

# Beta Decay Followed by Gamma Ray Emission

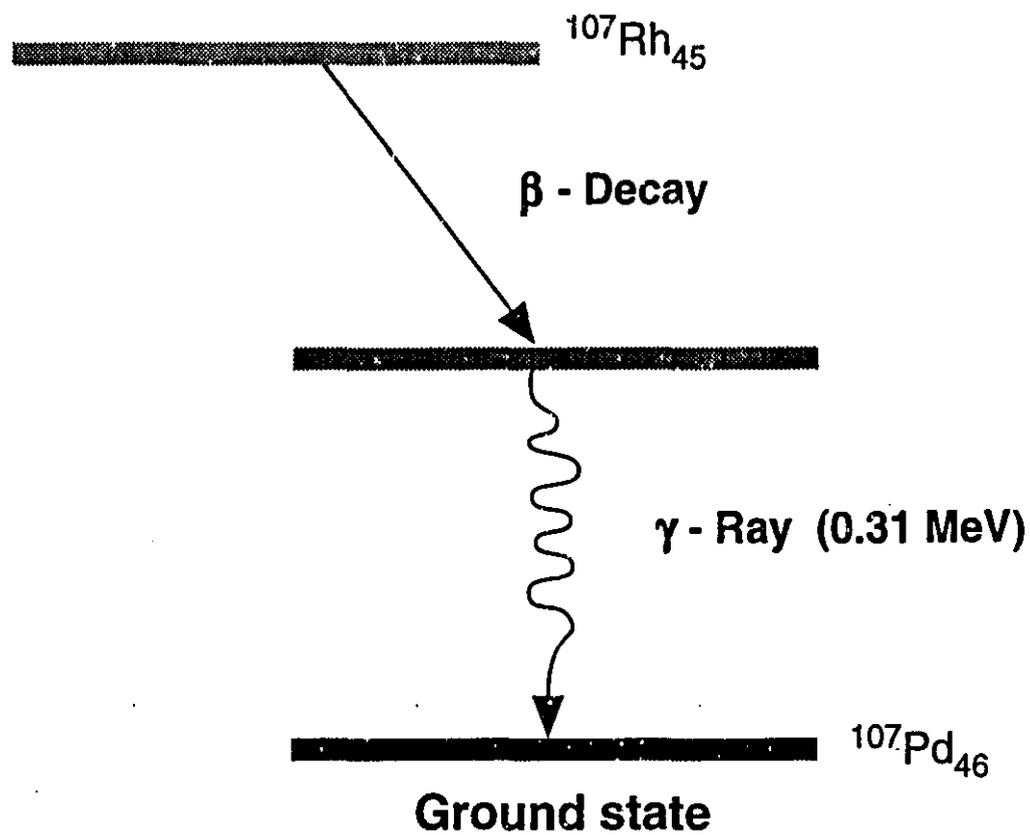
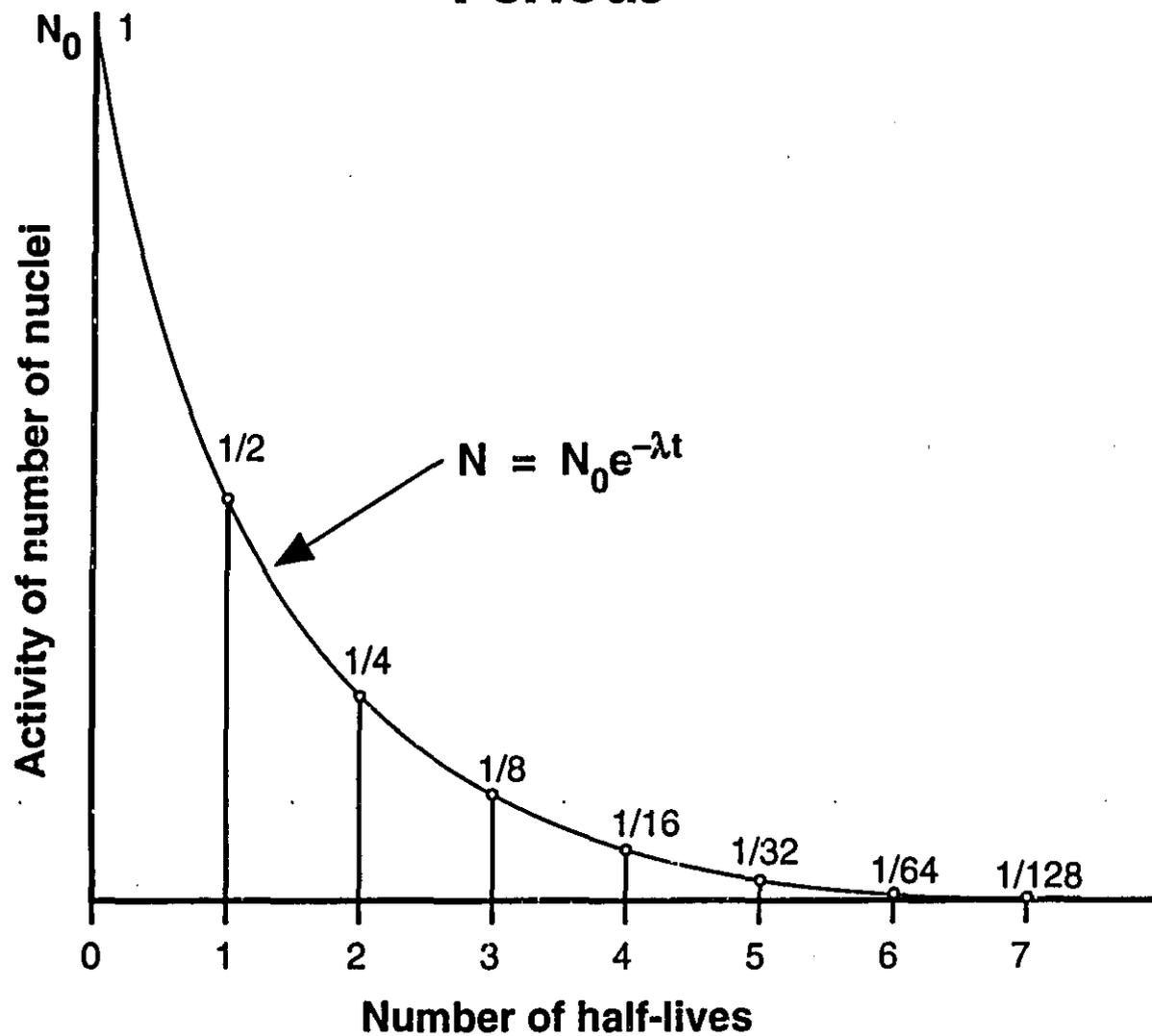


