $= \frac{m}{L}$ ).

The wave speed can be calculated using the formula:  $v =$

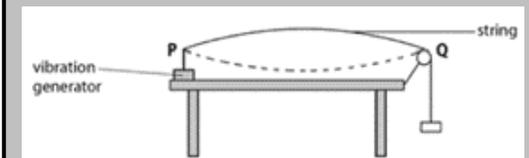
$$\sqrt{\frac{T}{\mu}}$$



### Q:

When a string on a guitar is plucked a stationary wave is set up and a sound is produced. The diagram shows how a stationary wave on a stretched string might be studied.

1. On the diagram, label a node and an antinode.



2. State the relationship between the distance **PQ** and the wavelength of the wave.

### Applications of Stationary Waves

**Radio and TV antennas** have a reflector element that bounces the incoming waves back and creates a stationary wave pattern. The detector is placed at an antinode position for the particular wavelength of radiation the aerial has been designed to pick up.

In **microwave ovens**, stationary wave patterns caused by reflections for the metal sides of the oven with hot and cold spots corresponding to antinodes and nodes.

**Bound electrons** in atoms and molecules behave like stationary waves bouncing around in the space they are restricted to by the attraction of the nuclear positive charge. The discrete energy levels that electrons can occupy each correspond to a stationary wave pattern. Wave patterns with higher numbers of nodes correspond to higher energy levels.

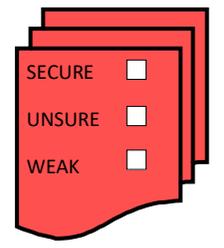
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Explain why stationary waves are seen only at certain frequencies.





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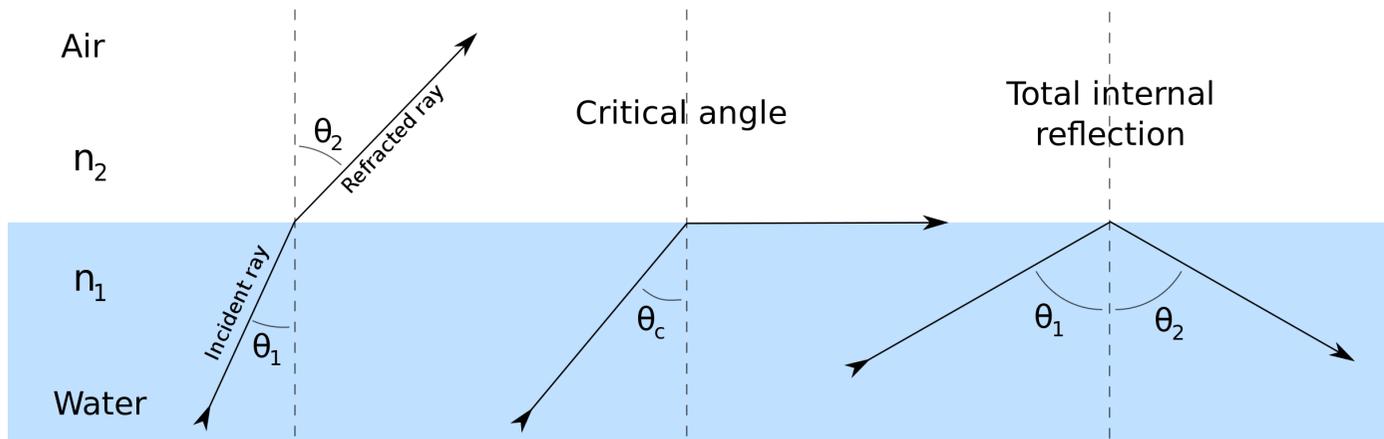


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## PRINCIPLES OF FIBRE OPTICS

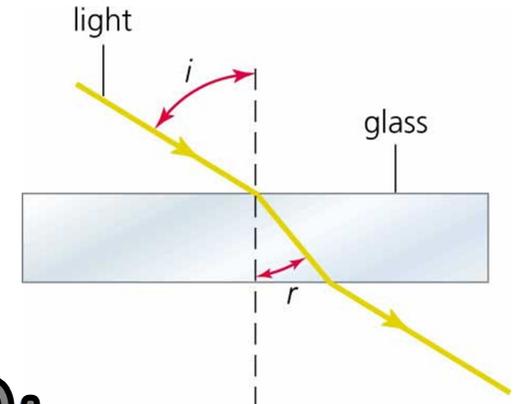
Light (or electromagnetic radiation of other frequencies) travels best through a vacuum. Its rapidly oscillating electric field generates an oscillating magnetic field, and the changing magnetic field in turn generates another nearby oscillating electric field. And so the wave progresses rapidly through space.

- When the waves have to travel through matter, their progress is impeded by the electronic charges in the atoms and molecules. Metals, which are full of freely moving electrons, just stop the wave oscillation completely.
- Many other materials absorb some or all of the light and so look coloured or even black.
- In transparent materials, like water, glass and many plastics, the waves are not stopped or absorbed, but they are slowed down. The ratio of the speed of light in vacuum,  $c$ , to its speed in the material medium,  $v$ , is called the **refractive index**,  $n$ , of the medium.



$$\text{Refractive index} = n = \frac{c}{v}$$

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Q:

A fibre optic cable is made from a material that has a critical angle of  $43.8^\circ$ .

1. Calculate the refractive index for this material.

**Critical Angle:** When light passes from one medium (material) to another it changes speed. This is because the speed of a wave is determined by the medium through which it is passing. When light speeds up as it passes from one material to another, the angle of refraction is bigger than the angle of incidence. For example, this happens when light passes from water to air or from glass to water.

When the angle of refraction is equal to  $90^\circ$ , the angle of incidence is called the critical angle,  $\theta_c$ . At any angle of incidence greater than the critical angle, the light cannot pass through the surface - it is all reflected.

This is called **total internal reflection**.

**Total** because all of the energy is reflected.

**Internal** because the energy stays inside the material.

**Reflection** because the light is reflected.

$$\sin \theta_c = \frac{1}{n}$$

The relationship between critical angle and refractive index is

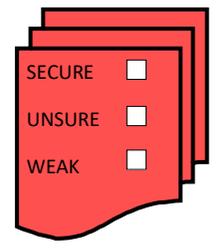
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Make sure you can use the equations on this page to calculate refractive index and critical angle.



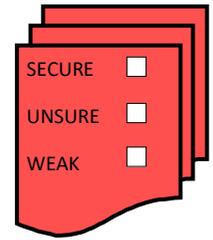


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## OPTICAL FIBRES (I)



Optical fibres are very long thin cylinders of glass or, sometimes, plastic. Light is fed into the cut end of the fibre, so when it hits the sides of the fibre, it almost always does so at angles greater than the critical angle. That means all the rays of light get totally internally reflected and keep bouncing down the length of the fibre.

- No wave energy gets lost through the walls of the fibre, although as glass is not perfectly transparent, some is gradually absorbed.
- This makes light in optical fibres a much more efficient way of transmitting signals than sending electrical pulses down copper cables. Copper cables suffer from quite large losses due to electrical resistance, meaning that after a few hundred metres most of the signal has been attenuated away and amplifiers are needed to boost it up again.

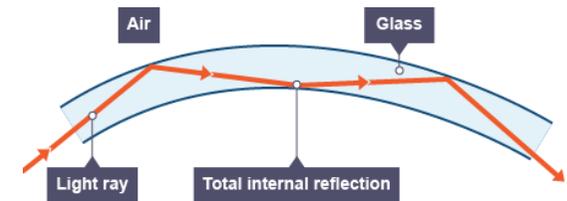
### Fibre Optics in Medicine

- Endoscopes are optical instruments with long tubes that can be inserted into a body organ through an opening such as the throat, nose, ear canals or anus.
- These allow a trained medical practitioner to see inside a body organ, for example, the upper oesophagus and stomach or the colon and intestines, without undertaking surgery.
- Endoscopes are also used during keyhole surgery to guide the use of surgical instruments with remote handling, which are often incorporated into the same tube system.

