## Reflection in Curved Mirrors:

Ray Diagrams

## Converging Mirrors: 3 Golden Rules

1. Any ray travelling parallel to the principal axis is reflected through the focus (F).
2. Any ray travelling through the focus $(\mathrm{F})$ is reflected parallel to the principal axis.
3. Any ray travelling through the centre of curvature (C) is reflected back through the centre of curvature.

## Case 1: Object beyond C



Size:
Attitude:
Location:
Type:

Case 2: Object at C


Size:
Attitude:

Location:
Type:

## Case 3: Object between C and F



Size:

Attitude:

Location:

Type:

## Case 4: Object at F



## Case 5: Object between F and mirror



## Diverging Mirrors :- 3 Golden Rules

1. Any ray travelling parallel to the principal axis is reflected such that it appears to pass through the virtual focus ( $\mathrm{F}^{\prime}$ ).
2. Any ray appearing to travel through the virtual focus ( $F^{\prime}$ ) is reflected parallel to the principal axis.
3. Any ray appearing to travel through the centre of curvature (C) is reflected back along itself.

Case 1: Anywhere !!
Size:
Attitude:


