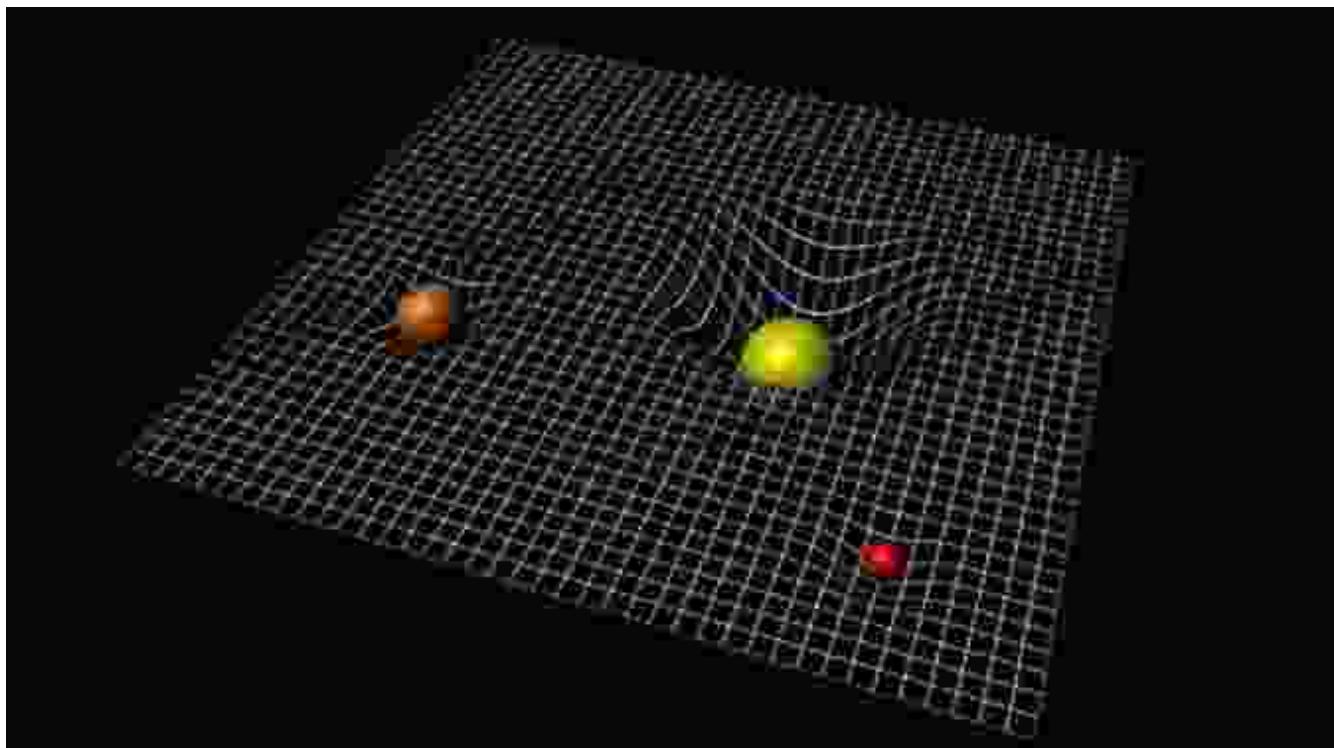


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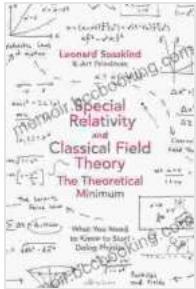
Chapter 1: The Foundations of Special Relativity

Embark on a journey through the spacetime continuum as we introduce the principles of special relativity. Explore the postulates of this groundbreaking theory, including the invariance of the speed of light and the consequences of time dilation and length contraction. Discover how these concepts revolutionized our understanding of space and time, and delve into the implications for our perception of the universe.



