

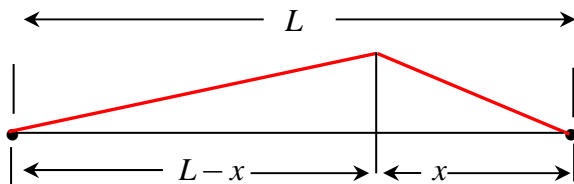
Complex Vibrations & Resonance

Simple vibrating systems have only one frequency (the fundamental).
 Few such systems exist in real life (*n.b.* they are also musically less interesting/boring..).

Real vibrating systems are “complex” – rich structure of harmonics/overtone.
 Overtone structure may also change/shift with time – not constant – more interesting!

Vibrating Strings - Standing Waves:

Consider a stretched string of length L , vibrating from fixed (*i.e.* rigid) end supports:



fixed endpoints (rigid)

Plucking the string at position x launches two **counter-propagating traveling** waves:

- * One traveling wave moves to the **right**, the other traveling wave moves to the **left**.
- * When the traveling wave(s) hit the rigid/fixed ends at $x = 0$ and $x = L$, they are reflected; A polarity flip (= phase change of 180°) also occurs there.

Compare this situation to that for two counter-propagating traveling waves reflected from free ends - no polarity change (*i.e.* no phase shift) occurs!

The superposition {*i.e.* the linear addition $y_{\text{tot}}(x,t) = y_1(x,t) + y_2(x,t)$ } of two **counter-propagating** traveling waves (one **right**-moving, $y_1(x,t)$ and one **left**-moving, $y_2(x,t)$) creates a standing wave on the string!

Complex Vibrations and Resonance

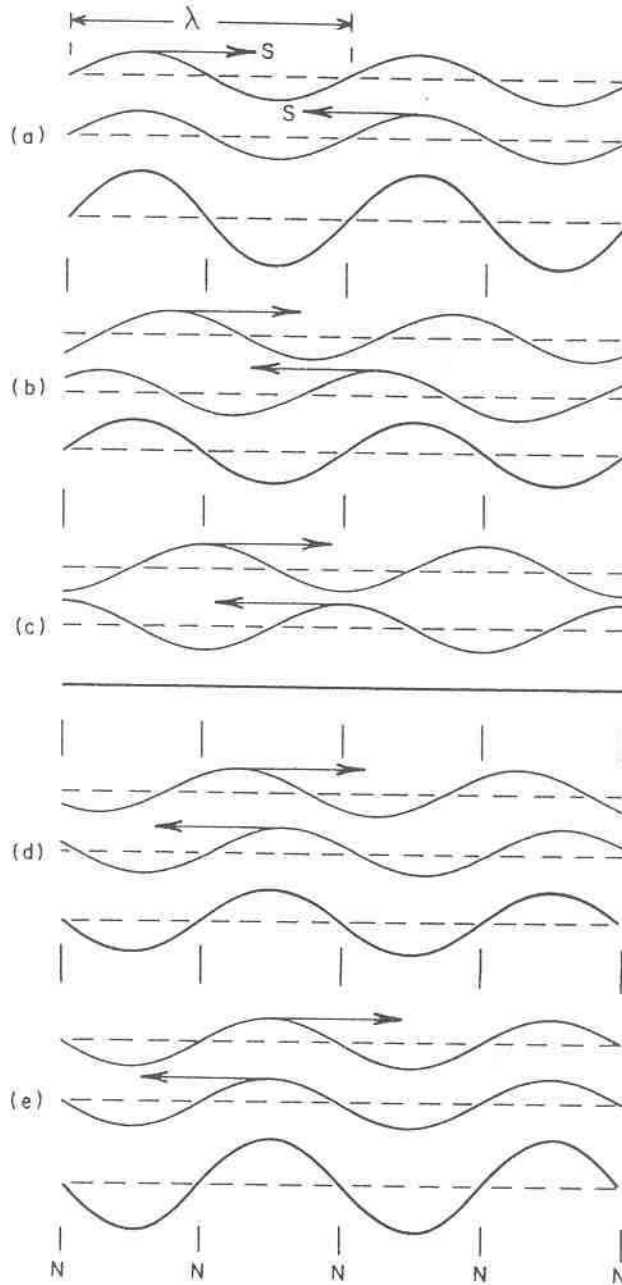


FIG. 1. Production of a standing wave on a string by two identical waves traveling in opposite directions. Diagrams (a), (b), (c), (d), and (e) are the configurations at intervals of one-eighth cycle.

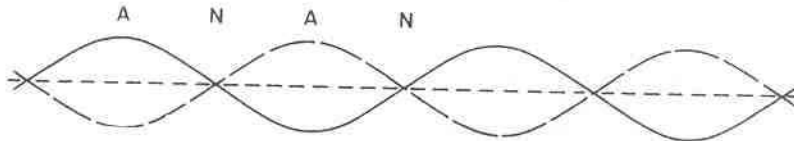


FIG. 2. Standing wave on a long string.

