

# Euclidean coordinates in relativity spacetime diagram

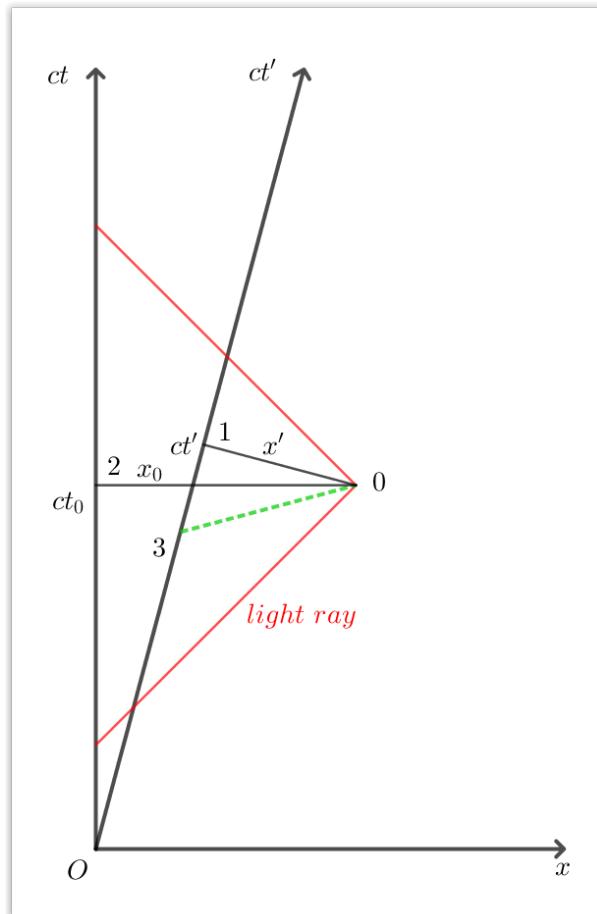
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## 1 Mathematical introduction

The physical situation consists of two observers  $S$  and  $S'$  which are in rectilinear and uniform translational motion relative to each other. The  $x$  and  $x'$  axes coincide and the motion is along them in 3-D. Each observer has a clock located at the origin of the 3-D axes. The observers emit electromagnetic TV signals containing the image of their own clock and re-emit the received image of the other.

Any event is a reflection of this signal. We write the equations of the lines in the space-time diagram, and the intersection of two lines is an event.



$$\begin{cases} c = 1 \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{cases} t' = at + fx \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{cases} x' = a(x - vt) \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{cases} a^2 + avf = 1 \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

Galilei:

$$1^2 + 1 \cdot v \cdot 0 = 1 \quad (5)$$

$$\begin{cases} t' = t \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

$$\begin{cases} x' = x - vt \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

Euclid:

$$\cos^2 \varphi + \underbrace{\cos \varphi}_{a} \underbrace{\frac{\sin \varphi}{\cos \varphi}}_{v} \underbrace{\sin \varphi}_{f} = 1 \quad (8)$$

$$\begin{cases} t' = t \cos \varphi + x \sin \varphi \end{cases} \quad (9)$$

$$\begin{cases} x' = -t \sin \varphi + x \cos \varphi \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

$$s^2 = t^2 + x^2 = t'^2 + x'^2 \quad (11)$$

$$\begin{cases} t' = s \cos \theta' \end{cases} \quad (12)$$

$$\begin{cases} x' = s \sin \theta' \end{cases} \quad (13)$$

$$\begin{cases} t = s \cos \theta \end{cases} \quad (14)$$

$$\begin{cases} x = s \sin \theta \end{cases} \quad (15)$$

$$\begin{cases} \cos \theta' = \cos \theta \cos \varphi + \sin \theta \sin \varphi = \cos(\theta - \varphi) \end{cases} \quad (16)$$

$$\begin{cases} \sin \theta' = -\cos \theta \sin \varphi + \sin \theta \cos \varphi = \sin(\theta - \varphi) \end{cases} \quad (17)$$

$$\boxed{\theta' = \theta - \varphi} \quad (18)$$

Lorentz:

$$\cosh^2 \psi + \underbrace{\cosh \psi}_{a} \underbrace{\frac{\sinh \psi}{\cosh \psi}}_{v} \underbrace{(-\sinh \psi)}_{f} = 1 \quad (19)$$

$$\begin{cases} t' = t \cosh \psi - x \sinh \psi \end{cases} \quad (20)$$

$$\begin{cases} x' = -t \sinh \psi + x \cosh \psi \end{cases} \quad (21)$$

$$\tau^2 = t^2 - x^2 = t'^2 - x'^2 \quad (22)$$

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$$\boxed{\alpha' = \alpha - \psi} \quad (29)$$


