

Q1

charge

charge

1st generation

2nd generation

3rd generation

$+2/3$

u

c

t

} quarks

$-1/3$

d

s

b

$-1/2$

$\bar{e}$

$\bar{\mu}$

$\bar{\tau}$

} leptons

0

$\nu_e$

$\nu_\mu$

$\nu_\tau$

Q2

a) The mass of a decaying particle must be at least the sum of the <sup>rest</sup> masses of the produced particles to satisfy mass-energy conservation; the additional mass of the decaying particles goes into the momentum of the produced particles to satisfy momentum conservation

b) p: uud

c) i)  $E = 1500 \text{ GeV}$

~~$E_{CM} = \sqrt{2mE}$  (for two counter-propagating beams)~~

$E_{CM} = \sqrt{(E_1 + E_2)^2 - (E_1 - E_2)^2}$  for two beams of energies  $E_1$  &  $E_2$  with  $\theta = 180^\circ$

since  $E_1 = E_2 = E$

$E_{CM} = 2E = 13000 \text{ GeV}$

ii) The center-of-mass energy of each proton-proton interaction is less than this since the colliding protons consist of three quarks & a sea of gluons all of which carry a fraction of the proton's momentum but which the sum of gives the center-of-mass energy

Q3

a)  $E^2 = m^2 c^4 + p^2 c^2$

E: particle <sup>total</sup> energy [GeV]

m: particle rest mass [GeV/c<sup>2</sup>]

p: particle momentum [GeV/c]

c: speed of light

b) From the Einstein mass-energy equation we see that -ve energy solutions are possible (i.e.  $E = \pm (m^2 c^4 + p^2 c^2)^{1/2}$ ). In classical mechanics, these negative energy solutions can be ignored. However, in quantum mechanics we must consider them. These negative energy solutions that arose in the development of the relativistic quantum mechanical model of the electron are interpreted by P.A.M. Dirac to be 'anti-particles'.

\* the charge

c) Position by Carl Andersen in 1932 ~~observing~~ in cloud chamber experiments at Caltech

d) ~~There~~ The track that a particle makes can be photographed in cloud chamber experiments. If a magnetic field is applied to the interaction region, & the magnitude of this applied field is known then <sup>from</sup> the radius of curvature <sup>& direction of the curved path</sup> of the ~~one~~ can determine the mass & charge of the particle ( $F_{\text{Lorentz}} = q\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}$ ). Andersen discovered a particle of similar mass to the electron curving in the opposite direction - the positron.

Q4 [SEMF gives mass, increasing binding energy (all other things being equal) reduces mass  $\Rightarrow$  the terms in the SEMF reduce the binding energy & vice-versa]

a)  $M(Z, A) = Zm_p +$  The  $a_s$  term is the surface term that arises from the liquid drop model of the nucleus. It reduces the binding energy of the nucleus and ~~arises~~ arises because ~~the~~ nucleons on the 'surface' of the nucleus have less neighbouring nuclei with which they can ~~be~~ strongly bind to & hence reducing the binding energy of the nucleus.

b) On average heavy nuclei contain fewer protons than neutrons. This is explained by the Coulomb term of the SEMF ( $a_c Z^2 A^{-1/3}$ ) which ~~reduces the binding energy~~ arises from proton-proton repulsion (& hence is independent of the # of neutrons) and reduces the binding energy of the ~~the~~ nucleus.