Fig. 1.2

# Representation of Exponential Radioactive Decay in Terms of Half-life Periods



# Binding Energy Per Nucleon

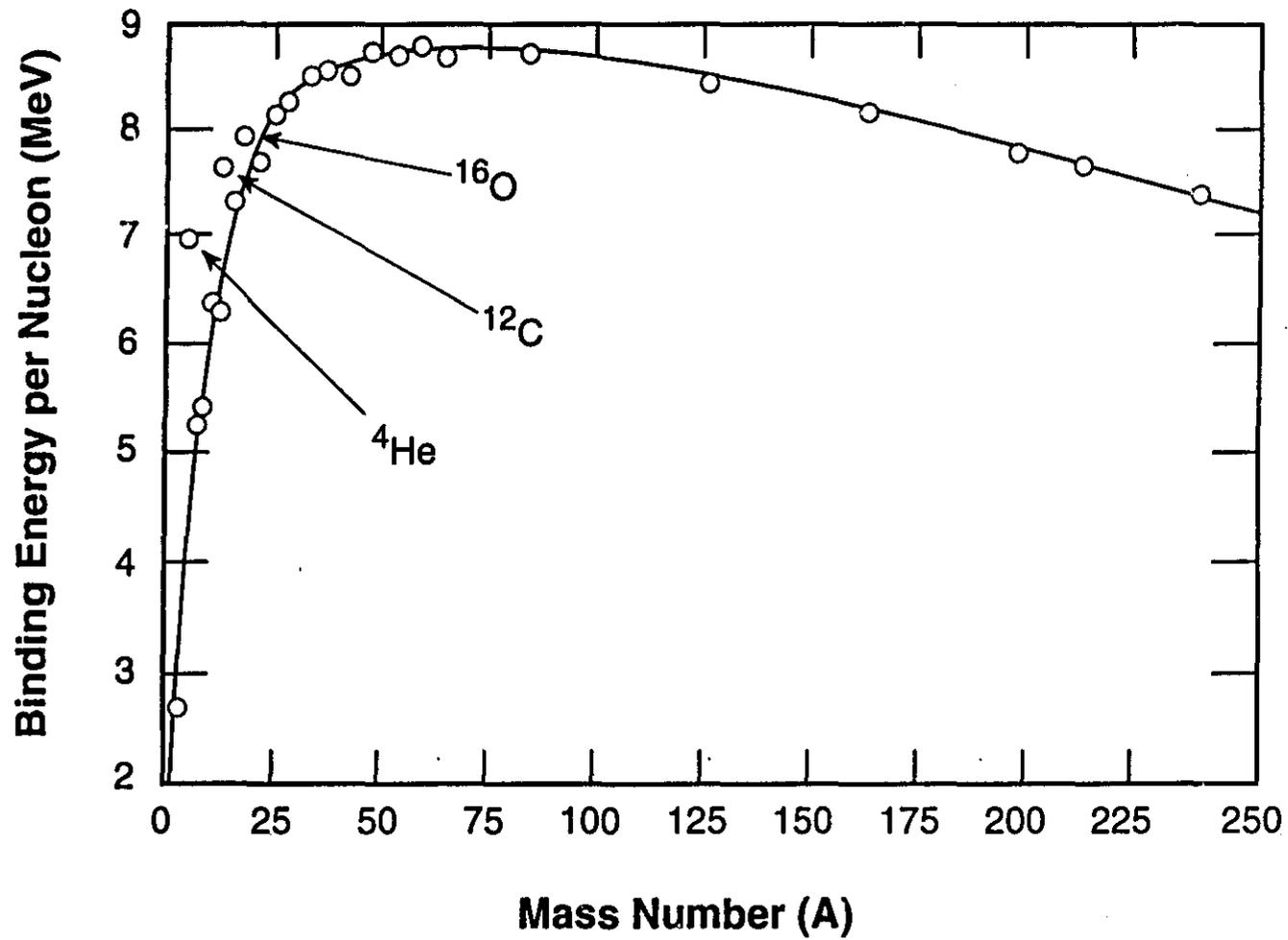
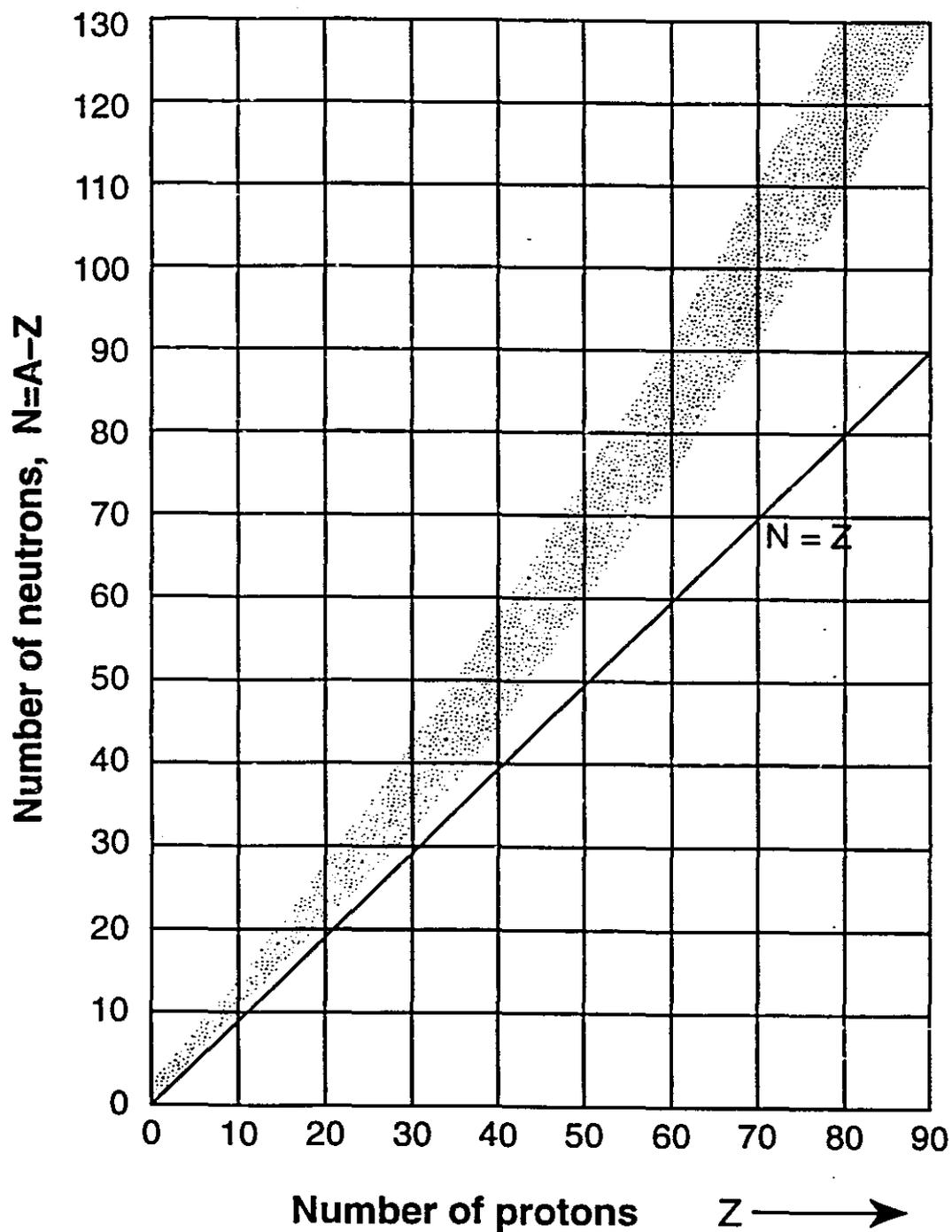
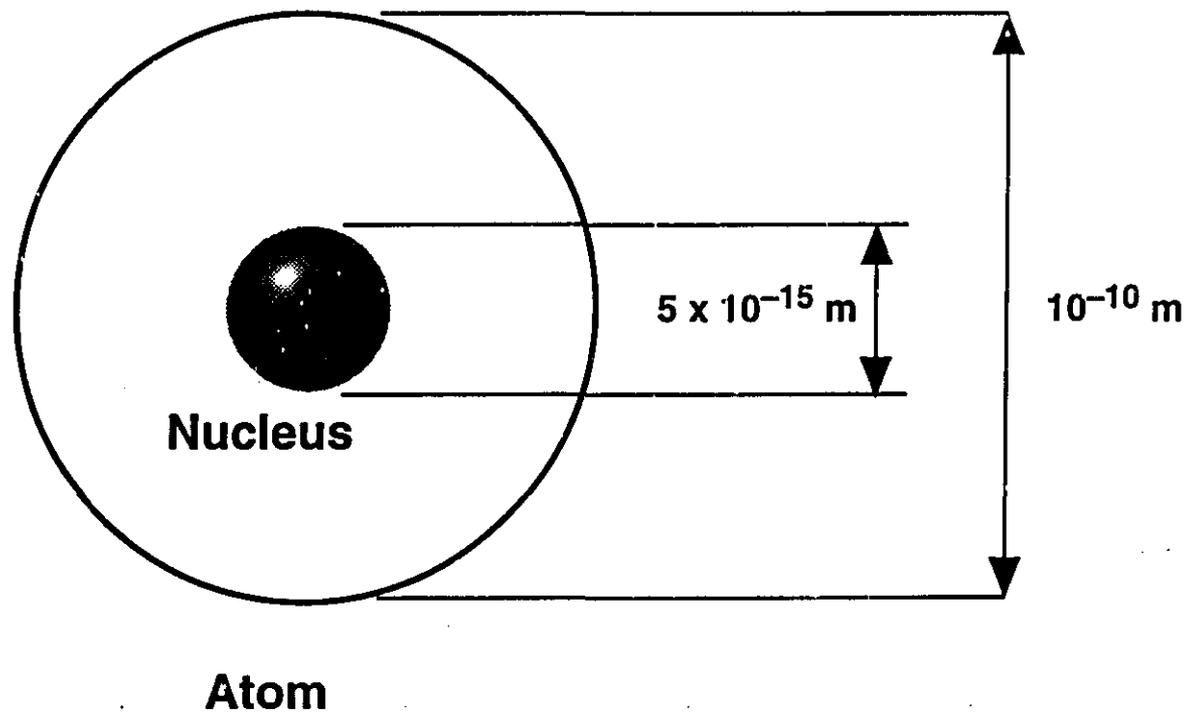


