

Wave Interference

And
Numerical problems

Wave

$$y = y_m \sin(kx \pm \omega t + \phi).$$

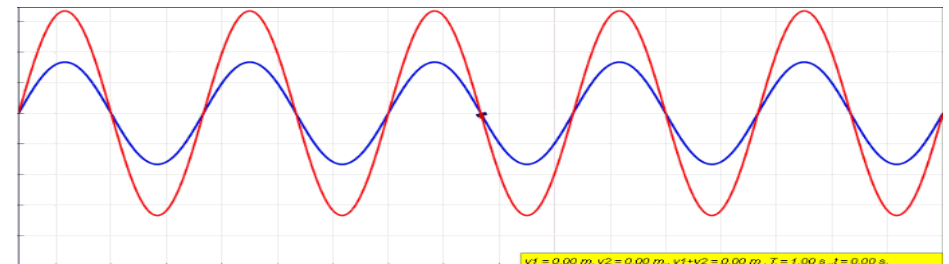
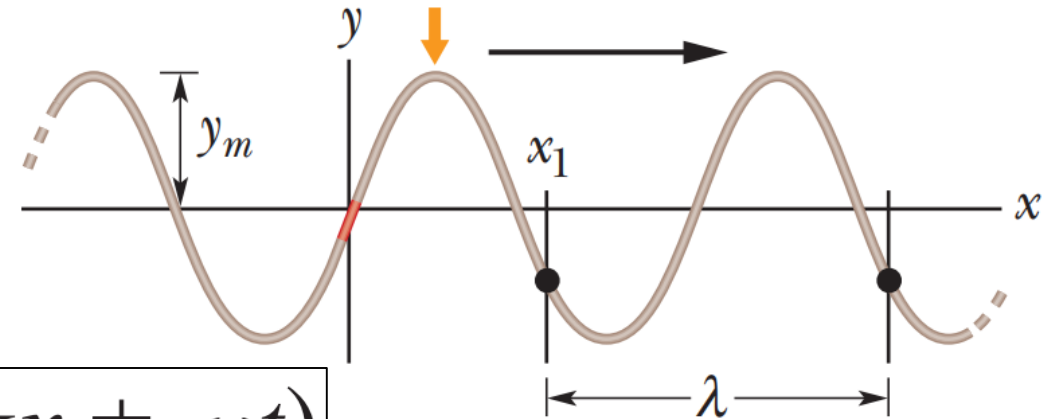
$$y(x, t) = h(kx \pm \omega t)$$

$$P_{\text{avg}} = \frac{1}{2} \mu v \omega^2 y_m^2 \quad (\text{average power}).$$

$$v = \frac{\omega}{k} = \frac{\lambda}{T} = \lambda f$$

$$y'(x, t) = [2y_m \cos \frac{1}{2}\phi] \sin(kx - \omega t + \frac{1}{2}\phi).$$

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Sample Problem 16.01 Determining the quantities in an equation for a transverse wavehomework

A string has linear density $\mu = 525 \text{ g/m}$ and is under tension $\tau = 45 \text{ N}$. We send a sinusoidal wave with frequency $f = 120 \text{ Hz}$ and amplitude $y_m = 8.5 \text{ mm}$ along the string. At what average rate does the wave transport energy?

