

# • WIEN'S DISPLACEMENT LAW :-

Statement :- This law states that at the maximum energy associated with the minimum wavelength which is inversely proportional to the absolute temperature.

If  $\lambda_m$  be the minimum wavelength at maximum energy and ' $T$ ' be the absolute temperature then according to the law

$$\lambda_m \propto \frac{1}{T}$$

$$\boxed{\lambda_m \cdot T = \text{constant}}$$

Derivation :- To derive Wien's displacement law, let us consider a spherical enclosure capable of expanding radially just like football bladder having reflecting walls. Let the sphere is full of diffused radiation of energy density ' $u$ ' at a uniform temperature ' $T$ '. ' $V$ ' be the volume of the enclosure. Then the total energy of radiation

$$\boxed{U = u \cdot V} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$



since the enclosure be expanded adiabatically with uniform velocity 'v' then the work done can be written as

$$dW = P \cdot dv \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

We have from first law of thermodynamics

$$dQ = dU + dW \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

We know that for the adiabatic change

$$dQ = 0 \text{ (zero)}$$

and

$$dW = P \cdot dv$$

But for diffused radiation

$$P = \frac{1}{3} \cdot u$$

$$\therefore W = \frac{1}{3} u \cdot dv$$

Putting all the values in eq (3)

$$0 = d(u \cdot v) + \frac{1}{3} u \cdot dv$$

$$u \cdot dv + v \cdot du + \frac{1}{3} u \cdot dv = 0$$

$$\frac{4}{3} u \cdot dv + v \cdot du = 0$$

dividing throughout by 'u'

$$\frac{4}{3} \frac{u \cdot dv}{u} + \frac{v \cdot du}{u} = 0$$

$$\frac{4}{3} dv + \frac{v \cdot du}{u} = 0$$

Again dividing throughout by 'v'

$$\frac{4}{3} \frac{dv}{v} + \frac{du}{u} = 0$$

Integrating both sides



$$\frac{4}{3} \int \frac{dv}{v} + \int \frac{du}{u} = 0$$

$$\frac{4}{3} \log v + \log u = \log k$$

where 'k' is the integration constant

$$\log v^{4/3} + \log u = \log k$$

$$\log (v^{4/3} \cdot u) = \log k$$

$$\boxed{u \cdot v^{4/3} = k} \text{ (constant)}$$

According to Stefan's law

$$\boxed{u = aT^4} \text{ — (5)}$$

where 'a' is a constant quantity putting this value of 'u' in eq (4)

$$v^{4/3} \cdot aT^4 = \text{constant}$$

$$v^{4/3} \cdot T^4 = \frac{\text{constant}}{a}$$

$$(v^{1/3} \cdot T)^4 = (\text{constant})^4$$

$$\boxed{v^{1/3} \cdot T = \text{Constant}} \text{ — (6)}$$

As we know that the enclosure expand. Just like football bladder and hence the reflected ray will have change in wavelength due to doppler effect for this let us consider a ray AB of wavelength 'x' be made to fall on the wall of the enclosure at an angle 'θ' and Hence the wave reflects toward BC. Therefore the wall expands with the velocity 'v' and attains the new positions by covering a distance as shown below







From the diagram

$$BE = EO$$

Hence eq (8) becomes

$$d\lambda = EO + EF$$

$$\boxed{d\lambda = OF} \text{ --- (9)}$$

from the diagram in  $\Delta BOF$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{OF}{OB}$$

$$\boxed{OF = OB \cos \theta} \text{ --- (10)}$$

Hence the eq (9) becomes

$$d\lambda = OB \cos \theta$$

But,

$$BD = OD$$

$$OB = BD + OD$$

$$= BD + BD$$

$$= 2BD$$

$$\text{But } BD = v \cdot T$$

$$\boxed{OB = 2vT}$$

Putting this value of  $OB$  in eq (10)

