

# Chromatic Aberrations

Lens Design OPTI 517

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# Second-order chromatic aberrations

$$\partial_{\lambda} W(\vec{H}, \rho) = \partial_{\lambda} W_{000} + \partial_{\lambda} W_{200} H^2 + \partial_{\lambda} W_{111} H \rho \cos(\varphi) + \partial_{\lambda} W_{020} \rho^2$$

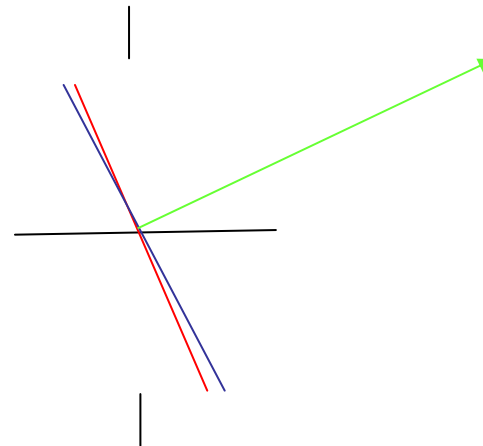
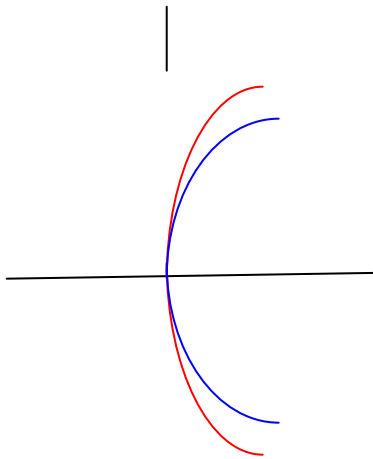
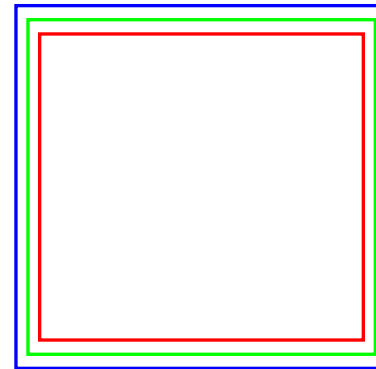
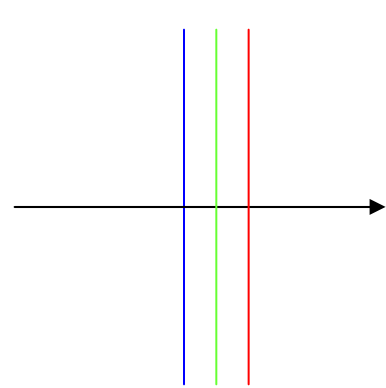


- Change of image location with  $\lambda$  (axial or longitudinal chromatic aberration)
- Change of magnification with  $\lambda$  (transverse or lateral chromatic aberration)

# Chromatic Aberrations

- Variation of lens aberrations as a function of wavelength
- Chromatic change of focus:  $W_{020}$
- Chromatic change of magnification  $W_{111}$
- Fourth-order:  $W_{040}$  and other
- Spherochromatism

# Chromatic Aberrations



$$\partial_{\lambda} W_{020} \rho^2$$

$$\partial_{\lambda} W_{111} H \rho \cos(\varphi)$$

# Topics

- Chromatic coefficients
- Optical glass and selection
- Index interpolation
- Achromats: crown and flint: different solutions
- Achromats: dialyte; single glass
- Mangin lens
- Third-order behavior
- Spherochromatism
- Secondary spectrum
- Tertiary spectrum
- Apochromats
- Super-apochromats
- Buried surface
- Monochromatic design: one task at a time
- Lateral color correction as an odd aberration
- Color correction in the presence of axial color
- Field lens to control lateral color: field lenses in general
- Conrady's D-d sum

# Chromatic aberration coefficients

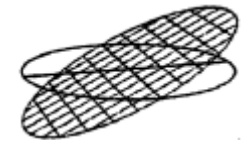
For a system of  $j$  surfaces

$$\partial_{\lambda} W_{111} = \sum_{i=1}^j \bar{A}_i \Delta_i (\partial n / n) y_i$$

$$\partial_{\lambda} W_{020} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^j A_i \Delta_i (\partial n / n) y_i^2$$

For a system of thin lenses

$$\partial_{\lambda} W_{111} = \sum_{i=1}^j \left[ \frac{\phi}{\nu} \bar{y} y \right]_i$$



$$\partial_{\lambda} W_{020} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^j \left[ \frac{\phi}{\nu} y^2 \right]_i$$

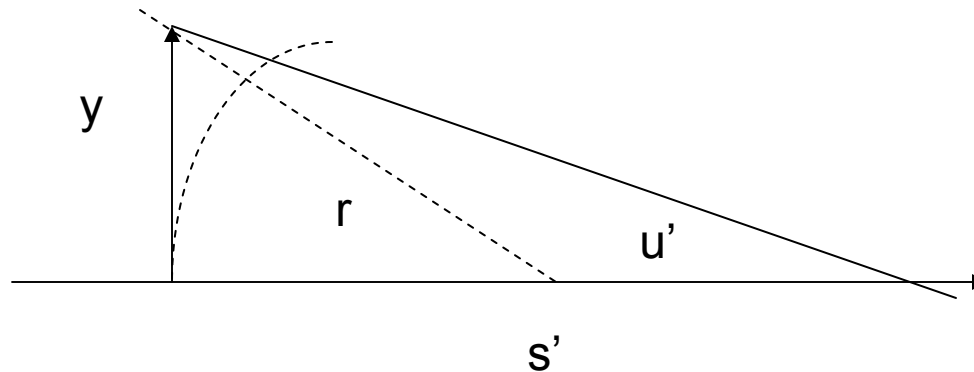


# With stop shift

$$\Delta \partial_{\lambda} W_{020} = 0$$

$$\Delta \partial_{\lambda} W_{111} = 2 \frac{\Delta \bar{y}}{y} \partial_{\lambda} W_{020}$$

# Review of paraxial quantities



Quantities derived from first-order ray data used in computing the aberration coefficients

Refraction invariant marginal ray	Refraction invariant chief ray	Lagrange invariant	Surface curvature	Petzval sum term
$A = ni = nu + nyc$	$\bar{A} = n\bar{i} = n\bar{u} + n\bar{y}c$	$\mathcal{K} = n\bar{u}y - nu\bar{y}$ $= \bar{A}y - A\bar{y}$	$c = \frac{1}{r}$	$P = c \cdot \Delta \left( \frac{1}{n} \right)$

