

## Bank Questions / Ch.3/ Environmental Radiation

**Q1/Which type of radiation interact strongly with matter?**

- a) Beta
- b) Alpha
- c) Neutron
- d) proton

**Q2/ What are three ways can photon interact with mater?**

**Q3/ The Compton effect can be explained on the basis of \_\_\_\_\_**

- a) Wave nature of light
- b) Quantum theory of light
- c) Ray optics
- d) Wave optics

**Q4/What kind of photon is required for the Compton effect to occur?**

- a) Visible Light Photon
- b) X-ray Photon
- c) Infrared
- d) UV Photon

**Q5/The expression for Compton shift is \_\_\_\_\_**

- a)  $h/m_0c \cos\theta$
- b)  $h/m_0c(1-\cos\theta)$
- c)  $h/m_0c \sin\theta$
- d)  $h/m_0c (1-\sin\theta)$

**Q6/ X rays of wavelength 0.15 nm are scattered from a block of carbon. What is the wavelength of X-rays scattered at  $0^\circ$ ?**

- a) 0.15 nm
- b) 0.154 nm
- c) 0.165 nm
- d) 0.178 nm

**Q7/X-rays with wavelength 0.1 nm are scattered from a carbon block. The scattered radiations are viewed at right angles to the direction of incident beam. What is the Compton shift?**

- a) 0.0014 nm
- b) 0.0024 nm
- c) 0.0034 nm
- d) 0.0044 nm

**Q8/Charge and momentum are conserved in Pair Production.**

- a) True
- b) False

**Q9/A photon of energy 4.1 MeV is incident on a lead nucleus, causing the creation of electron-positron pair. They travel perpendicular to the initial direction of the photon. The energy of the electron is \_\_\_\_\_**

- a) 4.1 MeV
- b) 2.05 MeV
- c) 1.02 MeV
- d) 0.51 MeV

**Q10/ What is pair production and pair annihilation?**

**Q11/Why does pair production need a nucleus?**

**Q12/ what factors effect beam attenuation?**

**Q13/ what does linear absorption coefficient depend on?**

**Q14/A positron has a mass number of \_\_\_\_\_, a charge of \_\_\_\_\_, and a mass equal to that of a(an) \_\_\_\_\_.**

- (a) 0, 1+, proton
- (b) 1, 2+, proton
- (c) 0, 1+, electron
- (d) 1, 2+, electron
- (e) 0, 0, proton

**Q15/Which type of radiation is the least penetrating?**

- (a) alpha
- (b) beta
- (c) gamma
- (d) x-ray
- (e) neutron

**Q16/Which of the following describes what occurs in the fission process?**

- (a) A heavy nucleus is fragmented into lighter ones.
- (b) A neutron is split into a neutron and proton.
- (c) Two light nuclei are combined into a heavier one.
- (d) A proton is split into three quarks.
- (e) A particle and anti-particle appear in an area of high energy density.

**Q17/ Boron rods in a nuclear reactor are used to**

- (a) absorb excess neutrons
- (b) absorb alpha particle
- (c) slow down the reaction
- (d) speed up the reaction

**Q18/ Amount of energy deposited per unit path length is called-----.**

**Q19/ How far will 5MeV alpha particles penetrate in skin, given the density of the skin 1gm/cm<sup>3</sup>.**

**Q20/ Bones appear more clear than soft tissues in the radiographic film?**

**Q21/ The fractional number of photons removed from a beam per cm of absorber is called the \_\_\_\_\_.**

- A. Linear attenuation coefficient
- B. Mass absorption coefficient
- C. Scatter coefficient
- D. Mean attenuation length

**Q22/ The process whereby energy is transferred from a photon beam to electrons in the medium is called \_\_\_\_\_.**

- A. Electron capture
- B. Absorption
- C. Bremsstrahlung
- D. Scatter

**Q23/ A photoelectric interaction occurs between an 8 keV photon and a K shell electron. A 3.6 keV photoelectron is emitted. The binding energy of the K shell is \_\_\_\_\_ keV.**

- A. 3.6
- B. 4.0

- C. 4.4
- D. 8.0
- E. 11.6

**Q24/ The probability, per gram, of a Compton interaction:**

- A. Increases as energy increases.
- B. Is independent of energy.
- C. Is proportional to  $E^2 Z^2$
- D. Is proportional to  $Z^3 E^{-3}$
- E. None of the above.

