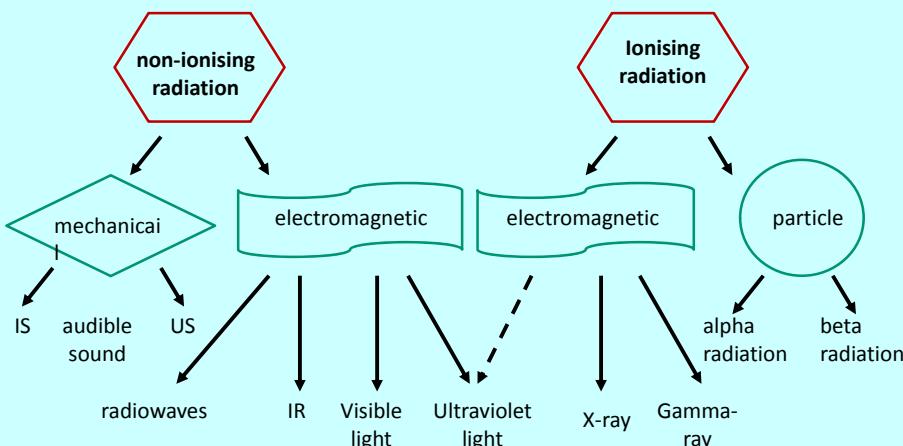


# Radiation



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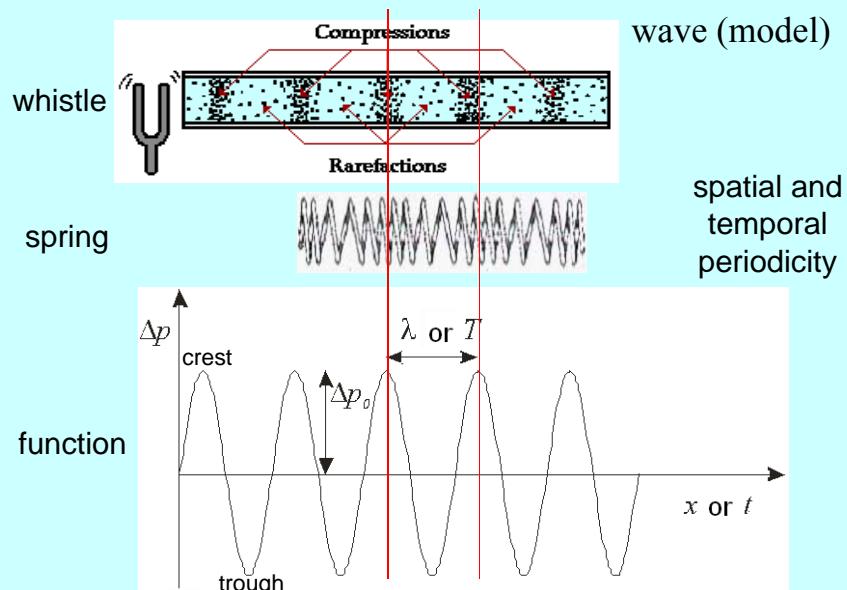
# Sound

and

## ultrasound



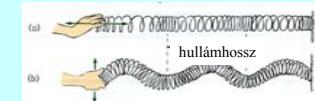
# Physics of sound



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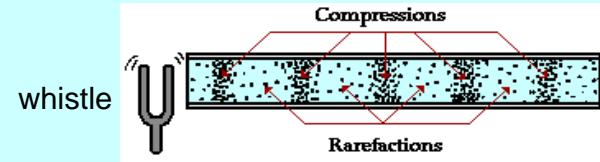
Longitudinal vs. Transverse wave



**longitudinal wave**  
(in the interior of liquids and gases only this type)

**transverse wave**  
can generated in solid materials and at liquid surfaces

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hydrostatic pressure      pressure change, sound pressure

$$p_{\text{total}} = p_{\text{hydrostat}} + \Delta p$$

pressure DC + AC

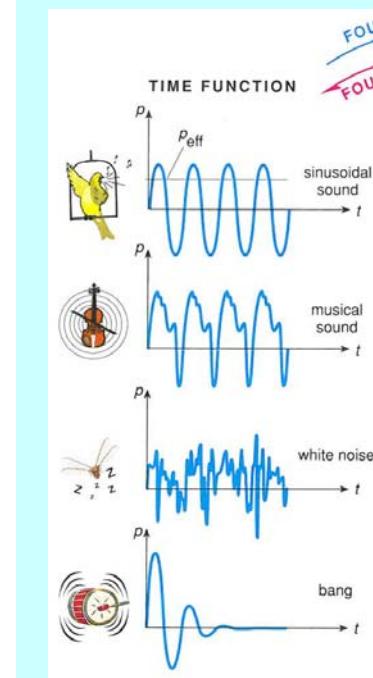
amplitude phase

$$\Delta p(t, x) = \Delta p_{\max} \sin\left[2\pi\left(\frac{t}{T} - \frac{x}{\lambda}\right)\right]$$

