General Chemistry II Jasperse Nuclear Chemistry. Extra Practice Problems

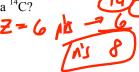
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Radioactive Decay Math				

Key Equations Given for Test:

E°cell=E°reduction + E°oxidation	$\Delta G^{\circ} = -96.5 \text{nE}^{\circ} \text{cell} (\Delta G^{\circ} \text{ in kJ})$
$E_{cell} = E^{\circ} - [0.0592/n]log Q$	$\log K = nE^{\circ}/0.0592$
Mol e [−] = [A • time (sec)/96,500]	time (sec)= mol e • 96,500/current (in A)
$t = (t_{1/2}/0.693) \ln (A_o/A_t)$	$\ln (A_o/A_t) = 0.693 \cdot t / t_{1/2}$
$E = \Delta mc^2 \text{ (m in kg, E in J, c} = 3x10^8 \text{ m/s)}$	

Radioactivity and Balancing Nuclear Reactions: Balancing Nuclear Reactions and Understanding which Particles are Involves

- 1. Which of the following statements is true for a ¹⁴C?
 - a. it has 6 protons and 6 neutrons
 - b. it has 12 protons and 12 neutrons
 - c. it has 12 protons and 8 neutrons
 - d. it has 6 protons and 8 neutrons
 - e. none of the above

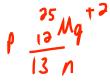


Protons = Atomic Number
Neutrons = Isotope Mass - Atomic Number
Electrons = Atomic number (protons)
adjusted for charge if ionic (anion charge,
extra electrons. Cation charge, fewer e's)

- 2. Which of the following statements is true for a ³⁷Cl⁻ anion?
 - a. It has 17 protons, 18 electrons, and 20 neutrons
 - b. it has 17 protons, 16 electrons, and 17 neutrons
 - c. it has 37 protons, 37 electrons, and 20 neutrons
 - d. it has 20 protons, 8 electrons, and 11 neutrons
 - e. none of the above



- 3. Which of the following statements is true for a ²⁵Mg⁺² cation?
 - a. it has 12 protons, 14 electrons, and 12 neutrons
 - b. it has 12 protons, 10 electrons, and 12 neutrons
 - c it has 12 protons 10 electrons, and 13 neutrons
 - d. it has 24 protons, 12 electrons, and 24 neutrons
 - e. none of the above





gamma

neutron

proton





- Beta emission is associated with _
 - conversion of a neutron to a proton.
 - conversion of a proton to a neutron.
 - increase in mass number.

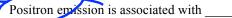


conversion of a neutron to a proton.



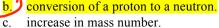
conversion of a proton to a neutron.

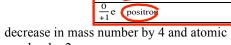
- increase in mass number.
- 6. Alpha emission is associated with
 - conversion of a neutron to a proton.
 - conversion of a proton to a neutron.
 - increase in mass number.





conversion of a neutron to a proton.





He α-larticle (alpha)

e B-particle (beta), electron

number by 2.

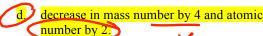
emission of γ rays.



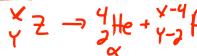
decrease in mass number by 4 and atomic number by 2.

emission of γ rays.





emission of γ rays.



- d. decrease in mass number.
- e. emission of γ rays.

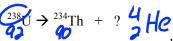


8. The first step in the disintegration of uranium is $^{238}U \rightarrow ^{234}$ Th. What particle is **emitted** in this reaction?



α particle

neutron proton



- electron
- γ ray



9. The isotope <u>Cr</u>-53 is produced by the beta decay of which of the following:



$\frac{4}{2}$ He	α-particle (alpha)	$\frac{0}{0}\gamma$	gamma
$\frac{0}{-1}$ e	ß-particle (beta), electron	$\frac{1}{0}$ n	neutron
$\frac{0}{+1}$ e	positron	$\frac{1}{1}$ H	proton

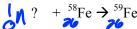
10. What other particle is **formed** in the fusion of two protons to form deuterium (H-2)?

$$\frac{1}{1}H + \frac{1}{1}H \rightarrow \frac{2}{1}H + \frac{2}{1}\rho$$
 position

