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RELATIONS BETWEEN TWO PLANAR FIELDS OF IMAGES IN CENTRAL-POLAR PROJECTION METHOD

Summary. In central – polar projection method [3] transformations T and T^{-1} convert respectively the field of central projections A_i^s into the field of polar projections A_i^b . In the article have been investigated transformations $*T = \Pi(T)$ and $*T^{-1} = \Pi(T^{-1})$ (Π = collinear transformation) and in the latter 5 cases have been discussed.

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Streszczenie. Na wstępie przypomniano krótko zasadę odwzorowania środkowo – biegunowego O–SB oraz jego aparat projekcyjny A . Podano również definicje przekształceń T i T^{-1} opisanych w [3]. Przekształcenia te przeprowadzają odpowiednio układ rzutów środkowych A_i^s w układ rzutów A_i^b punktów A_i przynależnych do płaszczyzny α przestrzeni $\{P\}$ oraz układ rzutów biegunowych A_i^b w układ rzutów A_i^s punktów A_i . Celem artykułu jest zbadanie własności przekształceń $*T = \Pi(T)$ i $*T^{-1} = \Pi(T^{-1})$ wynikających z $*A = \Pi(A)$, gdzie Π jest przekształceniem środkowo–kolineacyjnym [2]. Wykazano, że $*T$ ma charakter liniowo – kwadratowy, a $*T^{-1}$ kwadratowy. W tym ostatnim przekształceniu, w zależności od położenia płaszczyzny granicznej przestrzeni $\{P\}$ względem pewnego stożka S_1 stopnia 2, wyróżniono i omówiono 5 przypadków dotyczących odpowiedniości $*A_i^b \rightarrow *A_i \in *\alpha$.

Let us briefly recall the principle of Central – Polar Projection (C-PP) and its projecting apparatus A which have been described by W.A.Pieklicz in the article [3]. The projection can be accomplished in the following way: the apparatus A is determined in the form of a sphere K and a plane τ tangent to K at point T . Next, points A_i ($i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$) of space $\{P\}$ are projected from the centre O of the sphere K onto the plane τ of projection. Thus, central projections (images) A_i^s of the points A_i are obtained. Then for each point A its polar plane σ with respect to K is found as well as the line $k_\sigma =$

$\sigma \cap \tau$. The points A_i are projected orthogonally onto corresponding lines $k_{\sigma i}$. Thus, polar projections (images) A_i^b of the points A_i are achieved.

The truth of the following statements (and converse ones) have been proved [3]:

1. To each point $A \in \{P\}$ of projection plane τ correspond two points A^s and A^b which are collinear with the point T and the line $A^s A^b$ is perpendicular to k_σ .
2. To each line $p \in \{P\}$ of projection plane τ correspond: a line p^s as its central projection and a circle p^b with diameter TP as its polar projection, the point P being $P = p' \cap \tau$ and the lines p and p' – polar lines with regard to K .

In the article [2] generalization of $C-PP$ and A has been described. It can be executed by means of central –collinear transformation Π determined between spaces $\{P\}$ and $\{^*P\}$, which can be written in the symbolic form of the following relations:

$$\Pi(C-PP) = ^*C - ^*P^*P \quad \text{and} \quad \Pi(A) = ^*A$$

The sphere K and projection plane τ of the apparatus A are transformed into quadric *K and projection plane $^*\tau$ of the apparatus *A respectively, the planar fields (τ) and $(^*\tau)$ having common base (it has been assumed that the centre S of perspectivity belongs to τ). To the point T of contact between τ and K corresponds tangency point *T of $^*\tau$ and *K and to the centre O of the sphere K – point *O being the pole of the vanishing plane $^*\xi \in \{^*P\}$ with respect to *K .

The purpose of this article is to investigate what happens to the properties of the transformation T (as well as the converse one T^{-1}) described for $C-PP$ if they are conveyed onto $^*C - ^*P^*P$, another words to characterize the transformations $^*T = \Pi(T)$ and $^*T^{-1} = \Pi(T^{-1})$.

ANALYSIS OF TRANSFORMATIONS T AND *T

Definition 1. The transformation which converts the field of projections (images) A_i^s into the field of projections (images) A_i^b of points A_i belonging to an arbitrary plane α of space $\{P\}$ will be named *transformation T* .

Let the projecting apparatus A be given as well as a plane α and a point A^s moving along a line p^s of the projections plane τ . To subsequent positions A_i^s of the point A correspond projecting rays OA_i^s generating pencil (O) , the base of which is projecting plane intersecting α along the line p which in turn is the the base of range of points (A_i) .

The correspondence $A_i^s \rightarrow A_i$ is central projection, hence it is linear.

The polar projections A_i^b of points $A_i \in p$ determine a circle $p^b \in \tau$ being the polar projections of the line p .

Therefore, the correspondence $A_i \rightarrow A_i^b$ is quadratic. Thus, the transformation T such that $A_i^s(T) = A_i^b$, which is the product of the above –described correspondences is of linear–quadratic nature [3].

