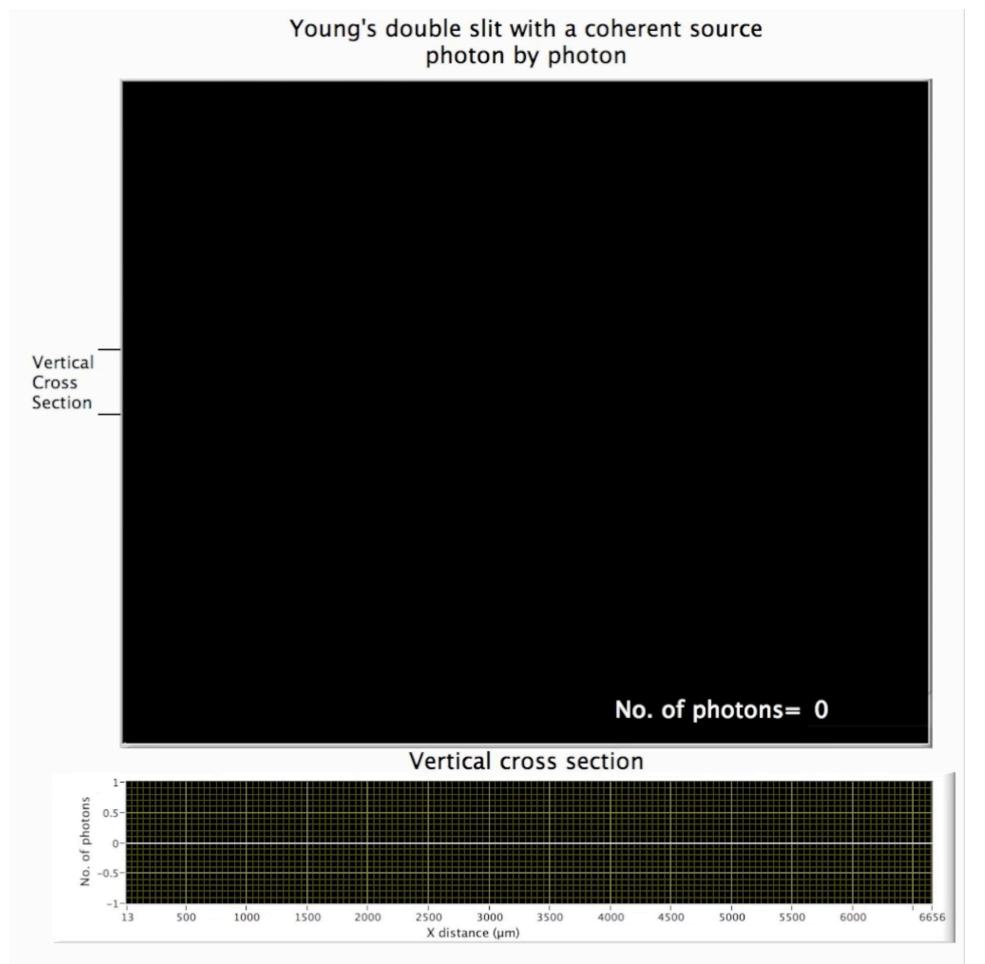
To get the full value of joy you must have someone to divide it with.

- Mark Twain

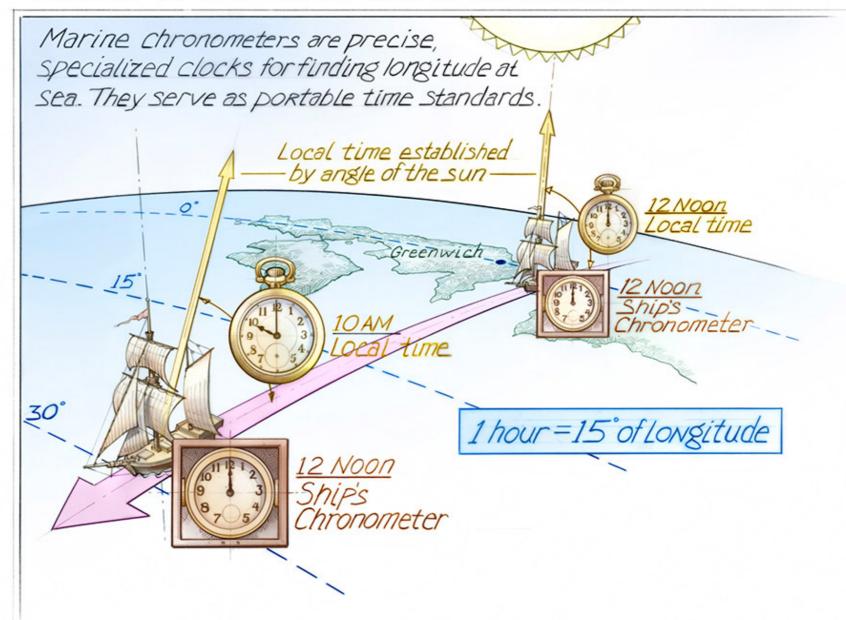


Things you'd like me to review

- Two (laser) colors beating together
- The series of questions on both example midterms regarding the laser/mirror configuration
- Basic diffraction and interference
- Use of marine chronometers/early navigation
 - Trains and time zones+
- Light clocks

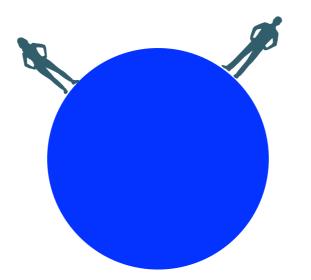


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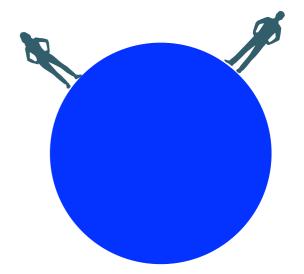




