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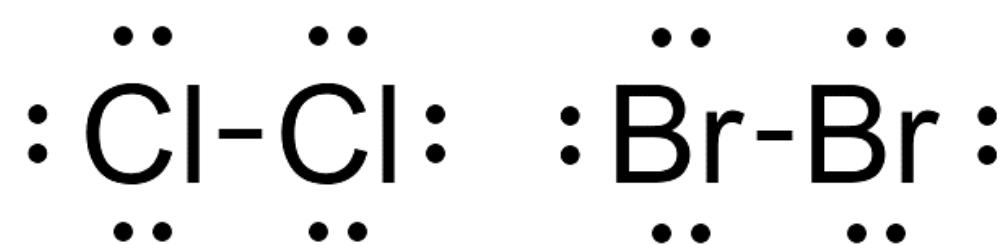
**Mass spectra of
elements**

Mass spectra

- Mass spectra of elements such as boron, iron and lead.

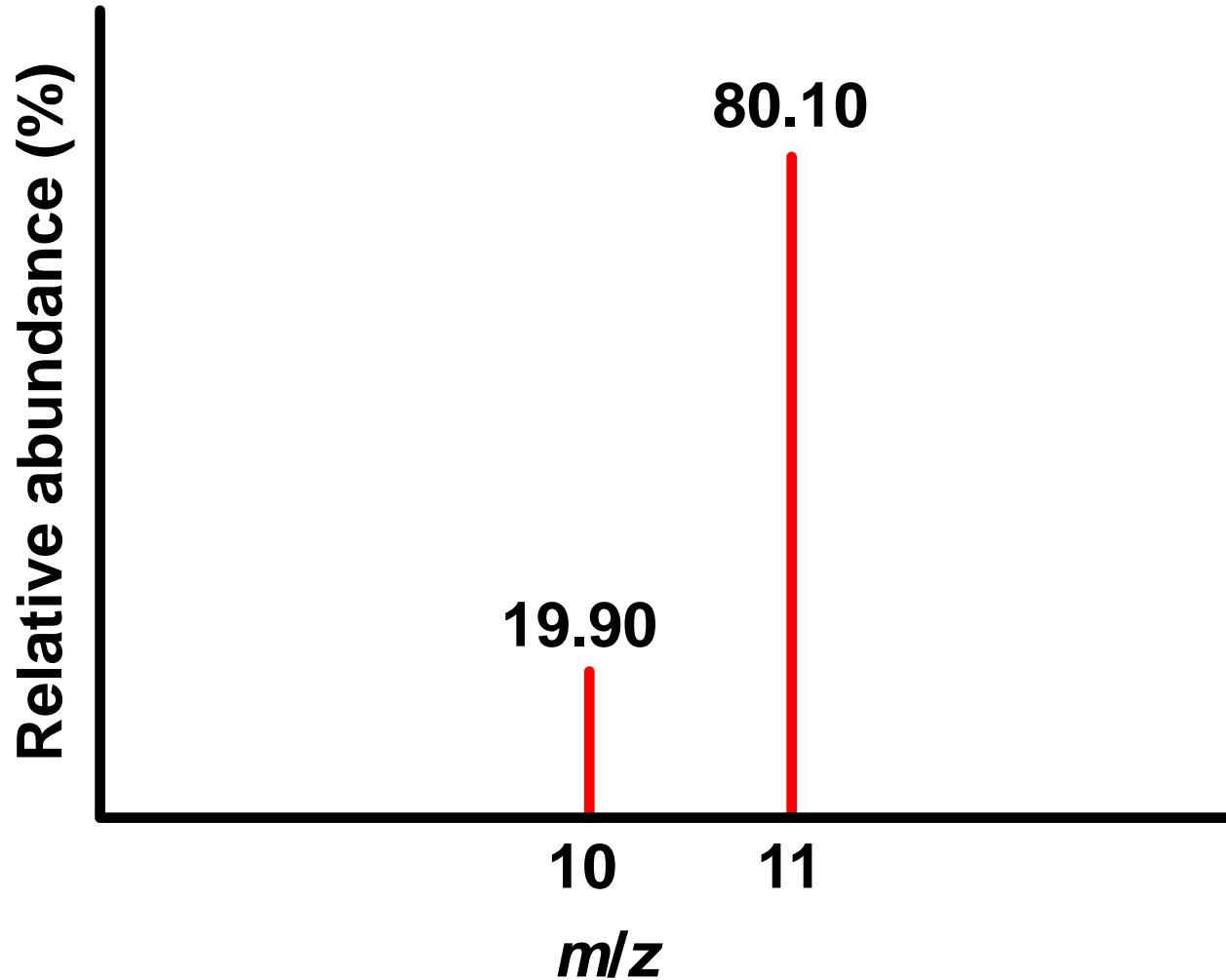
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- Mass spectra of diatomic elements such as chlorine, Cl₂, and bromine, Br₂.



