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**Relativistic Spacetime Crystals**

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## Comments on Figure 1

(\* **Figure 1:**

**Definitions of different inertial frames and observers.**

Defines a **ground frame (GF) observer**

A **train frame (TF) observer** moving  
at speed  $v$  relative to the GF in the  $+x$  direction.

A **bird (an event)** being observed by the GF and TF observers,  
moving at a speed  $u$  with respect to the GF in the  $+x$  direction.

A frame moving with the bird  
is called the **bird frame (BF)** or the **proper frame**.

The hyperbolic angles are defined as:

$$\text{Tanh}(\alpha) = v/c$$

$$\text{Tanh}(\beta) = u/c \quad *)$$

## Comments on Figure 2

(\***Figure 2:**

**2D Minkowski spacetime (MS) coordinates**

are plotted in hyperbolic geometry. The code below plots..

the hyperbolic branch **F** as  $\xi\{\text{Sinh}[\beta], \text{Cosh}[\beta]\}$ ,  $\xi=1$

the hyperbolic branch **P** as  $\xi\{-\text{Sinh}[\beta], -\text{Cosh}[\beta]\}$ ,  $\xi=1$

the hyperbolic branch **U** as  $\xi\{\text{Cosh}[\beta], \text{Sinh}[\beta]\}$ ,  $\xi=1$

the hyperbolic branch **T** as  $\xi\{-\text{Cosh}[\beta], -\text{Sinh}[\beta]\}$ ,  $\xi=1$

the light line  $x=ct$  as  $\{\xi, \xi\}$

the light line  $x=-ct$  as  $\{\xi, -\xi\}$

the coordinates of the  $ct'$

axis is  $\{\xi * \text{Sinh}[\text{ArcTanh}[0.9]], \xi * \text{Cosh}[\text{ArcTanh}[0.9]]\}$

the coordinates of the  $x'$  axis is  $\{\xi * \text{Cosh}[\text{ArcTanh}[0.9]],$   
 $\xi * \text{Sinh}[\text{ArcTanh}[0.9]]\}$

the plotting range for the hyperbolic angle  $\beta$  is  $-\text{ArcTanh}[0.999] <$   
 $\beta < \text{ArcTanh}[0.999]$ , which corresponds to  $-0.999c < v < 0.999c$

the plotting range for the spacetime interval  $\xi$  is  $-5 < \xi < 5$  \*)

```
Clear[ $\beta$ ,  $\xi$ ]
```

```
ParametricPlot[{{Sinh[ $\beta$ ], Cosh[ $\beta$ ]},
```

```
{-Sinh[ $\beta$ ], -Cosh[ $\beta$ ]}, {Cosh[ $\beta$ ], Sinh[ $\beta$ ]}, {-Cosh[ $\beta$ ], -Sinh[ $\beta$ ]},
```

```
{ $\xi$ ,  $\xi$ }, { $\xi$ , - $\xi$ }, { $\xi * \text{Sinh}[\text{ArcTanh}[0.9]]$ ,  $\xi * \text{Cosh}[\text{ArcTanh}[0.9]]$ },
```

```
{ $\xi * \text{Cosh}[\text{ArcTanh}[0.9]]$ ,  $\xi * \text{Sinh}[\text{ArcTanh}[0.9]]$ }},
```

```
{ $\beta$ , -ArcTanh[0.999], ArcTanh[0.999]}, { $\xi$ , -3, 3}, PlotRange -> {{-3, 3}, {-3, 3}}]
```

Code for Figure 2

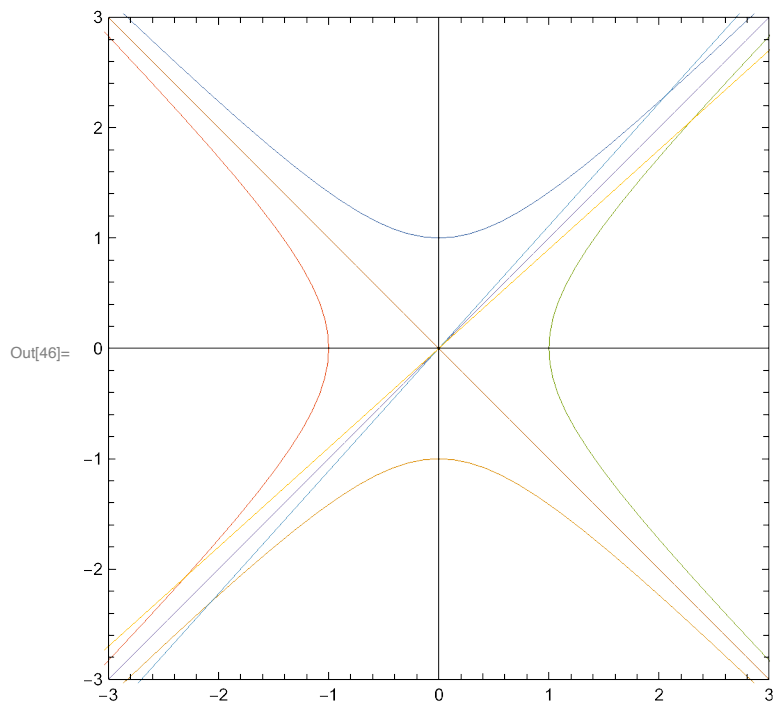


Figure 2

## Comments on Figure 3

(\*Figure 3:

**A plot of the renormalization factor,**

$\chi = \sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[\theta] * \text{Sec}[2 * \phi - \theta]]}$  from Eq. (8) as a function of  $u/c = \sin\phi / \cos(\theta - \phi)$ .

By construction,  $v/c = \sin\theta$ . Three different cases for  $v$  are explored.:

- (1)  $\theta = \text{ArcSin}[0]$ , corresponding to  $v=0$
- (2)  $\theta = \text{ArcSin}[0.9]$ , corresponding to  $v=0.9c$
- (3)  $\theta = \phi$ , corresponding to  $v=u$

The range over which  $\phi$  is plotted is  $\text{ArcSin}[-0.99999] < \phi < \text{ArcSin}[0.99999]$ , which corresponds to  $-0.99999c < u < 0.99999c$  \*)

```
Clear[ $\theta$ ,  $\phi$ ,  $\xi$ ]
```

```
 $\theta = \text{ArcSin}[0]$ 
```

```
p1 = ParametricPlot[{{Sin[ $\phi$ ] / Cos[ $\phi - \theta$ ], Sqrt[Abs[Sec[ $\theta$ ] * Sec[2 *  $\phi - \theta$ ]]}},  
  { $\phi$ , ArcSin[-0.99999], ArcSin[0.99999]}, PlotRange -> {{-1, 1}, {0, 10}}]
```

```
 $\theta = \text{ArcSin}[0.9]$ 
```

```
p2 = ParametricPlot[{{Sin[ $\phi$ ] / Cos[ $\phi - \theta$ ], Sqrt[Abs[Sec[ $\theta$ ] * Sec[2 *  $\phi - \theta$ ]]}},  
  { $\phi$ , ArcSin[-0.99999], ArcSin[0.99999]}, PlotRange -> {{-1, 1}, {0, 10}}]
```

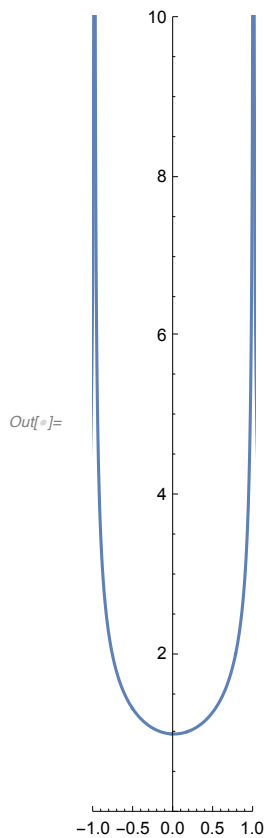
```
 $\theta = \phi$ 
```

```
p3 = ParametricPlot[{{Sin[ $\phi$ ] / Cos[ $\phi - \theta$ ], Sqrt[Abs[Sec[ $\theta$ ] * Sec[2 *  $\phi - \theta$ ]]}},  
  { $\phi$ , ArcSin[-0.99999], ArcSin[0.99999]}, PlotRange -> {{-1, 1}, {0, 10}}]
```

```
Show[p1, p2, p3, PlotTheme -> "Minimal"]
```

