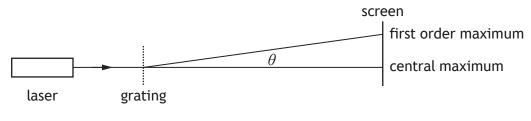
10. A student carries out an experiment to investigate the effect of a grating on beams of light from three different lasers.



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The three different lasers produce red, green and blue light respectively. Each laser beam is directed in turn towards the grating.

The grating has a slit separation of 3.3×10^{-6} m.

(a) State which of these three colours of laser light would produce the smallest angle θ between the central maximum and the first order maximum.

Justify your answer.

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- (b) The angle $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ between the central maximum and the first order maximum for light from one of the lasers is 8.9° .
 - (i) Calculate the wavelength of this light.

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(ii) Determine the colour of the light from this laser.

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(iii) Another student suggests that a more accurate value for the wavelength of this laser light can be found if a grating with a slit separation of 5.0×10^{-6} m is used.

Explain why this suggestion is incorrect.

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