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Atomic structure

# *Review*

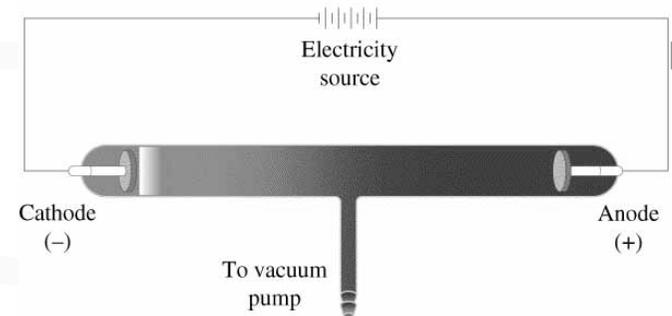
- Reaction- the formation and breaking of chemical bonds
- Bond- a transfer or sharing of electrons

# *Electrons*

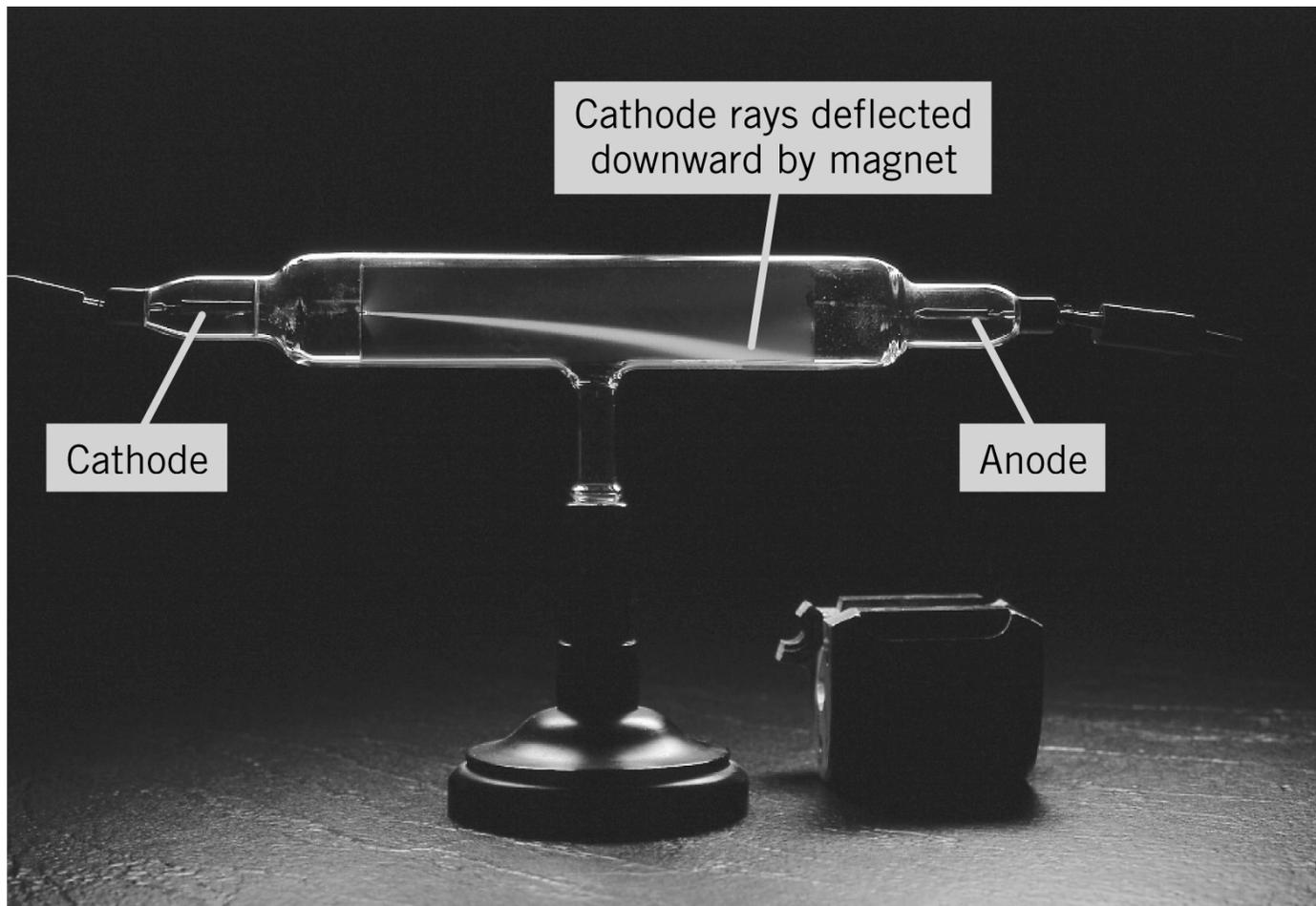
- Abbreviated  $e^-$
- What are they?
- How were they discovered?

# *Early experiments*

- William Crookes used an evacuated tube hooked up to a source of electricity (in 1879) and saw a fluorescent beam
- JJ Thomson (in 1897) determined the particles causing this fluorescence were negatively charged, based on their behavior in the presence of a magnetic field
- Thomson found the fluorescence was independent of the identity of the residual gas in the tube....the particles must therefore be a property of all matter



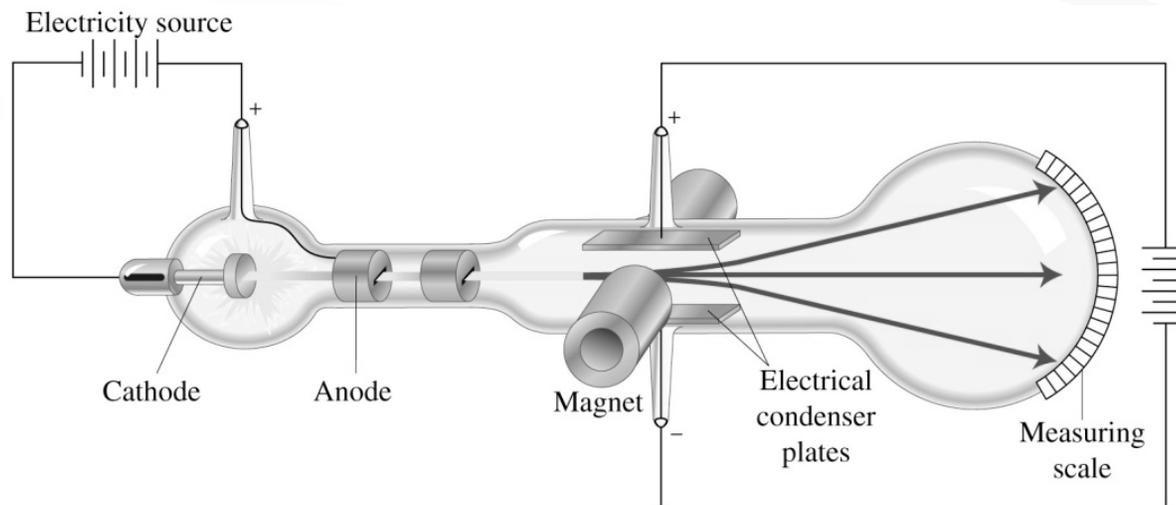
# *Cathode rays*



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# More on Thomson

- Thomson determined the mass to charge ratio ( $m_e/e = -5.686 \times 10^{-12}$  kg/C) and decided (based on previous knowledge with  $H^+$ ) he had one of three situations:
  - If the charge were similar to  $H^+$ , then mathematically the mass of the particle must be much less than that of  $H^+$
  - If the mass were similar to  $H^+$ , then mathematically the charge must be much greater than that on  $H^+$
  - Something in between the two extremes
- He suspected the first case to be true, but could not prove it



