

Calculating velocities:

4-vector is invariant under Lorentz transform.

$$\vec{\underline{X}} = (\vec{x}, i c t)$$

$$d\underline{X} = (d\vec{x}, i c dt) \quad \text{both invariant}$$

$$ds = \sqrt{dx_\mu dx_\mu} = \text{invariant},$$

$$\text{so } d\tau = \frac{ds}{c} \text{ is also.} \quad = \text{"proper time"}$$

i. define $\vec{U} = \frac{d\vec{\underline{X}}}{d\tau}$ 4-vector velocity.
 $= \left(\frac{d\vec{x}}{d\tau}, i c \frac{dt}{d\tau} \right)$

"ordinary velocity" $\vec{u} = \frac{dx_i}{dt}$

$$d\tau = \pm \sqrt{dx_i dx_i - c^2 dt^2}$$

$$= dt \sqrt{1 - \frac{dx_i dx_i}{c^2 dt^2}} = dt \sqrt{1 - u^2/c^2}$$

$\therefore \vec{U} = (\vec{u} \gamma_u, i c \gamma_u)$ w/ $\gamma_u = (1 - u^2/c^2)^{-1/2} > 1$

4-vector mass. $\vec{P} \equiv m_0 \vec{U}$ $m_0 = \text{rest mass}$

$$= \left(m_0 \gamma_u \vec{u}, m_0 \gamma_u \cdot i c \right)$$

define effective mass

$$m' = m_0 \gamma_u$$

Example: motion under constant force

$$\vec{F} = \frac{d\vec{P}}{dt} \quad \text{w/ } P=0 \text{ at } t=0$$

$$P(t) = Ft = \frac{m_0 u}{\sqrt{1 - u^2/c^2}}$$

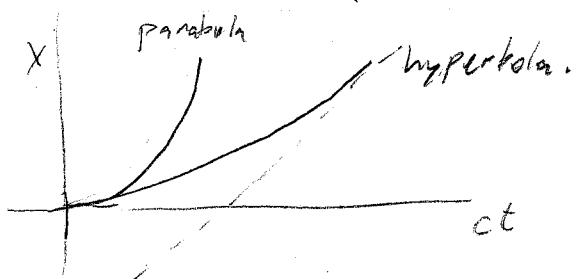
$$\frac{(Ft)^2}{m_0 c^2} = \frac{u/c}{1 - u^2/c^2}$$

$$\text{Solve for } u \rightarrow \frac{(F/m_0)t}{\sqrt{1 + (Ft/m_0c^2)^2}}$$

numeration is classical result.

integrate to get $x(t)$:

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= \frac{E}{m_0} \int_0^t \frac{t' dt'}{\sqrt{1 + (Ft'/m_0c^2)^2}} \\ &= \frac{m_0 c^2}{F} \sqrt{1 + (Ft'/m_0c^2)^2} \Big|_0^t \\ &= \frac{m_0 c^2}{F} (\sqrt{t} - 1) \end{aligned}$$



energy in relativistic motion

$$3\text{-D force } \vec{F} = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{m_0 \vec{u}}{\sqrt{1 - u^2/c^2}} \right)$$

calc work done on particle

$$\vec{F} \cdot \vec{u} = \frac{dT}{dt} = \vec{u} \cdot \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{m_0 \vec{u}}{\sqrt{1 - u^2/c^2}} \right)$$

can show this can be written as

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{m_0 c^2}{\sqrt{1 - u^2/c^2}} \right) \quad (\text{see next page})$$

But total energy is $m_0 c^2 / \sqrt{1 - u^2/c^2}$

if particle is at rest at $t=0$

total energy is

$$W = T + m_0 c^2 = m c^2$$

\hookrightarrow rel. mass

connect total energy to momentum

$$\text{note } \vec{P} \cdot \vec{P} = \frac{m_0^2 u^2}{(1 - u^2/c^2)} - \frac{m_0^2 c^2}{(1 - u^2/c^2)} = -m_0^2 c^2 \frac{(-u^2/c^2 + 1)}{(1 - u^2/c^2)}$$

