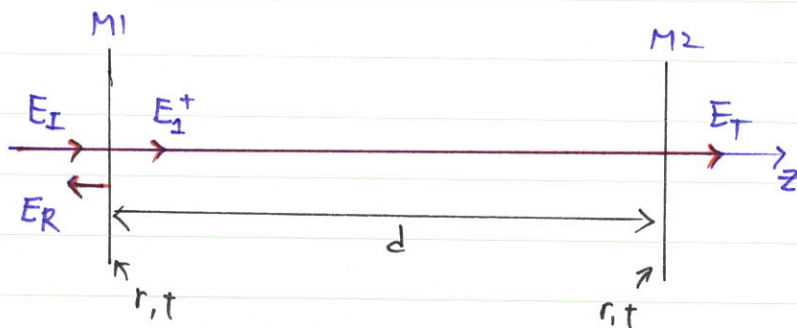


8-5 Fabry-Perot transmission: The Airy function

(See also 7-9)

- Assume lossless parallel mirror set separated by d .
($r^2 + t^2 = 1$)



- round trip time τ :

$$\tau = \frac{2d}{v} = \frac{2dn}{c}, \quad v = \frac{c}{n}$$

- How to express E_T (transmitted light)?

$$E(z_0 + \Delta z, t_0 + \Delta t) = P_F(\Delta z, \Delta t) E(z_0, t_0),$$

P_F : propagation factor

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow P_F(\Delta z, \Delta t) &= \frac{\bar{E}(z_0 + \Delta z, t_0 + \Delta t)}{E(z_0, t_0)} = \frac{E_0 e^{i[\omega(t_0 + \Delta t) - k(z_0 + \Delta z)]}}{E_0 e^{i(\omega t_0 - k z_0)}} \\ &= e^{i(\omega \Delta t - k \Delta z)} \quad \star \end{aligned}$$

Let $E_I = E_{0I} e^{i\omega t}$; $E_1^+ = E_{01}^+ e^{i\omega t}$ $\star$

- However,

E_1^+ has two components: transmitted one at $t = t$
returned one (round trip) at $t = t + \tau$

A. For E_1^+ :

$$\rightarrow E_1^+(t + \tau) = t E_I(t + \tau) + r P_F(\Delta z = 2d, \Delta t = \tau) E_1^+(t)$$

$$(i) \therefore E_{o1}^+(t+\tau)e^{i\omega(t+\tau)} = \underbrace{tE_{oI}e^{i\omega(t+\tau)}}_{\text{just transmitted}} + \underbrace{r^2 E_{o1}^+(t)e^{i\omega t} e^{i(\omega\tau - 2kd)}}_{\text{round-tripped}}$$

For a steady state (inside the cavity),

$$\rightarrow E_{o1}^+(t+\tau) = E_{o1}^+(t) \equiv E_{o1}^+$$

$$\therefore (i) \rightarrow E_{o1}^+ e^{i\omega(t+\tau)} = tE_{oI}e^{i\omega(t+\tau)} + r^2 E_{o1}^+ e^{i\omega t} e^{i(\omega\tau - 2kd)}$$

$$\rightarrow E_{o1}^+ (1 - r^2 e^{-i2kd}) = tE_{oI}$$

$$\therefore E_{o1}^+ = \left(\frac{t}{1 - r^2 e^{-i\delta}} \right) E_{oI},$$

$\delta = 2kd$: round trip phase shift

B, For E_T :

$$\begin{aligned} E_T(t + \frac{\tau}{2}) &= E_{oT}e^{i\omega(t+\tau/2)} = t \Big|_F (\delta z = d, \delta t = \tau/2) E_{o1}^+(t) \\ &= tE_{o1}^+ e^{i\omega t} e^{i(\omega\tau/2 - d/2)} \\ &= t \left(\frac{t}{1 - r^2 e^{-i\delta}} \right) E_{oI} e^{-i\delta/2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore E_{oT} = \frac{t^2 e^{-i\delta/2}}{1 - r^2 e^{-i\delta}} E_{oI}$$

