

Light & Vision

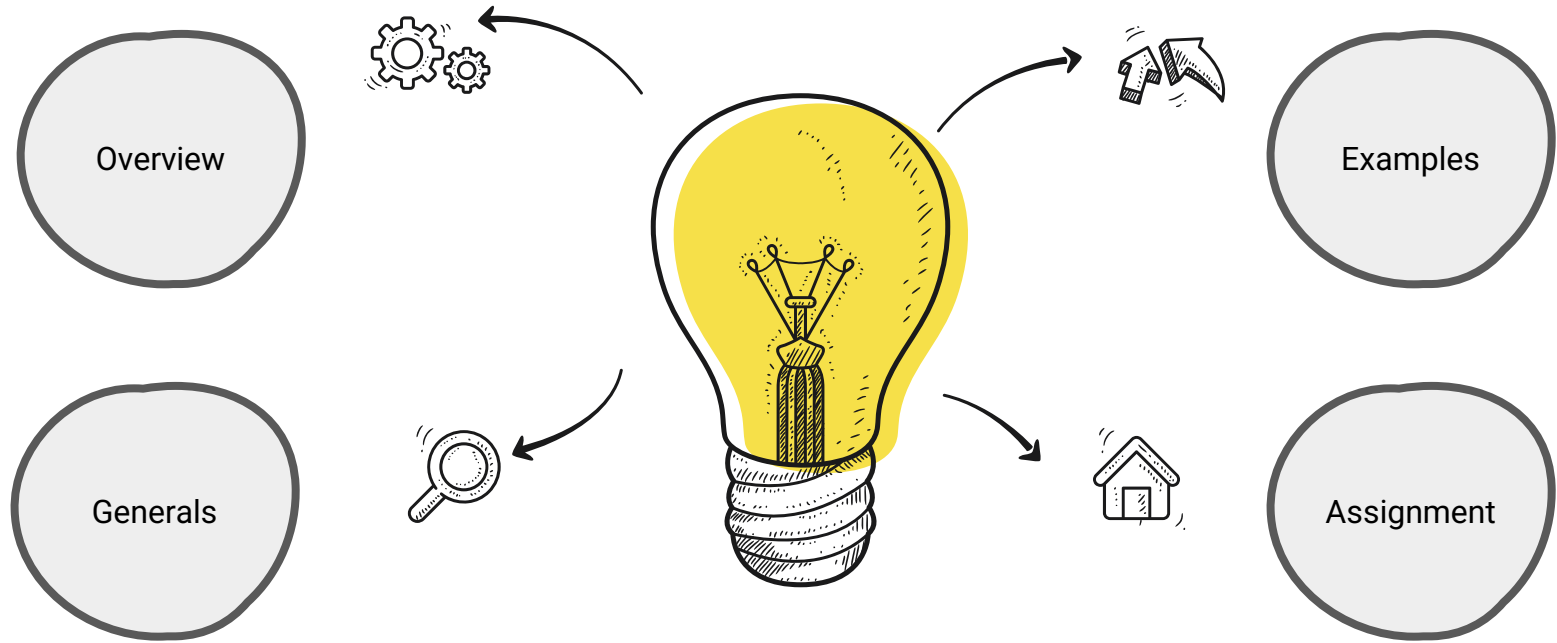
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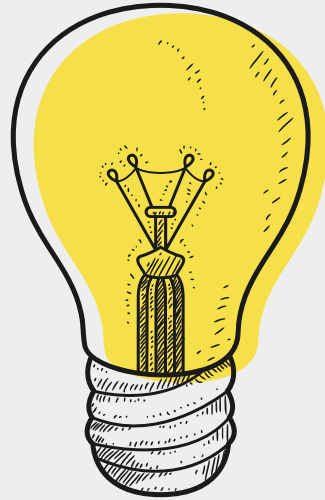


