

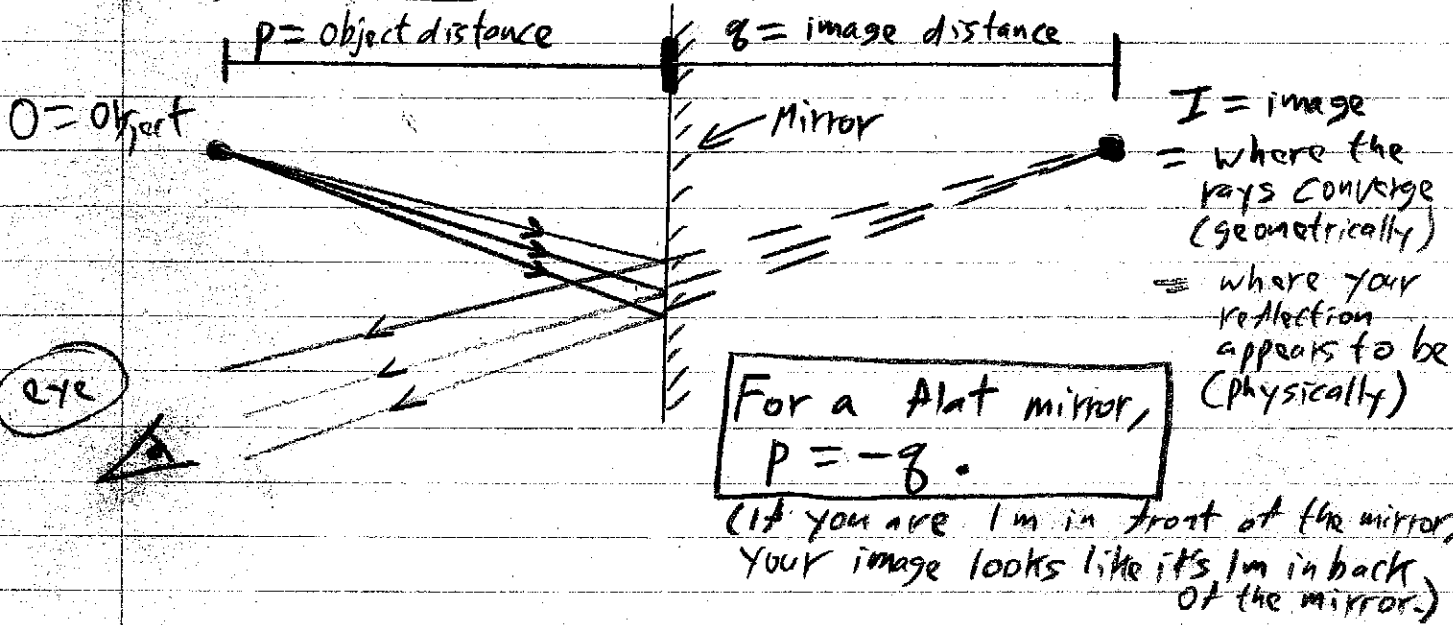
(Today: cover mirrors.  
Next class: cover lenses.)

