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## PERSPECTIVE OF VERTICAL SEGMENTS ON THE SLOPE PROJECTION PLANE

**Summary.** A simple construction for measurement of vertical segments on the slope projection plane is presented.

## PERSPEKTYWA PIONOWYCH ODCINKÓW NA NACHYLONEJ PŁASZCZYŹNIE TŁOWEJ

**Streszczenie.** Przedstawiona jest tu prosta konstrukcja mierzenia pionowych odcinków na nachylonej płaszczyźnie tłowej.

## PERSPEKTIV DER VERTIKALEN SEGMENTS AUF DER GENEIGTEN BILDEBENE

**Zusammenfassung.** Eine einfache Konstruktion der vertikalen Segments auf der geneigten Bildebene is eingeführt.

### 1. Introduction

In this paper a simple construction for the measurement of vertical segments on the slope projection plane is presented. We shall see that this construction resembles that one on the vertical projection plane. On the slope projection plane we have also a parallel translation which must be only completed by an appropriate rotation.

## 2. Construction

Let (Fig. 1) be given: the parallel basis and the horizon lines  $p \parallel h$  (cf. [1]), the symmetrical axis  $l^s \perp p$ , the orthogonal projection  $O^x \in l^s$  of the projection center  $O$  (lying below the horizon line  $h$ ) and the segment  $O^x O^z \perp l^s$  whose measure is the ocular distance  $\delta$ .

We join  $O^x$  with  $Z_0 = h \cap l^s$  and draw through  $O^x$  the line  $z_n^x \perp O^x Z_0$ . The point  $Z_n = z_n^x \cap l^s$  is the convergence point for the vertical lines perpendicular to the basis plane  $\pi$ .

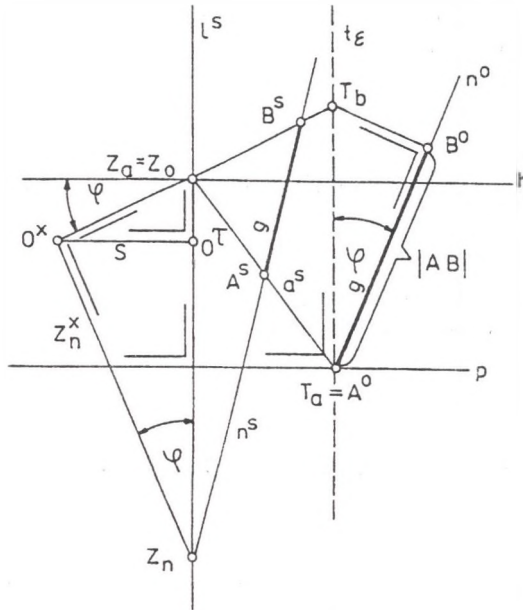


Fig. 1.

The equal angles  $\varphi(h, Z_0 O^x)$  and  $\varphi(z_n^x, l^s)$  represent the angle between the projection plane  $\pi$  and the vertical direction  $V^\infty$ .

The perspective  $A^s$  of a point  $A \in \pi$  is lying on the line  $a^s(T_a, Z_a)$ , where  $T_a$  is some point of  $p$  and  $Z_a = Z_0$ . The line  $n^s(Z_n, A^s)$  is the perspective of the line  $n$  which passes through  $A$  perpendicularly to the basis plane  $\pi$ . If  $B^s$  is a point of  $n^s$  different from  $A^s$ , then  $A^s B^s$  is the perspective of a segment  $AB \perp \pi$  with the end  $A$  on  $\pi$ .

Through  $T_a$  we draw two lines:  $t_\epsilon$  perpendicular to  $p$  and  $n^0$  under the angle  $\varphi$  to  $t_\epsilon$ .

Now we project with  $Z_0$  as the centre  $A^s B^s$  onto  $T_a T_b \in t_\epsilon$  and then we project  $T_a T_b$  orthogonally onto  $A^0 B^0 \subset n^0$ . The obtained segment  $A^0 B^0$  is equal to the segment  $AB \perp \pi$  (with  $A \in \pi$ ) having the given projection  $A^s B^s$ .

### 3. Proof

On Figure 2 (as on Fig. 1) we have the base of projection:  $p \parallel h$ ,  $l^s \perp p$ ,  $0^r \in l^s$  (lying below  $h$ ) and  $0^r 0^s \parallel h$ . We construct the rectangular triangle  $Z_0 0_x Z_n$  with  $Z_0 = h \cap l^s$  and  $Z_n \in l^s$ .

