

Worksheet: Two-Slit Interference



Q1: Light passes through a sheet in which there are two parallel narrow slits $12.8 \mu\text{m}$ apart. The light from the slits is incident on a screen parallel to the sheet, where a pattern of light and dark fringes is observed. A line L runs perpendicular to the surface of the sheet and the direction of the slits. The line L intersects the central bright fringe of the pattern on the screen. The angle between L and a line that intersects the center of the bright fringe closest to the central bright fringe is 3.09° . What is the wavelength of the light? Give your answer to three significant figures.

A 560 nm

B 690 nm

C 0.350 nm

D 345 nm

E 0.690 nm

Q2: Light with a wavelength of 636 nm passes through a sheet in which there are two parallel narrow slits. The light from the slits is incident on a screen parallel to the sheets, 1.08 m away, where a pattern of light and dark fringes is observed. A line L runs perpendicular to the surface of the sheet and the direction of the slits. The line L intersects the central bright fringe of the pattern on the screen. The distance on the screen from L to the center of the bright fringe nearest to the central bright fringe is 6.11 cm. What is the distance between the slits?

A 1.12×10^{-5} m

B 3.36×10^{-5} m

C 56.1×10^{-5} m

D 1.08×10^{-5} m

E 6.36×10^{-5} m

Q3: Light with a wavelength of 625 nm passes through a sheet in which there are two parallel narrow slits. The light from the slits is incident on a screen parallel to the sheet, where a pattern of light and dark fringes is observed. A line L runs perpendicular to the surface of the sheet and the direction of the slits. The line L intersects the central bright fringe of the pattern on the screen. The angle between L and a line that intersects the center of the bright fringe closest to the central bright fringe is 2.67° . What distance separates the slits on the sheet? Give your answer to three significant figures.

A 13.4 μm

B 78.4 μm

C 26.8 μm

D 10.9 μm

E 48.1 μm

Q4: Light with a wavelength of 597 nm passes through a sheet in which there are two parallel narrow slits $7.64 \mu\text{m}$ apart. The light from the slits is incident on a screen parallel to the sheet, where a pattern of light and dark fringes is observed. A line L runs perpendicular to the surface of the sheet and the direction of the slits, intersecting the central bright fringe of the pattern on the screen. Two lines, line I and line II, intersect L at the position of the sheet. Line I intersects the center of the dark fringe closest to the central bright fringe and line II intersects the center of the bright fringe closest to the central bright fringe. What is the angle between line I and line II? Give your answer to three significant figures.

A 9.12°

B 2.24°

C 18.2°

D 8.99°

E 4.48°

Q5: Which of the following formulas correctly relates the angle θ at which light with a wavelength λ emerges from a pair of narrow slits separated by a distance d to the order n of a bright fringe of an interference pattern produced by the light on a screen?

A $d \sin \theta = \frac{n}{\lambda}$

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

C $\sin \theta = \frac{n\lambda}{d}$

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

E $\sin \theta = dn\lambda$

Q6: Light with a wavelength of 675 nm passes through a sheet in which there are two parallel narrow slits $10.5 \mu\text{m}$ apart. The light from the slits is incident on a screen parallel to the sheet, where a pattern of light and dark fringes is observed. A line L runs perpendicular to the surface of the sheet and the direction of the slits. The line L intersects the central bright fringe of the pattern on the screen. What is the angle between L and a line that intersects the center of the bright fringe closest to the central bright fringe? Give your answer to three significant figures.

A 2.64°

B 7.38°

C 4.66°

D 3.69°

E 1.84°

Q7: Light with a wavelength of 604 nm passes through a sheet in which there are two parallel narrow slits 9.44 μm apart. The light from the slits is incident on a screen parallel to the sheets, 1.25 m away, where a pattern of light and dark fringes is observed. A line L runs perpendicular to the surface of the sheet and the direction of the slits. The line L intersects the central bright fringe of the pattern on the screen. What is the distance on the screen from L to the center of the bright fringe nearest to the central bright fringe?

A 8.00 cm

B 0.160 cm

C 4.50 cm

D 16.0 cm

E 0.800 cm

Q8: Which of the following formulas correctly relates λ , the wavelength of light that emerges from a pair of narrow slits; s , the separation between the slits; d , the distance from the center of an interference pattern produced by the light on a screen; and D , the distance from the slits to a bright fringe in the pattern of order n ?

A $s = \frac{ndD}{\lambda}$

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

C $s = \frac{n\lambda}{dD}$

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

E $s = \frac{\lambda D}{nd}$

Q9: Light passes through a sheet in which there are two parallel narrow slits, $5.28 \mu\text{m}$ apart. The light from the slits is incident on a screen parallel to the slits, 1.16 m away, where a pattern of light and dark fringes is observed. A line L runs perpendicular to the surface of the sheet and the direction of the slits. The line L intersects the central bright fringe of the pattern on the screen. The distance on the screen from L to the center of the dark fringe nearest to the central bright fringe is 4.77 cm . What is the wavelength of the light?

A $2.17 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$

B $8.68 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$

C $4.34 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$

D $5.43 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}$

E $1.09 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$