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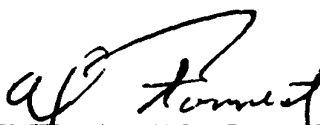
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I. Introduction

This report contains a target position estimation program for each of the following calculators: The Hewlett-Packard HP-41CV, the Sharp PC-1500 (or Radio Shack TRS-80 PC-2), the Sharp PC-1211 (or Radio Shack TRS-80 PC-1), the Casio FX-702P and the Texas Instruments TI-59.

The programs provide a means of implementing a position estimation procedure that is described in Appendix 1. The procedure is based on the following assumptions: Bearings taken on or from a target are available from two or more stations of known position. The positions of the stations and the target are such that they can be considered to be on the surface of a plane (a flat earth model). The error in a bearing taken on or from a station is a normal random variable. Its standard deviation (bearing error) is known and its mean (bias) is zero (if there is bias in a bearing, it is known and it is removed). The errors in bearing measurements are independent.

The position estimation procedure requires an initial estimate of the target's position. In the programs that are given here, the initial estimate is at the intersection of the bearing lines determined by the first two target bearings that are input to the program. Because of the use of this method to choose an initial estimate, the first two stations, with respect to the order of data input, should be chosen so that the intersection of their bearing lines is likely to be closer to the target's position than the intersection of the bearing lines from any other pair of stations.

The target ranges and errors of the bearings of the first two stations determine the distance between the intersection of their bearing lines and the target's position. In particular, if the angular separation between two stations as seen from the target is small relative to the bearing error of one or both of the stations, the bearing lines from the two stations may not intersect. If they do not intersect and they are not parallel, their reciprocal bearing lines will. In this case, if the observed bearings from the two stations were the first two bearing inputs to the program, the initial estimate of the target's position would be at the intersection of the two reciprocal bearing lines, and a gross error in the final position estimate could result.

II. Program User Instructions

Before using a program for the first time, refer to the notes that follow the user's instructions. Also, note the comments in Section I regarding the relationship between the accuracy of the computed estimates and the order of data entry.

For a PC-1211, use the PC-1500 User Instructions. Use the DEF mode and substitute SHFT for DEF wherever DEF appears in the instructions.

Station positions are determined with respect to a known reference point. The reference point can be a station position, in this case the station bearing and range from the reference point are both zero.

Program listings are given in Section IV and two example applications are discussed in Section III.

Position Estimation Program

HP-41CV User Instructions

Step	Instruction	Prompt	Press
1	Select USER mode and enter the program (see Note 1). Press $\Sigma+$ to run the program.		$\Sigma+$
2	Key in, in decimal degrees, the observed bearing of the target from a station or the reciprocal of the observed bearing of the station from the target (see Note 2).	OBS BRG?	R/S
3	Key in the station bearing in decimal degrees from the reference point. Use zero if the station is the reference point.	STA BRG?	R/S
4	Key in the station range (in any units) from the reference point. Use zero if the station is the reference point.	STA RNG?	R/S
5	Key in the bearing error (standard deviation) in decimal degrees.		R/S
6	Repeat Steps 2, 3, 4 & 5 for one or more additional stations.		
7	Compute bearing & range estimates.		1/x
8	A computed target bearing estimate in decimal degrees is displayed.	BRG=est.	R/S
9	A computed target range estimate in meters. For an elliptical containment region, go to Step 10 or Step 17. To enter additional data from new or old stations, go to Step 24.	RNG=est.	
10	For a containment ellipse of a given containment probability, press LN.		LN
11	Key in the desired containment probability.	PRB?	R/S
12	Computed value of the ellipse size: (See Note 3.)	SIZE=val.	R/S

Step	Instruction	Prompt	Press
13	Computed semi-major axis length:	SMJ=val.	R/S
14	Computed major axis direction:	DRC=val.	R/S
15	Computed semi-minor axis length:	SMI=val.	R/S
16	Computed containment ellipse area: (See Note 4.)	A = val.	
17	For a containment ellipse of a given size, press LOG.		LOG
18	Key in the desired containment ellipse size (see Note 3).	SIZE?	R/S
19	Computed value of the containment probability:	PRB=val.	R/S
20	Computed semi-major axis length:	SMJ=val.	R/S
21	Computed major axis direction:	DRC=val.	R/S
22	Computed semi-minor axis length:	SMI=val.	R/S
23	Computed containment ellipse area: (See Note 4.)	A = val.	
24	To enter additional data from new or old stations, press \sqrt{x} and then repeat Steps 2, 3, 4 & 5		\sqrt{x}

Notes:

1. The program size is 35. The key assignments are: TPE \rightarrow Σ^+ , CON \rightarrow \sqrt{x} , EST \rightarrow $1/x$, SIZ \rightarrow LOG and PRB \rightarrow LN. If they are not present, they must be made in order to follow the user instructions. For an alternative, see Appendix 2.
2. Reciprocal bearings are used when bearings are taken on known positions from the unknown position (target).
3. In the model that is the basis for the program, for a given probability of containment, the minimum area containment region is an ellipse centered on the position estimate. The semi-major axis = $k\sigma_{MJ}$ and semi-minor axis = $k\sigma_{MI}$ where k is the size of the ellipse and σ_{MJ} and σ_{MI} are the standard deviations (uncertainty measure) of the position estimate in the major axis and minor axis directions.
4. The area units are the range units squared.

Position Estimation Program

PC-1500 User Instructions

Step	Instruction	Prompt	Press
1	Enter the program. To run the program, press DEF, A. For a PC-1211, see Note 5.		DEF A
2	Key in, in decimal degrees, the observed bearing of the target from a station or the reciprocal of the observed bearing of the station from the target (see Note 1).	OBS BRG?	ENTER
3	Key in the station bearing in decimal degrees from the reference point. Use zero if the station is the reference point.	STA BRG?	ENTER
4	Key in the station range (in any units) from the reference point. Use zero if the station is the reference point.	STA RNG?	ENTER
5	Key in the bearing error (standard deviation) in decimal degrees.	BRG ERR?	ENTER
6	Repeat Steps 2, 3, 4 & 5 for one or more additional stations.		
7	Compute bearing & range estimates.		DEF Z
8	A computed target bearing estimate in decimal degrees is displayed.	BRG=est.	ENTER
9	A computed target range estimate is displayed. For an elliptical containment region, go to Step 10 or Step 17. To enter additional data from new or old stations, go to Step 24.	RNG=est.	
10	For a containment ellipse of a given containment probability, press DEF, X.		DEF X
11	Key in the desired containment probability.	PRB?	ENTER
12	Computed value of the ellipse size: See Note 2.	SIZE=val.	ENTER

Step	Instruction	Prompt	Press
13	Computed semi-major axis length:	SMJ=val.	ENTER
14	Computed major axis direction:	DRC=val.	ENTER
15	Computed semi-minor axis length:	SMI=val.	ENTER
16	Computed containment ellipse area: (See Note 3.)	A = val.	
17	For a containment ellipse of a given size, press DEF, S.		DEF S
18	Key in the desired containment ellipse size (see Note 2).	SIZE?	ENTER
19	Computed value of the containment probability:	PRB=val.	ENTER
20	Computed semi-major axis length:	SMJ=val.	ENTER
21	Computed major axis direction:	DRC=val.	ENTER
22	Computed semi-minor axis length:	SMI=val.	ENTER
23	Computed containment ellipse area: (See Note 3.)	A = val.	
24	To enter additional data from new or old stations, press DEF, C and then repeat Steps 2, 3, 4 & 5.		DEF C

Notes:

1. Reciprocal bearings are used when bearings are taken on known positions from the unknown position (target).
2. In the model that is the basis for the program, for a given probability of containment, the minimum area containment region is an ellipse centered on the position estimate. The semi-major axis = $k\sigma_{MJ}$ and semi-minor axis = $k\sigma_{MI}$ where k is the size of the ellipse and σ_{MJ} and σ_{MI} are the standard deviations (uncertainty measure) of the position estimate in the major axis and minor axis directions.
3. The area units are the range units squared.
4. For a definition of the program initiating keys and their function, press DEF, H. The display will show:
TPE = A EST = Z SIZ = S PRB = X. Next press ENTER. The display will show: CON = C. To repeat the display, press ENTER.
5. For a PC-1211, use the DEF mode and substitute SHFT for DEF wherever DEF appears in the instructions.