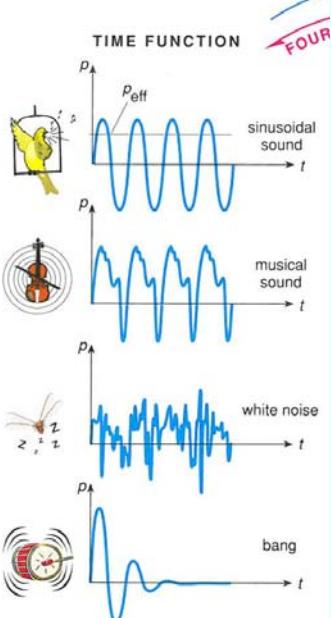


$$c \cdot T = \lambda, \quad c = f \cdot \lambda$$

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$$p(t) = p_1 \sin(\omega t) + p_2 \sin(2\omega t) + p_3 \sin(3\omega t) + \dots$$



**pitch**  
frequency of the fundamental

high

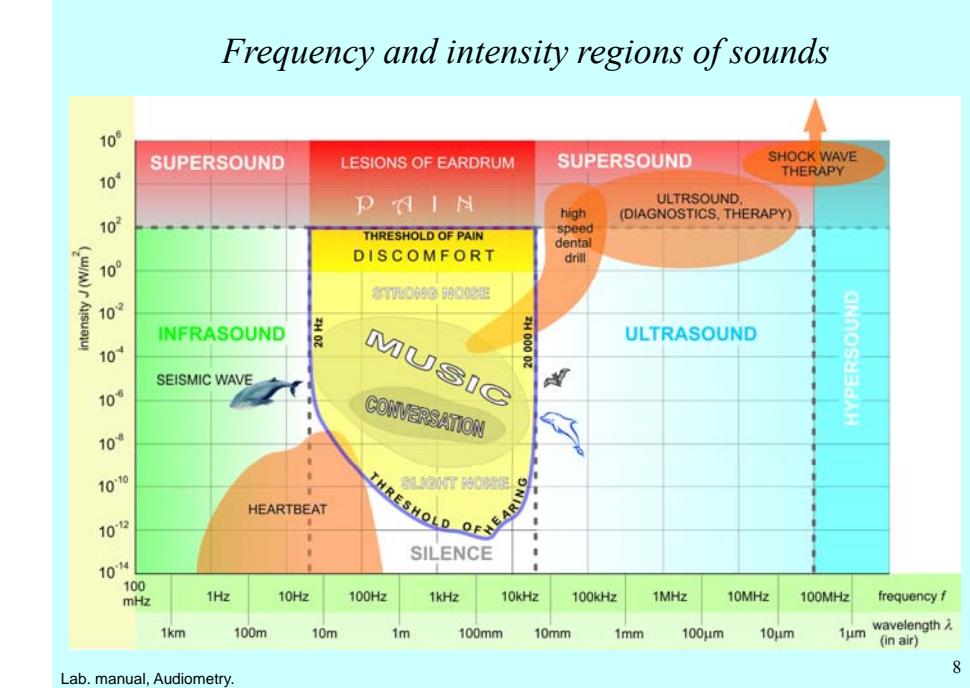
**timbre**  
relative strengths of overtones/harmonics (spectrum)

tone colour

**intensity**  
from pressure amplitude

loudness

Textbook, Fig. IV.23.



Lab. manual, Audiometry.

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## Propagation of sound/ultrasound

The role of elastic medium – *speed* of propagation

$$c = f\lambda$$



$$\kappa = -\frac{1}{V} \left( \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta p} \right)$$

**compressibility**  
relative volume decrease  
over pressure

$$c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\rho \kappa}}$$

$\rho$ : density of medium

Speed of propagation is higher in solids than in liquids.

$$\rho \uparrow \quad \kappa \downarrow$$

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## Propagation of sound/ultrasound

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$$\kappa = -\frac{\Delta V / V}{\Delta p}$$

$$Z = c\rho = \sqrt{\frac{\rho}{\kappa}}$$

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water 20°C	998	0,45	1492	$1,49 \cdot 10^6$
aluminum	2700	0,009	6400	$17,28 \cdot 10^6$
quartz	2650	0,011	5736	$15,2 \cdot 10^6$