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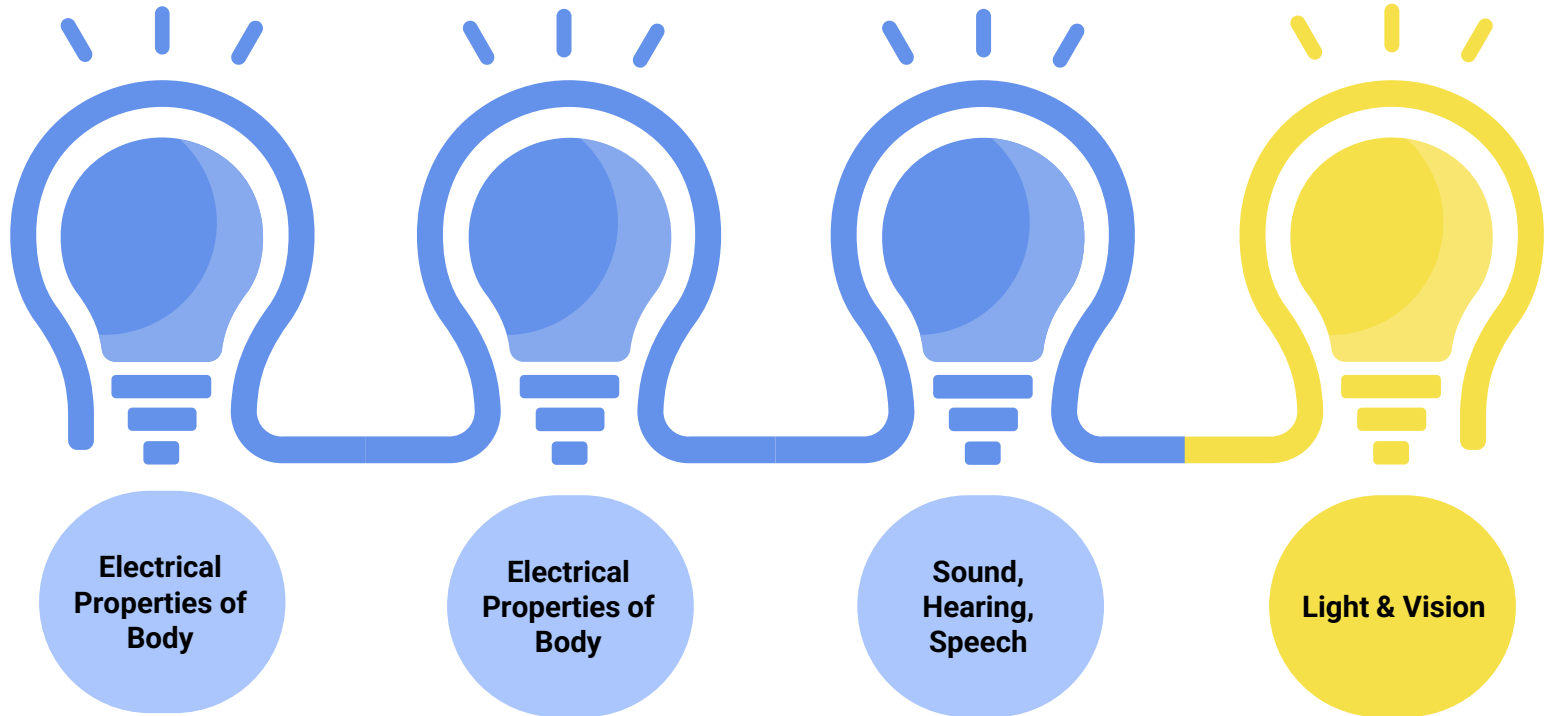


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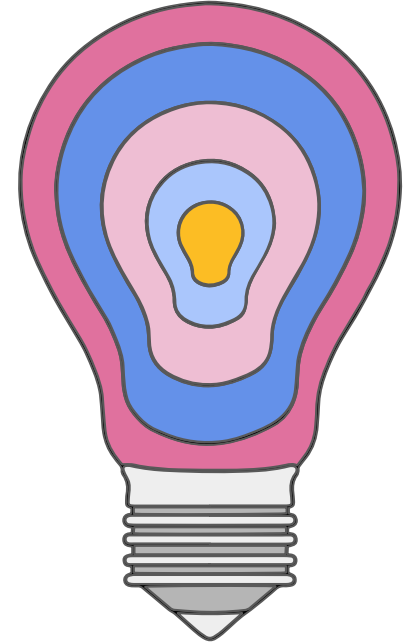


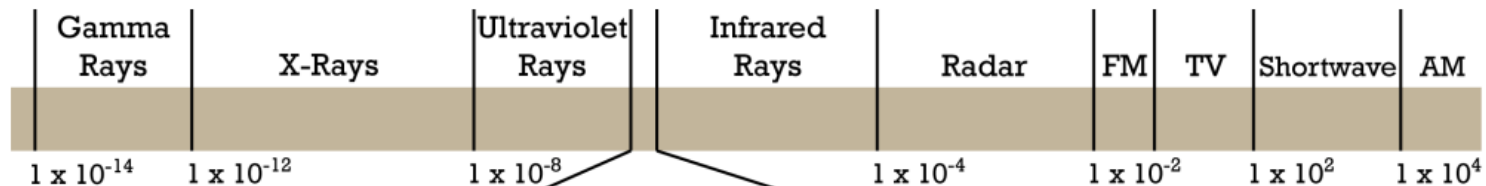
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Introduction

