# GEOPAK COGO CONCEPTS COURSE

The Coordinate Geometry (COGO) Concepts Course was developed as a self help program to aid employees of NCDOT Roadway Design Unit in the development of their knowledge of GEOPAK COGO syntax.

We found that many people experience difficulty understanding the syntax lines of COGO command lines, especially in converting existing alignments or data into input files.

The course is provided in four sections:

- (1) Points
- (2) Curves
- (3) Spirals
- (4) Chains and Alignments

By using the GEOPAK general term conventions, the exercises in each section build a foundation for understanding by assembling the various parts of a command line in the correct squeence. We feel confident that this course will be beneficial to anyone experiencing difficulties with COGO.

# NOTICE!

This course material is available to anyone who wants it. However the offer for support and evaluation, as mentioned in the instruction documents, is restricted to employees of NCDOT Roadway Design Unit and Division DDC's.

Other design units of the Division of Highways may request and possibly receive support and evaluation.

# **General Conventions Used in the GEOPAK Manual**

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na, nb, ni	points to be stored that have not been used before (new)	
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angle	a numerical angle can be given in any one of the following forms: degrees minutes seconds degrees minutes degrees	
P/M angle	the backsight direction, plus or minus the given angle. P is clockwise and M is counter-clockwise.	
P/M DEF angle	the forward direction, plus or minus the given angle. P for clockwise and M is for counter-clockwise	
Offset value	OFF (P/M) distance. P means to the right in the forward direction as implied by the statement. M is to the left. If the optional (P/M) is not given, PLUS is assumed.	
station	A plus sign may be used, embedded in the numerical value. If no plus sign is used, the system parameters will be utilized. No spaces are allowed before and after the plus (+) sign.	
DB	DIRECTION BACK: applies to the back tangent on curves and spirals.	
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сс	CENTER OF CURVE	
Distance	(DIS) value (P/M/MUL/DIV value2) (DIS (FROM) pa TO pb (P/M/MUL/DIV  value2) (DIS) R curvename	

Direction	<ul> <li>Allowable formats:</li> <li>angle (P/M angle)</li> <li>N/S angle E?W (P/M-)</li> <li>(AZ) angle (P/M-)</li> <li>pa to pb (P/M angle)</li> <li>pa, pb [optional short for pa TO pb]</li> </ul>
examples:	120 34 57 N 44 08 14.3 W P 90 S 17 50 E M 2 13 25
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Pa-pi	a hyphen between two stored points implies reading those points consecutively.

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CON	COPY	CS	CURVE
DEFLECTION	DEGREE	DELETE	DELTA
DA	DB	DI	D2
ELEVATION	EQUATE	EX	FIX
FROM	GAP	LC	LENGTH
LINE	LIST	LOCATE	LS
LT	NEAR	Μ	OFFSET
ON	PARCEL	PC	PI
PIS	PISCS	PIZ	POINT
PRINT	PROJECT	PROFILE	PT
RADIUS	REDEFINE	RT	SC
SCS	SEGMENT	SEST	SHIFT
SHOW	SPIRAL	ST	STATION
STORE	SYSTEM	TANGENT	THRU

#### TL TO TRANSPORT TS

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# Instruction for part one Points

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#### WRITE OUT ALL SYNTAX LINES

- 1. All problems are to be answered by writing out the lines of syntax. You are not to use the machine GEOPAK.
- 2. Exercises 1 through 4 on sheet 8, require fours solutions each, one solution for each format (A, B, C &D)
- 3. Exercises 5 through 8 require only one solution or one (1) line of syntax (format A).
- 4. Special attention to sheet 11 for Intrinsic Precision\* values
- 5. Each line of the exercise on sheet 12 is all parts of the same group input. This will required two input files one in format A and one in format B.
- 6. Complete exercises on page 13 with one line syntax.

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ELEVATION	EQUATE	EX	FIX
FROM	GAP	LC	LENGTH
LINE	LIST	LOCATE	LS
LT	NEAR	Μ	OFFSET
ON	PARCEL	РС	PI
PIS	PISCS	PIZ	POINT
PRINT	PROJECT	PROFILE	РТ
RADIUS	REDEFINE	RT	SC
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TL	ТО	TRANSPORT	TS

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# **Part 1- Points**

- a. Store point
- b. Print point
- c. Delete point
- d. List point
- e. Equate point
- f. Locate point

Part 2- Simple Curves Part 3- Spirals Part 4- Chains

## **STORING POINTS**

# FORMAT A IS THE PREFERRED METHOD FOR ROADWAY DESIGN

# Format A

- [1] Store (POInt) number [2] North northing East easting
- [3] (<u>STAtion station</u>) [4] (<u>ELE</u>vation <u>elevation</u>) [5] (<u>FEA</u>ture <u>feature</u>)
- [6] (<u>DES</u>cription <u>description</u>)
- [1] The "number" is the alphanumeric identification for the point to be stored. The <u>POI</u> is only required if the point is designated with an alpha character instead of a number.
- [2] the northing and easting represent the point coordinate location, with N and E prefixing the coordinates.
- [3] The point can be assigned a station
- [4] Elevation if it is required.
- [5] Feature (i.e. CB, DI, MH, Tree, etc.)
- [6] Description (i.e. PI of curve RMP6, however, use of the inch symbol (") is NOT supported.

**Example:** 

Point 117 or A117, is a 48" oak tree located at N 10923.8766 E 51230.9797 with a station of 28+91.44 and an elevation of 137.2'.

STORE 117 NORTH 10923.8766 EAST 51230.9797 STATION 28+91.44 ELEVATION 137.2 OR S 117 N 10923.8766 E 51230.9797 STA 28+91.44 EL 137.2

STORE POINT A117 NORTH 10923.8766 EAST 51230.9797 STATION 28+91.44 OR S POI A117 N 10923.8766 E 51230.9797 STA 28+91.44

STORE POINT 117 NORTH 10923.8766 EAST 51230.9797 STATION 28+91.44 FEATURE TREE DESCRIPTION "48 INCH OAK TREE" OR S 117 N 10923.8766 E 51230.9797 STA 28+91.44 FEA TREE DES "48 INCH OAK TREE"

# **Format B**

THIS FORMAT REQUIRES GEOPAK COORDINATE USER PREFERENCE DISPLAY SET TO X/Y.

[1] <u>Store</u> (<u>POInt</u>) <u>number</u> [2] <u>X</u> <u>easting</u> <u>Y</u> <u>northing</u> [3] ((<u>STA</u>tion <u>station</u>) [4] (<u>ELE</u>vation <u>elevation</u>) [5] (<u>FEA</u>ture <u>feature</u>) [6] (<u>DES</u>cription <u>description</u>)

Example:

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Y

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S 117 X 51230.9797 Y 10923.8766 STA 28+91.44 EL 137.2 OR S POI A117 Y 10923.8766 X 51230.9797 STA 28+91.44 EL 137.2

# **Format** C

THIS FORMAT REQUIRES GEOPAK COORDINATE USER PREFERENCE DISPLAY SET TO N/E.

[1] <u>Store</u> (<u>POInt</u>) <u>number</u> [2] <u>northing</u> <u>easting</u> [3] (<u>STA</u>tion <u>station</u>) [4] (<u>ELE</u>vation <u>elevation</u>) [5] (<u>FEA</u>ture <u>feature</u>) [6] (<u>DES</u>cription <u>description</u>)

Example:

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S 117 10923.8766 51230.9797 STA 28+91.44 EL 137.2 OR S POI A117 10923.8766 51230.9797 STA 28+91.44 EL 137.2

# Format D

THIS FORMAT REQUIRES GEOPAK COORDINATE USER PREFERENCE DISPLAY SET TO X/Y.

