

For the following, write the radioactive decay equation:

1. Tritium (3_1H) is a radioactive isotope of hydrogen and decays by beta decay. Write down the equation for the reaction and name the products of the decay.
 2. Nitrogen (${}^{14}_7N$) is produced in the beta decay of a radioactive isotope. Write down the reaction and name the particles in the reaction.
 3. Plutonium (${}^{239}_{94}Pu$) decays by alpha decay. Write down the reaction and name the element produced in the decay.
 4. Name the two missing particles in the reaction: ${}^{22}_{11}Na \rightarrow {}^{22}_{10}Ne + ? + ?$
- #5 The “size” of the atom in Rutherford’s model is about 1.0×10^{-10} m. (a) Determine the attractive electrical force between an electron and a proton separated by this distance. (b) Determine (in eV) the electrical potential energy of the atom
- #6 In a Rutherford scattering experiment, an alpha particle (charge = $+2e$) heads directly toward a gold nucleus (charge = $+79e$). The alpha particle has KE of 5.0 MeV when very far ($r \rightarrow \infty$) from the nucleus. Assuming the gold nucleus to be fixed in space, determine the distance of closest approach. (Hint: use conservation of energy with $PE = kqQ/r$).

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- #7 Compare the nuclear radii of the following nuclides, (assuming $R = R_0 A^{1/3}$): 2_1H , ${}^{60}_{27}Co$, ${}^{197}_{79}Au$, ${}^{239}_{94}Pb$
- #8 An alpha particle ($Z = 2$, mass = 6.64×10^{-27} kg) approaches to within 1.00×10^{-14} m of a carbon nucleus ($Z = 6$). What are (a) the maximum Coulomb force on the alpha particle, (b) the acceleration of the alpha particle at this point, and (c) the potential energy of the alpha particle at this point?
- #9 Singly ionized carbon is accelerated through 1 000 V and passes into a mass spectrometer to determine the isotopes present. The magnetic field strength in the spectrometer is 0.200 T. (a) Determine the orbit radii for the C-12 and C-13 isotopes as they pass through the field. (b) Show that the ratio of the radii may be written in the form $\frac{r_1}{r_2} = \sqrt{\frac{m_1}{m_2}}$ and verify that your radii in part (a) agree with this.

