



## PHYSICS

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### NUCLEAR PHYSICS

#### Practice Sheet Linked Comprehension Type Questions

1. From study of elastic collision we understand that if two colliding particles have equal masses they interchange their velocities and energy transfer is maximum if they have equal masses and one is at rest w... other. This principle can be easily used in nuclear reactor to select a moderator. If  $m_1 = m_2 = m$  and  $m_2$  at rest then  $m_1$  will stop after colliding with  $m_2$  and  $m_2$  will move with velocity of  $m_1$ . In case of nuclear reactor we used a moderator such that neutrons can be slowed down.

With above reference answer the following questions

Which is correct statement

- A. Soft water can be used as moderator
- B. Heavy water is used as moderator
- C. Hard water is used as moderator
- D. Hard water or Heavy water can be used as moderator

**Answer: B**

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## Practice Sheet Matrix Matching Type Questions

1. Nucleus consists of neutrons and protons, neutrons and protons inside the nucleus interact with each other. They interchange into each other. The forces between them are charge independent. short range, mutual non conservative, strongly attractive. But many particles are emitted like  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$  rays and other high energy particles as mesons, leptons, baryons etc. Can you match the classification of particles in Column-1 with their

characters in Column-II.

Column-I

(A) Chargeless integral spin particle

(B) Chargeless half spin particle

(C)  $\beta$  - particle

(D) Exchange particle

Column-II

(p) Pion

(q) Photon

(r) Neutrino

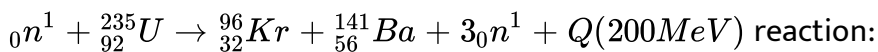
(s) Positron



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2. The most important use of studying nuclear fission and fusion process was to harness nuclear energy for useful purpose of humanity. Nuclear reactor is the machine designed to harness nuclear energy to electricity.

The basic principle involved is fission of uranium to krypton and barium by slow moving neutrons as in following



But the difficulty is that one neutron striking with  ${}_{92}^{235}\text{U}$  produces three (2.6 on an average) neutrons which can cause further fission. The neutron intensity available for further fission is controlled by measuring reproduction factor defined as the average number of neutrons from each fission the causes further fission. Maximum value of  $K$  2.6. For optimum operation of nuclear reactor, the value of  $K$  is mentioned in

Column-1 for various stages in Column-II match the correct columns :

Column-I      Column-II

(A)  $K = 1$       (p) Uncontrolled chain reaction

(B)  $K < 1$       (q) Critical

(C)  $K \geq 1$       (r) Sub critical

(D)  $K \approx 25$       (s) Super critical



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### Additional Practice Exercise Level I Main Straight Objective Type Questions

1. Activity of a radioactive substance is  $A_1$  at time  $t_1$  and  $A_2$  at time  $t_2$  ( $t_2 > t_1$ ), then the ratio of  $\frac{A_2}{A_1}$  is:

A.  $\frac{t_2}{t_1}$

B.  $e^{-\lambda(t_1+t_2)}$

C.  $e^{\left(\frac{t_1 - t_2}{\lambda}\right)}$

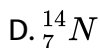
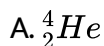
D.  $e^{\lambda(t_1-t_2)}$

**Answer: D**



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2. The binding energies of the nuclei of  ${}^4_2\text{He}$ ,  ${}^7_3\text{Li}$ ,  ${}^{12}_6\text{C}$  and  ${}^{14}_7\text{N}$  are 28, 52, 90, 98 MeV respectively. Which of these is most stable.



**Answer: C**



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3. In an  $\alpha$ -decay the Kinetic energy of  $\alpha$  particle is 48 MeV and Q-value of the reaction is 50 MeV. The mass number of the mother nucleus is :-  
(Assume that daughter nucleus is in ground state).

A. 96

B. 100

C. 84

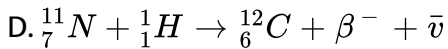
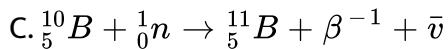
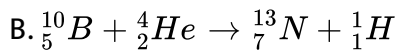
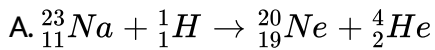
D. 80

**Answer: D**



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4. which of these nuclear reaction is possible?



**Answer: D**



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5. In a particular fission process of atom at rest Fragments with mass number  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are produced. Then find ratio of kinetic energies of the fragments?

- A.  $A_2 / A_1$
- B.  $(A_2 / A_1)^2$
- C.  $A_1 / A_2$
- D.  $(A_1 / A_2)^2$

**Answer: A**



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6. In the mass of  ${}^{228}\text{Th} \rightarrow {}^{224}\text{Ra} + \alpha$  : Atomic mass of  ${}^{228}\text{Th}$  is 228.0287u  ${}^{228}\text{Ra}$  is 224.0202:  ${}^4\text{He}$  is 4.0026u. What is Q value of reaction (approximately)

- A. 5.49 MeV

B. 4.95 MeV

C. 5.9 MeV

D. 7.36 MeV

**Answer: A**



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7. The half lives of a radioactive sample are 30 years and 60 years from  $\alpha$  – emission and  $\beta$  – emission respectively. If the sample decays both by  $\alpha$  – emission and  $\beta$  – emission emission simultaneously, the time after which only one-fourth of the sample remain is

A. 10 years

B. 20 years

C. 40 years

D. 45 years



**Answer: C**



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8. The radioactive decay rate of a radioactive element is found to be  $10^3$  disintegration  $s^{-1}$  at a certain time. If the half-life of the element is  $1s$ , the decay rate after  $1s$  is \_\_\_\_\_ and after  $3s$  the decay rate is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. 500 disintegrations per second
- B. 1000 disintegrations per second
- C. 250 disintegrations per second
- D. 2000 disintegrations per second

**Answer: A**



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9. Half lives of two isotopes X and Y are known to be  $2 \times 10^9$  years and  $4 \times 10^9$  years of these isotopes and currently the material has 20% of X and Y 80% by number on the planet. The current age of the planet is

