



UNIT -1
WAVES

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INTRODUCTION:

Oscillatory motion:

Motion that moves to and fro about mean position

Oscillator:

Body that oscillates

Examples of oscillatory motion:

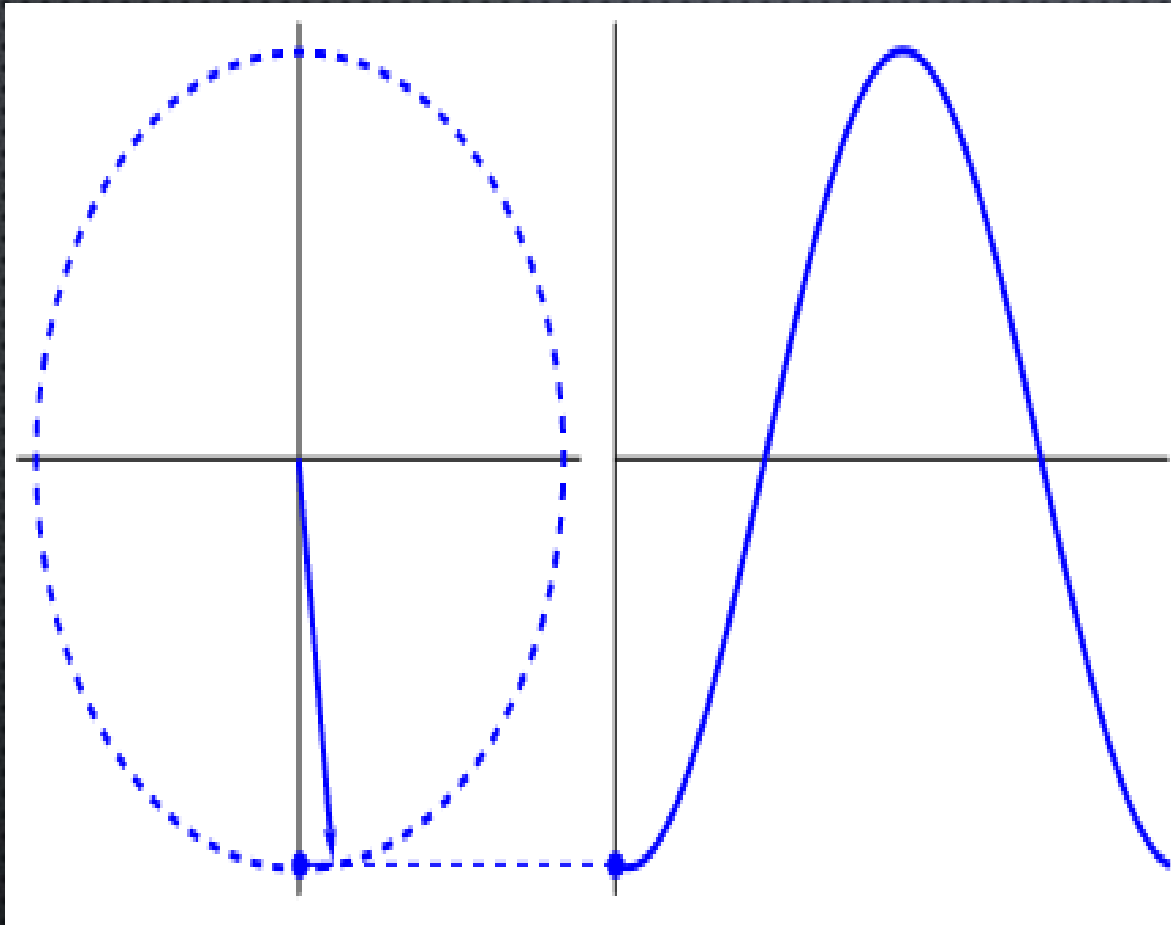
- 1) Motion of pendulum in a clock.
- 2) Motion of vibrating string
- 3) Motion of prongs of tuning fork
- 4) Motion of needle of sewing machine

Periodic Motion:

Motion that repeats itself after equal interval of time



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INTRODUCTION:

Period:

Time taken to complete one oscillation

Frequency:

Number of oscillations performed by body in unit time

Waves:

An Oscillatory disturbance travelling through medium without of change of form

Wave Motion:

Mode of transfer of energy
from one point to another
Through material medium

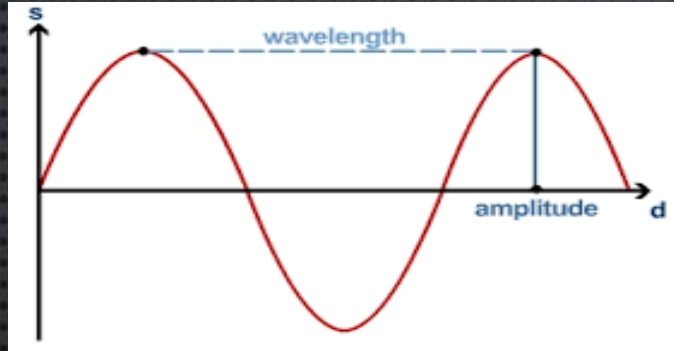
In the form of oscillatory disturbance

Wave motion transfer energy not matter

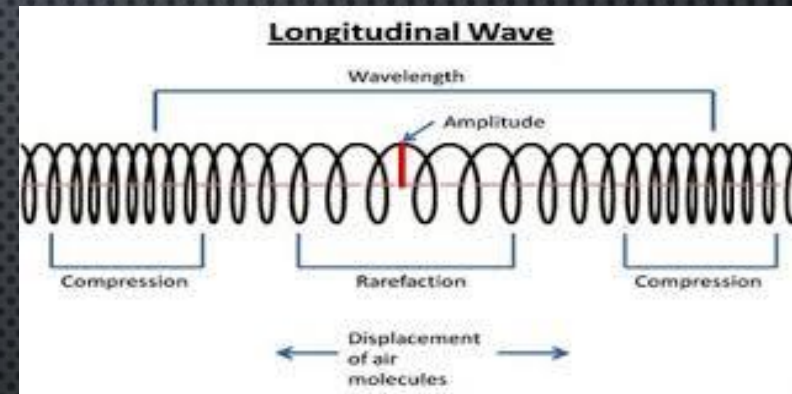


Progressive waves:

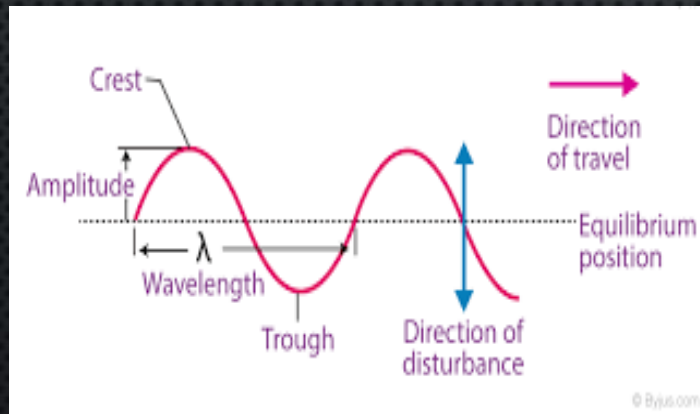
Waves continuously travels in specific direction



Longitudinal waves:



Transverse waves:





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Characteristics of waves

Amplitude(A):

Maximum displacement of particle from mean position on both sides

SI unit : meter

Wavelength (λ):

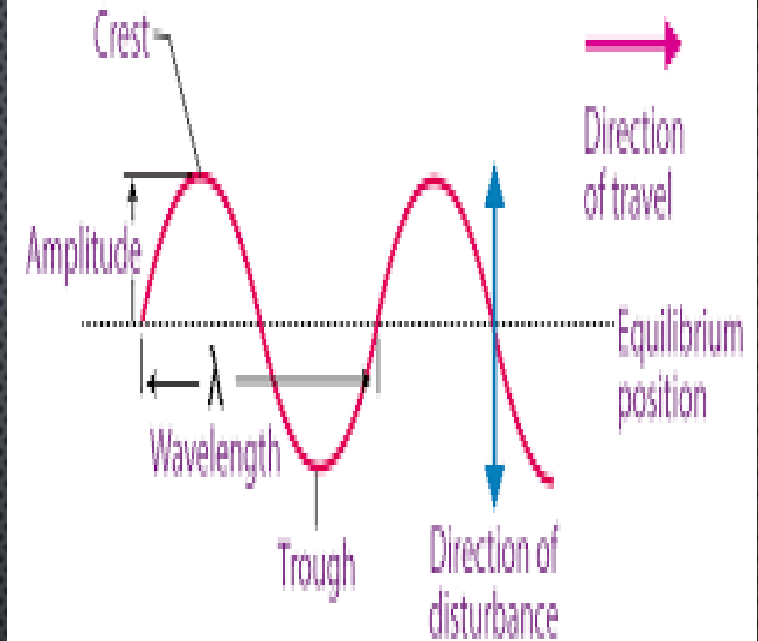
Distance between two successive particles which are in the same state of vibration

SI Unit :meter

Frequency (n):

Number of oscillations per unit time

SI Unit: hertz (Hz)





RELATION BETWEEN WAVE VELOCITY, WAVELENGTH AND FREQUENCY

Wave velocity(v):

Distance covered by oscillatory disturbance per second.