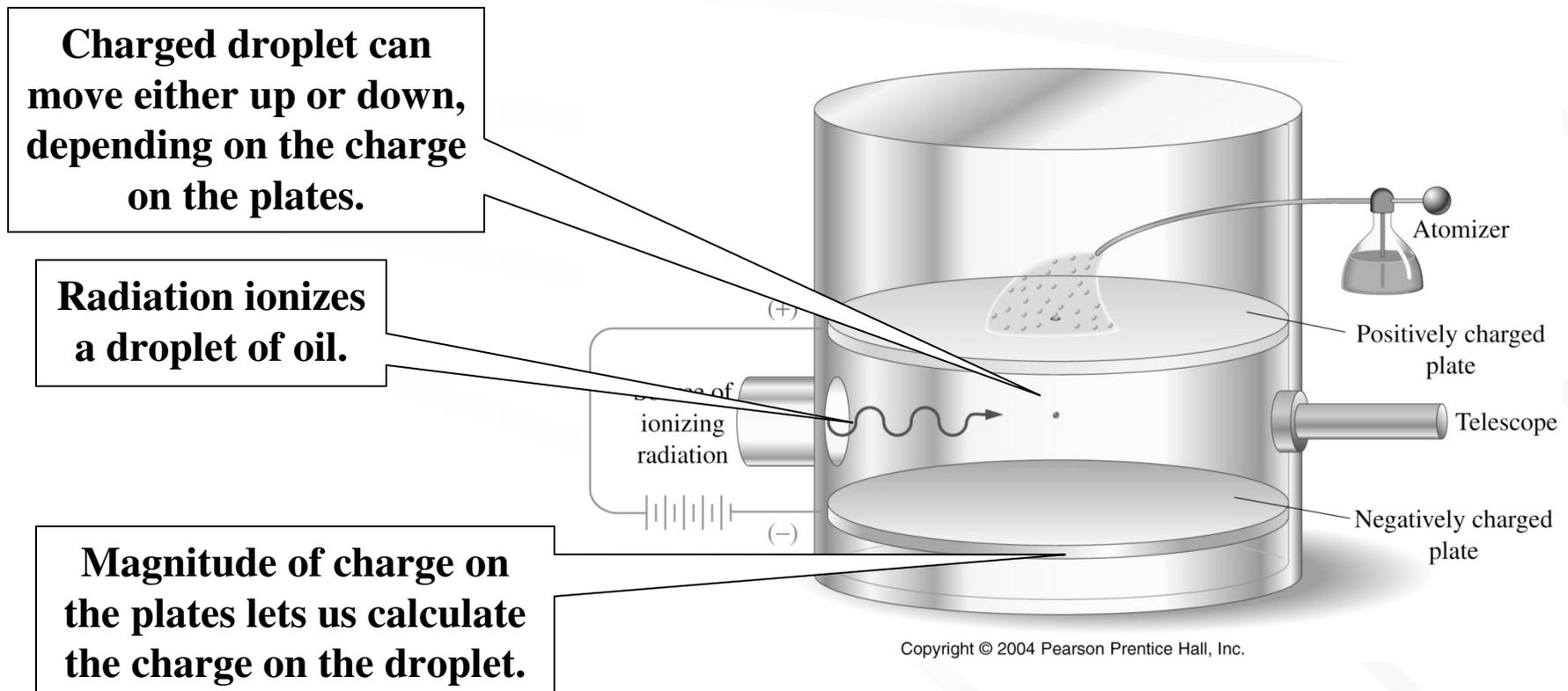
# *Explanations*

- 1909 Millikan's oil drop experiment (next slide) showed that the rate of fall (velocity) of a charged oil drop could be varied in the presence of an electric field such that the charge could only in multiples of a fundamental unit ( $e = -1.602 \times 10^{-19}$ )
- Thomson knew the  $e^-$  had to be neutralized by + charges, but was unsure of the arrangement and devised the "raisin pudding" model (2 slides ahead)
- Ernest Rutherford (a student of Thomson's) studied *radioactivity*, a phenomenon of unstable heavy atoms giving off radiation during disintegration
- Rutherford bombarded metal foils with alpha particles ( $\text{He}^{2+}$ )...most went through, but some were scattered at odd angles...not explained by the Thomson model of the atom...
- Can be explained with a *nuclear* model (three slides ahead)

# Millikan's oil drop experiment

- George Stoney: names the cathode-ray particle the **electron**.
- Robert Millikan: determines a value for the electron's charge:

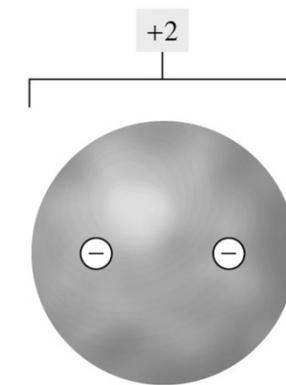
$$e = -1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$$



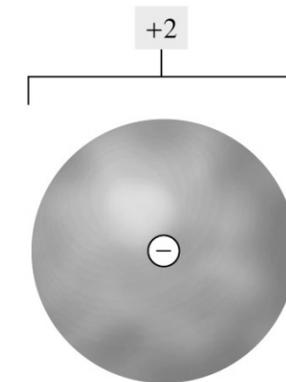
# *J. J. Thomson's model of the atom*

- Thomson proposed an atom with a positively charged sphere containing equally spaced electrons inside.
- He applied this model to atoms with up to 100 electrons.

Uniformly distributed positive charge

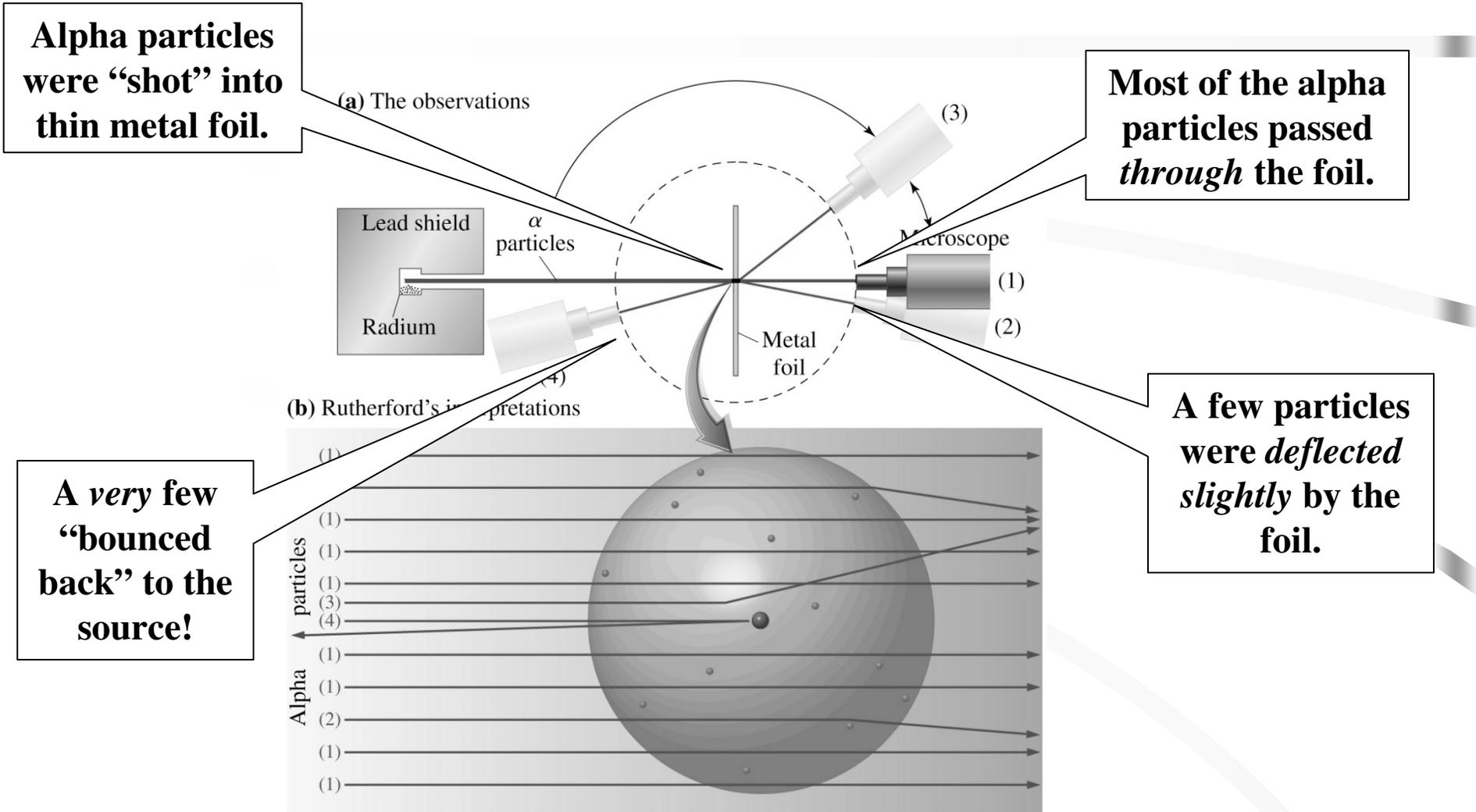


Helium atom, He



Helium ion, He<sup>+</sup>

# Alpha scattering “gold foil expt”: Rutherford’s observations



Alpha particles were “shot” into thin metal foil.

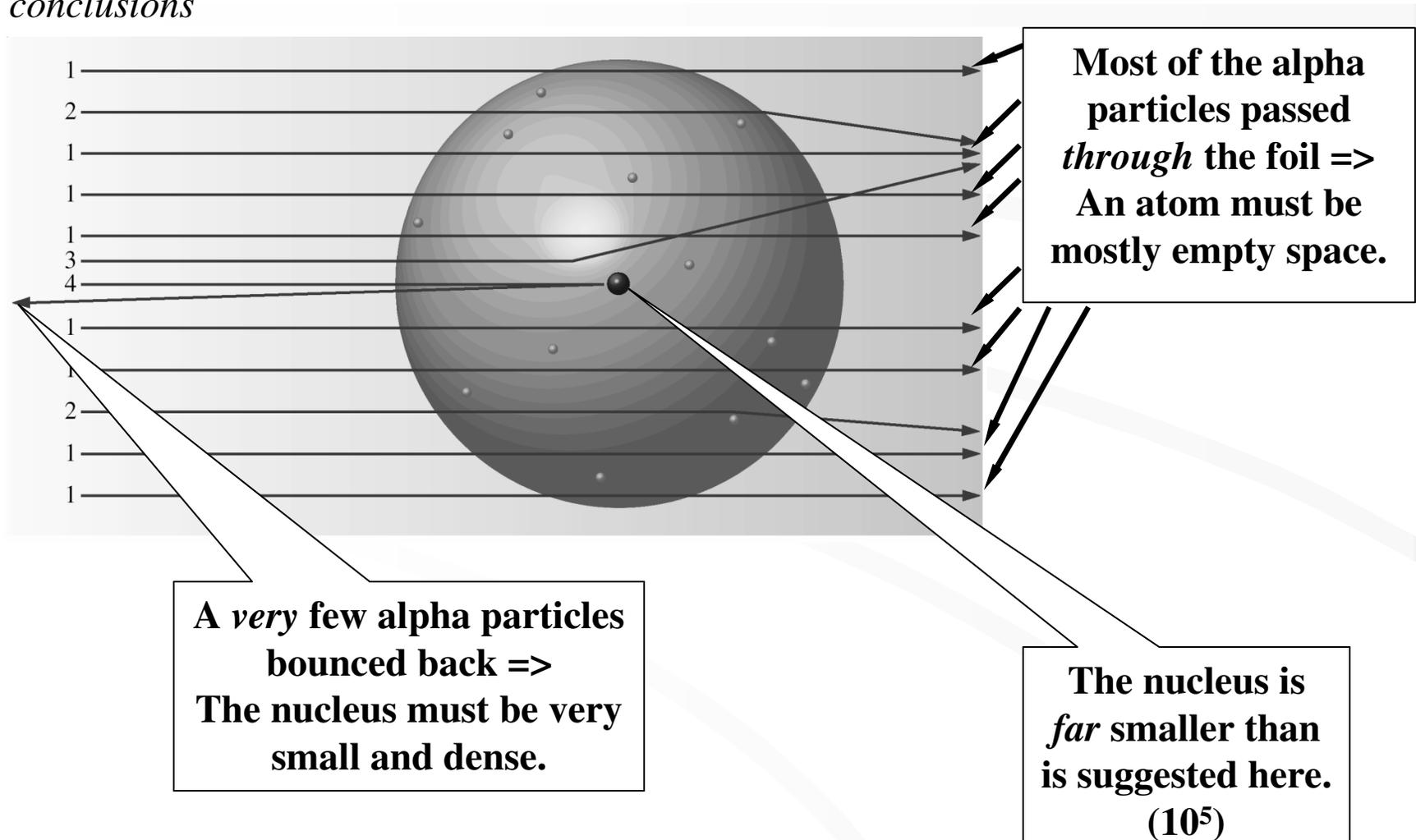
Most of the alpha particles passed *through* the foil.

