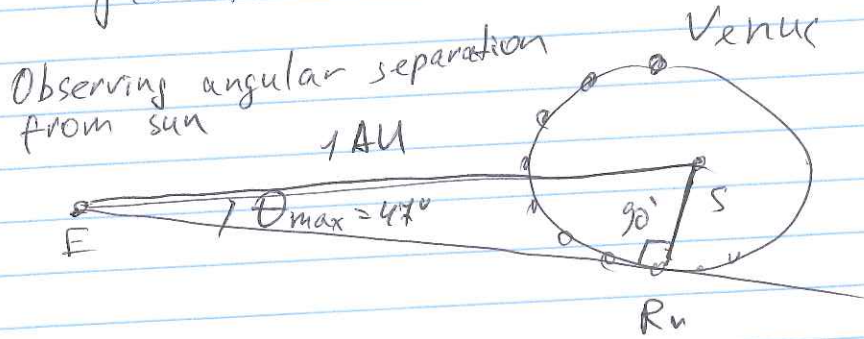


## Lecture 2

~~How to~~ Plan: How to measure relative distances to planets

- \* Parallax (as measure distances)
- \* Physiological limit for eyes angle resolution
- \* Diffraction limited optics, Airy disk, Rayleigh criterion

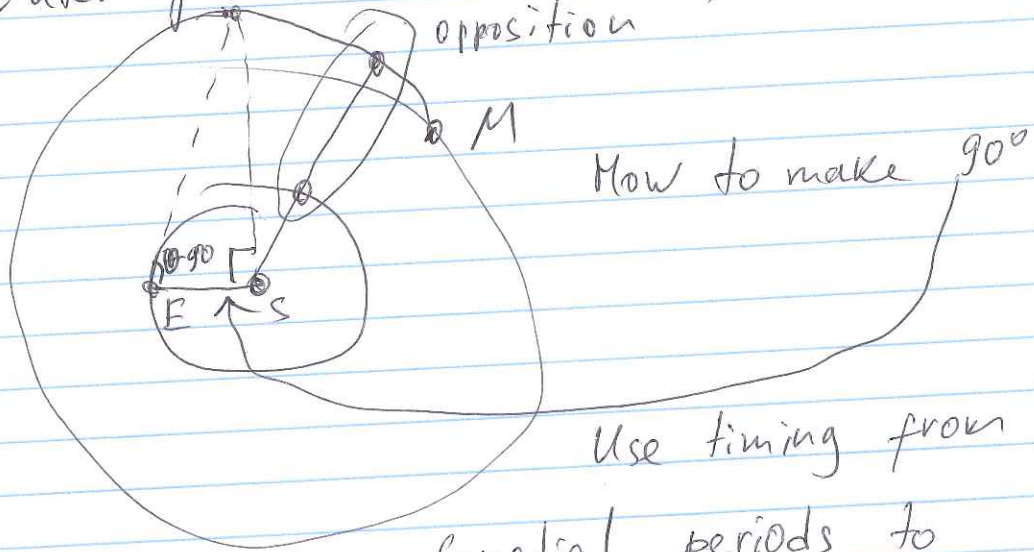
Distance in A.U. to the inner planets



$$\Rightarrow R_{\text{Venus}} = \frac{1 \text{ AU} \cdot \sin 47^\circ}{1} \approx 0.73 \text{ AU}$$

Same for Mercury

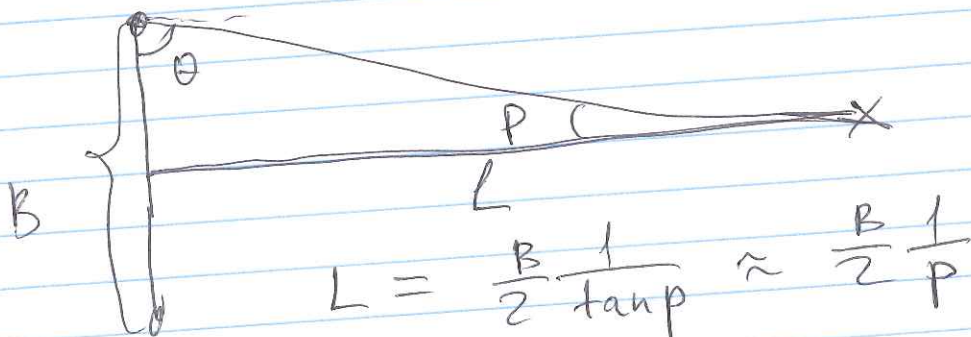
Outer planets are tricky opposition



Use timing from synodical periods to find ~~the~~ sidereal period and wait some time after opposition  $\Rightarrow \frac{S}{4}$  sidereal period