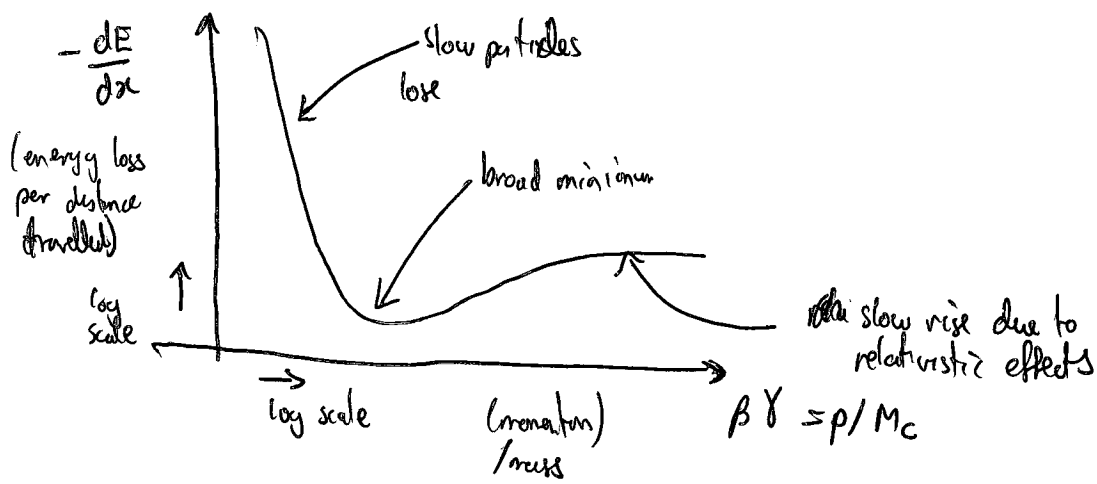
Q5

a) 1) electron electromagnetic calorimeter	semiconductor trackers
2) hadronic calorimeter	
3) muon spectrometer	

b) Muons & pions traverse the whole detector (due to their high energies) & are measured in the outer most muon spectrometers. Pions are charged and leave a track in the trackers before being deposited in the hadronic calorimeters.

c) b-jets - identified by reconstructing the displaced secondary vertex.  
 $c\tau \approx 350 \text{ nm}$

Q6 a) Bethe-Bloch Formula  $\leftarrow$  gives energy loss with distance travelled as a function of particle momentum



b)  $p = 1 \text{ GeV}/c$

Proton will lose more momentum, its larger <sup>rest</sup> mass means that its  $\beta\gamma$  is smaller. The proton is moving slower than the pion & so it loses more energy ( $\beta\gamma$  is below <sup>the</sup> relativistic region).

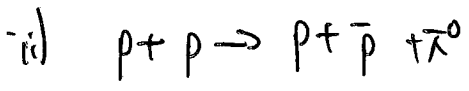
Section B

$m_p = 938 \text{ MeV}$   
 $m_n = 940 \text{ MeV}$   
 $m_e = 0.511 \text{ MeV}$



Not allowed due to energy conservation.  $m_n + m_e (+m_{\nu_e}) > m_p$   
But we also know that the proton does not decay.

$m_\pi = 130 \text{ MeV}$



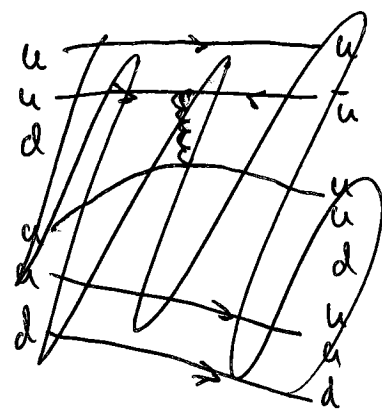
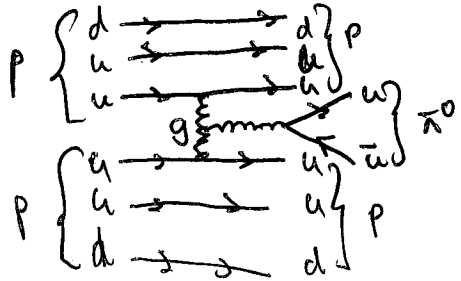
Baryon # violation!

LHS: baryon # = 1 + 1 = 2  
RHS: baryon # = 1 + (-1) + 0 = 0

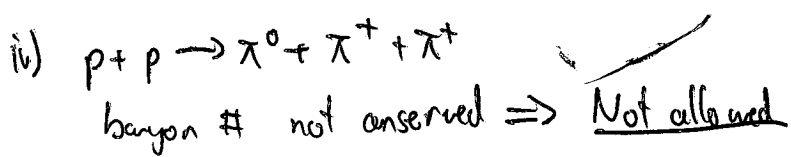
Not allowed



- charge is conserved
- baryon # is conserved
- mass-energy & momentum can be conserved



