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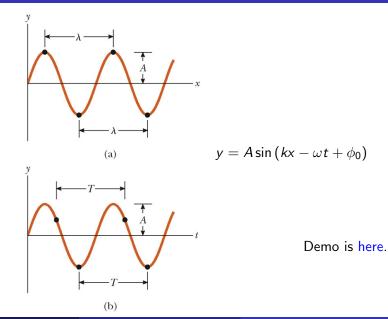
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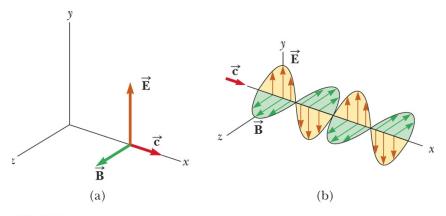
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Electromagnetic Waves

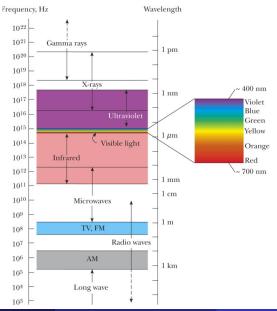


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Electromagnetic Spectrum

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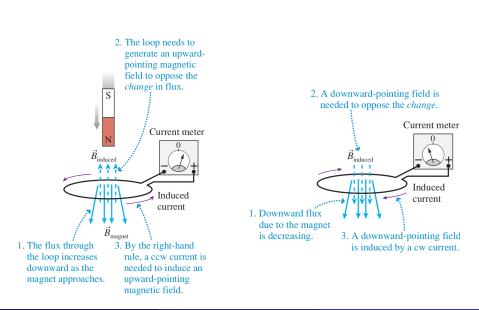


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Lenz's Law

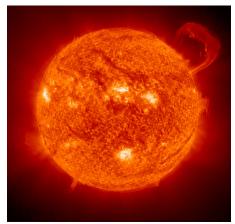
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The Electric Field of Sunlight

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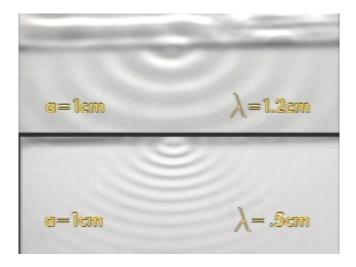
The intensity of sunlight reaching the Earth is called the solar constant (which is not really constant) and has a value of $I_s = 1366 J/s - m^2$. What is the size of the electric field in sunlight? How does this compare with the typical fields we use in lab ($|\vec{E}| \approx 10 N/C$)?



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What Happens When Waves Hit Holes?

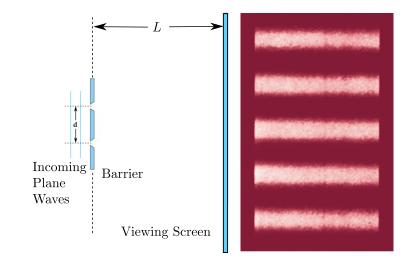


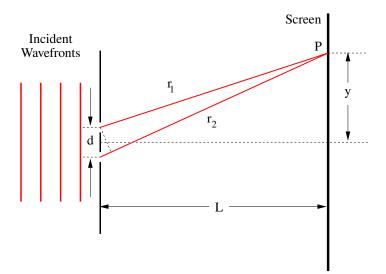
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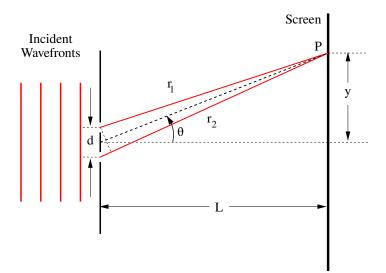
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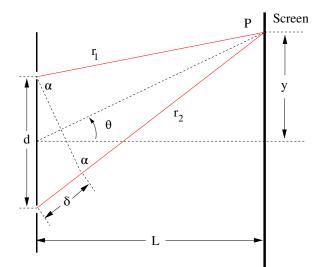
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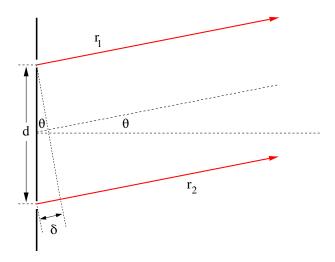
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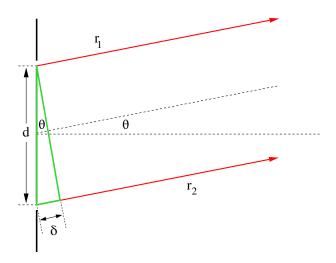