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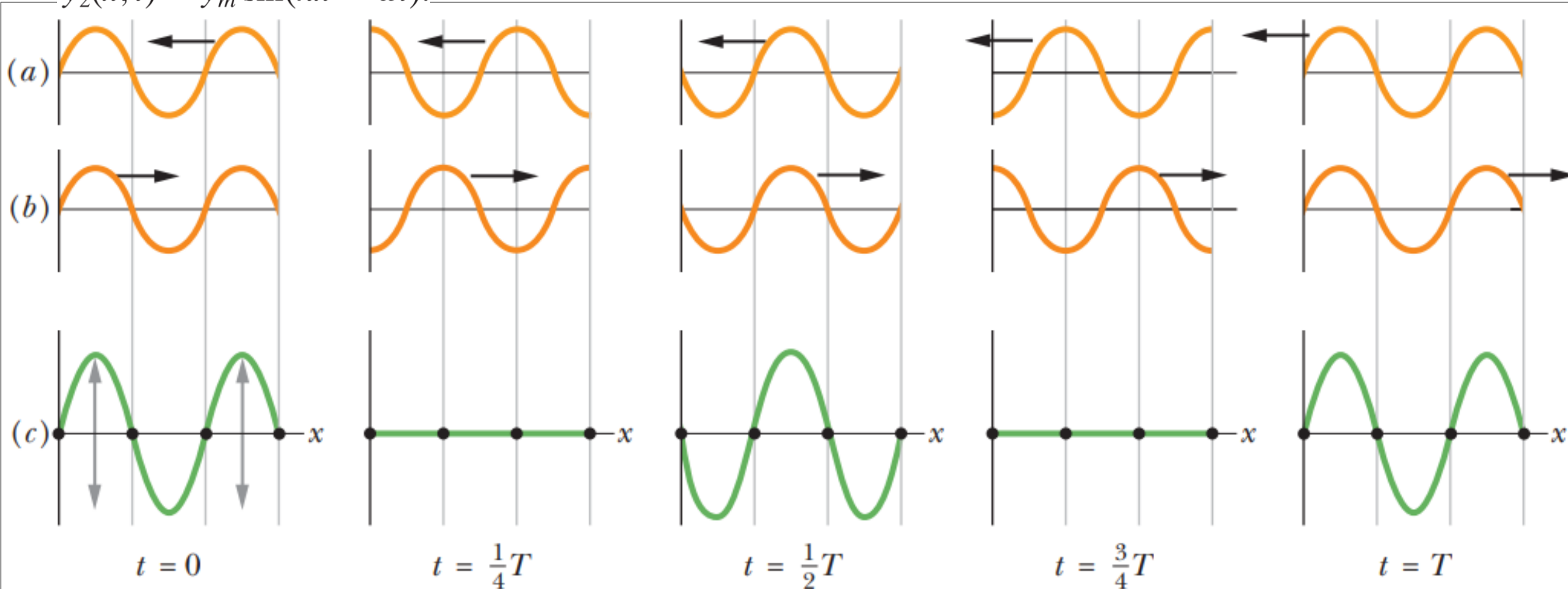
(b) What phase difference, in radians and wavelengths, will give the resultant wave an amplitude of 4.9 mm?

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$$y_2(x, t) = y_m \sin(kx + \omega t).$$

