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"Optical Design"

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## Optical design

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- Historical background
- The mainframe of optical engineering
- The work of optical design

“If I were endowed with dictatorial powers, I would require everyone receiving a degree in a scientific subject to know its history and to have read the classical papers relating to it.

Historical knowledge is important because it stimulates creative thinking. The man who first struggled with an idea, trying to find a law, looked at the situation with different eyes than do we who accept the law as a matter of course. He considered alternatives to the law, and different interpretations may still be stimulating and worth thinking about.”

Max Herzberger

*Optics from Euclid to Huygens*  
Appl. Opt. **5**, 1383-1393 (1966)

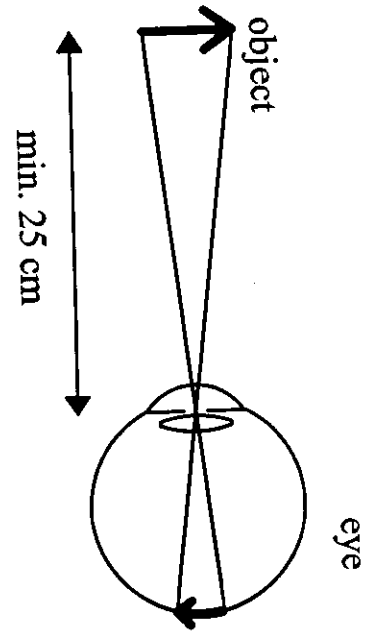
1758 J. Dollond: the achromatic telescope

- ...  
1839 Daguerre: photography invented  
1839 Petzval: the Petzval sum  
1841 Gauss: paraxial optics  
1856 Seidel: the Seidel aberrations  
...  
1886 Schott catalog, with 44 glasses  
1893 H.D. Taylor: the 'Cooke' triplet  
...  
1929 A.E. Conrady, *Applied optics and optical design*  
1930 M. Berek, *Grundlagen der praktischen Optik*  
1936 A. Smakula (C. Zeiss): coating lens surfaces  
in a vacuum patented  
1962 *Military handbook 141: optical design*  
1964 A. Cox, *A system of optics design*

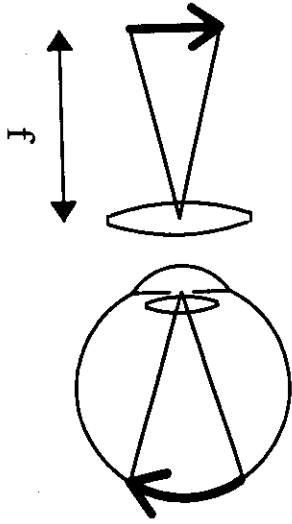
? The magnifying glass

- ...  
~ 1285 Spectacles invented  
...  
~ 1608 Hans Lippershey: telescope  
~ 1608 Zacharias Janssen: compound microscope  
1610 Galileo's telescope  
1611 Kepler, *Dioptrice*: small angle refraction law  
 $i \propto i'$   
1615 The achievement of Sagredo:  $\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{f_1} + \frac{1}{f_2}$   
1621 Snell: refraction law empirically discovered  
~ 1628 C. Scheiner: the Keplerian telescope made  
1637 Descartes, *La Dioptrique*:  $n \sin i = n' \sin i'$   
1647 B. Cavalieri, *Exercitationes geometricae*:  
lensmaker's formula  $\frac{1}{f} = (n - 1) \left( \frac{1}{R_1} - \frac{1}{R_2} \right)$   
1653 Huygens, *Dioptrica*: conjugation law  
~ 1660 Huygens eyepiece, with field lens  
~ 1660 Campani erector, with two lenses  
1668 Newton: the reflective telescope  
1670 Newton, *Lectiones opticae*:  
spherical aberration calculated  
...

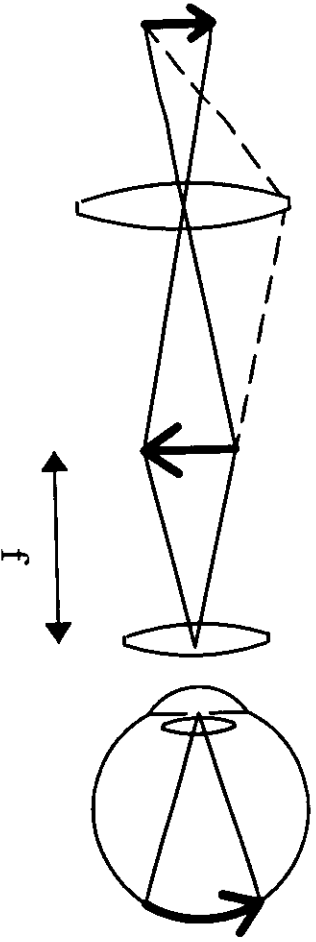
The naked eye looks at the object



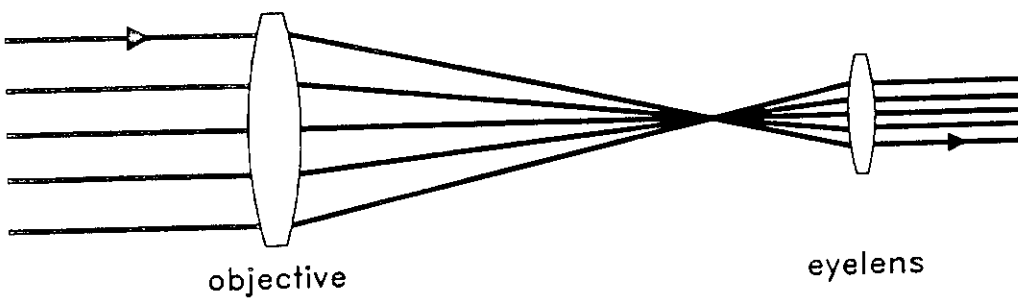
The eye looks at the object through a lens



The eye looks at the image through a lens



Astronomical (Keplerian) telescope



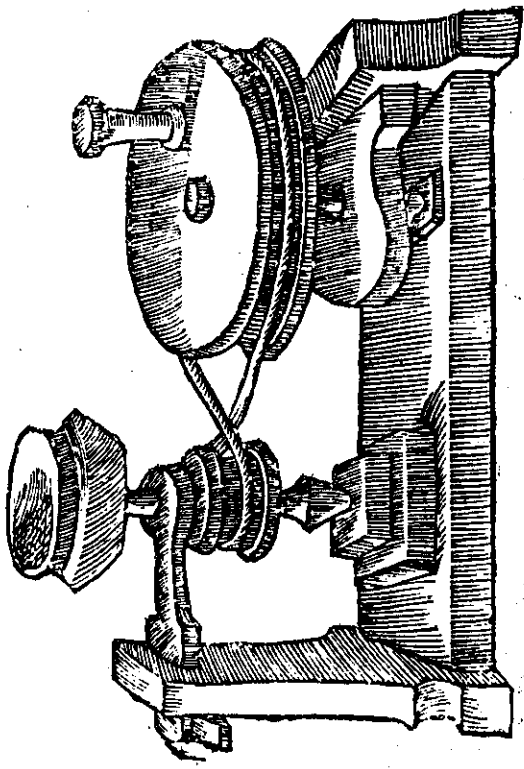
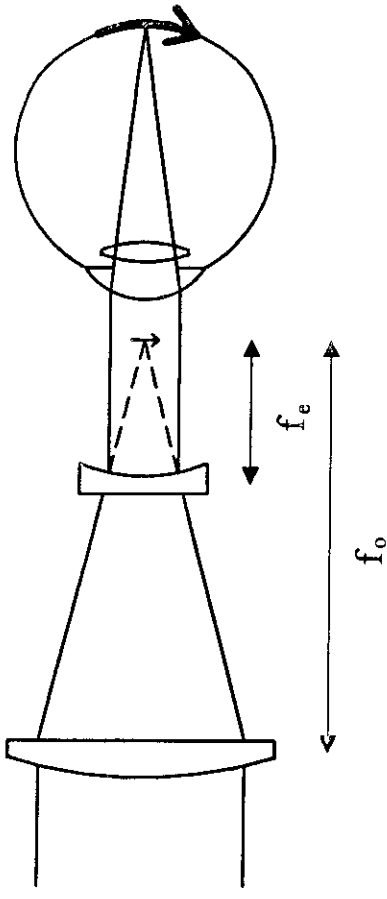


Fig. 3. A lens-grinding lathe designed by Ippolito Francini of Florence, on which Galileo's later lenses were probably produced. From Manzini, *L'Occhiale all'Orchio...*

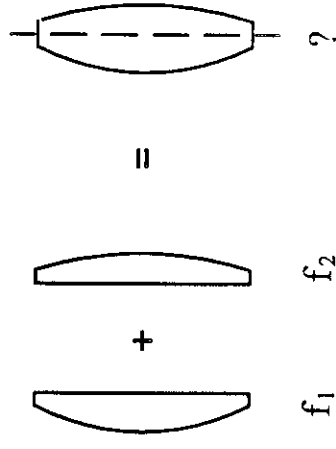


Fig. 2. A « tornio in aria » used by early lens-makers for the production of telescopic lenses at Murano and Venice. From Conte Carlo Antonio Manzini, *L'Occhiale all'Orchio, Dioptrica Pratica*, Bologna 1660.

Lenses originally used by Galileo were plano-convex

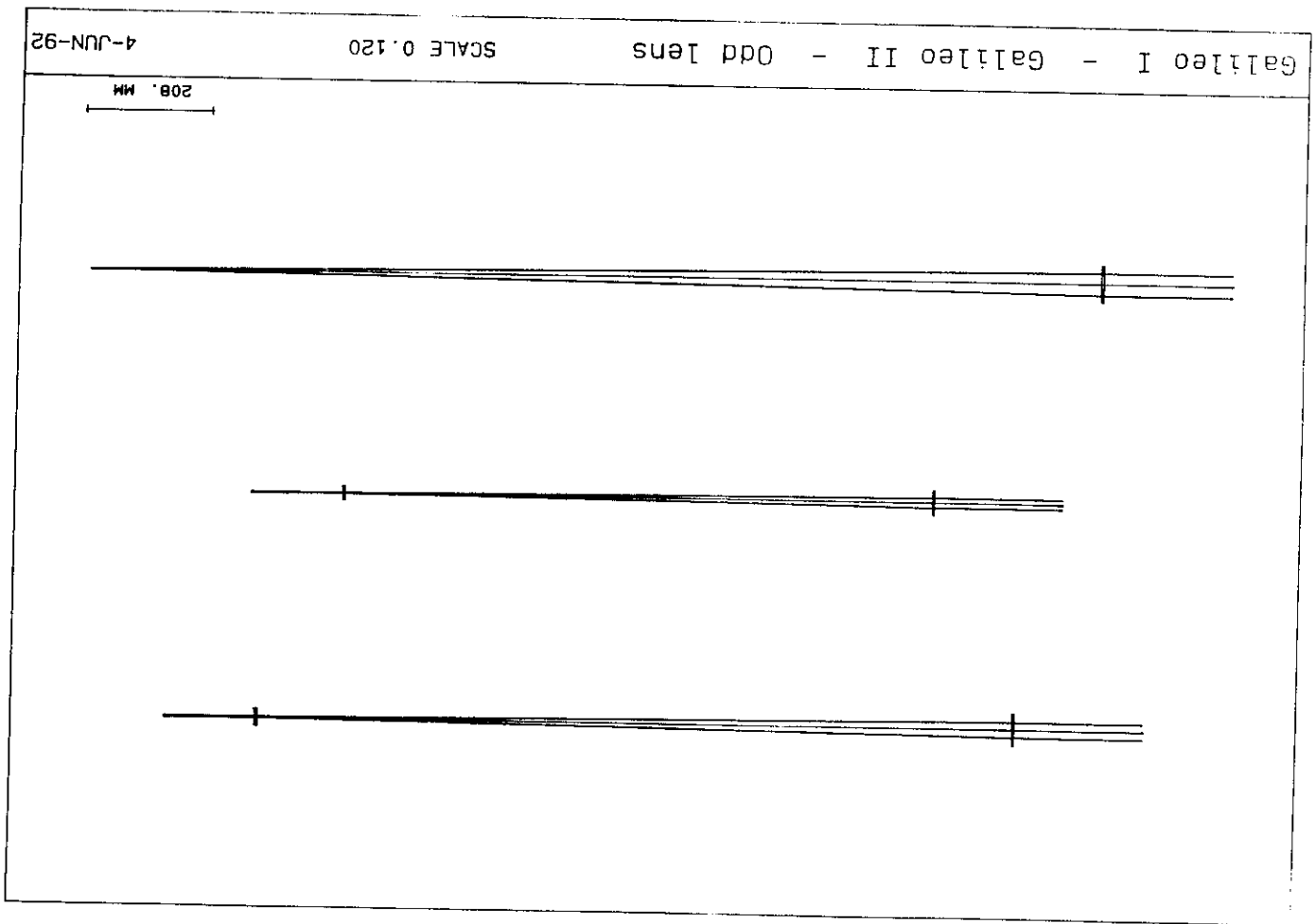


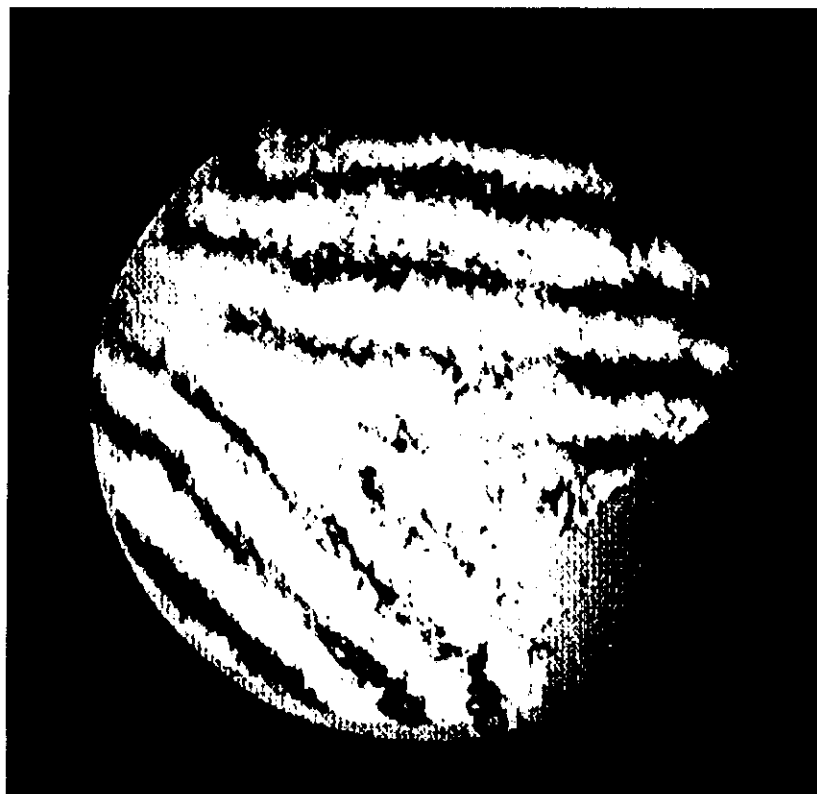
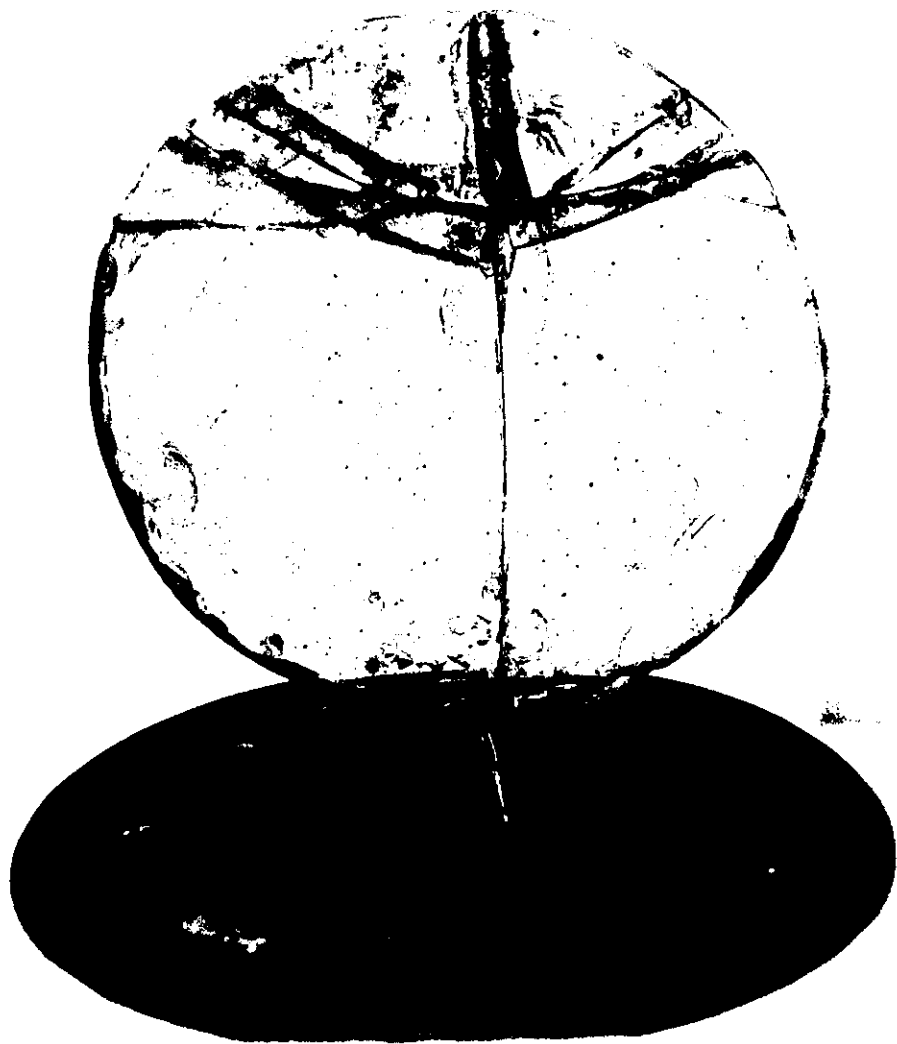
How about using a bi - convex objective ?



