

# Sound - Ultrasound

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## Outline of the lecture

### Topics:

- Sound as wave
- Propagation of sound in media
- Sensory perception of sound
- Audiometry
- Ultrasound and its applications
- Basics of sonography
- Ultrasound images
- Measurement of distance and flow velocity

**Textbook chapters:** II/2.4.; IV/3.1.;  
IV/3.5.; VIII/4.2.

**Related laboratory practices:**  
Ultrasound, Audiometry

### Sound as wave

mechanical wave  
→ medium

longitudinal wave  
(air, fluids)

$c = \frac{\lambda}{T} = \lambda \cdot f$

transverse wave  
(solids, fluid surface)

osc. → prop. →

osc. ↑

prop. →

osc. ↓

prop. →

### Sound – travelling of vibration state in time and space

point source of a harmonic sound wave

compression

rarefaction

$p$

$p_{atm}$

$P_{max}$

$\lambda$

$c = \lambda f$

$x$

$c$

$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T}$

$\omega \cdot t \sim \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \cdot x$

$P_{sum} = P_{atm} + P_{sound}$

$y(t) = A \cdot \sin(\omega \cdot t)$

$P(t) = P_{max} \cdot \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{T} \cdot t\right)$

$P(x) = P_{max} \cdot \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \cdot x\right)$

$P(t, x) = P_{max} \cdot \sin\left[2\pi\left(\frac{t}{T} - \frac{x}{\lambda}\right)\right]$

### Propagation of sound in media

compressibility, density, speed



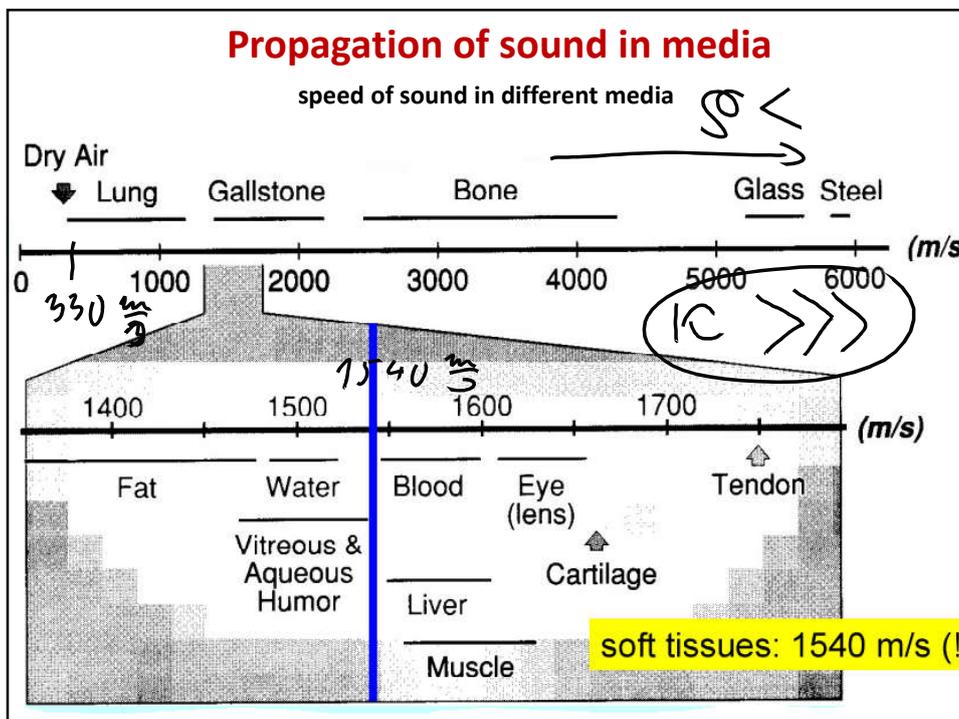
$\frac{F}{A} = p \Rightarrow \frac{\Delta V}{V}$

