Q7. Calculate the minimum number of lines required on grating that can just resolve the two sodium lines λ 1=5890A and λ 2=5893 A in third order.

Given:-
$$\lambda_1$$
=5890 x 10⁻⁸ cm, λ_2 =5893 x 10⁻⁸ cm, m=3

Formula:- Resolving power =
$$\frac{\lambda}{d\lambda} = mN$$

Solution:-
$$\lambda = \frac{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2}{2} = \frac{(5890 + 5896)10^{-8}}{2} = 5893 \text{ x } 10^{-8} \text{ cm}$$

$$d = (5896 - 5890) \times 10^{-8} = 6 \times 10^{-8} \text{ cm}$$

$$N = \frac{\lambda}{m \ d\lambda} = \frac{5893 \times 10^{-8}}{3 \times 6 \times 10^{-8}} = 327$$

Ans:- Minimum of 327 lines are required on the grating.