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- (a) A = (7.00 + 3.00) 4.00 yields A = 40.0
- (b) In order for two vectors to be equal, they must have the same magnitude and the same direction in three-dimensional space. All of their components must be equal. Thus, $7 \cdot 0 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{j}} + 0 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{j}} + 3 \cdot 0 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{k}} = A \cdot \hat{\mathbf{i}} + B \cdot \hat{\mathbf{j}} + C \cdot \hat{\mathbf{k}}$ requires $\boxed{A = 7 \cdot 00, B = 0, \text{ and } C = 3 \cdot 00}.$
- (c) In order for two functions to be identically equal, they must be equal for every value of every variable. They must have the same graphs. In

$$A + B\cos(Cx + Dt + E) = 0 + 7.00 \text{ m m} \cos(3.00x + 4.00t + 2.00)$$
,

the equality of average values requires that A = 0. The equality of maximum values requires B = 7.00 mm. The equality for the wavelength or periodicity as a function of *x* requires C = 3.00 rad/m. The equality of period requires D = 4.00 rad/s, and the equality of zero-crossings requires E = 2.00 rad.

2 The linear wave equation is
$$\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2}$$
If $y = e^{b(x-vt)}$
then $\frac{\partial y}{\partial t} = -bve^{b(x-vt)}$ and $\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = be^{b(x-vt)}$
 $\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = b^2 v^2 e^{b(x-vt)}$ and $\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = b^2 e^{b(x-vt)}$
Therefore, $\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = v^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2}$, demonstrating that

 $e^{b(x-vt)}$ is a solution

3 The linear wave equation is $\frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2}$

To show that $y = \ln[b(x-vt)]$ is a solution, we find its first and second derivatives with respect to x and t and substitute into the equation.

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{b(x - vt)}(-bv) \qquad \qquad \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = \frac{-1(-bv)^2}{b^2(x - vt)^2} = -\frac{v^2}{(x - vt)^2}$$
$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \left[b(x - vt)\right]^{-1}b \qquad \qquad \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = -\frac{b}{b}(x - vt)^2 = -\frac{1}{(x - vt)^2}$$

Then
$$\frac{1}{v^2}\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = \frac{1}{v^2}\frac{(-v^2)}{(x-vt)^2} = -\frac{1}{(x-vt)^2} = \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2}$$
 so the given wave function is a

solution.

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(a) From
$$y = x^2 + v^2 t^2$$
,
evaluate $\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = 2x$ $\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = 2$
 $\frac{\partial y}{\partial t} = v^2 2t$ $\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = 2v^2$
Does $\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2}$?
By substitution: $2 = \frac{1}{v^2} 2v^2$ and this is true, so the wave function does satisfy
the wave equation.

(b) Note
$$\frac{1}{2}(x+vt)^2 + \frac{1}{2}(x-vt)^2 = \frac{1}{2}x^2 + xvt + \frac{1}{2}v^2t^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^2 - xvt + \frac{1}{2}v^2t^2$$

= $x^2 + v^2t^2$ as required.

So
$$f(x+vt) = \frac{1}{2}(x+vt)^2$$
 and $g(x-vt) = \frac{1}{2}(x-vt)^2$.

(c)
$$y = \sin x \cos v t$$
 makes

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \cos x \cos v t \qquad \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = -\sin x \cos v t$$
$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial t} = -v \sin x \sin v t \qquad \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = -v^2 \sin x \cos v t$$
Then
$$\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2}$$

becomes $-\sin x \cos vt = \frac{-1}{v^2}v^2 \sin x \cos vt$ which is true as required. Note $\sin(x+vt) = \sin x \cos vt + \cos x \sin vt$

$$\sin(x - vt) = \sin x \cos vt - \cos x \sin vt.$$

So $\sin x \cos vt = f(x+vt) + g(x-vt)$ with

$$f(x+vt) = \frac{1}{2}\sin(x+vt) \qquad \text{and} \qquad g(x-vt) = \frac{1}{2}\sin(x-vt) \ .$$

5 Compare the given wave function $y = 4.00 \sin(2.00x - 3.00t)$ cm to the general form $y = A \sin(kx - \omega t)$ to find

(a) amplitude
$$A = 4.00 \text{ cm} = 0.0400 \text{ m}$$

(b)
$$k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} = 2.00 \text{ cm}^{-1} \text{ and } \lambda = \pi \text{ cm} = 0.0314 \text{ m}$$

(c)
$$\omega = 2\pi f = 3.00 \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ and } f = 0.477 \text{ Hz}$$

(d)
$$T = \frac{1}{f} = 2.09 \text{ s}$$

(e) The minus sign indicates that the wave is traveling in the positive x-direction.