

Phys I : Waves III

Standing waves or stationary waves

Particular case of wave where the maxima and minima of the amplitude are always located at a given spatial location/positions

positions where the amplitude is max : antinode
 ↙ ↘ ↙ ↘ ↙ ↘ is min. : node

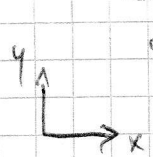
(Slide) 1) standing waves : antinode, node
 below (2) n n : sound wave, forced, in semi-open tube

Exp. Rubber tube

• Standing wave results from the superposition (sum) of 2 identical waves travelling in opposite directions.

For rubber tube or a cavity, the superposition occurs between waves reflected back and forth from the ends of the system (tube anchors, walls of cavity)

(Slide) 2) standing waves : sound wave forced in semi-open tube



• Wave in positive direction : $y_1(x,t) = y_0 \cdot \sin(\omega t - kx)$
 (left to right)

• wave in negative direction : $y_2(x,t) = y_0 \cdot \sin(\omega t + kx)$
 (right to left)

More generally, for reflected wave:

$$y_1(x,t) = y_0 \cdot \sin(\omega t - kx)$$

positive direction

$$y_2(x,t) = y_0 \cdot \sin(\omega t + kx + \varphi_0)$$

negative direction

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(dephasing) phase constant

Superposition:

$$\begin{aligned} y(x,t) &= y_1(x,t) + y_2(x,t) \\ &= 2y_0 \underbrace{\sin(\omega t + \varphi_0/2)}_{\text{only time dependent}} \cdot \underbrace{\cos(kx + \varphi_0/2)}_{\text{only position dependent}} \end{aligned}$$

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nodes: position x where amplitude is minimum

$$\Rightarrow \cos(kx + \varphi_0/2) = 0$$

$$k \cdot x_n + \varphi_0/2 = \frac{\pi}{2} + n \cdot \pi, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$2k \cdot x_n + \varphi_0 = \pi + 2n \cdot \pi = \pi \cdot (1 + 2n)$$

and $\parallel x_n = \frac{(2n+1) \cdot \pi - \varphi_0}{2k}$, positions of nodes
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 $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

anti-nodes position x where amplitude is max.:

$$\Rightarrow \cos(kx + \varphi_0/2) = \pm 1$$

$$k \cdot x_n + \varphi_0/2 = \cancel{\frac{\pi}{2} + n \cdot \pi} = n \cdot \pi, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

and $\parallel x_n = \frac{2n \cdot \pi - \varphi_0}{2k}$

$$\sin(\alpha - \beta) + \sin(\alpha + \beta) = 2 \sin \alpha \cdot \cos \beta$$

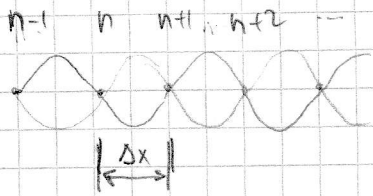
$$\alpha - \beta = \omega t - kx$$

$$\alpha + \beta = \omega t + kx + \varphi_0$$

$$2\alpha = 2\omega t + \varphi_0, \quad \alpha = \omega t + \varphi_0/2$$

$$\beta = kx + \varphi_0/2$$

distance between nodes



$$\Delta x = x_{n+1} - x_n$$

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{(2(n+1) + 1) \cdot \pi - \phi_0}{2k}$$

$$x_n = \frac{(2n + 1) \pi - \phi_0}{2k}$$

$$\Delta x = \frac{2\pi}{2k} = \frac{\pi}{k} = \frac{\pi}{2\pi/\lambda} \cdot \lambda = \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

$k = 2\pi/\lambda$

$\Delta x = \frac{\lambda}{2}$ distance between nodes

Exp.

