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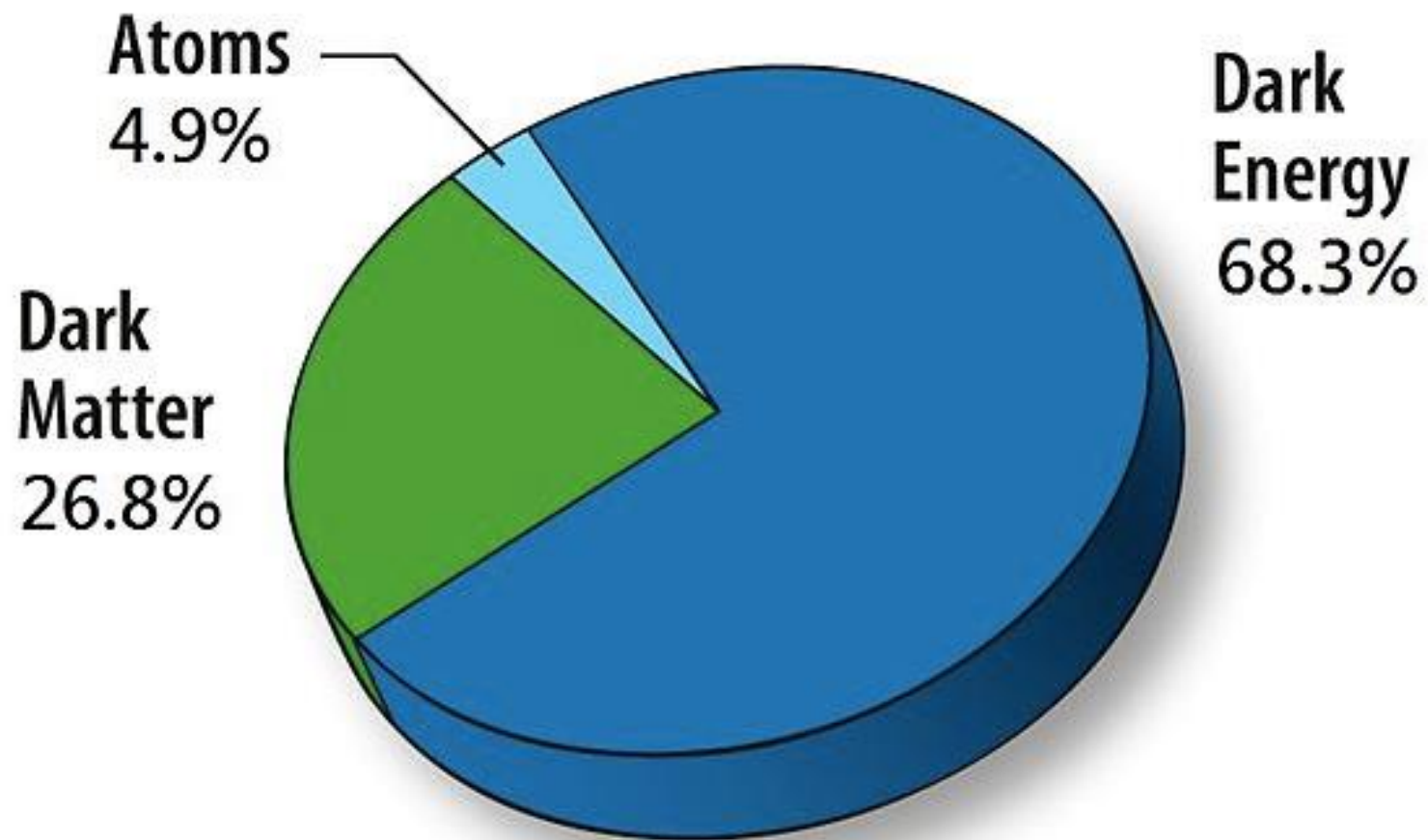
# Inferring the Temperature of Bubble Chambers

## By Measuring the Speed of Sound

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# Dark Matter



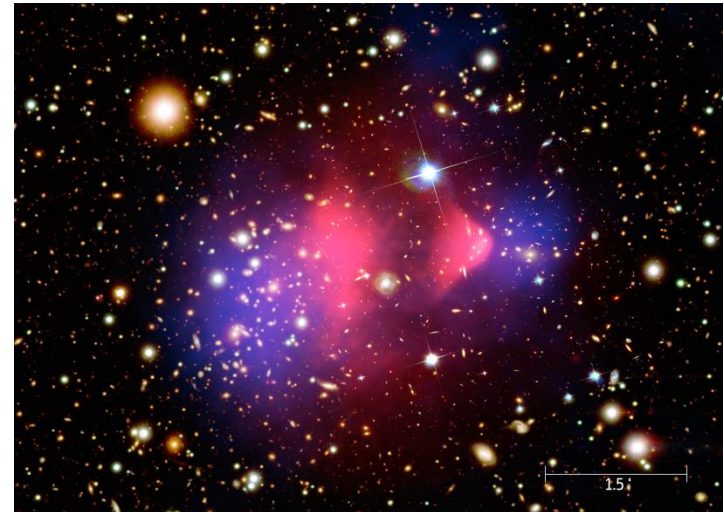
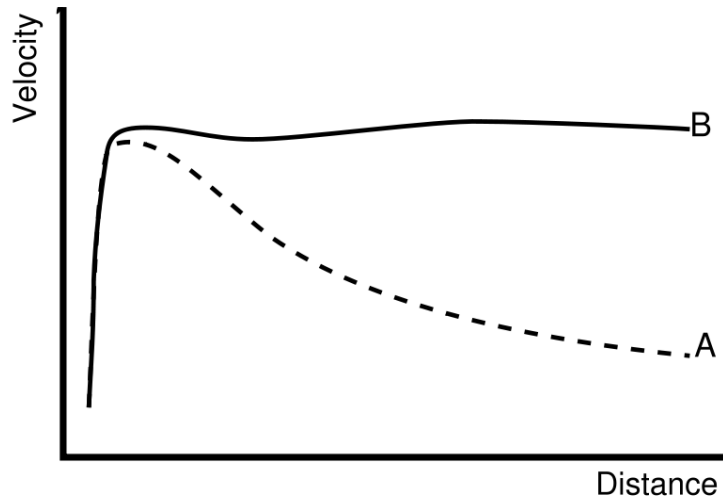
# Dark Matter

“nonluminous material that is postulated to exist in space”

- Galaxy Rotation Curves
- Gravitational Lensing (“Bullet Cluster”)
- Cosmic Microwave Background



