



General basic of surveying

Surveying

Surveying has been defined as the science, art, and technology of measuring distances, angles, and positions on or near the surface of the earth.

Measurements and Errors القياسات والاختفاء

units of measurement

1. linear measurement units وحدات القياس الخطية
2. angular units of measurement وحدات القياس الزاوية

1- linear measurement units

Two different systems are in use for specifying units of observed quantities, the metric and English systems.

1.1. Metric system

Because of its widespread adoption, the metric system is called the International System of Units, abbreviated SI.

Length measurements

- ☐ The basic unit employed for length measurements in the metric or SI system is the meter.
- ☐ Subdivisions of the meter (m) are the millimeter (mm), centimeter (cm), and decimeter (dm).

1 meter (m)= 1000 millimeter (mm)=100 centimeter (cm)

1 meter (m)= 10 decimeter (dm)= 10⁻³ kilometer (km)

kilometer (km) = 1000 m.



Area measurements

- ☐ Areas in the metric system are specified using the square meter (m²).
- ☐ Large areas are given in hectares (ha)

$$1 \text{ ha} = 10,000 \text{ m}^2$$

$$\text{Dunam} = 2500 \text{ m}^2 = 0.25 \text{ ha}$$

Volume measurements

The cubic meter (m³) is used for volumes in the SI system.

1.2 English system

- ☐ The basic unit employed for length measurements in the English system is the foot.
- ☐ (mile, ft, inch)

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \text{ foot (ft)}(') &= 12 \text{ inch(in)}(') = 1/3 \text{ yard(yd)} \\ 1 \text{ mile (mil)} &= 5280 \text{ ft} \\ 1 \text{ inch} &= 2.54 \text{ centimeters (basis of international foot)} \\ 1 \text{ foot} &= 0.3048 \text{ m (basis of international foot)} \end{aligned}$$

Example

- 1- Convert the following distances (4129.574 m) given in meters to feet
- 2- Convert the following distances (537.52 ft) given in feet to meters:

Sol/ 1-13548.47 ft 2-163.836 m

- In the English system, areas are given in square feet or square yards. Large areas are given in acre.

$$\text{Acre} = 4840 \text{ yd}^2 = 43560 \text{ ft}^2$$

- Volumes in the English system can be given in cubic feet or cubic yards.



2- Angular units of measurement وحدات القياس الزاوية

There are three systems used for angles, namely the sexagesimal, the centesimal and radians.

2.1 Sexagesimal system (degree (°))

- subdivide a circle into 360° (degree). One degree (1°) equals 60' (min), and one min ($1'$) equals 60" (sec).
- $1^\circ = 60'$
- $1' = 60''$

For example

$45^\circ 30' 20''$

2.2 Centesimal system (grad (g))

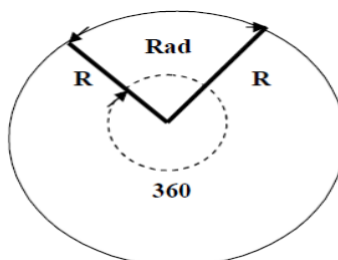
- subdivide a circle into 400 grads
- $1g = 100$ centigrade (cg)
- $1cg = 100$ cent centigrade (ccg)

For example

$82^g 46^{cg} 91^{ccg}$

2.3 Radians system (rad)

the angle subtended at the center of a circle by an arc of a length equal to the radius of the circle





Note

1- Degrees, minutes, and seconds, or the radian, are accepted for angles.

2- $2\pi \text{ rad} = 360^\circ = 400 \text{ g}$

Relation between sexagesimal and radians system

$1 \text{ rad} = 180^\circ/\pi$

- To transform radians to degrees, multiply by $180^\circ/\pi$

$$\text{angle (degree)} = \frac{180^\circ}{\pi} * \text{angle (rad)}$$

- To transform degrees to radians, multiply by $\pi/180^\circ$

$$\text{angle (rad)} = \frac{\pi}{180^\circ} * \text{angle (degree)}$$

Relation between Centesimal and radians system

- To transform degrees to grad, multiply by $400/360$

$$\text{angle (grad)} = \frac{400}{360} * \text{angle (degree)}$$

- To transform grad to degrees, multiply by $360/400$

$$\text{angle (degree)} = \frac{360}{400} * \text{angle (grad)}$$



Example 1

1- An angle of 2.053 rad. Convert this angle to degree

$$\text{angle (degree)} = \frac{180^\circ}{\pi} * \text{angle (rad)}$$

$$\text{angle (degree)} = \frac{180^\circ}{\pi} * 2.053 = 117.628^\circ = 117^\circ 37' 41''$$

$$0.628 * 60 = 37.68'$$

$$0.68 * 60 = 40.8'' = 41''$$

2- An angle of 12°15'26". Convert this angle to radian.

$$\text{angle (rad)} = \frac{\pi}{180^\circ} * \text{angle (degree)}$$

$$\text{rad} = \frac{\pi}{180} \left(12 + \frac{15}{60} + \frac{26}{3600} \right)$$



3- An angle of $142^{\circ}22'15''$. Convert this angle to centesimal and radians system

$$\left(\frac{15}{60} + 22\right) = 22.25'$$

$$\left(\frac{22.25'}{60} + 142\right) = 142.3708^{\circ}$$

$$\text{angle (rad)} = \frac{\pi}{180^{\circ}} * \text{angle (degree)}$$

$$\text{angle (rad)} = \frac{\pi}{180^{\circ}} * 142.3708^{\circ} = 2.48584 \text{ rad}$$

$$\text{angle (grad)} = \frac{400}{360} * \text{angle (degree)}$$

$$\text{angle (grad)} = \frac{400}{360} * 142.3708^{\circ} = 158.18977 \text{ grad}$$

Example 2

1- An angle of 324.4625 grad. Convert this angle to Sexagesimal system (degree, minute, second)

$$\text{angle (degree)} = \frac{360}{400} * \text{angle (grad)}$$

$$\text{angle (degree)} = \frac{360}{400} * 324.4625 = 292.01625^{\circ}$$

$$0.01625 * 60 = 0.975 \text{ min}$$

$$0.975 * 60 = 58.5 \text{ sec}$$

$$292^{\circ}00'58.5''$$