

**AP 4010 Introduction to Nuclear Science  
Fall 2004**

**Homework Assignment: Due September 21, 2004**

1. Do any seven of the twelve problems at the end of Chapter 1 in Lilley's *Nuclear Physics*. [Remember: the answers are in Appendix G! ...so show the essential steps of your solution.]
2. What are the wavelengths of 10, 100, and 1000 keV x-rays?
3. Separate the following nuclides into pairs of isotopes, isobars, isotones, or isomers:  
 ${}^3_1\text{H}$ ,  ${}^4_2\text{He}$ ,  ${}^3_2\text{He}$ ,  ${}^{12}_6\text{C}$ ,  ${}^{12}_7\text{N}$ ,  ${}^{14}_6\text{C}$ ,  ${}^{99}_{43}\text{Tc}$ ,  ${}^{99}_{42}\text{Mo}$ ,  ${}^{99m}_{43}\text{Tc}$ ,  ${}^{100}_{44}\text{Ru}$ .
4. Estimate the "mean free path" corresponding to the cross section *per nucleon* of 1 b ( $10^{-28} \text{ m}^2$ ) in liquid hydrogen, air at STP (standard temperature 300 K and pressure, 1 atm), Al, Cu, and Pb.

[Densities: LH = 0.07 g/cm<sup>3</sup>; air = 0.0012 g/cm<sup>3</sup>; Al = 2.7 g/cm<sup>3</sup>; Cu = 8.96 g/cm<sup>3</sup>; Pb = 11.34 g/cm<sup>3</sup>.]

[Atomic Weights: LH = 1.0079; air = 14.4; Al = 29.98; Cu = 63.55; Pb = 207.2.]

5. A beam of protons of 1 MeV energy containing  $10^8$  protons per second falls on a silver foil ( $0.05 \text{ mg cm}^{-2}$ ) thickness and is scattered at 45 deg. Use the Rutherford Scattering formula to estimate the number of protons per second that falls upon a detector  $10 \text{ cm}^2$  in area located 1 m from the foil.