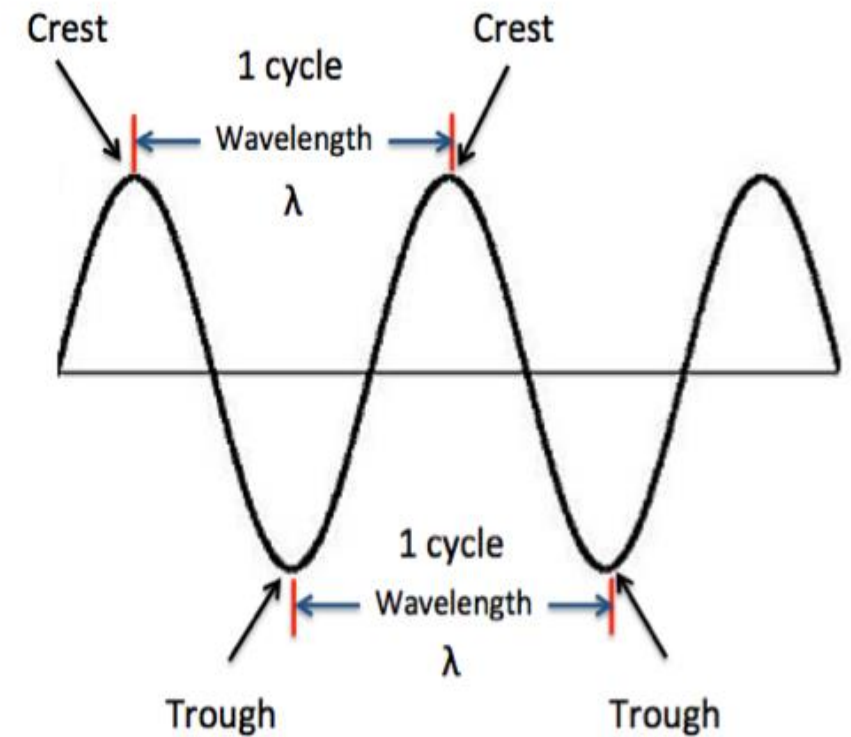
Wave velocity

$$(v) = \frac{\text{Distance covered by wave in one oscillation}}{\text{Time required}}$$

$$v = \frac{\text{wavelength}}{\text{Time}} = \frac{\lambda}{T} \quad \text{But } \frac{1}{T} = \text{Frequency}(n)$$

$$v = n\lambda$$

Wave velocity = wave length x Frequency



Crest, Trough and Wavelength



NUMERICAL PROBLEMS:

Prob.1: A sounding source sends out waves of length 1.5m in air. If the velocity of sound in air is 330m/s ,what is the frequency of sounding source?

SOLUTION:

given data :

velocity of waves $v = 330\text{m/s}$

Wavelength of waves $\lambda = 1.5\text{m}$

Frequency of source $n = ?$

Formula: $v = n\lambda$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore n &= \frac{v}{\lambda} \\ &= \frac{330}{1.5} = 220\text{Hz}\end{aligned}$$

Frequency of sounding source $n = 220\text{Hz}$



NUMERICAL PROBLEMS:

Prob.2: The frequency of vibrating tuning fork is 480 Hz and velocity of sound in air is 320m/s. How far have sound waves reached when tuning fork has completed 120 vibrations?

SOLUTION:

given data : velocity of waves $v = 320\text{m/s}$

Wavelength of waves $\lambda = ?$

Frequency of source $n = 480\text{ Hz}$

Distance covered by wave in 120 vibrations = ?

Formula:

$$v = n\lambda$$

$$\therefore \lambda = \frac{v}{n} = \frac{320}{480} = 0.66\text{m}$$

In one vibration wave covers a distance = $\lambda = 0.66\text{m}$

\therefore In 120 vibration wave covers = $120 \times 0.66 = 80\text{m}$



SIMPLE HARMONIC PROGRESSIVE WAVES:

Displacement of particle "o" in its origin is

$$y = a \sin \omega t \quad \text{-----(1)}$$

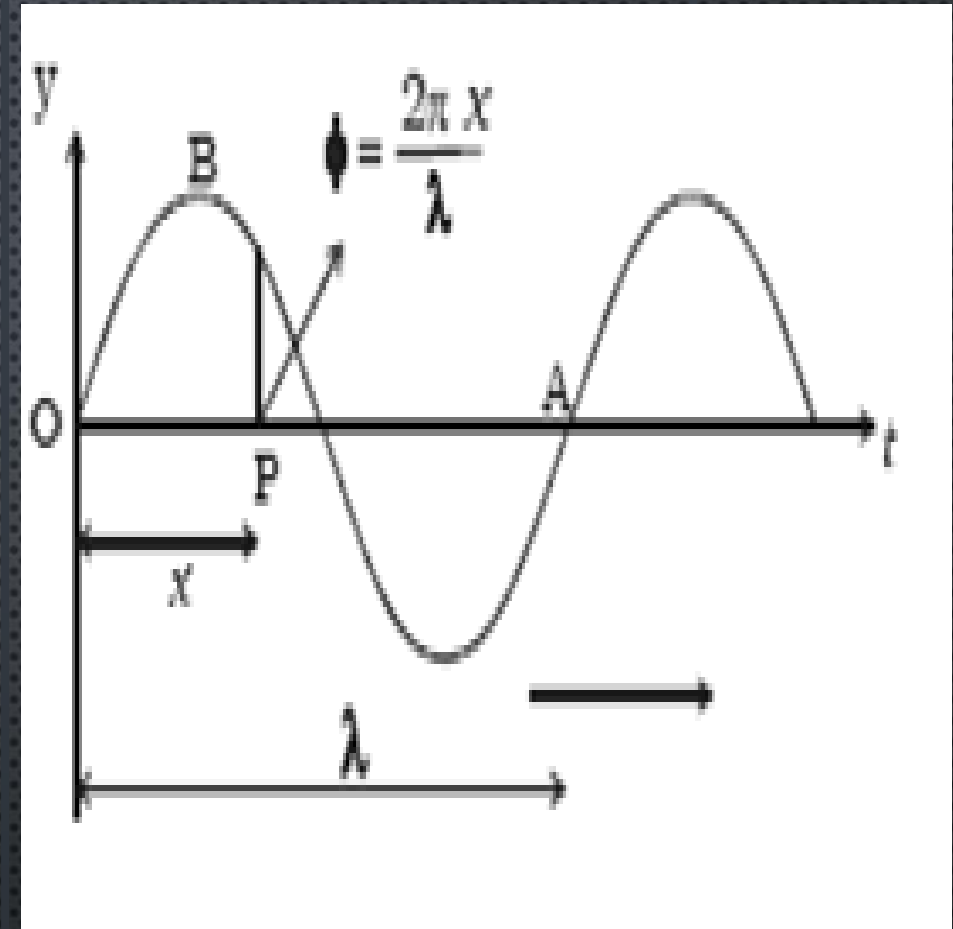
The displacement at the same instant of particle "P" at a distance "x" from "o" is

$$y = a \sin \omega t - \phi \quad \text{-----(2)}$$

ϕ is phase lag $\phi = \frac{2\pi x}{\lambda}$

equation (2) becomes

$$y = a \sin \left(\frac{2\pi t}{T} - \frac{2\pi x}{\lambda} \right)$$





EQUATION OF SIMPLE HARMONIC PROGRESSIVE WAVES:

$$\text{But } V = n\lambda \quad \text{or } V = \frac{\lambda}{T} \quad \text{or } \frac{1}{T} = \frac{V}{\lambda}$$

$$y = a \sin \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (Vt - x) \text{ -----(3)}$$

Wave travelling in negative
direction of X axis

$$y = a \sin \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (Vt + x)$$



NUMERICAL PROBLEM:

Prob. 1: When a simple harmonic progressive wave is propagated through a medium, the displacement of a particle in cm at any instant of time is given by

$$y = 10 \sin \frac{2\pi}{100} (36000t - 20)$$

Calculate i) Amplitude of the vibrating particle ii) Wave velocity
iii) Wavelength and iv) time period

Solution:

The given equation of simple harmonic progressive wave is

$$y = 10 \sin \frac{2\pi}{100} (36000t - 20) \text{ ----(1)}$$

The standard equation of simple harmonic progressive wave is

$$y = a \sin \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (Vt - x) \text{ ---- (2)}$$



NUMERICAL PROBLEM:

$$y = 10 \sin \frac{2\pi}{100} (36000t - 20) \text{ ----(1)}$$

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Comparing equations (1) and (2)

