

A full-page background image of a majestic glacier. The glacier flows from the base of steep, snow-covered mountains down to a body of water. The ice is a deep blue color, showing signs of age and compression. Numerous icebergs of various sizes are floating in the water in the foreground. The sky is a clear, bright blue.

# **GP Single Vision and Toric Lens Fitting**

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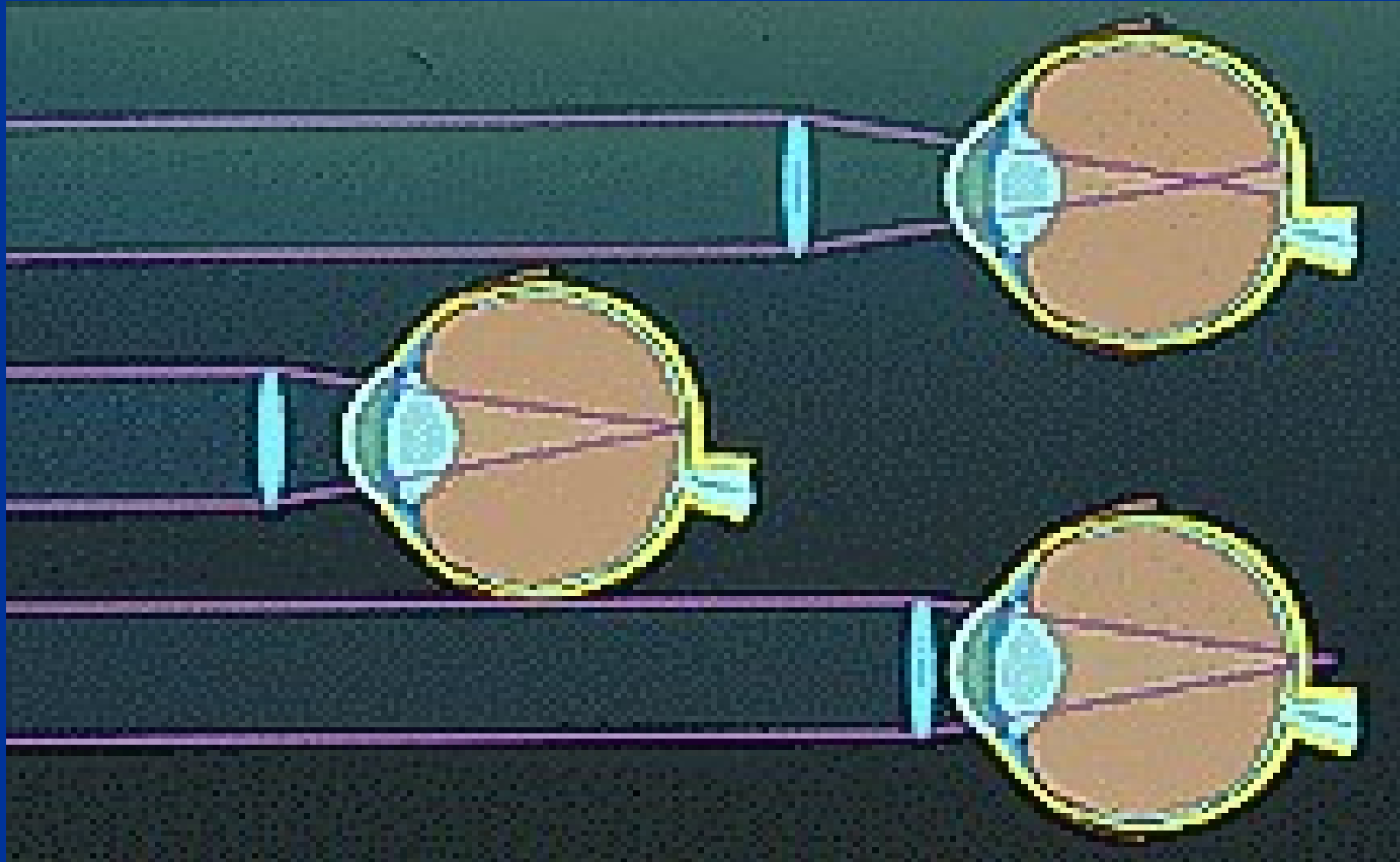


# **Prescription Analysis for Contact Lenses**

- **All prescriptions in minus cylinder form (transpose from + to -)**
- **Vertex distance compensation for anything over +/- 4.00 diopters**
- **Start with the spherical power for all prescriptions**

# Vertex Distance

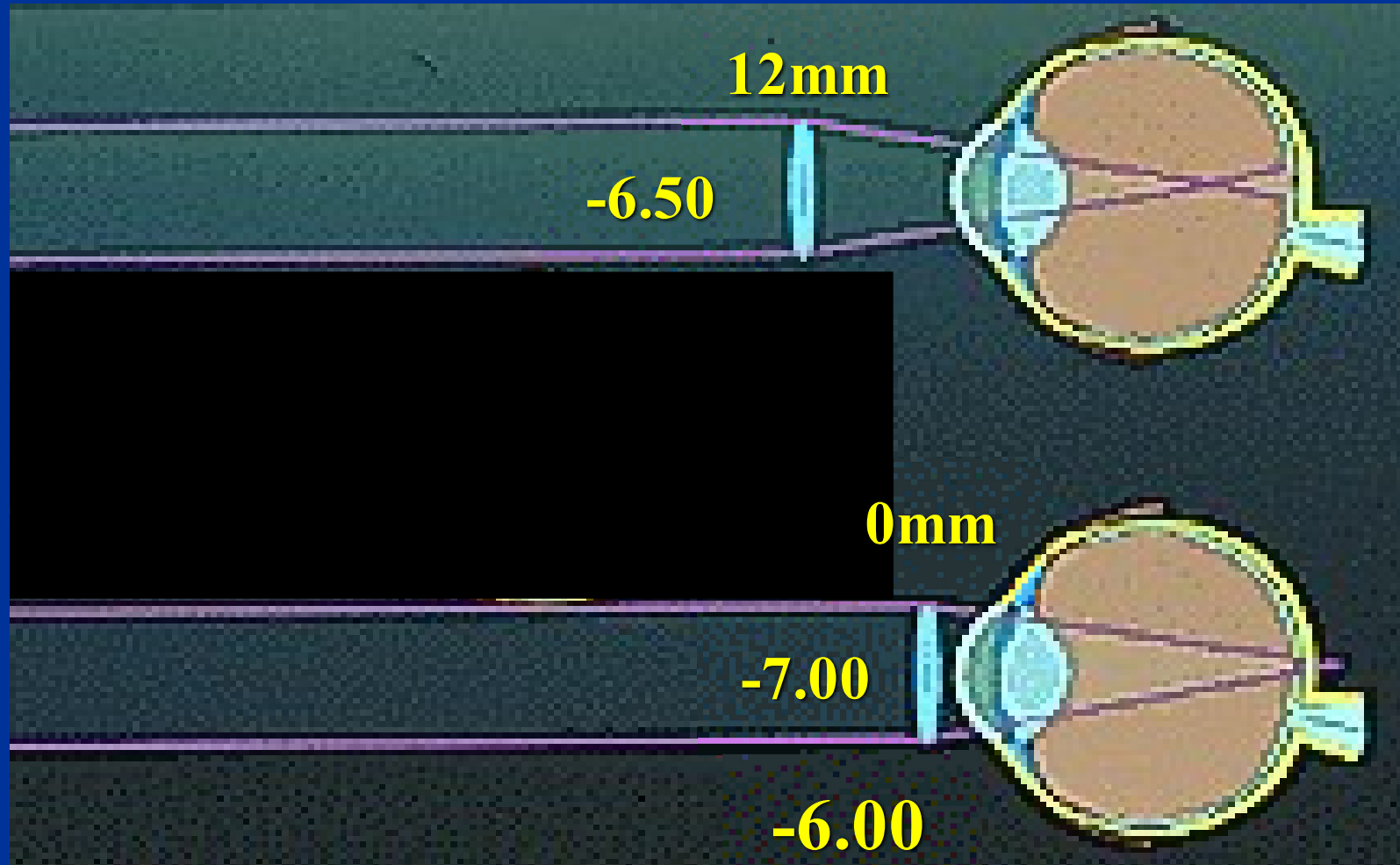
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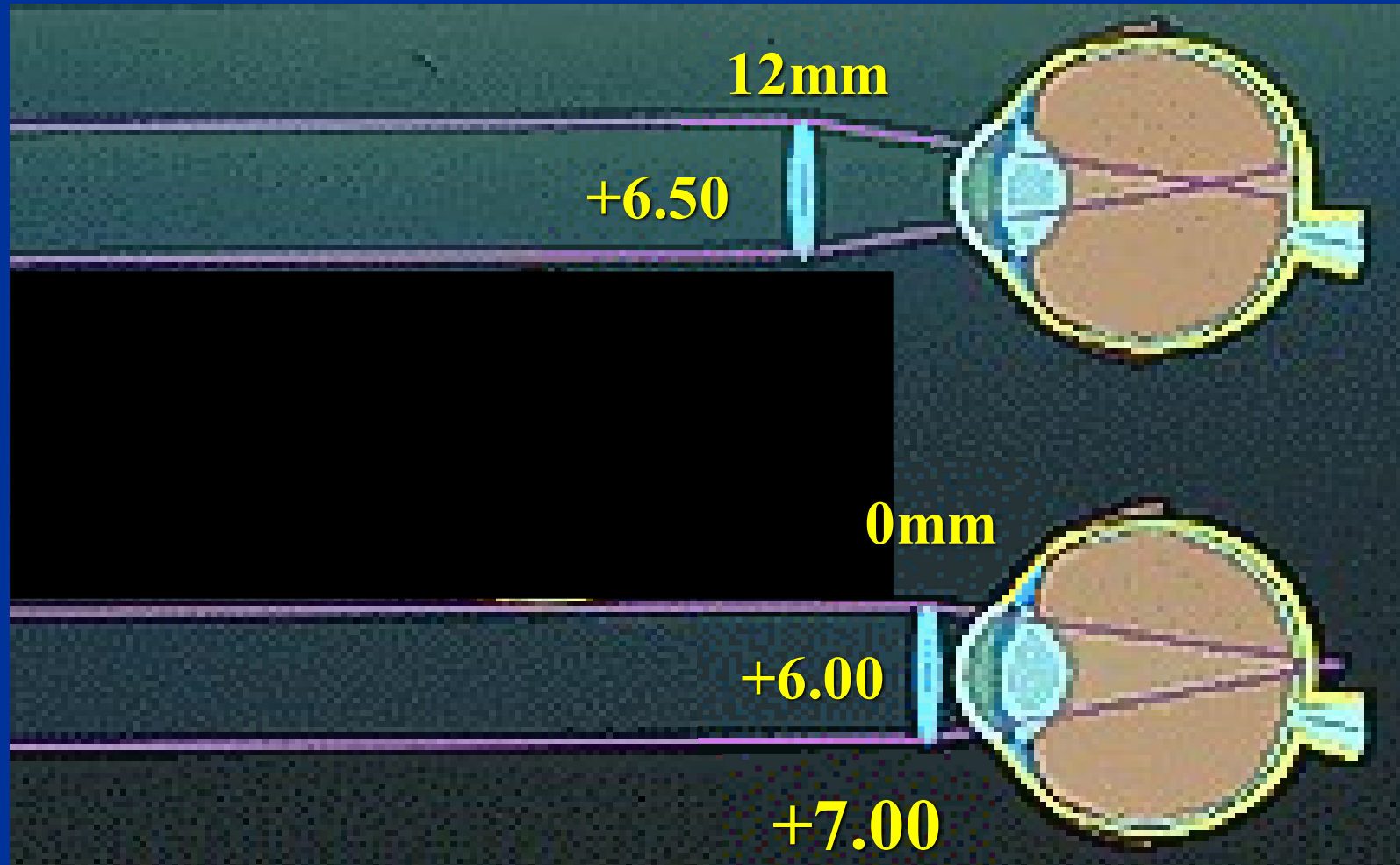
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# Determining The Rx

Vertex any amount over +/- 4.00D

Example:  $- 5.25 - 1.25 \times 180$

Becomes:  $- 5.00 - 1.00 \times 180$

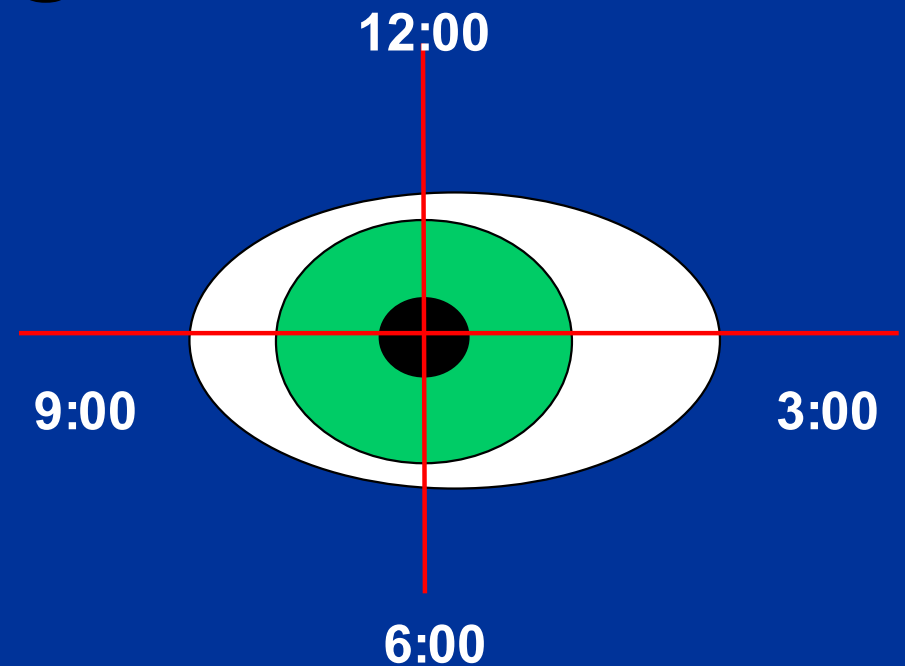
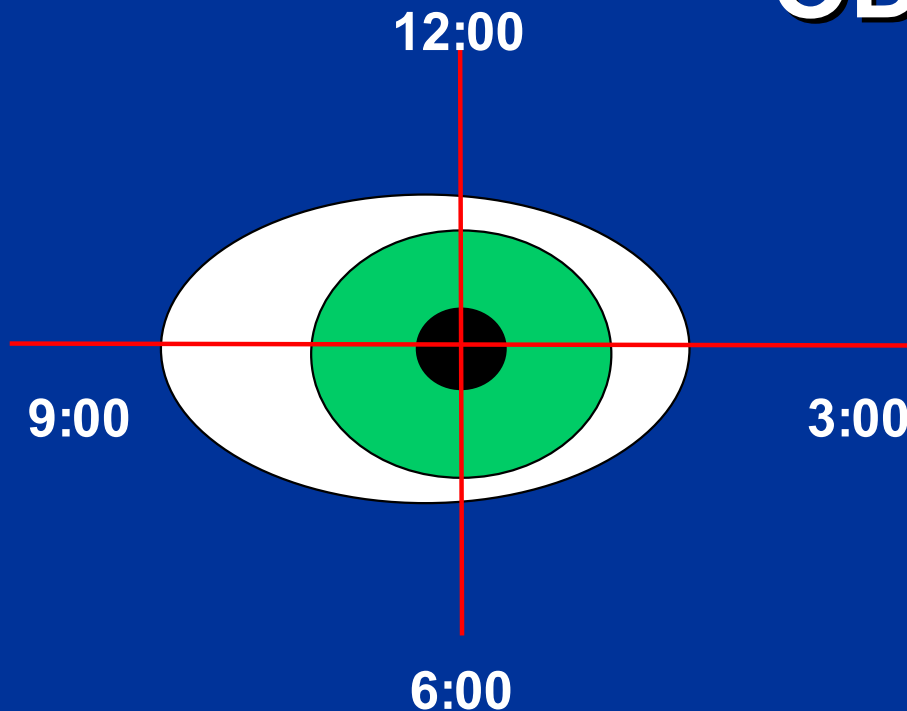
Example:  $+ 5.25 - 1.25 \times 180$

