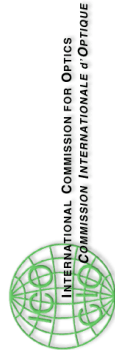


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Laser Resonators

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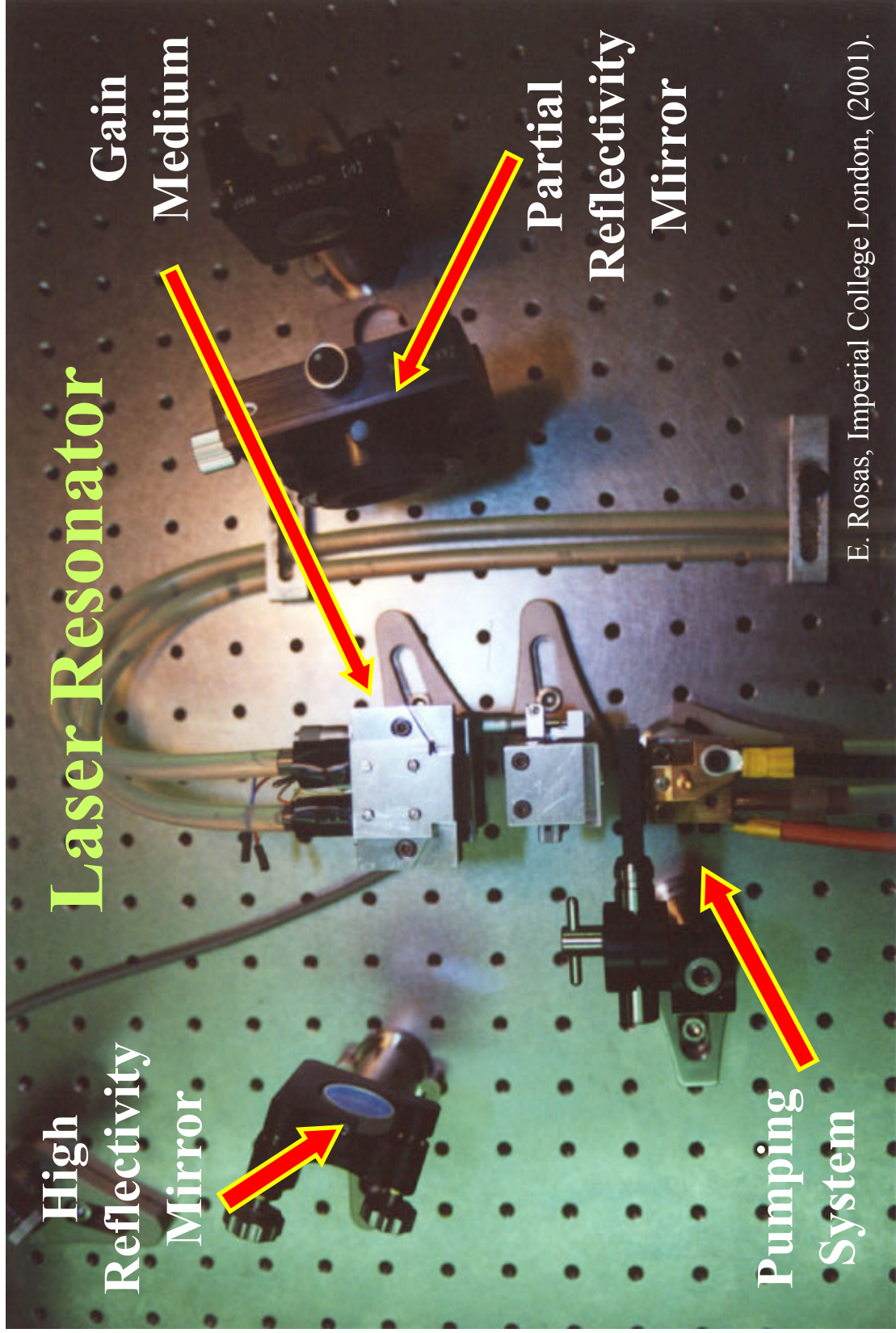
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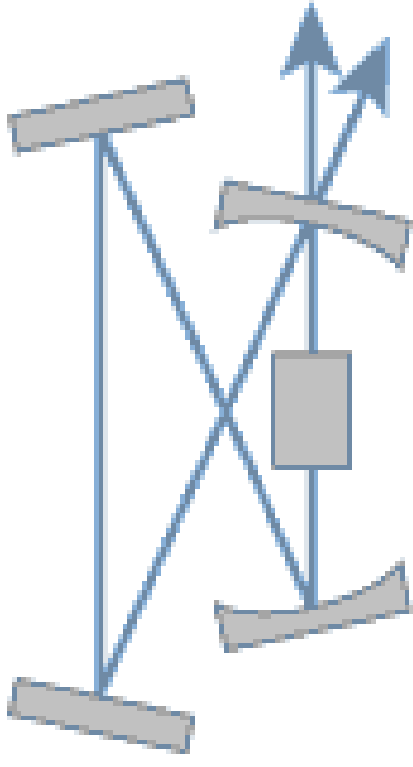
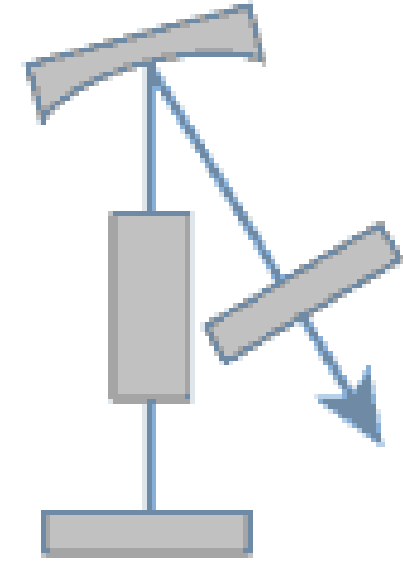
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Laser Cavity Geometries.



