

Question - ① Explain the Laws of Illumination.

Answer - The illumination ( $E$ ) of a surface depends upon the following factors

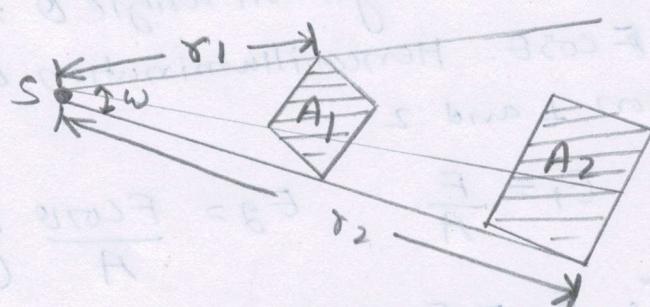
- (1)  $E$  is directly proportional to the luminous intensity ( $I$ ) of the source.

$$E \propto I \quad (\therefore E = \frac{I}{r^2})$$

- (2) Inverse square law - The illumination of a surface is inversely proportional to the square of the distance of the surface from the source.

$$E \propto \frac{1}{r^2}$$

Proof - Consider surface areas  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  at distance  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  respectively from the point source  $S$  of luminous intensity  $I$  and normal to the rays as shown in figure



Total luminous flux radiated =  $Iw$  lumens

Illumination of the surface of Area  $A_1$ ,

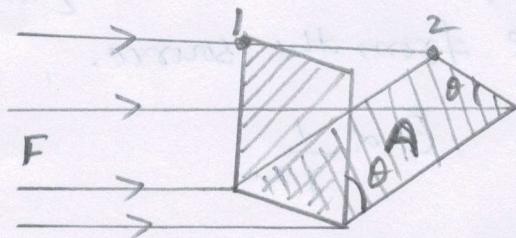
$$E_1 = \frac{Iw}{A_1} = \frac{Iw}{\pi r_1^2} = \frac{I}{r_1^2} \text{ lumen per unit Area}$$

Similarly - illumination on the surface of Area  $A_2$

$$E_2 = \frac{Iw}{A_2} = \frac{Iw}{w\pi r^2} = \frac{I}{r^2} \text{ lumens per unit area}$$

Hence the illumination of a surface is inversely proportional to the square of the distance between the surface and the light source.

(3) Lambert's Cosine Law — According to this law  $E$  is directly proportional to the cosine of the angle made by the normal to the illuminated surface with the direction of the incident flux.



$F$  = Luminous flux  
 $A$  = Area of the surface

(Lambert's cosine law)

As shown in above figure  $F$  be the flux incident on the surface of area  $A$  when in position 1. When this surface is turned back through an angle  $\theta$  then flux incident on it is  $F \cos \theta$ . Hence illumination of the surface when in position 1 and 2

$$E_1 = \frac{F}{A} \quad E_2 = \frac{F \cos \theta}{A} \quad \left\{ \text{when in position 2} \right.$$

$$\therefore E_2 = E_1 \cos \theta$$

Combining all these factors we get

$$E = \frac{I \cos \theta}{r^2}$$

$$\therefore E \propto \cos \theta$$

- Question - ② Define the following terms
- (i) Luminous intensity (ii) Illumination
  - (iii) Glare (iv) Candle power (v) Reduction factor

Answer

- (i) Luminous Intensity -

Luminous intensity in a given direction is the luminous flux emitted by the source per unit solid angle. It is denoted by symbol 'I' and measured in 'Candela' (cd)

$$I = \frac{F}{W}$$

- (ii) Illumination - It is the luminous flux received by a surface per ~~unit~~ unit area. It is denoted by symbol 'E' and measured in lumens per square meter or 'lux'

$$E = \frac{F}{A}$$

- (iii) Glare - 'Glare' may be define as the brightness within the field of vision of such a character as to cause annoyance, discomfort, interference with vision or eye-fatigue.

- (iv) Candle power - It is define as the number of lumens emitted by a source in a unit solid angle in a given direction. It is denoted by symbol c.p.

$$C.P. = \frac{\text{Lumens}}{W}$$

### (v) Reduction factor -

It is the ratio of its mean spherical candle power to its mean hemispherical candle power.

$$\text{Reduction factor} = \frac{\text{M.S.C.P.}}{\text{M.H.C.P.}}$$

$$\frac{F}{A}$$

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Value of reduction factor -

$$\frac{\text{Actual}}{\text{Ideal}} = 0.72$$