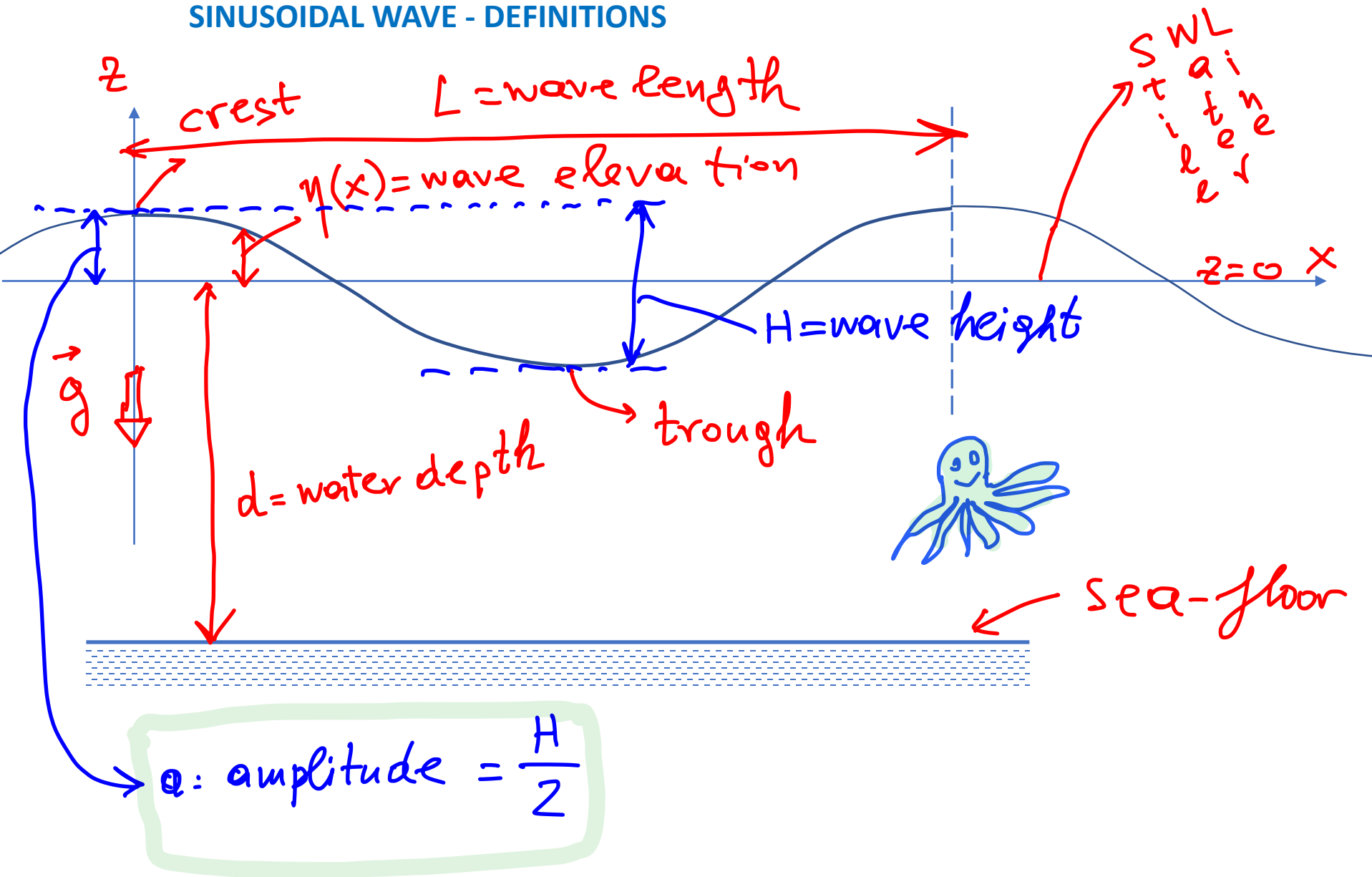
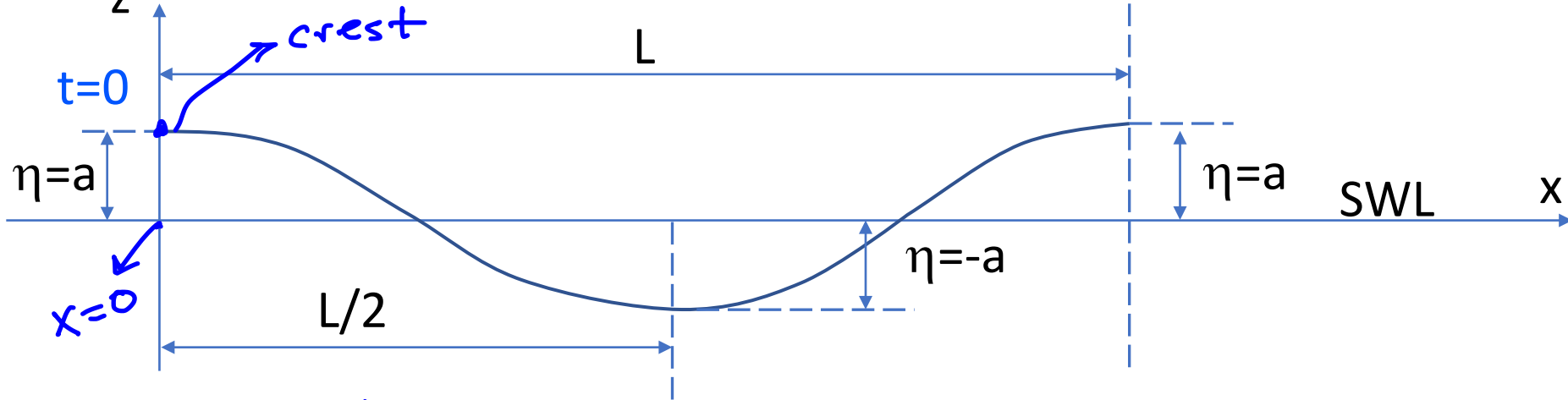


# SINUSOIDAL WAVE - DEFINITIONS



# SINUSOIDAL WAVE - FORMULAS



crest is at  $x=0$

$$\eta(x) = \underline{A} \cos(kx)$$

$A, k$  to be determined

at  $x=0$   $\eta(0) = \underline{A} = a$

at  $x=L$   $\eta(L) = a$

$\cancel{a} \cos(kL) = \cancel{a}$

$$\cos\left(\frac{kL}{\cancel{a}}\right) = 1 \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad 2\pi = kL \rightsquigarrow$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{k = \frac{2\pi}{L}}$$

