

# *Lecture 26 Announcements*

1. Results of the class votes
  - a. Final replace a midterm score? **Yes**
    - i. 26% for option A (regular final, safety net at 77%)
    - ii. 74% for option B (final score will replace one midterm if it helps you, chosen to maximize your points; safety net moved to 73%)
  - Note: computer grading system does not (yet?) reflect this change in the “Your score on the final exam must be at least xx% to guarantee a final grade of X” statements.
2. Colton “class improvement survey” link sent out, 3 bonus points if you complete it by Thurs, Dec 10.
3. Online course evaluations due Dec 13  
<http://studentratings.byu.edu>  
→ Please take both the ratings and the comments seriously. I read every single comment, as does the Physics Department promotion/tenure committee. (No extra credit)
4. TA-led final exam review—doodle.com survey again
5. Rate the TA-lab tutors! You should receive an email. The top tutor (tutors?) gets a cash prize.

**Which part of today's assignment was particularly hard or confusing?**

Can you go over bulk modulus , that was rather confusing.

Skip it!

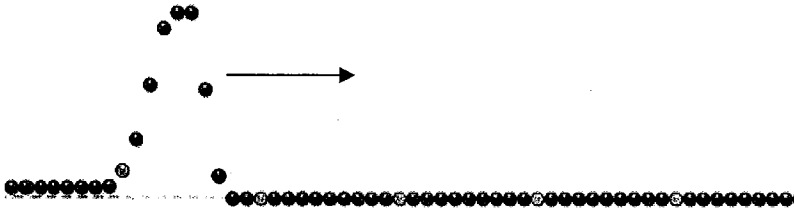
**General comments:**

how does pitch relate to everything. If someone has perfect pitch what does that mean?



frequency  
of the  
sound wave

# Reflections



**Clicker quiz:** What happens when an upward pulse hits the end and turns around?

- a. the wave reflects back, upward
- b. the wave reflects back, downward
- ☒ c. it depends

Web Demo:

<http://www.colorado.edu/physics/phet/simulations/stringwave/stringWave.swf>

## Boundaries

Rope: Light rope meets heavy rope

Light: Air meets glass

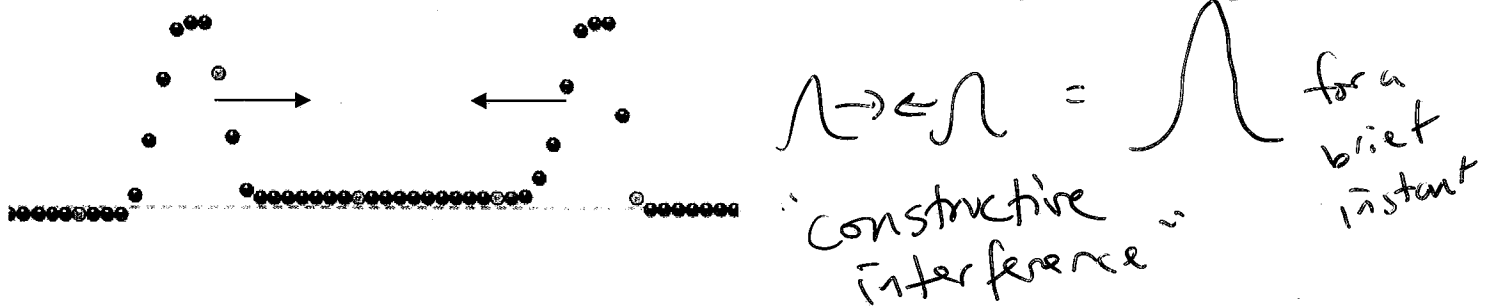
In both cases: transverse wave will flip it's amplitude (typically)

