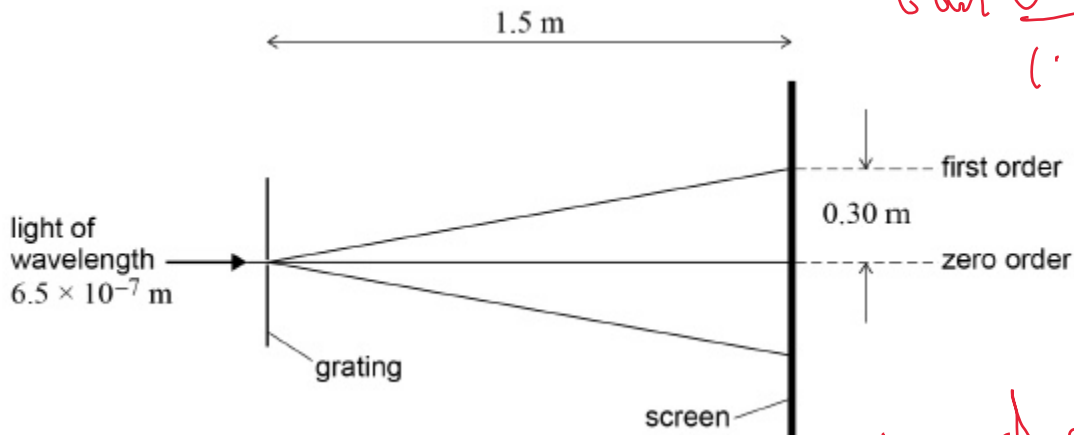


1

A diffraction grating is illuminated normally with light of wavelength $6.5 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$. When a screen is 1.5 m from the grating, the distance between the zero and first-order maxima on the screen is 0.30 m



$\tan^{-1} \frac{0.3}{1.5} = \theta$
 11.3

What is the number of lines per mm of the diffraction grating?

- A 3.3×10^{-6}
- B 3.3×10^{-3}
- C** 3.0×10^2
- D 3.0×10^5

$n\lambda = d \sin \theta$
 $d = \text{slit space}$
 $\frac{n\lambda}{\sin \theta} = d = 3.3 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}$
 $\therefore \text{lines/m} = 3.03 \times 10^5$
 $\therefore \text{line/mm} = \text{C}$
 (Total 1 mark)

2

In a diffraction-grating experiment the maxima are produced on a screen.

What causes the separation of the maxima of the diffraction pattern to decrease?

- ~~A~~ using light with a longer wavelength
- ~~B~~ increasing the distance between the screen and grating
- ~~C~~ increasing the distance between the source and grating
- D** using a grating with a greater slit separation

$n\lambda = d \sin \theta$

(Total 1 mark)

3

(a) Explain what is meant by a progressive wave.

medium isn't transferred
but energy is

(2)

(b) **Figure 1** shows the variation with time of the displacement of one point in a progressive wave.

