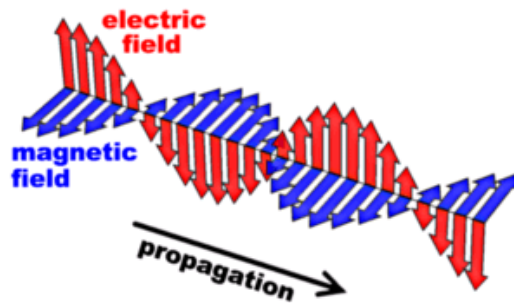


"Concert A" corresponds to a frequency of 440 Hz. Does that mean that a flute playing concert A is emitting low frequency (440 Hz) electromagnetic radiation which we detect?

- A) Yes
- B) No



$$c = \lambda / T = \lambda f$$

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Light carries energy!

**POWER** is  
energy/time  
(J/s, or "Watts")

**INTENSITY** is  
power/area (or  $\text{power/m}^2$ )  
OR  
energy per second per  $\text{m}^2$

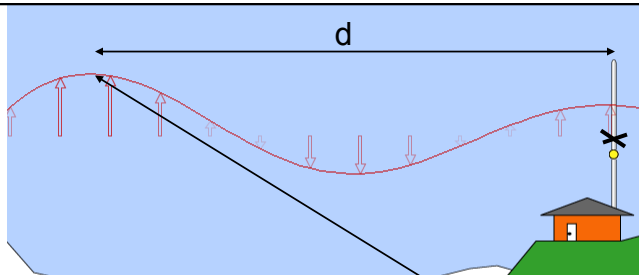
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**So:**  
Energy = power \* time

(Joules, or "kW\*hrs")

Energy = intensity \* time \* area

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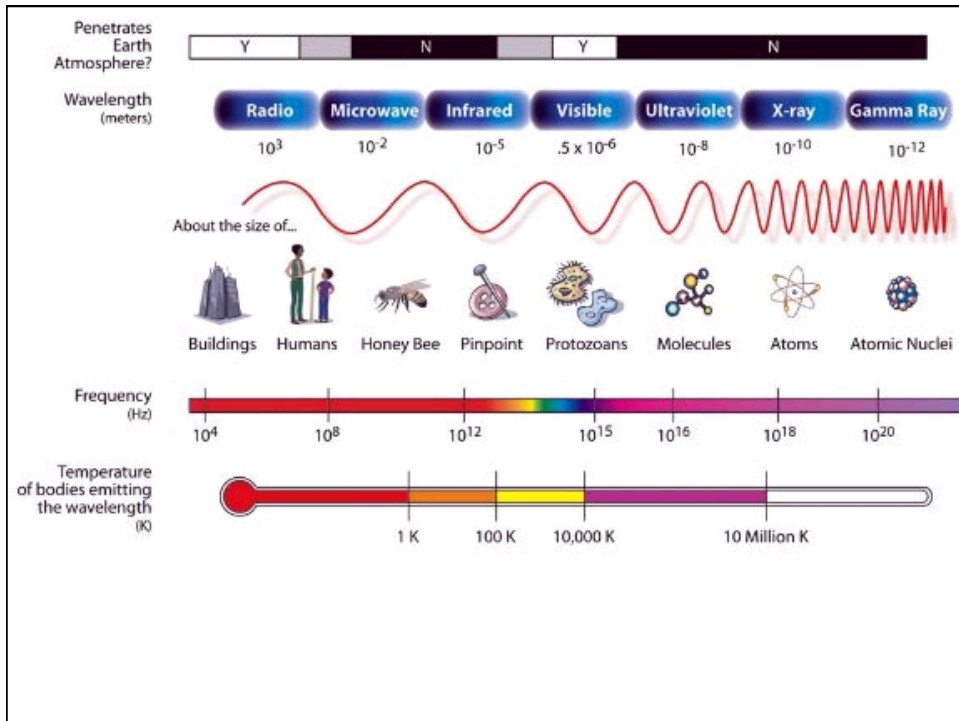
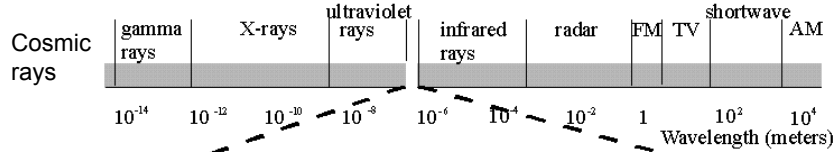
How much time will pass before this peak reaches antenna?