Local time & longitude



- Until recently, 'time' meant local time
- Depending on where you are eastwest, stars, sun, & planets will appear at different angles above the horizon
- 'Angle above horizon' (east-west) is a synonym for 'local time'
- Need either concurrent observations, or to know what time it is somewhere else



The full process

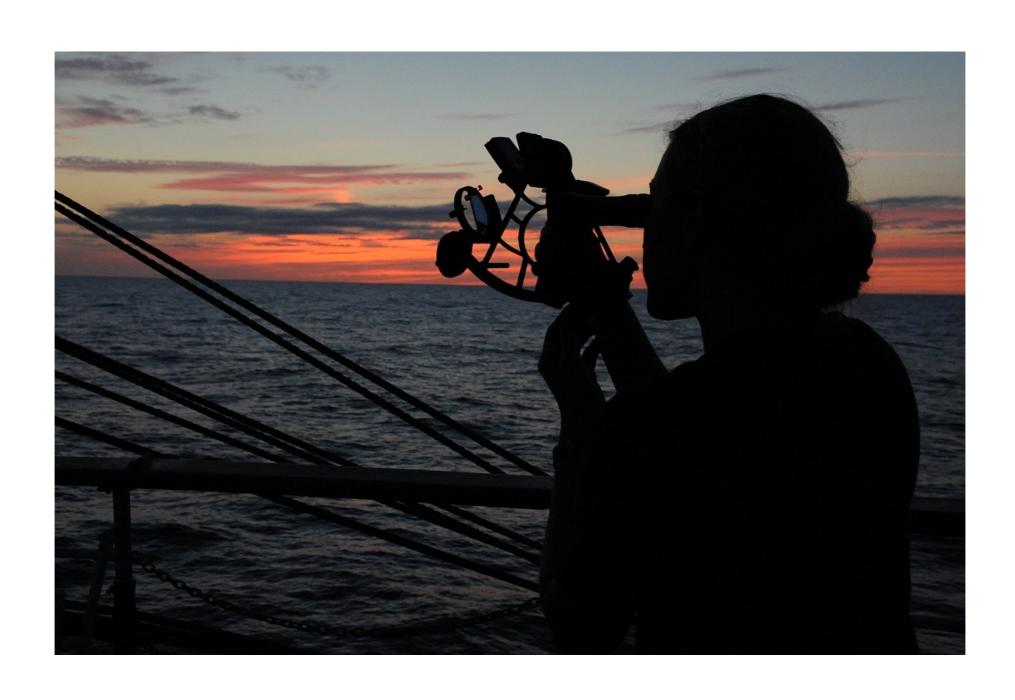
Observing stars to measure local time



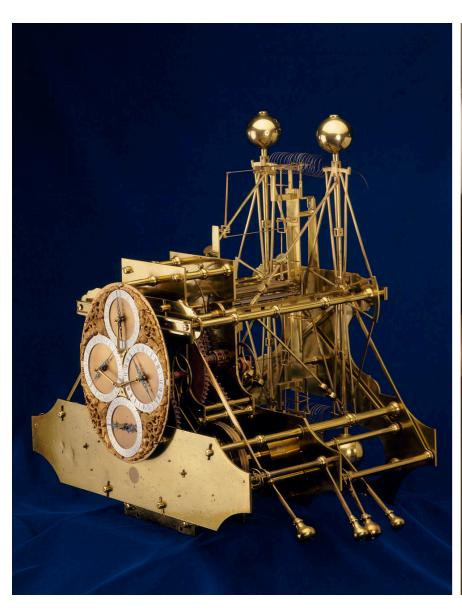
Time ball to tell ships the time

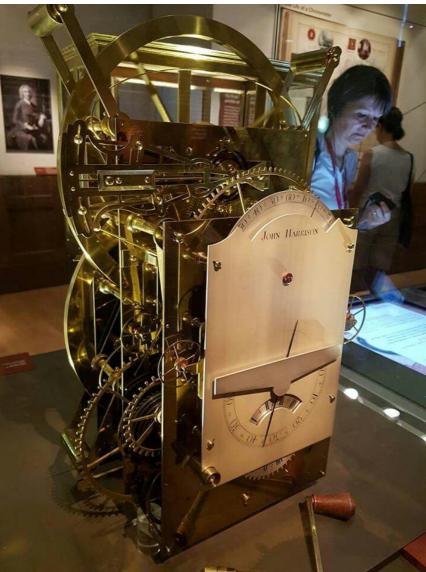


Finding local time (angle above horizon of stars or sun)



