

12 Dynamics

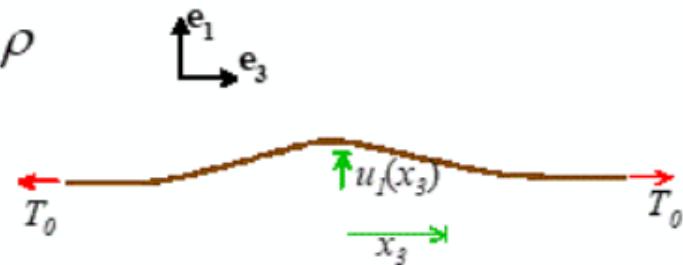
Goal: Understand wave propagation, vibrations
 - focus only on elastic solids

12.1 Travelling waves on infinite stretched string

Example: An infinite string with x-sect area A and mass density ρ
 is stretched by tension T_0

At time $t=0$ it is at rest, and has transverse deflection $w_0(x_3)$

Find the subsequent motion



Recall displacement $u_1(x_3, t)$

Internal forces



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Governing Equations

$$\frac{\partial T_3}{\partial x_3} + f_3 = \rho A \frac{\partial^2 U_3}{\partial t^2} \quad (1)$$

$$= 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_3} \left\{ T_3 \frac{\partial U_1}{\partial x_3} \right\} + f_1 = \rho A \frac{\partial^2 U_1}{\partial t^2}$$

$$T_1 = T_3 \frac{\partial U_1}{\partial x_3}$$

$$(1) \Rightarrow \frac{\partial T_3}{\partial x_3} = 0 \Rightarrow T_3 = \text{const} \quad BCs \Rightarrow \text{constant} = T_0$$

$$\text{Now } (2) \Rightarrow T_0 \frac{\partial^2 U_1}{\partial x_3^2} = \rho A \frac{\partial^2 U_1}{\partial t^2}$$

Hence

$$\frac{\partial^2 U_1}{\partial x_3^2} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 U_1}{\partial t^2} \quad c = \sqrt{\frac{T_0}{\rho A}} \quad (\text{Wave speed})$$

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1-D wave equation

Now solve wave equation with given initial condition

Guess & check : Try $U_1 = f(x_3 - ct) + g(x_3 + ct)$

[Notation : for $f(\lambda)$ Let $\frac{df}{d\lambda} = f'(\lambda)$ $\frac{d^2f}{d\lambda^2} = f''(\lambda)$]

Subst in wave eq : $f'' + g'' = \frac{1}{c^2} \{ c^2 f'' + c^2 g'' \}$ ✓
eom satisfied

We find f, g from initial conditions

$$U_1(x_3, 0) = f(x_3) + g(x_3) = W_0(x_3) \quad (3)$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial U_1}{\partial t} \right|_{t=0} = -c f'(x_3) + c g'(x_3) = 0$$

