Light-Reflection and Refraction



CHAPTER 10

ANSWERS

1. Here,
$$m = 2$$
, $h_1 = 1$ m, $h_2 = ?$
As $m = \frac{h_2}{h_1}$ or $h_2 = m h_1 = 2 \times 1 = 2$ m.

OR

Silver metal is the best reflector of light.

2. According to law of reflection, ray is making 30° with the mirror. Hence angle of incidence = $90^{\circ} - 30^{\circ} = 60^{\circ}$ angle of incidence = angle of reflection = 60° .

3. (a)

4. (b) : In torches, searchlights and headlights of vehicles, the bulb is placed very near to the focus of the reflector to get powerful parallel beams of light.

5. (d) : A convex mirror always forms a virtual, erect and diminished image.

6. For concave lens
$$\frac{1}{v} - \frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{f}$$

 $\Rightarrow \frac{u}{v} - 1 = \frac{u}{f} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{n} - 1\right) = \frac{u}{f} \therefore u = \left(\frac{1 - n}{n}\right) f$
OR
 $\frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{f} \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{15} + \frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{5}$
 $\left[\because f = \frac{R}{2} i.e. f = 5 \text{ cm}\right]$

 \therefore $v = \frac{15}{4}$ cm = 3.75 cm (behind the mirror).

7. (a)

8. Positive value of the magnification indicates that image is virtual and erect and magnified.

Since the image is magnified, the mirror is concave.

9. (c) : When object is placed between the focus and centre of curvature of a concave mirror, a real and inverted image larger than the actual object is formed.

OR

(a) : As the emergent rays are parallel to the incident rays and shifted sidewards, therefore, a rectangular glass slab can be inside the box.

10. Distance between the principal focus and the optical centre is known as the focal length of the lens.

11. (c) : When light is refracted/reflected from a surface, then frequency of light does not change because it depends on the source of light.

OR

(c) : A convex lens produces an erect, enlarged image if the object lies between focus and pole *i.e.*, u < f. Hence, u = -15 cm.



A ray passing through centre of curvature of a concave mirror gets reflected along the same path because it falls along normal to the surface of mirror, and we know that any ray passing through normal reflects along the same path.

13.
$$P = \frac{100}{f} = \frac{100}{20} = 5 \text{ D}$$

14. (a) : Optical density and mass density are not related to each other. Mass density is mass per unit volume. It is not possible that mass density of an optically denser medium may be less than that of an optically rarer medium (optical density is the ratio of the speed of light in two media). *e.g.*, turpentine and water. Mass density of turpentine is less than that of water but its optical density is higher.

15. (d)

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17. (i) (a) : When, a ray of light travels from air to glass, it bends towards the normal.

(ii) (c) : No bending of light occurs when light is incident normally or perpendicularly on a boundary of two media since angle of incidence and angle of refraction both are zero.

(iii) (c) : When light goes from one medium to other medium, its frequency does not change.

(iv) (a) : The speed to light increases when light passes from glass to water as water is optically rarer medium.

(v) (a) : The bottom of a pool of water appears to be less deep than it actually is due to refraction.

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When the object is placed at the centre of curvature of concave mirror, the image formed is real, inverted and of the same size as that of the object.

(ii) (d) : The image is erect in a plane mirror and also in a convex mirror, for all positions of the object.

(iii) (c) : As the image of head is bigger, the upper portion of magic mirror is concave. The middle portion of the image is of same size, so, middle portion of magic mirror is plane. Now, the image of legs looks smaller, therefore, the lower portion of magic mirror is convex.

(iv) (b)

(v) (c)

19. (i) (c) : Convex lens is used as magnifying glass. For better performance its focal length should be small.

(ii) (a)

(iii) (c)

(iv) (a) : A aperture is the area of the lens available for refraction.

(v) (a) : Water droplets behave like a convex lens only as refraction takes place on outer surface.

20. (i) (c) : No change. The focal length of a concave mirror does not depend on the nature of medium.

(ii) (a) : Two concave mirror with smaller aperture forms the sharper image.

(iii) (c) : As R is negative for a concave mirror,

so
$$f = \frac{R}{2} = \frac{-15}{2} = -7.5$$
 cm

(iv) (c): Given, *R* = +32 cm

$$\therefore f = \frac{R}{2} = \frac{32}{2} = +16 \text{ cm}$$

(v) (d):
$$\frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{f} \implies \frac{-1}{20} + \frac{1}{15} = \frac{1}{f}$$

= $\frac{-3+4}{60} = \frac{1}{f} \implies f = 60 \text{ cm}$

The mirror is convex.