***Missing Mass***



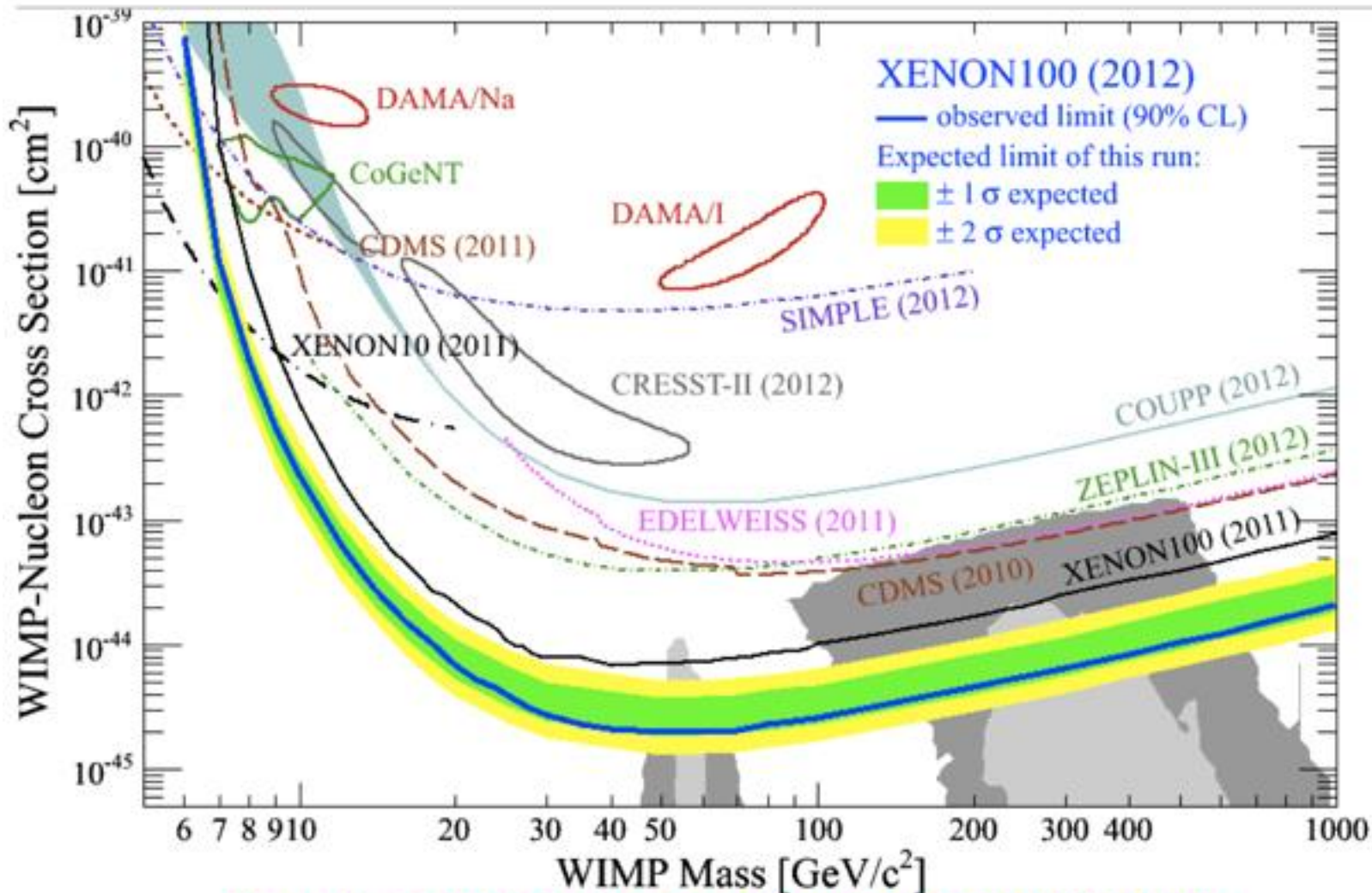
# Dark Matter Detection

- WIMPs
  - “Weakly interacting massive particles”
- Indirect Detection



- Direct Detection





# Bubble Chambers

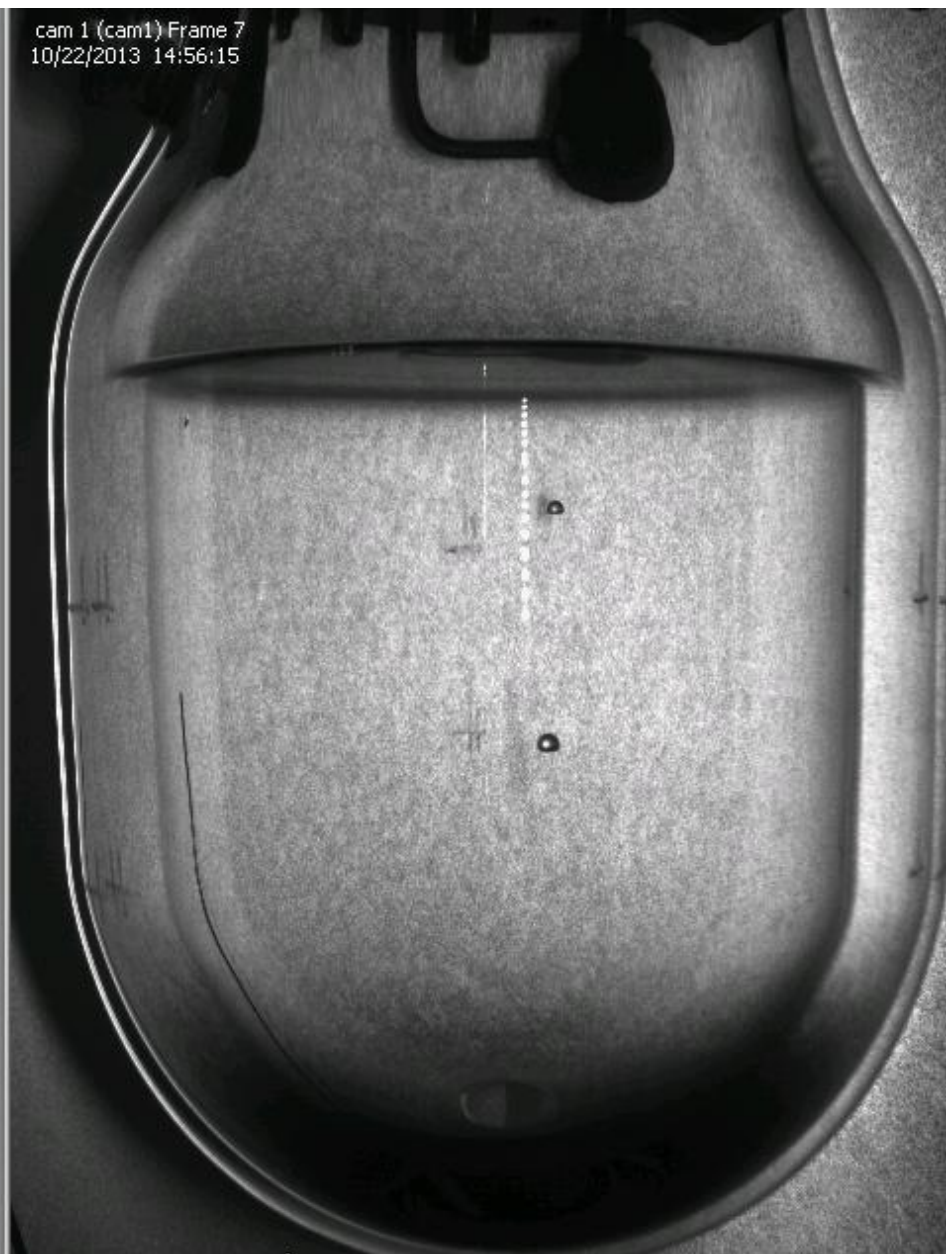


- Super Heated Fluid
- Particle Interaction → Nuclear Recoil
- Dark Matter Detection?

