Mechanics, Aging and Neurological Control of accommodation:

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- IV. Amplitude of accommodation and age
- A. Functional presbyopia
- B. Absolute presbyopia
- C. Treatment

Bifocals

Monovision

Surgically implanted prosthesis

### **Course title-** (VS217) Oculomotor functions and neurology

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### **GSI:**

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## **Examination Schedule:**

Quizes: January 29; February 28 Midterm: February 14: Final March 13 **Power point lecture slides are available on a CD**  **Resources:** text books, reader, website, handouts

Class Website: Reader. Website <u>http://schorlab.berkeley.edu</u> Click courses 117 class page name VS117 password Hering,1

First Week: read chapters 16-18 See lecture outline in syllabus Labs begin this Friday, January 25



## **Course Goals**

### Near Response-<u>Current developments in optometry</u>

Myopia control –

environmental, surgical, pharmaceutical and genetic Presbyopia treatment – amelioration and prosthetic treatment Developmental disorders (amblyopia and strabismus) Reading disorders Ergonomics- computers and sports vision Virtual reality and personal computer eye-ware

**Neurology screening- Primary care gate keeper** neurology, systemic, endocrines, metabolic, muscular skeletal systems.

#### Mechanics, Aging and Neurological Control of accommodation:

- Five Mechanisms of Accommodation
- A. Variable axial length
- B. Corneal Power and astigmatism
- C. Lenticular power
- D. Pupil size & Aberrations
- E. Lenticular refractive index gradient (isoindical surfaces)

### II. Anatomy & Mechanics

- A. Lens
- B. Capsule
- C. Zonules
- D. Ciliary Body
- E. Index gradient

#### III. Autonomic innervation

- IV. Amplitude of accommodation and age
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- Reduced pupil size
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### Accommodated eye







#### Definitions:

1) Accommodation = the ability to focus images of objects at various distances in space onto the retina.

2) Accommodation = the ability to make objects at various distances in space conjugate to the retina.

3) Conjugacy = mathematical term that describes pairing of points or interchangeable points in a function.

This principle is the basis of ophthalmoscopy (viewing the retina) and retinoscopy

Objects and images, described for an optical system by the Gaussian equation, are conjugate (i.e. objects and images are interchangeable). 1/O + 1/I = 1/f

# Conjugacy described by the Gaussian equation P = 1/f = 1/O + 1/I



O = Object distance in space to the cornea

I = Axial length of the eye, or image plane (screen) distance from cornea

F = Optical power of the eye (lens + cornea) referred to cornea location

### **Changes that could focus the retinal image:**

O = Object distance in space from the cornea

I = Axial length of the eye, or image plane (retinal screen) distance from the cornea

F = Optical power of the eye (lens + cornea) referred to the cornea (60D) i.e. 1/ focal length

Accommodation can work by changing any one of these 3 parameters.

# Mechanisms of Accommodation

# **Axial length**

24 mm adult, 17 mm neonate

Cornea is more powerful in neonate and reduces as the axial length increases because the **radius of curvature expands** with eye growth.

1mm axial change of axial length = 5 D Myopes have long eyes.

**Emmetropization** A process that keeps optics matched to axial length. Ocular growth is stimulated by blur during the first two decades of life.

Eel's have accordion eyes that change axial length by ocular compression

## **Corneal Power**

Eel and Owls flatten the cornea to see far away.

If we are myopes, we squint (narrow our palpebral aperture) to see far away.

Corneas of infant eyes flatten with eye growth and elongation of the eye during emmetropization.

Corneal astigmatism has a range of focal distances between the two major meridians.

### Lenticular Accommodation



# Compression of lens by iris can change power by over 40D



Fig. 149-Accommodation in amphibious birds.





### During accommodation

1) Lens thickness increases by 0.5 mm during accommodation

2) Lens nucleus changes thickness more than the cortex.



Lens translation is used by cats, and by humans with prosthetic accommodating intraocular lenses. Refractive index gradient reduces spherical aberration and increases refractive power with internal refraction



Refractive index gradient increases refractive power with internal refraction & reduces spherical aberration



# Isoindical surfaces & internal refraction



Lens Paradox: Index compensation for lens growth The effective index of refraction is reduced by redistributing the refractive index gradient.



Reduced pupil size component of the near response reduces the spherical aberration component of blur but adds diffraction blur. **2mm is optimal**. This occurs automatically with age starting in the second decade of life. Disadvantage is reduced light level, diffraction blur and reduced field of view.

Aberrations increase the DOF.

