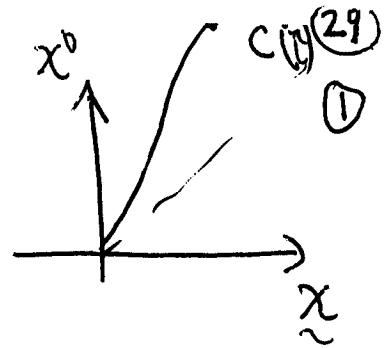


② Momentum & Energy

[SR-III]



Consider a mass m moving thru a fixed Lorentz frame $x = (x^0, \dots, x^3)$, $x^0 = ct$.

- Classical momentum: $\underline{p} = m \frac{d\underline{x}}{dt}$, $E = \frac{1}{2} m \mathbf{v}^2$ conserved. These are coord. dependent expressions, not conserved relativistically
- To make momentum relativistically invariant, parameterize path wrt coord indept parameter

$$\textcircled{2} \quad x = x(\tau) \equiv x_0 c(\tau)$$

$$ds = c d\tau \sqrt{-\{(dx^0)^2 + \dots + (dx^3)^2\}}$$

Defn.: The 4-velocity of the particle is

$$u = \frac{d\underline{x}}{d\tau} \equiv u^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \in T_{c(\tau)} M^4$$

$$u^i = \frac{dx^i}{d\tau}$$

The 4-momentum of particle $P = mu \in T_{c(\tau)} M^4$

Note: u has dimensions of velocity,

$$\left\langle \frac{u}{c}, \frac{u}{c} \right\rangle = -1, u \text{ timelike FIP}$$

- Let n ~~masses~~ pt masses m_1, \dots, m_n interact.

Let p_1, \dots, p_n be their 4-momenta before interaction, and q_1, \dots, q_n their 4-momenta after interaction.

Defn: We say 4-momentum is conserved in the interaction in L-frame x if

$$\sum_{k=1}^n p_k^i = \sum_{k=1}^n q_k^i \quad i=0, \dots, 3.$$

↗ 4 quantities separately are conserved.

Theorem: If 4-momentum is conserved in one ^{Inertial} frame then it is conserved in all

E-frames:

Proof: Choose $y^{\alpha} = A_i^{\alpha} x^i$ a Lorentz transformation, A_i^{α} a constant 4×4 matrix. Assume conservation of 4-momentum in x -coordinates:

$$\sum_{k=1}^n (p_k^i - q_k^i) = 0.$$

Then in y -coordinates (p_k, q_k are vectors)

$$p_k^{\alpha} = A_i^{\alpha} p_k^i \quad q_k^{\alpha} = A_i^{\alpha} q_k^i.$$

Thus

$$\sum_{k=1}^n (p_k^{\alpha} - q_k^{\alpha}) = \sum_{k=1}^n A_i^{\alpha} (p_k^i - q_k^i) = A_i^{\alpha} \sum_{k=1}^n (p_k^i - q_k^i)$$

Consequence of linearity
of transformation above.

Conclude: "Conservation" is meaningful for the components of a vector, and momentum $p = m \frac{dc}{d\tau}$ is the only "geometric" vector associated with classical momentum.

- We write p in terms of the classical momentum $p_{cl} = m \underline{v}$:

$$p^i = m \frac{dx^i}{d\tau} = m \frac{dx^i}{dt} \frac{dt}{d\tau}$$

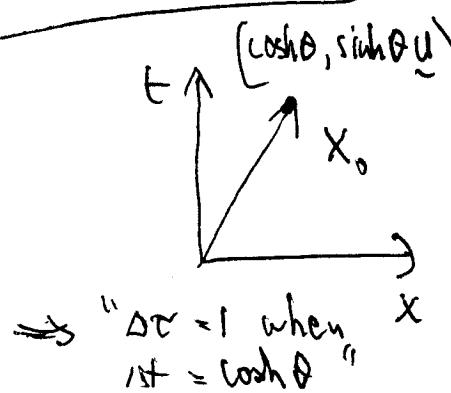
But (param. path $c = c(t)$ wrt t):

$$ds^2 = c^2 d\tau^2 = \left\{ -\left(\frac{dx^0}{dt}\right)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^3 \left(\frac{dx^i}{dt}\right)^2 \right\} dt^2$$

$$= (-c^2 + |\underline{v}|^2) dt^2$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dt}{d\tau} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - |\frac{\underline{v}}{c}|^2}} \equiv \gamma \equiv \cosh \theta}$$

$$\gamma = 1 + \frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{\underline{v}}{c} \right|^2 + O\left(\frac{\underline{v}}{c} \right)^4$$



$\Rightarrow "dx = 1 \text{ when } dt = \cosh \theta"$

Thus :

$$p^0 = m \frac{dx^0}{dt} \frac{dt}{d\tau} = mc\gamma$$

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$$p^i = m \frac{dx^i}{dt} \frac{dt}{d\tau} = mv^i\gamma$$

$$\Rightarrow p^0 = mc \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{v}{c} \right|^2 + h.o.t \right)$$

$$p^i = mv^i \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{v}{c} \right|^2 + h.o.t \right) \quad h.o.t \sim \left| \frac{v}{c} \right|^4$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \cancel{cp^0} = mc^2 + \frac{1}{2} m |v|^2 + O\left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2$$
$$p^i = mv^i + O\left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2$$

Conclude: ~~for velocities~~ $\left| \frac{v}{c} \right| \ll 1$, cp^0

agrees with classical momentum, and p^i agrees with classical K.E. to within the constant mc^2 . $[cp_0]$ = energy

$[p_i]$ = momentum

CONCEPTUAL LEAP:

$$\text{ENERGY} = c P^0$$

$$\text{MOMENTUM} = \underline{P}$$

are the true conserved physical quantities.