Position Estimation Program

FX-702P User Instructions

Step	Instruction	Prompt	Press
1	Enter the program (see Note 1). To run the program, first press F1, Ø.		F1 Ø
2	Next, key in 1 and press EXE.	OPTION?	1 EXE
3	Key in, in decimal degress, the observed bearing of the target from a station or the reciprocal of the observed bearing of the station from the target (see Note 2).	OBS BRG?	EXE
4	Key in the station bearing in decimal degrees from the reference point. Use zero if the station is the reference point.	STA BRG?	EXE
5	Key in the station range (in any units) from the reference point. Use zero if the station is the reference point.	STA RNG?	EXE
6	Key in the bearing error (standard deviation) in decimal degrees.	BRG ERR?	EXE
7	Repeat Steps 3, 4, 5 & 6 for one or more additional stations.		
8	To compute bearing & range estimates, first press F1, Ø.		F1 Ø
9	Next, key in 2 and press EXE.	OPTION?	2 EXE
10	A computed target bearing estimate in decimal degrees is displayed.	BRG=est.	CONT
11	A computed target range estimate is displayed. For an elliptical containment region, go to Step 12 or Step 20. To enter additional data from new or old stations, go to Step 28.	RNG=est.	
12	For a containment ellipse of a given containment probability, first press F1, Ø.		F1 Ø
13	Next, key in 3 and press EXE.	OPTION?	3 EXE

Step	Instruction	Prompt	Press
14	Key in the desired probability.	PRB?	EXE
15	Computed value of the ellipse size: See Note 3.	SIZE=val.	CONT
16	Computed semi-major axis length:	SMJ=val.	CONT
17	Computed major axis direction:	DRC=val.	CONT
18	Computed semi-minor axis length:	SMI=val.	CONT
19	Computed containment ellipse area: See Note 4.	A = val.	
20	For a containment ellipse of a given size, first press F1, Ø.		F1 Ø
21	Next, key in 4 and press EXE.	OPTION?	4 EXE
22	Key in the desired containment ellipse size (see Note 3).	SIZE?	EXE
23	Computed value of the containment probability:	PRB=val.	CONT
24	Computed semi-major axis length:	SMJ=val.	CONT
25	Computed major axis direction:	DRC=val.	CONT
26	Computed semi-minor axis length:	SMI=val.	CONT
27	Computed containment ellipse area: See Note 4.	A = val.	
28	To enter additional data from new or old stations, first press F1, Ø.		F1 Ø
29	Next, key in 5, press EXE and then repeat Steps 3, 4, 5 & 6.	OPTION?	5 EXE

Notes:

1. Enter the program in PØ for F1 Ø activation. Before running the program, first press F2 then DEFM then 1 and then EXE. This is required in order to use the array variables in the program.
2. Reciprocal bearings are used when bearings are taken on known positions from the unknown position (target).
3. In the model that is the basis for the program, for a given probability of containment, the minimum area containment region is an ellipse centered on the position estimate. The semi-major axis = $k\sigma_{MJ}$ and semi-minor axis = $k\sigma_{MI}$ where k is the size of the ellipse and σ_{MJ} and σ_{MI} are the standard deviations (uncertainty measure) of the position estimate in the major axis and minor axis directions.
4. The area units are the range units squared.
5. For a definition of the program options and their function, press F1, Ø. Then after OPTION? is displayed, enter Ø and press EXE. The display will show: TPE = 1 EST = 2 SIZ = 3. Next, press CONT. The display will show: PRB = 4 CON = 5. To repeat the displays, press CONT.

POSITION ESTIMATION PROGRAM

TI-59 USER INSTRUCTIONS

Step	Instruction	Enter	Press	Display
1	Enter the program (see Note 1).			
2	To run the program, press A.		A	9
3	Enter, in decimal degrees, the observed bearing of the target from a station or the reciprocal of the observed bearing of the station from the target (see Note 2).	θ	B	θ
4	Enter the station bearing in decimal degrees from the reference point. Use zero if the station is the reference point.	α	R/S	α
5	Enter the station range from the reference point. Use zero if the station is the reference point. Use any units.	ρ	R/S	ρ
6	Enter the bearing error (standard deviation) in decimal degrees. After pressing R/S, the display indicates the order number of the data entry.	e	R/S	n
7	Repeat Steps 3, 4, 5 & 6 for at least one more station.			
8	Display a bearing estimate $\hat{\phi}$ with respect to the reference station.		C	$\hat{\phi}$
9	Display a range estimate \hat{r} with respect to the reference station. For an elliptical containment region, go to Step 10 or Step 15. To enter additional data from new or old stations, repeat Steps 3, 4, 5 & 6.		R/S	\hat{r}
10	For a containment ellipse of a given containment probability, enter the containment probability. Next, press E and display the ellipse size (see Note 3).	p	E	k
11	Display the semi-major axis length.		R/S	$k\sigma_{MJ}$
12	Display the major axis direction.		R/S	γ
13	Display the semi-minor axis length.		R/S	$k\sigma_{MI}$

Step	Instruction	Enter	Press	Display
14	Display the containment ellipse area. (See Note 4.)		R/S	area
15	For a containment ellipse of a given size, enter the containment ellipse size (See Note 3). Next, press D and display the containment probability.	k	D	p
16	Display the semi-major axis length.		R/S	$k\sigma_{MJ}$
17	Display the major axis direction.		R/S	γ
18	Display the semi-minor axis length.		R/S	$k\sigma_{MI}$
19	Display the containment ellipse area. (See Note 4.)		R/S	area
20	To enter additional data from new or old stations, repeat Steps 3, 4, 5 & 6.			

Notes:

1. The program requires the normal partition. If the calculator has been in use, this can be assured by turning the calculator off and then on before loading the program.
2. Reciprocal bearings are used when bearings are taken on known positions from the unknown position (target).
3. In the model that is the basis for the program, for a given probability of containment, the minimum area containment region is an ellipse centered on the position estimate. The semi-major axis = $k\sigma_{MJ}$ and semi-minor axis = $k\sigma_{MI}$ where k is the size of the ellipse and σ_{MJ} and σ_{MI} are the standard deviations (uncertainty measure) of the position estimate in the major axis and minor axis directions.
4. The area units are the range units squared.
5. Negative bearing estimates and negative major axis directions can result. To convert a negative bearing estimate to the value that would be output by the other programs, add 360° to the estimate. For example, -5° becomes 355° . To convert a negative direction, add 180° . For example, -5° becomes 175° .

III. Two Examples

In Scenario 1, the scenario for the first example, bearings are taken on a target from three separate stations. Figure 1 on Page 18 shows Scenario 1 and Table 1 below gives the station data. The stations are numbered according to the order of station data input to the program.

TABLE 1

	OBS BRG	STA BRG	STA RNG	BRG ERR
Station 1	038°	334°	13500	4°
Station 2	324°	050°	11350	3°
Station 3	003°	000°	0	4°

Note from Table 1 that the reference point is at Station 3.

Program outputs for Scenario 1 are given in List 1 on Page 19. List 1 and List 2 which gives program outputs for Scenario 2, are copies of printer tapes that were generated with a Casio FP-10 printer and a Casio FX-702P using the Casio FX-702P program. With allowance for differences in user instructions, display formats and round-off errors, the tapes indicate the output that should be obtained using any of the other calculator programs except for the TI-59 program where equivalent negative angles occur.

In Scenario 2, the scenario for the second example, bearings are taken from a target on three separate stations. Figure 2 on Page 20 shows Scenario 2 and Table 2 below gives the station data. As in Scenario 1, the stations are numbered according to the order of station data input to the program. In this scenario the reciprocal of the observed bearings are used in order to provide an equivalent scenario that is appropriate for the program.

TABLE 2

	OBS BRG	RCP BRG	STA BRG	STA RNG	BRG ERR
Station 1	211°	031°	000°	0	3°
Station 2	172°	352°	115°	11100	3°
Station 3	146°	326°	082°	13800	3°

Note from Table 2 that the reference point is at Station 1.

Program outputs for Scenario 2 are given in List 2 on Page 21. The two bearing estimates in the list are the reciprocal of the target's estimate of the bearing of Station 1.

