

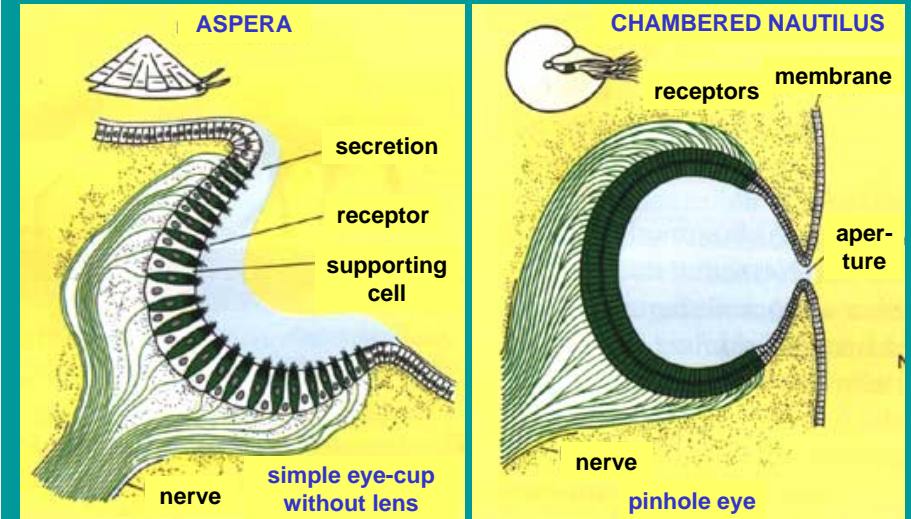
# OPTICS OF THE EYE 1.

Development of  
the visual organ

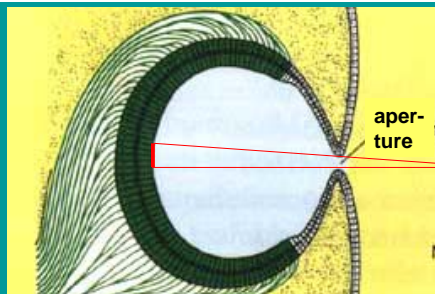


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## Development of the visual organ

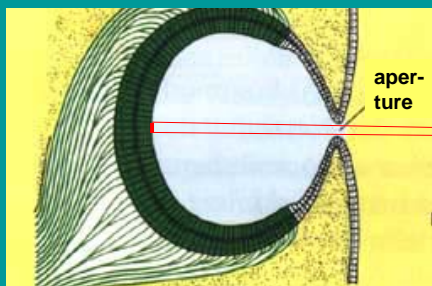


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Disadvantages:

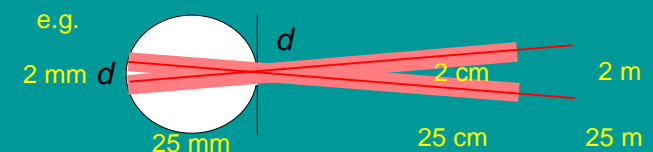
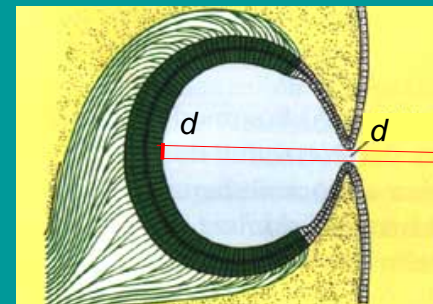
- ⊗ open
- ⊗ not point like imaging
- ⊗ poor resolution



Size of the spot  $\approx$  size of the  
aperture ( $d$ )

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Resolution:



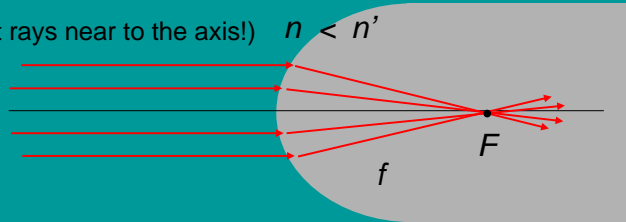
→ smaller  $d$  for  
better resolution

→ loss of intensity and  
diffraction

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## Refraction on curved surface

