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• $V = \text{vect sp}$, $\dim V = n$
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 $\underline{v}, \underline{w}, \dots$ basis $\{\underline{e}_i\}_{i=1}^n$

• $V^* = \text{Lin}(V, \mathbb{R})$ also a vector sp
of dim n -
 ψ
 $\underline{\alpha}, \underline{\beta}, \dots$ basis $\{\underline{f}_i\}_{i=1}^n$ w/ $\underline{f}_i(\underline{e}_j) = \delta_{ij}$

Notation: $\underline{\alpha}(\underline{v}) \equiv \langle \underline{\alpha}, \underline{v} \rangle \in \mathbb{R}$

Thm $V^{**} \cong V$ ($n < \infty$)

$\{ \}_{i=1}^n$

vector sp

n

$\{ \}_{i=1}^n$ w/ $f^i(e_j) = \delta_{ij}$

$$\langle \underline{\alpha}, \underline{v} \rangle \in \mathbb{R}$$

$\langle \infty \rangle$

$$\underline{g}^i := \langle \underline{f}^i, \underline{v} \rangle \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\underline{g} = \sum_{i=1}^n g^i \underline{e}_i \in V$$

$$\alpha_i = \langle \underline{\alpha}, \underline{e}_i \rangle \in \mathbb{R}$$

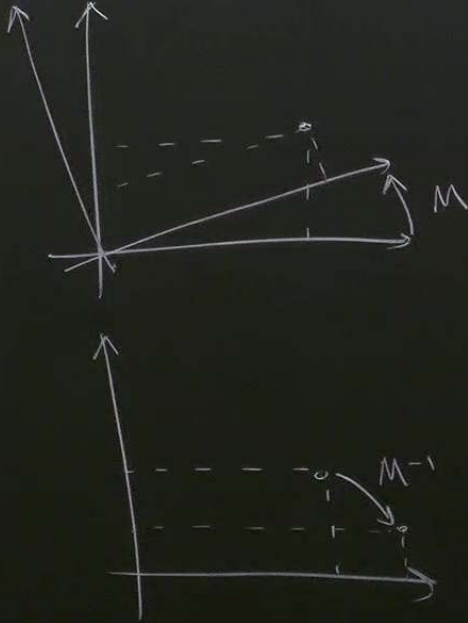
$$\underline{\alpha} = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \underline{f}^i \in V^*$$

$$M \in \text{Lin}(V, V), M: V \rightarrow V$$

$$M^t: V^* \rightarrow V^* \text{ such that}$$

$$\text{for all } \underline{\alpha}, \underline{v} \quad \langle M^t \underline{\alpha}, \underline{v} \rangle = \langle \underline{\alpha}, M \underline{v} \rangle$$





$$\begin{cases} \underline{u}' = M\underline{u} \\ u'_i = \sum_j M^i_j u_j \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \underline{e}'_i = M e_i \\ v'^i = \sum_j (M^{-1})^i_j v^j \end{cases}$$

$$M^i_j = \langle \underline{f}^i, M \underline{e}_j \rangle$$

$$\alpha'_i = \sum_j \alpha_j M^j_i$$

$$A: V \rightarrow V$$

$$A^i_j = \langle \underline{f}^i, A \underline{e}_j \rangle$$

$$A'^i_j = \langle \underline{f}'^i, A \underline{e}'_j \rangle$$

$$= \sum_{k,l} (M^{-1})^j_k A^k_l M^l_i$$

Note: $A: V \rightarrow V$ can also be thought of as an element of $V \otimes V^*$

$$A = \sum_{k,l} A^k_l \underline{e}_k \otimes \underline{f}^l$$

Tensors

$$T \in \underbrace{V \otimes \dots \otimes V}_k \otimes \underbrace{V^* \otimes \dots \otimes V^*}_l$$

tensor of rank $m = k + l$, of type (k, l)

$$T = \sum_{i_1, \dots, j_s} T^{i_1 \dots i_k}_{j_1 \dots j_l} e_{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{i_k} \otimes f_{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes f_{j_l}$$

$$T_{ij} \quad \text{vs} \quad S^{ij} \quad \text{vs} \quad U^i_j$$

Einstein's convention

$$U^i_{kp} = T^{\underline{ij}}_{\underline{kl}} S^{\underline{l}}_{\underline{p}}$$

$$= \sum_{i,l} (\dots)$$

$$A^i_i = \sum_i A^i_i \quad (\text{trace})$$

$$= \sum_{ij} A^i_j \langle \underline{f}^i, \underline{e}_j \rangle$$

Gradients

$$f \in C^\infty(V)$$

rethink of $v \in V$ as a directional
derivative i.e. $v: C^\infty(V) \rightarrow C^\infty(V)$

$$f \mapsto v(f) \text{ s.t. } \underline{v}(f)(\underline{w}) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\underline{w} + \epsilon v) - f(\underline{w})}{\epsilon}$$