Out[ $\ast$ ]= 0

## Code for Figure 3



Out[ ]= 1.11977

Figure 3b

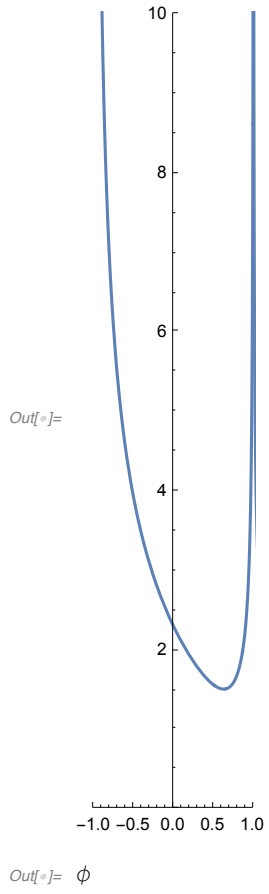


Figure 3c

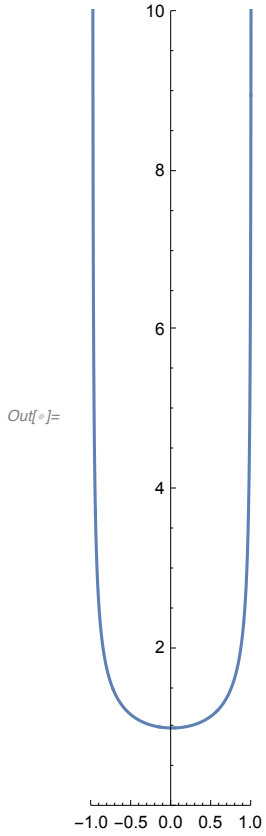


Figure 3a

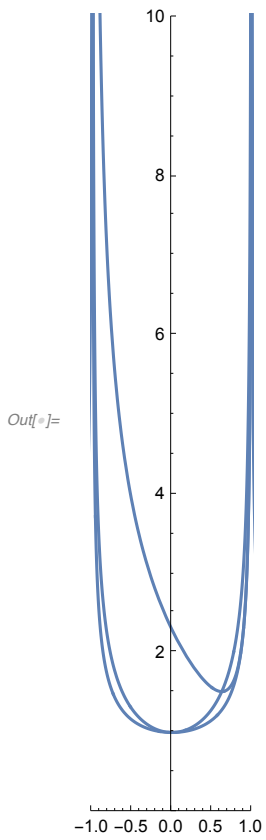


Figure 3a, b, c

## Comments on Figure 4

(\*Figure 4

### 2D Blended Spacetime coordinates

( $x$ ,  $ct'$ ) are plotted from Eq. (7) for  $\xi=1$  :

$$x = \xi * \chi * \text{Sin}[\phi]$$

$$ct' = \xi * \chi * \text{Cos}[\phi]$$

The factor  $\chi = \sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[\theta] * \text{Sec}[2 * \phi - \theta]]}$  is substituted from Eq (8)

The specific case of  $\theta=0$  is assumed, which corresponds to  $v=0$ . \*)

```
Clear[ $\theta$ ,  $\phi$ ,  $\xi$ ]
```

```
 $\theta$  = ArcSin[0]
```

```
 $\xi$  = 1
```

```
 $\chi$  =  $\sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[\theta] * \text{Sec}[2 * \phi - \theta]]}$ 
```

```
 $x$  =  $\xi * \chi * \text{Sin}[\phi]$ 
```

```
 $tp$  =  $\xi * \chi * \text{Cos}[\phi]$ 
```

```
ParametricPlot[{{ $x$ ,  $tp$ }, { $\xi$ ,  $\xi$ }, { $\xi$ ,  $-\xi$ }}, { $\phi$ , -Pi, Pi},
```

```
{ $\xi$ , -5, 5}, PlotPoints  $\rightarrow$  50, PlotRange  $\rightarrow$  {{-3, 3}, {-3, 3}}]
```

Out[55]= 0

Out[56]= 1

Out[57]=  $\sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[2 \phi]]}$

Out[58]=  $\sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[2 \phi]]} \text{Sin}[\phi]$

Out[59]=  $\sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[2 \phi]]} \text{Cos}[\phi]$

## Code for Figure 4



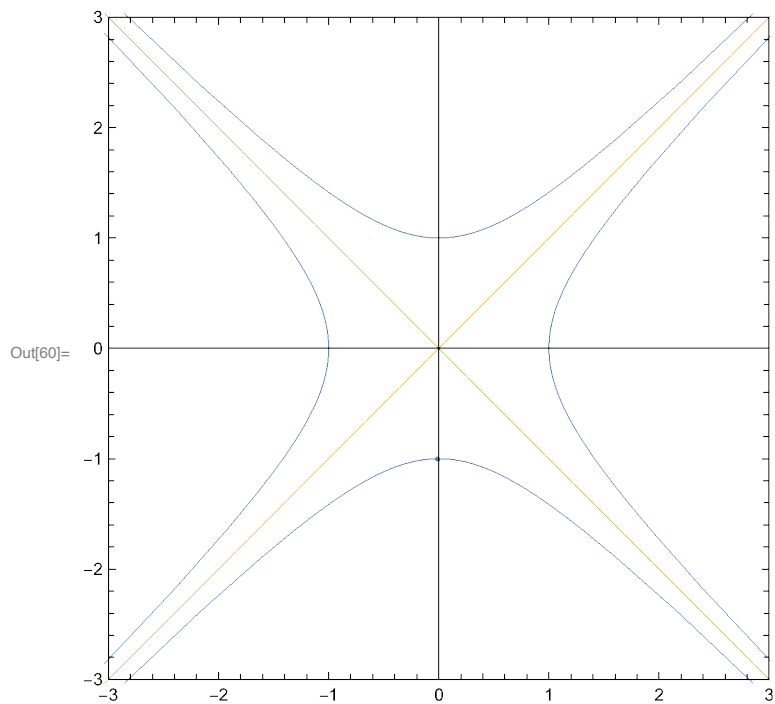


Figure 4

## Comments on Figure 5

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(*Figure 5
  2D Blended Spacetime
  coordinates (x, ct') is plotted from Eq. (7) for  $\xi=1$  :
   $x=\xi*\chi*\text{Sin}[\phi]$ 
   $ct'=\xi*\chi*\text{Cos}[\phi]$ 
```

The factor  $\chi=\sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[\theta]*\text{Sec}[2*\phi-\theta]]}$  is substituted from Eq (8)  
 The specific case of  $\theta=\text{ArcSin}[0.9]$  is assumed,  
 which corresponds to  $v=0.9c$  \*)

