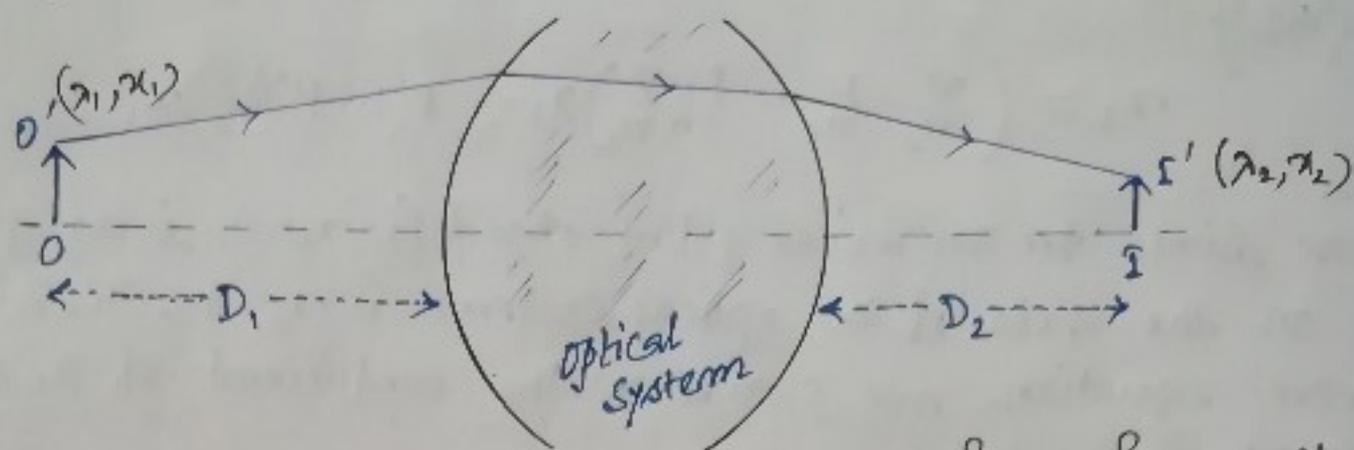


## # Image formation by an optical system:



Let us consider an object is kept in front of an optical system and the object is in the air medium. The optical coordinates of  $O'$  and  $I'$  are  $(x_1, x_2)$  and  $(x_2, x_1)$  respectively. Suppose the system matrix of the optical system is

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} b & -a \\ -d & c \end{pmatrix}$$

So, for the image formation,

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ x_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ D_2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b & -a \\ -d & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -D_1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} b & -a \\ bD_2 - d & c - aD_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -D_1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ x_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b + aD_1 & -a \\ bD_2 - d - cD_1 + aD_1D_2 & c - aD_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \dots \quad (i)$$

Now for an axial

from the above

$$x_2 = (b + aD_1)x_1 - ax_2 \quad \dots \quad (ii)$$

$$\text{and } x_1 = (bD_2 - d - cD_1 + aD_1D_2)x_1 + (c - aD_2)x_2 \quad \dots \quad (iii)$$

Now for an axial point object i.e. for  $x_2 = 0$ , the image point must also lie on the axis i.e.  $x_1 = 0$ . So, the coefficient of  $x_1$  must be vanished.

$$\therefore bD_2 - d - cD_1 + aD_1D_2 = 0 \quad \dots \quad (A)$$

Therefore corresponding image plane will be

$$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_2 \\ \alpha_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b + aD_1 & -a \\ 0 & c - aD_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \alpha_1 \end{pmatrix} \dots \dots \dots (iv)$$

