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• Write the ground state electron configuration of the Ca<sup>2+</sup> cation.

$$1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6$$

List the quantum numbers  $(n, l, m_l, m_s)$  that describe any one of the electrons in the ground state  $Ca^{2+}$  cation.

$$1s^2$$
:  $n = 1$ ,  $l = 0$ ,  $m_l = 0$  and  $m_s = +\frac{1}{2}$  or  $-\frac{1}{2}$ 

$$2s^2$$
:  $n = 2$ ,  $l = 0$ ,  $m_l = 0$  and  $m_s = +\frac{1}{2}$  or  $-\frac{1}{2}$ 

$$2p^6$$
:  $n = 2$ ,  $l = 1$ ,  $m_l = 1$ , 0 or -1 and  $m_s = +\frac{1}{2}$  or  $-\frac{1}{2}$ 

$$3s^2$$
:  $n = 3$ ,  $l = 0$ ,  $m_l = 0$  and  $m_s = +\frac{1}{2}$  or  $-\frac{1}{2}$