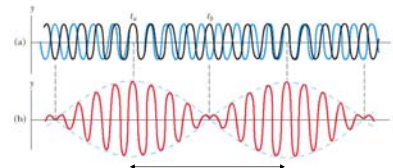


## 2.2 Doppler Effect

Beats  
Doppler Effect.  
Shock Waves

## Beats

Superposition of two waves with different frequencies produce oscillation in amplitude.



Beat Frequency  $f_b = \frac{1}{T_b} = |f_2 - f_1|$

## Tuning musical instruments

The beat frequency for two musical instruments is zero when the two are in tune. (have the same frequency)

## Doppler Effect

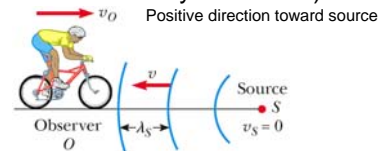
Doppler effect- the shift in frequency of a wave where the source and observer are moving relative to one another.

## Doppler effect

Two different cases:  
Observer moving – Relative velocity changes  
Source moving- Wavelength changes

$$f = \frac{v}{\lambda}$$

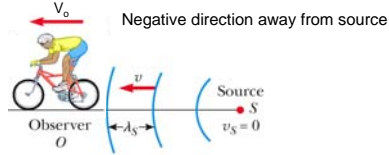
## Observer moving toward a Stationary source (Relative Velocity Increases)



- Relative velocity of wave ( $v_o + v$ ) increases.
- Frequency increases

$$f_o = \frac{v + v_o}{\lambda_s} = \frac{v + v_o}{v} f_s = \left(1 + \frac{v_o}{v}\right) f_s$$

**Observer moving away from a stationary source (Relative velocity decreases)**

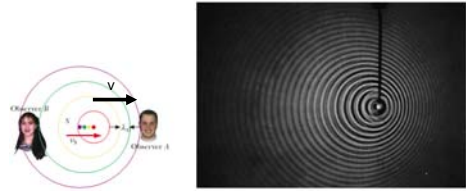


Relative velocity of wave ( $v+v_o$ ) decreases.  
Frequency decreases.

$$f_o = \frac{v + v_o}{v} f_s = \left(1 + \frac{v_o}{v}\right) f_s$$

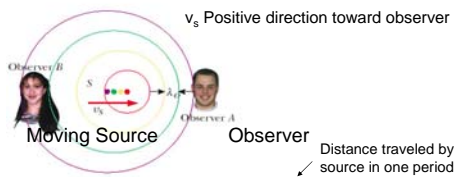
$v_o$  is negative

**Source moving toward a stationary observer (wavelength in the medium decreases)**



- When the source is moving the wavelength of the wave in the media is changed
  - source **approaches** observer A
    - Wavelength **decreases** and frequency heard by observer A **increases**
  - Source **moves away** from observer B.
    - Wavelength **increases** and frequency heard by observer B **decreases**.

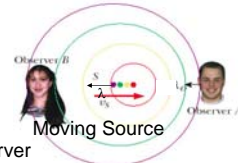
**Source Moving **Toward** observer A**



- Wavelength **decreases**  $\lambda = \lambda_s - v_s T$
  - Frequency **increases**  $f_o = \frac{v}{\lambda_s - v_s T_s} = \frac{v}{v T_s - v_s T_s}$
- $$f_o = \frac{v}{v - v_s} f_s$$

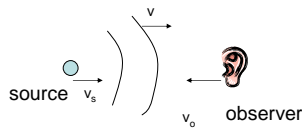
**Source Moving **Away** from observer B**

$v_s$  negative direction for observer B



- Wavelength **increases**  $\lambda = \lambda_s - v_s T$
  - Frequency **decreases**  $f_o = \frac{v}{v - v_s} f_s$
- $v_s$  is negative

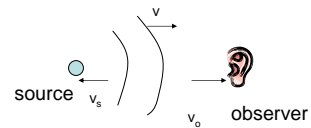
**Observer and source moving**



$$f_o = f_s \left( \frac{v + v_o}{v - v_s} \right) \quad \begin{matrix} v_s \text{ positive} \\ v_o \text{ positive} \end{matrix}$$

- The frequency increases when the source and observer are moving toward each other.

**Observer and source moving**



$$f_o = f_s \left( \frac{v + v_o}{v - v_s} \right) \quad \begin{matrix} v_o \text{ negative} \\ v_s \text{ negative} \end{matrix}$$

- The frequency decreases when the source and observer are moving away each other.