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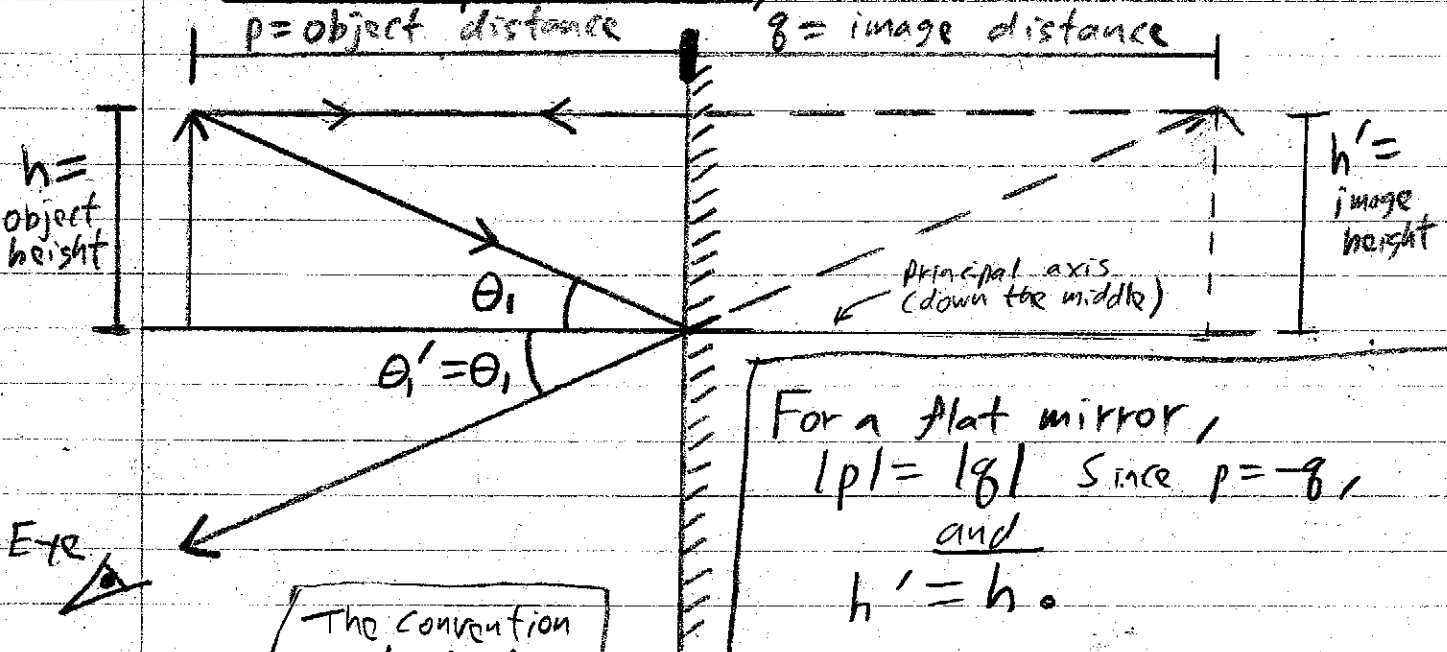
# Chapter 35 - Image Formation,

with applications of reflection and refraction,  
with mirrors and lenses.

Plane ("flat") mirrors are the simplest and cheapest mirrors



In standard optical notation, this is:



The convention in standard optical notation is for the incoming light to go from left to right.

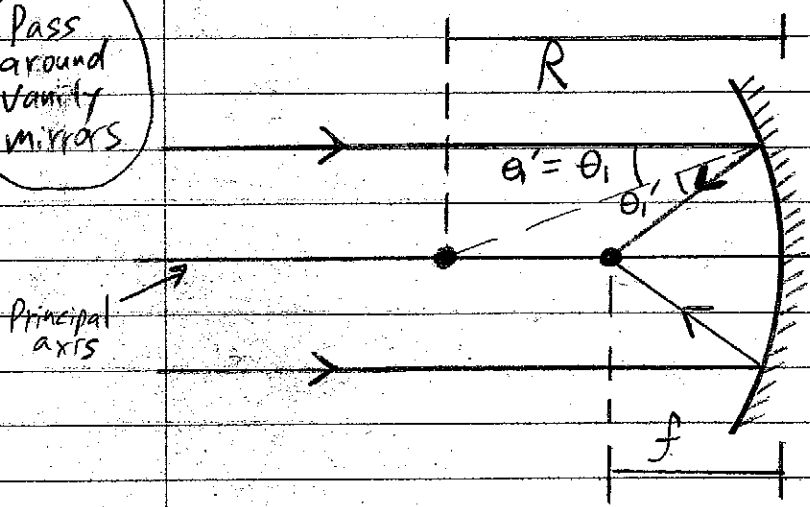
Magnification  $M \equiv \frac{h'}{h} = -\frac{q}{p}$ , always

For a flat mirror,  $M = 1$ .

Spherical mirrors - have radius  $R$ , "radius of curvature"

Concave mirrors curve inward:  $R > 0$ , since the center of curvature is in front of the mirror.