A few particles were *deflected slightly* by the foil.

A *very* few “bounced back” to the source!

*Alpha  
scattering  
experiment:  
Rutherford's  
conclusions*

If Thomson's model of the atom was correct, most of the alpha particles should have been deflected a little, like bullets passing through a cardboard target.

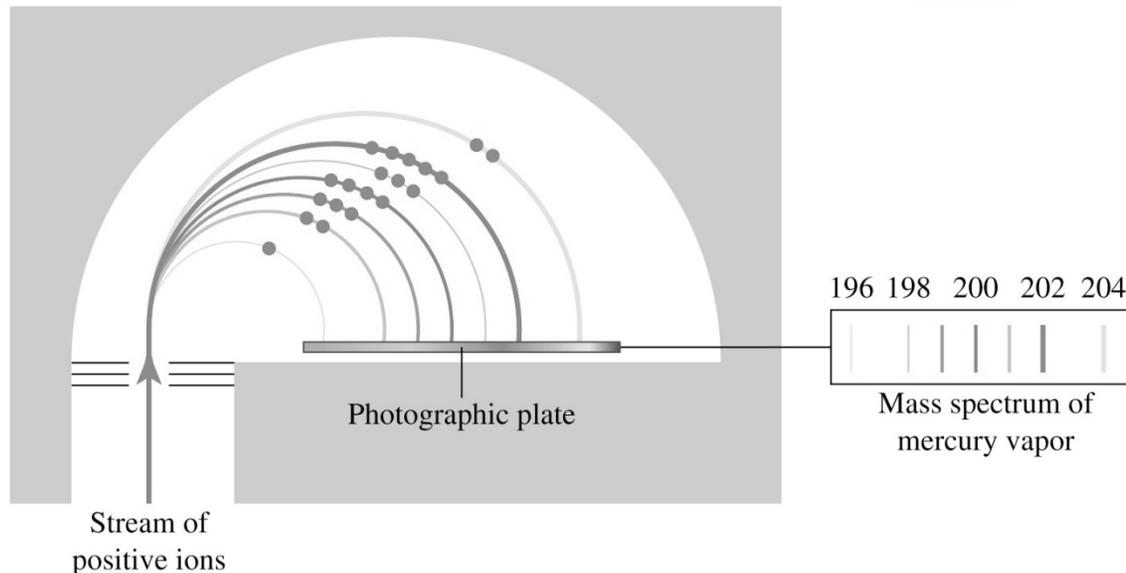


## *Rearranging the periodic table*

- Prior to 1914, atomic numbers were given out simply by arranging the elements in order of mass...
- Now that the number of protons and electrons could be determined and the mass of them calculated, there was some additional mass to be explained.
- A neutral particle was postulated, the existence of which was proven in **1932** by Chadwick

# *Proof*

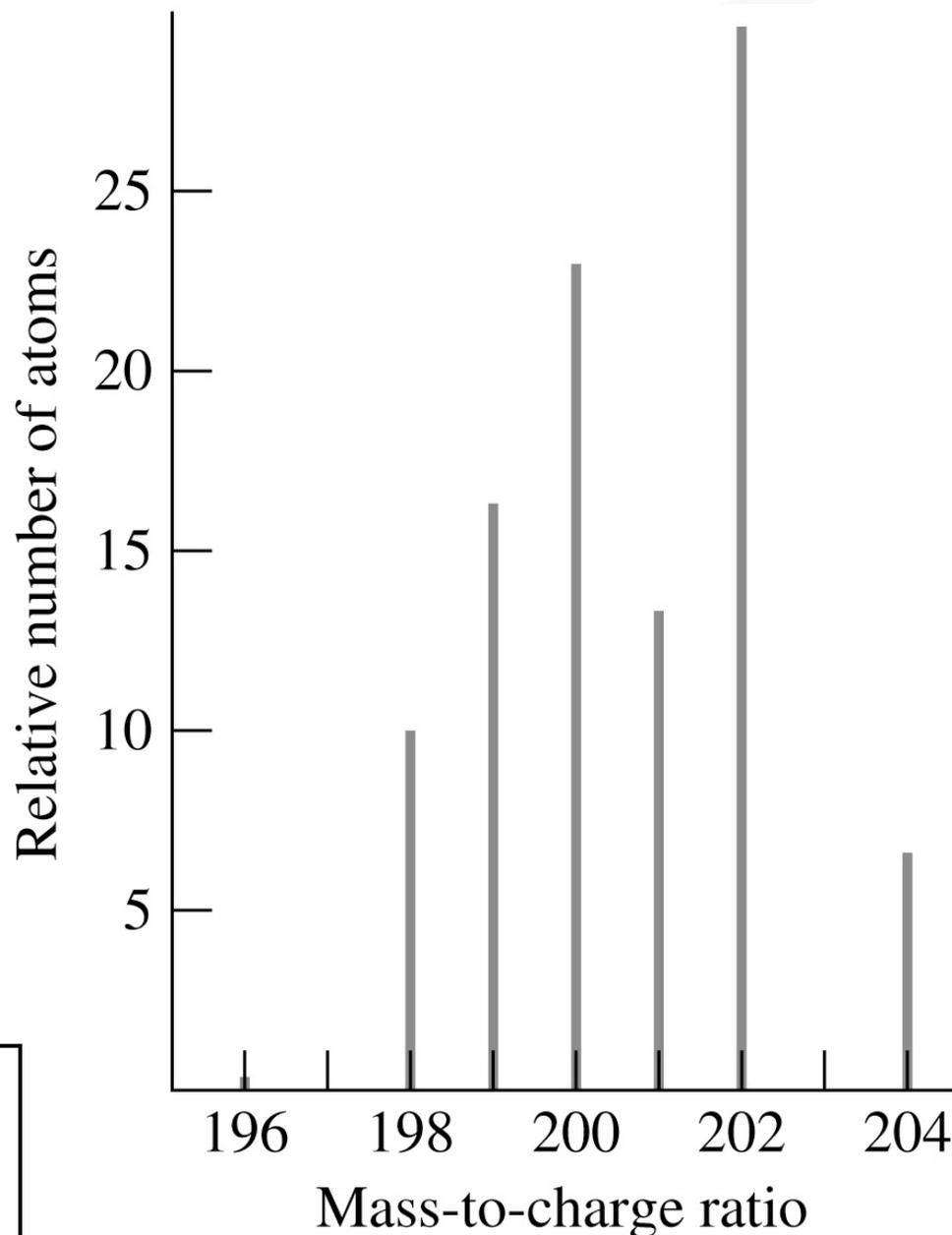
- A Crookes tube can also be constructed to detect positive ions drawn to the cathode (negative pole) or deflected away from the anode (positive pole).
- These experiments ARE matter dependent.
- A mass analyzer (mass spectrometer) is based on this concept.



