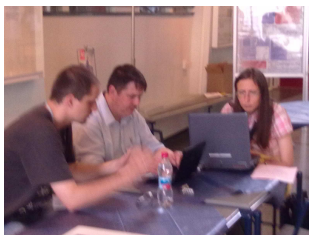
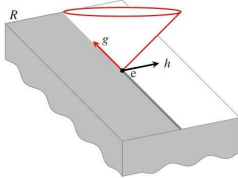


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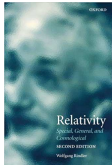
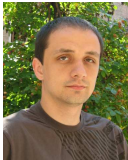
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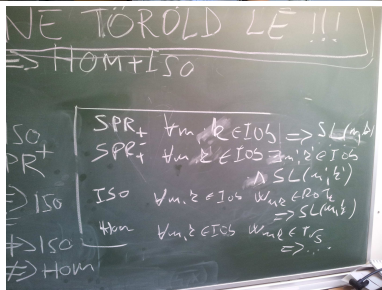
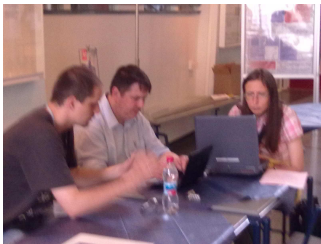


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Our results are general:

Our results apply to any language  $\mathcal{L}$  that contains our FOL language for kinematics.

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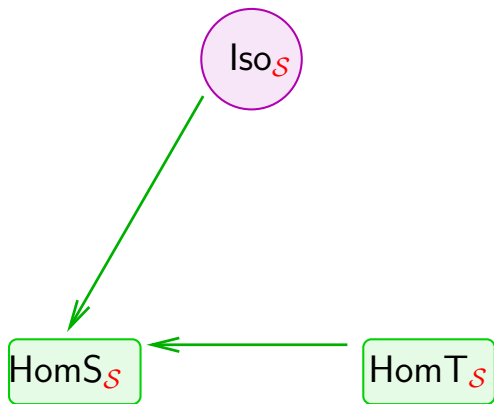
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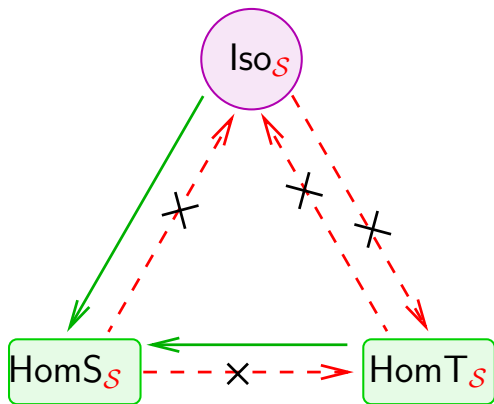
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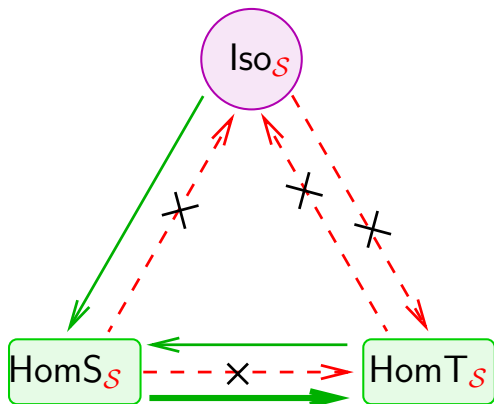
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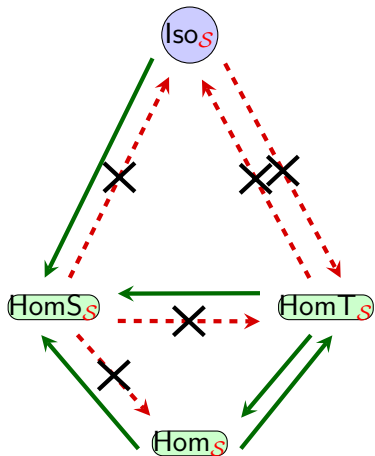
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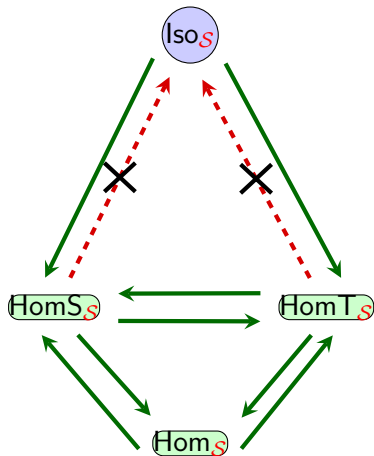
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Classical case



