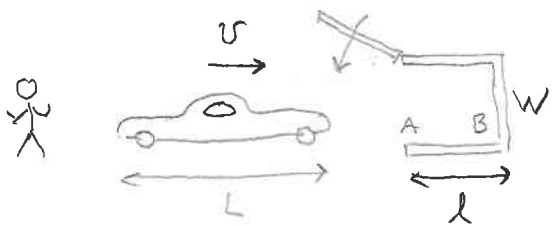


Clocks which are synchronous in a moving frame are not synchronous when viewed by a stationary observer. The downstream clock reads the same time as the upstream clock $\frac{v}{c^2} l$ later.

Solves parking garage paradox



$$L > l$$

But parking fee collect when reckless parking attendant driver can

so fast that $L/\gamma < l$ and quickly closes garage door.

- Stationary car owner see stationary clocks at A+B read the same time when door closes but car has not hit wall W.
- Driver sees collision with the wall before the door closes. A reads an earlier time than B

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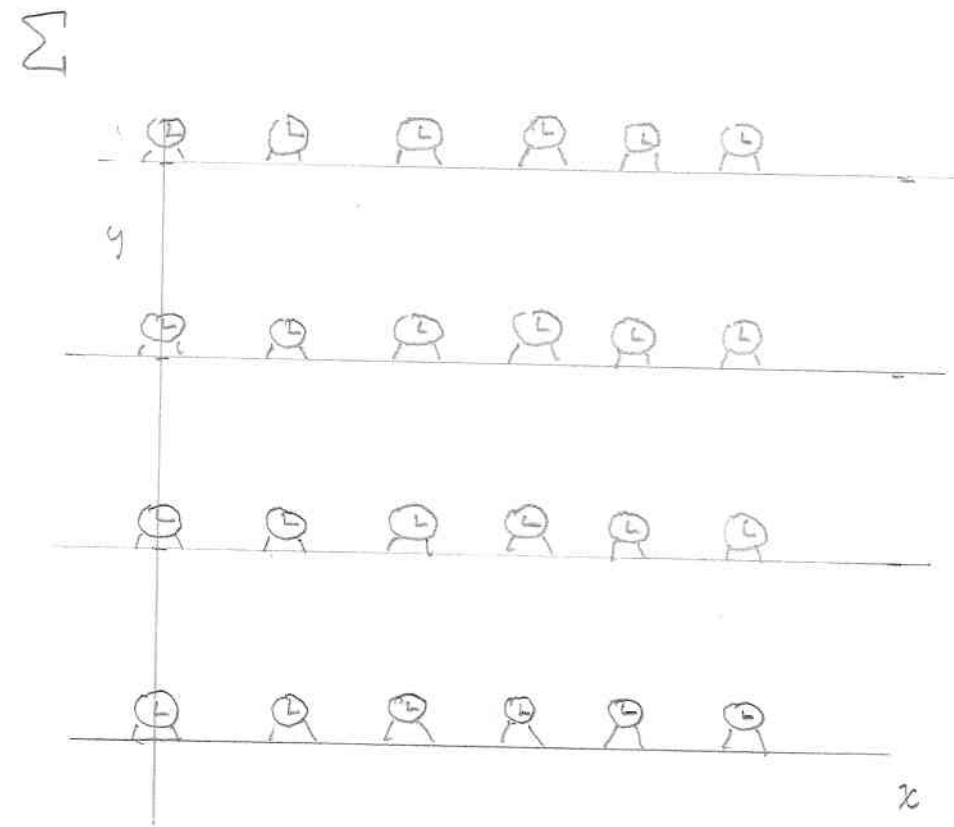
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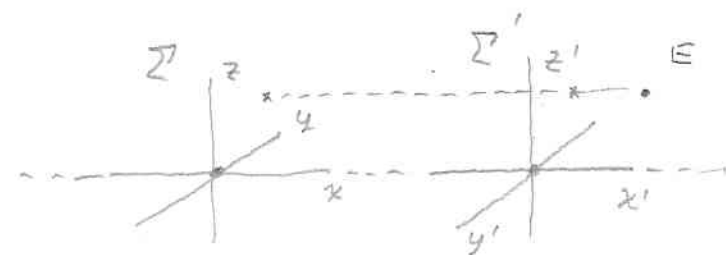
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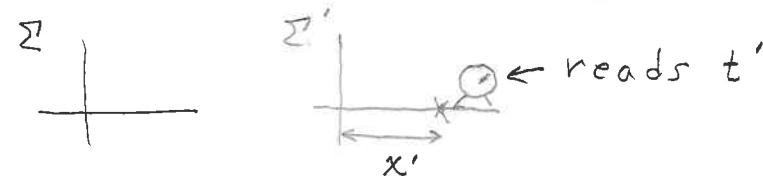
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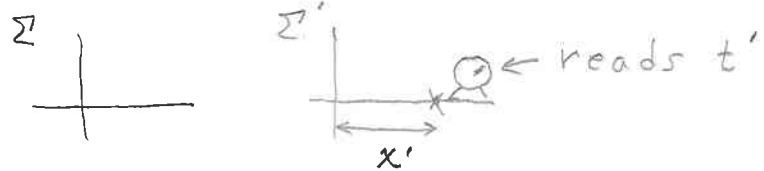
