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ABO Basic Exam Review

Domain IV: Instrumentation

National Federation of Opticianry Schools

Formal Opticianry Education.... We teach the Why

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Content Outline

ABO Test Content Outline	Weight	Approximate number of questions
IV. Instrumentation	16%	18
A. Use of lens power devices		4
B. Select ophthalmic tool, instruments, and equipment		4
C. Use and maintain ophthalmic tool, instruments, and equipment		10



Domain IV: Instrumentation

- **Power measuring device - Lensmeter (lensometer, vertometer, focimeter)**
- **Lens measuring devices**
- **Dispensing instrumentation**
- **Standard maintenance and calibration**



Lensmeter (A.K.A. Vertometer)

- Instrument that measures lens power
 - Measures back vertex power when reading the distance portion of the lens
 - Measures front vertex power when reading the near portion of the lens
- Used to measure lens power
 - Neutralization – when power is unknown
 - Verification – when power is known
- Used to locate the Major Reference Point
 - Optical Center (OC)
 - Prism Reference Point (PRP) when prism is required by the prescription (Rx prism)

Marco 101



Lensmeter Readings to Prescription

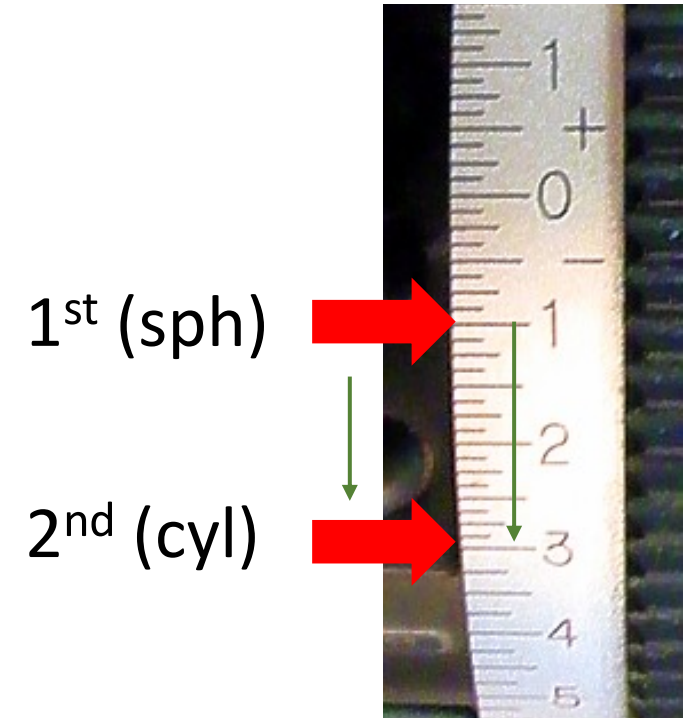
- The **first reading** on the power wheel is recorded when the **spherical power lines** are in focus and the **axis wheel** is aligned to the spherical power meridian (unbroken/straight).
- Sphere and axis readings are **recorded in prescription form**.
- The **second reading** occurs when the **cylinder lines** are in focus. However, the value recorded in the prescription is generally *not* the value on the power wheel.
- The **cylinder value** is written as the **distance traveled** on the power drum from the first to the second reading.

Example: 1st reading -2.00, 2nd reading -3.00 = -1.00 cyl value Rx
Rx written as **-2.00 -1.00 x axis** reading