# *A mass spectrum for mercury*

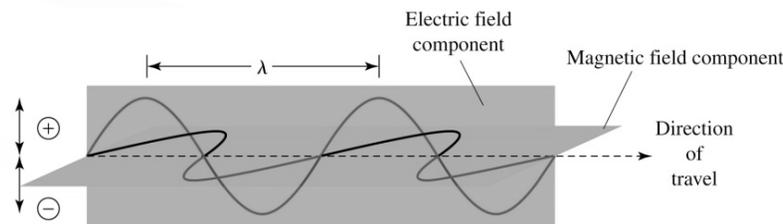
**Mass spectrum of an *element* shows the abundance of its isotopes. What are the three most abundant isotopes of mercury?**

**Mass spectrum of a *compound* can give information about the structure of the compound.**

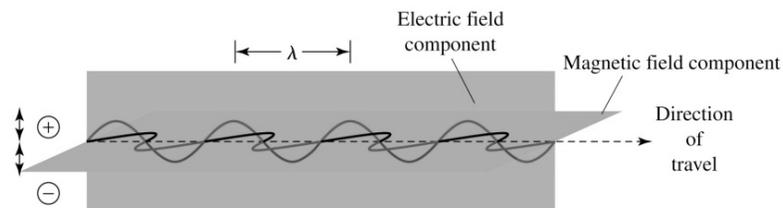


# *Electromagnetic (EM) radiation*

- Composed of perpendicular electric and magnetic field waves (something that repeats as it progresses through space)
- The region of the full spectrum which WE call light is only a small portion (next slide)
- Wavelength ( $\lambda$ ) is the distance between equivalent wave points on adjacent peaks, expressed in meters

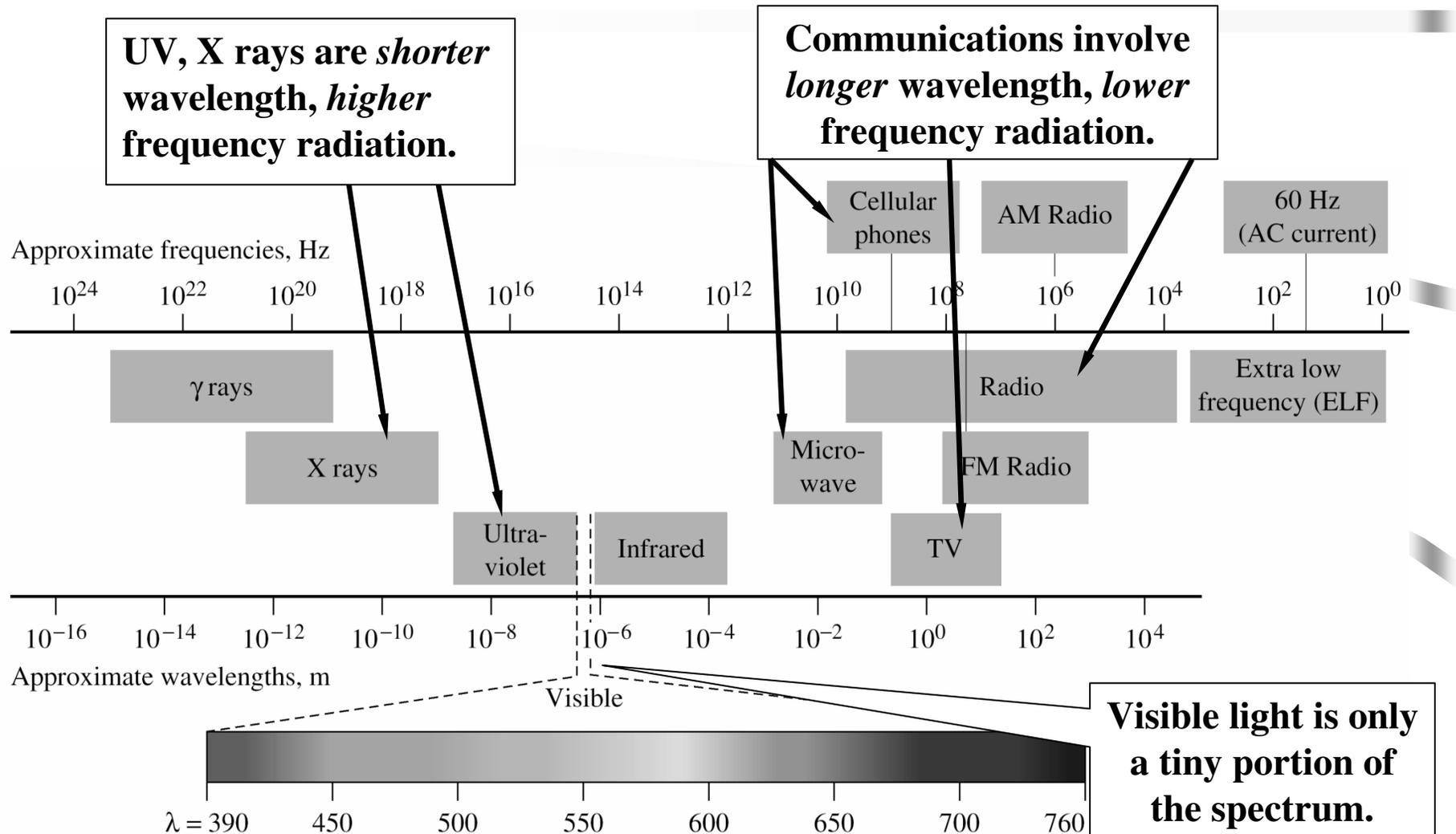


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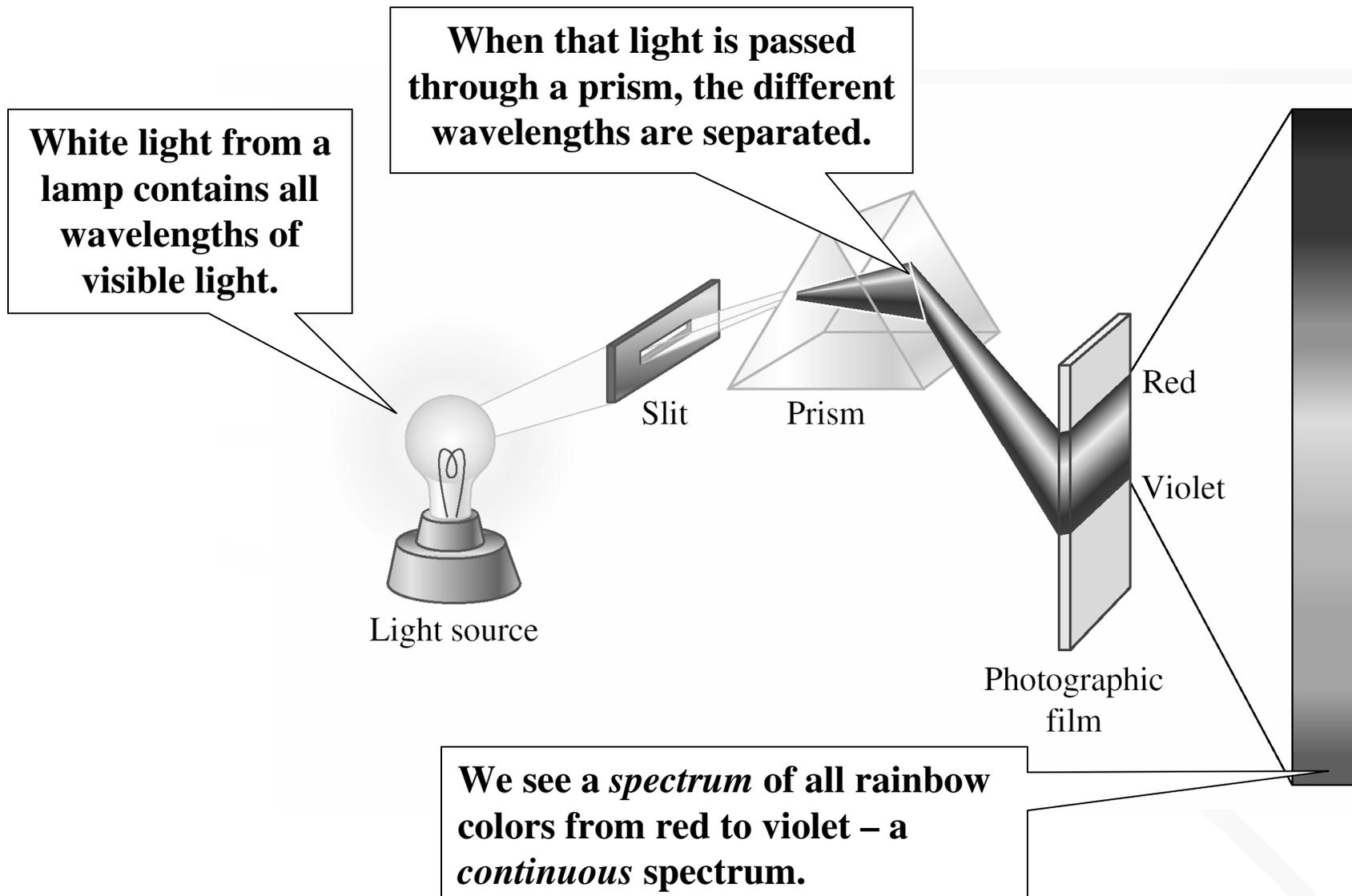


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# *Electromagnetic (EM) radiation*