**Q25/ Which type of nuclear radiation has the shortest range in tissue? (assume equal energy)**

- A. Gamma rays
- B. Betas
- C. Neutrinos
- D. Alphas
- E. Neutrons

**Q26/ Directly ionizing radiation includes all of the following *EXCEPT*:**

- A. Electrons
- B. Positrons
- C. Alpha particles
- D. Neutrons
- E. Betas

**Q27/ What are the three possible occurrences when x or gamma photons in the primary beam pass through matter.**

**Q28/ The Probability of photoelectric Occurrence depends on the following -----, -----, -----, and -----.**

**Q29/ What are the Byproducts of Compton Scatter?**

**Q30/ The Compton process is most important for energy absorption for soft tissues in the range from ----- keV to -----MeV.**

**Q31/ An electron and the positron destroy each other during interaction Known as the ----- reaction.**

**Q32/ In annihilation reaction two gamma photons are released with an energy of ----- MeV.**

**Q33/ Pair production in medical science is used for -----, -----, and -----.**

**Q34/ Pair production probability increases with increasing photon energy**

**True or False**

**Q35/ Pair production probability increases with atomic number approximately as  $Z^3$ .**

**True or False**

**Q36/ The most important parameter used for characterization of x-ray or gamma ray penetration into absorbing media is the -----.**

**Q37/ Linear attenuation coefficient depends upon:**

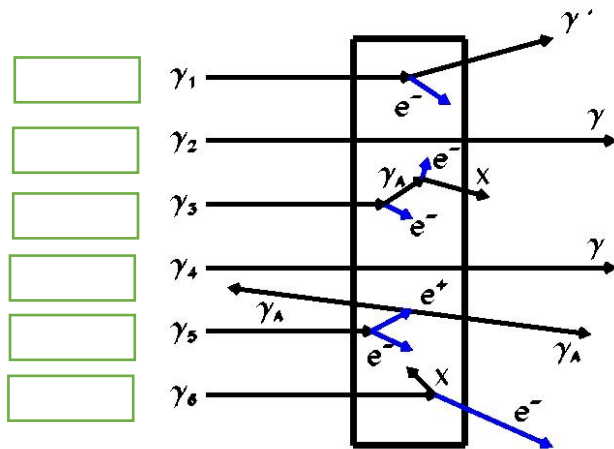
- Energy  $h\nu$  of the photon beam
- Atomic number  $Z$  of the absorber

**True or False**

**Q38/ Linear attenuation coefficient may be described as the -----.**

**Q39/ linear attenuation coefficient,  $\mu$  (units  $m^{-1}$ ), measures probability per unit path length of a photon interaction in an absorber; depends on ----- and -----.**

**Q40/ Point the type of photon interactions with matter in the follow boxes?**



**Q41/** The linear attenuation coefficient for 200 keV x rays in lead is  $1.0 \times 10^3 \text{ m}^{-1}$ . What is the fraction of such photons remaining after penetrating a lead sheet of thickness 2.0 mm?

**Q42/** The attenuation length or mean free path of photon is defined as-----.

**Q43/** High speed neutrons are "thermalized" by inelastic collisions in hydrogenous materials.

**True or False**

**Q44/** The macroscopic cross-section is the probability that a neutron will undergo a reaction per unit path length travelled in the material.