Fig. 1.4

# N/Z Ratios for the Stable Nuclides



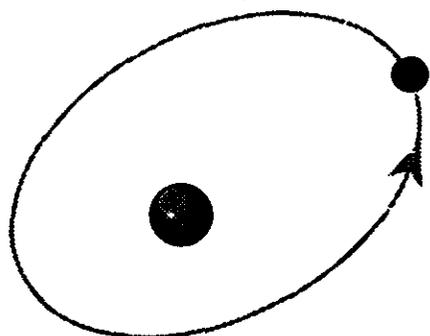
# Atom and Nucleus



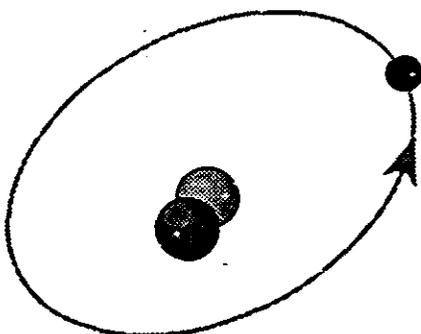
# Atomic Radii ( $\times 10^{-12}\text{m}$ )

1A	2A	3A	4A	5A	6A	7A	8A
Li 152	Be 111	B 88	C 77	N 70	O 66	F 64	He 50
Na 186	Mg 160	Al 143	Si 117	P 110	S 104	Cl 99	Ar 94
K 231	Ca 197	Ga 122	Ge 122	As 121	Se 117	Br 114	Kr 109
Rb 244	Sr 215	In 162	Sn 140	Sb 140	Te 137	I 133	Xe 130
Cs 262	Ba 217	Tl 171	Pb 175	Bi 146	Po 150	At 140	Rn 140

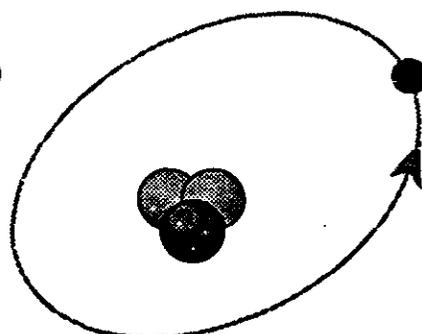
# Atomic Structures



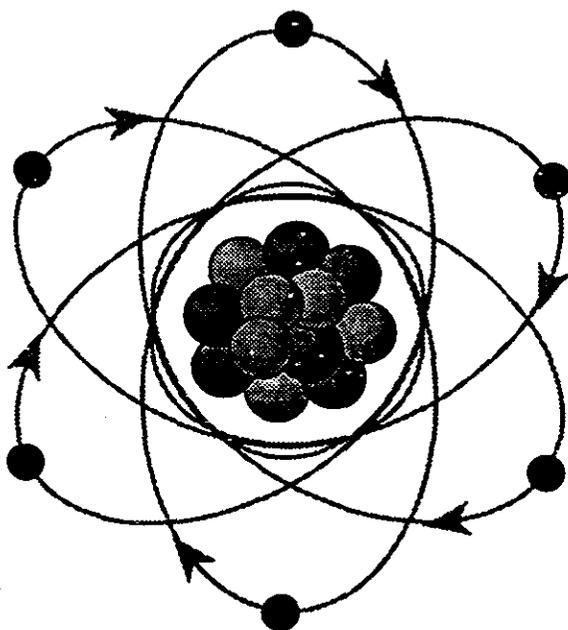
Hydrogen H<sup>1</sup>



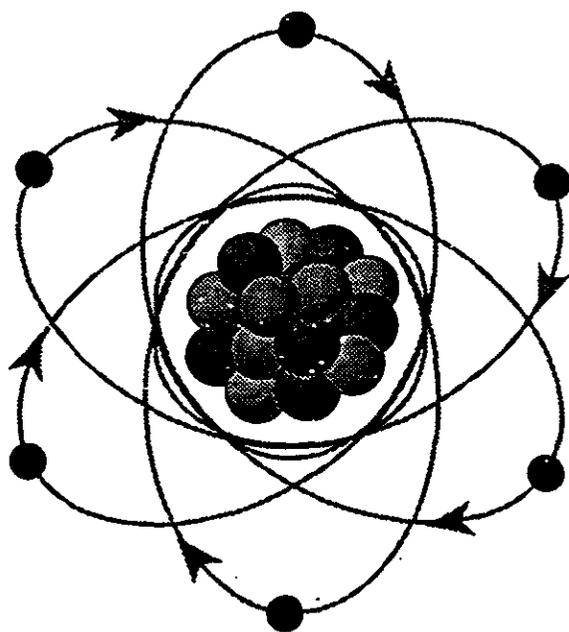
Deuterium H<sup>2</sup>



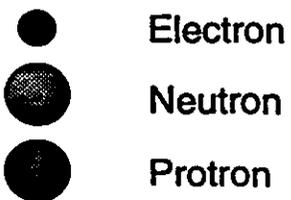
Tritium H<sup>3</sup>



Carbon-12



Carbon-14



## Size of Nucleus

$$\begin{aligned} r &= (1.25 \times 10^{-15}) (A^{1/3}) \text{m} \\ \text{For He } r &= (1.25 \times 10^{-15}) (4)^{1/3} \\ &= 1.25 \times 10^{-15} \times 1.587 \\ &= 1.98 \times 10^{-15} \\ &= 0.00198 \times 10^{-12} \text{m} \\ d &= 0.0040 \times 10^{-12} \text{m} \\ \text{For U } r &= (1.25 \times 10^{-15}) (235)^{1/3} \\ &= 1.25 \times 10^{-15} \times 6.170 \\ &= 7.7 \times 10^{-15} \\ &= 0.0077 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m} \\ d &= 0.0154 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m} \\ \text{For H } r &= (1.25 \times 10^{-15}) (1)^{1/3} \\ &= 1.25 \times 10^{-15} \\ &= 0.00125 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m} \\ d &= 0.0125 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

