

34.11. Model: Use the Galilean transformation of fields.

Visualize: Please refer to Figure Ex34.11. We are given $\vec{V} = 1.0 \times 10^6 \hat{i} \text{ m/s}$, $\vec{B} = 0.50 \hat{k} \text{ T}$, and $\vec{E} = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{j}\right) \times 10^6 \text{ V/m}$.

Solve: Equation 34.15 gives the Galilean transformation equation for the electric field in the S and S' frames: $\vec{E}' = \vec{E} + \vec{V} \times \vec{B}$. The electric field from the moving rocket is

$$\vec{E}' = (\hat{i} + \hat{j})0.707 \times 10^6 \text{ V/m} + (1.0 \times 10^6 \hat{i} \text{ m/s}) \times (0.50 \hat{k} \text{ T}) = (0.707 \times 10^6 \hat{i} + 0.207 \times 10^6 \hat{j}) \text{ V/m}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{0.207 \times 10^6 \text{ V/m}}{0.707 \times 10^6 \text{ V/m}} \right) = 16.3^\circ \text{ above the } x'\text{-axis}$$