

**11-1.** See Figure 11-18 that accompanies the problem in the text for a sketch of the setup. The minima are located as position,  $y_m$  determined as,

$$m \lambda = b \sin \theta_m = b y_m / f \Rightarrow y_m = m \lambda f / b$$

- (a) The first minimum occurs at  $y_1 = \lambda f / b = (546.1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ mm})(60 \text{ cm}) / (0.015 \text{ cm}) = 2.18 \text{ mm}$ .  
 (b) The separation of the first and second minimum is

$$y_2 - y_1 = (2 - 1) \lambda f / b = 2.18 \text{ mm}$$

**11-3.** See Figure 11-19 that accompanies the problem in the text.

(a) The diffraction minima are located at angles  $\theta_m = y_m / L$  where  $L = 2 \text{ m}$  is the slit to screen distance. The positions of the minima are given by  $m \lambda = b \sin \theta_m = b y_m / L \Rightarrow y_m = m \lambda L / b$ . Then,

$$y_3 - y_{-3} = \Delta y = (3 - (-3)) \lambda L / b \Rightarrow b = \frac{6 \lambda L}{\Delta y} = \frac{6 (632.8 \times 10^{-7} \text{ cm})(200 \text{ cm})}{5.625 \text{ cm}} = 0.013 \text{ cm} = 0.13 \text{ mm}$$

(b)  $L_{\min} = b^2 / 2\lambda$ , so,

$$\frac{L}{L_{\min}} = \frac{200 \text{ cm}}{(0.0135 \text{ cm})^2 / (2 \cdot 632.8 \times 10^{-7} \text{ cm})} = 139$$

The screen is in the far field.

**11-4.** Let  $m_1 = 5$  for  $\lambda_1$  and  $m_2 = 4$  for  $\lambda_2$ . Then,

$$m_1 \lambda_1 = m_2 \lambda_2 = b \sin \theta$$

$$5 \lambda_1 = 4 \lambda_2 = 4 (620 \text{ nm}) \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 496 \text{ nm}$$

**11-5.** Let the full angle breadth between the first minimum on either side of the central maximum be  $\varphi = 2\theta$ , where  $\theta$  is the angle that locates the first minimum relative to the center of the pattern. For  $m = 1$ ,

$$\lambda = b \sin \theta = b \sin (\varphi / 2) \Rightarrow b = \frac{\lambda}{\sin(\varphi/2)} = \frac{550 \text{ nm}}{\sin(\varphi/2)}$$

For  $\varphi = 30^\circ$ ,  $b = 2.125 \mu\text{m}$ , for  $\varphi = 45^\circ$ ,  $b = 1.437 \mu\text{m}$ , for  $\varphi = 90^\circ$ ,  $b = 0.778 \mu\text{m}$ , for  $\varphi = 180^\circ$ ,  $b = 0.55 \mu\text{m}$ .

**11-10.**  $1.22 D \sin \theta = D y / f \Rightarrow y = R = 1.22 \lambda f / D = (1.22)(5.5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm})(150) / 12 = 8.39 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}$

**11-11.** Using Eq. (11-21) the angular half-width of the Airy disc formed on the moon will be,

$$\Delta\theta_{1/2} = \frac{1.22 \lambda}{D}$$

where  $D$  is the diameter of the circular aperture. The radius  $R$  of the airy disc formed on the moon, which is a distance  $L$  from the aperture is

$$R = L \tan \Delta\theta_{1/2} \approx L \Delta\theta_{1/2} = \frac{1.22 \lambda L}{D} = \frac{1.22 (10.6 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m})(3.76 \times 10^8 \text{ m})}{10^{-3} \text{ m}} = 4.86 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$$

The diameter of the laser spot on the moon is about  $9.72 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$ . The irradiance in the spot (assuming a nearly constant irradiance over the spot (this is not really the best approximation, but it gives an order of magnitude estimate),

$$I = \frac{\Phi}{A} = \frac{\Phi}{\pi R^2} = \frac{2000 \text{ W}}{\pi (4.86 \times 10^6 \text{ m})^2} = 2.7 \times 10^{-11} \text{ W/m}^2$$

**11-13.** The distance  $L$  for the headlights to be barely resolvable if they are separated by a distance  $y$  is given by Eq. (11-22), as,

$$\Delta\theta_{\min} = y / L = 1.22 \lambda / D \Rightarrow L = \frac{y D}{1.22 \lambda} = \frac{(45 \times 2.54 \text{ cm})(0.5 \text{ cm})}{1.22 (5.5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm})} = 8.517 \times 10^5 \text{ cm} = 27,900 \text{ ft} = 5.3 \text{ miles}$$

