

Wave Motion Video Activities File

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Why not B "along"?

Strictly speaking, "parallel" oscillatory motion of particles in longitudinal waves is back-&-forth motion whereas there is some ambiguity in "along".

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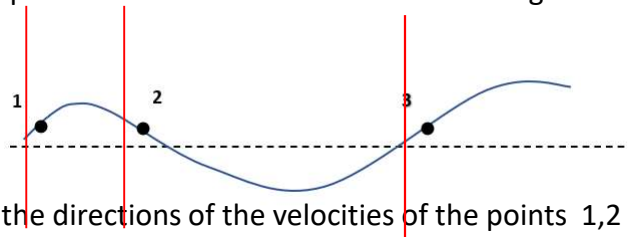
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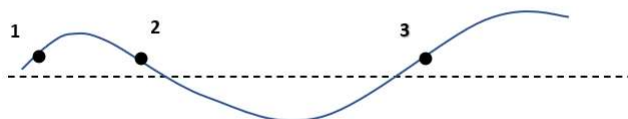
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C. $4x$

D. $2x$

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$$\Rightarrow \frac{\text{amplitude at } 2r}{\text{amplitude at } r} = \frac{r}{2r}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{amplitude at } 2r = \frac{1}{2}(8x) = 4x$$

Answer: C

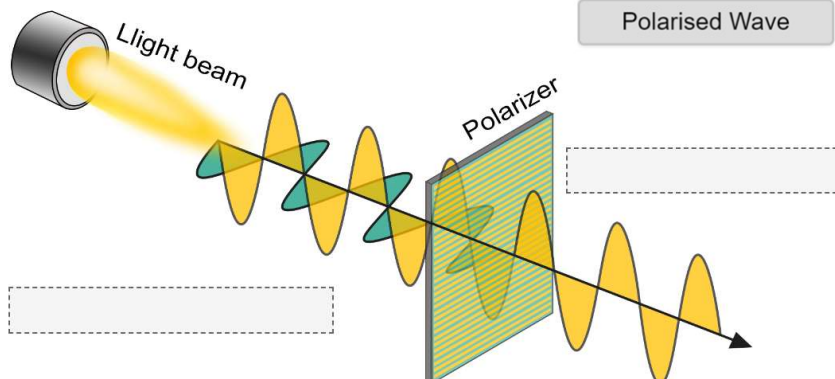
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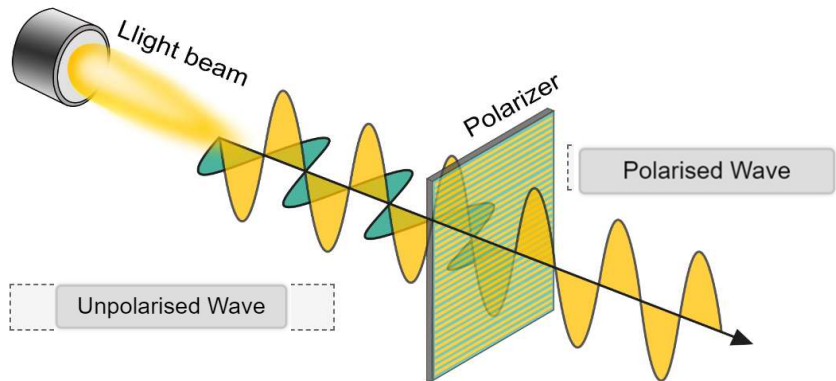
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Unpolarised light cannot pass through only when the polarisation planes are 90° to each other.

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