PASCO Ray Table ^{OS-8465}



What's included

- Ray Table
- D-shaped Lens

Required equipment

• Basic Optics Light Source (OS-8470)

Introduction

The Ray Table is designed for use with the D-shaped lens to measure angles of incidence, refraction, and reflection. You can also use other components with the Ray Table, such as a plane mirror. To change the angle of incidence, you can rotate the upper half of the ray table while the non-skid feet keep the base firmly in place. Pencil marks are easily erased from the table's white surface so that you can mark angles and trace rays directly on it.

D-shaped lens setup

- 1. Set up the light source to project a single ray.
- 2. Place the light source and the ray table close together on a lab bench or other flat surface. Position the light source so that the ray crosses the center of the ray table.

3. Rotate the ray table to place one of the 0° marks on the incident ray.



4. Place the D-shaped lens over the lens outline on the ray table.

✓ NOTE

The flat surface of the lens is aligned with the **COMPONENT** line on the table. The lens's curved surface is concentric with the table.

5. Rotate the table to change the angle of incidence. Observe how the angles of the refracted and reflected rays change. If you look down through the lens, you can see that the rays are refracted only at the flat surface and not at the curved surface.



Mirror setup

Use the same setup as described in the **D-shaped lens setup** section with a plane mirror. Position the mirror's reflective surface over table's **COMPONENT** line.



Experiment files

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