A.  $2 \times 10^9$  years

B.  $4 \times 10^9$  years

C.  $6 \times 10^9$  years

D.  $8 \times 10^9$  years

**Answer: D**



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10. A particular nucleus in a large population of identical radioactive nuclei did survive 5 half lives of that isotope. Then the probability that this surviving nucleus will survive the next half life is

A.  $\frac{1}{32}$

B.  $\frac{1}{5}$

C.  $\frac{1}{2}$

D.  $\frac{1}{10}$

**Answer: C**



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## Additional Practice Level II Lecture Sheet Advanced Straight Objective Type Questions

1. Nucleus A decays into B with decay constant  $\lambda_1$  and B decays into C with decay constant  $\lambda_2$ . Initially at  $t=0$  number of nuclei of A and B are  $2N_0$  and  $N_0$  respectively. At  $t = t_0$ , number of nuclei of B become constant. If at this instant number of nuclei of B are  $\frac{3N_0}{2}$

A.  $\frac{1}{\lambda_1} \ln \left[ \frac{4\lambda_1}{3\lambda_2} \right]$

B.  $\frac{1}{\lambda_2} \ln \left[ \frac{4\lambda_1}{3\lambda_2} \right]$

$$C. (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2) \ln \left[ \frac{4\lambda_1}{3\lambda_2} \right]$$

$$D. \frac{1}{\lambda_1} \ln \left[ \frac{4\lambda_1}{3\lambda_2} \right]$$

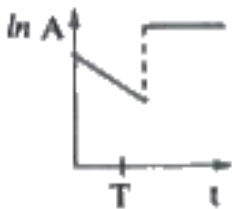
**Answer: A**



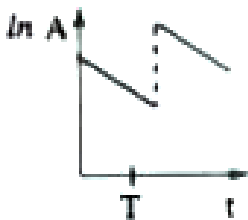
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2. At time  $t=0$ , some radioactive gas is injected into a sealed vessel. At time  $T$ , some more mass of the same gas is injected into the same vessel.

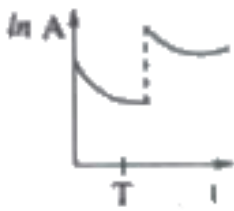
Which one of the following graphs best represents the variation of the logarithm of the activity  $A$  of the gas with time  $t$ ?



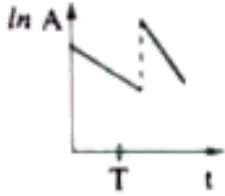
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B.



C.

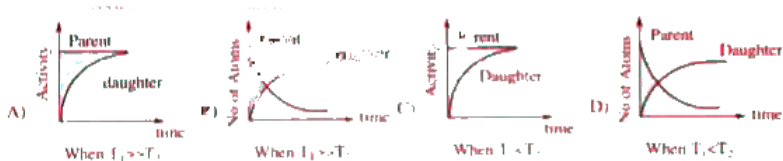


D.

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3. A nucleus .A. decays into .b. with half life .  $T_1$  . and B decays into .C. with half life  $T_2$ , Graphs are drawn between number of atoms/activity versus time which are as shown, then



A. BC are correct

B. ABC are correct

C. AD are correct

D. BCD are correct

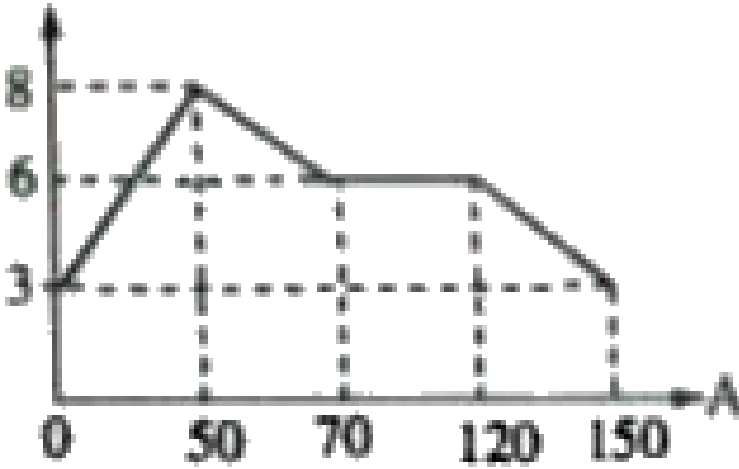
**Answer: C**



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4. Assume that the nuclear binding energy per nucleon ( $B/A$ ) versus mass number ( $A$ ) is drawn and is as shown in the figure. Consider a nucleus of  $A=110$ . Fission of the nucleus results into 2 fragments Then which of the following sets could be possibly the mass numbers of the resulting nuclei

**B/A (MeV/Nucleon)**



- A) 55 and 55 B) 70 and 40  
C) 100 and 10 D) 90 and 20

- A. A, B are possible  
B. B,C are possible  
C. A,B,C,D are possible  
D. A only is possible

**Answer: A**

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5. A radio nuclide  $A_1$  with decay constant  $\lambda_1$  transforms into a radio nuclide  $A_2$  with decay constant  $\lambda_2$ . Assuming that at the initial moment, the preparation contained only the radio nuclide  $A_1$

(a) Find the equation describing accumulation of radio nuclide  $A_2$  with time. (b) Find the time interval after which the activity of radio nuclide  $A_2$  reaches its maximum value.

A.  $\frac{\ln(\lambda_2 / \lambda_1)}{\lambda_2 - \lambda_1}$

B.  $\frac{\ln(\lambda_2 / \lambda_1)}{\lambda_2 \lambda_1}$

C.  $\ln(\lambda_2 - \lambda_1)$

D.  $e^{-(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2)}$

**Answer: A**



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6. A radioactive nucleus undergoes a series of decay according to the scheme.  $A \xrightarrow{\alpha} A_1 \xrightarrow{\beta} A_2 \xrightarrow{\alpha} A_3 \xrightarrow{\gamma} A_4$ . If the mass number and



atomic number of A are 180 and 72 respectively, then the mass number (x) and atomic number (y) of  $A_4$  are

A.  $x = 172; y = 72$

B.  $x = 174, y = 69$

C.  $x = 176, y = 69$

D.  $x = 172; y = 69$

**Answer: D**



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7. Binding energy per nucleon of  $1H^2$  and  $2He^2$  are 1.1 MeV and 7.0 respectively Energy realised in the process  $1H^2 + 1He^4$  is

A. 2

B. 3

C. 4

D. 6

**Answer: A**



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**8.** The energy equivalent to 1 amu is?