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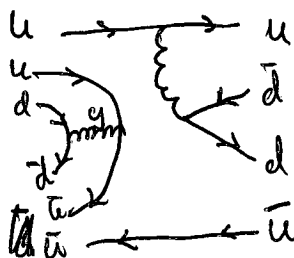
• baryon # conserved

• charge conserved

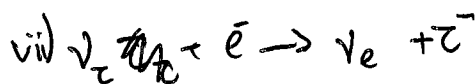
• ~~charge~~ energy-momentum can be conserved

$$\pi^+: u \bar{d}$$

$$\pi^-: \bar{u} d$$



• lepton # violation, not allowed

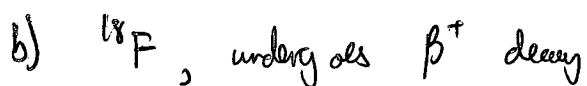
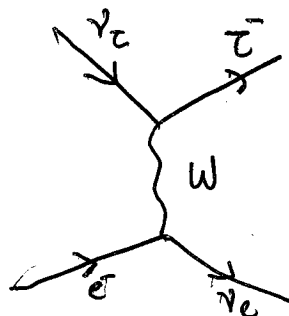


• lepton # conserved

• tau & electron lepton # conserved

• charge conserved

• energy-momentum can be conserved



$$t_{1/2} = 109.8 \text{ mins}$$



$^{18}\text{O}$  produced in  $\beta^+$  decay of  $^{18}\text{F}$

ii) # of emitted positrons  $\equiv$  # of decayed  $^{18}\text{F}$

$$N(t) = N_0 \exp(-t/\tau), \tau \text{ is the lifetime}$$

$$= \left( (1 \text{ mol}) \times 6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1} \right) \exp\left(\frac{5}{109.8}\right)$$

$\approx$

$$N(t_{1/2}) = N_0/2 = N_0 \exp(-t_{1/2}/\tau)$$

$$-\ln 2 = -t_{1/2}/\tau$$

$$\tau = t_{1/2}/\ln 2$$

$$N(t=5 \text{ mins}) = (6.022 \times 10^{23}) \exp(-5 \ln 2 / 109.8) \approx 5.834 \times 10^{23} \text{ (atoms remaining)}$$

## Q7 continued

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b) i) Number of positions emitted  $\equiv$  Number of  $^{18}\text{F}$  decay  $= N_A - 5.834 \times 10^{23}$   
 $= 1.87 \times 10^{22}$

ii) energy released in decay

$$\Delta M = \left[ (17.9991610 \text{ u} + 2.037 \text{ MeV}) - (18.0009380 \text{ u}) \right] / c^2$$

$\{u = 931.5 \text{ MeV}\} \quad \uparrow \text{no } e^-$

$$E = \Delta M c^2 = 0.633 \text{ MeV}$$

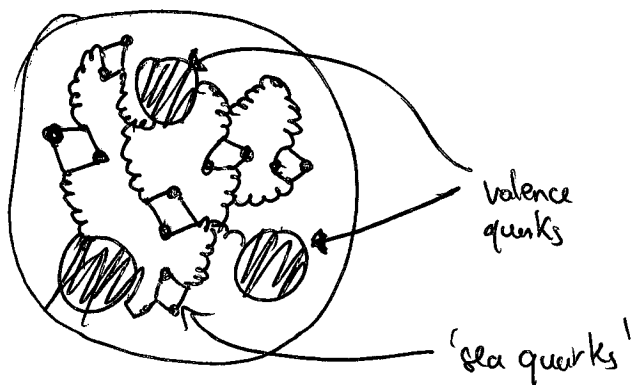
iv) •  $\alpha$ -emission :  $\frac{\text{emitted particles}}{\alpha \text{ particles } (^4\text{He} \text{ particles})}$

•  $\gamma$ -ray emission :  $\gamma$  rays...

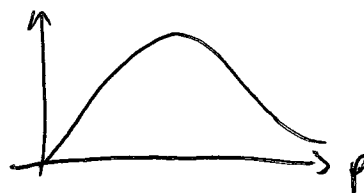
## Q8

a) de Broglie relation To probe small distances we need a small / short wavelength to resolve these distances. The de Broglie relation gives the wavelength as a function of momentum as,  $\lambda_{dB} = \frac{h}{p}$ . Since  $\lambda_{dB} \propto 1/p$  then large momenta & hence high-energies are required to probe small distances.

b) If the proton consisted of ~~only~~ 3 quarks then we would expect that the momentum of each of these quarks to be  $1/3$  of the total momentum. However, what was observed in scattering ~~more~~ experiments was a continuous spectrum of momentum. This was explained by postulating that ~~the proton also consisted of quarks~~ the quarks that held the proton together can spontaneously create a quark-antiquark pair ( $g \rightarrow \bar{q}q \rightarrow g$ ).



