

## Announcements – Lecture XXI – Tuesday, Dec 6<sup>th</sup>

1. Final Lab – Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup> ... 1-4pm.

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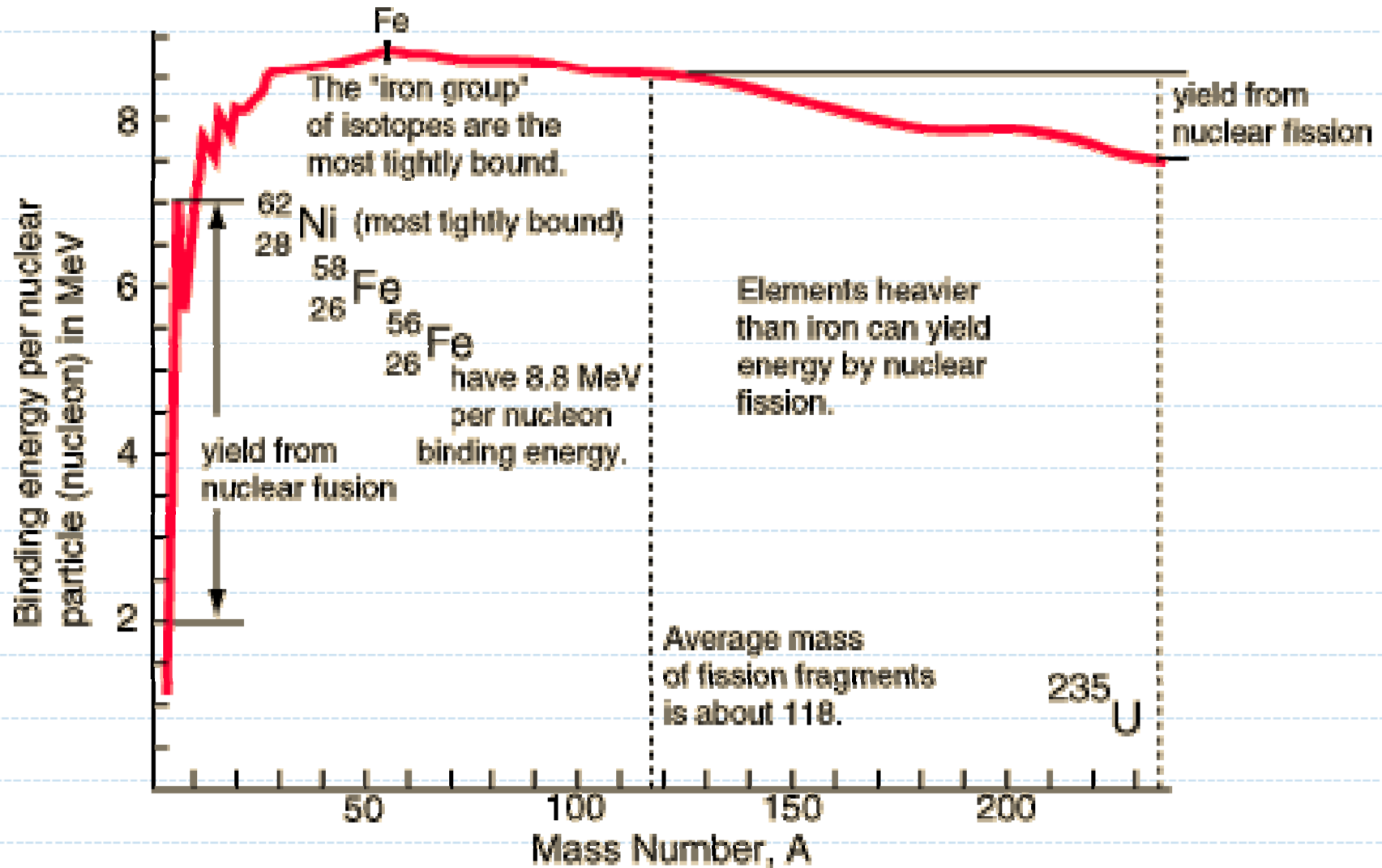
2. Third Exam – Thursday December 8<sup>th</sup> – 1:00-2:15pm – In Class  
3 or 4 questions will be taken from Lab Owls 3 and 4.

