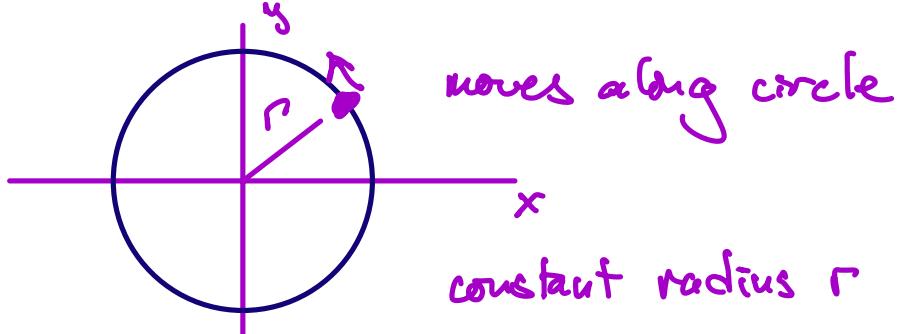


Previous chapter covered oscillations

Review: uniform circular motion



tangential velocity v_t constant magnitude

$v_t = \frac{\text{dist}}{\text{time}}$ let $T =$ period time for 1 complete revolution

dist 1 rev = $2\pi r$ circumf of circle

$$\text{so } v_t = \frac{2\pi r}{T}$$

define frequency = # rev/sec

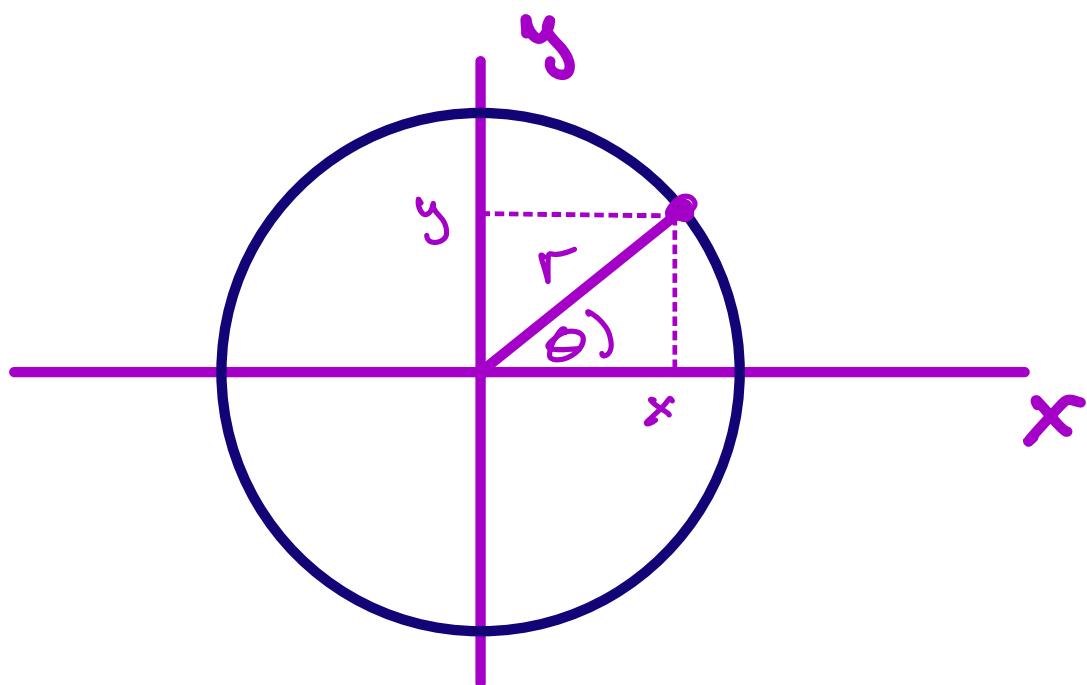
$$f = \frac{1}{T} \text{ rev/time}$$

so define angular frequency $\omega = \# \text{ angles/sec}$

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} = 2\pi f$$

and $\boxed{\omega t = \theta}$

what does motion along x & y look like?



$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x = r \cos \theta \\ y = r \sin \theta \end{array} \right\} \theta \text{ is changing uniform rate}$$

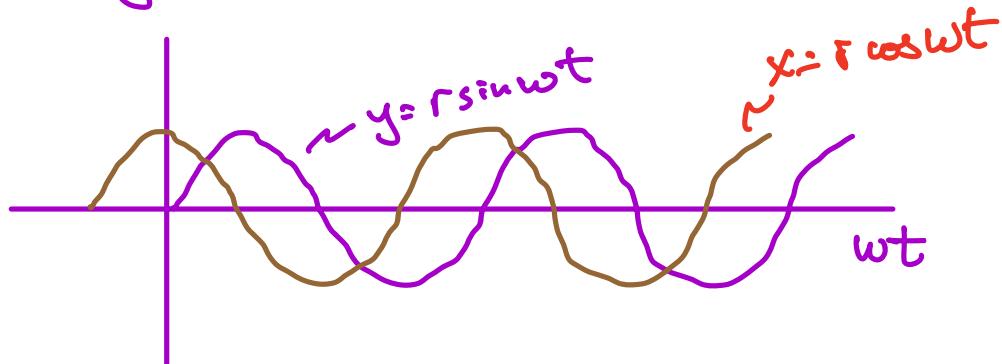
that means $\frac{d\theta}{dt} = \text{const} = \frac{\Delta \text{angle}}{\Delta \text{time}} = \frac{2\pi}{T} = \omega$

solve $\frac{d\theta}{dt} = \omega$ constant

$$\theta = \omega t \quad (\theta = 0 \text{ at } t = 0)$$

$$SD \quad x = r \cos \omega t$$

$$y = r \sin \omega t$$



x & y exhibit simple harmonic motion

$$x = r \cos \omega t \quad \text{SHM}$$

↑
amplitude } always an angle = "phase"

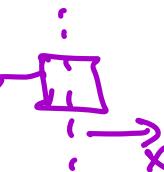
$$\text{more general: } x = r \cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

↑
phase constant

ϕ just tells you where x is when $t=0$

\Rightarrow something controlled by initial conditions

x can measure position around circle

Free  displacement from equilibrium

if x measures displ from equilibrium,
then it takes energy to displace it

usually $E \propto x^2$ (energy \propto amplitude²)

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Waves

oscillations can generate waves

ex: oscillations in bath tub generates
water waves

waves are a "disturbance" in a medium

water waves: disturbance in water with
gravity and inertia

sound: pressure disturbance propagating
in air

EM: electromagnetic disturbance moving
through space - but no medium
(special case!)

Disturbance propagated along medium:

transverse: disturbance \perp wave direction
e.g. water waves

longitudinal : disturbance parallel to wave direction

e.g. sound

earthquakes produce both!

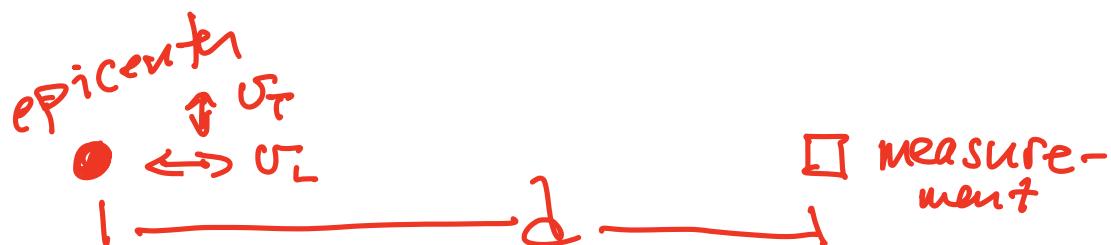
note: wave propagation velocity will depend on properties of medium

\Rightarrow so v_t for transverse

v_L for longitudinal

for earthquakes $v_L > v_t$

\Rightarrow so can use this to locate epicenter by measuring time diff between v_t & v_L in 3 different locations (knowing v_t & v_L)



- an earthquake happens at some location and at time t_0

- an unknown distance d away are seismometers that can measure transverse & longitudinal waves
- v_t vel of transverse wave
 v_L " " longitudinal wave
 $v_L > v_t$
- seismometers detect waves at times t_L & t_t

$$d = v_t(t_t - t_0) = v_L(t_L - t_0)$$

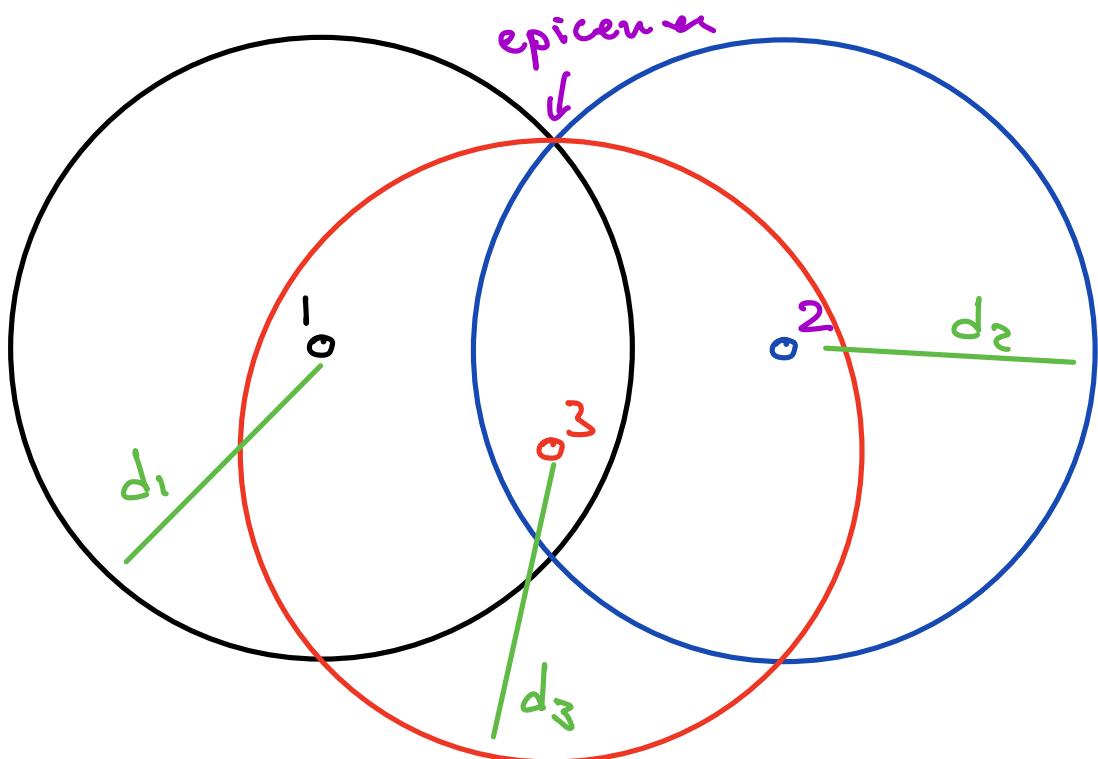
$\Delta t = t_t - t_L$ time between arrival of the 2 waves
use $t_t = \frac{d}{v_t} + t_0$

$$t_L = \frac{d}{v_L} + t_0$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta t &= \frac{d}{v_t} + t_0 - \left(\frac{d}{v_L} + t_0 \right) \\ &= \frac{d}{v_t} - \frac{d}{v_L} = d \left(\frac{1}{v_t} - \frac{1}{v_L} \right)\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{so } d = \frac{\Delta t}{\frac{1}{v_t} - \frac{1}{v_L}} = \frac{v_t \Delta t}{1 - \frac{v_t}{v_L}}$$

- by measuring Δt and knowing v_t, v_L can calculate d



measure At at point 1, 2, 3 and triangulate

Mechanical waves

parameters

Period: T time for 1 cycle

Frequency: f #cycles/sec

$$\Rightarrow 1 \text{ cycle so } f = 1/T$$

Angular frequency: $\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} = 2\pi f$

Amplitude: max displacement

$$\text{ex: } x = r \cos \omega t$$

ϕ amplitude ω angular frequency

wave propagates in some direction
with velocity v

v depends on medium

ex: sound \Rightarrow pressure disturbance in a medium

air	water	rock	steel
343 m/s	1500 m/s	2000 m/s	6000 m/s

in general: denser medium \Rightarrow higher velocity for
pressure waves

why? because wave is from interplay between
inertia and restoring forces

water: gravity

spring: spring elastic properties

wave length: λ

defined as distance wave repeats

- if wave propagates w/ velocity v
- and wave repeats every T seconds

then $\lambda = vT$

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

so $v = \lambda f$

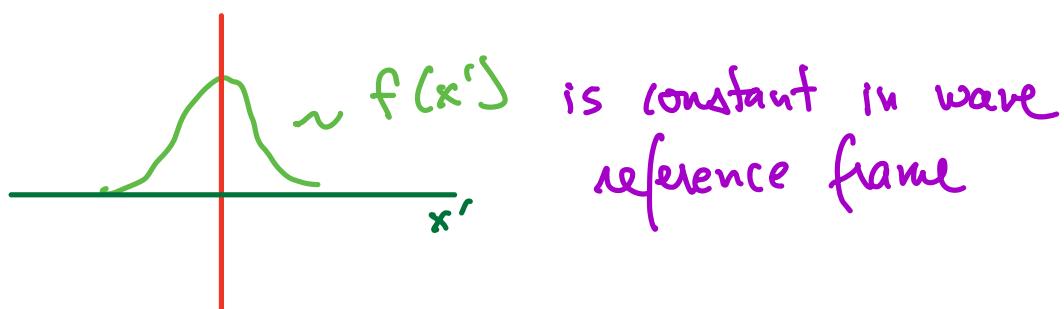
this is a general characteristic of mechanical waves

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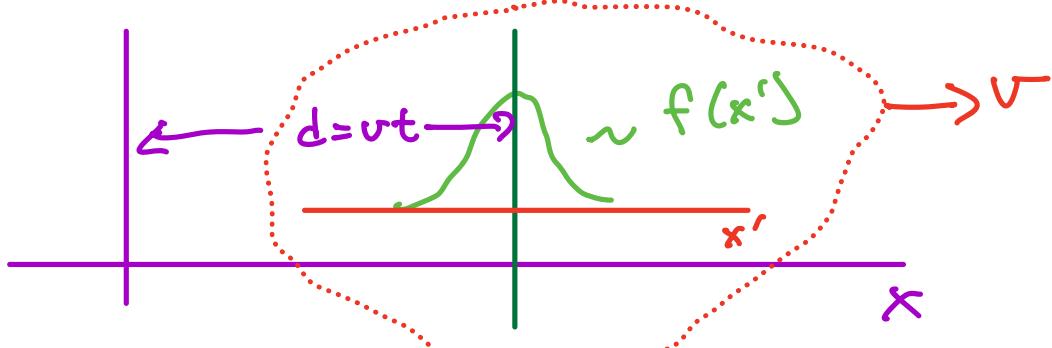
Wave pulse see https://www.physics.umd.edu/hep/drew/shiva_wave.html#traveling



assume shape stays constant as wave moves
in rest frame of wave let x' be coordinate
relative to wave center



in lab frame wave moves along x



frame x' moves dist $d = vt$ in time t

$$\text{so } x = d + x' = vt + x' \Rightarrow x' = x - vt$$

$$\text{so } f(x') = f(x - vt)$$

this is the "wave function" of the wave in lab reference frame

in general: $f(x - vt)$ wave moves in $+x$ dir

$$\text{200 1/29} \quad f(x + vt) \quad " \quad " \quad " -x " \quad (v \rightarrow -v)$$

Sinusoidal traveling wave: $f \rightarrow \cos$ or \sin

see https://www.physics.umd.edu/hep/drew/shiva_wave.html#periodic

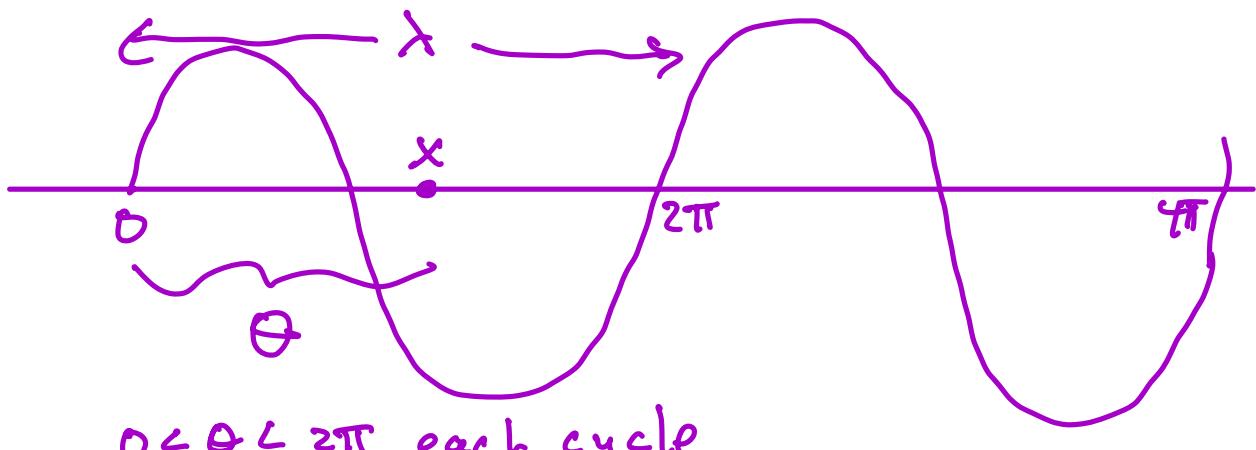
note: trig functions argument are angles!

if wave moves dist λ in 1 period then

x goes through 2π in 1λ

4π in 2λ
:

so angle is $x \cdot \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$



for sinusoidal wave (sin or cos):

$$y(x', t) = A \cos\left(x' \cdot \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}\right)$$

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

write $k \equiv \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$ "wave number"

$$\text{also } \frac{2\pi v}{\lambda} = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \cdot \lambda f = 2\pi f = \omega$$

$$\text{so can write } y(x, t) = A \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

wave moving in +x dir
 $= A \cos(kx + \omega t)$

wave moving in -x dir

$$\text{note: } v = \lambda f = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi} \cdot 2\pi f = \frac{\omega}{k}$$

$$v = \frac{\omega}{k}$$

if you use \cos , then $y = A$ when $x=0, t=0$
this your initial condition!

if instead your initial condition was
 $y=0$ at $x=0, t=0$

then $y(x,t) = A \sin(kx - \omega t)$
"phase"

note: you can be general and add a
"phase constant" ϕ

$$y(x,t) = A \sin(kx - \omega t + \phi)$$

ϕ is a function only } initial conditions
 $x=0, t=0, y(0,0) = A \sin \phi$

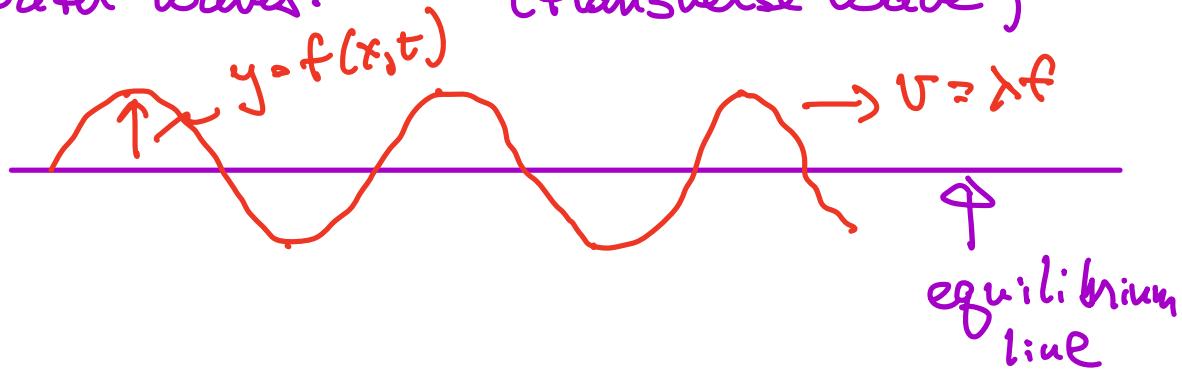
if $\phi=0, y(0,0)=0$

if $\phi = \pi/2$, $y(0,0) = A$

and somewhere in between

Velocity & accel of medium

water waves: (transverse wave)



wave disturbance propagates with
velocity $v = \lambda f$

but medium only moves up & down dist y

for medium $y = A \sin(kx - wt + \phi)$

$$\text{vel of medium } v_y = \frac{dy}{dt} = -A\omega \cos(kx - wt + \phi)$$

$$= -V_{\max} \cos(kx - wt + \phi)$$

$$V_{\max} = A\omega$$

velocity amplitude

$$\text{accel } a_y = \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial t} = -A\omega^2 \sin(kx - \omega t + \phi)$$

$$= A_{\text{max}} \sin(kx - \omega t + \phi)$$

$$A_{\text{max}} = A\omega^2 \text{ accel amp}$$

$$\text{note: } a_y = A\omega^2 \sin(kx - \omega t + \phi) = -\omega^2 y$$

$$\text{so } \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = -\omega^2 y$$

$$\text{take } \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (-A \sin(kx - \omega t + \phi))$$

$$= -A k^2 \sin(kx - \omega t + \phi) = -k^2 y$$

$$\text{so } \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = -k^2 y \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} \text{eliminate } y$$

$$\text{and } \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = -\omega^2 y$$

$$\frac{1}{k^2} \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{\omega^2} \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} - \frac{1}{\omega^2} \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = 0 \quad \text{but } \omega = \omega/k$$

$$\text{so } \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} - \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

this is the linear wave equation
and is true for any 1-D linear
wave

"linear" means no terms like $\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} \cdot x$ etc

linear gives us "principle of superposition"

ex: $y_1 = f_1(x, t)$ } 2 waves
 $y_2 = f_2(x, t)$ } (like from dropping
2 stones in diff
positions on lake)

resulting wave $y_{\text{tot}} = y_1 + y_2$ linear!

Velocity of waves in medium

waves come from interplay between
inertial and restoring forces

inertial: ma so involve mass

restoring: depends on medium

water: gravity
 air: compressibility of air
 strings tension in string

these forces imparts energy into wave

$$(KE \propto v^2)$$

so guess $v^2 \propto$ restoring \checkmark disturbance
inertial propagates
 faster
 increase this and
 it's harder to disturb medium

$$\text{so we guess } v \propto \sqrt{\frac{\text{F restore}}{\text{inertial mass}}}$$

to get units right: $mv^2 = \text{units of energy}$

$$\text{so } v \propto \sqrt{\frac{\text{F restore} \cdot \text{dist}}{\text{mass}}} = \text{Force} \propto \text{dist}$$

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{\text{F restore}}{\text{mass/dist}}} \text{ for string}$$

μ = mass/dist mass per length of string

F_{ext} = tension of string

$$v = \sqrt{T/\mu} \text{ string}$$

ex: guitar string mass $\sim 0.3\text{g}$ high E
 $\sim 6.0\text{g}$ low E

they are around 25 in $\sim 60\text{cm} = 0.6\text{m}$

$$\text{so } \mu = \frac{0.3\text{g}}{0.6\text{m}} = 0.5\text{g/m high E}$$

$$= \frac{6.0\text{g}}{0.6\text{m}} = 10\text{g/m low E}$$

speed of wave $v \sim 450\text{m/s}$ for high E

$$\text{so } v = \sqrt{T/\mu}$$

$$\Rightarrow T = \mu v^2 = 0.5\text{g/m} \cdot (450\text{m/s})^2$$

$$= 0.5 \times 10^{-3} \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}} \times (450 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}})^2$$

$$= 101\text{N} \sim 22\text{lbs tension}$$

in fluids:

restoring force is "elastic" (ability to
compress, stretch)
usually we use "Bulk modulus"

$$B = \frac{\text{pressure needed}}{\text{volume change}} = \frac{\Delta P}{\Delta V/V}$$

inertia: mass/volume $\equiv \rho$

$$\text{units: } [B] = \frac{\text{Force}}{\text{area}} = \frac{\text{kg m/s}^2}{\text{m}^2} = \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m s}^2}$$

$$[\rho] = \frac{\text{mass}}{\text{volume}} = \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$$

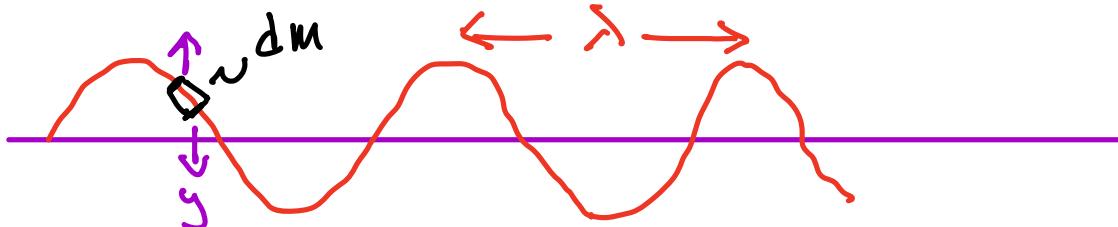
want to combine to get units $\text{m}^2 \equiv \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{s}^2}$

$$\text{take } \left[\frac{B}{\rho} \right] = \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m s}^2} \frac{1}{\text{kg/m}^3} = \frac{\text{m}^2}{\text{s}^2} \quad \checkmark$$

$$U_{\text{fluid}} = \sqrt{\frac{B}{\rho}} \quad \text{is correct}$$

Energy in waves

take waves on oscillating string



Consider KE for 1 wavelength of string

$$KE = \frac{1}{2} m_\lambda v^2 \quad m_\lambda \text{ is mass for } 1 \lambda$$

if string has mass/length μ $\mu = \frac{\Delta m}{\Delta L}$
then $m_\lambda = \mu \lambda$

v^2 is average velocity of string

remember $y = A \sin(\omega x - \omega t)$

$$v_y = -A \omega \cos(\omega x - \omega t)$$

v_{ave}^2 is average over 1 period and 1λ

Average of $f(x)$ over length L :

$$\bar{f} = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L f(x) dx$$

$$\text{so } v_{\text{ave}}^2 = A^2 \omega^2 \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \left[\frac{1}{\lambda} \int_0^\lambda \cos^2(kx - \omega t) dx \right] dt$$

$$\text{do } dx \text{ part } \int_0^\lambda \cos^2(kx - \omega t) dx$$

$$\text{change of variables: } z = kx - \omega t$$

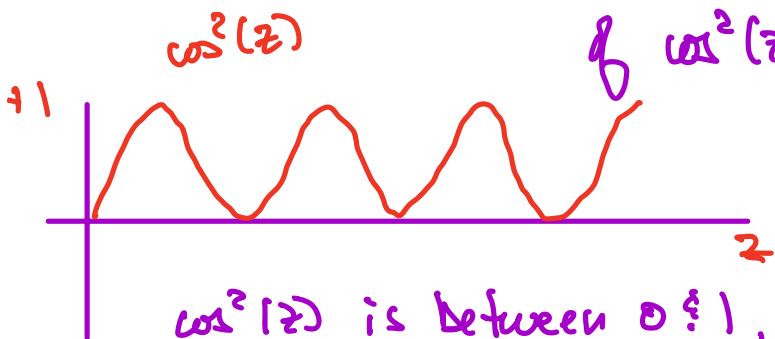
$$dz = kdx \Rightarrow dx = \frac{dz}{k}$$

this integral becomes

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \cos^2(z) \frac{dz}{k}$$

$$= \lambda \underbrace{\int_0^{2\pi} \cos^2(z) dz}_{2\pi}$$

this is average value
of $\cos^2(z)$ over 1 period



$\cos^2(z)$ is between 0 & 1, good guess that
average value is $\frac{1}{2}$

$$\text{so } \int_0^\lambda \cos^2(kx - \omega t) dt = \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

$$\text{then } v_{\text{ave}}^2 = A^2 \omega^2 \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \left[\frac{1}{\lambda} \frac{\lambda}{2} \right] dt = \frac{1}{2} A^2 \omega^2 \underbrace{\int_0^T dt}_1$$

$$\text{so } U_{\text{av}} = \frac{1}{2} A^2 \omega^2$$

$$KE_{\lambda} = \frac{1}{2} M \lambda \left(\frac{1}{2} A^2 \omega^2 \right) = \frac{1}{4} A^2 \omega^2 M \lambda$$

Next: consider PE of stretching string

PE is the work done in stretching string by amount y

\Rightarrow using spring model where force $F_s = -k_s y$
 $k_s = \text{spring constant}$ 

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this "spring" will oscillate w/freq $\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k_s}{M}}$
so write $k_s = \omega^2 M$
 $= \omega^2 \mu \lambda$

for spring, $PE = \frac{1}{2} k_s y^2$

PE_{λ} is average over $1\lambda, 1T$ just like above

$$PE_{\lambda} = \frac{1}{2} k_s \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \int_0^{\lambda} y^2 dx dt$$

$$y = A \sin(kx - \omega t)$$

$$\text{and } \frac{1}{\lambda} \int_0^\lambda y^2 dx = \frac{1}{2} \text{ as above}$$

$$\text{so } PE_x = \frac{1}{2} \mu \lambda A^2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{4} A^2 \mu \lambda$$

same as KE_x

$$\text{total energy: } E_\lambda = PE_\lambda + KE_\lambda = \frac{1}{2} A^2 \mu \lambda$$

Power

$$\text{power} = \frac{\Delta E}{\Delta t}$$

power averaged over 1 period T
is average energy per time T

$$P_{av} = \frac{E_\lambda}{T} = \frac{1}{2} A^2 \mu \omega^2 \frac{\lambda}{T}$$

$$\frac{\lambda}{T} = \lambda f = v \leftarrow v \text{ along dir of wave propagation}$$

$$\text{so } P_{av} = \frac{1}{2} A^2 \mu \omega^2 v$$

$$P_{av} \propto A^2 \propto \omega^2 \text{ and } v$$

P_{av} is power of wave as it propagates along x -dir, so P_{av} over 1λ is P_{av} of wave

math concept: P_{av} wave $\propto A^2$ amplitude²

\Rightarrow true in general for all waves

Wave Intensity

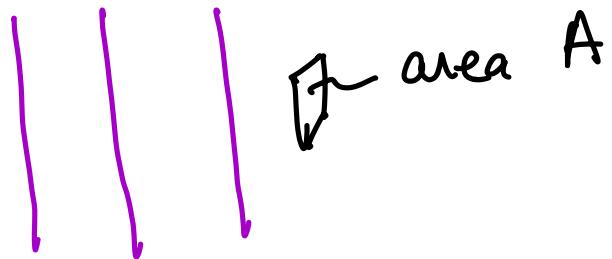
for 3-D wave (sound, radio, etc)

intensity is $\frac{P_{av}}{\text{area}}$



~ spherical waves

far from source wave looks like plane wave



Intensity goes down as wave spreads out
but P_{av} over wavefront is constant

⇒ so to calculate power flowing thru area
A, use intensity

$$P_A = I \cdot A$$

$I \Rightarrow$ Power spread out over area of wave

Power \Rightarrow watts = energy
second



$$\text{area sphere} = 4\pi r^2$$

Intensity is power smeared out over surface

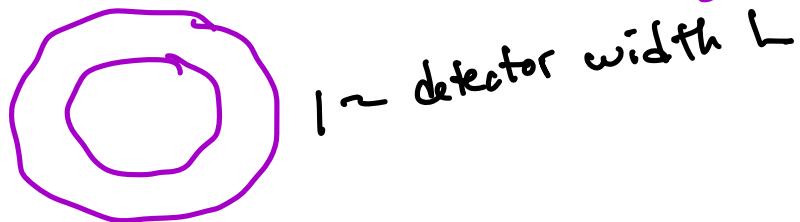
$$\text{so } I = \frac{P_{av}}{4\pi r^2}$$

$$\text{and power on area } A : P_A = \frac{P_{av}}{4\pi r^2} \cdot A$$

for 2-D wave: wave ripple in Pond

$$I = \frac{P_{av}}{2\pi r} \quad \text{power per length}$$

\angle circumference of circle



P_L power through L

$$P_L = I \cdot L = \frac{P_{av}}{2\pi r} \cdot L$$

ex: Sun's energy is in electromagnetic waves
(covered more later this semester)

- intensity radiated decreases as you get further from sun
- at earth, $I \approx 1400 \frac{W}{m^2}$

$$R_{\text{Earth-Sun}} = 93 \times 10^6 \frac{\text{mi}}{\text{mi}} \times 5280 \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{mi}} \times \frac{1\text{m}}{3.281 \text{ft}}$$
$$= 1.50 \times 10^6 \text{ km}$$

total Power: $I = \frac{P_{av}}{\text{area}} \Rightarrow P_{av} = I \cdot \text{area}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{sun power output} \rightarrow P_{\text{sun, air}} &= 1400 \frac{W}{m^2} \times 4\pi R_{\text{Earth-sun}}^2 \\
 &= 1400 \frac{W}{m^2} \times 4\pi \times (150 \times 10^9 m)^2 \\
 &= 1400 \times 4\pi \times 150^2 \times 10^{18} W \\
 &= 395 \times 10^6 W \times 10^9 \times 10^9 \\
 &= 395 \times 10^6 GW \quad 1GW = \text{decent size nuclear reactr}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$I_{\text{sun}} = 1400 \frac{W}{m^2} \text{ at top of atmosphere}$$

⇒ atmosphere absorbs $\rightarrow \sim 1000 \frac{W}{m^2}$ at surface

For 1 day, the energy absorbed would be

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_{\text{day}} &= 1 \frac{kW}{m^2} \times 12 \frac{hr}{day} = 12 \frac{kW}{m^2} \times \frac{hrs}{day} \quad (12 \text{ hrs daylight}) \\
 &= 12 \frac{kWh}{m^2} / \text{day}
 \end{aligned}$$

⇒ light changes over the day; reduces this total

Assume: Summer \Rightarrow average is $\sim \frac{1}{2}$ peak

Winter \Rightarrow " " $\sim \frac{1}{4}$ peak

So at our latitude, assume \bar{I}

$$\text{Summer: } \bar{I}_s = \frac{1}{2} \cdot I_{\text{day}} = 6 \frac{kWh}{m^2} / \text{day}$$

$$\text{Winter: } \bar{I}_w = \frac{1}{4} I_{\text{day}} = 3 \frac{kWh}{m^2} / \text{day}$$

Use solar panels to collect energy from sun

1. assume area is $\sim 1.6 \text{ m}^2$

2. " panels only convert $\sim 20\%$ of light to electric power (typical are 15-25%)
so efficiency $\epsilon = 20\%$

so power $\bar{P}_{in} = I \cdot A$ into panel

Power converted to electricity

$$\bar{P}_{out} = \bar{P}_{in} \cdot \epsilon$$

Summer:

$$\bar{P}_s = 6 \frac{\text{kWh}}{\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{day}} \times 1.6 \text{ m}^2 \times 20\% \sim 2 \frac{\text{kWh}}{\text{day}} \text{ per panel}$$

winter!

$$\bar{P}_w = \frac{1}{2} \bar{P}_s = 1 \frac{\text{kWh}}{\text{day}} \text{ per panel}$$

let's design for winter

Average home uses $\sim 1 \text{ kW}$ averaged over day

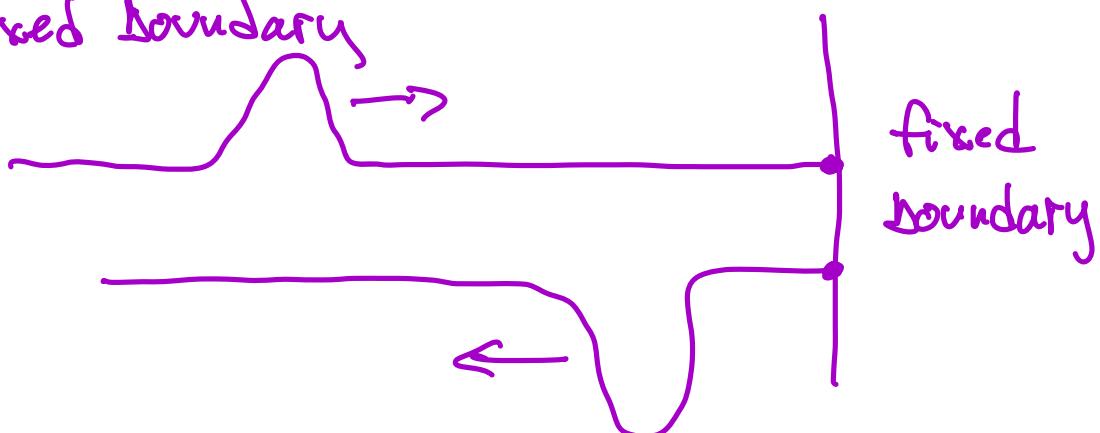
$$\bar{P} = 1 \text{ kW} \times \frac{24 \text{ hr}}{\text{day}} = 24 \text{ kWh/day}$$

so we need 24 panels (at least)

Actually we also need batteries to charge during the day!

Reflection & Transmission at boundary

Fixed boundary



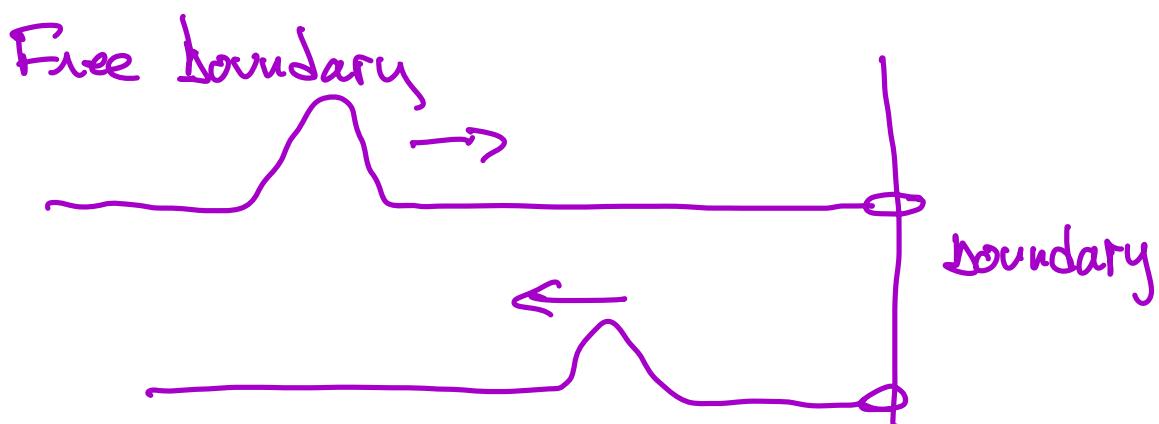
inverted at boundary due to
Newton's 3rd law (equal & opposite forces)

Boundary exerts downward force to cancel wave's upwards force

\Rightarrow can think of this situation as a wave in a medium that increased in "density"

Rule: if medium "density" increases:

- reflected pulse is inverted
- has a phase change of 180° (π)



no reaction force at boundary

Rule: if medium "density" decreases:

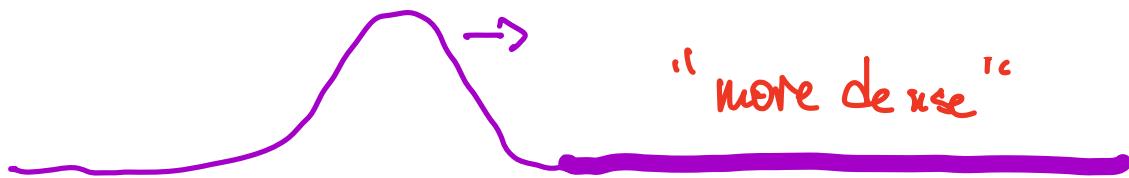
- reflected pulse is NOT inverted
- has no phase change of

Can have both reflection AND transmission

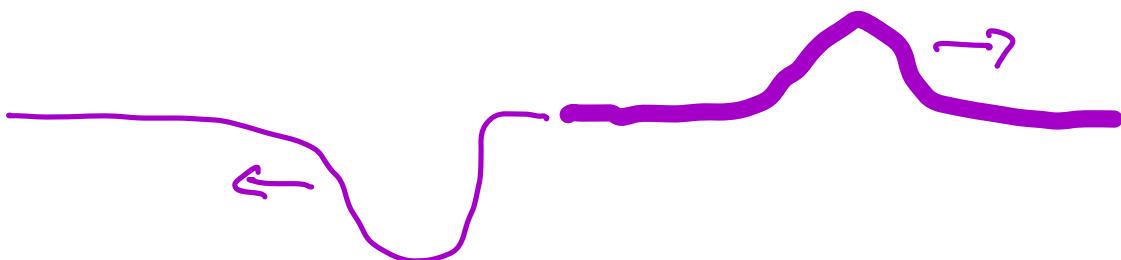
ex: light on glass 96% transmitted
4% reflected

ex: wave on string that gets thicker
⇒ transmitted pulse has no change
⇒ reflected pulse → apply above rules

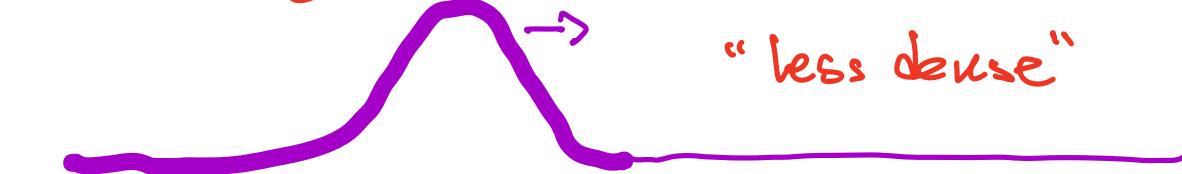
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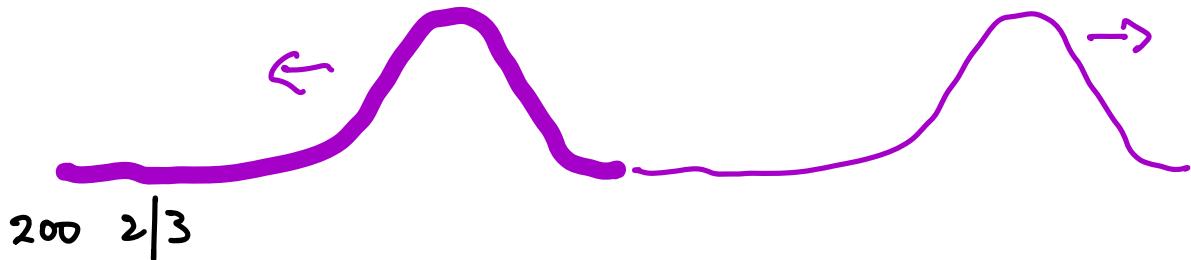
“more dense”



“more dense”



“less dense”



Velocity of wave depends on medium

"dense" = slower

so at boundary where density increases:

- transmitted pulse

Amplitude: will decrease

Phase: no change

Frequency: no change (doesn't depend on medium!)

Velocity: decreases

Wavelength: $v = \lambda f$

so $v \downarrow$ then $\lambda \downarrow$

- reflected pulse

Amplitude: decreases due to energy lost to transmitted pulse

Phase: 0° if density in transmitted

region is less
180° it density in transmitted
region is greater

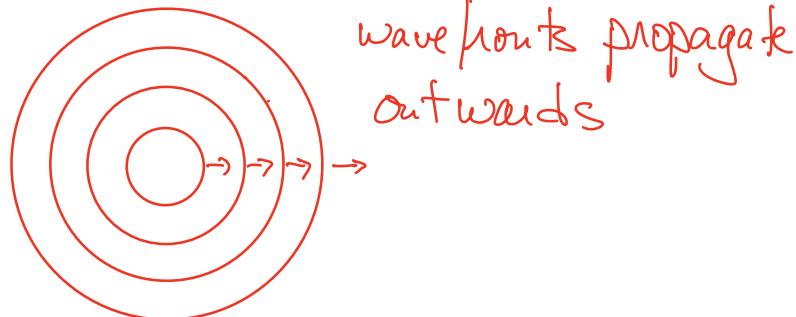
freq: always the same

Velocity: no change (same region?)

Wavelength: $\lambda = \frac{v}{f}$ so no change

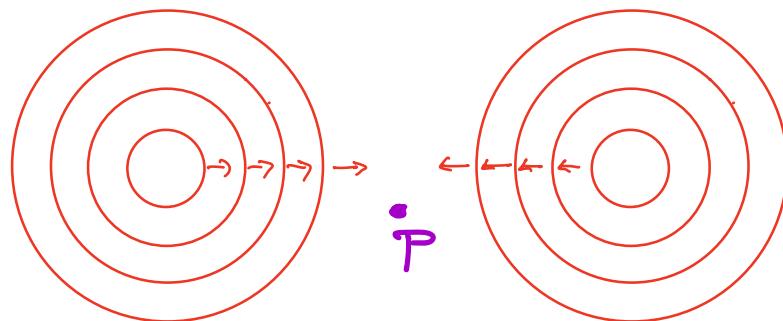
Principle of superposition

Throw stone in a pond \rightarrow makes a wave



wavefronts propagate
outwards

Throw another stone in at different location



At some point "P", both waves will cause vertical displacement

Principle of superposition: waves add linearly

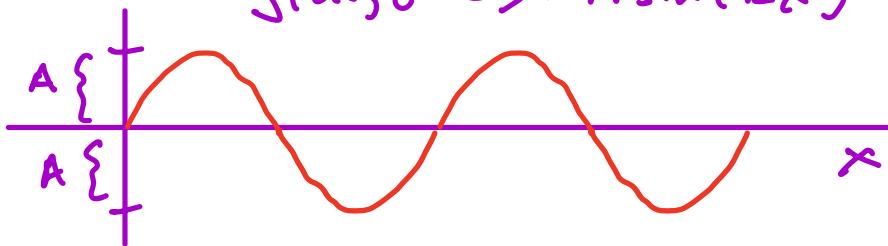
$$\text{so } y(P) = y_1(P) + y_2(P)$$

ex: traveling wave in 1-D

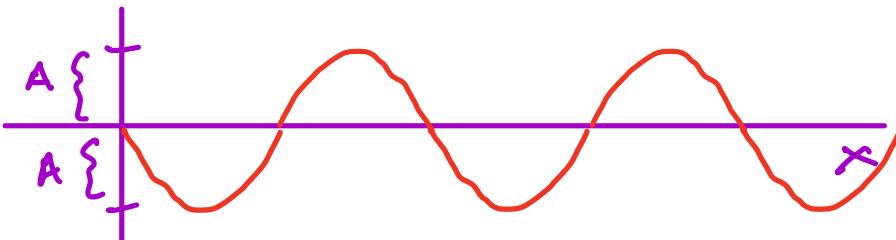
wave function: $y_i = A \sin(kx - \omega t)$

here is what the wave looks like at $t=0$

$$y_1(x, t=0) = A \sin(kx)$$



take a second wave w[same A, λ, T
but with a phase offset



$$y_2(x, t=0) = A \sin(kx - wt + \phi)$$

$$\text{at } t=0, y_2(x=0, t=0) = A \sin \phi = 0$$

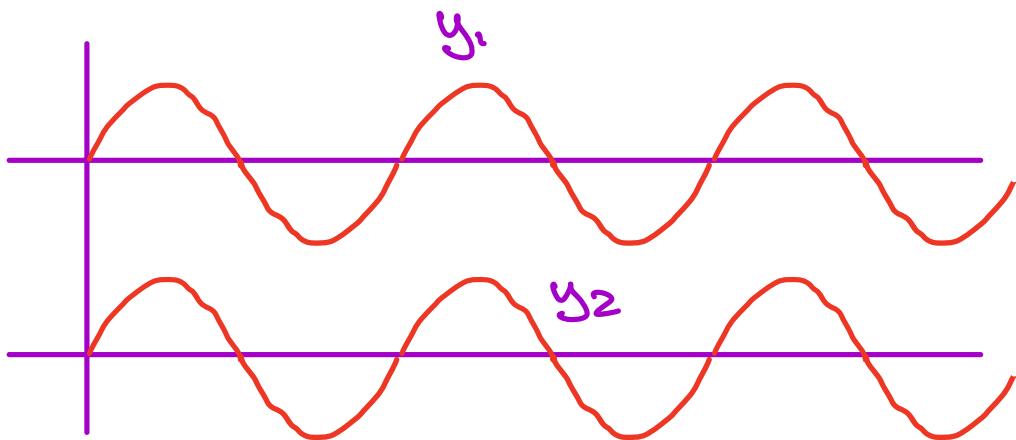
$$\text{so } A \sin \phi = 0 \Rightarrow \phi = \pi$$

now add $y_1 + y_2$

\Rightarrow can ignore "wt" part \rightarrow same for both

(think of it as adding the same thing
to each phase)

set $\phi=0$ (no difference in phase)



principle of superposition: add linearly

$$y_{\text{tot}} = y_1 + y_2 = A \sin(\omega x - \omega t) + A \sin(\omega x - \omega t + \phi)$$

resulting wave $y_{\text{tot}} = 2A \sin(\omega x - \omega t + \frac{\phi}{2})$

same f, λ but $2A$ amplitude

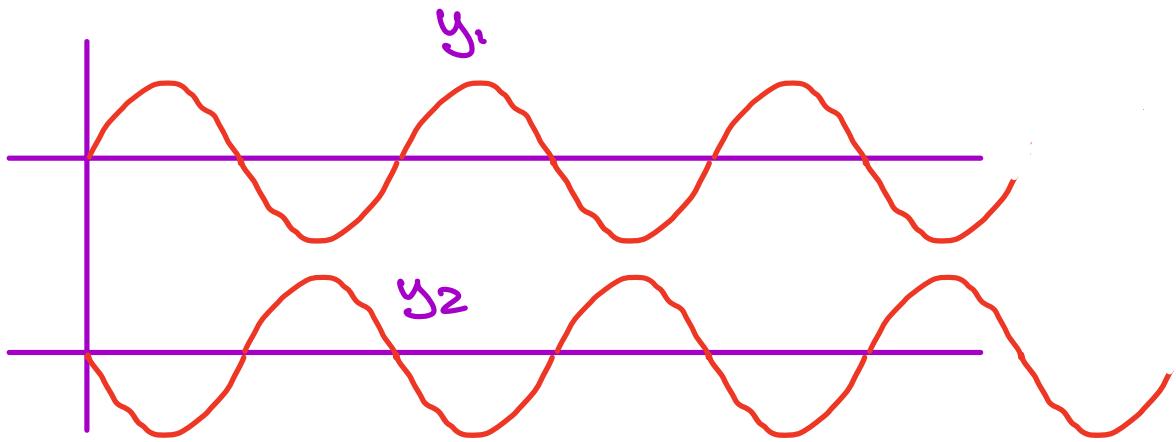
but since power $\sim (\text{amp})^2$, $P_{\text{tot}} = 4P_{\text{1,2}}$

\Rightarrow this is called "constructive interference"

note: if $\phi=0, \pi, 2\pi, \text{ same thing}$

constructive: relative phase $\phi = 2n\pi, n=0, 1, 2, \dots$

next set $\phi = \pi$



y_{tot} will be ϕ everywhere!

400 $2\sqrt{3}$

this is "destructive interference"

destructive: $\phi = \pi, 3\pi, 5\pi, \dots$

$= n\pi, n=1, 3, 5, \dots$ odd int

or $= (2n+1)\pi, n=0, 1, 2, \dots$ any int

see https://www.physics.umd.edu/hep/drew/shiva_wave.html#superposition
for more on adding waves together

Superposition w/ only phase shifts

let $y_1 = A \sin(kx - wt + \phi)$ } same A, T, λ
 $y_2 = A \sin(kx - wt)$

$$y_{\text{tot}} = A \sin(kx - wt + \phi) + A \sin(kx - wt)$$

write $A \sin(kx - wt + \phi) = A \sin(kx - wt + \frac{1}{2}\phi + \frac{1}{2}\phi)$
 $A \sin(kx - wt) = A \sin(kx - wt + \frac{1}{2}\phi - \frac{1}{2}\phi)$

let $a = kx - wt + \frac{1}{2}\phi$

then $y_1 = A \sin(a + \frac{1}{2}\phi)$

$$y_2 = A \sin(a - \frac{1}{2}\phi)$$

remember: $\sin(x \pm y) = \sin x \cos y \pm \cos x \sin y$

$$y_1 + y_2 = A \sin(a + \frac{1}{2}\phi) + A \sin(a - \frac{1}{2}\phi)$$
$$= A [\sin(a) \cos(\frac{1}{2}\phi) + \cos(a) \sin(\frac{1}{2}\phi)]$$

$$+ A [\sin(a) \cos(\frac{1}{2}\phi) - \cos(a) \sin(\frac{1}{2}\phi)]$$
$$= 2 A \sin(a) \cos(\frac{1}{2}\phi)$$

so $y_{\text{tot}} = 2 A \cos(\frac{1}{2}\phi) \sin(kx - wt + \frac{1}{2}\phi)$

new amplitude resulting wave is
phase shifted

y_{tot} has same time dependence by $\frac{1}{2}\phi$

- amplitude $2A \cos(\frac{1}{2}\phi)$
- shifted $\frac{1}{2}\phi$ ("average" phase shift)

$$\text{Ex: } \phi = \pi$$

y_{tot} amplitude $2A \cos \frac{1}{2}\pi = 0$ destructive!

$$\phi = 2\pi$$

$$2A \cos \frac{1}{2}2\pi = -2A$$

shifted by π

$$y_{\text{tot}} = 2A \cos(\pi) \sin(kx - \omega t + \pi)$$

$$\text{write } \sin(kx - \omega t + \pi) = \sin(kx - \omega t) \cos \pi$$

$$+ \cos(kx - \omega t) \sin \pi$$

$$= 2A \sin(kx - \omega t) \quad \checkmark$$

Standing Waves

Take 2 traveling waves:

- same amplitude
- same λ wave length \Rightarrow freq
- opposite directions

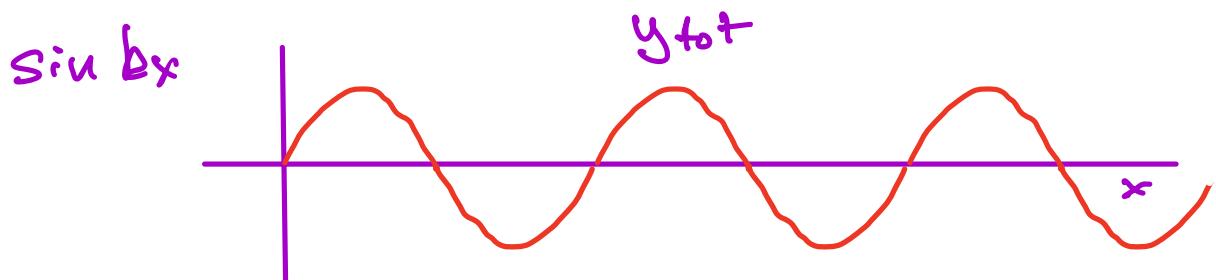
$$y_1 = A \sin(kx - \omega t)$$

$$y_2 = A \sin(kx + \omega t)$$

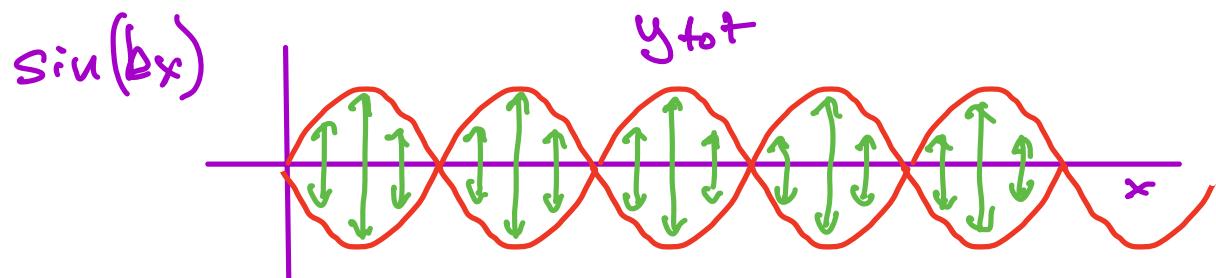
$$y_{\text{tot}} = y_1 + y_2 = A \sin(bx - wt) + A \sin(bx + wt)$$

$$\text{use } \sin(a \pm b) = \sin a \cos b \pm \cos a \sin b$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } y_{\text{tot}} &= A [\sin bx \cos wt - \cos bx \sin wt \\ &\quad + \sin bx \cos wt + \cos bx \sin wt] \\ &= 2A \sin bx \cos wt \\ &= (2A \cos wt) \cdot \sin bx \\ &\quad \underbrace{\hspace{1cm}}_{\text{amplitude}} \quad \underbrace{\hspace{1cm}}_{\text{periodic in space}} \end{aligned}$$



but "amplitude" of each point is oscillating in time

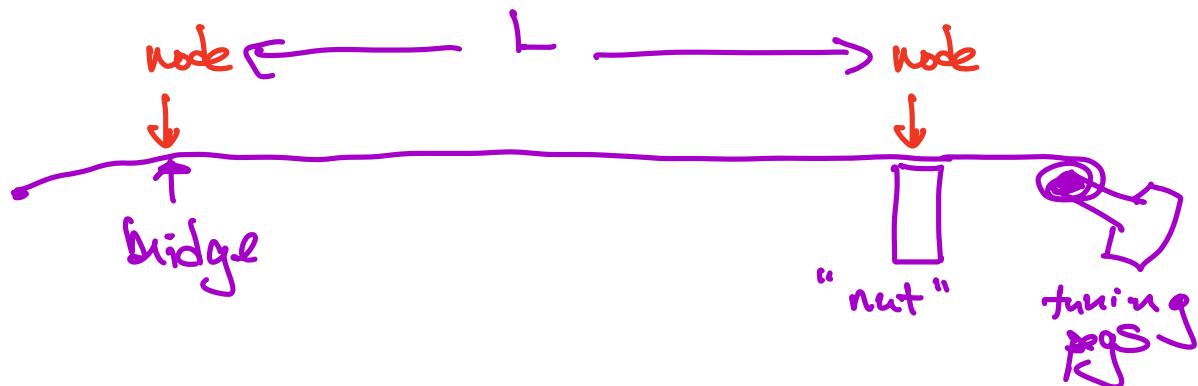


this is called "standing wave"

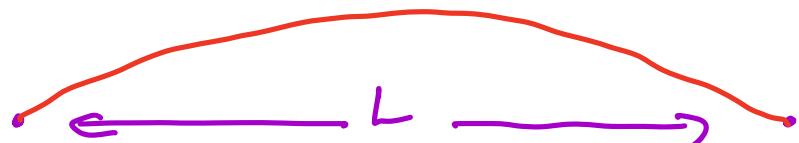
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and set velocities to be equal & opposite
traveling waves: can come from waves
reflecting and interfering

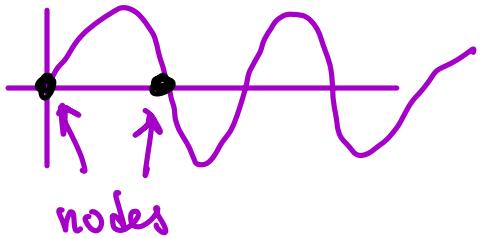
e.g. waves on musical instrument
but only for frequencies that produce
reflected waves and both have nodes
at boundaries



lowest frequency that will fit will have
nodes at both ends = $wave\ length = 2L$



for sin wave:



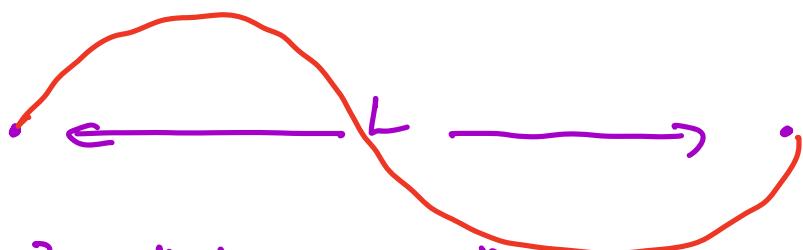
$$\text{so } L = \frac{1}{2}\lambda_1 \text{ or } \lambda_1 = 2L$$

λ_1 is called "fundamental"
 $f_1, \lambda_1 = v$ which is a property of string

$$v = \sqrt{T/\mu}$$

$$\text{so } f_1 = \frac{v}{\lambda_1} = \frac{v}{2L}$$

next:



$$L = \lambda_2 \Rightarrow \lambda_2 = L = \frac{2}{3}L \text{ "2nd harmonic"}$$

$$f_2 = \frac{v}{\lambda_2} = \frac{v}{L} = \frac{2v}{2L} = 2f_1$$

next



$$L = \frac{3}{2}\lambda_3 \Rightarrow \lambda_3 = \frac{2}{3}L \text{ 3rd harmonic}$$

$$f_3 = \frac{v}{\frac{2}{3}L} = \frac{3v}{2L} = 3f_1$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_n &= n f_1 \\ \lambda_n &= \frac{2L}{n} \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} n=1,2,\dots$$

these are called "normal modes" of the oscillations of the string

and f_n are the "normal frequencies"

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