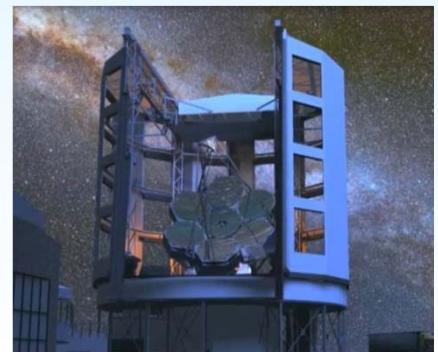
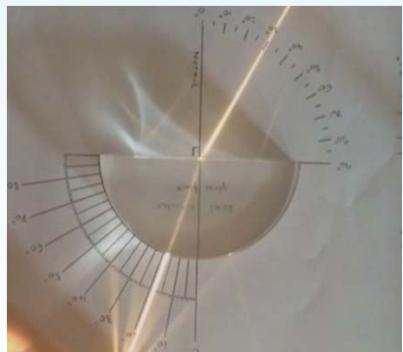
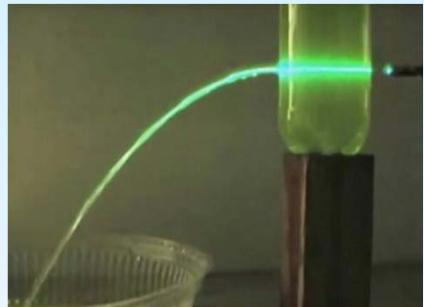
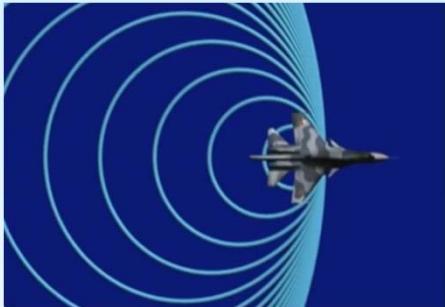




# Wave mechanics



SUMMARY OF ALL SUMMARIES





# Harmonic oscillation: Summary

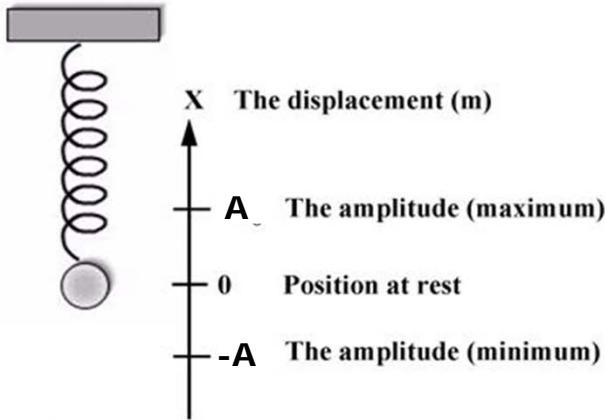


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Harmonic oscillation



# Harmonic oscillation: Summary



**x** The displacement (m)

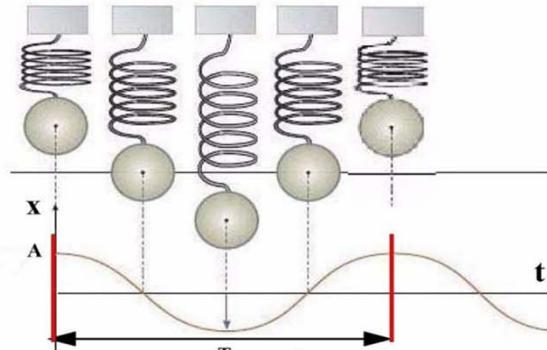
**A** The amplitude (m)