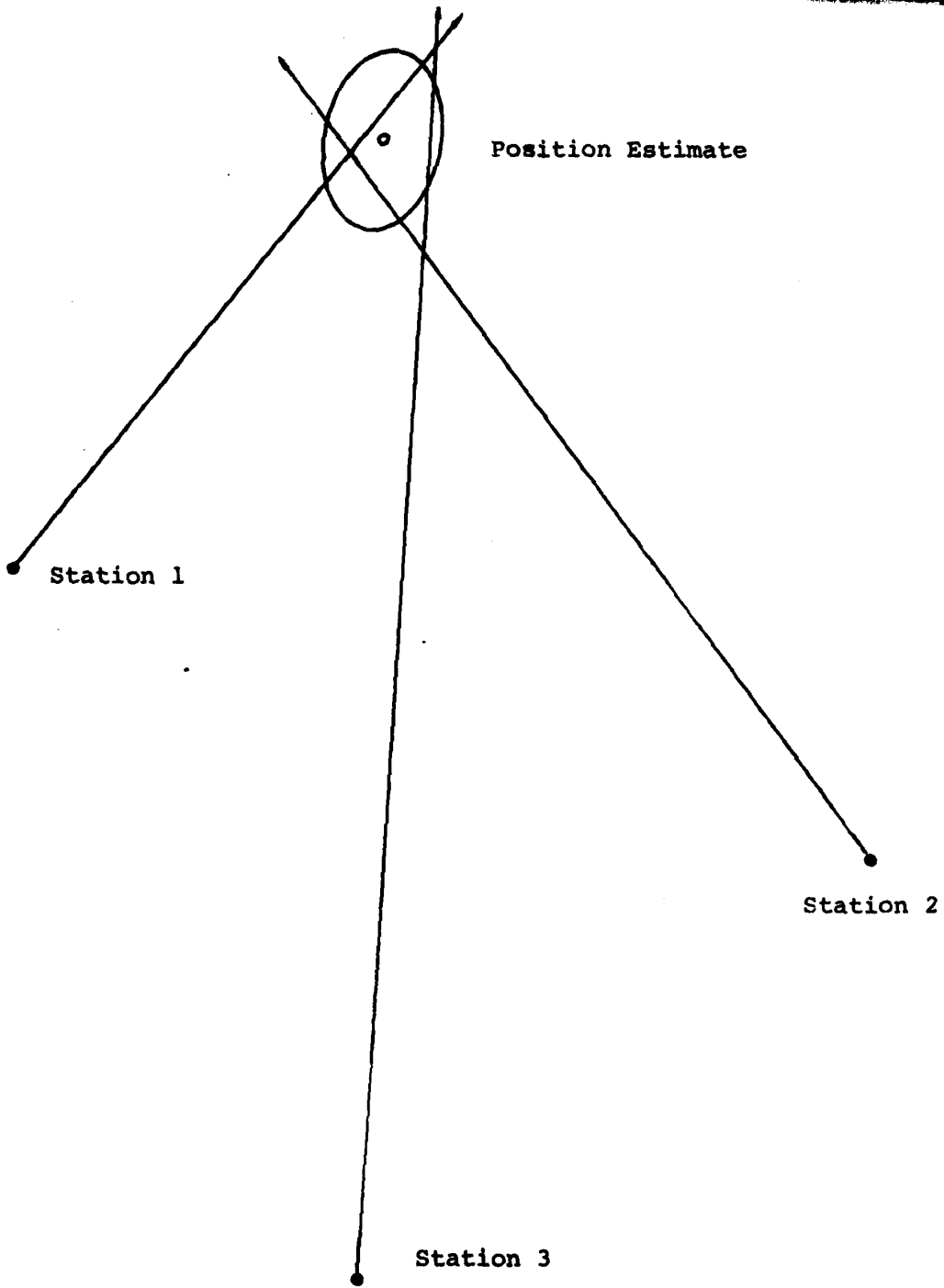


Figure 1. A position estimate and a .83 confidence region.

Table 1 gives the bearings of the indicated bearing lines and List 1 gives the bearing and the range of the position estimate from Station 3.

LIST 1

OPTION?
0
TPE=1 EST=2 SZ=3
PRB=4 CON=5

OPTION?
1
OBS BRG?
38
STA BRG?
334
STA RNG?
13500
BRG ERR?
4
OBS BRG?
324
STA BRG?
50
STA RNG?
11350
BRG ERR?
3
OBS BRG?

OPTION?
2
BRG= 359.51

RNG= 19494.39

END

OPTION?
3
SIZE?
2
PRB= 0.86

SNJ= 1737.32

DIR= 17.69

SNI= 1232.96

A= 6729444.91

END

OPTION?
4
PRB?
.9
SIZE= 2.15

SNJ= 1864.12

DIR= 17.69

SNI= 1322.94

A= 7747339.77

END

OPTION?
5
OBS BRG?
3
STA BRG?
0
STA RNG?
0
BRG ERR?
4
OBS BRG?

OPTION?
2
BRG= 0.15

RNG= 19553.78

END

OPTION?
3
SIZE?
2
PRB= 0.86

SNJ= 1712.95

DIR= 12.48

SNI= 1129.90

A= 6000418.40

END
OPTION?
4
PRB?
.9
SIZE= 2.15

SNJ= 1837.97

DIR= 12.48

SNI= 1212.36

A= 7000340.38

END

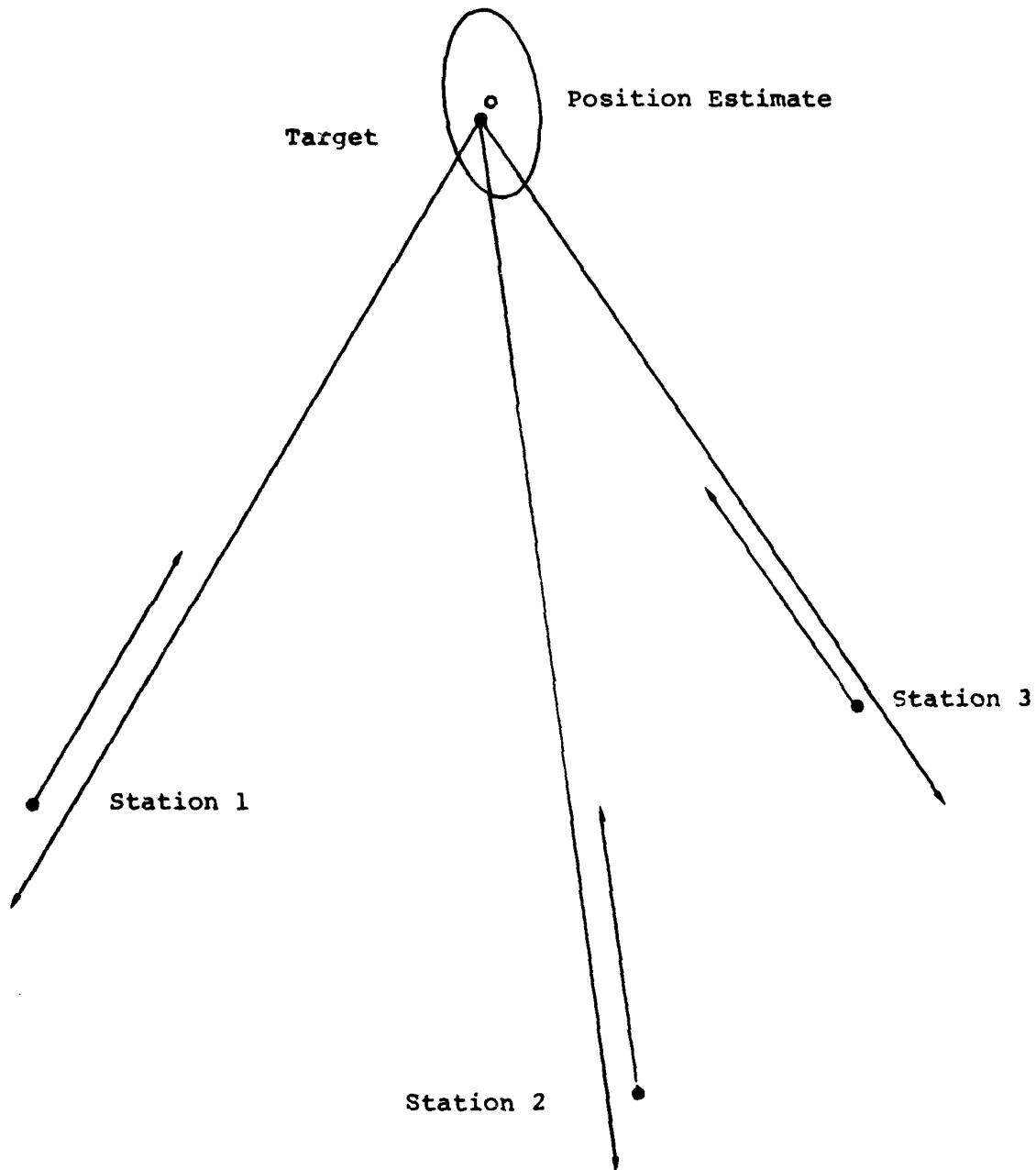


Figure 2. A position estimate and .71 confidence region.
 Table 2 gives the bearings of the indicated bearing lines and List 2 gives the reciprocal bearing and the range of the position estimate from Station 1.

List 2

OPTION?
0
TPE=1 EST=2 SIZ=3
PRB=4 CON=5

OPTION?
1
OBS BRG?
31
STA BRG?
0
STA RNG?
0
BRG ERR?
3
OBS BRG?
352
STA BRG?
115
STA RNG?
11100
BRG ERR?
3
OBS BRG?

OPTION?
2
BRG= 31.00
RNG= 14792.53

END

OPTION?
3
SIZE?
2
PRB= 0.86
SMJ= 3606.56
DIR= 15.39
SMI= 1253.72
A= 14205070.91

END

OPTION?
4
PRB?
.9
SIZE= 2.15
SMJ= 3869.77
DIR= 15.39
SMI= 1345.22
A= 16354192.26

END

OPTION?
5
OBS BRG?
326
STA BRG?
82
STA RNG?
13800
BRG ERR?
3
OBS BRG?