Becomes:  $+ 5.50 - 1.50 \times 180$

# Practitioner's Perspective:

## “Clock landmarks”

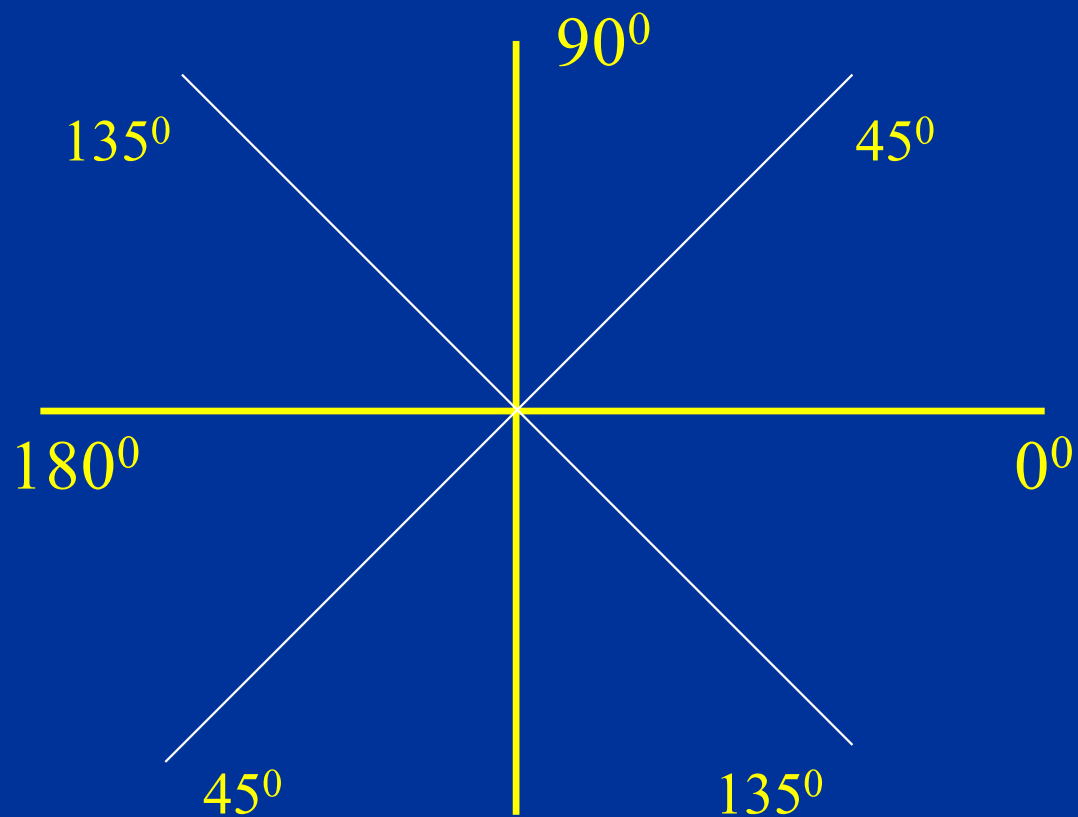
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Every hour represents 30 degrees  
Every minute represents 5-6 degrees



# Optical Cross Axis



# Spherical Equivalent

- **Example**

- Sphere + 1/2 of astigmatic component

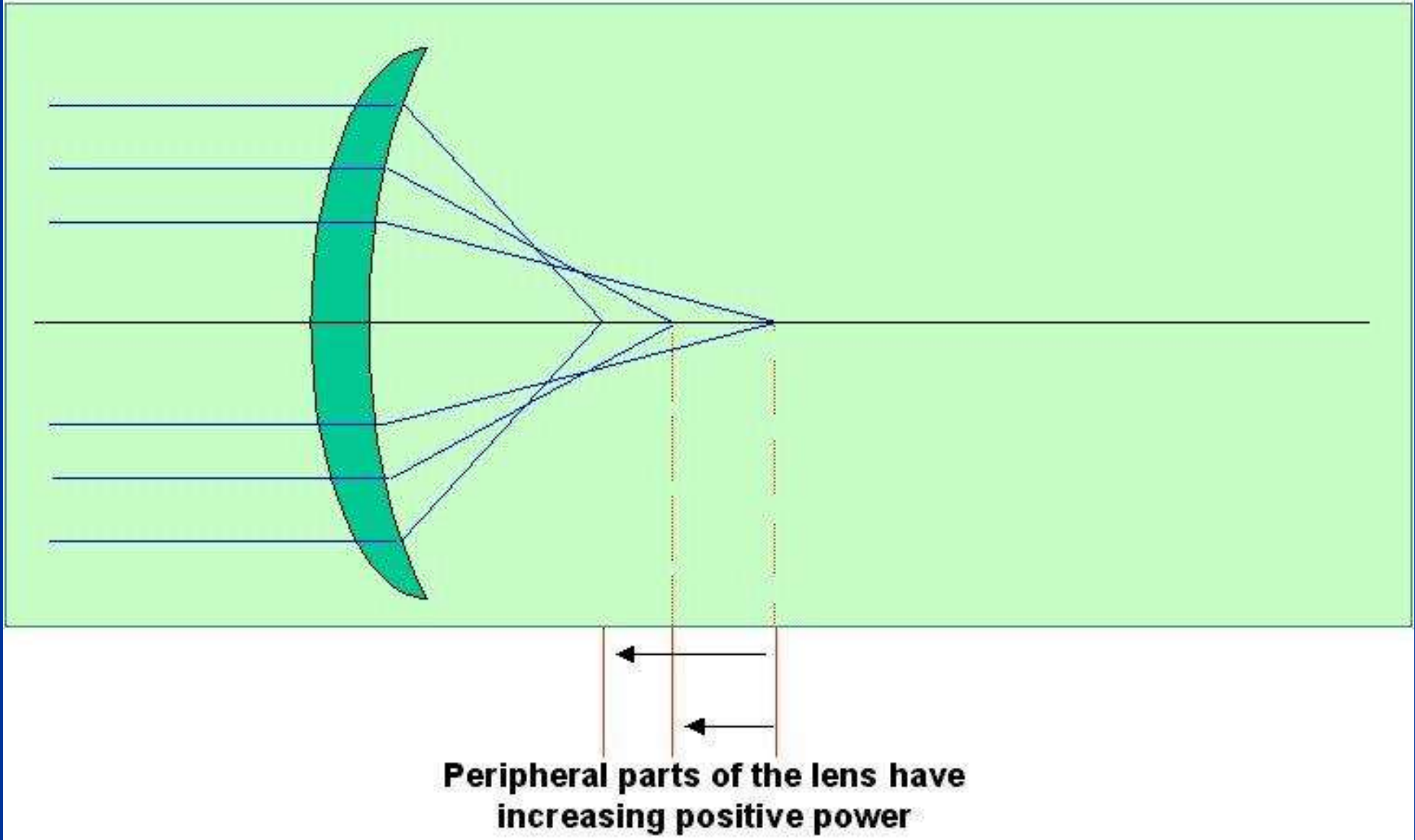
- Spectacle Prescription:

- -2.00 - 1.00 x 180

- Spherical Equivalent:

- $-2.00 + (-0.50) = -2.50\text{D}$

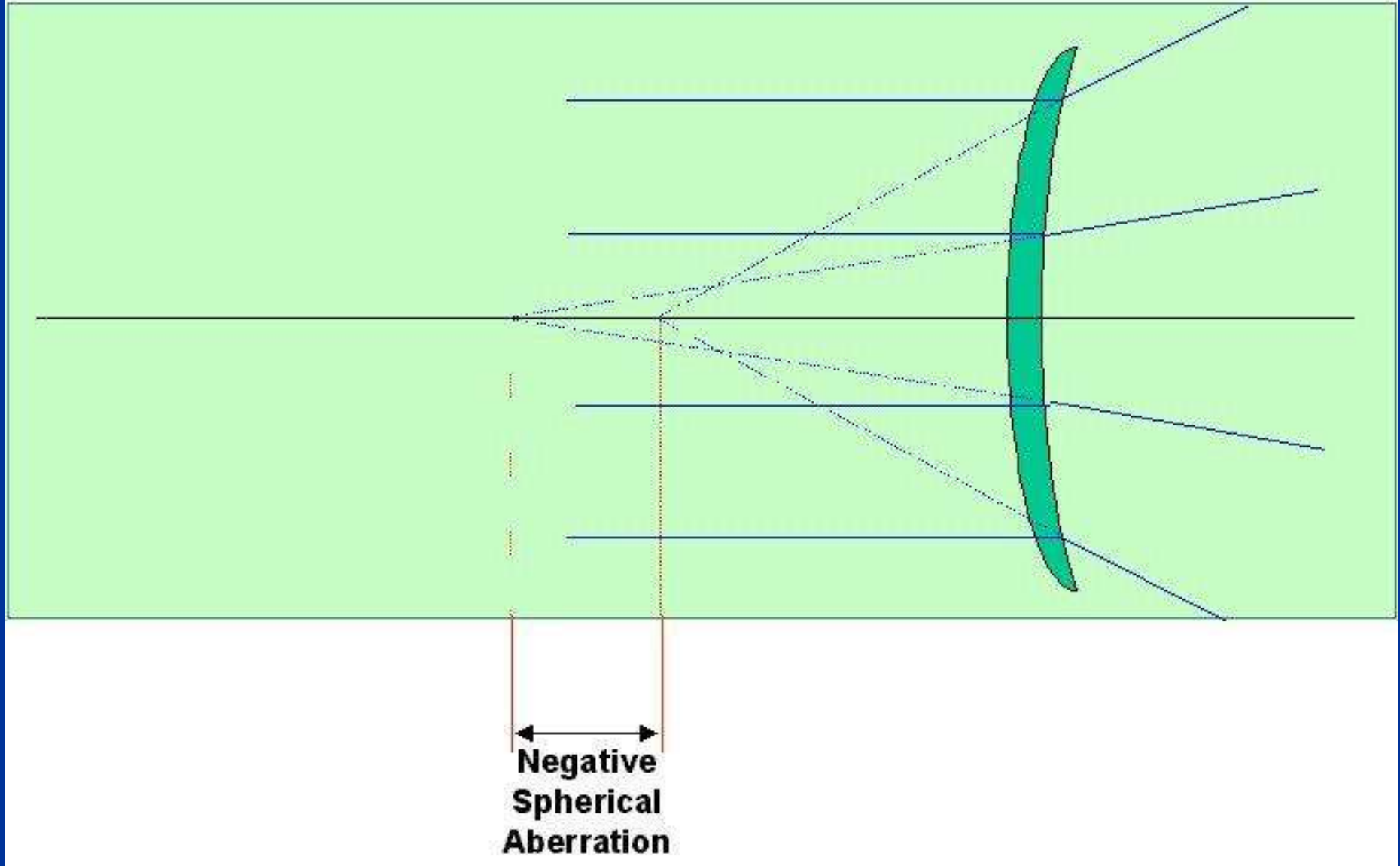
# Plus Power Lens with Spherical Aberration



**As light passes through more and more peripheral parts of the lens, the imaged produced is a focal point closer and closer to the lens**



# Minus Power Lens with Spherical Aberration



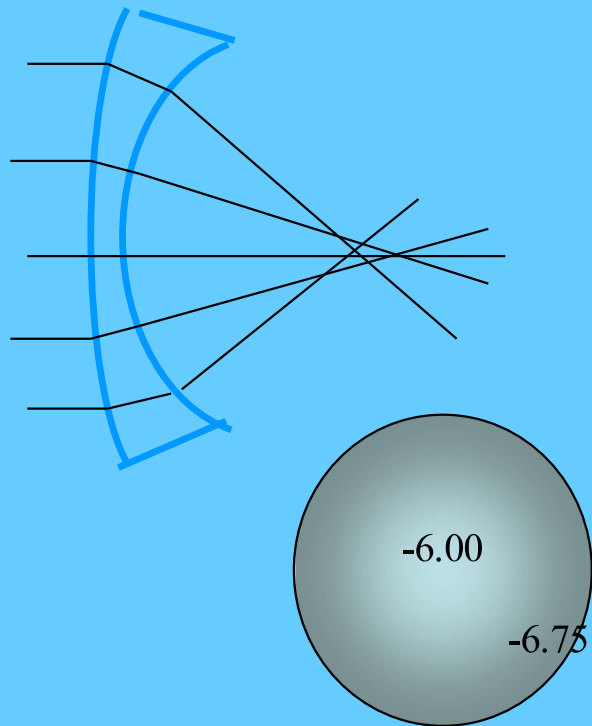
In a minus lens the light rays passing through the periphery of the lens are also focused closer to the lens