Since this operation does not change the characteristics of light, so the

$$(b + aD_1)(c - aD_2) = 1$$

$$\therefore (b + aD_1) = \frac{1}{c - aD_2} \dots \dots \dots (v)$$

Again, from the above matrix formulation

$$\lambda_2 = (b + aD_1)\lambda_1 - a\alpha_1$$

$$\alpha_2 = (c - aD_2)\alpha_1$$

$$\therefore \text{Magnification } M = \frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha_1} = c - aD_2$$

$$\therefore \text{from equation (v), } b + aD_1 = \frac{1}{M}$$

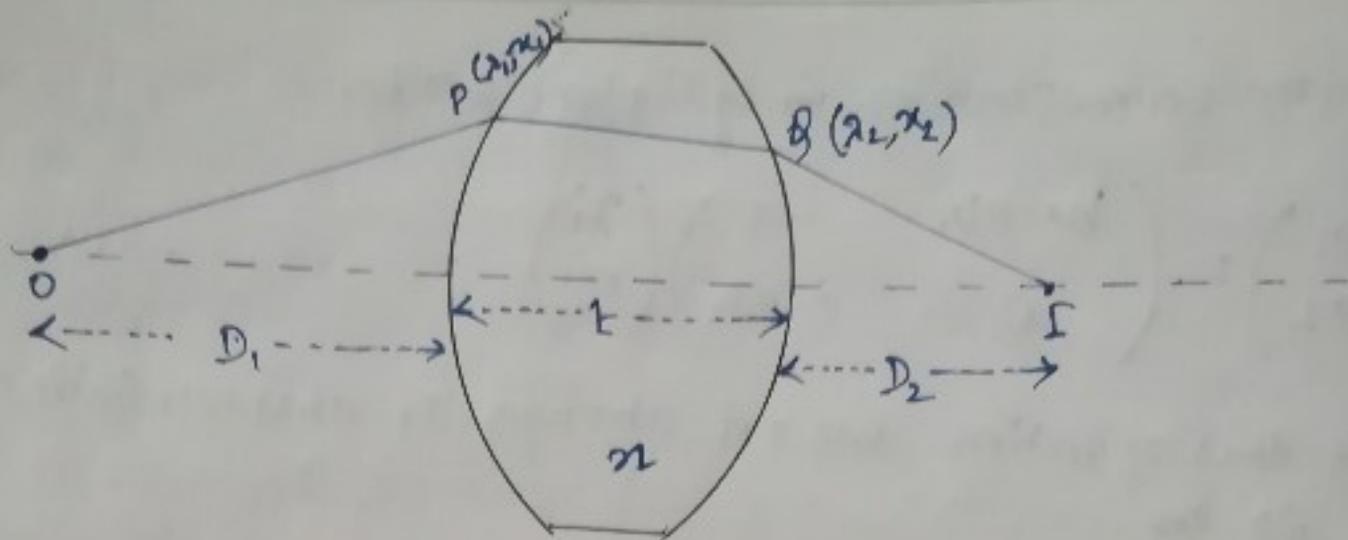
Thus, the above matrix formulation (iv) can be written as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_2 \\ \alpha_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{M} & -a \\ 0 & M \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \alpha_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

This is the matrix formulation for the image formation by an optical system.

### # System matrix for a thick lens; hence their lens formula and thick lens formula.

Let us consider a thick lens of thickness  $t$  having refractive index  $n$ . Let  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are the radius of curvatures of first and second surface of the lens. Let a point object is placed in air at a distance  $D_1$  and the image formed by the lens on another side at  $D_2$ . A ray strikes the lens first surface at  $P(\lambda_1, \alpha_1)$  and emerges from the second surface from  $Q(\lambda_2, \alpha_2)$ .



So,

$$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_2 \\ \alpha_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -P_2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ t/n & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -P_1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \alpha_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Here the system matrix

$$\begin{aligned} S = \begin{pmatrix} b & -a \\ -d & c \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -P_2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ t/n & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -P_1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 - P_2 t/n & -P_2 \\ t/n & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -P_1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 - P_2 t/n & -P_1 + P_1 P_2 t/n - P_2 \\ t/n & 1 - P_1 t/n \end{pmatrix} \quad \dots (i) \end{aligned}$$

Now for a thin lens,  $t \rightarrow 0$

So, the system matrix for thin lens will be

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} b & -a \\ -d & c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -(P_1 + P_2) \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \dots (ii)$$

Comparing the coefficients

$$a = P_1 + P_2, \quad b = 1, \quad c = 1, \quad d = 0$$

Now from the boundary condition of image formation, we can use equation (A).

