A Surveying Telescope



In its simplest form uses:

- Two convex lenses i.e. objective lens and eyepiece
- Rays from object (at distance more than focal length) throw objective lens constitutes real small inverted image
- Rays from inverted image (at distance less than focal length) throw eyepiece constitutes magnified and inverted virtual image



Eyepiece: Produces magnified image

Focusing lens: moves the image constituted by objective lens to be on the diaphragm plane







Focusing

- 1. Rotate eyepiece to give a sharp, clear image of the cross hairs
- 2. Rotate focusing screw to give a sharp, clear image of the object being observed The aim of focusing is to remove (eliminate) PARALLAX
- When focussing any optical instrument it is vitally important that we eliminate Parallax. Move the eye up and down (or from left to right) over the eyepiece of the telescope.
- If the cross hairs move relative to the object being observed then Parallax exists and the focussing is not satisfactory.

Elimination of Parallax



Level Bubble

- Accuracy of surveying equipment depends on the sensitivity of used circular and longitudinal bubbles
- Sensitivity is the angle corresponding to one division of bubble with length 2mm. It is related to the radius of bubble curvature
- Sensitivity= angle of tilt / one division of scale on glass

 $Sensitivity = \frac{\text{division}(2\text{mm})}{\text{radius of curvature}}$

- Example: If it takes 20" of arc to move the bubble by 2 mm then the radius of curvature is 20 m.
- For first order leveling, the instruments have 2" bubbles (2" of arc to move the bubble 2 mm) with "206 m radius.
- Sensitivity of circular bubble around 15'
- Sensitivity of longitudinal bubble around 20"



Field Check of Level Instruments

(1) Check/Adjust Spirit Bubbles for 'vertical' axis to be plumb



Two - Peg Test for a Level





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$$\delta h_{A} = \delta h_{T}$$

This is true since the instrument is the same distance from both staff positions and the errors x are equal and cancel out.

Now move the instrument outside the "odd numbered" peg





But the TRUE height difference

 $\delta h_{\rm A} = S_3 - S_4$ $\delta h_{\rm T}$ We already know is



Summary : Two - Peg Test

Place two pegs about L = 30m (to 40m) apart.

Set up level midway between the two pegs.

Read staff on each peg, and calculate true height difference.

Move level about L / 10 = 3m (or 4m) beyond one of the pegs.

Read staff on each peg again, and calculate height difference.

Collimation Error e = difference in the differences and is expressed as a number of mm per L m

Acceptable errors

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1mm per 20m

Test should be carried out regularly say once per week or two.





Effect of Earth Curvature



Where L is distance between level and staff; R is radius of Earth 6370km.

L (m)	20	40	50	60	80	100
Curvature Error (mm)	0	.12	.2	.28	.5	.78

- 1. The levelling specifications recommend the maximum distance between level and staff to be 50m due to:
- Reduce curvature error.
- Increase the ability to see the divisions of staff.
- 2. The levelling specifications recommend the level to be midway between first and last readings to:
- Reduce or eliminate curvature error.
- Reduce or eliminate line of sight error.