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OPTICS

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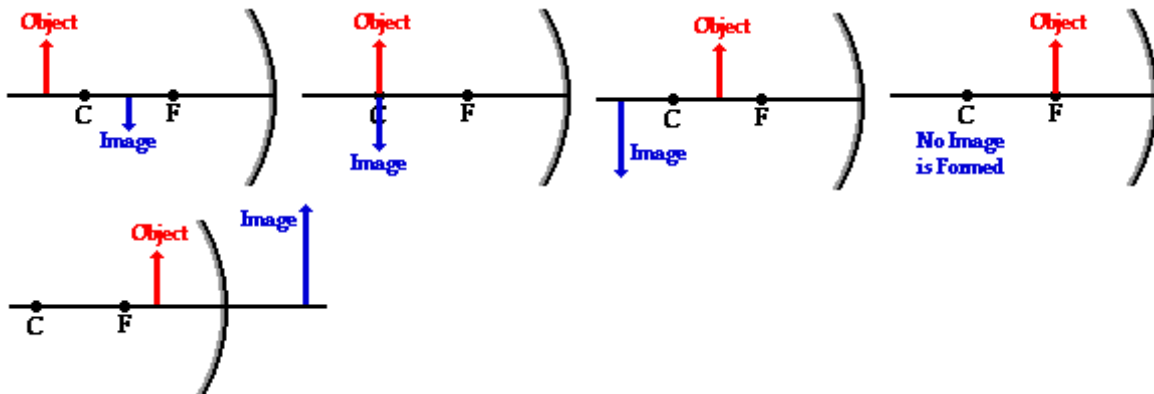
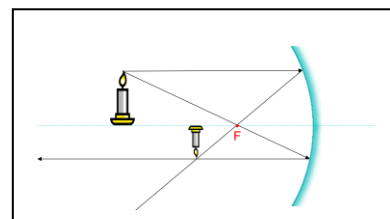
STUDY PART

PLANE MIRRORS

- Sight Line
- Angle of incidence = Angle of reflection (careful: measure angle with respect to the normal); $\theta_i = \theta_r$
- Image distance = Object distance; $d_i = d_o$
- Image is virtual and upright.
- Ray diagram to construct image.

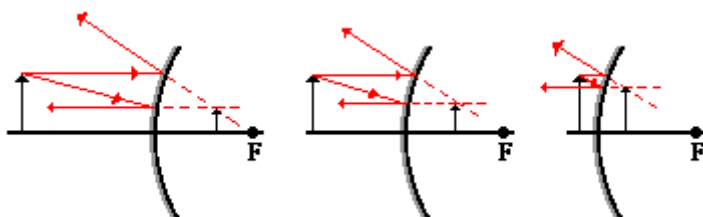
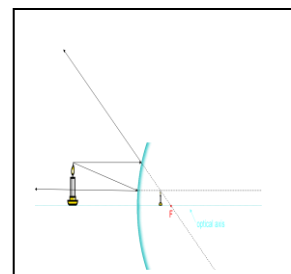
CONCAVE MIRRORS

- Radius of mirror r , focal length = $\frac{r}{2}$
- Focal point in front of mirror, **focal length positive.**
- Use principal rays to construct image:
- Image can be real or virtual, enlarged or reduced, inverted or upright, depending on object location.



CONVEX MIRRORS

- Radius of mirror r , focal length = $\frac{r}{2}$
- Focal point behind mirror, **focal length negative.**
- Use principal rays to construct image:
- Image is always virtual, reduced and upright.



APPLICATIONS OF MIRRORS

Know some off the basic applications of concave, convex and plane mirrors.

MIRROR (LENS MAKER) EQUATION

$$\frac{1}{d_i} + \frac{1}{d_o} = \frac{1}{f}$$

Sign convention: Everything that's in front of mirror has positive sign, everything that's behind the mirror has negative sign.

Example: Object is between a concave mirror and its focal point ($d_o < f$) therefore

$$\frac{1}{d_i} = \frac{1}{f} - \frac{1}{d_o} < 0$$

This means that image is behind the mirror (and therefore virtual).

MAGNIFICATION EQUATION

$$m = \frac{h_i}{h_o} = -\frac{d_i}{d_o}$$

Note the minus sign, which is chosen such that

$$m \begin{cases} + \rightarrow \text{image upright} \\ - \rightarrow \text{image inverted} \end{cases}$$

Example: An 6cm tall object that is 3cm in front of a mirror produces an image that is 6cm behind the mirror.

