

Interference Constructive - Destructive

2-slit



single slit



diff. grating reflection

Note: λ difference = 0 difference

$$\frac{\lambda}{2} \rightarrow \textit{destructive} \quad \lambda \rightarrow \textit{constructive}$$

+ n λ same condition

$$\Delta \ell = d \sin \theta \qquad \Delta \ell = \frac{d}{2} \sin \theta$$

$$\text{reflection effect} \quad \text{tot. inter.} = \text{reflection} + \text{path length} \\ \text{effect} \quad \text{effect} \quad \text{effect}$$

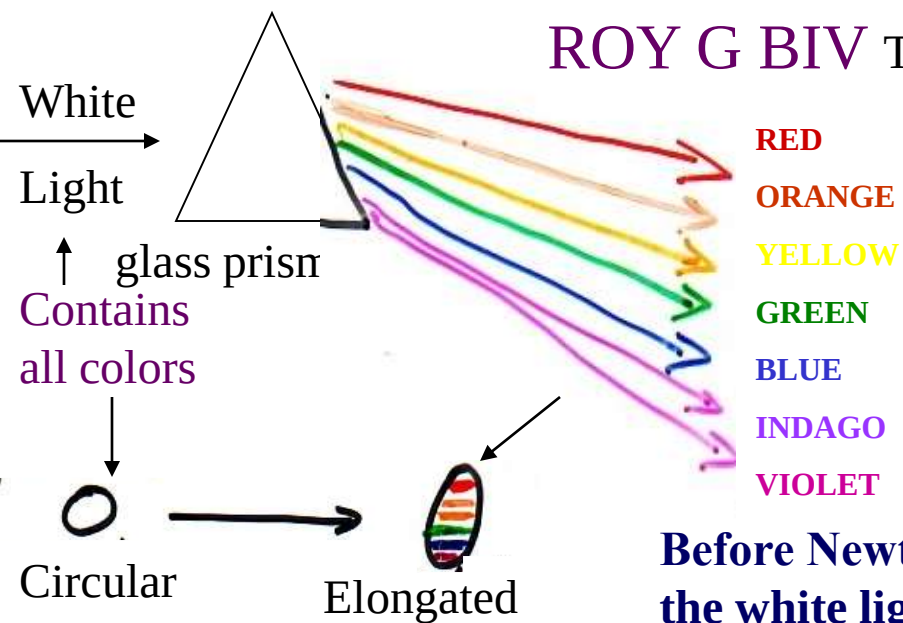
n increase - $\lambda/2$

n decrease- no change

Newton-1666 Woolsthorpe Eng.

Prism separates light into its component colors
[different wavelength]

ROY G BIV To help remember



Before Newton it was thought that the glass ‘darkened’
the white light into colors.

Newton’s proof of separating idea:



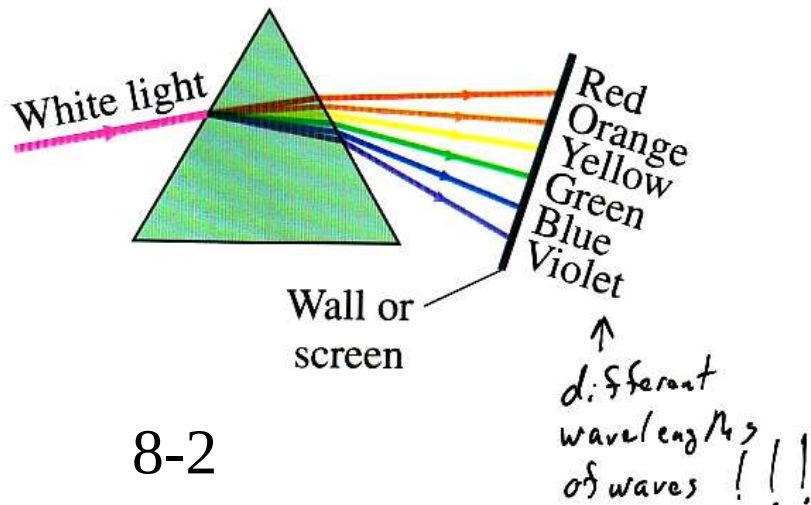
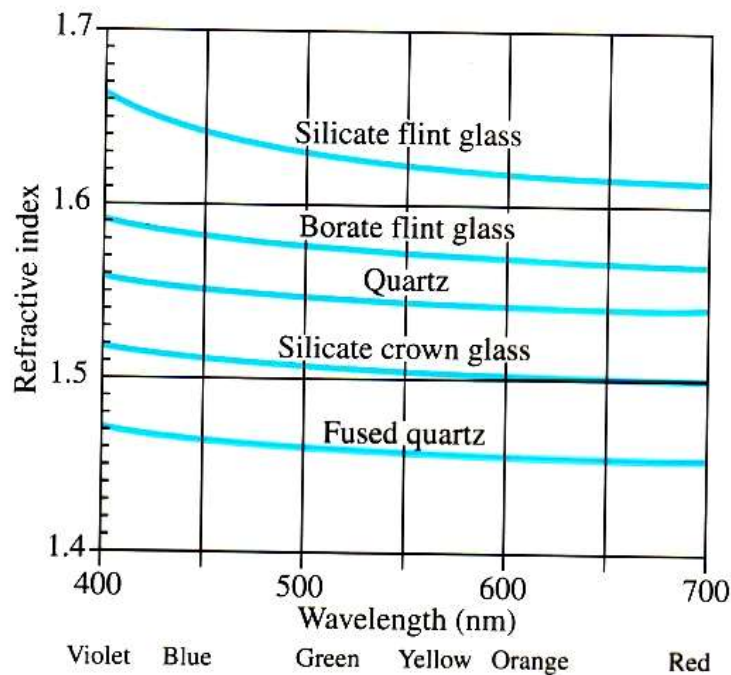
The Baroque Cycle

Neal Stephenson

Unusual characters !!

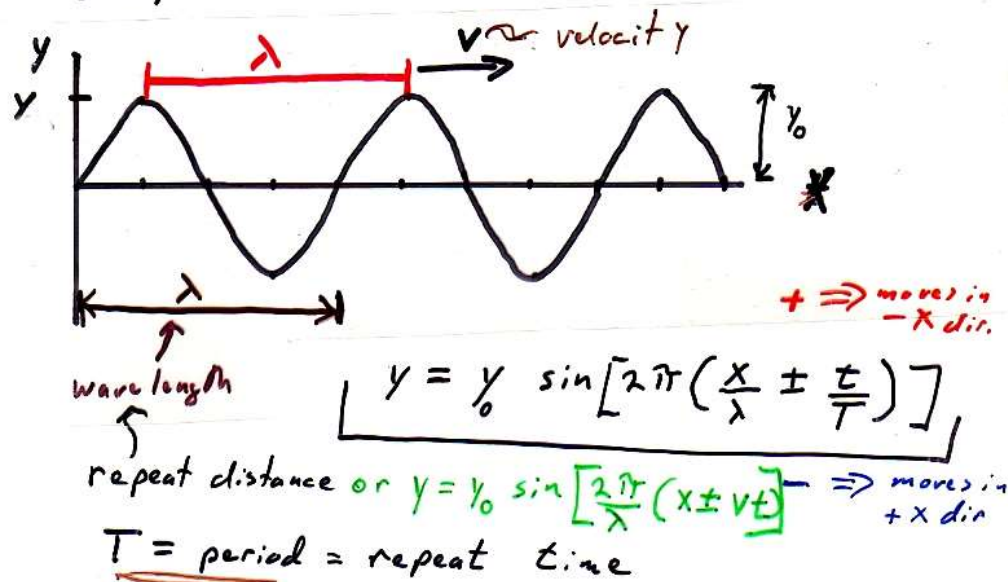
Newton...

The index of refraction and dispersion



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Simple Harmonic Wave



Sine wave in space and time

$$\text{ie/ } t=0 \Rightarrow y = y_0 \sin \left[2\pi \left(\frac{x}{\lambda} \right) \right]$$

$$x=0 \Rightarrow y = y_0 \sin \left[2\pi \left(\frac{t}{T} \right) \right]$$

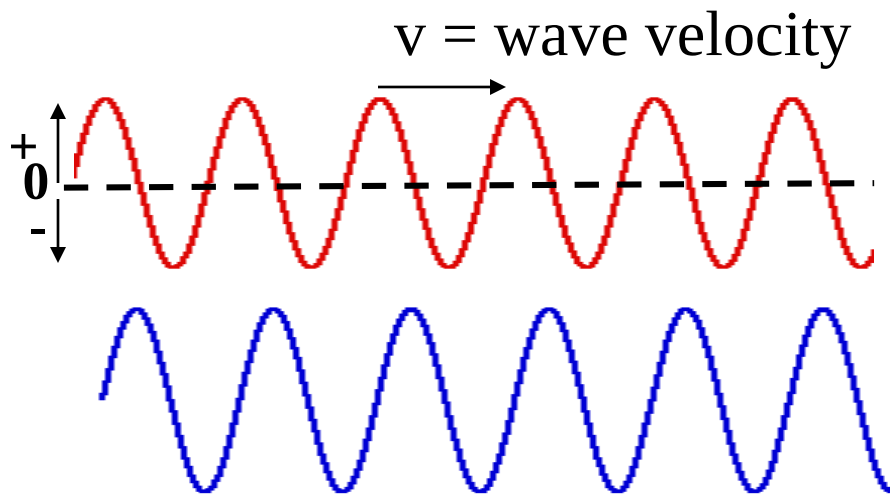
$$v = \lambda \frac{1}{T} = \lambda f \quad f = \frac{1}{T}$$

f = frequency $\frac{1}{s} = Hz$

E & M Radiation

$$E = E_0 \sin \left[2\pi \left(\frac{x}{\lambda} \pm \frac{t}{T} \right) \right] !!$$

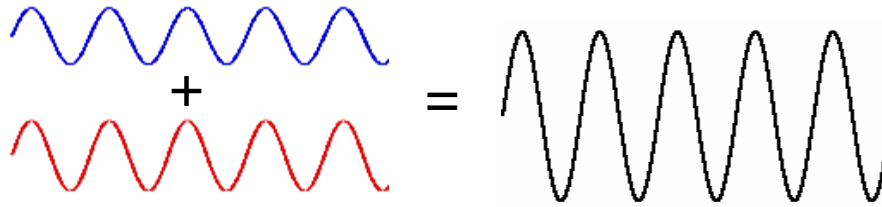
electric field
(and magnetic field)



Add up 2 waves point by point

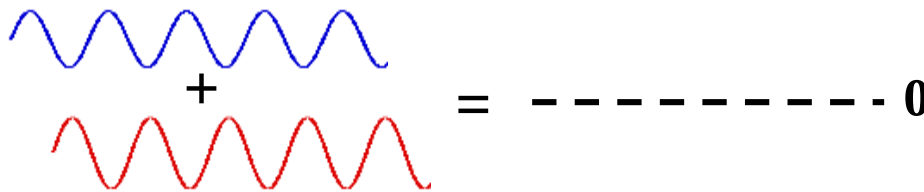
Interference – partial/total cancellation/increase

Constructive Interference



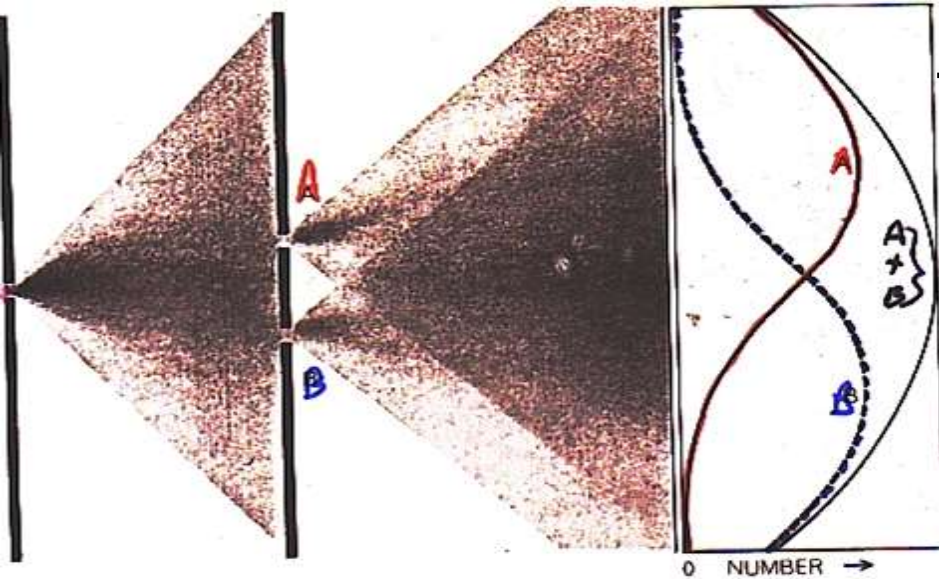
anything in-between

Destructive Interference

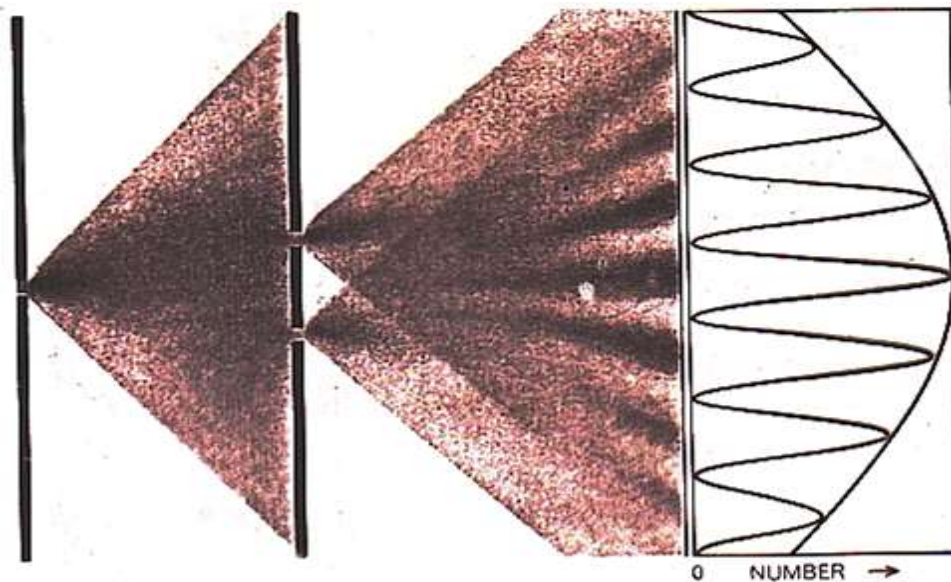


Corpuscular or particle theory of light

2 particle sources add in simple way
(Newton believed this)



CLASSICAL PARTICLE DESCRIPTION of the two-slit experiment would say that the distribution of all particles that arrive at the screen is the sum (black curve) of the distribution curves for particles from the upper slit (solid color) and lower slit (broken color).



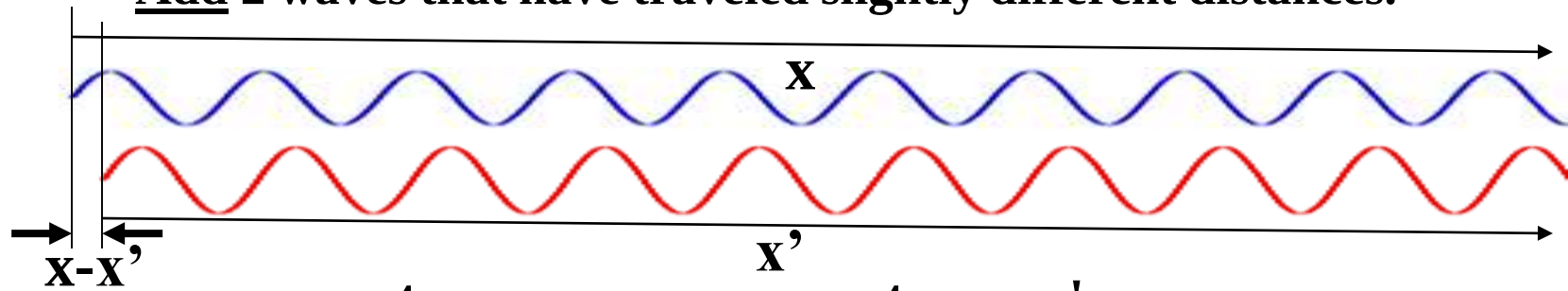
QUANTUM PARTICLE DESCRIPTION says the distribution of particles will show a distribution pattern typical of wave phenomena, but only if each particle can go through both slits. Observation shows clearly that this description, and not the classical one, is correct.