# A continuous *spectrum*

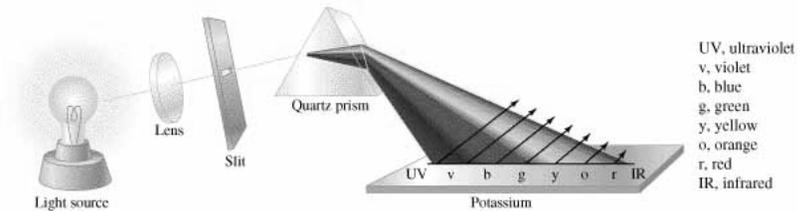


# *Frequency*

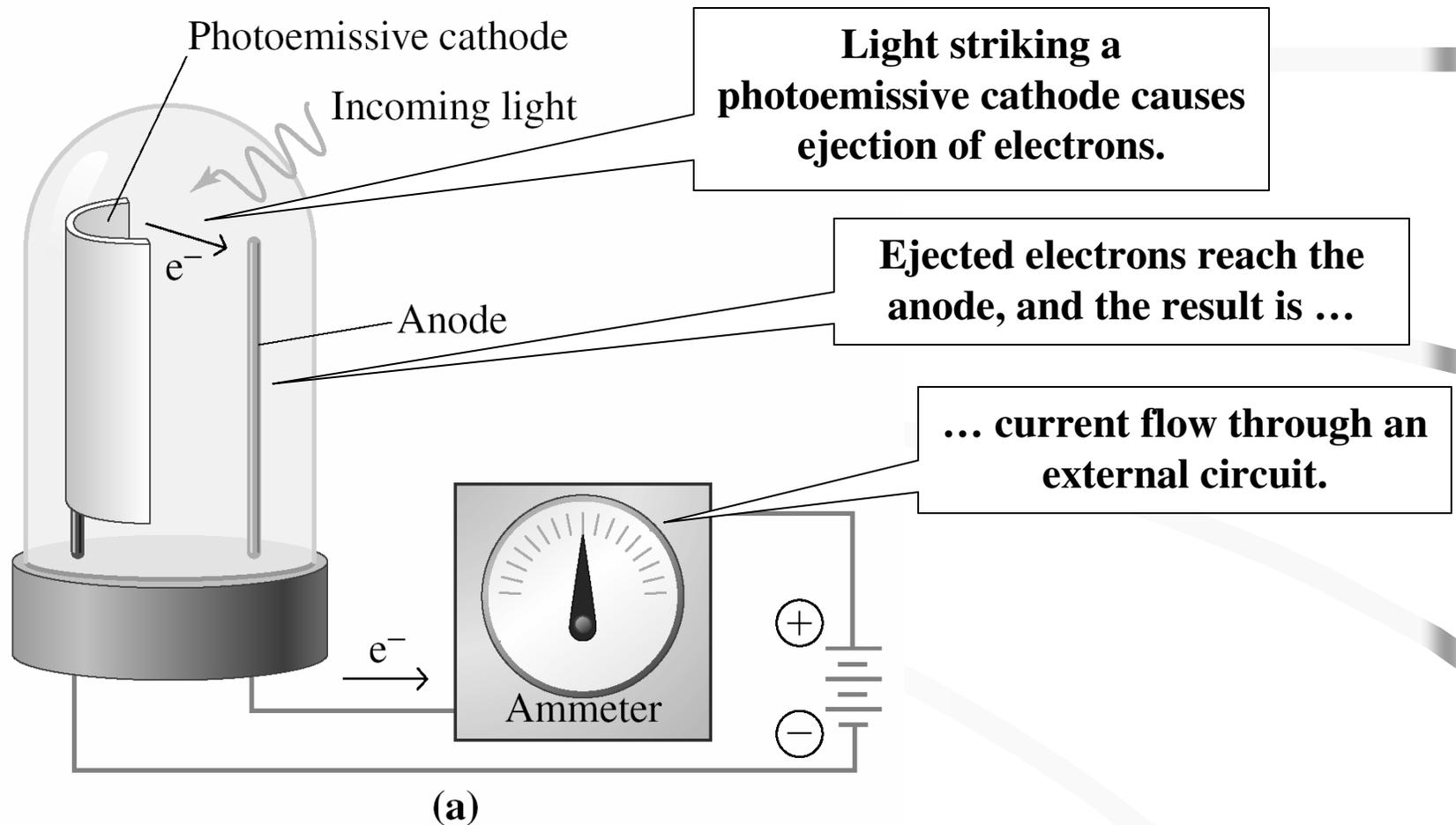
- Frequency ( $\nu$ ) is how many waves pass a fixed point per unit time, expressed in hertz (Hz, s<sup>-1</sup>)
- Frequency times wavelength = speed,  $c = 2.99792458 \times 10^8$  m/s (or just  $3 \times 10^8$  m/s)
- In 1900, Max Planck explained the behavior of both high and low frequency radiation by equating energy with frequency and a constant,  $E = h\nu$ , where  $h$  is Planck's constant =  $6.626 \times 10^{-34}$  (think how small this number is)
- Planck's equation demonstrates that light comes only in discrete "packets" called quanta (singular = "quantum")

# *Einstein*

- In 1905, Einstein used Planck's theories to explain how electrons can result from bombarding a sample with light...
- This plus the observation of line spectra when elements were heated lead to...



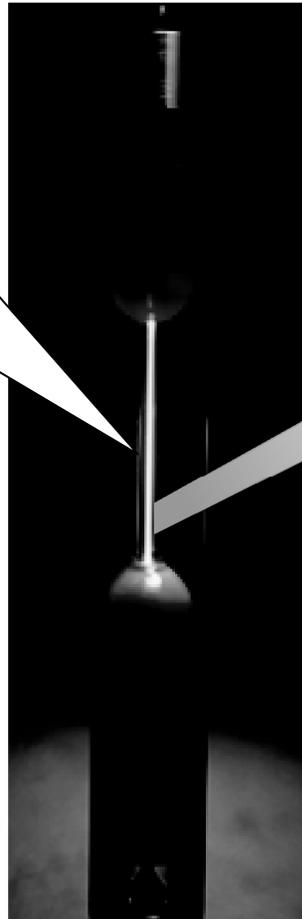
# *The photoelectric effect*



**But not “any old” light will cause ejection of electrons ...**

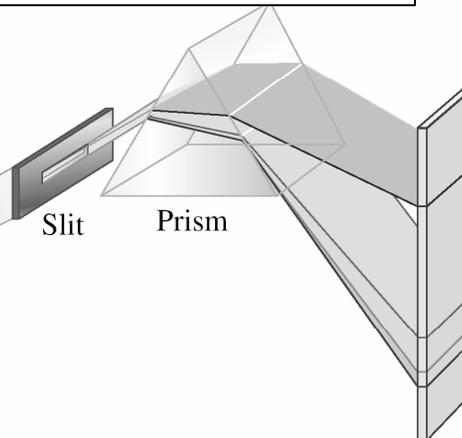
# A line spectrum

Light from an electrical discharge through a gaseous element (e.g., neon light, hydrogen lamp) does *not* contain all wavelengths.



Hydrogen lamp

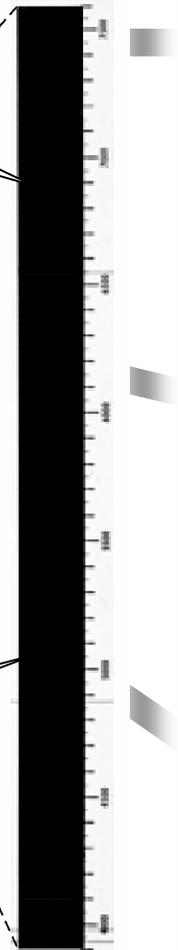
The spectrum is *discontinuous*; there are big gaps.



Slit

Prism

Photographic film



We see a pattern of lines, multiple images of the slit. This pattern is called a *line spectrum*. (duh!)

# *The Bohr model of the atom*

- Combined classical physics and quantum theory
- Different energy levels of electrons correspond to orbits of different distances from the nuclei of atoms
- The lowest energy level (that nearest the nucleus) is level 1, the next is level 2, and so on
- The electron energy levels  $E_n = -B/n^2$ , where  $n$  is the energy level (an integer) and  $B$  is a constant related to Planck's and the mass and charge of an electron (negative energy for an attractive force)

# *The Bohr model of hydrogen*

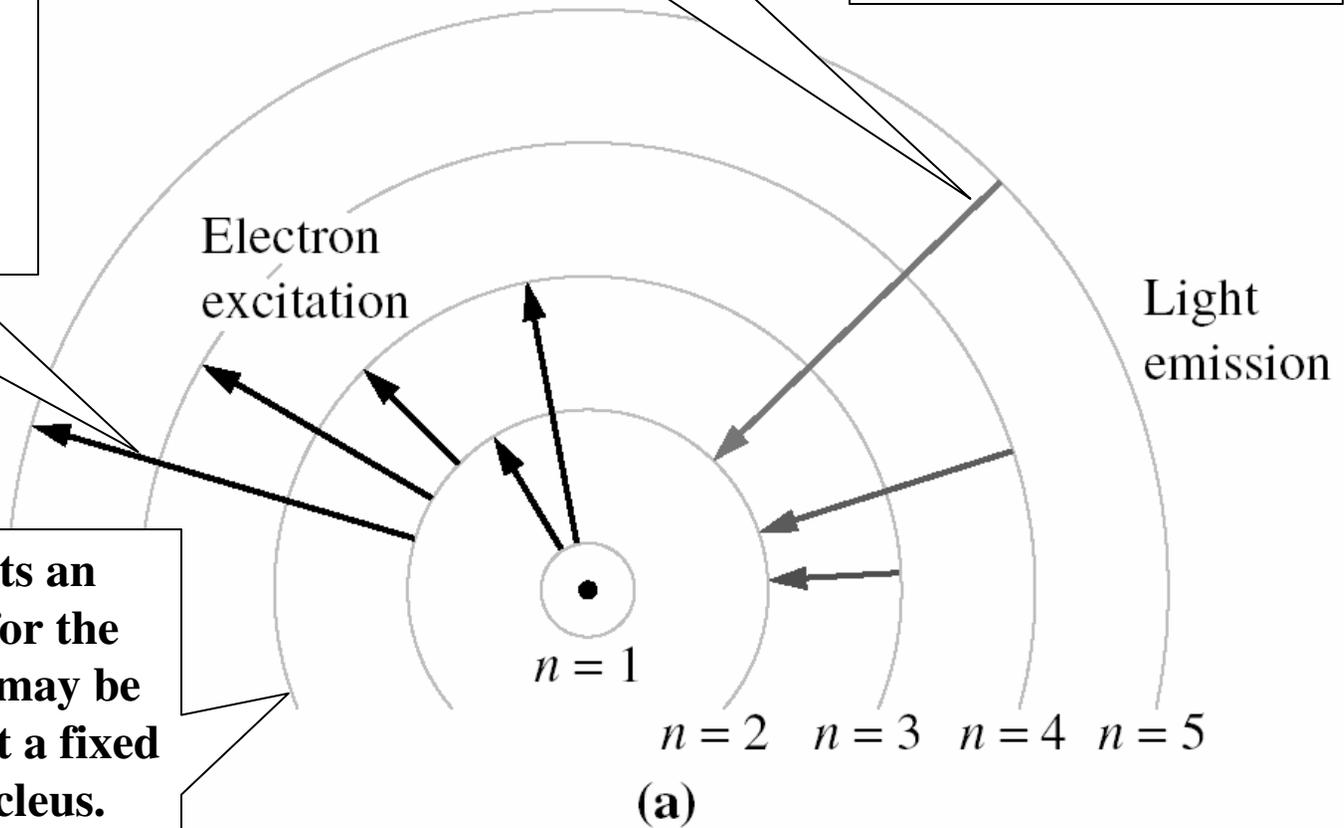
When excited, the electron is in a *higher* energy level.

