Doppler Effect Problems Like 12.2

A. Doppler Problems: (Use **343 m/s** as the speed of sound.)

Moving Source:
$$f' = f\left(\frac{v}{v \pm u_s}\right)$$
 Moving Observer: $f' = f\left(\frac{v \pm u_o}{v}\right)$

- 262.2 Hz 1. A car with a horn frequency of 240 Hz approaches you at 29 m/s. What frequency do you hear?
- 136.1 Hz 2. A person hums at 150 Hz while driving away from you at 35 m/s. What frequency do you hear?
- 344.6 Hz 3. Your dad is singing at 356 Hz, and you run away from him at 11 m/s. What frequency do you hear?
- 995.5 Hz4. You are riding on a train going 45 m/s. As you approach a crossing, there is a bell with a
frequency of 880 Hz. What frequency do you hear?
- 187.3 Hz 5. A salsa band is running away from you at 14 m/s. If you hear a pitch of 180 Hz, what frequency are they really playing?
- 390.6 Hz6. You hear a pitch of 420 Hz as a car with a man standing on the roof playing a flugelhorn
approaches you at 24 m/s. What frequency is the man really creating?
- 442.5 Hz 7. You are riding a rocket-propelled skateboard at 57 m/s toward a television playing a Lawrence Welk re-run. If you hear a pitch of 516 Hz, what is the real pitch the television is making?
- 92.7 Hz 8. You are in a motorboat going 21 m/s away from a foghorn. You hear it at a pitch of 87 Hz, so what pitch is it really creating?
- 10.8 m/s away 9. If you hear a frequency of 253 Hz as you listen to a middle C (261 Hz) being played on a piano that is on a flatbed train car, is the car going toward you or away, and how fast?
- 9.2 m/s toward 10. If a car 217 Hz car horn is heard at 223 Hz, is the car approaching you or receding from you, and what is its speed?
- 17.5 m/s away 11. You are riding in a train with a blindfold on, and you hear an 880 Hz crossing bell, but it appears to have a pitch of only 835 Hz. Are you moving toward or away from the bell, and how fast?
- 27.3 m/s toward 12. How fast and in what direction (away or toward) do you have to run relative to a concertmaster playing an A 440 Hz so that you hear it at 475 Hz?
- 388.4 Hz 13. You are driving at 27 m/s toward an oncoming driver on a highway. They are approaching you at 43 m/s. (a tad in excess of the speed limit) You honk at them with your 318 Hz horn to indicate your dissatisfaction with their driving habits. What frequency do they hear?
- 453.4 Hz 14. You are driving your Porsche at 57 m/s on the Autobahn and you come behind a Prius in the left lane going only 35 m/s. You honk your 421 Hz horn at them. What frequency do they hear?
- 94,900.3 Hz 15. A bat flying at 17 m/s is approaching a moth flying toward the bat at 7.0 m/s. If the bat generates an echolocation frequency of 82,500 Hz, what frequency does the bat hear reflected off the moth?

B. Interference Problems: (Use **343 m/s** as the speed of sound.)

1. Two speakers 4.10 m apart are in phase at 512 Hz. If I am 4.00 m from one speaker, and 6.68 m from the other, what is the wavelength, and how many wavelengths difference is the distance, and is it constructive (loud) or destructive (quiet) interference? (λ = 0.670 m, 4 λ , Constructive)

2. Two speakers 4.50 m apart are in phase at 256. Hz. If I am 3.00 m from one speaker, and 6.35 m from the other, what is the wavelength, and how many wavelengths difference is the distance, and is it constructive (loud) or destructive (quiet) interference? ($\lambda = 1.34$ m, 2.5 λ , Destructive)

3. Two speakers 5.00 m apart are in phase at 1024. Hz. If I am 8.42 m from one speaker, and 9.59 m from the other, what is the wavelength, and how many wavelengths difference is the distance, and is it constructive (loud) or destructive (quiet) interference? (λ = 0.335 m, 3.5 λ , Destructive)

4. These two sources A and B are in phase, and generate a sound wave with a frequency of 625 Hz. Calculate the wavelength, and for the two positions p and q, indicate the path length difference in wavelengths, and whether it would be constructive or destructive interference.

 $(\lambda = 0.549 \text{ m}, \text{ p: } 1.5 \lambda \text{ Destructive}, \text{ q: } 1.0 \lambda \text{ Constructive})$



5. These two sources A and B are in phase, and generate a sound wave with a frequency of 631 Hz. Calculate the wavelength, and for the two positions p and q, indicate the path length difference in wavelengths, and whether it would be constructive or destructive interference.

 $(\lambda = 0.544 \text{ m}, \text{ p: } 1.5 \lambda \text{ Destructive}, \text{ q: } 1.0 \lambda \text{ Constructive})$



6. These two sources A and B are in phase, and generate a sound wave with a frequency of 2115 Hz. Calculate the wavelength, and for the two positions p and q, indicate the path length difference in wavelengths, and whether it would be constructive or destructive interference.

 $(\lambda = 0.162 \text{ m}, \text{ p: } 2.5 \lambda \text{ Destructive}, \text{ q: } 8.5 \lambda \text{ Destructive})$

