



Understanding Lenses Lab



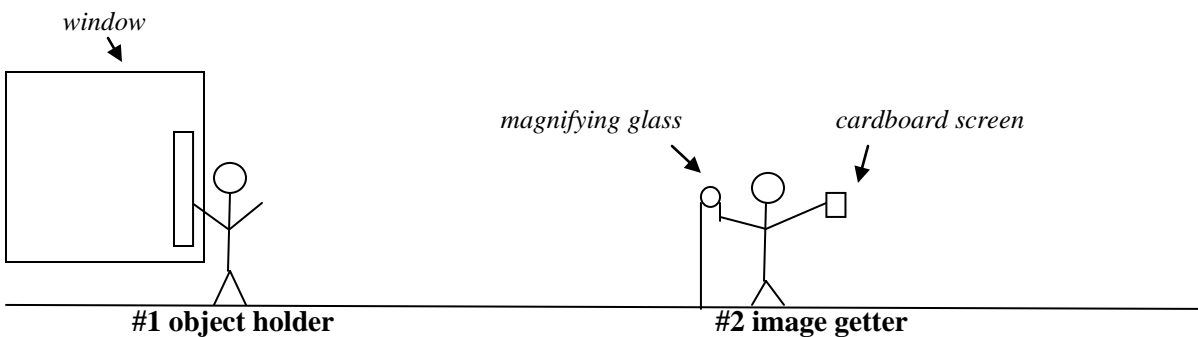
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Purpose:

In the lab you will be looking at the relationships between the size of an image and the size of the object as well as the distance the image is from a lens and the distance the object is from the lens. A converging lens works best for this lab because the image can be captured and measured (real image).

Review before you begin:

In the lab, we will be using the window as our object and screens will capture our image.



****Have everyone in your group answer these and check them off to get a magnifying glass****

1) Define **and** label all of the variables in the above drawing. ↑

p- _____

q- _____

h_o - _____

h_i - _____

2) i) What is a real image?

ii) What is a virtual image?

3) Do a quick sketch of what the ray diagrams will look like in this lab. Your object will be past the focal point of a converging lens. Look at your notes if you need help.

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4) What type of image will you get in this lab? _____ **How do you know?**

Name _____ Hour _____

KEEP UNITS CONSISTENT! (ALL CM OR M)



Data:

Part 1: Keep **the distance to the window constant** and change the height of the object.
Keep p and q the same but change ho (height of meterstick)

p (<i>constant</i>)	q (measure this!) Constant!	h_o (This will change)	h_i (<i>think- is this pos. or neg?</i>)	m (<i>pos or neg?</i>) <i>Calculate using hi / ho</i>

Part 2: In this part, keep **the height of the object constant** and change the distance to the window.
Tip: Start about 1 m away. For each row of data, take one big step away from the window.

p (measure this!)	q (measure this!) Constant!	h_o (<i>constant</i>)	h_i (<i>pos or neg?</i>)	m (<i>pos or neg?</i>) <i>Calculate using hi / ho</i>

Analysis:

- 1) Should your magnification be positive or negative? Why? Fix it in your chart if needed.

- 2) What was your average magnification for part 1? _____ part 2? _____

- 3) Calculate the focal length for your lens. Use one row of data that seems to be a good one.

- 4) Why is q positive? _____
- 5) **On separate paper-** draw a scaled ray diagram for one row of data in **Part 2**, not Part 1. Hint: Choose the one when you were closest to the wall (smallest p value) as it will be easier to scale and use the **focal length calculated in #3**. Staple your scaled ray diagram to the back of this lab. **Make sure to measure q and h_i.**