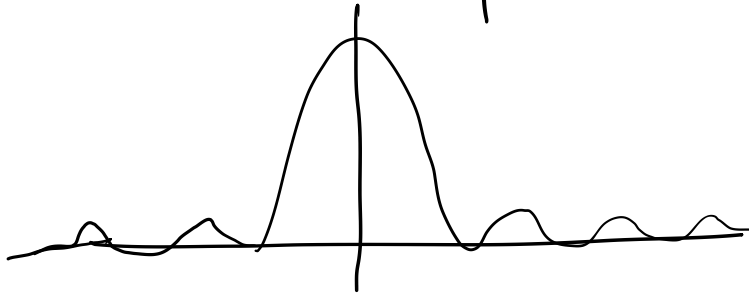
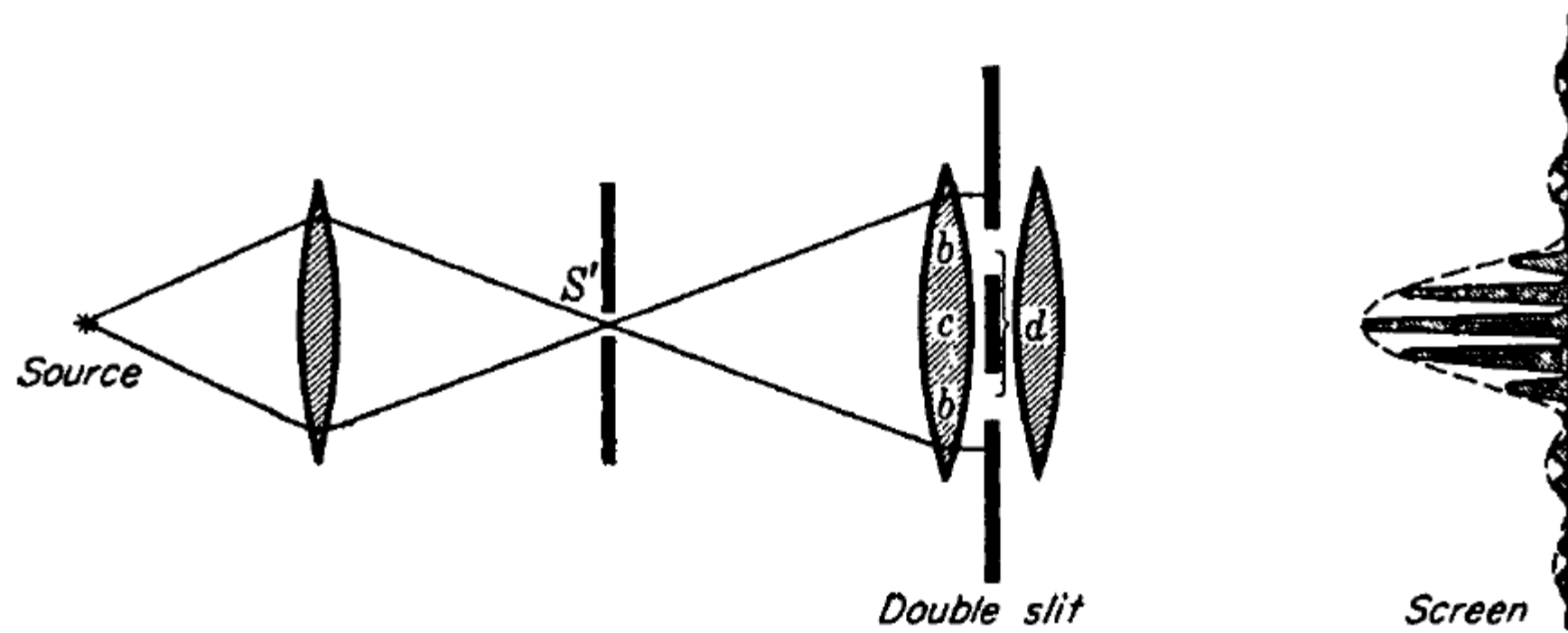