Christian Huygens proposed
Wave theory of light (correct)

2 wave sources
interference yields large intensity
oscillations

Thomas Young
did the experiment 1801
observed light-wave interference

Add 2 waves that have traveled slightly different distances.



$$\text{Sum} = E_0 \sin\left(2\pi \frac{t}{T} + 2\pi \frac{x}{\lambda}\right) + E_0 \sin\left(2\pi \frac{t}{T} + 2\pi \frac{x'}{\lambda}\right)$$

⇓

trig. identity

$$\sin \theta + \sin \theta' = 2 \sin\left(\frac{\theta + \theta'}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\theta - \theta'}{2}\right)$$

$$\text{Sum} = 2E_0 \cos\left(\pi \frac{x - x'}{\lambda}\right) \sin\left(2\pi \frac{t}{T} + \pi \frac{x + x'}{\lambda}\right)$$

Big difference with small $x - x'$!!

time dependence same with zero shift

forget time term

i.e. time average squared

$$I = [2E_0]^2 \cos^2\left(\pi \frac{x - x'}{\lambda}\right)$$

$$\frac{x - x'}{\lambda} = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 \dots m$$

$$\cos(m\pi) = \pm 1$$

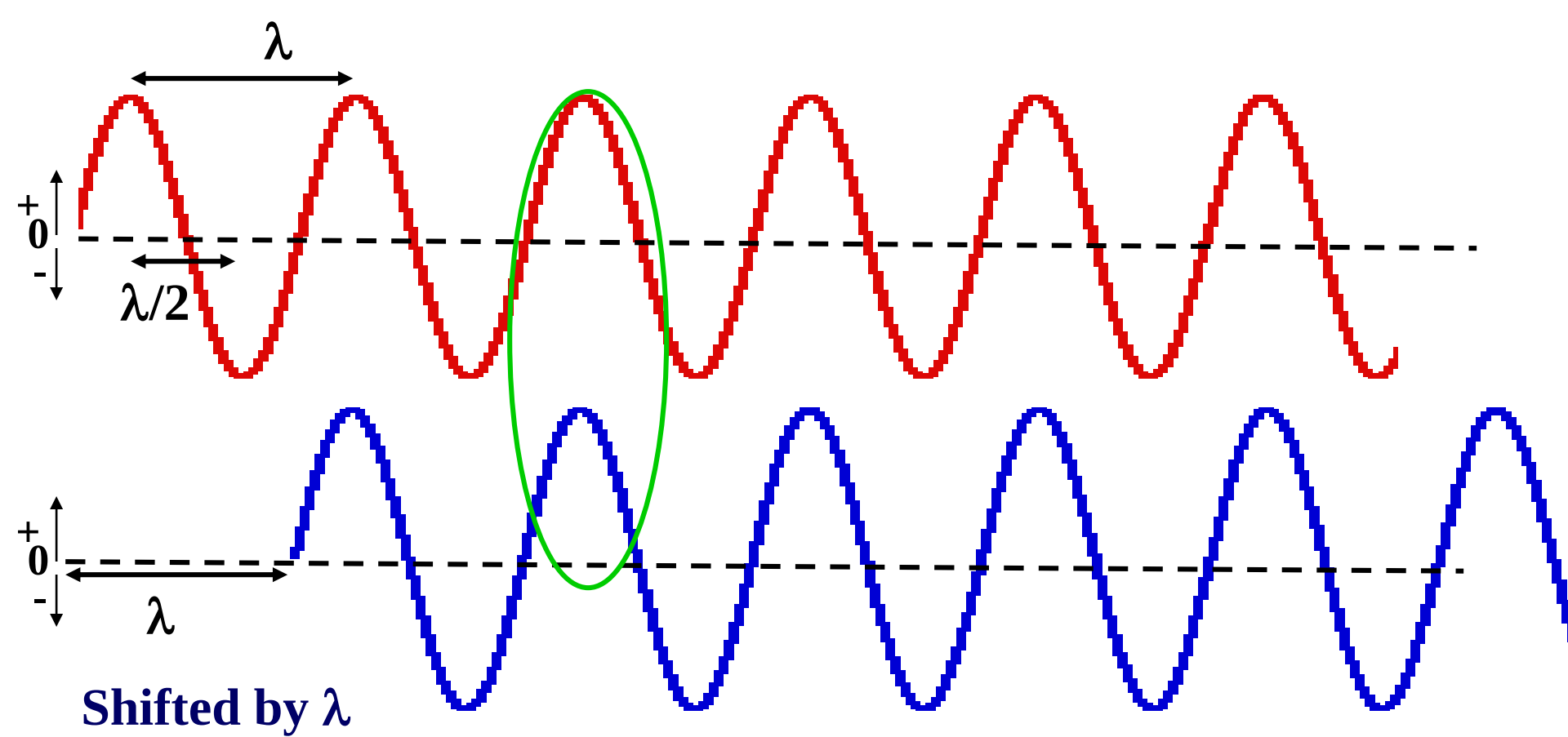
constructive interference

$$\frac{x - x'}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{5}{2}, \dots \frac{n}{2}$$

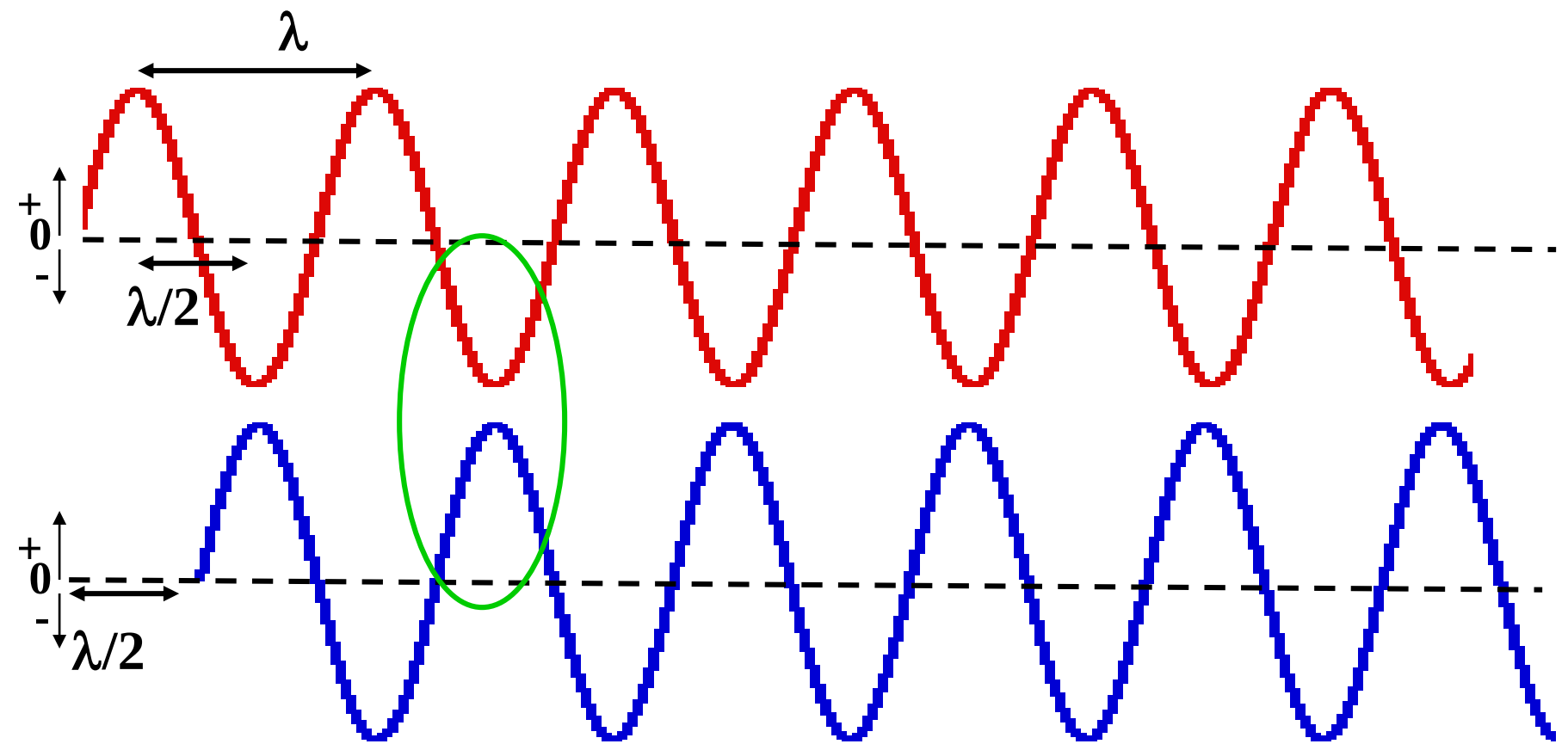
$$\cos(n\pi / 2) = 0$$

n odd !

destructive interference



$$(+A) + (+A) = 2A \quad \text{Constructive interference}$$



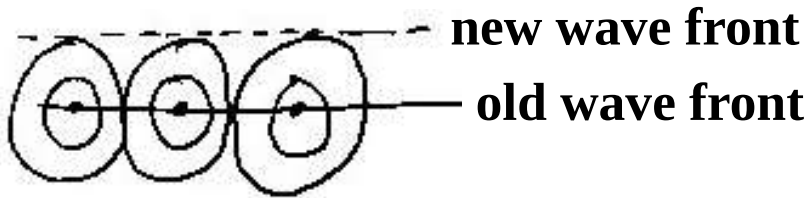
Shifted by $\lambda/2$

$$(+A) + (-A) = 0$$

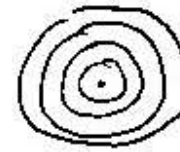
Destructive interference

Huygens' Principle

Generate how wave propagates
by summing up point sources



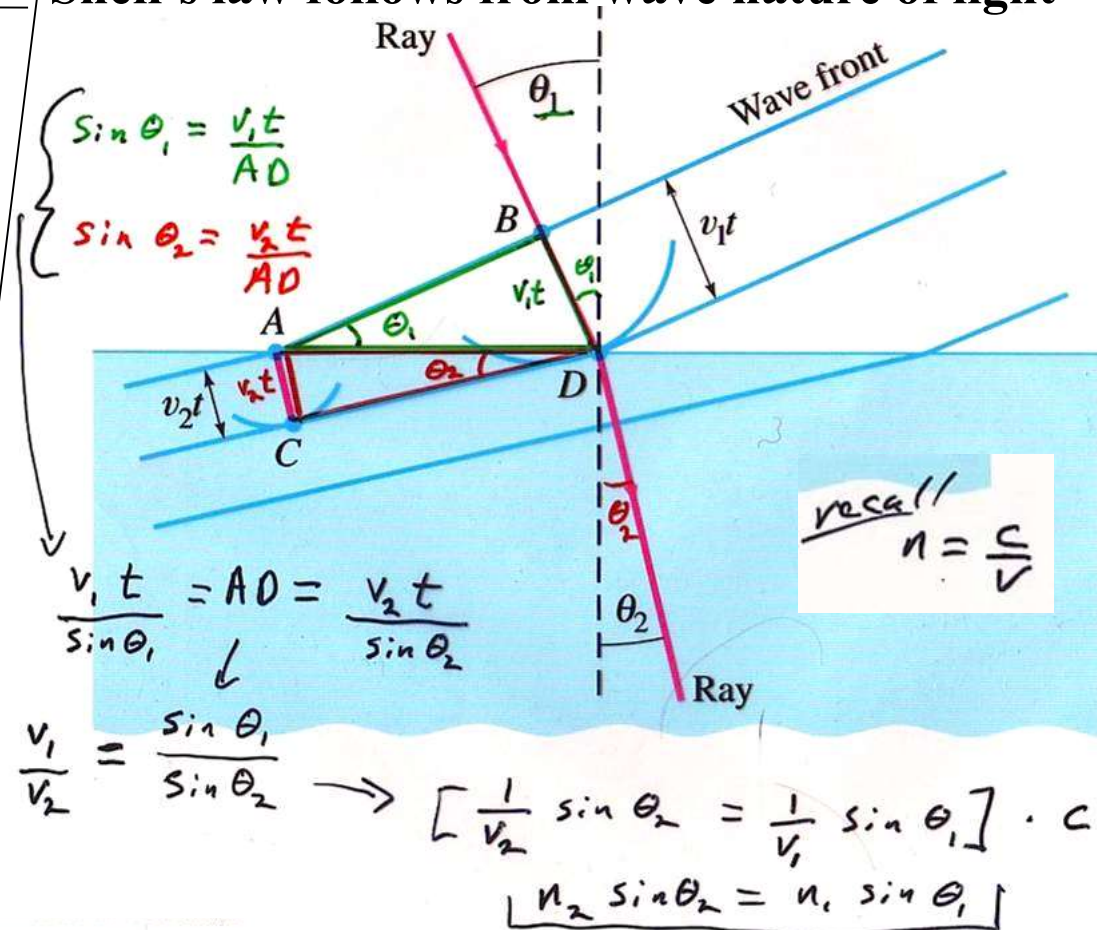
Huygens' point source



wave fronts (maxima)
propagate in
spherical shells

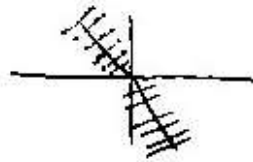
<http://arana.cabrillo.edu/~jmccullough/Applets/Flash/Optics/Refraction.swf>

Snell's law follows from wave nature of light



Generate all
of geometrical optics!!!

- ① Reflection $\theta_i = \theta_r$
- ② Refraction $n_1 \sin \theta_1 = n_2 \sin \theta_2$