$$bD_2 + aD_1D_2 - cD_1 - d = 0 \quad \dots (A)$$

Now substituting above values of \$a, b, c\$ and \$d\$, we get

$$D_2 + (P_1 + P_2)D_1D_2 - D_1 = 0 \quad \dots (iii)$$

$$\text{Now, } p_1 = \frac{n-1}{R_1} \text{ and } p_2 = \frac{1-n}{R_2} \\ = -\frac{n-1}{R_2}$$

$$\therefore (p_1 + p_2) = (n-1) \left( \frac{1}{R_1} - \frac{1}{R_2} \right) = \frac{1}{f}$$

So, the equation (iii) can be written as

$$D_2 + \frac{1}{f} D_1 D_2 - D_1 = 0$$

$$D_1 - D_2 = \frac{1}{f} D_1 D_2$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{D_2} - \frac{1}{D_1} = \frac{1}{f}$$

which is well known thin lens formula.

For thick lens the values of the coefficients are

$a = 1 - \frac{p_2 t}{n}$ ,  $b = 1 - \frac{p_1 t}{n}$ ,  $c = 1 - \frac{p_1 t}{n}$ ,  $d = \frac{t}{n}$

$$a = p_1 + p_2 - \frac{t}{n} p_1 p_2, \quad b = 1 - p_2 \frac{t}{n}, \quad c = 1 - p_1 \frac{t}{n}, \quad d = \frac{t}{n}$$

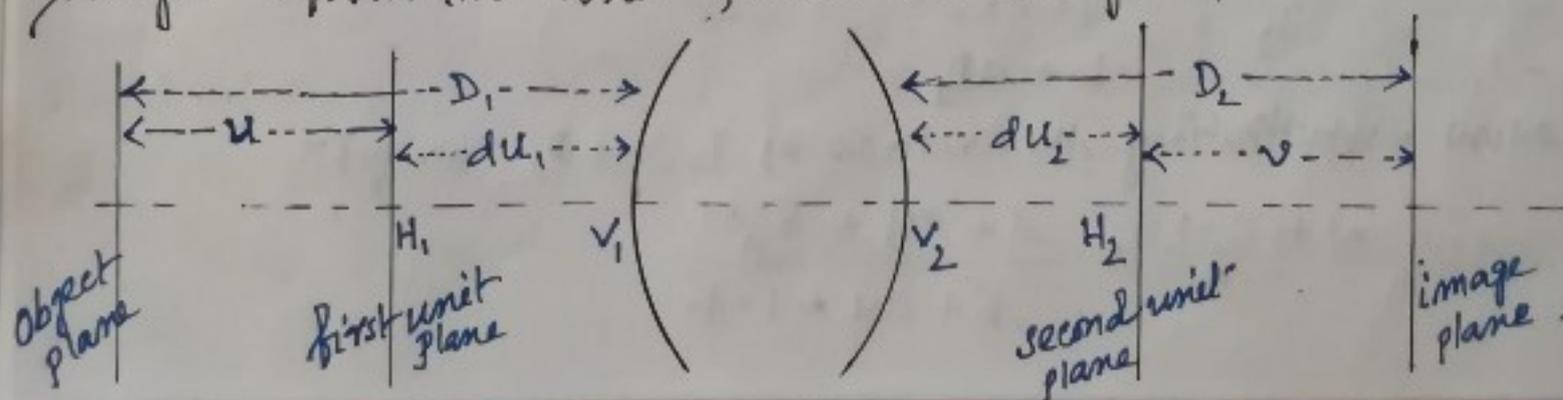
Substituting these values in equation A

$$\left(1 - p_2 \frac{t}{n}\right) D_2 + \left(p_1 + p_2 - \frac{t}{n} p_1 p_2\right) D_1 D_2 - \left(1 - p_1 \frac{t}{n}\right) D_1 + \frac{t}{n} = 0$$

The above one is a complex equation. Actually we shall use the concept of unit planes for deriving thick lens formula. This is done in the following section.