Figure 1

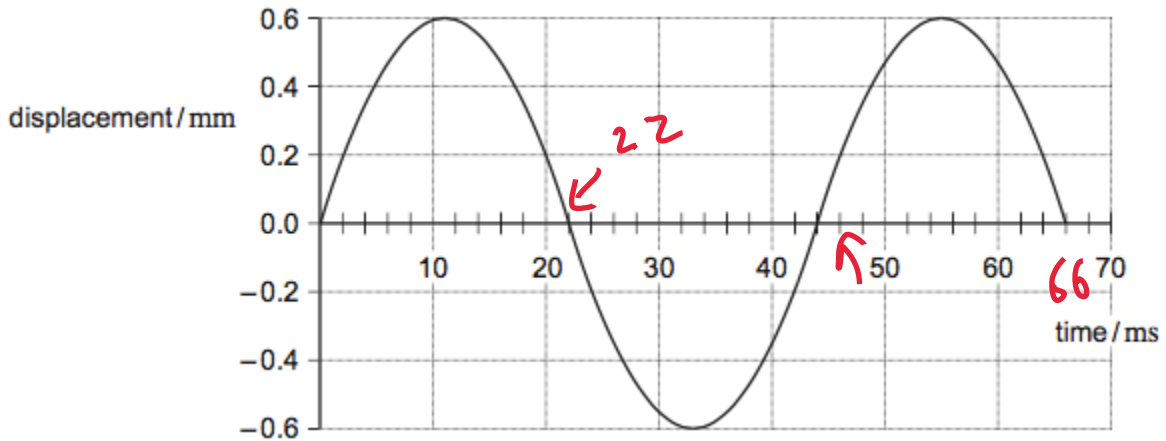
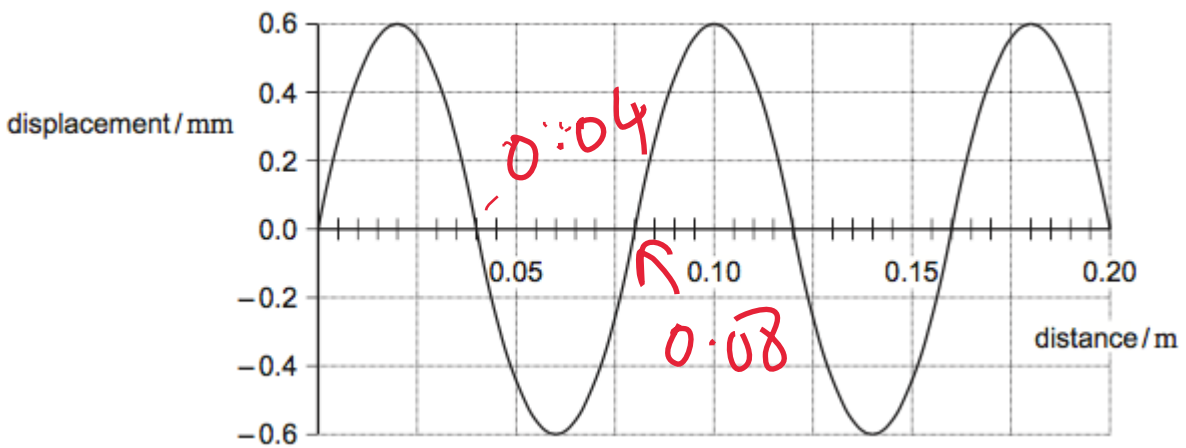


Figure 2 shows the variation of displacement of the same wave with distance.

Figure 2



Use **Figures 1 and 2** to determine

(i) the amplitude of the wave

amplitude = 0.6 mm

(1)

(ii) the wavelength of the wave

wavelength = 0.08 m

(1)

(iii) the frequency of the wave

$$T = 44 \text{ ms}$$

frequency = 23 (~~250~~) Hz

(1)

(iv) the speed of the wave

$$c = f\lambda$$

speed = 1.8 m s⁻¹

(1)

(c) Which of the following statements apply?

Place a tick (✓) in the right-hand column for each correct statement.

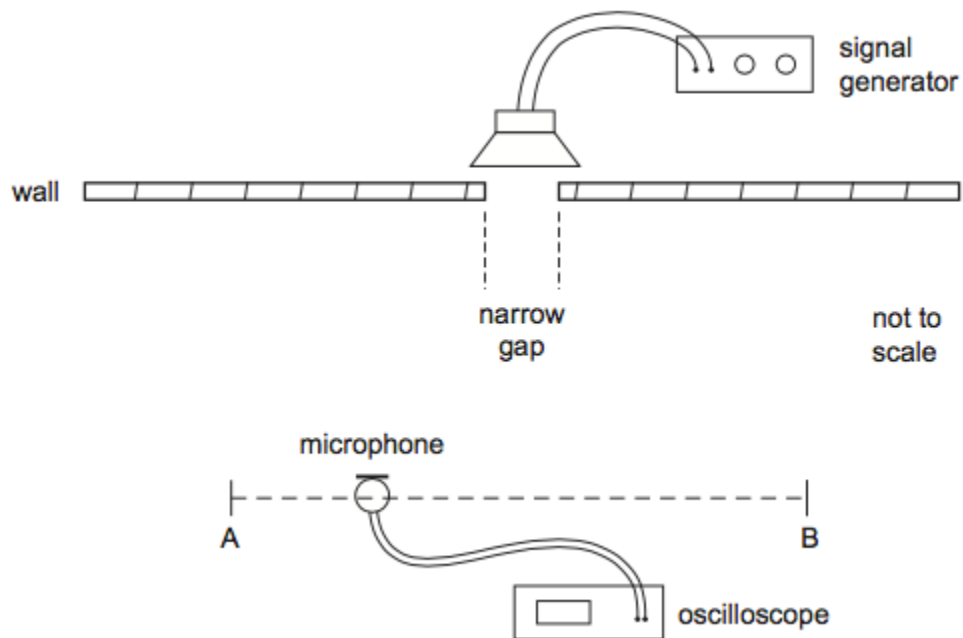
	✓ if correct
sound waves are transverse	
sound waves are longitudinal	✓
sound waves can interfere	✓
sound waves can be polarised	

