

SPECIAL RELATIVITY

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SPECIAL RELATIVITY INTRO

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IN THE ELECTRODYNAMICS OF MOVING BODIES

IN THE LIMIT OF LOW VELOCITY v
SPECIAL RELATIVITY \rightarrow CLASSICAL MECHANICS

Different behaviour when $v \approx c$ speed of light

DEFINITION: Events that are simultaneous to one observer may not be simultaneous to another observers moving relative to one another measuring a time interval or length may not get the same results

SPECIAL RELATIVITY is only an accurate description at inertial reference frames.

in INERTIAL REFERENCE FRAME is a frame in which Newton's 1st Law holds

Idea goes back to GALILEO:

"If you are in a boat below deck, there is no experiment you can do to know you are moving if the boat can move smoothly"

IF a COORDINATE SYSTEM (x, y, z, t) is moving at a constant velocity w.r.t another inertial reference frame, then the COORDINATE SYSTEM can also be considered an INERTIAL REFERENCE FRAME

GALILEAN TRANSFORMATIONS

$$x = x' + vt \quad y = y' \quad z = z' \quad t = t'$$

$$dx = dx' + vt \quad dy = dy' \quad dz = dz' \quad dt = dt'$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{dx'}{dt} + v \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{dy'}{dt} \quad \frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{dz'}{dt}$$

$$u_x = u_{x'} + v \quad u_y = u_{y'} \quad u_z = u_{z'}$$

$$\vec{u} = \vec{u}' + \vec{v}$$

$$\vec{a} = \frac{du}{dt} = \frac{du'}{dt} + \vec{v}$$

$$F = ma \quad F' = m'a' \quad \frac{m = M}{a' = a} \quad F = F'$$

$$K = \int F \cdot dr = \frac{m}{2} (v_2^2 - v_1^2)$$

RELATIVITIES

GALILEAN

VALID AT LOW VELOCITIES

APPROXIMATION OF SPECIAL RELATIVITY

SPECIAL

VALID AT ALL VELOCITIES EVEN AS $v \approx c$

NOT VALID IN STRONG GRAVITATIONAL FIELDS

OR NON-INERTIAL REFERENCE FRAMES

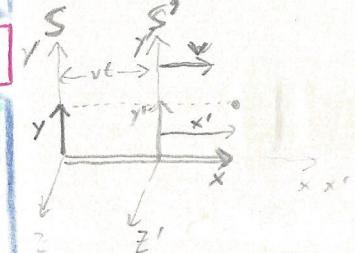
APPROXIMATION OF:

GENERAL

VALID AT ALL VELOCITIES

DESCRIBES GRAVITY

NOT YET COMPATIBLE WITH CURRENT QUANTUM MECHANICS THEORIES



LIGHT

Hot topic for debate: wave vs. particle

Physicists believed all waves need a medium
 ⇒ Invented LUMINIFEROUS Ether

Velocity of light would depend on motion w.r.t motion through ether

By this, same v in both directions → we are stationary
 different v in 2 directions → we are moving

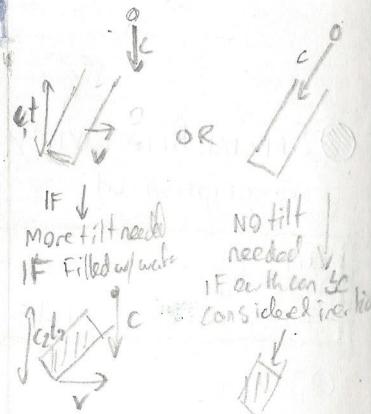
Fizeau Experiment & Airy (water in telescope)

It was noticed that as the earth moved, the angle to point up at a star changed.
 "stellar aberration"

stars look highest when earth was moving away fastest NOT when closest

Tried to measure velocity of earth relative to photon by filling telescope w/ water

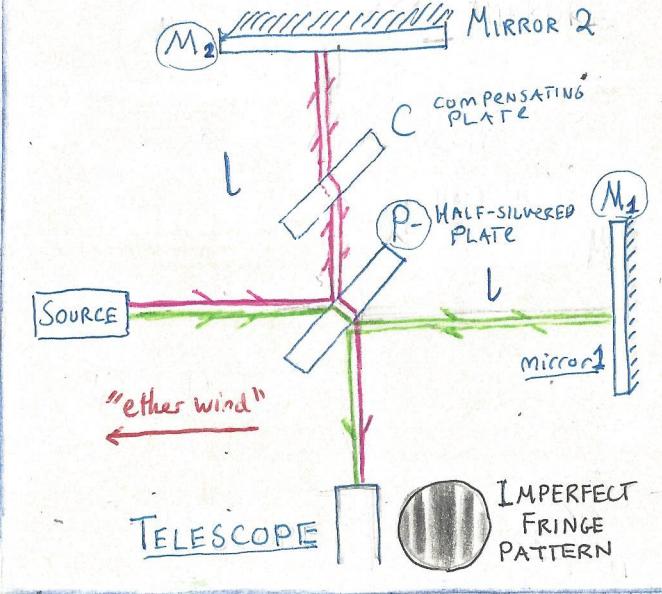
Found that no tilt was needed
 → This was explained with "Ether drag"



should be able to detect an "Ether Wind"



MICHELSON - MORLEY EXPERIMENT



P = Glass plate w/ semi-transparent coating on its front face, at 45° to source beam

M_1, M_2 = Two mirrors

C = Compensating plate to ensure both beams travel through the same amount of glass

Whole interferometer was floated in a bath of mercury

- Change in length of an arm would lead to phase shift in lights
 → with care, can measure small fractions of a wavelength due to shifting fringes

Let t_1 = time it takes to go from P → $M_1 \rightarrow P$

t_2 = time it takes to go from P → $M_2 \rightarrow P$

and suppose the setup begins w/ the ether moving in the $M_1 P$ direction

$$\text{let } \Delta T = t_1 - t_2$$

If ΔT changes then the fringes change
 A way to measure the speed of "ether wind"

ALONG L₁ (P, M₁)

$$t_1 = \frac{l_1}{c-v} + \frac{l_1}{c+v} = \frac{l_1(c+v) + l_1(c-v)}{(c-v)(c+v)} = \frac{2l_1 c}{c^2 - v^2}$$

$$t_1 = \frac{\frac{1}{c^2}}{\frac{1}{c^2} - \frac{v^2}{c^2}} \cdot \frac{2l_1 c}{(1-\frac{v^2}{c^2})(1+\frac{v^2}{c^2})} = \frac{2 \frac{l_1}{c} \cdot (1 + \frac{v^2}{c^2})}{1 - \frac{v^4}{c^2}}$$

Consider $1 - \frac{v^4}{c^2}$ to be negligible

$$\boxed{t_1 = 2 \frac{l_1}{c} \left(1 + \frac{v^2}{c^2}\right)}$$

ALONG L₂ must also account for the "ether"

$$t_2 = \frac{l_2}{\sqrt{c^2-v^2}} + \frac{l_2}{\sqrt{c^2+v^2}} = \frac{2l_2}{c\sqrt{1-\frac{v^2}{c^2}}}$$

② TAYLOR EXPANSION OF $(1+x)^m$

$$(1+x)^m = 1 + \frac{mx}{1!} + \frac{m(m-1)x^2}{2!} + \dots$$

$$\text{so } t_2 = \frac{2l_2}{c} \left(1 - \left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2\right) \approx \frac{2l_2}{c} \left[1 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{v^2}{c^2}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{v^4}{c^4}\right)\right] \quad \text{Negligible}$$

$$\boxed{t_2 = 2 \frac{l_2}{c} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{v^2}{c^2}\right)}$$

$$\Delta T = 2 \left(\frac{l_2 - l_1}{c} \right) + \frac{2l_2 v^2}{c^3} - \frac{2l_1 v^2}{c^3}$$

② IF we rotate it s.t. the second arm is against the wind, then the times get reversed, so

$$\Delta T' = 2 \left(\frac{l_2 - l_1}{c} \right) + \frac{2l_1 v^2}{c^3} - \frac{2l_2 v^2}{c^3}$$

③ SO the TOTAL CHANGE IN ΔT is: $\boxed{\frac{l_1 v^2}{c^3} + \frac{l_2 v^2}{c^3}}$

④ a time delay of $\frac{\lambda}{c}$ would cause the fringes to shift by 1 fringe

⑤ difference in time delay will shift by $N = \frac{(l_1 + l_2)v^2}{c^2} \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda}$

$$N = \frac{(l_1 + l_2)v^2}{\lambda c^3}$$

Known: $\lambda \approx 6 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$, $v = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$, $c = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$

→ THEORETICAL EXPECTED SHIFT: 0.40m
→ EXPERIMENTAL RESULT: 0.01m

- ④ M-M Experiment proves no-ether
 - SCIENTISTS were not ready to accept this
 - IT was suggested that the motion of the earth caused a shortening of the arm of the interferometer by exactly the amount required to eliminate the fringe SHIFT BY A FACTOR OF $\sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}$

□ GEORGE FRANCIS FITZGERALD 1889:

"We know that electric forces are affected by the motion of electrified bodies relative to the ether, and it seems a not-improbable supposition that the molecular forces are affected by the motion and that the size of the body alters correspondingly."

