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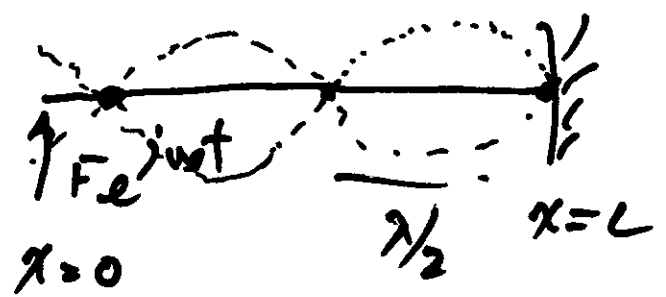
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$$u(x,t) = \frac{F}{\rho c} e^{i\omega t} e^{-ikx}$$

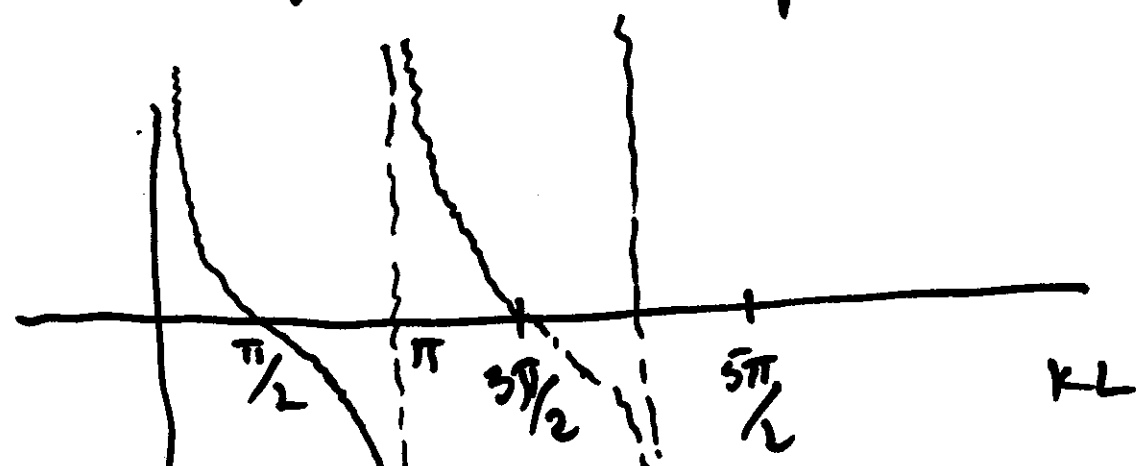
$$z_{in} = \rho c$$



$$y(x,t) = \left( \frac{F}{kT} \right) \frac{\sin k(L-x)}{\cos kL} e^{i\omega t}$$

$$z_{mo} = -j \underbrace{\rho c}_{\text{medium}} \underbrace{\cot kL}_{\text{geometry}} \quad \text{imaginary}$$

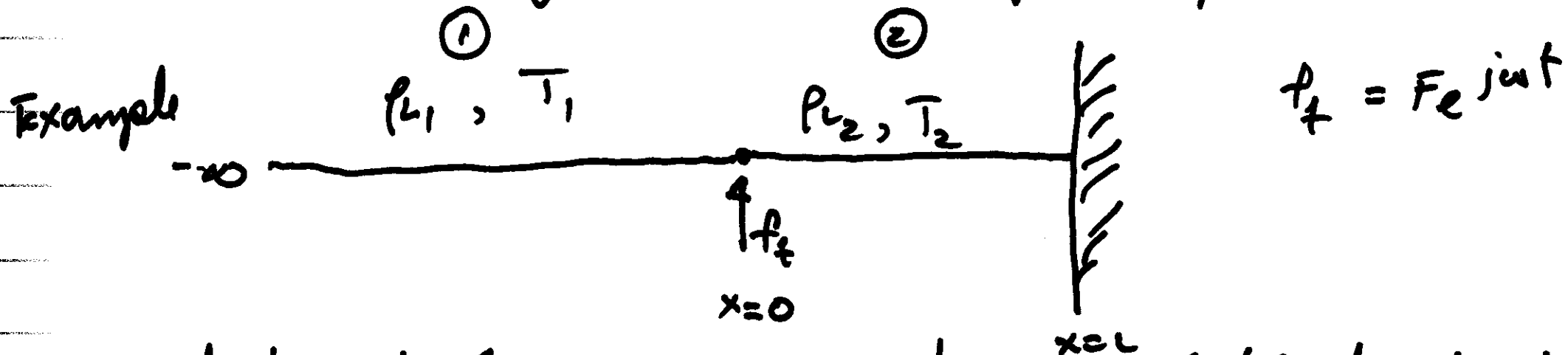
$\text{Im} \{ z_{mo} \} = 0$  defines the natural frequencies



frequencies of maximum response

$(kL)_1 = \pi/2$      $(kL)_2 = \frac{3\pi}{2}$      $\rightarrow$  natural freqs

