

**PHY 114 A General Physics II**  
**11 AM-12:15 PM TR Olin 101**

**Plan for Lecture 19 (Chapter 36):**

**Optical properties of light**

**1. Mirror reflections**

**2. Images in flat and spherical mirrors**

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13	03/09/2012	Faraday's law	31.1-31.5	31.12.31.23.31.40	03/20/2012
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15	03/22/2012	AC circuits	33.1-33.9	33.8.33.24.33.71	03/27/2012
16	03/27/2012	Electromagnetic waves	34.1-34.3	34.3.34.10.34.13	03/29/2012
17	03/29/2012	Electromagnetic waves	34.4-34.7	34.22.34.46.34.57	04/03/2012
18	04/03/2012	Ray optics Evening exam	35.1-35.8	35.20.35.27.35.35	04/10/2012
19	04/05/2012	Image formation Evening exam	36.1-36.4	36.8.36.21.36.42	04/10/2012
20	04/10/2012	Image formation	36.5-36.10	36.52.36.54.36.64	04/12/2012
21	04/12/2012	Wave interference	37.1-37.6		
22	04/17/2012	Diffraction	38.1-38.6		
23	04/19/2012	Quantum Physics	40.1-42.10		

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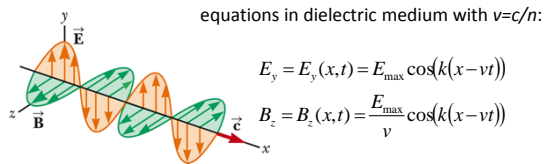
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Plane wave solution to Maxwell's equations in dielectric medium with  $v=c/n$ :

$$E_y = E_y(x, t) = E_{\max} \cos(k(x - vt))$$

$$B_z = B_z(x, t) = \frac{E_{\max}}{v} \cos(k(x - vt))$$

Additional comments:

For this solution, the **y** direction is called the **polarization** direction (the E field orientation)

This is a periodic wave, where  $k=2\pi/\lambda$  and  $\lambda$  represents the wavelength and the frequency of the wave is  $kc/n=\omega=2\pi f$ .

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Index of refraction  $n$ :

In vacuum	In medium
$\epsilon_0$	$\epsilon \geq \epsilon_0$
$\mu_0$	$\mu \geq \mu_0$
$c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_0 \mu_0}}$	$v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon \mu}} \equiv \frac{c}{n}$

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$n_1 \frac{\omega}{c} \sin \theta_1 = n_2 \frac{\omega}{c} \sin \theta_2$

$\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  continuous at boundary

Snell's law :  $n_1 \sin \theta_1 = n_2 \sin \theta_2$

$E_y = E_y(x, t) = E_{\max} \cos\left(n \frac{\omega}{c} (x - ct)\right)$

$B_z = B_z(x, t) = (E_{\max} / c) \cos\left(n \frac{\omega}{c} (x - ct)\right)$

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General case – reflection and refraction

For  $E$  polarized in scattering plane

$$\frac{E_2}{E_0} = \frac{2n_1 n_2 \cos \theta_1}{n_2^2 \cos \theta_1 + n_1 n_2 \cos \theta_2}$$

$$\frac{E_{1R}}{E_0} = \frac{n_2^2 \cos \theta_1 - n_1 n_2 \cos \theta_2}{n_2^2 \cos \theta_1 + n_1 n_2 \cos \theta_2}$$

For  $E$  polarized out of scattering plane

$$\frac{E_2}{E_0} = \frac{2n_1 \cos \theta_1}{n_1 \cos \theta_1 + n_2 \cos \theta_2}$$

$$\frac{E_{1R}}{E_0} = \frac{n_1 \cos \theta_1 - n_2 \cos \theta_2}{n_1 \cos \theta_1 + n_2 \cos \theta_2}$$

