

# Waves (Solutions)

1.

$$T = \mu x g + mg$$

$$v = \frac{dx}{dt} = \sqrt{\frac{T}{\mu}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu x g + mg}{\mu}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu x g + mg}} dx = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\mu}} dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ 2 \sqrt{\mu x g + mg} \frac{1}{\mu g} \right]_0^d = \left[ \sqrt{\frac{1}{\mu}} t \right]_0^T$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{T = \frac{2}{\sqrt{g}} \left( \sqrt{d + \frac{m}{\mu}} - \sqrt{\frac{m}{\mu}} \right)}$$

3.

(a)  $p = \frac{1}{d}$

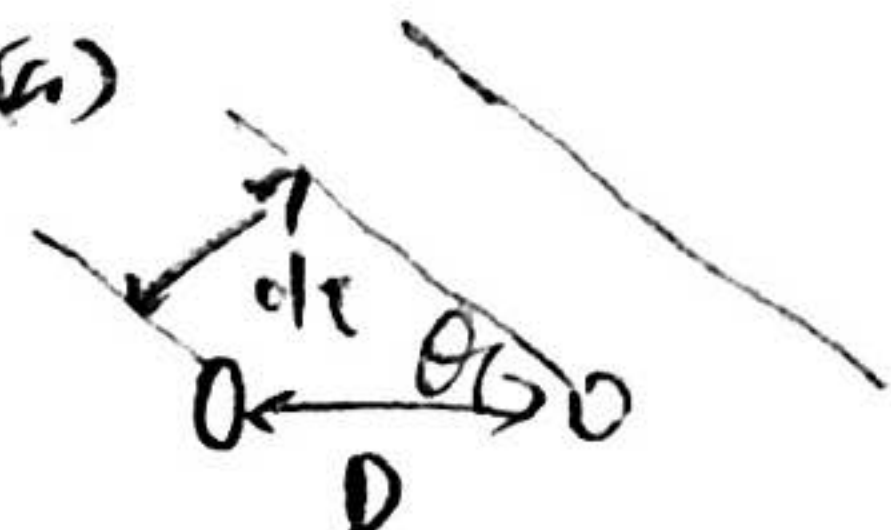
Since  $d \sin \theta_1 = \lambda_1$ ,  $\boxed{p = \frac{\sin \theta_1}{\lambda_1}}$

(b) Red colour has longer wavelength  
 $\Rightarrow$  disappears more easily.

$$d \sin \theta_1 = n \lambda_1 \Rightarrow \sin \theta_1 = \frac{n \lambda_1}{d}$$

$$\Rightarrow n \leq \frac{d}{\lambda_1} \Rightarrow \boxed{n_{\max} = \left\lfloor \frac{d}{\lambda_1} \right\rfloor}$$

2. (a)



$$\sin \theta = \frac{x}{D}$$

$$= \frac{v \Delta t}{D}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\Delta t = \frac{D \sin \theta}{v} \text{ where } v = \sqrt{\frac{B}{\rho}}}$$

(b)  $\Delta t = \frac{D \cdot \sin(90^\circ)}{v_{\text{water}}} = \frac{D \sin \theta'}{v_{\text{air}}}$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\theta' = 13.4^\circ}$$