- proton
- b. neutron
- electron

proton

11. Which particle is **absorbed** when ${}^{58}\text{Fe} \rightarrow {}^{59}\text{Fe}$?



- - electron
 - γ ray





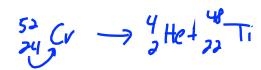
gamma

neutron

proton

12. The isotope Ti–48 is produced by the decay of which of the following:





$\frac{4}{2}$ He	α-particle (alpha)	$\frac{0}{0}$	gamma
$\frac{0}{-1}$ e	ß-particle (beta), electron	$\frac{1}{0}$ n	neutron
$\frac{0}{+1}$ e	positron	$\frac{1}{1}$ H	proton

 $\frac{4}{2}$ He α -particle (alpha)

13. Plutonium-238 is an <u>α emitter</u> and a compact heat source. Coupled with a PbTe thermoelectric device, it was once used as a very reliable electrical energy source for cardiac pacemakers. What is the product of the radioactive decay of plutonium-238?

²³⁸Pu $\rightarrow \alpha$ particle + ?

- a. thorium-230b. uranium-234
- c. curium-242

- d. californium-246
- e. plutonium-234

14. Nitrogen-13 decays by **positron emission** to produce _____

$$^{13}N \rightarrow positron \stackrel{O}{\longleftarrow} ? \stackrel{13}{\longleftarrow} \bigcirc$$



carbon-13.

- oxygen-17.
- c. boron-11.

- d. carbon-14.
- e. boron-13.
- 15. In the initial sequence of thorium-232 decay, an <u>alpha particle is emitted followed by a beta particle</u>. What is the product of these two decay steps?



radium-228

- actinium-228
- c. thorium-228d. francium-228
- e. The correct answer differs from these possibilities.
- 16. ¹⁷⁵Pt spontaneously decays into ¹⁷¹Os. What is another product of this decay?

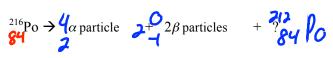
$$^{175}\text{Pt} \rightarrow ^{171}\text{Os} + ?^{4}\text{He}$$



c. p particle

- d. γray
- e. He atom

17. Which isotope is produced when ²¹⁶Po decays by **emitting an alpha particle followed by 2 beta particles**?



$\frac{4}{2}$ He	α-particle (alpha)	$\frac{0}{0}\gamma$	gamma
$\frac{0}{-1}$ e	β-particle (beta), electron	$\frac{1}{0}$ n	neutron
$\frac{0}{+1}$ e	positron	$\frac{1}{1}$ H	proton



²²⁰Po

18. Cobalt-56 decays by **emitting a positron**. What is the product?

⁵⁶ Co → Positron	+ 756 Fe

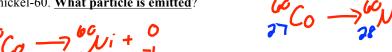
- cobalt-55 a.
- cobalt-56
- nickel-56

- iron-56
- iron-55

19 Radon-220 (²²⁰Rn) decays to polonium-216. What particle is emitted?



- beta a.
- positron b.
- neutron
- 20. Cobalt-60 decays to nickel-60. What particle is emitted?



gamma

- proton a.

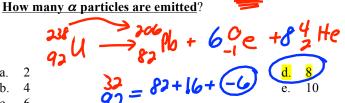
a. 2

b. 4

b. neutron electron

- positron
 - alpha

21. Uranium-238 decays to lead-206 through a series of nuclear reactions. Only α particles are emitted.



$\frac{4}{2}$ He	α-particle (alpha)	$\frac{0}{0}\gamma$	gamma
$\frac{0}{-1}$ e	ß-particle (beta), electron	$\frac{1}{0}$ n	neutron
$\frac{0}{+1}$ e	positron	$\frac{1}{1}$ H	proton

22. If a nitrogen-14 nuclide captures an alpha particle, a proton is produced along with

14 N + 4He → 1H + 80 d. fluorine-18.

- neutrons. a.
- boron-10.
 - oxygen-1

- carbon-17.

The Stability of Atomic Nuclei: The Belt of Stability, Recognizing Whether An Isotope is likely to be stable or not, and predicting what it will do if it isn't. 23. What repulsive forces must be overcome for any element other than hydrogen to exist? The repulsion between neutrons and other neutrons. The repulsion between protons and other protons. The repulsion between protons and neutrons. The repulsion between positrons and electrons

e.				
24. A	Stable and unreactive Radioactive.	c. d.	Likely to decay by emiss Likely to have neutron/pro- less than or equal to 1:1.	
25. L	ight elements with $Z < 20$ senerally have a neutro	on/pr	oton ratios about equal to	
a. b.	0.5. 0.8 1.0.	d. e.	1.3. 1.5.	See Periodic Table for Help
26. T	The heaviest stable elements will generally have a	neut	ron/proton ratio about equal	to
a. b.		d.	1.0.	See Periodic Table for Help
27. V	Which one of the following statements is <i>not</i> corre	ect?		
	Carbon-10 is unstable because it has too few n All nuclides with $Z > 83$ decay into nuclides w Generally, the number of neutrons in a nuclide As the atomic number increases, the ratio of no	vith si	maller Z values. qual to or less than the atomi	
28. W a. b. c.	30	neutro elect	romagnetic force.	