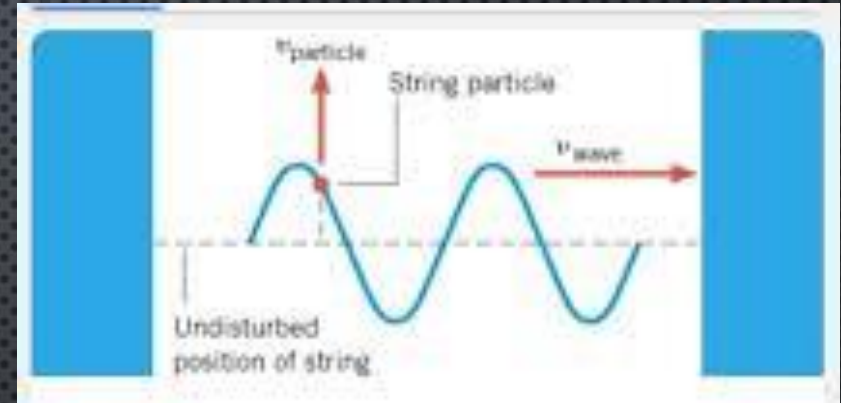
- i) Amplitude of vibrating particle = $a = 10 \text{ cm}$
- ii) Wavelength of wave = $\lambda = 100 \text{ cm}$
- iii) Wave velocity = $V = 36000 \text{ cm/s}$
- iv) Frequency = $n = \frac{V}{\lambda} = \frac{36000}{100} = 360 \text{ Hz}$
- v) Time period = $T = \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{360} = 0.00277 \text{ sec.}$



WAVE VELOCITY AND PARTICLE VELOCITY:

Wave velocity is the distance covered by oscillatory disturbance per unit time in a medium
Velocity of transmission of wave

Particle velocity is the velocity of vibrating particle about mean position.
Velocity of particles vibration





RELATION BETWEEN PARTICLE VELOCITY AND WAVE VELOCITY:

The standard equation of simple harmonic progressive wave is

$$y = a \sin \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \text{ ---- (1)}$$

Particle velocity is $U = \frac{dy}{dt}$

Differentiating equation (1) wrt "t"

$$U = \frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{2\pi av}{\lambda} \cos \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \text{ -----(2)}$$

Maximum value of particle velocity is

$$U_{max} = \frac{2\pi av}{\lambda} \text{ ---- (3)}$$



RELATION BETWEEN PARTICLE VELOCITY AND WAVE VELOCITY:

$$U_{max} = \frac{2\pi av}{\lambda} = \frac{2\pi a}{\lambda} (\text{wave velocity})$$

Particle Acceleration is $accn = \frac{d^2y}{dt^2}$

$$accn = -\frac{4\pi^2 av^2}{\lambda^2} \left[\sin \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \right] \text{-----(4)}$$

Rewriting $accn = -\frac{4\pi^2 v^2}{\lambda^2} \left[a \sin \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \right]$

$$accn = -\left(\frac{4\pi^2 v^2}{\lambda^2}\right) y$$

Acceleration is maximum when $y=a$

$$\therefore accn_{max.} = -\left(\frac{4\pi^2 v^2}{\lambda^2}\right) a \text{ --- ---(5)}$$



RELATION BETWEEN PARTICLE VELOCITY AND WAVE VELOCITY:

*negative sign indicates accn is directed towards
mean position*

Differentiating equation (1) wrt "x"

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{2\pi x}{\lambda} \cos \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \text{ -----(6)}$$

$\frac{dy}{dx}$ is slope of displacement curve

From equation (2) and (6) we have

$$U = \frac{dy}{dt} = -v \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) \text{ -----(7)}$$

∴ Particle velocity

at any instant = wave velocity x slope of dis.curve



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**DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION OF
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WHAT WE HAVE LEARN :

Waves

Wave motion

Characteristics of waves

Amplitude, wavelength, frequency, wave velocity and period

Progressive waves

Transverse waves

Longitudinal waves

Relation between wave velocity, frequency and wave length

Equation of SHPW

Wave velocity and particle velocity and relation



DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION OF WAVE MOTION

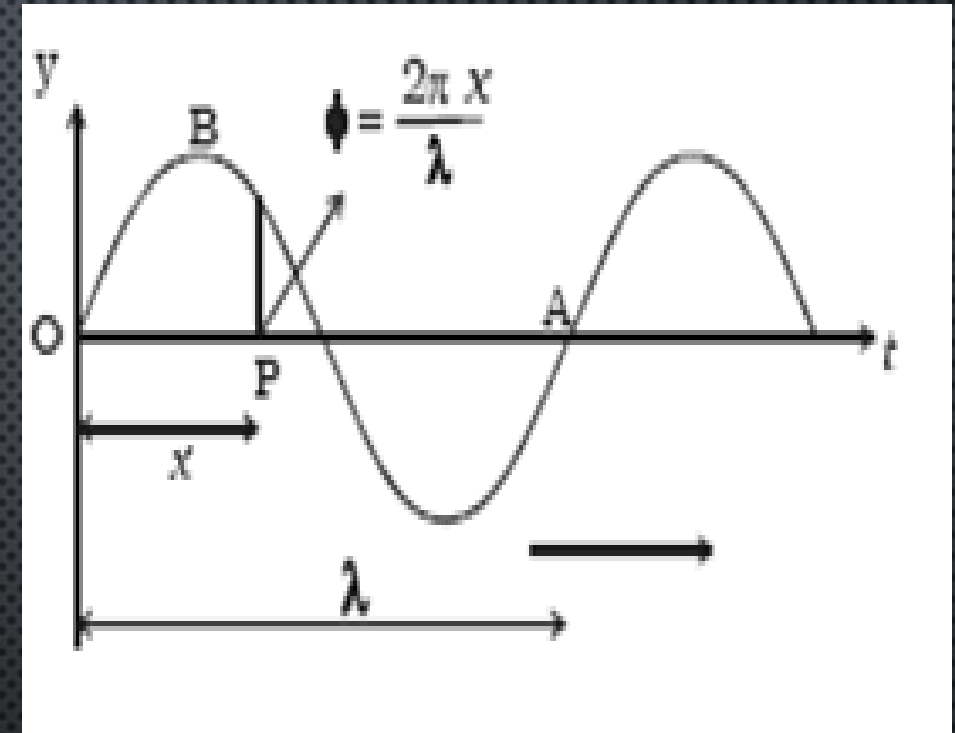
Consider a SHPW

The displacement (y) of particle at a distance x from origin at a instant of time (t) is

$$y = a \sin \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \text{ ---- (1)}$$

Where:

- a is Amplitude
- λ is Wavelength
- v is Wave velocity
- t is instantaneous time
- x is position of particle from origin





DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION OF WAVE MOTION:

Particle velocity is $U = \frac{dy}{dt}$

Differentiating equation (1) wrt
“t”

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{2\pi av}{\lambda} \cos \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \text{-----(2)}$$

Particle Acceleration is $accn = \frac{d^2y}{dt^2}$

Differentiating equation (2) wrt “t”

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = -\frac{4\pi^2 av^2}{\lambda^2} \left[\sin \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \right] \text{-----(3)}$$



DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION OF WAVE MOTION:

Compression or strain is $\frac{dy}{dx}$

Differentiating equation (1) wrt "x"

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{2\pi a}{\lambda} \cos \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \text{ -----(4)}$$

Rate of change of Compression is $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$

Differentiating equation (4) wrt "x"

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{4\pi^2 a}{\lambda^2} \left[\sin \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \right] \text{ -----(5)}$$



DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION OF WAVE MOTION:

From equation (2) and (4)

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = -v \frac{dy}{dx} \quad \text{----(6)}$$

From equation (3) and (5)

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = v^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \quad \text{---(7)}$$

Equation (7) is a differential equation of wave motion

Important in mathematical Physics

Any equation in this form always represent a wave motion



WAY TOWARDS SOLUTION.....

$$y = a \sin \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x)$$

$$U = \frac{dy}{dt}$$

$$accn = \frac{d^2y}{dt^2}$$

Compression or strain $\frac{dy}{dx}$

Rate of change of Compression $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$



COMPARE

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{2\pi av}{\lambda} \cos \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \text{-----(2)}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{2\pi a}{\lambda} \cos \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \text{-----(4)}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \underline{v} \frac{dy}{dx}$$



COMPARE

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} = -\frac{4\pi^2 av^2}{\lambda^2} \left[\sin \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \right] \text{-----(3)}$$

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**ENERGY OF A PROGRESSIVE
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WHAT WE HAVE LEARN :

Equation of SHPW

Wave velocity and particle velocity
and relation

Differential equation of wave motion

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} = v^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}$$



ENERGY OF A PROGRESSIVE WAVE:

In progressive wave energy is continuously transfer

This energy is supplied by source

Energy transferred per second is also corresponds to energy possessed by the particles in a length " v "

Energy of wave is partly kinetic and partly potential



ENERGY OF A PROGRESSIVE WAVE:

K.E. is due to velocity of vibrating particle

Velocity is maximum at mean position and zero at extreme position

K.E. is maximum at mean position and zero at extreme position

P.E. is due to displacement of particle from mean position



ENERGY OF A PROGRESSIVE WAVE:

P.E. is maximum at extreme position and minimum at mean position

In longitudinal wave motion compression and rarefactions are produced

Energy distribution is not uniform over the wave

Transfer of energy and not matter



ANALYTICAL TREATMENT:

Equation of simple harmonic progressive wave is

$$y = a \sin \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \text{ ---- (1)}$$

Particle velocity is $U = \frac{dy}{dt}$

Differentiating equation (1) wrt “t”

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{2\pi av}{\lambda} \cos \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \text{ ----- (2)}$$



ANALYTICAL TREATMENT:

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Differentiating equation (2) wrt “t”

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = -\frac{4\pi^2 av^2}{\lambda^2} \left[\sin \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \right] \text{-----(3)}$$



ANALYTICAL TREATMENT:

Potential energy:

Work done for displacement dy

$$= F dy$$

If ρ density of medium

Work done per unit volume for dy

$$= \rho \left(\frac{4\pi^2 a v^2}{\lambda^2} \sin \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \right) dy$$



ANALYTICAL TREATMENT:

Total work done for displacement y is

$$= \int_0^y \rho \left(\frac{4\pi^2 a v^2}{\lambda^2} \sin \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \right) dy$$

But

$$y = a \sin \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x)$$

\therefore Potential energy per unit volume

$$= \left(\frac{4\pi^2 \rho v^2}{\lambda^2} \right) \int_0^y y dy$$

$$= \frac{4\pi^2 \rho v^2}{2\lambda^2} y^2 = \frac{2\pi^2 \rho v^2}{\lambda^2} y^2$$



ANALYTICAL TREATMENT:

$$\text{P. E per unit Volume} = \frac{2\pi^2 \rho v^2}{\lambda^2} a^2 \sin^2 \left[\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \right] \text{-----(4)}$$

$$\text{K.E. per unit volume} = \frac{1}{2} \rho U^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \rho \left[\frac{2\pi a v}{\lambda} \cos \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \right]^2$$

$$= \frac{2\pi^2 \rho v^2 a^2}{\lambda^2} \cos^2 \left[\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \right] \text{---(5)}$$



ANALYTICAL TREATMENT:

Adding eq. (4) and (5)

Total energy per unit volume

$$= \frac{P.E.}{VOLUME} + \frac{K.E.}{VOLUME}$$

$$= \frac{2\pi^2 \rho v^2 a^2}{\lambda^2} \left[\sin^2 \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) + \cos^2 \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \right]$$

Total energy per unit volume $E = \frac{2\pi^2 \rho v^2 a^2}{\lambda^2}$

$$E = 2\pi^2 \rho n^2 a^2 \text{ -----(6)}$$



ANALYTICAL TREATMENT:

$$\text{Av. K.E. per unit volume} = \pi^2 \rho n^2 a^2$$

$$\text{Av. P.E. per unit volume} = \pi^2 \rho n^2 a^2$$

For unit area of cross section,
wave velocity = v *Volume* = $1 \times v = v$

Energy transferred per unit area per sec. =

$$= E v = 2\pi^2 \rho v n^2 a^2$$



CONCLUSION:

1. P.E. and K.E. of every particle changes with time
2. Av. K.E. per unit volume and Av. P .E. per unit volume remains constant
3. Total energy per unit volume remains constant
4. Energy of progressive wave at any instant is half kinetic and half potential



ADDING K.E. PER UNIT VOLUME AND P.E. PER UNIT VOLUME:

$$\frac{P.E.}{VOLUME} = \frac{2\pi^2 \rho v^2}{\lambda^2} a^2 \sin^2 \left[\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \right] \text{-----(4)}$$

$$\frac{K.E.}{VOLUME} = \frac{2\pi^2 \rho v^2 a^2}{\lambda^2} \cos^2 \left[\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \right] \text{---(5)}$$

$$= \frac{2\pi^2 \rho v^2 a^2}{\lambda^2} \left[\sin^2 \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) + \cos^2 \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x) \right]$$

$$\underline{\underline{\frac{TOTAL ENERGY.}{VOLUME}}} = \underline{\underline{E}} = \underline{\underline{\frac{2\pi^2 \rho v^2 a^2}{\lambda^2}}}$$



WAY TOWARDS SOLUTION.....

$$y = a \sin \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (vt - x)$$

$$U = \frac{dy}{dt}$$

$$accn = \frac{d^2y}{dt^2}$$

To obtain potential energy of particle

Work done for small displacement $dy = F dy$

Total work done for y and P.E. per unit volume

$$\text{K.E. per unit volume} = \frac{1}{2} \rho U^2$$

$$\underline{\text{Total energy per unit volume}} = \frac{P.E.}{VOLUME} + \frac{K.E.}{VOLUME}$$



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**EQUATION OF MOTION OF A
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WHAT WE HAVE LEARN :

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TRANSVERSE VIBRATION OF STRING

Stringed musical instruments:

Guitar

Violin

Piano



Guitar-Strings are plucked

Violin-Strings are bowed

Piano-Strings are struck



EQUATION OF MOTION OF A VIBRATING STRING:

Assumptions:

1. Length of string –greater than diameter
2. Perfectly uniform and flexible
3. Stretched between two fixed points
4. Tension in string should be large
5. Effect of gravitational force can be neglected.
6. Tension T in string should be constant everywhere



EQUATION OF MOTION OF A VIBRATING STRING:

AB – stretched string with tension T

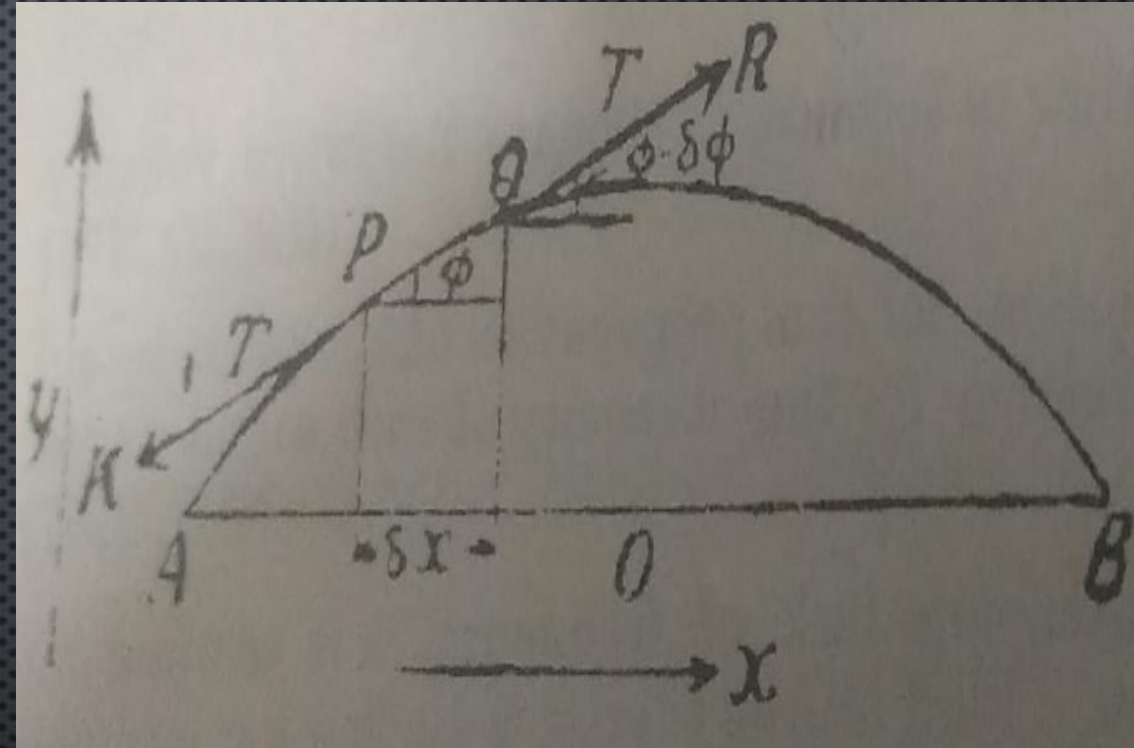
Plucked at Centre O

Set into transverse vibration

Under displaced condition

Displaced portion of string is very

small so T is constant everywhere





EQUATION OF MOTION OF A VIBRATING STRING:

Motion is SHM- force \propto displacement

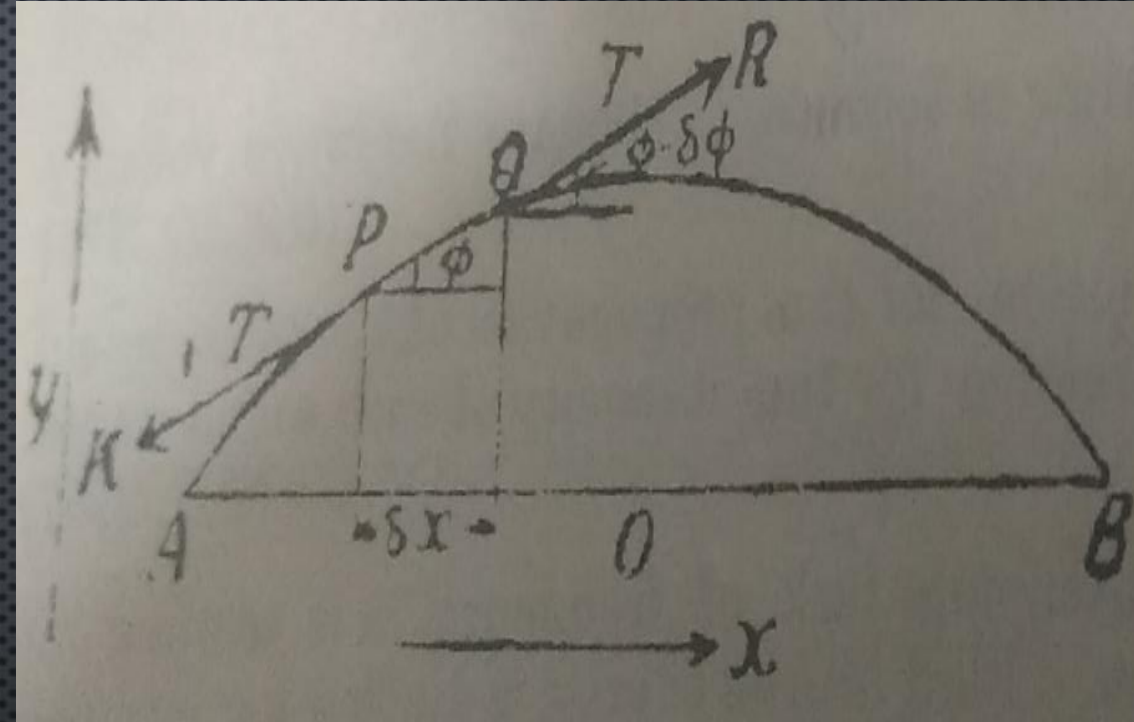
Undisplaced string is on X axis

Displacement of string \perp to length
on Y axis

PQ- Small element of plucked string

δx — length of PQ

At PQ tension T acts along tangents
PK and QR



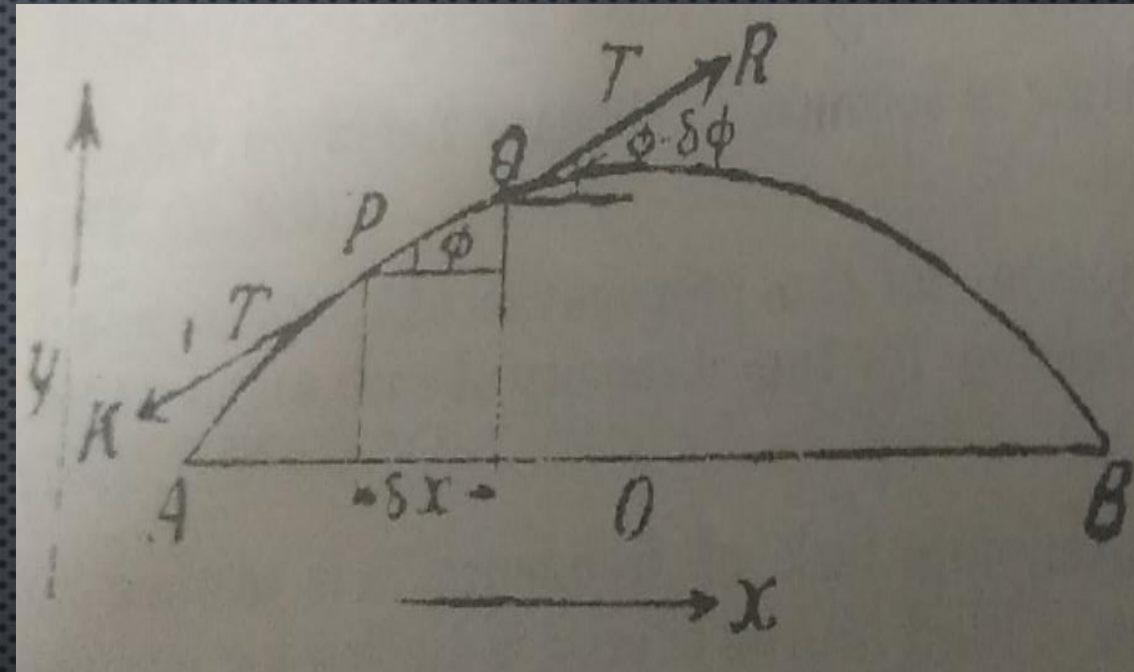


EQUATION OF MOTION OF A VIBRATING STRING:

ϕ And $\phi - \delta\phi$ angle of inclination of tangents to curve at P and Q respectively of element δx

Resolving T into mutually \perp components

Horizontal components cancel out each other





EQUATION OF MOTION OF A VIBRATING STRING:

Resultant of vertical components in direction of Y axis is

$$R = T \sin \phi - T \sin(\phi - \delta \phi) \text{-----(1)}$$

$$R = T [\sin \phi - \sin(\phi - \delta \phi)]$$

$$R = T \cos \phi \delta \phi = T \delta(\sin \phi)$$

For small ϕ , $\sin \phi = \tan \phi$

From fig. $\tan \phi = \frac{dy}{dx}$ slope of curve



EQUATION OF MOTION OF A VIBRATING STRING:

$$\therefore R = T \delta \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)$$

For distance δx

$$R = T \left[\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) \right] \delta x$$

$$R = T \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} \delta x \text{-----(2)}$$

If m – mass per unit length of string,
Mass of element δx is= $m \delta x$

Acceleration in y direction= $\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2}$



EQUATION OF MOTION OF A VIBRATING STRING:

By Newtons second law of motion

Force=mass x acceleration

$$= m\delta x. \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} \text{ -----(3)}$$

From equation (2) and (3)

$$m\delta x. \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = T \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \delta x$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = \frac{T}{m} \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \quad \text{This is differential eqn of}$$

Vibrating string



SUMMARY:

Transverse vibration of string is chief source of musical sound.

Under displaced position resultant downward

components of tension = $R = T \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} \delta x$ for length δx

Force acting on element δx according to Newton

$$m \delta x \cdot \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2}$$

Under displaced equilibrium condition

$$m \delta x \cdot \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} = T \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} \delta x$$

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} = \frac{T}{m} \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}$$



WAY TOWARDS SOLUTION.....

Aim: To study motion of vibrating string

Un displaced position of string

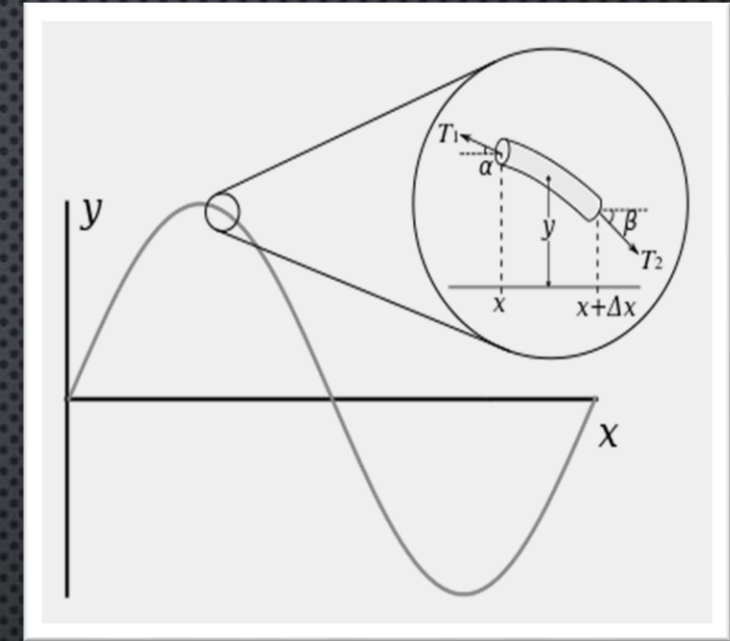
Displaced position of string

Under displaced equilibrium condition of string Forces acting on Small element δx are

1) Resultant downward restoring force due to tension T in string.

