

## REFLECTION AT CURVED SURFACES

**1. 1994 Q1a P2**

(a) Draw a ray diagram to show what is meant by

(i) The principal focus and

(ii) The focal length of a concave mirror.

(3 marks)

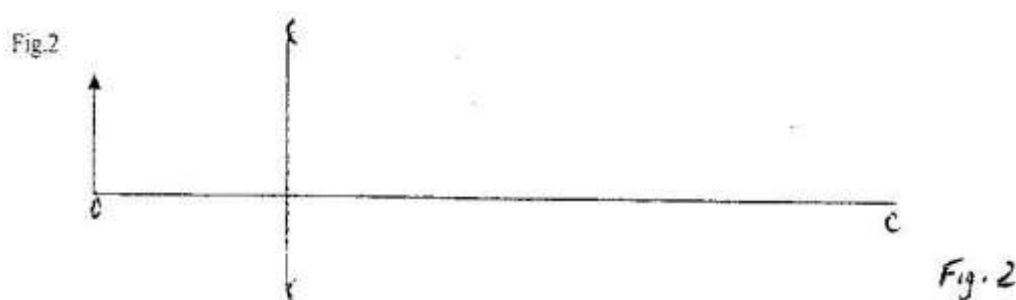
**2. 1995 Q36 P1**

Explain with the aid of a labelled ray diagram the wide field of view of a convex mirror

(2 marks)

**3. 1995 Q3a P2**

(a) An object O is placed in front of convex mirror as shown in figure 2



(i) Draw to scale a ray diagram to show the position of the image

(5 marks)

(ii) Determine the magnification

(3 marks)

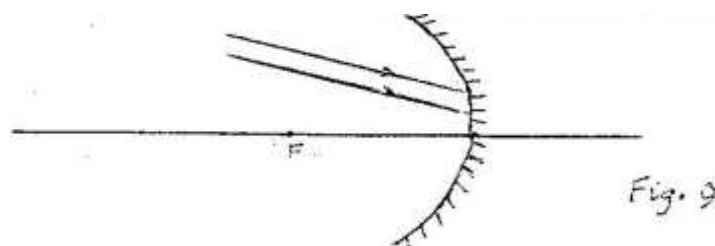
**4. 1996 Q22 P1**

A lady holds a large concave of focal length 1 m, 80 cm from her face, state two characteristics of her image in the mirror

(2 marks)

**5. 1997 Q26 P1**

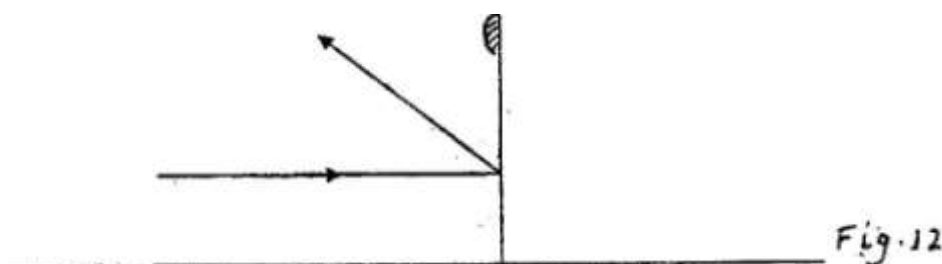
Figure 9 shows two parallel rays incident on a concave mirror. F is the focal point of the mirror.



Sketch on the same diagram the path of the rays after striking the mirror

**6. 2000 Q23 P1**

Fig. 12 shows a ray of light incident on a convex mirror.



Using a suitable construction on the same diagram determine the radius of curvature of the mirror.

7. 2000 Q1 P2

a) i) State one application of each of the following.