- 11-15.** (a) According to Eq. (11-30) the condition for missing orders is,  $a = (p/m)b$ . The fourth order interference maxima are missing so  $p = 4m$  and  $a = 4b = 4(0.1 \text{ mm}) = 0.4 \text{ mm}$ .  
 (b) The irradiance is given by,

$$I = 4I_0 \left( \frac{\sin \beta}{\beta} \right)^2 \cos^2 \alpha$$

In zeroth order  $I = 4I_0$ . The interference maxima occur for,

$$p\lambda = a \sin \theta \Rightarrow \sin \theta = 0, \pm \lambda/a, \pm 2\lambda/a, \pm 3\lambda/a, \dots$$

Also  $\cos^2 \alpha = 1$ , so at the interference maxima

$$I = 4I_0 \left( \frac{\sin \beta}{\beta} \right)^2$$

where  $\beta = (kb/2) \sin \theta = (\pi b/\lambda) \sin \theta$ . Then:

$$p = 1: \sin \theta = \lambda/a; \beta = \frac{\pi b}{\lambda} \frac{\lambda}{a} = \pi(b/a); \frac{I}{4I_0} = \left( \frac{\sin \beta}{\beta} \right)^2 = \left( \frac{\sin(\pi/4)}{\pi/4} \right)^2 = 0.8106$$

$$p = 2: \sin \theta = 2\lambda/a; \beta = \frac{\pi b}{\lambda} \frac{2\lambda}{a} = 2\pi(b/a); \frac{I}{4I_0} = \left( \frac{\sin \beta}{\beta} \right)^2 = \left( \frac{\sin(\pi/2)}{\pi/2} \right)^2 = 0.4053$$

$$p = 3: \sin \theta = 3\lambda/a; \beta = \frac{\pi b}{\lambda} \frac{3\lambda}{a} = 3\pi(b/a); \frac{I}{4I_0} = \left( \frac{\sin \beta}{\beta} \right)^2 = \left( \frac{\sin(3\pi/4)}{3\pi/4} \right)^2 = 0.0901$$

- 11-20.** The irradiance is given by,

$$I = I_0 \left( \frac{\sin \beta}{\beta} \right)^2 \left( \frac{\sin N\alpha}{\alpha} \right)^2$$

with  $N = 10$ ,  $a = 5b$ ,  $b = 10^{-4} \text{ cm}$ ,  $\lambda = 435.8 \text{ nm}$ . Recall that  $\beta = \frac{\pi}{\lambda} b \sin \theta$ , so  $\alpha = 4\beta$ . For interference maxima,

$$\left( \frac{\sin N\alpha}{\alpha} \right)^2 = 1 \Rightarrow I = I_0 \left( \frac{\sin \beta}{\beta} \right)^2$$

Also,  $\sin \theta = m\lambda/a$  and  $\beta = \frac{\pi b}{\lambda} \left( \frac{m\lambda}{a} \right) = m\pi(b/a) = m\pi/5$ . Then,

$$\text{For } m = 1: I/I_0 = \left( \frac{\sin \beta}{\beta} \right)^2 = \left( \frac{\sin(\pi/5)}{\pi/5} \right)^2 = 0.875$$

$$\text{For } m = 2: I/I_0 = \left( \frac{\sin(2\pi/5)}{2\pi/5} \right)^2 = 0.573. \quad \text{For } m = 3: I/I_0 = \left( \frac{\sin(3\pi/5)}{3\pi/5} \right)^2 = 0.255$$

$$\text{For } m = 4: I/I_0 = \left( \frac{\sin(4\pi/5)}{4\pi/5} \right)^2 = 0.0547. \quad \text{For } m = 5: I/I_0 = \left( \frac{\sin(5\pi/5)}{5\pi/5} \right)^2 = 0.$$

- 12-4.**  $\mathfrak{R} = mN = \frac{\lambda a v}{\Delta \lambda} = \frac{589.2935}{0.597} = 987$ ;  $N = \frac{a}{m}$ . So, for  $m = 1$ ,  $N = 987$  and for  $m = 2$ ,  $N = 494$ .

- 12-6.** See Figure 12-14 that accompanies the statement of this problem in the text.

$$\mathfrak{R}(m = 3) = mN = (3)(16,000 \times 2.5) = 120,000$$

$$\mathfrak{R}(m = 2) = mN = (2)(16,000 \times 2.5) = 80,000$$

$$\Delta \lambda = \lambda/\mathfrak{R} = 550 \text{ nm}/80,000 = 0.006875 \text{ nm} = 0.069 \text{ \AA}$$