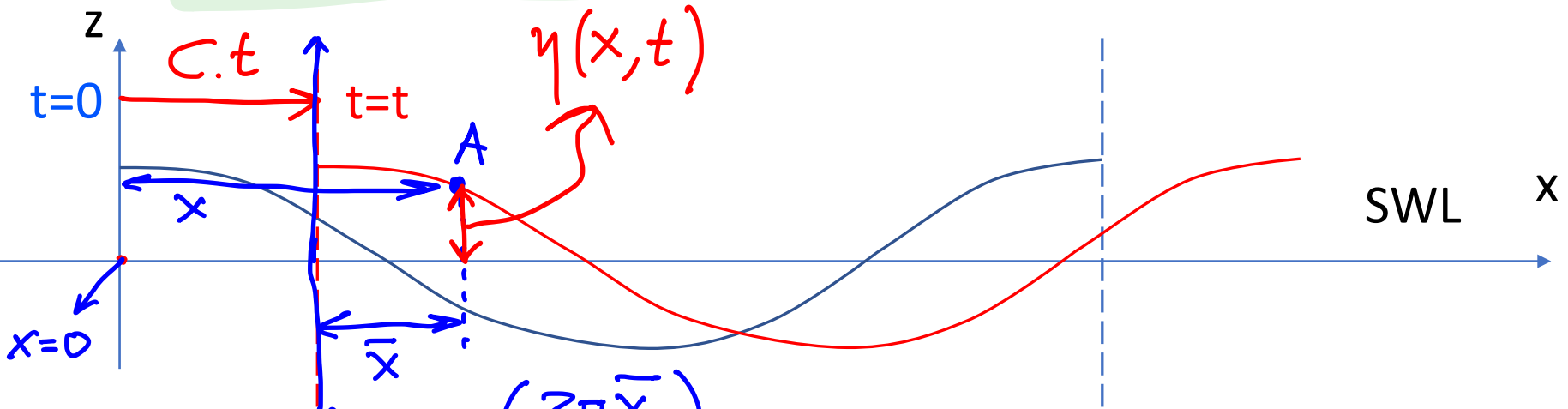
wave number (units  $m^{-1}$  or  $s^{-1}$ )

$$\eta(x) = a \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L}\right)$$

argument of cos has to be in radians!!

# SINUSOIDAL WAVE – GOING TO THE “RIGHT”

$C =$  wave speed or celerity



$$\eta_A(x, t) = \eta\left(\frac{2\pi\bar{x}}{L}\right)$$

$$\bar{x} = x - C.t$$

$$= a \cos\left(\frac{2\pi\bar{x}}{L}\right) = a \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{L}(x - Ct)\right) =$$

$$= a \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L} - \frac{2\pi Ct}{L}\right)$$

$T$ : wave period = time it takes for a crest to propagate by a distance  $L$

$$L = CT$$

$$C = \frac{L}{T}$$

↳  $\eta(x, t) = a \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L} - \frac{2\pi \phi t}{\lambda \cdot T}\right) \Rightarrow$

$$\eta(x, t) = a \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L} - \frac{2\pi t}{T}\right)$$

$$k = \frac{2\pi}{L}$$

wave (angular) frequency:  $\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T}$  (units rad/sec)

temporal frequency:  $f = \frac{1}{T}$  (units are cycles/sec or Hertz)

From above  $\omega = 2\pi f$

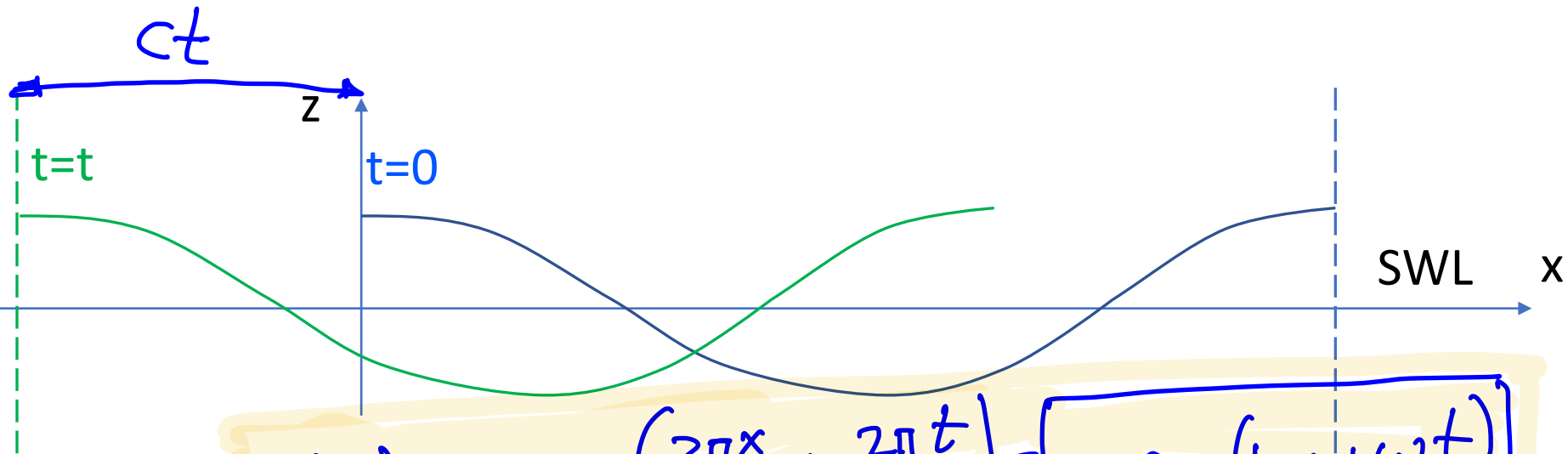
$$\eta(x, t) = a \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

→ wave going to the "right"

or going to  $(x+)$

must be in radians!!

# SINUSOIDAL WAVE – GOING TO THE “LEFT”



$$\eta(x,t) = a \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L} + \frac{2\pi t}{T}\right) = a \cos(kx + \omega t)$$

Wave going to the "left", or

$(-x)$

$H, a, L, C, T, \omega, k$   
are all  
positive numbers

$\eta(x,t)$  can be positive  
or negative!

must be in  
radians!!