# Atomic Notation

Atomic Number  $Z$

Atomic Mass Number  $A$

Neutron Number  $N$

$$A = N + Z$$

Chemical Symbol  $X$

Isotope  ${}^A X_Z$

Hydrogen  ${}^1 H_1$

Deuterium  ${}^2 H_1$

Tritium  ${}^3 H_1$

Proton  ${}^1 P_1$

Neutron  ${}^1 n_0$

## Masses and Charges of the Atomic Constituents

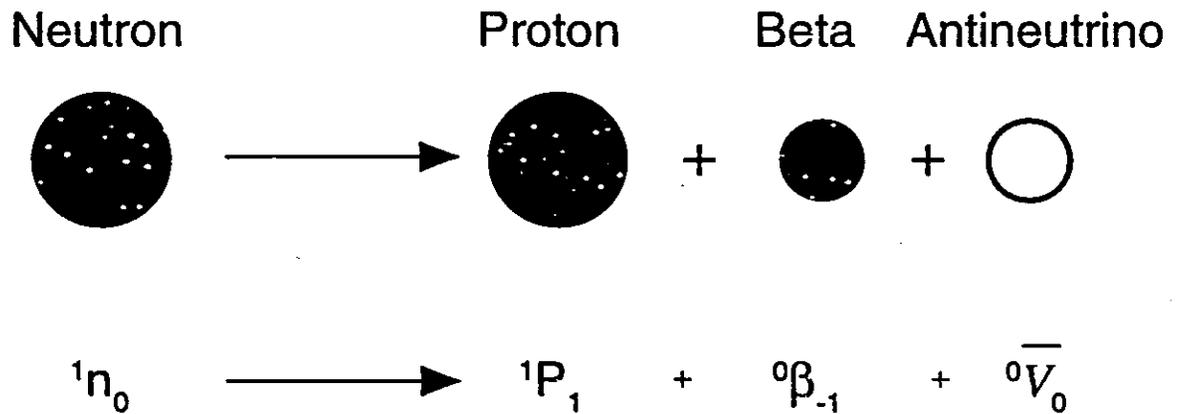
Particle	Mass (kg)	Charge (coulombs)
Proton	$1.67265 \times 10^{-27}$	$1.602 \times 10^{-19}$ (positive)
Neutron	$1.67495 \times 10^{-27}$	0
Electron	$9.10953 \times 10^{-31}$	$1.602 \times 10^{-19}$ (negative)

# Atomic Mass Scale

- \* Atomic mass is based on Carbon-12 Atom
- \* Atomic mass of Carbon-12 Atom is exactly 12
- \* Atomic masses of other elements are given relative to Carbon-12
- \* Atomic Mass ( ${}^A X_Z$ ) = 12 [Mass ( ${}^A X_Z$ )/Mass ( ${}^{12}\text{C}$ )]
- \* Atomic Masses are given in the chart of nuclides.  
Note that the atomic mass includes the mass of the electrons
- \* When determining the mass of the nucleus only, the mass of the electrons must be subtracted (or cancelled)

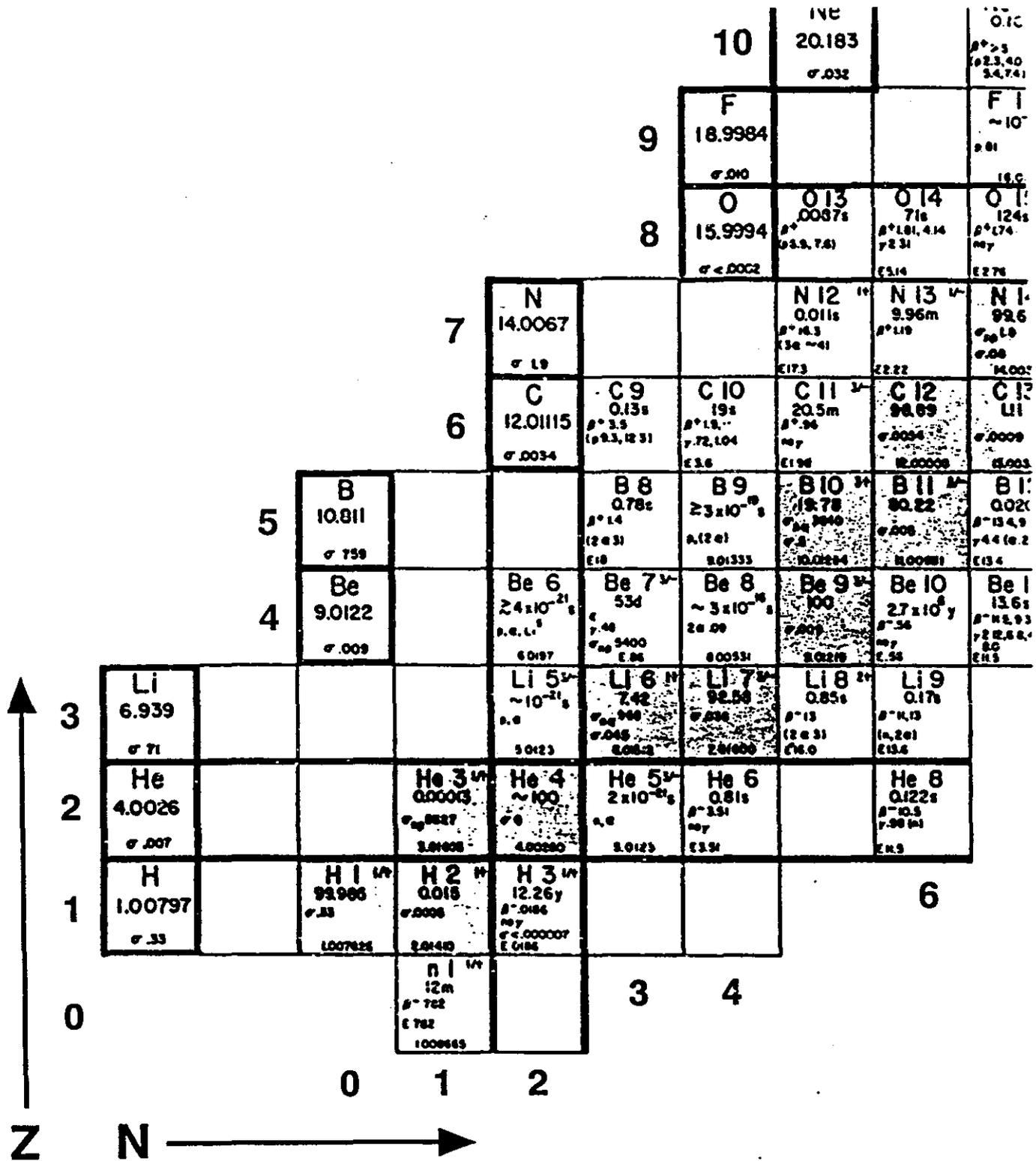
# Neutron Decay

- Mass of Neutron =  $1.67495 \times 10^{-27} \text{kg}$
- Mass of Proton =  $1.67265 \times 10^{-27} \text{kg}$
- Mass of Electron =  $0.00091 \times 10^{-27} \text{kg}$
- Proton + Electron =  $1.67356 \times 10^{-27} \text{kg}$