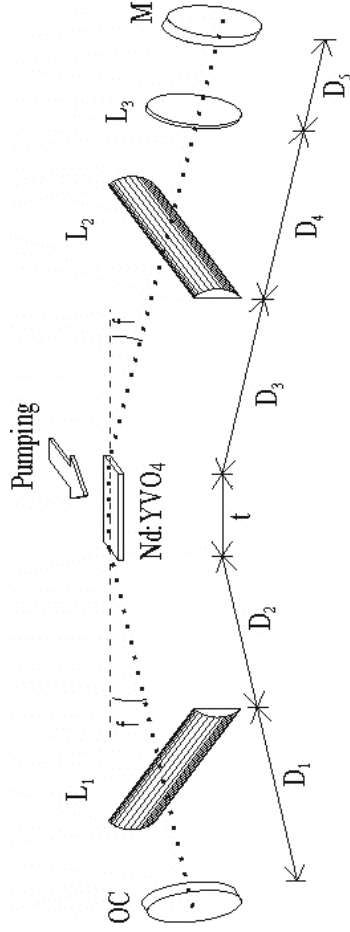
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Linear cavity

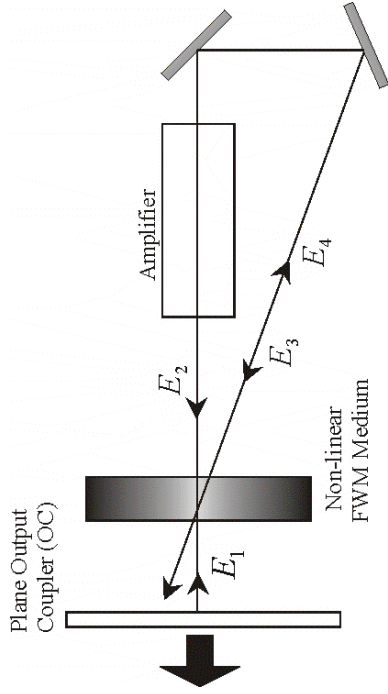
Ring cavity (Bow tie)