$$= P^2 - m_0^2 c^2 = -m_0^2 c^2$$

since $W = m c^2$

$$W^2 = m_0^2 c^4 = P^2 c^2 + m_0^2 c^4$$

useful in kinematics

for massless photons $m_0 \rightarrow 0$ $W = p c = h k \cdot c = h \nu$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left(\frac{m_0 \vec{u}}{\sqrt{1 - u^2/c^2}} \right) \cdot \vec{u} &= \frac{m_0 \vec{u}' \cdot \vec{u}}{\sqrt{1 - u^2/c^2}} + \frac{m_0 \vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}}{(1 - u^2/c^2)^{3/2}} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \left(-\frac{2}{c^2} \vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}' \right) \\
 &= \frac{m_0 \vec{u}' \cdot \vec{u}}{\sqrt{1 - u^2/c^2}} \left(1 + \frac{u^2/c^2}{1 - u^2/c^2} \right) \\
 &= \frac{m_0 \vec{u}' \cdot \vec{u}}{(1 - u^2/c^2)^{3/2}} \left(1 - \frac{u^2}{c^2} + \frac{u^2}{c^2} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

compare to

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{m_0 c^2}{\sqrt{1 - u^2/c^2}} \right) = m_0 c^2 \frac{\left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) \left(-\frac{2}{c^2} (\vec{u}' \cdot \vec{u}) \right)}{(1 - u^2/c^2)^{3/2}} \quad \checkmark$$

Example - compton scattering

Photon collides w/ free electron



cons. momentum in vertical direction

$$p_e \sin \theta = \frac{E'_0}{c} \sin \theta$$

horiz.

$$\frac{E_0}{c} = \frac{E'_0}{c} \cos \theta + p_e \cos \phi = \frac{E'_0}{c} \cos \theta + p_e \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{E'_0 \sin \theta}{c p_e}\right)^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} p_e^2 c^2 &= (E_0 - E'_0 \cos \theta)^2 + (E'_0 \sin \theta)^2 \\ &= E_0^2 + E'_0^2 - 2 E_0 E'_0 \cos \theta \end{aligned}$$

Finally cons. energy:

$$\begin{aligned} E_0 + m_e c^2 &= E'_0 + \sqrt{m_e^2 c^4 + p_e^2 c^2} \\ &= E'_0 + \sqrt{m_e^2 c^4 + E_0^2 + E'_0^2 - 2 E_0 E'_0 \cos \theta} \end{aligned}$$

Find E'_0 :

$$\rightarrow E'_0 = \frac{1}{(1 - \cos \theta) m_e c^2 + 1/E_0}$$

$$\text{let } E_0 = h\bar{\nu}/\lambda$$

$$\frac{\lambda'}{\lambda} = \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{m_e c^2} + \frac{\lambda}{h\bar{\nu}}$$

$$\Delta \lambda = \lambda' - \lambda = \frac{h}{m_e c} (1 - \cos \theta) \quad \text{compton shift}$$

$$\frac{h}{m_e c} \sim \frac{2 \times 10^{-34}}{10^{30} \cdot 3 \times 10^8} \sim 2 \times 10^{-42} \text{ m} = .02 \text{ \AA}$$

large for x-rays.

ϕ, \vec{A} and gauge invariance

static $\vec{E} = -\nabla\phi$ $\vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A}$ (always, since $\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$)

dynamics:

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$= \nabla \times (\vec{E} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t}) = 0$$

i. dynamic case $-\nabla\phi = \vec{E} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t}$

$$\vec{E} = -\nabla\phi - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t}$$

Gauge transformation:

adding $\vec{\nabla}\xi$ to \vec{A} leaves \vec{B} unaffected

$$\vec{A}' = \vec{A} + \vec{\nabla}\xi$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{A}' = \nabla \times \vec{A} + \nabla \times (\vec{\nabla}\xi)$$

now $\vec{E}' = -\nabla\phi - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\vec{A}' + \vec{\nabla}\xi)$

$$= -\vec{\nabla}(\phi - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial t}) - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t}$$

i. must also modify ϕ :

$$\phi' = \phi - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial t}$$

$\nabla \times \vec{A} = \vec{B}$ doesn't fully specify \vec{A}

i. add condition on $\nabla \cdot \vec{A}$

$$= -\frac{1}{c} \frac{d\phi}{dt}$$

Lorentz gauge

$$= 0$$

covariant gauge