# H L T EXAMPLE PROBLEMS C

Find the height, the length, the period, the celerity (=wave speed) of this wave, and in which direction it goes, where  $\eta$  and  $x$  are in meters, and  $t$  in seconds

$$\eta(x, t) = \cos(x - t)$$

1)  $a = 1\text{m} \Rightarrow H = 2a = \boxed{2\text{m}}$

2)  $k = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{2\pi}{L} = 1 \Rightarrow$

$L = 2\pi (\text{m})$

$T = 2\pi (\text{sec})$

3)  $\omega = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{2\pi}{T} = 1 \Rightarrow$

4)  $C = \frac{L}{T} = \frac{2\pi}{2\pi} = 1 \text{ m/s}$

5) goes to the "right", or  $(+x)$

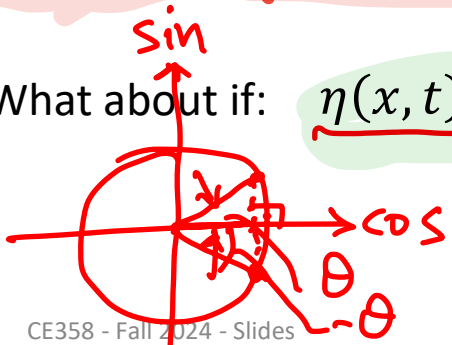
$$C = \frac{\omega}{k} = \frac{\frac{2\pi}{T}}{\frac{2\pi}{L}} = \frac{L}{T}$$

Do the same if:  $\eta(x, t) = \cos(x + t)$

alternative formula for C

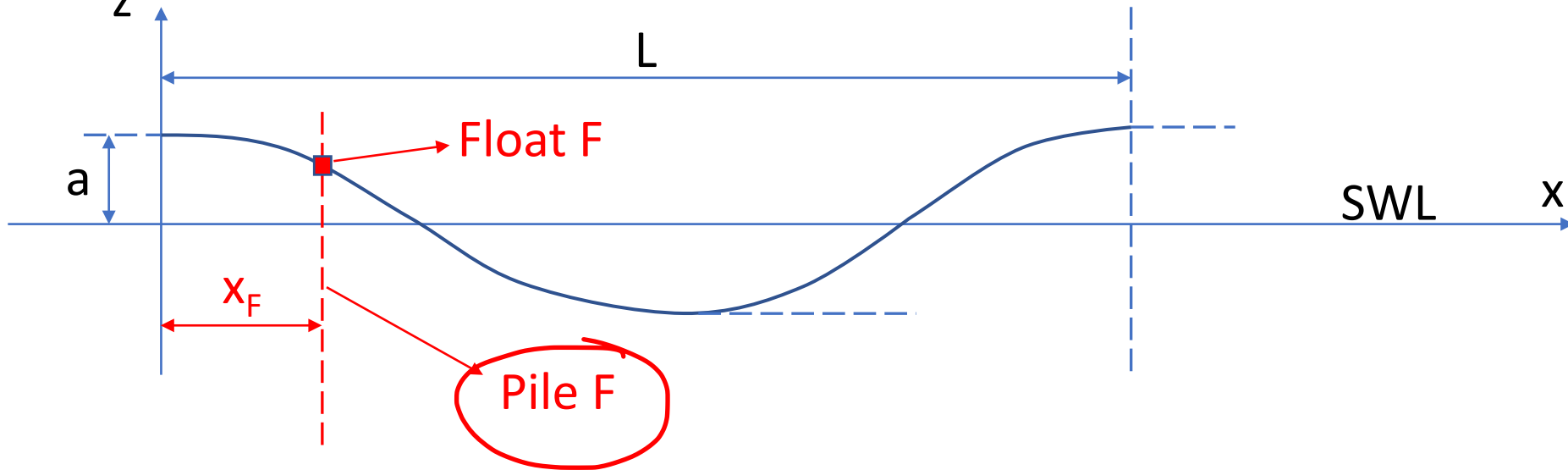
(H, L, T, C)  
ALL the same, except direction  
This wave goes to the "left", or  $(-x)$

What about if:  $\eta(x, t) = \cos(t - x) = \cos(x - t) \rightarrow$  same as 1<sup>st</sup> problem



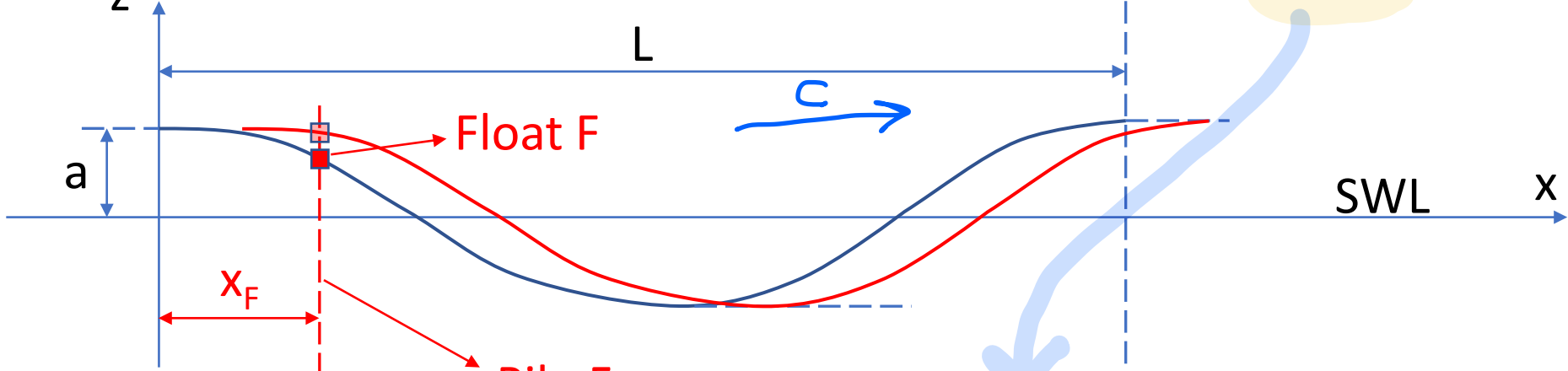
$$\left. \begin{aligned} \cos(\theta) &= \cos(-\theta) \\ \sin(-\theta) &= -\sin(\theta) \end{aligned} \right\} \text{From trig.}$$

