

## Question 1

a) Lower, since  $f \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}}$

$$b) f_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{k/m} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$f_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{k}{m+m_1}} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\therefore \frac{f_0}{f_1} = \frac{\sqrt{k/m}}{\sqrt{\frac{k}{m+m_1}}} = \sqrt{\frac{m+m_1}{m}}$$

$$\therefore m \left( \frac{f_0}{f_1} \right)^2 = m + m_1$$

$$\therefore m = \frac{m_1}{\left( \frac{f_0}{f_1} \right)^2 - 1}$$

OR

$$m = \frac{m_1 f_1^2}{f_0^2 - f_1^2}$$

c) From (1),  $k = 4\pi^2 f_0^2 m$

$$\therefore k = \frac{4\pi^2 f_0^2 f_1^2 m_1}{f_0^2 - f_1^2}$$

d) For closed pipe,  $L = \lambda/4$

$$\text{But } \lambda = v/f$$

$$\therefore L = \frac{v}{4f} = \frac{343 \text{ m/s}}{4 \times 20 \text{ Hz}} = 4.29 \text{ m}$$

e) For open pipe,  $L = \lambda/2 = 8.56 \text{ m}$

## Question 2

a) 440 Hz. The frequency is unchanged because the observer and source are not moving relative to each other

$$b) f = f_0 \left( \frac{v + v_o}{v + v_s} \right)$$

Consider the frame of reference of the wind. The source is receding at  $20 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  and the observer is approaching at  $(20 - 15) = 5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$

$$\therefore f = \left( \frac{343 + 5}{343 + 20} \right) \cdot 440$$
$$= 422 \text{ Hz.}$$

c) Let  $I_1$  be intensity of trumpet at 5m and  $I_2$  be ambient noise level.

$$\beta = 10 \log_{10} \left( \frac{I_1}{I_0} \right)$$

$\therefore$  ratio of (Trumpet at 5m) to (ambient noise) is given by

$$(86 - 40) \text{ dB} = 10 \log_{10} \left( \frac{I_1}{I_2} \right)$$

$$\therefore \frac{I_1}{I_2} = 10^{4.6}, \quad I_1 = 39,800 \cdot I_2$$

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

$$\therefore \frac{I_1}{I_2} = \left( \frac{r_2}{r_1} \right)^2$$

$$\therefore r_2 = 998 \text{ m (say 1 km)}$$

$$v = 15 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

$\therefore$  time to travel  $(998 - 5) \text{ m}$  is 66 sec.

- Assumptions:
- Sound radiated uniformly in all directions
  - Trumpet inaudible when sound level equals ambient noise
  - No attenuation of sound through air
  - Listener accelerates instantly from rest.
  - etc.

### Question 3.

$$y = 0.5 \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{3}\right) \cos(40\pi t) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

a) At  $x = 4.5 \text{ cm}$ ,

$$y_{\max} = 0.5 \sin\left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right) = 0.5 \text{ cm}$$

b) Nodes when  $\frac{\pi x}{3} = n\pi$ , ie  $x = 3n$   
ie,  $x = 0, 3, 6, 9 \text{ cm}$

$$\therefore \Delta x = 3 \text{ cm}$$

c) Maximum acceleration at antinodes, ie  
where  $x = 3\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)$   $\frac{\pi x}{3} = \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi$   
 $\therefore x = 1.5, 4.5, 7.5 \text{ cm}$

d)  $\sin A + \sin B = 2 \sin\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{A-B}{2}\right)$   
compare to (1)

$$\therefore \text{amplitude of each wave} = 0.5/2 = 0.25$$

sin term:  $\frac{A+B}{2} = \frac{\pi x}{3} \quad \text{--- (2)}$

cos term  $\frac{A-B}{2} = 40\pi t \quad \text{--- (3)}$

Add (2) + (3)  $\therefore A = \frac{\pi x}{3}$

Subtract (3) from (2)  $\therefore B = 40\pi t$

$\therefore$  two waves are  $y = 0.25 \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{3} + 40\pi t\right)$   
and  $y_2 = 0.25 \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{3} - 40\pi t\right)$

$$e) \quad v = \omega/k$$

$$\omega = 40\pi, \quad k = \pi/3$$

$$\therefore v = 120 \text{ cm/s}$$

$$\text{But } v = \sqrt{T/\mu}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore T &= (1.2)^2 \cdot 0.024/0.09 \\ &= 0.38 \text{ N} \end{aligned}$$

### Question 4.

- a) Phase change at first surface is  $\pi$ , since  $\sqrt{n_1} > 1$   
Phase change at second surface is  $\pi$ , since  $n_1 > \sqrt{n_2}$

$$\therefore 2nt = \lambda/2 \quad \text{where } n = \sqrt{n_1}$$

$$\therefore t = \frac{550}{4 \sqrt{1.55}} = 110 \text{ nm}$$

- b) At shorter wavelengths (and longer wavelengths) the coating will not be the optimum thickness, and will reflect more incident blue (and red) light.

- c) Now phase change at first surface is 0, since  $1.7 > \sqrt{1.55}$

$\therefore$  Coating is no longer optimum (in fact it is the worst possible thickness!)

Optimum thickness is  $2nt = \lambda$

$$\therefore t = \frac{550}{2 \sqrt{1.55}} = 220 \text{ nm}$$

### Question 5.

$$a) \theta = 1.22 \lambda / D$$

$$\lambda = v / f = \frac{3.00 \times 10^8}{2.2 \times 10^9} = 0.136 \text{ m}$$

$$\therefore \theta = 2.56 \times 10^{-3} \text{ radians}$$

$$b) d = \theta r = 2.60 \times 10^{-3} \times 3.80 \times 10^5 \text{ km} \\ = 988 \text{ km}$$

(Also acceptable is  $\theta \approx \lambda / D$ , giving  $\theta = 2.13 \times 10^{-3}$ ,  $d = 808 \text{ km}$ )

## Question 6.

a) The sky is most highly polarised when the angle formed by sun - (patch of sky) - observer is  $90^\circ$ .

i.e. just after sunrise and just before sunset.

b) For maximum polarisation, the sun must be incident on the lake at Brewster's angle, given by

$$\tan \theta_p = n$$

$$\text{For } n = 1.33, \quad \theta_p = 53^\circ$$

At the equator, the sun moves at  $15^\circ/\text{hour}$  ( $360^\circ$  in 24 hours). Therefore it is  $53^\circ$  from zenith at noon  $\pm 3.5$  hours, or 8:30 am and 3:30 pm.