Single slit diffraction

$$I = I_0 \frac{\sin^2 \beta}{\beta^2} .$$





slit width =  $b$   
separation =  $d$

same calculation  
as in single slit  
with changed  
integration limits

origin at centre of  $c$

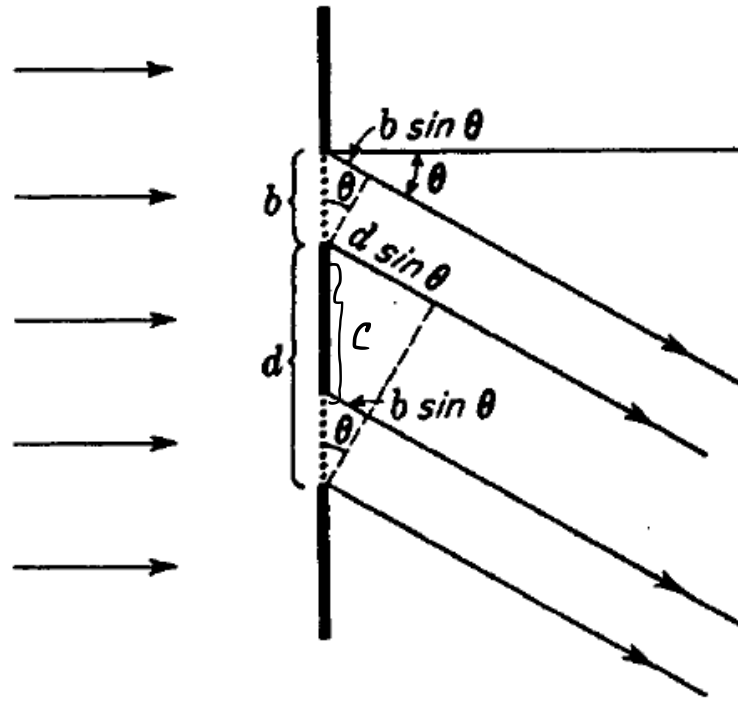
integration from  $s = \frac{d}{2} - \frac{b}{2}$  to  $s = \frac{d}{2} + \frac{b}{2}$

$$y = \frac{2a}{k \sin \theta} \left[ \sin \left[ \frac{1}{2} k (b+d) \sin \theta \right] - \sin \left[ \frac{1}{2} k (d-b) \sin \theta \right] \right] \sin(\omega t - kx)$$

$$y = 2ab \frac{\sin \frac{\beta}{2}}{\frac{\beta}{2}} \cos \gamma \sin(\omega t - kx)$$

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{2} k d \sin \theta$$

$$\beta = \frac{1}{2} k b \sin \theta$$



for single slit  
Amplitude of  
each element of  
wavefront  
 $a ds$

$$I = \underbrace{\frac{4A_0^2}{I_0}}_{\text{single slit diff.}} \underbrace{\frac{\sin^2 \beta}{\beta^2}}_{\text{double slit interference}} \cos^2 \gamma$$

$$\gamma = \delta/2$$

• minima

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \beta = m\pi \rightarrow \text{from diffraction} \\ \gamma = (n + \frac{1}{2})\pi \rightarrow \text{from interference.} \end{array} \right.$$

$\beta, \gamma$  are not completely independent

$$\frac{\gamma}{\beta} = d/b.$$

Exact positions of maxima are complex.

Approx. positions by neglecting diffraction factor  $\frac{\sin^2 \beta^2}{\beta^2}$

$\Rightarrow$  Maxima  $\boxed{d \sin \theta = m \lambda}$

Missing orders

could happen: diffraction minimum falls exactly on an interference maximum

$\Rightarrow$  that order ~~is~~ will be missing.

$$d \sin \theta = m \lambda \rightarrow \text{int max.}$$

$$b \sin \theta = p \lambda \rightarrow \text{diffraction min.}$$

$\rightarrow \boxed{d/b = m/p}$  e.g.  $\frac{d}{b} = 2$ , orders 2, 4, 6 will be missing.

