

Rec. Time

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For full credit, make your work clear. Show formulas used, essential steps, and results with correct units and significant figures. Points shown in parenthesis. For TF and MC, choose the *best* answer. Bonus points possible by correctly using prefixes like 2.0 mV, 7.8 MW, 1.6 kΩ, 3.4 μT, etc., in lieu of scientific notation like 2.0×10^{-3} V.

OpenStax Ch. 27 - Wave Properties of Light

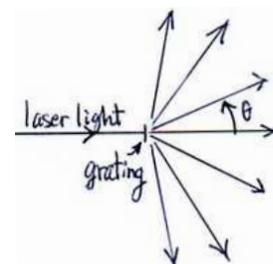
1. (3) Light of a wavelength λ most noticeably exhibits diffraction effects when it
 - a. travels through vacuum.
 - b. passes through an opening wider than λ .
 - c. travels through water.
 - d. passes through an opening narrower than λ .

2. (3) The phrase, "Every point on a wavefront is a source of wavelets that spread out in the forward direction at the same speed as the wave itself" is contained in the statement of
 - a. Rayleigh's limit.
 - b. Huygen's principle.
 - c. Maxwell's idea.
 - d. Young's dilemma.

3. (3) Constructive interference of light passing through two slits occurs when the waves arrive on a screen
 - a. in-phase.
 - b. 180° out-of-phase.
 - c. shifted by half a wavelength.
 - d. shifted by half a period.

4. (2) **T F** A dark fringe in an interference pattern corresponds to destructive interference.
5. (2) **T F** When the wavelength is increased, the central maximum of single slit diffraction gets wider.
6. (2) **T F** The polarization direction of a light beam can be rotated with a polarizing filter.

7. (10) A diffraction grating has 8.50×10^3 lines/cm. Light of unknown wavelength λ produces a 2nd order bright fringe at a 48.0° angle from the axis.
 - a) (4) Determine the linear spacing between the lines on the grating.



- b) (6) Determine the wavelength of the light being used.

8. (10) The headlights of a car (considered as point light sources) are 1.8 m apart and emit light primarily around wavelength 520 nm. You see the car coming 2500 m down the road, when the pupil of your eye is opened to a diameter of 8.0 mm. Your vision is diffraction limited but otherwise perfect.

a) (4) How large is the angular separation (in radians) of the headlights in your vision?

b) (6) Could you see the headlights as distinct light sources, or are they unresolvable due to diffraction?

9. (6) What angle is needed between the polarization direction of a light beam and the axis of a polarizing filter to cut the intensity in half?

5. (12) After the capsule of NASA's relativistic rocket reaches its cruising speed of $v = 0.980c$, the rest mass of $m_{\text{cap}} = 1.20 \times 10^3$ kg remains to travel all the way to Sirius.

a) (6) Find the kinetic energy of the capsule while cruising at speed $v = 0.980c$ to Sirius.

b) (6) The rocket uses nuclear power. How much mass was converted into energy in its nuclear reactor engine to produce the kinetic energy of the capsule?

6. (6) How fast ($v/c = ?$) must a spaceship be moving towards Sirius so that its occupants see the 8.58 lightyears distance from Earth length-contracted to only 1.00 lightyear?

1. (2) **T F** A photon from a red laser pointer has more energy than one from a green laser pointer.
 2. (2) **T F** A photon and an electron with the same momentum have equal wavelengths.
 3. (2) **T F** An electron's de Broglie wavelength increases as its speed is reduced.
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4. (3) When a photon collides with a nearly stationary electron (Compton scattering), its wavelength
a. decreases. b. increases. c. does not change. d. becomes a random value.
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5. (3) 540 nm wavelength light of intensity 1.0 W/m^2 incident on a certain metal is not producing any photoelectrons. What should be done to initiate the emission of photoelectrons?
a. Increase the intensity of the light. b. Decrease the intensity of the light.
c. Increase the wavelength of the light. d. Decrease the wavelength of the light.
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6. (5) A blackbody spectrum of light has the strongest intensity at a wavelength of $4.50 \mu\text{m}$. What is the temperature of the emitting object, in Kelvin?

