## Problem 1

By the Hillas cryterion,

$$E_{\rm max} \approx 2\beta c ZeBr.$$
 (1.1)

With r = 4 km, B = 10 T, Z = 1, and the particles traveling at nearly the speed of light  $(\beta \to 1)$ ,

$$E_{\text{max}} \approx 2 \times 3 \times 10^8 \,\text{m s}^{-1} \times 1 \times 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \,\text{C} \times 10 \,\text{T} \times 4 \,\text{km} \approx \boxed{24 \,\text{TeV}}$$
 (1.2)

Discuss whether this places the LHC at about the right place on the Hillas diagram.

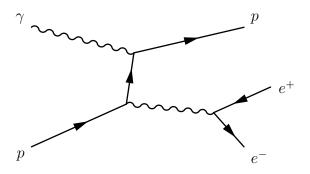
To accelerate particles to  $E=1\,\mathrm{ZeV}=1\times10^{21}\,\mathrm{eV},$  an accelerator of this size would need a magnetic field of

$$B_2 = \frac{E_2}{E_1} \times B_1 = \frac{1 \times 10^{21} \,\text{eV}}{24 \times 10^{12} \,\text{eV}} \times 10 \,\text{T} = \boxed{4.16 \times 10^9 \,\text{T}}$$
(1.3)

The maximum energy of an accelerator circling the earth  $(r = 6.4 \times 10^6 \,\mathrm{m})$  with a 10 T field would be

$$E_3 = \frac{r_3}{r_1} \times E_1 = \frac{6.4 \times 10^6 \,\mathrm{m}}{4 \times 10^3 \,\mathrm{m}} \times 24 \times 10^{12} \,\mathrm{eV} = \boxed{3.84 \times 10^4 \,\mathrm{TeV}}$$
(1.4)

## Problem 2



$$P_{\gamma} + P_{p} = P_{p'} + P_{e^{+}} + P_{e^{-}} \tag{2.1}$$

Squaring both sides we get,

$$(P_{\gamma} + P_p)^2 = (m_p + 2m_e)^2. \tag{2.2}$$

$$(P_{\gamma} + P_p)^2 = P_{\gamma}^2 + P_p^2 + P_{\gamma}P_p = 0 + m_p^2 + 2P_{\gamma} \cdot P_p$$
(2.3)

Since the proton is ultra-relativistic,

$$P_{\gamma} = \begin{pmatrix} E_{\gamma} & -E_{\gamma} & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad P_{p} \approx \begin{pmatrix} E_{p} & E_{p} & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \tag{2.4}$$

$$\therefore P_{\gamma} \cdot P_{p} = 2E_{p}E_{\gamma},\tag{2.5}$$

and

$$m_p^2 + 4E_p E_\gamma = m_p^2 + 4m_e m_p + 4m_e^2 (2.6)$$

$$E_p = \frac{m_e m_p + m_e^2}{E_\gamma} \tag{2.7}$$

 $m_e=0.511$  MeV,  $m_p=938$  MeV. The temperature of the CMB is 2.726 K which corresponds to  $E_{\gamma}=0.235$  meV. Substituting, we get

$$E_p = \frac{0.511 \times 938 + 0.511^2}{0.235} \times \frac{10^{12}}{10^{-3}} \text{ eV} = \boxed{2.04 \times 10^{18} \text{ eV}}$$
 (2.8)

## Problem 3

$$P_1 + P_2 = P_+ + P_- \tag{3.1}$$

After squaring both sides, since  $m_1 = m_2 = 0$ ,

$$2E_1E_2 = 4m_e^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad E_1 = \frac{2m_e^2}{E_2}.$$
 (3.2)

For  $\lambda_2 = 1 \, \mu \text{m}$ ,

$$E_2 = \frac{hc}{\lambda} = 1.24 \text{ eV} \tag{3.3}$$

$$E_1 = \frac{2 \times (0.511 \times 10^6)^2}{1.24} \text{ eV} = 4.2 \times 10^{11} \text{ eV} = \boxed{0.42 \text{ TeV}}$$
(3.4)

Problem 4

Problem 5

Problem 6

Problem 7

Problem 8