Sound: Thin air meets dense air

→ Also can cause reflections

# Superposition/Interference

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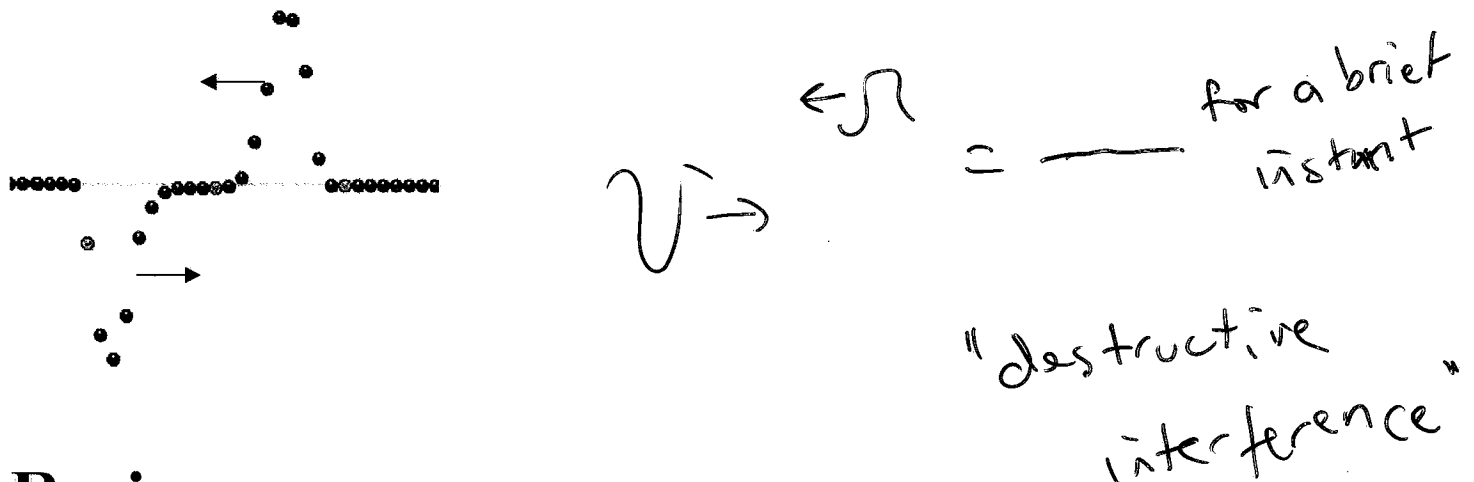


**From warmup:** What happens when two pulses on a string (one coming from each end) meet in the middle?

- a. The pulses pass through each other
- b. The pulses reflect off of each other

Demo: Shive wave machine

**What about this case?**



**Review:**

What gets transported by the wave? energy

What does the transporting? medium

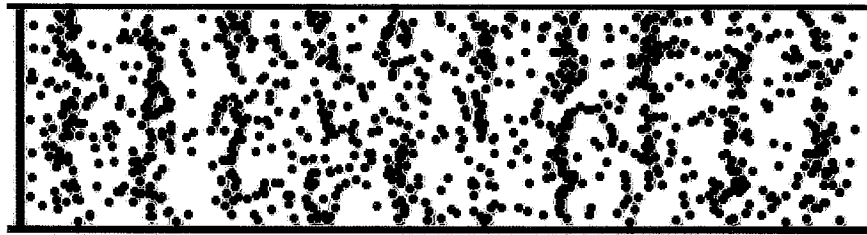
What was wrong with the Star Wars video?

## What is sound?

**Clicker quiz:** What type of oscillation is a sound wave?

- ☒ a. Longitudinal
- b. Transverse
- c. Neither

Kind of like this:



...but not entirely. **What** is oscillating like that? The molecules?

Demo: Vacuum jar

pressure  
or density

**Audible sound waves:**  $\sim 20$  Hz to  $\sim 20$  kHz (different for everyone)

Demo: **Hearing test!** Frequency source & speaker

How is sound produced?

- Speaker cutaway
- Tuning fork demo
- Air jet and spinning disk demo
- Vocal folds (“cords”) demo
- “singing rod” demo

# Speed of sound

Gases *longitudinal*

Air:  $v = 343 \text{ m/s}$  at  $20^\circ \text{ C}$

To impress your date:  
~1 km in 3 seconds

Other temps:  $v = 331 \text{ m/s} \sqrt{\frac{T}{273K}}$

(you don't need to know this)

Helium:  $972 \text{ m/s}$  (at  $0^\circ \text{ C}$ ) Why so much faster?

## Solids

“Sound waves” in solids are like the P (longitudinal) and S (transverse) waves in earthquakes

Table in book:

Aluminum	5100 m/s	} Almost certainly these speeds are for <i>longitudinal</i> waves
Copper	3560 m/s	

## Liquids

Only longitudinal. (Why are transverse waves not possible?)

Table in book:

Water	1490 m/s
Methanol	1140 m/s

→ Why would solids be the fastest?

