Overlapping Waves from a Double Slit



Consider waves that are produced by the illustrated double slit arrangement.



How many bright spots appear on the illustrated screen?

- 1. Only one.
- 2. Three
- 3. Five
- 4. Seven
- 5. Infinitely many.

Light is incident on a small disk-shaped barrier.





The disk will produce a shadow. The center of this area (marked by an arrow) is:

- 1. a bright spot,
- 2. darker than the rest of the shadow,
- 3. slightly lighter than the rest of the shadow,
- 4. bright or dark depending on the distance between the screen and the disk.

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Double Slit: Wavelength Dependence



An electric field consists of one arrow at each point in space. A simple (realistic) example is illustrated.



Consider the location labeled P. Which of the following is true?

- 1. There can only be an electric field arrow at P if there is also a charged particle at P.
- 2. There can be an electric field arrow at P even if there is no particle of any type at P.

Red light has a wavelength of about $650 \text{ nm} = 6.5 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$ while violet light has a wavelength of about $450 \text{ nm} = 4.5 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$. Both colors travel at the same speed in air.

Which of the following is true?

- 1. Red light has a higher frequency than blue light.
- 2. Red light has a lower frequency than blue light.
- 3. Red light has the same frequency as blue light.
- 4. The frequency depends on the brightness of the light.