OPTION?
2
BRG= 31.65
RNG= 13765.30

END

OPTION?
3
SIZE?
2
PRB= 0.86

SMJ= 2023.19
DIR= 172.06
SMI= 967.90

A= 6151983.32

END

OPTION?
4
PRB?
.9
SIZE= 2.15

SMJ= 2170.85

DIR= 172.06

SMI= 1038.54

A= 7082732.54

END

IV. Program Listings

HP-41CV PROGRAM

01*LBL "TPE"	51 -	101 ST+ 10
02 DEG	52 SIN	102 RCL IND 10
03 CLRG	53 *	103 STO 12
04 .001	54 STO 15	104 1
05 STO 09	55 RCL 33	105 ST+ 10
06 26	56 RCL 32	106 RCL IND 10
07 STO 10	57 RCL 31	107 STO 13
08*LBL "CON"	58 -	108 1
09 FIX 0	59 SIN	109 ST+ 10
10 "OBS BRG?"	60 *	110 RCL IND 10
11 PROMPT	61 STO 16	111 STO 14
12 STO 11	62 RCL 31	112 XEQ 07
13 "STA BRG?"	63 RCL 27	113 ISG 09
14 PROMPT	64 -	114 GTO 05
15 STO 12	65 SIN	115 GTO "CON"
16 "STA RMC?"	66 STO 17	116*LBL 02
17 PROMPT	67 X=0?	117 XEQ 07
18 STO 13	68 GTO 08	118 GTO "CON"
19 "BRG ERR?"	69 RCL 15	119*LBL 07
20 PROMPT	70 RCL 31	120 RCL 01
21 STO 14	71 SIN	121 RCL 13
22 1	72 *	122 RCL 12
23 ST+ 08	73 RCL 16	123 SIN
24 2	74 RCL 27	124 *
25 RCL 08	75 SIN	125 -
26 X>Y?	76 *	126 RCL 02
27 GTO 02	77 -	127 RCL 13
28 1	78 RCL 17	128 RCL 12
29 ST+ 10	79 /	129 COS
30 RCL 11	80 STO 01	130 *
31 STO IND 10	81 RCL 15	131 -
32 1	82 RCL 31	132 R-P
33 ST+ 10	83 COS	133 STO 16
34 RCL 12	84 *	134 X<>Y
35 STO IND 10	85 RCL 16	135 STO 15
36 1	86 RCL 27	136 RCL 11
37 ST+ 10	87 COS	137 RCL 15
38 RCL 13	88 *	138 -
39 STO IND 10	89 -	139 100
40 1	90 RCL 17	140 X<>Y
41 ST+ 10	91 /	141 X<=Y?
42 RCL 14	92 STO 02	142 GTO 11
43 STO IND 10	93 26	143 360
44 1	94 STO 10	144 -
45 RCL 08	95*LBL 05	145*LBL 11
46 X=Y?	96 1	146 RCL 14
47 GTO "CON"	97 ST+ 10	147 /
48 RCL 29	98 RCL IND 10	148 STO 17
49 RCL 28	99 STO 11	149 RCL 16
50 RCL 27	100 1	150 RCL 14

151 *
152 PI
153 *
154 100
155 /
156 STO 18
157 RCL 15
158 COS
159 RCL 18
160 /
161 STO 19
162 RCL 15
163 SIN
164 RCL 18
165 /
166 STO 20
167 RCL 19
168 X^{1/2}
169 ST+ 03
170 RCL 19
171 RCL 20
172 *
173 ST+ 04
174 RCL 20
175 X^{1/2}
176 ST+ 05
177 RCL 17
178 RCL 19
179 *
180 ST+ 06
181 RCL 17
182 RCL 20
183 *
184 ST+ 07
185 RTN
186+LBL "EST"
187 FIX 2
188 RCL 04
189 X^{1/2}
190 RCL 03
191 RCL 05
192 *
193 -
194 STO 20
195 X=0?
196 GTO 00
197 RCL 01
198 RCL 04
199 RCL 07
200 *

201 RCL 05
202 RCL 06
203 *
204 -
205 RCL 20
206 /
207 +
208 STO 26
209 RCL 02
210 RCL 03
211 RCL 07
212 *
213 RCL 04
214 RCL 06
215 *
216 -
217 RCL 20
218 /
219 +
220 RCL 26
221 X<>Y
222 R-P
223 STO 21
224 X<>Y
225 X>0?
226 GTO 06
227 360
228 +
229+LBL 06
230 STO 22
231 RCL 04
232 RCL 03
233 RCL 05
234 X*Y?
235 GTO 03
236 RCL 04
237 SIGN
238 45
239 *
240 GTO 04
241+LBL 03
242 -
243 /
244 2
245 *
246 ATAN
247 2
248 /
249+LBL 04
250 STO 23

251 COS
252 X^{1/2}
253 RCL 05
254 *
255 RCL 23
256 1
257 P-R
258 *
259 2
260 *
261 RCL 04
262 *
263 STO 26
264 -
265 RCL 23
266 SIN
267 X^{1/2}
268 RCL 03
269 *
270 +
271 RCL 20
272 CHS
273 /
274 STO 24
275 RCL 23
276 SIN
277 X^{1/2}
278 RCL 05
279 *
280 RCL 26
281 +
282 RCL 23
283 COS
284 X^{1/2}
285 RCL 03
286 *
287 +
288 RCL 20
289 CHS
290 /
291 STO 25
292 RCL 24
293 X<=Y?
294 GTO 01
295 STO 25
296 X<>Y
297 STO 24
298 90
299 ST+ 23
300+LBL 01

301 "BRC="
302 ARCL 22
303 AVIEW
304 STOP
305 "RMC="
306 ARCL 21
307 AVIEW
308 STOP
309 "END"
310 GTO 00
311*LBL "SIZ"
312 "SIZE"
313 PROMPT
314 STO 11
315 X+2
316 2
317 /
318 CHS
319 E+X
320 1
321 X<Y
322 -
323 STO 00
324 "PRB="
325 ARCL 00
326 AVIEW
327 STOP
328 GTO 09
329*LBL "PRB"
330 "PRB?"
331 PROMPT
332 CHS
333 1
334 +
335 LN
336 2
337 *
338 CHS
339 SORT
340 STO 11
341 "SIZE="
342 ARCL 11
343 AVIEW
344 STOP
345*LBL 09
346 RCL 23
347 STO 12
348 RCL 11
349 RCL 25
350 SORT

351 *
352 RCL 11
353 RCL 24
354 SORT
355 *
356 X<Y
357 "SNJ="
358 ARCL X
359 AVIEW
360 STOP
361 RCL 23
362 X>0?
363 GTO 10
364 100
365 +
366*LBL 10
367 "BRC="
368 ARCL X
369 AVIEW
370 STOP
371 "SMI="
372 RDN
373 ARCL Y
374 AVIEW
375 STOP
376 PI
377 *
378 *
379 "A="
380 ARCL X
381*LBL 00
382 AVIEW
383 STOP
384 "END"
385 GTO 00
386*LBL 00
387 AVIEW
388 STOP
389 "NO SOL"
390 GTO 00
391 END

SHARP PC-1500 PROGRAM

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10:"A":CLEAR :DIM
A(7):DEGREE
15:"C":INPUT "OBS
BRG? ";P:
INPUT "STA BRG
? ";Q:INPUT "S
TA RNG? ";R:
INPUT "BRG ERR
? ";O:PAUSE "
"
20:IF I=2GOTO 50
25:I=I+1:A(I-1)=P
:A(I+1)=Q:A(I+
3)=R:A(I+5)=O:
IF I=1GOTO 15
30:X=A(4)*SIN (A(
2)-A(0)):Y=A(5
)*SIN (A(3)-A(
1)):Z=SIN (A(1
)-A(0)):IF Z=0
GOTO 150
35:U=(X*SIN A(1)-
Y*SIN A(0))/Z:
U=(X*COS A(1)-
Y*COS A(0))/Z
40:FOR M=0TO 1
45:P=A(M):Q=A(M+2
):R=A(M+4):O=A
(M+6):GOSUB 17
0:NEXT M:GOTO
15
50:GOSUB 170:GOTO
15
60:"Z":PAUSE " ":
F=(B*B-A*C):IF
F=0GOTO 150
65:X=U+(B*E-C*D)/
F:Y=U+(A*E-B*D
)/F:GOSUB 200
70:T=SGN B*45:IF
A=C:GOTO 80
75:T=.5*ATN (2*B/
(A-C))
80:G=(C*COS T*COS
T-2*B*COS T*
SIN T+A*SIN T*
SIN T)/-F:G=JG
85:H=(C*SIN T*SIN
T+2*B*COS T*
SIN T+A*COS T*
COS T)/-F:H=JH
:IF H>=GGOTO 9
5
90:Z=H:H=G:G=Z:T=
T+90
95:PRINT "BRG=";J
:PRINT "RNG=";
K:GOTO 145
100:"H":PRINT " TP
E=A EST=Z SIZ=
S PRB=X"
105:PRINT "CON=C":
GOTO 100
120:"S":INPUT "SIZ
E? ";S:O=1-EXP
(-S*S/2)
125:PRINT USING "#
#.##";"PRB=";O
:USING :GOTO 1
35
130:"X":INPUT "PRB
? ";O:S=J(-2*
LN (1-O)):
PRINT "SIZE=";
S
135:X=S*G:Y=S*H:N=
T:PRINT "SMJ="
;Y:IF N<0LET N
=N+180
140:PRINT "DIR=";N
:PRINT "SMI=";
X:PRINT "A=";PI
**X*Y
145:PRINT "END":
GOTO 145
150:PRINT "NO SOL"
:GOTO 150
170:X=U-R*SIN Q:Y=
U-R*COS Q:
GOSUB 200
175:W=(P-J):L=K*O*
PI/180:G=COS J/
L:H=SIN J/L:IF
W>=180LET W=W-
360:GOTO 185
180:IF W<=-180LET
W=W+360
185:W=W/O:A=G*G+A:
B=G*H+B:C=H*H+
C:D=W*G+D:E=W*
H+E:RETURN
200:K=J(X*X+Y*Y):
IF K=0LET J=0:
RETURN
205:J=ACS (Y/K):IF
ASN (X/K)<0LET
J=360-J
210:RETURN