Mass spectra

Mass spectrum of boron (B)



y-axis: relative abundance (%)
x-axis: mass to charge ratio (*m/z*)

Mass spectra

Relative abundance (%)

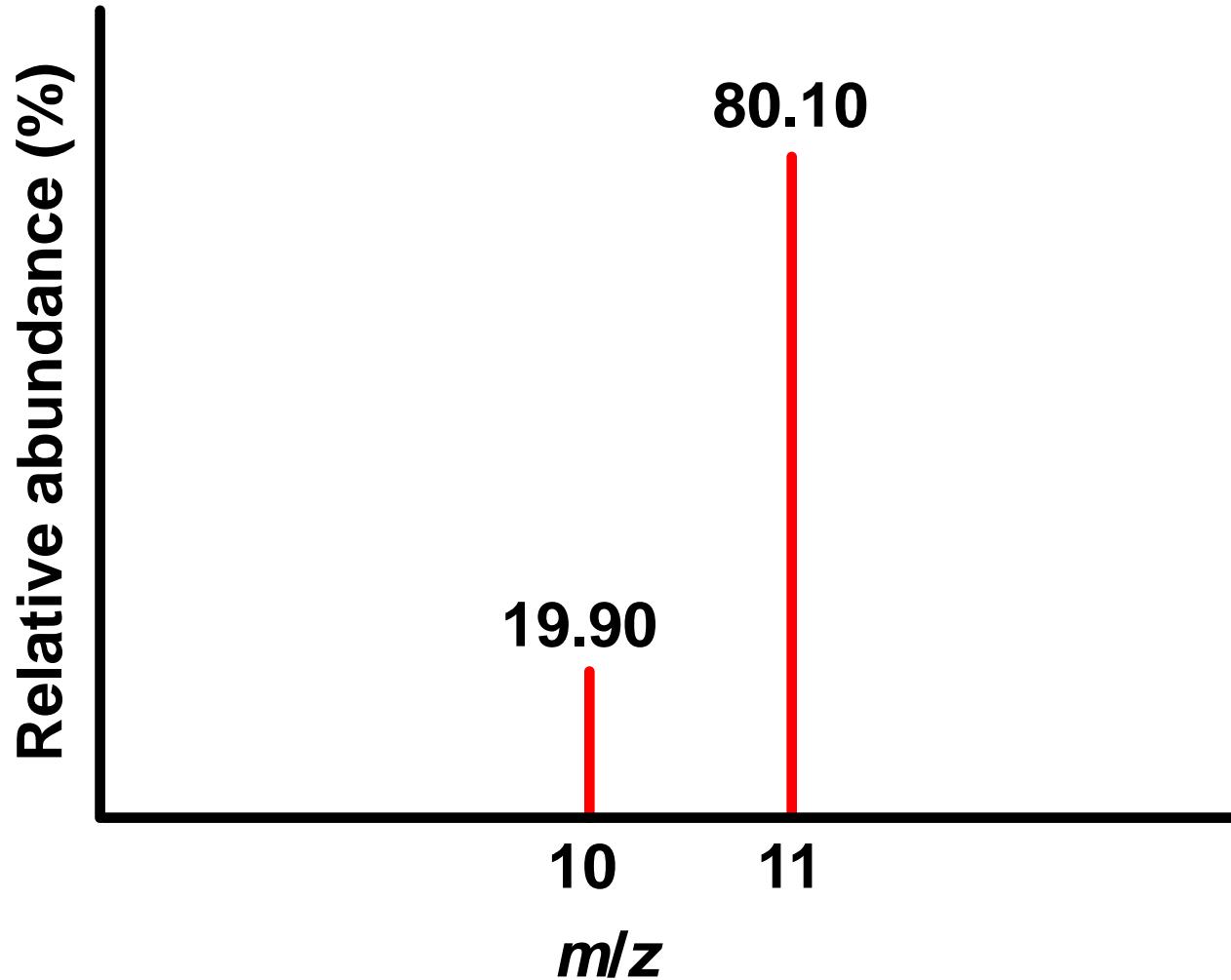
- The percentage of an isotope in a naturally occurring sample of the element.

Mass to charge ratio (m/z)

- The mass of an ion divided by its charge (tells us the mass number of the isotope).

Mass spectra

Mass spectrum of boron (B)



