

Q-2) A soap film of refractive index 1.33 is illuminated with light of different wavelength at an angle of 45° there is complete destructive interference for $\lambda = 5890 \text{ \AA}$ find the minimum thickness of the film

$$\text{Sol} \quad \lambda = 5890 \text{ \AA} = 5890 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$$

$$n = 1.33, \quad i = 45^\circ, \quad m = 1$$

$$\mu = \frac{\sin i}{\sin r}$$

$$1.33 = \frac{\sin 45}{\sin r}$$

$$\sin r = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \times 1.33$$

$$\sin r = 0.5316$$

$$\cos r = 32.11$$

$$2et \cos r = m\lambda$$

$$2 \times 1.33 \times t \times \cos 32.11 = 1 \times 5890 \times 10^{-10}$$

$$t = \frac{5890 \times 10^{-10}}{2 \cdot 2531}$$

$$t = 2614.17 \times 10^{-10}$$

$$t = 2.61 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$$

Q-3) A thin film of soap solution is illuminated by white light at an angle of incidence $i = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)$ in reflected

light two dark consecutive overlapping
fringes were observed corresponding to
wavelength $6.1 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$ and $6.0 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$
the refractive index for soap solution
is $\frac{4}{3}$. calculate the thickness of film.

Sol $i = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)$, $\lambda_1 = 6.1 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$

$$\lambda_2 = 6.0 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m} \quad n = \frac{4}{3} = 1.33$$

$$\sin i = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\sin r = \frac{\sin i}{n} = \frac{4/5}{4/3} = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\sin r = 0.6$$

$$\cos r = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 r}$$

$$= \sqrt{1 - (0.6)^2} = \sqrt{0.64}$$

$$= 0.8$$

Let $m d_1 = m d_1 \dots \textcircled{1}$

Let $\cos r = (m+1) \lambda_2 \dots \textcircled{2}$

from eq. \textcircled{1} and \textcircled{2}

$$m d_1 = m d_2 + \lambda_2$$

$$\lambda_2 = m(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2)$$

$$m = \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2} = \frac{6.0 \times 10^{-7}}{(6.1 - 6.0) \times 10^{-7}}$$

$$m = 60$$

putting the value of m in eq \textcircled{1}

Let $\cos r = m \lambda_1$

$$2 \times 1.33 \times t \times 0.8 = 60 \times 6.1 \times 10^{-7}$$

$$t = \frac{60 \times 6.1 \times 10^{-7}}{2 \times 1.33 \times 0.8}$$

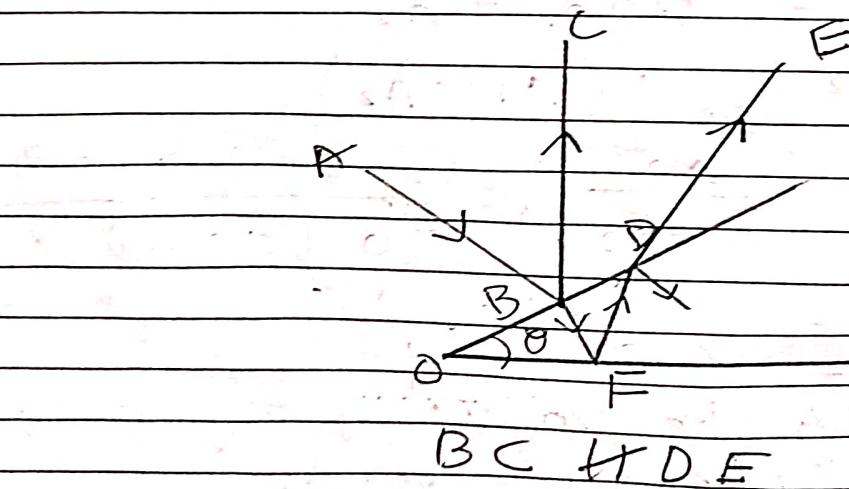
$$t = 171.99 \times 10^{-7}$$

$$t = 1.71 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}$$

wedge Shaped film

A thin film having zero thickness and at one end progressively increasing thickness at the other end is called wedge shaped film.