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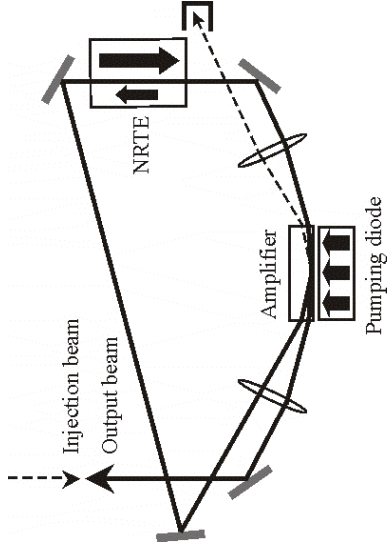
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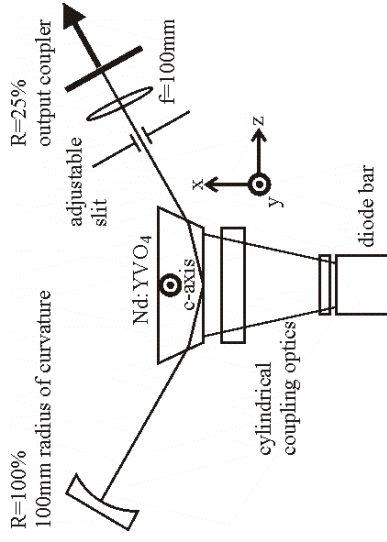
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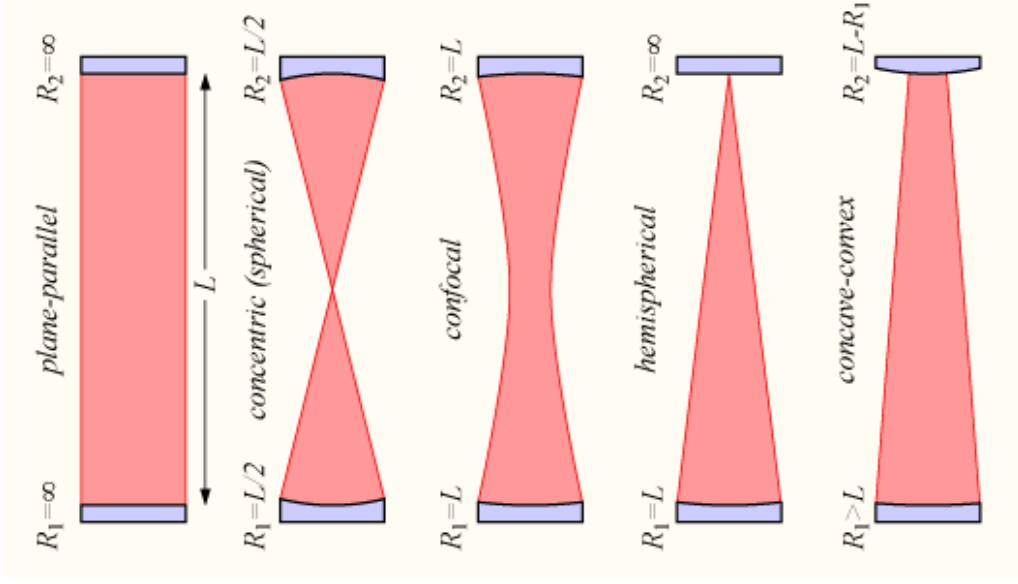
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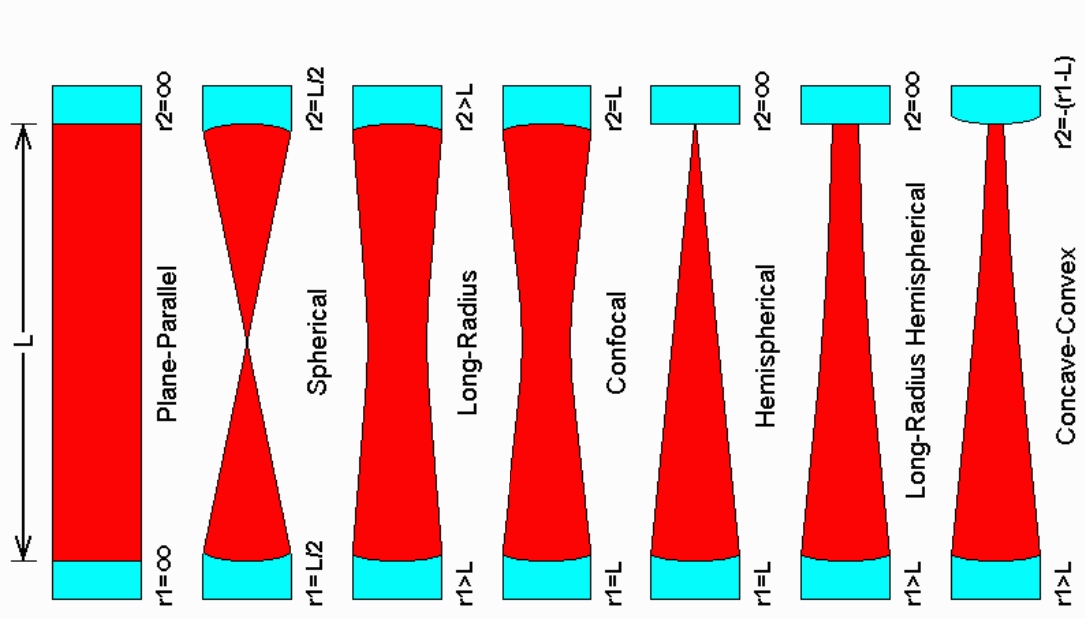
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Laser Resonator Configurations.



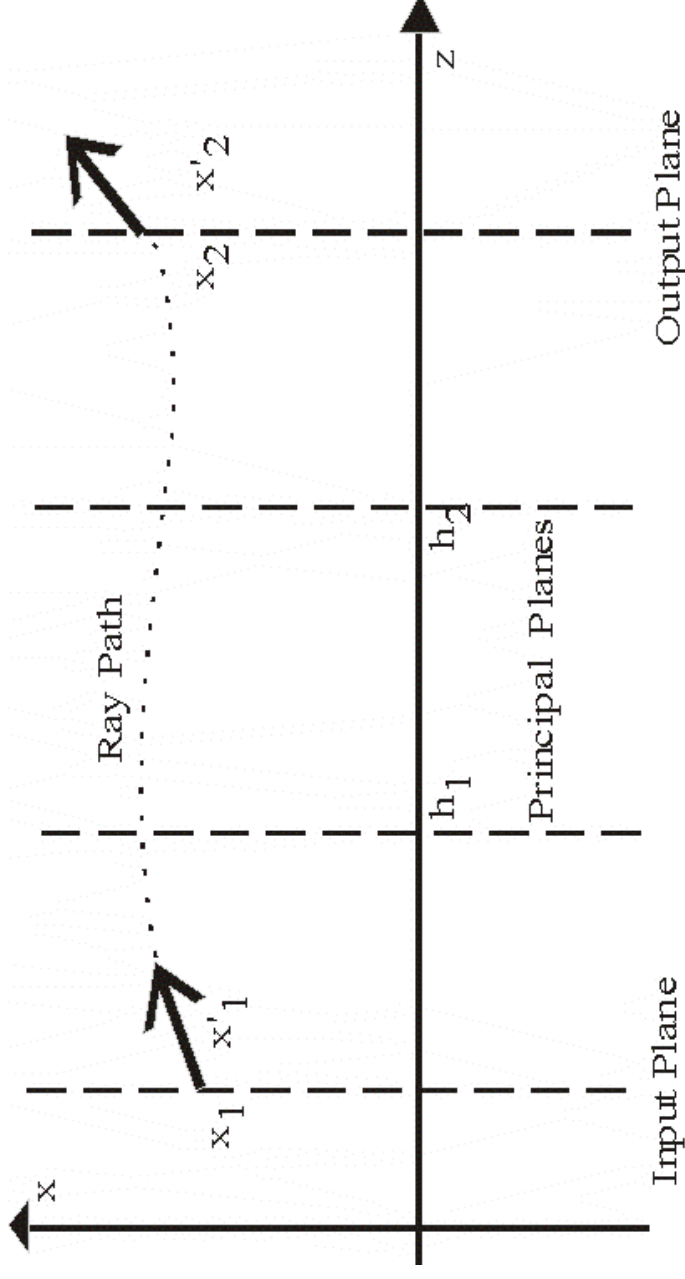
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Paraxial Rays Propagation.



