

- 2-2 (a) Scalar equations can be considered in this case because relativistic and classical velocities are in the same direction.

$$p = \gamma mv = 1.90mv = \frac{mv}{\left[1 - (v/c)^2\right]^{1/2}} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\left[1 - (v/c)^2\right]^{1/2}} = 1.90 \Rightarrow v = \left[1 - \left(\frac{1}{1.90}\right)^2\right]^{1/2} c \\ = 0.85c$$

- (b) No change, because the masses cancel each other.

- 2-9 (a) When  $K = (\gamma - 1)mc^2 = 5mc^2$ ,  $\gamma = 6$  and  $E = \gamma mc^2 = 6(0.5110 \text{ MeV}) = 3.07 \text{ MeV}$ .

$$(b) \frac{1}{\gamma} = \left[1 - \left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2\right]^{1/2} \text{ and } v = c \left[1 - \left(\frac{1}{\gamma}\right)^2\right]^{1/2} = c \left[1 - \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^2\right]^{1/2} = 0.986c$$

- 2-12 (a) When  $K_e = K_p$ ,  $m_e c^2 (\gamma_e - 1) = m_p c^2 (\gamma_p - 1)$ . In this case  $m_e c^2 = 0.5110 \text{ MeV}$  and  $m_p c^2 = 938 \text{ MeV}$ ,  $\gamma_e = \left[1 - (0.75)^2\right]^{1/2} = 1.5119$ . Substituting these values into the first equation, we find  $\gamma_p = 1 + \frac{m_e c^2 (\gamma - 1)}{m_p c^2} = 1 + \frac{(0.5110)(1.5119 - 1)}{939} = 1.000279$ .

But  $\gamma_p = \frac{1}{\left[1 - (u_p/c)^2\right]^{1/2}}$ ; therefore  $u_p = c \left(1 - \gamma_p^{-2}\right)^{1/2} = 0.0236c$ .

- (b) When  $p_e = p_p$ ,  $\gamma_p m_p u_p = \gamma_e m_e u_e$  or  $u_p = \left(\frac{\gamma_e}{\gamma_p}\right) \left(\frac{m_e}{m_p}\right) u_e$ ,

$$u_p = \left(\frac{1.5119}{1.000279}\right) \left[\frac{0.5110/c^2}{939/c^2}\right] (0.75c) = 6.17 \times 10^{-4}c$$

- 2-13 (a)  $E = 400mc^2 = \gamma mc^2$   
 $\gamma = \left(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}\right)^{-1/2} = 400$   
 $\left(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{400}\right)^2$   
 $\frac{v}{c} = \left[1 - \frac{1}{400^2}\right]^{1/2}$   
 $v = 0.999997c$

- (b)  $K = E - mc^2 = (400 - 1)mc^2 = 399mc^2 = (399)(938.3 \text{ MeV}) = 3.744 \times 10^5 \text{ MeV}$

- 2-15 (a)  $K = \gamma mc^2 - mc^2 = Vq$  and so,  $\gamma^2 = \left(1 + \frac{Vq}{mc^2}\right)^2$  and  $\frac{v}{c} = \left\{1 - \left(1 + \frac{Vq}{mc^2}\right)^{-2}\right\}^{1/2}$

$$\frac{v}{c} = \left\{ 1 - \frac{1}{1 + (5.0 \times 10^4 \text{ eV}/0.511 \text{ MeV})^2} \right\}^{1/2} = 0.4127$$

or  $v = 0.413c$ .

$$(b) \quad K = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = Vq$$

$$v = \left( \frac{2Vq}{m} \right)^{1/2} = \left\{ \frac{2(5.0 \times 10^4 \text{ eV})}{0.511 \text{ MeV}/c^2} \right\}^{1/2} = 0.442c$$

(c) The error in using the classical expression is approximately  $\frac{3}{40} \times 100\%$  or about 7.5%

$$2-19 \quad \Delta m = 6m_p + 6m_n - m_C = [6(1.007276) + 6(1.008665) - 12] \text{ u} = 0.095646 \text{ u},$$

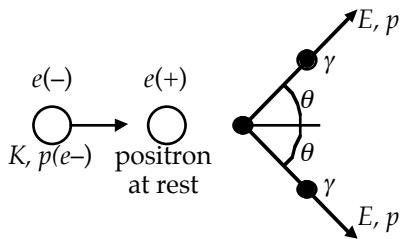
$$\Delta E = (931.49 \text{ MeV/u})(0.095646 \text{ u}) = 89.09 \text{ MeV}.$$

Therefore the energy per nucleon  $= \frac{89.09 \text{ MeV}}{12} = 7.42 \text{ MeV}$ .

$$2-20 \quad \Delta m = m - m_p - m_e = 1.008665 \text{ u} - 1.007276 \text{ u} - 0.0005485 \text{ u} = 8.404 \times 10^{-4} \text{ u}$$

$$E = c^2(8.404 \times 10^{-4} \text{ u}) = (8.404 \times 10^{-4} \text{ u})(931.5 \text{ MeV/u}) = 0.783 \text{ MeV}.$$