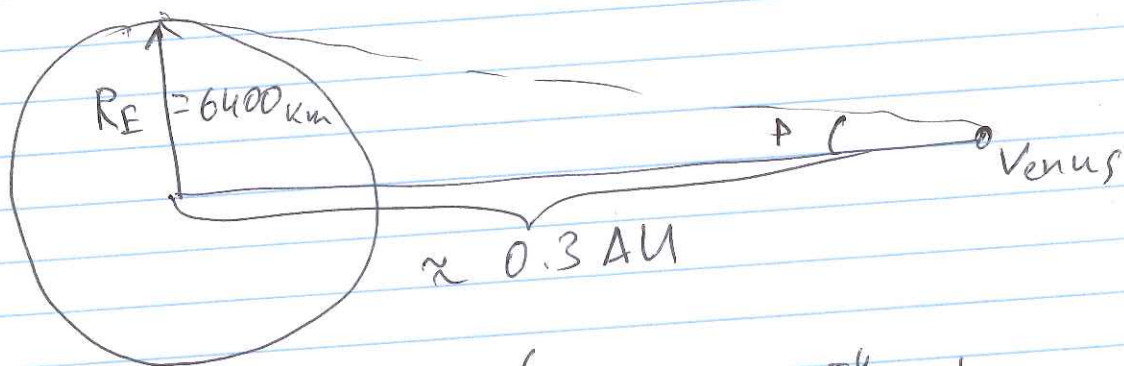
$$\frac{1}{S} = \frac{1}{P_E} - \frac{1}{P_M}$$

Parallax: all we need is compass and a base



Problem: Why it is hard to measure 1 AU.

let's try to measure of Venus.

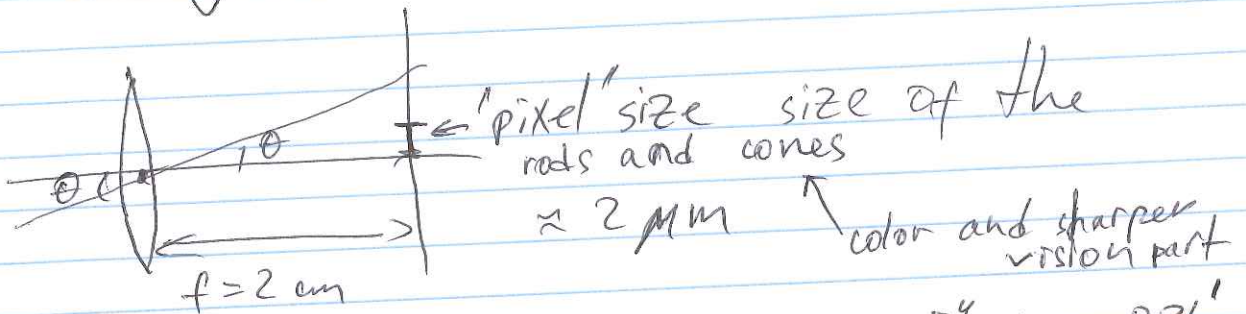
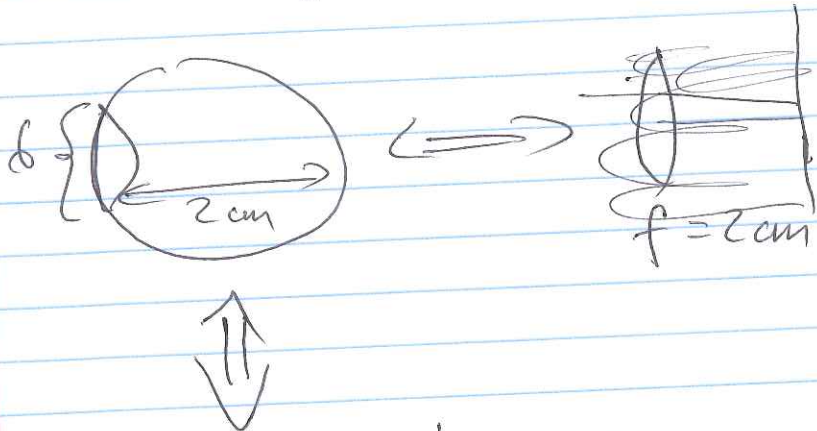


$$p = \frac{6.4 \cdot 10^6}{0.3 \cdot 1.5 \cdot 10^{11}} \approx 1.4 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ rad}$$

$$\approx 1.4 \cdot 10^{-4} \cdot \frac{180^\circ}{\pi \text{ rad}} \cdot \frac{60'}{1^\circ} \approx 0.48'$$