$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{f_1} + \frac{1}{f_2}$$

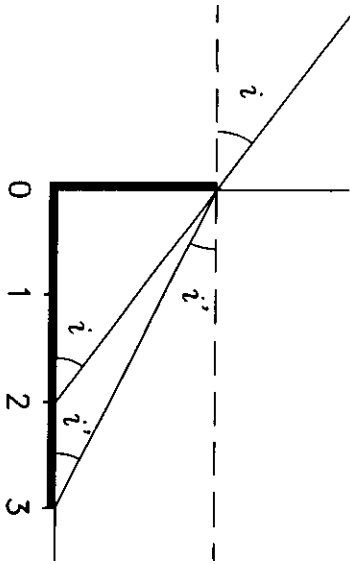
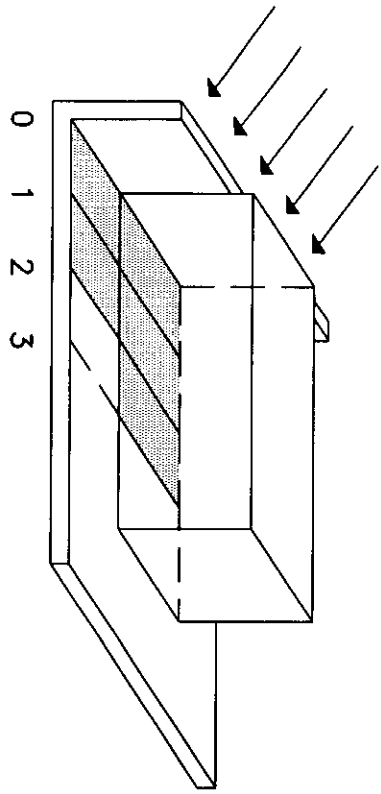
Sagredo, 1615







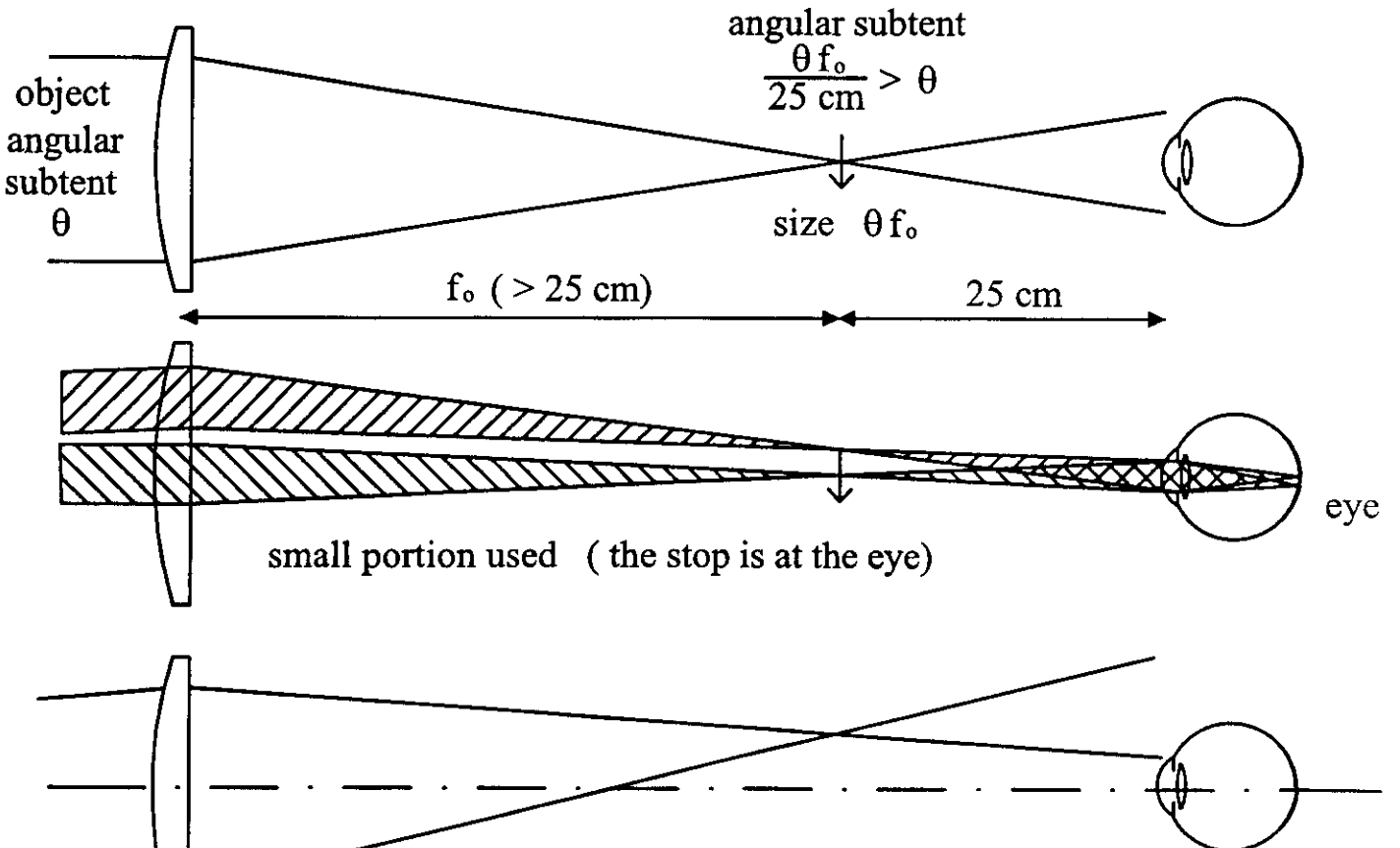
# DIOPTRICE (Kepler, 1611)

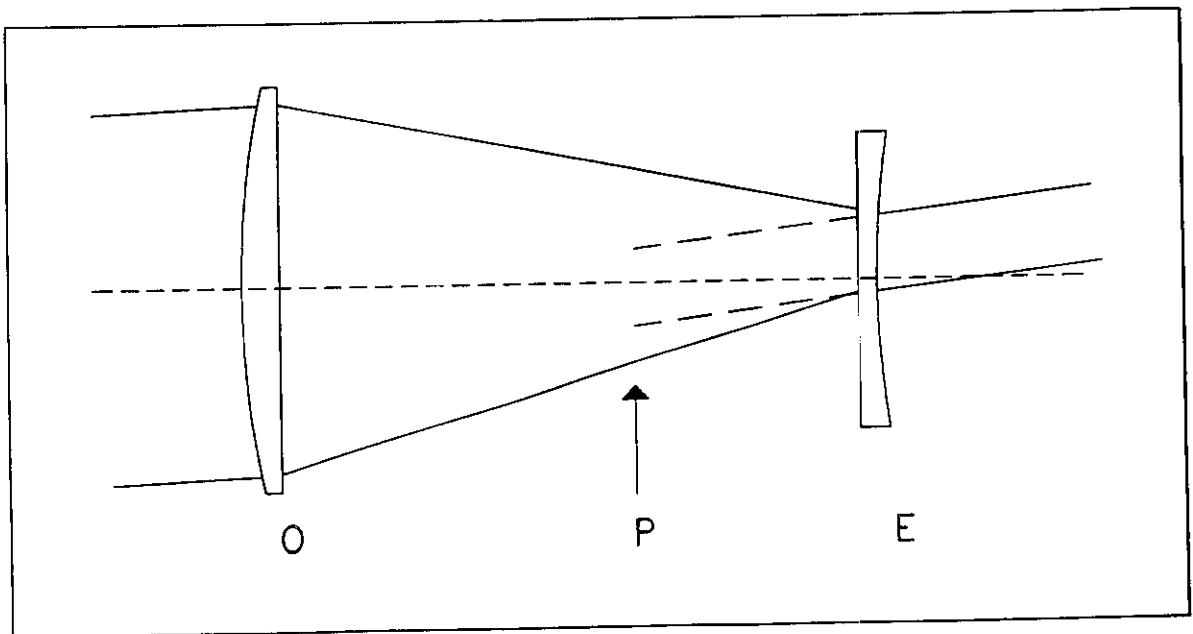
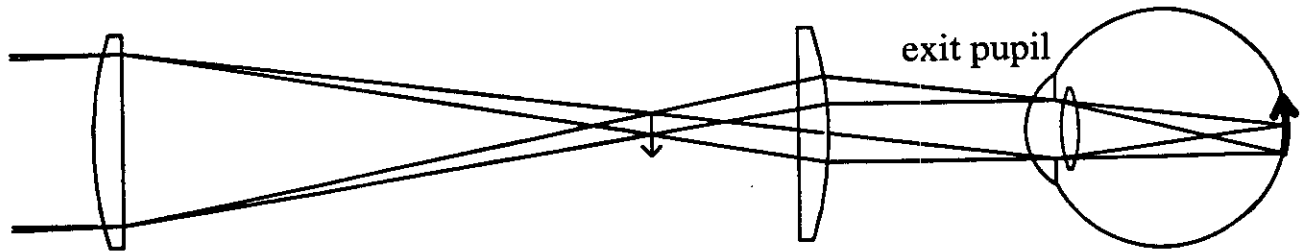
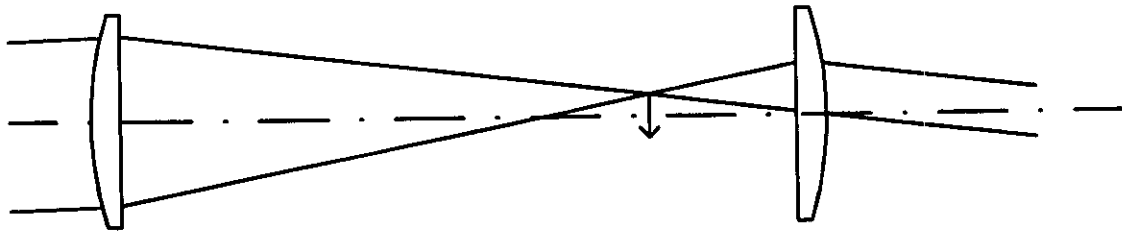


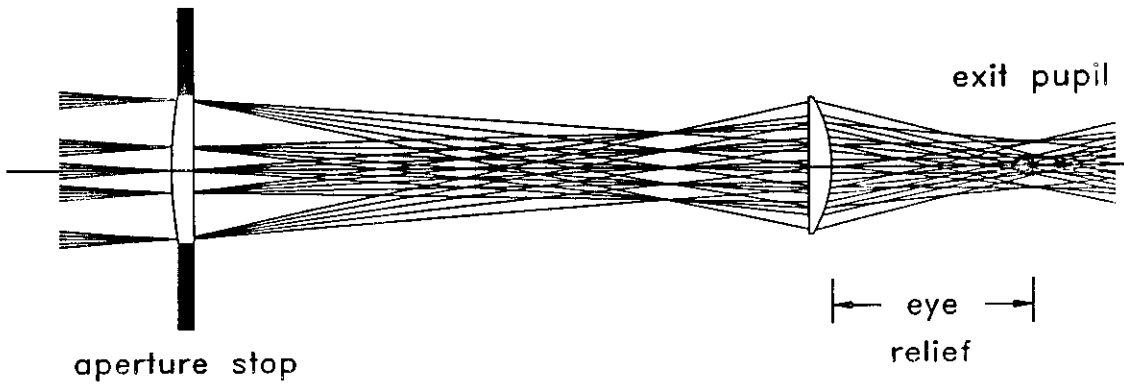
For incidence angles up to  $30^\circ$

$$i = \frac{3}{2} i'$$

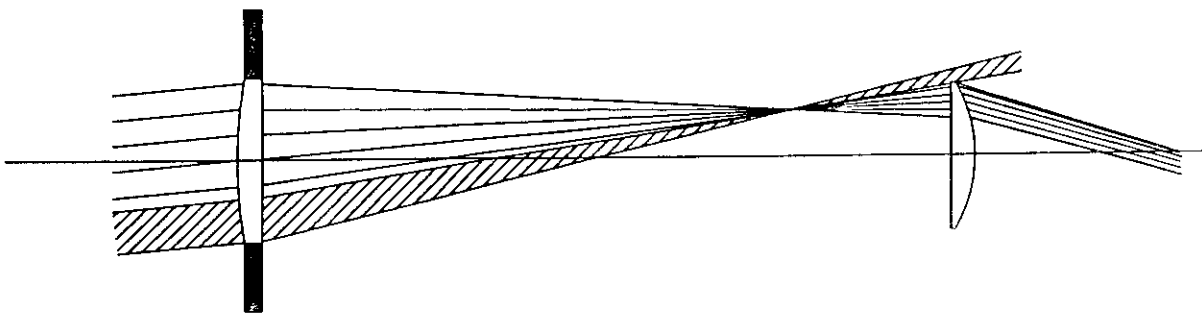
The telescope. Why is the eyelens required?



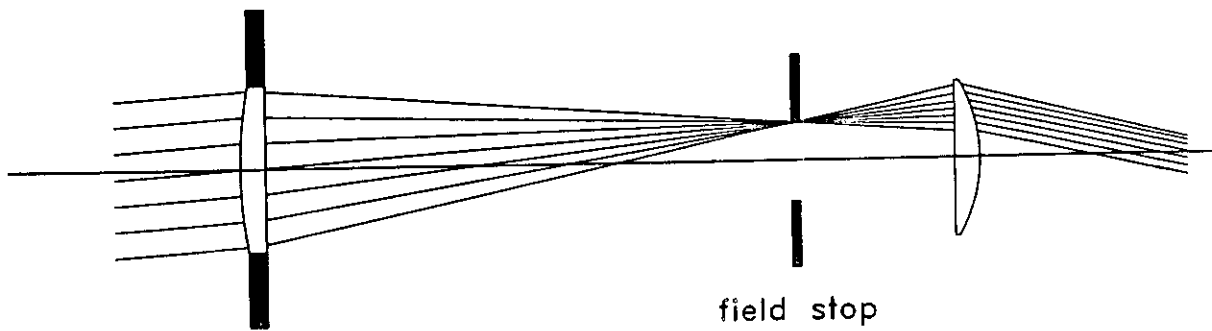




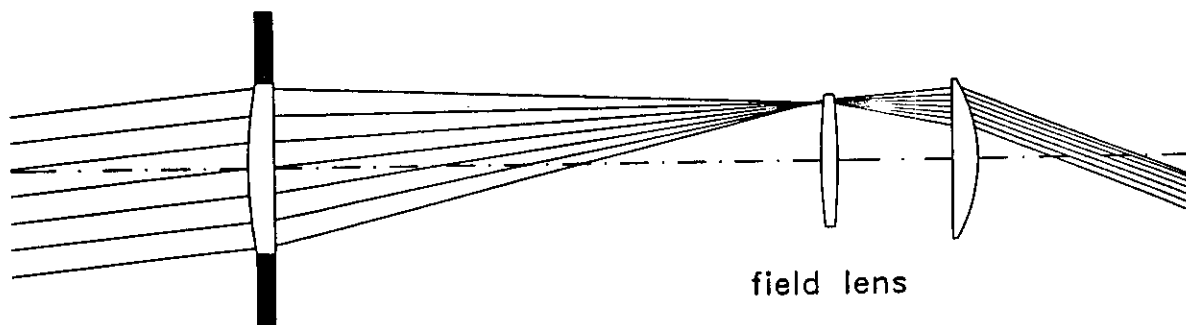
*4° max. field angle*



*5° field angle*

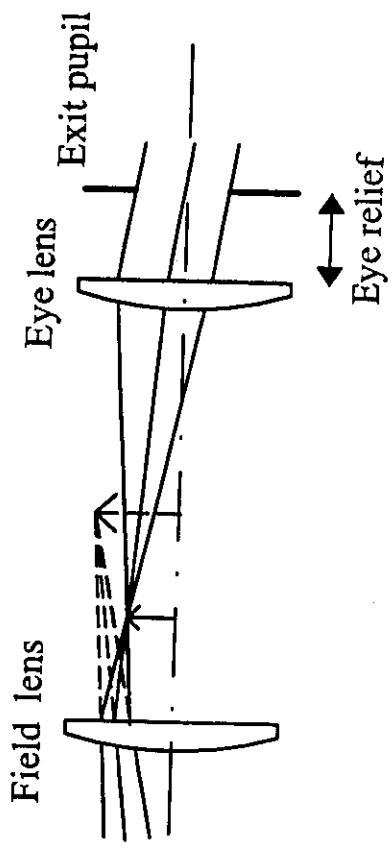
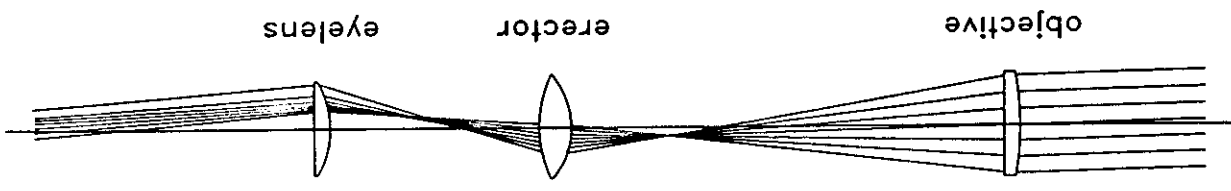


*4° field angle*

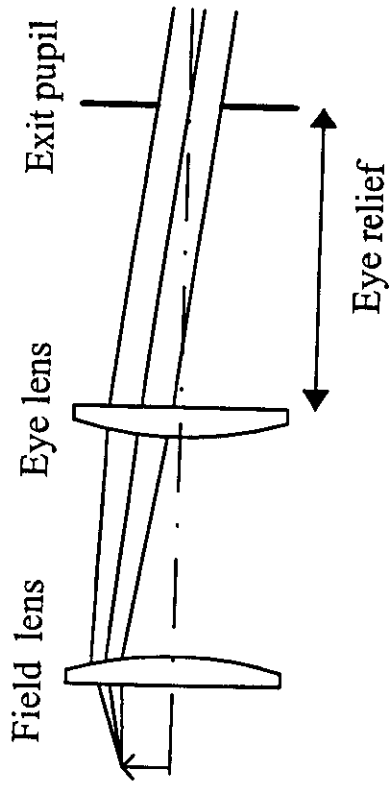


*6° field angle*

1.5° field angle

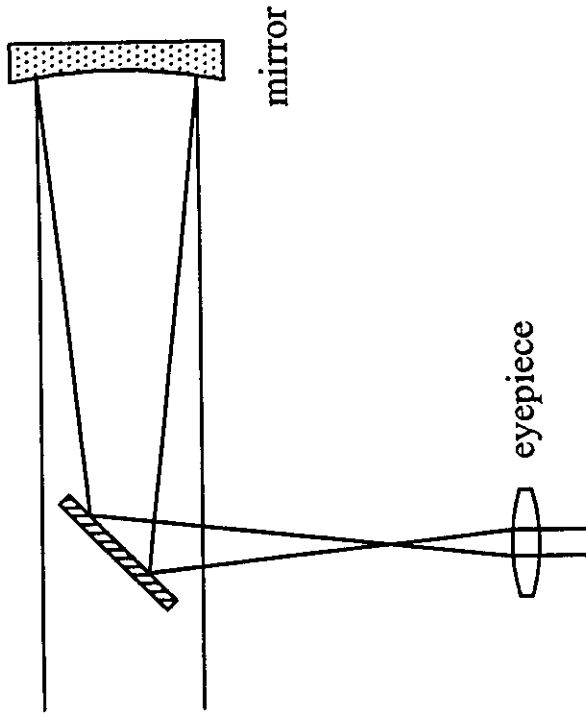


The Huygens eyepiece

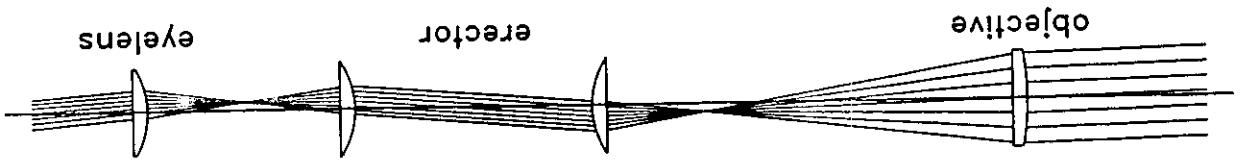


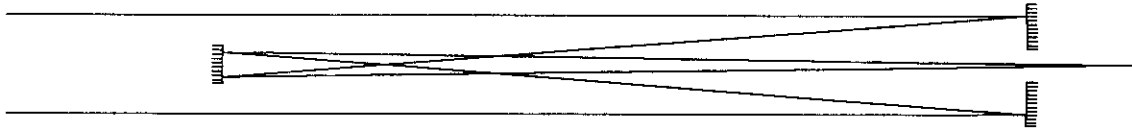
The Ramsden eyepiece

Newton: The reflective telescope (1668)



1.5° field angle



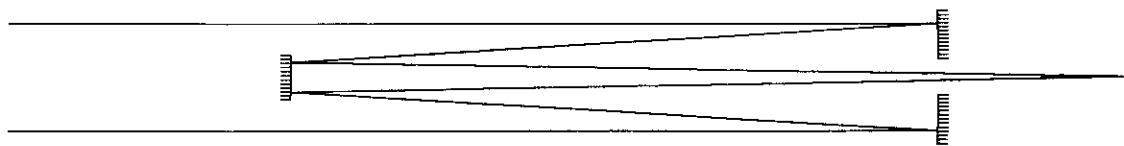


4.10 MM

Gregorian telescope (1663)