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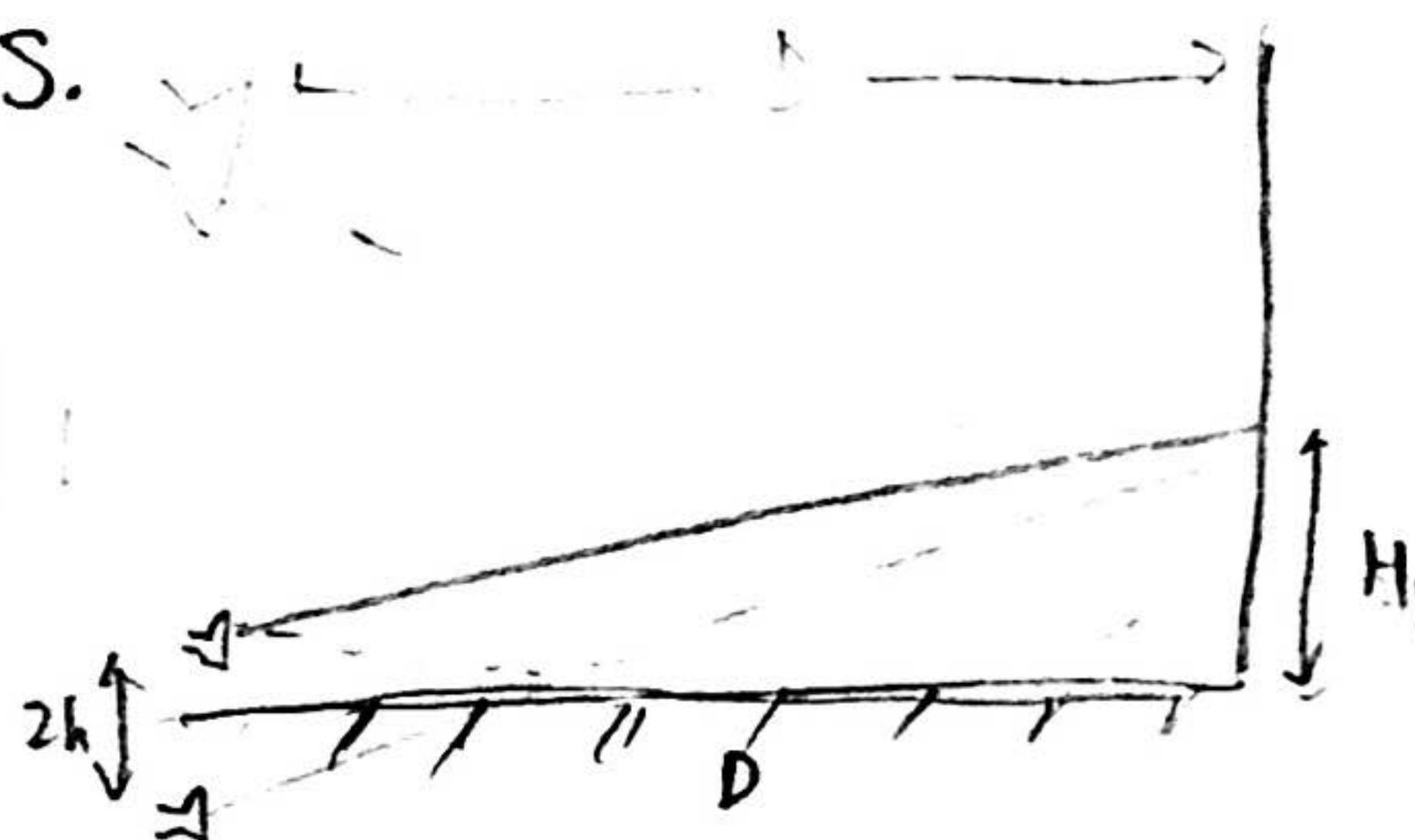
$$\frac{n_1}{u} + \frac{n_2}{v} = \frac{n_2 - n_1}{R}$$

For a plane, take  $R \rightarrow \infty$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n_1}{u} + \frac{n_2}{v} = 0 \Rightarrow u = -\frac{n_1}{n_2} v$$

$$|\dot{u}| = \left| \frac{n_1}{n_2} \dot{v} \right| = \frac{1}{1.33} (0.200) = \boxed{0.150}$$

5.