3. iClicker – The Final One 😊😊😊

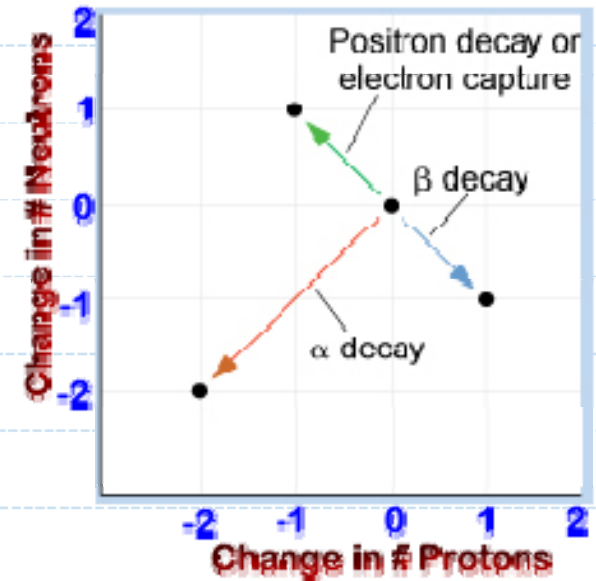
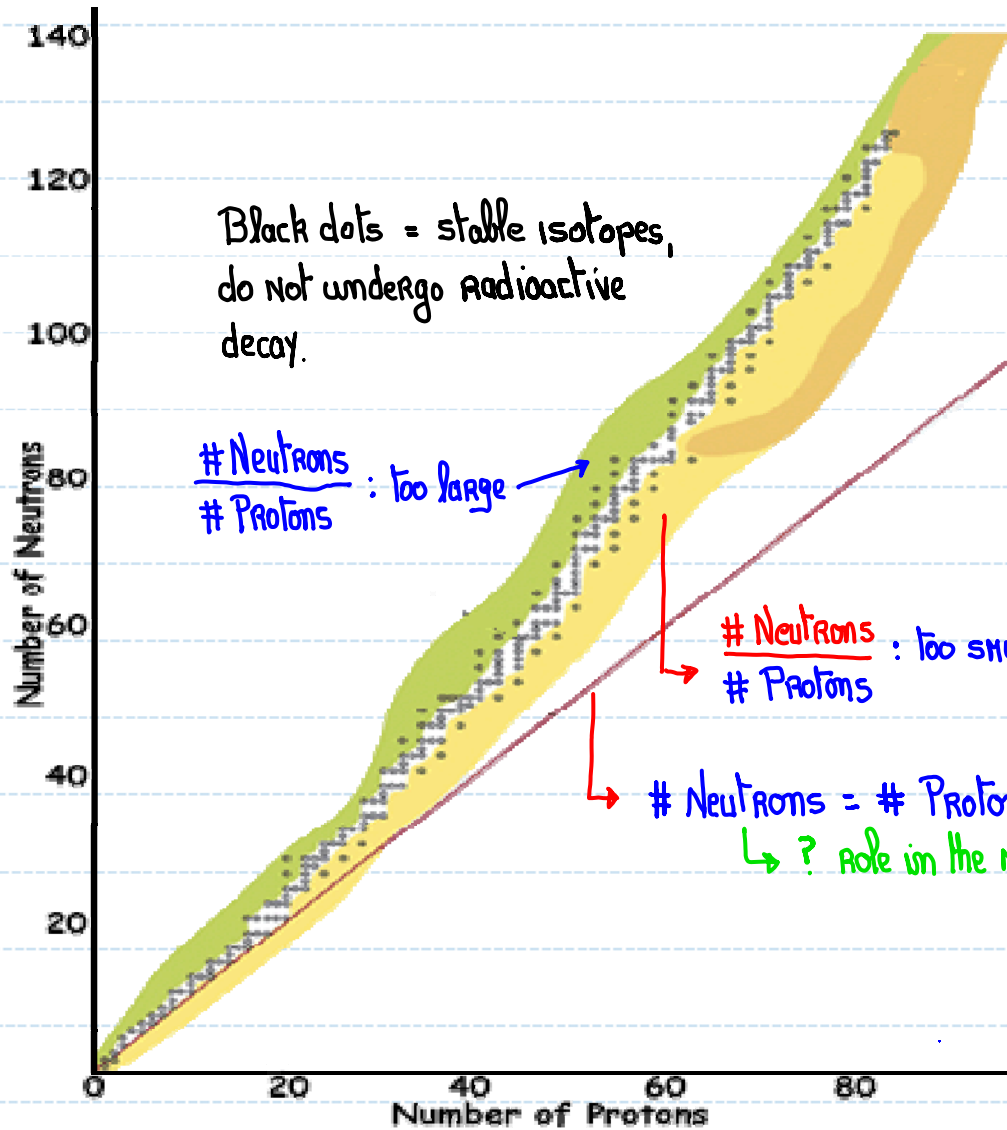