Relativistic case

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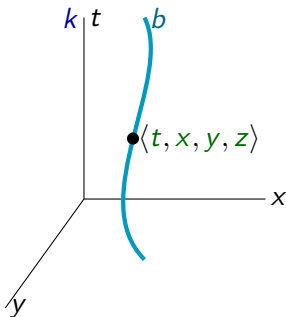
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W  $\leftrightarrow$  **Worldview** (a 6-ary relation of type IObBQQQQ)



$W(k, b, t, x, y, z) \iff$  "observer  $k$  coordinatizes body  $b$  at spacetime location (coordinate point)  $\langle t, x, y, z \rangle$ ."

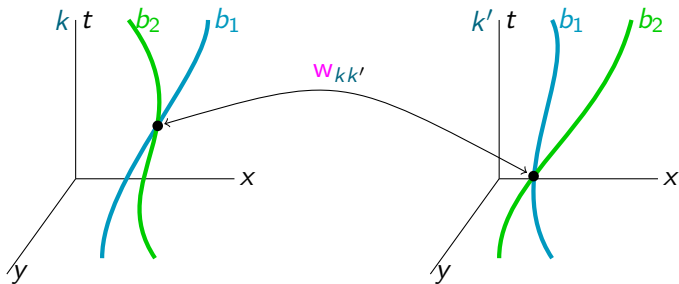


Worldline of body  $b$  according to observer  $k$

$$wline_k(b) = \{ \langle t, x, y, z \rangle \in Q^4 : W(k, b, t, x, y, z) \}$$

The **worldview transformation**  $w_{kk'}$  between observers  $k$  and  $k'$

$$w_{kk'}(t, x, y, z : t', x', y', z') \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \forall b [W(k, b, t, x, y, z) \iff W(k', b, t', x', y', z')].$$



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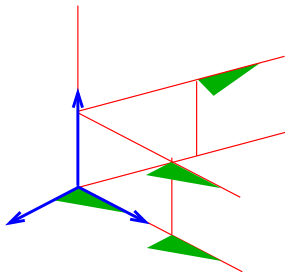
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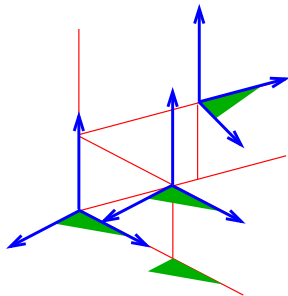
Dixon , 1978 relativity book:

“... **Principle of Uniformity** ... is a **formalization** of the hypothesis ... that space and time appear **isotropic** and **homogeneous** when viewed in an inertial reference frame.”

“ Its physical interpretation is that a given experiment will produce the same result wherever and whenever is performed, and whatever the orientation of the apparatus, provided that the circumstances of the experiment are identical in all other respects.”



“Two replications of an experiment can be considered as having the same circumstances if there exists two natural coordinate systems for the same inertial reference frame, one of which may be associated with each experiment in such a way that the initial conditions of the two are identical when each is referred to its associated coordinate system. Since natural coordinates are determined up to translation and rotation of the axes, this gives the required homogeneity and isotropy.”



## Axioms:

**AxEField**  $(\mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot, \leq)$  is an Euclidean ordered field.

Spatial rotations **SRot** of  $\mathbb{Q}^4$ .

Translations **Tran**, Spatial Translations **STran**, Temporal Translations **TTran** of  $\mathbb{Q}^4$

**AxTriv** Rotations and translations of inertial coordinate systems are also inertial coordinate systems

$\forall k \forall T \in \text{SRot} \cup \text{Tran} \exists k' w_{kk'} = T.$

**AxAfr** World-view transformations are affine transformations.

What are experiments? We don't know.

Gergely: Set  $\mathcal{S}$  of experimental scenarios:

$\mathcal{S} \subseteq$  "Formulas of  $\mathcal{L}$ "

$\phi \in \mathcal{S} \implies \phi$  has only one free variable of sort  $\text{IOb}$  and all the other free variables are of sort  $\text{Q}$ .

Scenario  $\phi(k, \vec{x}) = \phi(k, x_1, \dots, x_n)$  is a description of an experiment,

where free variables  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  of sort  $\text{Q}$  are the experimental parameters containing the configuration, progress and outcome of the experiment, and free variable  $k$  of sort  $\text{IOb}$  . . . .

$$\psi(k, x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) =$$

$$(\forall p \in \text{Photons})[(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \in \text{wline}_k(p) \Rightarrow \text{speed}_k(p) = x_5].$$

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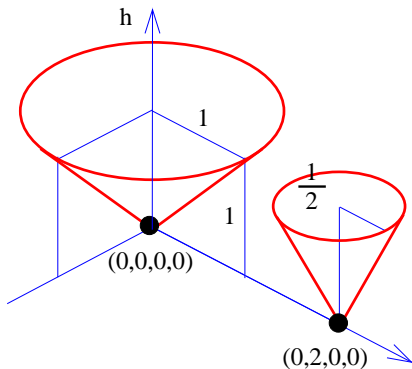
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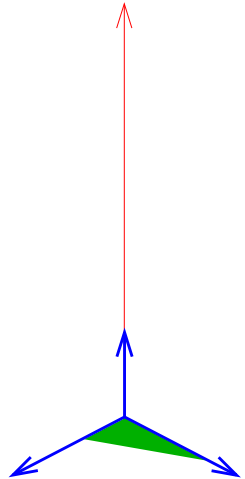


Agree $\langle k, k', \phi \rangle$ : Inertial observers  $k$  and  $k'$  agree on the realizability of experimental scenario  $\phi$

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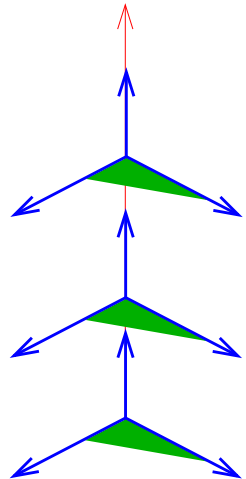
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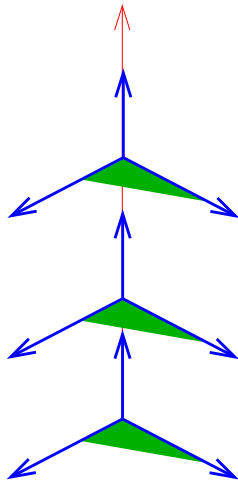