(for light rays near to the axis!)  $n < n'$



$$f = R \frac{n'}{n' - n}$$

Power of the surface ( $D$ ):  $D = \frac{n'}{f} = \frac{n' - n}{R}$

$n$ : refractive index of the 1. medium

$n'$ : refractive index of the 2. medium

$R$ : radius of the curved surface

$>0$ , when convex

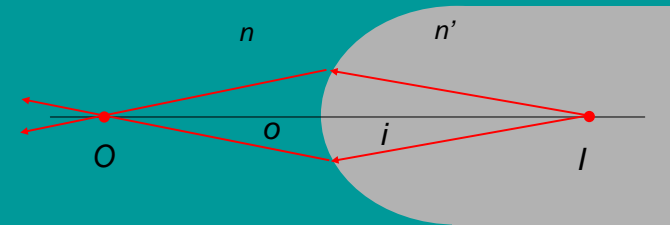
$<0$ , when concave

$D > 0 \Rightarrow$  convergent

$D < 0 \Rightarrow$  divergent

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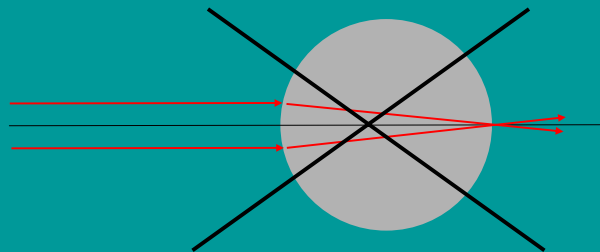
## Image formation on curved surface



$$D = \frac{n'}{i} + \frac{n}{o}$$

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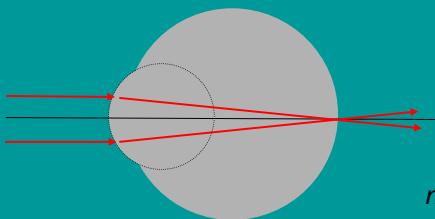
## Simple sphere as eye?



$$f \leq 2R$$

$$f = R \frac{n'}{n' - n} \leq 2R$$

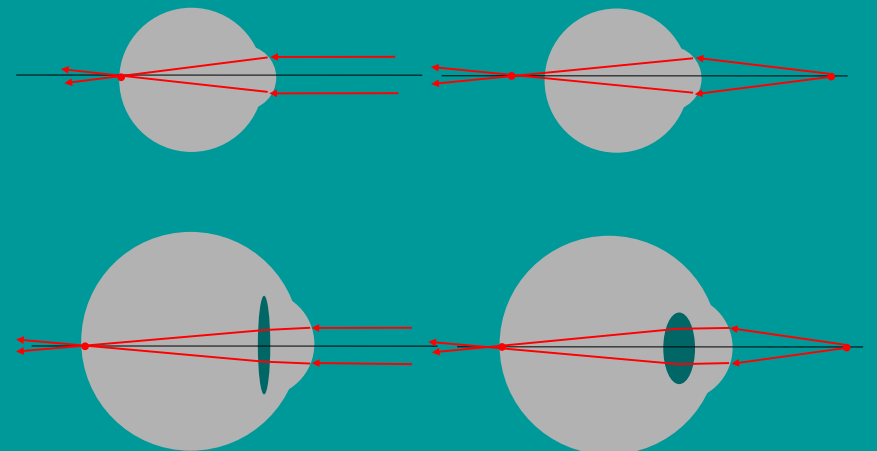
$$n = 1 \Rightarrow n' \geq 2!!$$



$$\left. \begin{array}{l} n' = 1.333 \\ f = 2R = 25 \text{ mm} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow r \approx 6.25 \text{ mm}$$

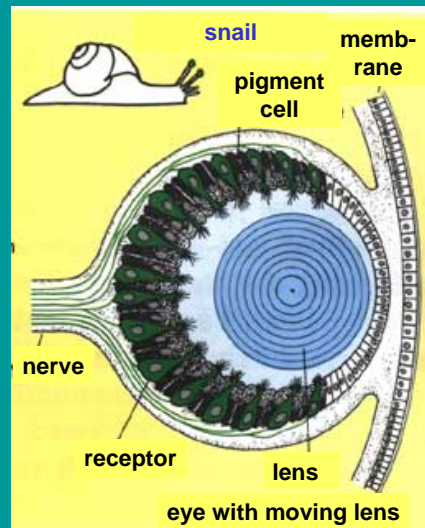
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## Accommodation?