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## Propagation of sound/ultrasound

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$$\kappa = -\frac{\Delta V / V}{\Delta p}$$

$$Z = \frac{p}{v} = \frac{p_{\max}}{v_{\max}}$$

acoustic **impedance**  
(definition)

$$Z_{el} = \frac{U}{I}$$

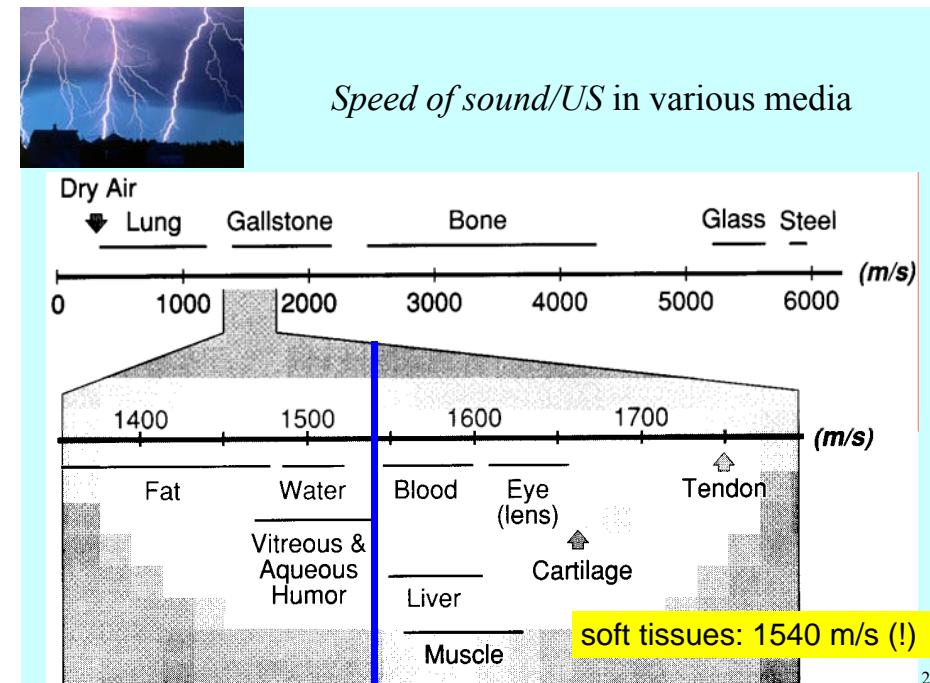
$$Z = c\rho = \sqrt{\frac{\rho}{\kappa}}$$

acoustic **impedance**  
(useful form)

[kg / m<sup>2</sup>s]

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Speed of sound/US in various media



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## Intensity of US

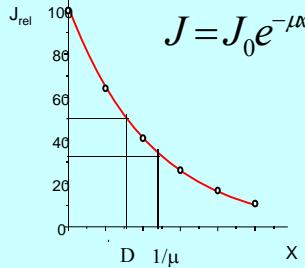
$$J = \frac{1}{Z} \Delta p_{\text{eff}}^2$$

intensity = energy-current density

$$P_{\text{el}} = \frac{1}{Z_{\text{el}}} U_{\text{eff}}^2$$

electric analogy

## Loss of energy during propagation (absorption)

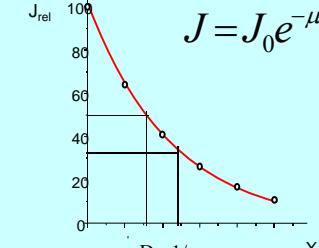


$$\text{attenuation: } \alpha = 10 \cdot \lg \frac{J_0}{J} \text{ dB}$$

$$\alpha = 10 \cdot \mu \cdot x \cdot \lg e \text{ dB}$$

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$$\boxed{\frac{\alpha}{f \cdot x}}$$

