



**VISUAL
PHYSICS**

SHORT NOTES

CHAPTER

Reflection

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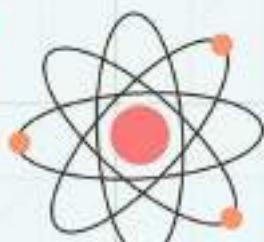
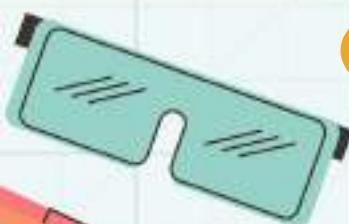


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$$H-C = C-H$$



REFLECTION → bouncing back

Normal : perpendicular to the surface

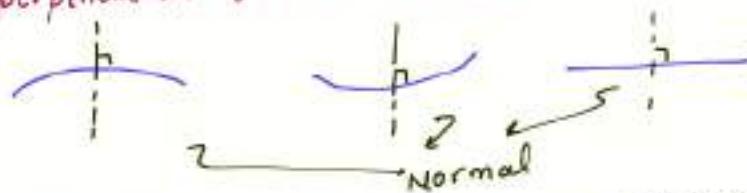
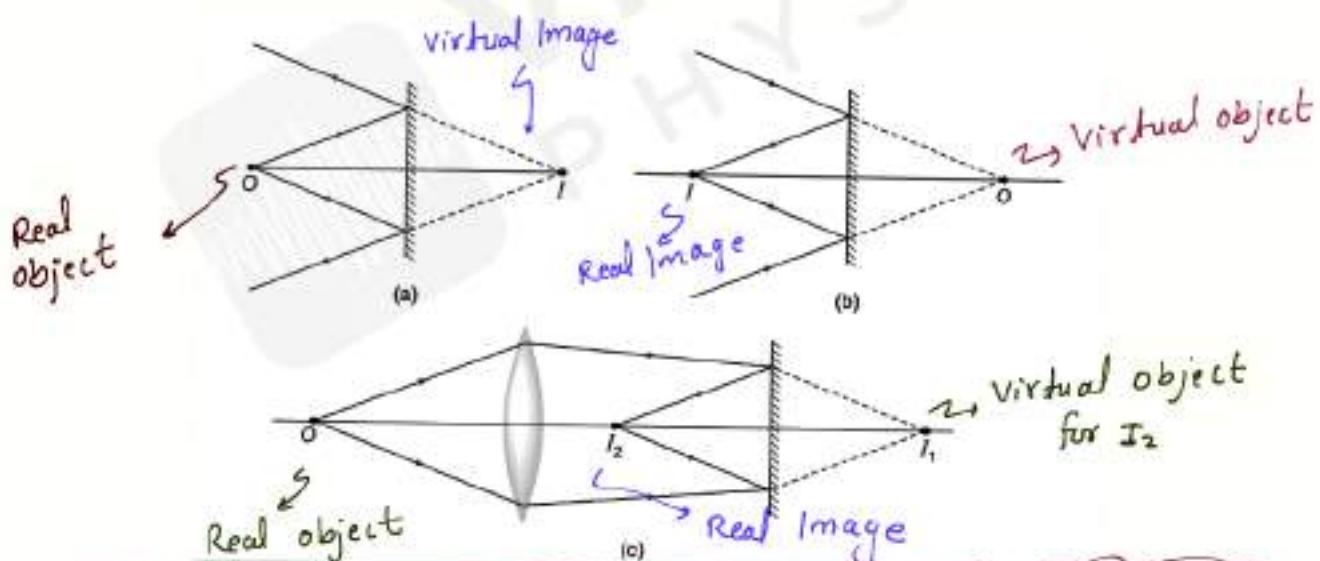


Image is formed → Reflection [minimum two rays are required by image formation]
or → Refraction

Real object, virtual object → real image, virtual image

- * The point where the rays meet (or appear to meet) before refraction or reflection is called object
- * The point where the rays meet (or appear to meet) after refraction or reflection is called image
- if rays actually meet → Real object, Real image
- if rays appear to meet → virtual object, virtual image



