

Lect 6 spherical mirrors

Focal point and focal length

* Concave mirror: at small angle

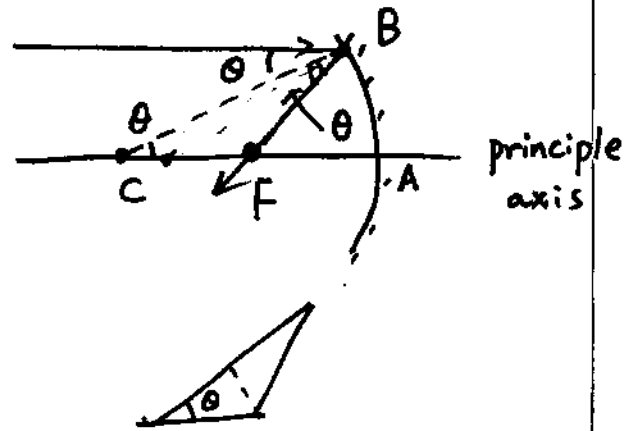
$$\triangle CFB: \angle BCF = \angle CBF = \theta$$

$$BC = R$$

AMPAD $\Rightarrow FC = BF = \frac{R}{2 \cos \theta}$

$$\approx \frac{R}{2} \text{ up to } \theta^2$$

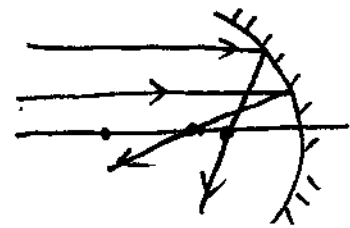
At small angles, all the reflect rays intersect at F with $CF = FA = \frac{r}{2}$.



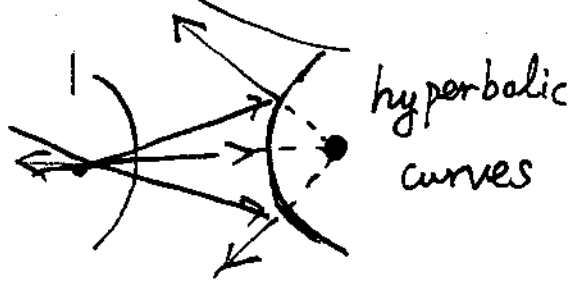
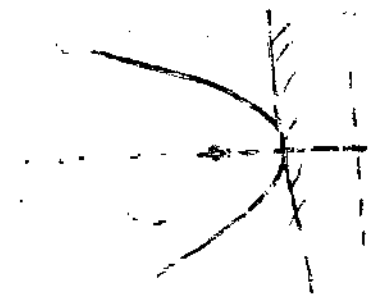
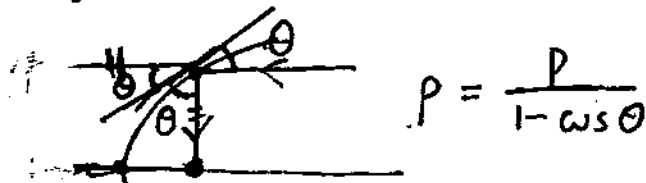
or $f = \frac{r}{2}$.

Spherical aberration: Actually CF has dependence on θ .

if θ goes larger, then CF becomes longer.

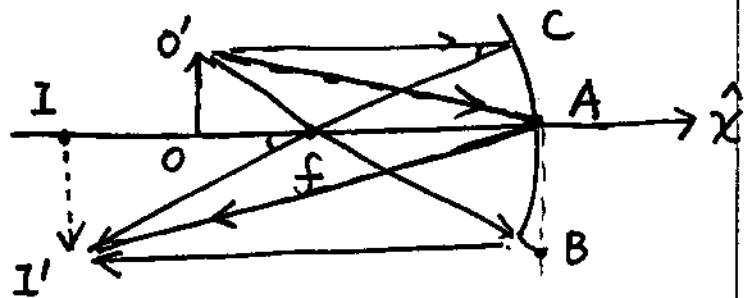


for a parabolic reflector, it has a perfect focus. (more expensive)



imagine formation:

if object distance $d_o > f$



$$\text{Rt } \Delta O'A O \sim \text{Rt } \Delta I'A I$$

because $\angle O'A O = \angle I'A I$

3 - special rays $O'A \perp$ lens

$O'f$

$O'C \parallel \hat{x}$

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$$\Rightarrow \frac{O'O}{I'I'} = \frac{OA}{IA} = \frac{d_o}{d_i}$$

$$\text{Rt } \Delta O'O'f \sim \text{Rt } \Delta B A f \Rightarrow \frac{O'O}{AB} = \frac{O'o}{I'I'} = \frac{Of}{fA} \Rightarrow \frac{d_o}{d_i} = \frac{d_o - f}{f}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{d_o} + \frac{1}{d_i} = \frac{1}{f} \quad \text{we have real image, inverted}$$