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Conservation of mass-energy requires  $K + 2mc^2 = 2E$  where  $K$  is the electron's kinetic energy,  $m$  is the electron's mass, and  $E$  is the gamma ray's energy.

$$E = \frac{K}{2} + mc^2 = (0.500 + 0.511) \text{ MeV} = 1.011 \text{ MeV}.$$

Conservation of momentum requires that  $p_{e^-} = 2p \cos \theta$  where  $p_{e^-}$  is the initial momentum of the electron and  $p$  is the gamma ray's momentum,  $\frac{E}{c} = 1.011 \text{ MeV}/c$ . Using  $E_{e^-}^2 = p_{e^-}^2 c^2 + (mc^2)^2$  where  $E_{e^-}$  is the electron's total energy,  $E_{e^-} = K + mc^2$ , yields

$$p_{e^-} = \frac{1}{c} \sqrt{K^2 + 2Kmc^2} = \frac{\sqrt{(1.00)^2 + 2(1.00)(0.511)} \text{ MeV}}{c} = 1.422 \text{ MeV}/c.$$

Finally,  $\cos \theta = \frac{p_{e^-}}{2p} = 0.703$ ;  $\theta = 45.3^\circ$ .

2-23 In this problem,  $M$  is the mass of the initial particle,  $m_l$  is the mass of the lighter fragment,  $v_l$  is the speed of the lighter fragment,  $m_h$  is the mass of the heavier fragment, and  $v_h$  is the speed of the heavier fragment. Conservation of mass-energy leads to

$$Mc^2 = \frac{m_l c^2}{\sqrt{1 - v_l^2/c^2}} + \frac{m_h c^2}{\sqrt{1 - v_h^2/c^2}}$$

From the conservation of momentum one obtains

$$(m_l)(0.987c)(6.22) = (m_h)(0.868c)(2.01)$$

$$m_l = \frac{(m_h)(0.868c)(2.01)}{(0.987)(6.22)} = 0.284m_h$$

Substituting in this value and numerical quantities in the mass-energy conservation equation, one obtains  $3.34 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg} = 6.22m_l + 2.01m_h$  which in turn gives  $3.34 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg} = (6.22)(0.284)m_l + 2.01m_h$  or  $m_h = \frac{3.34 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}}{3.78} = 8.84 \times 10^{-28} \text{ kg}$  and  $m_l = (0.284)m_h = 2.51 \times 10^{-28} \text{ kg}$ .

2-26 Energy conservation:  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - 0^2}} 1400 \text{ kg}c^2 + \frac{900 \text{ kg}c^2}{\sqrt{1 - 0.85^2}} = \frac{Mc^2}{\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}}$ ;

$3108 \text{ kg} \sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}} = M$ . Momentum conservation:  $0 + \frac{900 \text{ kg}(0.85c)}{\sqrt{1 - 0.85^2}} = \frac{Mv}{\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}}$ ;

$1452 \text{ kg} \sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}} = \frac{Mv}{c}$ .

(a) Dividing gives  $\frac{v}{c} = \frac{1452}{3108} = 0.467$   $v = 0.467c$ .

(b) Now by substitution  $3108 \text{ kg} \sqrt{1 - 0.467^2} = M = 2.75 \times 10^3 \text{ kg}$ .

2-31 Conservation of momentum  $\gamma mu$ :

$$\frac{mu}{\sqrt{1 - u^2/c^2}} + \frac{m(-u)}{3\sqrt{1 - u^2/c^2}} = \frac{Mv_f}{\sqrt{1 - v_f^2/c^2}} = \frac{2mu}{3\sqrt{1 - u^2/c^2}}$$

Conservation of energy  $\gamma mc^2$ :

$$\frac{mc^2}{\sqrt{1-u^2/c^2}} + \frac{mc^2}{3\sqrt{1-u^2/c^2}} = \frac{Mc^2}{\sqrt{1-v_f^2/c^2}} = \frac{4mc^2}{3\sqrt{1-u^2/c^2}}.$$

To start solving we can divide:  $v_f = \frac{2u}{4} = \frac{u}{2}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{M}{\sqrt{1-u^2/4c^2}} &= \frac{4m}{3\sqrt{1-u^2/c^2}} = \frac{M}{(1/2)\sqrt{4-u^2/c^2}} \\ M &= \frac{2m\sqrt{4-u^2/c^2}}{3\sqrt{1-u^2/c^2}}\end{aligned}$$

Note that when  $v \ll c$ , this reduces to  $M = \frac{4m}{3}$ , in agreement with the classical result.

2-33 The energy that arrives in one year is

$$E = \mathcal{P} \Delta t = (1.79 \times 10^{17} \text{ J/s})(3.16 \times 10^7 \text{ s}) = 5.66 \times 10^{24} \text{ J}.$$

$$\text{Thus, } m = \frac{E}{c^2} = \frac{5.66 \times 10^{24} \text{ J}}{(3.00 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})^2} = 6.28 \times 10^7 \text{ kg}.$$