Our eyes image a source onto light-sensitive retinas. Cells in the retina convert the imaged light into electrical signals. This information is carried to the brain by neurons via the optic nerve. The visual cortex in the brain processes this information, and we somehow perceive a visual image. Each of these four steps in the vision process is important and contains interesting physics. The physics of the first step is the optics of imaging the source onto the retina and the second is the quantum physics of the absorption of light by the retina. The physics of the conduction of electrical signals in nerves is step three and we will discuss this in. Physical processes and processing are also important in the fourth step, within the. In this chapter, we will focus on the physics of imaging and briefly consider the absorption of light by retinal cells. Feedback and control are also important in vision. For example, the body controls the focal length of the eye lens (accommodation) to enable the imaging of both near and far objects and changes the diameter of the pupil to adjust the amount of light entering the eye





Wavelength (in meters)

Visible Light



4×10^{-7}

5×10^{-7}

6×10^{-7}

7×10^{-7}

Wavelength (in meters)

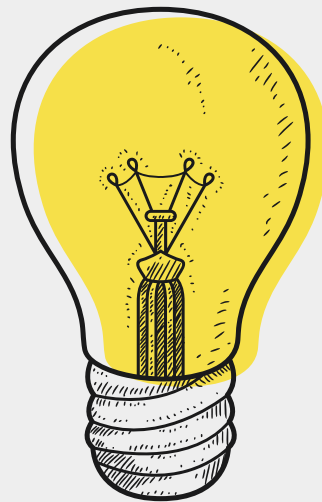


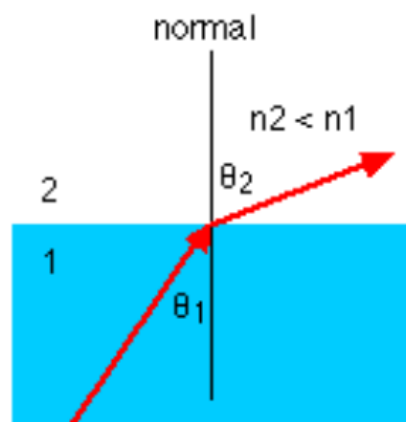
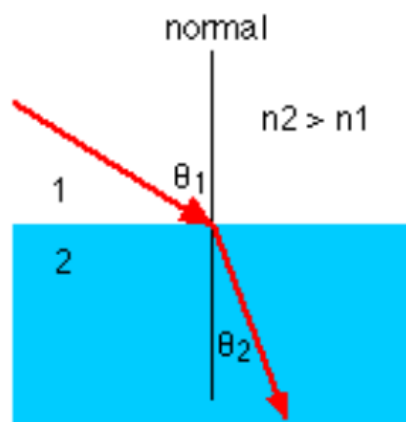




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Generals

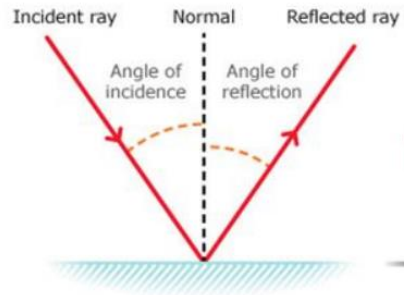




Snell's law : $n_1 \sin\theta_1 = n_2 \sin\theta_2$ or, equivalently, $\sin\theta_1 / \sin\theta_2 = v_1 / v_2$