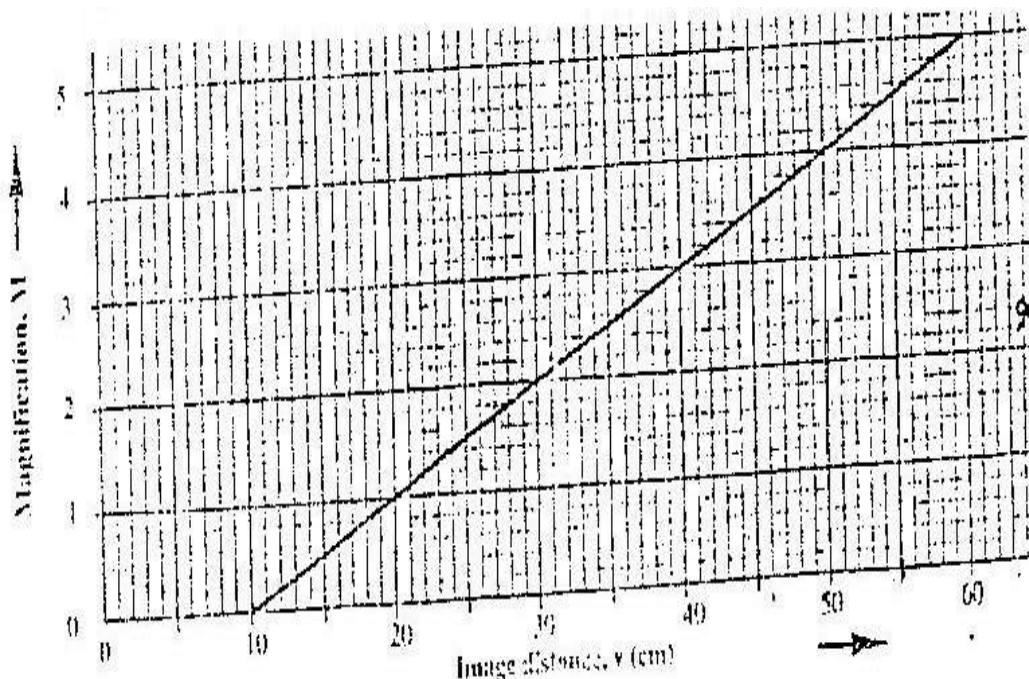
Convex mirror-  
Parabolic mirror –

ii) Fig. 1, which is drawn to a scale of 1:5, represents an object O and its image 'I' formed by a concave mirror.



By drawing suitable rays, locate and mark on the figure the position of the principal focus 'F' of the mirror. Determine the focal length  $f$ .

b) The graph in Fig. 2 shows the variation of magnification,  $M$  with image distance,  $v$  for a concave mirror.



Determine:

- The object position when the image position is 45cm
- The focal length of the mirror.

8. **2001 Q20 P1**

Fig. 13 shows a point object O placed in front of a concave mirror. Draw appropriate rays to locate the image of the object.

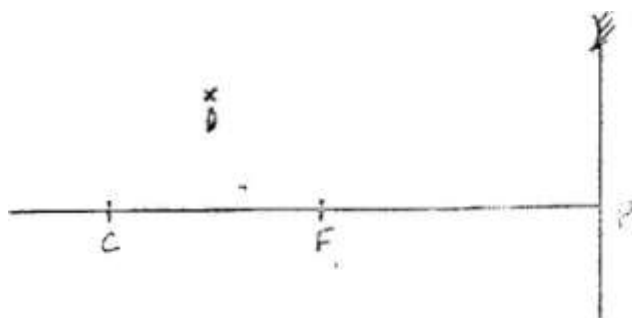
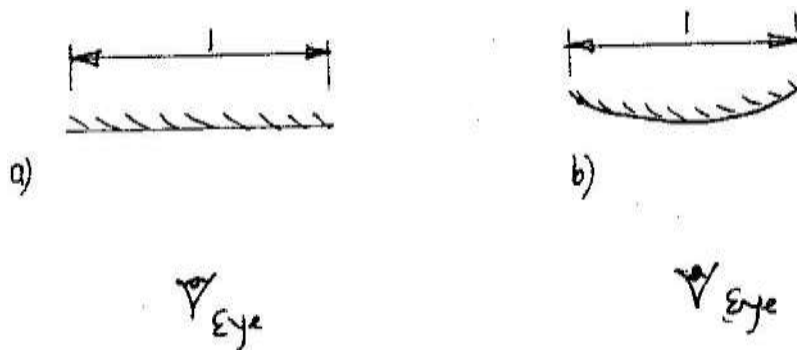