② contraction hypothesis correct but for the wrong reason.

② called "LORENTZ-FITZGERALD" CONTRACTION

EINSTEIN'S REASONING

- ② Viewed problem of light waves vs particle as an error in basic dynamic principles.
→ does not need to fit into old models
- ② Argued the speed of light must be universal

POSTULATES

- 1) ALL INERTIAL FRAMES ARE EQUIVALENT
- 2) SPEED OF LIGHT IN EMPTY SPACE ALWAYS HAS THE SAME VALUE

P2 - CONSISTENT WITH M-M experiment, but BUT M-M experiment does not prove PL

POSTULATES NOT CONSISTENT under galilean transformations/Newtonian Mechanics

④ NEW TRANSFORMATIONS NEEDED

$$N = \frac{2l v^2}{\lambda c^3}$$

EXPECTED: 0.40m

REALITY: ~0.01m

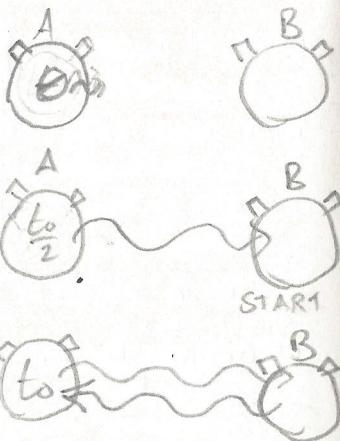
LORENTZ TRANSFORMATION & Synchronised DEF

• We must define a specific procedure for synchronizing clocks (counts periodic events)

• Suppose we have 2 clocks: A and B
By definition, time to travel from A to B
By a photon is the same as the time to travel from B to A

Suppose

clock A shoots out a photon at time $t=0$, then the photon hits B at a time $t = \frac{t_0}{2}$ and comes back to A at a time $t = t_0$



• Under this definition, simultaneity is now relative, not absolute

CASE 1: suppose A, B, C at rest, evenly spaced at $t=0$

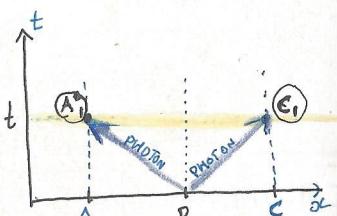
• B sends out signal at $t=0$

SIGNAL described as (initial position) \pm (distance travelled)

$$\Delta x = x_B \pm ct$$

• The ARRIVALS at A and C of the signal is given by the intersection of the WORLDLINES of A and C w/ the signals, at points A_1 & C_1

• Simultaneity at A & C defined by the line A_1C_1 parallel to the x axis, and both points possess the same value of t



CASE 2: suppose A, B, C at rest in the frame S' BUT S' is moving a speed V along x axis

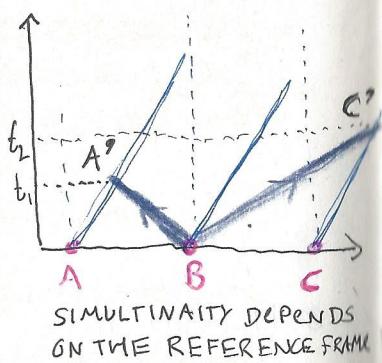
• In the S reference frame these world lines are now inclined

• the signal is still described as $\Delta x = x_B \pm ct$

• Arrives at A' and C' no longer simultaneous

- SIGNAL REACHES A' before C'

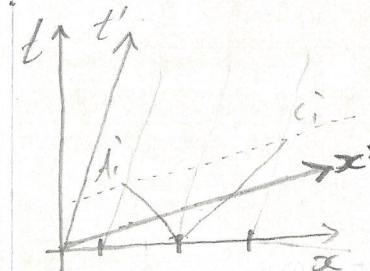
at times $t_1 < t_2$, but still simultaneous in frame S



LORENTZ TRANSFORMATIONS

• We look for a transformation that gives a speed of light independent of speed of the source or the receiver

• Suppose we draw a t' axis parallel to the inclined world lines (as A, B, C will be stationary in S')
• it coincides w/ $t=0$ at $t'=0$



• NOW, THE Line $A'C'$ defines SIMULTANEITY at A and C in S'

→ THIS gives us another coordinate axis x' which is parallel to the $A'C'$ line, which crosses $t'=0$ at $x'=0$ (as positions along a line defining simultaneity have the same time value)

→ THIS x' axis gives all the points along the line of simultaneity where $t'=0$
[ie: sending a signal anywhere on this line can't be verified to be simultaneous to A or C]

• Suppose we have an event occur at a time & place P

- we TRY TO RELATE IT's coordinates w.r.t S and S'

$$\begin{aligned} - \text{we TRY TO FIND } x &= ax' + bt' \\ - bt' &= ax' \end{aligned}$$

- now we substitute points that we know, e.g.

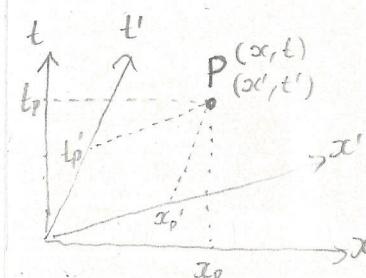
ORIGINS: S moves at a velocity $-V$ w.r.t S'

origin of S is $x=0 = ax' + bt'$

$$- bt' = ax' \quad \frac{x'}{t'} = \frac{-b}{a} = -V$$

$$\text{so we get } \frac{+b}{a} = V$$

$$\begin{aligned} S' \text{ moves at velocity } +V \text{ w.r.t } S \\ x' = 0 = ax - bt \Rightarrow \frac{x}{t} = \frac{b}{a} = V \end{aligned}$$



LORENTZ TRANSFORMATIONS

Now we have $\Delta x = a\Delta x' + bt'$
 $\Delta x' = a\Delta x - bt$

$$\frac{b}{a} = v \Rightarrow b = av$$

so we get $\boxed{\Delta x = a(\Delta x' + vt')}$
 $\boxed{\Delta x' = a(\Delta x - vt)}$

Now consider a light signal from the origin at $\Delta x = \Delta x' = 0$ moving in the positive Δx direction.

$\boxed{\Delta x = ct}$ $\boxed{\Delta x' = ct'}$

PUTTING THIS INTO OUR PREVIOUS EQUATIONS:

$$\Delta x = a(\Delta x' + vt') \rightarrow ct = a(ct' + vt')$$

$$\Delta x' = a(\Delta x - vt) \rightarrow ct' = a(ct - vt)$$

THIS GIVES: $at'(c+v) = ct$
 $ct' = at(c-v)$

DEVIDING THE TWO EQUATIONS, WE GET

$$\frac{a(c+v)}{c} = \frac{c}{a(c-v)}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2(c^2 - v^2) = c^2$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 = \frac{c^2}{c^2 - v^2} \cdot \frac{1}{c^2} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}} = \gamma \text{ its denotation}$$

THIS GIVES US THAT:

$\boxed{\Delta x = \gamma(\Delta x' + vt')}$
 $\boxed{\Delta x' = \gamma(\Delta x - vt)}$

SAME AS GALILEAN, EXCEPT FOR $\gamma \geq 1$

By rearranging these, one also gets:

$\boxed{t = \gamma(t' + \frac{vx'}{c^2})}$
 $\boxed{t' = \gamma(t - \frac{vx}{c^2})}$

LORENTZ TRANSFORMATIONS

To FIND the time transformations:

$$\Delta x = \gamma \Delta x' + \gamma vt' \rightarrow \gamma vt' = \Delta x - \gamma \Delta x'$$

$$\Delta x' = \gamma \Delta x - \gamma vt \rightarrow \gamma vt = \Delta x' - \gamma \Delta x$$

multipling the second by γ , we get:

$$\gamma vt' = \Delta x - \gamma \Delta x'$$

$$\gamma^2 vt = \gamma \Delta x' - \gamma^2 \Delta x$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\gamma vt' + \gamma^2 vt = \Delta x - \gamma^2 \Delta x} \text{ By addition}$$

$$\gamma vt' = \gamma^2 vt + (1 - \gamma^2) \Delta x$$

$$\boxed{t' = \frac{\gamma^2 vt + (1 - \gamma^2) \Delta x}{\gamma v}}$$

$$t' = \gamma t + \frac{1}{v} \left(\frac{1}{\gamma} - 1 \right) \Delta x$$

$$t' = \gamma \left(t + \frac{\Delta x}{v} \left(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2} - 1 \right) \right)$$

$$\boxed{t' = \gamma \left(t - \frac{\Delta x v}{c^2} \right)}$$

AND SIMILARLY:

$$\boxed{t = \gamma \left(t' + \frac{\Delta x' v}{c^2} \right)}$$

as space is the same in all directions,
(i.e: isotropic) all displacements \perp to the direction defined by relative motion
are equivalent:

$$\boxed{y = y'} \quad \& \quad \boxed{z = z'}$$

Lorentz discovered to account for null result with the existance of an inertial frame w.r.t the ether.

Einstein discovered the equations differently w/o anyether

Consequences & Examples

CONSEQUENCES:

- There is no universal time between frames
- Moving clocks appear to run slow, yet keep time as accurately as any other clock
- Objects moving at high speeds seem to contract along the direction of motion
- Objects seem to gain mass at high speeds

EXAMPLE: Person on trolley of length $2L$ in middle flicks on lantern. Trolley moving $v \text{ ms}^{-1}$

- In S' reference frame of person:

$$\text{time to reach } A' \text{ is } t'_a = \frac{L}{c} \text{ and } B' \text{ is } t'_b = \frac{L}{c} = T \text{ simultaneous}$$

- IN OUTSIDE S reference frame:

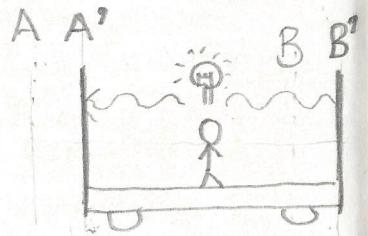
$$t_a = \gamma(t_a - \frac{vx_a}{c^2}) \text{ but } x_a = (\cancel{c}) = ct$$

$$t_a = \left(\gamma(T - \frac{vct}{c^2}) \right) = \gamma T \left(1 - \frac{v}{c} \right)$$

$$t_a = \sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{v}{c}\right)^2} T = \sqrt{\left(\frac{1-v}{c}\right)} T < T$$

For B , $v \text{ is } (-v) \Rightarrow t_b = \sqrt{\left(1 + \frac{v}{c}\right)} T > T$

NO LONGER SIMULTANEOUS



Length Contraction & Time Dilation

- We define rest length (L_0) as the length in an inertial frame where the object is at rest

- so to find its length, we suppose that both ends of the object are at the same time in that frame: $t' = \text{a constant}$ (note: $t \neq \text{constant}$)

- The body is at rest in S'

$$\text{so } L_0 = x_1'(t') - x_2'(t')$$

- IN the S reference frame we get

$$L = x_1(t_1) - x_2(t_2)$$

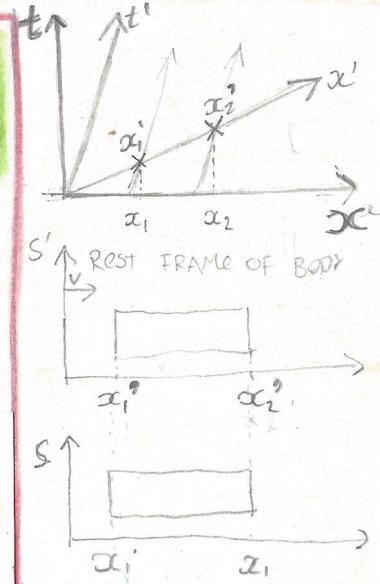
- Lorentz Transforming $L_0 = x_1'(t') - x_2'(t')$ we get

$$L_0 = \gamma(x_1 + vt) - \gamma(x_2 + vt)$$

$$L_0 = \gamma(x_1 - x_2)$$

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$$L_0 = \gamma L$$



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- Note that we must make a distinction:

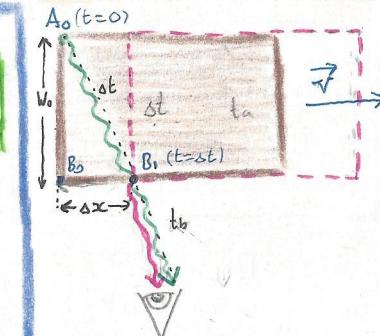
Observing: photons leave object simultaneously
Seeing: photons arrive at observer simultaneously

- this is because it takes time for photons to reach you
- For example, if we have a block as shown on the right travelling w/ velocity v . Looking at the photon that leaves the block at A_0 ($t=0$) it takes time to even reach the bottom side. by the time it does (at t_0) the block would have travelled a distance Δx .

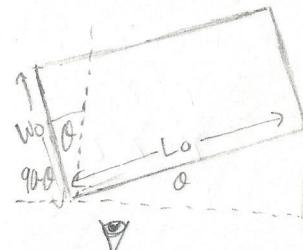
we say $\Delta t = \frac{w_0}{c}$ height of the block speed of light

then $\Delta x = v \Delta t = \frac{v w_0}{c}$

- A photon leaving the block at $t=0$ would have reached the observer for earlier than the one from A_0
- A photon leaving the block at $t = \Delta t$ from B_1 would arrive at the same time
- We also see the edge of the board contracted by $\frac{L_0}{\gamma}$



OBSERVE contracted block
SEE Rotated Block



Length Contraction vs Rotation. Time Dilation

- So due to the time delay, the observer sees two different effects:

I) The viewer sees a foreshortened/closer view of AB (the back of the block)

II) The viewer sees a contracted bottom of the block BC

$$A'B' = v \frac{w_0}{c}$$

$$B'C' = l_0 \sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}$$

- Now suppose the board was rotated by an angle θ as shown.

Then the projected lengths would be

$$AB = w_0 \cos(90^\circ - \theta) = w_0 \sin \theta$$

$$B'C' = l_0 \cos \theta$$

- If we let $\sin \theta = \frac{v}{c}$, we see that the situation becomes analogous, as $\cos \theta = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}$. We get $A'B' = w_0 \frac{v}{c}$ $B'C' = l_0 \sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}$ as before.

We call this phenomenon Terrell/Penrose Rotation & conclude:

- We OBSERVE that the board is contracted
- We SEE that the board is rotated

TIME DILATION

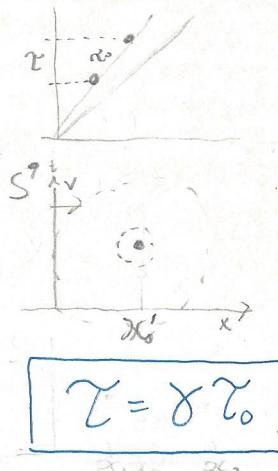
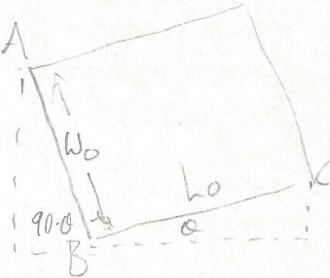
- Suppose we have an event occur in the same position in a reference frame S' moving at a velocity v w.r.t. S . The event occurs at times t'_1 and t'_2 .