Isotope	Relative abundance (%)
^{10}B	19.90
^{11}B	80.10

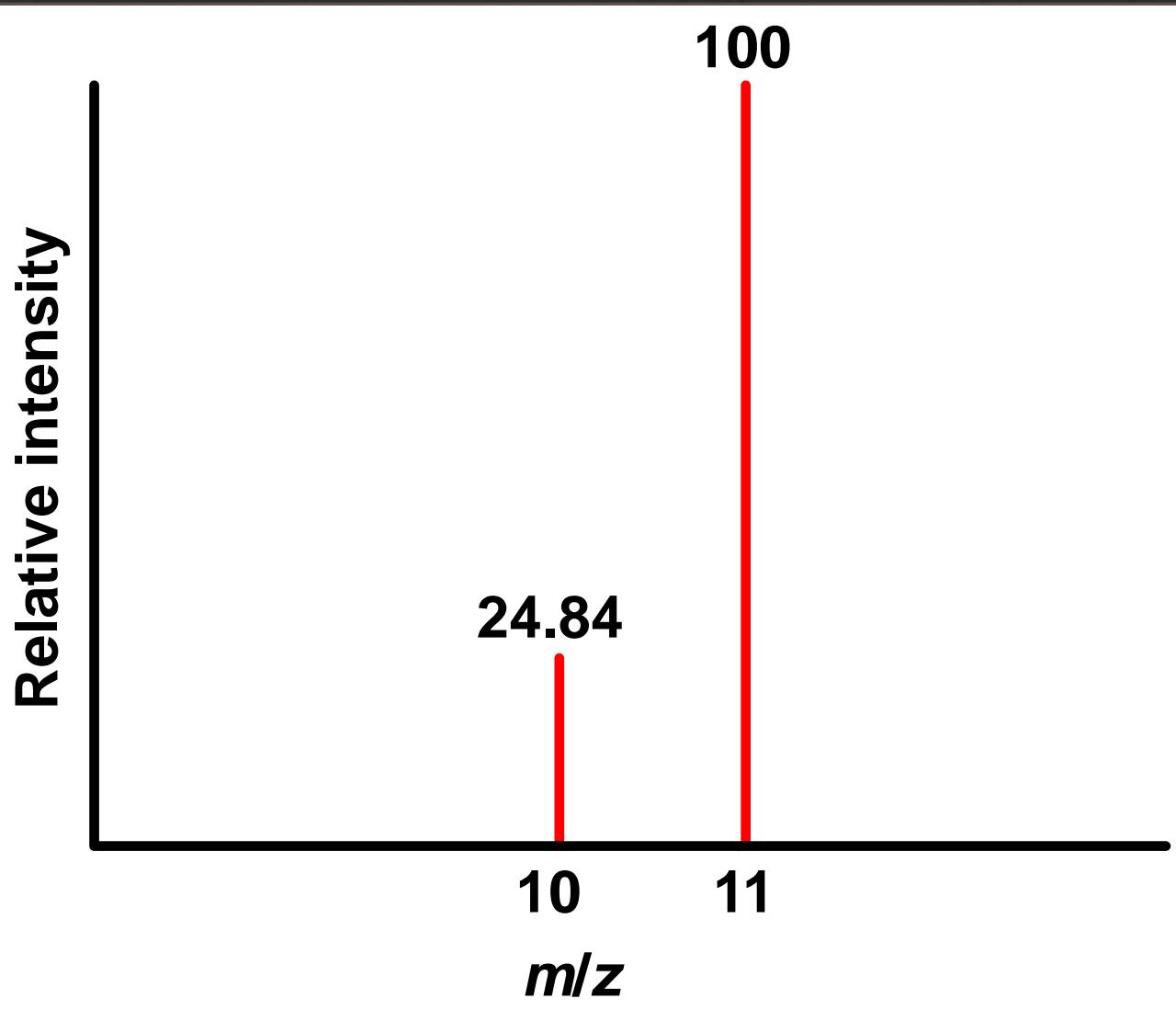
Mass spectra

Isotope	Relative abundance (%)
^{10}B	19.90
^{11}B	80.10

$$A_r = \frac{(10 \times 19.90) + (11 \times 80.10)}{100} = 10.80$$

Mass spectra

Mass spectrum of boron (B)



y-axis: relative intensity

x-axis: mass to charge ratio (m/z)

Mass spectra

Relative intensity

The amount of an ion produced in relation to the amount of the most abundant ion (the base peak) which is assigned a relative intensity of 100.

