

Tahsili Physics (Waves and Sound) Cheat Sheet by TheGoldenClover via cheatography.com/201551/cs/42880/

Periodic Motion	
Periodic Motion	motion in which the restoring force is directly proportional to the displacement (springs and pendulum)
Hook's Law	states that the force required to compress a spring by a distance is proprtional to the distance
Hook's Law Equation	F = -kd (k is the spring constant)
PE of a spring	$PE = 1/2 \times k \times d^2$
application of a simple pendulum	to determine the gravitational acceleration
Periodic Time	$T = 2(pi)\sqrt{(L/g)}$

Mechanical Waves		
Transversal Waves	waves that oscillate perpendicularly to their direction of motion	
Longitudinal Waves	waves that oscillate in the same direction as their motion	
Surface Waves	waves that move perpendicularly and parallel to the direction of motion	
One dimesional wave	ex: Rope	
Two dimensional Wave	ex: water waves	
Three dimens- ional waves	ex: sound and EM waves	

Doppler Effect		
Doppler Effect	the change in frequency produced by a moving source with respect to an observer	
Doppler Effect Formula	$fo = fs(v\pm vo / v\pm vs)$	
vo is positive if the observer moves towards the source	vs is positive if the source moves away from the observer	

Waves	
Mechanical Wave	a wave that requires a medium to translate in
Electromagnetic Wave	a wave that does not require a medium

Waves (cont)	
Amplitude	the maximum displacement from the equilibrium position
Periodic Time	the time needed to complete one full cycle
Frequency	the number of cycles completed in one second
Frequency Formula	f = 1/T
Wavelength (λ)	The distance between two crests or troughs
Wavelength Formula	$\lambda = v / f$ (v is the wave speed)
The energy carried by a wave is directly proportional to the amplitude squared	

Standing Waves	
standing waves	a combination of two waves moving in opposite directions, while having the same amplitude and frequency
Nodes	positions on a standing wave where the wave stays in a fixed position due to the destructive interference
Antinodes	positions on a standing wave with the highest amplitude
the number of nodes are always greater than the number of antinodes	

Sound Waves	
Sound wave	a longitudinal wave composed of compressions and rarefactions, and whose speed is directly proportional to temperature
Loudness	depends on amplitude
Pitch	depends on frequency
Sound Intensity	the relative sound intensity compared to a specific standard intensity expressed in decibels
humans can hear noises between 20 Hz and 20,000 Hz	

Standing Waves in Air Columns	
Formula for two open ends (antinodes are greater)	$\lambda = 2L / n$ (n is the harmonic level)
Formula for a closed column (nodes = antinodes)	$\lambda = 4L / n$ (n is the harmonic level)



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