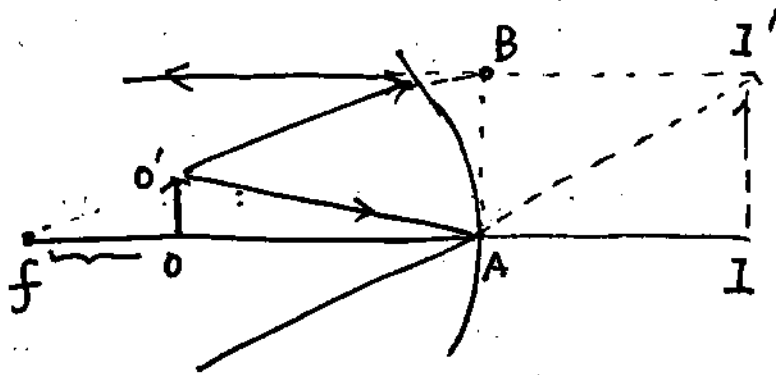
$$\text{lateral magnification } m = \frac{h_i}{h_o} = - \frac{d_i}{d_o}$$

if object distance is smaller than f i.e. $d_o < f$

image distance

is negative

$$\text{Rt } \Delta O'A O \sim \Delta I'A I$$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{O'O}{I'I'} = - \frac{d_o}{d_i}$$

$$\text{Rt } \Delta O'O'f \sim \text{Rt } \Delta B A f \Rightarrow \frac{O'O}{BA} = \frac{O'o}{I'I'} = \frac{f - d_o}{f} = \frac{Of}{fA}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{f - d_o}{f} = - \frac{d_o}{d_i} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{d_o} + \frac{1}{d_i} = \frac{1}{f} \Rightarrow m = \frac{h_i}{h_o} = - \frac{d_i}{d_o} > 1$$

Summary: concave mirror

$$\frac{1}{d_o} + \frac{1}{d_i} = \frac{1}{f} \quad \text{and} \quad m = -\frac{d_i}{d_o}$$

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① $d_o > 2f \Rightarrow 2f > d_i > f$ and $|m| < 1$

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real inverted, shrunken

② $2f > d_o > f \Rightarrow +\infty > d_i > 2f$ and $|m| > 1$

real inverted, magnified

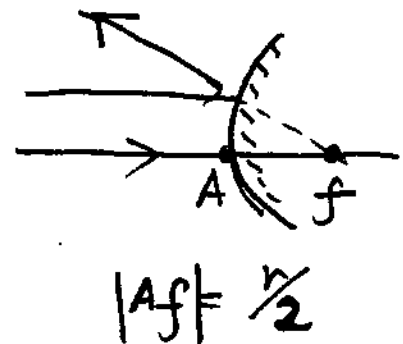
③ $f > d_o > 0 \Rightarrow \infty > |d_i| > f$ and $|m| > 1$

virtual upright magnified.

if we take $f = \infty \Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} d_o = -d_i \\ m = -1 \end{array} \right\}$ plane mirror

* how about convex mirrors

we only need to take $f = -\frac{r}{2}$
(on the other side of the mirror)



for a concave mirror, the formula

$$\frac{1}{d_o} + \frac{1}{d_i} = \frac{1}{f} \quad \text{is still valid, but } f < 0.$$

$$\frac{1}{d_i} = \frac{1}{f} - \frac{1}{d_o} < 0 \Rightarrow d_i < 0$$

$$\frac{1}{|d_i|} = \frac{1}{|f|} + \frac{1}{d_o} \Rightarrow |d_i| < d_o \Rightarrow |m| = \frac{|d_i|}{d_o} < 1$$

} upright
virtual
shrunked

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