

Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
1	(a)	They are not fundamental particles because they consist of <u>quarks</u>	B1	Not: They can be sub-divided
	(b)	Any <u>two</u> from: electron / positron / neutrino / antineutrino	B1	Allow: muon / tau
	(c) (i)	${}_{20}^{40}\text{Ca}$ ${}_{-1}^0\text{e} + \bar{\nu}_{(e)}$ or electron + (electron) antineutrino	B1 B1	Allow: ${}_{-1}^0\beta$ but not β^- or e^- for the electron
	(ii)	There is a decrease in mass Energy (released) given by $(\Delta)E = (\Delta)mc^2$ or Binding energy increases Energy (released) is the difference between the binding energies (of Ca and K nuclei)	M1 A1 M1 A1	Ignore Δm being referred to as the 'mass defect' Allow: binding energy per nucleon increases
	(iii)	$\lambda = \frac{0.693}{4.2 \times 10^{16}}$ / $N = \frac{0.012}{100} \times \frac{4.5 \times 10^{-4}}{0.040} \times 6.02 \times 10^{23}$ $A = 1.65 \times 10^{-17} \times 8.127 \times 10^{17}$ activity = 13 (Bq)	C1 C1 A1	Allow: 1 mark for either $\lambda = 1.65 \times 10^{-17} \text{ s}^{-1}$ or $N = 8.127 \times 10^{17}$ Note: Answer to 3 sf is 13.4 (Bq) Note: 1.3×10^3 (Bq) scores 2 marks; division by 100 omitted
Total			9	

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2	(a)	<p>Observations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Most</u> of the alpha particles went straight / un-deflected through (the atom(s) / foil) (AW) (Some of the) alpha particles were scattered / repelled / deflected through large angles (AW) <p>Conclusions (QWC mark):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 showed that most of the <u>atom</u> is empty space and 2 showed the existence of small / dense / positive nucleus 	M1 M1 A1	<p>Not 'reflected'</p> <p>Allow: The QWC mark even if 'alpha <u>reflected</u> at large angles' is mentioned in 2</p>
	(b) (i)	<p>The aluminium nucleus has velocity / accelerates / moves to the right</p> <p>There is a repulsive force on the (aluminium) nucleus (to the right) / According to conservation of momentum the (aluminium) nucleus must move (to the right)</p>	B1 B1	Allow: Moves away from the alpha particle
	(ii)	$8.0 \times 10^6 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} = \frac{1}{2} \times 6.6 \times 10^{-27} \times v^2$ (Any subject) speed = 2.0×10^7 (m s ⁻¹)	C1 A1	<p>Note: Answer to 3 sf is 1.97×10^7 (m s⁻¹)</p> <p>Allow 1 sf answer 2×10^7 (m s⁻¹)</p>
	(iii)	<p>$Q = 13e$ or $q = 2e$ or $F = \frac{Qq}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2}$</p> $270 = \frac{13 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times 2 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}}{4\pi \times 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \times r^2}$ (Any subject) distance = 4.7×10^{-15} (m)	C1 C1 A1	<p>Allow: $F = k \frac{Qq}{r^2}$, where $k = 9 \times 10^9$</p> <p>Note: No credit for using Q and q as 13 and 2</p>

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		(iv)	The strong force is <u>attractive</u> Correct explanation of size / direction of resultant force	M1 A1	Allow: The strong force is <u>repulsive</u> M1 Correct explanation of size / direction of resultant force A1
			Total	12	

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3	(a)	The (minimum) energy needed to separate / remove all the nucleons / protons <u>and</u> neutrons (to infinity)	B1	Allow: The energy released when (stationary) nucleons combine to form the nucleus Allow: The (minimum) energy required to break the nucleus into its (separate) nucleons Allow: binding energy = mass <u>defect</u> × speed of light ² Allow: 'Work (done)' in place of 'energy'
	(b)	BE per nucleon = $4.53 \times 10^{-12}/4$ BE per nucleon = 1.13×10^{-12} (J)	B1	Allow 2 sf answer of 1.1×10^{-12} (J)
	(c)	The helium nucleus has greater charge / The helium nucleus experience greater repulsive force Helium nuclei need to get <u>close</u> together (for the strong force to initiate fusion)	B1 B1	
	(d)	$(\frac{1}{2} m v^2 = \frac{3}{2} kT)$ $\frac{1}{2} \times 6.6 \times 10^{-27} \times v^2 = \frac{3}{2} \times 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \times 10^8$ speed = 7.9×10^5 (m s ⁻¹)	C1 A1	Allow: $KE \approx kT$; this gives an answer of 6.47×10^5 (m s ⁻¹)
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4	(a)	(i)	One proton / (same) charge / (same) element <u>and</u> (same) chemical property / one electron	B1	Allow (same) number of protons. Allow (same) number of electrons.
		(ii)	mass of nucleus < (total) mass of nucleons Energy must be supplied to the nucleus to free the nucleons / energy released when nucleons combine (to form the nucleus). $(\Delta)E = (\Delta)mc^2$ and $(\Delta)E$ is the (binding) energy and $(\Delta)m$ is the mass defect or the difference in mass.	B1 B1 B1	Allow nucleus has binding energy.
	(b)	(i)	${}_0^1n \rightarrow {}_1^1p + {}_{-1}^0e + \bar{\nu}_{(e)}$	B1,B1	Allow proton or ${}_1^1H$ or H^+ or p <u>and</u> (electron) antineutrino.
		(ii)	(Average) time taken for half of the neutrons (in a sample) to decay.	B1	Note: Must have reference to 'half' and 'neutrons' Allow 'the time taken for the activity of neutrons to halve'.
	(c)	(i)	$F = \frac{1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 \times (10^{-14})^2}$ force = 2.3 (N)	C1 A1	Not $Q = q = 1$
		(ii)	$E = 7.0 \times 10^4 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} (= 1.12 \times 10^{-14} \text{ J})$ $(E = \frac{3}{2}kT)$; $7.0 \times 10^4 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} = \frac{3}{2} \times 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \times T$ temperature = 5.4×10^8 (K)	C1 C1 A1	Allow any subject. Also, allow $E \approx kT$ since it is an estimate. Allow 1 sf answer.
		(iii)	Some nuclei will be travelling faster / have greater (kinetic) energy (to overcome electrostatic repulsion and hence cause fusion).	B1	Allow the pressures are high (enough to cause fusion). Not 'nuclei get close enough'.
		(iv)	$(\Delta E = \Delta mc^2)$; $18 \times 10^6 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} = \Delta m \times (3.0 \times 10^8)^2$ change in mass = 3.2×10^{-29} (kg)	C1 A1	Allow any subject Allow a maximum of 1 mark for $18\text{MeV} \pm 70 \text{ keV}$.
		(v)	Helium (nucleus) has greater charge / more protons.	B1	Do not award this mark if 'helium nuclei are moving slower' is also given as the reason for smaller probability for fusion.
			The (electrostatic) <u>repulsive</u> force (between the deuterium and helium nuclei) is greater (hence smaller chance of fusion).	B1	
Total				17	