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Level 4 Year 1 Diploma for Optical Technicians

Unit 2: The Eye and the Principles of Optics



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Question 2

A prism is made from glass of **refractive index 1.56** and has an **apical angle of 20°** .
A ray of white light is incident at the first face along a normal to the surface.

Calculate the following: **(20 marks)**

- a) The **angle of incidence** at the **second face**.
- b) The **angle of refraction** at the **second face**.
- c) The **deviation** of the ray at the **second face**.
- d) Draw a simple diagram showing the path of the ray through the prism, the apical angle, the angles of incidence and refraction at the **second face** and the angle of deviation.
- e) Find by calculation (or other means) an **angle of incidence** at the **first face** that would result in the refracted ray at the first face meeting the second face along a normal to its surface.

Question 3

- a)** A prism made from glass of refractive index **$n_d = 1.53$** (for yellow light) has an apical angle of **34°** . A ray of white light is incident along a normal to the first face of the prism. If the refractive indices of the glass for red and blue light are respectively **$n_C = 1.52$** and **$n_F = 1.54$** , find the angle of refraction at the second face for both the red and blue rays. **(6 marks)**

- b)** Calculate the angle between the red and blue refracted rays. **(3 marks)**

- c)** What term is used to describe this phenomena? **(3 marks)**

- d)** Draw a simple diagram to illustrate this effect. **(3 marks)**

- e)** Calculate the **Abbe** number for this glass. **(3 marks)**

- f)** How is the Abbe number related to the Dispersive Power of the glass? **(2 marks)**

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