Tycho  
Well ~~Kepler~~ can do 4' ~~but for relative~~  
so no way with naked eye  
and there were no way to do  
Earth sized base at his time (prior 1601).  
~~since~~ Magellan (made his trip in 1519-1522) though

# Physiological limits for an eye



$$\Rightarrow \theta_{min} = \frac{2 \text{ mm}}{2 \text{ cm}} \approx 10^{-4} \text{ rad} \approx 0.34'$$

Books says ( ~~Oniuka~~ "Oniuka" ~~Aarberg~~ Аарберг )

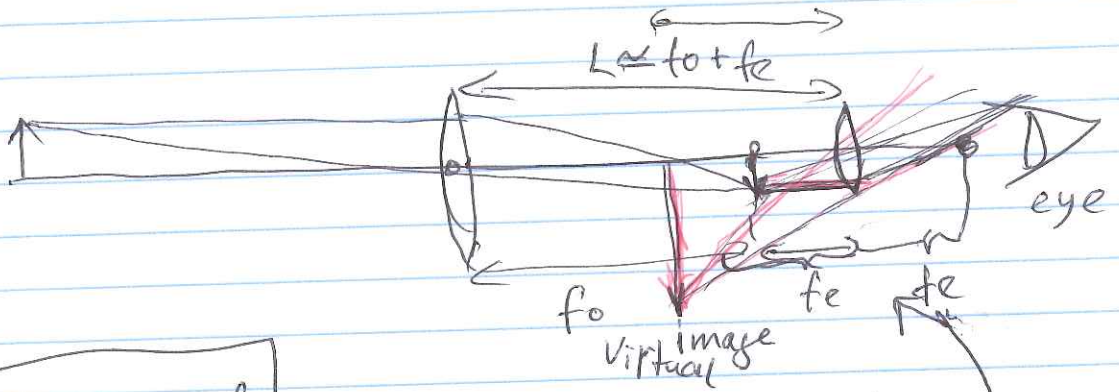
Physio limit 1" but for bright objects

so 4' of Tycho is quite impressive

NB: Amazingly Physiological limit close to diffraction limited case

$$\theta_{min} = 1.22 \frac{\lambda}{d} = 1.22 \frac{500 \text{ nm}}{2 \text{ mm}} \approx 3 \cdot 10^{-4}$$

Telescope, is the way to lift physiological limit



$$M = \frac{f_o}{f_e} \Rightarrow \text{angular magnification} \Rightarrow \theta_{\min} = \frac{\theta_{\text{physiological}}}{M}$$

$f_o > f_e$

$$\text{lens} = \frac{1}{f} = (n-1) \left( \frac{1}{R_1} - \frac{1}{R_2} \right)$$

~~$\frac{1}{d_i} + \frac{1}{d_o} = \frac{1}{f}$~~

eye lens used as magnifying lens for image formed by objective

There is a limit for 'M' since  $f_e$  cannot be too small

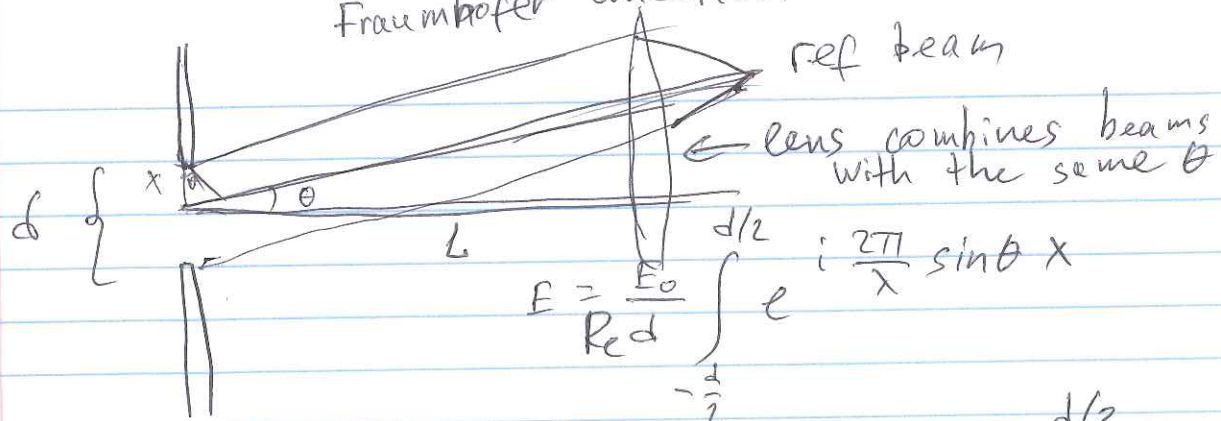
$$f \sim R_{\text{of lens}} \Rightarrow f \rightarrow R \rightarrow \dots$$