Basis:

$$\nabla_i f := \underline{e}_i(f) \text{ gradient of } f$$

$$\hookrightarrow \underline{v}(f) = \sum_i v^i \nabla_i f$$

Rmk f & $\underline{v}(f)$ are basis indep \Rightarrow gradient^{of f} is a covector

4-vectors in relativity

$$i \mapsto \mu = 0, \underbrace{1, 2, 3}_i$$

We now have a metric

$$\eta : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$\eta \in V^* \otimes V^*$$

Orthonormal basis $\{\underline{e}_\mu\}_{\mu=0}^3$

$$\text{s.t. } \eta(\underline{e}_0, \underline{e}_0) = -1 \quad \eta(\underline{e}_i, \underline{e}_j) = \delta_{ij}$$

$$\eta_{\mu\nu} X^\mu Y^\nu = \eta_{\mu\nu} \underbrace{\Lambda^\mu_{\mu'}}_{\Lambda^\mu_{\mu'}} \underbrace{X^{\mu'} \Lambda^\nu_{\nu'}}_{\Lambda^\nu_{\nu'}} Y^{\nu'}$$

$$[\Lambda^T \eta \Lambda = \eta]$$

$$X^\nu \eta_{\mu\nu} \Lambda^\mu_{\mu'} \Lambda^\nu_{\nu'} = \eta_{\mu'\nu'}$$

$$(X^\nu \eta_{\mu\nu}) \Lambda^\mu_{\mu'} = \eta_{\mu'\nu'} [(\Lambda^{-1})^{\nu'}_{\nu} X^\nu]$$

$$\eta : V \rightarrow V^*$$

$$X^\mu \mapsto \alpha_\nu = \eta_{\mu\nu} X^\mu$$

$$\{e_\mu\}_{\mu=0}^3$$

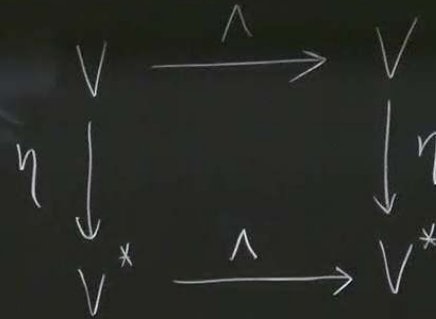
$$\eta(e_i, e_j) = \delta_{ij}$$

$$\underbrace{\Lambda^\mu{}_\nu X^\nu}_{\text{covariant}} \quad \underbrace{\Lambda^\nu{}_\mu X^\mu}_{\text{contravariant}}$$

$$v^\nu = \eta^{\mu\nu} v_\mu$$

$$= \eta^{\mu\nu} \left[(\Lambda^{-1})^\nu{}_{\nu'} X^{\nu'} \right]$$

$$v^*_{\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} X^\mu$$



Therefore, as long as we restrict changes of bases to Lorentz transf., it makes sense to denote

$\eta_{\mu\nu} X^\nu$ by X_μ
(here η is fixed)



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Lorentz algebra revisited

$so(1,3)$ basis $\{J_i, K_i\}$

$$J_{\alpha\beta} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \alpha = \beta \\ -K_i & \text{if } \alpha = 0, \beta = i \\ K_i & \text{if } \alpha = i, \beta = 0 \\ \epsilon_{ij}^k J_k & \text{if } \alpha, \beta = (i, j) \end{cases}$$

$$[J_{\alpha\beta}, J_{\gamma\delta}] = -\eta_{\alpha\gamma} J_{\beta\delta} + \eta_{\beta\gamma} J_{\alpha\delta}$$

INDICES HAVE
 DIFFERENT STATUS!

$$(J_{\alpha\beta})^\mu{}_\nu = \delta_{\alpha\nu}^\mu \eta_{\beta\mu} - \delta_{\beta\nu}^\mu \eta_{\alpha\mu}$$

$$\Lambda^T \eta \Lambda = \eta \quad \Lambda = \mathbb{1} + \epsilon \lambda + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$$

$$\lambda^T \eta = -\eta \lambda \quad (*)$$

With index notation:

$$\lambda^\mu{}_\nu = \frac{1}{2} \lambda^{\alpha\beta} (J_{\alpha\beta})^\mu{}_\nu, \quad \lambda^{\alpha\beta} = -\lambda^{\beta\alpha} \quad (1)$$

