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COURSE CODE: PHYS 122

COURSE TITLE: GEOMETRIC OPTICS

STREAM: SESSION II

DAY: SATURDAY

TIME: 9.00 - 11.00 A.M.

DATE: 28/11/2009

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer Question 1 (compulsory) and any other two

You may need the following:

- 1. Acceleration due to gravity $g = 9.8 \text{ ms}^{-2}$
- 2. Refractive index of water $\eta = 1.33$
- 3. Index of refraction $\eta = -$
 - Symbols have usual meaning

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QUESTION ONE

- (a) The law of Refraction is defined through the Relationship $\frac{\theta}{\theta} = = \text{constant}$ where θ is the speed of light in the first medium and is the speed of light in the second medium.
 - (i) Show that Snell's law is given by $\sin \theta = \sin \theta$. (2 mks)
 - (ii) Explain what happens to the frequency, wave length and speed as light travels from one medium into another. (3 mks)
 - (iii) Is it possible to have total internal reflection for light incident from air on water? Explain (4 mks)
- (b) The arc of a rainbow appears with Red on top and violet on the bottom. Explain (3 mks)
- (c) Objects viewed under water with naked eye appear blurred and out of focus.

 A diver using a mask has a clear view of under water objects. Explain (4 mks)
- (d) What happens to the focal length of any lens of index of refraction η when it is immersed in a fluid which has an index of refraction of η ? (7 mks)
- (e) Two thin converging lens of focal lengths = 8 cm and = 10 are separated by 12 cm. Find the position and magnification of final image if the object is 25 cm to the left of first lens. (8 mks)
- (f) You wish to reflect sunlight from a mirror out some paper in order to start a fire. What type of mirror do you need and why? (3 mks)
- (g) If you want to focus the image of on object close to the camera, how can you adjust the converging lens? (2 mks)
- (h) Explain the difference between spherical and chromatic can a curved mirror have? Why?

QUESTION TWO

A ball is dropped at t = 0 from rest 3 cm directly above the vertex of a mirror that has a radius of curvature of 1.5m.

Describe the image of the ball;

(i) At
$$= \mathbf{0}$$
 (8 mks)

(ii) When the ball just touches the vextex of mirror. (3 mks)

QUESTION THREE

A thin hollow air convex lens is immersed in tank of water. The hollow lens has radii 20 cm and 30 cm respectively

- (i) Calculate the focal length of this air lens.
- (ii) A fish at a distance of 2 cm swims away from the lens at speed of 2cm S⁻¹. Find the speed of the image.

QUESTION FOUR

Two mirrors are at an angle of α with each other. A ray is incident on the first mirror at an angle θ to the normal.

(a) Find the direction β of the ray after it is reflected from the second mirror.

(11 mks)

(b) Determine the condition for which;

(i)
$$\beta = \alpha$$
 (2 mks)

(ii) Light is reflected straight back to its origin ($\beta = 180^{\circ}$) (2 mks)