Scale: 6.10

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3.68 MM

Cassegrain telescope (1672)

Scale: 6.80

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Axial color

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

$$\frac{d(1/f)}{1/f} = \frac{dn}{n-1}$$

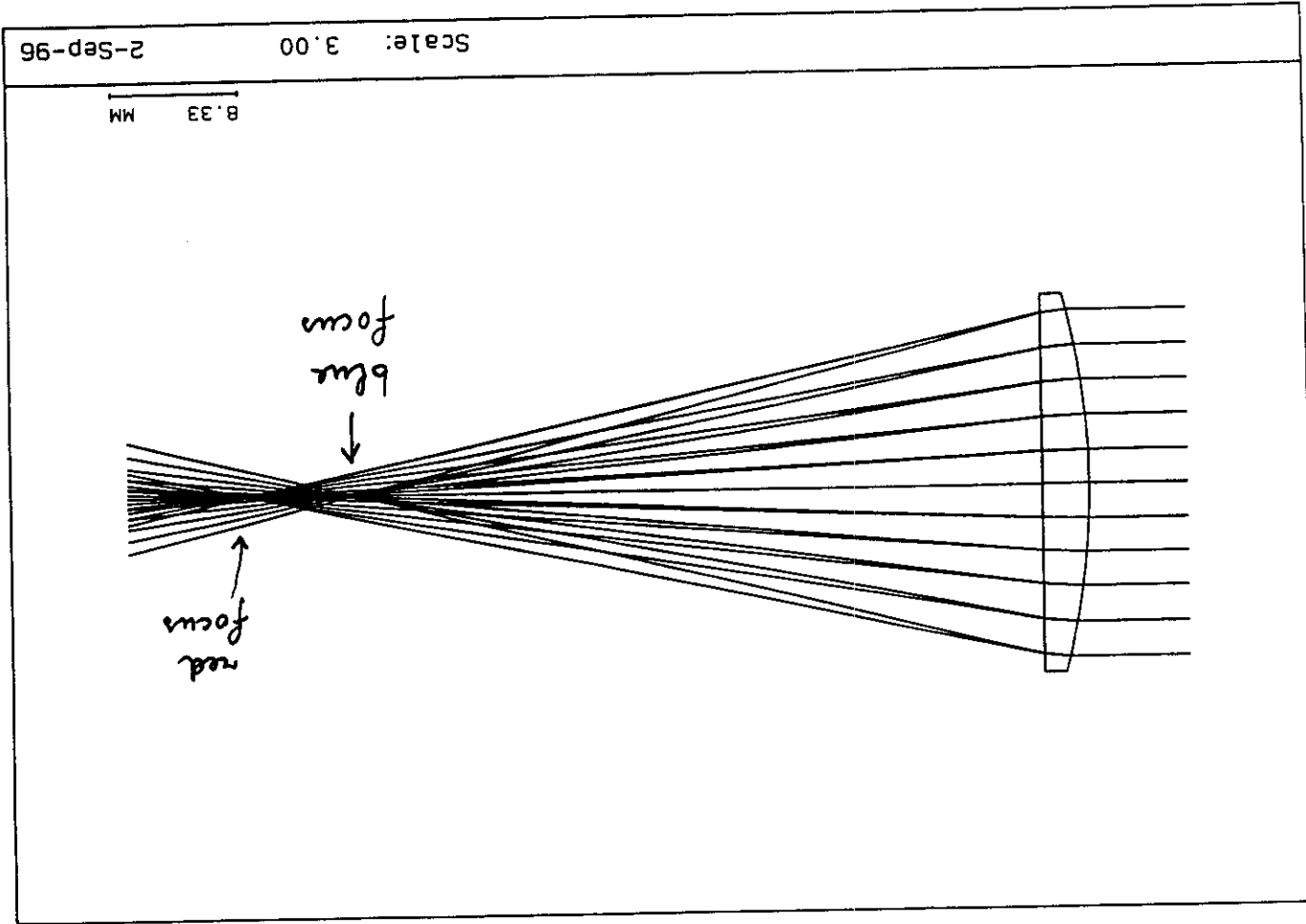
$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{f_1} + \frac{1}{f_2} \quad \text{two lenses}$$

$$\frac{d(1/f)}{1/f} = \frac{1}{f_1} \left( \frac{dn}{n-1} \right)_1 + \frac{1}{f_2} \left( \frac{dn}{n-1} \right)_2$$

If  $\left( \frac{dn}{n-1} \right)_1 = \left( \frac{dn}{n-1} \right)_2$ , then

$d(1/f) = 0$  is only possible for

$$f_2 = -f_1 \quad \left( \Rightarrow \frac{1}{f} = 0 \right)$$





Otherwise:

Refer to spectral lines

$\lambda_d$	587.56 nm	Helium
$\lambda_F$	486.13 nm	Hydrogen
$\lambda_C$	656.27 nm	Hydrogen

and define the "Abbe number"  $V_d$ :

$$V_d = \frac{n_d - 1}{n_F - n_C} \left[ \sim \left( \frac{dn}{n-1} \right)^{-1} \right]$$

Write  $\frac{1}{f} = K$ ,  $\frac{1}{f_1} = K_1$ ,  $\frac{1}{f_2} = K_2$  ( $K = K_1 + K_2$ ).

Axial color:

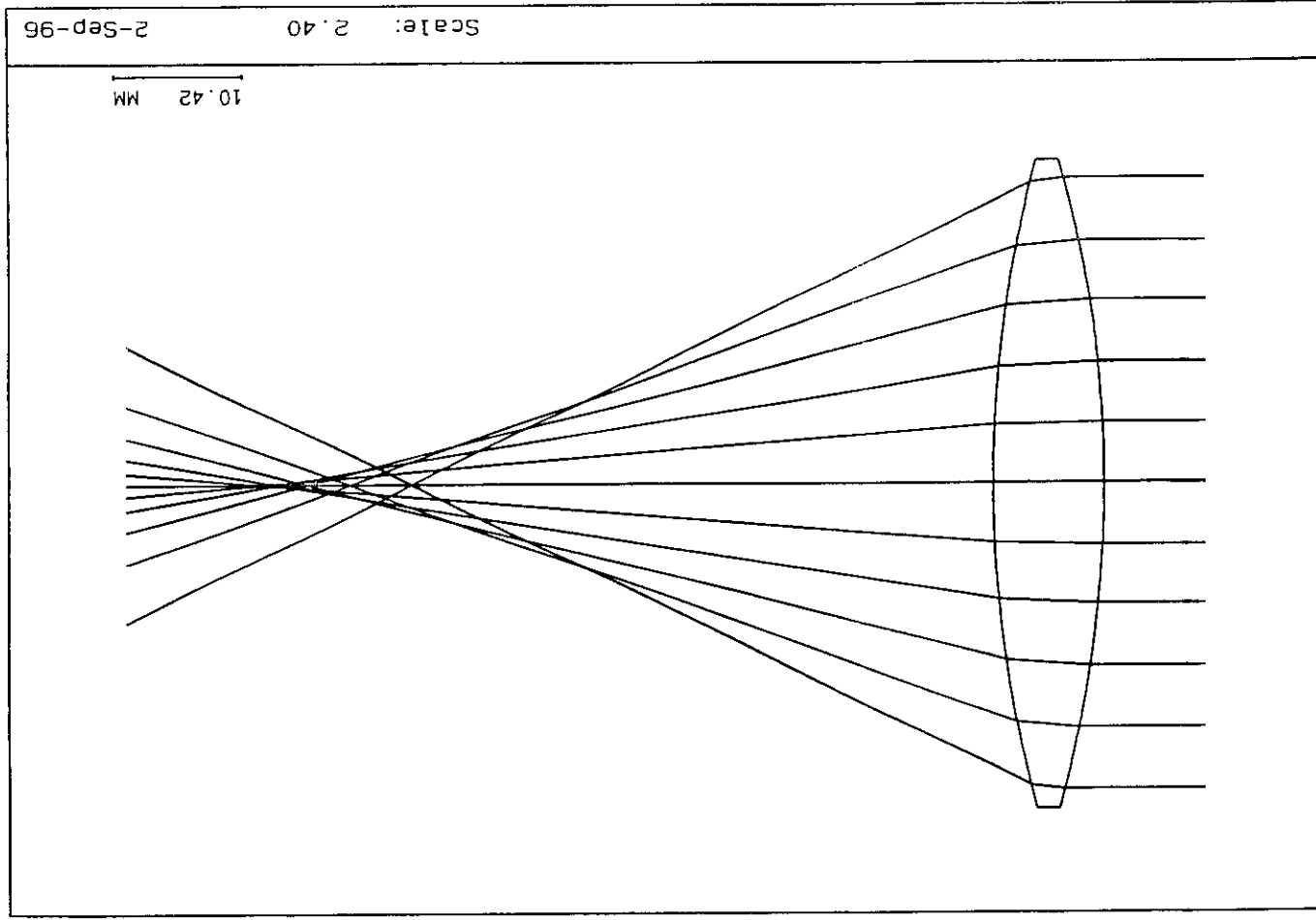
$$\frac{\Delta K}{K} = \frac{K_1}{V_1} + \frac{K_2}{V_2}$$

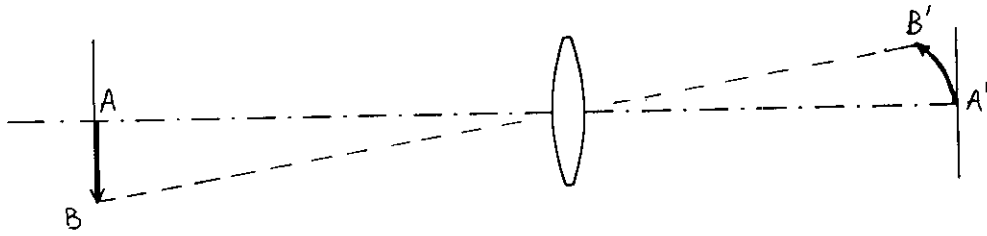
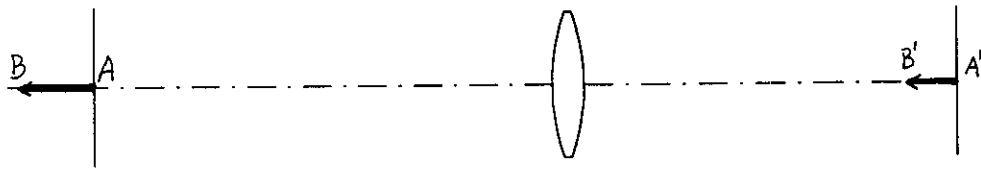
Correcting for the axial color:

$$\Delta K = 0 \implies \begin{aligned} K_1 &= \frac{V_1}{V_1 - V_2} K \\ K_2 &= \frac{-V_2}{V_1 - V_2} K \end{aligned}$$

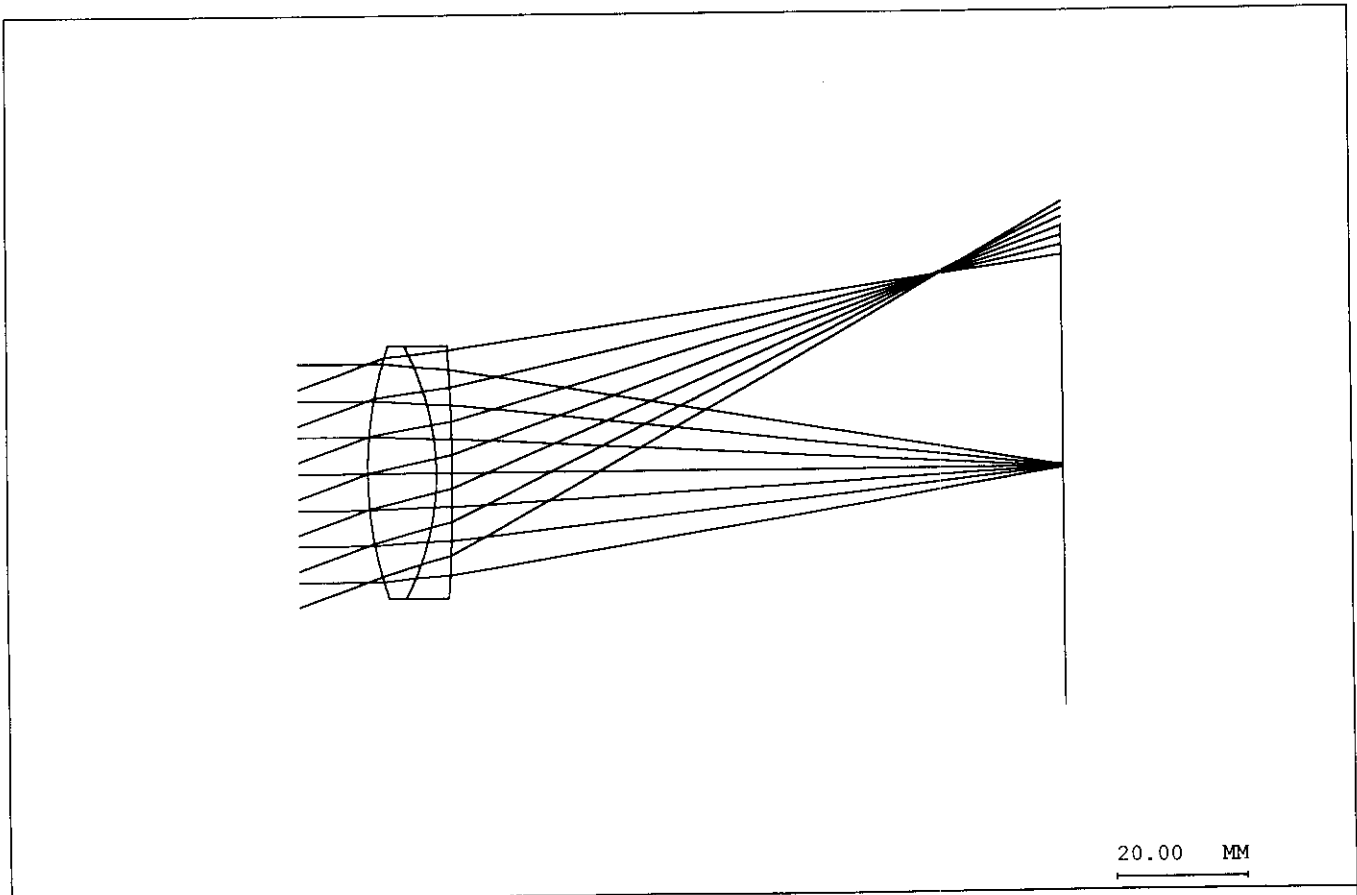
Example:  $V_1 = 60$  (crown glass),  $V_2 = 36$  (flint glass)

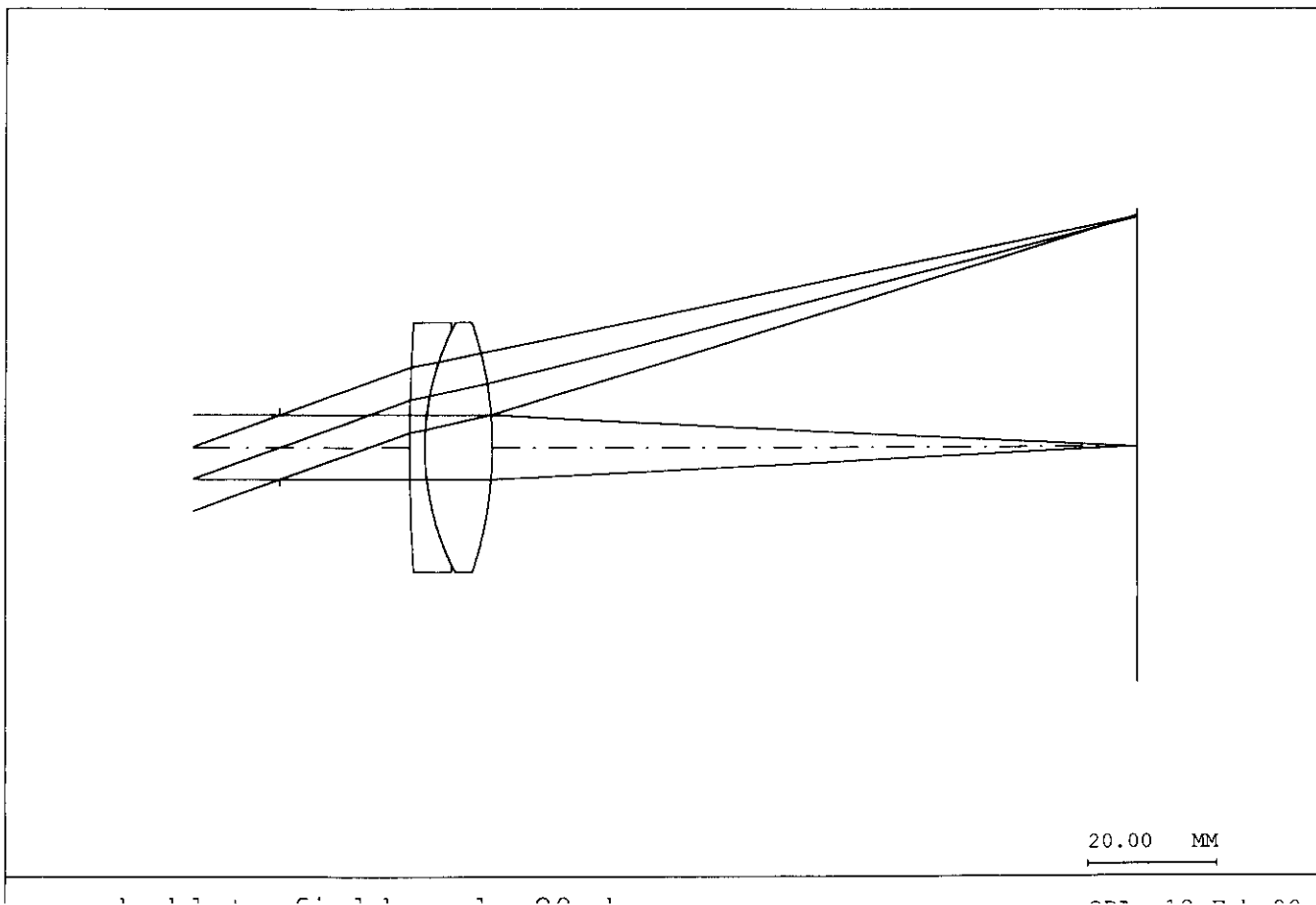
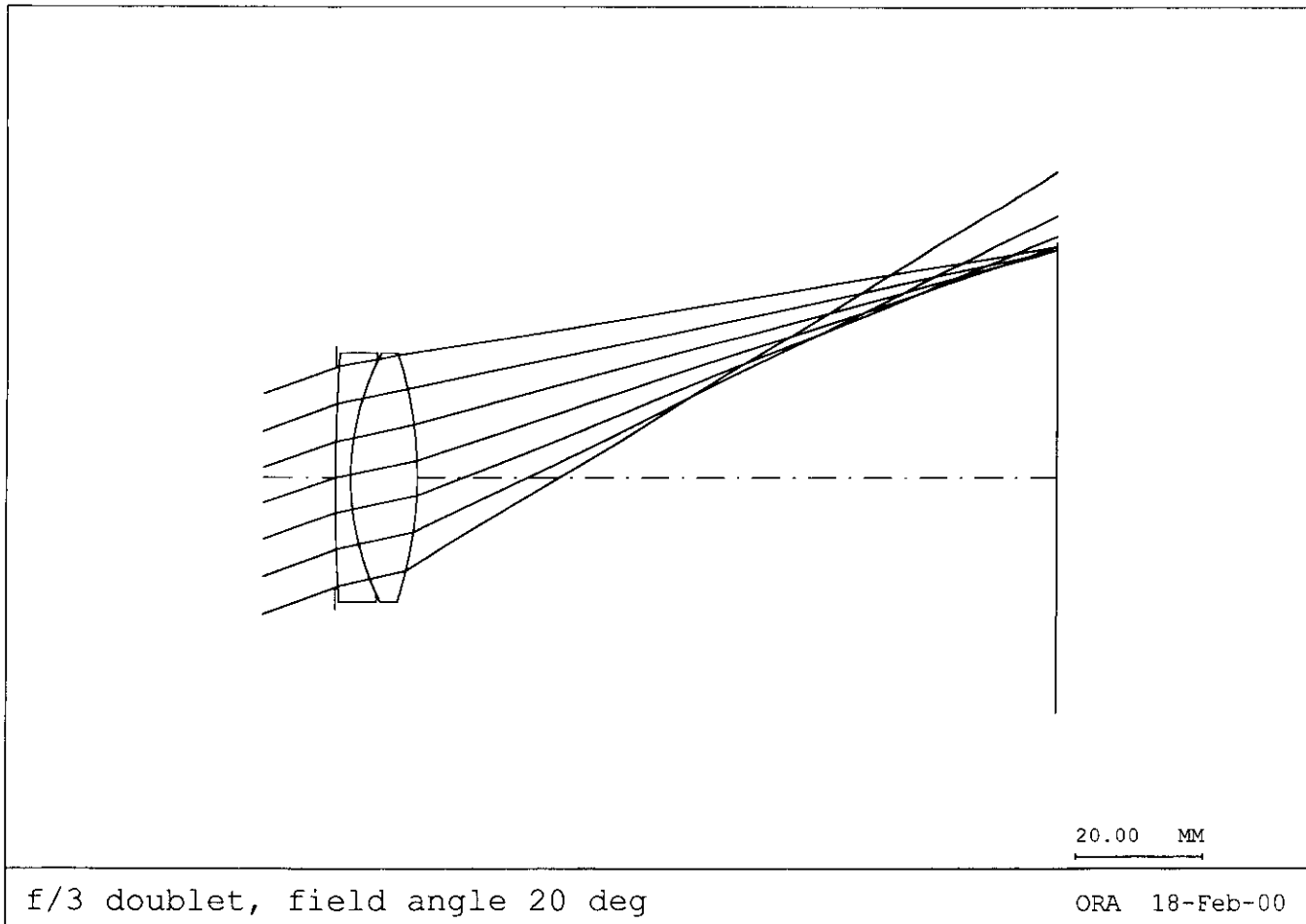
$$\implies K_1 = 2.5 K, \quad K_2 = -1.5 K$$





