

# Vibrations & Waves Problem Sheet 4: Answers

1) a).  $\frac{d\omega^2}{dk^2} = \frac{d\omega^2}{d\omega} \frac{d\omega}{dk} \frac{dk}{dk^2} = 2\omega \cdot v_g \cdot \left(\frac{dk^2}{dk}\right)^{-1} = 2\omega v_g \frac{1}{2k} = v_g \frac{\omega}{k} = v_g v_p$

b).  $v_p(\omega) = c/n(\omega) = c/\sqrt{1-\omega_p^2/\omega^2}$ . But  $v_p = \omega/k$   
 $\Rightarrow c/\sqrt{1-\omega_p^2/\omega^2} = \omega/k \Rightarrow c^2/(1-\omega_p^2/\omega^2) = \omega^2/k^2$   
 $\Rightarrow \omega^2 = c^2 k^2 + \omega_p^2$

c) From a)  $\frac{d\omega^2}{dk^2} = v_g v_p$ . From disp vel.  $\frac{d\omega^2}{dk^2} = c^2 \Rightarrow v_g v_p = c^2$   
 $\Rightarrow v_g = c^2/v_p = c\sqrt{1-\omega_p^2/\omega^2}$

d) For  $\omega > \omega_p: v_p(\omega) > c$ , but  $v_g < c$ . NB  $v_p > c$  is not in conflict with relativity since information carried at group velocities,  $v_g$ .

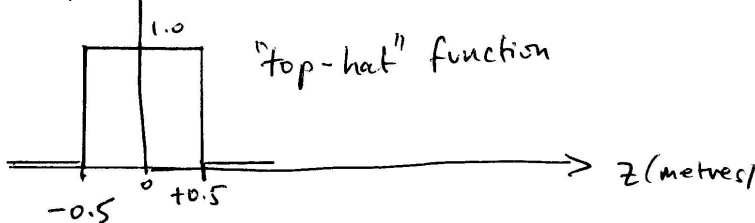
2)  $\Psi(z, t) = f(z - v_p t) = f(y)$  with  $y = z - v_p t$

$$\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} = -v_p \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y}, \quad \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} \right) \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} = -v_p \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( -v_p \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y} \right) = v_p^2 \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial y^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y}, \quad \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial z^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z} \right) \frac{\partial y}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial y^2}$$

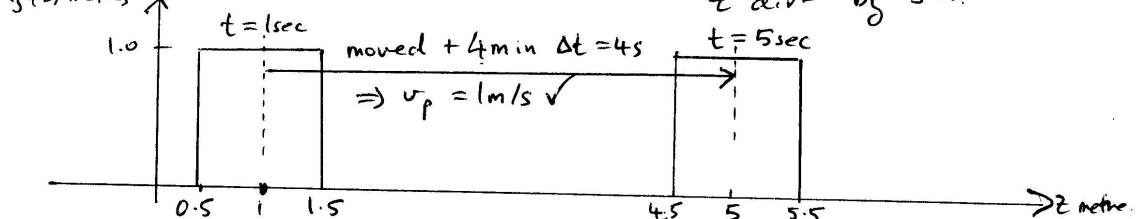
$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial t^2} = v_p^2 \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial z^2}$$

3) a)  $f(z)$  in metres



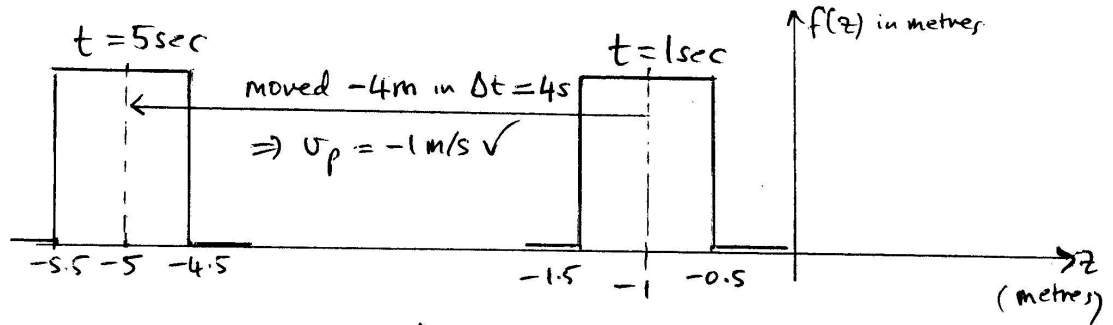
b) for  $t=1\text{sec}$ ,  $v_p=1\text{m/s}$ ,  $f(z - v_p t) = f(z - 1) = f(z)$  shifted in pos.  $z$  dir<sup>n</sup> by 1m.

