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INTRODUCTION

Topographic map is an important prerequisite for Agricultural Engineers as their sphere of activities include soil and water conservation, design and execution of irrigation systems, drainage network, location decisions of farm infrastructures, local and regional agricultural planning among other things. Areas of the land parcel, relative elevation, nature of the terrain and land use are the important information that a topographic map generally will provide. Among the various applications of topographic maps in Agricultural Engineering, soil and water conservation may be the most important item. When the area involved is large, planning of water harvesting, erosion control etc. will be made on a map and later on those will be transferred to the field.

Soil, the weathered portion of earth crust, is one of the most important natural resources that support all forms of life on earth. Conservation of this resource assumes great significance as it is very much prone to various types of soil erosion processes such as wind and water erosion. Soil erosion is defined as the detachment, transportation and deposition of soil particles from one region to another under the influence of erosive agents. According to estimates by ICAR, the loss due to water erosion is 53.34 million ha annually. The erosion status of the state reveals that 83500 ha is severely eroded, 973245 ha is moderately eroded, 1064879 ha is moderately to slightly eroded, 307708 ha is slightly eroded and 620965 ha is under permanent vegetation and is well protected. Soil erosion process is influenced by a number of factors. Land slope and climate are the two important factors governing the rate of soil erosion. In a humid climate with undulating terrain, any agricultural activity should be preceded by soil erosion control measures. Susceptibility of soil erosion depends upon the nature of the soil and the topographic factors. To plan soil erosion control measures, estimating the erosion potential of different land parcels are very essential. A topographic map of the area is the primary pre-requisite of soil erosion studies and for planning any other agricultural infrastructures.

A topographic survey is the means of producing a topographic map. The preparation of topographic map can be done by means of theodolite, aerial photography, Total Station, GNSS etc. High accuracy, efficiency and less time requirement give more predominance and acceptance to Total Station and GNSS. Theodolite and other conventional surveying techniques are very slow and laborious and practically not feasible for a large area. Total station surveying is advancement to theodolite surveying. Many field operations such as angle and distance measuring and their field recording have been automated in Total Station surveying.

Total Station surveying is defined as the use of electronic survey equipment used to perform horizontal and vertical measurements in reference to a grid system. Total Station is a form of an electronic theodolite combined with an electronic distance measuring device (EDM). Its primary function is to measure slope distance, vertical angle, and horizontal angle from a setup point called instrument station to a foresight point. Most Total Stations use a modulated near infrared light emitting diode which sends a beam from the instrument to a prism. The prism reflects this beam back to the instrument .The portion of wavelength that leaves the instrument and returns is assessed and calculated. Distance measurements can be related to this measurement using the principle of travel of light energy through air. Angle accuracy can range from 2'' to 5". Distance accuracy can range from $+/- (0.8+1ppm* D)$ mm to $+/- (3+3ppm* D)$ mm, where D is the distance measured.

Some of the advantages of Total Station surveying are:

- Reduce error: Manual errors involved in reading and recording can be eliminated.
- Time saving: Field work is carried out very fast.
- Accuracy of measurement is high.
- Precision data.
- Calculation of coordinates is very fast and accurate. Even corrections for temperature and pressure are automatically made.
- Computers can be employed for map making and plotting contour and cross section. Contour intervals and scales can be changed at any time.

DGPS (Differential Global Positioning System) is an advanced version or the enhancement to Global positioning System or the GPS. DGPS provides better and improved location accuracy than GPS from a nominal GPS accuracy of 15 meters to that in the best implementation of about 10 cm. It increases the accuracy of the locations or the coordinates derived from the GPS receivers. The principle behind DGPS is to use the reference location of the base receiver to correct for the location error of the unknown rover position. Since the base station is fixed, we can use the difference between the measurement of the base and the rover receivers to create an error correction vector. The precise location of the rover can then be calculated if we apply the error correction over all the satellite data. DGPS can be achieved through real-time telemetry links between a base and a rover or through post-processing the data. DGPS application include topographic surveys, control establishment and densification, positions, lines and levels setting out, azimuth determination and collar pick-ups (x; y; z).

Advantages of DGPS are:

- Use of DGPS increases the accuracy $(+/-0.045m)$
- Real time data
- Worldwide coverage
- 3D survey results
- 24 hours availability

Disadvantages of DGPS are:

- Most of the errors are completely eliminated or made negligible, however atmospheric errors are RX based errors would still exist. DGPS error sources are satellite clocks, orbital error, ionosphere, troposphere, RX noise and multipath.
- The coverage area to take advantage is limited.
- To ensure greater coverage area more DGPS stations need to be added.

In this context, an attempt has been made in this project work to prepare a topographic map using Total Station and DGPS to facilitate erosion studies with given below specific objectives:

- To study the principle and operations of Total Station and GNSS
- To prepare a topographic map of KCAET campus using Total Station and DGPS
- To prepare a land slope map from topographic map for erosion studies.

REVIEW OF LITERATURE

Chapter 2

REVIEW OF LITERATURE

A critical review of some of the important research work done in the area of topographic surveying using total station, GNSS and soil erosion studies are presented in this chapter.

Colosi *et al*. (2000) carried out a series of topographical surveys in the Salto Valley (Rieti -Lazio) and provided much interesting data regarding local archaeological sites, particularly along the southern slopes of the Breccioso Hills which rise between the Corvaro and Spedino plain. The nature of the site was not clear and its structure is hazy, as a result of the deterioration of the surrounding ground and increased vegetation coverage. So a detailed survey of the southern incline and the plateau associated with the site was suggested. The objective of the survey was to highlight topographic variation and to bring to light any traces of human construction or manipulation. The survey was carried out using a DGPS Leica SR 510, and a Total Station. The integration of these two instruments produced satisfactory and innovative results. The processing of the Digital Terrain Model (DTM) of the area highlighted several characteristics of the site and the consequent production of thematic maps from this data were done.

Jeyapalan and Bhagawati (2000) conducted a study on Total Station, Differential Global Positioning System (DGPS), Videologging, soft photogrammetric and virtual reality methods of collecting data on road side features of urban, city and rural roads for creating a Geographic Information System (GIS). The first 15 highest priority road side features were: intersections, signs, pavement markings, signals, curbs, guard rail, number of lanes, rail road crossings, shoulders, side walk, road names, pavement distress, roadway geometric, bridges and Right of way. The videologging system gives the digital image and the X, Y, Z coordinates of the camera locations, using this information and soft photogrammetry it is possible to determine the location of any feature. Virtual reality is the mode in which a user can view in 3D, fly through the virtual model, modify in real time and view or measure its effect. The conclusion of the study was, Total Station can be used to collect data for creating 2D GIS showing roadside features at a scale of 1! $=25$ " or larger and or smaller. DGPS can be used for mapping at scale 1! $= 50$ " or smaller. Both systems are time consuming in the field. Soft Photogrammetry with digital videologging imagery can be used to map roadside features at $1! = 25$ " or smaller. It saves field data collection time; however, it requires calibration and stereo data collection time in the office.

Casasnovas*et al*. (2001) developed a method that can be used to quantify and map soil losses at field scale produced by extreme rainfall events. The amounts of sediment produced by overland flow and concentrated overland flow (inter-rill, rill and gully erosion)at the agricultural plot scale are evaluated from elevation differences computed from very high resolution digital elevation models (DEMs) , from data obtained before and just after an extreme rainfall event. Multitemporal spatial data are analysed by GIS techniques. A mechanised vineyard plot located in the Alt Penedes–Anoia region (Catalonia, Spain) is used as the reference for case study. According to the obtained data the rainfall event, which occurred in June 2000, registered 215 mm, 205 mm of which fell in 2 h 15 min. The average intensity of the downpour was 91.8 mm/h, with a maximum intensity in 30-min periods of up to 170 mm/h. The erosivity index R reached a value of 11,756 MJ/ha mm/h, 10 times greater than the annual value for this area. The volume of soil detached by the rainfall, as measured by the proposed method, was 82819 m^3 . About 57% of the detached soil particles were deposited with in the same plot. The balance was negative, with a total 35236 m^3 of soil loss from the plot, which represented a rate of 20721 Mg/ha. The paper analyses the characteristics of the rainfall event in relation to historical data and discusses the proposed method for soil erosion mapping at plot scales in relation to other measurement methods.

