

- 7** The isotope Manganese-56 decays and undergoes β -particle emission to form the stable isotope Iron-56. The half-life for this decay is 2.6 hours. Initially, at time $t = 0$, a sample of Manganese-56 has a mass of $1.4\mu\text{g}$ and there is no Iron-56.

- (a)** Complete Fig. 7.1 to show the variation with time t of the mass of Iron-56 in the sample for time $t = 0$ to time $t = 11$ hours.

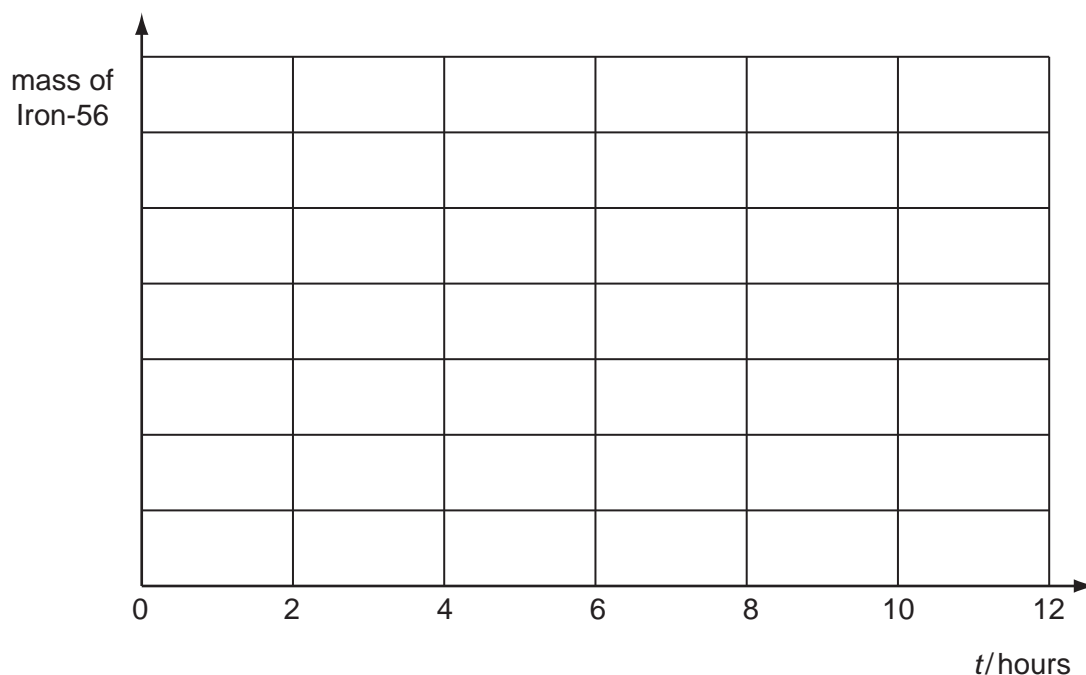


Fig. 7.1

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- (b)** For the sample of Manganese-56, determine

- (i)** the initial number of Manganese-56 atoms in the sample,

number =[2]

- (ii)** the initial activity.

activity = Bq [3]

(c) Determine the time at which the ratio

$$\frac{\text{mass of Iron-56}}{\text{mass of Manganese-56}}$$

is equal to 9.0.

time = hours [2]