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$$x_2 = A \cdot x_1 + B \cdot x'_1$$

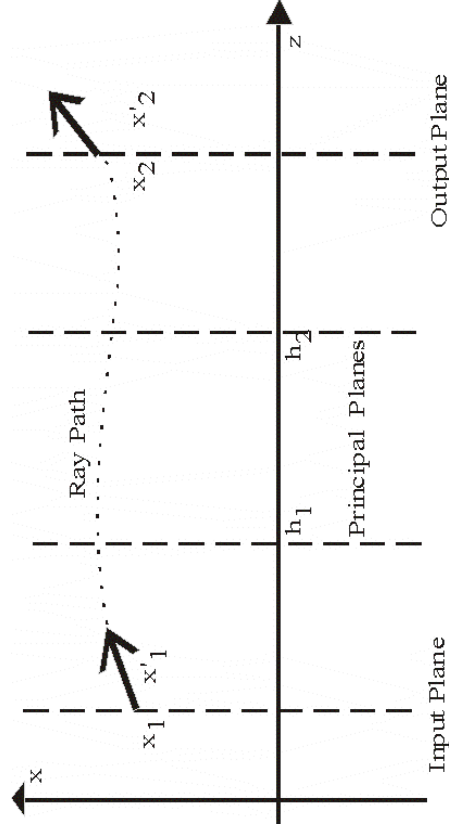
$$x'_2 = C \cdot x_1 + D \cdot x'_1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ x'_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x'_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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The Transfer Matrix.

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ x_2' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_1' \end{bmatrix}$$



$$AD - BC = 1$$

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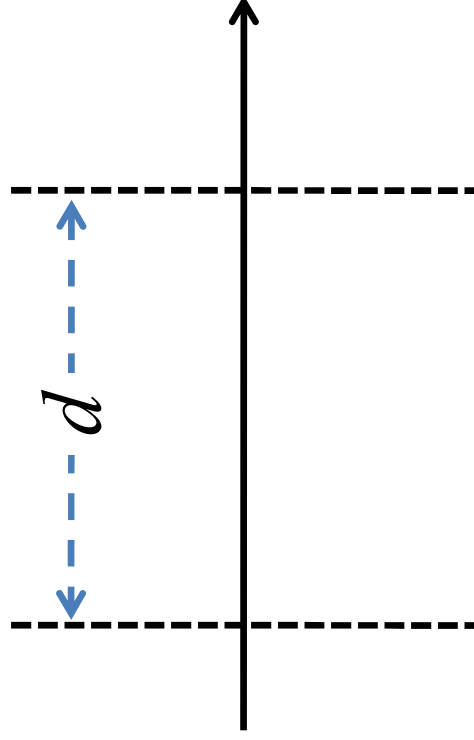
$$f = -\frac{1}{C}$$

$$h_1 = \frac{D-1}{C}$$

$$h_2 = \frac{A-1}{C}$$

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Distance d travelled in vacuum (or air).

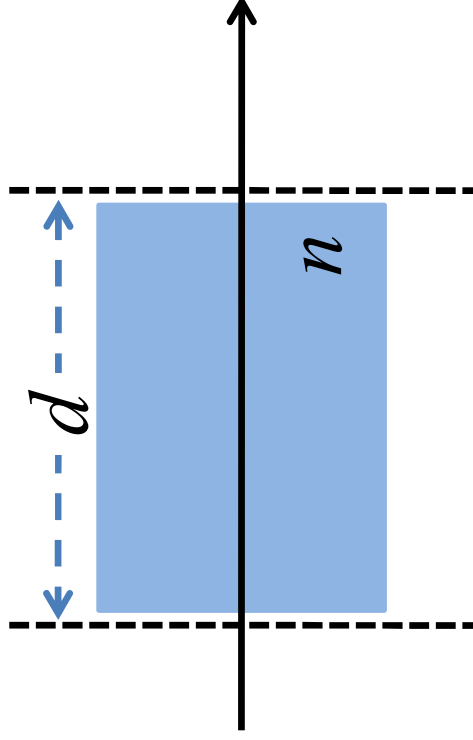


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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & d \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Distance d travelled in a medium with refractive index n .

