



Physics 2D Lecture Slides

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Waves/Interference/Diffraction Refresher

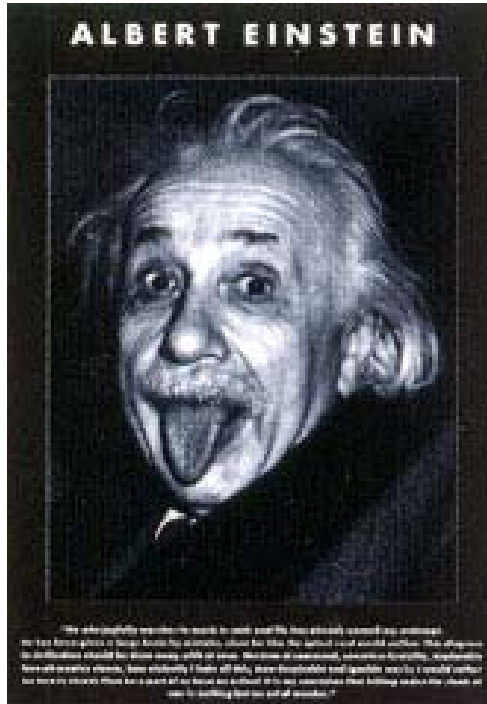
- Brian Wecht's streaming video and lecture notes available
 - <http://tijuana.ucsd.edu/sharma/review>
- You will need Quicktime 6 player (MPEG 4) to view it
 - Should “just work” at UCSD computers (CLICS/GIESEL etc)
 - For Cable Modem/DSL Users => Sitting behind a firewall?
 - Need to get in DMZ zone to prevent UDP port blocking
 - Or see Quicktime Website for UDP ports needed for streaming
- Email problems / feedback to 2dvideo@physics.ucsd.edu
 - This gets forwarded also to our technical staff conducting the experiment
 - Feedback greatly appreciated !

Einstein's Theory of Relativity

- Einstein's ^{??} Postulates of SR

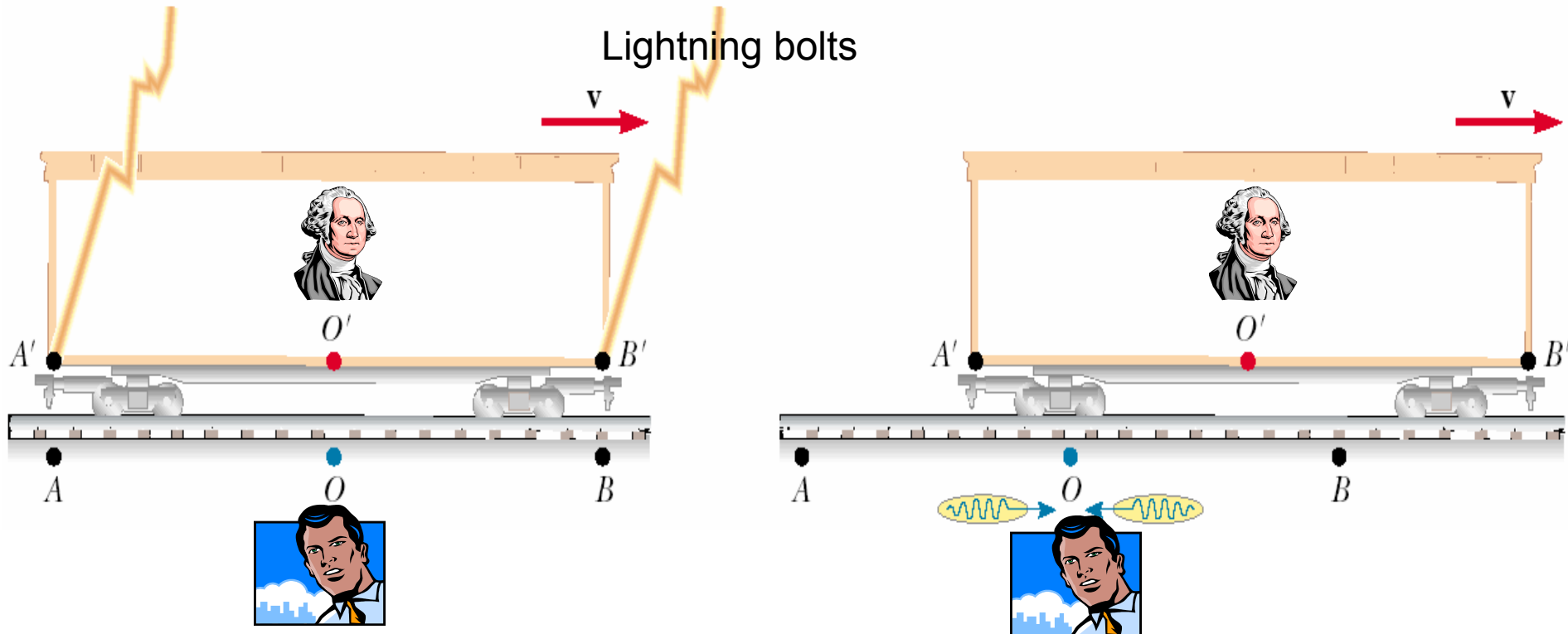
- The laws of physics must be the same in all inertial reference frames
- The speed of light in vacuum has the same value, in all inertial frames, regardless of the velocity of the observer or the velocity of the source emitting the light.