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7. (8) Light of wavelength 401 nm incident on a certain metal produces photoelectrons with a maximum kinetic energy of 1.78 eV. What is the maximum wavelength of light capable of producing photoelectrons for this metal?

8. (8) Electrons in an electron microscope have been accelerated through a potential difference of 1250 V. How large is their de Broglie wavelength?

9. (8) An electron with momentum $p = 2.5 \text{ keV}/c = 1.33 \times 10^{-24} \text{ kg m/s}$ is confined inside a “quantum dot” of length $L = 12.0 \text{ nm}$, so that its uncertainty in position is about $\Delta x = L/2 = 6.0 \text{ nm}$. The electron is moving slowly compared to the speed of light. Determine the approximate uncertainty Δv in the electron’s velocity.

Prefixes

a=10⁻¹⁸, f=10⁻¹⁵, p=10⁻¹², n=10⁻⁹, μ = 10⁻⁶, m=10⁻³, c=10⁻², k=10³, M=10⁶, G=10⁹, T=10¹², P=10¹⁵

Physical Constants

$k = 1/4\pi\epsilon_0 = 8.988 \text{ GNm}^2/\text{C}^2$ (Coulomb's Law)	$\epsilon_0 = 1/4\pi k = 8.854 \text{ pF/m}$ (permittivity of space)
$e = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$ (proton charge)	$\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ T}\cdot\text{m/A}$ (permeability of space)
$m_e = 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$ (electron mass)	$m_p = 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ (proton mass)
$c = 3.00 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$ (speed of light)	$c = 2.99792458 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$ (exact value in vacuum)
$h = 6.62607 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}$ (Planck's constant)	$\hbar = 1.05457 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}$ (Planck's constant/ 2π)
$\sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W}/(\text{m}^2\cdot\text{K}^4)$ (Stefan-Boltzmann const.)	$hc = 1239.84 \text{ eV}\cdot\text{nm}$ (photon energy constant)

Units

$N_A = 6.02 \times 10^{23}/\text{mole}$ (Avogadro's #)	1 u = 1 g/ N_A = 1.6605 $\times 10^{-27}$ kg (mass unit)
1.0 eV = 1.602 $\times 10^{-19}$ J (electron-volt)	1 V = 1 J/C = 1 volt = 1 joule/coulomb
1 F = 1 C/V = 1 farad = 1 C ² /J	1 H = 1 V·s/A = 1 henry = 1 J/A ²
1 A = 1 C/s = 1 ampere = 1 coulomb/second	1 Ω = 1 V/A = 1 ohm = 1 J·s/C ²
1 T = 1 N/A·m = 1 tesla = 1 newton/ampere·meter	1 G = 10 ⁻⁴ T = 1 gauss = 10 ⁻⁴ tesla

OpenStax Chapter 24 Equations - Electromagnetic Waves

Electromagnetic waves:

$$|\vec{E}|/|\vec{B}| = c = 1/\sqrt{\epsilon_0\mu_0}, \quad (\text{fields and speed}) \quad f\lambda = c \quad (\text{wave equation})$$

Energy density, intensity, power:

$$u = \epsilon_0 E^2 = \frac{B^2}{\mu_0} \quad (\text{instantaneous energy density}) \quad \bar{u} = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_0 E_0^2 = \frac{B_0^2}{2\mu_0} \quad (\text{average energy density})$$
$$I = \bar{u}c = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_0 E_0^2 c \quad (\text{EM waves intensity}) \quad I = P/A = P/(4\pi r^2) \quad (\text{intensity definition})$$

Approximate wavelengths λ for types of EM waves:

0 (γ -rays) 30 pm (x -rays) 3 nm (uv) 400 nm (visible) 700 nm (ir) 300 μm (μ -waves) 3 cm (radio) ∞
→ → → increasing wavelength → → →

OpenStax Chapter 27 Equations - Wave Optics

Wave properties, interference:

$$\lambda_n = \lambda_{\text{vacuum}}/n \quad (\text{wavelength in a medium}) \quad \Delta x = d \sin \theta \quad (\text{path difference in double slits})$$
$$d \sin \theta = m\lambda \quad (\text{double slits bright fringes}) \quad d \sin \theta = (m + 1/2)\lambda \quad (\text{double slits dark fringes})$$

