

- 5 A particle of mass  $m$  and charge  $q$  is in a uniform electric field of strength  $E$ . The particle has acceleration  $a$  due to the field.

(a) Show that

$$\frac{q}{m} = \frac{a}{E}.$$

[2]

- (b) The particle has a charge of  $4e$  where  $e$  is the elementary charge. The electric field strength is  $3.5 \times 10^4 \text{ V m}^{-1}$ . The acceleration of the particle is  $1.5 \times 10^{12} \text{ m s}^{-2}$ .

Use the expression in (a) to show that the mass of the particle is  $9.0 \text{ u}$ .

[2]

- (c) The particle is a nucleus. State the number of protons and the number of neutrons in the nucleus.

number of protons = .....

number of neutrons = .....

[1]

- (d) A second nucleus that is an isotope of the nucleus in (c) is in the same uniform electric field.

State and explain whether the electric field produces, for the two nuclei, the same magnitudes of

(i) force,

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 .....[1]

(ii) acceleration.

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[Total: 7]