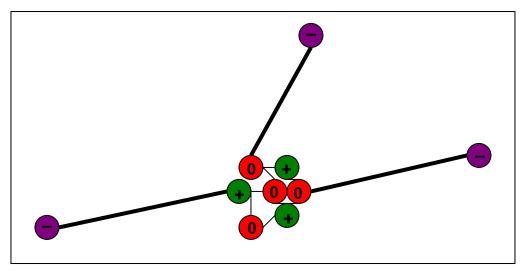
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Gumdrop Atoms Activity – Atoms Worksheet

Lithium Atom Building Instructions

- 1. You should start with 4 red gumdrops, 3 green gumdrops, 3 purple/blue/white gumdrops, a bunch of broken toothpicks, 3 wooden skewers, and 10 sticker dots.
- 2. Draw a "+" sign on three stickers, a "0" on four stickers, and a "-" sign on three stickers.
- 3. Stick the plus stickers to the green gumdrops, the minus stickers to the blue gumdrops, and the zero stickers to the red gumdrops.
- 4. Combine the plus and zero gumdrops with the broken toothpicks to form the nucleus.
- 5. Attach the minus gumdrops with the skewers to the nucleus.

Your <u>Lithium Atom</u> should look something like this:



1. What are the three parts of an atom?

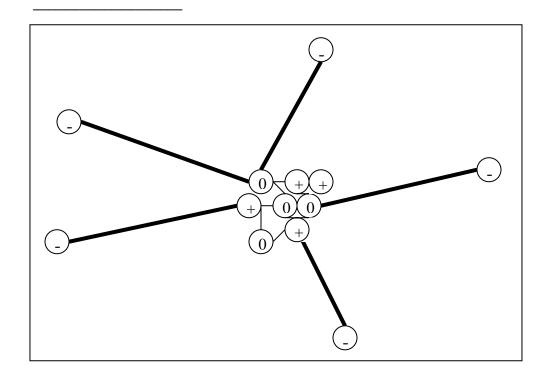
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- 2. What charge does a proton have? _____
- 3. What charge does an electron have? _____

- 4. What charge does a neutron have? _____
- 5. What charge (positive, negative, neutral) does the complete atom have?

6. If one electron (-) is removed, what charge does the atom have?

7. The atom below is Beryllium. What charge does it have?



- 8. In the above atom, color the protons pink, the neutrons yellow and the electrons blue.
- 9. What is one example of how engineers use their knowledge of atoms to create new technologies?
