

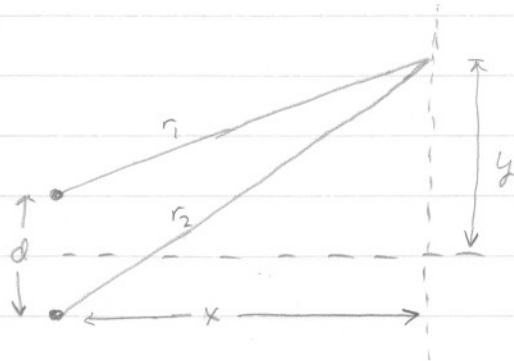
Solutions to hw 8

$$\Delta\phi = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (r_2 - r_1)$$

$$r_1^2 = x^2 + \left(y - \frac{d}{2}\right)^2$$

$$r_2^2 = x^2 + \left(y + \frac{d}{2}\right)^2$$

my numbers: $x = 1000\text{m}$, $d = 272\text{m}$



a) $y = 400\text{m} \Rightarrow r_2 - r_1 = 100.3\text{m}$
 $\Delta\phi = 4\pi \Rightarrow \lambda = 50.2\text{m}$

b) The next minimum occurs when $\Delta\phi = 5\pi \Rightarrow r_2 - r_1 = \frac{5}{2}\lambda$. The algebra needed to obtain an exact solution for y is tedious, but we can obtain a good approximation by writing $y = y_0 + \Delta y$ and expanding with respect to Δy , such that

$$r_{\pm} = \left[x^2 + \left(y_0 + \Delta y \pm \frac{d}{2} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \approx r_{\pm}^{(0)} + \frac{\partial r_{\pm}^{(0)}}{\partial y} \Delta y = r_{\pm}^{(0)} + \frac{y_{\pm} \Delta y}{r_{\pm}^{(0)}}$$

$$\Delta(r_+ - r_-) \approx \left(\frac{y_0 + \frac{d}{2}}{r_+^{(0)}} - \frac{y_0 - \frac{d}{2}}{r_-^{(0)}} \right) \Delta y$$

where (0) indicates the preceding results of part a). Using

$$y_0 = 400\text{m} \Rightarrow r_+^{(0)} = 1134.6\text{m}, \quad r_-^{(0)} = 1034.3\text{m}$$

$$\Delta(r_+ - r_-) = \frac{\lambda}{2} = \left(\frac{536}{1134.6} - \frac{264}{1034.3} \right) \Delta y \Rightarrow \Delta y = 115.6\text{m}$$

we obtain a first approximation, but Δy may not be sufficiently accurate because $\Delta y/y_0$ is not really small.

To improve upon this approximation, we compute $\Delta\phi$ for several nearby values and interpolate.

Δy	$\Delta\phi/\lambda$
116 m	2.47
120	2.486
124	2.5006

Therefore, the car must travel just a little less than 124 m further to reach the next minimum.

2) Here we do use the small-angle approximation.

a) $\delta = d \sin \theta = \frac{yd}{L}$; $y = 1.25 \text{ cm}$, $L = 150 \text{ cm}$, $d = 0.1 \text{ mm} \Rightarrow \delta = 8.33 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$

b) $\lambda = 500 \text{ nm} \Rightarrow \delta/\lambda = 1.67$

c) intermediate

3) $I = I_{\max} \cos^2 \frac{\Delta\phi}{2} \Rightarrow \Delta\phi = 2 \cos^{-1} \left(\sqrt{\frac{I}{I_{\max}}} \right)$

a) $I_{\max}/I = 0.57 \Rightarrow \Delta\phi = 1.43 \text{ rad}$ is minimum phase difference

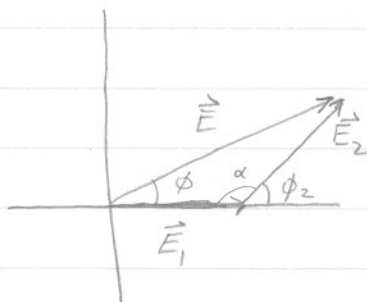
b) $\Delta\phi = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \Delta r \Rightarrow \Delta r = \lambda \Delta\phi / 2\pi$; $\lambda = 487.3 \text{ nm} \Rightarrow \Delta r = 111 \text{ nm}$

4) $E^2 = E_1^2 + E_2^2 - 2E_1E_2 \cos \alpha$, $\alpha = \pi - \phi_2$

$\sin \phi = \frac{E_2}{E} \sin \phi_2$

my numbers: $E_1 = 12$, $E_2 = 16.5$, $\phi_2 = 60^\circ$

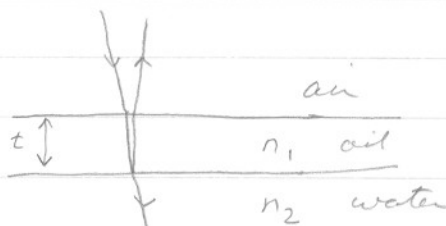
$\therefore E = 24.8$, $\phi = 35.2^\circ$



5) $n_1 = 1.47$, $n_2 = 1.33$, $t = 286 \text{ nm}$

a) External reflection at the air-oil changes the phase by π , but internal reflection at the oil-water interface does not change the phase.