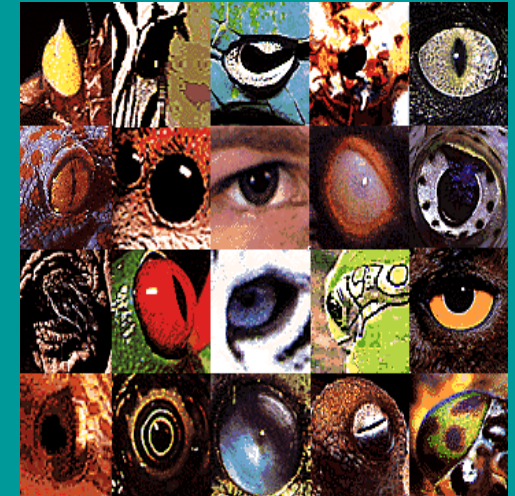
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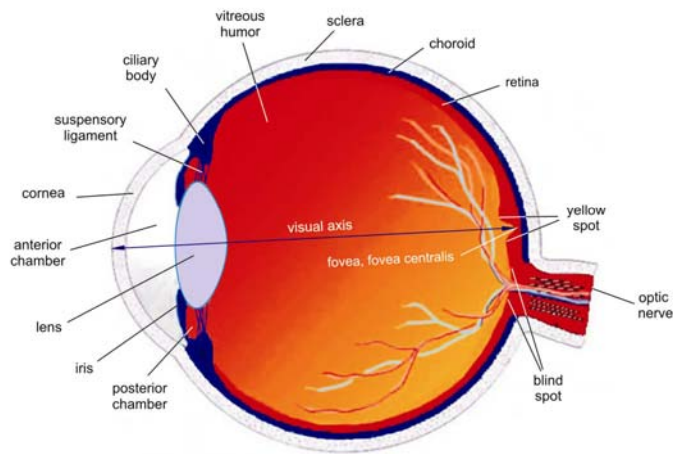
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## The human eye

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## Power of the human eye

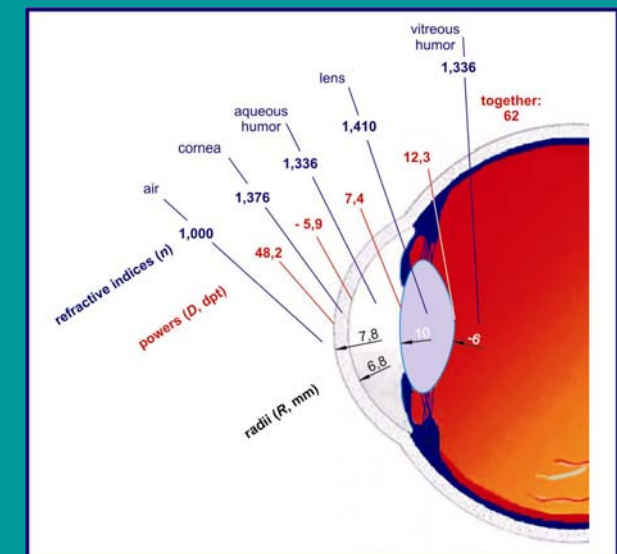
$$D = \frac{n' - n}{R}$$

$D$  : power (dpt)

$n$  : refr. index of the 1. medium

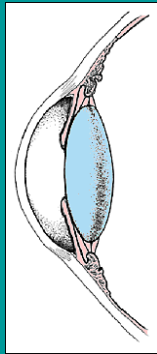
$n'$  : refr. index of the 2. medium

$R$  : radius (m)  
+ convex  
- concave



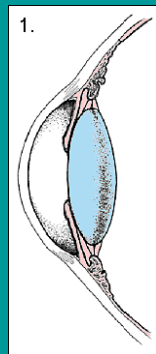
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## Accommodation



focused to a far object  
(just sharp)

far point of vision:  $o_r$

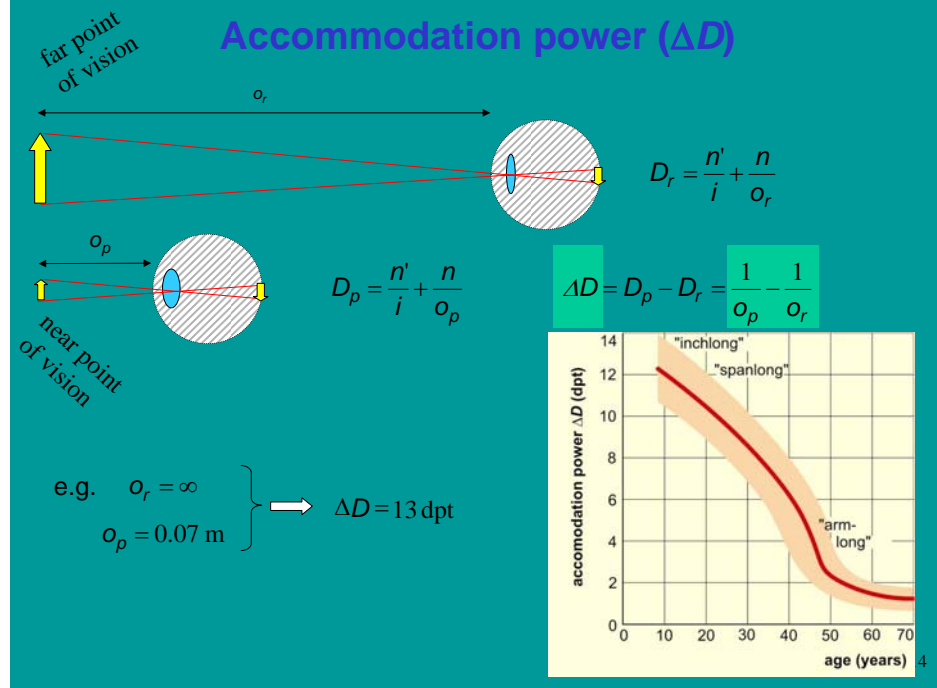


focused to a near object  
(just sharp)