## SINUSOIDAL WAVE – CONCEPT OF FLOAT



Float F can follow the wave surface at  $x = x_F$  without friction

# SINUSOIDAL WAVE – MOTION OF FLOAT – WAVE GOES TO THE “RIGHT”



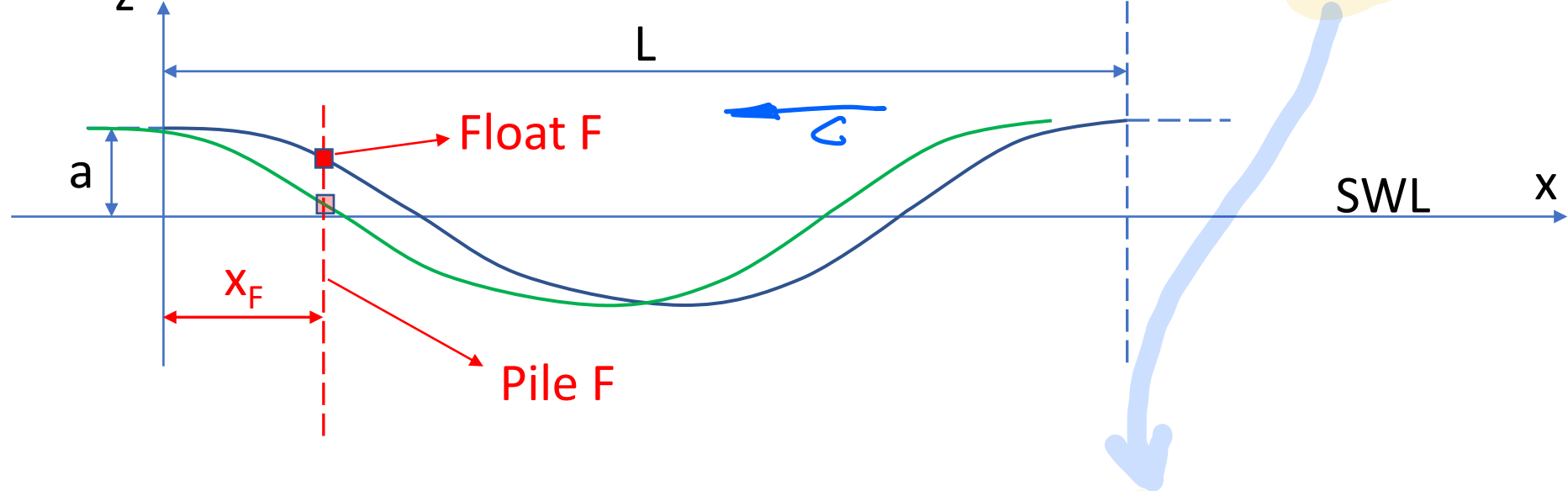
$$\eta_F(t) = \eta(x_F, t) = a \cos(kx_F - \omega t)$$

$x_F$  is fixed

Float displacement or deflection  
is only a function of time



# SINUSOIDAL WAVE – MOTION OF FLOAT – WAVE GOING TO THE “LEFT”



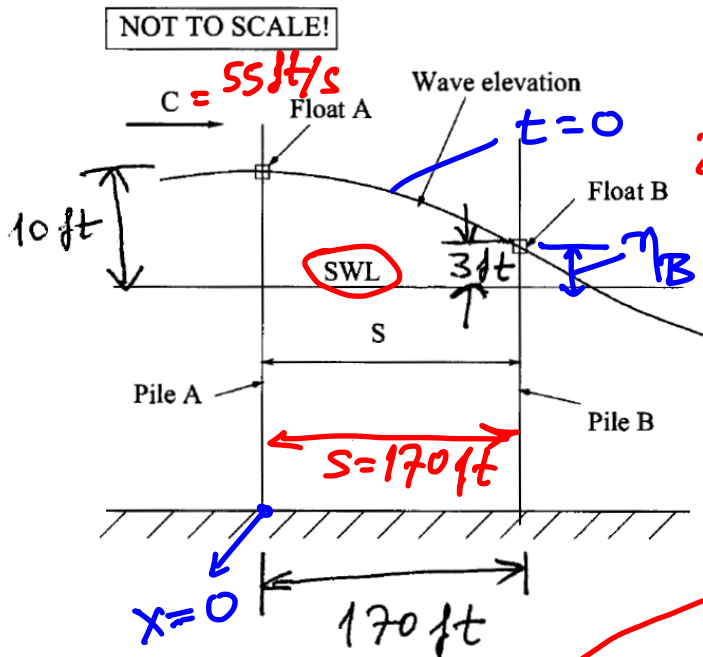
$$\underline{\eta_F(t)} = \eta(x_F, t) = \underline{a \cos(kx_F + \omega t)}$$

## EXAMPLE PROBLEM ON FLOATS

A wave is traveling from pile A to B with a speed  $C = 55 \text{ ft/sec}$  (floats A and B move freely along the piles). The distance between piles A and B is  $S = 170 \text{ ft}$ .

At a particular time we know that float A is at its maximum level (with respect to the Still Water Line, SWL, level), equal to 10 ft. At the same instance float B is 3 ft over the SWL level.

- 2a) Find the height  $H$  of the wave (5 points)
- 2b) Find the maximum wave length,  $L$  (NOTE: There is a multiplicity of solutions for  $L$  from which only the maximum is requested) (25 points)
- 2c) The period of the wave,  $T$  (5 points)
- 2d) How long after A and B will have the same elevation? What is the value of this elevation? (25 points)



2a)  $H = ?$   
 $a = 10 \text{ ft}$  }  $H = 2a = \underline{20 \text{ ft}}$

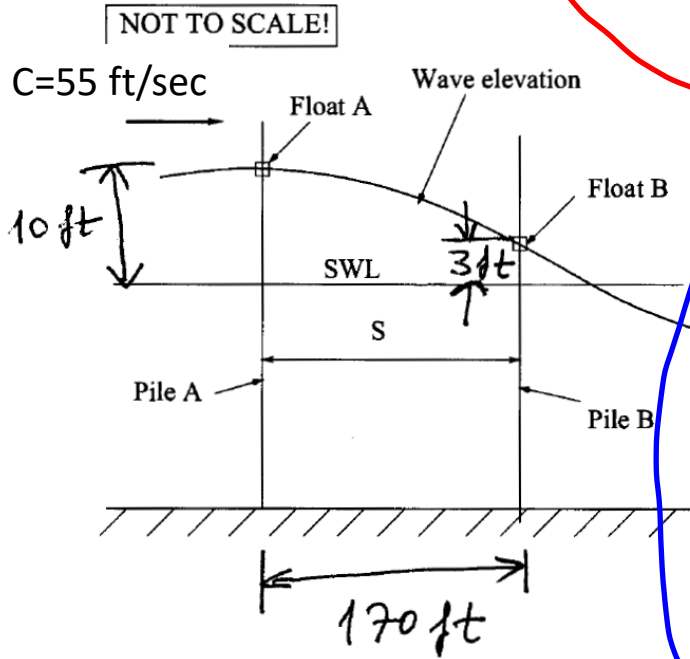
2b)  $\eta(x,t) = a \cos(kx - \omega t)$

$\eta_B = 3 \text{ ft}$   
 $\eta_B = a \cos(kx_B)$  ( $t=0$ )

$3 \text{ ft} = 10 \text{ ft} \cos(ks)$   $S = 170 \text{ ft}$

# EXAMPLE PROBLEM ON FLOATS

a) H=? b) L=? c) T=? d) t=?



$$0.3 = \cos(ks)$$

If:  $\cos(\alpha) = \cos(\beta) \Rightarrow$  (from trig.)