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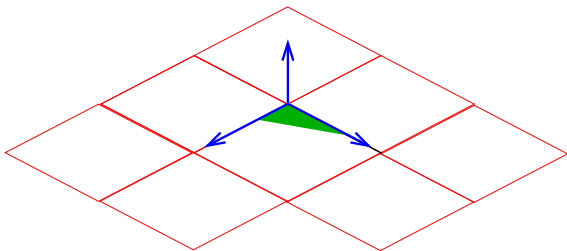
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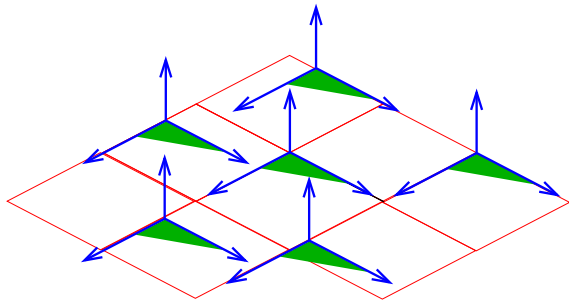
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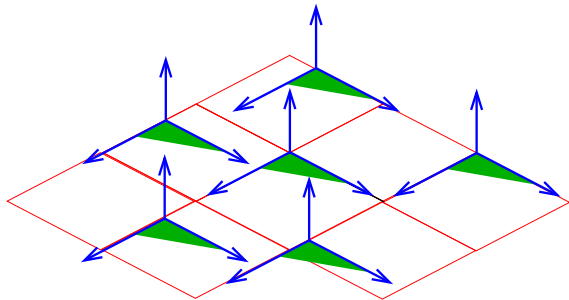
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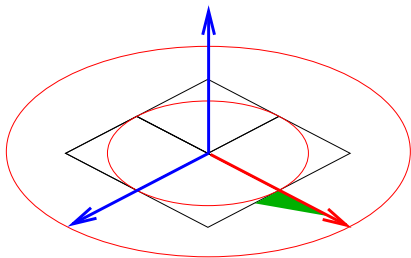
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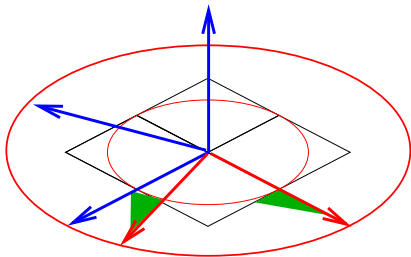
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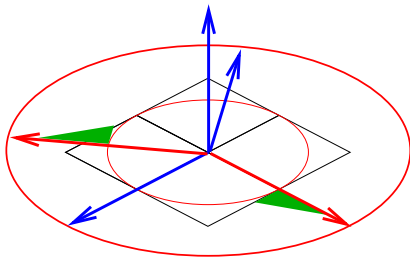
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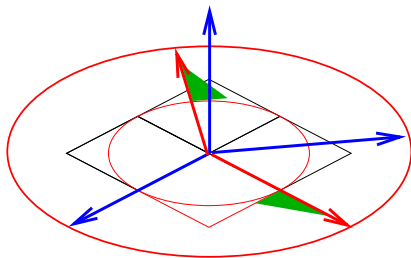
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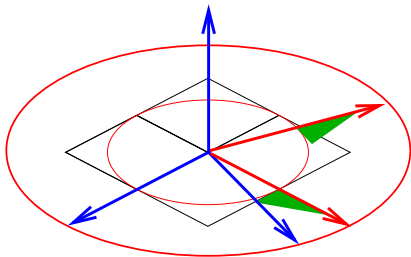
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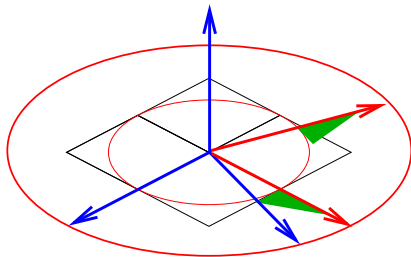
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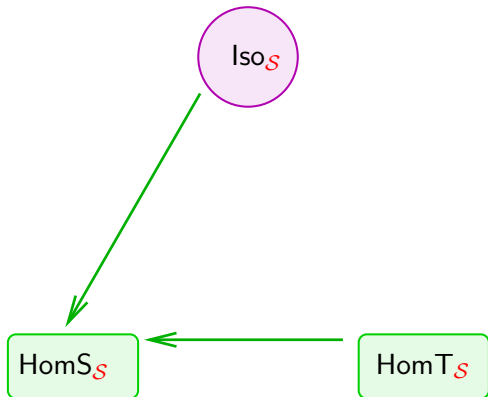
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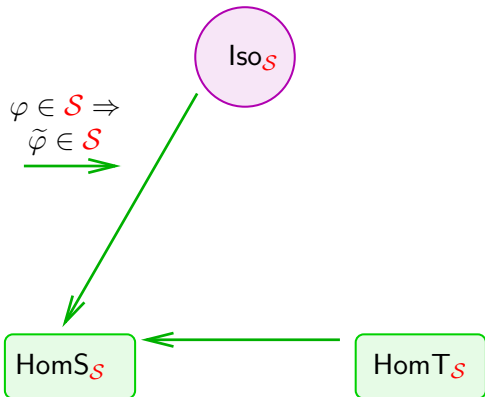
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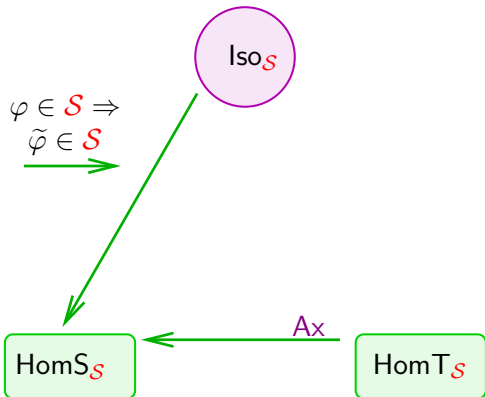
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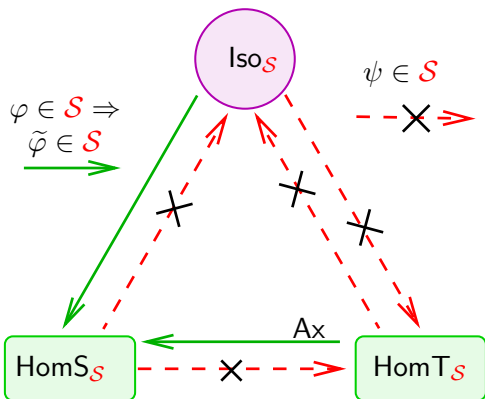
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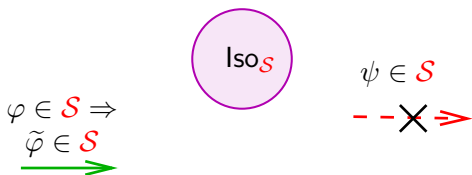