$$K = \frac{-\frac{\Delta V}{V}}{\Delta p}$$

$$c = \frac{1}{\rho \cdot K}$$

$c \sim \frac{1}{\rho} \sim \frac{1}{K}$

$\frac{1}{\rho} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\frac{kg}{m^3}} = \frac{m^3}{kg}$   
 $\frac{1}{K} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\frac{Pa}{m^2}} = \frac{m^2}{Pa}$   
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### Propagation of sound in media

velocity of particles and pressure, acoustic impedance/hardness

$u \neq c$  - speed of wave

$m = \rho \cdot V = \rho \cdot A \cdot l$

$l = c \cdot \Delta t$

$v = \frac{\Delta l}{\Delta t}$  speed of particles

$F \cdot \Delta t = m \cdot v = \rho \cdot A \cdot c \cdot \Delta t \cdot v$

$\frac{F}{A} = p = \rho \cdot c \cdot v$

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

$Z = \frac{p}{v}$  elect.

$Z = \frac{p}{v}$

$Z = \rho \cdot c$

$Z = c \cdot \rho$

$Z^2 = \frac{\rho}{\rho \cdot \kappa} = \frac{\rho}{\kappa}$

### Propagation of sound in media

examples - density, compressibility, speed, acoustic impedance

$\kappa = \frac{-\Delta V / V}{\Delta p}$ 
 $c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\rho \kappa}}$ 
 $Z = \rho c = \sqrt{\frac{\rho}{\kappa}}$ 

$\downarrow$  much smaller

material	$\rho$	$\kappa$	$c$	$Z$
	[kg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	[1/GPa]	[m/s]	[kg/(m <sup>2</sup> ·s)]
air	1.3	7650	331	0.00043 · 10 <sup>6</sup>
water, 20°C	998	0.45	1492	1.49 · 10 <sup>6</sup>
soft tissue	1060	0.40	1540	1.63 · 10 <sup>6</sup>
dense bone	1700	0.05	3600	6.12 · 10 <sup>6</sup>
quartz	2650	0.011	5736	15.2 · 10 <sup>6</sup>

### Propagation of sound in media

intensity, intensity-level

$J \sim A^2$

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

$J_{dB} = 10 \lg \frac{J}{J_0}$

$I = u \cdot u$

$P = \frac{u^2}{R}$

$P = \frac{u_{eff}^2}{Z}$

$J = \frac{\Delta P_{eff}^2}{Z}$

### Propagation of sound in media

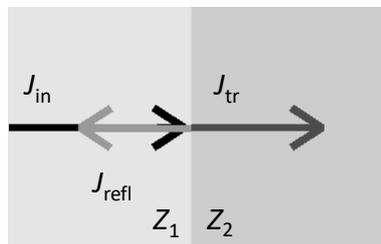
loss of energy during propagation, damping, specific damping

$(dB) \alpha = 10 \lg \frac{J_0}{J} = 10 \mu \cdot x \cdot \lg e$   
 damping attenuation  
 $J = J_0 e^{-\mu x}$   
 $\mu \sim d \sim f$   
 specific damping material  
 $\frac{\alpha}{f \cdot x}$

$f = 1 \text{ MHz-en:}$   
 $D_{air} \sim 1 \text{ cm}$   
 $D_{water} \sim 1 \text{ m}$