$$n_1 = 1 \quad c$$

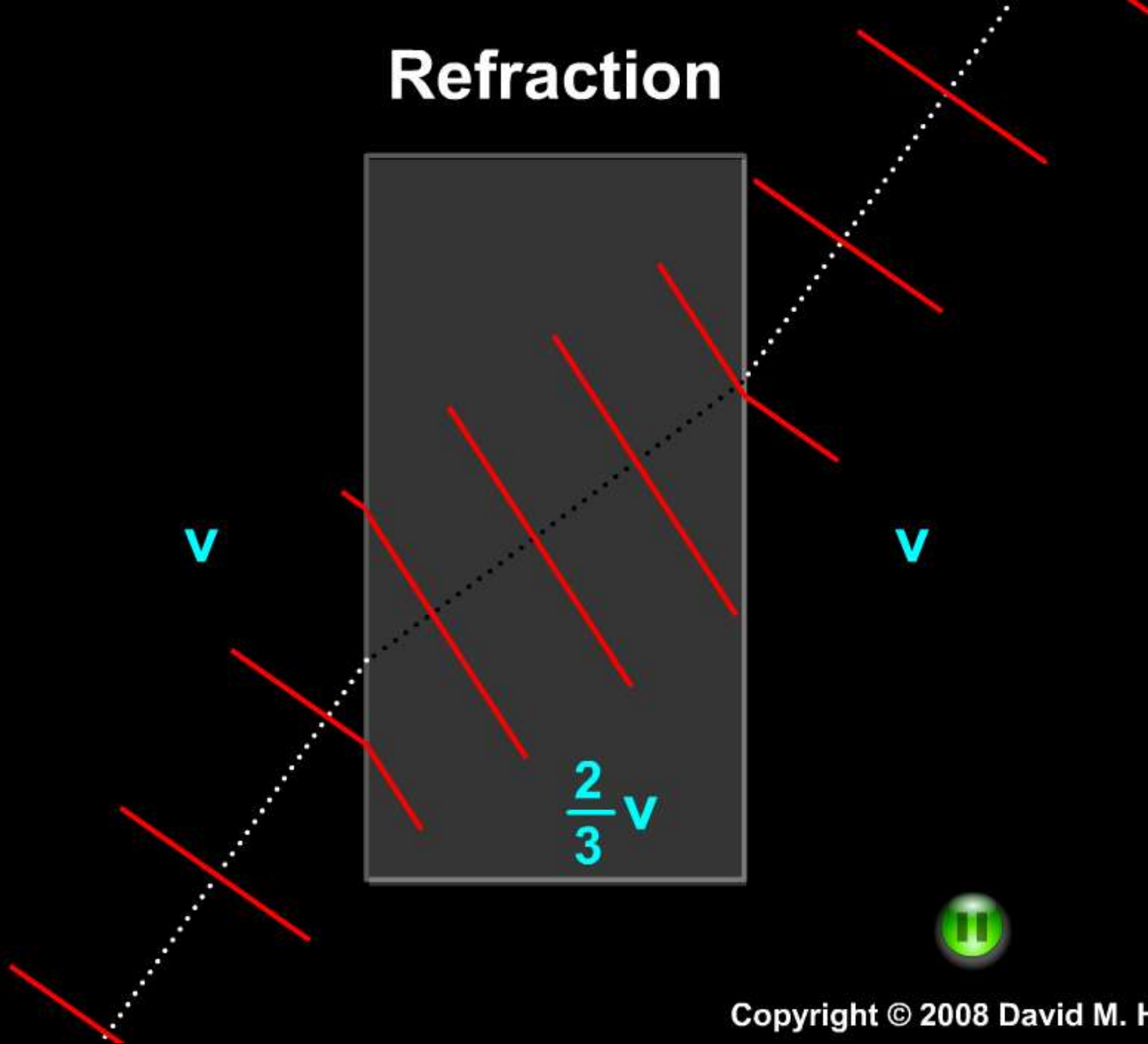
$$n_2 \quad v_2 = \frac{c}{n}$$

$$\lambda_2 = \frac{\lambda}{n}$$

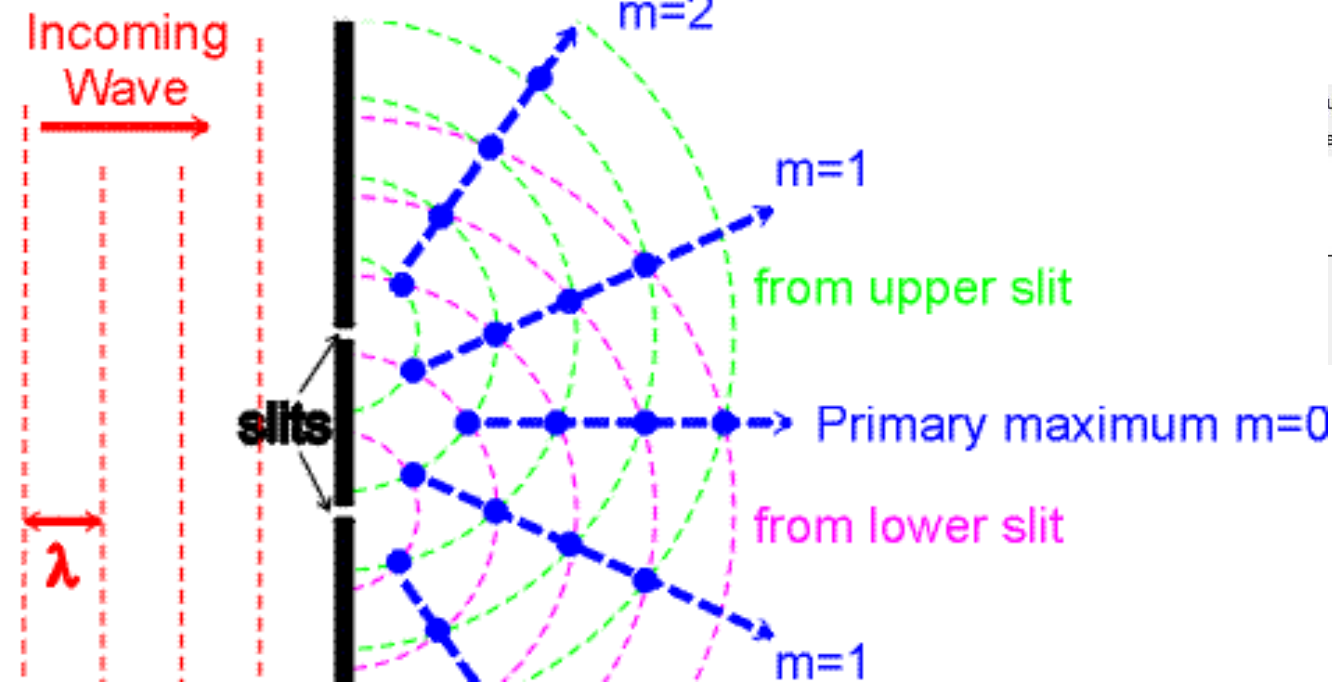
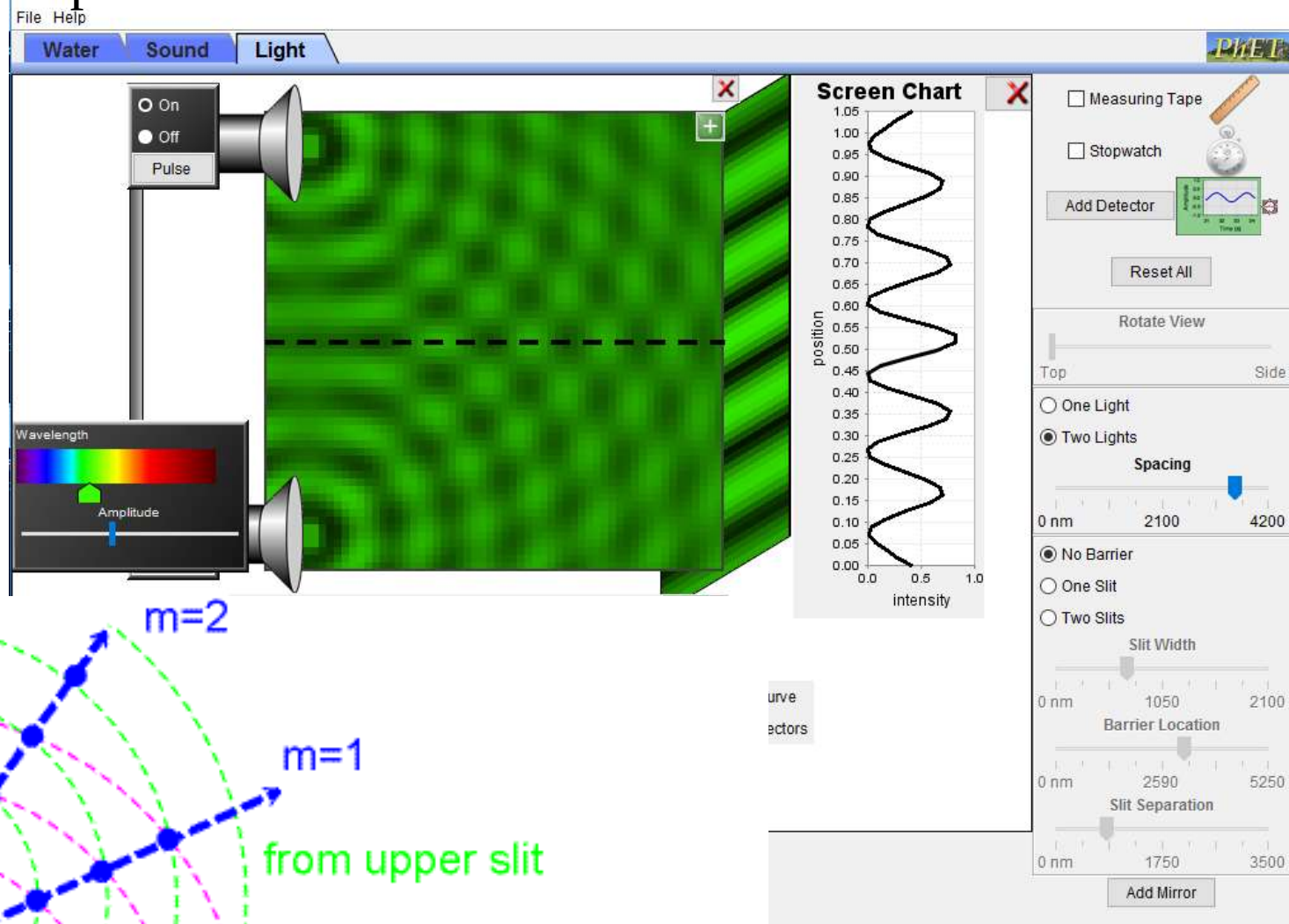
$$c = \lambda f$$

$$v_1 = \lambda_1 f$$

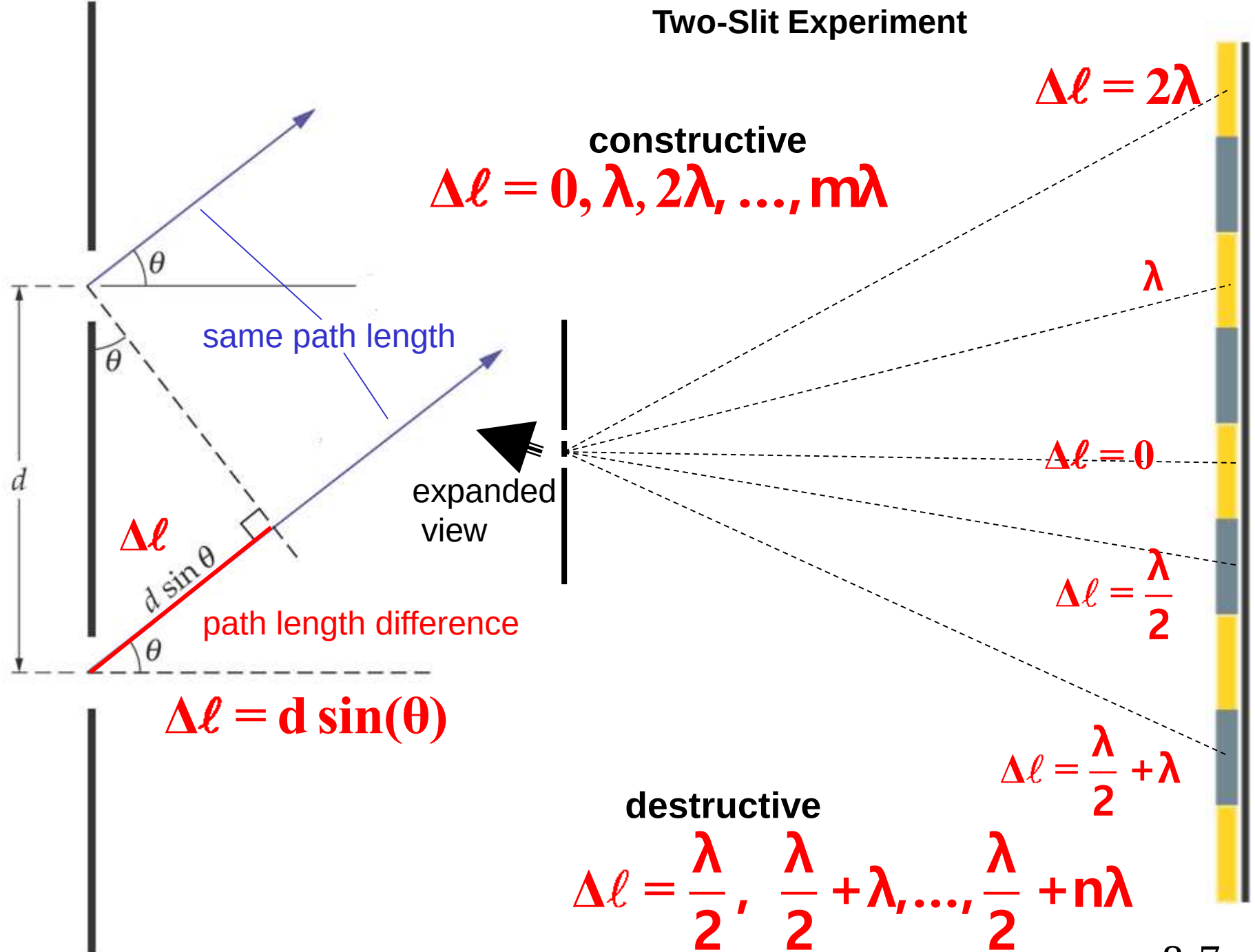
Refraction



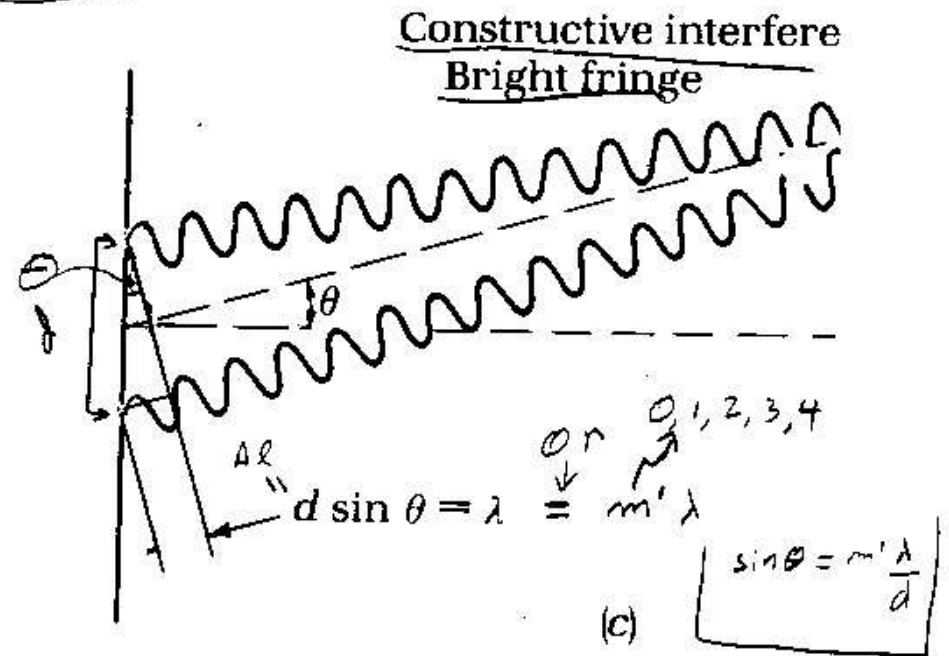
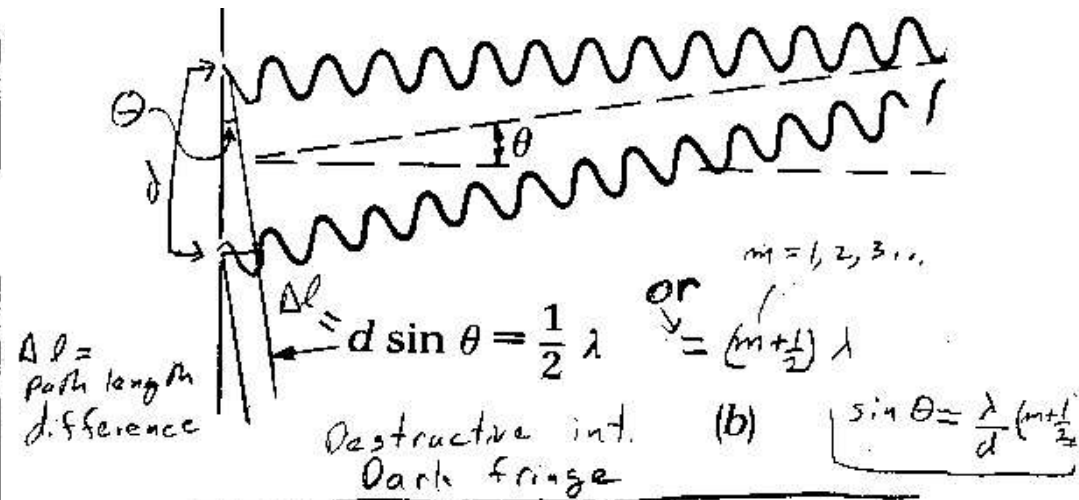
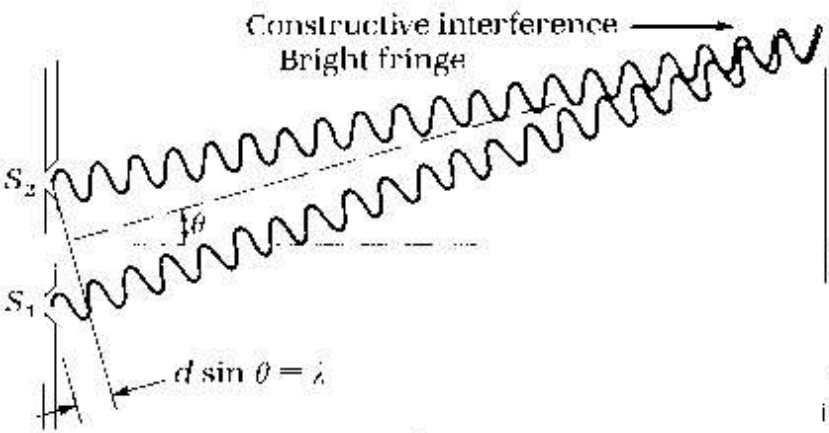
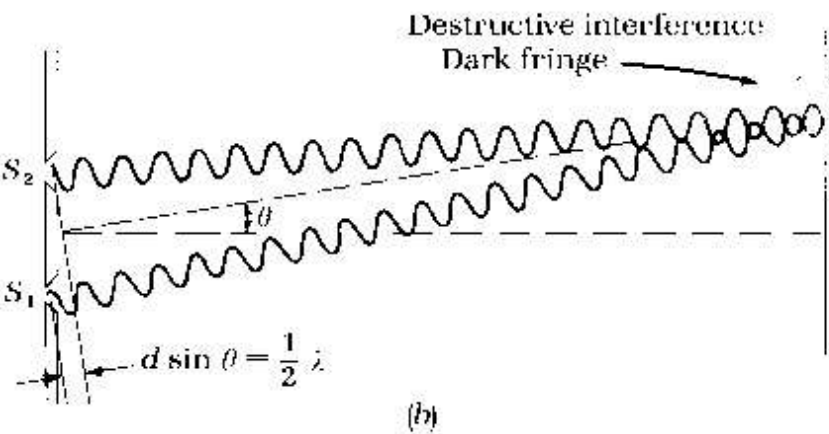
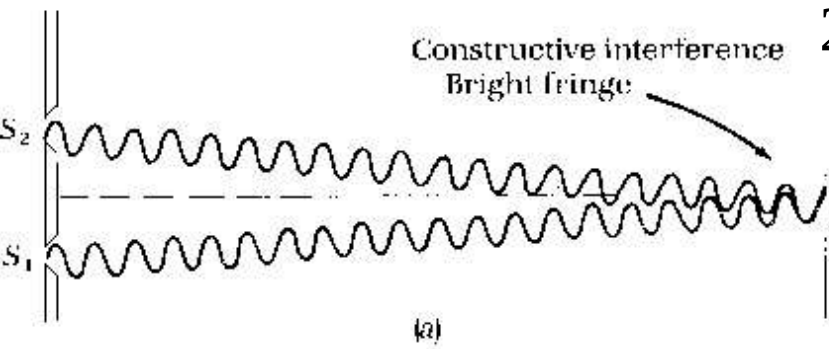
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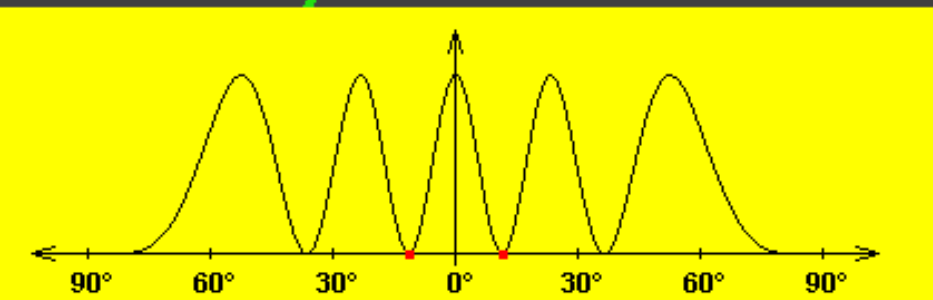
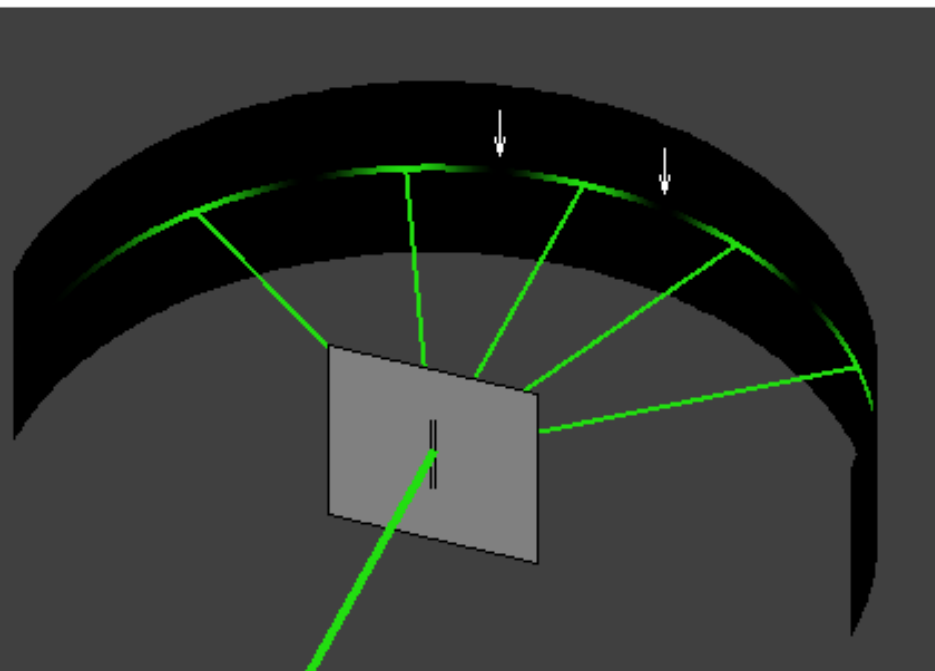
Two-Slit Experiment



