

FORMULAE

SPECIAL RELATIVITY

Classical Velocity Addition: $u = u' + v$

Galilean Transformation: $x' = x - vt$,

$$y' = y, \quad z' = z, \quad t' = t.$$

(Exchange primes, $v \rightarrow -v$ for inverse transform)

Time Dilation: $\Delta t = \gamma \Delta t_0$, $\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\beta^2}}$, $\beta = v/c$

$\Delta t_0 \rightarrow$ Proper time interval.

Length Contraction: $l = \frac{l_0}{\gamma} = \sqrt{1-(v/c)^2} l_0$

Lorentz Transformation: $x' = \gamma(x - vt)$,

$$t' = \gamma(t - \frac{v}{c^2}x), \quad y = y', \quad z = z'.$$

Relativistic Velocity Addition:

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

$$u_y = \frac{u_y'}{\gamma(1 + \frac{v}{c^2} u_x')}, \quad u_z = \frac{u_z'}{\gamma(1 + \frac{v}{c^2} u_x')}$$

Doppler Shift:

$$\nu_{\text{obs}} = \sqrt{\frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta}} \nu_s$$

(receding)

$$\nu_{\text{obs}} = \sqrt{\frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta}} \nu_s$$

(approaching)

$$\nu = c/\lambda$$

Inertial and Gravitational Mass: $F = ma$, $W = m'g$, $g = \frac{G M_E}{r_E^2}$.

$$m = m', \quad \vec{F}' = \vec{F} - m \vec{A}$$

Momentum in Relativity: $p = m_0 \frac{dx}{dt_0}$

$m_0 \rightarrow$ mass in rest frame, $t_0 \rightarrow$ proper time

$$p = (m_0 \gamma) \frac{dx}{dt} = m \frac{dx}{dt} = \gamma m_0 v$$

$$m = \gamma m_0 = \frac{m_0}{\sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}}$$

Schwarzschild
Radius: $R_s = \frac{2GM}{c^2}$

Gravitational
Redshift: $\frac{\Delta \nu}{\nu} = -\frac{GM}{Rc^2}$
& $\frac{\Delta \lambda}{\lambda} = \frac{GM}{Rc^2}$

Force in Relativity: $F = \frac{d(p)}{dt} = \frac{d(mv)}{dt}$

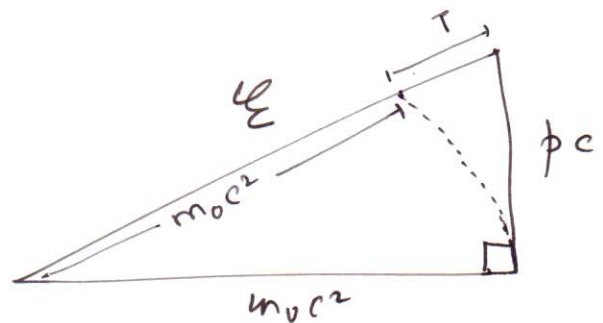
Kinetic Energy: $T = \frac{m_0 c^2}{\sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}} - m_0 c^2 = (\gamma - 1) m_0 c^2$

Total Energy: $\mathcal{E} = mc^2 = T + m_0 c^2 = \gamma m_0 c^2$

Rest Energy: $m_0 c^2$

$$\mathcal{E}^2 = (pc)^2 + (m_0 c^2)^2$$

Pythagorean relation



$$\beta = \frac{v}{c} = \frac{pc}{\mathcal{E}} \quad (\text{when } m_0 = 0, \mathcal{E} = pc)$$

$$\therefore \beta = 1 \quad \text{when } m_0 = 0 \Rightarrow v = c$$