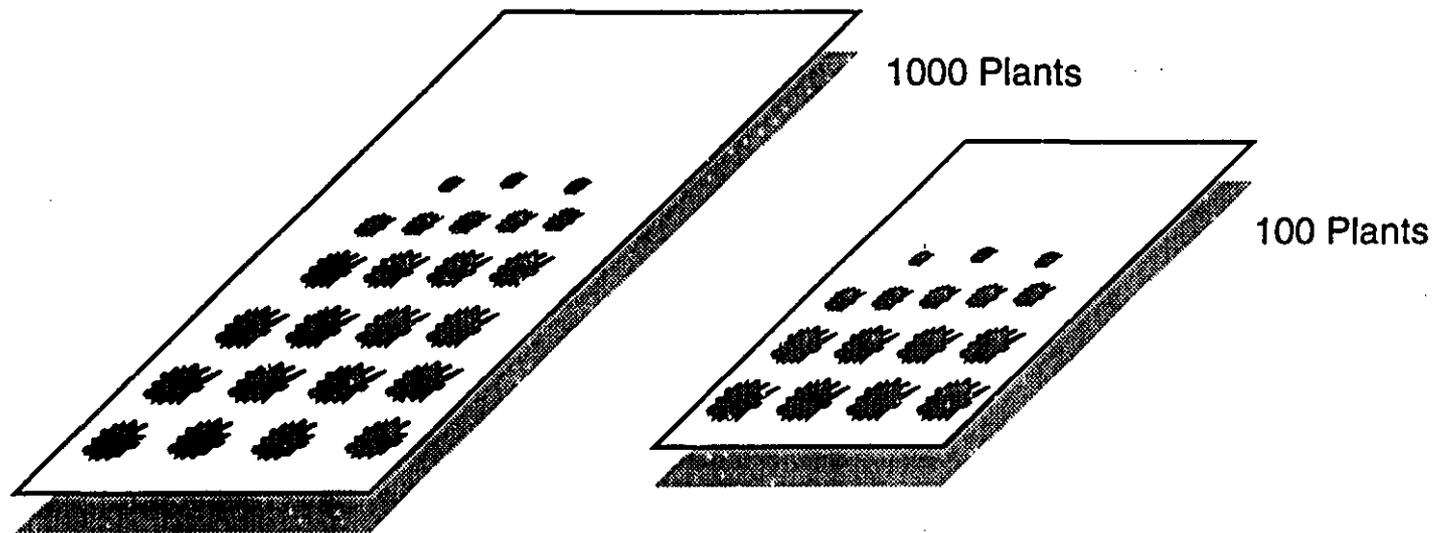
- Neutron Half-Life is 12 minutes
- What is the difference between an Electron and a Beta article?

# Nuclide Chart



# Events Proportional to Number

Flowers opening (daily)



Death rate (yearly)

Death rate in Canada with 25 000 000 people? =

Death rate in St. John with 100 000 people? =

# Exponential Representation

## General Notation

$$10^2 = 100$$

$$\text{Log}_{10} 100 = 2$$

$$10^1 = 10$$

$$\text{Log}_{10} 10 = 1$$

$$e^x = y$$

$$\text{Ln}_e y = x$$

$$e^1 = e$$

$$\text{Ln}_e e = 1$$

$$e^{-\lambda\tau} = y$$

$$\text{Ln}_e y = -\lambda\tau$$

$$e^{-\lambda\tau} = N_t/N_o$$

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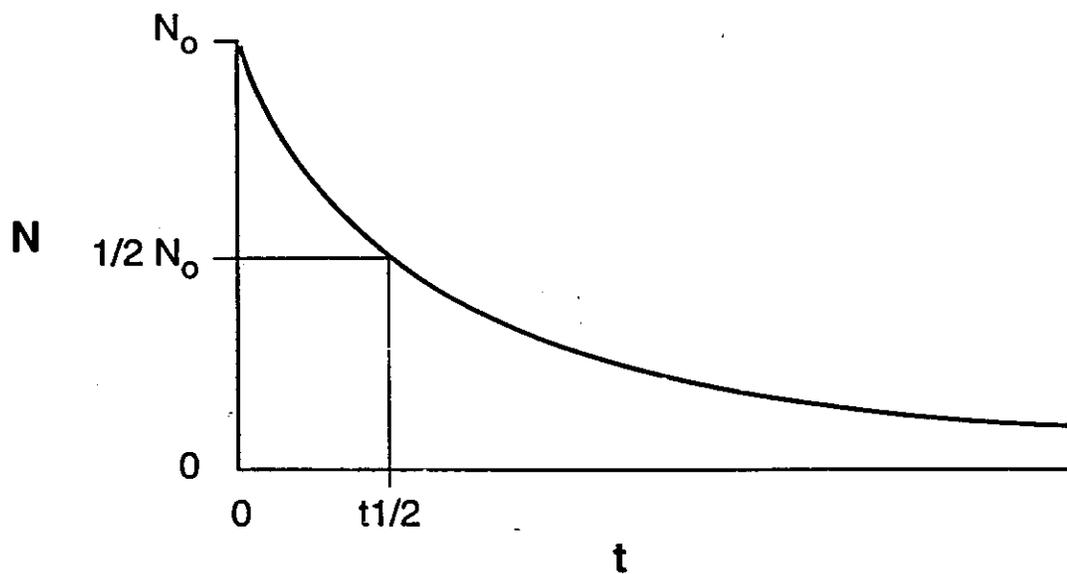
## Solution For Decay Constant Equation

$$\text{Ln} N_t/N_o = -\lambda\tau$$

$$N_t/N_o = e^{-\lambda\tau}$$

$$N_t = M_o e^{-\lambda\tau}$$

# Half Life



**Half life is time for number to decay to half of the initial value**

$$N_t = N_0 e^{-\lambda t}$$

$$N_{t_{1/2}} = N_0 e^{-\lambda t_{1/2}}$$

**But...**  $N_{t_{1/2}} = 1/2 N_0$

$$1/2 N_0 = N_0 e^{-\lambda t_{1/2}}$$

$$2 = e^{-\lambda t_{1/2}}$$

$$\ln_e 2 = \lambda t_{1/2} \ln_e e$$

$$0.693 = \lambda t_{1/2}$$

$$t_{1/2} = \frac{0.693}{\lambda}$$

# Mass-Energy Equivalence

- Mass of  $^{12}\text{C}$  Atom  $\equiv$  12 Atomic Mass Units  
 $1\text{u} = 1.660566 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
- Mass of Proton = 1.0072765 u
- Mass of Neutron = 1.0086650 u
- Mass of Electron = 0.0005486 u

