

Example

1. What is the speed of sound in air that is 25 °C?

$$\begin{aligned}v &= 331 + 0.59 T_{\text{air}} \\ &= 331 + 0.59 (25) \\ &= 331 + 14.7 \\ &= 345.7 \text{ m/s}\end{aligned}$$

2. A fighter pilot wants to travel three times the speed of sound. How fast must she travel if the air temperature is 15 °C?

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What is the distance to shore if a ship captain hears the echo of his horn in 5.2 s if the temperature is -21°C ?

$$\begin{aligned}v_{\text{sound}} &= 331 + 0.59 T_{\text{air}} \\ &= 331 + (0.59)(-21) \\ &= 331 - 12.4 \\ &= \underline{\underline{319\text{m/s}}}\end{aligned}$$

$$t = 5.2\text{s}$$

$$v = \frac{d}{t} \Rightarrow 319 = \frac{d}{5.2}$$

$$1659\text{m} = d$$

↑ to shore and
back to boat

dist to
Shore = $\textcircled{829\text{m}}$

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