

# Reference Section

• At room temperature (23° celsius), the velocity of sound is: **344 m/sec = 1,128 ft/sec = 769 miles/hr**

• *Quarter-comma Meantone temperament:*

C      D- $\frac{1}{2}\delta$       E- $\delta$       F+ $\frac{1}{4}\delta$       G- $\frac{1}{4}\delta$       A- $\frac{3}{4}\delta$       B- $\frac{5}{4}\delta$       C

$v = f\lambda$       •  $f = 1/T$       •  $f = v/2L$       •  $f = v/4L$       • end correction = 0.61r      •  $v = 331.3 + 0.6t$  m/sec

$f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{g/l}$        $f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{k/m}$        $f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{3k/m}$        $\lambda_n = \frac{4L}{n}$  ( $n = 1,3,5 \dots$ )

$f = \frac{v}{2\pi} \sqrt{a/Vl}$        $f_n = n \frac{v}{2L} = nf_1$  ( $n = 1,2,3 \dots$ )       $f_n = \frac{n}{2L} \sqrt{T/\mu}$        $v = \sqrt{T/\mu}$

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•  $\text{dB} = 10 \log_{10} (I_1/I_2)$        $\text{dB} = 20 \log_{10} (p_1/p_2)$        $\text{ref} \triangleq 2 * 10^{-5} \text{ N/m}^2$        $\text{ref} \triangleq 10^{-12} \text{ W}$

$\phi = 1200 \log_2 (f_1/f_2)$       or  $\phi = 1200 \log_{10} (R) / \log_{10} (2)$        $\text{dB} = 10 \log_{10} (\text{ratio})$

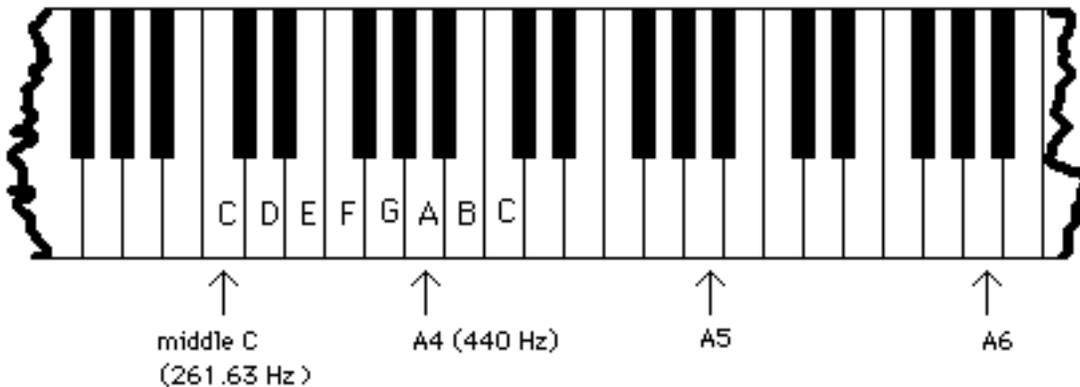
If the source of a sound is in motion relative to the observer of the sound, the apparent frequency  $f$  from the point of view of the observer will be:  **$f = f_s * v / (v \pm v_s)$**

where  $f_s$  and  $v_s$  are the frequency and velocity of the source, respectively.

( $v - v_s$  moving *toward*,  $v + v_s$  moving *away* from observer)

If the observer of a sound is in motion relative to the source, the apparent frequency  $f$  from the point of view of the observer will be:  **$f = f_s * (v \pm v_o) / v$**  ( $v + v_o$  moving *toward*,  $v - v_o$  moving *away* from source)

Sound intensity in a free field is 11 dB down at 1 meter from the source, dropping by 6 dB per doubling of distance. In a hemispheric field, it drops 8 dB at 1 meter and then 6 dB per doubling of distance.



(The piano goes down to A0, which is four octaves below A4)