



PHYSICS

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WAVES

Example

1. A wave transmits energy. Can it transmit momentum?

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2. What is the relation between path difference and phase difference?

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3. Which property of the medium enables the transverse waves to pass through it?

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4. What is the relation between frequency, wavelength and wave velocity ?

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5. What are pressure waves?

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6. Is it possible to have longitudinal waves on: a string and on a transverse wave in a steel rod?

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7. Which waves do not require medium for propagation?

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8. Can mechanical waves travel through vacuum?

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9. A wave transmits momentum. Can it transfer angular momentum?

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10. What are the two main properties a material must possess for the propagation of waves through it.

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11. What is the difference between wave velocity and particle velocity?

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12. When a stone is thrown on the surface of water, a wave travel out. From where does the energy came?

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13. Sound can be heard over a long distance on a rainy day. Why?

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14. What is the common property with all types of mechanical waves?

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15. Sound wave from a point source are propagating in all directions. What will be ratio of amplitudes at distances of 9 m and 25 m from the source?



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16. The ratio of amplitude of two waves is 2:3. What is the ratio of intensities of these waves?



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17. In which medium - solid , liquid or gas, do the sound waves travel fastest?



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18. Represent a harmonic wave in terms of wevelength and time period.

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19. What is the distance between the two points which have a phase difference of 2π ?

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20. A flute has several holes in it. Why?

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21. What is the distance between a node and an adjoining antinode in a stationary wave?

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22. Is it possible to have interference between the waves produced by two violins? Why?



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23. Will sound be louder at node or antinode in a stationary wave?



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24. When are the tones called harmonics?



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25. Sound is produced by vibratory motion, explain why then a vibrating pendulum does not produce sound?



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26. What is the difference between a tone and a note?

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27. Why stationary wave is so called?

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28. What are electromagnetic waves?

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29. What is the physical change occurs when the source of sound is stationary but the observer moves?

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30. What physical change occurs when source of sound moves and observer is stationary?

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31. If you set your watch by the sound of a distant siren, will it go fast or slow?

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32. Can you notice Doppler effect, if both the observer(or listener) and the source of sound are moving with same velocity in the same direction.

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33. A person riding on a merry go round emits a sound wave of certain frequency. Will the person at the centre observe Doppler effect.



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34. What is the limitation of Doppler's effect?



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35. A string of mass 2.50 kg is under a tension of 200 N. The length of the stretched string is 20.0 m. If the transverse jerk is struck at one end of the string, how long does the disturbance take to reach the other end?



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36. A stone dropped from the top of a tower of height 300 m high splashes into the water of a pond near the base of the tower. When is the splash heard at the top given that the speed of sound in air is 340 m s^{-1} ? ($g = 9.8 \text{ m s}^{-2}$)



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37. A steel wire has a length of 12.0 m and a mass of 2.10 kg. What should be the tension in the wire so that speed of a transverse wave on the wire equals the speed of sound in dry air at $20^\circ\text{C} = 343\text{ms}^{-1}$.



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38. Use the formula $v = \sqrt{\frac{\gamma P}{\rho}}$ to explain why the speed of sound in air: is independent of pressure.



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39. Use the formula $v = \sqrt{\frac{\gamma P}{\rho}}$ to explain why the speed of sound in air: increases with temperature.



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40. Use the formula $v = \sqrt{\frac{\gamma P}{\rho}}$ to explain why the speed of sound in air: increases with humidity.

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41. You have learnt that a travelling wave in one dimension is represented by a function $y = f(x, t)$ where x and t must appear in the combination $x-vt$ or $x + vt$, i.e. $y = f(x \pm vt)$. Is the converse true? Examine if the following functions for y can possibly represent a travelling wave : $1/(x + vt)$

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44. A bat emits ultrasonic sound of frequency 1000 kHz in air. If the sound meets a water surface, what is the wavelength of the reflected sound the reflected sound.

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45. A bat emits ultrasonic sound of frequency 1000 kHz in air. If the sound meets a water surface, what is the wavelength of the transmitted sound? Speed of sound in air is 340 m s^{-1} and in water 1486 m s^{-1} .

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46. A hospital uses an ultrasonic scanner to locate tumours in a tissue. What is the wavelength of sound in the tissue in which the speed of sound is 1.7km s^{-1} ? The operating frequency of the scanner is 4.2 MHz.

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47. A transverse harmonic wave on a string is described by $y(x, t) = 3.0 \sin(36 t + 0.018 x + (\pi/4))$ where x and y are in cm and t in s. The positive direction of x is from left to right. Is this a travelling wave or a stationary wave? If it is travelling, what are the speed and direction of its propagation?

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51. For the wave described in the above question, plot the displacement (y) versus time (t) graphs for $x=0.2$ and 4 cm. What are the shapes of

these graph? In which aspects does the oscillatory motion in a travelling wave differ from one point to another: amplitude, frequency or phase?

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52. For the travelling harmonic wave $y(x, t) = 2.0 \cos 2\pi(10t - 0.0080x + 0.35)$ where x and y are in cm and t in s. Calculate the phase difference between oscillatory motion of two points separated by a distance of 4m.