$$c = 3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$



Consequences of Special Relativity

Simultaneity: When two events occur at **same time**, held absolute for Classical Phys

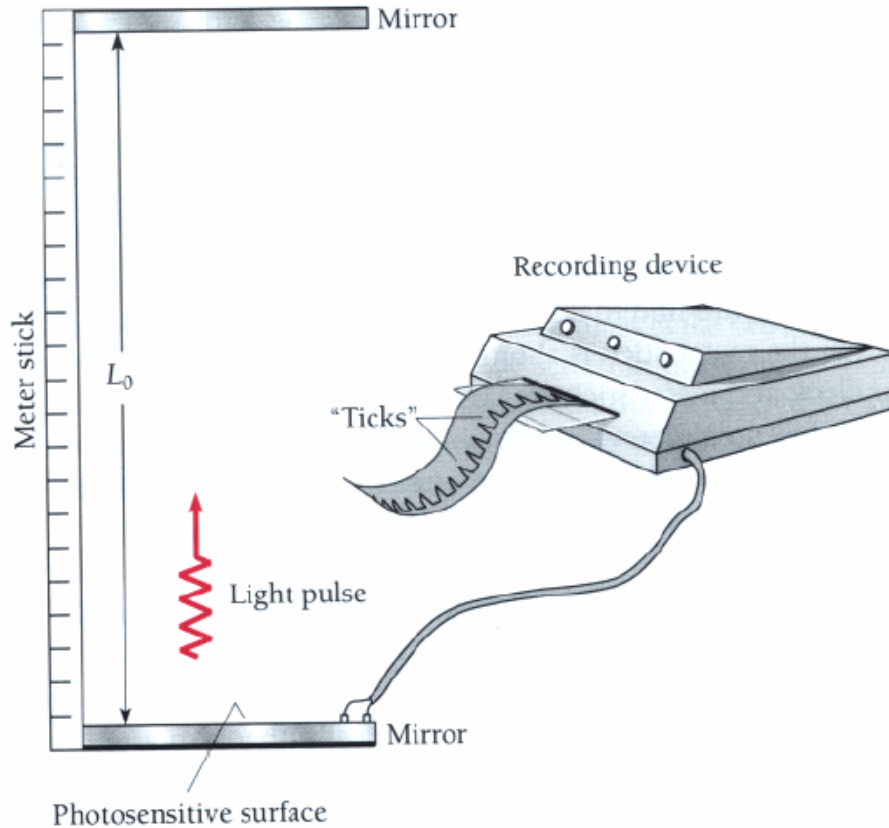


Events that are simultaneous for one Observer are **not simultaneous** for another Observer in relative motion

Simultaneity is not absolute !!

Time interval depends on the Reference frame it is measured in

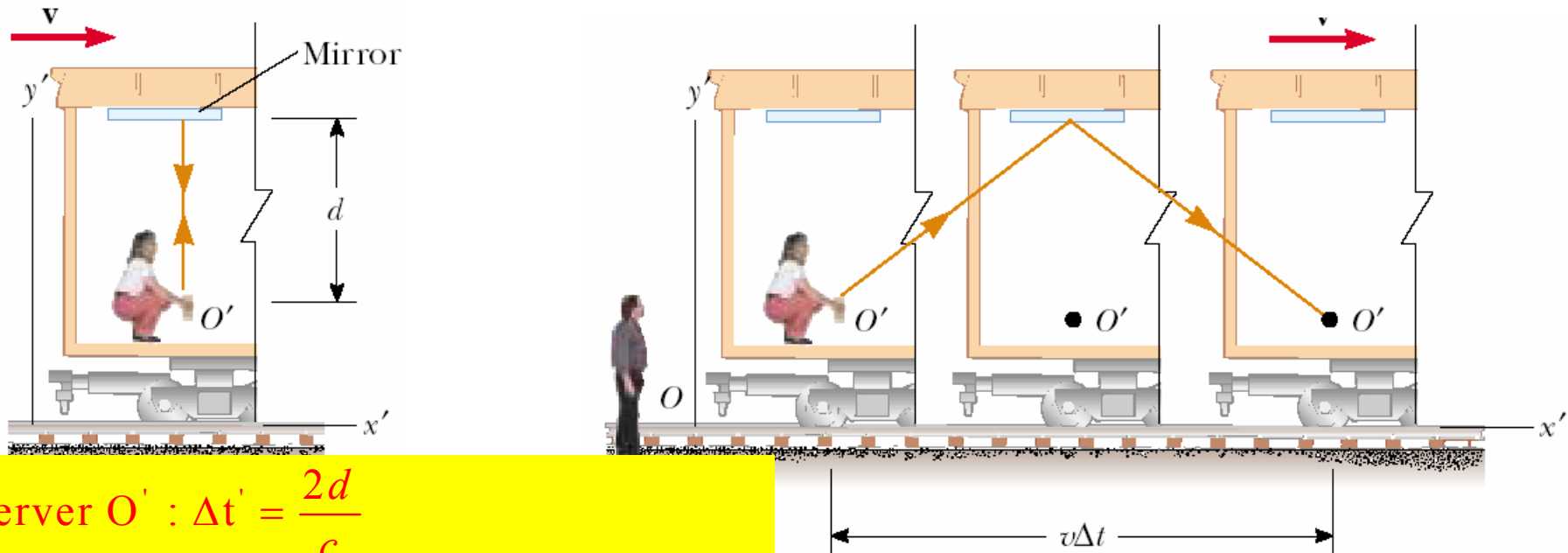
A Simple Clock Measuring a Time Interval



