

Question			Answers	Marks	Guidance
1	(a)	(i)	C	B1	
		(ii)	Zero	B1	
	(b)	(i)	proton / ${}_1^1\text{H}$ / ${}_1^1\text{p}$ / p	B1	
		(ii)	$\lambda = \frac{0.693}{5700 \times 3.16 \times 10^7} \quad \text{or} \quad \lambda = 3.847... \times 10^{-12} \text{ (s}^{-1}\text{)}$ $(A = \lambda N); N = \frac{1.1 \times 10^{19}}{3.847... \times 10^{-12}} \quad \text{or} \quad N = 2.859... \times 10^{30}$ $\text{mass} = \frac{2.859... \times 10^{30}}{6.02 \times 10^{23}} \times 0.014$ $\text{mass} = 6.649... \times 10^4 \text{ (kg) or } 6.6 \times 10^4 \text{ (kg)}$	C1 C1 A1	<p>Allow any subject Allow ecf within the calculation for an incorrect λ.</p> <p>Allow 6.7×10^4 (kg)</p>
	(c)		A (thermal / slow-moving) neutron splits the <u>nucleus</u> into two (smaller) nuclei and (fast-moving) neutron(s).	B1 B1	<p>Allow 'fast neutron'; allow 'decays' instead of 'splits'. Not 'splitting the atom'. Not 'particles' or 'fragments' in place of '(smaller) nuclei'.</p>
	(d)		Any three from: 1. Fission reactions produce fast neutrons. 2. The moderator / water slows down (the fast-moving) neutrons. 3. Slow-moving neutrons have a greater chance of causing fission (of U-235). (ora) 4. The control rods absorb (some of the) neutrons. 5. (On average) one neutron survives between successive (fission) reactions. QWC: The neutrons make collisions with the (moderator) nuclei <u>and</u> transfer (some of) their (kinetic) energy.	B1×3 B1	<p>Allow boron / cadmium instead of control rods in 4. Not graphite for 4.</p> <p>Allow atoms / molecules instead of nuclei.</p>
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2	(a)	(i)	Any number in the range: 10^4 to 10^5	B1	
		(ii)1	$10^{-14} = \frac{h}{mv}$ momentum = $\frac{6.63 \times 10^{-34}}{10^{-14}}$ momentum = 6.6×10^{-20} (kg m s ⁻¹)	C1 A1	Allow 1 sf answer of 7×10^{-20} (kg m s ⁻¹)
		(ii)2	The mass of the electron is greater (than its rest mass / 9.11×10^{-31} kg)	B1	Allow: Dividing (momentum) by 9.11×10^{-31} (kg) would give a speed of 7.3×10^{10} (m s ⁻¹) which is greater than the speed of light / c (this is not possible) (AW)
	(b)	(i)	Different number of <u>neutrons</u>	B1	Not: different number of nucleons / different mass number / different A
		(ii)	u u d	B1	
		(iii)	u → d + posi ino	M1 A1	Allow: u u d → u d d Allow: symbols for positron ($e^+ / \beta^+ / {}^0_{+1}e$) and neutrino (ν) Allow full marks for an answer in words Allow 1 mark for $p \rightarrow n + e^+ + \nu$
		(iv)	Any <u>two</u> from: charge or proton number / momentum / mass-energy / nucleon number / lepton number / strangeness / baryon number / spin	B1	Not: <u>mass</u> on its own or <u>energy</u> on its own, but allow mass <u>and</u> energy
		(v)	β^+ when there are fewer neutrons / β^+ for lighter nuclei or β^- when there are more neutrons / β^- for heavier nuclei	B1	Allow: Alternative correct answers in terms of ratio of protons to neutrons
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3	(a)	Impossible to predict when a <u>nucleus</u> will decay or impossible to predict which <u>nucleus</u> will decay	B1	
	(b)	$N = N_0 e^{-\lambda t}$ $(\lambda =) 0.693/7.1 \times 10^8$ $\lambda = 9.76 \times 10^{-10} \text{ y}^{-1}$ $0.011 = e^{-(9.76 \times 10^{-10} \times t)}$ $(\text{age} =) \frac{\ln(0.011)}{-9.76 \times 10^{-10}}$ $\text{age} = 4.6 \times 10^9 \text{ (y)}$	<p>C1</p> <p>C1</p> <p>A1</p>	<p>Alternatives:</p> $N = N_0 e^{-\lambda t}$ $(\lambda =) 0.693/[7.1 \times 10^8 \times 3.16 \times 10^7] \text{ C1}$ $\lambda = 3.089 \times 10^{-17} \text{ s}^{-1}$ <p>C1</p> $0.011 = e^{-(3.089 \times 10^{-17} \times t)}$ <p>C1</p> <p>A1</p> $(\text{age} =) \frac{\ln(0.011)}{-3.089 \times 10^{-17}}$ $\text{age} = 1.46... \times 10^{17} \text{ (s)}$ $\text{age} = 4.6 \times 10^9 \text{ (y)}$ <p>A1</p> <p>Or</p> $0.011 = \frac{1}{2^n}$ <p>C1</p> $n = -\frac{\ln(0.011)}{\ln 2} \quad \text{or} \quad n = 6.5$ $\text{age} = 6.5 \times 7.1 \times 10^8 \text{ (y)}$ $\text{age} = 4.6 \times 10^9 \text{ (y)}$ <p>A1</p>
	(c) (i)	number in the range 50 to 70	B1	