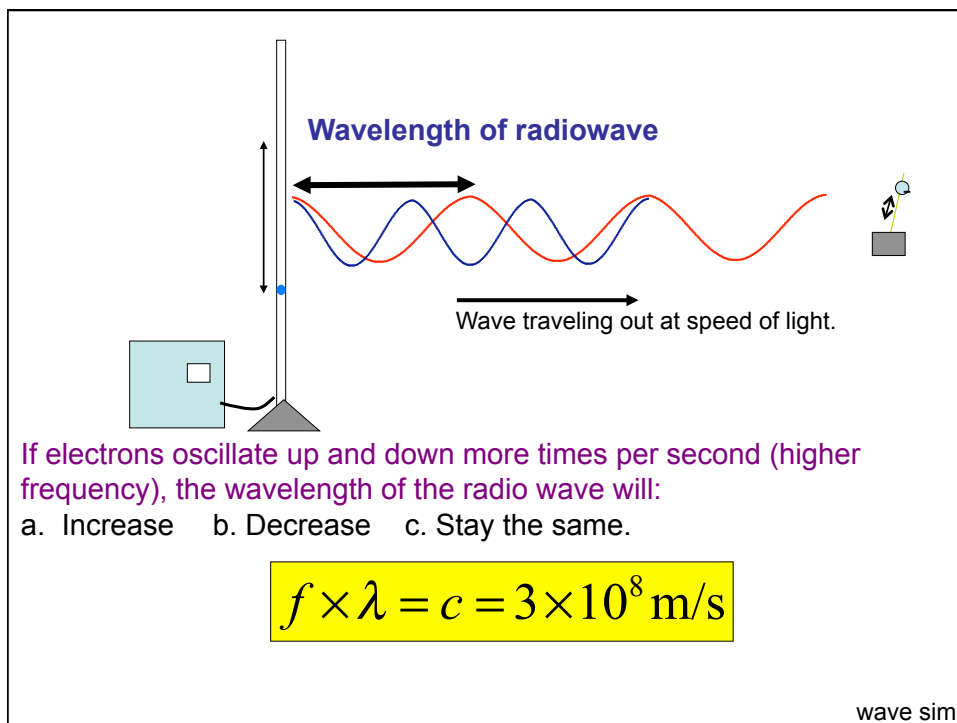
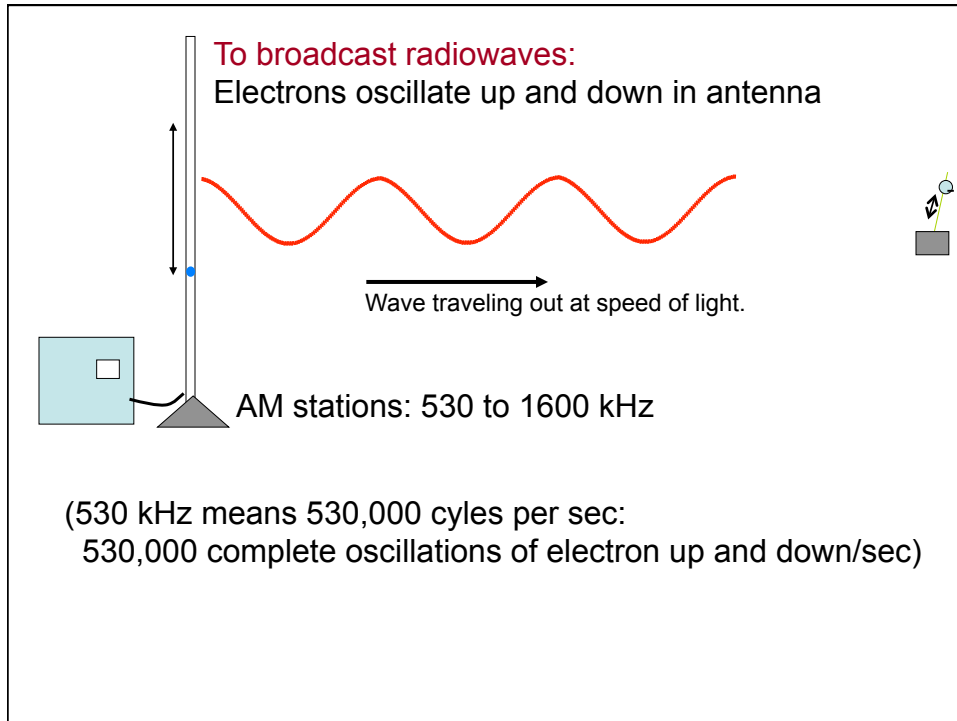
c= speed of light

