

# Homework #10 Solutions

**37.9**

Location of  $A$  = central maximum,

Location of  $B$  = first minimum.

$$\text{So, } \Delta y = [y_{\min} - y_{\max}] = \frac{\lambda L}{d} \left(0 + \frac{1}{2}\right) - 0 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\lambda L}{d} = 20.0 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{Thus, } d = \frac{\lambda L}{2(20.0 \text{ m})} = \frac{(3.00 \text{ m})(150 \text{ m})}{40.0 \text{ m}} = \boxed{11.3 \text{ m}}$$

**37.12**

The path difference between rays 1 and 2 is:  $\delta = d \sin \theta_1 - d \sin \theta_2$

For constructive interference, this path difference must be equal to an integral number of wavelengths:  $d \sin \theta_1 - d \sin \theta_2 = m\lambda$ , or

$$\boxed{d(\sin \theta_1 - \sin \theta_2) = m\lambda}$$

**37.17** (a) From Equation 37.8,

$$\phi = \frac{2\pi d}{\lambda} \sin \theta = \frac{2\pi d}{\lambda} \cdot \frac{y}{\sqrt{y^2 + D^2}}$$

$$\phi \approx \frac{2\pi y d}{\lambda D} = \frac{2\pi (0.850 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m})(2.50 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m})}{(600 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m})(2.80 \text{ m})} = \boxed{7.95 \text{ rad}}$$

$$(b) \quad \frac{I}{I_{\max}} = \frac{\cos^2 \left( \frac{\pi d}{\lambda} \sin \theta \right)}{\cos^2 \left( \frac{\pi d}{\lambda} \sin \theta_{\max} \right)} = \frac{\cos^2 \frac{\phi}{2}}{\cos^2 m \pi}$$

$$\frac{I}{I_{\max}} = \cos^2 \frac{\phi}{2} = \cos^2 \left( \frac{7.95 \text{ rad}}{2} \right) = \boxed{0.453}$$

37.54

For Young's experiment, use  $\delta = d \sin \theta = m\lambda$ . Then, at the point where the two bright lines coincide,

$$d \sin \theta = m_1 \lambda_1 = m_2 \lambda_2 \quad \text{so} \quad \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_2} = \frac{540}{450} = \frac{m_2}{m_1} = \frac{6}{5}$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{6\lambda_2}{d} = \frac{6(450 \text{ nm})}{0.150 \text{ mm}} = 0.0180$$

Since  $\sin \theta \approx \theta$  and  $L = 1.40 \text{ m}$ ,

$$x = \theta L = (0.0180)(1.40 \text{ m}) = \boxed{2.52 \text{ cm}}$$

38.2

The positions of the first-order minima are  $y/L \approx \sin \theta = \pm \lambda/a$ . Thus, the spacing between these two minima is  $\Delta y = 2(\lambda/a)L$  and the wavelength is

$$\lambda = \left( \frac{\Delta y}{2} \right) \left( \frac{a}{L} \right) = \left( \frac{4.10 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}}{2} \right) \left( \frac{0.550 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}}{2.06 \text{ m}} \right) = \boxed{547 \text{ nm}}$$

38.28

$$d = \frac{1}{800/\text{mm}} = 1.25 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}$$

The blue light goes off at angles  $\sin \theta_m = \frac{m\lambda}{d}$  :

$$\theta_1 = \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{1 \times 5.00 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}}{1.25 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}} \right) = 23.6^\circ$$

$$\theta_2 = \sin^{-1} (2 \times 0.400) = 53.1^\circ$$

$$\theta_3 = \sin^{-1} (3 \times 0.400) = \text{nonexistent}$$

The red end of the spectrum is at

$$\theta_1 = \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{1 \times 7.00 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}}{1.25 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}} \right) = 34.1^\circ$$

$$\theta_2 = \sin^{-1} (2 \times 0.560) = \text{nonexistent}$$

So only the first-order spectrum is complete, and it does not overlap the second-order spectrum.

38.32

$$d \sin \theta = m\lambda \quad \text{and, differentiating, } d(\cos \theta) d\theta = md\lambda \quad \text{or} \quad d\sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta} \Delta\theta \approx m \Delta\lambda$$

$$d\sqrt{1 - m^2 \lambda^2} / d^2 \Delta\theta \approx m \Delta\lambda \quad \text{so}$$

$$\boxed{\Delta\theta \approx \frac{\Delta\lambda}{\sqrt{d^2 / m^2 - \lambda^2}}}$$

38.42 (a)  $\theta_1 = 20.0^\circ, \theta_2 = 40.0^\circ, \theta_3 = 60.0^\circ$ 

$$I_f = I_i \cos^2(\theta_1 - 0^\circ) \cos^2(\theta_2 - \theta_1) \cos^2(\theta_3 - \theta_2)$$

$$I_f = (10.0 \text{ units}) \cos^2(20.0^\circ) \cos^2(20.0^\circ) \cos^2(20.0^\circ) = \boxed{6.89 \text{ units}}$$

(b)  $\theta_1 = 0^\circ, \theta_2 = 30.0^\circ, \theta_3 = 60.0^\circ$ 

$$I_f = (10.0 \text{ units}) \cos^2(0^\circ) \cos^2(30.0^\circ) \cos^2(30.0^\circ) = \boxed{5.63 \text{ units}}$$