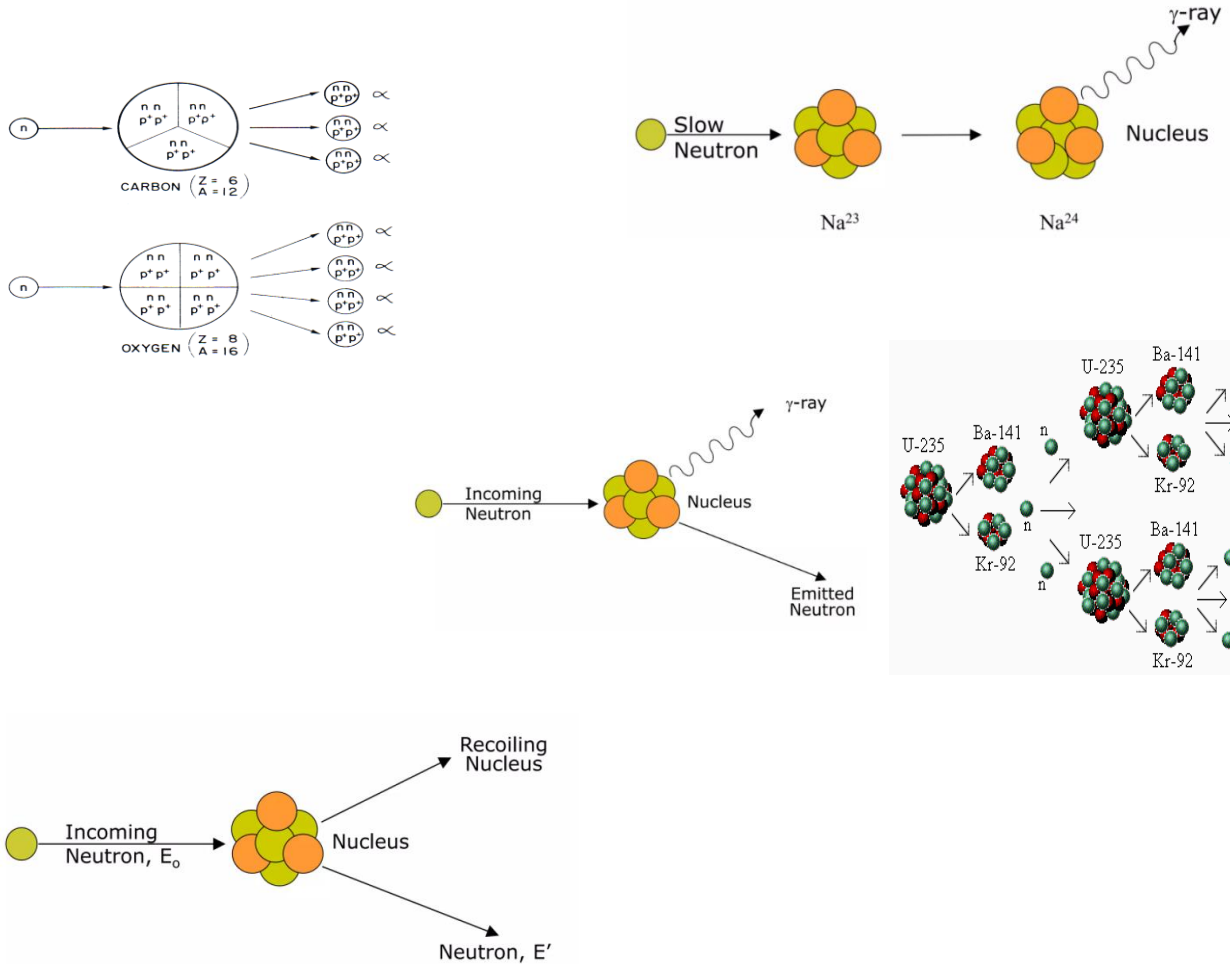
**True or False**

**Q45/** Calculate the half thickness of water for fast neutrons? Note: the macroscopic cross section in this interaction =  $0.103 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

**Q46/** Neutrons lose their energy by *elastic collision* with nuclei of similar mass. In soft tissues interaction of a fast neutron with the hydrogen nuclei (protons) is the dominant process of energy transfer.

**True or False**

**Q47/ Classify the type of neutron interaction with nucleus?**



**Q48/**In neutron fission reaction, a stray neutron strikes an atom of U235. It absorbs the neutron and becomes an unstable atom of U-236. It then undergoes fission. These neutrons can strike other U-235 atoms to initiate their fission.

**True or False**

**Q49/**Neutron are useful in -----, -----, and -----.

**Q50/**Energetic charged particles interact with matter by electrical forces and lose kinetic energy via: -----, -----, and -----.

**Q51/**Specific ionization is defined as -----, and is depend on the -----, -

-----, -----, and -----.

**Q52/**The mass absorption coefficient for Compton scattering is independent of the atomic number ( $Z$ ) of the absorber whereas the mass absorption coefficient for photoelectric effect depends strongly on  $Z$ .

**True or False**

**Q53/ Why is the sky is blue?**

The sky is blue due to phenomenon called Raleigh scattering. This scattering refers to the scattering of electromagnetic radiation by particles of a much smaller wavelength. These shorter wavelengths correspond to blue hues, hence why when we look at the sky, we see it as blue.

**Q54/** The energy of particles of non-ionizing radiation is low, and instead of producing charged ions when passing through matter, non-ionizing electromagnetic radiation has only sufficient energy to change the rotational, vibrational or electronic valence configurations of molecules and atoms. This produces thermal effects.

**True or False**