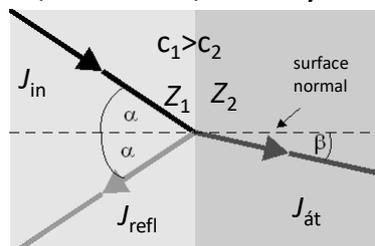
## Phenomena at the boundary of media

normal incidence, skew incidence, reflection, transmission, reflexivity



$$J_{in} = J_{tr} + J_{refl}$$

reflection and transmission



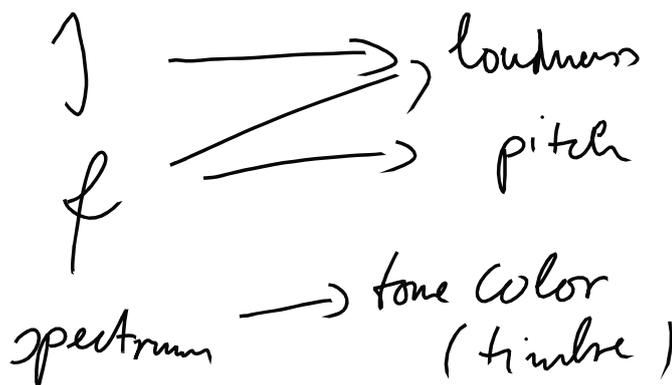
$$\frac{\sin \alpha}{\sin \beta} = \frac{c_1}{c_2}$$

Snellius-Descartes

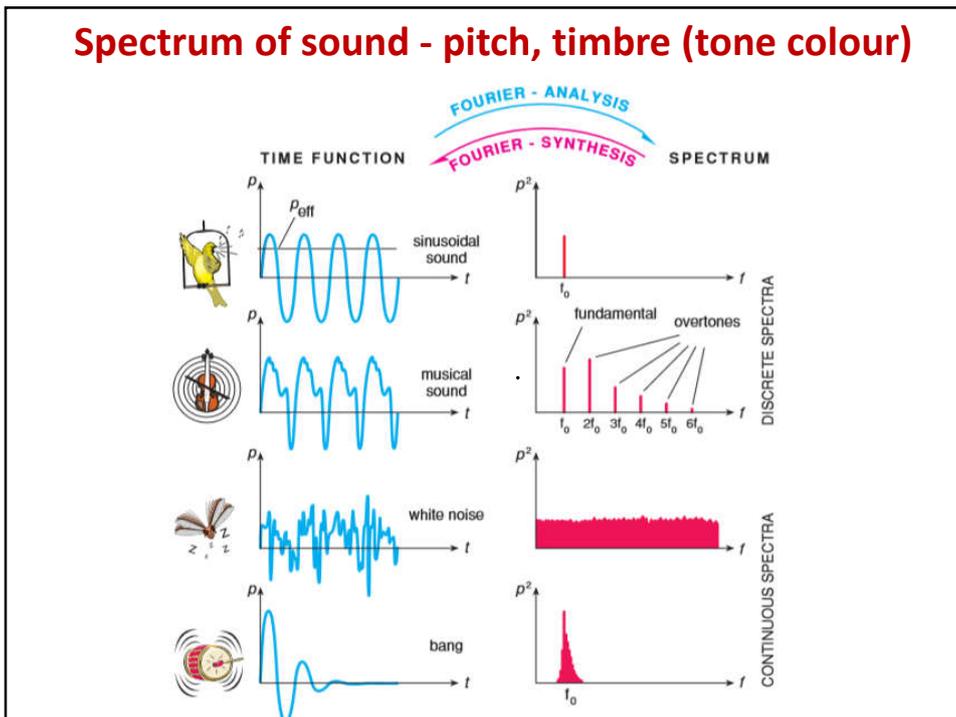
Reflexivity:

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

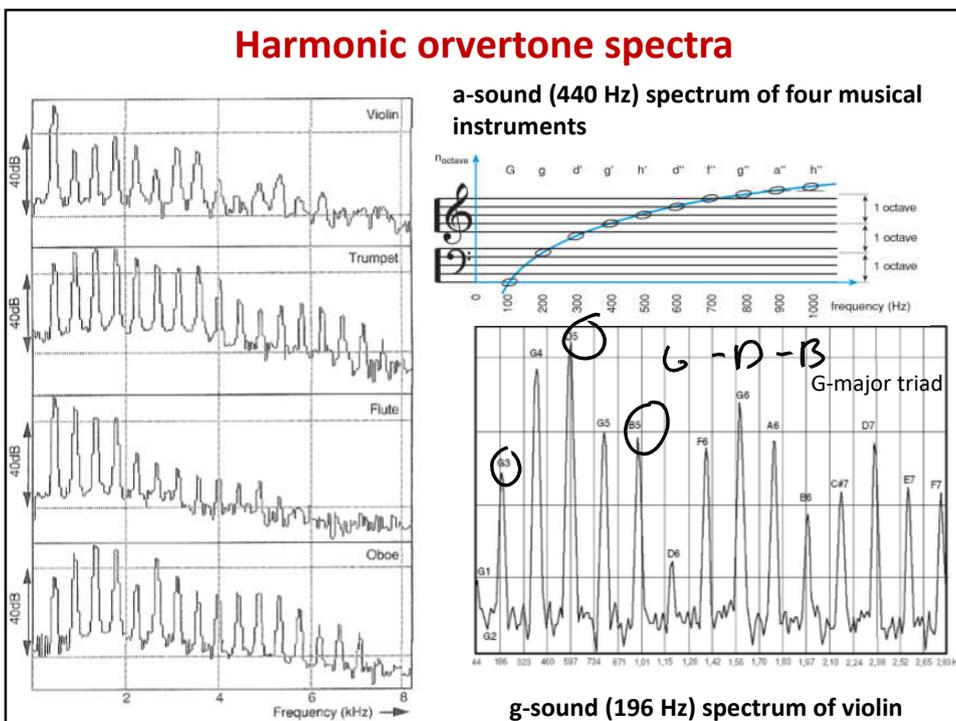
## Physical properties of sound and sensory perceptions

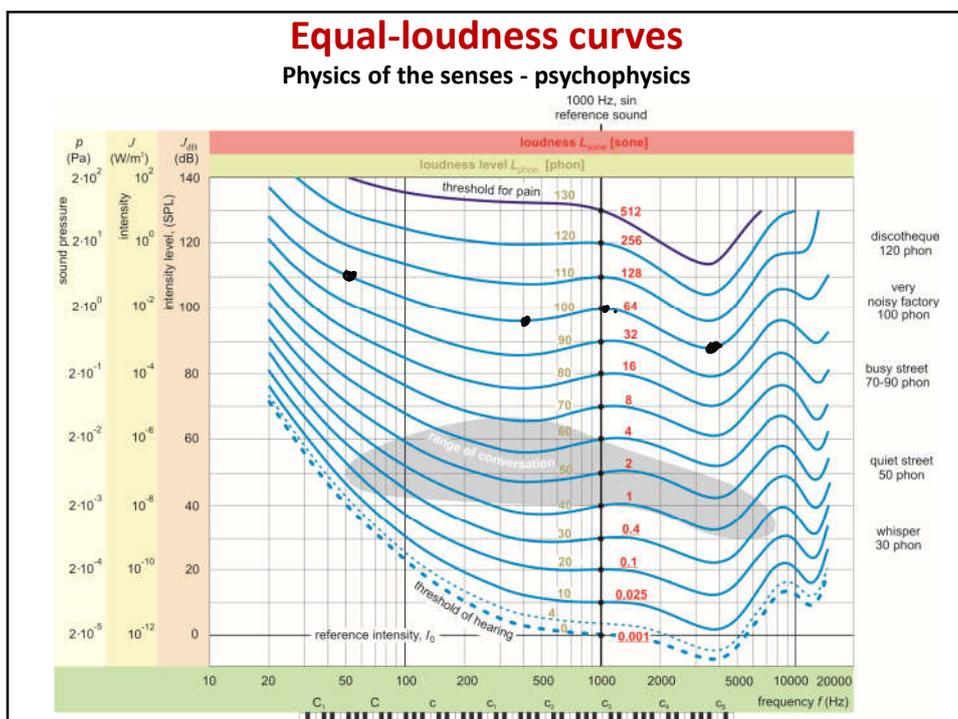
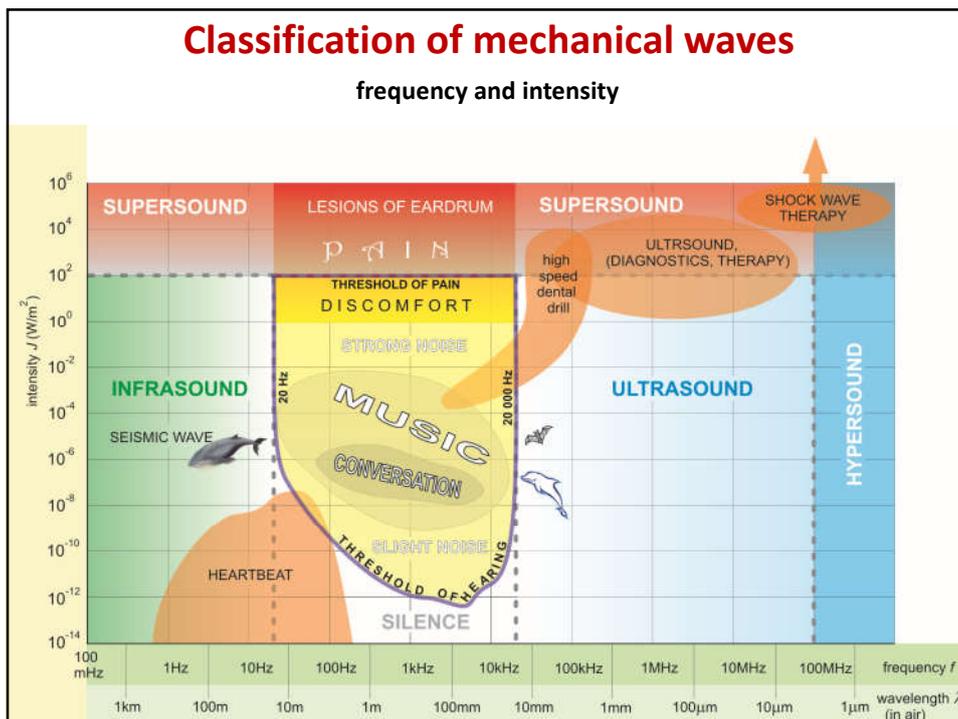


