

Science Development, Methods & Achievements

科學的發展、方法與成就

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Some of the materials presented are from talks of

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Director of the Library of Alexandria



Bibliotheca Alexandria (3rd C BC to 4th C AD) rebuild in 2002 with
\$600 Millions contributions from UNESCO, France, German, Japan etc.

Science: Western History

Egyptians 埃及人

Greeks 希臘人

Why No Romans? 為什麼沒有羅馬人？

Arabs 阿拉伯人

Europeans 歐洲人

Spread to the Entire World 擴散至全世界

Imhotep (~2600 BC)

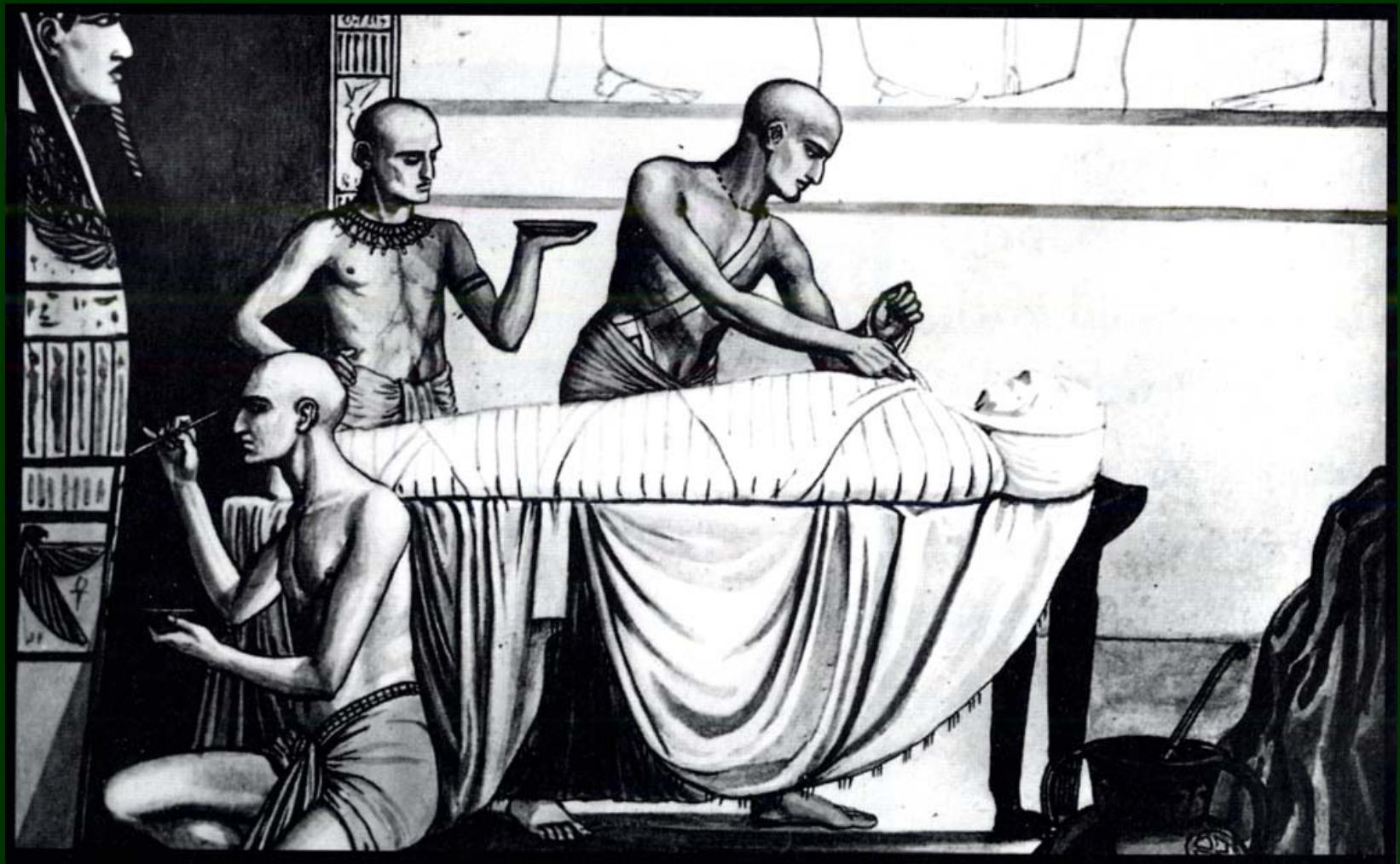


- Builder of the Saqqara Pyramid
- God of Medicine



2630 BC

Great Engineering: 100,000 workers, 2,300,000 blocks of stones, each weighs 2-4 tons



Mummy 木乃伊

Source: *Science in Ancient Egypt*, by Geraldine Woods, 1998.

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4500 year old false teeth held together by gold wire

古埃及以金線固定假牙



Photo of Time Magazine (好相片勝過千言萬語)

中國農村 (Time 03/06)



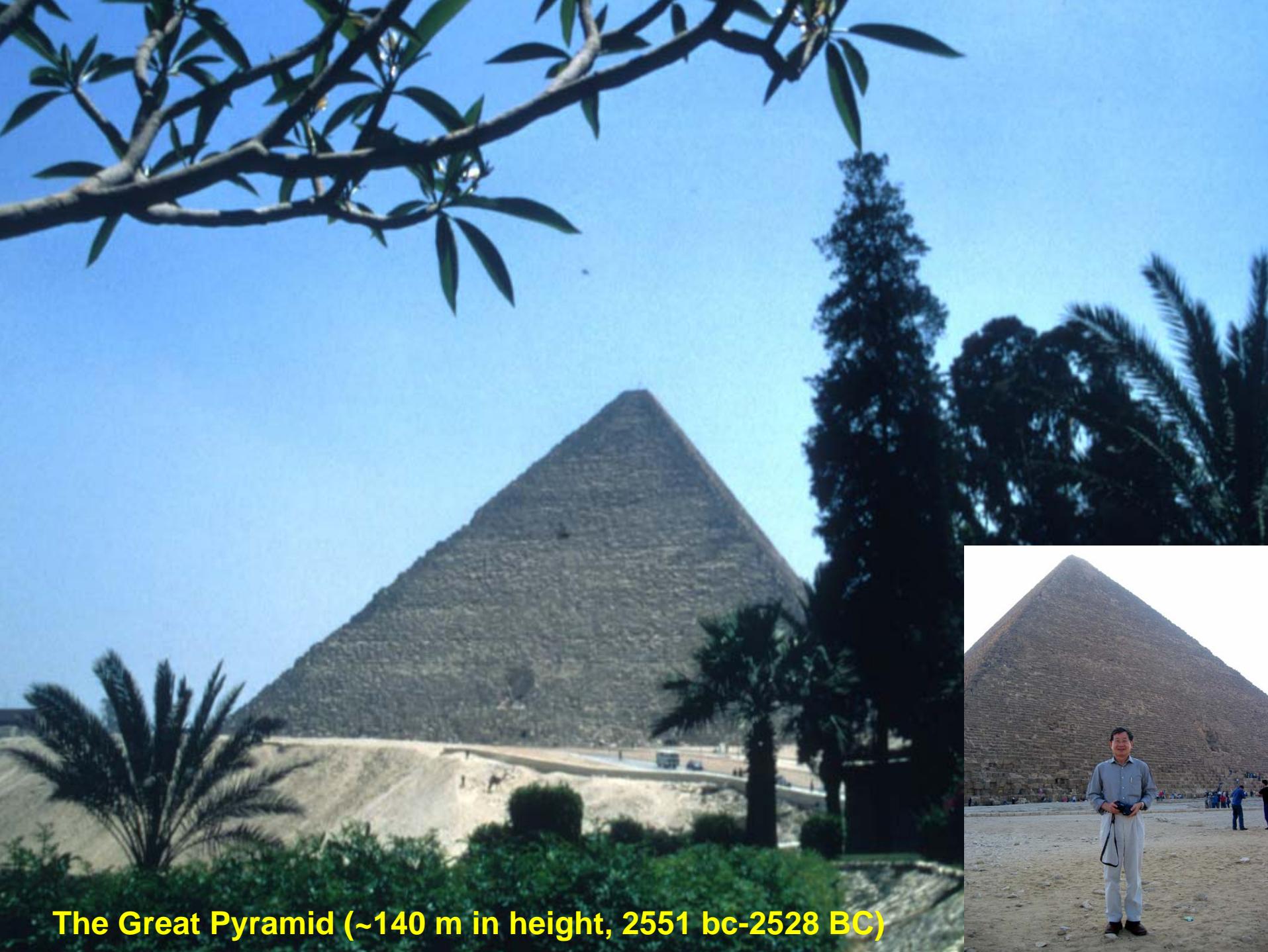
埃及未有拔牙技術，牙痛吃草藥，但
巴基斯坦古代墓地發現九副9000年前
前頭顱，有11顆臼齒上有鑽洞痕跡。
Science in Asia, Feb 2006, p. 18.

現在城鄉差距嚴重，但鄉下
也有拔牙技術

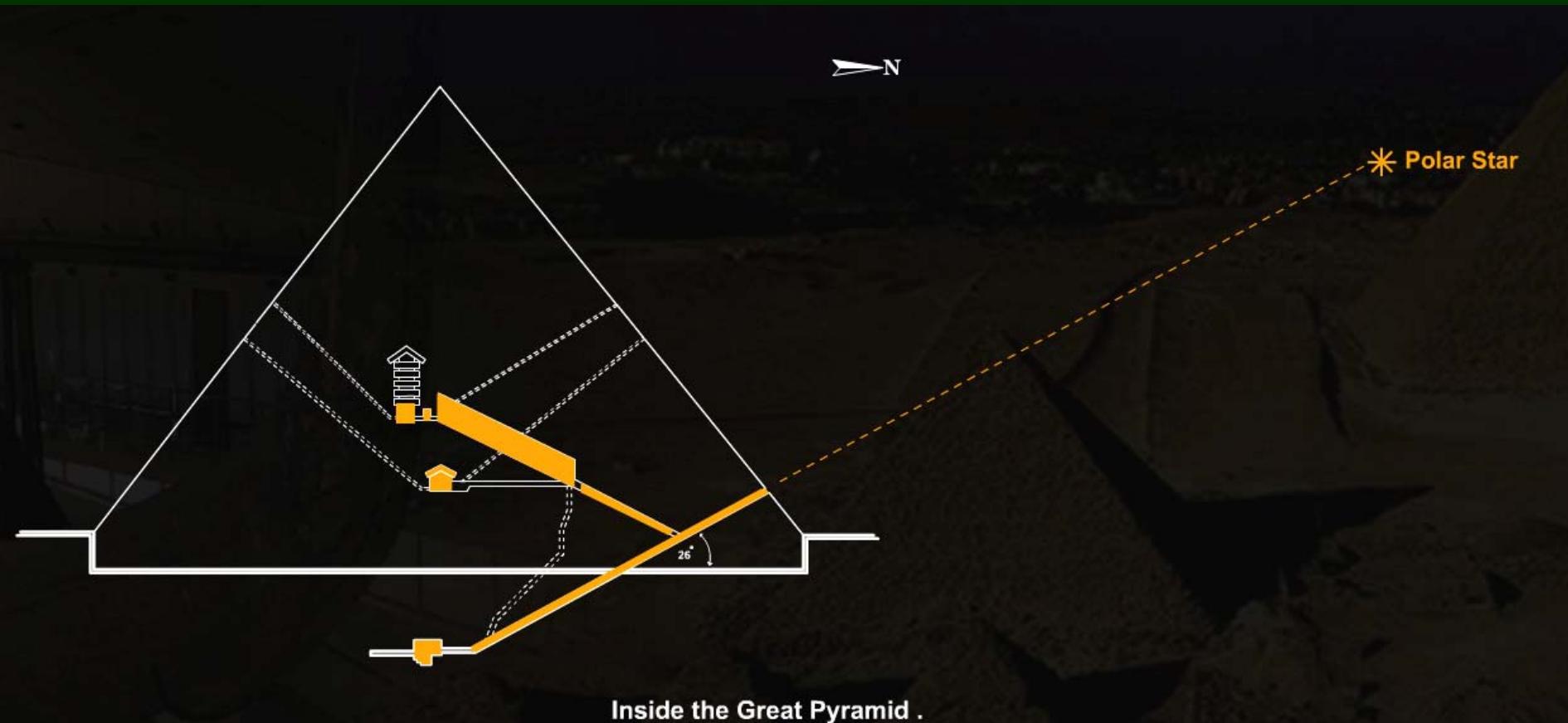


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The Great Pyramid (~140 m in height, 2551 bc-2528 BC)



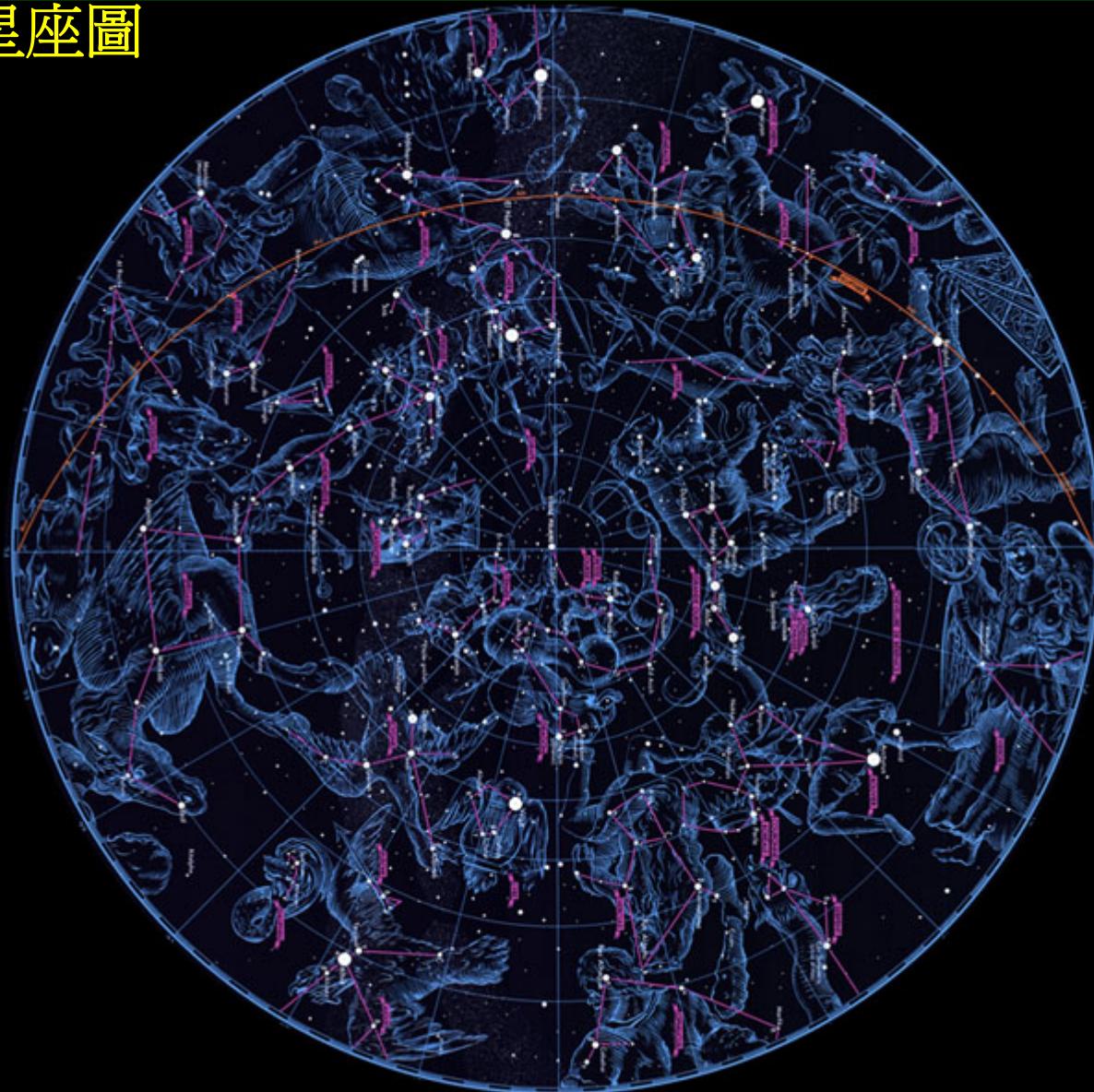
**The Great Pyramid was
built during Khufu's reign.**



埃及古墓

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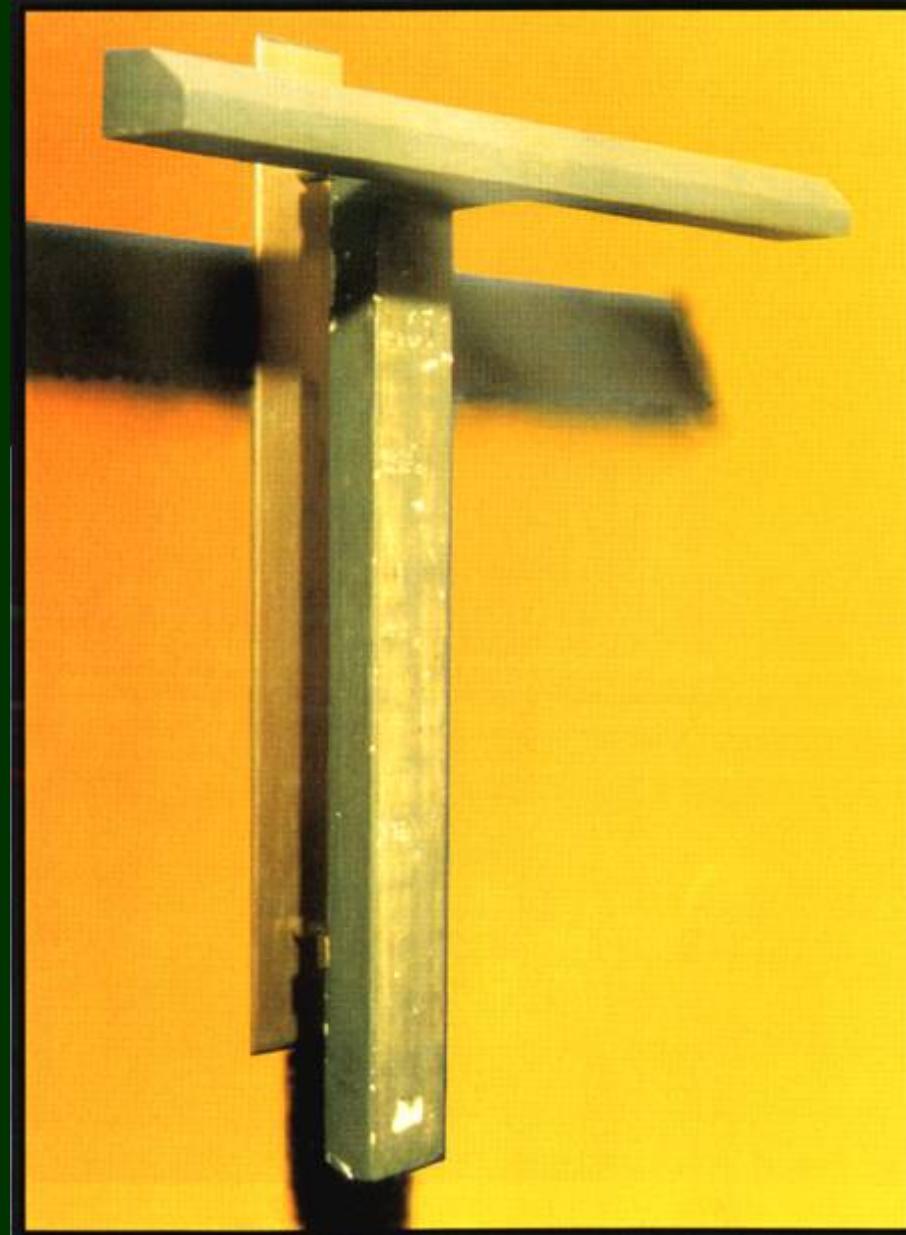
星座圖



House Clocks



For Night and



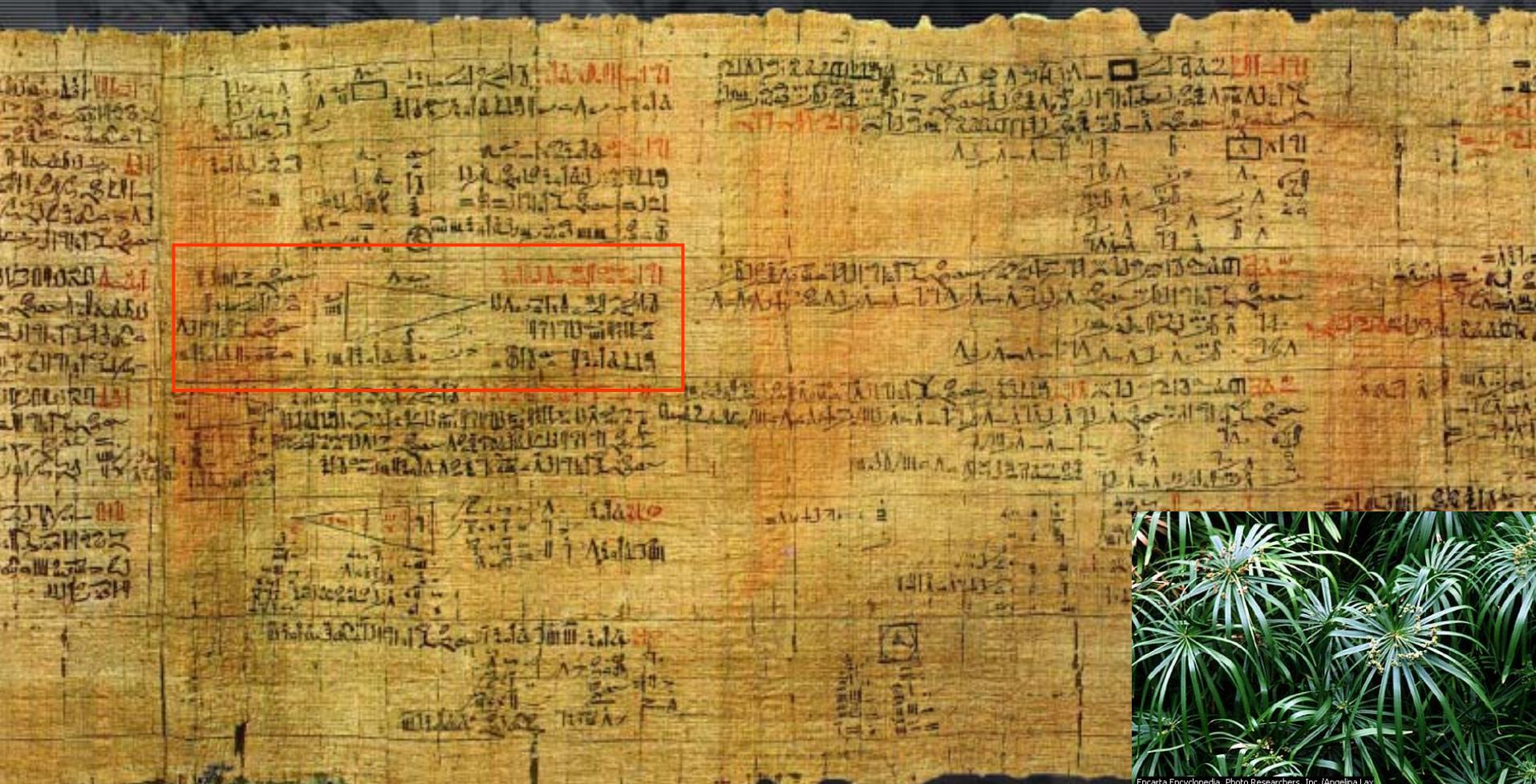
Day

1	I	10	 (head)
2	II	100	 (coiled rope)
3	III	1,000	 (flower)
4	IV	10,000	 (pointing finger)
5	V	100,000	 (tadpole)
6	VI	1,000,000	 (surprised man)
7	VII		
8	VIII		
9	IX		