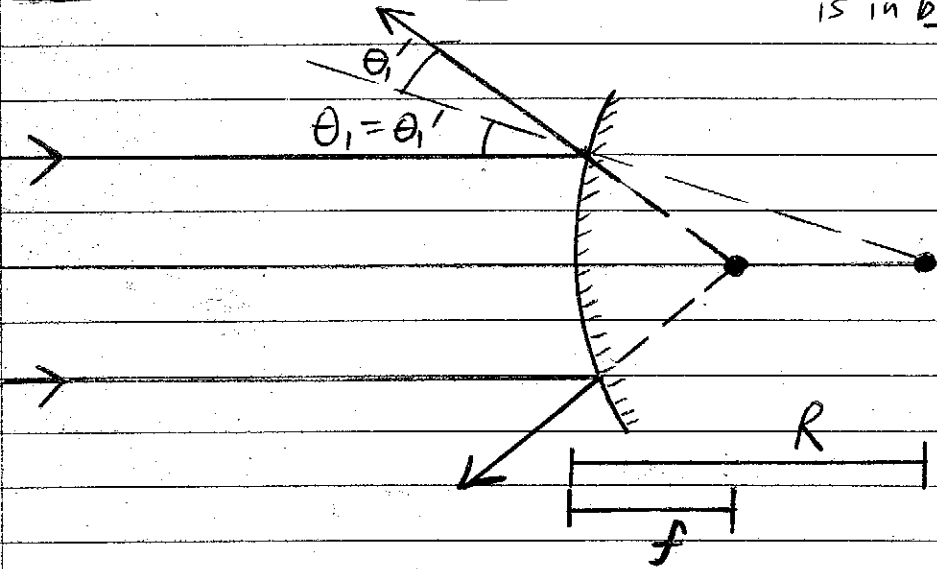
Pass around vanity mirrors



Focal length  
 $f = R/2$

(Draw with big protractor, to demonstrate  $f = R/2$ .)

Convex mirrors curve outward:  $R < 0$ , since the center of curvature is in back of the mirror.



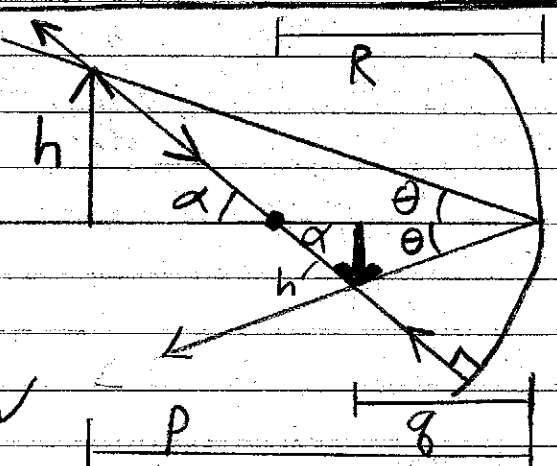
Show overhead -  
 Sign conventions for mirrors

The Mirror Equation (derived in text)

$$\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = \frac{2}{R}$$

object distance    image distance

Don't show this derivation, unless someone asks.



$$\tan \alpha = \frac{h}{p-R} = -\frac{h}{R-q}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{h'}{h} = -\frac{R-q}{p-R} = \frac{q}{p} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = \frac{2}{R} \checkmark$$

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The sign conventions for mirrors are defined such that  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = \frac{2}{R}$  for all mirrors, always.

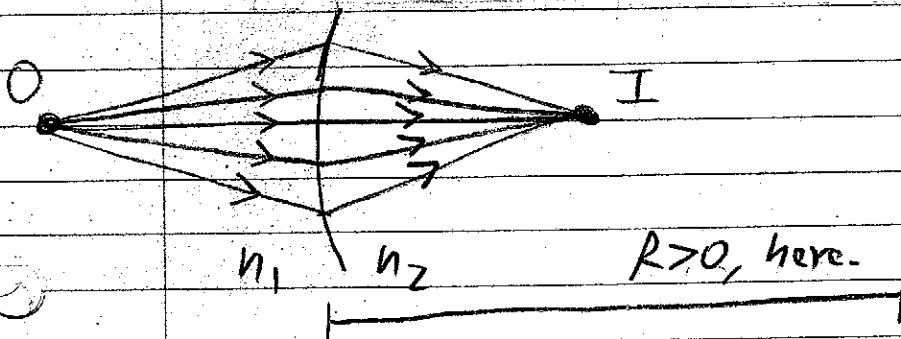
So are the sign conventions for lenses, which are different: see page 2 of the Phys 4C Formula List.

