

#26.) continued

Either way, you get

a.) $p = 9.38 \text{ MeV}/c$
b.) $p = 540 \text{ MeV}/c$
c.) $p = 1930 \text{ MeV}/c$

#28.) Consider the relativistic form of Newton's second law. Show that when \vec{F} is parallel to \vec{v}

$$F = m \left(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}\right)^{-3/2} \frac{dv}{dt}$$

where m is the mass of an object and v is its speed

The relativistic form of Newton's second law is (eq. 1.36)

$$\vec{F} = \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \left[\frac{m\vec{v}}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}} \right]$$

Using the chain rule, (Assuming $\vec{F} \parallel \vec{v}$)

$$\frac{d}{dt} = \frac{dv}{dt} \frac{d}{dv}$$

$$\therefore F = \frac{d}{dv} \left[\frac{mv}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}} \right] \frac{dv}{dt}$$

$$= \left[\frac{m}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}} + \frac{mv}{\left(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}\right)^{3/2}} \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \left(-\frac{2v}{c^2}\right) \right] \frac{dv}{dt}$$

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a) So $F = qE = \frac{dp}{dt}$.

Relativistically, though, $p = \frac{mv}{\sqrt{1-v^2/c^2}}$. from $\frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{v^2}{c^2}\right) = \frac{2v}{c^2} \frac{dv}{dt}$

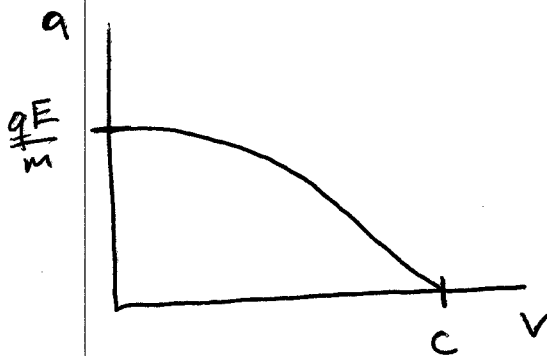
$$\text{So } qE = m \left[\frac{dv}{dt} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-v^2/c^2}} + \frac{mv}{(1-v^2/c^2)^{3/2}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{2v}{c^2} \right) \frac{dv}{dt} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow qE = m \left[\frac{dv}{dt} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-v^2/c^2}} + \frac{v^2/c^2}{(1-v^2/c^2)^{3/2}} \frac{dv}{dt} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow qE = m \frac{dv}{dt} (1-v^2/c^2)^{-3/2}$$

$$\text{So } \boxed{a = \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{qE}{m} (1-v^2/c^2)^{3/2}}$$

b) Let's graph this:



So as $v \rightarrow c$, $a \rightarrow 0$. Can't accelerate past $v=c$!

$$c) \quad \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{qE}{m} (1 - v^2/c^2)^{3/2}$$

$$\text{So } \frac{dv}{(1 - v^2/c^2)^{3/2}} = \frac{qE}{m} dt$$

$$\text{Integrate both sides: } \int_0^v \frac{dv'}{(1 - v'^2/c^2)^{3/2}} = \int_0^t \frac{qE}{m} dt'$$

$$\int \frac{dv}{(1 - v^2/c^2)^{3/2}} = \frac{v}{(1 - v^2/c^2)^{1/2}}$$

(look in table or do it)

$$\text{So } \frac{v}{(1 - v^2/c^2)^{1/2}} = \frac{qE}{m} t$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{v^2}{1 - v^2/c^2} = \left(\frac{qE}{m}\right)^2 t^2 \Rightarrow$$

$$v = \frac{qE}{m} \left[\frac{t}{\left(1 + \left(\frac{qEt}{mc}\right)^2\right)^{1/2}} \right]$$

Note: As $t \rightarrow \infty$, $v \rightarrow c$, which is easy to see from

rewriting $v = \frac{qEct}{\sqrt{(mc)^2 + (qEt)^2}}$. Nice!