We let $\gamma_0 = t'_2 - t'_1$ "PROPER TIME"

$$\text{Then: } \gamma = t_2 - t_1 = \gamma(t'_2 + \frac{vx'_1}{c}) - \gamma(t'_1 + \frac{vx'_1}{c})$$

$$\gamma = \gamma(t'_2 - t'_1) \text{ BUT } t'_2 - t'_1 = \gamma_0$$

$$\gamma = \gamma \gamma_0$$



$$\gamma = \gamma \gamma_0$$

TIME DILATION. - PROPER VS IMPROPER TIME

- Time dilation means that moving clocks run slow. This means

People appear to age more slowly

Applies to ANY clock = any periodically occurring event
e.g. Atomic clock, pendulum, mechanical clock...

1941 Rossi & Hall Experiment

observed muon decay as they went through atmosphere

number of muons given by $N(t) = N_0 e^{-\frac{t}{T_{1/2}}}$

normal decay rate of muons: 2.2×10^{-6} seconds

They measured number of muons at top of mountain & seabed

ON EARTH

$$\text{Distance} = D_0$$

$$\text{Life of muon} = \gamma = 8\gamma_0 >> \gamma_0$$

ON MESON

$$\text{Distance} = D = \frac{D_0}{8} \ll D_0$$

$$\text{Life of muon} = \gamma_0$$

THIS VERIFIED TIME DILATION

Note: we must make a distinction again:

PROPER TIME = Time between two events that occur at the same point
(single clock at rest in one frame)

IMPROPER TIME = Spatially separated clocks in the other frame

FOR OBSERVERS ON EARTH

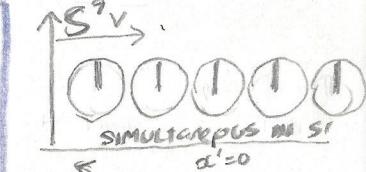
(N) muons/s

$$\gamma = 8\gamma_0 \quad D = D_0$$

!! muons decay more slowly
(N) muons/s

FOR OBSERVERS ON MUON

!! $D = \frac{D_0}{8}$
shorter distance



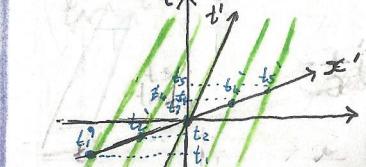
- We must make this distinction, because as we know, the Lorentz transform on time depends on position

$$t = \gamma(t' + \frac{vx'}{c^2})$$

- For example, suppose we have synchronized clocks in the S' reference frame that are evenly spaced out.

- In S , we get a progressive error we know $(x_1, t_1), \dots, (x_5, t_5)$ $t_1 = t_2 = \dots = t_5$

$$\text{BUT } t_1 \neq t_2 \neq \dots \neq t_5$$



DOPPLER EFFECT FOR LIGHT

Doppler Effect = phenomenon where the measured frequency f (or wavelength λ) is changed by relative motion of the source or the observer

Consider longitudinal case:

- relative motion along line joining source & observer

- 1st crest emitted at $t=0$

- 2nd crest emitted at $t=T$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \text{we know } f = \frac{1}{T} \text{ and } t' = \gamma(t - \frac{vt}{c^2})$$

we can relate x_1 and x_2 to the speed of light/the position of the photon & the position of the body

$$x_1 = ct_1 = x_0 + vt_1$$

$$x_2 = c(t_2 - T) = x_0 + vt_2$$

These give us that

$$ct_1 - vt_1 = x_0 \Rightarrow t_1 = \frac{x_0}{c-v}$$

$$ct_2 - vt_2 = x_0 + cT \Rightarrow t_2 = \frac{x_0 + cT}{c-v}$$

Taking the difference between the two:

$$t_2 - t_1 = \frac{cT}{c-v}$$

we can now LORENTZ TRANSFORM THIS:

$$\gamma(t_2' - vt_2') - \gamma(t_1' - vt_1') = \frac{cT}{c-v}$$

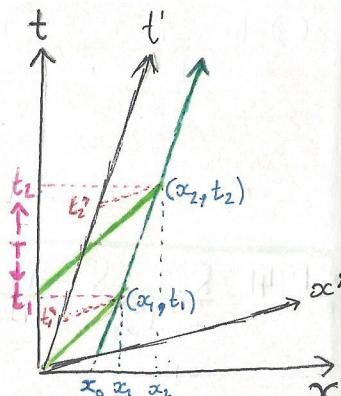
$$\Rightarrow \gamma(t_2' - t_1') = \frac{cT}{c-v} + \gamma\left(\frac{vx_2'}{c^2} - \frac{vx_1'}{c^2}\right)$$

But we assume the moving body is at rest in the S' reference frame $\Rightarrow x_2' = x_1'$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma(t_2' - t_1') = \frac{cT}{c-v} \cdot \frac{1}{8} = \frac{T}{1-\frac{v}{c}} \cdot \frac{1}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow t_2' - t_1' = \frac{T}{\sqrt{(1-\frac{v}{c})^2}} \cdot \sqrt{(1-\frac{v}{c})(1+\frac{v}{c})}$$

$$\Rightarrow T' = T_0 \sqrt{\frac{1+\frac{v}{c}}{1-\frac{v}{c}}}$$



We Get: (letting $\beta = \frac{v}{c}$)

$$T' = T_0 \sqrt{\frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta}}$$

$$\lambda' = \lambda \sqrt{\frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta}}$$

$$f' = f \sqrt{\frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta}}$$

$$\beta = \frac{(\lambda')^2 - 1}{(\lambda')^2 + 1}$$

IF $\beta \ll 1$ can also approximate

Note moving towards you, you would:

OBSERVE a clock moving slow SEE a clock moving fast

Redshift of far away GALAXIES

Hubble $V = H_0 d$
 $V = \text{velocity of galaxy}$
 $H_0 = \text{a constant}$
 $d = \text{distance from us}$

Redshift "z"

$$z = \frac{\lambda - \lambda_0}{\lambda_0} \Rightarrow (z+1)^2 = \frac{\beta+1}{\beta-1}$$

TRANSFORMATION OF VELOCITY

Suppose we have a body moving in S' . Let us confine motion to the xy plane for simplicity.

$$\text{we get (in } S'): \quad u_x' = \frac{dx'}{dt'} \quad \text{and} \quad u_y' = \frac{dy'}{dt'}$$

We know:

$$x = \gamma(x' + vt') \quad y = y' \quad t = \gamma(t' + \frac{vx'}{c^2})$$

we take the derivative of each w.r.t t'

$$\frac{dx}{dt'} = \gamma \left(\frac{dx'}{dt'} + v \frac{dt'}{dt'} \right) \quad \frac{dy}{dt'} = \frac{dy'}{dt'} \quad \frac{dt}{dt'} = \gamma \left(\frac{dt'}{dt'} + \frac{v}{c^2} \frac{dx'}{dt'} \right)$$

$$dx = \gamma(u_x' + v) dt' \quad dy = dy' \quad dt = \gamma(1 + \frac{v}{c^2} u_x) dt'$$

Using this, we can now get u_x and u_y

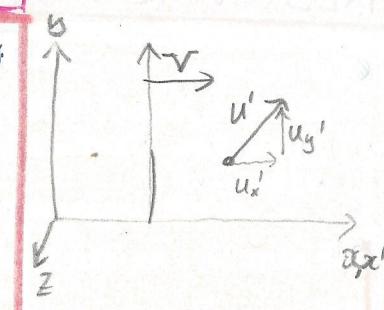
$$\frac{dx}{dt} = u_x = \frac{\gamma(u_x' + v)}{\gamma(1 + \frac{v u_x}{c^2})} = \frac{u_x' + v}{1 + \frac{v u_x}{c^2}}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = u_y = \frac{\gamma dy'}{\gamma(1 + \frac{v u_x}{c^2})} = \frac{u_y'}{1 + \frac{v u_x}{c^2}}$$