```
Clear[ $\theta$ ,  $\phi$ ,  $\xi$ ]
 $\theta = \text{ArcSin}[0.9]$ 
 $\xi = 1$ 
 $\chi = \sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[\theta] * \text{Sec}[2 * \phi - \theta]]}$ 
 $x = \xi * \chi * \text{Sin}[\phi]$ 
 $tp = \xi * \chi * \text{Cos}[\phi]$ 
ParametricPlot[{{x, tp}, { $\xi$ ,  $\xi * 0.229416$ }, { $\xi$ ,  $-\xi * 4.358898943540674$ }},
  { $\phi$ , -Pi, Pi}, { $\xi$ , -5, 5}, PlotRange -> {{-5, 5}, {-5, 5}}
```

Out[90]= 1.11977

Out[91]= 1

Out[92]= 1.51465  $\sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[1.11977 - 2 \phi]]}$

Out[93]= 1.51465  $\sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[1.11977 - 2 \phi]]} \text{Sin}[\phi]$

Out[94]= 1.51465  $\sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[1.11977 - 2 \phi]]} \text{Cos}[\phi]$

## Code for Figure 5

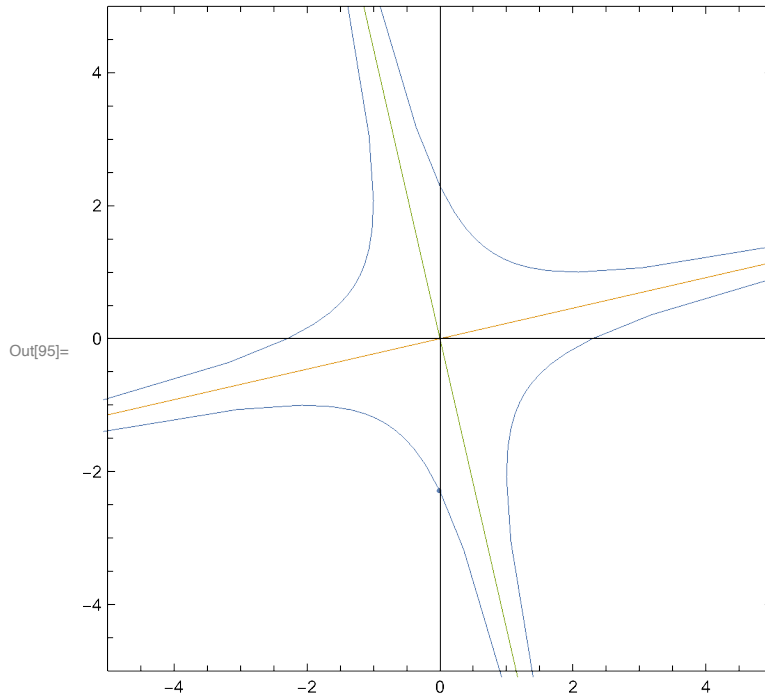


Figure 5

## Comment on Figure 6

### (\*Figure 6

2D RBS coordinates  $(x_n, t_{pn})$  from Eq. (11) are plotted for  $\xi=1$  :

$$x_n = \chi * \text{Sin}[\phi] / \chi$$

$$t_{pn} = \chi * \text{Cos}[\phi] / \chi$$

The factor  $\chi = \sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[\theta] * \text{Sec}[2 * \phi - \theta]]}$  is substituted from Eq (8)

The specific case of  $\theta = \text{ArcSin}[0]$  is assumed, which corresponds to  $v=0$

**Light line  $x=ct$**  is plotted as  $\{\xi, \xi\}$

**Light line  $x=-ct$**  is plotted as  $\{\xi, -\xi\}$  \*)