Emission: The atom gives off energy—as a photon.

Upon emission, the electron drops to a *lower* energy level.

Excitation: The atom absorbs energy that is exactly equal to the *difference* between two energy levels.

Each circle represents an allowed energy level for the electron. The electron may be thought of as orbiting at a fixed distance from the nucleus.



# *Experimental*

- Bohr then explained line spectra as being due to the energy difference between 2 levels

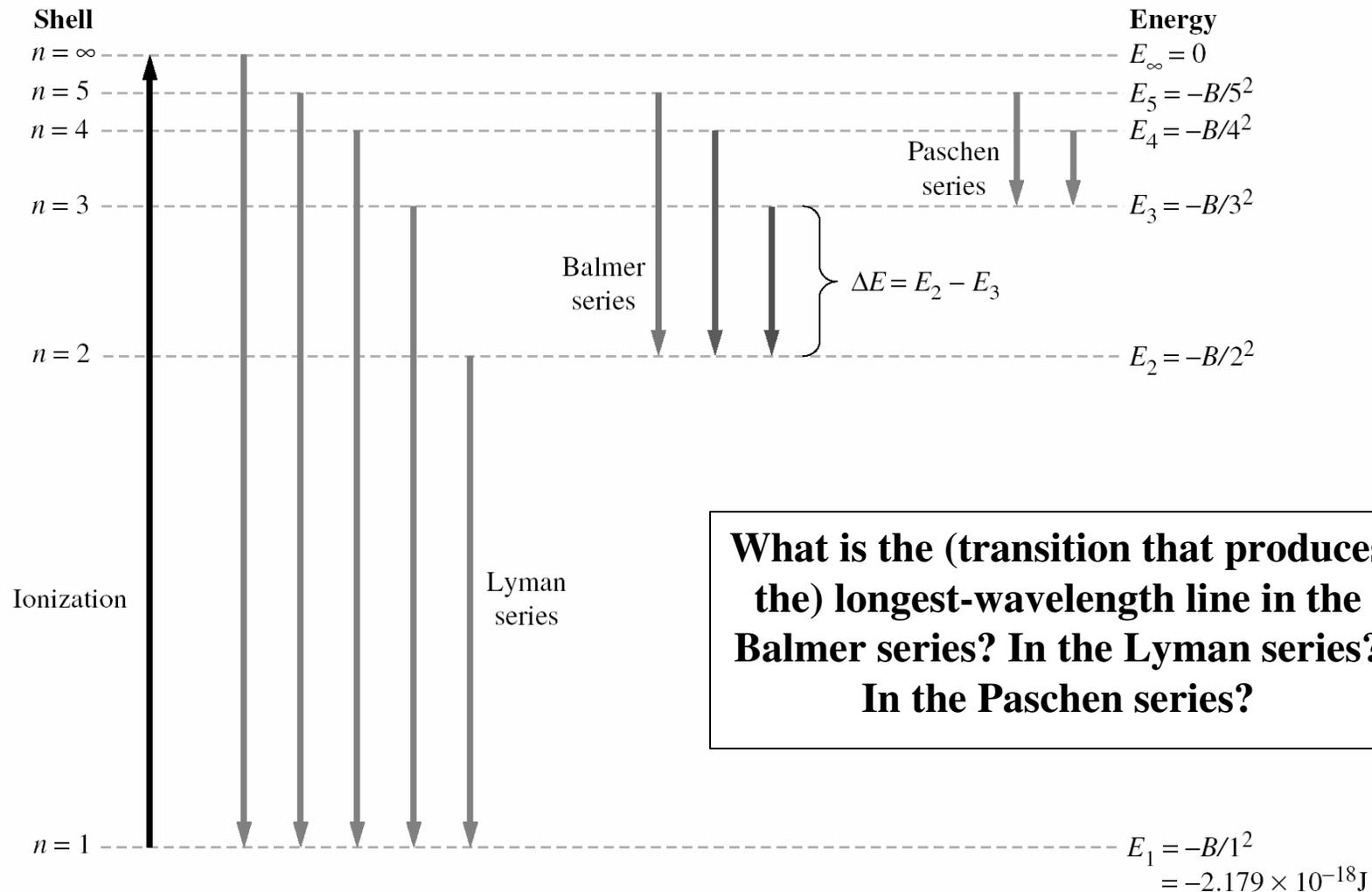
$$E_f = \frac{-B}{n_f^2} \quad \text{and} \quad E_i = \frac{-B}{n_i^2} \quad \text{so} \quad \Delta E = B \left( \frac{1}{n_f^2} - \frac{1}{n_i^2} \right)$$

- (That should be  $n_i - n_f$ )

# *Atoms*

- When an atom has all its electrons in their lowest possible energy levels, the atom is in its **GROUND STATE**
- If energy has been supplied sufficient to promote an electron to a higher level, the atom is in an **EXCITED STATE**

# Energy levels and spectral lines for hydrogen



**What is the (transition that produces the) longest-wavelength line in the Balmer series? In the Lyman series? In the Paschen series?**

# *Wave-particle duality*

- If light can act like particles of matter, can particles act like waves?
- According to DeBroglie's theories, yes!

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{mv}$$

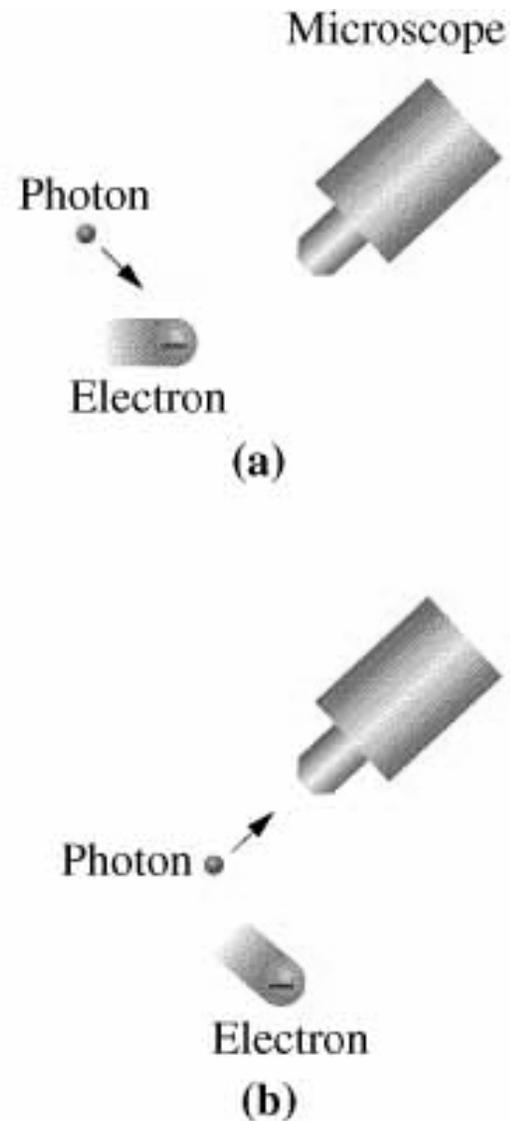
# *Particles as waves*

- The Bohr model is mostly classical, but if the particles are treated as waves, *quantum* or *wave mechanics* are needed
- In 1926 Erwin Schrodinger developed a mathematical equation to describe the hydrogen atom (a *wave equation*, the solution to which is called a *wave function*)
- According to Max Born, the square of the wave function ( $\psi^2$ ) gives the probability of finding an electron in a particular volume of space in an atom

# *Particles as waves (cont'd)*

- According to Werner Heisenberg, in fact, we *cannot* know both the *exact* position and motion of a tiny particle like an electron *simultaneously*... think of it this way- the act of measuring its position changes its motion, and vice versa

$$\Delta x \Delta p \geq \frac{h}{4\pi}$$



# *Quantum numbers*

- Integral value parameters from the wave function of the hydrogen atom...
- A set of these three wave function quantum numbers (there is a fourth) is called an *atomic orbital*, a mathematical expression which allows us to visualize a 3D region in an atom where there is a significant *probability* of finding an electron

# *Quantum numbers: $n$*

The ***principal quantum number ( $n$ )***:

- Is independent of the other two quantum numbers.
- Can only be a positive integer ( $n = 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$ )
- The ***size*** of an orbital and its electron energy depend on the value of  $n$ .
- Orbitals with the same value of  $n$  are said to be in the same ***principal shell***.

# Quantum numbers: 1

The **orbital angular momentum quantum number ( $l$ )**:

- Determines the **shape** of the orbital.
- Can have positive integer values from  $0, 1, 2, \dots, (n - 1)$
- Orbitals having the same values of  $n$  and of  $l$  are said to be in the same **subshell**.

Value of $l$	0	1	2	3
Subshell	$s$	$p$	$d$	$f$

- Each orbital designation represents a different region of space and a different shape.