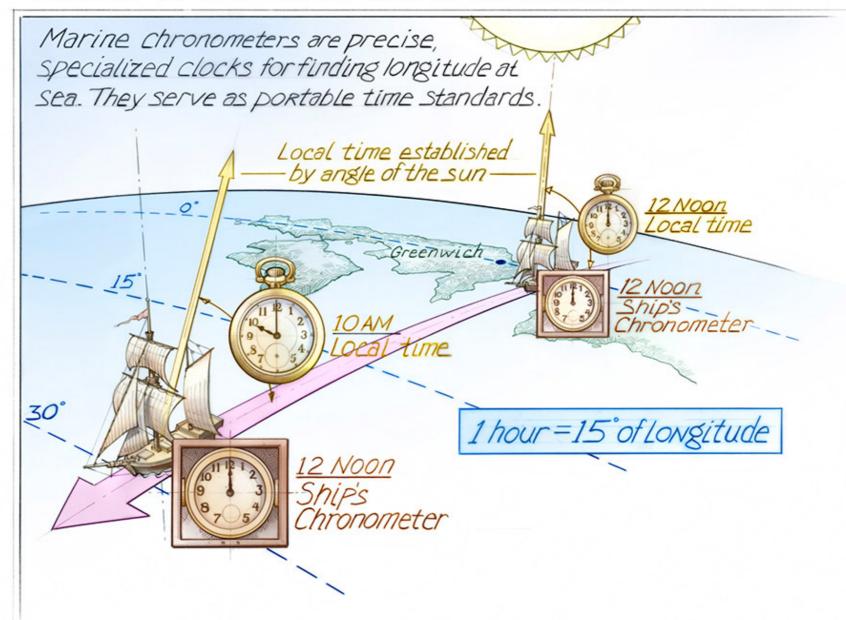
John Harrison & Longitude



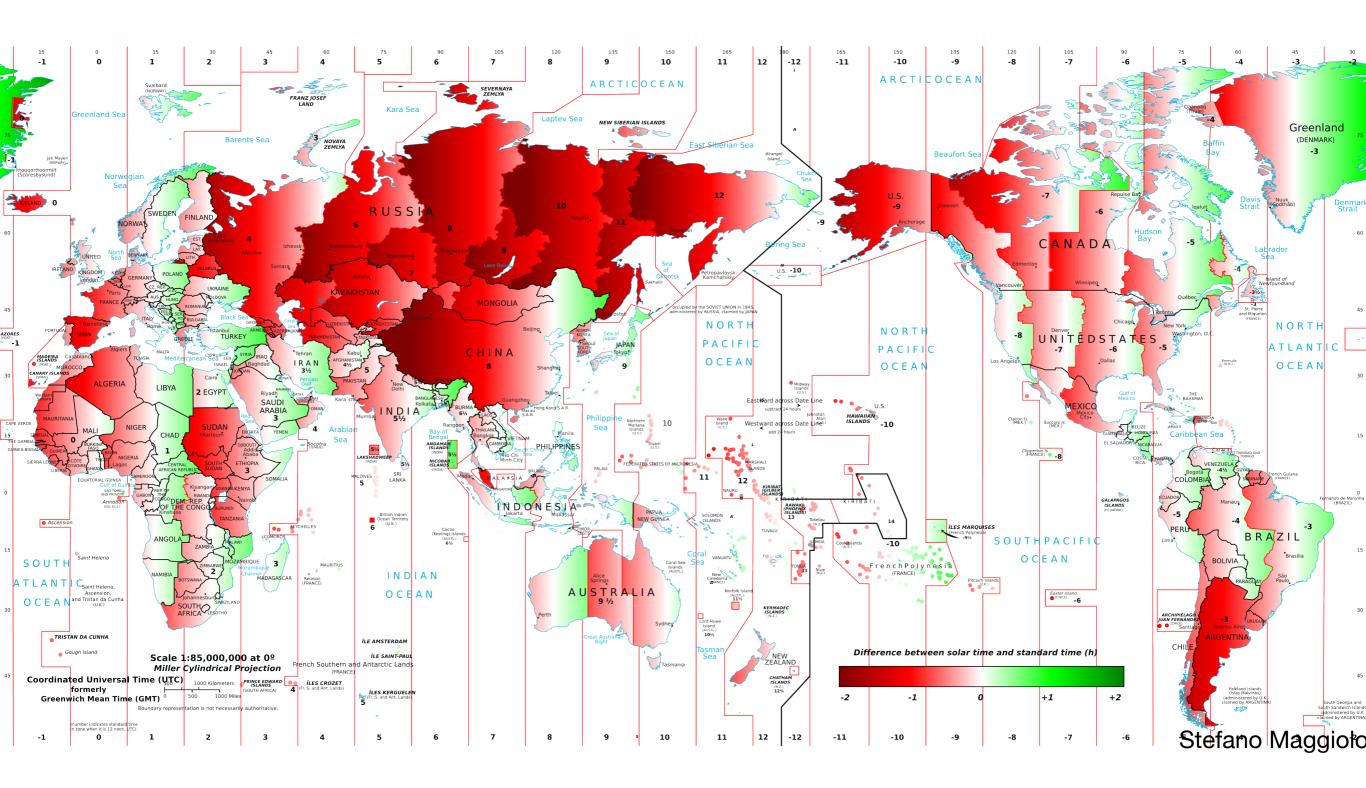