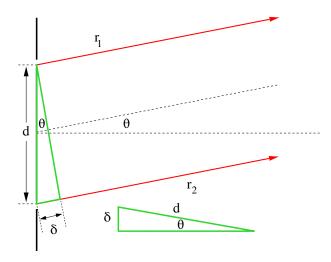












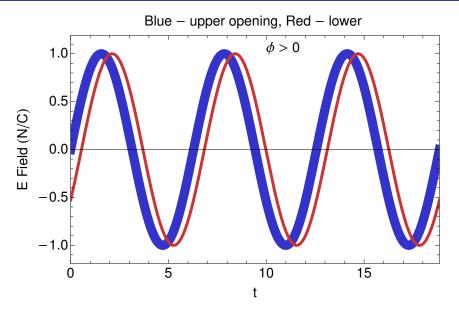
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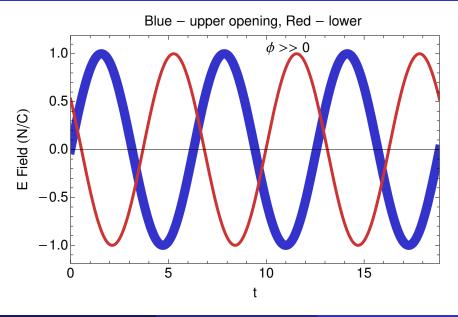
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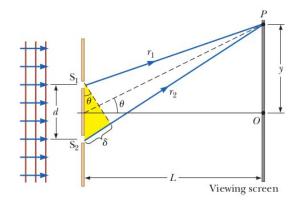
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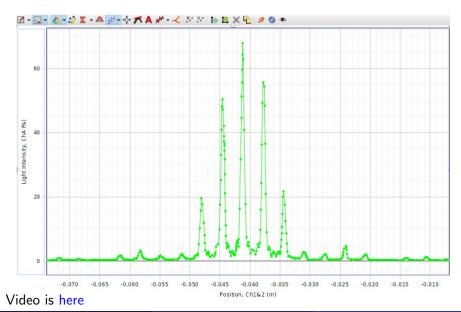
Interference

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A double-slit experiment is performed with $\lambda = 589 \ nm$ light and a distance $L = 2.0 \ m$ between the slits and the screen. The fifth interference maximum is observed at a distance $y = 4.0 \ mm$ from the central maximum. What is the spacing d of the slits?



Lab Results



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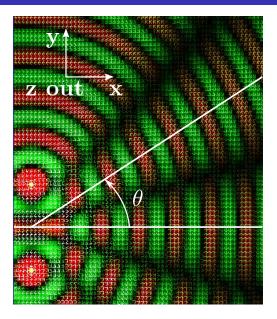
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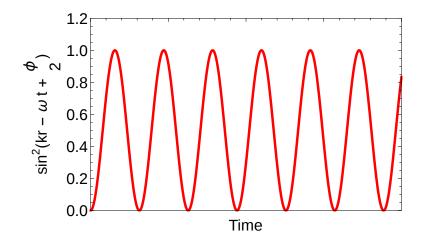
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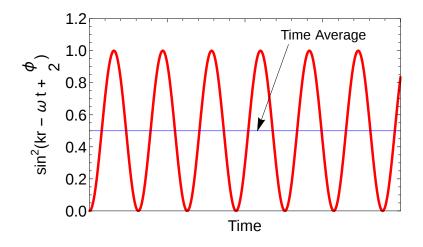
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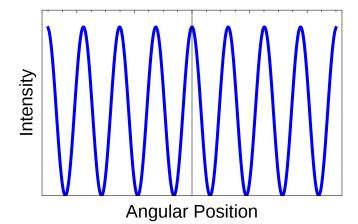