古埃及已有十進制和數目字

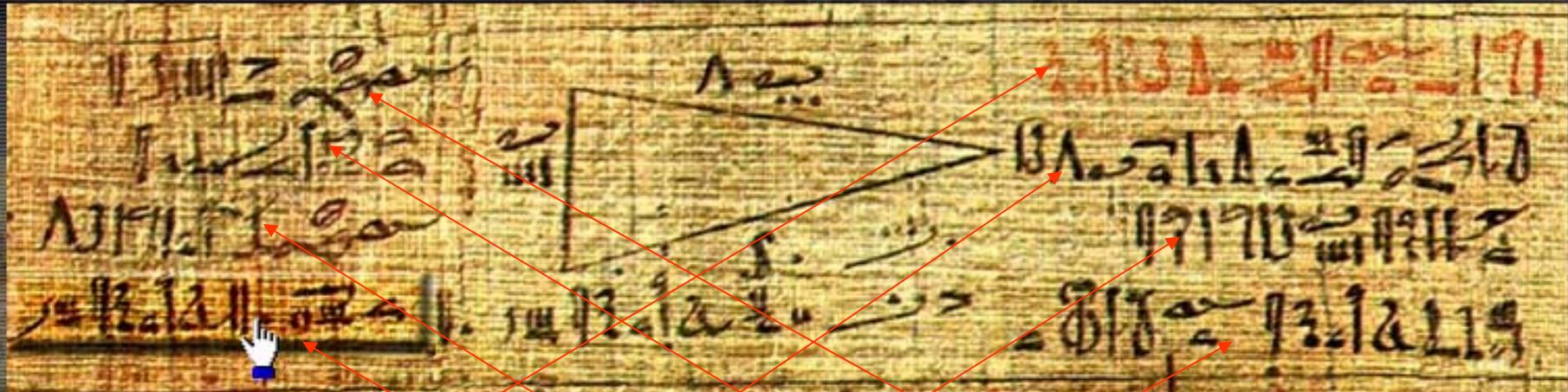
The Rhind Papyrus 紙（莎）草紙書

1650 BC, Mathematical Puzzle 數學難題，數學謎題



Encarta Encyclopedia, Photo Researchers, Inc./Angelina Lax

Written some 3650 years ago, copied from a work about 400 years older



Example of calculating the area of a triangular land

Assume you have a triangle of
height 10 khet

And a base of 4 khet

What is its area?



Take half of the base 4, this gives 2
So that you can square the triangle
Then you multiply 10
Times 2, this will give you
the area

$$\text{圓周} : \pi = 3.16049$$

Passing the torch to Greece

- Many of the great Greeks (e.g. Plato, Pythagoras) visited Egypt to learn from its temples, and soon they built the great edifice of learning in ancient Greece that we all admire to this day.
- 火炬傳至希臘：

很多偉大希臘學者如 Plato, Pythagoras 曾經訪問埃及，學自廟宇，他們很快建立至今我們推崇的古希臘文明。



Pythagoras

582-500 BC

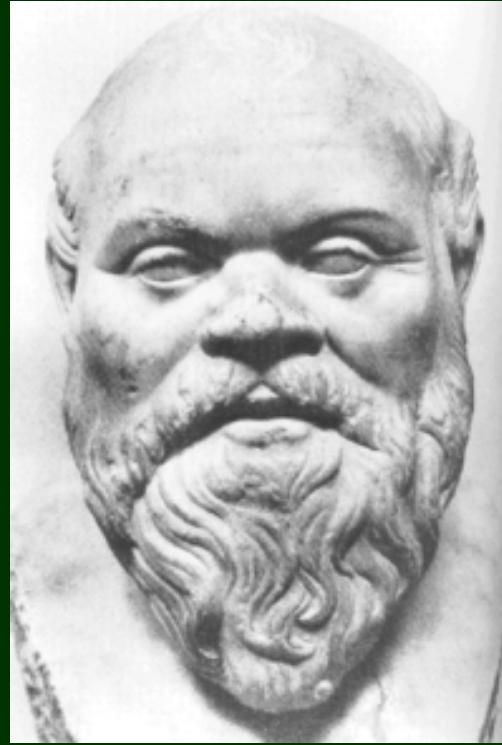
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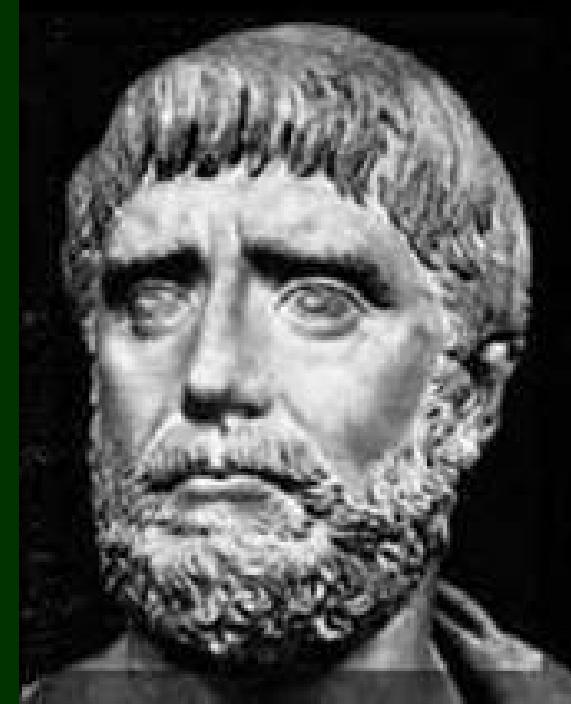
陽曆，365天6小時，幾何



Eudoxus
(~380 BC)



人際和社會倫理

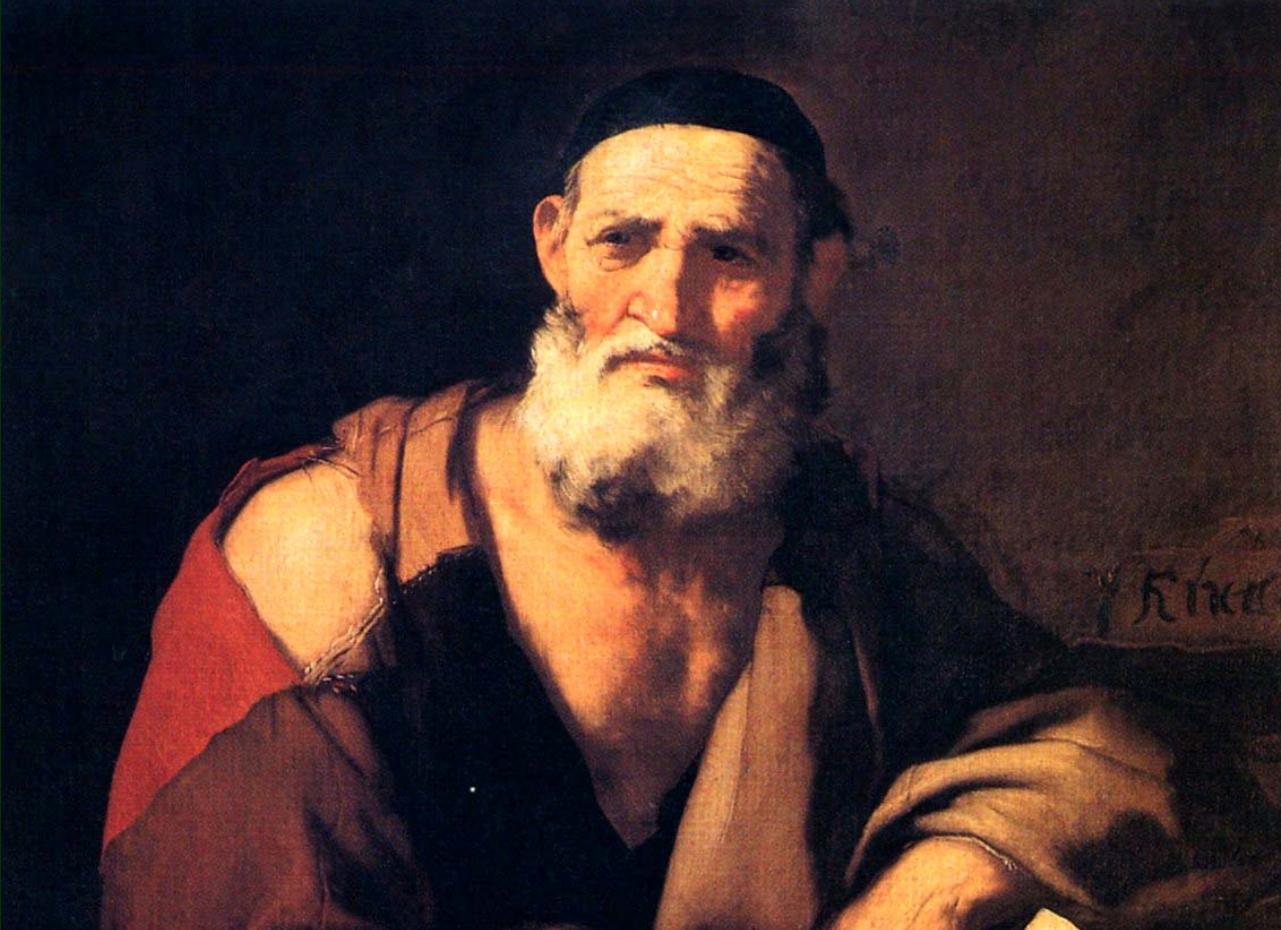


Thales
(~600 BC)

Confucius
(~500 BC)
Socrates
(~440 BC)

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Democritus (~460 BC)

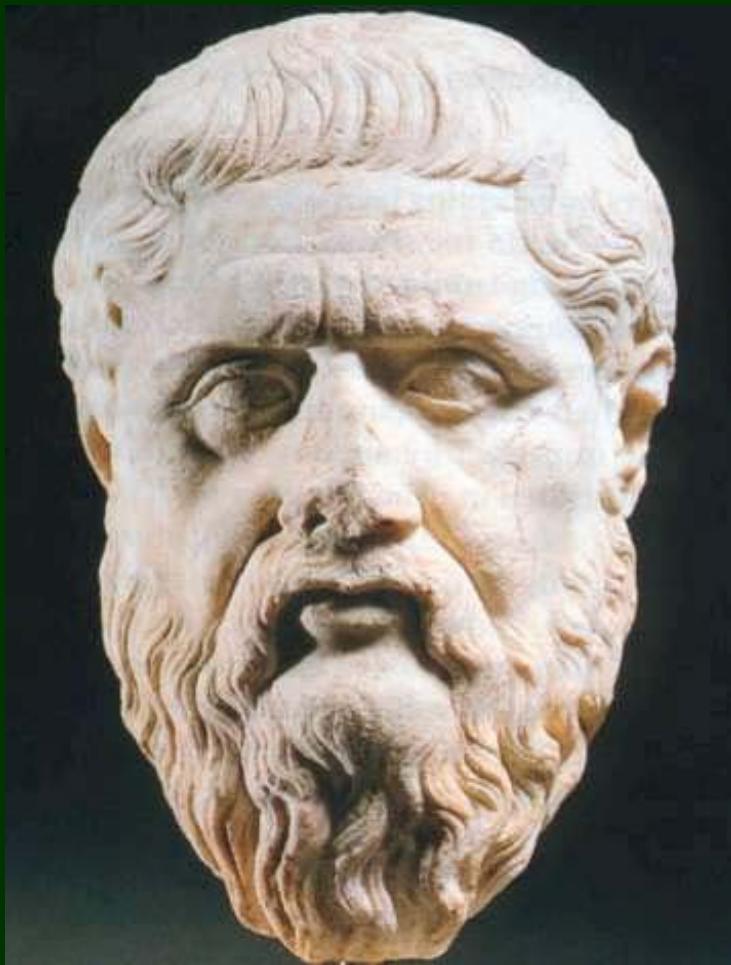
Leucippus (~5C BC) Epicurus (341-271 BC)

原子論：宇宙除了原子之外只有虛無一物的空間

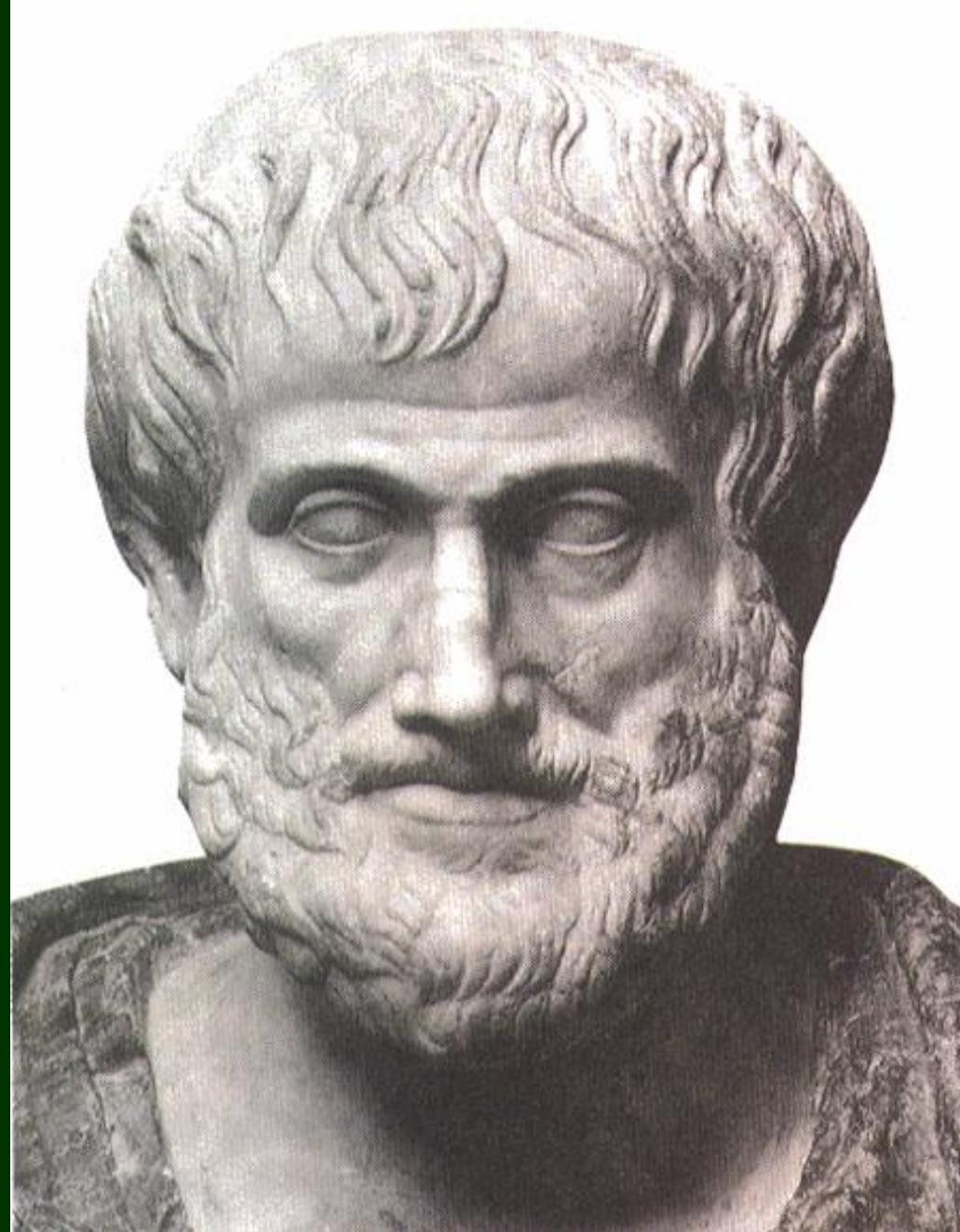
Fifty Years of Seeing Atoms

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Plato (428-347 BC)
Aristotle (384-322 BC)



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Love of Creating New Knowledge

Greek Philosophers and Scientists

Propose, discuss, debate, teach & learn



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The Ancient Library of Alexandria

古亞歷山大古圖書館

**Love of
Conquest**

Alexander the Great

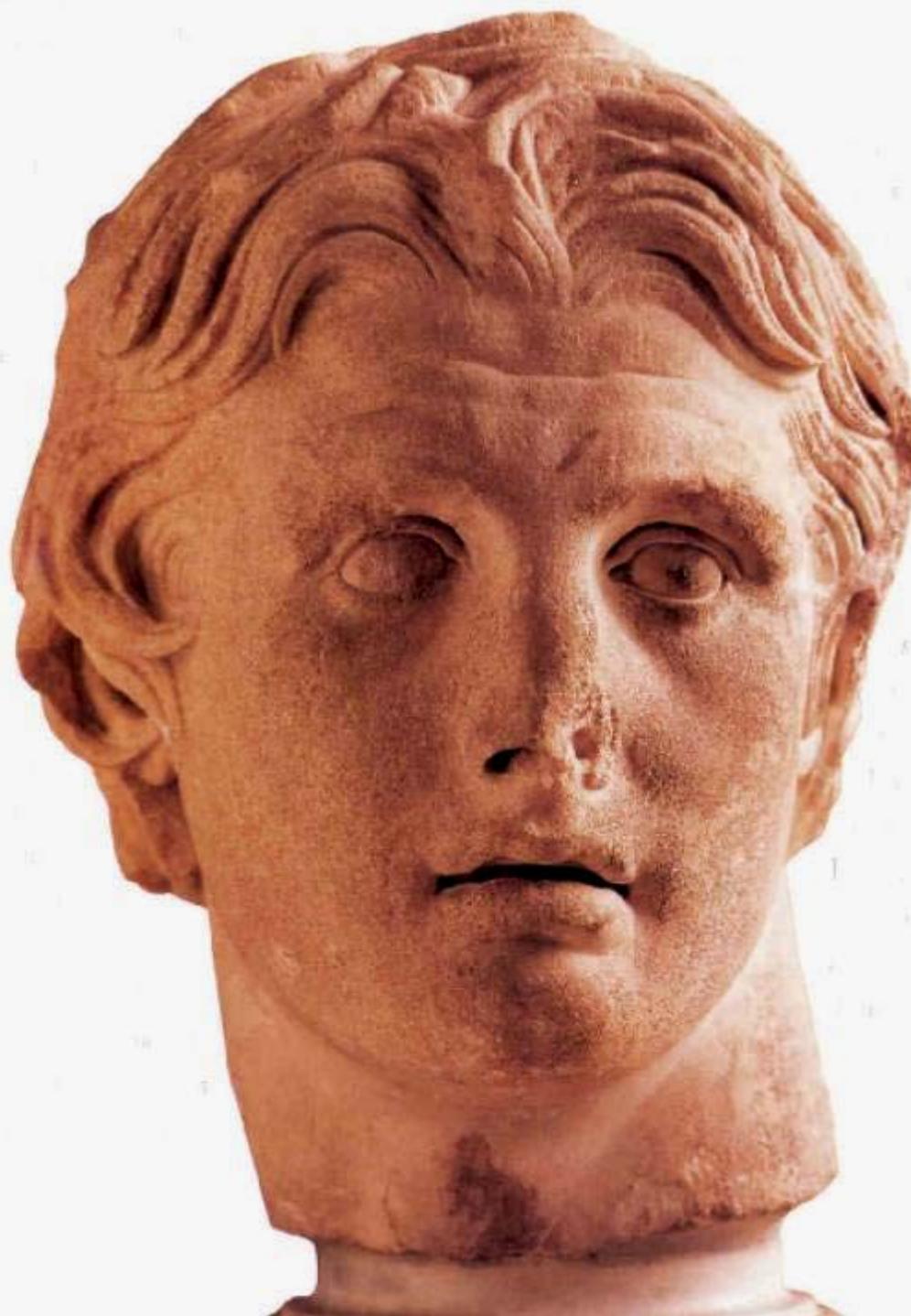
356-323 BC

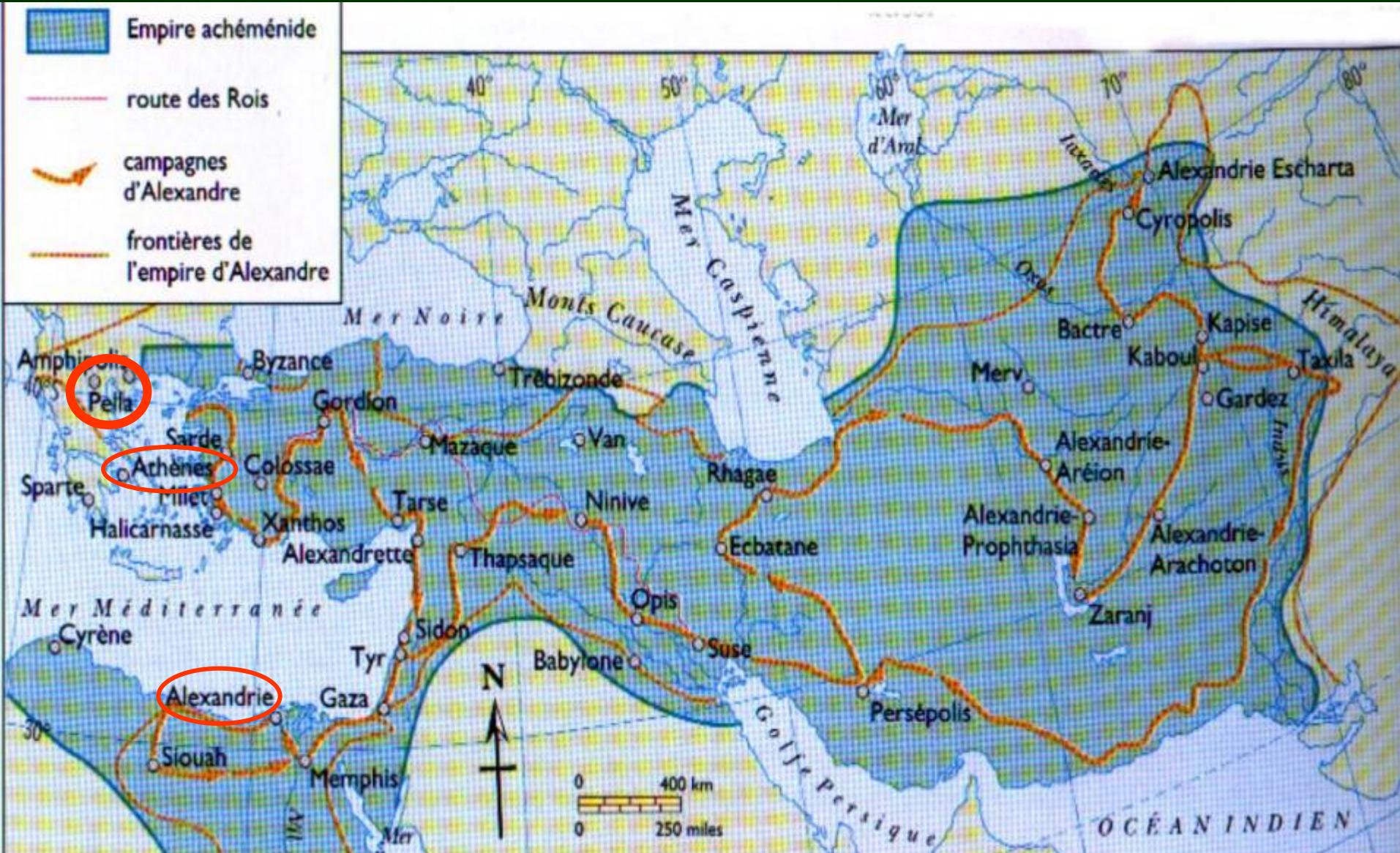
**King of
Macedonia**

**Founded Port of
Alexandria**

建立亞歷山大港

**population of
~300,000**





Modern Map of the Ancient Western World



280 BC

Population:
~300,000

Light house:
143 m tall

One of the 7
wonders of
the world

Destroyed by
earthquake in
14th C.

