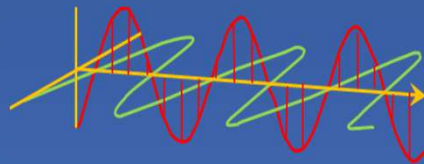
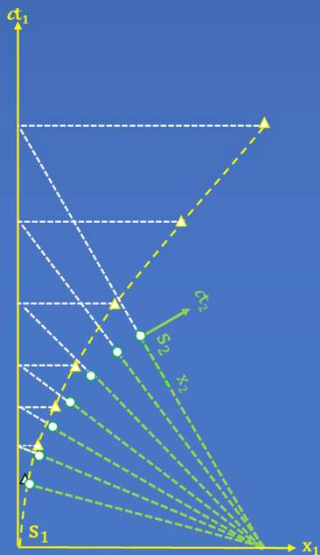


# Riding on a Light Beam



## Acceleration and Mass Rise

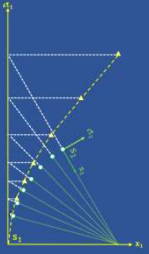


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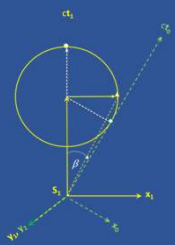
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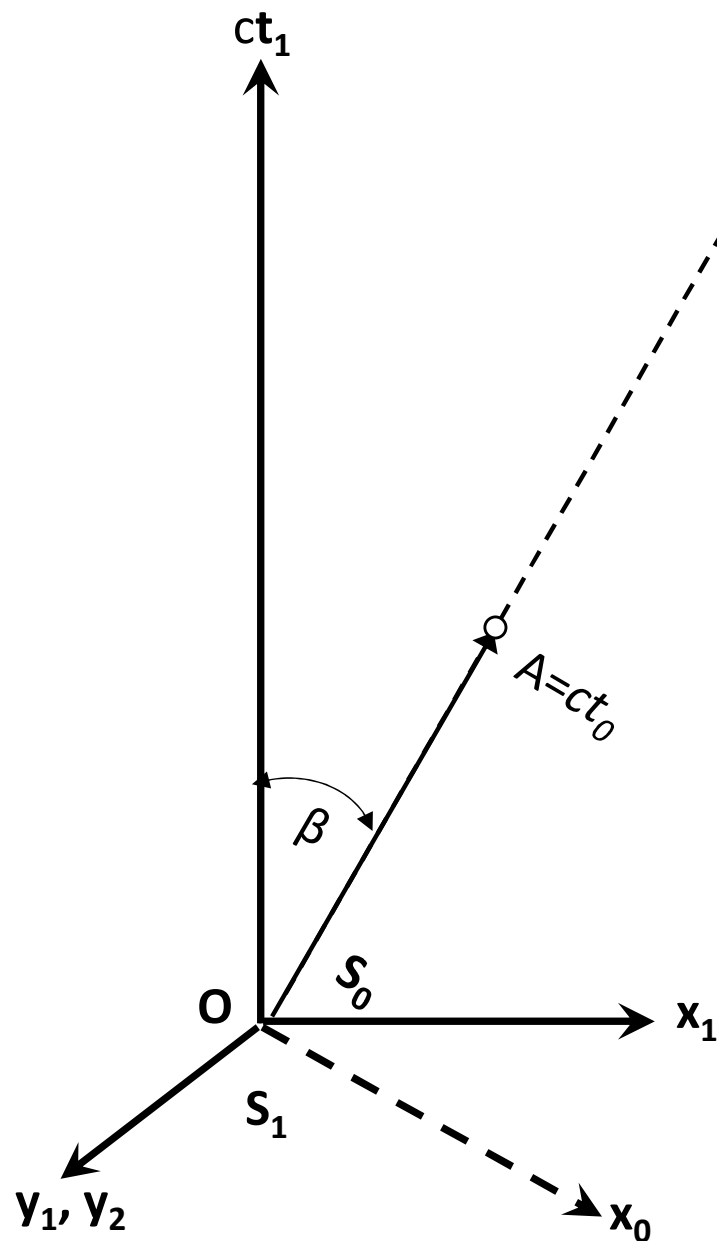
# OUTLINE



- REVIEW OF VELOCITY TRIANGLE
- TIMELINE OF AN ACCELERATING BODY  $S_0$
- UNACCELERATED  $S_1$ 's MEASUREMENT OF ACCELERATED  $S_0$ 's WORLDLINE
- SMALL ANGLE APPROXIMATION GIVES CLASSICAL LAWS FOR ACCELERATION
- $S_1$ 's MEASUREMENT OF  $S_0$  CAUSES OBSERVED RELATIVISTIC MASS RISE