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \alpha = \pm \beta + n2\pi \\ n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots \end{array} \right\} \text{general solution}$$

$$\arccos(0.3) = \cos^{-1}(0.3) = 1.266 \text{ rad}$$

$$\cos(1.266) = \cos(ks) \text{ or } \cos(ks) = \cos(1.266)$$

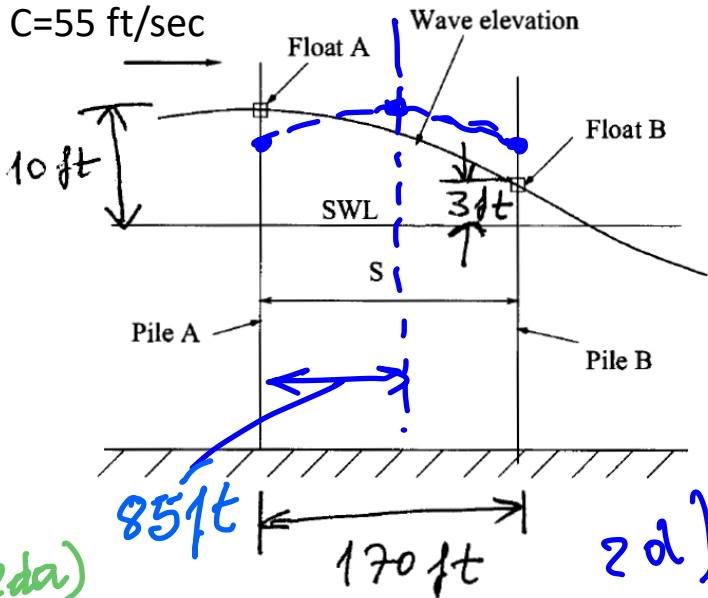
$$s = 170 \text{ ft} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} ks = \pm 1.266 + n2\pi ; \quad n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots \\ k = \frac{2\pi}{L} \end{array} \right. \text{ a) } ks = 1.266 + n2\pi$$

$L > 0$  and  $L$  max which means  $k$  has to be min  
 $n = 0 \Rightarrow L = 843.7 \text{ ft}$  ✓

# EXAMPLE PROBLEM ON FLOATS

a) H=? b) L=? c) T=? d) t=?

NOT TO SCALE!



b)  $k_s = -1.266 + n2\pi$  ( $n=0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$ )  
 $n=1$  for  $k > 0$  and  $k \text{ min}$   
 $\Rightarrow L = 212.9 \text{ ft}$

2c)  $T = \frac{L}{C} = \frac{893.7}{55} = 15.34 \text{ sec}$

2d) Crest must be in the middle between A & B so that  $\eta_A = \eta_B$

2da) Intuitive approach  
 $\eta_A = \eta_B$  when crest in the middle between A & B

$t = \frac{85 \text{ ft}}{55 \text{ ft/s}} = 1.545 \text{ sec}$

2db) Using trig:  $\eta_A = \eta_B$

$\rho \cos(kx_A - \omega t) = \rho \cos(kx_B - \omega t)$   
 $x_A = 0$   
 $x_B = s = 170 \text{ ft}$

$$\cos(-\omega t) = \cos(kS - \omega t) \Rightarrow t = \dots$$

$$\cos(\omega t) = \cos(kS - \omega t)$$

$$\omega t = \pm (kS - \omega t) + 2\pi n \quad n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

$$a) \omega t = kS - \omega t + 2\pi n \Rightarrow \underline{2\omega t = kS + 2\pi n}$$

$$t > 0 \quad t = \min \text{ (for the first time)}$$

$$n = 0 \rightarrow 2\omega t = kS \rightarrow t = \frac{kS}{2\omega} = 1.545 \text{ sec}$$

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} = \frac{2\pi}{15.34} = 0.4096 \text{ (rad/sec)}$$

$$k = \frac{2\pi}{L} = \frac{2\pi}{843.7} = 0.00745 \text{ ft}^{-1}$$

$$S = 170 \text{ ft}$$

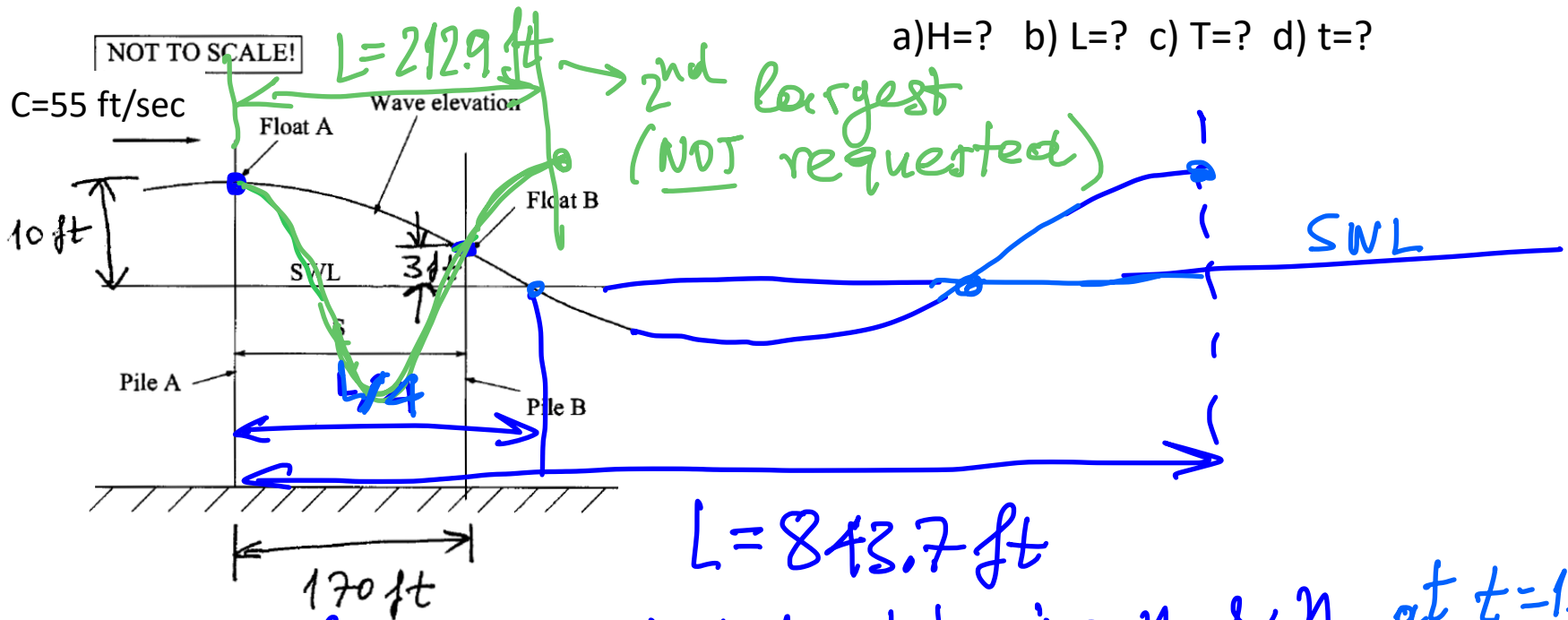
the same answer as from the intuitive method

