

Chapter 4. THE PERCEPTION OF LIGHT AND SOUND

-A wave is a disturbance that travels through a medium. A wave transports energy; it does not transport matter.

-**Longitudinal Wave:** moves parallel to the motion of its medium. Example: Sound waves, a slinky.

- Divided into regions of compression and regions of rarefaction

-**Sound Waves** are longitudinal waves produced by the vibration of an object and transmitted to the object's environment.

- The Decibel Scale measures the relative intensity of sounds to human ears.
- For every 10dB sound increases X10, not +10
- EX: $1 \xrightarrow{\times 10} 10 \text{ dB} \xrightarrow{\times 10} 20 \text{ dB} \xrightarrow{\times 10} 30 \text{ dB} \xrightarrow{\times 10} 40 \text{ dB} \dots$ 40 dB 10000x louder than 1dB
- Sounds above 100 dB are damaging to the human ear.
- Frequency of sound waves (UNIT: Hz) determines if we can hear it or not. Humans can hear 20 - 20 000Hz. Sounds under 20Hz are called infrasound. Sounds over 20 000Hz are called ultrasound.

-**Transverse wave:** moves perpendicular to the motion of its medium. Examples: water surface, electromagnetic waves (Radio → Gamma).

- Wavelength: Distance between crests shorter means more energy
- Amplitude: "Height" from mid-line (rest position) ↑ means more energy
- Frequency: # of crests per sec.

-**Light** is an electromagnetic wave that is visible to the human eye. (p.111-116)

- Lenses refract **light** (cause the wave to deviate or change direction)
- There are 2 types of lenses:

- **Converging:** lenses that cause light to focus on the other side.



- Ex: Magnifying Glass Human eye (cornea) Presbyopia
- Corrects hyperopia (farsightedness) and ~~hyperopia~~ (aging eye muscles)
- Produces an image that is _____, _____, and _____.

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- **Diverging:** lenses that cause light to separate apart on the other side



- Corrects myopia (nearsightedness)
- Produces an image that is virtual, upright, and smaller.

Chapter 3. THE BEHAVIOUR OF FLUIDS

-A Fluid is a substance that has the capacity to Flow and assume the shape of the container into which it has been poured.

-A fluid can be a liquid or a gas.

-A **compressible fluid** is a fluid whose volume can change. Gases are compressible fluids.

-An **incompressible fluid** is a fluid whose volume cannot change. Liquids are incompressible fluids

-Pressure is a Force applied perpendicular to a surface. FORMULA: $P = \frac{F}{A}$ UNITS: Pa (Pascals)

-If force increases, pressure ↑. If force decreases, pressure ↓.

-If surface area increases, pressure ↓. If surface area decreases, pressure ↑.

-The pressure exerted on an object by an incompressible fluid (like water) depends on:

- The depth of the object in the fluid.
- The density of the fluid.

-Pressure on an object in an incompressible fluid depends on the _____ and the _____

-For a compressible fluid, if pressure ↑ volume decreases, and if pressure ↓ volume increases.

-3 General Principles

- Fluid moves from high P to low P
- In a closed container, P is uniformly (evenly) distributed.
- Transfer of P can ↑ the force involved.