亞帝扶植了
Ptolemy 王朝

Von Erlach 1721





Library of Alexandria

Founded by Ptolemy I Soter, king of Egypt around ~3rd CBC

Love of Learning



The library
held about
700,000
scrolls,
arranged in
storage
racks



700,000 Scrolls

7- 8 scrolls = 1 book of 300
octavo pages



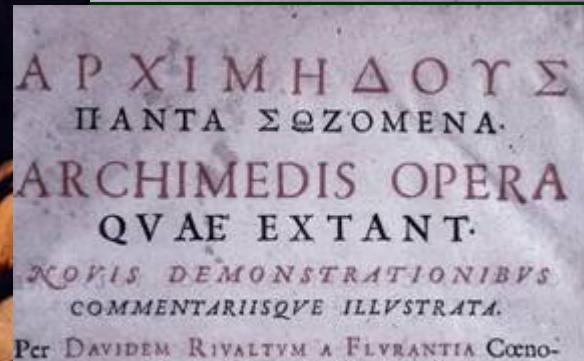
猶太福音

3 or 4 AD



Love of Knowledge: Incoming ships are searched for books and copied.

來船要先被搜查，書
本先抄下後才歸還



1st library & multiversity of the world

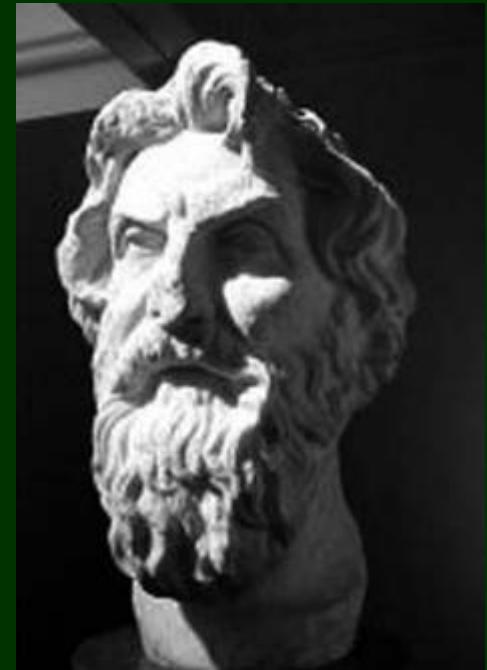
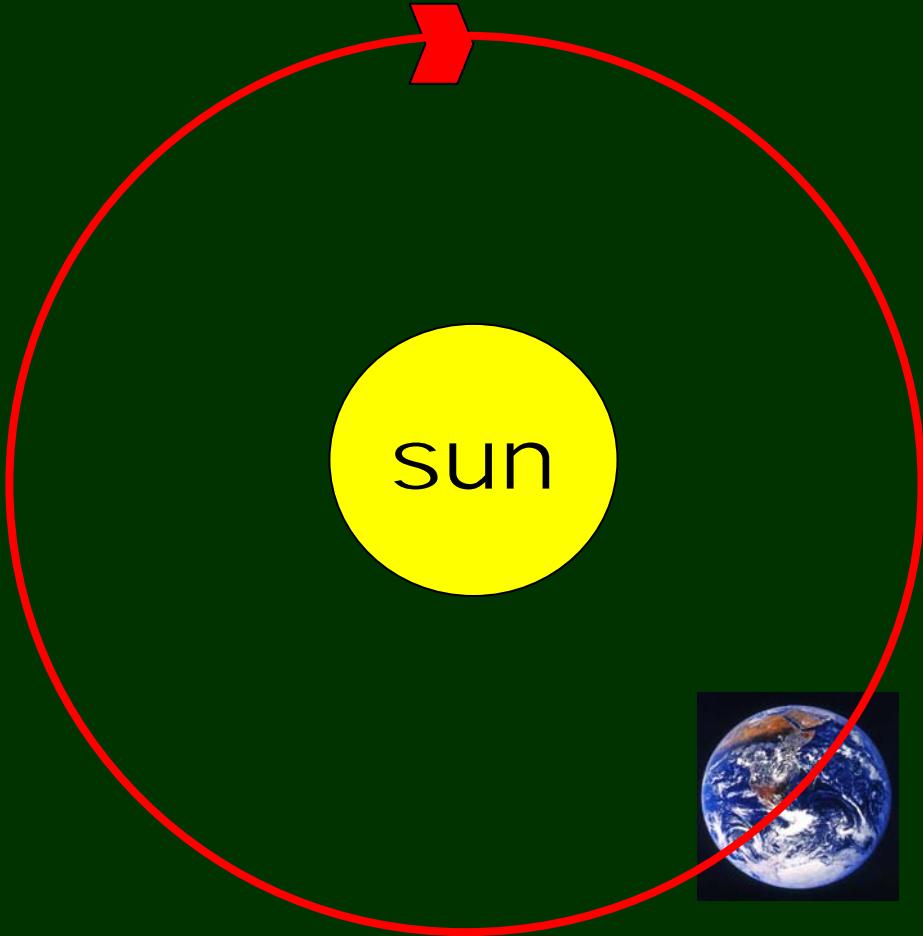
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The Ancient Library Married Greek and Egyptian Science with Asian Elements Added

**亞歷山大古圖書館結合古希臘和埃及科
學，並具東方色彩**

The Ancient Library
Then Produced An Explosion Of
Knowledge Unmatched in History

亞歷山大港古圖書館激發了史上
無可比擬的知識遽增

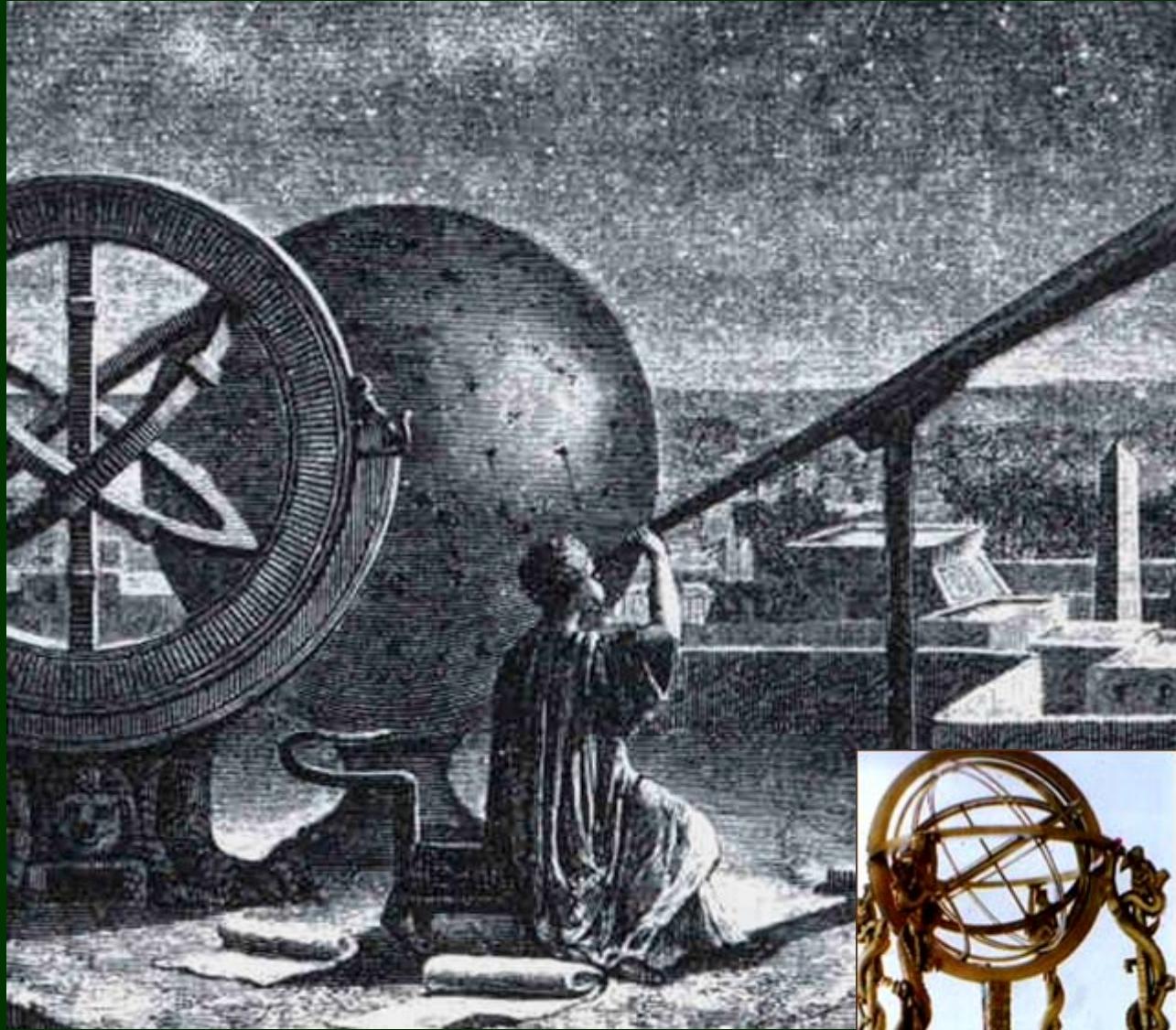


ARISTARCHUS
(310 BC – 230 BC)

地球繞著太陽轉學說

Hipparchus

2nd Century BC,
calculated the
length of the year
to within 6 1/2
minutes, compiled
the first known star
catalog, and made
an early
formulation of
trigonometry (計算一年天數，紀錄星譜，創造三角).



張衡（東漢，78-139 AD），地震儀，渾天儀～130 A

Eratosthenes

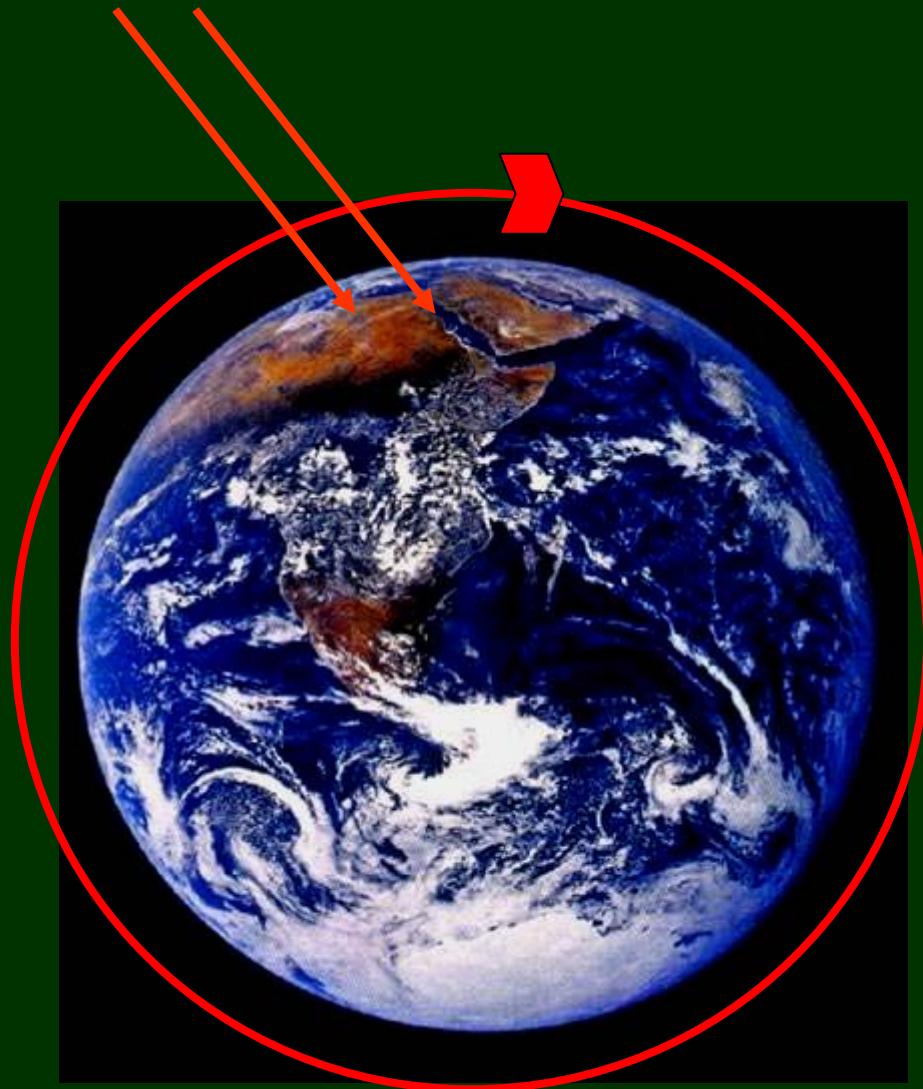
(276 BC-194BC)



- Third Director of the Library
- Brought Archimedes
- 錯誤：鍊金術
- Tasked Callimachus
- Beta Scholar
- Father of Geography
- Grammarian

Eratosthenes As Astronomer

- Measured the distance to the sun as 804,000,000 stadia (測量地球到太陽之距離)
- Measured the distance to the Moon as 780,000 stadia. (測量地球到月球之距離)
- He computed these distances using data obtained during lunar eclipses. (從月蝕時得到的數據計算而得這些距離)
- Measured the tilt of the Earth's axis with great accuracy obtaining the value of $11/83$ of 180° , namely $23^\circ 51' 15''$. (測量地球自旋角度)



Eratosthenes

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Illumination from the Sun

Alexandria
(short shadow on solstice)



Eratosthenes
240 BC
Calculates diameter
of the Earth

Illumination from the Sun

Syene
(no shadow on solstice)

Curved surface of Earth

How accurate?

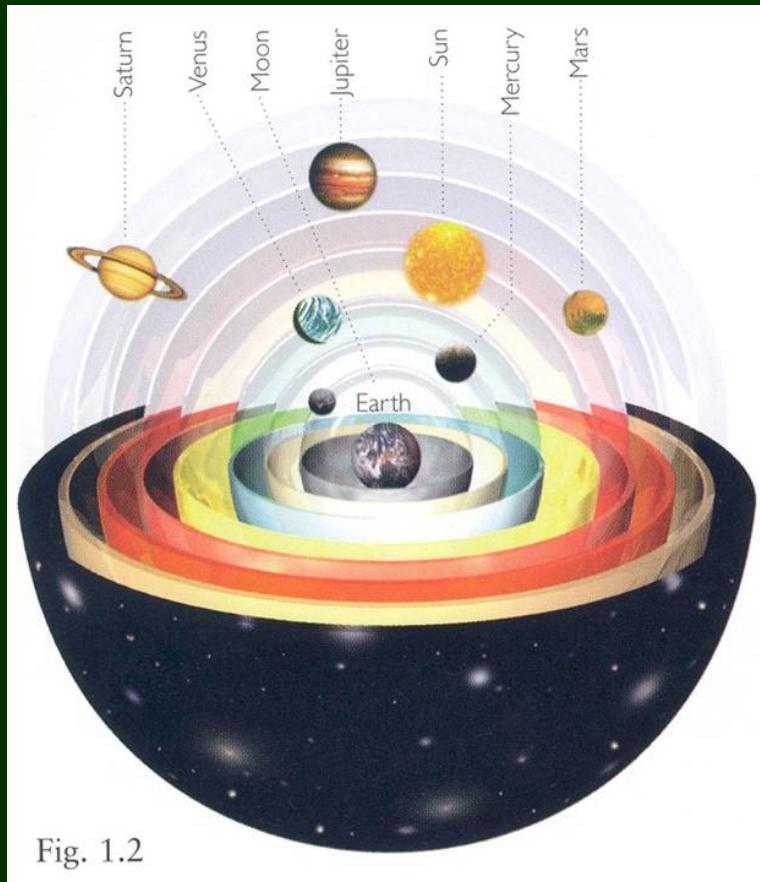
- Circumference of the earth: 250,000 stadia
@ 157.2 m = 39,300 Km
98.25 % of present value
- Distance to the sun: 804,000,000 stadia @
157.2 m = 126 million Kms
84.25% of present value

Eratosthenes Maps The world



Claudius Ptolemy

(65-125 AD)



地球中心論

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The Earth At The Center Of The Cosmos



Established the calendar

- The year 365.25 days long
- Leap years
- Became the basis for the Julian calendar

Euclid

(~300 BC)

Greek, but taught
geometry in
Alexandria.

