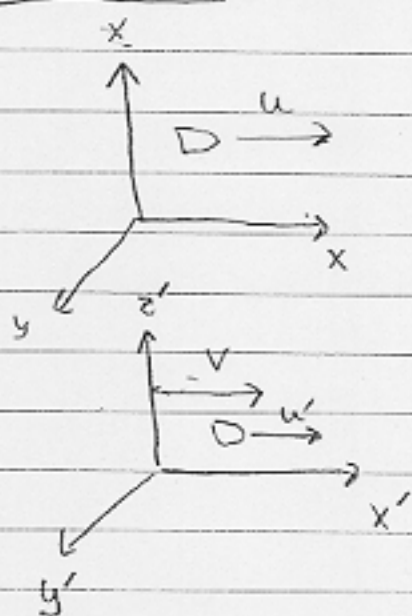


Last time



Earth Observer makes measurements of the rocket
 t, x, y, z, u

For instance the position of the rocket vs. time

$$x = ut$$

$u =$ The velocity of the rocket

The observer on jupiter which is moving with respect to earth in the x direction measures different coordinates and velocities

$$t' = t$$

$$x' = x - vt$$

$$y' = y$$

$$z' = z$$

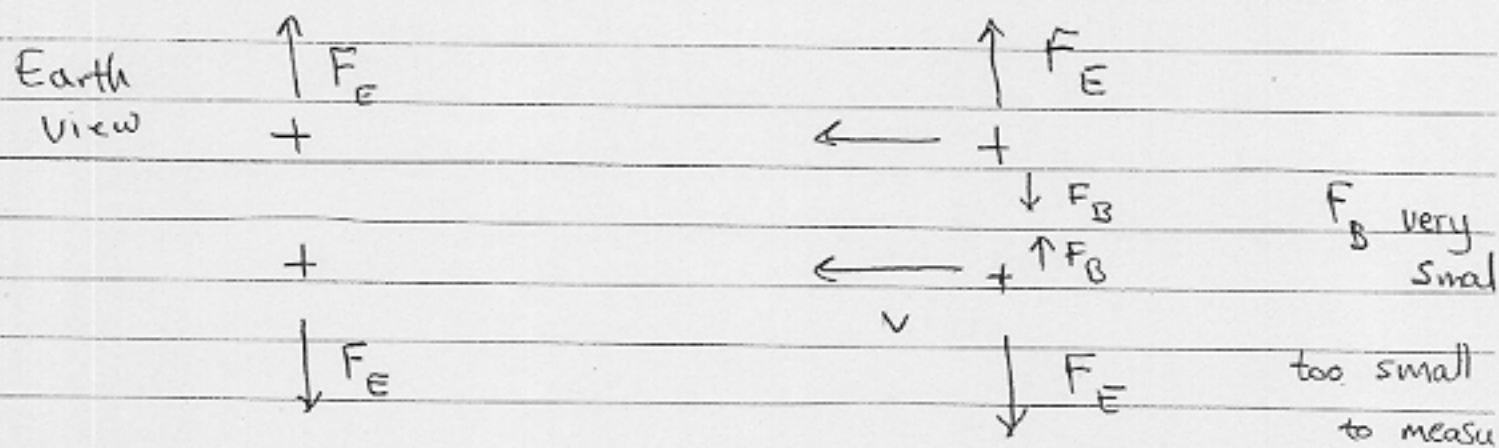
$$u' = u - v$$

The Rules of Physics are supposed to be the same on jupiter and earth

For example $F = ma$ $F' = m'a'$

$$u = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} \quad u' = \frac{\Delta x'}{\Delta t'}$$

