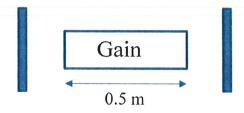
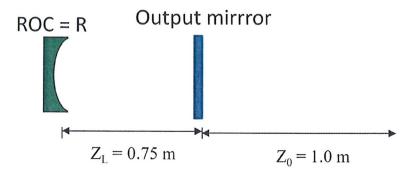
A homogeneously-broadened Fabry-Perot laser with 5 mm diameter flat circular mirrors and a gain cell 0.5 meters long has an unsaturated gain coefficient (at the oscillation frequency) of  $g_0(n_0) = 0.24 \text{ m}^{-1}$  and a saturation intensity (at the oscillation frequency) of  $I_s(n_0) = 70 \text{ watts/cm}^2$ .



- a) Assuming the two mirrors are identical, lossless, with 7.5 % (intensity) transmittance, and there is a 2 % power loss per pass due to diffraction and scattering, what is the saturated gain in the laser? (1 pt)
- b) What is the intracavity laser intensity (intensity inside the laser)? (1 pt)
- c) What is the output power of the laser? (Neglect the shape of the mode and just assume the output mirror is uniformly illuminated). (0.5 pts)
- d) Now assume the back mirror of the laser is changed to have a radius of curvature of R, the output mirror is flat, and the separation between mirrors is 3/4 meter. What value of R will produce a Gaussian laser beam with a Rayleigh range  $z_0 = 1$  meter? Assume that the index of refraction of the gain medium is 1.0. You can assume an arbitrary wavelength. (1 pt)



e) What is the radius of curvature of the beam 1 meter from the output mirror? (0.5 pts)