

✓ **The fringe width is affected due to:**

- i. Change in width of slit [if slit width is doubled, the width of central maxima will be halved]
- ii. Change in wavelength of light [is directly proportional to wavelength]
- iii. Insertion of certain transparent medium in between the slit and the screen.
[when the whole apparatus is immersed in water, the width of central maxima decreases due to

$$\text{decrease in wavelength of light in water } \left\{ \mu = \frac{\lambda_{\text{in air}}}{\lambda_{\text{in water}}} \right\} \quad [\beta_{\text{liquid}} = \frac{\beta_{\text{air}}}{\mu_{\text{liquid}}}]$$

1. The angular width of the central bright maximum in interference pattern of a slit width $12 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm}$ when the slit is illuminated by monochromatic light of wavelength 6000 \AA is:
 - a. 30°
 - b. 60°
 - c. 80°
 - d. 90°
2. In a Young's double slit experiment, the separation of four bright fringes is 2.5 mm when the wavelength used is $6.2 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$. The distance from the slits to the screen is 0.80 m . Calculate the separation of the two slits. [Ans: $5.95 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}$]
3. In a Young's experiment the width of the fringes obtained with light of wavelength 6000 \AA is 2 mm . What will be the fringe width if the entire apparatus is immersed in a liquid of refractive index 1.33 ?
[Ans: $1.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$]
4. In a two slit interference experiment, the distance between the central and the tenth bright fringe on either side is 3.44 cm . Distance between the slits and the screen is 2 m . If the wavelength of the light used is $5.89 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$, determine the slit separation and the angle made by central fringe at the slit.
[Ans: $3.42 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}; 1.72 \times 10^{-3} \text{ rad}$]
5. In Young's double slit experiment, fringe width is 2 mm . Calculate the separation between 9^{th} bright fringe and 2^{nd} dark fringe from the centre of fringe system. [15mm]
6. Young's double slit experiment is made in a liquid. The 10^{th} bright fringe in liquid lies where the 6^{th} dark fringe lies in vacuum. What is the refractive index of the liquid? [1.8]

OPTICAL PATH:

Optical path of a medium is defined as the **distance that light would travel in a vacuum** at the same time it travels in the medium.

Let, $c = \text{speed of light in vacuum}$
 $v = \text{speed of light in a medium}$

Then, distance travelled by light in vacuum in time 't': $D = ct$

$$t = \frac{D}{c} \dots \dots (1)$$

And, distance travelled by light in medium in same time 't': $x = vt$

$$t = \frac{x}{v} \dots \dots (2)$$

From equations (1) and (2)

$$\frac{D}{c} = \frac{x}{v}$$

or $D = \frac{c}{v} x \quad \left[\because \mu_{\text{medium}} = \frac{\text{velocity of light in vacuum}}{\text{velocity of light in the medium}} \right]$