

Solve the problem.

- 1) In a chemical reaction, the rate at which the amount of a reactant changes with time is proportional to the amount present, such that $\frac{dy}{dt} = -0.7y$, when t is measured in hours. If there are 61 g of reactant present when $t = 0$, how many grams will be left after 2 hours? Give your answer to the nearest tenth of a gram. 1) _____
- 2) Find the half-life of the radioactive element radium, assuming that its decay constant is $k = 4.332 \times 10^{-4}$, with time measured in years. 2) _____
- 3) The amount of alcohol in the bloodstream, A , declines at a rate proportional to the amount, that is, $\frac{dA}{dt} = -kA$. If $k = 0.3$ for a particular person, how long will it take for his alcohol concentration to decrease from 0.10% to 0.05%? Give your answer to the nearest tenth of an hour. 3) _____

Answers:

- 1) 15 g
2) 1600 years
3) 2.3 hr