[1] <u>Store</u> (<u>POInt</u>) <u>number</u> [2] <u>easting northing</u> [3] (<u>STA</u>tion <u>station</u>) [4] (<u>ELEvation elevation</u>) [5] (<u>FEA</u>ture <u>feature</u>) [6] (<u>DES</u>cription <u>description</u>)

Example:

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Y

Point 117 or A117, is a 48" oak tree located at N 10923.8766 E 51230.9797 with a station of 28+91.44 and an elevation of 137.2.

S 117 51230.9797 10923.8766 STA 28+91.44 EL 137.2 OR S POI A117 51230.9797 10923.8766 STA 28+91.44 EL 137.2

#### **EXERCISE**

# USE <u>FORMATS A, B, C AND D</u> TO STORE EACH OF THE FOLLOWING POINTS.

Point 112 is located N 186343.6870 E 2329416.6145 with a station of 10+00.00

Point AA2 is a PI for curve 18 located at N 186329.6949 E 2330106.4726

Point 333zzz is a proposed right-of way monument located at N 184990.2510 E 2332774.0729 with a station of 247+000.000 and an elevation of 205.000 m

Point 771 is the corner of a brick house in parcel 45 located at N 185746.4795 E 2340503.2782 with station 158+00.00

Point jjj000 is a 60" pine tree located at N 185489.2395 E 2342643.1720 with a station of 10+00.00

Point PIZ is a light pole located at N 181737.9727 E 2343658.5224 with a station of 21+00.00.

Point SH7 is located N 181138.3111 E 2344748.5640 with an elevation of 128.71'.

Point 8 is a 48" oak tree located at N 280492.2598 E 2345916.7146 with a station of 175+00 .00.

# PRINTING DATA FROM STORED POINTS

Where *pa*, *pb*, *pc*, *pk*, etc are the identification number of the stored point.

FORMAT A	
<u>PRI</u> nt <u>POI</u> nts <u>pa</u> ( <u>pb, pc</u> , <u>pk</u> )	
PRI POI 10, 20, 40, 60	data for points 10, 20, 40, 60
FORMAT B	
<u>PRI</u> nt <u>POI</u> nts <u>pa</u> t <u>hru pk</u>	
PRI POI 10 THRU 50	data for points 10 thru 50
FORMAT C	
PRInt POInts pa-pk	
PRI POI 10-60	data for all points 10-60
OR	
<u>PRInt POI</u> nts *	
PRI POI *	data for all points stored in the Gpk file
DELETING STORED POINTS	
FORMAT A	
DELete POInts pa (pb, pc, pk)	
DEL POI 10, 20, 40 and 60	deletes points 10, 20, 40 and 60

## FORMAT B

DELete POInts pa thru pk

DEL POI 10 THRU 50

deletes points 10 thru 50

# FORMAT C

DELete POInts pa-pk

**DEL POI 10-60** 

deletes all points 10 thru 60

DEL POI \*

command\*\* not supported, would delete all points stored in the Gpk file

# **\*\* NOTE: IF YOU COULD USE THIS COMMAND YOU START OVER!!!!**

# LIST STORED POINTS

# FORMAT A

LISt POInts pa (pb, pc, pk)

LIS POI 10, 20, 40 and 60

list points 10, 20, 40 and 60

FORMAT B

LISt POInts pa thru pk

LIS POI 10 THRU 50

list points 10 thru 50

FORMAT C	
<u>LIS</u> t <u>POI</u> nts <i>pa-pk</i>	
LIS POI 10-60	list all points 10-6
OR	
<u>LIS</u> t <u>POI</u> nts *	list for all store points
LIS POI *	
OR	
LIS POI ABC <sup>*</sup>	list all point with prefix ABC
LIS POI <sup>*</sup> ABC	list all points with suffix ABC

# **STORE POINT BY EQUATE**

<u>EQuate POINT number TO</u> (<u>PREVIOUSILY STORED POINT OR INTRINSIC</u> <u>VALUE</u>\*)

EQ 22 TO 10

OR

EQ 22 TO PC CUR C2

\*INTRINSIC VALUE means an unassigned internally computed point inside the .gpk file

Refer to <u>GEOPAK Manual, Volume I, Chapter 6</u> <u>page 6-13</u>, for a full list of fields and further details.





USE <u>FORMATS A AND B</u> TO STORE EACH OF THE FOLLOWING POINTS.

Point 10 is located N 481208.1307 E 687892.7730 with a station of 10+00.00

Point 20 is located 1293.2114' from 10 with a bearing of N 16 52 32.01 E

Point 30 is located 1964.4258' from 20 with a bearing of N 11 02 28.01 W

Point 40 is located S 04 34 00.00 W at a distance of 2394.32' from 30

The coordinates for point 50 are N 488831.2969 E 686484.7546. Locate point 70 from 50 using a distance of 2401.77' and a bearing of N 30 26 00.00 W.

Using a distance of 1185.389m and a bearing of S 39 04 29.99 E locate point 60 from point 10.

Point 11 is offset 7 feet <u>to the left</u> of point 10 (*Note: pa to pb supports a distance and/or bearing value*)

# WRITE THE COMMANDS TO:

Equate point 100 to any one of the previously stored points (your choice)

Equate point 101 to the PT of curve 75

List all stored points

List all points stored with the prefix ZZZ

List all points stored with the suffix RRR

Print the data for points 20, 100, 11 and 70

**Delete points 1-8** 

Delete all the points in the Gpk file.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION on STORE and LOCATE refer to the <u>GEOPAK manual, Part II Coordinate Geometry, Chapter 6, Point Commands and</u> <u>Chapter 12, Locate Commands</u>

# Instruction for Part Two Curves

It is important that the information be read. The exercises in this part are based on the information that it contains.

#### WRITE OUT ALL SYNTAX LINES

- 1. All problems are to be answered by writing out the lines of syntax. You are not to use the machine GEOPAK.
- 2. The exercises (1 through 5) on sheets 19 & 20 require that you write line(s) of syntax for stored points before you write the syntax lines for the curve. For each exercise, you are to provide the required number of syntax options or combinations for the curve. Points need only be stored one time each exercise.
- 3. Exercise 4 you can use intrinsic values\* to write at least four (4) lines of curve syntax.
- 4. Finish up with the exercises on sheet 22

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#### **CURVE COMMANDS**



# **COMMAND LINE SYNTAX**

[1] <u>STO</u>re <u>CURve name</u> [2] <u>Back Tangent Reference</u> [3] <u>Element</u> [4A or 4B] <u>Ahead Tangent Reference</u> [5] (<u>STA</u>tion <u>Station Label station</u>)

- [1] The "name" is a one to nine character alphanumeric identification of the curve to be stored. Such as: C1, C2, C222, ABC123, etc.
- [2] Back Tangent Reference defines the direction and length of the tangent starting the curve.
- [3] Element defines the actual curve itself.
- [4] Ahead Tangent Reference defines the direction and length of the tangent ending the curve.
- [5] Station Label attaches a station to the curve if needed.

# [1] STOre CURve name

# **STO CUR C222**

# [2] Back Tangent Reference

Use <u>ONE</u> of the options to define the Back Tangent . Remember: *px, pb, pa,* etc. are previously stored points.

**OPTION 1:** 

The point of curvature (PC) and direction back (DB) defines tangent.

PC px DB direction

PC 22 DB N 11 02 28.01 E

**OPTION 2:** 

The point of intersection (PI) and direction back (DB) defines tangent.