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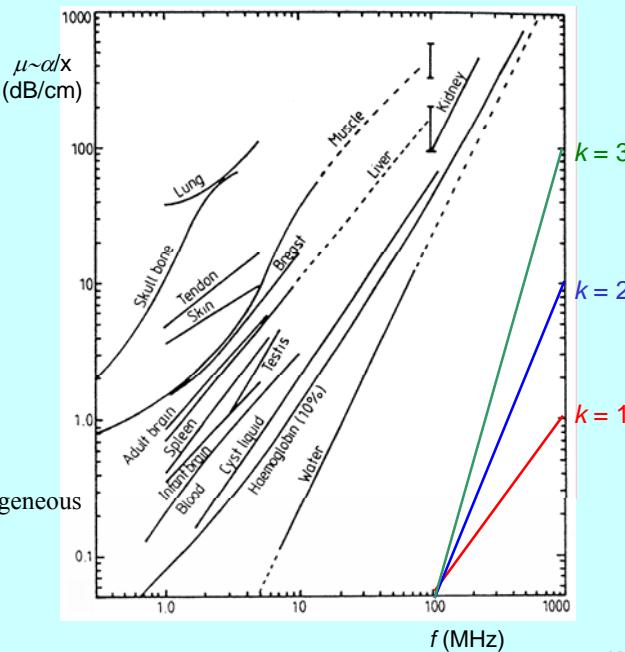
$$\mu \sim f^k, \quad k \sim 1 (?)$$

$$\log \mu \sim k \log f$$

if the graph is a linear, the power function approximation is valid

specific attenuation for soft tissues (homogeneous tissue model):

$$\boxed{\frac{\alpha}{f x} \sim 1 \frac{\text{dB}}{\text{cm MHz}}}$$



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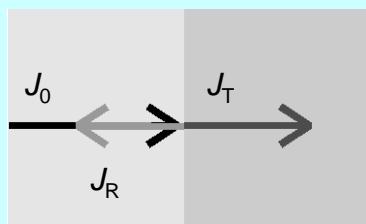
$$\frac{\alpha}{f x}$$

tissue	Specific attenuation
liver	0,6 – 0,9
kidney	0,8 – 1,0
fat	1,0 – 2,0
blood	0,17 – 0,24
bones	16 – 23

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## Phenomena at the boundary of different media

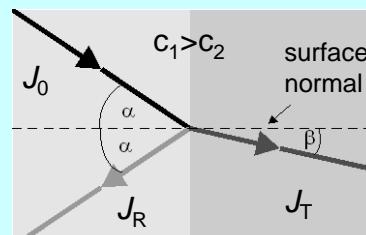
normal/perpendicular incidence



$$J_0 = J_R + J_T$$

reflection and transmission (penetration)

skew incidence

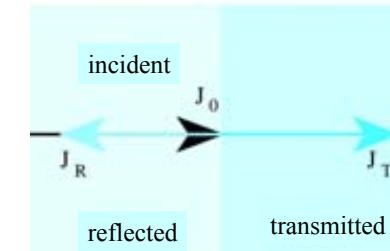


$$\frac{\sin \alpha}{\sin \beta} = \frac{c_1}{c_2}$$

Snellius-Descartes

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## Reflection of ultrasound



$$R = \frac{J_R}{J_0}$$

$$J_0 = J_R + J_T$$

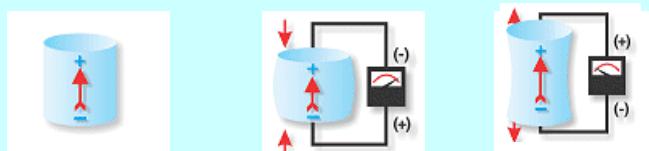
$$R = \left( \frac{Z_1 - Z_2}{Z_1 + Z_2} \right)^2$$

If  $R \approx 1$  → Total reflection

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## Detection/Generation of US

Piezoelectric effect



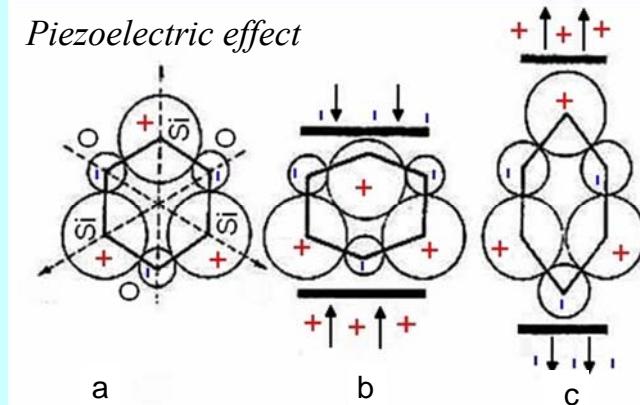
Pressure change

Mechanical deformation of crystal

Electric potential difference

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Piezoelectric effect



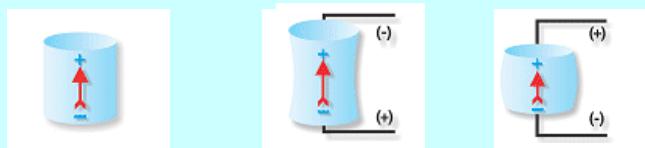
(a) Center of charge of positive and negative charges coincides.

