

Longitudinal Waves

The particles of the medium oscillate in the direction of wave propagation.

Ex - Sound waves.

Eqn. for gaseous medium:-

As sound waves propagate, variation in pressure and density of the medium take place.

Consider a given mass of gas at equilibrium pressure P_0 , volume V_0 and density ρ_0 . Suppose when the waves propagate the pressure changes to $P = P_0 + p$, vol. changes to $V = V_0 + v$, and $\rho = \rho_0 + \rho_a$.

Let max. pressure amplitude be denoted by P_m and $dP = p$ be the fluctuating components superimposed on the equilibrium P_0 . The change in medium are very small.

Fractional vol change $\frac{v}{V_0} = \delta$

is called dilation.

Fractional change in density $\frac{\rho_1}{\rho_0} = s$
is condensation.

Since mass is constant.

$$\rho_0 V_0 = \rho V = \rho_0 V_0 (1+s)(1+\delta)$$

or $(1+s)(1+\delta) = 1$.

giving $\delta = -s$ (approximated).

which means dilation is equal and opposite to condensation.

The bulk modulus is a measure of ~~gas~~ compressibility

$$B = \frac{-dP}{dV/V} = -V \frac{dP}{dV}$$

ie ratio of change in pressure for a fractional change in volume. ~~per unit volume -ve sign~~

When sound wave propagates through gas, the total heat content of the system remains const. which means the process is adiabatic. for which

$$PV^\gamma = \text{const.}$$

γ = ratio of specific heats at constant pressure & volume.

Differentiating we get:

$$V^r dP + rP V^{r-1} dV = 0$$

$$V^r dP = -rP V^{r-1} dV$$

$$\frac{V^r dP}{V^{r-1} dV} = -rP$$

$$-V \frac{dP}{dV} = rP = B_a$$

∴ $rP = \text{const}$, because B_a is const for a material within limit

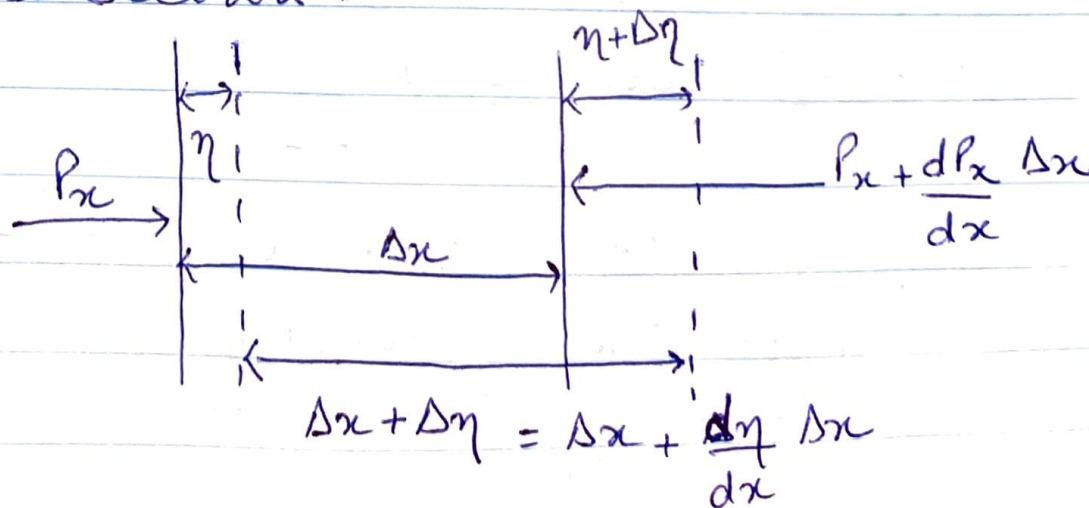
$$B_a = - \frac{P}{\delta}$$

$$\text{or } p = -B_a \delta = B_a \rho$$

Wave equation:

Let the displacement of wave along x -dirⁿ be $\eta(x, t)$

Consider the motion of an element of gaseous medium of thickness Δx and unit cross-section.



