

**Answer all questions in the blue notebook provided. In order to receive the most credit show all your work and indicate your reasoning clearly.**

1. A photon rocket “burns” a fraction of its initial mass to reach a cruising speed. With this speed it flies between two planets that are three light-hours apart. The time elapsed on the rocket’s clock during the flight is four hours.
  - (a) What is the cruising speed of the rocket (in the planets’ reference frame)?
  - (b) What fraction of the initial mass of the rocket has been burned to reach the cruising speed?
2. A stationary particle of mass  $M$  decays into another particle of mass  $m$  and a photon.
  - (a) What is the energy of the photon?
  - (b) What is the speed of the particle?