## Example

A fire truck is approaching an observer with a speed of 30 m/s. The siren has a frequency of 700 Hz. What frequency does the observer hear as the truck approaches? What frequency is heard after the truck passes. speed of sound 340 m/s

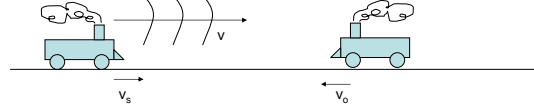
Approaching source  $v_s$  positive  $v_o = 0$

$$f_o = f_s \left( \frac{v + v_o}{v - v_s} \right) = f_s \left( \frac{v}{v - v_s} \right) = 700 \left( \frac{340}{340 - 30} \right) = 700(1.09) = 763 \text{ Hz}$$

Departing source  $v_s$  is negative

$$f_o = f_s \left( \frac{v + v_o}{v - v_s} \right) = f_s \left( \frac{v}{v - v_s} \right) = 700 \left( \frac{340}{340 + 30} \right) = 700(0.92) = 643 \text{ Hz}$$

Two trains are approaching each other each moving at 34 m/s. One train sounds a whistle at a frequency of 1000 Hz. Find the frequency of sound heard by an observer on the other train.



$$f_o = \frac{v + v_o}{v - v_s} f_s = \frac{340 + 34}{340 - 34} f_s = 1.22 f_s$$

$$f_o = 1.22 \times 10^3 \text{ Hz}$$

Note each motion increases the frequency by about  $v_{\text{train}}/v = 10\%$ . The net increase is about 20%. This is true when  $v_{\text{source}} \ll v$ .

## Approximate solution at low speeds.

Source moving toward observer.

$$f_o = \frac{v}{v - v_s} f_s = \frac{v}{v(1 - \frac{v_s}{v})} f_s = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{v_s}{v}} f_s$$

Using the relation

$$\frac{1}{1 - x} \approx 1 + x \quad \text{When } x \ll 1$$

At low speed  $v_s \ll v$

$$f_o \approx \left(1 + \frac{v_s}{v}\right) f_s$$

## Approximate solution for two trains approaching

$$f_o = \frac{v + v_o}{v - v_s} f_s = \left( \frac{v + v_o}{v} \right) \left( \frac{v}{v - v_s} \right) f_s \approx \left( 1 + \frac{v_o}{v} \right) \left( 1 + \frac{v_s}{v} \right) f_s$$

$$f_o = \left( 1 + \frac{v_s}{v} + \frac{v_o}{v} + \frac{v_s v_o}{v^2} \right) f_s \approx \left( 1 + \frac{v_s}{v} + \frac{v_o}{v} \right) f_s$$

negligible

$$f_o - f_s \approx \left( \frac{v_s}{v} + \frac{v_o}{v} \right) f_s$$

- The shift in frequency is approximately proportional to the ratio of the train velocities to speed of sound as we found in the previous example.
- This is a good approximation when the train velocities are slow compared to the speed of sound.
- This is a good approximation for the Doppler shift of electromagnetic waves.

## Doppler shift of Electromagnetic waves

- Electromagnetic waves are also shifted by the Doppler effect.
- Since EM waves travel in a vacuum the equations governing the shift are different.
- The same shift is observed for moving source or moving observer.
- For motion with speeds less than the speed of light the relation is the same as for the approximate shift for sound waves when  $u \ll c$ .

$$f = f_s \left( 1 \pm \frac{u}{c} \right)$$

$u$  = relative velocity of source and observer.

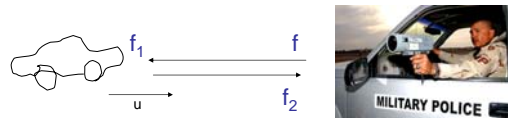
$c$  = speed of light =  $3.00 \times 10^8$  m/s

Positive sign when approaching

Negative sign when moving away.

## Doppler Radar

Doppler radar is used to determine the speed of a car.



The beat frequency between the Doppler shifted frequency and the initial frequency is measured to determine the speed of the car.

$$f_1 = f_s (1 + u/c)$$

$$f_2 = f_1 (1 + u/c) = f_s (1 + u/c)^2 = f_s (1 + 2u/c + (u/c)^2)$$

$$\text{beat frequency} = f_2 - f_s = 2 \frac{u}{c} f_s$$

negligible

## Applications Doppler ultrasound



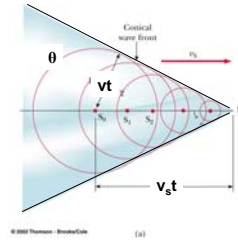
Ultrasonic waver 2-18 MHz.

Doppler shift used to measure blood flow speed.

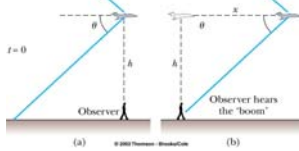
## Shock Waves

When  $v_s >$  speed of sound, shock waves are formed.

$$\sin\theta = \frac{v}{v_s}$$



## Sonic Boom



When a sonic boom is heard the observer sees the plane at an angle of  $\theta = 45^\circ$ . What is the speed of the plane relative to the speed of sound?

$$\sin\theta = \frac{v}{v_s} = \sin 45 = 0.707$$

$$v_s = \frac{v}{\sin\theta} = \frac{v}{0.707} = 1.41v$$

The plane travels at 1.41 time the speed of sound.