### Anatomy and Biomechnics of Accommodation

# Gullstrand, Helmholtz Relaxation theory of Accommodation.



**Gullstrand, Helmholtz Relaxation theory of Accommodation.** Relax a stretching force on the lens capsule to allow the lens matrix to round up.

Push-pull relationship between the passive agonist lens complex and the passive antagonist (choroid & lens bag, interconnected by zonules).

Balance of force between passive components is changed by active force of the ciliary muscle.



# Gullstrand biomechanics model of Accommodation Choroid CHOROIDAL SPRING Muscle CILIARY MUSCLE FORCE Zonule PERIPHERAL AND AXIAL ZONULAR SPRINGS Lens LENS SPRING AND DASHPOT



Lens Capsule elasticity molds (shapes) the lens matrix



Passive agonist that shapes the lens during ciliary muscle contraction: Internal (viscous) and external (elastic) factors Changes in the lens curvature during accommodation

How to measure accommodation objectively



Catoptric images are reflected from optical surfaces



# Scheiner double pupil



### Two branches of the autonomic NS Sympathetic and Parasympathetic pathways



# 5 minute break

**Presbyopia**: the reduction of accommodation amplitude with age.

# **Compensation:**

Adjust viewing distance

Constrict pupil and increase aberrations increase the **D**epth **O**f Focus

Optical aids- bifocals, monovision, & simultaneous vision (increase aberrations)

Accommodating intraocular lens implant (AIOL)

### Adjust the Object (viewing) Distance



### The Problem: PRESBYOPIA After age 52 the eye no longer accommodates

### **Absolute Presbyopia: Age 52**

The near point equals the far point. Amplitude of accommodation equals zero.

### **Functional Presbyopia:**

The near point recedes out beyond the near working distance.

The near working distance requires more than the full amplitude of accommodation.

## Time course of Presbyopia



$$Amp = 18.5 - (Age/3)$$

rearrange  $Age = 3 \times (18.5 - Amp)$ 

Age for amplitude of 2.5D

Age =  $3 \times (18.5 - 2.5) = 3 \times (16) = 48$  years

### What Causes Presbyopia.

It's a combination of the way we accommodate and the way the lens grows.

Presbyopia is accelerated by the same factors that cause cataract. UV radiation & diet have an influence. People living near the equator have earlier onset of presbyopia.

### **Ocular changes that contribute to Presbyopia: Statics:**

- Lens rounds with age & increases minimum curve
  Cortex of the lens becomes less malleable-
- More layers cause pressure bandage **friction effec** -Capsule is **stiffer** (less compliance)
- -Choroid is stiffer (less compliant)

### **Consequence**:

Reduced amplitude of accommodation from rounding, and greater elastic opposition force applied by the stiffer choroid.

### **Dynamics:**

-Lens becomes more viscous- More sluggish

**Consequence:** Static & dynamic changes require more force from the ciliary muscle to change accommodation quickly.



A letter E as seen with out any correction (top line), and with the addition of negative spherical aberration (bottom line). *G. Yoon, University of Rochester* 

### **Treatment options:**

### **Optical aids**

Reduce pupil size (occurs naturally)
Bifocal spectacles

fixed and progressive

Contact lens bifocals
Simultaneous vision contact lenses
Monovision contact lenses

### **Surgical Correction**

Accommodating IOL IOL (intraocular lens implant) Malleable and Preformed



# Which of these aspects of presbyopia can be changed to restore accommodation?

Lens position- translate toward the cornea Lens matrix viscosity and compliance

# Lens matrix implants for treatment of Presbyopia:

# http://www.refractivesource.com/patients/ emerging/procedures\_for\_presbyopia.htm

http://schorlab.berkeley.edu/ click A-IOL model

### **Accommodating Intraocular Lenses Inserted into the Lens Bag (Capsule)**

Malleable Polymer- Catarex A problem is that it becomes opaque

Preformed Polymer- C&C Vision (AT-45) Human Optics AG Visiogen (Galelian Telescope) B&L Safarazi technique Limited amplitude of accommodation (1-2D)

Role of increased aberrations due to lens tilt is unclear.





### Accommodating IOL (+ 30D Galilean telescope)



1.5 mm produces up to 3D accommodation

### Haptics support Visiogen translating "Synchrony" + 30D IOL Galilean telescope







Visiogen

### Haptics support Visiogen translating IOL telescope



http://www.crstoday.com/02\_current/18.html http://eyeworld.org/jan04/0104p12.html

# Lunch Time