

Problem 1

(a) What is true about the acceleration of a simple harmonic oscillation?

- A) The acceleration is a maximum when the displacement is a maximum.
- B) The acceleration is a maximum when the displacement is zero.
- C) The acceleration is a maximum when the speed is a maximum.
- D) The acceleration is zero when the object is instantaneously at rest.
- E) None of the above.

(b) An object is attached to a vertical spring and bobs up and down between the two points A and B. When the kinetic energy is a minimum, the object is located:

- A) midway between A and B.
- B) $1/2$ of the distance from A to B.
- C) $1/\sqrt{2}$ times the distance from A to B.
- D) at either A or B.
- E) None of the above.

(c) A wave is traveling along a string. We can double the wave power by

- A) increasing the amplitude of the wave by a factor of 4.
- B) increasing the amplitude of the wave by a factor of 2.
- C) increasing the amplitude of the wave by a factor of $\sqrt{2}$.
- D) reducing the amplitude of the wave by a factor of 2.
- E) None of the above.

(d) Consider the wave on a vibrating guitar string and the sound wave the guitar produces in the air. The string wave and the sound wave must have the same

- A) wavelength.
- B) frequency.
- C) velocity.
- D) amplitude.
- E) More than one of the above is true.

(e) Observer A is a distance r away from a light bulb and observer B is $4r$ away from the same bulb. If observer B sees a light intensity I , observer A will see a light intensity of:

- A) I .
- B) $4I$.
- C) $16I$.
- D) $I/4$.
- E) $I/16$.

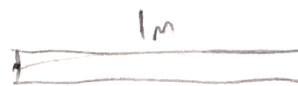
$$\frac{I_B}{I_A} = \frac{r_a^2}{r_b^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_A &= \frac{r_b^2}{r_a^2} I_B \\ &= \frac{16r^2}{r^2} I \\ &= 16I \end{aligned}$$

(f) A stopped pipe (with one-end open) is 1 m long and has a fundamental frequency 10 Hz.

What is the sound wave speed in it?:

- A) 10 ms^{-1} .
- B) 20 ms^{-1} .
- C) 30 ms^{-1} .
- D) 40 ms^{-1} .
- E) Not enough information to compute.



$$\lambda = 4L$$

$$f = \frac{v}{\lambda}$$

$$f_1 = 4L = v$$

(g) Which one of the following is true about the sound intensity level β and intensity I ?

- A) Both of them obey inverse-square distance laws.
- B) Both of them can be negative.
- C) Both of them can never be negative.
- D) β obeys the inverse-square distance law but I does not.
- E) I can never be negative but β can be negative.

(h) A 1 m long pipe can produce sound of wavelengths 0.8 m, $4/3$ m, 4 m (no wavelengths longer than these). This pipe is

- A) both ends open.
- B) both ends closed.
- C) one end open.
- D) We cannot judge since the speed is unknown.
- E) None of the above.

1 m

$$\lambda = \frac{2L}{n} = \frac{2}{n}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{4L}{n}$$



(i) Two pure tones are sounded together and a beat frequency f_{beat} is heard. What happens to f_{beat} if the frequency of one of the tones is increased?

- A) It increases.
- B) It decreases.
- C) It remains unchanged.
- D) It vanishes.
- E) Not enough information to judge.

$$f_{\text{beat}} = f_a - f_b$$

(j) A simple harmonic oscillator has a maximum amplitude A and a maximum speed of v . When the displacement is $A/2$, the speed becomes?

- A) $2v$.
- B) $v/2$.
- C) $\sqrt{3}v/2$.
- D) $\sqrt{2}v/3$.
- E) $\sqrt{2}v$.

$$v_{\text{max}} = \omega A_{\text{max}}$$

$$v = \omega A \sin(\omega t)$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2} A$$

$$\cos(\omega t) = \frac{1}{2}$$

cos

ωt

Problem 2

A transverse string wave is traveling along the x -axis (towards +v.e. x), with speed v , amplitude A and wavelength λ . At $x = t = 0$, the displacement is upward, i.e. $y(x = t = 0) = A$. Express your answers in terms of v , A , λ . (a) What are the wave number k and angular frequency ω ? (b) Write down the wave function $y(x, t)$. (c) What is the maximum magnitudes of transverse velocity and acceleration? (d) When $|y| = A/3$, what is the transverse acceleration magnitude? (e) What is the conditions for x and t at which $y(x, t) = A$? (f) If the wave reverses its propagation direction, which of the above answers (a-e) remain(s) unchanged? (g) If the initial condition is changed to $y(x = t = 0) = 0$ instead, which of the above answers (a-e) remain(s) unchanged?

