

1. (a) (i) $\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow n + e^+$ (1) (1)
(ii) weak (1)
(iii) W^+ or W^- (1) 4
- (b) γ 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
 γ 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 γ ray must provide enough energy to provide for the (rest) mass (1) any extra energy will provide the particle(s) with kinetic 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)		
		μ^- (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	

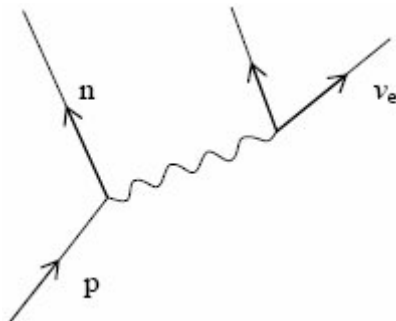
- (b) (i) same number of protons (1)
different number of neutrons (1)
- (ii) $^{134 \rightarrow 154}_{55}\text{Cs}$ (1) 3
- (c) specific charge (= charge/mass) = $55 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} / 137 \times 1.67 \times 10^{-27}$ (1)
 3.85×10^7 (1) C kg⁻¹ (1) 3

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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)
 ν_e (1)



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

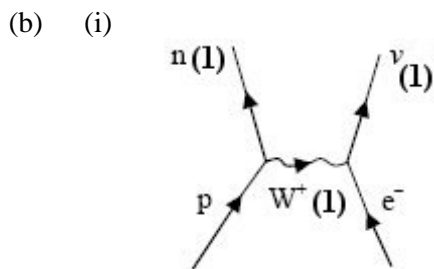
- (c) (i) all properties/quantum numbers (e.g. charge, strangeness) are opposite (1)
but the masses are the same (1)

- (ii) π^0 (1)
 \bar{K}^0 (1)
 γ (1) 5

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10. (a) (i) electromagnetic (1)
photon (or γ) (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 ⁻¹ (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 ⁷

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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 | -1.6×10^{-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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