$$t = \int \Delta t$$

Time Dilation and Proper Time

Watching a time interval with a simple clock



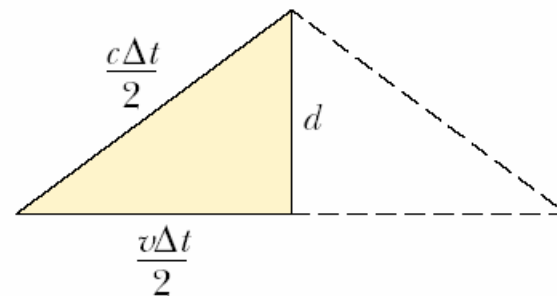
Observer O' : $\Delta t' = \frac{2d}{c}$

Observer O : Apply Pythagoras Theorem

$$\left(\frac{c\Delta t}{2}\right)^2 = (d)^2 + \left(\frac{v\Delta t}{2}\right)^2, \text{ but } d = \left(\frac{c\Delta t'}{2}\right)$$

$$\therefore c^2 (\Delta t)^2 = c^2 (\Delta t')^2 + v^2 (\Delta t)^2$$

$$\therefore \Delta t = \frac{\Delta t'}{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2}} = \gamma \Delta t', \Delta t > \Delta t'$$

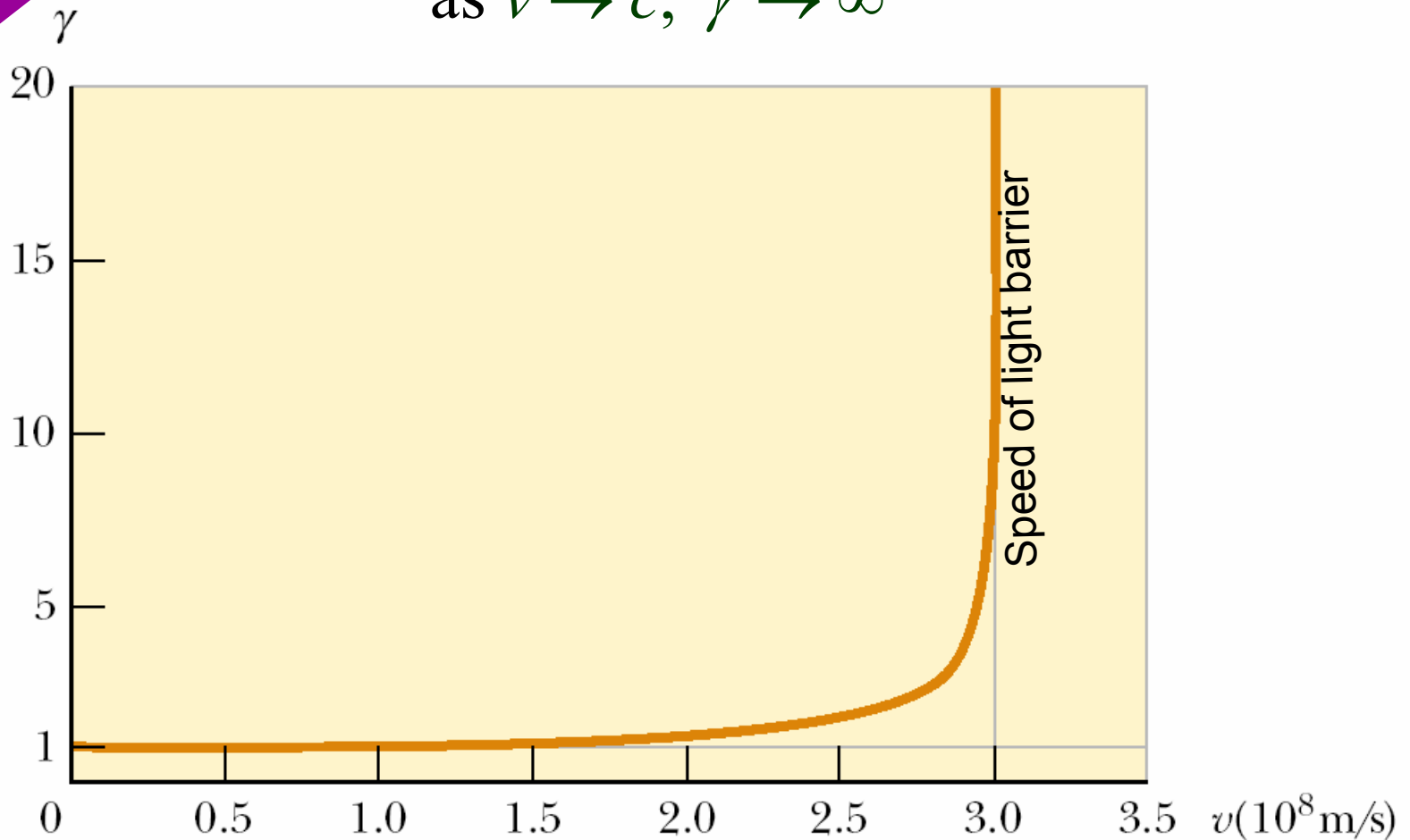


The γ factor

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

as $v \rightarrow 0$, $\gamma \rightarrow 1$

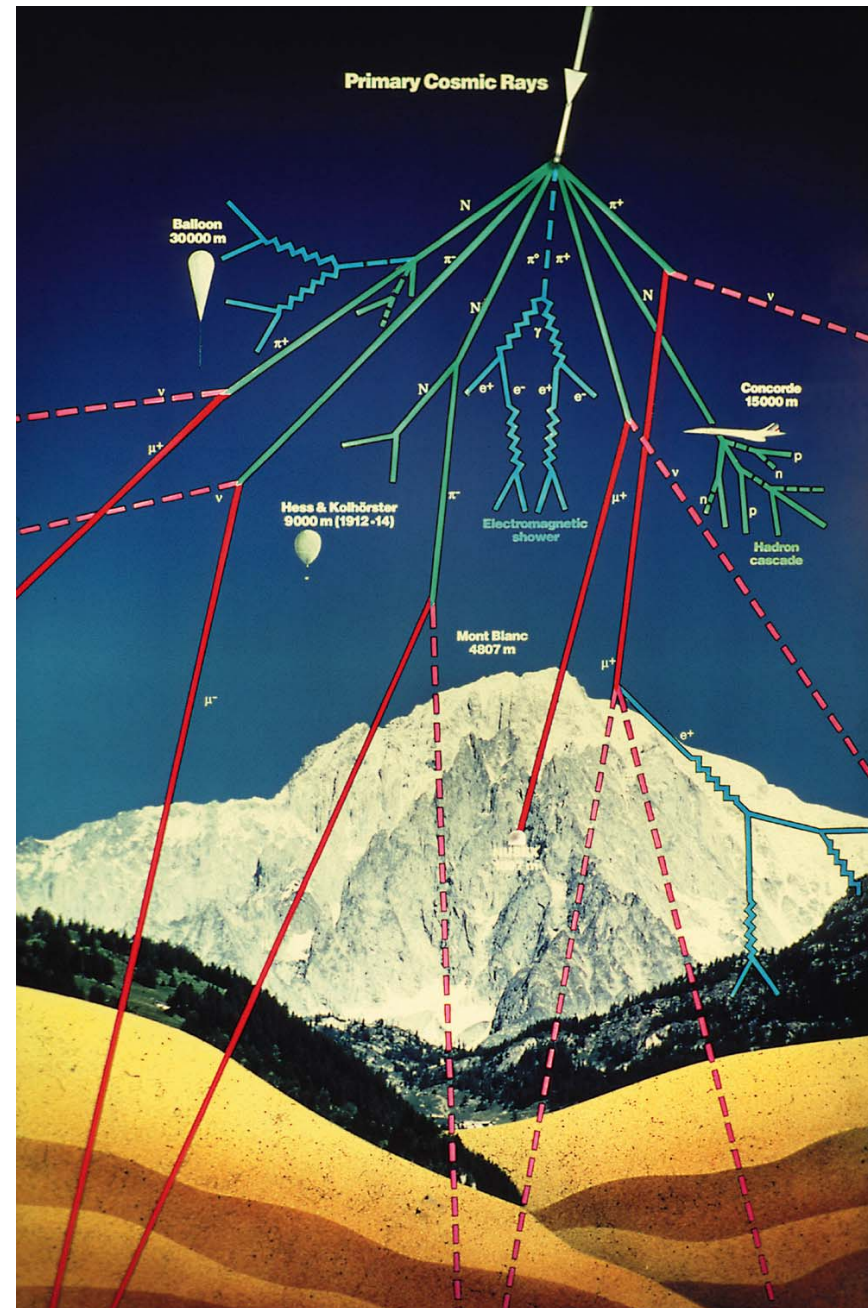
as $v \rightarrow c$, $\gamma \rightarrow \infty$



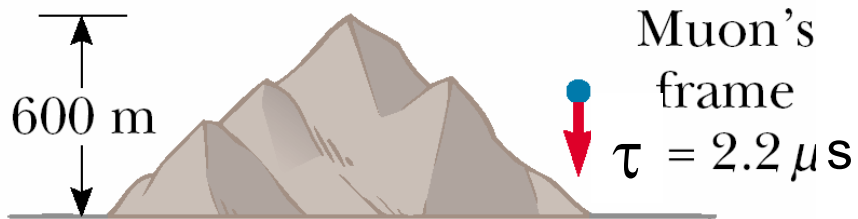
Time Dilation e.g: Cosmic Rays Bombarding Earth