Ex: Rocket traveling at 0.5c launches missile at 0.5c

$$u_x = \frac{u_x' + v}{1 + \frac{v u_x}{c^2}} = \frac{0.5 + 0.5}{1 + (0.5)(0.5)} = \frac{1}{1.25} c = 0.8c$$

Ex: Photon traveling at c in S' : $u_x = \frac{v + c}{1 + \frac{v c}{c^2}} = \frac{v + c}{1 + \frac{v}{c}} = c \frac{v+c}{c+v} = c$
 • consistent w/ assumptions



$$u_x = \frac{u_x' + v}{1 + \frac{v u_x}{c^2}}$$

$$u_y = \frac{u_y'}{1 + \frac{v u_x}{c^2}}$$

$$0.5c \quad \quad \quad 0.5c$$

THE HEADLIGHT EFFECT

Suppose a source of light is travelling at velocity v in S' parallel to x relative to an observer in S

suppose it is a point source radiating uniformly in all directions in S'
 • what direction would a photon travel in S ?

use Lorentz transformation: $u_x = \frac{u_x' + v}{1 + \frac{v u_x}{c^2}}$
 BY SPLITTING PHOTON x & y components

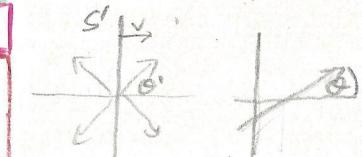
$$u_x = c \cos \theta \quad u_y = c \sin \theta$$

$$u_x' = c \cos \theta' \quad u_y' = c \sin \theta'$$

$$\Rightarrow c \cos \theta = \frac{c \cos \theta' + v}{1 + \frac{v \cos \theta'}{c^2}} \Rightarrow c \sin \theta = \frac{c \sin \theta' + v}{1 + \frac{v \cos \theta'}{c^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{\cos \theta' + v}{1 + \frac{v \cos \theta'}{c^2}}$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{\sin \theta'}{1 + \frac{v \cos \theta'}{c^2}}$$



$$\cos \theta = \frac{\cos \theta' + v}{1 + \frac{v \cos \theta'}{c^2}}$$

IF $\theta' \in (0^\circ, 90^\circ)$
 $\theta < \theta'$
 more concentrated beam

RELATIVISTIC DYNAMICS - MASS, Momentum

① IN NEWTONIAN MECHANICS: $F = \frac{dp}{dt}$, $p = mv$,

• IF mass is constant $F = ma$

this implies v can increase indefinitely = WRONG

$$\bullet KE = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

\Rightarrow INFINITE energy would give infinite velocity = WRONG

② To solve this, we need to assume mass depends on velocity

③ CONSIDER AN ELASTIC COLLISION BETWEEN 2 PARTICLES:

• Look at it from S and S' perspectives

• S' is moving at a speed $V \gg u_0$ w.r.t S

$$\text{IN } S: u_y' = \frac{u_y}{\gamma} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{BUT NO} \\ u_x \text{ EXISTS} \\ u_x = 0 \end{matrix} \quad \text{so } u_y' = \frac{u_y}{\gamma} = \boxed{\frac{u_0}{\gamma} = u_y'}$$

$$\text{IN } S': \text{ same but reversed: } \boxed{u_y' = \frac{u_0}{\gamma}}$$

④ This gives 2 possibilities for mass:

$$m_1 = m(u_0) \quad \text{or} \quad m_2 = m(\sqrt{v^2 + u_y'^2}) = mV$$

BY the conservation of momentum:

$$\text{IN } S: (\text{y axis momentum}) \quad m_{u_0} u_0 - m_y u_y' = -m(u_0 + m_V u_y')$$

$$2m_1 u_0 = 2m_2 u_y'$$

$$\frac{m_2}{m_1} = \frac{u_0}{u_y'} \quad \text{but } u_y' = \frac{u_0}{\gamma}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{m_2}{m_1} = \gamma} \quad \text{let}$$

$$\text{⑤ now let } u_0 \rightarrow 0: \text{ then } \boxed{m(u_0) = m(0) = M_0 \text{ (rest mass)}}$$

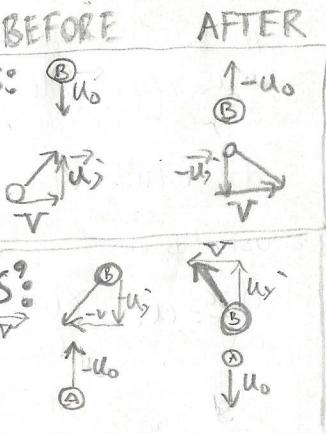
⑥ By letting $u_0 \rightarrow 0$, we get $V \rightarrow v$

$$\boxed{m(v) = \gamma M_0} \quad \text{which agrees w/ Newtonian when } \gamma \approx 1 \quad (v \ll c)$$

⑦ now to get momentum: $p = mv$

$$\boxed{p = \gamma m_0 v}$$

KINEMATICS	DYNAMICS
• Position	• Mass
• Time	• Momentum
• Velocity	• Force



RELATIVISTIC DYNAMICS - ENERGY

① Let us inspect this new measure for mass: by finding how much it increases at different velocities:

$$M = \gamma M_0 = \sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}$$

• the difference in mass between it at rest and at v is

$$\Delta m = m - M_0 = M_0(\gamma - 1)$$

• we can look at the binomial expansion of $\gamma = (1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2})^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ w/ $(1+x)^m = 1 + mx + \frac{m(m-1)x^2}{2!}$

$$\text{so } \gamma = 1 + \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{v^2}{c^2}\right) + \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{-3}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2!}\right)\left(\frac{v^4}{c^4}\right)$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{v^2}{c^2} + \frac{3}{8} \frac{v^4}{c^4} \dots$$

$$\text{so } (\gamma - 1) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{v^2}{c^2} + \frac{3}{8} \frac{v^4}{c^4} =$$

$$\Delta m = M_0 \left(\frac{1}{2} \frac{v^2}{c^2} + \frac{3}{8} \frac{v^4}{c^4} \right)$$

$$\Delta mc^2 = \frac{M_0 v^2}{2} \left[1 + \frac{3v^2}{4c^2} + \dots \right]$$

THIS PART LOOKS JUST LIKE NEWTONIAN KINETIC ENERGY

⑧ This hints that increasing the energy of the body increases its mass

⑨ Let's look at its energy:

$$E = \int \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{x}$$

To do this though, we would first need to look at its force:

$$F = \frac{dp}{dt} \vec{p}$$

Knowing that $p = \gamma m_0 v$

RELATIVISTIC DYNAMICS: FORCE ENERGY

$$\textcircled{1} F = \frac{dp}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \gamma m_0 v = m_0 \left(\frac{v}{c^2} \frac{d\gamma}{dt} + \gamma \frac{dv}{dt} \right)$$

so we find $\frac{d\gamma}{dt} = \frac{d}{dv} \left(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \frac{dv}{dt}$

$$= \frac{-1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2} \right)^{-\frac{3}{2}} \cdot \left(-\frac{2v}{c^2} \right) \cdot \frac{dv}{dt}$$

$$\frac{d\gamma}{dt} = \frac{\gamma^3 v}{c^2} \cdot \frac{dv}{dt}$$

so we get $F = m_0 \left(\frac{\gamma^3 v^2}{c^2} + 1 \right) \frac{dv}{dt} = m_0 \gamma \left(\frac{\gamma^2 v^2}{c^2} + 1 \right) \frac{dv}{dt}$

But: $\frac{\gamma^2 v^2}{c^2} + 1 = \frac{v^2}{c^2} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}} + 1 = \frac{v^2}{c^2 - v^2} + \frac{c^2 v^2}{c^2 - v^2} = \frac{c^2}{c^2 - v^2} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}} = \gamma^2$

And so, we get $\vec{F}_x = \gamma^3 m_0 \frac{dv}{dt}$ *

Now to get Kinetic Energy: $E = \int F dx$

$$E = \int \gamma^3 m_0 \frac{dv}{dt} dx \quad \text{BUT we know } \frac{d\gamma}{dt} = \frac{\gamma^3 v}{c^2} \cdot \frac{dv}{dt}$$

$$\Rightarrow E = \int \gamma^3 m_0 \cdot \frac{c^2}{\gamma^3 v} \frac{d\gamma}{dt} \cdot dx$$

$\Rightarrow \frac{d\gamma}{dt} = \frac{c^2}{\gamma^3 v} \cdot \frac{d\gamma}{dt}$
BUT $\frac{dx}{dt} = v$ so $\frac{dx}{v dt} = 1$

$$\Rightarrow E = \int_1^v m_0 c^2 d\gamma = \gamma m_0 c^2 - m_0 c^2$$

KINETIC ENERGY = $(\gamma - 1) m_0 c^2$ *

So, $KE = mc^2 - m_0 c^2$
 $\Rightarrow mc^2 = KE + m_0 c^2$

so we can call $m_0 c^2$ the rest mass energy.

