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What kind of seismic wave can move through solids, liquids, and gas?

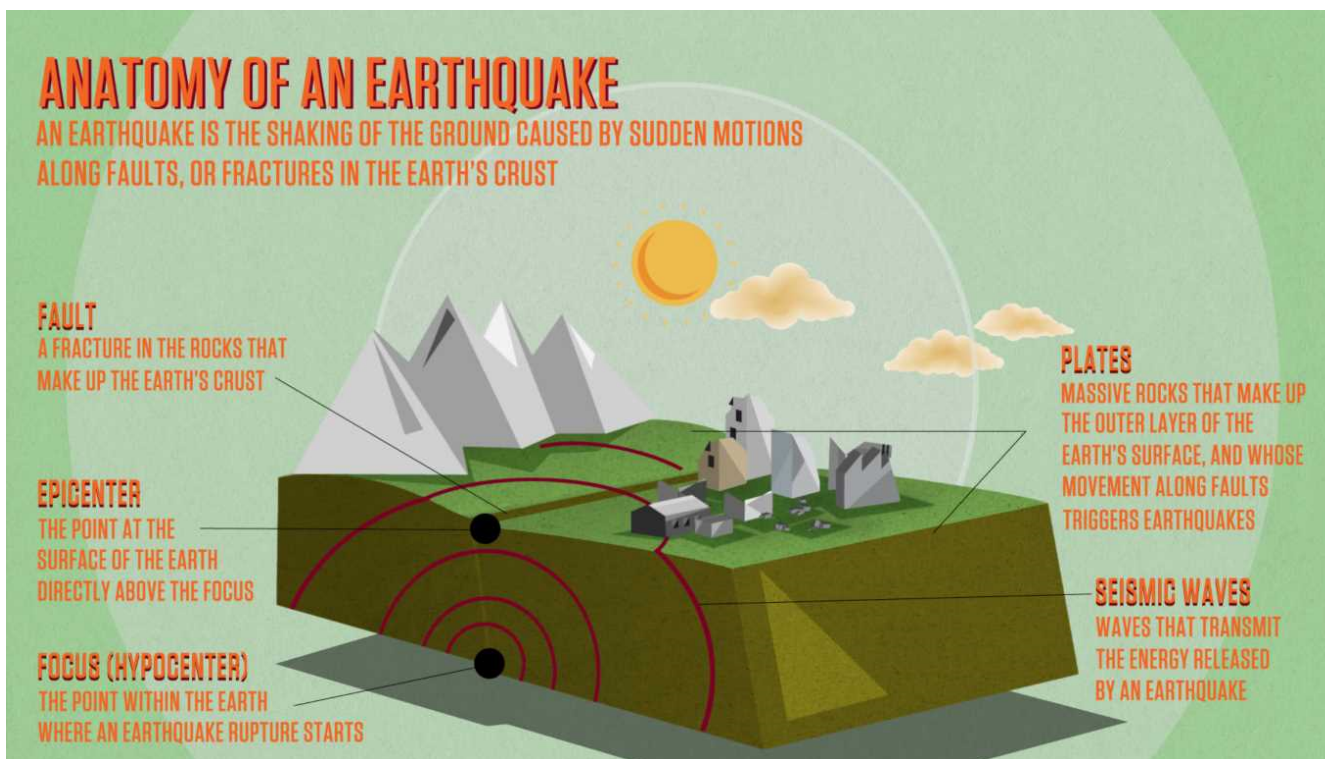
Which kind of seismic wave causes the most damage? why?

Learning Objectives:

I can create an instrument to measure a certain type of seismic wave.

I can identify different seismic waves and recreate their motion.

REVIEW



What are seismic waves?

Seismic waves are an elastic wave of energy produced from an impulse event like an earthquake triggering, volcano eruption, or explosion.