13 volumes

Elements

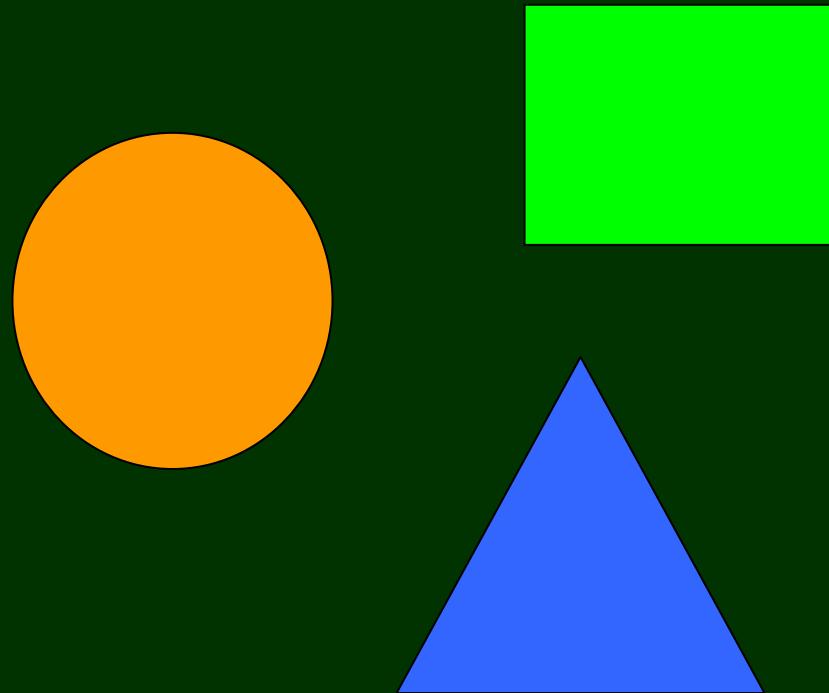
mathematics
books



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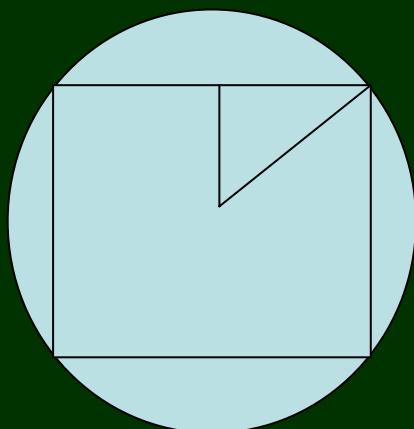
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Euclid --



Elements of Geometry

n 角形



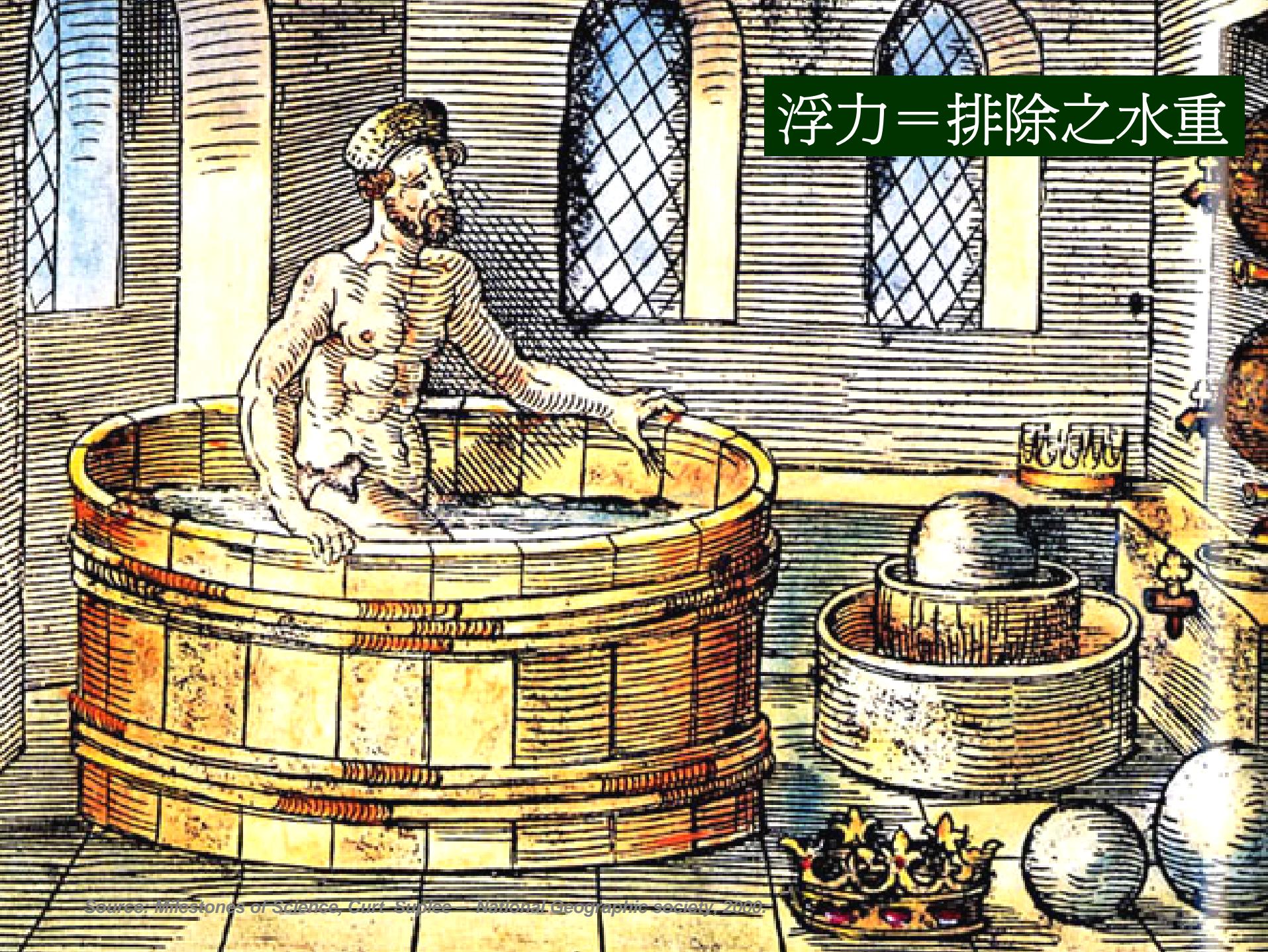
讓 n 趨於無限大，可求 π 值

π 是希臘文圓周的第一字母



Archimedes (287-212 BC)
Educated in Alexandria

浮力=排除之水重

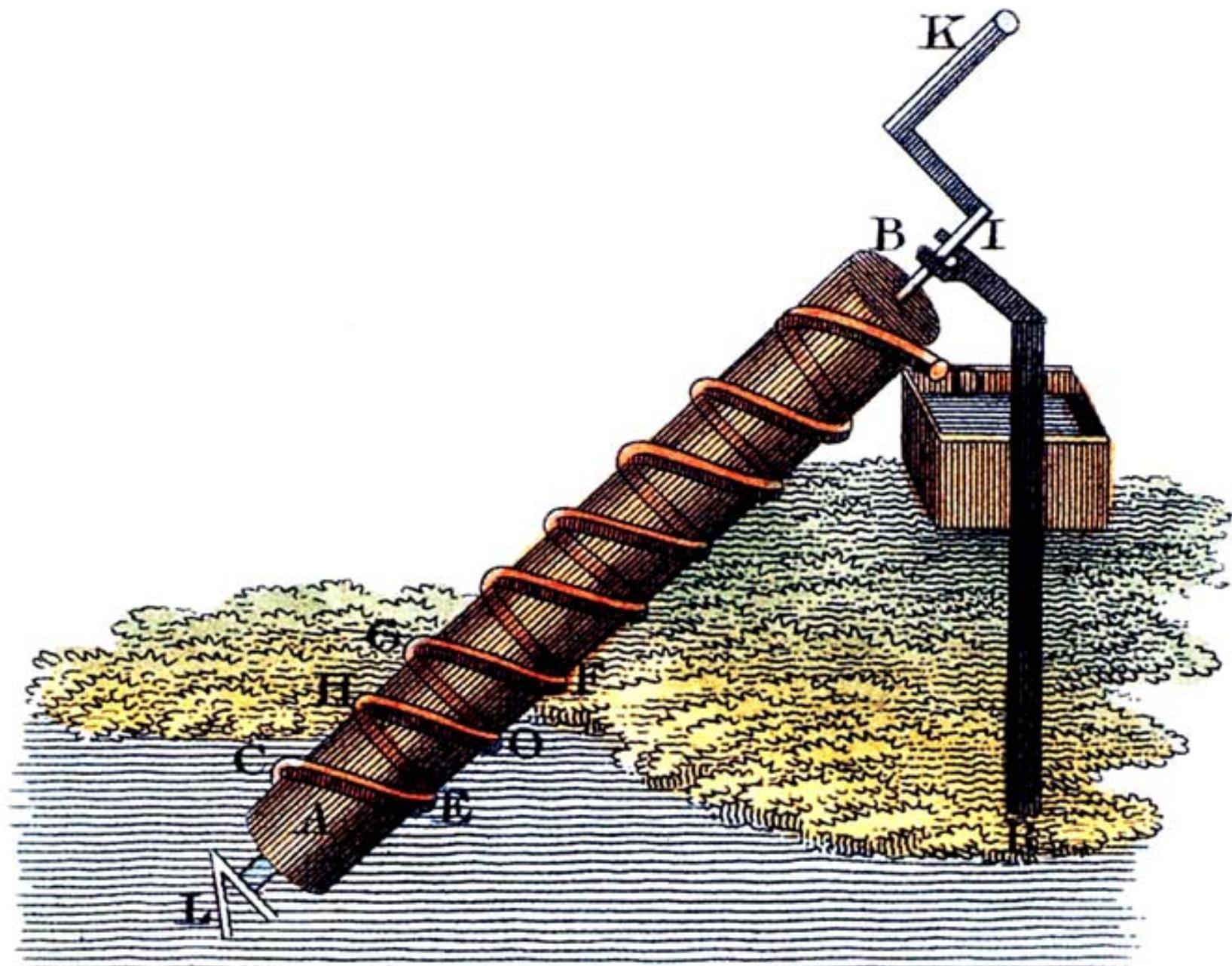




擳桿原理

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五結鄉利澤國中從書中記載，委託廠商重製**2000**多年前希臘科學家阿基米德抽水機，引水灌溉農園。



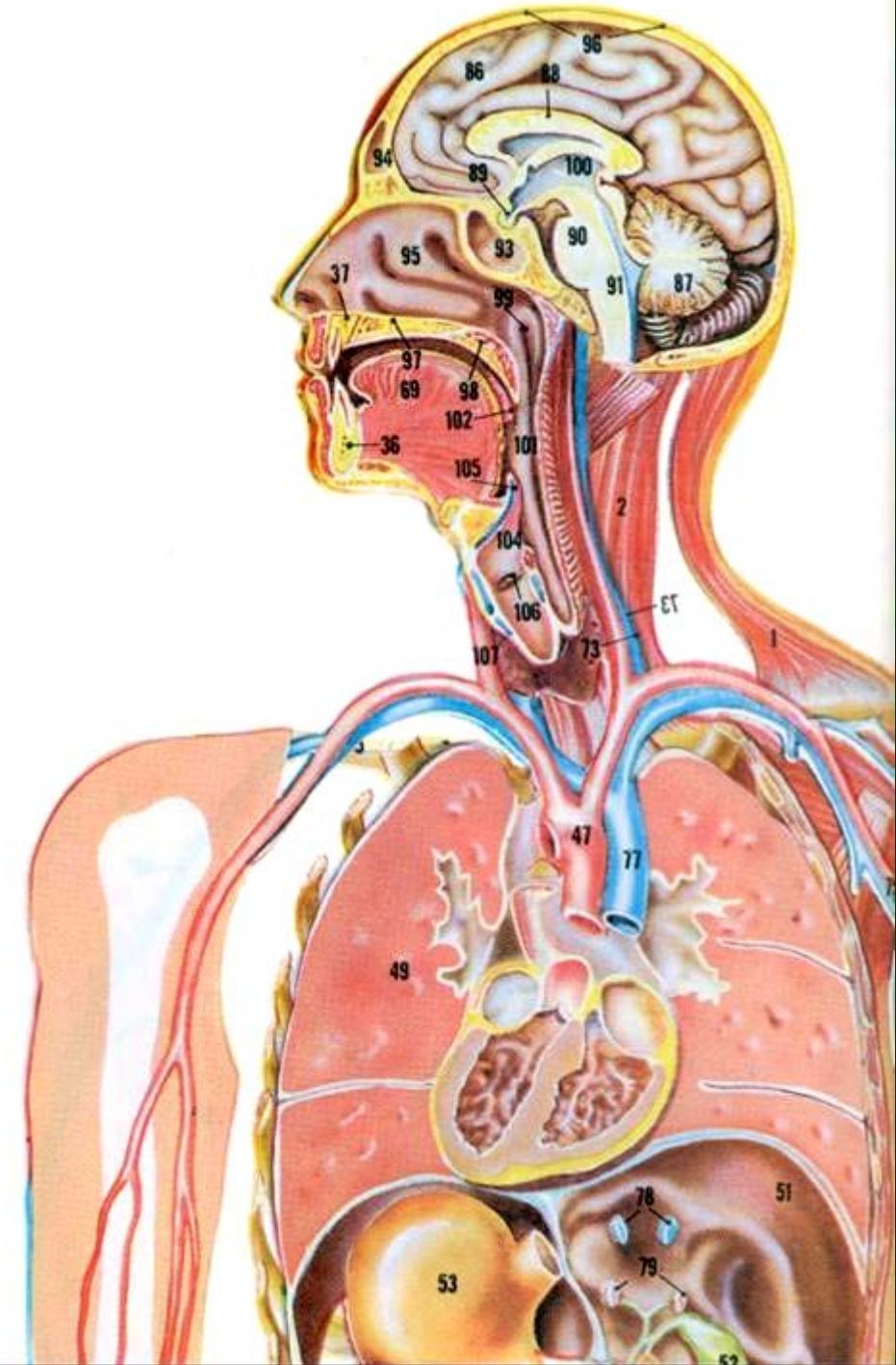
Herophilus

335-280 BC

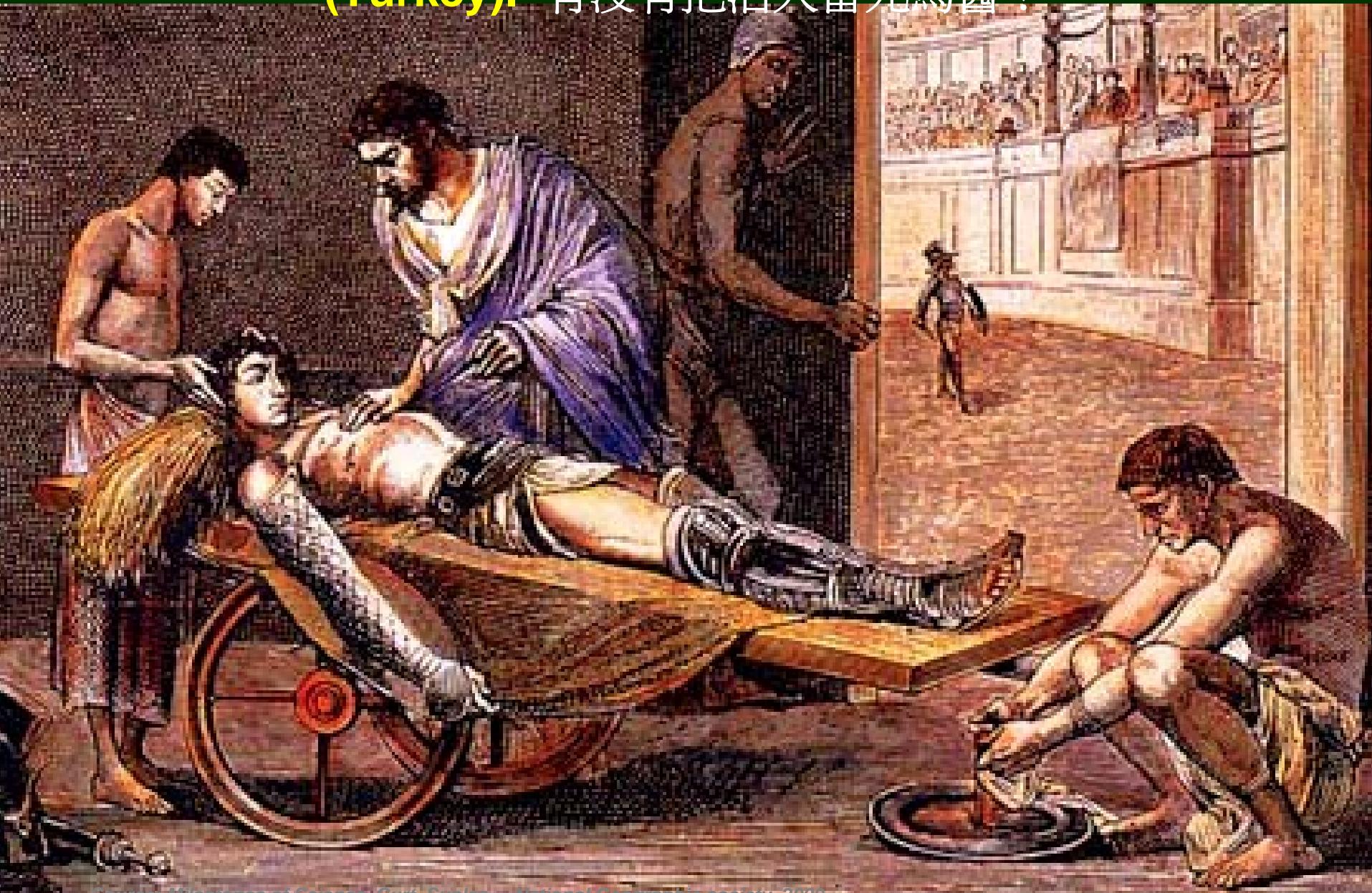
Father of Science Anatomy

Conducted detailed post-mortems and identified parts of the brain and the circulatory system

屍體解剖學，腦與循環系統



Galen served as a doctor to gladiators in Pergamom (Turkey). 有沒有把活人當死馬醫？



Dioscorides Herbarium

- Eminent figures relied for centuries on this catalogue of herbal treatments

中草藥或漢藥
動物生病也會找草藥



真正歷史比小說或戲劇有趣



Julius Caesar 凱撒

100-44 BC

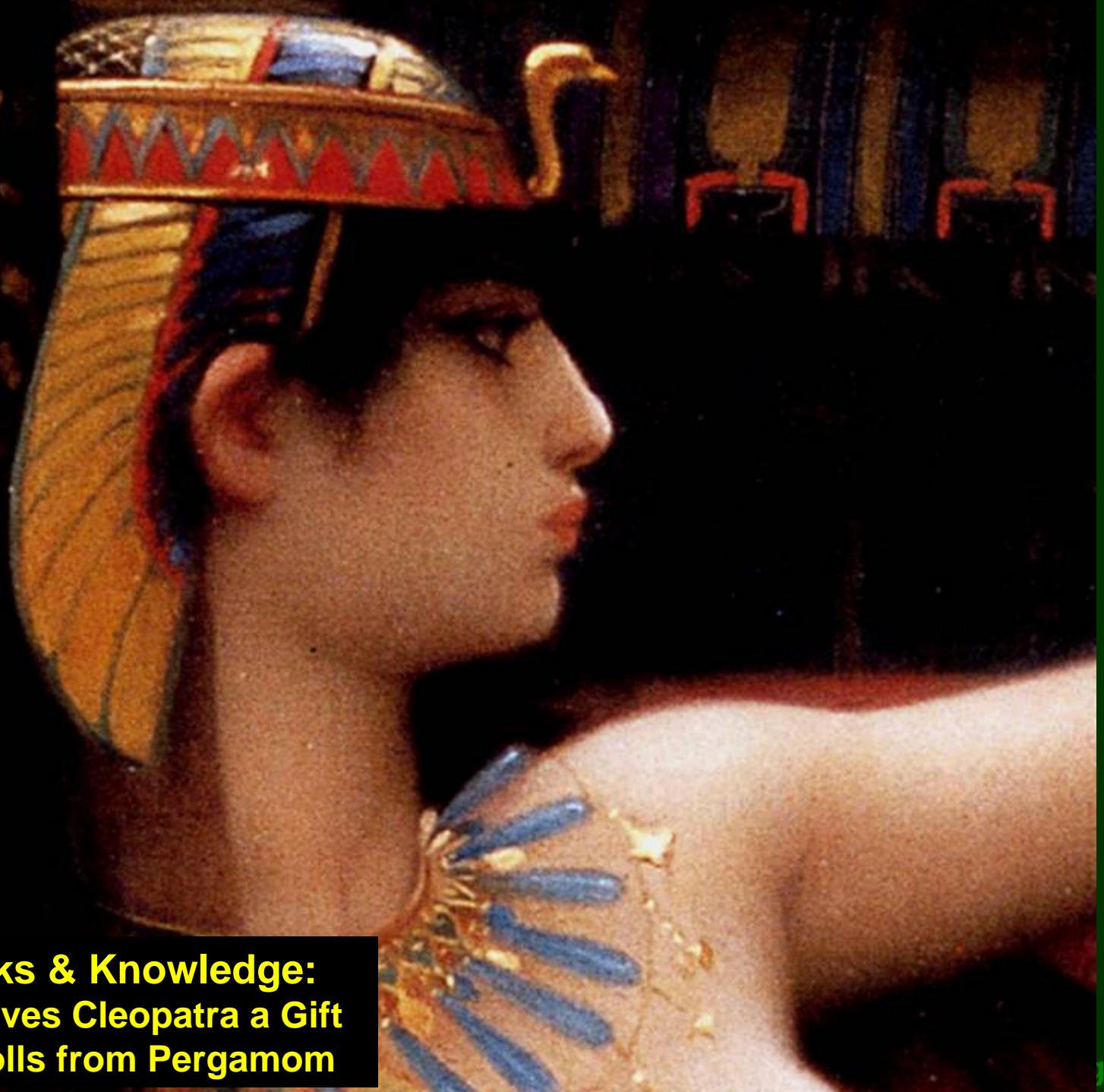
Cleopatra 埃及豔后

69-30 BC

Love of Power



Assassination of Caesar (100-44 BC) by Cassius & Brutus



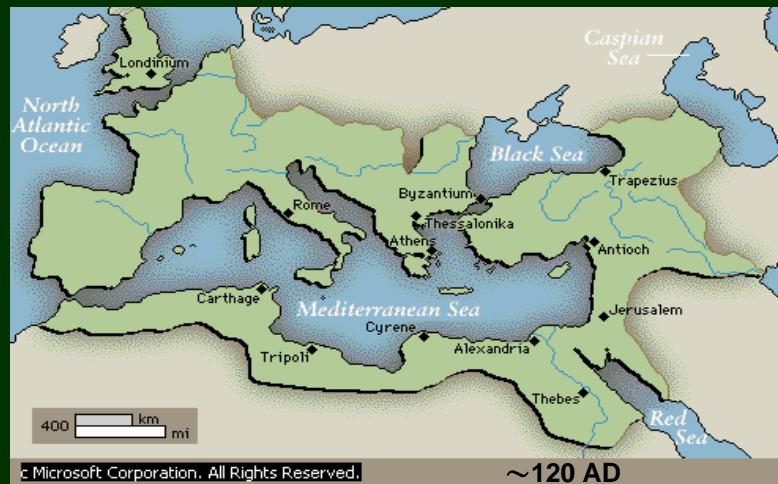
**Love of Books & Knowledge:
Mark Antony Gives Cleopatra a Gift
of 200,000 Scrolls from Pergamom**



Die for Love?: Mark Anthony (83-30 BC) & Cleopatra (39 yr old)
Ptolemy 王朝從此滅亡

30 BC-200 AD

- Egypt becomes a Roman Province (Octavian/Augustus 30 BC) 成爲羅馬帝國一省
- Emergence of Christianity, St. Marc preaches in Alexandria mid 1st C AD 基督教的進入
- Persecution of Christians in Egypt 基督徒被迫害
- Riots, fires, civil strife in late second and early third centuries 動亂與大火
- Arab influence & rule 阿拉伯勢力的引入與統治



Reassembling The Lost Knowledge

重新尋找收集遺失的知識

- Al-Ma'amun and Beit Al Hikma
- Enormous support for learning
- Huge translation program
- In 70 years, Arabic would become the language of learning

