

Now turn the "clock" to be parallel to the direction of motion.

#2 looking at their own clock.

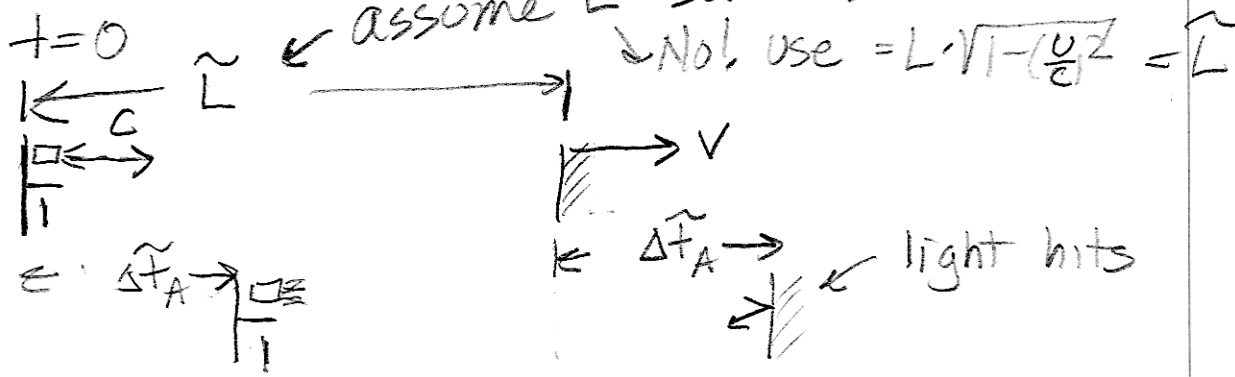
$$\Delta t_2 = \frac{2L}{c} \text{ (independent of)}$$

#1 looking at #2's clock... answer should not depend on orientation!

$$\Delta \tilde{t} = \Delta t_2 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (U/c)^2}} = \frac{2L}{c} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (U/c)^2}}$$

Try working this out from the ground up... Time interval, "lab frame", moving emitter to mirror,  $\Delta t_A$

STEP A



emission to hitting mirror

$$c \cdot \Delta \tilde{t}_A = \tilde{L} + U \Delta \tilde{t}_A$$

$$(c - U) \Delta \tilde{t}_A = \tilde{L}$$

$$\Delta \tilde{t}_A = \frac{\tilde{L}}{c - U}$$

Call the time from getting to the mirror back to the detector  $\Delta \tilde{t}_B$



$$U\Delta\tilde{T}_B + c\Delta\tilde{T}_B = \tilde{L}$$

$$\Delta\tilde{T}_B = \frac{\tilde{L}}{c+U} \left[ \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{U}{c}\right)^2} \right]$$

Apparently,

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\tilde{T} &= \Delta\tilde{T}_A + \Delta\tilde{T}_B = \frac{\tilde{L}}{c-U} + \frac{\tilde{L}}{c+U} \\ &= \frac{\tilde{L}(c+U) + \tilde{L}(c-U)}{(c-U)(c+U)} = \frac{2\tilde{L}c}{c^2 - U^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta\tilde{T} = \frac{2\tilde{L}c}{c^2} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \frac{U^2}{c^2}} = \frac{2\tilde{L}}{c} \frac{1}{1 - \left(\frac{U}{c}\right)^2}$$

$$\frac{2\tilde{L}}{c} \frac{1}{1 - \left(\frac{U}{c}\right)^2} = \frac{2L}{c} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{U}{c}\right)^2}} \quad \leftarrow \text{from time dilatation}$$

How is this resolved ???