(b) and (c) As a result of pressure, the charge centers are separated, i.e. a potential difference arises

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## Detection/Generation of US

Inverse piezoelectric effect



Periodic electric potential difference

The crystal is deformed when voltage is applied

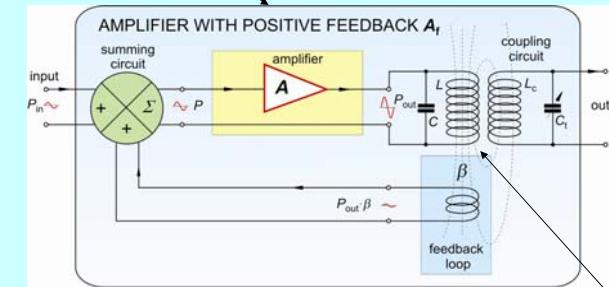
**Mechanical vibration**

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Source of electric signal: **sine wave oscillator**

$$A_f = \frac{P_{out}}{P_{in}} = \frac{A}{1 - A \cdot \beta}$$

amplification = „infinity“ → sine wave oscillator  
no input signal, output signal: sine voltage



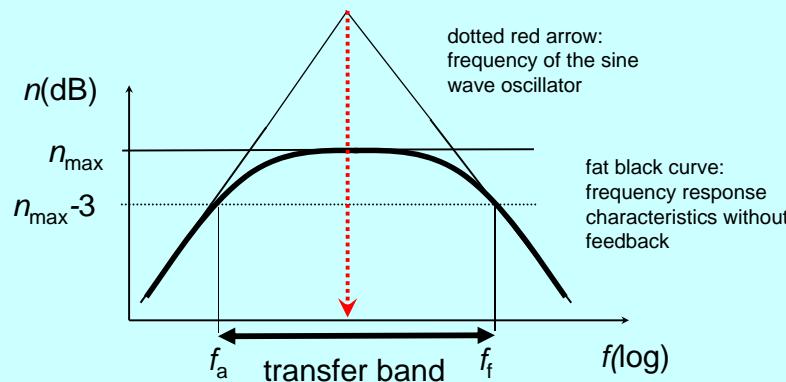
$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{LC}}$$

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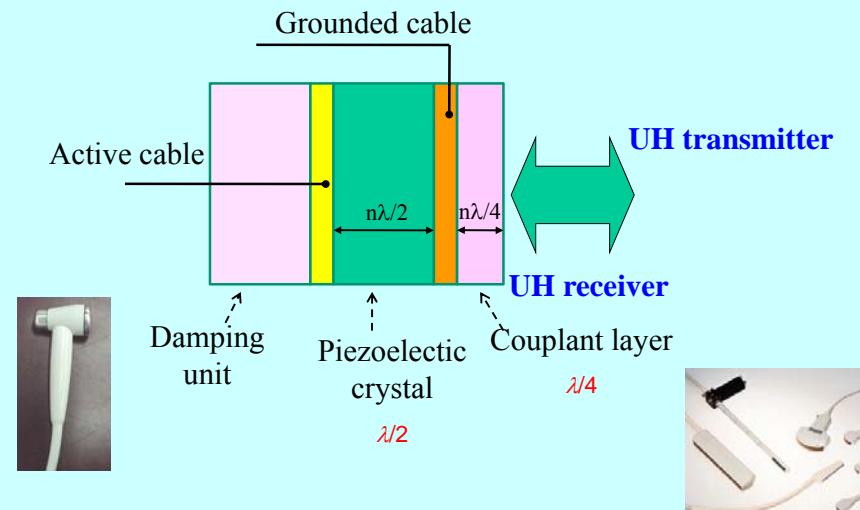
amplifier with positive feedback

$$A_{U, \text{feedback}} = \frac{A_U}{1 - \beta A_U}$$



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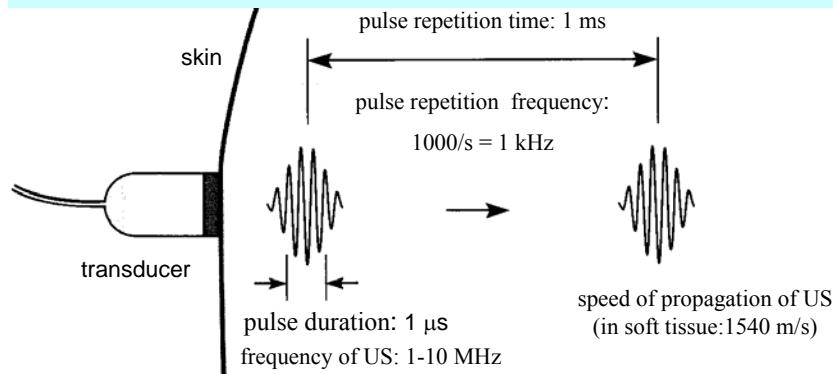
**Detection/Generation of US**  
- Ultrasound transducer