$$\text{Integrate } -f' + g = A \quad (\text{const of integration}) \quad (4)$$

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Solve (3), (4) for f, g

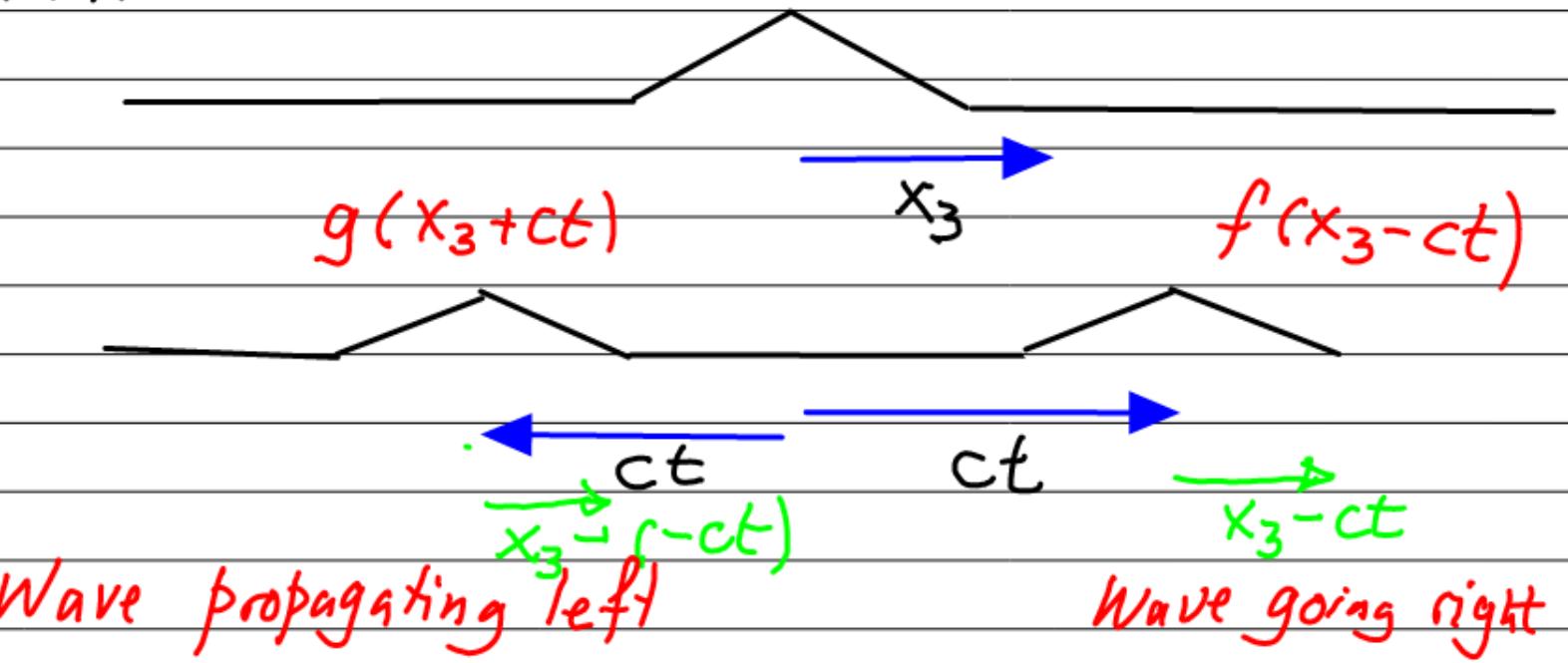
$$g(x_3) = \frac{1}{2}(W_0(x_3) + A)$$

$$f(x_3) = \frac{1}{2}(W_0(x_3) - A)$$

Solution $u_1(x_3, t) = \frac{1}{2}W_0(x_3 - ct) + \frac{1}{2}W_0(x_3 + ct)$

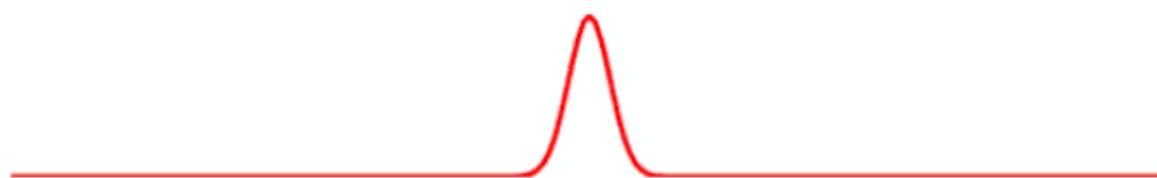
Visualize solution

$$t=0$$



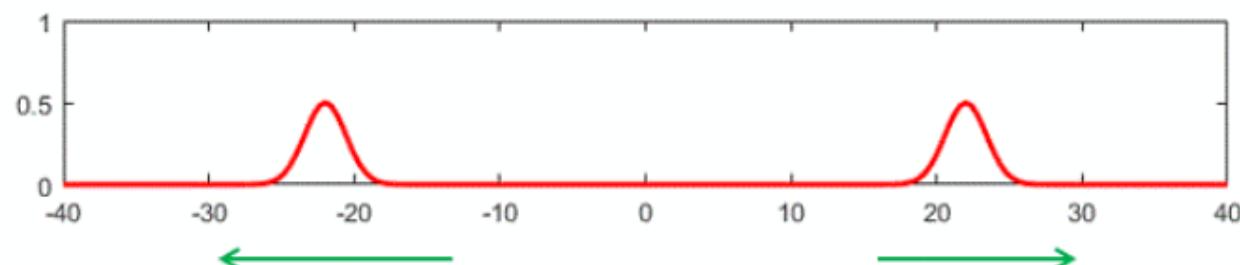
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Solution to wave equation



Initial condition

$$w_0 = \exp(-x_3^2 / 4)$$



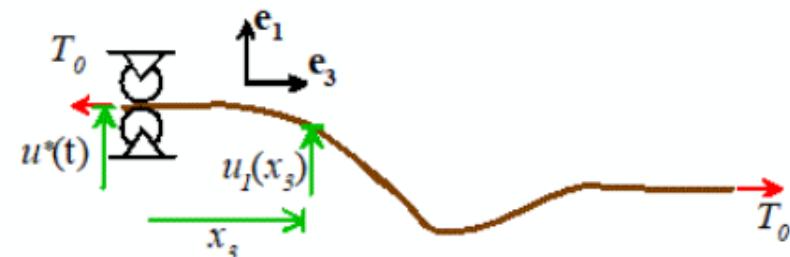
$$g(t, x_3) = \frac{1}{2} \exp(-(x_3 + ct)^2 / 4) \quad f(t, x_3) = \frac{1}{2} \exp(-(x_3 - ct)^2 / 4)$$

Travelling waves, propagate at speed c

Example: An semi-infinite string with x -sect area A and mass density ρ is stretched by tension T_0 . At time $t=0$ it is at rest, with zero transverse deflection