Transmission T :

$$T = \frac{I_T}{I_I} = \frac{E_{oT} E_{oT}^*}{E_{oI} E_{oI}^*}$$

$$\therefore T = \frac{t^4 e^{-i\delta/2} e^{i\delta/2}}{(1 - r^2 e^{-i\delta})(1 - r^2 e^{i\delta})}$$

$$= \frac{t^4}{1 + r^2 - 2r^2 \cos \delta} = \frac{(1 - r^2)^2}{1 + r^4 - 2r^2 \cos \delta}$$

Using $\cos \delta = 1 - 2\sin^2\left(\frac{\delta}{2}\right)$,

$$1 + r^4 - 2r^2 \cos \delta = 1 + r^4 - 2r^2 \left(1 - 2\sin^2\left(\frac{\delta}{2}\right)\right)$$

$$= \underbrace{1 + r^4 - 2r^2} + \underbrace{4r^2 \sin^2\left(\frac{\delta}{2}\right)}$$

$$\therefore T = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{4r^2}{(1 - r^2)^2} \sin^2\left(\frac{\delta}{2}\right)}$$

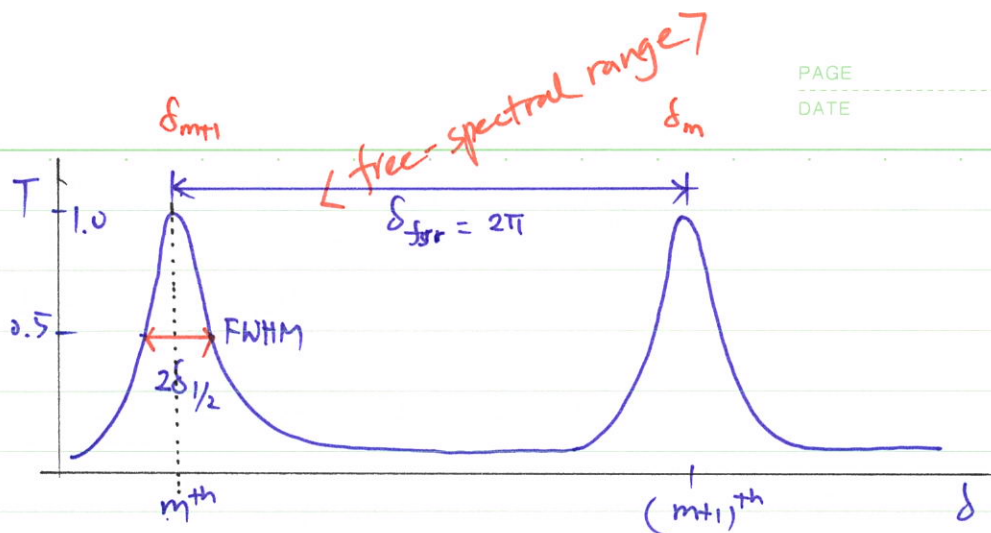
★ $F = \frac{4r^2}{(1 - r^2)^2}$: coefficient of Finesse

$$\therefore T = \frac{1}{1 + F \sin^2\left(\frac{\delta}{2}\right)}$$

transmitted

- Finesse $\mathcal{F}$, : the ratio of the ^{transmitted} peak-to-peak separation to FWHM of the peak.

$$\mathcal{F} = \frac{\pi \sqrt{F}}{2} = \frac{\pi r}{1 - r^2}$$



$$P_f) \quad I_T = \frac{1}{1 + F \sin^2\left(\frac{d}{2}\right)} \quad \rightarrow T_{\max} \Rightarrow \sin^2\left(\frac{d}{2}\right) = 0 \quad \therefore \frac{d}{2} = m\pi$$

$$\cdot \text{Half maximum: } \frac{1}{2} I_T$$

$$\rightarrow \delta_m = 2m\pi$$

$$\therefore \delta_{m+1} - \delta_m = 2\pi$$

$$\rightarrow F \sin^2\left(\frac{\delta_{1/2}}{2}\right) = 1 \quad : \quad (d \rightarrow \delta_{1/2} \text{ to denote half maximum})$$

$$\rightarrow \sin^2\left(\frac{\delta_{1/2}}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{F} = \frac{(1-r^2)^2}{4r^2}$$

$$\rightarrow \sin\left(\frac{\delta_{1/2}}{2}\right) = \frac{1-r^2}{2r} \sim \frac{\delta_{1/2}}{2} \quad (\text{if } \delta_{1/2} \ll 1)$$

$$\therefore \text{Full width: } 2 \cdot \delta_{1/2}$$

$$2\delta_{1/2} = \frac{1-r^2}{r} \quad \left(\mathcal{F} = \frac{\pi r}{1-r^2} \right)$$

$$\therefore \delta_{1/2} = \pi / \mathcal{F}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{(1+r)(1-r)}{r}} \rightarrow \downarrow$$