A. 6

B. 7

C. 8

D. 5

**Answer: C**



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9. Calculate output of  ${}_{92}^{235}\text{U}$  reactor, if it takes 30 days to use up 2 kg of fuel, and if each fission gives 185 MeV of useable energy. Avogadro's number =  $6 \times 10^{23}$  /mol ?

A. 5

B. 6

C. 7

D. 8

**Answer: B**



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**Additional Practice Level II Lecture Sheet Advanced More Than One Correct Answer Type Questions**

1.  ${}^{40}\text{K}$  is an unusual isotope, in that it decays by negative beta emission, positive beta emission, and electron capture. Find the Q values for these

decays.

A.  $Q_1 = Q_2$

B.  $Q_1 < Q_2$

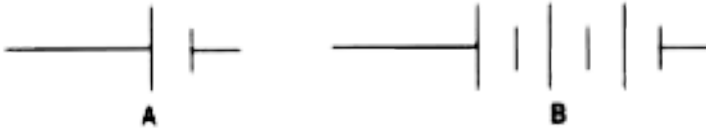
C. neutrino emitted in positive  $\beta$  decay is monoenergetic

D. neutrino emitted increases by a factor  $\frac{27}{8}$

**Answer: D**

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2. What do the following figures represent?



A. A current in a circuit containing a source of constant emf., a pure resistance and a pure inductor after a long time, when the source is open at time  $t = 0$

- B. The number of undecayed nuclei in a large population of identical radioactive nuclei
- C. The p.d. between the plates of charged capacitor, which is shorted by a pure resistance at time  $t=0$
- D. The temperature difference between a body and comparatively slightly cooler enclosure of constant temperature, in which the body is suspended.

**Answer: B::C::D**



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3. Nucleus A decays into B with decay constant  $\lambda_1$  and B decays into C with decay constant  $\lambda_2$ . Initially at  $t=0$  number of nuclei of A and B are  $2N_0$  and  $N_0$  respectively. At  $t = t_0$ , number of nuclei of B become constant. If at this instant number of nuclei of B are  $\frac{3N_0}{2}$

$$A. t_0 = \frac{1}{\lambda_1} \ln \frac{4\lambda_1}{3\lambda_2}$$

$$B. t_0 = \frac{1}{\lambda_2} \ln \frac{4\lambda_1}{3\lambda_2}$$

$$C. N_A = \frac{3N_0}{2} \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} \text{ to } t = t_0$$

$$D. N_A = \frac{2N_0}{3} \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} \text{ at } t = t_0$$

**Answer: option 4**



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4. As an electron makes a transition from an excited state to the ground state of a hydrogen - like atom/ion :

- A. It kinetic energy increases but potential energy and total decreases
- B. Kinetic energy, potential energy and total energy decreases
- C. Kinetic energy decreases, potential energy increases but total energy remains same
- D. Kinetic energy and total energy decrease but potential energy increases

Answer: B::C::D



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Additional Practice Level II Lecture Sheet Advanced Linked Comprehension  
Type Questions Passage I

1. If two deuterium nuclei get close enough to each other, the attraction of the strong nuclear force will fuse them to make an isotope of helium. This process releases a huge amount of energy. The range of nuclear force is  $10^{-15}$  m. This is the principle behind the nuclear fusion reactor. The deuterium nuclei moves to fast that, it is not possible to contain them by physical walls. Therefore they are confined magnetically (Assume coulomb law to hold even at  $10^{-18}$  m)

Two deuterium nuclei having same speed undergo a head on collision. Which of the following is closest to the minimum value of  $v$  (in km/sec) for which fusion occurs

A. 1000

B. 5000

C. 10000

D. 50000

**Answer: C**



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2. If two deuterium nuclei get close enough to each other, the attraction of the strong nuclear force will fuse them to make an isotope of helium. This process releases a huge amount of energy. The range of nuclear force is  $10^{-15}$  m. This is the principle behind the nuclear fusion reactor. The deuterium nuclei moves to fast that, it is not possible to contain them by physical walls. Therefore they are confined magnetically (Assume coulomb law to hold even at  $10^{-18}$  m)

Two deuterium nuclei having same speed undergo a head on collision. Which of the following is closest to the minimum value of  $v$  (in km/sec) for which fusion occurs



A. 122mT

B. 160M

C. 139mT

D. 212mT

**Answer: C**

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## Additional Practice Level II Lecture Sheet Advanced Linked Comprehension Type Questions Passage II

1. Nuclei of a radioactive element  $X$  are being produced at a constant rate  $K$  and this element decays to a stable nucleus  $Y$  with a decay constant  $\lambda$  and half-life  $T_{1/3}$ . At the time  $t = 0$ , there are  $N_0$  nuclei of the element  $X$ .

The number  $N_Y$  of nuclei of  $Y$  at time  $t$  is .