- - d. As the atomic number increases, the ratio of neutrons to protons in a nuclide increases.
 - Generally the number of neutrons in a nuclide equals the number of protons, or nearly so, when the atomic number is small, i.e., Z < 18.
- 29. Which of the following statements is false?
 - U-238 is unstable, as expected based on the "rule of 83"
 - N-16 is unstable and radioactive because its neutron/proton ratio is too high
 - Nuclear reactions often produce large amounts of energy because small amounts of mass are converted into energy (see Einstein's famous equation, e=mc²)
 - All radioactive isotopes decay completely and disappear within a short time (1 year or less)
- 30. Predict the decay pathway for ⁹⁰Sr. Strontium-88 is the most abundant stable isotope for Sr.) (Strontium-90 is a particularly hazardous radioactive isotope because, as an alkali earth metal, it will substitute for calcium in bones and teeth.)



 α emission

 β emission

positron emission

d. γ emission

e. X-ray emission

Periodic table: find "actual" n/p ratio

- 2. Is the nuclide n/p ratio too high?

 *Convert n => p by beta emission

 3. Is the nuclide n/p ratio too small? Convert p => n by either electron capture or positron emission
- 4. Does Z exceed 83? Reduce fast by alpha emission.

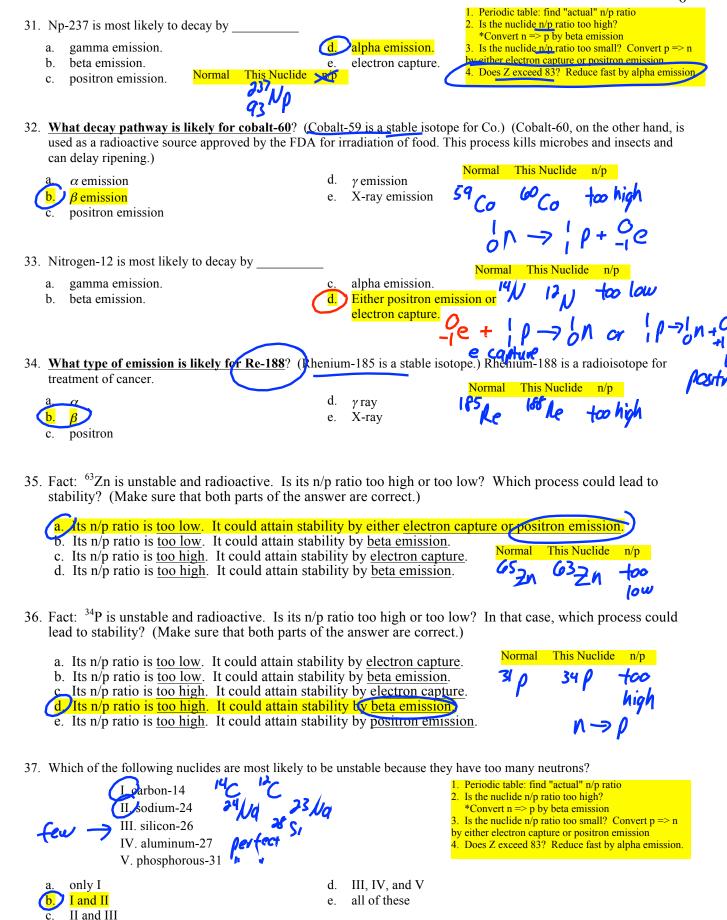
Normal This Nuclide n/p











Rates of Radioactive Decay. Nuclear Half Lives and Radioactive Decay Math

$$\ln (A_o/A_t) = 0.693 \cdot t/t_{1/2}$$

- 38. A half-life is
 - constantly changing.
 - half of the lifetime of an unstable nucleus.

