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Q 8. Match The Column

**Column-I**

**Column-II**

- (A) Nuclear Fusion (P) Some matter converted into energy  
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**COMPREHENSION (Q 9. To Q 12.)**

A nucleus at rest undergoes a decay emitting an  $\alpha$  particle of de-Broglie wavelength  $\lambda = 5.76 \times 10^{-15}$  m. The mass of the daughter nucleus is 223.40 amu and that of a particle is 4.002 amu.

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- (a) 0.01 MeV (b) 6.22 MeV  
(c) 0.21 MeV (d) 0.31 MeV

Q 11. The kinetic energy of daughter nucleus is—

- (a) 3.16 MeV (b) 4.16 MeV  
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Q 12. The mass of the parent nucleus in amu is—

- (a) 227.418 (b) 207.518  
(c) 227.618 (d) 227.2

## Answer Key

Q.1 c	Q.2 a	Q.3 c	Q.4 d	Q.5 b
Q.6 c	Q.7 d	Q.9 c	Q.10 b	Q.11 d
Q.12 a				

Ans 8. A  $\rightarrow$  P, Q ; B  $\rightarrow$  P, R ; C  $\rightarrow$  P


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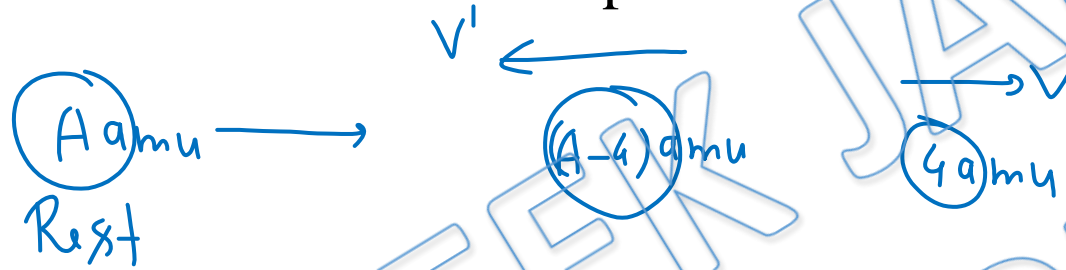
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**DPP – 2 Nuclear Physics : Fusion & Fission Reactions &  
Nuclear Decay**

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by Conservation of momentum

$$0 = 4v - (A-4)v'$$

$$v' = \frac{4v}{A-4}$$

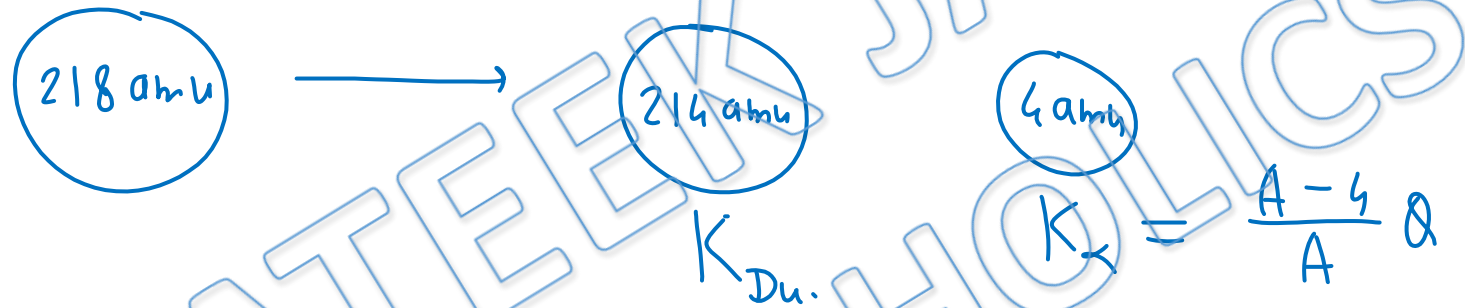
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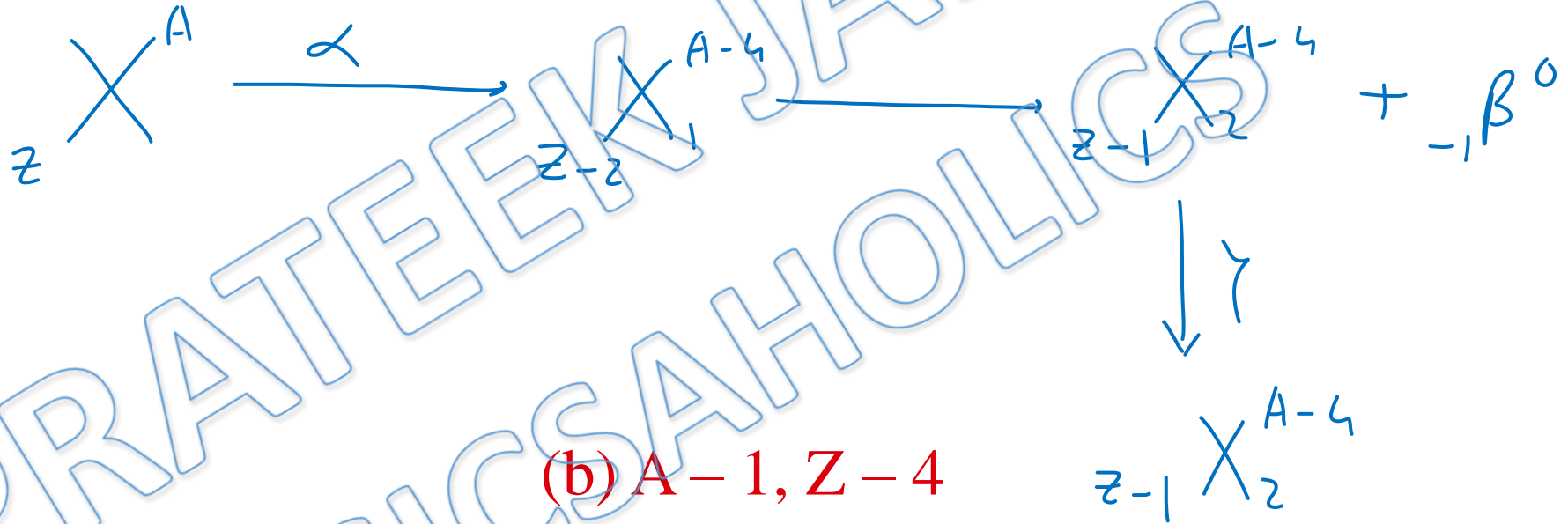
$$K_\alpha = \frac{A-4}{A} Q$$

