

# Waves A & B Worksheet

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## Waves – A

### Single Slit Diffraction (Section D.1)

What is the total separation between the first minima on either side of the central maxima for slit B?

\_\_\_\_\_  $\pm$  \_\_\_\_\_ (units) \_\_\_\_\_

Your estimate of  $\lambda$ :

Slope = \_\_\_\_\_  $\pm$  \_\_\_\_\_ (units)

$\lambda$  = \_\_\_\_\_  $\pm$  \_\_\_\_\_ (units)

### Double Slit Diffraction (Section D.2)

Single slit diffraction features from slits “A”: the total separation in mm between the first **minima** corresponding to single slit diffraction is: \_\_\_\_\_  $\pm$  \_\_\_\_\_ (units)

#### Double-slit interference pattern:

Number  $n$  of bright spots in the central *diffraction* maximum: \_\_\_\_\_

Width  $s$  of central *diffraction* **maximum**: \_\_\_\_\_  $\pm$  \_\_\_\_\_ (units)

Mean separation  $\Delta y$  of *interference* maxima: \_\_\_\_\_  $\pm$  \_\_\_\_\_ (units)

$\lambda$  from your data and Eq. 5 \_\_\_\_\_  $\pm$  \_\_\_\_\_ (units)

### Diffraction Grating (Section D.3)

Measure the positions of the left  $y_-$  and right  $y_+$  maxima in first and second order. Calculate  $\lambda$  using Eq. 3 for each measurement and then combine all four to obtain a mean  $\lambda$ .

$m = 1$ :  $y_+ =$  \_\_\_\_\_  $\pm$  \_\_\_\_\_ (units)  $\lambda =$  \_\_\_\_\_ (units)

$y_- =$  \_\_\_\_\_  $\pm$  \_\_\_\_\_ (units)  $\lambda =$  \_\_\_\_\_ (units)

$m = 2$ :  $y_+ =$  \_\_\_\_\_  $\pm$  \_\_\_\_\_ (units)  $\lambda =$  \_\_\_\_\_ (units)

$y_- =$  \_\_\_\_\_  $\pm$  \_\_\_\_\_ (units)  $\lambda =$  \_\_\_\_\_ (units)

$\lambda_{mean} =$  \_\_\_\_\_ (units)

## Waves – B

### Polarization by Transmission (Section C.3 & C.4)

Attach your *Origin* plot and least-squares fit of the intensity  $I$  vs. angle  $\theta$ .

List here your fitted parameters:  $A = \text{_____} \pm \text{_____}$  (units)

$I_o = \text{_____} \pm \text{_____}$  (units)

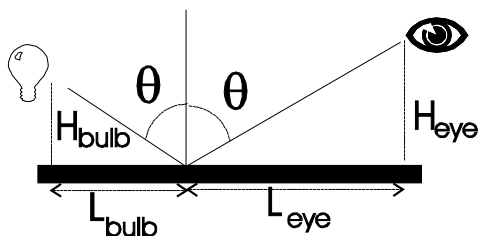
$\phi = \text{_____} \pm \text{_____}$  (units)

### Polarization by Reflection (Section D.2 & D.3)

$H_{\text{eye}} = \text{_____} \pm \text{_____}$  (units)  $L_{\text{eye}} = \text{_____} \pm \text{_____}$  (units)  $\tan \theta_{\text{eye}} = \text{_____} \pm \text{_____}$

$H_{\text{bulb}} = \text{_____} \pm \text{_____}$  (units)  $L_{\text{bulb}} = \text{_____} \pm \text{_____}$  (units)  $\tan \theta_{\text{bulb}} = \text{_____} \pm \text{_____}$

Index of refraction: \_\_\_\_\_



### Michelson Interferometer (Section E.2 & E.3)

Each lab partner must count her or his own  $N = 50$  or so fringes.

Number of fringes,  $N = \text{_____} \pm \text{_____}$

Micrometer Reading,  $\Delta d = \text{_____} \pm \text{_____}$  (units)

$\lambda = \text{_____} \pm \text{_____}$  (units)

**GRADE:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(out of 30 points)

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