- Cosmic rays are messengers from space
- Produced in violent collisions in the cosmos
- Typical Kinetic energy ~ 100 GeV
- Smash into Earth's outer atmosphere
 - **4700** m from sea level
- Sometimes produce short lived **Muons**

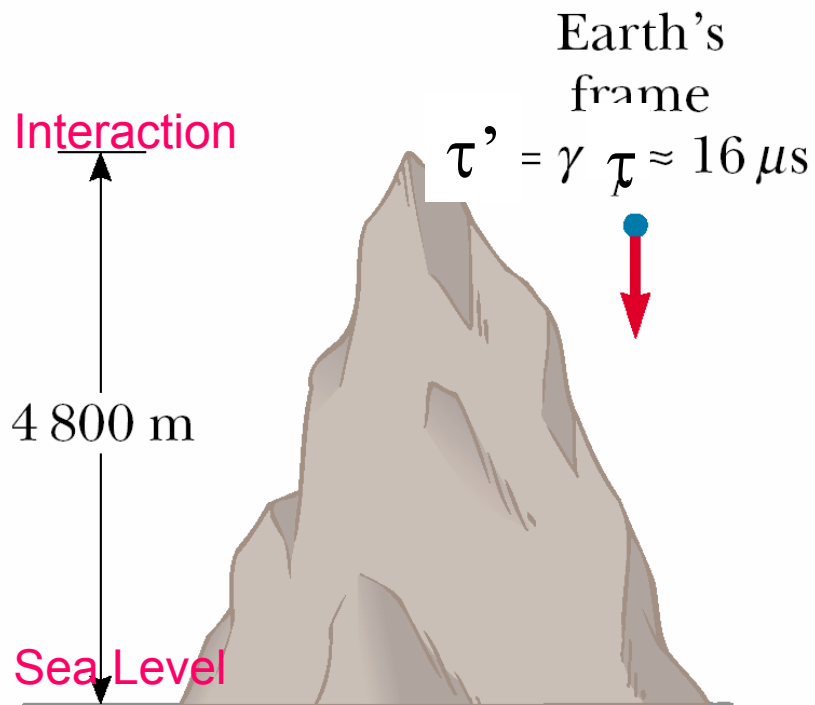
- **Muon is electron like charged particle**
 - ~ 200 times heavier , same charge
 - Lifetime $\tau = 2.2\mu\text{s} = 2.2 \times 10^{-6}$ s
 - Produced with speed $v \equiv c$
 - Distance traveled in its lifetime
- $$d = c\tau = 650\text{m}$$
- Yet they seem to reach the surface!!
 - Why => **Time Dilation**
 - Must pay attention to **frames of references** involved



Cosmic Rays Are Falling On Earth : Example of Time Dilation



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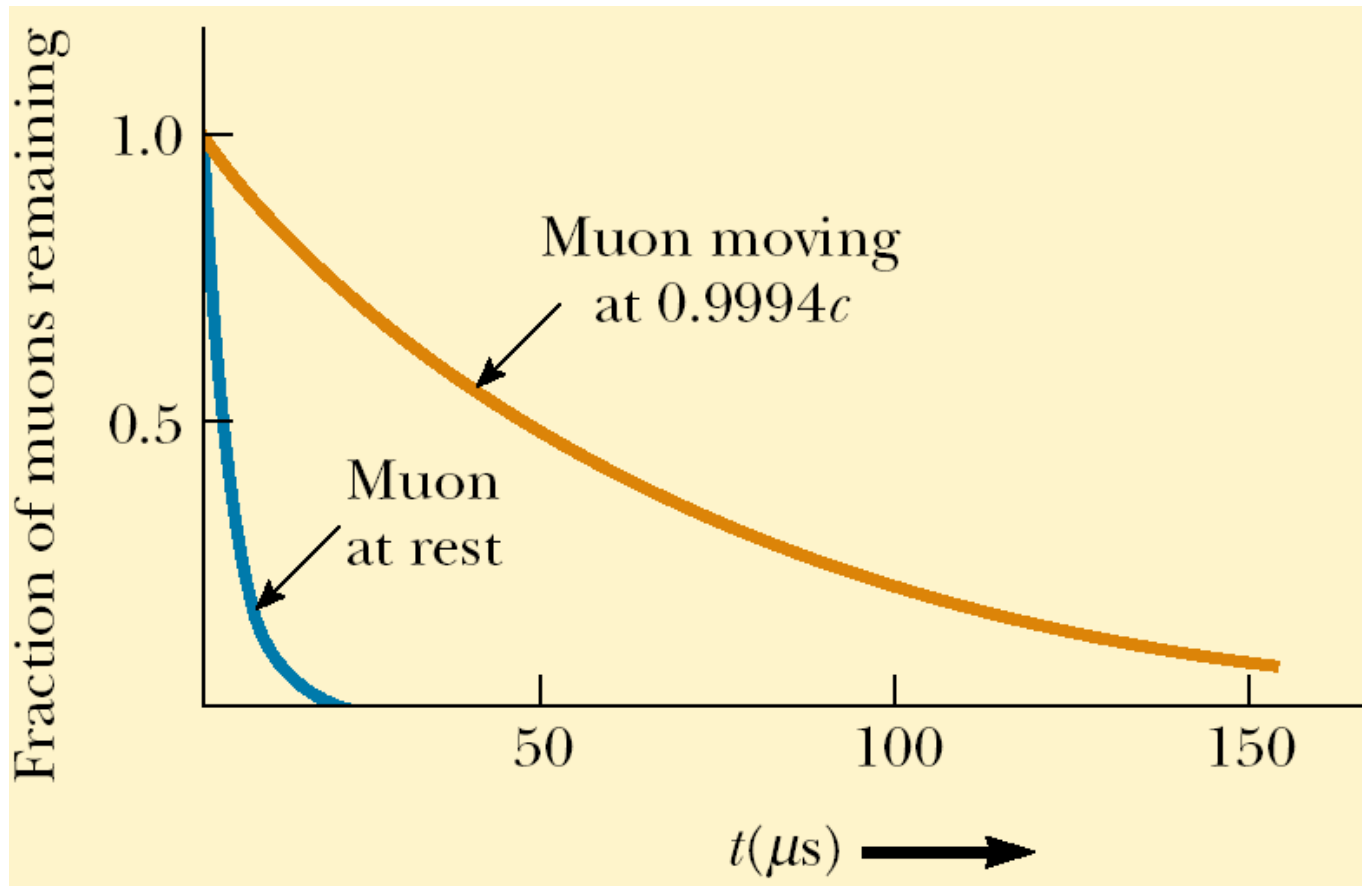
- Two frames of references
 1. Riding on the Muon
 2. On surface of earth
- Muon Rider has “Proper Time”
 - Time measured by observer moving along with clock
 - $\Delta t' = \tau = 2.2 \mu s$
 - $D' = v \Delta t' = 650m$
 - Earthling watches a moving clock (muon's) run slower
 - $\Delta t = \gamma \tau$
 - $v = 0.99c, \Rightarrow \gamma = 7.1$
 - $D = v \Delta t = 4700m$