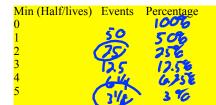


- the time for one-half of an unstable nuclei to decay.
- independent of the rate constant for decay.
- 39. The half-life of a radioactive isotope 1.0 minute in an experiment, the number of decay events was monitored in 1minute intervals over a 5-minute period. Suppose 50 decay events were observed in the first minute. In the second events were observed, and in the 5th minute, events were observed.



d. 50, 100

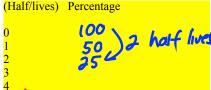
25, 13



- 40. Uranium-238 decays to form thorium-234 with a half-life of 4.5×10^9 years. How many years will it take for 75% of the uranium-238 to decay?
 - a. 9.0×10^{10} years

 - b. 4.5×10^9 years c. 4.5×10^{10} years

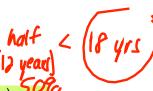
d. 9.0×10^9 years e. 3.8×10^9 years



 $\ln (A_0/A_t) = 0.693 (t/t_{1/2})$

41. Tritium, (3H) is used in glowing "EXIT" signs located where there is no electricity for light bulbs. If the half-life of tritium (\$12.26) ears, what percentage of the original quantity of the isotope is left in the sign after 18.5 years) (You should be able to both calculate exactly, but also be able to choose from among these options without a calculator.)



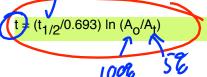


1.51% d.

25.0%

- (Half/lives) Percentage
- 42. Iodine-131 has a half-life of 8.1 day and is used as a tracer for the thyroid gland. If a patient drinks a sodium iodide (NaI) solution containing iddine 131 on a Tuesday, how many days will it take for the concentration of iodine-131 to drop to 5.0% of its initial concentration?
 - 19 days a.
 - b. 0.81 day
 - 8.1 days











$t = (t_{1/2}/0.693) \ln ($	Δ /Δ)
$t = (t_{1/2}/0.093) \text{ III } ($	A_0/A_t

$$ln (A_o/A_t) = 0.693 \cdot t / t_{1/2}$$

43. Phosphorus-32 is a radioactive isotope used as a tracer in the liver. How much phosphorus-32 was originally used of there is only 3.50 mg left in a sample after 288 h2 (The half-life of phosphorus-32 s 14.3 days)

1.96 mg 6.26 mg 4.17 mg

d. 7.00 mg

17.9 mg

$$2h \frac{X}{3.5} = .693 \left(\frac{12}{143}\right)$$

- 44. Carbon-14 measurements on the linen wrappings from the Book of Isaiah on the Dead Sea Scrolls indicated that the scrolls contained about 79.5% of the carbon-14 found in living tissue. Approximately how old are these scrolls? The half-life of carbon-14 (s 5730 years.)
 - 570 years a.
 - 820 years
 - 1300 years

- 1900 years 4600 years
- $t = (t_{1/2}/0.693) \ln (A_0/A_t)$ + = 5730 lu 100

- 45. The half-life of ¹⁸F is 109.7 minutes. If radiolabeled Prozac were administered to a patient for a PET scan at 8:00 A.M. on Monday, at what time would its activity reach 10% of the original activity?
 - 9:49 A.M., Monday
 - 9:07 P.M., Friday
 - 10:42 A.M., Tuesday

- d. 2:04 P.M., Monday e. 6:07 P.M., Monday
- $t = (t_{1/2}/0.693) \ln (A_0/A_t)$

46. The activity of a sample of gas obtained from a basement containing radon-222 was found to be 8 pCi/L. This isotope has a half-life of 3.8 days If no additional radon-222 entered the basement, how long would it take for the activity to decline to the Ci/L?



about 4 days

a bit more than 10 days

about 1 day

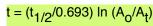
a bit less than 10 days about 20 days

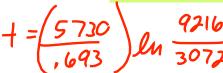
$$t = (t_{1/2}/0.693) \ln (A_0/A_t)$$
3.8 8/1

- 47. A 10.00 g sample of wood from an archaeological site produced 3072 β particles in a 10-hour measurement owing to the presence of carbon-14, while a 10.00 g sample of new wood produced 9216 β particles in the same period of time. The half-life of carbon-14 is 5730 years. How old is the wood from the archaeological site?
 - 5730 years
 - 2865 years



The correct answer differs by more than 100 years from the values given in A-D.







