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## Physical Experiment II

### Prelab Report 08

Experiment Title: Measuring Laser Wavelength and Index of Refraction of Air by Michelson Interferometer

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### Answers to Questions (20 points)

(1) Firstly, add a perpendicular line of AB that goes through point C and intersects AB at point F. Secondly, let the intersection point of the dotted line and BE be point G, and the intersection point of the dotted line and CD be point H.

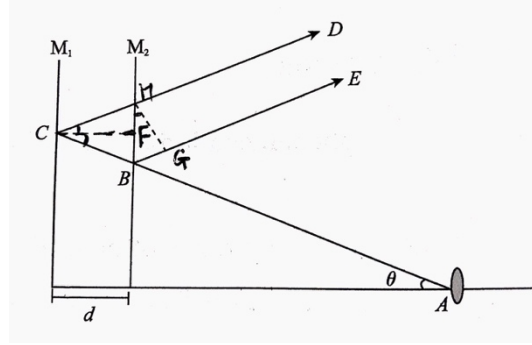
$$BF = d \tan \theta;$$

$$BH = 2d \tan \theta;$$

$$BC = \frac{d}{\cos \theta};$$

$$BG = BH \cdot \sin \theta = 2d \tan \theta \cdot \sin \theta;$$

$$\Delta \text{path} = CH + BC - BG = 2 \cdot BC - BG = \frac{2d}{\cos \theta} - 2d \tan \theta \cdot \sin \theta = 2d \cos \theta$$



(2)

a. The reflected beam passes through the beam splitter for 3 times.

b. The purpose of the compensator plate  $G_2$  is to make the calculation of the difference be easier, since we can use the distance between the  $M_1$  and  $M_2'$  to calculate the path difference directly.

c. The thickness of  $G_2$  is supposed to be equal to the thickness of  $G_1$