

Undergraduate do three problems and Graduate Students do all four problems.

1. The letters of the fine print on a medicine bottle are 1 mm high. Suppose you hold the bottle 125 mm from your eye to read it. Answer the following:

(a) What visual acuity is needed in order to resolve the letters?

*Using the small angle approximation, the angular subtense of the letter is*

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{125} \text{ rad} = 27.5 \text{ arcmin}$$

*A 20/20 letter subtends 5 arcmin, so this is 5.5x larger, so we would expect the visual acuity to be 20/110.*

(b) How many diopters does a person need to accommodate in order to focus on the letters?

$$\text{The accommodation needed is } \frac{1}{0.125 \text{ m}} = 8\text{D}.$$

(c) Based on the plot of accommodation vs. age in the notes, at about what age will this level of accommodation be the maximum a person can do?

*Somewhere around 25 years old.*

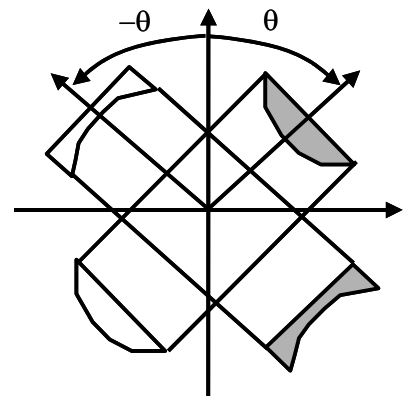
(d) Suppose you only have 2.5 D of accommodation and now move the bottle to a distance of 400 mm to focus on it. What visual acuity is needed in this case

*Using the small angle approximation, the angular subtense of the letter is*

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{400} \text{ rad} = 8.6 \text{ arcmin}$$

*A 20/20 letter subtends 5 arcmin, so this is 1.7x larger, so we would expect the visual acuity to be 20/34.*

2. A Stokes lens is a variable crossed cylinder. It is comprised of a plano-convex cylinder lens of power  $\Phi$  and a plano-concave lens of power  $-\Phi$ . The lenses are geared such that if the positive cylinder lens is rotated through an angle  $\theta$ , then the negative cylinder lens is automatically rotated through an angle  $-\theta$ .



a) What is the combined prescription of the Stokes lens as a function of  $\theta$ ?

*This is an astigmatic decomposition problem. We can*

write the two cylinder lenses in terms of  $J_0$ ,  $J_{45}$  and  $M$

<i>Sph</i>	<i>Cyl</i>	<i>Axis</i>	$J_0$	$J_{45}$	$M$
0	$\Phi$	$90 - \theta$	$-\frac{\Phi}{2} \cos(180 - 2\theta)$	$-\frac{\Phi}{2} \sin(180 - 2\theta)$	$\frac{\Phi}{2}$
0	$-\Phi$	$90 + \theta$	$\frac{\Phi}{2} \cos(180 + 2\theta)$	$\frac{\Phi}{2} \sin(180 + 2\theta)$	$-\frac{\Phi}{2}$

Summing the columns gives a spherical equivalent  $M = 0$ . The crossed cylinder terms are given by

$$J_0 = \frac{\Phi}{2} [\cos(180 + 2\theta) - \cos(180 - 2\theta)] = \frac{\Phi}{2} [-\cos(2\theta) - \cos(2\theta)] = 0$$

and

$$J_{45} = \frac{\Phi}{2} [\sin(180 + 2\theta) - \sin(180 - 2\theta)] = \frac{\Phi}{2} [\sin(-2\theta) - \sin(2\theta)] = -\Phi \sin 2\theta.$$

Based on these, the prescription of the lens is given by

$$C_R = 2\sqrt{\Phi^2 \sin^2 2\theta} = 2\Phi \sin 2\theta,$$

$$S_R = 0 - \sqrt{\Phi^2 \sin^2 2\theta} = -\Phi \sin 2\theta$$

$$\theta_R = -\tan^{-1} \left[ \frac{\Phi \sin 2\theta}{-\Phi \sin 2\theta} \right] = 45^\circ$$

- b) What is the spherical equivalent power of the Stokes lens?

$M = 0$  in the previous part as is to be expected with a crossed cylinder lens.

3. Measure the wavefront  $W(x, y) = -0.002(x^2 + y^2)$  with a Shack Hartmann sensor for a 4 mm diameter pupil. Suppose the lenslets of the array have a focal length of 24 mm and a spacing of 1 mm.

- (a) What does the *unaberrated* Shack Hartmann pattern look like?

