

Q) A rocket is moving at a speed of  $200\text{ms}^{-1}$  towards a stationary target. While moving, it emits a wave of frequency  $1000\text{Hz}$ . Calculate the frequency of the sound as detected by the target. (Velocity of sound in air is  $330\text{ms}^{-1}$  )

A) Speed of rocket (source)

$$v_s = 200\text{m/s}$$

Speed of sound in air

$$v_{\text{sound}} = 330\text{m/s}$$

Original frequency of sound

$$f_o = 1000\text{ Hz}$$

Apparent frequency of sound heard by the stationary target,

$$f' = f_o \left[ \frac{v_{\text{sound}}}{v_{\text{sound}} - v_s} \right]$$

$\therefore$

$$f' = 1000 \left[ \frac{330}{330 - 200} \right] = 2538.5\text{ Hz}$$