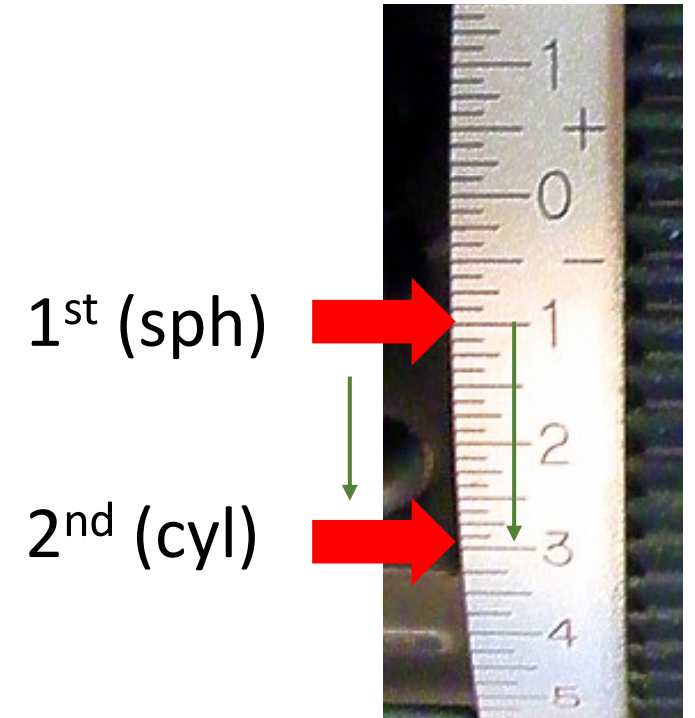
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- **What is the written cylinder?** **-2.00**



Example 1

- **First Reading**
 - *Sphere lines focus*
 - Power wheel reads +5.00
- **Axis wheel** reads 180
- **Second Reading**
 - *Cylinder lines focus*
 - Power wheel reads +2.00
- **What is the written power of the lens?**



Example 1 ANSWER

- **First Reading**

- *Sphere lines focus*

- Power wheel reads +5.00

- **Axis wheel** reads 180

- **Second Reading**

- *Cylinder lines focus*

- Power wheel reads +2.00

Rx +5.00 x 180

Rx +5.00 -3.00 x 180

- **What is the written power of the lens?**



Example 2

- **First Reading**
 - *Sphere lines focus*
 - Power wheel reads -6.00
- **Axis wheel** reads 64
- **Second Reading**
 - *Cylinder lines focus*
 - Power wheel reads -4.00
- **What is the written power of the lens?**



Example 2 ANSWER

- **First Reading**

- *Sphere lines focus*

- Power wheel reads -6.00

- **Axis wheel** reads 64

- **Second Reading**

- *Cylinder lines focus*

- Power wheel reads -4.00

Rx -6.00 x 064

Rx -6.00 +2.00 x 064

- **What is the written power of the lens?**



Ophthalmic Tools, Instruments and Equipment

The following slides are a few samples of the many available tools -
used in both lab and dispensing settings



Wide Jaw Angle Plier



- Used for making adjustments to the endpieces or hinge areas of the frame.
- Using a tool is the preferred method. When using a plier work as close to the area adjusting as possible. Support the area whenever possible.



Nylon Gripping plier

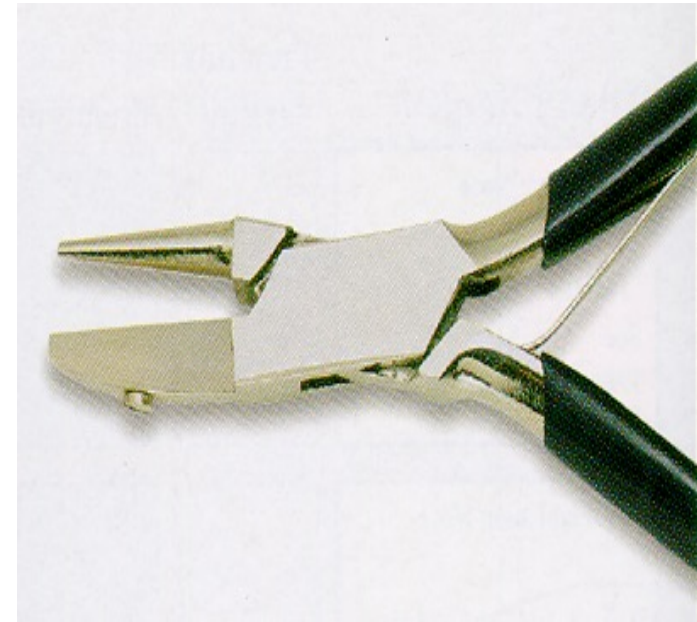


- Great for double plier work.
- Make sure the nylon pads are smooth.
- Protects the frame from plier marks



