

# EEC 130A: Homework 1

Due: 3:30 pm, Jan. 15, 2013

1. (4 points) (FAE P1.1\*) A 2-kHz sound wave traveling in the  $x$ -direction in air was observed to have a differential pressure  $p(x, t) = 10 \text{ N/m}^2$  at  $x = 0$  and  $t = 50 \mu\text{s}$ . If the reference phase of  $p(x, t)$  is  $36^\circ$ , find a complete expression for  $p(x, t)$ . The velocity of sound in air is  $330 \text{ m/s}$ .

2.<sup>†</sup>(4 points) (FAE P1.7) A wave traveling along a string in the  $+x$ -direction is given by

$$y_1(x, t) = A \cos(\omega t - \beta x), \quad (1)$$

where  $x = 0$  is the end of the string, which is tied rigidly to a wall, as shown in Fig.1. When wave  $y_1(x, t)$  arrives at the wall, a reflected wave  $y_2(x, t)$  is generated. Hence, at any location on the string, the vertical displacement  $y_s$  is the sum of the incident and reflected waves:

$$y_s(x, t) = y_1(x, t) + y_2(x, t). \quad (2)$$

- (a) Write an expression for  $y_2(x, t)$ , keeping in mind its direction of travel and the fact that the end of the string can not move.
- (b) Generate plots of  $y_1(x, t)$ ,  $y_2(x, t)$  and  $y_s(x, t)$  versus  $x$  over the range  $-2\lambda \leq x \leq 0$  at  $\omega t = \pi/4$  and at  $\omega t = \pi/2$ .

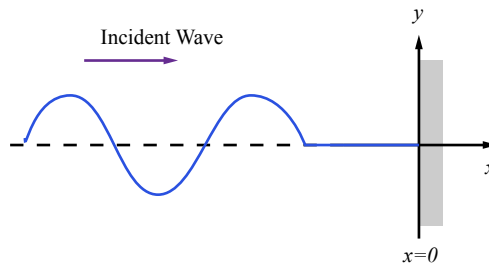


Figure 1: Wave on a string tied to a wall at  $x = 0$

3. (4 points) (FAE P1.11) The vertical displacement of a string is given by the harmonic function:

$$y(x, t) = 2 \cos(16\pi t - 20\pi x) \quad (m), \quad (3)$$

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\*Stands for “Fundamentals of Applied Electromagnetics”, 6th Ed., Problem 1.1

<sup>†</sup>The solution to this problem is available on the CD accompanying the textbook, but I strongly encourage you to try solving the problem on your own or through group discussion.

where  $x$  is the horizontal distance along the string in meters. Suppose a tiny particle were attached to the string at  $x = 5$  cm. Obtain an expression for the vertical velocity of the particle as a function of time.

4. (4 points) (FAE P1.13) The voltage of an electromagnetic wave traveling on a transmission line is given by

$$v(z, t) = 5e^{-\alpha z} \sin(4\pi \times 10^9 t - 20\pi z) \quad (V), \quad (4)$$

where  $z$  is the distance in meters from the generator.

(a) Find the frequency, wavelength, and phase velocity of the wave.

(b) At  $z = 2$  m, the amplitude of the wave was measured to be 2 V. Find  $\alpha$ .

5. (4 points) (FAE P1.22) If  $z = 3 - j5$ , find the value of  $\ln(z)$ .