

- M1.(a)** uniform width peaks ✓ (accurate to within ± one division)  
*peaks need to be rounded ie not triangular*  
*the minima do not need to be exactly zero*

a collection of peaks of constant amplitude or amplitude decreasing away from central peak ✓

*pattern must look symmetrical by eye*  
*condone errors towards the edge of the pattern*  
*double width centre peak total mark = 0*

2

- (b) (i) constant / fixed / same phase relationship / difference (and same frequency / wavelength) ✓  
*in phase is not enough for the mark*

1

- (ii) single slit acts as a point / single source diffracting / spreading light to both slits ✓  
 OR  
 the path lengths between the single slit and the double slits are constant / the same / fixed ✓

1

- (iii) superposition of waves from two slits ✓  
*phrase 'constructive superposition' = 2 marks*

diffracted (patterns) from both slits overlap (and interfere constructively) ✓ (this mark may come from a diagram)

constructive interference / reinforcement (at bright fringe)  
 peaks meet peaks / troughs meet troughs ✓ (any reference to antinode will lose this mark)

waves from each slit meet in phase  
 OR path difference =  $n\lambda$  ✓

4 max 3

(c) (i)  $D = \frac{ws}{\lambda} = \frac{0.004 \times 5.0 \cdot 10^{-5}}{405 \times 10^{-9}}$  ✓ do not penalise any incorrect powers

**of ten for this mark**

= 0.5 (m) ✓ (0.4938 m)

*numbers can be substituted into the equation using any form*

*note 0.50 m is wrong because of a rounding error*

*full marks available for answer only*

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(ii) fringes further apart or fringe / pattern has a greater width / is wider ✓

*ignore any incorrect reasoning*

*changes to green is not enough for mark*

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(iii) increase  $D$  ✓

measure across more than 2 maxima ✓

*several / few implies more than two*

added detail which includes ✓

explaining that when  $D$  is increased then  $w$  increases

Or

repeat the reading with a changed distance  $D$  or using different numbers of fringes or measuring across different pairs of (adjacent) fringes

Or

explaining how either of the first two points improves / reduces the percentage error.

*no mark for darkened room*

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**M2.(a)** 2.9% ✓

*Allow 3%*

1

(b)  $\frac{1}{2.5 \times 10^3}$  seen ✓

1

0.29 mm or  $2.9 \times 10^{-4}$  m ✓ must see 2 sf **only**

1

(c)  $\pm 0.01$  mm ✓

1

- (d) Clear indication that at least 10 spaces have been measured to give a spacing = 5.24 mm ✓

*spacing from at least 10 spaces  
Allow answer within range  $\pm 0.05$*

1

- (e) Substitution in  $d \sin \theta = n \lambda$  ✓

*The 25 spaces could appear here as  $n$  with  $\sin \theta$  as  $0.135 / 2.5$*

1

$d = 0.300 \times 10^{-3}$  m so

number of lines =  $3.34 \times 10^3$  ✓

*Condone error in powers of 10 in substitution  
Allow ecf from 1-4 value of spacing*

1

- (f) Calculates % difference (4.6%) ✓

1

**and** makes judgement concerning agreement ✓

*Allow ecf from 1-5 value*

1

- (g) care not to look directly into the laser beam ✓

**OR**

care to avoid possibility of reflected laser beam ✓

**OR**

warning signs that laser is in use outside the laboratory ✓

**ANY ONE**

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**M3.C**

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M4.(a) Suitable experiment eg diffraction through a door / out of a pipe ✓ 1

(b) Using  $c = d / t$   
 $t = 2\,500 / 480 = 5.2 \text{ s}$  ✓ 1

(c) (Measured time is difference between time taken by light and time taken by sound)  
Calculation assumes that light takes no time to reach observer, ie speed is infinite ✓  
*Do not allow "could not know speed of light"* 1

(d) Sound from gun is a mixture of frequencies. ✓  
*Alternative for 1<sup>st</sup> mark 'so speed is independent of frequency) the sound of the gun is similar when close and far away'* 1

All the sound reaches observer at the same time, ✓ 1

(e) More accurate, as it is closer to the accepted value. ✓ 1

(f) When  $\theta = 0^\circ\text{C}$   $c = 331.29 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  1

Therefore

$$331.29 = k \sqrt{273.15} \quad \checkmark$$

$$k = 20.045 \quad \checkmark$$

1

(g) The method and value are published ✓

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other scientists repeat the experiment using the same method ✓

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**M5.D**

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**M6.A**

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**M7.(a)** one of:  
(spectral) analysis of light from stars  
(analyse) composition of stars  
chemical analysis  
measuring red shift \ rotation of stars ✓

insufficient answers:

'observe spectra', 'spectroscopy', 'view absorption \ emission spectrum',  
'compare spectra', 'look at light from stars'.

*Allow : measuring wavelength or frequency from a named source of light*

*Allow any other legitimate application that specifies the source of light. E.g.*

*absorption \ emission spectra in stars,  
'observe spectra of materials'*

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(b) (i) first order beam  
first order spectrum  
first order image

✓

*Allow 'n = 1', '1', 'one', 1<sup>st</sup>*

1

- (ii) the light at A will appear white (and at B there will be a spectrum)  
OR greater intensity at A ✓

1

- (c) ( $d = 1 / (\text{lines per mm} \times 10^3)$ )  
 $= 6.757 \times 10^{-7}$  (m) OR  $6.757 \times 10^{-4}$  (mm) ✓

$$(n\lambda = d \sin \theta)$$

$$= 6.757 \times 10^{-7} \times \sin 51.0 \quad \checkmark \text{ ecf } \mathbf{only} \text{ for :}$$

- incorrect power of ten in otherwise correct calculation of d
- use of  $d = 1480, 1.48, 14.8$  (etc)
- from incorrect order in bii

$$= 5.25 \times 10^{-7} \text{ (m)} \quad \checkmark \text{ ecf } \mathbf{only} \text{ for :}$$

- incorrect power of ten in otherwise correct d
- from incorrect order in bii

*Some working required for full marks. Correct answer only gets 2*

*Power of 10 error in d gets max 2*

*For use of d in mm, answer =*

$$5.25 \times 10^{-4} \text{ gets max 2}$$

*$n = 2$  gets max 2 unless ecf from bii*

*use of  $d = 1480$  yields wavelength of 1150m*

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- (d)  $n = d (\sin 90) / \lambda$  OR  $n = 6.757 \times 10^{-7} / 5.25 \times 10^{-7} \quad \checkmark$  ecf both numbers from c

$= 1.29$  so no more beams observed ✓ or answer consistent with their working

**OR**

$2 = d (\sin \theta) / \lambda$  OR  $\sin \theta = 2 \times 5.25 \times 10^{-7} / 6.757 \times 10^{-7} \quad \checkmark$  ecf both numbers from c

$\sin \theta = 1.55$  (so not possible to calculate angle) so no more beams ✓

**OR**  $\sin^{-1}(2 \times (\text{their } \lambda / \text{their } d)) \quad \checkmark$

(not possible to calculate) so no more beams ✓ ecf

*Accept 1.28, 1.3*

*Second line gets both marks*

*Conclusion consistent with working*

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