$\mathfrak{so}(1,3)$

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(2)

antisym tensor product

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$$\frac{4 \times 3}{2} = 6$$

antisym tensor product

s.t. $\underline{v}(x) = \frac{dx^i}{dt} \in$

gradient of f

$$\underline{\nabla} F = (\nabla_i F) \underline{f}^i$$

Generalizes to
 $\underline{v}(x)$ vector field
 $\underline{e}_i(x)$

off γ

dep \Rightarrow gradient is a covector

work $L(\underline{v}_\alpha, \underline{v}_\beta) = -\eta_{\alpha\gamma} \underline{v}^\gamma + \eta_{\beta\delta} \underline{v}^\delta$

INDICES HAVE DIFFERENT STATUS! $+\eta_{\alpha\delta} \underline{J}_{\beta\gamma} - \eta_{\beta\delta} \underline{J}_{\alpha\gamma}$

$$\underline{\underline{J}}_{\alpha\beta}^M = \delta_{\alpha\beta}^M - \delta_{\beta\alpha}^M$$

$$\Lambda^T \eta$$

$$\chi^T \eta$$

With η

$$\underline{\underline{J}}^M$$

$\mathbb{R}^{1,3}$

\otimes be

These

SPACETIME INTERVAL

$$\underline{v} \in \mathbb{R}^{1,3}$$

$$v^2 \equiv |\underline{v}|_\eta^2 = \eta_{\mu\nu} v^\mu v^\nu = -(v^0)^2 + (\vec{v})^2$$

When $v^\mu = X_1^\mu - X_0^\mu$ then

$$(\Delta X)^2 = -(\Delta X^0)^2 + (\Delta \vec{X})^2$$

is called the spacetime
Denoted often Δs^2



Relativistic Dynamics

• Newton's second law

$$\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = \vec{F}$$

if $\vec{p} = m\vec{v} \rightarrow m\vec{a} = \vec{F}$

const \downarrow
absolute wrt
Galilean relativity

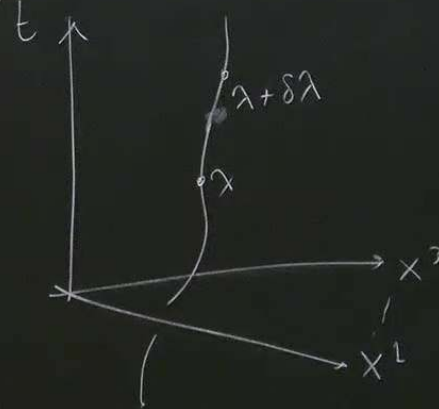
$$\vec{v} \mapsto \vec{v} + \vec{u}$$

$$\vec{a} \mapsto \vec{a}$$

does not hold in Sp Rel!

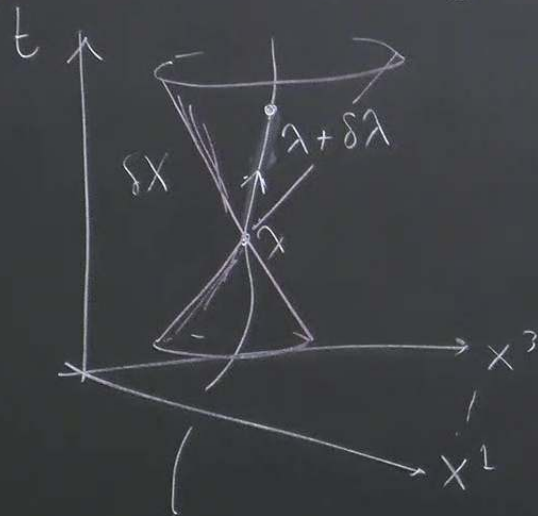
particle history $\vec{X} = \vec{X}(t)$ (Newton)

• spacetime trajectory



$$\lambda \mapsto X^\mu(\lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} t(\lambda) \\ \vec{x}(\lambda) \end{pmatrix}$$