<u>PI pd</u> <u>DB</u> direction

PI 30 DB N 11 02 28.01 E

**OPTION 3:** 

The beginning point for the back tangent (PB), direction back (DB) and the back tangent length (TL) defines tangent.

PB pa DB direction TL distance

PB 10 DB N 11 02 28.01 E TL 648.1345

**OPTION 4:** 

The beginning point for the back tangent (PB), direction back (DB) and the length from (PB) to (PI), also known as the Total Tangent Length (TTL), defines tangent.

<u>PB pa</u> <u>DB</u> direction <u>TTL distance</u>

PB 20 DB N 11 02 28.01 E TTL 1964.4258

# **OPTION 5:**

The beginning point for the back tangent (PB) and the point of intersection (PI) defines tangent.

<u>PB</u> pa PI pb

PB 20 PI 30

[3] <u>Element</u>

Use <u>ONE</u> of the options to define the element.

**OPTION 1:** 

Use the radius to define the element.

RADius radius

RAD 11459.1559

**OPTION 2:** 

The degree of curve defines the element.

**<u>DEG</u>**ree <u>angle</u> (arc deflection)

DEG 00000

**OPTION 3:** 

The length of the tangent from (PC) to (PI) if the radius or degree is not known.

Tangent distance

T 187.236

# **OPTION 4:**

The arc length of the curve from (PC) to (PT) if the radius or degree is not known.

Length distance

L 1294.8893

**OPTION 5:** 

Point on curve.

<u>POC</u> px

POC 74

# [4B] Ahead Tangent Reference

Use <u>ONE</u> of the options to define the ahead tangent reference.

**OPTION 1:** 

The ahead tangent is defined by (DA) direction from (PI) to (PT)

**DA** direction

DA N 04 34 00.00 W

**OPTION 2:** 

A point on the forward tangent (PA) defines the tangent ahead.

This OPTION can be used ONLY with OPTIONS 2, 4, and 5 of the <u>Back Tangent</u> <u>Reference.</u>

<u>PA</u> <u>pe</u>

PA 40

#### **OPTION 3:**

The tangent ahead can be defined by the Deflection angle (DEF) and the tangent's direction using either (P) clockwise or (M) counterclockwise. Note that the direction is needed before the angle. If a direction is not given (P) will be assumed.

(<u>P</u> / <u>M</u>) <u>DEF</u>lection <u>angle</u>

P DEF 06 28 28.01

#### **OPTION 4:**

The tangent ahead can be defined by using the direction of the Deflection angle (P/M) and the length of the tangent (T) between the (PI) and the (PC). This OPTION can only be used when the radius or degree is used as the Element. If a direction is not given (P) will be assumed.

(<u>P</u> / <u>M</u>) <u>Tangent distance</u>

P T 648.1345

**OPTION 5:** 

The tangent ahead can be defined by using the direction of the Deflection angle (P/M) and the arc length of the curve (L) between the (PC) and the (PT). This OPTION can only be used when the radius or degree is used as the Element. If a direction is not given (P) will be assumed

 $(\underline{\mathbf{P}} / \underline{\mathbf{M}})$  <u>L</u>ength <u>distance</u>

P L 1294.8893

### **OPTION 6:**

The tangent ahead can be defined by using the direction of the Deflection angle (P/M) and the chord length of the curve (LC) between the (PC) and the (PT). This OPTION can only be used when the radius or degree is used as the Element. If a direction is not given (P) will be assumed

(<u>P</u> / <u>M</u>) <u>LC distance</u> P LC 1294.2005

**OPTION 7:** 

The tangent ahead can be defined by using the direction of the Deflection angle (P/M) and the external distance (EX). This OPTION can only be used when the radius or degree is used as the Element. If a direction is not given (P) will be assumed. See curve diagram for help.

(<u>P</u>/<u>M</u>) <u>EXT</u>ernal <u>distance</u>

P EXT 18.2855

EXERCISE: <u>write out the input files to store the curves, this includes commands</u> for storing points

**1.** Store Curve C2 - try the various combinations of command line syntax OPTIONS to store this curve (there are more than six combinations that will work)

Curve C2			
P. I. Station =	6+48.13	N 484373.7238	E 687891.9708
Delta =	6^28'28.01	" RT	
Tangent =	648.1345		
Length =	1294.8893		
Radius =	11459.1559		
External =	18.3147		
Long Chord =	1294.2005		
Mid. Ord. =	18.2855		
PC Station =	00+00.00	N 483737.5863	E 688016.0972
Back =	N 11^02'28	8.01" W	
Ahead =	N 04^34'00	).00" W	

2. Store Curve C4 Use six combinations of appropriate OPTIONS. You are very restricted by the information given.
Curve C4
Point 40 is the beginning of the back tangent.
Point 50 is the point of intersection
5^00'00" is the degree of curve
The radius of the curve is 1145.9156'
69^39'39.99" to the right is the deflection angle
The tangent length is 795.0733'
Point 60 is a point on the tangent ahead

3. Store these	e curves. (there are at least 4 ways to store curve L1)
Curve L1	
P. I. =	N 966039.7097 E 1265551.3080
Delta =	13^ 25' 25.70" LT
External =	4.9424
Radius =	716.1970
Degree =	8^ 00' 00.00"
Length =	167.7975
Back =	N 3^ 16' 08.51" W

4. This should be fun	
Curve LREV6	
P. I. Station = 44+16.06 N 968893.4473 E 1264343.4736	point 102
C. C. * = N 969207.5446 E 1264922.8936	pt 104
P. C. Station = 42+45.47 N 968769.6305 E 1264460.8154	pt 101
P. T. Station = 45+78.81 N 969059.3472 E 1264303.7631	pt 103
P.O.C. = N 968889.6001 E 1264371.3537	pt 105

5. Store this cu	rve using Options 4,5, & 6 of the Ahead Tangent Reference
Curve DW1	
Tangent =	23.4623
Radius =	150.00
Degree =	38^ 11' 49.87"
Delta =	17^ 46' 47.42" RT
<b>P.I.</b> =	N 966903.3282 E 1265227.77098
Length =	46.5475
<b>P.T.</b> =	N 966924.9149 E 1265236.9630
Long Chord =	46.3610
Ahead =	N 23^ 03' 54.75" E

\* center of curve

# PRINTING DATA FROM STORED CURVES

FORMAT A	
<u>PR</u> Int <u>CUR</u> ve <u>name</u>	
PRI CUR 20	data for curve 20
FORMAT B	
PRInt ALL CURVES	
<u>I M</u> itt <u>AEE</u> <u>COR</u> VCS	
PRI ALL CUR	data for all curves in Gpk file
FORMAT C	
<u>PRI</u> nt <u>CURve</u> *	
PRI CUR *	data for all curves in Gpk file
DELETING STORED CURVES	
FORMAT A	
<u>DEL</u> ete <u>CUR</u> ve <u>list</u>	
DEL CUR 35	deletes curve 35
FORMAT B	
<u>DEL</u> ete <u>CUR</u> ve *	
DEL CUR *	<u>command* not supported</u> by GEOPAK

must delete by name

# LIST STORED CURVES

FORMAT A

LISt CURve

LIS CUR

lists all curves in the Gpk file

# WRITE THE COMMANDS TO:

List all stored curves.

Print all curves in the Gpk file.

Print curve DW1.

Print all curves in the Gpk file with Lrev prefix.

Print all curves in the Gpk file with a 1 suffix.

Delete all curves in the Gpk file.

# Instruction for Part Three Spirals

It is important that the information be read. The exercises in this part are based on the information that it contains.