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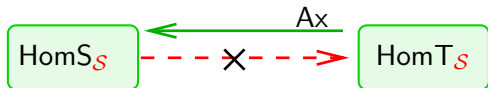
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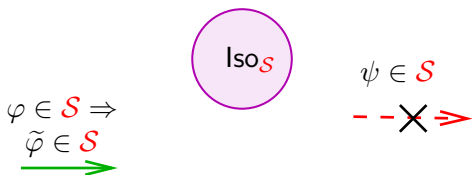
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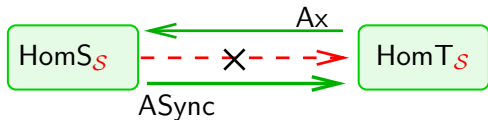
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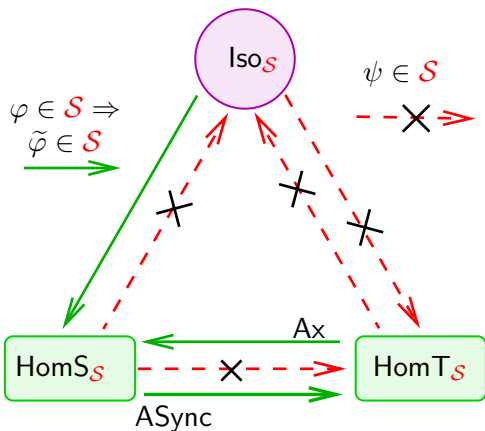
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## CoordSPR $\mathcal{S}$

All inertial observers agree on satisfiability of experimental scenarios.

$$\text{CoordSPR}_{\mathcal{S}} = \{\text{Agree}\langle k, k', \phi \rangle : \phi \in \mathcal{S}\}$$

### Theorem:

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{S}} \& \text{Iso}_{\mathcal{S}} \iff \text{CoordSPR}_{\mathcal{S}}$$

assuming  $\text{AxEField}$ ,  $\text{AxTriv}$ ,  $\text{AxAfr}$ ,  $\varphi \in \mathcal{S} \Rightarrow \tilde{\varphi} \in \mathcal{S}$  and an axiom saying that world-view transformations between inertial observers that rest wrt each other and have the same origin are spatial rotations.