When parallel beam of monochromatic light illuminates the wedge film from above, the rays reflected from its two boundary surfaces will not be parallel they appear to diverge from a point near the film. The path difference between rays reflected from upper and lower surfaces (BC and DE) depends upon the thickness of the film.



path difference b/w BC & DF

$$\Delta = 2et \cos\alpha - \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

For maxima

$$2et \cos\alpha - \frac{\lambda}{2} = m\lambda$$

$$2et \cos\alpha = (2m+1) \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

For minima

$$2et \cos\alpha - \frac{\lambda}{2} = (2m+1) \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

$$2et \cos\alpha = (m+1)\lambda$$

$$2et \cos\alpha = m\lambda$$

* Fringe width

Consider a wedge shaped film having normal incidence. Let x_m be the distance of m^{th} dark fringe from apex (O).

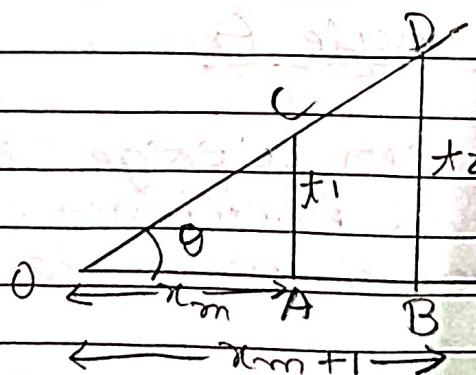
$x_{m+1} \rightarrow$ distance of $(m+1)^{\text{th}}$ dark fringe from O.

t_1, t_2 be the thickness at point A & B

$\theta \rightarrow$ wedge angle

Normal incidence

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 0^\circ \text{ or } \cos\alpha = 1$$



Condition for dark fringe

$$2et \cos \theta = m\lambda$$

$$2et = m\lambda$$

For m^{th} fringe, $2et = m\lambda \quad \text{--- (1)}$

For $(m+1)^{th}$, $2et_2 = (m+1)\lambda \quad \text{--- (2)}$

In ΔAOC

$$\tan \theta = \frac{t_1}{x_m}$$

$$t_1 = x_m \tan \theta$$

In ΔBOD

$$\tan \theta = \frac{t_2}{x_{m+1}}$$

$$t_2 = x_{m+1} \tan \theta$$

Similarly $t_2 = x_{m+1} \tan \theta$

Putting the value of t_1 & t_2 in eq (1) & (2)

$$2et_m \tan \theta = m\lambda \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$2et_{m+1} \tan \theta = (m+1)\lambda \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

Subtracting (3) from (4)

$$2et \tan \theta (x_{m+1} - x_m) = (m+1)\lambda - m\lambda \\ = \lambda$$

$$x_{m+1} - x_m = \frac{\lambda}{2et \tan \theta}$$

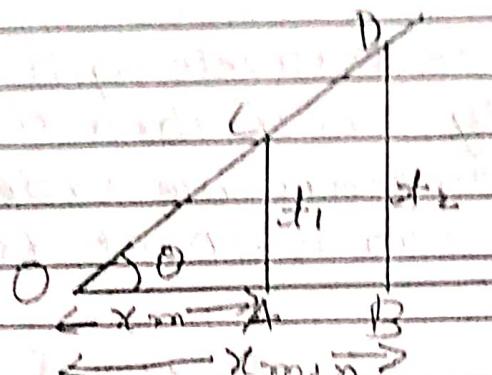
$$\boxed{\beta = \frac{\lambda}{2et \tan \theta}} \quad \because \theta \rightarrow \text{Very Small}$$

Wedge angle θ

Consider a thin wedge shape film having normal incidence. A dark fringe of order m is found at A and

Dark fringe of order $m+n$ is formed at

B



$$\tan \theta = \frac{f_1}{x_m}$$

$$f_1 = x_m \tan \theta = x_m \cdot \theta$$

$$2 \cdot \text{ctg } \theta = m\lambda$$

$$2u x_m \theta = m\lambda \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Semi-diagram } 2 \cdot \text{ctg } x_{m+n} \theta = (m+n) \lambda - (2)$$

Subtracting (1) from (2)

$$2 \cdot \text{ctg } (x_{m+n} - x_m) \theta = (m+n) \lambda - m\lambda$$

$$= n\lambda$$

$$\theta = \frac{n\lambda}{2u(x_{m+n} - x_m)}$$

Properties of interference pattern

- 1) fringes will be straight and parallel.
- 2) fringes are of equal thickness and equidistant.

- 3) Fringes are localized.
4) Fringes at the apex is dark.