Using $v = \frac{dx}{dt}$, integrate again:

$$\int_0^x dx' = \int_0^t \frac{qE}{m} \left(\frac{t'}{\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{qEt'}{mc}\right)^2}} \right) dt'$$

Writing (for the RHS) $u = 1 + \left(\frac{qEt'}{mc}\right)^2$, we see

$$du = 2t' \left(\frac{qE}{mc}\right)^2 dt'$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } \int \frac{qE}{m} \left(\frac{t' dt'}{\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{qEt'}{mc}\right)^2}} \right) &= \int \frac{qE}{m} du \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{mc}{qE}\right)^2 u^{-1/2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} c^2 \left(\frac{m}{qE}\right) \cdot 2u^{1/2} \Big|_{u=1}^{u=1 + \left(\frac{qEt'}{mc}\right)^2} \\ &= c^2 \left(\frac{m}{qE}\right) \left[\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{qEt'}{mc}\right)^2} - 1 \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } x = \frac{c}{qE} \left[\sqrt{(mc)^2 + (qEt')^2} - mc \right]$$

As $t \rightarrow \infty$, $x \rightarrow ct$. As expected for something moving with speed c !

$$37 \quad KE = \gamma mc^2 - mc^2$$

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (.75)^2}} = 1.51$$

$$m_{\text{electron}} = .511 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\text{So } KE = (0.51)(.511 \text{ MeV}) = 260 \text{ keV}$$

$$\text{Now, } KE_{\text{proton}} = 260 \text{ keV} \text{ and } m_{\text{proton}} = 938 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\text{So } (\gamma - 1)(938 \text{ MeV}) = 260 \text{ keV}$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma - 1 = \frac{.260}{938}$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma = 1.000277$$

$$\text{This is slow! Use } \gamma \approx 1 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{v^2}{c^2} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \frac{v^2}{c^2} = 2.77 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{v = 0.0235c}$$

↑
that's 0.0235c

$$b \quad \text{Now } p_{\text{electron}} = \gamma m v$$

$$= (1.51) \left(\frac{.511 \text{ MeV}}{c^2} \right) (.75c) = 0.579 \frac{\text{MeV}}{c}$$

$$\text{So } p_{\text{proton}} = 0.579 \frac{\text{MeV}}{c}$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma v \left(\frac{938 \text{ MeV}}{c^2} \right) = 0.579 \frac{\text{MeV}}{c}$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma v = (6.17 \times 10^{-4}) c$$

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}} \Rightarrow \frac{v}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}} = (6.17 \times 10^{-4}) c$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{v^2}{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}} = ((6.17 \times 10^{-4}) c)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{v^2}{c^2} \right) \left(1 + (6.17 \times 10^{-4})^2 \right) = (6.17 \times 10^{-4})^2$$

$$\Rightarrow v = \frac{6.17 \times 10^{-4}}{\sqrt{1 + (6.17 \times 10^{-4})^2}} c$$

$$v = 6.17 \times 10^{-4} c$$

#38.) continued

b.) What is their kinetic energy in MeV?

$$K = E - mc^2 \\ = 399 mc^2$$

$$K = 3.74 \times 10^5 \text{ MeV}$$

#39.) How long will the Sun shine, Nellie? The Sun radiates about $4.0 \times 10^{26} \text{ J}$ of energy into space each second. (Who is Nellie? Am I Nellie?)

a.) How much mass is released as radiation each second?

Just use

$$E = mc^2$$

$$\Rightarrow m = \frac{E}{c^2} = 4.4 \times 10^9 \text{ kg}$$

b.) If the mass of the sun is $2.0 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg}$, how long can the sun survive if the energy release continues at the present rate?

