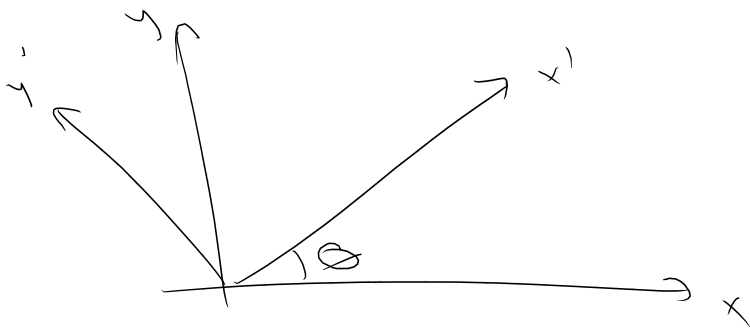


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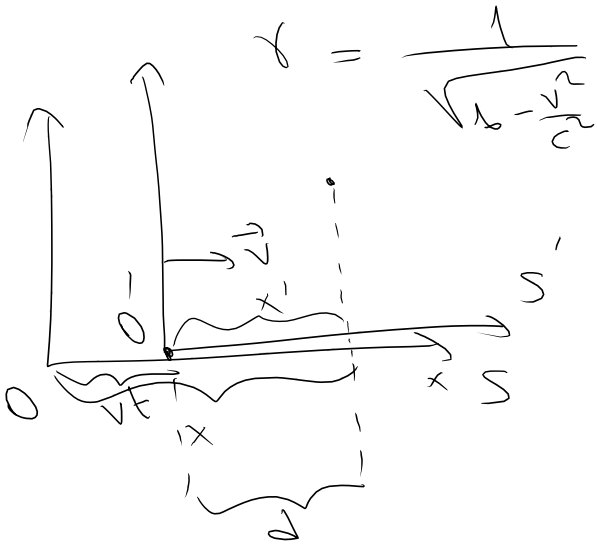


$$\vec{V} = V_x \hat{x} + V_y \hat{y}$$

$$= V_{x'} \hat{x}' + V_{y'} \hat{y}'$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} V_{x'} \\ V_{y'} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} V_x \\ V_y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{V} = \{V_i\}$$



$$(t', x', y', z')$$

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$$x = vt + l$$

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

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

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

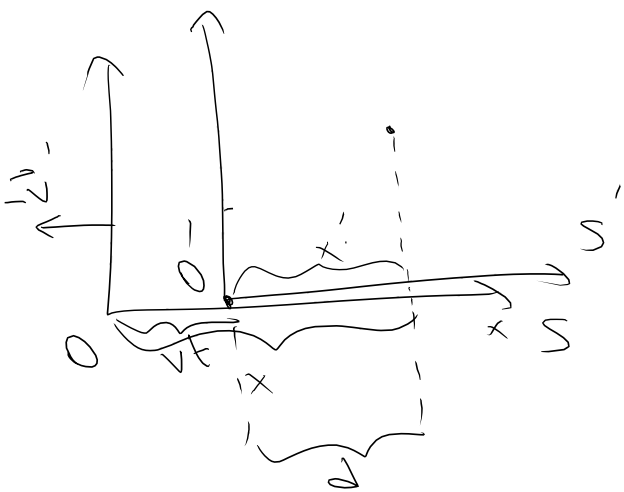
$$\frac{x}{\gamma} = \gamma(x - vt) + vt'$$

$$t' = \frac{1}{v} \left[ \frac{x}{\gamma} - \gamma x + \gamma vt \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{v} \gamma x \left[ \frac{1}{\gamma^2} - 1 \right] + \gamma t$$

$$= \frac{1}{v} \gamma x \left[ \left(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}\right) - 1 \right] + \gamma t$$

