

Nuclear Physics JEE Main PYQ – 3

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Nuclear Physics

1. Assume that protons and neutrons have equal masses Mass of a nucleon is $16 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ and radius of nucleus is $15 \times 10^{-15} A^{1/3} \text{ m}$ The approximate ratio of the nuclear density and water density is $n \times 10^{13}$ The value of n is ___ [24-Jan-2023 Shift 1] (+4)

2. The energy released per fission of nucleus of ${}^{240}\text{X}$ is 200 MeV The energy released if all the atoms in 120 g of pure ${}^{240}\text{X}$ undergo fission is $___ \times 10^{25} \text{ MeV}$. (Given $N_A = 6 \times 10^{23}$) [27-Jan-2024 Shift 1] (+4)

3. Given below are two statements: one is labelled as Assertion A and the other is labelled as Reason R (+4)

Assertion (A): The nuclear density of nuclides ${}^{10}_5\text{B}$, ${}^6_3\text{Li}$, ${}^{56}_{26}\text{Fe}$, ${}^{20}_{10}\text{Ne}$ and ${}^{209}_{83}\text{Bi}$ can be arranged as $\rho_{\text{Bi}}^N > \rho_{\text{Fe}}^N > \rho_{\text{Ne}}^N > \rho_{\text{B}}^N > \rho_{\text{Li}}^N$.

Reason R: The radius R of nucleus is related to its mass number A as $R = R_0 A^{1/3}$, where R_0 is a constant.

In the light of the above statements, choose the correct answer from the options given below [29-Jan-2024 Shift 2]

- a. Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A
- b. A is false but R is true
- c. Both A and R are true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A
- d. A is true but R is false

4. For the given radioactive decay ${}^{298}_{94}\text{X} \rightarrow {}^{294}_{92}\text{X} + {}^4_2\text{He} + Q$ - value, binding energy per nucleon of X , Y and a are a , b and c . The Q - value is equal to (+4)

- a. $294b + 4c - 298a$
- b. $92b + 2c - 94a$
- c. $92b + 2c - 94a$
- d. $92b + 2c + 94a$

[10-Apr-2023 shift 1]

5. If half life of a radio-active nuclide A is equal to average life of another radio-active nuclide B. Find the ratio of decay constant of A to that of B. (+4)

[Online•April•19,•2014]

- a. In 2:1
- b. 1: In 2
- c. 2: In 2
- d. In 2:2

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6. An unstable heavy nucleus at rest breaks into two nuclei which move away with velocities in the ratio of 8 : 27. The ratio of the radii of the nuclei (assumed to be spherical) is : (+4)

[Online April 15, 2018]

- a. 8:27
- b. 4:09
- c. 3:02
- d. 2:03

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7. Half-lives of two radioactive elements A and B are 20 minutes and 40 minutes, respectively. Initially, the samples have equal number of nuclei. After 80 minutes, the ratio of decayed numbers of A and B nuclei will be : (+4)

[2016]

- a. 1 : 16
- b. 4 : 1
- c. 1 : 4
- d. 5 : 4

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8. In a radioactive decay chain, the initial nucleus is ${}_{90}^{232}\text{Th}$. At the end there are 6α -particles and 4β -particles which are emitted. If the end nucleus, ${}_{Z}^AX$, A and Z are given by : (+4)

[12 Jan. 2019, II]

- a. $A = 208; Z = 80$
- b. $A = 202; Z = 80$
- c. $A = 200; Z = 81$
- d. $A = 208; Z = 82$

9. In a radioactive material, fraction of active material remaining after time t is $\frac{9}{16}$. The fraction that was remaining after $t/2$ is : (+4)
[Sep.03,2020(I)]

- a. $\frac{3}{4}$
- b. $\frac{7}{8}$
- c. $\frac{4}{5}$
- d. $\frac{3}{5}$

10. The mass of proton, neutron and helium nucleus are respectively $10073 u$, $10087 u$ and $40015 u$. The binding energy of helium nucleus is: (+4)

- a. $14.2 MeV$
- b. $7.1 MeV$
- c. $56.8 MeV$
- d. $28.4 MeV$

[1-Feb-2023•Shift•1]

Answers

1. Answer: 11 – 11

Explanation:

The correct answer is 11.

$$\text{density of nuclei} = \frac{\text{mass of nuclei}}{\text{volume of nuclei}}$$

$$\rho = \frac{1.6 \times 10^{-27} A}{\frac{4}{3} \pi (1.5 \times 10^{-15})^3 A}$$

$$= \frac{1.6 \times 10^{-27}}{14.14 \times 10^{-45}} = 0.113 \times 10^{18}$$

$$\rho_w = 10^3$$

$$\text{Hence } \frac{\rho}{\rho_w} = 11.31 \times 10^{13}$$

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2. Answer: 6 – 6

Explanation:

The correct answer is 6.

$$\text{No. of mole} = \frac{120}{240} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{No. of molecules} = \frac{1}{2} \times N_A$$

$$\text{Energy released} = \frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times 10^{23} \times 200$$

$$= 6 \times 10^{25} \text{ MeV}$$

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3. Answer: b

Explanation:

The correct answer is (B): A is false but R is true

Assertion A states that the nuclear densities follow the order: $\rho_{\text{Bi}} > \rho_{\text{Fe}} > \rho_{\text{Ne}} > \rho_{\text{B}} > \rho_{\text{Li}}$.

Reason R states that the radius of a nucleus is related to its mass number A as $R = R_0 A^{\frac{1}{3}}$, where R_0 is a constant.

These two statements do not have a direct connection. The arrangement of nuclear densities does not directly relate to the formula for nuclear radius.

Nuclear density is independent of A.

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4. Answer: a

Explanation:

The correct option is (A): $294b + 4c - 298a$

$$Q\text{-value} = (\text{B.E})_{\text{product}} - (\text{B.E})_{\text{reaction}}$$

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5. Answer: a

Explanation:

The correct option is (A): In 2:1

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6. Answer: c

Explanation:

The two nuclei have velocity in ratio 8 : 27. By conservation of momentum, we have

$$m_1 v_1 = m_2 v_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{v_1}{v_2} = \frac{m_2}{m_1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{m_2}{m_1} = \frac{8}{27}$$

$$\text{Now, since } m = \rho \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3$$

$$\text{Therefore } \frac{m_2}{m_1} = \frac{\rho \frac{4}{3} \pi r_2^3}{\rho \frac{4}{3} \pi r_1^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{m_2}{m_1} = \left(\frac{r_2}{r_1} \right)^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{r_2}{r_1} \right)^3 = \frac{8}{27}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{r_2}{r_1} = \frac{2}{3}$$

Thus, ratio of radii of nuclei $r_1 : r_2 = 3 : 2$.

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7. Answer: d

Explanation:

80 minutes = 4 half-lives of A = 2 half-lives of B

Let the initial number of nuclei in each sample be N

$$N_A \text{ after 80 minutes} = \frac{N}{2^4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Number of } A \text{ nuclides decayed} = \frac{15}{16}N$$

$$N_B \text{ after 80 minutes} = \frac{N}{2^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Number of } B \text{ nuclides decayed} = \frac{3}{4}N$$

$$\text{Required ratio} = \frac{15/16}{3/4} = \frac{5}{4}$$

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8. Answer: d

Explanation:

The correct answer is (D) : $A = 208$; $Z = 82$

When one α -particle is emitted, then the mass number (A) of daughter nuclei decreases by 4 and the atomic number decreases by 2.



When one β -particle is emitted, then the mass number (A) of daughter nuclei increases by 1 and the atomic number remains the same.



Therefore, for the end nucleus, $A = 208$: $Z = 82$

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9. Answer: a

Explanation:

First order decay

$$N(t) = N_0 e^{-\lambda t}$$

$$\text{Given } N(t)/N_0 = 9/16 = e^{-\lambda t}$$

$$\text{Now, } N(t/2) = N_0 e^{-\lambda t/2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{N(t/2)}{N_0} &= \sqrt{e^{-\lambda t}} \\ &= \sqrt{9/16} \\ N(t/2) &= 3/4N_0\end{aligned}$$

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10. Answer: d

Explanation:

$$\text{B.E. of Helium} = (2m_P + 2m_N - m_{He})c^2 = 28.4\text{MeV}$$

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