Resumé

What is Science?

<u>Domain:</u> Science and the physical world <u>Assumptions:</u> A rational, causal, and understandable universe <u>Methodology:</u> "The Scientific Method" <u>Observation, Hypothesis, Prediction, Testing</u>

The Copernican Revolution

Classical Cosmology: The Ptolemaic System The Copernican Revolution: "The Earth Moves" Motivation and objectives Improvements: Kepler Tests: Galileo and Observational Astronomy

The Newtonian Revolution

Galileo: Experimental Physics Newton's Mechanics: Fundamental "Laws of Nature" Newton's Mathematical Physics Newtonian Gravity

Matter and Energy

Einstein (1905)

 $E = mc^2$



(Nagasaki: 9 August 1945)

Pythagoras (c. 569-475 BCE)

The Pythagorean Theorem:

$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$



Matter and Energy

Albert Einstein: The Special Theory of Relativity*

"On the Electrodynamics of Moving Bodies" (1905)

Motivation Galileo's Principle of Relativity (1632) and Newtonian Relativity (1687)

Maxwell's Electromagnetism (1864)

The Michelson-Morley Experiment (1897)

One implication of Special Relativity is the equivalence of mass and energy

$E = mc^2$

where c = 2.99792 x 10⁸ m s⁻¹ is the speed of light in vacuum.is a consequence/prediction of Special relativity - but what does it mean?

* Einstein's Doctoral Dissertation (1905) was on statistical molecular theory of liquids. He then provided an explanation for <u>Brownian Motion</u> (Brown 1828), showed that atoms and molecules were "real", and even provided a way to determine their dimensions.

Conservation Laws

Mass and Energy

Before 1905

• "Matter can be neither created nor destroyed" (The total amount of mass within a closed system remains constant.)

• "Energy can be neither created nor destroyed"

(The total amount of energy within a closed system remains constant.)

After 1905

• "Mass-Energy can be neither created nor destroyed" (The total amount of mass-energy within a closed system remains constant.)

Digression: Empirical Conservation Laws in isolated systems

- Mass-Energy (Gravitational interaction)
- Electrical Charge (Electromagnetic interaction)
- Linear and Angular Momenta (Translation and Rotation)
- Color Charge (Strong interaction)
- Flavor (Weak interaction)

and "almost always" Baryon number, Lepton number, parity, CP symmetry,

The Nature of Matter: From Anaxagoras to Einstein



Aristotle (384-322 BCE)

Analogues of the "Classical Elements" in other traditions and disciplines

Digression: The Phases of Matter



The Fifth Element: Electromagnetic and Luminiferous Ethers? Quintessence?

The Structure of Matter: The Chemical Elements

Alchemy

Objectives: Transmutation of Base Metals into Gold The *Panacea* and the Elixir of Life Alchemy : Chemistry :: Astrology : Astronomy Astrological-Alchemical Associations

(Gold⇔Sun, Silver⇔Moon, Mercury⇔Mercury, Copper⇔Venus, Iron⇔Mars, Tin⇔Jupiter, Lead⇔Saturn)

Atoms and Chemistry

Anaxagoras (500 - 428 BCE) and Democritus (450 - 370 BCE)

A Causal Universe Atoms and Atomism (and "Void") Atomic Shapes & Characteristics and Atomic Bonding

Empirical (Experimental) Gas Laws

Robert Boyle (1627 - 1691) *et al.* PV = constant (at fixed Temperature, T) Charles (1787) & Gay-Lussac (1802) V/T = constant (at fixed Pressure, P) Gas Law: PV/T = constant (at fixed number N = M/m)

Kinetic Theory of Gases Newtonian Mechanics and the Ideal Gas Law: PV = NkT Bernoulli (1700-1782). Here k is Boltzmann's Constant.

The Chemical Elements

Antoine Lavoisier (1744 - 1794)

 Distinguished Elements (as atoms) from Molecules
Composition of Air and Water: Hydrogen, Oxygen, Nitrogen
Element Identification: H, N, O, P, Hg, Zn, S, ... (..... including light and caloric as elements)
"Phlogiston" and "Calx" versus Lavoisier's "Caloric"
Combustion CO₂ and Animal Metabolism, Metric System, also
Principle: The Conservation of Mass

Principle: The Conservation of (Heat) Energy



The Chemical Elements

John Dalton (1766 - 1844)

Definition:

An atom of an element is the smallest unit which possesses the chemical properties of that element. (cf. Democritus)

Observation:

In combinations (molecules) the ratios of elemental weights are ratios of integers. Examples: CO = 12:16 CO₂ = 12:32 H₂O = 2:16 CH₄ = 12:4

(...implying relative <u>atomic</u> weights for H, C, and O of 1, 12, and 16, respectively.)