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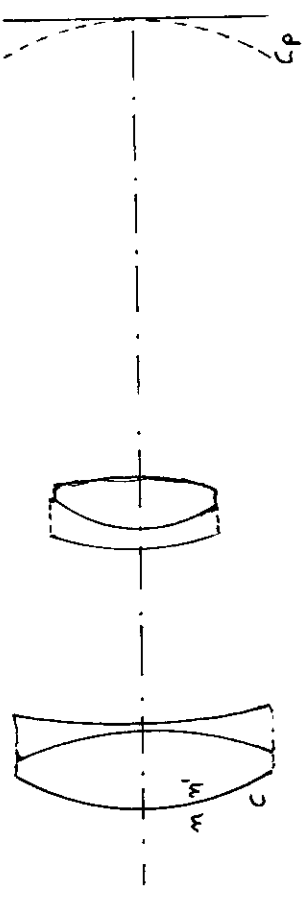
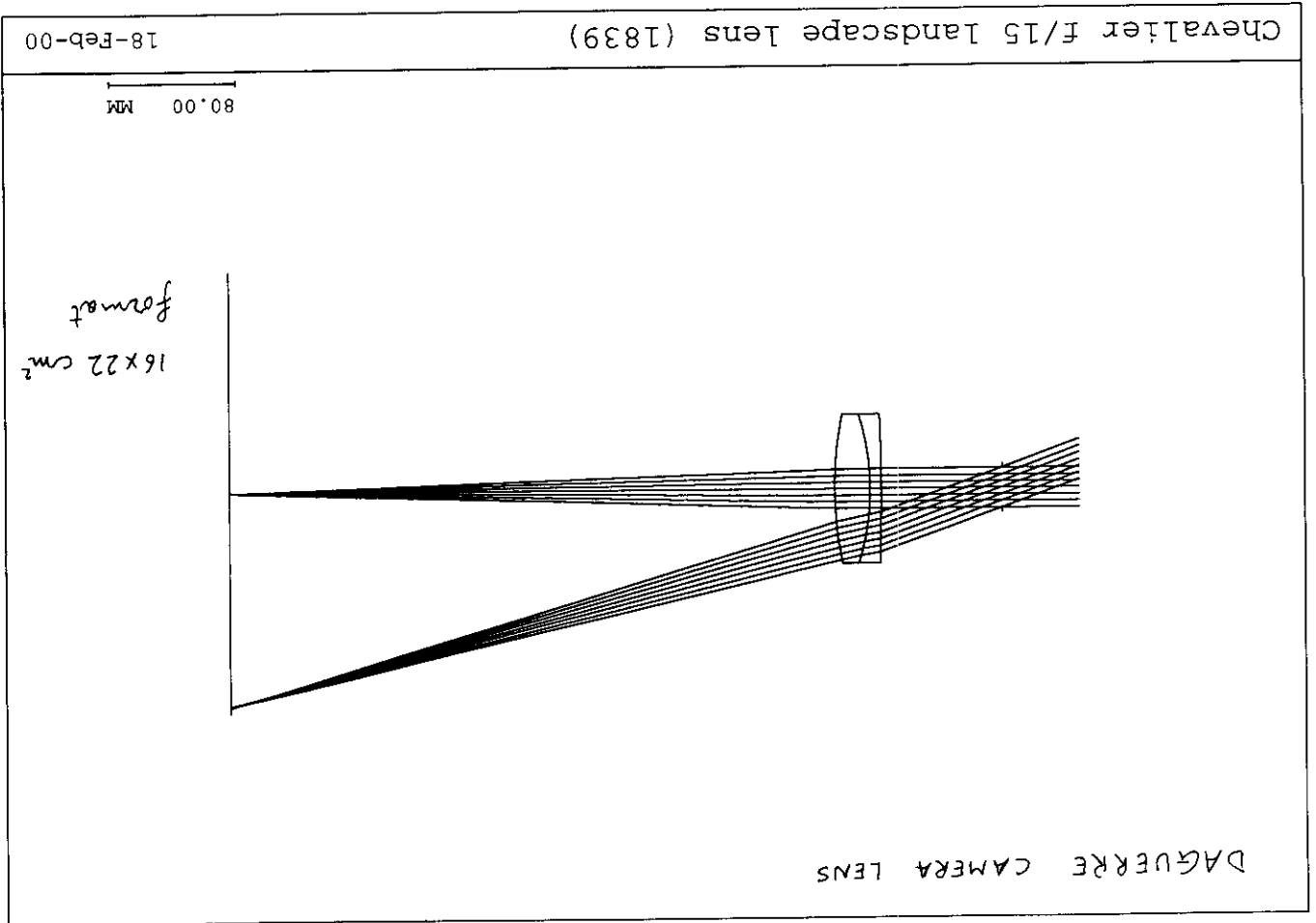




The Petzval sum

... For help with his calculations he approached the Archduke Ludwig, Director General of Artillery in the Austrian army, who ordered that "Corporals Löschner and Haim and eight gunners skilled in computing be placed at his disposal." With this somewhat unusual help, in only about six months Petzval completed the design of two objectives...

R. Kingslake, *A history of the photographic lens*, Academic Press, San Diego 1989, p. 35.



$$K = c(n' - n) \quad \text{surface power} \quad \left(c = \frac{1}{R}\right)$$

$$P = \sum \frac{K}{nn'}$$

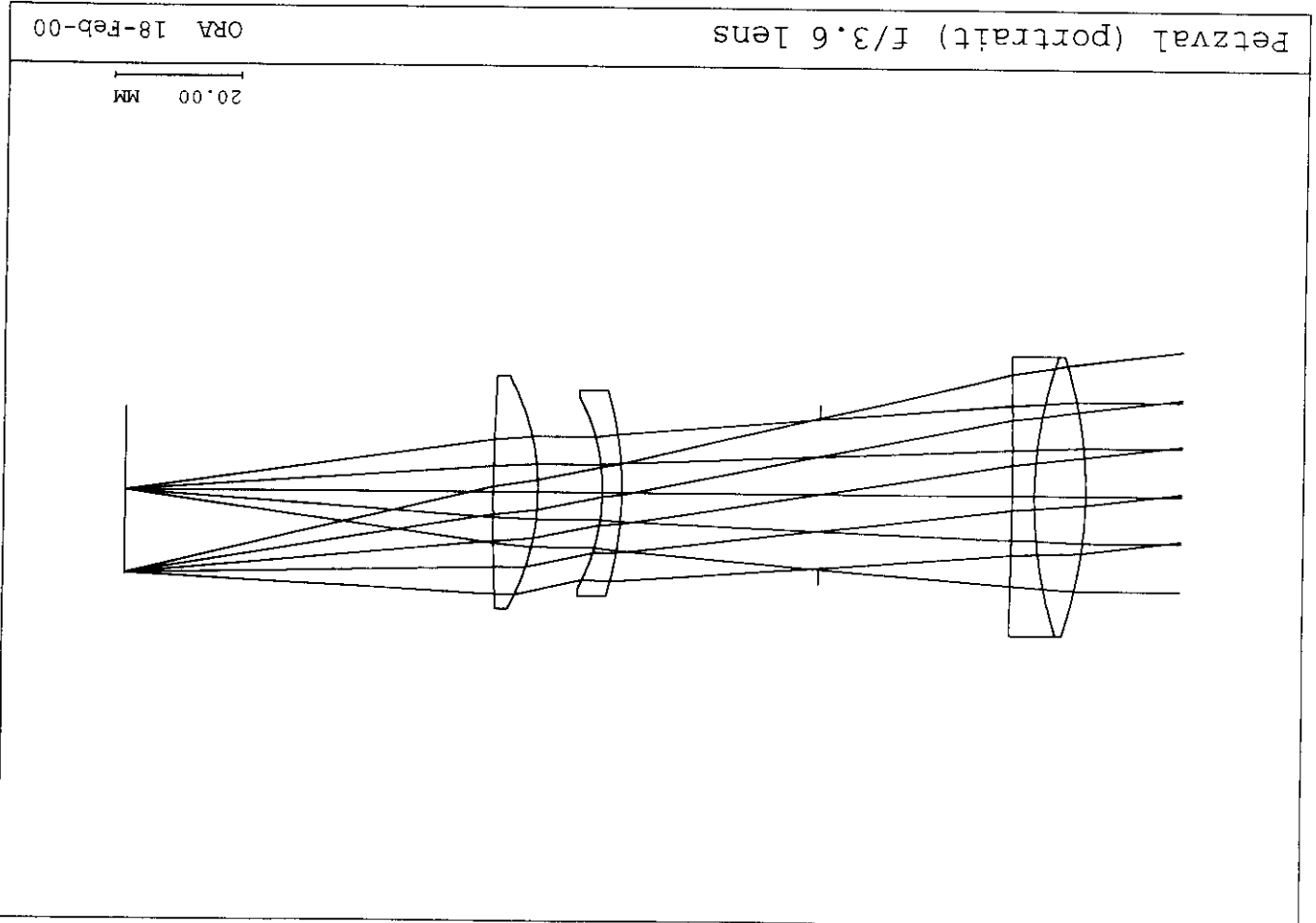
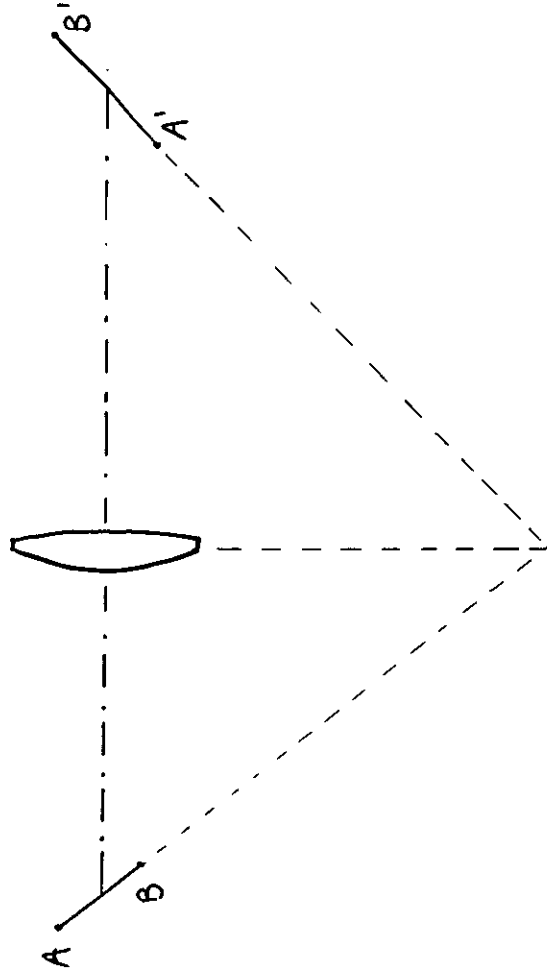
Petzval sum

$$c_p = -P \quad \text{Petzval curvature}$$

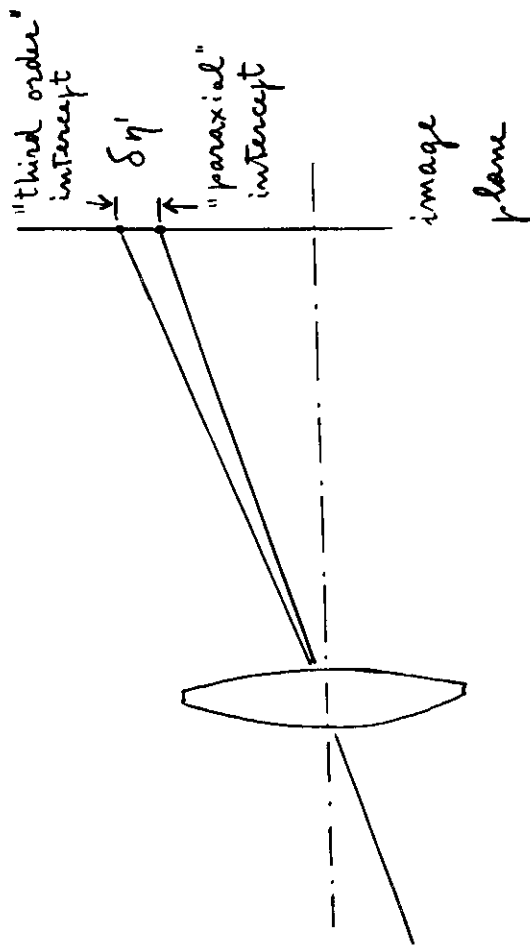
The Scheimpflug condition

“Captain Theodor Scheimpflug of the Austrian army pointed out early in the present century that if the object plane is tilted relative to the lens axis, the image plane will also be tilted in such a way that the object plane, image plane, and median plane through the lens will all meet.”

R. Kingslake, *Optical system design*, Academic Press, Orlando 1983, p. 58.

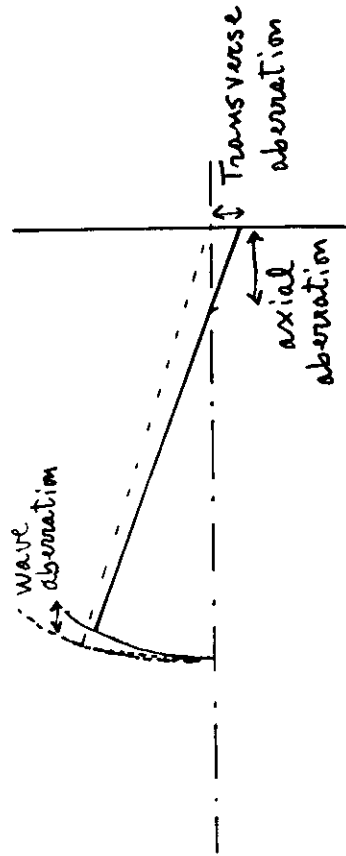


## Aberrations



$\delta\eta'$  results of 5 independent terms ("aberrations").

Aberrations are made of surface contributions, linearly added.