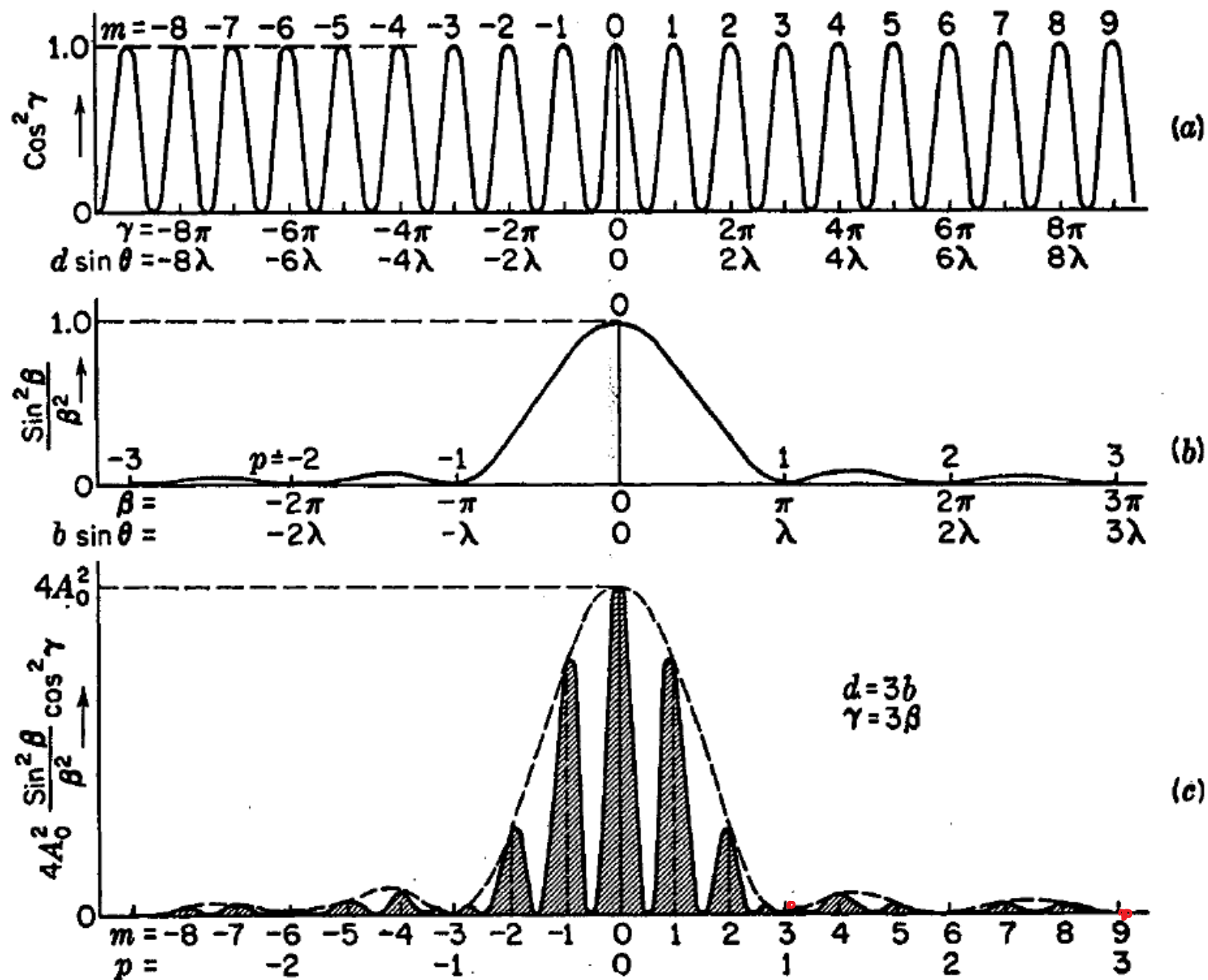