Lecher line (Lecherleitung)

parallel wires supporting standing radio waves at microwave freq.

propagation speed: c light speed, $c = 3 \cdot 10^8$ m/s

$$c = \lambda \cdot \nu \quad \lambda = \frac{c}{\nu} = \frac{3 \cdot 10^8 \text{ m/s}}{27 \cdot 10^6 \text{ Hz}} \approx 11 \text{ m}$$

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27 MHz for microwave

$\frac{\lambda}{2} \approx 5.5 \text{ m}$ distance between nodes
(also antinodes, $\Delta x = \frac{\lambda}{2}$)

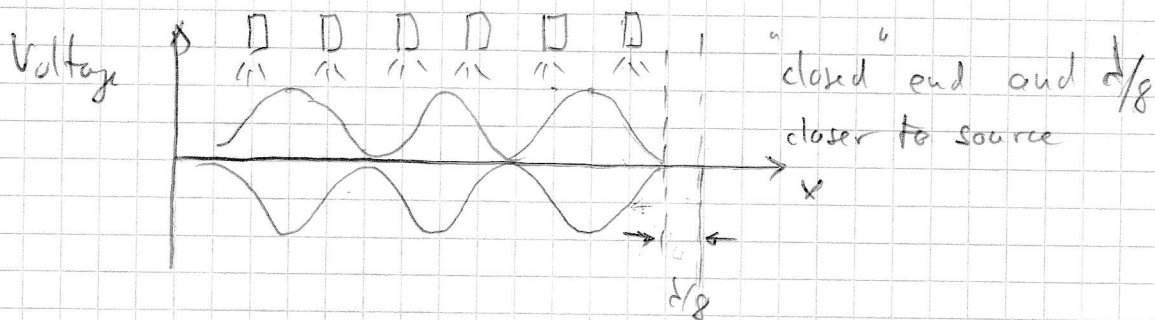
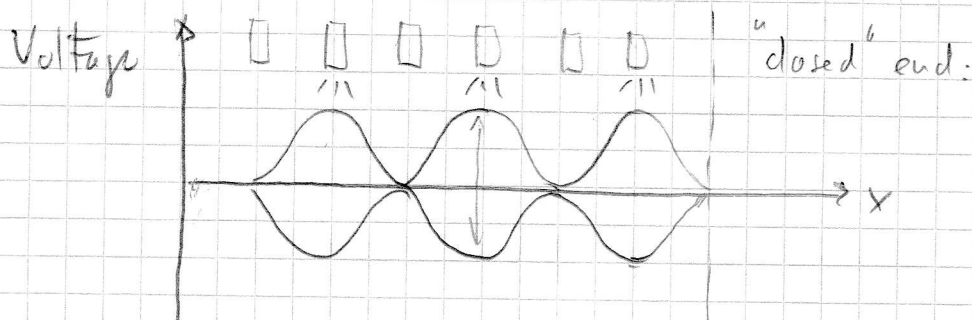
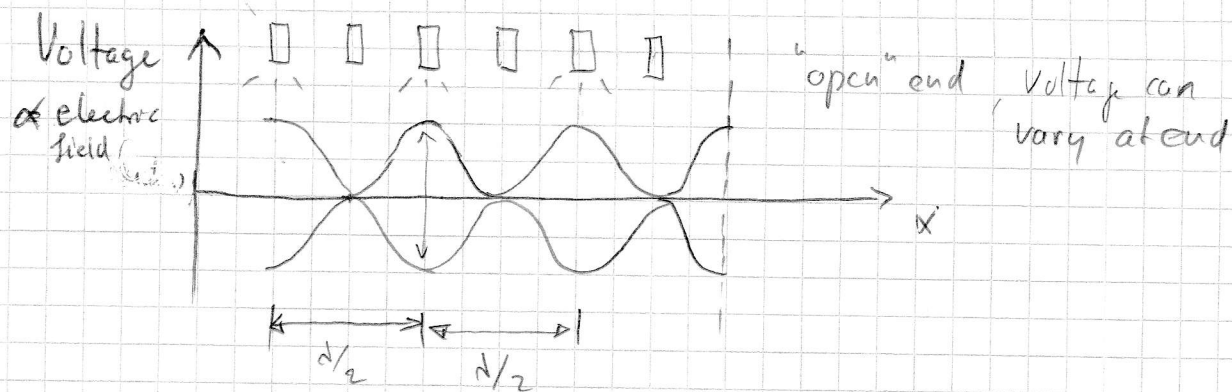
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Exp.