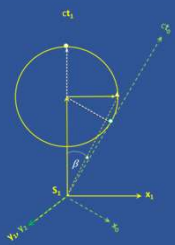
# REVIEW OF VELOCITY TRIANGLE



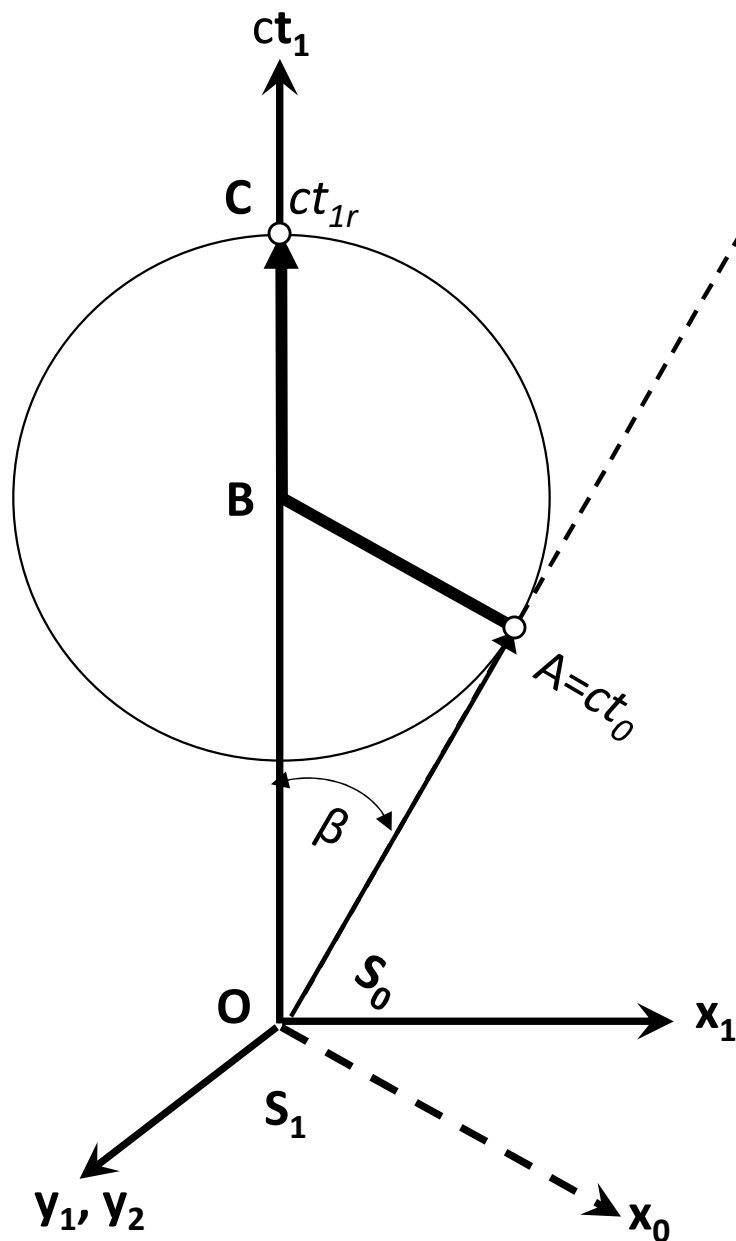
- $\beta = \arcsin(v/c)$
- $A = \text{Time of Transmission } ct_0$