	(ii)	Correct reference to binding energy. Eg: The BE per nucleon will decrease for fusion (which is impossible unless external energy is supplied) (AW)	B1	

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	(iii)	(mass of nucleons =) $4 \times 1.673 \times 10^{-27} + 4 \times 1.675 \times 10^{-27}$ $(\Delta m =) [4 \times 1.673 \times 10^{-27} + 4 \times 1.675 \times 10^{-27}] - 1.329 \times 10^{-26}$ (mass defect =) 1.020×10^{-28} (kg) $BE = \text{mass defect} \times c^2$ $(BE =) 1.020 \times 10^{-28} \times (3.0 \times 10^8)^2 (= 9.180 \times 10^{-12} \text{ J})$ $(BE \text{ per nucleon}) = 9.180 \times 10^{-12} / 8$ $BE \text{ per nucleon} = 1.148 \times 10^{-12} \text{ (J)}$	C1 C1 C1 C1 A1	Allow , due to misinterpretation of Data, Formulae and Relationship Booklet, the following (though incorrect): (nucleon mass =) $8 \times 1.661 \times 10^{-27}$ (kg) C1 $(\Delta m =) [8 \times 1.661 \times 10^{-27}] - 1.329 \times 10^{-26}$ (kg) C1 $(BE =) (-) 2.0 \times 10^{-30} \times (3.0 \times 10^8)^2 (= 1.8 \times 10^{-13} \text{ J})$ C1 $(BE \text{ per nucleon} =) 1.8 \times 10^{-13} / 8$ $BE \text{ per nucleon} = 2.25 \times 10^{-14} \text{ (J)}$ A1 Allow 2 sf or 3 sf answer
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4	(a)	Any <u>two</u> from: 1. There is a repulsive (electrical) force (between the gold nucleus and the alpha particle) 2. Momentum is conserved (because there are no external forces) / initial momentum of alpha particle = final momentum of gold nucleus (because there are no external forces) 3. KE of alpha particle transformed into (electrical) PE	B1×2	Allow: (The gold nucleus and alpha particle experience) forces in opposite directions
	(b)	Correct directions of field shown on lines from A and B Correct curved field lines from A and B	B1 B1	
	(c)	$F = \frac{Qq}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2}$ $Q = 79e \text{ and } q = 2e$ $\text{force} = \frac{79 \times 2 \times (1.60 \times 10^{-19})^2}{4\pi \times 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \times (6.0 \times 10^{-14})^2}$ $\text{force} = 10.1 \text{ (N)}$	C1 C1 C1 A0	All values must be substituted for this mark
	(d)	Correctly shaped curve with F decreasing as r increases Value of F is between 2 to 3 (N) at $r = 12 \times 10^{-14}$ m	M1 A1	Note: $F \propto 1/r^2$, hence F should be about 2.5 (N)
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5	(a)	no: of neutrons = 142	B1	
	(b)	(i) $(5.6 \text{ MeV} \Rightarrow 5.6 \times 10^6 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19})$ energy = $8.96 \times 10^{-13} \text{ (J)}$	M1 A0	Allow: $5.6 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-13}$
		(ii) $\frac{1}{2} \times 6.65 \times 10^{-27} \times v^2 = 8.96 \times 10^{-13}$ $v = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times 8.96 \times 10^{-13}}{6.65 \times 10^{-27}}}$ speed = $1.6 \times 10^7 \text{ (m s}^{-1}\text{)}$	C1 A1	Answer to 3 sf is $1.64 \times 10^7 \text{ (m s}^{-1}\text{)}$ Note: The answer is $1.65 \times 10^7 \text{ (m s}^{-1}\text{)}$ if $9 \times 10^{-13} \text{ (J)}$ is used
	(c)	(i) activity = $\frac{62}{8.96 \times 10^{-13}}$ activity = $6.92 \times 10^{13} \text{ (Bq)}$	C1 A0	Allow: activity = $\frac{62}{9 \times 10^{-13}} (= 6.89 \times 10^{13} \text{ Bq})$ Possible ecf from (b)(i)
		(ii) $\lambda = \frac{0.693}{T}$ $\lambda = \frac{0.693}{88 \times 3.16 \times 10^7}$ decay constant = $2.49 \times 10^{-10} \text{ (s}^{-1}\text{)}$ or $2.5 \times 10^{-10} \text{ (s}^{-1}\text{)}$	C1 A1	Note: $\ln 2 = 0.693$ Allow: 1 mark for using 88 years and getting an answer of 7.9×10^{-3}
		(iii) 1 $A = \lambda N$ $N = \frac{6.92 \times 10^{13}}{2.49 \times 10^{-10}}$ number = 2.78×10^{23} or 2.8×10^{23} 2 mass = $\frac{2.78 \times 10^{23}}{6.02 \times 10^{23}} \times 0.24$ mass = 0.11 (kg)	C1 A1 B1	Possible ecf from (c)(ii) Note: $7 \times 10^{13} / 2.5 \times 10^{-10} = 2.8 \times 10^{23}$ Possible ecf for mass from incorrect value for number of nuclei
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