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### 9.3 Binding Energy – Nuclear Fusion Vs Nuclear Fission



## 9.3 Nuclei Stability Zone?



## 9.3 What Happens When a Nucleus Emits Radioactivity Decay Methods

1. Alpha Emission:



2. Beta Emission :



3. POSITRON EMISSION:



4. Nucleus captures an electron ... Electron Capture:  
 ${}^0_{-1}e$

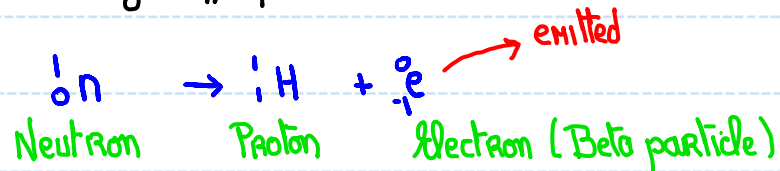
Note 1, 2 and 3: The emitted particle is a product.

4: The captured electron is a reactant.

### 9.3 What Happens When a Nucleus Emits Radioactivity

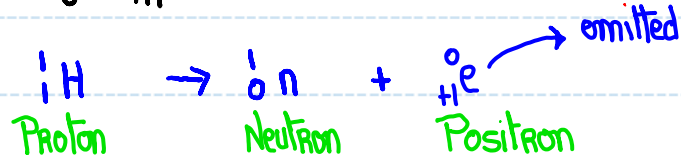
What's happening in the Nucleus – emitting  ${}^0_{-1}e$ ,  ${}^0_{+1}e$  and capturing  ${}^0_{-1}e$  – a simplistic approach.

2. Nucleus emitting a  ${}^0_{-1}\beta$  particle ... an electron ... where does this  ${}^0_{-1}e$  come from?



Net result in nucleus  $\rightarrow$  Neutron converted to a Proton.

3. Nucleus emitting a  ${}^0_{+1}\beta$  particle ... a positron ... where does this  ${}^0_{+1}e$  come from?

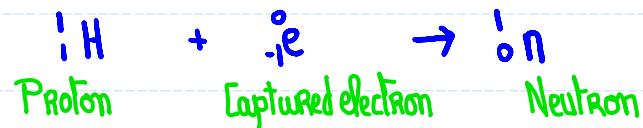


Net result in nucleus  $\rightarrow$  Proton converted to a Neutron.

### 9.3 What Happens When a Nucleus Emits Radioactivity

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4. Nucleus capturing an electron ... why? ... what does the nucleus do with an  ${}^0_{-1}e$ ?



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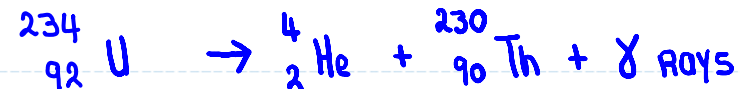
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#### C – Alpha Emission ( ${}^4_2\text{He}$ )

${}^{234}_{92}\text{U}$  undergoes radioactive decay by emitting an alpha particle. As a result of this emission the #Neutron/#Proton ratio –



- a) Increases ✓      b) Decreases      c) Remains the same



$${}^{234}_{92}\text{U} : \frac{142}{92} = 1.543$$

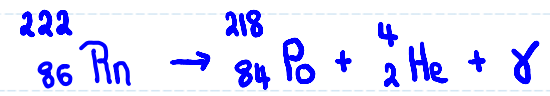
$${}^{230}_{90}\text{Th} : \frac{140}{90} = 1.556$$

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### C – Alpha Emission ( ${}^4_2\text{He}$ )



PROBLEM:



↳ adheres to lung tissue.