for  $t=5\text{sec}$ ,  $v_p=1\text{m/s}$ ,  $f(z - v_p t) = f(z - 5) = f(z)$  shifted in pos.  $z$  dir<sup>n</sup> by 5m.



c) for  $t = 1 \text{ sec}$ ,  $v_p = -1 \text{ m/s}$ ,  $f(z - v_p t) = f(z + 1) = f(z)$  shifted in neg.  $z$  dir<sup>n</sup> by  $1 \text{ m}$ .

for  $t = 5 \text{ sec}$ ,  $v_p = -1 \text{ m/s}$ ,  $f(z - v_p t) = f(z + 5) = f(z)$  shifted in neg.  $z$  dir<sup>n</sup> by  $5 \text{ m}$ .



4) a)  $f(z) = A \exp(-z^2/w^2)$  "Gaussian" of width  $w$ .

$$v_p = +5 \text{ m/s} \Rightarrow f(z - v_p t) = A \exp(- (z - 5t)^2 / w^2)$$

b)  $f(z) = (1 + z^2/w^2)^{-1}$  "Lorentzian" of width  $w$ .

$$v_p = -2 \text{ m/s} \Rightarrow f(z - v_p t) = (1 + (z + 2t)^2 / w^2)^{-1}$$

5) We had  $f' = \left( \frac{v_p + u_R}{v_p - u_S} \right) f$  for  $u_S \rightarrow \leftarrow u_R$  (& change signs of  $u_R, u_S$  according to situation)

a)  $u_R = u_T = 0 \quad u_S = u_B \leftarrow \Rightarrow f'_T = \left( \frac{v_p + 0}{v_p - u} \right) f_B = \left( \frac{v_p}{v_p - u_B} \right) f_B$

or from 1<sup>st</sup> principles, bat is moving towards tree  $\Rightarrow \lambda$  emitted into air compressed by motion of source  $\lambda'_T = \lambda_B - u_B T_B$  where  $T_B = 1/f_B$

$$f'_T = \frac{v_p}{\lambda'} = \frac{v_p}{\lambda_B - u_B T_B} = \frac{v_p}{v_p/f_B - u_B/f_B} = \left( \frac{v_p}{v_p - u_B} \right) f_B.$$

b)  $u_R = u_M \leftarrow \quad u_S = u_B \leftarrow \quad \Rightarrow f'_M = \left( \frac{v_p - u_R}{v_p - u_S} \right) f_B = \left( \frac{v_p - u_M}{v_p - u_B} \right) f_B$

{ This is equivalent to  $u_S = u_B \rightarrow \quad u_R = u_M \rightarrow$  }

or from 1<sup>st</sup> principles, since moth flying in same dir<sup>n</sup> as bat it takes more time to receive each  $\lambda$  travelling in air  $\Rightarrow$  period received  $T'_M$  stretched by motion  $\lambda'_M = \lambda + u_M T_M$ .  $f'_M = \frac{v_p}{\lambda'_M} = \frac{v_p}{\lambda + u_M/f'_M}$

$$\Rightarrow f'_M \lambda + u_M = v_p \Rightarrow f'_M v_p / f = v_p - u_M \Rightarrow f'_M = \left( \frac{v_p - u_M}{v_p} \right) f$$

