

# CH # 13 RECTILINEAR PROPAGATION OF LIGHT

Some important formulae:

$$i) \frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} \quad ii) M = \frac{q}{p} = \frac{hi}{ho} \quad iii) f = \frac{R}{2}$$

$$hi = \frac{6}{30} \times 5$$

$$hi = 1\text{cm}$$

Nature of image:

If 'q' is +ve image will be REAL.

If 'q' is -ve image will be VIRTUAL.

Nature of mirror:

If 'f' is +ve given mirror is CONCAVE.

If 'f' is -ve given mirror is CONVEX.

**13.1: An object is placed at a distance of 30cm from a concave mirror of focal length 5cm. If the object is 5cm is high, find the position and size of image.**

*GIVEN:*

Object distance = P = 30cm

Focal length = f = 5cm

Size of object =  $h_o = 5\text{cm}$

*REQUIRED:*

Position of image = q = ?

Size of image = hi = ?

*SOLUTION:*

By using mirror formula,

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

$$\frac{1}{5} = \frac{1}{30} + \frac{1}{q}$$

$$\frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{30} = \frac{1}{q}$$

$$\frac{1}{q} = \frac{6-1}{30}$$

$$\frac{1}{q} = \frac{5}{30}$$

$$\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$q = 6\text{cm}$$

We know that,

$$\frac{hi}{ho} = \frac{q}{p}$$

$$\frac{hi}{5} = \frac{6}{30}$$

**13.2: If an object is placed at a distance of 10cm from a spherical mirror and its virtual image is formed at a distance of 5cm from the mirror. Find the focal length and the nature of mirror.**

*GIVEN:*

Object distance = P = 10cm

Image distance = q = -5cm (Virtual image)

*REQUIRED:*

Focal length = f = ?

*SOLUTION:*

By using mirror formula,

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

$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{(-5)}$$

$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{10} - \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1-2}{10}$$

$$\frac{1}{f} = -\frac{1}{10}$$

f = -10cm since f is -ve therefore given mirror is CONVEX MIRROR

**13.3: An object is situated at a distance of 20cm from a concave mirror. Find the nature and the position of the image if the focal length of the mirror is 15cm.**

*GIVEN:*

Object distance = P = 20cm

Focal length = f = 15cm

*REQUIRED:*

Image distance = q = ?

Nature of image = ?

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**SOLUTION:**

By using mirror formula,

$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q}$$
$$\frac{1}{15} = \frac{1}{20} + \frac{1}{q}$$
$$\frac{1}{15} - \frac{1}{20} = \frac{1}{q}$$
$$\frac{1}{q} = \frac{4-3}{60}$$
$$\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{60}$$

$q = 60\text{cm}$  'q' is positive therefore image is real.

Position of image is 60cm from the mirror.

**13.4: An object is situated at a distance of 24.0cm from a concave mirror. The focal length of concave mirror is 6cm. Determine the size of the image and its distance from the mirror if the object is 12cm high.**

**GIVEN:**

Object distance =  $p = 24\text{cm}$

Focal length =  $f = 6\text{cm}$

Size of object =  $h_o = 12\text{cm}$

**REQUIRED:**

Image distance =  $q = ?$

Size of image =  $h_i = ?$

**SOLUTION:**

By using mirror formula,

$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q}$$
$$\frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{24} + \frac{1}{q}$$
$$\frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{24} = \frac{1}{q}$$
$$\frac{1}{q} = \frac{4-1}{24}$$
$$\frac{1}{q} = \frac{3}{24}$$
$$\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{8}$$
$$q = 8\text{cm}$$

We know that,

$$\frac{h_i}{h_o} = \frac{q}{p}$$

$$\frac{h_i}{12} = \frac{8}{24}$$
$$h_i = \frac{8}{24} \times 12$$
$$h_i = 4\text{cm}$$

**13.5: The focal length of concave mirror is 40cm. Where an object should be placed so as to gets its real image magnified twice.**