TOTAL ENERGY = KINETIC ENERGY + REST MASS

- \Rightarrow Energy is conserved
- Energy has mass
- Mass is conserved (though not necessarily rest mass)
- Mass & energy are different physical quantities

$$\vec{F} = \gamma^3 m_0 \frac{dv}{dt}$$

$$\frac{d\gamma}{dt} = \frac{\gamma^3 v}{c^2} \cdot \frac{dv}{dt}$$

RELATIVISTIC DYNAMICS

So we know: $E = \gamma m_0 c^2$
 $p = \gamma m_0 v$

A useful relation we can find is

$$\begin{aligned} E^2 - p^2 c^2 &= \gamma^2 m_0^2 c^4 - \gamma^2 m_0^2 c^2 v^2 \\ &= \gamma^2 m_0^2 c^4 \left(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2} \right) \\ &= \cancel{\gamma^2 m_0^2 c^4} \left(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

so: $E^2 - p^2 c^2 = m_0^2 c^4$ An invariant

Both are same for all observers

PHOTON Momentum

Speed of light is c for all observers

since $m = \gamma m_0$
 $m_0 = m \left(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

using $E^2 - p^2 c^2 = m_0^2 c^4 = 0$, we get

we get $E^2 = p^2 c^2$
 $E = pc$

But $E = hf$

$$\begin{aligned} hf &= pc \\ h &= \frac{pc}{f} = p \lambda \end{aligned}$$

$$P = \frac{h}{\lambda}$$

$$E^2 - p^2 c^2 = m_0^2 c^4$$

AN INVARIANT ACROSS
REFERENCE FRAMES

BINARY STARS

- Suppose there are two stars m_1, m_2 orbiting around each other, w/ a tangential velocity v . we assume (for simplicity) $m_1 = m_2$. The total system is moving away from us with velocity V

We know that for hydrogen, there is a series of black bands at wavelengths that are readily absorbed by its electron shell when we disperse white light through it and disperse the emerging light.

For a binary system, these bands are split and slightly moved into the red (redshifted)

$$\lambda' = \sqrt{\frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta}} \lambda \approx (1+\beta)\lambda \quad \text{Redshift formula}$$

FOR Example: We know $\lambda_1 = 656.4 \text{ nm}$
- we read a maximum distance between the shifts when

$$\lambda_a = 656.72 \text{ nm} \quad \lambda_b = 656.86 \text{ nm}$$

$$V_{\min} = V - v = \left(\frac{\lambda_a}{\lambda_1} - 1 \right) c = 119 \text{ km s}^{-1} = V_{\min}$$

~~$V_{\max} = V + v$~~

$$V_{\max} = V + v = \left(\frac{\lambda_b}{\lambda_1} - 1 \right) c = 183 \text{ km s}^{-1} = V_{\max}$$

$$\frac{V_{\min} + V_{\max}}{2} = \frac{1}{2} (V - v + V + v) = V = 151 \text{ km s}^{-1} = V$$

$$32 \text{ km s}^{-1} = V$$

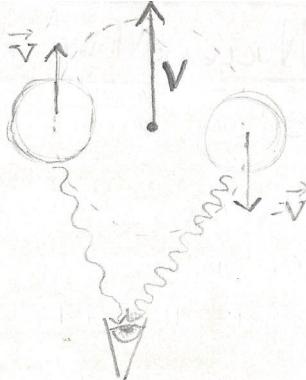
However, we also know the period of rotation, T
suppose it is $1 \text{ year} \approx 1 \times 10^8 \text{ s}$

then: Each star travels a distance $2\pi r$ in a time T

$$\frac{2\pi r}{T} = v \Rightarrow r = 1.6 \times 10^{11} \text{ m}$$

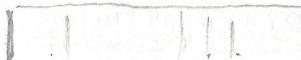
Now, we can use GRAVITATIONAL FORCE = CENTRIPETAL FORCE to find that:

$$\frac{GMm}{r^2} = \frac{mv^2}{r} \Rightarrow m = \frac{v^2 r}{GM} = 2.48 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg}$$



THE LADDER PARADOX

NORMAL HYDROGEN SPECTRUM



FOR BINARY STAR SYSTEM
depending on the star location
at the time:



When moving Perpendicularly to us



When moving as shown above

ELASTIC SCATTERING OF IDENTICAL PARTICLES

Suppose we have a head-on collision between a particle m_1 w/ initial speed u_i and a particle m_2 at rest.

FIRST CONSIDER IT UNDER Newtonian Mechanics:

By the conservation of momentum:

$$m_i \vec{u}_i = m_1 \vec{v}_1 + m_2 \vec{v}_2 \quad \text{but as } m_1 = m_2 \\ \vec{u}_i = \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2$$

By the conservation of Energy:

$$\frac{1}{2} m u_i^2 = \frac{1}{2} m v_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} m v_2^2$$

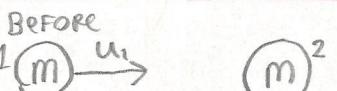
$$u_i^2 = v_1^2 + v_2^2 \quad \text{But} \quad \vec{u}_i = \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2$$

$$\Rightarrow (v_1 + v_2)^2 = v_1^2 + 2\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2 + v_2^2 = v_1^2 + v_2^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2 = 0$$

This means that $|v_1| \cdot |v_2| \cos \theta = 0$

which means either (a) $\cos \theta = 0 \Rightarrow \theta = 90^\circ$ OR
 (b) $v_1 = 0 \Rightarrow v_2 = u_i$



AFTER
2 POSSIBILITIES:

CASE I:

CASE II:
 $\theta = 90^\circ$

$\Rightarrow v_1 = v_2 \rightarrow$
 conserve momentum
 along the y axis

ELASTIC SCATTERING OF IDENTICAL PARTICLES

Let us consider the scattering case under Relativistic scattering

① Conservation of Energy: $E_i + E_0 = 2E_2 \Rightarrow E_2 = \frac{E_i + E_0}{2}$

② Conservation of Momentum: $p_i = 2p_2 \cos(\frac{\theta}{2})$

③ We introduce Kinetic Energy: $E_i = E_0 + k_i$

④ THIS AND THE INVARIANT: ARE SUFFICIENT
 $E^2 - p^2 c^2 = E_0 \Rightarrow p^2 c^2 = E^2 - E_0^2$

