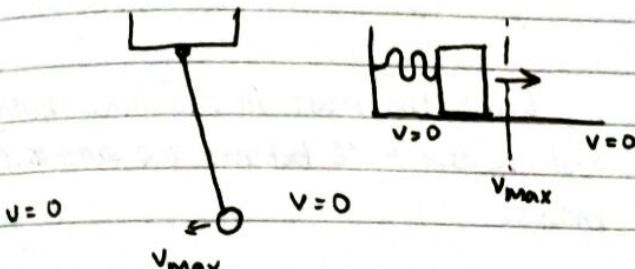


## 9.1 Simple Harmonic Motion

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## 1) Examples of oscillation

Oscillations are repeating vibrations.



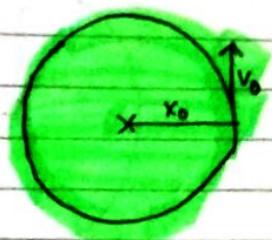
$$f = \frac{1}{T} \quad \text{Relation with T \& f.}$$

Frequency  $f$  - oscillations per second  
Period  $T$  - seconds per oscillations

2) Angular speed  $\omega$ Let's revisit UCM- Uniform Circular Motion  
(I know, it's circles, not waves)There is constant speed  $v_0$  and radius  $x_0$ 

$$a = \frac{v_0^2}{x_0}$$

$$a_c = \frac{v^2}{r}$$

If  $T$  is 12 sec.

$$\Rightarrow \omega = \frac{360^\circ}{12} = 30^\circ \text{ or } \frac{\pi}{6} \text{ radians}$$

Use this!

Angular speed is measured in Radians per second.

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} = \frac{\theta}{t} = 2\pi f \quad \text{Angular speed or angular frequency}$$

Example. Find the angular frequency of the second hand of a clock.

 $T = 60$  seconds

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{60} = \frac{\pi}{30} = 0.105 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$$

i) For rotation of Earth!

$$T = 86400 \text{ s}$$

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{86400} = 7.3 \times 10^{-5} \text{ rad s}^{-1}$$

That's why we can't feel it spinning.

An object travels at  $v_0$  <sup>speed</sup> in a circle of radius  $x_0$ . Period is  $T$ .a) Speed in terms of  $x_0$  and  $T$ .c) Find centripetal acc.  $a_c$  in  $x_0$  and  $\omega$ 

$$v_0 = \frac{2\pi x_0}{T}$$

$$a_c = \frac{v^2}{r} = \frac{v_0^2}{x_0}$$

b) Show that  $v_0 = x_0 \omega$ 

$$v_0 = \left(\frac{2\pi}{T}\right) x_0$$

$$v_0 = x_0 \omega$$

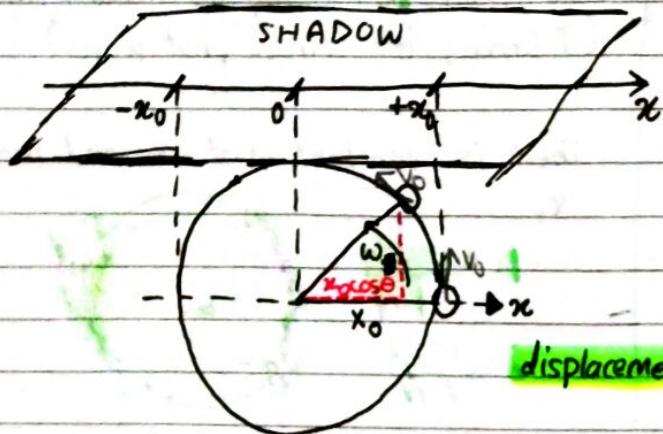
$$v = wr$$

$$a_c = \frac{(x_0 \omega)^2}{x_0}$$

$$a_c = \frac{x_0 \omega^2}{1} = x_0 \omega^2$$

3) Back to SHM! The defining equation of SHM is  $a = -\omega^2 x$

How does an oscillating spring relate to UCM?



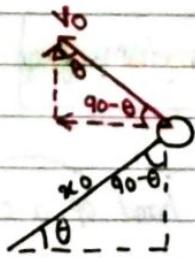
Like the mass in the mass-spring system, the ball behaves the same as it moves.

The shadow's displacement or horizontal displacement is  $x = x_0 \cos \theta$

$$\text{Since } \omega = \frac{\theta}{t}, \quad \theta = \omega t$$

Now,  $x = x_0 \cos \omega t$

Now, read carefully. The red triangle is taken down...



We can get the  $x$ -component of velocity. We use sign.

$$V = -V_0 \sin \theta$$

$$\theta = \omega t \text{ and } V_0 = x_0 \omega$$

$$V = -x_0 \omega \sin \omega t$$

(Negative because it points towards center, which is current to the left.)

$$a = -a_0 \cos \theta$$

$$\theta = \omega t \quad a_c = x_0 \omega^2$$

$$a = -x_0 \omega^2 \cos \omega t$$

$$\text{Since } x = x_0 \cos \omega t, \quad a = -\omega^2 x$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= x_0 \cos \omega t \\ v &= -x_0 \omega \sin \omega t \\ a &= -x_0 \omega^2 \cos \omega t \end{aligned}$$

The trig. is only to find  $x_0$  using  $x_0$  & radius angle.

Equations of simple harmonic motion

$x_0$  = max. displacement  
 $v_0$  = max. speed

Just differentiate!

These work when mass begins at  $x = +x_0$  at  $t = 0s$ . Like a  $\cos$  graph if talking about displacement. (When mass begins at  $x = 0$  at  $t = 0s$ .)

(KIRY)

Data booklet has highlighted formulas.

Now  $x = x_0 \cos \omega t$ ,  $v = -v_0 \sin \omega t$  and  $a = -x_0 \omega^2$

Square each side:

$$x^2 = x_0^2 \cos^2 \omega t$$

$$v^2 = (-v_0 \sin \omega t)^2 = v_0^2 \omega^2 \sin^2 \omega t$$

$$\sin^2 \omega t + \cos^2 \omega t = 1, \text{ Identity!}$$

So,

$$v^2 = x_0^2 \omega^2 (1 - \cos^2 \omega t)$$

$$v^2 = \omega^2 (x_0^2 - x^2)$$

$$\text{Remember: } x^2 = x_0^2 \cos^2 \omega t$$

$$v^2 = \omega^2 (x_0^2 - x^2), \text{ which becomes}$$

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$$v = \pm \omega \sqrt{x_0^2 - x^2}$$

Relation between  $x$  &  $v$ .

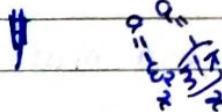
$$F = -kx$$

$$5g = -kx$$

$$g = -\frac{k}{m}x$$



#### 4) Solving SHM problems



A spring has spring constant  $125 \text{ Nm}^{-1}$ , is attached to  $5.0 \text{ kg}$  mass, stretched  $+4.0 \text{ m}$ , then released from rest.

a) Using Hooke's Law, show that mass-spring undergoes SHM with  $\omega^2 = \frac{k}{m}$

$$F = -kx$$

$$F = ma$$

$$ma = -kx$$

$$a = \left(-\frac{k}{m}\right)x$$

$$a = -\omega^2 x$$

$$\text{So, } \omega^2 = \frac{k}{m}$$

b) Angular frequency, frequency and period of oscillation

$$\omega^2 = \frac{k}{m}$$

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T}$$

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{125}{5}}$$

$$5T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega}$$

$$\omega = 5 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$$

$$T = \frac{2\pi}{5}$$

$$f = \frac{5}{2\pi}$$

$$T = 1.26 \text{ sec}$$

$$f = 0.80 \text{ Hz}$$

Therefore, undergoes SHM

c) Show that the position and velocity of the mass is given by  $x = 4 \cos 5t$  and that  $v = -20 \sin 5t$ .

Since it starts from max. displacement,

$$x = x_0 \sin \omega t$$

$$x_0 = 4, \omega = 5$$

$$x = 4 \cos 5t$$

$$v = -20 \sin 5t$$

d) Find position, velocity, acceleration of mass at  $t = 0.75 \text{ s}$ . Then find maximum KE.

$$x = 4 \cos 5(0.75) = -3.3 \text{ m}, v = -20 \sin 5(0.75) = -11 \text{ m s}^{-1}, a = -\omega^2 x_0 \cos \omega t = -100 \cos(5)(0.75) = 82 \text{ m s}^{-2}$$

c) Derive formulae for position and velocity.

$$x = x_0 \cos \omega t$$

$$x_0 = 4 \text{ m} \quad \omega = 5 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$$

$$x = 4 \cos 5t$$

$$v = -\omega x_0 \sin \omega t$$

$$v = -20 \sin 5t$$

d) Find the position, velocity, acceleration at  $t = 0.75 \text{ s}$ . Find max. kinetic energy.

$$x = 4 \cos 5(0.75)$$

$$= -3.3 \text{ m}$$

$$v = -20 \sin 5t$$

$$v = 11 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

$$a = -\omega^2 x$$

$$a = -25(-3.3)$$

$$= 83 \text{ m s}^{-2}$$

$$v_0 = -\omega x_0 (\sin \theta = 1)$$

$$v_0 = -5 \times 4 = -20 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

$$KE = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times 5 \times 400 = 1000 \text{ J}$$

## 5) The period of a mass-spring system

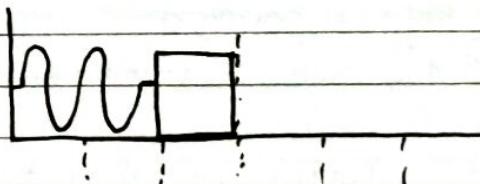
Since  $\omega^2 = \frac{k}{m}$  for a mass-spring system and  $\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T}$  for any system,

we can write

$$T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega}$$

$$T = \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}}$$

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}$$



$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}$	Period of a mass-spring system
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Practice: Find period of 25 kg mass placed in oscillation on end of a spring having  $k = 150 \text{ N m}^{-1}$ .

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{25}{150}} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{1}{6}} = \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{6}} \approx 2.6 \text{ sec}$$

6) The period of a simple pendulum

For a simple pendulum of length  $L$ ,  
 $\omega = \sqrt{\frac{g}{L}}$  (without proof)

Then,  $T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega}$   
 $= \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{\frac{g}{L}}}$

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{L}{g}}$$



$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{L}{g}}$	Period of a simple pendulum
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Practice. Find period of 25 kg mass placed in oscillation on the end of a 1.75m string.

