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Quantum Theory - Electron Configurations

Notation:

n is Q# → $n\ l \ #$

l is sublevel
(s, p, d, or f)

For an Atom

- ▷ list of occupied sublevels
- ▷ shows # of electrons in each sublevel

number of electrons
in each sublevel.

* unpaired go first and identical spin.

Hund's Rule:

lowest energy arrangement of electrons
is an unfilled sublevel is the one
that maximizes the # of electrons with
identical spin.

Types of Electrons

CORE

Tightly bound, innermost
filled lower E levels
unaffected by chem react.

VALENCE

Outermost e⁻s
involved in chem bonding

The noble gas core electron configuration

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for Na is [Ne] 3s¹ ← VALENCE
CORE →

Valence Electrons For main group elements: Outer most s electrons
and all electrons in partially filled sublevels.

For main group elements: per s & per p e⁻s

period # = n