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56. The transverse displacement of a string (clamped at its both ends) is given by $y(x,t) = 0.06 \sin ((2\pi)/(3)s) \cos (120 \pi t)$ Where x and y are in m and t in s. The length of the string 1.5 m and its mass is 3.0×10^{-2} kg. Does the function represent a travelling wave or a stationary wave ?



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57. The transverse displacement of a string (clamped at its both ends) is given by $y(x,t) = 0.06 \sin \left(\frac{2\pi}{3}x \right) \cos(120\pi t)$ Where x and y are in m and t in s. The length of the string 1.5 m and its mass is 3.0×10^{-2} kg. Interpret the wave as a superposition of two waves travelling in opposite directions. What is the wavelength, frequency, and speed of each wave ?



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60. What is the amplitude of a point 0.375 m away from one end?

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61. Given below are some functions of x and t to represent the displacement (transverse or longitudinal) of an elastic wave. State which of these represent (i) a travelling wave, (ii) a stationary wave or (iii) none at all: $y = 2\cos(3x)\sin(10t)$

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65. A wire stretched between two rigid supports vibrates in its fundamental mode with a frequency of 45 Hz. The mass of the wire is 3.5×10^{-2} kg and its linear mass density is $4.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ kg m}^{-1}$. What is the speed of a transverse wave on the string



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67. A metre-long tube open at one end, with a movable piston at the other end, shows resonance with a fixed frequency source (a tuning fork

of frequency 340 Hz) when the tube length is 25.5 cm or 79.3 cm. Estimate the speed of sound in air at the temperature of the experiment. The edge effects may be neglected.

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68. A steel rod 100 cm long is clamped at its middle. The fundamental frequency of longitudinal vibrations of the rod are given to be 2.53 kHz. What is the speed of sound in steel?

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69. A pipe 20 cm long is closed at one end. Which harmonic mode of the pipe is resonantly excited by a 430 Hz source ? Will the same source be in resonance with the pipe if both ends are open? (speed of sound in air is 1340ms^{-1})

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70. Two sitarstrings A and B playing the note 'Ga' are slightly out of tune and produce beats of frequency 6 Hz. The tension in the string A is slightly reduced and the beat frequency is found to reduce to 3 Hz. If the original frequency of A is 324 Hz, what is the frequency of B?

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71. Explain why (or how): In a sound wave, a displacement node is a pressure antinode and vice versa,

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72. Explain why (or how): Bats can ascertain distances, directions, nature, and sizes of the obstacles without any "eyes",

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73. Explain why (or how): A violin note and sitar note may have the same frequency, yet we can distinguish between the two notes,

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74. Explain why (or how): Solids can support both longitudinal and transverse waves, but only longitudinal waves can propagate in gases.

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75. Explain why (or how)

the shape of a pulse gets distorted during propagation in a dispersive medium.

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76. A train, standing at the outersignal of a railway station blows a whistle of frequency 400 Hz in still air. What is the frequency and speed of sound in each case ? (a) approaches the platform with a speed of 10ms^{-1} , (b) recedes from the platform with a speed of 10ms^{-1} ? (ii) The speed of sound in still air can be taken as 340ms^{-1}



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79. A train, standing in a station-yard, blows a whistle of frequency 400 Hz in still air. The wind starts blowing in the direction from the yard to the station with a speed of 10ms^{-1} . What are the frequency, wavelength, and speed of sound for an observer standing on the station's platform? Is the situation exactly identical to the case when the air is still and the observer runs towards the yard at a speed of 10ms^{-1} ? The speed of sound in still air can be taken as 340ms^{-1} .

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80. A travelling harmonic wave on a string is described by ,
$$y = 7.5 \sin(0.0050x + 12t + \pi/4)$$

What are the displacement and velocity of oscillation of a point at $x=1$ cm and $t=1$ s ? Is this velocity equal to the velocity of wave propagation?

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81. A travelling harmonic wave on a string is described by ,
 $y = 7.5 \sin(0.0050x + 12t + \pi/4)$

Locate the points of the string which have the same transverse displacements and velocity as the $x=1$ cm points at $t=2s,5s,11s$.

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82. A narrow sound pulse (for example, a short pipe by a whistle) is sent across a medium

Does the pulse have a definite (i) frequency, (ii) wavelength, (iii) speed of propagation?

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83. A narrow sound pulse (for example, a short pipe by a whistle) is sent across a medium

If the pulse rate is 1 after every 20 s, (i.e. The whistle is blown for a split second after every 20 s), is the frequency of the note produced by the whistle equal to $\frac{1}{20} = 0.05 \text{ Hz}$?



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84. One end of a long string of linear mass density $8.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kg m}^{-1}$ is connected to an electrically driven tuning fork of frequency 256 Hz. The other end passes over a pulley and is tied to a pan containing a mass of 90 kg. The pulley end absorbs all the incoming energy so that reflected waves at this end have negligible amplitude. At $t = 0$, the left end (fork end) of the string $x = 0$ has zero transverse displacement ($y = 0$) and is moving along positive y -direction. The amplitude of the wave is 5.0 cm. Write down the transverse displacement y as a function of x and t that describes the wave on the string



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85. A SONAR system fixed in a submarine operates at a frequency 40.0 kHz. An enemy submarine moves towards the SONAR with a speed of 360kmh^{-1} . What is the frequency of sound reflected by the submarine? Take the speed of sound in water to be 1450ms^{-1} .