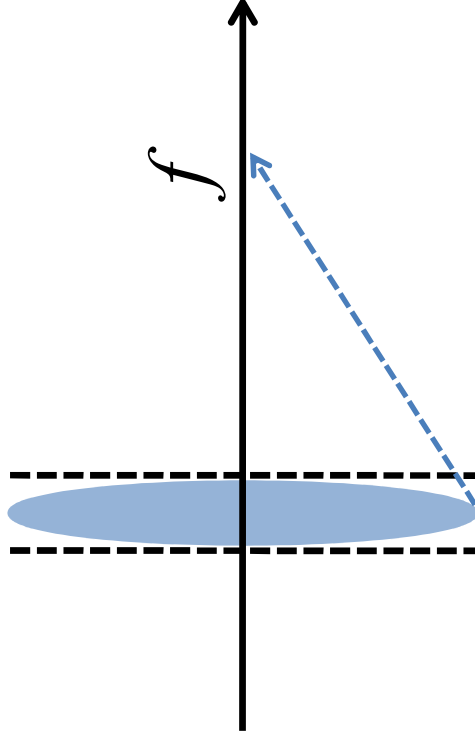


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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & d/n \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Thin lens with focal length f .

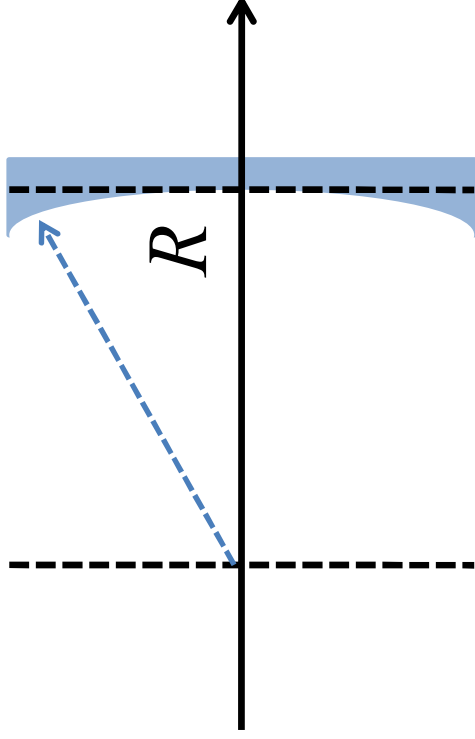


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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1/f & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Spherical mirror with curvature radius R .

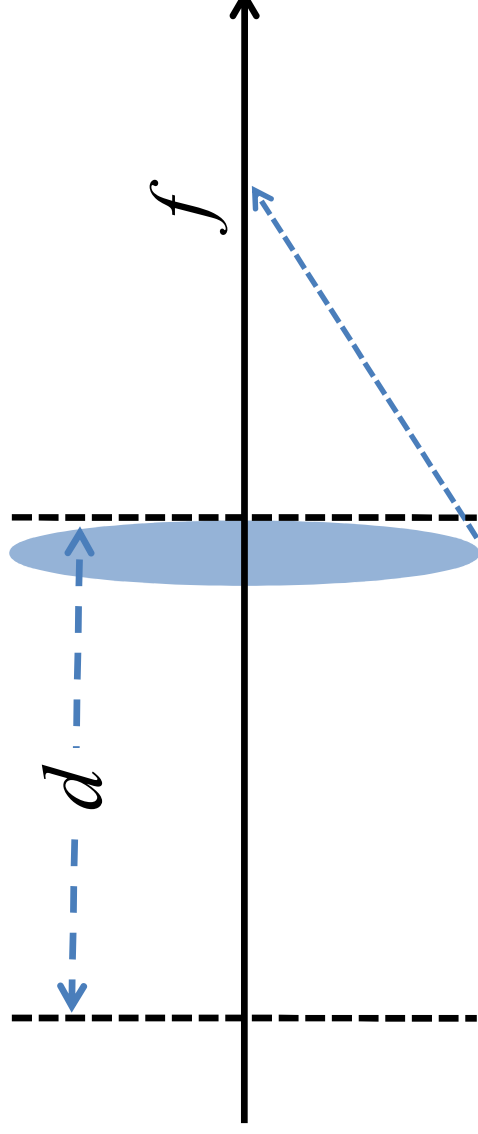


$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -2/R & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Distance d travelled in vacuum (air)
+ thin lens with focal length f .