But  $f$  is freq. received by stationary receiver (ie  $f'_T$ )

$$\Rightarrow f'_M = \left( \frac{v_p - u_M}{v_p - u_B} \right) f_B.$$

c)  $u_s = u_T = 0$   $\leftarrow$   $u_R = u_B$  Tree reflecting waves at freq.  $f_T'$

$$\Rightarrow f_T'' = \left( \frac{v_p + u_R}{v_p - 0} \right) f_T' = \left( \frac{v_p + u_B}{v_p - u_B} \right) f_B$$

Or from 1st principles, since bat flying towards reflection from tree it takes less time to receive each wavelength from tree  $\Rightarrow$  period received by bat  $T_T''$  is compressed

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_T'' = \lambda_T' - u_B T_T''$$

$$f_T'' = \frac{v_p}{\lambda_T''} = \frac{v_p}{\lambda_T' - u_B/f_T''} \Rightarrow f_T'' \lambda_T' - u_B = v_p$$

$$\Rightarrow f_T'' v_p / f_T' = v_p + u_B \Rightarrow f_T'' = \left( \frac{v_p + u_B}{v_p} \right) f_T' = \left( \frac{v_p + u_B}{v_p - u_B} \right) f_B$$

d)  $u_s = u_m$   $\leftarrow$   $u_R = u_B$  Moth reflecting waves at freq  $f_m'$

$$\Rightarrow f_m'' = \left( \frac{v_p + u_R}{v_p + u_s} \right) f_m' = \left( \frac{v_p + u_B}{v_p + u_m} \right) \left( \frac{v_p - u_m}{v_p - u_B} \right) f_B$$

Or from first principles, since moth moving away from bat, reflected waves from moth will have wavelength stretched by motion of source (moth)

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_{m.E} = \lambda_m' + u_m T_m' \quad \text{where } \lambda_{m.E} \text{ is Doppler Shifted wavelength emitted by moth.}$$

$$f_{m.E} = \frac{v_p}{\lambda_{m.E}} = \frac{v_p}{\lambda_m' + u_m/f_m'}$$

$$= \frac{v_p}{\frac{v_p}{f_m'} + \frac{u_m}{f_m'}} = \left( \frac{v_p}{v_p + u_m} \right) f_m' = \left( \frac{v_p}{v_p + u_m} \right) \left( \frac{v_p - u_m}{v_p - u_B} \right) f_B$$

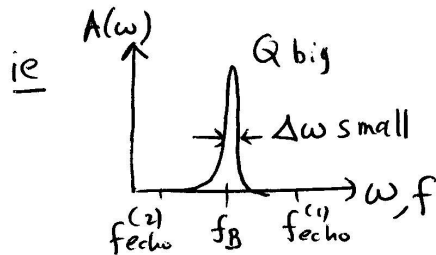
Bat is moving towards moth  $\Rightarrow$  waves received by bat will be compressed by motion of receiver (bat)

$$\lambda_m'' = \lambda_{m.E} - u_B T_m''$$

$$f_m'' = \frac{v_p}{\lambda_m''} = \frac{v_p}{\lambda_{m.E} - u_B/f_m''} = \frac{v_p}{\frac{v_p}{f_{m.E}} - \frac{u_B}{f_m''}} \Rightarrow v_p \frac{f_m''}{f_{m.E}} - u_B = v_p$$

$$\Rightarrow f_m'' = \left( \frac{v_p + u_B}{v_p} \right) f_{m.E} = \left( \frac{v_p + u_B}{v_p} \right) \left( \frac{v_p}{v_p + u_m} \right) \left( \frac{v_p - u_m}{v_p - u_B} \right) f_B$$

e) A high  $Q \Rightarrow$  narrow bandwidth  $\Delta\omega$  for bat's hearing



} Bat's ear is like a forced, damped SAM system (as is our own).

So a bat with high  $Q$  ears only hear well over narrow range of frequencies centred on their emission frequency.

