

Quiz 5

1) A general condition that two waves undergo constructive interference is that

- a) their phase difference is zero.
- b) their phase difference is $\pi/2$ rad.
- c) their phase difference is $\pm\pi/2$ rad.
- d) their phase difference is an even integral multiple of π rad.
- e) their phase difference is an odd integral multiple of π rad.

Ans: d

2) Two coherent waves, each with intensity I_0 , reach the same point in phase. The amplitude of the superposed wave is _____.

- a) 0
- b) I_0
- c) $2 I_0$
- d) $3 I_0$
- e) $4 I_0$

Ans: e

3) In a Young's double slit experiment, a 5th order maximum occurs at an angle of 1.422° . If the screen is 3.90 m from the slits and the slit separation is 0.135 mm, what wavelength is being used?

- a) 3350 nm
- b) 670 nm
- c) 335 nm
- d) 589 nm
- e) 690 nm

Ans: b

4) A double -slit experiment is performed and then redone using slits of double the previous separation. Nothing else is changed. If the approximation $\sin \theta \approx \theta$ holds, what happens to the angle between the maxima?

- a) It stays the same.
- b) It doubles.
- c) It quadruples.
- d) It halves.
- e) It quarters.

Ans: d

5) A single slit of width 0.030 mm is used to project a diffraction pattern of 500-nm light on a screen at a distance of 2.00 m from the slit. What angle does the central maximum subtend as measured from the slit?

- a) 1.91°
- b) 3.82°
- c) 0.945°
- d) 1.50°
- e) 3.00°

Ans: a

6) In a double -slit interference pattern, the third maximum from the central maximum corresponds to which value of m?

- a) 1

- b) 2
- c) 3
- d) 4
- e) 5

Ans: c

5) Increasing the wavelengths in a double-slit experiment has what effect on the position of maxima on a screen at fixed distance?

- a) none
- b) Maxima get closer together.
- c) Maxima get farther apart.
- d) Maxima get cancelled by minima.
- e) Maxima pass minima on the screen.

Ans: c