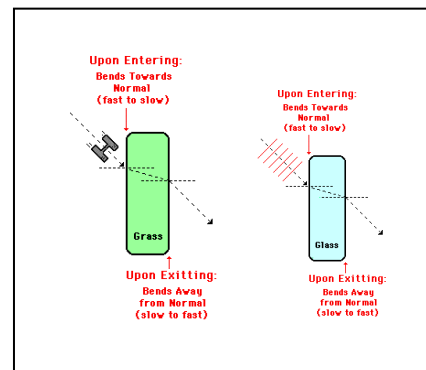
How tall ist the image, is it inverted or upright?

Since image is behind the mirror, $d_i = -6cm$, therefore $m = -\frac{-6}{3} = 2$

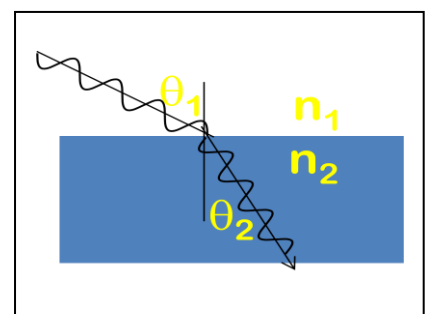
Since $m > 0$, image is upright and the image height is $h_i = 2h_o = 12cm$

REFRACTION

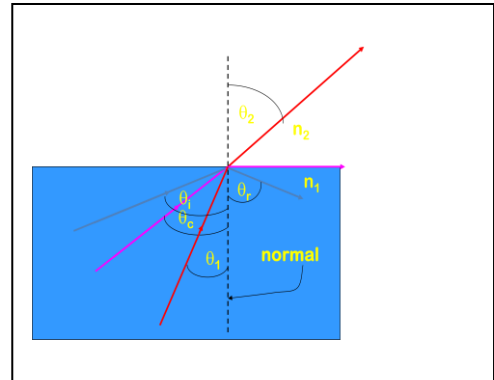
- Refractive index $n = \frac{v}{c}$
(c =speed of light in vaccum, v = speed of light in medium $<c$)



- Snell's law: $n_1 \cdot \sin(\theta_1) = n_2 \cdot \sin(\theta_2)$

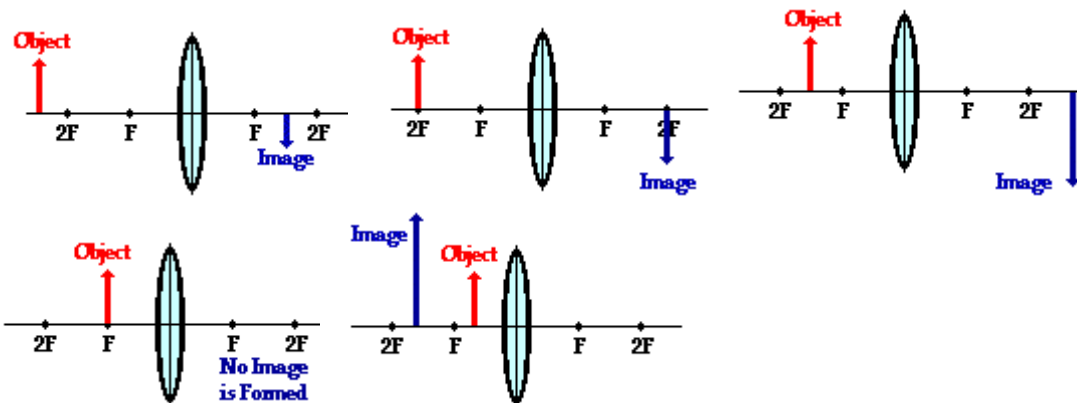
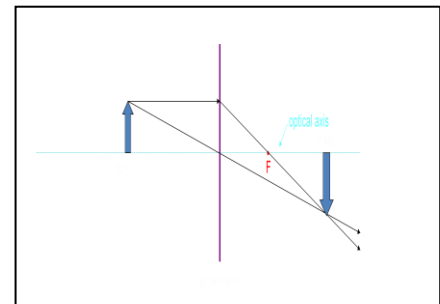


- Total internal reflection: $\theta_1 = \sin^{-1}(n_2/n_1)$
 - E.g. Fiber cable



CONVEX (CONVERGING) LENSE

- What is it, how is it built, index of refraction
- Ray diagram to produce image.
- Image can be real or virtual, enlarged or reduced, inverted or upright, depending on object location.
- Applications of convex lenses
 - Projector, camera, magnifying glass (where ist the object placed in each of these appliactions?)
- Positive focal length ($f > 0$)



LINKS

<http://www.schulphysik.de/java/physlet/applets/optik1.html> (Applet [Java] to construct any kind of mirrors and lenses)

SOURCES

- Parts are copied 1:1 from the test preparation sheet from gsw