

# 1) Short Answer (16 points)(Show Your Work!)

a) What is the slit width if a second order minima is found at an angle of 54.5 degrees when light is incident normally on a single slit and a diffraction pattern forms. Assume the wavelength of the light used is 632.8nm. (4 pts)

see other exam

Width = 1555nm

$$a = \frac{m\lambda}{\sin\theta}$$

$$= \frac{2(632.8\text{nm})}{\sin 54.5^\circ} = 1554.5\text{nm}$$

b) A light source emits 2 wavelengths of light. The manufacturer claims the 2 wavelengths are 500nm and 501nm. You have a diffraction grating that has a grating spacing (d) of 8000nm. How large a beam must you use (or how much of the diffraction grating must you illuminate) in order to resolve these 2 wavelengths with the diffraction grating you have if you look at the 2<sup>nd</sup> order maxima?(4 pts)

see other test

Beam  
Size = 2.0mm

beam size  $8000\text{nm} \times 250.25 = 2.0 \times 10^6\text{nm}$

# 1) Short Answer cont'd (Show Your Work!)

c) Since it tends to be very difficult to make an X-ray microscope, electron microscopes are often used to see very small objects. What potential difference must an electron be accelerated from rest with, to produce a DeBroglie wavelength of 120.0 pm for an electron? (4 pts)

$$V = 104.4 \text{ V}$$

see other test

$$KE = \frac{(1239.8 \text{ eV nm} / 0.120 \text{ nm})^2}{2(511,000 \text{ eV})}$$
$$= 104.4 \text{ eV}$$

d) As you watch in the laboratory (i.e. you are at rest!), a particle moving at a speed of 0.999c along the x axis is created at  $x = 0.0$  and explodes (or dies) a short time later at  $x = 1.2 \text{ cm}$  as measured by you in the laboratory. If this particle were created at rest instead of a frame of reference moving at 0.999c with respect to your laboratory, how long would it have lived? (4 pts)

see other exam

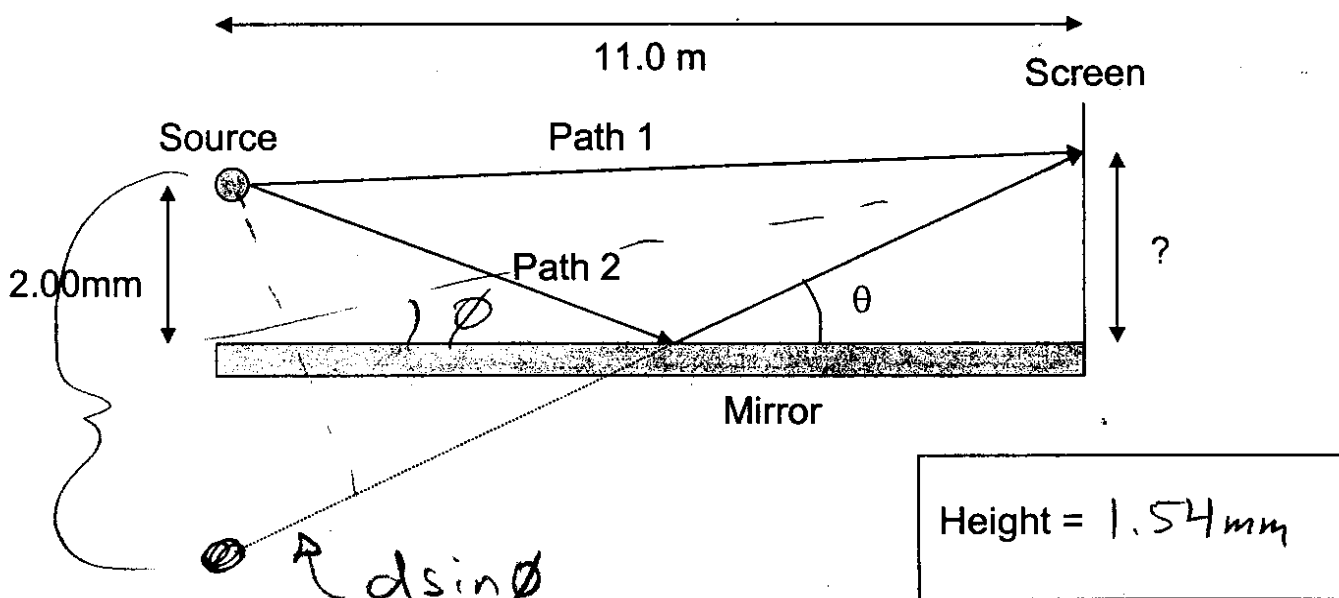
$$\text{Time} = 1.79 \text{ ps}$$

$$\gamma = 22.366$$

$$t_{\text{new}} = \left( \frac{0.012 \text{ m}}{0.999(2.9979 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})} \right) / 22.366$$
$$= 1.792 \times 10^{-12} \text{ s}$$