2) Resultant upward force due to acceleration in string

Under displaced equilibrium condition of string equating Forces we get equation of motion of string





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**VELOCITY OF TRANSVERSE
WAVES ALONG A STRETCHED
STRING**

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WHAT WE HAVE LEARN :

1. Differential equation of wave motion

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} = v^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}$$

2. Differential equation of stretched string

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} = \frac{T}{m} \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}$$



VELOCITY OF TRANSVERSE WAVES ALONG A STRETCHED STRING:

Assumptions:

1. Length of string –greater than diameter
2. Perfectly uniform and flexible
3. Stretched between two fixed points
4. Tension in string should be large
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VELOCITY OF TRANSVERSE WAVES ALONG A STRETCHED STRING :

Portion PABQ of string in which transverse wave is traveling

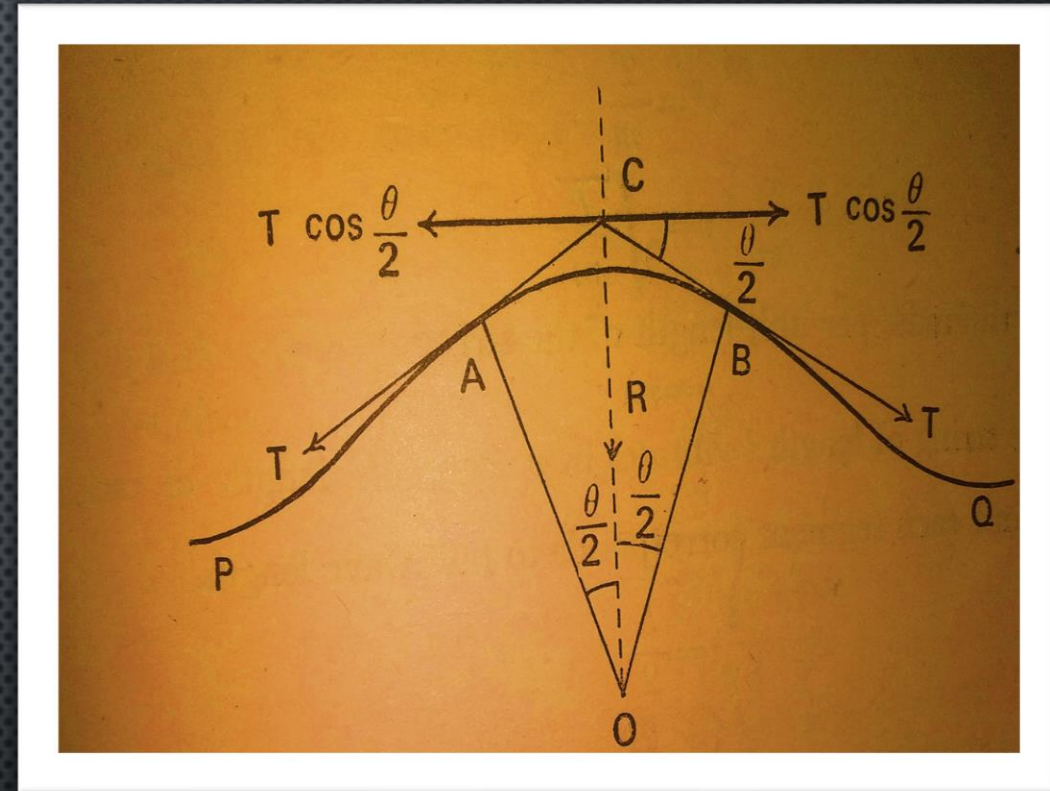
AB –Small element of string

O- Centre of curvature of AB

As curvature is small, θ small

T- Tension at A and B

tangential TO element at A and B





VELOCITY OF TRANSVERSE WAVES ALONG A STRETCHED STRING :

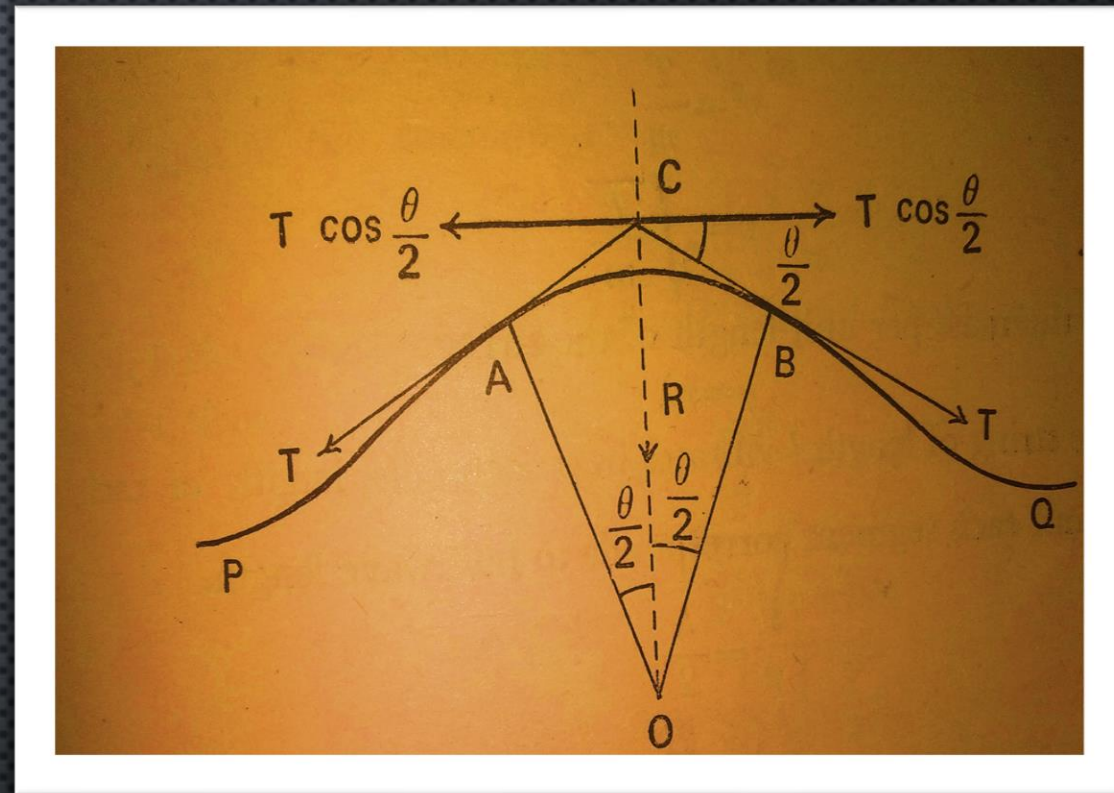
Resolving tensions at A

- 1) $T \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$ Perpendicular to string
- 2) $T \cos \frac{\theta}{2}$ parallel to string

Similarly

Resolving tensions at B

- 1) $T \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$ Perpendicular to string
- 2) $T \cos \frac{\theta}{2}$ parallel to string





VELOCITY OF TRANSVERSE WAVES ALONG A STRETCHED STRING :

Parallel components cancel

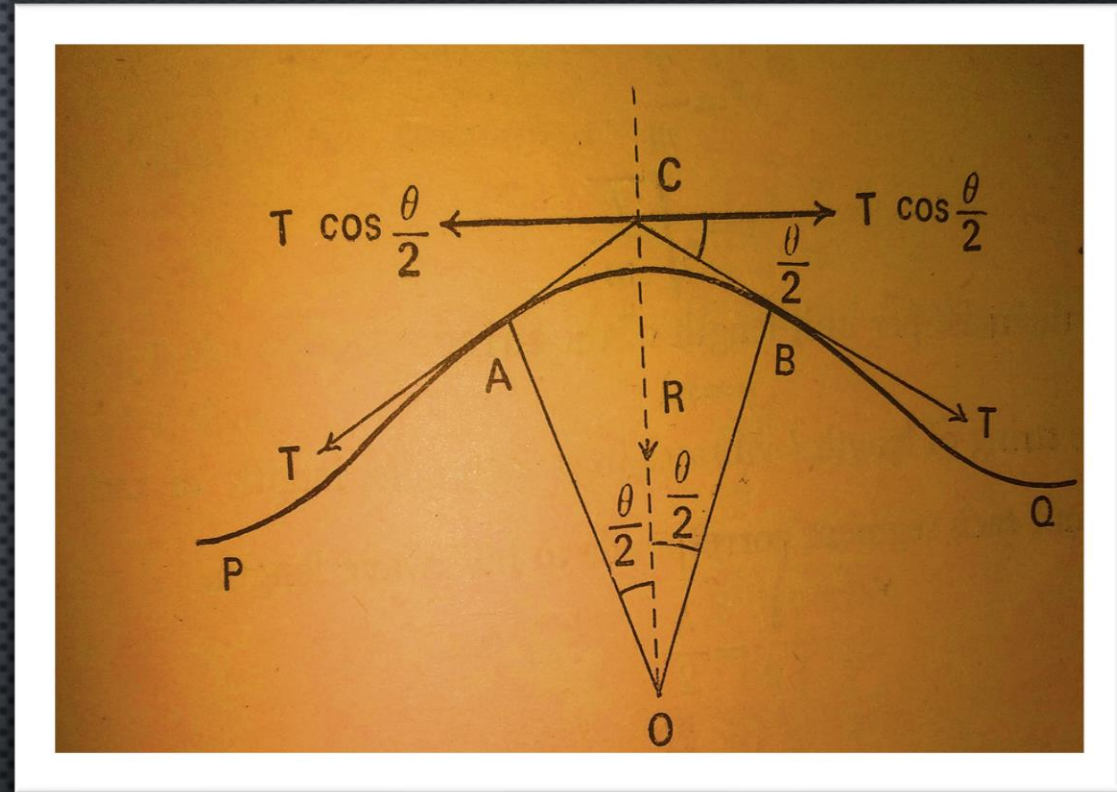
Resultant perpendicular

components along CO

Resultant tension along CO

$$= 2T \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$\text{as } \theta \text{ small } \sin \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{\theta}{2}$$