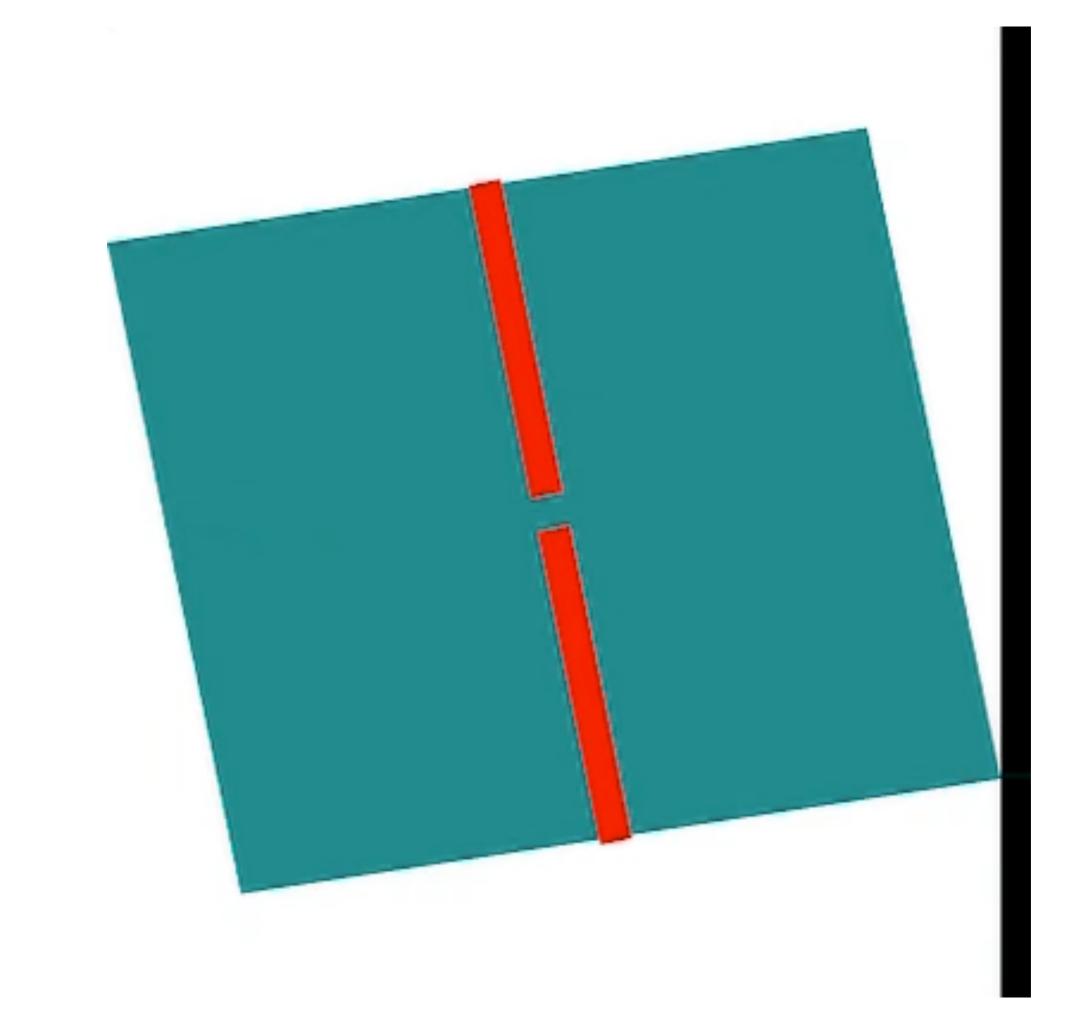


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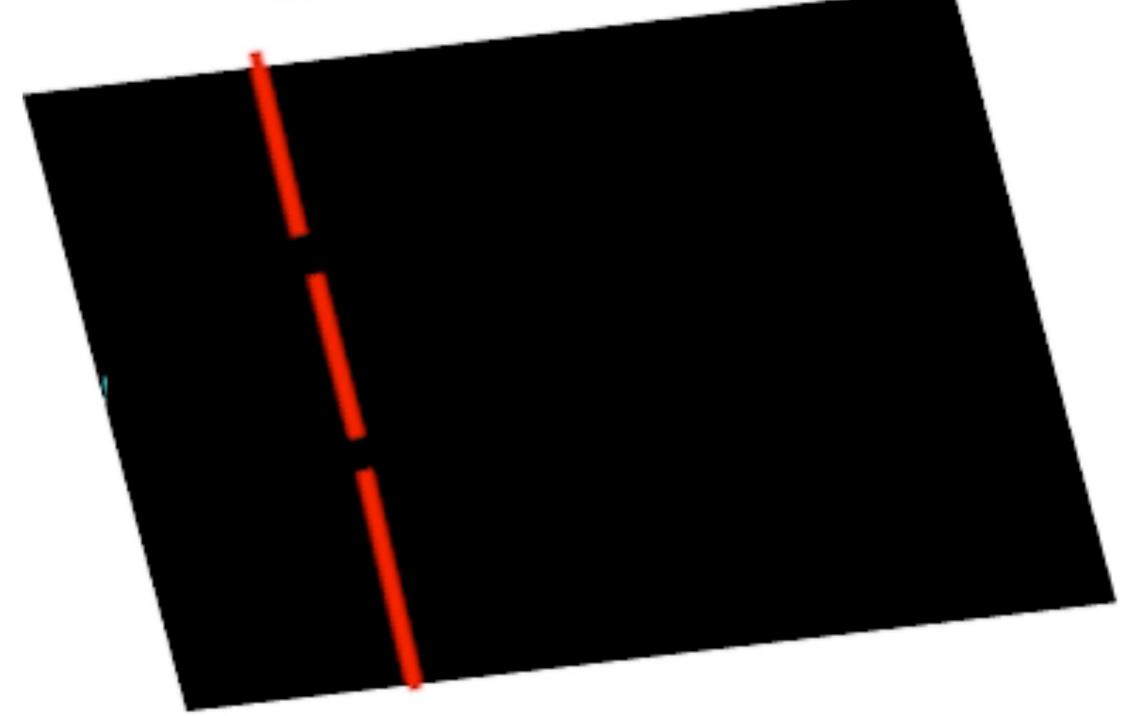






