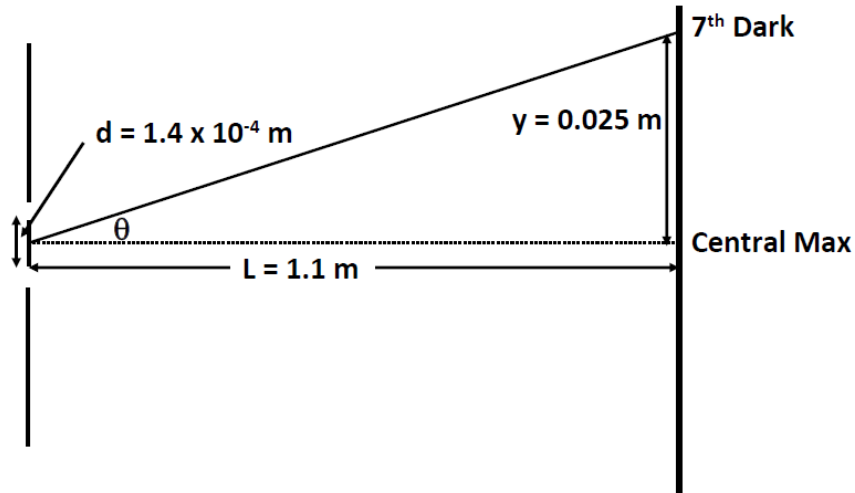


2. In a Young's double-slit experiment, the seventh dark fringe is located 0.025 m to the side of the central bright fringe on a flat screen, which is 1.1 m away from the slits. The separation between the slits is 1.4×10^{-4} m. What is the wavelength of the light being used?



Dark Fringes in a double-slit experiment have the defining equation

$$d \sin(\theta) = \left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right) \lambda$$

Solve for λ

$$\lambda = \frac{d \sin(\theta)}{\left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right)}$$

We get θ , by first using tangent

$$\tan(\theta) = \frac{y}{L} = \frac{0.025 \text{ m}}{1.1 \text{ m}} = 0.022727$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}(0.022727) = 1.3^\circ$$

Now we can find λ

$$\lambda = \frac{d \sin(\theta)}{\left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right)} = \frac{(1.4 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}) \sin(1.3^\circ)}{6 + \frac{1}{2}} = 4.887 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$$

$\lambda = 4.9 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$
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