Agrawal R *et al*. (2006) have validated SRTM DEM with differential GPS measurements in this study. It deals with the accuracy assessment of the interferometric terrain evaluation data (DEM) from SRTM mission. The data was compared with reference to ground control points of differential GPS measurements at three different types of terrains (ranging from plain, moderately undulating and hilly region). Since the SRTM elevation values are orthometric height values in WGS84 datum, for the purpose comparing with DGPS co-ordinate were converted to WGS84 ellipsoidal value using EGM96 geoidal height model. The error statistics was generated between DGPS measurements and SRTM WGS84 ellipsoidal heights. It was observed that for the plain area like Ahmedabad (Gujarat) the errors were quite small (3.55m) ,whereas in the cases of moderately and hilly terrain like Alwar (Rajasthan) and Chamoli (Uttaranchal) the RMS errors were of the order of 11.44m and 19.64 m respectively. It is concluded that SRTM DEM can be used for any application depending upon the accuracy demand.

Ehioroboa and Izinyona (2006) located the position of all major rills and gully sites and georeferenced them using hand held GPS receiver. Based on severity rating and geopolitical considerations, six of the erosion gully sites were selected for monitoring. Control points were established around each of the gully sites by method of Differential GPS (DGPS) surveys and detailed topographical survey of gully sites were carried out using reflectorless Total Station instruments. In combination with GIS and Total Station data SPOT imageries were used and location maps, contour maps along with DEM were generated using ARCGIS 9.2 software. The morphological parameters of the gullies were then determined. Volumetric estimate of the amount of soil loss from gully erosion was also carried out. Soil samples recovered from the gully sites were used to determine their erosivity and other properties to be used for soil loss modelling. The results of the studies were used as an indicator for determining the gully initiation point, slopearea relationship, and threshold of gully initiation was also established. The minimum AS2 value was 345 while the maximum was 3,267. This shows that the results lie within the two boundary layers of 41 and 814 (m²) and 500-4000 m² established by Poesen et al.

JUNG Rea Jung (2006) studied the method of DGPS applications for the cadastral surveying in Korea. A DGPS beacon system was implemented at the coastal area for the marine ship navigation purpose. The study focused on suggesting the practical possibility of DGPS in the cadastral survey. For this, several field tests were conducted. It was found that the accuracy in horizontal components averages 74 cm in the readjustment of arable land and 228cm in the forest. In the forest, the rate of Differential GPS Fix of Beacon DGPS was low and HDOP (Horizontal Dilution of Precision) was high. It was also found that DGPS doesn't cover the cadastral boundary surveying, however it will be expected that possibility to play a role as a part of device for the ubiquitous cadastre, such as finding control points and boundary points, connected with PDA, RFID on the site could be obtained. And also, this study showed that DGPS will be applicable for high-precision-position-based services like LBS (Location Based Service), and ubiquitous cadastral surveying.

Rodriguez*et al*. (2006) conducted a study on comparison of GPS receiver accuracy and precision in forest environments and practical recommendations regarding methods and receiver selection. This study compares recreational GPS receivers (GARMIN eTrex Euro, GARMIN 12XL, GARMIN Summit, GARMIN Geko 201)and more precise GPS receivers (Topcon Hiper+). It was aimed to determine the most suitable method and receiver for position assessment under different forest canopy covers, in terms of easiness of use, accuracy, reliability, and the ratio accuracy/cost. Several positioning techniques were compared: autonomous, real-time differential, and postprocessed differential modes, as well as the effect of using an augmentation system. The test course consisted of 19 points sited under different tree canopies and one point without any obstacle. Test procedure was identical for all twenty points, days and receivers. GPS positioning was repeated five times at each test point using, twenty minutes before receivers were turned on.

Results showed that there were significant differences between the receivers regarding accuracy and precision measuring coordinates; moreover, accuracies were different depending on the canopy cover and forest characteristics. Therefore, practical recommendations for each case were settled in order to help foresters to select the most suitable receiver.

Filjar *et al*. (2007) studied the DGPS Positioning Accuracy for LBS (location based services).This study was based on experimental data analysis. A vehicle was equipped with two Garmin GPSIII+ receivers, one working in standard and the other in differential GPS positioning mode. Differential GPS corrections were delivered from the Prague differential station through the EUREF-IP network and using the mobile Internet GPRS connection. Additional software was developed inorder to support both the NMEA-0183 acquisition and the DGPS corrections delivery using the same serial port for GPS receiver running in differential GPS mode. Every positioning sample consists of: GPS time of sampling, Latitude, Longitude, Horizontal positioning error estimate (calculated by GPS receiver), and Number of visible satellites. The conclusion of the study was Differential GPS positioning improves the LBS positioning performance, compared with the standard (un-assisted and un-augmented) GPS positioning. However, general LBS positioning accuracy still cannot be improved in a way that would satisfy high-level requirements by deployment of differential GPS positioning alone.

Hayakawa *et al*. (2007) conducted an accuracy assessment of a post processing differential GPS device. Here they used a portable DGPS device, Mobile mapper pro by Magellan Navigation Inc. This DGPS device is capable of differential correction of GPS signals by two means; real-time SBAS (Satellite-Based Augmentation System) correction (2-3 m accuracy) and post processing correction (1m accuracy). At Kaman, the measurements were taken with a relatively short duration; 131 measurements in one day. At Hacitugrul, measurements were taken with a relatively long duration; 114 measurements over 10 days. After the field measurements, the DGPS data were imported into a PC via SD memory card, and the DGPS log data of the base and mobile devices were post processed using bundled software (mobile mapper office). It was found that 2 minutes is the minimum necessary time to enable efficient post processing differential correction for the DGPS device used. The position accuracy of SBAS based differential correction is several meters, even when the measurements are taken over a period as long as 6 hours.

Mottershead *et al*. (2007) surveyed small scale terrains on salt materials with a Total Station and a series of digital elevation models (DEMs) constructed. Eight months apart two sets of observations were made, during which the terrains underwent significant erosion. The difference in elevation shown by the DEMs is a measure of surface erosion of the salt terrains. The erosion rate was analysed with respect to four terrain parameters calculated in the software. High erosion rates, and their strong control by terrain slope, are demonstrated, supporting an earlier study using erosion pins. Indications show that slope profile curvature is also having some influence. The combination of scanning Total Station and DEM software is found to be an effective tool for investigating rapid geomorphic change at this scale of study.

Baptista *et al*. (2008) conducted a DGPS survey on beach profiles using a DGPS mounted on a vehicle and a traditional pole-mounted DGPS. A vehicle mounted DGPS provided a highly accurate non time consuming measurement campaign (easily repeated). Measurements were taken using a pole-mounted DGPS in areas where the vehicle could not reach. The area surveyed was approximately $10,000$ m². A mesh measurement regime was used since beach profiles have relatively smooth features. Profile features should be the base for profile mesh size used. The volumes of points are represented by the amount of morphological change in the survey site. Due to increased elevation variability in the site, it requires more measurement points than a smoother site. Very high resolution meshes may not significantly improve the quality of a DEM and a mesh too wide will not pick up the topographic features in a site. In this study, when different mesh sizes were analysed, the highest density mesh provided the best results.

Rayburg *et al*. (2009) assessed the quality of DEMs derived from LiDAR, DGPS and spot heights taken from a 1:100,000 topographic map. The area studied was Narran Lake Ecosystem in north western New South Wales, Australia. The DGPS survey done consisted of 20,000 points having a spatial resolution of approximately 1m along survey lines and 200m between survey lines. LiDAR survey consisted of approximately 650,000,000 data points, with a spatial resolution of $1m^2$ and a vertical accuracy of 8 - 11cm. All DEMs were created using the kriging interpolation model. The LiDAR-derived DEM represented a wide range of topographic features and the DGPS-derived DEM gave considerably less details, but in some areas they gave similar results to the LiDAR. LiDAR- and DGPS-derived DEMs differ by a minimum of 25cm and maximum of several metres in areas. DGPS-derived DEM is of varying quality as considerable fewer points were measured compared to the LiDAR survey. This limitation was mainly due to the challenges associated with ground surveying, as the terrain was difficult to navigate. The LiDAR-derived DEM provided the best results. This resulted in the representation of more features including macro- and microchannels, flood plains, clay pans, sand dunes, and subtle variations in lake topography.