# **Correction of Spherical Aberration**

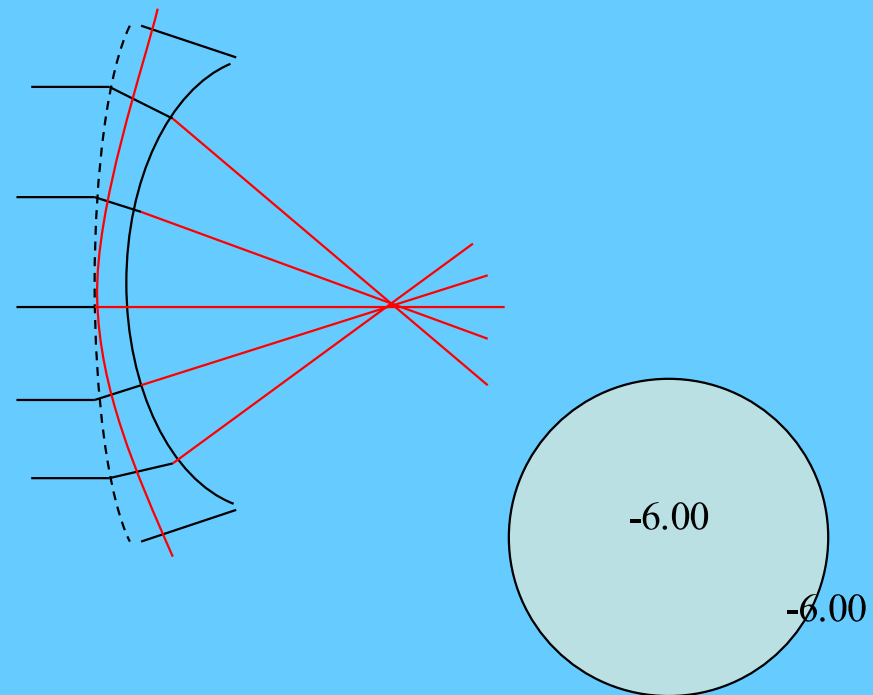
- **To reduce spherical aberration in a plus lens decrease the curve on the front surface (aspheric)**
- **To reduce spherical aberration in a minus lens increase the curve on the front surface (aspheric)**

# Aspheric optics correct the aberrations of spherical lenses

Spherical



Aspheric





# With the Rule Astigmatism

- Horizontal meridian is least curved
- Vertical meridian is most curved

K's      42.00@180 / 43.00@90

Rx          -3.00 -1.00 x 180

# EyeSys

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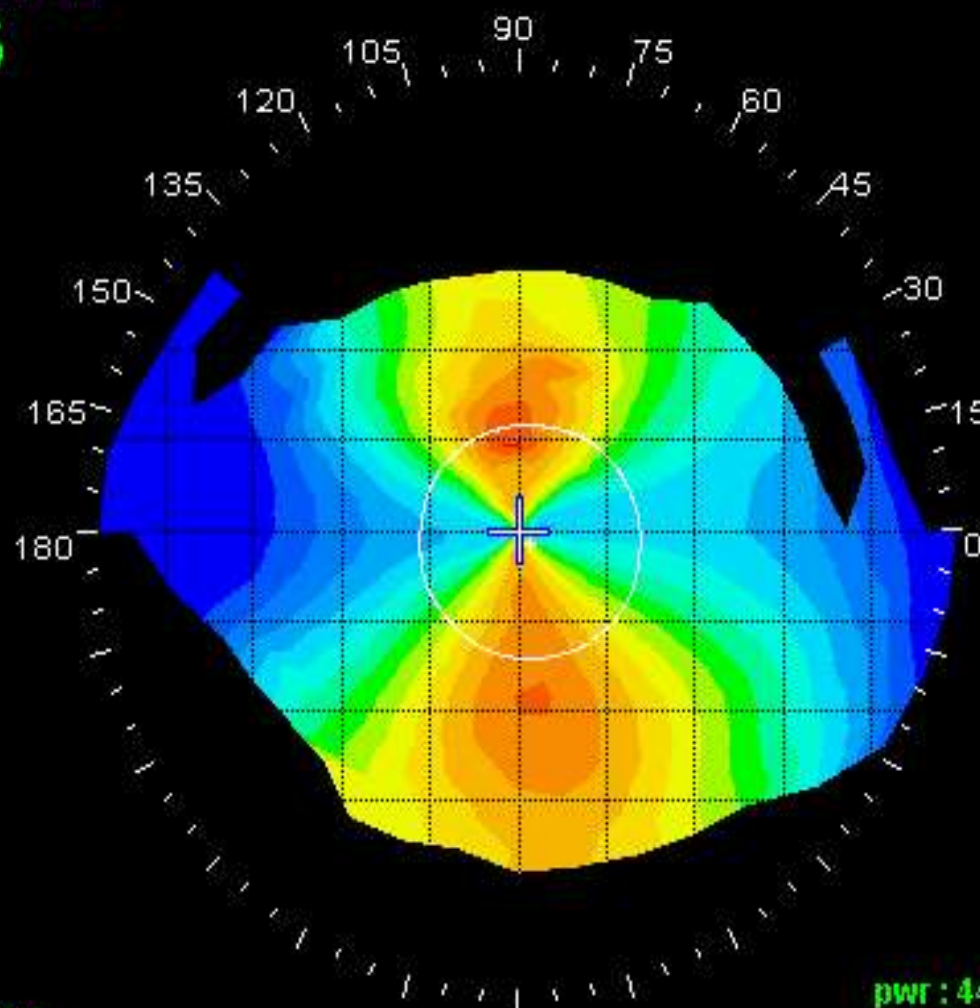
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Axial Map

47.50  
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SIM K's:

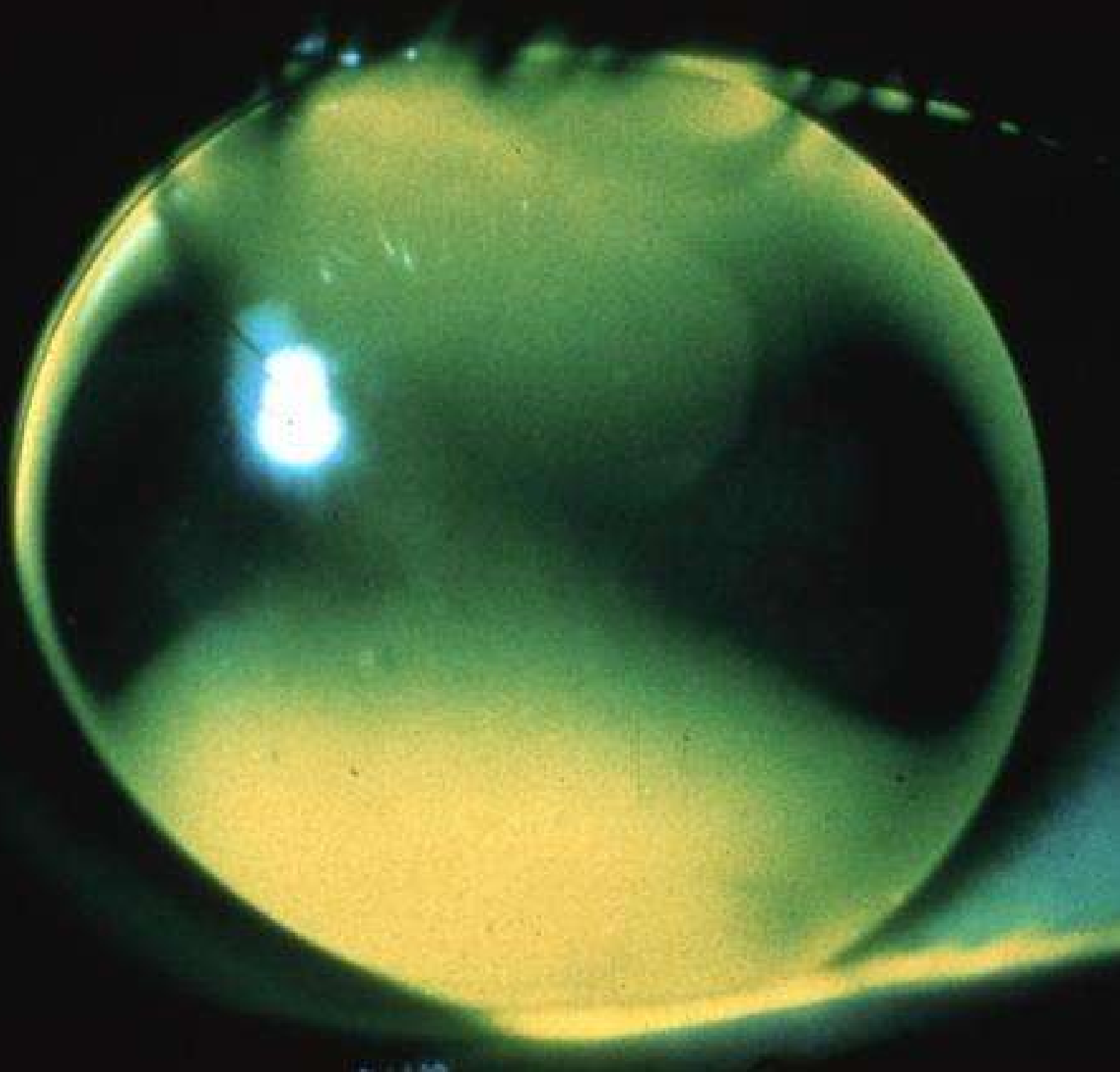
46.68D (7.23) @ 90°

42.08D (8.02) @ 0°

dk 4.60D (0.79)