The total phase difference between two reflected beams at normal incidence is then



$$\Delta\phi = 2\pi \frac{2n_1 t}{\lambda} - \pi$$

Constructive interference is obtained when $\Delta\phi = 2\pi m$ for integer m , such that

$$(m + \frac{1}{2}) \lambda = 2n_1 t$$

The only solution for λ that lies in the visible spectrum is

$$m=1 \Rightarrow \lambda = 561 \text{ nm}$$

Light reflected from the oil-water and then oil-air interface and then transmitted into water experiences two internal reflections that do not affect the phase. Thus,



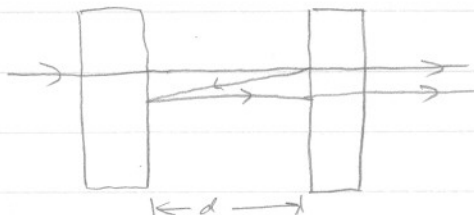
$$\Delta\phi = 2\pi \frac{2n_1 t}{\lambda} = 2\pi m \Rightarrow m\lambda = 2n_1 t$$

The only solution in the visible range is

$$m=2 \Rightarrow \lambda = 420 \text{ nm.}$$

$$\Delta\phi = 2\pi \frac{2d}{\lambda} = 2\pi m$$

$$\therefore d = m \frac{\lambda}{2}$$



$$\lambda = 580 \text{ nm}, m=1 \Rightarrow d = 290 \text{ nm}$$

Interference between light reflected either from the top or the bottom of the air gap produces dark fringes when

$$\Delta\phi = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} 2t + \pi = 2\pi(m + \frac{1}{2})$$

where m is an integer. Note that one reflection is internal and the other external, so that there is a net phase difference of π due to reflection. Using

$$\lambda = 550.1 \text{ nm}, \quad t \leq 4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ cm} \Rightarrow 0 \leq m \leq 145.43.$$

Thus, including the contact fringe ($m=0$) there are a total of 146 dark bands.

$$2\sqrt{h^2 + \left(\frac{d}{2}\right)^2} - d = \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} h^2 &= \frac{1}{4} \left(d + \frac{\lambda}{2}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{d}{2}\right)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{16} (4\lambda d + \lambda^2) \end{aligned}$$



$$\therefore h = \frac{\lambda}{4} \sqrt{1 + 4\frac{d}{\lambda}} \approx \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\lambda d}$$

my numbers: $d = 33 \text{ km}, \lambda = 345 \text{ m} \Rightarrow h = 1.69 \text{ km}$

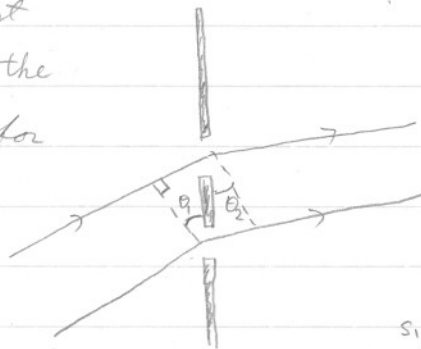
P37.12) If the incident light is at an angle θ_1 wrt normal, the total path length difference for parallel rays has two contributions

$$\Delta S = S_2 - S_1 \\ = d (\sin \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1)$$

Constructive interference requires

$$\Delta S = m\lambda = d (\sin \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1)$$

where m is an integer.



P37.22) We can add two phasors of different amplitudes using the accompanying diagram. According to the law of cosines

$$C^2 = A^2 + B^2 - 2AB \cos \delta$$

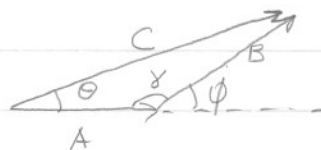
but

$$\delta = \pi - \phi \Rightarrow \cos \delta = -\sin \phi$$

such that

$$C^2 = A^2 + B^2 + 2AB \sin \phi$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{B \sin \phi}{C}$$



$$\therefore E_{01} \sin \omega t + E_{02} \sin(\omega t + \phi) = E_0 \sin(\omega t + \theta) \Rightarrow E_0^2 = E_{01}^2 + E_{02}^2 + 2E_{01}E_{02} \sin \phi$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{E_{02}}{E_0} \sin \phi$$

P37.44) Traversing the cell twice, the total phase difference between empty and full cells is

$$\Delta \phi = 2\pi \frac{n-1}{\lambda} 2L = 2\pi N \Rightarrow N = (n-1) \frac{2L}{\lambda} \Rightarrow n-1 = \frac{N\lambda}{2L}$$