Problem 3

A simple harmonic oscillator is characterized by mass m , spring constant k and amplitude A . Suppose we have an initial displacement $y(t = 0) = A$. (a) Write down the expressions for the kinetic energy $E_{KE}(t)$ and potential energy $E_{PE}(t)$. Plot them as a function of time. (b) At $t = t_0$, $E_{KE}(t_0) = E_{PE}(t_0)$. Find the smallest t_0 . What is corresponding displacement magnitude? (c) When $y(t) = A/2$, what is the ratio of $E_{KE}(t)$ to $E_{PE}(t)$?

Problem 4

(a) Four identical sound sources are placed along the x -axis at $x = 0$, x_0 , $2x_0$, $3x_0$ and each of them produces unidirectional sound with amplitude A and wavelength λ . What is the net wave amplitude if the separation (i) $x_0 = 2\lambda$, (ii) $x_0 = \lambda$, (iii) $x_0 = \lambda/2$, (iv) $x_0 = \lambda/4$?

(b) Now remove the sound source at $x = 3x_0$. What is the net wave amplitude if (i) $x_0 = 2\lambda$, (ii) $x_0 = \lambda$, (iii) $x_0 = \lambda/2$, (iv) $x_0 = \lambda/4$?

Problem 5

You are driving at velocity $v_{me} = v/5$, where v is the sound speed. A police car is approaching you from behind and you hear a siren frequency f_1 . You are then relieved as the police car continues past you, after which you hear another frequency $f_2 = f_1/2$. Assuming that all velocities are constant. (a) What is the speed of the police car v_p (in terms of v)? (b) What is the siren frequency f_p heard by the police (in terms of f_1)?

$$k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$

$$\omega = vk$$

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi v}{\lambda}$$

2 a.

b. $y(x, t) = A \cos(kx - \omega t)$

$$y(x, t) = A \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} x - \frac{2\pi v}{\lambda} t\right)$$

$$y(x, t) = A \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (x - vt)\right)$$

c. $v(x, t) = \frac{dy}{dt} = + \frac{2\pi v}{\lambda} A \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (x - vt)\right)$

v_{\max} is when $\sin(\) = 1$

$$v_{\max} = \frac{2\pi v}{\lambda} A$$

$$a(x, t) = \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \omega A \sin(kx - \omega t)$$

$$= -\omega^2 A \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

$$a_{\max} = \omega^2 A$$

replace ω

$$a_{\max} = \left(\frac{2\pi v}{\lambda}\right)^2 A$$

or $\frac{4\pi^2 v^2}{\lambda^2} A$

d. $y = \frac{A}{3}$ $\cos(kx - \omega t) = \frac{1}{3}$

$$a = a_{\max} \cdot \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{4\pi^2 v^2}{\lambda^2} A$$

$$a = \frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{\pi^2 v^2}{\lambda^2} \cdot A$$

e. $\cos(kx - \omega t) = 1$

i.e. $kx - \omega t = n2\pi$ (some multiple of 2π)

$$\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (x - vt) = n2\pi$$

$$x - vt = \lambda n$$

$$\frac{x - vt}{\lambda} = n \text{ (some integer)}$$

i.e. $x = vt + \lambda n$

some integer

f. answers (a), (c), (d) and (e)
remain unchanged

g. answers (a), (c), (d)
remain unchanged

$$3. a. E_{KE}(t) = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$$

$$v = -\omega A \sin(\omega t)$$

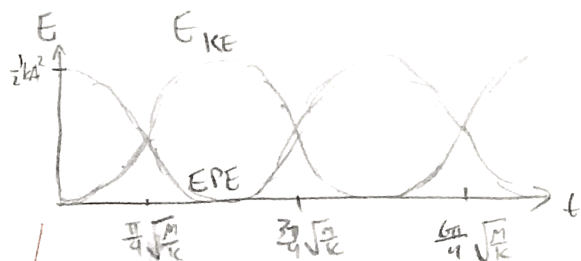
$$v^2 = \omega^2 A^2 \sin^2(\omega t)$$

$$E_{KE}(t) = \frac{1}{2} k A^2 \sin^2\left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} t\right)$$

$$E_{PE}(t) = \frac{1}{2} k x^2 \quad x = A \cos(\omega t)$$

$$E_{PE}(t) = \frac{1}{2} k A^2 \cos^2\left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} t\right)$$