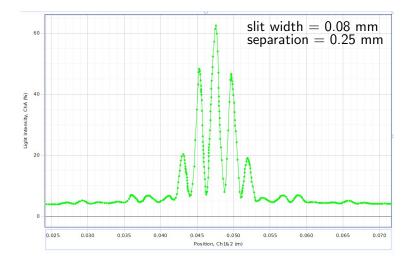




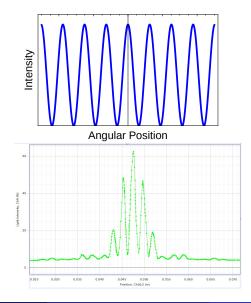








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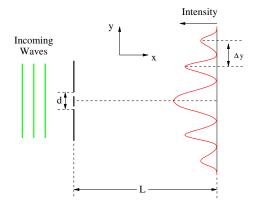
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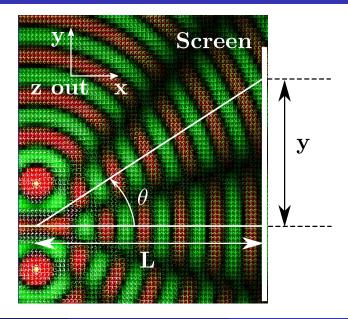
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A laser beam is passed through two narrow slits and an interference pattern is thrown on a screen a distance L = 1.7 m away from the slits. The bright spots are $\Delta y = 0.1 m$ apart. What is the separation d of the slits? The light has a wavelength $\lambda = 6.5 \times 10^{-7} m$.



Double Slit Interference Geometry

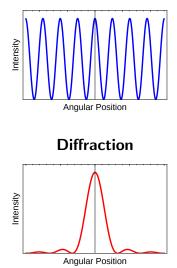
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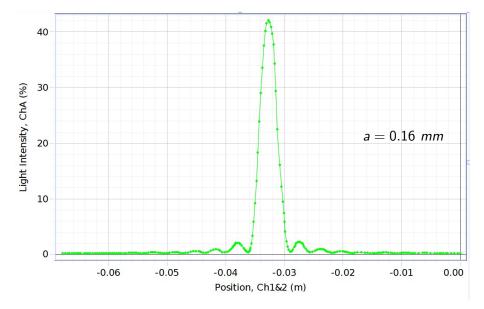


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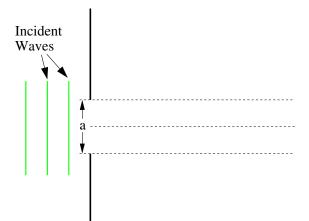


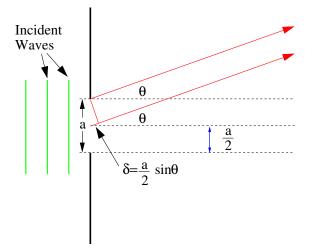
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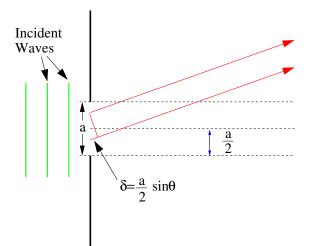


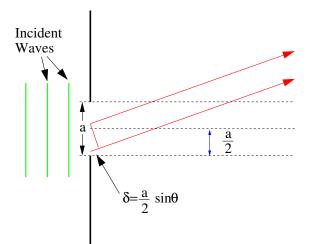


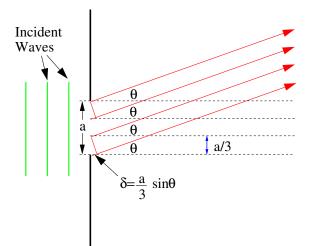
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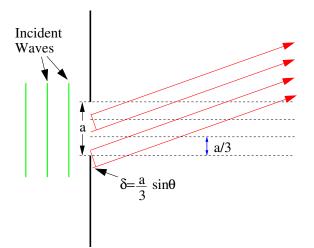


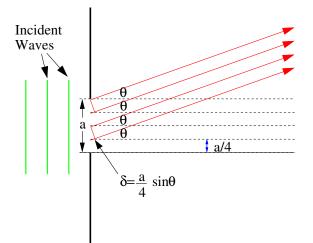


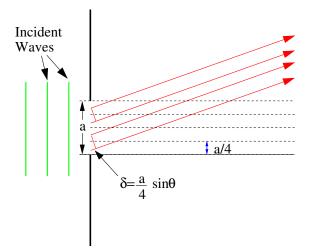








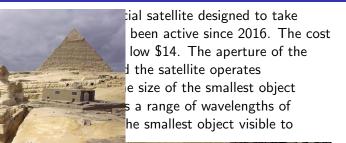




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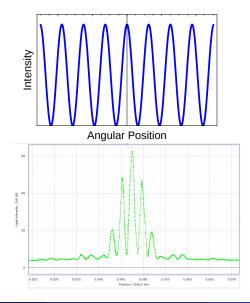