The particles in the layer x are displaced by a dist. η while those at $x + \Delta x$ are displaced by $\eta + \Delta\eta$. Thus the increase in thickness by Δx equals the increase in volume. :-

$$\Delta\eta = \frac{d\eta}{dx} \Delta x$$

$$\delta = \frac{V}{V_0} = \frac{d\eta}{dx} \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta x} = \frac{d\eta}{dx} = -s$$

where $\frac{d\eta}{dx}$ is the strain.

Net ~~force~~ force acting on the element :-

$$P_x - P_{x+\Delta x} = \left[P_x - \left(P_x + \frac{dP_x}{dx} \Delta x \right) \right]$$

$$= - \frac{dP_x}{dx} \Delta x = - \frac{d}{dx} (P_0 + p) \Delta x = - \frac{dp}{dx} \Delta x$$

$$\text{Mass of element} = \rho_0 \Delta x$$

$$\text{Acceleration} = \frac{d^2\eta}{dt^2}$$

Using Newton's second law :-

$$- \frac{dp}{dx} \Delta x = \rho_0 \Delta x \frac{d^2\eta}{dt^2}$$

Using $p = -B \Delta S = -B a \frac{d\eta}{dx}$.

we get $-\frac{dp}{dx} = B a \frac{d^2\eta}{dx^2}$

\therefore Comparing we get.

$$B a \frac{d^2\eta}{dx^2} = \rho_0 \frac{d^2\eta}{dt^2}$$

As $\frac{B a}{\rho_0} = \frac{r \rho}{\rho_0}$, it has the

following dimension: -

$$\frac{\text{force}}{\text{area}} \frac{\text{volume}}{\text{mass}} = (\text{velocity})^2$$

$$\therefore \frac{B a}{\rho_0} = v^2 = \frac{r \rho}{\rho_0}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{d^2\eta}{dx^2} = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{d^2\eta}{dt^2}}$$

is the wave eqn. of propagating sound wave.

If $\eta_m = \text{max amp of displacement}$
 $\eta = \eta_m e^{i(\omega t - kx)}$

Particle velocity $\frac{d\eta}{dt} = i\omega\eta$

Condensation $\delta = \frac{d\eta}{dx} = -ik\eta = -s$

∴ dilation $s = ik\eta$

Excess pressure $p = B a s = i B a k \eta$

Acoustic impedance

Impedance (resistance) offered by a medium to a wave is given as :-

specific acoustic impedance = $\frac{p}{d\eta/dt}$

We will state denoting $\frac{d\eta}{dt}$ as $\dot{\eta}$

$\rightarrow = \frac{\text{excess pressure}}{\text{particle velocity}}$

or ratio of force per unit area to the velocity.

$p = B a \delta = i B a k \eta$

∴ $\frac{p}{\dot{\eta}} = \frac{i B a k \eta}{i \omega \eta} = \frac{B a k}{\omega} = \frac{B a}{v} = \rho v$

∴ Acoustic impedance offered by a medium to the wave is equal to the product of density and the wave velocity.

Reflection and Transmission of Sound waves:

When a sound wave propagating in medium encounters a boundary separating two media of different acoustic impedances, the following two conditions should be met for reflection & transmission of waves:-

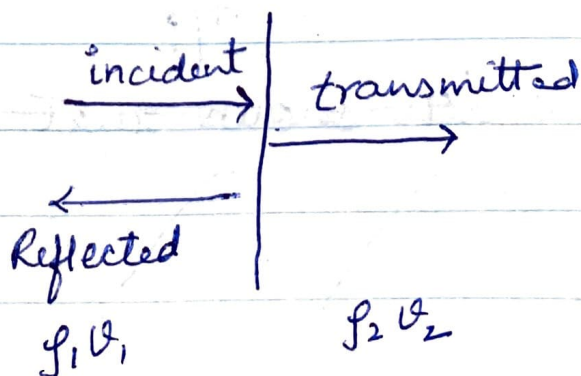
- 1) The particle velocity, $\dot{\eta}$
 - 2) Acoustic excess pressure, p
- should be continuous across boundary