(Virtual Images cannot be taken on screen, but can be seen by eye)

Law of Reflection:

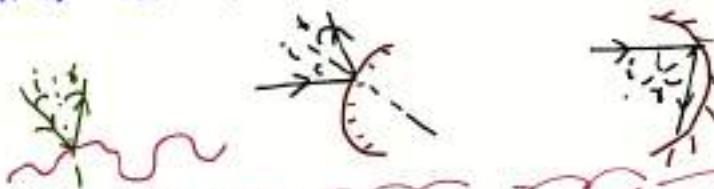


- $L_1 = L_2$
- Incident ray, reflected ray and normal lie on the same plane.

* Important points in Reflection laws:

(i) $\angle i = \angle r$ applied for any type of surface

(ii) If incident ray, reflected ray & normal are represented in form of vector, then these three should be coplanar



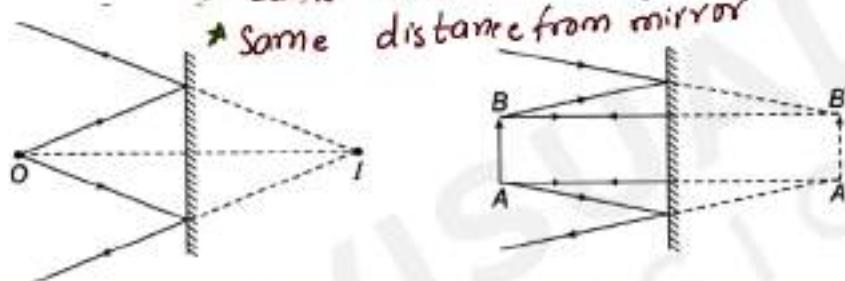
{Reflection from a plane surface (plane mirror)}

→ Real object : * Virtual Image

* Erect Image

* Same Size

* Same distance from mirror



Sign Convention:

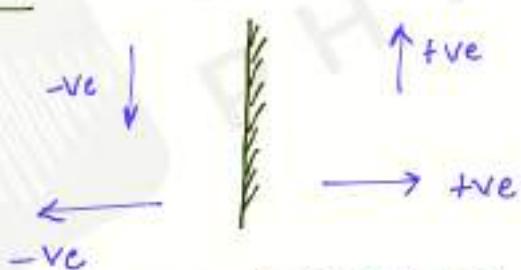
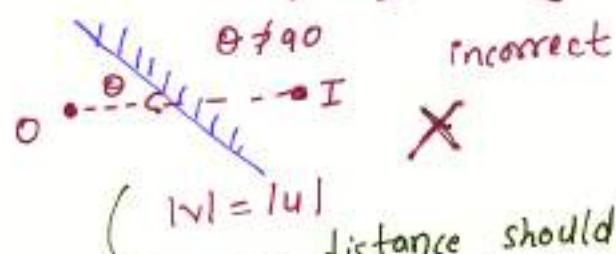
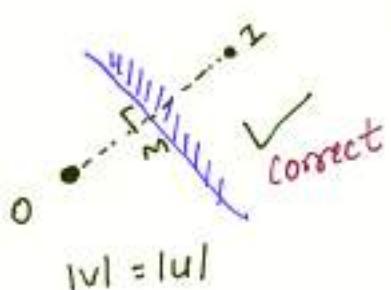


