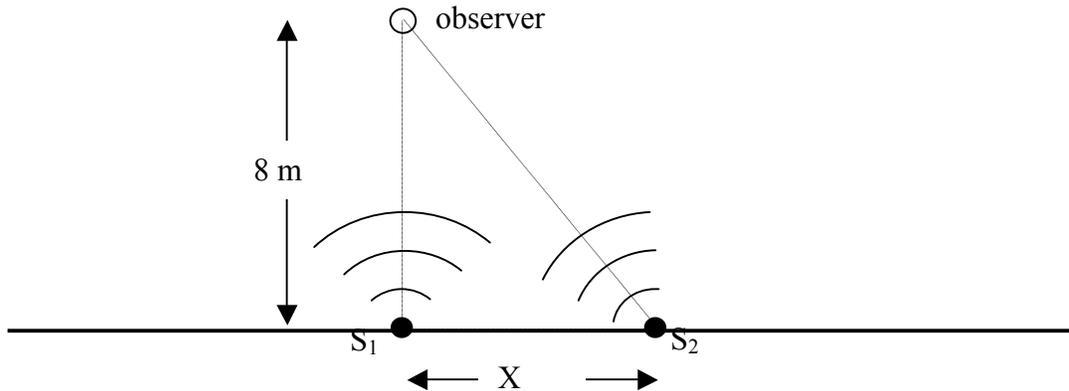


The observer wants to adjust two speakers so to maximize the intensity heard. The speakers are coherent and in phase. Separately the intensity of each speaker is 2 W/m^2 . Assume that the speed of sound is 340 m/s .



- a) [3 points] What is the maximum possible intensity the observer can hear?
 - [3 points] 8 W/m^2

- b) [7 points] Both speakers are on and broadcasting at a frequency of 20 Hz . Speaker 1 is fixed but speaker 2 can be moved anywhere along the solid line. Write an equation for the distances X where speaker 2 can be placed so the observer hears maximum intensity. Note, there may be multiple such distances.
 - [2 points] calculate $\lambda = 17 \text{ m}$
 - [5 points] $(X^2 + h^2)^{1/2} - h = n \lambda$ where $n = \text{integer}$ and $h = 8 \text{ m}$
Give full points for writing the equation that needs to be solved for X .

- c) [5 points] Suppose the observer wants to set $X = 6 \text{ m}$ but is willing to adjust the relative phase between speakers 1 and 2. What relative phase does the observer need to choose to hear maximum intensity?
 - [5 points] $\phi = -0.74$ (the sign is somewhat ambiguous here given the wording of the problem, so don't take off marks for that)

- d) [5 points] The observer discovered that the relative phase Φ in part (c) was accidentally set to $-\Phi$. What intensity does the observer hear?
 - [3 points] The phase is not cancelled but added too. So
 $\phi_{\text{wrong}} = 2(-.74)$
 - [2 points] $I = 4 \cos(\phi_{\text{wrong}}/2)^2 * (2 \text{ W/m}^2) = 4.4 \text{ W/m}^2$