```
Clear[θ, φ, ξ, χ, x, tp]
θ = ArcSin[0]
ξ = 1
χ = Sqrt[Abs[Sec[θ] * Sec[2 * φ - θ]]]
xn = χ * Sin[φ] / χ
tpn = χ * Cos[φ] / χ
ParametricPlot[{{xn, tpn}, {ξ, ξ}, {ξ, -ξ}},
{φ, -Pi, Pi}, {ξ, -2, 2}, PlotRange -> {{-2, 2}, {-2, 2}}
```

Code for Figure 6

Out[83]= 0

Out[84]= 1

Out[85]=  $\sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[2\phi]]}$

Out[86]=  $\text{Sin}[\phi]$

Out[87]=  $\text{Cos}[\phi]$

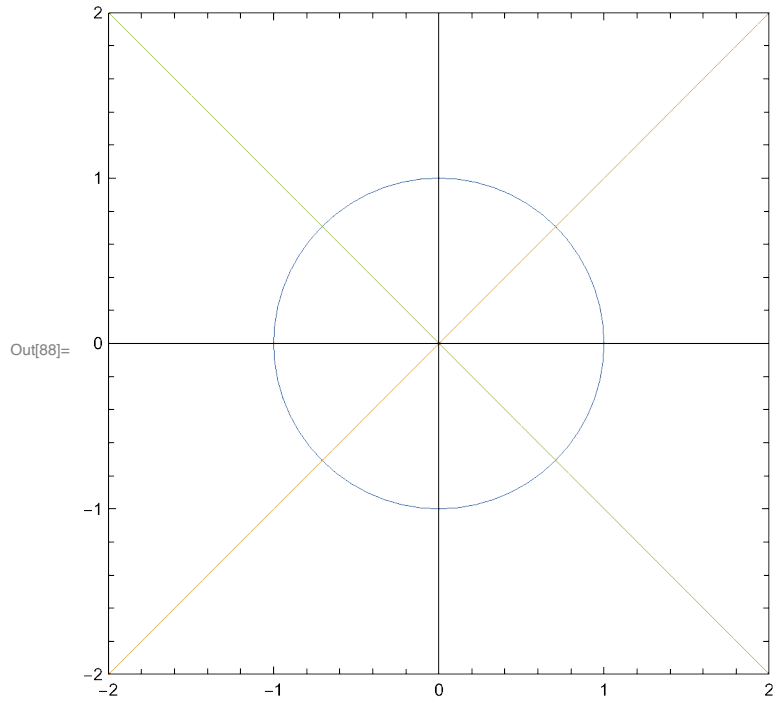


Figure 6

## Comments for Figure 7

### (\*Figure 7

2D RBS coordinates (xn, tpn) from Eq. (11) are plotted for  $\xi=1$  :

$$x_n = \chi * \sin[\phi] / \chi$$

$$t_{pn} = \chi * \cos[\phi] / \chi$$

The factor  $\chi = \sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[\theta] * \text{Sec}[2 * \phi - \theta]]}$  is substituted from Eq (8)

The specific case of  $\theta = \text{ArcSin}[0.9]$  is assumed,

which corresponds to  $v=0.9c$

**Light line  $x=ct$**  is plotted as  $\sim\{\xi, 0.229\xi\}$

**Light line  $x=-ct$**  is plotted as  $\sim\{\xi, -4.3589\xi\}$

The slopes of the light lines were found by finding the solutions to the equations  $x=ct$  and  $x=-ct$  using the coordinates in Eqs. (7) and (11)

In particular,  $\sin\phi = \cos(\phi - \theta)$  gives one of the **light lines**, and  $\cos\phi = \sin(\phi - \theta)$  gives the **other light line.** \*)