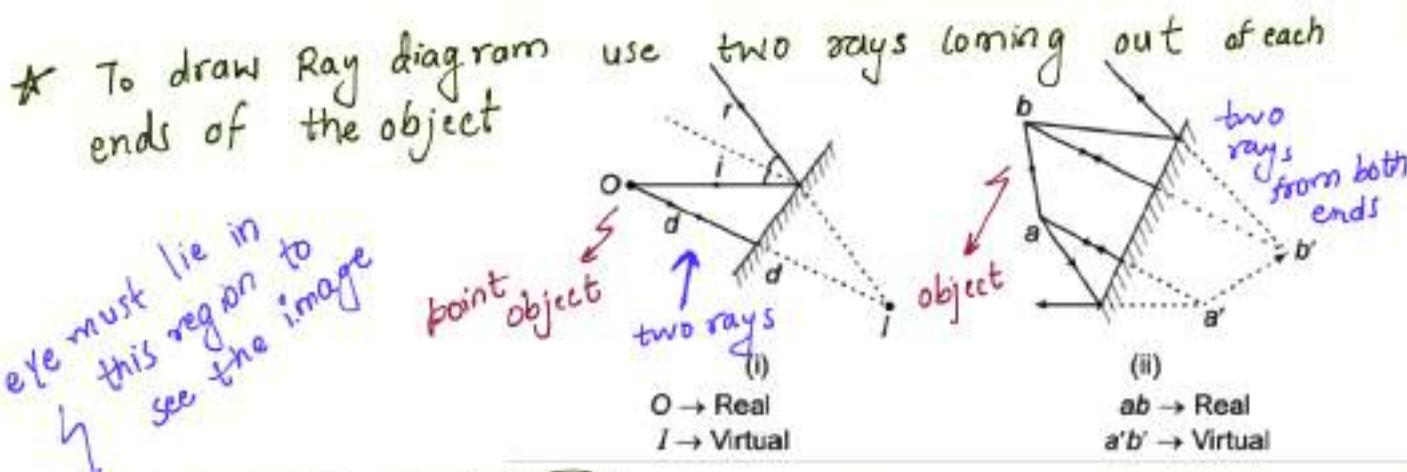
Image distance = v & object distance = u