Michael Faraday (1791 - 1867)

Combining properties of atoms Laws of Electrolysis: The Binding Forces in Molecules are Electrical!

Chemical bonds and integer Valences.

(H = +1, C = +4, O = -2, ..)

The Chemical Elements

Dimitri Mendeleev (1834 - 1907)

The Periodic Table of the Elements (1869)

Chemical Properties and Atomic Weights

Atomic Weights (Dalton's weight ratios) Avogadro's Number, N* A (and Z) What does a particular element combine with - or not? What are the combination ratios? (see: *Valence*) How strong is the binding? (see: *Electrolysis*)

Periodicities in chemical properties Trends with Atomic Weight Atomic Number Abundance trends Predictions of "Elements to be Discovered" - and their properties (Ge, Ga, Sc, ..) * N = 6.022 x 10²³ entities per mole; 1 mole = A grams of the entity

Cautionary digression on patterns: Planets and the "Law" of Titus-Bode 10a = n + 4 with n = 0, 3, 6 (Earth), 12, 24, 48, 96, 192, 384,...(but Ceres didn't fit - nor do Neptune, Pluto, ..)



Note: There are 92 naturally occurring elements, These include numbers 1 through 94 except numbers 43 (Technetium) and 61 (Promethium). The others are "synthetic" short-lived radioactive species. Californium (98) is observed in stars but not found on Earth.

The Atomic View of Matter

An Historical Summary

Democritus (450-370 BCE) and Anaxagoras (500-428 BCE) "Is matter discrete or continuous?"

Daniel Bernoulli (1700 -1782)

Boyle's Law, Pressure, and Temperature interpreted via Newtonian Mechanics

Antoine Lavoisier (1744-1794) Identification of Elements & Molecules Phlogiston Theory Disproved Conservation of Mass and Energy (caloric)

John Dalton (1766 - 1844) Definition of "Chemical Element" Molecules and their Constituent Proportions by Weight (CO, CO₂; H₂, O₂, H₂O; CH₄)

Humpry Davy (1778 - 1829)

Electrolysis Proportions by Volume and by Weight (Electrolysis of Water as an example)

The Atomic View of Matter

Dimitri Mendeleev (1834 - 1907)

The Periodic Table of the Chemical Elements Atomic Numbers & Atomic Weights

Albert Einstein (1879 - 1955)

Explanation of **Brownian Motion** (Robert Brown 1827) (Particles within in pollen grain vacuoles. Dust.)

Digression

Statistics and Statistical Processes in Nature (See also the Kinetic Theory of Gases)

Note: Atoms first "directly observed" via X-Ray Diffraction by Crystals (1912)

Atoms and Energy: Special Relativity

Albert Einstein (1879 - 1955)

(Also: Brownian Motion, The Photoelectric Effect, General Theory of Relativity)

The Special Theory of Relativity "On the Electrodynamics of Moving Bodies" (1905) E = mc²

Conclusions and clarifications regarding Mass and Energy (Einstein)

• The <u>total</u> energy of a moving mass is $E = mc^2$ or $E = \gamma m_0 c^2$

where m_0 is the <u>rest mass</u>, $m = \gamma m_0$ is the <u>inertial mass</u> and $\gamma = [1 - (v/c)^2]^{-1}$ is the <u>Lorentz Factor</u> $E_0 = m_0 c^2$ is the <u>rest energy</u> (the energy if v = 0), and $(E - E_0) = (\gamma - 1)m_0 c^2$ is the <u>kinetic energy</u> associated with the motion

Newton: The <u>only</u> energy is the Kinetic Energy associated with the motion i.e., $E = (1/2)mv^2$... and E = 0 for v = 0

Special Relativity Some Other (testable and much tested) Consequences*:

Inertial Mass: $m = \gamma m_o$ Newton: $m = m_o$

Fitzgerald-Lorentz Contraction: $L = L_0 / \gamma$ Newton: $L = L_0$

> **Time Dilatation:** $\Delta t = \gamma \Delta t_o$ Newton: $\Delta t = \Delta t_o$

Addition of Velocities: $v_{rel} = (u + v)/(1 + u \cdot v/c^2) \le c$ Newton: $v_{rel} = u + v$

Transverse Doppler Effect: $v/v_0 = \gamma (1 - v_{radial}/c)$ Classical: $v/v_0 = (1 - v_{radial}/c)^*$

...as well as observing the conversion of mass to energy and vice versa.

Note that the precepts of Special Relativity apply only to inertial (unaccelerated) systems; gravitational "accelerations" were addressed in General Relativity (1915) (Newtonian Mechanics was thought applicable to both inertial and accelerated systems)