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86. Earthquakes generate sound waves inside the earth. Unlike a gas, the earth can experience both transverse (S) and longitudinal (P) sound waves. Typically the speed of S wave is about 4.0km s^{-1} and that of P wave is 8.0km s^{-1} . A seismograph records P and S waves from an earthquake. The first P wave arrives 4 min before the first S wave. Assuming the waves travel in straight line, at what distance does the earthquake occur?



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87. A bat is flitting about in a cave, navigating via ultrasonic beeps. Assume that the sound emission frequency of the bat is 40 kHz. During one fast swoop directly toward a flat wall surface, the bat is moving at 0.03 times the speed of sound in air. What frequency does the bat hear reflected off the wall ?



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88. What waves produced by a motor boat sailing in water are:

- A. neither longitudinal nor transverse
- B. both longitudinal and transverse
- C. only longitudinal
- D. only transverse.

Answer:



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89. Sound waves of wavelength λ travelling in a medium with a speed of v m/s enter into another medium where its speed is $2v$ m/s. Wavelength of sound waves in the second medium is:

A. λ

B. $\frac{\lambda}{2}$

C. 2λ

D. 4λ

Answer:



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90. Speed of sound wave in air

A. is independent of temperature

B. increases with pressure

C. increases with increase in humidity

D. decreases with increase in humidity.

Answer:



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91. Change in temperature of the medium changes

- A. frequency of sound waves
- B. amplitude of sound waves
- C. wavelength of sound waves
- D. loudness of sound waves.

Answer:



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92. With propagation of longitudinal waves through a medium, the quantity transmitted is:

- A. matter
- B. energy
- C. energy and matter
- D. energy, matter and momentum.

Answer:



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93. Which of the following statements are true for wave motion?

- A. Mechanical transverse waves can propagate through all mediums.
- B. Longitudinal waves can propagate through solids only
- C. Mechanical transverse waves can propagate through solids only
- D. Longitudinal waves can propagate through vacuum.

Answer:



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94. A sound wave is passing through air column in the form of compression and rarefaction. In consecutive compressions and rarefaction. In consecutive compressions and rarefactions.

- A. density remains constant
- B. Boyle's law is obeyed
- C. bulk modulus of air oscillates
- D. there is no transfer of heat.

Answer:



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95. Equation of a plane progressive wave is given by $y = 0.6 \sin 2\pi \left(t - \frac{x}{2} \right)$. On reflection from a denser medium its amplitude becomes $\frac{2}{3}$ of the amplitude of the incident wave. The equation of the reflected wave is:

A. $y = 0.6 \sin 2\pi \left(t + \frac{x}{2} \right)$

B. $y = -0.4 \sin 2\pi \left(t + \frac{x}{2} \right)$

C. $y = 0.4 \sin 2\pi \left(t + \frac{x}{2} \right)$

D. $y = -0.4 \sin 2\pi \left(t - \frac{x}{2} \right)$

Answer:



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96. A string of mass 2.50 kg is under a tension of 200 N. The length of the stretched string is 20.0 m. If the transverse jerk is struck at one end of the string, how long does the disturbance take to reach the other end?

A. one second

B. 0.5 second

C. 2 second

D. data given is insufficient.

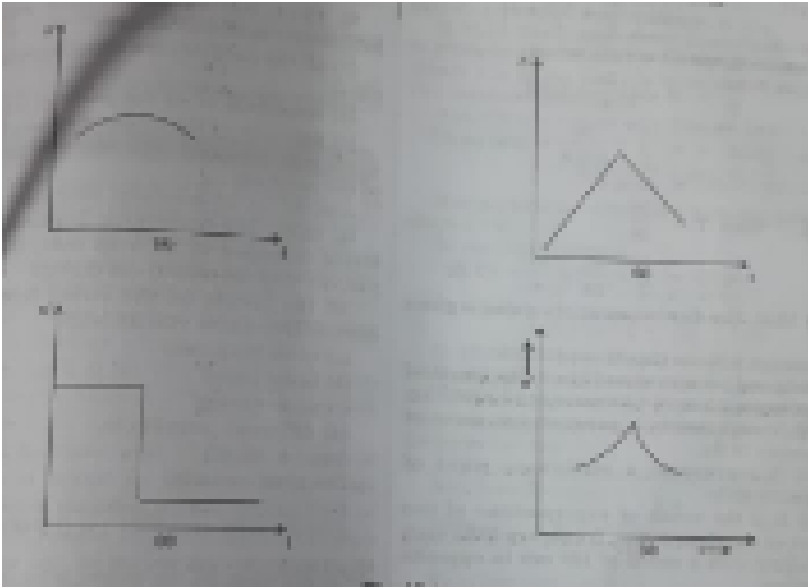
Answer:



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97. A train whistling at constant frequency is moving towards a station at a constant speed V . The train goes past a stationary observer on the station. The frequency n' of the sound as heard by the observer is plotted

as a function of time t (shown in the figure). Identify the expected curve.



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98. A transverse harmonic wave on a string is described by $y(x, t) = 3.0 \sin(36t + 0.018x + (\pi/4))$ where x and y are in cm and t in s. The positive direction of x is from left to right. Is this a travelling wave or a stationary wave? If it is travelling, what are the speed and direction of its propagation?