# Principle planes or unit planes:

The unit planes are two planes; one in the object space and other in image space, between which the magnification  $M$  is unity. Therefore any paraxial ray emanating from the unit plane in object space will emerge at the same height from the unit plane in image space.



Let  $du_1$  and  $du_2$  are the distances of first and second unit plane respectively from the refracting surfaces then from expression

(B)

$$b + a du_1 = \frac{1}{c - a du_2} = 1 \quad [ \because M=1 ]$$

So.  $du_1 = v_1 H_1 = \frac{1-b}{a}$

$$du_2 = v_2 H_2 = \frac{c-1}{a}$$

If  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  be the refractive indices of the media just in left and right of the refracting surface, then

$$du_1 = v_1 H_1 = n_1 \left( \frac{1-b}{a} \right)$$

$$du_2 = v_2 H_2 = n_2 \left( \frac{c-1}{a} \right)$$

\* Thick lens formula using the concept of unit planes:

Let us consider first and second unit planes which are at a distance  $du_1$  and  $du_2$  from the refracting surfaces. Let  $u$  be the distance of the object plane from the first unit plane and  $v$  be the corresponding distance of image plane from 2nd unit plane. Then

$$D_1 = u + du_1 = u + \left( \frac{1-b}{a} \right)$$

$$\text{and } D_2 = v + du_2 = v + \left( \frac{c-1}{a} \right)$$

Now from the boundary conditions of image formation we can use eqn (A) which is

$$b D_2 + a D_1 D_2 - c D_1 - d = 0$$

$$\therefore D_2 = \frac{d + c D_1}{b + a D_1}$$

Now substituting the values of  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  we get-

$$v + \frac{c-1}{a} = \frac{d + c \left( u + \frac{1-b}{a} \right) + \frac{c-bc}{a}}{b + a \left( u + \frac{1-b}{a} \right)}$$

$$\text{or, } v + \frac{c-1}{a} = \frac{ad+acu+c-bc}{a(au+1)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{or, } v &= \frac{ad+acu+c-bc}{a(au+1)} - \frac{c-1}{a} \\ &= \frac{ad+acu+c-bc-acu-c+au+1}{a(au+1)} \\ &= \frac{ad-bc+au+1}{a(au+1)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now, } |S| = \begin{vmatrix} b & -a \\ -d & c \end{vmatrix} = bc - ad = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore v &= \frac{-1+au+1}{a(au+1)} \\ &= \frac{u}{au+1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{v} = a + \frac{1}{u}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{v} - \frac{1}{u} = a$$

which is well known thick lens formula

# Deduce an expression for the positions of nodal planes :

Nodal points are two points on the axis which have a relative angular magnification of unity. That means if a ray strikes the first nodal point at an angle  $\alpha$ , then it will emerge at same angle from the second nodal point. Planes through that points and ~~prop.~~ normal to the axis is called first and second nodal plane respectively. Let  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  denotes the first and second nodal points and  $d_{n1}$  and  $d_{n2}$  be the corresponding distances from the refracting surfaces.

Now for the formation of image of an object by an optical system

$$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_2 \\ \alpha_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b + aD_1 & a \\ 0 & c - aD_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \alpha_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now from the definition of nodal points