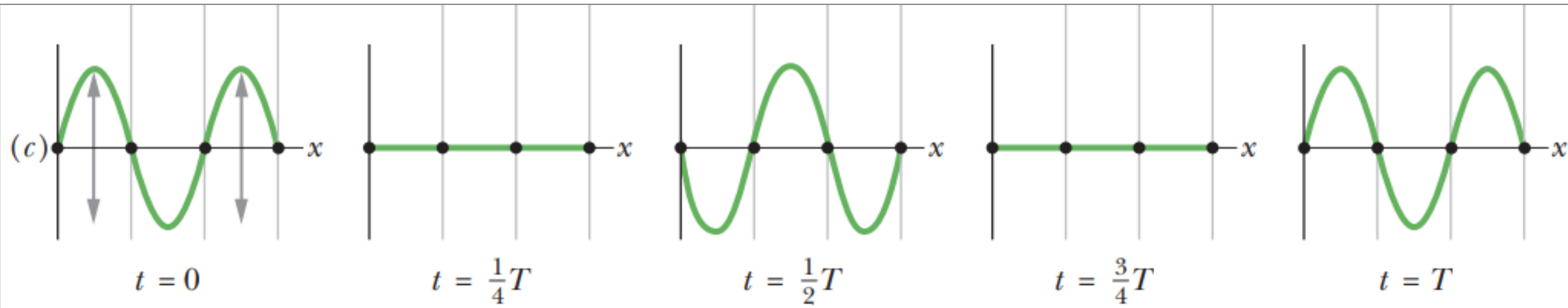
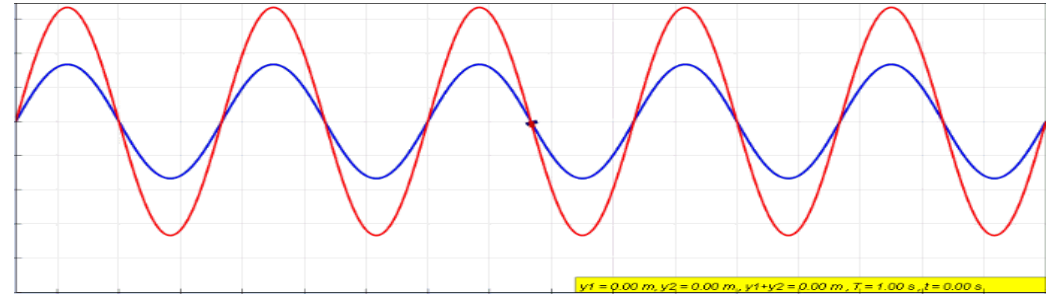
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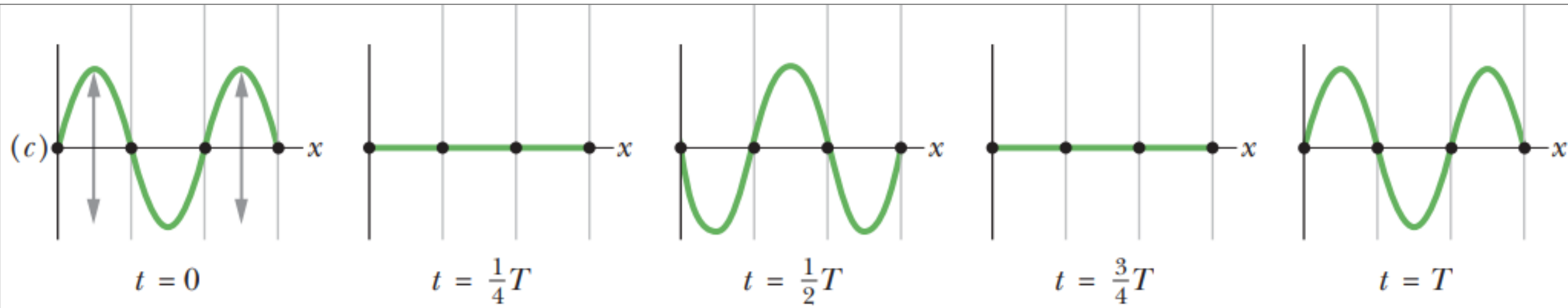
