36-6. (a) In combination with the small angle approximation (sin $\theta \approx \tan \theta \approx \theta$), we use Eq. 36-3 to calculate the separation between the first $(m_1 = 1)$ and fifth $(m_2 = 5)$ minima:

$$
\Delta y = D\Delta \tan \theta \approx D\Delta \sin \theta = D\Delta \left(\frac{m\lambda}{a}\right) = \frac{D\lambda}{a}\Delta m = \frac{D\lambda}{a}(m_2 - m_1) .
$$

Solving for the slit width, we obtain

$$
a = \frac{D\lambda(m_2 - m_1)}{\Delta y} = \frac{(400 \text{ mm})(550 \times 10^{-6} \text{ mm})(5 - 1)}{0.35 \text{ mm}} = 2.5143 \text{ mm}.
$$

Without the small angle approximation (i.e., using $\tan \theta = \sin \theta / \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta}$), we have:

$$
\Delta y = D \left(\frac{m_2 \lambda/a}{\sqrt{1 - (m_2 \lambda/a)^2}} - \frac{m_1 \lambda/a}{\sqrt{1 - (m_1 \lambda/a)^2}} \right)
$$

or

$$
\frac{\Delta y}{D} = \left(\frac{m_2}{\sqrt{\alpha^2 - m_2^2}} - \frac{m_1}{\sqrt{\alpha^2 - m_1^2}}\right)
$$

where $\alpha = a/\lambda$. Using *Mathematica*:

FindRoot[.35/400==5/Sqrt[alf^2-5^5]-1/Sqrt[alf^2-1^2],{alf,4545}] Out[1]= {alf -> 4571.86}

So $a = 4571.86 \times \lambda = 2.5145$ mm, i.e., much the same result.

(b) For
$$
m = 1
$$
,

$$
\sin \theta = \frac{m\lambda}{a} = \frac{(1)(.550 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mm})}{2.51 \text{ mm}} = 2.19 \times 10^{-4} .
$$

The angle is $\theta = \sin^{-1}(2.19 \times 10^{-4}) = 2.19 \times 10^{-4}$ rad.

36-18. (a) We use Eq. 36-14:

$$
\theta_R = 1.22 \frac{\lambda}{d} = \frac{(1.22)(540 \times 10^{-6} \text{ mm})}{5.0 \text{ mm}} = 1.32 \times 10^{-4} \text{ rad}.
$$

(b) The linear separation is $D = L\theta_R = (400 \times 10^3 \,\text{m})(1.32 \times 10^{-4} \,\text{rad}) = 52.7 \,\text{m}$.

36-35. (a) The first minimum of the diffraction pattern is at 5.00° , so

$$
a = \frac{\lambda}{\sin \theta} = \frac{0.440 \,\mu\text{m}}{\sin 5.00^{\circ}} = 5.05 \,\mu\text{m} \; .
$$

- (b) Since the fourth bright fringe is missing, $d = 4a = 4(5.05 \,\mu\text{m}) = 20.2 \,\mu\text{m}$.
- (c) For the $m = 1$ bright fringe,

$$
\alpha = \frac{\pi a \sin \theta}{\lambda} = \frac{\pi (5.05 \,\mu\text{m}) \sin 1.25^{\circ}}{0.440 \,\mu\text{m}} = 0.787 \text{ rad}.
$$

Consequently, the intensity of the $m = 1$ fringe is

$$
I = I_m \left(\frac{\sin \alpha}{\alpha}\right)^2 = (7.0 \,\text{mW/cm}^2) \left(\frac{\sin 0.787 \,\text{rad}}{0.787}\right)^2 = 5.70 \,\text{mW/cm}^2 \,,
$$

which agrees with Fig. 36-43. Similarly for $m = 2$, the intensity is $I = 2.9 \text{ mW/cm}^2$, also in agreement with Fig. 36-43.

36-102. We use Eq. 36-14:

$$
\theta_{\rm R} = 1.22 \frac{\lambda}{d} = \frac{D}{L}.
$$

Solve for d given: $\lambda = 500 \times 10^{-9}$ m, $d = 5 \times 10^{-3}$ m, and $L = .25$ m. The result is: $D = 30.5 \mu$ m.