A. The wave is travelling from right to left

B. The speed of the wave is 20m/s

C. Frequency of the wave is 5.7 Hz.

D. The least distance between two successive crests in the wave is 2.5 cm.

Answer:

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99. The transverse displacement of a string (clamped at its both ends) is

given by $y(x,t) = 0.06 \sin \left(\left(2\frac{\pi}{3} \right) x \right) \cos(120\pi t)$

where x and y are in m and t is in s . The length of the string is $1.5m$ and

linear mass density is $3.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ kg/m}$. Determine the tension in the string

A. It represents a progressive wave of frequency 60 Hz.

B. It represents a stationary wave of frequency 60 Hz.

C. It is the result of superposition of two waves of wavelength

$3m$, frequency 60Hz each travelling with a speed of 180 m/s in

opposite direction.

D. Amplitude of this wave is constant.

Answer:



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100. Speed of sound waves in a fluid depends upon

A. directly on density of the medium

B. square of bulk modulus of the medium

C. inversely on the square root of density

D. directly on the square root of bulk modulus of the medium.

Answer:



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101. During propagation of a plane progressive mechanical wave

- A. all the particles are vibrating in the same phase
- B. amplitude of the particles is equal
- C. particles of the medium excutes S.H.M.
- D. wave velocity depends upon the nature of the medium.

Answer:



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102. The transverse displacement of a string (clamped at its both ends) is

given by $y(x, t) = 0.06 \sin(2\pi x / 3) \cos(120\pi t)$.

All the points on the string between two consecutive nodes vibrate with

- A. same frequency
- B. same phase
- C. same energy

D. different amplitude.

Answer:

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103. A train, standing in a station-yard, blows a whistle of frequency 400 Hz in still air. The wind starts blowing in the direction from the yard to the station with a speed of 10ms^{-1} . What are the frequency, wavelength, and speed of sound for an observer standing on the station's platform? Is the situation exactly identical to the case when the air is still and the observer runs towards the yard at a speed of 10ms^{-1} ? The speed of sound in still air can be taken as 340ms^{-1} .

A. the frequency of sound as heard by an observer standing on the platform is 400 Hz

B. the speed of sound for the observer standing on the platform is 350m/s

C. the frequency of sound as heard by the observer standing on the platform will increase

D. the frequency of sound as heard by the observer standing on the platform will decrease.

Answer:

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104. Which of the following statements are true for a stationary wave?

A. Every particle has a fixed amplitude which is different from the amplitude of its nearest particle.

B. All the particles cross their mean position at the same time

C. All the particles are oscillating with same amplitude

D. There is no net transfer of energy across any plane.

Answer:



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105. A sonometer wire is vibrating in resonance with a tuning fork. Keeping the tension applied same, the length of the wire is doubled. Under what conditions would the tuning fork still be in resonance with the wire?



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106. An organ pipe of length L open at both ends is found to vibrate in its first harmonic when sounded with a tuning fork of 480 Hz. What should be the length of a pipe closed at one end, so that it also vibrates in its first harmonic with the same tuning fork?



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107. A tuning fork A, marked 512 Hz, produces 5 beats per second, when sounded with another unmarked tuning fork B. If B is loaded with wax the

number of beats is again 5 per second. What is the frequency of the tuning fork B when not loaded?

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108. The displacement of an elastic wave is given by the function $y = 3 \sin \omega t + 4 \cos \omega t$ where y is in cm and t is in second. Calculate the resultant amplitude.

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109. A sitar wire is replaced by another wire of same length and material but of three times the earlier radius. If the tension in the wire remains the same, by what factor will the frequency change?

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110. At what temperature (in $^{\circ}C$) will the speed of sound in air be 3 times its value at $0^{\circ}C$?

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111. When two waves of almost equal frequencies n_1 and n_2 reach at a point simultaneously, what is the time interval between successive maxima?

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112. A steel wire has a length of 12 m and a mass of 2.10 kg. What will be the speed of a transverse wave on this wire when a tension of $2.06 \times 10^4 N$ is applied?

