## Short Answer

## 17.1 Understanding Diffraction and Interference 21.

Light passing through double slits creates a diffraction pattern. How would the spacing of the bands in the pattern change if the slits were closer together?

- a. The bands would be closer together.
- b. The bands would spread farther apart.
- c. The bands would remain stationary.
- d. The bands would fade and eventually disappear.

22.

A beam of light passes through a single slit to create a diffraction pattern. How will the spacing of the bands in the pattern change if the width of the slit is increased?

- a. The width of the spaces between the bands will remain the same.
- b. The width of the spaces between the bands will increase.
- c. The width of the spaces between the bands will decrease.
- d. The width of the spaces between the bands will first decrease and then increase.

23.

What is the wavelength of light falling on double slits separated by  $2.00\, \text{mu} \text{text}\{m\}$  if the third-order maximum is at an angle of  $60.0^{\}$ 

- a.  $667\, \text{text}\{nm\}$
- b.  $471\, \text{text}\{nm\}$
- c. 333\,\text{nm}
- d.  $577\, \text{text}\{nm\}$

24.

What is the longest wavelength of light passing through a single slit of width 1.20 m for which there is a first-order minimum?

- a.  $1.04 \mu m$
- b. 0.849 µm
- c.  $0.600 \ \mu m$
- $d. 2.40 \mu m$

## 17.2 Applications of Diffraction, Interference, and Coherence 25.

Describe a diffraction grating and the interference pattern it produces.

a. A diffraction grating is a large collection of evenly spaced parallel lines that produces an interference pattern that is similar to but sharper and better dispersed than that of a double slit.

- b. A diffraction grating is a large collection of randomly spaced parallel lines that produces an interference pattern that is similar to but less sharp or well-dispersed as that of a double slit.
- c. A diffraction grating is a large collection of randomly spaced intersecting lines that produces an interference pattern that is similar to but sharper and better dispersed than that of a double slit.
- d. A diffraction grating is a large collection of evenly spaced intersecting lines that produces an interference pattern that is similar to but less sharp or well-dispersed as that of a double slit.

26.

Suppose pure-wavelength light falls on a diffraction grating. What happens to the interference pattern if the same light falls on a grating that has more lines per centimeter?

- a. The bands will spread farther from the central maximum.
- b. The bands will come closer to the central maximum.
- c. The bands will not spread farther from the first maximum.
- d. The bands will come closer to the first maximum.

27.

How many lines per centimeter are there on a diffraction grating that gives a first-order maximum for 473 nm blue light at an angle of 25.0°?

- a. 529,000 lines/cm
- b. 50,000 lines/cm
- c. 851 lines/cm
- d. 8,934 lines/cm

28.

What is the distance between lines on a diffraction grating that produces a second-order maximum for 760-nm red light at an angle of  $60.0^{\circ}$ ?

- a.  $2.28 \times 10^4 \text{ nm}$
- b.  $3.29 \times 10^{2} \text{ nm}$
- c.  $2.53 \times 10^{1} \text{ nm}$
- d.  $1.76 \times 10^3 \text{ nm}$