

9.6 Wave Equation (part 2)

$$y_{tt} = a^2 y_{xx}$$



$$y(0, t) = y(L, t) = 0$$

$$y(x, 0) = f(x)$$

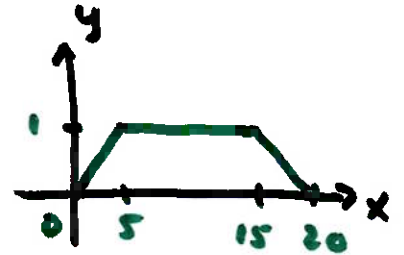
$$y_t(x, 0) = g(x)$$

Problem A : $g(x) = 0$, $f(x) \neq 0$

$$y(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi a t}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$A_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

example : $L = 20$, $a = 1$, $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{5}x & 0 \leq x \leq 5 \\ 1 & 5 \leq x \leq 15 \\ \frac{20-x}{5} & 15 \leq x \leq 20 \end{cases}$



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$$A_n = \frac{2}{20} \int_0^{20} f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{20}\right) dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{20} \left[\int_0^5 \frac{1}{5}x \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{20}\right) dx + \int_5^{15} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{20}\right) dx + \int_{15}^{20} \frac{20-x}{5} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{20}\right) dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{8}{n^2 \pi^2} \left(\sin \frac{n\pi}{4} + \sin \frac{3n\pi}{4} \right) \quad n = 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$$

$n=1$: Fundamental Mode (first harmonic / overtone)

$$y_1(x,t) = \frac{8\sqrt{2}}{\pi^2} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{20}t\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{20}x\right)$$

↳ fundamental circular frequency

$$\frac{\pi/20}{2\pi} = \frac{1}{40} \text{ Hz}$$

if this were a string of an instrument, we would hear
sound of frequency $\frac{1}{40} \text{ Hz}$