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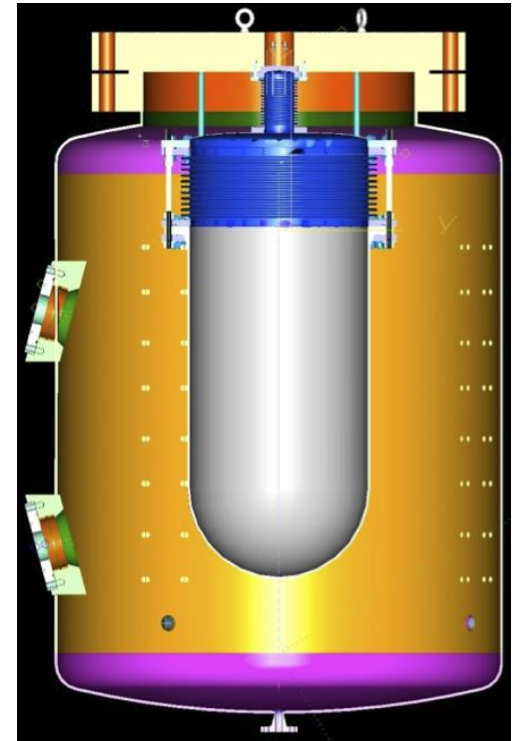




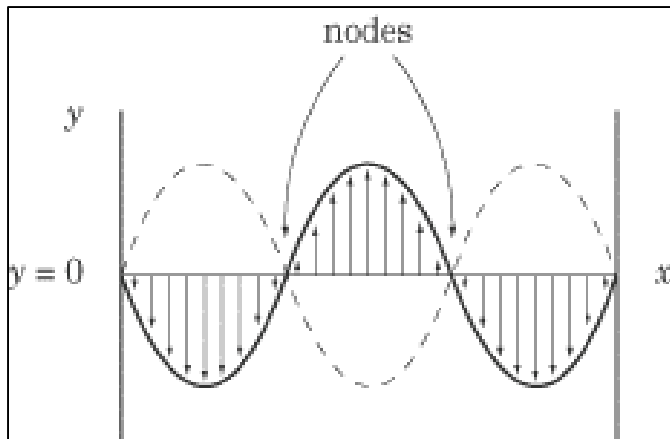
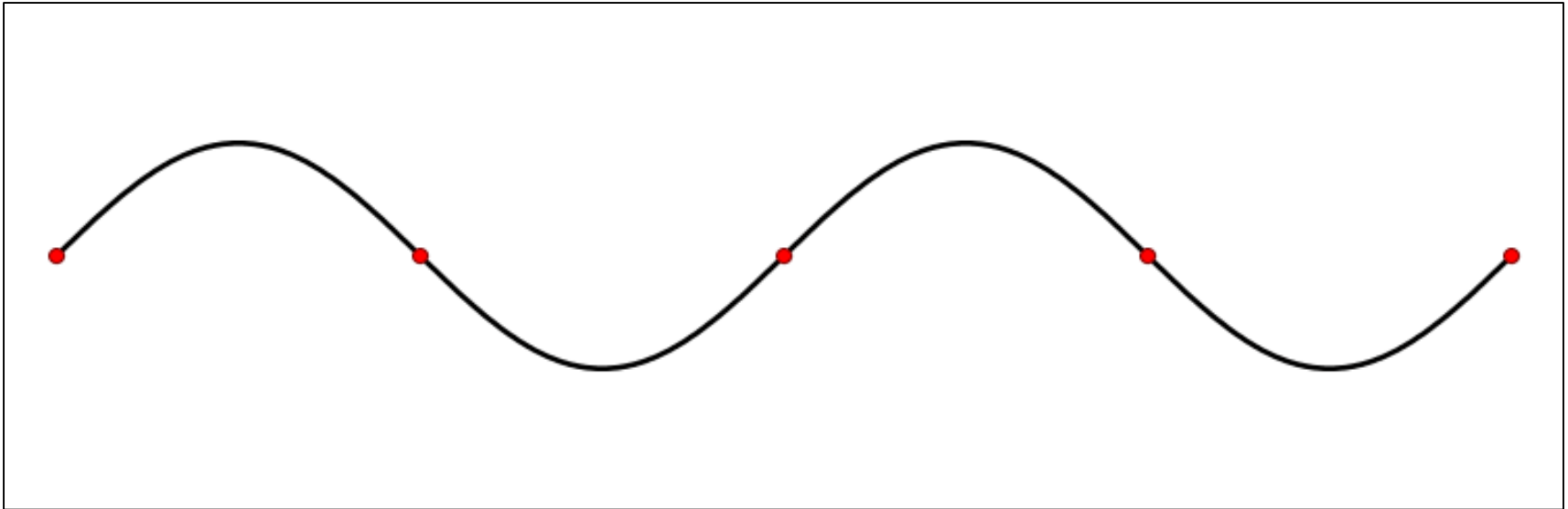
# *Temperature Problem*

- Temperature crucial parameter
  - Energy threshold for nuclear recoil
- Cannot insert temperature probe
- Measure temp of fluid around chamber
  - Bigger chambers, more error

