

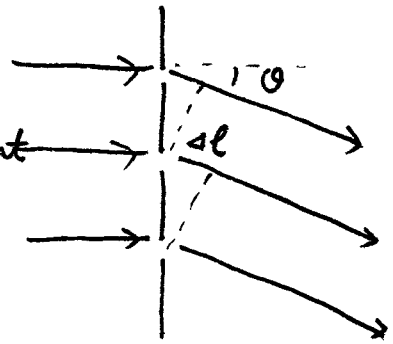
# Lect 12 Diffraction (II)

\* grating

a generalization of double slit experiment

to multiple slit. The distance difference between neighbouring slits  $\Delta l = d \sin \theta$

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when  $\Delta l = m\lambda$  on  $\boxed{d \sin \theta_m = m\lambda}$  ← interference maximal.

The peak width of multiple-slit is much sharper than the case of double-slit. A deviation from  $\theta_m$ ,  $\rightarrow$  many slits  $(1 + e^{i\varphi} + e^{i2\varphi} + \dots + e^{i(N-1)\varphi})$

$$E_{tot} = E_{single-slit} [1 + e^{i\varphi} + \dots + e^{i(N-1)\varphi}]$$

where  $\boxed{\varphi = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \cdot d \sin \theta}$

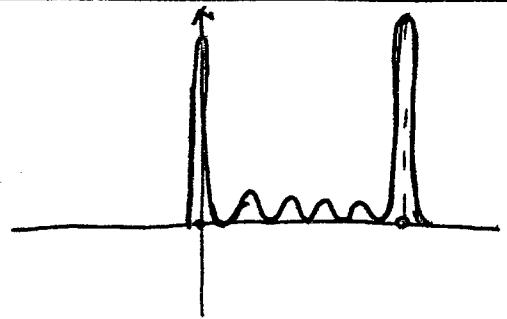
$$\Rightarrow E_{tot} = E_{single} \frac{1 - e^{iN\varphi}}{1 - e^{i\varphi}} = E_{single} \cdot e^{i\frac{N-1}{2}\varphi} \frac{\sin \frac{N}{2}\varphi}{\sin \frac{\varphi}{2}}$$

$$E_{single} = \frac{\sin \frac{x}{2}}{\frac{x}{2}} \quad \text{where } x = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} D \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{|E_{tot}|^2}{|E_{tot}(\theta=0)|^2} = \underbrace{\left( \frac{\sin \frac{N}{2}\varphi}{\sin \frac{\varphi}{2}} \right)^2}_{\text{multiple-slit}} \underbrace{\left( \frac{\sin \frac{x}{2}}{\frac{x}{2}} \right)^2}_{\text{single slit factor}}$$

① The maxima at  $\varphi_m = 2m\pi$ , where

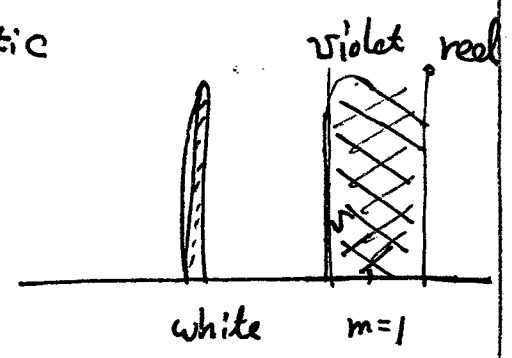
$$\frac{\sin \frac{N}{2} \varphi_m}{\sin \frac{\varphi_m}{2}} = N$$



② the width of the principle peaks  $\varphi - \varphi_m = \pm \frac{2\pi}{N} \propto \frac{1}{N}$

★ AMPAD spectrum: if light is not monochromatic

the zeroth order peak is white  
other high order peak develops dispersion



ex: determine the angular positions of the 1st, 2nd maxima for 400nm, 700nm, for grating 10,000 lines/cm.