#### WRITE OUT ALL SYNTAX LINES

- 1. All problems are to be answered by writing out the lines of syntax. You are not to use the machine GEOPAK.
- 2. The exercises (beginning on sheets 38) require that you write line(s) of syntax for stored point(s) before you write the syntax line for the spiral. For each exercise, you are to provide the spiral type and the format you used based on the information provided in the examples.
- 3. A special note should be taken, refer to sheet 31 intrinsic values\*
- 4. Finish up with the exercise (on sheet 43), which will form an alignment input file from the data given. For point 10 you may assume 10000,10000. Special attention should be taken to address the questions asked.

Your written solutions can be mailed or faxed to Glenn Plott in Roadway Design CADD Support for evaluation. Your solutions will be evaluated and returned to you with suggestions for correcting any mistakes if any. You will then be advised to go to the next unit.

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# +SPIRAL COMMANDS

This group of store commands stores spiral curves from a tangent to a circular curve define by a degree of curvature or a radius (FORMATS A &B) <u>NOTE: When the spiral turns to the left from the tangent, a negative length of spiral is entered</u>.

# COMMAND LINE SYNTAX FOR TYPE-1 SPIRALS

FORMAT A. Spiral name, type 1, stored by way of DB (direction back), TS (tangent-spiral point), LS (length of spiral) and DEG (degree of curvature at the end of the spiral).



[1] <u>STORE SPIRAL name</u> [2] <u>DB direction</u> [3] <u>TS pa</u> [4] <u>LS length</u> [5] <u>DEGREE angle</u> [6] (<u>sta-label station</u>) [7] (<u>CHORD</u>)

S SPI S13B DB N 16 52 32.01 E TS 15 LS 300 DEG 3 00 TS 16+89.21

FORMAT B. Spiral name, type 1, stored by way of DB (direction back), TS (tangent-spiral point), LS (length of spiral), R (radius of curvature at the end of the spiral)



[1] <u>STORE SPIRAL name</u> [2] <u>DB direction</u> [3] <u>TS pa</u> [4] <u>LS length</u> [5] <u>R radius</u> [6] (<u>sta-label station</u>) [7] (<u>CHORD</u>)

S SPI S13B DB N 16 52 32.01 E TS 15 LS 300 R 1637.0223

FORMAT C. Spiral name, type 1, stored by way of DB (direction back), TS (tangent-spiral point), LS (length of spiral), and DA (direction ahead at the end of the spiral)



[1] <u>STORE SPIRAL name</u> [2] <u>DB direction</u> [3] <u>TS pa</u> [4] <u>LS length</u> [5] <u>DA direction</u> [6] (<u>sta-label station</u>) [7] (<u>CHORD</u>)

S SPI S13B DB N 16 52 32.01 E TS 15 LS 300 DA N 11 02 28.01 W

FORMAT D. Spiral name, type 1, stored by way of DB (direction back), TS (tangent-spiral point), LS (length of spiral), and ANG (spiral angle).



[1] <u>STORE SPIRAL name</u> [2] <u>DB direction</u> [3] <u>TS pa</u> [4] <u>LS length</u> [5] <u>ANG angle</u> [6] (<u>sta-label station</u>) [7] (<u>CHORD</u>)

S SPI S13B DB N 16 52 32.01 E TS 15 LS 300 ANG 7 00 00.00 LT

NOTE: IF there is a previously store point or curve the DB can be defined:

DB 10 15(stored point 10 to stored point 15)OrDB PI CUR C1 PC CUR CI(from PI of curve C1 to the PC of curve C1)

# COMMAND LINE SYNTAX FOR TYPE-2 SPIRALS

This group of <u>Store Spiral</u> commands stores spiral curves from a circular curve to a tangent. The circular curve is defined by a degree of curvature or a radius (FORMATS A2 &B2)

**<u>NOTE:</u>** When the spiral turnes to the left from the tangent, a negative length of spiral is entered.

FORMAT A2. Spiral name, type 2, stored by way of DA (direction ahead), ST (spiral-tangent point), LS (length of spiral and DEG (degree of curvature)



[1] <u>STORE SPIRAL name</u> [2] <u>DA direction</u> [3] <u>ST pa</u> [4] <u>LS length</u> [5] <u>DEGREE angle</u> [6] (<u>sta-label station</u>) [7] (<u>CHORD</u>)

S SPI S13A DA N 05 47 28.01 W ST 16 LS 300 DEG 3 00 STA 28+36.83

FORMAT B2. Spiral name, type 2, stored by way of DA (direction ahead), ST (spiral-tangent point), LS (length of spiral and DEG (degree of curvature)



[1] <u>STORE SPIRAL name</u> [2] <u>DA direction</u> [3] <u>ST pa</u> [4] <u>LS length</u> [5] <u>R radius</u> [6] (<u>sta-label station</u>) [7] (<u>CHORD</u>)

#### S SPI S13A DA N 16 52 32.01 E ST 15 LS 300 R 1637.0223

FORMAT C2. Spiral name, type 2, stored by way of DA (direction ahead), ST (spiral-tangent point), LS (length of spiral), and ANG spiral angle (clockwise)



[1] <u>STORE SPIRAL name</u> [2] <u>DA direction</u> [3] <u>ST pa</u> [4] <u>LS length</u> [5] ANG angle [6] (<u>sta-label station</u>) [7] (<u>CHORD</u>)

S SPI S13A DA N 16 52 32.01 ST 15 LS 300 ANG 5 15 LT

FORMAT D2. Spiral name, type 2, stored by way of CS (curve-spiral point), DB (direction back), LS (length of spiral) and DEG angle



[1] <u>STORE SPIRAL name</u> [2] CS pb [3] <u>DB direction</u> [4] <u>LS length</u> [5] <u>DEGREE angle</u> [6] (<u>sta-label station</u>) [7] (<u>CHORD</u>)

S SPI S13A CS 14 DB N 09 52 32.01 E LS -300 DEG 3 30

FORMAT E2. Spiral name, type 2, stored by way of CS (curve-spiral point), DB (direction back), LS (length of spiral) and R radius



[1] <u>STORE SPIRAL name</u> [2] <u>CS</u> pb [3] <u>DB direction</u> [4] <u>LS length</u> [5] <u>R radius</u> [6] (<u>sta-label station</u>) [7] (<u>CHORD</u>)

S SPI S13A CS 14 DB N 09 52 32.01 E LS -300 R 1637.022

FORMAT F2. Spiral name, type 2, stored by way of CS (curve-spiral point), DB (direction back), LS (length of spiral) and DA (direction ahead)



[1] <u>STORE SPIRAL name</u> [2] <u>CS</u> pb [3] <u>DB direction</u> [4] <u>LS length</u> [5] <u>DA direction</u> [6] (<u>sta-label station</u>) [7] (<u>CHORD</u>)

S SPI S13A CS 14 DB N 09 52 32.01 E LS -300 DA N 05 47 28.01 W

FORMAT G2. Spiral name, type 2, stored by way of <u>CS</u> (curve-spiral point), DB (direction back), LS (length of spiral) and DEG angle



[1] <u>STORE SPIRAL name</u> [2] <u>CS</u> pb [3] <u>DB direction</u> [4] <u>LS length</u> [5] <u>ANGLE angle [6] (sta-label station</u>) [7] (<u>CHORD</u>)

S SPI S13A CS 14 DB N 09 52 32.01 E LS 300 ANG - 5 15 00.00


### **STORE SPIRAL TYPE 3** This group of STORE SPIRAL commands stores spiral curves from a flatter curve (DI) to s sharper curve (D2). <u>NOTE: When the spiral turnes to the left from the</u> <u>tangent of the flatter curve to the tangent of the sharper curve, a negative length of</u> <u>spiral is entered</u>.