Diffraction:

$$D \sin \theta = m\lambda \quad (\text{single slit minima}) \quad y = L \tan \theta \quad (\text{position on a screen})$$
$$d \sin \theta = m\lambda \quad (\text{diffraction grating maxima}) \quad d = 1/(\text{lines per meter}).$$

Rayleigh's Diffraction Limit:

$$\theta_{\text{min}} = 1.22\lambda/D \quad (\text{resolution limit}) \quad \theta = s/r \quad (\text{angular separation in radians})$$

Polarization:

$$I = I_0 \cos^2 \theta \quad (\text{transmission thru polarizer}) \quad I = \frac{1}{2}I_0 \quad (\text{transmission of unpolarized light})$$

OpenStax Chapter 28 Equations - Special Relativity

Time dilation and length contraction:

$$\Delta t = \gamma \Delta t_0 = \Delta t_0 / \sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}$$

$$\gamma = 1/\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2} \quad (\text{relativistic factor})$$

$$L = L_0/\gamma = L_0 \sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}$$

$$v/c = \sqrt{1 - 1/\gamma^2} \quad (\text{velocity})$$

Dynamics, mass, energy:

$$p = \gamma m_0 v \quad (\text{relativistic momentum})$$

$$E_0 = m_0 c^2 \quad (\text{rest energy})$$

$$\text{KE} = E - E_0 = (\gamma - 1)m_0 c^2 \quad (\text{kinetic energy})$$

$$m_{\text{rel}} = \gamma m_0 \quad (\text{relativistic mass})$$

$$E = \gamma m_0 c^2 = m_{\text{rel}} c^2 \quad (\text{relativistic energy})$$

$$E = E_0 + \text{KE} = \sqrt{p^2 c^2 + m^2 c^4} \quad (\text{relativistic energy})$$

OpenStax Chapter 29 Equations - Quanta and Quantum Waves

Blackbody radiation, photons, photo-electric effect:

$$\lambda_p T = 2.90 \text{ mm} \cdot \text{K} \quad (\text{Wien's Law})$$

$$E = n h f, \quad n = 1, 2, 3 \dots \quad (\text{quantized radiation energy})$$

$$E = h f = W_0 + \text{KE}_{\text{max}} \quad (\text{photo-electrons})$$

$$\text{KE}_{\text{max}} = e V_0 \quad (\text{stopping potential})$$

$$I = \sigma T^4 \quad (\text{intensity or power/area})$$

$$E = h c / \lambda = (1240 \text{ eV} \cdot \text{nm}) / \lambda \quad (\text{photons})$$

$$h c / \lambda_{\text{max}} = W_0 \quad (\text{work function})$$

$$v_{\text{max}} = \sqrt{2 \text{KE}_{\text{max}} / m} \quad (\text{max. speed})$$

Momentum, matter waves:

$$p = h / \lambda \quad (\text{quantum momentum})$$

$$\lambda = h / p \quad (\text{de Broglie wavelength})$$

$$\Delta \text{KE} + q \Delta V = 0 \quad (\text{acceleration thru potential})$$

$$\lambda' = \lambda + \frac{h}{m c} (1 - \cos \phi) \quad (\text{Compton effect})$$

$$\text{KE} = p^2 / 2m \quad (\text{kinetic energy, } v \ll c)$$

$$v = \sqrt{2 q \Delta V / m} \quad (\text{acceleration thru potential, } v \ll c)$$

Heisenberg Uncertainty Principle:

$$\Delta x \Delta p_x \approx h \quad (\text{approximate relation})$$

$$\Delta E \Delta t \approx h \quad (\text{approximate relation})$$

$$\Delta x \Delta p_x \geq \hbar / 2 \quad (\text{has the minimum uncertainty})$$

$$\Delta E \Delta t \geq \hbar / 2 \quad (\text{energy-time form})$$

$$\Delta E = \Delta m \cdot c^2 \quad (\text{Einstein's mass-energy equivalence})$$

$$h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{s}$$

$$\hbar = \frac{h}{2\pi} = 1.05459 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{s}$$

← This has exact equality.