

Mirror Practice Problems

1. A small object is placed 50 cm from a concave mirror with a focal length of 20 cm.
- How far is the image from the mirror? **+33.33cm**
 - Is the image on the same side of the mirror as the object? **YES BK d, is positive**
 - Is the image upright or inverted? **Inverted bk it is a real image**
 - Is the image real or virtual? **Real bk on some side of object (di =ve)**
 - If the object is 8 mm tall, how tall is the image?

$$-0.53\text{cm}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{f} &= \frac{1}{do} + \frac{1}{di} \\ \frac{1}{20\text{cm}} &= \frac{1}{50\text{cm}} + \frac{1}{di} \\ \frac{1}{100\text{cm}} - \frac{1}{100\text{cm}} &= \frac{1}{di} \\ \frac{3}{100\text{cm}} &= \frac{1}{di} \\ di &= \frac{100\text{cm}}{3} \\ di &= 33.33\text{cm} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{hi}{ho} &= \frac{-di}{do} \\ \frac{hi}{0.8\text{cm}} &= \frac{-33.33\text{cm}}{50\text{cm}} \\ hi &= -0.53\text{cm} \end{aligned}$$

2. A 6.0 cm pin is located 20 cm from a 25 cm focal length concave mirror. Determine the location, size, nature and orientation of the image of the pin. **S- larger (5x) A- upright (hi=ve) L- behind mirror T- virtual (di=ve)**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{f} &= \frac{1}{do} + \frac{1}{di} \\ \frac{1}{25\text{cm}} &= \frac{1}{20\text{cm}} + \frac{1}{di} \\ \frac{1}{100\text{cm}} - \frac{1}{100\text{cm}} &= \frac{1}{di} \\ \frac{-1}{100\text{cm}} &= \frac{1}{di} \\ di &= -100\text{cm} \\ m &= \frac{-di}{do} \\ &= \frac{-(-100\text{cm})}{20\text{cm}} \\ &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

3. A light source 30 cm from a concave mirror on the lab bench produces an image across the room on the wall, a distance of 10 metres away.

- a) What is the focal length of the mirror? **0.29m**
b) Is the image inverted or upright? **Inverted since $do > f$**
c) If the filament is 25 mm across, how big is the image? **-83cm**

$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{do} + \frac{1}{di}$$
$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{0.3m} + \frac{1}{10m}$$
$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{10}{3m} + \frac{0.3}{3m}$$
$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{10.3}{3m}$$
$$f = \frac{3m}{10.3} = 0.29m$$

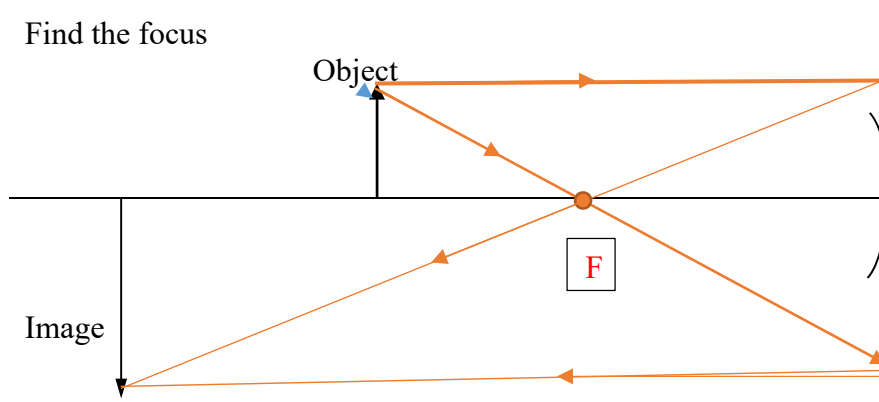
$$\frac{hi}{ho} = \frac{-di}{do}$$
$$\frac{hi}{0.025m} = \frac{10m}{0.3m}$$
$$hi = -0.83m$$
$$= -83cm$$

4. A concave mirror produces a real, inverted image of an object. The image is half the size of the object. If the object is 40 cm from the mirror, what is its focal length? **13.33cm**

$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{40cm} + \frac{1}{20cm}$$
$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{3}{40cm}$$
$$f = 13.33cm$$

5. Concave mirrors can be used as for shaving or applying make up. The face must be inside the focus. You hold a concave mirror, with a focal length of 40 cm, about 30 cm from your face. a) Where is your image located? **-120cm**
 b) How much bigger than your face is the image? **4x larger**