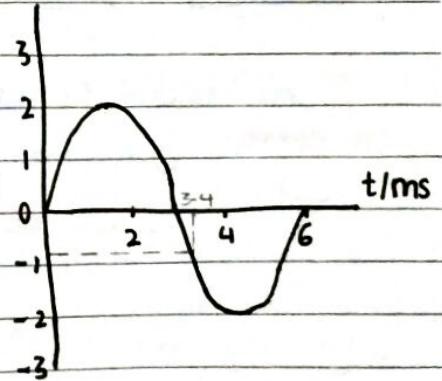
$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{L}{g}} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{1.75}{9.8}} = 2.7 \text{ sec}$$

7) Solving problems graphically and by calculationa) Period, angular velocity and frequency?

$$\text{Period} = 6 \text{ ms} = 0.006 \text{ s} = 6 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}$$

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{6} = 1.05 \text{ rad ms}^{-1} = 1050 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$$

$$f = \frac{1}{6 \times 10^{-3}} = 170 \text{ Hz}$$

b) Velocity and acceleration at  $t = 3.45$ 

$$V = \pm \omega \sqrt{x_0^2 - x^2}$$

$$V = \pm 1050 \sqrt{0.002^2 - (-0.8)(-0.008)^2}$$

$$V = -1.89 \text{ ms}^{-1} \quad (\text{negative because slope is negative})$$

$$a = -\omega^2 x = -(1050)^2 \times (-0.0008)$$

$$a = 882 \text{ ms}^{-2} = 880 \text{ ms}^{-2}$$

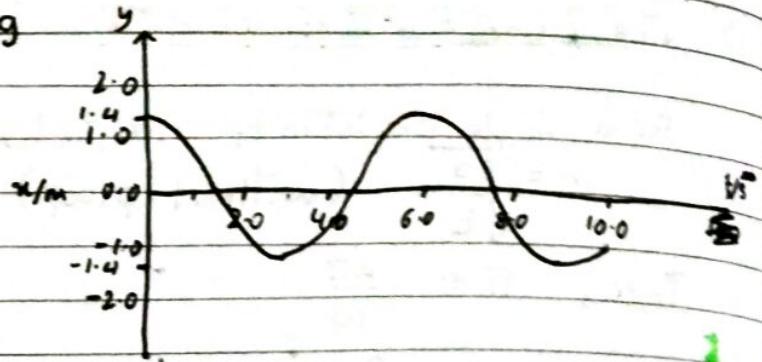
Q) Displacement-time graph for 2.5 kg mass is shown.

a) Period,  $\omega$  and  $v_{max}$ .

$$T = 6 \text{ sec}$$

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{6} = 1.04 = 1.0 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$$

$$v_{max} = 1.04 \times 1.4 = 1.5 \text{ m s}^{-1} \quad v_{max} = \omega x_0$$



b) Find force on the mass at  $t = 3.5$ . Then find its velocity at that instant.

$$F = Ma$$

$$a = -\omega^2 x$$

$$x = -1.4$$

$$a = -1.04^2 \times -1.4$$

$$a = 1.5 \text{ m s}^{-2}$$

$$F = 1.5 \times 2.5 = 3.8 \text{ N}$$

$$v = \pm \omega \sqrt{x_0^2 - x^2}$$

$$v = \pm 1.04 \sqrt{1.4^2 - (-1.4)^2}$$

$$v = \pm 1.04 \sqrt{0}$$

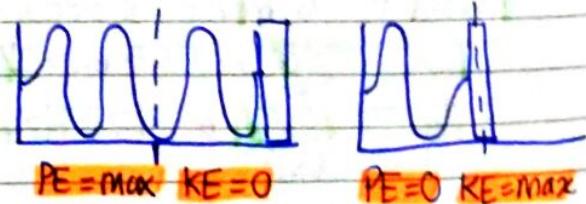
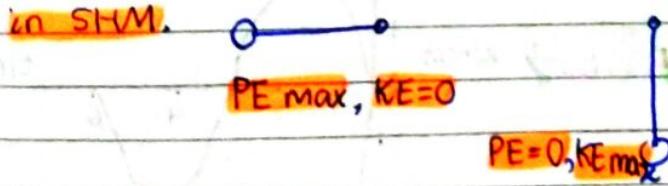
$$v = 0 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

Haha, makes sense!

So far, everything is understandable if you read properly!

3) Energy changes during SHM

A continuous exchange between potential energy and kinetic energy occurs in SHM.



The sum of  $E_p$  and  $E_k$  is constant, if friction and drag are both 0.

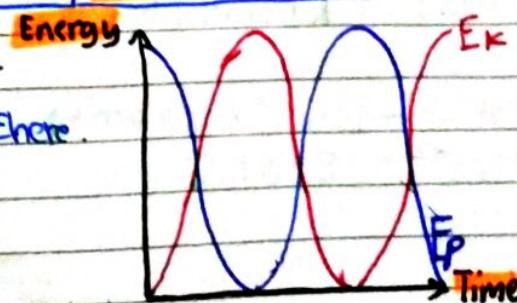
$$E_k + E_p = E_T = \text{CONST}$$

Relation between  $E_k$  and  $E_p$

This is the Energy-time graph.

The SHM starts with max PE here.

It can start with



Remember:  $v = \pm \omega \sqrt{x_0^2 - x^2}$

$$\text{Then, } v^2 = \omega^2 (x_0^2 - x^2)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{1}{2}m\omega^2 (x_0^2 - x^2)$$

$$KE = \frac{1}{2}m\omega^2 (x_0^2 - x^2)$$

$$E_K = \frac{1}{2}m\omega^2 (x_0^2 - x^2)$$

Relation between  $E_K$  and  $x$

In data booklet

Remember  $v_{\max} = v_0 = \omega x_0$

So,

$$E_{K\max} = \frac{1}{2}m\omega^2 (x_0^2)$$

$$E_T = E_{K\max} = \frac{1}{2}m\omega^2 x_0^2$$

Relation  $E_{K\max}$  and  $x_0$   
 $E_{K\max} = E_T$

In data booklet.

Basically  $E_{K\max}$  is Total energy because  $E_p$  is 0 when  $E_K$  is max.

Example. A 3.00 kg mass undergoes SHM with period 6.00 s. Amplitude is 4.00 m.

a) Maximum kinetic energy and what is  $x$  when this occurs?

$$E_{K\max} = \frac{1}{2}m\omega^2 x_0^2$$

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T}$$

$$\omega = \frac{\pi}{3} \text{ rad s}^{-1}$$

$$E_{K\max} = \frac{1}{2}(3.00)\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)^2(4)^2$$

$$= 26.3 \text{ J, when } x=0$$

b) What is  $E_p$  when  $E_K$  is max. and what is the total energy of the system?

$$E_p = 0 \text{ J}$$

$$E_T = 26.3 \text{ J}$$

c) What is  $E_p$  when kinetic energy is 15.0 J?

$$E_p = E_T - E_K$$

$$= 26.3 - 15.0$$

$$= 11.3 \text{ J}$$

$$E_{K\max} = E_T$$

$$E_T = \frac{1}{2}m\omega^2 x_0^2$$

Relation between  $E_T$  and  $x_0$

$$E_K = \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 (x_0^2 - x^2)$$

$$E_K = \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x_0^2 - \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x^2$$

$$E_K = E_T - \boxed{\frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x^2} \text{ must be } E_P$$

$$E_P = \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x^2 = \frac{1}{2} k x^2$$

Potential energy  $E_P$

Not in data booklet!

### Example

3.00

3 kg mass undergoes SHM with period 6.00 s. Amplitude is 4.00 m.

Find  $E_K$ ,  $E_P$  when  $x = 2.00 \text{ m}$ . Find  $E_K$  at  $x = 2.00 \text{ m}$ .

$$E_P = \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x^2$$

$$m = 3 \text{ kg}$$

$$T = 6$$

$$x_0 = 4$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (3) \left(\frac{2\pi}{6}\right)^2 (2)^2$$

$$E_P = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2\pi}{6}\right)^2 (2^2)$$

$$= (1.5)(4) \left(\frac{4\pi^2}{36}\right)$$

$$E_P = 6.58 \text{ J}$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \times 4\pi^2$$

$$E_K = \frac{1}{2} (3) \left(\frac{2\pi}{6}\right)^2 (4^2 - 2^2)$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \pi^2 = 6.58 \text{ J}$$

$$E_K = 19.7 \text{ J}$$

$$E_K = \frac{1}{2} (3) \left(\frac{2\pi}{6}\right)^2 (16) - 6.58$$

$$= 24 \left(\frac{\pi^2}{9}\right)$$

$$= 26.3 \text{ J} - 6.58$$

$$= 19.7 \text{ J}$$

Practice. A. 2.00 kg mass undergoes SHM with period 1.75 s.

a) What is total energy of system?  $x_0 = 3 \text{ m}$ .

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} = \frac{2\pi}{1.75} = 3.59 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$a) E = \frac{1}{2} (2) \left(\frac{2\pi}{1.75}\right)^2 (9)$$

$$E = 116 \text{ J}$$

$$E_T = \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x_0^2$$

$$E_P = \frac{1}{2} (2) \left(\frac{2\pi}{1.75}\right)^2 (2.5^2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (2) (3.59)^2 (3)^2 = 116 \text{ J}$$

$$E_P = 80.6 \text{ J}$$

b) What is  $E_P$  when  $x = 2.50 \text{ m}$ ?

$$E_P = \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (2) (3.59)^2 (2.5)^2 = 80.6 \text{ J}$$

Practice.

2 kg mass undergoes SHM.

a) Total energy of the system?

$$E_T = \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x_0^2$$

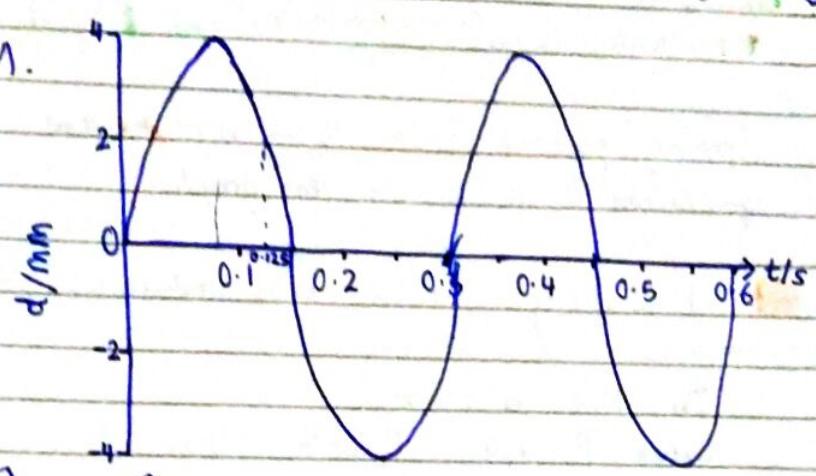
~~$\frac{1}{2}(2)^2$~~

$$T = 0.3\text{s}$$

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{0.3} \text{ rad s}^{-1}$$

$$x_0 = 0.4\text{cm} = 0.004\text{m}$$

$$E_T = \frac{1}{2} (2) \left(\frac{2\pi}{0.3}\right)^2 (0.004)^2 \\ = 0.007\text{ J}$$



① Sketching and determining graphs of SHM

b)  $P_E$  at  $t = 0.125\text{s}$ ?

$$x = 0.002\text{m}$$

$$P_E = \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (2) \left(\frac{2\pi}{0.3}\right)^2 (0.002)^2$$

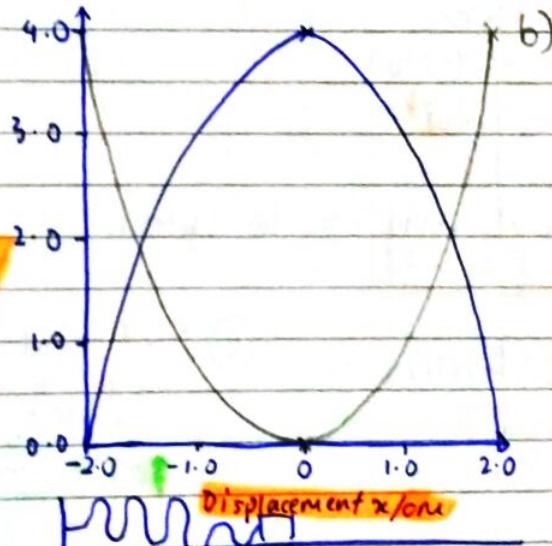
$$= 0.002\text{ J}$$

c)  $E_K$  at  $t = 0.125\text{s}$

$$E_K = E_T - E_P$$

$$E_K = 0.007 - 0.002$$

$$E_K = 0.005\text{ J}$$



a) Determine max. velocity of the mass.

$$KE = 4 = \frac{1}{2} M V^2$$

$$\frac{8}{0.125} = V^2 = 64$$

$$V = 8\text{ m/s} \approx 8.0\text{ m/s}$$

b) Sketch  $E_p$  and determine  $E_T$  in system.

$$E_T = 4.0\text{ J}$$

c) Determine spring constant  $k$  of the spring.

$$E_P = \frac{1}{2} k x_0^2$$

$$\frac{1}{2} k x_0^2 = 4\text{ J}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} k (0.004)^2 = 4\text{ J}$$

$$(k) 0.008 = 8\text{ J}$$

$$k = 20000\text{ N/m}^{-1}$$

d) Determine acc. at  $x = 1.0\text{cm}$  of the mass.

$$F = -kx = ma$$

$$20000 \times 0.01 = 0.125a$$

$$\frac{200}{0.125} = a$$

$$a = 1600\text{ m/s}^2$$

Example. 4.0 kg mass is placed on a spring's end and displaced 2.0 m to the right.