## Seidel aberrations:

Spherical aberration  
Coma  
Astigmatism  
Field curvature  
Distortion

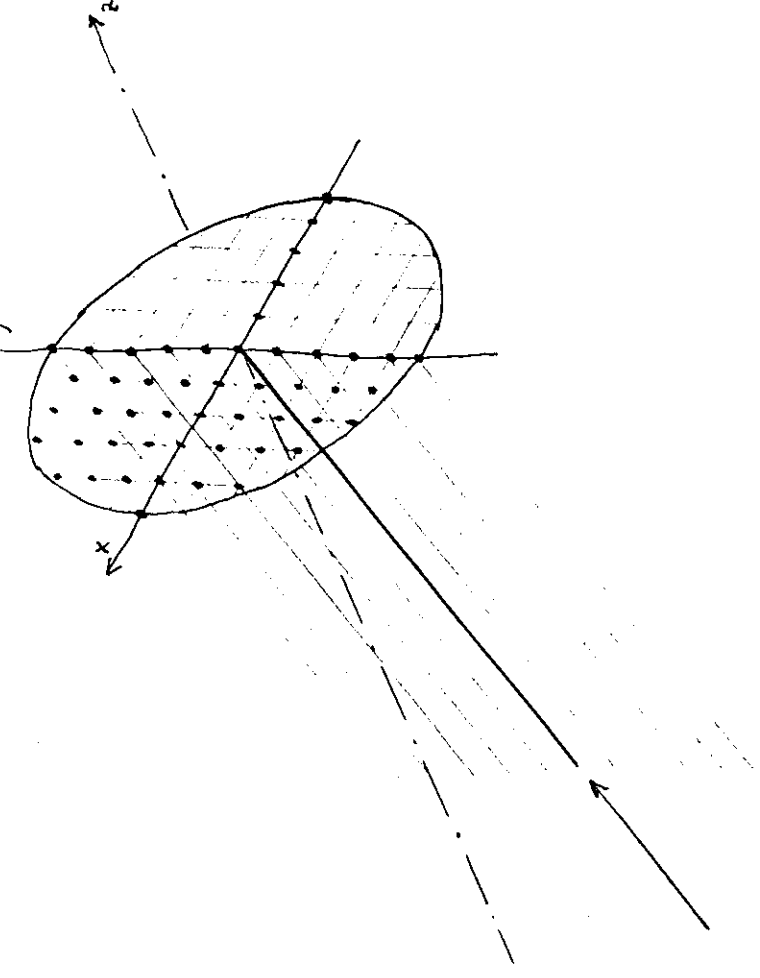
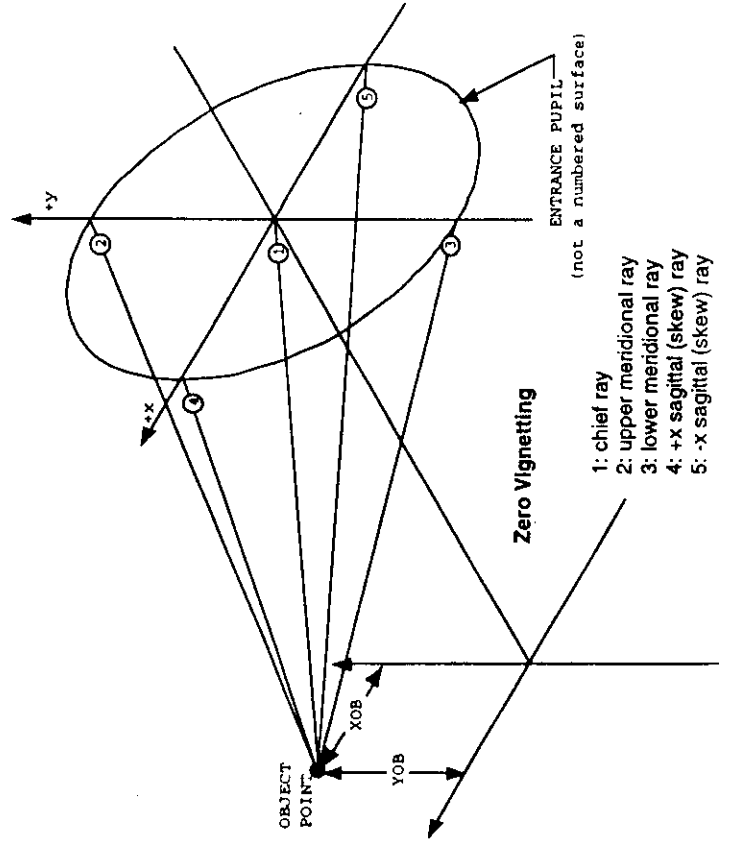
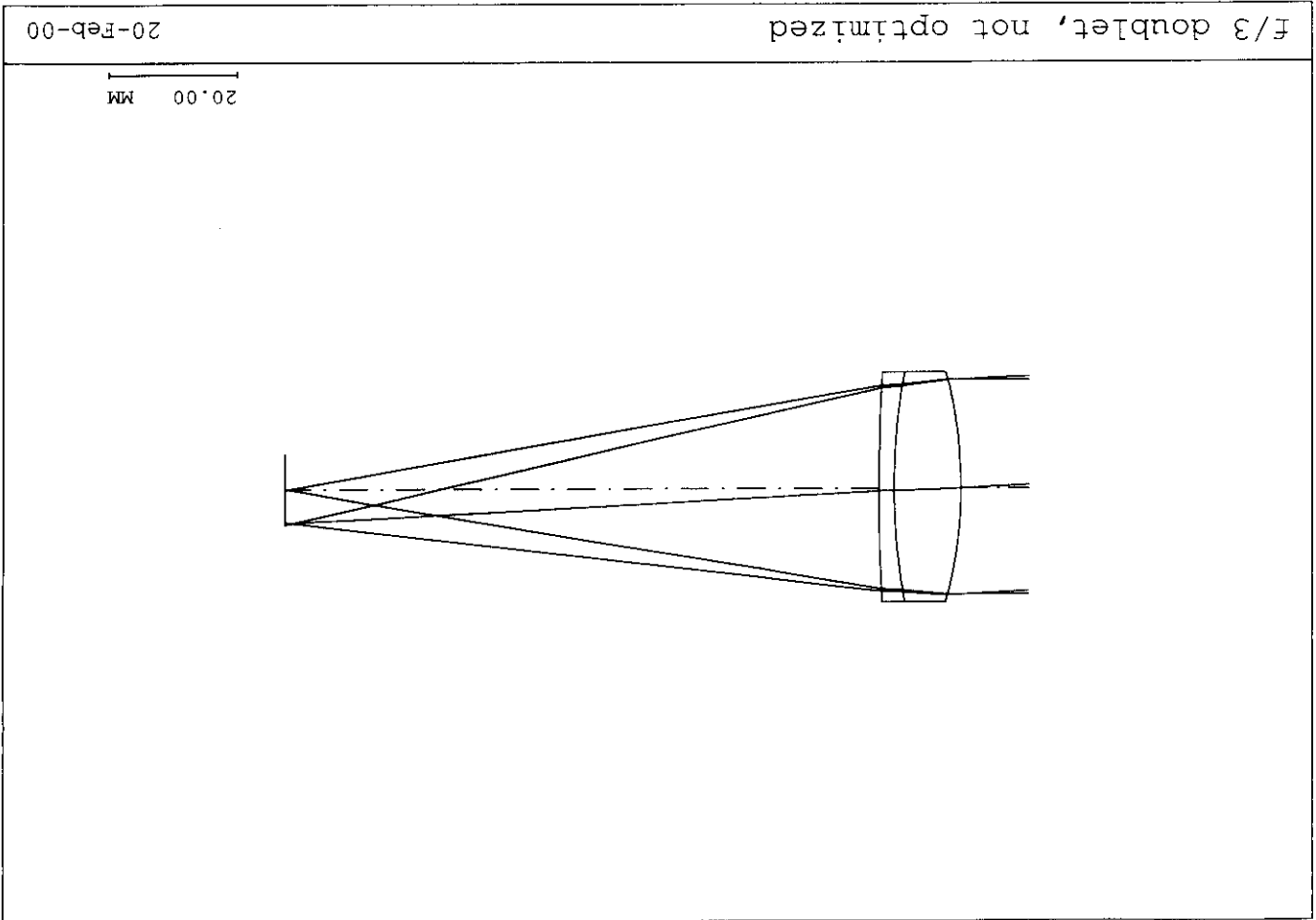
The aberrations are the result of approximations (power series expansion).

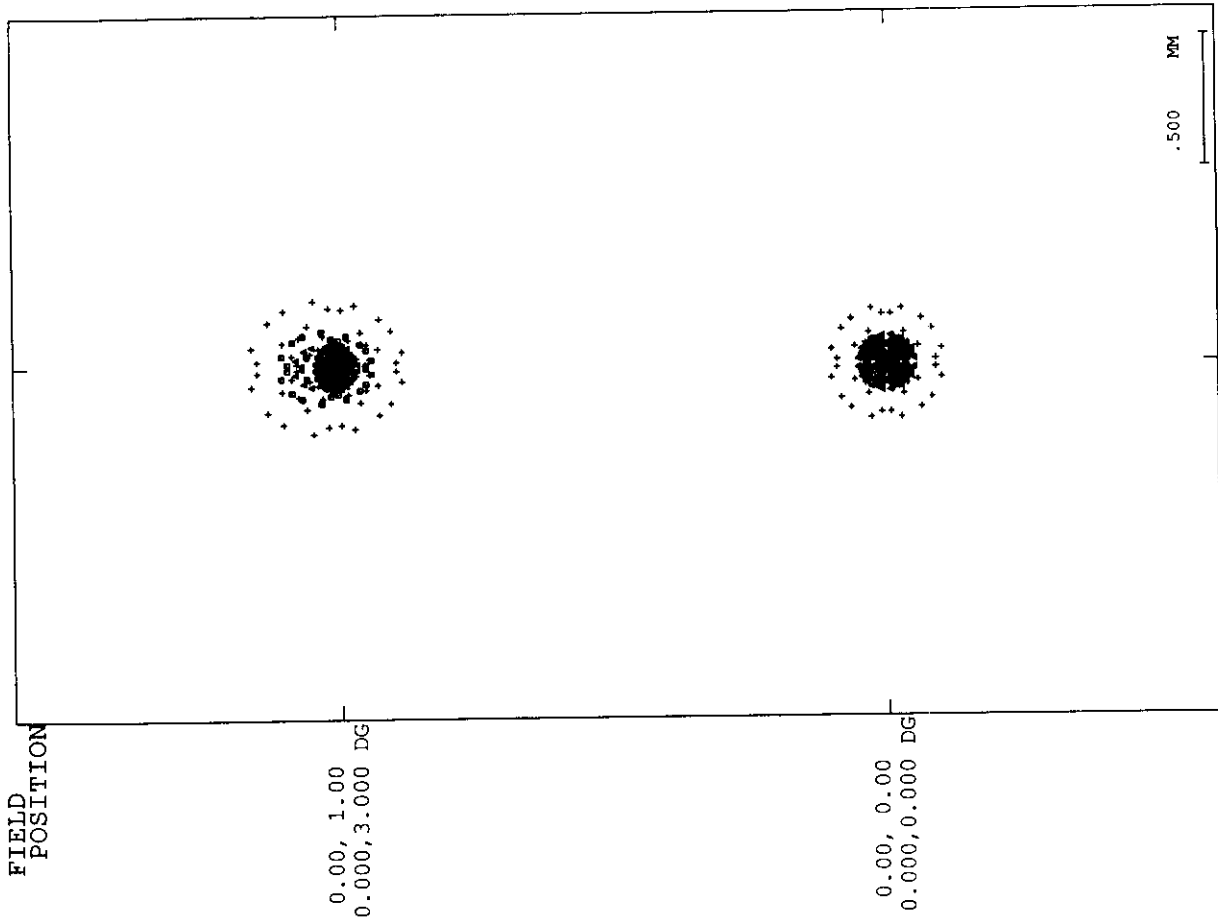
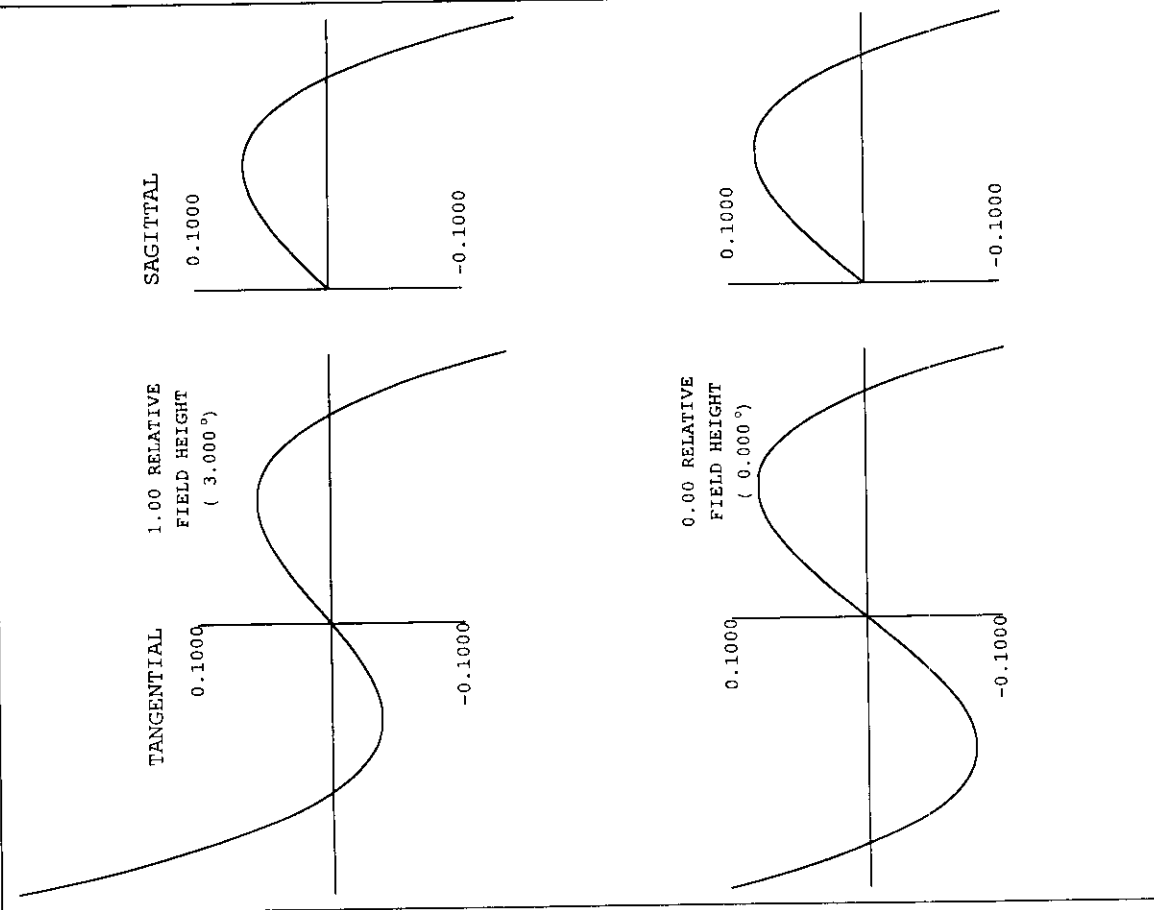
Aberrations can be approached as:

axial quantities      2nd order analysis  
transverse quantities      3rd order analysis  
wave quantities      4th order analysis

## Chromatic aberrations:

Axial color  
Lateral color





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f/3 doublet, not optimized

RAY ABERRATIONS (MILLIMETERS)

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\_\_\_\_\_ 587.6 NM



f/3 doublet, optimized

> OBJ: INFINITY RDI THI RMD GLA  
 STO: 66.53923 10.345634 10.345634 BSM24 OHARA  
 2: -47.03954 2.351280 2.351280 SF1\_SCHOTT  
 3: -243.06858 92.451433 92.451433  
 IMG: INFINITY 0.000000 0.000000

SPECIFICATION DATA

FNO 3.00000  
 DIM MM  
 WL 656.30 587.60 486.10  
 YAN 0.00000 3.00000

REFRACTIVE INDICES

GLASS CODE 656.30 587.60 486.10  
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 SF1\_SCHOTT 1.710311 1.717355 1.734628

INFINITE CONJUGATES

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 BFL 92.7400  
 FFL -98.7121  
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 THI 0.0000  
 EXIT PUPIL  
 DIA 33.5324  
 THI -7.8571

THIRD ORDER ANALYSIS - Wavelength = 587.6 NM

Spherical aberration	Tangential coma	Tangential astigmatism	Sagittal astigmatism	Petzval blur	Distortion
STO -0.182880	-0.115195	-0.037229	-0.021104	-0.013042	-0.004431
2 0.400384	-0.071022	0.005934	0.003134	0.001734	-0.000185
3 -0.308837	0.202142	-0.048008	-0.018607	-0.003906	0.004060
SUM -0.091334	0.015925	-0.079304	-0.036577	-0.015214	-0.000557