6. Find the focus



$$\frac{1}{40\text{cm}} = \frac{1}{30\text{cm}} + \frac{1}{di}$$

$$\frac{1}{120\text{cm}} - \frac{1}{120\text{cm}} + \frac{1}{di}$$

$$\frac{-1}{120\text{cm}} = \frac{1}{di}$$

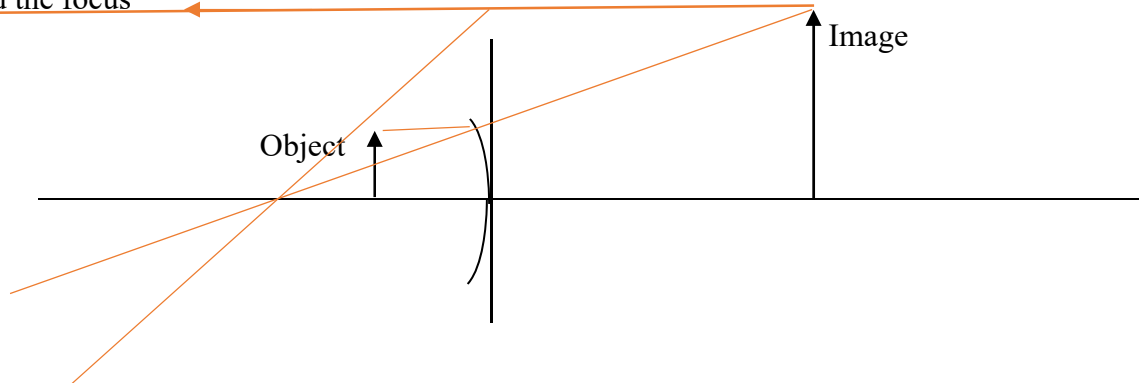
$$di = -120\text{cm}$$

$$m = \frac{-di}{do}$$

$$= \frac{-(-120\text{cm})}{30\text{cm}}$$

$$= 4$$

7. Find the focus



8. A convex mirror is placed on the ceiling at the intersection of two hallways. If a person stands directly underneath the mirror, the person's shoe is a distance of 195 cm from the mirror. The mirror forms an image of the shoe appearing 12.8cm behind the mirror's surface.
- What is the mirror's focal length? **-13.70**
 - What is the magnification of the image? **0.07**
 - Is the image real or virtual? **Virtual (always in context)**
 - Is the image upright or inverted? **Upright (always in context)**

$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{do} + \frac{1}{di}$$

$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{195} + \frac{1}{-12.8}$$

$$= \frac{12.8}{2496} - \frac{195}{2496}$$

$$= \frac{-182.2}{2496}$$

$$m = \frac{-(-12.8\text{cm})}{195\text{cm}} \\ = +0.066$$

$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{-182.2}{2496} \\ f = -13.70$$

9. A dentist uses a small mirror of radius 40mm to locate a cavity in a patient's tooth. The mirror is concave and held 16mm from the tooth.
- What is the magnification of the image? **5 x**
 - What is the mirror's focal length? **20 mm**
 - What is the distance of the image from the mirror? **-80mm**
 - Is the image real or virtual? **virtual**
 - Is the image upright or inverted? **Upright**

$$\frac{1}{20\text{mm}} = \frac{1}{16\text{mm}} + \frac{1}{di} \\ \frac{1}{20\text{mm}} - \frac{1}{16\text{mm}} = \frac{1}{di} \\ \frac{4}{80\text{mm}} - \frac{5}{80\text{mm}} = \frac{1}{di} \\ \frac{-1}{80\text{mm}} = \frac{1}{di} \\ di = -80\text{mm}$$

$$\text{radius} = C = 2f \\ 40\text{mm} = 2f \\ f = 20\text{m} \\ m = \frac{-di}{do} = \frac{-(-80\text{mm})}{16\text{mm}} \\ .5$$

10. A production line inspector wants a mirror that produces an upright image with a magnification of 7.5 when it is located 14.0 mm from a machine part.
- What kind of mirror would do this job? **Concave since M is +ve**
 - What is the radius of curvature? **C=2f= 32.4 mm**

+m so must be concave

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{f} &= \frac{1}{do} + \frac{1}{di} \\ &= \frac{1}{14\text{mm}} + \frac{1}{-105\text{mm}} \\ \frac{1}{f} &= \frac{13}{20} \quad f = 16.2\text{mm}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}m &= \frac{-di}{do} \\ 7.5 &= \frac{-di}{14\text{mm}} \quad -di = 105\text{mm}\end{aligned}$$

11. Penny wishes to take a picture of her image in a plane mirror. If the camera is 1.2m in front of the mirror, at what distance should the camera lens be focused? **2.4 m**

12. Draw the ray diagram to find the image