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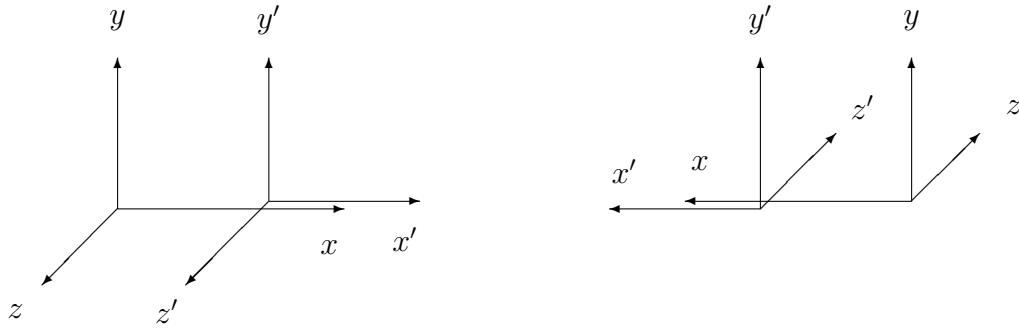


Figure 1:

$$R_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (30)$$

$$\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 & b_0 & c_0 & d_0 \\ a_1 & b_1 & c_1 & d_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 & d_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 & d_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (31)$$

$$R_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (32)$$

$$X' = \Lambda X \quad (33)$$

$$X' \rightarrow R_2 X', \quad X \rightarrow R_2 X \quad (34)$$

$$R_2 \Lambda = \Lambda R_2 \quad (35)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_0 & b_0 & c_0 & d_0 \\ a_1 & b_1 & c_1 & d_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 & d_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 & d_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 & b_0 & c_0 & d_0 \\ a_1 & b_1 & c_1 & d_1 \\ -a_3 & -b_3 & -c_3 & -d_3 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 & d_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (36)$$

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$$R_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (39)$$

$$X' \rightarrow R_3 X', \quad X \rightarrow R_3 X \quad (40)$$

$$R_3 \Lambda = \Lambda R_3 \quad (41)$$

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$$X' \rightarrow R_1 X, \quad X \rightarrow R_1 X' \quad (45)$$

$$R_1 X = \Lambda R_1 X' = \Lambda R_1 \Lambda X, \quad R_1^2 = \mathbb{1} \quad (46)$$

$$\Lambda R_1 = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 & b_0 & 0 & 0 \\ a_1 & b_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & c_3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 & b_0 & 0 & 0 \\ a_1 & -b_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -c_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (47)$$

$$(\Lambda R_1)^2 = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 & b_0 & 0 & 0 \\ a_1 & -b_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -c_3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_0 & b_0 & 0 & 0 \\ a_1 & -b_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -c_3 \end{pmatrix} = \quad (48)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} a_0^2 - a_1 b_0 & a_0 b_0 - b_0 b_1 & 0 & 0 \\ a_0 a_1 - a_1 b_1 & a_1 b_0 + b_1^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c_3^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & c_3^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (49)$$

$$\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 & -v a_0 & 0 & 0 \\ a_1 & a_0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (50)$$

$$\boxed{a_0^2 + v a_0 a_1 = 1}, \quad c = 1 \quad (51)$$

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$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} t = \tau \cosh \alpha \end{array} \right. \quad (72)$$