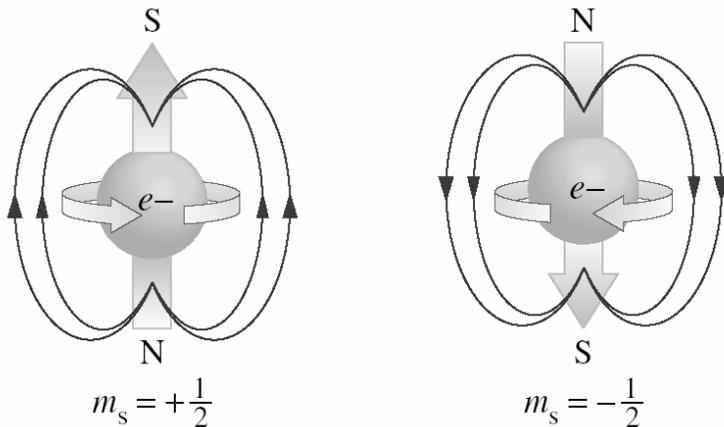
## *Quantum numbers: $m_l$*

The ***magnetic quantum number ( $m_l$ )***:

- Determines the ***orientation*** in space of the orbitals of any given type in a subshell.
- Can be any integer from  $-l$  to  $+l$
- The number of possible values for  $m_l$  is  $(2l + 1)$ , and this determines the number of orbitals in a subshell.

# *Electron spin: $m_s$*

- The ***electron spin quantum number ( $m_s$ )*** explains some of the finer features of atomic emission spectra.
- The number can have two values:  $+1/2$  and  $-1/2$ .



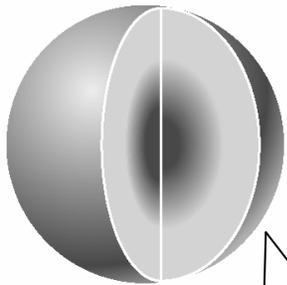
- The spin refers to a magnetic field induced by the moving electric charge of the electron as it spins.
- The magnetic fields of two electrons with opposite spins cancel one another; there is no net magnetic field for the pair.

# *Quantum numbers (summary)*

- Principal quantum number ( $n$ )
  - energy level
  - 1,2,3,4,5,.....
- Orbital angular momentum (azimuthal) quantum number ( $l$ )
  - shape
  - 0,1,2,3,...( $n-1$ ) (s,p,d,f)
- Magnetic quantum number ( $m_l$ )
  - direction
  - 0, +/-1, +/-2,...+/- $l$
- Spin quantum number ( $m_s$ )
  - +  $\frac{1}{2}$ , -  $\frac{1}{2}$

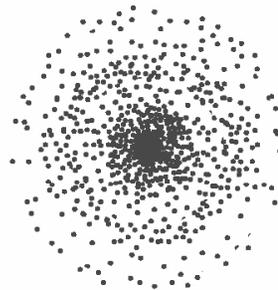
# The 1s orbital

- The 1s orbital ( $n = 1, l = 0, m_l = 0$ ) has *spherical* symmetry.
- An electron in this orbital spends most of its time near the nucleus.



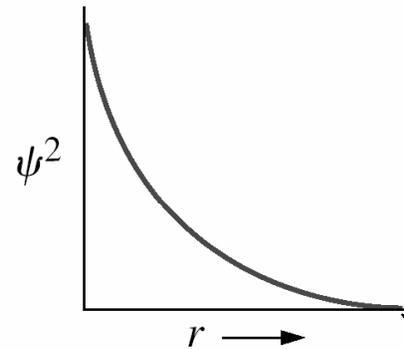
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**Spherical symmetry;  
probability of finding  
the electron is the same  
in each direction.**

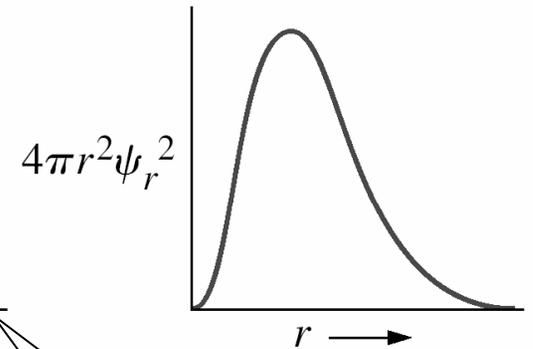


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**The electron  
cloud doesn't  
"end" here ...**



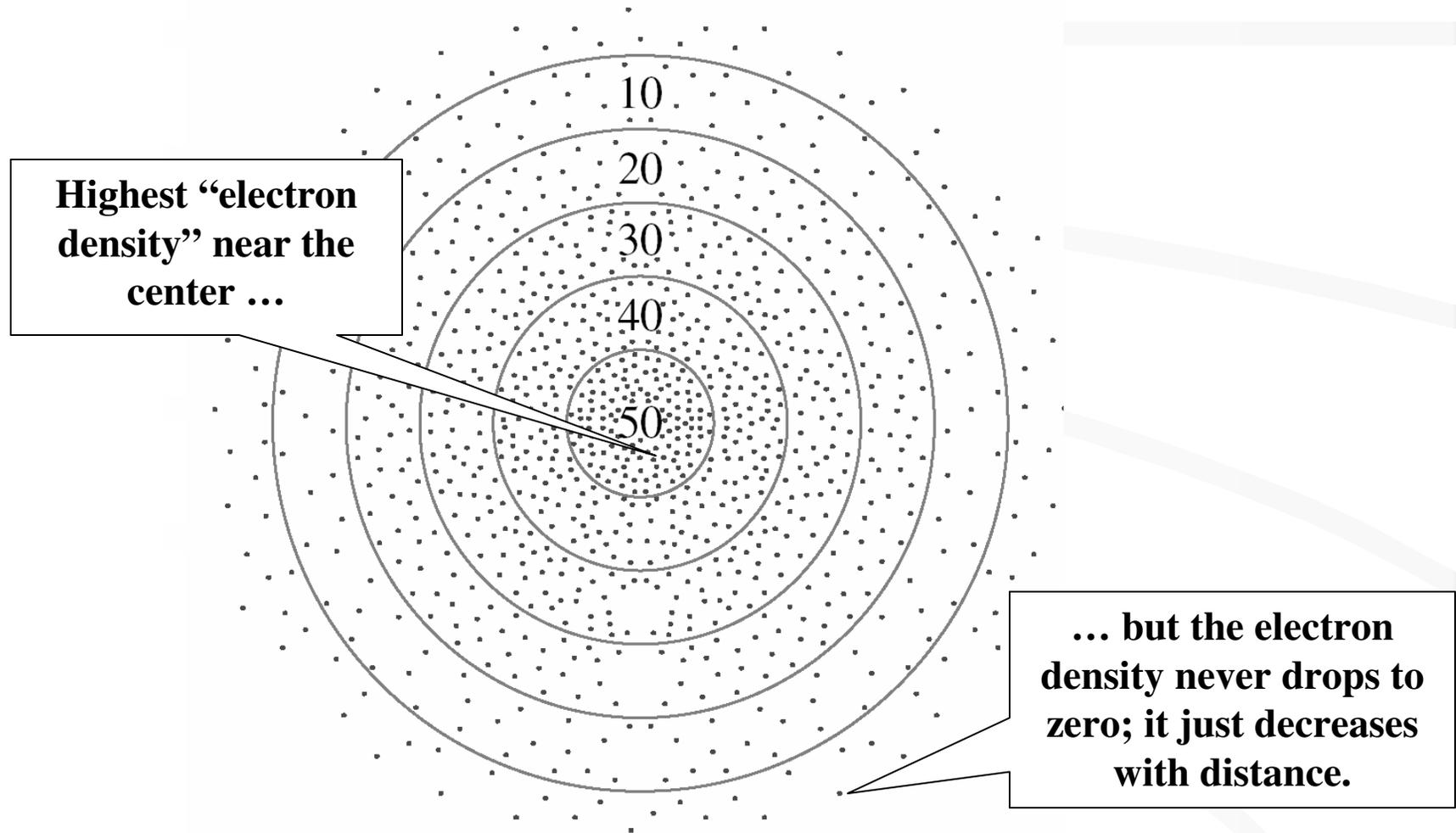
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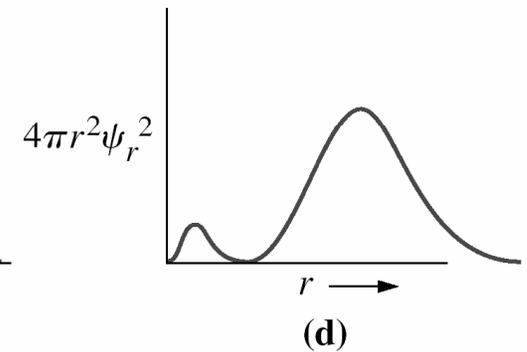
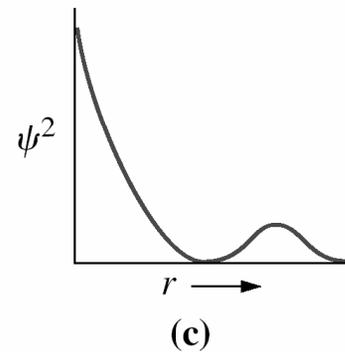
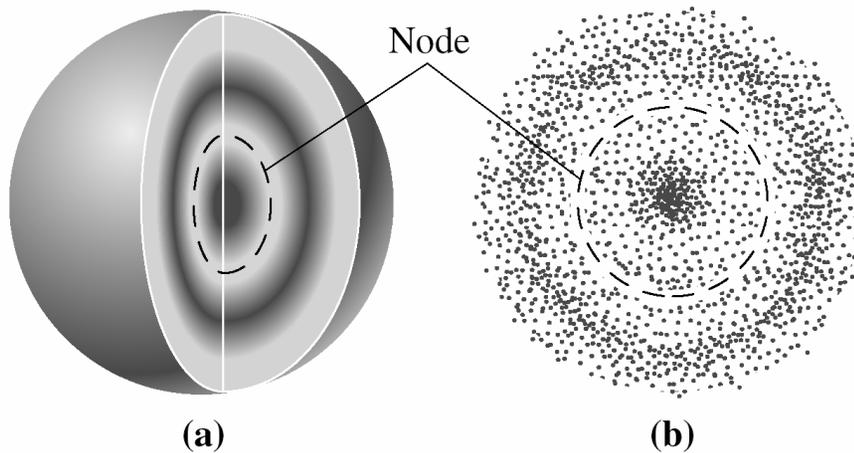
**... the electron just  
spends very little  
time farther out.**