The end at $x_3 = 0$ has prescribed displacement $u^*(t)$

Find the subsequent motion



$$\text{eg } u^*(t) = A \sin \omega t$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Same EOM (wave eq)} & \quad \text{Same so' } u_1 = f(x_3 - ct) \\ & \quad + g(x_3 + ct) \end{aligned}$$

Find $f(\lambda)$, $g(\lambda)$ using initial condition & boundary condition

$$\text{Initial Condition } u_1 = f(x_3) + g(x_3) = 0 \quad x_3 > 0$$

$$\frac{du_1}{dt} = -cf'(x_3) + cg'(x_3) = 0 \quad x_3 > 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Solve } f(x_3) &= A \quad x_3 > 0 \\ g(x_3) &= -A \quad x_3 > 0 \quad -g \text{ is known} \end{aligned}$$

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We also need $f'(\lambda)$ for $\lambda \leq 0$

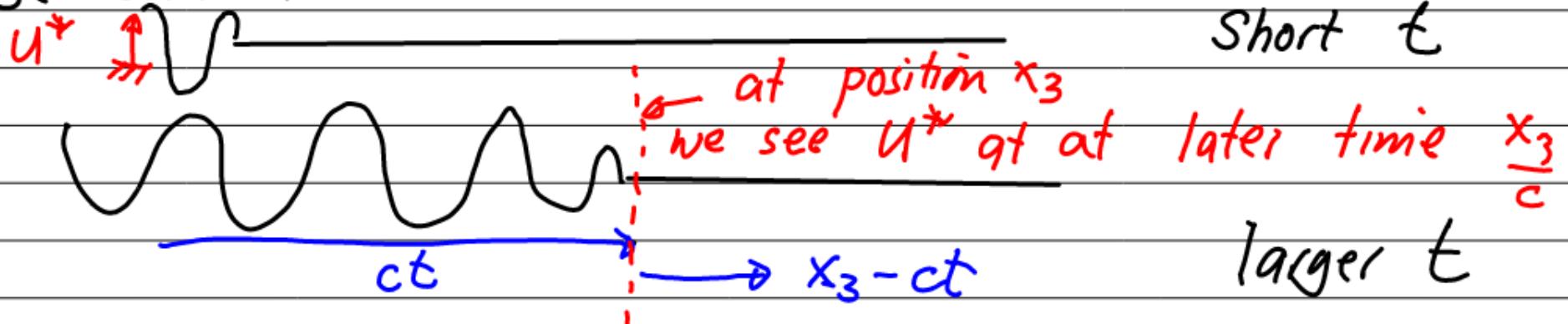
Use BC: $U_1(0, t) = f(-ct) + g(ct) = U^*(t) \quad t \geq 0$