A light ray incident on a rectangular glass slab immersed in any medium emerges parallel to itself because the extent of bending of the ray of light at the opposite parallel faces *AB* (medium-glass interface) and *CD* (glass-medium interface) of the rectangular glass slab is equal and opposite.

OR

Distance of the object from the pole (u) = -10 cm

Distance of the image from the pole (v) = ?

[To be calculated)

Focal length of convex mirror (f) = +15 cm

[f for the convex mirror is positive]

Applying,
$$\frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{f} \implies \frac{1}{-10} + \frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{15}$$

 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{15} + \frac{1}{10} = \frac{2+3}{30} = \frac{5}{30} \implies \frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{6}$
 $\therefore v = +6 \text{ cm}$

Thus, the image is formed at a distance of 6 cm behind the convex mirror.

Nature : Image is virtual, erect and diminished.

22. Given that : $\mu_g = 1.52$, $\mu_r = 1.71$, $v_g = 2 \times 10^8$ m/s

Absolute refractive index of a medium, $\mu_m = \frac{c}{v}$ where, *c* is the speed of light in vacuum and *v* is the speed of light in medium.

(a)
$$\therefore \mu_g = \frac{c}{v_g}$$

or $c = \mu_g \times v_g = 1.52 \times 2 \times 10^8 = 3.04 \times 10^8$ m/s

(b) As,
$$\mu_{gr} = \frac{\mu_g}{\mu_r} = \frac{v_r}{v_g}$$

 $\therefore \quad \frac{1.52}{1.71} = \frac{v_r}{2 \times 10^8} \text{ or } v_r = 0.89 \times 2 \times 10^8$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 $v_r = 1.78 \times 10^8$ m/s





(a)
$$\mu_{ag} = \frac{c_{air}}{v_{glass}}$$

 $\therefore v_{glass} = \frac{c_{air}}{\mu_{ag}} = \frac{3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}}{1.5} = 2 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}.$

(b) Frequency of light does not change with change in optical medium, hence, remains the same.

- (c) $\frac{\text{Speed of light in air}}{\text{Speed of light in glass}} = \frac{\text{Wavelength of light in air}}{\text{Wavelength of light in glass}}$ $\frac{3 \times 10^8 \text{m/s}}{2 \times 10^8 \text{m/s}} = \frac{500 \text{ nm}}{\text{Wavelength of light in glass}}$
- :. Wavelength of light in glass = $\frac{500 \times 2}{3}$ = 333.3 nm.
- 24. Laws of refraction of light :

(i) The incident ray, the refracted ray and the normal to the interface of two transparent media at the point of incidence, all lie in the same plane.

(ii) The ratio of sine of angle of incidence to the sine of the angle of refraction is constant, for the light of a given colour and for the given pair of media.

This law is also known as Snell's law of refraction.

 $\frac{\sin i}{\sin r} = \text{constant},$

where i is the angle of incidence and r is the angle of refraction.

This constant value is called refractive index of the second medium with respect to the first when the light travels from first medium to second medium.

$$\Rightarrow$$
 constant = $\mu_{21} = \frac{v_1}{v_2}$ \therefore $\frac{\sin i}{\sin r} = \frac{v_1}{v_2}$

If μ is the absolute refractive index of the medium, *c* is the velocity of light in vacuum and *v* is the speed of light in a given medium, then $\mu = c/v$.

25. Principle of reversibility of light states that the light will follow exactly the same path if the direction is reversed. Using Snell's law of refraction,



So, *PQ* is parallel to *O'H*.

So, we can conclude that incident ray is parallel to the emergent ray.

26.
$$P = P_1 + P_2 = 12.5 - 2.5 = 10 \text{ D}$$

 $f = \frac{1}{P} = \frac{1}{10} = 0.1 \text{ m} = 10 \text{ cm}$
 $u = -15 \text{ cm}$
 $\frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{f} + \frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{10} - \frac{1}{15}$
 $v = +30 \text{ cm}$
 $m = \frac{v}{u} = \frac{30}{15} = -2$

Image formed is real, inverted and magnified.

27. (a) If the image formed by a spherical mirror is always erect and diminished then it is convex mirror.



(b) Thick convex lens will have shorter focal length than that of thin convex lens.



Equivalent focal length of the combination



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 $\frac{1}{f_{eq}} = \frac{1}{f_1} + \frac{1}{f_2} \implies \frac{1}{f_{eq}} = \frac{1}{30} + \frac{1}{-20} = \frac{2-3}{60}$ $f_{eq} = -60 \text{ cm}$ System will behave as a diverging lens of focal length 60 cm. **28.** Given, f = -30 cm, v = -40 cm, u = ?

Using $\frac{1}{v} + \frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{f} \implies \frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{f} - \frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{-30} - \frac{1}{-40} = \frac{-4+3}{120}$

 \Rightarrow u = -120 cm

: Object is placed at 120 cm from the mirror.