Relative intensity $^{11}\text{B}^+ = 100$

Relative intensity $^{10}\text{B}^+ = (100 / 80.10) \times 19.90 = 24.84$

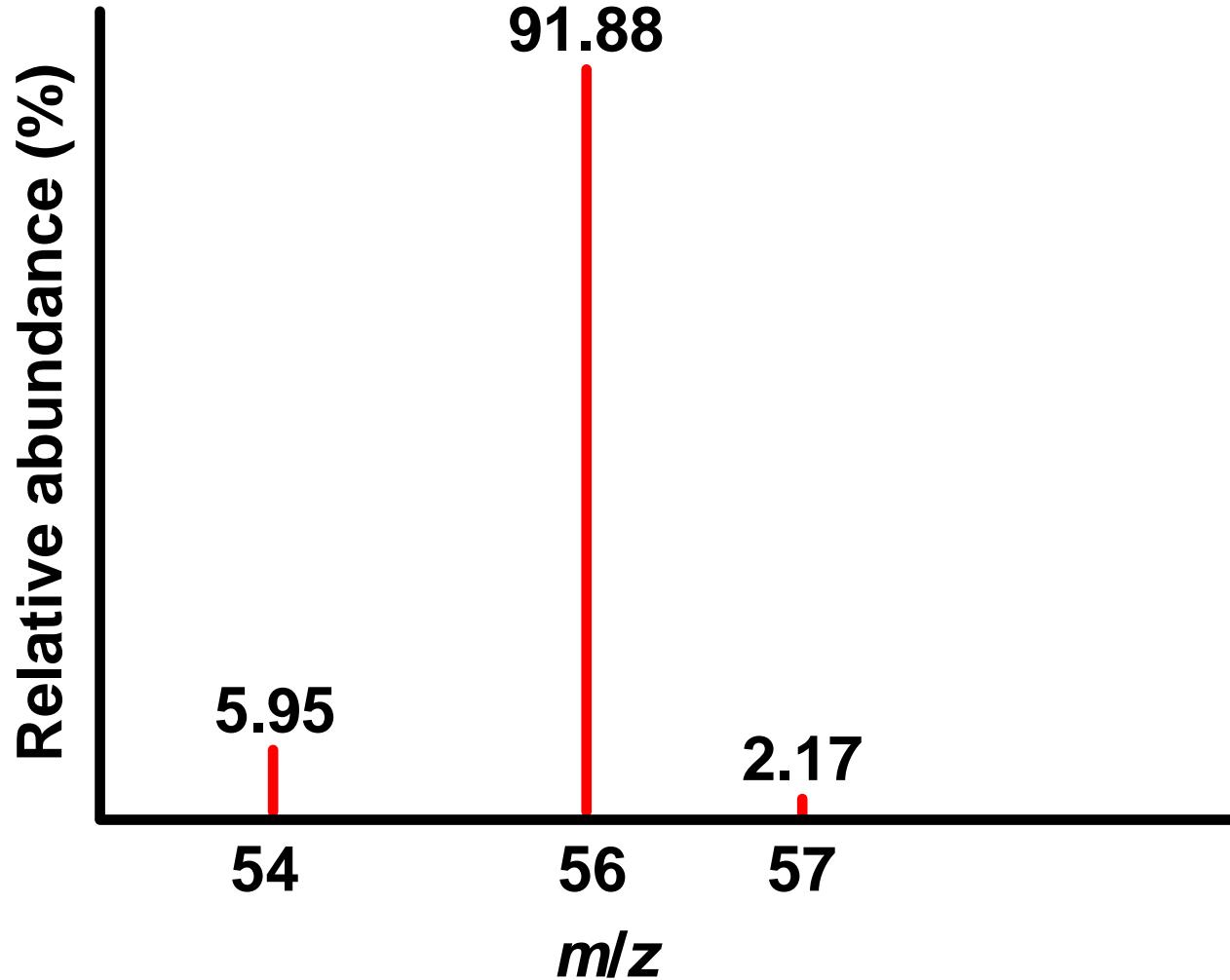
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Isotope	Relative intensity
^{10}B	24.84
^{11}B	100

$$A_r = \frac{(10 \times 24.84) + (11 \times 100)}{(24.84 + 100)} = 10.80$$

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Mass spectrum of iron (Fe)