$$= \frac{214}{218} Q = 6.7 \text{ MeV}$$

$$Q = \frac{6.7 \times 218}{214} \text{ MeV}$$

$$K_{Du} = \frac{4}{A} Q = \frac{4}{218} \times \frac{6.7 \times 218}{214} \text{ MeV}$$

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Q8)

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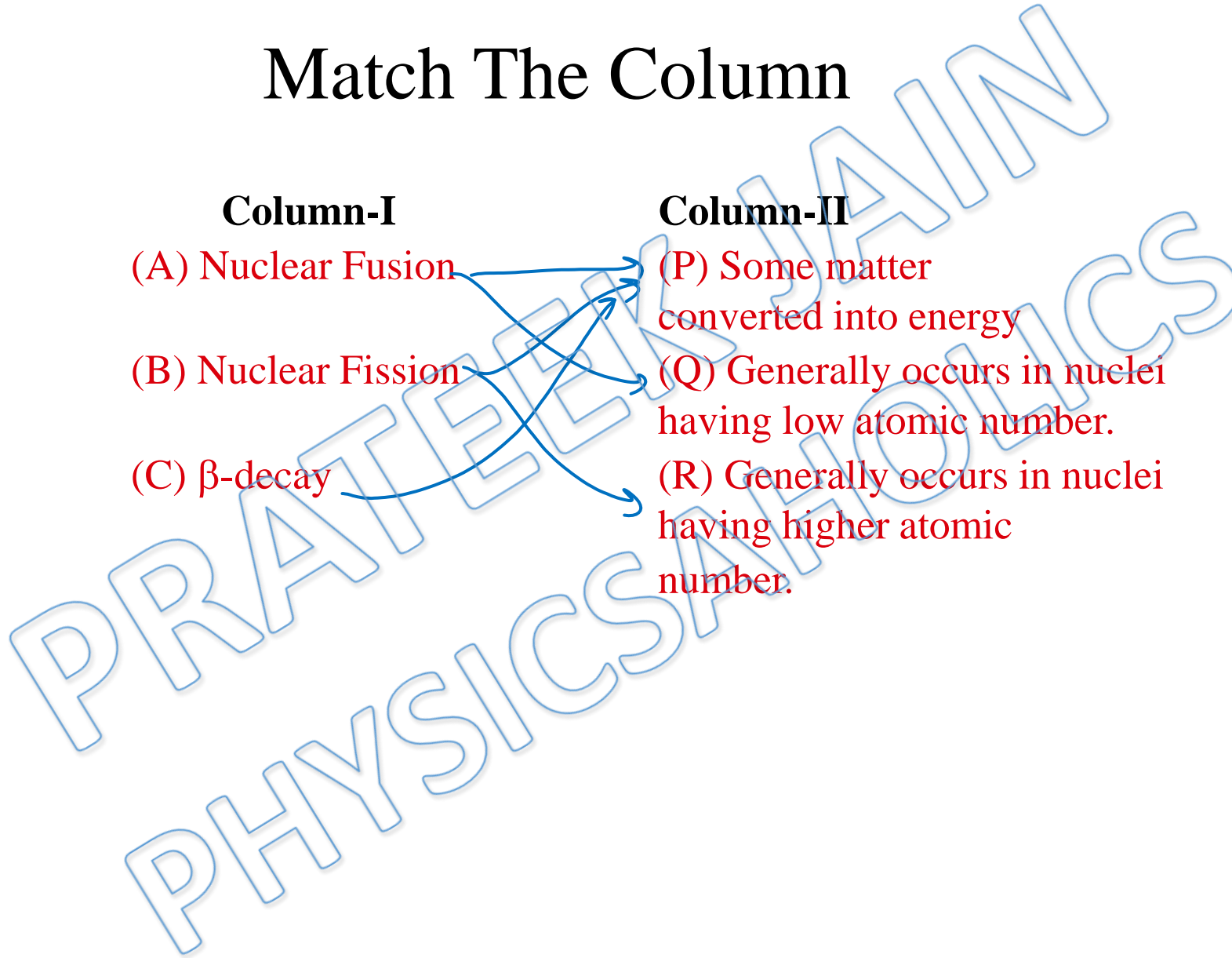
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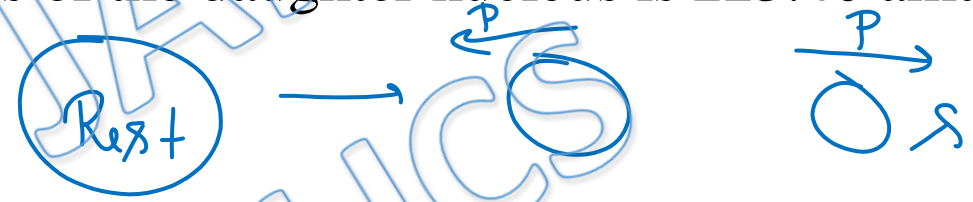
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$$p = \frac{h}{\lambda_{\alpha}} = \frac{6.6 \times 10^{-34}}{5.76 \times 10^{-15}} = 1.15 \times 10^{-19}$$

Q10) The kinetic energy of  $\alpha$  particle is—

$$K_{\alpha} = \frac{p^2}{2m_{\alpha}} = \frac{(115 \times 10^{-19})^2}{2 \times 4 \times 1.67 \times 10^{-27}} \text{ J}$$
$$= \frac{115 \times 10^{-38} \times 115}{8 \times 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-13}} = \frac{115 \times 115}{12.8 \times 1.67} \times 100 \text{ MeV}$$
$$= \frac{115 \times 1.15}{12.8 \times 1.68} \text{ MeV}$$