Muon Decay Distance Distribution

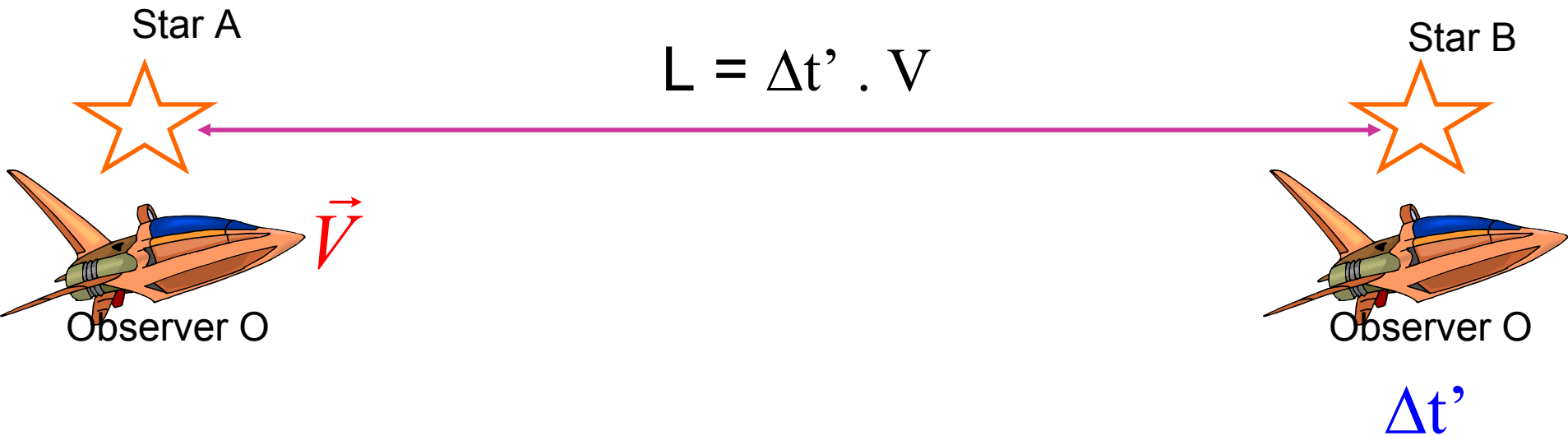
Relative to Observer on Earth Muons have a lifetime

$$t = \gamma\tau = 7.1 \tau$$

Exponential Decay time Distribution : As in Radioactivity



Offsetting Penalty : Length Contraction



$$\Delta t = L' / V$$



Observer O'
At rest w.r.t stars A & B
Watches rocketship cross from
Star A to Star B in time Δt

