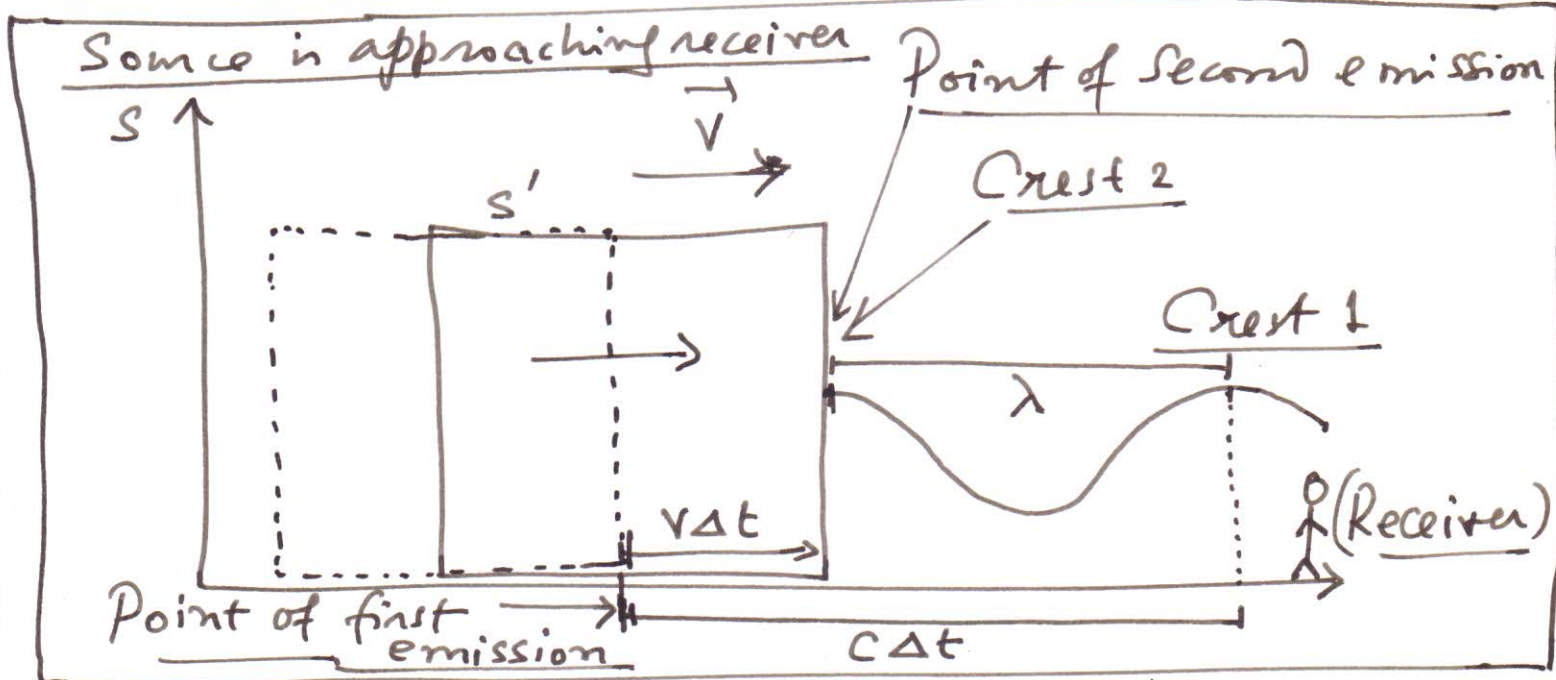


SPECIAL TOPIC : DOPPLER EFFECT OF LIGHT.

DOPPLER EFFECT : The frequency of a wave changes (sound waves) if either the source or the receiver is in motion. (Christian Doppler)

For light, we have to consider:

1. Relativistic effects and time dilation.
2. Relative motion ONLY between source and receiver because c is universally fixed.



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Δt is the time between two successive emissions as seen from the static frame S .

$$\lambda = c \Delta t - v \Delta t$$

If $v \neq 0$, λ is reduced \Rightarrow The waves are squeezed up.

The waves propagate with a speed c (always) \rightarrow Einstein's postulate.

\Rightarrow Observed frequency in frame S ,

$$\nu_{\text{obs}} = \frac{c}{\lambda} = \frac{c}{(c - v) \Delta t}$$

$$\Rightarrow \nu_{\text{obs}} = \frac{1}{(1 - \beta) \Delta t} \quad \text{where } \beta = v/c.$$

In frame S' , the time measured between two successive emissions is $\Delta t'$.