Isotope	Relative abundance (%)
^{54}Fe	5.95
^{56}Fe	91.88
^{57}Fe	2.17

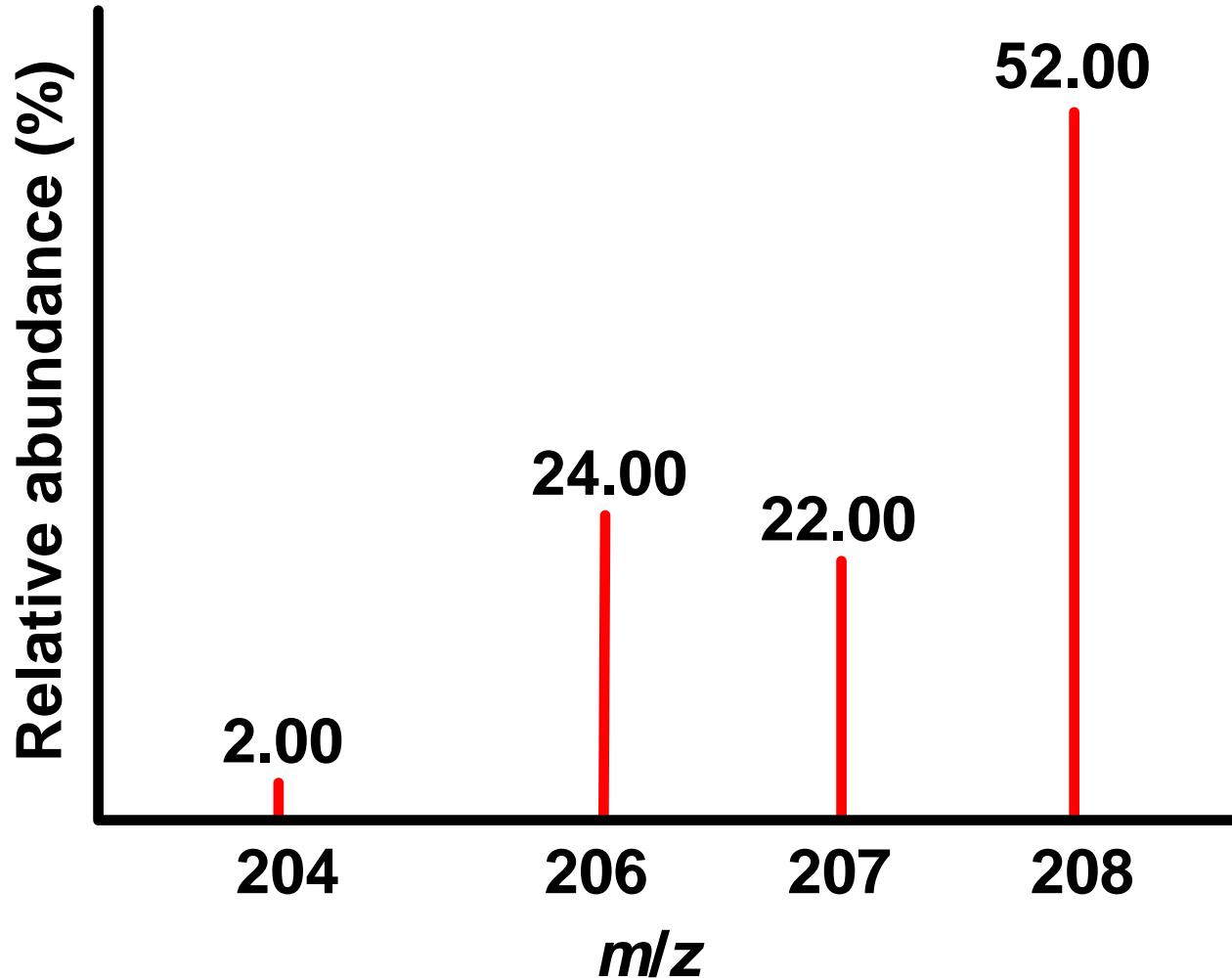
Mass spectra

Isotope	Relative abundance (%)
^{54}Fe	5.95
^{56}Fe	91.88
^{57}Fe	2.17

$$A_r = \frac{(54 \times 5.95) + (56 \times 91.88) + (57 \times 2.17)}{100} = 55.90$$

Mass spectra

Mass spectrum of lead (Pb)



Isotope	Relative abundance (%)
^{204}Pb	2.00
^{206}Pb	24.00
^{207}Pb	22.00
^{208}Pb	52.00