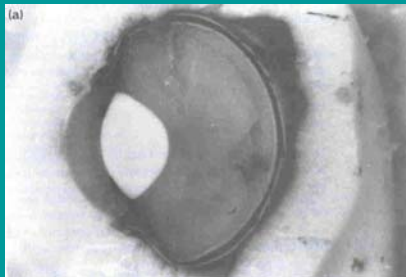
near point of vision:  $o_p$

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## Accommodation power ( $\Delta D$ )



Extrem example: induced accommodation of duck's eye



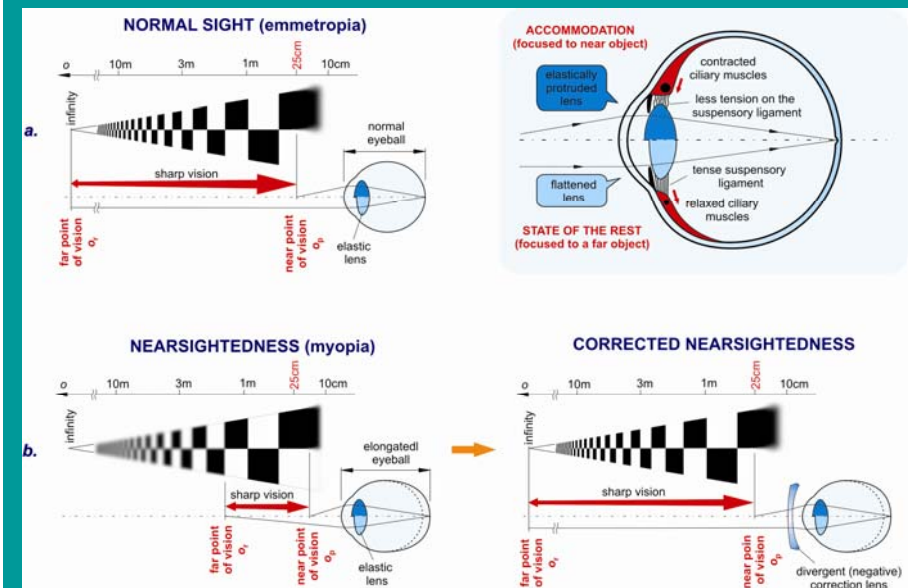
overland



under water

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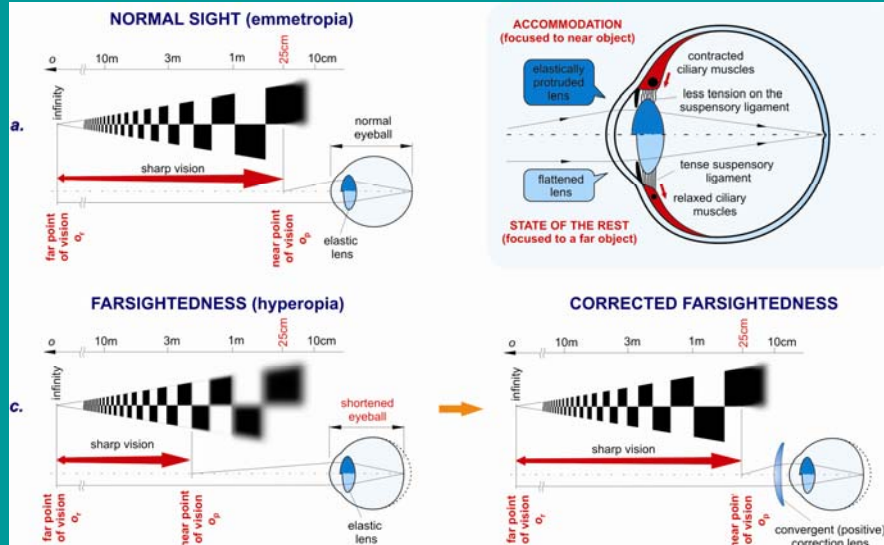
## Defects of the eye: nearsightedness