**t** Time (s)

**T** Period (s)

**f** Frequency (Hz) =  $1 / T$

**$\omega$**  Angular Frequency (Hz) =  $2\pi / T = 2\pi f$



$$\phi = \arccos(x_0 / A) = \arccos(A/A) = 0$$

$$x = A \cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

$$\rightarrow x_{\max} = A$$

$$v = \frac{dx}{dt} = -\omega A \sin(\omega t + \phi)$$

$$\rightarrow v_{\max} = \omega A$$

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt} = -\omega^2 A \cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

$$\rightarrow a_{\max} = \omega^2 A$$



# Harmonic oscillation: Summary

Harmonic oscillations in a spring are described by the equation:

$$\frac{\partial^2 x}{\partial t^2} + \frac{k}{m} x = 0$$

if  $F = -kx$

which has the solution:

$$x = A \cos(\omega t + \varphi)$$

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

Spring constant  
Spring force

Kinetic energy:

$$E_k = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}kA^2\sin^2(\omega t)$$

Potential energy:

$$E_p = \frac{1}{2}kx^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}kA^2\cos^2(\omega t)$$

Total energy:

$$E_t = E_p + E_k = \frac{1}{2}kA^2$$





# Mechanical waves: Summary



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Mechanical waves



# Mechanical waves: Summary

The sinusoidal oscillations on a string are described by the wave equation:

which has the wavefunction as a solution:

Velocity and acceleration are obtained by derivation:

Wave velocity:

Wavelength

$$v = \lambda / T = \omega / k$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 y(x, t)}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 y(x, t)}{\partial t^2}$$

Displacement of a point on the wave  
Location along a wave

$$y(x, t) = A \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

Wave amplitude

$$v_y(x, t) = \frac{\partial y(x, t)}{\partial t} = \omega A \sin(kx - \omega t)$$

$$a_y(x, t) = \frac{\partial^2 y(x, t)}{\partial t^2} = -\omega^2 A \cos(kx - \omega t) = -\omega^2 y(x, t)$$

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

String tension  
String mass per meter

# Mechanical waves: Summary

Average power:

$$P_{av} = \frac{1}{2} \mu (\omega A)^2 v = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\mu F} (\omega A)^2$$

The power function:

$$P(x,t) = 2P_{av} \sin^2(kx - \omega t)$$

Wavefunction for a standing wave:

$$y(x,t) = 2A \sin(kx) \sin(\omega t)$$

Fundamental frequency:

$$f_1 = \frac{1}{2L} \sqrt{\frac{F}{\mu}}$$

Length of a string

$$f_n = n f_1 \quad n = 2, 3, 4\dots$$





# Sound: Summary



# SUMMARY

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# Sound: Summary

Wavefunction:

$$y(x, t) = A \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

Pressure amplitude

Pressure function:

$$p(x, t) = BkA \sin(kx - \omega t)$$

$$p_{\max} = BkA$$

Speed of sound:

$$v = f \cdot \lambda = \frac{\omega}{k} = \sqrt{\frac{B}{\rho}}$$

Bulk modulus

Density

Intensity (average power per unit area)

$$I = P_{\text{av}} / \text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} B \omega k A^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\rho B} \omega^2 A^2 = \frac{p_{\max}^2}{2\sqrt{\rho B}}$$

The power function:

$$P(x, t) = 2I \sin^2(kx - \omega t)$$



# Sound: Summary

The inverse-square law:

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

Distance to location 2  
Distance to location 1

Intensity level (decibel):

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

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

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

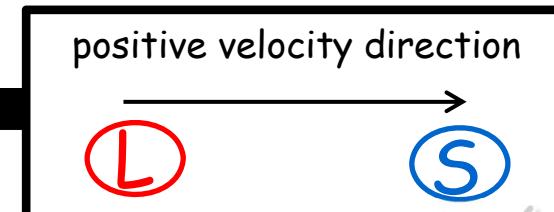
Doppler effect:

Velocity listener  
Frequency of source

$$f_L = \frac{v + v_L}{v + v_S} f_S$$

Frequency for listener  
Velocity source

positive velocity direction





# Electromagnetic waves: Summary



# SUMMARY

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Electromagnetic waves



# Electromagnetic waves: Summary

Wavefunction:

$$\vec{E}(x, t) = \hat{j}E_{\max} \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

$$\vec{B}(x, t) = \hat{k}B_{\max} \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

$$E = cB$$

Speed of light:

$$c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_0 \mu_0}}$$

$$c = \lambda/T = \omega/k$$

$$k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T}$$

Energy density:

$$u_E = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2$$

$$u_B = \frac{B^2}{2\mu_0}$$

Permittivity

Permeability



# Electromagnetic waves: Summary

Power per unit area:

$$S_x(x,t) = 2S_{av} \cos^2(kx - \omega t)$$

Intensity =

Average power per unit area:

$$S_{av} = \frac{E_{max}B_{max}}{2\mu_0} = \frac{E_{max}^2}{2\mu_0 c} = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_0 c E_{max}^2$$



# Comparing all wave functions

String:

$$y(x,t) = A \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

$$y(x,t) = 2A \sin(kx) \sin(\omega t)$$

Sound:

$$y(x,t) = A \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

$$p(x,t) = p_{\max} \sin(kx - \omega t)$$

EM waves:

$$E(x,t) = E_{\max} \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

$$B(x,t) = B_{\max} \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

# Comparing all power functions

String:

$$P(x,t) = 2P_{av} \sin^2(kx - \omega t)$$

$$P_{av} = \frac{1}{2} \mu (\omega A)^2 v = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\mu F} (\omega A)^2$$

Sound:

$$P(x,t) = 2I \sin^2(kx - \omega t)$$

$$I = \frac{1}{2} \rho (\omega A)^2 v = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\rho B} (\omega A)^2 = \frac{p_{\max}^2}{2\rho v} = \frac{p_{\max}^2}{2\sqrt{\rho B}}$$

EM Waves:  $S_x(x,t) = 2S_{av} \cos^2(kx - \omega t)$

$$S_{av} = \frac{E_{\max} B_{\max}}{2\mu_0} = \frac{E_{\max}^2}{2\mu_0 c} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 c E_{\max}^2$$





# Interference: Summary



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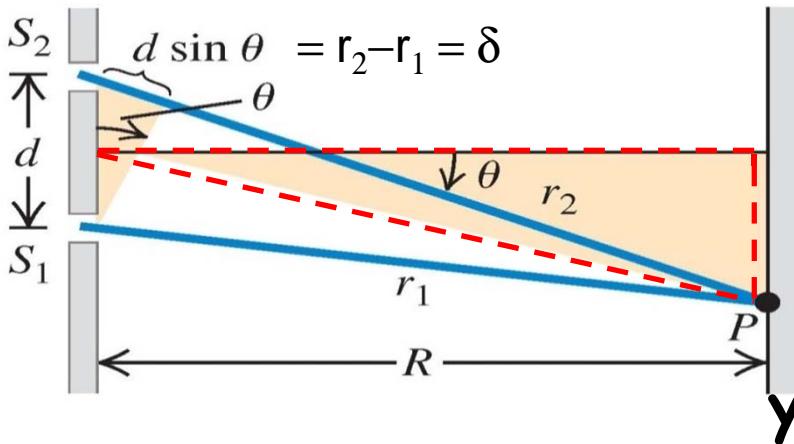
## Chapter 35

# Interference



# Interference: Summary

Young's double-slit experiment



**Constructive interference:**

$$d \sin \theta = m\lambda \quad y_m = R \frac{m\lambda}{d} \quad m = 0, \pm 1, \dots$$

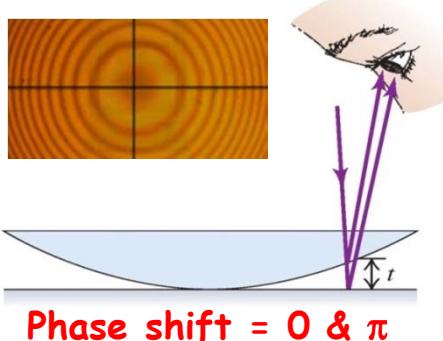
**Destructive interference:**

$$d \sin \theta = \left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right)\lambda \quad m = 0, \pm 1, \dots$$

$$I = I_0 \cos^2 \frac{\phi}{2}$$

$$\phi = \frac{2\pi\delta}{\lambda} \approx \frac{2\pi d}{\lambda} \sin \theta \approx \frac{2\pi dy}{\lambda R}$$

