

Corrections to  
**Waves Notes**

(Draft of an eventual book)

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The corrections below are listed by page number (“chapter.page”). They are grouped into three categories: (1) Important errors that will cause confusion, (2) minor errors that might cause confusion, and (3) trivial errors that should not cause confusion.

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**Important errors:**

(None yet)

**Minor errors:**

- 1.3: Eq. (6): The left-hand side should have an integral sign.
- 1.6: Eq. (21): The second  $(dx_1/dt)^2$  should be  $(dx_2/dt)^2$ .
- 1.10: Line after Eq. (35): “ $x(0) = x_0$  and  $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{0}) = v_0$ ”
- 1.15: Eq. (55): The denominator of the last term should contain  $\omega_0$ , not  $\omega_0^2$ .
- 1.23: Fig. 20: The vertical-axis units should be  $F_d/k$  (equivalently  $F/\omega_0^2$ ), not  $F_d/m$ .
- 1.25: Eq. (99): The RHS of the first equation should just be  $F e^{i\omega t}$  (delete the  $C$ ).
- 2.6: 4th line after Eq. (20): “the velocities  $\dot{x}_1(0) = \dot{x}_2(0) = 0$ ” (subscript 2)
- 2.8: 6th line after Eq. (32): “in the  $\omega = \omega_f$  case”
- 2.9: Eq. (37): The  $\omega_0$  in the second solution should be  $\omega_0^2$ .
- 3.9: 3rd line before Eq. (35): The  $e^{-z}$  should be  $e^{iz}$ .
- 3.11: Eq. (41): The first integral should have an  $i$  in the exponent.
- 3.20: 6th line of 2nd paragraph: “now  $2\pi/k_{\min} = 4\pi$ ”
- 4.3: Sentence before Eq. (7): “From Eqs. (2.91) and (2.92) a couple”
- 7.2: 3rd line after Eq. (1): “ $S\Delta x\Delta y(\partial^2 z/\partial \mathbf{y}^2)$ ” (partial with respect to  $y$ )
- 7.3: Eq. (7): The last equation should be  $k_y = \mathbf{m}\pi/L_y$ .
- 7.8: Eq. (14): The middle product should contain an  $f$ .
- 8.12: 3rd line of last paragraph: “and  $\mathbf{B}$  is the superposition”
- 8.18: Eq. (65): A factor of  $\omega$  should appear in front of every  $B$  term.

10.6: Eq. (13): “ $Be^{-\kappa x}$ ” (the  $a$  should be  $e$ )

10.7: 3rd line of paragraph before Section 10.3.2: another “ $Be^{-\kappa x}$ ”

### Trivial errors:

1.1: 2nd line of 2nd paragraph: “**motion** governed by”

1.2: 3rd line of footnote: “**the** frequency”

1.3: 2nd line on page: “**Equations** have only two sides”

1.4: 1st line after Eq. (12): “a **sine** and a cosine”

1.5: 1st line of “PHASE” bullet point: “what the position is **at**  $t = 0$ ”

3.14: Line after Eq. (50): “**if**  $n$  is odd”

3.17: First line of Section 3.4: “**There** are a number”

3.31: 4th line on page: “To demonstrate the 9% [delete **the**] result”

6.5: Last two sentences on page: The question mark and period should be swapped.

6.14: 1st line of paragraph in middle of page: “**As**  $t$  increases”

7.9: The first sub-heading: “**Doppler** Radar”

8.1: 10th line of 2nd paragraph: “Poynting **vector**”

8.5: 1st line on page: “to get **rid** of”

8.12: 2nd line of last paragraph: “which makes **sense**”

8.25: 3rd line of footnote: The word “pick” is repeated.