2-slit interference



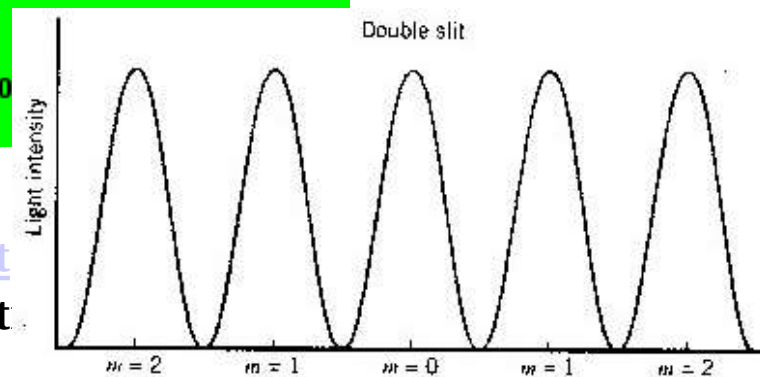
Interference of Light at a Double Slit



Wavelength: 517 nm
Spacing between slits: 1305 nm
Angle: 11.4°
Maxima: 0.0° ($k = 0$)
Minima: 11.4° ($k = 0$)
Relative intensity: 0.000

☐ Interference pattern
☒ Intensity profile

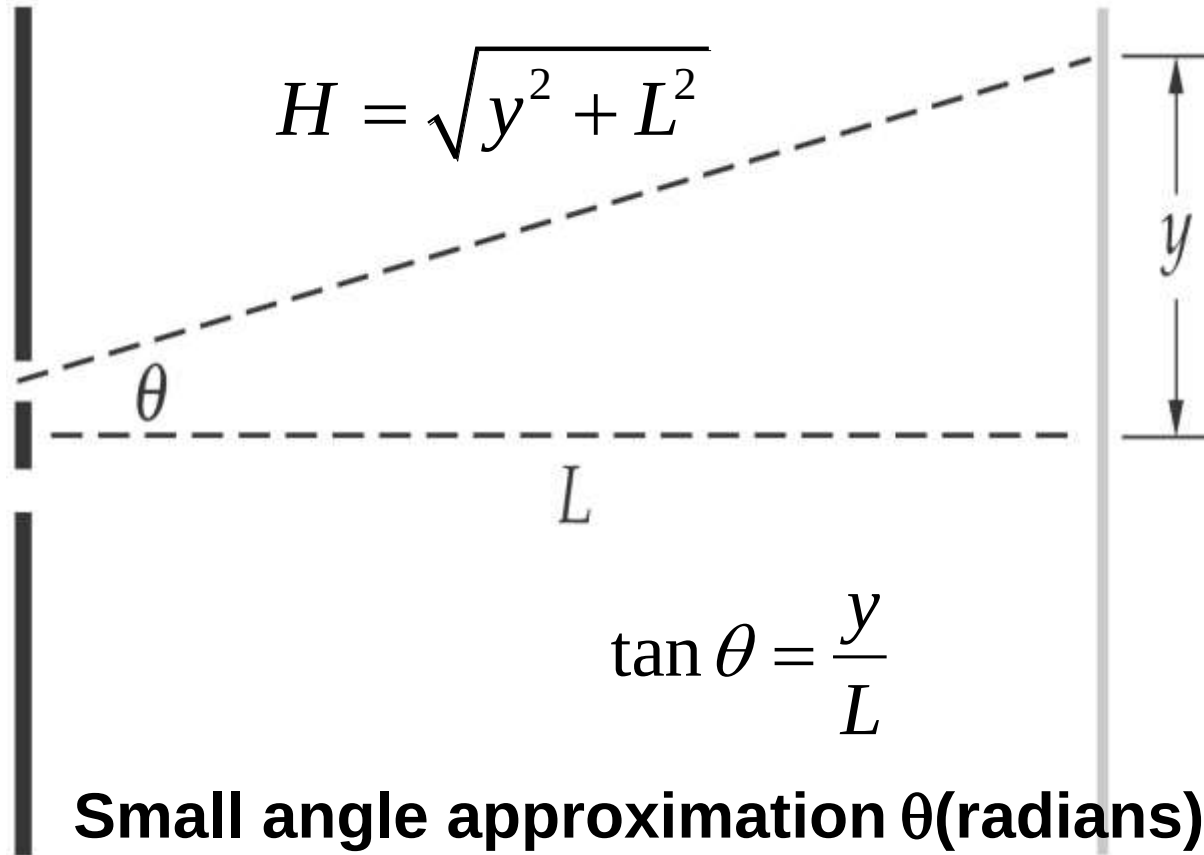
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Linear Distance in an Interference Pattern



Small angle approximation θ (radians) $\ll .1$

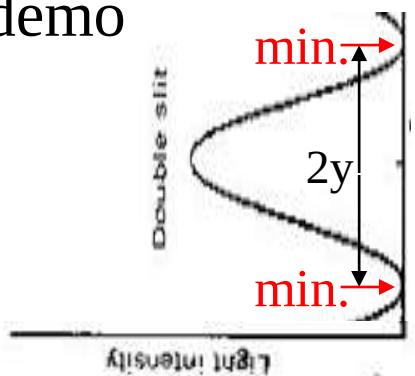
$y \ll H$ or L

$$\tan \theta \approx \sin \theta \approx \theta \approx \frac{y}{H} \approx \frac{y}{L}$$

2-slit interference demo

Measure $2y \sim \underline{2\text{ cm}}$

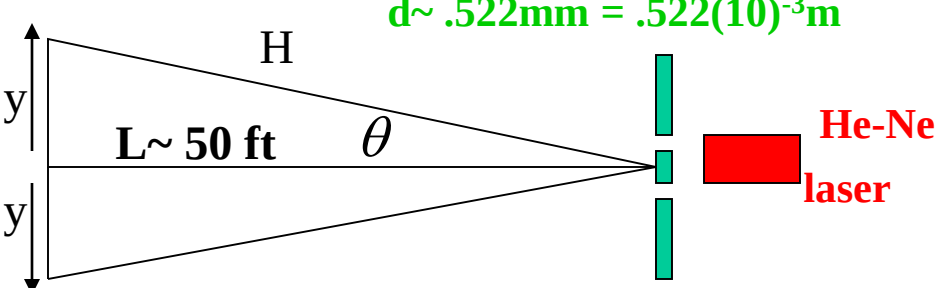
$\Rightarrow y \sim .1\text{m}$



$$L = 50\text{ ft} \frac{12\text{ in}}{1\text{ ft}} \frac{2.54\text{ cm}}{1\text{ m}} \frac{1\text{ m}}{100\text{ cm}} = 15.24\text{ m}$$

$$d \sin \theta = \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

Two-Slit Interference



$$\sin \theta = \frac{y}{H}$$

$$\lambda = 632.8\text{ nm} = 6.33(10)^{-7}\text{ m}$$

small angle approx.
 $H \approx L$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{\lambda}{d} \frac{1}{2} = \frac{y}{H}$$

$$y = \frac{L\lambda}{2d} = \frac{(15.24) 6.33(10)^{-7}}{2(.522)(10)^{-3}}\text{ m}$$

