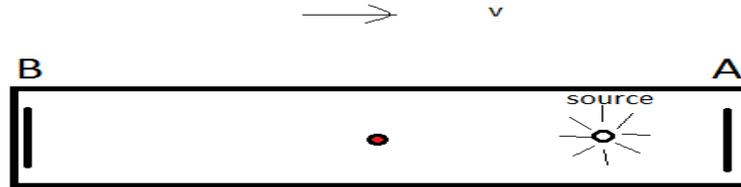
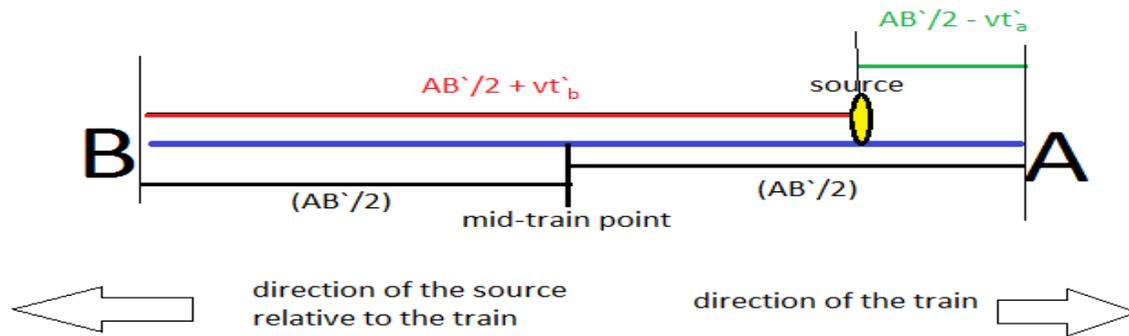


Let's assume there is a train moves toward the right direction of the page. There are 2 ends A to the right and B to the left as shown in the picture. A light source is put near A than B and is emitting 2 beams of light so as to appear reaching both ends simultaneously for a ground observer. That will happen when the source coincides with the iso-center point of the train



For the train observer, he sees the source moves from the right to the left side and I am interested to calculate the time that received by 2 observers at A & B of the train



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$$t'_a \left(1 + \frac{v}{c}\right) = \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}AB'\right)}{c} \quad \text{and} \quad t'_b \left(1 - \frac{v}{c}\right) = \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}AB'\right)}{c}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \Delta t' &= t'_b - t'_a = \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}AB'/c\right)}{1 - \frac{v}{c}} - \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}AB'/c\right)}{1 + \frac{v}{c}} \\ &= \left(\frac{AB'}{2c}\right) \frac{1 + \frac{v}{c} - 1 + \frac{v}{c}}{1 - \left(\frac{v^2}{c^2}\right)} \\ &= \left(\frac{AB'}{2c}\right) \frac{2\frac{v}{c}}{1 - \left(\frac{v^2}{c^2}\right)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta t' = \frac{AB' \frac{v}{c^2}}{1 - \left(\frac{v^2}{c^2}\right)} \quad \text{,,,,,,,,, (1)}$$

At this stage I can use the length contraction formula $AB' = AB \sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}$ to give:

$$\Delta t' = \frac{AB \frac{v}{c^2}}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}} \quad \text{which is Lorentz transformation}$$

But it is enough for me to have just: $\Delta t' = \frac{AB' \frac{v}{c^2}}{1 - \left(\frac{v^2}{c^2}\right)}$

Now the second part of the experiment is:

If A would send a light signal to B that will take : $\Delta t'' = \frac{AB'}{c} \quad \text{,,,,,,,,, (2)}$

Then $\Delta t' = \Delta t''$ when $\frac{AB' \frac{v}{c^2}}{1 - \left(\frac{v^2}{c^2}\right)} = \frac{AB'}{c}$

That is when $\frac{\frac{v}{c}}{1 - \left(\frac{v^2}{c^2}\right)} = 1$

So $\frac{v^2}{c^2} + \frac{v}{c} - 1 = 0$

The positive root of this quadratic equation is when $\frac{v}{c} = 0.618$