Solution:

- Seal all cracks.
- Ventilation.



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### C – Alpha Emission ( ${}^4_2\text{He}$ )



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#### Radiation found at 12 locations

Experts probing the death of former Russian spy Alexander Litvinenko have found traces of radioactivity at 12 locations, the home secretary has said.

Among them are two British Airways (BA) planes. A third one is awaiting checks.



Mr Litvinenko died last week in a London hospital

Home Secretary John Reid told Parliament that two Russian aircraft, one of which is currently at Heathrow airport, were also of interest.

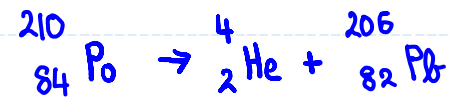
The Health Protection Agency said 24 people had been referred to a specialist clinic for tests.

BA is contacting 33,000 passengers from 221 flights. But Mr Reid stressed the public health risk was low.

Mr Litvinenko, an ex-KGB officer and a fierce critic of Russian President Vladimir Putin, died last week of radiation poisoning.

Traces of radioactive polonium-210 were discovered in his body, and more traces of the substance have been found at venues he visited in the capital on 1 November.

Earlier, an inquest into the death of Mr Litvinenko was



See class web site for some 2015 articles.



## Announcements – Lecture XXII – Thursday, Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>

### 1. Final Lab – Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup> ... 1-4pm ... ISB 155/160 (A-E)

*a) Print lab prior to coming to lab -- use the 'Print Friendly Version' located on the top left hand side of the page – this is the version that contains the 'Data Sheet' that you will hand in upon completing the lab.*

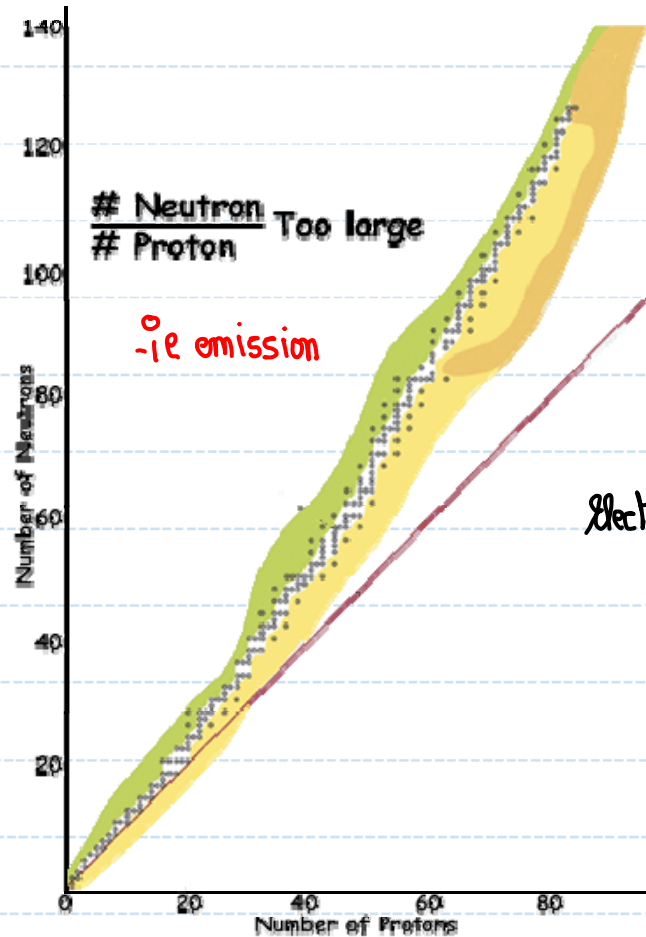
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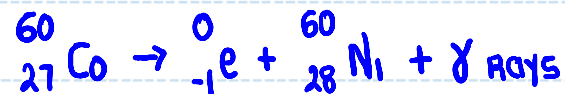
## 9.3 What Happens When a Nucleus Emits Radioactivity