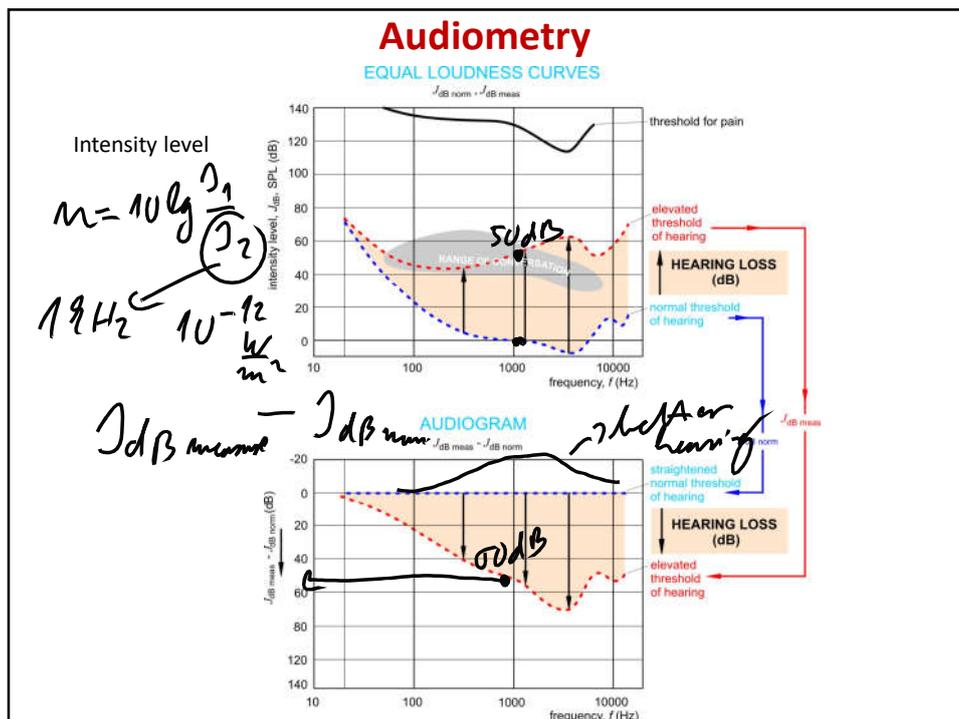
## Spectrum of sound - pitch, timbre (tone colour)



