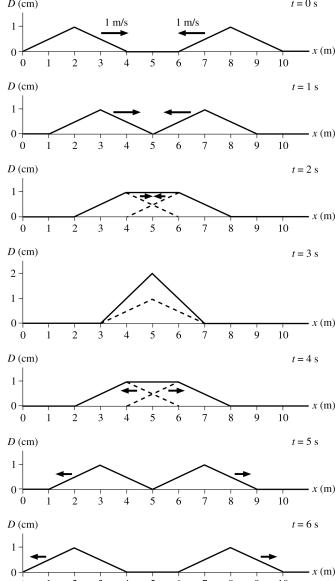
**21.1. Model:** The principle of superposition comes into play whenever the waves overlap.





The graph at t = 1 s differs from the graph at t = 0 s in that the left wave has moved to the right by 1 m and the right wave has moved to the left by 1 m. This is because the distance covered by the wave pulse in 1 s is 1 m. The snapshot graphs at t = 2 s, 3 s, and 4 s are a superposition of the left and the right moving waves. The overlapping parts of the two waves are shown by the dotted lines.