Also magnification,
$$m = \frac{h'}{h} = \frac{-v}{u}$$

 $\Rightarrow h' = \frac{-(-40)}{-120} \times 6 = -2 \text{ cm}$

 \therefore The size of the image is 2 cm.

29. Given,
$$h' = \frac{1}{3}h$$
, $u = -9$ cm

Magnification, $m = \frac{h}{h} = \frac{v}{u}$

$$\Rightarrow v = \frac{h'}{h} \times u = \frac{-\frac{1}{3}h}{h} \times (-9) = 3 \text{ cm}$$

Using lens formula, $\frac{1}{v} - \frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{f}$

- $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{-9} = \frac{3+1}{9} \Rightarrow f = 2.25 \text{ cm}$
- \therefore Focal length of the convex lens = 2.25 cm

30. Power is the degree of convergence or divergence of light rays achieved by a lens.

It is defined as the reciprocal of its focal length.

i.e., $P = \frac{1}{2}$

Positive sign (+) of power indicates that lens is convex and negative sign (–) of power indicates that lens is concave.

The SI unit of power is dioptre. Thus, 1 dioptre is the power of lens whose focal length is 1 metre. 1 $D = 1 \text{ m}^{-1}$ Given that :

Focal length of lens A, $f_A = +40$ cm

Focal length of lens *B*, $f_B = -20$ cm

Lens *A* is converging and lens *B* is diverging.

Power of lens
$$A = \frac{100}{f_A(\text{in cm})} = \frac{100}{40} = +2.5 \text{ D}$$

Power of lens $B = \frac{100}{f_B(\text{in cm})} = \frac{100}{-20} = -5 \text{ D}$

Using lens formula,

$$\frac{1}{v} - \frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{f} \text{ or } \frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{f} + \frac{1}{u}$$
$$\frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{-30} - \frac{1}{60} = -\frac{3}{60} \implies v = -20 \text{ cm}$$

(b) (i) The image is virtual in nature.

(ii) The image is formed at a distance of 20 cm on the left from the concave lens.

(iii) Magnification,
$$m = \frac{v}{u}$$

Here, $v = -20$ cm; $u = -60$ cm, So, $m = \frac{20}{60} = \frac{1}{3} = +0.3$
Since value of
magnification is less
than 1, therefore, the
image is diminished.
(iv) The plus sign
for the magnification
shows that the image
is erect.

32. (a) Given, *h* = 5 cm, *f* = 20 cm, *u* = -30 cm

Using lens formula, $\frac{1}{v} - \frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{f}$

$$\frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{t} = \frac{1}{-30} + \frac{1}{20} = \frac{-2+3}{60} = \frac{1}{60} \implies v = 60 \text{ cm}$$

Now, magnification, $m = \frac{n}{h} = \frac{1}{u}$

$$\Rightarrow h' = \frac{v}{u} \times h = \frac{60}{-30} \times 5 = -10 \text{ cm}$$

Hence, image of size 10 cm, which is real, inverted and magnified, is formed at 60 cm from the lens.



33. For lenses, we follow sign convention, similar to one used for spherical mirrors. We apply the rules for signs of distances, except that all measurements are taken from the optical centre of the lens.

Sign Convention for Reflection by Spherical Mirrors : While dealing with the reflection of light by spherical mirrors, we shall follow a set of sign conventions called the New Cartesian Sign Convention. The conventions are as follows:

(i) The object is always placed to the left of the mirror. This implies that the light from the object falls on the mirror from the left-hand side.

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(ii) All distances parallel to the principal axis are measured from the pole of the mirror.

(iii) All the distances measured to the right of the origin (along + x-axis) are taken as positive while those measured to the left of the origin (along - x-axis) are taken as negative.

(iv) Distances measured perpendicular to and above the principal axis (along + y-axis) are taken as positive.

(v) Distances measured perpendicular to and below the principal axis (along-y-axis) are taken as negative.



$$\therefore -3 = \frac{v}{-16}$$
 or $v = 48$ cm

Lens formula : $\frac{1}{y} - \frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{f}$

 $\therefore \quad \frac{1}{48} - \frac{1}{-16} = \frac{1}{f} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1+3}{48} = \frac{1}{f} \implies \frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{12} \text{ or } f = 12 \text{ cm}$

Spherical lens is convex lens or converging lens of focal length 12 cm.

34. Given : Focal length (f) = -40 cm

Magnification (m) = 3

Distance of the object (u) = ?

Since the nature of the image so formed is not specified, so two cases arise here.

