## Note on Posted Slides

- These are the slides that I intended to show in class on Wed. Apr. 3, 2013.
- They contain important ideas and questions from your reading.
- Due to time constraints, I was probably not able to show all the slides during class.
- They are all posted here for completeness.


## History of Light

- 50 A.D. - Hero of Alexandria explained Euclid's Law of Reflection by proposing that light always takes the shortest path between two points.


PHY205H1S
Physics of Everyday Life Class 22: Reflection and Refraction

- Law of Reflection
- Virtual Image Formation
- Image Reversal
- Concave Mirrors
- Diffuse Reflection
- Refraction
- Dispersion, Rainbows

- Total Internal Reflection
- Lenses
- Real Image Formation


## Fermat's Principle of Least Time

- In 1657 Pierre de Fermat modified Hero's proof to be a path of least time.
- $B^{\prime}$ is a point along the normal to $B$, the same distance behind the mirror as B is in front of the mirror
- $B^{\prime}$ is the virtual image of $B$
- A-C-B is the path along which light takes the shortest time to go from $A$ to the mirror to $B$

- A dentist uses a mirror to look at the back of a
The angle of reflection equals the angle of incidence.

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


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

- Which picture is most likely a mirror image of Harlow?



## Virtual Image Formation



- Bob chooses to rotate around a vertical axis, and therefore he looks flipped left-to-right.
- But if Bob wants to turn to face Alice, is there any other way to do it?


Two plane mirrors form a right angle. How many images of the ball can the observer see in the mirrors?
A. 1
B. 2
C. 3
D. 4


## Virtual Image Formation

- Alice looks at Bob's image a mirror and sees he has a red shoe on the foot to Alice's left.
- Then she asks Bob to turn and face her, so she can compare the image to what Bob looks like in real life.
- Bob takes a couple of steps forward, turns around and faces Alice.
- Alice notes that the red shoe is now on the foot on the right.
- Alice concludes: "Mirrors reverse left and right, not up and down." Is this true? Can you see any flaws in Alice's reasoning?



## Virtual Image Formation

 head to face Alice!

- If Bob had chosen to face Alice by standing on his head, he would have been flipped up-todown, and not left-to-right!
- What really happens is the image is reversed front-to-back



## Refraction

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


## Index of Refraction

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v_{\text {medium }}=\frac{c}{n}
$$

- $v_{\text {medium }}$ is the speed of light in a transparent medium.
- $c$ is the speed of light in a vacuum ( $c=3.00 \times 10^{8} \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ )
- $n$ is a dimensionless constant: $n \geq 1$
- $n=1$ in a vacuum


## Diffuse reflection

- When light strikes a rough or irregular surface and reflects in many directions
- Almost everything we see is due to diffuse reflection from surfaces around us.


Magnified view of the surface of ordinary paper

## Cause of Refraction

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


TABLE 23.1 Indices of refraction

| Medium | $n$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Vacuum | 1.00 exactly |
| Air (actual) | 1.0003 |
| Air (accepted) | 1.00 |
| Water | 1.33 |
| Ethyl alcohol | 1.36 |
| Oil | 1.46 |
| Glass (typical) | 1.50 |
| Polystyrene plastic | 1.59 |
| Cubic zirconia | 2.18 |
| Diamond | 2.41 |
| Silicon (infrared) | 3.50 |
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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.

## Dispersion

The slight variation of index of refraction with wavelength is known as dispersion. Shown is the dispersion curves of two common glasses. Notice that $n$ is larger when the wavelength is shorter, thus violet light refracts more than red light.


## Refraction

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


Illusion caused by refraction


- Objects submerged in water appear closer to the surface.