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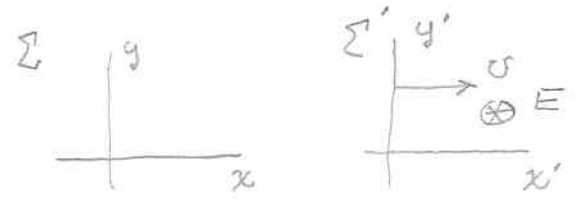
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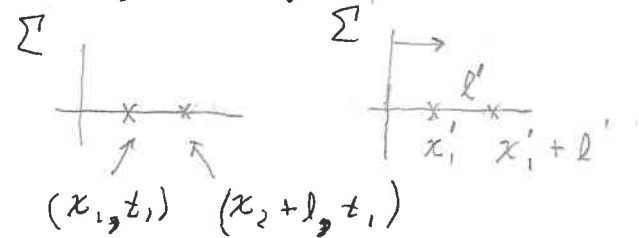
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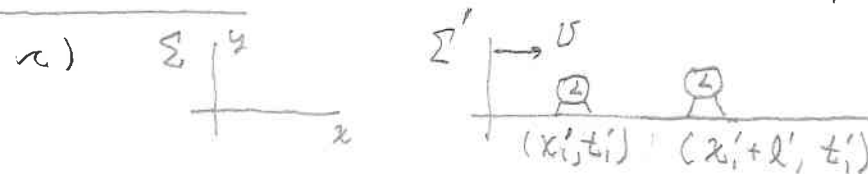
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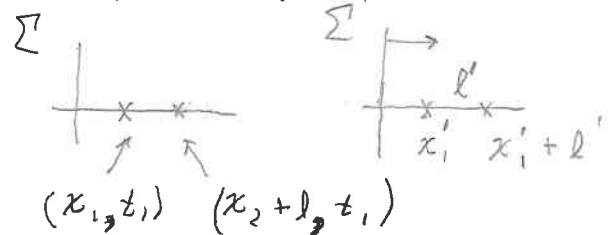
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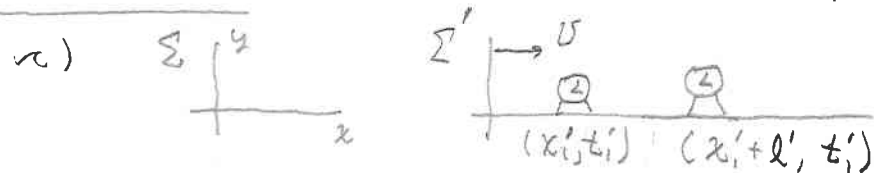
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6. Easy to transform velocities



Look at two events in Σ' along the particles trajectory:

$$(x'_1, t'_1) \quad \& \quad (x'_1 + u'(t'_2 - t'_1), t'_2)$$

$$x_1 = \gamma(x'_1 + v t'_1) \quad x_2 = \gamma[x'_1 + u'(t'_2 - t'_1) + v t'_2]$$

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$$u = \frac{x_2 - x_1}{t_2 - t_1} = \frac{\gamma [u'(t'_2 - t'_1) + v(t'_2 - t'_1)]}{\gamma [t'_2 - t'_1 + \frac{v u'}{c^2} (t'_2 - t'_1)]}$$

$$\text{or} \quad u = \frac{u' + v}{1 + \frac{v u'}{c^2}}$$

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