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List of 17 Photogrammetry Stadia and Compass Surveying Formulas

Photogrammetry Stadia and Compass Surveying

Photogrammetry

1) Elevation of Point, Line or Area

$$fx \quad h_1 = \left(H - \left(\frac{f_{len}}{P} \right) \right)$$

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$$ex \quad 9m = \left(11m - \left(\frac{4.2m}{2.1} \right) \right)$$

2) Flying Height of Airplane above Datum

$$fx \quad H = \left(\left(\frac{f_{len}}{P} \right) + h_1 \right)$$

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$$ex \quad 11m = \left(\left(\frac{4.2m}{2.1} \right) + 9m \right)$$

3) Focal Length of Lens given Photo Scale

$$fx \quad f_{len} = (P \cdot (H - h_1))$$

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$$ex \quad 4.2m = (2.1 \cdot (11m - 9m))$$



4) Photo Scale given Focal Length

$$fx \quad P = \left(\frac{f_{len}}{H - h_1} \right)$$

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$$ex \quad 2.1 = \left(\frac{4.2m}{11m - 9m} \right)$$

Stadia Surveying

5) Additive Constant or Stadia Constant

$$fx \quad C = (f + D_c)$$

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$$ex \quad 10m = (2m + 8m)$$

6) Distance Equation given Index Error

$$fx \quad D = \left(K_M \cdot \frac{S_i}{m - e} \right) + C_{add}$$

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$$ex \quad 35.5m = \left(12 \cdot \frac{3m}{3.1 - 1.5} \right) + 13$$


7) Horizontal Distance between Center of Transit and Rod

fx
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$$H_{Horizontal} = \left(K \cdot R_i \cdot (\cos(a))^2 \right) + (fc \cdot \cos(a))$$

$$ex \quad 26.90396m = \left(11.1 \cdot 3.2m \cdot (\cos(30^\circ))^2 \right) + (0.3048m \cdot \cos(30^\circ))$$



8) Horizontal Distance using Gradiometer 

$$fx \quad D = s_i \cdot \frac{100 \cdot \cos(x)^2 \cdot 0.5 \cdot \sin(2 \cdot x)}{m \cdot c}$$

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$$ex \quad 10.98572m = 3m \cdot \frac{100 \cdot \cos(20^\circ)^2 \cdot 0.5 \cdot \sin(2 \cdot 20^\circ)}{3.1 \cdot 2.5m}$$

9) Intercept on Rod between Two Sighting Wires 

$$fx \quad R = \frac{D_s}{\left(\frac{f}{R_i}\right) + C}$$

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$$ex \quad 6.023529m = \frac{64m}{\left(\frac{2m}{3.2m}\right) + 10m}$$

10) Stadia Distance from Instrument Spindle to Rod 

$$fx \quad D_s = R \cdot \left(\left(\frac{f}{R_i} \right) + C \right)$$

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$$ex \quad 63.75m = 6m \cdot \left(\left(\frac{2m}{3.2m} \right) + 10m \right)$$

11) Stadia Interval 

$$fx \quad S_i = m \cdot P_{\text{screw}}$$

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$$ex \quad 15.5m = 3.1 \cdot 5m$$



12) Staff Intercept 

$$fx \quad S_i = D \cdot (\tan(\theta_1) - \tan(\theta_2))$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 3.982713m = 35.5m \cdot (\tan(25^\circ) - \tan(19.5^\circ))$$

13) Staff Intercept in Gradienter given Horizontal Distance 

$$fx \quad S_i = \frac{D}{\frac{100 \cdot \cos(x)^2 \cdot 0.5 \cdot \sin(2 \cdot x)}{m \cdot c}}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 9.6944m = \frac{35.5m}{\frac{100 \cdot \cos(20^\circ)^2 \cdot 0.5 \cdot \sin(2 \cdot 20^\circ)}{3.1 \cdot 2.5m}}$$

14) Staff Intercept in Gradienter given Vertical Distance 

$$fx \quad S_i = \frac{V}{\frac{100 \cdot \sin(2 \cdot x) \cdot 0.5 \cdot \sin(x)^2}{m \cdot c}}$$

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$$ex \quad 8.245573m = \frac{4m}{\frac{100 \cdot \sin(2 \cdot 20^\circ) \cdot 0.5 \cdot \sin(20^\circ)^2}{3.1 \cdot 2.5m}}$$



15) Vertical Distance between Center of Transit and Rod Intersected by Middle Horizontal Crosshair

$$fx \quad V = \frac{1}{2 \cdot ((K \cdot R_i \cdot \sin(2 \cdot a)) + (fc \cdot \sin(a)))}$$

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ex

$$0.016174m = \frac{1}{2 \cdot ((11.1 \cdot 3.2m \cdot \sin(2 \cdot 30^\circ)) + (0.3048m \cdot \sin(30^\circ)))}$$

16) Vertical Distance between Instrument Axis and Lower Vane

$$fx \quad V = D \cdot \tan(\theta_2)$$

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$$ex \quad 12.57121m = 35.5m \cdot \tan(19.5^\circ)$$

17) Vertical Distance using Gradienter

$$fx \quad V = s_i \cdot \frac{100 \cdot \sin(2 \cdot x) \cdot 0.5 \cdot \sin(x)^2}{m \cdot c}$$

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$$ex \quad 1.455326m = 3m \cdot \frac{100 \cdot \sin(2 \cdot 20^\circ) \cdot 0.5 \cdot \sin(20^\circ)^2}{3.1 \cdot 2.5m}$$



Variables Used



- **a** Vertical Inclination of Line of Sight (*Degree*)
- **c** Distance in One Turn (*Meter*)
- **C** Stadia Constant (*Meter*)
- **C_{add}** Additive Constant
- **D** Distance between Two Points (*Meter*)
- **D_c** Distance from Center (*Meter*)
- **D_s** Stadia Distance (*Meter*)
- **e** Index Error
- **f** Focal Length of Telescope (*Meter*)
- **f_{len}** Focal Length of Lens (*Meter*)
- **fc** Instrument Constant (*Meter*)
- **H** Flying Height of Airplane (*Meter*)
- **h₁** Elevation of Point (*Meter*)
- **H_{Horizontal}** Horizontal Distance (*Meter*)
- **K** Stadia Factor
- **K_M** Multiplying Constant
- **m** Revolution of Screw
- **P** Photo Scale
- **P_{screw}** Pitch Screw (*Meter*)
- **R** Intercept on Rod (*Meter*)
- **R_i** Rod Intercept (*Meter*)
- **s_i** Staff Intercept (*Meter*)



- S_i Stadia Interval (Meter)
- V Vertical Distance (Meter)
- x Vertical Angle (Degree)
- θ_1 Vertical Angle to Upper Vane (Degree)
- θ_2 Vertical Angle to Lower Vane (Degree)



Constants, Functions, Measurements used

- **Function:** **cos**, $\cos(\text{Angle})$
Trigonometric cosine function
- **Function:** **sin**, $\sin(\text{Angle})$
Trigonometric sine function
- **Function:** **tan**, $\tan(\text{Angle})$
Trigonometric tangent function
- **Measurement:** **Length** in Meter (m)
Length Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Angle** in Degree ($^{\circ}$)
Angle Unit Conversion 



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