

Ferris State University
Surveying Engineering
Surveying Computation - SURE 215
PROBLEM NUMBER 100

Polaris Observation Reduction For Azimuth
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Write your answers in the spaces provided

From The Following Observation Compute:

- A. The Azimuth Of The Line For Each Set
- B. The Mean Of All The Sets And Its Standard Deviation

Station Occupied Name = "D"

Back Sight Station Name = "E"

Date of Observation (MM:DD:YYYY) = 11/22/2003

Latitude of Station (DD MM SS.ss)= 43 41 20.0

Longitude of Station (DD MM SS.ss)= -85 29 41.0

Standard Longitude of Station (HH MM SS.ss) = -5 0 0

Set Number	B.S. Dir. DDD MM SS	Star Dir. DDD MM SS	Time Dir. HH MM SS	B.S. Rev. DDD MM SS	Star Rev. DDD MM SS	Time Rev. HH MM SS
1	0 2 15	327 26 32	21 8 23	180 2 13	147 25 55	21 11 4
2	45 8 34	12 30 49	21 16 45	225 8 37	192 30 13	21 19 33
3	90 30 4	57 50 15	21 25 44	270 30 7	237 49 35	21 28 55
4	135 20 58	102 39 43	21 35 6	315 20 55	282 38 44	21 38 30

Set No.	Az. Line Dir.	Az. Line Rev.
1	_____	_____
2	_____	_____
3	_____	_____
4	_____	_____

Mean Az. of Line = _____

November 2003

2003	S U N	----- For 0 hrs Universal Time ----						---- Polaris			--- 0 hrs UT							
Date	Declination	--- GHA ---			Eq o Time			Semi-Di	Declination ---			GHA ---						
	d m s	d	m	s	m	s	m s	d m s	d	m	s	d	m	s	h			
Nov 1	SA	-14	13	25.6	184	05	39.7	+16	22.65	16	06.7	89	16	50.9	0	34	09.4	23
Nov 2	SU	-14	32	40.7	184	06	06.7	+16	24.45	16	07.0	89	16	51.3	1	33	15.4	23
Nov 3	MO	-14	51	41.6	184	06	21.9	+16	25.46	16	07.2	89	16	51.7	2	32	22.8	23
Nov 4	TU	-15	10	27.9	184	06	25.2	+16	25.68	16	07.5	89	16	52.1	3	31	30.8	23
Nov 5	WE	-15	28	59.2	184	06	16.5	+16	25.10	16	07.7	89	16	52.5	4	30	38.8	23
Nov 6	TH	-15	47	15.1	184	05	55.6	+16	23.70	16	08.0	89	16	52.8	5	29	46.1	23
Nov 7	FR	-16	05	15.3	184	05	22.3	+16	21.49	16	08.2	89	16	53.1	6	28	52.4	23
Nov 8	SA	-16	22	59.4	184	04	36.6	+16	18.44	16	08.5	89	16	53.5	7	27	57.8	23
Nov 9	SU	-16	40	26.9	184	03	38.4	+16	14.56	16	08.7	89	16	53.8	8	27	02.3	23
Nov 10	MO	-16	57	37.6	184	02	27.5	+16	09.83	16	08.9	89	16	54.2	9	26	06.3	23
Nov 11	TU	-17	14	31.0	184	01	03.8	+16	04.25	16	09.2	89	16	54.5	10	25	10.3	23
Nov 12	WE	-17	31	06.7	183	59	27.3	+15	57.82	16	09.4	89	16	54.9	11	24	14.7	23
Nov 13	TH	-17	47	24.5	183	57	38.0	+15	50.53	16	09.6	89	16	55.3	12	23	20.3	23
Nov 14	FR	-18	03	23.8	183	55	35.8	+15	42.38	16	09.8	89	16	55.7	13	22	27.3	23
Nov 15	SA	-18	19	04.3	183	53	20.6	+15	33.37	16	10.0	89	16	56.1	14	21	36.1	22
Nov 16	SU	-18	34	25.7	183	50	52.5	+15	23.50	16	10.2	89	16	56.5	15	20	46.8	22
Nov 17	MO	-18	49	27.5	183	48	11.5	+15	12.76	16	10.5	89	16	56.9	16	19	59.4	22
Nov 18	TU	-19	04	09.3	183	45	17.6	+15	01.17	16	10.7	89	16	57.3	17	19	13.3	22
Nov 19	WE	-19	18	30.7	183	42	10.9	+14	48.73	16	10.9	89	16	57.7	18	18	27.9	22
Nov 20	TH	-19	32	31.5	183	38	51.6	+14	35.44	16	11.1	89	16	58.1	19	17	42.3	22
Nov 21	FR	-19	46	11.1	183	35	19.7	+14	21.31	16	11.3	89	16	58.4	20	16	55.5	22
Nov 22	SA	-19	59	29.2	183	31	35.4	+14	06.36	16	11.5	89	16	58.7	21	16	06.8	22
Nov 23	SU	-20	12	25.4	183	27	38.9	+13	50.59	16	11.6	89	16	59.0	22	15	16.2	22
Nov 24	MO	-20	24	59.3	183	23	30.4	+13	34.03	16	11.8	89	16	59.4	23	14	24.2	22
Nov 25	TU	-20	37	10.7	183	19	10.3	+13	16.69	16	12.0	89	16	59.7	24	13	32.3	22
Nov 26	WE	-20	48	59.0	183	14	38.8	+12	58.59	16	12.2	89	17	00.1	25	12	41.9	22
Nov 27	TH	-21	00	24.1	183	09	56.3	+12	39.75	16	12.4	89	17	00.6	26	11	54.0	22
Nov 28	FR	-21	11	25.4	183	05	02.9	+12	20.20	16	12.6	89	17	01.0	27	11	09.1	22
Nov 29	SA	-21	22	02.7	182	59	59.1	+11	59.94	16	12.7	89	17	01.4	28	10	26.8	22
Nov 30	SU	-21	32	15.7	182	54	45.2	+11	39.01	16	12.9	89	17	01.8	29	09	46.2	21