Fig. 13

9. **2003 Q29 P1**

Figure 16 (a) and (b) show a convex mirror and a plane mirror of equal aperture.

Figure 16



By sketching a pair of incident and reflected rays for each (a) and (b) show how the convex mirror provides to the eye, a wider field of view than the plane mirror.

10. **2004 Q23 P1**

Figure 12 shows a parabolic surface with a source of light placed at its focal point F

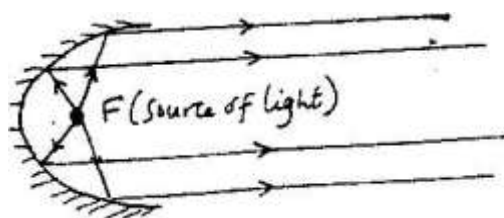


Fig. 12

Draw rays to show reflection from the surface when rays from the source strike the surface at points ABC and D.

11. 2005 Q22 P1

Fig. 12 shows a vertical object, O, placed in front of a convex mirror.

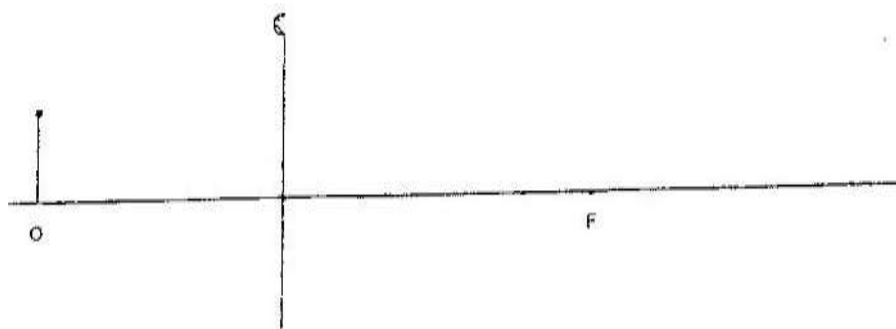


Fig 12

On the same diagram draw the appropriate rays and locate the image formed  
(3 marks)

12. 2010 Q5 P2

Figure 4, shows a bright electric lamp placed behind a screen which has a hole covered with wire gauze. A concave mirror of focal length 25cm is placed in front of the screen. The position of the mirror is adjusted until a sharp image of the gauze is formed on the screen.

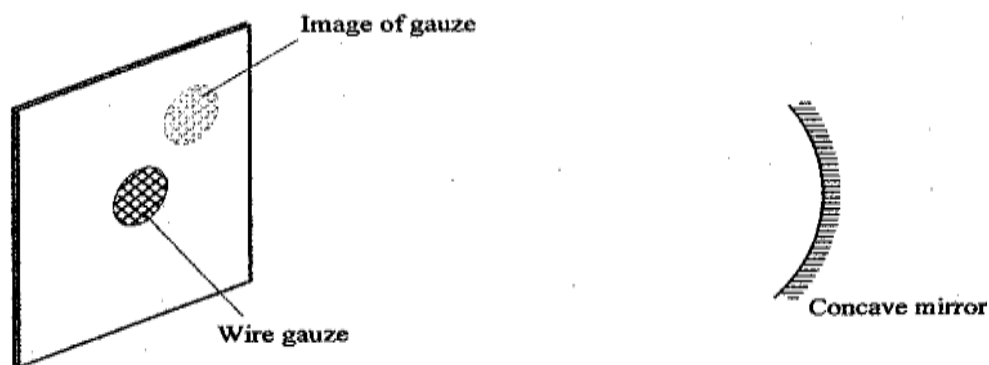


Figure 4

Determine the distance between the mirror and the screen.