$$= 92.4(10)^{-7+3}\text{ m}$$

$$= .924(10)^{-7+3+2}\text{ m}$$

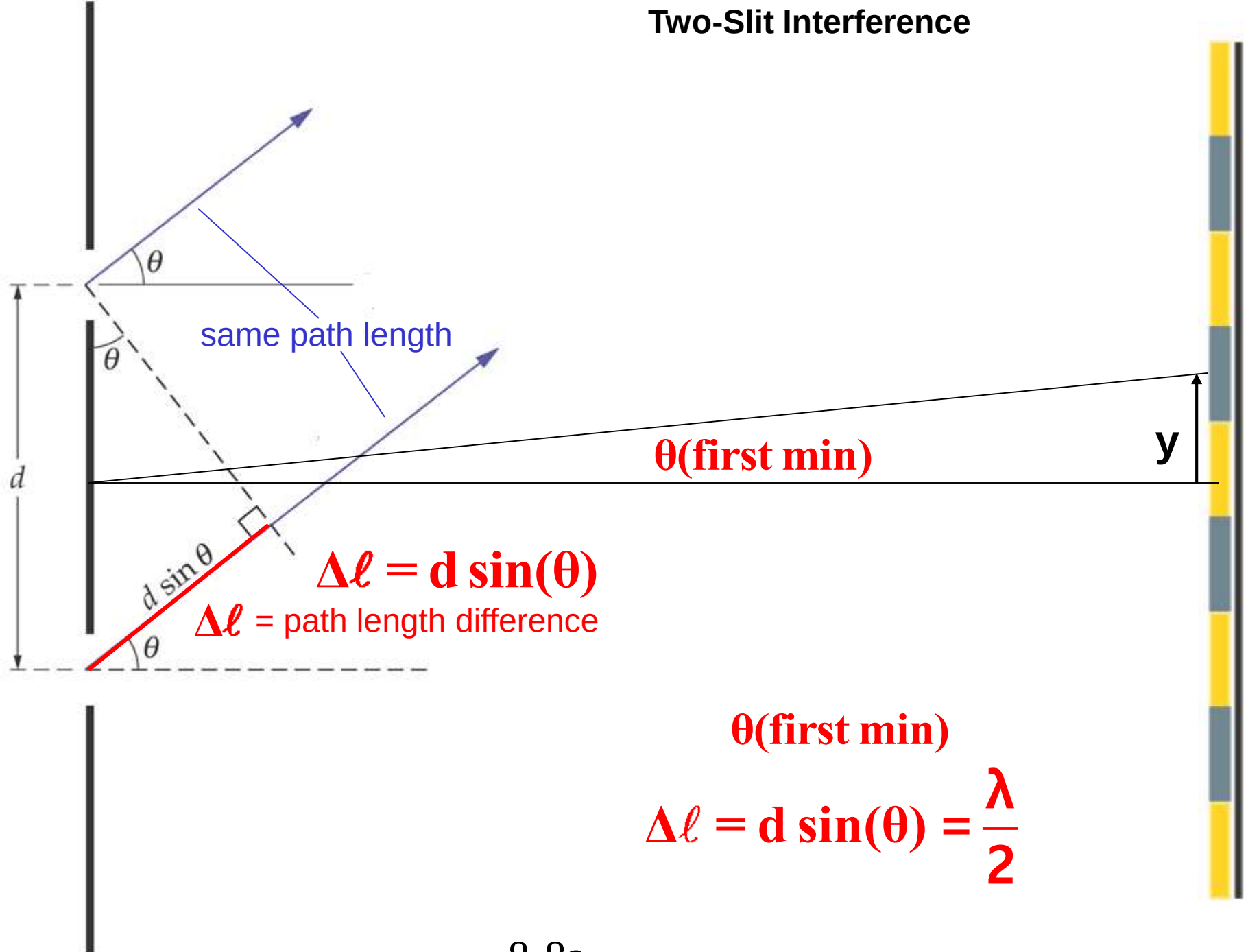
$$y = .924(10)^{-2}\text{ m}$$

$$y = .924\text{ cm}$$

expect

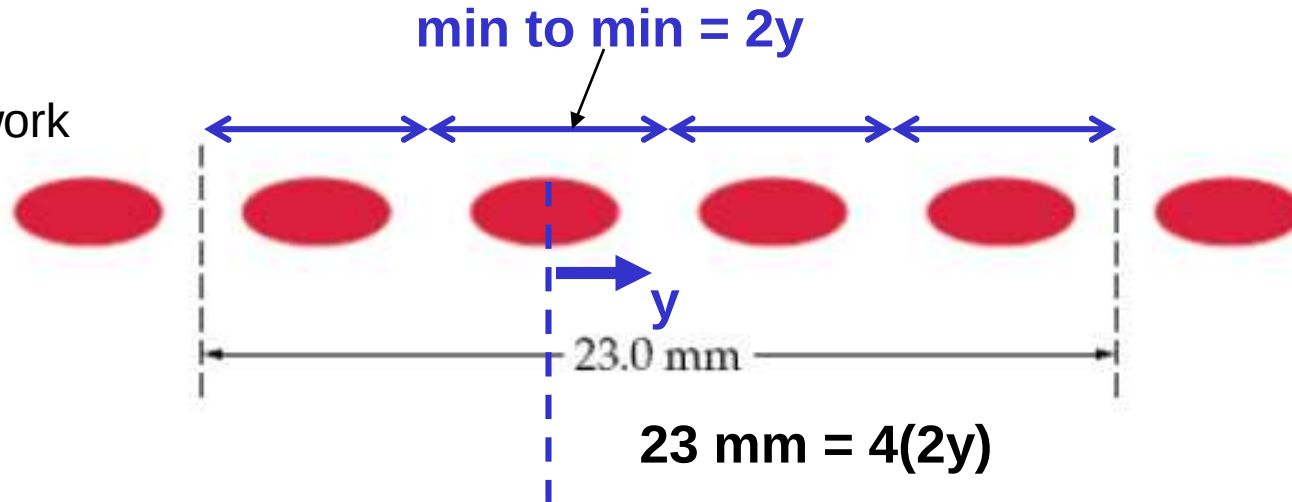
$$1\text{ nm} = (10)^{-9}\text{ m}$$

Two-Slit Interference



Two-Slit Interference

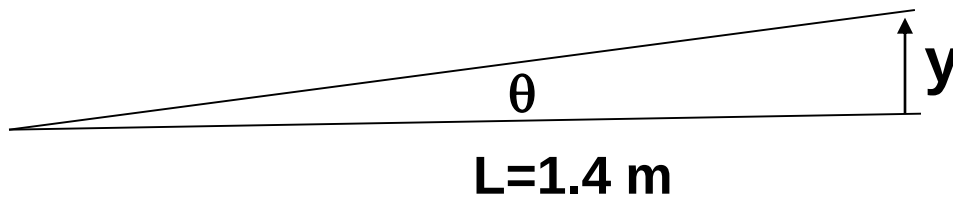
homework



$$23 \text{ mm} = 4(2y)$$

$$8y = 23 (10)^{-3} \text{ m}$$

$$y = 2.875 (10)^{-3} \text{ m} \quad \text{Use to find } \sin(\theta)$$



$$\tan(\theta) = y/L = 2.875 (10)^{-3} / 1.4$$

$$\tan(\theta) = y/L = 2.05 (10)^{-3}$$

$$\tan(\theta) \sim \sin(\theta) \text{ here}$$

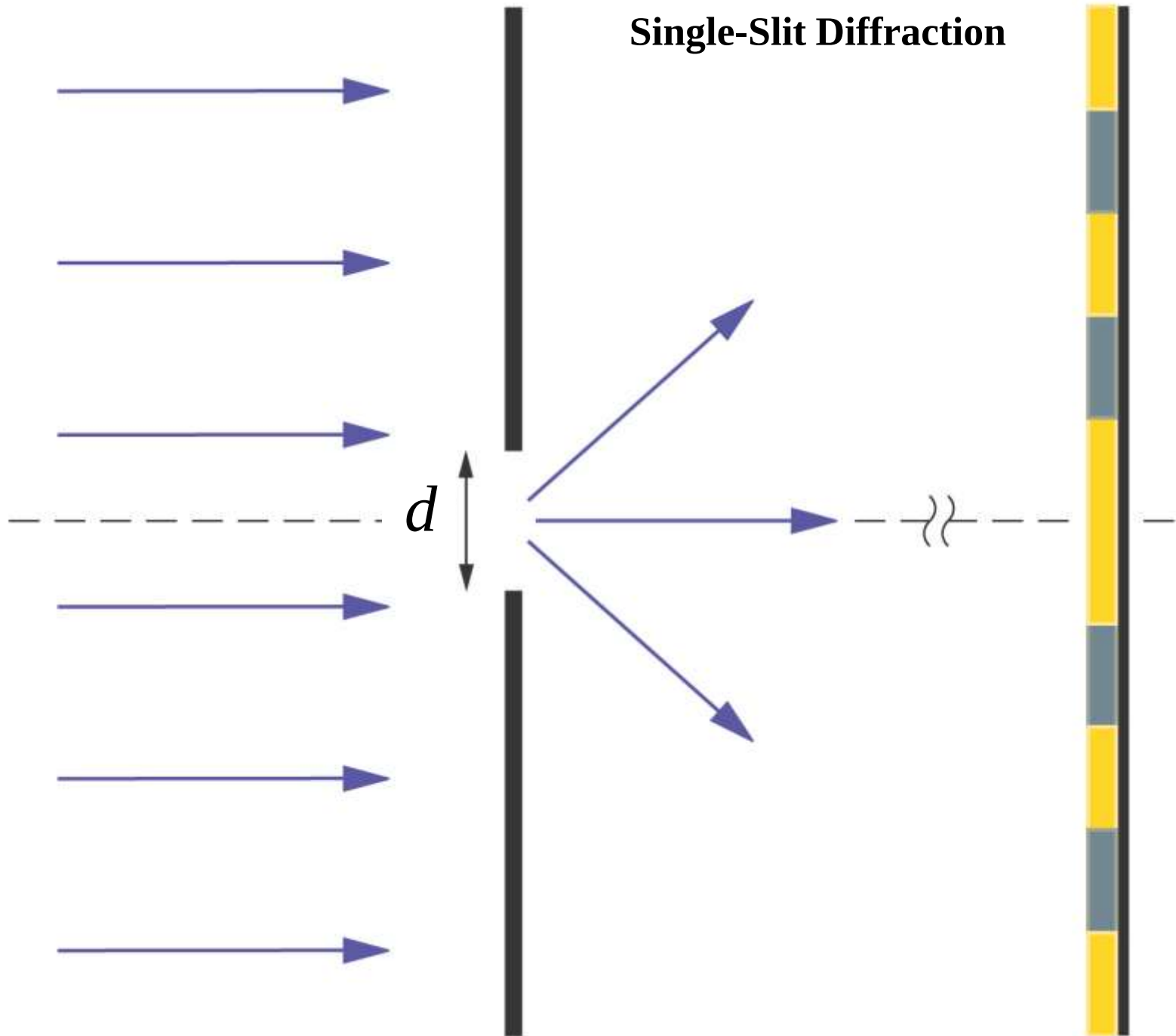
$$d \sin(\theta) = \lambda/2$$

$$d = \lambda / [2 \sin(\theta)]$$

$$d = 632.9 (10)^{-9} / [2 (2.05 (10)^{-3})]$$

$$= 632.9 (10)^{-9} / 4.1 (10^3) = 154 (10)^{-6} \text{ m}$$

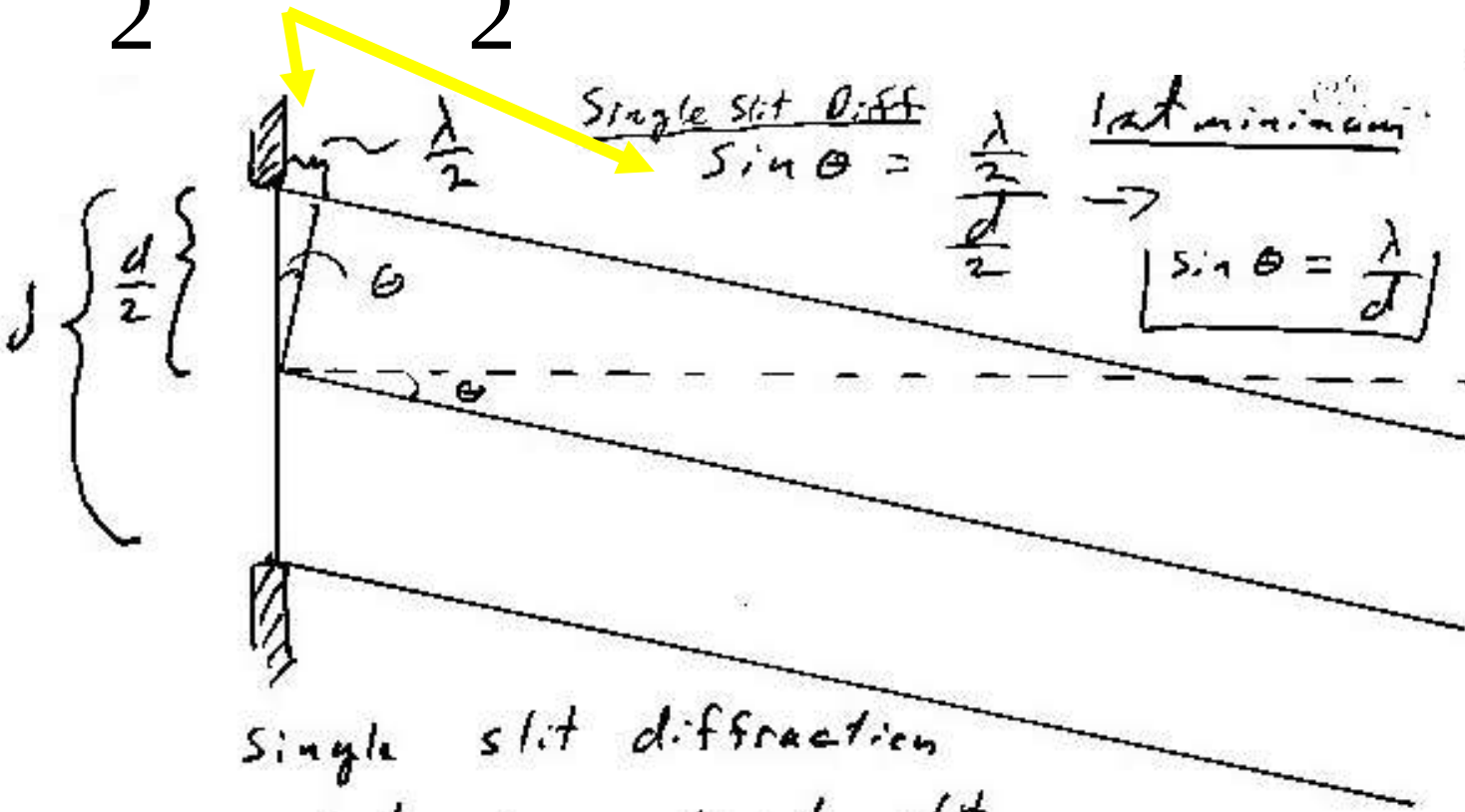
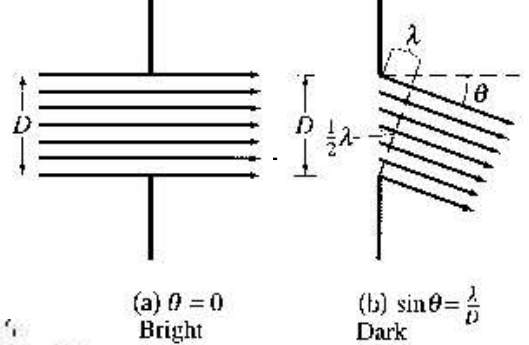
Single-Slit Diffraction



Single Slit Diffraction

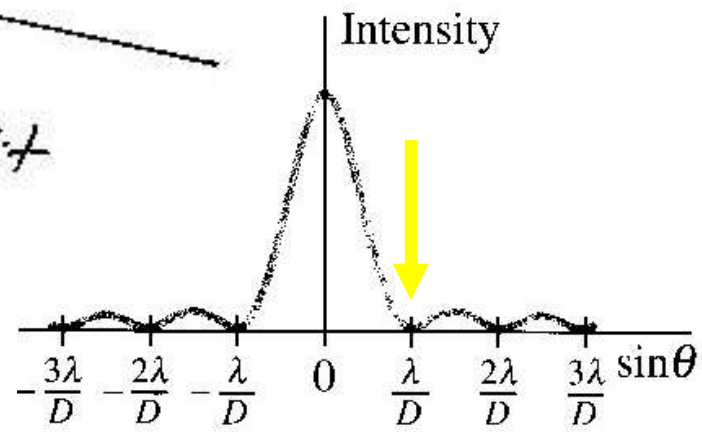
First minimum

$$\frac{d}{2} \sin \theta = \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

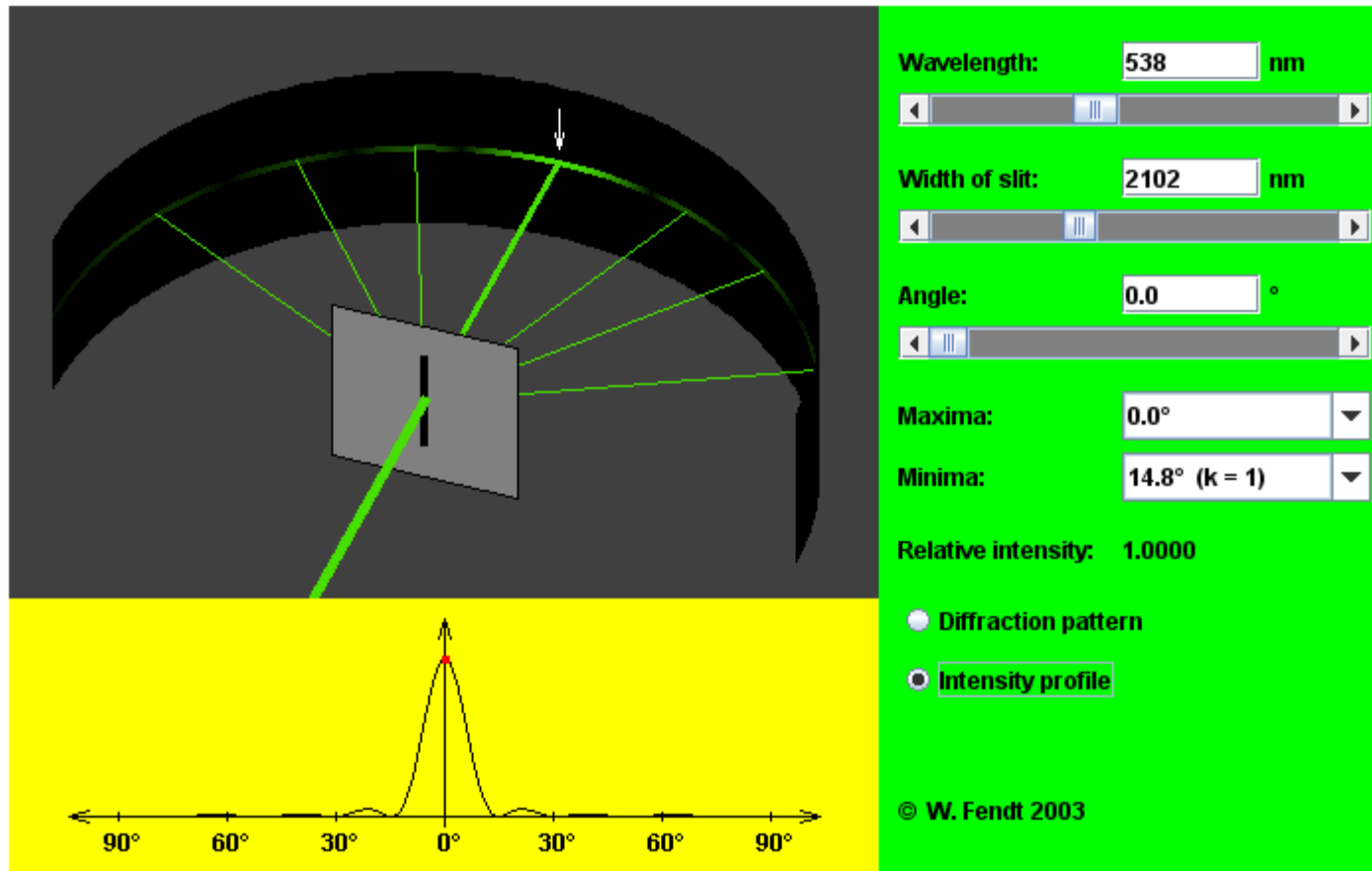


Single slit diffraction
1st min. top $\frac{1}{2}$ slit
cancels bottom $\frac{1}{2}$ slit

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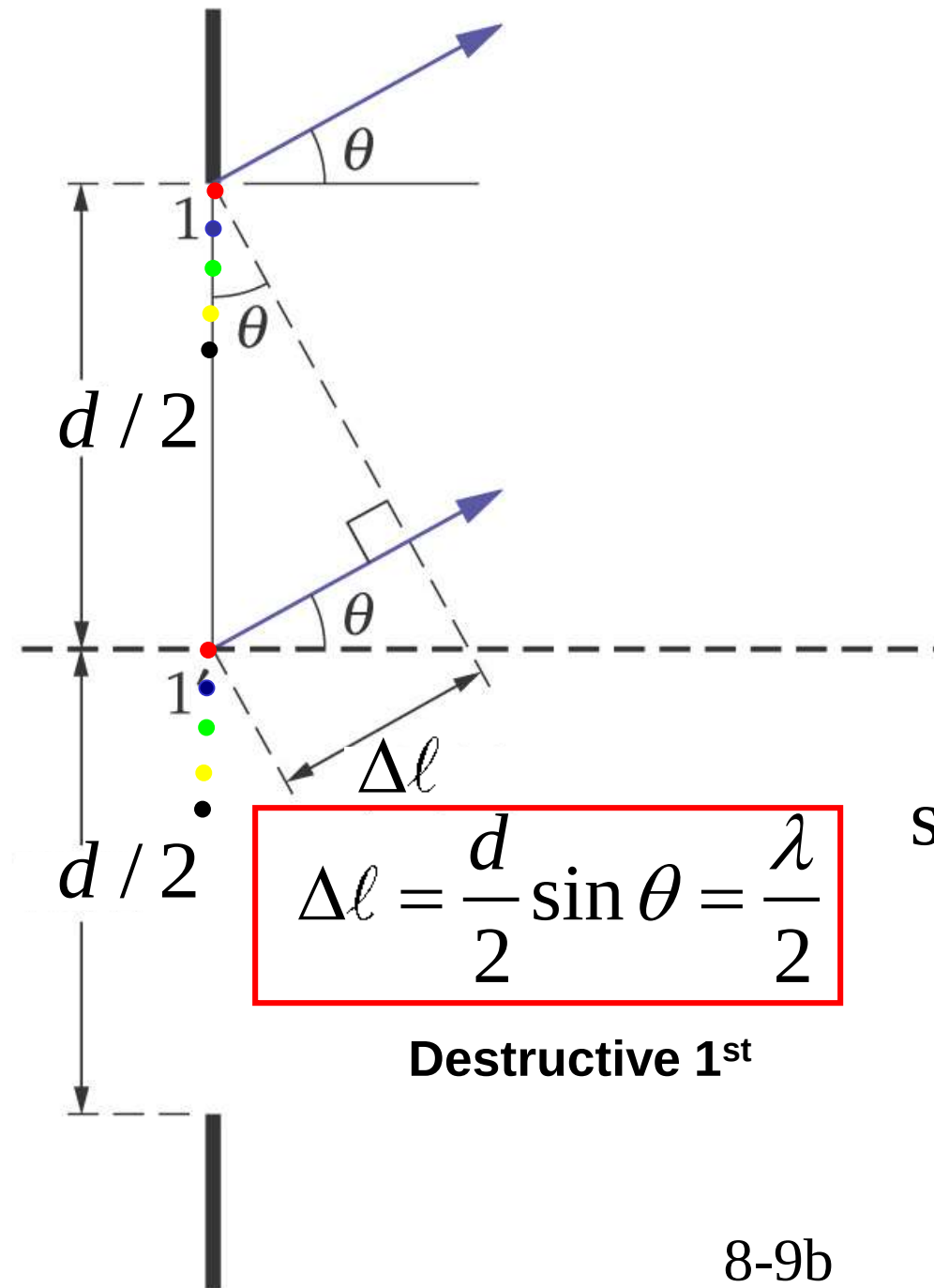
Diffraction of Light by a Single Slit



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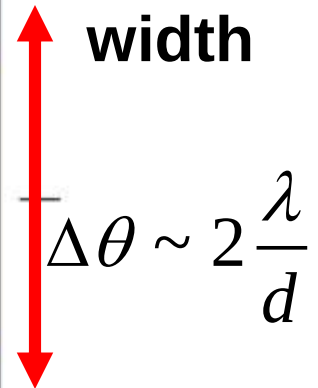
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Single-Slit Diffraction



$$\sin \theta = \frac{\lambda}{d} \rightarrow$$

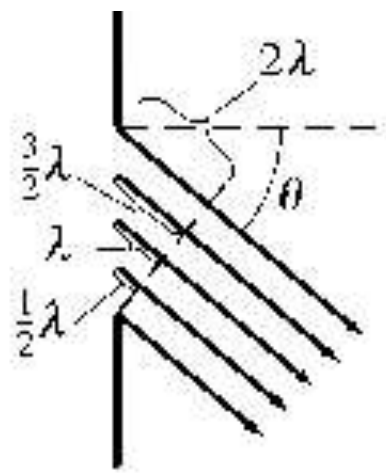
$$\sin \theta = -\frac{\lambda}{d} \rightarrow$$



Single Slit Diffraction

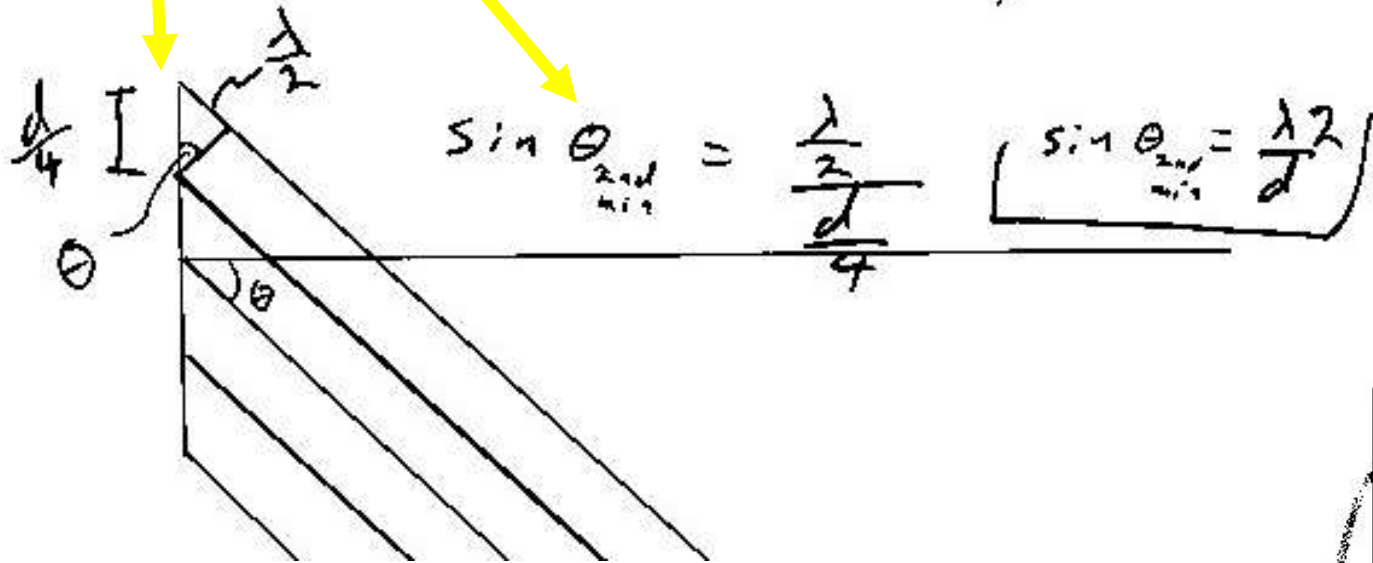
$$\frac{d}{4} \sin \theta = \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

Single-Slit Diffraction
2nd minimum

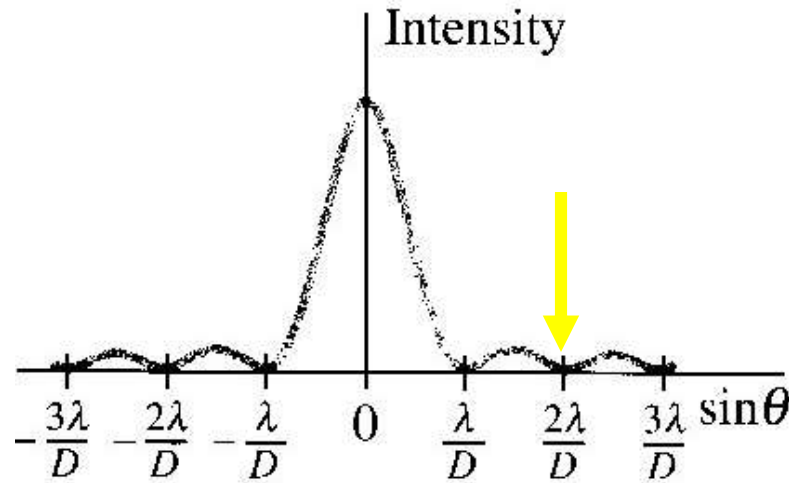


(d) $\sin \theta = \frac{2\lambda}{D}$
Dark

Single slit diffraction 2nd min.
top $\frac{1}{4}$ cancels 2nd $\frac{3}{4}$
3rd $\frac{1}{4}$ cancels 4th $\frac{1}{4}$



$$\sin \theta_{2nd \min} = \frac{\frac{\lambda}{2}}{\frac{d}{4}} \quad \left[\sin \theta_{2nd \min} = \frac{\lambda}{d} \right]$$