⑤ WE BEGIN BY LOOKING AT THE INVARIANT BEFORE:

$$p_i^2 c^2 = E_i^2 - E_0^2 = (E_0 + k_i)^2 - E_0^2 =$$

$$(2p_2 \cos(\frac{\theta}{2}))^2 c^2 = (E_0^2 + 2k_i E_0 + k_i^2) - E_0^2$$

$$+ p_2^2 \cos^2(\frac{\theta}{2}) c^2 = k_i (2E_0 + k_i) \quad (\text{a})$$

⑥ WE NOW LOOK AT THE INVARIANT AFTER:

$$p_2^2 c^2 = E_2^2 - E_0^2 = \left(\frac{E_i + E_0}{2}\right)^2 - E_0^2 = \left(\frac{E_0 + k_i + E_0}{2}\right)^2 - E_0^2$$

$$p_2^2 c^2 = \left(\frac{E_0^2 + k_i^2}{4}\right) - E_0^2 = \left(E_0^2 + k_i E_0 + \frac{k_i^2}{4}\right) - E_0^2$$

$$p_2^2 c^2 = \frac{k_i}{4} (4E_0 + k_i) \quad (\text{b})$$

⑦ WE NOW DEVIDE EQUATION A BY B

$$\frac{p_2^2 \cos^2(\frac{\theta}{2}) c^2}{p_2^2 c^2} = \frac{k_i (2E_0 + k_i)}{\frac{k_i}{4} (4E_0 + k_i)}$$

$$\cos^2(\frac{\theta}{2}) = \frac{2E_0 + k_i}{4E_0 + k_i} \quad \text{BUT } \cos^2 \theta = \frac{1}{2} (\cos(2\theta) + 1) \\ \Rightarrow \cos^2(\frac{\theta}{2}) = \frac{1}{2} (\cos \theta + 1)$$

$$\frac{(\cos \theta + 1)}{2} = \frac{2E_0 + k_i}{4E_0 + k_i}$$

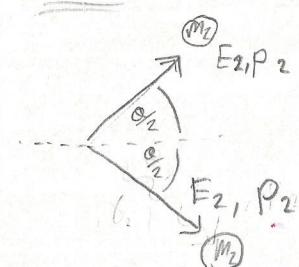
$$\cos \theta = \frac{4E_0 + k_i}{4E_0 + k_i} - 1 = \frac{4E_0 + 2k_i}{4E_0 + k_i} - \frac{4E_0 + k_i}{4E_0 + k_i}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{k_i}{4E_0 + k_i}$$

BEFORE



AFTER



$$\cos \theta = \frac{k_i}{4E_0 + k_i}$$

COMPTON SCATTERING Nobel Prize 1927

Suppose we have a collision of a photon with a free electron (nearly free, e.g. loosely bound to atom)

The collision is elastic, but energy is transferred from the photon γ to the electron e

Thus the electron could have lower E / longer λ afterwards

suppose that initially: the photon has energy E_1 and momentum p_1 , the electron has energy E_0 , mass m_0 , momentum 0

Suppose that afterwards, the photon has energy E_2 and momentum p_2 , the electron has energy E momentum p

By conservation of Energy:

$$E_1 + E_0 = E + E_2 \\ \Rightarrow E_1 + mc^2 = E + E_2$$

By conservation of momentum:

$$\vec{p}_1 = \vec{p}_2 + \vec{p}$$

but $|p_1| = \frac{E_1}{c} \Rightarrow \vec{p}_1 = \frac{E_1}{c} \hat{n}_1$

$|p_2| = \frac{E_2}{c} \Rightarrow \vec{p}_2 = \frac{E_2}{c} \hat{n}_2$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{E_1}{c} \hat{n}_1 = \frac{E_2}{c} \hat{n}_2 + \vec{p}$$

Using the invariant $E^2 - (pc)^2 = E_0^2$:

$E = E_0 + KE$. but $KE = \Delta E = E_2 - E_1$

$\vec{p} = \vec{p}_2 - \vec{p}_1 = \frac{E_1}{c} \hat{n}_1 - \frac{E_2}{c} \hat{n}_2$

$$\Rightarrow E^2 - pc^2 = (E_0 + E_2 - E_1)^2 \left[\frac{E_1}{c} \hat{n}_1 + \frac{E_2}{c} \hat{n}_2 \right]^2 c^2 = E_0^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (E_0^2 + E_0 E_2 - E_0 E_1 + E_0 E_2 + E_2^2 - E_2 E_1 - E_0 E_1 + E_2 E_1)^2 = E_0^2$$

$$\Rightarrow E_0^2 + E_1^2 + E_2^2 + 2E_0(E_2 - E_1) - 2E_1 E_2 = E_1^2 + E_2^2 + E_1 E_2 (\hat{n}_1 \cdot \hat{n}_2) = E_0^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2E_0(E_2 - E_1) = 2E_1 E_2 (1 - \cos \theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{E_2 - E_1}{E_2 E_1} = \frac{1}{E_2} - \frac{1}{E_1} = \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{mc^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow * \quad \lambda_2 - \lambda_1 = \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{mc^2} h$$

BEFORE:

γ_{ray} mind... m
 E_1, p_1 $E_0, 0$

AFTER:

E, p
 E_2, p_2

LORENTZ TRANSFORMATION of γ , Energy, Momentum

Suppose we have a body moving relative to S and S'

We know in S :

$$E = \gamma_u m_0 c^2 \\ p = \gamma_u m_0 u \\ \beta = \frac{u}{c} \\ \rightarrow p_{ox} = \gamma_u m_0 u_x \\ p_{oy} = \gamma_u m_0 u_y$$

We know in S' :

$$E' = \gamma_{u'} m_0 c^2 \\ p' = \gamma_{u'} m_0 u' \\ \beta' = \frac{u'}{c} \\ \rightarrow p'_{ox} = \gamma_{u'} m_0 u'_x \\ p'_{oy} = \gamma_{u'} m_0 u'_y$$

We also know how to transform Velocities:

$$u'_{ox} = \frac{u_{ox} - v}{1 - \frac{u_{ox}v}{c^2}} \Rightarrow \beta'_{ox} = \frac{\beta_{ox} - \beta_v}{1 - \beta_{ox}\beta_v} \\ u'_{oy} = \frac{u_{oy}}{1 - \frac{u_{ox}v}{c^2}} \Rightarrow \beta'_{oy} = \frac{\beta_{oy}}{1 - \beta_{ox}\beta_v}$$

We use this to Lorentz transform γ_u back from S' to S

$$\gamma_u = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{(u')^2}{c^2}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{(\beta'_{ox}^2 + \beta'_{oy}^2)}{c^2}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \beta_{ox}^2 - \beta_{oy}^2}}$$

Now L.T. velocity

$$\gamma_u = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{\beta_{ox} - \beta_v}{1 - \beta_{ox}\beta_v} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{\beta_{oy} - \beta_v}{1 + \beta_{ox}\beta_v} \right)^2}}$$

$$\gamma_u = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(1 - 2\beta_{ox}\beta_v + \beta_{ox}^2\beta_v^2) - (\beta_{ox}^2 - 2\beta_{ox}\beta_v + \beta_v^2) - (\beta_{oy}/\beta_v)^2}} \\ (1 + \beta_{ox}\beta_v)^2$$

$$\gamma_u = (1 - \beta_{ox}\beta_v) \sqrt{1 + \beta_{ox}^2\beta_v^2 - \beta_{ox}^2 - \beta_v^2 - \beta_{oy}^2(1 - \beta_v^2)}$$

$$\gamma_u = (1 - \beta_{ox}\beta_v) \sqrt{(1 - \beta_v^2) - \beta_{ox}^2(1 - \beta_v^2) - \beta_v^2(1 - \beta_v^2)}$$

$$\gamma_u = (1 - \beta_{ox}\beta_v) \gamma_v \gamma_u$$

We now can use this in our energy formula

$$E' = \gamma_{u'} m_0 c^2 = (\gamma_v \gamma_u (1 - \beta_{ox}\beta_v) m_0 c^2) \\ = \gamma_v (\gamma_u m_0 c^2 - \gamma_u m_0 c^2 \frac{u_x \cdot v}{c^2}) \\ E' = \gamma_v (E - p_{ox}v)$$