(i) $r \sim 0, 2\delta_{1/2} \sim \frac{1-r}{r} \approx \frac{1}{r} - 1$

$$(ii) r \sim 1, 2\delta_{1/2} \sim 2(1-r)$$

filter

$$\frac{\delta_{fsr}}{\text{FWHM}} = \frac{2\pi}{2\delta_{1/2}} = \mathcal{F}$$

8-6 Scanning Fabry-Perot interferometer : Metrology

• Recall $\delta = 2kd$.

For the max transmitted peaks,

$$\delta = 2m\pi \quad (= 2kd_m = 2 \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \cdot d_m), \quad m=0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

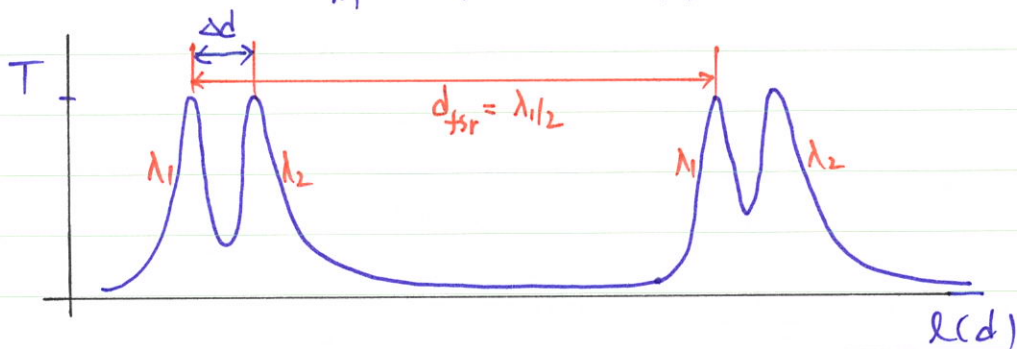
$$\therefore d_m = m\lambda/2$$

$$\rightarrow d_{fsr} = d_{m+1} - d_m = \frac{\lambda}{2} \quad (\text{free distance})$$

• Remember $\delta_{fsr} = 2\pi$ (phase)

• For two different wavelengths λ_1 & λ_2 incoming to the Fabry-Perot,
where $d = 5 \text{ cm}$, and $|\lambda_1 - \lambda_2| \ll \lambda$ ($\lambda \sim \lambda_1, \lambda_2 = 500 \text{ nm}$),

$$\rightarrow \lambda_1 = \frac{2d_1}{m} \quad ; \quad \lambda_2 = \frac{2d_2}{m} \quad (\text{for the same mode})$$



$$\rightarrow \lambda_2 - \lambda_1 = \Delta\lambda = \frac{2}{m} (d_2 - d_1) = \frac{2}{\left(\frac{2d_1}{\lambda_1}\right)} \Delta d$$

$$\therefore \frac{\Delta\lambda}{\lambda_1} = \frac{\Delta d}{d_1}$$

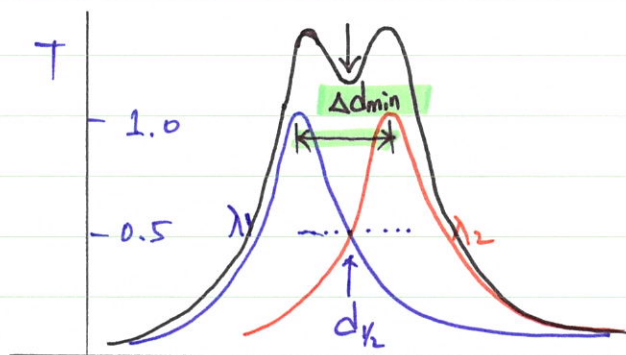


indirect wavelength measurement!

< Resolving Power >

$\Delta\lambda_{\min}$ is limited by $d_{1/2}$.