## Harmonic overtone spectra







## Medical applications of ultrasound

### A. Diagnostics (Sonography) – US reflection

1. Generating US
2. Pulse-echo method
3. Image types
4. Measurement of blood flow

### B. Therapy – US absorption

### Generating US

Piezoelectric crystal, transducer

*direct piezo. electric effect*  
*detection of US*

*inverse piezoelectric effect*  
*→ generate US*

**Diagnostics:**  $f = 1 - 10 \text{ MHz}$ ,  $J \sim \text{mW/cm}^2$   
**Therapy:**  $f = 0,8 - 1,2 \text{ MHz}$ ,  $J \sim \text{W/cm}^2$

### Generating US

Source of the electrical signal – sine wave oscillator  
amplifier with positive feedback  $A_{P,FB}$

Input:  $P_{in}$   
 Summing circuit:  $P = P_{in} + P_{out} \cdot \beta$   
 Basic amplifier:  $A_p$   
 Feedback circuit:  $\beta$   
 Output:  $P_{out}$

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

Resonance peak at  $n_{max}$   
 Bandwidth:  $f_a$  to  $f_r$   
 Gain at  $f_a$  and  $f_r$ :  $n_{max} - 3$

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

$\infty$  (when  $\beta A_U = 1$ )

amplifier with positive feedback  
 $\beta A_U = 1$ , amplification = „infinity“ sine wave oscillator  
 no input signal, output signal: sine voltage