$$E = mc^2$$

$$\text{units (J)} = (\text{kg m}^2/\text{s}^2 = \text{Nm} = \text{J})$$

Energy Per Atomic Mass Unit

$$E = 1.660566 \times 10^{-27} \times (2.998 \times 10^8)^2$$

$$E = 14.925 \times 10^{-11} \text{ J}$$

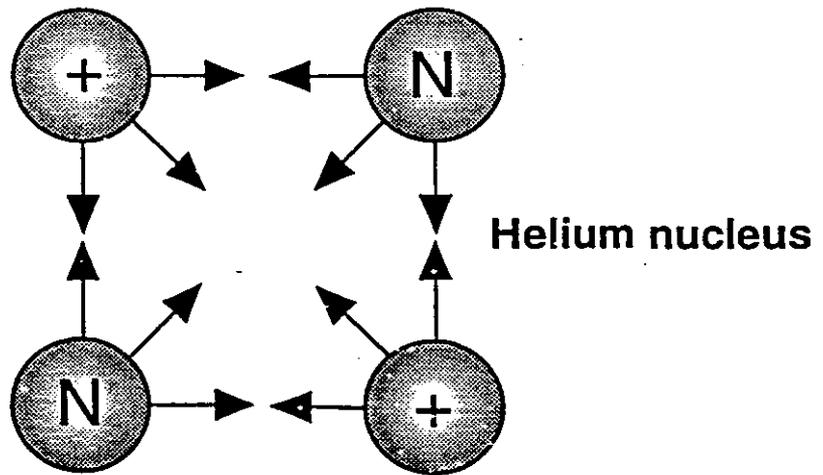
$$\text{but, } 1 \text{ eV} = 1.6022 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

$$\therefore 1 \text{ MeV} = 1.6022 \times 10^{-13} \text{ J}$$

$$\text{Thus } E = 14.925 \times 10^{-11} / 1.6022 \times 10^{-13} \text{ MeV}$$

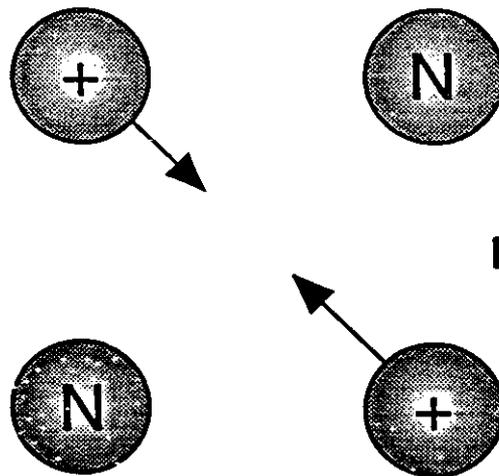
$$E = 931.5 \text{ MeV}$$

# Force Characteristics



Helium nucleus

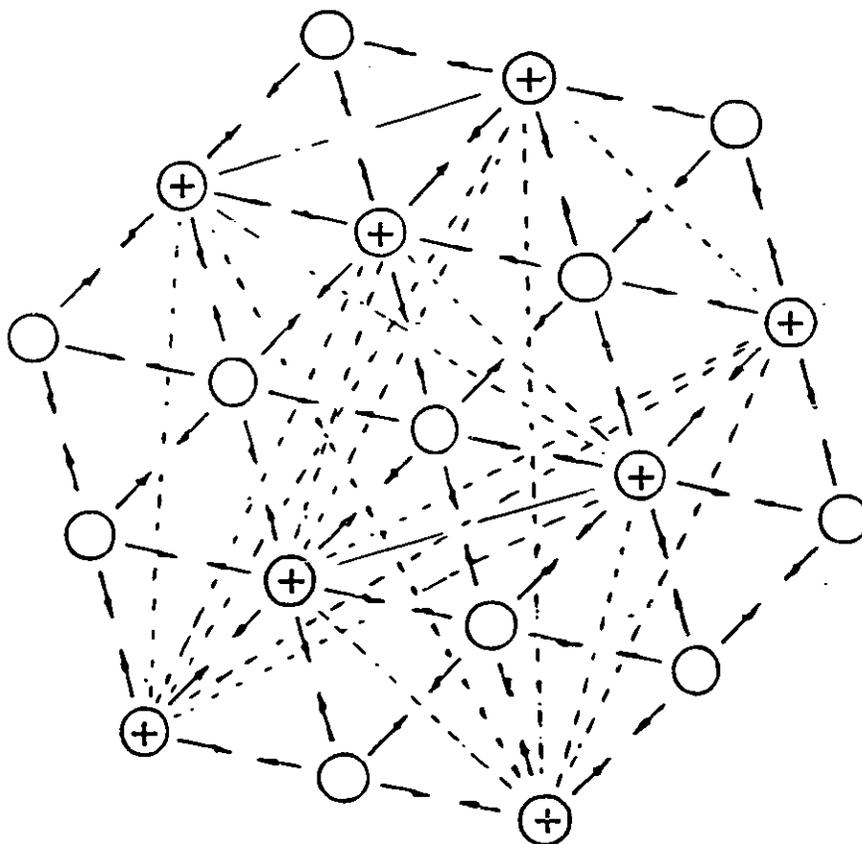
Nuclear forces



Helium nucleus

Electrostatic forces

# Nuclear and Electrostatic Forces

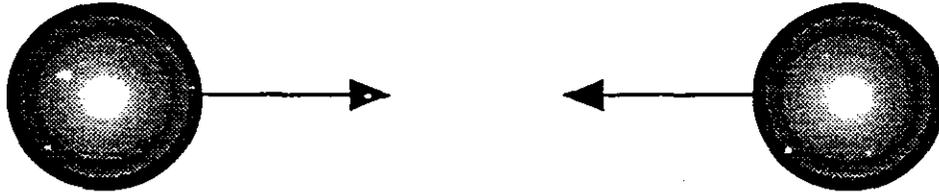


(Visual Model)

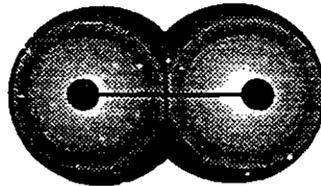
# Mass Defect and Binding Energy

- \* Mass of nucleus < sum of masses of nucleons
- \* Mass Defect = Mass of Nucleons – Mass of Nucleus  
$$\Delta m = (Zm_p + Nm_n - {}^A M_Z)$$
- \* Binding Energy  $\equiv$  Mass Defect  
$$E = mc^2$$
- \* B.E. (Joules) =  $(Zm_p + Nm_n - {}^A M_Z) \times c^2$   
(with masses in kg)
- \* If masses in  $\mu$ , B.E. in MeV is  
$$\text{B.E. (MeV)} = (Zm_p + Nm_n - {}^A M_Z) \times 931.5$$
- \* B.E./Nucleon = B.E. Nucleus/A