${}^{60}_{27}\text{Co}$  is one of many radioactive isotopes whose #Neutron/#Proton ratio is too large. Radioactive isotopes on this side of the stability have only one form of radioactive decay available to them –

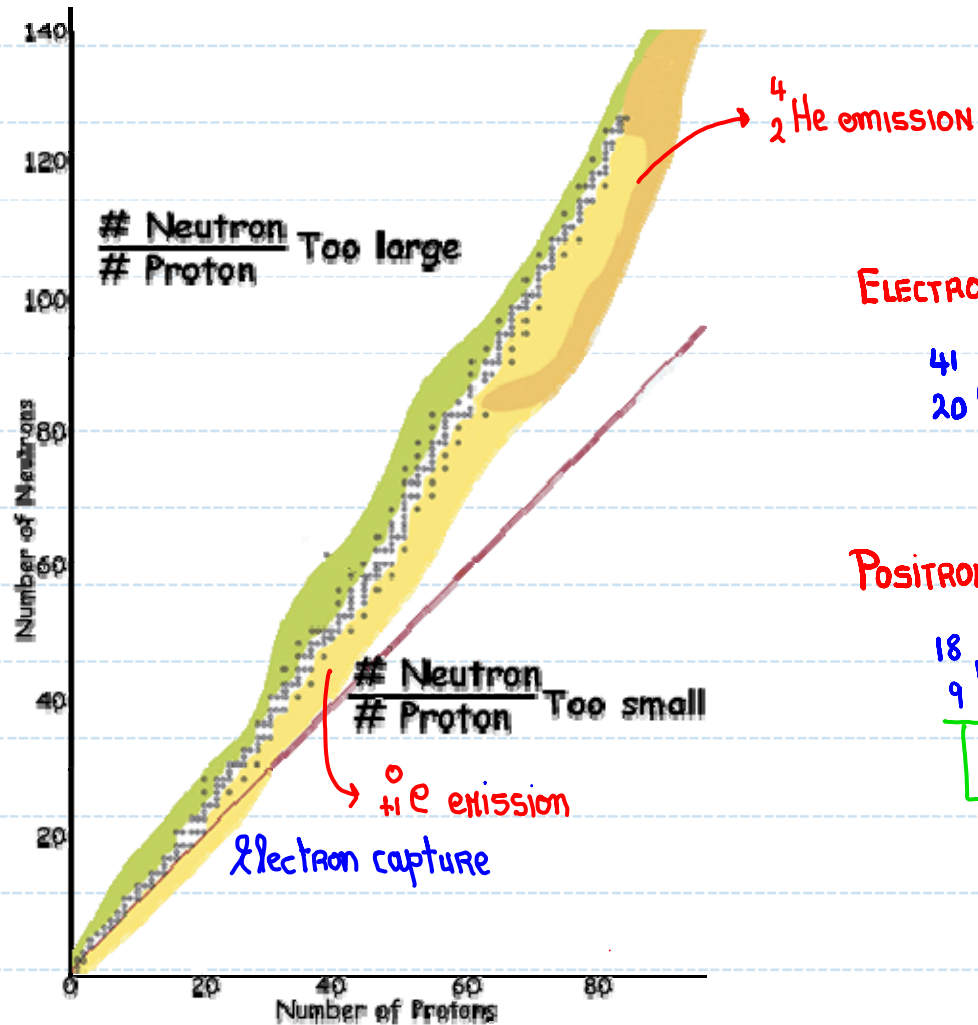
- a) Alpha emission 
- b) Positron emission
- c) Electron capture
- d) Beta emission. ✓

${}^4_2\text{He}$  : causes #N/#P to ↑ X  
 ${}^0_{+1}\text{e}$  : Proton converted to a Neutron. X  
 Electron capture : Proton converted to a Neutron. X  
 ${}^0_{-1}\text{e}$  : Neutron converted to a Proton ✓