* v & u are perpendicular distance from the mirror

$$v = -u \rightarrow \text{according to sign convention}$$

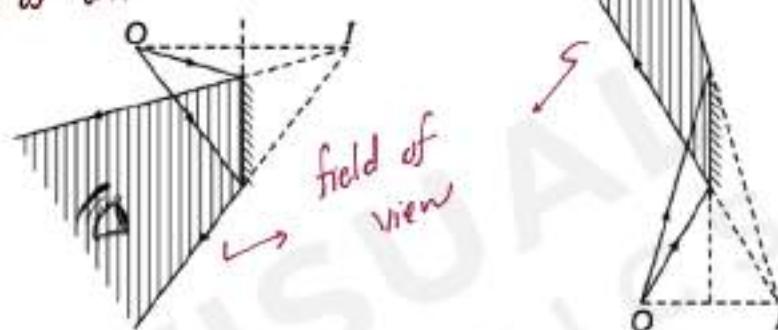
$$\text{or } |v| = |u|$$



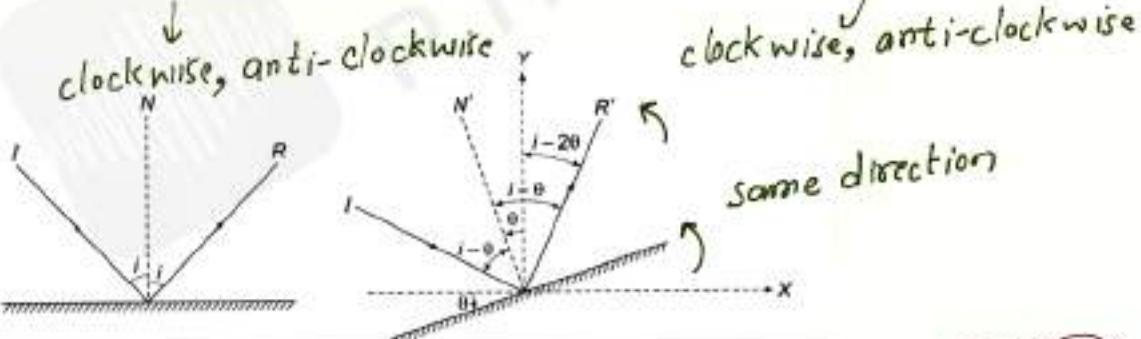


* Field of view of an object } Region between the extreme Reflected rays

↳ it depends on the location of object in front of the mirror

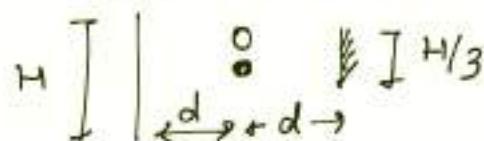


* If mirror rotates by θ , reflected ray rotates 2θ in same direction



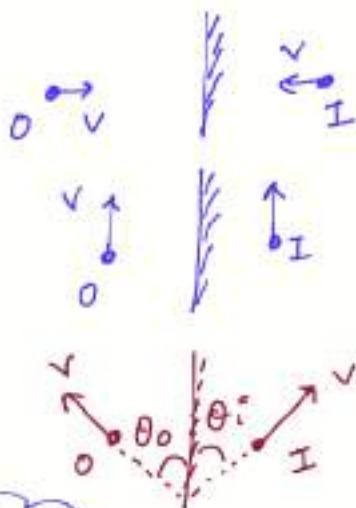
* H ↳ Height of object $\Rightarrow \frac{H}{2}$ ↳ length of mirror to see full image

* $H = \text{Height of wall}$ if observe is exactly at midway between wall & mirror
 $\frac{H}{3} = \text{length of mirror}$



* Object & Image velocity

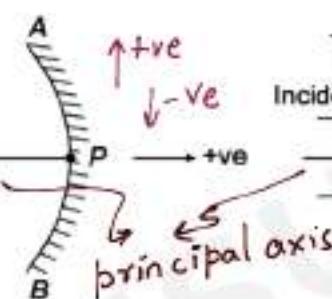
- Image speed = object speed
- $\theta_i = \theta_o$ with mirror
- velocities component along mirror are equal
- velocities component perpendicular to mirror are equal & opposite



{ Reflection from spherical Surface }

$R \rightarrow$ Radius of curvature
 $= CP$

Incident light



(a) Concave mirror

C → Centre of curvature

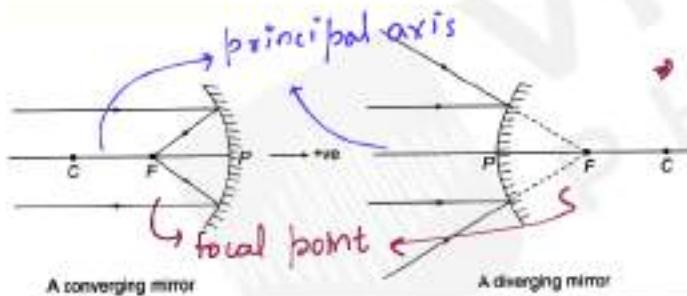
P → Pole

+ve
-ve

-ve

+ve

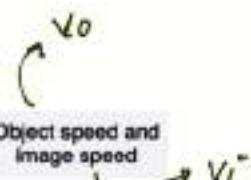
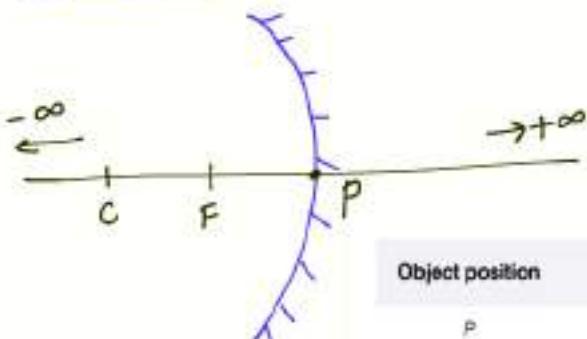
(b) Convex mirror



$$PF = f = R/2$$

* paraxial rays: Rays close to principal axis and nearly parallel to it.