$$b) \omega t = -(kS - \omega t) + 2\pi n$$

$$\cancel{\omega t} = -kS + \cancel{\omega t} + 2\pi n$$

not useful since it does not provide a formula for t

## EXAMPLE PROBLEM ON FLOATS



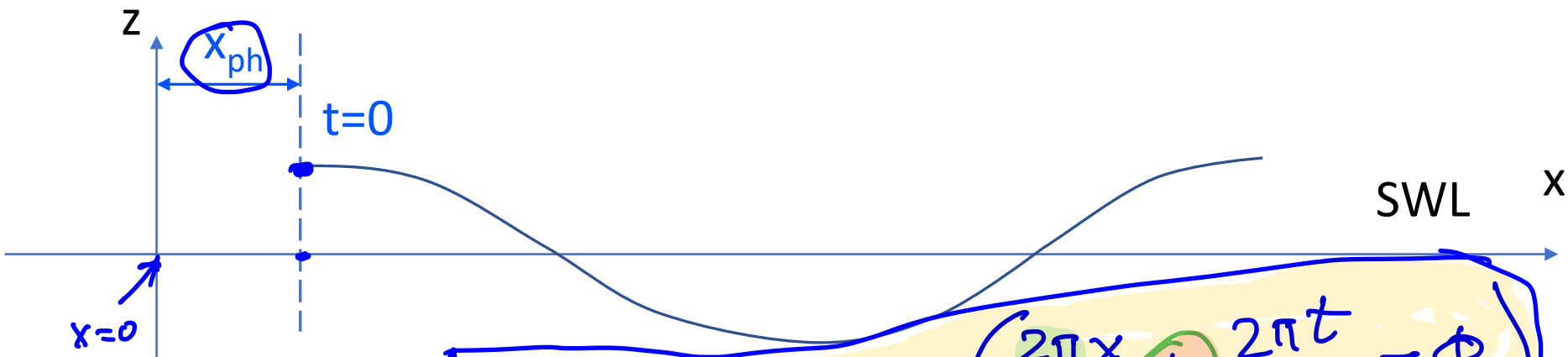
We are also requested to determine  $\eta_A$  &  $\eta_B$  at  $t = 1.545$  sec

$$\eta_A = a \cos(kx_A - \omega t) = a \cos(\omega t) = 10 \cos(0.4096 \times 1.545) = 8.06 \text{ ft}$$

$$\eta_B = a \cos(kx_B - \omega t) = 10 \cos(0.00745 \times 170 - 0.4096 \times 1.545) = 8.06 \text{ ft}$$

Note  $\eta_A = \eta_B$  (except for small roundoff errors) and that checks our previous result for  $t$

# SINUSOIDAL WAVE – PHASE OF A WAVE



$$\eta(x, t) = a \cos \left( \frac{2\pi x}{L} \pm \frac{2\pi t}{T} - \phi \right)$$

$\phi$ : phase of the wave

$$\phi = \frac{X_{ph}}{L} 2\pi$$

⊕ wave goes to ⊖  
 ⊖ " " " ⊕

the factor multiplying x has to be positive

"Standard" or "canonical" form

Note  $\phi$  is not unique since we can add or subtract multiples of  $2\pi$  without changing  $\eta$ !

## EXAMPLES ON PHASE OF A WAVE

Put the following wave profiles into their “canonical” form and determine their phase and their direction of propagation. Plot the wave profiles at  $t = 0$  and verify that the phases you determined *make sense*. Remember  $a$ ,  $H$ ,  $L$ ,  $k$ ,  $T$ ,  $\omega$ , and  $C$ , are, by definition, **positive** numbers.

(a)  $\eta = \sin(x - 2t)$

(b)  $\eta = -\cos(3x + t)$

(a)  $\eta = \sin(x - 2t) = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - (x - 2t)\right) =$   
 $= \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - x + 2t\right) = \cos\left(x - 2t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$