(a) 0.01 MeV

(b) 6.22 MeV

(c) 0.21 MeV

(d) 0.31 MeV

Q11) The kinetic energy of daughter nucleus is—

$$K_{\alpha} = \frac{p^2}{2m_{\alpha}} = 6.22 \text{ MeV}$$

$$K_{Da} = \frac{p^2}{2m_D} = \frac{p^2}{2m_{\alpha}} \times \frac{m_{\alpha}}{m_D} = 6.22 \times \frac{4}{223.4} = \frac{6.22}{54.8} \text{ MeV} = 0.11 \text{ MeV}$$

(a) 3.16 MeV

(b) 4.16 MeV

(c) 5.16 MeV

(d) 0.11 MeV

Q12) The mass of the parent nucleus in amu is—

$$\text{total KE} = (6.22 + .11) \text{ MeV} = 6.33 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\text{loss in mass} = \frac{6.33}{931} \text{ amu}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 6.330 \\ - 5.586 \\ \hline 0.744 \\ \phantom{0.}40 \\ \hline 0.7440 \\ \phantom{0.}7448 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mass of parent} &= 223.4 + 4.002 + \frac{6.33}{931} \times \frac{1}{100} \\ &= 227.402 + .0068 \\ &= \underline{227.4088} \end{aligned}$$



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