PHY132 Introduction to Physics II Class 6 – **Outline:**

- Ch. 23, sections 23.1-23.5
- Reflection
- Refraction
- Total Internal Reflection
- Image Formation
- · Colour and Dispersion



http://physics.tutorvista.com/light/index-of-refraction.html

Where to get help

- Your classmates: go on Piazza.com, form a study group, hang out in MP125, etc
- Your two graduate student TAs. Learn their email address, office hours, and office location.
- **Me**. After class + MP121B office hours are T12, F10, email [Note I am away Friday Jan.23]
- **Professor Meyertholen**, MP129A office hours are M2, F11-12
- The Physics Drop-In Centre in MP125, back corner MTWR 12-3, F11-2
- Academic Success Centre in Koffler 1st floor, inside the Career Centre

Announcement

- Test 1 is Tuesday Jan. 27th from 6:00-7:30pm.
- Room To Be Announced
- If you have a conflict with the above time, the alternate sitting will be from 4:30-6:00pm on Tuesday Jan. 27th
 - To register, students should submit the Alternate Sitting Registration Form, available now in the PHY132S Portal course menu.
 - The location will be emailed no later than Jan. 26 to the people who have registered.
 - You have until Jan. 22 at 4:00pm to do it (the form will not be available after).

What is light?

 Light is an electromagnetic wave – and is highly useful in our everyday life!







Electromagnetic Waves

The electric and magnetic fields of an electromagnetic wave are perpendicular to each other and to the direction of motion of the wave.



Electromagnetic Spectrum

- In a vacuum, all electromagnetic waves move at the same speed
- We classify electromagnetic waves according to their frequency (or wavelength)
- · Light is one kind of electromagnetic wave



Electromagnetic Waves CHECK YOUR NEIGHBOUR

If a certain material is "transparent" (ie, not opaque), what does this mean?

- A. Electromagnetic waves of all frequencies can pass straight through it
- B. Electromagnetic waves of all frequencies are reflected from its surface
- C. Electromagnetic waves of all frequencies are absorbed throughout its volume
- D. Electromagnetic waves of a certain frequency can pass straight through it

Transparent Materials

Glass blocks both infrared and ultraviolet, but it is transparent to visible light.



Opaque Materials

- Most things around us are **opaque**—they absorb light without re-emitting it.
- Vibrations given by light to their atoms and molecules are turned into random kinetic energy—into internal energy.
- These materials become slightly warmer.



Opaque Materials

Metals

• Light shining on metal forces free electrons in the metal into vibrations that emit their own light as reflection.



Reflection CHECK YOUR NEIGHBOUR

Which reflects more light, a white piece of paper or a black piece of paper?

- A. Black
- B. White
- C. About the same

Reflection CHECK YOUR NEIGHBOUR

Which reflects more light, a white piece of paper or a mirror?

- A. White Paper
- B. Mirror
- C. About the same

Specular Reflection



Mirrors

The surface is *flat* at distance scales near or above the wavelength of light
It looks "shiny", and you can see images in it.

Diffuse Reflection



White Paper

- The surface is *rough* at distance scales near or above the wavelength of light
- Almost all surfaces reflect in this way!

Law of Specular Reflection

The angle of reflection equals the angle of incidence.





- A dentist uses a mirror to look at the back of a second molar (A).
- Next, she wishes to look at the back of a lateral incisor (B), which is 90° away.
- By what angle should she rotate her mirror?
- A. 90°
- B. 45°
- C. 180°

Refraction

When light bends in going obliquely from one medium to another, we call this process refraction.



Cause of Refraction

- Bending of light when it passes from one medium to another
- · Caused by change in speed of light



Light travels slower in glass than in air, so it minimizes the time it spends in the glass.

Total Internal Reflection

• Total reflection of light traveling within a medium that strikes the boundary of another medium at an angle at, or greater than, the critical angle

An Optical Fibre

Speed of light in cladding is *higher* than speed of light in core.

Medical Fibrescopes

Virtual Image Formation

No light rays actually pass through or even near the image, so it is "virtual".

Two plane mirrors form a right angle. How many images of the ball can the observer see in the mirrors?

- A fish swims below the surface of the water. An observer sees the fish at:
- A. a greater depth than it really is.
- B. its true depth.
- C. a smaller depth than it really is.

A fish swims *directly* below the surface of the water. An observer sees the fish at:

- A. a greater depth than it really is.
- B. its true depth.
- C. a smaller depth than it really is.

Color

Color we see depends on frequency of light.

Mixing Colored Light

The spectrum of sunlight is a graph of brightness versus frequency.

Dispersion

 Process of separation of light into colors arranged by frequency

• Components of white light are dispersed in a prism (and in a diffraction grating).

Rainbows

Rainbows are a result of dispersion by many drops.

• Dispersion of light by a single drop

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Doublerainbow

The second rainbow has blue on the top, and a radius of about 53°

(a) Rods and cones contain stacks of membranes.

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What do you see on this blank white slide? Blink if needed!

This is called an "after image" Does it move around as you move your gaze?

Before Class 7 on Monday

- Please read Knight Pgs. 670-686: Ch. 23, sections 23.6-23.8
- Don't forget Problem Set 2 due on Sunday night!
- Something to think about: What is the difference between a converging and diverging lens? Which type can be used to focus sunlight onto a piece of

paper and burn a hole?

