

GEOMETRICAL OPTICS

CONCEPT MAP

LIGHT

Light rays and reflection

Ray diagrams

Light rays and refraction

**Two laws of reflection:**  
 The incident ray, reflected ray and the normal at the point of incidence all lie in the same plane  
 (ii)  $i = r$

**Characteristics of an image formed by a plane mirror:**

- Same size as object
- Inverted front-to-back
- Upright
- Virtual
- As far behind the mirror as the object is in front of the mirror

**Some applications of plane mirrors:**

- Optical testing
- Periscope
- Blind corner
- Instrument scales

**Refractive index  $n$**  is defined as  
 $n = \frac{\sin i}{\sin r}$  where  $i$  is the angle of incidence in air

**For the special case of the refracted ray in air:**  
 $\sin c = \frac{1}{n}$   
 Where  $c$  is the critical angle

**Total internal reflection occurs when:**

- A ray of light travels from an optically denser to a less dense medium
- The angle of incidence in the optically denser medium is greater than the critical angle  $c$

**some applications of total internal reflection:**

- Prisms in binoculars and periscopes
- optical fibres in telecommunications and the medical industry

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**Real and inverted**

- Real images are formed when object distance is  $p < f$
- Virtual and upright images are formed when  $p \leq f$

**Some applications of thin converging lenses**

- Magnifying glass
- projector
- Camera
- Visual correction for long-sightedness

## TOPICAL MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

### 12.1 Reflection:

- (1) Plank suggested that light consists of small packets of energy called:
  - (a) Electrons
  - (b) Neutrons
  - (c) Photons
  - (d) Positrons
- (2) The angle between incident ray and normal N is;
  - (a) Angle of reflection
  - (b) Angle of incidence
  - (c) Angle of refraction
  - (d) Normal angle
- (3) Angle of incidence is represented by
  - (a)  $i$
  - (b)  $e$
  - (c)  $R$
  - (d)  $p$
- (4) The angle between the normal and the reflected ray is called angle of
  - (a) Reflection
  - (b) Refraction
  - (c) Incidence
  - (d) Diffraction
- (5) The incident ray, the normal, and the reflected ray at the point of incidence all lie in the
  - (a) Opposite direction
  - (b) Same plane
  - (c)  $x$  and  $y$  axis
  - (d)  $y$  &  $z$  - axis
- (6) According to law of reflection
  - (a)  $i > r$
  - (b)  $i < r$
  - (c)  $r > i$
  - (d)  $i = r$
- (7) Regular reflection is reflection by the
  - (a) Rough surface
  - (b) Smooth surface
  - (c) Irregular surface
  - (d) Smooth and rough surfaces
- (8) The rough surfaces of object reflect the rays of light in many directions is called
  - (a) Regular reflection
  - (b) Irregular reflection
  - (c) Refraction
  - (d) Interference

### 12.2 Spherical Mirrors

- (9) In concave mirror the surface is reflecting;
  - (a) Outer surface
  - (b) Outer curved
  - (c) Inner curved surface
  - (d) Side of the mirror
- (10) Which statement is incorrect about concave mirror?
  - (a) Size of image depends upon position of the object
  - (b) Both virtual and real images can form
  - (c) Inner surface of spherical mirror is reflecting
  - (d) Only virtual images are formed
- (11) A spherical mirror whose outer curved surface is reflecting is called
  - (a) concave mirror
  - (b) convex mirror
  - (c) Concave lens
  - (d) Convex lens
- (12) Which statement is correct about convex mirror?
  - (a) Size of image is smaller than object
  - (b) Only virtual erect image is formed
  - (c) Outer curved surface is reflecting
  - (d) All of the given statements are true
- (13) Vertex is the midpoint of the curved surface of spherical mirror is also called
  - (a) Radius of curvature
  - (b) Principal axis
  - (c) Pole
  - (d) Principal focus
- (14) A line joining centre of curvature and pole of the spherical mirror is
  - (a) Principal axis
  - (b) principal focus
  - (c) Centre of curvature
  - (d) Pole
- (15) The distance from the pole to the principal focus measured along the principal axis is
  - (a) Principal focus
  - (b) Radius of curvature
  - (c) Focal length
  - (d) Diameter