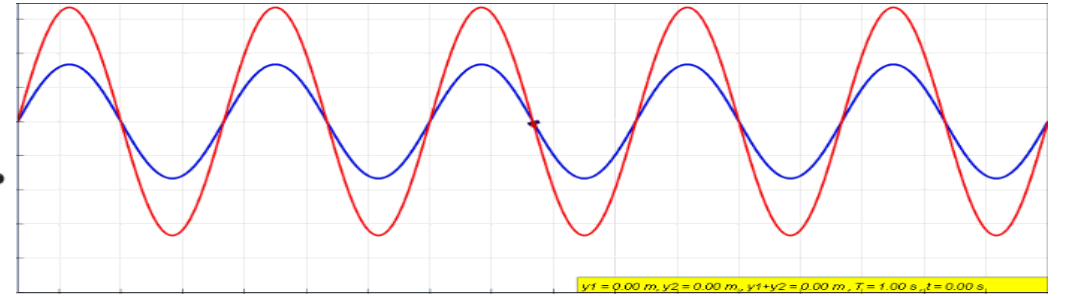
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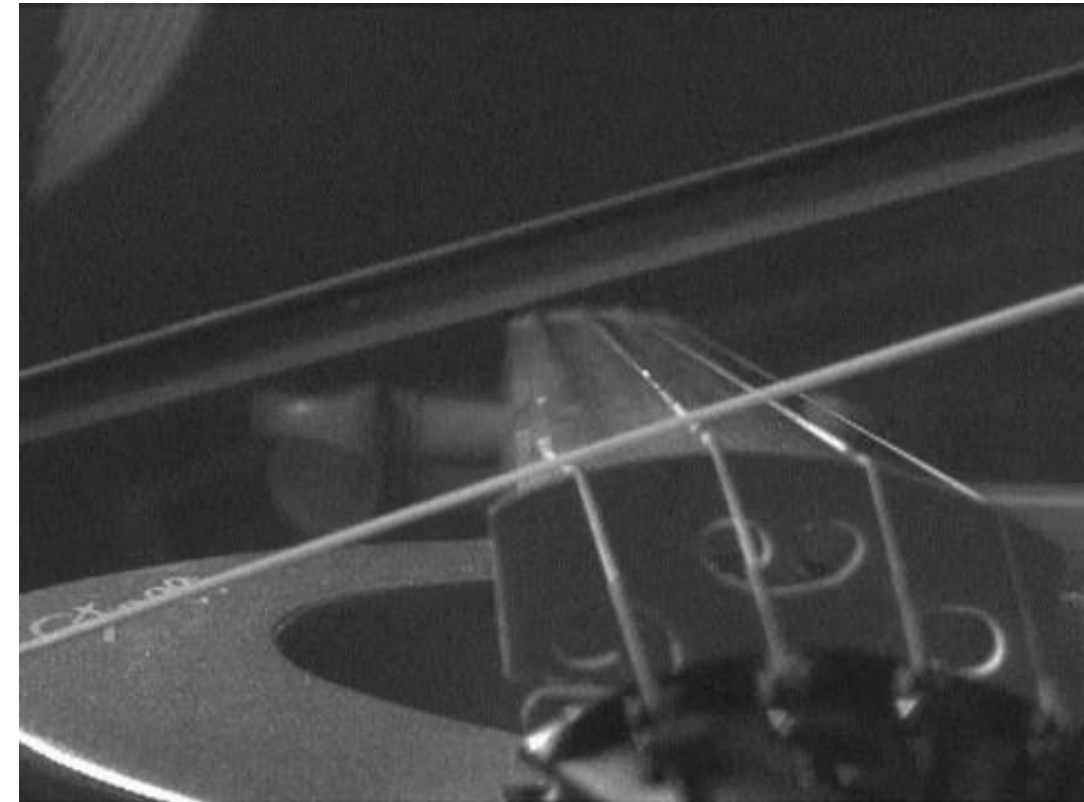
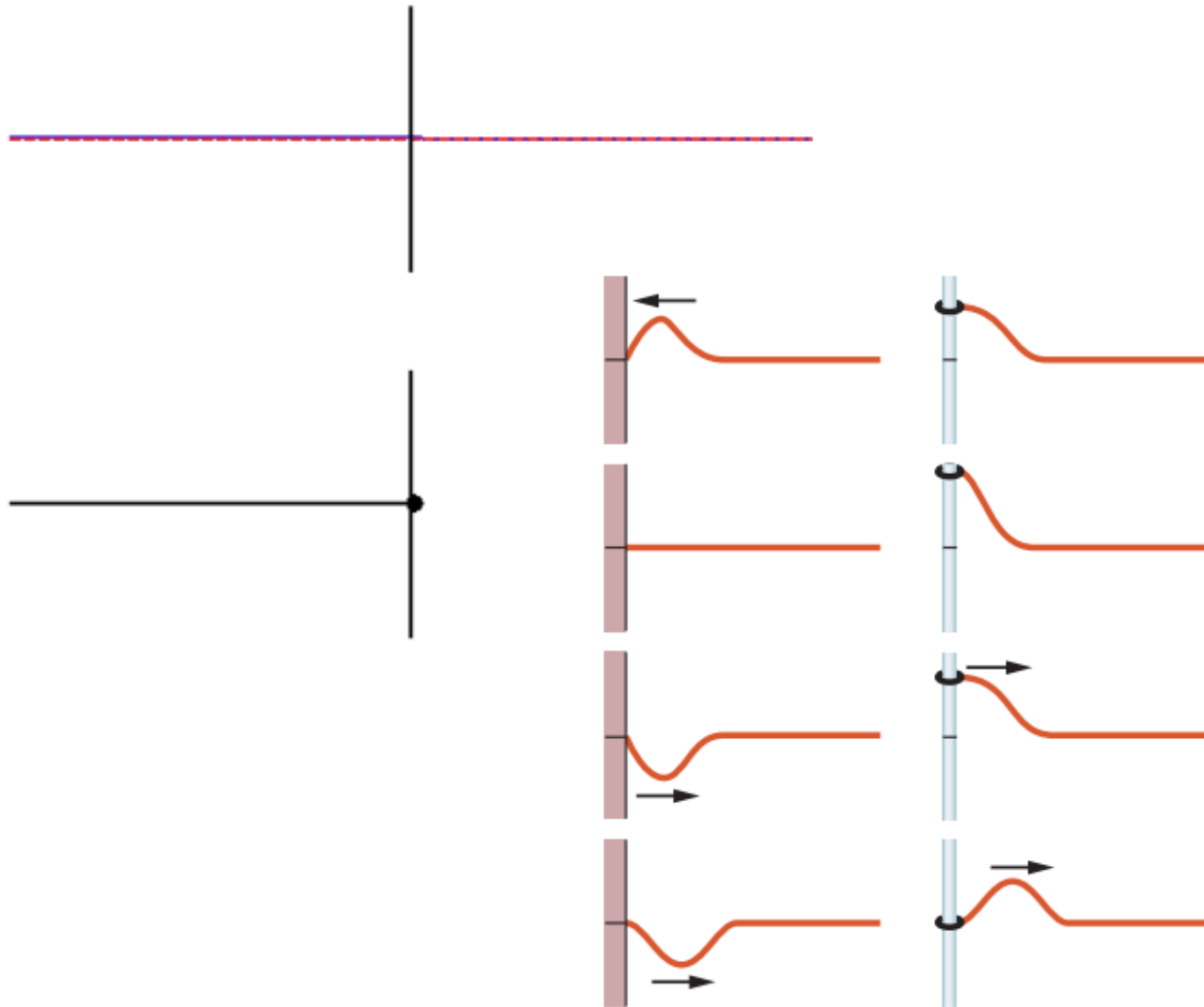
Points of Maximum Amplitude