## Characteristic of US pulses

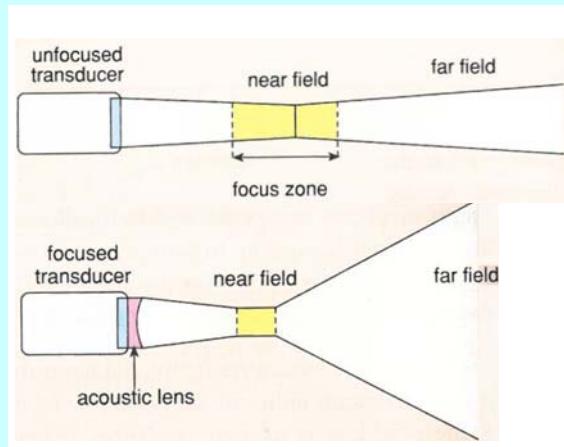
transducer: transmitter and receiver is the same unit

**time sharing mode:** pulses instead of continuous wave US



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## Focusing of the beam

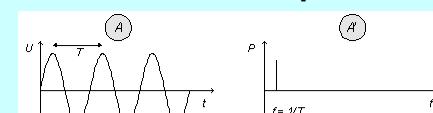


Focusing increases the divergence of the beam in the far field regime and reduces the depth sharpness.

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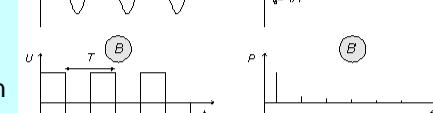
## Time function      Spectrum

sine function



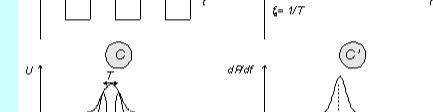
line spectrum (1 line)

square function



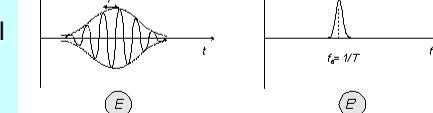
line spectrum

sine wave pocket (some „periods”)



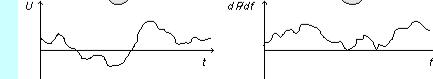
band spectrum

sine wave pocket (several „periods”)



band spectrum

aperiodic function



continuous spectrum

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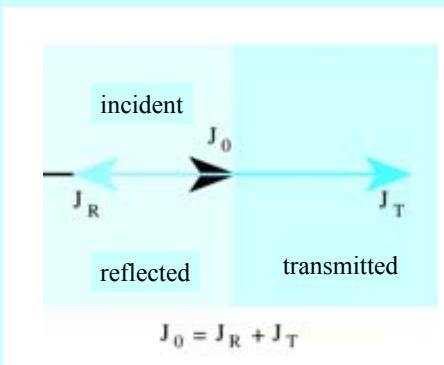
## Medical application of ultrasound

*Therapy* – based on absorption of US

*Diagnostics* – based on reflection of US

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## Reflection of ultrasound



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## Reflection of US

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interface	R
muscle/blood	0,0009
fat/liver	0,006
fat/muscle	0,01
bone/muscle	0,41
bone/fat	0,48
soft tissue/air	0,99

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## Reflection of US

material	c (m/s)	$\rho$ (kg/m³)	Z (kg/m²s)
pulp	1570	1000	$1,6 \cdot 10^6$
dentin	3800	2000	$7,6 \cdot 10^6$
Tooth enamel	6250	3000	$18,8 \cdot 10^6$
Al	6300	2700	$17 \cdot 10^6$
borosilicate	5300	3570	$18,9 \cdot 10^6$
amalgam	4350	7750	$33,7 \cdot 10^6$

interface	R
enamel/dentin	0,18
dentin/pulp	0,43
amalgam/dentin	0,40

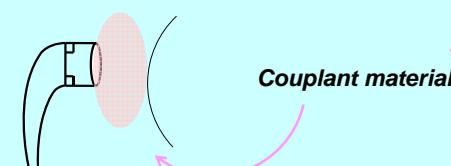
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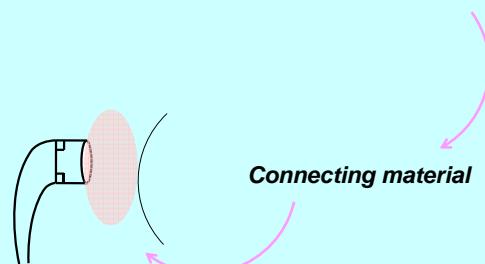