$$\frac{\partial n}{n} = \frac{n-1}{\nu n}$$

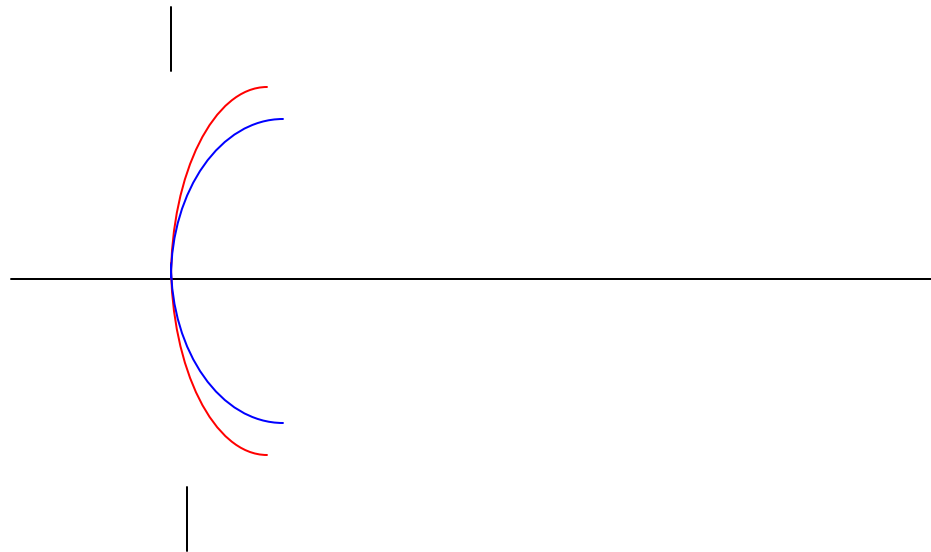


# Chromatic coefficients

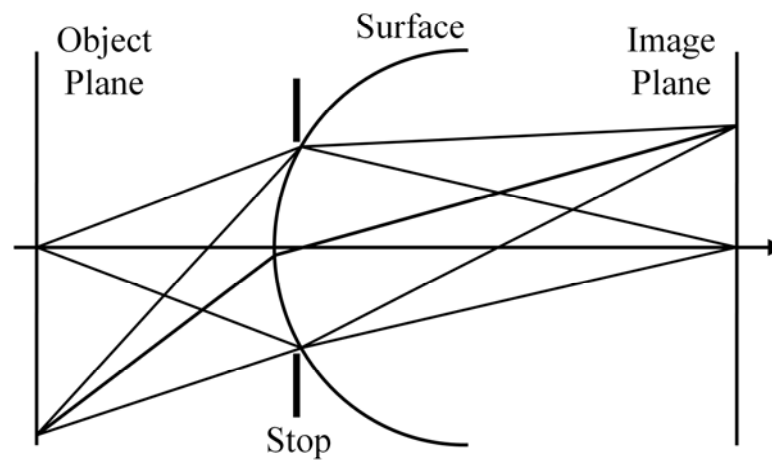
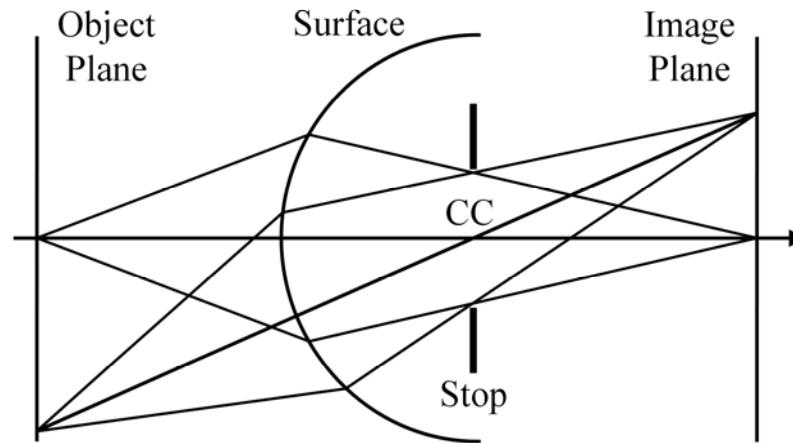
$$W_{020}(\vec{\rho} \cdot \vec{\rho}) = -\frac{y^2}{2} \left\{ n' \left( \frac{1}{s'} - \frac{1}{r} \right) - n \left( \frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{r} \right) \right\} (\vec{\rho} \cdot \vec{\rho})$$

$$\partial_{\lambda} W_{020} = -\frac{y^2}{2} \left\{ (n' + \partial n') \cdot \left( \frac{1}{s'} - \frac{1}{r} \right) - (n + \partial n) \cdot \left( \frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{r} \right) \right\}$$

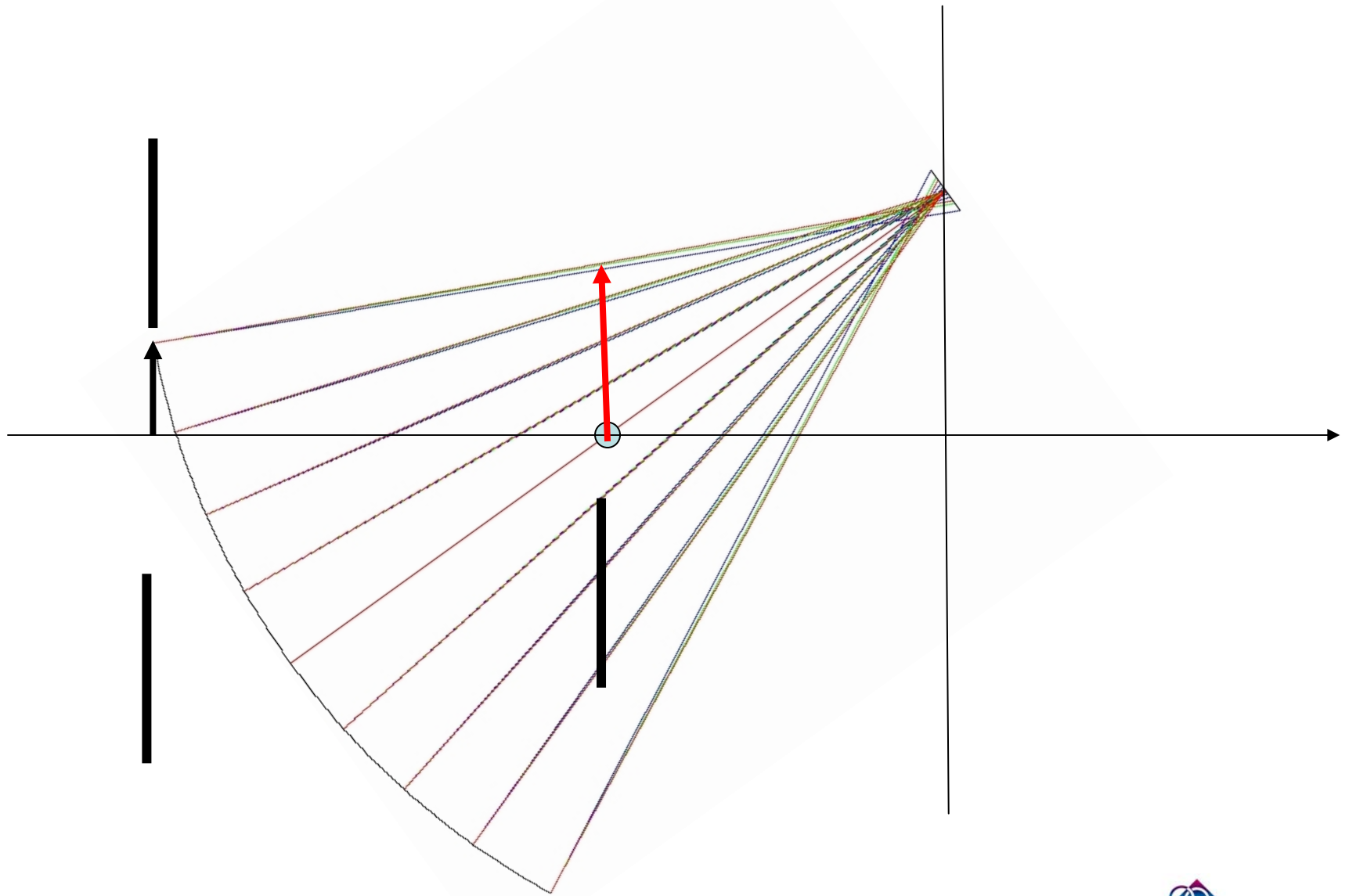
$$\partial_{\lambda} W_{020} = -\frac{y^2}{2} \left\{ \partial n' \cdot \left( \frac{1}{s'} - \frac{1}{r} \right) - \partial n \cdot \left( \frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{r} \right) \right\} = \frac{y}{2} \cdot A \cdot \Delta \left\{ \frac{\partial n}{n} \right\}$$