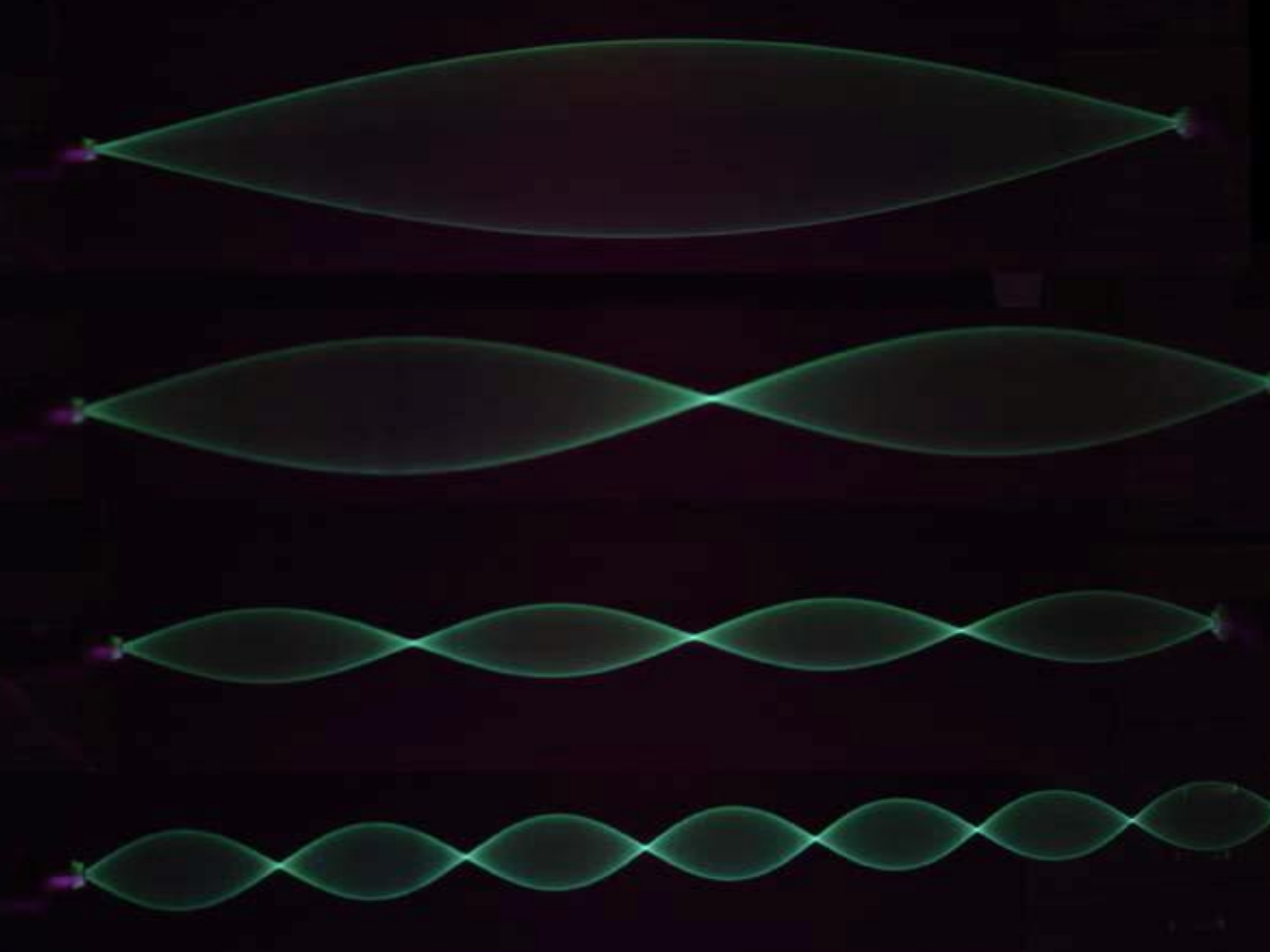
*What do we do???*



# Standing Wave



*Resonance*



# Resonance Frequency!

Piezoelectric microphones detect acoustic pressure of system

→ Temperature

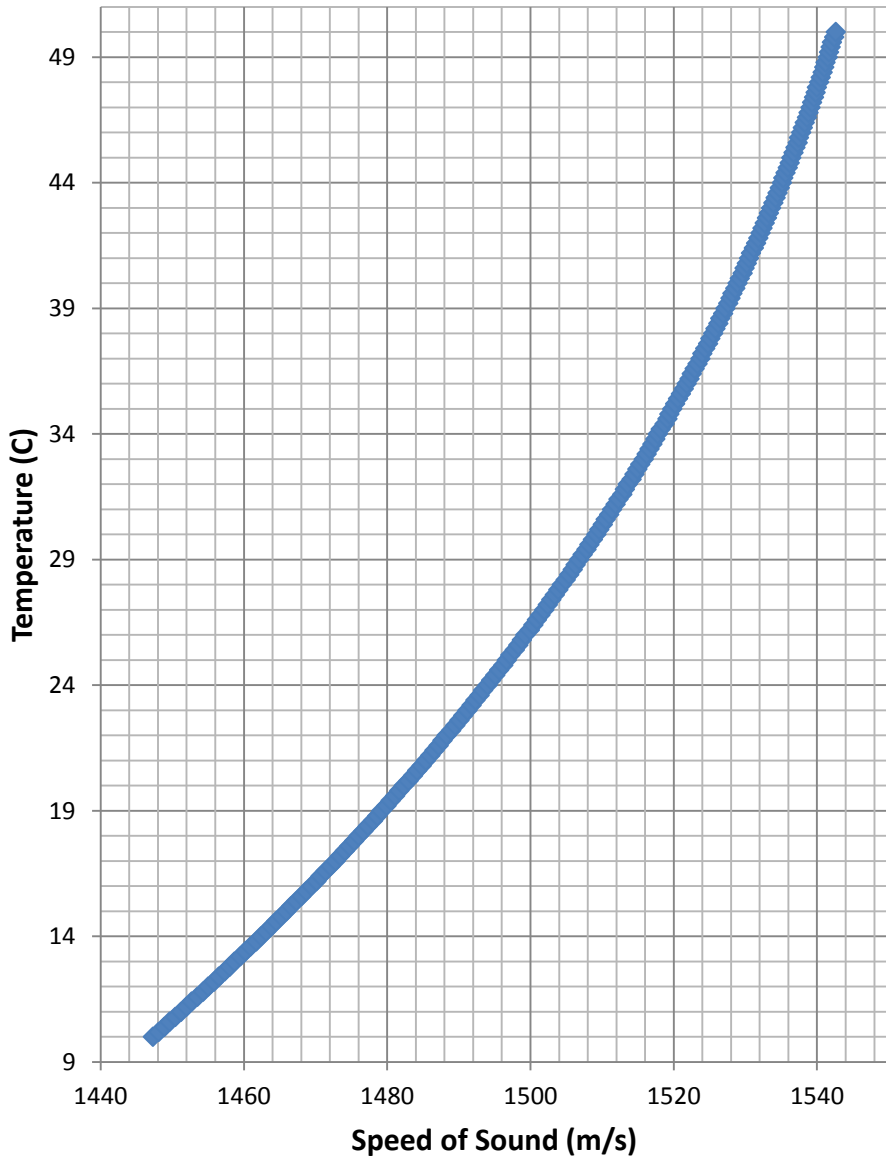
→ Density

→ Speed of Sound

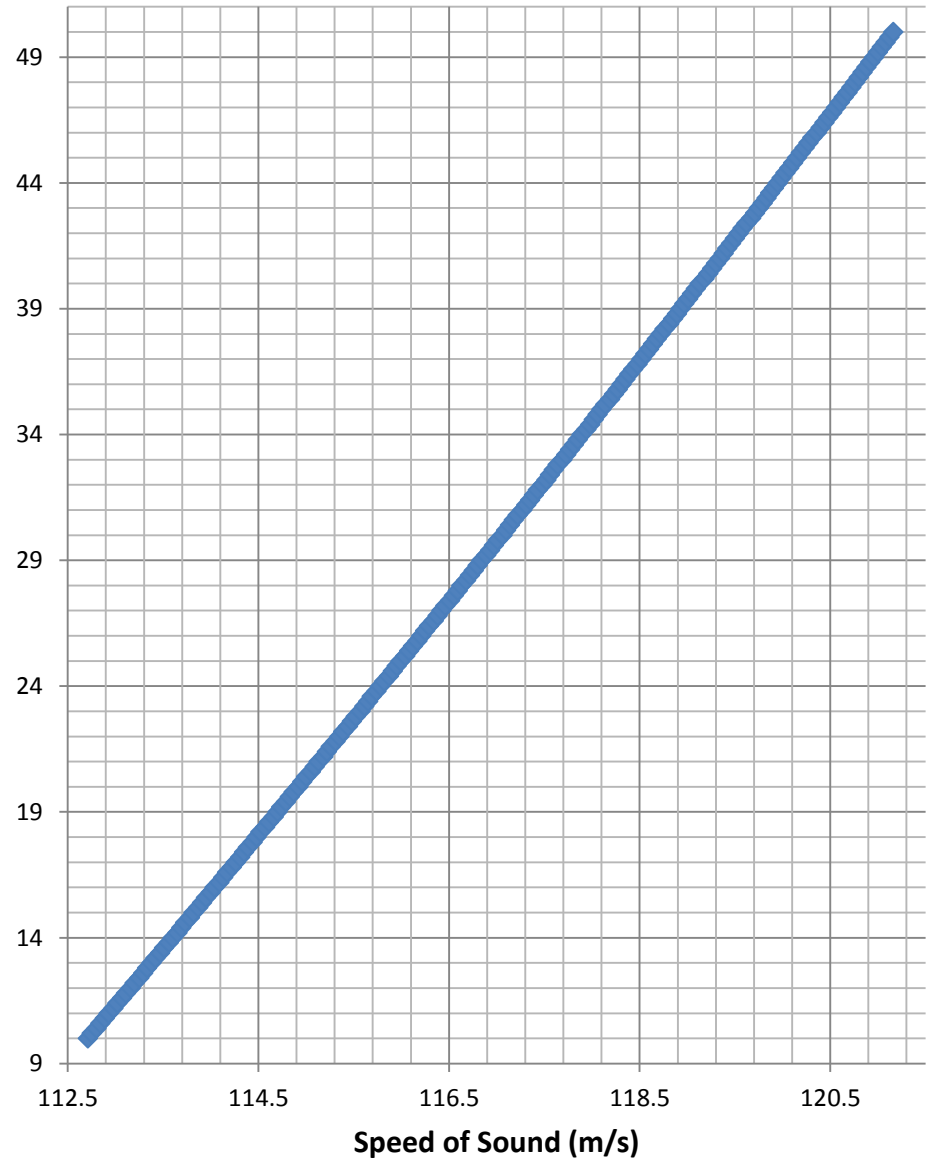
→ Resonance

Frequency

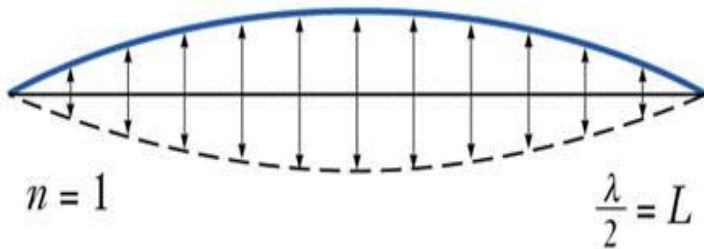
