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# SECTION 11 PLOTTING

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7. The completed control plot. The radial intersections are marked with a small blue circle (about ¼ inch diameter), using blue cellulose ink, the principal points of all photographs are marked with a small red circle (about 1/16 inch diameter), using red cellulose ink. All points marked.on reverse side of master sheet. The projection lines on the master sheet are inked (black cellulose ink) and the scale is inked (red cellulose ink).

### TRACING DETAIL FROM PHOTOS TO WORK SHEET

### **PROCEDURE:**

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1. Select additional points to control planimetric detail (detail points). Such points may be along shore line, outlying rocks, drainage lines, buildings and other critical points necessary for tracing detail. 2. Transfer these detail points to each succeeding and preceding print. (<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> green circles)

3. Place photo under work sheet and orient it according to center point and intersections of picture control points on work sheet. Then get radial intersection of detail points by same method as picture control intersections were obtained. (¼ green circles)

4. Place each pair of photographs under stereoscope and outline ground detail desired by drawing on photographs.

5. Place photograph under work sheet in its proper orientation. 6. When tracing detail, move detail point of intersection on sheet exactly over the corresponding detail point on the photograph, keeping in line with the principal point. Then trace the detail around this detail point and gradually move the work sheet so that when tracing arrives at the next detail point, the detail point on the work sheet is exactly over the same detail point on the photograph. This movement from point to point, should be from the principal point, in or out, as the case may be.

# RESTRICTED CONSTRUCTION OF CANADIAN GRID Three conditions are required: 1. Precise focal length 2. Flying height 3. Visible horizon PROCEDURE: Ι Establish true horizon. TRUE HORIZON APPARENT HORIZON P - principal point A - altitude $\Theta$ - True angle of tilt (+apparent tilt + dip angle) tan of apparent tilt = <u>PH1 measured</u> on photo in inches Dip angle in minutes = .98 altitude in feet Distance PH is found from formula $PH = f \tan \varphi$ Line PH is perpendicular to the apparent horizon. Draw a line thru H parallel to the apparent horizon. ΙI thru point G. (Diagram on following page). HG in inches = $\frac{\text{Altitude}}{\cos 9}$ X Scale Scale Scale of grid Example: Scale - 1" on grid = 660 on ground Altitude - 5.000

 $HG = \frac{5000}{866} \times \frac{1"}{660'} = 9.99"$ 

Tilt -  $30^{\circ}$ 

AA' parallel to the true horizon is drawn thru G.

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# PLOTTING SINGLE OBLIQUE PHOTO (CONT.)

CONSTRUCTION OF CANADIAN GRID (CONT.)



- III Lay off along AA' equal space units(previously determined as the scale of the grid)originating spaces at point G. Draw meridians connecting these points and point H.
- IV The vanishing points for a system of parallel lines that make an angle of 45° on the ground with the meridian lines is located on the true horizon at a distance HX or HX<sup>1</sup> from point H.

HX or 
$$HX^1 = \frac{f}{\cos \Theta}$$

Plot X and  $X^1$  and draw lines thru P from X and  $X^1$  cutting across the meridian lines.

v The points where the diagonals cross the meridian lines will give the proper spacing for the horizontal lines.

### METHOD OF MAKING BASE MAP FROM AN OBLIQUE

Four conditions are required:

- 1. Precise focal length
- 2. Flying heighth
- 3. Visible horizon
- 4. Comparatively flat terrain
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