### US imaging – pulse-echo method

coupling gel, distance measurement, images

$R = \frac{Z_2 - Z_1}{Z_1 + Z_2}$

$R \approx 1$  without gel

$C \cdot \Delta t = 2d$

A-line  
1D  
B-line

### Types of US images

A-image, 1D B-image, 2D B-image, TM-image

ECC  
EKG

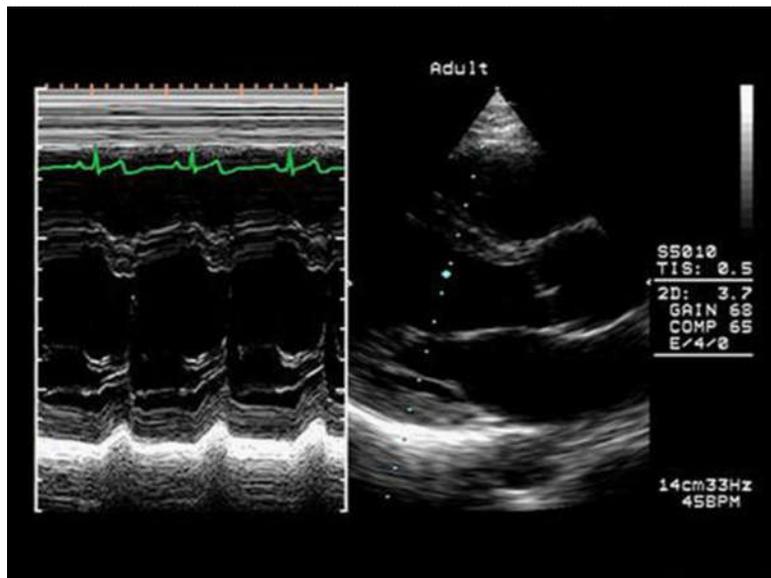
TM

1 2 3 4

## Types of US images

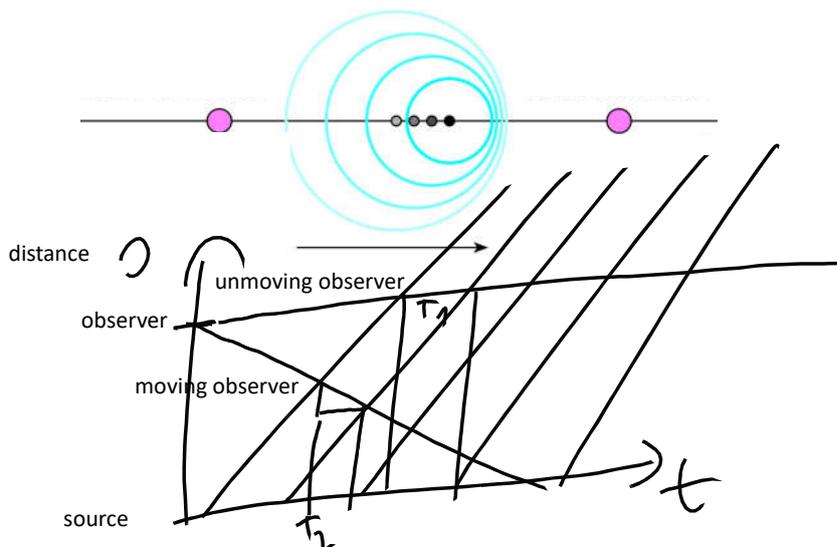
TM image

B image



## Doppler phenomenon

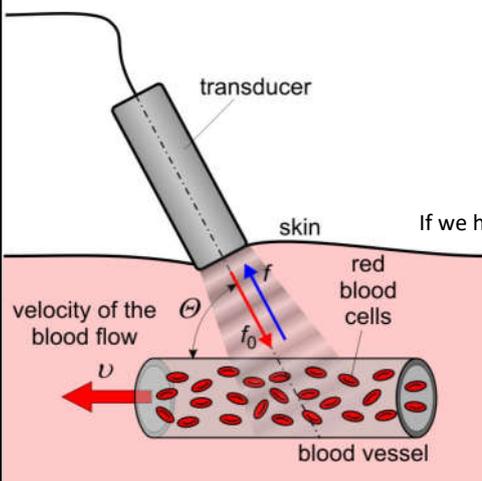
observer and source of radiation move relative to each other



$T_1 > T_2$  ----  $f_1 < f_2$ , if the observer moves toward the source, higher  $f$  is heard

### Continuous wave (CW) Doppler measurement

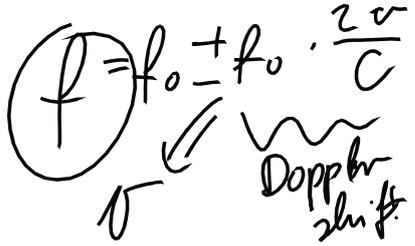
separate emitter and receiver (near to each other), blood flow velocity



If we have moving reflecting surface,  $2 \cdot v$  is needed

$$f_{New} = f_0 \left( \frac{c+v}{c} \right) \left( \frac{c-v}{c} \right) = f_0 \left( 1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2} \right)$$

*mean*  
*away* Doppler shift



*Doppler shift*

If we the reflecting surface does not move parallel with the US beam,  $2 \cdot v \cdot \cos\theta$  is needed

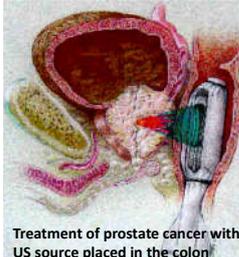
### US therapy

mechanical and/or heat effect

**A. low intensity:** micromassage – therapy of joints, muscle relaxation, pain relief and dilatation of blood vessels

**B. High intensity:** destructive effect  
binding forces between the cells changed  
free radical formation,  $H_2O_2$ , DNS chain breaks

1. hyperthermic therapy  
absorption – energy converted to heat
2. cavitation – HIFU - therapy (High Intensity Focused Ultrasound)
3. dentistry: removing plaques (20-40 kHz)



Treatment of prostate cancer with US source placed in the colon