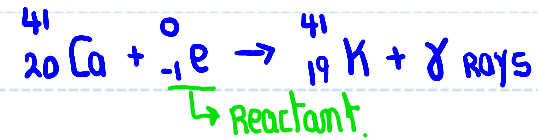


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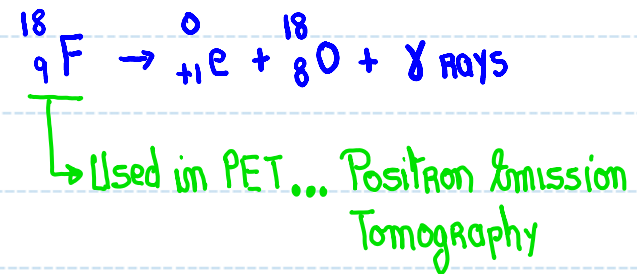
### Positron Emission – Electron Capture – Alpha Emission



ELECTRON CAPTURE:



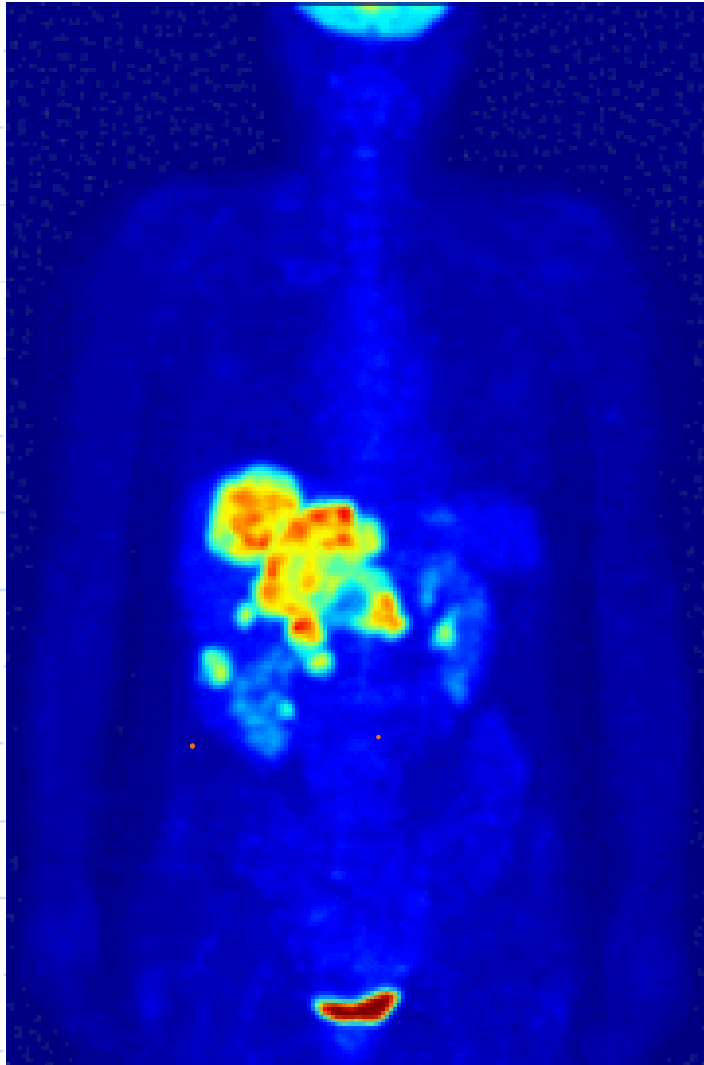
POSITRON EMISSION:



### 9.3

## What Happens When a Nucleus Emits Radioactivity

### D – Positron Emission ( ${}^0_{+1}e$ ) – Positron emission tomography



Short lived isotopes:

|                     |   |               |
|---------------------|---|---------------|
| ${}^{11}_6\text{C}$ | : | ~ 20 minutes  |
| ${}^{13}_7\text{N}$ | : | ~ 10 minutes  |
| ${}^{15}_8\text{O}$ | : | ~ 2 minutes   |
| ${}^{18}_9\text{F}$ | : | ~ 110 minutes |