Now let us consider the nature of the transformation *T . We can apply similar reasoning as the previous one i.e. we can seek the results through the apparatus $^*A = \Pi(A)$. It is sufficient, however, to take the following relations between the fields of the pairs of projections in the plane τ [2]:

$$(^*A_i^s) = \Pi(A_i^s) \quad \text{and} \quad (^*A_i^b) = \Pi(A_i^s)$$

From the above it can be immediately concluded that $*p^s$ is a line and $*p^b$ – a conic and that the correspondence $*A_i^s \rightarrow *A_i$ is linear (central projection in $*C-*P*P$) and the correspondence $*A_i \rightarrow *A_i^b$ – quadratic.

Therefore, the product of these two correspondences, another words the transformation $*T$, is also of linear –quadratic nature.

ANALYSIS OF TRANSFORMATIONS T^{-1} AND $*T^{-1}$

Definition 2. The transformation T^{-1} is such a transformation which converts the field of projections (images) A_i^b into the field of projections (images) A_i^s of points A_i belonging to an arbitrary plane α of space $\{P\}$.

Let again be given the projecting apparatus A , an arbitrary plane α and point A^b moving along a line p^b of the projections plane τ . It is known that in the field (A_i^b) of polar projections to each line TA^b is attached at point A^b a line k_σ perpendicular to TA^b .

It means that the set of the lines $k_{\sigma i} = \sigma_i \cap \tau$ forms a pencil (k^2) of 2^{nd} order. The envelope of (k^2) is a parabola s with its focus at the point T and the vertex at the point of tangency with the line p^b (fig.1).

Let us consider the correspondence: $A_i^b \rightarrow A_i \in \alpha$. As it has been proved [3] this is a quadratic correspondence. It results from the following reasoning: let the polar transformation with respect to the sphere K be applied to the set of lines $k_{\sigma i}$. Then a new set $k'_{\sigma i}$ is obtained, the lines $k_{\sigma i}$ and $k'_{\sigma i}$

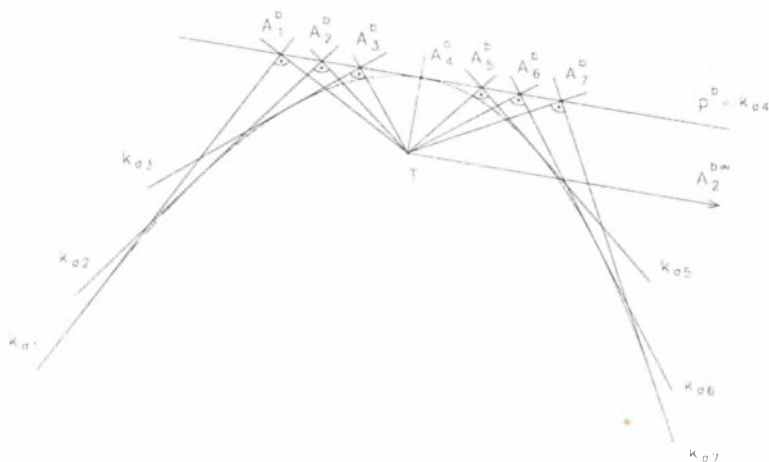


Fig.1. Parabola as the result of point A^b moving along line p^b
 Rys.1. Parabola jako wynik poruszającego się punktu A^b wzdłuż prostej p^b

being polar lines. Note that the lines $k'_{\sigma i}$ pass through the point T which is the pole of the projection plane τ . Thus, the above – mentioned polar transformation converts the pencil (k^2) of 2^{nd} order into the bundle (T) , the elements $k'_{\sigma i}$ of which are the generators of a cone S_1

of 2nd degree. In the correspondence $A_i^b \rightarrow A_i$ the conic $p = S_1 \cap \alpha$ is the image of the line p^b , which means that this correspondence is of quadratic nature.

Naturally, the line p^b of the plane τ is the projection (image) of the conic p .

Now let us take the correspondence $A_i \rightarrow A_i^s$. It is clear that this is central projection. The conic p and the centre O of the sphere K also determine a cone S_2 of 2nd degree. In the correspondence $A_i \rightarrow A_i^s$ the conic $p^s = S_2 \cap \tau$ is the image of the conic p of the projection plane τ , which means that the correspondence is also quadratic.

Therefore, the transformation T^{-1} such that $A_i^b (T^{-1}) = A_i^s$ being the product of the above – described correspondences, is of the quadratic nature [3].

In like manner let us consider the transformation $*T^{-1}$. Let this time, as the results of transformation Π , be given: the projecting apparatus $*A$, plane $*\alpha$ and point $*A^b$ moving along the line $*p^b$ belonging to the projecting plane $*\tau$. It is clear that the above – listed objects of space $\{P\}$ correspond in perspective collineation to the objects of space $\{P\}$.