- a.  $cd$       b.  $c/d$       c.  $d/c$   
d.  $\sin(cd)$       e. none of the above

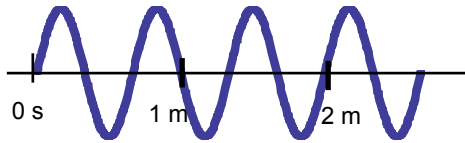
# Electromagnetic Spectrum

Spectrum: All EM waves. Complete range of wavelengths.



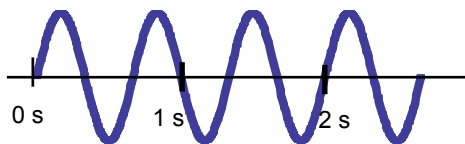


The graph shows  $E$  as a function of *position* (at a fixed moment in time, it's a "snapshot"). What is the *wavelength* of this wave?



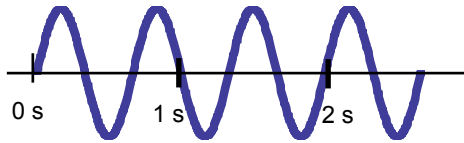
- A) 0.33 m    B) .67 m  
D) 1.0 m    D) 1.5 m  
E) None of these/not enough information!

The graph shows  $E$  as a function of time. What is the *period* of this wave?



- A) 0.33 sec    B) .67 sec  
D) 1.0 sec    D) 1.5 sec  
E) None of these/not enough information!

The graph shows E as a function of time.  
What is the *frequency* of this wave?



- A) 0.33 Hz    B) .67 Hz
- D) 1.0 Hz    D) 1.5 Hz
- E) None of these/not enough information!

NASA's Cassini probe orbits Saturn, and radios earth at a frequency of 8 GHz ( $8 \times 10^9$  Hz). If Cassini doubles the frequency to 16 GHz, the time required for the radio signal to travel from Cassini to Earth will

- A) Increase
- B) Decrease
- C) Remain constant
- D) Not enough info



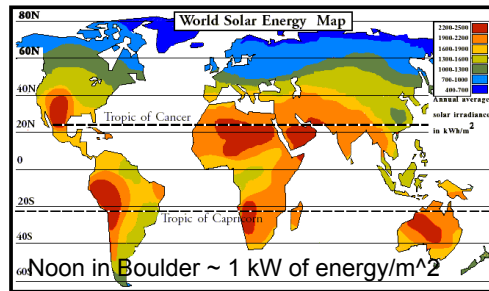
A radio wave of wavelength 2 meters passes by a person with a radio receiver. E and B go up and down as the wave travels past. After 1 second, the number of waves that moved past the person is:

- A) 1 wave
- B)  $3 \times 10^8$  waves
- C)  $1.5 \times 10^8$  waves
- D)  $6 \times 10^8$  waves
- E) None of these!

A radio wave of  $\lambda = 20$  m passes by a person with a radio receiver. Later, a new radio wave passes the person. She observes that E and B oscillate 10x faster than the original wave. What is the best conclusion?

- A) Second wave has  $\lambda = 0.2$  m
- B) Second wave has  $\lambda = 20$  m
- C) Second wave travels 10x faster
- D) Second wave has 1/10 the frequency
- E) None of these!





My roof panels generated 3.5 MW hrs last year  
(so, they were roughly 10% efficient)

How many solar collectors would you need  
to replace a 4 kW hot water heater?

Useful facts:

Solar thermal panels are ~ 50% efficient.

Typical solar panels are ~1m x 2m

Sunshine in Boulder delivers ~ 1 kW/m<sup>2</sup>

- A) 1 panel B) 2 panels C) 4 panels  
D) 8 panels E) This will never work