## COMMAND LINE SYNTAX FOR TYPE-3A SPIRALS. <u>Format A3</u> requires the centers of two curves(C1 and C2)

FORMAT A3. Spiral name, type 3, stored by way of D1 (degree of curvature of the flatter curve), LS (length of spiral), D2 (degree of curvature of the sharper curve, C1 (center point of the flatter curve, and C2 (center point of the sharper curve).



[1] STORE SPIRAL name[2] D1 angle[3] LS length[4] D2 angle[5] C1 pa C2 pb[6] (sta-label station)[7] (CHORD)

S SPI C4B DI 16 52 00.00 LS 300 D2 54 30 29.99 C1 30 C2 40 CS 16+89.21

## COMMAND LINE SYNTAX FOR TYPE-3B and TYPE-3C SPIRALS. When the centers are unknown Formats B3 and C3 are used.

FORMAT B3. Spiral name, type 3, stored by way of D1 (degree of curvature of the flatter curve), LS (length of spiral), D2 (degree of curvature of the sharper curve, C1 (center point of the flatter curve, and C2 (center point of the sharper curve).



[1] <u>STORE SPIRAL name</u> [2] <u>D1 angle</u> [3] <u>CS pa</u> [4] <u>DB direction</u> [5] <u>LS length</u> [6[ <u>D2 angle</u> [7] (<u>sta-label station</u>) [8] (<u>CHORD</u>)

S SPI C4B DI 16 52 00.00 CS 28 DB N 30 26 00.00 W LS 300 D2 54 30 29.99

FORMAT C3. Spiral name, type 3, stored by way of D1 (degree of curvature of the flatter curve), LS (length of spiral), D2 (degree of curvature of the sharper curve, C1 (center point of the flatter curve, and C2 (center point of the sharper curve).

[1] <u>STORE SPIRAL name</u> [2] <u>D1 angle</u> [3] <u>CS pa</u> [4] <u>DB direction</u> [5] <u>LS length</u> [6] <u>DA direction</u> [7] (<u>sta-label station</u>) [8] (<u>CHORD</u>)



S SPI C4B DI 16 52 00.00 CS N 487005.8122 E 687548.0832 DB N 30 26 00.00 W LS -300 DA N 39 04 29.99 E

**R1 - COMMAND LINE SYNTAX FOR TYPE-3D THRU TYPE-3F SPIRALS.** <u>Formats D3 thru 3F apply when radius R1 and R2 are given.</u>

FROMAT 3D. Spiral name, type 3 stored by way of R1 (radius of the flatter curve), LS (length of spiral), R2 (radius of sharper curve), C1 (center point of flatter curve) and C2 (center point of sharper curve).



[1] STORE SPIRAL name
[2] R1 radius
[3] CS pb
[4] LS length
[5] R2 radius
[6] C1 pa
[7] (sta-label station)
[8] (CHORD)

S SPI C4B R1 1909.8593 CS 42 LS -300 LS -300 R2 1145.9156 C1 33 C2 43

FROMAT 3E. Spiral name, type 3, stored by way of R1 (radius of flatter curve) CS (curve-spiral point), DB (direction back), LS (length of spiral), and R2 (radius of sharper curve).



[1] STORE SPIRAL name
[2] R1 radius
[3] CS pa
[4] DB direction
[5] LS length
[6] R2 radius
[7] (sta-label station)
[8] (CHORD)

S SPI C4B R1 1909.8593 CS 28 DB N 30 26 00.00 W LS 300 R2 1145.9156

FROMAT 3F. Spiral name, type 3, stored by way of R1 (radius of flatter curve), CS (curve-spiral point), DB (direction back), LS (length of spiral and DA (direction ahead).



[1] <u>STORE SPIRAL name</u> [2] <u>R1 angle</u> [3] <u>CS pa</u> [4] <u>DB direction</u> [5] <u>LS length</u>
[6] <u>DA direction</u> [7] (<u>sta-label station</u>) [8] (<u>CHORD</u>)

S SPI C4B R1 1909.8593 CS 28 DB N 30 26 00.00 W LS -300 DA N 05 47 28.01 W

<u>COMMAND LINE SYNTAX FOR TYPE-4 SPIRALS</u>. This group of Store Spiral commands stores spiral curves from a sharper curve (D2) to a flatter curve (D1).

FORMAT 4A: <u>This requires the stored center of two curves (C1 and C2).</u> Spiral name, type 4, stored by way of D2 (degree of curvature of the sharper curve), LS (length of spiral), D1 (degree of curvature of flatter curve), C2 (centerpoint of sharper curve) and C1 (center point of flatter curve). <u>Use FORMAT 4D to replace</u> <u>degree with radius.</u>



[1] <u>STORE SPIRAL name</u> [2] <u>D2 angle</u> [3] <u>LS length</u> [4] <u>D1 angle</u> [5] <u>C2 pa</u> [6] <u>C1 pb</u> [7] (<u>sta-label station</u>) [8] (<u>CHORD</u>)

S SPI C4B D2 54 30 39.99 LS 300 D1 16 52 00.00 C2 40 C1 30 CS 16+89.21

FORMAT 4B. Spiral name, type 4, stored by way of D2 (degree of curvature of sharper curve), CS (curve-spiral point), DB (direction back), LS (length of spiral), and D1 (degree of curvature of the flatter curve). <u>Use FORMAT 4E. to replace degree with radius.</u>



[1] <u>STORE SPIRAL name</u> [2] <u>D2 angle</u> [3] <u>CS pa</u> [4] <u>DB direction</u> [5] LS <u>length</u> [6] <u>D1 angle</u> [7] (<u>sta-label station</u>) [8] (<u>CHORD</u>)

S SPI C4B D2 54 30 29.99 CS 28 DB N 30 26 00.00 LS -300 DI 16 52 00.00 CS 16+89.21

FROMAT 4C. Spiral name, type 4, stored by way of D2 (degree curvature of the sharper curve, CS (curve-spiral point), DB (direction back), LS (length of spiral), and DA (direction ahead).



1] <u>STORE SPIRAL name</u> [2] <u>D2 angle</u> [3] <u>CS pa</u> [4] <u>DB direction</u> [5] LS <u>length</u> [6] <u>DA direction</u>

S SPI C4B D2 54 30 29.99 CS 32 DB N 30 26 00.00 W LS -300 DA N 39 04 29.99 E

<u>OR</u>

S SPI C4B D2 54 30 29.99 CS N 487005.8122 E 687548.0832 DB N 30 26 00.00 W LS -300 DA N 39 04 29.99 E

## FORMAT 4D: [1] <u>STORE SPIRAL name</u> [2] <u>R2 radius</u> [3] <u>LS length</u> [4] <u>R1 radius</u> [5] <u>C2 pb</u> [6] <u>C1 pa</u>

## FORMAT 4E: 1] <u>S</u>TORE <u>SPI</u>RAL <u>name</u> [2] <u>R2 radius</u> [3] <u>CS pa</u> [4] <u>DB direction</u> [5 <u>LS length</u> [6] <u>R1 radius</u>

Spiral Exercises give type and write a command lines for the for examples

What type is it and which format did you use?

