Q. A thin convex lens of focal length 25 cm is cut into two pieces 0.5cm above the principal axis. The top part is placed at (0,0) and an object placed at (- 50 cm, 0). Find the coordinates of the image.



Ans. If there was no cut, then the object would have been at a height of 0.5 cm from the principal axis OO'.

Applying lens formula, we have

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$$\frac{1}{v} - \frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{f}$$
$$\frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{-50} + \frac{1}{25} = \frac{1}{50}$$
$$v = 50 \text{ cm}$$
Mangnification is $m = \frac{v}{u} = -\frac{50}{50} = -1$

Thus, the image would have been formed at 50 cm from the pole and 0.5 cm below the principal axis. Hence, with respect to the X-axis passing through the edge of the cut lens, the coordinates of the image are (50 cm, -1 cm).