**index of refraction : $n = c / v$ c : light speed in vacuum
 v : light speed in medium**

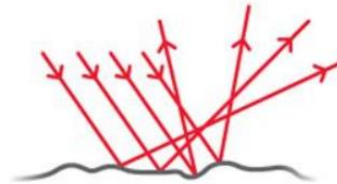
Mirror reflection



Specular reflection



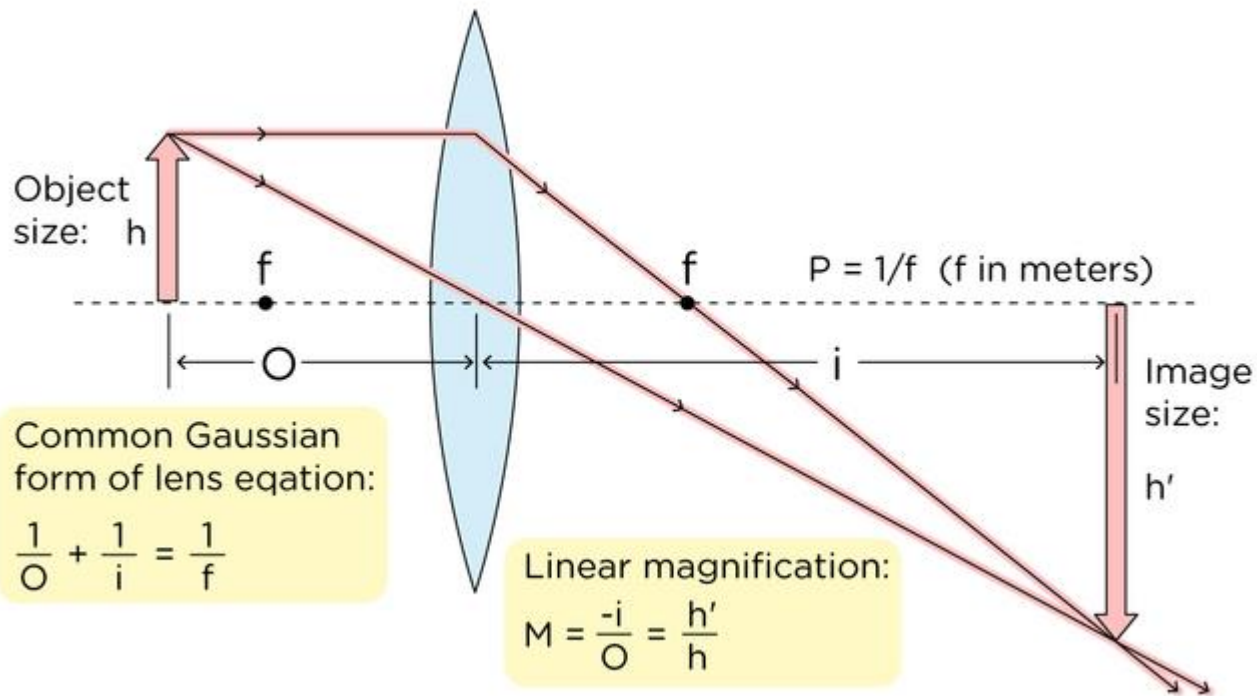
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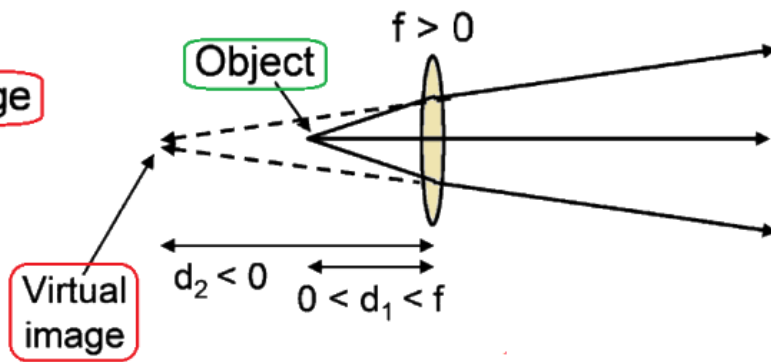
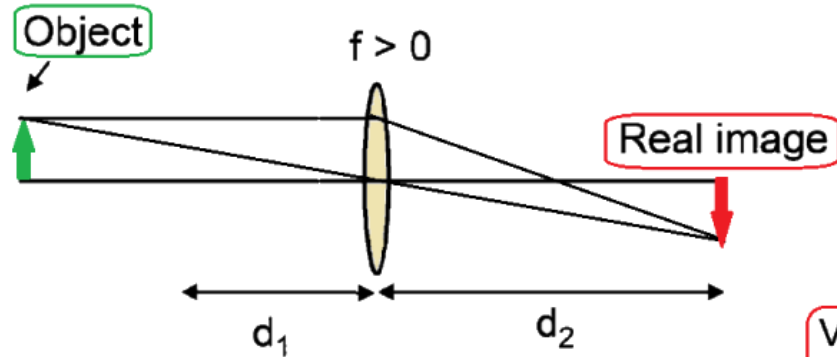
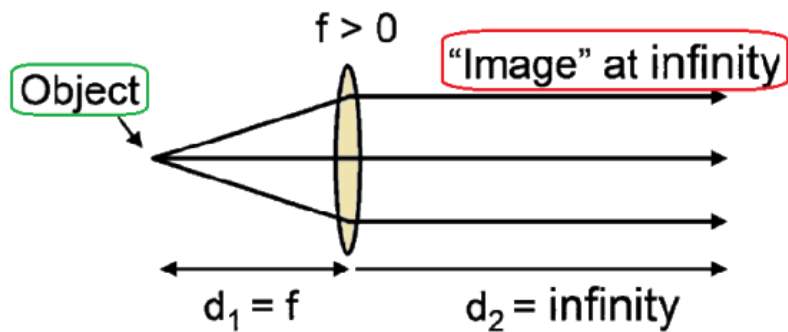
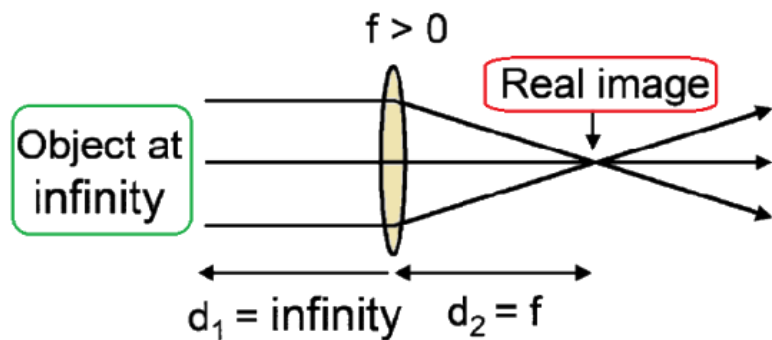