pwr : 44.11D  
rad : 7.65mm  
dis : 0.00mm  
axis: 0°

Hyperopic Astigmatism Man Rx + 8.75 -4.00 x 005



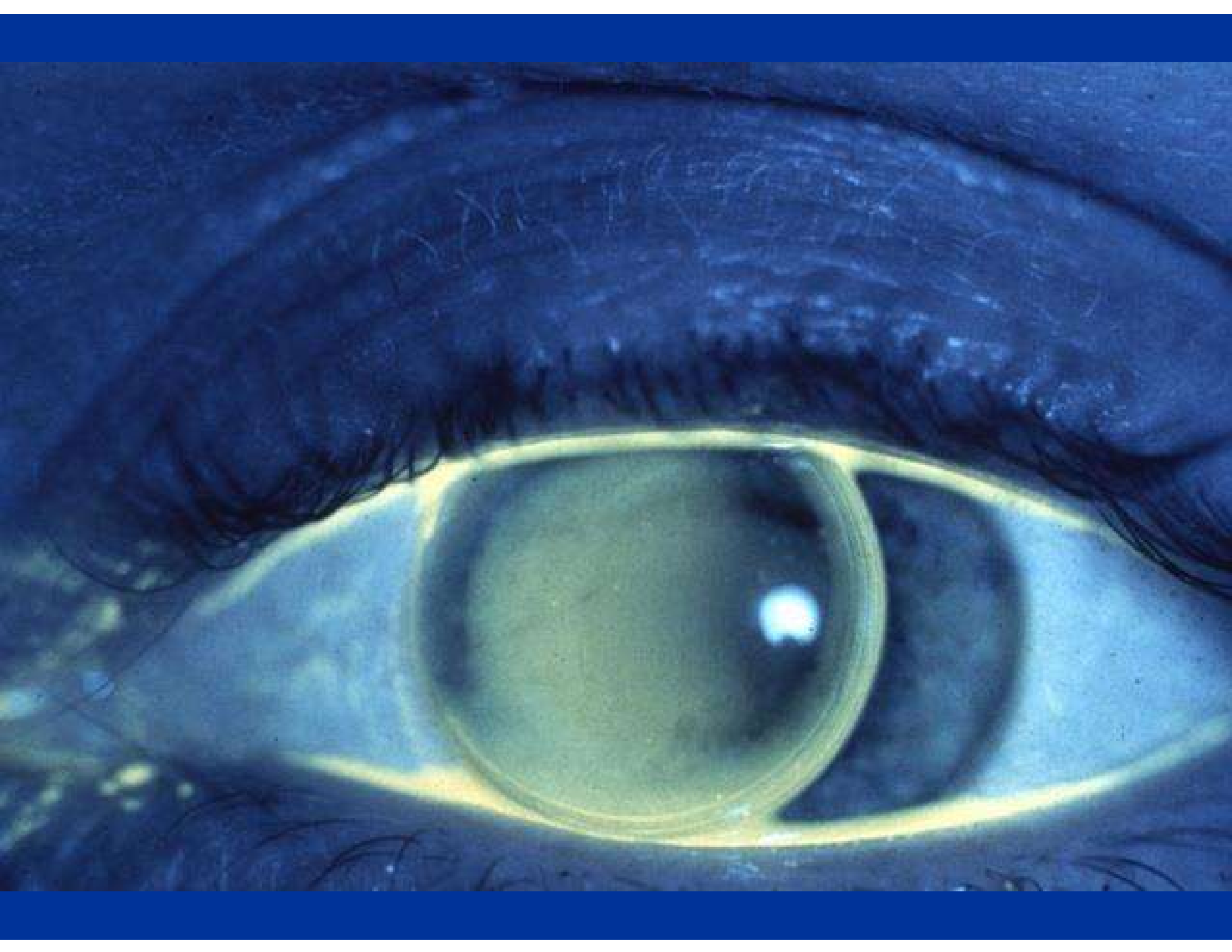


# Against the Rule Astigmatism

- Horizontal meridian is most curved
- Vertical meridian is least curve

K's 44.00@180 / 42.00@90

Rx -3.00-2.00X90

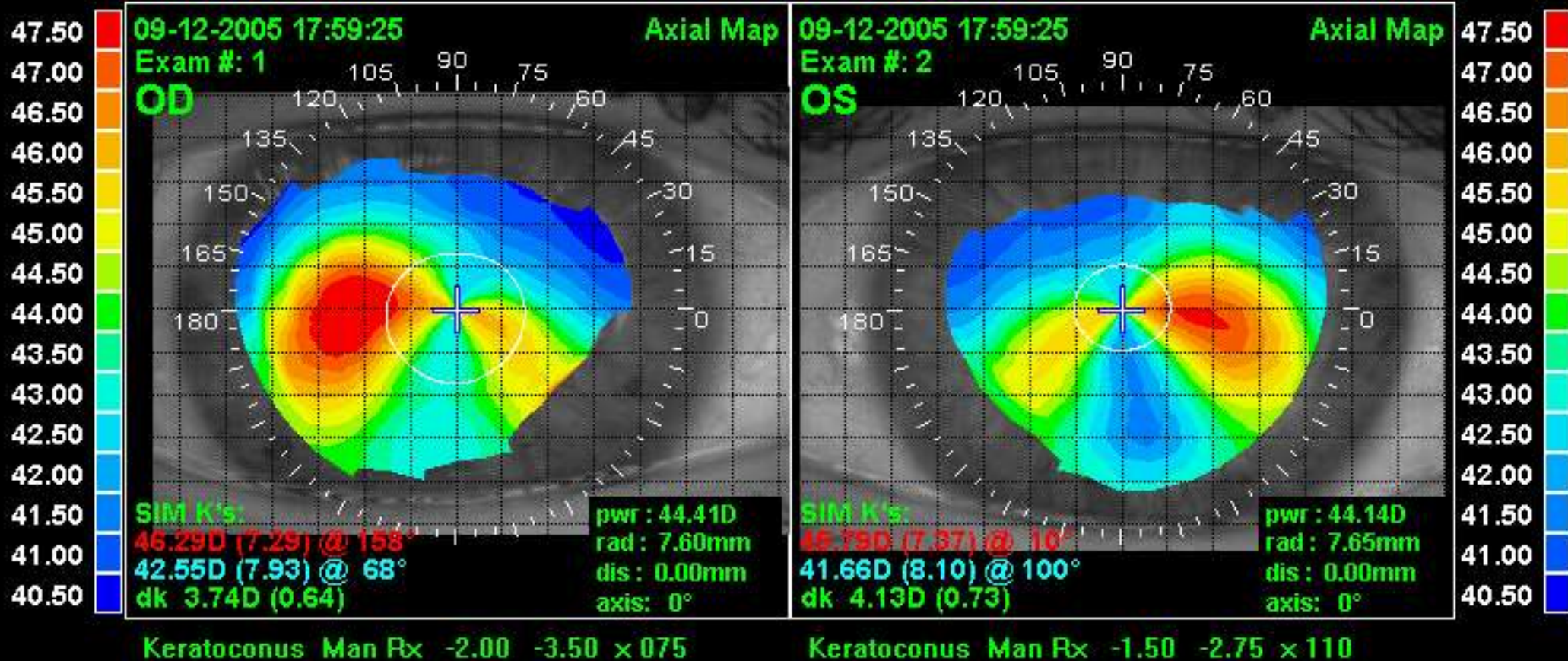


# Irregular Astigmatism

- Principle meridians are not perpendicular
- In certain cases they are distorted
- E.g. keratoconus, trauma, post surgical
- K's 42.00@10 / 44.00@70  
2+ Distortion  
Rx -3.00-3.50x15 20/30

# EyeSys

New York Optometric  
Janovsky

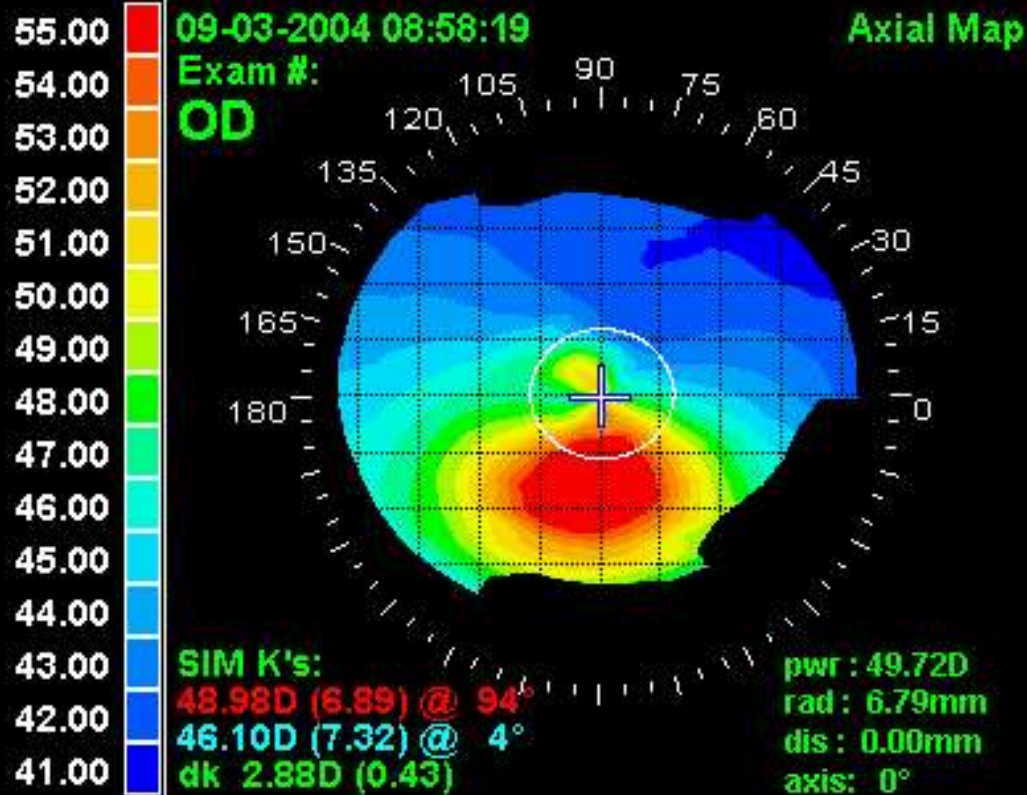




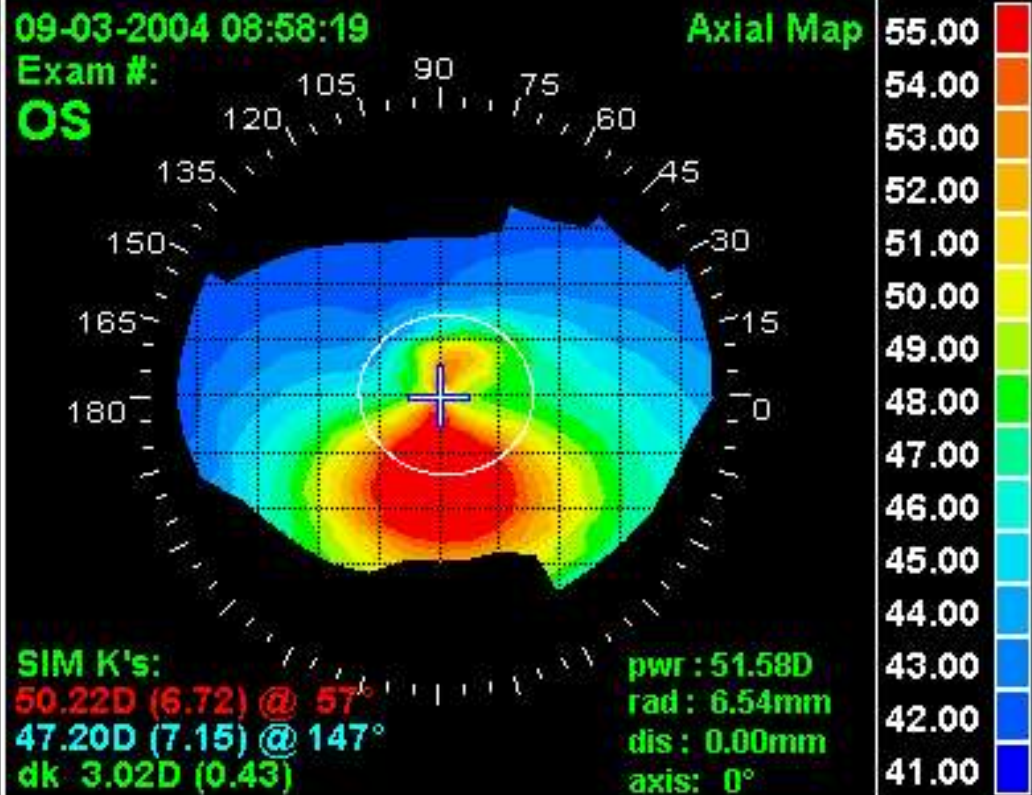
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Geiss

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Keratoconus



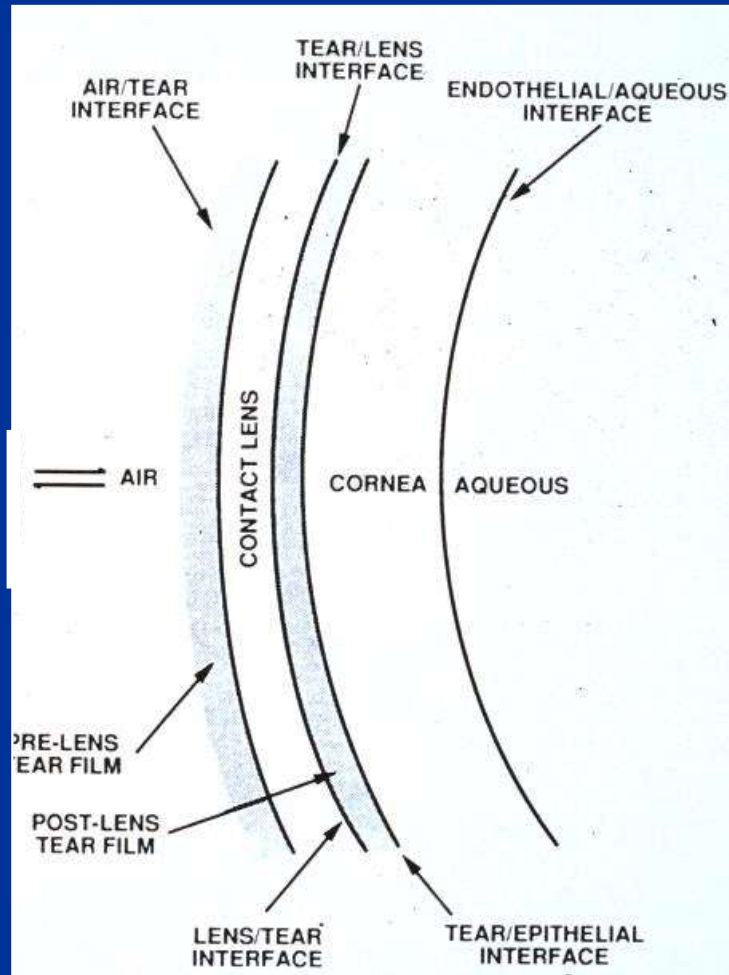
Keratoconus

# GP Lens Power Rules

- 1) Put the Rx in minus cylinder
- 2) Vertex any power greater than  $\pm 4.00\text{D}$
- 3) If the amount of refractive cylinder is similar to the amount of corneal cylinder, the rigidity of the lens will correct the astigmatism
- 4) Determine the tear lens created between the corneal surface and the base curve of the lens

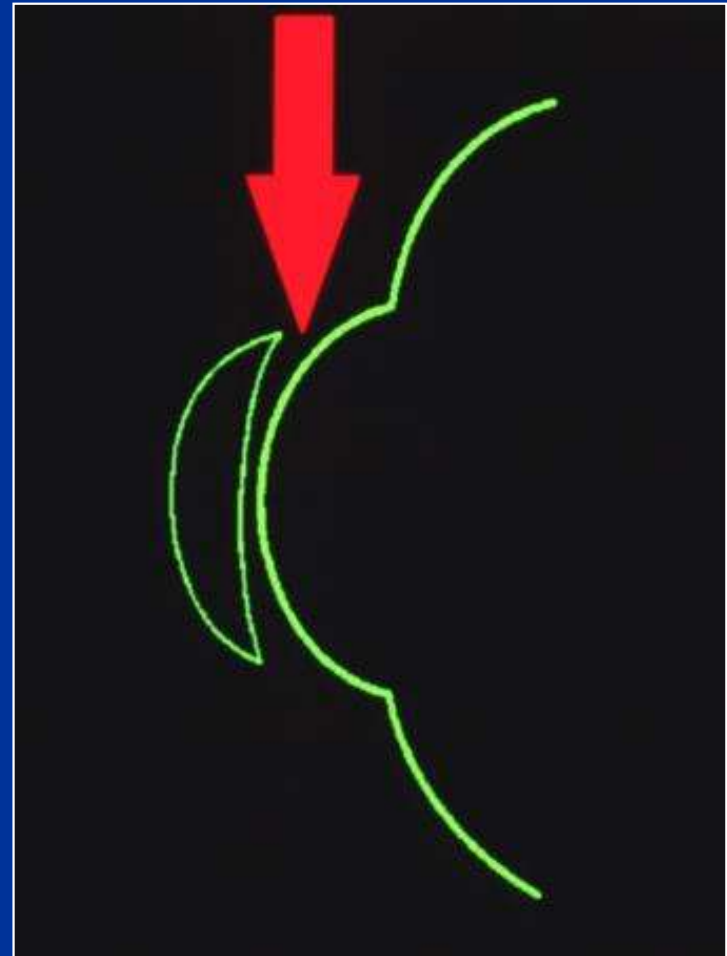
# GP Lens Power

A tear lens that is formed between the lens and the cornea will have no power if the base curve parallels the flattest meridian



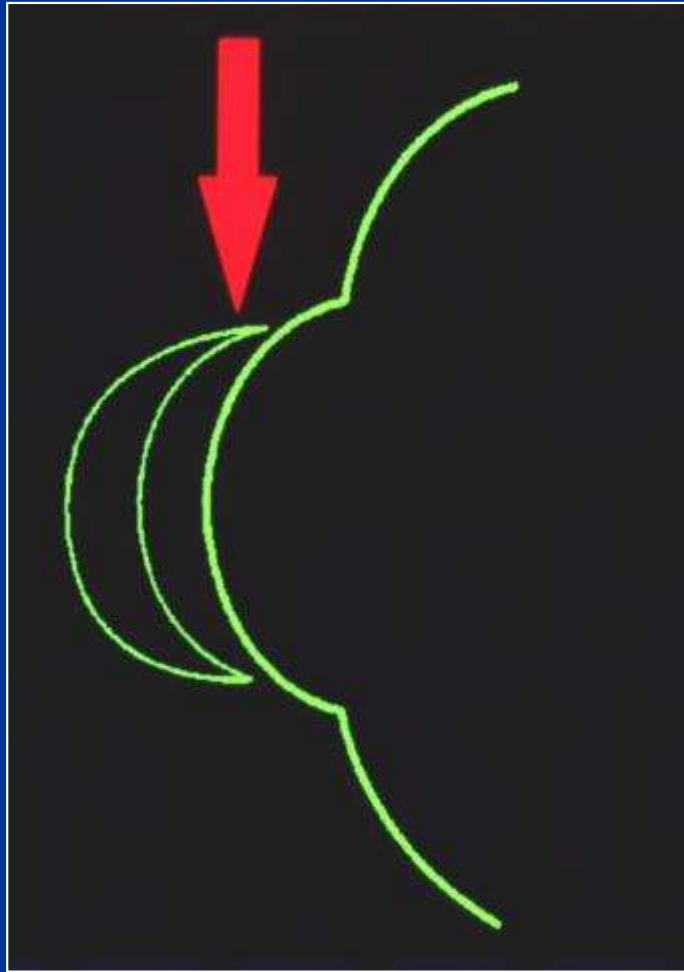
# GP Lens Power

**A minus tear lens  
is created when  
the base curve  
of the contact  
lens is fit flatter  
than the flattest  
“K” reading**





