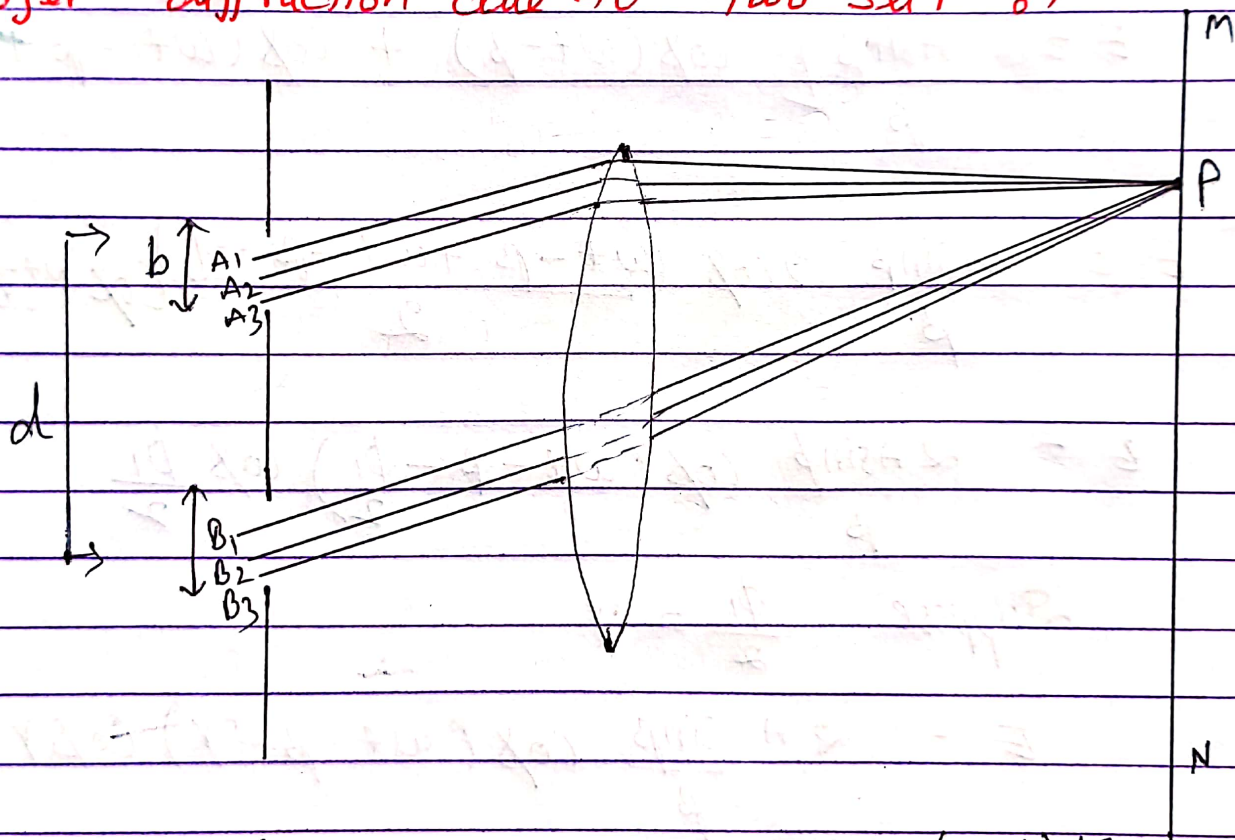


Fraunhofer diffraction due to two slit $\rightarrow$



we know that $E = E_0 \cos \left[\omega t - \frac{(n-1)\phi}{2} \right]$ — (1)

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The electric field produced due to first slit

$$E_1 = \frac{A \sin \beta}{\beta} \cos(\omega t - \beta) \quad \text{--- (11)}$$

Similarly the field produced by 2nd slit

$$E_2 = \frac{A \sin \beta}{\beta} \cos(\omega t - \beta - \phi_1) \quad \text{--- (11)}$$

where $\phi_1 = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} d \sin \theta$ is the phase

difference between the disturbance from two corresponding points $(A_1, B_1), (A_2, B_2), (A_3, B_3)$.

where the points A_1, B_1 are separated by a distance d .

Now the resultant field due to two slit

$$E = E_1 + E_2$$

$$E = \frac{A \sin \beta}{\beta} \cos(\omega t - \beta) + \frac{A \sin \beta}{\beta} \cos(\omega t - \beta - \phi_1)$$

$$E = \frac{A \sin \beta}{\beta} [\cos(\omega t - \beta) + \cos(\omega t - \beta - \phi_1)]$$

$$E = \frac{A \sin \beta}{\beta} \frac{2 \cos(\omega t - \beta + \omega t - \beta - \phi_1)}{2} \cos(\omega t - \beta - \phi_1)$$

$$E = \frac{2 A \sin \beta}{\beta} \cos(\omega t - \beta - \frac{\phi_1}{2}) \cos \frac{\phi_1}{2}$$

$$\text{Suppose } \frac{\phi_1}{2} = \gamma$$

$$E = \frac{2 A \sin \beta}{\beta} \cos(\omega t - \beta - \gamma) \cos \gamma$$

$$E = \frac{2 A \sin \beta}{\beta} \cos \gamma \cos(\omega t - \beta - \gamma) \quad \text{--- (14)}$$

$$\text{Intensity } I = (\text{Amplitude})^2$$

$$I = \left(2A \frac{\sin \beta}{\beta} \cos \gamma \right)^2$$

$$I = 4A^2 \frac{\sin^2 \beta}{\beta^2} \cos^2 \gamma$$

$$I = 4I_0 \frac{\sin^2 \beta}{\beta^2} \cos^2 \gamma \quad (I_0 = A^2)$$

intensity is the product of two terms

(i) $\frac{\sin^2 \beta}{\beta^2}$ this is the diffraction due to single slit

(ii) $\cos^2 \gamma$ this is the interference pattern produced due to two point sources.

minima: $I = 4I_0 \frac{\sin^2 \beta}{\beta^2} \cos^2 \gamma$

Intensity will be minimum if

$$\beta = \pi, 2\pi, 3\pi, \dots$$

$$\text{or } \gamma = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}, \frac{5\pi}{2}, \dots$$

$$\beta = m\pi, \quad m = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\frac{\pi}{\lambda} b \sin \theta = m\pi \quad (\because \beta = \frac{\pi b \sin \theta}{\lambda})$$

$$b \sin \theta = m\lambda$$

$$\gamma = \frac{\phi}{2} = \frac{\pi d \sin \theta}{\lambda} \quad (\because \phi = \frac{2\pi b \sin \theta}{\lambda})$$

$$\frac{\pi d \sin \theta}{\lambda} = \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \pi$$

$$d \sin \theta = \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \lambda$$

maxima $\Rightarrow$

$$\gamma = 0, \pi, 2\pi, \dots$$

$$d \sin \theta = m \lambda$$