Each fibre in the bundle is as thin as a human hair and consists of:

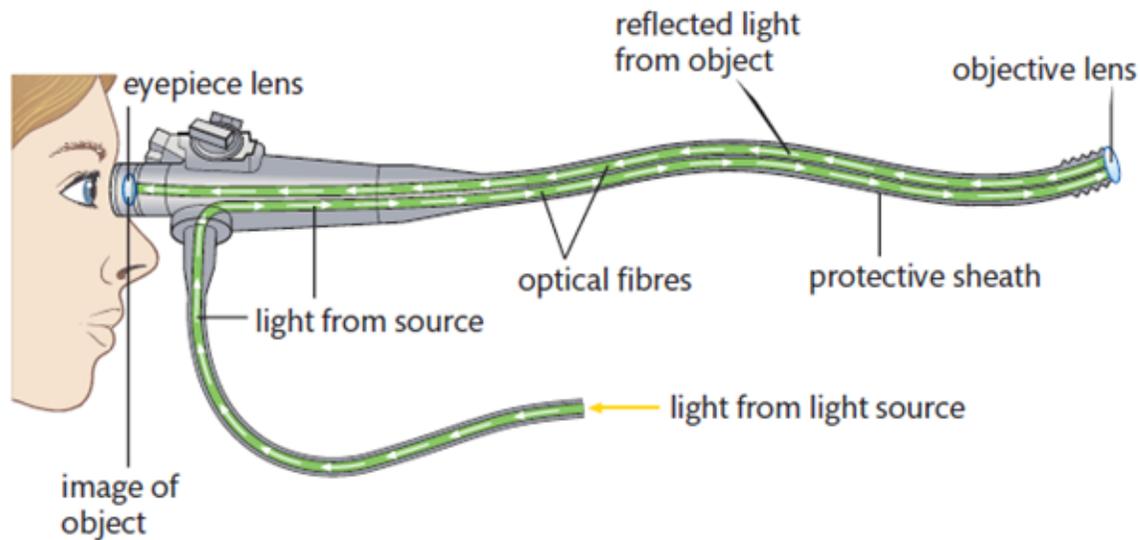
- a core
- cladding
- protective plastic buffer coating

The image transmitted is pixelated (i.e. formed of coloured dots), since each fibre only transmits one pixel of coloured light. So the resolution of the image depends on the number of fibres in the bundle.



### Q:

1. Give **one** use of fibre optics in medicine.
2. Explain why there is total internal reflection in an optical fibre.
3. A technician who is using the endoscope accidentally bends the optical fibres to a very sharp angle. The optical fibres do not crack or break. He notices that the brightness of the light leaving the optical fibres is reduced. Explain why the brightness of the light is reduced.



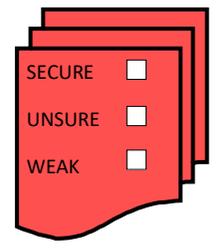
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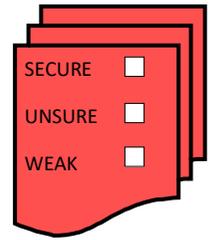
Make sure you can clearly explain how an endoscope works.





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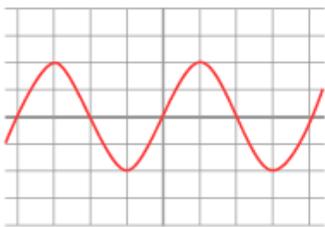
Analogue Signals	Digital Signals
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the electrical signals made by a microphone, which mimic the shape and intensity of the sound waves they are detecting</li> <li>the position of the pointer on a pressure dial gauge</li> <li>the waveform displayed on a cathode ray oscilloscope, which copies and shows the variation of an AC voltage with time.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Digitising information not only makes it possible to send more data faster than using analogue transmission. It also makes the transmission much more reliable and interference free.</li> <li>Converting a signal from analogue to digital is carried out electronically using an analogue to digital (A to D) converter.</li> </ul>

### KEYWORDS

**Analogue signal** – a signal whose strength is proportional to the quantity it is representing.

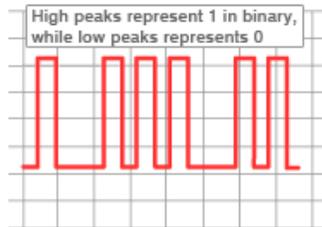
**Digital signal** – conveys in binary code a number that represents the size of the measured quantity.

Analogue signal



Analogue signals work by transmitting sounds and pictures as continuously varying waves.

Digital signal



Digital information is sent as computerised pulses of information, coded as 1s and 0s.

### Fibre optic broadband networks

**Broadband** is used as a relative term to indicate the speed and carrying capacity of a data channel.

In connection with the internet it has been used to market the improvement from earlier telephone dial up connections, which were very limited and slow. Fibre optic broadband has been progressively replacing copper cable connections with consequent gains in data speed.