$$ct_1 = \frac{ct_0 + x_0 \cdot \sin(\beta)}{\cos(\beta)}$$

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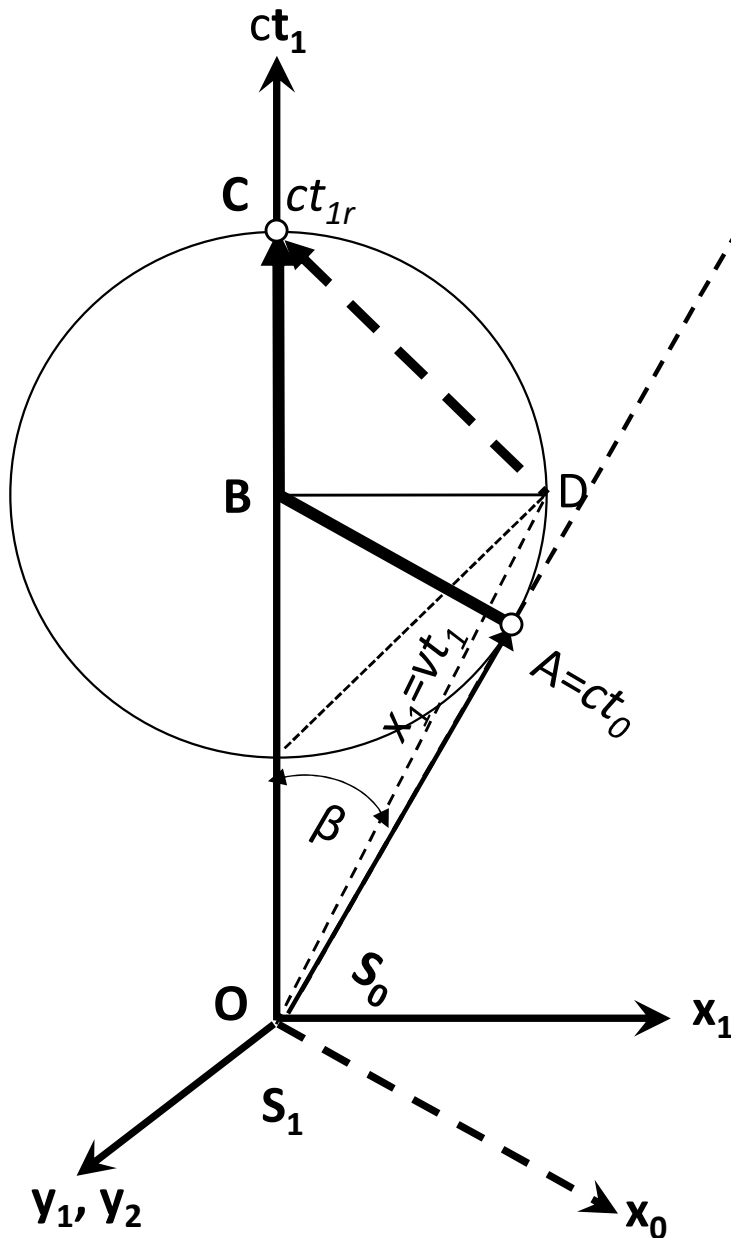
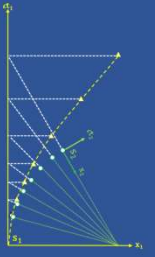


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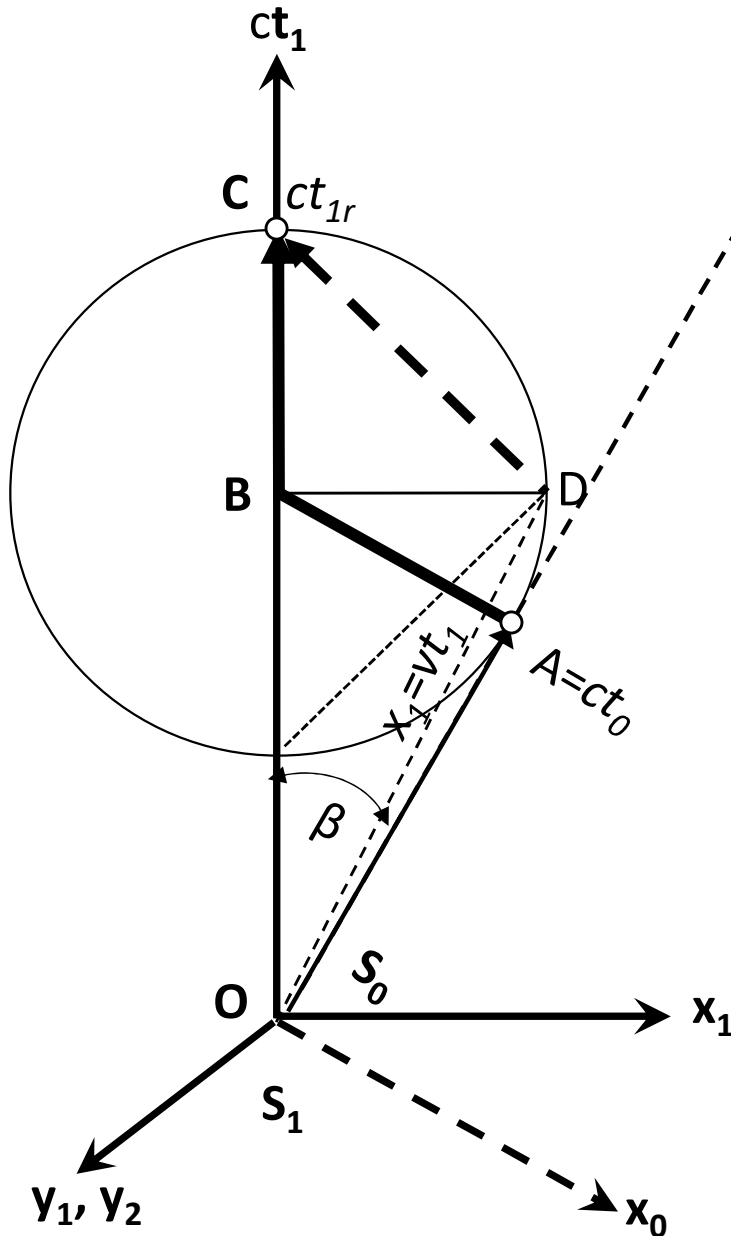
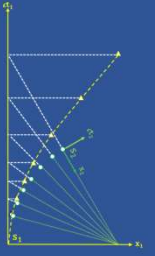