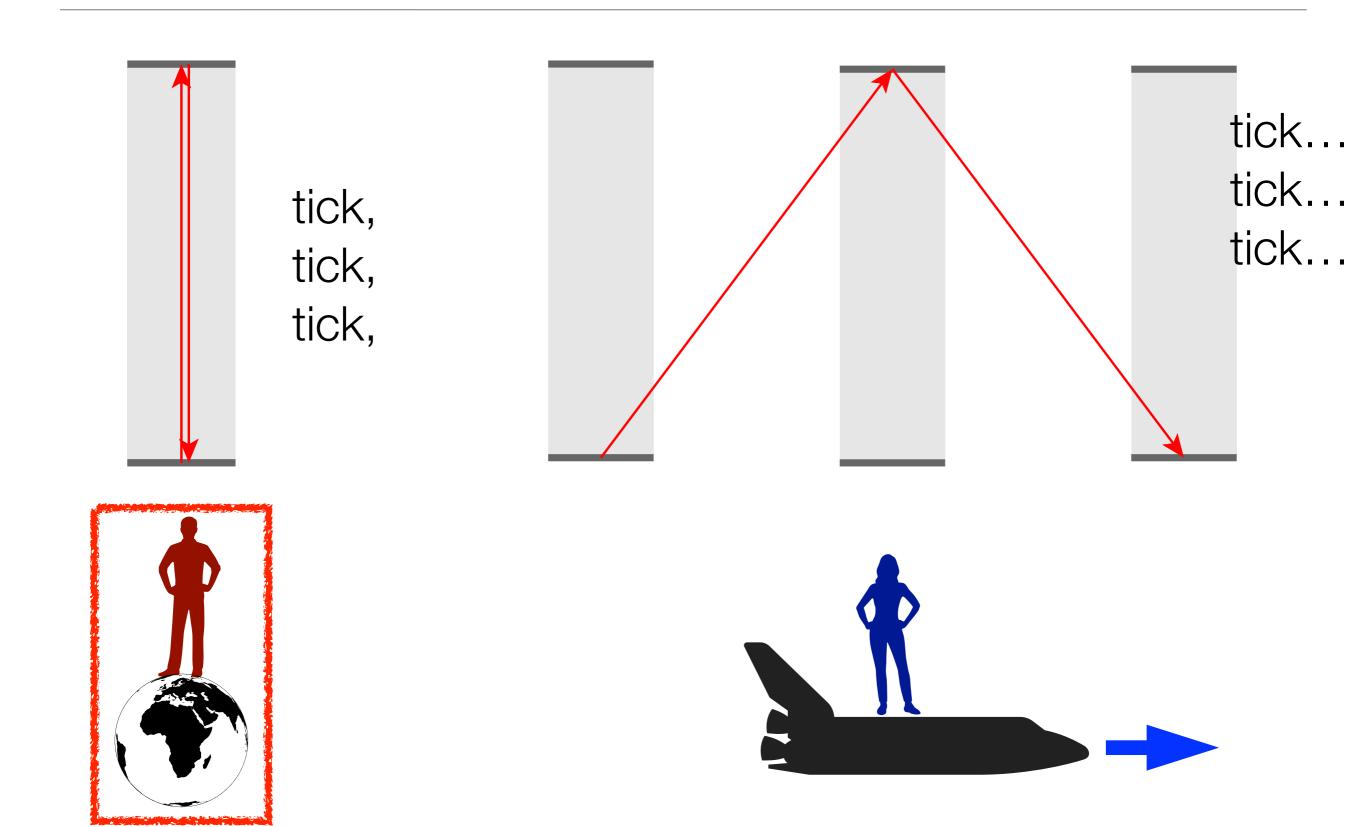


Young's double slit

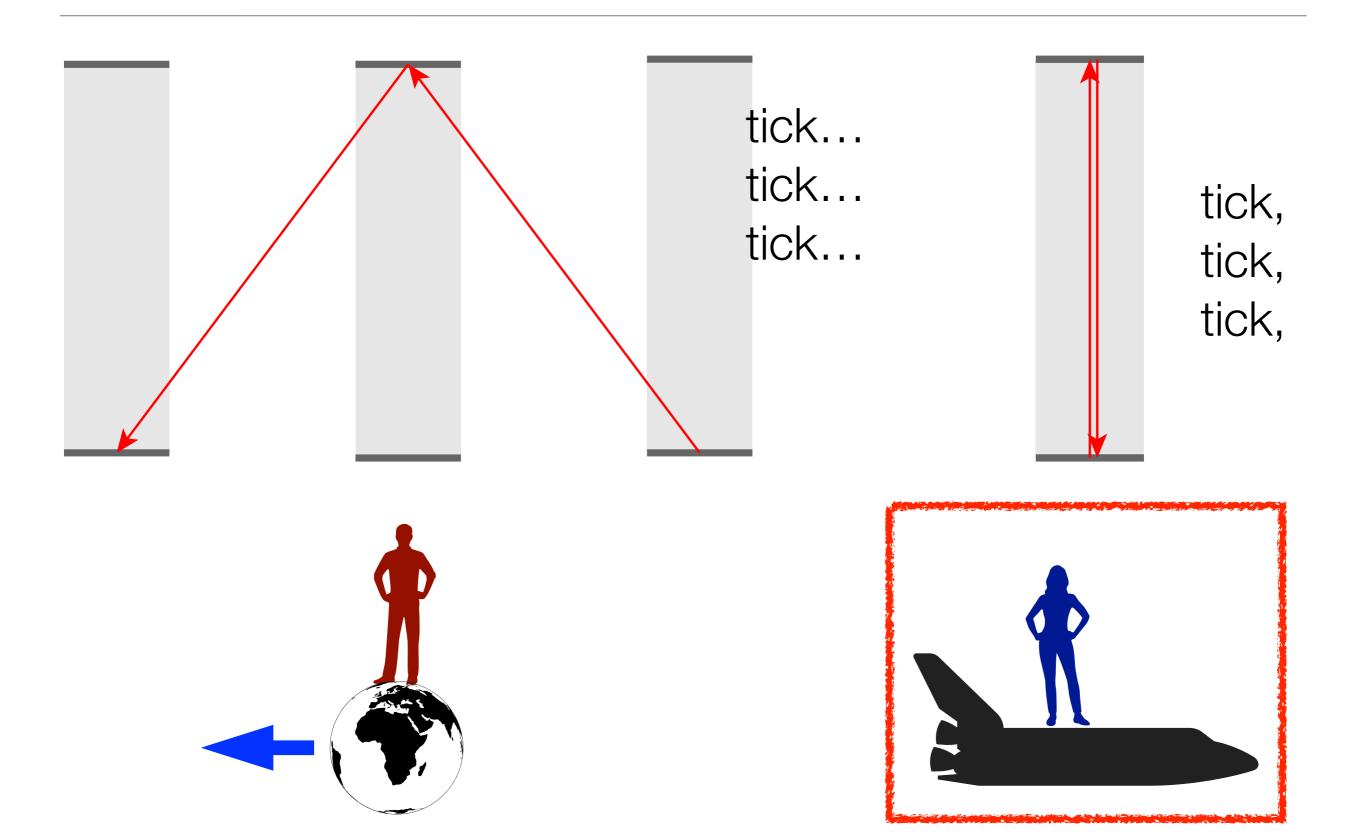


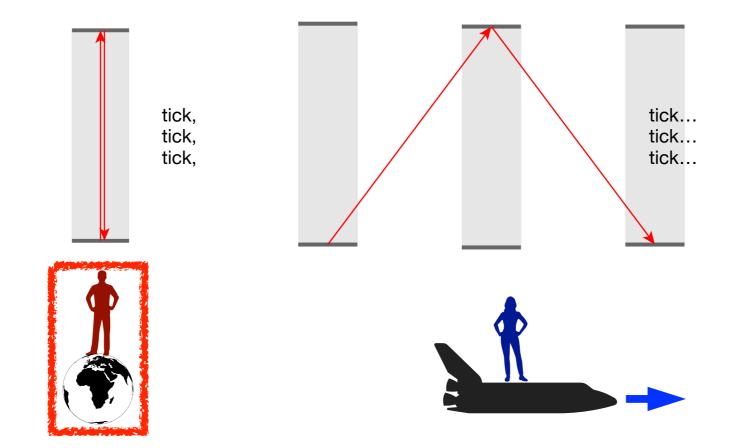
Relativity and light clocks

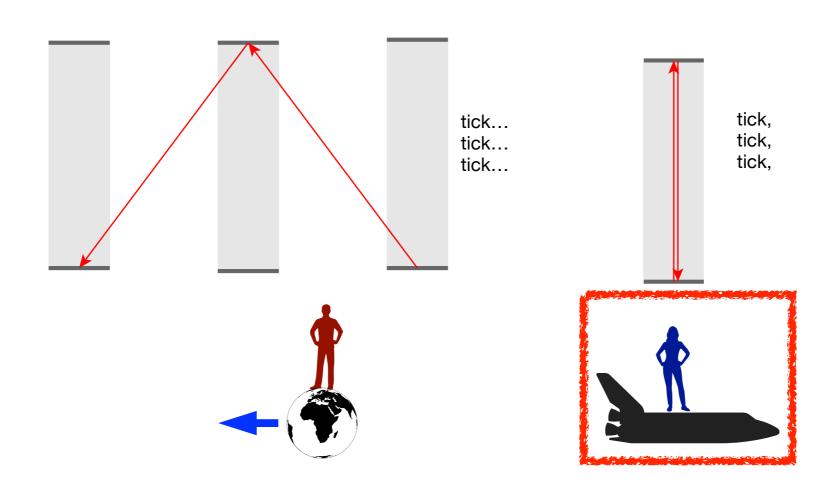
Light clock (student A homework)



Light clock (student B homework)







Takeaways

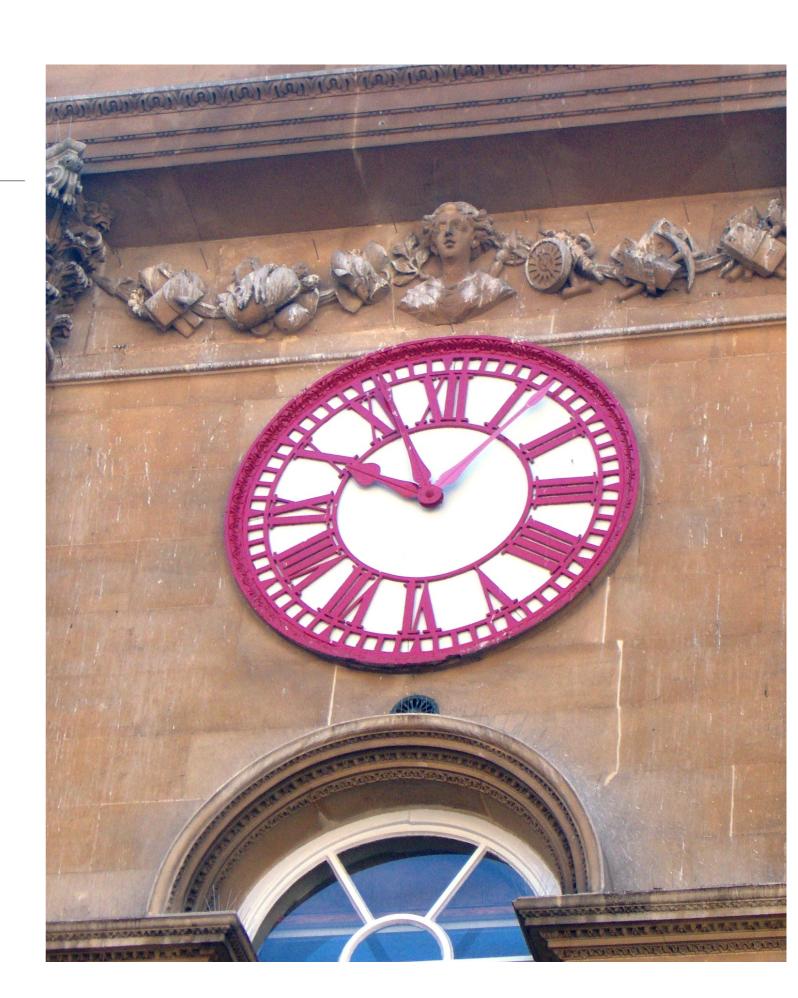
- Everyone see's their clock (time) as normal
- Everyone else's clock is running slow (if there is relative motion)
- They're <u>both</u> right

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- Prior to ~1850 time meant local time
- 1850-1918 transition
- 1918+ timezones are firmly established, time now means a universal time (with timezones), set by local time in Greenwich London
- · 1960, atomic time more accurate than earth's spin
- 1970+

Bristol Corn Exchange Clock

- Bristol time (main red minute hand)
- Greenwich mean time added (pink)
- 11 minute difference (approx)



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- International Atomic Time (TAI)
- Universal Time (UT1)
- UTC (Coordinated Universal Time)