## 2) Interference (show your work)

A piece of glass ( $n > 1$ ) acts like a very good mirror for light reflected at shallow angles. If we place a source of light a little above the surface of a very large sheet of glass and look at a screen far away from the source, an interference pattern can be seen. If a source of 560nm light is placed 11.0m from the screen and 2.00 mm above the mirror, find the height to the first dark band above the surface of mirror. (Hint: Think about the image the source makes in the "mirror", and make use of some of the machinery you have developed to describe 2 slit interference. Careful! Does the glass cause a phase shift?) (8 pts)



same as other test

$$h = 11.0 \text{ m} \frac{\lambda}{d} = 11.0 \text{ m} \frac{560 \times 10^{-9}}{4 \times 10^{-3}} = 1.54 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$$

Other method (assume height is small)

$$\text{path 1} = \sqrt{11.0^2 + (h - 0.002)^2} \quad \text{path 2} = \sqrt{11.0^2 + (h + 0.002)^2}$$

$$\sim 11.0 \left( 1 - \frac{h \cdot 0.002}{(11.0)^2} \right) \quad \sim 11.0 \left( 1 + \frac{h \cdot 0.002}{(11.0)^2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{path 2} - \text{path 1} \approx \frac{2(h)(0.002)}{11.0} = \lambda \quad \left( \text{already have } \frac{\lambda}{2} \text{ from reflection} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow h = \frac{11.0 \text{ m} (560 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m})}{2 (0.002 \text{ m})} = 1.54 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$$

### 3) Photoelectric Effect (Show your work!)

For this problem you will determine an unknown wavelength, and the work function,  $\phi$ , of the material under test. (Please use  $hc=1239.8 \text{ eVnm}$  from the equation sheet.) You determine that the stopping potential of your test material for light with wavelength of  $270\text{nm}$  is  $3.2\text{V}$  and the stopping potential for light with unknown wavelength is  $0.62\text{V}$ . From your data, determine the unknown wavelength and the work function of the material you are testing. (8 pts)

Other way

$$eV_{\text{stop}} = \frac{hc}{\lambda} - \phi$$

$$\phi = \frac{hc}{\lambda} - eV_{\text{stop}}$$

$$= \frac{1239.8 \text{ eVnm}}{270 \text{ nm}} - 3.2 \text{ eV}$$

$$= 1.392 \text{ eV}$$

$$\frac{hc}{\lambda} = eV_{\text{stop}} + \phi$$

$$\lambda = \frac{hc}{eV_{\text{stop}} + \phi}$$

$$= \frac{1239.8 \text{ eVnm}}{0.62 \text{ eV} + 1.392 \text{ eV}}$$

$$= 616.2 \text{ nm}$$

$\lambda = 616.2 \text{ nm}$
$\phi = 1.392 \text{ eV}$

#### 4) Compton Effect (Show your work!)

At what photon scattering angle is the **electron kinetic energy** a maximum? (8 pts. A correct answer with no supporting work here will receive only 2 pts. Hint: If you are stuck, just try some angles and look at the trend to predict the maximum.) At this angle, what is the **energy,  $E'$** , of the **scattered photon** in terms of the initial photon energy,  $E_0$ ? (4 pts.) Note: An energy of zero is not acceptable for the scattered photon or the electron!

Compton Scattering

$$\lambda' - \lambda_0 = \frac{hc}{m_e c^2} (1 - \cos \phi)$$

$$KE_{\text{electron}} = E_0 - E'$$

$$\theta = \pi, 180^\circ$$

$$E' = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{E_0} + \frac{2}{m_e c^2}\right)}$$

Want to minimize  $E'$  or maximize  $\lambda'$   
occurs @  $\phi = 180^\circ$  ( $\cos \phi = -1$ )  $\lambda' - \lambda$  is max

or

$$\frac{1}{E'} - \lambda_0 = \frac{1}{m_e c^2} - \frac{\cos \phi}{m_e c^2}$$

not possible!

$$\{ E'^2 = 0$$

differentiate

$$-\frac{dE'}{E'^2} = \frac{\sin \phi}{m_e c^2} d\phi$$

$$\frac{dE'}{d\phi} = -\frac{E'^2}{m_e c^2} \sin \phi$$

extreme points @  
 $\phi = 0, \pi, 2\pi$   
max  
minima

$$@ \phi = \pi \quad 1 - \cos \phi = 2$$

$$\lambda' = \lambda_0 + 2 \frac{hc}{m_e c^2} = \frac{hc}{E'}$$

$$E' = \frac{hc}{\frac{hc}{E_0} + 2 \frac{hc}{m_e c^2}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{E_0} + \frac{2}{m_e c^2}}$$