What are the connections between our formalizations of SPR, Homogeneity, Isotropy with “real SPR”, “real Homogeneity”, “real Isotropy”?

What are the connections between our set  $\mathcal{S}$  of experimental scenarios with “real experiments”?

What are the connections between other formalizations of SPR, HOM?

## Connections with other approaches:

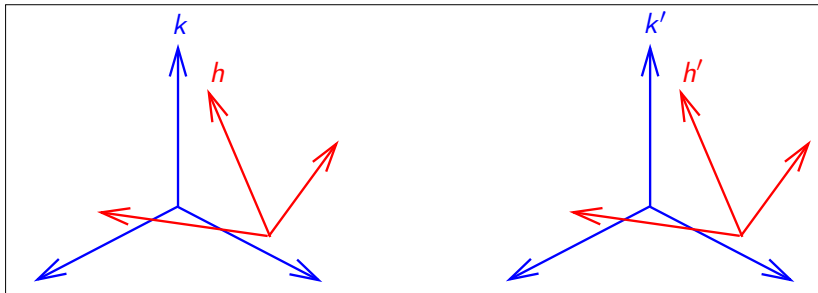




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Assume  $\varphi \in \mathcal{S} \Rightarrow \tilde{\varphi} \in \mathcal{S}$ . Then

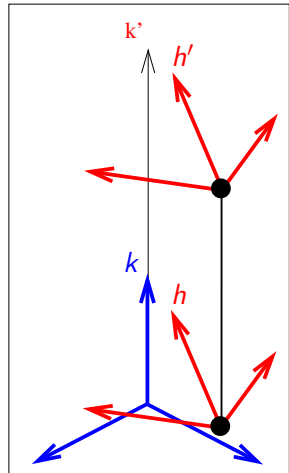
$$[w_{kh} = w_{k'h'} \wedge \text{Agree}(k, k', \mathcal{S})] \implies \text{Agree}(h, h', \mathcal{S}).$$



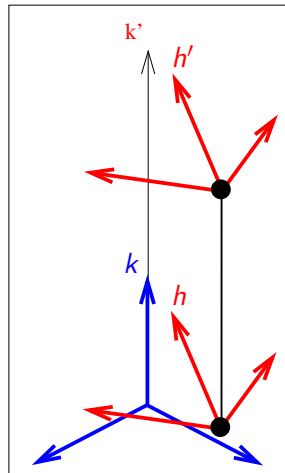
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Proof:



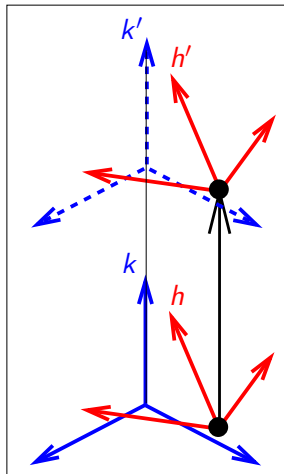
Proof:

Let  $k'$  be such that  $w_{k'k}$  is a translation by the black arrow.

$$w_{kh} = w_{k'h'},$$

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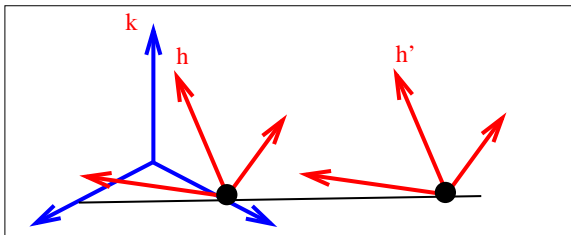
$\text{Agree}(h, h', S)$  by the previous lemma.