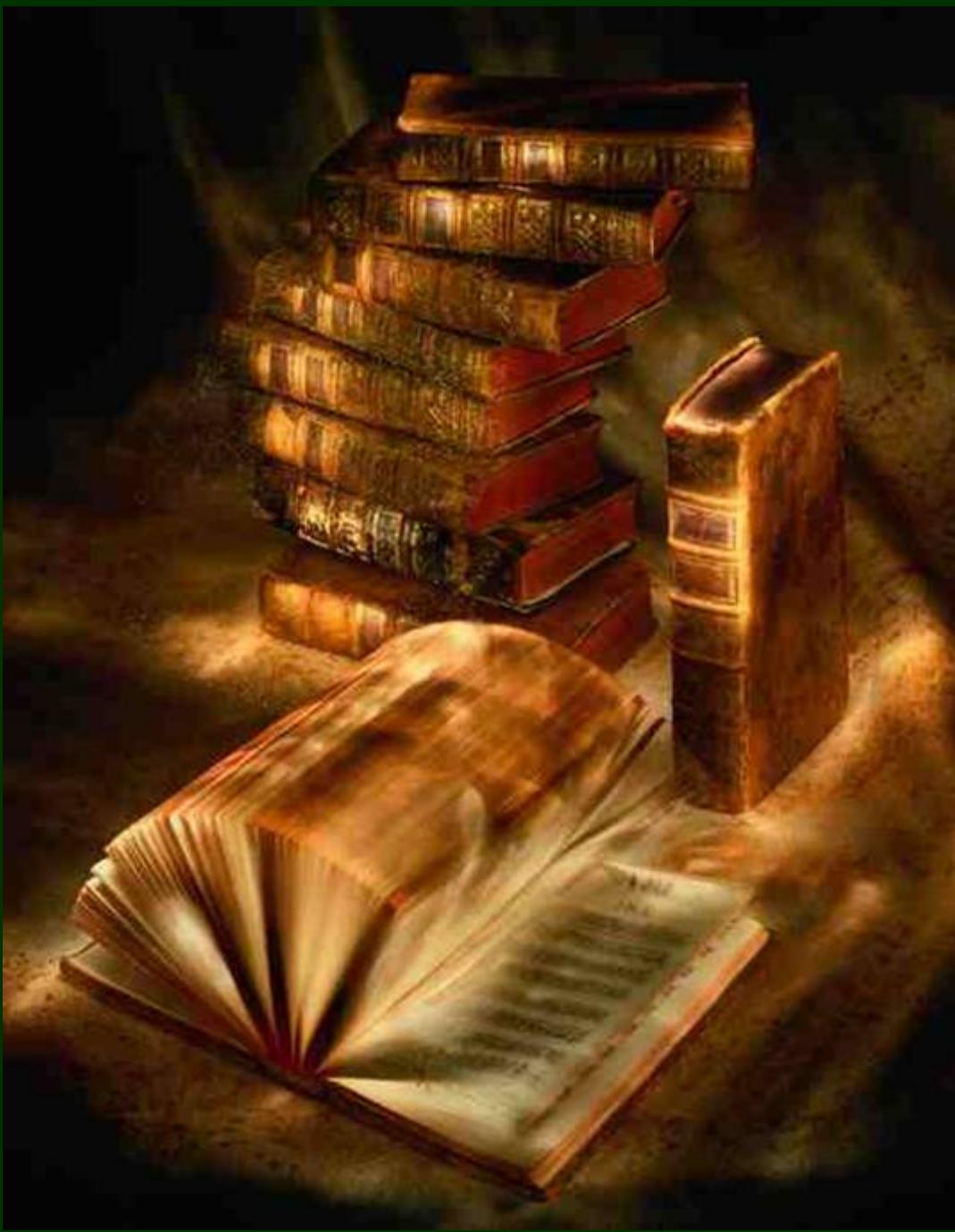
Reassembling Lost Manuscripts

蔡倫造紙：105 AD

第八世紀傳至歐洲，第九世紀自己製造





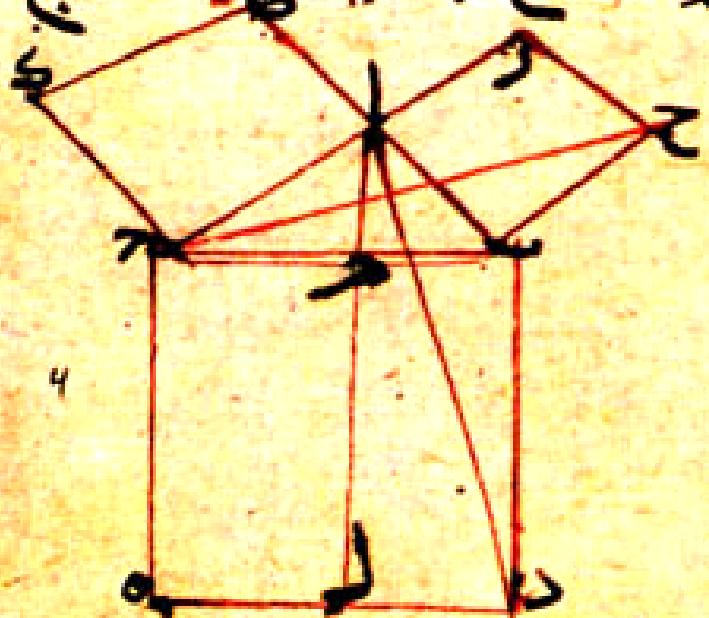


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زاوية - آن إقليل زاوية - آن القائمه ونقطه لامجاله سـحـ
 عـاهـ وينقسم بـأمورـعـ آن الإسـطـمـ آن لـحـ وـنـصـلـ
 حـ آـدـ فـلـانـ فـمـلـتـيـ حـ حـ آـدـ ضـلـعـ حـ آـدـ
 وزـاوـيـحـ سـحـ مـساـوـيـهـ لـضـلـعـ آـدـ سـدـوـرـاوـيـهـ آـدـ
 كـيـونـ لـلـثـلـانـ فـمـساـوـيـهـ وـمـلـكـ حـ بـيـاـوـيـهـ نـصـمـرـجـ

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رـآـنـ لـلـقـاءـ عـلـىـ قـلـعـةـ آـدـ
 حـ آـدـ مـرـتـواـزـ حـ آـدـ
 رـآـنـ وـكـلـكـ لـلـسـرـآـدـ آـدـ
 يـاـوـيـهـ لـضـفـحـ طـ آـدـ
 لـكـونـهـاـ عـلـىـ قـاعـدـ آـدـ
 سـمـواـرـ مـكـ آـدـ
 فـرـيعـ رـآـنـ يـاـوـيـهـ

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سـطـ آـدـ لـلـسـاوـيـهـ نـصـفـهـماـ وـهـلـاـ ذـلـكـ نـهـرـعـ طـ حـ بـيـارـيـ
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Source: The Oxford Dictionary of Islam, edited by John L. Esposito. Oxford University Press, 1990.

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Dioskorides' medicinal plants

Translated in the
9th Century,
recopied many
times (this copy is
from 11th Century)



Medieval Libraries Flourished

中世紀圖書館 興旺 (note stacks of books in alcoves)

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The 9th Century Revival

文化在阿拉伯興旺

- Jabir Ibn Haiyan (Geber) - Chemistry - (Died 803 C.E).
- Ali Ibn Rabban Al-Tabari - Medicine, Mathematics, Calligraphy - (838-870)
- Al-Razi (Rhazes) - Medicine, Ophthalmology, Smallpox , Chemistry, Astronomy - (864-930)
- Al-Farabi (Al Pharabius) - Sociology, Logic, Philosophy, Political Science, Music -(870-950)
- Abu Al-Qasim Al-Zahravi (Albucasis) - Surgery, Medicine - (936-1013)

Jabir Ibn Hayyan



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(Geber) - Chemistry
- (Died 803 C.E.).
- Alchemy and
Chemistry

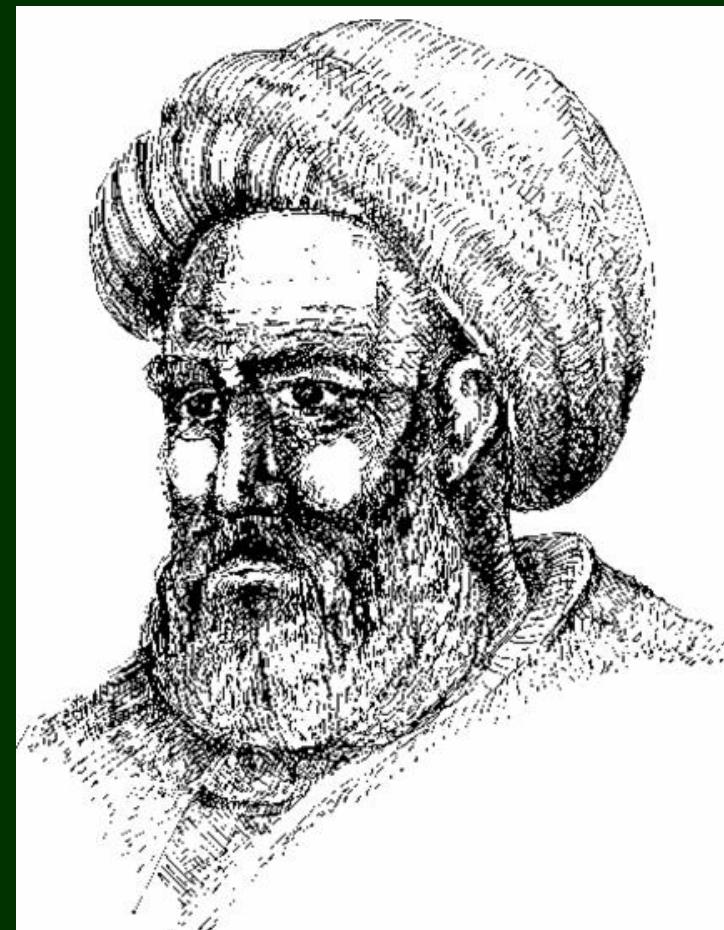
Al Razi

- Al-Razi (Rhazes) -
Medicine,
Ophthalmology,
Smallpox ,
Chemistry,
Astronomy - (864-
930)



Farabi

- Al-Farabi (Al Pharabius) - Sociology, Logic, Philosophy, Political Science, Music -(870-950)



Zahravi (936 – 1013)

- Abu Al-Qasim Al-Zahravi
(Albucasis) -
Surgery, Medicine
- (936-1013)

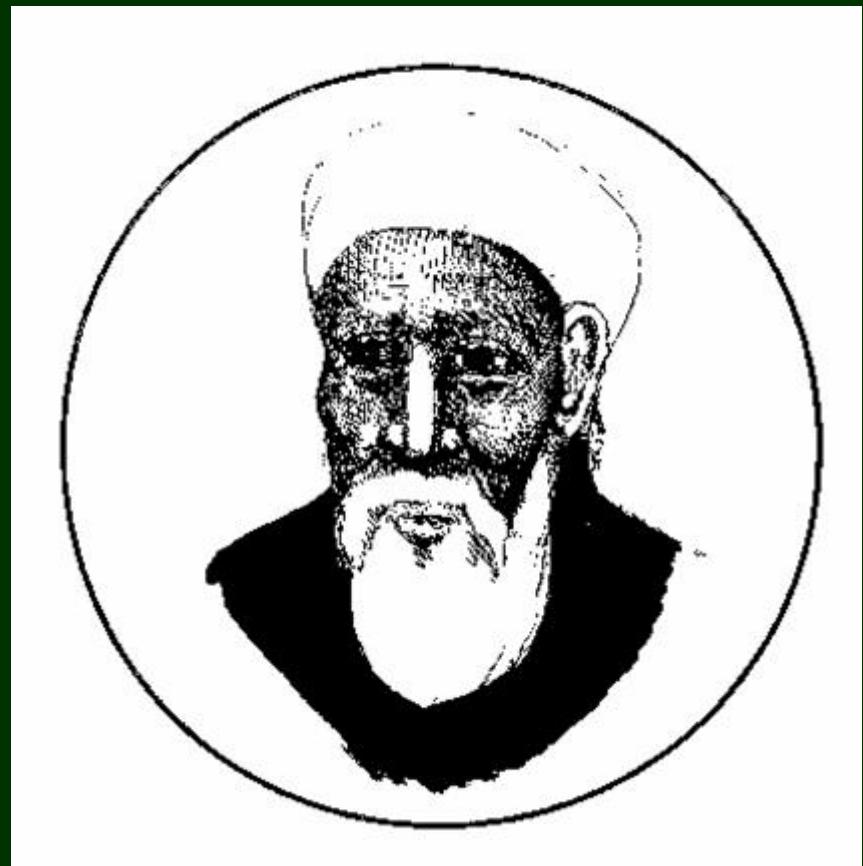


The 10th – 13th Centuries from Persia (Iran) and Iraq

- Muhammad Al-Buzjani - Mathematics, Astronomy - (940-997)
- Abu Raihan Al-Biruni - Astronomy, Mathematics, determined Earth's circumference - (973-1048)
- Ibn Sina (Avicenna) - Medicine, Philosophy, Mathematics, Astronomy - (986-1037)
- Omar Al-Khayyam - Mathematics, Poetry - (1044-1123)
- Nasir Al-Din Al-Tusi - Astronomy, Non-Euclidean Geometry - (1201-1274)

Buzjani

- Muhammad Al-Buzjani - Mathematics, Astronomy - (940-997)



Al Biruni

- Abu Raihan Al-Biruni -
Astronomy,
Mathematics,
determined Earth's
circumference - (973-
1048)
- Some time after 1017
he went to India and
made a
comprehensive study
of its culture.



Khayyam

- Omar Al-Khayyam
 - Mathematics,
Poetry - (1044-
1123)



Rubaiyyat (詩)

Omar Khayyam:

(c. 1050-1122) is better known as poet, but he was brilliant in mathematics and astronomy too!



Al Tusi

- Nasir Al-Din Al-Tusi
 - Astronomy, Non-Euclidean Geometry - (1201-1274)
- Worked with Hulagu, built the Maragha observatory that became a famous school



Al Tusi's Maragha Observatory (13th C)

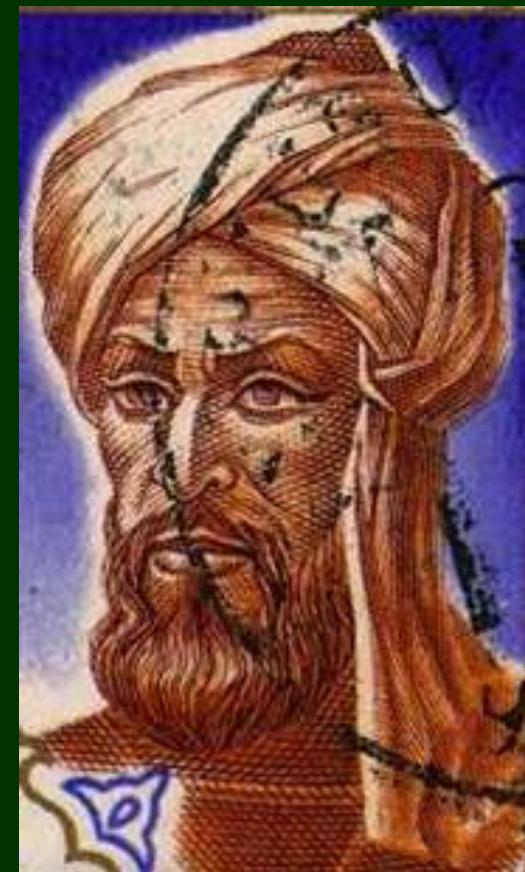
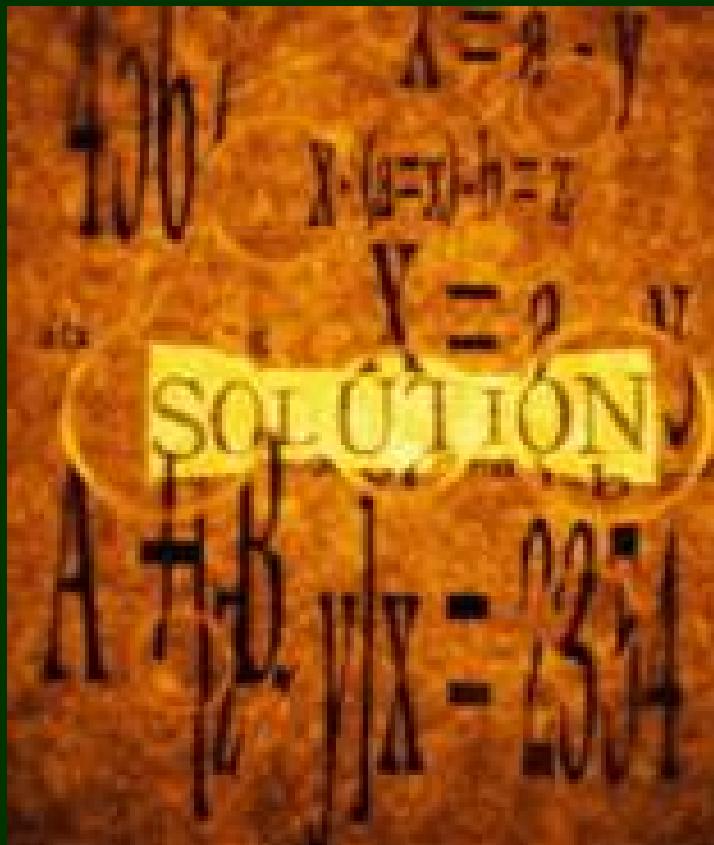


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Al Khwarizmi and Algebra

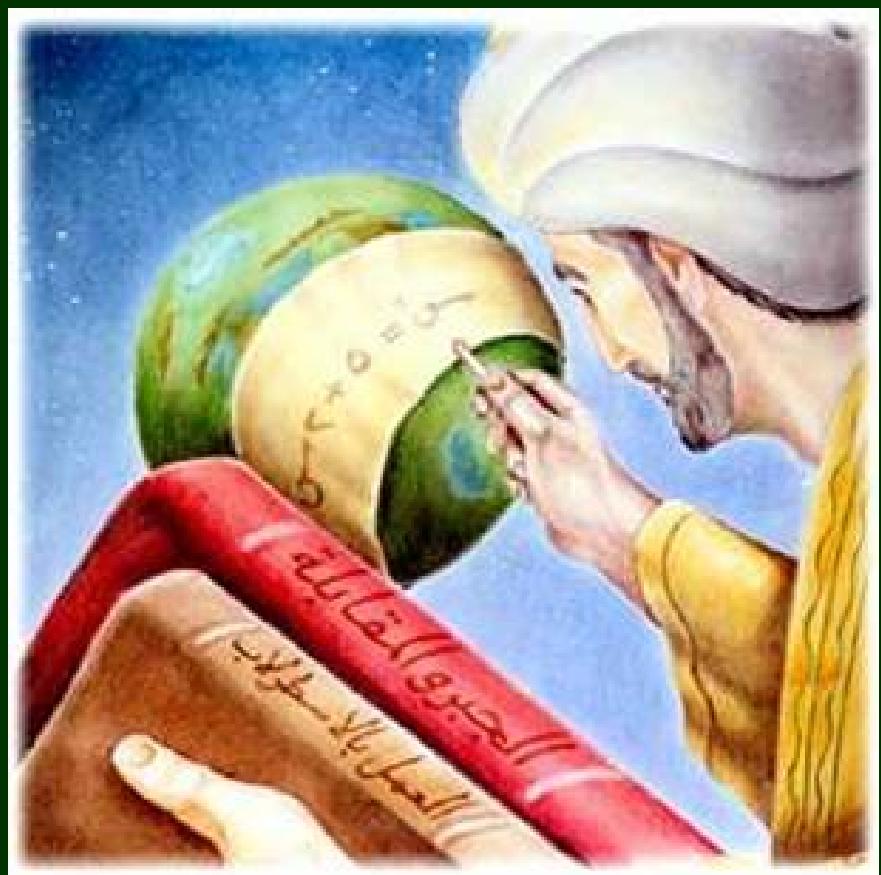
代數 780-850 AD?





Al Khwarizmi

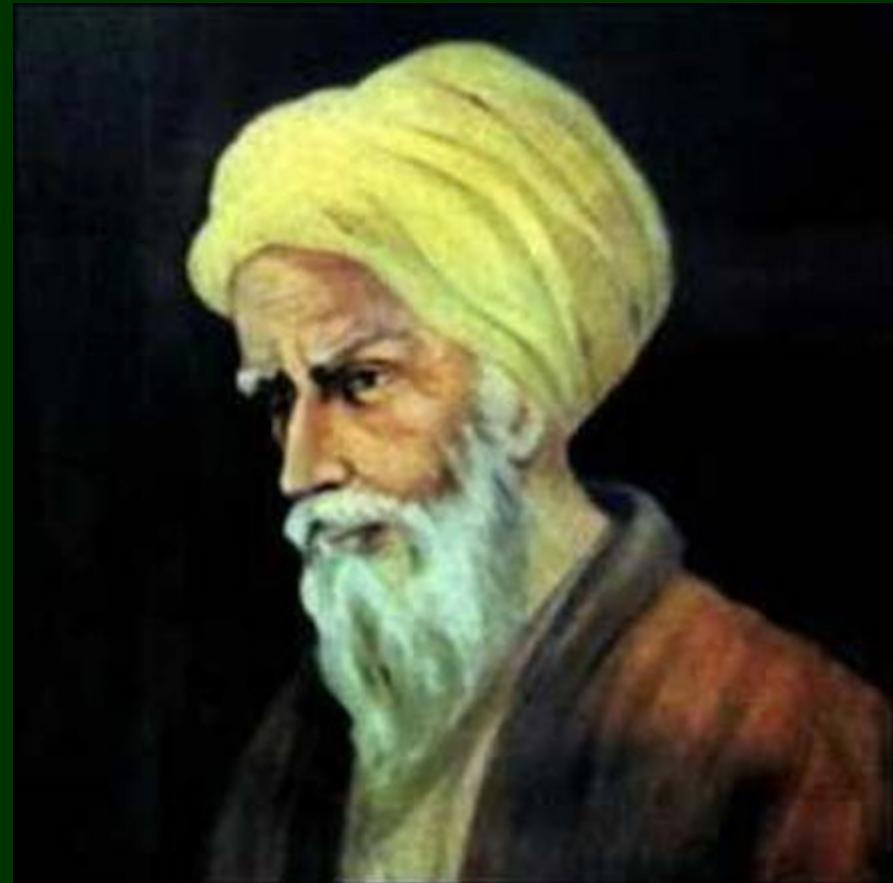
- Gave us Algebra and Algorithm
(代數與演算學)
- Distinguished mathematician and astronomer



Ibn Al Haytham (965–c.1040)

- Born in Basra, Iraq, but made his career in Cairo, where he supported himself copying scientific manuscripts. Among his original works, only those on optics, astronomy, and mathematics survive.