See part (c)

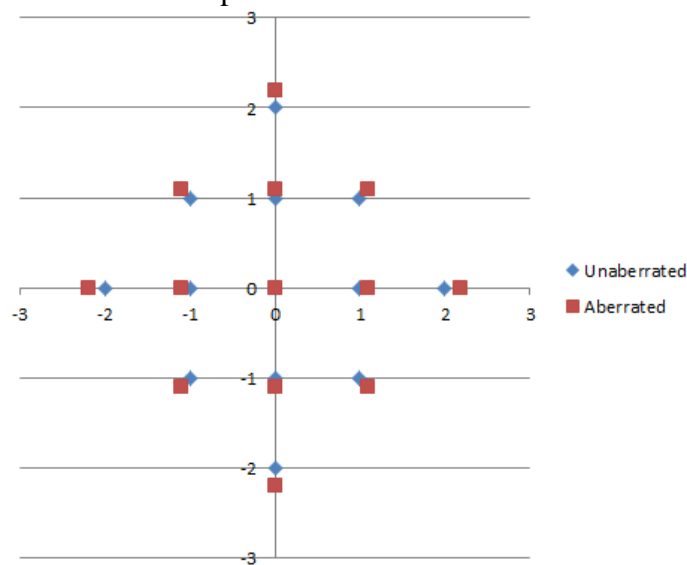
- (b) What are the focal spot shifts  $\Delta x$  and  $\Delta y$  for each spot?

The spot displacement are given by

$\Delta x = -f \frac{\partial W(x, y)}{\partial x}$  and  $\Delta y = -f \frac{\partial W(x, y)}{\partial y}$ . The table below summarizes the values. Use symmetry to speed the calculations.

x	y	$\Delta x$	$\Delta y$	x+ $\Delta x$	y+ $\Delta y$
0	2	0	0.192	0	2.192
-1	1	-0.096	0.096	-1.096	1.096
0	1	0	0.096	0	1.096
1	1	0.096	0.096	1.096	1.096
-2	0	-0.192	0	-2.192	0
-1	0	-0.096	0	-1.096	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0.096	0	1.096	0
2	0	0.192	0	2.192	0
-1	-1	-0.096	-0.096	-1.096	-1.096
0	-1	0	-0.096	0	-1.096
1	-1	0.096	-0.096	1.096	-1.096
0	-2	0	-0.192	0	-2.192

(c) What does the Shack Hartmann pattern look like for the wavefront?



4. Given the wavefront  $W(x, y) = x^3 - 3xy^2 + x^2$  over a 4 mm diameter pupil:

(a) Rewrite the wavefront in terms of polar coordinates ( $r, \theta$ ).

Using  $x = r \cos \theta$  and  $y = r \sin \theta$ , the wavefront can be rewritten as

$$W(r, \theta) = r^3 \cos^3 \theta - 3r^3 \cos \theta \sin^2 \theta + r^2 \cos^2 \theta$$

(b) Rewrite the wavefront in terms of normalized polar coordinates ( $\rho, \theta$ ).

Using  $\rho = r/2$ ,  $W(r, \theta) = 8\rho^3 \cos^3 \theta - 24\rho^3 \cos \theta \sin^2 \theta + 4\rho^2 \cos^2 \theta$ .

- (c) Rewrite the wavefront in terms of a linear combination of Zernike polynomials  $Z_n^m(\rho, \theta)$ .  
Give explicit expressions for the relevant expansion coefficients  $a_{n,m}$ .

Rewrite the wavefront as

$$W(r, \theta) = 8\rho^3 (\cos^3 \theta - 3(\cos \theta - \cos^3 \theta)) + 4\rho^2 \cos^2 \theta.$$

Using

$$\cos^2 \theta = \frac{1}{2}[1 + \cos 2\theta] \text{ and } \cos^3 \theta = \frac{1}{4}[\cos 3\theta + 3\cos \theta],$$

$$W(r, \theta) = 8\rho^3 \cos 3\theta + 2\rho^2 + 2\rho^2 \cos 2\theta.$$

Examining a list of Zernike polynomials, we would expect the following terms:

$$W(r, \theta) = 8\rho^3 \cos 3\theta + 2\rho^2 + 2\rho^2 \cos 2\theta = a_{33} \sqrt{8}\rho^3 \cos 3\theta + a_{20} \sqrt{3}(2\rho^2 - 1) + a_{00} + a_{22} \sqrt{6}\rho^2 \cos 2\theta.$$

Note the  $a_{00}$  term is needed to cancel the constant in the  $a_{20}$  term. Comparing like terms:

$$8\rho^3 \cos 3\theta = a_{33} \sqrt{8}\rho^3 \cos 3\theta$$

$$2\rho^2 = a_{20} \sqrt{3}(2\rho^2)$$

$$2\rho^2 \cos 2\theta = a_{22} \sqrt{6}\rho^2 \cos 2\theta$$

$$0 = a_{20} \sqrt{3}(-1) + a_{00}.$$

Solving these gives  $a_{33} = \sqrt{8}$ ;  $a_{20} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ ;  $a_{22} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}$ ;  $a_{00} = 1$ .