(1)

- (d) In an investigation, a single loudspeaker is positioned behind a wall with a narrow gap as shown in **Figure 3**.

A microphone attached to an oscilloscope enables changes in the amplitude of the sound to be determined for different positions of the microphone.

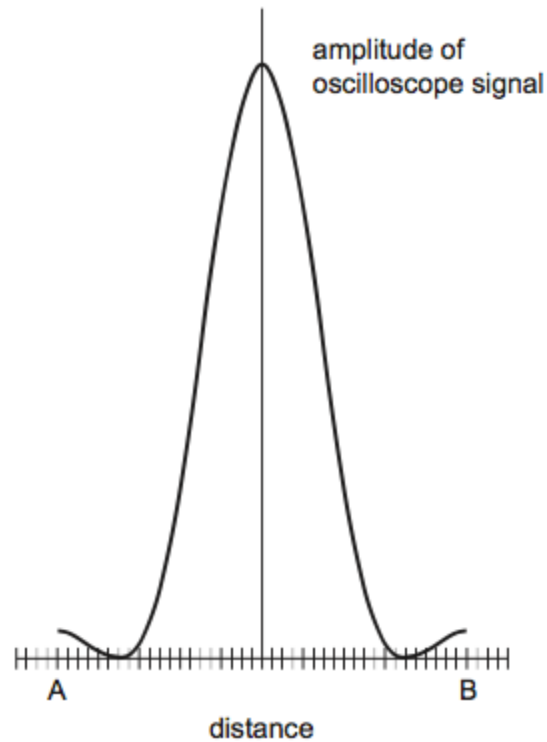
Figure 3



The amplitude of sound is recorded as the microphone position is moved along the line AB a large distance from the gap.

The result of the measurements is shown in **Figure 4**.

Figure 4



The signal generator is adjusted so that sound waves of the same amplitude but of a higher frequency are emitted by the loudspeaker. The investigation using the apparatus shown in **Figure 3** is then repeated.

Explain the effect this has on **Figure 4**.

$f \uparrow$ so $\lambda \downarrow$

therefore lambda is smaller compared to the slit width so less diffraction meaning the central max is narrower

As it is narrower the energy is spread over a smaller distance and so the peak is higher.

(3)

(Total 10 marks)

Mark schemes

1 C

[1]

2 D

[1]

3 (a) A wave transfers energy from one point to another ✓
without transferring material / (causing permanent displacement of the medium) ✓ owtte

2

(b) (i) 0.6 (mm) or 0.60 (mm) ✓

1

(ii) 0.080 (m) ✓

Allow 1 sig fig

1

(iii) $f = 1/T = 1/0.044 = 23$ (Hz) ✓ (22.7 Hz)

1

(iv) $v = f \lambda = 22.7 \times 0.080 = 1.8$ (m s⁻¹) ✓ (1.82 m s⁻¹)

allow CE $v = (biii) \times (bii)$ but working must be shown

1 sig fig not acceptable

1

(c)

sound waves are transverse	sound waves are longitudinal	sound waves can interfere	sound waves can be polarised
	✓	✓	

1

(d) the wavelength would be smaller
smaller spread in main peak or more peaks (between A and B)
the central peak is higher (owtte)
as the energy is concentrated over a smaller area (owtte)
reference to ($\sin \theta_{\min} = \lambda/d$)
✓ ✓ ✓ any 3 lines max 3

Note that the marks here are for use of knowledge rather than performing calculations.

No bod if writing does not make increase or decrease clearly distinct.

Marking should be lenient.

3

[10]