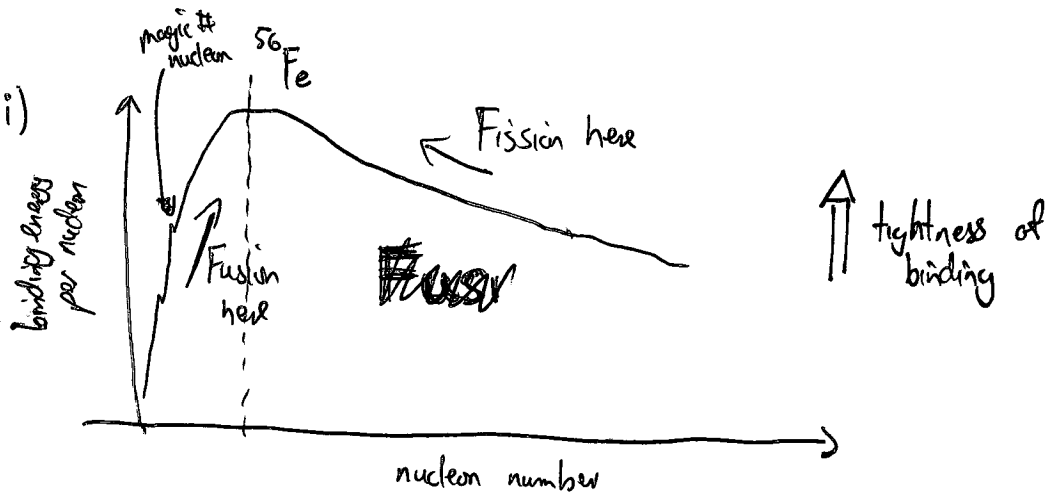
These quark-antiquark pairs created by quantum fluctuations ~~also~~ carry a fraction of the protons momentum explaining the spectrum seen



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e) i)



ii)

### Nuclear Fission

The principle ~~between~~ <sup>behind</sup> nuclear fission and fusion is to take advantage of the difference in binding energy per nucleon between nuclei with different nucleon numbers.

### Nuclear Fission

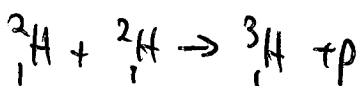
For nuclei with nucleon number  $> 200$  it may be energetically favorable for the massive nuclei to split into ~~two~~ <sup>two or more</sup> less massive daughter nuclei. In doing so the excess energy is carried off as the kinetic energy of the fission products.

→ that are more tightly bound & hence more stable

### Nuclear Fusion

In fusion, two light nuclei combine/fuse to form a heavier nucleus which has a larger binding energy per nucleon & hence is more tightly bound. The mass of the fused nuclei is less than the sum of the mass of the two nuclei being fused, & this ~~excess~~ difference in mass manifests itself as kinetic energy of the fused nuclei.

iii)



$$\text{Binding energy } \Delta E = (8.482 - 2(2.224)) \text{ MeV} \\ = 4.034 \text{ MeV}$$

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i)  $B_{s2}^* \rightarrow B^+ + K^-$