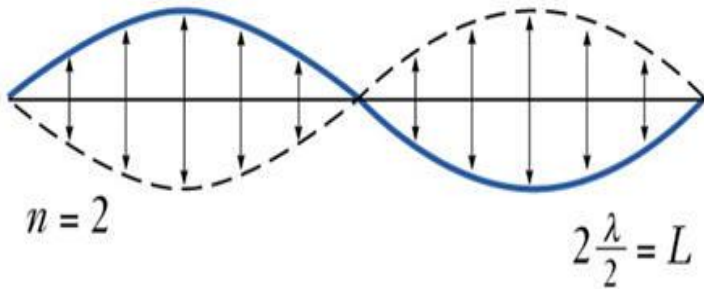
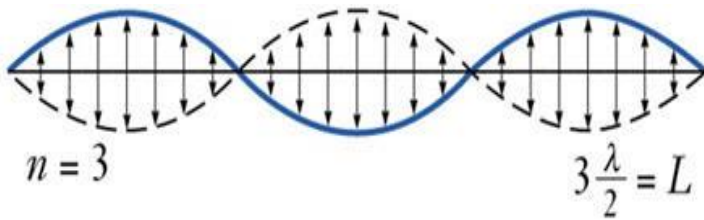
### Temperature vs Speed of Sound in Water at 1 atm



### Temperature vs Speed of Sound in Octafluoropropane at 1atm



$$f = \frac{v}{2 * \pi i} \sqrt{\left(\frac{\ell}{L_x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m}{L_y}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{n}{L_z}\right)^2}$$

