

**Calculation Problems – Choose 4 out of 5 problems (25 points each)**

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- What is the complete v(t) equation for the motion of this mass?
- What is the complete x(t) equation for the motion of this mass?
- What is the kinetic energy when the mass is at ½ the amplitude of its motion?
- When is the first time the acceleration is a maximum magnitude?

$$\text{a) } v = 4 \cos\left(\sqrt{\frac{400}{4}}t\right) = 4 \cos(10t) \quad \text{b) } x = 0.4 \sin(10t) \quad \text{c) } U_{sp} = \frac{1}{2}(400)(0.2)^2 = 8J \quad E = \frac{1}{2}(4)(4)^2 = 32J \quad KE = 24J$$

$$\text{d) acceleration} = \text{max when displacement} = \text{maximum} = \frac{1}{4} \text{ period} \dots \text{thus if } T = \frac{2\pi}{10} \quad t = \frac{\pi}{20} = 0.157 \text{ sec}$$

2) Traveling waves:

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$$\text{a) } k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} = \pi \quad \omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} = 5\pi \quad \text{to the right} \quad y(x,t) = 0.5 \sin(\pi x - 5\pi t)$$

$$\text{b) } v = A\omega = 2.5\pi \quad \text{c) same answer as b) .. maximum speed doesn't depend on location!}$$

3) A source is moving **East** with a fixed speed and is emitting a frequency of **300 Hz**. The receiver is to the **West** of the source. Speed of sound in the room is **343 m/sec**.

- When the receiver is at rest – it detects a frequency of **280 Hz** from the moving source. What is the speed of the source?
- The receiver starts moving at **10 m/sec** to the **EAST**– there is a wall to the **West** of the receiver – and the sound from the moving source bounces off that west wall and arrives at the moving receiver – what frequency does the moving receiver detect from that bounced sound off the west wall?

$$\text{a) } 280 = 300 \frac{343}{343+v} \quad 343+v = (1.07)(343) \quad v = 24.5 \text{ m/s} \quad \text{b) } f' = \left[ 300 \frac{343}{343+24.5} \right] \left\{ \frac{343-10}{343} \right\} = 271.8 \text{ Hz}$$

4) Sound intensity and Decibel scale questions:

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- Exactly how far way (in meters) is the second student location?
- If the second student stood so that they heard **57 dB** for the burp – what is the intensity (I) ratio between the first student and this new location?

$$\text{a) } 30\text{dB} = 3 \times 10\text{dB} \dots \text{every } 10 \text{ dB is } \frac{1}{2} \text{ as loud so half*half*half} = \frac{1}{8} \text{ th as loud} \quad \text{b) } 30 \text{ dB translates to an intensity ratio of } 1000 - \text{distance ratio is the square root of the intensity} - \text{thus new distance} = 31.62 \text{ meters.} \quad \text{c) this is a } 13 \text{ dB change} \dots \text{so } 10 \times 3 \dots \text{this translates to } \times 10 \times 2 = 20 \text{ times the intensity}$$

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$$\text{a) } L=2.4 \text{ m} \quad f_{\text{bothopen}} = n \left( \frac{v}{2L} \right) = n \left( \frac{331}{2(2.5)} \right) = n(66.2) = 66.2, 132.4, 198.6 \text{ Hz}$$

$$\text{b) the difference between these} = 60 \text{ Hz} \dots \text{and neither is a multiple of } 60 \text{ Hz} - \text{but both are odd multiples of } 30 \text{ Hz} - \text{thus one open / one closed. } 30 = v/4L \quad L=2.78 \text{ m}$$

**Multiple Choice Answers: 1) C 2) C 3) C 4) B 5) C 6) B 7) D**

## MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

(Choose 6 out of 7 - 3 points each {2 free points} – total of 20 points for this section)

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**Chose 4 out of 5 calculation problems – 25 pts each = 100 points Multiple choice = 20 points (2 free pts!)**

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**Choose 6/7 of the Multiple Choice questions and 4/5 of the Calculation questions!**