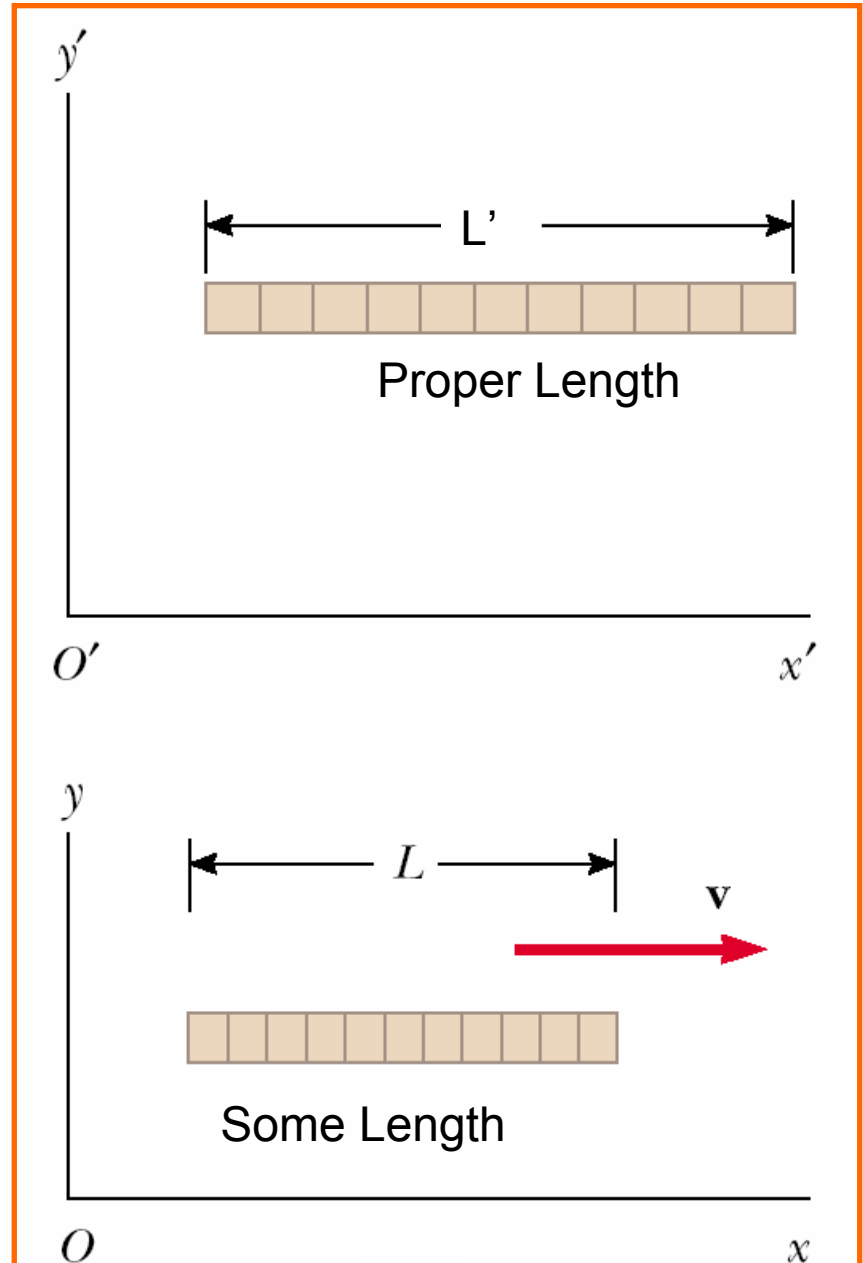
Rocketman Vs The Earthling

- Earth Observer saw rocketman take time $\Delta t = (L' / V)$
- Rocketman says he is at rest, Star B moving towards him with speed V from right passed him by in time $\Delta t'$, so
 - $L = \Delta t' \cdot V$
 - But $\Delta t' = \Delta t / \gamma$ (time dilation)
 - $\Rightarrow L = V \cdot (\Delta t / \gamma)$
 $= L' / \gamma$

$$L = L' \cdot \sqrt{1 - \frac{V^2}{c^2}}$$

$$L \leq L'$$

Moving Rods Contract in **direction**
Of relative motion



Immediate Consequences of Einstein's Postulates: Recap

- Events that are simultaneous for one Observer are **not simultaneous** for another Observer in relative motion
- **Time Dilation** : Clocks in motion relative to an Observer appear to slow down by factor γ
- **Length Contraction** : Lengths of Objects in motion appear to be contracted in the direction of motion by factor γ^{-1}
- **New Definitions** :
 - Proper Time (who measures this ?)
 - Proper Length (who measures this ?)
 - Different clocks for different folks !

