RDCH 702 Quiz 2 Assigned 10 October 12, Due 17 October 12 Name:\_\_\_\_\_

<u>Quiz Topics: Speciation, Kinetics, Thermodynamics; Nuclear Reactions</u> Use the lecture notes, chart of the nuclides, table of the isotopes, and web links to answer the following questions.

1. (30 Points) Consider the complexation of  $Pu^{4+}$  with a monoprotic ligand (LH). The reaction is:

 $Pu^{4+}+L^{-} \leftrightarrow PuL^{3+}$ 

You measure the Pu and ligand speciation as a function of temperature at equilibrium. The equilibrium data are below:

Table 1. Concentration of Pu and ligands species as a function of temperature (K)

| Т (К) | [PuL] M  | [L <sup>-</sup> ] <sub>f</sub> M | [Pu <sup>4+</sup> ] <sub>f</sub> M |
|-------|----------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 298   | 9.74E-07 | 5.26E-07                         | 2.64E-08                           |
| 298   | 9.54E-07 | 2.96E-07                         | 4.59E-08                           |
| 298   | 8.88E-07 | 1.12E-07                         | 1.12E-07                           |
| 283   | 9.28E-07 | 7.24E-08                         | 7.24E-08                           |
| 325   | 7.82E-07 | 2.18E-07                         | 2.18E-07                           |
| 335   | 7.32E-07 | 2.68E-07                         | 2.68E-07                           |
| 345   | 6.77E-07 | 3.23E-07                         | 3.23E-07                           |
| 355   | 6.19E-07 | 3.81E-07                         | 3.81E-07                           |
| 365   | 5.57E-07 | 4.43E-07                         | 4.43E-07                           |

Please provide the following. Ignore activities for this question.

- a.  $\Delta G_{298}$
- b. The equilibrium constant at 298 K
- c.  $\Delta H$  over the experimental range
- d.  $\Delta S$  over the experimental range
- e. Using the complexation constant calculate the speciation of Pu at 298 K for 1 mM ligand and 1 M Pu.

- 2. (15 Points) Using CHESS, provide speciation data for the following conditions. You should show the graphs of % species against the condition. Discuss the speciation of U and Pu as a function of concentration and Eh for the 5 conditions below. Provide dominant species for each evaluated condition.
  - a. 1E-6 M/L  $Pu^{4+}$  from pH 2 to pH 12
  - b.  $1E-6 \text{ M/L UO}_2^{2+}$  from pH 2 to pH 12
  - c. 1E-3 M/L  $UO_2^{2+}$  from pH 2 to pH 12 at 200 mV Eh
  - d. 1 mmol/L  $Pu^4$ + from 200 mV to 1250 mV Eh at pH 2

- 3. (15 Points) Determine the number of atoms and activity of  ${}^{88}$ Rb produced from the exposure of 1 g of Rb metal to a neutron flux of  $10^{14}$  n/cm<sup>2</sup>/sec
  - a. 300 seconds
  - b. 1 hour

- 4. (10 Points) Find the Q value, threshold energy, and Coulomb barrier for the following. You can use <a href="http://www.nndc.bnl.gov/qcalc/">http://www.nndc.bnl.gov/qcalc/</a> for the Q value.
  - a. The reaction of <sup>59</sup>Co and an alpha particle that produces a neutron and the product nuclei
  - b. The reaction of a proton and <sup>209</sup>Bi to produce <sup>206</sup>Pb

5. (10 Points) Set up the equations to describe the speciation of uranyl, uranyl monocarbonate, and the uranyl dicarbonate using the complexation constants. This equation should show the total uranyl concentration as a function of free uranyl, free carbonate, and the complexation constants.

6. (10 Points) Describe the s-process in nucleosynthesis. What isotope range is produced through this process?

- 7. (10 Points) Identify which isotopes from the list below would be produced during the r-process
  - a. <sup>100</sup>Ru
  - b. <sup>100</sup>Mo
  - c. <sup>124</sup>Te
  - d. <sup>130</sup>Te
  - e. <sup>128</sup>Te
  - f. <sup>112</sup>Sn
  - g. <sup>115</sup>Sn
  - h. <sup>122</sup>Sn
  - i. <sup>124</sup>Sn
  - j. <sup>209</sup>Bi
  - k. <sup>238</sup>U
  - l. <sup>244</sup>Pu