Dattaand Kirchner (2010) used a digital elevation model (DEM) to derive the topographical characteristics of a study area. Usually, a DEM is incorporated into erosion models as a given parameter and it is not tested as extensively as the parameters related to soil, land-use and climate. In this study, they compares the erosion relevant topographical parameters (elevation, slope, aspect, LS factor) derived from 3 DEMs at original and 20 m interpolated resolution with field measurements for a 13 km² watershed located in the Indian Lesser Himalaya. The DEMs are: a TOPO DEM generated from digitized contour lines on a 1:50,000 topographic map; a Shuttle Radar Topography Mission (SRTM) DEM at 90-m resolution; and an Advanced Spaceborne Thermal Emission and Reflection Radiometer (ASTER) DEM at 15-m resolution. ASTER DEM was found to be poorest whereas, TOPODEM produced similar results to the coarser SRTM DEM, but failed to produce an improved representation of the watershed topography. Comparison with field measurements and mixed regression modelling proved SRTM DEM to be the most reliable among the tested DEMs for the studied watershed.

Ortiz *et al*. (2010) have done comparison of regional elevation heights in the Aguascalientes basin using DGPS technique with INEGI's digital terrain model. The purpose of this paper is to compare DGPS surveys using both two and three receivers, and to determine the error bar between the DTM (Digital Terrain Model) and the DGPS technique using as an example the city of Aguascalientes and surroundings. Two base receivers (Trimble 5700), and one portable receiver (Trimble 5800) were used. From this control point, elevations of the other benchmarks were determined using the TGO software. The research presented here shows that if adequate satellite coverage is available, two DGPS receivers generate an acceptable DTM model for the area under study. Three receivers give redundant information and allow the user to close the polygons offering increased confidence on the measured values. DTM models are an approximation and may be used as an initial value. Based on the results presented here, they suggest that DTM's may only be used for regional studies, and cannot be used to estimate the hydraulic gradient in aquifers in Mexico.

Smuleac *et al*. (2010) used the Leica TPC 805 Total Station for the topographic and land survey measurements, and the data were downloaded with LEICA Geo Office Tools special software. The following plans were executed after the measurements were taken: dimension site plan - 1:500; plot plan - 1:1000; development site plan - 1:10000. Generally, a geodesic network has at least two old points that in the first stage help determine the coordinates of the "new" points with the help of a certain method. A direct link is created between the older points through horizontal angular observations. Distances and orientation must also be determined between these points and they will be used in the compensation calculations. The calculations of the geo-topographic support networks were done with the TOTAL 2.0 software. The compensation of the support network is done with the least squares method, the indirect measurement method. The software creates a DXF file that can be used with the AutoCAD package at a later time. TOTAL 2.0 calculates and, where necessary, compensates any combination of direction and distance measurements, from the easiest (cancellation of registration, multiple intersection, multiple resection) to the most complex ones (various traverses, polygonometric networks, triangulation).

Connemara *et al*. (2011) carried out topographic survey at four historic bridges. Site survey control was established using a Trimble Differential GPS (R6). Subsequent surveying was carried out using both a Total Station (Leica TCR 407, Penmap Software, and Panasonic Toughbook Tablet PC) and a Trimble Differential GPS (R6). The survey data was edited in AutoCAD to create a hachured ground plan and a single representative elevation drawing. The four bridges were surveyed in three dimensions and the majority of the ground plan and topographical details were collected using the Trimble Differential GPS (R6) and supplemented with the Total Station and detail pole where necessary due to poor GPS signal. So majority of the elevation data were collected by means of the Total Station's red laser feature.

Jeong*et al*. (2013) conducted accuracy and efficiency tests for four different beach-profile surveying methods of: (i) spot measurement using a Total Station; (ii) spot measurement using a RTK-GPS system; (iii) continuous walking measurement using a RTK- GPS backpack system; and (iv) continuous measurement using a RTK-GPS system mounted on an all-terrain vehicle (RTK-GPS ATV system) at the Gosapo macro-tidal sand beach, South Korea. The test results indicates that the RTK-GPS spot measurement method have the lowest vertical error of about 2 cm, which includes equipment and operation errors, while the rest of them have similar vertical errors with a range of 3 to 6 cm. Compared to other surveying methods, RTK-GPS ATV system have advantages in surveying time and operational manpower with a reasonable vertical error of about 3 cm, which increases their surveying efficiency. As a result, The RTK-GPS ATV system is the most suitable surveying method for examining the beach volume and morphologic changes in a macrotidal sand beach, while the spot measurement methods using the Total Station or the RTK-GPS system are adequate for accurate beach profile change.

Pradeep Kumar *et al*. (2013) made an attempt to assess the accuracy of DGPS by comparing the data obtained from the Total Station at Indian School of Mines, Dhanbad campus. With DGPS the maximum error of 0.013m, minimum error of 0.002m and average error of 0.004m with standard deviation of 0.00554m was observed in Northing. In Easting maximum error of 0.017m, minimum error of zero meters and average error of 0.005m with standard deviation of 0.00674m was observed. The maximum error of 0.027m, minimum error of 0.005m and average error 0.007m with standard deviation of 0.01526m was observed in Reduced Level. The variation of average area from DGPS data with reference to Total Station data is 1.058m^2 . The DGPS provides the more reliable and accurate data which can be used for medium to small scale maps. The accuracy of data became improved with repeated observations and it depends on the taking of averages of data.

Ragab Khalil (2013) studied the accuracy of GIS tools for transforming assumed total station surveys to real world coordinates. In this paper the effect of using Georeferencing tool, Spatial Adjustment tool (Affine and similarity) and CHaMP tool on the precision and relative accuracy of total station survey were studied. The effects of using geodetic GPS, hand-held GPS, Google Earth (GE) and Bing Base maps as sources for control points on the precision and relative accuracy of total station survey was also studied. These effects have been tested by using 111 points from a covered area of $60,000 \text{ m}^2$ and the results have shown that the CHaMP tool was the best tool for preserving the relative accuracy of the transformed points. The Georeferencing and spatial adjustment tools gave the same results and their accuracy were between 1/1000 and 1/300 depending on the source of control points. The results have also shown that the cornerstone to preserve the precision and relative accuracy of the transformed coordinates is the relative position of the control points.

Diwakar *et al.* (2014) investigated the horizontal accuracy of Differential-GPS (DGPS) survey with comparison of Total Station instrument data. In this study they investigated the effect of observation time and the PDOP value on the accuracy obtained. The variation of accuracy with time and PDOP value has been analysed by curve fitting technique. For this work 19 points were established and observations were taken by using Total Station; TRIMBLE M3 and DGPS; TRIMBLE R3. Trimble Business Centre and the GNSS solution software are used for processing of raw data collected using DGPS. Terra Model software was used for processing Total Station data. Distance and height between established points is calculated using Total Station instrument

using angle and distance method. Distance calculated for successive points from DGPS data is compared with the distance calculated using Total Station. Afterward mean error, RMSE, standard deviation of distance calculated from DGPS is estimated from Total Station. The conclusion of the study was 25 minute observation time is sufficient as the accuracy in horizontal measurement for 25 minute observation Standard deviation and Standard Error is 0.013 meter and 0.003 meter respectively. Accuracy of DGPS survey is dependent upon the observation time and PDOP value. It is found in this study that for poor PDOP even long observation time does give better accuracy.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Chapter 3

MATERIALS AND METHODS

3.1 Study area

The study has been conducted in KCAET campus, Tavanur, Kerala, India having a geographical location of 10°52'30" North latitude and 76° East longitude. The area is characterized by sloping and undulating terrain with moderate vegetative cover. Total area comes to about 40 ha of which 50% is upland and the balance low lying paddy fields. Climate is humid tropic with an average annual rainfall of 3000 mm.