The problem is that Doppler-Shifted echos (eg  $f_{\text{echo}}^{(1),(2)}$ ) may lie outside their hearing range!

f) Want echos to be at 10kHz = frequency that bats hear best at in this example.

Using  $u_B = 4 \text{ m/s}$ ,  $u_m = 0.1 \text{ m/s}$ ,  $v_p = 344 \text{ m/s}$

$$\text{Tree: } 10 \text{ kHz} = f_T'' = \left( \frac{v_p + u_B}{v_p - u_B} \right) f_B = \left( \frac{344 \text{ m/s} + 4 \text{ m/s}}{344 \text{ m/s} - 4 \text{ m/s}} \right) f_B$$

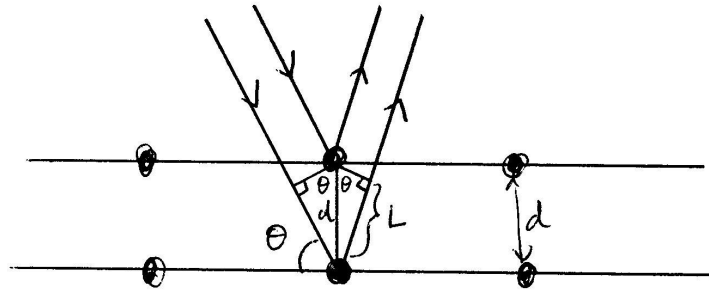
$$\Rightarrow f_B = 9.77 \text{ kHz}$$

$$\text{Moth: } 10 \text{ kHz} = f_m'' = \left( \frac{v_p + u_B}{v_p + u_m} \right) \left( \frac{v_p - u_m}{v_p - u_B} \right) f_B = \left( \frac{344 \text{ m/s} + 4 \text{ m/s}}{344 \text{ m/s} + 0.1 \text{ m/s}} \right) \left( \frac{344 \text{ m/s} - 0.1 \text{ m/s}}{344 \text{ m/s} - 4 \text{ m/s}} \right) \times f_B$$

$$\Rightarrow f_B = 9.78 \text{ kHz}$$

So bat needs to sweep its emission frequency from 9.77 kHz to 9.78 kHz for echos from tree and moth to be at 10kHz where it hears best.

6) a)



$$L = d \sin \theta$$

path difference  $\Delta r = 2L = 2d \sin \theta$

b) For constructive interference

$$\Delta r = n\lambda \quad n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow 2d \sin \theta = n\lambda$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \arcsin\left(\frac{n\lambda}{2d}\right) \quad n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

c) x-rays (or electron waves  $\lambda_e = \frac{h}{p_0}$ ) have comparable wavelengths to lattice spacing  $d \Rightarrow$  will be diffracted.

7) Past Exam Question

$$\begin{aligned} (i) (a) \quad y_+(x,t) &= A \cos(\omega t - kx + \varphi) \\ y_-(x,t) &= A \cos(\omega t + kx + \varphi) \end{aligned}$$

} here  $x$  is used as propagation  
 $dir^z$  instead of  $z$  - makes  
 no difference ( $k$  &  $y$  instead of  
 $\psi$  for displacement)

$$\begin{aligned} y_{total}(x,t) &= y_+ + y_- \\ &= A [\cos(\omega t - kx + \varphi) - \cos(\omega t + kx + \varphi)] \\ &= -2A \sin(\omega t + \varphi) \sin(-kx) \\ &= 2A \sin(kx) \sin(\omega t + \varphi) \rightarrow \text{Standing Wave} \end{aligned}$$

Boundary conditions: no  $-k \cdot x$  here

$$y_{total}(0, t) = 0 \Rightarrow \sin(kx) = 0$$

$$y_{total}(L - md, t) = 0 \Rightarrow \sin[k(L - md)] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k(L - md) = n\pi \Rightarrow \lambda_n = \frac{2(L - md)}{n} \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

(b)  $v_p = \sqrt{\frac{T^*}{\sigma}}$  [nb: I used  $\mu$  instead of  $\sigma$  for mass per unit length.  $T^*$  for the tension is to avoid confusion with period  $T$ . In most cases it's obvious from context.]