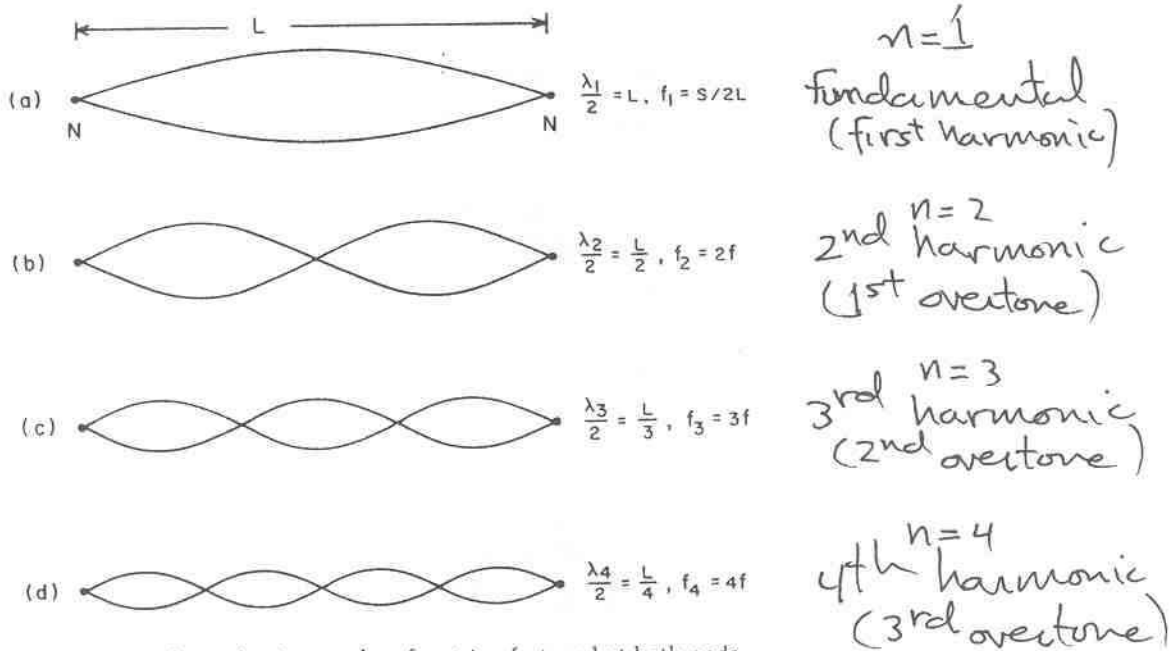


FIG. 3. First four vibration modes of a string fastened at both ends.

Longitudinal wave speed, v

$$v = f_n \cdot \lambda_n = f_1 \lambda_1 = f_3 \lambda_3 = \dots f_n \lambda_n$$

$$n = \text{integer} = 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$$

$$f_n = n f_1$$

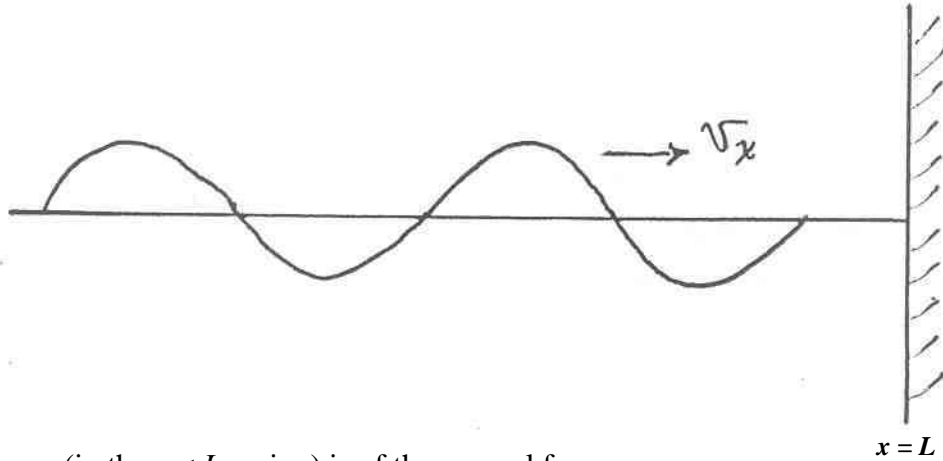
$$\lambda_n = \lambda_n = \lambda_1 / n$$

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

T = string tension (Newtons)
 μ = mass per unit length of string = M/L (kg/m)

Standing Waves

Created when harmonic traveling wave reflects *e.g.* from a **fixed** (*i.e.* rigid, immovable) end:



- Resultant wave (in the $x < L$ region) is of the general form:

$$y(x,t) = f(x-vt) - f(-x-vt) \quad \text{where: } f(x-vt) = A \sin \left[2\pi \left(\frac{x}{\lambda} - \frac{t}{\tau} \right) \right]$$

Analytic form for two counter-propagating traveling waves:

$$y(x,t) = A \sin \left[2\pi \left(\frac{x}{\lambda} - \frac{t}{\tau} \right) \right] - A \sin \left[2\pi \left(-\frac{x}{\lambda} - \frac{t}{\tau} \right) \right] \quad \Leftarrow$$

n.b. the $-$ sign for the left-moving reflected wave is due to the polarity flip (*i.e.* phase change of 180° upon reflection) of the incident right-moving wave from the fixed/immovable endpoint.

$$= A \sin \left[2\pi \left(\frac{x}{\lambda} - \frac{t}{\tau} \right) \right] + A \sin \left[2\pi \left(\frac{x}{\lambda} + \frac{t}{\tau} \right) \right] \quad \Leftarrow \text{n.b. } \boxed{\sin(-u) = -\sin u} \text{ i.e. } \textit{odd} \text{ fcn of } u.$$

Now use the trigonometric identity: $\sin(A \pm B) = \sin A \cos B \pm \sin B \cos A$

$$y(x,t) = A \sin \left(\frac{2\pi x}{\lambda} \right) \cos \left(\frac{2\pi t}{\tau} \right) - A \cos \left(\frac{2\pi x}{\lambda} \right) \sin \left(\frac{2\pi t}{\tau} \right) \\ + A \sin \left(\frac{2\pi x}{\lambda} \right) \cos \left(\frac{2\pi t}{\tau} \right) + A \cos \left(\frac{2\pi x}{\lambda} \right) \sin \left(\frac{2\pi t}{\tau} \right)$$