**Multimode fibre** is the standard fibre cable used for sending optical signals over short to medium distances – for example, connections to instruments, jumpers in cabinets, small local area networks

**Single mode fibre** has an even narrower core (8  $\mu\text{m}$  to 10  $\mu\text{m}$ ), which is less than ten wavelengths of the infra-red light that is used in them. This means there is just no space for different beams travelling at different angles down the core. Instead, the light wave moves as a single wave-front straight down the centre of the fibre, and all the signal energy reaches the far end of the fibre at the same instant. Millions of kilometres of this high quality cable is laid every year to build the fibre optic networks for telephone, cable TV and broadband internet communications.



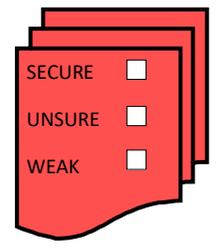
- The refractive index of the optical fibre is 1.48. The speed of light in air is approximately  $3 \times 10^8$  m/s. Calculate the speed of light in the optical fibre.
- Optical fibres use digital signals for communication. Digital signals are clear and of high quality. They can carry a lot of data. Explain **one other** advantage of using digital signals in long distance communication.

top tip

Recap the properties of analogue and digital signals from GCSE.

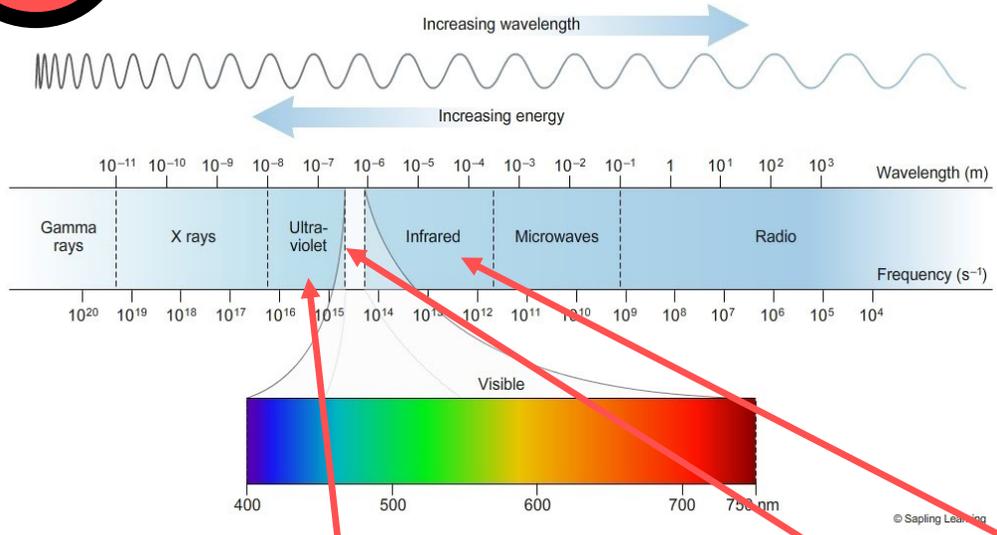


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# ELECTROMAGNETIC WAVES



### Speed of electromagnetic waves in a vacuum

Light, and all forms of electromagnetic radiation, travel at the same speed through vacuum:  $2.997\ 925 \times 10^8\ \text{ms}^{-1}$ . This is a physical constant value that is usually denoted by the letter,  $c$ .

### Inverse square law for intensity of a wave

Waves transfer energy, and energy is a quantity that is always conserved. Wave-fronts propagating out from a point or a spherical source will themselves be spherical.

As each wave-front increases in radius it also increases in area. The formula for the surface area of a sphere of radius  $r$  is  $4\pi r^2$ . The energy in the moving wave-front is distributed over that expanding area, and so its intensity decreases accordingly:

$$I = \frac{k}{r^2}$$

where  $I$  is intensity of wave,  $k$  is a constant and  $r$  is distance from source.

SECURE

UNSURE

WEAK

There are frequencies just above your visible range that can be seen by bees and some other animals, which help plants grow and which cause sunburn. These are ultra-violet light (UV), because the frequencies are above those of violet

Your eyes can only detect a very small range of frequencies. These are visible light.