# Stop shifting

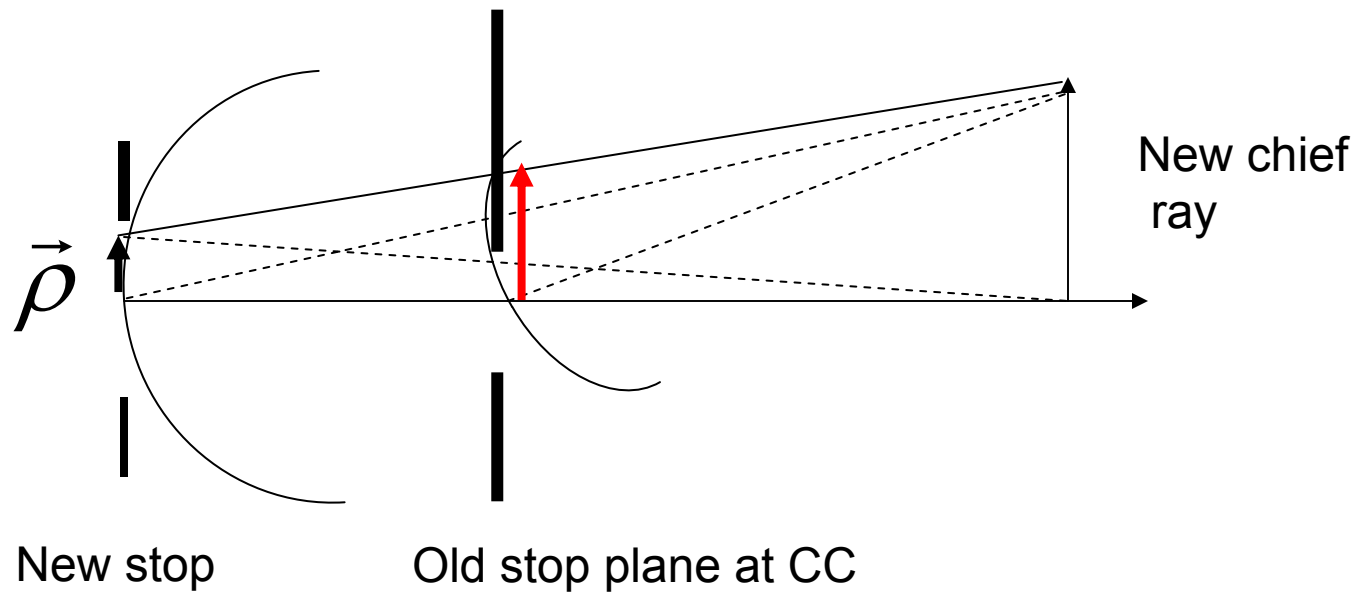


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# Stop shifting



New chief ray height  
at old pupil

$$\bar{y}_E$$

$$y_E \vec{\rho}_{shift} = y_E \vec{\rho} + \bar{y}_E \vec{H} \quad \uparrow$$

Marginal ray height  
at old pupil

$$y_E$$

$$\vec{\rho}_{shift} = \vec{\rho} + \frac{\bar{y}_E}{y_E} \vec{H} = \vec{\rho} + \frac{\bar{A}}{A} \vec{H}$$

# Chromatic coefficients

$$\partial_{\lambda} W_{020}(\vec{\rho} \cdot \vec{\rho}) = \frac{y}{2} \cdot A \cdot \Delta \left\{ \frac{\partial n}{n} \right\} (\vec{\rho} \cdot \vec{\rho})$$

$$\vec{\rho}_{shift} = \vec{\rho} + \frac{\bar{y}_E}{y_E} \vec{H} = \vec{\rho} + \frac{\bar{A}}{A} \vec{H}$$

$$\vec{\rho}_{shift} \cdot \vec{\rho}_{shift} = \vec{\rho} \cdot \vec{\rho} + 2 \frac{\bar{A}}{A} \vec{H} \cdot \vec{\rho} + \left( \frac{\bar{A}}{A} \right)^2 \vec{H} \cdot \vec{H}$$

$$\partial_{\lambda} W_{111} = \bar{A} \cdot \Delta \left\{ \frac{\partial n}{n} \right\} \cdot y$$

# The ratio $\frac{\delta \bar{y}}{y}$

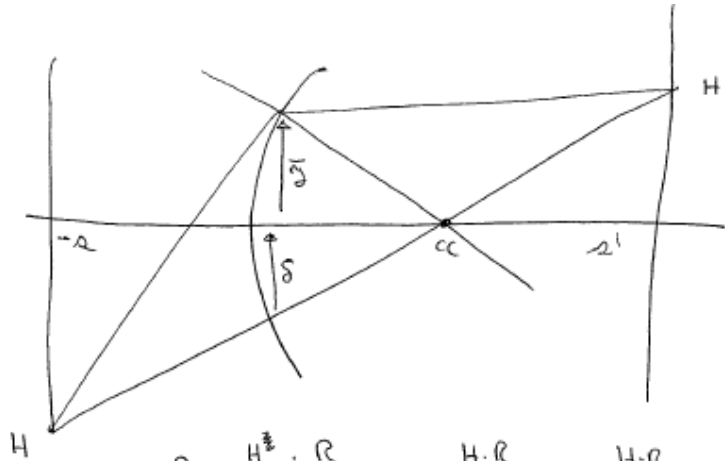
Can be calculated at any plane in the optical system

$$\bar{S} = \frac{\bar{u}_{new} - \bar{u}_{old}}{u} = \frac{\bar{y}_{new} - \bar{y}_{old}}{y} = \frac{\bar{A}_{new} - \bar{A}_{old}}{A}$$

$\bar{S}$  is the stop shifting parameter

Can show equality using the Lagrange invariant

The ratio  $\frac{\bar{y}_E}{y_E} = \frac{\delta + \bar{y}}{y} = \frac{\bar{A}}{A}$



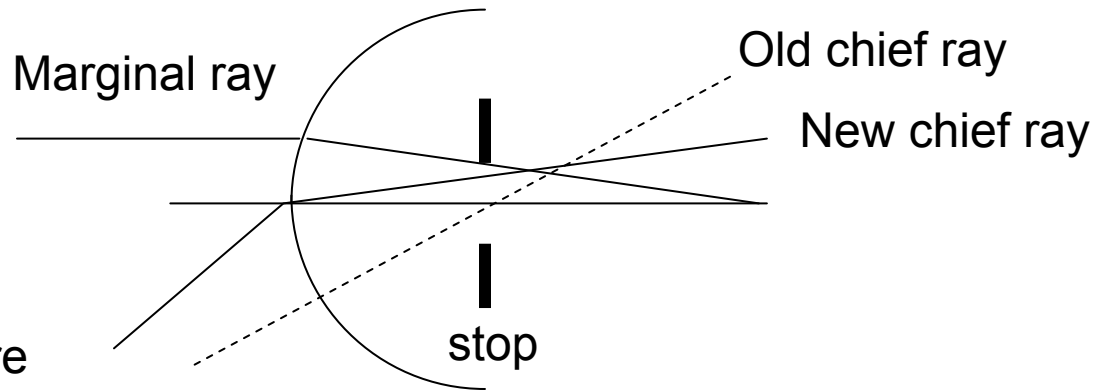
$$\delta = \frac{H^2 \cdot R}{R - r} = \frac{H \cdot R}{r - r} = \frac{H \cdot r}{R \cdot r} \frac{1}{\frac{r - R}{rR}} = \frac{H}{R} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{R}} \frac{r}{r}$$

$$A = n_i = n \left\{ \frac{-y}{r} + \frac{y}{R} \right\} = n (\nu + \alpha)$$

$$\delta = -\frac{H \nu n}{A} = \frac{M}{A} = \frac{B y - A \bar{y}}{A}$$

$$\boxed{\delta + \bar{y} = \frac{B}{A} y}$$

# The ratio $\bar{A} / A$



Parameters are  
at the surface

$$\mathcal{K} = \bar{A}_1 y - A \bar{y}_1$$

$$\mathcal{K} = \bar{A}_2 y - A \bar{y}_2$$

$$-A(\bar{y}_2 - \bar{y}_1) = y(\bar{A}_2 - \bar{A}_1)$$

$$-\frac{\bar{y}_2 - \bar{y}_1}{y} = \frac{\bar{A}_2 - \bar{A}_1}{A}$$

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When the stop is shifted at the cc

