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Graphical Representation of Superposition: vector method

$$y_1 = a_1 \cos(\omega t + \theta_1)$$

$$y_2 = a_2 \cos(\omega t + \theta_2)$$

$$y = a \cos(\omega t + \theta)$$

Use the sum of vectors

$\vec{OA}_1 = (a_1, \theta_1)$ in polar coordinate,
or in (a, θ) parameter space

$$\vec{OA}_2 = (a_2, \theta_2)$$

$$\vec{OA} = (a, \theta)$$

$$\vec{OA} = \vec{OA}_1 + \vec{OA}_2$$

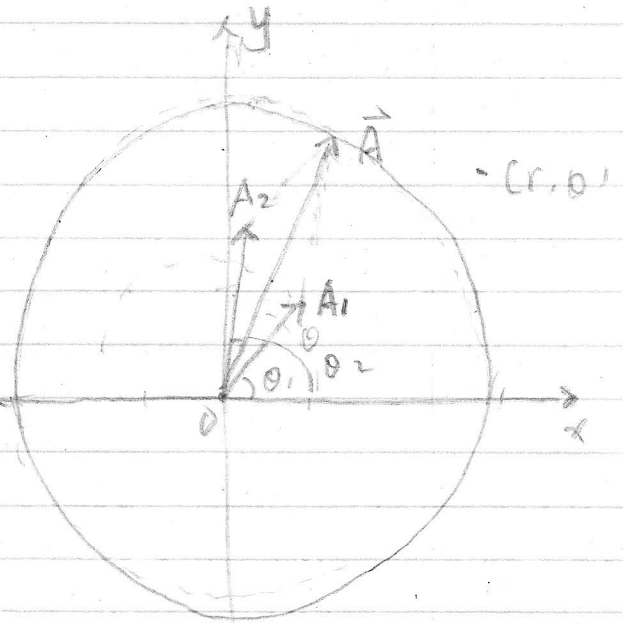
It is obvious that

projection on x

$$\Rightarrow a \cos \theta = a_1 \cos \theta_1 + a_2 \cos \theta_2$$

Projection on y

$$\Rightarrow a \sin \theta = a_1 \sin \theta_1 + a_2 \sin \theta_2$$



$$\Rightarrow a = [a_1^2 + a_2^2 + 2a_1 a_2 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2)]^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad \text{The whole pattern of } \vec{OA}_1 \vec{OA}_2 \text{ rotates at } \omega$$

If $a_1 = a_2$, $\phi = \theta_1 - \theta_2$ = phase difference;

$$a = [2a^2 (1 + \cos \phi)]^{\frac{1}{2}} = [2a^2 \cdot 2 \cos^2 \frac{\phi}{2}]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$a = 2a_1 \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \quad \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a = 2a_1, & \theta = 0, 2\pi, 2\pi n \\ a = 0, & \theta = \pi - (n + \frac{1}{2}) \cdot 2\pi \dots \end{cases}$$

Complex Representation of Superposition

$$y_1 = a_1 \cos(\omega t + \theta_1)$$

or $y_1 = a_1 e^{i(\omega t + \theta_1)}$

The displacement = $\text{Re}(y_1)$

$$y_2 = a_2 e^{i(\omega t + \theta_2)}$$

$$y = y_1 + y_2 = a_1 e^{i(\omega t + \theta_1)} + a_2 e^{i(\omega t + \theta_2)}$$

$$y = (a_1 e^{i\theta_1} + a_2 e^{i\theta_2}) e^{i\omega t}$$

$$y = a e^{i\theta} e^{i\omega t} = a e^{i(\omega t + \theta)}$$

where $a e^{i\theta} = a_1 e^{i\theta_1} + a_2 e^{i\theta_2}$

$$\text{or } \begin{cases} a \cos\theta = a_1 \cos\theta_1 + a_2 \cos\theta_2 & \text{Re part} \\ a \sin\theta = a_1 \sin\theta_1 + a_2 \sin\theta_2 & \text{Im part} \end{cases}$$

(Not Covered) Consider N displacement with increasing phase θ_0
 e.g., diffraction grating step

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &= a e^{i\omega t} \\ y_2 &= a e^{i(\omega t + \theta_0)} \\ y_3 &= a e^{i(\omega t + 2\theta_0)} \\ &\vdots \\ y_{N-1} &= a e^{i(\omega t + (N-1)\theta_0)} \end{aligned}$$

$$y = y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_{N-1} = a e^{i\omega t} [1 + e^{i\theta_0} + e^{2i\theta_0} + \dots + e^{i(N-1)\theta_0}]$$

