

Target Distance: 90cm

Errors of $>4.5^\circ$ (for this target, beyond the yellow circle) are likely to be significant.

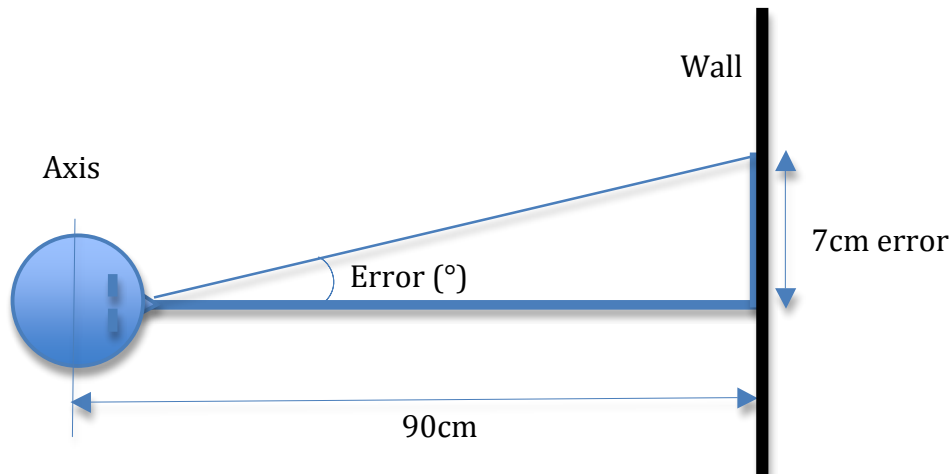
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Distance from center of the target to a 4.5-degree error depends the distance the patient is from the target. This target is calibrated for a patient who is 90 cm away.

If the patient (center of axis of rotation to the target, thus, the crown of the head) is 90 cm from the target, then a 7 cm error from the center of the target translates to a 4.5 degree error:

$$\text{Arctan of } 7\text{cm}/90\text{cm} = 4.5 \text{ degrees}$$

On a calculator, arctan is often shown as \tan^{-1} .



So, the error in degrees is the arctan (or \tan^{-1}) of $7/90$, or 4.5° .