Note that we can treat the problem as a double slit diffraction problem

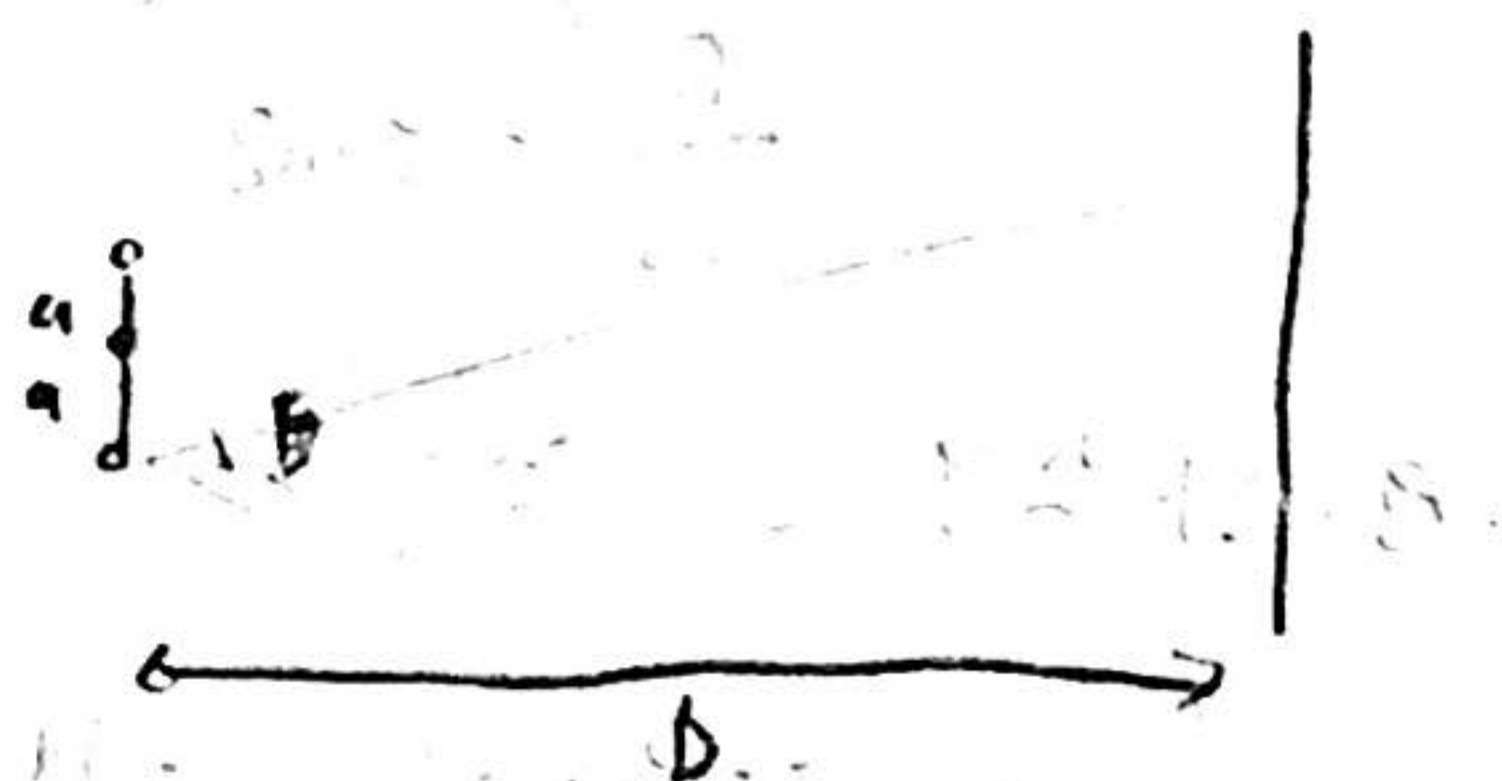
$$2h \sin \theta = n \lambda \text{ for constructive interference.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = \frac{n \lambda}{2h}$$

Since  $h \ll D$ ,  $\sin \theta \approx \tan \theta$ .

$$H = D \tan \theta = \boxed{\frac{D \lambda}{2h}}$$

4.



