

## Light – Mirrors & Lenses (Quick Revision Notes)

### 1. Mirror Formula

$$1/f = 1/v + 1/u$$

### 2. Lens Formula

$$1/f = 1/v - 1/u$$

### 3. Sign Conventions

- Distances measured from pole/optical center
- Distances measured against incident light are negative
- Real image positive (mirror), virtual negative (mirror)
- Lenses: real image (+v), virtual image (-v)

### 4. Magnification

Mirror:  $m = -v/u$

Lens:  $m = v/u$

### 5. Ray Diagram Principles

#### Concave Mirror

- Ray parallel  $\rightarrow$  reflects through focus
- Ray through center of curvature  $\rightarrow$  returns back

#### Convex Mirror

- Always virtual, erect, diminished

#### Convex Lens

- Parallel ray  $\rightarrow$  refracts through focus
- Ray through center  $\rightarrow$  undeviated

#### Concave Lens

- Always virtual, erect, diminished

### 6. Quick Table

Concave Mirror → Real/Virtual images (depends on object)

Convex Mirror → Always Virtual

Convex Lens → Real/Virtual images

Concave Lens → Always Virtual

#### Useful Formulas

- Mirror/Lens formula:  $\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{v} \pm \frac{1}{u}$
- Magnification:  $m = \frac{v}{u}$  (lens);  $m = -\frac{v}{u}$  (mirror)