## Reflection of US

Optimal transmission:

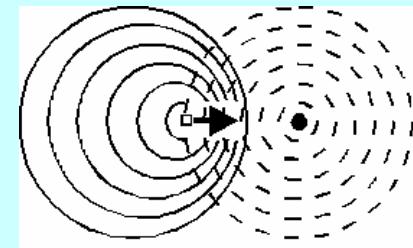
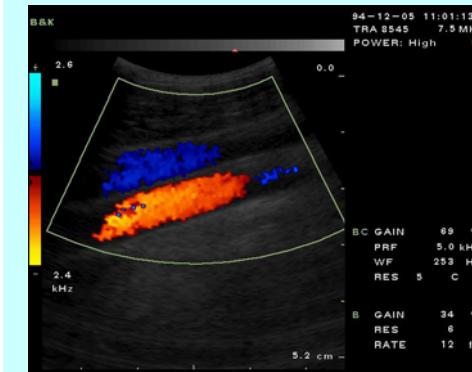
$$Z_{\text{con}} = \sqrt{Z_1 \cdot Z_2}$$

$$Z_{\text{gel}} \sim 6,5 \cdot 10^6 \text{ kg/(m}^2\text{s)}$$



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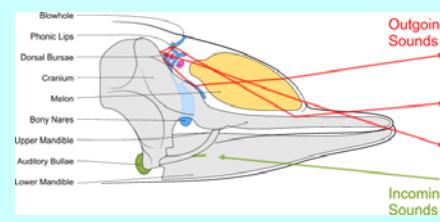
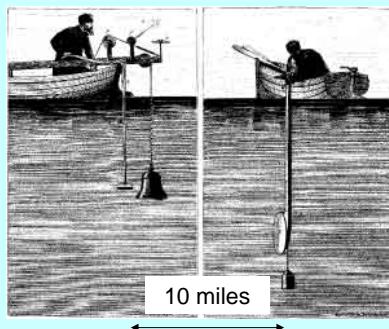
## US imaging. Modes of sonography. Doppler-echo.



## Echo principle

1794 - Spallanzani:  
bat's navigation

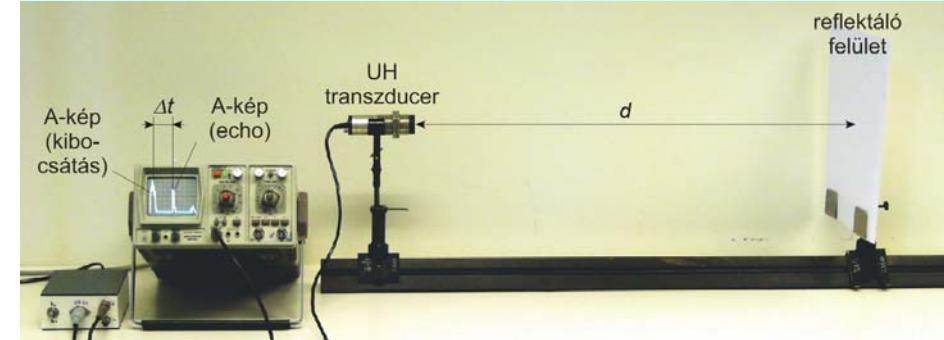
1822 - Colladen measured  
the speed of sound in water