Thin film  
&  
Newton's  
rings



Phase shift = 0 &  $\pi$

**Constructive reflections:**

$$2t = \left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right)\lambda \quad (m = 0, 1, 2, \dots)$$

**Destructive reflections:**

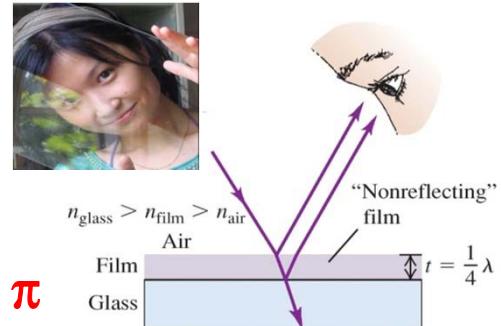
$$2t = m\lambda \quad (m = 0, 1, 2, \dots)$$



# Interference: Summary

Non-reflecting  
coating

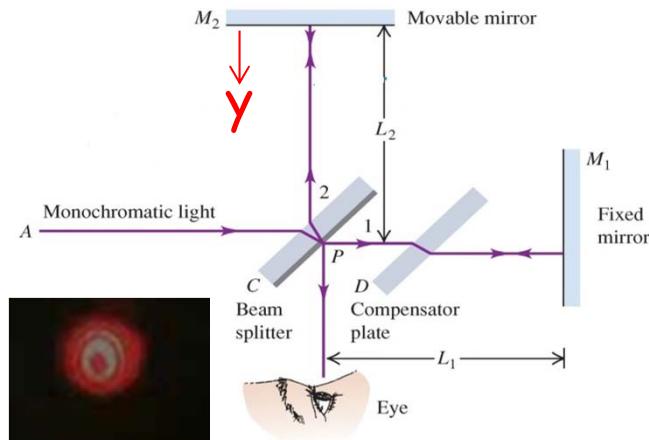
Phase shift =  $\pi$  &  $\pi$



$$t = \lambda_{\text{film}} / 4$$

$$\lambda_{\text{air}} = \lambda_{\text{film}} n_{\text{film}}$$

The Michelson  
Interferometer



$$y = m \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{2y}{m}$$





# Diffraction: Summary



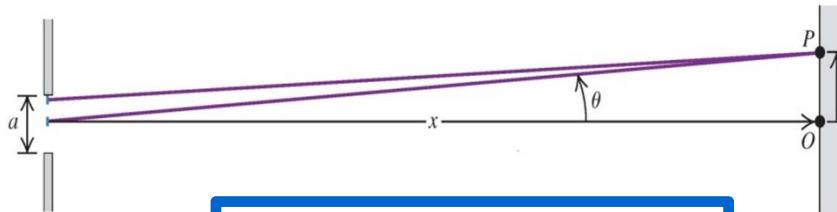
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## Chapter 36 Diffraction



# Diffraction: Summary

One broad slit:



$$\tan(\theta) = y / x \approx \sin(\theta)$$

$$I = I_0 \left[ \frac{\sin(\beta/2)}{\beta/2} \right]^2$$
$$\beta = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} a \sin \theta$$

Two broad slits:

$$I = I_0 \cos^2 \frac{\phi}{2} \left[ \frac{\sin(\beta/2)}{\beta/2} \right]^2$$

where

$$\phi = \frac{2\pi d}{\lambda} \sin \theta$$

$$\beta = \frac{2\pi a}{\lambda} \sin \theta$$

Path difference for principal maxima:  $\delta = d \sin(\theta) = m\lambda$

Chromatic resolving power:  $R = \frac{\lambda}{\Delta\lambda} = Nm$

Multiple slits:

