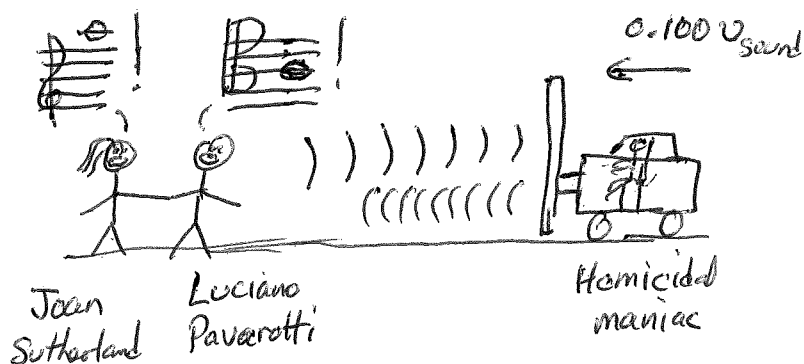


*. (6 points) Two opera singers (standing still) are singing a high A ($f = 880 \text{ Hz}$) and low A ($f = 220 \text{ Hz}$), respectively, when a car carrying a sound-reflecting wall is travelling towards them at 0.100 times the speed of sound. Determine the frequencies of the reflected sound waves, as would be heard by the opera singers.

Note: No opera singers were harmed during the construction of this question or its solution.



f_s = frequency of source (singer) = 880 Hz or 220 Hz

f_R = frequency as determined by a hypothetical detector at reflecting wall,

f_D = frequency at final detector (singers again)

$$S \rightarrow R: f_R/f_s = \frac{1 - v_R/v_w}{1 - v_s/v_w} = \frac{1 - (-0.100/v_w)/v_w}{1 - 0} = 1.100$$

$$R \rightarrow D: f_D/f_R = \frac{1 - v_D/v_w}{1 - v_R/v_w} = \frac{1 - 0}{1 - (-0.100/v_w)/(-v_w)} = \frac{1}{0.900} = 1.111$$

(treat reflecting wall as a source)

$$\Rightarrow f_D = (1.100)(\frac{1}{0.900}) f_s = 1.222 f_s = \begin{cases} 1075.5 \text{ Hz} \\ 268.8 \text{ Hz} \end{cases}$$

$$12 \log_2(1.222) = 3.47 \text{ half-steps}$$

\Rightarrow just about half way between C^b and C^\sharp above the respective A 's.