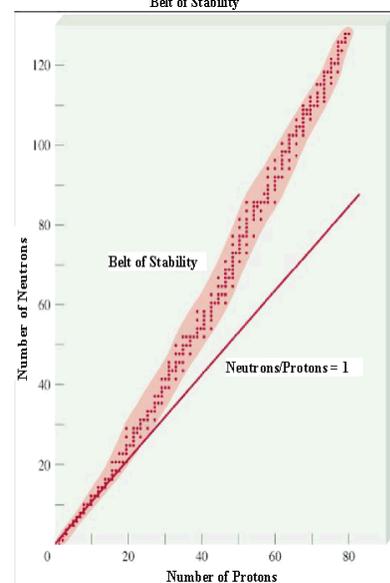


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## I. More About the Nucleus

### A. How is the nucleus held together?

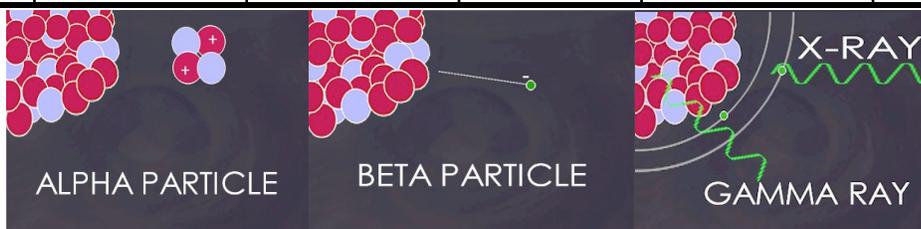
1. The nucleus is made up of
2. Protons
3. This repulsion is overcome by the
4. If the nucleus has
  - a. This stability is predicted by the
  - b. This band is based on the
  - c. Lighter nuclei

whereas heavier nuclei

- d. These nuclei will undergo in order to become stable.

### B. – the spontaneous emission of radiation from the nucleus. There are

Particle Type	Size	Penetration	Symbol(s)	Stopped by	Speed

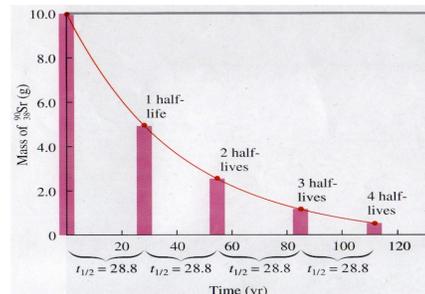


### C. 1.

- a. Ranges from fractions of seconds to thousands of years.
- b. As each half life passes, the amount of radioactive nuclide remaining decreases by
- c. Ex: The half life for carbon-14 is 5730 years.

### 2. To solve half life problems, use the following equations:

- a.
- b.
- c. Another way:
  - i. Use the first equation to
  - ii.



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d. Ex.: Fluorine-21 has a half life of approximately 15.0 seconds. How much of an original sample of 20.0g would remain after 45.0 seconds?

e. Ex.: The half-life of  $^{90}\text{Sr}$  is 29 years. After 116 years, how much of a 64g sample will remain? How much has decayed?

f. Ex: After 133.5 days, there is 0.2500g of iron-59 (half-life of 44.5 days). How much was originally present?

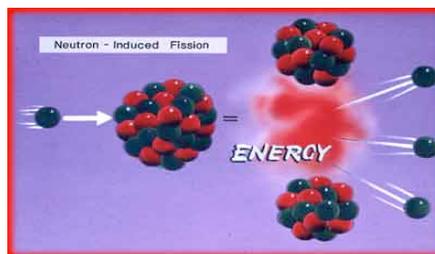
### II. Nuclear Reactions

A. The nucleus undergoes various reactions that involve A LOT of energy.

B. There are three types of nuclear reactions.

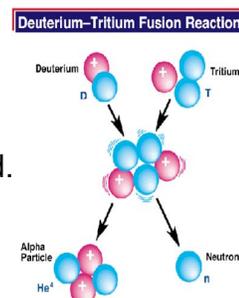
1.

- a.
- b. This is common in
- c. Usually



2.

- a. Example:
- b. This happens
- c. In a fusion bomb, you need a lot of energy to get a fusion reaction started.
- d.



3.

- a. Involves  
(Usually 1-->1)
- b. Element \_\_\_\_\_ (in an equation, the particle is a \_\_\_\_\_).
- c. This can be accomplished by bombarding an atom with a nuclear particle or with another atom (induced transmutation).
- d. This is an option for dealing with nuclear waste.

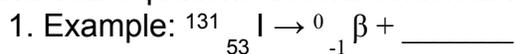
4. Quick Quiz!

- a.  ${}_{95}^{241}\text{U} + {}_2^4\text{He} \rightarrow 2 {}_0^1\text{n} + {}_{97}^{243}\text{Bk}$
- b.  ${}_{92}^{235}\text{U} + {}_0^1\text{n} \rightarrow {}_{56}^{142}\text{Ba} + {}_{36}^{91}\text{Kr} + 3 {}_0^1\text{n}$
- c.  ${}_{92}^{235}\text{U} \rightarrow {}_2^4\text{He} + {}_{90}^{231}\text{Th}$
- d.  ${}_{43}^{99}\text{Tc} \rightarrow {}_{44}^{99}\text{Ru} + {}_{-1}^0\text{e}$

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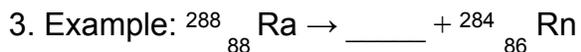
### III. Balancing Nuclear Equations

A. Nuclear equations describe nuclear reactions.



2. To balance nuclear reactions:

- Assume the arrow is an
- Insert a number so that the
- Determine



### IV. Where does all the energy come from?

A. During nuclear reactions,

B. This energy (a.k.a.  $\text{E} = mc^2$ ) is described by

- $E =$
- $m =$
- $c =$