Q. what is minimum Δd ?



Resolution criterion, $\Delta d \geq 2 \Delta d_{1/2} : (d_{1/2} = \frac{1}{2} d)$
 $= \Delta d_{\min}$

Q. What is minimum $\Delta\lambda$?

$$\rightarrow \mathcal{R} = \frac{d_{\text{fsr}}}{2d_{1/2}} = \frac{K d_{\text{fsr}}}{2K \Delta d_{1/2}} = \frac{d_{\text{fsr}}}{2 \Delta d_{1/2}}$$

$$\therefore 2 \Delta d_{1/2} = \frac{d_{\text{fsr}}}{\mathcal{R}} = \frac{\lambda}{2\mathcal{R}} \quad (\equiv \Delta d_{\min})$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\Delta\lambda_{\min}}{\lambda} = \frac{\Delta d_{\min}}{d} \quad \left(\text{from } \frac{\Delta\lambda}{\lambda} = \frac{\Delta d}{d} \right)$$

$$= \frac{2 \Delta d_{1/2}}{d} = \frac{\lambda}{2d\mathcal{R}}$$

$$\text{Resolving Power, } \mathcal{R} \equiv \frac{\lambda}{\Delta\lambda_{\min}} = \frac{2d\mathcal{R}}{\lambda} = m\mathcal{R} \quad \left(m = \frac{2d}{\lambda} \right)$$

< Interpretation of $\mathcal{R}$. >

→ To get a big $\mathcal{R}$, both m & $\mathcal{F}$ must be large.

However, to maximize m ,

the mirror separation d in a Fabry-Perot must be as large as possible.

ex) $r = 0.95$, $d = 1 \text{ cm}$, $\lambda = 500 \text{ nm}$

Determine mode number, $\mathcal{F}$, and $(\Delta\lambda)_{\min}$, $\mathcal{R}$

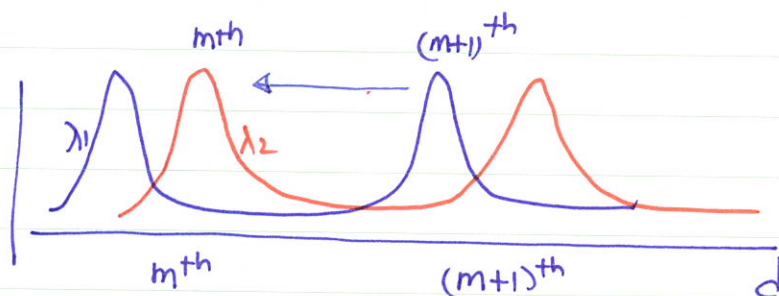
$$\rightarrow \text{(i)} \quad m = \frac{2d}{\lambda} = \frac{2 \cdot 10^{-2}}{5 \cdot 10^{-7}} = 40,000$$

$$\text{(ii)} \quad \mathcal{F} = \frac{\pi r}{1 - r^2} = \frac{\pi (0.95)}{1 - 0.95^2} = 31$$

$$\text{(iii)} \quad (\Delta\lambda)_{\min} = \frac{\lambda}{m\mathcal{F}} = \frac{5 \cdot 10^{-7}}{(40,000)(31)} = 4 \times 10^{-4} \text{ (nm)}$$

$$\text{(iv)} \quad \mathcal{R} = \frac{\lambda}{(\Delta\lambda)_{\min}} = \frac{500}{4 \times 10^{-4}} = 1.2 \times 10^6$$

< Maximum $\Delta\lambda$ >



• For max $\Delta\lambda$: $\lambda_1(m+1) = \lambda_2(m)$

(i) For the same mode number

$$\rightarrow \Delta d = m\left(\frac{\lambda_2}{2}\right) - m\left(\frac{\lambda_1}{2}\right) = m\left(\frac{\Delta\lambda}{2}\right)$$

$$d_{fsr} = (m+1)\left(\frac{\lambda_1}{2}\right) - m\left(\frac{\lambda_1}{2}\right) = \frac{\lambda_1}{2}$$

(ii) For the overlap between $(m+1)\lambda_1$ & $m\lambda_2$,

$$\Rightarrow \Delta d = d_{fsr}$$

$\rightarrow$ overlap occurs if

$$m\left(\frac{\Delta\lambda}{2}\right) = \frac{\lambda_1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \Delta\lambda_{max} = \frac{\lambda_1}{m} \sim \frac{\lambda}{m} \quad (\text{free spectral range of the FP})$$

$\rightarrow$ To get large $\Delta\lambda$, m must be small

$\rightarrow$ Small d is needed!

$$\bullet \frac{\Delta\lambda_{max}}{\Delta\lambda_{min}} = \frac{\left(\frac{\lambda}{m}\right)}{\left(\frac{\lambda}{mF}\right)} = F$$

8-7 Variable-input-freq FP interferometer.

