

Physics 200-05  
Practice 2

1) From the definitions

$$\cosh(\theta) = \frac{e^\theta + e^{-\theta}}{2} \quad (1)$$

$$\sinh(\theta) = \frac{e^\theta - e^{-\theta}}{2} \quad (2)$$

show that  $\cosh(\theta)^2 - \sinh(\theta)^2 = 1$  and find the derivatives of both  $\cosh(\theta)$  and  $\sinh(\theta)$ .

If  $\tanh(\theta) = \frac{\sinh(\theta)}{\cosh(\theta)} = \frac{v}{c}$ , find  $\cosh(\theta)$  and  $\sinh(\theta)$ .

2) Find the expression for the Lorentz transformation to first order in  $\frac{v}{c}$ .

3. What would the Lorentz transformation with velocity  $v$  in a direction at 30 degrees from the  $x$  axis in the  $x$ - $y$  plane?

4. What would the expression for distance be in three dimensions if the  $z$  directions are measured in feet, and  $x, y$  in meters? What would the expression for rotation by angle  $\theta$  about the  $y$  axis be.