

- Let us denote  $\frac{\bar{I}}{\mu} = c^2$  for reasons which will become clear momentarily.

$$\therefore \frac{\lambda_0}{T_0} = \sqrt{\frac{\bar{I}}{\mu}} = c \quad \therefore \boxed{\lambda_0 = c T_0}$$

Wave eqn:

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial x^2}}$$

- Consider  $s(x, t) = s(x - v_0 t) \equiv s(w)$   
 $w = x - v_0 t$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial s}{\partial x} = \frac{ds}{dw} \cdot \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x}\right)}_{=1} = \frac{ds}{dw} \quad \therefore \boxed{\frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial x^2} = \frac{d^2 s}{dw^2}}$$

$$\frac{\partial s}{\partial t} = \frac{ds}{dw} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{\partial w}{\partial t}}_{=-v_0} = -v_0 \frac{ds}{dw}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial t^2} = v_0^2 \frac{d^2 s}{dw^2}$$

$\therefore$  Substituting into the above wave eqn,

$$v_0^2 \frac{d^2 s}{dw^2} = c^2 \frac{d^2 s}{dw^2}$$

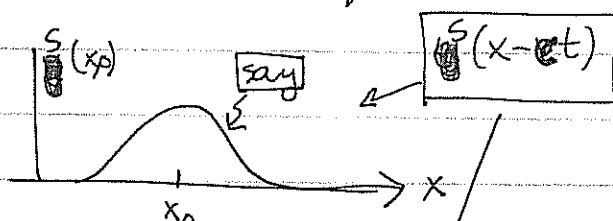
$\therefore s(x - v_0 t)$  is a solution to the wave eqn  
 if  $v_0 = c$

- But  $s(x-vt)$  is a very general function. It could be  $\cos(x-vt)$ , or just  $(x-vt)$  or  $e^{(x-vt)}$  or anything!

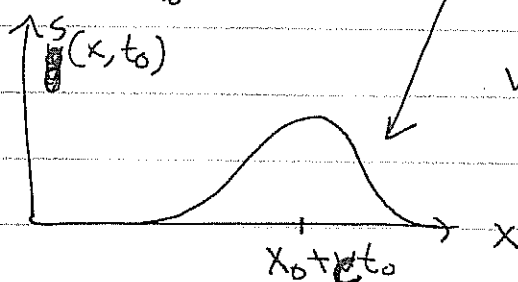
- Check that  $s(x+vt)$  is also similarly a general solution to the wave eqn

Example

$t=0$



$t=t_0$



We know this because

$$s(x, t_0) = f(x - vt_0)$$

$$= s(x - vt_0, 0)$$

$\therefore$  Value of " $s$ " at a given point is the same as it was at an earlier time (by  $t_0$ ) at a space point to the left (by  $vt_0$ )

$\therefore c \equiv$  "speed of the wave"

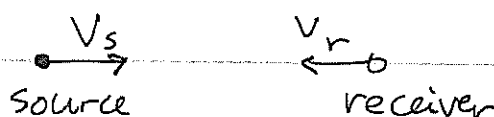
• Note:

$$\lambda_0 = c T_0$$

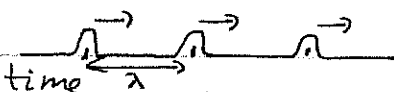
wavelength
speed
period

\* Doppler effect :- (Just for this section, let speed of sound in air be called "c")

Consider a sound source moving with speed  $V_s$  towards a receiver, <sup>which is</sup> moving with speed  $V_r$  towards the source



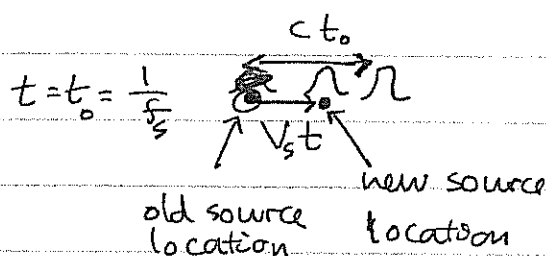
View solutions to the wave eq<sup>n</sup> in the form of "pulses" :-



the ~~distance~~ <sup>time</sup> between these pulses is  $\frac{1}{f_s}$  where  $f_s$  is the "source frequency".  $f_s = \frac{c}{\lambda_0}$  where  $c$  = speed of sound in air.

Look at these pulses sent out by the source at times  $0, \frac{1}{f_s}, \frac{2}{f_s}, \dots$

$t=0$



next pulse is emitted when 1<sup>st</sup> pulse has travelled distance  $\frac{c}{f_s} = c t_0$  but by then the source itself has moved by  $V_s t_0 = V_s \cdot \frac{1}{f_s}$

$$\therefore \text{Distance between 2 consecutive pulses} \equiv \lambda' = (c - V_s) \cdot \frac{1}{f_s}$$

$$\therefore \text{"new wavelength"} \lambda' = (c - V_s) \cdot \frac{1}{f_s} = \left(\frac{c}{f_s}\right) \left(1 - \frac{V_s}{c}\right)$$

$$\lambda' = \lambda_0 \left(1 - \frac{V_s}{c}\right)$$

$\therefore$  Wavelength has decreased due to sound source moving in the direction of receiver

Next consider the receiver:-



The receiver sees pulses spaced apart by  $\lambda' = \lambda_0 \left(1 - \frac{v_s}{c}\right)$  and is whizzing past these at speed  $(v_r + c)$  effectively.

The time interval between successive pulses as perceived by the receiver is thus

$$T_r = \frac{\lambda'}{v_r + c} = \lambda_0 \left(1 - \frac{v_s}{c}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{(v_r + c)}$$

$$\frac{1}{f_r} = \frac{1}{f_s} \left( \frac{c - v_s}{c + v_r} \right)$$

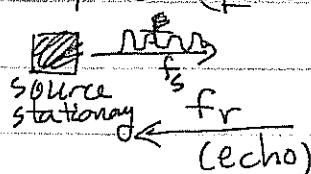
∴ Frequency as perceived by receiver is

$$f_r = f_s \frac{(c + v_r)}{(c - v_s)}$$

Wavelength as perceived by receiver is

$$\lambda_r = \lambda' = \lambda_0 \left(1 - \frac{v_s}{c}\right)$$

- Knowing the frequencies  $f_s$  &  $f_r$  and one of the velocities tells us the other velocity. This is used in Doppler ultrasound, where a stationary source is used to bounce waves off a moving object (eg: blood cells) to measure the ~~object~~ object speed (eg: blood flow speed)



blood cell moving

echo freq. is

$$f_r = f_s \left( \frac{c + v}{c - v} \right)$$

We know  $f_s, f_r, c$  ( $c$  = speed in tissue)

- From a wave point of view, the change in frequency is simply because what I call "x" as a stationary source is called " $(x - v_r t)$ " by a receiver moving towards me (source).

$$A \cos(k_0 x - \omega_0 t) \quad k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_0} ; \omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} = 2\pi f_s$$

transforms into

$$A \cos(k_0 (x - v_r t) - \omega_0 t) = A \cos(k_0 x - \underbrace{(\omega_0 + k_0 v_r)}_{\omega_r} t)$$

$$\therefore \omega_r = \omega_0 + k_0 v_r = \omega_0 + \left(\frac{\omega_0}{c}\right) v_r = \omega_0 \left(1 + \frac{v_r}{c}\right)$$

$$\therefore \boxed{f_r = f_s \left(1 + \frac{v_r}{c}\right)}$$

- Doppler effect is used by bats, for example, who use echo[location] to determine ~~the~~ the location & speed of their prey (insects).