• For a fixed length d ,
cavity

→ round-trip phase shift δ ,

$$\delta = 2kd = 4\pi d \left(\frac{\nu}{c} \right) \quad , \quad (\lambda\nu = c)$$

$$\rightarrow \delta_m = 4\pi d \left(\frac{\nu_m}{c} \right) \quad , \quad m = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

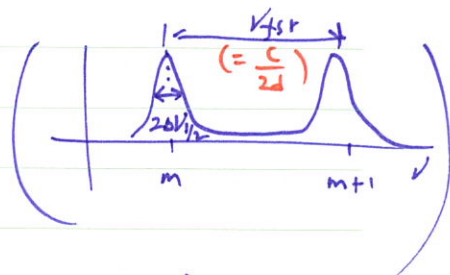
(i) The transmitted peaks occur at

$$\delta_m = 2m\pi \quad \rightarrow \quad \nu_m = \frac{mc}{2d}$$

$$\therefore \nu_{fsr} = \nu_{m+1} - \nu_m = \frac{c}{2d} \quad (\text{free spectral range})$$

(ii) $2\Delta\nu_{1/2}$

$$\mathcal{F} = \frac{\nu_{fsr}}{2\delta_{1/2}} = \frac{\nu_{fsr}}{2\Delta\nu_{1/2}}$$

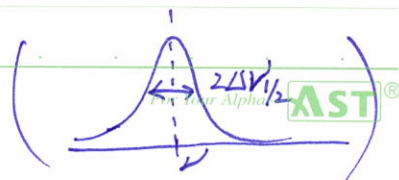


$$\therefore 2\Delta\nu_{1/2} = \frac{\nu_{fsr}}{\mathcal{F}} = \left(\frac{c}{2d} \right) \left(\frac{1-r^2}{\pi r} \right)$$

→ To be used to freq change calibration!

(iii) Quality factor Q ,

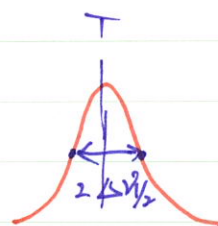
$$Q \equiv \frac{\nu}{2\Delta\nu_{1/2}} = \mathcal{F} \frac{\nu}{\nu_{fsr}}$$



8-8 Lasers & FP cavity

(i) Cavity decay rate, P

= cavity loss rate, $2\Delta\nu_{1/2}$



→ For lasing,
this loss must be compensated by the gain medium.

$$E_{o1}^+(t+\tau) = r^2 E_{o1}^+(t) \quad : \text{round trip overlapping}$$

$$E_{o1}^+(t+\tau) \sim E_{o1}^+(t) + \tau \frac{d}{dt} E_{o1}^+(t)$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} E_{o1}^+(t) = -\left(\frac{1}{\tau}\right)(1-r^2) E_{o1}^+(t)$$

$$\int \frac{\frac{d}{dt}(E_{o1}^+(t))}{E_{o1}^+(t)} dt = - \int \frac{(1-r^2)}{\tau} dt$$

$$\ln E_{o1}^+(t) = -\frac{(1-r^2)}{\tau} t + c$$

$$\therefore E_{o1}^+(t) = E_{o1}^+(t_0) e^{-\frac{1}{\tau}(1-r^2)(t-t_0)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow I^+(t) &= E_{o1}^+(t) E_{o1}^{+*}(t) = I_{o1}^+(t_0) e^{-\frac{2}{\tau}(1-r^2)(t-t_0)} \\ &\equiv I_{o1}^+(t_0) e^{-P(t-t_0)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore P = \frac{2}{\tau}(1-r^2)$$