```
Clear[ $\theta$ ,  $\phi$ ,  $\xi$ ,  $\chi$ ,  $x$ ,  $tp$ ]
 $\theta$  = ArcSin[0.9]
 $\xi$  = 1
 $\chi$  =  $\sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[\theta] * \text{Sec}[2 * \phi - \theta]]}$ 
 $x_n$  =  $\chi * \sin[\phi] / \chi$ 
 $tp_n$  =  $\chi * \cos[\phi] / \chi$ 
ParametricPlot[{{ $x_n$ ,  $tp_n$ }, { $\xi$ ,  $\xi * 0.229416$ }, { $\xi$ ,  $-\xi * 4.358898943540674$ `}},
{ $\phi$ , -Pi, Pi}, { $\xi$ , -2, 2}, PlotRange -> {{-2, 2}, {-2, 2}}
```

Out[97]= 1.11977

Out[98]= 1

Out[99]= 1.51465  $\sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[1.11977 - 2 \phi]]}$

Out[100]= 1. Sin[ $\phi$ ]

Out[101]= 1. Cos[ $\phi$ ]

## Code for Figure 7

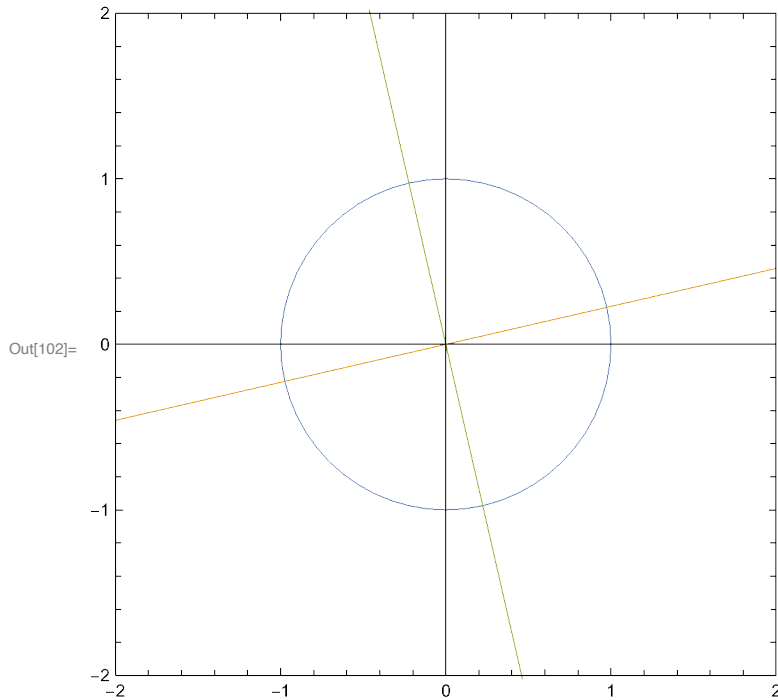


Figure 7

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## Comments for Figure 8a

(\*Figure 8a

**2D Blended Spacetime coordinates (x, ct')** is plotted from **Eq. (7)** for  $\xi=1$  :

$$x = \xi * \chi * \text{Sin}[\phi]$$

$$ct' = \xi * \chi * \text{Cos}[\phi]$$

The factor  $\chi = \sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[\theta] * \text{Sec}[2 * \phi - \theta]]}$  is substituted from **Eq (8)**

The specific case of  $\theta = \text{ArcSin}[0.99999]$  is assumed,  
which corresponds to  $v = 0.99999c$ , that is  $v \rightarrow c$  infinitesimally closely. \*)

```
Clear[θ, φ, ξ]
θ = ArcSin[0.99999]
ξ = 1
χ = Sqrt[Abs[Sec[θ] * Sec[2 * φ - θ]]]
x = ξ * χ * Sin[φ]
tp = ξ * χ * Cos[φ]
ParametricPlot[{{x, tp}}, {φ, -Pi, Pi}, PlotRange -> {{-40, 40}, {-40, 40}}]
```

Out[167]= 1.56632

Out[168]= 1

Code for Figure 8a

Out[169]= 14.9535  $\sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[1.56632 - 2\phi]]}$

Out[170]= 14.9535  $\sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[1.56632 - 2\phi]]} \text{Sin}[\phi]$

Out[171]= 14.9535  $\sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[1.56632 - 2\phi]]} \text{Cos}[\phi]$

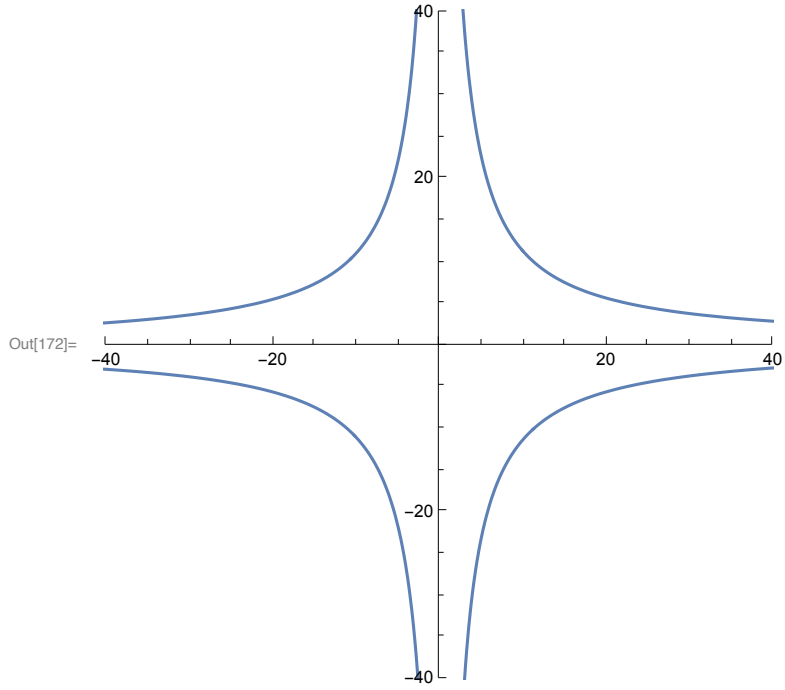


Figure 8a

## Comments for Figure 8b

**(\*Figure 8b**

2D RBS coordinates (xn, tpn) from Eq. (11) are plotted for  $\xi=1$  :

$$x_n = \chi * \sin[\phi] / \chi$$

$$t_{pn} = \chi * \cos[\phi] / \chi$$

The factor  $\chi = \sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[\theta] * \text{Sec}[2 * \phi - \theta]]}$  is substituted from Eq (8)

The specific case of  $\theta = \text{ArcSin}[0.99999]$  is assumed,  
which corresponds to  $v = 0.99999c$ , that is  $v \rightarrow c$  infinitesimally closely.

**Light line  $x=ct$  approaches infinitesimally close to the x-axis**

**Light line  $x'=-ct'$  approaches infinitesimally close to the  $ct'$ -axis \*)**