$\phi = \frac{\pi}{2}$

$\cos(\theta) = \cos(-\theta)$

to the “right” or  $(+x)$

(b)  $\eta = -\cos(3x + t) = \cos(\pi - (3x + t))$

$-\cos\theta = \cos(\pi - \theta)$

$\rightarrow \cos(\pi - 3x - t) = \cos(3x + t - \pi)$

$\phi = \pi$   
to the left or  $(-x)$

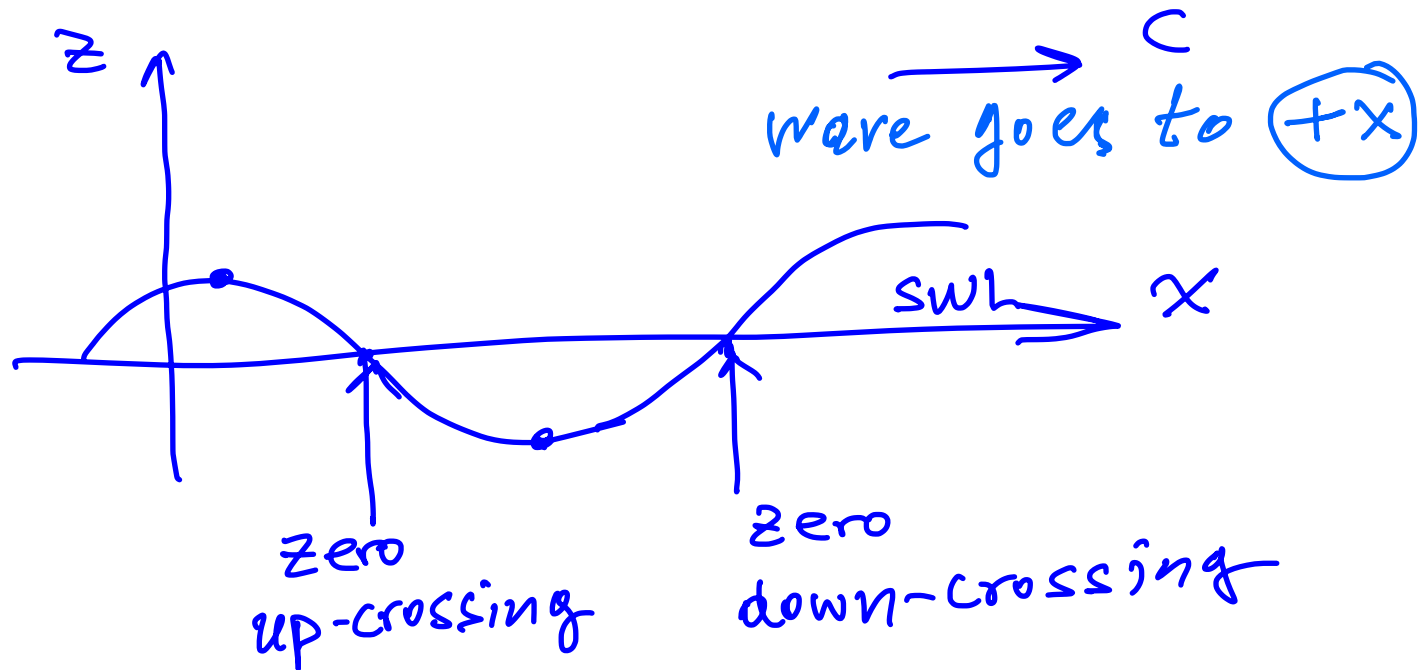


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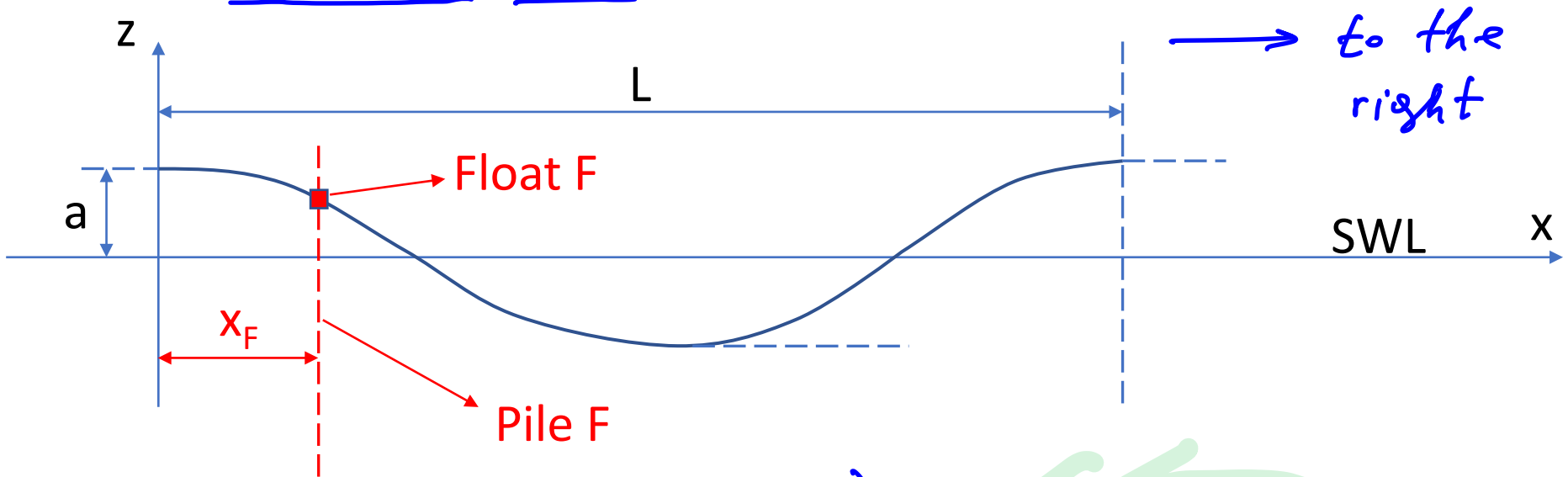
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# DISPLACEMENT, VELOCITY, AND ACCELERATION OF A FLOAT



$$\eta_F = a \cos(kx_F - \omega t)$$

$$V_F = \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial t} = a \left[ -\sin(kx_F - \omega t) \right] (-\omega) = a\omega \sin(kx_F - \omega t)$$

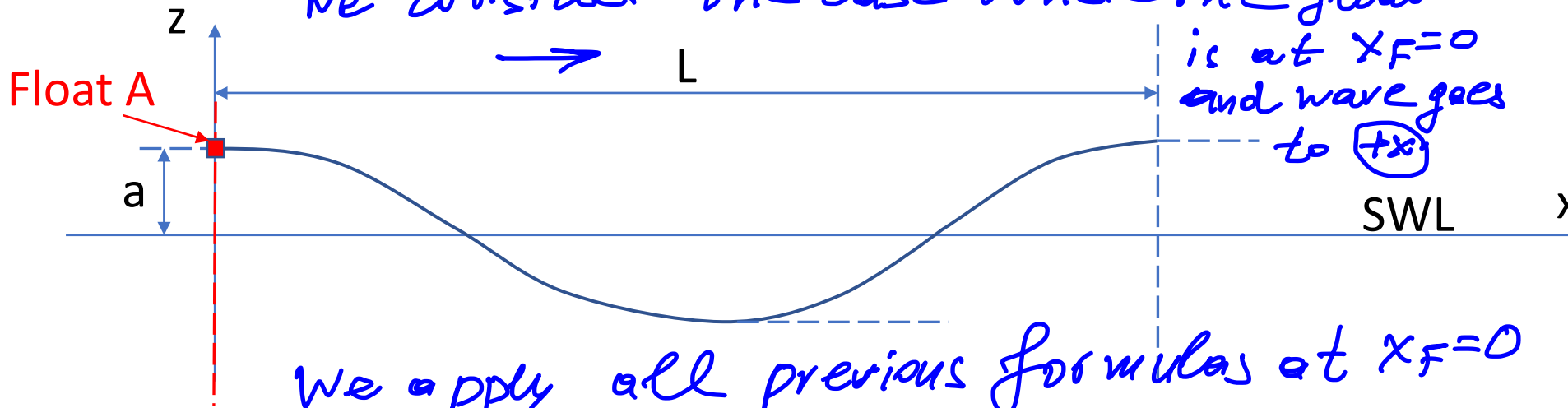
$$a_F = \frac{\partial V_F}{\partial t} = a\omega \cos(kx_F - \omega t) (-\omega) = -a\omega^2 \cos(kx_F - \omega t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{a_F = -\omega^2 \eta_F}$$