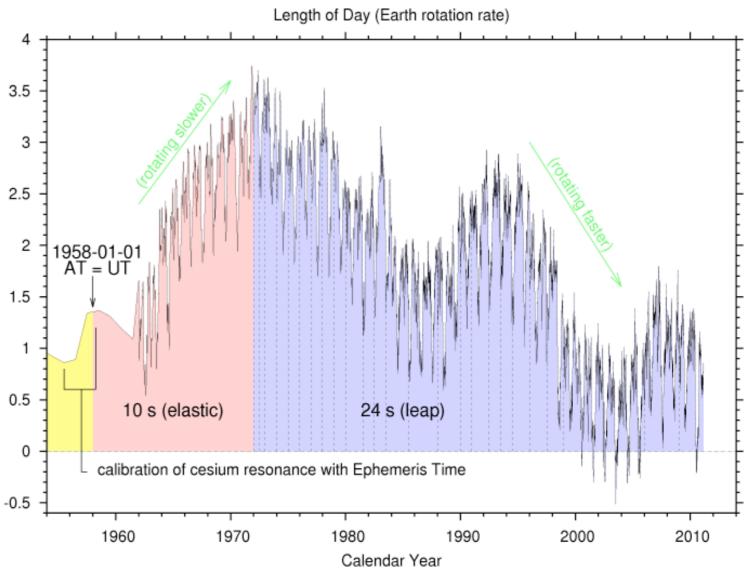
International Atomic Time (TAI)

Is determined using atomic clocks

Length of Day - 86400 s [milliseconds]

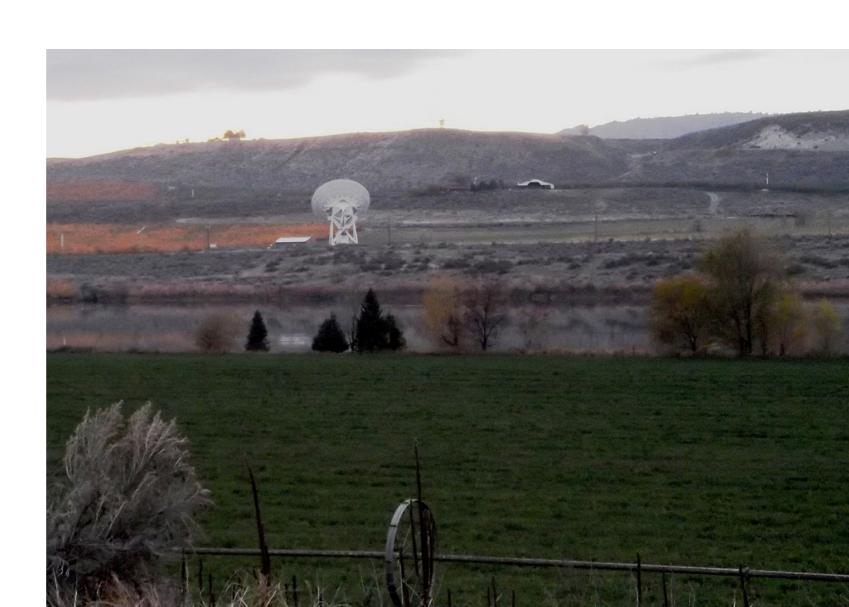
- Is very accurate
- The time of noon wanders





UT1

- Is the rotation of the Earth
- The Earth's rotation speeds up and slows down
- Time of a second wanders



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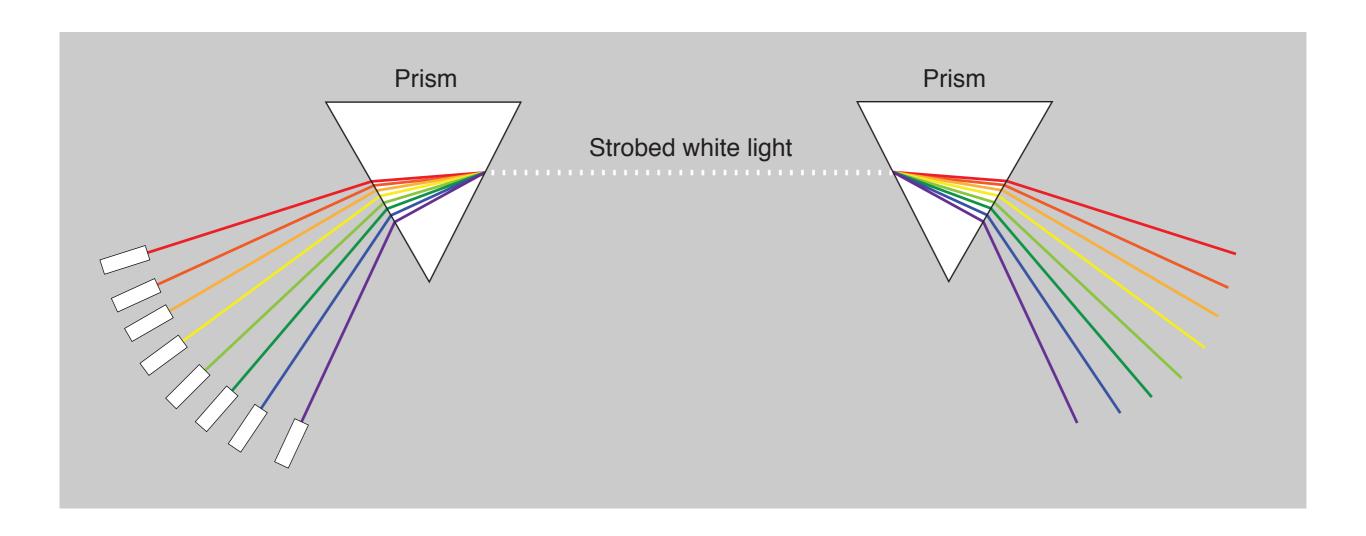
Coordinated Universal Time (UTC)

- Most common time
- The second is given by atomic time
- Leap seconds are occasionally inserted to keep noon from being more than a second off
- Pro: lines up more or less with both atomic and celestial time
- Used for almost all common usages of time
- Not actually useful for precision work