Q-1) Light of wavelength $\lambda = 6000 \text{ Å} = 6000 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$ falls normally on a thin wedge shaped film of refractive index 1.4 forming fringe 1^{st} at 2 mm apart. Find the angle of wedge.

Sol given:- $\lambda = 6000 \text{ Å} = 6000 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$
 $n = 1.4$

$$\beta = 2 \text{ mm} = 2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$$

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

$$\theta = \frac{\lambda}{2 \beta n} = \frac{6000 \times 10^{-10}}{2 \times 1.4 \times 2 \times 10^{-3}}$$

$$\theta = 1.07 \times 10^{-4}$$

Q-2) Interference fringes are produced with monochromatic light on a wedge shaped film of refractive index 1.4. The angle of the wedge is 10 seconds of an arc and the distance between successive fringes is 0.5 cm. Cal. the light of wavelength of light used.

Sol $\beta = 0.5 \text{ cm} = 5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$, $n = 1.4$

$$\theta = 10'' = \frac{10 \times \pi}{60 \times 60 \times 180} \text{ rad}$$

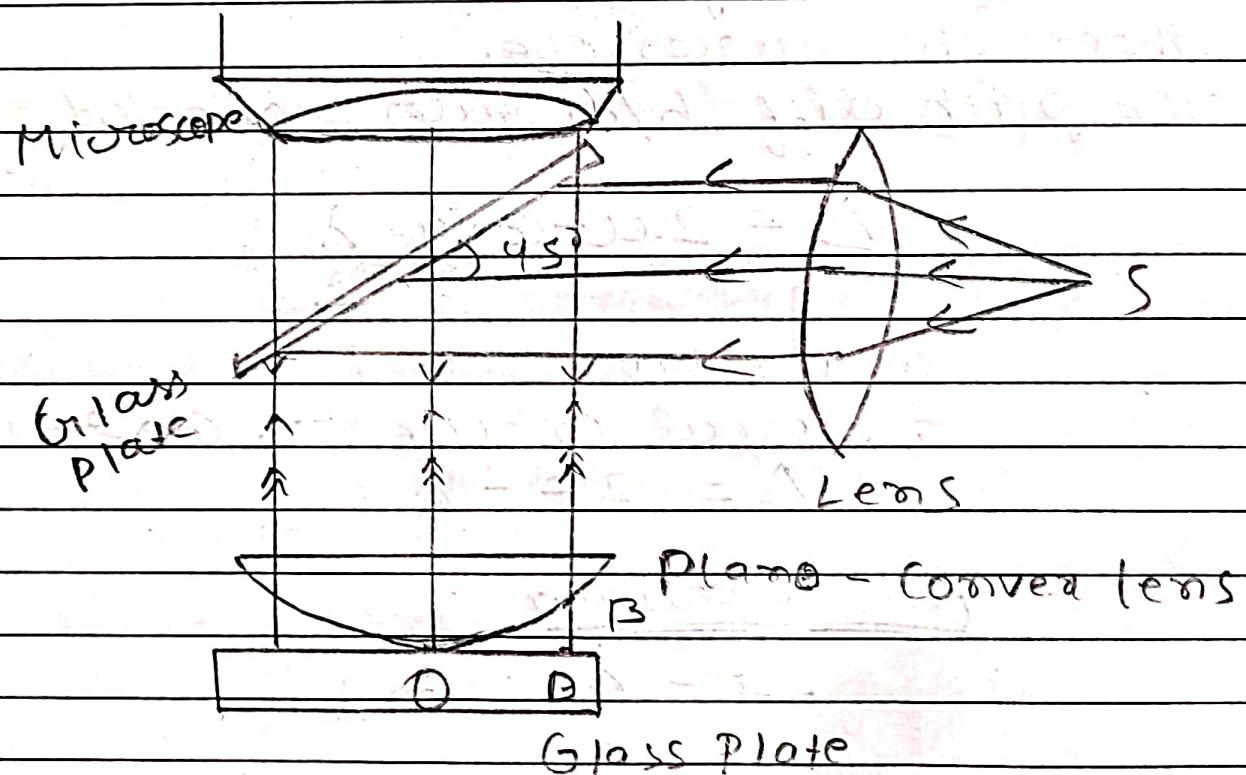
$$\beta = \frac{\lambda}{260}$$

$$\lambda = \beta \times 260$$

$$\lambda = \frac{5 \times 2 \times 1.4 \times 10 \times 3.14 \times 10^{-3}}{60 \times 60 \times 180}$$

$$\lambda = 6.78 \times 10^{-8}$$

Newton's Ring



Newton's rings are formed when a plane-convex lens placed on a plane glass sheet is illuminated from the top with monochromatic light. A thin air film is formed between the lens and plate whose thickness is zero at the point of contact.

monochromatic light from extended source is made parallel by a lens. If it is incident on glass plate inclined at 45° degree, and it is reflected normally downward on the plane-convex lens. A small part of light is reflected from the upper surface of thin film (B) (Point B). The remainder is reflected from the lower surface of film (Point D). These two rays are coherent, interfere interference pattern which can be seen through microscope.