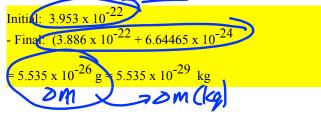
Miscellaneous 48. Nuclear fission produces energy becaus	e	
a. neutrons are produced. b. the total mass of the products is less the total mass of the products is more d. it is a very powerful chemical reaction e. photons are produced.	s than that of the reactants. re than that of the reactants.	
49. Which of the following statements is true	_	
b. In order to overcome the repulsion together c. In order to overcome the repulsion together	neutrons but have different numbers of protons between protons, a strong nuclear force is required to between neutrons, a strong nuclear force is required in the nucleus the more stable it will be.	to hold a stable nucleus
50. Nuclear fusion produces energy because	e	
 a. neutrons are produced. b. the total mass of the products is less the total mass of the products is more d. it is a very powerful chemical reaction photons are produced. 	re than that of the reactants.	\
51. Which type of radiation does the most the	issue damage, but only when the emitter is internally	ingested?
$\frac{\mathbf{a}}{\mathbf{b}}$. $\frac{\alpha}{\beta}$ c. γ	d. neutron e. β^+	
52. Which type of radiation has the greatest	penetration ability?	
a. α b. β γ	d. neutron e. β^+	
	er plants. When a nucleus of uranium-235 captures a ain reaction. The chain reaction is driven by the emission	
a. protons. b. neutrons. c. positrons.	d. β particles. e. α particles.	
54. The purpose of control rods in a fission	reactor is to	
 a. cool down the reactor fuel. b. prevent oxygen from reaching the fuel. c. absorb neutrons generated in the fisse. d. absorb the electrons emitted in the feel enhance the neutron capture process. 	sion process. ission process.	
55. Electricity is produced from nuclear rea	ctions by	/
 a. capturing the electrons that are emit b. accelerating electrons with rapidly r c. a process still not understood by sci d. using the energy to make steam to to e. using the energy to accelerate electr 	noving protons from the nuclear reaction. entists. urn turbines.	

Mass Deficit. Binding Energy: $e=mc^2$ Key equation: $E = \Delta mc^2$ (m in kg, E in J, c = $3x10^8$ m/s) 56. Nuclear fusion produces energy because

neutrons are produced.

- the total mass of the products is less than that of the reactants.
- the total mass of the products is more than that of the reactants.
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- d. it is a very powerful chemical reaction.
- photons are produced.
- 57. What quantity of energy would be produced as one atom of plutonium-238 undergoes alpha decay? The nuclide mass of 238 Pu is 238.0495 amu (3.953 × 10^{-22} g) and the nuclide mass of uranium-234 is 234.0409 amu (3.886 × 10^{-22} g). Alpha particle mass is 6.64465×10^{-24} g. The speed of light is 2.998×10^8 m/s.



 $6.0 \times 10^{-7} \text{ J}$ 5.0 x 10^{-12} J $7.0 \times 10^{-10} \,\mathrm{J}$

d. $2.6 \times 10^{-8} \text{ J}$ $1.1 \times 10^{-12} \,\mathrm{J}$

58. What quantity of energy would be produced as 1.00 g of plutonium -238 undergoes alpha decay? The nuclide mass of 238 Pu is 238.0495 amu (3.953 × 10^{-22} g), and the nuclide mass of uranium-234 is 234.0409 amu (3.886 × 10^{-22} g). Alpha particle mass is 6.64465×10^{-24} g. The speed of light is 2.998×10^8 m/s.

 $4.4 \times 10^{10} \,\mathrm{J}$

(d) $1.3 \times 10^{10} \,\mathrm{J}$ $2.7 \times 10^9 \text{ J}$

b. $3.5 \times 10^8 \,\text{J}$ c. $6.2 \times 10^{-13} \text{ J}$







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ANSWERS

1. D	31. D
2. A	32. B
3. C	33. D
4. A	34. B
5. B	35. A
6. D	36. D
7. B	37. B
8. A	38. C
9. D	39. B
10. D	40. D
11. B	41. C
12. C	42. D
13. B	43. B
14. A	44. D
15. B	45. D
16. A	46. B
17. B	47. D
18. D	48. B
19. D	49. B
20. C	50. B
21. D	51. A
22. C	52. C
23. B	53. B
24. B	54. C
25. C	55. D
26. D	56. B
27. C	57. B
28. B	58. D
29. D	
30. B	

