

- 1) High energy muons are produced high in the atmosphere (at about 8-10 km above the earth) and move with an average velocity of $0.998 c$ in the direction of the earth. At sea level a high flux of $\sim 180 \text{ muons}/(\text{m}^2\text{s})$ is observed. What is the average energy of these muons? How far would these muons move on average according to non-relativistic mechanics? ($\tau \approx 2.2 \mu\text{s}$). Would they reach the earth? How does the result change when we apply relativistic mechanics?
- 2) Particle A (with energy E) collides with particle B, initially at rest. Particles $\{C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n\}$ are produced. m_i is the mass of C_i . Show that the threshold energy for this reaction is given by

$$E = \frac{(M^2 - m_A^2 - m_B^2)}{2m_B} c^2 \quad \text{with} \quad M = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i$$

Calculate the threshold energy for $p + p \rightarrow p + p + \pi^+ + \pi^-$.

- 3) Show using the Λ matrix that $p \cdot p$ is invariant under Lorentz transformations.
- 4) Define a group.