Spring force  $F$  vs its displacement  $x$  from equilibrium is shown on the graph.

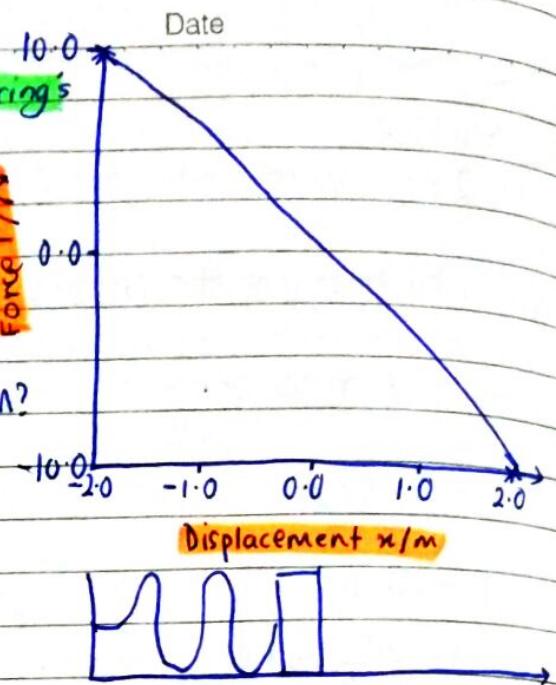
a) How do you know mass undergoes SHM?

In SHM  $a \propto -x$

Since  $F = ma$ ,  $F \propto -x$  also.

The graph shows  $F \propto -x$ ,

Thus it is in SHM.



b) Find spring constant of the spring.

When  $x = -2.0$

$$F = -kx$$

$$10 = -k(-2.0)$$

$$k = 5 \text{ N m}^{-1}$$

c) Find Max. speed of mass.

$$\frac{1}{2}mv_{\max}^2 = E_T$$

$$\frac{1}{2}mv_{\max}^2 = 10 \text{ J}$$

$$mv_{\max}^2 = 20$$

$$v_{\max}^2 = 5$$

$$v = \sqrt{5} = 2.2 \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

d) Find total energy of the system.

$$E_T = \frac{1}{2}kx_0^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(5)(4)$$

$$= 10 \text{ J}$$

e) Find speed of mass when displacement is 1.0 m.

$$E_T = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 + \frac{1}{2}kx^2$$

$$10 = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 + 2.5(1)$$

$$7.5 = \frac{1}{2}(4)v^2$$

$$3.75 = v^2$$

$$v = 1.9 \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

## Topic 9.2 Single-slit diffraction

All this is for single-slit.

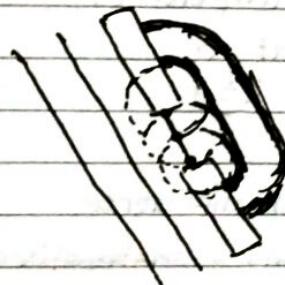
### 1) Diffraction through a single-slit and around objects

If the aperture or hole is much larger than the wavelength, diffraction is minimal.

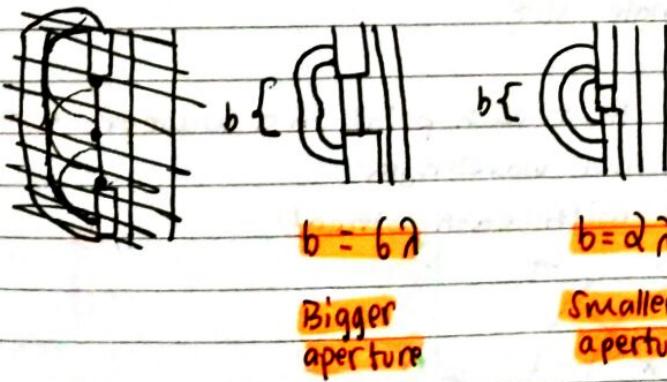
Diffraction happens within the medium.

Diffraction is the spreading out of waves by passing through a narrow aperture or across an edge.

Huygen's principle: Every point on a wavefront emits a spherical wavelet of the same velocity and wavelength as the original wave.  
This is why waves turn corners.



The smaller the aperture, the more pronounced the diffraction effect.



The aperture size must be in order of the wavelength.

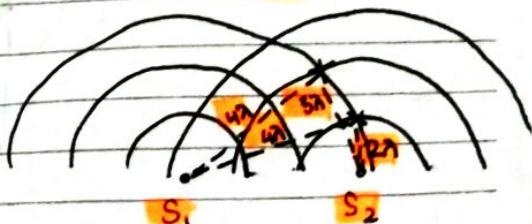
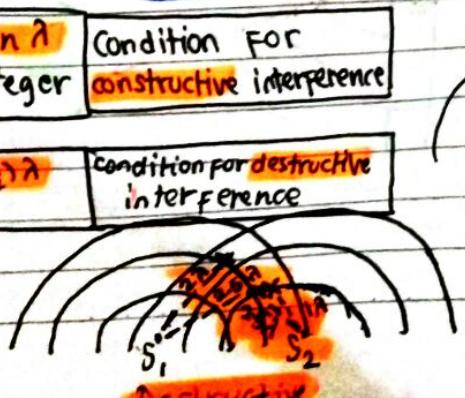
### 2) Path difference

Coherent means in phase and same frequency.

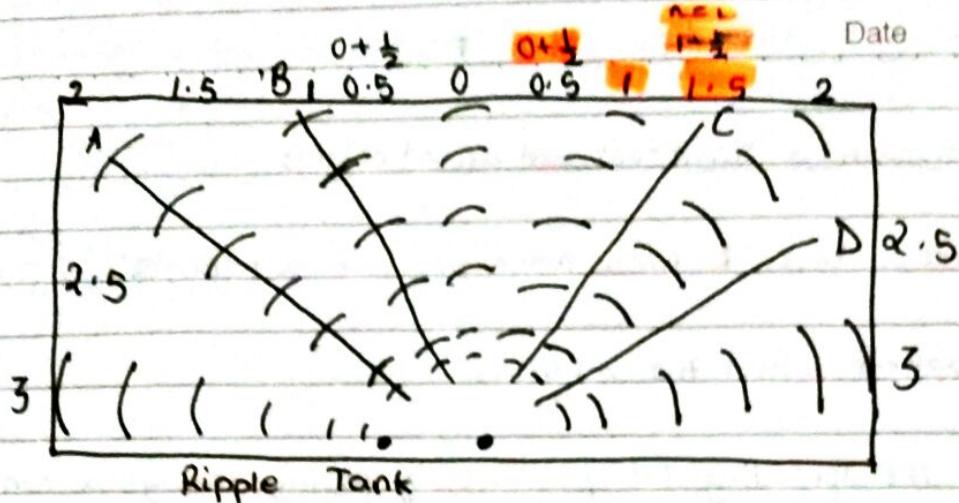
Constructive

Path difference = $n\lambda$ n is an integer	Condition for constructive interference
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Path difference = $(n + \frac{1}{2})\lambda$ n is an integer	Condition for destructive interference
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DESTRUCTIVE



A and B are constructive interference.

$n = 1$  in B and  $n = 2$  in A

$n\lambda$  = Path difference.

C and D are destructive interference.

$n = 1$  at C and  $n = 2$  at D.

$1 + \frac{1}{2} = 1\frac{1}{2}\lambda$  and  $2 + \frac{1}{2} = 2\frac{1}{2}\lambda$

$1.5\lambda$  and  $2.5\lambda$  are path difference.

So, ~~at first~~, <sup>minimum</sup>  $n=0$  for one constructive and 2 destructive there. <sup>maximum</sup>

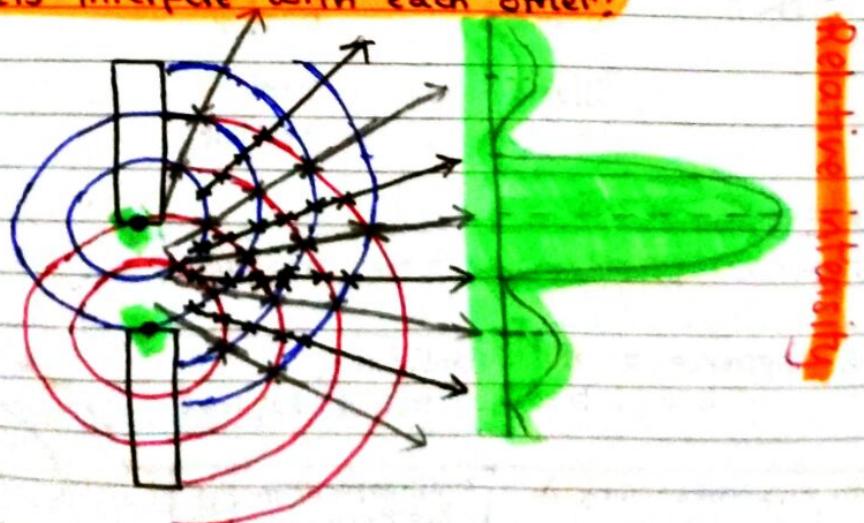
### 3) Diffraction through a single slit

Huygen's principle states that each point on a wavefront emits a spherical wavelet of the same velocity and wavelength.

These wavelets interfere with each other!

✗ destructive interference

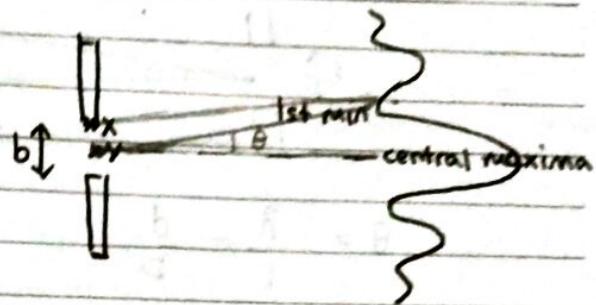
✗ constructive interference



## Formula derivation

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Consider slit of width  $b$ .



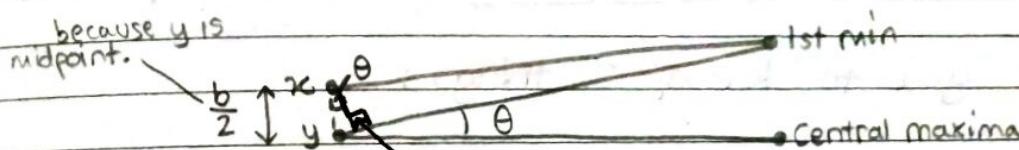
At the central maximum, all wavelets travel same distance, so constructive interference. No path difference.

Consider slit points  $X$  at one edge and  $y$  at the center:

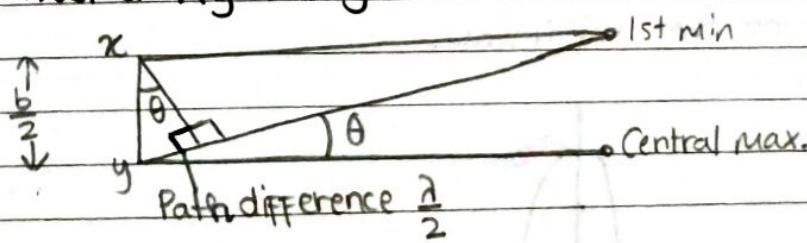
At 1st minimum, path difference is  $\frac{\lambda}{2}$ . Destructive interference.

$y$  is the reference line.  $\theta$  is angle between reference and 1st minimum.