A. 
$$\frac{K + \lambda N_0}{2\lambda}$$

B.  $2(\lambda N_0 - K) \frac{1}{\lambda}$

C.  $\left(\lambda N_0 + \frac{K}{2}\right) \frac{1}{\lambda}$

D.  $\frac{\lambda N_a - K}{2\lambda}$

**Answer: A**



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2. Nuclei of radioactive element A are produced at any time  $t$ . the element A has decay constant  $\lambda$ . Let  $N$  be number of nucleii of element A at any time  $t$ . At time  $t = t_0$   $dN/dt$  is minimum. Then the numbers of nuclei of element A at time  $t = t_0$  is

A.  $K \frac{\ln 2}{\lambda} + \frac{3}{2} \left( \frac{K - \lambda N_0}{\lambda} \right)$

B.  $K \frac{\ln 2}{\lambda} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{K - \lambda N_0}{\lambda} \right)$

C.  $K \frac{\ln 2}{\lambda} - \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{K - \lambda N_0}{\lambda} \right)$

D.  $K \frac{\ln 2}{\lambda} - 2 \left( \frac{K - \lambda N_0}{\lambda} \right)$

Answer: C



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## Additional Practice Level II Lecture Sheet Advanced Integer Type Questions

1. For a radioactive material, its activity  $A$  and rate of change of its activity of  $R$  are defined as  $A = \frac{-dN}{dt}$  and  $R = \frac{-dA}{dt}$ , where  $N(t)$  is the number of nuclei at time  $t$ . Two radioactive source  $P$  (mean life  $\tau$ ) and  $Q$  (mean life  $2\tau$ ) have the same activity at  $t = 0$ . Their rates of activities at  $t = 2\tau$  are  $R_p$  and  $R_Q$ , respectively. If  $\frac{R_P}{R_Q} = \frac{n}{e}$ , then the value of  $n$  is:



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2. A radioactive material consists nuclides of 3 isotope which decay by  $\alpha$  - emission,  $\beta$ - emission and deuteron emission respectively. Their half lives are  $T_1 = 400$  sec,  $T_2 = 800$  sec and  $T_3 = 1600$  sec respectively. At  $t=0$ , probability of getting  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and deuteron from radio nuclide are

equal. If the probability of  $\alpha$  emission at  $t = 1600$  seconds is  $n/13$ , then find the value of  $n$ . is \_\_\_\_\_

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3. A radioactive substance A is being generated at a constant rate  $C(100 \times 10^6 \text{ atoms/sec})$  it disintegrates at a rate of  $\lambda(37\text{dps})$  to form B. Initially there are no A and B atoms. If the number of atoms of B after one mean life of A is  $1 \times 10^x$  atoms, then find the value of  $x$

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## Additional Practice Practice Sheet Advanced Straight Objective Type Questions

1. A parent radioactive nucleus A (decay constant  $\lambda_A$ ) converts into a radio-active nucleus B of decay constant  $\lambda_b$ , initially, number of atoms of B is zero At any time  $N_a, N_b$  are number of atoms of nuclei A and B respectively then maximum value of  $N_b$ .

A.  $\frac{3}{2}$

B.  $\frac{9}{4}$

C.  $\frac{1}{1}$

D.  $\frac{\ln 3}{\ln 2}$

**Answer: B**



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2. There is a stream of neutrons with a kinetic energy of 0.0327eV. If the half-life of neutrons is 700 seconds, the fraction of neutrons that will decay before they travel a distance of 10 Km . (Given mass of neutron  $m = 1.6758 \times 10^{-27}$  kg )



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3. A radioactive sample decays with a mean life of 20ms. A capacitor of capacitance  $100\mu F$  is charged to some potential and then the plates are

connected to a resistance  $R$ . If the ratio of the charge on the capacitance to the activity of radioactive sample remains constant in time is

$$R = 100(x)\Omega, \text{ then } x =$$

A. 2

B. 3

C. 4

D. 5

**Answer: A**



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4. A radioactive element decays by  $\beta - \text{emission}$ . A detector records  $n$  beta particles in  $2s$  and in next  $2s$  it records  $0.75n$  beta particles. Find mean life correct to nearest whole number. Given  $\ln |2| = 0.6931$ ,  $\ln |3| = 1.0986$ .

A. 3

B. 5

C. 7

D. 6

**Answer: C**



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5. Some amount of a radioactive substance (half-life = 10 days ) is spread inside a room and consequently, the level of radiation becomes 10 times the permissible level for normal occupancy of the room. After how many days will the room be safe for occupation ?

A. 6

B. 7

C. 4

D. 5

**Answer: D**



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6. The disintegration rate of a certain radioactive sample at any instant is 4750 disintegrations per minute. Five minutes later the rate becomes 2700 per minute. Calculate

(a) decay constant and (b) half-life of the sample

A. 15 min

B. 10 min

C. 3 min

D. 6 min

**Answer: A**



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7. The mean lives of a radioactive substance are 1620 years and 405 years for  $\alpha$ -emission and  $\beta$ -emission, respectively. Find out the time during which three fourths of a sample will decay if it is decaying both by  $\alpha$ -emission and  $\beta$ -emission simultaneously.

A. 449.94 years

B. 323 years

C. 350 years

D. 329.68 years

**Answer: A**

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8. In the chemical analysis of a rock the mass ratio of two radioactive isotopes is found to be 100: 1. The mean lives of the two isotopes are  $4 \times 10^9$  yr and  $2 \times 10^9$  yr, respectively. If it is assumed that at the time of formation the atoms of both the isotopes were in equal proportion, „

calculate the age of the rock . ratio of the atomic weights of the two isotope is 1.02:1 .

- A. 2
- B. 8
- C. 10
- D. 20

**Answer: A**



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9. A rock is  $1.5 \times 10^9$  years old. The rock contains  $^{238}\text{U}$  which disintregetes to form  $^{206}\text{Pb}$ . Assume that there was no  $^{206}\text{Pb}$  in the rock initially and it is the only stable product fromed by the decay. Calculate the ratio of number of nuclei of  $^{238}\text{U}$  to that of  $^{206}\text{Pb}$  in the rock. Half-life of  $^{238}\text{U}$  is  $4.5 \times 10^9$  . *years*. ( $2^{(1/3)} = 1.259$ )` .

- A. 1

B. 2

C. 4

D. 5

**Answer: C**



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10. The binding energy per nucleon of deuteron ( ${}^2_1H$ ) and helium nucleus ( ${}^4_2He$ ) is  $1.1MeV$  and  $7MeV$  respectively. If two deuteron nuclei react to form a single helium nucleus, then the energy released is-

A. 2

B. 6

C. 9

D. 12

**Answer: A**



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## Additional Practice Practice Sheet Advanced More Than One Correct Answer Type Questions

1. Let  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  be the masses of the nuclei  ${}_1H^2$  and  ${}_2H^4$  respectively.

