

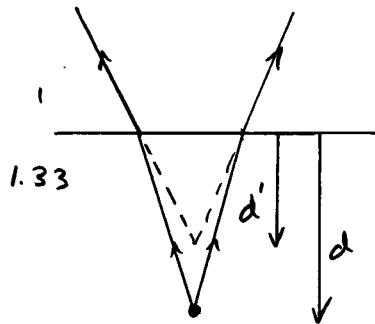
# Air / Water Interface

a) Object under water; Observer in air

Use the reduced thickness

or

Use the object-image equation



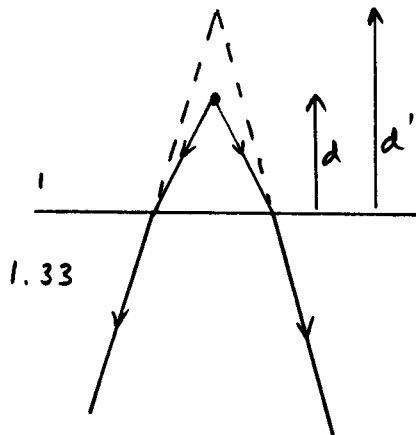
$$\frac{n'}{z'} = \frac{n}{z} + \frac{1}{\rho} \quad \rho = 0$$

$$z = d \quad n = 1.33$$

$$z' = d' \quad n' = 1$$

$$d' = \frac{z}{n} = \frac{d}{1.33}$$

b) Observer underwater; Object in air



$$\frac{n'}{z'} = \frac{n}{z}$$

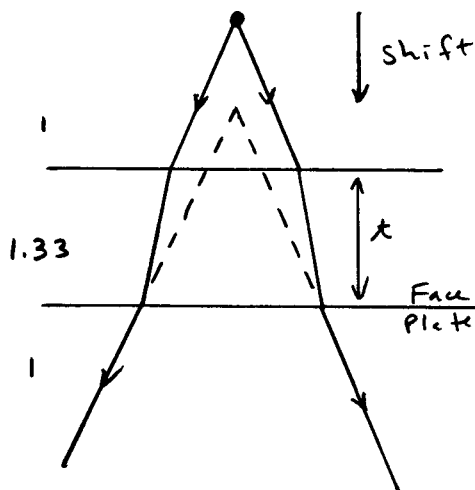
$$n' = 1.33 \quad n = 1.00$$

$$z = d$$

$$d' = n'z = 1.33d$$

c) Observer is underwater with a face mask.

This is a completely different situation. The face plate and the water surface form a plane-parallel plate. The image will shift due to this thickness



- Assume the observer is a distance  $t$  under water.

- The face plate thickness is small compared to  $t$

$$\text{Shift} = -\left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)t$$

$$\text{Shift} = -\left(\frac{1.33-1}{1.33}\right)t$$

$$\boxed{\text{Shift} = -.248 t}$$

Towards the water surface

Note: All of these are paraxial analyses.

Consider the paths of the rays leaving the object and heading towards the observer.