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Homework 5

1)

Part	Decay Type	Unknown Parameter	T (MeV)
A	Alpha	Pb-206	5.408
B	Beta -	Cl-38	2.94
C	Beta +	Si-27	3.79
D	Electron Capture	Neutrino	.616
E	Neutron Emission	Xe-136	2.687
F	Proton Emission	H-1	-5.798
G	Internal Conversion	Ni-60 ⁺	.11667

2) T of alpha = 4.197 MeV

T of Th = 0.0718 MeV

3) T of Ground alpha = 5.686 MeV

T of Excited alpha = 5.449 MeV

4) 213.0695737644884 amu

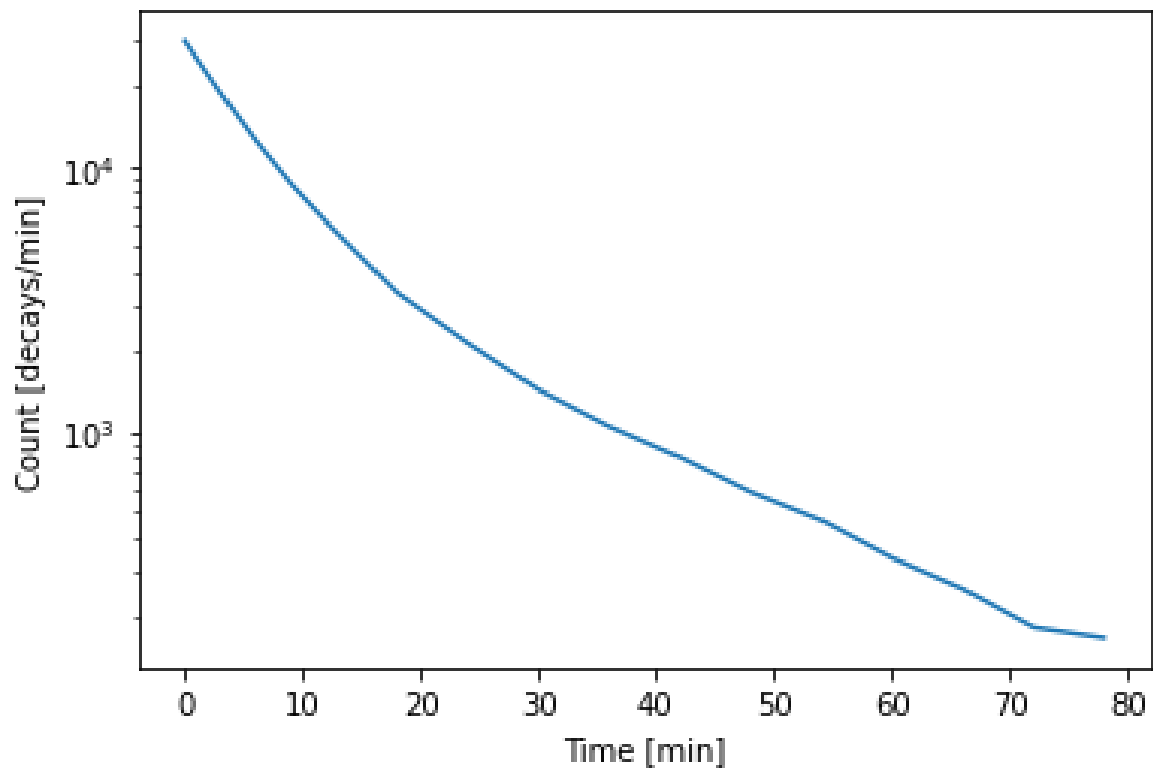
5) $\Lambda = 0.537 \cdot 1/\text{Ga}$

Mean Lifetime = 1.861 Ga

6) 721.0229 G

7a) Atoms of Na24 = 9.330e10

b) Atoms of U238 = 2.441e23



8a)

- b) First $\lambda = 0.0152487234041110 \text{ s}^{-1}$
Second $\lambda = 0.110684305618879 \text{ s}^{-1}$

- c) First Half life = 45.456 min
Second Half life = 6.262 min

- d) First initial counts/min = 548.613
Second initial counts/min = 29221.386

9) For this to be true, the derivative of the whole expression $N_1(t) + N_2(t) + N_3(t) = N_1(0) + N_2(0) + N_3(0)$ has to be equal to 0.

These derivatives are given by the following.

$$dN_1(t)/dt = -\lambda_1 N_1(t)$$

$$dN_2(t)/dt = -\lambda_2 N_2(t) + \lambda_1 N_1(t)$$

$$dN_3(t)/dt = \lambda_2 N_2(t)$$

The time derivatives of $N_1(0) = N_2(0) = N_3(0) = 0$ because all of these values are either 0, in the cases of $N_2(0)$ and $N_3(0)$, or constants, in the case of $N_1(0)$.

Plugging these expressions into $d/dt(N_1(t) + N_2(t) + N_3(t) = N_1(0) + N_2(0) + N_3(0))$, we get

$-\lambda_1 N_1(t) - \lambda_2 N_2(t) + \lambda_1 N_1(t) + \lambda_2 N_2(t) = 0 + 0 + 0$, which simplifies to

$$0 = 0$$

As the derivatives with respect to time for each side are both 0, we can conclude that neither side changes in number over time.

10) $N(t)$ is the same at every time, so $N(t)$ doesn't have a max.

11) 11735.694 years old