→ Lenses and mirrors complement each other.

Images formed by refraction (lenses) —

(1) Spherical surface — 
$$\frac{n_1}{p} + \frac{n_2}{q} = \frac{n_2 - n_1}{R}$$

(derived in text)



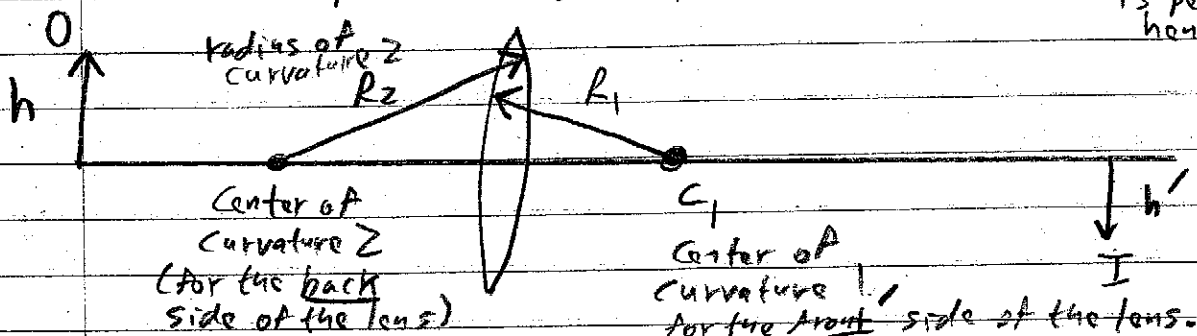
Here,  $R > 0$  if the center of curvature is on the back side of the surface, unlike a mirror.

(2) Flat surface = a "flat" lens, or a pane of glass

$R \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \frac{n_1}{p} = -\frac{n_2}{q}$ , so: 
$$q = -\frac{n_2}{n_1} p$$

⇒ A fish in water looks deeper than it is.

(3) Thin lenses — can be thought of as two spherical surfaces "pasted together," to form a lens (and assuming the glass in between is perfectly transparent hence negligible)



The Lensmaker's Equation (derived in text)

$$\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = (n-1) \left( \frac{1}{R_1} - \frac{1}{R_2} \right) = \frac{1}{f}$$

This assumes a glass lens (n) in air.

OR:  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{f}$  the thin-lens equation = the mirror equation!

The sign conventions for mirrors and lenses (given on page 2 of the Phys 4C Formula List) are different, because they're defined such that the thin lens/mirror equation is always true.

As always, Magnification  $M = \frac{h'}{h} = -\frac{q}{p}$ .  
→ Notice that lenses and mirrors complement each other.

Combinations of lenses -

$$\frac{1}{f_1} + \frac{1}{f_2} = \frac{1}{f}$$

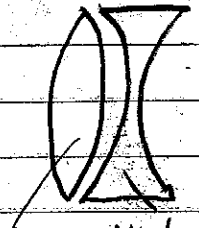
$$M = M_1 M_2$$

Also, for two lenses,  $q_1 = p_2$  (Is this OK? CHECK)  
(the image distance for lens 1 = the object distance for the next lens).

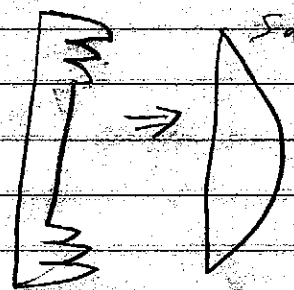
Examples -

Achromatic doublet -  
reduces chromatic aberration  
(color error, due to refraction)