Phasor diagram

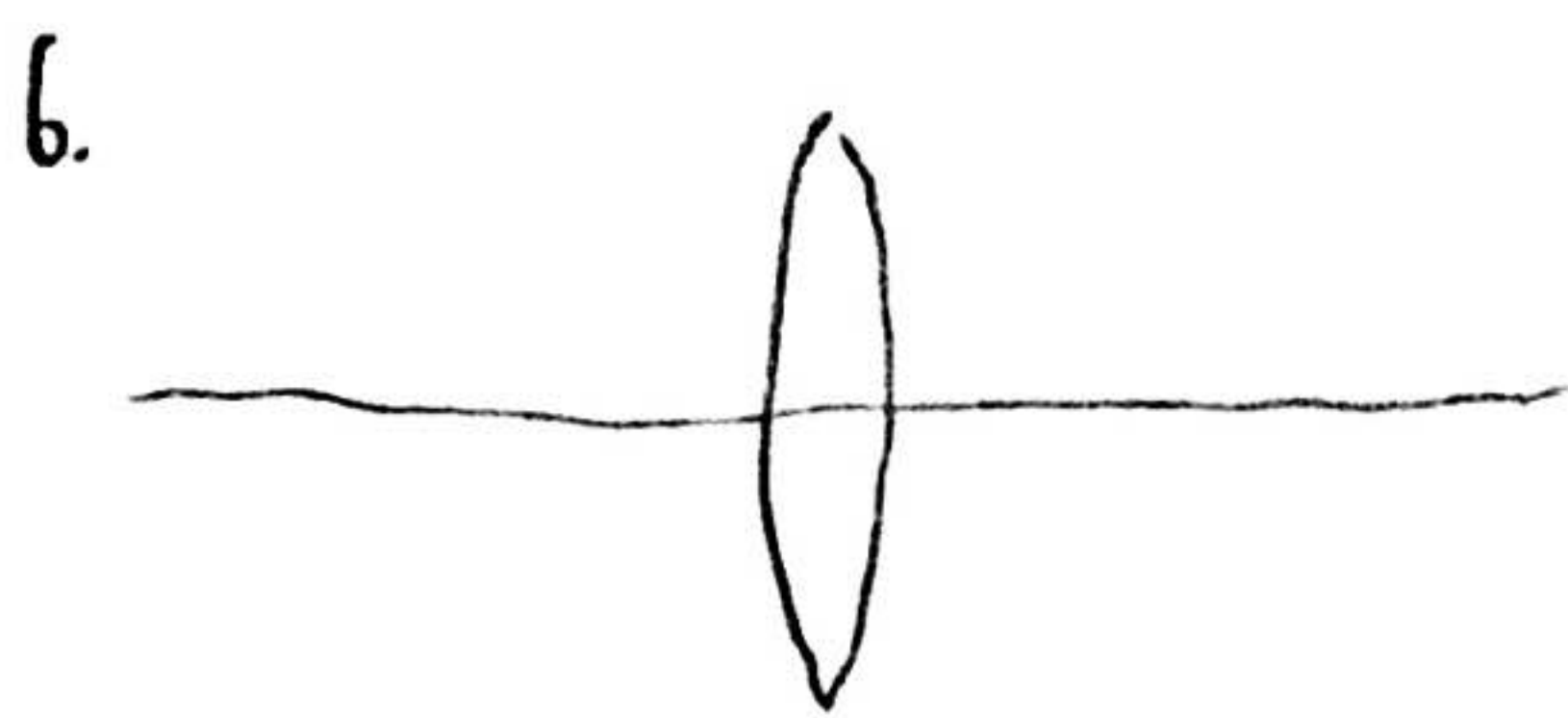


We want the phase difference to be  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a \sin \theta}{\lambda} = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{a \sin \theta = \frac{1}{3} \lambda}$$





let the distance be  $D$ .

$$\frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{D-u} = \frac{1}{f}$$

$$\Rightarrow fD = (D-u)u \Rightarrow u^2 - Du + fD = 0$$

$$u_{1,2} = \frac{D \pm \sqrt{D^2 - 4fD}}{2}$$

let height of object be  $h$ .

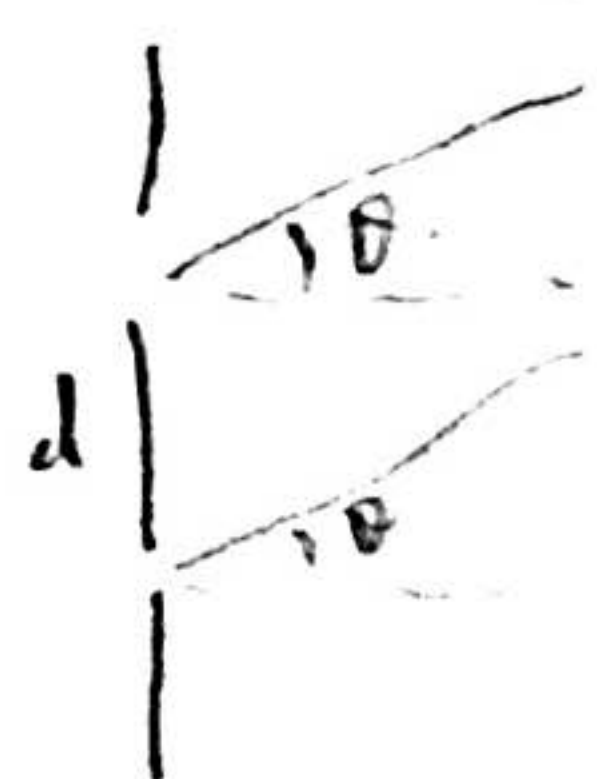
$$\text{height of image 1} = \frac{D-u_1}{u_1} h$$