$$kx = \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi, \quad \text{for } n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

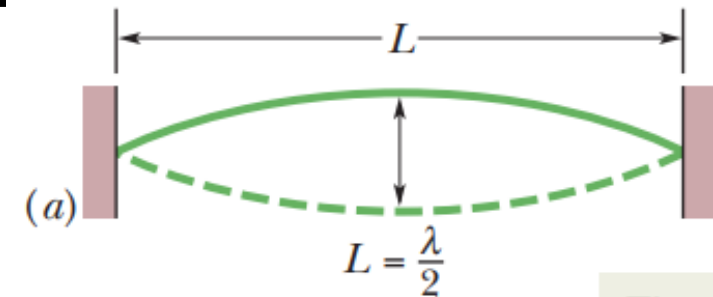
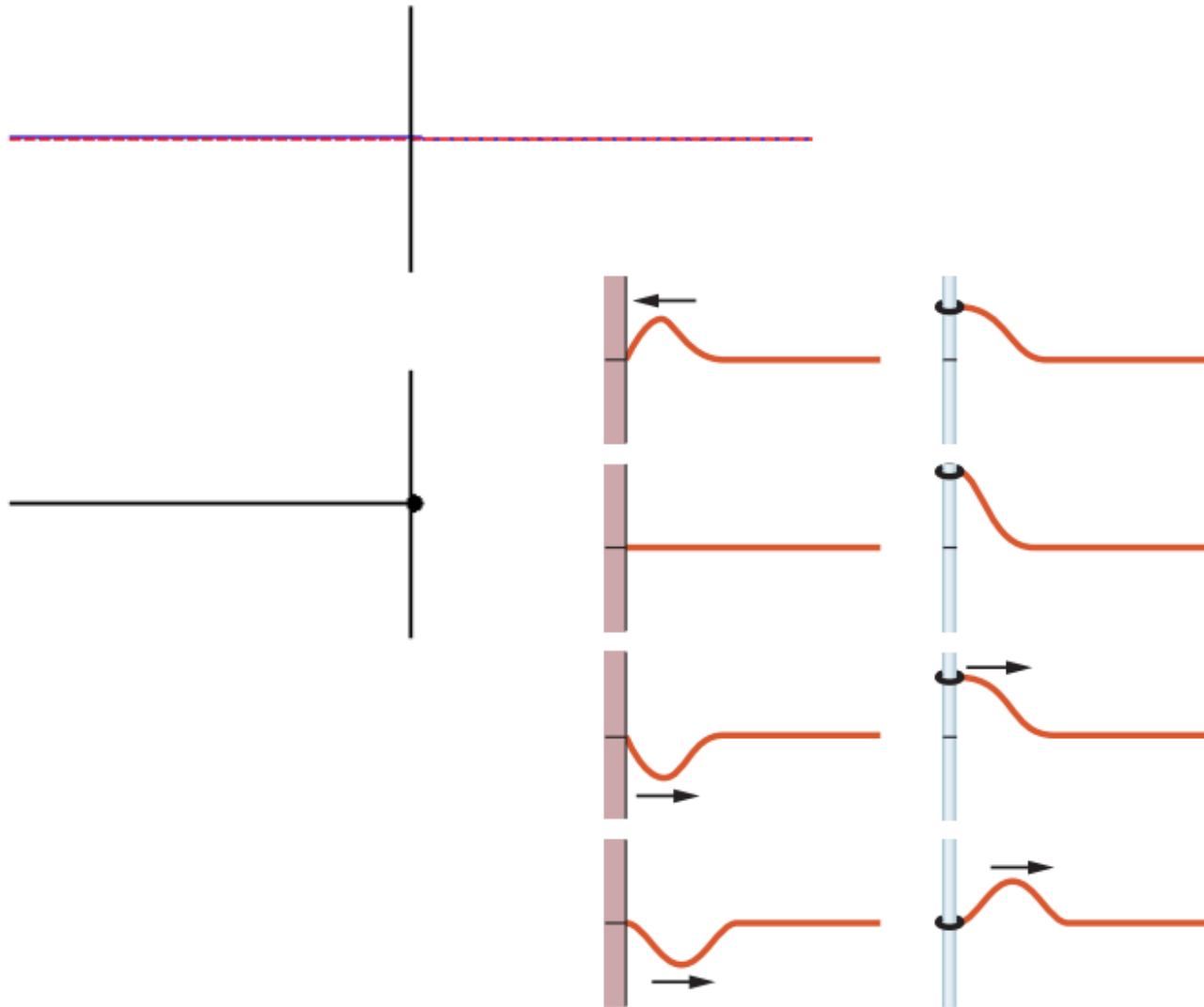
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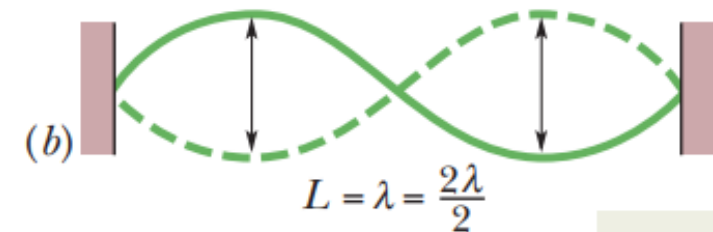
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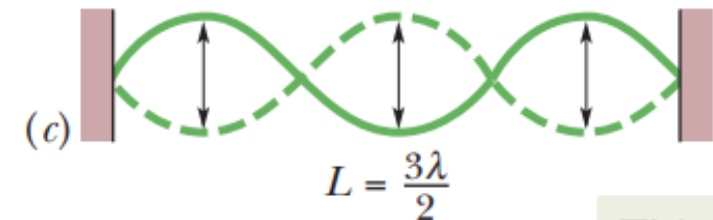
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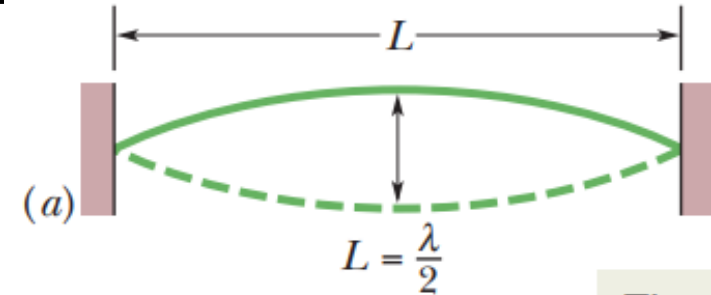