$$d = 1 \times 10^{-2} / 10^4 \text{ m} = 1 \mu\text{m}$$

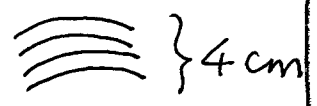
$$d \sin \theta_m = m \lambda \Rightarrow \sin \theta_{400} = \frac{m \lambda_{400}}{d} = \begin{cases} 0.4 & m=1 \Rightarrow \theta_{400} = 23.6^\circ \\ 0.8 & m=2 \Rightarrow \theta_{400} = 53.1^\circ \end{cases}$$

$$\sin \theta_{700} = \frac{m \lambda_{700}}{d} = \frac{0.7}{1} \Rightarrow \theta_{700} = 44.4^\circ$$

but second order does not exist

ex: CD. rainbow — reflection grating

$$200 - 500 \text{ rev/min} \times 80 \text{ min} \approx 28,000 \text{ lines}$$



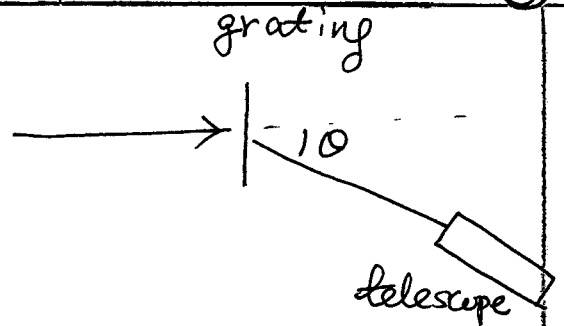
$$\Rightarrow d \approx \frac{4 \text{ cm}}{28,000} \approx 1.4 \mu\text{m}$$

if  $\lambda = 550 \text{ nm}$   
 $d \sim 2 \sim 3 \lambda$

\* Spectrometer

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

line spectrum: H.



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grating  $1 \times 10^4$  lines/cm — violet  $24.2^\circ$   
 blue  $25.7^\circ$   
 red  $41.1^\circ$

$$d = 1 \mu\text{m} \quad m = 1 \Rightarrow \lambda = 1 \mu\text{m} \sin 24.2^\circ = 434 \text{ nm}$$

$$\sin 25.7^\circ = 486 \text{ nm}$$

$$\sin 41.1^\circ = 656 \text{ nm}$$

dark lines (absorption) in sun's spectra.

\* resolving power for a diffraction grating

ex: 6-slits,  $N = 6$

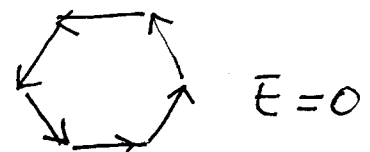
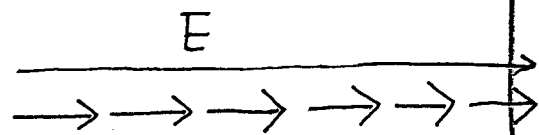
$$\frac{I(\theta)}{I(0)} = \left( \frac{\sin \frac{N}{2} \phi}{\sin \frac{\phi}{2}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{\sin \chi}{\chi} \right)^2$$

$$\phi = \frac{d \sin \theta}{\lambda} \cdot 2\pi$$

$$\chi = \frac{D \sin \theta}{\lambda} \cdot 2\pi$$

central maximum  $\theta = 0, \delta = 0$

minimum  $\theta = 60^\circ$



The first minimal occurs at  $\frac{N}{2} \varphi = \pi$  or  $\varphi = \frac{2\pi}{N}$

$$\frac{d \sin \theta \cdot 2\pi}{\lambda} = \frac{2\pi}{N} \Rightarrow d \theta \approx \frac{\lambda}{N} \text{ or } \theta_{\min} = \frac{1}{N} \frac{\lambda}{d}$$

or the half-angular width of the zeroth peak  $\Delta \theta_0 = \frac{\lambda}{Nd}$

