

Problem 29.19

The cosmic ray's energy is:

$$\begin{aligned} E &= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)mv^2 \\ \left[\left(10 \times 10^6 \text{ eV}\right)\left(1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ joules/eV}\right)\right] &= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}\right)v^2 \\ \Rightarrow v &= 4.38 \times 10^7 \text{ m/s} \end{aligned}$$

From our magnetic force relationship, we can write:

$$\begin{aligned} qvB \sin 90^\circ &= ma \\ &= m \frac{v^2}{r} \\ \Rightarrow B &= \frac{mv}{er} \\ &= \frac{\left(1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}\right)\left(4.38 \times 10^7 \text{ m/s}\right)}{\left(1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}\right)\left(5.8 \times 10^{10} \text{ m}\right)} \\ &= 7.88 \times 10^{-12} \text{ T} \end{aligned}$$