Hence $f'(\lambda) = U^*(-t/c) + A \quad \lambda \leq 0$

Finally

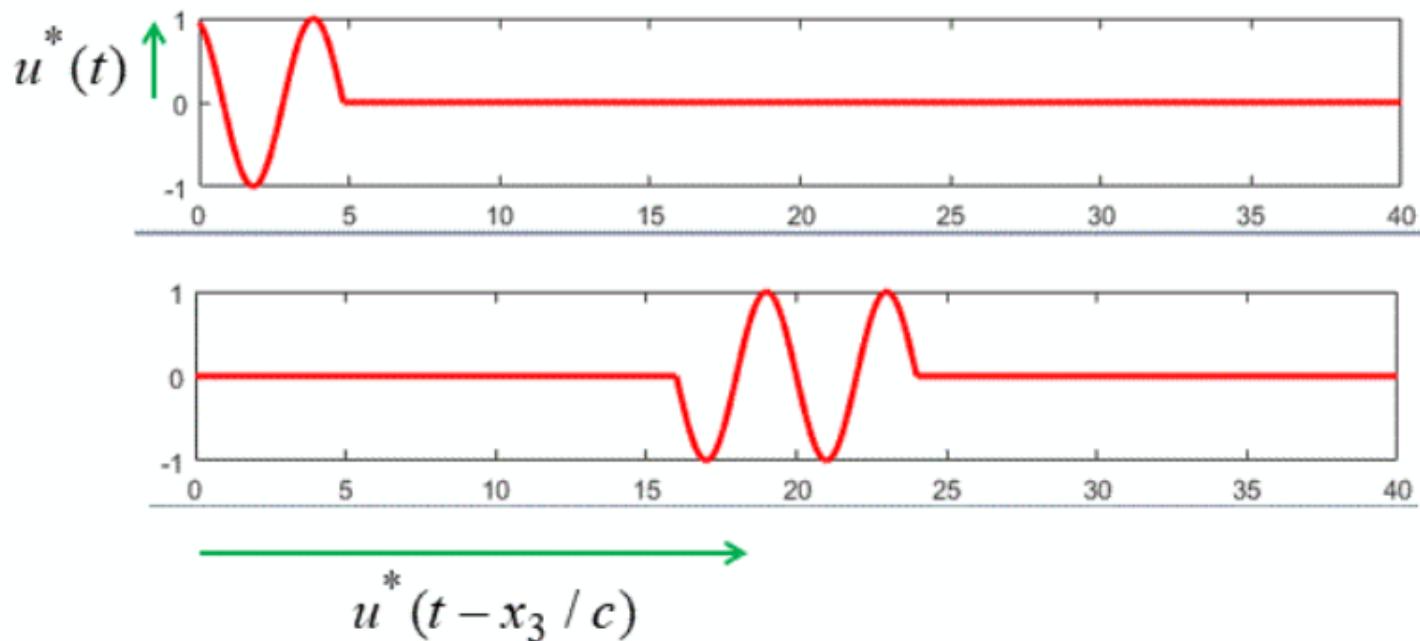
$$U_1(x_3, t) = f(x_3 - ct) + g(x_3 + ct) = \begin{cases} 0 & x_3 - ct > 0 \\ U^*\left(t - \frac{x_3}{c}\right) & x_3 - ct \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