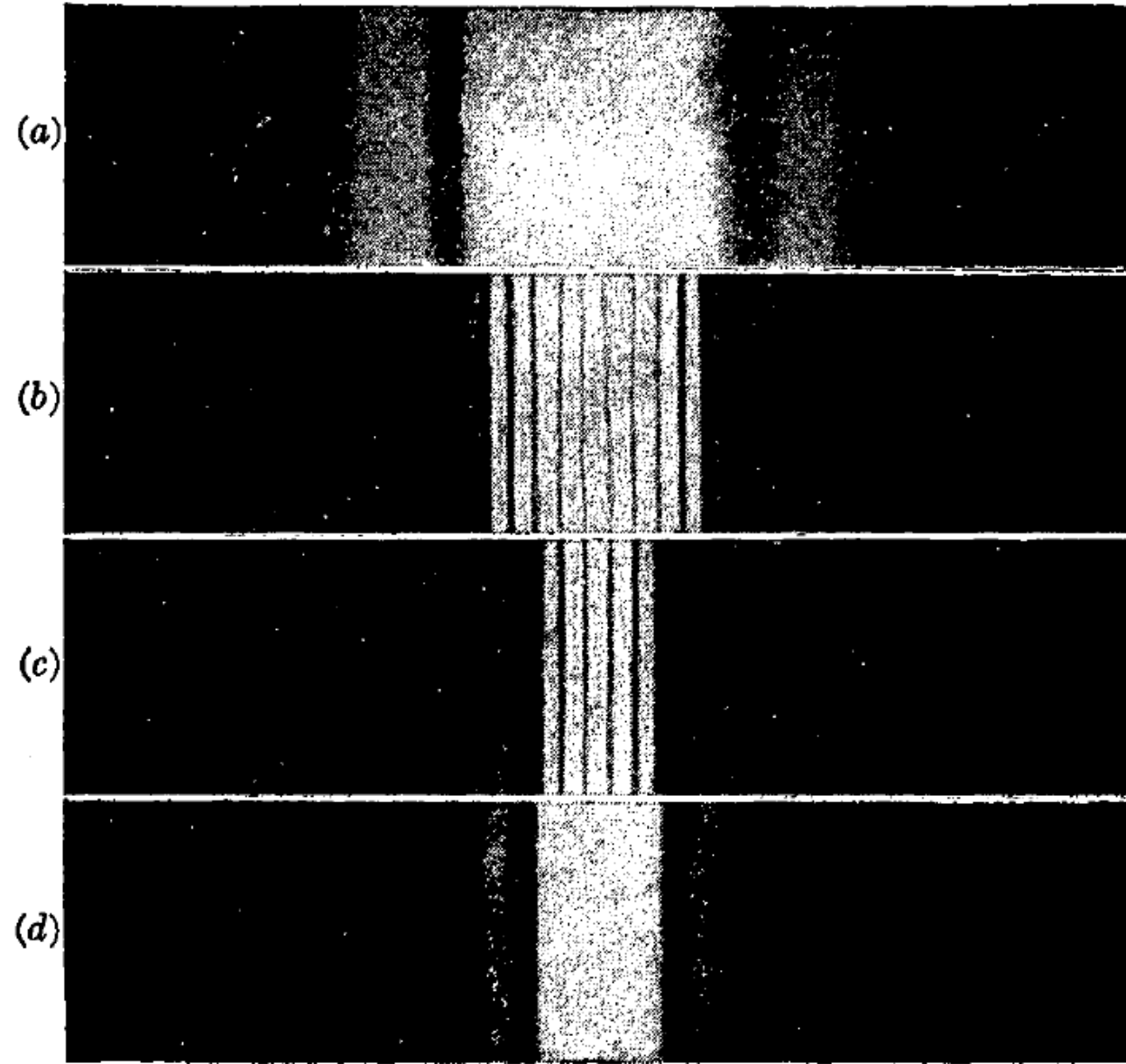