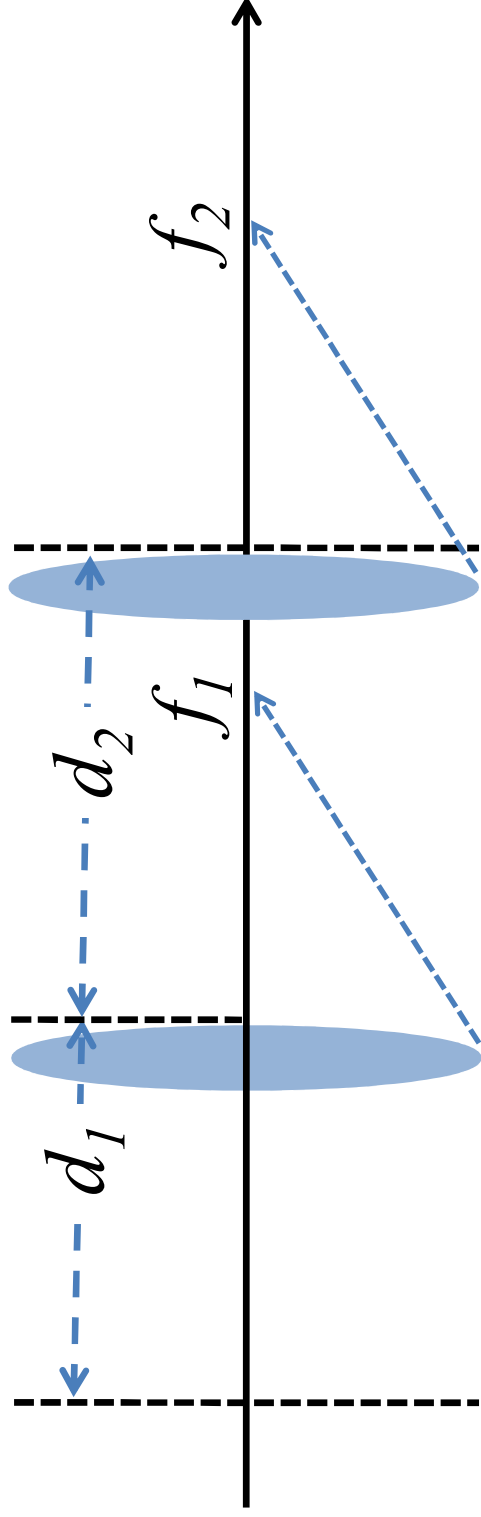


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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1/f & 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & d \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & d \\ -1/f & 1-d/f \end{bmatrix}$$

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Two “distance + thin lens” sequence.

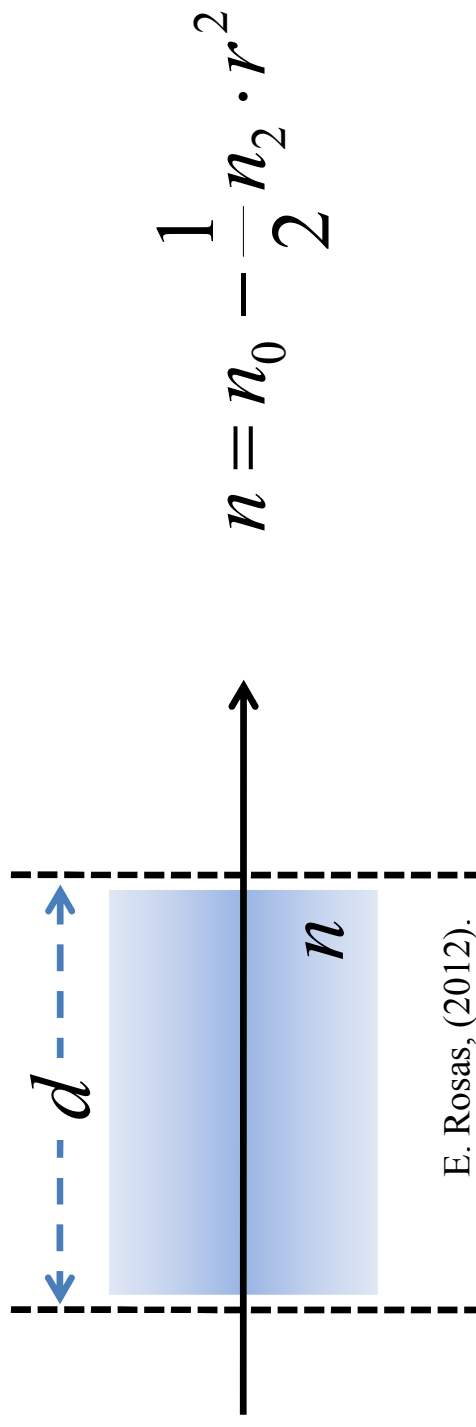


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$$\left[\begin{array}{c} 1 - \frac{d_2}{f_1} \\ -\frac{1}{f_1} \end{array} + \frac{d_2}{f_1 \cdot f_2} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} d_1 + d_2 - \frac{d_1 \cdot d_2}{f_1} \\ \frac{d_1}{f_2} + \frac{d_1 \cdot d_2}{f_1 \cdot f_2} \end{array} \right]$$