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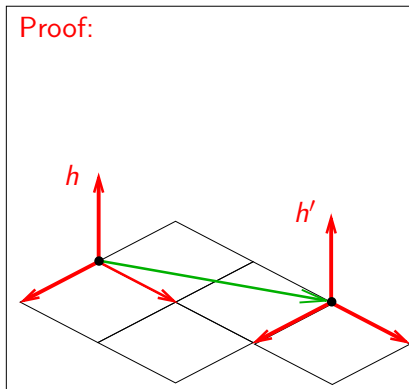
Theorem:

$\text{Hom}T_{\mathcal{S}} \implies \text{Hom}S_{\mathcal{S}}$  if observers can move in any spatial direction  
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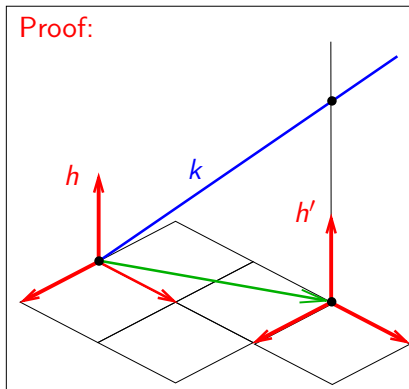
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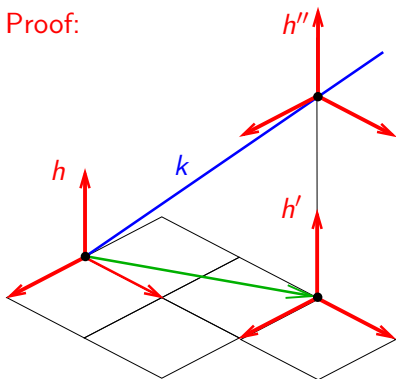




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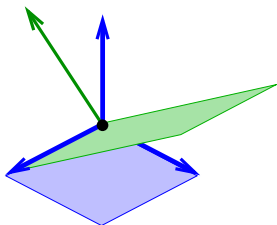
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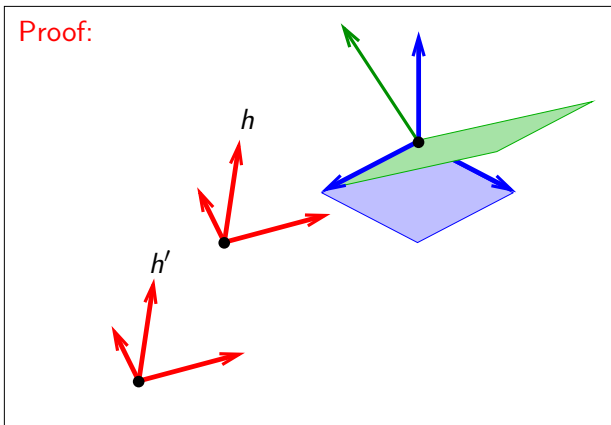
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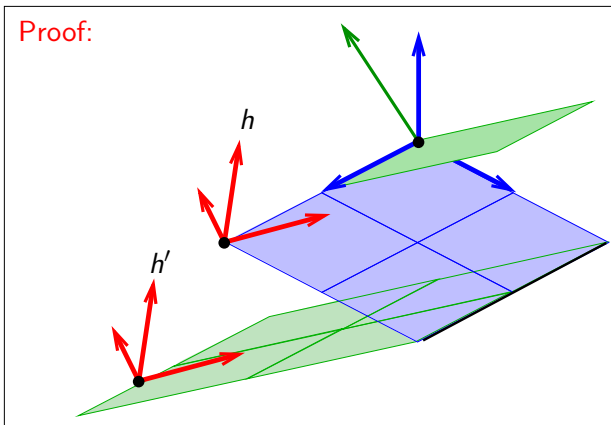
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