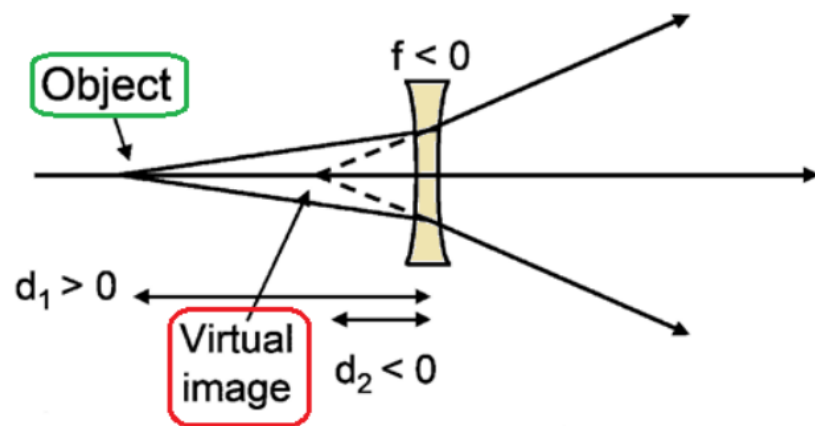
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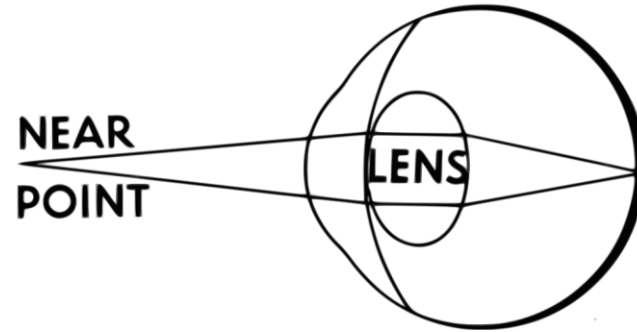
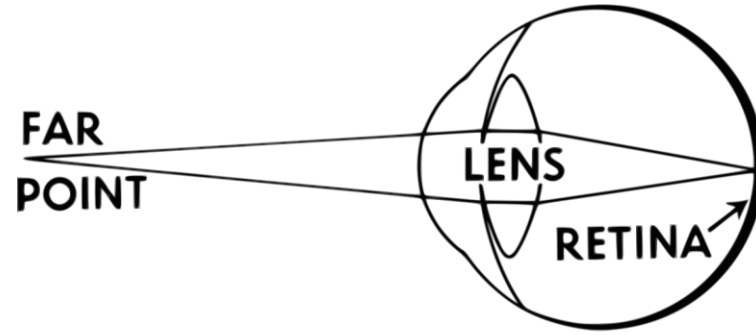
- Eyes that focus an image of the outside world on the retina.
- Nerves that send information to the brain.
- The visual cortex of the brain that analyzes information.

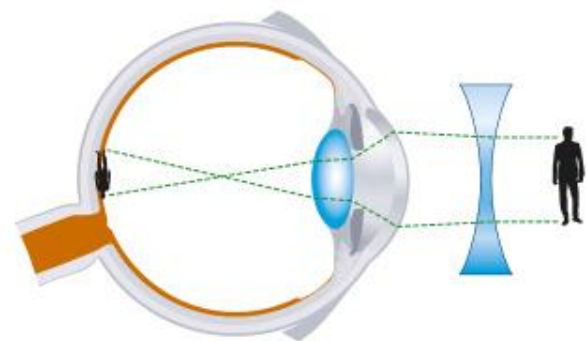
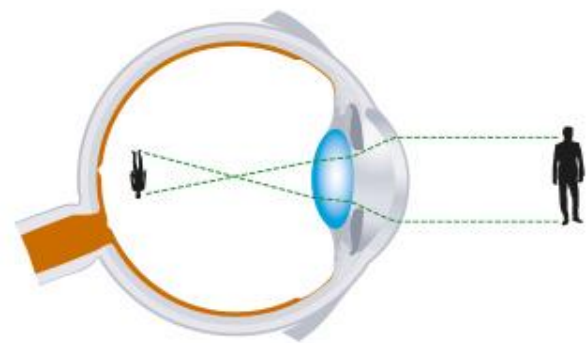