```
Clear[ $\theta$ ,  $\phi$ ,  $\xi$ ,  $\chi$ , x, tp]
```

```
 $\theta$  = ArcSin[0.99999]
```

```
 $\xi$  = 1
```

```
 $\chi$  =  $\sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[\theta] * \text{Sec}[2 * \phi - \theta]]}$ 
```

```
xn =  $\chi$  * Sin[ $\phi$ ] /  $\chi$ 
```

```
tpn =  $\chi$  * Cos[ $\phi$ ] /  $\chi$ 
```

```
ParametricPlot[{{xn, tpn}}, { $\phi$ , -Pi, Pi}, PlotRange -> {{-2, 2}, {-2, 2}}]
```

Out[132]= 1.56632

Out[133]= 1

Out[134]= 14.9535  $\sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[1.56632 - 2 \phi]]}$

Out[135]= 1. Sin[ $\phi$ ]

Out[136]= 1. Cos[ $\phi$ ]

## Code for Figure 8b



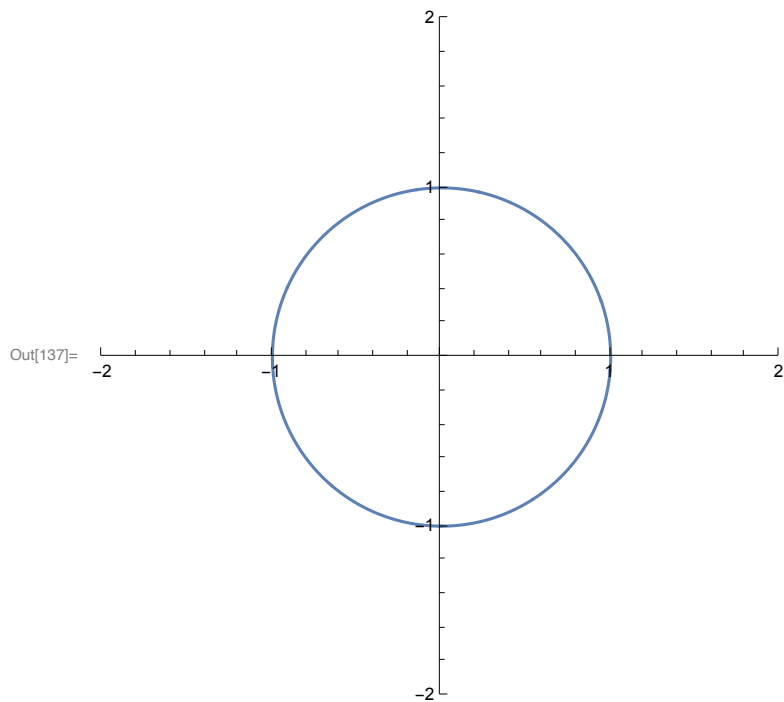


Figure 8b

## Comments for Figure 9a

(\*Figure 9a

**2D Blended Spacetime coordinates (x, ct')** is plotted from **Eq. (7)** for  $\xi=1$  :

$$x = \xi * \chi * \text{Sin}[\phi]$$

$$ct' = \xi * \chi * \text{Cos}[\phi]$$

The factor  $\chi = \sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[\theta] * \text{Sec}[2 * \phi - \theta]]}$  is substituted from **Eq (8)**

The specific case of  $\theta = \phi$  is assumed, which corresponds to **v=u \***

```
Clear[ $\theta$ ,  $\phi$ ,  $\xi$ ]
```

```
 $\theta = \phi$ 
```

```
 $\xi = 1$ 
```

```
 $\chi = \sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[\theta] * \text{Sec}[2 * \phi - \theta]]}$ 
```

