

GNSC 1110L LAB PRE-TEST QUESTIONS

STANDING WAVES ON A STRING

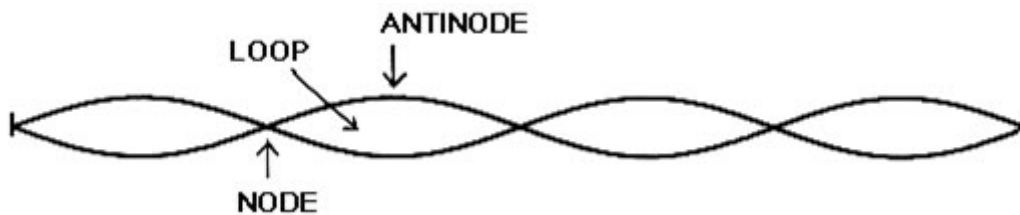
1. What is the objective of this experiment?
2. The velocity, v , of a transverse wave on a stretched string depends on the tension, F , in the string and the mass per unit length μ . Write down the equation that describes the relationship. Give the SI units for each symbol.
3. What does each symbol represent and what are their SI units?
$$v = f \lambda$$
4. Draw a simple sketch to show what a wavelength is.
5. Draw a standing wave pattern with 5 loops (segments). Indicate what nodes and anti-nodes are. Explain how to find the wavelength.
6. Frequency, f , is usually given with the unit of Hz. What is Hz?
7. How many nodes are there for a standing wave with 7 loops?
8. If the total mass hanging down from the end of the string is 255 g, what is the tension in the string?
9. For question #8 above, if the mass per unit length is 5.43×10^{-4} kg/m, find the wave velocity in the string in m/s.
- 10 Calculate the velocity in m/s of a wave having a frequency of 120 Hz and a wavelength of 40.0 cm.
11. Draw a simple sketch of a standing wave. Label nodes, anti-nodes and loops.
12. What is a standing wave?

8. $255\text{g} = 0.255\text{Kg}$ Tension is a force. Using Newton's second law.

$$F = ma = 0.255\text{Kg} \times 9.80 \text{ m/s}^2 = 2.5\text{N}$$

10. $v = f \lambda = 120 \text{ Hz} \times 0.40\text{m} = 48.0 \text{ m/s}$

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12. A wave phenomenon resulting from the INTERFERENCE of two waves {SOUND WAVES for example} of the same frequency and kind travelling in opposite directions.