VELOCITY OF TRANSVERSE WAVES ALONG A STRETCHED STRING :

$$\text{Resultant tension} = 2T \frac{\theta}{2} = T\theta \text{-----(1)}$$

For equilibrium position

Resultant tension provides necessary centripetal force

$$= \frac{(m\delta x)v^2}{R} \text{-----(2)}$$

$$\frac{(m\delta x)v^2}{R} = T\theta$$



VELOCITY OF TRANSVERSE WAVES ALONG A STRETCHED STRING :

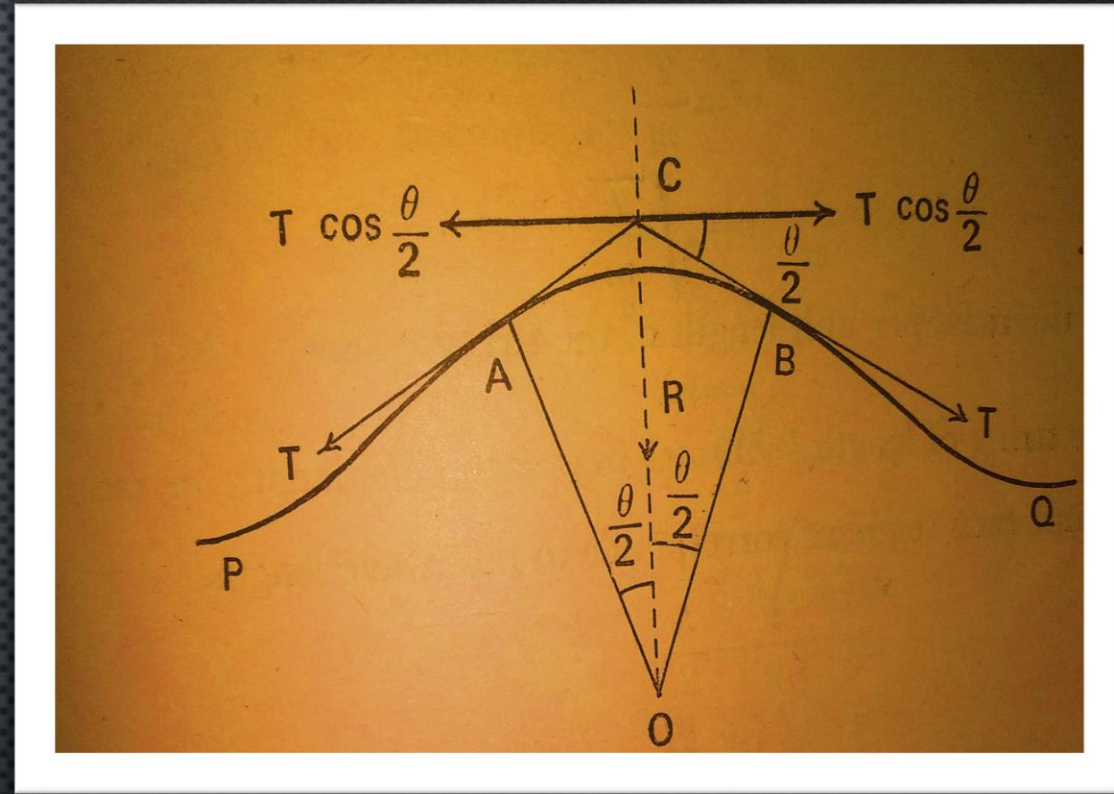
But from fig $\sin\theta = \frac{\delta x}{R} = \theta = \frac{\delta x}{R}$

$$\frac{(m\delta x)v^2}{R} = T \frac{\delta x}{R}$$

$$v^2 = \frac{T}{m}$$

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{T}{m}} \text{---(3)}$$

Velocity of transverse waves along stretched string





FREQUENCY AND PERIOD OF VIBRATING STRING:

Let string fixed at both ends.

Plucked at Centre

Transverse waves set up in string

Reflected at boundary or fixed point and reverse

During one complete vibration wave travels twice length of string

$$n = \frac{v}{\lambda} = \frac{v}{2l} = \frac{1}{2l} \sqrt{\frac{T}{m}}$$



FREQUENCY AND PERIOD OF VIBRATING STRING:

$n = \frac{1}{2l} \sqrt{\frac{T}{m}}$ is the lowest mode of vibration called fundamental mode

Period of vibration of fundamental mode

$$T = \frac{1}{n} = 2l \sqrt{\frac{m}{T}}$$

If D be diameter of wire

ρ - density of material of wire



FREQUENCY AND PERIOD OF VIBRATING STRING:

$$\text{Mass per unit length } m = \frac{\text{Mass}}{\text{Length}} = \frac{\text{density} \times \text{Volume}}{\text{Length}} = \frac{\rho \pi r^2 l}{l}$$

$$\frac{\rho \pi r^2 l}{l} = \frac{\rho \pi D^2}{4}$$

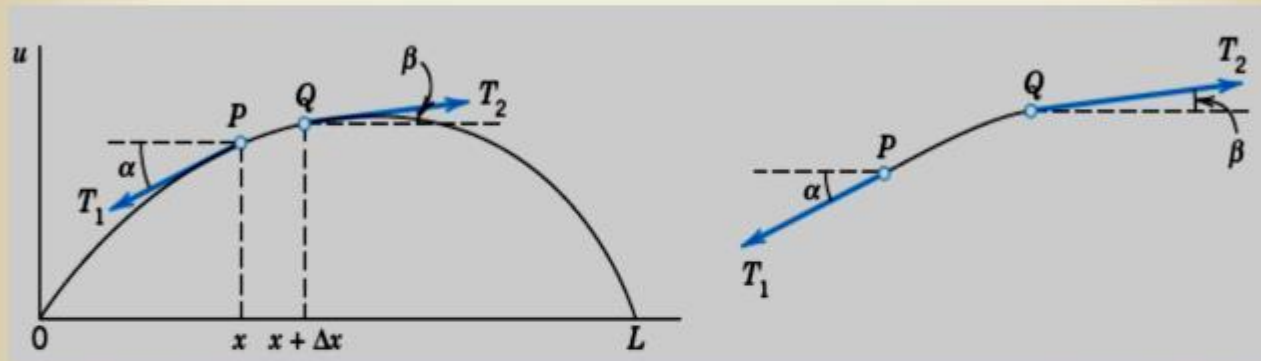
$$\text{Frequency of fundamental mode } n = \frac{1}{2l} \sqrt{\frac{4T}{\rho \pi D^2}} = \frac{1}{Dl} \sqrt{\frac{T}{\rho \pi}}$$