```
 $x = \xi * \chi * \text{Sin}[\phi]$ 
```

```
 $tp = \xi * \chi * \text{Cos}[\phi]$ 
```

```
ParametricPlot[{{x, tp}}, { $\phi$ , -Pi, Pi}, PlotRange -> {{-5, 5}, {-1.5, 1.5}}]
```

Out[188]=  $\phi$

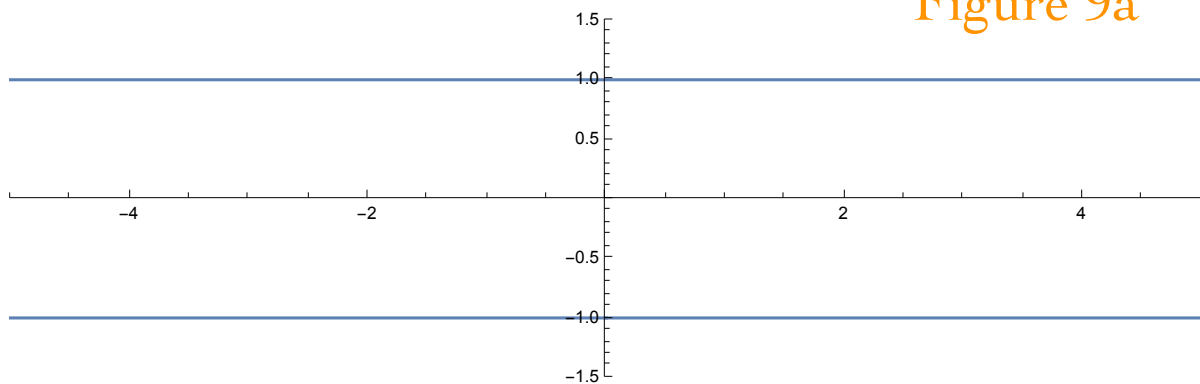
Out[189]= 1

Out[190]=  $\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[\phi]]$

Out[191]=  $\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[\phi]] \text{Sin}[\phi]$

Out[192]=  $\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[\phi]] \text{Cos}[\phi]$

Out[193]=



Code for Figure 9a

Figure 9a

## Comments for Figure 9b

### (\*Figure 9b

2D RBS coordinates (xn, tpn) from Eq. (11) are plotted for  $\xi=1$  :

$$x_n = \chi * \sin[\phi] / \chi$$

$$t_{pn} = \chi * \cos[\phi] / \chi$$

The factor  $\chi = \sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[\theta] * \text{Sec}[2 * \phi - \theta]]}$  is substituted from Eq (8)

The specific case of  $\theta = \phi$  is assumed,  
which corresponds to  $v = u$ , that is, the TF and the BF are coincident.

**Light lines  $x = +/- ct$  are parallel to the x-axis. \*)**

```
Clear[ $\theta$ ,  $\phi$ ,  $\xi$ ,  $\chi$ , x, tp]
```

```
 $\theta = \phi$ 
```

```
 $\xi = 1$ 
```

```
 $\chi = \sqrt{\text{Abs}[\text{Sec}[\theta] * \text{Sec}[2 * \phi - \theta]]}$ 
```

```
 $x_n = \chi * \sin[\phi] / \chi$ 
```

```
 $t_{pn} = \chi * \cos[\phi] / \chi$ 
```

```
ParametricPlot[{{xn, tpn}}, { $\phi$ , -Pi, Pi}, PlotRange -> {{-2, 2}, {-2, 2}}]
```

Out[195]=  $\phi$

Out[196]= 1

Out[197]= Abs[Sec[ $\phi$ ]]

Out[198]= Sin[ $\phi$ ]

Out[199]= Cos[ $\phi$ ]

## Code for Figure 9b

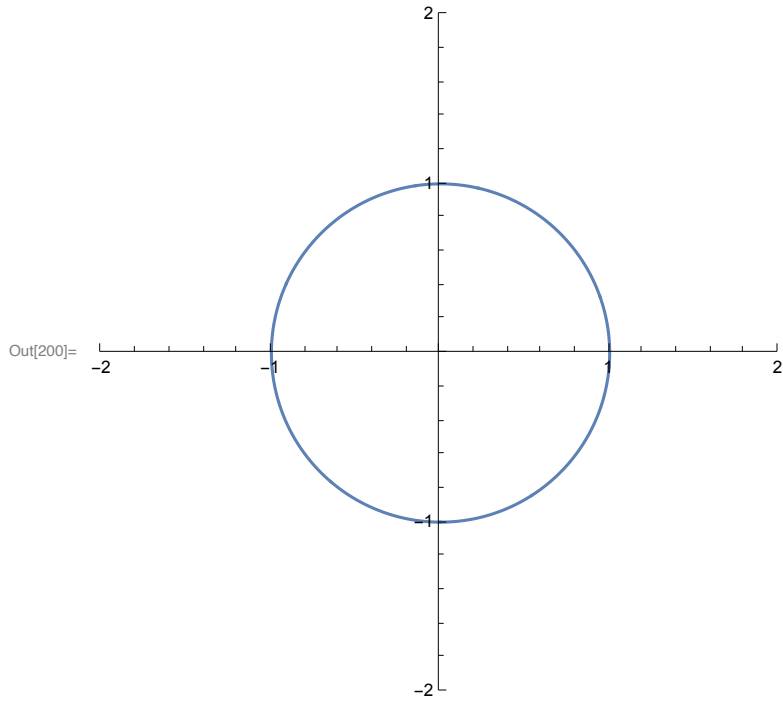


Figure 9b