$$f_{n=1, m=0} = \frac{v_p}{\lambda_{n=1, m=0}} = \frac{v_p}{2L} \Rightarrow v_p = 2Lf = \sqrt{\frac{T^*}{\sigma}}$$

$$\Rightarrow T^* = 4L^2 f^2 \sigma = 4 \times (1\text{m})^2 \times (10^3 \text{Hz})^2 \times 10^{-3} \text{kg m}^{-1} = 4000 \text{N}$$

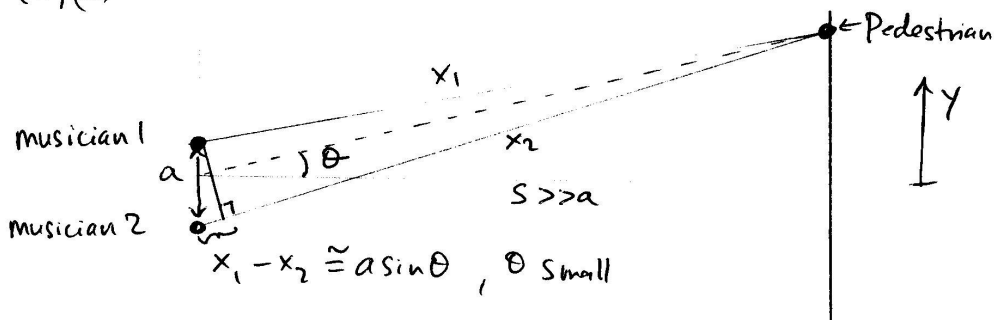
(c)  $f_{\text{beat}} = |f_{n=1, m=0} - f_{n=1, m=2}|$ ,  $L=1\text{m}$ ,  $d=0.05\text{m}$ ,  $T^*=4000\text{N}$ ,  $\sigma=10^{-3}\text{kg m}^{-1}$

$$f_{n=1, m=0} = \frac{v_p}{\lambda_{n=1, m=0}} = \frac{v_p}{2L} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{T^*}{\sigma}}}{2L} = 1\text{kHz}$$

$$f_{n=1, m=2} = \frac{v_p}{\lambda_{n=1, m=2}} = \frac{v_p}{2(L-2d)} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{T^*}{\sigma}}}{2(L-2d)} = 1.111\text{kHz}$$

$$\Rightarrow f_{\text{beat}} = 111\text{Hz}$$

(ii)(a)



NB different symbols used compared to my lecture notes, but physics same!

Sound waves from musicians 1 & 2 will arrive in-phase at pedestrian ("constructive interference") when  $x_1 - x_2 = a \sin \theta = p\lambda$   $p = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta_{\text{max}} = \frac{p\lambda}{a} = \frac{p v}{a \nu} \text{ where } \nu = \text{velocity, } \nu = \text{frequency of sound waves}$$

[note: I use  $v_p$  &  $f$  for these quantities]

$$(b) \quad S \gg a \Rightarrow \sin \theta_{\max} \approx \theta_{\max} = \frac{p v}{a v}$$

$$y/s = \tan \theta \approx \theta$$

For constructive interference (max sound intensity)

$$y_{\max} = \frac{S p v}{a v}$$

Distance between points of constructive interference (p changes by  $\lambda$ )

$$\Delta y = \frac{S \lambda}{a v} = \frac{50 \text{ m} \times 344 \text{ m/s}}{5 \text{ m} \times 10^3 \text{ Hz}} = 3.44 \text{ m}$$

$$(c) \quad \text{Intensity } I_0 = \frac{P_{\text{av}}}{A}$$

$$A = \text{area of hemisphere} = 2\pi r^2$$

At interference maximum,

$$I_{\max} = 4I_0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow I_{\max} = \frac{2 \times 1 \text{ W}}{\pi \times (50 \text{ m})^2} = 2.55 \times 10^{-4} \text{ W/m}^2$$