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POLARIS OBSERVATION REDUCTIONS

			Set 1	Set 2	Comments/ Operations
1	Backsight	D	0° 02' 15"	45° 08' 34"	
2		F	180° 02' 13"	225° 08' 37"	
3		Average	0° 02' 14"	45° 08' 35.5"	
4	Foresight	D	327° 26' 32"	12° 30' 49"	
5		F	147° 25' 55"	192° 30' 13"	
6		Average	327° 26' 13.5"	12° 30' 31"	
7	Angle: FS – BS		327° 23' 59.5"	327° 21' 55.5"	6-3
8	Time	D	21 ^h 09 ^m 23 ^s	21 ^h 16 ^m 45 ^s	
9		R	21 ^h 11 ^m 04 ^s	21 ^h 19 ^m 33 ^s	
10		Average	21 ^h 09 ^m 43.5 ^s	21 ^h 18 ^m 09 ^s	
11	Zone Correction		5 ^h	5 ^h	
12	Greenwich Civil Time of Observation		26 ^h 09 ^m 43.5 ^s	26 ^h 18 ^m 09 ^s	GCT 10+11
13			2 ^h 09 ^m 43.5 ^s	2 ^h 18 ^m 09 ^s	GCT
14	Greenwich Hour Angle @ 0 ^h UT		22° 15' 16.2"	22° 15' 16.2"	GHA
15	Change in Sidereal Time *		32° 31' 12.2"	34° 37' 55.4"	
16	GHA @ Time of Observation		54° 46' 28.4"	56° 53' 11.6"	
17	Longitude (West -, East +)		-85° 29' 41.0"	-85° 29' 41.0"	
18	Local Hour Angle Polaris		329° 16' 47.4"	331° 23' 30.6"	16+17
19	Hour Angle **		30° 43' 12.6"	28° 36' 29.4"	t
20	Declination (δ)		89° 16' 59"	89° 16' 59"	
21	Latitude (φ)		43° 41' 20"	43° 41' 20"	
22	Azimuth of Polaris ***		0° 30' 42.4"	0° 28' 47.2"	Z
23	Azimuth of Line		33° 06' 42.9"	33° 06' 51.7"	
24	Mean Azimuth of All Sets		33° 06' 37.8"		

Note that operations in red refer to the line number in the table.

* Compute the Change in Sidereal Time using:

$$\text{Change} = \text{GCT} * \left(15 \frac{\circ}{\text{h}}\right) * \left(\frac{366.2422}{365.2422}\right)$$