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$$\left( \frac{\sin \frac{N\varphi}{2}}{\sin \frac{\varphi}{2}} \right)' = \frac{\cos \frac{N\varphi}{2} \cdot \frac{N}{2} \sin \frac{\varphi}{2} - \cos \frac{\varphi}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \sin \frac{N\varphi}{2}}{\left( \sin \frac{\varphi}{2} \right)^2} = 0$$

$$N \tan \frac{\varphi}{2} = \tan \frac{N\varphi}{2}$$

Since  $N$  is large  $\Rightarrow \frac{N\varphi}{2} \approx \frac{3}{2}\pi$

$$\frac{I_{\text{second}}}{I_0} \approx \left( \frac{1}{N \sin \frac{3\pi}{2N}} \right)^2 \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1}{\frac{3\pi}{2}} \right)^2 \sim \frac{1}{20}$$

half width of  $m$ -th order principle peak

$$\Delta \varphi = \frac{2\pi}{N}, \quad \varphi = \frac{d \sin \theta}{\lambda} \cdot 2\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta \varphi = \frac{d \cos \theta_m}{\lambda} \cdot 2\pi \Delta \theta_m$$

$$\text{or } \Delta \theta_m = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi d \cos \theta_m} \cdot \frac{2\pi}{N} = \frac{\lambda}{Nd \cos \theta_m}$$

resolving power

$$\Delta\theta_m = \frac{\lambda}{Nd \cos\theta_m} \quad \text{half-width for } m\text{-th peak for } \lambda$$

for another wavelength  $\lambda + d\lambda$ , according to  $d \sin\theta_m = m\lambda$   
 $\Rightarrow d \cos\theta_m \Delta\theta'_m = m \Delta\lambda$

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of  $\lambda$ , i.e.  $\Delta\theta'_m = \frac{m \Delta\lambda}{d \cos\theta_m} > \Delta\theta_m = \frac{\lambda}{Nd \cos\theta_m}$

$$\Rightarrow R = \frac{\lambda}{\Delta\lambda} < Nm \quad \text{or} \quad (\Delta\lambda)_{\min} = \frac{\lambda}{R}$$

Sodium Yellow doublet  $\lambda_1 = 589 \text{ nm}$   $\lambda_2 = 589.59 \text{ nm}$

grating 7500 line/cm

①  $d \sin\theta = m\lambda \Rightarrow |m| < \frac{d}{\lambda} \approx \frac{1 \text{ cm}}{7500 \times 589 \text{ nm}} \approx 2.26$   
 $\Rightarrow$  maximal value of  $m$  is 2.

②  $R = \frac{\lambda}{\Delta\lambda} \approx \frac{589}{0.59} \approx 1000 = Nm$

set  $m=2 \Rightarrow N=500$ . Thus the minimal width of

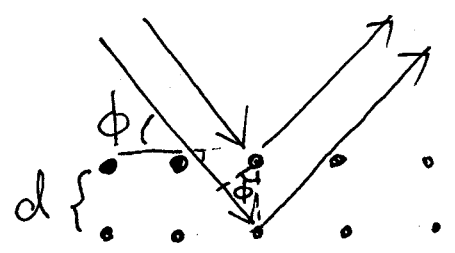
the grating  $Nd = 500 \times \frac{1 \text{ cm}}{7500} \approx 0.067 \text{ cm}$

# Crystal as grating - X-ray

$$2d \sin \phi = m \lambda \quad m=1, 2, 3$$

Bragg scattering

X-ray. Roentgen ~



$10^{-2} \text{ nm} \sim 10 \text{ nm}$   
wavelength

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many possible crystal planes

Ex  $\lambda \approx 1 \text{ \AA}$ , NaCl, second order peak at  $\phi = 21^\circ$

$$\Rightarrow 2d \sin 21^\circ = 2 \lambda \Rightarrow d = \frac{1 \text{ \AA}}{\sin 21^\circ} = 2.8 \text{ \AA}$$