fundamental mode is often the most dominant one

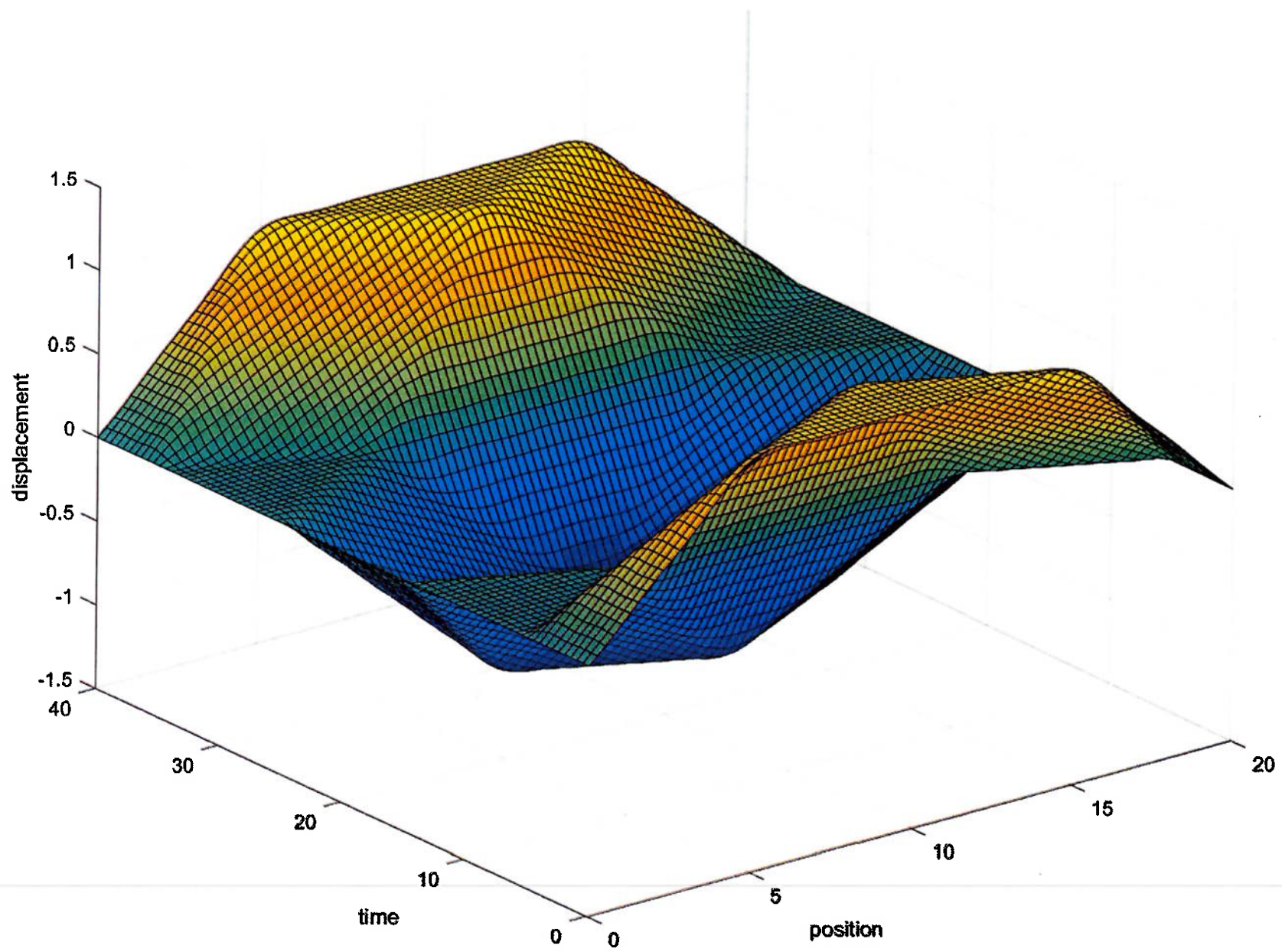
$n=2$: second harmonic / overtone