** If the LHA > 180°, then t = 360° – LHA and t is east and +.
If the LHA < 180°, then t = LHA and t is west and -.

** *The Azimuth is computed as:

$$\tan Z = \frac{\sin t}{\tan \delta \cos \phi - \sin \phi \cos t}$$

POLARIS OBSERVATION REDUCTIONS

		Set 3	Set 4	Comments/ Operations	
1	Backsight	D	90° 30' 04"	135° 20' 58"	
2		F	270° 30' 07"	315° 20' 55"	
3		Average	90° 30' 05.5"	135° 20' 56.5"	
4	Foresight	D	57° 50' 15"	102° 39' 43"	
5		F	237° 49' 35"	282° 38' 44"	
6		Average	57° 49' 55"	102° 39' 13.5"	
7	Angle: FS - BS		327° 19' 49.5"	327° 18' 17"	6-3
8	Time	D	21 ^h 25 ^m 44 ^s	21 ^h 35 ^m 06 ^s	
9		R	21 ^h 28 ^m 55 ^s	21 ^h 38 ^m 30 ^s	
10		Average	21 ^h 27 ^m 19.5 ^s	21 ^h 36 ^m 48 ^s	
11	Zone Correction		5 ^h	5 ^h	
12	Greenwich Civil Time of Observation		26 ^h 27 ^m 19.5 ^s	26 ^h 36 ^m 48 ^s	GCT 10+11
13			2 ^h 27 ^m 19.5 ^s	2 ^h 36 ^m 48 ^s	GCT
14	Greenwich Hour Angle @ 0 ^h UT		22° 15' 16.2"	22° 15' 16.2"	GHA
15	Change in Sidereal Time *		36° 55' 55.5"	39° 18' 26.4"	
16	GHA @ Time of Observation		59° 11' 11.7"	61° 33' 42.6"	
17	Longitude (West -, East +)		-85° 29' 41"	-85° 29' 41"	
18	Local Hour Angle Polaris		333° 41' 30.7"	336° 04' 01.6"	16+17
19	Hour Angle **		26° 18' 29.3"	23° 55' 58.4"	t
20	Declination (δ)		89° 16' 59"	89° 16' 59"	
21	Latitude (φ)		43° 41' 20"	43° 41' 20"	
22	Azimuth of Polaris ***		0° 26' 39.1"	0° 24' 24.0"	Z
23	Azimuth of Line		33° 06' 49.6"	33° 06' 07.0"	
24	Mean Azimuth of All Sets				

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$$\text{Change} = \text{GCT} * \left(15 \frac{\circ}{\text{h}}\right) * \left(\frac{366.2422}{365.2422}\right)$$

** If the LHA > 180°, then t = 360° - LHA and t is east and +.
If the LHA < 180°, then t = LHA and t is west and -.

*** The Azimuth is computed as:

$$\tan Z = \frac{\sin t}{\tan \delta \cos \phi - \sin \phi \cos t}$$

	Set 1			Set 2		
BS - Direct	0	2	15	45	8	34
BS - Reverse	180	2	13	225	8	37
	0.0375	180.0369	0.037222	45.14278	225.1436	45.14319
FS - Direct	327	26	32	12	30	49
FS - Reverse	147	25	55	192	30	13
	327.4422	147.4319	327.4371	12.51361	192.5036	12.50861
	327.3999			327.3654		
Angle	327	23	59.5	327	21	55.5
Time - Direct	21	8	23	21	16	45
Time - Reverse	21	11	4	21	19	33
	21.13972	21.18444	21.16208	21.27917	21.32583	21.3025
Time	21	9	43.5	21	18	9
Zone Corr	5			5		
GCT of Obs	2.162083			2.3025		
GHA @ 0hr UT	22	15	16.2	22	15	16.2
Change in Sidereal Time	32.52005			34.63207		
GHA Polaris @ Obs. Time	54.77455	54.77455		56.88657	56.88657	
Longitude	-85	29	41	-85	29	41
	-85.4947			-85.4947		
LHA Polaris	-30.7202			-28.6082		
t	30.72017			28.60816		
Declination	89	16	59	89	16	59
Latitude	43	41	20	43	41	20
t, decl, lat - radians	0.536168	1.558283	0.762515	0.499307	1.558283	0.762515
tan Z - Z (dec degrees)	0.008932		0.511768	0.008374		0.479789
Z	0	30	42.36555	0	28	47.23977
	-326.888	33.11191		-326.886	33.11437	
Azimuth	33	6	42.86555	33	6	51.73977

33.1105

Average Azimuth	33	6	37.80817
Standard Deviation			18.07977

	Set 3			Set 4		
BS - Direct	90	30	4	135	20	58
BS - Reverse	270	30	7	315	20	55
	90.50111	270.5019	90.50153	135.3494	315.3486	135.349
FS - Direct	57	50	15	102	39	43
FS - Reverse	237	49	35	282	38	44
	57.8375	237.8264	57.83194	102.6619	282.6456	102.6538
Angle	327.3304			327.3047		
	327	19	49.5	327	18	17
Time - Direct	21	25	44	21	35	6
Time - Reverse	21	28	55	21	38	30
	21.42889	21.48194	21.45542	21.585	21.64167	21.61333
Time	21	27	19.5	21	36	48
Zone Corr	5			5		
GCT of Obs	2.455417			2.613333		
GHA @ 0hr UT	22	15	16.2	22	15	16.2
Change in Sidereal Time	36.9321			39.30733		
GHA Polaris @ Obs. Time	59.1866	59.1866		61.56183	61.56183	
Longitude	-85	29	41	-85	29	41
	-85.4947			-85.4947		
LHA Polaris	-26.3081			-23.9329		
t	26.30813			23.93289		
Declination	89	16	59	89	16	59
Latitude	43	41	20	43	41	20
t, decl, lat - radians	0.459163	1.558283	0.762515	0.417708	1.558283	0.762515
tan Z - Z (dec degrees)	0.007753		0.444199	0.007098		0.40667
Z	0	26	39.11574	0	24	24.01162
	-326.886	33.11378		-326.898	33.10195	
Azimuth	33	6	49.61574	33	6	7.011619