$$\rightarrow P \cdot \tau = 2(1-r^2) = 2\alpha^2$$

< Interpretation >

For a highly reflective mirrors,

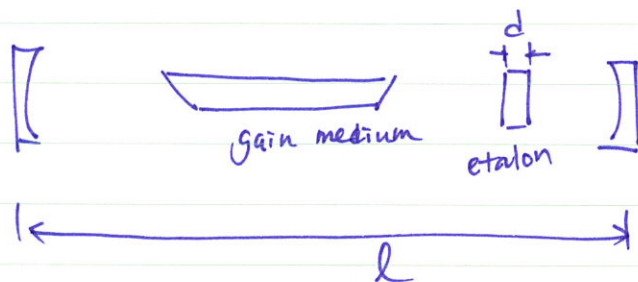
$$T = \frac{2}{\tau} (1 - r^2) = 2\pi r \left(\frac{c}{2d} \frac{1 - r^2}{\pi r} \right), \quad \tau = \frac{2d}{c}$$

$$= 2\pi (2 \Delta\nu_{1/2})$$

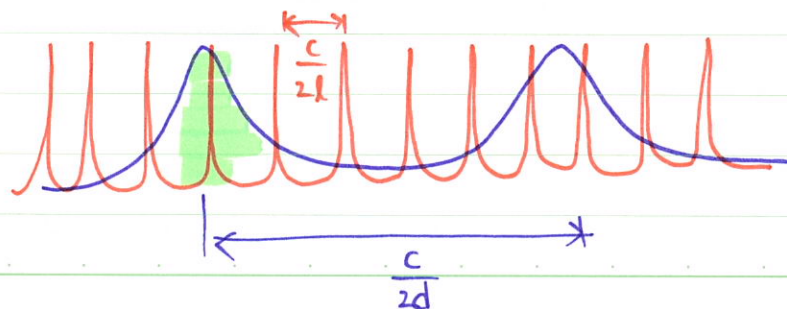
$$\rightarrow Q = \frac{2\pi\nu}{\Gamma} = \frac{\omega}{\Gamma}$$

$$(Q = \frac{\nu}{2 \Delta\nu_{1/2}})$$

ex) laser mode suppression



$$\rightarrow \nu_{fsr} = \frac{c}{2l} ; \frac{c}{2d}$$



(x) Ar-ion laser

- Gain bandwidth : 6 GHz

- Cavity length : 1 m

Q1 Estimate # of longitudinal cavity mode.

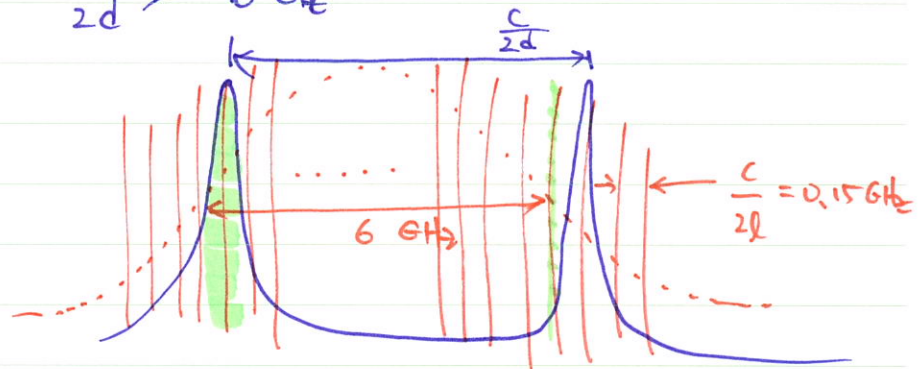
Q2. Find out d of an etalon for a single mode laser output.

$$\rightarrow A1. \nu_{fsr}^l = \frac{c}{2l} = \frac{3 \cdot 10^8}{2} = 0.15 \text{ GHz}$$

$$\therefore \# \text{ of lasing modes} : \frac{6 \text{ GHz}}{0.15 \text{ GHz}} = 40$$

A2. for a single mode operation,

$$\nu_{fsr}^e = \frac{c}{2d} \geq 6 \text{ GHz}$$



$$\therefore d < \frac{c}{2(6 \cdot 10^9)} = 2.5 \text{ cm}$$

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