

‡12 *DIO's Fits to Hitherto-Unexplained Ancient Data*

Great Pyramid oriented via star 10i Draconis¹ (latitude 30° via 11α Dra?), c.2600 BC.
 Precise empirical basis² of Kallippos' 365^d/4 year: 330 BC, 3 centuries before Caesar.
 Standard ancient 185 meter³ stade's origin from 1%-correct Earth-size measure, c.300 BC.
 Sostratos-Eratosthenes' Earth-circumference $C = 256000$ stades, c.250 BC.⁴
 Poseidonios' (& later Ptolemy's) Earth-circumference $C = 180000$ stades, c.50 BC.⁵
 Aristarchos' 87° lower bound⁶ for half-Moon elongation from Sun, c.280 BC.
 Aristarchos' solar&stellar parallaxes each 1/10000 radians,⁷ human vision limit, c.280 BC.
Ancient continued fraction → Aristarchos' tropical-Metonic year:⁸ 365^d/4 – 15/4868.
 Aristarchos' Great Year⁹ of 4868 Kallippic years or 1778037^d, 280 BC.
 Pseudo-Aristarchos' quadruply-exaggerated¹⁰ 2° solar diameter in *Sizes&Distances*.
 "Babylonian" monthlength c.200 BC 29^d31'50"08'''20''': from saros c.280 BC.¹¹
 Aristarchos source of poor common ancient value¹² for precession 1°/century, c.280 BC.
 Pharos height 1/2 stade = 300 feet by-plan for efficiently¹³ measuring Earth-size, c.270 BC.
 System A relation 6247 synodic months = 6695 anomalistic months, 263 BC.¹⁴
 Archimedes' odd brackets for solar-diameter¹⁵ $\text{rt.ang}/200 < \text{Sun} < \text{rt.ang}/164$, c.230 BC.
 "Babylonian" yearlength¹⁶ 365^d14'44"51''' = 365^d73/297, 135 BC.
 Hipparchos' lunar orbit-radii¹⁷ 3144 & 3122 1/2, resp, c.130 BC & c.125 BC.
 Hipparchos' lunar eccentricities¹⁸ 327 2/3 & 247 1/2, resp, c.130 BC & c.125 BC.
 Hipparchos' ratio¹⁹ 5458 synodic months = 5923 eclipse months, good to (!) ordmag 1^s/10.
 Why did Hipparchos assign impossible 179° true lunar elongation to –381/12/12 eclipse?²⁰
 Why *JHA* Editor's Moon-based star λ "too small²¹ by about 40'", thrice lunar semidiameter?
 Hipparchos' awful eclipse-based Spica²² places, off –33' & +33', resp, 146&135 BC.
 Hipparchos' largest fundamental-star error: –35' Regulus,²³ 141 BC.
P.Fouad 267A's Hipparchan 365^d/4 – 1/309 yearlength,²⁴ 158 BC.
 Oddly-discordant 77 AD Pliny-circuli Rhodes entry 100 inches.²⁵
 Ptolemy's 8523 trop.yrs = 105416 mos \Leftarrow cont'd frac²⁶ of 781 sid.yrs = 9660 mos, 62 AD.
 Final Ptolemy lunar relation 3277 synodic months = 3512 anomalistic months,²⁷ 136 AD.
 Ptolemy's disjuncts with reality & own tables for both²⁸ Arbela eclipse-times, c.160 AD.
 1000^y-persistent Ptolemy large North Africa mapwarp: Carthage 4° mislatitude,²⁹ c.160 AD.
 Blessed Isles, Ptolemy *Geogr* 0° longitude, misidentified³⁰ as 800-miles-distant Canaries.

¹ Above ‡3 §C2; *Vistas in Astronomy* 28:255-268 [1985] pp.255-256; www.dioi.org/g835.pdf.

² www.dioi.org/jk02.pdf §C1.

³ Above ‡4.

⁴ *AmerJPhysics* 47.2:127; *ArchHistExactSci* 26.3:211-219; www.dioi.org/je01.pdf §§D&G&K.

⁵ *Griffith Observer* 82.8 (www.dioi.org/g828.pdf) [2018].

⁶ www.dioi.org/je02.pdf §B & fn 17; www.dioi.org/j117.pdf §C1.

⁷ Above ‡5; *Griffith Observer* 84.1 (www.dioi.org/g841.pdf) [2020].

⁸ Above ‡11 §F2; www.dioi.org/jm03.pdf fn 88.

⁹ www.dioi.org/jm03.pdf §G5.

¹⁰ www.dioi.org/j117.pdf fn 6.

¹¹ www.dioi.org/jb11.pdf §A.

¹² Above ‡11 §F2; www.dioi.org/au.pdf.

¹³ With huge errors by factor 6/5. Above ‡4 §B4; www.dioi.org/je01.pdf §I1; www.dioi.org/g828.pdf.

¹⁴ Above ‡6 §§E1&E2; www.dioi.org/jb12.pdf eqs.1-2.

¹⁵ www.dioi.org/jk01/pdf §E.

¹⁶ www.dioi.org/j116.pdf eq.6.

¹⁷ Above ‡10 §B4; www.dioi.org/j139.pdf.

¹⁸ *Idem*.

¹⁹ www.dioi.org/jb13.pdf eqs.1-3.

²⁰ www.dioi.org/jk03.pdf §G.

²¹ ‡5 §C1; www.dioi.org/jg01.pdf §A. *J.Hist.Astr*'s now-knowingly-fake case for Greek inaccuracy.

²² Above ‡11 §D2; www.dioi.org/jg01.pdf §§B&F.

²³ www.dioi.org/jg01.pdf §§E&F.

²⁴ www.dioi.org/jk02.pdf §§K4-K5.

²⁵ *Vistas in Astronomy* 28:256 n.15.

²⁶ www.dioi.org/j601.pdf eqs.21-31.

²⁷ Above ‡6 §§E1&E2; www.dioi.org/jb12.pdf fn 21; www.dioi.org/jm03.pdf §I36.

²⁸ Above ‡8 §G2; www.dioi.org/jm02.pdf §G.

²⁹ www.dioi.org/jg03.pdf §F4.

³⁰ Actually Cape Verde Islands: above ‡11 §C; www.dioi.org/jm01.pdf p.8.