卓越的光學、天文和數學家



Ibn Al Haytham

(965–c.1040)

- His Optics, which relied on experiment rather than on past authority, introduced the idea that light rays emanate in straight lines in all directions from every point on a luminous surface. Sight occurs when the ray hits the eye (光學：根據實驗而非古代權威，直線傳播，視覺)



Ibn Al-Haytham's Optics

- Detailed analysis of the eye, coupled with light rays entering the eye gave his optics a very modern twist.

眼睛的構造與光
視覺

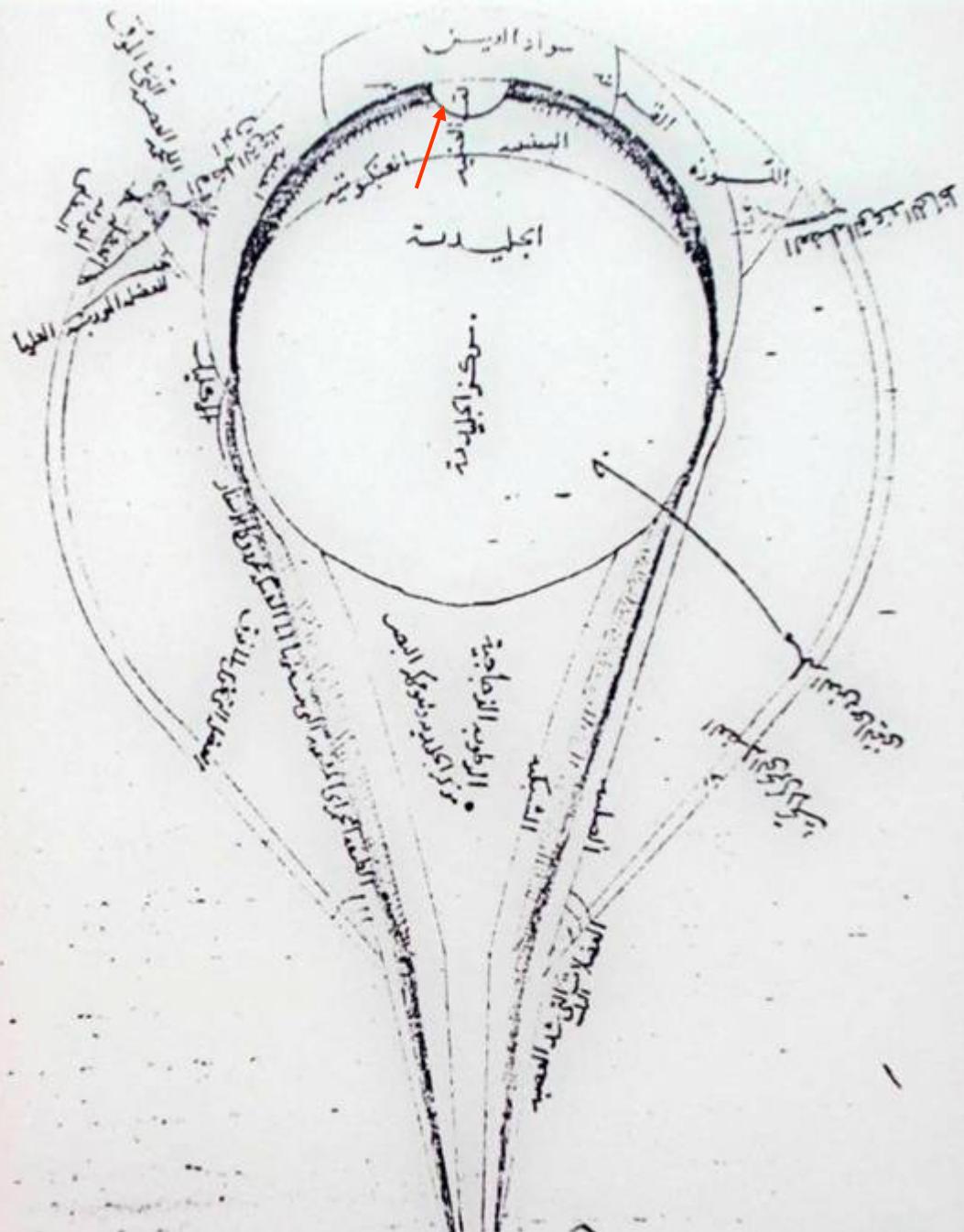
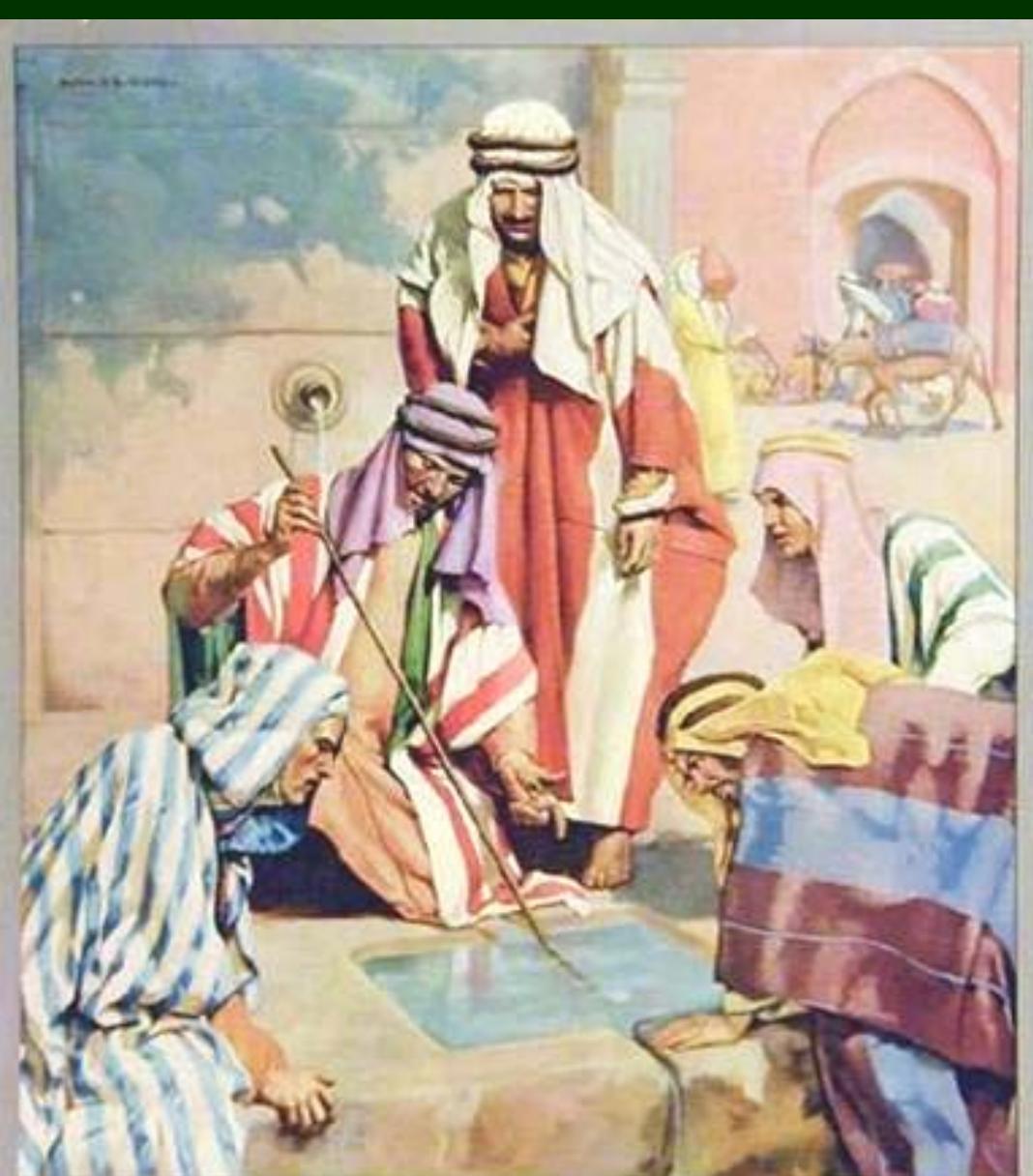


Plate 2 Tunics and Humours of the Eye according to Kamāl al-Dīn, Istanbul, MS

Ibn Al Haytham

- Latin editions of the Optics, available from the 13th century on, influenced Kepler and Descartes.

拉丁版光學一書影響了凱普勒和迪卡兒



ALHAZEN—965-1038 A.D.—STUDIED THE REFRACTION OF LIGHT AND DISPUTED THE ANCIENT THEORY THAT VISUAL RAYS EMANATED FROM THE EYE

E. BECKER & SONS OPTICAL CO. SCIENTIFIC & EDUCATIONAL LEARNING OPTICAL INSTITUTION

On Taking Evidence Over Authority

證據勝於權威

“He who searches for truth is not he who reviews the works of the ancients... [it is] he who follows argument and evidence, not the statement by an individual, who is inevitably affected by context and imperfection”.

每個人的說詞會受到個人背景和缺陷所影響，探真者未必要學自古人，而是要根據論辯與事實。

--- Ibn Al Haytham, (965–c.1040)

Al Shukuk Fi Batlaymous

On The Experimental Method

“We start by observing reality ... we try to select solid (unchanging) observations that are not affected by how we perceive (measure) them. We then proceed by increasing our research and measurement, subjecting premises to criticism, and being cautious in drawing conclusions... In all we do, our purpose should be balanced not arbitrary, the search for truth, not support of opinions. ... 「首先觀察事實，選擇不受觀察與量測方法所影響的堅實結果，並接受嚴苛的檢驗，小心下結論... 在真理的追求，我們要客觀，不能隨意或以別人意見當佐證...」

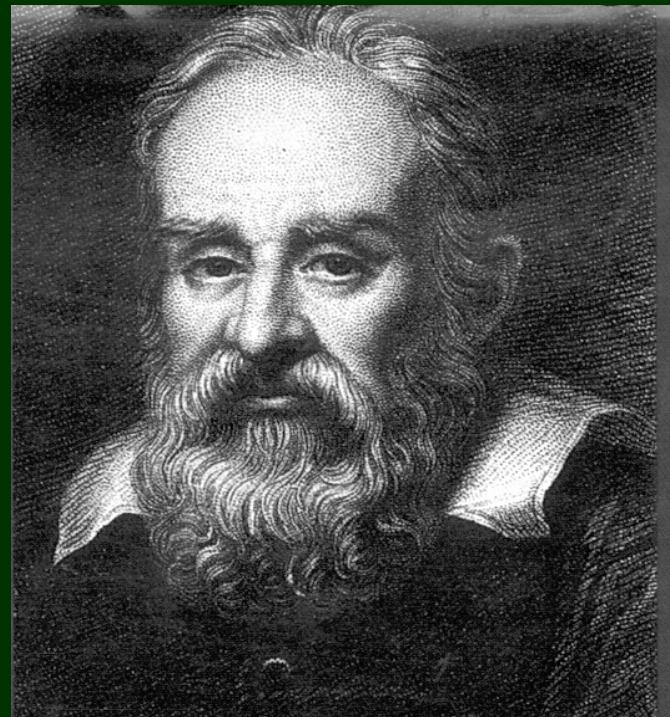
Experimental Method (Cont'd)

... Hopefully, by following this method, this road to the truth that we can be confident in, we shall arrive to our objective, where we feel certain that we have, by criticism and caution, removed discord and suspicion". 「希望以批判和細心，我們達到客觀，不被懷疑或自相矛盾的結果」。

-- Ibn Al-Haytham, (965–c.1040)
Kitab Al-Manadhir.

Way ahead by 600 years!

- Ibn Al-Haytham (965-1040) articulated the experimental method in the 11thC, more than half a millennium ahead of Galileo (1564 – 1642), who suffered for it.



Fear Of Own Biases

擔心自己的偏見

“Yet we are but human, subject to human frailties, against which we must fight with all our human might. God help us in all our endeavors”. 「上蒼幫幫忙，幫助我們這些凡人努力克服自己的弱點與偏見。」

-- Ibn Al-Haytham, (965–c.1040)
Kitab Al-Manadhir.

格物窮理：物理？科學？

周敦西（1017-1073）：太極是天地萬物所以存在之理。

朱熹（1130-1200）：太極只是天地萬物之理。在天地言，則天地有太極；在萬物言，則萬物各有太極。爲有天地之先，畢竟是先有此理。

格物致知、誠意正身、修身齊家、治國平天下。 無極—太極 動—靜 陽—陰

太極：物理定律？智慧設計者？上帝？

Ibn Al Nafis

(1213-1288 A.D)

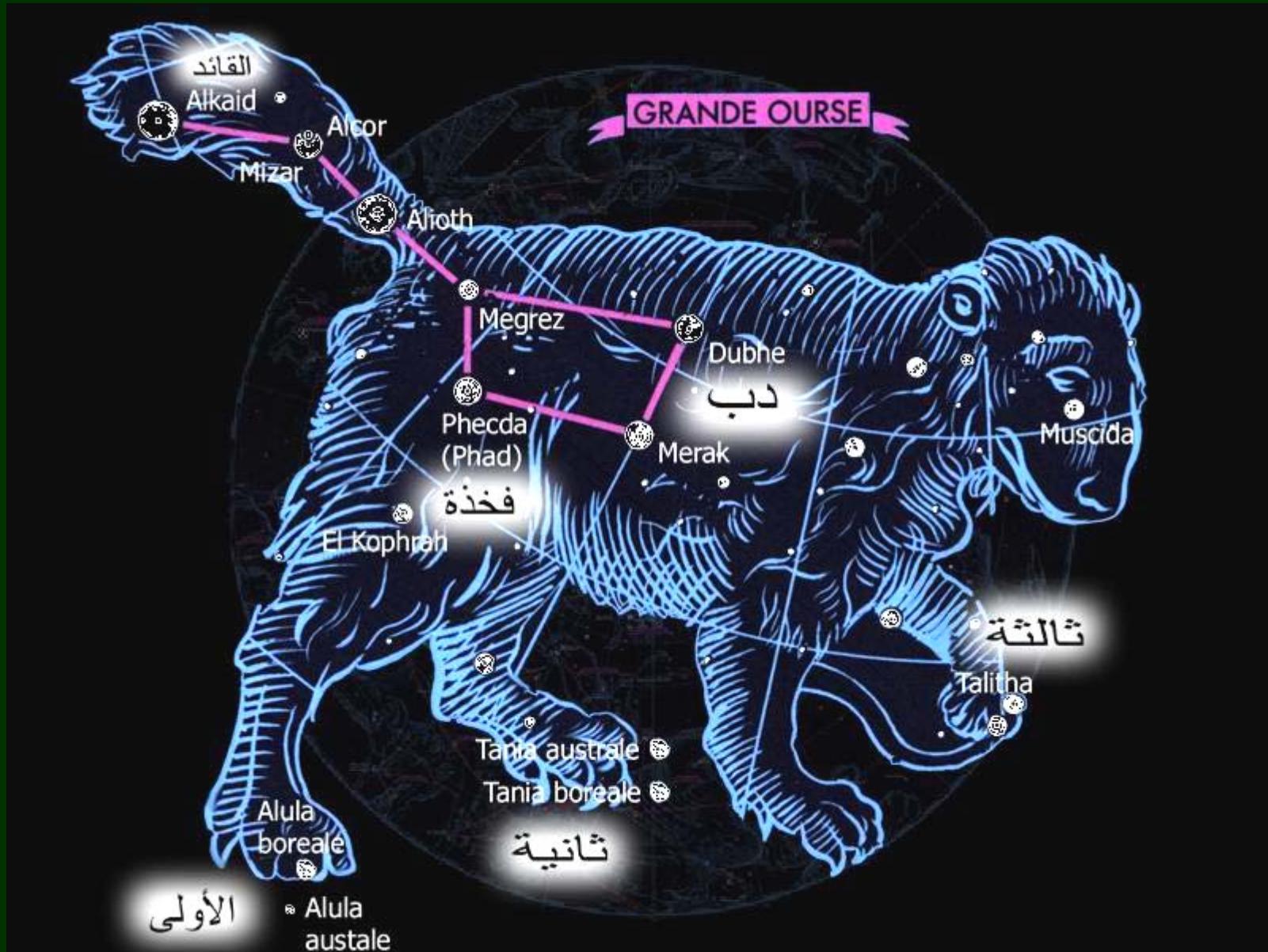
- Discoverer of the circulation of the blood – 400 years before Harvey.
- Author of the magisterial *Al-Shamil* in Medicine



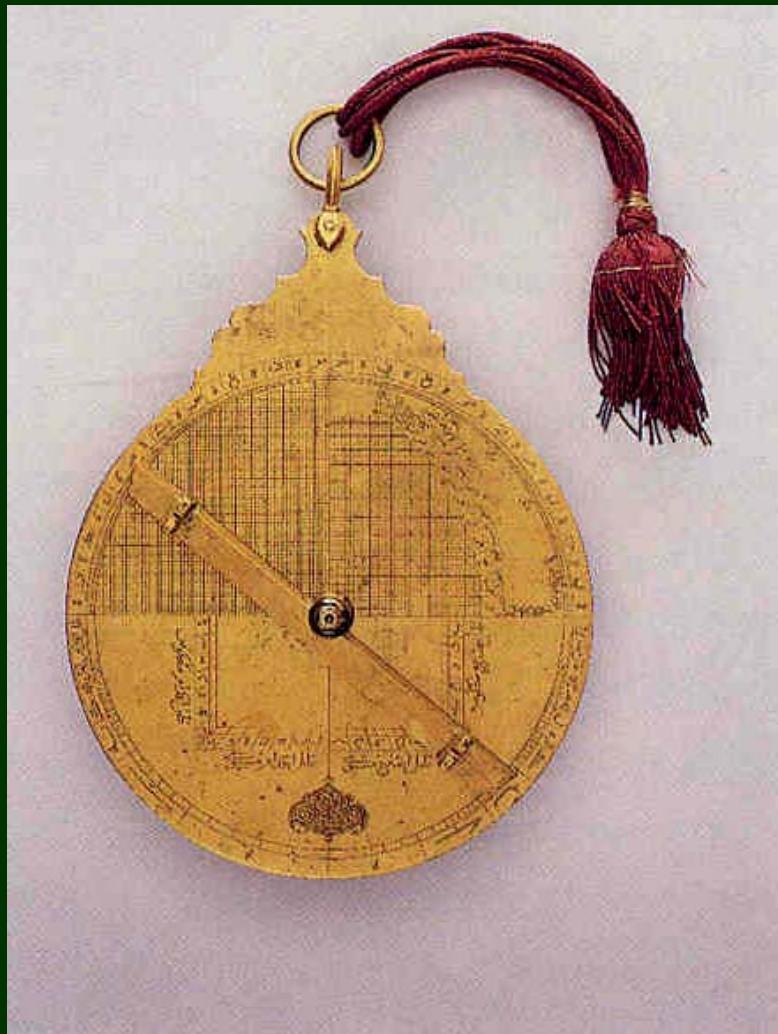
On Accepting The Contrarian View: 如何對待不同觀點

“When hearing something unusual, do not preemptively reject it, for that would be folly. Indeed, horrible things may be true, and familiar and praised things may prove to be lies. Truth is truth unto itself, not because [many] people say it is.” 「只有傻瓜才會一聽到奇怪的想法就馬上唾棄它。荒唐事可能是真的，習以爲常或被人稱讚的反而可能是錯的。真就是真，不是因爲很多人說是真才是真。」

--- Ibn Al-Nafis, (1213-1288 A.D.) *Sharh' Ma'na Al Qanun.*



Elegant astrolabes (星盤) made for the Safavid rulers of Iran



Made for Abbas II in 1647-48.



Made by Abu al-Aimma in 1712-13.

Source: *The Oxford Dictionary of Islam*, Edited by John L. Esposito. Oxford University Press, 1999.