$$\text{height of image 2} = \frac{D-u_2}{u_2} h$$

$$h_1 h_2 = h^2 \left( \frac{D-u_1}{u_1} \cdot \frac{D-u_2}{u_2} \right) = h^2 \frac{u_2}{u_1} \cdot \frac{u_1}{u_2} = h^2$$

$$\Rightarrow h = \sqrt{h_1 h_2}$$

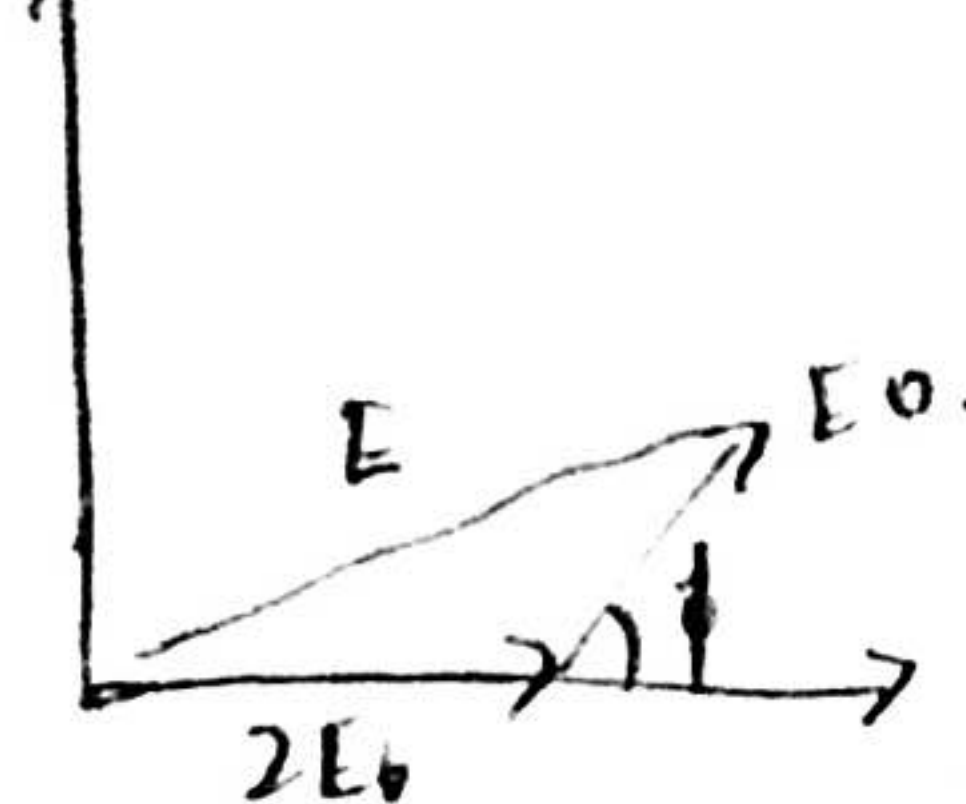
7. Assuming a coherent source,



$$\text{path difference} = d \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Phase difference} = \phi = 2\pi \frac{d \sin \theta}{\lambda}$$