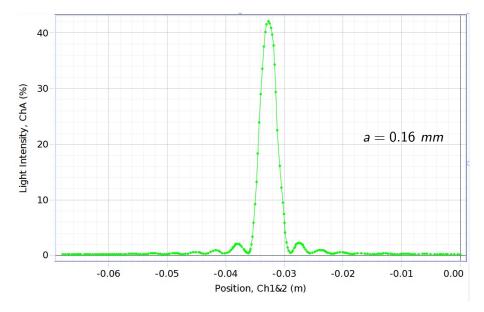
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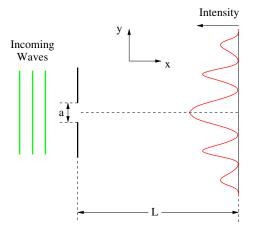


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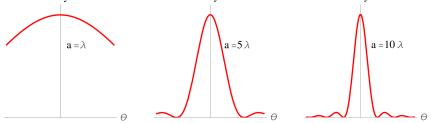
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A laser beam of wavelength $\lambda = 6328$ Å is shone on a single slit of width a = 1.0 mm. If a screen is placed a distance L = 0.40 m away, then how far from the central maximum is the first dark spot on each side of the central maximum? What is the angular size of the central peak?



Diffraction Equation

$$I = I_m \left(\frac{\sin \alpha}{\alpha}\right)^2 = I_m \left(\frac{\sin \left(\frac{\pi a}{\lambda} \sin \theta\right)}{\frac{\pi a}{\lambda} \sin \theta}\right)^2$$
$$\alpha = \frac{\pi a}{\lambda} \sin \theta \qquad \theta \equiv \text{angular position}$$
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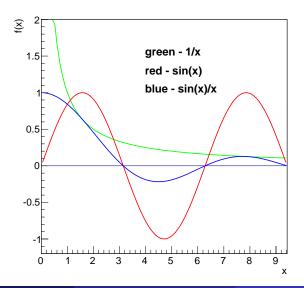
$$f(a)=g(a)=0$$

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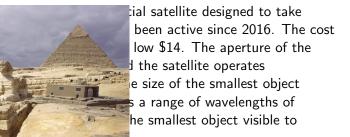


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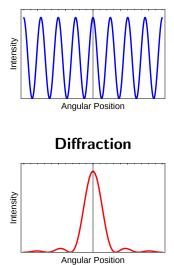






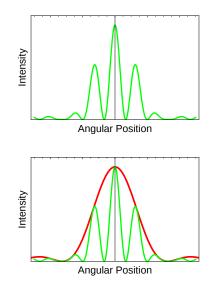




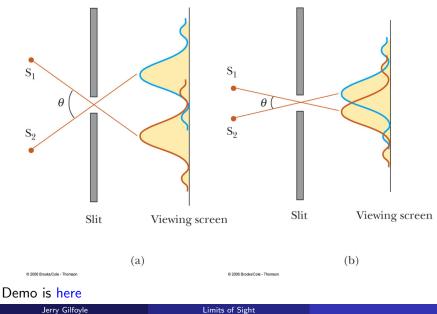




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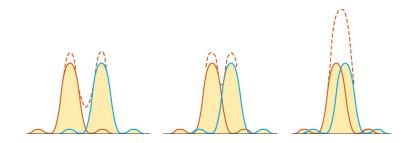


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Defining the Limits of Sight-2

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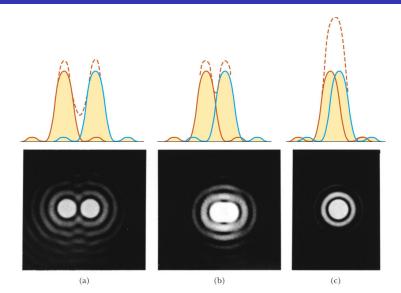


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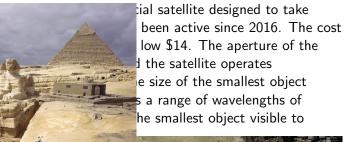
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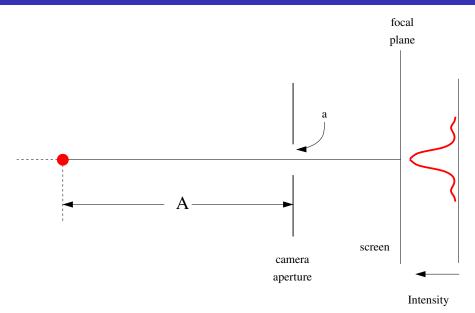