$$\boxed{d\lambda = 2vT \cos \theta} \text{ --- (11)}$$

If 'c' be the velocity of the wave then we know that

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

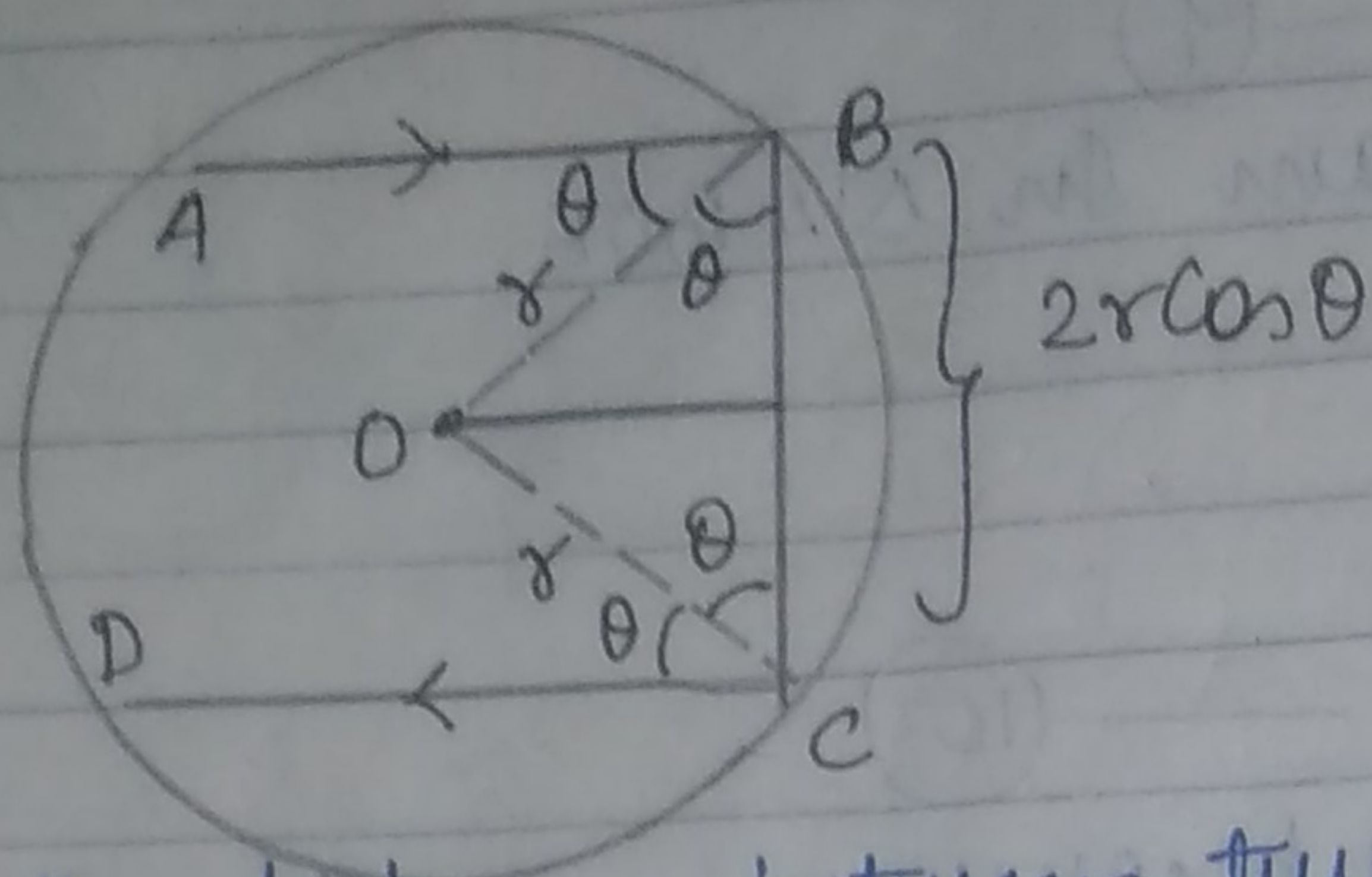
$$\boxed{T = \frac{\lambda}{c}}$$

Putting this value of 'T' in eq (11)

$$\boxed{d\lambda = 2v \frac{\lambda}{c} \cos \theta} \text{ --- (12)}$$



Now when the radiation is incident inside the spherical enclosure then it suffers multiple reflections and each reflected ray will make an angle ' $\theta$ ' with the normal as shown below:-



Therefore the distance between two consecutive reflections is  $2r \cos \theta$  where  $r$  is the radius of the spherical enclosure.

The time taken by the wave between two consecutive reflections

$$= \frac{2r \cos \theta}{c}$$

Therefore, the no. of reflection per second

$$= \frac{c}{2r \cos \theta}$$

Now, the no. of reflection in time  $dt$  is equal to

$$= \frac{c}{2r \cos \theta} \cdot dt \quad \text{--- (13)}$$

Due to the diffused radiations the radius of the spherical enclosure changes by ' $dr$ ' in time ' $dt$ '

$$V = \frac{dr}{dt}$$

$$dt = \frac{dr}{V}$$

Putting this value of  $dt$  in eq (13)

No. of reflection in time ' $dt$ ' is equal to

$$= \frac{c}{2r \cos \theta} \cdot \frac{dr}{V}$$



Now, the change in wavelength in time  $dt$  is equal to change in wavelength at one reflection  $\times$  No. of reflection per second  $\times dt$

$$d\lambda = \frac{c}{2r \cos \theta} \times \frac{2\lambda \cos \theta}{c} \times \frac{dr}{r}$$

$$d\lambda = \lambda \frac{dr}{r}$$

$$\frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} = \frac{dr}{r}$$

Integrating both the sides:-

$$\log \lambda = \log r + \log k$$

$$\log \lambda - \log r = \log k$$

$$\log \frac{\lambda}{r} = \log k$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\lambda}{r} = k = \text{constant}} \quad \text{--- (14)}$$

We know that volume of the sphere

$$V = \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3$$

Putting this value of  $V$  in eq (6)

$$\left( \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3 \right)^{1/3} \cdot T = \text{constant}$$

$$\boxed{r \cdot T = \text{constant}} \quad \text{--- (15)}$$

From the eq (14)

$$r = \frac{\lambda}{\text{const}}$$



Putting this value of  $r$  in eq (15)

$$\frac{\lambda}{\text{constant}} \cdot T_2 = \text{constant}$$

$$\boxed{\lambda T_2 = \text{constant}}$$

which is the required Wein's Displacement law  
which is derived from adiabatically.