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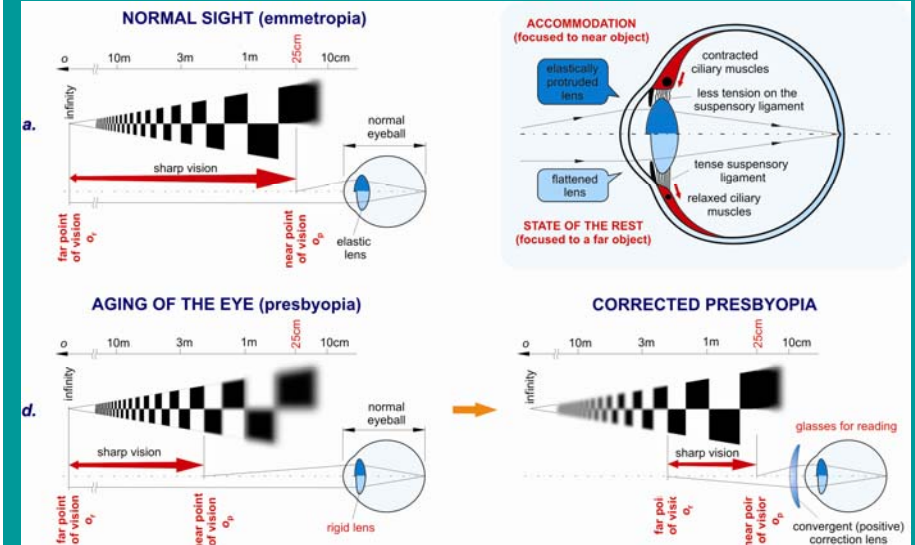


## Defects of the eye: farsightedness



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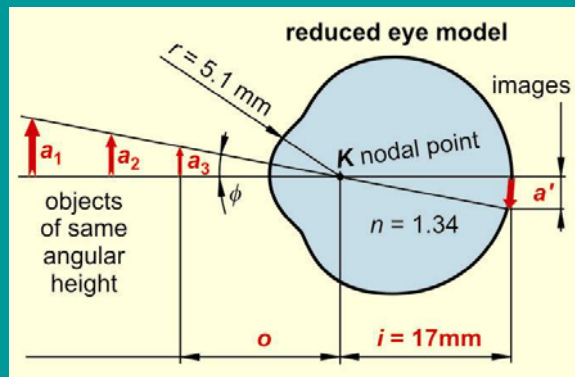
## Defects of the eye: aging of the eye



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## Image formation

Model:  
reduced eye



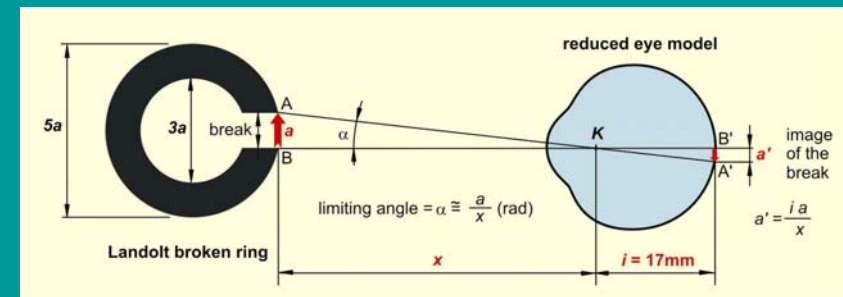
$D = 67 \text{ dpt}$

The image:

- real
- diminished
- inverted

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## Visual acuity (resolution)



Limiting angle:

$$\alpha \cong \frac{a}{x} \text{ (rad)} \quad \alpha' = \frac{a}{x} \text{ (rad)} \cdot \frac{360^\circ}{2\pi \text{ (rad)}} \cdot 60 \left( \frac{'}{^\circ} \right)$$

Visual acuity:

$$\text{visus} = \frac{1'}{\alpha'} \cdot 100 \%$$

Limiting angle of average healthy eye is  $1'$ , so the visual acuity is **100 %**.

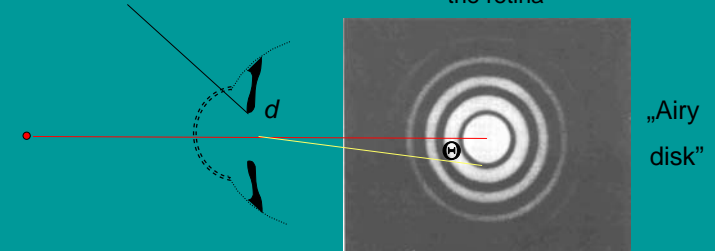
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## Explanation of visual acuity 2.