$$t' = \gamma \left[ t - \frac{v}{c^2} x \right]$$



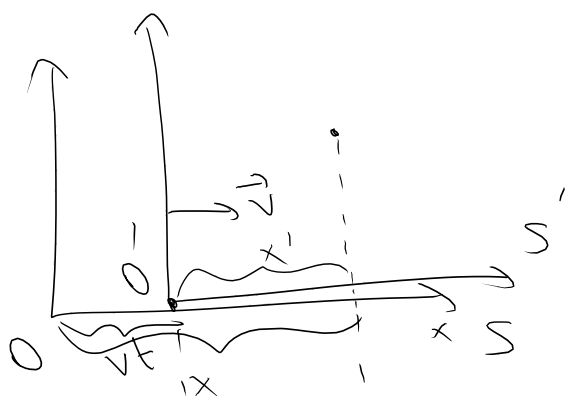
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$$\left. \begin{aligned} x' &= \gamma (x - vt) \\ t' &= \gamma \left( t - \frac{v}{c^2} x \right) \\ y' &= y \\ z' &= z \end{aligned} \right\}$$

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

$$\Delta x' = \gamma (\Delta x - v \Delta t) \xrightarrow{\Delta t = 0}$$

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} \Delta x' &= \gamma \Delta x \\ \Delta x &= \frac{1}{\gamma} \Delta x' \end{aligned}}$$



$\Delta x'$ : Length of the object in the  $S'$  system.

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$$\begin{aligned} x' &= \gamma (x - vt) \\ x'_e &= \gamma (x_e - vt_e) \\ x'_f &= \gamma (x_f - vt_f) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x'^2 - c^2 t'^2 &= [\gamma (x - vt)]^2 - c^2 \left[ \gamma \left( t - \frac{v}{c^2} x \right) \right]^2 \\ &= \gamma^2 \left\{ (x^2 + v^2 t^2 - 2xvt) - c^2 \left( t^2 + \frac{v^2}{c^4} x^2 - \frac{2v}{c^2} xt \right) \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\cancel{\gamma^2} \cancel{c^2}} \left\{ x^2 \left( \cancel{1} - \frac{v^2}{c^2} \right) - c^2 t^2 \left( \cancel{1} - \frac{v^2}{c^2} \right) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{x'^2 - c^2 t'^2 = x^2 - c^2 t^2}$$

$-c^2 t^2 + x^2 + y^2 + z^2 =$  interval invariant under Lorentz Transformations

$$-c^2(\Delta t)^2 + (\Delta x)^2 + (\Delta y)^2 + (\Delta z)^2 = (\Delta \tau)^2$$

$$x' = \gamma \left( x - \frac{v}{c} ct \right)$$

$$ct' = \gamma \left( ct - \frac{v}{c} x \right)$$

$$y' = y$$

$$z' = z$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} ct' \\ x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma & -\beta\gamma & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\gamma & \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} ct \\ x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\beta \equiv \frac{v}{c}$$

$$\gamma \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}}$$

$$x^M = (ct, x, y, z)$$

$$x^0 \equiv ct; x^1 \equiv x; x^2 \equiv y; x^3 \equiv z$$

$$x'^{\mu} = \Lambda^{\mu}_{\nu} x^{\nu}$$

$$\mu: m \mu$$

$$\nu: n \nu$$

$$\mu, \nu: 0, 1, 2, 3$$

rotation

$$\Lambda_z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos\theta & -\sin\theta & 0 \\ 0 & \sin\theta & \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Delta x^M = x^M_A - x^M_B$$

$$(\Delta \tau)^2 = (\Delta x^M)^2 \equiv -(\Delta x^0)^2 + (\Delta x^1)^2 + (\Delta x^2)^2 + (\Delta x^3)^2$$

$(\Delta \tau)^2 < 0$  : the separation of two events is timelike

$(\Delta \tau)^2 = 0$  : " " " " " is lightlike

$(\Delta \tau)^2 > 0$  : " " " " " is spacelike

$(\Delta \tau)^2 < 0 \Rightarrow$  it is always possible to find a reference frame in which  $\Delta x^M = (\Delta x^0, \vec{0})$

$(\Delta \tau)^2 > 0 \Rightarrow$  it is always possible to find a reference frame in which  $\Delta x^M = (0, \Delta \vec{r})$

in minkowsky space,  $v^2$  need not be positive!

$$(\Delta s)^2 = (x^0)^2 - (x^1)^2$$

$$(\Delta s)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x^0 = \pm x^1$$