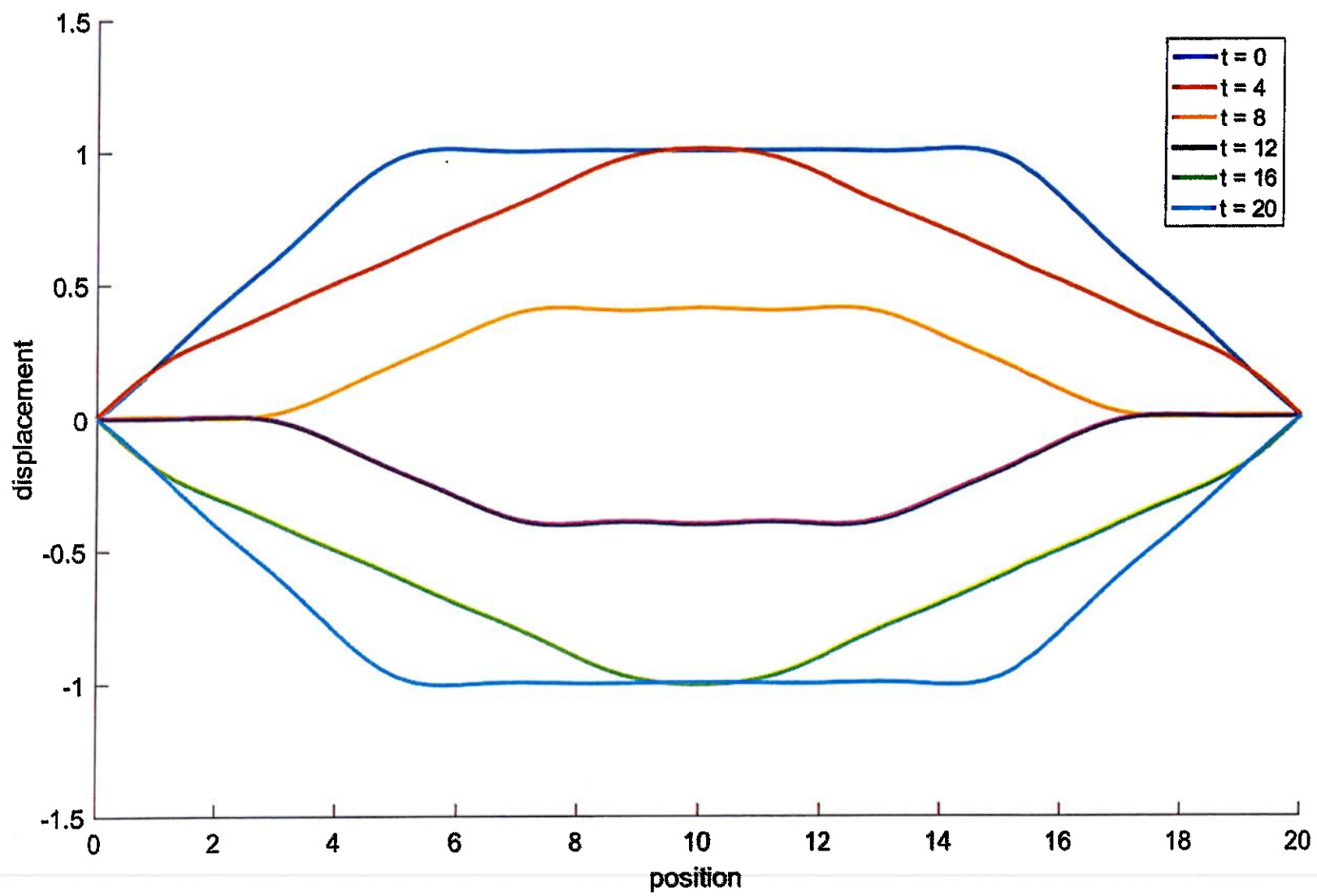
frequency: $\frac{n\pi}{20} = 2 \cdot \frac{\pi}{20}$ doubling the first harmonic