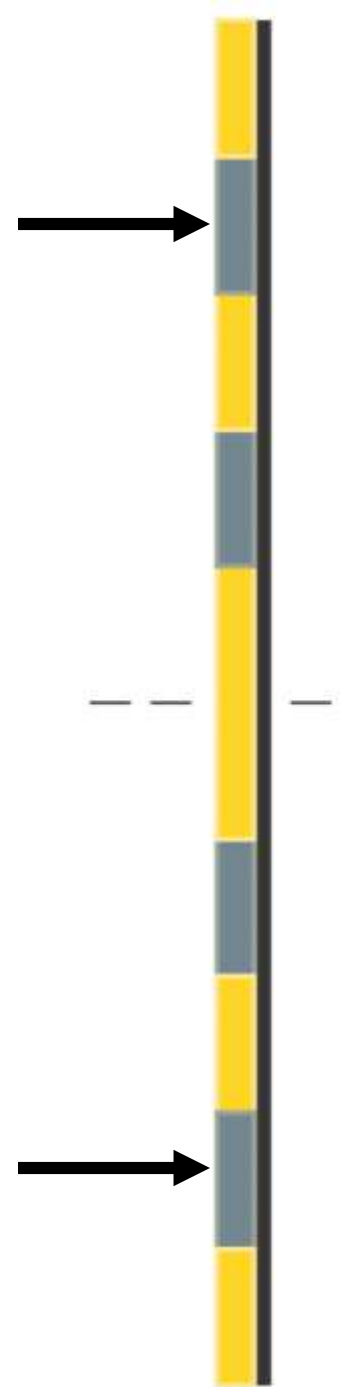
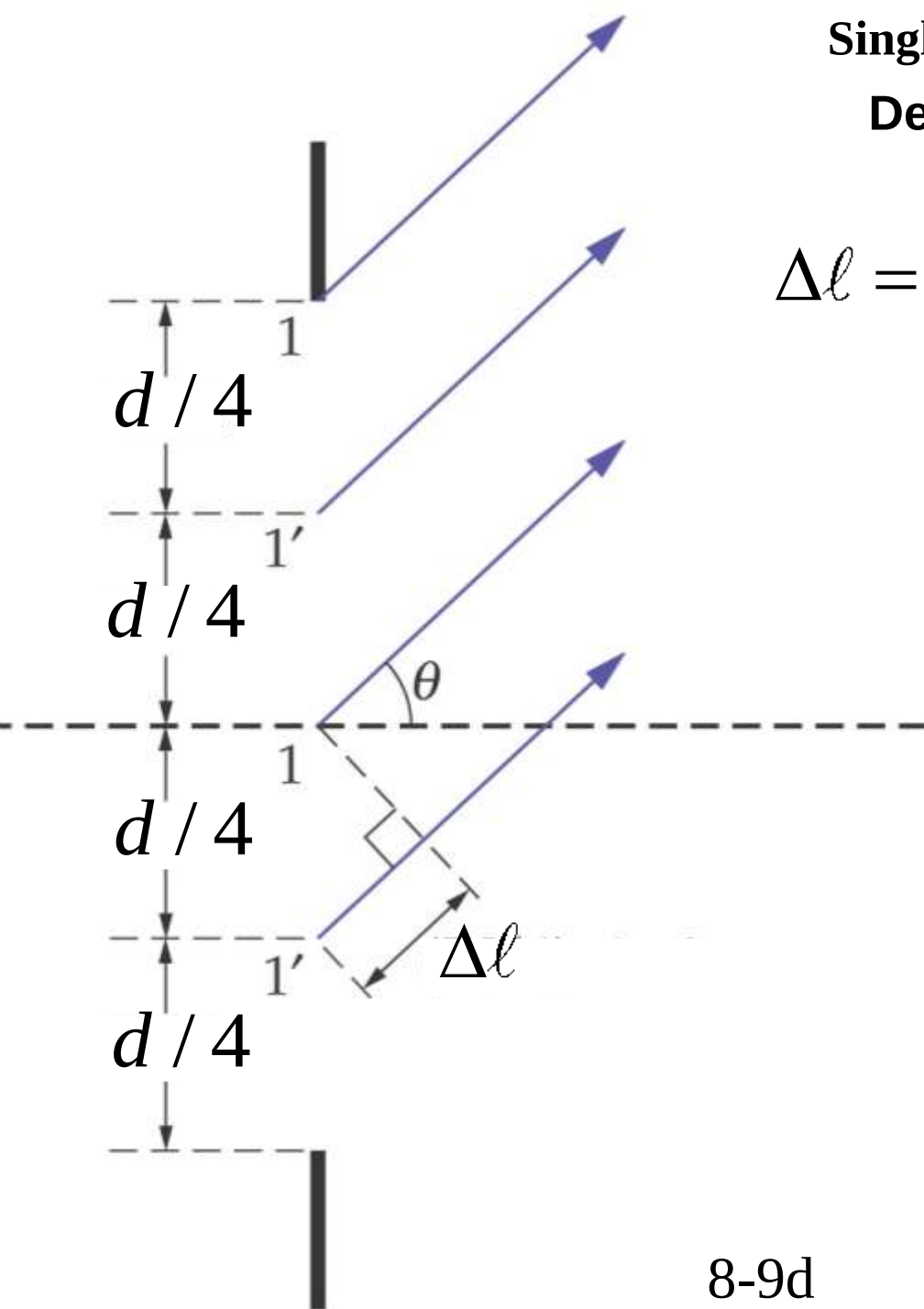


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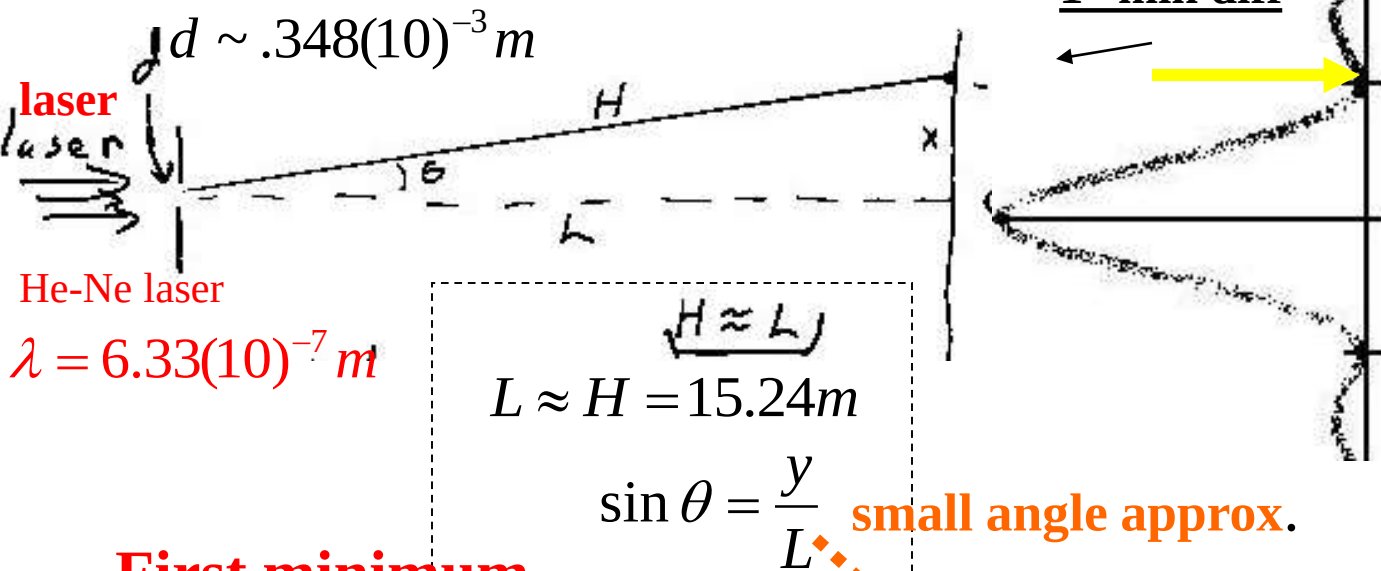
Destructive 2nd

$$\Delta \ell = \frac{d}{4} \sin \theta = \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

$$\sin \theta = 2 \frac{\lambda}{d}$$



Single slit diffraction demo

1st min diff

First minimum

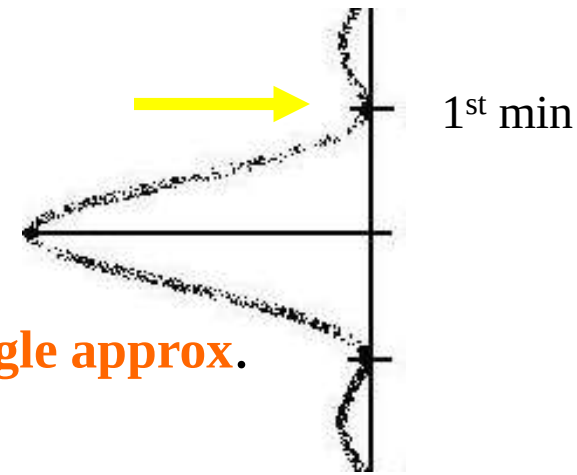
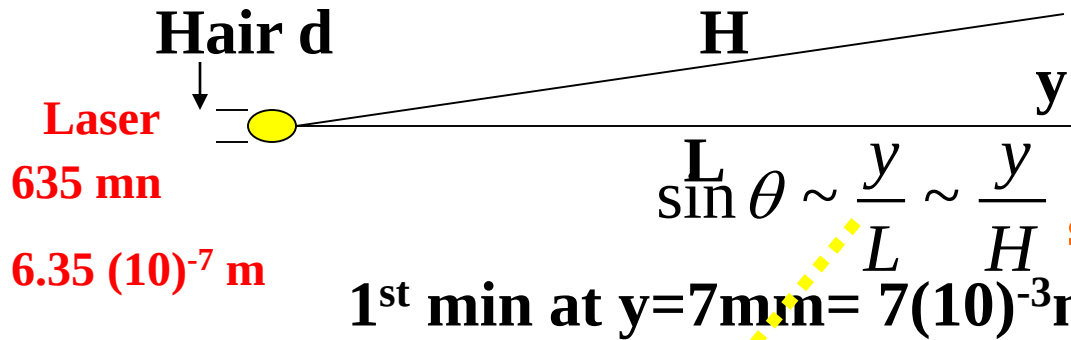
$$\text{1st min} \Rightarrow \frac{d}{2} \sin \theta = \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

$$\frac{d}{2} \frac{y}{L} = \frac{\lambda}{2} \rightarrow y = \lambda \frac{L}{d}$$

$$y = \frac{(6.33)(10)^{-7} m (15.24m)}{.348(10)^{-3} m}$$

$$= 277(10)^{-4} m = 2.8cm = 3cm$$

Width of Prof. Croft's Hair



small angle approx.

1st min diff

$$\frac{d}{2} \sin \theta = \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

With $L \sim H \sim 1\text{m}$

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

$$\frac{y}{L} = \frac{\lambda}{d} \rightarrow d = \frac{\lambda}{y} L$$

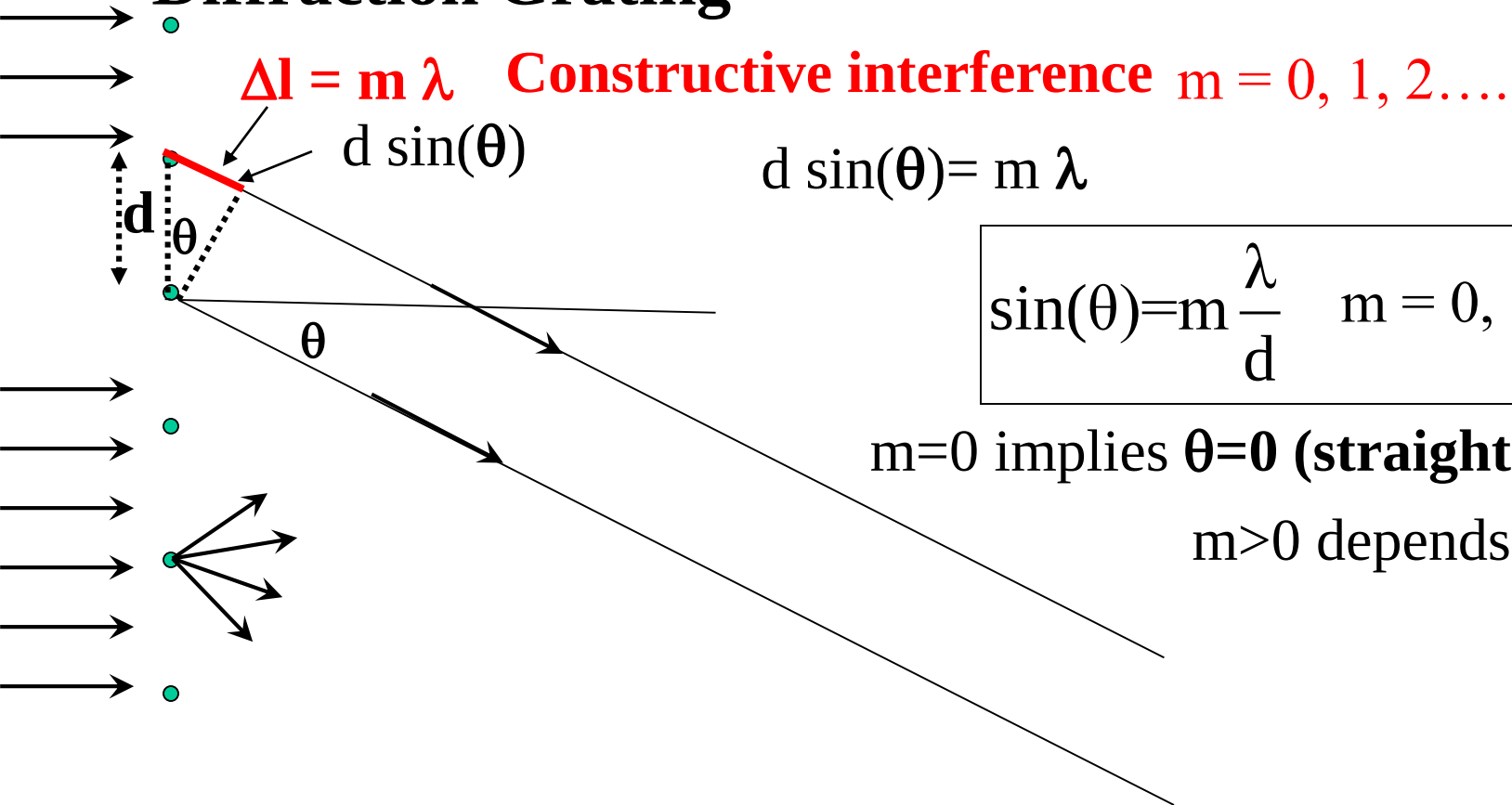
$$d_{\text{hair}} = \frac{6.35(10)^{-7} \text{ m } 1\text{m}}{7(10)^{-3} \text{ m}}$$

$$d_{\text{hair}} = .9(10)^{-4} \text{ m}$$

$$= .09(10)^{-3} \text{ m} = .09\text{mm} \text{ or } .1\text{mm}$$

**Blocking screen shape gives
same pattern
as hole in screen**

Diffraction Grating



Can use to diffract visible light from
 $4000 - 6000 \text{ \AA} \quad [\text{\AA} = 10^{-8} \text{ cm} = 10^{-10} \text{ m}]$

Diffraction Grating

$$\Delta \ell = d \sin(\theta)$$

constructive

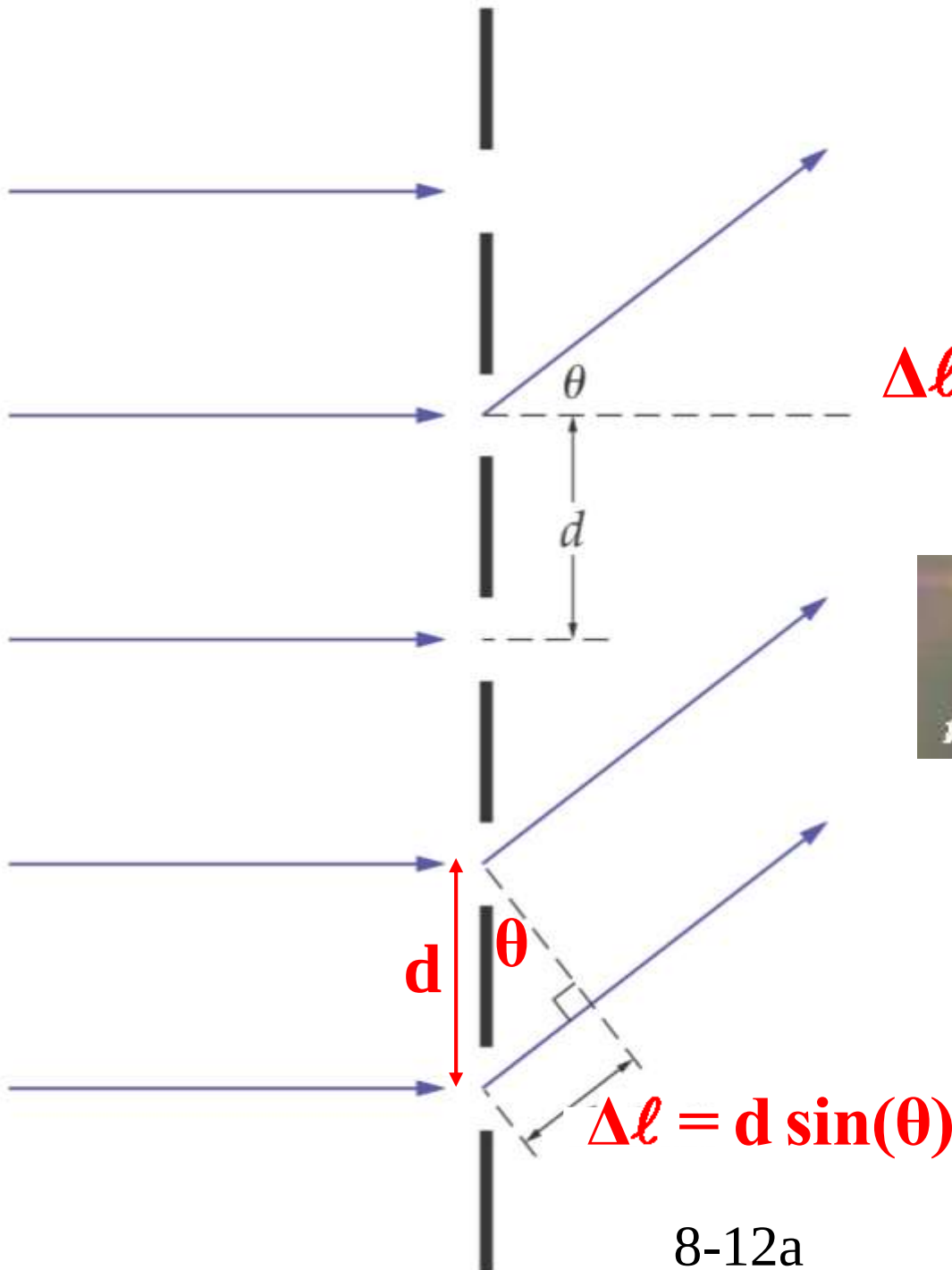
$$\Delta \ell = 0, \lambda, 2\lambda, \dots, m\lambda$$