f/3 doublet, not optimized

> OBJ: INFINITY RDI THI RMD GLA  
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SPECIFICATION DATA

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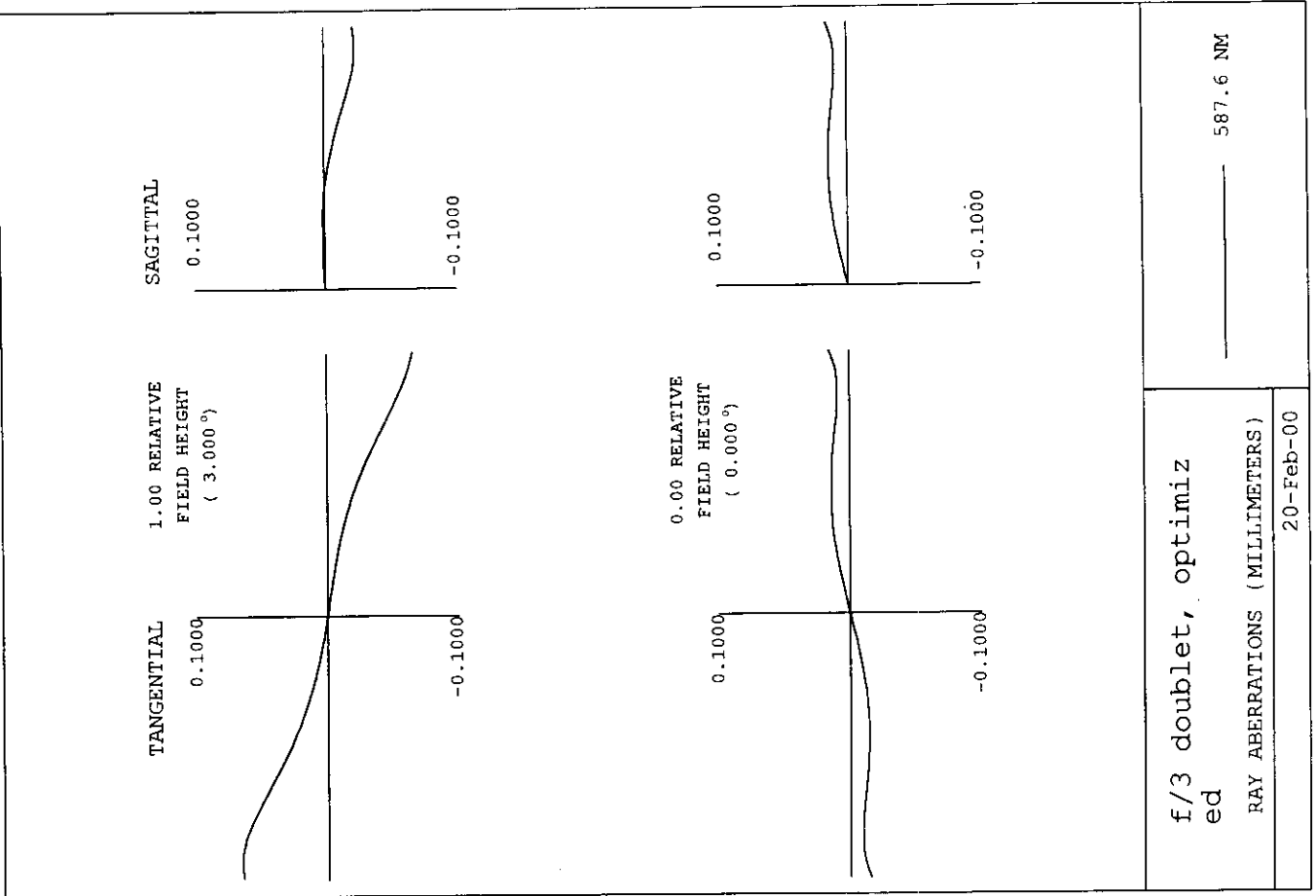
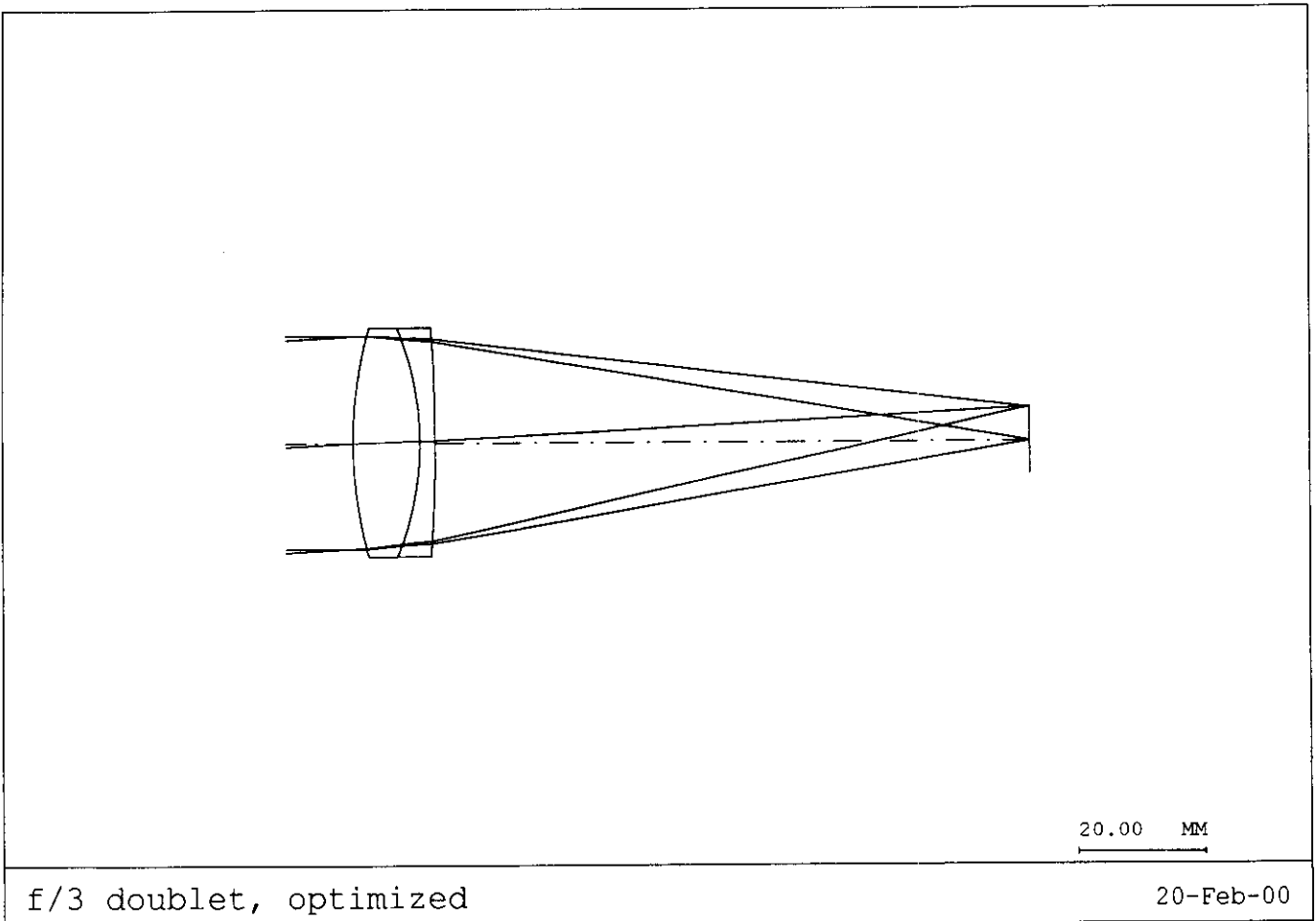
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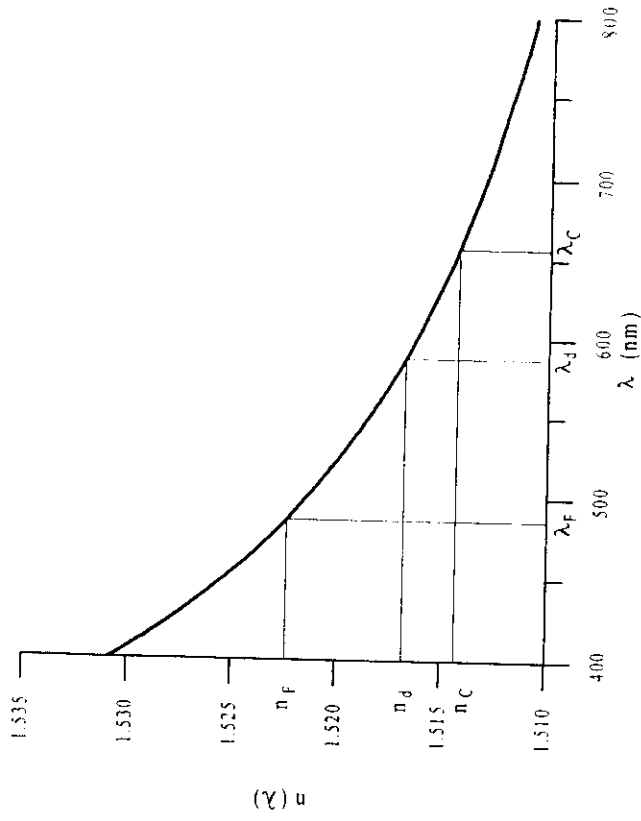
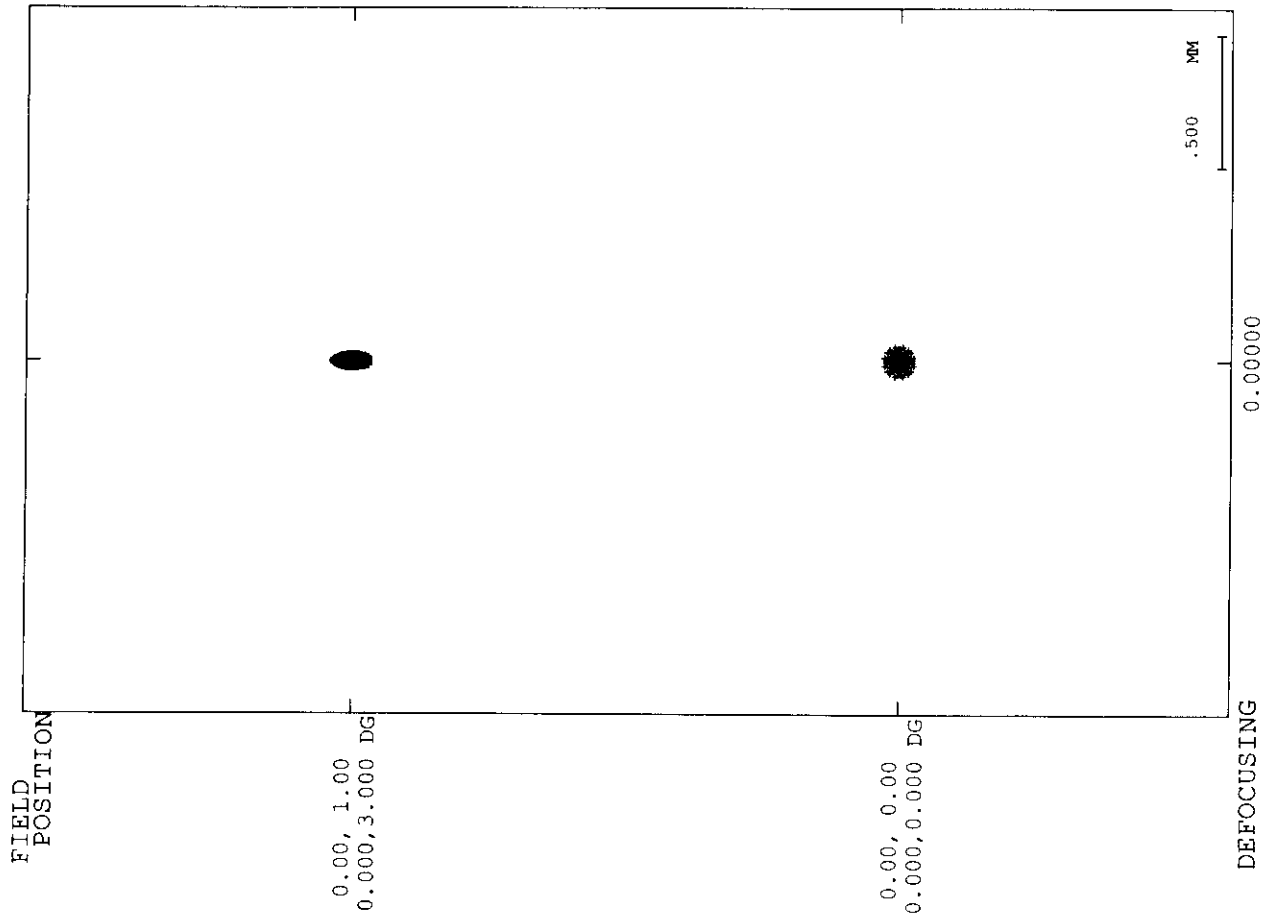
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 EXIT PUPIL  
 DIA 33.9273  
 THI -7.8619

THIRD ORDER ANALYSIS - Wavelength = 587.6 NM

Spherical aberration	Tangential coma	Tangential astigmatism	Sagittal astigmatism	Petzval blur	Distortion
STO -0.159901	-0.105677	-0.035834	-0.020313	-0.012553	-0.004475
2 0.090156	-0.031530	0.004508	0.002057	0.000832	-0.000240
3 -0.268183	0.188051	-0.047017	-0.017714	-0.003063	0.004140
SUM -0.337928	0.050844	-0.078343	-0.035970	-0.014784	-0.000574

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Sellmeier formula:

$$n^2(\lambda) - 1 = \frac{B_1\lambda^2}{\lambda^2 - C_1} + \frac{B_2\lambda^2}{\lambda^2 - C_2} + \frac{B_3\lambda^2}{\lambda^2 - C_3}$$

Spectral lines (wavelength  $\lambda$  in nm):

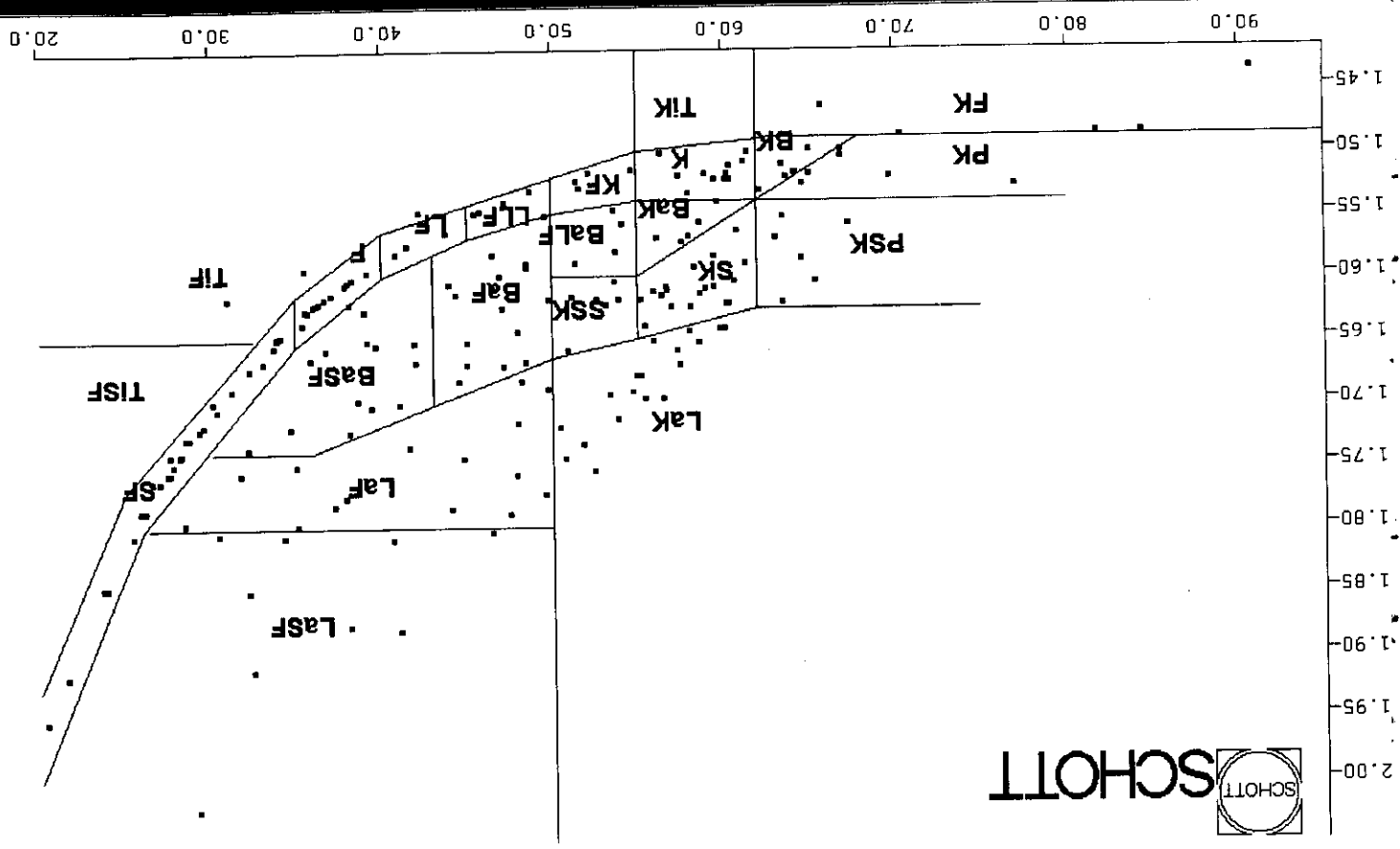
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	404.7	435.8	480.0	486.1	546.1	587.6	643.8	656.3	706.5

Abbe number:

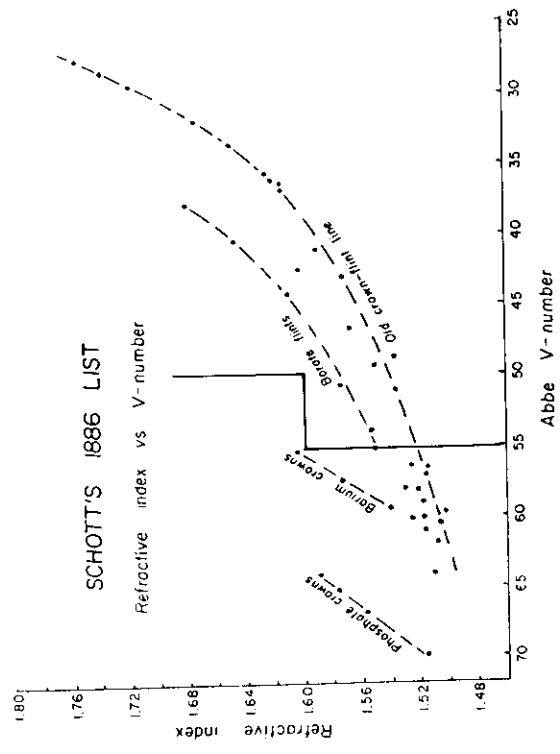
$$V_d = \frac{n_d - 1}{n_F - n_C}$$

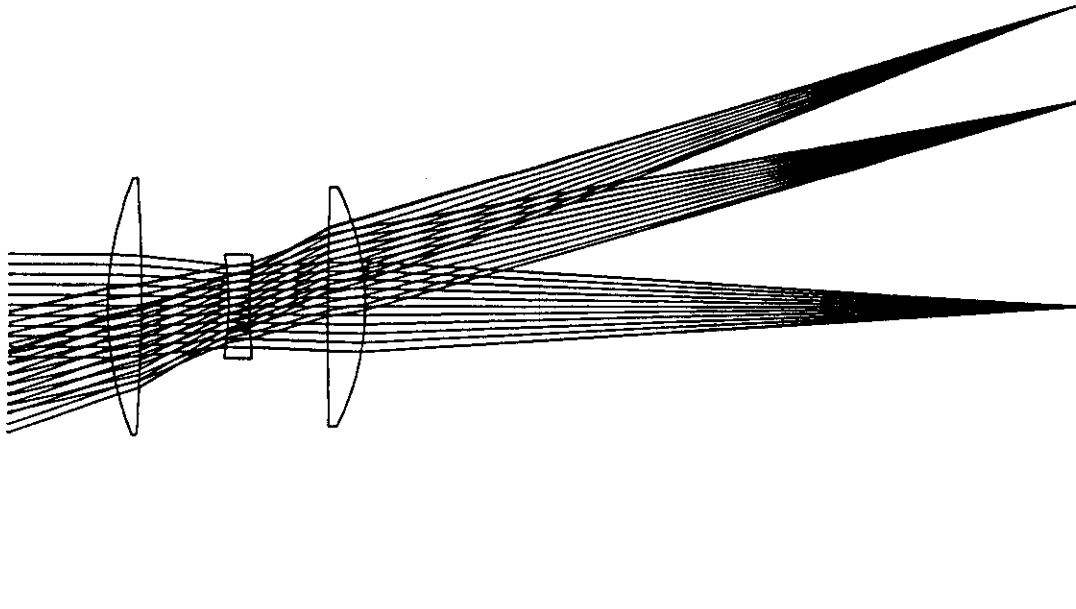


vd : 64.3 | nd : 1.519  
 Zoom : Right Mouse Btn.



SCHOTT '96 for Windows - Catalog Optical Glass - (Graphics nd-vd-Diagram)