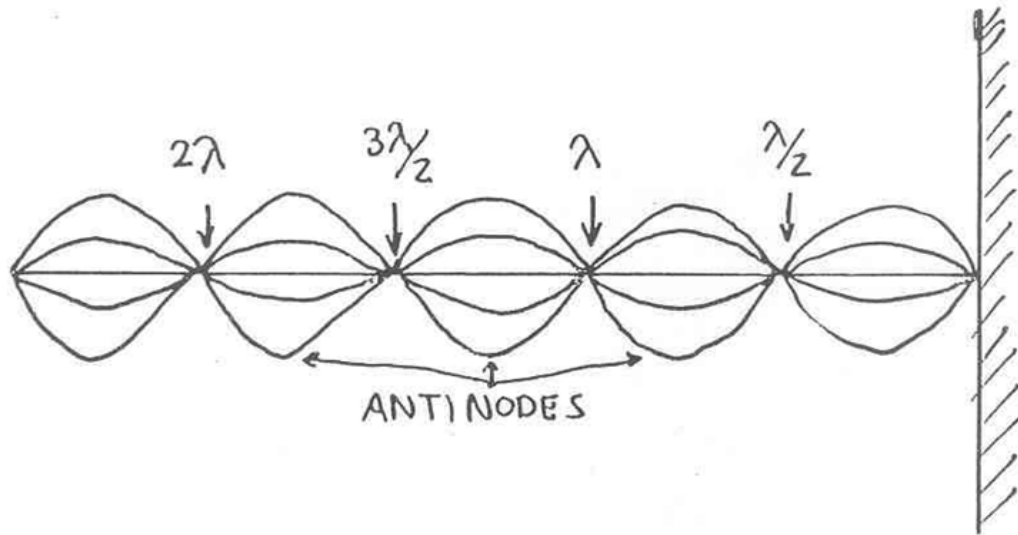
Thus: $y(x,t) = 2A \sin \left(\frac{2\pi x}{\lambda} \right) \cos \left(\frac{2\pi t}{\tau} \right)$ for **standing** wave
 = two **counter-propagating traveling** waves.

- Note: The analytic form describing the transverse displacement $y(x,t)$ associated with a **standing** wave is the **product** of two harmonic functions: fcn(space) \times fcn(time).

Nodes of transverse displacement occur at x -values along the string where $\sin(2\pi x/\lambda) = 0$
 = x -positions along the string where the transverse displacement is **minimum**: $y(x,t) = 0$

$$\sin(2\pi x/\lambda) = 0 \text{ when: } (2\pi x/\lambda) = 0\pi, 1\pi, 2\pi, 3\pi, \dots = n\pi, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Thus, we see that **nodes** occur at: $x = \frac{n}{2}\lambda = \frac{0}{2}\lambda, \frac{1}{2}\lambda, \frac{2}{2}\lambda, \frac{3}{2}\lambda, \dots \quad n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$



Anti-Nodes of transverse displacement occur at x -values along the string where $\sin(2\pi x/\lambda) = 1$
 = x -positions along the string where transverse displacement is **maximum**: $y(x,t) = A$

$$\sin(2\pi x/\lambda) = 1 \text{ when } (2\pi x/\lambda) = \frac{1\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}, \frac{5\pi}{2}, \dots = m\frac{\pi}{2}, \quad m = 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

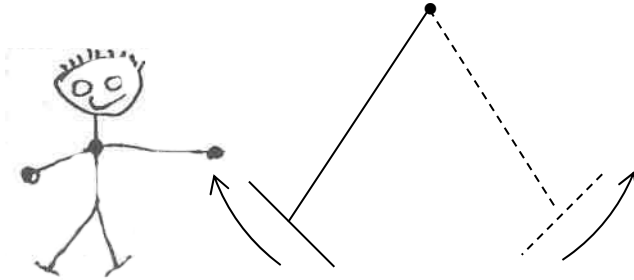
Thus, we see that **anti-nodes** occur at: $x = \frac{m}{4}\lambda = \frac{1}{4}\lambda, \frac{3}{4}\lambda, \frac{5}{4}\lambda, \dots \quad m = 1, 3, 5, \dots$

STANDING WAVES

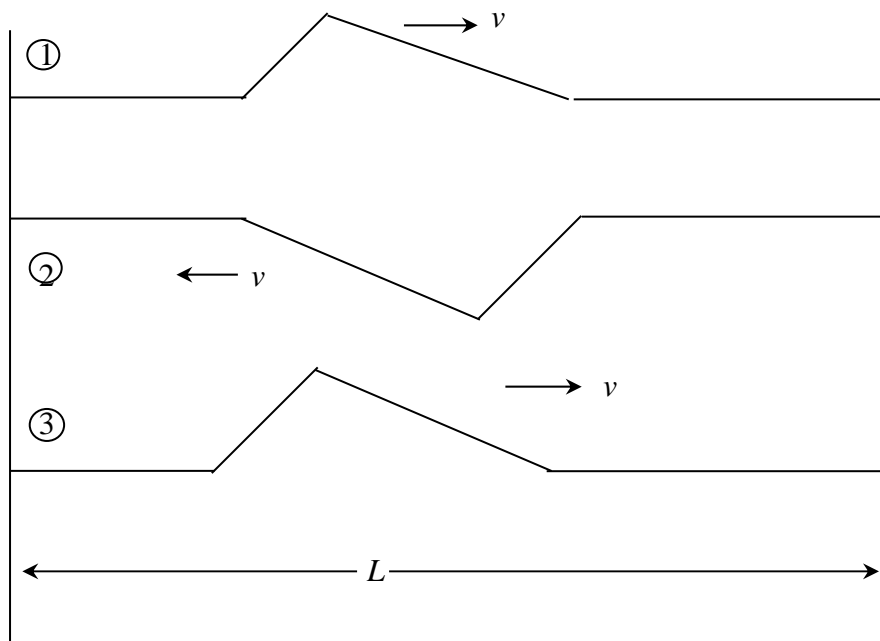
= Resonance Phenomenon

Input energy to create a “stable” configuration:

e.g. A person swinging on a swing:



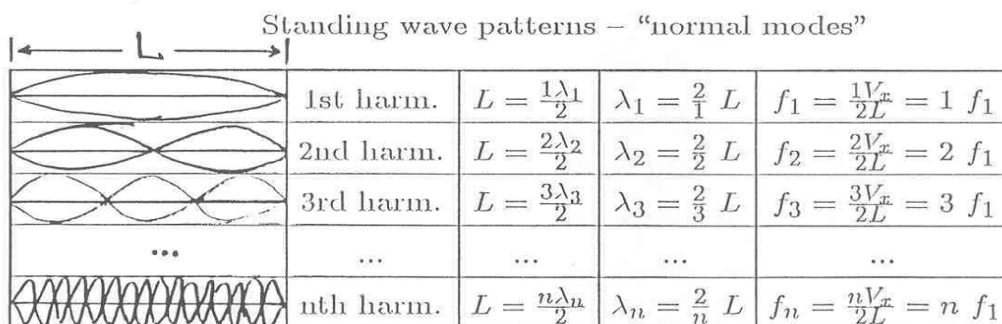
e.g. A traveling wave on a string:



Traveling wave “gets in phase” after it travels a distance $2L$ in time $\tau = 2L/v$
 \therefore "PUSH" with frequency $f \equiv 1/\tau = v/2L$ excites the fundamental!

Resonant Frequencies for Standing Waves on a String of Length, L : $f_n = v/\lambda_n$

Transverse displacement nodes $\sin(2\pi x/\lambda) = 0$ at $x = 0$ and $x = L$ (endpoints of string).



Note: 1st harmonic ($n = 1$) also known as the Fundamental

2nd harmonic ($n = 2$) also known as the 1st Overtone

3rd harmonic ($n = 3$) also known as the 2nd Overtone

etc.

$$f_n = n \frac{v}{2L} = n f_1 ; \quad f_1 = \frac{v}{2L}$$

$$\lambda_n = \frac{2L}{n} = \frac{\lambda_1}{n}; \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

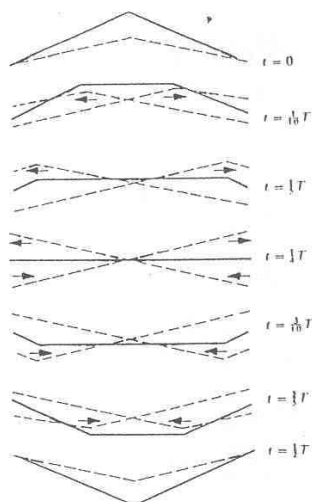


FIGURE 2.6. Time analysis of the motion of a string plucked at its midpoint through one half cycle. Motion can be thought of as due to two pulses traveling in opposite directions.

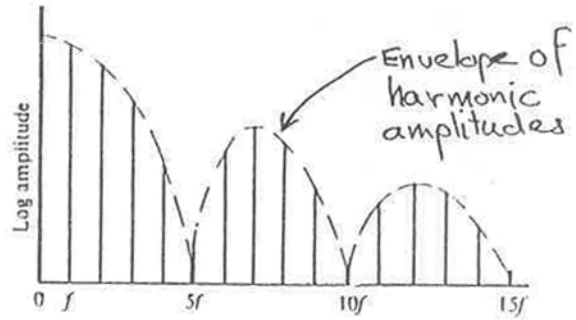


FIGURE 2.7. Spectrum of a string plucked one-fifth of the distance from one end.

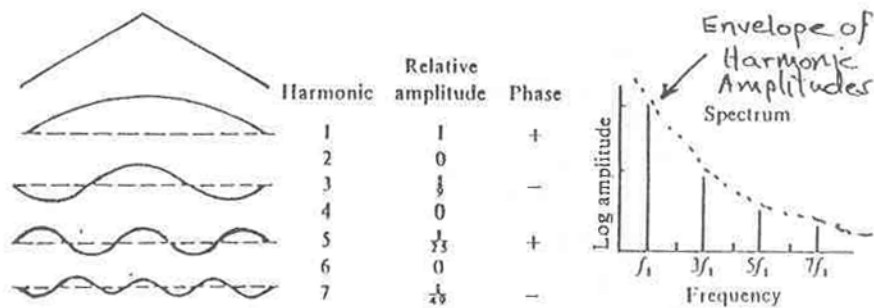


FIGURE 2.5. Frequency analysis of a string plucked at its center. Odd-numbered modes of vibration add up in appropriate amplitude and phase to give the shape of the string.

Please see/hear/touch UIUC Physics 406POM **Guitar.exe** demo – shows/demos the Fourier harmonic amplitudes associated with a guitar string plucked at arbitrary point along its length.... Reconstructs the geometrical shape of the plucked string (@ $t = 0$) from Fourier components...

PICKING/PLUCKING A GUITAR STRING

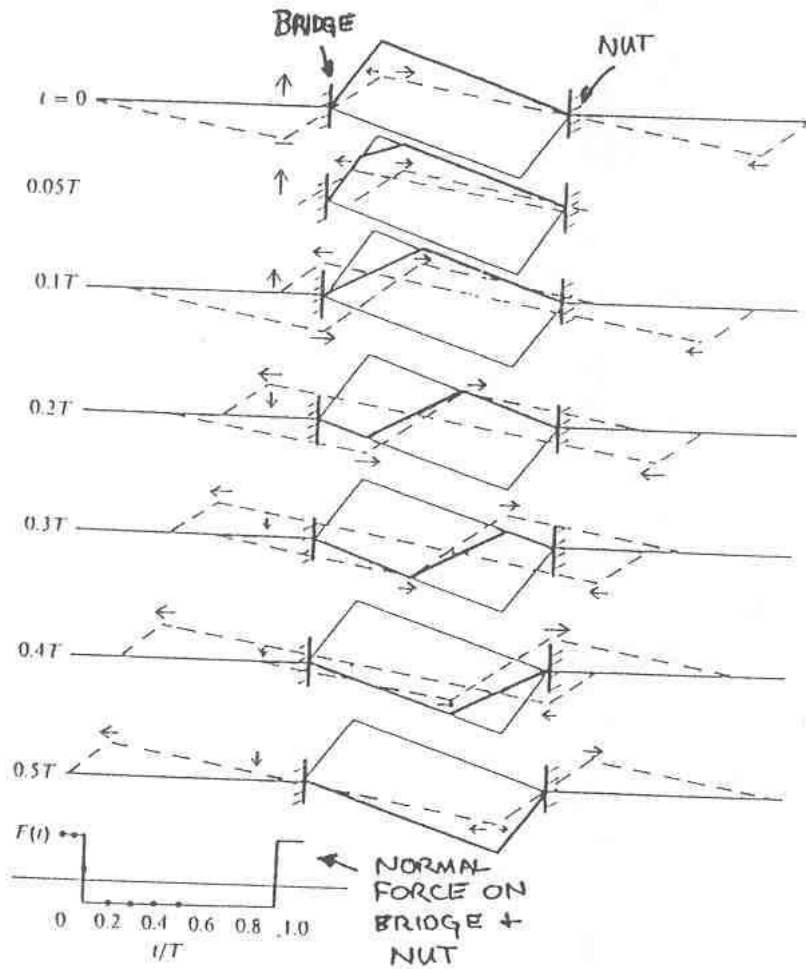


FIGURE 2.8. Time analysis through one half cycle of the motion of a string plucked one-fifth of the distance from one end. The motion can be thought of as due to two pulses [representing the two terms in Eq. (2.5)] moving in opposite directions (dashed curves). The resultant motion consists of two bends, one moving clockwise and the other counterclockwise around a parallelogram. The normal force on the end support, as a function of time, is shown at the bottom.

$$y_{string}(t, x) = y_R(vt - x) + y_L(vt + x) = \text{"standing" wave}$$

right-moving left-moving
 traveling traveling
 wave wave

Vibrating Air Columns

(Longitudinal) Standing Waves in a Pipe:

= superposition of two counter-propagating traveling waves (one right moving, one left moving)

Rarefaction and compression of air molecules = displacement of air molecules from their equilibrium positions

See UIUC Physics 406 animation of longitudinal displacement of air molecules in a pipe...

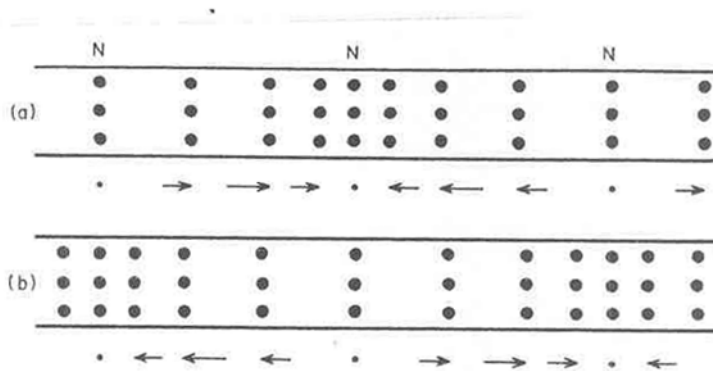


FIG. 5. Longitudinal standing wave in an air column. (a) At an instant of maximum displacement of the air molecules. (b) One-half cycle later.

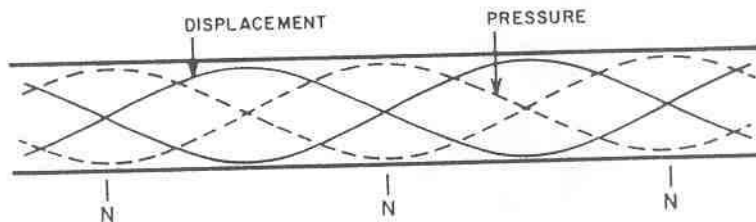


FIG. 6. Graphic representation of a longitudinal standing wave.

Three basic kinds of “organ pipes”:

- a.) Both ends *closed* (analogous to “fixed” ends on a vibrating string)
- b.) Both ends *open* (analogous to “free” ends on a vibrating string)
- c.) One end *open*, one end *closed* (analogous to one end fixed, one end free on string)

⇒ Boundary Conditions on mathematical allowed solutions to the wave equation that describes the longitudinal waves propagating in an organ pipe

a.) **Both Ends Closed:**

$$v = f_n \lambda_n$$

$$f_n = n f_1 = n \frac{v}{2L}$$

$$\lambda_n = \frac{\lambda_1}{n} = \frac{2L}{n}$$

$$n = 1, 2, 3, 4 \dots$$

$$f_1 = \frac{c}{2L}, \quad (8)$$

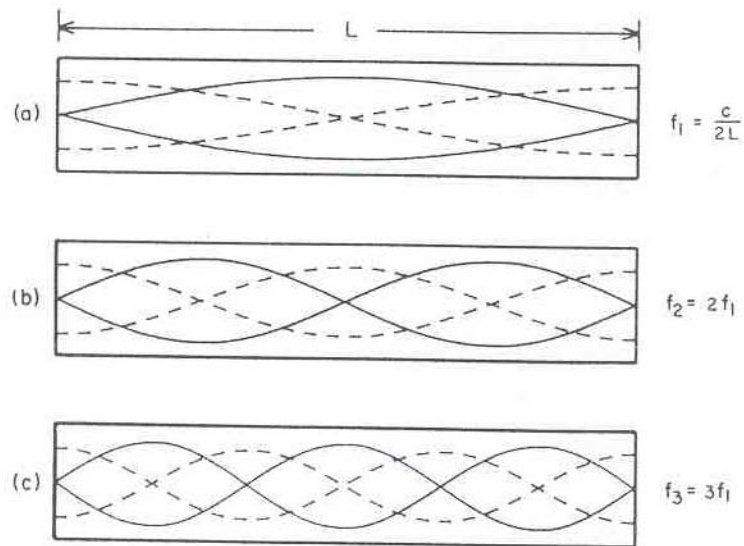


FIG. 7. First three vibration modes of an air column closed at both ends. Solid lines give displacement amplitudes; dashed lines, pressure amplitudes.

Closed Ends: \Rightarrow **Pressure *anti-nodes*** and **displacement *nodes*** at $x = 0$ and $x = L$.

b.) **Both Ends Open:**

$$v = f_n \lambda_n$$

$$f_n = n f_1 = n \frac{v}{2L}$$

$$\lambda_n = \frac{\lambda_1}{n} = \frac{2L}{n}$$

$$n = 1, 2, 3, 4 \dots$$

Open Ends: \Rightarrow **Pressure *nodes*** and **displacement *anti-nodes*** at $x = 0$ and $x = L$.

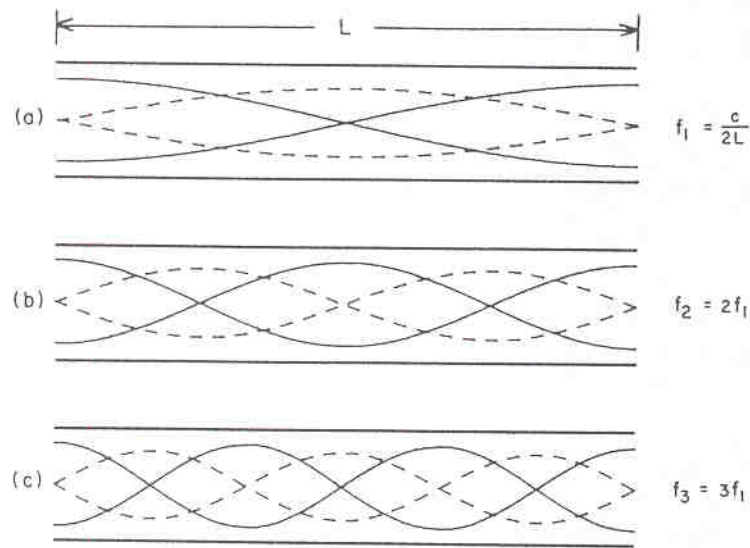


FIG. 8. First three vibration modes of an air column open at both ends. Solid lines give displacement amplitudes; dashed lines, pressure amplitudes.

c.) **One End Open, One End Closed:**

$$v = f_m \lambda_m$$

$$f_m = m f_1 = m \frac{v}{4L}$$

$$\lambda_m = \frac{\lambda_1}{m} = \frac{4L}{m}$$

$$m = 1, 3, 5, 7 \dots$$

n.b. Only **odd**- m integers allowed!

Closed End: \Rightarrow **Displacement node & pressure anti-node** at $x = 0$.

Open End: \Rightarrow **Displacement anti-node & pressure node** at $x = L$.

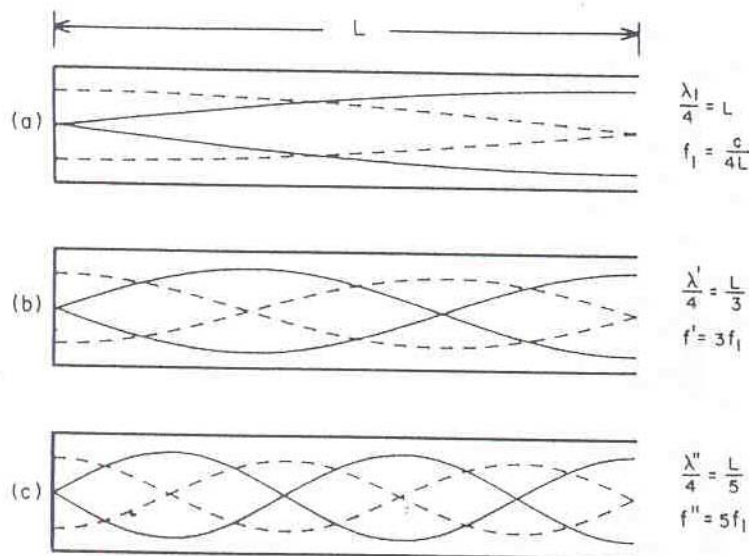


FIG. 9. First three vibration modes of an air column closed at one end and open at the other. Solid lines give displacement amplitudes; dashed lines, pressure amplitudes.

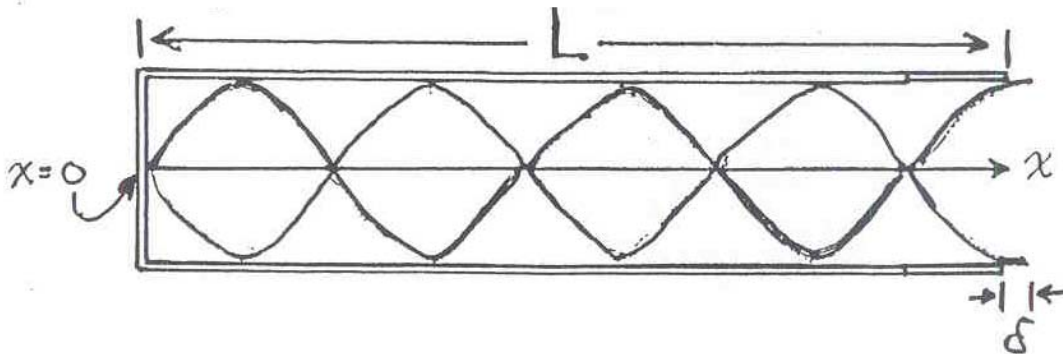
Normal Modes & Standing Waves

1.) Standing Sound Waves in an Organ Pipe:

(a) Standing displacement wave:

$$y = A \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{\lambda}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi t}{\tau}\right) \quad (\text{Standing Wave})$$

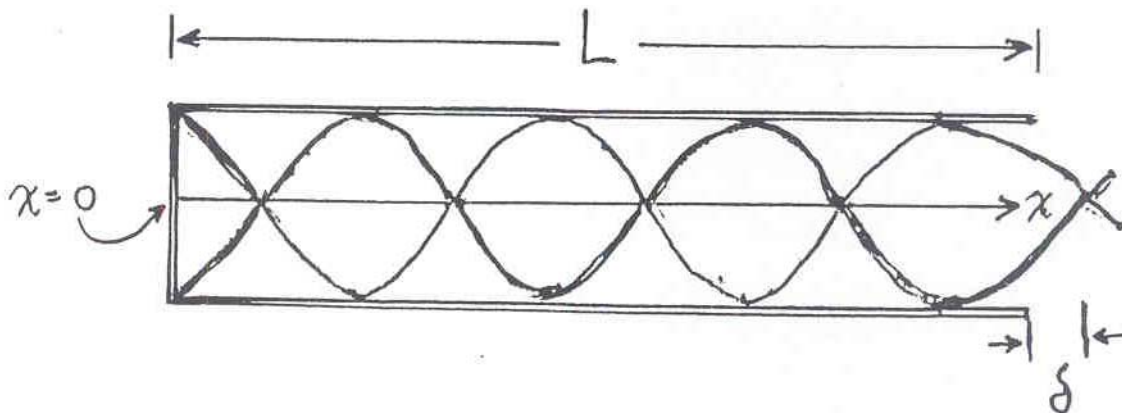
- Displacement **node** at $x = 0$



(b) Standing pressure wave:

$$\Delta P = -B \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = -B A \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \sin(2\pi x/\lambda) \right\} \cos\left(\frac{2\pi t}{\tau}\right) = -\frac{2\pi B A}{\lambda} \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{\lambda}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi t}{\tau}\right)$$

- Explains why **displacement nodes** are **pressure anti-nodes**!