Suppose a plane sound wave is propagating through a medium of $Z_1 = \rho_1 \bar{v}_1$. The wave is incident normally at an infinite plane boundary of second medium with impedance $= Z_2 = \rho_2 \bar{v}_2$. Above boundary condⁿ required

$$\dot{\eta}_i + \dot{\eta}_r = \dot{\eta}_t \quad \text{and} \quad \text{--- ①}$$

$$p_i + p_r = p_t$$

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For incident wave :-

$$p_i = f_1 v_1 \dot{\eta}_i$$

For reflected wave :-

$$p_r = -f_1 v_1 \dot{\eta}_r$$

For transmitted wave :-

$$p_t = f_2 v_2 \dot{\eta}_t$$

So,

$$f_1 v_1 \dot{\eta}_i - f_1 v_1 \dot{\eta}_r = f_2 v_2 \dot{\eta}_t$$

or $Z_1 \dot{\eta}_i - Z_1 \dot{\eta}_r = Z_2 \dot{\eta}_t$ — (3)

Eliminating $\dot{\eta}_t$ from (1) and (3)

$$Z_1 \dot{\eta}_i - Z_1 \dot{\eta}_r = Z_2 (\dot{\eta}_i + \dot{\eta}_r)$$

Simplify :-

$$\frac{\dot{\eta}_r}{\dot{\eta}_i} = \frac{Z_1 - Z_2}{Z_1 + Z_2}$$

But $\frac{\dot{\eta}_r}{\dot{\eta}_i} = \frac{i k \eta_r}{i k \eta_i} = \frac{\eta_r}{\eta_i} = \frac{Z_1 - Z_2}{Z_1 + Z_2}$ — (4)

Similarly eliminate $\dot{\eta}_r$:-

$$\frac{\dot{\eta}_t}{\dot{\eta}_i} = \frac{\eta_t}{\eta_i} = \frac{2 Z_1}{Z_1 + Z_2}$$

In terms of excess pressure :-

$$\frac{p_r}{p_i} = - \frac{Z_1 \dot{\eta}_r}{Z_1 \dot{\eta}_i} = \frac{Z_2 - Z_1}{Z_1 + Z_2} = - \frac{\dot{\eta}_r}{\dot{\eta}_i} \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

and

$$\frac{p_t}{p_i} = \frac{Z_2 \dot{\eta}_t}{Z_1 \dot{\eta}_i} = \frac{2Z_2}{Z_1 + Z_2}$$

From eqn. (4) & (5) it is clear that if $Z_1 > Z_2$, the incident and reflected particle velocities are in phase, and the incident & reflected acoustic pressures are in opposite phase.

If $Z_1 < Z_2$, the pressures are in one phase, velocities are out of phase.

The transmitted particle velocity and acoustic pressure are always in phase with incident counterparts.

Reflection and transmission of sound intensity

Intensity of sound waves is a measure of the energy flux, i.e., rate at which energy crosses unit area.

It is equal to the product of the energy density and velocity.

Intensity is thus :-

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \frac{1}{2} \rho_0 v \dot{\eta}_m^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \rho_0 v \omega^2 \eta_m^2 = \rho_0 v \dot{\eta}_{rms}^2 \\ &= \frac{\rho_{rms}^2}{\rho_0 v} = \rho_{rms} \dot{\eta}_{rms} \end{aligned}$$

To find the intensity coefficients of reflection and transmission of sound waves at the boundary b/w two media is :

$$\frac{I_r}{I_i} = \frac{Z_1 (\dot{\eta}_r^2)_{rms}}{Z_1 (\dot{\eta}_i^2)_{rms}} = \left(\frac{Z_1 - Z_2}{Z_1 + Z_2} \right)^2$$

$$\frac{I_t}{I_i} = \frac{Z_2 (\dot{\eta}_t^2)_{rms}}{Z_1 (\dot{\eta}_i^2)_{rms}} = \frac{Z_2}{Z_1} \left(\frac{Z_1}{Z_1 + Z_2} \right)^2 = \frac{4Z_1 Z_2}{(Z_1 + Z_2)^2}$$

Using above two expressions it can be shown that-

$$\frac{I_r}{I_i} + \frac{I_t}{I_i} = 1$$

or

$$\boxed{I_i = I_r + I_t}$$