- $\beta = \arcsin(v/c)$
- A = Time of Transmission  $ct_0$
- Doppler Shift A along ABC, to C = Time of Receipt

$$ct_{1r} = ct_0 \frac{1 + \sin(\beta)}{\cos(\beta)}$$

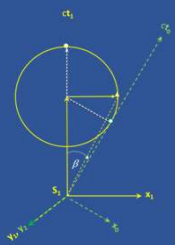


- $\beta = \arcsin(v/c)$
- A = Time of Transmission  $ct_0$
- Doppler Shift A along ABC, to C = Time of Observation
- D = Measurement
  - Simultaneous with Event A
  - $OB = ct_1 = ct_0 / \cos(\beta)$
  - $BD = x_1 = ct_0 \cdot \sin(\beta) / \cos(\beta)$
  - $v = x_1 / ct_1 = c \cdot \sin(\beta)$

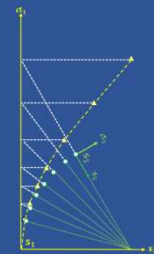


- $\beta = \arcsin(v/c)$
- A = Time of Transmission  $ct_0$
- Doppler Shift A along ABC,  
to C = Time of Observation
- D is Lorentz Transform of A

$$\begin{aligned} ct_1 &= \frac{ct_0 + x_0 \cdot \sin(\beta)}{\cos(\beta)} \\ x_1 &= \frac{x_0 + ct_0 \cdot \sin(\beta)}{\cos(\beta)} \end{aligned}$$



# TIMELINE OF ACCELERATING BODY



- CONSTANT CENTRIPETAL FORCE  $F$  APPLIED NORMAL TO  $S_0$  TIMELINE in  $+x_0$  DIRECTION
- $S_0$  OBSERVES CONSTANT ACCELERATION
- CONSTANT VELOCITY ANGLE CHANGE WITH RESPECT TO ITSELF