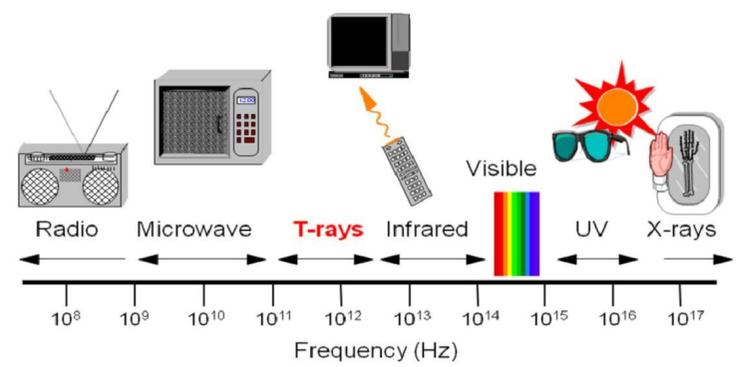
You can sense frequencies just a little lower than that of red light as radiant heat warming you. These are infra-red radiation (IR).

The remaining types of radiation are named according to how they are produced. At the highest frequencies the frequency ranges for X-rays and for  $\gamma$ -rays (gamma rays) overlap somewhat. X-rays are produced by high energy atomic electron transitions and are just a higher energy version of light and UV radiation. On the other hand,  $\gamma$ -rays come from nuclear disintegrations and from collisions between high energy sub-atomic particles.

- Applications of EM Spectrum:**
- Satellite communication
  - Mobile phones
  - Bluetooth
  - Wifi
  - Infrared

*top tip*

Review page 82 of the textbook for applications of EM waves.



## Q:

1. Compare the use of mobile phones, Bluetooth® and Wi-Fi in communications.

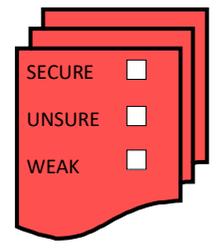
Your answer should include reference to their uses, frequencies and range.

2. Determine how the intensity at Y,  $I_Y$ , compares with the intensity at X,  $I_X$ .





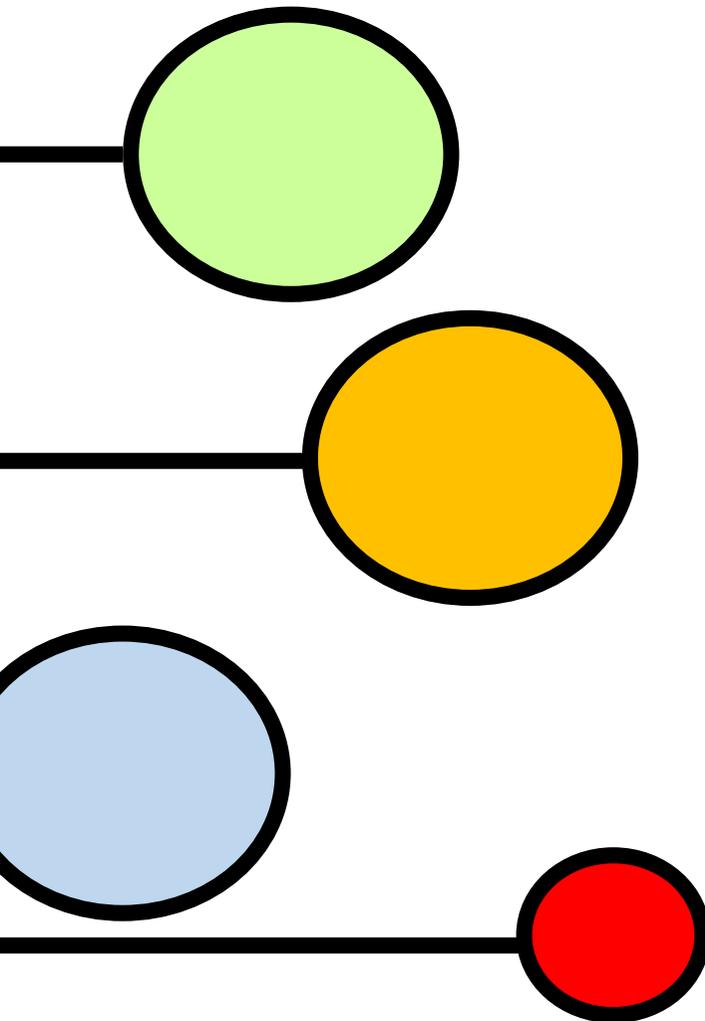
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