

**CANADIAN BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS**

**C-4 COORDINATE SYSTEMS & MAP PROJECTIONS**

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Although programmable calculators may be used, candidates must show all formulae used, the substitution of values into them, and any intermediate values to 2 more significant figures than warranted by the answer. Otherwise, full marks may not be awarded even though the answer is numerically correct.

Note: This examination consists of 6 questions on 3 pages.

Marks

<u>Q. No</u>	<u>Time: 3 hours</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Earned</u>
1.	Answer all of the following: a) Name one inertial reference system (or an approximation) and compare and contrast its properties (origin, Cartesian coordinate axis orientations, primary plane, why it is inertial or not) with those of the International Terrestrial Reference System (ITRS). b) Explain one important difference between the ITRS and the Instantaneous terrestrial (IT) system. c) Explain how an orbital coordinate system is defined (describing the origin and coordinate axes) and describe three of the important parameters needed to convert coordinates in an orbital system to geocentric coordinate system. d) Clearly explain the essential differences between CGVD28 and CGVD2013 and discuss their uses in geomatics (demonstrating in your explanation and discussion your understanding of the full name and meaning of each term).	10  2  7  7	
2.	Using well labelled sketches only, illustrate the Mercator and the Polar Stereographic projections in the Northern hemisphere; give one sketch for the Mercator projection and the other sketch for the Polar Stereographic projection. The sketches must show the projections of the loxodrome with bearing 90°, Equator, Central Meridian, parallels and meridians with the appropriate relationship between the lines of the graticule clearly illustrated. (Note: To earn full marks, the number of graticule lines must be sufficient to illustrate the spacing between them.)	16	
3.	a) On a UTM Zone 12 projection, calculate the grid convergence ( $\gamma$ ) (to the nearest arc second) for point A with latitude ( $\phi = 53^\circ 42' 28''$ N) and longitude ( $\lambda = 112^\circ 18' 29''$ W). (Refer to the formula sheet for the appropriate grid convergence formula, which must be used get full marks) b) What would be the longitude of a point with the same numeric value for convergence, but opposite algebraic sign? c) A 3TM zone (with False Easting of 304,800 m and the scale factor of central meridian of 0.99990) and a UTM zone have the same central meridian. Calculate the UTM coordinates of the point whose 3TM map coordinates are X = 274,800.000 m, Y = 5,500,000.000 m.	9  2  5	
4.	Answer all of the following: a) Name the parameters of 14-parameter transformation, and explain the purpose of the transformation. b) Explain the important differences between UT1 and UTC (stating their full names and what distinguishes them). c) Discuss three classes of time scales that are each related to some natural	4  4  3	

	observable phenomenon (stating the phenomena they are related to and how).		
5.	Answer all of the following: a) A typical cadastral survey plan usually shows, among other details, the horizontal ground-level distances and the corresponding astronomic bearings of boundaries of a given land parcel; these distances and bearings are different from the plotted corresponding distances and bearings on the plan. Explain the differences and provide the theoretical and practical procedures for making the quantities equivalent.	7	
	b) Discuss briefly the concept of Tissot indicatrix and clearly describe its practical applications using conformal and equal-area mapping as examples.	10	
	c) Discuss two important advantages of computing geodetic positions on a conformal projection plane as compared to computing them on an equal-area projection.	4	
6.	The map projection equations relating map projection coordinates (x, y) with the corresponding geographic coordinates ( $\phi, \lambda$ ) can be given as $x = R\lambda \qquad y = R \sin \phi$ where R is the mean radius of the spherical earth. Determine (showing your mathematical derivations) if the projection is equivalent using two different approaches (the conclusions of the two approaches must be identical).	10	
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Some potentially useful formulae are given as follows:

$$T_{-t} = \frac{(y_2 - y_1)(x_2 + 2x_1)}{6R_m^2}$$

where  $y_i = y_i^{UTM}$ ;  $x_i = x_i^{UTM} - x_0$ ;  $R_m$  is the Gaussian mean radius of the earth; and  $x_i^{UTM}$  and  $y_i^{UTM}$  are the UTM Easting and Northing coordinates respectively, for point  $i$ .

$$\text{UTM average line scale factor, } \bar{k}_{UTM} = k_0 \left[ 1 + \frac{x_u^2}{6R_m^2} \left( 1 + \frac{x_u^2}{36R_m^2} \right) \right];$$

$$\text{where } x_i = x_i^{UTM} - x_0; \quad x_u^2 = x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + x_2^2$$

$$\text{UTM point scale factor, } k_{UTM} = k_0 \left[ 1 + \frac{\Delta x^2}{2R_m^2} \right], \text{ where } \Delta x = x^{UTM} - x_0$$

$$k_{UTM} = k_0 \left[ 1 + \frac{L^2}{2} \cos^2 \phi \right]$$

$k_0$  is scale factor of Central Meridian and  $x_0$  is the False easting value (or 500 000 m)  
 $L = (\lambda - \lambda_0)$  (in radians) for a given longitude  $\lambda$ ; and  $\lambda_0$  is the longitude of the central meridian.

$$\text{Grid convergence, } \gamma = L \left( 1 + \frac{L^2}{3} (1 + 3\eta^2) \cos^2 \phi \right) \sin \phi$$

where  $\eta^2 = e'^2 \cos^2 \phi$ ,  $e'^2 = 0.006739496780$ ;  $L = (\lambda - \lambda_0)$  (in radians);  $\lambda_0$  is the longitude of the central meridian; and  $\phi$  is the latitude of the given point.

Geodetic bearing:  $\alpha = t + \gamma + (T - t)$

$$Sf = \frac{R_m}{R_m + H_m}$$

Transformation Formulas:

$$X_{(target)} = k_{0(target)} X_G + X_{0(target)}$$

$$Y_{(target)} = k_{0(target)} Y_G$$

$$X_G = \frac{[X_{(original)} - X_{0(original)}]}{k_{0(original)}}$$

$$Y_G = \frac{Y_{(original)}}{k_{0(original)}}$$

ITRF:

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \mathbf{r}_0 + \dot{\mathbf{r}}(t - t_0)$$

where  $\mathbf{r}_0$  and  $\dot{\mathbf{r}}$  are the position and velocity respectively at  $t_0$ .

Distortion Formulas:

Given:  $X = f(\phi, \lambda) \quad Y = g(\phi, \lambda)$

$$m_1^2 = \frac{f_\phi^2 + g_\phi^2}{R^2}; \quad m_2^2 = \frac{f_\lambda^2 + g_\lambda^2}{R^2 \cos^2 \phi}; \quad p = \frac{2(f_\phi f_\lambda + g_\phi g_\lambda)}{R^2 \cos \phi}$$

$$\frac{d\Sigma'}{d\Sigma} = m_1 \times m_2 \sin A'_p;$$

$$\sin A'_p = \frac{f_\lambda g_\phi - f_\phi g_\lambda}{\sqrt{(f_\lambda g_\phi - f_\phi g_\lambda)^2 + (f_\phi f_\lambda + g_\phi g_\lambda)^2}}$$

Equivalency Condition:  $f_\lambda g_\phi - f_\phi g_\lambda = \pm R^2 \cos \phi$

Cauchy-Riemann Equations:  $f_\phi = -\frac{1}{\cos \phi} g_\lambda; \quad g_\phi = \frac{1}{\cos \phi} f_\lambda$