The path diff b/w two reflected rays is

$$\Delta = 2et \cos\alpha - \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

air film, $n=1$
normal incident, $\cos\alpha=1$

$$\Delta = 2t - \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

for maxima

$$2t - \frac{\lambda}{2} = n\lambda$$

$$2t = (2n+1) \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

for minima

$$2t - \frac{\lambda}{2} = (2n+1) \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

$$2t = m\lambda$$

where $m = n + 1$

Circular fringes

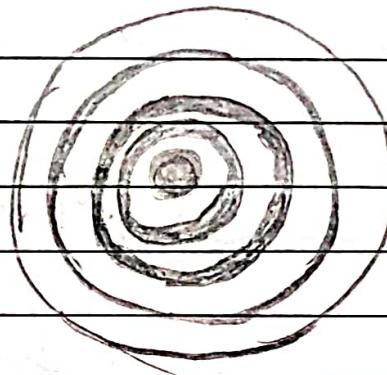
The focus of all points corresponding to equal specific thickness of air film falls on a circle whose point of centre is at point of contact O. Since each maxima and minima is focus of constant film thickness therefore fringes are circular they are also called fringes in equal thickness.

Central dark spot

$$\text{path diff } \Delta = 2t - \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

at the centre $t=0$

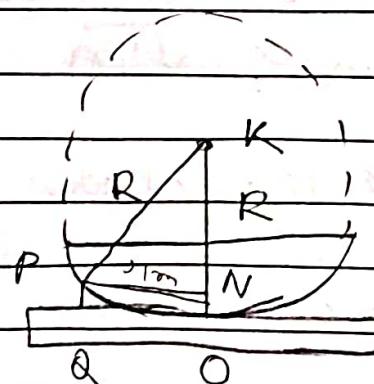
$$\text{path diff} = \frac{\lambda}{2}$$



→ Which is a condition for dark fringe therefore central spot is dark.

Radius of dark fringes

let R be the radius of curvature of the plane lens let a dark fringe be located at Q where thickness of film is t . if the order of this fringe or ring is n . then OQ is equal to nr_m ($OQ = nr_m$)



$$\Delta KPN, KP^2 = PN^2 + KN^2$$

$$R^2 = d_m^2 + (R-t)^2$$

$$d_m^2 = R^2 - (R-t)^2$$

$$d_m^2 = R^2 - R^2 - t^2 + 2Rt$$

$$d_m^2 = 2Rt - t^2$$

$$\therefore R \gg t$$

$$\therefore 2Rt \gg t^2$$

$\Rightarrow t^2$ is neglected

$$d_m^2 = 2Rt \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$d_m = \sqrt{2Rt}$$

$$D_m = 2\sqrt{2Rt}$$

For dark ring

$$2t = m\lambda$$

Putting in eq (1)

$$d_m = \sqrt{m\lambda R}$$

$$D_m = 2\sqrt{m\lambda R}$$

$\therefore \lambda \& R$ are constant
 $D_m \propto \sqrt{m}$

\Rightarrow the diameter of the dark ring is directly proportional to square root of natural numbers

Few bright rings

$$2t = (2n+1) \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

Putting in eq ①

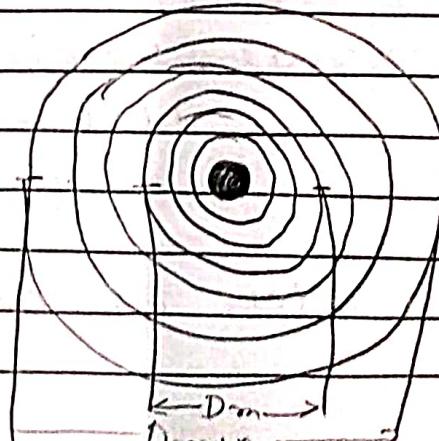
$$\boxed{d_m = \sqrt{\frac{(2n+1)\lambda R}{2}}}$$

$$\boxed{D_m = 2 \sqrt{\frac{(2n+1)\lambda R}{2}}}$$

⇒ Application

1) Determination of wavelength

Airfilm is illuminated by monochromatic light. The microscope is adjusted till circular rings come into focus. Now turning the screw, microscope is moved towards one side tangential of 5th, 10th, 15th, ... Dark rings are noted. The microscope is moved to the other side and again the position of 5th, 10th, 15th, ... Dark rings are noted. The difference b/w these two readings gives the diameter.