### 2.4.3 Strings with multiple segments



must treat the two segments as distinct strings  
 - coupled together through b.c.'s

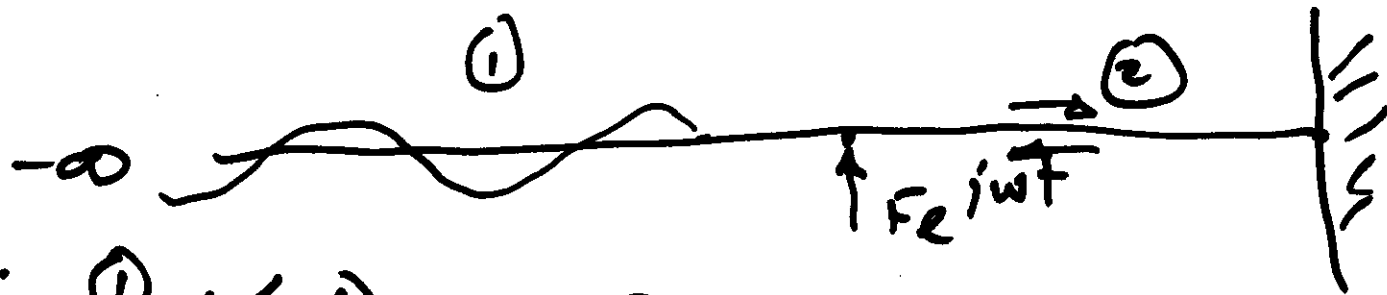
wave Eqn for each segment

$$\frac{\partial^2 y_1}{\partial x^2} - \frac{1}{c_1^2} \frac{\partial^2 y_1}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

$$c_1 = \sqrt{T_1/\rho_1}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 y_2}{\partial x^2} - \frac{1}{c_2^2} \frac{\partial^2 y_2}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

$$c_2 = \sqrt{T_2/\rho_2}$$



In the region ①  $x \leq 0$

$$y_1(x, t) = A e^{j(\omega t - k_1 x)} + B e^{j(\omega t + k_1 x)}$$

+ve
-ve

$$k_1 = \omega/c_1$$

In region ②  $0 \leq x \leq L$

$$y_2(x, t) = C e^{j(\omega t - k_2 x)} + D e^{j(\omega t + k_2 x)}$$

$$k_2 = \omega/c_2$$

3 unknowns

3 b.c.'s - 2 displacement conditions  
 - force b.c.

slope at the drive point is not necessarily continuous - string has no flexural stiffness

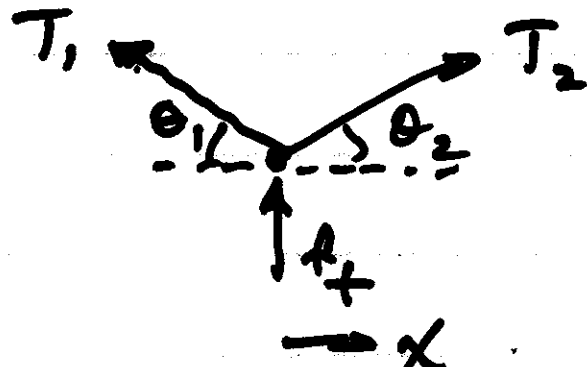
b.c.'s

$$(i) \quad x = L \quad y_2(L, t) = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$(ii) \quad x = 0 \quad y_1(0, t) = y_2(0, t) \quad (2)$$

displacement  
continuity

(iii) force b.c. at  $x=0$



$$\sum f_y = 0 = F_t + T_2 \sin \theta_2 \Big|_{x=0} + T_1 \sin \theta_1 \Big|_{x=0}$$

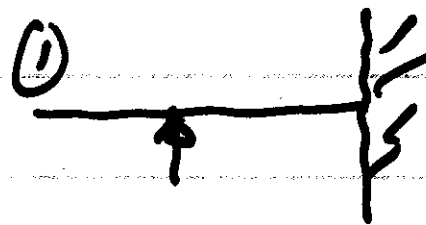
$$F_t + T_2 \frac{\partial y_2}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=0} - T_1 \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=0} = 0 \quad (3)$$

$$F_t = F e^{i\omega t}$$

Substitute assumed solutions into (1), (2) & (3)

3 linear eqns in unknowns B, C & D

Solve



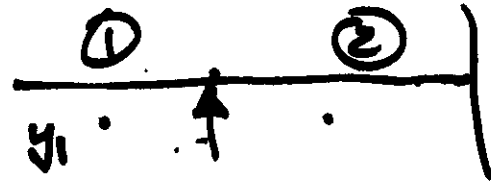
$$Z_{in} = \frac{f_+}{y_1|_{x=0}} = j\omega L_1 C_1 - j\omega L_2 C_2 \cot k_2 L$$

use either  
 $y_1$  or  $y_2$

to calculate either  $u_1$  or  $u_2$

in electrical terms  
- series connection  
(since the velocity  
is shared)