FIGURE 16D

Intensity curves for a double slit where  $d = 3b$ .

$d = \text{fixed}$   
 $b = \text{varying}$   
$$I \propto \frac{\sin^2 \beta}{\beta^2} \cos^2 \gamma$$



**FIGURE 16A**

Diffraction patterns from (a) a single narrow slit, (b) two narrow slits, (c) two wider slits, (d) one wider slit.

$b$  fixed  
changing  $d$ .

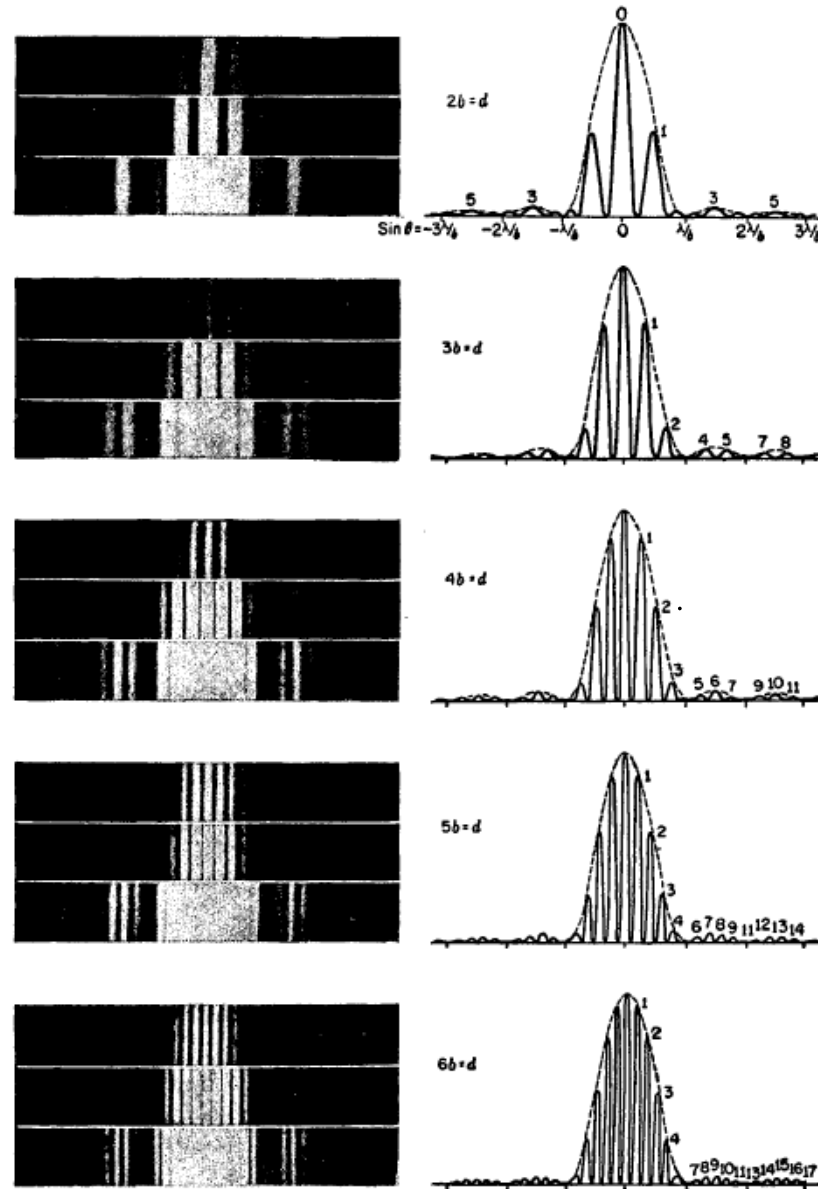


FIGURE 16E  
Photographs and intensity curves for double-slit diffraction patterns.

