

(4.7) With eqn. (4.17) determine the atomic number corresponding to maximum stability for $A = 10, 27, 59,$ and 239 . Compare these results with the isotope chart, Appendix C.

Use eqn. (4.17) and parameter values from below eqn (4.15) to calculate Z for the given A -values. Neglect odd-even effects:

$$a_a := 23 \quad a_c := 0.72$$

$$A := 10 \quad Z := \frac{2 \cdot A}{4 + \left(\frac{a_c}{a_a}\right) \cdot A^{\frac{2}{3}}} \quad Z = 4.8 \quad {}^{10}\text{B stable (from nuclide chart)}$$

$$A := 27 \quad Z := \frac{2 \cdot A}{4 + \left(\frac{a_c}{a_a}\right) \cdot A^{\frac{2}{3}}} \quad Z = 12.6 \quad {}^{27}\text{Al stable}$$

$$A := 59 \quad Z := \frac{2 \cdot A}{4 + \left(\frac{a_c}{a_a}\right) \cdot A^{\frac{2}{3}}} \quad Z = 26.4 \quad {}^{59}\text{Co stable}$$

$$A := 239 \quad Z := \frac{2 \cdot A}{4 + \left(\frac{a_c}{a_a}\right) \cdot A^{\frac{2}{3}}} \quad Z = 91.8 \quad {}^{239}\text{U unstable, } {}^{239}\text{Np unstable } {}^{239}\text{Pu least unstable}$$