Flat Nylon/Round Metal Plier

- Great tool for semi rimless
- Good general adjustment tool



European Nose Pad Plier



- Used in Adjusting Nose Pad Angles
 - Frontal
 - Vertical
 - Splay
- Raising and Lowering Guard Arms
- Increasing and Decreasing Vertex Distance



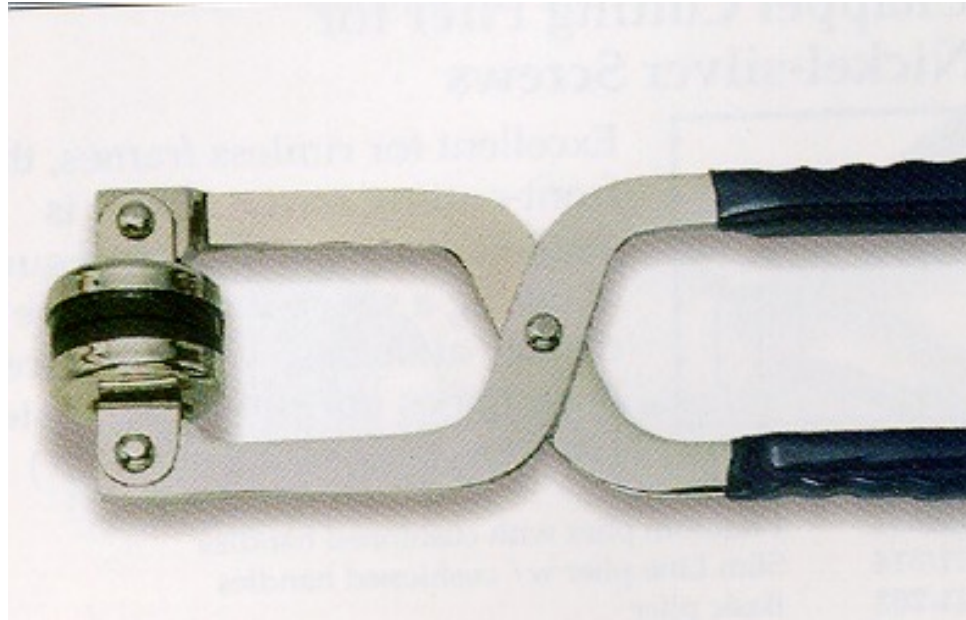
Cutting Pliers

- Used for Shortening Temple Lengths
- Used for Cutting Screws

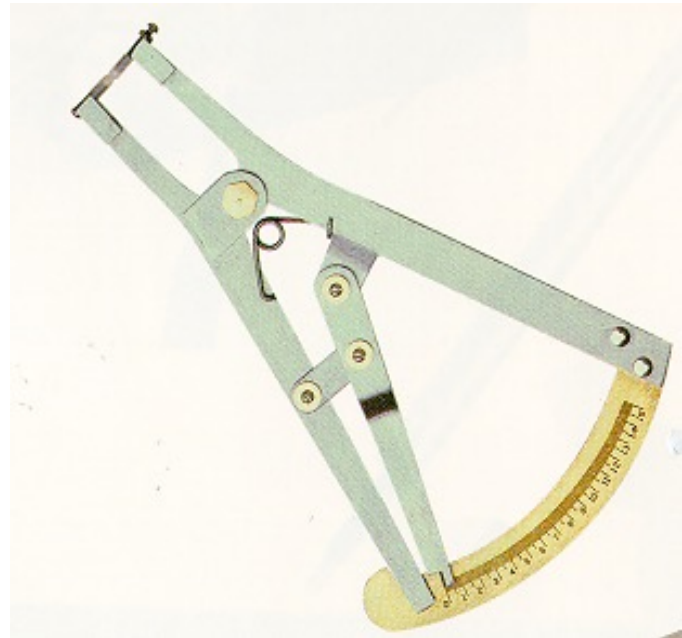


Axis Pliers

- Used to rotate the lens in a frame
- Helps correct misaligned lenses



Lens Caliper



- Measures the thickness of ophthalmic lenses
- Center thickness measured at the MRP (OC or PRP)
- Edge thickness measured at thickest or thinnest edge



