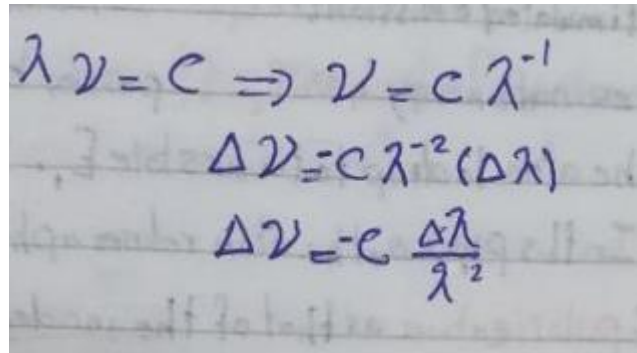


## Sheet 5

1. A- Drive a relationship between the spectral linewidth and the frequency linewidth.

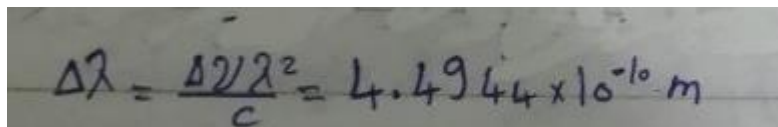


$$\lambda \nu = c \Rightarrow \nu = c \lambda^{-1}$$

$$\Delta \nu = -c \lambda^{-2} (\Delta \lambda)$$

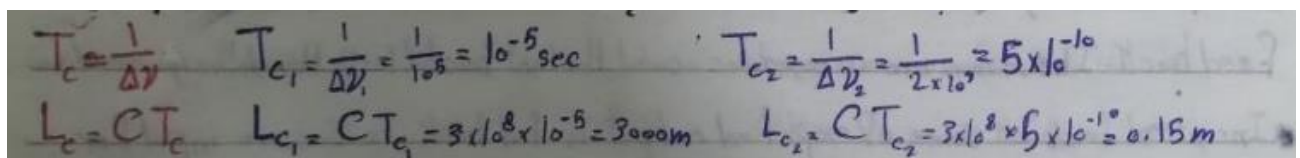
$$\Delta \nu = -c \frac{\Delta \lambda}{\lambda^2}$$

B- For a Nd:YAG laser with a central frequency  $1.06 \mu\text{m}$  and frequency linewidth  $\Delta \nu = 1.2 \times 10^{11} \text{ Hz}$ , calculate the spectral linewidth of such a laser.



$$\Delta \lambda = \frac{\Delta \nu \lambda^2}{c} = 4.4944 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$$

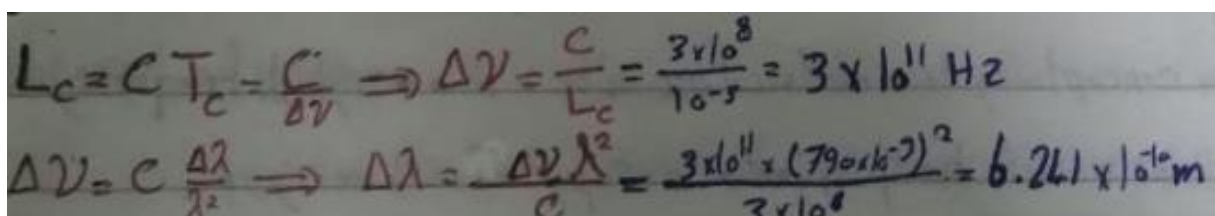
2. Suppose two argon lasers, the first one has one individual mode with a linewidth of  $100 \text{ kHz}$ . The second type has a gain bandwidth of  $2 \text{ GHz}$ . Find the coherence time and coherence length for the two laser types.



$$T_c = \frac{1}{\Delta \nu} \quad T_{c1} = \frac{1}{\Delta \nu_1} = \frac{1}{10^5} = 10^{-5} \text{ sec} \quad T_{c2} = \frac{1}{\Delta \nu_2} = \frac{1}{2 \times 10^9} = 5 \times 10^{-10}$$

$$L_c = c T_c \quad L_{c1} = c T_{c1} = 3 \times 10^8 \times 10^{-5} = 3000 \text{ m} \quad L_{c2} = c T_{c2} = 3 \times 10^8 \times 5 \times 10^{-10} = 0.15 \text{ m}$$

3. A semiconductor laser operates at a free-space wavelength of  $790 \text{ nm}$ , and has a longitudinal coherence length of  $1 \text{ mm}$ . Determine the linewidth in terms of both frequency and wavelength.



$$L_c = c T_c = \frac{c}{\Delta \nu} \Rightarrow \Delta \nu = \frac{c}{L_c} = \frac{3 \times 10^8}{10^{-3}} = 3 \times 10^{11} \text{ Hz}$$

$$\Delta \nu = c \frac{\Delta \lambda}{\lambda^2} \Rightarrow \Delta \lambda = \frac{\Delta \nu \lambda^2}{c} = \frac{3 \times 10^{11} \times (790 \times 10^{-9})^2}{3 \times 10^8} = 6.241 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$$

4. A laser beam of radius 1 mm carries a power of 6 kW. Determine:
- The average irradiance
  - Amplitude of the electric field intensity (E)
  - Amplitude of the magnetic field density (B)

a)  $I = \frac{P}{A} = \frac{6 \times 10^3}{\pi (10^{-3})^2} = 1.9 \times 10^9 \text{ W/m}^2$

b)  $E = \sqrt{\frac{2I}{\epsilon_0 c}} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times 1.9 \times 10^9}{8.85 \times 10^{-12} \times 3 \times 10^8}} = 1.196 \times 10^6 \text{ V/m}$

c)  $B = \frac{E}{c} = \frac{1.196 \times 10^6}{3 \times 10^8} = 3.987 \times 10^{-3} \text{ T}$

5. To operate a Nd:YAG laser, a power of 2500 W is required to drive the arc lamps. The arc lamps provide pump energy to create the population inversion. The overall laser system is characterized by the following component efficiencies:

80% — power supply operation

30% — arc lamps for pump light energy

70% — optical reflectors for concentrating pump light on laser rod

15% — for spectral match of pump light to Nd:YAG pump levels

50% — due to internal cavity/rod losses

- How much of the initial 2500 W is available for power in the output beam?
- What is the overall operational efficiency for this laser?

a)  $P_{out} = 2500 \times 0.8 \times 0.3 \times 0.7 \times 0.15 \times 0.5 = 31.5 \text{ W}$

b) efficiency:  $eff = \frac{P_{out}}{P_{in}} = \frac{31.5}{2500} = 0.0126 = 1.26\%$

1. What does the acronym LASER stand for?

- a) Light Absorption by Stimulated Emission of Radiation
- b) Light Amplification by Stimulated Emission of Radiation**
- c) Light Alteration by Stimulated Emission of Radiation

2. Laser source is highly

- a) Monochromatic**
- b) Polychromatic
- c) Unpolarised

3. What determines the color of light?

- a) its intensity
- b) its wavelength**
- c) its source

4. Which is the property of Laser light

- a) Coherent**
- b) Non-coherent
- c) multidirectional

5. Ordinary light emits

- a) Coherent light
- b) Incoherent light**
- c) Stimulated light

6. Laser has \_\_\_\_\_ divergence

- a) moderate
- b) small**
- c) large

7. process of radiation one photons called \_\_\_\_\_

- a) spontaneous**
- b) stimulation
- c) radiation