

Name of the Student: _____

Max. Marks : 22 Marks

Time : 22 Minutes

Mark Schemes

Q1

Question Number	Acceptable Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
(i)	- set up diffraction grating at right angles to light from laser (1) - Or set up grating parallel to screen (1) - measure the distance between the diffraction grating and the screen (1) - measure the distance between 1st order images on the screen (1)	An annotated diagram could score these marks MP3 accept between other correct specified orders.	3
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(ii)	- use of $d \sin \theta = n\lambda$ (1) - Calculation of one of the diffraction angles (for any n) (1) - Attempt to calculate a difference in the angles (1) - Or statement that the two angles are very similar - So (accurate) measurement would be very difficult (1) - Or the difference in wavelength could not be determined with this grating	MP4 dependent on MP3 <u>Example of calculation:</u> $\sin \theta_1 = \frac{656.2 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}}{2.2 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}}$ $\therefore \theta_1 = 17.354^\circ$ $\sin \theta_2 = \frac{656.0 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}}{2.2 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}}$ $\therefore \theta_2 = 17.348^\circ$ $\therefore \Delta \theta = 17.354^\circ - 17.348^\circ = 0.006^\circ$	4

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(a)	An explanation that makes reference to: - waves/light passing through a narrow gap spread/s out (1) - light reaches the wall from each part of the slit with differing phase relationships (1) OR light reaches the wall from each part of the slit with differing path lengths (1) - when the waves meet superposition takes place and if the waves are in antiphase it results in destructive interference so a dark spot is seen (1) OR when the waves meet superposition takes place and if the waves are in phase it results in constructive interference so a bright(er) region is seen (1)	Accept relevant reference to Huygen's construction for first mark.	3
(b)	An explanation that makes reference to: - green light has a shorter wavelength than red light (1) OR red light has a longer wavelength than green light (1) - so green light diffracts less than red light or red light diffracts more than green light (1) - so the dark points would be closer to the centre or more dark points would be seen in the same space on the wall or central fringe narrower (1)	Accept a diagram clearly to the same scale and showing a narrowed pattern. MP2 and MP3 may be awarded if reference is made to frequency difference rather than wavelength.	3
(c)	- use of trigonometrical functions to calculate θ (1) - calculate diffraction grating spacing (1) - wavelength = 5.1×10^{-7} m (1)	Example of calculation: $\theta = \tan^{-1} (0.23 \text{ m} / 1.5 \text{ m}) = 8.7^\circ$ $d = 10^{-3} / 300 = 3.3 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}$ $\lambda = 3.3 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m} \times \sin 8.7^\circ = 5.1 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$	3

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(i)	Any one • Monochromatic or small range of wavelength / frequencies • Coherent • Little divergence of wave over a distance • Produces plane wavefronts		1
(ii)	• $d = 0.005 \text{ mm}$ or use of d (1) • $= \frac{1}{200 \text{ mm}^{-1}}$ (1) • Use of $\tan$ to find θ (1) • Use of $n\lambda = d \sin \theta$ with $n = 3$ (1) • $\lambda = 5.4 \times 10^{-7} \text{ (m)}$ • Concludes that the laser light is green - Or (1) - conclusion consistent with their value of λ	<u>Example of Calculation</u> $d = \frac{1}{200 \text{ mm}^{-1}} = 0.005 \text{ mm}$ $\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1.02 \text{ m}}{3.0 \text{ m}} \right) = 18.8^\circ$ $\lambda = \frac{(5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}) \times \sin 18.8^\circ}{3} = 5.37 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$ so light is green	5