“white light” many λ 's

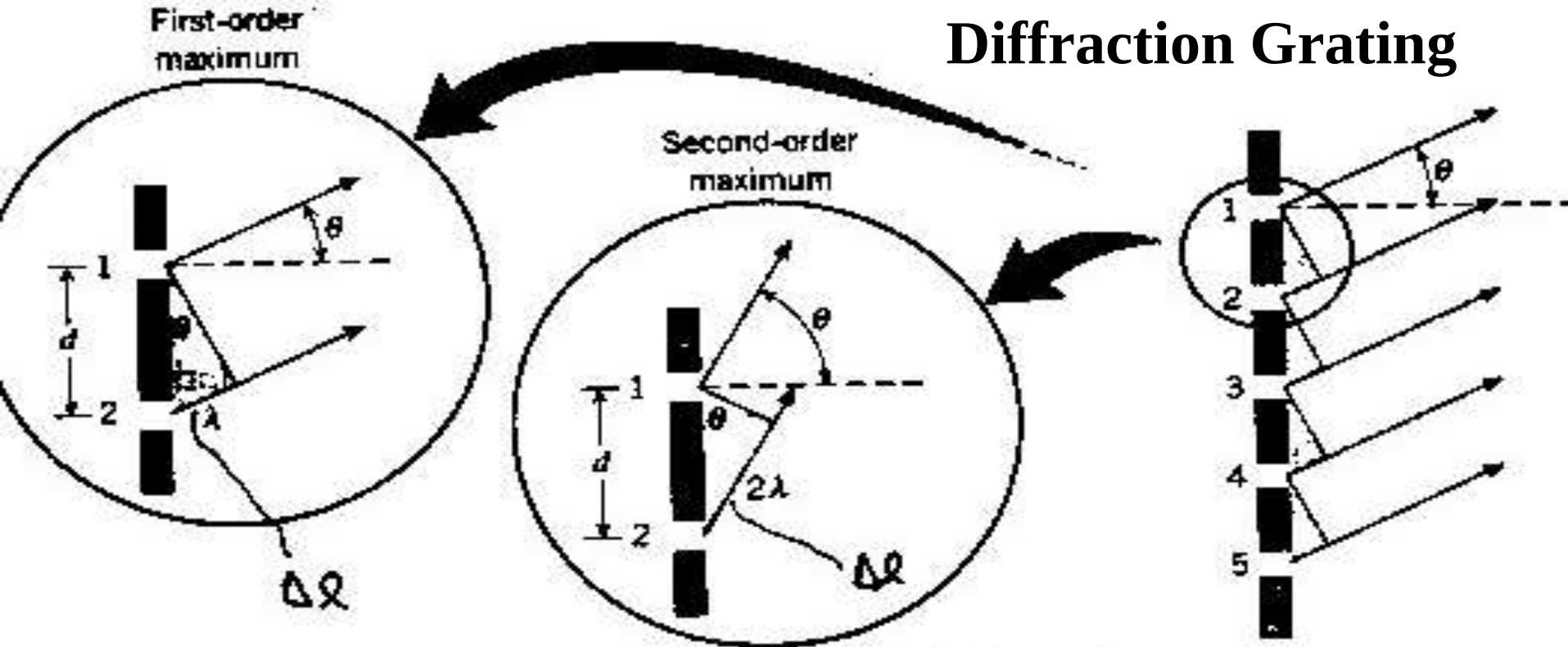


different $\lambda \Leftrightarrow$ different θ

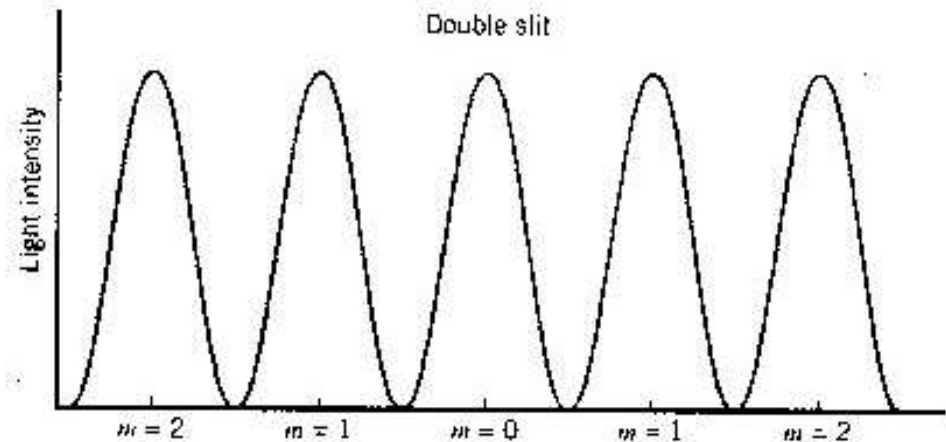
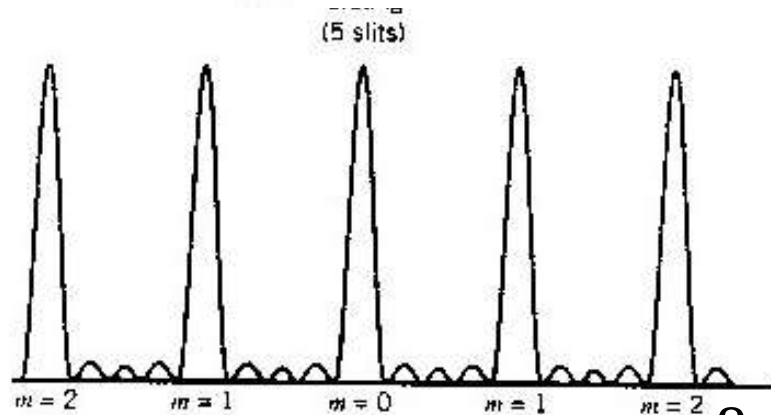
Diffraction Grating separates λ 's



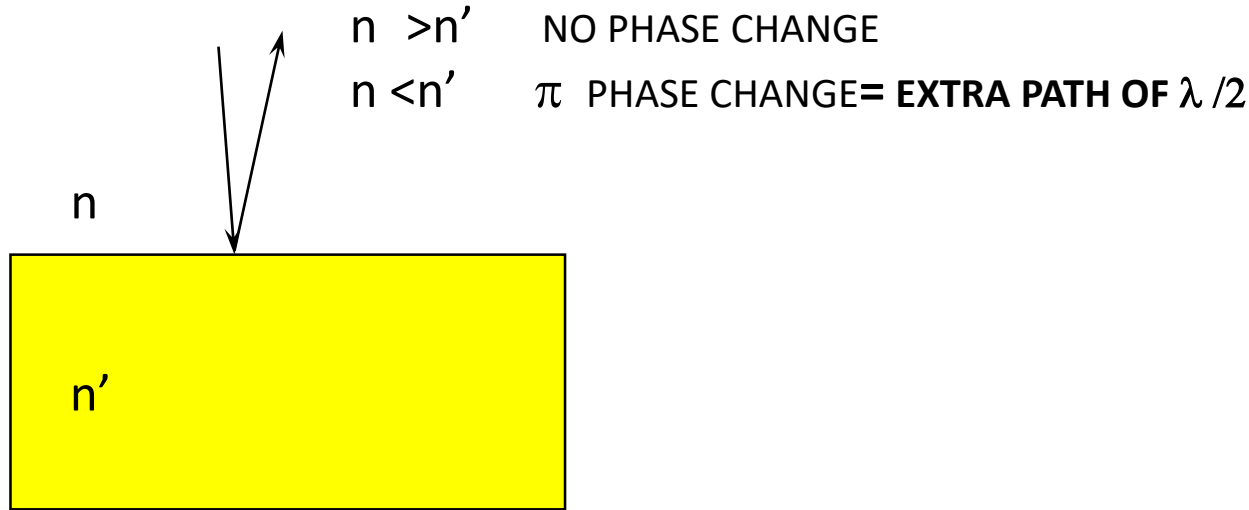
Diffraction Grating



$$\Delta r = d \sin \theta = m \lambda$$



Rules for interface reflection

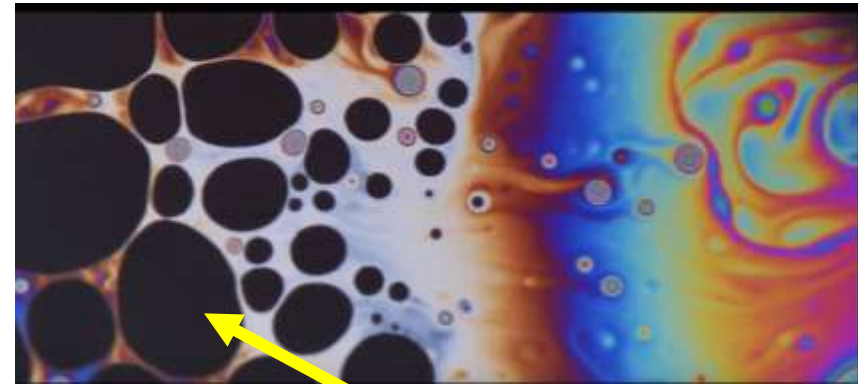
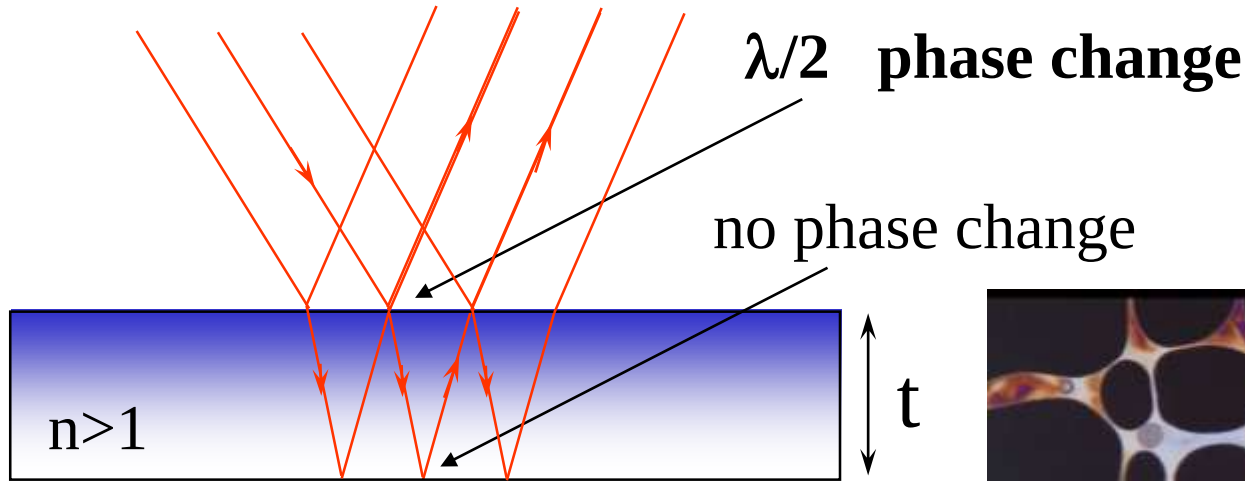


Transmission slows down
 $n < n'$
 Reflection
 π PHASE CHANGE = EXTRA PATH OF $\lambda / 2$

Transmission speeds up
 $n > n'$
 Reflection
 NO PHASE CHANGE

Simple effect – interface reflection only interference

Just before the soap film pops, it goes dark



If thickness $t \ll \lambda$, then

$$2nt/\lambda \ll 2$$

Destructive interference for all wavelengths

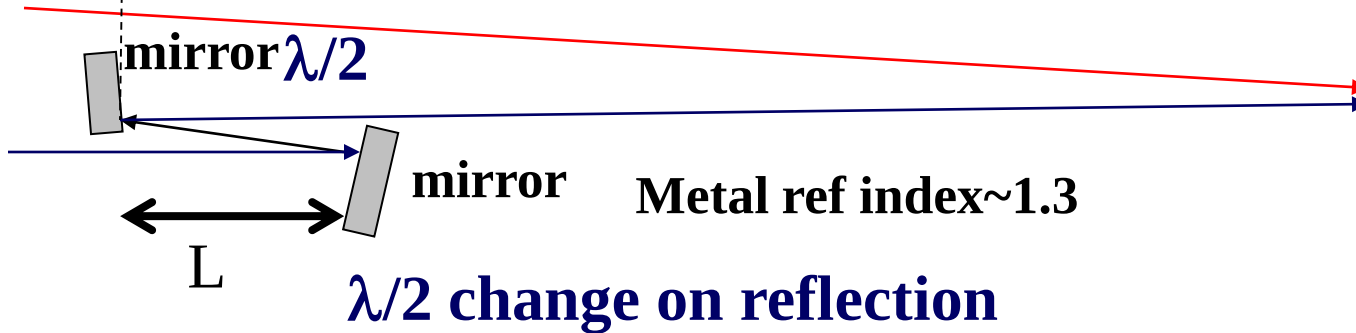
No reflected light

Black regions $t \ll \lambda$

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6qzQIsg5eTE&feature=youtu.be>

Simple effect –path length only interference

same from this line



$$\Delta \ell = 2 L \quad \text{Path length difference} \quad \lambda/2 + \lambda/2 = \lambda : 2 \text{ reflections}$$

$$\Delta \ell = 2 L = \lambda/2 \quad \text{destructive interference (1st)} \quad \text{No reflection effect}$$

$$\Delta \ell = 2 L = \lambda \quad \text{constructive interference (1st)}$$

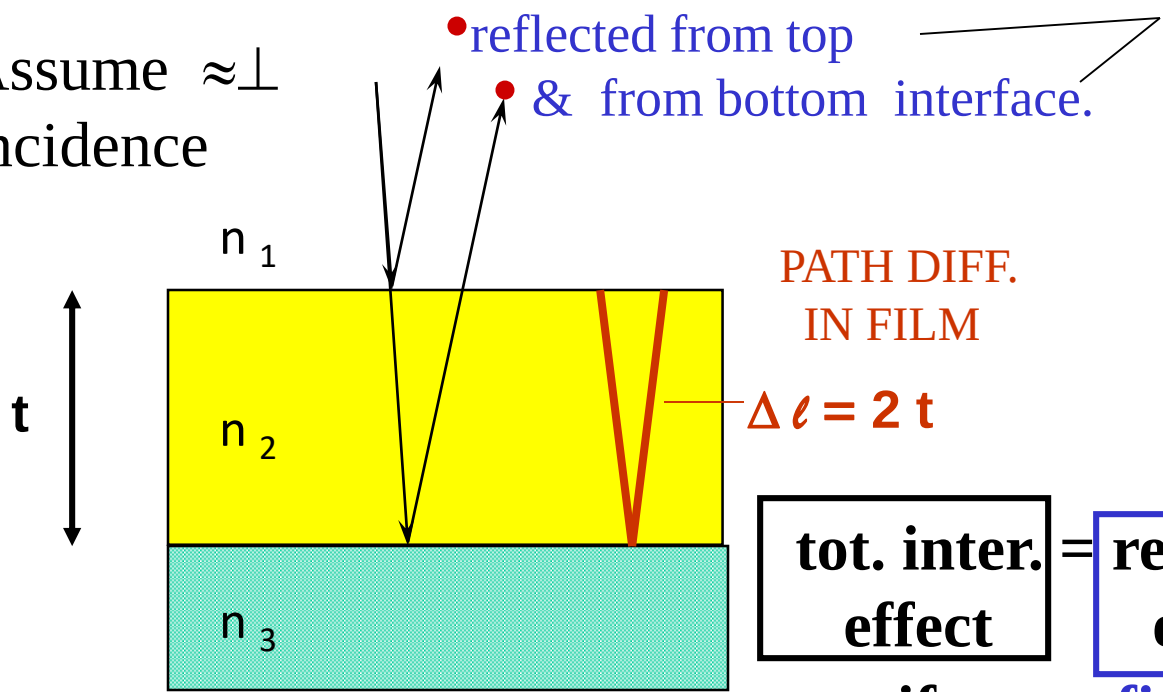
$$\Delta \ell = 2 L = \lambda m \quad m=1,2,3,4,5\dots \quad \text{constructive interference}$$

$$\Delta \ell = 2 L = (m\lambda + 1/2) \quad m=0,1,2,3,4,5\dots \quad \text{destructive interference}$$

Note: λ difference = 0 difference
interference between rays reflected

THIN FILM INTERFERENCE

Assume $\approx \perp$
incidence



- depends on
- $n_1 > n_2 > n_3$
 - $n_1 > n_2 < n_3$
 - $n_1 < n_2 < n_3$
 - $n_1 < n_2 > n_3$
 - ...

tot. inter. effect	=	reflection effect	+	path length effect
specify		figure out		choose to fit

Case $n_1 < n_2 < n_3$

$\pi : \lambda/2$ change $\pi : \lambda/2$ change

↓ ↓

reflection changes –no effect

Case 1a
constructive
“thinnest”

$\Delta \ell = 2t = \lambda_{n_2} = \lambda / n_2$

$t = \lambda / 2n_2$

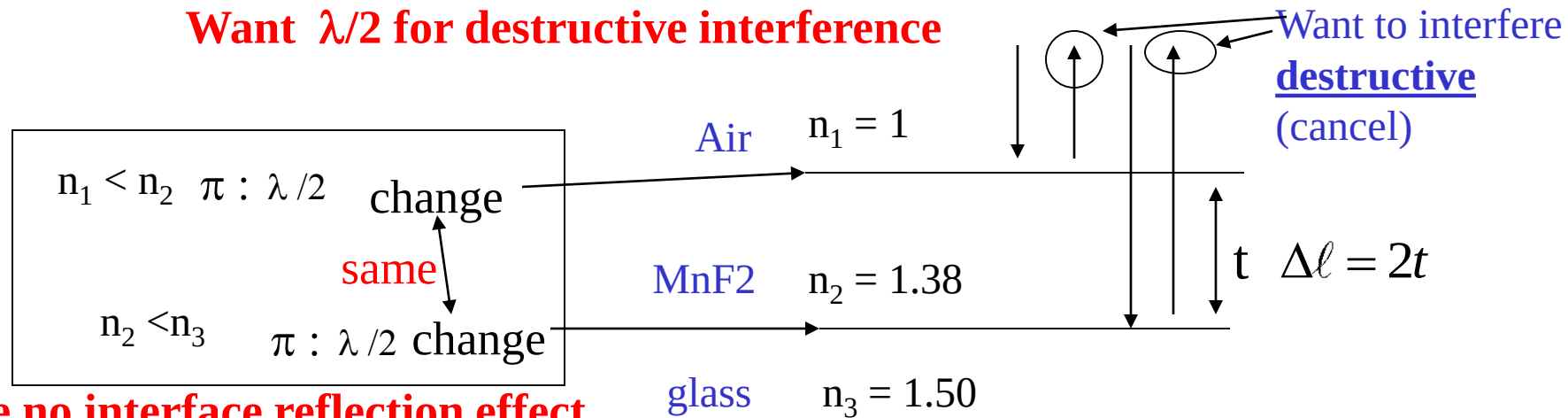
Case 1b
destructive
“thinnest”

$\Delta \ell = 2t = \lambda_{n_2} / 2 = \lambda / 2n_2$

$t = \lambda / 4n_2$

Example anti-reflection coating in green 532 nm

Want $\lambda/2$ for destructive interference



have no interface reflection effect

Want $\lambda/2$ for destructive interference
must come from path length

min. thickness

tot. inter. = reflection + path length
effect effect effect

$$\frac{\lambda_{n2}}{2} = \Delta \ell = 2t$$

$$t = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \frac{\lambda_{n2}}{2} \longleftarrow \lambda_{n2} = \frac{\lambda}{n_2}$$

$$t_{\min} = \frac{1}{4} \frac{\lambda}{n_2}$$

$$t_{\min} = 96.4 \text{ nm}$$

$$t_{\min} = \frac{1}{4} \frac{532}{(1.38)} \text{ nm}$$

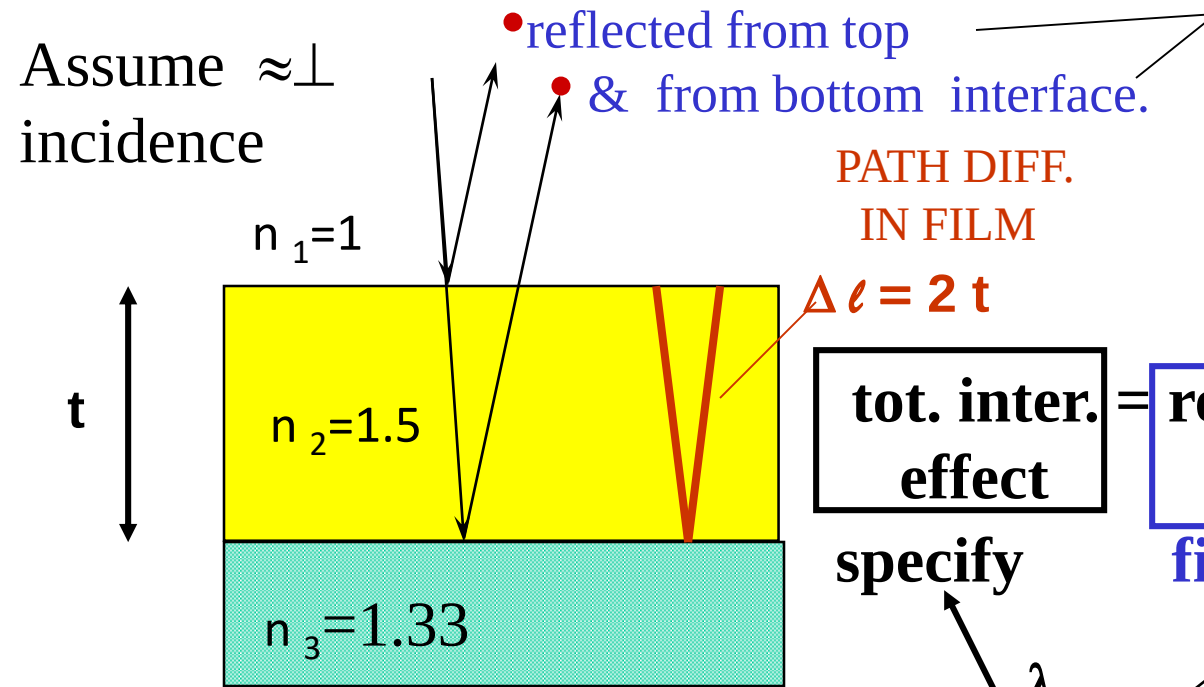
Note: λ difference = 0 difference

THIN FILM INTERFERENCE

interference between rays reflected

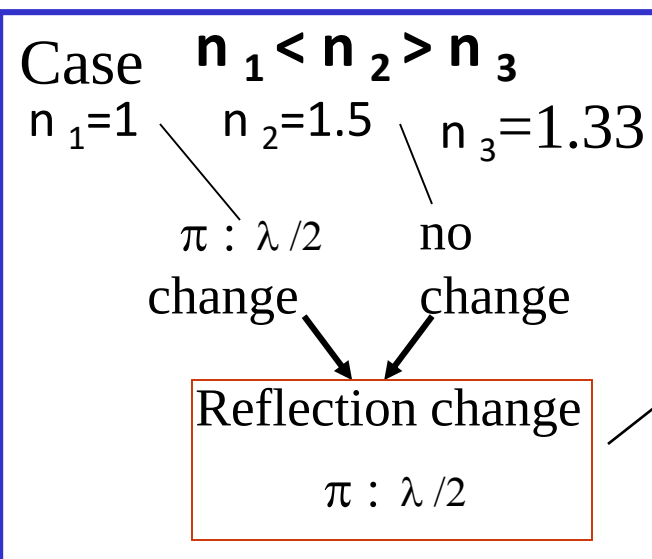
example

Constructive “enhanced” reflection



$$\boxed{\text{tot. inter. effect}} = \boxed{\text{reflection effect}} + \boxed{\text{path length effect}}$$

specify figure out choose to fit



λ
constructive
“thinnest”

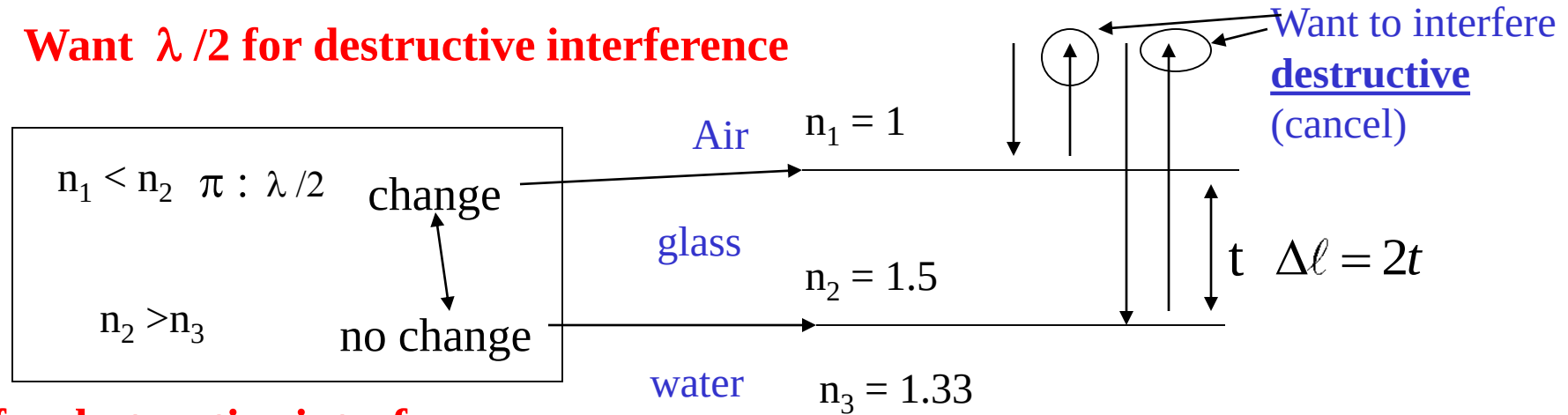
$\lambda/2$
must undo

$$\Delta l = 2t = \lambda_{n_2}/2 = \lambda/2n_2$$
$$t = \lambda/4n_2$$

8-17 **Note: λ difference = 0 difference**

Example anti-reflection coating in green 532 nm

Want $\lambda/2$ for destructive interference



$\lambda/2$ for destructive interference from reflection only

tot. inter. = reflection + path length effect

Want λ from path length

Want $\lambda/2$

$\lambda/2$

need λ

min. thickness

$$t_{\min} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{532}{(1.5)} \text{ nm}$$

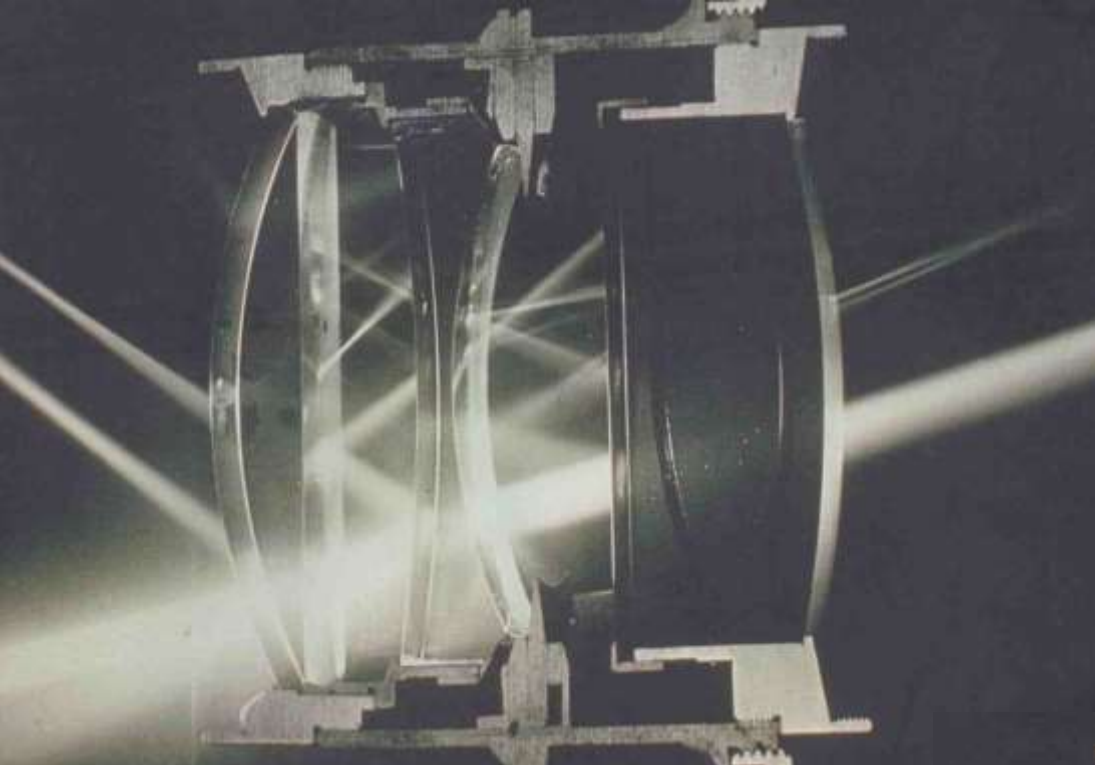
$$t_{\min} = 177 \text{ nm}$$

$$\lambda_{n2} = \Delta \ell = 2t$$

$$t = \frac{\lambda_{n2}}{2}$$

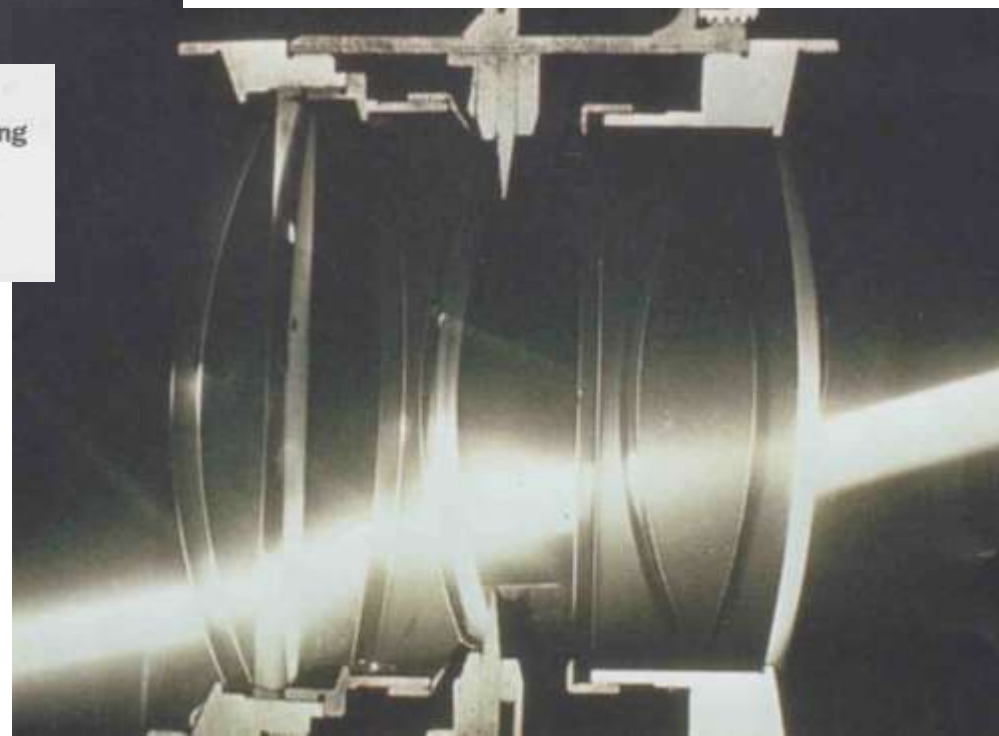
$$t_{\min} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\lambda}{n_2}$$

$$\lambda_{n2} = \frac{\lambda}{n_2}$$

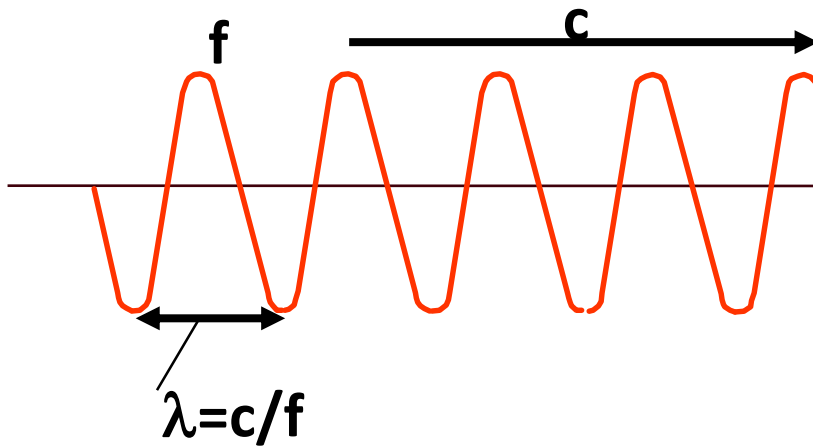


Uncoated Lenses and Coated Lenses.

Top: A cross section of compound lenses in a camera shows light scattering from uncoated glass surfaces, *Bottom:* and their suppression by a thin antireflective surface coating on the lenses, greatly improving the image. Goro Studio, New York, 1944.



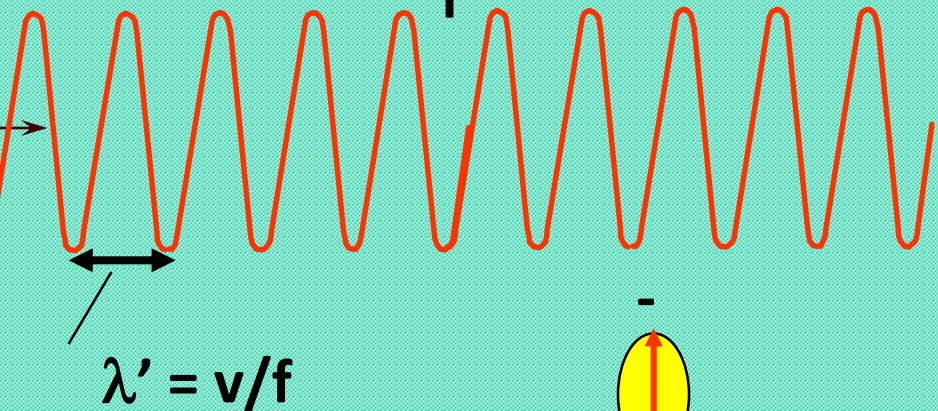
EM wave in vacuum



EM wave in material
light slower in medium.

Index of refraction:

$$v < c \quad n = c / v > 1$$



$$\lambda' = \lambda / n$$



atoms/molecules
must distort
- slows propagation

IN MATERIAL
FREQUENCY UNCHANGED.
WAVELENGTH IS SHORTER

	n
AIR	1.000293
ICE	1.309
WATER	1.333
GLASS	1.523
DIAMOND	2.419

Brewster's Angle