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SHARP PC-1211 PROGRAM

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10: "A": CLEAR :
    DEGREE
15: "C": INPUT "0
    BS BRG? "IP:
    INPUT "STA B
    RG? "IQ:
    INPUT "STA R
    NG? "IR:
    INPUT "BRG E
    RR? "IO: IF I
    =2GOTO 130
75: I=I+1: A(I+26
    )=P: A(I+28)=
    Q: A(I+30)=R:
    A(I+32)=0: IF
    I=1GOTO 15
85: X=A(31)*SIN
    (A(29)-A(27)
    ): Y=A(32)*
    SIN (A(30)-A
    (28)): Z=SIN
    (A(28)-A(27)
    )
90: IF Z=0GOTO 3
    25
95: U=(X*SIN A(2
    8)-Y*SIN A(2
    7))/Z: V=(X*
    COS A(28)-Y*
    COS A(27))/Z
105: FOR I=1TO 2:
    P=A(I+26): Q=
    A(I+28): R=A(
    I+30): O=A(I+
    32): GOSUB 40
    0
110: NEXT I: GOTO
    15
130: GOSUB 400
135: GOTO 15
140: "Z": F=(B+B-A
    +C): IF F=0
    GOTO 325
150: X=U+(B+E-C*D
    )/F: Y=V+(A+E
    -B*D)/F:
    GOSUB 500
160: T=SGN B*45:
    IF A=C THEN 1
    70
165: T=.5*ATN (2*
    B/(A-C))
170: G=C*COS T*
    COS T-2*B*
    COS T*SIN T+
    A*SIN T*SIN
    T)/-F: G=JG
175: H=(C*SIN T*
    SIN T+2*B*
    COS T*SIN T+
    A*COS T*COS
    T)/-F: H=JH:
    IF H>=GGOTO
    185
180: Z=H: H=G: G=Z:
    T=T+90
185: PRINT "BRG="
    I: J: PRINT "RN
    G=": K: GOTO 3
    20
200: "H": PRINT "T
    PE=A EST=Z S
    IZ=S PRB=X"
205: PRINT "CON=C
    ": GOTO 200
225: "S": INPUT "S
    IZE? "IS: O=1
    -EXP (-S*S/2
    )
230: PRINT USING
    "##.##": "PRB
    =" : O: USING :
    GOTO 300
235: "X": INPUT "P
    RB? "IO: S=J(
    -2*LN (1-O))
    : PRINT "SIZE
    =" : IS
300: X=S*G: Y=S*H:
    N=T: PRINT "S
    MJ=" : I: IF N
    <=OLET N=N+1
    80
315: PRINT "DRC="
    IN: PRINT "SM
    I=" : X: Z=PI*X*
    Y: PRINT "A="
    IZ
320: PRINT "END":
    GOTO 320
325: PRINT "NO SO
    L": GOTO 325
400: X=U-R*SIN Q:
    Y=V-R*COS Q:
    GOSUB 500: W=
    (P-J): L=K*O*
    PI/180: G=COS
    J/L: H=SIN J/
    L
415: IF W>=180LET
    W=W-360: GOTO
    440
425: IF W<=-180
    LET W=W+360
440: W=W/O: A=G*G+
    A: B=G*H+B: C=
    H*H+C: D=W*G+
    D: E=W*H+E:
    RETURN
500: K=J(X*X+Y*Y)
    : IF K=OLET J
    =0: RETURN
510: M=ASN (X/K):
    J=ACS (Y/K):
    IF M<OLET J=
    360-J
515: RETURN

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CASIO FX-702P PROGRAM

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5  INP "OPTION",J:
   SET F2:MODE 4
10 IF J=0 THEN 175
15 IF J=2 THEN 100
20 IF J=3 THEN 145
25 IF J=4 THEN 150
30 IF J=5 THEN 45
40 VAC :SET F2
45  INP "OBS BRG",P
   :INP "STA BRG",
   Q:INP "STA RNG"
   ,R
50  INP "BRG ERR",O
   :IF I=2 THEN 95
55  I=I+1:A(I-1)=P:
   A(I+1)=Q:A(I+3)
   =R:A(I+5)=O
60 IF I=1 THEN 45
65  X=A(4)*SIN (A(2
   )-A(0)):Y=A(5)*
   SIN (A(3)-A(1))
70  Z=SIN (A(1)-A(0
   )):IF Z=0 THEN
   170
75  U=(X*SIN A(1)-Y
   *SIN A(0))/Z:V=
   (X*COS A(1)-Y*C
   OS A(0))/Z
80  FOR M=0 TO 1:P=
   A(M):Q=A(M+2)
85  R=A(M+4):O=A(M+
   6):GSB 200:NEXT
   M:GOTO 45
90  R=A(M+4):O=A(M+
   6):GSB 200:NEXT
   M:GOTO 45
95  GSB 200:GOTO 45
100 F=(B*B-A*C):IF
   F=0 THEN 170
105 X=U+(B+E-C*O)/F
   :Y=V+(A+E-B*O)/
   F:RPC Y,X
110 T=SGN B*45:IF A
   =C THEN 120
115 T=.5*ATN (2*B/(
   A-C))
120 G=(C*COS T*COS
   T-2*B*COS T*SIN
   T)+A*SIN T*SIN
   T)/-F
125 H=(C*SIN T*SIN
   T+2*B*COS T*SIN
   T)+A*COS T*COS
   T)/-F
130 G=SQR G:H=SQR H
   :IF G>H:Z=H:H=G
   :G=Z:T=T+90
135 IF Y<0:Y=Y+360
140 PRT "BRG=";Y:PR
   T "RNG=";X:GOTO
   165
145  INP "SIZE",S:O=
   1-EXP (-S*S/2):
   PRT "PRB=";O:GO
   TO 155
150  INP "PRB",O:S=S
   OR (-2*LN (1-O)
   ):PRT "SIZE=";S
155  X=S*G:Y=S*H:PRT
   "SNJ=";Y:M=T:I
   F M<0:M=M+100
160 PRT "DIR=";M:PR
   T "SMI=";X:PRT
   "A=";X*X+Y
   Y
165 PRT "END":GOTO
   165
170 PRT "NO SOL":GO
   TO 170
175 PRT "TPE=1 EST=
   2 SIZ=3"
180 PRT "PRB=4 CON=
   5":GOTO 175
200 X=U-R*SIN Q:Y=Y
   -R*COS Q:RPC Y,
   X
205 W=(P-Y):L=X*O*x
   /100:G=COS Y/L:
   H=SIN Y/L
210 IF W>100:W=W-36
   0:GOTO 220
215 IF W<-100:W=W+3
   60
220 W=W/O:A=G*G+A:B
   =G*H+B:C=H*H+C:
   D=W*G+D:E=W*H+E
   :RET

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000	47	CMS	050	10	E'	100	42	STD
001	60	DEG	051	18	C'	101	38	38
002	02	2	052	87	IFF	102	43	RCL
003	42	STD	053	03	03	103	14	14
004	09	09	054	01	01	104	39	CDS
005	69	DP	055	28	28	105	65	x
006	28	28	056	19	D'	106	43	RCL
007	76	LBL	057	75	-	107	18	18
008	16	A'	058	19	D'	108	75	-
009	09	9	059	95	=	109	43	RCL
010	42	STD	060	94	+/-	110	10	10
011	00	00	061	38	SIN	111	39	CDS
012	42	STD	062	65	x	112	65	x
013	01	01	063	19	D'	113	43	RCL
014	92	RTN	064	95	=	114	19	19
015	76	LBL	065	48	EXC	115	95	=
016	18	C'	066	19	19	116	55	+
017	69	DP	067	22	INV	117	43	RCL
018	20	20	068	97	DSZ	118	20	20
019	72	ST*	069	09	09	119	38	SIN
020	00	00	070	00	00	120	95	=
021	92	RTN	071	76	76	121	42	STD
022	76	LBL	072	01	1	122	39	39
023	19	D'	073	69	DP	123	86	STF
024	69	DP	074	21	21	124	03	03
025	21	21	075	92	RTN	125	02	2
026	73	RC*	076	42	STD	126	42	STD
027	01	01	077	18	18	127	09	09
028	92	RTN	078	65	x	128	16	A'
029	76	LBL	079	43	RCL	129	19	D'
030	10	E'	080	14	14	130	10	E'
031	65	x	081	42	STD	131	42	STD
032	89	π	082	20	20	132	18	18
033	55	+	083	38	SIN	133	19	D'
034	01	1	084	75	-	134	32	X:T
035	08	8	085	43	RCL	135	19	D'
036	00	0	086	10	10	136	32	X:T
037	95	=	087	22	INV	137	37	F/R
038	92	RTN	088	44	SUM	138	75	-
039	76	LBL	089	20	20	139	43	RCL
040	11	A	090	38	SIN	140	38	38
041	81	RST	091	65	x	141	95	=
042	76	LBL	092	43	RCL	142	94	+/-
043	12	B	093	19	19	143	32	X:T
044	18	C'	094	95	=	144	75	-
045	91	R/S	095	55	+	145	43	RCL
046	18	C'	096	43	RCL	146	39	39
047	91	R/S	097	20	20	147	95	=
048	18	C'	098	38	SIN	148	94	+/-
049	91	R/S	099	95	=	149	32	X:T

