

Science I -
Assignment 1

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① Let's consider the scenario described in the question, where frame S_0 is moving with speed v along the positive x axis of frame S .

In frame S , let an event occur at point $P(x, y, z)$ and in frame S_0 , let the same event occur at point $P_0(x', y', z', t')$. The coordinates are measured at the same time in both frames, $t = t_0 = 0$.

We take the transformation relating two events.

$$x' = Ax + Bt, \quad A, B \text{ are some constants.}$$

$$y' = y$$

$$z' = z$$

$$t' = Cx + Dt \quad C, D - \text{constants.}$$

Without violating Einstein's 1st postulates, we know which describes in all inertial frame laws of physics have same form, we can take linear transformation.

Consider $S \equiv (x=0, t)$ and $S' \equiv (x' = -vt, t')$

From earlier equation, on comparing coefficients,

$$-vt' = Bt, \quad t' = Dt$$

$$-vDt = Bt$$

$$\boxed{B = -vD}$$

Same we can do from S' frame,

then $S \equiv (x=vt, t)$ and $S' \equiv (x'=0, t')$

From earlier equations,

$$\begin{cases} Av + Bt = 0 & \text{--- (i)} \\ Cv + D = t' & \text{--- (ii)} \end{cases}$$

gives $Av + B = 0$ and $D = A$.

Now acc to question let, say there is an isotropic light pulse is emitted from origin $t=t'=0$.

The pulse is observed along x axis.

let $S \equiv (x=ct, t)$ and $S' \equiv (x'=ct', t')$ where c is speed of light.

Substituting the x coordinates in transformation equation

$$|ct' = Act + Bt|$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{t'}{t} = \frac{Ac + B}{vC} \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

and $t' = (Cc + D)t$.

$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{t'}{t} = cC + D \right| \quad \text{--- (ii)} \quad \begin{array}{l} c - \text{speed of light} \\ C - \text{coefficient} \end{array}$$

using the above (i) equation, $ct' = Act + Bt$
 $= Act - vDt$
 $= Act - vAt \quad \text{--- (iv)}$

$$\text{and } ct' = c^2t + ctA \quad \text{--- (v)}$$

Replacing v with c and equating above (ii), $C = \left(\frac{-v}{c^2} \right) A \quad \text{--- (vi)}$

Find

Now let the light pulse observed along the y axis.
 $S(x=0, y=ct, t)$ and $S'(x=-vt, y'=\sqrt{c^2t'^2 - v^2t'^2}, t')$

From the initial transformation, $y = y'$

$$\Rightarrow ct = \sqrt{c^2t'^2 - v^2t'^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{c^2t^2 = (c^2 - v^2)t'^2}$$

We can also express $\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}}$

After substitution, $x' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}} (x - vt)$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} y = y' \\ z = z' \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{No motion} \\ \text{No change} \end{array}$$

$$t' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}} \left(t - \frac{vx}{c^2} \right)$$

$$\text{taking } \gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}} \left\{ \text{Lorentz constant} \right\}$$

On following the 1st postulate, the laws of physics are same in all inertial frame. Hence

$$x' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}}$$

$$y' = y, z = z'$$

$$\text{and } t' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}} \left(t - \frac{v}{c^2} x \right)$$

Ans.

(2)

Given
$$\begin{pmatrix} t' \\ x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cosh \phi & \sinh \phi & 0 & 0 \\ \sinh \phi & \cosh \phi & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} t \\ x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$$

From given data the equation we get are,

$$ct' = ct \cosh \phi + x \sinh \phi \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$x' = ct \sinh \phi + x \cosh \phi \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$y' = y \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$z' = z \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

We can use space time interval invariance,

$$t^2 - x^2 - y^2 - z^2 = t'^2 - x'^2 - y'^2 - z'^2.$$

using above, $|ct^2 - x^2 - y^2 - z^2 = ct'^2 - x'^2 - y'^2 - z'^2|$

using give eq. above, $|ct^2 - x^2 - (ct'^2 - x'^2) = 0| \quad \text{--- (5)}$

taking square (1) and (2) and adding both, we will get.