Also let  $m_p$  and  $m_n$  be the masses of proton and neutron respectively.

A.  $m_p + m_n < M_1$

B.  $2[m_p + m_n] > M_2$

C.  $M_2 = 2M_1$

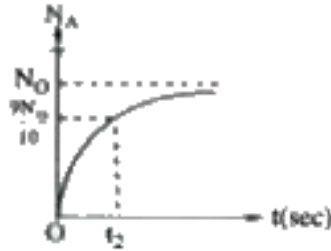
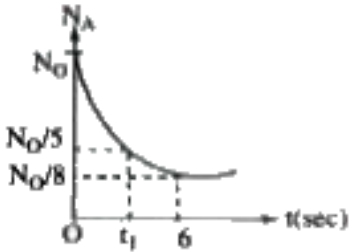
D.  $M_2 < 2M_1$

**Answer: B**



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2. In a decay process A decays to B.  $A \rightarrow B$ . Two graphs of number of nuclei of A and B versus time is given then



- A.  $t_2 - t_1 = 4 \text{ sec}$
- B.  $t_2 - t_1 = 2 \text{ sec}$
- C.  $t_1 = 2 \log_2 5 \text{ sec}$
- D.  $t_2 = 2 \log_2 100 \text{ sec}$

**Answer: B**

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3. At a given instant, there are 25% undecayed radioactive nuclei in a sample. After 10 seconds the number of undecayed nuclei reduces to

12.5%, the mean life of the nuclei is

- A. The mean life of the nuclei 0.0693 second
- B. The mean life of the nuclei is 14.43 second
- C. The time interval in undecayed which the number of nuclei further reduce to 16.25% is 40 second
- D. The time interval in which the number of undecayed nuclei further reduce to 6.25% is 30 second

**Answer: B**



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4. A nuclear explosion is designed to deliver MW of heat energy. The explosion is designed with a nuclear fuel  $^{235}\text{U}$  to run the reactor to ...This power level if 200 MeV of energy is released for each fission event, then

- A. Energy per fission is joule is  $3.2 \times 10^{-11}$

- B. The number of fission events that must be required in a second to attain this power level is  $3.125 \times 10^{16}$
- C. The total number of fission events required in one year to maintain at this power level is  $9.85 \times 10^3$
- D. The total mass of uranium fuel needed in one year to maintain the reactor at that power output level is 384.5 gm

**Answer: A::B::C::D**



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5. The element curium  ${}_{96}^{248}\text{Cm}$  has a mean life of  $10^{13}\text{s}$ . Its primary decay modes are spontaneous fission and  $\alpha$ -decay, the former with a probability of 8% and the latter with a probability of 92%, each fission releases  $200\text{MeV}$  of energy. The masses involved in decay are as follows

$${}_{96}^{248}\text{Cm} = 248.072220u,$$

$${}_{94}^{244}\text{Pu} = 244.064100u \quad \text{and} \quad {}_2^4\text{He} = 4.002603u.$$

Calculate the power output from a sample of  $10^{20}$  Cm atoms. ( $1u = 931\text{MeV}/c^2$ )

A. The activity of fission  $R = 10^7$

B. The actual rate of fission is  $8 \times 10^5$  sec

C. The rate of decay of  $\alpha$ -particle is  $92 \times 10^5$  /sec

D. The power output due to  $\alpha$  - decay is  $4.725 \times 10^7$  MeV /sec and

the total power output is  $33.16 \mu w$

**Answer: A::B::C::D**

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**Additional Practice Practice Sheet Advanced Linked Comprehension Type Questions Passage I**

1. A radionuclide with half - life 1620 s is produced in a reactor at a constant rate of 1000 nuclei per second. During each decay energy, 200 MeV is released. If the production of radionuclides started at  $t = 0$ , then the rate of release of energy at  $t = 3240$  s is



$$\text{A. } N = \frac{PT}{\log_e 2} \left[ 1 - e^{-\left(\frac{\log_e 2}{t}\right)t} \right]$$

$$\text{B. } N = \frac{PT}{\log_e 2} \left[ 1 - e^{-\left(\frac{\log_e 4}{t}\right)t} \right]$$

$$\text{C. } N = \frac{PT}{\log_e 4} \left[ 1 - e^{-\left(\frac{\log_e 2}{T}\right)t} \right]$$

$$\text{D. } N = \frac{PT}{\log_e 2} \left[ 1 + e^{-\left(\frac{\log_e 2}{T}\right)t} \right]$$

**Answer: A**

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2. A radionuclide with half - life 1620 s is produced in a reactor at a constant rate of 1000 nuclei per second. During each decay energy, 200 MeV is released. If the production of radionuclides started at  $t = 0$ , then the rate of release of energy at  $t = 3240$  s is

$$\text{A. } PE_0 \left( 1 - e^{-\left(\frac{\log_e 4}{T}\right)t} \right)$$

$$\text{B. } PE_0 \left( 1 - e^{-\left(\frac{\log_e 2}{T}\right)t} \right)$$

$$\text{C. } PE_0 \left( 1 + e^{-\left(\frac{\log_e 4}{T}\right)t} \right)$$

$$\text{D. } PE_0 \left( 1 + e^{-\left(\frac{\log_e 2}{T}\right)t} \right)$$

Answer: B



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Additional Practice Practice Sheet Advanced Linked Comprehension Type  
Questions Passage II

1. A nucleus at rest undergoes  $\alpha$  - decay emitting an  $\alpha$  -particle of de Broglie wavelength  $\lambda = 5.76 \times 10^{-15} m$ . If the mass of the daughter nucleus is 223.610 amu and that of the  $\alpha$ -particles is  $4.002a\mu$ , determine the total kinetic energy in the final state. Hence, obtain the mass of parent nucleus in amu ( $1a\mu = 931.470MeVc^{(-2)}$ ).

