

1. (a) (i)  $\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow n + e^+$  (1) (1)  
(ii) weak (1)  
(iii)  $W^+$  or  $W^-$  (1) 4
- (b)  $\gamma$  photon or high energy photon/kinetic energy (1)  
converted to a particle and its antiparticle (1)  
 $p + \bar{p}$  or  $e^- + e^+$  (1) 3  
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2. (a)  ${}^{12}_6\text{C}$  (1) 1
- (b)  $2e$  (1)  
 $= (2 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}) = 3.2 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$  (1) 2
- (c)  $\left(\frac{Q}{m}\right) = \frac{6 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}}{14 \times 1.67 \times 10^{-27}}$  (1)  
 $= 4.1(1) \times 10^7 \text{ C kg}^{-1}$  (1) 2 [5]
3. (a) (i)  $Z^0$  with the weak interaction  
gluons or pions with the strong nuclear force  
 $\gamma$  photons with electromagnetic interaction  
gravitons with gravity  
(any exchange particle (1) and corresponding interaction (1))
- (ii) transfers energy  
transfers momentum  
transfers force  
(sometimes) transfers charge any two (1)(1) 4
- (b)  $p \bar{n} \pi^0$  (1)  
 $\nu_e e^+ \mu^-$  (1)  
 $\bar{n} e^+$  (1)  
 $p e^+ \mu^-$  (1) 4 [8]
4. (a) (i) 94 (protons) (1)

	(ii)	145 (neutrons) (1)		
	(iii)	93 (electrons) (1)	3	
	(b)	same number of protons [or same atomic number] (1)		
		different number of neutrons/nucleons [or different mass number] (1)	2	[5]
5.	(a)	pair production (1)	1	
	(b)	(i) the $\gamma$ ray must provide enough energy to provide for the (rest) mass (1) any extra energy will provide the particle(s) with <b>kinetic</b> energy (1)		
		(ii) $(0.511 + 0.511) = 1.022$ (MeV) (1)	3	
	(c)	any pairing of a particle with its corresponding antiparticle (e.g. $p + \bar{p}$ ) (1)	1	[5]
6.	(a)	$n + \nu_{(e)}$ (1)(1)		
		$\mu^-$ (1)		
		$K^+$ (1)	4	
	(b)	$d \rightarrow u + \beta^- + \nu_{(e)}$ (1)(1)	2	
	(c)	(i) weak interaction (1)		
		lepton (1)		
		electromagnetic and gravitational (1)	3	[9]
7.	(a)	55 protons		
		55 electrons (1)		
		82 neutrons (1)	2	

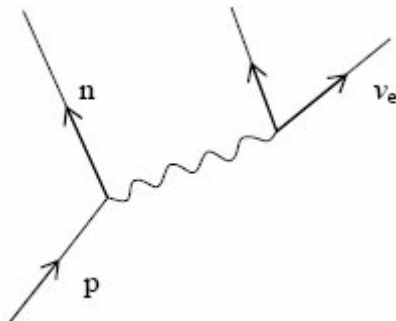
- (b) (i) same number of protons (1)  
different number of neutrons (1)
- (ii)  $^{134 \rightarrow 154}_{55}\text{Cs}$  (1) 3
- (c) specific charge (= charge/mass) =  $55 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} / 137 \times 1.67 \times 10^{-27}$  (1)  
 $3.85 \times 10^7$  (1) C kg<sup>-1</sup> (1) 3

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8. (a) (i)  $\bar{q}\bar{q}$ ;  $qqq$ ;  $\overline{qqq}$   
(1)(1) ((1) for just two combinations)
- (ii)  $\pi^+ = \bar{u}d$  (1)  
 $\bar{p} = \bar{d}uu$  (1) 4
- (b) (i) strangeness = -3  
charge = -1  
baryon number = +1  
lepton number = 0  
(1)(1)(1) if all correct – lose one for each error
- (ii) the proton (1) 4

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9. (a) n (1)  
p (1)  
 $\nu_e$  (1)



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- (b) (i)  $\gamma$  photon (1)  
(ii)  $\gamma$  is massless  
 $\gamma$  has infinite range  
 $\gamma$  does not carry charge (1)(1) any two 3