3.2 TOTAL STATION

Total Station is an optical instrument used in modern surveying. A Total Station surveying system consists of an electronic theodolite with an integrated Electronic Distance Measurement Instrument (EDMI), coupled with a precision retro reflector. There are reflectorless Total Stations available, but they tend to measure distances with a lesser degree of precision. Total Stations have been in use by the surveying community since the 1970s and are a proven technology. Total Stations are designed for outdoor usage and is capable of working in extreme weather conditions. It should not be exposed to heavy precipitation. Some Total Stations have robotic capabilities, enabling remote or programmed operations. These should be applicable to automated co-location surveys or monitoring. The primary function of Total Station is to measure slope distance, vertical angle, and horizontal angle from a setup point called instrument station to a foresight point.

Plate 3.1 Instrument setup

3.2.1 Main accessories of Total Station

3.2.1.1 Tripod

The most important criterion for a good tripod is its stability, more precisely, the torsional rigidity. Other requirements include the height stability under load and the minimal horizontal drift, long life, optimal vibration dampening, water resistance, outstanding behavior in solar radiation and their light weight in relation to load bearing capacity.

3.2.1.2 Tribrach

The most important criterion for a good tribrach is its good torsional rigidity or hysteresis. This hysteresis is the relative movement between the top plate and the base plate of a tribrach that occurs through the rotation of a TPS instrument. The hysteresis has direct influence on the angular accuracy of the instrument.

3.2.1.3 Prism

The range of a prism results from its coating and the glass geometry. A number of original prisms have a special coating on the reflective surfaces – the Anti-Reflex Coating, and a copper coating on the reverse side. Without these, the range of distance measuring, ATR and power search would be reduced by up to 30%. The workmanship and the durability of the copper coating are decisive for a long life. The glass dimensions, the position in the holder and the spatial orientation with it are important for measuring accuracy. Even under the most extreme environmental conditions, a long life span and maximum range of the highest accuracy are the most important criterion for prism.

3.2.2 Instrument Setup

3.2.2.1 Important features

• It is always recommended to shield the instrument from direct sunlight and avoid uneven temperatures around the instrument.

• The laser plummet described in this topic is built into the vertical axis of the instrument. It projects a red spot onto the ground, making it appreciably easier to center the instrument.

• The laser plummet cannot be used with a tribrach equipped with an optical plummet

3.2.2.2 Tripod

When setting up the tripod, attention should be paid to ensure a horizontal position of the tripod plate. Slight corrections of inclination can be made with the foot screws of the tribrach. Larger corrections must be done with the tripod legs. For this, clamping screws are loosened on the tripod legs, and the legs are pull out to the required length and the clamps are tightened.

a) In order to guarantee a firm foothold, the tripod legs have to be sufficiently pressed into the ground.

b) When pressing the legs into the ground, it is to be noted that the force must be applied along the legs.

Careful handling of tripod involve

• Checking of all screws and bolts for correct fit.

• Use the cover supplied while on transport.

1. Extend the tripod legs to allow for a comfortable working posture. Position the tripod over the marked ground point, center it as best as possible.

2. Fasten the tribrach and instrument onto the tripod.

3. Turn on the instrument, and, if tilt correction is set to **On**, the laser plummet will be activated automatically, and the **Level & Plummet** screen appears. Otherwise, press the **FNC**/**Favourites** key from within any program and select **Level &Plummet**.

4. Move the tripod legs and use the tribrach footscrews to center the plummet over the ground point.

5. Adjust the tripod legs to level the circular level.

6. By using the electronic level, turn the tribrach footscrews to precisely level the instrument

7. Centre the instrument precisely over the ground point by shifting the tribrach on the tripod plate.

8. Repeat steps 6 and 7 until required accuracy is achieved. Use the tripod only for surveying tasks.

Plate 3.2 Measuring height of instrument

3.2.2.3 Electronic level

1. Turn the instrument until it is parallel to two foot screws.

2. Centre the circular level approximately by turning the foot screws of the tribrach.

3. Turn on the instrument, and, if tilt correction is set to On, the laser plummet will be activated automatically, and the **Level & Plummet** screen appears. Otherwise press the **FNC**/Favourites key from within any program and select **Level & Plummet** by turning the two foot screws. Arrows show the direction of rotation required. The first axis is levelled, when the bubble is exactly between the squared brackets [] of the single axis bubble tube.

a) The bubble of the electronic level and the arrows for the rotating direction of the foot screws only appear if the instrument tilt is inside a certain leveling range.

4. Centre the electronic level of the first axis .The electronic level can be used to precisely level up the instrument using the foot screws of the tribrach.

a) When levelled correctly, checkmarks are displayed. For the Color and Touch display only; if the instrument is not levelled to one axis, then the icons for the single axis bubble tube and the circular bubble are framed red, else black.

5. Centre the electronic level for the second axis by turning the last foot screw. An arrow shows the direction of rotation required.

a) When all three bubbles are centered, the instrument has been perfectly levelled up.

6. Accept with Continue.

3.2.3 Working with Total Station:

i. Set up the tripod and mount the instrument.

- ii. Switch on the instrument.
- iii. Level and center the instrument.

iv. In the main menu select **Programs** \rightarrow **Surveying** \rightarrow set job.

- v. Press **F1**to create new job.
- vi. Give job name \rightarrow ok. Then job is set.

vii. Go to **Surveying** \rightarrow station set up \rightarrow set job \rightarrow start \rightarrow orientation with angle \rightarrow coordinate **entry.**

viii. Give point id and values to east, north, and height a 1000, 1000, 100 respectively.

ix. Height of the instrument is given. Horizontal angle is taken as $0 \rightarrow$ station and orientation set.

x. Give point id, height of reflector and remarks if needed.

xi. Measure maximum number of possible points from that particular position.

xii. Determine the next station by taking into consideration the relief, accessibility and visibility of the region.

xii. Measure the point. Note down the horizontal angle.

xiii. Change the station setup.

xiv. Select **Orientation with Coordinates** (Known Back Sight)

xv. Select target point id from list \rightarrow **coordinate entry** \rightarrow give height of reflector (**hr**).

xvi. Sight target point.

xvii. Note the horizontal angle. See if there is any variation in the angle. If there is difference in the values, then repeat the above steps. If there is no error set the point by pressing **Set**.

xviii. Next a window opens asking **HO already exists** \rightarrow select old \rightarrow station and orientation

set.

xix. Continue the survey.

Plate 3.3 Working with TS

3.2.4 Exporting of data

Job data, format files, configuration sets and code lists can be exported from the internal memory of the instrument. Data can be exported via:

• The RS232 serial interface

A receiver, such as a laptop, is connected to the RS232 port. The receiver requires Flex-

Office or another third-party software.

- The USB device port
- For instruments fitted with a Communication side cover. The USB device can be connected to the USB device port housed in the Communication side cover. The USB device requires FlexOffice or another third-party software.
- A USB memory stick

For instruments fitted with a Communication side cover. A USB memory stick can be inserted and removed from the USB host port housed in the Communication side cover. No additional software is required for the transfer.

3.2.4.1 Access

- Select Transfer from the Main Menu.
- Select Export.

3.2.4.2 Export

• Select as shown in the figure. Select \rightarrow To \rightarrow USB stick

Export Select			
To Data Type Job Select Job		Measurements 4D Single Job	USB-Stick KID 123
Back	Search	List	Cont

Fig.3.1 Export window

• The other steps are as shown in the table below:

Table 3.1 Steps during export

Field	Description		
To	USB memory stick or RS232 serial interface		
Data Type	Data Type to be transferred.		
	To USB interface: memory stick or RS232 serial		
	Measurements, Fix points, Measure and Fix points.		
	Only to USB memory stick: Road Data, Code, Format,		
	Configuration, Backup		
Job	Select whether to export all job-related data or a single job data		
	file.		
Select job	Displays the selected job or road alignment file.		
Format	If Data Type: Format.		
	Select whether to export all formats or single format		
Format Name	If Format: Single Format.		
	Name of the format to be transferred.		