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \quad \omega^2 = \frac{k}{m}$$



$$b. \sin^2\left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} t\right) = \cos^2\left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} t\right)$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} t = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$t = \frac{\pi}{4} \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}$$

$$t_0 = \frac{\pi}{4} \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}$$

$$|y(t_0)| = A \cos\left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}} \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$= A \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$= \frac{A}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$|y(t_0)| = \frac{A}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$c. \gamma = \frac{A}{2} \quad \cos(\omega t) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\omega t = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$t = \frac{\pi}{3} \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}$$

$$\frac{E_{KE}}{E_{PE}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} k A^2 \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)}{\frac{1}{2} k A^2 \cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)} = \frac{\sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)}{\cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)} = \frac{0.75}{0.25}$$

$$E_{KE} : E_{PE} = 3 : 1$$

$$\frac{E_{KE}}{E_{PE}} = 3$$

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a. (i) $x_0 = 2\lambda$



constructive waves

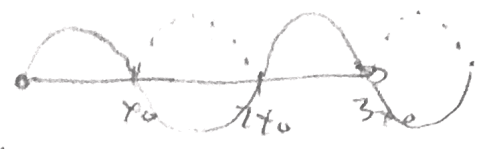
Net Wave Amplitude = $\boxed{4A}$

(ii) $x_0 = \lambda$

also constructive

Net Wave Amp. = $\boxed{4A}$

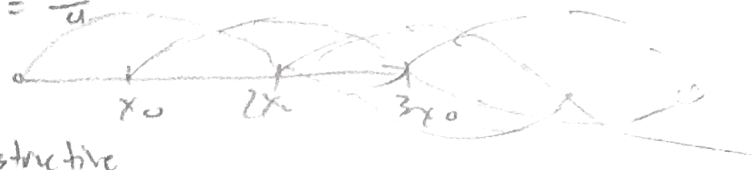
(iii) $x_0 = \frac{\lambda}{2}$



net wave amplitude = $\boxed{0}$

destructive

(iv) $x_0 = \frac{\lambda}{4}$



net wave amplitude = $\boxed{0}$

destructive

6. (i.) constructive, minus one source net amplitude = $\boxed{3A}$

(ii.) constructive, minus one source net amplitude = $\boxed{3A}$



first two destruct, 3rd by itself net amplitude = \boxed{A}



first and third destruct, 2nd by itself net amplitude = \boxed{A}

$$5. \quad v_{me} = v/5 \quad f_2 = \text{behind} \quad f_2 = f_1/2$$

a.

$$f_1 = \frac{v - v_{me}}{v - v_p} f_{\text{car}} \quad f_2 = \frac{v + v_{me}}{v + v_p} f_{\text{car}}$$

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$$\frac{v + v_{me}}{v + v_p} f_{\text{car}} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{v - v_{me}}{v - v_p} f_{\text{car}}$$

$$(v + v_{me})(v - v_p) = \frac{1}{2}(v - v_{me})(v + v_p)$$

$$\frac{6v}{5}(v - v_p) = \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{4v}{5}\right)(v + v_p)$$

$$\frac{6v^2}{5} - \frac{6v \cdot v_p}{5} = \frac{2v^2}{5} + \frac{2v \cdot v_p}{5}$$

$$\frac{4v^2}{5} = \frac{8v \cdot v_p}{5}$$

$$\frac{4v^2}{8v} = v_p$$

$$\boxed{v_p = \frac{1}{2}v} \quad \checkmark$$

$$b. \quad f_1 = \frac{v - v_{me}}{v - v_p} f_p$$

$$= \frac{v - \frac{v}{5}}{v - \frac{1}{2}v} f_p$$

$$= \frac{\frac{4}{5}v}{\frac{1}{2}v} f_p$$

$$= \frac{8}{5} f_p$$

$$\boxed{f_p = \frac{5}{8} f_1} \quad \checkmark$$