# Intensity

→ How concentrated (or “focused”) the wave is

**Definition**  $I = \frac{Power}{Area}$   $\frac{W}{m^2}$

→ Not just for sound

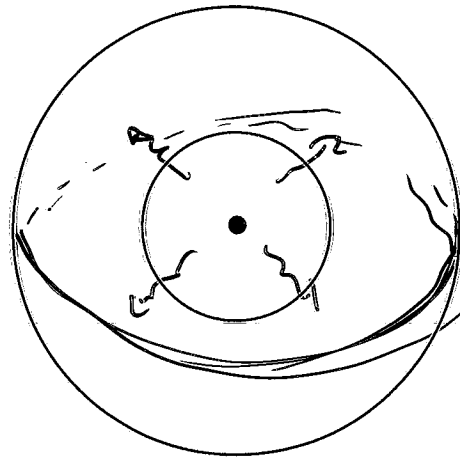
## Intensity vs distance?

For a *spherically* emitting source:

$$I = \frac{P}{A} = \frac{P}{4\pi r^2}$$

area of a sphere

$$\text{so } \frac{I_1}{I_2} = \frac{r_2^2}{r_1^2}$$



$$I \sim \frac{1}{r^2}$$

**From warmup:** If a loudspeaker emits spherical sound waves in all directions, what decreases as you go farther away from the loudspeaker?

- a. frequency
- ☒ b. intensity
- c. wavelength

**Clicker quiz:** You measure the sound intensity produced by a spherically-emitting speaker to be  $10 \text{ W/m}^2$  at a distance of 1.5 meters. What will be the intensity at 3 meters away?

a. 2.5    b. 5    c. 10    d. 20    e. 40     $\rightarrow$  double distance  $\rightarrow \frac{1}{4}$  the intensity

**Problem:** What is the total sound power (watts) being produced by the speaker?



$$I = \frac{P}{A}$$

$$P = I \times \text{Area}$$

$$= 10 \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}^2} \times (4\pi 1.5^2) \text{m}^2 = \boxed{283 \text{ W}}$$

## Decibel intensity scale

- We hear over a huge range of intensities
- So use a *logarithmic scale*

(multiplied by 10, for no apparent reason)

“Decibel number”

$$\beta = 10 \log \frac{I}{I_o} \quad \text{where } I_o = 10^{-12} \text{ W/m}^2$$

$\rightarrow$  minimum intensity we can hear

“log” = “logarithm, base 10”

$\rightarrow$  adding ten to dB number =  $\times 10$  to the intensity

Answer: 282.7 W



**From warmup:** You go to a rock concert where the sound level where you are standing is 110 dB. How does the intensity (power/area) of sound waves compare to when you listen to the same music on your home stereo system, 90 dB at the spot you sit?

- a. Concert intensity = Stereo intensity
- b. Concert intensity = 1.20× stereo intensity
- c. Concert intensity = 2× stereo intensity
- d. Concert intensity = 10× stereo intensity
- e. Concert intensity = 20× stereo intensity
- f. Concert intensity = 100× stereo intensity**

30% got  
right

From table in book:

		W/m <sup>2</sup>	dB
Jet on a runway	Instant pain, damage	1000	150
Machine gun	damage	10	130
Rock concert (best seats)	pain, damage	1	120
Power mower	damage (if all day)	10 <sup>-2</sup>	100
Vacuum cleaner	safe all day	10 <sup>-5</sup>	70
Conversation		10 <sup>-7</sup>	50
Whisper		10 <sup>-9</sup>	30
Rub fingers by ear	Threshold	10 <sup>-12</sup>	0

“Jet on a runway?” → calling Mythbusters! ☺

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eTQh7D-nDNM> start at 2:48

OSHA regulations: ≤ 90 dB averaged over 8 hour day.

**From warmup:** Ralph is confused about Table 14.2 (8th edition), where the book lists different intensity levels for different sources. For example, the table says a vacuum cleaner has an intensity of 70 dB. What confuses Ralph, is that it seems like a vacuum cleaner should sound louder to someone who is pushing the vacuum cleaner than to someone who is a little farther away. How can the intensity level be 70 dB for both people? How should you answer Ralph's question?

**Answer from the class:**

Colton: For once in Ralph's life, he got something right!!

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The intensity does decrease as someone gets further away from the source.