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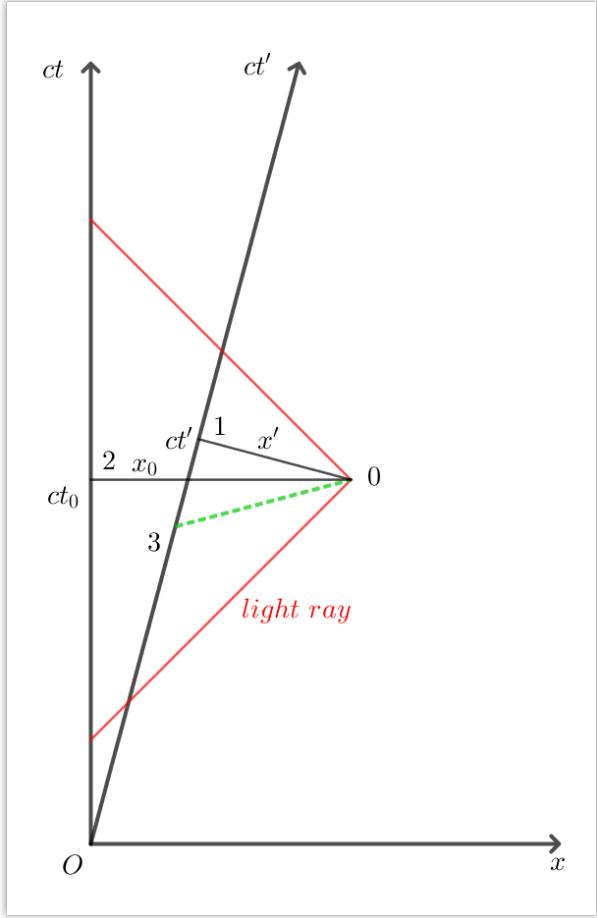
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## 2 Euclidean spacetime



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x - x_0 = -\frac{c^2}{v}(t - t_0) \\ x = vt \end{array} \right. \quad (77)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} t = t_1 \\ x = x_1 \end{array} \right. \quad (78)$$

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$$vt_1 - x_0 = -\frac{c^2}{v}t_1 + \frac{c^2}{v}t_0 \quad (81)$$

$$\left( v + \frac{c^2}{v} \right) t_1 = x_0 + \frac{c^2}{v} t_0 \quad (82)$$

$$\left( \frac{v^2}{c^2} + 1 \right) t_1 = \frac{v}{c^2} x_0 + t_0 \quad (83)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} t_1 = \frac{t_0 + \frac{v}{c^2} x_0}{1 + \frac{v^2}{c^2}} \\ x_1 = vt_1 \end{array} \right. \quad (84)$$

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$$c^2 t'^2 = c^2 t_1^2 + x_1^2 = c^2 t_1^2 + v^2 t_1^2 = (c^2 + v^2) t_1^2 = \left(1 + \frac{v^2}{c^2}\right) c^2 t_1^2 \quad (86)$$

$$t' = \frac{t_0 + \frac{v}{c^2} x_0}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{v^2}{c^2}}} \quad (87)$$

$$t_1 - t_0 = \frac{t_0 + \frac{v}{c^2} x_0 - t_0 - \frac{v^2}{c^2} t_0}{1 + \frac{v^2}{c^2}} = \frac{\frac{v}{c^2} (x_0 - vt_0)}{1 + \frac{v^2}{c^2}} \quad (88)$$

$$x_0 - x_1 = x_0 - vt_1 = x_0 - \frac{vt_0 + \frac{v^2}{c^2} x_0}{1 + \frac{v^2}{c^2}} = \frac{x_0 + \frac{v^2}{c^2} x_0 - vt_0 - \frac{v^2}{c^2} x_0}{1 + \frac{v^2}{c^2}} = \frac{x_0 - vt_0}{1 + \frac{v^2}{c^2}} \quad (89)$$

$$x'^2 = [c(t_1 - t_0)]^2 + (x_0 - x_1)^2 = \left(1 + \frac{v^2}{c^2}\right) \left(\frac{x_0 - vt_0}{1 + \frac{v^2}{c^2}}\right)^2 \quad (90)$$

$$x' = \frac{x_0 - vt_0}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{v^2}{c^2}}} \quad (91)$$


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$$\begin{cases} t' = \frac{t_0 + \frac{v}{c^2} x_0}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{v^2}{c^2}}} \\ x' = \frac{x_0 - vt_0}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{v^2}{c^2}}} \end{cases} \quad (92)$$

(93)