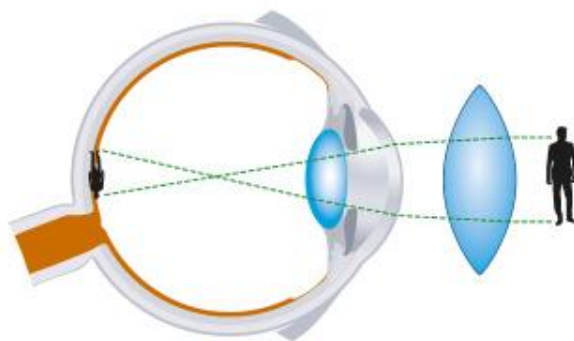
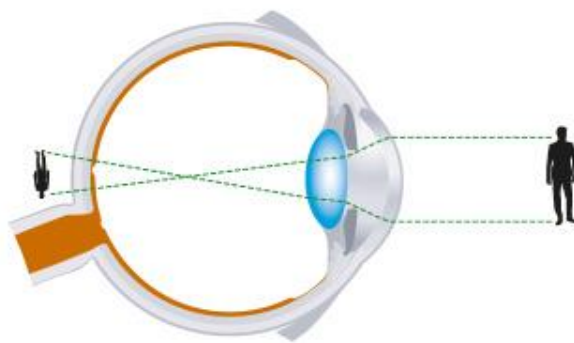


$$\frac{1}{d_1} + \frac{1}{d_2} = \frac{1}{f}.$$

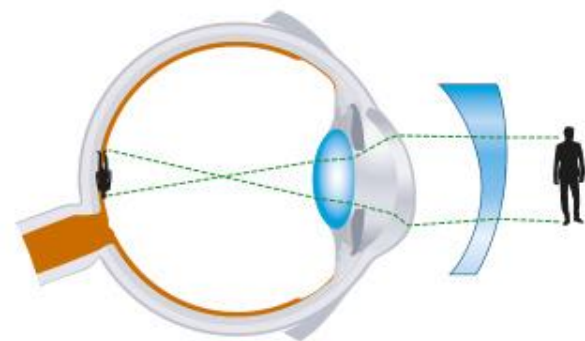
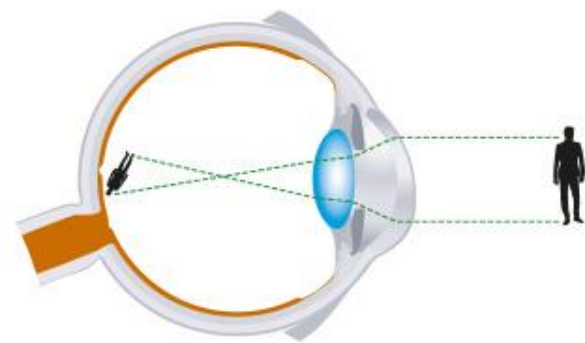




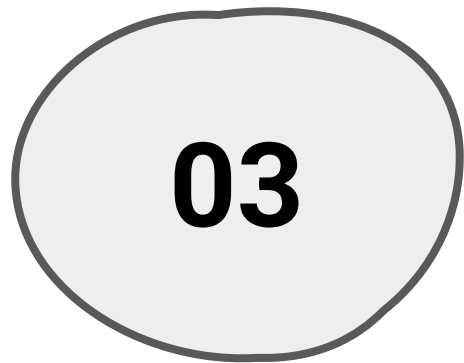
Myopia



Hyperopia



Astigmatism



Examples



Example 8-1

A person can focus his eye between 57 and 59 diopters. This person can clearly see a periodic star with a relaxed lens.

- A. What is the distance from the retina to the lens (eyeball length) of this person?
- B. Where is this person's closest point?
- C. What kind of glasses should this person use to bring his near point to the normal state (25 cm)?