# GP Lens Power



A plus tear lens is created when the base curve of the contact lens is fit steeper than the flattest “K” reading

# GP Lens Power

## “SAM”

When a rigid lens is fit *steep*, add the same amount of *minus* to compensate for the plus tear lens

## “FAP”

When a rigid lens is fit *flat*, add the same amount of *plus* to compensate for the minus tear lens

# **“SAM”**

## **Steep Add Minus**

### **EXAMPLE:**

<b>Flat “K”</b>	<b>43.00 D</b>
<b>Base Curve</b>	<b>43.25 D</b>
<b>Tear Lens Created</b>	<b>+0.25 D</b>
<b>Patient Rx</b>	<b>-4.50 -1.00 cx 180</b>
<b>Add to Compensate</b>	<b>-0.25 D</b>
<b>Final Lens Power</b>	<b>-4.75 D</b>

# **“FAP”**

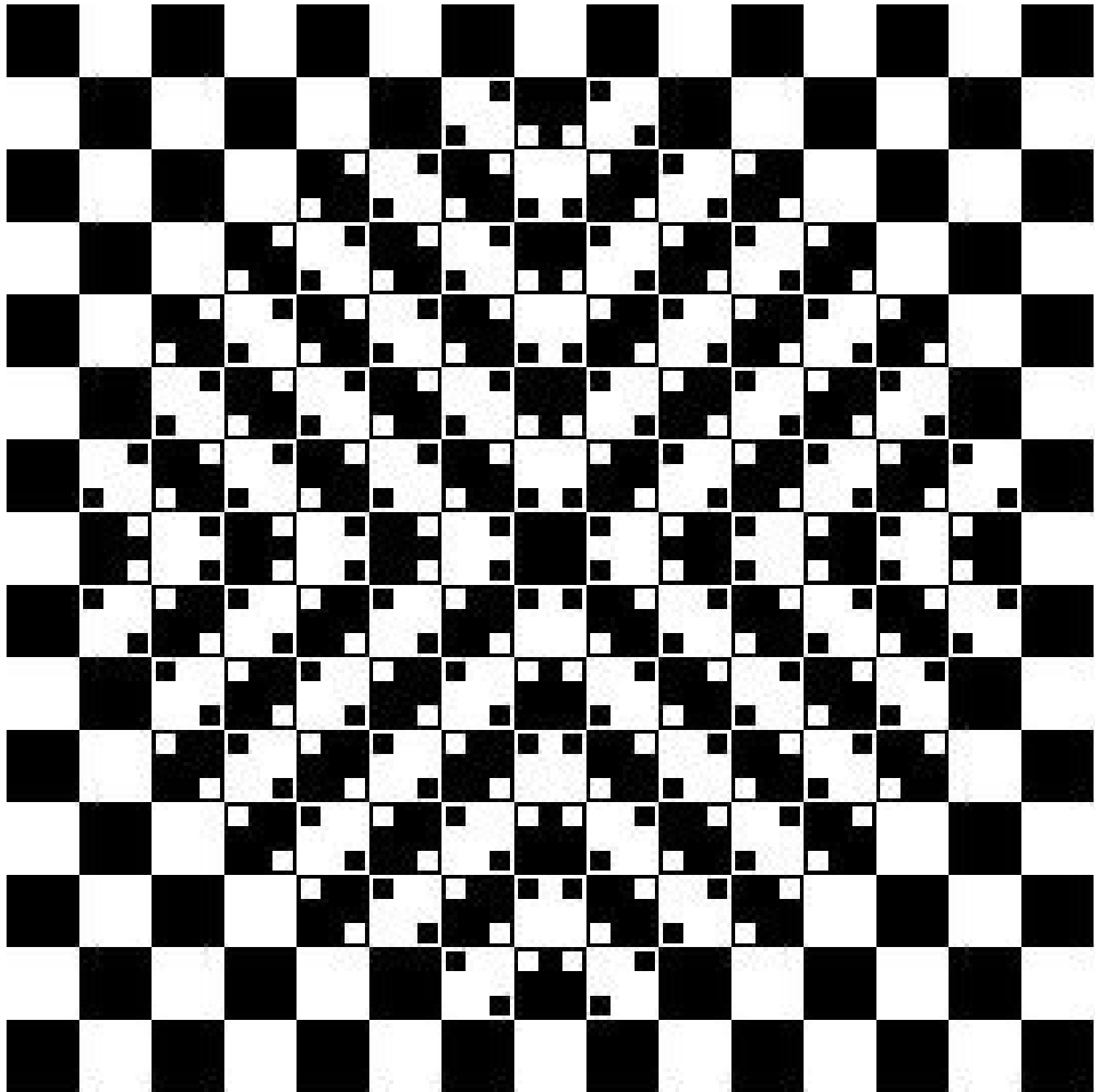
## **Flat Add Plus**

### **EXAMPLE:**

<b>Flat “K”</b>	<b>43.00 D</b>
<b>Base Curve</b>	<b>42.50 D</b>
<b>Tear Lens Created</b>	<b>-0.50 D</b>
<b>Patient Rx</b>	<b>-4.50 -1.00 cx 180</b>
<b>Add to Compensate</b>	<b>+0.50 D</b>
<b>Final Lens Power</b>	<b>-4.00 D</b>



"A bulge"



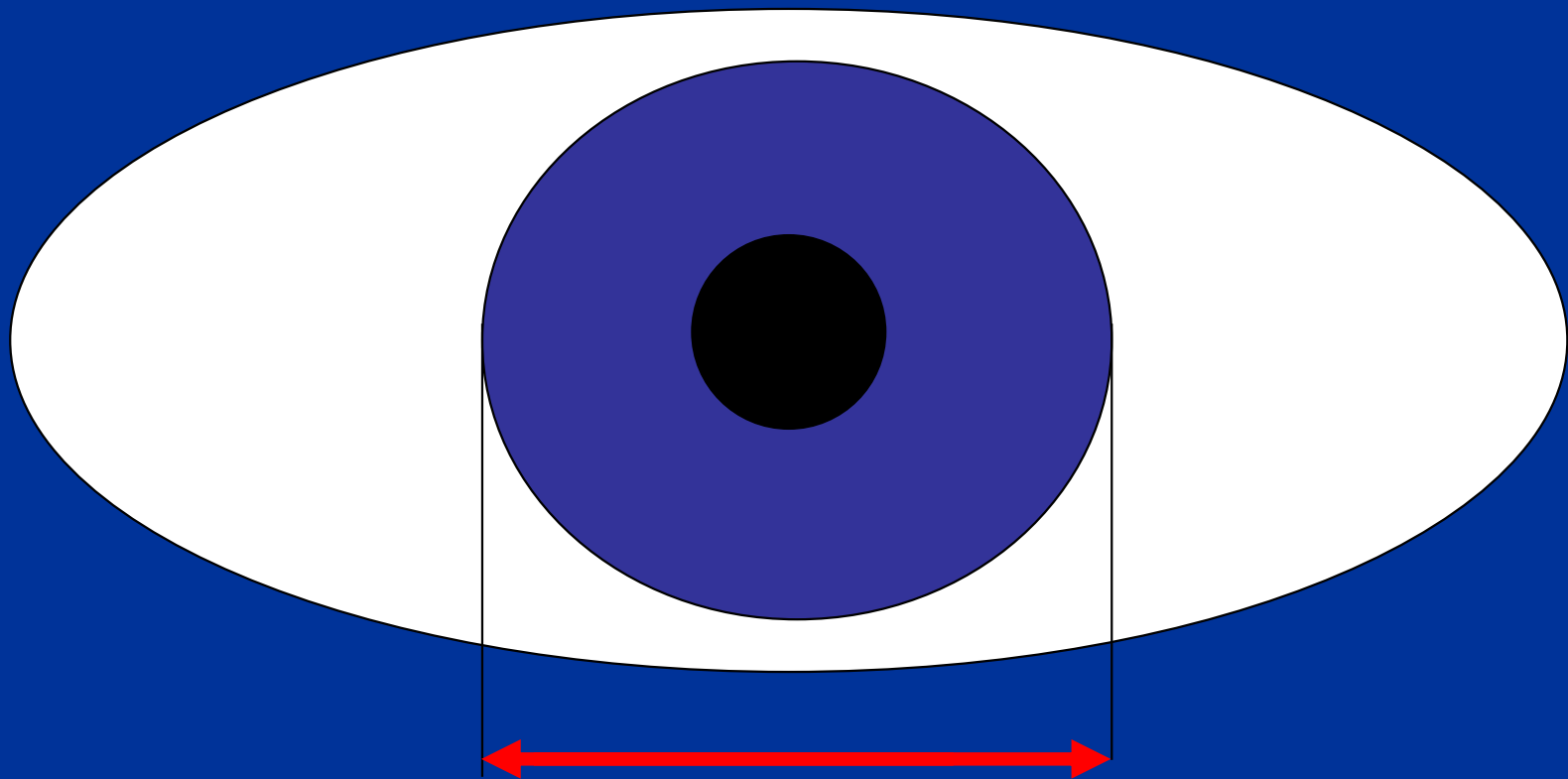
# Corneal Curvature

- Keratometry reading “K’s”
- Corneal mapping systems
- Practitioners use diopters  
44.00/45.00
- Manufacturers use metric radius of curvature  
7.67 / 7.50  
“base curve”



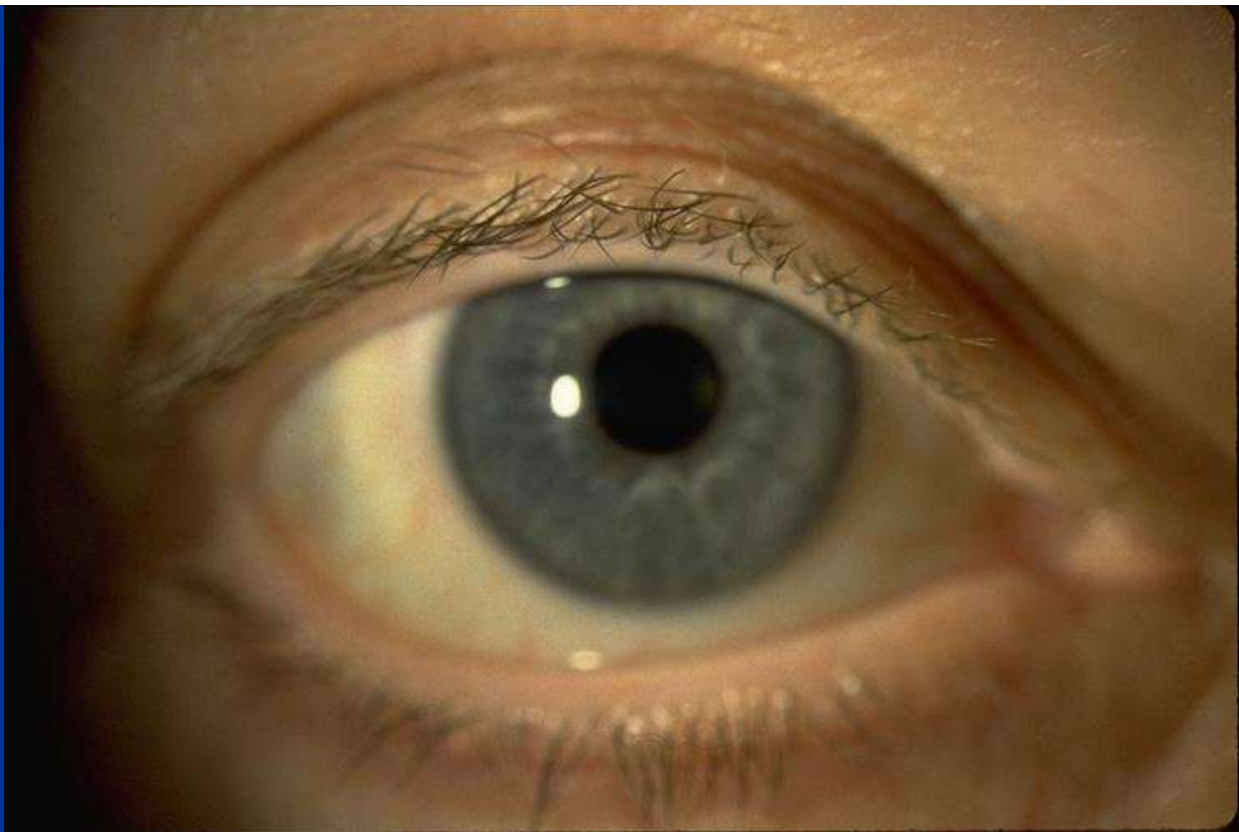
# HVID

## Horizontal Visible Iris Diameter



11.5 mm

# Eye Lid Anatomy



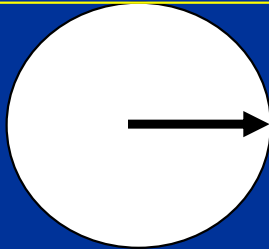


# GP DESIGN OPTIONS

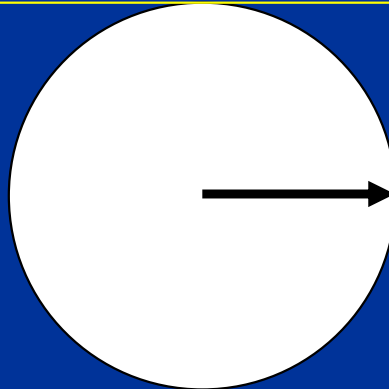
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- SPHERICAL
- ASPHERIC
- FRONT SURFACE TORIC
- BACK / BITORIC TORIC
- BIFOCALS/MULTIFOCALS
- REVERSE GEOMETRY
- SCLERAL

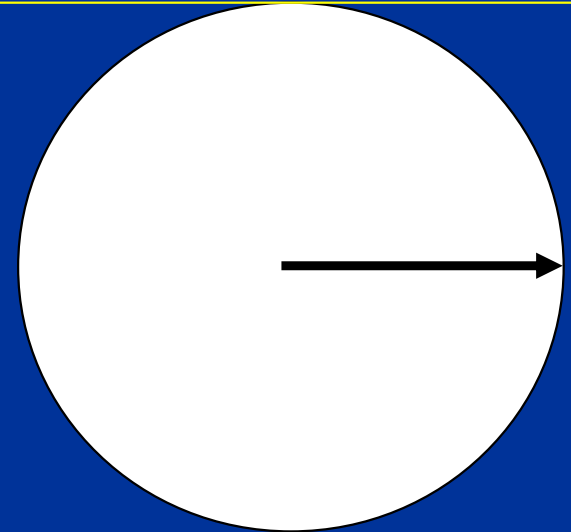
# Radius of Curvature



45.00 = 7.5 mm



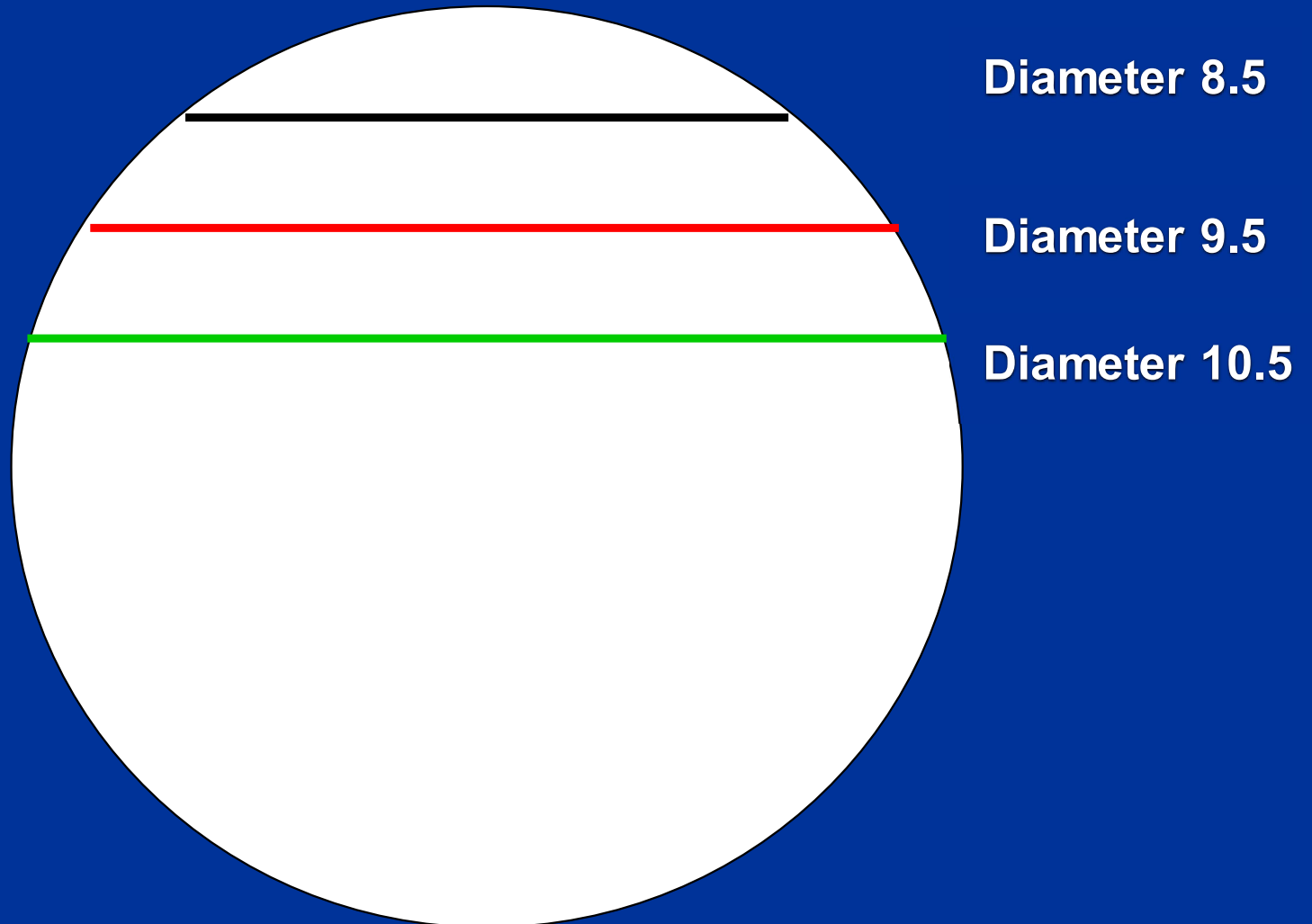
43.00 = 7.85 mm



39.25 = 8.6 mm

Diopter to millimeter

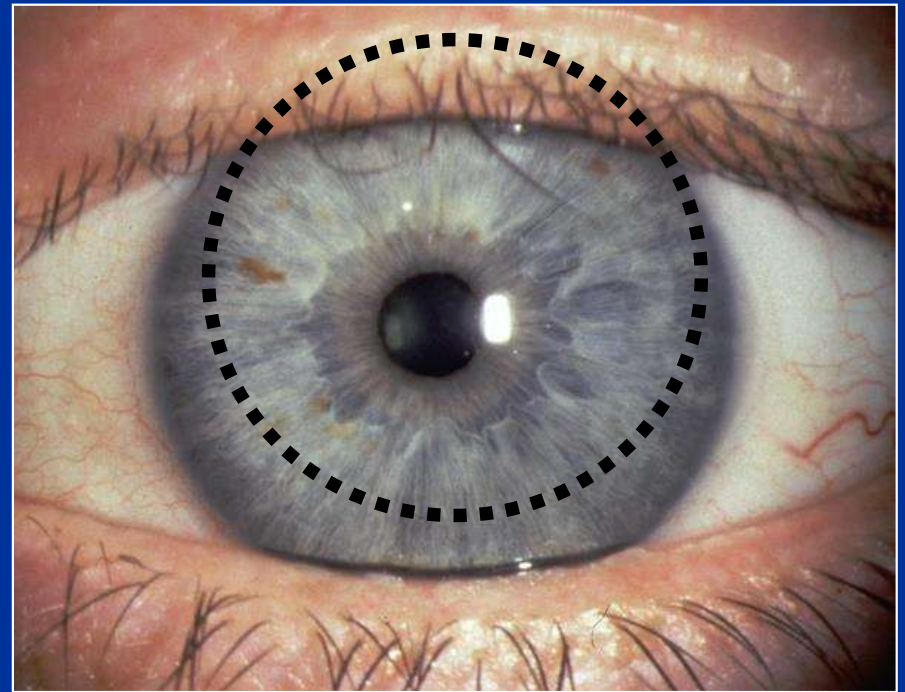
# Lens Diameter



Base Curve = 7.80 / 43.50

# Lid Position

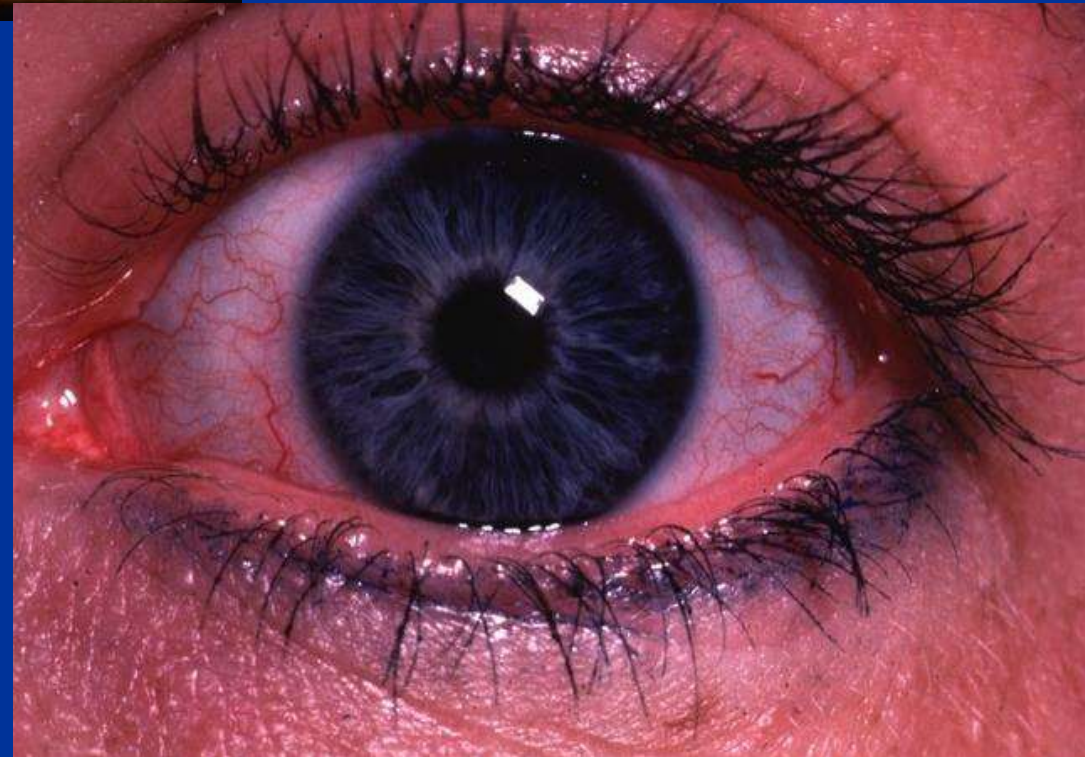
If the upper lid  
positions on  
the superior  
cornea, fit the  
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alignment  
philosophy



# Eye Lid Anatomy

- Apical alignment  
Upper lid attachment

- Apical clearance  
Intrapalpebral

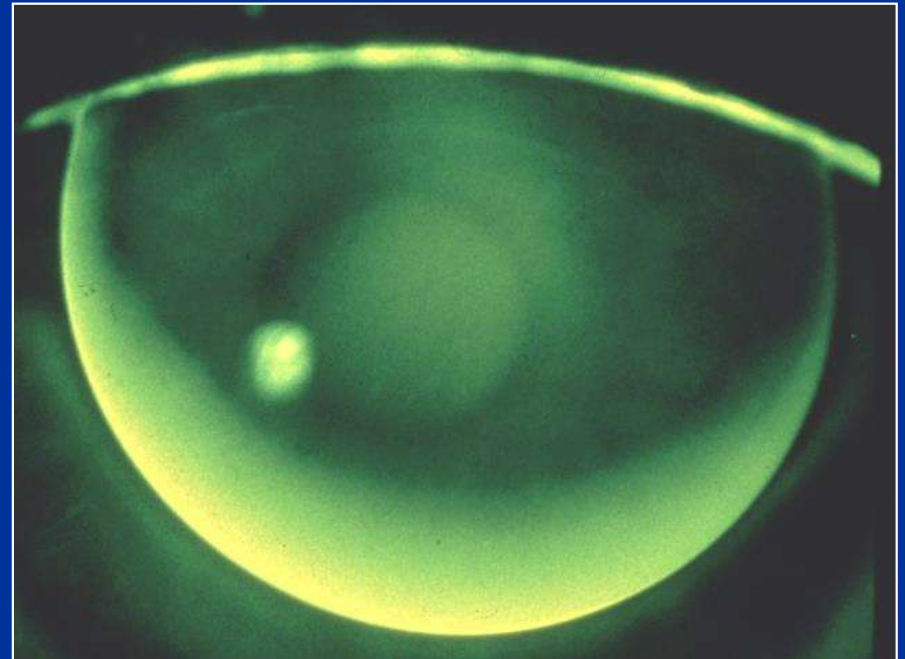




# Apical Alignment Fitting

## *Base Curve Radius*

To achieve alignment with the cornea, the base curve chosen must be flatter than the flattest corneal reading



# Apical Alignment Fitting

## *Base Curve Radius*



Same base curve...



...results in areas of touch



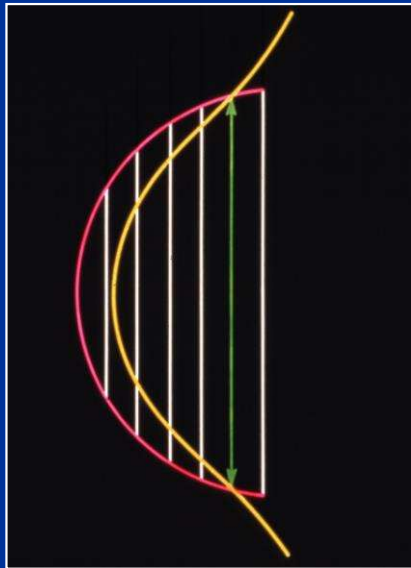
A flatter base curve...



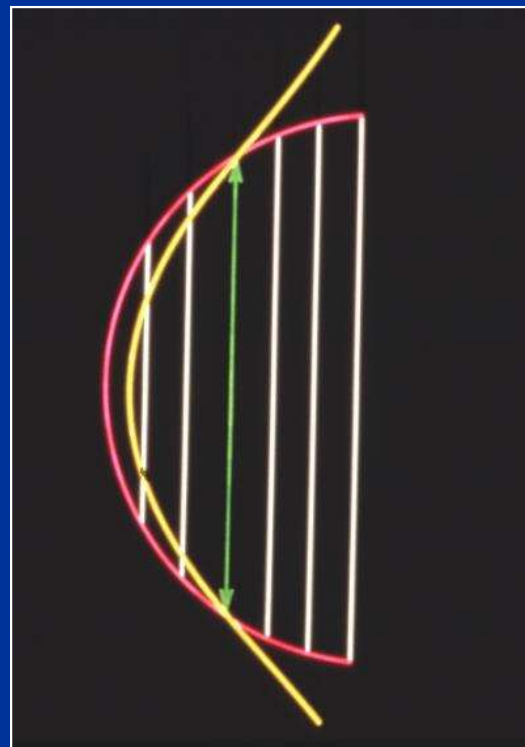
...results in alignment

# Apical Alignment Fitting

## *Optic Zone Diameter*



Reducing the optic zone diameter flattens the lens to cornea relationship



The optic zone diameter will impact the alignment of the base curve to the cornea

# Apical Alignment Fitting

## *Optic Zone Diameter*

One method of determining the optic zone diameter is to choose one that is equal to the radius of curvature of the base curve in millimeters

Example:

Base curve radius 45.00 D = 7.5 mm

Optic zone diameter = 7.5 mm

# **Apical Alignment Fitting**

## ***Secondary Curve Radius***

**Choose a secondary curve radius 1.0 mm flatter than the optic zone radius of curvature**

**Example:**

**Base curve radius = 7.5 mm**

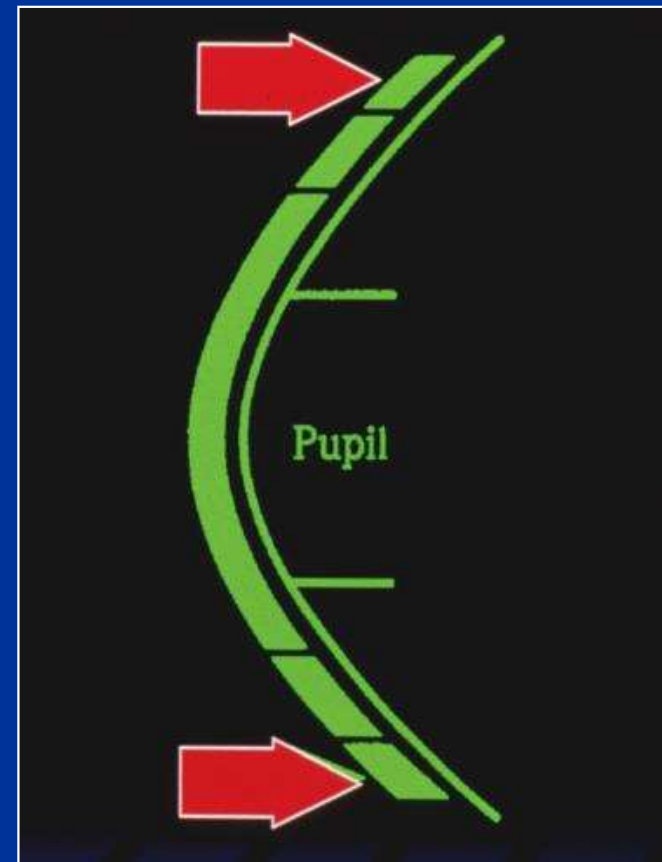
**Secondary curve radius = 8.5 mm**



# Apical Alignment Fitting

## *Peripheral Curve Radius*

Consider a standard  
peripheral curve  
radius of 12.25 mm at  
0.4 mm width



# **Apical Alignment Fitting**

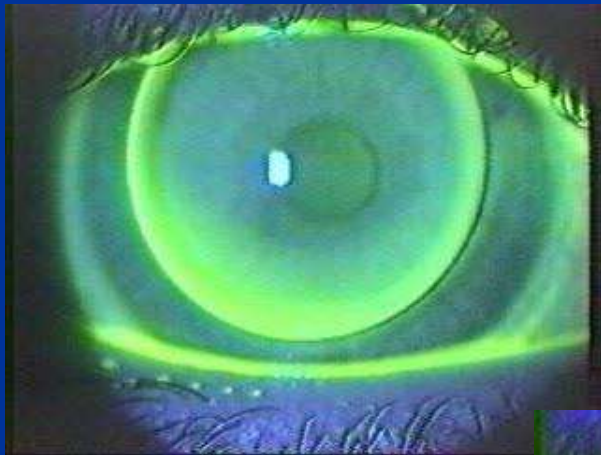
## ***Overall Diameter***

**Consider an overall diameter 2.3 mm smaller than the HVID**

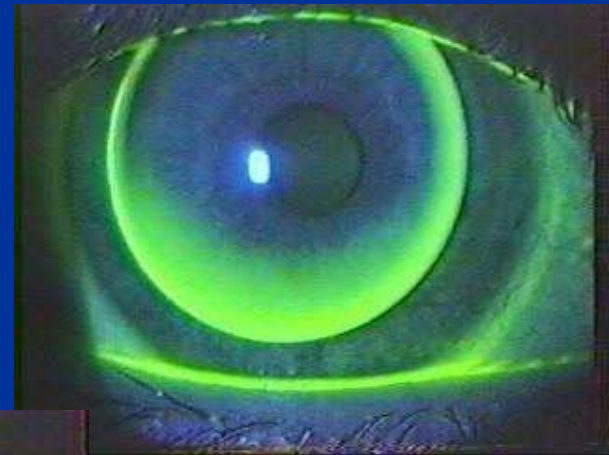
**Example:**

**HVID = 11.5 mm**

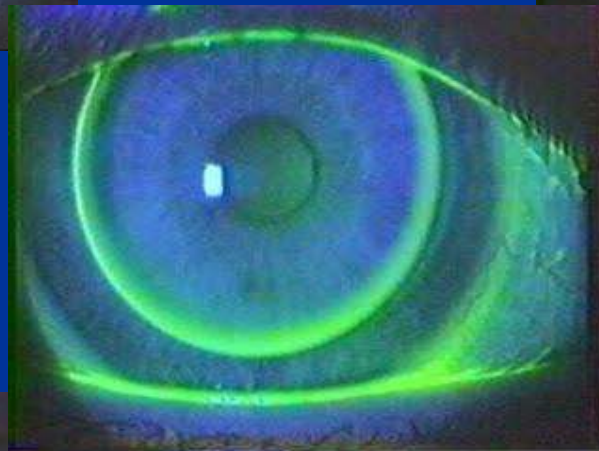
**Overall diameter  $(11.5 \text{ mm} - 2.3 \text{ mm}) = 9.2 \text{ mm}$**



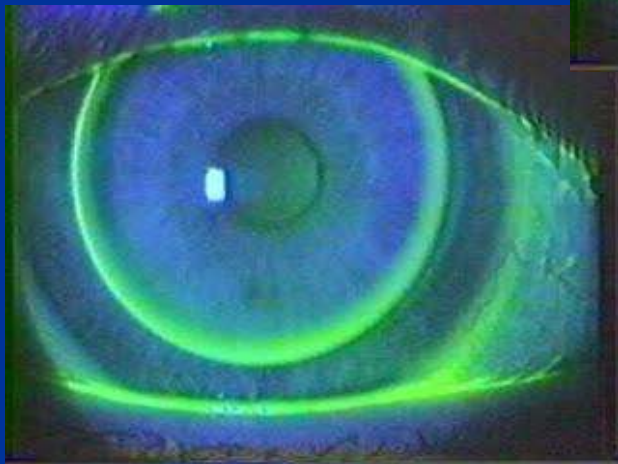
**1.50D Flat**



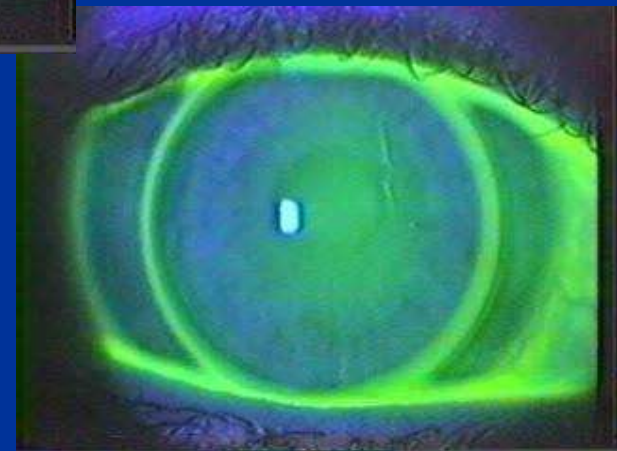
**1.00D Flat**



**.50D Flat**

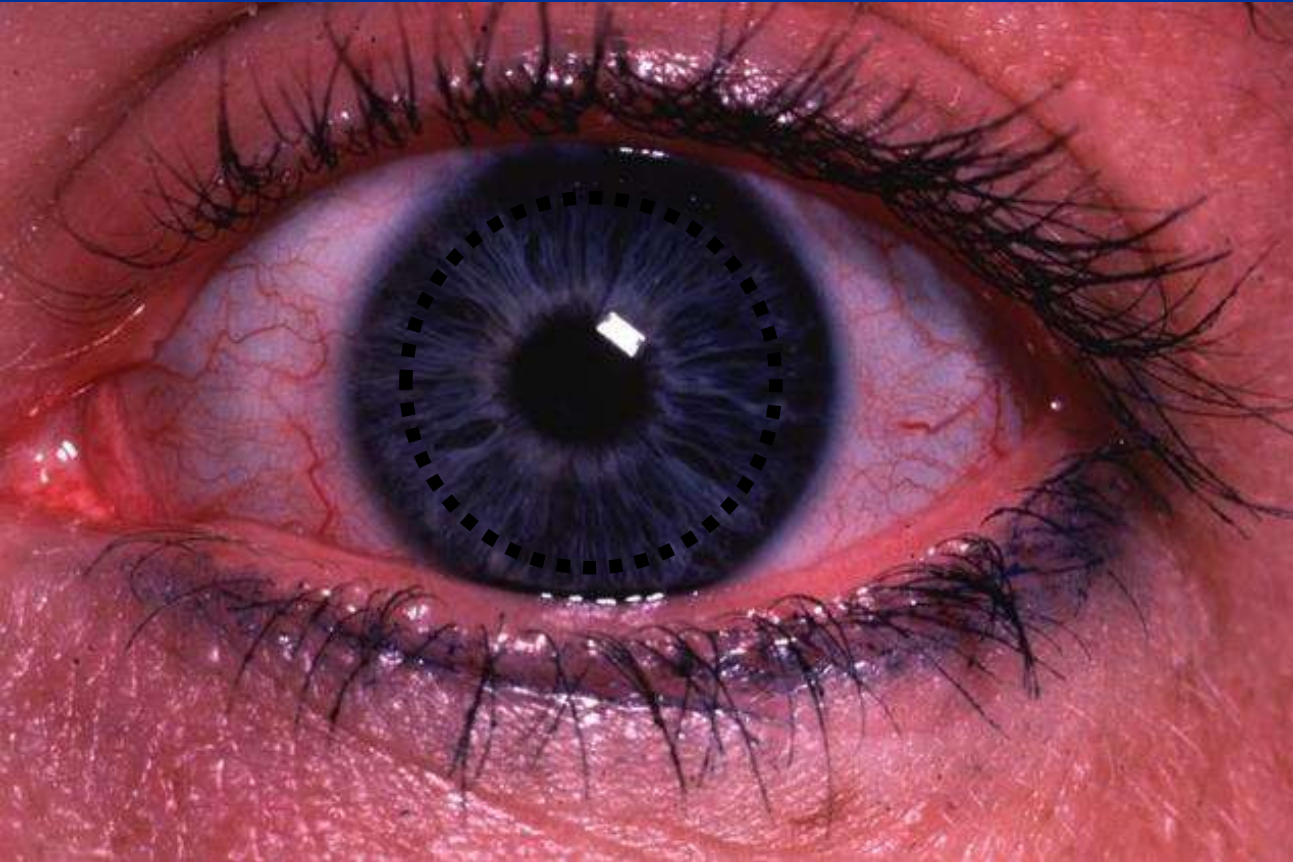


**On K**



**1.00D Steep**

# Lid Position



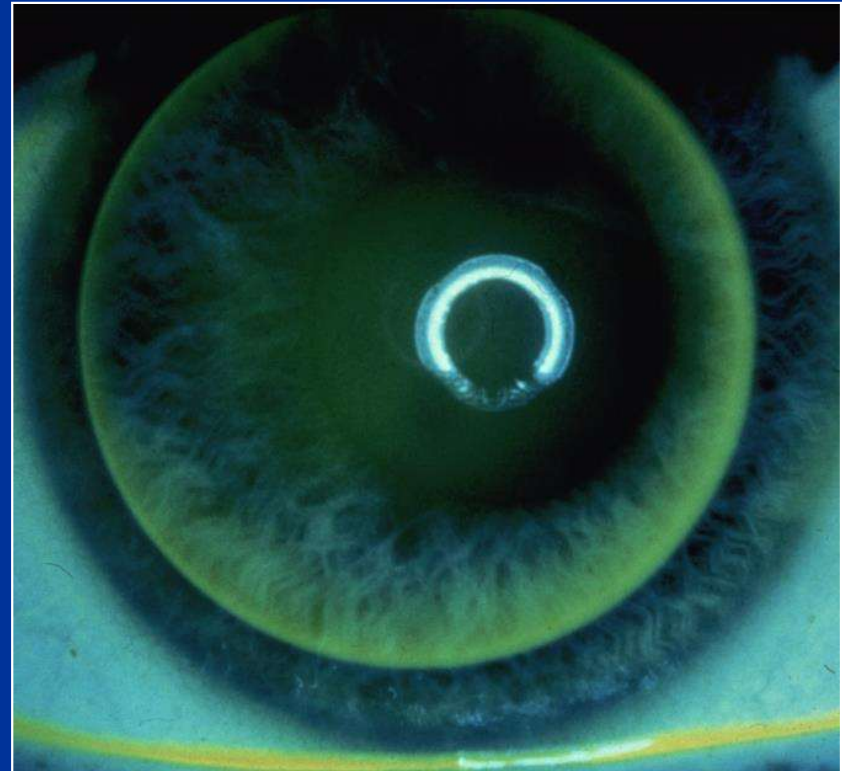
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# Apical Clearance Fitting

## *Base Curve Radius*

To position the lens between the lids, the base curve chosen must be steeper than the flattest corneal reading





# Apical Clearance Fitting

## Base Curve Radius

*The amount of corneal cylinder determines the base curve radius*

### Corneal Cylinder

0.00 to 0.75 D

0.87 to 1.50 D

1.62 to 2.50 D

2.62 to 3.50 D

### Base Curve Radius

0.25 D steeper than “K”

0.50 D steeper than “K”

0.75 D steeper than “K”

1.00 D steeper than “K”

# Apical Clearance Fitting

## *Overall Diameter*

### Corneal Diameter

### Overall Lens Diameter

12 mm or larger

9.0 mm

11.0 to 11.5 mm

8.5 mm

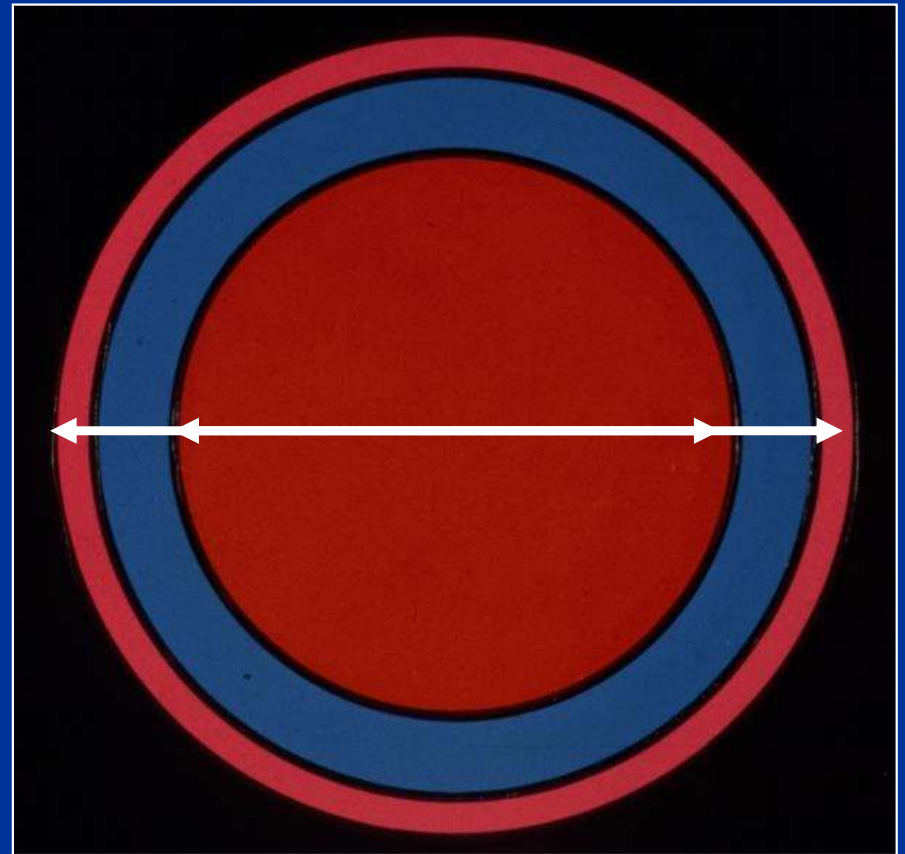
10.5 or smaller

8.0 mm

# Apical Clearance Fitting

## *Optic Zone Diameter*

The optic zone diameter will be 1.2 mm smaller than the overall diameter



# Toric Designs

- Front surface
- Back surface
- Back surface toric
- Toric peripheral

# Front Surface Toric Designs

- Prism
- Truncation
- Thinzones “slab off “
- Peri-ballast



# Back Surface Cylinder

- Toric back surface/spherical front
- Refractive astigmatism is 40% greater than corneal
- K' 42.000@180 / 45.00@90
- Rx -2.00-4.25 x 180

# Bi-Toric Designs

- Toric curves on both surfaces
- 40% more cylinder is induced
- Extra cylinder is neutralized by toric front surface
- K's 42.00@180 / 46.00@90
- Rx -1.00-4.00 x 180

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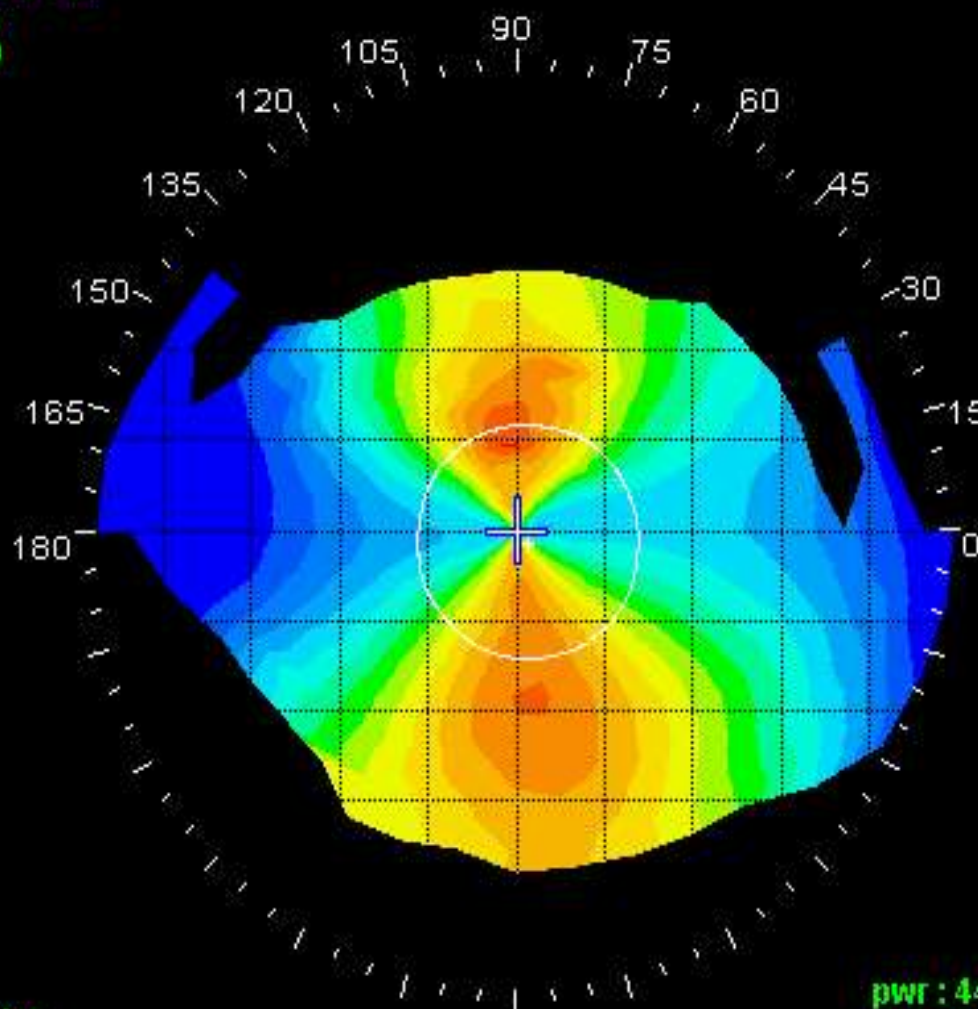
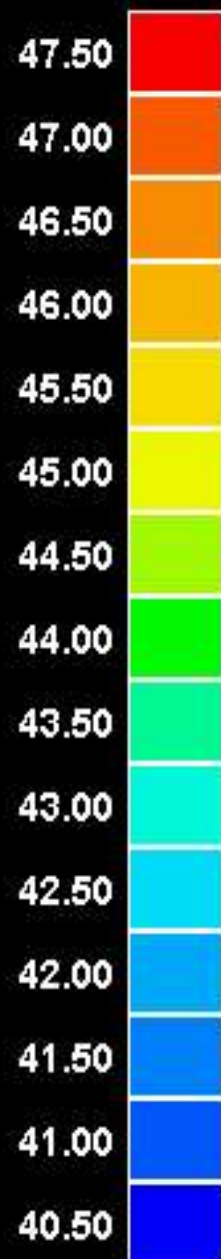
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pwr : 44.11D  
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Hyperopic Astigmatism Man Rx + 8.75 -4.00 x 005

# Bi-Toric Saddle Fit

- Less than 2.50 corneal cylinder
- Fit on K, diameter 8.2-8.8mm
- Rx – 2.00 – 3.00 X 180  
K's 45.00@180 / 47.50@90
- BC 45.00/47.50 ( 7.50 / 7.10 )  
CL Rx. -2.00 / -4.75      8.8

# Low Toric Simulation

- Fit on flat K horizontal meridian
- Fit .50-1.25 flatter than steep vertical meridian
- Greater corneal toricity = flatter vertical curve
- Rx -2.00 - 4.25 x 180  
K's 42.00@180 / 46.00 @90  
BC 42.00 / 45.25  
Rx -2.00 / -5.75

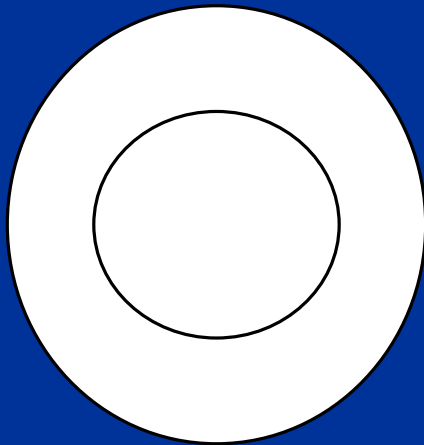


# Back Surface Cylinder

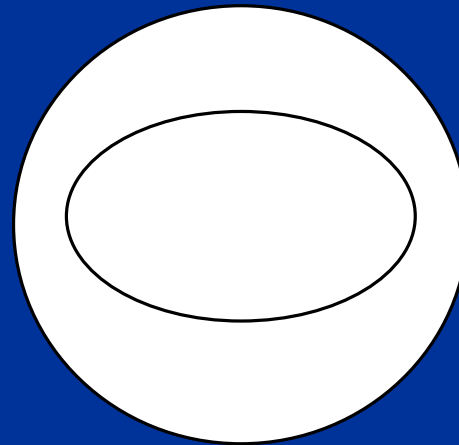
- Toric back surface / spherical front
- Refractive astigmatism is 40% greater than corneal
- K' 42.000@180 / 45.00@90
- Rx -2.00-4.25 x 180

# Toric Peripheral Curves

- Produce  
.circular OZ



Spherical PC's  
produce  
Oval O Z



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**“Toric RGP lens Design”**

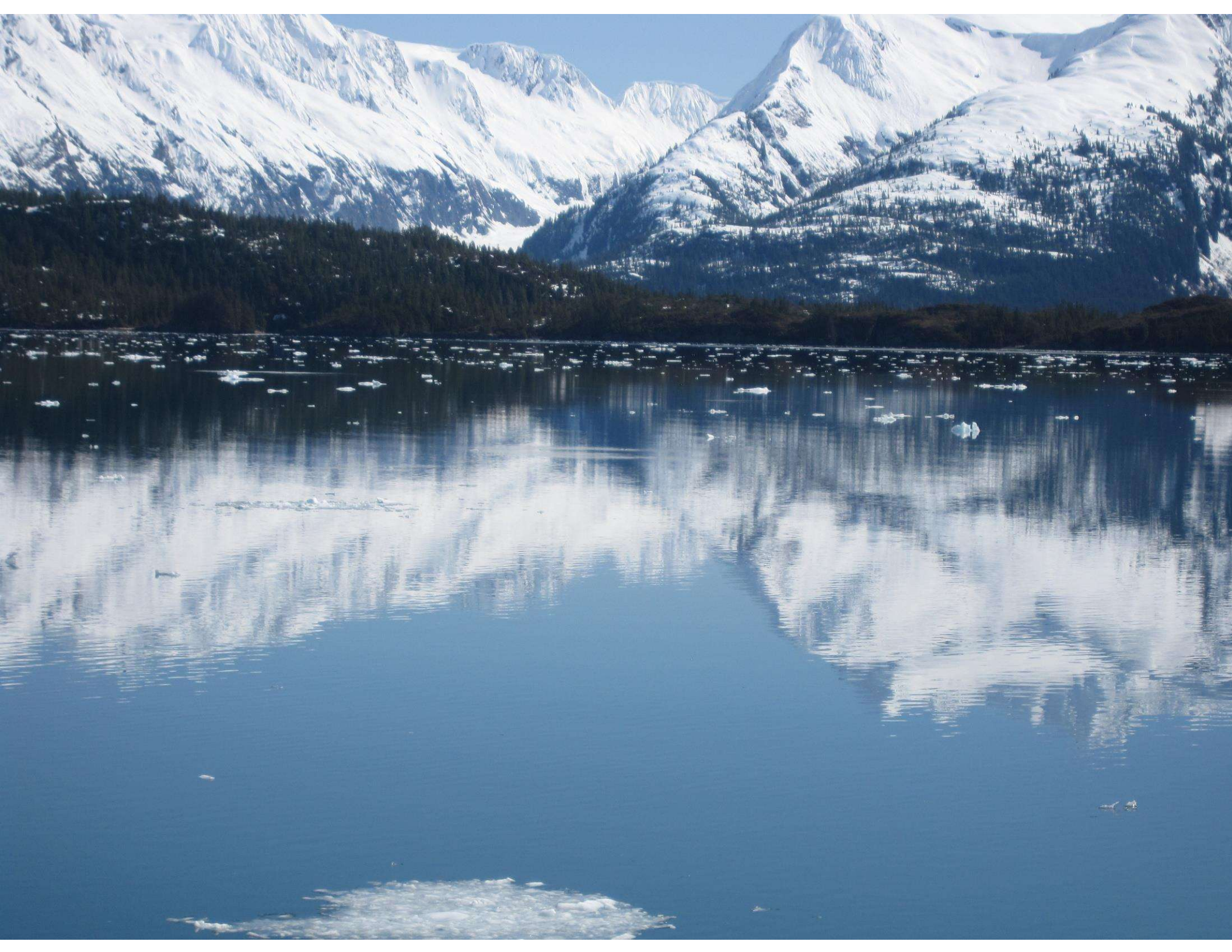
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**Toric Soft Lenses Advanced**

**Contact Lens Manual**

**Volume II Contact Lens**

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# Bi-Toric

- K's 42.00@180 / 46.00@90
- Rx -1.00-4.00 x 180
- Design

# Peripheral Curves

- Spherical less than 3.00 cylinder
- Toric greater than 3.00 cylinder



# **Spherical Power Effect Bitorics (SPE)**

- Described by Saver 1963
- Toric back curve plus cylinder front
- Plus cyl. same amount and axis as induced back cyl.
- $45.00/47.00 = 7.50/7.18 \quad \text{PI/-2.00}$
- $45.00/48.00 = 7.50/7.03 \quad \text{PL/-3.00}$

# Diagnostic Fitting SPE

- BC 42.50 / 45.50 (7.94/7.42)
- DRx PL / -3.00 MOR -4.50
- Lens Rx -4.50 /-7.50 (drum reading)

# Cylindrical Power Effect Bitorics (CPE)

- BC 42.50/45.50 (7.94/7.42)
- DRx PL/-3.00 MOR -1.25-2.25 x 180
- Add -1.25@180 and -3.50 @90
- Lens Rx -1.25/-6.50