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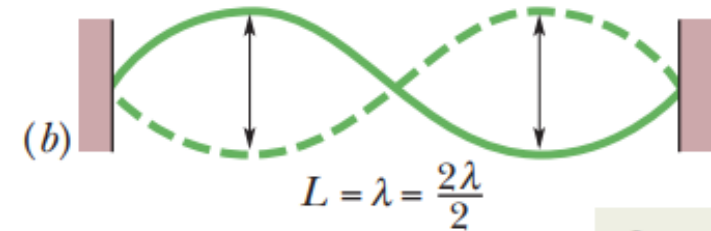
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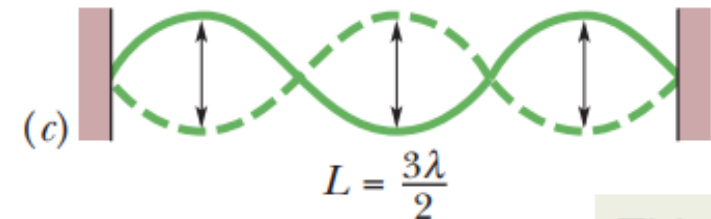
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Figure 16-23 shows resonant oscillation of a string of mass $m = 2.500$ g and length $L = 0.800$ m and that is under tension $\tau = 325.0$ N. What is the wavelength λ of the transverse waves producing the standing wave pattern, and what is the harmonic number n ? What is the frequency f of the transverse waves and of the oscillations of the moving string elements? What is the maximum magnitude of the transverse velocity u_m of the element oscillating at coordinate $x = 0.180$ m? At what point during the element's oscillation is the transverse velocity maximum?