Concave mirror:



Object position	Image position	Image nature	Object speed and Image speed
P	P	-	-
F	$\pm\infty$	-	-
C	C	Real, inverted and same size	$v_i = v_o$
Between P and F	Between F and $+\infty$	Virtual, erect and magnified	$v_i > v_o$
Between F and C	Between $-\infty$ and C	Real, inverted and magnified	$v_i > v_o$
Between C and $-\infty$	Between C and F	Real, inverted and diminished	$v_o > v_i$

Convex mirror:

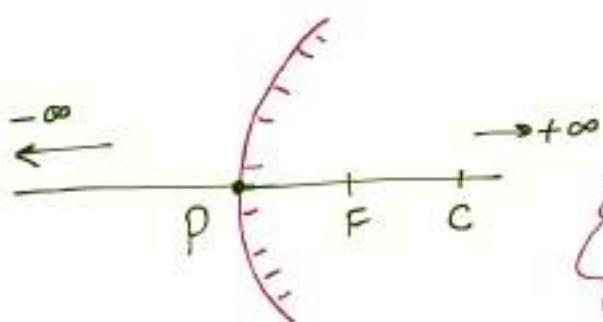
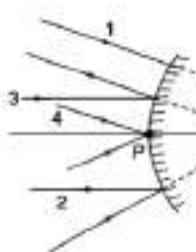
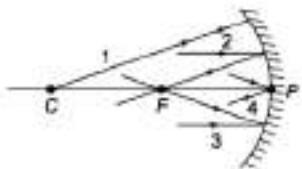


Image formed by convex mirror is always virtual, erect & diminished no matter where the object is

Ray diagrams:



Ray 1: A ray through C

Ray 2: A ray parallel to principal axis

Ray 3: Ray passing through focal length

Ray 4: A ray striking pole P.

using these 4 rays one can draw any ray diagrams

Image formation in Convex Mirror

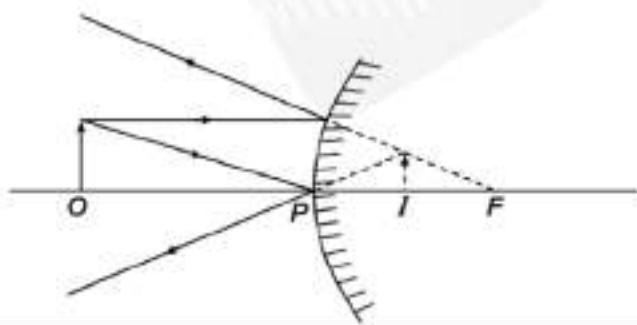
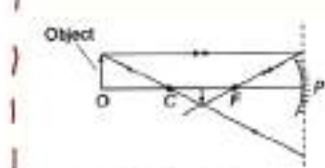
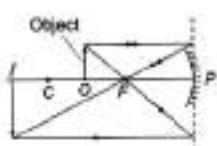


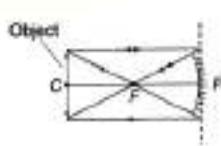
Image formation in Concave mirror



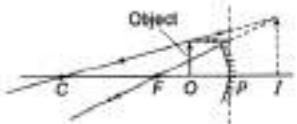
(a) Object beyond C
Image between C and F, real, inverted, diminished



(c) Object between C and F
Image beyond C, real inverted, magnified

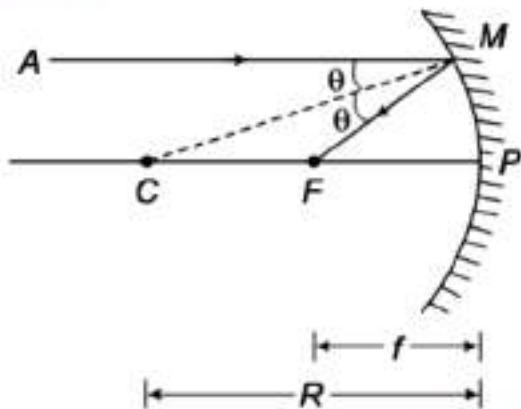


(b) Object at C
Image at C, real, inverted, same size



(d) Object between F and P
Image behind mirror, virtual upright, magnified

Relation between f and R :



$$\angle i = \angle r \quad (\text{Law of reflection})$$

$$\angle AMC = \angle CMF = \theta$$

$$\angle AMC = \angle MCF \quad (\text{alternate angles})$$

$$\angle CMF = \angle MCF$$

$\Rightarrow \triangle FCM$ is isosceles [$FC = FM$]