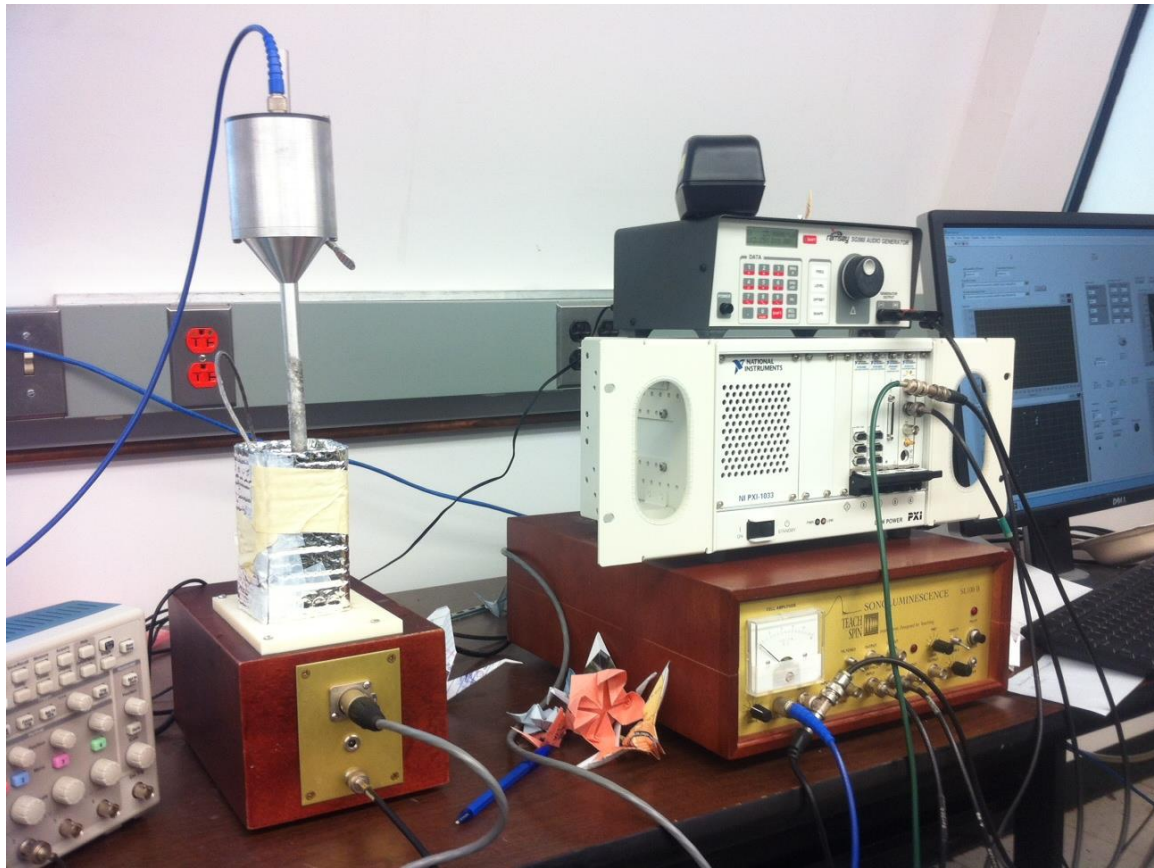


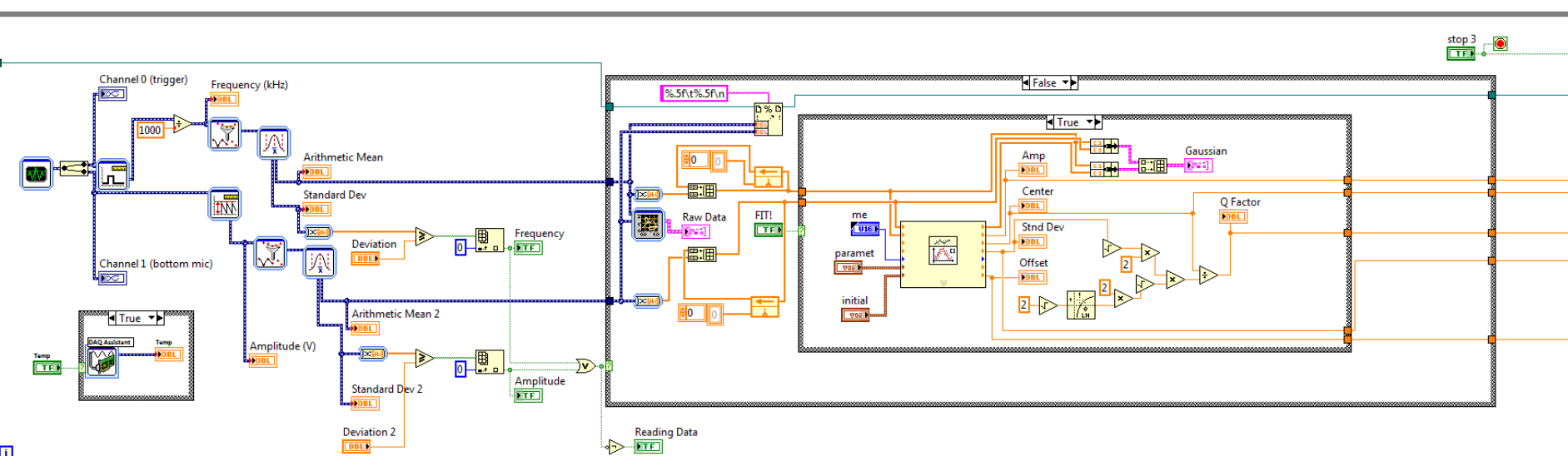
$f$  = resonance frequency

$v$  = speed of sound

$l, m, n$  = # half wavelengths in  $x, y, z$  direction

$L_x, L_y, L_z$  = dimensions in  $x, y, z$  direction







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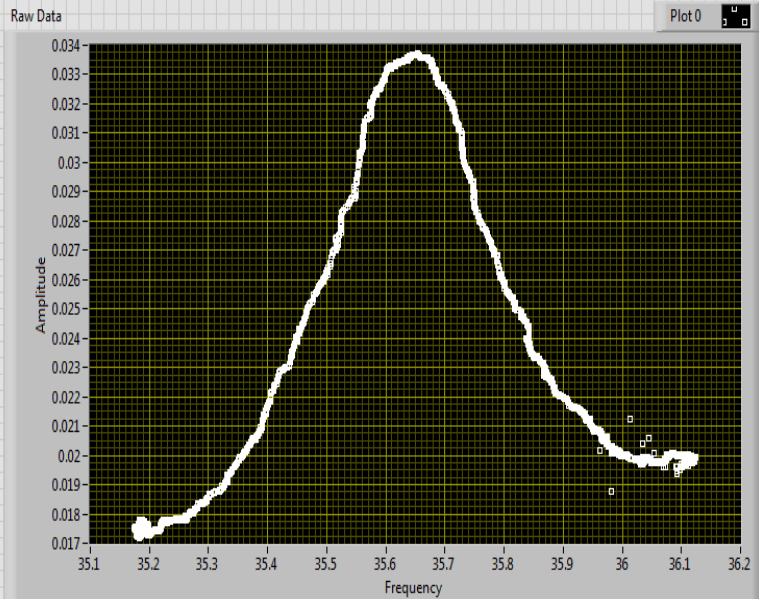
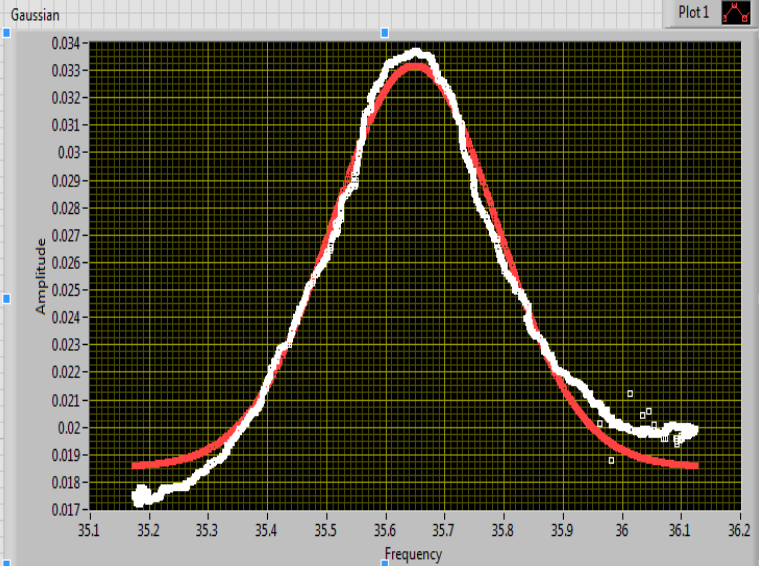
file path XY data

C:\Users\madeline\Documents\LabVIEW Data\TestData46.txt

file path temp/gaus fit

C:\Users\madeline\Documents\LabVIEW Data\FitData46.txt

STOP



initial guess 2

parameter bounds 2

initial amplitude: NaN

initial center: NaN

initial standard deviation: NaN

offset: NaN

amp min: 0, amp max: Inf

center min: -Inf, center max: Inf

deviation min: -Inf, deviation max: Inf

offset min: 0, offset max: 1

FIT!



method 2  
Least Square

Q Factor

57.2755

Offset	Amp	Center	Std Dev
0.018551	0.014620	35.6487	0.139722

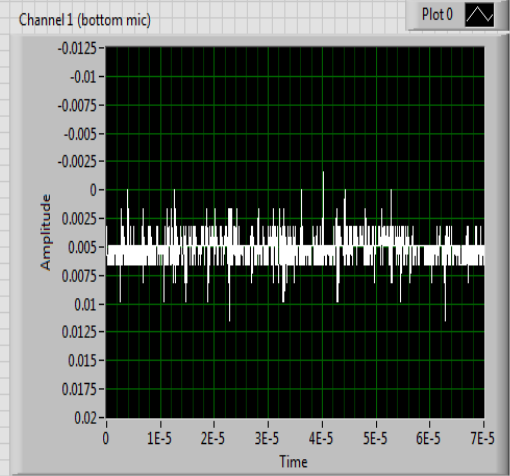
Frequency	Amplitude
Deviation: 1.1	Deviation 2: 1.003
Arithmetic Mean: 35.1795	Arithmetic Mean 2: 0.0172368
Standard Dev: 0.0811347	Standard Dev 2: 0.0018043