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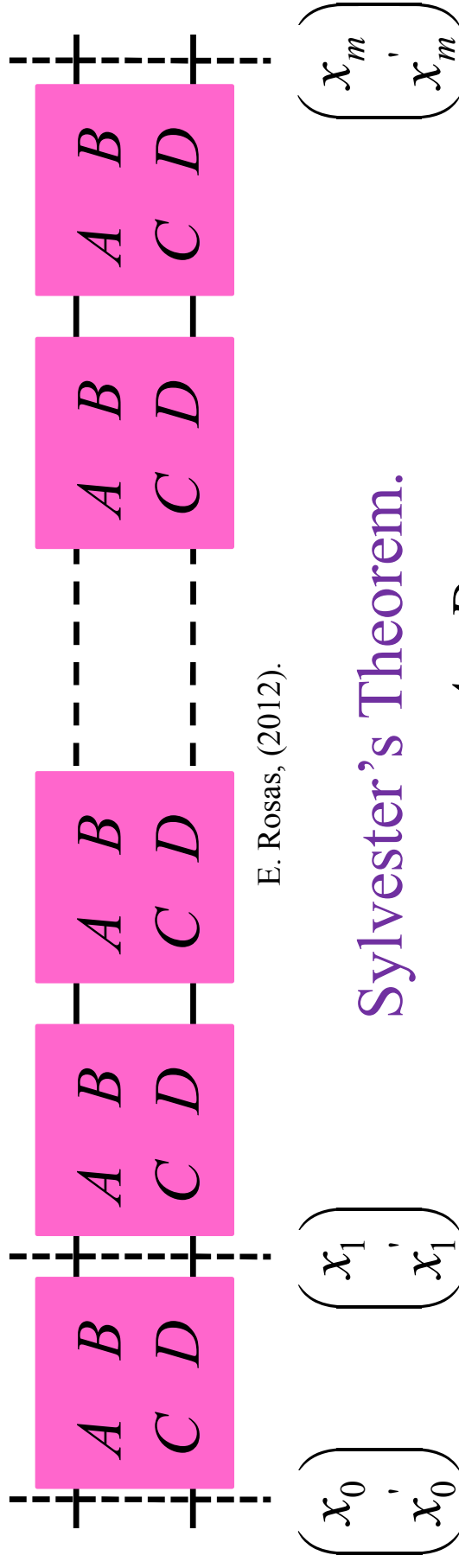
Distance d travelled in a lenslike medium.



$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos d \cdot \sqrt{\frac{n_2}{n_0}} & \sqrt{\frac{n_2}{n_0}} \sin d \cdot \sqrt{\frac{n_2}{n_0}} \\ -\sqrt{n_0 \cdot n_2} \sin d \cdot \sqrt{\frac{n_2}{n_0}} & \cos d \cdot \sqrt{\frac{n_2}{n_0}} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n_0 \cdot n_2}} \sin d \cdot \sqrt{\frac{n_2}{n_0}} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{n_2}{n_0} \\ n_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Periodic Sequences.



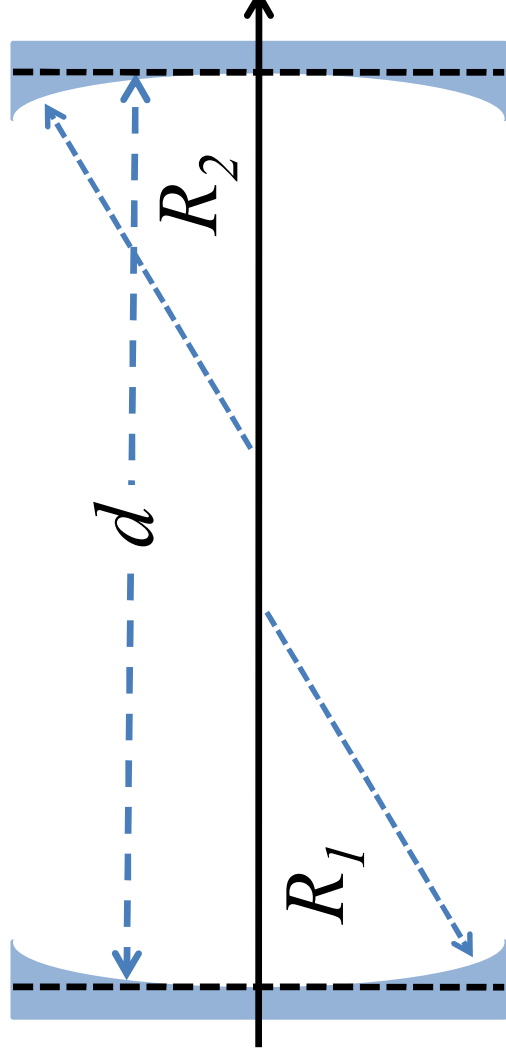
Sylvester's Theorem.

$$\cos \Theta = \frac{A+D}{2}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix}^m = \frac{1}{\sin \Theta} \begin{bmatrix} A \sin m\Theta - \sin(m-1)\Theta & B \sin m\Theta \\ C \sin m\Theta & D \sin m\Theta - \sin(m-1)\Theta \end{bmatrix}$$

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And cavities are periodic sequences.