The rays are paraxial and so M is very close to P .

$$FM \approx FP$$

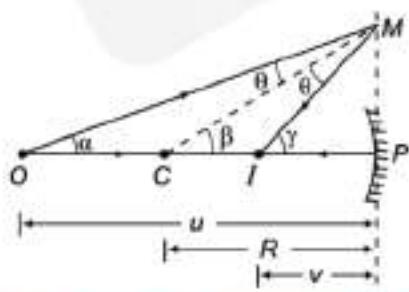
$$\therefore FC = FP$$

$$FP = \frac{1}{2} CP$$

$$f = \frac{R}{2}$$

{ Mirror formula }

$$\alpha \approx \tan \alpha = \frac{MP}{OP}, \beta = \frac{MP}{CP}, \gamma = \frac{MP}{IP}$$



$$\Delta CMO, \beta = \alpha + \theta \quad (\text{exterior angle})$$

$$\theta = \beta - \alpha \quad (i)$$

$$\Delta CMI, \gamma = \beta + \theta$$

$$\theta = \gamma - \beta \quad (ii)$$

from (i) & (ii)

$$2\beta = \gamma + \alpha \quad (iii)$$

putting values of $\beta, \gamma \& \alpha$

$$\frac{2}{CP} = \frac{1}{IP} + \frac{1}{OP}$$



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from (i) & (ii)

$$2\beta = \gamma - \alpha$$

$$\frac{2}{CP} = \frac{1}{IP} - \frac{1}{OP}$$

$$\text{Now, } CP = -R, IP = -v \times OP = -u, CP = +R, IP = +v, OP = -u$$

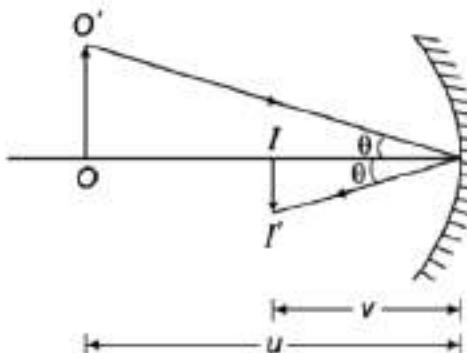
$$\frac{2}{R} = \frac{1}{v} + \frac{1}{u}$$

$\left\{ \frac{1}{v} + \frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{f} \right\}$

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Magnification



$$m = \frac{\text{Height of image}}{\text{Height of object}} = \frac{II'}{O'O}$$

as II' is negative {similar triangles}

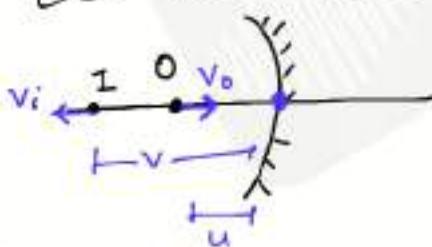
$$= -\frac{IP}{OP}$$

$$\therefore IP = -v \text{ & } OP = -u$$

$$m = -\frac{v}{u}$$

Image velocity

Along principal axis



$$\frac{1}{v} + \frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{f}$$

$$-v^{-2} \frac{dv}{dt} - u^{-2} \frac{du}{dt} = 0$$

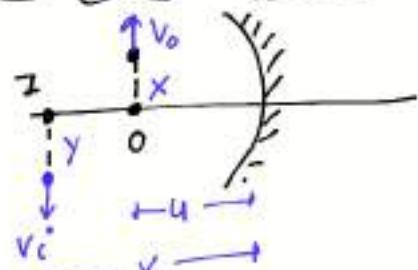
object speed

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = -\left(\frac{v^2}{u^2}\right) \frac{du}{dt}$$

$$m^2 = \frac{v^2}{u^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow v_i = -m^2 v_o$$

Along perpendicular to principal axis



as $u \& v = \text{constant}$

$$m = \frac{I}{O} = \frac{y}{x}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = m \frac{dx}{dt}$$

$$\boxed{v_i = m v_o}$$