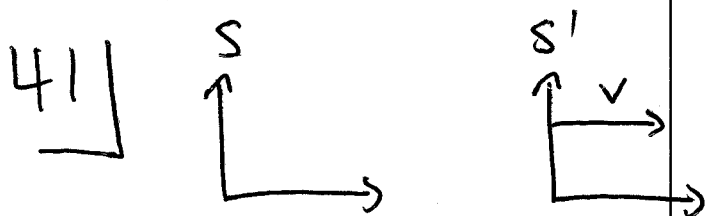
From part a.), the sun loses mass at the rate

$$\frac{\Delta m}{\Delta t} = \frac{4.4 \times 10^9 \text{ kg}}{1 \text{ sec}}$$

$$\Rightarrow (2.0 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg}) \left(\frac{1 \text{ sec}}{4.4 \times 10^9 \text{ kg}} \right) = 454 \times 10^{18} \text{ sec}$$

$$\therefore \Delta t = 1.4 \times 10^{13} \text{ yrs.}$$

Smoke 'em if you got 'em



So $p' = \frac{mu'}{\sqrt{1-u'^2/c^2}}$, $E' = \frac{mc^2}{\sqrt{1-u'^2/c^2}}$

$$u' = \frac{u-v}{1-\frac{uv}{c^2}}$$

Thus ~~the~~ $1 - u'^2/c^2 = 1 - \frac{1}{c^2} \left(\frac{u-v}{1-\frac{uv}{c^2}} \right)^2 = 1 - \frac{(u-v)^2}{c^2(1-\frac{uv}{c^2})^2}$

$$\Rightarrow p' = m \left[\frac{u-v}{1-\frac{uv}{c^2}} \right] \left[1 - \frac{(u-v)^2}{c^2(1-\frac{uv}{c^2})^2} \right]^{-1/2}$$

Nasty!

and $E' = mc^2 \left[1 - \frac{(u-v)^2}{c^2(1-\frac{uv}{c^2})^2} \right]^{-1/2}$

(So $p' \neq p$, $E' \neq E$).

b) Lots of algebra, but it works. I'm not gonna do it here.

$$45] \quad n \rightarrow p + e^- + \bar{\nu}$$

$$\text{Total initial energy } E_i = m_n c^2 = 939.6 \text{ MeV.}$$

$$\text{Total final energy } E_f = m_p c^2 + m_e c^2 + m_{\bar{\nu}} c^2 + K$$

$$m_p c^2 = 938.3 \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_e c^2 = 0.511 \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_{\bar{\nu}} c^2 = 0$$

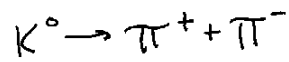
$$\text{So } E_f = (938.3 + 0.511 + (0.781 \pm 0.005)) \text{ MeV}$$

$$= 939.592 \pm 0.005 \text{ MeV}$$

939.6 MeV is in this range, so it's consistent.

DAMN!

#47.) The K^0 meson is an uncharged member of the particle "zoo" that decays into two charged pions according to



The pions have opposite charges as indicated and have the same mass, $m_\pi = 140 \text{ MeV}/c^2$. Suppose that a K^0 at rest decays into two pions in a bubble chamber in which a magnetic field of 20 T is present. If the radius of curvature of the pions is 34.4 cm find

a.) the momenta and speeds of the pions

We can use #31.) from the last homework set

$$p = 300 \text{ BR}$$

plug in values to get

$$p = 206 \text{ MeV}/c$$

Since the K^0 's momentum is zero, the pions' momenta must be equal and opposite in direction

$$p_{\pi^+} = -p_{\pi^-}$$

Note that

$$p = \gamma m u$$

$$E = \gamma m c^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{p}{E} = \frac{u}{c^2}$$

$$\therefore u = \frac{p c^2}{E} = \frac{(206 \text{ MeV}/c) c^2}{p c / \sqrt{p^2 c^2 + m^2 c^4}} = 0.827 c$$

#47.) continued

b.) the mass of the K^0 meson

Conservation of mass-Energy tells us

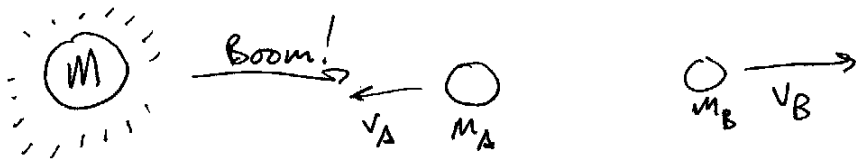
$$E_{K^0} = E_{\pi^+} + E_{\pi^-} = 2E$$

$$E_{K^0} = m_{K^0} c^2$$

$$2E = 2\sqrt{p_{\pi}^2 c^2 + m_{\pi}^2 c^4} = 498 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{m_{K^0} = 498 \text{ MeV}/c^2}$$