3.2.4.3 Export data step by step

1. Press **Cont** in the Export screen after selecting the export details.

2. If export is to a USB memory stick, select the desired file location and press **Cont**

Data type: Default folder on USB memory stick

Job data: Jobs

Format files: Formats

Codes: Codes

3. Select the data format, enter the file name and press **Cont** or Send. If the data format is ASCII, the Define ASCII Export screen appears. Continue with step4. For all other data format types, a message will display confirming the successful export of data.

4. Define the delimiter value, the units and the data fields of the file and press Cont. A message will display confirming the successful export of data.

Fig.3.2 ASCII Export Window

5. Job data can be exported from a job in dxf, gsi, csv and xml file types, or any other userdefined ASCII format.

3.3 DGPS

DGPS is an advanced version or the enhancement to Global positioning System (GPS). DGPS can be achieved through post-processing the data or real-time telemetry links between a base and a rover. Real-time methods include (a) medium frequency beacon differential service, (b) L-Band satellite differential service, (c) frequency modulation sub- carrier differential service, (d) on-site,
radiofrequency telemetry link. All the real-time services have a coverage area and a range limitation and require a local radio/receiver to obtain the transmitted service. Method requires operation of a transmitter by the user in addition to the radio/receiver. Post-processing differential techniques relies on two GPS receivers with storage capacity. The kinematic post-processing method relies on the base station as the reference receiver and the rover as the unit that can move around without restriction. The user will post-process the data on a computer after the GPS data have been collected. Kinematic post processing is the most preferred method of tracking motion in DGPS when accuracy and precision are a major issue.

Post-processing is used to obtain precise positions of unknown points by relating them to known points such as survey markers. The GPS measurements are usually stored in computer memory in the GPS receivers, and are subsequently transferred to a computer running the GPS postprocessing software. The software computes baselines uses simultaneous measurement of data from two or more GPS receivers. The base line represents a three-dimensional line drawn between the two points occupied by each pair of GPS antennas. The post-processed measurements allow more precise positioning because most GPS errors can be cancelled out in calculations as they effect both receiver more or less equally. Differential GPS measurements can also be computed in real-time by some GPS receivers if they receive a correction signal using a separate radio receiver, for example in Real Time Kinematic (RTK) surveying or navigation.

Main features of DGPS survey are:

- Position is determined by distance from at least four satellites.
- Time taken by signal to travel from satellite to antenna is used to determine the distance.
- The base station calculates the difference between the specified coordinates of its location and those indicated by the satellites.
- The base is continuously broadcasting a signal to the rover of this difference.
- The rover then uses this same difference to accurately determine its location.

GNSS is basically a Global Navigation Satellite System. GNSS includes GPS, GLONASS, GALILIO and COMPASS satellite systems. The GPS is a US based satellite system which is having more than 32 satellites and they are available 24 hours. GLONASS is a Russian Satellite System which is available 24 hours and having around 24 satellite system. Galileo is a European satellite system and COMPASS is a Chinese Satellite System which is under testing. There are three types of survey which we can do using GNSS:

- 1. Static Survey (Control point establishment)
- 2. PPK Survey (Post Processed Kinematic Survey)
- 3. RTK Survey (Real Time Kinematic Survey)

3.3.1 Static Survey

Static Survey is basically used to establish the control points or network in the field. We normally do Triangulation method for the setting up of control survey as mentioned in below drawing. The processing of Data will be done in TBC (Trimble Business Center) software.

Fig. 3.3 Triangulation method for setting up control points

3.3.1.1 Starting Procedure of Static Survey

1. Base Startup:

a. Find a best, safe, secure and open location to setup the base. If possible, find high point place with open sky.

- b. Setup Tripod on Known Base Point mark on field.
- c. Mount Tribrach and Prism Base on The Tripod.
- d. Mount 2.5 meter Short Pole on the Prism Base.
- e. Mount R6 GNSS receiver on the Short Pole and Controller on the Tripod with Fixing Bracket.
- f. The Setup should look like below mentioned setup image.

Plate 3.4 Base setup in static survey

g. Now switch on the R6 GNSS Receiver.

h. Switch on the Controller and Set the local time from Start \rightarrow Setting \rightarrow Systems \rightarrow Clock. After setting the Clock as per the Country setting (GMT 05:30 New Delhi)

- i. To start the Trimble Access software go to Start \rightarrow Program \rightarrow Trimble Access.
- j. Go to General Survey. You will get six options.
- k. After opening this software, just click on the Settings.
- l. Go to Survey Style. The setting for the Static survey is as below:

STATIC SURVEY:							
ROVER OPTION	Page 1						
Survey Type: Fast Static	Logging Device: Controller						
Logging Interval: 1 Sec	Auto File Name: Ø (If you want to give Auto file name) than correct the check box)						
Elevation Mask: 15°	PDOP Mask: 6.0						
Page 2							
Antenna Type: R6 2 Internal	Measured To: Bottom of Antenna Mount						
Antenna Height: 2.00 M							
Page 3							
Use L2e: Ø	Use Glonass: Ø						

Fig. 3.4 Base settings window for static survey

m. After doing all above setting, accept all the setting and store the survey style settings.

n. Now go to Connect \rightarrow Bluetooth \rightarrow Configuration \rightarrow \blacksquare click the check box for turning on the Bluetooth. Select the receiver \rightarrow Next \rightarrow Next \rightarrow OK.

o. Connect the GNSS receiver to Rover \rightarrow R6XXXXXXX \rightarrow Accept.

p. Go to Trimble Access \rightarrow General Survey \rightarrow Jobs \rightarrow create New Job.

q. Give Job Name

r. Select the Coordinate System as per the survey location and zone. Also link your Feature Library if you are using for your survey.

s. Give approximate project height (MSL) of location.

t. Accept to save the changes you made in new job

u. Go to Survey \rightarrow Static \rightarrow Start Base Receiver \rightarrow Give a Base Point Name and Code \rightarrow Start

v. Now the base will start collecting the data.

2. Rover Startup:

- i. Find a best, safe, secure and open location to setup the Rover.
- ii. Setup Bipod on Point mark on field.
- iv. Now switch on the R6 GNSS Receiver.

v. Switch on the Controller and Set the local time from Start \rightarrow Setting \rightarrow Systems \rightarrow Clock. After setting the Clock as per the Country setting (GMT 05:30 New Delhi).

The Setup should look like below mentioned setup image.

Plate 3.5 Rover set up in static survey

vi. Go to General Survey. You will get six options.

vii. To start the Trimble Access software go to Start \rightarrow Program \rightarrow Trimble Access

- viii. After opening this software, just click on the Settings.
- ix. Go to Survey Style. The settings for the Static survey are as below:

STATIC SURVEY:							
ROVER OPTION Page 1							
Survey Type: Fast Static	Logging Device: Controller						
Logging Interval: 1 Sec	Auto File Name: Ø (If you want to give Auto file name than correct the check box)						
Elevation Mask: 15°	PDOP Mask: 6.0						
Page 2							
Antenna Type: R6 2 Internal	Measured To: Bottom of Antenna Mount						
Antenna Height: 2.00 M							
Page 3							
Use L2e: Ø	Use Glonass: Ø						

Fig. 3.5 Rover settings window in static survey

x. After doing all above setting, accept all the setting and store the survey style settings.

xi.. Now go to Connect \rightarrow Bluetooth \rightarrow Configuration $\rightarrow \blacksquare$ click the check box for turning on the Bluetooth. Select the receiver \rightarrow Next \rightarrow Next \rightarrow OK.

xii. Connect the GNSS receiver to Rover \rightarrow R6XXXXXXX \rightarrow Accept.

xiii. Go to General Survey. You will get six options.

xiv. Go to Job \rightarrow Create New Job.

xv. Give Job Name

xvi. Select the Coordinate System as per the survey location and zone. Also link your Feature

Library if you are using for your survey.

xvii. Give approximate project height (MSL) of location.

xviii. Accept to save the changes you made in new job

xix. Go to Survey \rightarrow Static \rightarrow Measure Points \rightarrow Give a Point Name and Code \rightarrow Start

xx. Now the Rover will start collecting the data. For a good survey keep the rover for ½ to 1 hour for each control points.

xxi. Repeat the same procedure for different Control Points.