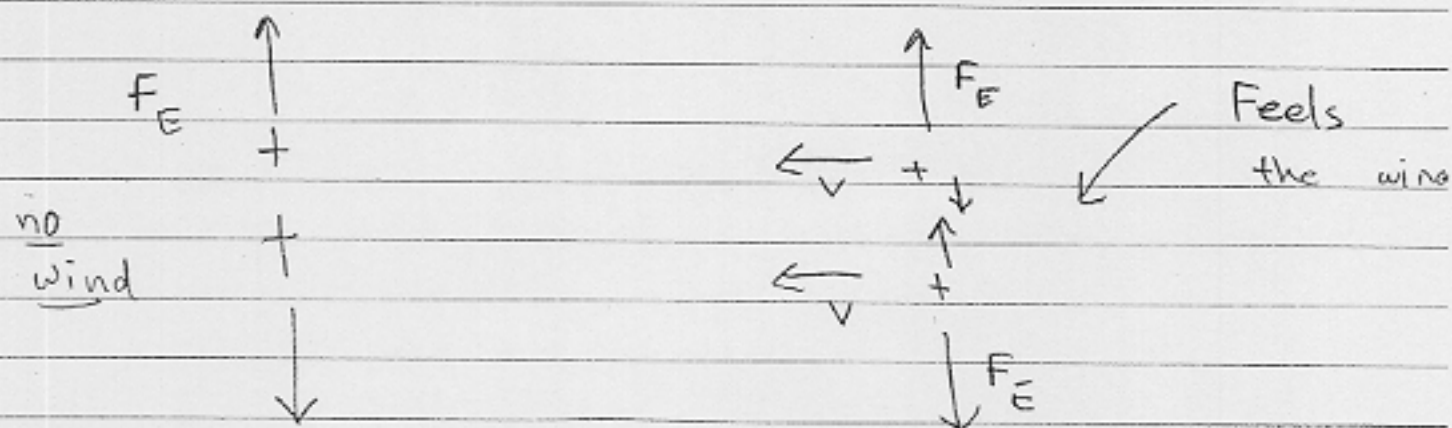
But: $E \neq M$ Doesn't seem to work



Maxwell's answer:

- Based on the thought that light is a disturbance of some medium aether
- Kind of like sound is a disturbance of air. Then there is a preferred frame, namely the frame where the aether is at rest.

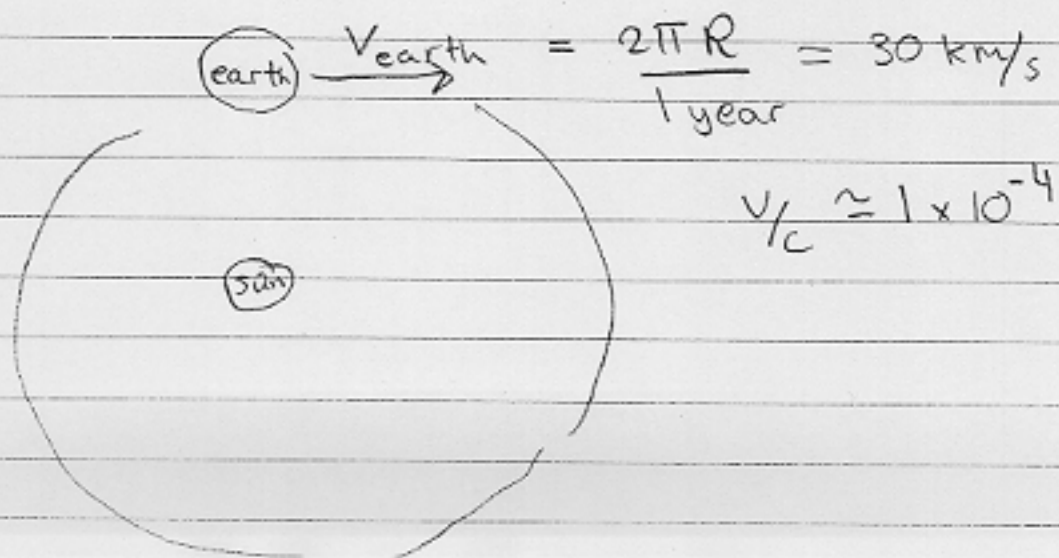
- For instance if you throw a ball straight up when your standing still you get a different answer than if you throw a ball straight up in a convertible car, because of wind



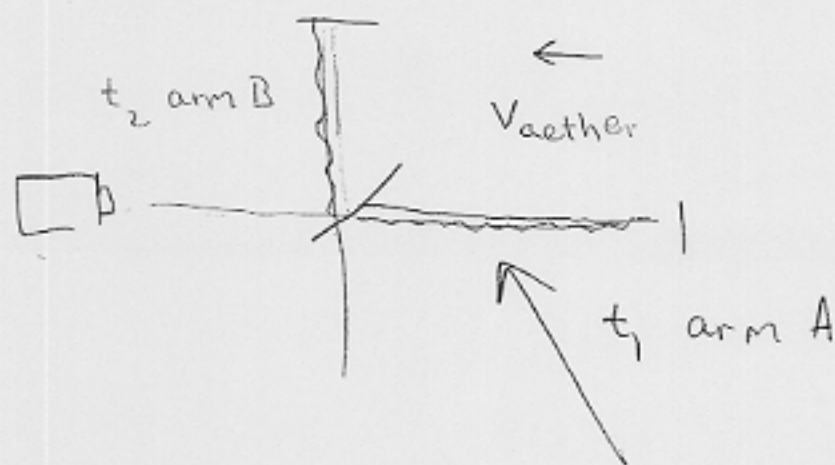
- Need to move near the speed of light to feel the wind

