Academic year :2024/2025 Module : Structure of matter

## Series Nº 3

## **Exercise 1:**

Consider the following nuclear reaction:

 $2 \frac{1}{1}H_{+} 2 \frac{1}{0}n \longrightarrow \frac{4}{2}He$ 

- 1) Calculate the change in mass  $\Delta m$ , The masses of each species are given below.
- 2) Calculate the binding energy in MeV
- 3) Calculate the binding energy per nucleon in J and eV.
- 4) Calculate the binding energy in joules and calories per mole of nucleons.

Masses:

neutron = 1.00866 amu

proton = 1.0073 amu

helium = 4.0026 amu

## **Exercise 2:**

A) Write the balanced equation for the nuclear reactions:

 ${}^{130}_{52}Te(d,2n){}^{130}_{53}I \ , \ {}^{40}_{18}Ar(\alpha,P){}^{43}_{19}K \ , \qquad {}^{55}_{25}Mn(n,\gamma){}^{56}_{25}Mn \ , \qquad {}^{15}_{8}O(\beta^+){}^{15}_{7}N \ , {}^{14}_{6}C(\beta^-){}^{14}_{7}N \ , \ {}^{16}_{6}C(\beta^-){}^{14}_{7}N \ , \ {}^{16}_{6}C(\beta^-){}^{16}_{7}N \ , \ {}^{16}_{7}N \ , \ \ {}$ 

B) Write the balanced equation for the nuclear reaction  ${}^{56}_{25}Mn(\beta^{-}){}^{56}_{26}Fe$ 

1) It was found that in 7.5 hours, 1 mole of  ${}^{56}$ Mn decays to gives 49 g of  ${}^{56}$ F. What is the half-life time of manganese?

2) Calculate the mass of a sample of manganese. Its activity is  $2 \times 10^6$  Ci.

3) Calculate the energy resulting from disintegration a nucleus of Mn, and then for 1 mole.

Given  ${}^{56}Mn = 55,93948 \text{ mau}, {}^{56}Fe = 55,93493 \text{ mau}$ 

## **Exercise 3:**

The Thorium  $^{232}_{90}Th$  disintegrates to gives  $^{208}_{82}Pb$ , Calculate the number of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ - particles emitted during this disintegration.