- 1. Given for spiral S1: TYPE? FORMAT? Back Tangent or DB is N 40 25 33.00 E (TS to PIs) TS is stored point 100 N 526687.7617 E 743185.9021 Sta 0+00 LS 400 DEG 4 The spiral angle is 8 00 (RT)
- 2. Given for spiral S2: TYPE? FORMAT? Length of spiral 300.00 Back tangent CS to PIs (DB S 10 27 45.00 E) The curve to the spiral point (STACS) is N 527324.7289 E 742514.4865 Sta 30+00 point 104 Radius is 900.00 The spiral point of intersection is N 527226.1306 E 742532.6939 (105) Ahead tangent ST is N 527025.8643 E 742535.6861 (106) (overkill with information choose wisely)
- 3. Given for spiral S3 TYPE? FORMAT? Degree of incoming curve C4 is 1 00 00.00 Degree of outgoing curve C5 is 4 00 00.00 Length of spiral is 250 Length of curve is 249.8731 Curve to the spiral is point 115 at N 526712.4057 E 743786.6620 Sta 20+00 Spiral to curve is point 116 at N 526481.5528 E 742691.0402 Sta 22+50 Back tangent (PI of curve C4 to PIs of spiral S3) is S 20 00 00.00 W

Back tangent (PI of curve C4 to PIs of spiral S3) is S 20 00 00.00 W Angle 60 15 00 (RT) DEF 20 29 59.55 LT 150.1194 ST 100.1110 Ahead tangent (PIs of spiral to PI of curve C5) S 26 15 00.00 W 4. given for spiral S4 TYPE? FORMAT? D1 is 4 46 28.73 D2 is 7 09 43.10 LS 300 R1 1200.00 R2 800.00 Back tangent S 50 00 00.00 W Ahead tangent S 32 05 42.25 W CS N 528177.8725 E 741649.2919 Sta 50+00 (point 120)

## SPIRAL-CURVE-SPIRAL COMMANDS

Store Spiral-Curve-Spiral Commands create and store three geometric elements: back-spiral, circular curve, and ahead spiral. <u>The following naming convention is</u> <u>used in the output</u>

<b>Back Spiral:</b>	<i>name</i> with a <i>B</i> appended
Curve:	name
Ahead Spiral:	name with an A appended

#### FORMAT:

[1] STORE SCS name [2] back tangent [3] LS length [4] element [5] ahead tangent

[2] The <u>BACK TANGENT</u> defined by one of 5 options: OPTION 1. Back tangent defined by point of intersection PISCS and direction

PI pa DB direction

**OPTION 2. Back tangent defined by point back PB and point of intersection PISCS** 

<u>PB pa</u> <u>PI pb</u>

**OPTION 3.** Back tangent defined by tangent-spiral point TS and direction back DB.

PB pb DB direction

**OPTION 4.** Back tangent defined by point back PB, direction back DB, distance TL from point back PB to tangent-spiral point TS.

PB pa DB direction TL distance

**OPTION 5.** Back tangent is defined by point back PB, direction back DB and distance TTL from point back PB to point of intersection PISCS

PB pa DB direction TTL distance

## [3] <u>LENGTH OF SPIRAL (LS)</u> (3 OPTIONS) <u>OPTION 1</u>. Back spiral and ahead spiral at equal lengths.

LS length

LS 300

**<u>OPTION 2</u>**. For unequal spirals.

<u>LS1 length</u> (back spiral length LS1) <u>LS2 length</u> (ahead spiral length LS2)

LS1 300 LS2 400

[4]. ELEMENT

RADIUS <u>radius</u> or <u>DEG</u>REE <u>angle</u> R 1164.456 Or DEG 34 64 35.2

### [5] TANGENT AHEAD (4 OPTIONS) OPTION 1. Ahead tangent is defined by the DA direction ahead

<u>DA</u> <u>direction</u> DA N 32 25 48.7 E

**OPTION 2.** Ahead tangent define by point ahead PA

<u>PA *pa*</u> PA 40

**OPTION 3.** Ahead tangent defined by delta angle to right

<u>DEL</u> <u>angle (RT)</u> DEL 32 34 36.5

**OPTION 4.** Ahead tangent is defined by delta angle to left

<u>DEL angle (LT)</u> DEL 25 28 22 LT

## **ADDITIONAL SPIRAL COMMANDS**

<u>**PRINT SPIRAL</u>** name. This command displays the spiral point values, coordinates and stations, and spiral element values.</u>

<u>LIST SPIRALS</u>. This command will display names of all stored spirals in alphabetical order.

<u>SPIRAL DATA.</u> This command will calculate the geometric parameters for the named spiral given the length LS, [A] radius of spiral R1 and R2, or [B] degree of curvature D1 and D2.

FORMAT A SPIRAL name R1 radius LS length R2 radius







#### SP1 S4B D1 10 27 19.56 LS 250 D2 20 27 46



#### EXERCISE FOR STORING SPIRAL-CURVE SPIRAL (SCS) WRITE COMMANDS TO SHOW ALL SPIRALS

ASSUMME STORED POINTS 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, and 60 Point 10 is begin point Point 60 is end point

#### WRITE STORE COMMANDS USING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION

Points 20, 30, 40, 50 are points of intersection (PI)				
10 to 20	distance 1293.2114	direction N 16 52 32.01 E		
20 to 30	distance 1964.4258	direction N 11 02 28.01 W		
30 to 40	distance 2394.3203	direction N 04 34 00.00 W		
40 to 50	distance 2401.7722	direction N 30 26 00.00 W		
50 to 60	distance 1185.3892	direction N 39 04 29.99 E		

at 20 store (name=C1) a spiral-curve-spiral with back spiral 400 left, ahead spiral 300 left, degree 3 30, radius 1637.0223 and a total delta of 27 55 00.01

at 30 store (name=C2) a curve with radius 1637.0223 degree of curvature 0 30

at 40 store (name=C3) a spiral-curve-spiral with length of spiral 300, degree of curve 3 00, radius 1909.8593, spiral delta 4 30, and curve delta 16 52 00.00 left

At point of intersection 50, store (name=C4) a spiral curve spiral with length of spirals 300 right, and spiral delta 7 30, degree of curve 5 00, radius at 1145.9156, and curve delta 54 30 29.99 right.

#### If the SCS STORED at 40 is called C3 WRITE THE COMMAND TO STORE ONLY THE INGOING SPIRAL DATA

The reference to the <u>GEOPAK manual, Part II, coordinate Geometry, Spiral</u> <u>Commands, Section 8</u>

## Instruction for Part Four Chain and Alignment Commands

It is important that the information be read. The exercises in this part are based on the information that it contains.

#### WRITE OUT ALL SYNTAX LINES beginning sheet 44

- 1. All problems are to be answered by writing out the lines of syntax. You are not to use the machine GEOPAK.
- 2. The exercise for chains and alignments require that you write line(s) of syntax for stored points before you write the syntax lines Two (2) OPEN alignment exercise sheet 51 Two (2) INCOMPLETE alignment exercises sheet 58 One (1) INVERSE alignment exercise sheet 63 Final exercise is to write a complete alignment input file for line Y40, sheet 64. Feel free to use any syntax line(s) you have learned
- 3. A special note should be take of sheets 11 & 31, intrinsic values\*

Your written solutions can be mailed or faxed to Glenn Plott in Roadway Design CADD Support for evaluation. Your solutions will be evaluated and returned to you with suggestions for correcting any mistakes if any. If you are waiting for a test schedule, please advise.

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## CHAIN COMMANDS

This section will build on the previous sections to make a "chain" of the stored points, curves and spirals. The really fun part is an investigation and explanation of the different ways to "store chain" using this previously stored data and how to "Describe" a chain to see if the alignment gives the desired result.