ether

- There could be a ^ wind all the time



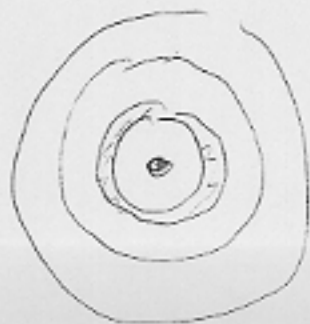
The Michelson - Morley experiment



It takes longer to swim against the current and back than it does to swim with no current

t_2 arm B

- Then the time difference makes the light interfere
- By rotating the table can change the time difference between the arms



- expect the interference pattern to change based on the time difference

- Michelson saw no change in fringes

Einstein and Relativity

- The speed of light is constant in all inertial frames (i.e. observers moving with constant velocity v)
- All Laws of Physics have the same form in all reference frames

Einstein Reasserts the principle of relativity that is ~~to~~ change all unprimed equations to primed ones.

$$u = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} \quad u' = \frac{\Delta x'}{\Delta t'}$$

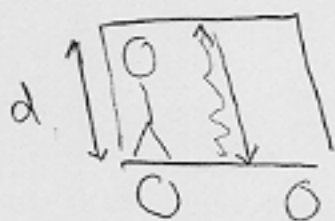
But u' changes the relation between u and

$$u' \neq u - v$$

Time Dilation

- The speed of light is constant in all frames

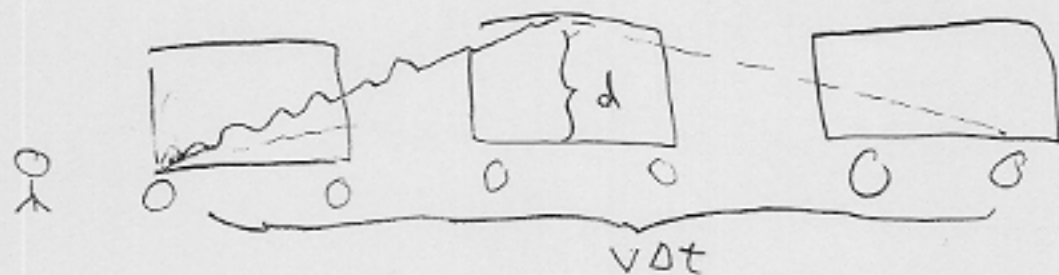
Time it take for person sitting still to throw and catch the light



$$\Delta\tau = \frac{2d}{c}$$

proper time: time measured at the same position at spac

For an observer moving to the left with speed v



$$\frac{\text{Total Distance}}{\text{Total time}} = \text{speed of Light} = c$$

$$\frac{2\sqrt{d^2 + (v\Delta t/2)^2}}{\Delta t} = c$$

Solver For Δt :

$$\sqrt{(2d)^2 + (v\Delta t)^2} = c \Delta t$$

$$(2d)^2 + (v\Delta t)^2 = c^2 \Delta t^2$$

$$\left(\frac{2d}{c}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2 \Delta t^2 = \Delta t^2$$

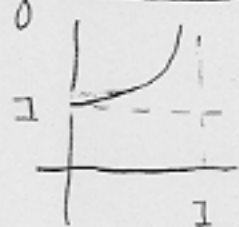
$$\left(\frac{2d}{c}\right)^2 = \left[1 - \left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2\right] (\Delta t)^2$$

$$\frac{\left(\frac{2d}{c}\right)^2}{\left(1 - \left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2\right)^2} = (\Delta t)^2 \quad \Delta t$$

$$\Delta t = \left(\frac{2d}{c}\right) \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}} \Rightarrow \Delta t = \frac{\tau}{\sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}}$$

