

- 5 The variation with time  $t$  of the displacement  $x$  of a point in a transverse wave  $T_1$  is shown in Fig. 5.1.

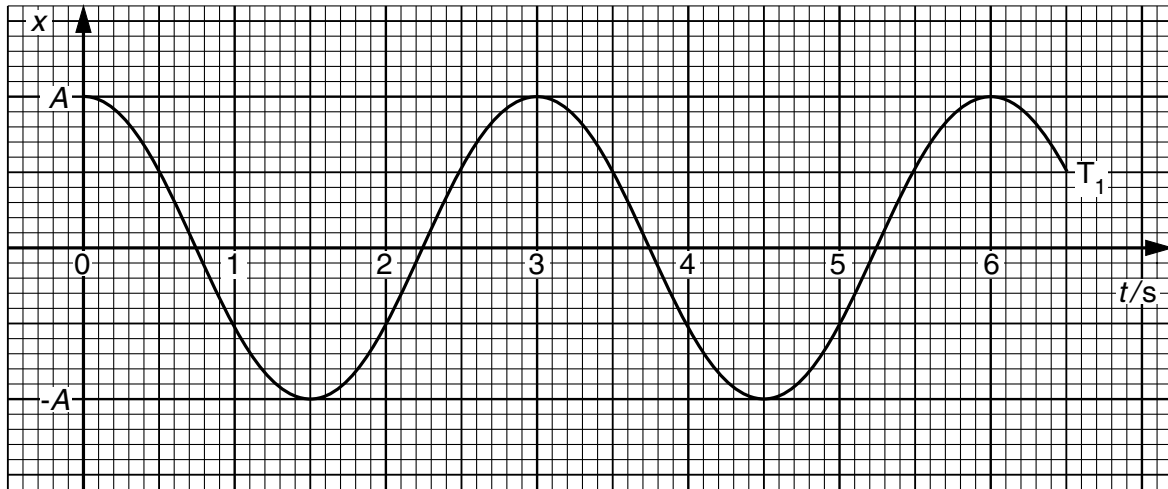


Fig. 5.1

- (a) By reference to displacement and direction of travel of wave energy, explain what is meant by a *transverse wave*.

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- (b) A second transverse wave  $T_2$ , of amplitude  $A$  has the same waveform as wave  $T_1$  but lags behind  $T_1$  by a phase angle of  $60^\circ$ . The two waves  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  pass through the same point.

- (i) On Fig. 5.1, draw the variation with time  $t$  of the displacement  $x$  of the point in wave  $T_2$ . [2]

- (ii) Explain what is meant by the *principle of superposition* of two waves.

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- (iii) For the time  $t = 1.0$  s, use Fig. 5.1 to determine, in terms of  $A$ ,

1. the displacement due to wave  $T_1$  alone,

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2. the displacement due to wave  $T_2$  alone,

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3. the resultant displacement due to both waves.

displacement = .....

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