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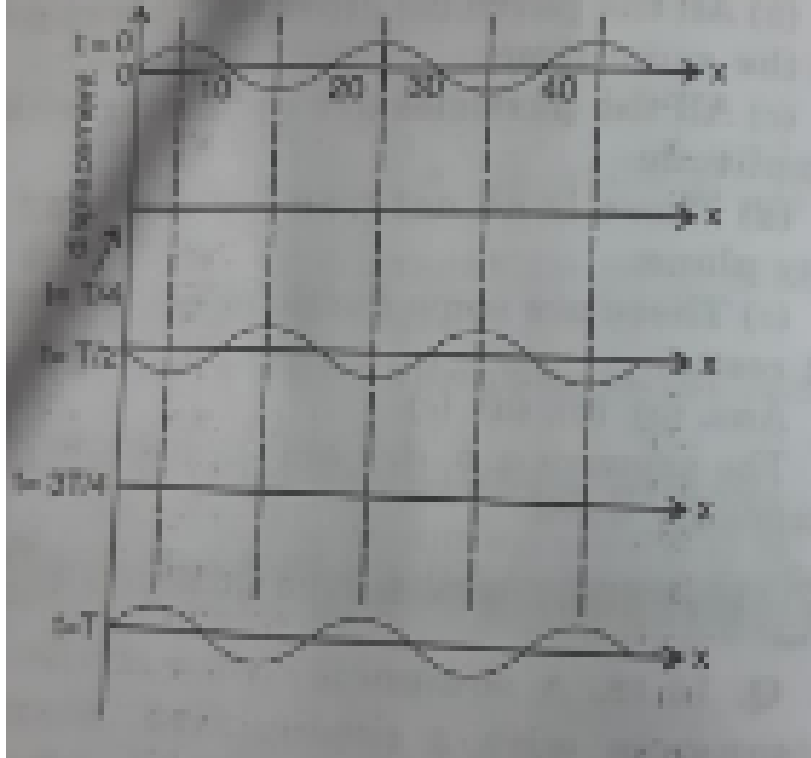
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114. A train standing at the outer signal of a railway station blows a whistle of frequency 400 Hz in still air .The train begins to move with a speed of 10m s^{-1} towards the platform. What is the frequency of the sound for an observer standing on the platform?(sound velocity in air = (330m s^{-1}))

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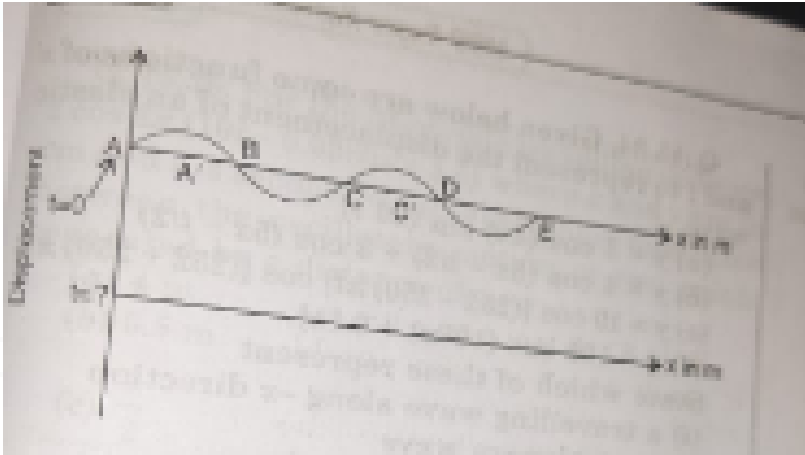
115. The wave pattern on a stretched string is shown in the figure. Interpret what kind of wave this is and find its wavelength?



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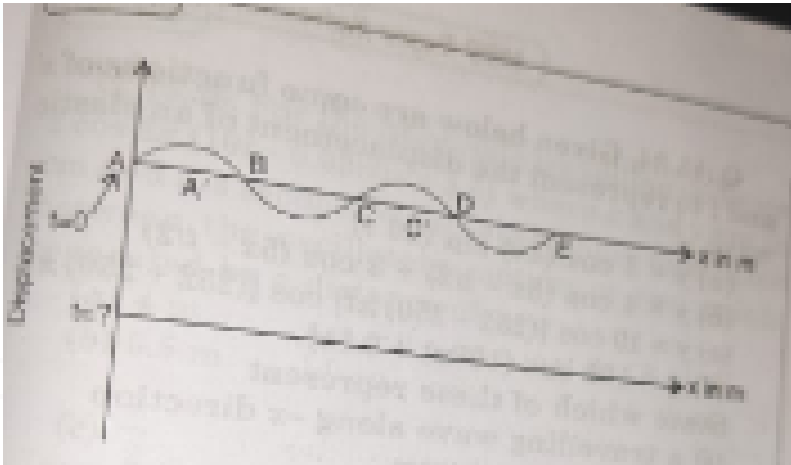
Calculate the time at which the second curve is plotted.



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Mark nodes and antinodes on the curve.



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118. Show that when a string fixed at two ends vibrates in 1 loops, 2 loops, 3 loops and 4 loops, the frequencies are in the ratio 1:2:3:4.



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119. The earth has a radius of 6400 km . The inner core of 1000km radius is solid. Outside it, there is a region from 1000 km to a radius of 3500 km which is in molten state. Then again from 3500 km to 6400 km the earth

is solid. Only longitudinal (P) waves can travel inside a liquid. Assume that the P wave has a speed of 8 km s^{-1} in solid parts and of 5 km s^{-1} in liquid parts of the earth. An earthquake occurs at some place closer to the surface of the earth. Calculate the time after which it will be recorded in a seismometer at a diametrically opposite point on the earth if wave travels along diameter?

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120. If c is r.m.s. speed of molecules in a gas and v is the speed of sound wave in the gas, show that c/v is constant and independent of temperature for all diatomic gases.

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121. Given below are some functions of x and t to represent the displacement of an elastic wave.

$$y = 5 \cos(4x) \sin(20t)$$

State which of these represent

(a) a travelling wave along $(-x)$ direction

(b) a stationary wave (c) beats

(c) a travelling wave along $(+x)$ direction.

Give reasons for the answers.



