# Overview



- the human eye





#### Image formation at finite distances

Recall that, since OC is going thorough the optical center of the lens, MIT 2.7 the emerging ray CI propagates parallel to the incident direction, *i.e.* OC||CI. 02/18/09 wk3-b- 2

## **Real and virtual images**





We seek the image location and lateral magnification for the composite lens imaging system shown above. We will solve the problem by repeated application of the imaging condition and lateral magnification relationships that we derived in Slide #2.



#### Example: composite lens \2



Next we consider L2 in isolation, with object identical to the image formed by L1 in isolation.



#### Imaging condition using ray transfer matrices



#### **Thick lens**



#### **Focal Lengths and Principal Planes**



### Image formation with composite elements



To find the imaging condition for the composite element we can use the principal planes as follows:

- $\rightarrow$  trace an on-axis ray from infinity through O to the 2<sup>nd</sup> PP then bend so that it goes through the BFP;
- → trace a ray from O through the FFP then bend at the 1<sup>st</sup> PP so that it goes to infinity on-axis;
- $\rightarrow$  the intersection of the traced rays is the image point I;

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- → the ray from O through the intersection of the 1<sup>st</sup> PP with the optical axis should emerge at the intersection C of the 2<sup>nd</sup> PP with the optical axis and also go through the image point I; moreover, if the indices of refraction to the left and right of the composite are the same, then  $OC \parallel C'I$ .
- It is easy to see that the similar triangle arguments that we used in the case of the single thin lens apply here as well; therefore, the imaging condition and magnification relations remain the same with the notation as shown above.

$$x_{o}x_{i} = f^{2}; \qquad \frac{1}{s_{o}} + \frac{1}{s_{i}} = \frac{1}{f}; \qquad M_{T} = -\frac{x_{i}}{f} = -\frac{f}{x_{o}} = -\frac{s_{i}}{s_{o}}; \qquad M_{A} = \frac{1}{M_{T}}.$$
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#### Imaging systems in nature: chambered eyes

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### Imaging systems in nature: compound eyes

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### The human eye







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Remote objects: unaccommodated eye (lens muscles relaxed)



Nearby objects: accommodated eye (lens muscles contracted)

from *Fundamentals of Optics* by F. Jenkins & H. White





FIGURE 10B

Schematic eye as developed by Gullstrand, showing the real and inverted image on the retina (dimensions are inmillimeters).

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### Eye defects and their correction



FIGURE 10K Typical eye defects largely present in the adult population.

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FIGURE 10L Typical eye defects can be corrected by spectacle lenses. Fig. 10K,L in Jenkins, Francis A., and Harvey E. White. *Fundamentals of Optics*. 4th ed. New York, NY: McGraw-Hill, 1976. ISBN: 9780070323308. (c) McGraw-Hill. All rights reserved. This content is excluded from our Creative Commons license. Vk3-b-13 For more information, see http://ocw.mit.edu/fairuse.

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### The eye's "digital camera": retina



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Retina: → variable sampling rate → "dead pixels" (fovea) are compensated for



- Digital camera:
- fixed sampling rate
- "dead pixels" (fovea) are noticeable





#### Retina vs your digital camera



#### Retinal image

#### CCD image

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#### Spatial response of the retina – lateral connections



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#### What do you see?



http://www.phys.ufl.edu/~avery/



#### **Temporal response: after-images**

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# Seeing 3D: binocular vision





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