Physics 115 Lecture 15

The Doppler Effect II February 27, 2018

The Doppler Effect

Suppose the source stays in one spot, but observer B approaches it:



Observer B measures a <u>higher</u> frequency than does observer A.

Listener approaches stationary source



Note: Frequency detected by listener = 1 / T

$$\Rightarrow f_{\text{listener}} = 1 / T \Rightarrow T = 1 / f_{\text{listener}}$$

Listener approaches stationary source



Listener recedes from stationary source





Use the upper sign when the source and the listener are approaching one another. Use the lower sign when the source and the listener are receding from one another. Measure all speeds in the rest frame of the wave propagation medium. Which of the following properties of a wave does NOT change due to the Doppler effect?

A. wavelengthB. speedC. frequencyD. They all change.

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- **B.** speed
- C. frequency
- D. They all change.

The speed of a wave is determined by the properties of the medium, not the speed of the source or the observer. If a listener moves at 10 m/s toward a 2000-Hz sound source, while the source moves toward the listener at 20 m/s, what is the perceived frequency? c_{air} = 340 m/s







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- A. 2187.5 Hz
- B. 1944.4 Hz
- C. 2062.5 Hz
- D. 1833.3 Hz

Choose the top sign because each is approaching:

$$f_{\text{listener}} = f_{\text{source}} \left(\frac{c_{\text{air}} + v_{\text{listener}}}{c_{\text{air}} - v_{\text{source}}} \right)$$
$$= (2000 \text{ Hz}) \left(\frac{340 + 10 \text{ m/s}}{340 - 20 \text{ m/s}} \right)$$
$$f_{\text{listener}} = 2187.5 \text{ Hz}$$

Class Quiz: Which produces the higher detected frequency, a 110-Hz horn moving toward you at 12 m/s or a 220-Hz horn moving away from you with a speed of 24 m/s? c_{air} = 340 m/s

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B. Horn moving away from you
C. You detect the same frequency from each.





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- **B. Horn moving away from you**
- C. You detect the same frequency f_{listener}

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$$= (110 \text{ Hz}) \left(\frac{340 + 0 \text{ m/s}}{340 - 12 \text{ m/s}} \right)$$

Horn moving away from you:

= 114 Hz

$$f_{\text{listener}} = f_{\text{source}} \left(\frac{c_{\text{air}} - v_{\text{listener}}}{c_{\text{air}} + v_{\text{source}}} \right)$$

$$=(220 \text{ Hz})($$

$$\frac{340 - 0 \text{ m/s}}{340 + 24 \text{ m/s}}$$

 $f_{\text{listener}} = 205 \text{ Hz}$

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In-class activity sheet

Did you complete the in-class activity?