Phasor diagram



By cosine rule,

$$E^2 = (2E_0)^2 + E_0^2 - 2(2E_0)E_0 \cos \phi$$

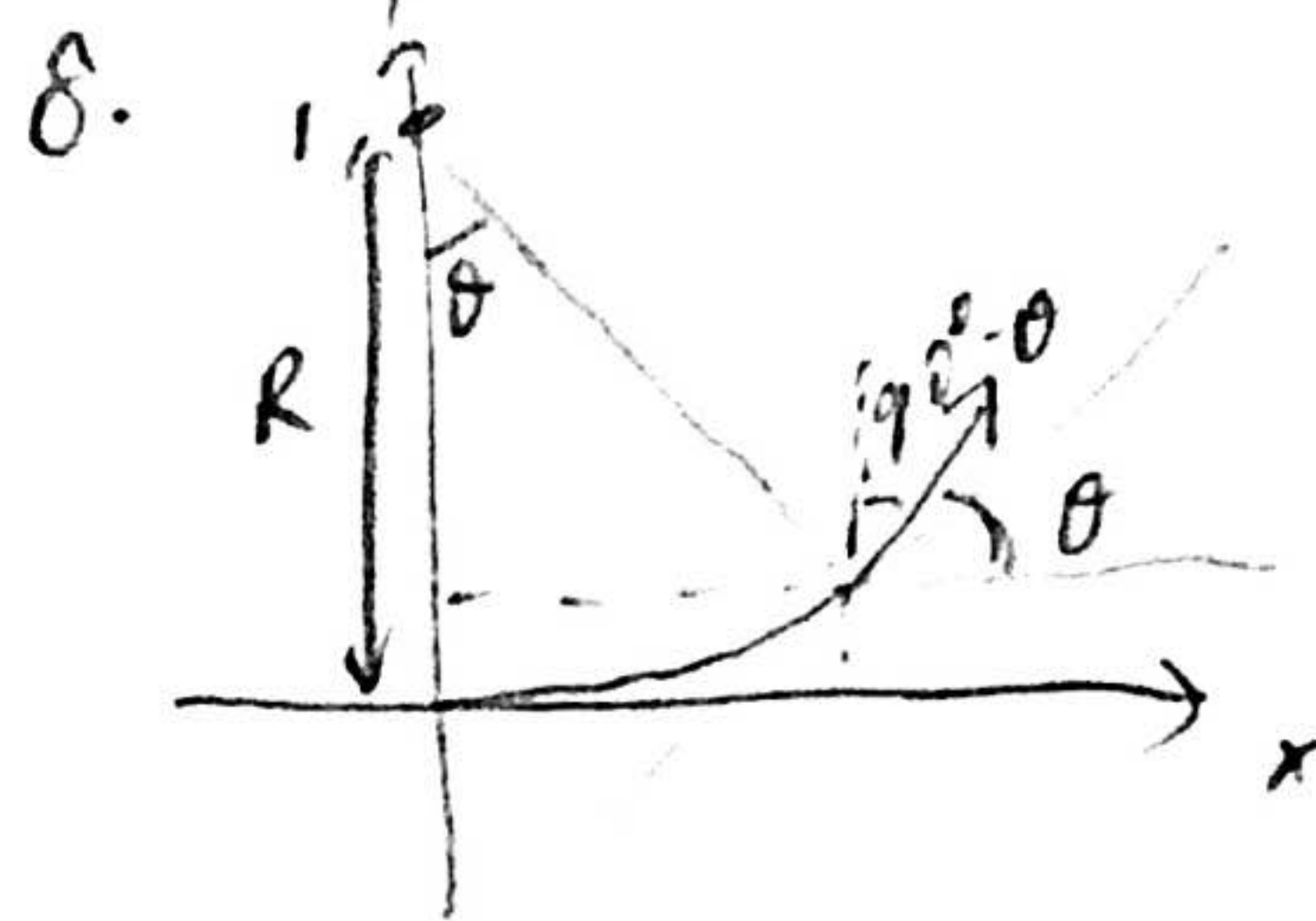
$$= 5E_0^2 + 4E_0^2 \cos \phi$$

$$= (5 + 4 \cos \phi) E_0^2$$

Since  $I \propto E^2$ ,

$$I = \frac{E^2}{(2E_0)^2} I_0 = \frac{I_0}{4} (5 + 4 \cos \phi)$$

$$= \frac{I_0}{4} (1 + 8 \cos^2 \frac{\phi}{2}) = \frac{I_0}{4} (1 + 8 \cos^2 \beta) \quad \text{where } \beta = \frac{\pi d \sin \theta}{\lambda}$$



let the radius of the arc be  $R$

let  $n(y)$  be the refractive index of  $y=0$ .

$$n(0) \sin 90^\circ = n(y) \sin(90^\circ - \theta) = n(y) \cos \theta$$

$$\text{Here } y = R(1 - \cos \theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \cos \theta = \frac{y}{R} \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{R-y}{R}$$