ii)  $B_c^+ \rightarrow B_s^0 + \pi^+$

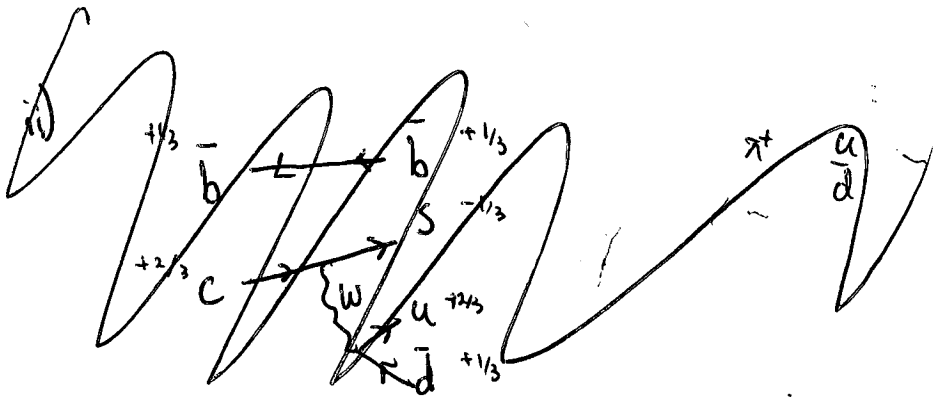
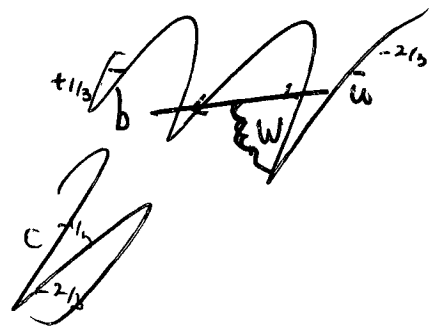
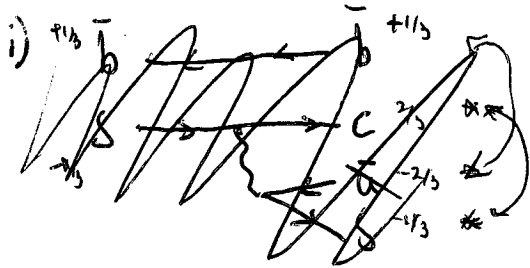
d)  $B_{s2}^* : \bar{b}s, m_{B_{s2}^*} = 5840 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

$B_s^0 : \bar{b}s, m_{B_s^0} = 5367 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

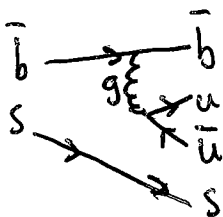
$B_c^+ : \bar{b}c, m_{B_c^+} = 6276 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

$B^+ = \bar{b}u, m_{B^+} = 5279 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

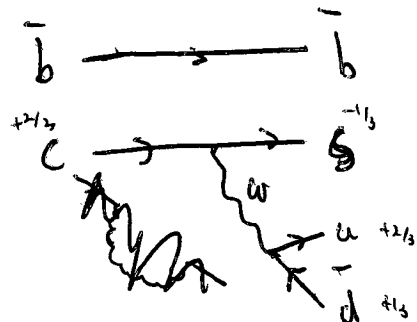
$K^- = s\bar{u}, m_{K^-} = 494 \text{ MeV}/c^2$



i)  $B_{s2}^* \rightarrow B^+ + K^-$   
 $\bar{b}s \quad \bar{b}u \quad s\bar{u}$



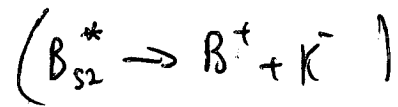
ii)  $B_c^+ \rightarrow B_s^0 + \pi^+$   
 $\bar{b}c \quad \bar{b}s \quad u\bar{d}$



- b) i) Strong interaction  
ii) Weak interaction

c)  $B_{s2}^*$  decays faster because it decays via strong force.

d)  $B^+$ ,  $c\tau \sim 450 \mu\text{m}$



$B_{s2}^*$  had  $10 \text{ GeV}/c$  at time of decay

$$p_{B_{s2}^*} \approx p_{B^+}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}}$$

time dilation

$$\tau' = \gamma \tau = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}} \tau, \quad \beta = v/c$$

