

5 (a) Describe how a longitudinal wave differs from a transverse wave.

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(b) Fig. 5.1 represents a seismic wave produced by an earthquake.

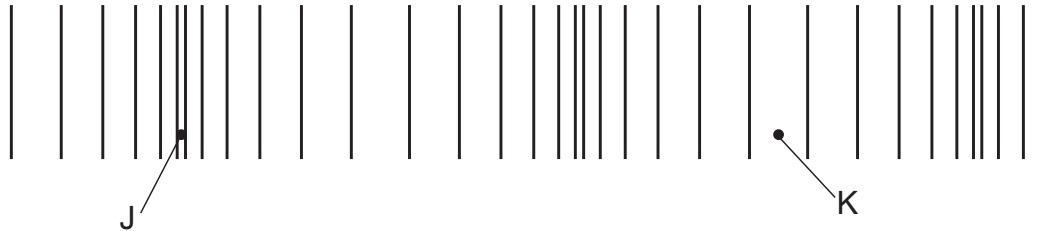


Fig. 5.1

(i) State whether this seismic wave is a P-wave (primary) or an S-wave (secondary). Justify your choice.

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(ii) The wave represented in Fig. 5.1 has a wavelength of 1.2×10^4 m.

Calculate the actual distance between point J and point K.

distance = [2]

(iii) The wave in (ii) travels through the ground at a speed of 4600 m/s.

As the wave passes a certain point, the ground completes 5 oscillations.

Calculate the time that it takes for the wave to pass. Show your working.

time = [3]