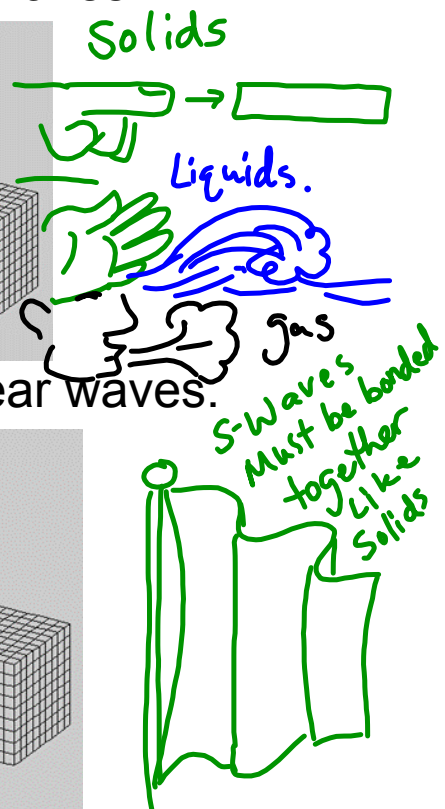
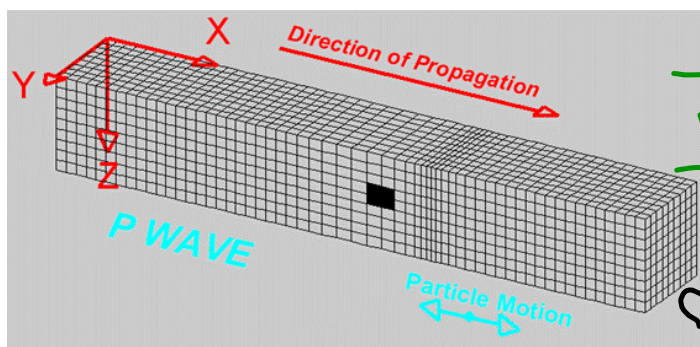
Seismic waves emanating from the focus can travel as body waves or surface waves.

Body waves travel in all directions from the focus through the body of the Earth

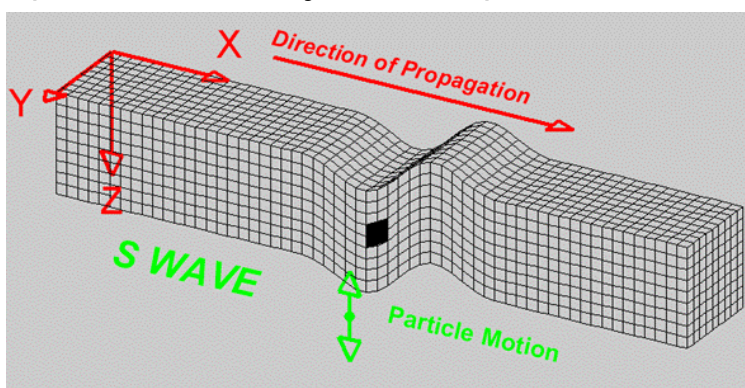
Surface waves are different from body waves because they don't travel through the Earth; instead they are constrained to travel along the surface of the Earth from the epicenter.

There are two types of body waves; Primary waves and Secondary.

P waves (or primary waves) travel with a velocity that depends on the elastic properties of the rock that they travel through. They are compression waves.



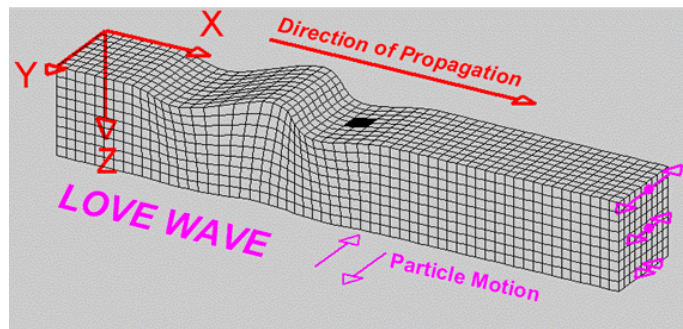
S waves (or secondary waves) are shear waves.



Surface Waves

Love Waves

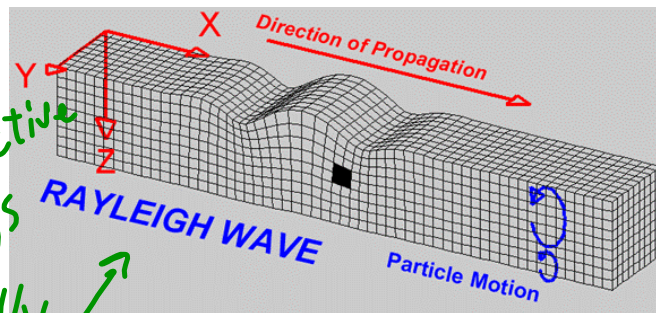
L waves sway side to side



Rayleigh Waves

R waves move forward and make a circular motion.

Surface waves are most destructive to buildings especially



Notice the Compression & Spreading that occurs as the wave moves thru the lines.

Do the Seismic Waves Dance!