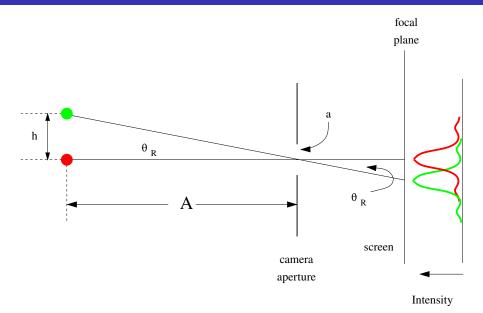




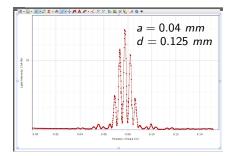


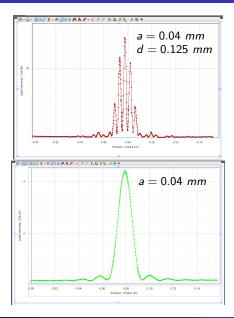


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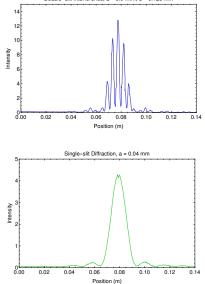




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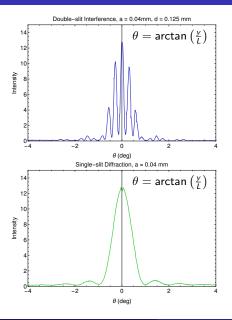
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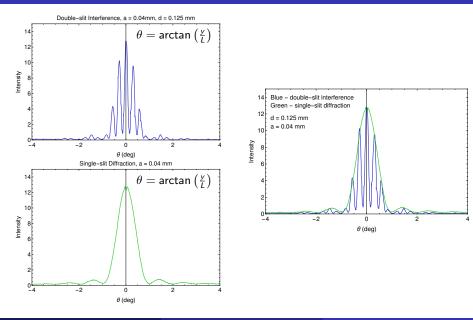
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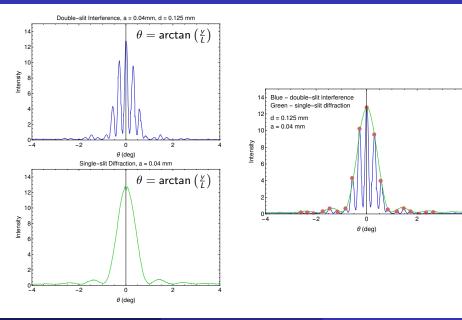
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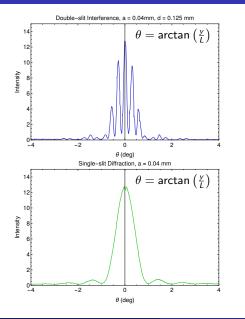


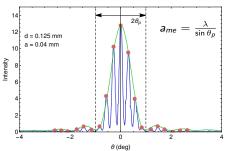
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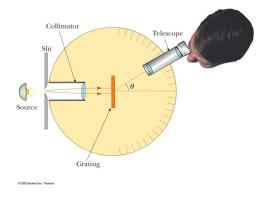




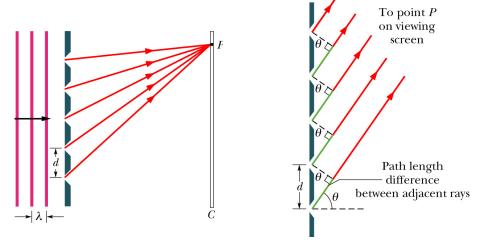
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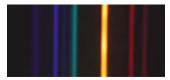
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Light of wavelength $\lambda = 600 \ nm$ is incident normally on a diffraction grating in a spectrometer. Two adjacent maxima occur at angles given by $\sin \theta_1 = 0.2$ and $\sin \theta_2 = 0.3$. The fourth-order maxima are missing. What is the separation between adjacent slits?

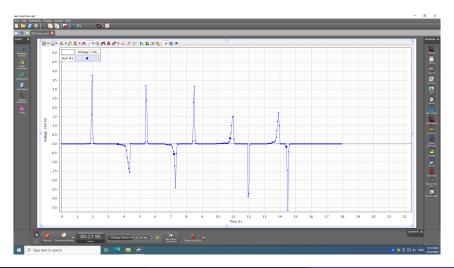


The Diffraction Grating





Visible emission spectrum of helium.



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