This is the proper time. (Two events occurred at the same ~~place~~ position)

Time dilation $\Delta t = \gamma \Delta t'$

$$\Rightarrow \nu_{\text{obs}} = \frac{1}{(1 - \beta) \gamma \Delta t'} \quad \left[\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \text{The front} \\ \text{part of } S' \end{array} \right]$$

-53- (time between successive crests)

$\Delta t'$ is also the time period, of the emission from the source.

$$\therefore \boxed{\Delta t' = \frac{1}{\nu_s}} \quad \text{and} \quad \boxed{\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\beta^2}}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \nu_{obs} = \frac{1}{(1-\beta)\gamma\Delta t'} = \frac{1}{(1-\beta)} \sqrt{1-\beta^2} \cdot \nu_s$$

$$\Rightarrow \nu_{obs} = \sqrt{\frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta}} \nu_s \quad \text{for source approaching receiver.}$$

Frequency increases

$\therefore 1-\beta^2 = (1+\beta)(1-\beta)$

For source receding from receiver,

$$\boxed{v \rightarrow -v} \quad \text{and} \quad \boxed{\beta \rightarrow -\beta}$$

$$\therefore \nu_{obs} = \sqrt{\frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta}} \nu_s \quad \text{Frequency decreases}$$

Application: Hubble's law (Expanding Universe)

$$\frac{\nu_s}{\nu_{obs}} = \sqrt{\frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta}} = \sqrt{(1+\beta)(1-\beta)^{-1}} \approx \sqrt{(1+\beta)^2}$$

$[\beta \ll 1 \quad (v \ll c)]$

$$\text{Also } \frac{\nu_s}{\nu_{obs}} = \frac{\lambda_{obs}}{\lambda_s} \approx 1+\beta \Rightarrow \frac{\lambda_{obs} - \lambda_s}{\lambda_s} \approx \frac{v}{c}$$

Redshift

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\Delta \lambda}{\lambda_s} \approx \frac{v}{c}$$

Hubble constant

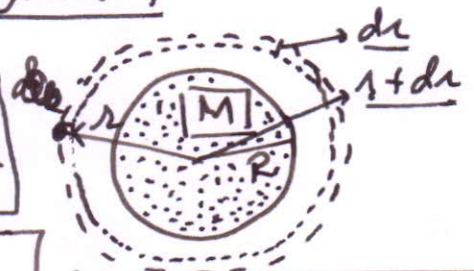
$v = H_0 d \rightarrow$ Hubble's law of recession of galaxies.

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Alternative

Gravitational Redshift : Derivation

Work done to travel, by ^{against gravity}
a displacement dr $\Rightarrow \frac{dW}{dr} = -\frac{GMm}{r^2} dr$



$$\Rightarrow \int -\frac{GM}{r^2} \left(\frac{h\nu}{c^2} \right) dr = h(\nu + d\nu) - h\nu$$

$\therefore m = \frac{h\nu}{c^2}$
photon "effective" mass.

$$\Rightarrow \left[-\frac{GM}{c^2} \frac{dr}{r^2} = \frac{d\nu}{\nu} \right] \quad \text{Not a Quantum effect (h cancels)}$$

Now $[\nu = c\lambda^{-1}] \Rightarrow d\nu = -c\lambda^{-2} d\lambda$

$$\therefore \frac{d\nu}{\nu} = -\frac{c d\lambda}{\lambda(\lambda\nu)} \Rightarrow \left[\frac{d\nu}{\nu} = -\frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} \right]$$

Hence, $+\frac{GM}{c^2} \int_R^r \frac{dr}{r^2} = + \int_{\lambda}^{\lambda+\Delta\lambda} \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda}$ | Wavelength increases

$$\Rightarrow \bullet \frac{GM}{c^2} \left[-\frac{1}{r} \right]_R^r = \ln \lambda \Big|_{\lambda}^{\lambda+\Delta\lambda}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{GM}{c^2} \left(\frac{1}{R} - \frac{1}{r} \right) = \ln \left(\frac{\lambda + \Delta\lambda}{\lambda} \right) = \ln \left(1 + \frac{\Delta\lambda}{\lambda} \right)$$

When $r \gg R$ and $\Delta\lambda \ll \lambda$ (small shift)

Far away
when
gravity is
weak.

$$\frac{GM}{Rc^2} \approx \frac{\Delta\lambda}{\lambda}$$

$$\therefore \ln(1+x) = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} \dots$$

$\approx x$
when $x \ll 1$

Gravitational Red shift.