

Physics 261, Sec. 801, Test 1: Solutions

Section A

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Section B

1. Monochromatic light which has a wavelength of 3.0×10^{-7} m in vacuum passes through glass with index of refraction of $n = 2.0$.
 - (a) What is the frequency of the light in vacuum? (The speed of light in vacuum is 3.0×10^8 m/s.) [8 points]
 - (b) Is the frequency of the light the same in the glass as it is in vacuum? (Just answer “yes” or “no.”) [2 points]
 - (c) What is its wavelength of the light in the glass? [8 points]

Answers:

- (a) Use $c = \lambda_v f$, where c is the speed of light in vacuum, λ_v is the wavelength in vacuum, and f is the frequency. Therefore

$$f = \frac{c}{\lambda} = \frac{3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}}{3.0 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}} = \boxed{1.0 \times 10^{15} \text{ Hz}}.$$

- (b) Yes.

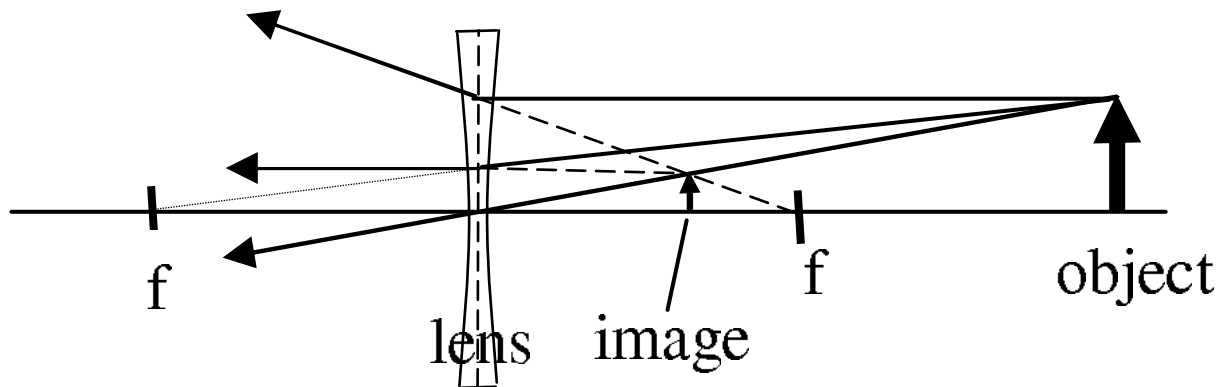
- (c) In glass, $v_g = \lambda_g f$. Dividing this equation by $c = \lambda_v f$ and cancelling the f 's gives

$$\frac{v_g}{c} = \frac{\lambda_g}{\lambda_v}.$$

But $v_g = c/n$, where n is the index of refraction, which implies that $v_g/c = 1/n$. Substituting this into the above equation gives

$$\frac{\lambda_g}{\lambda_v} = \frac{1}{n} \Rightarrow \lambda_g = \frac{\lambda_v}{n} = \frac{3.0 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}}{2.0} = \boxed{1.5 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}}.$$

2. The diagram below represents an object that is 1 m away from an a concave (diverging) lens with focal length of magnitude $\frac{1}{2}$ m.



- (a) Draw the ray diagram (include at least 2 rays) for the above situation. Indicate where the image is. (If you don't have a ruler, you can use the edges of a sheet of paper to draw straight lines.) The focal points are labelled f . [11 points]
- (b) Calculate where the image should be. Include the correct sign. (Your answer can be expressed as a fraction.) [8 points]
- (c) What is the linear magnification factor of this image? (Include the correct sign.) [3 points]

Answers:

- (a) See diagram above.
- (b) Use the thin lens formula which relates the object distance $d_o = 1$ m, the unknown image distance d_i and the focal length $f = -\frac{1}{2}$ m:

$$\frac{1}{d_o} + \frac{1}{d_i} = \frac{1}{f} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{d_i} = \frac{1}{f} - \frac{1}{d_o} = \frac{1}{(-\frac{1}{2} \text{ m})} - \frac{1}{1 \text{ m}} = \frac{(-2 - 1)}{\text{m}} = \frac{-3}{\text{m}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{d_i = -\frac{1}{3} \text{ m}}.$$

Note that the negative image distance indicates that image is virtual, in agreement with the diagram above.

- (c)

$$M = -\frac{d_i}{d_o} = -\frac{-\frac{1}{3} \text{ m}}{1 \text{ m}} = \boxed{+\frac{1}{3}}.$$

Note that this agrees with the image in the drawing — it is diminished to $1/3$ its original size, and is upright.