Example 8-1

Answer:

A)

$$\frac{1}{d_1} + \frac{1}{d_2} = \frac{1}{f} \longrightarrow \frac{1}{\infty} + \frac{1}{d_2} = +57$$

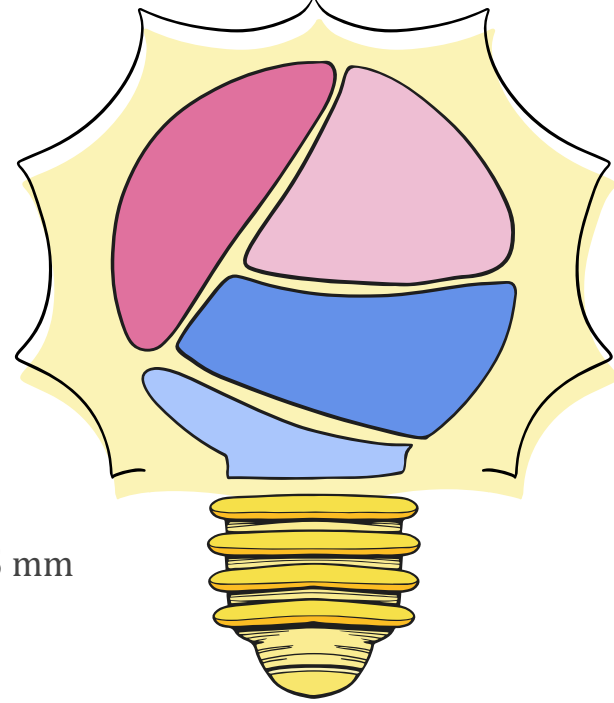
$$d_2 = \frac{1}{57} = 0.0175 \longrightarrow \text{eyeball length: 17.5 mm}$$

B)

$$\frac{1}{d_1} + \frac{1}{d_2} = \frac{1}{f} \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{d_2} = 57} \frac{1}{d_1} + 57 = 59 \rightarrow d_1 = 50 \text{ cm}$$

C)

$$\frac{1}{0.25} + 57 = \frac{1}{f} \rightarrow \frac{1}{f} = 61 \rightarrow \text{This person needs a pair of glasses with a positive power of 2 and a convex shape}$$



Example 8-2

If a ray with an angle of 20 degrees (relative to the perpendicular line) hits the surface of the cornea, will the ray entering the cornea have a smaller angle than the perpendicular line or a larger one? Assume that the surface of the cornea is flat.

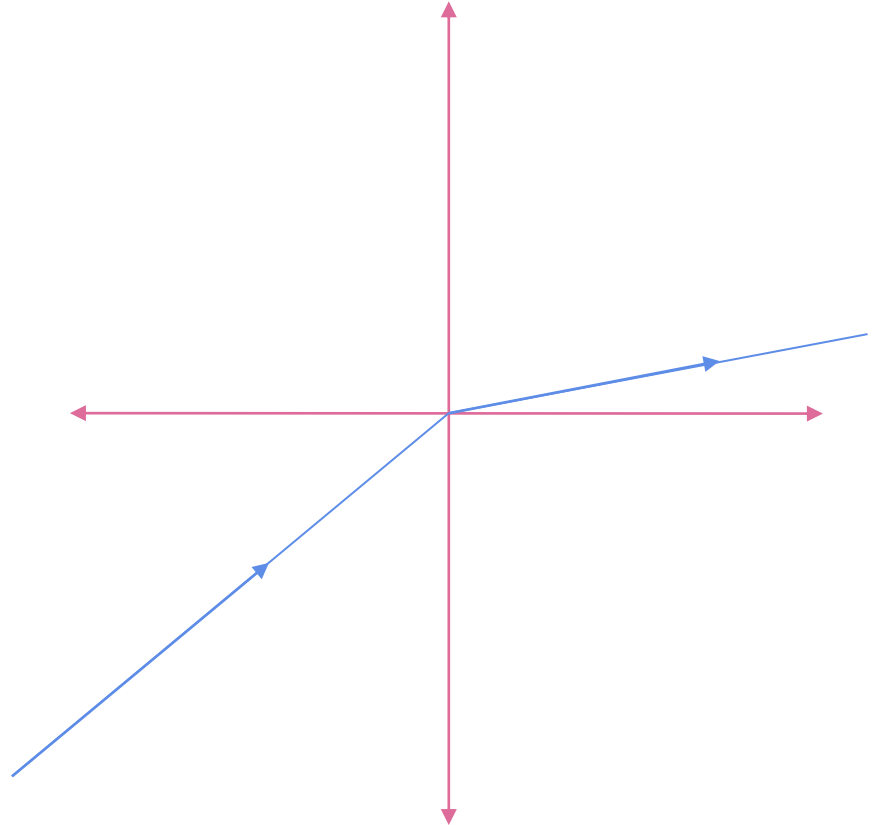
Example 8-2

Answer:

$$n_{\text{air}} = 1, n_{\text{cornea}} = 1.37$$

$$\text{snell's law } n_1 \sin \theta_1 = n_2 \sin \theta_2 \rightarrow \frac{n_1}{n_2} = \frac{\sin \theta_2}{\sin \theta_1}$$

$$n_{\text{cornea}} > n_{\text{air}} \rightarrow \theta_{\text{cornea}} < \theta_{\text{air}}$$



Example 8-3

A person with Hyperopia uses D2 glasses to read 25 cm. What is his near vision without glasses?