# Binding Energy

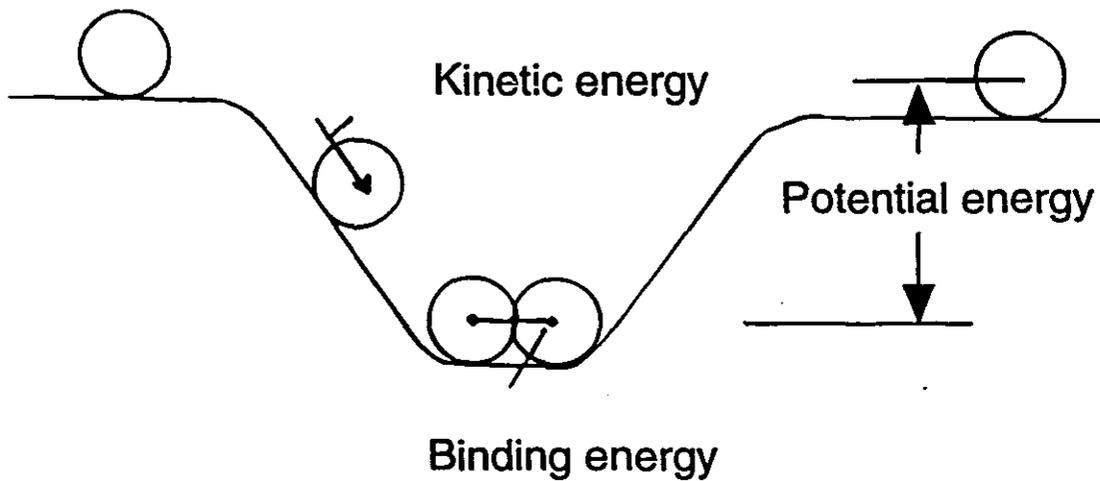


Force of attraction between nucleons

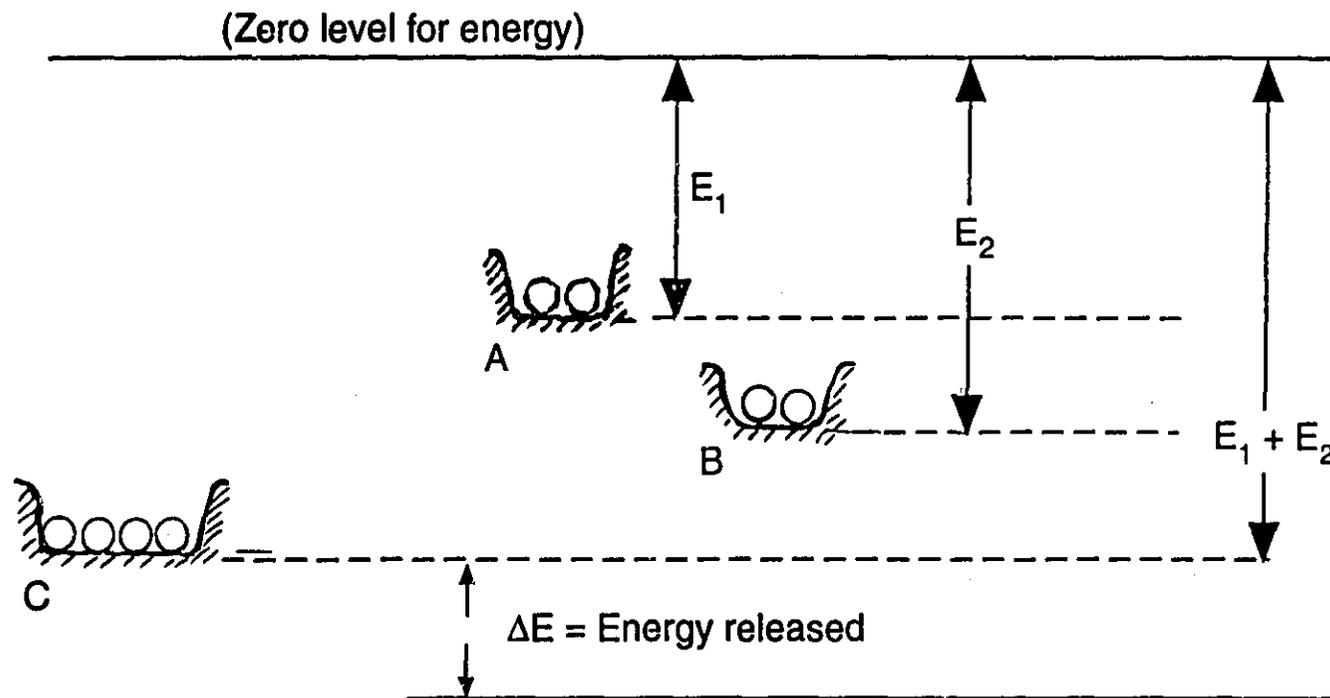


Work done by force = Binding energy (MeV)