Define

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



• Moving clocks run slow

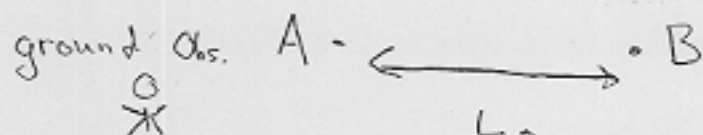
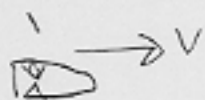
$$\Delta t = \gamma \Delta \tau \quad \gamma > 1$$

time for someone on ground

time interval for someone on train

Length Contraction

Consider a Ruler Stick:



proper length = length as measured by someone at rest w.r.t. the ruler stick

Consider the ground observer he sees that the space-ship takes a time to complete his journey

$$\Delta t = \frac{L_p}{v}$$

$$\Delta \tau_s = \frac{L'}{v}$$

Now

$$\gamma \Delta \tau = \frac{L_p}{v}$$

$$\Delta \tau = \frac{(L_p / \gamma)}{v} = \frac{\text{length of ruler as seen by space g.}}{v}$$

$$L = \frac{L_p}{\gamma}$$

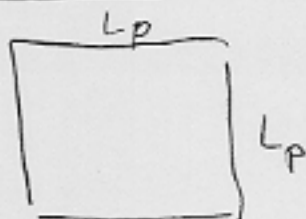
proper length

Moving ruler sticks are length contracted

Remark:

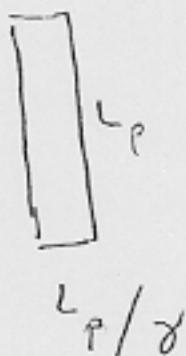
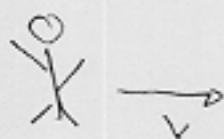
- Only those directions in the direction of motion are length contracted.

Fixed Observer:

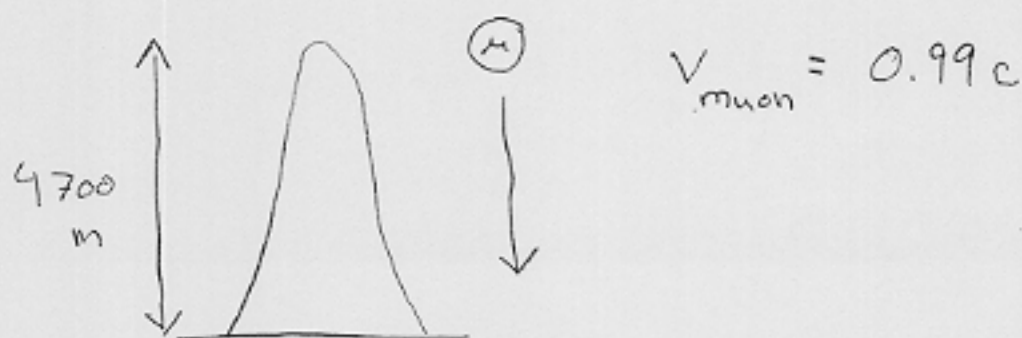


- Transverse Directions not contracted.

Moving Observer:



Muon and mountain: Earth Observer



• The μ decays in $2.2 \mu\text{s}$ in its own frame (a proper time)

• To an observer on earth the muon decays in

$$\Delta t = \gamma \Delta \tau \quad \gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}} = 7.1$$

$$\Delta t = (7.1) (2.2 \mu\text{s}) \approx 16 \mu\text{s}$$

• The distance travelled is $d = v \Delta t \approx c \cdot 16 \mu\text{s} = 4700$ m the muon reaches the bottom!

Muon and mountain: Muon Observer



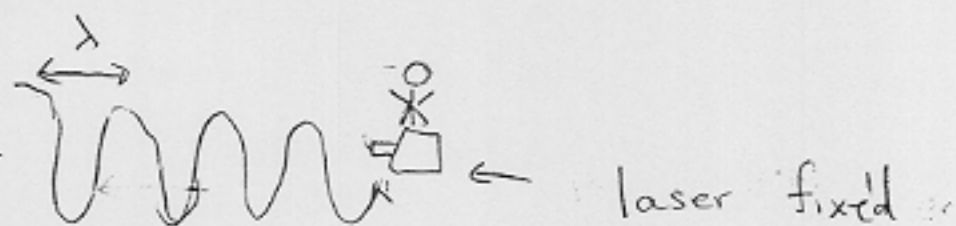
$$L = L_0 / \gamma = \frac{4700 \text{ m}}{7.1} \approx 650 \text{ m}$$