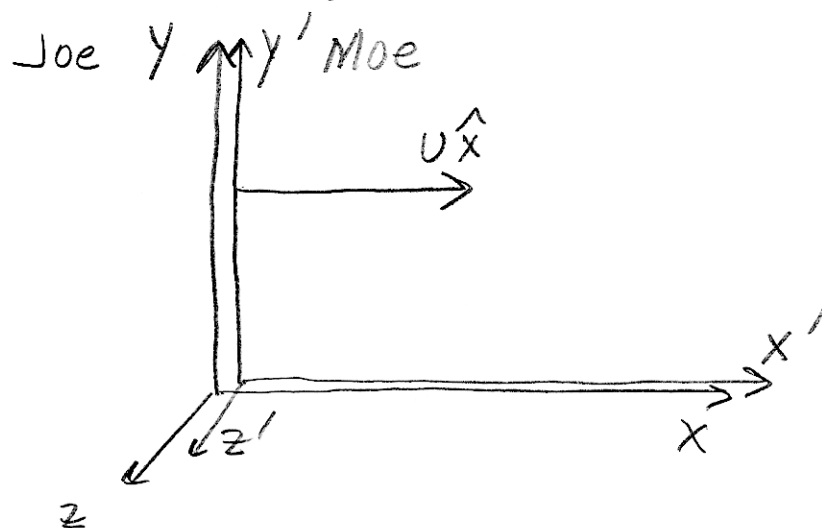
**⇒ LENGTH CONTRACTION!**

The length of an object || to motion that is moving appears shortened by a factor of  $\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{U}{c}\right)^2}$

$$\tilde{L} = L \cdot \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{U}{c}\right)^2}$$

Let's make this more systematic...

Imagine 2 coordinate systems,  
"Joe" and "Moe"



at  $t = t' = 0$  coordinate systems align.

at later times,  $y = y'$ ,  $z = z'$

origin of Moe's at  $x = ut$  in Joe's.

What about more generally?

Suppose we know the 4 coordinates  
of an event in Joe's frame:

$$x, y, z, t \quad \leftarrow \#4!$$

How do we calculate  $x', y', z', t'$ ??

① Suppose  $y' = y$ ,  $z' = z$  (simplicity)  
why?  $\perp$  to direction of motion.

② Accomodate length contraction...  
 Something  $x'$  from Moe's origin  
 appears to be only  $x' \cdot \sqrt{1 - (\frac{v}{c})^2}$  from  
 Moe's origin to be

$$x = vt + x' \cdot \sqrt{1 - (\frac{v}{c})^2}$$

for  
Joe

↑  
location  
of Moe's  
origin

But... why is Joe looking at  
 Moe so special... must also be  
 true that...

$$x' = -vt' + x \cdot \sqrt{1 - (\frac{v}{c})^2}$$

for  
Moe

This should disturb you,  
 length contraction goes both  
 ways!! Solving.

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

$$x = \frac{x' + vt'}{\sqrt{1 - (\frac{v}{c})^2}}$$

but these can be cross substituted  
 to arrive at similar equations for

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

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

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

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

$$x' \left( \frac{1 - (v/c)^2}{1 - (v/c)^2} - \frac{1}{1 - (v/c)^2} \right) - \frac{ut'}{1 - (v/c)^2} = -\frac{ut}{\sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}}$$

$$t = \frac{t' + (v/c)(x'/c)}{\sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}} \Rightarrow t' = \frac{t - (v/c)(x/c)}{\sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}}$$

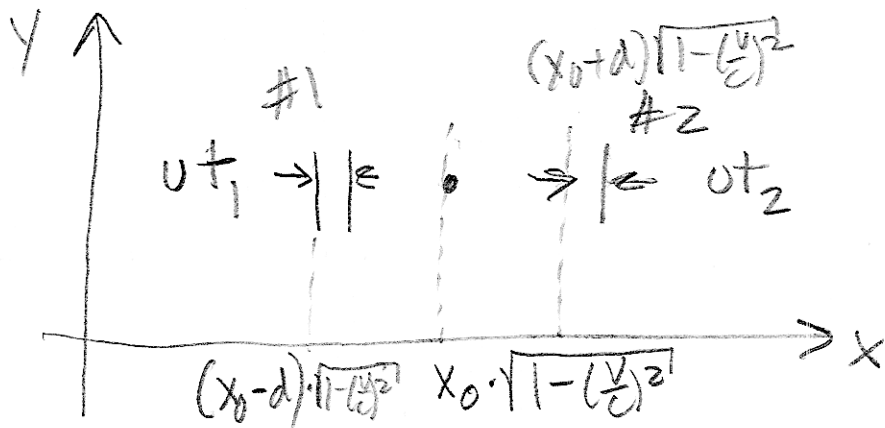
SURPRISE: not just time dilatation (factor of  $1/\sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}$ ), but time in another frame depends on space too! ( $x'/c$  factor).

