

41. (a) The amplitude of each of the traveling waves is half the maximum displacement of the string when the standing wave is present, or 0.25 cm.
- (b) Each traveling wave has an angular frequency of $\omega = 40\pi \text{ rad/s}$ and an angular wave number of $k = \pi/3 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. The wave speed is $v = \omega/k = (40\pi \text{ rad/s})/(\pi/3 \text{ cm}^{-1}) = 120 \text{ cm/s}$.
- (c) The distance between nodes is half a wavelength: $d = \lambda/2 = \pi/k = \pi/(\pi/3 \text{ cm}^{-1}) = 3.0 \text{ cm}$. Here $2\pi/k$ was substituted for λ .
- (d) The string speed is given by $u(x, t) = \partial y/\partial t = -\omega y_m \sin(kx) \sin(\omega t)$. For the given coordinate and time,

$$u = -(40\pi \text{ rad/s})(0.50 \text{ cm}) \sin \left[\left(\frac{\pi}{3} \text{ cm}^{-1} \right) (1.5 \text{ cm}) \right] \sin \left[(40\pi \text{ s}^{-1}) \left(\frac{9}{8} \text{ s} \right) \right] = 0 .$$