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122. Given below are some functions of x and t to represent the displacement of an elastic wave.

$$y=4 \cos (5x-t/2)+3 \cos (5x-t/2).$$

State which of these represent

(a) a travelling wave along $(-x)$ direction

(b) a stationary wave (c) beats

(c) a travelling wave along $(+x)$ direction.

Give reasons for the answers.



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123. Given below are some functions of x and t to represent the displacement of an elastic wave.

$$y = 10 \cos[(252 - 250)\pi t] \cos[(252 + 250)\pi t]$$



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124. Given below are some functions of x and t to represent the displacement of an elastic wave.

$$y = 100 \cos(100\pi t + 0.5x)$$

State which of these represent

a travelling wave along $-x$ direction

a stationary wave

beats

a travelling wave along $+x$ directions.

Given reason for your answers.



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125. In the given progressive wave $y = 5 \sin(100\pi t - 0.4\pi x)$

where y and x are in m, t in s. What is the

amplitude



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126. In the given progressive wave $y = 5 \sin(100\pi t - 0.4\pi x)$

where y and x are in m, t in s. What is the

wavelength



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127. In the given progressive wave $y = 5 \sin(100\pi t - 0.4\pi x)$

where y and x are in m, t in s. What is the

frequency



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128. In the given progressive wave $y = 5 \sin(100\pi t - 0.4\pi x)$

where y and x are in m, t in s. What is the wave velocity

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129. In the given progressive wave $y = 5 \sin(100\pi t - 0.4\pi x)$

where y and x are in m, t in s. What is the particle velocity amplitude?

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130. For the travelling harmonic wave $y(x, t) = 2.0 \cos 2\pi(10t - 0.0080x + 0.35)$ where x and y are in cm and t in s. Calculate the phase difference between oscillatory motion of two points separated by a distance of 4m.

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131. For the travelling harmonic wave $y(x, t) = 2.0 \cos 2\pi(10t - 0.0080x + 0.35)$ where x and y are in cm and t in s. Calculate the phase difference between oscillatory motion of two points separated by a distance of 0.5 m.

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132. For the travelling harmonic wave $y(x, t) = 2.0 \cos 2\pi(10t - 0.0080x + 0.35)$ where x and y are in cm and t in s. Calculate the phase difference between oscillatory motion of two points separated by a distance of $\gamma/2$.

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133. For the travelling harmonic wave $y(x, t) = 2.0 \cos 2\pi(10t - 0.0080x + 0.35)$ where x and y are in cm and t in s. Calculate the phase difference between oscillatory motion of two points separated by a distance of $(3\gamma)/4$.



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134. For the harmonic travelling wave $y = 2 \cos 2\pi(10t - 0.0080x + 3.5)$ where x and y are in cm and t is second.

What is the phase difference between the oscillation of a particle located at $x=100$ cm, at $t=T_s$ and $t=5s$?



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135. Water waves are:

- A. Longitudinal
- B. Transverse
- C. Both longitudinal and transverse
- D. Neither longitudinal nor transverse

Answer:



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136. Velocity of sound is maximum in:

A. He

B. N_2

C. H_2

D. O_2

Answer:



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137. Distinguish between sound waves and light waves.

A. Interference

B. Refraction

C. Polarisation

D. Reflection

Answer:



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138. Two sound waves of slightly different frequencies propagating in the same direction produce beats due to:

- A. Interference
- B. Diffraction
- C. Reflection
- D. Refraction

Answer:



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139. Change in temperature of the medium changes

- A. Frequency
- B. Amplitude
- C. Wavelength
- D. loudness

Answer:



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140. Human ear cannot hear those mechanical waves whose frequency lies in the frequency range:

- A. Less than 1000Hz but greater than 10000 Hz
- B. Between 1000 Hz and 5000 Hz
- C. Between 500 Hz and 20000 Hz
- D. Less than 20 Hz and more than 2000 Hz.

Answer:



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141. At a given temperature ,velocity of sound in oxygen and in hydrogen has the ratio:

- A. 4:1
- B. 1:4
- C. 1:1
- D. 2:1

Answer:



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142. A wave along a string has the following equation (y,x in metre and t in sec) $y=0.02 \sin (30t-4.0x)$ Find Amplitude

A. 0.02m

B. 0.04m

C. 4.0m

D. 30m

Answer:



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143. When a wave is reflected from a denser medium, the change in phase is:

A. 0

B. π

C. 2π

D. 3π

Answer:

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144. If the speed of sound in air at 0°C is 331m s^{-1} . What will be its value at 35°C ?

A. 331m s^{-1}

B. 366m s^{-1}

C. 351.6m s^{-1}

D. 332m s^{-1}

Answer:

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145. In a longitudinal wave, pressure variation and displacement variation are:

A. 180° out of phase

B. 70° out of phase

C. 45° out of phase

D. In phase.

Answer:



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146. In a stationary wave.