150 22 INV
 151 37 P/R
 152 42 STD
 153 19 19
 154 10 E'
 155 75 -
 156 43 RCL
 157 18 18
 158 95 =
 159 94 +/-
 160 32 X:T
 161 69 DP
 162 21 21
 163 64 PD*
 164 01 01
 165 42 STD
 166 18 18
 167 89 π
 168 32 X:T
 169 22 INV
 170 77 GE
 171 01 01
 172 78 78
 173 75 -
 174 32 X:T
 175 65 x
 176 02 2
 177 95 =
 178 49 PRD
 179 18 18
 180 73 RC*
 181 01 01
 182 35 1/X
 183 42 STD
 184 27 27
 185 42 STD
 186 26 26
 187 32 X:T
 188 43 RCL
 189 19 19
 190 37 P/R
 191 42 STD
 192 28 28
 193 49 PRD
 194 27 27
 195 33 X²
 196 44 SUM
 197 23 23
 198 43 RCL
 199 18 18

200 49 PRD
 201 26 26
 202 49 PRD
 203 27 27
 204 32 X:T
 205 49 PRD
 206 28 28
 207 49 PRD
 208 26 26
 209 33 X²
 210 44 SUM
 211 21 21
 212 43 RCL
 213 28 28
 214 44 SUM
 215 22 22
 216 43 RCL
 217 26 26
 218 44 SUM
 219 24 24
 220 43 RCL
 221 27 27
 222 44 SUM
 223 25 25
 224 22 INV
 225 97 DSZ
 226 09 09
 227 02 02
 228 32 32
 229 61 GTD
 230 01 01
 231 29 29
 232 69 DP
 233 28 28
 234 43 RCL
 235 08 08
 236 92 RTN
 237 76 LBL
 238 13 C
 239 43 RCL
 240 21 21
 241 42 STD
 242 41 41
 243 43 RCL
 244 22 22
 245 42 STD
 246 42 42
 247 43 RCL
 248 23 23
 249 42 STD

250 43 43
 251 42 STD
 252 10 10
 253 65 x
 254 43 RCL
 255 21 21
 256 22 INV
 257 44 SUM
 258 10 10
 259 75 -
 260 43 RCL
 261 22 22
 262 22 INV
 263 49 PRD
 264 10 10
 265 33 X²
 266 95 =
 267 35 1/X
 268 49 PRD
 269 41 41
 270 49 PRD
 271 42 42
 272 49 PRD
 273 43 43
 274 02 2
 275 55 +
 276 43 RCL
 277 10 10
 278 95 =
 279 24 CE
 280 22 INV
 281 30 TAN
 282 55 +
 283 02 2
 284 95 =
 285 42 STD
 286 29 29
 287 43 RCL
 288 43 43
 289 65 x
 290 43 RCL
 291 24 24
 292 75 -
 293 43 RCL
 294 42 42
 295 65 x
 296 43 RCL
 297 25 25
 298 85 +
 299 43 RCL

300	38	38
301	95	=
302	32	X:T
303	43	RCL
304	42	42
305	65	*
306	43	RCL
307	24	24
308	75	-
309	43	RCL
310	41	41
311	65	*
312	43	RCL
313	25	25
314	85	+
315	43	RCL
316	39	39
317	95	=
318	32	X:T
319	22	INV
320	37	P/R
321	42	STD
322	32	32
323	01	1
324	32	X:T
325	42	STD
326	33	33
327	43	RCL
328	29	29
329	37	P/R
330	42	STD
331	11	11
332	33	X ²
333	42	STD
334	12	12
335	42	STD
336	13	13
337	32	X:T
338	49	PRD
339	11	11
340	33	X ²
341	42	STD
342	14	14
343	42	STD
344	15	15
345	43	RCL
346	41	41
347	49	PRD
348	12	12
349	49	PRD

350	14	14
351	43	RCL
352	42	42
353	65	*
354	02	2
355	95	=
356	49	PRD
357	11	11
358	43	RCL
359	43	43
360	49	PRD
361	13	13
362	49	PRD
363	15	15
364	43	RCL
365	15	15
366	85	+
367	43	RCL
368	11	11
369	85	+
370	43	RCL
371	12	12
372	95	=
373	34	FX
374	42	STD
375	16	16
376	43	RCL
377	13	13
378	75	-
379	43	RCL
380	11	11
381	85	+
382	43	RCL
383	14	14
384	95	=
385	34	FX
386	42	STD
387	17	17
388	43	RCL
389	32	32
390	91	R/S
391	43	RCL
392	33	33
393	92	RTN
394	61	GTO
395	03	03
396	93	93
397	76	LBL
398	15	E
399	75	-

400	01	1
401	95	=
402	94	+/-
403	23	LN ^x
404	65	*
405	02	2
406	95	=
407	94	+/-
408	34	FX
409	91	R/S
410	42	STD
411	15	15
412	65	*
413	43	RCL
414	16	16
415	95	=
416	42	STD
417	18	18
418	32	X:T
419	43	RCL
420	29	29
421	94	+/-
422	42	STD
423	30	30
424	43	RCL
425	15	15
426	65	*
427	43	RCL
428	17	17
429	95	=
430	77	GE
431	04	04
432	41	41
433	48	EXC
434	18	18
435	32	X:T
436	09	9
437	00	0
438	44	SUM
439	30	30
440	32	X:T
441	91	R/S
442	32	X:T
443	43	RCL
444	30	30
445	91	R/S
446	43	RCL
447	18	18
448	91	R/S
449	65	*

450	32	X:T
451	65	X
452	89	π
453	95	=
454	92	RTN
455	61	GTO
456	04	04
457	54	54
458	76	LBL
459	14	D
460	33	X ²
461	55	\div
462	32	X:T
463	02	2
464	95	=
465	94	+/-
466	22	INV
467	23	LN _X
468	75	-
469	01	1
470	95	=
471	94	+/-
472	91	R/S
473	32	X:T
474	34	Γ X
475	61	GTO
476	04	04
477	10	10
478	00	0
479	00	0

Appendix 1. The Estimation Procedure

In this development the assumptions stated in Section I are required conditions. A rectangular coordinate system is used with the positive y-axis directed north, the positive x-axis directed east and the origin at the reference point and all angles are in radians. Figure 3 shows a station located with respect to the coordinate system. The bearing line of length r goes to the object's unknown position, the bearing line of length r goes to an initial estimate of the object's position and the third bearing line corresponds to an observed bearing.

To determine the coordinates for a final estimate, consider the arc segments $u = r(\theta - \phi)$ where $\theta - \phi$ is the bearing error and $v = r(\phi - \beta)$ and $w = r(\theta - \beta)$ that are defined by the three bearing lines and the circle of radius r that is centered on the station and goes through the initial estimate. The geometry is shown in Figure 3. Note that u can be defined by $u = w - v$. In this expression, $w = r(\theta - \beta)$ is known, and v can be determined in terms of x and y the unknown coordinates of the target. With the reference point at the initial estimate, to first order, $v = x \cos \beta - y \sin \beta$ and $u = w - x \cos \beta + y \sin \beta$. Since this approximation applies to all stations, its use suggests that, for each station, $r \approx r$ which is equivalent to having the initial estimate relatively close to the target's position.

Since, for each station i , an observed bearing θ_i is the value of a normal random variable θ_i with mean ϕ_i , the coordinate $u_i = r_i(\theta_i - \phi_i)$ is the value of a normal random variable U_i with mean zero. In addition, since the θ_i are independent, the U_i are