For  $\theta_1 = 0 = \theta_2$

$$\frac{E_2}{E_0} = \frac{2n_1}{n_2 + n_1}$$

$$\frac{E_{1R}}{E_0} = \frac{n_2 - n_1}{n_2 + n_1}$$

If  $n_2 \rightarrow \infty$ , then :

$$\frac{E_2}{E_0} \rightarrow 0 \text{ and } \frac{E_{1R}}{E_0} \rightarrow 1$$

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Images formed from reflected light:

Notation for image position:  
 $i \leftrightarrow q$

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Analysis of mirror image

Mirror symmetry:

Using geometry:  
 $i = p \quad h = h'$

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Terminology:

Virtual image -- perceived image but no light can be detected at the location of the virtual image

Real image -- light can be detected at the location of the real image

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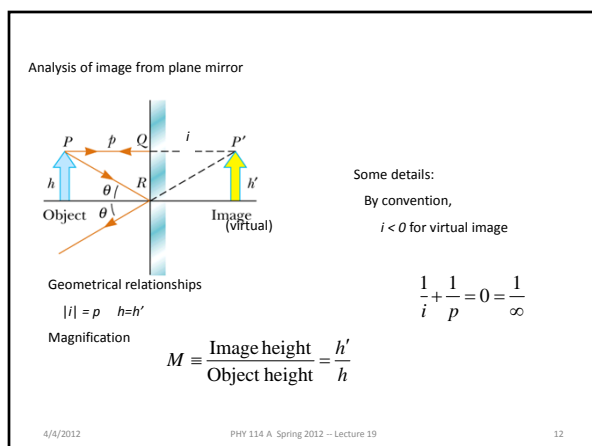
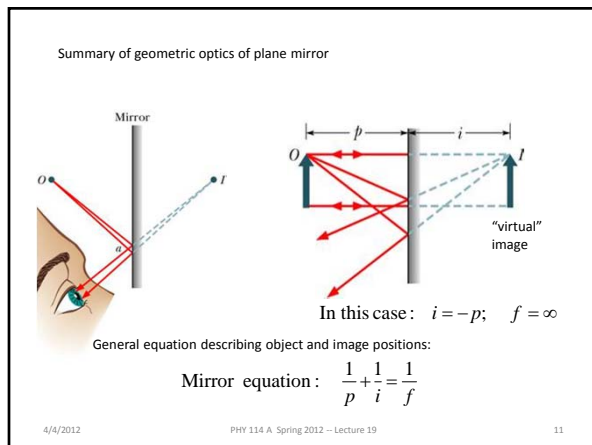
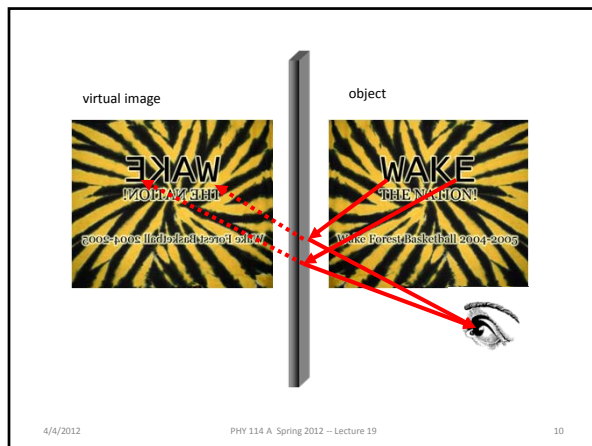
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Spherical mirrors -- concave

Reflection of parallel light rays:

Center of curvature  
C  
Principal axis  
Mirror  
R  
V  
F  
f  
Detail  
θ  
θ  
C  
F  
R  
f  
 $f = \frac{1}{2} R$

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Why does this satellite-dish look like a concave mirror?

A. Because it is.  
B. It doesn't -- not shiny enough.

Where is the receive placed relative to the radius of curvature R?