Chladni figures

- loud speaker, 290 Hz
 740 Hz
 1308 Hz
 1520 Hz
 1960 Hz

Standing wave : oscillating Electric field



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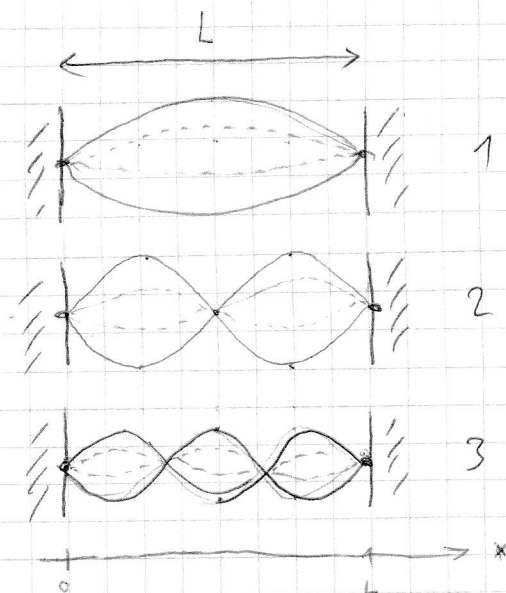
Standing waves and resonance

Waves $\frac{\pi}{4}$

- Consider a cavity and first 3 modes.

⇒ find resonance freq. using boundary conditions?

- Standing wave:



$$y(x, t) = 2y_0 \cdot \sin\left(\omega t + \frac{\varphi_0}{2}\right) \cdot \cos\left(kx + \frac{\varphi_0}{2}\right)$$

Ends are fixed: $y(0, t) = 0$ for all modes
 $y(L, t) = 0$

a) $y(0, t) = 0 = 2 \cdot y_0 \cdot \sin\left(\omega t + \frac{\varphi_0}{2}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{\varphi_0}{2}\right)$

$$0 = \cos\left(\frac{\varphi_0}{2}\right)$$

⇒ $\frac{\varphi_0}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}, \frac{5\pi}{2}, \dots$

$$= (2n+1) \cdot \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

and $\varphi_0 = (2n+1) \cdot \pi$

b) $y(L, t) = 0 = 2y_0 \cdot \sin\left(\omega t + \frac{\varphi_0}{2}\right) \cdot \cos\left(k \cdot L + \frac{\varphi_0}{2}\right)$

$$0 = \cos\left(k \cdot L + \frac{\varphi_0}{2}\right)$$

$$k \cdot L + \frac{(2n+1) \cdot \pi}{2} = (2m+1) \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} \quad n, m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$\frac{\varphi_0}{2}$
from a)

$$k \cdot L = (m-n) \cdot \pi = n' \cdot \pi$$

and $k = \frac{n' \cdot \pi}{L}$ n' , integer

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

$$\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} = \frac{n' \cdot \pi}{L}$$

and $\parallel L = n' \cdot \frac{\lambda}{2}$, for $n' = 1, 2, 3$
 cavity length, wavelength ($n' = 0$: no cavity, $L = 0$)
 trivial case

also $\parallel \lambda = \frac{2 \cdot L}{n'}$, for $n' = 1, 2, 3$
 ($n' = 0$ not defined)

Frequency ν : $\nu = \lambda \cdot \nu$
 $\nu = \frac{v}{\lambda}$

and $\nu_{n'} = \frac{v}{\lambda_{n'}} = \frac{v}{\frac{2L}{n'}} = \frac{n' \cdot v}{2L}$

$\parallel \nu_{n'} = \frac{v}{2L} \cdot n'$, for $n' = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

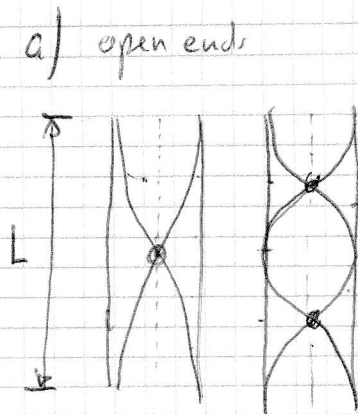
resonance frequencies
 of cavity, $\propto \frac{1}{L}$, L : cavity dimension

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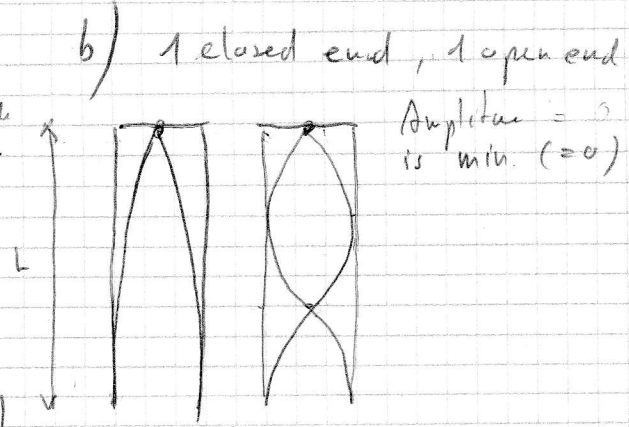
Standing waves: flute (acoustics)

We have seen the importance of particular spatial locations (max, min), in particular the "ends" of a system.

flute:
(hollow cylinder)



Amplitude is max.