Wave optical explanation:

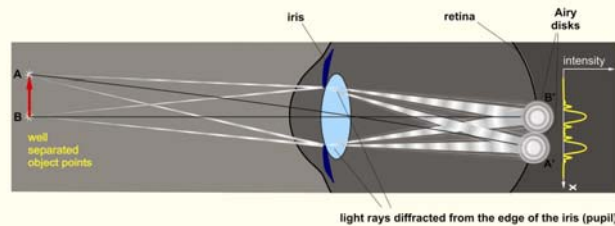
Diffraction on the pupil

Image of an object point on the retina

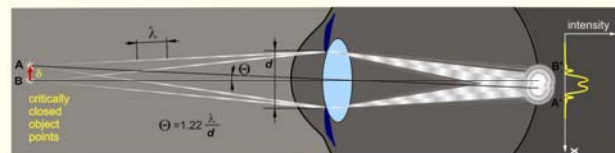


Angle of the first minimum interference relative to the principal maximum:

$$\sin \Theta = 1.22 \frac{\lambda}{d} \approx \Theta$$



light rays diffracted from the edge of the iris (pupil)



δ is the resolution limit, Θ is the limiting angle of view (due to diffraction).

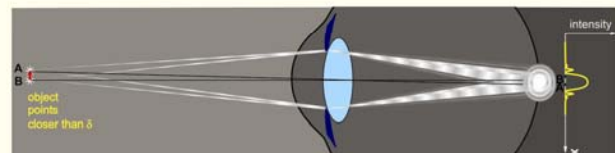
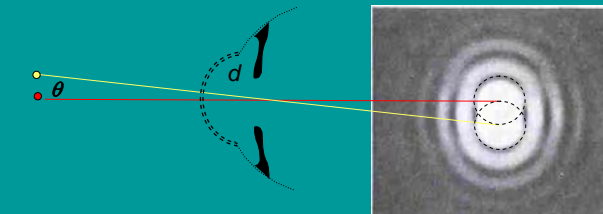


Image of the two object points is not resolved (by wave optics)



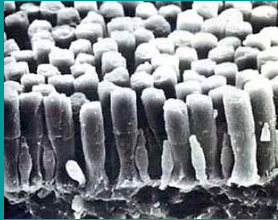
Condition to resolve two object points, that their diffraction patterns shift compared to each other at least so, that the maximum of one coincides with the first minimum of the other.

In this case the visual angle of the object points:  $\theta = 1.22 \frac{\lambda}{d}$

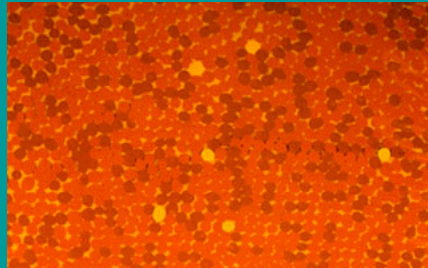
e.g.  $\lambda = 0.55 \mu\text{m}$ ,  
 $d = 3.5 \text{ mm} = 3500 \mu\text{m}$   $\rightarrow \theta = 0.7'$

## Explanation of visual acuity 3.

discrete receptor field



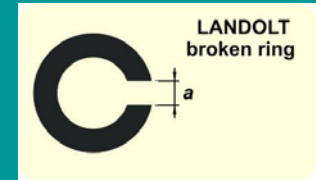
Cones and rods  
(in the peripheral part of the retina)



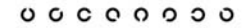
Cones of different wavelength  
sensitivity  
(fovea centralis)

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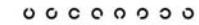
## Measurement of visual acuity