# Logarithm Review (base 10)

$\text{Log}_{10}(x)$  is the inverse of  $10^y \rightarrow$  if  $x = 10^y$  then  $y = \log_{10}(x)$

I.e. "10 to the what equals 22?" answer: 1.3424 ( $\log(22)$ )

Review of "Laws of Logs":  
1.  $\log(ab) = \log(a) + \log(b)$   
2.  $\log(a^n) = n \log(a)$

$$10^x = 22$$

$$x = \log_{10}(22)$$

$$10^{1.3424} = 22$$

$$\text{b. } \log(a/b) = \log a - \log b$$

$\log_{10}(100) = ?$  Translation: 10 to what number equals 100? (2)

$$\text{Test: } 10^2 = 100 \checkmark$$

$\ln(100) = ?$  ("ln" =  $\log_e = \log_{2.71828}$ )

Translation: e to what number equals 100? (4.605)

$$\text{Test with calculator: } 2.71828^{4.605} = 99.983$$

If the problem just says  $\log(100)$ ...could be either  $\log_{10}$  or  $\ln$

For us: assume  $\log_{10}$

**Worked Problem:**  $\log_{10}(1,000,000) = \log_{10}(10^6)$   
 $= 6 \log_{10}(10) = 6 \times 1 = \boxed{6}$

**Worked problem:** If  $\log(3) = 0.477$ , what is  $\log(300)$ ?

$$\log(300) = \log(3) + \log(100)$$

$$= .477 + 2$$

$$= \boxed{2.477...}$$

# Decibels again

$$\beta = 10 \log \frac{I}{I_0}$$

$\beta$  = "decibel number"

$$I_0 = 10^{-12} \text{ W/m}^2$$

Compare two intensities:

If you increase  $I$  by a factor of 10, add +10 to  $\beta$

If you increase  $I$  by a factor of 100, add +20 to  $\beta$

If you increase  $I$  by a factor of 1000, add +30 to  $\beta$

→ each factor of ten added to dB number =  $\times 10$  to the intensity

**Worked problem:** If you increase  $I$  by  $\times 2$ , what do you add to  $\beta$ ?  
(Given that  $\log(2) = 0.301$ .)

$$\beta_1 = 10 \log \frac{I_1}{I_0}$$

$$\beta_2 = 10 \log \frac{2I_1}{I_0}$$

$$\beta_2 - \beta_1 = ?$$

$$= 10 \log \frac{2I_1}{I_0} - 10 \log \frac{I_1}{I_0}$$

$$= 10 \left[ \log \frac{2I_1}{I_0} - \log \frac{I_1}{I_0} \right]$$

$$= 10 \log \left[ \frac{2I_1/I_0}{I_1/I_0} \right]$$

$$= 10 \log 2 = \boxed{3.01}$$

**You need to know this for final**

→ each factor of ten added to dB number =  $\times 10$  to the intensity

→ each  $\times 10$  to the intensity means you add 10 dBs

→ each factor of 3 added to dB number =  $\times 2$  to the intensity

→ each  $\times 2$  to the intensity means you add 3 dBs

**Clicker quiz:** If you increase  $I$  by a factor of 8, add \_\_\_\_\_ to the decibel level (Hint: do it with 2's)

a. 4

b. 6

c. 8

d. 9

e. 12

$$8 = 2 \times 2 \times 2$$

$$I : \times 2 \times 2 \times 2$$



$$\text{dB} : +3 + 3 + 3$$

$$= +9$$

**Worked problem:** You hear an average of 82 dB in your workshop as three printing presses run. The next day you come in and find the sound level to be 88 dB. *How many total printing presses are now running?*

$$6 \text{ dB} = +3 + 3$$



$$\frac{I}{\times 2 \times 2} = \times 4$$

$$3 \text{ printing presses} \times 4 = \boxed{12 \text{ presses}}$$

What if you need to solve for  $I$ ?

$$\beta = 10 \log \left( \frac{I}{I_0} \right) \text{ given}$$

$$\frac{\beta}{10} = \log \frac{I}{I_0}$$

$$10^{\beta/10} = 10^{\log(I/I_0)}$$

$$10^{\beta/10} = I/I_0$$

(this is not given on final)

★  $I = I_0 \left( 10^{\beta/10} \right)$

## Review quizzes

**Clicker quiz 1:** The *intensity* of a wave is its

- a. power
- ☒ b. power/area
- c. power  $\times$  area

**Clicker quiz 2:** True/false: if you double the sound intensity, the decibel number also gets doubled.

- a. true
- ☒ b. false

→ add +3

**Clicker quiz 3:**  $10^{-4} \text{ W/m}^2$  has a dB level of \_\_\_\_\_ dB.

- a. 4
- b. 8
- c. 60
- ☒ d. 80
- e. 90

$$\begin{aligned} \beta &= 10 \log \left( \frac{I}{10^{-12} \text{ W/m}^2} \right) \\ &= 10 \log \left( \frac{10^{-4} \text{ W/m}^2}{10^{-12} \text{ W/m}^2} \right) = 10 \log 10^8 \\ &= 10 (8) \log 10 \\ &= 80 \end{aligned}$$