I have seen the Eisntein summation notation before:

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} \equiv a_{\mu} b^{\mu}$$

A. Yes and I'm comfortable with itB. Yes, but I'm just a little rusty with itC. Yes, but I don't remember it it allD. Nope

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Poster printing (Free!)
  - Send your poster (PDF or PPT) to coeprint@msu.edu
  - Tell them you are in PHY 482
  - Make sure to give a couple of days for the print! (No weekends)
- Last Quiz (this Friday)
  - Use special relativity to investigate the effects of particle detection
  - Compare two events observed from different frames

**True or False:** The dot product (in 3 space) is invariant to rotations.

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} \equiv a_{\mu} b^{\mu}$$
  
A. True  
B. False

C. No idea

Displacement is a defined quantity

$$\Delta x^{\mu} \equiv \left( x^{\mu}_A - x^{\mu}_B \right)$$

Is the displacement a contravariant 4-vector?

A. Yes

B. No

C. Umm...don't know how to tell

D. None of these.

Be ready to explain your answer.

The displacement between two events  $\Delta x^{\mu}$  is a contravariant 4-vector. Is  $5\Delta x^{\mu}$  also a 4-vector?

> A. Yes B. No

The displacement between two events  $\Delta x^{\mu}$  is a contravariant 4-vector.

Is  $\Delta x^{\mu}/\Delta t$  also a 4-vector (where  $\Delta t$  is the time between in events in some frame)?

A. Yes B. No

## The displacement between two events $\Delta x^{\mu}$ is a contravariant 4-vector.

Is  $\Delta x^{\mu}/\Delta \tau$  also a 4-vector (where  $\Delta \tau$  is the proper time)?

A. Yes B. No