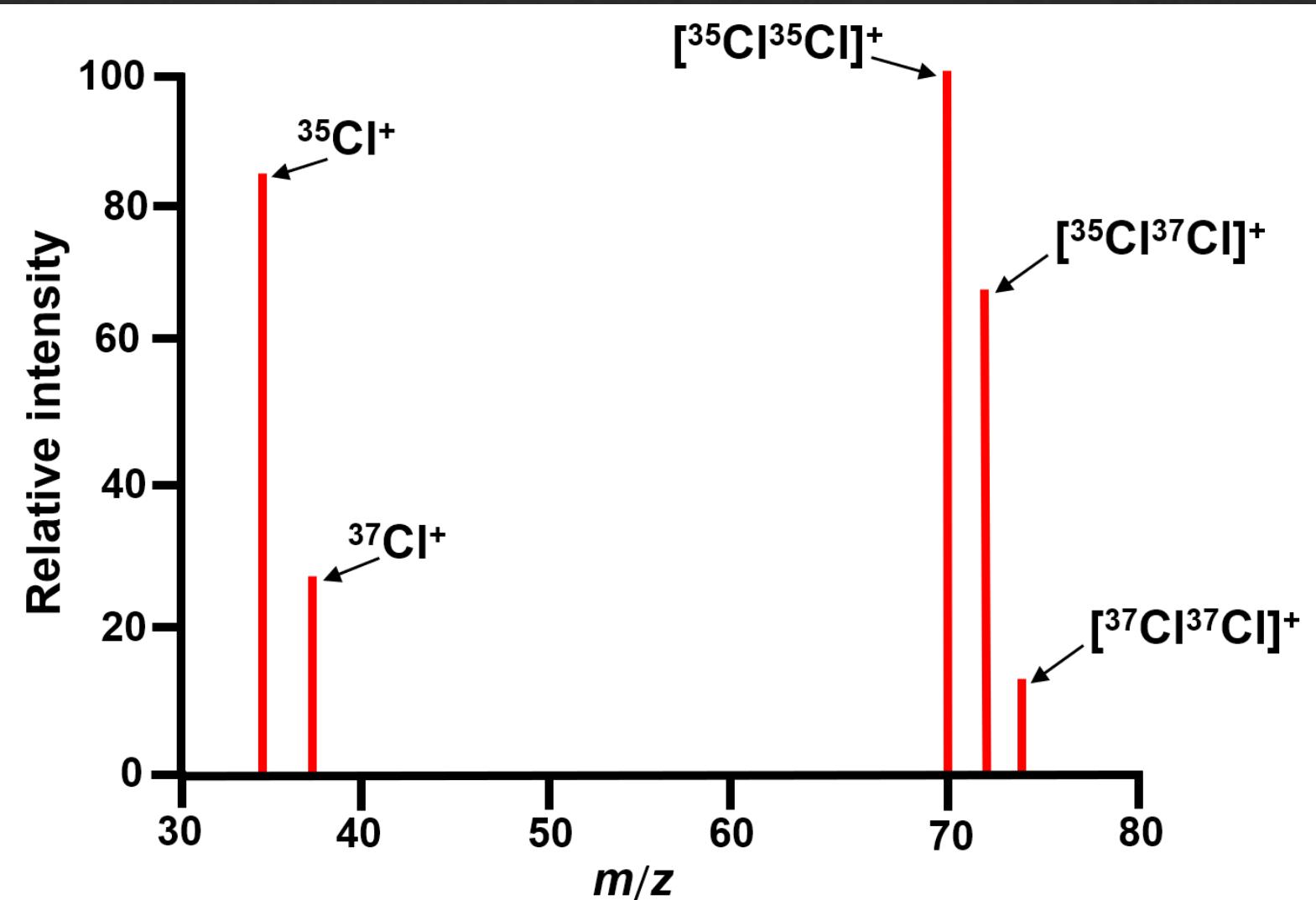
Mass spectra

Isotope	Relative abundance (%)
^{204}Pb	2.00
^{206}Pb	24.00
^{207}Pb	22.00
^{208}Pb	52.00

$$A_r = \frac{(204 \times 2.00) + (206 \times 24.00) + (207 \times 22.00) + (208 \times 52.00)}{100} = 207.20$$

Mass spectra

Mass spectrum of chlorine, Cl_2

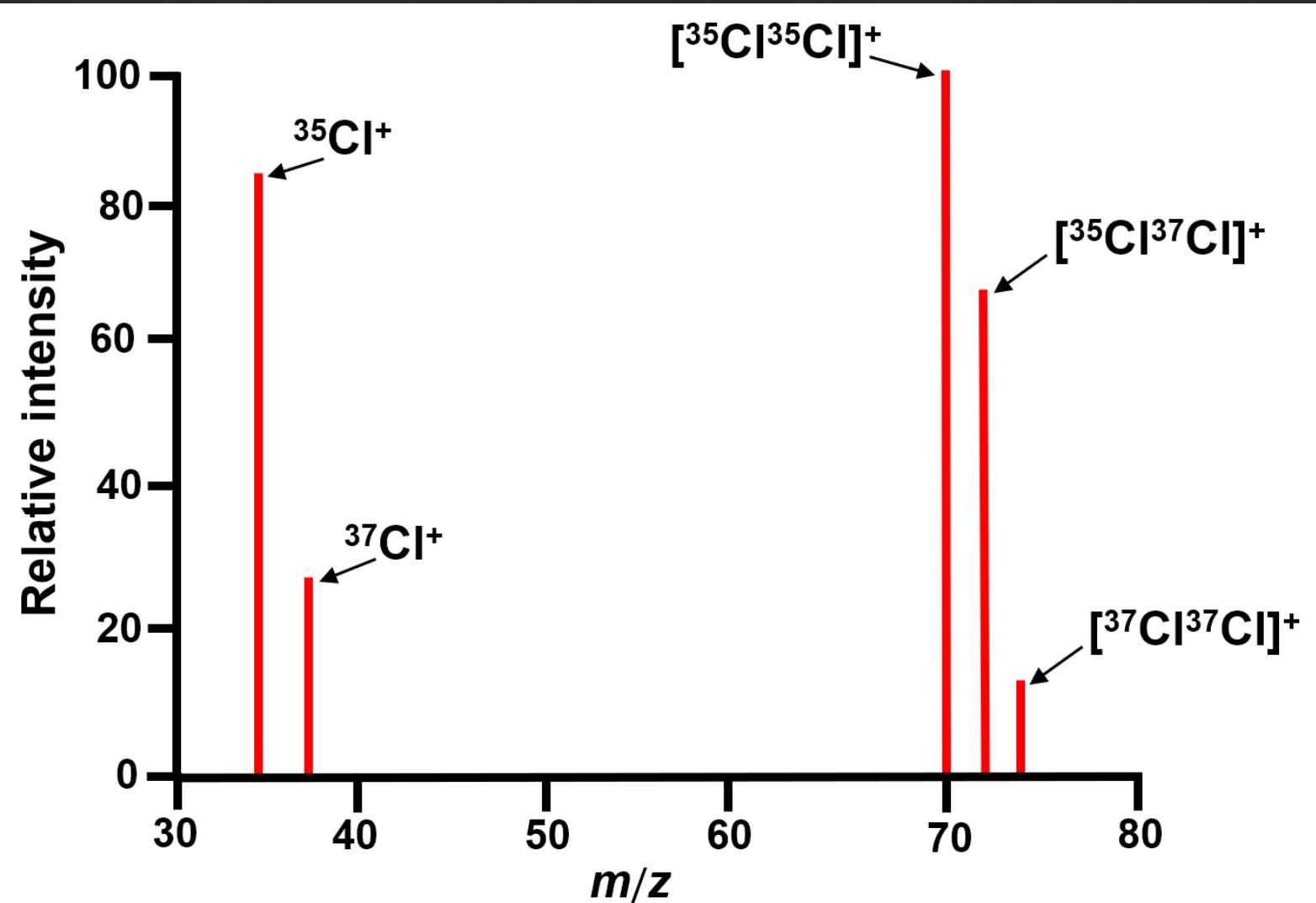


Isotope	Relative abundance (%)
Cl^{35}	75
Cl^{37}	25

$\text{Cl}^{\text{35}}\text{+} : \text{Cl}^{\text{37}}\text{+}$
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Mass spectra