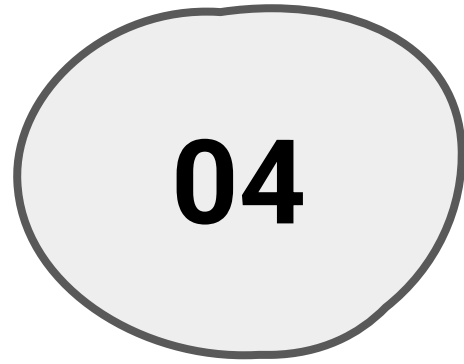
Example 8-3

Answer:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{d_2} &= \frac{1}{f} \\ \frac{1}{0.25} + \frac{1}{d_2} &= \frac{1}{f'} = \frac{1}{f} + 2D \end{aligned} \right\} \frac{1}{0.25} + \frac{1}{d_2} = \left(\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{d_2} \right) + 2$$

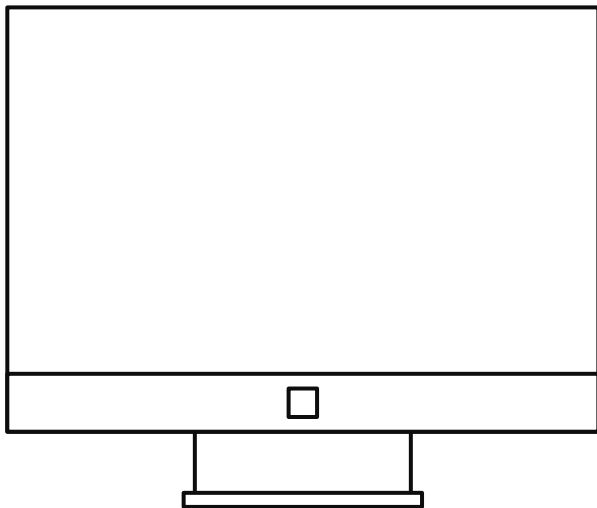
$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{x} = 2 \rightarrow x = 0.5 \text{ m or } 50 \text{ cm}$$





Assignment





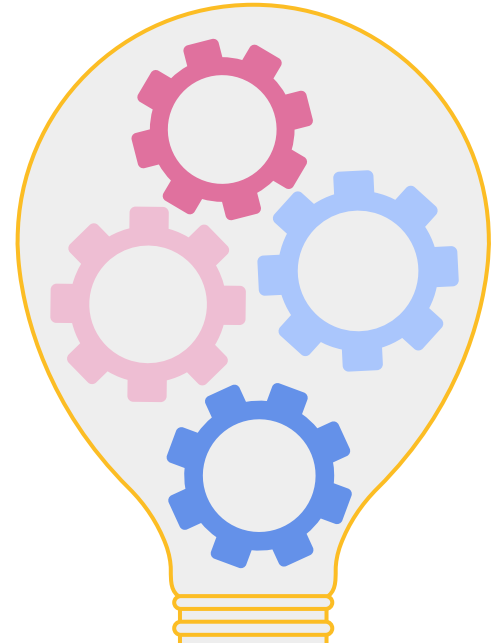
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As you know, there are two groups of light-sensitive cells in the retina.
Check these two groups in terms of different characteristics.



Resources

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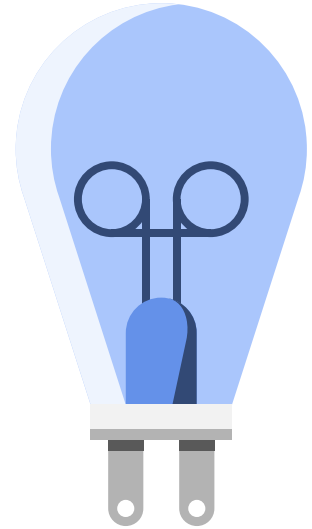
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Faezeh Jahani:

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biological and medical physics, biomedical engineering

- The reference book



Thanks!

Does anyone have any questions?

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