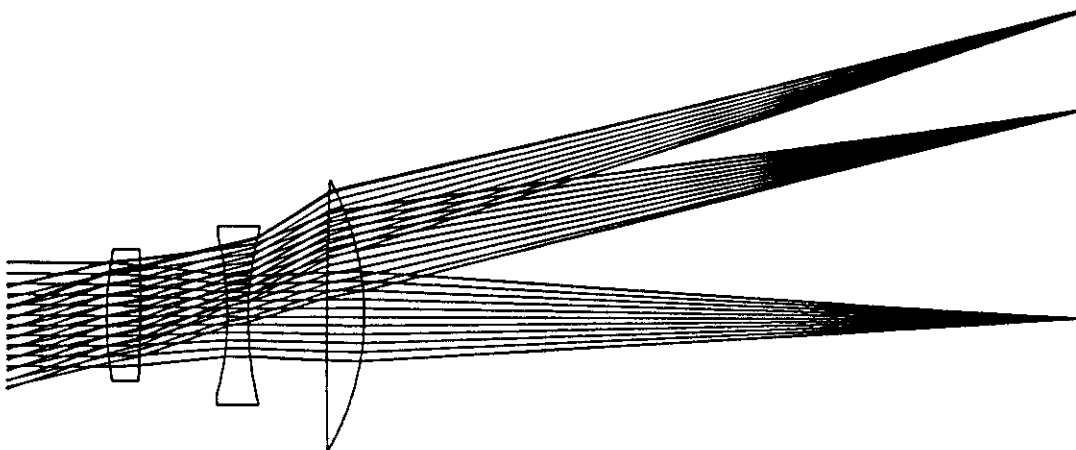




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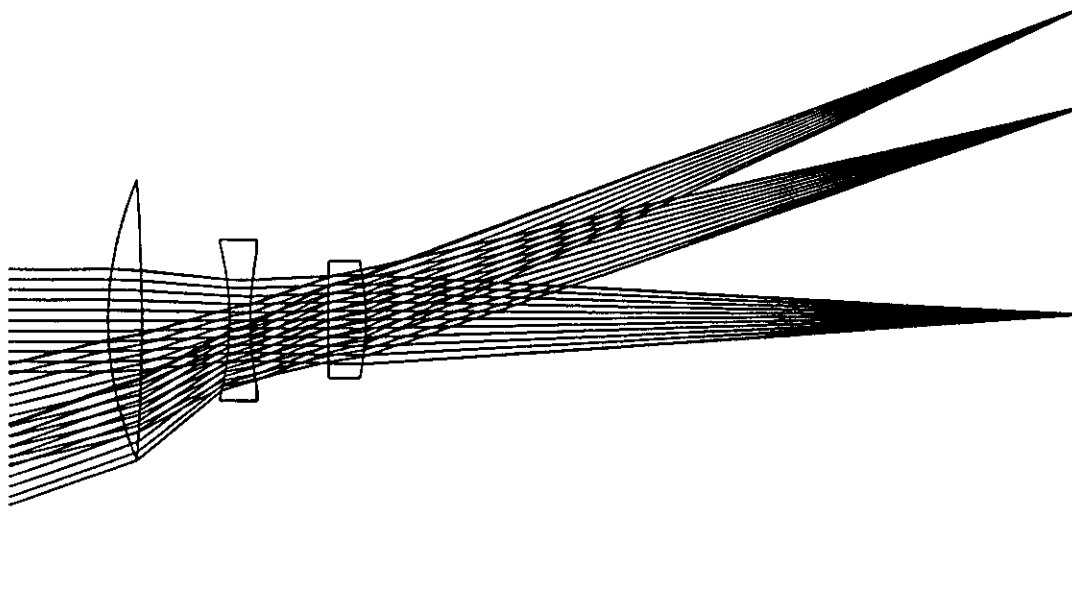
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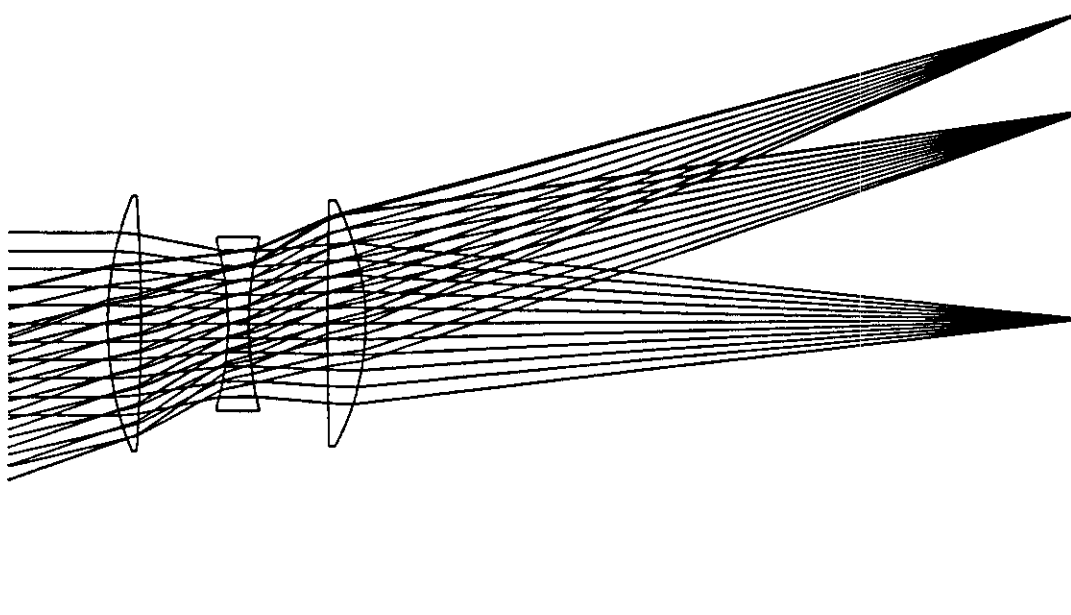
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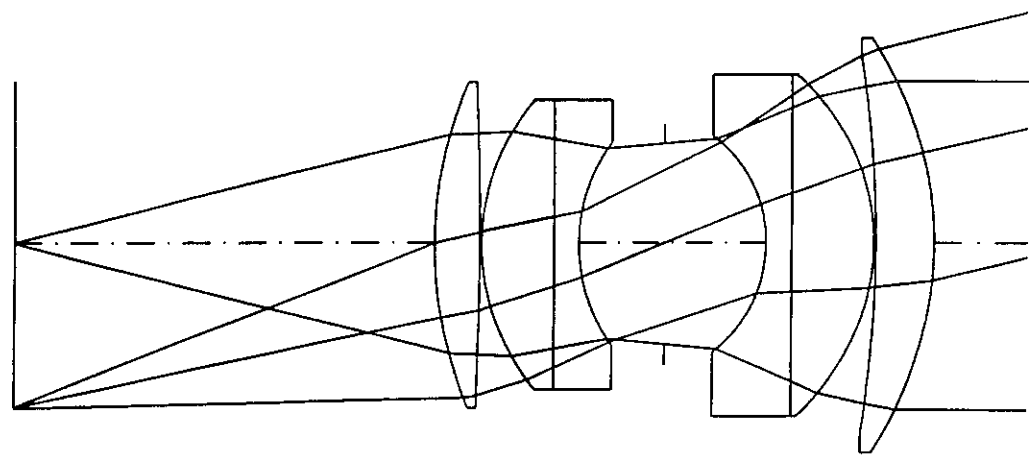


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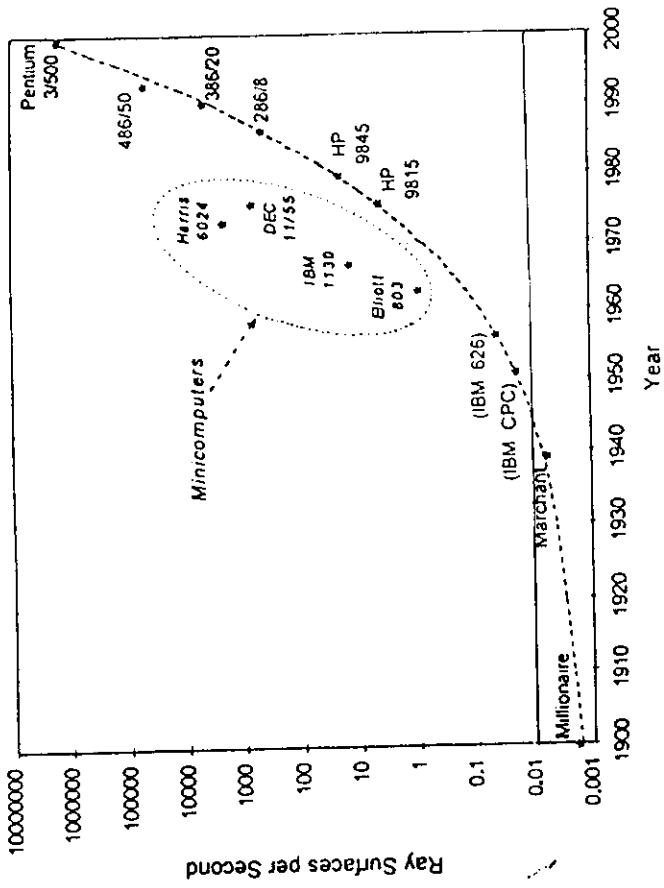
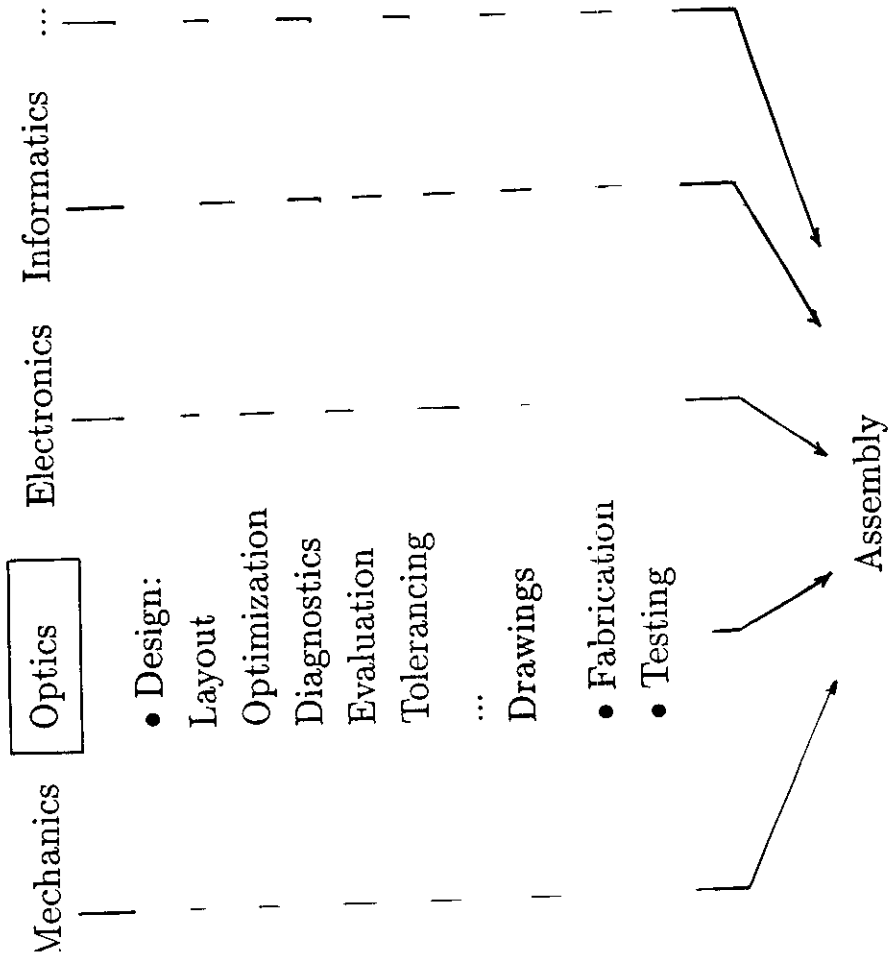


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<b>1°</b>	$h$ $X$ $X/2$	$h$ $1/r$ $\text{sen } X$ $\text{sen } X/2$ $\text{sen } X/2$	$2$ $r$	$x$ $-VH$ $x \cdot VH$	$VH$ $x \cdot VH$	$h$ $h$	$\text{tag } \omega$ $\text{sen } \varphi$ $n$ $1/n'$ $\text{sen } \varphi'$ $1/\text{sen } \omega'$ $r$ $x_{CS}$	<b>0.3010300</b>	<b>0.3010300</b>
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# SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT

Physics problem - phenomenon  
 Model - specifications - constraints



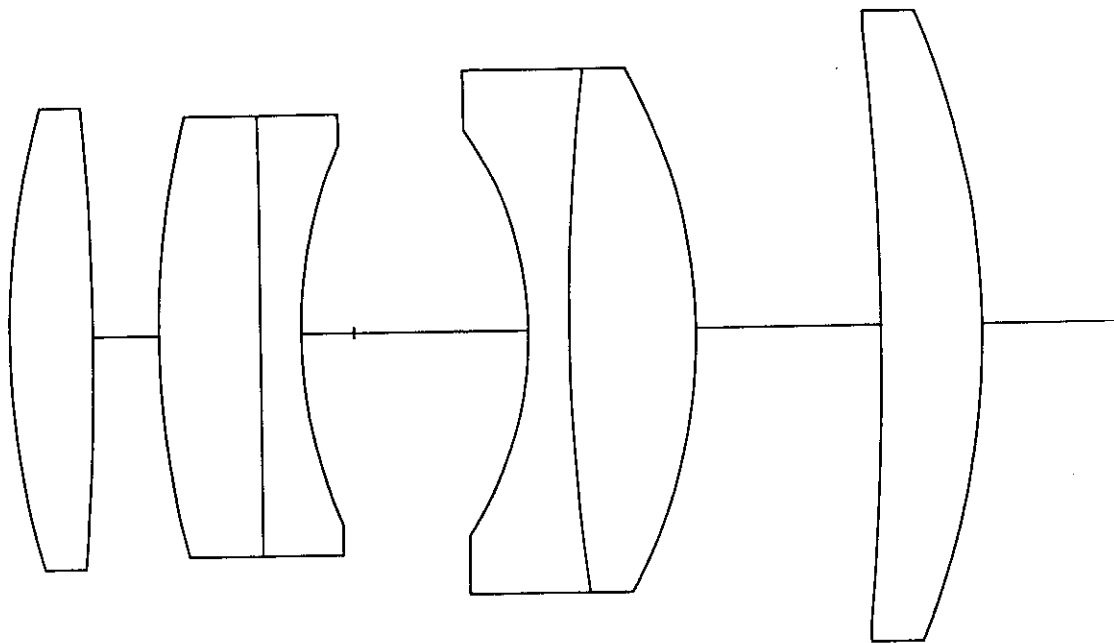
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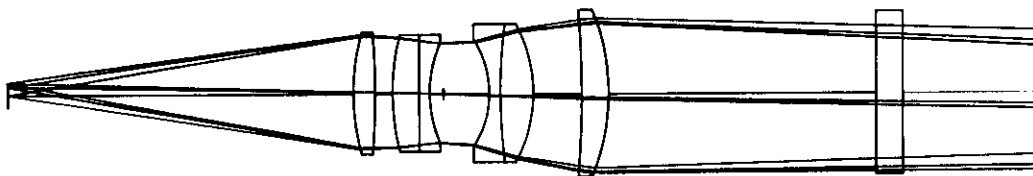
End-to-end testing



26.3 MM



100. MM



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APERTURE DATA/EDGE DEFINITIONS

OBJ:	RDY	THI	GLA	CIR S1	CIR S2	CIR S3	CIR S4	CIR S5	CIR S6	CIR S7	CIR S8	CIR S9	CIR S10	CIR S11	CIR S12	CIR S13
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2:	1.0000E+10	200.000000	SSKN5_SCHOTT													
3:	161.85000	20.000000	SK16_SCHOTT													
4:	644.00000	36.400000	SF2_SCHOTT													
5:	107.83000	25.000000	F6_SCHOTT													
6:	-387.00000	8.000000	SSKN8_SCHOTT													
7:	72.00000	34.460000	SK15_SCHOTT													
STO:	1.0000E+10	10.330000														
9:	-93.92000	8.000000														
10:	1.0000E+10	20.000000														
11:	-171.00000	12.930000														
12:	542.00000	16.410000														
13:	-163.65000	257.734210														
IMG:	1.0000E+10	0.000000														

REFRACTIVE INDICES

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FFO	-0.30000	SSKN5_SCHOTT		1.644767	1.647920	1.654863
IFO	0.30000	SK16_SCHOTT		1.611717	1.611717	1.617522
DIM	MM	SF2_SCHOTT		1.608929	1.632969	1.642532
WL	1000.00	F6_SCHOTT		1.622429	1.622429	1.631494
REF	2	SSKN8_SCHOTT		1.618583	1.607635	1.614292
WTW	1	SK15_SCHOTT		1.611248	1.614037	1.619989
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XOB	0.00000					
YOB	0.00000					
VUY	0.00000					
VLY	0.00000					

SPECIFICATION DATA

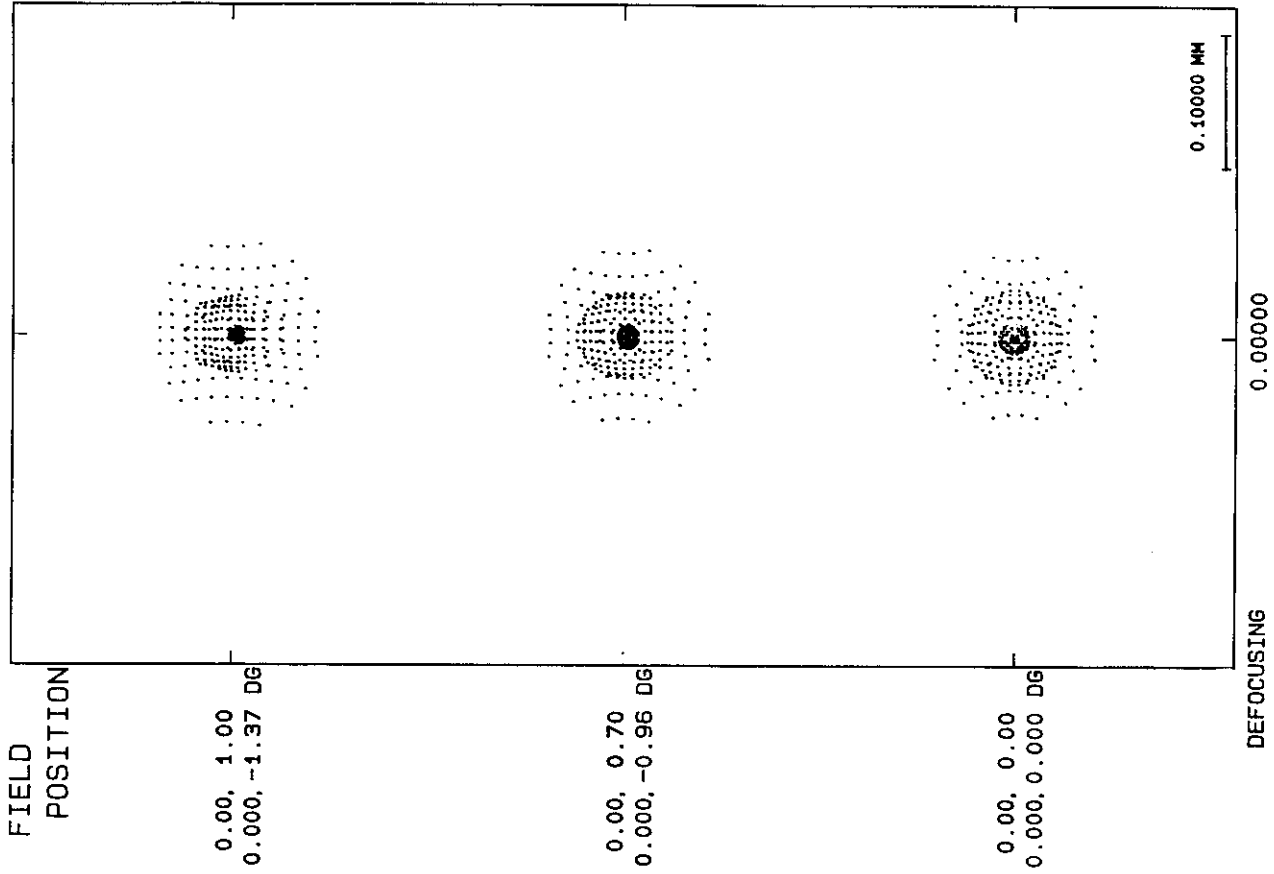
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YOB	0.00000
VUY	0.00000
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INFINITE CONJUGATES

