

## SOUND

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Sound is a form of energy which produces a sensation in our ears.

• Sound is produced by the vibrating objects or bodies.

eg: 1) When a drum is beaten, then the skin of drum vibrates and sound is produced.

2) Take a tuning fork. Hold it and strike its stem ~~at~~ with a rubber pad. We observe that the prongs of tuning fork vibrate and sound is produced.



## WAVE -

The movement of the disturbance through a medium due to repeated periodic motion of particles of medium about their mean positions is known as wave.

Periodic Motion - A motion which repeats itself after regular intervals of time.

# Types of wave

Mechanical Wave

Electromagnetic Wave

Matter Wave

It is a disturbance which requires a medium (Solid, liquid or gas)

eg: Sound wave, Water wave.

eg: Light wave

Does not require material medium

Transverse

They vibrate about their equilibrium position at right angles to direction of propagation.

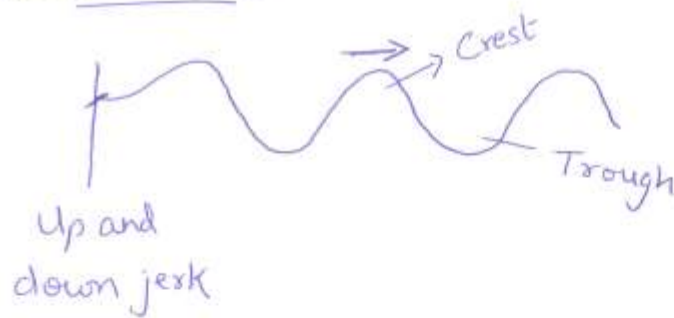
eg: Water wave, wave produced in stretched string.

Longitudinal

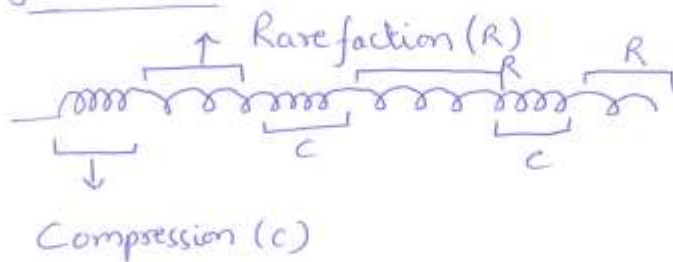
They vibrate to and fro about their equilibrium position along direction of propagation.

eg: Sound wave.

Transverse Wave -



Longitudinal Wave -



Compression (C) - The part of a medium where density is ~~medium~~ <sup>maximum</sup> (where particles are very close).

It is region of high pressure or high density.

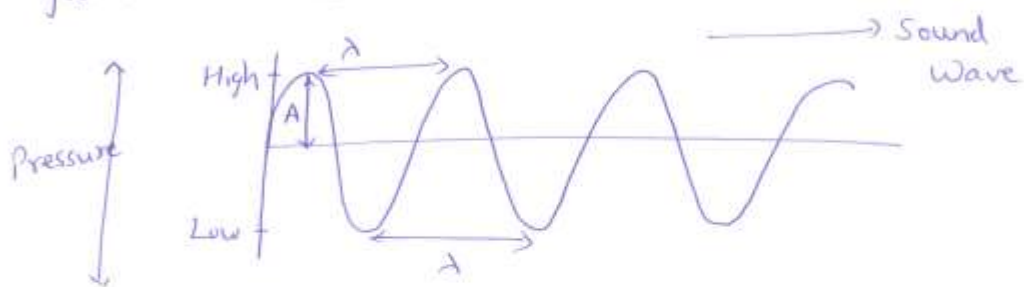
Rarefaction (R) - The part of a medium where density is minimum (where particles are very far apart).

It is region of low pressure or low density.

Sound needs a medium to travel.

### Characteristics of a Sound Wave -

When a sound wave travels through medium, then density or pressure of medium changes from maximum to minimum value and viceversa.



#### (i) Amplitude -

Maximum displacement of vibrating body from its mean position.

SI unit  $\Rightarrow$  metre (m)

Denoted by A.

#### (ii) Wavelength -

Distance between two consecutive crest or troughs.

Denoted by  $\lambda$  (Lambda).

SI unit  $\Rightarrow$  metre (m)

(iii) Frequency -

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Number of oscillations made by vibrating body in one second.

Denoted by -  $\nu$  (New)

SI unit - Hertz (Hz)

(iv) Time period -

Total time taken to complete one oscillation.

Denoted -  $T$

SI unit - second (s)

$$\text{Frequency} = \frac{1}{\text{Time period}}$$

$$\boxed{\nu = \frac{1}{T}}$$

Q. Freq. = 200 Hz. Calculate number of times, the source of sound vibrates in 60 sec. Also calculate Time period.

$$\rightarrow \nu = 200 \text{ Hz}$$

which means, sound vibrates 200 times in 1 sec.

ii, In 1 second = 200 vibrations

In 60 sec =  $200 \times 60$   
= 12000 vibrations

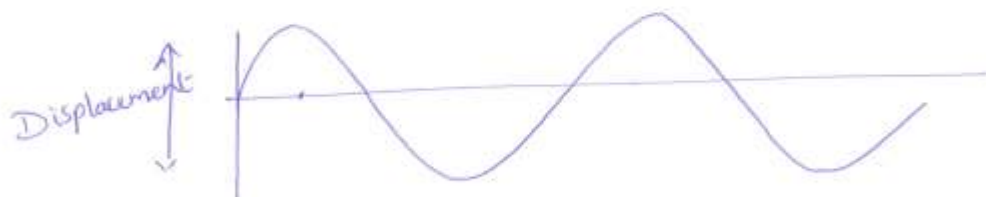
$$\text{Time period, } T = \frac{1}{\nu} = \frac{1}{200}$$
$$= 0.005 \text{ s} = 5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ sec}$$

(iv) Pitch or Shrillness -

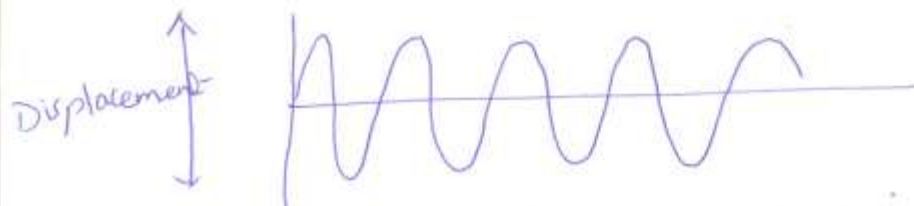
It depends on frequency.

High pitch = High frequency

Low pitch = Low frequency



Low frequency sound wave

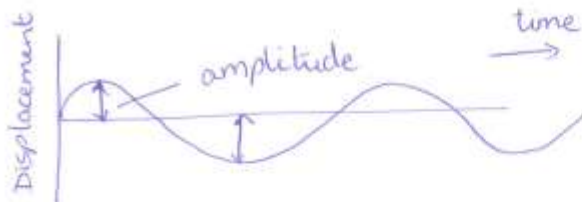


High frequency sound wave

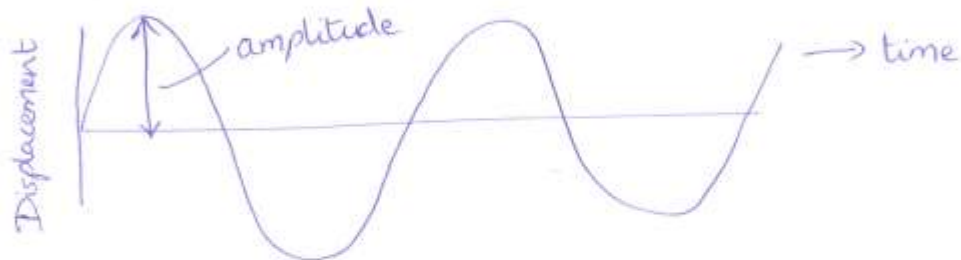
(v) Loudness -

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It depends on the amplitude of the vibrating body producing the sound.



Soft Sound (Small amplitude)



Loud Sound (Large amplitude)

(vi) Timbre or Quality -

This enables us to distinguish between the sound of same Loudness and pitch.

(vii) Intensity -

It is the sound energy transferred per unit time through a unit area placed perpendicular to the direction of the propagation of sound.

$$\text{Intensity} = \frac{\text{Sound energy}}{\text{Time} \times \text{Area}}$$

$$\text{SI unit} = \text{Joules } s^{-1} m^{-2} \quad \text{or} \\ \text{Watt } m^{-2}$$

$$(1 \text{ J } s^{-1} = 1 \text{ W})$$

Relation between Wave Speed, frequency and Wavelength

$$\text{Wave Speed} = \frac{\text{Distance travelled by wave}}{\text{Time taken}}$$

$$\text{Distance travelled} = \text{Wavelength } (\lambda)$$

$$\text{time taken} = T$$

$$\text{Wave Speed, } c = \frac{\lambda}{T} = \lambda \times \frac{1}{T}$$

$$\frac{1}{T} = \nu$$

$$\boxed{c = \nu \lambda}$$

$$\text{Units } \Rightarrow c = \text{m/s}$$

$$\nu = \text{Hz}$$

$$\lambda = \text{m}$$



Q. A bat can hear sound of frequency = 100 kHz. Find wavelength of sound wave. Speed of sound = 344 m/s. ⑤

→ Given,  $\nu = 100 \text{ kHz}$

$$c = 344 \text{ m/s}$$

$$c = \nu \lambda$$

$$\lambda = \frac{c}{\nu} = \frac{344 \text{ m/s}}{100 \text{ kHz}} = \frac{344 \text{ m/s}}{10^5 \text{ Hz}}$$

$$= 344 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{3.44 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}}}$$

Q. Calculate time period of sound wave of frequency 1000 Hz and wavelength 50 cm to travel a distance of 500 m.

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

$$\lambda = 50 \text{ cm} = 0.5 \text{ m}$$

$$S = 500 \text{ m}$$

$$c = \nu \lambda$$

$$= 1000 \times 0.5 = 500 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\text{Speed, } C = \frac{\text{distance}}{\text{time}} = \frac{S}{T}$$

$$T = \frac{S}{C} = \frac{500 \text{ m}}{500 \text{ m/s}} = 1 \text{ s}$$

Q. A hospital uses an ultrasonic scanner. Speed of sound is  $1.7 \text{ km/s}$ . Wavelength = ?

Operating frequency =  $4.2 \text{ MHz}$  ( $1 \text{ MHz} = 10^6 \text{ Hz}$ )

$$\rightarrow C = 1.7 \text{ km/s} = 1700 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\lambda = ?$$

$$\nu = 4.2 \times 10^6 \text{ Hz}$$

~~$$C = \nu \lambda \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{C}{\nu}$$~~

$$C = \nu \lambda$$

$$\lambda = \frac{C}{\nu} = \frac{1700}{4.2 \times 10^6} \\ = 4 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m} = 0.4 \text{ mm}$$

NOTE -

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Speed of Sound in Solid is highest.

Solid > Liquid > Gas.

Sound travels fast as temperature of medium increases.

Speed of Sound doesn't depend on pressure if temperature remains constant.

REFLECTION OF SOUND -

When a sound wave travelling in a medium bounces back to same medium after striking the second medium, reflection takes place.

ECHO -

Repetition of sound due to reflection of original sound by hard obstacle.

Echo can be heard only if minimum distance between source and obstacle is 17m.

## MULTIPLE ECHO -

When sound is reflected many times by an obstacle, multiple echoes are heard.

eg: , Dome shaped whispering gallery .

- 1) Sound produced between 2 distant hills or buildings .

## REVERBERATION -

Multiple reflection of sound produced even when the source stops producing sound .

Quality of sound can be improved by reverberation .

Reverberation Time - It is the time interval for which original sound appears to be prolonged .

How to decrease Reverberation -

- 1) Sound absorbing materials in auditorium
- 2) Windows covered by heavy curtains .
- 3) Padded seats
- 4) Acoustic tiles .

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## RANGE OF HEARING

INFRA SONIC



Sound below

20Hz .

These waves are produced by vibrations in earth's surface during earthquake.  
eg: Elephants, Whales, Rhinoceroses

ULTRASONIC



Sound above 20,000Hz .

These waves are not audible by human ear .

eg: Bats produce Ultrasonic by flapping their wings .

They can even detect these sound waves .

Dolphins can produce and detect ultrasound .

Audible range →  
20Hz to 20,000Hz

## Application of Ultrasound -

- 1) Used for Communication - eg: SONAR used to detect depth of a sea.

eg:  $S = v \left( \frac{t}{2} \right)$

$S$  = depth of sea

$v$  → speed of ultrasonic sound.

- 2) Used in Industries -

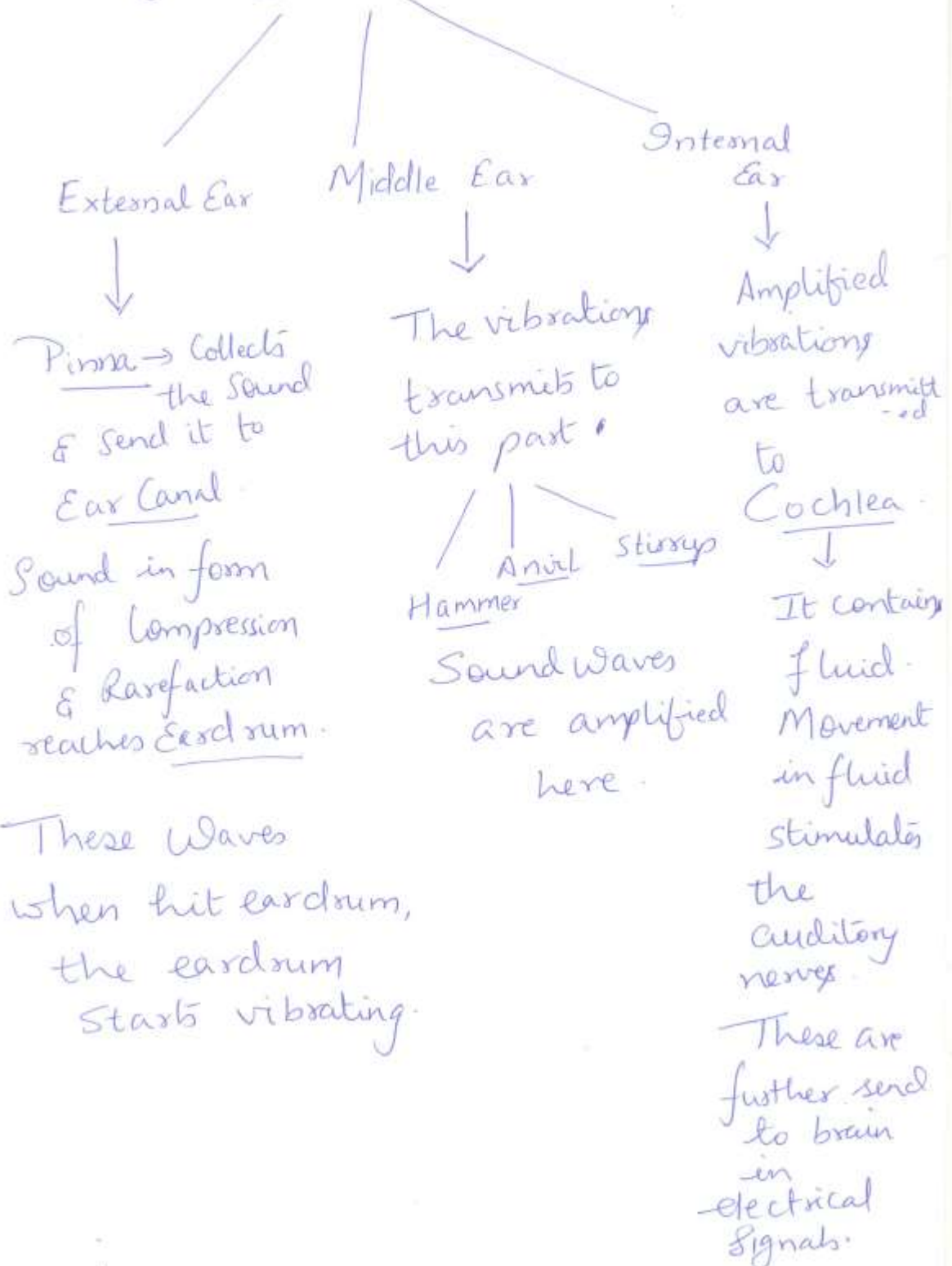
- Used to detect faults and cracks in metals.
- Used for welding plastic.

- 3) Medicinal Use -

- Used to Kill bacteria in liquids.
- Echocardiography (ECG)
- Used to detect kidney stones.

# Hearing Device (HUMAN EAR) -

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## NUMERICALS

1) An echo is heard when returns in 3 sec. What is distance of the reflecting surface from source, given speed of sound is 342 m/s.

→ Time taken to travel from source to reflecting surface,

$$t = \frac{3}{2} = 1.5 \text{ sec.}$$

$$\text{Speed, } v = 342 \text{ m/s}$$

Distance of reflecting surface from source,

$$S = v \times t$$

$$= 342 \times 1.5$$

$$= \underline{\underline{513 \text{ m}}}$$



2) A Sonar wave takes 1.02 sec to come back. If speed of sound is 1531 m/s. How far is the cliff? (9)

Ans  $\Rightarrow$  780.81 m

3) Why is speed of sound greater in solids than in gases?

$\rightarrow$  Because particles of solids are closer than that of gases.

4) Distinguish between longitudinal and transverse wave.

5) Explain how human ear works.