$$\beta = \omega \cdot t_0$$

$$d\beta = \arcsin(a \cdot dt_0 / c) \approx a \cdot dt_0 / c$$

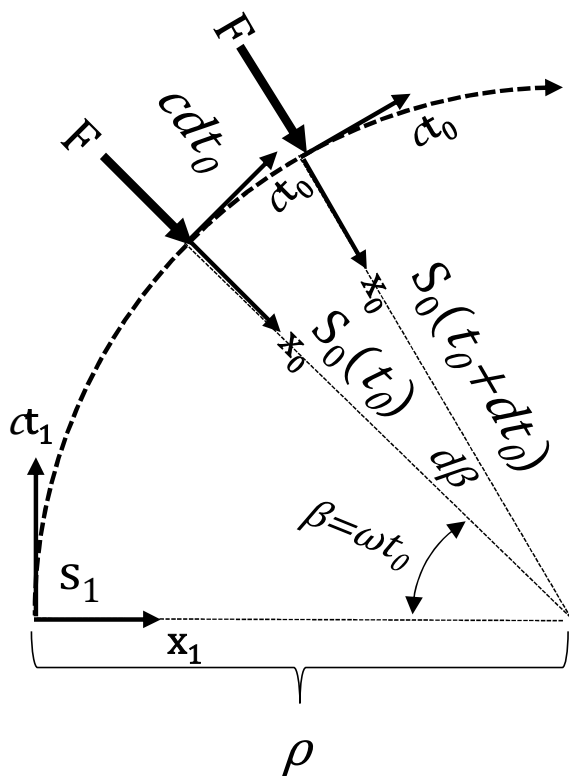
$$d\beta / dt_0 = \omega = a / c$$

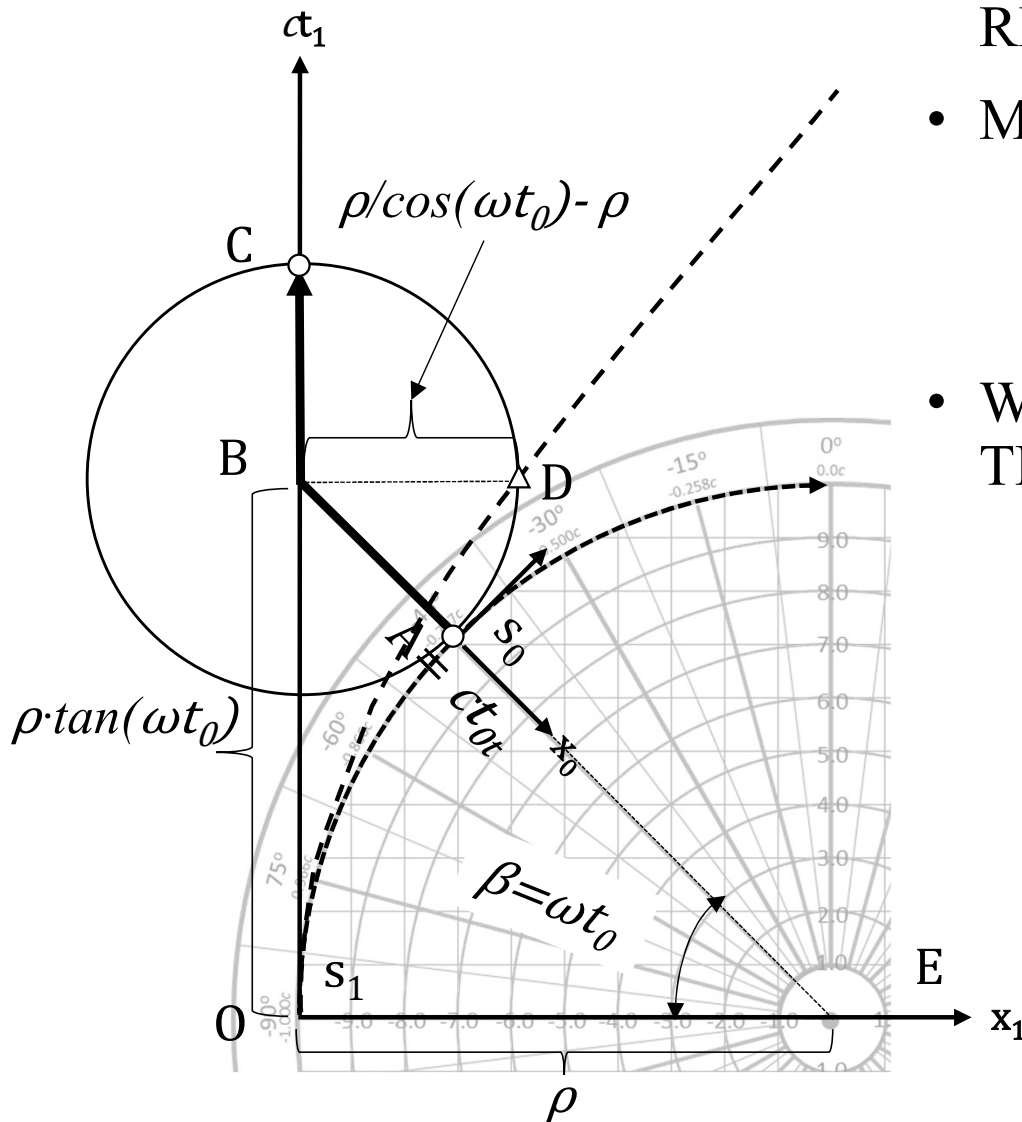
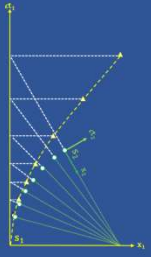
- $S_0$  FEELS RESULTING INERTIAL CENTRIFUGAL FORCE IN  $-x_0$  DIRECTION
- FOR SMALL  $dt_0$ ,  $dv \ll c$ :  
CLASSICAL MECHANICS APPLIES:

$$\omega = a / c = c / \rho$$

$$\rho = c^2 / a \quad (\text{At } 1g, \rho = 0.97 \text{ lightyears})$$

$$F = m \rho \omega^2 = m \frac{c^2}{a} \left( \frac{a}{c} \right)^2 = ma$$





- TIME OF TRANSMISSION TO TIME OF RECEIPT: ABC
- MEASUREMENT AT D

$$\begin{aligned}x_I &= \rho / \cos(\omega t_0) - \rho \\ ct_I &= \rho \cdot \sin(\omega t_0) / \cos(\omega t_0)\end{aligned}$$