A. Placed at R.  
B. Placed at R/2.

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Image formed in concave mirror:

Plane mirror:

$$\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{i} = \frac{1}{f}$$

Example:  $f = 4 \text{ cm}$   
 $p = 1 \text{ cm}$   
 $i = -1.33 \text{ cm}$

$$M = \frac{h'}{h} = \frac{-i}{p} = \frac{-(-1.33)}{1} = 1.33$$

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"Proof" of mirror equation:

$$\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{i} = \frac{1}{f}$$

Similar triangles:

$$\frac{h'}{f-i} = \frac{h}{f}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{h'}{h} = \frac{f-i}{f} = \frac{-i}{p}$$

Similar triangles:

$$\frac{h'}{h} = \frac{-i}{p}$$

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Image formed by concave mirror:

General result for virtual image formed by concave mirror

$p < f$   
 image is upright and increased in size

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When the object is located between the focal point and a concave mirror surface, the image is virtual, upright, and enlarged.

Front Back

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Image formed by concave mirror:

Example:  $f = 4 \text{ cm}$   
 $p = 10 \text{ cm}$   
 $i = 6.67 \text{ cm}$

$$M = \frac{-i}{p} = \frac{-6.67}{10} = -0.667$$

$$\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{i} = \frac{1}{f}$$

$$M = \frac{-h'}{h} = \frac{-i}{p}$$

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When the object is located so that the center of curvature lies between the object and a concave mirror surface, the image is real, inverted, and reduced in size.

Principal axis

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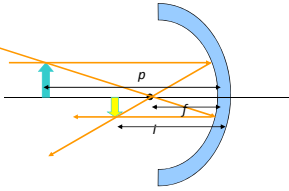
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Image formed by concave mirror:



General result for real image formed by concave mirror  
 $p > f$   
 image is upside down  
 Is image always reduced in size?  
 (A) yes (B) no

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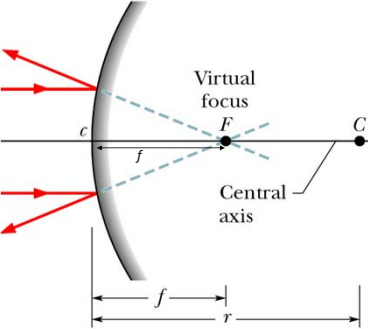
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Convex mirror



Virtual focus  
 Central axis

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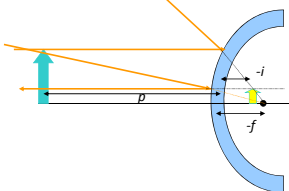
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Image formed by convex mirror:



Example:  $f = -4$  cm  
 $p = 16$  cm  
 $i = -3.2$  cm

$$M = \frac{-i}{p} = \frac{3.2}{16} = 0.2$$

$$\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{i} = \frac{1}{f}$$

$$M = \frac{h'}{h} = \frac{-i}{p}$$

General result for virtual image formed by convex mirror:  
 image is upright and decreased in size

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Can the image formed by a convex mirror ever be *increased* in size ( $|M| > 1$ )?

(A) yes (B) no

Is it possible to form a real image with a convex mirror?

(A) yes (B) no

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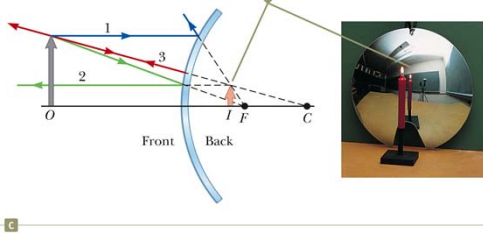
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When the object is in front of a convex mirror, the image is virtual, upright, and reduced in size.



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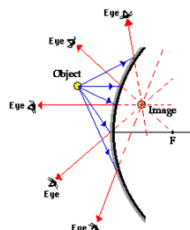
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Convex mirror used for surveillance:



<http://www.physicsclassroom.com/class/refln/u13l4a.cfm>

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Suppose that you were behind the steering wheel and saw this image in your rear-view mirror. Which of these is likely to be true?

- A. The truck is closer to you than it appears.
- B. The truck is further from you than it appears.
- C. Don't change lanes just in case.

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