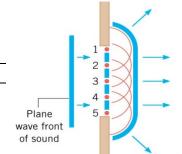
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Wave Character of Light

- When _____ interacts with object several _____ it's _____, it acts like a
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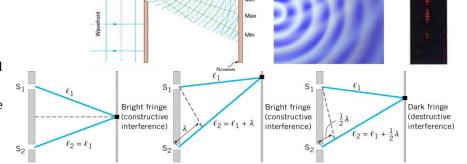
Huygens' Principle

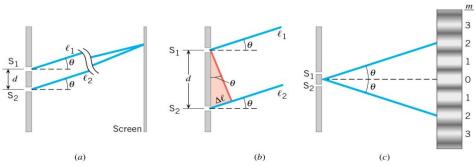
• Every point on a ______ front acts as a _____ of tiny _____ that move forward with the same _____ as the _____; the wave ____ at a later instant is the _____ that is _____ to the wavelets.



Young's Double Slit Experiment

- Thomas Young showed that two overlapping _____ waves _____ and was able to calculate ____.
- Bright fringe where $\ell_1 \ell_2 = m\lambda$
- Dark fringe where $\ell_1 \ell_2 = \left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right)\lambda$
- Brightness of fringes _______
 - o Center fringe the _____ and on either side
- (a) Rays from slits S₁ and S₂, which make approximately the same _____ θ
 with the horizontal, strike a distant _____ at the _____ spot.
- (b) The difference in the _____ rays is $\Delta \ell = d \sin \theta$.
- (c) The angle θ is the angle at which a _____ fringe (m = 2, here) occurs on either side of the ____ bright fringe (m = 0)
- _____ fringe: $\sin \theta = m \frac{\lambda}{d}$
- fringe: $\sin \theta = \left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right) \frac{\lambda}{d}$





A laser beam (λ = 630 nm) goes through a double slit with separation of 3 μ m. If the interference pattern is projected on a screen 5 m away, what is the distance between the third order bright fringe and the central bright fringe?

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Practice Work

- 1. What type of experimental evidence indicates that light is a wave?
- 2. Does Huygens's principle apply to all types of waves?
- 3. Young's double slit experiment breaks a single light beam into two sources. Would the same pattern be obtained for two independent sources of light, such as the headlights of a distant car? Explain.
- 4. At what angle is the first-order maximum for 450-nm wavelength blue light falling on double slits separated by 0.0500 mm? (OpenStax 27.6) **0.516**°
- 5. Calculate the angle for the third-order maximum of 580-nm wavelength yellow light falling on double slits separated by 0.100 mm. (OpenStax 27.7) **0.997**°
- 6. What is the separation between two slits for which 610-nm orange light has its first maximum at an angle of 30.0°? (OpenStax 27.8) 1.22×10^{-6} m
- 7. Find the distance between two slits that produces the first minimum for 410-nm violet light at an angle of 45.0°. (OpenStax 27.9) $0.290 \mu m$
- 8. Calculate the wavelength of light that has its third minimum at an angle of 30.0° when falling on double slits separated by 3.00 µm. (OpenStax 27.10) **600 nm**
- 9. What is the wavelength of light falling on double slits separated by 2.00 µm if the third-order maximum is at an angle of 60.0°? (OpenStax 27.11) **577 nm**
- 10. 680 nm light is projected onto two slits separated by 0.0200 mm. What is the distance between the central bright fringe and the second order bright fringe if the screen is 20.0 cm from the slit? (RW) **1.36 cm**
- 11. How far is the screen from a $10.0 \, \mu m$ double slit if the third-order maximum is $3.0 \, cm$ from central bright fringe when illuminated by $540 \, nm$ wavelength light? (RW) **18.3 cm**