- WORLDLINE IS HYPERBOLIC:  
TRIANGLE OBE

$$(x_1 + \rho)^2 - c^2 t_1^2 = \rho^2 = c^4/a_0^2$$

*cf Gravitation*, p. 166

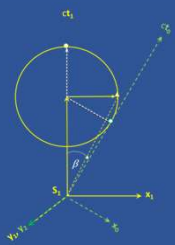
(Misner, Thorne and Wheeler)

$$x^2-t^2=1/a^2$$

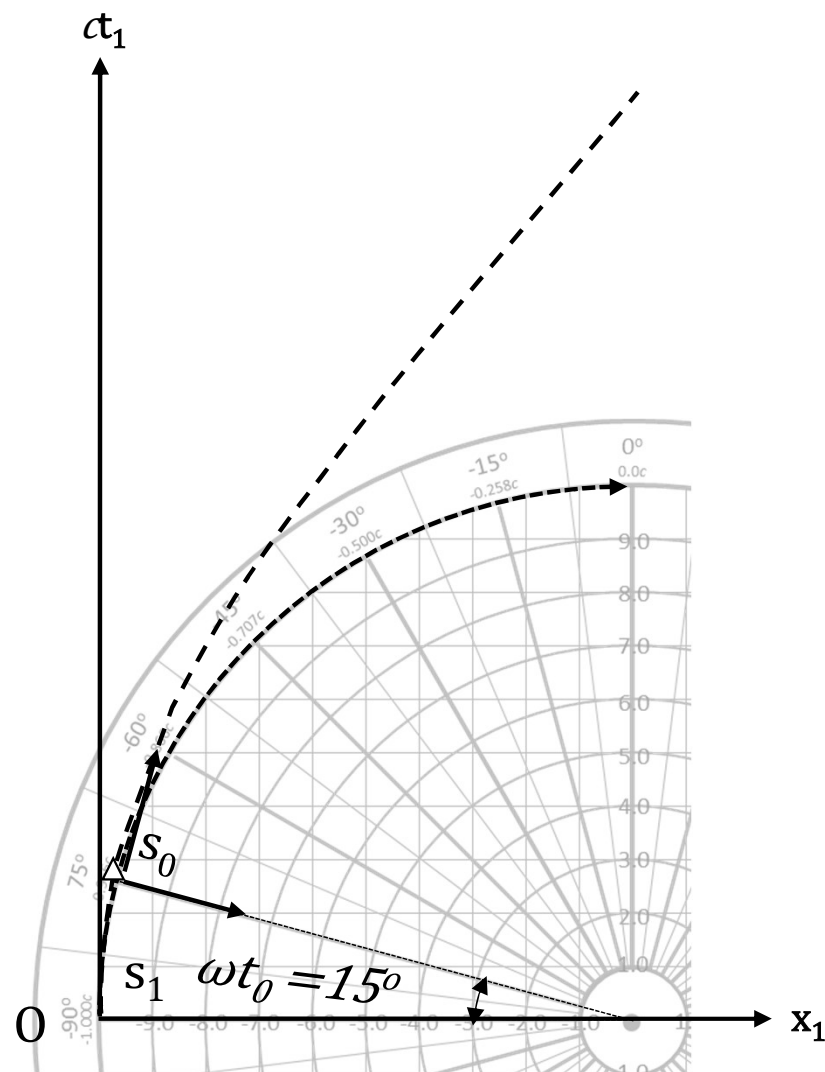
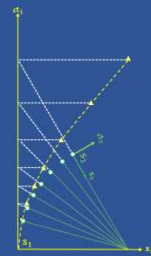
( $c=1$  and omitted, initial offset)

## Done with tensors vs. trigonometry



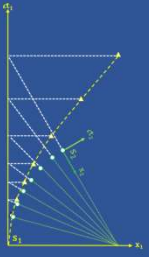


# $S_1$ 's MEASUREMENT OF ACCELERATING BODY $S_0$





# SMALL ANGLE APPROX CLASSICAL SOLUTION



- SMALL ANGLE APPROXIMATIONS

$$a_1 = a_0 \cdot \cos(\omega t_0) \cong a_0$$

$$ct_1 = \rho \cdot \tan(\omega t_0) \cong ct_0$$

$$v = c \cdot \sin(\omega t_0) \cong a_0 t_0$$

- TRIG IDENTITY:  $\sin^2(\alpha) = (1 - \cos(2\alpha))/2$

$$x_1 = \rho \frac{1 - \cos(\omega t_0)}{\cos(\omega t_0)} = \rho \frac{2 \cdot \sin^2(\omega t_0/2)}{\cos(\omega t_0)} \cong \frac{a_0 t_0^2}{2}$$