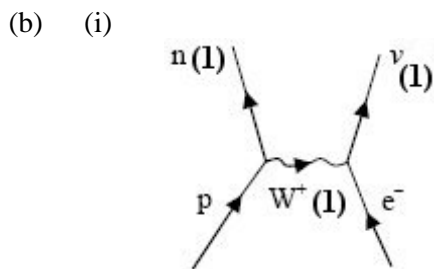
- (c) (i) all properties/quantum numbers (e.g. charge, strangeness) are opposite (1)  
but the masses are the same (1)

- (ii)  $\pi^0$  (1)  
 $\bar{K}^0$  (1)  
 $\gamma$  (1) 5

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10. (a) (i) electromagnetic (1)  
photon (or  $\gamma$ ) (1)

- (ii) charge  
mass  
lepton number  
baryon number  
strangeness  
any two (1)(1) 4



- (ii) weak (1)

- (iii) charge (1)  
 charge before = + and - = 0 same after (1)  
 baryon number (1)  
 +1 before (p) and +1 after (n) (1)  
 lepton number (1)  
 +1 before and +1 after (1)  
 or strangeness
- (iv) if a reliable experiment does not support a hypothesis or  
 experiment proves/disproves/checks theory (1)  
 the hypothesis must be changed/rejected or  
 hypothesis/theory can be extended to other areas (1) 10

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11. (a) isotopes (are varieties of the same element that) have the same  
 number of protons/atomic number/proton number (1)  
 but different numbers of neutrons/nucleons/atomic mass (1) 2

- (b) 8

	number of protons	number of neutrons	specific charge of nucleus/ C kg <sup>-1</sup> (1)
first isotope	92	143	$= 92 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}$ (1) $/(92 \times 1.67 \times 10^{-27}$ $+ 143 \times 1.67 \times 10^{-27})$ (1) $= 3.8 \times 10^7$ (1)
second isotope	92 (1)	$3.7 \times 10^7 = 92 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}$ $/(A \times 1.67 \times 10^{-27})$ (1) $A \times 1.67 \times 10^{-27} =$ $92 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}/3.7 \times 10^7$ $A = 238$ (1) number of neutrons $= 238 - 92 = 146$ (1) or 148 if used u or 147 (depends on rounding)	3.7 × 10 <sup>7</sup>

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12. (a) (i) three (1)  
one (1) 2
- (b) (i) charge (1)  
baryon number (1)  
lepton number (1)  
mass (1)  
energy (1)  
momentum (1)  
**max 2**
- (ii) strangeness (1)  
(iii) weak interaction/(nuclear) force (1)  
(iv) proton (1) 5

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13. (a) (i) particles that experience the strong (nuclear) force/interaction (1) 1
- (ii) particles composed of **three quarks** (1) 1
- (iii) particles composed of a quark and an antiquark (1) 1
- (b) similarity: but the same (rest) mass **or** rest energy (1)  
difference: **opposite** quantum states eg charge (1) 2
- (c)
- |            | charge/C               | baryon number | quark structure         |
|------------|------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|
| antiproton | $-1.6 \times 10^{-19}$ | -1            | $\bar{u}\bar{u}\bar{d}$ |
- 1 for each error 2
- (d) (i) weak interaction (1)  
strange not conserved or there is a change/decay of quark (flavour) (1) 2

- (ii) **any two**  
 eg charge  
 baryon number  
 (muon) lepton number 2

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- 14.** (a) (i) an electron **(1)** 1

- (ii) change in  $A = 0$  **(1)**  
 change in  $Z = +1$  **(1)** 2

- (b) (i)  ${}^A_Z X \rightarrow {}^A_{Z+1} Y + {}^0_{-1} e + \bar{\nu}_e$  **(1)**  
**or**  $n \rightarrow p + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e$   
**or**  $d \rightarrow u + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e$  1

- (ii) lepton number must be conserved **(1)**  
 lepton number before decay equals zero  
 hence after decay lepton number of electrons cancels with lepton  
 number of anti-neutrino **or** zero on both sides **(1)** 2

- (iii) hypothesis needs to be tested by experiment **(1)**  
 experiment must be repeatable **(1)**  
**or** hypothesis rejected 2

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