

Q- Light of wavelengths 480nm and 620nm is incident on a double slit of slit width 0.54mm. How far apart are the second-order fringes for these two wavelengths on a screen 1.6m away?

The fringe width is given by

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

$$\text{Hence } \beta_1 = \frac{D\lambda_1}{d} = \frac{1.6 * 480 * 10^{-9}}{0.54 * 10^{-3}} = 1.42 * 10^{-3}$$

$$\text{And } \beta_2 = \frac{D\lambda_2}{d} = \frac{1.6 * 620 * 10^{-9}}{0.54 * 10^{-3}} = 1.84 * 10^{-3}$$

Hence the difference in the second order maxima will be

$$2(\beta_2 - \beta_1) = 2 * 0.42 * 10^{-3} \text{ m} = 0.84 \text{ mm.}$$