3.3.1.2 Ending the GNSS survey

i. First do the ending of Survey in Rover.

ii. Go to Survey and Select End GNSS Survey. Now exit the Trimble Access software and off the controller.

iii. Secondly press the end option in Base. Now exit the Trimble Access software and switch off the controller.

iv. Repeat the all above procedure when you change the base location.

3.3.2 PPK Survey

PPK Survey is called Post Processed Kinematic Survey in which we are doing Topography. After collecting all the points, we have to do the post processing in software.

3.3.2.1 Startup procedure of PPK Survey

1. Base Setup:

i. Find a best, safe, secure and open location to setup the base. If possible, find high point place with open sky.

ii. Setup Tripod on Known Base Point mark on field.

iii. Mount Tribrach and Prism Base on The Tripod.

iv. Mount 2.5 meter Short Pole on the Prism Base.

v. Mount R6 GNSS receiver on the Short Pole and Controller on the Tripod with Fixing Bracket. The Setup should look like below mentioned setup image.

Plate 3.6 Base setup in PPK survey

vi. Now switch on the R6 GNSS Receiver.

vii. Switch on the Controller and Set the local time from Start \rightarrow Setting \rightarrow Systems \rightarrow Clock. After setting the Clock as per the Country setting (GMT 05:30 New Delhi)

viii. To start the Trimble Access software go to Start \rightarrow Program \rightarrow Trimble Access.

- ix. After opening this software, just click on the Settings.
- x. Go to Survey Style. The settings for the PPK survey are as below:

PPK SURVEY:							
BASE OPTION Page 1							
Survey Type: PP Kinematic	Logging Device: Controller						
Logging Interval: 1 Sec	Auto File Name: Ø (If you want to give Auto file name than correct the check box)						
Elevation Mask: 15°	Antenna Type: R6 2 Internal						
Page 2							
Measured To: Center of Bumper	Antenna Height: (Measured with Tape)						
Page 3							
Use L2e: Ø	Use Glonass: Ø						

Fig. 3.6 Base settings window in PPK survey

xi. After doing all above setting, accept all the setting and store the survey style settings.

xii. Now go to Connect \rightarrow Bluetooth \rightarrow Configuration \rightarrow Click the check box for turning on the Bluetooth. Select the receiver \rightarrow Next \rightarrow Next \rightarrow OK.

xiii. Connect the GNSS receiver to Base \rightarrow R6XXXXXXX \rightarrow Accept.

xiv. Go to General Survey. You will get six options.

xv. Go to Job \rightarrow Create New Job.

xvi. Give Job Name

xvii. Select the Coordinate System as per the survey location and zone. Also link your Feature

Library if you are using for your survey.

xviii. Give approximate project height (MSL) of location.

xix. Accept to save the changes you made in new job

xx. Go to Survey \rightarrow PPK \rightarrow Start Base Receiver \rightarrow Give a Base Point Name and Code \rightarrow Start

xxi. Now the base will start collecting the data.

2. Rover Setup:

- i. Find a best, safe, secure and open location to setup the Rover for Initialization.
- ii. Setup Bipod on Point mark on field.
- iii. Now switch on the R6 GNSS Receiver.

iv. Switch on the Controller and Set the local time from Start \rightarrow Setting \rightarrow Systems \rightarrow Clock. After setting the Clock as per the Country setting (GMT 05:30 New Delhi).

The Setup should look like below mentioned setup image.

Plate 3.7 Rover setup in PPK survey

- v. To start the Trimble Access software go to Start \rightarrow Program \rightarrow Trimble Access
- vi. After opening this software, just click on the Settings.
- vii. Go to Survey Style. The settings for the PPK survey are as below:

	PPK SURVEY:						
ROVER OPTION Page 1							
Survey Type: PP Kinematic	Logging Device: Controller						
Logging Interval: 1 Sec	Auto File Name: Ø (If you want to give Auto file name than correct the check box)						
Elevation Mask: 15°	PDOP Mask: 6.0						
Page 2							
Antenna Type: R6 2 Internal	Measured To: Bottom of Antenna Mount						
Antenna Height: 2.00 M							
Page 3							
Use L2e: Ø	Use Glonass: Ø						
TOPO POINTS							
Auto Point Step Size: 1	Quality Control: QC1						
Auto Store Point: (Do not Click the Option)	Occupation Time: 0 M 5 Sec						
No of Measurements: 15							

Fig. 3.7 Rover setting window in PPK survey

viii. After doing all above setting, accept all the setting and store the survey style settings.

ix. Now go to Connect \rightarrow Bluetooth \rightarrow Configuration. \Box Click the check box for turning on the Bluetooth. Select the receiver \rightarrow Next \rightarrow Next \rightarrow OK.

x. Connect the GNSS receiver to Rover \rightarrow R6XXXXXXX \rightarrow Accept.

xi. Go to General Survey. You will get six options.

xii. Go to Job \rightarrow Create New Job.

xiii. Give Job Name

xiv. Select the Coordinate System as per the survey location and zone. Also link your Feature Library if you are using for your survey.

xv. Give approximate project height (MSL) of location.

xvi. Accept to save the changes you made in new job

xvii. Go to Survey \rightarrow PPK \rightarrow Measure Points \rightarrow Esc

xviii. Again Go to Survey \rightarrow PPK \rightarrow Initialization \rightarrow Init \rightarrow New Point \rightarrow Give a Point Name and Code \rightarrow Start \rightarrow now wait for 8 min to get the Fixed Solution.

xix. After getting fixed solution just store the point and proceed for Topo Survey.

xx. For Topo Survey again go to Survey \rightarrow PPK \rightarrow Measure Points \rightarrow Point Name and Code \rightarrow Measure \rightarrow Wait till 15 sec \rightarrow Store the point.

xxi. Now go to next point.

xxii. Repeat the same procedure for different Topo Points.

3.3.2.2 Ending the PPK Survey

i. First do the ending of Survey in Rover.

ii Go to Survey and Select End GNSS Survey. Now exit the Trimble Access software and off the controller.

iii. Secondly press the end option in Base. Now exit the Trimble Access software and switch off the controller.

iv. Repeat the all above procedure when you change the base location.

3.3.2.3. Post process of data in Trimble Business Center

The Data collected in the field are processed in the Trimble Business Center which is office software. For doing the post process of data the below are the steps.

1. How to download the data:

i. Open the TBC software and plug the software key to the USB port of computer.

ii. Create a new project. Go to Project \rightarrow Project Setting \rightarrow Set all the parameters like company name, coordinate system, feature code library etc.

- Give company name and feature code if needed.
- To change the co-ordinate system \rightarrow select change \rightarrow UTM \rightarrow 43 North \rightarrow OK.

iii. Save all the settings while selecting OK.

iv. Connect the BASE controller to PC. The active sync will connect the instrument.

v. In TBC, the device menu will open. Select the file to download \rightarrow Just drag the file in software and select the appropriate geoid model (EGM96 global) \rightarrow keep the existing co-ordinate \rightarrow Now the check in list of base data will appear. Check all data like antenna height and receiver type. Ok to confirm the download.

vi. Same way connect the rover controller to PC and download the data.

2. How to process the Data:

i. Single click on the BASE point and right click on the point to view properties. Add coordinate of BASE while pressing \bullet button. Now make the base coordinate as control coordinate.

ii. Now you see will the baseline in the plan view. Go to Select \rightarrow Select All. Go to Survey \rightarrow Process Baseline.

iii. Now the Baseline processing will start and save the result. After completion of the data, check the report for fixed solution. For seeing the report \rightarrow select report icon from main menu \rightarrow select the required type (point list or base line processing) \rightarrow save the report in the required form.

iv. To export the point data to CSV/DWG/DC /etc. Go to Menu \rightarrow Export. Select the format to export as per your requirement.