48.) An unstable particle having a mass of $3.34 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ is initially at rest. The particle decays into two fragments that fly off with velocities of $0.987c$ and $-0.868c$. Find the rest masses of the fragments



Conserve mass energy

$$Mc^2 = \gamma_A m_A c^2 + \gamma_B m_B c^2 \quad (3)$$

$$\gamma_A = 6.22$$

$$\gamma_B = 2.01$$

Conserve momentum

$$\gamma_A m_A v_A = \gamma_B m_B v_B$$

$$\Rightarrow m_A = \frac{\gamma_B m_B v_B}{\gamma_A} = 0.284 m_B$$

48.) continued

Substitute into (3) + plug in values

$$3.34 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg} = (6.22)(284) m_A + 2.01 m_A$$

$$\therefore m_A = 8.84 \times 10^{-28} \text{ kg}$$

$$m_B = 0.284 m_A = 2.51 \times 10^{-28} \text{ kg}$$

#52.) If astronauts could travel at $v=0.95c$, we on Earth would say it takes $(4.2/0.95) = 4.4$ years to reach Alpha Centauri, 4.2 lightyears away.

The astronauts disagree.

a.) How much time passes on the astronaut's clocks?

A time dilation problem. Recall

$$\Delta t' = \gamma \Delta t \quad (\Delta t \text{ proper time})$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta t = \frac{\Delta t'}{\gamma} = 1.37 \text{ years}$$

b.) What distance to Alpha Centauri do the astronauts measure?

A Lorentz contraction problem. Recall

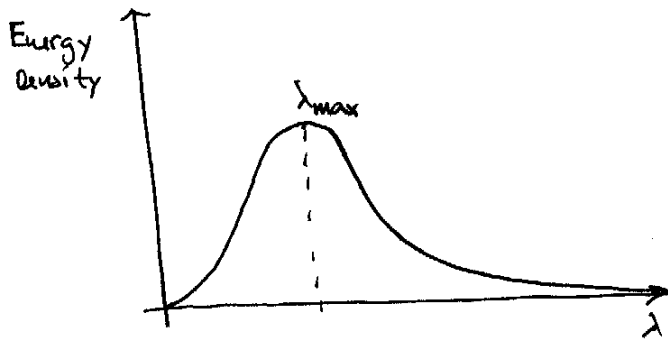
$$\Delta x' = \gamma \Delta x$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta x = \frac{\Delta x'}{\gamma} = 1.31 \text{ lightyears}$$

Physics 2D Homework Ch.2

#2) The temperature of your skin is approximately 35°C . What is the wavelength at which the peak occurs in the radiation emitted from your skin?

Assume your skin emits like a black body (it doesn't, but we're going to anyway). So its radiation spectrum looks like



We're looking λ_{max} . Use Wien's displacement law (you kind of have to hunt for it)

$$\lambda_{\text{max}} T = 2.898 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}\cdot\text{K} \quad \text{eq. 2.6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_{\text{max}} = \frac{2.898 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}\cdot\text{K}}{T}$$

make sure T is in Kelvin!

$$T = 35^{\circ}\text{C} = 308 \text{ K}$$

$$\therefore \lambda_{\text{max}} = 9410 \text{ nm}$$

$$\underline{4} \quad \underline{a} \quad e_{\text{TOTAL}} = \sigma T^4$$
$$= 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}^2 \text{K}^4} (3000 \text{K})^4$$

$$= \boxed{4.6 \times 10^6 \text{ W/m}^2}$$

$$\underline{b} \quad \text{So } 75 \text{ W} = (4.6 \times 10^6 \text{ W/m}^2) \cdot \text{Area}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Area} = \boxed{1.63 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2} = 16.3 \text{ mm}^2.$$