A.  $1.15 \times 10^{-19} kg - ms^{-1}$

B.  $1.15 \times 10^{-20} kg - ms^{-1}$

C.  $11.5 \times 10^{-25} kg - ms^{-1}$

D.  $3.30 \times 10^{-19} kg - m - s^{-1}$

Answer: A



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- A. 227.605 amu
- B. 227.605 kg
- C. 227.605 mg
- D. 2.27 kg

**Answer: A**



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3. A nucleus at rest undergoes  $\alpha$  - decay emitting an  $\alpha$  -particle of de Broglie wavelength  $\lambda = 5.76 \times 10^{-15} m$ . If the mass of the daughter nucleus is 223.610 amu and that of the  $\alpha$ -particles is  $4.002a\mu$ , determine the total kinetic energy in the final state. Hence, obtain the mass of parent nucleus in amu ( $1a\mu = 931.470MeVc^{(-2)}$ ).

A.  $\frac{P_{\alpha}^2(m_{\alpha} + m_d)}{2m_{\alpha}m_d}$ , ( $P_d$  = linear momentum of  $\alpha$  - particle)

B.  $\frac{P_d^2(m_{\alpha} + m_d)}{2m_{\alpha}m_d}$ , ( $P_d$ : linear momentum of daughter nucleus )

C.  $10^{-12} J$

D. 6.625 MeV

Answer: A::B::C



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Additional Practice Practice Sheet Advanced Matrix Matching Type Questions

1. Match the following:

**Column A**

- (a) Circular motion
- (b) Periodic motion
- (c) Vibratory motion
- (d) Rotatory motion
- (e) Non uniform motion

**Column B**

- (i) a running fan
- (ii) a car moving in a market
- (iii) movement of the hands of a clock
- (iv) motion of wire of a guitar
- (v) motion of pendulum of a clock



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**Additional Practice Practice Sheet Advanced Integer Type Questions**

1. In a sample of rock, the ratio of number of  $^{206}\text{Pb}$  to  $^{238}\text{U}$  nuclei is found to be 0.5. The age of the rock is  $(18/n) \times 10^9 \frac{\ln\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)}{\ln 2}$  year (Assume that all the Pb nuclides in the rock was produced due to the decay of Uranium nuclides and  $T_{1/2}(^{238}\text{U}) = 4.5 \times 10^9$  year). Find n.



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2. The present day abundances (in moles) of the isotopes  $U^{238}$  and  $U^{235}$  are in the ratio of 128 : 1. They have half lives of  $4.5 \times 10^9$  years and  $7 \times 10^8$  years respectively. If age of earth is  $\frac{49X}{76} \times 10^7$  years, then calculate X (Assume equal moles of each isotope existed at the time of formation of the earth)



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3. A sample of radioactive nuclide  $A^{150}$  is having half life 2 hours and produce  $B^{146}$  after emitting  $\alpha$  particle. Initially in sample only A was present having mass 50 gm. After four hours difference in mass of sample (A + B) is x gm then value of X is.



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1. Calculate the average energy required to extract a nucleon from the nucleus of an  $\alpha$  - particle ,proton and neutron are 4.00150 a.m.u 1.00728 a.m.u and 1.00867 amu respectively .



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2. The atomic mass of an alpha particles 4.002603 amu and that of oxygen is 15.994915 amu. Find the energy required to split up the oxygen - 16 nucleus into 4 alpha particles .



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3. Neon -23 decays in the following way  ${}^{23}_{10}\text{Ne} \rightarrow {}^{23}_{11}\text{Ne} + {}_{-1}e^0 + \bar{\nu}$ . Find the minimum and maximum kinetic energy that the beta particle ( ${}_{-1}e^0$ ) can have . The atomic masses of  ${}^{23}\text{Ne}$  and  ${}^{23}\text{Na}$  are 22.9945 u and 22.9898 u, respectively.



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4. Find the  $Q$  value of the reaction  $P + {}^7\text{Li} \rightarrow {}^4\text{He} + {}^4\text{He}$ .

Determine whether the reaction is exothermic or endothermic. The atomic masses of  ${}^1\text{H}$ ,  ${}^4\text{He}$  and  ${}^7\text{Li}$  are  $1.007825u$ ,  $4.002603u$ , and  $7.016004u$ , respectively.

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5. The kinetic energy of an  $\alpha$ -particle which flies out of the nucleus of a  $\text{Ra}^{226}$  atom in radioactive disintegration is  $4.78\text{MeV}$ . Find the total energy evolved during the escape of the  $\alpha$ -particle

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6. A radioactive isotope X has a half-life of 3s. At  $t = 0$  s, a given sample of this isotope X contains 8000 atoms. Find the time  $t_1$ , when 1000 atoms of isotope X remains in the sample.

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7. At time  $t = 0$ , number of nuclei of a radioactive substance are 100. At  $t = 1$  s these numbers become 90. Find the number of nuclei at  $t = 2$  s.

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8. The activity of a sample of radioactive material is  $A_1$  at time  $t_1$  and  $A_2$  at time  $t_2$  ( $t_2 > t_1$ ). Its mean life is  $T$ .

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9. The mean lives of a radioactive substance are 1620 years and 405 years for  $\alpha$ -emission and  $\beta$ -emission, respectively. Find out the time during which three fourths of a sample will decay if it is decaying both by  $\alpha$ -emission and  $\beta$ -emission simultaneously.

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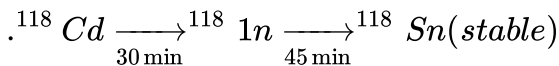
10. Find the decay constant (in  $s^{-1}$ ) of  $^{55}\text{Co}$  radionuclide if its activity is known to decrease 4% per hour. The decay product is non-radioactive.

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11. A  $F^{32}$  radio nuclide with half-life  $T = 14.3$  days is produced in a reactor at a constant rate  $q = 2 \times 10^9$  nuclei per second. How soon after the beginning of production of that radio nuclide will its activity be equal to  $R = 10^9$  disintegration per second?

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12. A  $^{118}\text{Cd}$  radio nuclide goes through the transformation chain.