A. particle move periodically

B. All particles are at rest

C. Amplitude is same at all places

D. Amplitude is maximum at some places and minimum at some other.

Answer:



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147. In the principle of superposition, the characteristics that get added vectorially is:

- A. Displacement
- B. Velocity
- C. Amplitude
- D. Frequency

Answer:



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148. The phase difference between two particles of a medium lying just on the opposite sides of a node is:

- A. Zero
- B. $\frac{\pi}{3}$
- C. π

D. 2π

Answer:



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149. A tuning is made of:

A. Steel

B. Iron

C. Invar

D. Elinvar

Answer:



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150. When an open pipe is producing third harmonic, number of nodes is:

A. 1

B. 2

C. 3

D. 4

Answer:



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151. As an empty vessels is filled with water, its frequency:

A. Increases

B. Decreases

C. Remains the same

D. None of these

Answer:



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152. When a source of sound moves towards stationary observer, the wavelength of sound received by the observer

- A. Increases
- B. Decreases
- C. Remains the same
- D. Cannot say.

Answer:



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153. In case of a moving source of sound approaching an observer.

- A. The wavelength of sound appears to be less
- B. The wavelength of sound appears to be more
- C. The frequency appears to be less

D. None of these.

Answer:



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154. If an open pipe of length l vibrates in fundamental mode, then pressure variation is maximum at:

- A. Ends of pipe
- B. Middle of pipe
- C. One fourth from ends of pipe
- D. One third from ends of pipe

Answer:



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155. Fill in the blanks:

Wave motion is a form of_____.



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156. Fill in the blanks:

___ formula for velocity of sound in a gaseous medium was modified by_____.



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157. Fill in the blanks:

Pressure has _____ on the velocity of sound.



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158. Fill in the blanks:

Sound travels _____ in moist air.

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159. Fill in the blanks:

Velocity of sound waves is _____ of their amplitude.

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160. Fill in the blanks:

Velocity of sound in a gas is proportional to the square root of its _____.

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161. Fill in the blanks:

Wave function describe mathematically the _____ of the wave pulse.





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162. Fill in the blanks:

When reflection takes place at rarer medium,compression is reflected as _____.



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163. Fill in the blanks:

Stethoscope uses the reflection of _____ waves.



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164. Fill in the blanks:

Beats are used in _____ of musical instrument.



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165. Define the terms wave and wave motion.



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166. What is transported during wave motion in a medium?



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167. Do all waves require a medium to travel through? Give examples.



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168. On dropping a pebble in still water, what type of waves are produced on the surface of water?



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169. How is velocity of sound affected by an increase of pressure?



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170. Why do we say that sound waves are mechanical in character?



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171. What is the nature of sound Longitudinal wave or Transverse wave ?



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172. What is the range of audible sound waves?



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173. Can we concentrate the sound waves at a particular point?



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174. Give two differences between progressive and stationary waves.

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175. What are pressure waves?

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176. Is the phenomenon of interference, characteristics of all wave motion?

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177. What is the cause of Doppler's effects when the observer is in motion?

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178. What conclusion can be drawn from red shift?



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179. What will you hear if you were to move away from a siren with speed of sound?



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180. An explosion takes place at the bottom of a lake. What type of waves are produced inside the water?



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181. Which characteristic of the medium determine the velocity of longitudinal sound waves in a medium?



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182. In which gas - H_2 or O_2 will sound travel with greater speed under given conditions of temperature and pressure?

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183. What is the distance between two consecutive nodes?

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184. Does the change in frequency due to Doppler's effects depends on the distance between the source and the listner?

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185. _____xx wavelength = velocity.

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186. When density of a gas is doubled, the velocity of sound in it will become_____times.



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187. Water waves are:



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188. Sound travels by_____waves in air.



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189. Flute is an example of_____.



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190. Pitch of sound depends upon_____.



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191. What is wave? What are types of wave?



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192. Establish the relation between wave velocity, wavelength and frequency of a wave.



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193. Show that the Phase velocity = Angular velocity/Propagation constant



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194. What is the effect of temperature on the velocity of sound? Derive the relation.

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195. What is the nature of sound Longitudinal wave or Transverse wave ?

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196. Define wave functions.

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197. In which case is the speed of sound greater air, liquid and a solid? Give examples.

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198. At what temperature will the speed of sound in air become double of its value of $0^{\circ}C$?



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199. If we place our ear at the end of a long pipe and ask our friend to hammer at the other end, we will hear two distinct types of sound. Explain why?



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200. What is the velocity of wave in a string of line or mass density m when stretched to tension T ?



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201. Are particle velocity and wave velocity the same?



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202. When sound travels through gases, is it under isothermal condition or adiabatic conditions? And why?



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203. Define coefficient of velocity of sound and show that it is $0.61ms^{-1}c^{-1}$.



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204. What is the minimum distance of the obstacle from the source of sound for hearing distinct echo?



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205. What are the factor on which the velocity of sound of a stretched vibrating string depends?

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206. What are standing waves or stationary waves?Why are they so called?

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207. What is practical importance of stationary waves in sound?

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208. How is it that strings vibrate in transverse manner and produce longitudinal waves?

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209. What is the difference between Interference and Beats?

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210. The facts that we have two ears enables us to sense the direction from which a sound is coming. This depends on the interference principle. Explain.

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211. A tuning fork has two prongs. Why?

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212. What is the use of stem of a tuning fork?

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213. We cannot hear beats when beat frequency is more than 10. why?

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214. To hear beats, it is essential to have two frequencies very close to each other. Why?

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215. What is the apparent change in frequency when source and observer move with same velocity in the same direction?