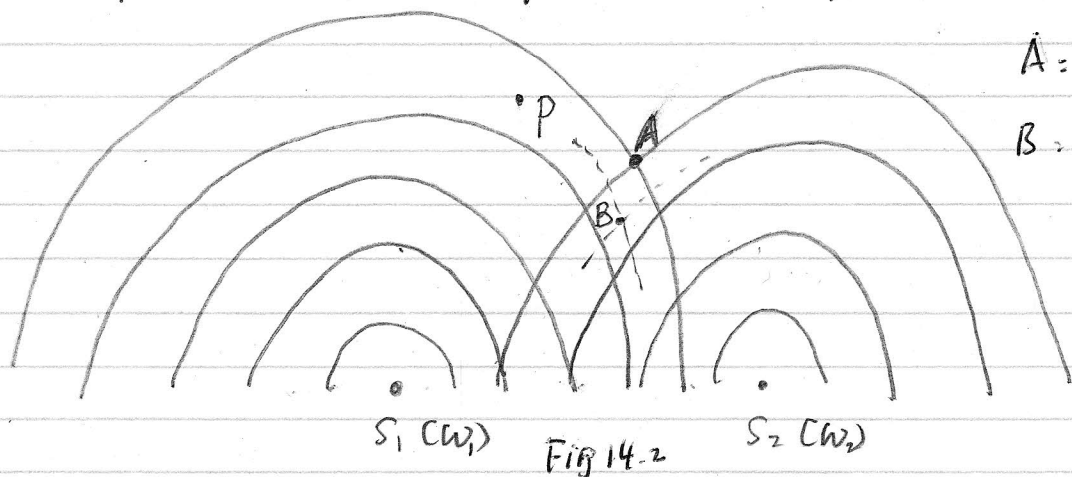
Using the formula of partial sum of series

$$1 + r + r^2 + \dots + r^{N-1} = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} r^k = \frac{1-r^N}{1-r} \quad (r \neq 1)$$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} r^k = \frac{1}{1-r}$$

Two-Beam Interference: By Division of Wave Front (CH 14)
- Young's Double-hole Experiment

Interference Pattern of Water Surface Wave



A: crest
B: trough

Fig 14.2

Forming a stationary interference pattern with crests & Troughs

$\omega_1 = \omega_2 = \omega$: coherent sources (S_1, S_2)

constant phase difference

$$y_1 = a_1 \cos(\omega t - k \overline{S_1 P})$$

$$y_2 = a_2 \cos(\omega t - k \overline{S_2 P})$$

The phase difference $\Delta\phi = k(\overline{S_1 P} - \overline{S_2 P}) = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}(\overline{S_1 P} - \overline{S_2 P})$

$$\Delta\phi = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \Delta$$

$\Delta = \overline{S_1 P} - \overline{S_2 P}$: difference of distance

1) $\Delta = n\lambda \Rightarrow \Delta\phi = 2\pi n \Rightarrow$ constructive interference

2) $\Delta = (n + \frac{1}{2})\lambda \Rightarrow \Delta\phi = 2\pi(n + \frac{1}{2}) \Rightarrow$ destructive interference

The locations of crests & troughs only depend on the distances from the two sources \Rightarrow stationary pattern

Nodal Lines:

the locus of points which correspond to minima

$$\Delta = s_1 P - s_2 P = (n + \frac{1}{2}) \lambda \Rightarrow \text{hyperbola lines}$$

