

# Homework 3

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1. (a) (The book has a typo and wrote H, but I'm going to assume it meant  ${}^4_2\text{He}$ .)

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Radius } {}^4_2\text{He} &= r_0 A^{1/3} = (1.2 \text{ fm}) (4)^{1/3} \\ &= 1.90 \text{ fm}\end{aligned}$$

(b) 
$$\begin{aligned}\text{Radius } {}^{238}_{92}\text{U} &= (1.2 \text{ fm}) (238)^{1/3} \\ &= 7.43 \text{ fm}\end{aligned}$$

- (c) The ratio is given as

$$\begin{aligned}k &= \left( \frac{A_2}{A_1} \right)^{1/3} \\ &= \left( \frac{238}{4} \right)^{1/3} \\ &= 3.90\end{aligned}$$

2. For  $10 \text{ cm}^3$  of neutrons of radius  $r_0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}r &= r_0 N^{1/3} \\ \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3 &= \frac{4}{3}\pi r_0^3 N = 10 \text{ cm}^3 \\ N &= \left( 10 \text{ cm}^3 \times \frac{1 \text{ fm}^3}{1 \times 10^{-39} \text{ cm}^3} \right) \frac{3}{4\pi r_0^3} \\ &= 1.38 \times 10^{39} \text{ neutrons} \\ &= 2.31 \times 10^{12} \text{ kg}\end{aligned}$$

4. (a) Using Table 13.2, for neutrons in the  $B = 1 \text{ T}$  field,

$$\begin{aligned}f &= \frac{2\mu B}{h} = \frac{-2(1.9135) (5.05 \times 10^{-27} \text{ J} \cdot \text{T}^{-1}) (1 \text{ T})}{6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{s}} \\ &= 29.2 \text{ MHz}\end{aligned}$$

Is it fine to omit the negative sign on a frequency?

- (b) For protons, it's the same but has a moment  $\mu = 2.7928\mu_n$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}f &= \frac{2(2.7928) (5.05 \times 10^{-27} \text{ J} \cdot \text{T}^{-1}) (1 \text{ T})}{6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{s}} \\ &= 42.6 \text{ MHz}\end{aligned}$$

- (c) For  $B = 50 \mu\text{T}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}f &= \frac{2(2.7928) (5.05 \times 10^{-27} \text{ J} \cdot \text{T}^{-1}) (50 \times 10^{-6} \text{ T})}{6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{s}} \\ &= 2.13 \text{ kHz}\end{aligned}$$

5. (a) Using the Coulomb potential for the silver atom ( $Z = 79$ ,  $q_{\text{Au}} = 79e$ ),

$$\begin{aligned}
 0.5 \text{ MeV} &= \frac{q_{\alpha} q_{\text{Au}}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} \\
 r &= \frac{q_{\alpha} q_{\text{Au}}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 (0.5 \text{ MeV})} = \frac{158 (1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C})^2}{4\pi (8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F} \cdot \text{m}^{-1}) \left(0.5 \text{ MeV} \times \frac{1.602 \times 10^{-13} \text{ J}}{1 \text{ MeV}}\right)} \\
 &= 455.2 \text{ fm}
 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) From (a) and using classical kinetic energy,

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_{\alpha} &= \frac{q_{\alpha} q_{\text{Au}}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} \\
 &= \frac{158 (1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C})^2}{4\pi (8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F} \cdot \text{m}^{-1}) (300 \times 10^{-15} \text{ m})} \\
 &= 1.21 \times 10^{-13} \text{ J} \\
 \frac{m_{\alpha} v^2}{2} &= 1.21 \times 10^{-13} \text{ J} \\
 v &= 6.05 \times 10^6 \text{ m} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

7. The difference in energy between the normal and  $B$ -aligned state is,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta E &= |\mu| |\mathbf{B}| \\
 &= 2.7928 (5.05 \times 10^{-27} \text{ J} \cdot \text{T}^{-1}) (12.5 \text{ T}) \\
 &= 1.76 \times 10^{-25} \text{ J}
 \end{aligned}$$

The total difference in energy between the two aligned states is then  $2\Delta E$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 2\Delta E &= 3.52 \text{ J} \\
 &= 2.2 \times 10^{-6} \text{ eV}
 \end{aligned}$$

10. (a) For  $^{12}_6\text{C}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 r &= (1.2 \text{ fm}) 12^{1/3} \\
 &\approx 2.74 \text{ fm}
 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) I'm going to assume the distance from the other protons are given by the radius...

$$\begin{aligned}
 |F_r| &= \left| -\frac{\partial}{\partial r} U_{\text{Coulomb}} \right| \\
 &= \frac{5e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \\
 &\approx 153.7 \text{ N}
 \end{aligned}$$

- (c) It's basically (b) but without the additional  $r$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 W &= F_r \times r \\
 &= 4.21 \times 10^{-13} \text{ J} \\
 &= 2.63 \text{ MeV}
 \end{aligned}$$

- (d)
- From 1(b),  $r = 7.43 \text{ fm}$ .
  - $F = \frac{92e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0(7.43 \text{ fm})^2} = 384 \text{ N}$
  - $W = 2.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ J} = 17.8 \text{ MeV}$

11. Using (13.4),

$$\begin{aligned} E_b &= [1.007825 \text{ u} + 2 \times 1.008655 \text{ u} - 3.016049 \text{ u}] \times 931.494 \text{ MeV} \cdot \text{u}^{-1} \\ &= 8.48 \text{ MeV} \end{aligned}$$

For the  $A = 3$  nucleons,

$$\frac{8.48}{3} = 2.83 \text{ MeV/nucleon}$$

12. Applying (13.4) to  ${}^{56}_{26}\text{Fe}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} E_b &= [26(1.007825) + 30(1.008665) - 55.934939] \times 931.494 \\ &= 492.26 \text{ MeV} \\ &= 8.79 \text{ MeV/nucleon} \end{aligned}$$

14. (a) Using (13.4),

$$E_b = [8(1.007825) + 7(1.008665) - 15.003065] \times 931.494$$

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