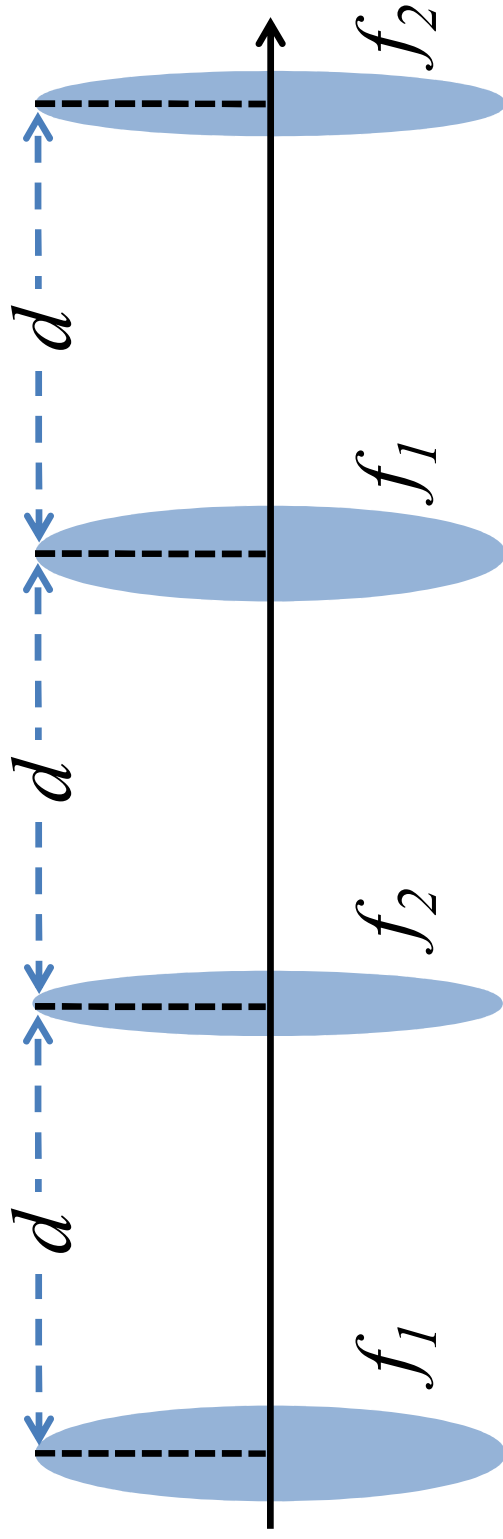
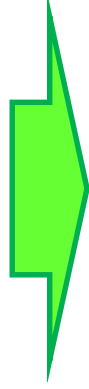
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Either as a pair of mirrors...

Or as a sequence of lenses (The mirrors cavity's dual).



$$f_1 = \frac{R_1}{2} \quad f_2 = \frac{R_2}{2}$$



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Stability Condition.

$$-1 < \frac{A+D}{2} < 1$$



Stability condition for
periodic sequences.

$$0 < \left(1 - \frac{d}{R_1}\right) \left(1 - \frac{d}{R_2}\right) < 1$$

Stability condition for
laser cavities.

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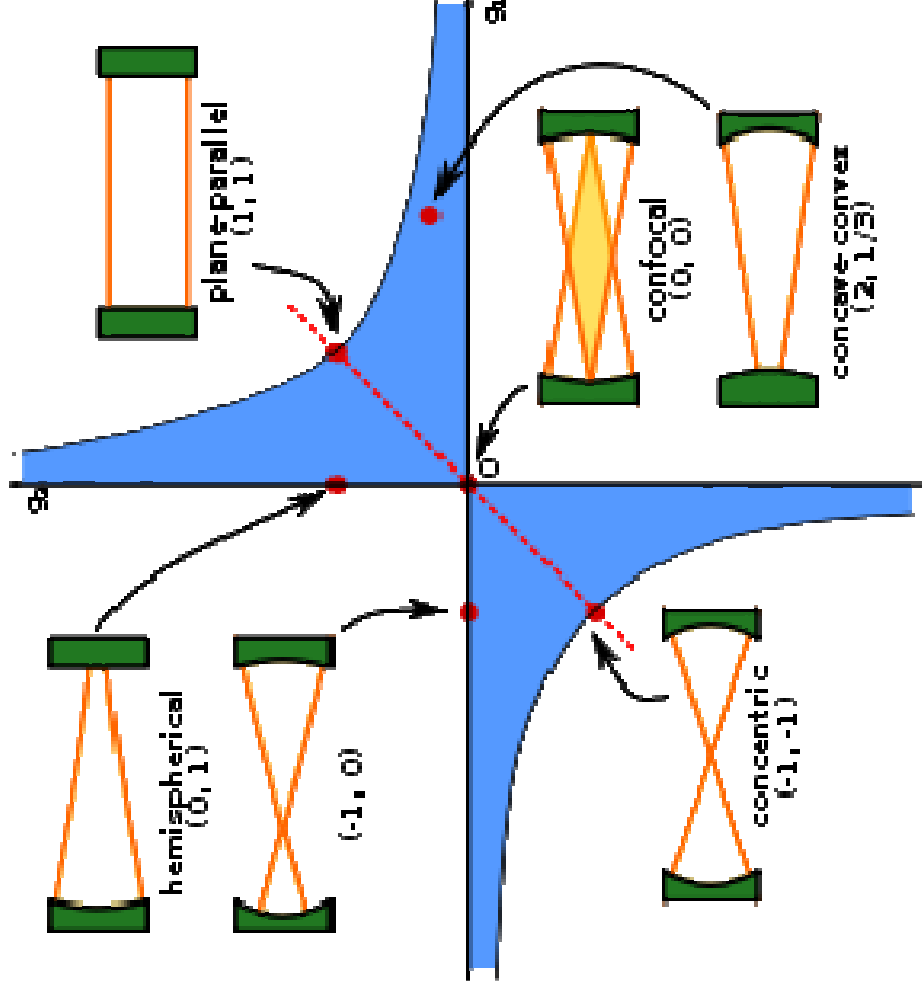
Laser Resonator's Stability.

$$0 < \left(1 - \frac{d}{R_1}\right) \left(1 - \frac{d}{R_2}\right) < 1$$

$$g_1 = 1 - \frac{d}{R_1} \quad g_2 = 1 - \frac{d}{R_2}$$



$$0 < g_1 \cdot g_2 < 1$$





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End of Session One.

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