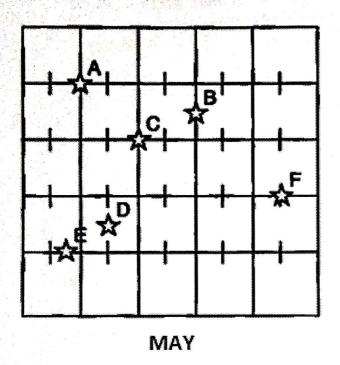
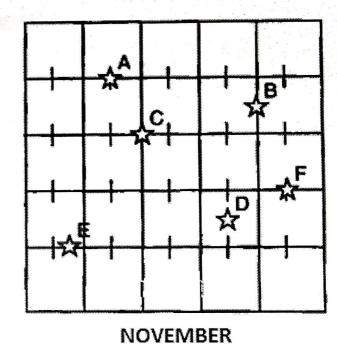
Activity A

To measure the parallax, photos of a small part of the starry sky are made by a telescope. Below there are drawings made from two photos taken from the same part of the starry sky at 6 months of interval. The whole photographic plate has a dimension of 0.5" (arcseconds).





- 1. Which stars on the photo are distant 'fixed' stars and which are nearby stars?
- 2. Which star is the nearest to the Sun? What is its annual parallax? What is its distance to the Sun in parsecs?
- 3. When star D is at 32.6 l.y. distance from the Sun, what are the distances of the stars A, B and E in l.y.?