**GIVEN:**

Focal length =  $f = 10\text{cm}$

Magnification =  $M = 2$

**REQUIRED:**

Object distance =  $p = ?$

**SOLUTION:**

$$\text{Magnification} = M = \frac{q}{p}$$

$$M = \frac{q}{p}$$

$$2 = \frac{q}{p}$$

$$2p = q$$

By using mirror formula,

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

$$\frac{1}{10} = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{2p}$$

$$\frac{1}{10} = \frac{2+1}{2p}$$

$$\frac{1}{10} = \frac{3}{2p}$$

$$2p = 3 \times 10$$

$$2p = 30$$

$$p = \frac{30}{2}$$

$$p = 15\text{cm}$$

**13.6: The radius of curvature of concave mirror is 40cm. where should an object be placed as to gets its real image magnified four times.**

**GIVEN:**

Radius of curvature =  $R = 40\text{cm}$

Magnification =  $M = 4$

REQUIRED:

Object distance = P = ?

SOLUTION:

$$f = \frac{R}{2}$$

$$f = \frac{40}{2}$$

$$f = 20\text{cm}$$

$$\text{Magnification} = M = \frac{q}{P}$$

$$M = \frac{q}{P}$$

$$4 = \frac{q}{P}$$

$$4P = q$$

By using mirror formula,

$$\frac{1}{20} = \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{4P}$$

$$\frac{1}{20} = \frac{4 + 1}{4P}$$

$$\frac{1}{20} = \frac{5}{4P}$$

$$4P = 5 \times 20$$

$$4P = 100$$

$$P = \frac{100}{4}$$

$$P = 25\text{cm}$$

**13.7:** An object is situated at a distance of 20cm from convex mirror of radius of curvature 20cm. Find the position and the nature of image.

GIVEN:

Object distance = P = 20cm

Radius of curvature = R = 20cm

REQUIRED:

Image distance = q = ?

Nature of image = ?

SOLUTION:

$$f = \frac{R}{2}$$

$$f = \frac{20}{2}$$

$$f = 10\text{cm}$$

f = -10cm (Since mirror is convex)

By using mirror formula,

$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{q}$$

$$-\frac{1}{10} = \frac{1}{20} + \frac{1}{q}$$

$$-\frac{1}{10} - \frac{1}{20} = \frac{1}{q}$$

$$\frac{1}{q} = \frac{-2 - 1}{20}$$

$$\frac{1}{q} = -\frac{3}{20}$$

$$q = -\frac{20}{3}$$

q = -6.67 cm

q is negative therefore nature of image is VIRTUAL

**13.8:** Focal length of concave mirror is 10cm, if the object is situated at a distance of (i) 60cm (ii) 20cm (iii) 5cm from the mirror, find the distance of image in each case.

GIVEN:

Focal length, f = 10cm

i) P = 60cm

ii) P = 20cm

iii) P = 5cm

REQUIRED:

Image distance in each case = q = ?

SOLUTION:

By using mirror formula,

$$i) \frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{q}$$

$$\frac{1}{10} = \frac{1}{60} + \frac{1}{q}$$

$$\frac{1}{10} - \frac{1}{60} = \frac{1}{q}$$

$$\frac{1}{q} = \frac{6 - 1}{60}$$

$$\frac{1}{q} = \frac{5}{60}$$

$$\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{12}$$

$$q = 12 \text{ cm}$$

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$$ii) \frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q}$$

$$\frac{1}{10} = \frac{1}{20} + \frac{1}{q}$$

$$\frac{1}{10} - \frac{1}{20} = \frac{1}{q}$$

$$\frac{1}{q} = \frac{2-1}{20}$$

$$\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{20}$$

$$q = 20 \text{ cm}$$

$$iii) \frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q}$$

$$\frac{1}{10} = \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{q}$$

$$\frac{1}{10} - \frac{1}{5} = \frac{1}{q}$$

$$\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1-2}{10}$$

$$\frac{1}{q} = -\frac{1}{10}$$

$$q = -10 \text{ cm}$$

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