The half-lives are written below the respective arrows. At time  $t = 0$  only Cd was present. Find the fraction of nuclei transformed into stable over 60 minutes.

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13. Find the minimum kinetic energy of an  $\alpha$ -particle to cause the reaction  ${}^{14}\text{N}(\alpha, p){}^{17}\text{O}$ . The masses of  ${}^{14}\text{N}$ ,  ${}^4\text{He}$ ,  ${}^1\text{H}$  and  ${}^{17}\text{O}$  are respectively  $14.00307u$ ,  $4.00260u$ ,  $1.00783u$  and  $16.99913u$ .

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14. Calculate the energy released by fission from 2g of  ${}_{92}^{235}\text{U}$  in kWh. Given that the energy released per fission is 200 MeV.

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15. Calculate the Q - value for the reaction  ${}_1\text{H}^2(d, n){}_2\text{He}^3$

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16. An electron - positron pair is produced when a  $\gamma$  - ray photon of energy 2.36 MeV passes close to a heavy nucleus. Find the kinetic energy carried by each particle produced, as well as its total energy.

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17. A gamma ray photon of energy 1896 MeV annihilates to produce a proton - antiproton pair. If the rest mass of each of the particles involved be 1.007276 a.m.u approximately, find how much K.E each particle will carry?

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### Exercise Very Short Answer Questions

1. Why is a nuclear fusion reaction called a thermo nuclear reaction?

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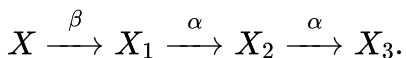
1. Compare the radii of two nuclei with mass number 8 and 64 respectively.

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2. Obtain the binding energy (in MeV) of a nitrogen nucleus ( ${}_{7}^{14}\text{N}$ ), given  $m({}_{7}^{14}\text{N}) = 14.00307 \text{ u}$

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3. A radioactive nucleus undergoes a series of decays according to the sequence



f the mass number and atomic number of  $X_3$  are 172 and 69 respectively.

what is the mass number and atomic number of X ?

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4. If  $92U^{238}$  changes to  $85At^{210}$  by a series of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  decays, the number of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  decays undergone is

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5. Plutonium decays with half life of 24000 years. If plutonium is stored for 72000 years, the fraction of it that remains is

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6. The half - life of  $^{215}At$  is  $100\mu s$ . The time taken for the radioactivity of a sample of  $^{215}At$  to decay to  $\left(\frac{1}{16}\right)^{th}$  of its initial value is

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7. The half - life of radium is 1600 years. The time does 1 g of radium take to reduce to 0.125 g is

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8. In a sample of a radioactive substance what fraction of the initial number of nuclei will remain undecayed after a time  $t = \frac{T}{2}$  where  $T$  = half-life of radioactive substance

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9. A radioactive element X converts into another stable element. Y half-life X is 2 h Initially only X is present. After time t, the ratio of atoms of X and Y is found to be 1 : 4 then t in hour is

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10. A radioactive substance contains  $10^{15}$  atoms and has an activity of  $6.0 \times 10^{11}$  Bq. What is its half-life?

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11.  $N_1$  atoms of a radioactive element emit  $N_2$  "beta" particles per second. The decay constant of the element is ( $\text{in } s^{-1}$ )

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12. After 280 days, the activity of a radioactive sample is 6000 dps. The activity reduces to 3000 dps after another 140 days. The initial activity of the sample in dps is

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13. The binding energies of nuclei X and Y are  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  respectively. Two atoms of X fuse to give one atom of Y and an energy  $Q$  is released.



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14. The binding energies per nucleon for deuteron ( ${}_1^2\text{H}$ ) and helium ( ${}_2^4\text{He}$ ) are  $1.1\text{ MeV}$  and  $7.0\text{ MeV}$  respectively. The energy released when  ${}_2^4\text{He}$  is



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15. If a star can convert all the He nuclei completely into oxygen nuclei. The energy released per oxygen nuclei is (Mass of the helium nucleus is  $4.0026\text{ amu}$  and mass of oxygen nucleus is  $15.9994\text{ amu}$ )



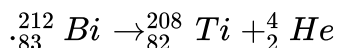
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16. Consider a hypothetical annihilation of a stationary electron with a stationary positron. What is the wavelength of the resulting radiation?

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## Problems Level II

1.  ${}_{83}^{212}\text{Bi}$  decays as per following equation.



The kinetic energy of  $\alpha$ -particle emitted is  $6.802\text{MeV}$ . Calculate the kinetic energy of Ti recoil atoms.

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2. A nucleus with mass number 220 initially at rest emits an  $\alpha$ -particle. If the Q-value of the reaction is  $5.5\text{MeV}$ , calculate the kinetic energy of the  $\alpha$ -particle.

(a) 4.4 MeV (b) 5.4 MeV (c) 5.6 MeV (d) 6.5 MeV

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3. In the decay  ${}^{64}\text{Cu} \rightarrow {}^{64}\text{Ni} + e^{-} + \nu_1$  the maximum kinetic energy carried by the positron is found to be  $0.680\text{MeV}$  (a) Find the energy of the neutrino which was emitted together with a positron of energy  $0.180\text{MeV}$  (b) what is the momentum of this neutrino in  $\text{kg} - \text{m}/\text{s}$ ? Use the formula applicable to photon.

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4. A freshly prepared sample of a certain radioactive isotope has an activity of  $10\text{mCi}$ . After  $4.0\text{h}$  its activity is  $8.00\text{mCi}$ .

(a) Find the decay constant and half-life

(b) How many atoms of the isotope were contained in the freshly prepared sample?

(c) What is the sample's activity  $30.0\text{h}$  after it is prepared?

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5. The ratio of molecules mass of two radioactive substances is  $\frac{3}{2}$  and the ratio of their decay constant is  $\frac{4}{3}$ . Then the ratio of their initial activity per mol will be

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6. Two radioactive elements X and Y have half-life periods of 50 minutes and 100 minutes, respectively. Initially, both of them contain equal number of atoms. Find the ratio of atoms left  $\frac{N_X}{N_Y}$  after 200 minutes.