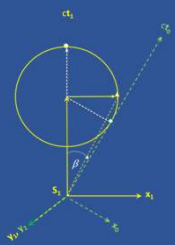
- FOR SMALL VALUES OF  $\omega t_0$ ,  $v \ll c$

$$a_1 \cong a_0$$

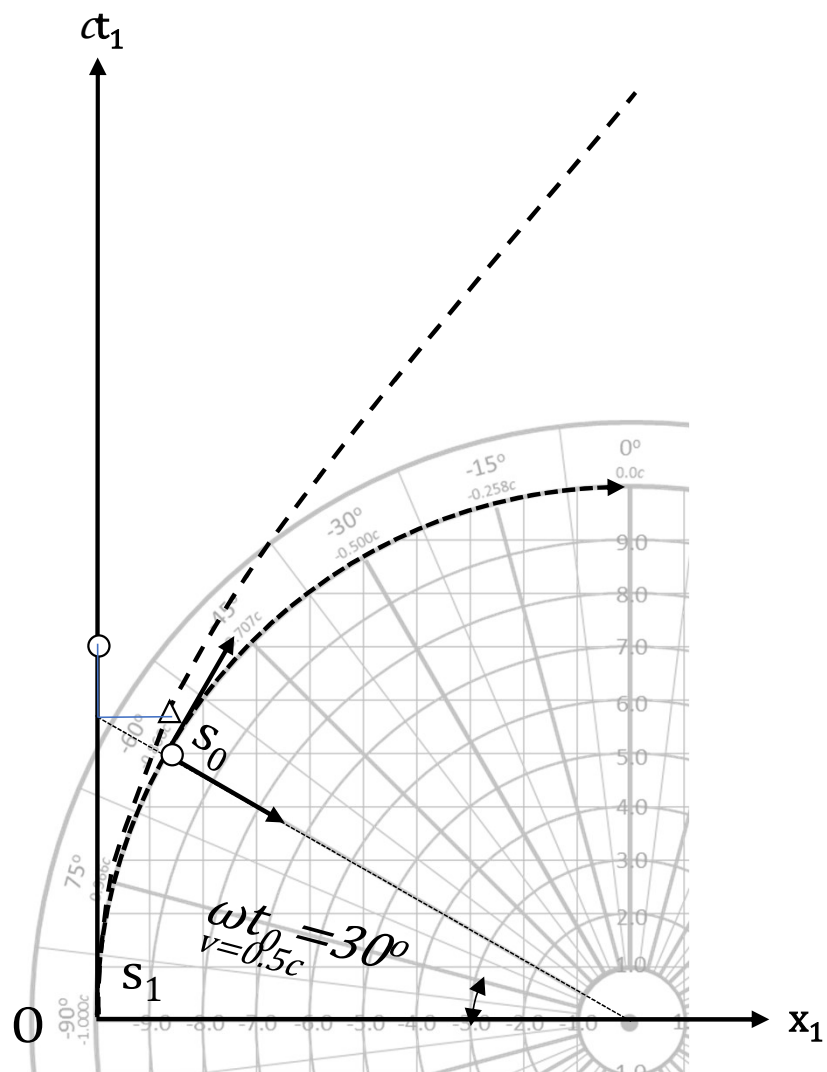
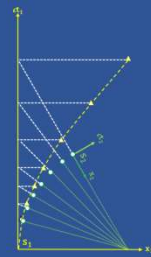
$$ct_1 \cong ct_0$$

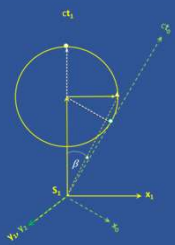
$$v \cong a_0 t_0$$

$$x_1 \cong a_0 t_0^2/2$$

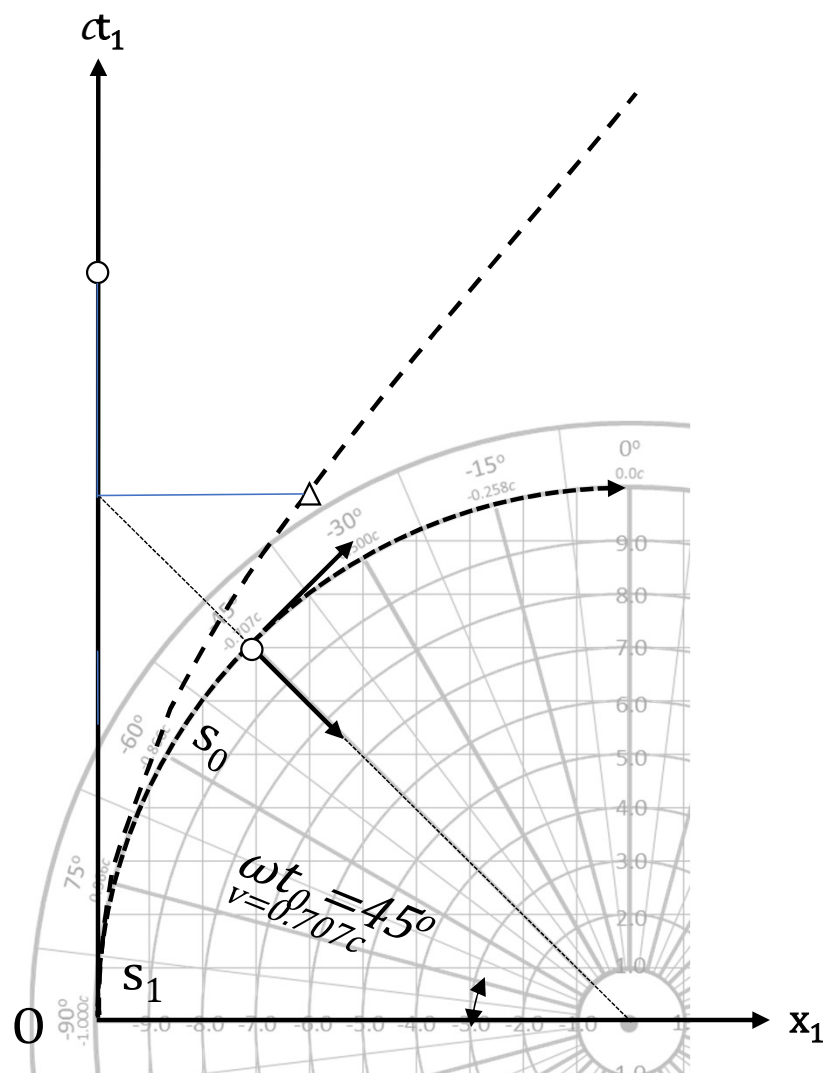
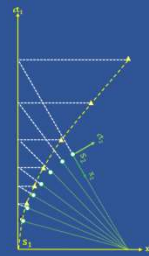