Formula to be used : $\frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{f}$

Since only f and m are given, therefore, we cannot use this formula directly and instead first use the formula,

$$m = \frac{v}{u} \implies 3 = \frac{v}{u} \implies v = 3u$$

Case I : When image formed is real, v = +3 u cm Substituting the given values, we get

$$\frac{1}{3u} + \frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{-40} \implies \frac{1+3}{3u} = \frac{1}{-40} \implies \frac{3u}{4} = -40$$

 $\therefore \quad u = -53.33 \text{ cm}$

Case II : When image formed is virtual, v = -3 u cm Substituting the given values, we get

$$-\frac{1}{3u} + \frac{1}{u} = -\frac{1}{40} \implies \frac{-1+3}{3u} = -\frac{1}{40}$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{2}{3u} = -\frac{1}{40} \Rightarrow u = \frac{-80}{3}$$

∴ *u* = −26.67 cm

Hence, if the object is held at a distance of 53.33 cm, a real image thrice in size is obtained. Also, a virtual image of thrice the size is obtained if the distance of the object is 26.67 cm.

OR

To calculate position of the image

$$\frac{h_i}{h_0} = \frac{-v}{u} \quad \begin{cases} h_i = -1.5, \text{ because real image is inverted} \\ u = -15, \text{ because } u \text{ is always negative} \end{cases}$$

:
$$v = \frac{1.5}{1} \times -15 = -22.5 \text{ cm}$$

Thus, the image is formed 22.5 cm in front of the concave mirror.

To calculate the focal length of the mirror

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{v} \begin{cases} u = -15 \text{ cm as } u \text{ is always negative} \\ v = -22 \cdot 5 \text{ cm as calculated above} \end{cases}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{-15} + \frac{1}{-22 \cdot 5} = \frac{-5}{45} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{f} = -\frac{1}{9}$$
$$\therefore f = -9 \text{ cm}$$

Thus, the focal length of the concave mirror is -9 cm.

35. Consider a rectangular glass slab *PQRS* placed in air. When a ray of light is incident on surface *PQ* (air-glass interface) making angle *i* with normal, it bends towards the normal. The refracted ray makes angle *r* with normal. Now, this refracted ray falls on surface *RS* (glass-air interface) and emergent ray bends away from the normal.

At air-glass interface, the refracted ray bends towards normal as it enters from rarer to denser medium and it bends away from normal at glass-air interface because light ray passes from denser to rarer medium.



As can be seen that at point X and X', the incident ray, the

refracted ray and the normal all lie in the same plane. Also, refractive index of glass with respect to air,

$$\mu_{ga} = \frac{\sin i}{\sin r}$$

and refractive index of air with respect to glass,

$$\mu_{ag} = \frac{\sin r}{\sin i}$$
 or $\mu_{ga} = \frac{1}{\mu_{ag}}$

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Here,
$$u = -16$$
 cm and $f = 12$ cm.
We have $\frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{f}$ or $\frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{f}$
 $= \frac{1}{-16}$ cm $+ \frac{1}{12}$ cm $= \frac{1}{48}$ cm

or v = +48 cm.

The image if formed 48 cm from the lens on the left side of the lens. The image is, therefore, real.

The magnification is
$$m = \frac{v}{u} = \frac{48 \text{ cm}}{-16 \text{ cm}} = -3$$
.
or $\frac{h_i}{h_0} = -3$ or $h_i = -3h_0 = -3 \times 2 \text{ cm} = -6 \text{ cm}$.

The image is inverted and is 6 cm in size. So an inverted and real image of size 6 cm is formed at a distance 48 cm from the lens.



Differences between concave and convex mirrors

	Concave mirror	Convex mirror
(i)	Its focus is situated in front of the mirror.	Its focus is situated behind the mirror.
(ii)	Its radius of curvature and the focal length are negative.	Its radius of curvature and focal length are positive.
(iii)	The incident rays are reflected from its concave surface.	The incident rays are reflected from its convex surface.
(iv)	Its convex side is polished.	Its concave side is polished.

(v)	The image distance for this may be positive or negative because the real image is formed in front of the mirror and virtual image is formed behind the mirror.	The image distance is always positive.			
(vi)	The image formed by it may be erect, inverted magnified or smaller.	The image formed by it is erect and smaller.			
(vii)	Its field of view is narrow.	Its field of view is broad.			
(viii)	Concave mirrors are used as make-up mirrors, as reflectors, for medical purposes in light houses in seas, in ophthalmoscope, in torch for hunting purpose.	Convex mirrors are used in night lamps on roads and as side mirrors in cars to view the vehicles behind.			
OR					

(a) Distance between the principal focus and the optical centre is known as the focal length of the lens.

(b) Given, f = -30 cm, v = -15 cm, h = 6 cm Now, from lens formula,

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