

CH 38, 7th Ed. HW Solutions

P38.4 For destructive interference,

$$\sin \theta = m \frac{\lambda}{a} = \frac{\lambda}{a} = \frac{5.00 \text{ cm}}{36.0 \text{ cm}} = 0.139$$

and $\theta = 7.98^\circ$

$$\frac{d}{L} = \tan \theta$$

gives $d = L \tan \theta = (6.50 \text{ m}) \tan 7.98^\circ = 0.912 \text{ m}$

$$d = \boxed{91.2 \text{ cm}}$$

P38.11 $\sin \theta = \frac{\lambda}{a} = \frac{5.00 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}}{5.00 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}} = \boxed{1.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ rad}}$

P38.13 Undergoing diffraction from a circular opening, the beam spreads into a cone of half-angle

$$\theta_{\min} = 1.22 \frac{\lambda}{D} = 1.22 \left(\frac{632.8 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}}{0.00500 \text{ m}} \right) = 1.54 \times 10^{-4} \text{ rad}$$

The radius of the beam ten kilometers away is, from the definition of radian measure,

$$r_{\text{beam}} = \theta_{\min} (1.00 \times 10^4 \text{ m}) = 1.544 \text{ m}$$

and its diameter is $d_{\text{beam}} = 2r_{\text{beam}} = \boxed{3.09 \text{ m}}$.

P38.18 $1.22 \frac{\lambda}{D} = \frac{d}{L}$ $\lambda = \frac{c}{f} = 0.0200 \text{ m}$
 $D = 2.10 \text{ m}$ $L = 9000 \text{ m}$
 $d = 1.22 \frac{(0.0200 \text{ m})(9000 \text{ m})}{2.10 \text{ m}} = \boxed{105 \text{ m}}$

P38.22

$\sin \theta = 0.350$: $d = \frac{\lambda}{\sin \theta} = \frac{632.8 \text{ nm}}{0.350} = 1.81 \times 10^3 \text{ nm}$

Line spacing = $\boxed{1.81 \mu\text{m}}$