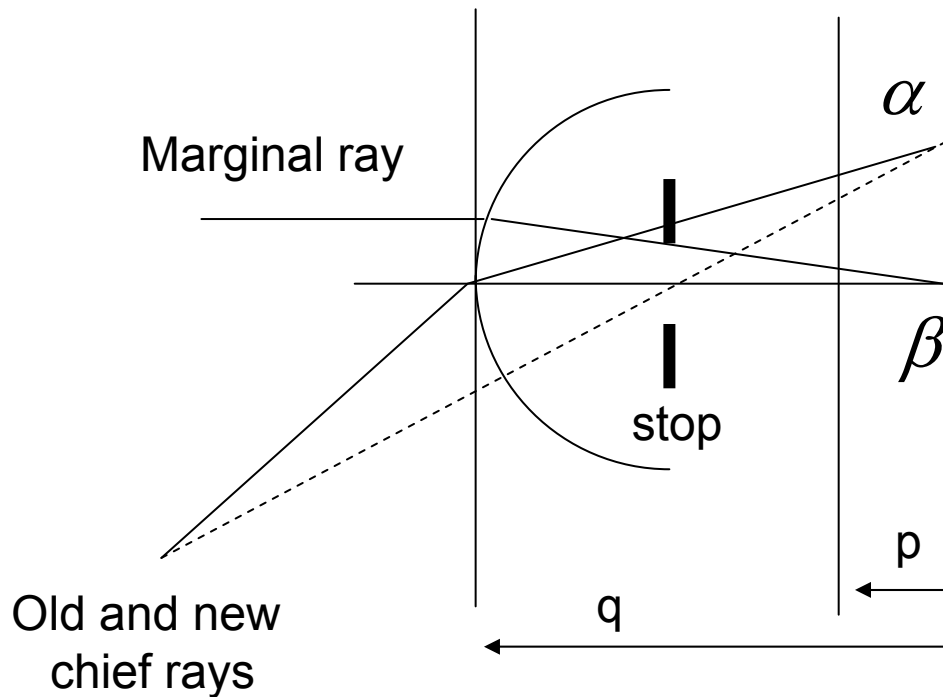
$$\bar{A}_1 = 0$$

$$\frac{\bar{y}_2 - \bar{y}_1}{y} = \frac{\bar{y}_{cc}}{y_{cc}} = \frac{\bar{A}}{A}$$



# The ratio

$$\frac{\bar{y}_2 - \bar{y}_1}{y} = \frac{\bar{y}_{cc}}{y_{cc}}$$



$$\frac{\bar{y}_{2q} - \bar{y}_{1q}}{q} = \alpha = \frac{\bar{y}_{2p} - \bar{y}_{1p}}{p}$$

$$\frac{y_q}{q} = \beta = \frac{y_p}{p}$$

Does not depend on plane where it is calculated given similar triangles

# For a system of thin lenses

$$\partial_{\lambda} W_{020} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^j \left[ \frac{\phi}{\nu} y^2 \right]_i$$

$$\partial_{\lambda} W_{111} = \sum_{i=1}^j \left[ \frac{\phi}{\nu} \bar{y}y \right]_i$$

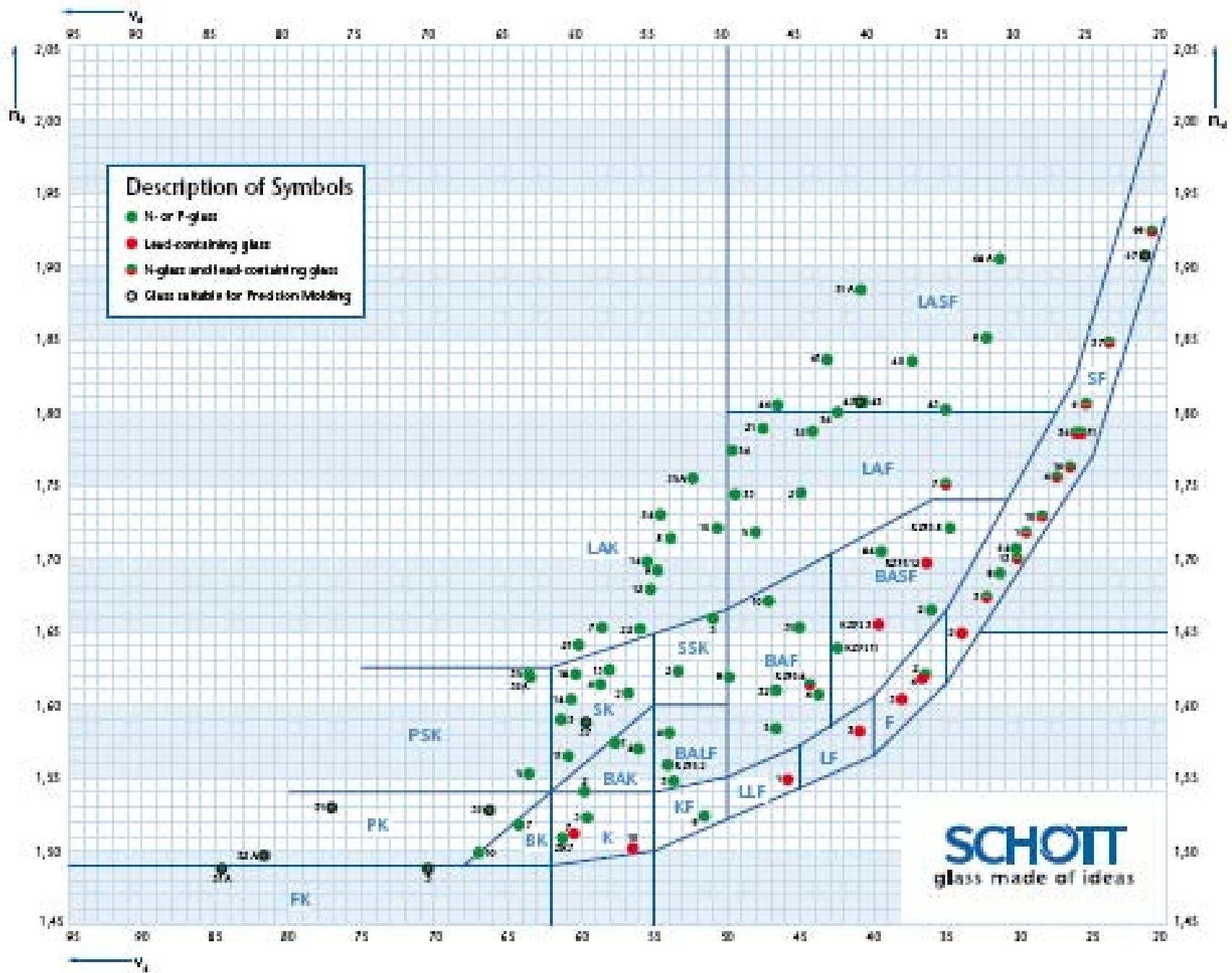
$\nu$  is the glass V-number  
 $\Phi$  is the optical power  
 $y$  is the marginal ray height  
 $\bar{y}$  is the chief ray height

