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**FACULTY OF SCIENCES**

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**APRIL/MAY, 2019 EXAMINATIONS**

**COURSE CODE: PHY 306**

**COURSE TITLE: OPTICS II**

**CREDIT UNIT 2**

**TIME ALLOWED (2 HRS)**

**INSTRUCTION: *Answer question 1 and any other three questions***

**QUESTION 1**

a. Explain the following: (i) Constructive interference. **(3 marks)**

(ii) Destructive interference. **(3 marks)**

b. Monochromatic light passes through two narrow slits 0.40 mm apart.

The third-order bright fringe of the interference pattern, observed on a

screen 1.0 meter from the slits, is 3.6 mm from the centre of the central

maximum. What is the wavelength of the light? **(4.5 marks)**

c. (i) State two uses of interference phenomenon. **(6 marks)**

(ii) State three principal types of measurement that can be made with **(4.5 marks)**

Michelson interferometer:

d. Consider a slit of width *b =* 10*λ,* 5*λ,* and *λ.* Calculate the spread of

the central maximum. **(4 marks)**

**QUESTION 2**

a. State the difference between the Bi-prism and Lloyd's Mirror Fringes. **(5 marks)**

b. How many Fresnel zones will be obstructed by a sphere of radius 1 mm

if the screen is 20cm away? Take = 5000 Å. **(5 marks)**

c. If the distance of the screen is increased to 200 cm, what will be the

size of the sphere which will cut off 10 zones? **(5 marks)**

**QUESTION 3**

a.(i) State Stoke’s principle of reversibility of light. **(3 marks)**

(ii) Distinguish between Young double slit experiment and Michelson Interferometer.**(5 marks)**

b. If in a Newton's ring experiment, the air in the interspaces is replaced

by a liquid of refractive index 1.33, in what proportion would the diameters

of the ring change? **(7 marks)**

**QUESTION 4**

a) Show that the de Broglie wavelength λ



( **(7.5 marks)**

b) A helium-neon laser emits a diffraction-limited beam (λ= 6300 Å) of

diameter 2 mm. What diameter of light patch would the beam produce on

the surface of the moon at a distance of 376×103 km from the earth? You may

neglect scattering in the earth's atmosphere. **(7.5 marks)**

**QUESTION 5**

a.(i) Define Simple harmonic motion. **(3 marks)**

(ii) State the principle of superposition **(3 marks)**

b. A particle is executing simple harmonic motion, with a period of 3s

and amplitude of 6 cm. One-half second after the particle has passed

through its equilibrium position, what is its: (i) displacement? **(3 marks)**

(ii) velocity? **(3 marks)**

(iii) acceleration? **(3 marks)**