$$\begin{aligned} ct'^2 &= c^2 t^2 \cosh^2 \phi + x^2 \sinh^2 \phi + 2xct \sinh \phi \cosh \phi \\ x'^2 &= c^2 t^2 \sinh^2 \phi + x^2 \cosh^2 \phi + 2xct \sinh \phi \cosh \phi \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow |ct'^2 - x'^2 = c^2 t^2 - x^2| \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Given} \\ \cosh^2 \phi - \sinh^2 \phi = 1 \end{array} \right\} \text{Adding,} \quad \text{--- eq. (6)}$$

From eq. 5, $\boxed{ct'^2 - x'^2 = ct^2 - x^2}$, which one is correct.

And hence the matrix given in the question represents a Lorentz Transformation.

(3). d.

Given $x = 10 \text{ km}$, $y = 5 \text{ km}$, $z = 2 \text{ km}$ $t = 2 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ s}$.

(a) S' is moving with speed $0.9c$, in $-x$ direction.
And hence $v = -0.9c$.

$$\gamma (\text{Lorentz constant}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{0.9c}{c}\right)^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (0.9)^2}} = 2.294$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} y' = y \\ z' = z \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{No Changing} \\ \text{No motion} \end{array}$$

$$x' = \frac{1}{\gamma} (x - vt)$$

$$= 2.294 (10000 - (-0.9c) \times (2 \cdot 10^{-3}))$$

$$\boxed{x' = 1261.17 \text{ km.}}$$

and

$$\text{and } t' = \gamma \left(t - \frac{vx}{c^2} \right)$$

$$= 2.294 \left(2 \cdot 10^{-3} - \left(- \frac{0.9c}{c^2} \cdot 10^4 \right) \right)$$

$$= 2.294 \left(2 \times 10^{-3} - \left(- \frac{0.9}{c} \times 10^4 \right) \right)$$

$$= 4.65 \text{ ms.}$$

3.6) For the frame S'' , the event take place at (t'', x'', y'', z'') (let say) and given $t'' = 10 \text{ ms}$.

Let with the help of LT equations, $t'' = \gamma \left(t - \frac{vx}{c^2} \right)$

$$\Rightarrow 10 \times 10^{-3} = \gamma \left(2 \times 10^{-3} - \frac{v \cdot 10^4}{c^2} \right)$$

Let the $v/c = k$ for calculation, then we can write.

$$10 \times 10^{-3} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-k^2}} \left(2 - \frac{v \cdot 10^4 k}{c} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{1-k^2} = 0.2 - \frac{k \cdot 10^6}{c}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1-k^2 = \left(0.2 - \frac{k \cdot 10^6}{c} \right)^2$$

→ Solving the previous eq. with $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

we get, $K = 0.9805, -0.9791$

Hence $\frac{v''}{s} = 0.9805c$ and $\frac{v''}{s} = -0.9791c$ — ve axis.

Now, using Lorentz velocity addition, and transforming frame.

$$\frac{v_{s''}}{s'} = \frac{\frac{v_{s''}}{s} - \frac{v_{s'}}{s}}{1 - \frac{v_{s''}}{s} \cdot \frac{v_{s'}}{s}} = \frac{0.9805c - (-0.9c)}{1 - \frac{(0.9805c)(-0.9c)}{c^2}}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{v_{s''}}{s'} = 0.9989c} \quad \text{--- (1) Ans}$$

using second result root,

$$\frac{v_{s''}}{s'} = \frac{-0.9791c - (-0.9c)}{1 - \frac{(-0.9791c)(-0.9c)}{c^2}}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{v_{s''}}{s'} = -0.6657c} \quad \text{--- 2Ans.}$$

Final result

$$\frac{v_{s''}}{s} = 0.9805c \text{ and } 0.9791c \quad \left. \vphantom{\frac{v_{s''}}{s}} \right\} \text{opposite direction?}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{v_{s''}}{s'} = 0.9989c \text{ and } 0.6657c$$