# Glass

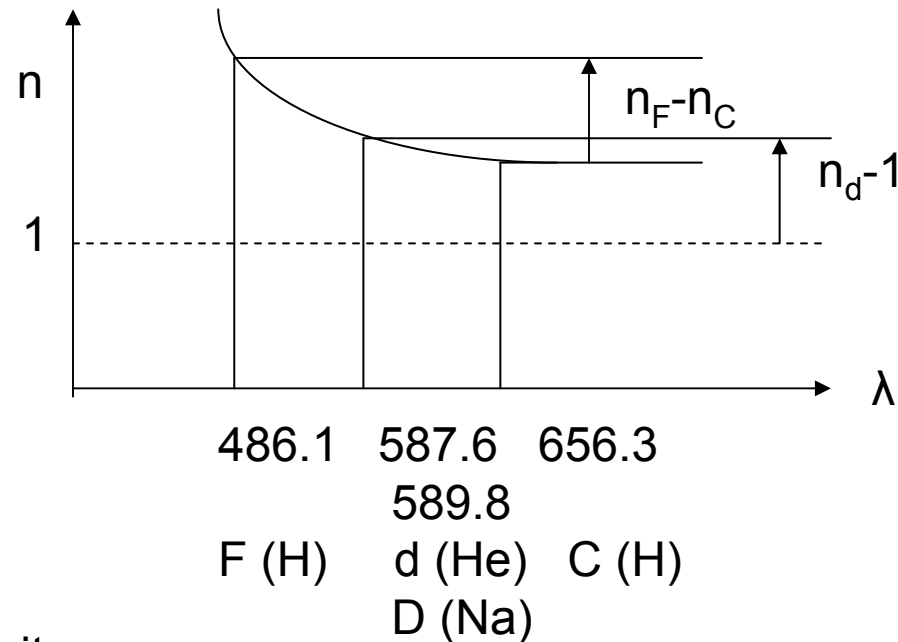
- Schott, Hoya, Ohara glass catalogues (A wealth of information; must peruse glass catalogue)
- Crowns and flints are divided at  $V=50$
- Normal glasses:
  - Soda-lime, silica, lead (older glasses)
  - Crowns, light flints, flints, dense flints
  - Barium glasses (~1938)
  - Lanthanum or rare-earth glasses
  - Titanium
  - Fluorites and phosphate
- Environmental and health issues in the production of glass. Lead replaced with Titanium and Zirconium.

# Other materials

- For the UV
- For the IR
- Plastics
- Advances come usually with new materials that extend or have new properties.
- The design is limited by the material



# Glass properties



$n_d - 1$  Refractivity  
 $n_F - n_C$  Mean dispersion  
 $n_d - n_C$  Partial dispersion

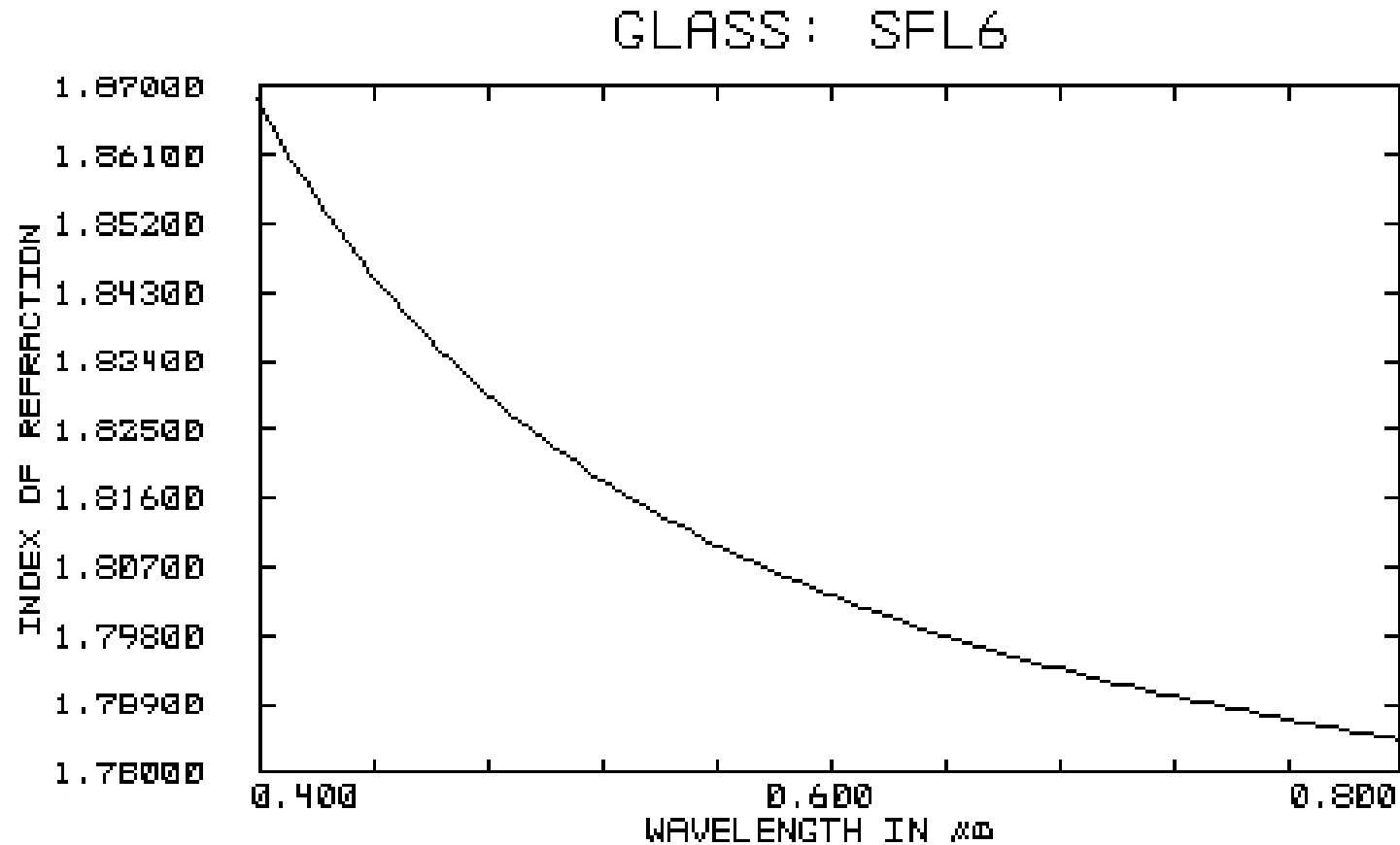
$v = (n_d - 1) / (n_F - n_C)$  v-value, reciprocal dispersive power, Abbe number

$P = (n_d - n_C) / (n_F - n_C)$  Partial dispersion ratio

# Glass properties

- Homogeneity
- Transmission
- Stria
- Bubbles
- Ease of fabrication; soft glasses
- Coefficient of thermal expansion
- Opto-thermal coefficient
- Birefringence

# Index of refraction variation



Rate of slope change in the blue makes it more difficult to correct for color



# Index interpolation

Sellmeier

$$n^2 = a + \frac{b\lambda^2}{c - \lambda^2} + \frac{d\lambda^2}{e - \lambda^2} + \dots$$

Schott

$$n^2 - 1 = A + A_1\lambda^2 + A_2\lambda^{-2} + A_4\lambda^{-4} + A_6\lambda^{-6} + A_8\lambda^{-8} \dots$$

Hartmann

Conrady

Kettler-Drude

Must verify index of refraction

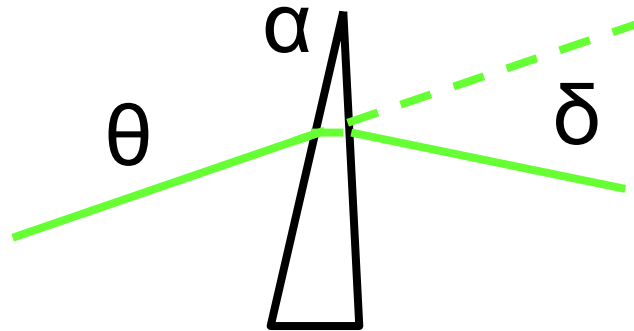
# The optical wedge

$$\theta_1' = \frac{1}{n} \theta_1$$

$$\theta_2 = \theta_1' - \alpha$$

$$\theta_2' = n\theta_2$$

$$\delta = \alpha - \theta_1 + \theta_2'$$



$$\delta = -(n - 1) \alpha$$

The deviation is independent of the angle of incidence for small  $\theta$   
(First order approximation)

# Wedge

$$\hat{\partial} = -\alpha(n_d - 1)$$

$$\Delta = (n_F - 1)(-\alpha) - (n_C - 1)(-\alpha) = (n_F - n_C)(-\alpha)$$

$$\varepsilon = (n_d - 1)(-\alpha) - (n_C - 1)(-\alpha) = (n_d - n_C)(-\alpha)$$

$$\frac{\hat{\partial}}{\Delta} = \frac{(n_d - 1)}{(n_F - n_C)} = \nu$$

$$\frac{\varepsilon}{\Delta} = \frac{(n_d - n_C)}{(n_F - n_C)} = P$$

$$\Delta = \frac{\hat{\partial}}{\nu}$$

$$\varepsilon = P \frac{\hat{\partial}}{\nu}$$

$\delta$  Deviation  
 $\Delta$  Dispersion  
 $\varepsilon$  Secondary  
dispersion

# Achromatic wedge pair

$$\Delta = \Delta_1 + \Delta_2 = \frac{\partial_1}{v_1} + \frac{\partial_2}{v_2} = 0$$

Deviation without dispersion

$$\partial_2 = -\frac{v_2}{v_1} \partial_1$$

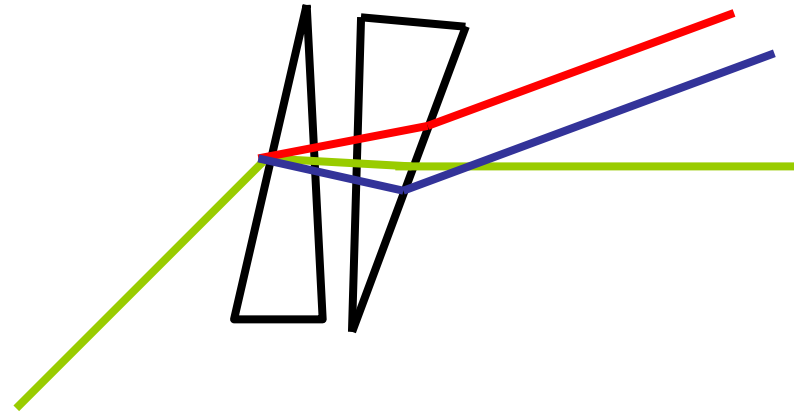
$$\partial = \partial_1 + \partial_2 = \partial_1 - \frac{v_2}{v_1} \partial_1 = (v_1 - v_2) \frac{\partial_1}{v_1} = -(v_1 - v_2) \frac{\partial_2}{v_2}$$

$$\frac{\alpha_1}{\partial} = -\left(\frac{1}{v_1 - v_2}\right) \left(\frac{v_1}{n_{d1} - 1}\right)$$

$$\frac{\alpha_2}{\partial} = \left(\frac{1}{v_1 - v_2}\right) \left(\frac{v_2}{n_{d2} - 1}\right)$$

$$\frac{\varepsilon}{\partial} = -\left(\frac{1}{v_1 - v_2}\right) (P_1 - P_2)$$

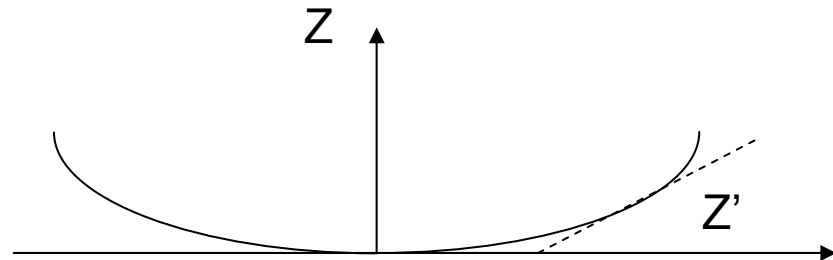
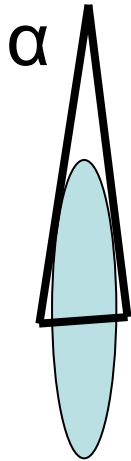
# Achromatic wedge



- There is deviation
- There is no dispersion
- Red and blue rays are parallel
- Independent of theta to first order

# Achromatic doublet

(Treated as two wedges)

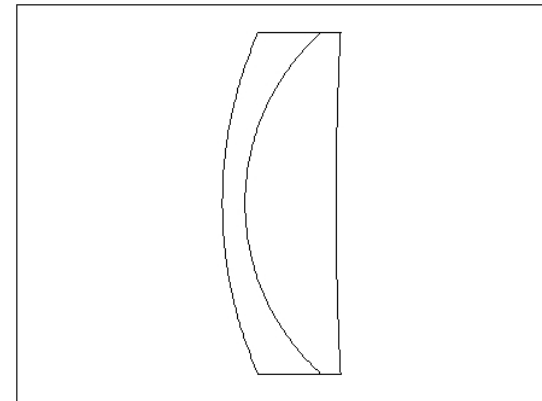


$$Z = \text{sag} = \frac{Y^2}{2r}; \quad Z' = \frac{Y}{r}$$

$$\alpha = Z'_1 + Z'_2 = Y \left( \frac{1}{r_1} + \frac{1}{r_2} \right) = \frac{Y}{n_d - 1} \phi_1$$

$$\frac{\partial_1}{v_1} + \frac{\partial_2}{v_2} = 0$$

$$\frac{Y\phi_1}{v_1} + \frac{Y\phi_2}{v_2} = 0$$



# Achromatic doublet

$$\frac{Y\phi_1}{\nu_1} + \frac{Y\phi_2}{\nu_2} = 0$$

$$\phi = \phi_1 + \phi_2$$

$$\frac{\phi_1}{\phi} = \frac{\nu_1}{\nu_1 - \nu_2}$$

$$\frac{\phi_2}{\phi} = -\frac{\nu_2}{\nu_1 - \nu_2}$$

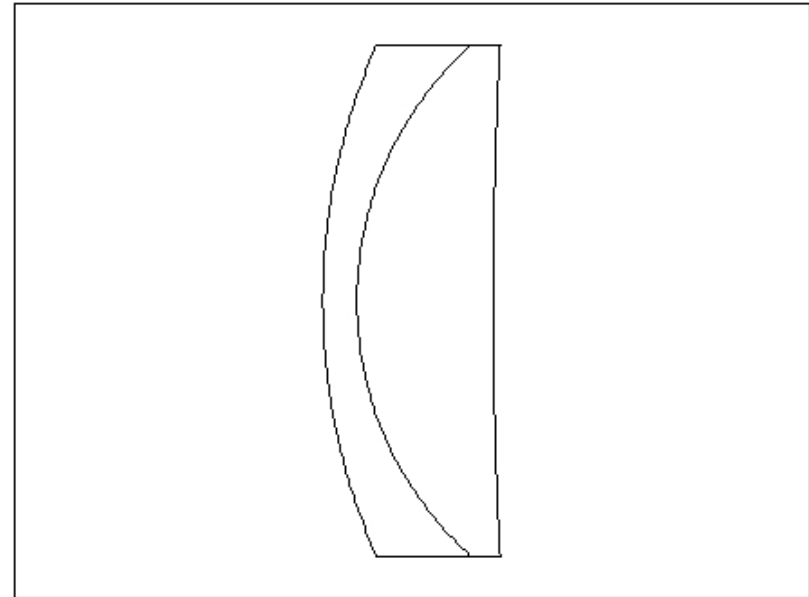
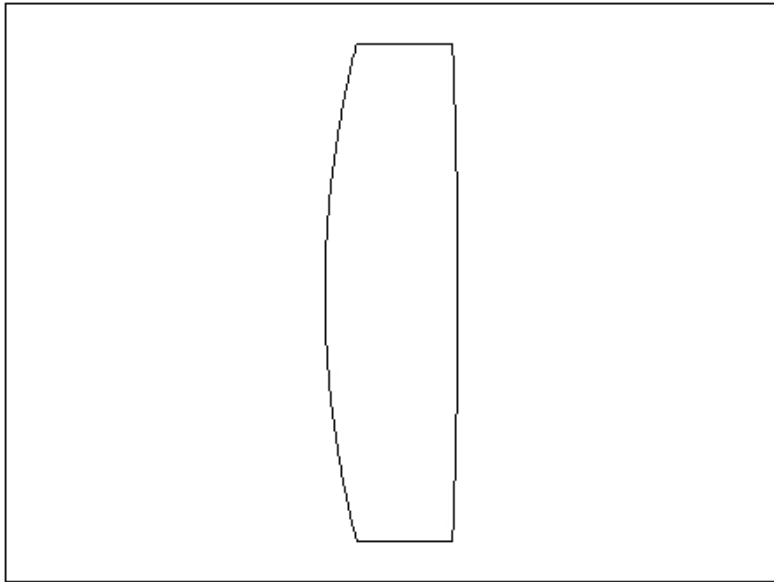
Independent of conjugate  
Requires finite difference

$$\nu_1 - \nu_2$$

Can lead to strong  
optical powers

# Relative sag

(for 100 mm focal length)