Diameter of dark fringing

$$D_m = 2 \sqrt{m \lambda R}$$

$$D_m^2 = 4 m \lambda R$$

$$D_{m+p}^2 = 4(m+p) \lambda R$$

$$D_{m+p}^2 - D_m^2 = 4 \lambda R (p - m)$$

$$D_{m+p}^2 - D_m^2 = 4 p \lambda R$$

$$\boxed{\lambda = \frac{D_{m+p}^2 - D_m^2}{4 p R}}$$

2) Determination of refractive index of liquid
we know that

$$[D_{m+p}^2 - D_m^2]_{\text{air}} = 4 p \lambda R \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Now A liquid whose refractive index is to be determine is filled between the lens and plate. now the condition for dark fringing becomes

Condition for dark fringing is

$$2 \text{et} \cos r = m \lambda$$

Normal incidence, $\cos r = 1$

$$2 \text{et} = m \lambda$$

$$2l = \frac{m \lambda}{4}$$

diameter of dark fringing

$$D_m = 2 \sqrt{2 R l}$$

$$[D_m]_{\text{air}} = 2 \sqrt{\frac{m\lambda R}{\epsilon\mu}}$$

$$[D_m]_{\text{liq}}^2 = \frac{4m\lambda R}{\epsilon\mu}$$

$$[D_{m+p}]_{\text{liq}}^2 = \frac{4(m+p)\lambda R}{\epsilon\mu}$$

$$[D_{m+p}^2 - D_m^2]_{\text{liq}} = \frac{4p\lambda R}{\epsilon\mu} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

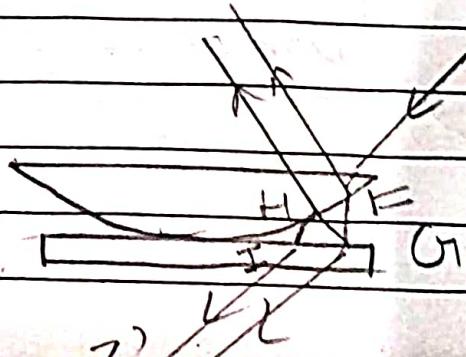
Dividing eq (1) by (2)

$$\frac{[D_{m+p}^2 - D_m^2]_{\text{air}}}{[D_{m+p}^2 - D_m^2]_{\text{liq}}} = \frac{\epsilon\mu}{\epsilon\mu}$$

The diameter of the ring decreases when liquid is filled between lens and plate.

Newton's Ring by transmitted light

A monochromatic light beam is transmitted along O_1' , it partially reflected at G_1 and H and finally transmit along I_2' . The ray I_2' suffers reflection two times from denser medium before coming out.



$$\text{Path diff} = 2ct \cos\theta - \frac{d}{2} + \frac{d}{2}$$

$$\Delta = 2ct \cos\theta$$

normal incidence, $\cos\theta = 1$

$$\boxed{\Delta = 2ct}$$

for bright ring

$$2ct = nd$$

for dark ring

$$2ct = (2n+1) \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

Diameter of rings

we know that $\sigma_m^2 = 2Rt$

~~For dark ring bright ring~~

$$2ct = nd$$

$$2t = \frac{nd}{\mu}$$

$$\sigma_m^2 = \frac{n\lambda R}{\mu}$$

$$\sigma_m = \sqrt{\frac{n\lambda R}{\mu t}}$$

$$D_m = 2 \sqrt{\frac{n\lambda R}{\mu}}$$

for air film $\mu = 1$

$$\boxed{D_m = 2 \sqrt{n\lambda R}}$$

for dark ring

$$z_{\text{ext}} = \frac{(2n+1)\lambda}{2}$$

$$z_{\text{el}} = \frac{(2n+1)\lambda}{2u}$$

$$d_m = \sqrt{\frac{(2n+1)\lambda R}{2u}}$$

$$D_m = 2 \sqrt{\frac{(2n+1)\lambda R}{2u}}$$

For air

$$D_m = 2 \sqrt{\frac{(2n+1)\lambda R}{u}}$$

⇒ the ring pattern observe in reflected light is exactly complementary to those seen in transmitted light

Q) Effect of placing mirror in place of glass plate.