3.3.3 RTK Survey

3.3.3.1 Startup procedure of RTK Survey

1. Base Setup:

i. Find a best, safe, secure and open location to setup the base. If possible, find high point place with open sky.

ii. Setup Tripod on Known Base Point mark on field.

iii. Mount Tribrach and Prism Base on The Tripod.

iv. Mount 2.5 meter Short Pole on the Prism Base.

v. Mount R6 GNSS receiver on the Short Pole and Controller on the Tripod with Fixing Bracket.

vi. Connect PDL 450 radio with receiver.

vii. Now switch on the R6 GNSS Receiver.

viii. Switch on the Controller and Set the local time from Start \rightarrow Setting \rightarrow Systems \rightarrow Clock. After setting the Clock as per the Country setting (GMT 05:30 New Delhi)

ix. To start the Trimble Access software go to Start \rightarrow Program \rightarrow Trimble Access

x. After opening this software, just click on the Settings.

xi. Go to Survey Style. The settings for the RTK survey are as below:

RTK SURVEY:								
BASE OPTION								
Page 1								
Survey Type: Real Time Kinematic	Broadcast Format: CMRx							
Station Index: (User Defined)	Elevation Mask: 15°							
Antenna Type: R6 2 Internal								
Page 2								
Measured To: Center of Bumper	Antenna Height: (Measured with Tape)							
Page 3								
Use L2e: ☑	Use Glonass: Ø							
BASE RADIO Page 1								
Type: Trimble PDL450	Receiver Port: Port1							
Baud Rate:9600								
After doing the setting press Connect								
Frequancy: 433.025	Radio Operating Mode: Base/Rover							
Base Radio Mode: TTL 450 at 9600 bps	Sensitivity: Moderate							

Fig. 3.8 Base settings in RTK survey

xii. After doing all above setting, accept all the setting and store the survey style settings.

xiii. Now go to Connect \rightarrow Bluetooth \rightarrow Configuration. \Box Click the check box for turning on the Bluetooth. Select the receiver \rightarrow Next \rightarrow Next \rightarrow OK.

xiii. Connect the GNSS receiver to Base \rightarrow R6XXXXXXX \rightarrow Accept.

xiv. Go to General Survey. You will get six options.

xv. Go to Job \rightarrow Create New Job.

xvi. Give Job Name

xvii. Select the Coordinate System as per the survey location and zone. Also link your Feature Library if you are using for your survey.

xviii. Give approximate project height (HAE) of location.

xix. Accept to save the changes you made in new job

xx. Go to Survey \rightarrow RTK \rightarrow Start Base Receiver \rightarrow Give a Base Point Name and Code \rightarrow Start.

2. Rover Setup:

- i. Find a best, safe, secure and open location to setup the Rover for Initialization.
- ii. Setup Bipod on Point mark on field.
- iii. Now switch on the R6 GNSS Receiver.

iv. Switch on the Controller and Set the local time from Start \rightarrow Setting $-\rightarrow$ Systems $-\rightarrow$ Clock. After setting the Clock as per the Country setting (GMT 05:30 New Delhi).

- v. To start the Trimble Access software go to Start \rightarrow Program \rightarrow Trimble Access
- vi. After opening this software, just click on the Settings.
- vii. Go to Survey Style. The settings for the RTK survey are as below:

viii. After doing all above setting, accept all the setting and store the survey style settings.

ix. Now go to Connect \rightarrow Bluetooth \rightarrow Configuration. \Box Click the check box for turning on the Bluetooth. Select the receiver \rightarrow Next \rightarrow Next \rightarrow OK.

x. Connect the GNSS receiver to Rover \rightarrow R6XXXXXXX \rightarrow Accept.

xi. Go to General Survey. You will get six options.

xii. Go to Job \rightarrow Create New Job.

xiii. Give Job Name

xiv. Select the Coordinate System as per the survey location and zone. Also link your Feature Library if you are using for your survey.

xv. Give approximate project height (HAE) of location.

xvi. Accept to save the changes you made in new job

xvii. Go to Survey \rightarrow RTK \rightarrow Measure Points \rightarrow Esc

xviii. After getting fixed solution just store the point and proceed for Topo Survey.

xix. Measure each point for every 5 sec logging of data.

xx. Now go to next point.

xxi. Repeat the same procedure for different Topo Points.

3.3.3.2 Ending the RTK Survey

i. First do the ending of Survey in Rover.

ii. Go to Survey and Select End GNSS Survey. Now exit the Trimble Access software and off the controller.

iii. Secondly press the end option in Base. Now exit the Trimble Access software and switch off the controller.

iv. Repeat the all above procedure when the base location is changed.

3.4 ArcGIS

ArcGIS is a Geographic Information System (GIS) for working with maps and geographic information. The system provides an infrastructure for making maps and geographic information available throughout an organization, across a community, and openly on the web.

It is used for:

- Creating and using maps
- Compiling geographic data
- Analyzing mapped information
- Sharing and discovering geographic information
- Using maps and geographic information in a range of applications
- Managing geographic information in a database

Steps involved during map formation in ArcGIS are:

ArcMap window is shown in the figure 3.10

Fig. 3.10 ArcMap window

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Chapter 4

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

4.1. TOTAL STATION SURVEY RESULTS

4.1.1. Co-ordinates of field data

Total Station data were processed in PC. After processing, co-ordinates of surveyed points were obtained ie, 419 points. The co-ordinates of some of the points are tabulated in Table4.1.

Point ID	Easting (m)	Northing (m)	Elevation (m)		
$\mathbf{1}$	975.062	1000.871	99.7722		
$\overline{2}$	977.0329	999.504	99.1158		
3	974.0394	1011.53	99.7494		
$\overline{4}$	974.6311	1019.191	100.6057		
$\overline{5}$	974.0793	1024.98	102.0542		
6	968.3189	1032.932	102.6568		
$\overline{7}$	990.4641	1031.422	102.4094		
8	992.462	1021.072	101.9938		
9	992.1904	1012.84	100.7373		
10	993.172	1001.219	100.0018		
11	993.0968	999.7573	99.2124		
12	992.6835	996.5233	99.0019		
13	992.6579	996.5107	98.9986		
14	1008.956	1029.329	102.0371		

Table 4.1 Total Station survey data

4.1.2 Map preparation in ArcGIS software

Using ArcGIS software, points were plotted and from that plot different DEM's and contour map of the area were created. Distribution of points surveyed by TS is shown in Fig. 4.1.

Fig. 4.1 Points surveyed on the uplands of KCAET campus

419 points were surveyed over an area of 15 ha. The points were observed in such a manner that more points were collected in regions with more undulating topography where as in a plane area the spacing of points were farther. Most closely spaced points were taken near the South-West boundary point where as the least number of points with more spacing was taken in the main ground which is one of the plane areas of KCAET campus.

TIN (Triangulated Irregular Network) was generated using ArcGIS. TIN is the vector-based representation of the physical land surface, made up of irregularly distributed lines with 3D coordinates(x , y , and z) that are arranged in a network of nonoverlapping triangles. The Fig. 4.2.shows the TIN generated.

Fig. 4.2 TIN of the study area

From the Figure 4.2, it can be noted that in regions where there is little variation in elevation, the points were widely spaced whereas in areas of more intense variation in elevation the point density was more. The regions with high elevation are shown in red colour in this TIN map. It has an elevation ranging between 101.989m to 104.593m. The lowest elevation points of surveyed area were in between 81.155m and 83.76m. It is shown in pink colour in the TIN map.

Contour map plotted using ArcGIS in which contour lines represents points of equal elevation (height) above a given level (arbitrary datum, mean sea level etc). A contour interval of 1m has been chosen. Fig. 4.3 shows the contour map of the area surveyed using Total Station.

Fig. 4.3 Contour map of the study area

In this contour map, the innermost loop shows the highest elevation area where as the outermost loop shows the lowest elevation area. In this contour map, the contour line having 104m is the highest point and that with 82m is the lowest point.

