

Homework Solutions
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Conceptual

4. The wavelength of light in water decreases so the distance between bright spots would decrease they are directly proportional.

Problems

5. a.

$$d \sin \theta = m\lambda$$

$$v = f\lambda$$

$$\theta = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{m\lambda}{d}\right) = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{m\left(\frac{v}{f}\right)}{d}\right) = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1\left(\frac{343\frac{m}{s}}{2000\text{Hz}}\right)}{0.300m}\right) = 36.2^\circ$$

- b.

$$d \sin \theta = m\lambda$$

$$d = \frac{m\lambda}{\sin \theta} = \frac{1(3.00\text{cm})}{\sin(36.2^\circ)} = 5.08\text{cm}$$

- c.

$$d \sin \theta = m\lambda$$

$$\lambda = \frac{d \sin \theta}{m}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{v}{f}$$

$$\frac{v}{f} = \frac{d \sin \theta}{m}$$

$$f = \frac{mv}{d \sin \theta} = \frac{1 \left(3.0 \cdot 10^8 \frac{m}{s} \right)}{(1.00 \cdot 10^{-6} m) \sin(36.2^\circ)} = 5.08 \cdot 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$$

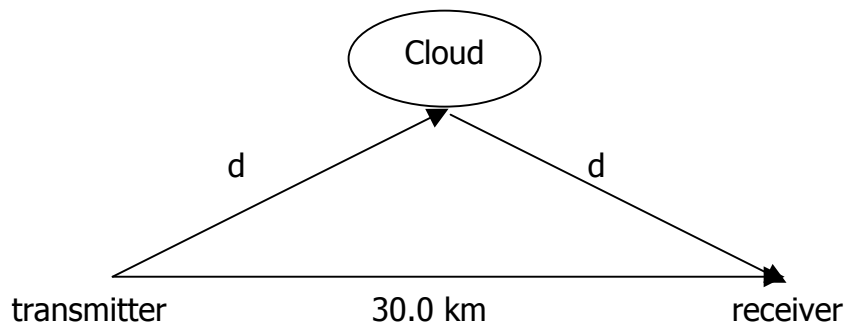
7. You can't use the small angle approximation because L and d and x are all similar in dimension.

11. a.

$$x_{\text{minima}} = \frac{\left(m + \frac{1}{2} \right) L \lambda}{d}$$

$$d = \frac{\left(m + \frac{1}{2} \right) L \lambda}{x} = \frac{(150m)(3.00m)}{2(20.0m)} = 11.3m$$

12.



$\delta = \text{pathdifference}$

$$\delta = \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

$$\delta = 2d - 30.0\text{km}$$

$$\frac{\lambda}{2} = 2d - 30.0\text{km}$$

$$d = \frac{\left(\frac{\lambda}{2} + 30.0\text{km}\right)}{2} = \frac{\left(\frac{0.400\text{km}}{2} + 30.0\text{km}\right)}{2} = 15.1\text{km}$$

$$h = \sqrt{(15.1\text{km})^2 + (15.0\text{km})^2} = 1.73\text{km}$$