# *Analogy to the 1s orbital*

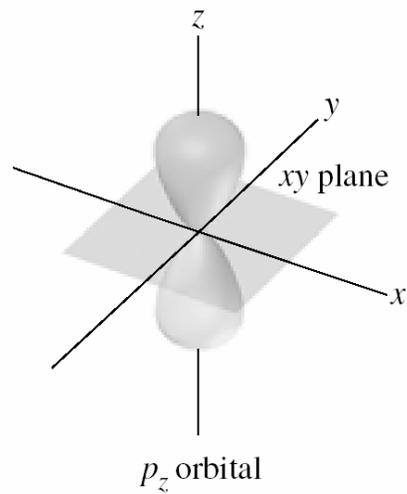
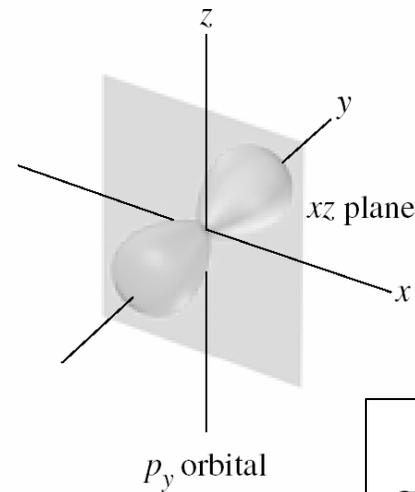
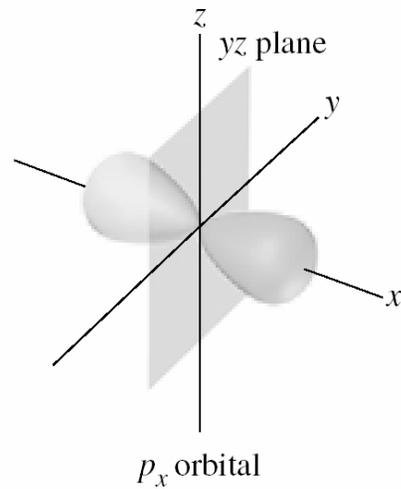


# The 2s orbital

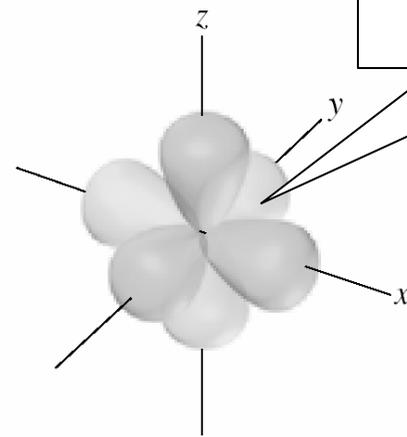
- The 2s orbital has two concentric, spherical regions of high electron probability.
- The region near the nucleus is separated from the outer region by a **node**—a region (a spherical shell in this case) in which the electron probability is zero.



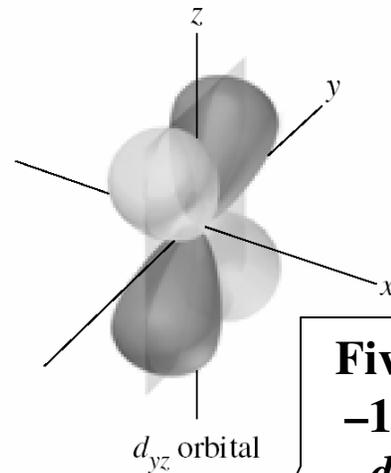
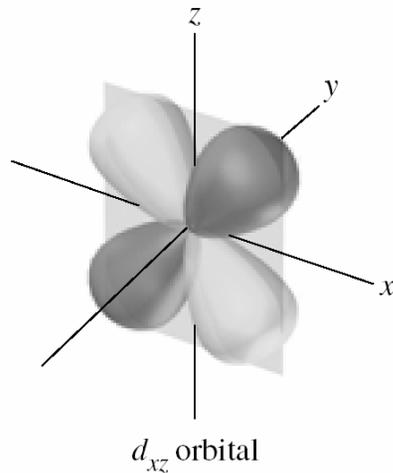
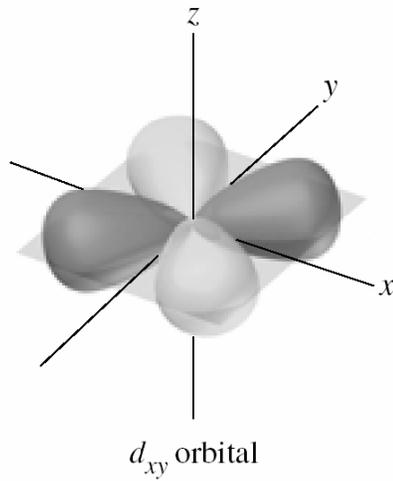
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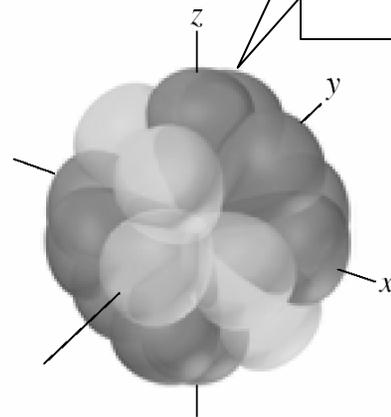
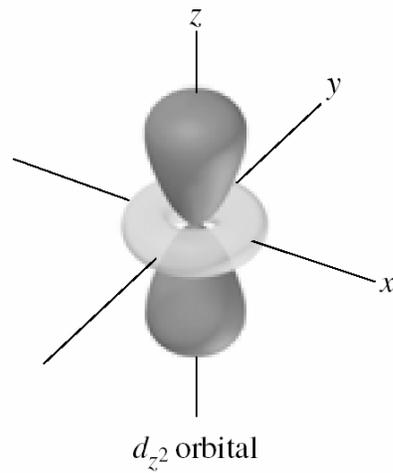
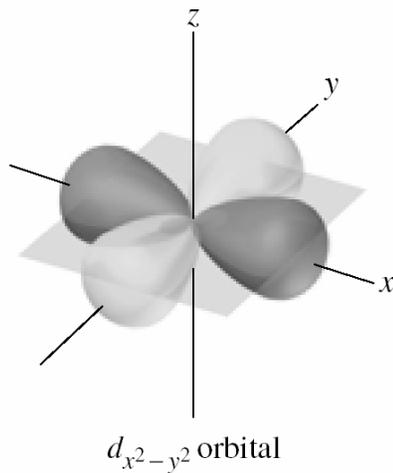
**Three values of  $m_l$   
gives three  $p$  orbitals  
in the  $p$  subshell.**



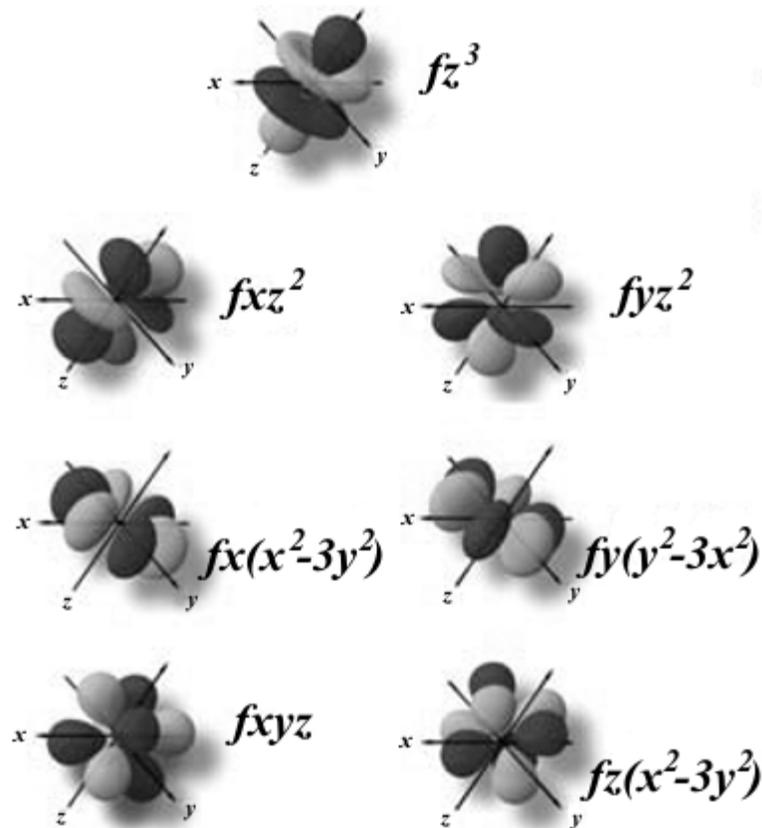
# *The five d orbitals*



**Five values of  $m_l$  (-2, -1, 0, 1, 2) gives five  $d$  orbitals in the  $d$  subshell.**



# *The seven f orbitals*



Seven values of  $m_l$   
(-3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3)  
gives seven  $f$  orbitals  
in the  $f$  subshell.