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 FNO 2.5957

AT USED CONJUGATES

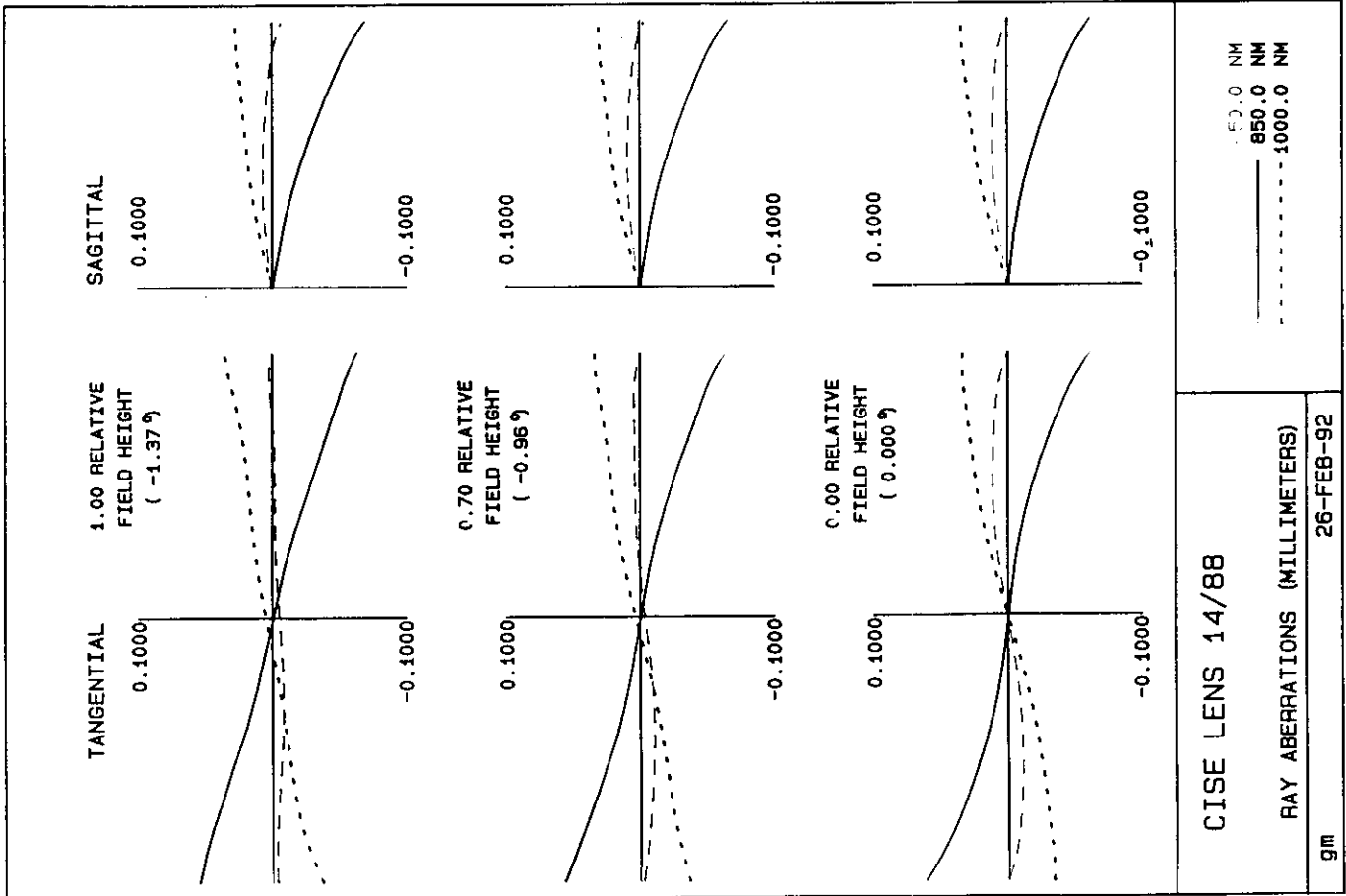
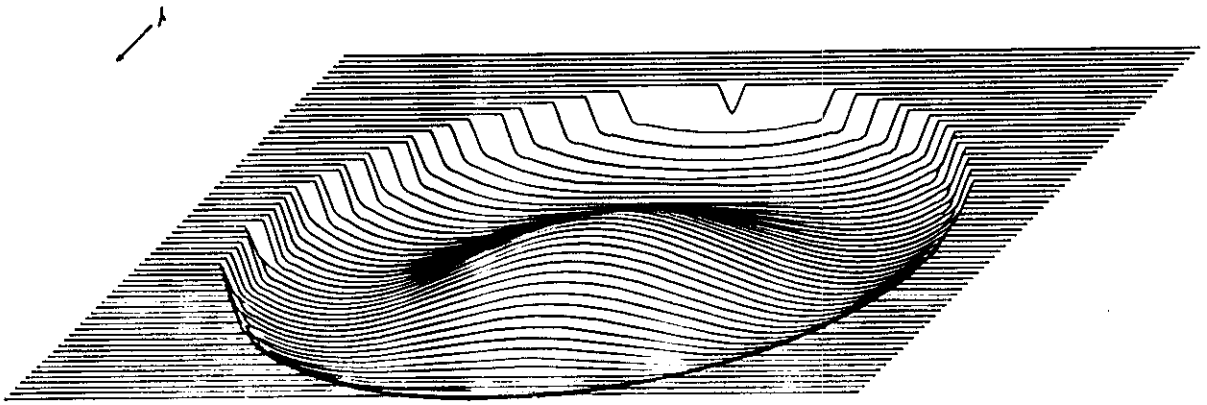
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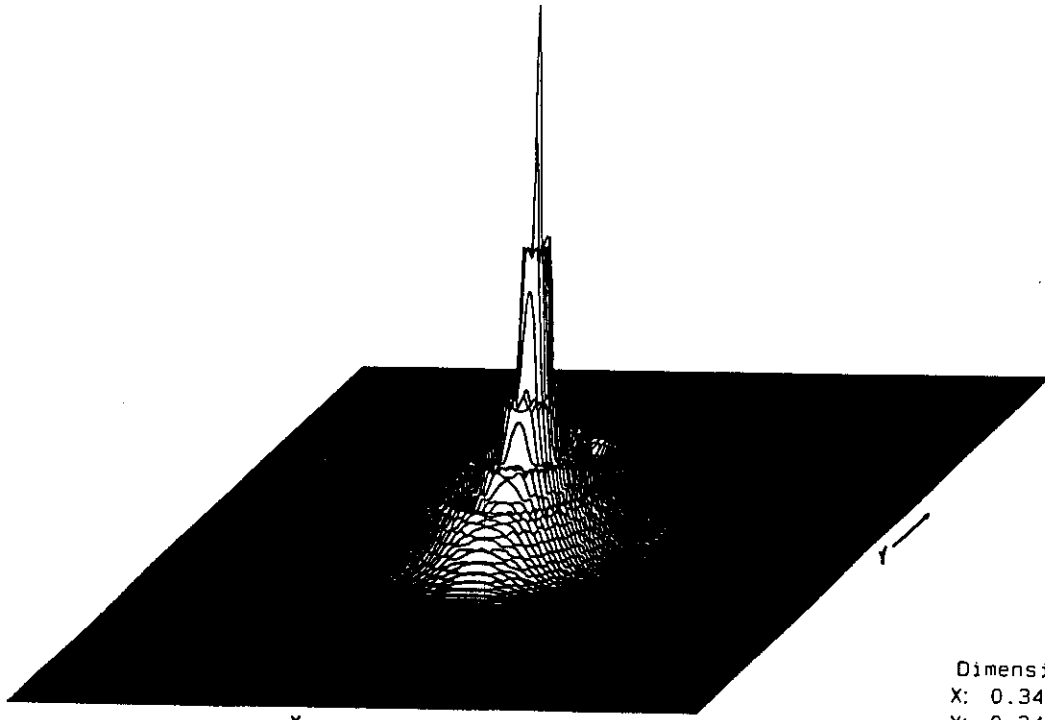


WAVE ABERRATION  
 FIELD ANGLE - Y: 0.00 DEGREES X: 0.00 DEGREES  
 DEFOCUSING 0.00000 MM  
 WAVELENGTH - 850.0 NM  
 HORIZONTAL WIDTH REPRESENTS GRID SIZE 64 X 64

VERTICAL SCALE  
 1.00 WAVES

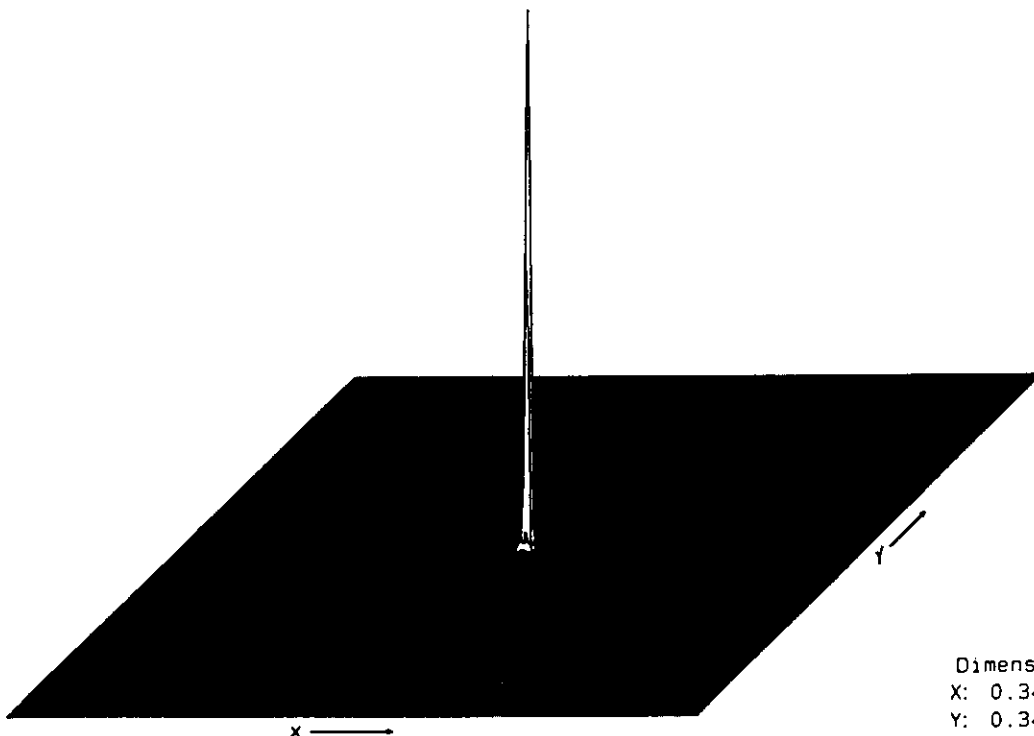
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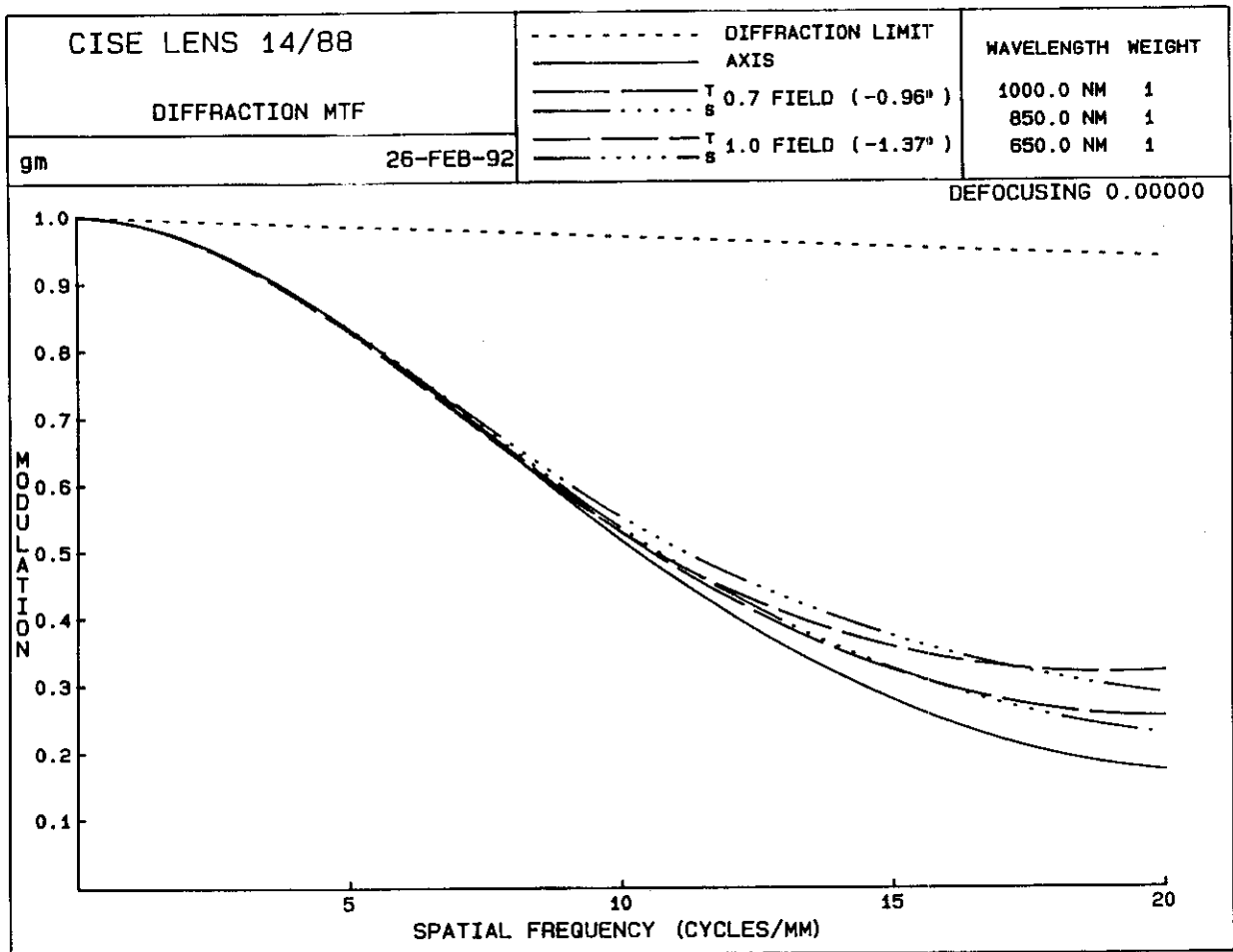
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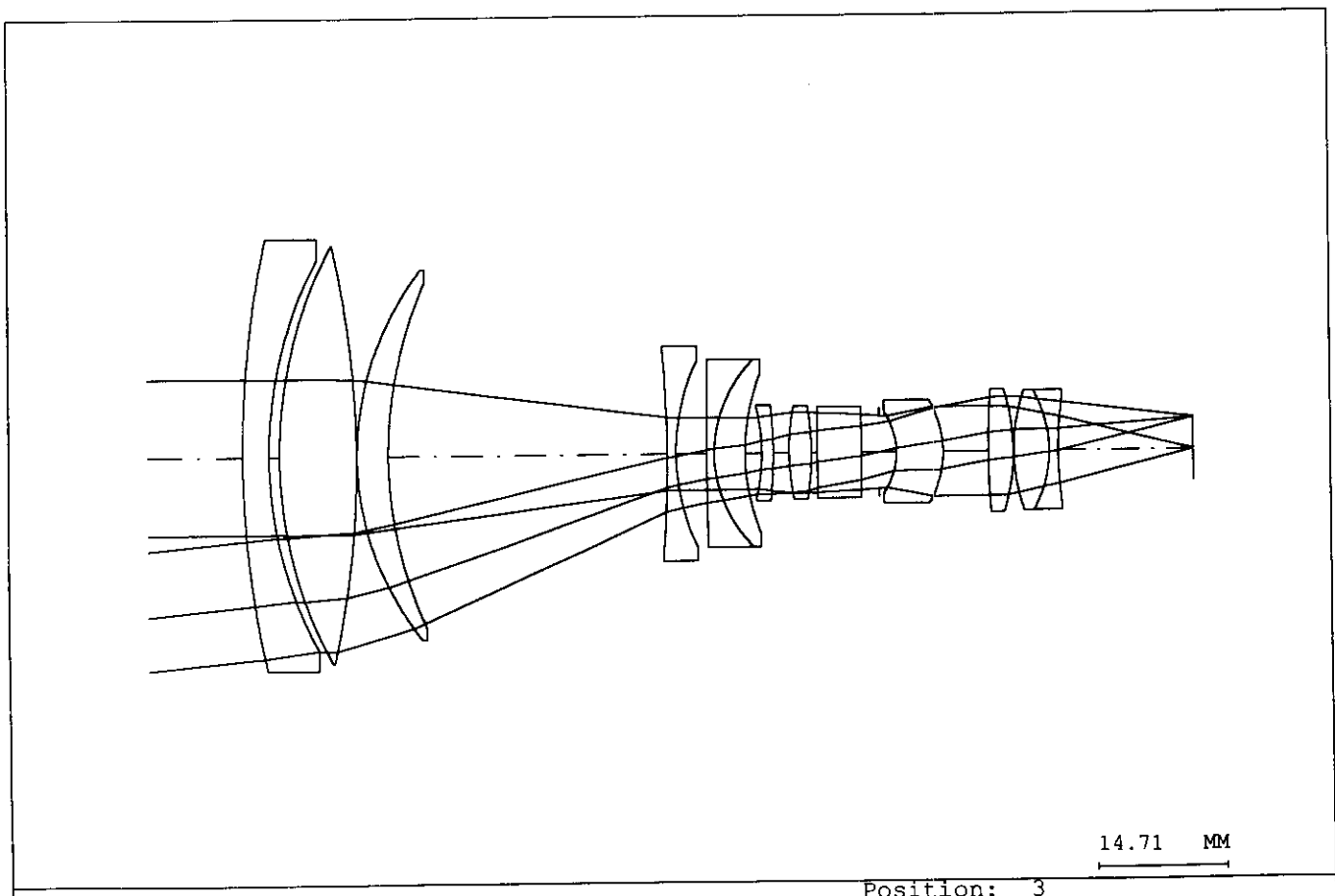


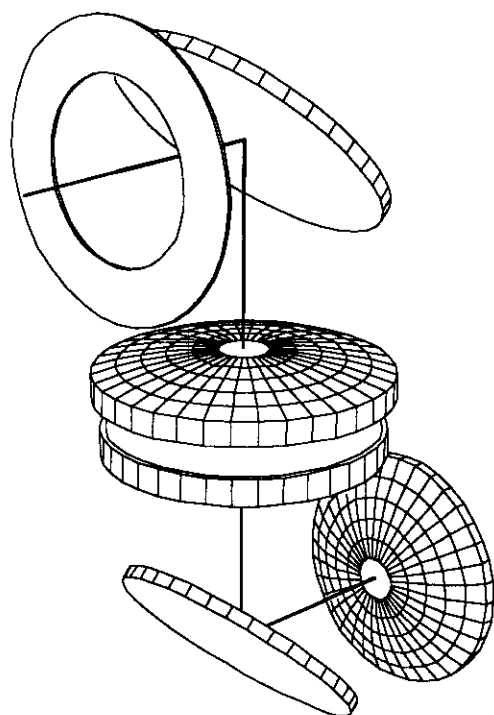
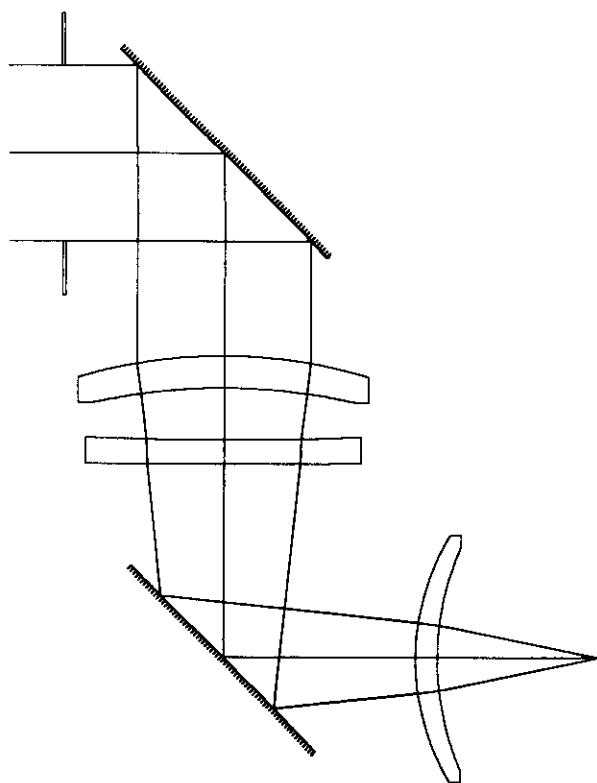
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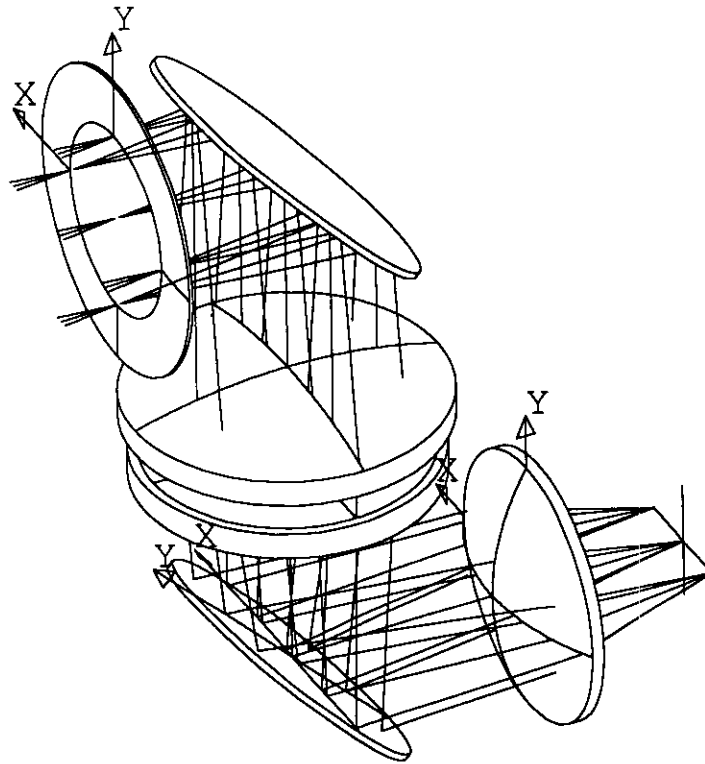
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1.79 CM

Common mode FLIR scanner

Scale: 1.40

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