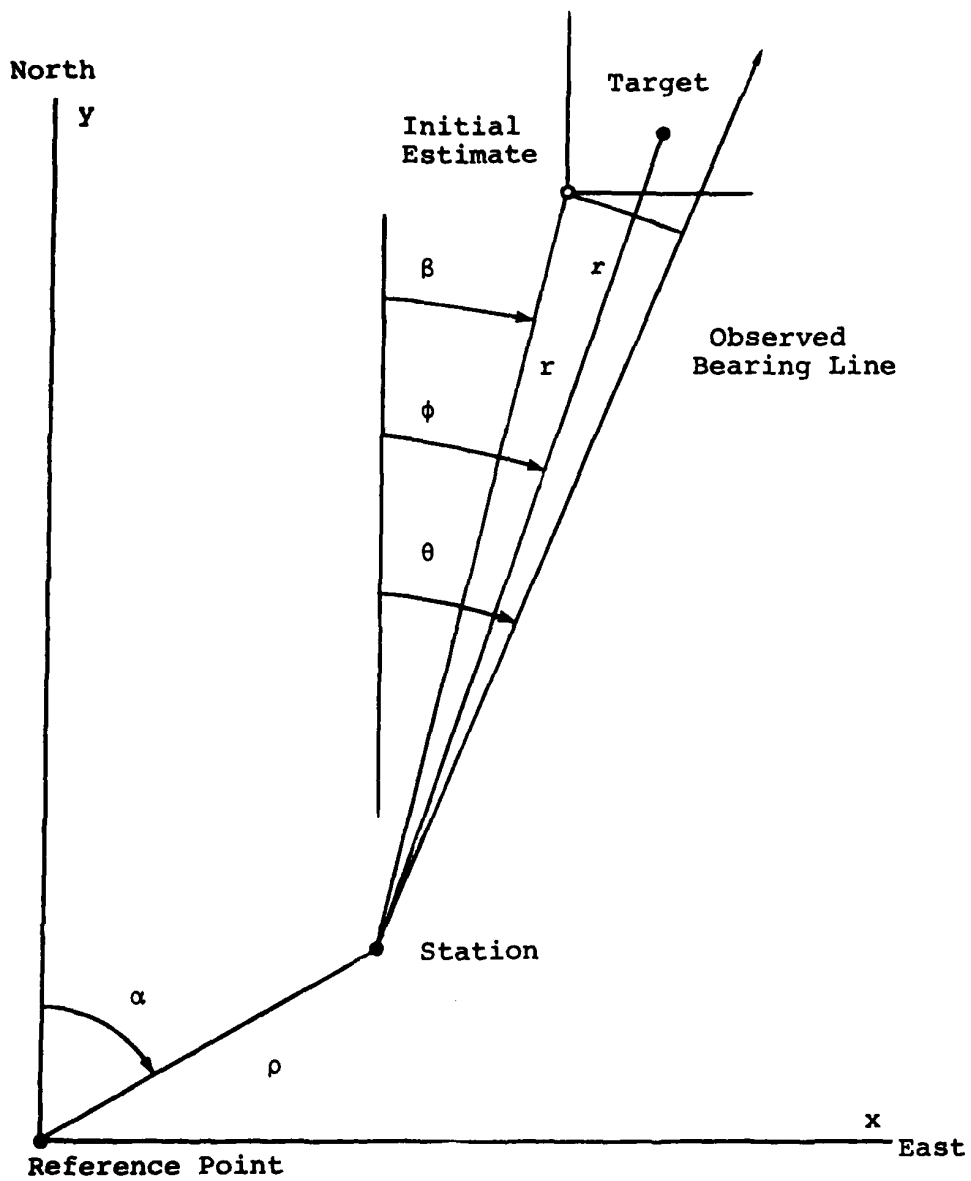


Figure 3. The coordinate geometry. The coordinates of the initial estimate are (x^*, y^*) . In the development, the reference point is at the initial estimate.

also independent. And, consequently, the joint distribution of the U_i is determined.

To estimate x and y , maximum likelihood estimates are used here. The likelihood for a sample $\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_n$ from n stations is

$$L(\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} e_i} \exp - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (\theta_i - \phi_i)^2 / e_i^2$$

and the likelihood for a corresponding sample u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n is

$$L(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma_i} \exp - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n u_i^2 / \sigma_i^2$$

with $\sigma_i = r_i e_i$ where e_i is the standard deviation of θ_i .

By definition, the maximum likelihood estimates for x and y are the estimates which make $L(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$ a maximum. In this case, making $L(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$ a maximum is equivalent to making $\sum_{i=1}^n (u_i^2 / \sigma_i^2)$ a minimum. So, to find the maximum likelihood estimates \hat{x} and \hat{y} , solve the following two equations for \hat{x} and \hat{y} :

$$\left. \frac{\partial(\ln L)}{\partial x} \right|_{x=\hat{x}} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \left. \frac{\partial(\ln L)}{\partial y} \right|_{y=\hat{y}} = 0$$

With $u_i = w_i - x \cos \beta_i + y \sin \beta_i$, the equations can be written as follows:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (w_i - \hat{x} \cos \beta_i + \hat{y} \sin \beta_i) (\cos \beta_i) / \sigma_i^2 = 0$$

and

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (w_i - \hat{x} \cos \beta_i + \hat{y} \sin \beta_i) (\sin \beta_i) / \sigma_i^2 = 0 .$$

In terms of the following quantities:

$$A = \Sigma(\cos^2 \beta_i) / \sigma_i^2 ,$$

$$B = \Sigma(\sin \beta_i \cos \beta_i) / \sigma_i^2 ,$$

$$C = \Sigma(\sin^2 \beta_i) / \sigma_i^2 ,$$

$$D = \Sigma(w_i \cos \beta_i) / \sigma_i^2 ,$$

$$E = \Sigma(w_i \sin \beta_i) / \sigma_i^2 ,$$

the equations become:

$$A\hat{x} - B\hat{y} = D$$

$$B\hat{x} - C\hat{y} = E$$

The solutions are:

$$(1) \quad \hat{x} = (BE - CD) / (B^2 - AC)$$

and

$$(2) \quad \hat{y} = (AE - BD) / (B^2 - AC)$$

A confidence region can be constructed about an estimated position. In order to indicate how this can be done, a probability region about the true position will be considered first.

Both \hat{x} and \hat{y} are values of random variables. If a new set of bearings $\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_n$ is observed (for the same initial estimate and a fixed target), in general, a new pair of values \hat{x} and \hat{y} will be obtained.

If \hat{X} and \hat{Y} represent these random variables,

$$\hat{X} = \frac{1}{(B^2 - AC)} \sum_1^n (W_i / \sigma_i^2) (B \sin \beta_i - C \cos \beta_i)$$

$$\hat{Y} = \frac{1}{(B^2 - AC)} \sum_1^n (W_i / \sigma_i^2) (A \sin \beta_i - B \cos \beta_i)$$

where $W_i = r_i(\theta_i - \beta_i)$.

Since \hat{X} and \hat{Y} are a linear combination of the n normal random variables W_1, W_2, \dots, W_n , or equivalently of the n normal random variables $\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_n$, they have a joint normal distribution. Since $E(W_i) = r_i(\phi_i - \beta_i)$, if $\beta_i = \phi_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, that is, if the initial estimate of the target's position is at the target's position, $E(W_i) = 0$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. In this case $E(\hat{X}) = 0$ and $E(\hat{Y}) = 0$ and the joint normal distribution is centered on the object's position. To the degree of the approximations that have been made, this is also true if the initial estimate is not at the target's position.

A region of minimum area for a given probability of containment of an estimated position can be determined. The region is bounded by an ellipse which is centered on the object's position and whose axes lie along the axes of an $x'y'$ -coordinate system that is obtained by rotating the xy -coordinate system that is centered on the object's position through an angle γ . In this system, $\sigma_{\hat{x}, \hat{y}}$ is 0, that is \hat{x}' and \hat{y}' are independent normal random variables. The two coordinate systems are illustrated in

Figure 4. The coordinates of a point in the two systems are related by

$$x' = x \cos \gamma - y \sin \gamma$$

$$y' = x \sin \gamma + y \cos \gamma$$

These relations imply:

$$(3) \quad \sigma_{x'}^2 = \sigma_x^2 \cos^2 \gamma - 2\sigma_{\hat{x}\hat{y}} \cos \gamma \sin \gamma + \sigma_y^2 \sin^2 \gamma,$$

$$(4) \quad \sigma_{y'}^2 = \sigma_x^2 \sin^2 \gamma + 2\sigma_{\hat{x}\hat{y}} \cos \gamma \sin \gamma + \sigma_y^2 \cos^2 \gamma$$

and

$$(5) \quad \sigma_{\hat{x}'\hat{y}'}^2 = (\sigma_x^2 - \sigma_y^2) \sin \gamma \cos \gamma + \sigma_{\hat{x}\hat{y}} (\cos^2 \gamma - \sin^2 \gamma)$$

where γ , the angle of rotation of the coordinate axes, is positive in the clockwise direction. And $\sigma_{\hat{x},\hat{y}} = 0$ implies

$$\tan 2\gamma = \frac{2\sigma_{\hat{x}\hat{y}}}{\sigma_{\hat{y}}^2 - \sigma_{\hat{x}}^2}$$

With the initial estimate of the target's position at the target's position $E(W_i) = 0$ and therefore, $\text{Var}(W_i) = \sigma_i^2$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. In this case

$$\sigma_x^2 = \frac{1}{(B^2 - AC)^2} \sum_1^n (1/\sigma_i^2) (B \sin \beta_i - C \cos \beta_i)^2,$$