Physical Origin of This:

Imagine two light beams in Moe's frame:

both emitted from  $x_0$ , one toward  $+x$ , one toward  $-x$ , to arrive "simultaneously" at  $t' = \frac{d}{c}$

In Joels Frame ...



appears that #1 arrives first...

$$\left. \begin{aligned} ut_1 + ct_1 &= d \cdot \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2} \\ t_1 &= \frac{d \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2}}{c + v} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{from picture.}$$

from equations

$$t_1 = \frac{d}{c} \frac{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2}}{1 + \frac{v}{c}} = \frac{d}{c} \sqrt{\frac{1 - \frac{v}{c}}{1 + \frac{v}{c}}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} t_1 &= t_{\text{reception}} - t_{\text{emission}} \\ &= \frac{d}{c} + \frac{v}{c} \left( \frac{x_0 - d}{c} \right) - \frac{0 + \frac{v}{c} \left( \frac{x_0}{c} \right)}{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{d}{c} \frac{\left(1 - \frac{v}{c}\right)}{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2}} = \frac{d}{c} \frac{\left(1 - \frac{v}{c}\right)}{\sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{v}{c}\right)\left(1 + \frac{v}{c}\right)}} = \frac{d}{c} \sqrt{\frac{1 - \frac{v}{c}}{1 + \frac{v}{c}}}$$

$$t_1 = \frac{d}{c} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{v}{c}\right)\left(1 + \frac{v}{c}\right)}}{1 + \frac{v}{c}} = \frac{d}{c} \frac{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2}}{1 + \frac{v}{c}} \quad \text{same}$$

$$ct_2 - ut_2 = d \cdot \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2}$$

$$t_2 = \frac{d \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2}}{c - v} = \frac{d}{c} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2}}{1 - \frac{v}{c}}$$

$$= \frac{d}{c} \frac{\sqrt{\left(1 + \frac{v}{c}\right)\left(1 - \frac{v}{c}\right)}}{1 - \frac{v}{c}}$$

$$t_2 = \frac{d}{c} \sqrt{\frac{1 + \frac{v}{c}}{1 - \frac{v}{c}}}$$

$$t_2 = t_{\text{reception}} - t_{\text{emission}}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{d}{c} + \frac{v}{c} \left(\frac{x_0 + d}{c}\right)}{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2}} - \frac{0 + \frac{v}{c} \left(\frac{x_0}{c}\right)}{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2}}$$

$$= \frac{d}{c} \frac{\left(1 + \frac{v}{c}\right)}{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2}} = \frac{d}{c} \frac{\left(1 + \frac{v}{c}\right)}{\sqrt{\left(1 + \frac{v}{c}\right)\left(1 - \frac{v}{c}\right)}}$$

$$t_2 = \frac{d}{c} \sqrt{\frac{1 + \frac{v}{c}}{1 - \frac{v}{c}}}$$

$t_1 \neq t_2$ , events not simultaneous,

and  $t_1 \approx \frac{d}{c} \sqrt{\frac{1 - \frac{v}{c}}{1 + \frac{v}{c}}} \approx \frac{d}{c} \left(1 - \frac{2v}{c}\right)^{1/2} \approx \frac{d}{c} \left(1 - \frac{v}{c}\right)$

$$t_2 \approx \frac{d}{c} \sqrt{\frac{1 + \frac{v}{c}}{1 - \frac{v}{c}}} \approx \frac{d}{c} \left(1 + \frac{2v}{c}\right)^{1/2} \approx \frac{d}{c} \left(1 + \frac{v}{c}\right); \quad t_2 - t_1 \approx 2 \frac{dv}{c^2}$$

Finally, the Lorentz Transformation  
 $x', y', z'$  moving  $v \hat{x}$  w/r to  $x, y, z$

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

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

$$y' = y$$

$$y = y'$$

$$z' = z$$

$$z = z'$$

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

$$t = \frac{t' + (v/c)(x'/c)}{\sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}}$$