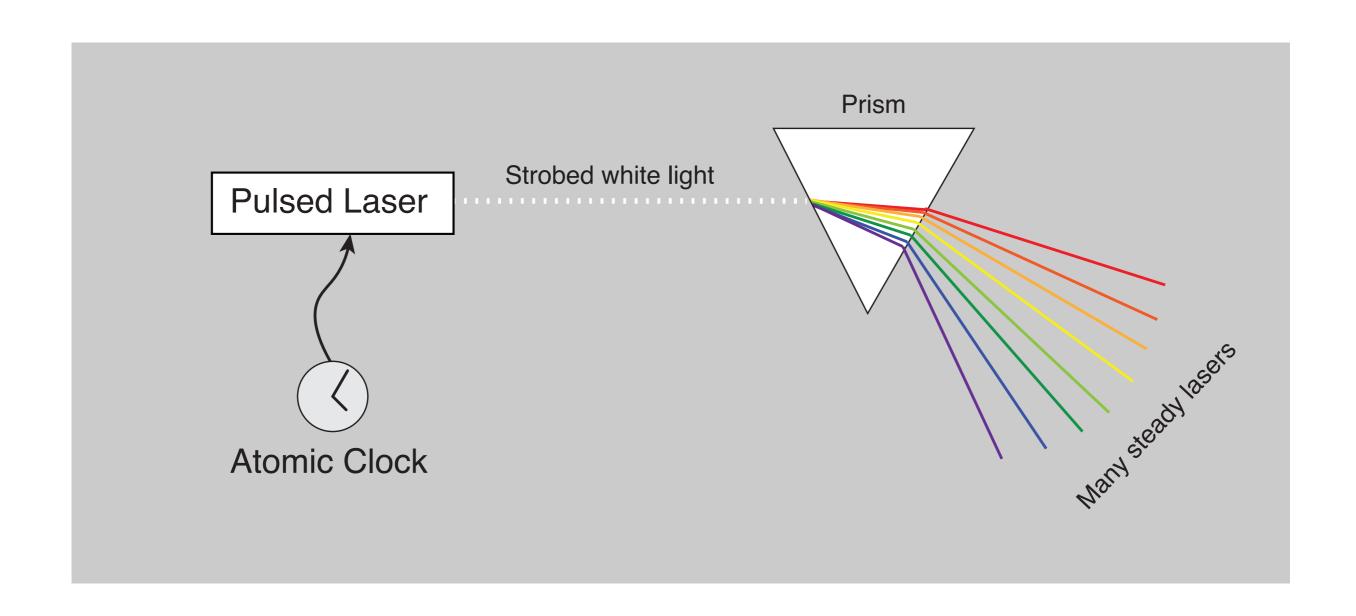
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Counting very fast (~100 trillion times per second)

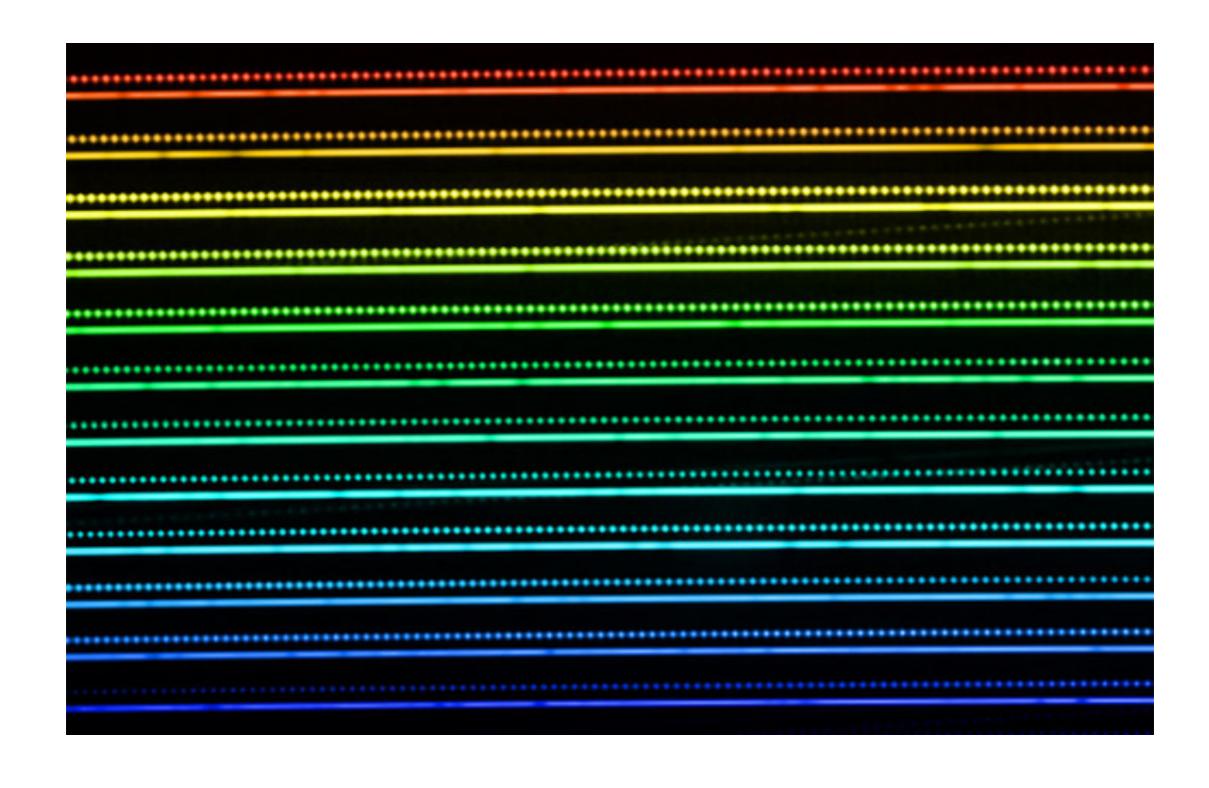
Many fancy lasers



Optical Frequency Comb



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Optical clock