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7. The count rate of a radioactive sample falls from  $4.0 \times 10^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$  to  $1.0 \times 10^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$  in 20 hours. What will be the count rate after 100 hours from beginning ?

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8. The half-life of  $^{238}_{92}\text{U}$  undergoing  $\alpha$ -decay is  $4.5 \times 10^9$  years. What is the activity of 1g sample of  $^{238}_{92}\text{U}$

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9. Half-life of a radioactive substance A is  $4\text{days}$ . The probability that a nuclear will decay in two half-lives is

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10. What is the probability that a radioactive atom having a mean life of  $10\text{days}$  decays during the fifth day?

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11. A small quantity of solution containing  $\text{Na}^{24}$  radio nuclide of activity 1 microcurie is injected into the blood of a person. A sample of the blood of volume  $1\text{cm}^3$  taken after 5 h shows an activity of 296 disintegration per

minute. What will be the total value of the blood in the person? Assume that the radioactive solution mixes uniformly in the blood of the person. (Take, 1 curie =  $3.7 \times 10^{10}$  disintegration per second and  $e^{-\lambda t} = 0.7927$ , where  $\lambda$  = disintegration constant)

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12. Beta decay of a free neutron takes place with a half life of 14 minutes. Then find (a) decay constant (b) energy liberated in the process.

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13. What is the probability of a radioactive nucleus to survive one mean life?

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14. A radioactive isotope is being produced at a constant rate  $X$  Half-life of the radioactive substance is  $Y$  After some time the number of radioactive nuclei become constant The value of this constant is



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15. A radioactive nucleus is being produced at a constant rate  $\alpha$  per second. Its decay constant is  $\lambda$ . If  $N_0$  are the number of nuclei at time  $t = 0$  then maximum number of nuclei possible are



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16. (a) How much mass is lost per day by a nuclear reactor operated at a  $10^9$  watt power level?

(b) If each fission releases  $200MeV$ , how many fissions occur per second to yield this power level?

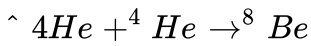


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17. Assuming the splitting of  $U^{235}$  nucleus liberates  $200MeV$  energy, find
- (a) the energy liberated in the fission of  $1\text{ kg}$  of  $U^{235}$  and
- (b) the mass of the coal with calorific value of  $30kJ/g$  which is equivalent to  $1kg$  of  $U^{235}$ .

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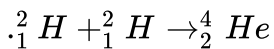
18. Calculate the Q-value of the fusion reaction



Is such a fusion energetically favourable? Atomic mass of  $^8_4Be$  is  $8.0053u$  and that of  $^4_2He$  is  $4.0026u$ .

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19. It is proposed to use the nuclear fusion reaction,



in a nuclear reactor  $200MW$  rating. If the energy from the above reaction is used with a 25 per cent efficiency in the reactor, how many grams of



deuterium fuel will be needed per day?(The masses of  ${}^2_1H$  and  ${}^4_2He$  are 2.0141 atomic mass units and 4.0026 atomic mass units respectively.)

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20. The half-lives of radio isotopes  $P^{32}$  and  $P^{33}$  are 14 days and 28 days respectively. These radioisotopes are mixed in the ratio of 4:1 of their atoms. If the initial activity of the mixed sample is 3.0 mCi, find the activity of the mixed isotopes after 60 years.

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21. A radioactive material of half-life  $T$  was kept in a nuclear reactor at two different instants. The quantity kept second time was twice of the kept first time. If now their present activities are  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  respectively, then their age difference equals

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22. There are two radioactive nuclei A and B A is an alpha emitter and B a beta emitter. Their disintegration constants are in the ratio of atoms of A and B at any time  $t$  so that probabilities of getting alpha and beta particles are same at that instant?

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23. Half-life of a radioactive substance A is two times the half-life of another radioactive substance B Initially the number of nuclei of A and B are  $N_A$  and  $N_B$  respectively After three half lives of A number of nuclei of both are equal. Then the ratio  $N_A / N_B$  is

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24. A radioactive sample decays with an average life of  $20\text{ms}$ . A capacitor of capacitance  $100\mu\text{F}$  is charged to some potential and then the plates are connected through a resistance  $R$ . What should be the value of  $R$  so

that the ratio of the charge on the capacitor to the activity of the radioactive sample remains constant in time?

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**25.** A charged capacitor of capacitance  $C$  is discharged through a resistance  $R$ . A. Radiactive sample decays with an average life  $\tau$ . Find the value of  $R$  for which the ratio of the electrostatic field energy stored in the capacitor to the activity of the radioactive sample is independent of time.

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**26.** Nuclei of a radioactive element  $A$  are being produced at a constant rate  $\alpha$ . The element has a decay constant  $\lambda$ . At time  $t = 0$ , there are  $N_0$  nuclei of the element.

(a) Calculate the number  $N$  of nuclei of  $A$  at time  $t$ .

(b) If  $\alpha = 2N_0\lambda$ , calculate the number of nuclei of  $A$  after one half-life of  $A$ , and also the limiting value of  $N$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .



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27. Consider a radioactive disintegration according to the equation  $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ . Decay constant of A and B is same and equal to  $\lambda$ . Number of nuclei of A, B and C are  $N_0, 0, 0$  respectively at  $t = 0$ . Find

(a) number of nuclei of B as function of time  $t$ .

(b) time  $t$  at which the activity of B is maximum and the value of maximum activity of B.



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28. The radioactive isotope is being produced at a constant rate  $A$ . The isotope has a half-life  $T$ . Initially, there are no nuclei, after a time  $t \gg T$ , the number of nuclei becomes constant. The value of this constant is



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29. A radio nuclide with disintegration constant  $\lambda$  is produced in a reactor at a constant rate  $\alpha$  nuclei per second. During each decay energy  $E_0$  is released. 20% of this energy is utilized in increasing the temperature of water. Find the increase in temperature of  $m$  mass of water in time  $t$ . Specific heat of water is  $s$ . Assume that there is no loss of energy through water surface.



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