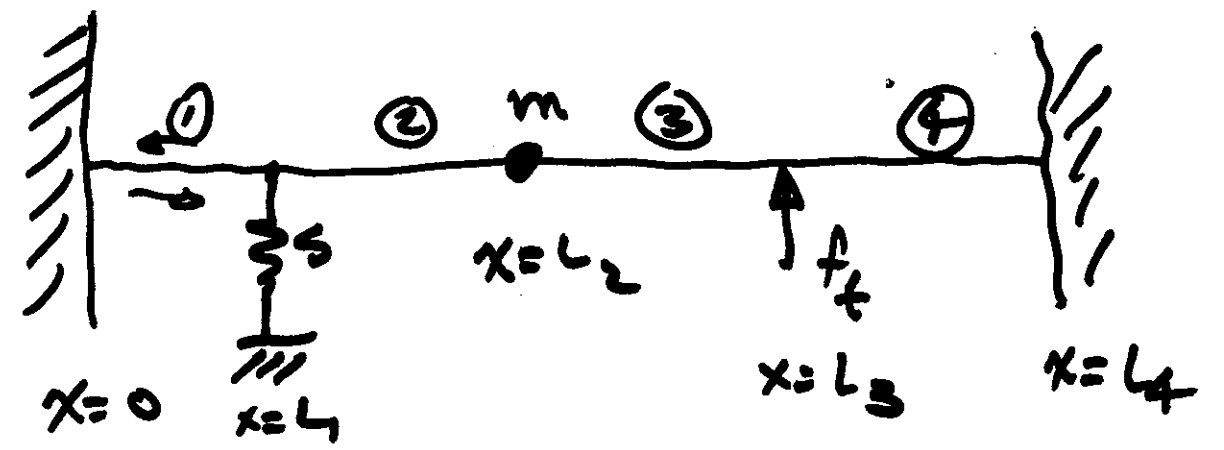
Notes:



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- (i) solution for  $y_1$  applies only in the region  $x \leq 0$
- (ii) solution for  $y_2$  applies only in the region  $0 \leq x \leq L$
- (iii) same approach even if the two segments have the same material properties
- (iv) same approach can be extended to any number of segments





$$f_t = F \cdot e^{j\omega t}$$

$$y_1(x,t) = A e^{i(\omega t - k_1 x)} + B e^{i(\omega t + k_1 x)} \quad k_1 = \omega/c_1, \quad c_1 = \sqrt{T/\rho_1}$$

$$0 \leq x \leq L_1$$

$$y_2(x,t) = C \text{ ~~~~~ } + D \text{ ~~~~~ } \quad k_2$$

$$y_3(x,t) = E \text{ ~~~~~ } + F \text{ ~~~~~ } \quad k_3$$

$$y_4(x,t) = G \text{ ~~~~~ } + H \text{ ~~~~~ } \quad k_4$$

8 unknowns

8 b.c.'s

### General Approach

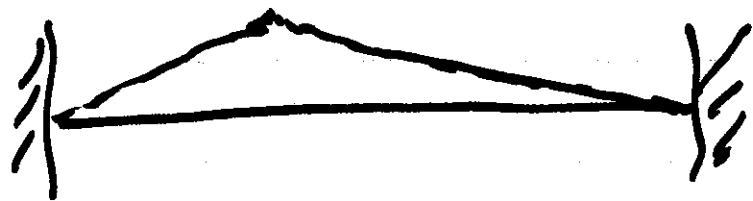
- write general solution for each segment (8 unknowns)
- write down the b.c.'s (8)
- substitute the solutions into the b.c.'s & solve

$$\begin{bmatrix} 8 \times 8 \\ \text{coefficient} \\ \text{matrix} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{forcing} \\ \text{vector} \end{matrix}$$

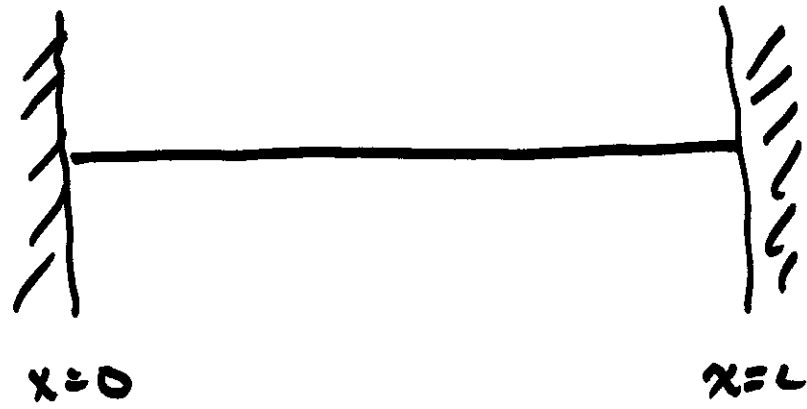
## 2.5 Normal Modes of Finite Strings

Free vibration

- when the string is "forced" into motion by initial conditions



## 2.5.1 Characteristic Equation



One segment

$$y(x,t) = A e^{i(\omega t - \underline{kx})} + B e^{i(\omega t + \underline{kx})}$$