$$\text{Period } T = \frac{1}{n} = Dl \sqrt{\frac{\rho \pi}{T}}$$

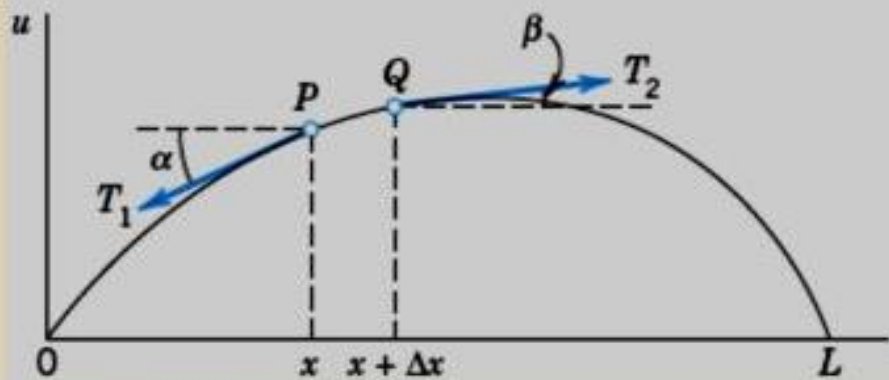
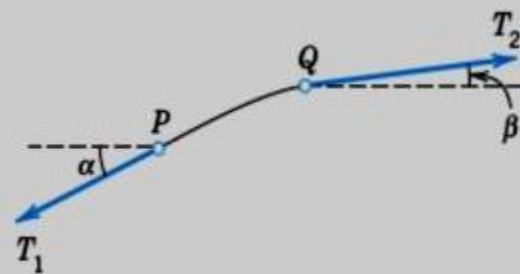
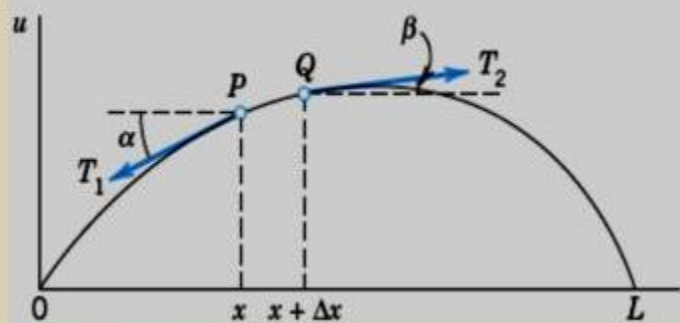
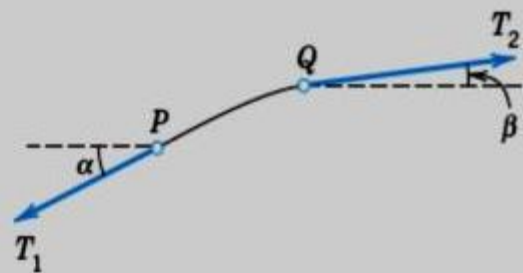
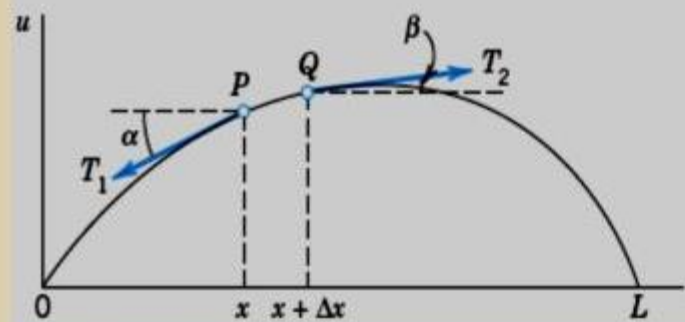
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Wave Equation

Modeling of Vibrating String



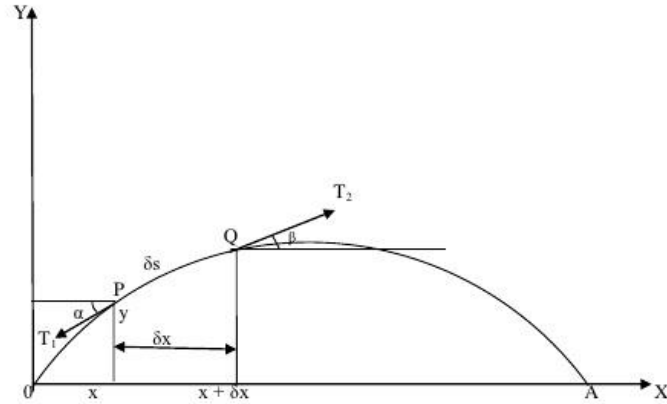
- The tension is tangential to the curve
- T_1 and T_2 are the tension at the endpoints P and Q
- ρ is the mass of the string per unit length
- No motion in the horizontal direction



One dimensional Wave Equation

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

(Vibrations of a stretched string)



Consider a uniform elastic string of length l stretched tightly between points O and A and displaced slightly from its equilibrium position OA. Taking the end O as the origin, OA as the axis and a perpendicular line through O as the y-axis, we shall find the displacement y as a function of the distance x and time t .

Assumptions

- (i) Motion takes place in the XY plane and each particle of the string moves perpendicular to the equilibrium position OA of the string.
- (ii) String is perfectly flexible and does not offer resistance to bending.
- (iii) Tension in the string is so large that the forces due to weight of the string can be neglected.
- (iv) Displacement y and the slope $\frac{\partial y}{\partial x}$ are small, so that their higher powers can be neglected.

ONE DIMENSIONAL WAVE EQUATION

Question 1: With necessary physical assumptions derive the one dimensional wave equation $u_{tt} = c^2 u_{xx}, 0 \leq x \leq L, t \geq 0$.

Consider a string of homogeneous material. Stretch the string to a length L and fix the string at its end points. Distort the string (initial displacement $u(x, 0) = f(x), 0 \leq x \leq L$ and initial velocity $u_t(x, 0) = g(x), 0 \leq x \leq L$) at time $t=0$ and allow it to vibrate. We shall make the following simplifying physical assumptions:

- Mass per unit length ' ρ ' of the string is constant (Offers no resistance for bending, perfectly elastic).
- The applied tension to stretch the string before fixing it at its ends is so large that the effect of gravitational force can be neglected.
- String particles undergo vibrations only in a vertical plane (Displacement remains small in magnitude).

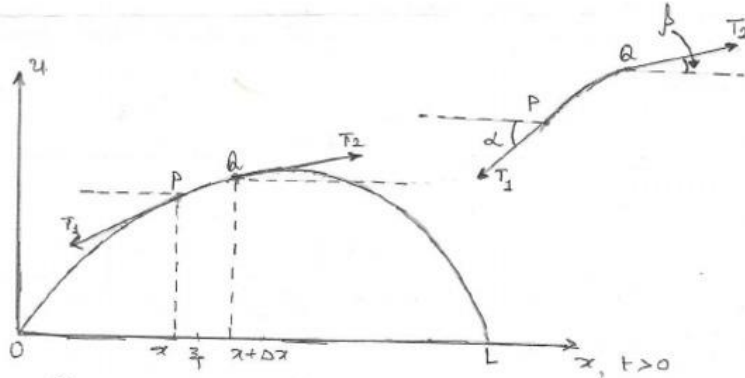


Figure 1. Deflected string at fixed time $t > 0$.

Consider the forces acting on a small portion PQ of length Δx at any time $t > 0$. Let T_1 and T_2 denotes the tension at the end points P and Q of that portion. Then $-T_1 \sin \alpha$ and $T_2 \sin \beta$ are the vertical components of T_1 and T_2 respectively. (See figure 1).

Since there is no motion in the horizontal plane, the horizontal components of T_1 and T_2 are constant. Therefore

$$(1) \quad T_1 \cos \alpha = T_2 \cos \beta = T = \text{const.}$$

By Newton's second law of motion, Force = mass × acceleration.

Thus,

$$T_2 \sin \beta - T_1 \sin \alpha = \rho(\Delta x) u_{tt}(\xi, t), \text{ for some } \xi, x \leq \xi \leq x + \Delta x$$

i.e. $\tan \beta - \tan \alpha = \frac{\rho \Delta x}{T} u_{tt}(\xi, t)$, (using (1) and dividing by T).

Taking limit as $\Delta x \rightarrow 0$,

we get $u_{xx} = \frac{\rho}{T} u_{tt}$

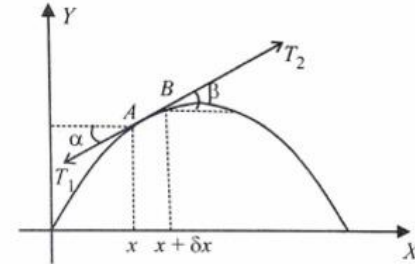
3.2 Wave and Heat equations

We derive one dimensional wave equation which is due to the transverse vibration of a stretched string. We also derive one dimensional heat equation which is due to the heat flow along a thin bar insulated on all sides. We also discuss the solution of these two equations.

3.21 Derivation of one dimensional wave equation

Consider a flexible string tightly stretched between two fixed points at a distance l apart. Let ρ be the mass per unit length of the string. We shall assume the following.

- The tension T of the string is same throughout.
- The effect of gravity can be ignored due to large tension T .
- The motion of the string is in small transverse vibrations.



Let us consider the forces acting on a small element AB of length δx . Let T_1 and T_2 be the tensions at the points A and B .

Since there is no motion in the horizontal direction, the horizontal components T_1 and T_2 must cancel each other.

$$\therefore T_1 \cos \alpha = T_2 \cos \beta = T \quad \dots (i)$$

where α and β are the angles made by T_1 and T_2 with the horizontal. Vertical components of tension are $-T_1 \sin \alpha$ and $T_2 \sin \beta$, where the negative sign is used because T_1 is directed downwards. Hence the resultant force acting vertically upwards is $T_2 \sin \beta - T_1 \sin \alpha$.

Applying Newton's second law of motion, that is

Force = mass × acceleration, we get

$$T_2 \sin \beta - T_1 \sin \alpha = (\rho \delta x) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}$$

