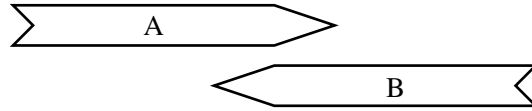


[mex208] Who passes more quickly?

Spaceships A and B , each having proper length $\ell_0 = 100\text{m}$, pass each other moving in opposite direction with relative velocity of $v_r = 7 \times 10^7 \text{m/s}$. Each spaceship has synchronized clocks at both ends, front and rear. The crew in each spaceship measures the time it takes the other spaceship to pass. In spaceship A , they measure the time t_A it takes the front end of spaceship B to move between the clocks at their front and at their rear. In spaceship B they measure the time t_B it takes the entire spaceship A to pass the clock at their front. Which spaceship passes more quickly? What are the two times in nanoseconds?



Solution: