

# PHYS 536

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## Session 6

Waves in membranes and sheets;

Acoustic wave equation;


speed of sound;

Harmonic plane waves

1/19/2023

# Course syllabus and schedule – first part...

See : <http://courses.washington.edu/phys536/syllabus.htm>

Session	date	Day	Readings:	K=Kinsler, H=Heller	Topic
1	3-Jan	Tue	K ch. 1	H: Ch. 1, 2	Course intro, acoustics topics, overview of wave properties; pulses, transverse and longitudinal waves, overview of sound speeds
2	5-Jan	Thu	K ch. 1	H: Ch. 9, 10	harmonic oscillators: simple, damped, driven; complex exponential solutions, electrical circuit analogy, resonance, Q factor
3	10-Jan	Tue	K ch. 1	H: Ch. 3	Fourier methods: Fourier series, integrals, Fourier transforms, discrete FTs, sampling and aliasing
4	12-Jan	Thu	K. chs 10	H: Ch. 4, 11	Frequencies and aliasing; convolution and correlation; discrete convolution; digital filtering, optimal filters, FIR filters, noise spectra; power spectra. <b>REPORT 1 PROPOSED TOPIC DUE</b>
5	17-Jan	Tue	K. ch. 2, 3, 4	H: Ch. 13, 15	waves in strings, bars and membranes; Acoustic wave equation; speed of sound; Harmonic plane waves, intensity, impedance.
6	19-Jan	Thu	K. Ch. 5, 6	H: Ch. 1	Spherical waves; transmission and reflection at interface 
7	24-Jan	Tue	K. Ch. 8	H: Ch. 7	Radiation from small sources; Baffled simple source, piston radiation, pulsating sphere;
8	26-Jan	Thu	K: Ch. 10	H: Chs. 13-15	Near field, far field; Radiation impedance; resonators, filters
9	31-Jan	Tue	K. Ch. 9-10	H: Chs. 16-19	Musical instruments: wind, string, percussion
10	2-Feb	Thu	K. Ch 14		Transducers for use in air: Microphones and loudspeakers
11	7-Feb	Tue	K. Ch 11	H: Chs. 21-22	The ear, hearing and detection
12	9-Feb	Thu	K. Chs 5,11		Decibels, sound level, dB examples, acoustic intensity; noise, detection thresholds. <b>REPORT 1 PAPER DUE by 7 PM; REPORT 2 PROPOSED TOPIC DUE</b>

## ...2<sup>nd</sup> part of class schedule

Session	date	Day	Readings:	K=Kinsler, H=Heller	Topic
13	14-Feb	Tue	K. Ch. 12	H: Ch. 28	Environmental acoustics and noise criteria; industrial and community noise regulations
14	16-Feb	Thu	K. Ch. 15		Underwater acoustics; sound speed in seawater; undersea sound propagation.
15	21-Feb	Tue	K. Ch. 15		Sonar equations, undersea noise; transducers for use in water (hydrophones and pingers), sonar and positioning systems
16	23-Feb	Thu	Notes		Applications: acoustical positioning, seafloor imaging, sub-bottom profiling;
17	28-Feb	Tue			Course wrapup. Student report 2 presentations
18	2-Mar	Thu			Student report 2 presentations
19	7-Mar	Tue			Student report 2 presentations
20	9-Mar	Thu			Student report 2 presentations. <b>TAKE-HOME FINAL EXAM ISSUED</b>
--	17-Mar	Fri			<b>FINAL EXAM ANSWERS DUE by 5 PM</b>

Class is over after you turn in your take-home exam. No in-person final exam during finals week.

# Announcements

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- Problem set 1 solutions will be posted on Feb 7 – try them before then ...
  - As mentioned, prob 11 as originally posted was not covered in class (too complicated) so you can replace it with:  
11. A steel bar of cross section  $0.0001\text{m}^2$  and  $0.25\text{m}$  length is clamped at both ends. a) what is its fundamental frequency for longitudinal vibrations?  
b) what is the fundamental frequency for the same bar but free at both ends?
- You can access most scientific journals, many popular journals, and books online via the UW library – no need to be on campus
  - See <http://www.lib.washington.edu/help/connect>
  - See also <http://www.lib.washington.edu/help/connect/husky-onnet> for how to VPN onto campus network

## From last time Transverse vibrations of a bar

- Net force on a small segment  $dx$  (negative = downward)

$$dF_y = F_y(x) - F_y(x + dx) = -\frac{\partial F_y}{\partial x} dx = -YS\kappa^2 \left( \frac{\partial^4 y}{\partial x^4} \right) dx$$

$$F = ma \rightarrow -YS\kappa^2 \left( \frac{\partial^4 y}{\partial x^4} \right) dx = \rho S dx \left( \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} \right) \rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = -\kappa^2 c^2 \left( \frac{\partial^4 y}{\partial x^4} \right), \quad c = \sqrt{Y / \rho}$$

$$y(x, t) = \Psi(x) e^{i\omega t} \rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial t^2} \omega^2 e^{i\omega t} = \kappa^2 c^2 \left( \frac{\partial^4 \Psi}{\partial x^4} \right) e^{i\omega t} \rightarrow \frac{\partial^4 \Psi}{\partial x^4} = \frac{\omega^2}{\kappa^2 c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial t^2}$$

$$v = \sqrt{\omega \kappa c} \rightarrow \frac{\partial^4 \Psi}{\partial x^4} = \frac{\omega^4}{v^4} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial t^2}; \quad \text{try } \Psi(x) = Ae^{\gamma x} \rightarrow \gamma^4 = \frac{\omega^4}{v^4} \rightarrow \gamma = \pm \frac{\omega}{v} \text{ or } \pm i \frac{\omega}{v}$$

$$\Psi(x) = Ae^{(\omega/v)x} + Be^{-(\omega/v)x} + Ce^{i(\omega/v)x} + De^{-i(\omega/v)x}$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Re } y = \text{Re}(\Psi e^{i\omega t}) = \cos(\omega t + \phi) [A \cosh(\omega x / v) + B \sinh(\omega x / v) + C \cos(\omega x / v) + D \sin(\omega x / v)]$$

- Notice nothing here is wave motion **at speed  $c$**
- Wave moves to the right with speed  $v$  (**phase velocity**)
- But  $v$  **is frequency dependent**:  $v = \sqrt{\omega \kappa c}$  Higher frequency  $\rightarrow$  higher  $v$ 
  - Bar is a **dispersive medium** for transverse vibrations – different frequencies present spread out spatially, altering wave shape

## Transverse vibrations of a bar

- Example: bar clamped on one end ( $x=0$ ), free on the other ( $L$ )

Fixed end:  $y = 0$ , and  $\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = 0$

Free end:  $M = 0 \rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = 0$ , and  $F = 0 \rightarrow \frac{\partial^3 y}{\partial x^3} = 0$

Applying these at  $x = 0$  and  $x = L$  respectively, we get (skipping many steps!):

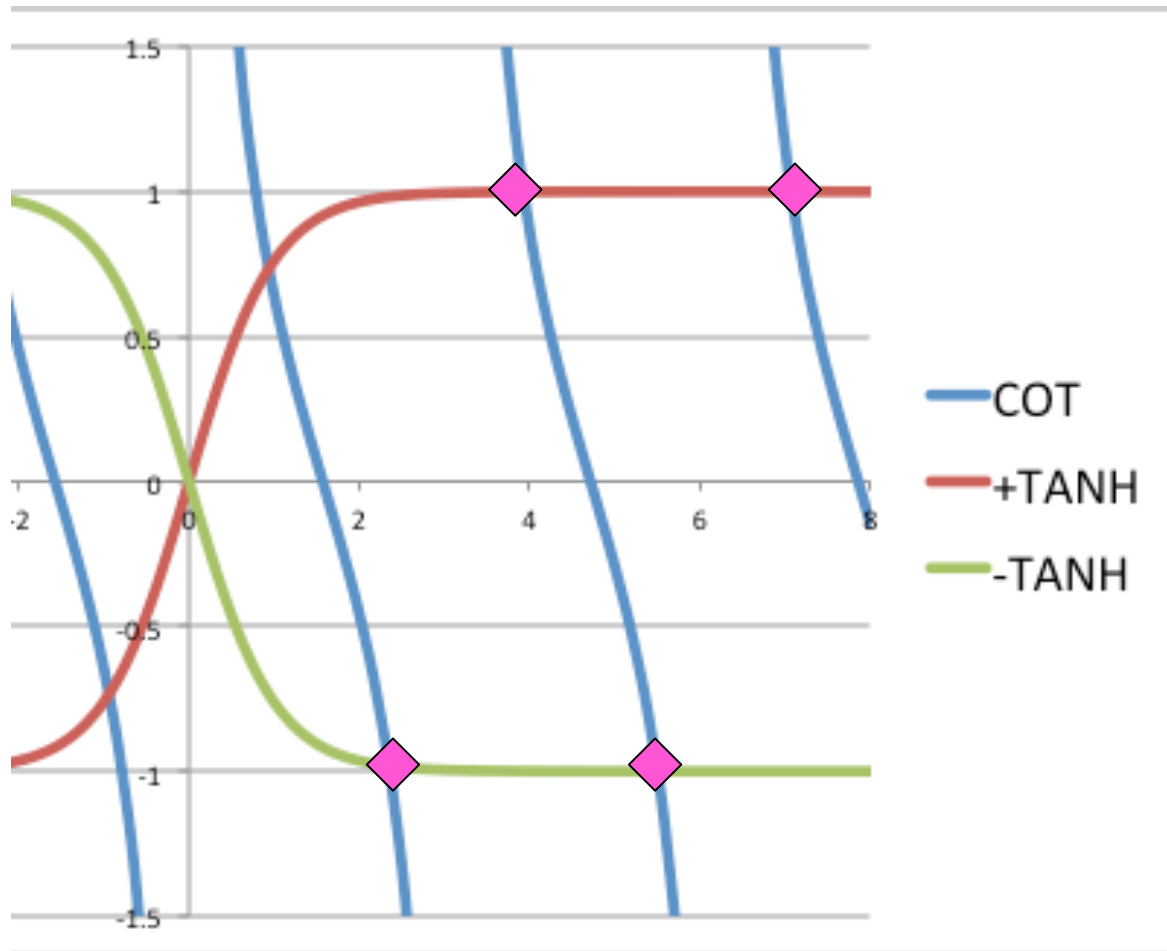
$\cot(\omega L / 2v) = \pm \tanh(\omega L / 2v)$ ; Solve graphically  $\rightarrow \omega L / 2v \approx (2n - 1)\pi / 4$

Put in  $v = \sqrt{\omega \kappa c}$ ,  $f_n = \omega / 2\pi \rightarrow f_n = \frac{\pi \kappa c}{8L^2} (1.19^2, 3^2, 5^2 \dots)$  (except for  $n=1$ )

- For Al bar 1 m long, with circular cross section 0.01 m radius, we get  
 $c_{\text{AL-VIB}} = \text{sqrt}(Y/\rho) = 5055 \text{ m/s}$ ,  $\kappa = r/2 = 0.005$ ,  $\rightarrow f_1 = 1509 \text{ Hz}$ ,  $v_1 = 490 \text{ m/s}$
- Notice overtones are **not harmonics** (integer multiples) of  $f_1$

<i>Frequency</i>	<i>Phase Speed</i>	<i>Wavelength (cm)</i>	<i>Nodal Positions (cm from clamped end)</i>
$f_1$	$v_1$	335.0	0
$6.267f_1$	$2.50v_1$	133.4	0, 78.3
$17.55f_1$	$4.18v_1$	80.0	0, 50.4, 86.8
$34.39f_1$	$5.87v_1$	57.2	0, 35.8, 64.4, 90.6

# Graphical solutions for $\cot(x)=\tanh(x)$



$n$	$\frac{2(n-1)\pi}{4} = \omega L/2v$
2	2.36
3	3.93
4	5.50
5	7.07

# Vibrations in strings and bars: summary

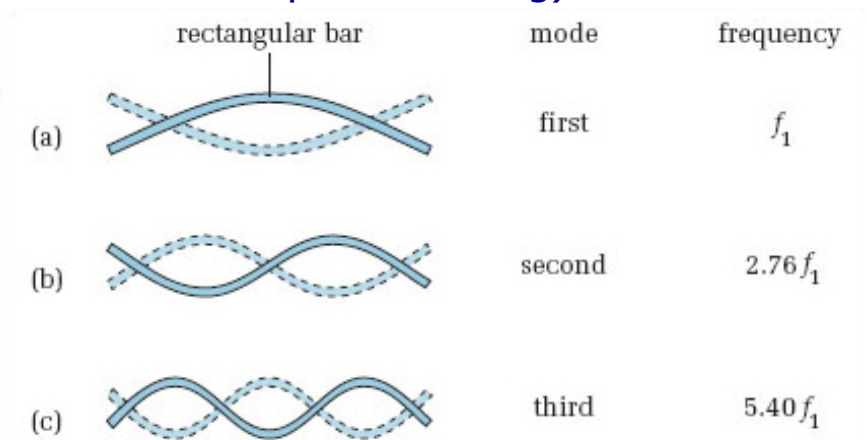
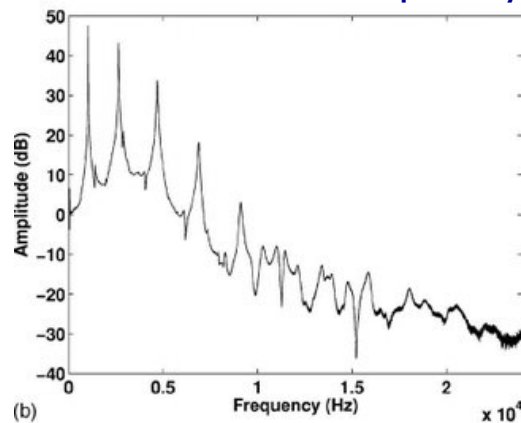
- **Transverse vibration** frequency for fixed-end strings:  $f_n = \frac{nc}{2L}$ ,  
n = 1,2,3...
- **Longitudinal vibration** of fixed- or free-end bar  $c = \sqrt{T / \rho_L}$

$$f_n = \frac{nc}{2L}, \quad c = \sqrt{Y / \rho}$$

- **Transverse vibration** frequency for fixed-end bar

$$f_n = \frac{\pi \kappa c}{8L^2} (1.19^2, 3^2, 5^2 \dots), \quad \text{with } \kappa = \text{radius of gyration, speed } v = \sqrt{\omega \kappa c}$$

- Not harmonics!
- Example: xylophone bar (not uniform bar – shaped for tuning)



x 10<sup>4</sup>



# Waves in membranes and sheets

- Use the same approach, but now in 2D:  $y(x) \rightarrow y(x,z)$ 
  - Define equations of motion in terms of forces, material density, etc
  - Insert general solution  $y(x,z, t) = \Psi(x,z) \exp(i\omega t)$
  - Apply boundary conditions: fixed, free, or mixed
- **Equations of motion**
  - use Laplacian scalar differential operator:

For rectangular sheets,  $\nabla^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}$ ;

For circular sheets,  $\nabla^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2}$ , with  $x = r \cos \theta$  and  $z = r \sin \theta$

## Solutions:

For rectangular sheets,  $y(x,z,t) = \Psi(x,z)e^{i\omega t}$

Spatial part of equations of motion  $\rightarrow \nabla^2 \Psi + k^2 \Psi = 0$   $k^2 = \omega^2 / c^2 = \omega^2 \left( \frac{\rho}{T} \right)$

This is the time-independent wave (Helmholtz) equation

Assume  $\Psi$  is factorizable into independent 1D functions,  $\Psi(x,z) = X(x)Z(z)$

Results:  $k^2 = k_x^2 + k_z^2$  and  $\Psi(x,z) = A \sin(k_x x + \phi_x) \sin(k_z z + \phi_z)$

## Free vibrations in membranes with fixed edges

- For **rectangular sheet with clamped edges**, boundary conditions give normal modes of vibration with

$$k_x = \frac{n\pi}{L_x}, \quad k_z = \frac{m\pi}{L_z}, \quad n, m = 1, 2, 3, \dots \quad \rightarrow \quad f_{nm} = \omega_{nm} / 2\pi = \frac{c}{2} \sqrt{\left(\frac{n}{L_x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m}{L_z}\right)^2}$$

- For **circular sheet with clamped edges**, similar solution (but in  $r, \theta$  coordinates) plus boundary conditions give results:

$$\text{Separation of variables } y(r, \theta) = R(r)\Theta(\theta) \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{r^2}{R} \left( \frac{\partial^2 R}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial R}{\partial r} \right) + k^2 r^2 = -\frac{1}{\Theta} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \Theta}{\partial \theta^2} \right)$$

two sides have different variables - cannot be equal unless both = constant:  $m^2$

$$\left( \frac{\partial^2 \Theta}{\partial \theta^2} \right) = -m^2 \Theta \quad \rightarrow \quad \Theta(\theta) = \cos(m\theta + \phi), \quad (\phi = \text{initial phase})$$

unlike  $r$ ,  $\theta$  is periodic:  $\theta + 2n\pi = \theta$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots \rightarrow$  can only have  $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

$$R(r) \text{ equation of motion } \rightarrow \left( \frac{\partial^2 R}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial R}{\partial r} \right) + \left( k^2 - \frac{m^2}{r^2} \right) R = 0, \quad m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

- This is the **Bessel equation**: solutions are Bessel functions

## Free vibrations in circular sheets with fixed edges

- General solution for circular sheet of radius  $r = a$  is

$$R(r) = AJ_m(kr) + BY_m(kr), \quad k = \omega / c, \quad m = 1, 2, 3 \dots$$

$J_m(kr), Y_m(kr) =$  Bessel functions of 1st and 2nd kind, respectively

Need  $R(r)$  finite at  $r = 0$ , so must have  $B = 0 \rightarrow R(r) = AJ_m(kr)$

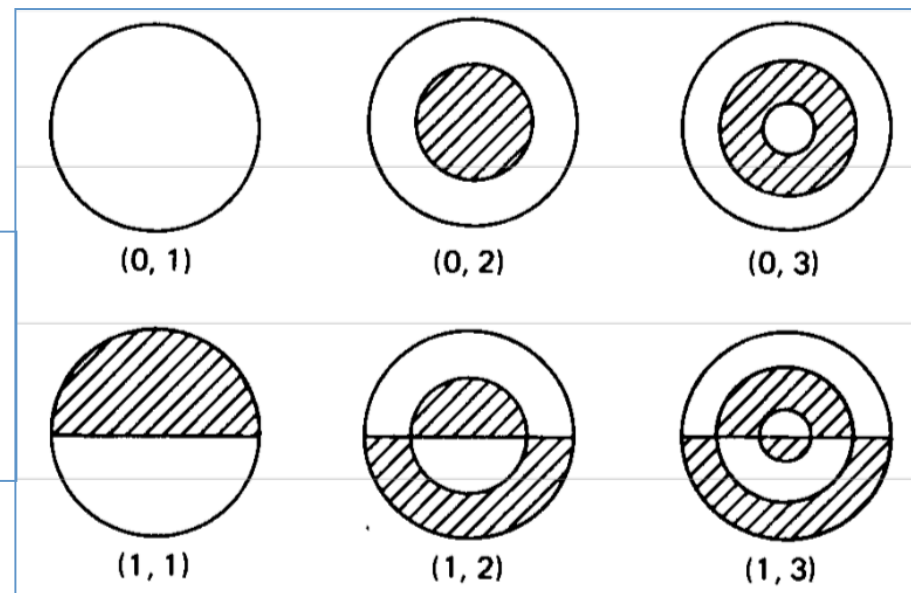
Boundary condition  $R(r) = 0$  at  $r = a \rightarrow J_m(k_{mn}a) = 0$

$$y(r, \theta, t) = A_{mn} J_m(k_{mn}r) \cos(m\theta + \phi_{mn}) e^{i\omega_{mn}t}$$

Let  $j_{mn} =$  values of  $kr$  where  $J_m(j_{mn}) = 0$  then  $k_{mn} = j_{mn} / a$

$$\rightarrow f_{nm} = \omega_{nm} / 2\pi = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{j_{mn}}{a}$$

Normal modes  $(m,n)$  of fixed-rim circular membrane: Shaded areas are 180 deg out of phase with clear areas, separated by nodal lines



# Bessel functions

- ... Arise in problems with cylindrical symmetry ("cylindrical harmonics")
- $J_\alpha(\rho) =$  *Bessel function of the 1st kind, order  $\alpha$*

For integer or any positive  $\alpha$ ,  $J_\alpha(x)$  are finite at the origin ( $x = 0$ ).

For negative non-integer  $\alpha$ , they diverge at  $x = 0$ .

Power-series representation: 
$$J_\alpha(x) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^m}{m! \Gamma(m + \alpha + 1)} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{2m + \alpha},$$

where  $\Gamma(z) =$  gamma function (generalization of factorial)

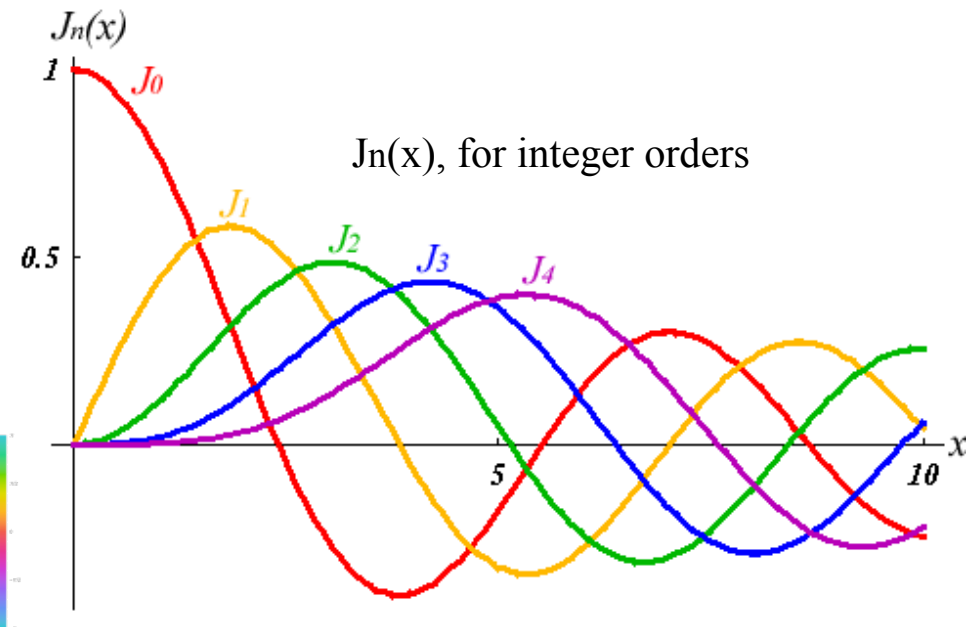
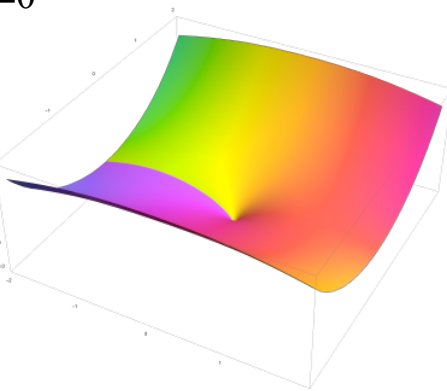
For integer  $\alpha = n$ ,

$$J_{-n}(x) = (-1)^n J_n(x).$$

And an integral representation exists:

$$J_n(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\tau=0}^{\pi} \exp[i(n\tau - x \sin(\tau))] d\tau$$

$J_n(z)$  for  $n = 0.5$  in the complex plane from  $-2-2i$  to  $2+2i$



# Bessel functions

- $Y_\alpha(\rho) =$  *Bessel function of the 2nd kind, order  $\alpha$*

have a **singularity at  $x = 0$**

For non-integer  $\alpha$ ,  $Y_\alpha(x)$  is connected with  $J_\alpha(x)$  by

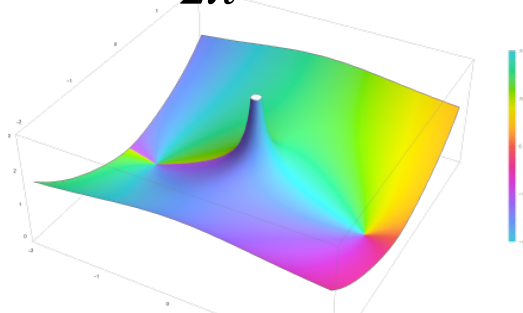
$$Y_\alpha(x) = \frac{J_\alpha(x) \cos(\alpha\pi) - J_{-\alpha}(x)}{\sin(\alpha\pi)}.$$

For integer order  $\alpha = n$ ,  $Y_\alpha(x)$  is defined by the limit as non-integer  $\alpha \rightarrow n$ :

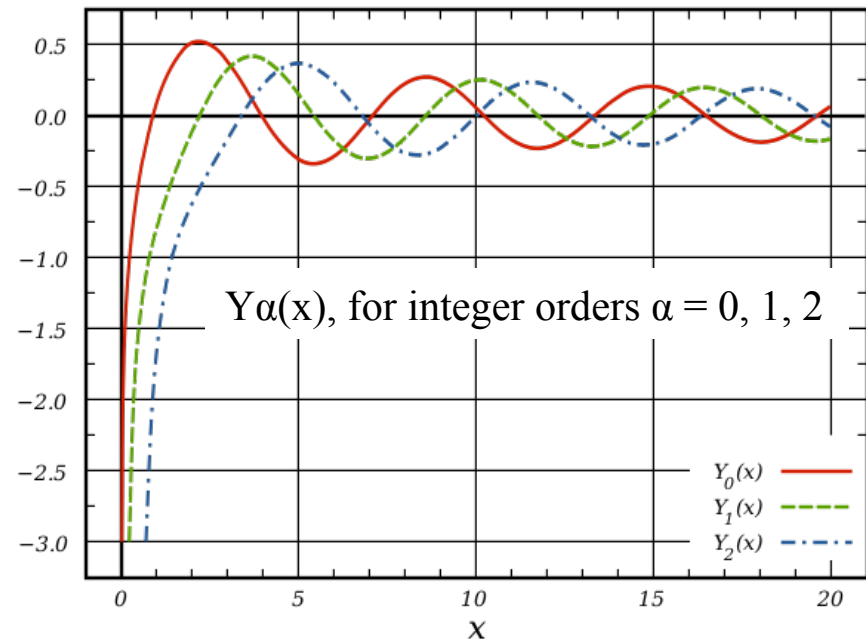
$$Y_n(x) = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow n} Y_\alpha(x). \quad \text{and} \quad Y_{-n}(x) = (-1)^n Y_n(x).$$

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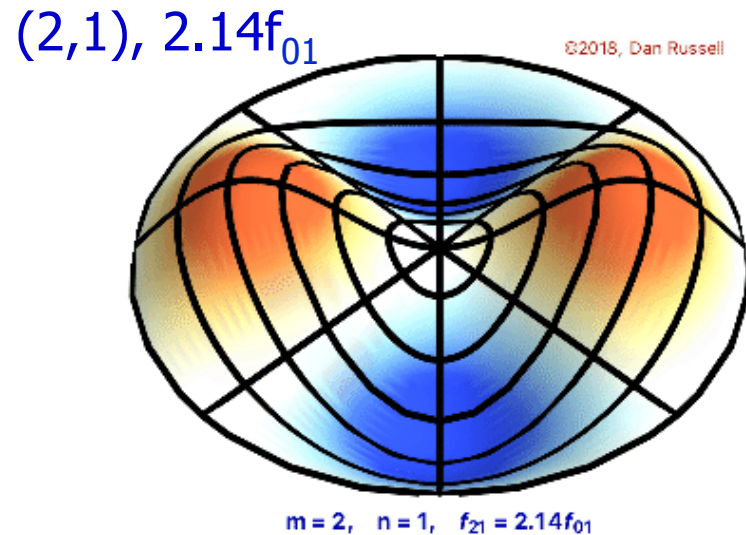
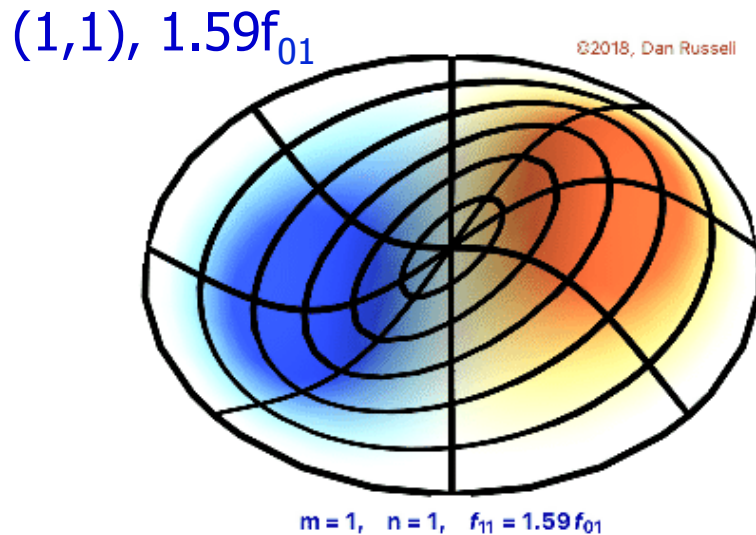
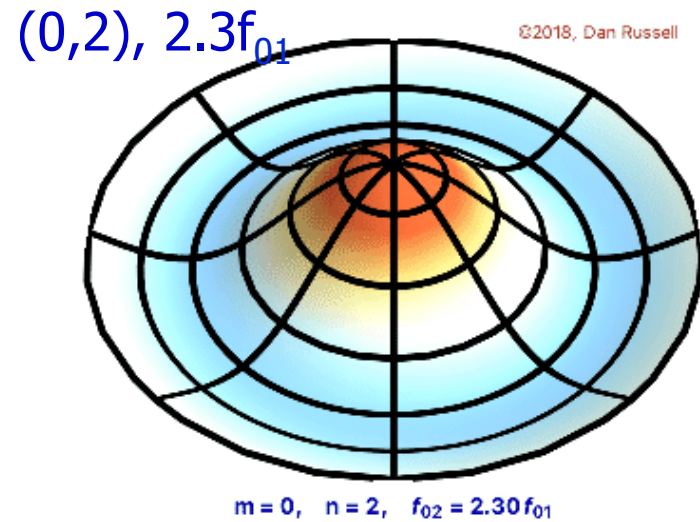
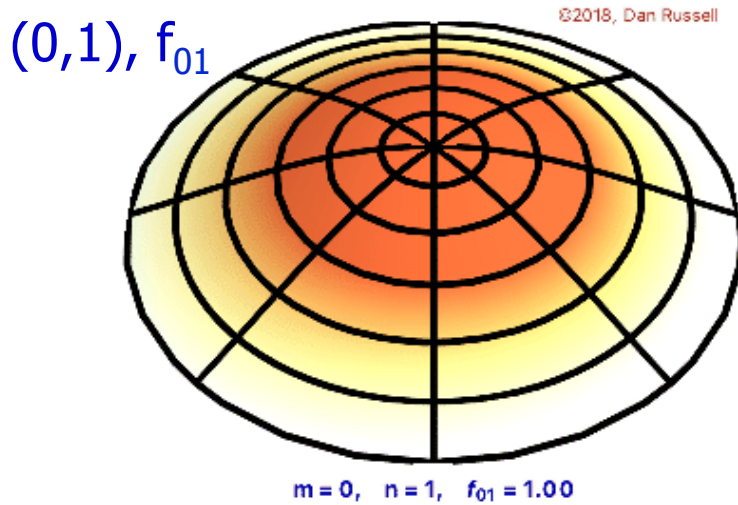


$Y_n(z)$  with  $n = 0.5$  in the complex plane  
from  $-2-2i$  to  $2+2i$



# Free vibrations in circular sheets with fixed edges

- Examples of motion of first few normal modes  $(m,n)$  and corresponding frequencies  
 $m$ =number of diameter nodes  
 $n$ =number of circular nodes



# Fundamental mode (0,1) of a drum

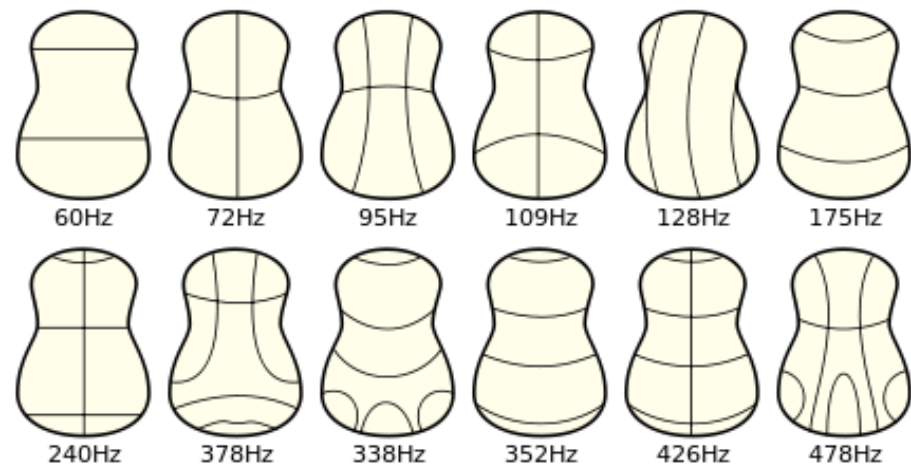
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- (0,1) mode of a drum, such as a tympani, is excited when the drumhead (membrane) is struck at the center.
  - In (0,1) mode, membrane acts like a monopole source, and radiates energy very efficiently.
  - The membrane quickly transfers its vibrational energy into radiated sound
  - The short duration (typically  $\sim$  fraction of a second) means this mode does not contribute greatly to the musical tone quality of a drum - a "thump" which decays quickly, with no definite pitch.
- When struck somewhere between the center and outer edge, the (1,1) mode is excited.
  - This mode takes longer to decay and drum "rings" for a while
  - Sound has a definite pitch which lingers for a several seconds. This mode is what we hear as the "**principal tone**" of the timpano. only five or six of
- **Preferred modes** that mainly contribute to the sound spectrum and give the tympani its pitch are in the lower diametric modes (1,1), (2,1), (3,1), (4,1), (5,1).
- <https://youtu.be/UYCC8xvTBck> preferred modes 1—6
- Applet to demonstrate combining modes of circular membrane  
<http://www.falstad.com/circosc/fullscreen.html>



# Chladni plates

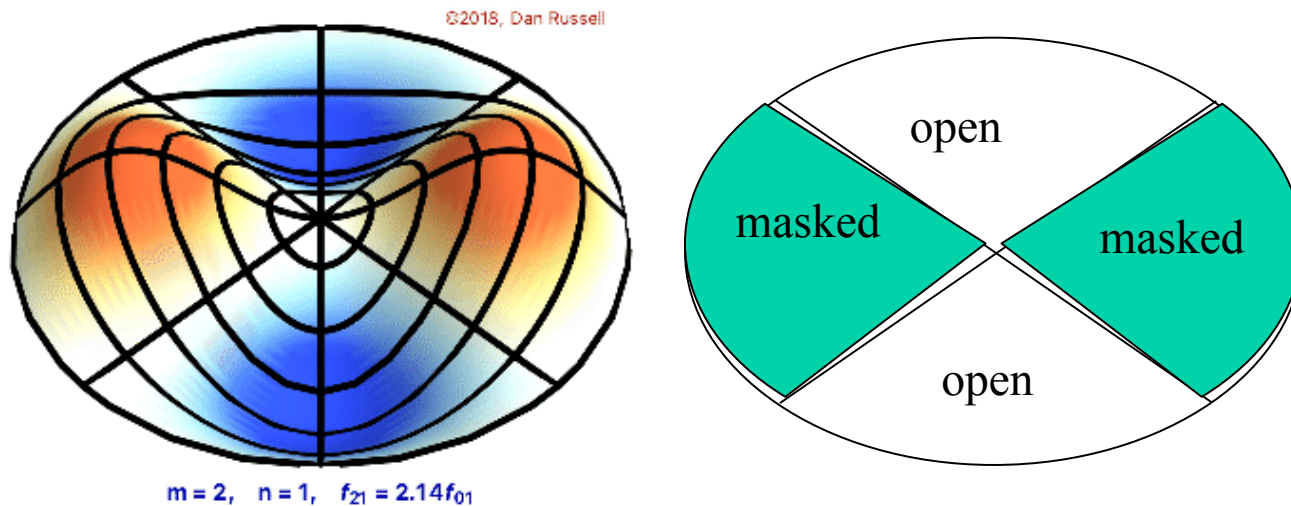
- Chladni (c. 1790--1800) showed nodal lines by putting sand on vibrating membranes and plates
  - Sand accumulates where  $u_y=0$  (nodes)  
(Robert Hooke first did this with flour in 1680)
  - Napoleon was fascinated – supported his research
  - Public was fascinated – charlatans sold “vibration science” cures
  - Application: testing design of guitar backs and violin plates





# Chladni plates as sound sources

- Speed of vibration in Chladni plate is slower than speed of sound in air
- Sound emitted by segment reaches opposite phase segment quickly
  - Cancellation due to phase difference – sound emitted is diminished
  - Place a mask over one phase's segments to baffle sound – overall volume is greatly increased



- Demonstration of Chladni plates excited with violin bow

<https://youtu.be/IRFysSAxWxI>

brass plates on a wooden platform: circular (8in , 10in D), square (10in), and "stadium" (a 8in square with 8in D semicircle at each end); plates are 1/16in thick, and bolted through the center to the wooden base by a 10cm brass rod.

# Acoustic wave equation

- Acoustic waves propagating in a **compressible fluid** (air, water)
- Need to develop equations of motion in 3D
- Many **new quantities** to define along the way
  - “Particle” of fluid:  $dV$  small enough so acoustic variables are  $\sim$  constant but large enough to contain billions of molecules  $\rightarrow$  molecular-scale physics ignored
  - Waves are **pressure disturbances**: small enough amplitude so no significant change in fluid density or other properties
  - Equation of state relates forces to deformations, as in solids

$$P = \rho r T$$

$P$  = pressure (Pa),  $\rho$  = density ( $\text{kg/m}^3$ ),  $T$  = temperature (K)

$r$  = constant depending upon fluid properties

(eg, for ideal gas:  $r = R / M$ ,  $R$  = universal gas constant,  $M$  = molecular weight)

- Typically acoustical disturbances are  $\sim$ adiabatic processes

Adiabatic eqn of state:  $\frac{P}{P_0} = \left(\frac{\rho}{\rho_0}\right)^\gamma$ ,  $\gamma = \left(\frac{C_P}{C_V}\right)$  ratio of specific heats

Assume  $\Delta P \propto \Delta \rho \rightarrow p \equiv P - P_0 = B \left(\frac{\rho - \rho_0}{\rho_0}\right) \rightarrow p = Bs$ ,  $s$  = density fluctuation

$B$  = adiabatic bulk modulus,  $p$  = "acoustic pressure"

# Acoustic wave equation

- Continuity equation: fluid can't just disappear!

– Fluid into volume  $dV$  (fixed in space) = fluid out

$$\frac{dm_x}{dt} = \rho u_x dA, \quad m = \text{mass}, \quad \rho = \text{density}, \quad u = \text{fluid speed}, \quad dA = dydz$$

$$\left\{ \rho u_x - \left[ \rho u_x + \frac{\partial(\rho u_x)}{\partial x} dx \right] \right\} dA = -\frac{\partial(\rho u_x)}{\partial x} dV, \quad \text{same for flow in } y \text{ and } z$$

so net rate of change of mass inside  $dV$  is  $\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot (\rho u)$

(Non-linear!  $\rho$  and  $u$  are both variables)

For acoustic pressure waves,  $\Delta \rho$  is very small, so assume  $\rho = \rho_0(1 + s)$

$$\frac{\partial s}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot u = 0 \quad (\text{linearized continuity equation})$$

Combine equations of state and continuity:  $\int_t \left( \frac{\partial s}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot u \right) dt = 0$

$$u = \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial t}, \quad \xi = \text{fluid particle displacement}$$

$$\int_t \nabla \cdot u dt = \nabla \cdot \int_t u dt = \nabla \cdot \int_t \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial t} dt = \nabla \cdot \xi \rightarrow s = -\nabla \cdot \xi \rightarrow p = -B \nabla \cdot \xi$$

# Acoustic wave equation

- Another justifiable simplification: neglect viscosity
  - Already non-adiabaticity, now assume no viscosity: both reasonable assumptions, effects can be added later

Net force on a 'particle of fluid'  $dV$ :

$$df_x = \left\{ P - \left[ P + \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} dx \right] \right\} dA = -\frac{\partial P}{\partial x} dV \quad \text{where } dV \text{ moves with the fluid}$$

same for y and z forces  $\rightarrow d\vec{f} = -\nabla P dV$

Velocity is function of time and position,  $\vec{u}(x, y, z, t)$

$$\text{acceleration is } a(x, y, z) = \frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t} + u_x \frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial x} + u_y \frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial y} + u_z \frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t} + (\vec{u} \cdot \nabla) \vec{u}$$

$$F = ma \rightarrow df = adm \rightarrow -\nabla P dV = \left( \frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t} + (\vec{u} \cdot \nabla) \vec{u} \right) \rho dV$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Euler's equation: } -\nabla P = \left( \frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t} + (\vec{u} \cdot \nabla) \vec{u} \right) \rho$$

for small-amplitude disturbances ( $s \ll 1$ ),  $(\vec{u} \cdot \nabla) \vec{u} \ll \frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t}$   $\rho \approx \rho_0$  and  $\nabla P \approx p$

$$\text{Euler's equation } \rightarrow -\nabla p \approx \rho_0 \frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t} \quad \text{"Linear inviscid force eqn"}$$

# Acoustic wave equation

- We have eqn of state, adiabatic continuity, and inviscid force eqns
  - Combine to give a linearized 3D wave equation

1.  $p = Bs$ , equation of state:  $s =$  density fluctuation  $\left(\frac{\rho - \rho_0}{\rho_0}\right)$ ,  $B =$  bulk modulus

2.  $\frac{\partial s}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot u = 0$  linearized continuity equation

$$\text{div } \vec{F} = \nabla \cdot \vec{F} = \frac{\partial F_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial F_z}{\partial z}$$

where  $u = \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial t}$ ,  $\xi =$  fluid particle displacement  $\rightarrow p = -B \nabla \cdot \xi$

3.  $-\nabla p \approx \rho_0 \frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t}$  "Linear inviscid force eqn"

$$\text{grad } f = \nabla f = \frac{\partial f_x}{\partial x} \mathbf{i} + \frac{\partial f_y}{\partial y} \mathbf{j} + \frac{\partial f_z}{\partial z} \mathbf{k}$$

Divergence of (3):  $\rho_0 \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t}\right) = -\nabla \cdot \nabla p = -\nabla^2 p$

Time derivative of (2):  $\frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial t^2} + \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t}\right) = 0$  note  $\frac{\partial \nabla \cdot \vec{u}}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t}$

$\rightarrow \nabla^2 p = \rho_0 \frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial t^2}$ ; use (1) to eliminate  $s = p / B$  :  $\nabla^2 p = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial t^2}$

where  $c = \sqrt{B / \rho_0}$   $\rightarrow$  can rewrite (1) as:  $p = \rho_0 c^2 s$

- Since  $p$  and  $s$  are proportional,  $s$  also satisfies the wave equation

## Acoustic wave equation

$$* \text{curl } \mathbf{F} = \nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \left( \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial z} \right) \hat{\mathbf{i}} - \left( \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial z} \right) \hat{\mathbf{j}} + \left( \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y} \right) \hat{\mathbf{k}}$$

- So far, we have

$$\nabla^2 p = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial t^2}, \quad \rho_0 \left( \frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t} \right) = -\nabla p, \quad \text{and} \quad p = \rho_0 c^2 s$$

where  $c = \sqrt{B / \rho_0}$ , and  $s =$  density fluctuation  $\left( \frac{\rho - \rho_0}{\rho_0} \right)$

recall that  $\nabla \times \nabla f = 0$  for any  $f$   $\rightarrow \rho_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \times \vec{u}) = -\nabla \times \nabla p = 0$

so  $\nabla \times \vec{u} = 0$  ( $\vec{u}$  must be *irrotational*)

$\rightarrow \vec{u}$  can be expressed as gradient of a scalar function  $\Phi$

$\vec{u} = \nabla \Phi$  where  $\Phi$  is a scalar *velocity potential*

- Adiabatic, inviscid fluid has no rotational flow  $\rightarrow$  no turbulence, shear waves, or boundary layers
  - Real fluids have viscosity, velocity  $u$  is not curl-free everywhere, but small rotational effects at boundaries do not affect propagation of sound waves

$$\text{Force eqn} \rightarrow \rho_0 \frac{\partial (\nabla \Phi)}{\partial t} + \nabla p = 0 \rightarrow \nabla \left( \rho_0 \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial t} + p \right) = 0 \rightarrow \text{true if } p = -\rho_0 \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial t}$$

...so  $\Phi$  also satisfies the wave eqn

# Speed of sound in more detail

- Speed of sound is related to thermodynamic variables:

$$p = \rho_0 c^2 s \quad \text{where } s = \left( \frac{\rho - \rho_0}{\rho_0} \right) \rightarrow c^2 = \left. \frac{\partial P}{\partial \rho} \right|_{\text{ADIABATIC}} \quad \text{Meaning: evaluate derivative at equilibrium in terms of P and } \rho$$

- For ideal gas,

$$\frac{P}{P_0} = \left( \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \right)^\gamma, \quad \gamma = \left( \frac{C_P}{C_V} \right) \text{ ratio of specific heats} \rightarrow \left. \frac{\partial P}{\partial \rho} \right|_{\text{ADIAB}} = \gamma \frac{P}{\rho}$$

$$\rightarrow \text{evaluated at equilibrium pressure and density, } c^2 = \gamma \frac{P_0}{\rho_0}$$

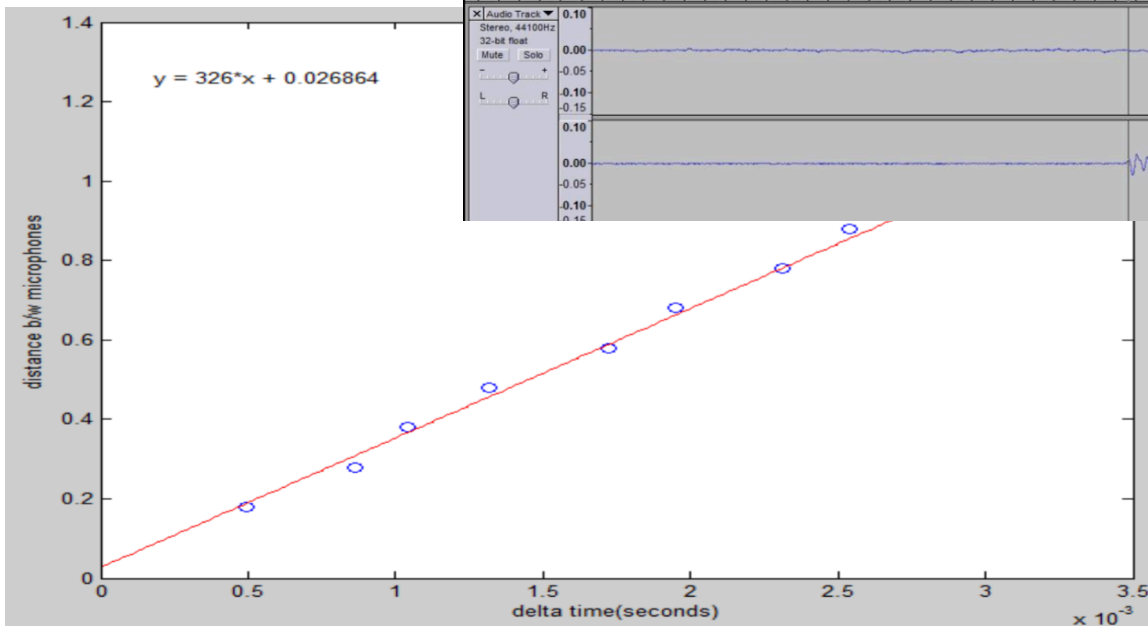
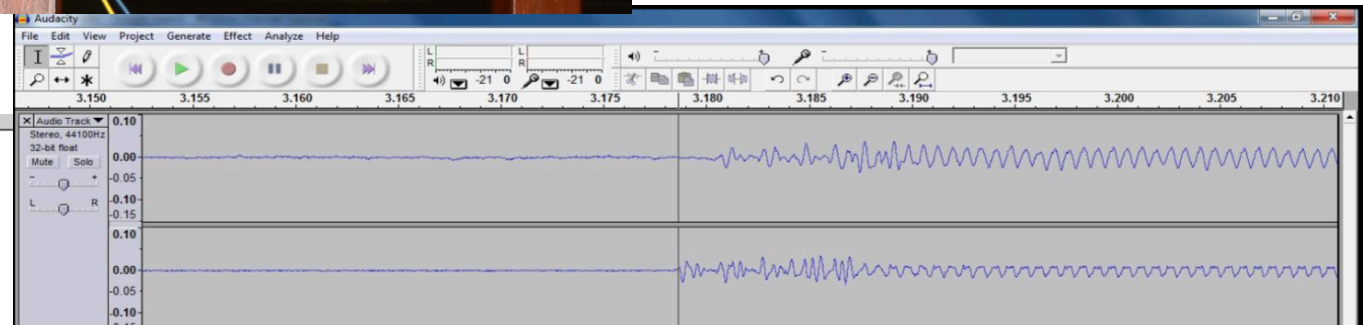
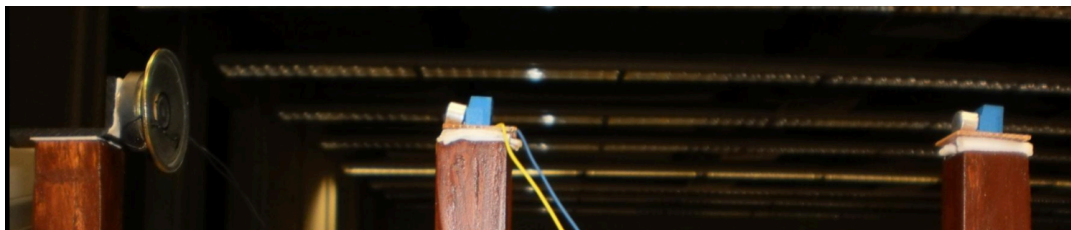
Example: for air at 0°C and  $P_0 = 1 \text{ atm} = 1.013 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$ ,

$$\rho_0 = 1.293 \text{ kg/m}^3, \quad \gamma = 1.402, \quad \sqrt{\gamma \frac{P_0}{\rho_0}} = 331.6 \text{ m/s}$$

- See if you can google an actually **measured** value: I couldn't!
  - Everyone just quotes this theoretical value...
  - I found a student lab report that gave  $c = 326 \text{ m/s}$  – but they forgot to report temperature !

# Sound speed measurement @ home

- The student report\* described using a loudspeaker aimed at two microphones with measured separation
- They used Audacity freeware (see Heller book's website for link); has 2 inputs with 20 microsec resolution, so they used these to measure  $\Delta t$



\* [www.physlab.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/Speed\\_sound.pdf](http://www.physlab.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/Speed_sound.pdf)



# Harmonic plane waves

- Harmonic plane waves = sin/cos waves in 1 direction:

$p(x,y,z,t)=p(x,t) \rightarrow y-z$  planes have constant  $p$  value

1D wave equation  $\frac{\partial^2 p(x,t)}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{c^2} \left( \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial t^2} \right)$  with  $c^2 = B / \rho_0$ ,  $B$ =bulk modulus of fluid

$p = Bs = \rho_0 c^2 s$ ,  $s$  = density fluctuation relative to  $\rho_0$  adiabatic  $B$  of air =  $1.42 \times 10^5$  Pa  $\rightarrow c = 331$  m/s, same as before

wave equation has complex solution  $p = p_+ + p_-$

with wave in +x direction  $p_+ = Ae^{i(\omega t - kx)}$ , and wave in -x direction  $p_- = Be^{i(\omega t + kx)}$

particle speeds are  $u_+ = +\frac{p_+}{\rho_0 c}$ ,  $u_- = -\frac{p_-}{\rho_0 c}$

density fluctuation relative to  $\rho_0$  are  $s_{\pm} = \pm \frac{p_{\pm}}{\rho_0 c^2}$

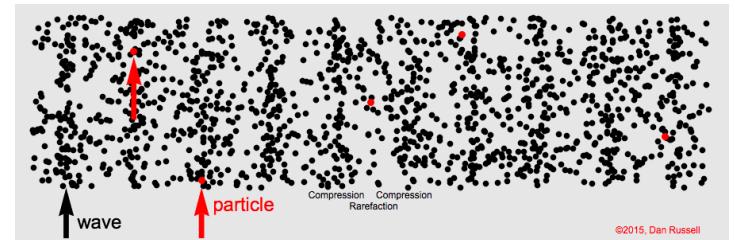
plane wave in arbitrary direction  $\vec{p} = \vec{A} e^{i(\omega t - k_x x - k_y y - k_z z)}$

3D wave equation  $\nabla^2 p = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial t^2}$  is satisfied if  $\sqrt{k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2} = \omega/c$

$\vec{k} = k_x \hat{x} + k_y \hat{y} + k_z \hat{z}$  propagation vector and  $\vec{r} = x \hat{x} + y \hat{y} + z \hat{z}$  position vector

$\rightarrow \vec{p} = \vec{A} e^{i(\omega t - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{r})}$  plane wave, and surfaces of constant phase have  $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} = \text{constant}$

$\vec{k} = \nabla(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r})$  points in the direction of propagation:  $\hat{k} = \vec{k} / |\vec{k}|$  is the ray direction



## Energy transported by plane waves

- Energy carried by small parcel  $V_0$  that moves with fluid:

KE and PE:  $E_K = \frac{1}{2} \rho_0 V_0 u^2$ , and  $E_P = - \int_{V_0}^V p dV$  (compression from  $V_0$  to  $V$ )

must have  $\rho_0 V_0 = \rho V \rightarrow dV = - \frac{V_0}{\rho_0} d\rho$

$p = \rho_0 c^2 s$  and  $s = (\rho - \rho_0) / \rho_0 \rightarrow d\rho = dp / \rho_0 c^2 \rightarrow dV = - \frac{V_0}{\rho_0 c^2} dp$

$E_P = - \int_0^p p \frac{-V_0}{\rho_0 c^2} dp = \frac{p^2 V_0}{2 \rho_0 c^2} \rightarrow$  total acoustic energy in  $V_0 = E_{TOT} = \frac{1}{2} \rho_0 V_0 \left( u^2 + \frac{p^2}{\rho_0^2 c^2} \right)$

instantaneous energy density  $E_i = E_{TOT} / V_0 = \frac{1}{2} \rho_0 \left( u^2 + \frac{p^2}{\rho_0^2 c^2} \right)$  J/m<sup>3</sup>

time average gives energy density  $E = \langle E_i \rangle_T = \frac{1}{T} \int_T E_i dt$ ,  $T$  = period of wave

so for plane harmonic wave in the +x direction  $p = \rho_0 c u \rightarrow E_i = \rho_0 u^2 = pu / c$

for  $p = P e^{i(\omega t - kx)}$  and  $u = U e^{i(\omega t - kx)}$ ,  $E = \langle E_i \rangle_T = \frac{1}{2} P U / c = \frac{1}{2} \frac{P^2}{\rho_0 c} = \frac{1}{2} \rho_0 U^2$

(These simple results only valid for plane waves)

## Intensity of acoustic waves

- Intensity of acoustic wave = time rate of energy flow (power) through a unit area normal to propagation direction

$$E_i = pu / c \rightarrow I = \langle pu \rangle_T = \frac{1}{T} \int_T pu dt$$

Amplitude = max  $\Delta p$  in wave  
Intensity = power/area  $\sim \Delta p^2$

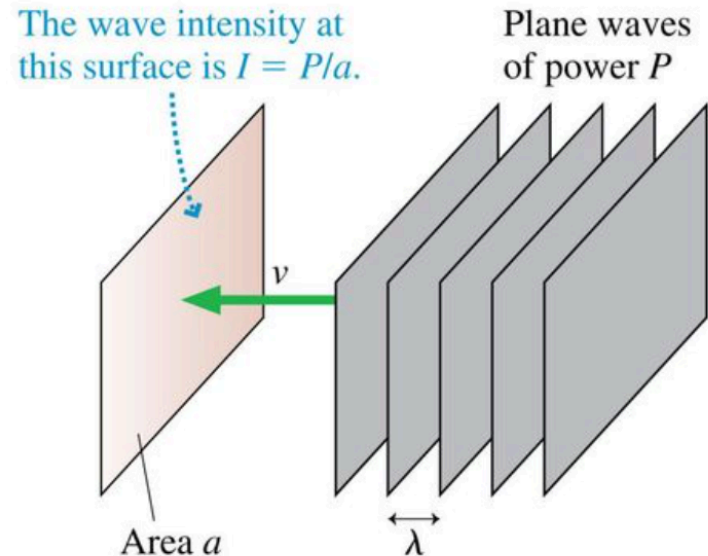
for plane wave in +x direction,  $I = \frac{1}{2} P_+ U_+ = \frac{1}{2} \frac{P_+^2}{\rho_0 c}$

for plane wave in -x direction,  $I = -\frac{1}{2} P_- U_- = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{P_-^2}{\rho_0 c}$

RMS values  $\sqrt{\frac{1}{T} \int_T f^2 dt}$

are useful time averages providing effective intensities:

$$P_{\pm RMS} = P_{\pm} / \sqrt{2} \rightarrow I_{\pm RMS} = \frac{P_{\pm} U_{\pm}}{2} = \frac{P_{\pm}^2}{2\rho_0 c}$$



# Specific acoustic impedance

- We found acoustic impedance = driving force/resulting speed
- In terms of acoustical pressure  $p$ , we get  
Specific acoustical impedance  $z = p / u$

For plane waves  $u_{\pm} = \pm \frac{p_{\pm}}{\rho_0 c} \rightarrow z = \pm \rho_0 c$  (for  $+x$  or  $-x$  direction)

$\rho_0 c$  = Characteristic impedance of medium

Remember: lower case  $p, \rho, u$  etc are *relative to* baseline values  $P_0, \rho_0, etc$

- SI units for  $z$  : Pa-s/m (1 Pa-s/m = 1 *rayl*, named after Rayleigh)

$z$  is real for plane waves,  
but standing waves or  
diverging waves have  
complex values:

$$z = r + i x$$

( $r, x$  = specific acoustic  
resistance, reactance)

characteristic of medium  
for non-planar wave type  
considered

Material	Sound Velocity (in./sec.)	Density (lbs./In. <sup>3</sup> )	Acoustical Impredance (lbs./In. <sup>2</sup> sec.)
Steel	206,500	0.283	58,400
Copper	140,400	0.320	45,000
Cast Iron	148,800	0.260	38,700
Lead	49,800	0.411	20,400
Glass	216,000	0.094	20,300
Concrete	198,000	0.072	14,200
Water	56,400	0.036	2,030