Slope map was created from the surveyed points and is shown in figure 4.4. A slope map is a map displaying the topography of the area, along with discussion of the topographic features. The region with higher slope is represented by dark coloured patches which range between 7.0 to 9.0 %, whereas regions with lowest slope are shown by light coloured patches. It ranges between 1.0 to 2.0 %.

Fig. 4.4 slope map of the study area

Areas having slope less than 2% requires only ordinary management practices to maintain their level of productivity. Overland flow is the main problems faced by those areas. Pastures can be maintained and cover crops can be adopted for reducing overland flow. Areas having slope between 2 to 5% is more susceptible to water erosion, frequent surface runoff accompanied with crop damage. Strip cropping, contour bunding, cover cropping and water disposal can be adopted for the conservation of fertile top soil. Areas having 5 to 10% slopes are having steep slopes and are more susceptible to erosion. Careful management practices are required in this area.

Major problem faced by KCAET at present is its acute water shortage in summer. Construction of recharge pits and percolation ponds in regions of lower elevation can help to solve this problem. It helps to recharge the ground water table.

4.2 GNSS SURVEY RESULTS

Post processing of data collected by DGPS was done by Trimble Business Center software. Distribution of points on the area is shown in the figure 4.3 and point list is given in the table 4.2.

Fig. 4.5 Point plotted using GNSS

In this figure two base stations are shown in triangular symbols. With respect to Base b1, 181 points are surveyed and 69 points were surveyed with respect to base b2. In the above figure unprocessed data is shown.

The Horizontal precision, Vertical precision, Geodetic azimuth etc, can be obtained from the processing summary. The processing summary of some of the points are given in the table 4.3.

Observation	From	To	Solution Type	H. Prec. (Meter)	V. Prec. (Meter)	Geodetic Az.	Ellipsoid Dist. (Meter)	Δ Height (Meter)
rov1 (B1)	b ₁	rov1	Fixed	0.005	0.011	322°52'11"	8.765	0.126
rov2 (B2)	b ₁	rov2	Fixed	0.035	0.058	163°46'42"	156.389	-8.007
rov5 (B5)	b ₁	rov5	Fixed	0.054	0.093	162°12'10"	159.262	-7.346
rov7 (B7)	b1	rov7	Fixed	0.023	0.031	152°05'59"	171.820	-7.503
rov8 (B8)	b1	rov8	Fixed	0.024	0.030	152°53'03"	157.837	-6.962
rov9 (B9)	b ₁	rov9	Fixed	0.036	0.037	152°51'30"	171.020	-7.581
rov10 (B10)	b1	rov10	Fixed	0.026	0.031	142°24'19"	179.007	-6.869
rov11 (B11)	b ₁	rov11	Fixed	0.025	0.032	142°41'16"	184.923	-7.083
rov12 (B12)	b1	rov12	Fixed	0.049	0.052	143°50'13"	182.582	-7.050
rov14 (B14)	b ₁	rov14	Fixed	0.035	0.040	138°44'48"	172.311	-6.412

Table 4.3 Processing Summary

Here, Geodetic azimuth refers to a vector measured from true north at any given point on the earth. If field is set to ellipsoid then a correction is applied and all distances are calculated as if on the local ellipsoid which is called ellipsoid distance.

Vector components of rover points with respect to base station is shown in the table 4.4

From:	b ₁								
Grid			Local		Global				
Easting		607783.271 m Latitude			N10°51'11.65719" Latitude				N10°51'11.65719"
Northing		1199926.638 m Longitude					E75°59'09.96007" Longitude		E75°59'09.96007"
Elevation		28.176 m Height				-63.975 m Height			-63.975 m
To:		rov1							
Grid			Local		Global				
Easting		607777.959 m Latitude			N10°51'11.88461" Latitude				N10°51'11.88461"
Northing		1199933.607 m Longitude			E75°59'09.78588" Longitude				E75°59'09.78588"
Elevation			28.303 m Height		-63.849 m Height			-63.849 m	
Vector									
Δ Easting				-5.312 m NS Fwd Azimuth			322°52'11" AX		4.845 m
ANorthing				6.969 m Ellipsoid Dist.			8.765 m AY		-2.437 m
AElevation				0.126 m Δ Height			0.126 m ΔZ		6.887 m

Table 4.4 Vector components of rover points

In Trimble business center, Global latitude or longitude heights are in terms of a "Global coordinate datum" which in most modern cases is synonymous with the WGS84 datum. A Global co-ordinate datum is an approximation of the entire globe.

Local latitude or longitude heights are in terms of a "Local co-ordinate datum" which is a datum that is a regional best fit, rather than a global best fit. An example for local co-ordinate datum is Australian Geodetic Datum.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

Chapter 5

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

The main purpose of this project work is to prepare the topographic map of upland regions of KCAET campus. The topographic map is very important while planning for agricultural infrastructures and for soil and water conservation studies. For this purpose, the main equipments used were Total Station and DGPS. During this project the principles and working of Total Station and DGPS were studied. Using Total Station, upland areas of KCAET campus were surveyed and the coordinates of 419 points were taken. Using the field collected data, a topographic map was plotted using arcGIS10.3 software. Total Station data lacks geographic coordinates and this give rise to difficulty plotting the data using GIS software. Using the field collected data three maps were generated: TIN, contour map and slope map. GNSS was also adopted for surveying the same area. But due to the dense canopy of the plot, the survey was further confined to the open areas of the study area. During the GNSS survey two base points were taken and with respect to this 250 points were surveyed. Post process kinematic survey was adopted for this. These points were post processed in PC using Trimble Business Centre Software. Due to some inevitable reasons maps for this survey could not be made. The processed reports were exported to the required file format. The data of the base line report helped in knowing the longitude, latitude, elevation, easting and northing and other details of the point. Geographical coordinates taken by GNSS were used during plotting maps of Total station collected field coordinates in ArcGIS.

From this project, it can be concluded that Total station and DGPS are two efficient equipments that can be used for surveying in a short span of time in a more accurate manner. Even though the use of TSS reduces the manual errors involved, it has limitations regarding the visibility and lacks references of geographical co-ordinates. In the case of DGPS, the measurements of points more fast and gave more precise data than TSS. DGPS can cover wider areas than of TSS but shows limitations in places with dense canopy and is weather dependent. In Kerala terrain, working with DGPS alone does not give good results whereas that in combination with TSS give better and satisfactory results. A map with good accuracy and great speed could be generated. Contour map can be made interactive to accommodate various engineering planning requirements. TIN has been generated using the co-ordinates of TSS and it can act as a prerequisite for generating customized maps such as degree of slope, aspect, slope curvature, contour etc. A slope map was

prepared from data collected using TSS. From the slope map, it was known that the highest slope of the area ranges between 7.0 to 9.0 % and lowest slope ranges between 1.0 to 2.0%. Based on the slope ranges obtained, various conservation measures for the area can be planned adopted.

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APPENDICES

Appendix I

Appendix II

PREPARATION OF TOPOGRAPHIC MAP USING TOTAL STATION AND GNSS

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ABSTRACT

Topographic map is of great importance for the professional activities of an Agricultural Engineer. This map is an important prerequisite for soil and water conservation planning, design and planning of irrigation and drainage networks, farm infrastructure and other developments in agricultural field. This project work mainly focused on the preparation of topographic map of upland regions of KCAET, Tavanur using modern surveying equipments such as Total Station (LeicaTS06) and DGPS (Trimble). Using the field collected data from Total Station, a topographic map was plotted using ArcGIS10.3 software. TIN, contour map, and slope map were generated from this topographic map. In GNSS survey, post-process kinematic survey method was adopted. Post- processing of field collected data was done in Trimble Business Center software. The base line report obtained by exporting the data from the software provides the longitude, latitude, elevation, easting and northings etc. of the field point. It was found that,in Kerala terrain (with dense canopy) working with DGPS alone does not give good result whereas, in combination with TSS gives better and more satisfactory results. A contour map and slope map with good accuracy and great speed were generated and they can be used to accommodate various engineering planning requirements.