$$\frac{v_2}{v_1} = 1$$

$$\therefore \frac{n v_2}{n v_1} = 1 \quad \therefore \lambda_2 = \lambda_1$$

Again for axial point object ~~also~~  $\alpha_1 = 0$

~~$$\therefore \frac{b + aD_1}{c - aD_2} \lambda_1 = \lambda_1$$~~

$$\therefore b + aD_1 \lambda_2 = (b + aD_1) \lambda_1$$

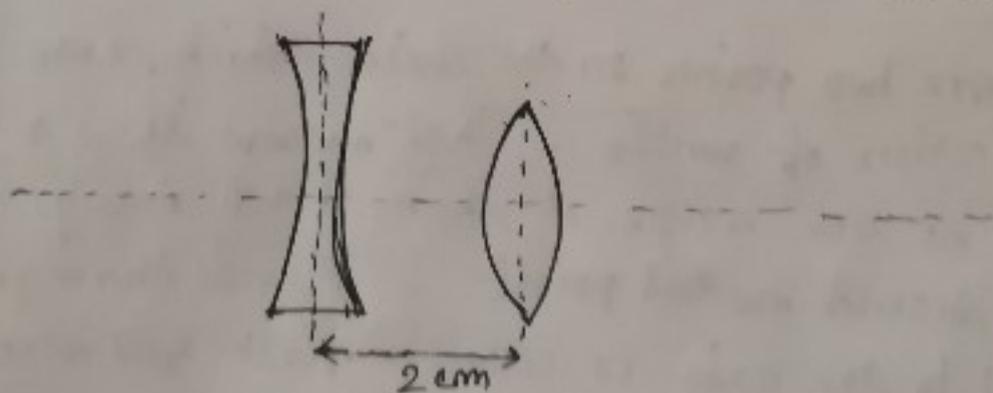
$$\therefore b + aD_1 = 1$$

$$D_1 = \frac{1-b}{a}$$

$$\text{Similarly } D_2 = \frac{c-1}{a}$$

So, when both media on either side of an optical system have same refractive index i.e.  $n_1 = n_2 = n$ , the nodal planes coincide with the principal planes.

\* A lens of  $-20$  cm focal length is placed  $2$  cm in front of a lens of  $+4$  cm focal length. Find the system matrix of the combination and check by determinant.



$$f_1 = -20 \text{ cm} \quad \text{so, } P_1 = \frac{100}{-20} = -5 \text{ m}^{-1}$$

$$\text{And } f_2 = +4 \text{ cm} \quad \therefore P_2 = \frac{100}{4} = +25 \text{ m}^{-1}$$

Now the system matrix of the combination

$$\begin{aligned} S &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -25 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{2}{100} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & +5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -25 \\ \frac{1}{50} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -4\frac{5}{2} \\ \frac{1}{50} & 1\frac{1}{10} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now, } |S| = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -4\frac{5}{2} \\ \frac{1}{50} & 1\frac{1}{10} \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{11}{10} + \frac{45}{100} = \frac{11}{20} + \frac{9}{20} = 1$$

\* Two thin lenses have a combined power of +10D. If they become separated by 20 cm their equivalent power decreases to +6.25D. What are the power of two lenses.

⇒ When two lenses are in contact then the system matrix of the combination is

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -(P_1 + P_2) \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Now } (P_1 + P_2) = 10 \quad \dots \dots \dots (i)$$

When they are separated then

$$S' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \frac{d_0}{n} P_2 & -(P_1 + P_2 - \frac{d_0}{n} P_1 P_2) \\ \frac{d_0}{n} & 1 - \frac{d_0}{n} P_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \frac{1}{5} P_2 & -(P_1 + P_2 - \frac{1}{5} P_1 P_2) \\ \frac{1}{5} & 1 - \frac{1}{5} P_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left[ d_0 = \frac{20}{100} = \frac{1}{5} \text{ m} \right]$$

Then power of the combination,

$$6.25 = P_1 + P_2 - \frac{1}{5} P_1 P_2$$

$$= 10 - \frac{1}{5} P_1 P_2 \quad \text{[using eq (i)]}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{5} P_1 P_2 = 3.75$$

$$P_1 P_2 = 5 \times 3.75$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } (P_1 - P_2)^2 &= (P_1 + P_2)^2 - 4P_1 P_2 \\ &= 10^2 - 4 \times 5 \times 3.75 \\ &= 100 - 75 \\ &= 25 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore P_1 - P_2 = \pm 5$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{So, } P_1 + P_2 = 10 \\ P_1 - P_2 = 5 \\ \hline 2P_1 = 15 \\ P_1 = 15/2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore P_2 &= 10 - 15/2 \\ &= 5/2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{And } P_1 + P_2 = 10 \\ P_1 - P_2 = -5 \\ \hline 2P_1 = 5 \\ P_1 = 5/2 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore P_2 = 10 - 5/2 = 15/2$$

So, the power of the two lenses are  $15/2$  D,  $5/2$  D.