Looks like this :



Construct a right angle.



$$\text{We see that } \sin \theta = \frac{\frac{\lambda}{2}}{\frac{b}{2}}$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{\lambda}{b}$$

Recall that  $\theta$  is very small (in radians), so  $\sin \theta \approx \theta$  (in rad)

$\theta = \frac{\lambda}{b}$	Location of first minimum in single slit diffraction
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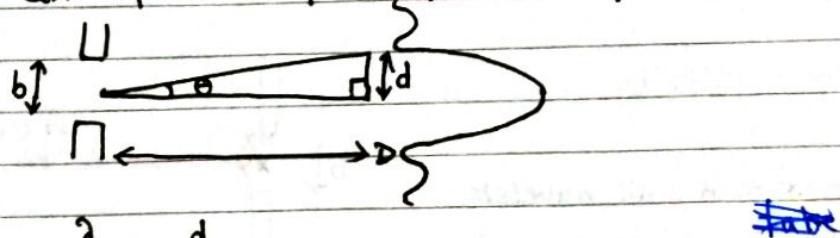
$$\theta = \frac{\lambda}{b} = \frac{s}{D}$$

$$\theta = \frac{\frac{\lambda}{2}}{b} = \frac{\frac{\lambda}{2}}{D} = \frac{s}{2D}$$

Q a) Explain qualitatively, the intensity distribution in single-slit diffraction.

Ans. It is caused by path length difference and interference. When PLD is 0, there is central maxima, constructive interference. When PLD is  $\lambda, 2\lambda, 3\lambda, \dots$ , these are smaller maxima caused constructively. 1st minimum is at PLD  $\frac{\lambda}{2}$ . 2nd min is  $\frac{3\lambda}{2}$ . This is destructive interference.

b) Derive an expression for half-width of central maxima.



$$\theta = \frac{\lambda}{b} = \frac{d}{D}$$

$$\frac{\lambda}{b} = \frac{d}{D}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}s = d = \frac{\lambda D}{b}$$

$$s = \frac{2\pi D}{b}$$

$$\frac{\lambda}{b} = \frac{s}{2} \quad \text{And } s = \frac{2\pi D}{b}$$

The formula is  ~~$\frac{\lambda D}{b}$~~  in formula booklet. Same thing.

Remember, in  $s = \frac{\lambda D}{b}$ ,  $s$  is distance between central & first maxima.

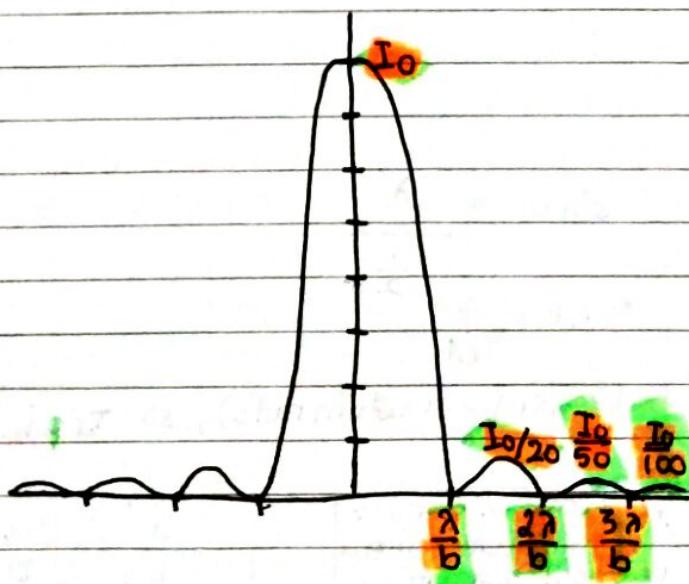
Here, we aren't talking about this. This formula is Young's double slit experiment.

#### 4) Intensity of a single-slit diffraction pattern

IBO expects you to know 2 things:

- the relative intensities of the maxima.
- the positioning of the minima.

Here it is:

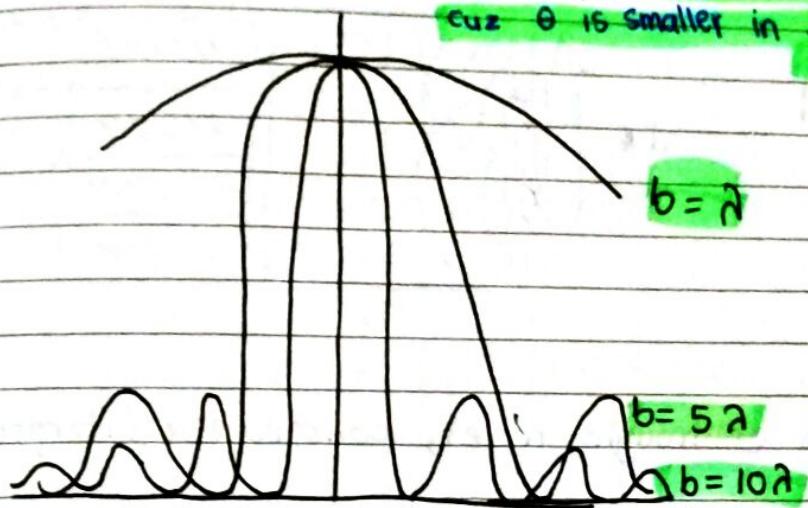


5) Changing b:

The shape of the diffraction pattern depends on the ratio of the slit width  $b$  to the wavelength  $\lambda$ .  $\frac{\lambda}{b} = \theta$  or ~~the distance between central maxima and minima.~~

The bigger the  $b$ , the closer the maxima and mins.

euz  $\theta$  is smaller in  $\frac{\lambda}{b}$



The smaller the  $\lambda$  is, the closer the maxima & minima also.

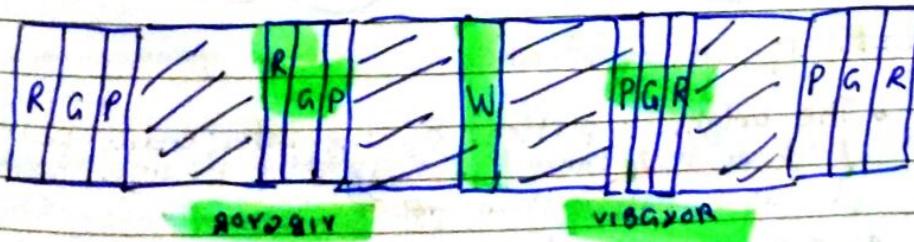
So, when  $\theta$  is smaller, the maxima and minima are closer.

Purple light,  $b = 10\lambda$

Green light,  $b = 5\lambda$

Red light,  $b = \lambda$

So, when white light is projected through a single slit, central maxima is white, then in ~~first~~ other maxima- purple is first, closest to center, green second and red third

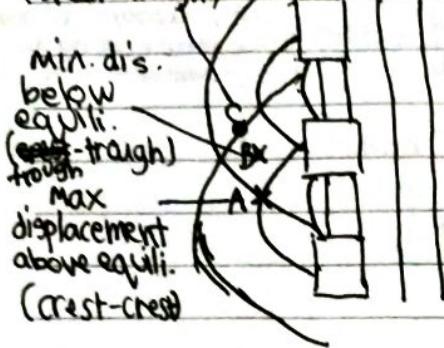


### 9.3 Interference

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#### 1) Double slit interference

No displacement  
(crest-trough)

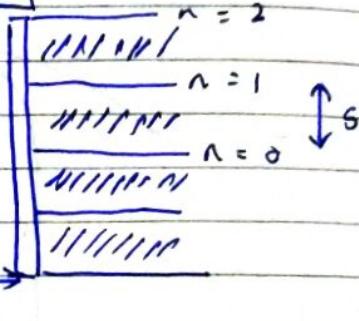
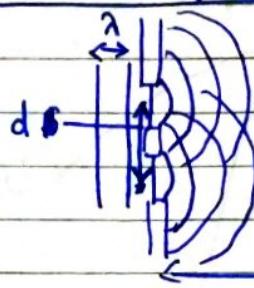


This was discovered by Thomas Young in 1801.

$$s = \frac{\lambda D}{d}$$

Young's double slit experiment

$s$  = distance between maxima,  
 $d$  = slit spacing



When 2 crests or troughs meet, constructive interference.

When a crest and trough meets, destructive interference.

Example. Coherent light with wavelength  $675\text{nm}$  is incident on opaque card having 2 vertical slits separated by  $1.25\text{mm}$ . Screen  $4.50\text{m}$  away from card. What is the distance between central and first maximum?

$$\lambda = 675 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}$$

$$d = 0.00125 \text{ m}$$

$$D = 4.50 \text{ m}$$

$$s = \frac{\lambda D}{d} = \frac{675 \times 10^{-9} \times 4.5}{0.00125}$$

$$s = 2.47 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}$$

#### 2) Double-slit interference - intensity

- The brightest portions of the interference patterns are brighter than those in single slit because there are 2 sources, rather than one.
- It turns out that if  $N$  is the number of slits, and  $I_1$  is the intensity of the single-slit central maximum, then,

$$I_N = N^2 I_1$$

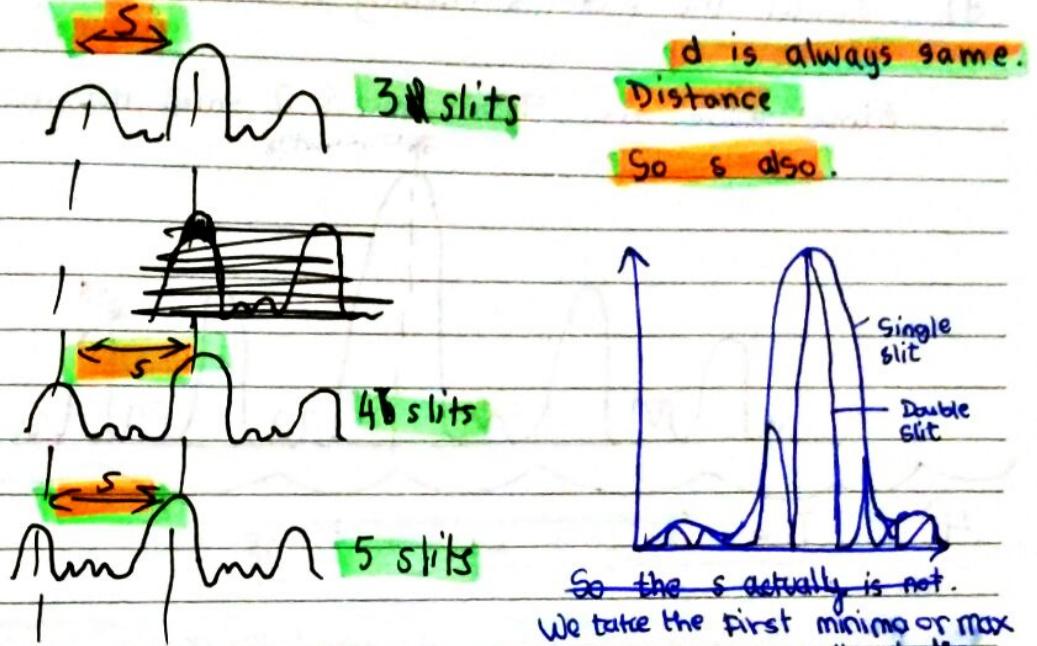
Intensity of central maximum for  $N$  slits

Not in Data Booklet

So for 2 slits, intensity of central maxima would be  $4I_0$ .

### 3) Multiple-slit interference

The separation  $s = \frac{\lambda D}{d}$  between maxima remains even when the number of slits multiply.



The intensity increases as slits increase. More light gets through. Narrower/sharper maxima.

We take the first minima or max as the single slit pattern one. Not the smaller narrow fringes.