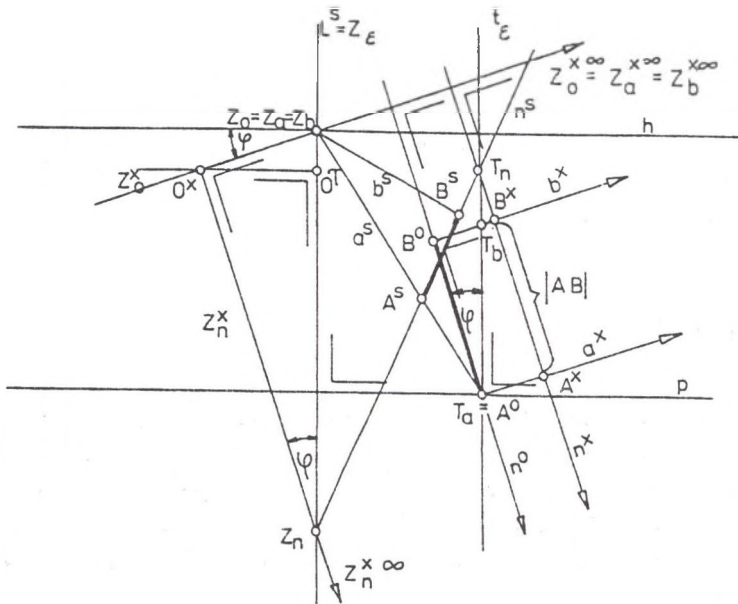


Fig. 2.

We assume the projection  $A^s B^s$  of a segment  $AB \perp \pi$  with  $A \in \pi$ , on the line  $n^s(Z_n, A^s)$ ;  $A^s$  is here putting on the line  $a^s(T_a, Z_n)$ , where  $T_a$  is a point of  $p$  and  $Z_n = Z_0$ .

Now we consider the plane  $\varepsilon$  of the lines  $n$  and  $a$  which intersect each other at the point  $A$ . Its convergence line  $z_\varepsilon(Z_n, Z_a) = l^s$  and its trace  $t_\varepsilon$  on the projection plane passes through  $T_a$  parallelly to  $l^s$ . The line  $b$  passing through  $B$  parallelly to  $a$  has the projection  $b^s(Z_b, B^s)$ , where  $Z_b = Z_a = Z_0$ , and the trace  $T_b = b^s \cap t_\varepsilon$  on the projection plane. Similarly, the trace of the line  $n$  is  $T_n = n^s \cap t_\varepsilon$ .

We construct the rabatment of the plane  $\varepsilon$ :

1. the maps of the points  $Z_0$  and  $Z_n$  are perpendicular directions  $Z_0^{x^\infty} \perp Z_n^{x^\infty}$  of the lines  $z_0^x(0^x, Z_0)$  and  $z_n^x(0^x, Z_n)$ ,
2. The map  $n^x$  of the line  $n^s$  passes through  $T_n$  and has the direction  $Z_n^{x^\infty}$ ,
3. the maps  $a^x$  and  $b^x$  of the lines  $a^s$  and  $b^s$  pass through  $T_a$  and  $T_b$ , respectively, and have the same direction  $Z_a^{x^\infty} = Z_b^{x^\infty} = Z_n^{x^\infty}$ ,
4. the maps of the points  $A^s$  and  $B^s$  are:  $A^x = n^x \cap a^x$  and  $B^x = n^x \cap b^x$ ; the map of the segment  $A^s B^s$  is then the segment  $A^0 B^0$  having the measure  $|AB|$  of the segment  $AB$  projecting onto  $A^s B^s$ .

At the end we draw through  $T_a$  the line  $n^0$  at the angle  $\varphi$  to the line  $t_\varepsilon$ ; of course  $n^0 \parallel z_n^x$  and so  $n^0 \parallel n^x$ . It is easy to see that the lines  $a^x$  and  $b^x$  project orthogonally to  $n^x$  the segment  $A^x B^x$  and the segment  $T_a T_b$  as well onto  $A^0 B^0 \subset n^0$ , where  $A^0 = T_a$ . As the quadrangle  $A^0 B^0 B^x A^x$  is a rectangle we have  $A^x B^x = A^0 B^0$  and so the construction of the Figure 1 is proved.

## 4. Remarks

Conversely, knowing the measure of  $AB$  we can build on Fig. 1 the triangle  $A^0 B^0 T_n$  and obtain the perspective  $A^s B^s$  of  $AB$ . The construction is valid also in the case of a low horizon (when the orthogonal projection  $0^x$  of the projection center  $0$  lies above the horizon line  $h$ ) and of vertical projection plane as well, where the basis and horizon lines are interpreted as the traces on the projection plane of a plane inclined to the horizontal basis plane.

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## Streszczenie

W perspektywie pionowej odcinki pionowe odmierza się po ich równoległym przesunięciu na płaszczyznę tłową. Podana metoda odmierzenia odcinków pionowych w perspektywie na nachylone tło polega także na ich równoległym przesunięciu, tak aby ich dolne końce znalazły się na płaszczyźnie tła, a następnie na ich kładach przez obroty o kąt płaszczyzny tła z pionem. Metoda jest prosta w stosowaniu i przystępna w dydaktyce.