Analogy with potential and kinetic energy



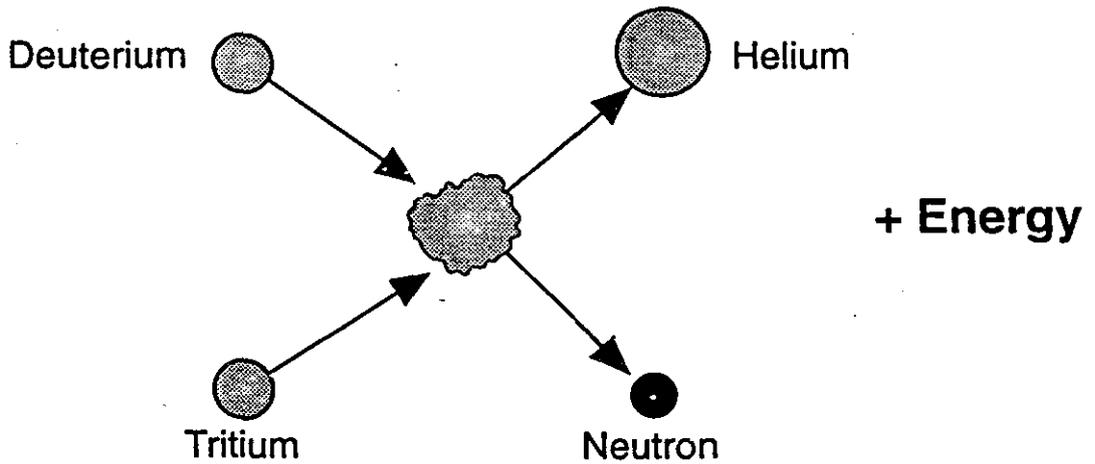
# Energy Release in Fission



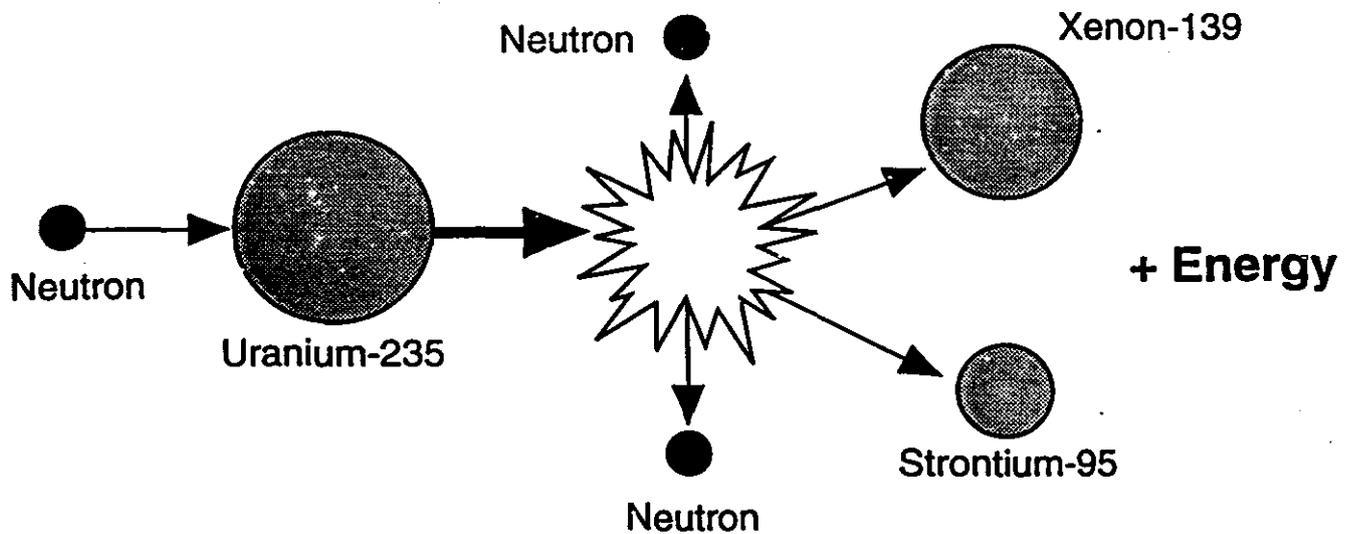
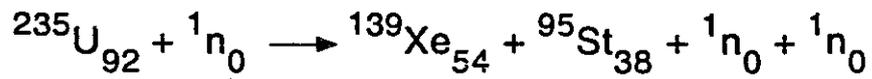
Very heavy nucleus (C) has lower binding energy per nucleon than middle-mass nuclei (A,B) when a very heavy nucleus fissions to become two middle-mass nuclei, the surplus energy  $\Delta E$  is released

# Fusion and Fission

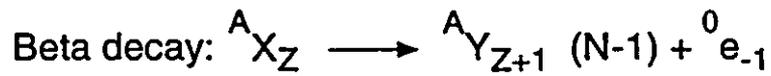
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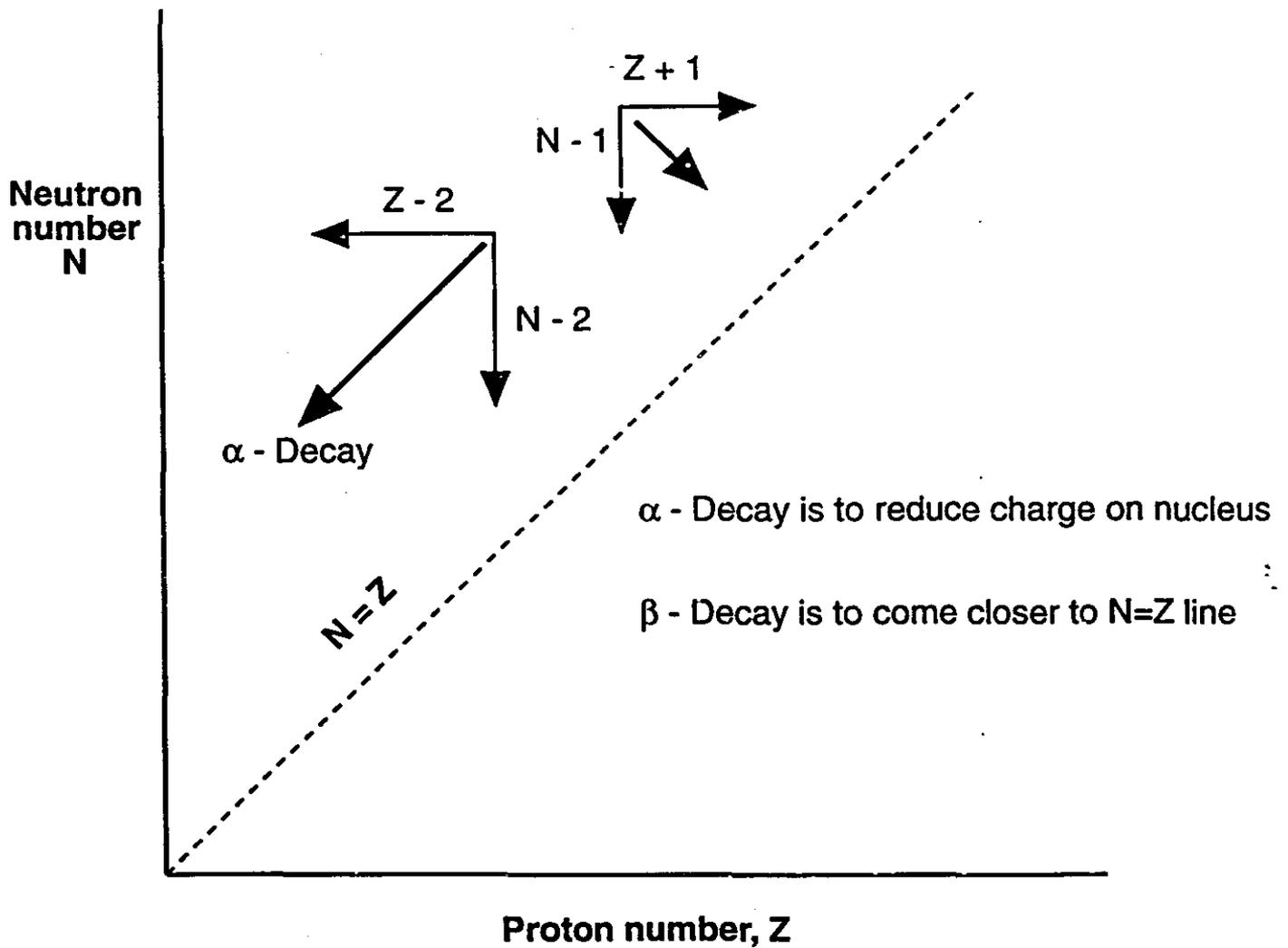
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# Alpha and Beta Decay

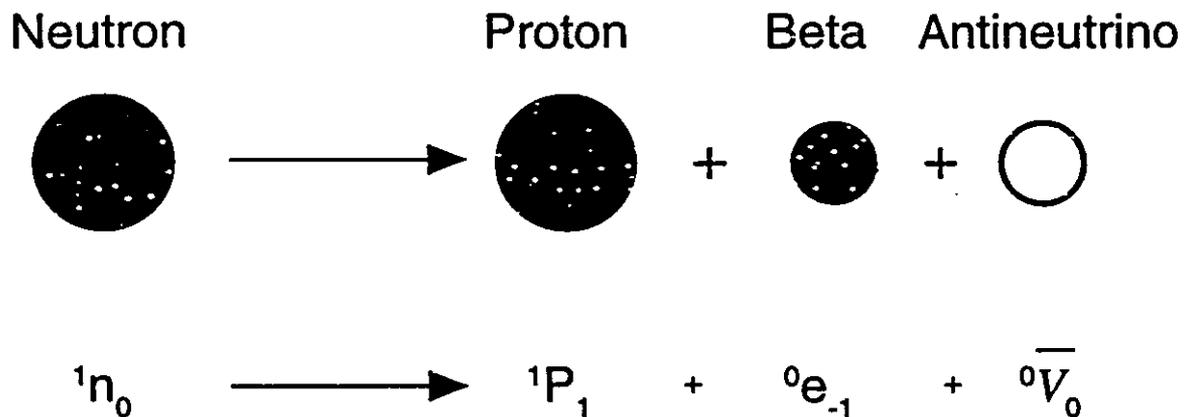


(Neutron  $\longrightarrow$  Proton + Electron)



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