Included here also is a discussion of storing an <u>open alignment</u> (an alignment with everything known). Then how to print and list stored chains.

**STORE CHAIN COMMAND LINE SYNTAX** Where the NAME consist of one to nine alphanumeric characters chain which represents a list of stored points (POI), curves (CUR) and spirals (SPI), SCS curves (SCS) and other chains. SPECIAL NOTE: The shift command in the middle of page 9-5.

<u>Store CHA</u>in <u>name list (STA</u>tion <u>station</u>) S CHA L 10 SCS C1 CUR C2 SCS C3 SCS C4 60 STA 10+00.00

The following is a sequence of line commands to station a shift (LT & RT) alignment with equations from a main alignment S CHA SBL 1 SCS S10 SHIFT 4 9 10 SHIFT 11 SCS S11 13 STA CHA SBL BEG 480+00 1 AH STA CHA SBL BEG 548+46,58 4 AH STA CHA SBL BEG STA 580+86.34 11 AH

**<u>DESCRIBE CHAIN COMMAND LINE SYNTAX.</u>** The describe chain command gives a report of the stored chain and describes its geometry including coordinates, stations, distances, bearings, curves, and spiral data.

<u>DES</u>cribe <u>CHA</u>in DES CHA SBL

## **ADDITIONAL CHAIN COMMANDS:**

**PRINT CHAIN.** This command displays a list of elements stored for the specified name (where name is the stored chain to be printed).

<u>PRI</u>nt <u>CHA</u>in <u>name</u> PRI CHA Y1

STATION CHAIN. Where name is the stored chain, station is the initial station to start and object is the element to which the element is applied

<u>STA</u>tion <u>CHA</u>in <u>name</u> <u>BEG</u>in <u>station</u> <u>object</u> (AH) (BK) STA CHA NC125 BEG 542+21.96 4 AH STA CHA Y6REV BEG 10+00.00 20 BK

## **OPEN ALIGNMENT**

This section will investigate Open Alignment (alignment where every thing is known) and Incomplete alignment (alignments with something unknown); and how to store a station equation or two.

<u>OPEN ALIGNMENT COMMAND</u>. The open alignment command is the first statement required to generate a new chain or alignment name and activates the open alignment grope of commands.

<u>ALIgnment name OPEN</u> ALI L1REV OPEN

### **INITIAL POINT (POT) COMMAND FOR OPEN ALIGNMENT** The

initial point command represents the starting point of the new alignment or chain name. There is an optional station command which if not used will start at 0+00.00

FORMAT A:

<u>POT pa</u> <u>TD direction</u> (<u>STA</u>tion <u>station</u>) POT 10 TD N 16 52 32 E STA 24+25.36 where <u>*pa*</u> is a previously stored point

FORMAT B:POT nN northingE eastingTD direction(STATION station)POT 100N 76531.66E 2094824.90TD N 16 52 32ESTA 12+00.04

<u>POT n X easting Y northing TD direction</u> (<u>STATION station</u>) POT 100 X 2094824.66 Y 76531.66 TD N 16 52 32 E STA 12+00.04

## **INTERMEDIATE POT COMMAND FOR OPEN ALIGNMENT**

The INTERMEDIATE POINT commands represents an intermediate point *pi* on the open alignment calculated by the distance TL distance and the forward direction from the previous element. <u>In Format B the direction TL distance is modified by the optional (P/M (DEF) angle).</u>

FORMAT A <u>POT</u> *pi* <u>TL</u> distance

The point pi is calculated By its TL distance measured from the previous PT and the direction given from the previous element.



#### FORMAT B

The point *pi* is calculated by its TL distance measured from the previous POT and the direction defined via backsight direction plus clockwise angle (P angle)

POT pi (P/M (DEF) angle) TL distance



Or the point pi is calculated by its TL distance measured from the previous PT and the direction defined via backsight direction plus clockwise angle (P angle)



<u>CURVE COMMAND FOR OPEN ALIGNMENT</u>. The curve command creates a new curve name defined by the given data and is linked to the previous element in the chain. There are four FORMATS for curve data.

**FORMAT A**: The back tangent distance TL, a radius or degree of curve and the (P / M) deflection angle DEF, defines the curve name.

<u>CURve name TL distance</u> [R <u>radius OR D degree</u>] (P / M) <u>DEF</u>LECTION <u>angle</u> CUR C1 TL 0 R 1909.8593 M DEF 20 05 08.2 CUR C1 TL 0 D 3 00 M DEF 20 05 08.2

Note: TL can be zero if the PC is at the stored point.

<u>FORMAT B:</u> The curve name is defined by the back tangent distance TL, degree of curve DEG, and minus deflection angle (M DEF angle). The TL is defined via back sight direction to the previous element plus clockwise angle (DB P angle). For further information, refer to drawing on page 9-43, of the manual.

<u>CURve name</u> <u>DB (P/M) DEF</u>lection <u>angle</u> <u>TL distance</u> <u>Radius radius</u> (<u>P/M) DEF</u>lection <u>angle</u>



<u>FORMAT C:</u> The curve name id defined by the back tangent distance defined by way of forward direction from the previous element plus deflection angle (DB P DEF angle). For information, refer to drawing on page 9-43 of the manual.

<u>CURve name</u> <u>DB</u> (P/M) <u>DEF</u>lection <u>angle</u> <u>TL</u> <u>distance</u> <u>R</u>adius <u>radius</u> (P/M) <u>DEF</u>lection <u>angle</u>



<u>SPIRAL COMMAND FOR OPEN ALIGNMENT</u> The spiral name commands create a new spiral name defined by the given data. The spiral is then linked to the previous elements of the chain. There are two formats for storing spirals. FORMAT A: TYPE 2 is the Ahead spiral; FORMAT B: TYPE 1 is the Back spiral. Refer to drawing pages 9-44 & 45.

FORMAT A: The back tangent TL, and length of spiral LS, degree DEG of spiral, value TYP value define the spiral name. The direction of TL distance is defined by way of <u>forward direction</u> of previous data (like PI of curve to CS of curve)

SPI ral nameTL distanceLS length(Degree angleTYPe value)SPI S1TL 92.67LS 300D 2 30TYP 1(in spiral)SPI S2TL 0LS 300D 2 30TYP 2(out spiral)Format A



#### Format B

The back tangent TL and the length of spiral LS define the spiral name. The Direction of TL distance is defined via forward direction of previous data.



The spiral name is defined by the back tangent TL and the length of spiral LS the direction of TL distance is defined via the backsight direction to the previous element plus the clockwise angle (DB P angle).

FORMAT B: Optional Degree and Type. The back tangent TL and the length of the spiral LS define the spiral name. The direction of TL distance is defined by way of the back sight direction to the previous element plus the clock the clock angle DB P angle.

<u>SPI</u>ral <u>name</u> <u>DB</u> (<u>P/M</u>) (<u>DEF</u>lection) <u>angle</u> <u>TL</u> <u>distance</u> <u>LS length</u> (<u>Degree angle</u> <u>TYPe value</u>)

SPI S3	DB 34 45 59	TL 118.87	LS 400 D 2 30 TYP 1	(in spiral)
SPI S3	DB	TL 0	LS 400 D 2 30 TYP 2	(out spiral)

Format A



The back tangent TL, The length of the spiral LS defines the spiral name, the Degree of curvature and type. The direction of TL distance is defined via forward direction of previous data.

Format B



The back tangent TL, the length of the spiral LS defines the spiral name, the Degree of curvature and Type. The direction of the TL distance is defined via the backsight direction to the previous element plus clockwise angle (P angle).