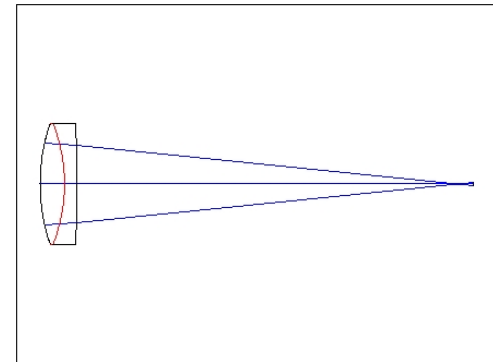


Zonal spherical aberration  
Critical airspace



# Achromatic doublet

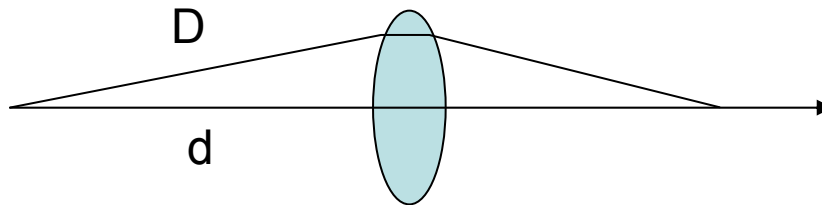
- Must have opposite power (Glass)
- Strong positive and weaker negative lens
- Cemented doublet
- Crown in front
- Flint in front
- Corrected for spherical aberration
- Degrees of freedom
- Large achromats and cementing
- Conrady D-d sum
- Zonal spherical aberration



# Conrady's D-d sum

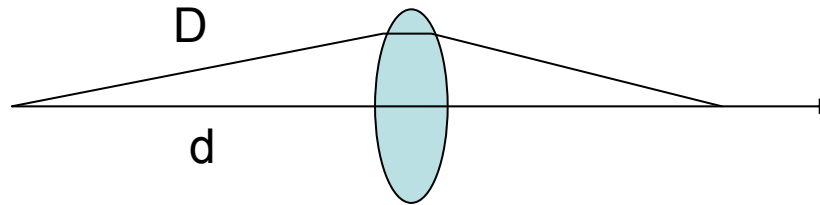
- In the presence of sphero-chromatism the best state of correction is achieved when:

$$\sum (D - d) \Delta n = 0$$

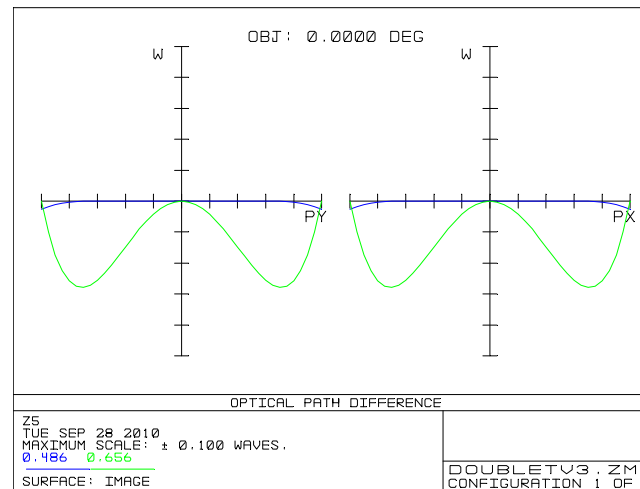
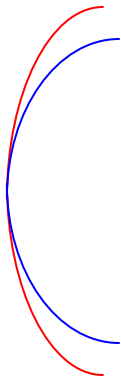


Is the difference of optical path between the marginal F and C rays.

# Conrady's D-d sum



$$\text{Optical\_path\_difference} = \left( \sum Dn_f - \sum dn_f \right) - \left( \sum Dn_c - \sum dn_c \right) = \sum (D - d) \Delta n$$



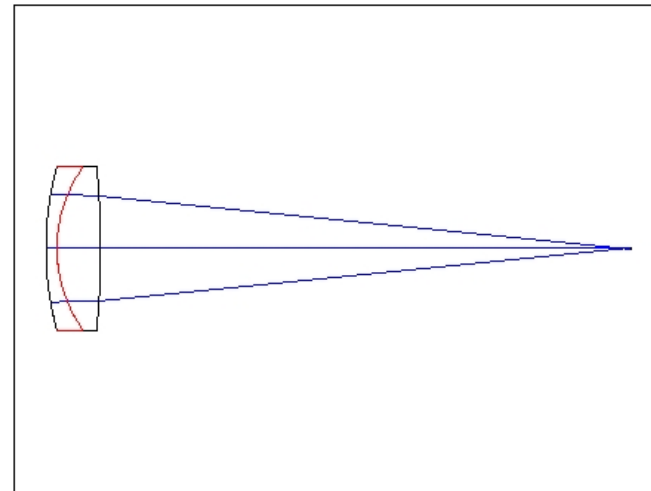
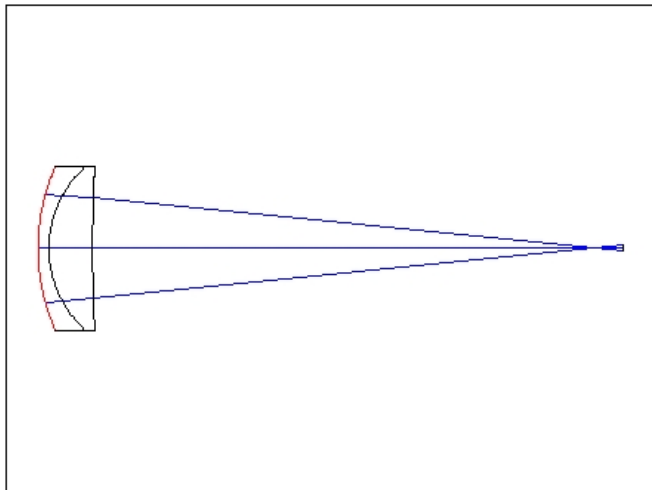
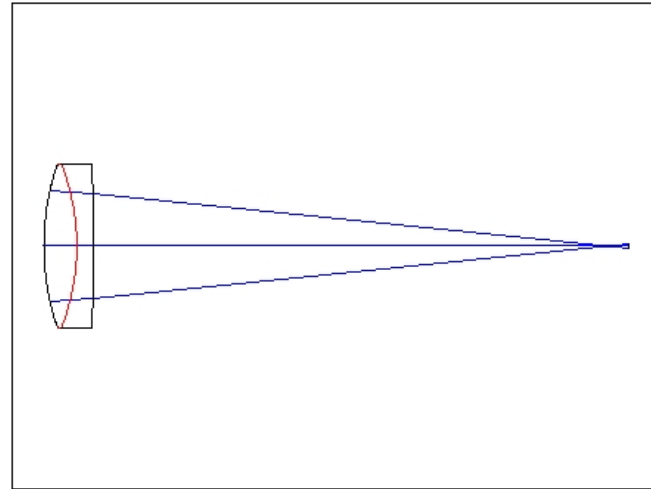
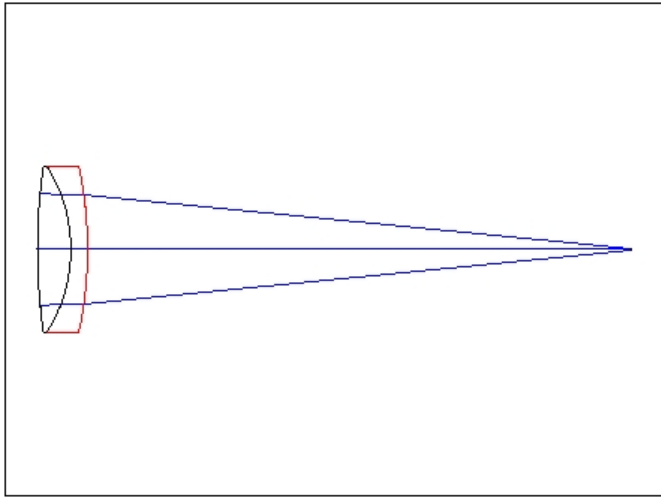
Minimizes the rms OPD difference by joining the opd curves at the edge of the aperture. Valid for fourth order sphero-chromatism.