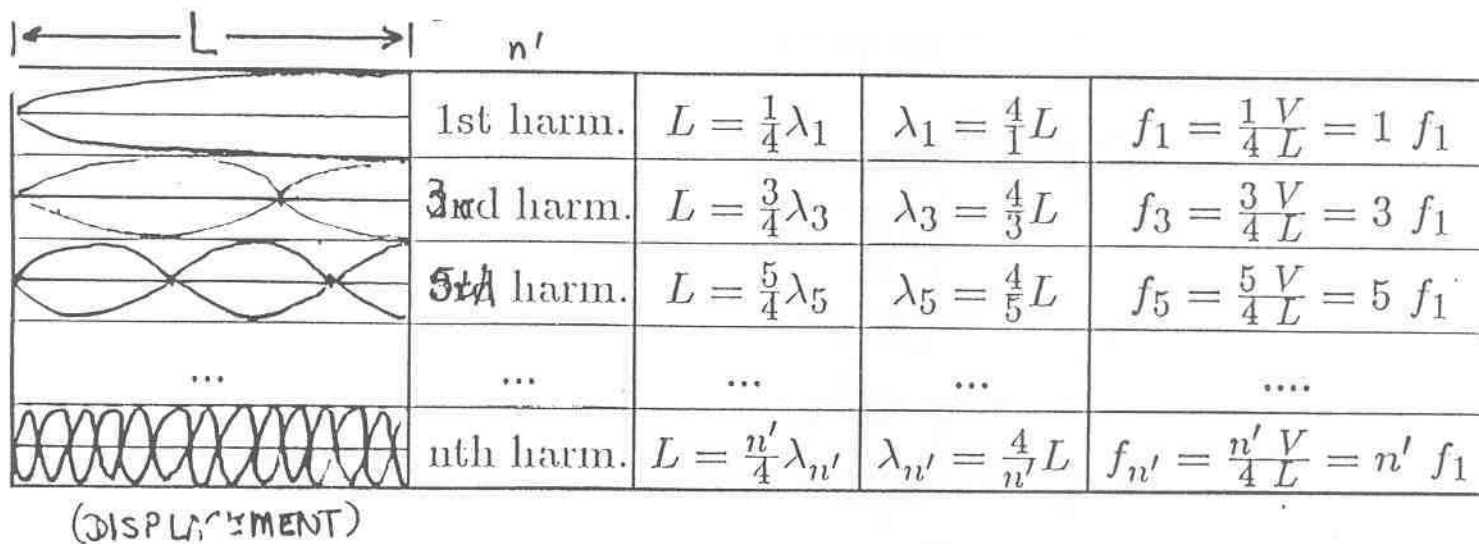
(c) Pressure **node** ($p = p_{\text{ambient}}$) just **beyond** open end $x = L + \delta \leftarrow$ not precisely at $x = L$!

- so-called “end correction” $\delta \approx 0.6D$, where D = diameter of pipe.

2.) Standing Sound Waves in Closed-Open Organ Pipes:

Closed End: \Rightarrow Displacement node & pressure anti-node at $x = 0$.

Open End: \Rightarrow Displacement anti-node & pressure node at $x = L$.



$$f_{n'} = \frac{v}{\lambda_{n'}} = n'f_1; \quad f_1 = \frac{v}{4L}$$

where: $n' = 2n - 1$, $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ so $n' = 1, 3, 5, \dots$ (i.e. the odd integers)

- First harmonic also known as the fundamental.
- Second harmonic also known as the first overtone, *etc.*
- Replace L by $L + \delta$ for “exact” answer

3.) Standing Waves in Open-Open (and Closed-Closed) Organ Pipes:

Open Ends: \Rightarrow Pressure nodes and displacement anti-nodes at $x = 0$ and $x = L$.

Closed Ends: \Rightarrow Pressure anti-nodes and displacement nodes at $x = 0$ and $x = L$.

	n			
1st harm.	$L = \frac{1}{2}\lambda_1$	$\lambda_1 = \frac{2}{1}L$	$f_1 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{V}{L} = 1 f_1$	
2nd harm.	$L = \frac{2}{2}\lambda_2$	$\lambda_2 = \frac{2}{2}L$	$f_2 = \frac{2}{2} \frac{V}{L} = 2 f_1$	
3rd harm.	$L = \frac{3}{2}\lambda_3$	$\lambda_3 = \frac{2}{3}L$	$f_3 = \frac{3}{2} \frac{V}{L} = 3 f_1$	
...	
nth harm.	$L = \frac{n}{2}\lambda_n$	$\lambda_n = \frac{2}{n}L$	$f_n = \frac{n}{2} \frac{V}{L} = n f_1$	

(*n.b.* open-open standing wave modes drawn)

$$f_n = \frac{v}{\lambda_n} = n f_1; \quad f_1 = \frac{v}{2L}; \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

- First harmonic also known as the fundamental
- Second harmonic also known as the first overtone, *etc.*
- Replace L by $L + 2 \delta$ for “exact” answer.
- Note: Since $v_{\text{helium}} \gg v_{\text{air}}$, $f_1(\text{helium}) > f_1(\text{air})$

Conical-Shaped Air Columns

Some wind instruments - e.g. whistles, recorders, flutes, oboe, bagpipes (chanter) have **conical-shaped** air columns: \approx more complicated organ pipes – one end open; one end closed...

