

3. Equations (2)-(4) are equally valid for an elastic and a totally inelastic collision. Only Eq. (5) changes: for a totally inelastic collision, the change in the y or y' component of the momentum equals -1 times the initial momentum (instead of -2 times the initial momentum). Hence Eq. (4) becomes

$$-f(v^2)mv_y = -f(v'^2)mv'_y$$

This differs from Eq. (5) only by the absence of the factor of 2. But that has no effect on the remainder of the derivation [compare Eqs. (6)-(8)].

5. The relativistic energy has the Taylor series expansion

$$\frac{mc^2}{\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}} = mc^2 \left[1 + \frac{v^2}{2c^2} + \frac{3v^4}{8c^4} + \dots \right]$$

so the kinetic energy is

$$K = \frac{1}{2} mv^2 + \frac{3}{8} \frac{mv^4}{c^2} + \dots$$

The second term represents the difference between the relativistic and the Newtonian expressions, and the fractional difference is

$$\frac{3mv^4/8c^2}{mv^2/2} = \frac{3}{4} \frac{v^2}{c^2} = \frac{3}{4} \frac{(2.2 \times 10^6)^2}{(3 \times 10^8)^2} = 4.0 \times 10^{-5}$$

11. The rate of mass loss is the rate of energy loss divided by c^2 ,

$$\frac{dM}{dt} = \frac{3.9 \times 10^{26} \text{ W}}{c^2} = 4.3 \times 10^9 \text{ kg/s}$$

and in one year,

$$\Delta M = 4.3 \times 10^9 \text{ kg/s} \times 3.16 \times 10^7 \text{ s} = 1.4 \times 10^{17} \text{ kg}$$

12. (a) For 10 kilotons TNT, the energy is $10 \times 4.2 \times 10^{12} \text{ J}$, and the rest mass converted is

$$\frac{1}{c^2} \times 10 \times 4.2 \times 10^{12} \text{ J} = 4.7 \times 10^{-4} \text{ kg}$$

(b) No, since the energy has an associated mass equal to that of the original rest mass.

17. (a) The mass defect is

$$2 \times 938.3 \text{ MeV}/c^2 + 2 \times 939.6 \text{ MeV}/c^2 - 3727.4 \text{ MeV}/c^2 = 28.4 \text{ MeV}/c^2. \text{ Accordingly, the binding energy is } \text{B.E.} = 28.4 \text{ MeV}$$

(b) The binding energy of the helium nucleus is larger than the binding energy of two deuterium nuclei by

$$28.4 \text{ MeV} - 2 \times 1.3 \text{ MeV} = 25.8 \text{ MeV}$$

19. The energy E' of each of the pions is $E' = 110 \text{ MeV} + 140 \text{ MeV} = 250 \text{ MeV}$. The momentum is $p' = \pm (1/c) \sqrt{E'^2 - m^2 c^4} = 207 \text{ MeV}/c$. From the inverses of the transformation equations (36) and (37) for energy and momentum we find E and p for the forward pion:

$$E = \frac{E' + Vp'}{\sqrt{1 - V^2/c^2}} = \frac{250 + 0.90 \times 207}{\sqrt{1 - 0.90^2}} = 1001 \text{ MeV}$$

$$p = \frac{p' + \frac{VE'}{c^2}}{\sqrt{1 - V^2/c^2}} = \frac{207 + 0.90 \times \frac{250}{c}}{\sqrt{1 - 0.90^2}} = \boxed{991 \text{ MeV}/c}$$

and

$$K = E - mc^2 = 1001 \text{ MeV} - 140 \text{ MeV} = \boxed{861 \text{ MeV}}$$

Likewise, for the backward pion:

$$E = \frac{E' + Vp'}{\sqrt{1 - V^2/c^2}} = \frac{250 - 0.90 \times 207}{\sqrt{1 - 0.90^2}} = 146 \text{ MeV}$$

$$p = \frac{p' + \frac{VE'}{c^2}}{\sqrt{1 - V^2/c^2}} = \frac{-207 + 0.90 \times \frac{250}{c}}{\sqrt{1 - 0.90^2}} = \boxed{41 \text{ MeV}/c}$$

and

$$K = E - mc^2 = 146 \text{ MeV} - 140 \text{ MeV} = \boxed{6 \text{ MeV}}$$

20. From Eqs. (36) and (37), with $p_x = \pm E/c$,

$$E' = \frac{E \mp VE/c}{\sqrt{1 - V^2/c^2}} = E \sqrt{\frac{1 \mp V/c}{1 \pm V/c}}$$

$$p' = \frac{p \mp Vp/c}{\sqrt{1 - V^2/c^2}} = p \sqrt{\frac{1 \mp V/c}{1 \pm V/c}}$$

The photons of the light wave have energy $E = h\nu$; hence the transformation law for E must be the same as that for ν .