$a = 0,5 \text{ mm}$



$a = 0,4 \text{ mm}$



$a = 0,3 \text{ mm}$

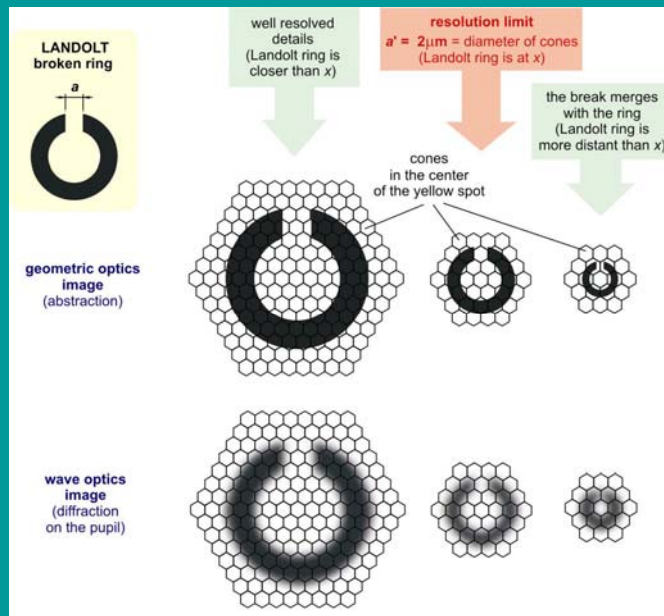


$a = 0,2 \text{ mm}$



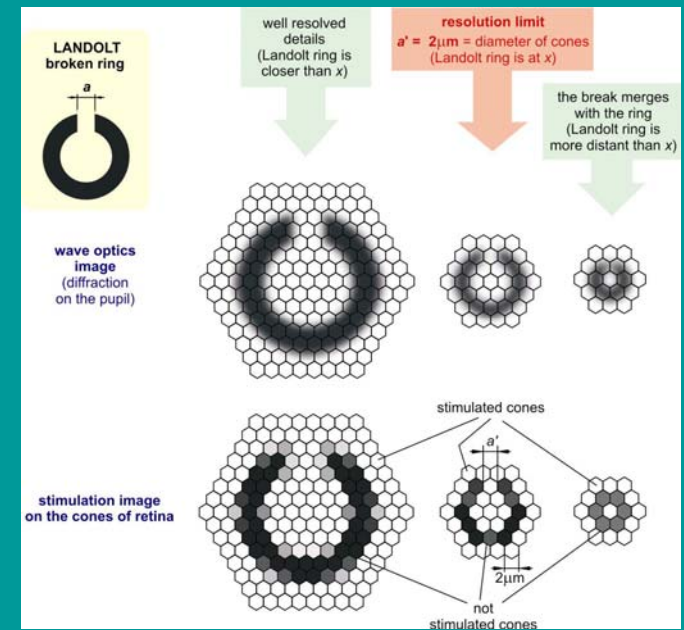
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## Image of Landolt broken ring on the yellow spot 1.



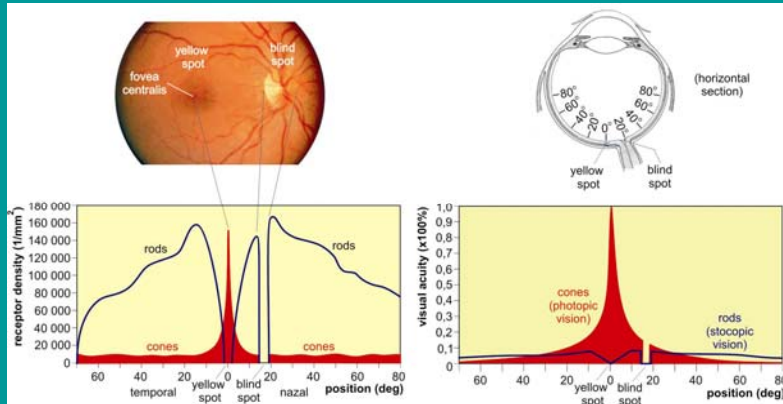
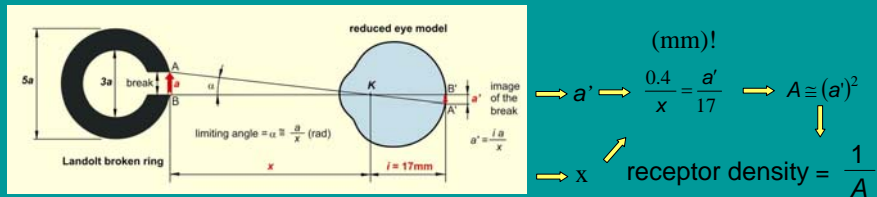
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## Image of Landolt broken ring on the yellow spot 2.



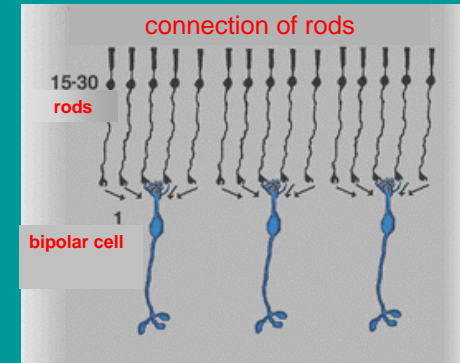
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## Density and distribution of receptor cells



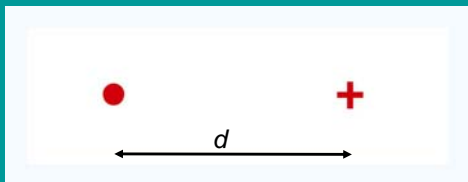
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## Reduction of information, convergence:

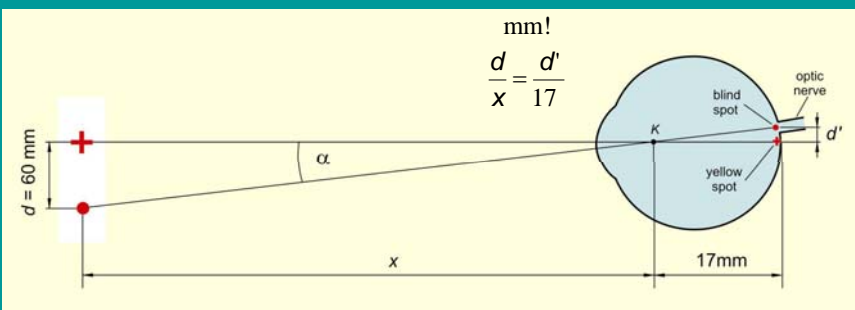
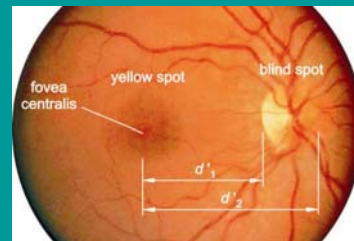


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## Blind spot



On the printed figure:  $d = 60\text{ mm}$



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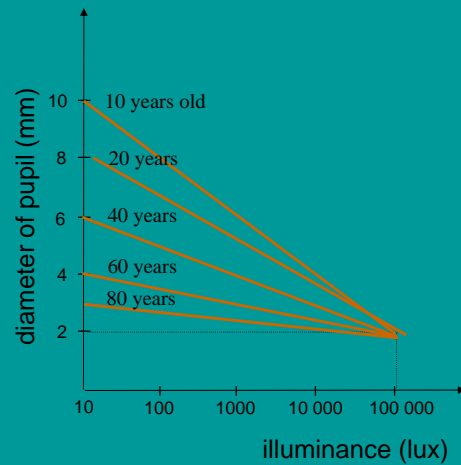
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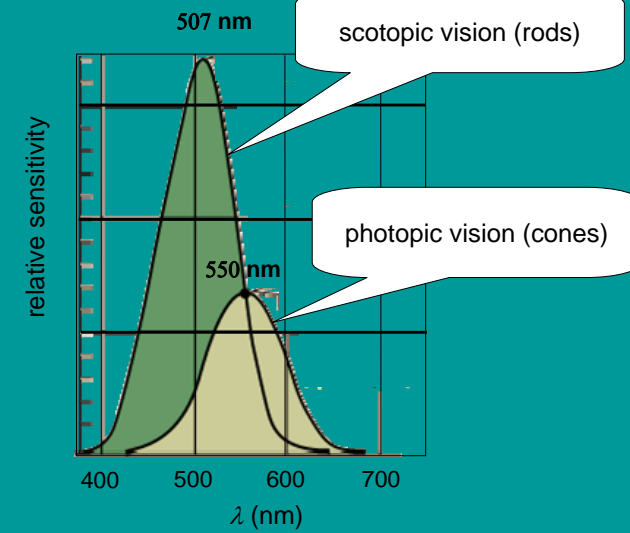


## Adaptation



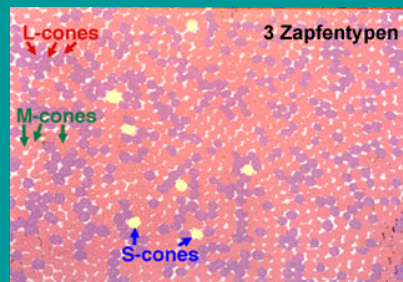
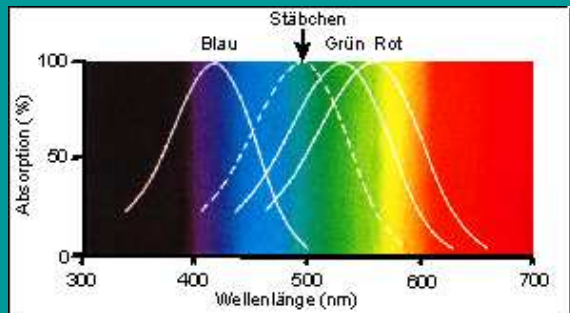
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## Sensitivity curve



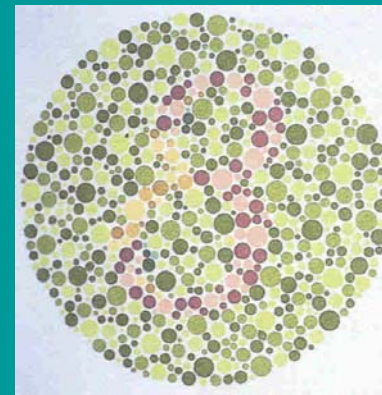
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## Color vision



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## Color blindness



Which number  
you see on the  
figure?

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# OPTICAL ILLUSIONS

