

- 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.

2-7  $E = \gamma mc^2, p = \gamma mu; E^2 = (\gamma mc^2)^2; p^2 = (\gamma mu)^2;$

$$\begin{aligned} E^2 - p^2 c^2 &= (\gamma mc^2)^2 - (\gamma mu)^2 c^2 = \gamma^2 \left\{ (mc^2)^2 - (mc)^2 u^2 \right\} \\ &= (mc^2)^2 \left( 1 - \frac{u^2}{c^2} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{u^2}{c^2} \right)^{-1} = (mc^2)^2 \text{ Q.E.D.} \\ E^2 &= p^2 c^2 + (mc^2)^2 \end{aligned}$$

- 2-8 (a)  $E_R = mc^2 = (1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg})(3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})^2 = 1.503 \times 10^{-10} \text{ J} = 939.4 \text{ MeV}$  (Numerical round off gives a slightly larger value for the proton mass)

(b)  $E = \gamma mc^2 = \frac{1.503 \times 10^{-10} \text{ J}}{\left(1 - (0.95c/c)^2\right)^{1/2}} = 4.813 \times 10^{-10} \text{ J} \approx 3.01 \times 10^3 \text{ MeV}$

(c)  $K = E - mc^2 = 4.813 \times 10^{-10} \text{ J} - 1.503 \times 10^{-10} \text{ J} = 3.31 \times 10^{-10} \text{ J} = 2.07 \times 10^3 \text{ MeV}$

- 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)  $\frac{1}{\gamma} = \left[1 - \left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2\right]^{1/2}$  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  $m_p c^2 = 938 \text{ MeV}$ ,  $\gamma_e = [1 - (0.75)^2]^{1/2} = 1.5119$ . Substituting these values into the first equation, we find  $\gamma_p = 1 + \frac{m_e c^2 (\gamma_e - 1)}{m_p c^2} = 1 + \frac{(0.5110)(1.5119 - 1)}{938} = 1.000279$ . But

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

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

$$u_p = \left(\frac{1.5119}{1.000279}\right) \left[\frac{0.5110/c^2}{938/c^2}\right] (0.75c) = 6.17 \times 10^{-4} c.$$

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

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

- 2-18 (a) The mass difference of the two nuclei is

$$\Delta m = 54.927\ 9\ \text{u} - 54.924\ 4\ \text{u} = 0.003\ 5\ \text{u}$$

$$\Delta E = (931\ \text{MeV/u})(0.003\ 5\ \text{u}) = 3.26\ \text{MeV}.$$

- (b) The rest energy for an electron is 0.511 MeV. Therefore,

$$K = 3.26\ \text{MeV} - 0.511\ \text{MeV} = 2.75\ \text{MeV}.$$

- 2-20  $\Delta m = m_p - m_e = 1.008\ 665\ \text{u} - 1.007\ 276\ \text{u} - 0.000\ 548\ 5\ \text{u} = 8.404 \times 10^{-4}\ \text{u}$   
 $E = c^2 (8.404 \times 10^{-4}\ \text{u}) = (8.404 \times 10^{-4}\ \text{u})(931.5\ \text{MeV/u}) = 0.783\ \text{MeV}.$

- 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  $3108\ \text{kg} \sqrt{1-0.467^2} = M = 2.75 \times 10^3\ \text{kg}$ .

2-33 The energy that arrives in one year is

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

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