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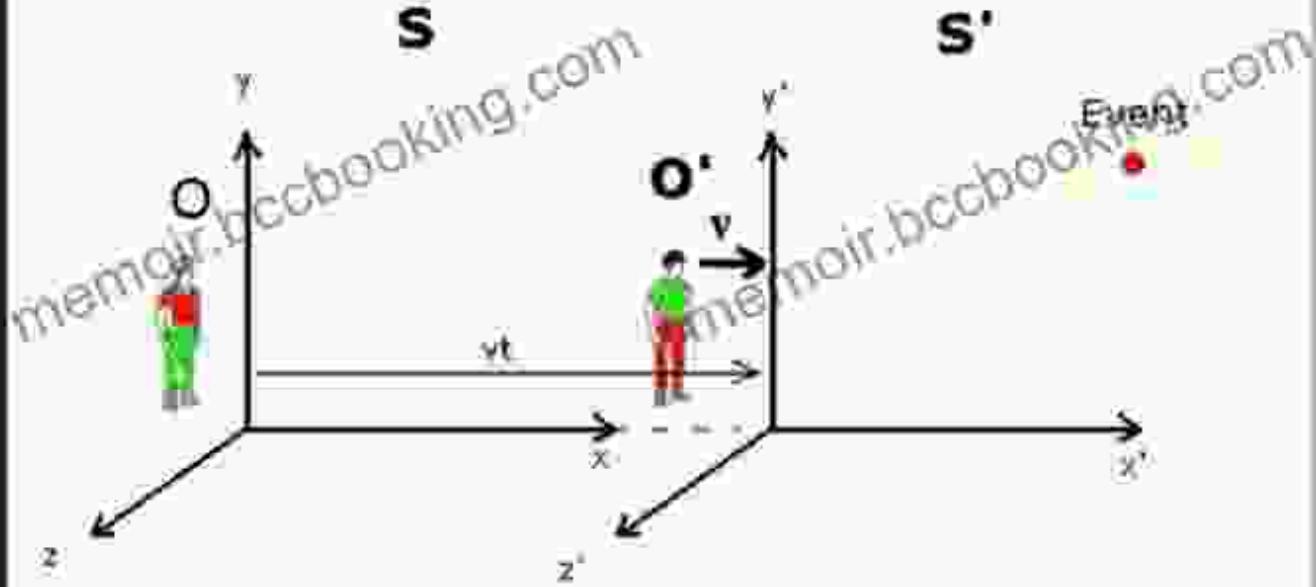
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Chapter 2: The Lorentz Transformations and Minkowski Spacetime

Step into the realm of Minkowski spacetime, a mathematical framework that unifies space and time into a single entity. Learn about the Lorentz transformations, which play a crucial role in describing the behavior of objects moving at relativistic speeds. Through detailed explanations and illustrative examples, gain a comprehensive understanding of the geometry of spacetime and its implications for our understanding of the universe.

