

Doppler effect

Classical Doppler effect:

$$f = f_0 \frac{c \pm v_o}{c \mp v_s}$$

c : speed of sound
(330-340 m/s)

v_o : observer speed

v_s : source speed

f_0 : emitted frequency

f : observed frequency

Air is the carrier medium of sound.
The source and the observer move
in this carrier medium.

Relativistic Doppler effect:

$$\text{up: } f_{\uparrow} = f_0 \sqrt{\frac{c+v}{c-v}} = f_0 \sqrt{\frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta}} \quad \left. \vphantom{f_{\uparrow}} \right\} \text{blue shift}$$

$$\text{down: } f_{\downarrow} = f_0 \sqrt{\frac{c-v}{c+v}} = f_0 \sqrt{\frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta}} \quad \left. \vphantom{f_{\downarrow}} \right\} \text{red shift}$$

c : speed of light ($c = 3 \cdot 10^8$ m/s)

v : speed of the source and the observer
with respect to each other.

There is NO carrier medium!

Doppler effect 2.

Longitudinal Doppler effect:



$$f_{\uparrow} = f_0 \sqrt{\frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta}}$$

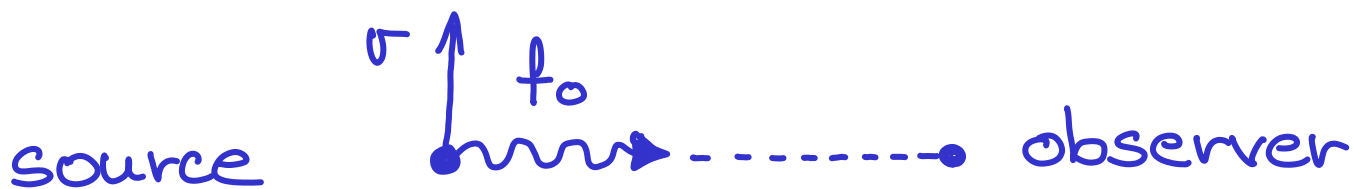
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$$\text{or } f_{\downarrow} = f_0 \sqrt{\frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta}}$$

red shift

$$c = \lambda f \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{c}{f}$$

Transverse Doppler effect



$$f = \frac{f_0}{\gamma} = \sqrt{1-\beta^2} \cdot f_0$$

The source's clock is time dilated, the light is redshifted.

The transverse Doppler effect is a pure relativistic effect!