

# FROM LAST DAY

• Anna Litical is doing the Plane Mirror Lab in physics class. She places a pin a distance of 4.9 cm from a plane mirror. How far behind the mirror can the image be expected to appear?

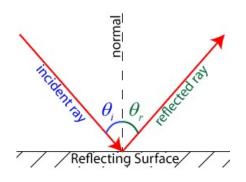
The image will be 4.9cm away!

## TRY THIS

Work through the Law of Reflection Lab handout

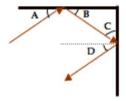
# THE LAW OF REFLECTION

- The angle the ray comes into the mirror with will be equal to the angle the ray leaves with
- $\Theta_i = \Theta_r$



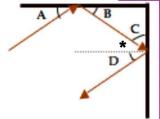
### PRACTICE

• In a physics lab, Ray Zuvlite arranges two mirrors with a right angle orientation as shown. Ray then directs a laser line at one of the mirrors. The light reflects off both mirrors as shown. If angle A is 38°, then what is the angle measure of angles B, C, and D?



### RAY ZUVLITE ANSWER

- $\bullet$  A and B must be equal because  $\Theta_i = \Theta_r$
- $\ensuremath{\, \bullet \,}$  B and C add to 90° because of the right angle triangle
- C and \* add to 90° because they are complimentary
- $\bullet$  D and \* are equal because  $\Theta_i = \Theta_r$



#### TRY THIS

- Grab two plane mirrors, a protractor and an object
- Place the mirrors at 180°. Place the object in front of the mirror. How many images do you see?
- Place the mirrors at 90°. Place the object in front of the mirrors. How many images do you see?
- Keep moving the mirrors in until you see 4, images, then 5, then 6, then 7, and so on until you cannot reduce the angle anymore.

#### DESCRIBING THE IMAGE

- We can characterize the 4 key changes to an image using the acronym SALT
  - S is for SIZE (larger, same, smaller)
  - A is for ALTITUDE (upright, inverted)
  - L is for LOCATION (behind or in front of mirror)
  - T is for Type (real, virtual)
- Or you can use LOST\*\*
  - Location, Orientation, Size and Type
  - \*\* You choose, you need 4 key pieces!!!

