

1. (a) The mass of a single atom of  $^{235}\text{U}$  is  $(235 \text{ u})(1.661 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg/u}) = 3.90 \times 10^{-25} \text{ kg}$ , so the number of atoms in 1.0 kg is  $(1.0 \text{ kg})/(3.90 \times 10^{-25} \text{ kg}) = 2.56 \times 10^{24}$ . An alternate approach (but essentially the same once the connection between the “u” unit and  $N_A$  is made) would be to adapt Eq. 43-20.
- (b) The energy released by  $N$  fission events is given by  $E = NQ$ , where  $Q$  is the energy released in each event. For 1.0 kg of  $^{235}\text{U}$ ,  $E = (2.56 \times 10^{24})(200 \times 10^6 \text{ eV})(1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J/eV}) = 8.19 \times 10^{13} \text{ J}$ .
- (c) If  $P$  is the power requirement of the lamp, then  $t = E/P = (8.19 \times 10^{13} \text{ J})/(100 \text{ W}) = 8.19 \times 10^{11} \text{ s} = 2.6 \times 10^4 \text{ y}$ . The conversion factor  $3.156 \times 10^7 \text{ s/y}$  is used to obtain the last result.