13. 2012 Q17 P2

Figure 16, shows a graph of magnification against object distance, for an object placed in front of a lens of a focal length 20cm.

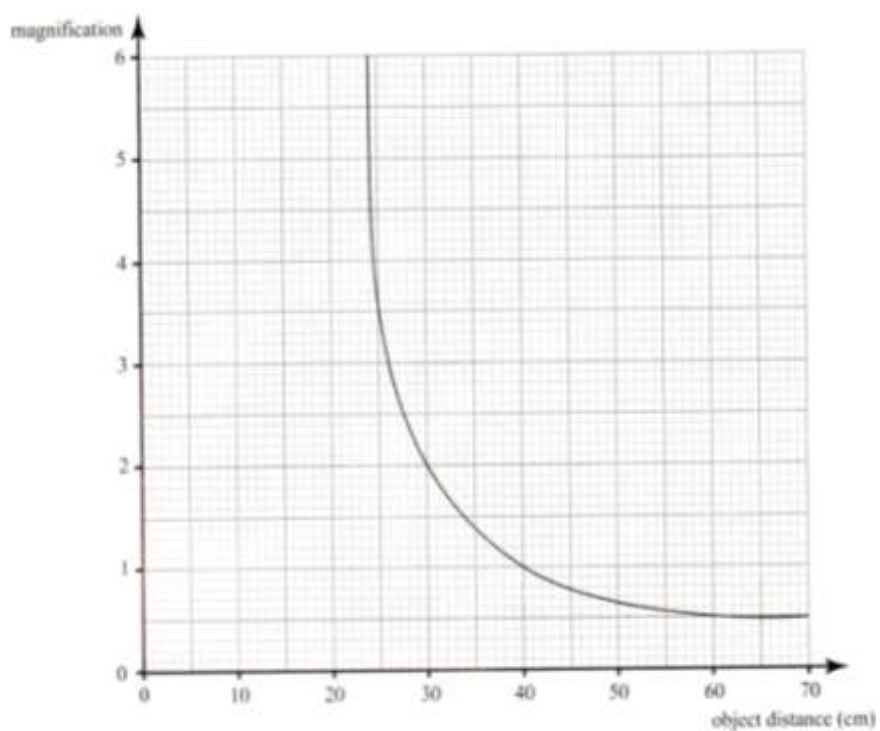


Figure 16

Using the graph

- State the effect on the size of the image when the object distance is increased from 25cm (1 mark)
- Determine the distance between the object and the lens when the image is the same size as the object (2 marks)
- Determine the image distance when the object distance is 25cm (3 marks)

b) Figure 17 shows an object O placed in front of a converging mirror of focal length 15 cm.

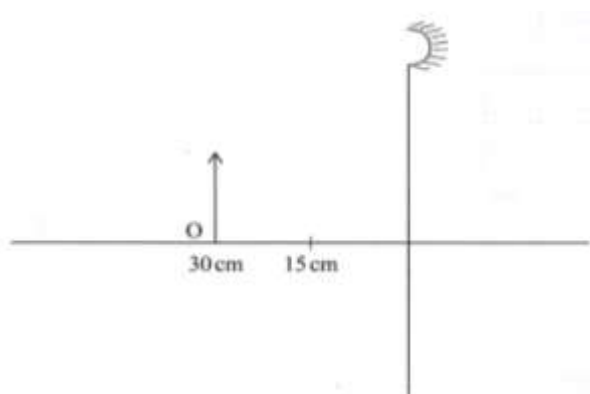


Figure 17

- Draw on the figure a ray diagram to locate the image formed (3 marks)
- State why parabolic reflectors are used in car headlights. (1 mark)