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Madian Al-Qawsouni (d. 1634 AD) discussing simultaneity

同時性與觀察者關係的討論

- The earth is spherical, and from there flows a problem. If three people stand together and one goes east, the other west, while the third would remain where he is. (三人之中一人往東，一人往西，一人不動)
- The two travelers would return to him, the one going east returning from the west, and vice versa. (兩旅行者環繞地球一圈後回到原點)
- But the number of days spent by the travelers would be increased by one day for the one traveling east and decreased by a day for the one traveling west. (往東者增一天，往西者少一天)

Madian Al-Qawsouni (d. 1634 AD) (cont'd)

- This leads to the question: is it possible that one day is Friday for one person and Thursday for another and Saturday for still another? (會不會一個人說那天是星期五，另一說是星期四，又另一人說是星期六？)
- We think yes. (沒錯)

Madian Al-Qawsouni
-- *Sharh li Qasidat Ibn Sina*



Copernicus (1473 -1543)

Astronomy

- Although the Arabs and Muslims made major discoveries and contributions, they did not provide an alternative model to the Ptolemaic (related to AD 2 scientists) one, as did Copernicus

阿拉伯學者未能提出地
球中心之外的宇宙模型

Passing The Torch: Europe Ascendant

十五六世紀火炬傳遞給歐洲

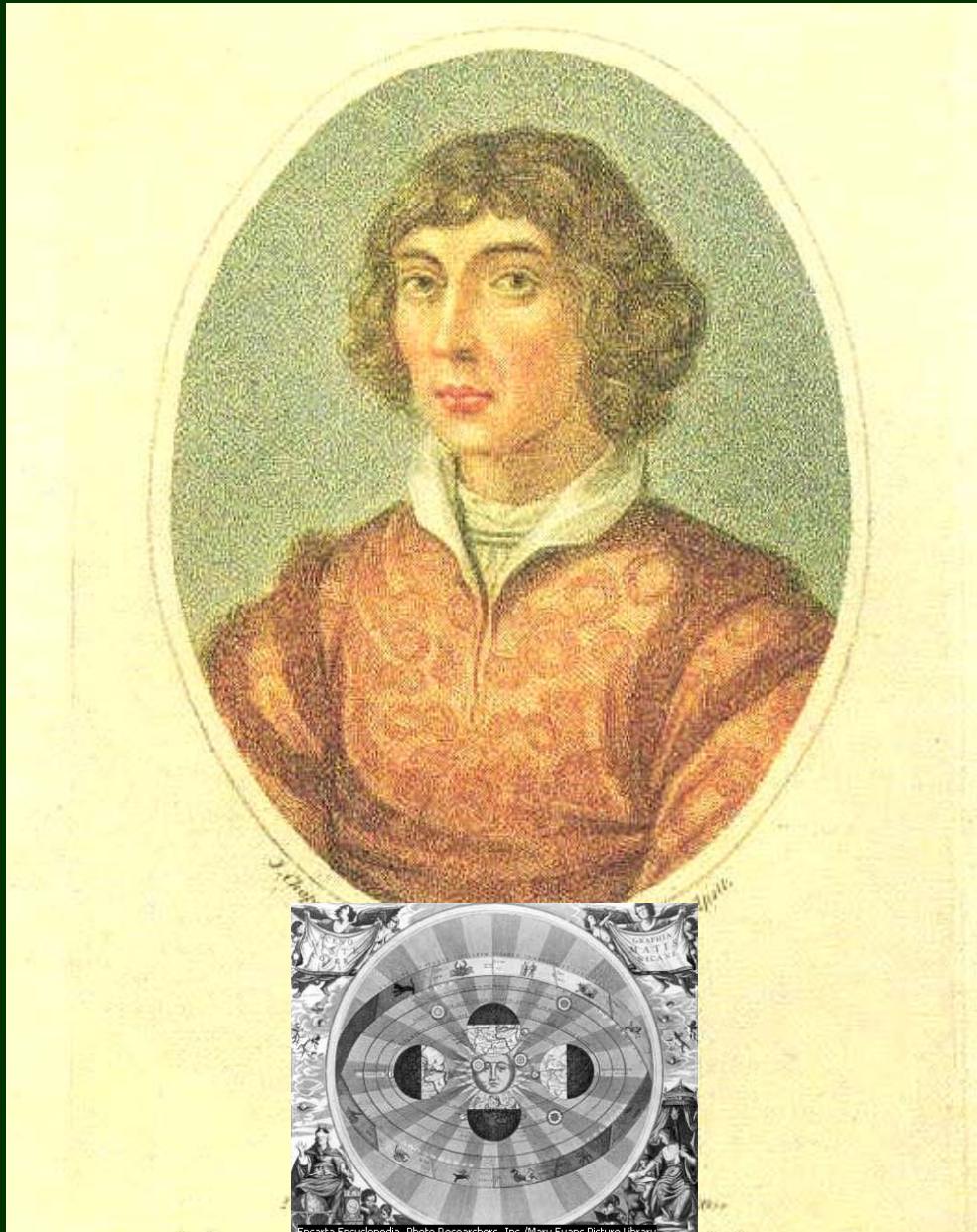
Nicolaus Copunicus

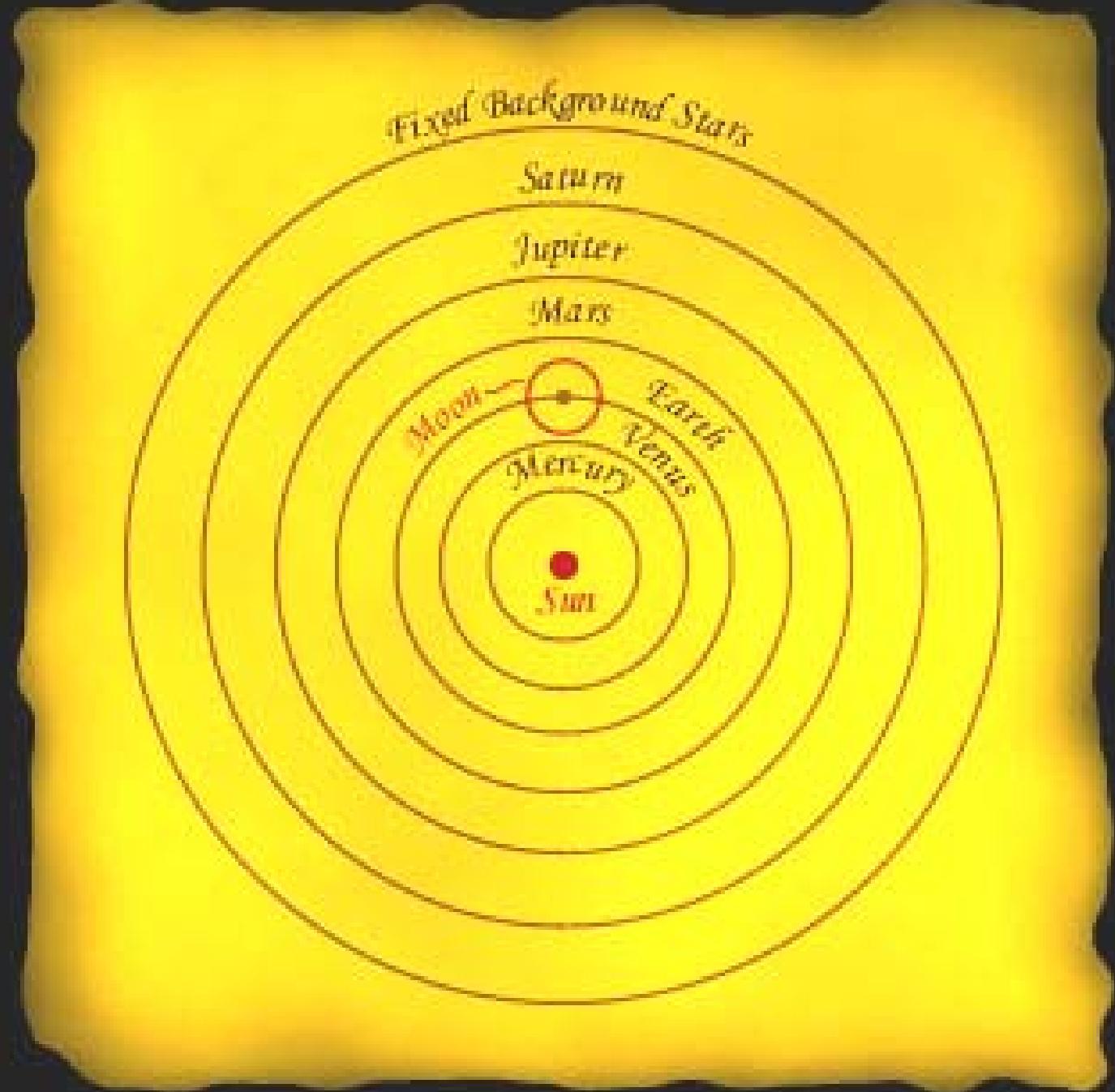
(1473-1543) Polish
Astronomer

波蘭天文學家

Heliocentric Theory
vs. Ptolemaic
Theory

Ming Dynasty







1633 -- Galileo Recants

宗教迫害受審，撤銷原來主張



Tycho Brahe
(1546-1601)

Data from
observations



Johanes
Kepler
(1571-1630)

Sorted out three laws of
planetary motion from
the data

天體運行定律

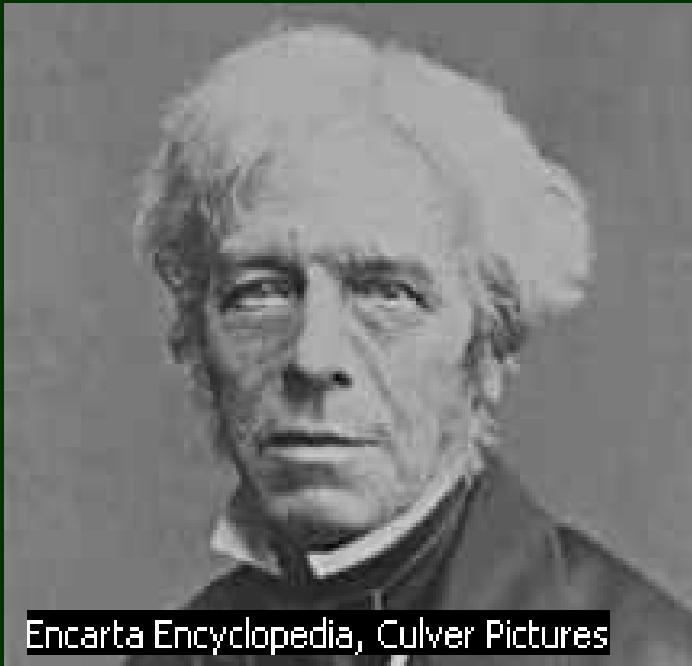
Derived these laws
from law of universal
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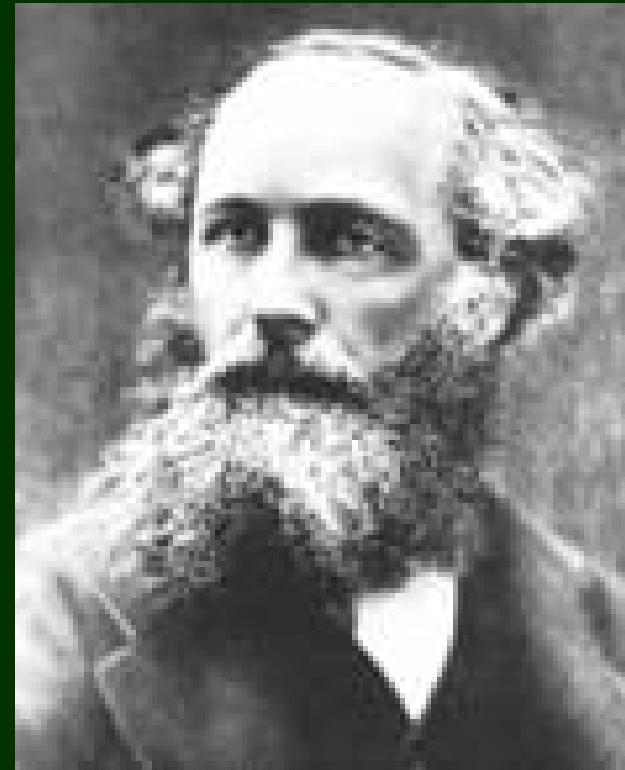
Newton
(1642-1727)

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電磁波



Michael
Faraday
1791-1867

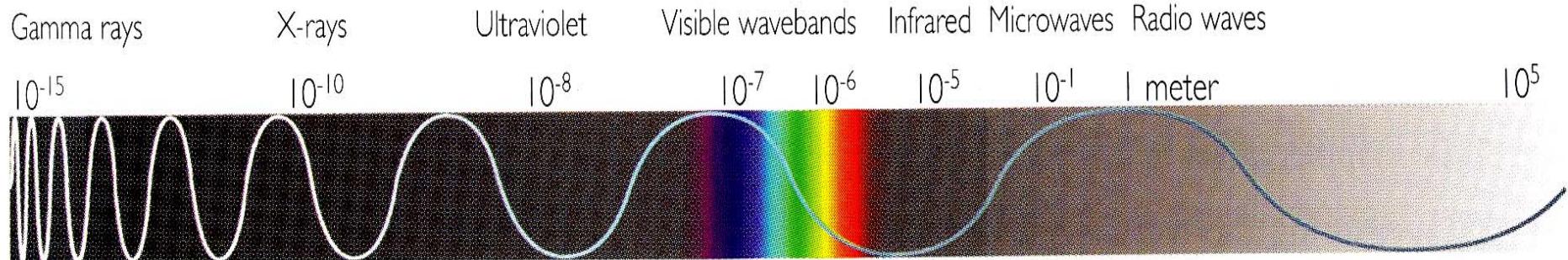


James Clerk
Maxwell (1831-
1879)

According to Maxwell, God say:

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \frac{\rho_t}{\epsilon_0},$$
$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0,$$
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = 0,$$
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} = \mu_0 \mathbf{J}_m;$$

and there is light!

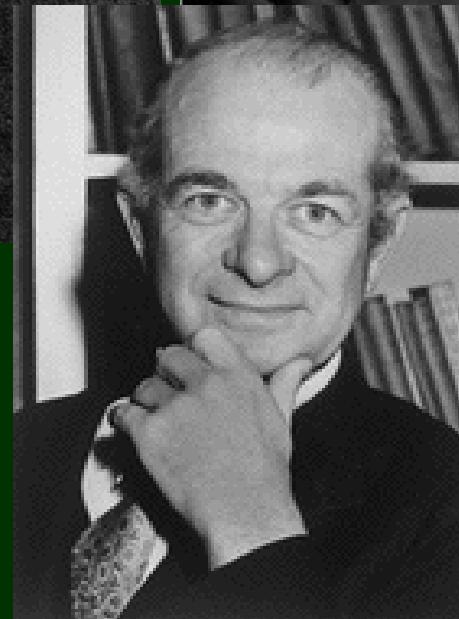
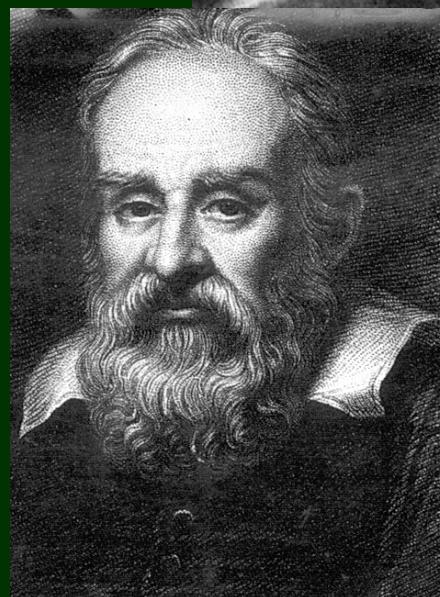
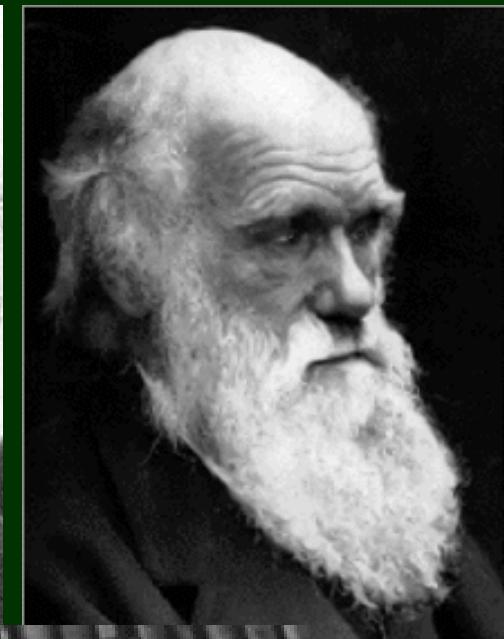
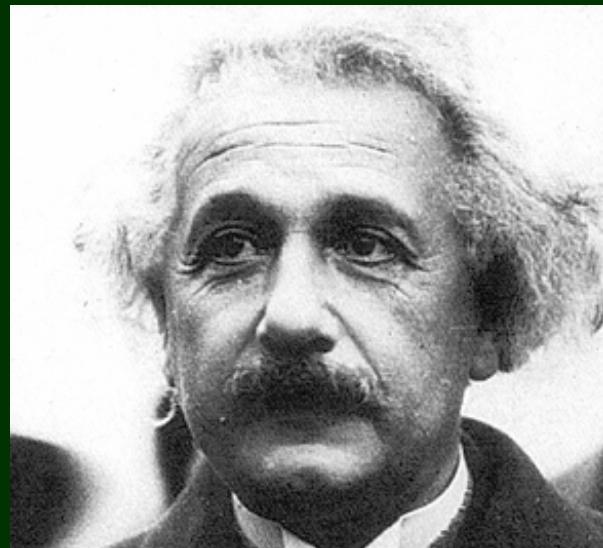
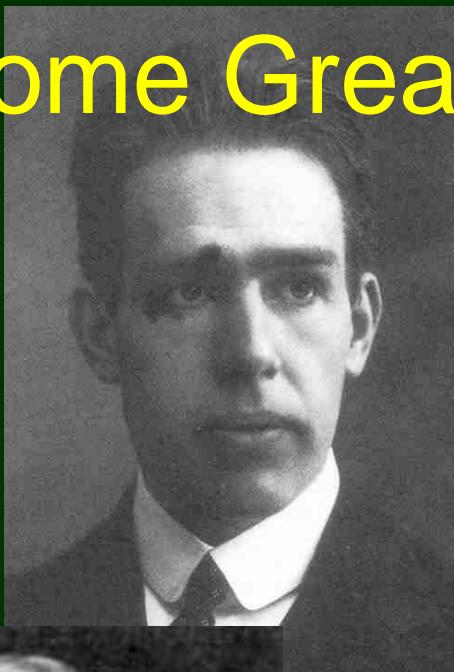


The Four Greatest Theories Of Physics

- **Newton's Principia** 原理
establishes inverse square act-at-a-distance force
of gravitation
- **Maxwell's Electromagnetic Waves** 電磁波
unifies electricity & magnetism, Faraday's concept of
field, electromagnetic waves, light
- **Einstein's Relativity** 相對論
space & time, mass & energy, gravitation &
acceleration
- **Quantum Mechanics:** Planck, Einstein, Bohr, de
Broglie, Heisenberg, Schroedinger, Born, Dirac .. 量子
力學
matter wave, probabilistic, uncertainty principle

... and the quest continues...

Some Great Scientists of the Past



Science Is Driven by Curiosity
About the Natural World
科學的追求來自對自然的好奇

WHAT IF?

WHAT IF?



WHAT IF?

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Science

“Knowledge of Natural Rules & Order”

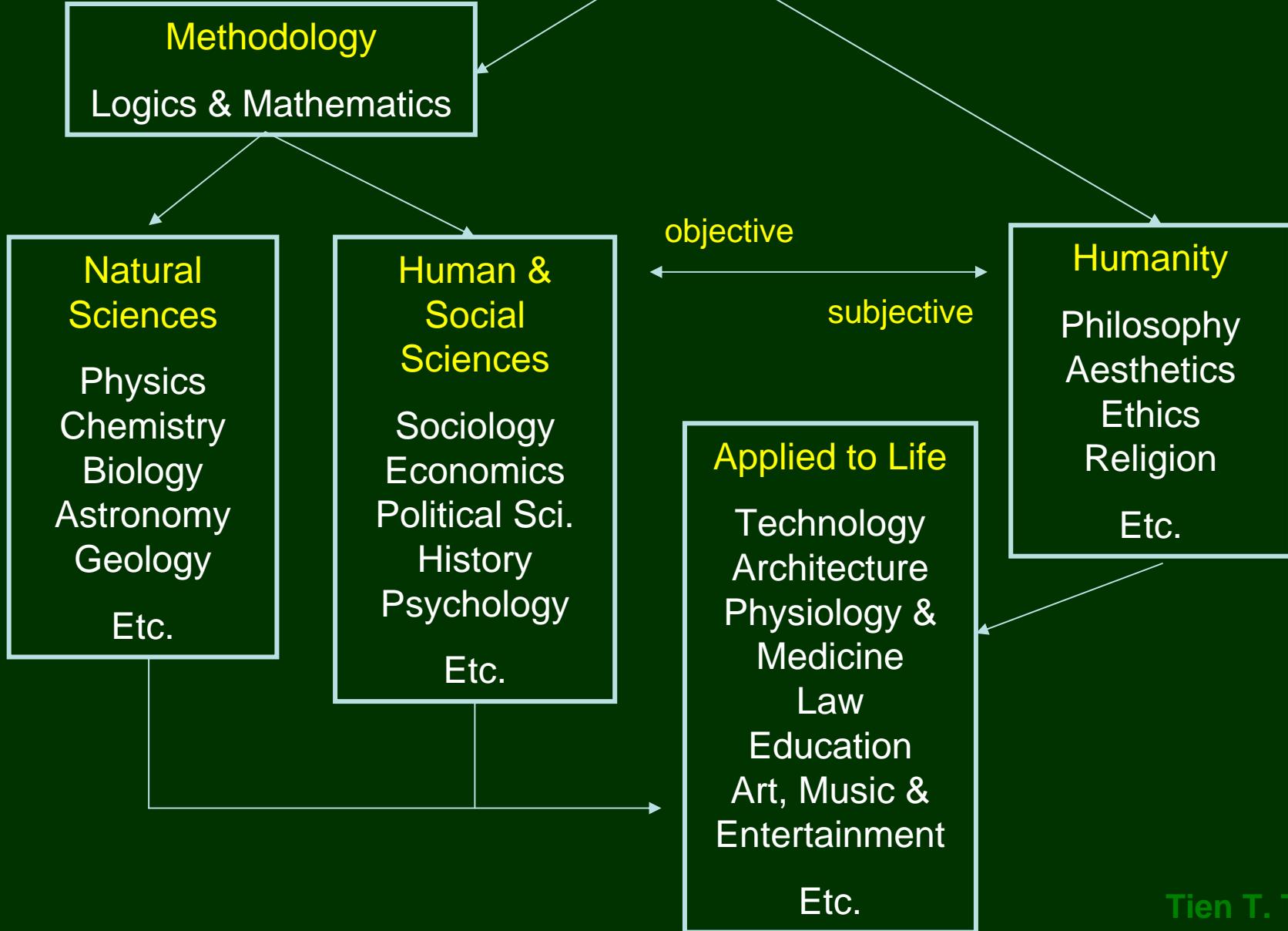
Experiment

Observe, discover, study and understand natural phenomena

Theory (Analytical & Numerical)

Understand, formulate natural phenomena and predict not-yet-observed phenomena

Human Knowledge



Natural Sciences

(traditional definitions)

- **Physical Sciences:** Physics, Chemistry
- **Life Sciences:** Biology (zoology, botany) or molecular biology, genetics
- **Earth Sciences:** Geology, Astronomy, Meteorology

The Nature of Scientific Knowledge 科學知識的性質

- Approximate (概略)
- Empirical (實證)
- Reproducible (可重複)
- And so much more...

The Scientific Method

The Method of Science

Experimental Observation 實驗觀察

↓
Hypothesis & Theory 假說與理論

↓
Theoretical Prediction 理論預測

↓
Experimental Confirmation 實驗驗證

The Method of Science

OBSERVATION: Sense specific physical realities or events.



HYPOTHESIS: Create a statement about the general nature of the phenomenon observed.



PREDICTION: Forecast a future occurrence consistent with the hypotheses.



EXPERIMENT: Carry out a test to see if predicted event occurs.



If results DO match prediction, hypothesis is supported.