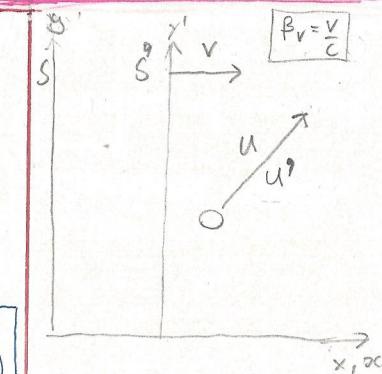
We can also transform momentum:

$$p'_{ox} = \gamma_{u'} m_0 u'_x = \gamma_v \gamma_u m_0 \left(1 - \frac{u_x v}{c^2} \right) \left(\frac{u_x v}{1 - u_x v} \right) \\ = \gamma_v \left(\gamma_u m_0 u_x - \gamma_u m_0 c^2 v \right)$$

$$p'_{ox} = \gamma_v \left(p_{ox} - \frac{Ev}{c^2} \right)$$

$$p'_{oy} = \gamma_{u'} m_0 u'_y = \gamma_v \left(\gamma_u m_0 \left(1 - \frac{u_x v}{c^2} \right) \left(\frac{u_y v}{1 - u_x v} \right) \right)$$

$$p'_{oy} = p_{oy}$$



$$\gamma_u = \gamma_v \gamma_u \left(1 - \frac{v u_x}{c^2} \right)$$

$$E' = \gamma_v (E - p_{ox}v)$$

$$p'_{ox} = \gamma_v \left(p_{ox} - \frac{Ev}{c^2} \right)$$

$$p'_{oy} = p_{oy}$$

Lorentz Transformation of Force

we know in S: $F = \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}$ where $\vec{p} = m\vec{u}$
 OTHIS means in S': $F' = \frac{d\vec{p}'}{dt'}$ where $\vec{p}' = m'\vec{u}'$

However, we also know:
 $P_{x'} = \gamma(p_x - \frac{vE}{c^2})$
 $P_y' = p_y$
 $P_z' = p_z$
 $t' = t - \frac{vx}{c^2}$

Therefore we can use these to find:

$$F' = \frac{d\vec{p}'}{dt'} = \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} \cdot \frac{dt}{dt'} = \frac{\left(\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}\right)}{\left(\frac{dt'}{dt}\right)}$$

So we differentiate each of the above w.r.t t (assume γ is constant, $v = \text{constant}$)

$$\frac{dp_{x'}}{dt} = \gamma \left(\frac{dp_x}{dt} - \frac{v}{c^2} \frac{dE}{dt} \right)$$

$$\frac{dt'}{dt} = \gamma \left(\frac{dt}{dt} - \frac{v}{c^2} \frac{dx}{dt} \right)$$

$$\frac{dp_y}{dt'} = \frac{dp_y}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dp_z}{dt'} = \frac{dp_z}{dt}$$

We find $F_{x'}$:

$$F_{x'} = \frac{\gamma \left(\frac{dp_x}{dt} - \frac{v}{c^2} \frac{dE}{dt} \right)}{\gamma \left(1 - \frac{v}{c^2} \frac{dx}{dt} \right)} = \frac{F - \frac{v}{c^2} \frac{dE}{dt}}{1 - \frac{vux}{c^2}}$$

Now we just need to handle the $\frac{dE}{dt}$.
 - we look at the invariant equation and take derivative w.r.t t

$$E^2 - p^2 c^2 = E_0^2 \Rightarrow E^2 = p^2 c^2 + E_0^2$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(E^2) = \frac{d}{dt}(c^2(\vec{p} \cdot \vec{p})) + \frac{d}{dt}(E_0)^2 = 0$$

$$2E \frac{dE}{dt} = 2c^2 \left(\vec{p} \cdot \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} \right) = 2c^2 \vec{p} \cdot \vec{F}$$

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = \frac{2c^2 \vec{p} \cdot \vec{F}}{2mc^2} = \frac{\vec{p} \cdot \vec{F}}{m} = \vec{u} \cdot \vec{F}$$

We get $\frac{dE}{dt} = \vec{u} \cdot \vec{F}$

returning back to the equations of force, we get:

$$F_x' = \frac{F_x - \frac{v}{c^2} F \cdot \vec{u}}{1 - \frac{vux}{c^2}}$$

$$F_y' = \frac{F_y}{\gamma(1 - \frac{vux}{c^2})}$$

$$F_z' = \frac{F_z}{\gamma(1 - \frac{vux}{c^2})}$$

GENERAL Hints for Problem Solving

① Conservation of Mass-Energy

The total mass-energy is always conserved.

Add up $E = \gamma m_0 c^2$ for all the particles and it will be the same before & afterwards

② Conservation of Momentum

Momentum is also conserved along each axis.

remember that this is $\vec{p} = \gamma m_0 \vec{v}$

③ INVARIANCE OF $E^2 - p^2 c^2$

remember that $E^2 - p^2 c^2 = m_0 c^2$ is the same in all reference frames

Applies to whole system as well as each individual particles

④ The centre of Momentum frame

You can always find a frame in which the total momentum is zero

SPECIAL RELATIVITY, ELECTRICITY & MAGNETISM

④ Coulomb's Law: where q_1 = source charge
 q_2 = test charge
 $\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F m}^{-1}$
 $k = 1/4\pi\epsilon_0$

F = force on q_2

④ Holds as long as q_1 is stationary

④ magnetic field is generated by a moving charge
 (e.g. a current in a wire)

$F_{\text{mag}} = q\vec{u} \times \vec{B}$ \vec{B} = magnetic field
 ④ Defines B (magnetic field)

④ Maxwell's Equations (1864 A.D.)

• Defined relations between E and B for stationary and moving charges

• Developed BEFORE SPECIAL RELATIVITY BUT

④ CORRECT as $\nabla \times C$

④ Describes E.M. phenomena in ANY inertial frame

④ Einstein:

"what led me more or less directly to the special theory of relativity was the conviction that the electromagnetic force acting on a body moving in a magnetic field was nothing else than an electric field"

④ Suppose we have a charge q_1 moving relative to a charge q_2 \perp to their displacement

④ CONSIDER 2 REFERENCE FRAMES, S' and S :

④ In S : q_2 is at rest
 at time $t=0$:
 q_2 is at $(0, y, 0)$

④ In S' : q_1 is at rest
 at time $t'=0$:
 q_2 is at $(0, y', 0)$

④ In S' , the source charge q_1 is at rest so
 we can use coulomb's law: $\vec{F}_y' = \frac{kq_1q_2}{y'^2}$
 $\vec{F}_x' = \vec{F}_z' = 0$

④ We can now transform this to S :

$\vec{F}_y = \frac{\vec{F}_y'}{\gamma(1 + \frac{v u_x}{c^2})} \xrightarrow{u_x = v} \frac{\vec{F}_y'}{\gamma(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2})} = \gamma \vec{F}_y'$
 so we get coulomb's law modified
 FOR A MOVING CHARGE: $\vec{F}_y = \frac{\gamma k q_1 q_2}{y^2}$

④ Now suppose we have the same two charges both relatively at rest

④ We shall consider the reference frames S and S' again.

④ In S : q_1 moving at v
 q_2 moving at v

④ In S : q_1 at rest
 q_2 at rest $u_x = 0$

④ We know in S the force from coulomb's law:

$$\vec{F}_{y'} = \frac{kq_1q_2}{y'^2} \xrightarrow{\text{L.T.}} F_y = \frac{F_{y'}}{\gamma} = \frac{1}{\gamma} \left(1 + \frac{v^2}{c^2}\right)^{-1}$$

$$F_y = \frac{F_{y'}}{\gamma} = \frac{1}{\gamma} \frac{kq_1q_2}{y^2}$$

④ This means we have an EXTRA FORCE on q_2 DUE TO its velocity in S : (the magnetic force)

$$F_{\text{mag}} = \frac{kq_1q_2}{y^2} \left(\frac{1}{\gamma} - 1 \right) = \frac{kq_1q_2}{y^2} \gamma \left(\frac{1}{\gamma^2} - 1 \right)$$

BUT $\frac{1}{\gamma^2} - 1 = 1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2} - 1 = -\frac{v^2}{c^2}$

$$\Rightarrow F_{\text{mag}} = -\frac{v^2}{c^2} \gamma \frac{kq_1q_2}{y^2} = -\frac{v^2}{c^2} F_{\text{elec}}$$