$\beta = ?$

$$p_{B_{s2}^*} = p_{B^+} = \gamma m_{B^+} v = \overbrace{(10 \text{ E9})(5.344 \cdot 10^{-24})}^{\text{num}} \text{ Kg m s}^{-1}$$

$$\frac{\beta}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}} m_B = \text{num}/c$$

$$\frac{\beta^2}{1 - \beta^2} = \left( \frac{\text{num}}{m_B c} \right)^2 \Rightarrow \beta^2 = \left( \frac{\text{num}}{m_B c} \right)^2 - \left( \frac{\text{num}}{m_B c} \right)^2 \beta^2$$

$$\beta^2 = \frac{\left( \text{num}/m_B c \right)^2}{1 + \left( \text{num}/m_B c \right)^2}$$

$$\approx 0.782$$

$$c\tau' = \gamma \tau \approx 722 \mu\text{m}$$

$$\beta = \frac{v}{c}$$

$$\text{distance} = v\tau'$$

$$= \beta c\tau' \approx 638.56 \mu\text{m}$$

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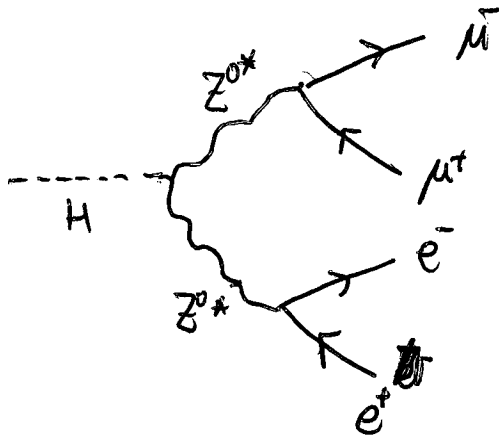


Q4 ~~e)~~  $m_{B_s} = 5840 \text{ MeV}/c^2$   
 $m_{B^+} = 5279 \text{ MeV}/c^2$   
 $m_{K^-} = 494 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

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f) ~~m~~  $\frac{mv^2}{r} = qBv$   
 $r = \frac{mv}{qB}$   
 $\frac{1}{r} = qB/mv = \frac{(1)(3)}{1 \text{ GeV}/c}$   
 $= \frac{eC}{(1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C})(5.344 \times 10^{-28} \text{ Kg})} \text{ m}^{-1} \text{ s}^2$   
 $\approx 0.3 \text{ m}^{-1}$

Q10  
a) i)



if  $m_H = 125 \text{ GeV}/c^2$

$m_{Z^0} = 91 \text{ GeV}/c^2$

$m_{Z^{0*}} = 34 \text{ GeV}/c^2$

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b)  $\sigma_{\text{Higgs}} = 20000 \text{ fb}$

$f_{Z \rightarrow e^+ e^-} = 3.36\%$

$f_{Z \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-} = 3.36\%$

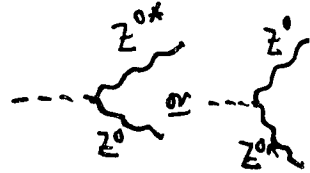
$f_{H \rightarrow ZZ} = 2.7\%$

10 fb<sup>-1</sup> of data

$\Rightarrow \text{total H events} = (20000)(10)$   
 $= 2 \times 10^5$

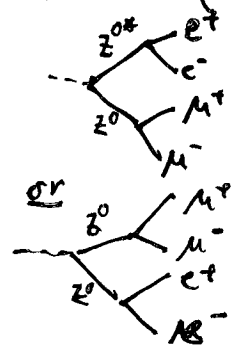
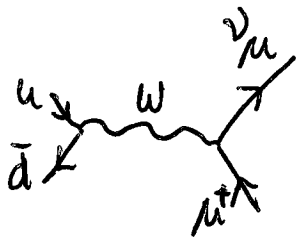
$\text{total } H \rightarrow ZZ \text{ events} = [(0.027)(2 \times 10^5)]$   
 $= 5400$

$\text{total } ZZ \rightarrow e^+ e^- \mu^+ \mu^- = \left( \left( \frac{10.8 \times 10^3}{5400} \right) (0.0336)^2 \right) 2$   
 $\text{fb} = 24$



c) Higgs does not couple directly to photons because Higgs only couples to massive particles & photons are massless.

d)  $\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu$   
 $u \bar{d}$



e) We consider the decay  $\pi^+ \rightarrow l^+ \nu_l$ , where  $l$  is the lepton in question. We can consider the decay in the rest frame of the  $\pi^+$ , & so the  $l^+$  &  $\nu_l$  must travel back to back to conserve momentum. We know that  $\pi^+$  is a spin-0 particle & so the spins of the products  $l^+$  &  $\nu_l$  must be antialigned to conserve spin. We have two scenarios