If results DO NOT match prediction

RECYCLE

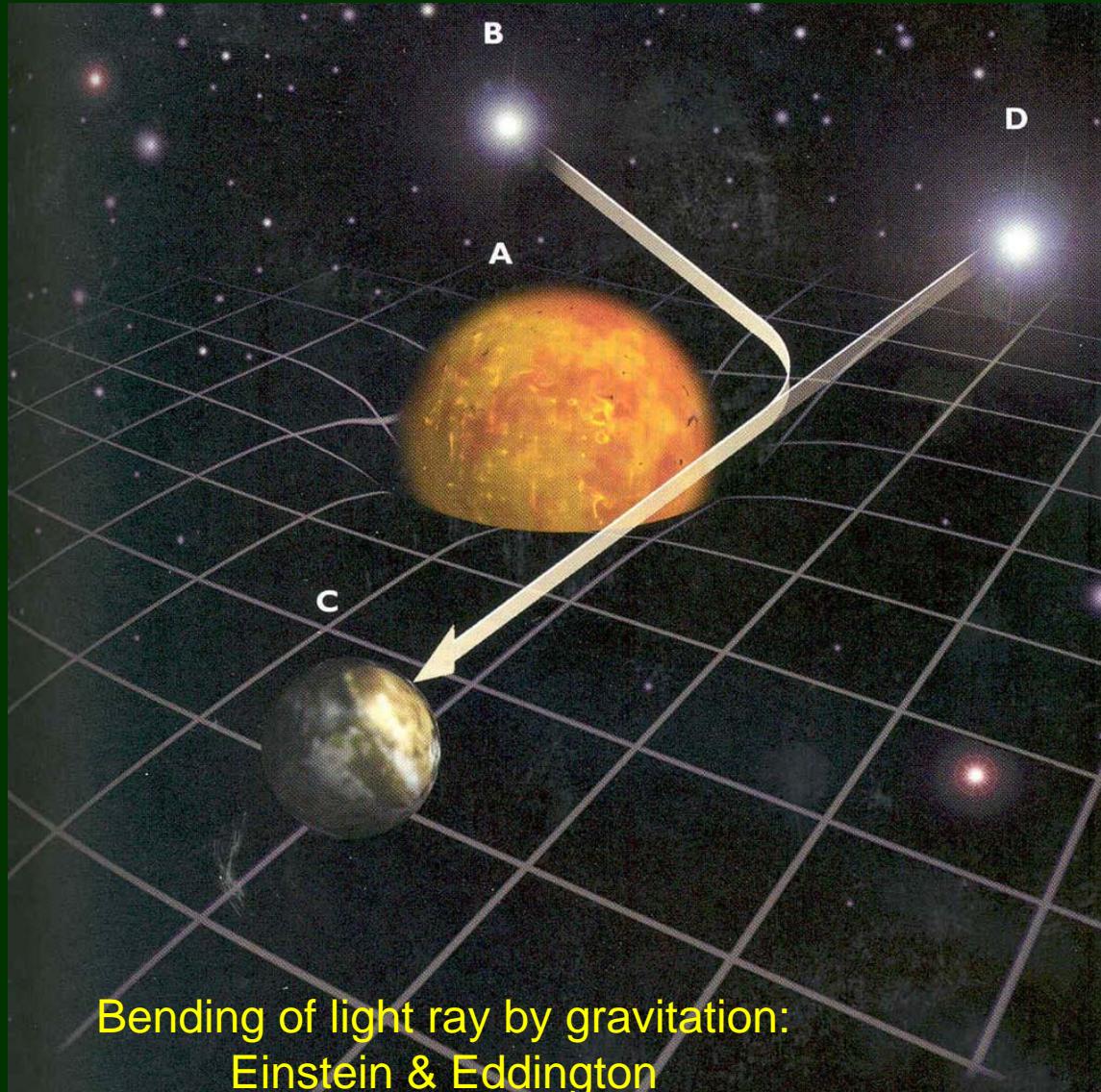
REVISED HYPOTHESIS



PREDICTION



EXPERIMENT



Bending of light ray by gravitation:
Einstein & Eddington

No amount of experimentation can ever prove me right; A single experiment can prove me wrong. 「不論多少實驗都無法證明我的理論，但是只要一個實驗就可能推翻它。」

Albert Einstein

Fact

- An observation that has been repeatedly confirmed, and is accepted for all practical purposes to be “true”.
- 一個經重複觀察驗證的事實，實際上便可稱之為「真」。

Truth

- Truth in science is never final, and what is accepted as fact today may be modified or even discarded tomorrow.
- 科學的真不是終極，今天的真，也許明天會被修正，或甚至於被推翻而丟棄。

Hypothesis 假說

- A tentative statement about the natural world leading to deductions that can be tested 暫時解釋，從演繹結果來驗證
- Hypotheses can be verified or rejected by tests 假說可由測試證實或丟棄
- Hypotheses can be used to build more complex inferences and explanations 根據假說建立更複雜的解釋與推論

Model

- A Hypothesis can also be a Model, which is also a tentative statement about the natural world leading to deductions that can be tested 假說也可以是一個模式，一個暫時可由推論的正確與否來檢驗的說詞

Law

- A descriptive generalization about how some aspect of the natural world behaves under stated circumstances
- 定律乃普遍化敘述自然界裡在某一情況下發生的某些事的運行法則

Theory

- Well-substantiated explanation of some aspect of the natural world that can incorporate a large body of scientific facts, laws, logical inferences and tested hypotheses. 由很多經過相當程度驗證的假說與定律組成的某些自然現象的解釋
- Evolution is one of the strongest and most useful scientific theories today. Evolution vs. Intelligent Designs (believe that cannot be tested).
- 進化論（可驗證）**vs.** 智慧設計（信仰）
Charles Darwin (1809-1882): 物競天擇 (1838-1859) On the Origin of Species (物種原始)

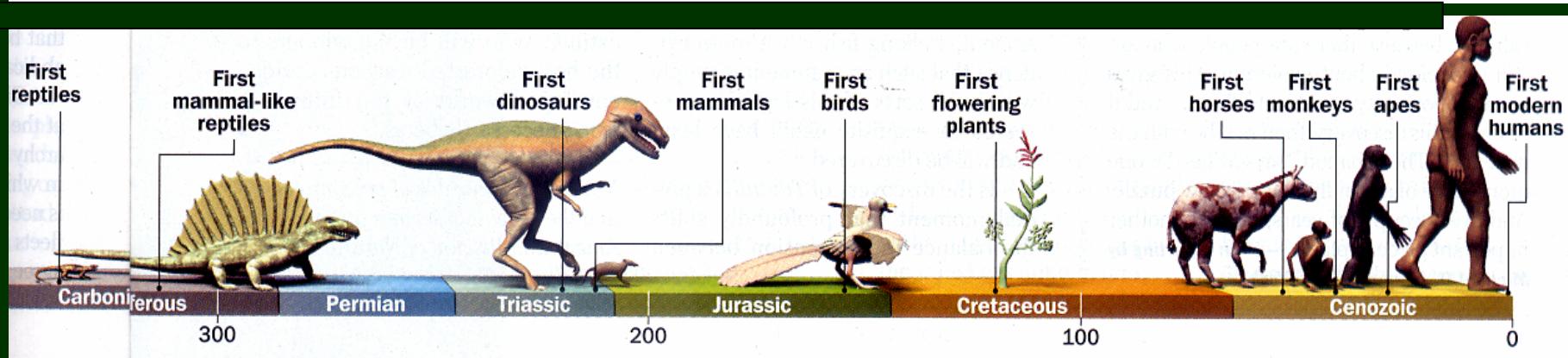
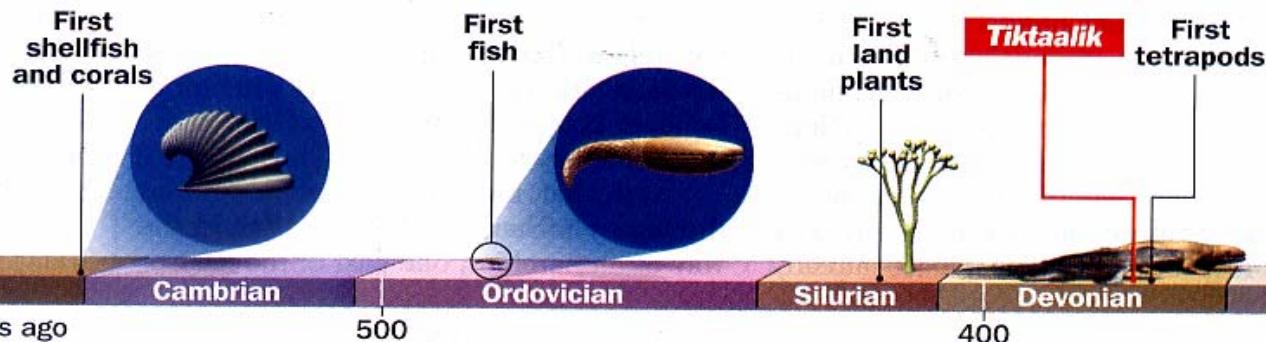
Step by Step Proof: Darwin's Theory of Evolution



A LONG WALK

The fishapod represents a crucial step in the progression from sea creatures to land animals to, eventually, humans

Source: *The Book of Life* by Stephen Jay Gould (Norton, 2001)



Coherent Domains of Knowledge

- Overall Paradigm 範疇
- Central concepts 主要概念
- Developments within the domain 在某一範圍內發展
- Interlocking 交織
- Mutually supportive or inconsistencies 相互同意或互相矛盾
- Not necessarily 100% interlinked (e.g. Quantum and General Relativity) 不必完全交織

Ultimately, in Science, the final authority is not a person, but a reasoning process

科學定論來自推理，非來自權威

The Values Of Science

科學的價值觀

Values of Science

- Truth 真
- Honor 誠 (榮譽，不作假，不抄襲)
- Creativity and imagination 創意與想像力

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- Constructive subversiveness 疑
- Tolerance of engagement 忍
- Arbitration of disputes 公平

Truth vs. Consensus
Science vs.
Consensus Politics

Science is about originality,
creativity and excellence
regardless of age, race, religion,
language, sex, or national origin...

科學只有創新、創造力和卓越，與
科學家的年齡、種族、信仰、語言
文化、性別或國籍無關...

The values of science are
forged by student practice and
teacher example

科學由學生的參與而造就
老師是先行者

The Role of Youth

年輕人的角色

歷史上重要科學貢獻來自年輕人



Sir Isaac Newton (1642-1727)

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Newton

By age 30 Newton had:

- Revolutionized optics and the nature of light 對光學有革命性的貢獻
- Thought out gravitation 萬有引力
- Invented the calculus 發明微積分
- Full professor at Cambridge 劍大教授
- Elected Fellow at the Royal Society 皇家學院院士

1905

Einstein's miraculous year

- Molecular Dimensions 分子的尺寸
- Brownian Motion 布朗運動
- Photoelectric Effect 光電子理論
- Special Theory Of Relativity 狹義相對論
- $E = mc^2$

Only 26 years old!



1879-1955

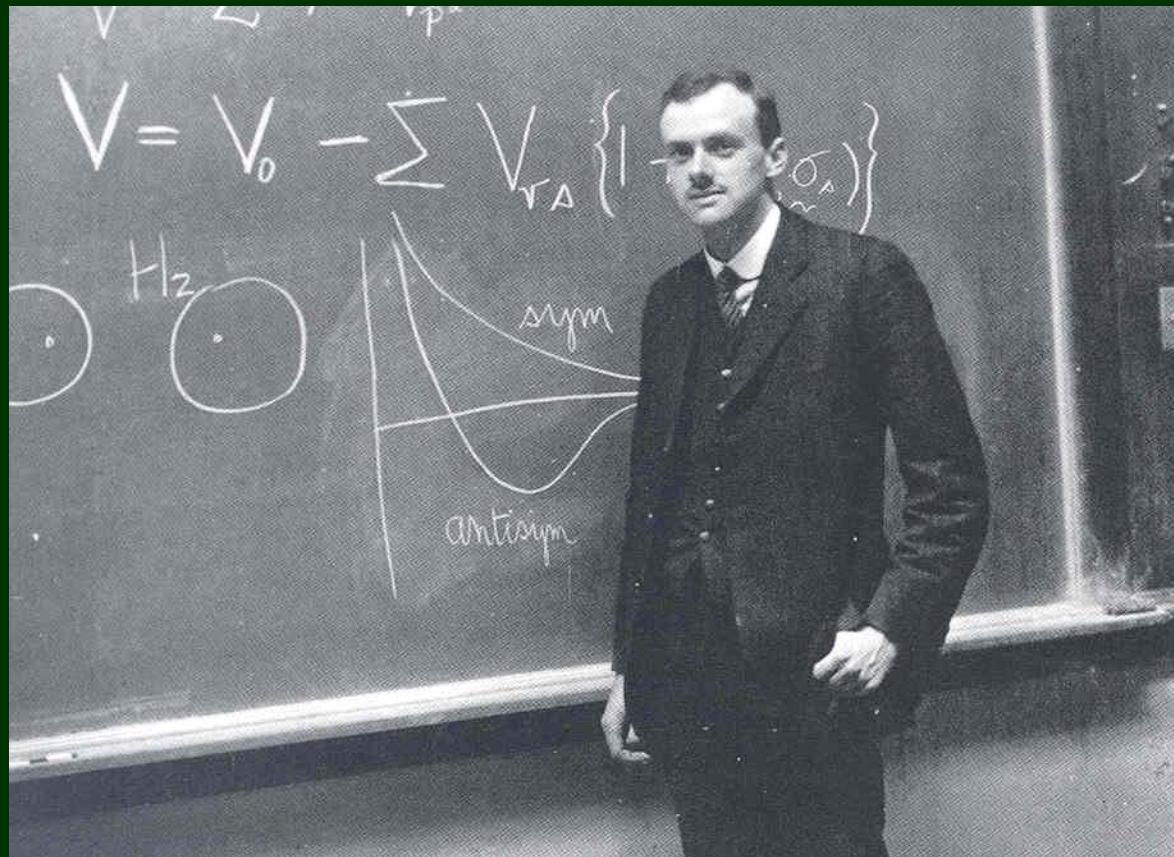
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Werner Heisenberg (1901 – 1976)

- Created the first version of quantum mechanics at age 24 (1925) 創造量子力學
- Formulated the “Uncertainty Principle” at age 26 (1927) 提出測不準原理



Paul Dirac (1902-1984)

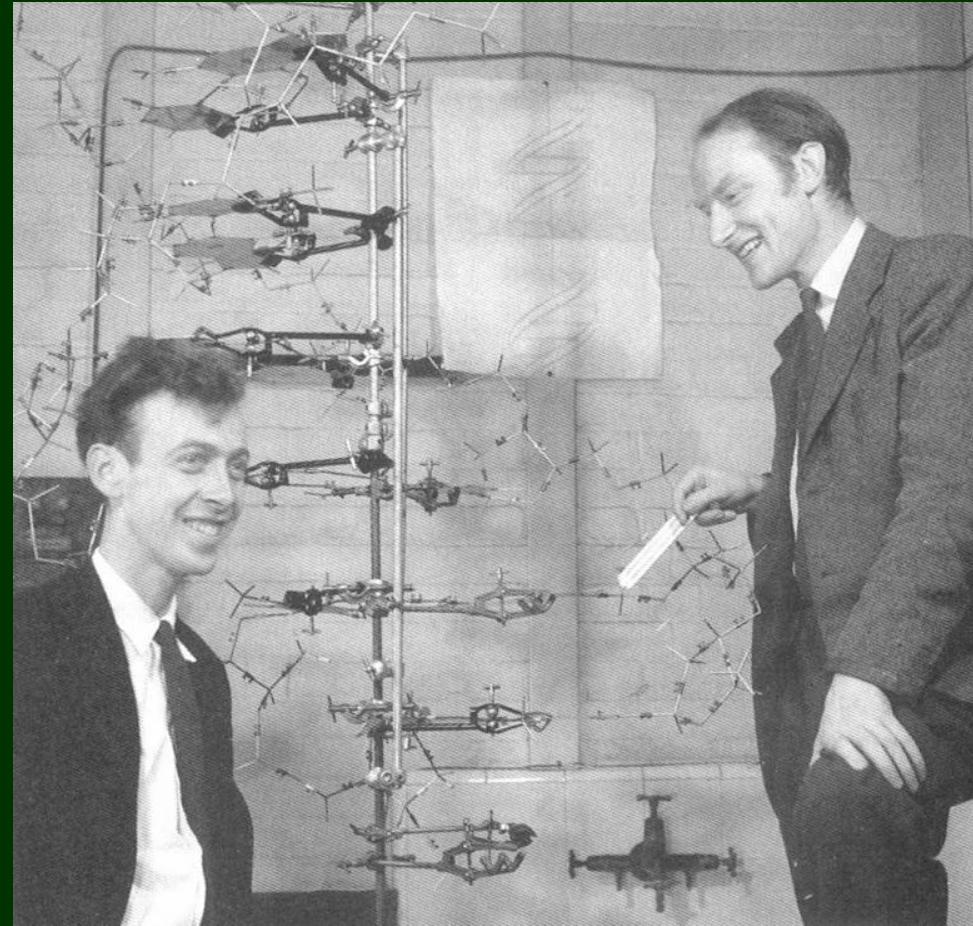


Dirac – The brilliance of youth

- At age 24, in 1926, while still a graduate student, he made his first major contribution to physics by devising a form of quantum mechanics. 提出量子力學的新表達方式
- At age 26, in 1928 he formulated the full quantum treatment (relativistic QM) of the electron and predicted anti-matter -- Positron found four years later. 相對論量子力學，預測反物質，反電子在四年後被發現
- At age 31 shared Nobel prize with Schrödinger in 1933 三十一歲獲得諾貝爾獎

Double Helix: The Tinker Toy Model of DNA

- James Watson was **25** at the time of the discovery of the structure of DNA in 1953
- Tinker Toy Model DNA 結構模型



Older People: Don't be Discouraged

- Einstein: General Relativity: age 37
- C. N. Yang: age 32-35
- Erwin Schrödinger: Wave equ. : age 39
- John Bardeen: BCS Theory: age 49

Theorists: Imagination, creativity, bold...

Experimentalists: ... + experience + cautious in interpretation, age plays less important role

E. W. Müller, Atom-Probe FIM at age 56

Whereas Science is Experimental
The Ultimate Glory Goes to Theorists
They Formulate the Laws & Theories of
Nature

科學終極榮耀屬於理論學家，且長壽

Experimentalists Discover Natural
Phenomena and Help Sorting Out the Order
of These Phenomena

Experimentalists Benefit Society More
Directly by Developing Technologies

實驗科學家透過科技發展，直接造福人類

Physics to Science & Technology

Technology & Engineering:

Apply scientific
knowledge to benefit
mankind



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Big Bang

Formation of Universe

Solar System

$\sim 13 \times 10^9$ yr

5×10^9 yr

Australopithecus Afarensis

Homo Erectus

Homo Sapiens

Ape

Human Evolution

Java Man

Peiking Man

$\sim 4 \times 10^6$ yr

$\sim 1.9 \times 10^6$ yr

$\sim 2 \times 10^5$ yr

Human Civilization starts

Agriculture

Human Civilization

Agriculture Society
Handicraft Economy

$\sim 13,000$ yr

~ 6000 yr

300 yr 0

Industrial Revolution

✓ Handicraft Economy: Based on experiences, human & animal power, small to midsize scale, little science.

✓ Industrial Revolution: Started 1760-1840, based on experiences & simple science. Materials: iron & steel. Motive power: engine, electricity. System: factories. Transportation: automobile, train & ship. Knowledge: A little physics & chemistry. Industry stimulated progress in science.

Physics & Science & Technology Time-Line Spectrum

1604: Galileo, Science is based on experimental facts!

1609, 1618: Brache, Kepler laws of planet mo.

1600

幾千年的醞釀，終於開花結果，剛開始不久，現在不能鬆懈。

1824: Carnot cycle
1831: Faraday, field & em induction

1849: Kelvin temp.
1850: Clausius laws of thermodynamics
1875: Gibbs

Steel indu.

1875-1876: Bell Telegraph telephone

1803: Train (Trevithick)
1803-1807: Steam boat (Symington, Fulton)

1800

1687: Newton, Principia

1690: Huygens, optics
1704: Newton, Optics

1698 1700 1712

Steam engine
Savery, Newcomen

1873: Maxwell em-wave

1905: Einstein, th. relativty
1900-1926 QM: Planck, Einstein, Bohr,
Heisenberg, Schroedinger

Nuclear, Atom & mole.
H.E. & Solid state phys.

1770: Black, calorimetry

1769 Automobile Cugnot
1800 Iron industry

Industrial Revolution (1760 – 1840)

1957, DNA: Watson & Crick
Molecular Biology

1948: transistor. 1950:
laser. 1980: STM

Surf. Sci., Materials Sci.
Cosmology, Nano Sci.

2000

1900
1901-1907: Wireless comm. Edison, Marconi
Fleming, Forest
1903: Airplane, Wright brother, etc.

1936: EM, 1951: FIM
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1981:STM

1957: Sputnik, 1960: laser,
1969: moon landing, 1947-
now, solid state electronics &
computer & information tech.

1900-1950: modern industry
1950-now: high tech. industry

Modern Physics & Science & Technology

1) Electromagnetic Waves

1831: Faraday, Induction & Field

1873: Maxwell, EM waves

2) Relativity, Einstein

**1905: Special Th. Space & Time,
Mass & Energy**

1915: General Th. Acceler. & Gravity

3) Quantum Mechanics

1900: Planck, Energy Quantization

1905: Einstein, Photon

1913: Bohr, H-Model, Appl. of QM

1924: de Broglie, Matter Wave

1925: Heisenberg, Quantum Mech.

1926: Schroedinger, S-Equation

4) Particle & Fields

Atom & Molec. Phys.: Laser,

Optical Trap, BE-Condens.

Condensed Matt. Phys.:

Solid state electronics,

Computer, Informat. tech.

Chemistry: Chem. bond, Chem.

Indus. Pharmaceutical Ind.

Biology: Double helix,

Molecular bio., Genetic eng.

Medical science

Surface Sci. : Thin films,

Electronic materials, Catalysis

Materials Sci.: Interdisciplinary

Astrophysics & Space Sci. & Tech.

Nanoscience: Interdisciplinary

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年輕人，加油！

年重人，加倍努力！

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