lens would look like a "glass bead" with very limited aperture!

But there is another limit

Diffraction

diffraction on slit for simplicity  
Fraunhofer condition  $d \ll L$



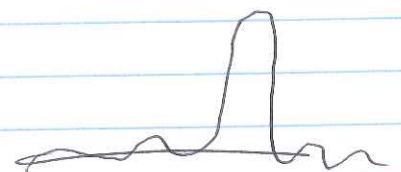
$$E = \frac{E_0}{\text{Re}d} \int_{-\frac{d}{2}}^{\frac{d}{2}} e^{i \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \sin\theta x} dx$$

$$= \text{Re} \frac{E_0}{d} \frac{e^{i \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \sin\theta x} \Big|_{-d/2}^{d/2}}{i \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \sin\theta}$$

$$= \text{Re} \frac{E_0}{d} \frac{e^{i \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \sin\theta d/2} - e^{-i \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \sin\theta d/2}}{i \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \sin\theta}$$

$$= \frac{E_0}{d} \frac{2 \sin \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \frac{d}{2} \sin\theta}{i \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \sin\theta}$$

$$= \frac{2E_0}{d} \frac{\sin \left( \frac{\pi}{\lambda} d \sin\theta \right)}{\frac{\pi}{\lambda} d \sin\theta}$$



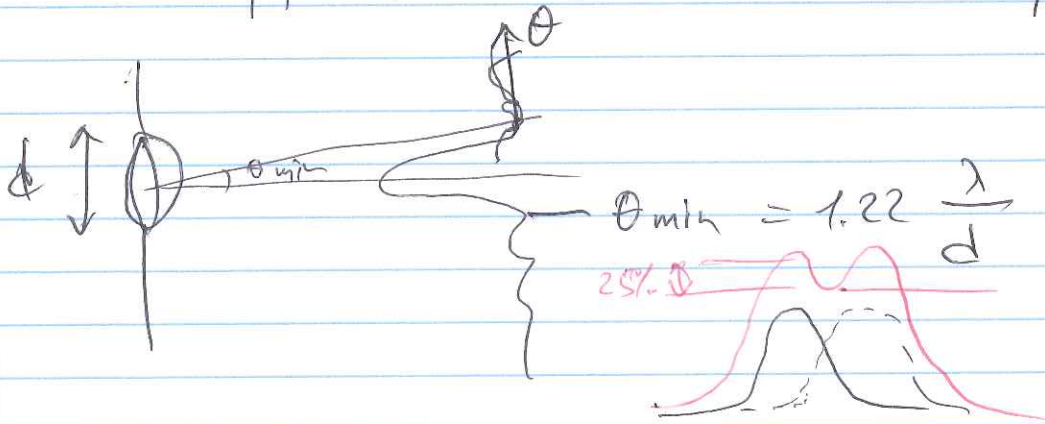
Minima condition

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{\lambda} d \sin\theta = m\pi$$

$$d \sin\theta = m\lambda$$

$$\boxed{\sin\theta = \frac{m\lambda}{d}}$$

# Diffraction at the round aperture



Rayleigh criterion  $\theta_{resolution} = \theta_{min}$

$$E(\theta) = E_0 \frac{2 J_1(kR \sin \theta)}{kR \sin \theta} \Rightarrow R = \frac{d}{2}$$
$$k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$

$$= E_0 \frac{2 J_1\left(\frac{\pi D}{\lambda} \sin \theta\right)}{\frac{\pi}{\lambda} D \sin \theta}$$

Bessel function