①  $\leftarrow \text{spin} \quad \text{spin} \rightarrow$   
 $\nu_l \leftarrow (\pi^+) \rightarrow l^+$

②  $\text{spin} \rightarrow \quad \text{spin} \leftarrow$   
 $\nu_l \leftarrow (\pi^+) \rightarrow l^+$

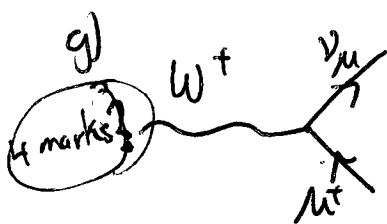
Q10 e) We know that only left handed neutrinos occur in nature

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& so ① is not allowed. However this would imply a left handed anti-lepton. If this particle were massless & hence travelling at the speed of light then ② too would be disallowed. But since the charged lepton is massive, its helicity cannot be exactly defined & so ② is allowed but suppressed by  $\left(\frac{m_e}{E}\right)^2 \rightarrow \left(\frac{2m_\mu m_e}{m_e^2 + m_\mu^2}\right)^2$

$\Rightarrow$  This explains why the branching ratio to the more massive anti-muon is less suppressed than to the anti-electron.

(This can also be considered at a more superficial level, the larger mass of the muon implies that its velocity is smaller in the rest frame of  $\pi^+$ . This means that its helicity is less well defined than the  $e^-$  that moves at relativistic speeds)



Trans In a collider detector, the muon would be detected by the muon spectrometers at the outermost layer of the collider. The neutrino however, being only weakly interacting would not be detected. However, its existence can be inferred by reconstructing the missing momentum.

h) 
$$M(p^2) = \frac{g^2 \hbar^2 c^2}{p^2 - M_W^2 c^4}$$

at low energies this becomes 
$$M \sim -\frac{g^2 \hbar^2}{M_W^2 c^4}$$

Since we assume that  $g_Y \approx g_W$ , then it is easy to see that since the weak force is mediated by weak boson which is massive while the electromagnetic force is mediated by the photon (massless) then the weak force is much weaker at lower energies.

f)  $W^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu$

assuming masses are negligible

$W^+ \rightarrow l^+ \nu_l$  (3 lepton generations)

$W^+ \rightarrow u \bar{d}, u \bar{s}, c \bar{d}, c \bar{s}, u \bar{b}, c \bar{b}$

Branching Fraction  $= \frac{1}{9}$

Q i) electron beam energy :  $70 \text{ GeV} = E_1$

proton beam energy :  $7000 \text{ GeV} = E_2$

Centre of mass energy :  $E_{CM} = \sqrt{(E_1 + E_2)^2 - (E_1 - E_2)^2}$

$= 1400 \text{ GeV}$

- ii)  $\mathcal{L}$  depends on
- # of colliding bunches
  - # of particles in each beam  $\uparrow$  instantaneous luminosity
  - cross sectional area of the beam
  - frequency with which the bunches circulate.

d)  $\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu$

total energy of  $\mu^+$  in rest frame of  $\pi^+$

$m_\pi = 139.57 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ ,  $m_\mu = 105.7 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

$$m_\pi^2 c^4 = m_\mu^2 c^4 + (p_\mu c)^2$$

$W^2 = m_\pi^2 c^4 = (E_\mu + E_\nu)^2 - (p_\mu c + p_\nu c)^2$

but by conservation of momentum

$p_\mu = -p_\nu$

$\Rightarrow m_\pi^2 c^4 = (E_\mu + E_\nu)^2$

but we assume massless neutrinos  $\Rightarrow E_\nu = p_\nu c = p_\mu c$

$m_\pi^2 c^4 = (m_\mu^2 c^4 + 2 p_\mu c)^2$

$p_\mu c = \frac{1}{2} (m_\pi^2 c^4 - m_\mu^2 c^4) = \frac{1}{2} (m_\pi^2 c^2 - m_\mu^2 c^2)$

$p_\mu c = 16.935 \text{ MeV}$

$E_\mu = (m_\mu^2 c^4 + p_\mu^2 c^2)^{1/2} = 107.0 \text{ MeV}$

