

Summary

- **Nuclear Reactions**

- Nucleon number conserved
- Charge conserved
- Energy/Momentum conserved
- α particles = ${}^4_2\text{He}$ nuclei
- β^- particles = electrons
- γ particles = high-energy photons

Survival:

$$N(t) = N_0 e^{-\lambda t}$$

$$T_{1/2} = \frac{0.693}{\lambda}$$

- **Decays**

- Half-Life is time for $\frac{1}{2}$ of atoms to decay