

## RADIOACTIVE DECAY MODES (D8)

Decay Mode	Symbol	Equation	Nucleus Changes
<b>Alpha Emission</b>	$\alpha$	${}^A_ZX \rightarrow {}^{A-4}_{Z-2}X + {}^4_2\alpha$	$(A - 4, Z - 2)$
<b>Proton Emission</b> <b>2-Proton Emission</b>	$p$ $2p$	${}^A_ZX \rightarrow {}^{A-1}_{Z-1}X + {}^1_1p$ ${}^A_ZX \rightarrow {}^{A-2}_{Z-2}X + 2{}^1_1p$	$(A - 1, Z - 1)$ $(A - 2, Z - 2)$
<b>Neutron Emission</b> <b>2-Neutron Emission</b>	$n$ $2n$	${}^A_ZX \rightarrow {}^{A-1}_ZX + {}^1_0n$ ${}^A_ZX \rightarrow {}^{A-2}_ZX + 2{}^1_0n$	$(A - 1, Z)$ $(A - 2, Z)$
<b>Electron Capture</b>	$\varepsilon$	${}^A_ZX + {}^0_{-1}e \rightarrow {}^A_{Z-1}X + {}^0_0\nu_e$	$(A, Z - 1)$
<b>Positron Emission</b>	$e^+$	${}^A_ZX \rightarrow {}^A_{Z-1}X + {}^0_{+1}e + {}^0_0\nu_e$	$(A, Z - 1)$
<b>Beta-Plus Decay</b>	$\beta^+$	$\beta^+ = \varepsilon + e^+$ (Combined rate of $\varepsilon$ and $e^+$ )	Variable
<b>Beta-Minus Decay</b>	$\beta^-$	${}^A_ZX \rightarrow {}^A_{Z+1}X + {}^0_{-1}e + {}^0_0\bar{\nu}_e$	$(A, Z + 1)$
<b>Double Beta-Minus Decay</b>	$2\beta^-$	${}^A_ZX \rightarrow {}^A_{Z+2}X + 2{}^0_{-1}e + 2{}^0_0\bar{\nu}_e$	$(A, Z + 2)$
<b>Double Beta-Plus Decay</b>	$2\beta^+$	${}^A_ZX \rightarrow {}^A_{Z-2}X + 2{}^0_{+1}e + 2{}^0_0\nu_e$	$(A, Z - 2)$
<b>Beta-Minus-Delayed Neutron Emission</b>	$\beta^-n$	${}^A_ZX \rightarrow {}^A_{Z+1}X + {}^0_{-1}e + {}^0_0\bar{\nu}_e$ ${}^A_{Z+1}X \rightarrow {}^{A-1}_{Z+1}X + {}^1_0n$	$(A - 1, Z + 1)$
<b>Beta-Minus-Delayed 2-Neutron Emission</b>	$\beta^-2n$	${}^A_ZX \rightarrow {}^A_{Z+1}X + {}^0_{-1}e + {}^0_0\bar{\nu}_e$ ${}^A_{Z+1}X \rightarrow {}^{A-1}_{Z+1}X + 2{}^1_0n$	$(A - 2, Z + 1)$
<b>Beta-Minus-Delayed 3-Neutron Emission</b>	$\beta^-3n$	${}^A_ZX \rightarrow {}^A_{Z+1}X + {}^0_{-1}e + {}^0_0\bar{\nu}_e$ ${}^A_{Z+1}X \rightarrow {}^{A-1}_{Z+1}X + 3{}^1_0n$	$(A - 3, Z + 1)$
<b>Beta-Plus-Delayed Proton Emission</b>	$\beta^+p$	${}^A_ZX \rightarrow {}^A_{Z-1}X + {}^0_{+1}e + {}^0_0\nu_e$ ${}^A_{Z-1}X \rightarrow {}^{A-1}_{Z-2}X + {}^1_1p$	$(A - 1, Z - 2)$
<b>Beta-Plus-Delayed 2-Proton Emission</b>	$\beta^+2p$	${}^A_ZX \rightarrow {}^A_{Z-1}X + {}^0_{+1}e + {}^0_0\nu_e$ ${}^A_{Z-1}X \rightarrow {}^{A-2}_{Z-3}X + 2{}^1_1p$	$(A - 2, Z - 3)$
<b>Beta-Plus-Delayed 3-Proton Emission</b>	$\beta^+3p$	${}^A_ZX \rightarrow {}^A_{Z-1}X + {}^0_{+1}e + {}^0_0\nu_e$ ${}^A_{Z-1}X \rightarrow {}^{A-3}_{Z-4}X + 3{}^1_1p$	$(A - 3, Z - 4)$

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Beta-Minus-Delayed Alpha Emission	$\beta^{-}\alpha$	${}^A_ZX \rightarrow {}^A_{Z+1}X + {}^0_{-1}e + {}^0_0\overline{\nu}_e$ ${}^A_{Z+1}X \rightarrow {}^{A-4}_{Z-1}X + {}^4_2\alpha$	$(A - 4, Z - 1)$
Beta-Plus-Delayed Alpha Emission	$\beta^{+}\alpha$	${}^A_ZX \rightarrow {}^A_{Z-1}X + {}^0_{+1}e + {}^0_0\nu_e$ ${}^A_{Z-1}X \rightarrow {}^{A-4}_{Z-3}X + {}^4_2\alpha$	$(A - 4, Z - 3)$
Beta-Minus-Delayed Deuteron Emission	$\beta^{-}d$	${}^A_ZX \rightarrow {}^A_{Z+1}X + {}^0_{-1}e + {}^0_0\overline{\nu}_e$ ${}^A_{Z+1}X \rightarrow {}^{A-2}_ZX + {}^2_1d$	$(A - 2, Z)$
Beta-Minus-Delayed Triton Emission	$\beta^{-}t$	${}^A_ZX \rightarrow {}^A_{Z+1}X + {}^0_{-1}e + {}^0_0\overline{\nu}_e$ ${}^A_{Z+1}X \rightarrow {}^{A-3}_ZX + {}^3_1t$	$(A - 3, Z)$
Internal (Isomeric) Transition	$IT$	${}^{Am}_ZX \rightarrow {}^A_ZX + {}^0_0\gamma$	$(A, Z)$
Spontaneous Fission	$SF$	Variable	Variable
Beta-Plus-Delayed Fission	$\beta^{+}SF$	${}^A_ZX \rightarrow {}^A_{Z-1}X + {}^0_{+1}e + {}^0_0\nu_e$ Variable	Variable
Beta-Minus-Delayed Fission	$\beta^{-}SF$	${}^A_ZX \rightarrow {}^A_{Z+1}X + {}^0_{-1}e + {}^0_0\overline{\nu}_e$ Variable	Variable
Heavy Cluster Emission Cluster Decay	${}^AX$ $CD$	Variable	Variable

#### Sources:

- Decay Mode <sup>[2]</sup>
- Symbol <sup>[1]</sup> <sup>[2]</sup>
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