Mass spectrum of chlorine, Cl_2



$[\text{Cl}^{35}\text{Cl}^{35}]^+ \quad m/z = 70$

$[\text{Cl}^{35}\text{Cl}^{37}]^+ \quad m/z = 72$

$[\text{Cl}^{37}\text{Cl}^{37}]^+ \quad m/z = 74$

$[\text{Cl}^{35}\text{Cl}^{35}]^+ : 9$

$[\text{Cl}^{35}\text{Cl}^{37}]^+ : 6$

$[\text{Cl}^{37}\text{Cl}^{37}]^+ : 1$

Mass spectra

Molecular ions	<i>m/z</i>	Relative intensities
$[^{35}\text{Cl}^{35}\text{Cl}]^+$	70	100
$[^{37}\text{Cl}^{35}\text{Cl}]^+$	72	66.67
$[^{37}\text{Cl}^{37}\text{Cl}]^+$	74	11.11

$$M_r = \frac{(70 \times 100) + (72 \times 66.67) + (74 \times 11.11)}{(100 + 66.67 + 11.11)} = 71.00$$

Mass spectra

Chlorine has two isotopes, ^{35}Cl and ^{37}Cl , with abundances of 75 % and 25 % respectively (3:1 ratio).

m/z	^{35}Cl	^{35}Cl	^{35}Cl	^{37}Cl
^{35}Cl	70	70	70	72
^{35}Cl	70	70	70	72
^{35}Cl	70	70	70	72
^{37}Cl	72	72	72	74



