

Answer on Question #51962, Physics, Other

Task: In the wave equation $y = a \sin(\omega t + kx)$, the quantity $(\omega t + kx)$ represents. the symbols have the usual meaning

Answer:

$$y(x; t) = a \sin(\omega t + kx) = a \sin(kx + 2\pi f t)$$

a = amplitude

$k = 2\pi/\lambda$ = wave number

λ = wavelength

f = frequency

$T = 1/f$ = period

$\omega = 2\pi f = 2\pi/T$ angular frequency

$(\omega t + kx)$ = "phase"

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