bottlenose dolphin

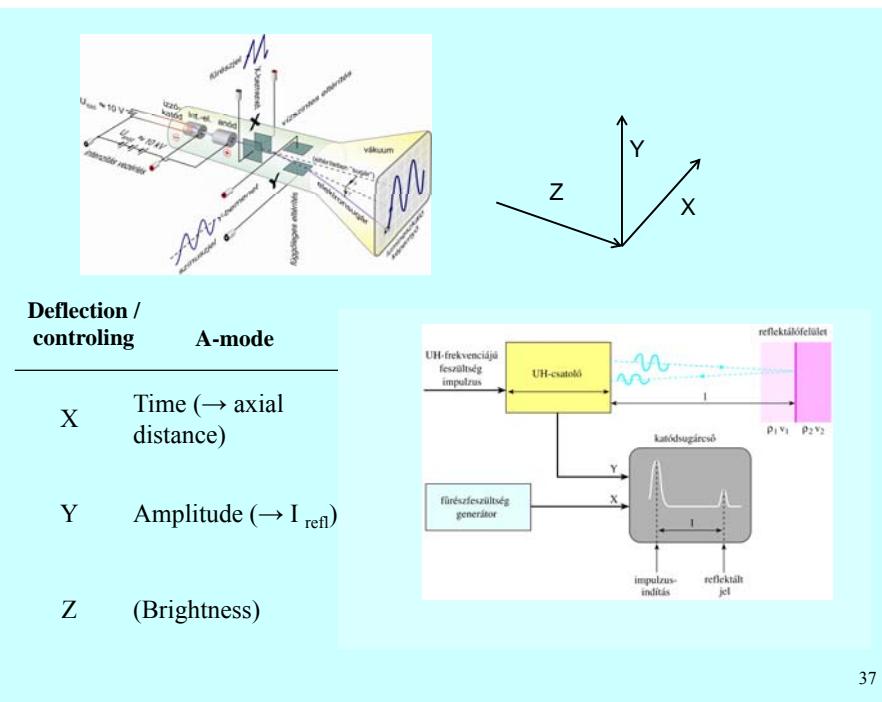
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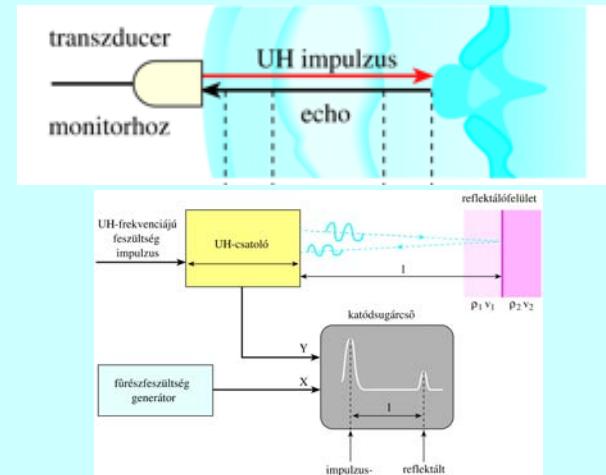


$$c\Delta t = d+d = 2d$$

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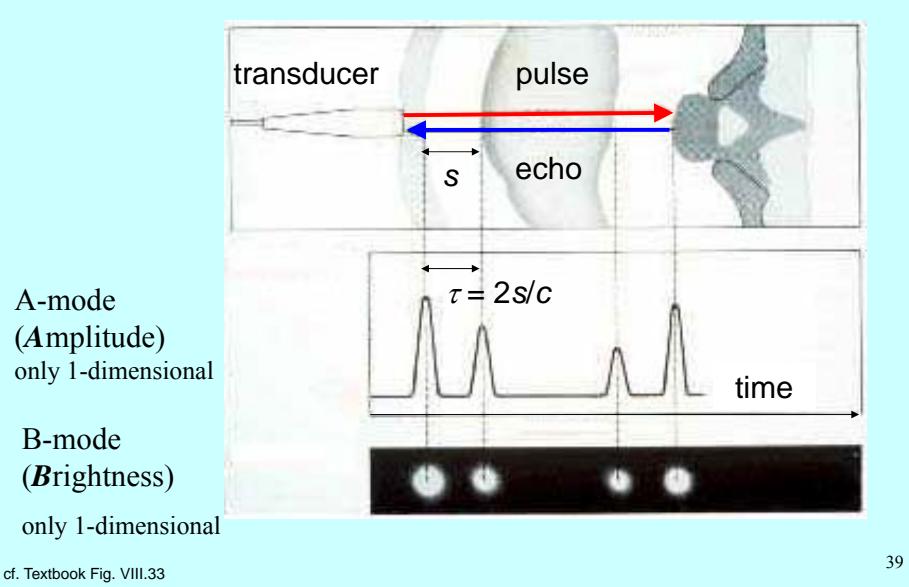


## A-image - Amplitúdó



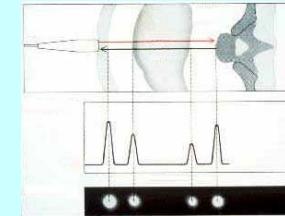
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## B-image - Brightness



Deflection / controlling      A-mode      1-dimensional B-mode

X	Time ( $\rightarrow$ axial distance)	Time ( $\rightarrow$ axial distance)
Y	Amplitude ( $\rightarrow I_{\text{refl}}$ )	-
Z	(Brightness)	Brightness ( $\rightarrow I_{\text{refl}}$ )



*Question of the week*

What is the function of couplant materials in US diagnostics?

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*Damjanovich, Fidy, Szöllősi: Orvosi Biofizika*

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