Fresnel lens -  
(in overhead projector) -



Crown glass  $n=1.52$   
Flint glass  $n=1.66$

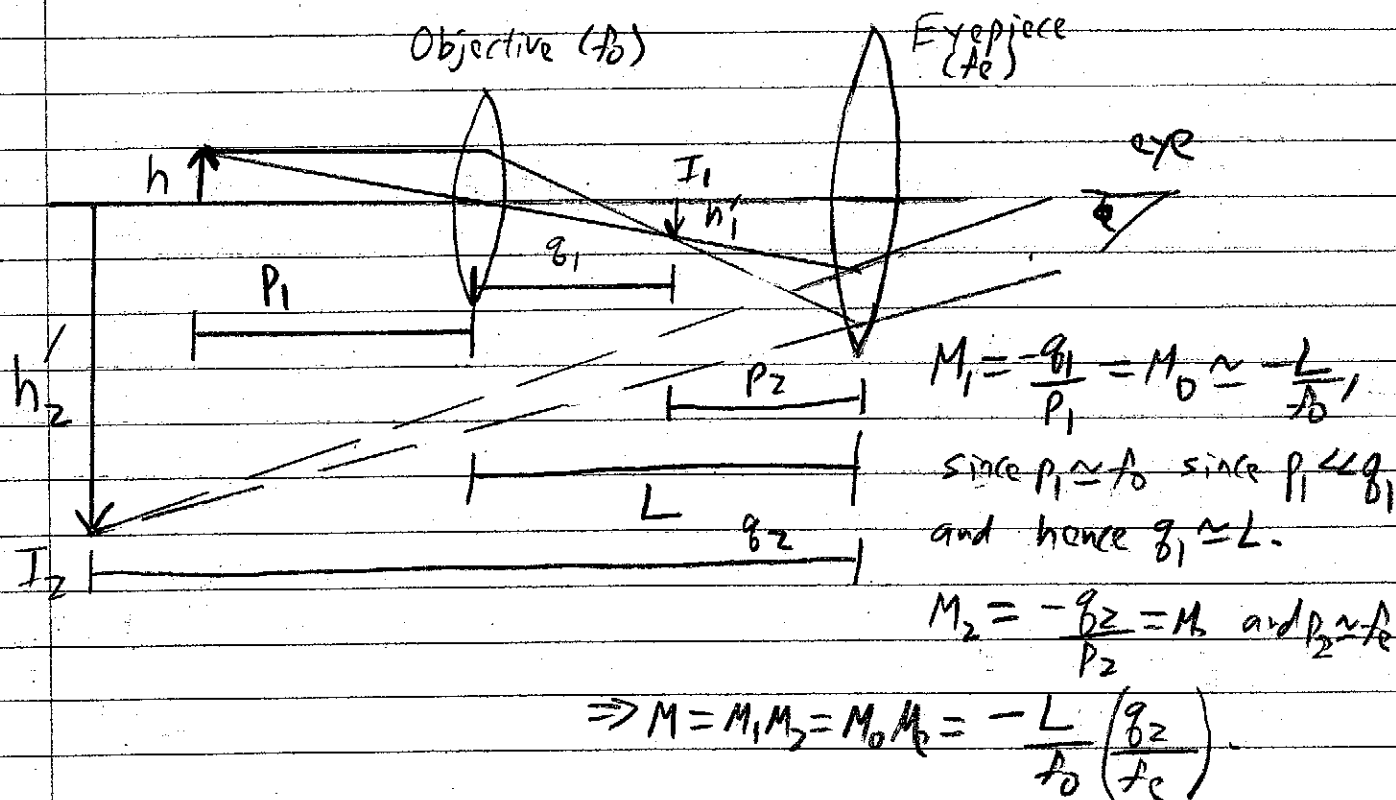


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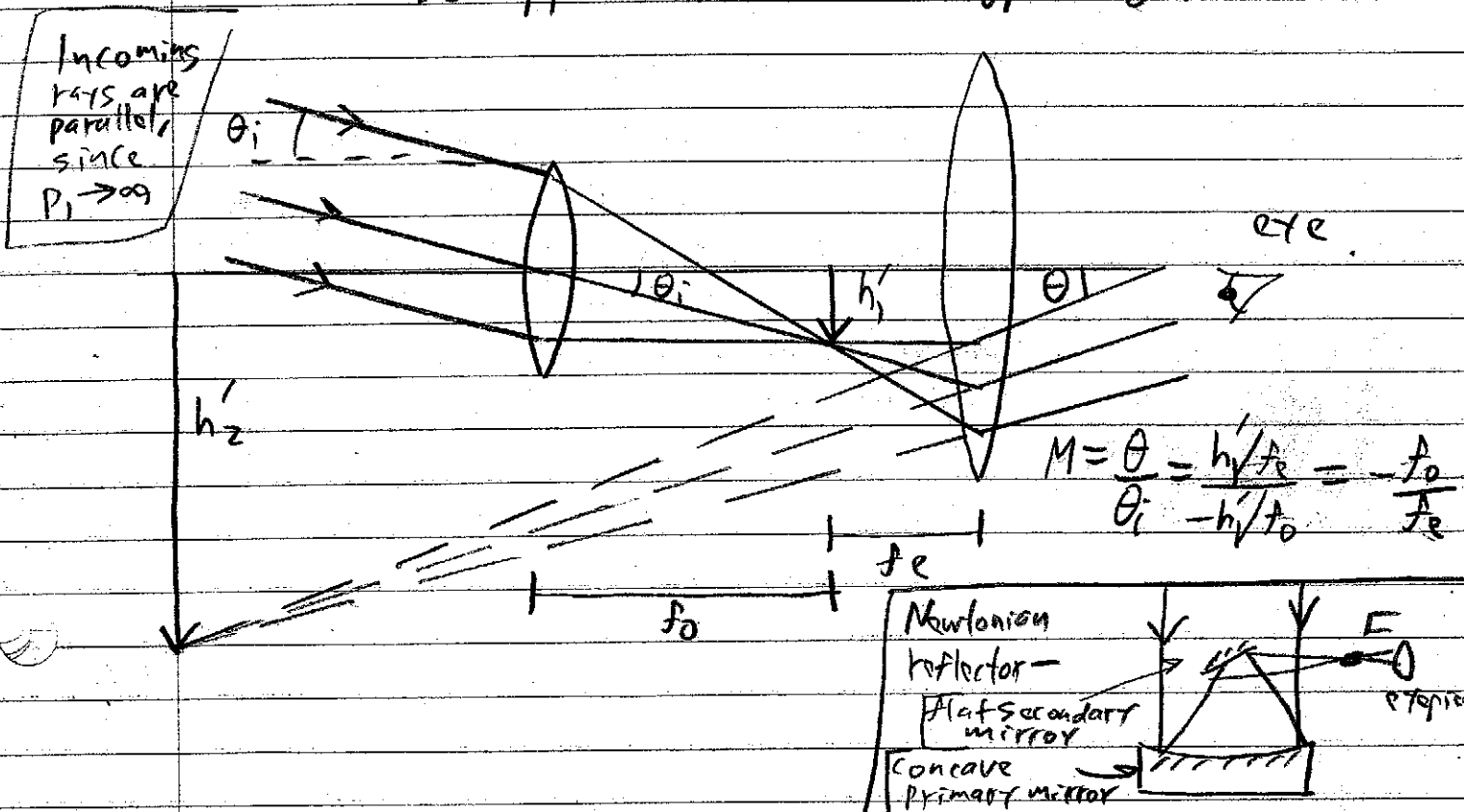
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Microscopes - show a greatly magnified image for small  $P_1$ , that's still in focus. (The rays are nearly parallel.)



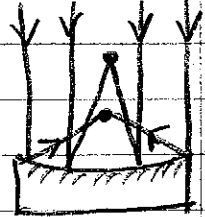
Telescopes - magnify images of distant objects, so  $P_1 \rightarrow \infty$  and so  $q_1 \approx f_o$ .



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Aberrations - Chromatic (colors spread out by refraction in lenses)



- coma (can't focus off-axis)
- astigmatism (point sources become lines, especially off-axis)
- spherical (can't focus to a precise point)
- Others!

The Camera -  $f$ -number  $\equiv \frac{f}{D}$

$D$  = aperture = diameter of objective lens or mirror.

$I$  (onto film or digital detector)  $\propto \frac{1}{(f/D)^2} = \frac{1}{(f\text{-number})^2}$

A "fast" lens has  $\frac{f}{D} \lesssim 6$  ( $f/6$  or less, e.g.  $f/2$ )

Very fast is  $f/1$ , a can of tuna!

The Eye

Nearsightedness: image in front of retina  $\rightarrow$  correct with diverging lens  
(Eyes look smaller, through glasses)

Farsightedness: image in back of retina  $\rightarrow$  correct with converging lens  
(Eyes look big)