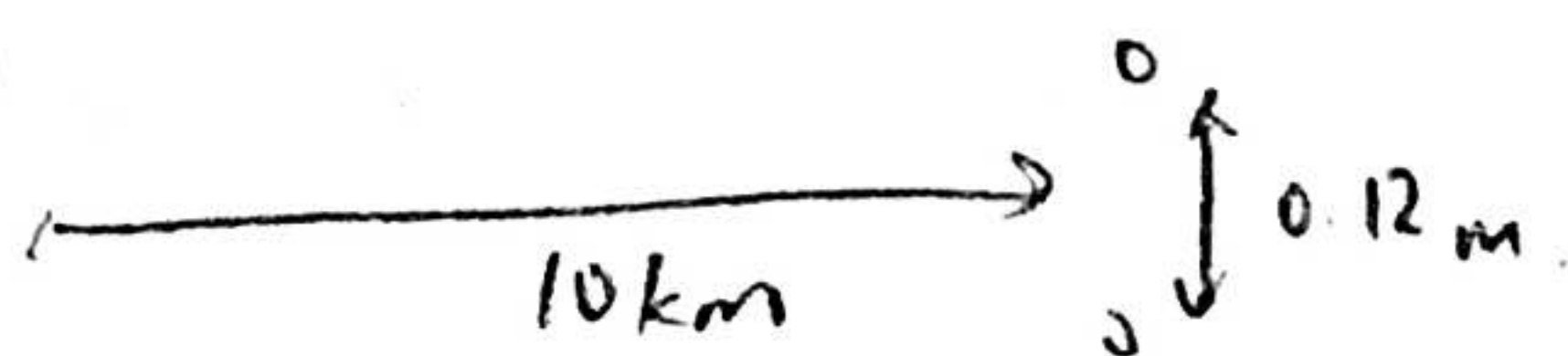
$$\Rightarrow n(y) = n_0 \frac{R}{R-y}$$

Typically, the max  $n$  for a material is

$$2.5 \Rightarrow y_{\max} \approx \frac{3}{5} R$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{angle} \approx 66.4^\circ$$

9.



Rayleigh's criterion:

Two objects are just resolved if  $\sin \theta = 1.22 \frac{\lambda}{d}$

$$\sin \theta \approx \theta = \frac{0.12}{10 \times 10^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow d = \frac{1.22 \lambda}{\sin \theta} \approx \frac{1.22 \lambda}{\theta}$$

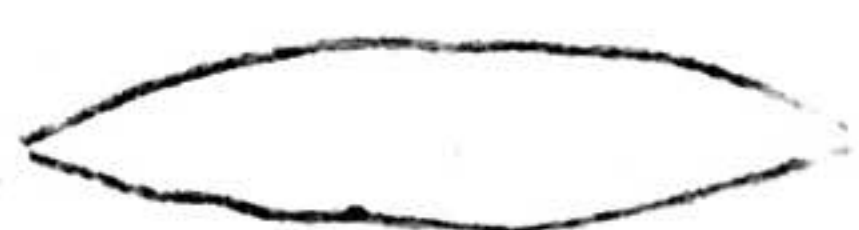
$$= \frac{1.22 (600 \times 10^{-9})}{\frac{0.12}{10 \times 10^3}} =$$







12.



$$\text{Apparent depth} = h + \frac{d}{n} = v$$

$$\frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{f}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{h + \frac{d}{n}} = \frac{1}{f}$$

$$\Rightarrow u = \left( \frac{1}{f} - \frac{1}{h + \frac{d}{n}} \right)^{-1} = \frac{f(h + \frac{d}{n})}{h + \frac{d}{n} - f}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{u = \frac{f(nh + d)}{nh + d - fn}}$$

14. The tension within the string is uniform throughout. (otherwise there will be a non-zero horizontal acceleration)

For wave on the left,

$$y_1(x, t) = A \sin(\omega t - k_1 x) \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{original} \\ \text{wave} \end{array} \right\} \\ + A' \sin(\omega t + k_1 x) \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{reflected} \\ \text{wave} \end{array} \right\}$$

For the wave on the right,

$$y_2(x, t) = A'' \sin(\omega t - k_2 x) \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{transmitted} \\ \text{wave} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\text{Boundary condition) } y_1(0, t) = y_2(0, t)$$

If not equal, it means the string broke.

The gradient should also be equal.

$$\frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x}(0, t) = \frac{\partial y_2}{\partial x}(0, t)$$

$$\Rightarrow A + A' = A'' \quad (\text{Boundary})$$

$$k_1 (A - A') = k_2 A'' \quad (\text{Tension})$$

$$R = \frac{A'}{A} = \frac{k_1 - k_2}{k_1 + k_2}$$

$$T = \frac{A''}{A} = \frac{2k_1}{k_1 + k_2} \Rightarrow \boxed{R + T = 1}$$