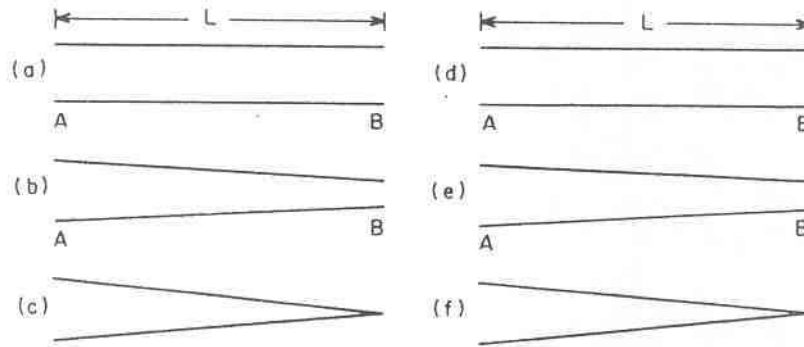


FIG. 10. (a), (b), (c) Going from an open tube to a cone. (d), (e), (f) Going from a closed tube to the same cone.

$$v = f_n \lambda_n$$

$$f_n = n f_1$$

$$\lambda_n = \frac{\lambda_1}{n} = \frac{2L}{n}$$

$$n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

A **complete** cone has the **same** mode vibration frequencies as that for an **open-open** tube of the **same** length – the **tip** of the cone reflects like the **open** end of a tube!!

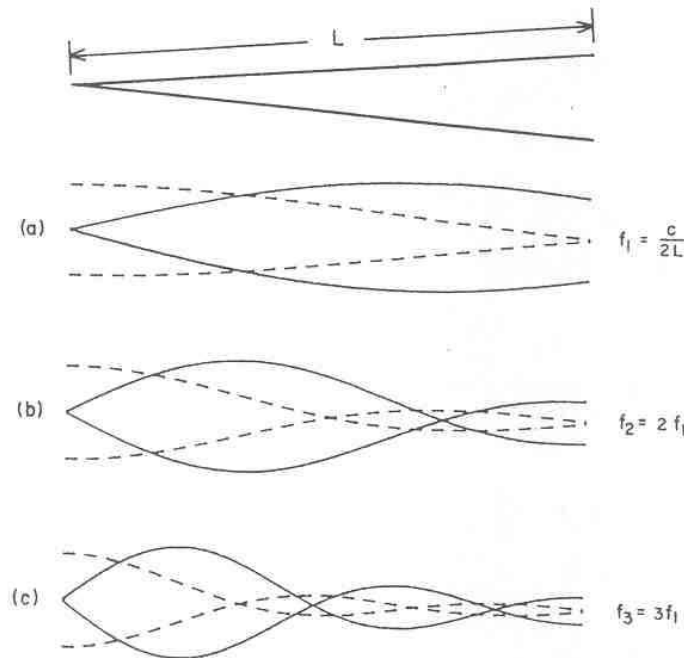


FIG. 11. First three vibration modes of a complete cone.

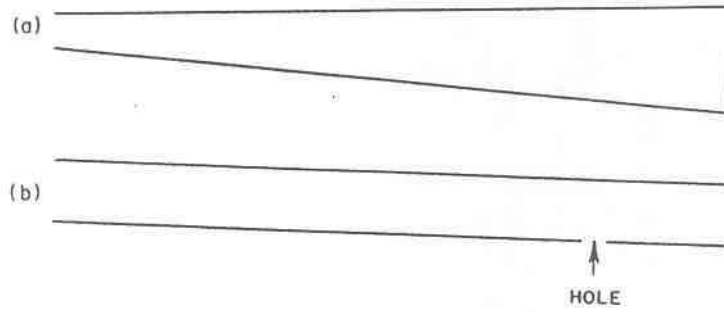


FIG. 12. Distorted air columns.

The Tuning Fork: Vibrations of a metal bar clamped @ one end (math not simple..):

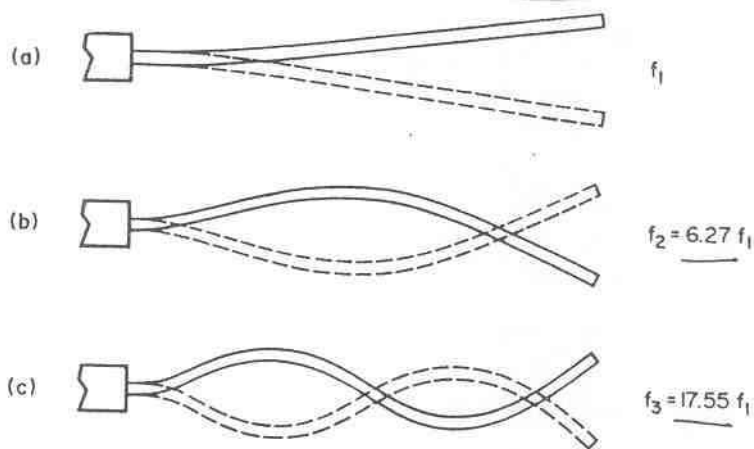


FIG. 13. First three transverse vibration modes of a metal bar clamped at one end.

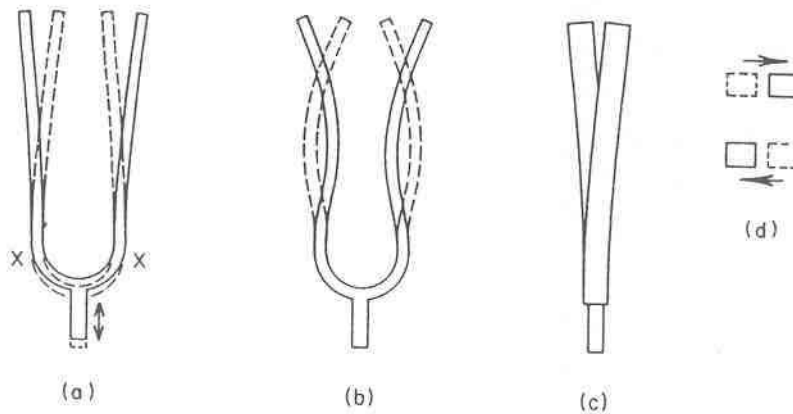


FIG. 14. Vibrations of a tuning fork. (a) Normal vibration. (b) Clang tone. (c) Another mode of vibration. (d) End view of this mode.

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