

Supervision 7

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Read the following sections of the handouts:

Section 35 - Section 38 Speed in Special Relativity

Deduce the following formula based on the Lorentz transformation. Make sure you can do so on your own WITHOUT the help of a textbook and understand each step before solving the questions on this problem sheet. Never rush to solve the questions!

1. *The relativistic transformation of speeds*
2. *The reverse relativistic transformation of speeds*
3. *Length contraction*

*According to Einstein's theory of special relativity, it states that " **The length of objects moving at relativistic speeds undergoes a contraction along the dimension of motion**". An observer who is at rest (relative to the moving object) would see the moving object to be shorter in length.*

4. *Time dilation*

*One of the many implications of Einstein's special relativity work is that time moves relative to the observer. An object in motion experiences time dilation, meaning that **when an object is moving very fast it experiences time more slowly than when it is at rest**.*

5. *Relativistic Doppler Effects*

As in Q18

Problem Sheet – Q14 - Q18