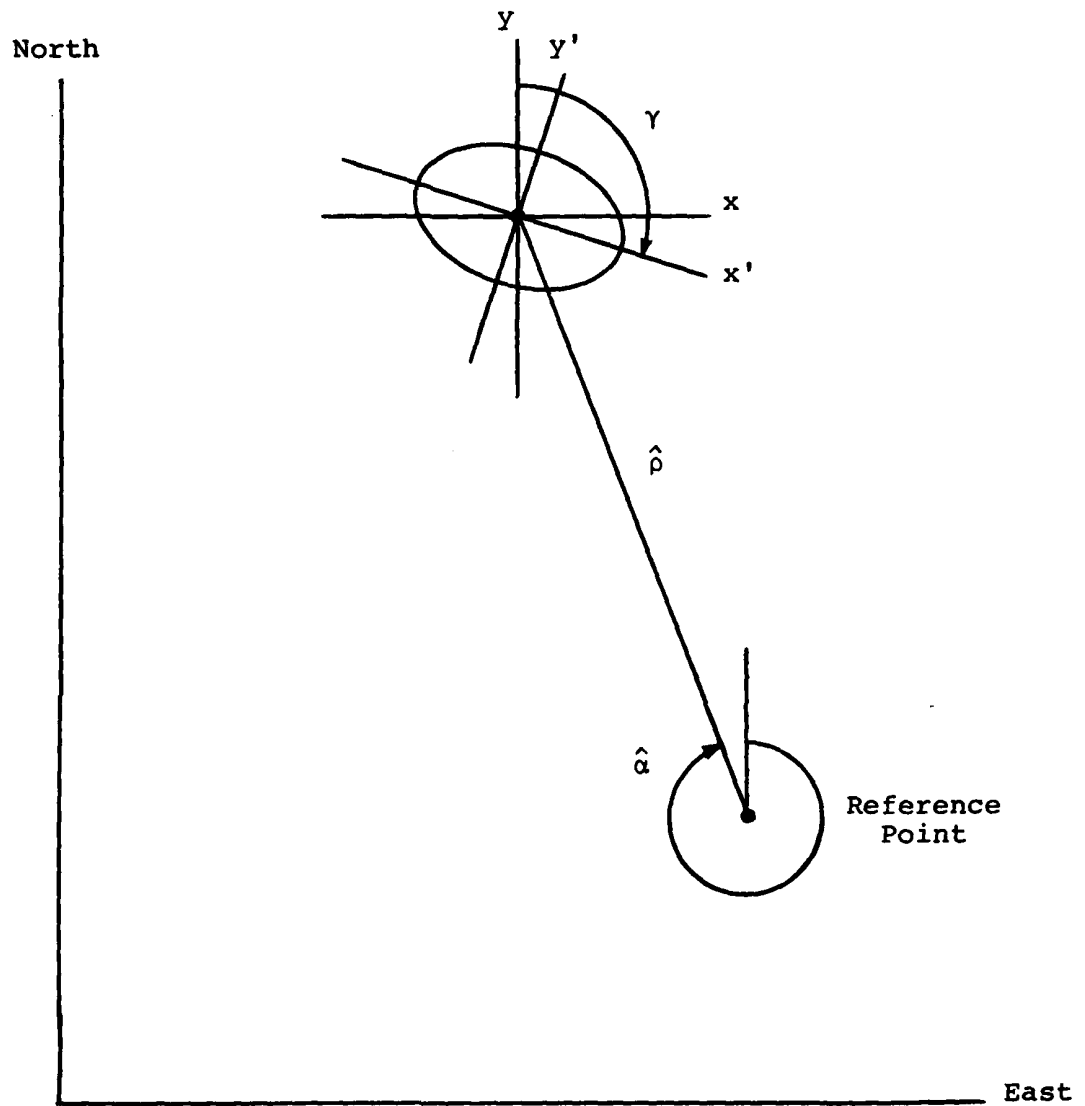


Figure 4. An elliptical confidence region and the primed coordinate system in which the covariance $\sigma_{\hat{x}, \hat{y}}$ is zero. The center of the ellipse and the origin of the coordinate systems are at the target's estimated position. The estimated bearing $\hat{\alpha}$ and estimated range $\hat{\rho}$ are indicated for a reference position.

$$\sigma_{\hat{y}}^2 = \frac{1}{(B^2-AC)^2} \sum_1^n (1/\sigma_i^2) (A \sin \beta_i - B \cos \beta_i)^2$$

and

$$\sigma_{\hat{x}\hat{y}} = \frac{1}{(B^2-AC)} \sum_1^n (1/\sigma_i^2) (B \sin \beta_i - C \cos \beta_i) (A \sin \beta_i - B \cos \beta_i).$$

Using the definition for A, B and C, the above become

$$(6) \quad \sigma_{\hat{x}}^2 = \frac{C}{(AC-B^2)},$$

$$(7) \quad \sigma_{\hat{y}}^2 = \frac{A}{(AC-B^2)},$$

and

$$(8) \quad \sigma_{\hat{x}\hat{y}} = \frac{B}{(AC-B^2)}.$$

So $\tan 2\gamma = 2B/(A-C)$ for $\beta_i = \phi_i$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

With the target's position known and, consequently, ϕ_i known for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, the above expressions for $\sigma_{\hat{x}}^2$, $\sigma_{\hat{y}}^2$, $\sigma_{\hat{x}\hat{y}}$ and γ can be used, since the initial estimate of the target's position can be taken as the target's position.

With values for $\sigma_{\hat{x}}$, $\sigma_{\hat{y}}$, $\sigma_{\hat{x}\hat{y}}$ and γ , values for $\sigma_{\hat{x}}$, and $\sigma_{\hat{y}}$, can be found by using equations (3) and (4). The probability that an estimated position will be within an ellipse of semiaxes $k\sigma_{\hat{x}}$, and $k\sigma_{\hat{y}}$, which is centered on the target's position is

$1 - \exp(-k^2/2)$. This result can be found by integrating the bivariate normal density over the ellipse. And the area of the ellipse is $k^2 \sigma_{\hat{x}} \sigma_{\hat{y}}$.

Given estimates \hat{x} and \hat{y} found by using Equations (1) and (2), the ellipse with semi-axes $k\sigma_{\hat{x}}$, and $k\sigma_{\hat{y}}$, in a coordinate system that is centered on the point (\hat{x}, \hat{y}) and has been rotated through an angle γ is a $1 - \exp(-k^2/2)$ confidence region. This follows, since, to the degree of the approximations involved, the bivariate normal distribution of X and Y is centered on the target's position. The confidence ellipse is defined if $\sigma_{\hat{x}}^2$, $\sigma_{\hat{y}}^2$ and $\sigma_{\hat{x}\hat{y}}$ can be found, that is if the elements of the covariance matrix can be found. To the degree of the approximations involved, this can be done as follows: First, assume the initial estimate of the target's position is at the target's position. Then, values for $\sigma_{\hat{x}}^2$, $\sigma_{\hat{y}}^2$, $\sigma_{\hat{x}\hat{y}}$ and γ can be determined by using Equations (6), (7) and (8). These values can then be used to determine $\sigma_{\hat{x}}^2$, $\sigma_{\hat{y}}^2$, and $\sigma_{\hat{x}\hat{y}}$, by using Equations (3), (4) and (5). Now, with a value for k , a confidence region can be constructed. To the degree of the approximations involved, the shape of the confidence region is independent of both the target's position and of the initial estimate of the target's position.

For the case where bearings are taken from the target on two or more stations, θ_i is the reciprocal of the bearing taken from the target.

A discussion of the theory of bearings only position estimation procedures for situations similar to the one considered here is given in Reference 1. Reference 2 gives an essentially

equivalent bearings only procedure. It also gives a range only procedure, a range and bearing procedure and HP-9830A programs with which to implement the procedures. Using the fix determined by two lines of bearing as the initial estimate was suggested by this reference.

The following equations are evaluated in the program to determine the coordinates of the initial estimate:

$$\begin{aligned}x^* \sin (\theta_2 - \theta_1) &= [\rho_1 \sin (\alpha_1 - \theta_1)] \sin \theta_2 \\ &- [\rho_2 \sin (\alpha_2 - \theta_2)] \sin \theta_1\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}y^* \sin (\theta_2 - \theta_1) &= [\rho_1 \sin (\alpha_1 - \theta_1)] \cos \theta_2 \\ &- [\rho_2 \sin (\alpha_2 - \theta_2)] \cos \theta_1 .\end{aligned}$$

Reference 3 describes a TI-59 program that is based on an equivalent procedure. The program allows a user to either input the coordinates of the initial estimate or determine them in the manner described here.

Appendix 2. HP-41CV Program Labels

The global labels in the HP-41CV program that are assigned to the keys $\Sigma+$, $1/x$, \sqrt{x} , LOG and LN give these keys a mnemonic character. For example, with the calculator in USER mode, if LOG is pressed and held, SIZ will be displayed and then after a delay, NULL.

If a global label is replaced by a local label, this mnemonic character will be lost. However, automatic key assignment will be gained if the key corresponding to the local label has not been previously assigned. If this is the case and if there is a second program in program memory that uses the same local label, then it will be automatically assigned when the calculator is positioned in program memory at that program.

Global labels in the HP-41CV program can be replaced with local labels. If this is done as described below, the user instructions will still be applicable. First, make the following replacements:

Line 329: LBL "PRB" \rightarrow LBL E. Line 311: LBL "SIZ" \rightarrow LBL D.
Line 186: LBL "EST" \rightarrow LBL B. Line 008: LBL "CON" \rightarrow LBL C.
Line 047: GTO "CON" \rightarrow GTO C.

Next, after line 001: LBL "TPE", insert LBL A so that it becomes line 002. Finally, if there is a key assignment for a key in the following list: $\Sigma+$, $1/x$, \sqrt{x} , LOG and LN, remove it. Now, with the calculator in USER mode, if LOG is pressed and held, XEQ D will be displayed and then, after a delay, NULL. The key's mnemonic character has been lost, but if there is a second program in program memory with the local label D, LOG will be automatically assigned to D when the calculator is positioned in program memory at that program.

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