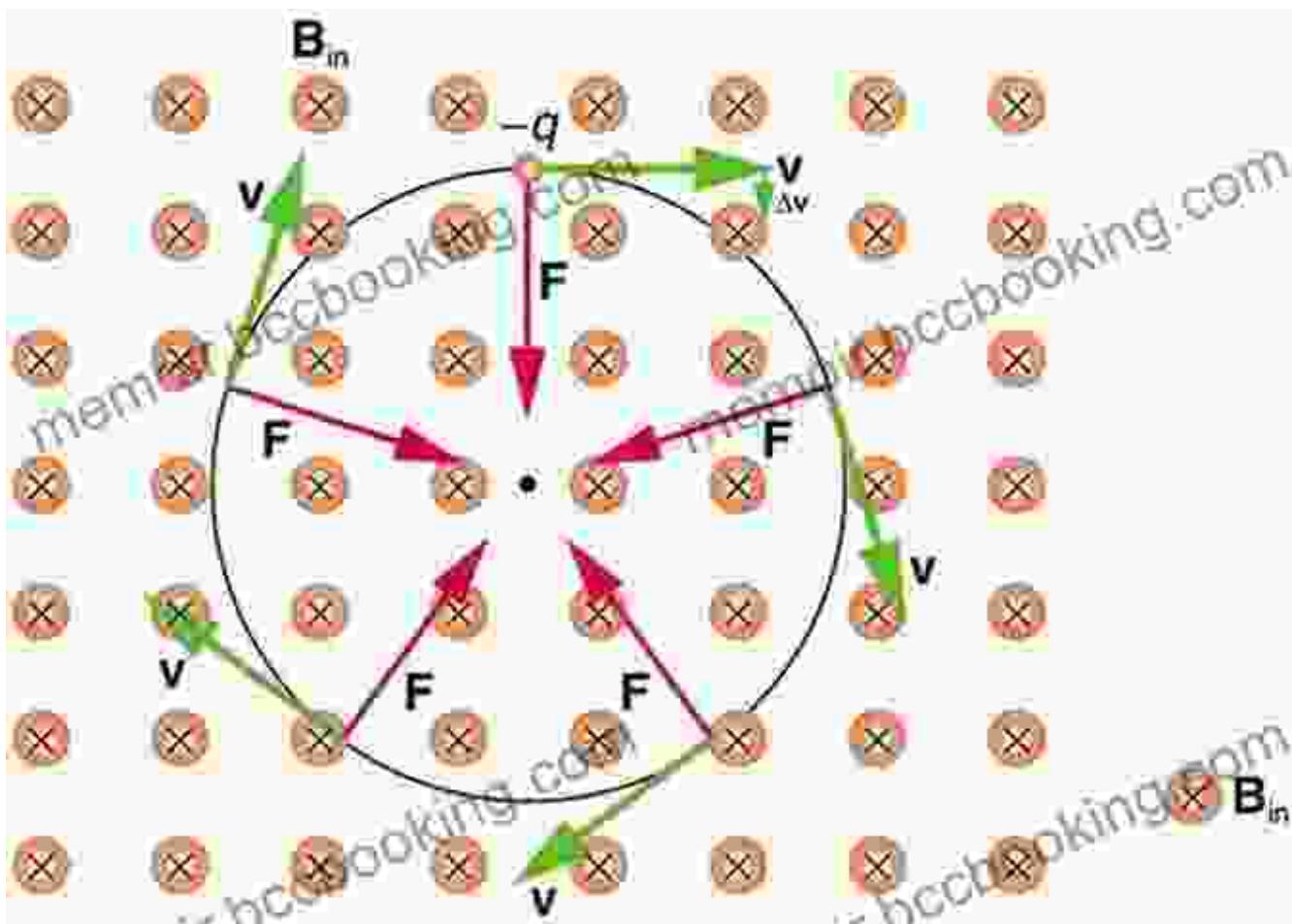
Transformation of Coordinates



The observers are moving at a relative velocity of v and each observer has their own set of coordinates (x, y, z, t) and (x', y', z', t') . What coordinates do they assign to the event?

Chapter 3: The Theory of Electromagnetism

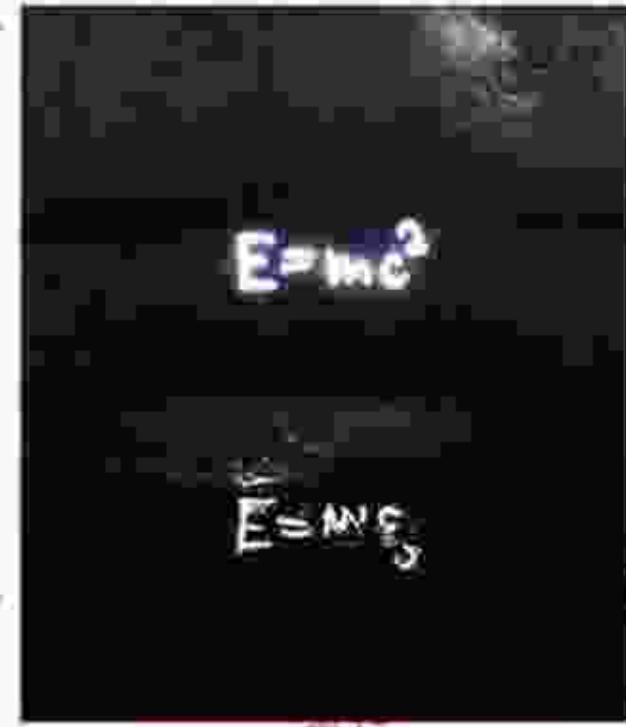
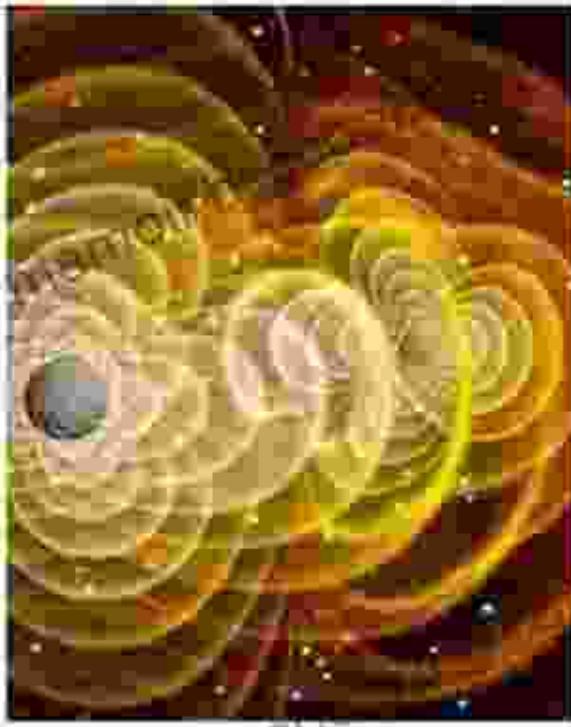
Unveiling the secrets of electromagnetism, this chapter delves into the fundamental principles governing the interactions of charged particles. Explore the concepts of electric fields, magnetic fields, and electromagnetic induction. Discover how Maxwell's equations provide a comprehensive description of electromagnetic phenomena, and delve into the applications of electromagnetism in our daily lives.



