

(10.9) ^{12}C atoms are used to irradiate ^{239}Pu to produce an isotope of berkelium. What is the Coulomb barrier height?

$$A_1 := 12 \quad Z_1 := 6 \quad A_2 := 239 \quad Z_2 := 94$$

$$E_{cbmin} := 1.109 \cdot (A_1 + A_2) \cdot \frac{Z_1 \cdot Z_2}{A_2 \left(A_1^{\frac{1}{3}} + A_2^{\frac{1}{3}} \right)} \quad \text{Eqn. (10.15)}$$

$$E_{cbmin} = 77.323 \quad \text{MeV}$$