Lens Clock/Geneva Lens Measure



- Measures front and back curves of ophthalmic lenses and converts them to a dioptric power value.
- Instrument indexed to a 1.53* index of refraction (compensation required for true curve power determination). *Unless otherwise marked.
- Can be used to verify slab-off prism amount.



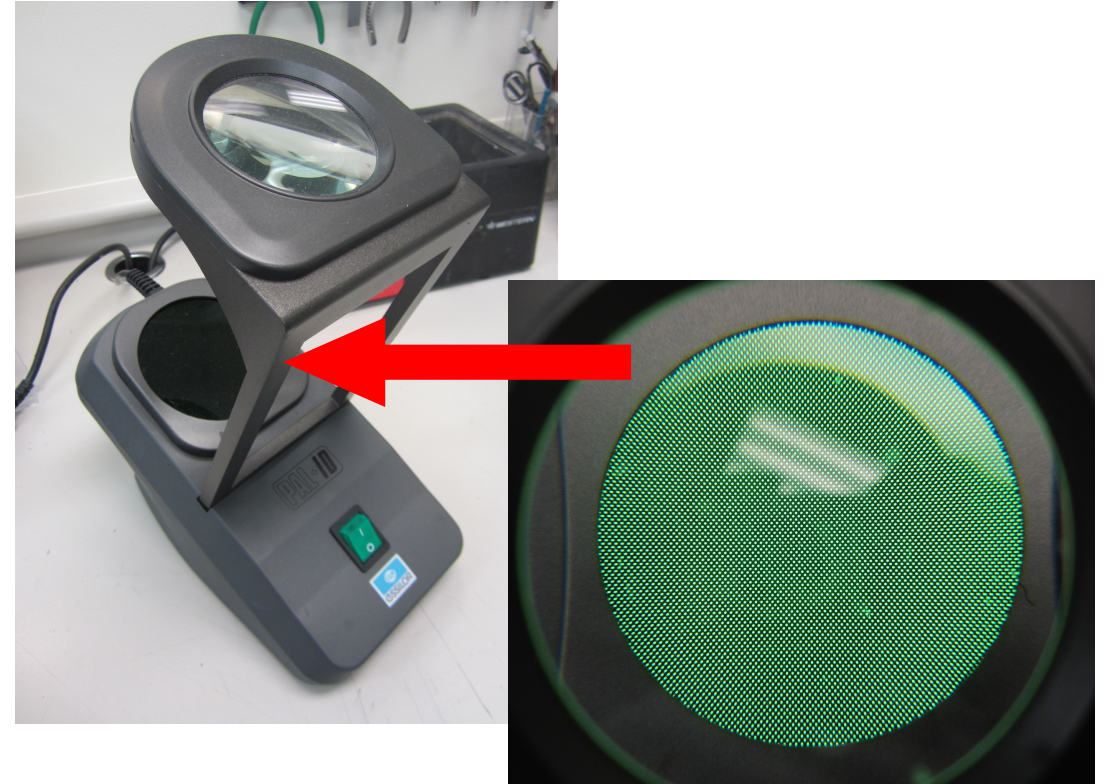
Distometer

- Used to measure vertex distance from the eye to the back of the lens.
- More important for higher powered lenses.
- Flat side against closed eyelid, press to expand toward back of lens surface.



Progressive Lens Identifier (PAL-ID)

- Use to locate hidden 180 markings, manufacture logo, and ADD power markings on PAL.
- Assists in the remarking process for PALs.
- Lens held between magnifier and light source.
- Green pattern helps better identify lens markings.



Thank You

Good Luck on the ABO

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