## EXAMPLE ON DISPLACEMENT, VELOCITY, AND ACCELERATION OF A FLOAT

We consider the case where the float

is at  $x_F=0$   
and wave goes  
to  $(+x)$

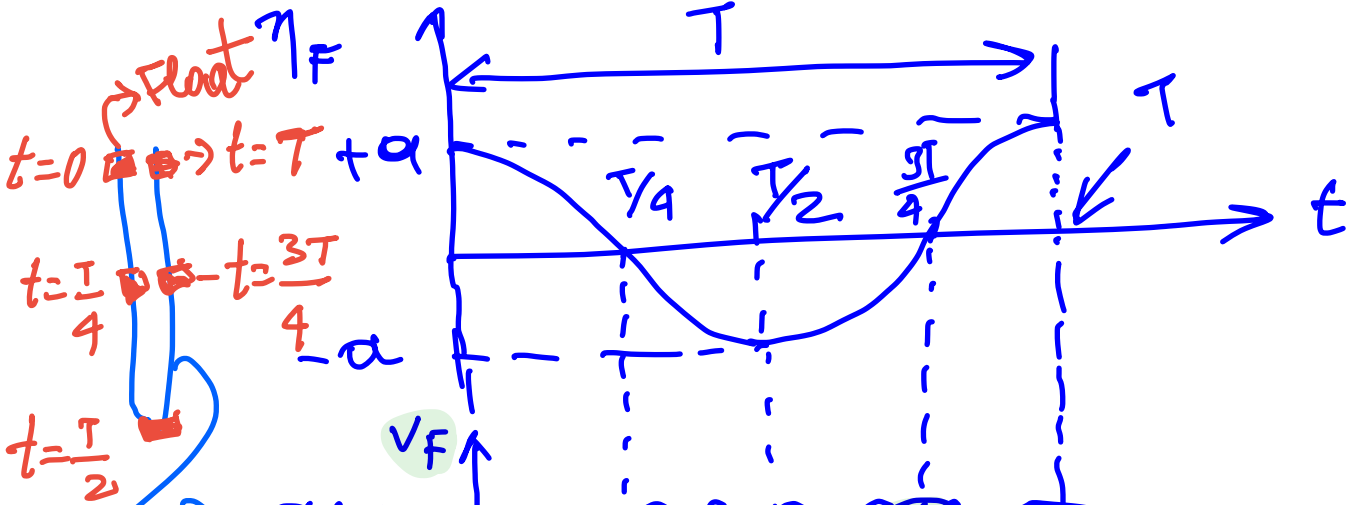


$$\eta_F = a \cos(\omega t)$$

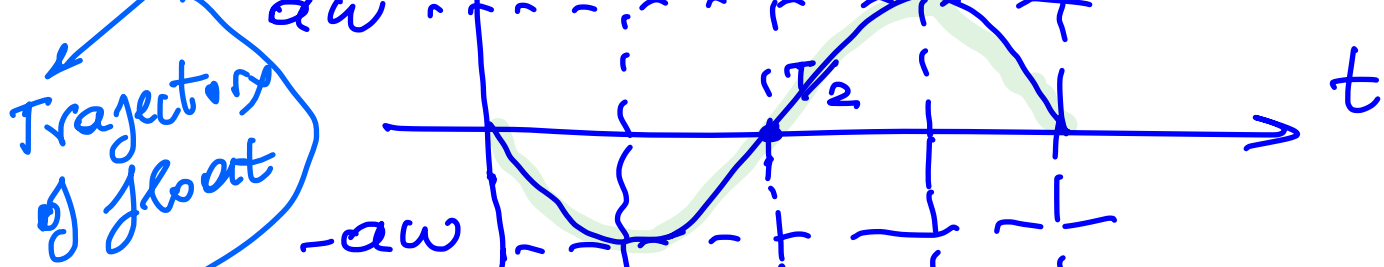
$$V_F = a\omega \sin(-\omega t) = -a\omega \sin(\omega t)$$

$$a_F = -a\omega^2 \cos(\omega t)$$

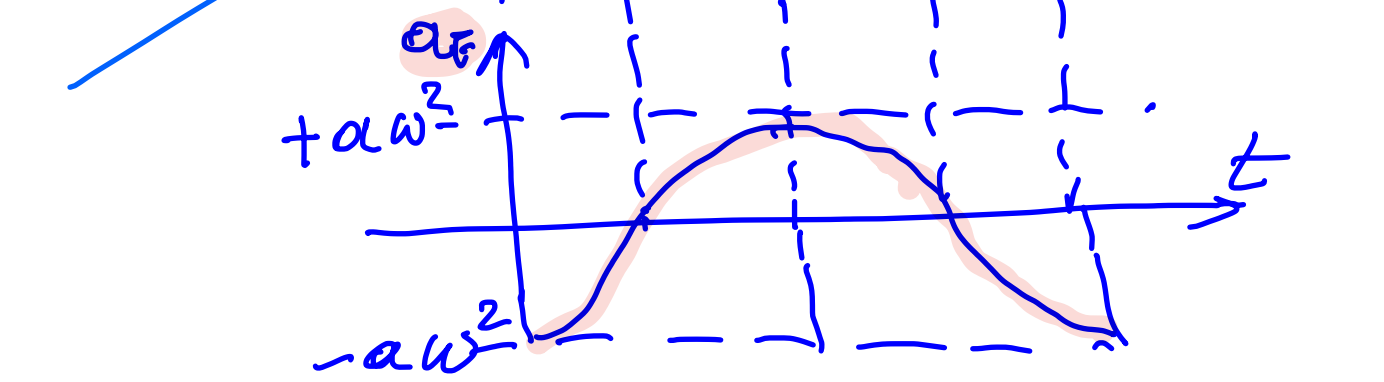
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$t=0$  → float  $\eta_F$   
 $t=T/4$  →  $t=3T/4$   
 $t=T/2$   
 Trajectory of float

Motion of float is analogous to motion of a person on a swing:

