

# Nelson 5.1

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$$n(\omega) = 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}$$

$$\omega_p = 2 \times 10^{15} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$a) \quad k_p = \left( \frac{\omega_p}{v_p} \right) = \frac{\omega_p}{c}$$

$$k_p = \frac{2 \times 10^{15} \text{ s}^{-1}}{3 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm/s}} = \boxed{\frac{2}{3} \times 10^5 \frac{1}{\text{cm}}}$$

$$\lambda_p = \frac{2\pi}{k_p} = 9.4 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm} = \boxed{940 \text{ nm}}$$

$$b) \quad \frac{v_p(\omega)}{c} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}} = \frac{1}{1 - \omega_p^2 \left( \frac{\lambda^2}{(2\pi)^2 c^2} \right)}$$

$$\frac{\omega}{c} = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \quad \nearrow$$

$$\boxed{\frac{v_p(\omega)}{c} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{c^2} \frac{\lambda^2}{(2\pi)^2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - k_p^2 \frac{\lambda^2}{4\pi^2}}$$

c) .. d(\omega) ..

$$c) \quad v_g = \frac{d\omega}{dk} \quad \omega n(\omega) = c k$$

$$\omega - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega} = c k$$

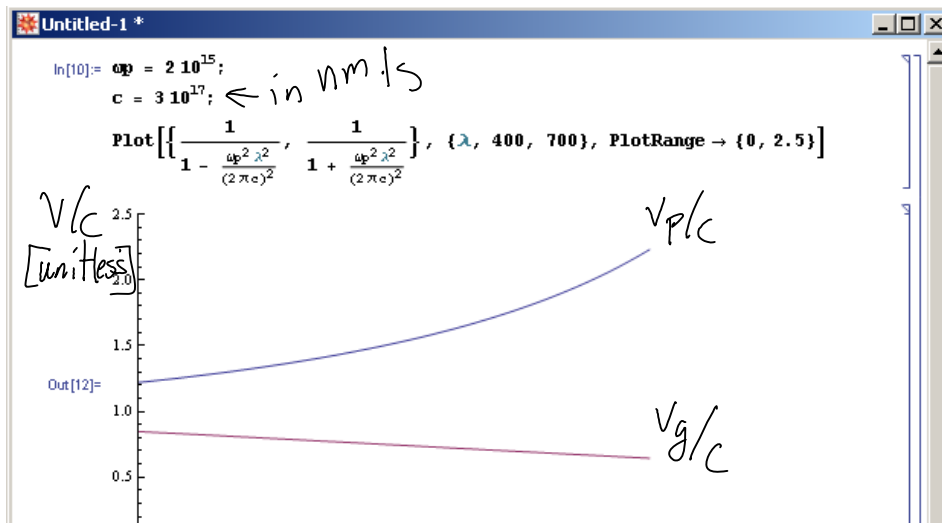
$$d\omega - \omega_p^2 \frac{(-1)}{\omega^2} d\omega = c dk$$

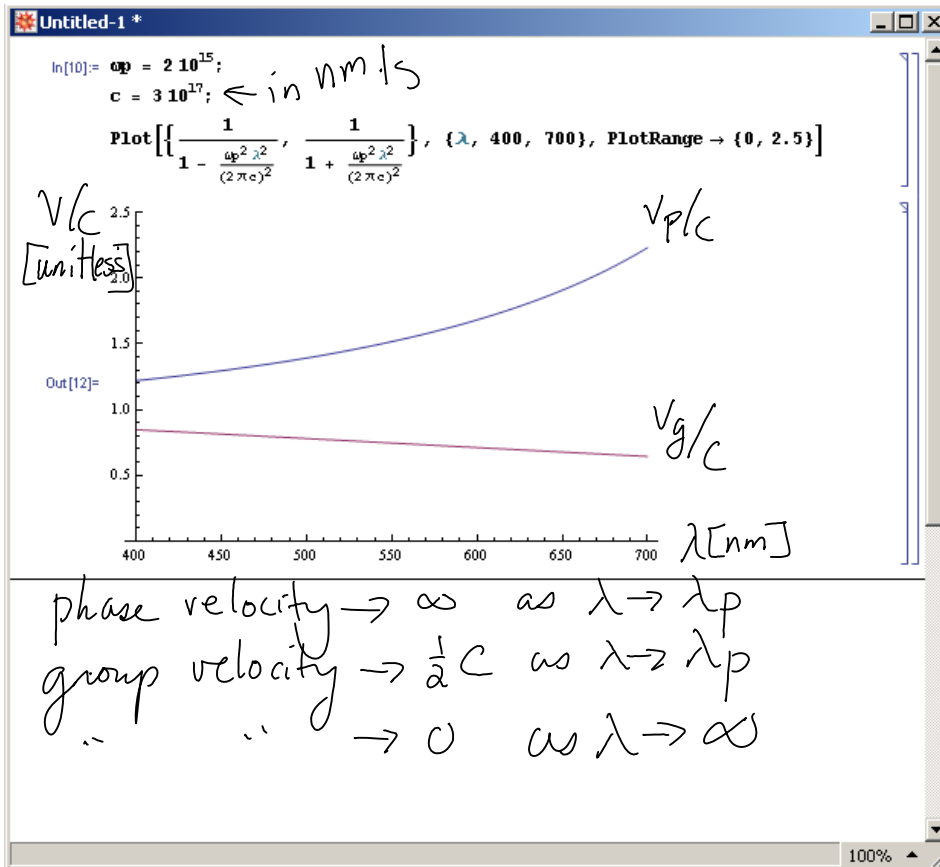
$$\frac{dk}{d\omega} = \frac{1}{c} \left( 1 + \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2} \right)$$

$$v_g = \frac{c}{1 + \omega_p^2/\omega^2}$$

$$= \frac{c}{1 + \frac{\omega_p^2 (2\pi c)^2}{\lambda^2}}$$

$$\frac{v_g}{c} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{\omega_p^2 \lambda^2}{4\pi^2 c^2}}$$





# Crawford 9.1

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$$a) L_0 \lambda \approx d^2$$

$$L_0 \approx \frac{d^2}{\lambda} = \frac{(0.1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m})^2}{500 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}}$$

take  $\lambda = 500 \text{ nm}$

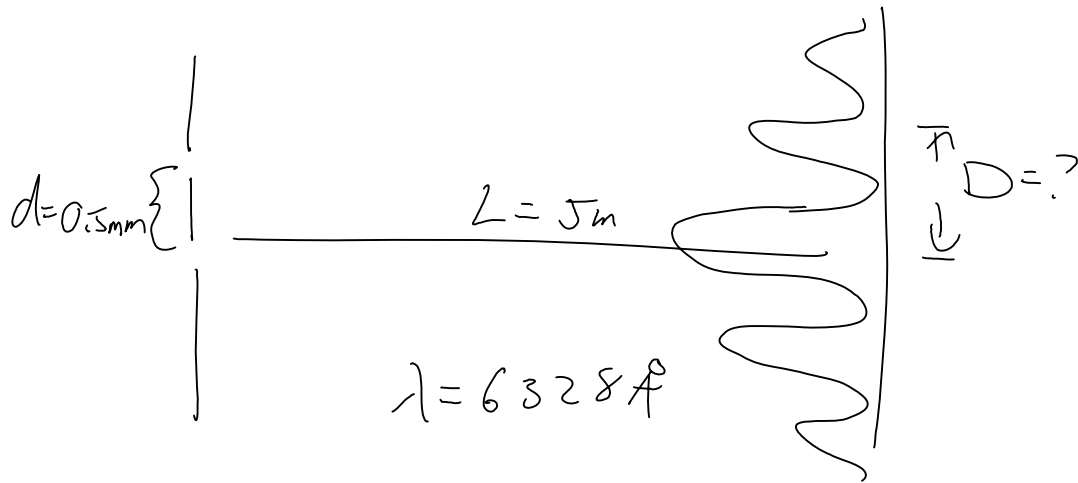
$$= \frac{0.01 \text{ m}^2}{0.5 \mu\text{m}} = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 0.02 \text{ m} \\ \hline 0.2 \text{ cm} \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$b) L_0 = \frac{(10 \text{ cm})^2}{3 \text{ cm}} = \boxed{33 \text{ cm}}$$

# Crawford 9.2

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$$\begin{aligned} D &\approx L \theta \approx L \frac{\lambda}{d} \\ &= \frac{5 \text{ m} \cdot 6328 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}}{0.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}} \\ &= 6.328 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m} \\ &= \underline{\underline{6.328 \text{ mm}}} \end{aligned}$$

Crawford 9.4

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Coherency condition was disc.  
in § 9.4 of Crawford

Basic condition is,

$$dD \ll L\lambda$$

$$L \gg \frac{dD}{\lambda} = 0.9/m$$

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# Crawford 9.6

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Unaided eye means we use the diameter of our pupil for maximum angular resolution.

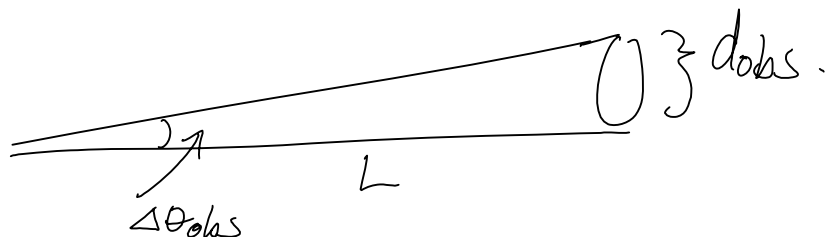
$$\Delta\theta_{\min} = \frac{\lambda_{\min}}{d_{\max}} \leftarrow \text{we want find smallest angle we can resolve}$$

$$\lambda_{\min} \approx 400 \text{ nm}$$

$$d_{\max} \approx 0.8 \text{ cm found on wikipedia}$$

$$\Delta\theta_{\min} = \boxed{5 \times 10^{-5}}$$

$$\text{The } \Delta\theta_{\text{observed}} = \frac{d_{\text{obs}}}{L}$$



$$d_{\text{obs}} = \Delta\theta_{\text{obs}} \cdot L = \Delta\theta_{\max} \cdot L$$

this will make the object look like a point source.

$$d_{\text{obs}} \approx \underline{4750 \text{ mi}}$$

the unaided eye can actually see  
the size of Venus. Of course white  
light has a range of wavelengths  
but use  $\lambda_{\text{min}} = 700 \text{ nm}$ ,

$d_{\text{obs}} \approx 8100 \text{ mi.}$  which is still ok,