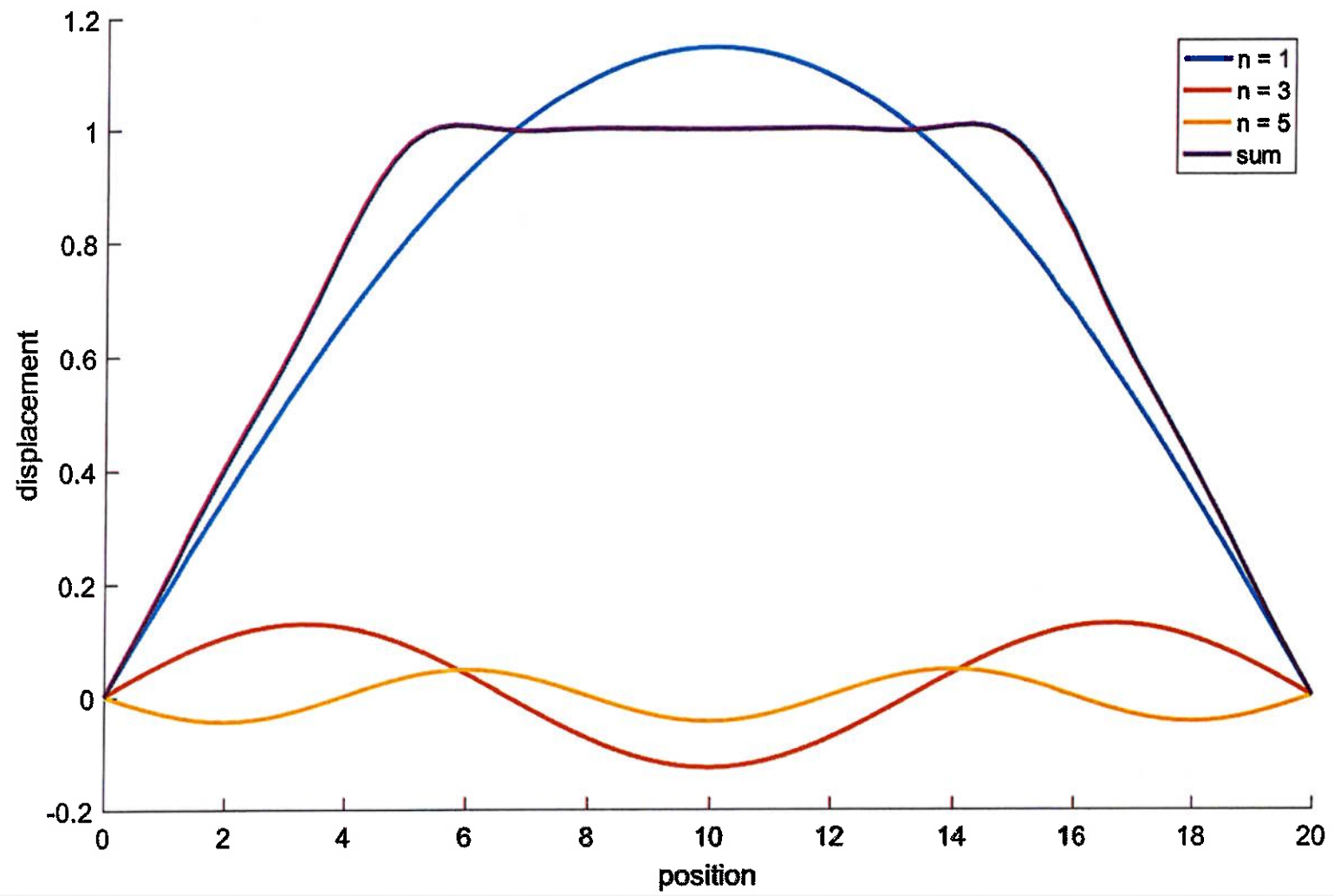
Sound is one octave higher

$n=3$: third harmonic

one octave plus a perfect fifth above fundamental







Problem B: $y_{tt} = a^2 y_{xx}$
 $y(0, t) = y(L, t) = 0$
 $y(x, 0) = 0$
 $y_t(x, 0) = g(x)$

$$y = X(x)T(t) \quad y_{tt} = XT'' \quad y_{xx} = X''T$$

$$XT'' = a^2 X''T$$

$$\frac{X''}{X} = \frac{T''}{a^2 T} = -\lambda$$

BC's: $y(0, t) = 0 \rightarrow X(0)T(t) = 0 \rightarrow X(0) = 0$
 $y(L, t) = 0 \rightarrow X(L)T(t) = 0 \rightarrow X(L) = 0$

space part is identical to Problem A

$$\lambda_n = \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{L^2} \quad X_n = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

time problem: $T'' + a^2 \lambda T = 0$

IC: $y(x, 0) = 0$

$$T'' + \frac{a^2 n^2 \pi^2}{L^2} T = 0$$

$$X(x)T(0) = 0 \rightarrow T(0) = 0$$

$$T = C_1 \cos\left(\frac{n\pi a t}{L}\right) + C_2 \sin\left(\frac{n\pi a t}{L}\right)$$

$$T(0) = 0 \rightarrow 0 = C_1 \quad \text{so, } T_n = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi a t}{L}\right)$$

$$\text{so, } y_n = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi at}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$\text{Prob. A: } y_n = \cos\left(\frac{n\pi at}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$y(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi at}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$\text{unused IC: } y_t(x, 0) = g(x)$$

$$y_t(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(B_n \cdot \frac{n\pi a}{L}\right) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi at}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

at $t=0$

$$g(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(B_n \cdot \frac{n\pi a}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

Sine series w/ coeff
 $B_n \cdot \frac{n\pi a}{L}$

$$B_n \cdot \frac{n\pi a}{L} = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L g(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

$$B_n = \frac{2}{n\pi a} \int_0^L g(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

general solution: $\underbrace{f(x)}_A \neq 0, \underbrace{g(x)}_B \neq 0$

solve A ignoring $g(x)$, solve B ignoring $f(x)$
then add them together