Similarly to the previous case, to each line $*T*A^b$ a line $*k_{\sigma}$ at point $*A^b$ is attached. This line, however, is not perpendicular to $*T*A^b$ because the transformation Π does not preserve the right angle. It denotes that the set of lines $*k_{\sigma i} = *\sigma_i \cap *\tau$ is a pencil of 2nd order circumscribing a conic s which, unlike the previous case, can be any of three types resulting from the affine classification of the conic sections. Naturally, the type of the conic $*s$ depends on the position of the vanishing line g of the field (τ) with respect to parabola s .

Next, let us consider the correspondence $*A^b \rightarrow *A_i \in *\alpha$. The polar transformation with respect to the quadric $*K$ converts the set of lines $*k_{\sigma i}$ into the set of lines $*k'_{\sigma i}$. The latter pass through the point $*T$ being the polar of the projection plane $*\tau$. It means that the pencil $(*k^2)$ has been transformed into bundle $(*T)$, the elements of which are the generators of a cone $*S_1$ of 2nd order. The intersection of this cone and the plane $*\alpha$ is a conic $*p$ which in the correspondence $*A_i^b \rightarrow *A_i$ is the image of the range $*p^b$ on $*\alpha$. Therefore, it means that this correspondence is of the quadratic nature as well.

However, the above – described general relations can in $*C - *P*P$ assume a few particular forms because the succession of various cases may occur. Depending on the position of the vanishing plane η of space $\{P\}$ towards the cone S_1 and assumption that α is generally positioned with respect to it, the following cases are possible:

- The plane η intersects S_1 in non-degenerate conic
- The plane η intersects S_1 in two real and different generating lines
- The plane η intersects S_1 in two coincident generating lines (η is tangent to S_1)
- The plane η intersects S_1 at point T but is not tangent to K
- The plane η intersects S_1 at point T and is tangent to K .

Ad a) It is a general case. To the cone S_1 in $*C - *P*P$ correspond: a cone $*S_1$ with point $*T$ as the vertex, to the conic p – a conic $*p = \Pi(p)$ of the plane $*\alpha$ and to the parabola s – a conic $*s = \Pi(s)$.

Ad b) To the cone S_1 in $*C - *P*P$ corresponds a hyperbolic cylinder $*S_1$ whose generators $*k'_{\sigma i}$ pass through point $*T^\infty$, whereas to the conic p – a hyperbola $*p$ of the plane $*\alpha$.

Since the vanishing line g of the field (τ) passes through point T being the focus of the parabola s , then this line is secant towards s , which means that in the field $(*\tau)$ to this parabola corresponds a hyperbola $*s$.

Ad c). To the cone S_1 in $*C - *P*P$ corresponds a parabolic cylinder $*S_1$ with vertex $*T^\infty$, whereas to the conic p - a parabola $*p$.

Similarly to the previous case and on account of the same reason, to the parabola s corresponds a hyperbola $*s$ in the field $(*\tau)$.

Ad d). To the cone S_1 in $*C - *P*P$ corresponds an elliptic cylinder $*S_1$ with vertex $*T^\infty$, to the conic p - an ellipse $*p$, and to the parabola s - a hyperbola $*s$.

Ad e). In this case we have $\eta \equiv \tau$. For practical reasons (the images on the projection plane τ are transformed into elements at infinity) this case is not considered.

Lastly let us take the case where the planes η and α are parallel. Then the homologous conics p and $*p$ are centrally similar.

Finally, let us take the correspondence $*A_i \rightarrow *A_i^s$, which is central projection. The conic $*p$ and the point $*O$ of the quadric $*K$ determine a cone $*S_2$ of 2nd order (a cylinder - in particular case where $O \in \eta$). The conic $*p^s = *S_2 \cap *\tau$ is the image of the conic $*p \in *\alpha$ and the correspondence in question is a quadratic one.

Therefore, the transformation $*T^{-1}$ such that $*A_i^b (*T^{-1}) = *A_i^s$ and being a composition of the last - considered two correspondences, is also of the quadratic character.

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Abstract

At the beginning of the article the principle of central - polar projection (C-PP) as well as its projecting apparatus A have been recalled. Also definitions of transformations T and T^{-1} described in [3] have been given. The transformations convert respectively : the planar field of central projections A_i^s into the field of polar projections A_i^b of points A_i belonging to plane α of space $\{P\}$ and the field of projections A_i^b into the field of projections A_i^s of points A_i . The purpose of the article is to investigate the properties of transformations $*T = \Pi(T)$ and $*T^{-1} = \Pi(T^{-1})$ resulting from relation $*A = \Pi(A)$, where Π is central - collinear transformation. It has been proved that $*T$ is of linear quadratic nature and $*T^{-1}$ is quadratic. In the latter, depending on the position of the vanishing plane of space $\{P\}$ towards a certain cone of 2nd order, five cases concerning correspondence $*A_i^b \rightarrow *A_i \in *\alpha$ have been singled out and discussed.