#### Example

a) Light with  $\lambda = 675 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}$  is projected onto four vertical slits equally spaced at  $16.875 \mu\text{m}$  between slits. Slit widths are  $6.75 \mu\text{m}$ . The resulting diffraction pattern is projected on a wall that is 50cm away from slits.

b) Find the separation between bright points in the pattern.

$$s = \frac{(16.875 \times 10^{-6} + 6.75 \times 10^{-6})(675 \times 10^{-9})(5)}{6.75 \times 10^{-6}} = \frac{(675 \times 10^{-9})(5)}{0.000023625} = 0.2 \text{ m}$$

Solution

$$s = \frac{\lambda D}{d} = \frac{675 \times 10^{-9} \times 5}{16.875 \times 10^{-6}}$$

$$s = 0.2 \text{ m} = 0.200 \text{ m}$$

b) Determine the width of the brightest central region of the pattern.

$$\theta = \frac{2\lambda}{b} = \frac{d}{D}$$

$$d = 2\lambda D$$

$$d = \frac{675 \times 10^{-9} \times 2 \times 5}{6.75 \times 10^{-6}}$$

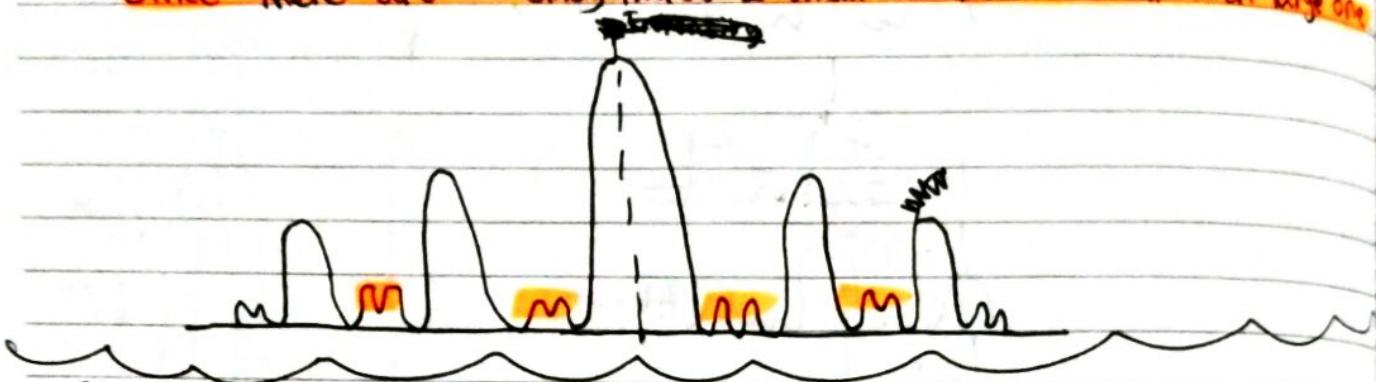
$$d = 1 \text{ m} = 1.00 \text{ m}$$

c) Approximately how many bright points will fit in this central region?

$$\frac{1}{0.2} = 5 \text{ points}$$

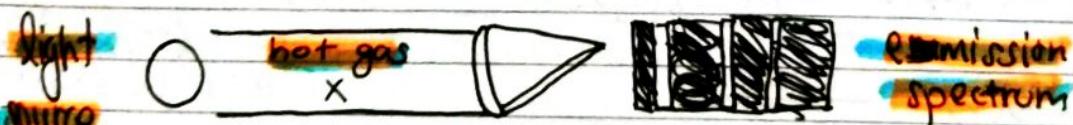
d) Sketch the pattern's intensity in the region of the central maximum.

Since there are 4 slits, there's 2 small maxima between each large one.



#### 4) The diffraction grating

- Diffraction gratings are used to make optical spectra.



Important!

- A typical diffraction grating has large parallel lines, etched in a glass or plastic substrate through which light passes or is reflected from.
- Different wavelengths are differently diffracted at different angles producing interference maxima at angles  $\theta$  given by

$$n\lambda = d \sin \theta$$

diffraction grating maxima locations

$n = \text{order of maxima}$

$n=0$  is central Max.  $n=1$  is on either side of central max.

$d$  is the distance between lines

$\theta = \text{angle of maximum}$

**Example**

A diff. grating has 750 lines per mm is illuminated by a monochromatic light, normal to the grating. Third order max. observed at  $56^\circ$  to the straight-through direction. Determine wavelength of the light.

$$n\lambda = d \sin \theta$$

$$3\lambda = \frac{1}{75000} \sin 56^\circ$$

750000 lines per m

$$\text{Distance between lines} = \frac{1}{750000}$$

$$n\lambda = d \sin \theta$$

$$3\lambda = \frac{1}{750000} \sin 56^\circ$$

$$\lambda = \frac{\sin 56^\circ}{2250000}$$

$$\lambda = 3.7 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$$

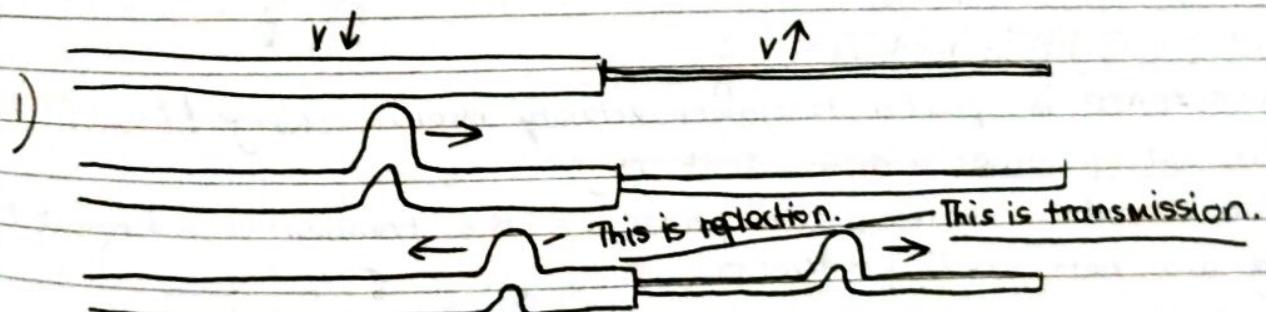
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$$\lambda = \frac{\sin 56^\circ}{2250000}$$

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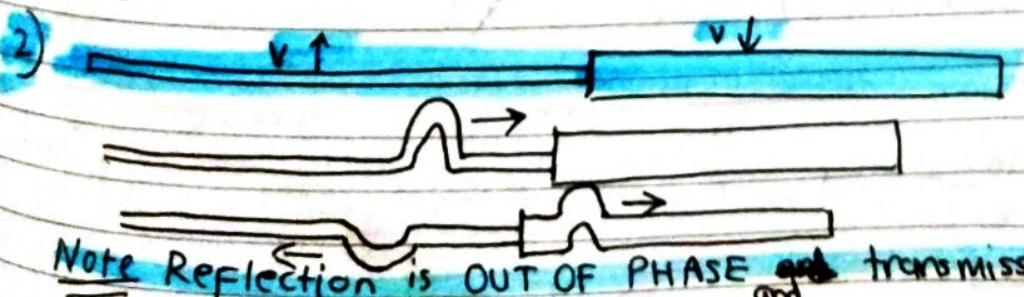
## 5) Thin film interference

First, understand how waves are reflected at the boundary of a heavy and light rope.



Note the reflection is IN PHASE and transmission also IN PHASE.

Note, velocity  $v$  is less in heavy rope than in light rope.



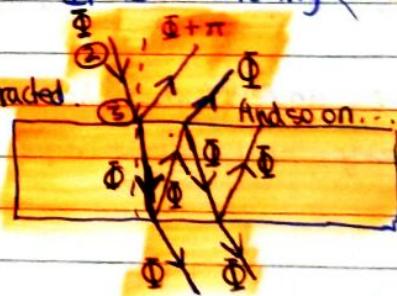
Note Reflection is OUT OF PHASE and transmission still IN PHASE.

- Three properties to learn from this:

- If a wave enters a boundary from a <sup>slower</sup> <sub>faster</sub> medium, it will reflect <sup>IN</sup> phase. Just like case 1).
- If a wave enters a boundary from a faster wave speed medium, it reflects OUT OF PHASE. Just like case 2).
- In any case, transmitted wave is always <sup>through the boundary</sup> IN PHASE with the original pulse.

With these 3 properties, you can solve all thin film interference problems.

- Consider a thin film of thickness  $d$  <sup>of glass</sup> with refractive index  $n$ .
- Light of wavelength  $\lambda$  is normally incident on film. It is shown at a slight angle to show the reflection and refraction. It is actually at  $90^\circ$  to film.
- At top surface, some light is reflected & some refracted.
- This happens at each subsequent surface.

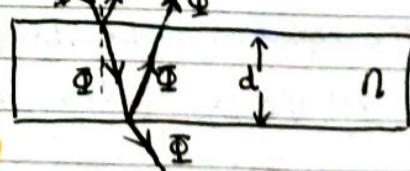


- Speed of light in air =  $c$

$$\text{Speed of light in medium} = \frac{c}{n}$$

- TOP SURFACE is faster to slower velocity medium change! So, reflected ray is out of phase with incident ray.
- Once inside medium, the phase of the transmitted and reflected ray are both NOT CHANGED. They stay  $\Phi$

- In this diagram, light travels distance  $2d$  INSIDE the film.



REMEMBER! Angle of incidence is actually  $0^\circ$ .

- Speed in medium =  $\frac{\text{speed in vacuum}}{n} = \frac{c}{n}$  Speed =  $\frac{\text{distance}}{\text{time}}$
- $\frac{\text{distance}}{\text{time}} = \text{speed}$ ,  $\text{time} = \frac{\text{distance}}{\text{speed}}$
- $\text{time} = \frac{\text{distance}}{\text{speed}} = \frac{2d}{\frac{c}{n}} = \frac{2dn}{c}$

So, we see that the speed time for a typical crest to make it through the medium is

$$t = \frac{2dn}{c}$$

inside a medium

$t$  = time for a crest to make it through the medium.

$d$  = width of medium

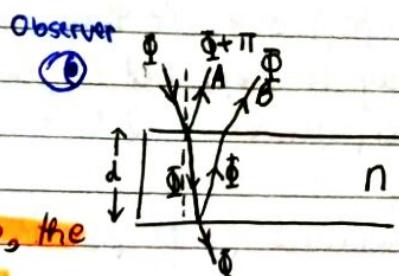
$n$  = refractive index of medium

$c = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$

10) outside the medium, it travels  $m$  wavelengths  $\lambda$  in

$$\text{time} = \frac{\text{distance}}{\text{speed}} = \frac{m\lambda}{c}$$

$$(\text{distance} = m\lambda)$$



11) Now read carefully!

The angle is actually 0. So, the waves go into each other.

A & B are out of phase. So, when they rejoin at the top surface, they destructively interfere if their transit times are equal:

B partially cancels A.

$$\text{time} = \frac{2dn}{c} = \frac{m\lambda}{c}$$

$$2dn = m\lambda$$

thin film destructive interference

$m$  = no. of wavelengths travelled outside medium, Order.  
 $d$  = width of medium  
 $n$  = refractive index

12) If the following relation holds, the rejoining rays interfere constructively:

$$\text{time} = \frac{2dn}{c} = \frac{(m + \frac{1}{2})\lambda}{c}$$

$$2dn = (m + \frac{1}{2})\lambda$$

thin film constructive interference

We assume observer on the same side as light source.

We also assume only one ray was reflected  $\pi$  out of phase.

13) If both rays are  $\pi$  out of phase or observer is on the "away side", reverse the formulas. In latter case, observer sees the rays that come out in phase from the bottom side of the film.

$$2dn = m\lambda, \text{ constructive}$$

B enhances A.

$$2dn = (m + \frac{1}{2})\lambda, \text{ destructive}$$

### Practice

A film of oil with refractive index 1.40 floats on a puddle of rain water with  $n = 1.33$ . Puddle is illuminated by sunlight. When viewed from near normal incidence, a particular region of oil film has orange colour, having wavelength  $575 \text{ nm}$ .

- a) Explain how refractive indices of the air, oil & water play a part in producing the orange colour.