Ans) the ring would disappear and uniform brightness is observed because transmitted rays will also be reflected from mirror. Two complementary rings pattern will overlap.

Q) Effect of increasing distance between lens and plate

Ans) the ring come closer to each

other until the can we longer be separately observed.

Q) Effect of including liquid between lens and plate.

(Ans) diameter of the ring decreases because $D_m = 2\sqrt{mR/\lambda}$.

Q) Effect of small radius of curvature.

(Ans) Since $D_m = 2\sqrt{mR}$ therefore R is small D_m also small.

Q) Effect of placing plano-concave lens.

(Ans) fringes are circular but order of the ring is reverse.

Numericals

Q-1) Newton's ring are observed in reflected light of wavelength 5900 Å . The diameter of the 10th dark ring is 0.5 cm . Find the Radius of Curvature of lens and thickness of airfilm.

$$\text{Sol} \quad \lambda = 5900 \text{ Å} = 5900 \times 10^{-8} \text{ cm}$$

$$m = 10, D_m = 0.5 \text{ cm}$$

$$D_m = 2\sqrt{mR}$$

$$D_m^2 = 4mR$$

$$R = \frac{D_m^2}{4m\lambda} = \frac{0.25}{4 \times 10 \times 5900 \times 10^{-8}}$$

$$= 1.059 \times 10^{-2} \text{ cm}$$

Condition for dark

$$2t = \lambda n$$

$$t = \frac{10 \times 5900 \times 10^{-8}}{2}$$

$$= 2950 \times 10^{-7} \text{ cm}$$

Q-2) A Newton's ring experiment the diameter of 15th ring was found to be 0.590 cm and that of 5th ring is 0.336 cm if the radius of plane - convex lens is 100 cm calculate the wavelength of light used

Sol $D_{15} = 0.590 \text{ cm}$

$$D_5 = 0.336 \text{ cm}$$

$$R = 100 \text{ cm}$$

$$m+p = 15, m = 5$$

$$P = 10$$

$$\lambda = \frac{D_{m+p}^2 - D_m^2}{4P.R}$$

$$\lambda = (0.590)^2 - (0.336)^2$$

$$4 \times 10 \times 100$$

$$= \frac{0.2352}{40000}$$

$$= 58880 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm}$$

Q-3) A student in Newton's Ring experiment finds the diameters of 4th and 12th dark rings are 0.4 and 0.7 cm respectively. Find the diameter of 20th dark ring.

Sol $D_4 = 0.4 \text{ cm}$

$$D_{12} = 0.7 \text{ cm}$$

$$D_{12}^2 - D_4^2 = 4 \times 8\lambda R = 32\lambda R \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$D_{20}^2 - D_{12}^2 = 4 \times 8\lambda R = 32\lambda R \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$D_{20}^2 - D_{12}^2 = D_{12}^2 - D_4^2$$

$$D_{20}^2 = 2D_{12}^2 - D_4^2$$

$$D_{20}^2 = 2 \times 0.49 - 0.16$$

$$= 0.98 - 0.16$$

$$= 0.82$$

$$D_{20} = \sqrt{0.82}$$

$$D_{20} = 0.905 \text{ cm}$$

Q-4) Newton's Rings are formed in reflected light of wavelength 6000 \AA with a liquid between plane and curved surface if the diameter of 5th bright ring is 3.1 mm and the radius of curvature is 1 m calculate the refractive index of liquid.

Sol $\lambda = 6000 \times 10^{-8} \text{ cm}, n = ?$

$$D_n = 3.1 \text{ mm} = 0.31 \text{ cm}$$

~~Re 100 = 100 cm~~

$$D_m^2 = \frac{1}{2} \pi R$$

$$D_m^2 = \frac{1}{2} \pi R$$

$$d = \frac{\pi R}{D_m^2}$$

$$d = 2(10+1) \times 0.0001 \times 10^{-3} / 100 \\ 0.31$$

$$d = \frac{1146000 \times 100 \times 10^{-3}}{0.31}$$

$$d = 0.21$$

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