Spacetime trajectory

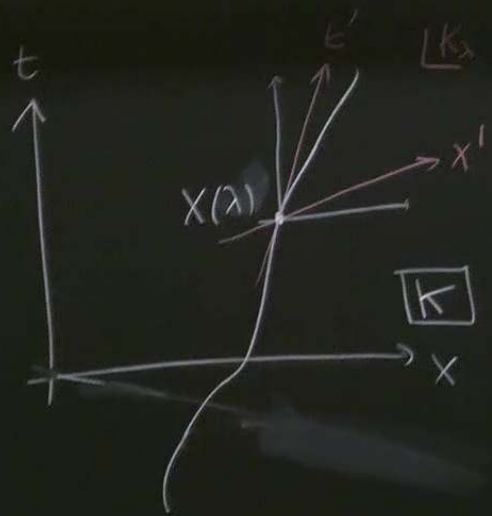


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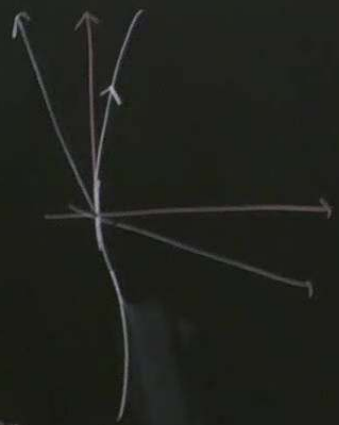
parameter, frame indep,
a priori "unphysical"
(it can be anything)

$$\delta\lambda \mapsto \delta X^\mu = (c\delta t, \delta\vec{X}) \rightarrow \delta s^2 = -c^2\delta t^2 + |\delta\vec{X}|^2 \quad \text{frame independent.}$$

Rmk if trajectory is subluminal (causal)
 $\Rightarrow \delta s^2 < 0$



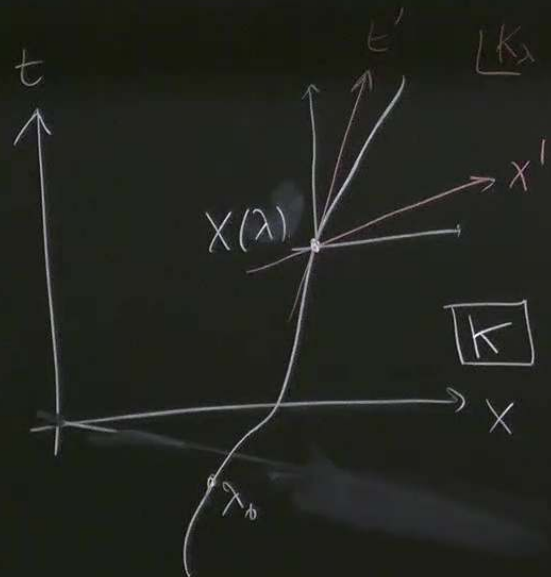
instantaneous rest frame K_x



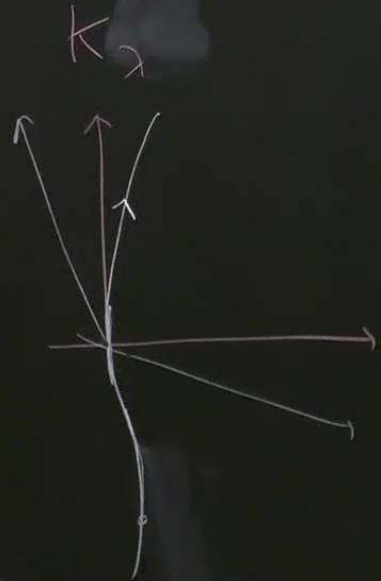
$$\delta s^2 = -c^2 \delta t^2 + |\delta \vec{x}|^2$$

$$= -c^2 \underbrace{(\delta t')^2}_{\text{proper time}} + \text{zero} \quad (\text{time clicked by moving clock})$$

For a timelike trajectory
 $\delta s^2 = -(\text{proper time})^2$
 FRAME INDEPENDENT



instantaneous rest frame



$$ds^2 = -c^2 dt^2 + |d\vec{x}|^2$$

$$= -c^2 (dt')^2 + \text{zero}$$

proper time (time clicked by moving clock)

For a timelike trajectory
 $\frac{1}{c^2} ds^2 = -(\text{proper time})^2$
 FRAME INDEPENDENT

[Rmk analogous to ...]

$$CT(\lambda) = \int_{\lambda_0}^{\lambda} \sqrt{-ds^2} =$$

ref. point

For a timelike trajectory
 $\frac{1}{c^2} \delta s^2 = -(\text{proper time})^2$
FRAME INDEPENDENT

[Rmk analogous to arc length]

$$CT(\lambda) = \int_{\lambda_0}^{\lambda} \sqrt{-ds^2} = \int_{\lambda_0}^{\lambda} \sqrt{-\eta_{\mu\nu} \frac{dx^\mu}{d\lambda} \frac{dx^\nu}{d\lambda}} d\lambda$$

λ_0
ref. point

clicked by moving clock)