**12.3 Image location by spherical mirror formula**

**12.4 Refraction of light**

- (16) The relationship between object distance  $p$ , image distance  $q$  from the mirror and focal length of the mirror is called;
- (a) Mirror focal length (b) Distance from mirror  
(c) Mirror formula (d) Lens formula
- (17) Mirror formula is
- (a)  $\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q}$  (b)  $\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{q}$  (c)  $\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{q}{p}$  (d)  $\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{q} + \frac{p}{q}$
- (18) Focal length of spherical mirror is
- (a)  $\frac{R}{4}$  (b)  $\frac{R}{2}$  (c)  $\frac{R}{3}$  (d)  $\frac{R}{9}$
- (19) Convex mirror produce images
- (a) Larger than object (b) Smaller than object (c) Equal to object (d) Very large in size
- (20) The bending of light as it passes from one transparent medium into another is
- (a) Reflection (b) Refraction (c) Reverberation (d) Incidence
- (21) According to law of refraction
- (a)  $\frac{\sin i}{\sin r} > i$  (b)  $\frac{\sin r}{\sin i} > r$  (c)  $\frac{\sin i}{\sin r} = \text{constant}$  (d)  $\frac{\sin r}{\sin i} > n$
- (22)  $\frac{\sin i}{\sin r} = n = \frac{n_2}{n_1}$  is called
- (a) Boyle's-law (b) Charless's law (c) Snell's law (d) Newton's law
- (23) Speed of light in air is approximately
- (a)  $3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  (b)  $4 \times 10^9 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  (c)  $4 \times 10^{14} \text{ ms}^{-1}$  (d)  $3 \times 10^7 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
- (24) The speed of light is greater in
- (a) Air (b) Water (c) Solid (d) Glass
- (25) The speed of light in water is approximately
- (a)  $2.0 \times 10^8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  (b)  $2.3 \times 10^8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  (c)  $3 \times 10^8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  (d)  $3 \times 10^7 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
- (26)  $?$  =  $\frac{\text{speed of light in vacuum}}{\text{speed of light in medium}}$
- (a) Reflective index (b) Snell's law (c) Refractive index (d) Critical angle

**12.5 Total internal reflection**

**12.6 Refraction through prism**

**12.7 Lenses**

- (27) When a ray of light enters from a denser medium to a rarer medium
- (a) It bends toward the normal (b) It bends away from the normal  
(c) It bends towards inside (d) None of these
- (28) The angle of incidence that causes the refracted ray in the rarer medium to bend through  $90^\circ$  is called
- (a) Critical angle (b) Angle of incidence (c) Angle of reflection (d) Angle of refraction
- (29) No refraction occurs when the angle of incidence is
- (a) Smaller than the critical angle (b) Larger than the critical angle  
(c) Equal to the critical angle (d) Very small than the critical angle



- (30) The line passing through the two centres of curvatures of the lens is called  
 (a) Principal focus (b) Optical centre (c) Principal axis (d) Focal length
- (31) Optical centre is represented by  
 (a) A (b) f (c) F (d) C
- (32) For a concave lens, the parallel rays appear to come from a point behind the lens is called;  
 (a) Principal focus (b) Principal axis (c) Focal length (d) Optical length
- (33) The distance between the optical centre and the principal focus is.  
 (a) Principal focus (b) Principal axis (c) Focal length (d) Optical length
- (34) It is a transparent body (made of optical glass) with at least two polished plane faces inclined towards each other from which light is refracted;  
 (a) prism (b) camera (c) lens (d) mirror
- (35) In lens number of curved surfaces at least;  
 (a) two (b) three (c) one (d) four
- (36) Lenses are used in optical devices;  
 (a) camera (b) eyeglasses (c) microscope (d) all given
- (37) The lens which causes incident parallel rays to converge at a point is;  
 (a) convex lens (b) converging lens (c) both a & b (d) concave lens
- (38) Lens thick at the centre but thin at the edges is;  
 (a) concave (b) convex (c) diverging (d) plane
- (39) SI unit of power of lens is:  
 (a) meter (b) dioptre (c) centimeter (d) millimeter
- (40)  $1D = ?$   
 (a)  $1m^{-1}$  (b)  $m^{-2}$  (c)  $m^{-3}$  (d)  $cm^{-1}$
- (41) It has positive focal length;  
 (a) simple lens (b) concave lens (c) convex lens (d) none of above

**12.8 Refraction through lenses**

**12.9 Image Location by lens equation**

- (42) In mirrors images are formed through reflection, but lenses form images through;  
 (a) refraction (b) incidence (c) diffraction (d) reflection
- (43) In case of convex lens when object is placed beyond  $2F$ , the image is formed;  
 (a) between  $F$  and  $2F$  (b) real, inverted (c) smaller than object (d) all of these
- (44) The image with convex lens is formed at  $2F$ , real, inverted, the same size as the object when the object is placed at:  
 (a)  $2F$  (b) between  $F$  and  $2F$  (c)  $F$  (d)  $C$
- (45) When object is at  $F$  the image is;  
 (a) inverted (b) real (c) small (d) not formed
- (46) Lens formula is  
 (a)  $\frac{1}{p} = \frac{1}{f} + \frac{1}{q}$  (b)  $\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q}$  (c)  $\frac{1}{f} = \frac{q}{p} + \frac{1}{q}$  (d)  $\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{q}$
- (47) For a converging lens  $f$  is;  
 (a) negative (b) positive  
 (c) some time negative and some time positive (d) smaller
- (48) The study of behaviour of light is called;  
 (a) optics (b) geometry (c) plasma (d) geometrical optics