# $S_1$ 's MEASUREMENT ACCELERATING BODY $S_0$



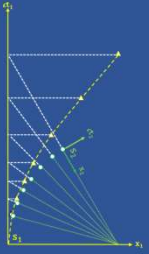


# $S_1$ 's MEASUREMENT OF ACCELERATING BODY $S_0$





# $S_1$ 's MEASUREMENT OF RELATIVISTIC MASS



- $S_1$ 's MEASUREMENT OF  $S_0$ 's VELOCITY AND ACCELERATION

$$v/c = \frac{dx_1}{dt_1} = \frac{dx_1}{dt_0} \cdot \frac{dt_0}{dt_1} = \frac{\omega \rho \cdot \sec(\omega t_0) \cdot \tan(\omega t_0)}{\omega \rho \cdot \sec^2(\omega t_0)} = \sin(\omega t_0)$$

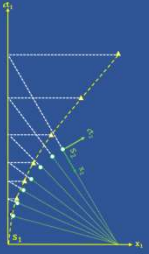
$$a_1 = \frac{d}{dt} \cdot c \cdot \sin(\omega t_0) = a_0 \cdot \cos(\omega t_0)$$

- As  $\omega t_0 \rightarrow 90^\circ$ , Velocity  $\rightarrow c$ , Acceleration  $\rightarrow 0$
- MEASURE MASS:
  - Divide Constant Force  $F_0 = m_0 \cdot a_0$  by Observed Acceleration

$$m_1 = \frac{F_0}{a_1} = \frac{m_0 \cdot a_0}{a_0 \cdot \cos(\omega t_0)} = \frac{m_0}{\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}}$$

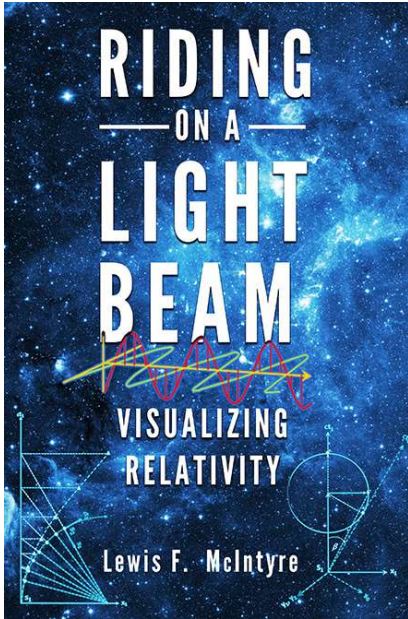


# SUMMARY



- CONSTANT LINEAR ACCELERATION IS A CIRCULAR TRAJECTORY IN 4-DIMENSIONAL SPACE
- UNACCELERATED OBSERVER WILL SEE A HYPERBOLIC WORLDLINE ASYMPTOTIC TO  $c$  AS  $\omega t_0 \rightarrow 90^\circ$
- PROOF
  - Small Angle Approximation For  $v \ll c$  Gives Classical Equation for Accelerated Motion
  - Diminishing Acceleration as  $\omega t_0 \rightarrow 90^\circ$  Results in Measured Mass Rise
  - Validated By *Gravitation* (Misner, Thorne and Wheeler)

Q.E.D.



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(Which was to be shown!)