$$d = 2b$$

$$d = 3b$$

$$d = 4b$$

$$d = 5b$$

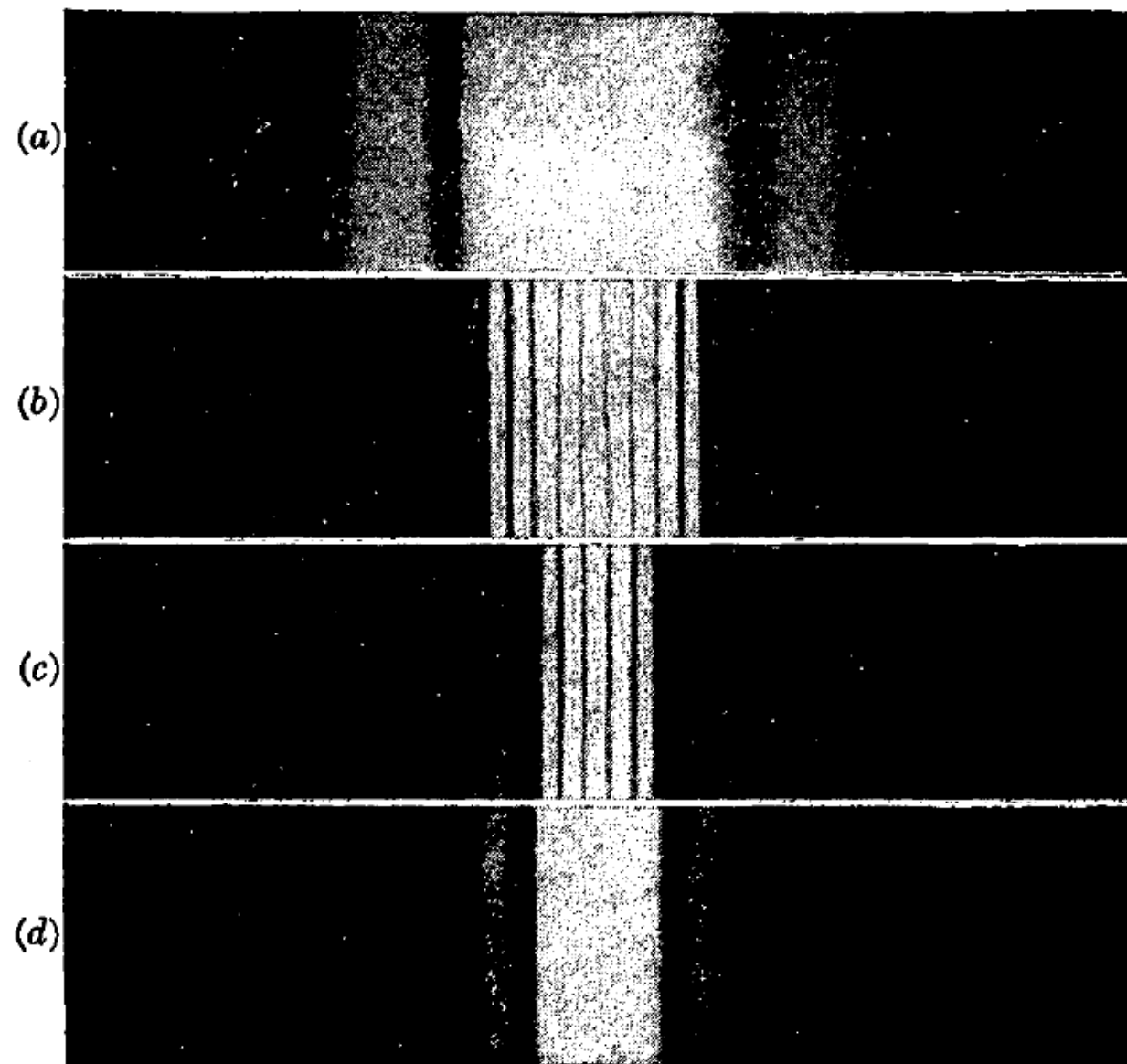
$$d = 6b$$



## Diffraction grating

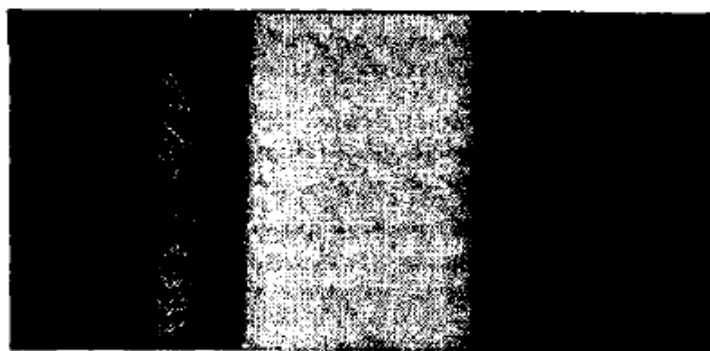
Effect of increasing the # of slits .

→ large no. of parallel equidistant slit .



**FIGURE 16A**

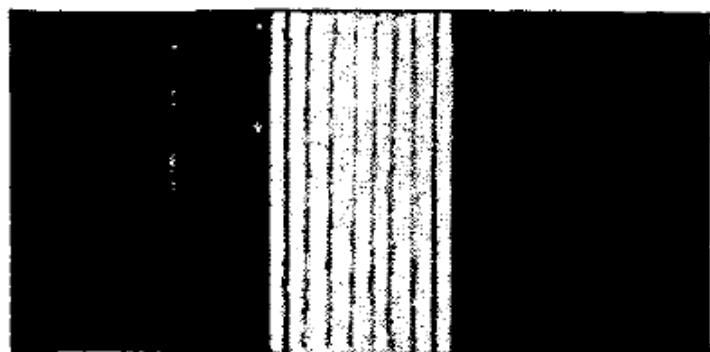
Diffraction patterns from (a) a single narrow slit, (b) two narrow slits, (c) two wider slits, (d) one wider slit.



(a) 1 slit



(d) 5 slits



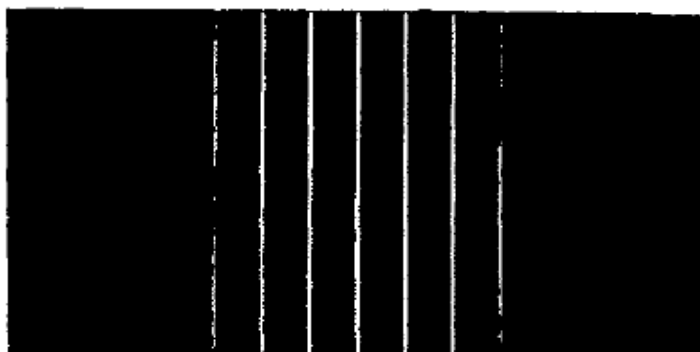
(b) 2 slits



(e) 6 slits



(c) 3 slits



(f) 20 slits