Amplitude is min. (=0)

fundamental (n=0) 1st overtone (n=1)
1 node 2 nodes
 $L = \frac{\lambda}{2}$ $L = \lambda$

fundamental (n=0) 1st overtone (n=1)
1 node 2 nodes
 $L = \frac{\lambda}{4}$ $L = \frac{3\lambda}{4}$ ($\frac{2}{3}L = \frac{\lambda}{2}$)

nth overtone

nth overtone

$n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

$$L = (n+1) \cdot \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

$$L = (2n+1) \cdot \frac{\lambda}{4}$$

$$v = \lambda \cdot \nu$$

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$$\Rightarrow L = (n+1) \cdot \frac{v}{2 \cdot \nu}$$

$$v = \lambda \cdot \nu$$

$$\text{and } \nu_n = (n+1) \cdot \frac{v}{2 \cdot L} \propto \frac{1}{L}$$

$$\text{and } \nu_n = (2n+1) \cdot \frac{v}{4L} \propto \frac{1}{L}$$

Exp.

- 1) PET tubes, make them rotate by hand
- 2) (flute, whistles): organ pipe: air, CO₂, He $v_{CO_2} = 258 \text{ m/s}$
- 3) the voice $\approx v_{air} = 343 \text{ m/s}$, $v_{He} = 930 \text{ m/s}$ (300K)
- 4) Chladni figures: particles accumulate at amplitude minima (antinodes); standing waves
(if not done before)

Acoustics

sound waves : in gases, longitudinal pressure waves
 in solids, longitudinal & transversal pressure waves

Amplitude A_0 : $A(x,t) = A_0 \sin(\omega t - kx)$

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standing sound wave

$A_0 \propto \Delta p$, local pressure (difference) in medium, or Δp , local pressure

sound intensity : $I = \frac{P}{S} = \frac{\text{power}}{\text{area}} \quad \frac{W}{m^2} (= \frac{Watt}{m^2})$

$I \propto (\text{Amplitude})^2$

with $I = \frac{(\Delta p)^2}{2 \rho v}$

(units: %)

ρ : medium density, kg/m^3

v : speed of sound, m/s

Δp : pressure difference N/m^2

\uparrow small Δp , pressure

(larger Δp : power)

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Table sound intensities

[Exp] : dB

Note: values in dB, decibel

Loudness : (subjective, for human being) perceived sound intensity (\neq sound intensity!)

(in decibel)

\rightarrow perception: twice as loud when power increased by factor of 10

$L = 10 \cdot \log_{10} \left(\frac{I}{I_0} \right)$, with $I_0 = 10^{-12} W/m^2$, threshold of hearing

\rightarrow $I \propto p^2$, pressure
 $= 20 \cdot \log_{10} \left(\frac{p}{p_0} \right)$, with $p_0 = 2 \cdot 10^{-5} \frac{N}{m^2}$

[Exp]

1) Hörgrenzen

20 - 10 kHz

NB. typ. freq range for human ear ~ 20 Hz to 20 kHz

2) dB meter

(specify freq. CO's)

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Loudness: freq dependence / (slide) human ear

Unit intensity $I = \frac{(\Delta p)^2}{2 \rho v}$

$$\text{unit: } = \frac{\text{N}^2}{\text{m}^4} \cdot \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}} \cdot \frac{\text{s}}{\text{m}}$$

$$= \frac{\text{N}^2}{\text{m}^2} \cdot \frac{\text{m}}{\text{N} \cdot \text{s}^2} \cdot \text{s}$$

$$= \frac{\text{N} \cdot \text{m}}{\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{s}} = \frac{\text{J}}{\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{s}} = \frac{\text{Watt}}{\text{m}^2}$$

Newton: $F = ma$

$$\text{N} = \text{kg} \cdot \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{kg} = \frac{\text{N} \cdot \text{s}^2}{\text{m}}$$