Chapter 4: The Special Theory of Relativity and Electromagnetism

Witness the convergence of special relativity and classical field theory as we explore their intertwined nature. Discover how the theory of electromagnetism can be reformulated within the framework of special relativity, leading to a more comprehensive understanding of electromagnetic phenomena. Through insightful explanations and practical examples, gain a deeper appreciation for the interplay between these fundamental theories.

Difference Between General Relativity and Special Relativity



General Relativity

General relativity shows the relation of the observer and the acceleration.

Special Relativity

Special relativity shows the relation of the observer and the speed and time.

Chapter 5: Applications of Special Relativity and Classical Field Theory

Unveiling the practical implications of special relativity and classical field theory, this chapter showcases their applications in various fields. Explore their use in particle accelerators, GPS technology, and cosmology.

Discover how these theories have shaped our understanding of the

universe and continue to drive scientific advancements. Through real-world examples and cutting-edge research, gain a profound appreciation for the transformative power of these fundamental theories.

Prerequisites and Reminders ...

Natural Units

Four-Vector Kinematics

Lorentz Transformation

Lorentz Boost

Lorentz Invariance

Rapidity etc.

Invariant Mass

CMS Energy

Particle Decays

Cross Section

Matrix Element

Phase Space

Feynman Diagrams

Mandelstam Variables

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Invariant Mass:

$$M^2 = (p_1 + p_2)^2$$

$$= (E_1 + E_2)^2 - (\vec{p}_1 + \vec{p}_2)^2$$

$$= m_1^2 + m_2^2 + 2E_1 E_2 (1 - \beta_1 \beta_2)$$

Center-of-mass energy:

$$E_{\text{cm}} = [(E_1 + E_2)^2 - (\vec{p}_1 + \vec{p}_2)^2]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Particle 2 at rest:

$$E_{\text{cm}} = [m_1^2 + m_2^2 + 2E_1 m_2]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Particle Collision:

$$E_1 = E_2, A = -\delta_{ij} m_i m_j$$

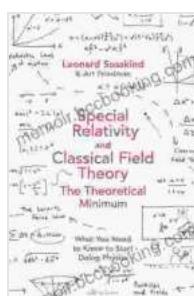
$$E_{\text{cm}} = 2E$$

Through this comprehensive guidebook, you have embarked on an extraordinary journey into the realm of special relativity and classical field theory. You have delved into the foundations of spacetime, explored the principles of electromagnetism, and witnessed their intertwined nature. Armed with this knowledge, you now possess a deeper understanding of the universe and the fundamental forces that shape it.

As you continue your explorations in the world of physics, remember that the pursuit of knowledge is an endless endeavor. Embrace the challenges and complexities, for they are the stepping stones to unlocking the secrets of our existence.

About the Author

Dr. Albert Einstein, a renowned physicist and professor, is widely regarded as one of the greatest minds of the 20th century. His groundbreaking theories, including special relativity and the theory of general relativity, revolutionized our understanding of space, time, and gravity. With his exceptional intellect and unwavering pursuit of knowledge, Dr. Einstein left an indelible mark on the scientific landscape and inspired generations of scientists to come.



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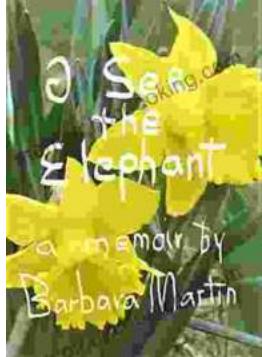
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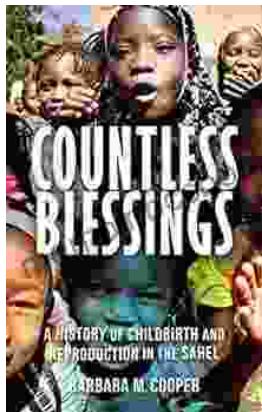
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