- (49) If the object is on the right side of the lens then  $p$  is;  
 (a) positive (b) negative (c) smaller (d) larger
- (50) Optical device is;  
 (a) camera (b) slide projector (c) photograph enlarger (d) all of given
- (51) Which statement is correct about image formed by camera?  
 (a) Real image is formed (b) Inverted image is formed  
 (c) Diminished image is formed (d) All options are true
- (52) In case of photograph enlarger the object is placed at distance;  
 (a) more than  $F$  (b) less than  $2F$  (c) both A and B (d) more than  $3F$
- (53) The working principle of photograph enlarger is the same as;  
 (a) Slide projector (b) camera (c) Telescope (d) Endoscope
- (54) Which pipe is a bundle of thousand of optical fibres bounded together?  
 (a) light pipe (b) Telescope (c) Microscope (d) Projector
- (55) It is used to explore the interior organs of the body?  
 (a) Telescope (b) Endoscope (c) Microscope (d) Projector
- (56) Endoscope used to diagnose the stomach is;  
 (a) Cystoscope (b) Gastroscope (c) Bronchoscope (d) Pancreoscope
- (57) Endoscope which is used to diagnose throat is;  
 (a) Gastroscope (b) Cystoscope (c) Bronchoscope (d) None of these

**12.11 Simple Microscope**

**12.12 Compound Microscope**

- (58) A magnifying glass is a convex lens which is used to produce magnified images of small objects. It is also called;  
 (a) Compound microscope (b) Simple microscope  
 (c) Electron microscope (d) Light microscope
- (59) For seeing tiny objects we use microscope of;  
 (a) low resolving power (b) high resolving power  
 (c) Electron microscope (d) Light microscope
- (60) Which statement is correct about compound microscope?  
 (a) Focal length of objective lens is smaller than eyepiece.  
 (b) Distance between objective lens and eyepiece is greater than  $f_o + f_e$ .  
 (c) It is used to see very small object  
 (d) All given statements are true
- (61) The magnification of compound microscope is;  
 (a)  $M = \frac{L}{f_o} \left( 1 + \frac{d}{f_e} \right)$  (b)  $M = \frac{L}{f_o}$  (c)  $M = \left( 1 + \frac{d}{f_e} \right)$  (d)  $M = \frac{L}{f_e} \left( 1 + \frac{d}{f_e} \right)$

**12.13 Telescope**

**12.14 The Human Eye**

**12.15 Defects of Vision**

- (62) It is an optical instrument which is used to observe distant objects using lens or mirror;  
 (a) microscope (b) Kaledoscope (c) Telescope (d) Light microscope
- (63) Magnification of telescope can be determined by using formula;  
 (a)  $M = \frac{f_o}{f_e}$  (b)  $M = \frac{f_o}{f_o}$  (c)  $M = \frac{F}{L}$  (d)  $M = \frac{L_o}{f_o}$



- (64) Human eye acts like;  
 (a) Camera (b) Telescope (c) Kaledoscope (d) Microscope
- (65) Light enters the eye through transparent membrane called;  
 (a) Retina (b) Cornea (c) Iris (d) Pupil
- (66) The coloured portion of eye controls the amount of light reaching the retina.  
 (a) Iris (b) Pupil (c) Cornea (d) eye lens
- (67) The variation of focal length of eye lens is called;  
 (a) Variation (b) Accommodation (c) Magnification (d) Resolution
- (68) When people cannot see distant objects clearly without the aid of spectacles the defect of vision is;  
 (a) Short-sighted (b) near-sightedness (c) both A & B (d) Farsightedness
- (69) Short sighted may be due to eyeball being  
 (a) too long (b) too short (c) too thick (d) too thin
- (70) Have ability to move eye lens forward or backward.  
 (a) Fish (b) Human (c) Birds (d) Dog
- (71) The nearsighted eye can be corrected by using;  
 (a) diverging lens (b) converging lens (c) both A & B (d) Concave mirror
- (72) The disability of the eye to form distinct images of nearby object on retina is called farsightedness or:  
 (a) Short sightedness (b) isometropia (c) hypermetropia (d) Myopia
- (73) Farsightedness is corrected by using;  
 (a) Converging lens (b) diverging lens (c) concave mirror (d) convex mirror
- (74) Power of concave lens is:  
 (a) Greater (b) Less (c) Positive (d) Negative
- (75) Long sightedness is caused due to ----- eye ball:  
 (a) Thick (b) Thin (c) small (d) Both a & c
- (76) Near point of a normal human being is:  
 (a) 25 cm (b) 50 cm (c) 100 cm (d) Infinity
- (77) Long sightedness is removed by:  
 (a) Convex mirror (b) Concave mirror (c) Convex lens (d) Concave lens

**ANSWER KEY**

Q.	Ans														
1	c	11	b	21	c	31	d	41	c	51	d	61	a	71	a
2	b	12	d	22	c	32	a	42	a	52	c	62	c	72	c
3	a	13	c	23	a	33	c	43	d	53	a	63	a	73	a
4	a	14	a	24	a	34	a	44	a	54	a	64	a	74	d
5	b	15	c	25	b	35	c	45	d	55	b	65	b	75	b
6	d	16	c	26	c	36	d	46	b	56	b	66	a	76	a
7	b	17	a	27	b	37	c	47	b	57	c	67	b	77	c
8	b	18	b	28	a	38	b	48	a	58	b	68	c		
9	c	19	b	29	b	39	b	49	b	59	b	69	a		
10	d	20	b	30	c	40	a	50	d	60	d	70	a		