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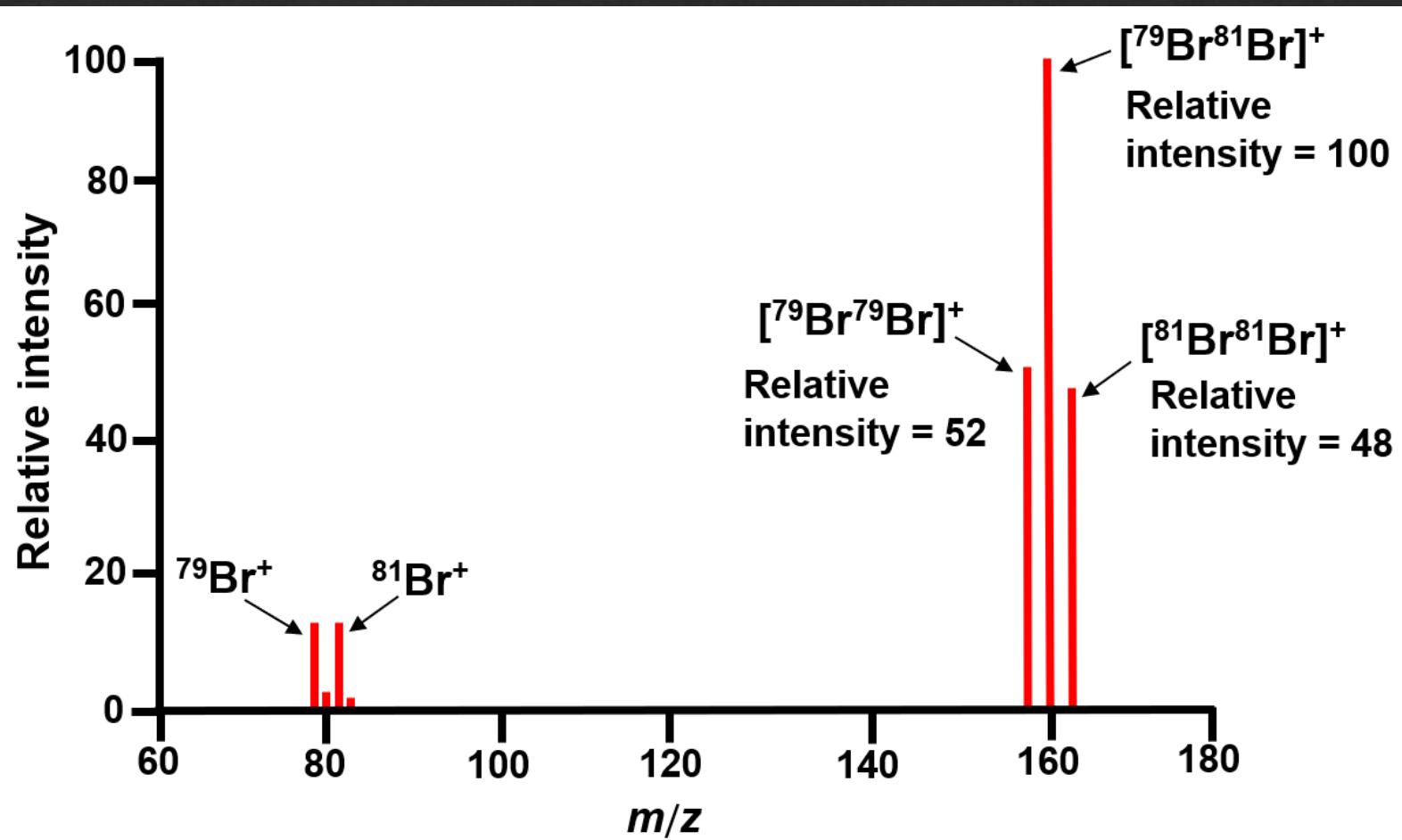
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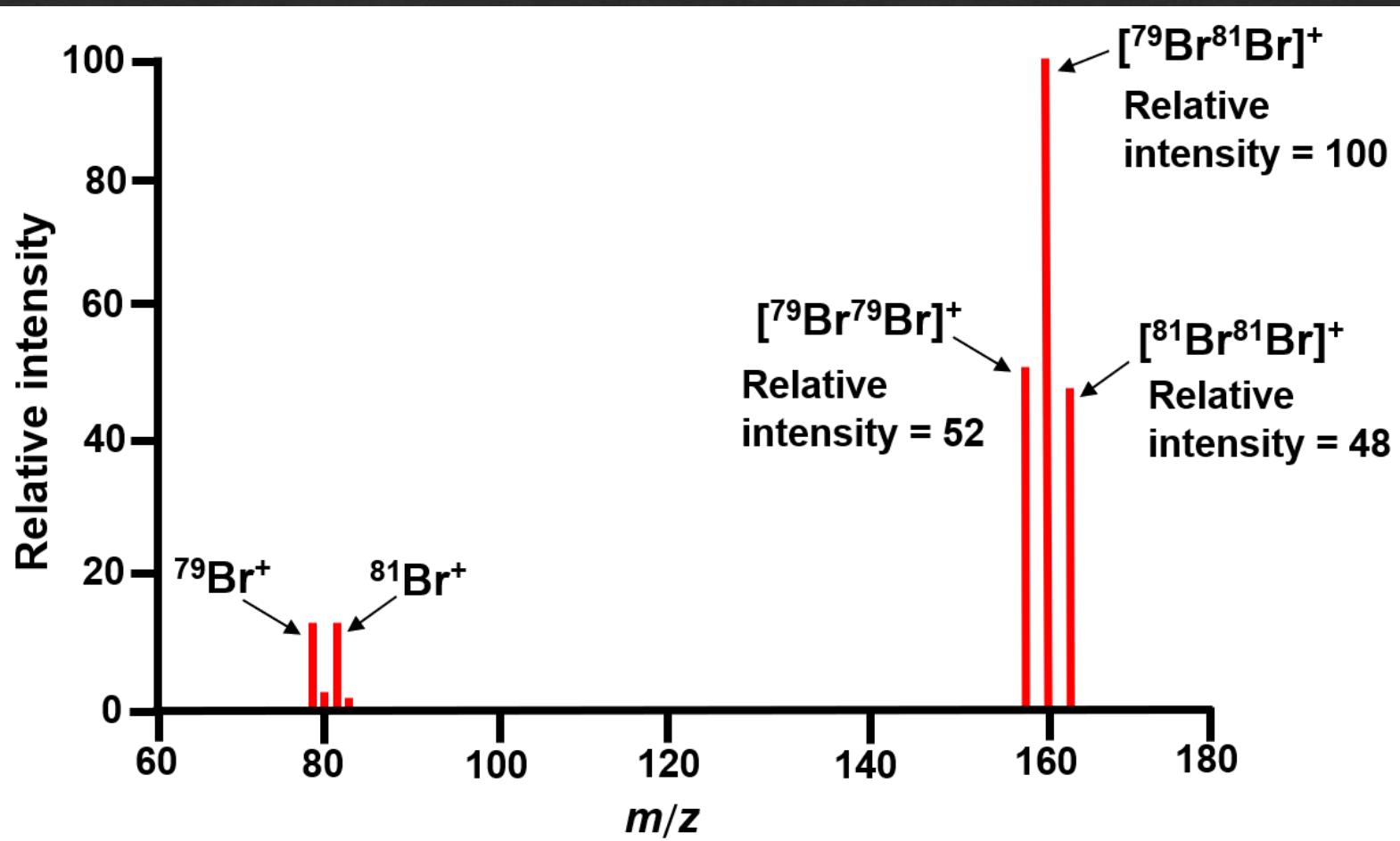
Mass spectrum of bromine, Br_2



Isotope	Relative abundance (%)
${}^{79}\text{Br}$	50.69
${}^{81}\text{Br}$	49.31

Mass spectra

Mass spectrum of bromine, Br_2



Mass spectra

Molecular ions	<i>m/z</i>	Relative intensities
$[{}^{79}\text{Br}{}^{79}\text{Br}]^+$	158	52
$[{}^{79}\text{Br}{}^{81}\text{Br}]^+$	160	100
$[{}^{81}\text{Br}{}^{81}\text{Br}]^+$	162	48

$$M_r = \frac{(158 \times 52) + (160 \times 100) + (162 \times 48)}{(52 + 100 + 48)} = 159.96$$