

# How to Calculate an Observatory Wall Height

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$$H_{\text{elev}} = \tan(A_{\text{elev}}) * D_{\text{wall}}$$

## EXAMPLE

Choose or measure  $A_{\text{elev}}$  minimum desired or possible (if limited by trees) elevation (assume  $25^\circ$ )

Measure  $D_{\text{wall}}$  distance from telescope center to wall (assume 60")

Measure  $H_{\text{scope}}$  height of telescope centerline above floor

Calculate  $H_{\text{elev}}$

$$\tan(25^\circ) = 0.466$$

$$H_{\text{elev}} = 0.466 * 60$$

$$H_{\text{elev}} = 27.96''$$

Wall may be 27.96" above telescope centerline height ( $H_{\text{scope}}$ )

Add  $H_{\text{scope}}$  to  $H_{\text{elev}}$  for total wall height

