

14.15 Given that a ruby laser operating at 694.3 nm has a frequency bandwidth of 50 MHz, what is the corresponding linewidth?

$$c = \lambda f$$

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

$$\frac{d\lambda}{df} = -\frac{c}{f^2} = -\frac{c}{f} \times \frac{1}{f} = -\frac{\lambda}{f}$$

$$\frac{c}{f^2} = \frac{1}{c} \left( \frac{c}{f} \right)^2 = \frac{\lambda^2}{c}$$

$$\frac{\Delta\lambda}{\Delta f} = \frac{c}{f^2} = \frac{\lambda^2}{c}$$

$$\Delta\lambda = \frac{\lambda^2 \Delta f}{c}$$

$$= \frac{(694.3)^2 \times 10^{-18} * 50 \times 10^6}{3 \times 10^8}$$

$$= 8.03 \times 10^{-5} \text{ nm}$$

**14.16** Determine the frequency difference between adjacent axial resonant cavity modes for a typical gas laser 25 cm long ( $n = 1$ ).

$$L = \frac{m \lambda_m}{2}$$

$$f_m = \frac{c}{\lambda_m}$$

$$\lambda_m = \frac{2L}{m}$$

$$f_m = \frac{c}{\lambda_m} = \frac{m c}{2L}$$

$$\Delta f = f_{m+1} - f_m = \frac{c}{2L} = \frac{3 \times 10^8}{50 \times 10^{-2}}$$

$$\Delta f = \frac{3 \times 10^8}{.5} = 6 \times 10^8 = 600 \text{ MHz}$$

L.1 A He-Ne laser beam with an angle of divergence of 0.5 mrad is focused to a spot using a convex lens with a 5 cm focal length. What is the diameter of the spot?

$$D = f \theta = 5 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m} * 0.5 \times 10^{-3} = 2.5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}$$

$$D = .025 \text{ mm}$$

**L.2** The beam expander shown in Figure 2 is used to expand a laser beam with a diameter of 1.2 mm a 0.80 mrad angle of divergence.  $f_1 = 1.2$  cm.  $f_2 = 18.0$  cm.

- What is the diameter of the beam produced by the expander?
- What is the resulting divergence angle of the beam?

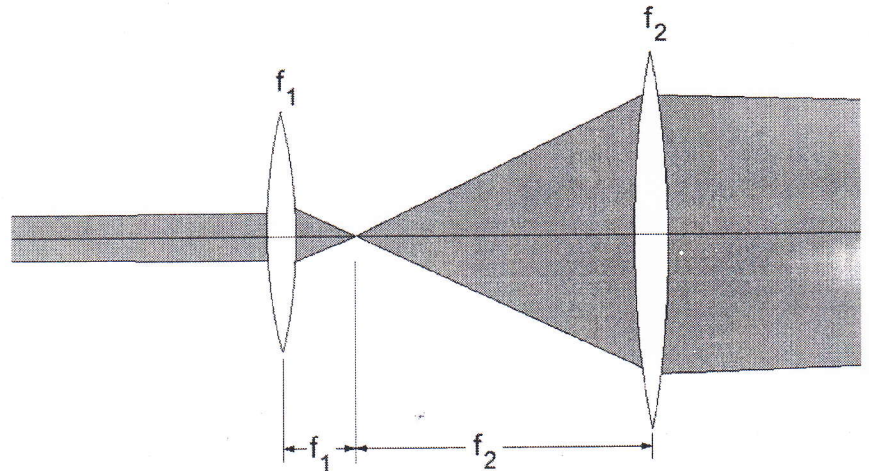


Figure 2

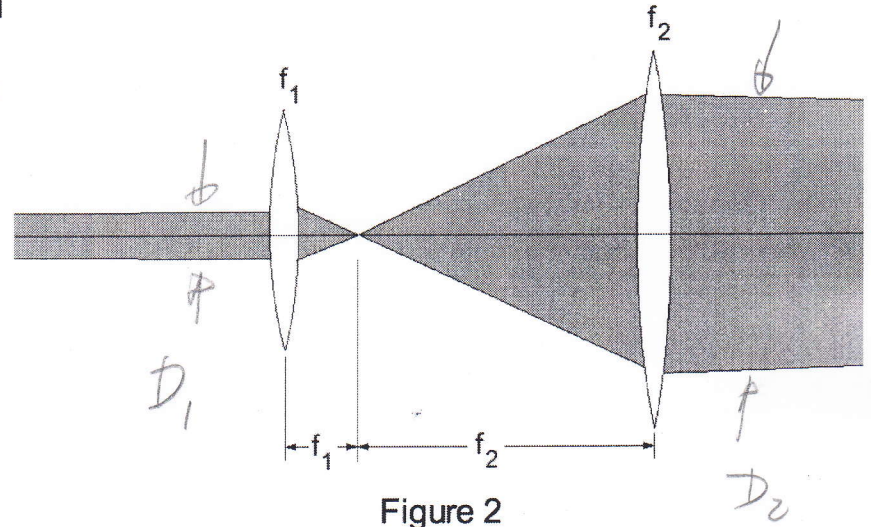
$$D_2 = \frac{f_2}{f_1} D_1$$

$$= \frac{18}{1.2} \times 1.2 = 18 \text{ mm} = 1.8 \text{ cm}$$

$$\phi_2 = \frac{f_1}{f_2} \phi_1$$

$$= \frac{1.2}{18} \times 0.8 = 0.053 \text{ mrad}$$

**L.3** Design a beam expander that will transform a laser beam with a 0.75 mrad angle of divergence and a 2 mm spot size into a 1.0 cm diameter beam.



$$D_2 = \frac{f_2}{f_1} D_1$$

$$\frac{f_2}{f_1} = \frac{D_2}{D_1} = \frac{1.0 \text{ cm}}{0.2 \text{ cm}} = 5 \text{ cm} = \frac{5 \text{ cm}}{1 \text{ cm}}$$

$$\text{Let } f_2 = 5 \text{ cm}$$

$$f_1 = 1 \text{ cm}$$

OTHER VALUES of  $f_1$  &  $f_2$  will work.

$$\text{AS LONG AS } \frac{f_2}{f_1} = 5$$