

PHYS102.10
Quiz # 2

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Consider a sound wave in air given by $\Delta P = (1.5 \text{ Pa}) \sin [\pi (0.9 x - 310 t)]$.

Write the equation of the displacement wave corresponding to this pressure variation wave. Take density of air = 1.2 kg/m^3 .

$$S(x, t) = S_m \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

$$S_m = \frac{\Delta P_m}{\rho v \omega}$$

$$\rho = 1.2 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$v = \frac{\omega}{k} = \frac{310\pi}{0.9\pi} = 344.4 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\omega = 310\pi \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\Delta P_m = 1.5$$

$$\Rightarrow S_m = \frac{1.5}{1.2 \times 344.4 \times 310\pi} = 3.7 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}$$

$$S(x, t) = (3.7 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}) \cos [\pi (0.9x - 310t)]$$

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A train approaches a mountain at a speed of 20 m/s. The train's engineer sounds a whistle that emits a frequency of 420 Hz. What will be the frequency of the echo that the engineer hears reflected off the mountain? Take speed of sound in air to be 340 m/s.

a) train is source, mountain is detector

$$f_D = f_s \frac{v}{v - v_s}$$
$$= 420 \frac{340}{340 - 20} = 446 \text{ Hz}$$

b) train is detector, mountain is source

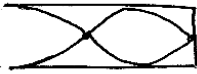
$$f_D = f_s \frac{v + v_D}{v}$$
$$= 446 \frac{340 + 20}{340} = \boxed{472 \text{ Hz}}$$

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- (a) A 75-cm long organ pipe closed at one end is played when the speed of sound in the air is 340 m/s. Find the frequency of the third harmonic.
- (b) If the same pipe was open at both ends, what would be the frequency of the third harmonic?

(a)  Third harmonic $f_n = n \frac{v}{4L} \quad n=1,3,5,\dots$

$$f_3 = 3 \times \frac{340}{4 \times 0.75} = \boxed{340 \text{ Hz}}$$

(b)  Third harmonic $f_n = n \frac{v}{2L} = 1,2,3,\dots$

$$f_3 = 3 \times \frac{340}{2 \times 0.75} = \boxed{680 \text{ Hz}}$$