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# Cemented doublet solutions

- Correction for chromatic change of focus
- Correction for spherical aberration
- Degrees of freedom: relative powers for a set of glasses; shapes
- Crown in front: two solutions
- Flint in front: two solutions
- Note multiple solutions

# Crown in front and flint in front doublet solutions (BK7 and F2)



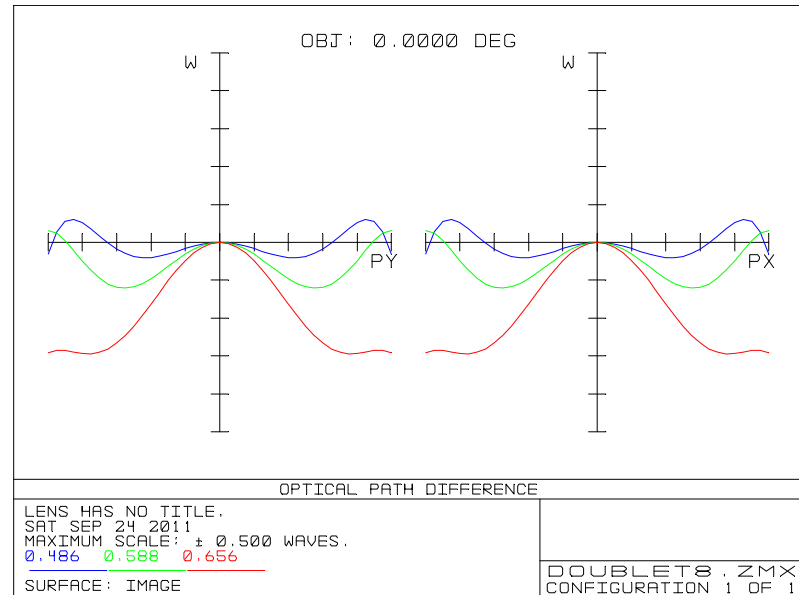
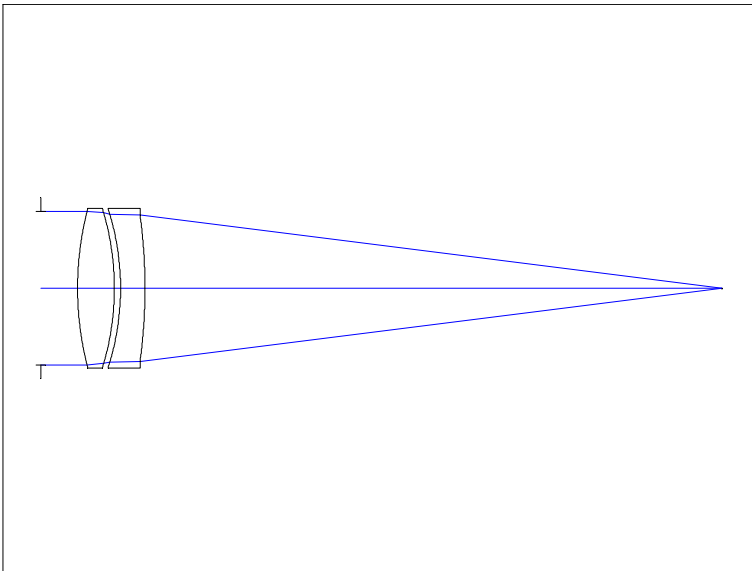
# Contact options for doublets

Full contact (cemented)  
Air spaced

Edge contacted  
Center contacted

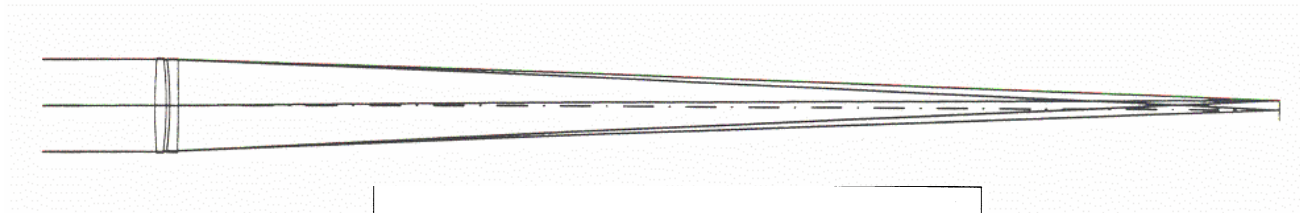
# Limitations

Secondary spectrum, spherochromatism and zonal spherical aberration set limits



$F=100$  mm,  $f/4$ , 0.5 wave scale

# Achromatic doublet

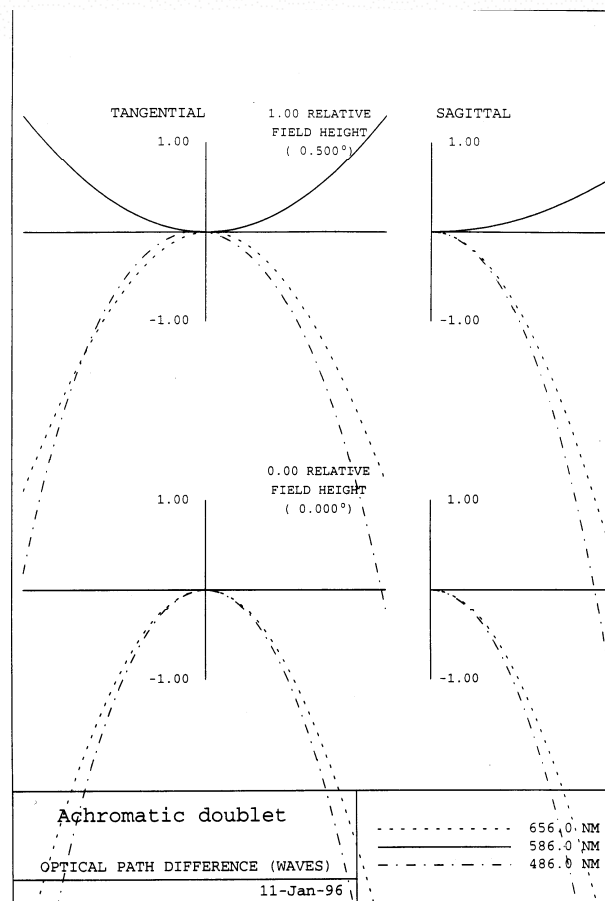


20 inch  
diameter

F/12

BK7

F4



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# In this lecture

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- Achromatic wedge-pair and lens doublets
- Examples
- D-d method
- Achromatic doublet
- Diversity of solutions