The muon says $x = \Delta \tau v$ amount of snow passes him

$$x = 2.2 \mu\text{s} (0.99c) \approx 650 \text{ m}$$

The muon agrees he reaches the
bottom

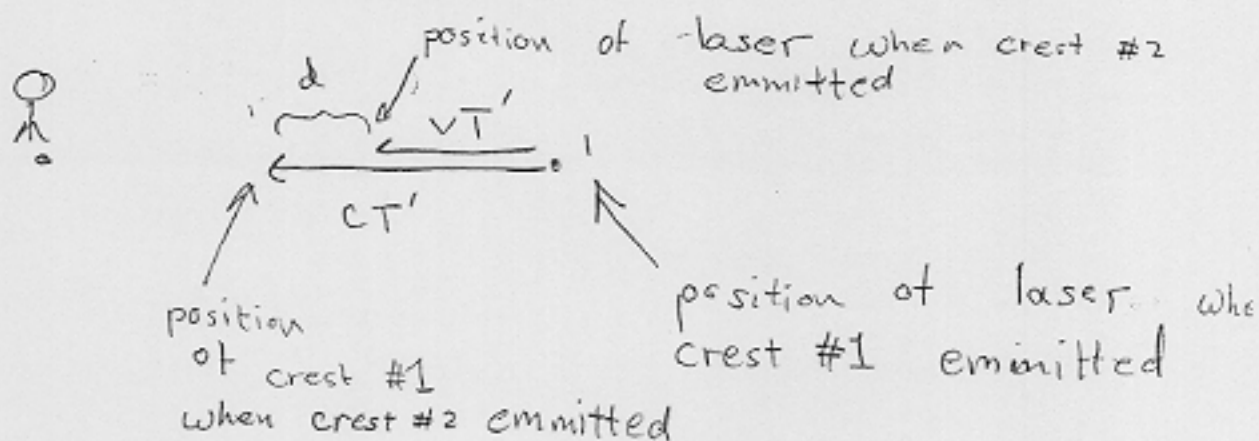
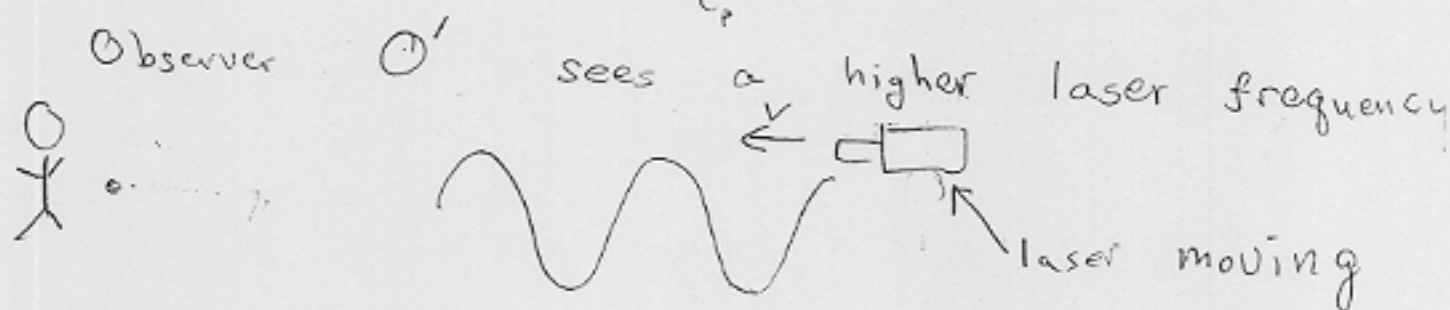
Doppler Shift



- For someone ^{on the laser} The crests of the waves emitted with period T_p :

$$c = \lambda f$$

$$f = \frac{1}{T_p}$$



distance between crests = $\lambda' = cT' - vT'$

T' = time between crests as seen by O'

time between crests for a laser fixed in space

$$T' = \gamma \tau_p$$

$$\lambda' = (c-v) T' = (c-v) \gamma \tau_p$$

Now

$$c = \lambda' f' \Rightarrow f' = c / \lambda'$$

$$f' = \frac{c}{\lambda'} = \frac{c}{(c-v) \gamma \tau_p}$$

$$f' = \frac{1}{(1-v/c) \gamma \tau_p} = \frac{\sqrt{1-(v/c)^2}}{1-v/c} f_0$$

$$\sqrt{1-(v/c)^2} = \sqrt{(1-v/c)(1+v/c)} \quad \text{so}$$

$$f' = f_0 \sqrt{\frac{1+v/c}{1-v/c}}$$