Visualize solution



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Semi-infinite string forced at one end



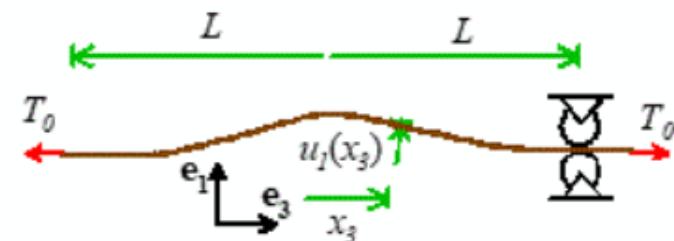
Wave arrives at x_3 a time x_3/c later

Example: A string with length $2L$ x-sect area A and mass density is stretched by tension T_0

At time $t=0$ it is at rest, and has transverse deflection $w_0(x_3)$

It is fixed at $x_3 = L$ and free at $x_3 = -L$

Find the subsequent motion



Same eom, same solution $u_1(x_3, t) = f'(x_3 - ct) + g(x_3 + ct)$
Find f, g using initial condition & BCs

$$BCs : \quad u_1(L, t) = 0 \quad t \geq 0$$

$$T_1 = T_0 \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x_3} \Big|_{x_3=-L} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x_3} \Big|_{x_3=-L} \quad t \geq 0$$

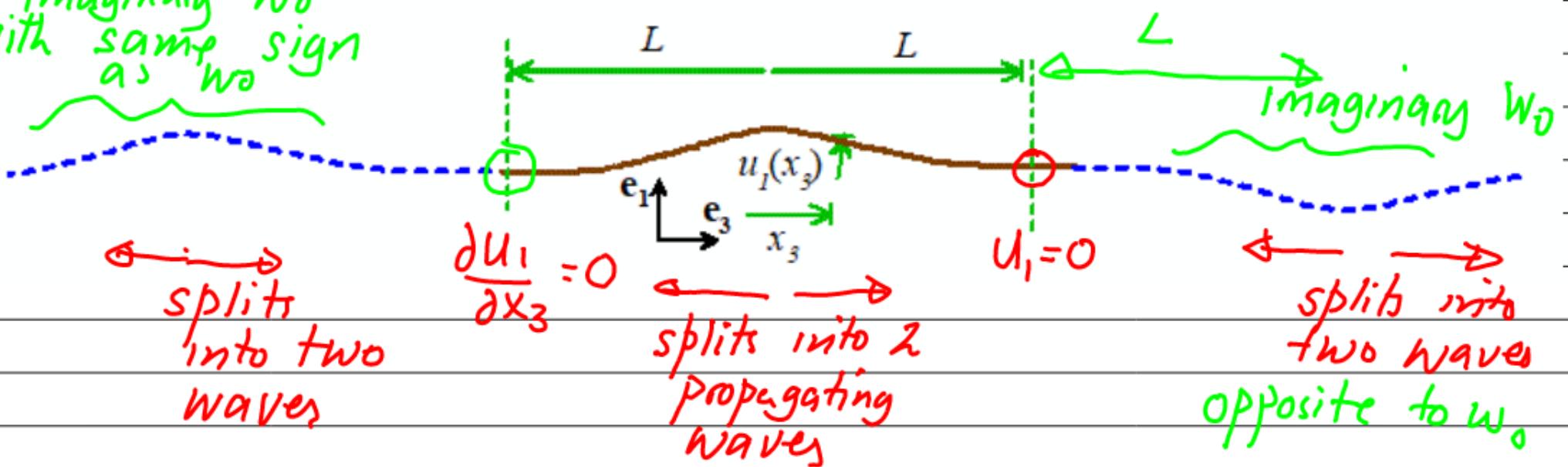
Solve by superposition:

(1) Extend string to $-\infty < x_3 < \infty$

(2) Find initial conditions on $|x_3| > L$ to satisfy BCs

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Imaginary W_0
with same sign
as W_0



$$u_1(x_3, t) = \frac{1}{2} W_0 (x_3 - ct) + \frac{1}{2} W_0 (x_3 + ct)$$

1st reflection

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{2} W_0 (x_3 - 2L + ct) + \frac{1}{2} W_0 (x_3 + 2L - ct)$$

2nd reflection

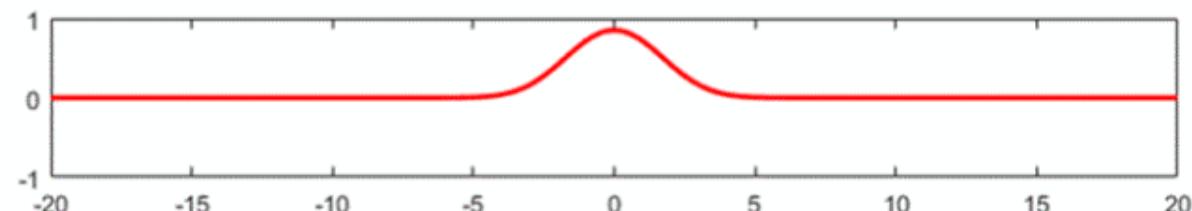
$$\rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} W_0 (x_3 + 4L - ct) - \frac{1}{2} W_0 (x_3 - 4L + ct)$$

3rd reflection

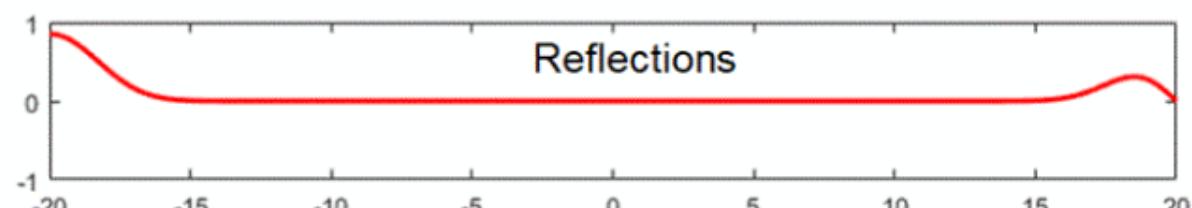
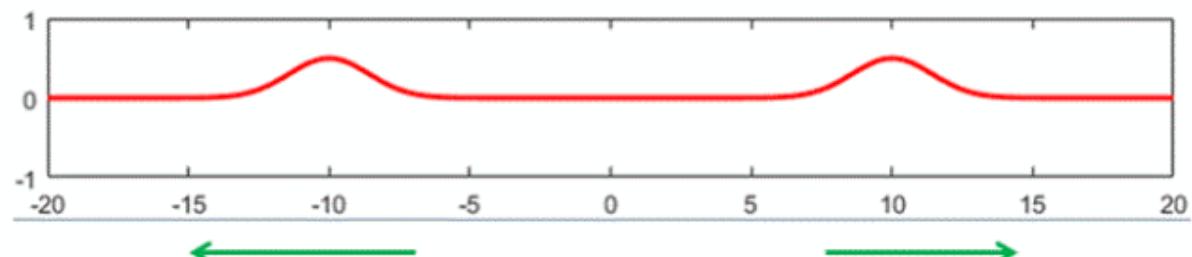
$$\rightarrow +\frac{1}{2} W_0 (x_3 - 6L + ct) - \frac{1}{2} W_0 (x_3 + 6L - ct)$$

Continues

Reflections at free and fixed ends



Initial condition $u(0, x_3) = \exp(-x_3^2 / 4)$



At a fixed end:

- Positive displacement reflects as negative displacement
- Positive transverse force reflects as positive transverse force

At a free end:

- Positive displacement reflects as positive displacement
- Positive transverse force reflects as negative transverse force