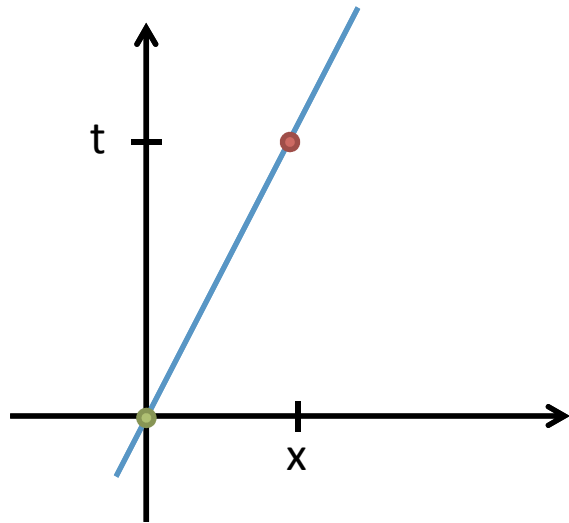


On the spacetime diagram shown, the blue line represents Superman flying at constant velocity. If this Superman's clock reads time 0 at the event marked by the green dot, what does his clock read at the event marked by the red dot? Answer in terms of x , t , and c only.

Extra: can you get the result in two separate ways, one using the invariant interval and one without?

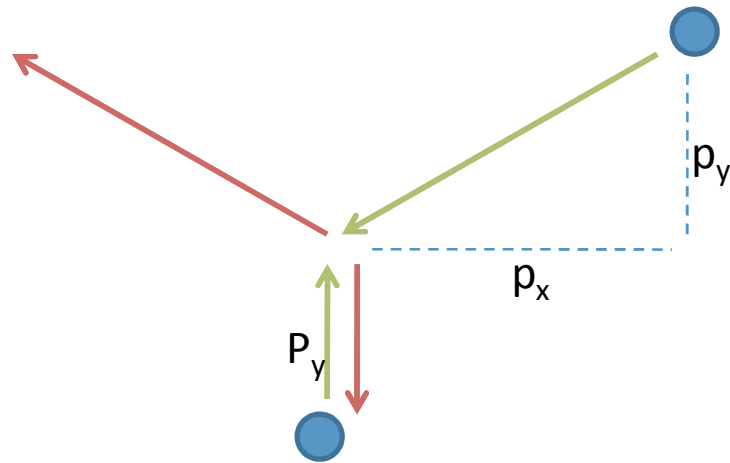


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Answer: the time will be the time elapsed between the two events in Superman's frame, the frame where both events are at the same place. Thus, the results is

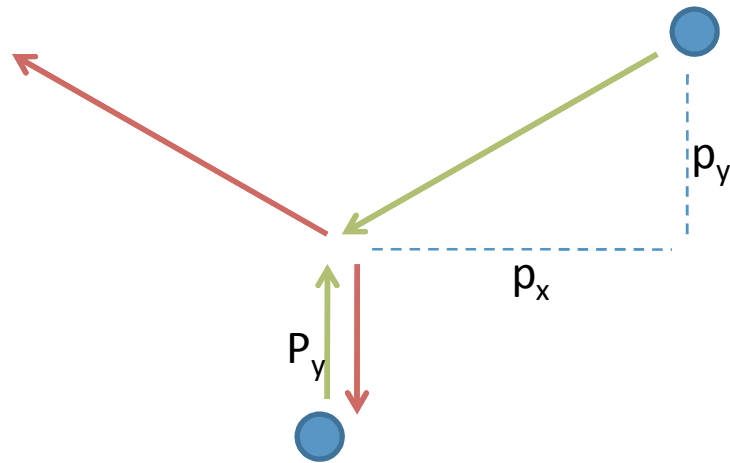
$$\frac{1}{c} \sqrt{-I} = \frac{1}{c} \sqrt{c^2 t^2 - x^2} = \sqrt{t^2 - x^2/c^2}$$

We get the same result by saying that the time is t/γ where γ is calculated using the velocity $v = x/t$



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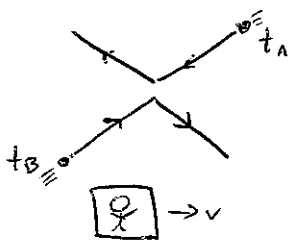
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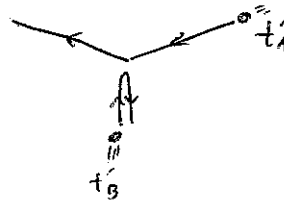
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New frame:



$$t' = \gamma \left(t - \frac{v}{c^2} x \right)$$

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 $t_A = t_B$ $x_A > x_B$

$$\therefore t'_A < t'_B$$