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


Rainbows


Doublerainbow

The second rainbow has blue on the top, and a radius of about $53^{\circ}$


## Discussion Question

- Light waves with speed $v_{1}$ are incident upon the flat surface of a material in which they have speed $\mathrm{v}_{2}$.
- For what condition is total internal reflection possible?
A. $v_{2}>v_{1}$
B. $\mathrm{v}_{2}<\mathrm{v}_{1}$
C. $v_{2}=v_{1}$
D. All of the above


## Total Internal Reflection

Optical fibers or light pipes

- Thin, flexible rods of special glass or transparent plastic.
- Light from one end of the fiber is total internally reflected to the other end, resulting in nearly the same brightness of light.



## Medical Fibrescopes



## Diverging Lens

Negative


## An Optical Fibre



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

Converging Lens


## Discussion Question

- Which kind of lens can form a real image?
A. Diverging lens
B. Converging lens

Diverging rays through a Converging Lens


If an object emits rays at the focal point, they end up being parallel on the other side of the converging lens.

Real Image Formation


Light rays actually pass through the image, and a screen can be placed there, so it is "real".

This is the end!!!!
The final exam, will be:


Tuesday, Apr. 30 at 2:00pm sharp
Room is based on your last name:

- A-DO: SS2102
- DU-H: SS2117
- I-LEQ: SS2118
- LI-LO: SS2135
-LU- "WANG, X" (ie first initial $\leq \mathbf{X}$ ): NR25 = William Doo Auditorium, New College, 45 Wilcocks St
- "WANG, Y" (ie first initial $\geq \mathbf{Y}$ ) -ZHANG: SEEL = Seeley Hall, Trinity College, 6 Hoskin Ave
- ZHAO-ZOU: WI1017 = Wilson Hall, New College, 40 Wilcocks St.


What will happen to the rays emerging to the right of the lens if the face is moved a little further away from the lens?
A. They will remain parallel.
B. They will diverge (spread out).
C. They will converge (toward a focus).

## The Camera



- A camera "takes a picture" by using a lens to form a real, inverted image on a light-sensitive detector in a light-tight box.
- We can model a combination lens as a single lens with an effective focal length (usually called simply "the focal length")
- A zoom lens changes the effective focal length by varying the spacing between the converging lens and the diverging lens.


## This is the end!!!!



The final exam will cover the entire course, including all of the assigned reading plus tutorial materials and what was discussed in class.

## Approximately even spread over the course material

- Aids allowed [don't forget to bring these!]:
- A calculator without communication capability.
- Up to three $8 \times 13 \mathrm{~cm}$ index cards or equivalent area, which may be written upon on both sides.


## Final Exam: First Page

Assume that the acceleration due to gravity in all problems is $g=10 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}^{2}$. Unless otherwise indicated in a particular question, you may assume the density of water is $1000 \mathrm{~kg} / \mathrm{m}^{3}$, the speed of sound in air is $340 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$, and air resistance is negligible Common Prefixes: $\mathrm{m}=$ "milli-" $=10^{-3} \quad \mathrm{c}=" \mathrm{centi}-"=10^{-2} \quad \mathrm{k}=" \mathrm{kilo-} "=10^{3} \quad \mathrm{M}=$ "mega-" = $10^{6}$

| Written A: | $/ 4$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Written B: | $/ 4$ |
| Written C: | $/ 4$ |
| Written D: | $/ 4$ |
| Written E: | 14 |
| Written F: |  |
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| +24 multiple choice worth 2 points |  |
| each. Exam total possible is 72. |  |

## Keep in Touch!!

- My office hours Apr. 8 through 30 are:
- Mondays 2-3 and 4-5
- Wednesdays 2-3
- Fridays 9-10
- I am in MP121-B and my land-line is 416-946-4071 (please don't send text messages to my land-line)
- Please email me (jharlow@physics.utoronto.ca ) with any questions, or if you'd like to make an appointment outside my office hours.
- Keep in touch! This course has been a lot of fun for me and l'd love to hear how you are doing in the future.


## Please Fill Out the Online Survey For This Course!!!!!!

- Your feedback is vital to me. I promise I will read every word you type in the online evaluations.
- The online system is open now (you should have received an email already)
- The deadline is this Tuesday - please don't forget!!