36-43. The angular positions of the first-order diffraction lines are given by $d \sin \theta = \lambda$. Let λ_1 be the shorter wavelength (430 nm) and θ be the angular position of the line associated with it. Let λ_2 be the longer wavelength (680 nm), and let $\theta + \Delta\theta$ be the angular position of the line associated with it. Here $\Delta\theta = 20^{\circ}$. Then, $d \sin \theta = \lambda_1$ and $d \sin(\theta + \Delta\theta) = \lambda_2$. We write $\sin(\theta + \Delta\theta)$ as $\sin \theta \cos \Delta\theta + \cos \theta \sin \Delta\theta$, then use the equation for the first line to replace $\sin \theta$ with λ_1/d , and $\cos \theta$ with $\sqrt{1 - \lambda_1^2/d^2}$. After multiplying by d , we obtain

$$
\lambda_1 \cos \Delta \theta + \sqrt{d^2 - \lambda_1^2} \sin \Delta \theta = \lambda_2.
$$

Solving for d , we find

$$
d = \sqrt{\frac{(\lambda_2 - \lambda_1 \cos \Delta \theta)^2 + (\lambda_1 \sin \Delta \theta)^2}{\sin^2 \Delta \theta}}
$$

=
$$
\sqrt{\frac{[(680 \text{ nm}) - (430 \text{ nm}) \cos 20^\circ]^2 + [(430 \text{ nm}) \sin 20^\circ]^2}{\sin^2 20^\circ}}
$$

= 914 nm = .914 μ m.

There are $1/d = 1/(.914 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mm}) = 1090 \text{ rulings per mm}$. With *Mathematica*: Solve[{.43==d Sin[t],.68==d Sin[t+Pi/9]},{t,d}]

Out[1]= ${d \rightarrow -0.91421, t \rightarrow -2.6519}, {d \rightarrow 0.91421, t \rightarrow 0.489689}$

36-52. (a) We find $\Delta\lambda$ from $R = \lambda/\Delta\lambda = Nm$:

$$
\Delta\lambda = \frac{\lambda}{Nm} = \frac{500 \,\text{nm}}{(600/\text{mm})(5.0 \,\text{mm})(3)} = 0.056 \,\text{nm} = 56 \,\text{pm} \ .
$$

(b) Since $\sin \theta = m_{\text{max}} \lambda / d < 1$,

$$
m_{\rm max} < \frac{d}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{(600/\rm{mm})(500 \times 10^{-6}\,\rm{mm})} = 3.3 \ .
$$

Therefore, $m_{\text{max}} = 3$. No higher orders of maxima can be seen.

36-57. We use Eq. 36-34. From the peak on the left at angle 0.75◦ (estimated from Fig. 36-44), we have

$$
\lambda_1 = 2d \sin \theta_1 = 2(0.94 \text{ nm}) \sin(0.75^\circ) = 0.025 \text{ nm} = 25 \text{ pm}.
$$

This estimation should be viewed as reliable to within ± 2 pm. We now consider the next peak:

$$
\lambda_2 = 2d \sin \theta_2 = 2(0.94 \text{ nm}) \sin 1.15^\circ = 0.038 \text{ nm} = 38 \text{ pm}.
$$

One can check that the third (fourth) peak from the left is the second-order one for λ_1 (λ_2).

grating.txt:

Looking at grating A1.pdf I find the $m = +4$ maximum at $y = 2.8$ m.

$$
\lambda = \frac{d \sin \theta}{m} = \frac{dy}{m\sqrt{D^2 + y^2}} = \frac{4.5 \times 10^{-6} \cdot 2.8}{4\sqrt{4^2 + 2.8^2}} = 0.645 \,\mu\text{m}
$$

It appears to me that there is a diffraction zero at $y = 2$ m, so

$$
a = \frac{\lambda}{\sin \theta} = \frac{\lambda \sqrt{D^2 + y^2}}{y} = \frac{.645 \times 10^{-6} \cdot \sqrt{4^2 + 2^2}}{2} = 1.44 \,\mu\text{m}
$$

Looking at grating A2.pdf I find 9 zeros between the $m = 0$ and $m = +1$ maximums; therefore $N = 10$

old exam: 211t2_06.pdf #5

Looking at the left plot, I find $m = 1$ peaks at $y = .58$ m and $y = .75$ m; $d = 1/528$ mm which is 1.894 μ m.

$$
\lambda_1 = \frac{d \sin \theta}{m} = \frac{dy}{m\sqrt{D^2 + y^2}} = \frac{1.894 \times 10^{-6} \cdot .58}{\sqrt{2^2 + .58^2}} = 0.528 \,\mu\text{m}
$$
\n
$$
\lambda_2 = \frac{d \sin \theta}{m} = \frac{dy}{m\sqrt{D^2 + y^2}} = \frac{1.894 \times 10^{-6} \cdot .75}{\sqrt{2^2 + .75^2}} = 0.665 \,\mu\text{m}
$$

For $m=3,\,\lambda_1$ we have

$$
\sin \theta = \frac{m\lambda_1}{d} = .8363 \Rightarrow y = D \tan \theta = 3.05 \text{ m}
$$

whereas for $m=3,$ λ_2 we have

$$
\sin \theta = \frac{m\lambda_2}{d} = 1.05
$$
 impossible!

I estimate a diffraction zero for λ_1 at $y = 2.5$ m (with a rather large uncertainty, in fact I can't rule out $y > 4$ m).

$$
a = \frac{\lambda_1}{\sin \theta} = 0.528 \,\mu\text{m} \,\frac{\sqrt{D^2 + y^2}}{y} = 0.68 \,\mu\text{m}
$$