When light is incident at the oil, since  $n_{\text{oil}} > n_{\text{air}}$ , the reflected ray is  $\pi$  out of phase. At the oil-water boundary, since  $n_{\text{oil}} > n_{\text{water}}$ , ray is reflected in phase. As we can see orange, there is constructive interference:  $2dn = (m + \frac{1}{2})\lambda$

- b) Calculate the thickness of the film in the orange region.

$$\text{Thickness} = d$$
$$2dn = (m + \frac{1}{2})\lambda$$

$$2d(1.40) = (m + \frac{1}{2})(575 \times 10^{-9})$$

$$d = \frac{(m + \frac{1}{2})(575 \times 10^{-9})}{2.80}$$

$$M = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Possible  $d$ :

$$= \underline{\underline{1.03 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}}}, \underline{\underline{3.08 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}}}, \underline{\underline{5.13 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}}} \dots$$

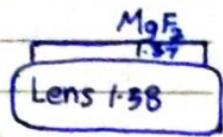
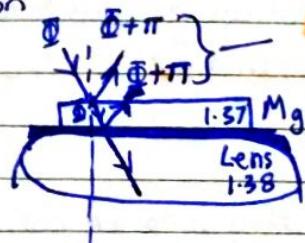
- c) Calculate minimum thickness of film in orange region.

$$d = \frac{(0 + \frac{1}{2})(575 \times 10^{-9})}{2.80}$$

$$d = \underline{\underline{1.03 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}}}$$

**Example**

Magnesium fluoride  $MgF_2$  has  $n = 1.37$ . It is applied <sup>to</sup> a thin layer of ~~opt-~~ over an optical lens made of glass with  $n = 1.38$ . What thickness should it be so that light of wavelength  $528 \text{ nm}$  is not reflected from the lens?

**Solution**

Both reflections are in PHASE  $\Phi + \pi$ .

This makes them constructive.

To have destructive interference, we need the thickness of  $MgF_2$  layer be out of phase & satisfy  $2dn = \left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right)\lambda$

$$2(d)(1.37) = \frac{1}{2} \times 528 \times 10^{-9}$$

$$2dn = \left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right)\lambda$$

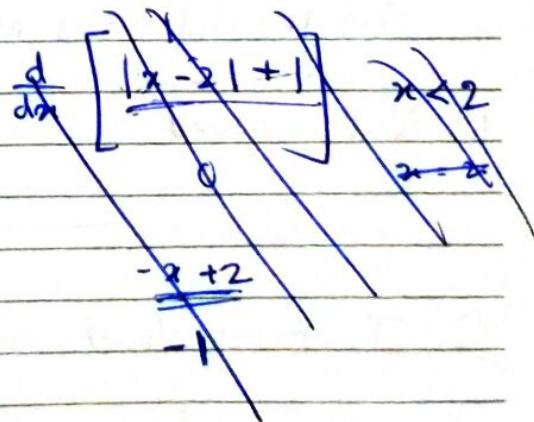
$$d = \frac{528 \times 10^{-9}}{4 \times 1.37}$$

$$2d(1.37) = \left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right)(528 \times 10^{-9}) \quad d = \cancel{= 9.64 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}}$$

$$1.37d = \frac{528 \times 10^{-9}}{4}$$

$$d = 9.64 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}$$

If you read "film", the question is about thin-film interference.  
Most likely



## 9.4 - Resolution

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Data booklet :

$$\theta = \frac{1.22 \lambda}{b}$$

$$R = \frac{\lambda}{\Delta \lambda} = mN$$

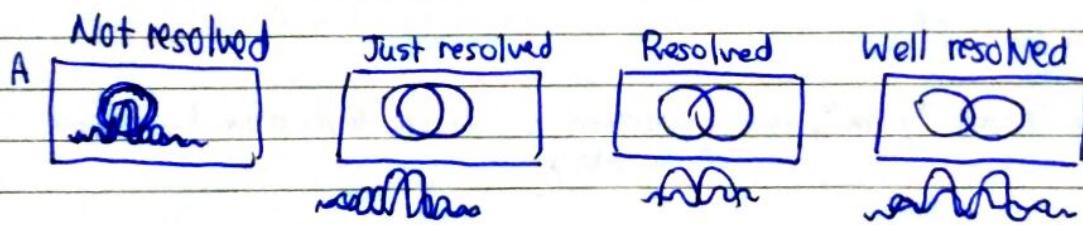
Resolution = the ability of an ~~mass~~ imaging system to be able to produce 2 separate distinguishable images of two different objects.

When you are far from 2 objects, they appear as one.

### 1) The resolution of monochromatic two-source systems

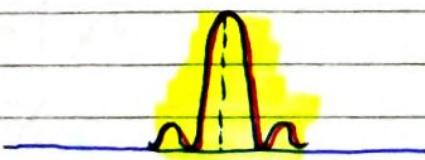
Headlights of a truck can be an example.

FAR  $\rightarrow$  CLOSER

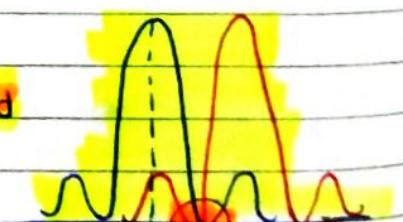


See the intensities more closely :

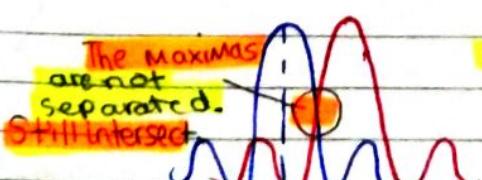
1) Not resolved



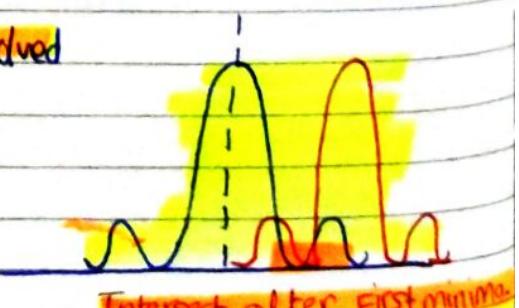
3) Resolved



2) Just resolved



4) Well resolved



(KIKY)

TWO sources of light are just resolved using an aperture if the first minimum of diffraction pattern of one of the sources falls on the central maximum of the diffraction pattern of the other source. See number 2.

This criterion yields these formulas for minimum angular separation:

$$\theta = \frac{\lambda}{b}$$

( $\theta$  in rad)

Rayleigh criterion for SQUARE apertures

$$\theta = \frac{1.22\lambda}{b}$$

( $\theta$  in rad)

Rayleigh criterion for CIRCULAR apertures

viewer, not object's shape.  
Like an eye. Telescope.

### Practice

A car's headlights ( $\lambda = 530\text{nm}$ ) are 0.75 m apart. At what max distance can they just be resolved by the human eye. (diameter = 2.5 mm)?

Human pupil is circular.

$$\theta = \frac{1.22\lambda}{b}$$

$$\theta = \frac{1.22\lambda}{b}$$

$$\theta = \frac{1.22(530 \times 10^{-9})}{0.0025} = 2.59 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\theta = \frac{1.22(530 \times 10^{-9})}{0.0025}$$

$$\theta = 2.59 \times 10^{-4} \text{ rad}$$

$$\theta = \frac{0.75}{\text{distance}}$$

$$2.59 \times 10^{-4} = \frac{0.75}{d}$$

$$d = 2900 \text{ m} \\ = 2.9 \text{ km}$$

$$\theta = \frac{1.22\lambda}{b} = \frac{d}{D}$$

$d$  = distance between objects

$D$  = distance between aperture & objects

$\theta$  = minimum angular separation needed to resolve the objects

$$2.59 \times 10^{-4} = \frac{0.75}{d}$$

$$d = 2900 \text{ m} \approx 2.9 \text{ km}$$

### Practice

A 68-meter diameter radio telescope is receiving radio signals of 2.0 GHz

from 2 stars 75 lightyears (ly) away and separated by 0.045 ly. Frequency

a) Can the telescope resolve the images of the two stars?

$$\theta = \frac{1.22\lambda}{b} = \frac{1.22 \times 10^8}{2 \times 10^9} = \frac{0.15}{68} = \theta = \frac{2.2 \times 10^{-3}}{2 \times 10^9} \text{ rad}$$

$$\text{So, the } \theta \text{ needed is } \frac{1.22\lambda}{b} = \frac{1.22(0.15)}{68} = 2.2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ rad}$$

For stars

$$\text{Actual } \theta = \frac{0.045}{75} = 6 \times 10^{-4} \text{ rad.}$$

No need to convert light years as the units cancel! Don't be premature.

No. The angular separation of the stars is too small for the telescope to resolve.

b) If another identical radio telescope is located 350 m away and it can be used in concert with the first one to create a single telescope having an effective diameter of 350 m, can the pair resolve the two stars?

$$\text{For telescope required } \theta = \frac{1.22\lambda}{b} = \frac{(0.15)\times 22}{350} = \frac{(1.43 \times 10^{-3})}{350} \text{ rad} \quad (1.22) = 1.74 \times 10^{-3} \text{ rad}$$

$$\text{For stars actual } \theta = \frac{0.045}{75} = 6 \times 10^{-4} \text{ rad}$$

Yes ~~not~~, the pair still ~~can't~~ resolve the 2 stars because the angular separation between the stars is still too small larger than the ~~angle~~ enough for the telescope to resolve.

### FYI - important!

So, remember that  $\theta$  for stars or the 2 objects must be higher than the  $\theta$  from ~~telescope or eyes~~<sup>optical device</sup> for the sources to be resolved.

$$\theta_{\text{source}} = \frac{\text{distance between each other}}{\text{distance from } \begin{matrix} \text{eyes} \\ \text{optical device} \end{matrix}}$$

$$\theta_{\text{eyes}} = \frac{\lambda}{b} \text{ or } \frac{1.22\lambda}{b}$$

$$\theta_{\text{eyes}}^{\text{opt.}} < \theta_{\text{source}}, \text{ if resolved}$$

What are the 2 ways to increase resolution ~~of~~ of an optical device

Well, we have to decrease  $\theta$  in  $\theta = \frac{\lambda}{b}$ . So,

- 1) Decrease received from ~~wavelength of source~~
- 2) Increase ~~diameter of optical device~~

- (1) Decrease wavelength received
- (2) Increase diameter of optical device

Obviously a 200 inch diameter telescope has a better resolution than a 2 inch diameter telescope.

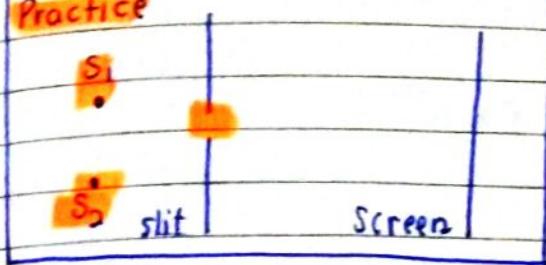
## PRACTICE

~~2st 2 source 1 slit~~

Date

An electron microscope (EM) uses electrons which have been accelerated under a pd. of 750 V. Explain why the EM has better resolution than the light microscope.

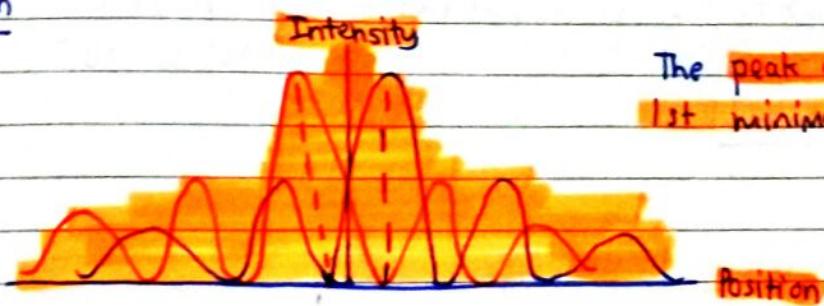
### Practice



(a) Light from 2 monochromatic distant point sources  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  is incident on a narrow slit. After passing through, the light is incident on a ~~screen~~ <sup>on screen</sup>.

Draw the intensity distribution <sup>on screen</sup> when images  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are just resolved according to Rayleigh criterion.

### Solution



The peak of one matches the 1st minimum of the other.

A woman watches an approaching car at night. Aperture of eyes 30 mm. Headlamps separated by 1.2 m and emit light of wavelength 400 nm.

Calculate distance of car <sup>from woman</sup> at which images of the 2 headlamps are just resolved.

$$\theta = \frac{1.22\lambda}{b} = \frac{(400 \times 10^{-9}) 1.22}{0.003} = 1.6 \times 10^{-4} \text{ rad}$$

$$\frac{1.22\lambda}{b} = \frac{1.2}{D}$$

$$\frac{1.22(400 \times 10^{-9})}{0.003} = \frac{1.2}{D}$$

$$x = 7.4 \text{ km}$$

$$\frac{1.2}{x} = 1.6 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$x = \frac{1.2}{1.6 \times 10^{-4}}$$

$$x = 7.4 \text{ km}$$

(b) Pluto is  $4.6 \times 10^{12} \text{ m}$  from Earth and Pluto's diameter is  $2.3 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$ . The average wavelength of light received by Earth from Pluto is 500 nm.

Deduce, whether human eye sees Pluto as a disc or a point source of light.

$$\frac{1.22(500 \times 10^{-9})}{b} = \frac{2.3 \times 10^6}{4.6 \times 10^{12}}$$

$$\theta = \frac{2.3 \times 10^6}{4.6 \times 10^{12}} = 5.1 \times 10^{-7} \text{ rad}$$

$$\theta = \frac{1}{b}, b = \frac{(500 \times 10^{-9}) 1.22}{5.1 \times 10^{-7}} = 0.98 \text{ m} \quad 1.2 \text{ m}$$

$$b = 1.2 \text{ m}$$

Too large diameter for an eye.  
Only as point-source.

∴ The diameter is too large for an eye. Hence, Pluto is seen as a point source.

## Practice

Two binary stars emit radio waves of wavelength  $6.0 \times 10^{-2}$ . Waves received by a radio telescope of diameter 120m. Two stars are just resolved if their minimum angular separation in radians is of the order:

- A.  $2 \times 10^4$    B.  $2 \times 10^2$    C.  $5 \times 10^{-2}$    D.  $5 \times 10^{-4}$

$$\frac{1.22(0.06)}{120} = \frac{0.06}{100} = 0.0006$$

$$6 \times 10^{-4}$$

## Solution

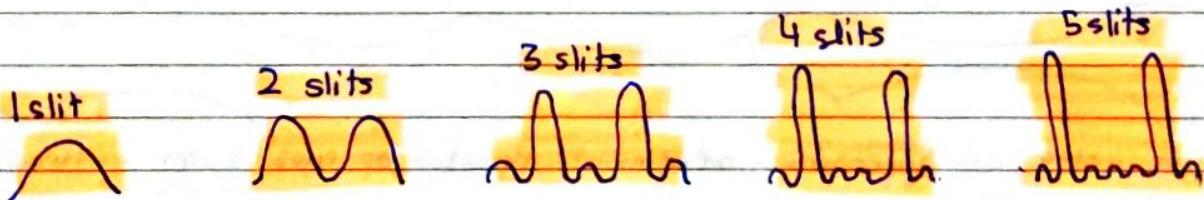
$$\theta = \frac{1.22\lambda}{b} \quad \left( \frac{\lambda}{b} \text{ also works because they are only asking for the order} \right)$$

$$\theta = \frac{1.22 \times (6 \times 10^{-2})}{120} = 0.00061 \text{ rad} = 6.1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ rad}$$

Order is  $10^{-4}$ .

**D.  $5 \times 10^{-4}$**

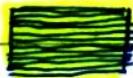
## 2) Resolvance of diffraction gratings



Observe the intensity patterns for multiple-slit interference

- ① The more slits, <sup>the</sup> higher the intensity of primary maxima.
- ② The more slits, the narrower the primary maxima.

There are hundreds of slits, so the widths of the primary maxima are very small indeed.



lines  
slits

Resolution for a grating is proportional to number of ~~lines~~  $N$ .

Formula for resolution in diffraction grating

The resolvance R of a diffraction grating is defined as the ratio of the average  $\lambda$  of two wavelengths to their difference  $\Delta\lambda$ . Thus

$$R = \frac{\lambda}{\Delta\lambda}$$

**Resolvance of a diffraction grating**

No unit for R.

**Resolvance** = the measure of how well a diffraction grating can separate two wavelengths.

- Grating resolution is proportional to  $N$ , the total lines illuminated by the incident beam of light.
- Observe the diffraction pattern on the right. We see that a natural consequence of diffraction is the spreading out of the pattern for higher orders. So, the natural separation of wavelengths increases with order.

n is m. No difference. Both mean order of diffraction.

Rainbow	$n=2$
	$n=1$
	$n=0$
white	
	$n=1$
	$n=2$

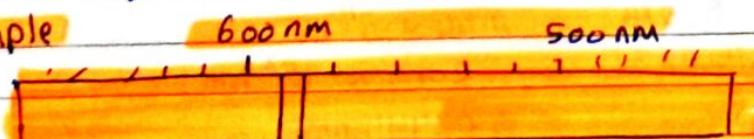
Without proof, resolvance  $R$  for each order of diffraction  $m$  is given by  $R = Nm$ , where  $N$  is total number of slits illuminated by the beam.

$$R = Nm \quad \text{Resolvance, Number of slits illuminated, order of diffraction}$$

$$R = \frac{\lambda}{\Delta\lambda} = Nm$$

Resolvance of a diffraction grating

Example



Two lines of the sodium emission spectrum are visible, with wavelengths 589.0 nm & 589.6 nm. A diffraction grating is illuminated with a beam of light having a width 0.2500 mm.

a) Resolvance of this grating?

$$R = \frac{\lambda}{\Delta\lambda} = \frac{589.3}{0.6} = 982.2$$

$$\frac{589 + 589.6}{2} = 589.3 \text{ nm}$$

$$\frac{589.3}{0.6} = 982.2$$

b) Find the minimum no. of lines under the beam needed for the resolvance of the order 2 spectrum.

$$982.2 = 2N$$

$$N = 491.1$$

$$982.2 = Nm$$

$$M = 2$$

$$\frac{982.2}{2} = 491.1$$

c) Find minimum lines needed per mm in this particular diffraction grating.

$$\text{Lines per mm} = \frac{491.1}{0.25} = 1964 \text{ lines}$$

$$\frac{491.1}{0.25} = 1964$$

Practice

A beam of light has avg.  $\lambda = 550.0 \text{ nm}$ . It is incident on a 1.50 cm wide diffraction grating having 500 lines per mm. Calculate smallest difference in wavelength that can be resolved in the 3rd order and find resolution of the grating.

$$\lambda = 550 \text{ nm}$$

$$R = \frac{\lambda}{\Delta \lambda} = \text{Nm}$$
 ~~$\Delta \lambda = \frac{550}{3 \times 50000} = 3.6666666666666665$~~ 
 ~~$\Delta \lambda =$~~

$$R = \frac{\lambda}{\Delta \lambda} = \text{Nm}$$

$$\frac{550.0 \times 10^{-9}}{\Delta \lambda} = 500000 \times 3$$

$$\Delta \lambda =$$

$$\text{lines/mm} = \frac{N}{\text{width}}$$

$$500 = \frac{N}{15}$$

$$7500 = N$$

$$\therefore \Delta \lambda = \frac{\lambda}{Nm} = \frac{550 \times 10^{-9}}{7500 \times 3} = 2.44 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}$$

$$= 2.44 \times 10^{-2} \text{ nm}$$

$$= 0.02444 \text{ nm}$$

$$R = \frac{550.0}{0.02444} = 2.25 \times 10^3 = 2.250 \times 10^4 = 22500$$

OR

$$R = Nm = 7500 \times 3 = 22500$$

Just more information in case!

- CDs cannot hold more info. than DVDs because a DVD player must have a laser of higher frequency (smaller  $\lambda$ ) than a CD player. With higher f. smaller pits can be resolved in DVDs.

$$\text{CD}$$

$$\lambda = 780 \text{ nm}$$

$$\text{DVD}$$

$$\lambda = 650 \text{ nm}$$

$$\text{Blu-ray disc}$$

$$\lambda = 405 \text{ nm}$$

Storage 700 MB

4.7 GB

25 GB

9.5

## Doppler effect

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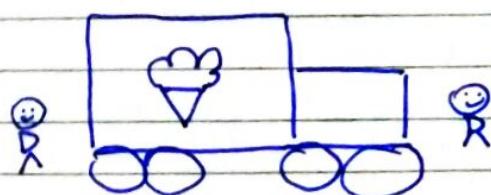
Doppler effect describes the wavelength/frequency shift during relative motion.

Application: Expansion of Universe, weather reports, medicine

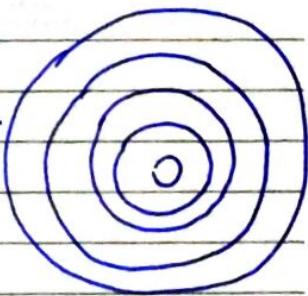
- Situations include radars and medical physics.
- Significance for the red-shift in the light spectra of receding galaxies

### i) The Doppler effect - moving source

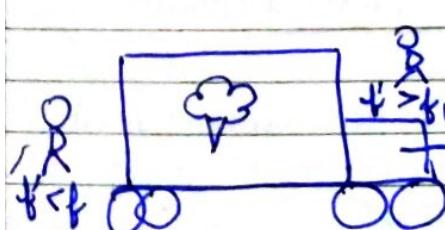
- The Doppler effect explains frequency change caused by moving sources or moving observers.
- When a sound source of frequency  $f$  approach you at speed  $u_s$ , its wavefronts bunch together. You hear a frequency  $f'$  which is higher. ( $f' > f$ )
- When sound source will recede from you, the wavefronts stretch out and you hear frequency  $f'$  which is lower. ( $f' < f$ )



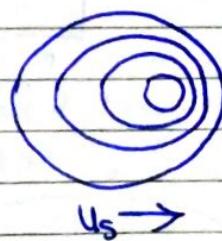
The truck is stationary at the moment  
 $u_s = 0$   
 The cross-section  
 of wave fronts is  
 symmetric.



Dobson hears same frequency wherever he stands.



Now truck moves at  $u_s$ .  
 Bell rings at same rate as before.  
 But, wavefronts bunch up in front and separate at the back.



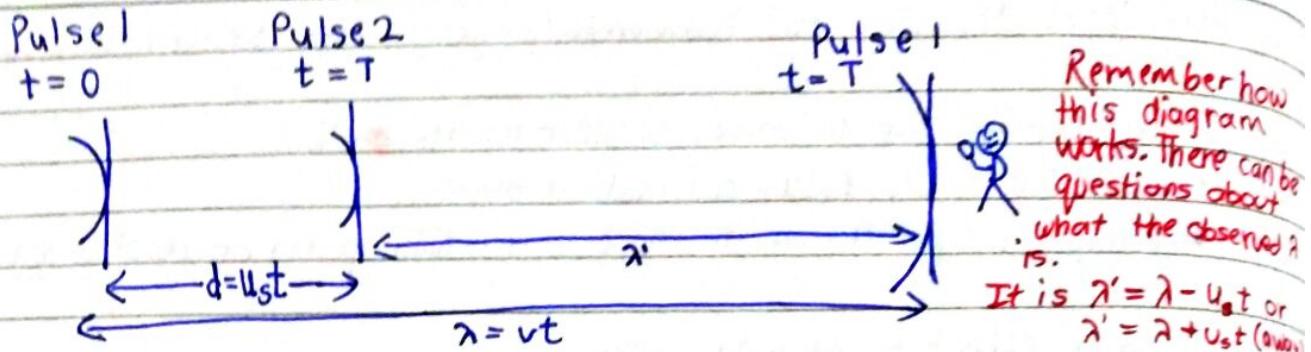
- Reason: the truck moves forward during each successive spherical wave emission.  
~~( $u_s$  is actually~~ (the speed of wavelengths is speed of sound, bunched or not!)

Dobson hears different frequency now.

If front of truck,  $f' > f$ .

If back of truck,  $f' < f$ .

Let's look at two successive pulses for a source moving at  $u_s$ :



Remember how this diagram works. There can be questions about what the observed  $\lambda'$  is.

It is  $\lambda' = \lambda - u_s t$  or  $\lambda' = \lambda + u_s t$  (away)

- Pulse 1 reaches Dobson in time  $T$ . In that time next pulse is emitted by truck at  $d$  distance <sup>in front</sup>. Pulse 1 has travelled  $\lambda$  in time  $t=T$ .
- $\lambda$  is the wavelength of sound. It is ~~velocity  $\times$  period ( $T$ )~~
- But observer detects wavelength  $\lambda'$ . ( $\lambda' \neq \lambda$ ) (which means he detects higher  $f$ )
- $d = u_s T$ .  $d$  is distance between emission of the pulses.

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda &= d + \lambda' \\ \lambda' &= \lambda - d \\ \lambda' &= T(v - u_s) \end{aligned}$$

$$f' = \frac{v}{\lambda'} = \frac{v}{T(v - u_s)}$$

$$f' = \frac{1}{T} \times \frac{v}{v - u_s}$$

$$f' = f \left( \frac{v}{v \pm u_s} \right)$$

approach ( $+u_s$ )  
recede ( $-u_s$ )

Doppler effect in  
moving source

If source recedes,  $u_s$  should be added.

Use logic! When ~~decreases~~  $f'$  should be higher, make denominator smaller and vice-versa.

Example Car horn has  $f = 520 \text{ Hz}$ . Car travels rightward at  $25 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  and speed of sound is  $340 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ .

a) ~~frequency~~ heard by driver?

$$f' = f \left( \frac{v}{v \pm u_s} \right) = 520 \left( \frac{340}{340 + 25} \right)$$

Oh wait!

Driver is in the car. Relative motion is 0.

Driver hears  $520 \text{ Hz}$ .

b) Frequency heard by observer on Left side?

$$f' = f \left( \frac{v}{v+u_s} \right) = 520 \left( \frac{340}{365} \right) = 480 \text{ Hz}$$

c) Frequency heard by observer on right side of the car?

$$f' = f \left( \frac{340}{315} \right) = \frac{520 \times 340}{315} = 560 \text{ Hz}$$

## 2) The Doppler Effect - Moving observer

When both the source & observer are stationary,  $f' = f$ .

But if observer is moving **TOWARD** the source at  $u_o$ , frequency observed is higher. ( $f' > f$ )

If observer moves **AWAY**, frequency observed is lower. ( $f' < f$ )

$f' = f \left( \frac{v \pm u_o}{v} \right)$	$v$ is speed of sound.	Doppler Effect Moving Observer
approach ( $+u_o$ ), recede ( $-u_o$ )		

Always use logic when picking the + - sign.

Example

Car horn frequency is 520 Hz. Speed of sound is 340 m/s!

a) An observer approaches car at 25 m/s. What frequency is heard by him?

$$f' = f \left( \frac{v \pm u_o}{v} \right) = 520 \left( \frac{340+25}{340} \right) = 560 \text{ Hz.}$$

b) Recedes at 25 m/s. Frequency?

$$520 \left( \frac{340-25}{340} \right) = 500 \text{ Hz}$$

$$f' = 520 \left( \frac{315}{340} \right) = 480 \text{ Hz.} \quad 520 \left( \frac{315}{340} \right) = 480 \text{ Hz}$$

### 3) The Doppler effect - light (optional derivation)

Here,  $v = c$ .  $3 \cdot 0 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$

Thus,  $f' = f \left( \frac{v}{v \pm u_s} \right)$  becomes

$$f' = f \left( \frac{c}{c \pm u_s} \right)$$

$$= f \left( 1 \pm \frac{u_s}{c} \right) = f \left( 1 \pm \frac{u_s}{c} \right)^{-1}$$

And,  $f' = f \left( \frac{v \pm u_o}{v} \right)$  becomes

$$f' = f \left( \frac{c \pm u_o}{c} \right)$$

$$= f \left( 1 \pm \frac{u_o}{c} \right)$$

In binomial theorem, there is  $(1+x)^n$

$$\text{Take } x = \frac{u_o}{c} \text{ or } \frac{u_s}{c}$$

$|x|$  is always less than 1. Both formulas reduce to:

$$\text{So, } f' = f \left( 1 \pm \frac{u}{c} \right) = f \pm \frac{fu}{c} \rightarrow \frac{\Delta f}{f} = \pm \frac{u}{c}$$

$$f' - f = \Delta f$$

$$\text{That's why } \frac{\Delta f}{f} = \pm \frac{u}{c}$$

$u$  is either speed of source or observer, or the relative speed between both  
 $v$  is same as  $u$ . IBO just makes it  $v$ .

$$\frac{\Delta f}{f} = (f' - f) / f = \left( \frac{c}{\lambda'} - \frac{c}{\lambda} \right) / \left( \frac{c}{\lambda} \right) = \left( \frac{\lambda}{\lambda'} - 1 \right) = \frac{\Delta \lambda}{\lambda}$$

$$\frac{\Delta f}{f} = \frac{\Delta \lambda}{\lambda} = \frac{v}{c}$$

Doppler effect  
for light

$v$  is relative speed  
between source &  
observer.

The derivation is just for understanding.

Example

A star moves away from us at  $5.6 \times 10^6 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . It has a known absorption spectrum line that should be located 520 nm on an identical stationary star. Where is this line located on the moving star?

$$\frac{\Delta \lambda}{\lambda} = \frac{5.6 \times 10^6}{3 \times 10^8}$$

Don't be scared. Get the important part.

It is about wavelength.  $\lambda = 520 \text{ nm}$  for stationary star. Since it moves away.

$$\frac{\Delta \lambda}{\lambda} = \frac{v}{c} = \frac{5.6 \times 10^6}{3 \times 10^8} = 0.0187$$

$$\lambda' = 520 + 9.7 = 529.7 \text{ nm}$$

$$\approx 530 \text{ nm}$$

$$\frac{\Delta \lambda}{\lambda} = 0.0187$$

$\lambda'$  increases when go away, and decreases when come close.

$$\frac{\Delta \lambda}{520} = 0.0187$$

$$\Delta \lambda = 9.7 \text{ nm}$$

We have to find  $\lambda'$ . Since it moves away from us,  $\lambda'$  is higher.

$$520 + 9.7 = 529.7 \text{ nm} = 530 \text{ nm}$$

So, Doppler effect for light usually has questions about Space. "red-shift" is shown as evidence of expanding universe.

#### 4) Applications of Doppler effect

Radar gun (used by police). Measures difference in f between the emitted radar beam, and the reflected and returned beam. It finds velocity of cars.

Doppler Ultrasound test : uses reflected sound waves to see how blood flows through a blood vessel. Detects blockages, major arteries, blood flow, clots etc.

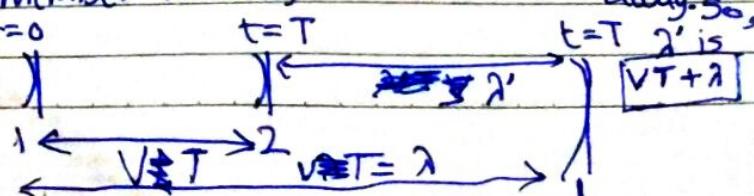
#### 5) Solving problems

(Q) A source emits soundwaves of  $\lambda$ , period T and speed v, at rest. It moves away from observer at speed  $v_s$ . The wavelength of the sound waves, as measured by observer is?

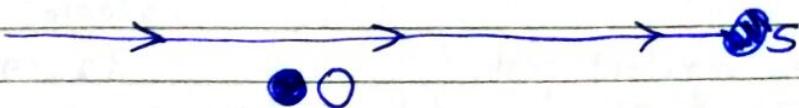
$$\lambda = vT$$

$$\frac{\lambda'}{\lambda} = \frac{vT + vT}{vT} = \frac{2vT}{vT} = 2$$

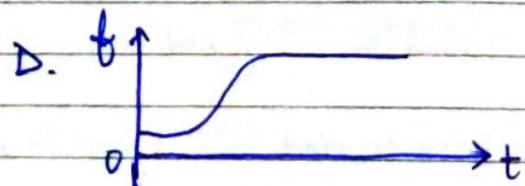
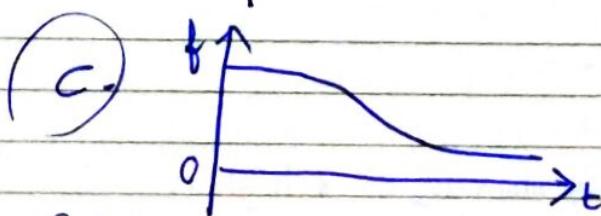
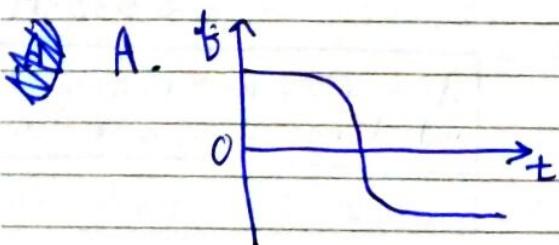
Remember the diagram before?



- Q) A source S, at constant speed, emits sound of constant frequency. The source passes a stationary observer O as shown:



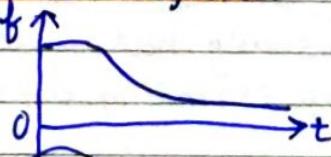
What shows the variation of frequency  $f$  observed by O as source S approaches and passes O?



Solution.

As the source goes,  $f$  decreases. B and D are wrong.  
Frequency can't be negative. A is wrong.

C is correct.



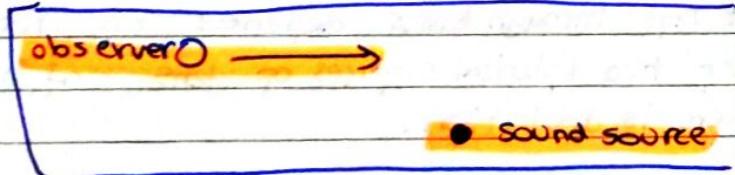
- Q) Why does an observer hear higher frequency than actual frequency when a sound source approaches? Source is truck.

- A. Wavefronts received by observer are closer together than wavefronts received by driver (source).
- B. Speed of wavefronts is greater for observer.  $v$  is constant.
- C. Speed of wavefronts is lesser for observer.  $v$  is constant ( $340 \text{ m/s}$ )
- D. Wavefronts received are further apart than those received by driver. *Nope*

Doppler effect is:

- A. Change in frequency of light due to motion of source.  
Frequency is unchanged. It is observed frequency. It's relative motion.
- B. Change in frequency of light due to relative motion of S and O.
- C. Change in observed frequency of light due to relative motion of S and O.
- D. Change in observed frequency of light due to change in velocity of source light.  
V is unchanged!  
Nothing to do with Doppler Effect.

Q) Sound of  $f_0$  is emitted by source. Observer O travels towards it at  $0.1v$ , where  $v$  is speed of sound.



Which of these given relationship between  $f_0$  and the frequency  $f$  observed?

- A.  $f = 1.1 f_0$       B.  $f_0 < f < 1.1 f_0$       C.  $f = 0.9 f_0$       D.  $f_0 > f > 0.9 f_0$

$$f = f_0 \left( \frac{v + 0.1v}{v} \right)$$

$$f = f_0 \left( \frac{v + 0.1v}{v} \right)$$

$f = 1.1 f_0$ , if O and S are in straight line.

But, they are not in straight line. So,  $f$  is lesser than  $1.1 f_0$  but more than  $f_0$ . It is B.

I know it is tricky. Just be aware if O and S are in straight line.