- Since $E = mc^2 + \frac{1}{2}mv_i^2 + O\left(\frac{|x|^4}{c^2}\right)$,
 $\underbrace{\hspace{1cm}}$
 Kinetic energy

if one imagined that masses can change during interaction, conservation of E implies that mc^2 is the amt of "rest" energy that can be converted into kinetic energy during interactions. Since $mc^2 \gg \frac{mv^2}{c^2}$, small changes in rest mass \Rightarrow large releases of KE with obvious implications.

- EINSTEIN viewed the above as the greatest prediction of his theory.

Conservation laws : $\rho(x) = \frac{\text{mass}}{3\text{-volume}}$ in frame fixed with fluid particle. Here, let $u = \frac{dx}{ds}$, (dividers 4-vel). ρu is 4-mass-flux vector. Assume dust $\rho=0$

- in L-frame fixed with fluid, $u = (1, 0, 0, 0) \Rightarrow$

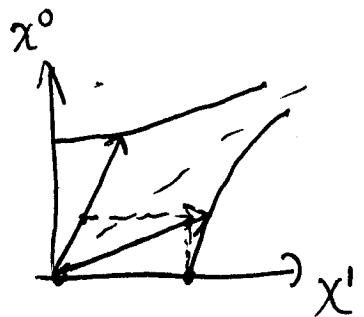
$$\rho u^0 = \rho = \frac{\text{mass}}{dx^0 dx^1 dx^3}$$

- under L-transformation, ($u = x_1$ unit timelike vector)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cosh\theta & \sinh\theta & 0 & 0 \\ \sinh\theta & \cosh\theta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \bar{x} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Assume fluid fixed rel to \bar{x} -coord system

$$u^\alpha = (\cosh\theta, \sinh\theta, 0, 0) = (\gamma, \gamma \frac{v^1}{c}, 0, 0)$$



$$L_{\bar{x}} = \gamma L_x \quad d\bar{x}^1 = \gamma dx^1, \quad d\bar{x}^2 = dx^2, \quad d\bar{x}^3 = dx^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \rho u = (\rho \gamma, \rho \gamma \frac{v^1}{c}, 0, 0)$$

$$\rho \gamma = \frac{d\text{mass}}{d\bar{x}^0 d\bar{x}^1 d\bar{x}^3} \cdot \gamma = \frac{d\text{mass}}{\gamma dx^0 dx^1 dx^3} \gamma =$$

mass density as measured in moving frame. γ

Here - ρ is $\frac{\text{mass}}{3\text{-vol}}$ in the frame \bar{x} moving with the fluid

$$\rho u^i = \rho x_i \frac{v_i}{c} = \text{"mass flux"} = \frac{d\text{mass}}{dx^2 dx^3 c dt} = \frac{\text{"mass per unit area with normal}}{\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}}$$

\Rightarrow conclude: conservation of mass is expressed in any L-frame by

$$\int\limits_{\partial} \rho u \cdot n \, dA = \text{mass}(top) - \text{mass}(bottom) + \text{amt passing out thru } \partial$$

$\square [4]$

$$= 0$$

$$\int \text{div } \rho u \, dv$$

"Gauss Thm" $\square [4]$

$$\Rightarrow \text{div } \rho u = 0 \quad \text{continuity equation.}$$

$$\text{Gauss Thm: } \int\limits_{\partial\Omega} x^i d\Sigma_i = \int\limits_{\Omega} x^i_{;i} \epsilon \quad [\text{skip}]$$

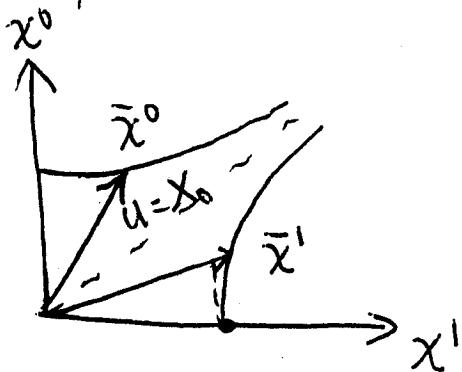
$$\epsilon = dx^1 \wedge dx^2 \wedge dx^3 = \text{vol form}$$

$$\epsilon \downarrow n = \epsilon(n_1, n_2, n_3) = d\Sigma_i \text{ 3-form.}$$

\Rightarrow can localize global cont. law: Problem w. stress tensor.

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Energy & Momentum Flux Vectors:



Moving x frame sees contracted length \Rightarrow increase in mass density by factor γ .

Bvt $P^0 = \rho u^0 = \rho \gamma \Rightarrow$ increase in energy by another factor γ . \Rightarrow ie. " ρ " $\xrightarrow{\text{cont}} \gamma \rho_{\text{rest-mass}}$
so " ρu^0 " $\Rightarrow \gamma \rho \gamma u^0 = \frac{\text{energy}}{3\text{-vol}}$

Energy flux vector: $\rho \gamma u = \rho u^0 u$

Momentum flux vector $(\rho u^i) u = \rho u^i u$

Stress-Energy Tensor for fluid (no pressure - only the density contributes to energy & mom:)

$$T^{ij} = \rho u^i u^j$$

Cons of 4-momentum in L-frame =

$$\operatorname{div} T = 0, \quad \epsilon T_{,j}^i = 0$$