Reading Data

Amplitude (V): 0.014704359

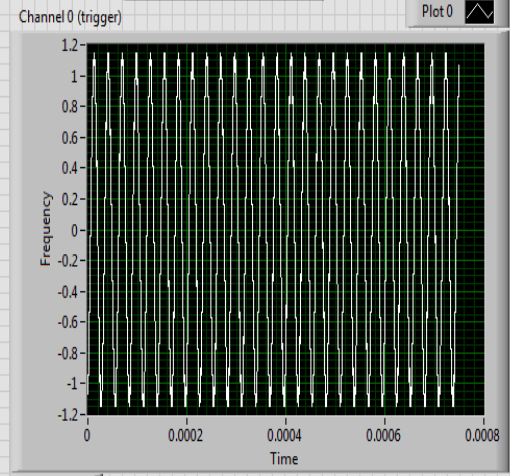
Frequency (kHz): 35.1914414

Temp (C): 18.912



Time

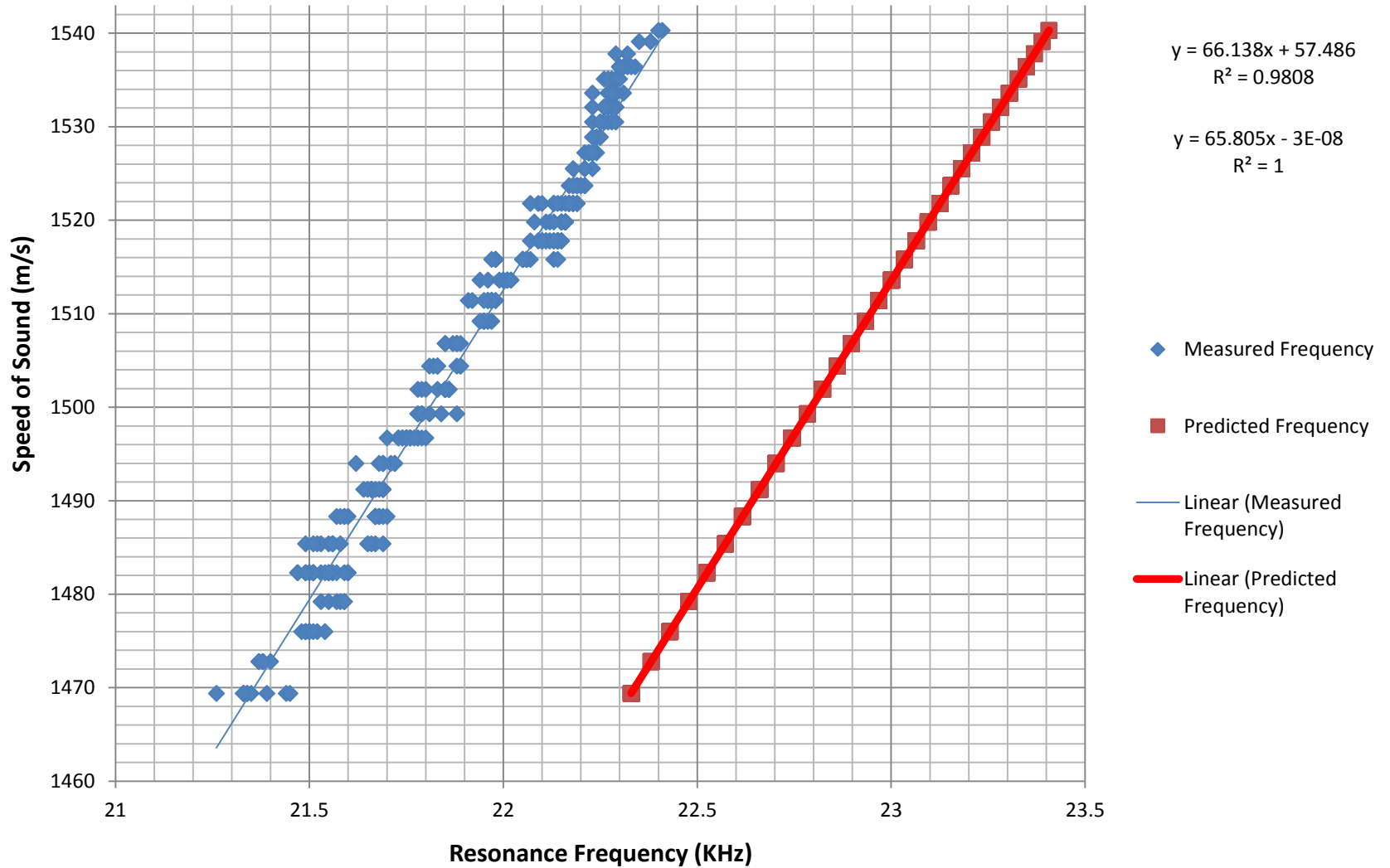
Amplitude

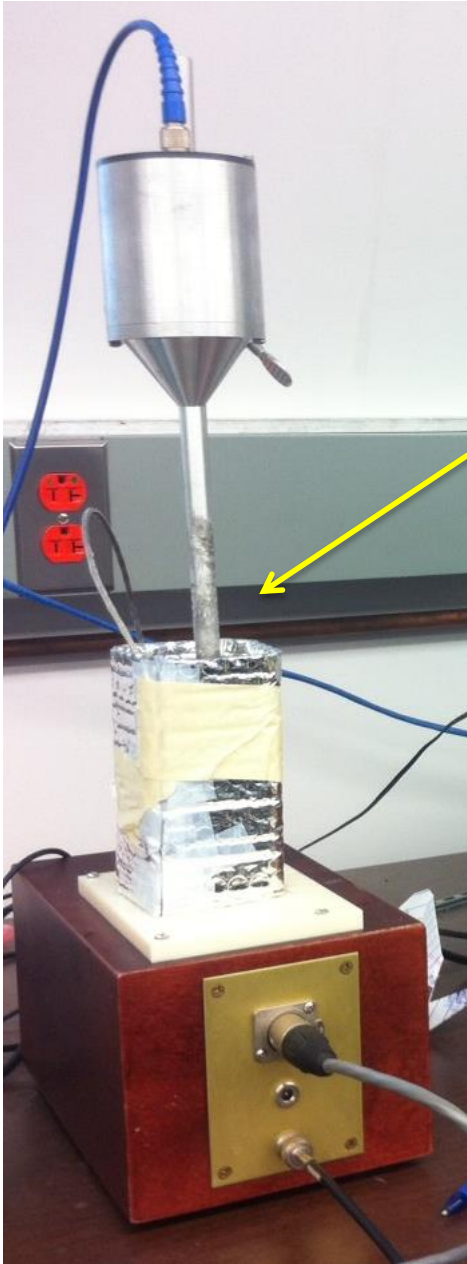


Time

Frequency

# Speed of Sound vs Peak Resonance Frequency of a 112 Three Dimensional Standing Wave in water



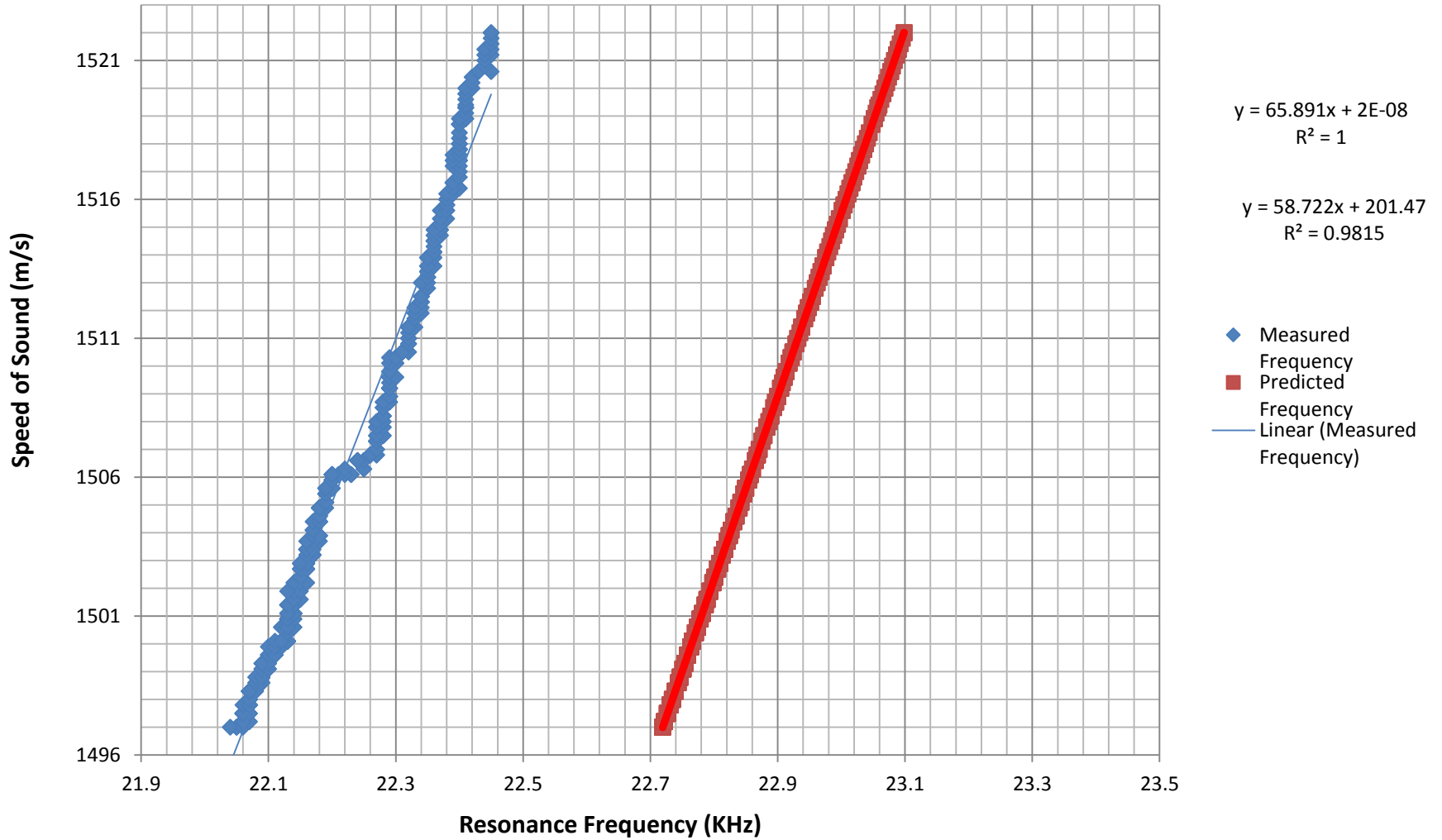


*Scatter a result of shifting driver*

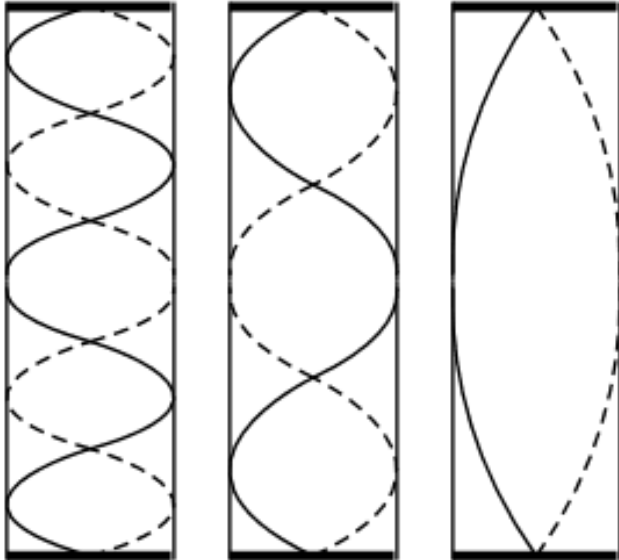
This is clearly crooked

→ Correct by not changing the water during a test

# Speed of Sound vs Peak Resonance Frequency of a 112 Three Dimensional Standing Wave in water

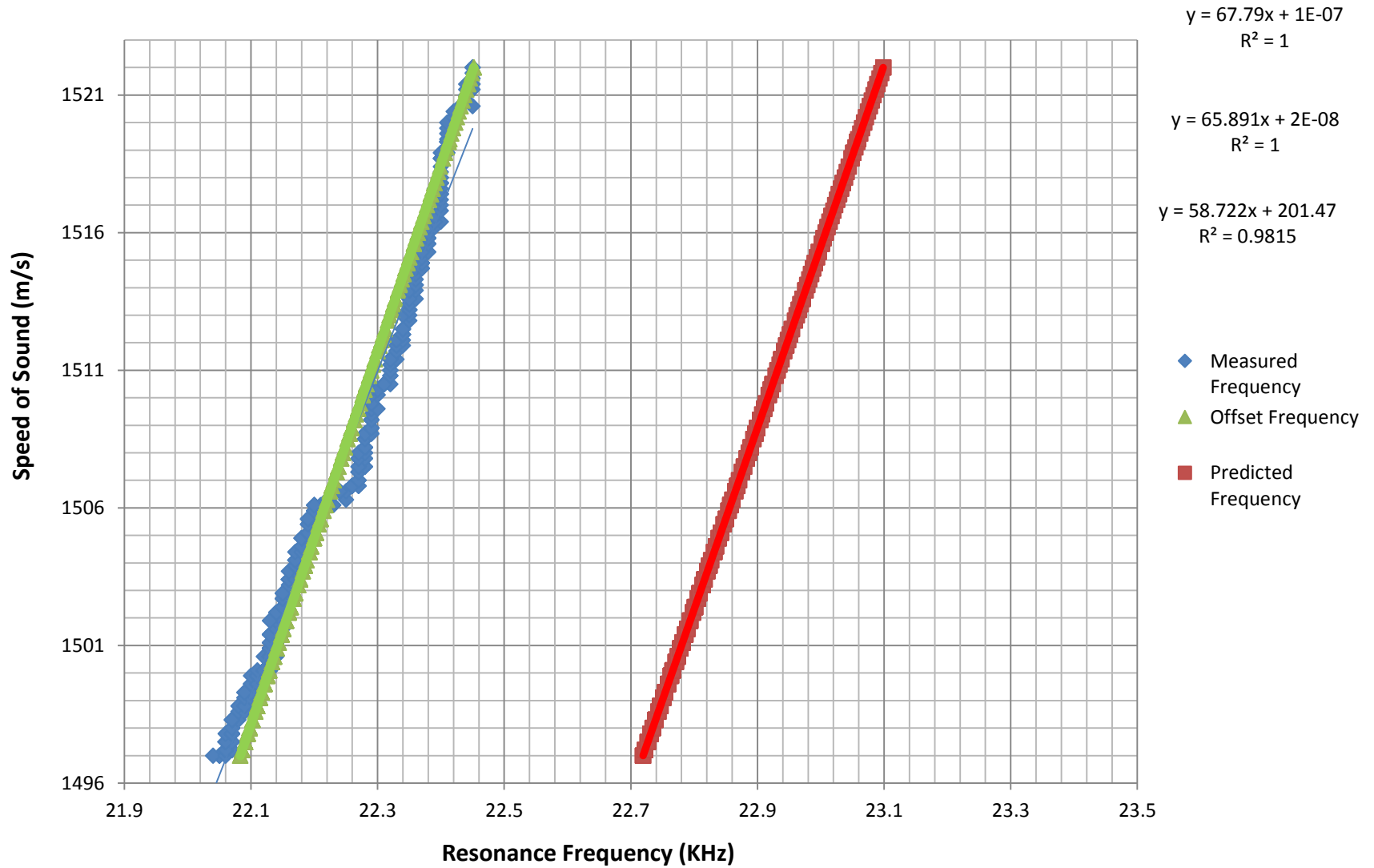


$$f = \frac{v}{2 * pi} \sqrt{\left(\frac{\ell}{L_x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m}{L_y}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{n}{L_z}\right)^2}$$



- Not perfectly rigid boundaries  
→ *Open top!*
- Dimensions  $L_x$ ,  $L_y$ , and **especially**  $L_z$  may vary
- Positions of **nodes** change

# Speed of Sound vs Peak Resonance Frequency of a 112 Three Dimensional Standing Wave in water



# *Further Experimentation*

- *Change geometry, fluid*
- *Greater precision, account for systematic errors*
- *Generate frequencies in chamber*

# Personal Experience

- HUGE amount of independence
- Confidence!
  - To ask or not to ask
- How not to give up even when *nothing works*
  - (“Our code finally works! Oh, no wait, it doesn’t work. Oh hey we fixed it! Oh nope now there’s a new problem...”)
- Bitten by the research bug?





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