Doppler Effect In Sound : reminder from 2A

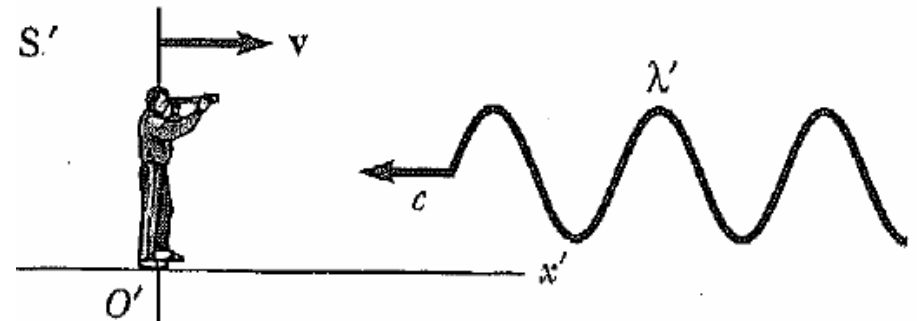
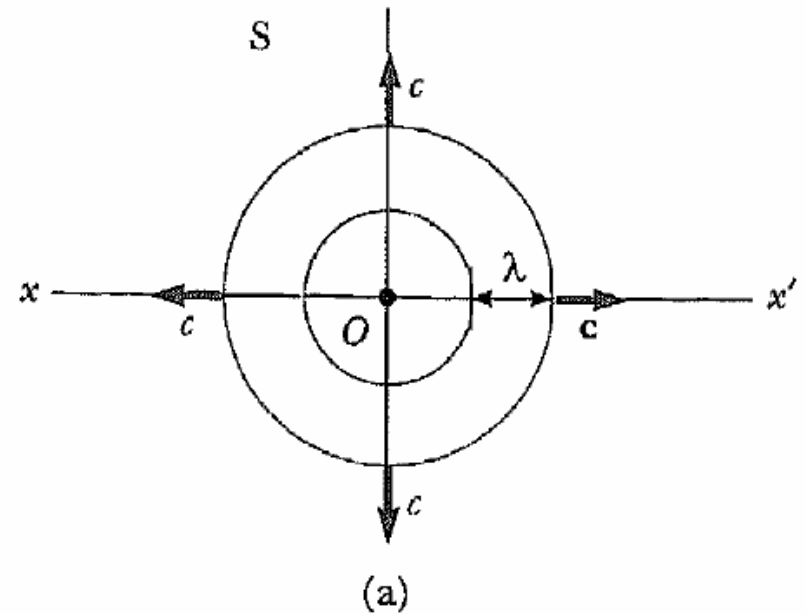


Observed **Frequency** of sound **INCREASES** if emitter moves towards the Observer
Observed **Wavelength** of sound **DECREASES** if emitter moves towards the Observer

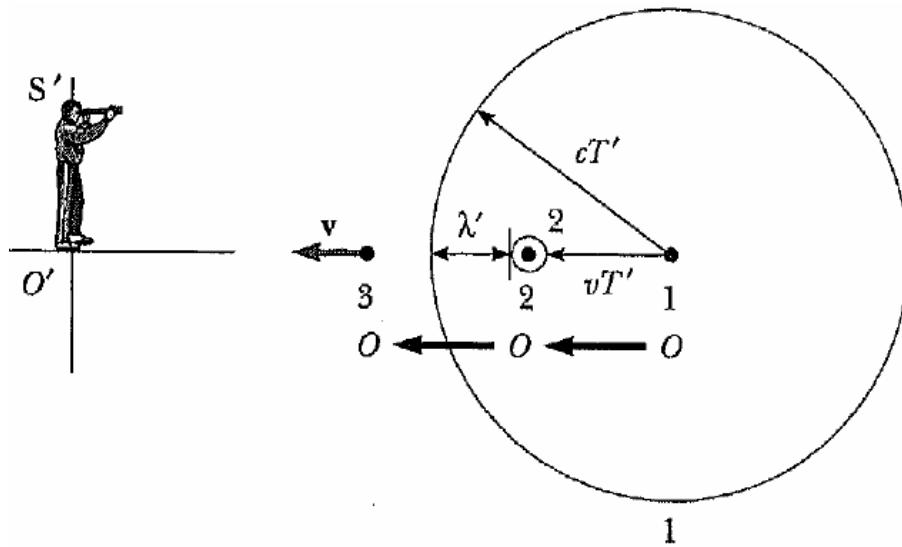
$$v = f \lambda$$

Time Dilation Example: Relativistic Doppler Shift

- Light : velocity $c = f \lambda$, $f=1/T$
- A source of light S at rest
- Observer S' approaches S with velocity v
- S' measures f' or λ' , $c = f' \lambda'$
- Expect $f' > f$ since more wave crests are being crossed by Observer S' due to its approach direction than if it were at rest w.r.t source S



Relativistic Doppler Shift



$$\lambda' = cT' - vT', \text{ use } f = c / \lambda$$

$$f' = \frac{c}{(c-v)T'}, \quad T' = \frac{T}{\sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}}$$

Substituting for T' , use $f = 1/T$

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

$$\Rightarrow f' = \frac{\sqrt{1 + (v/c)}}{\sqrt{1 - (v/c)}} f$$

better remembered as:

$$f_{\text{obs}} = \frac{\sqrt{1 + (v/c)}}{\sqrt{1 - (v/c)}} f_{\text{source}}$$

f_{obs} = Freq measured by
observer approaching
light source

Examine two successive wavefronts emitted by S at location 1 and 2

In S' frame, $T' =$ time between two wavefronts

In time T' , the Source moves by cT' w.r.t 1

Meanwhile Light Source moves a distance vT'

Distance between successive wavefront

$$\lambda' = cT' - vT'$$