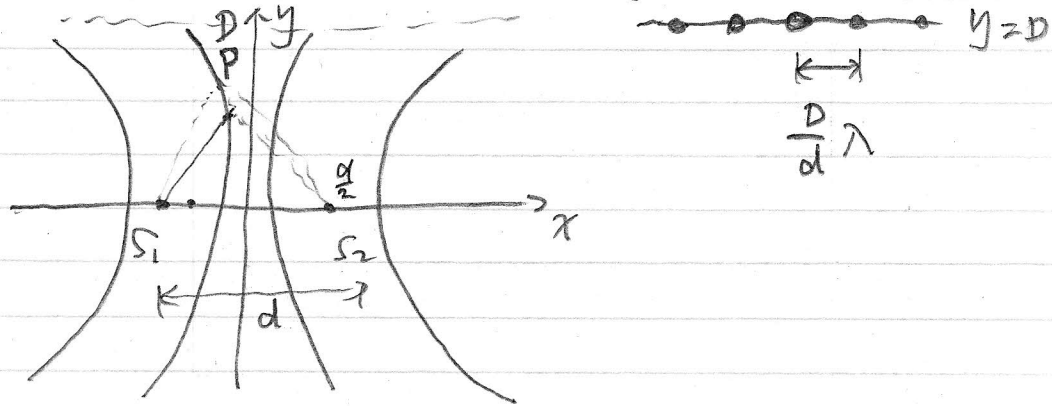


Fig 14.3

$$S_1 = (-\frac{d}{2}, 0), \quad S_2 = (\frac{d}{2}, 0) \quad P(x, y)$$

$$\overline{S_1 P} = [(x + \frac{d}{2})^2 + y^2]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\overline{S_2 P} = [(x - \frac{d}{2})^2 + y^2]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\Delta = \overline{S_1 P} - \overline{S_2 P}$$

$$\text{Rearrange: } \frac{x^2}{\frac{1}{4} \Delta^2} - \frac{y^2}{\frac{1}{4}(d^2 - \Delta^2)} = 1$$

which is the standard equation of hyperbola

$$\Delta = (n + \frac{1}{2}) \lambda : \text{nodal lines}$$

$$\Delta = n \lambda : \text{maxima lines}$$

For large \$(x, y)\$, RHS \$\rightarrow 0\$

$$\frac{x^2}{\frac{1}{4} \Delta^2} - \frac{y^2}{\frac{1}{4}(d^2 - \Delta^2)} = 0$$

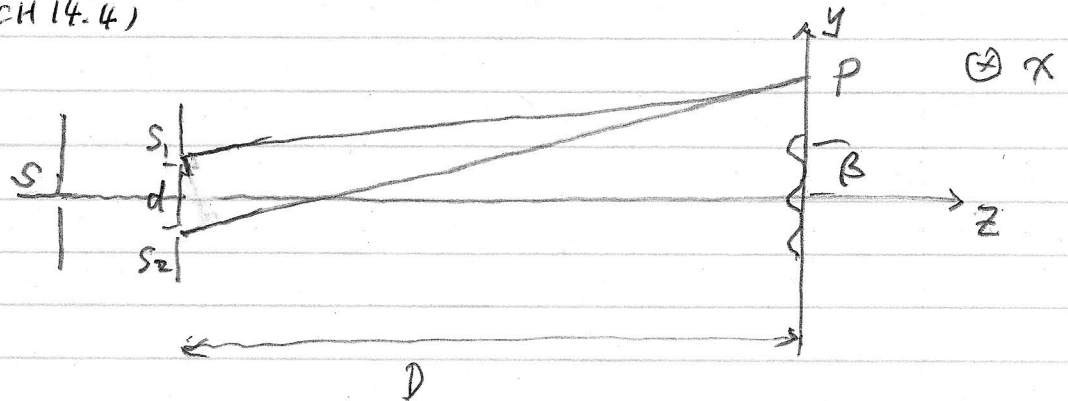
$$y = \pm \left(\frac{d^2 - \Delta^2}{\Delta^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} x \quad \text{: turn into straight lines}$$

\$d \gg \Delta\$: small phase difference ; \$y=D \Rightarrow\$ equal spacing

$$y = \pm \frac{d}{\Delta} x = \pm \frac{d}{n \lambda} x \Rightarrow x = \pm n \left(\frac{D}{d} \right) \lambda \text{ at } y=D$$

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* Interference of Light: Young's Double-hole Experiment
(CH 14.4)



\$S\$ is needed to make coherent lights at \$S_1\$ and \$S_2\$, since they emanate from the same source \$S\$

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$$\Delta = S_2P - S_1P = f(d, D, y)$$

$$(S_2P)^2 = D^2 + \left(y + \frac{d}{2}\right)^2$$

$$(S_1P)^2 = D^2 + \left(y - \frac{d}{2}\right)^2$$

$$(S_2P)^2 - (S_1P)^2 = 2yd$$

$$S_2P - S_1P = \frac{2yd}{(S_2P + S_1P)}$$

Assuming \$y \ll D\$, \$d \ll D \Rightarrow S_2P + S_1P = 2D\$

$$\Delta = \frac{d}{D} y$$

or
$$y = \frac{D}{d} \Delta$$

For maximum,
$$y_n = n\lambda \cdot \frac{D}{d} \quad (\Delta = n\lambda)$$

\$\beta\$: the width of the fringe: distance between two consecutive bright fringes

$$\beta = \frac{\lambda D}{d}$$

From measurement of \$D\$, \$d\$ and \$\beta \Rightarrow \lambda\$