

#### Amanda Gorman, <u>The Hill We Climb</u>

### Relativity

## Conclusion

- Light travels through vacuum (like any particle)
- The speed of light is constant: all directions, all observers
- Time is not constant!

#### Atmospheric muons



### Light clock



Speed of light is *constant* 

#### Online course of the future





#### Student A

Student B

#### Light clock (student A homework)



#### Light clock (student B homework)







#### Takeaways

- Everyone see's their clock (time) as normal
- Everyone else's clock is running slow (if there is relative motion)
- They're <u>both</u> right

#### Atmospheric muons



#### Particle accelerators



## Clocks



# Simultaneity



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- Different observers will disagree on which event happened first
- No such thing as absolute time everyone agrees on

# Doppler shift

## Looking back in time



### Special relativity review

- Speed of light is constant... which means
- You see other's clock as running slow
- Different observers disagree on which events happened first, so no absolute time
- Light color can doppler shift (blue coming towards you, red going away)
- We see distant objects as they appear in the past

Measuring distance with light