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216. What is red shift?

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217. What are different types of wave motions?



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218. Define the terms compression , rarefaction, crest , trough , wavelength , frequency , time period .



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219. Explain the propagation of a wave through a medium using the analogy of a collection of springs connected to each other.



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220. Show with an experiment that air contains water vapours.



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221. Write the expression for the speed of propagation of transverse and longitudinal waves in different media and check these relations dimensionally.

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222. Derive Newton's formula for velocity of sound in air. Point out the error and hence discuss Laplace's correction to find out the velocity of sound.

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223. Which characteristic of the medium determine the velocity of longitudinal sound waves in a medium?

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224. What is the shape of the wave when two wave pulses travelling in the opposite direction cross each other?

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225. State superposition principle. Give examples by drawing suitable diagrams.

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226. What are the limitations of the principle of superposition of waves?

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227. Explain reflection of waves and find the general expression for the resultant displacement when direct and reflected waves overlap.

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228. Explain how does the reflection of wave from a rigid boundary changes the shape of the pulse?

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229. Give two practical applications of reflection of sound waves.

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230. Derive displacement relation for a progressive wave.

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231. What is a harmonic wave? Determine an expression for it.

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232. Explain phase and phase difference in waves and hence define wavelength and time period.

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233. Explain that a periodic wave may have in general so many harmonic component waves. What are harmonics?

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234. What are standing waves or stationary waves? Why are they so called?

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235. What are normal modes?

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236. Find expression for the various harmonics in a vibration string fixed at the two ends. Hence predict the position of nodes and antinodes.

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237. What do you mean by an organ pipe? Derive expression for stationary waves formed in a closed organ pipe and discuss normal modes of vibration of the pipe.

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238. Derive expression for stationary waves formed in an open organ pipe and discuss normal modes of vibration of the pipe.

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239. Give two differences between progressive and stationary waves.



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240. What are beats? Discuss the formation of beats analytically as well as graphically.



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241. Explain Doppler effect. Find an expression for the change in frequency.



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242. State Doppler's Effect.



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243. What is the apparent change in frequency when source and observer move with same velocity in the same direction?



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244. What is the apparent change in frequency when source and observer move with same velocity in the same direction?

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245. Derive the following relation by the method of dimensions

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

T=Tension, μ =mass per unit length.

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246. Derive the following relation by the method of dimensions

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{E}{\rho}}$$

E=coefficient of elasticity, ρ =density of medium.

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247. A steel wire 0.72 m long has a mass of 5.0×10^{-3} kg. If the wire is under a tension of 60 N, What is the speed of transverse waves on the wire?



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248. A metre-long tube open at one end, with a movable piston at the other end, shows resonance with a fixed frequency source (a tuning fork of frequency 340 Hz) when the tube length is 25.5 cm or 79.3 cm. Estimate the speed of sound in air at the temperature of the experiment. The edge effects may be neglected.



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249. A wire of mass $9.8 \cdot 10^{-3}$ kg per metre passes over a friction less pulley fixed on the top of an inclined friction less plane which makes an angle of 30° with the horizontal. Masses M_1 and M_2 are tied at the two

end of the wire. The mass M_1 rests on the plane and the mass M_2 hangs vertically downward. The whole system is in equilibrium. Now a transverse wave propagates along the wire with a velocity of 100ms^{-1} . Find the values of masses M_1 and M_2 . Take $g = 9.8\text{ms}^{-2}$.

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250. One end of a long string of linear mass density $8.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kg m}^{-1}$ is connected to an electrically driven tuning fork of frequency 256 Hz. The other end passes over a pulley and is tied to a pan containing a mass of 90 kg. The pulley end absorbs all the incoming energy so that reflected waves at this end have negligible amplitude. At $t = 0$, the left end (fork end) of the string $x = 0$ has zero transverse displacement ($y = 0$) and is moving along positive y -direction. The amplitude of the wave is 5.0 cm. Write down the transverse displacement y as a function of x and t that describes the wave on the string

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251. A load of 20 kg is suspended by a steel wire in a sonometer experiment velocity of waves when the wire is rubbed with a resined cloth along the length is 20 times the velocity of waves in the same string when its plucked. Find area of cross- section of the wire,if Y for steel is $19.6 \times 10^{10} Nm^{-2}$ and $g = 9.8ms^{-2}$.

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Exercise

1. Can mechanical waves travel through vacuum?

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2. Which waves do not require medium for propagation?

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3. What is the speed of mechanical wave?



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4. What is the speed of electromagnetic wave?



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5. What kind of sound waves are produced in air ?



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6. On dropping a pebble in still water, what type of waves are produced on the surface of water?



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7. Define wave motion. What are its characteristics?



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8. The speed of sound waves depends on temperature but speed of light waves does not, why?



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9. Discuss the term 'phase' in a wave motion.



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10. Why stationary wave is so called?



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11. Discuss the main characteristics of stationary waves.

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12. Calculate the increase in velocity of sound produced by $1^{\circ}C$ rise in temperature, if the velocity of sound at $0^{\circ}C$ is $332ms^{-1}$?

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13. Explain briefly the analytical method of formation of beats.

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14. What is Doppler's effect? Derive a general expression for the apparent frequency when both source and observer are in relative motion.

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