## ENDING POT COMMAND FOR OPEN ALIGNMENT The

Ending POT command represents the terminal point of the open alignment calculated by its distance TL distance and the forward direction from the previous element.

FORMAT A: the point pa is calculated by TL distance measured from the previous PT and direction is defined by way of forward direction from the previous element.

<u>POT *pa*</u> ((<u>P/M</u> (<u>DEF</u>) <u>angle</u>) <u>TL</u> distance POT 200 TL 1022.98

<u>POT pi</u> <u>N</u> northing <u>E</u> easting (<u>P/M</u> (<u>DEF</u>) angle) <u>TL</u> distance POT 200 N 311485.8014 E 2127353.5442 TL 1002.9800



FORMAT B: the point pi is calculated by TL distance measured from the previous PT and direction is defined by way of forward direction from the previous element

<u>POT *pa*</u> <u>TL distance</u> <u>TD direction</u> POT 200 TL 1022.98 n 67 29 22 w



**END ALI COMMAND FOR OPEN ALIGNMENT** The end alignment statement is the last statement required in an alignment.

<u>END</u> <u>ALIgnment</u> (<u>name</u>) (<u>DES</u>cribe) END ALI SURVEY DES

#### EXERCISES WRITE OPEN ALIGNMENTS FOR THE FOLLOWING

EXERCISE 1 use spiral types ALIGNMENT "HWY49" POINT 100 IS N 311046.263 E 2117853.186 THE DISTANCE TO THE SPIRAL IS 3133.8718 N 39 34 53 E SPIRAL NAME IS S11 AND THE LENGTH IS 500 THERE IS A CURVE C12 AT THE END OF THE SPIRAL WITH A DEG OF 2 30 THE DELTA IS 94 31 15 LT THE ENDING SPIRAL S13 LENGTH IS 500 THE ENDING POINT 200 IS 800 FROM THE END OF THE SPIRAL (ST) AT N 67 26 22 W

EXERCISE 2 same as exercise 1 without using spiral types, assume 10000,10000 on point 166



The reference is made to the GEOPAK manual, Part II Coordinate Geometry, Chain Commands, Section 9 and to GEOPAK online Help.

## **INCOMPLETE ALIGNMENT**

An incomplete alignment is a chain or alignment with missing elements. The incomplete alignment set of commands permits a chain or alignment to be defined with certain unknowns.

The Incomplete Alignment commands solve the unknown parts of the given alignment, define and store each curve and POT, and generate and store the new chain name. The initial points must be known or redefined by its new coordinates.

One or two unknown distances One or two unknown directions One, two, or three unknown angles One or two unknown radii (One unknown distance, one unknown direction, one unknown angle or radius)

The program *solves* for the unknowns, to a <u>maximum of three</u> unknowns, *defines* the incomplete (unknown) elements and stores the chain. <u>NOTE: THREE UNKNOWN DISTANCES IS NOT SUPPORTED</u>

#### **Command Incomplete Alignment structure**

ALI name INC	opening command to activate the incomplete alignment	
Initial POT command	only required for the initial point	
Intermediate POT command	required for each POT (other than initial point)	
CURve command	required for each curve	
SPIral command	required for each spiral	
Ending POT	represents the terminal point of incomplete alignment	
END ALIgnment command	closing command to start calculation of the missing element(s) and generate new chain	

<u>INCOMPLETE ALIGNMENT COMMAND.</u> The Alignment Name Incomplete command is the first statement and activates the incomplete alignment group of commands.

<u>ALIg</u>ment <u>name</u> <u>INC</u>omplete ALI L1REV OPEN

## **INITIAL POINT (POT) COMMAND FOR INCOMPLETE**

<u>ALIGNMENT</u>. The initial point command represents the starting point of the new alignment or chain name. There is an optional station command, which if not used will start at 0+00.00

<u>FORMAT A</u>: <u>POT pa</u> <u>TD direction</u> (<u>STA</u>tion <u>station</u>) POT 10 TD N 16 52 32 E STA 24+25.36

where <u>*pa*</u> is a previously stored point

 FORMAT B:

 <u>POT n</u>
 <u>N northing E easting TD distance</u> (<u>STA</u>TION <u>station</u>)

 POT 100
 N 76531.66
 E 2094824.90
 TD N 16 52 32
 E
 STA 12+00.04

<u>POT n X easting Y northing</u> TD <u>distance</u> (<u>STA</u>TION <u>station</u>) POT 100 X 2094824.66 Y 76531.66 TD N 16 52 32 E STA 12+00.04

<u>CURVE COMMAND FOR INCOMPLETE ALIGNMENT</u>. The curve command creates a new curve name defined by a minimum of three data types: TL (back tangent length), R radius of curvature and (P/M) DEFlection angle (plus or minus the external angle of deflection). The given data and is linked to the previous element in the chain. There are four FORMATS for curve data.

<u>FORMAT A</u>: The back tangent distance (TL), a radius of curve (R) and the (P / M) deflection angle (P DEF angle), defines the curve name. (The direction of the TL is defined by the forward direction of the previous data.)

<u>CURve name TL distance R radius (P / M) DEFLECTION angle</u> CUR C1 TL 350 R 1909.8593 P DEF 20 05 08.2 CUR C1 TL 0 R 1909.8593 P DEF 20 05 08.2

Note: TL can be zero if the PC is at the initial point.



<u>FORMAT B:</u> The curve name is defined by the "backsight direction" of the TL to the previous element plus or minus clockwise angle (\*DB P angle). The ahead tangent direction is defined by radius of curvature (R), plus or minus deflection angle (\*M DEF angle). \*See drawing

<u>CUR</u>ve <u>name</u> <u>DB</u> (P/M) <u>angle</u> <u>TL distance</u> <u>RADIUS radius</u> (P/M) <u>DEF</u>lection <u>angle</u> CUR C1 DB P 210 00 00 TL 350.00 R 1909.8593 M DEF 20 05 08.2



<u>FORMAT C:</u> The curve name is defined by the "forward direction of the TL distance" from the previous element, plus or minus deflection angle (DB P angle angle\*). The tangent ahead of the TL is defined by radius of curvature and plus or minus deflection angle (M DEF angle\*). \*See drawing

<u>CURve name</u> <u>DB</u> (P/M) <u>DEF</u>lection <u>angle</u> <u>TL</u> <u>distance</u> <u>R</u>adius <u>radius</u> (P/M) <u>DEF</u>lection <u>angle</u>

CUR C13 DB P DEF 37 25 30 TL 157.35 R 1525 M DEF 52 35 28



**INTERMEDIATE POT COMMAND FOR INCOMPLETE ALIGNMENT**. The **POT command represents an intermediate point** *pi* **on the incomplete alignment. It is calculated by its distance (TL distance) and forward direction from the previous element.** 

FORMAT A: the *pi* is calculated by its "TL distance", measured from the previous *PT*, and the direction given from the previous element.

<u>POT *pi* TL distance</u> POT 40 TL 340.22



FORMAT B: The pi is calculated by its "TL distance", measured from the previous POT while the direction is defined by way of the backsight direction plus or minus clockwise angle.

```
        POT pi
        (P / M) (DEF) angle
        TL distance

        POT 40
        P DEF 67 34 25
        TL 178.48

        POT 40
        67 34 25
        TL 178.48
```



<u>SPIRAL COMMANDS FOR INCOMPLETE ALIGNMENT</u>. The Spiral commands create a new spiral name defined by a minimum of two data types: TL (back tangent length) and LS (length of Spiral. The new spiral is linked to the previous element in the chain to set its position in the alignment.

<u>SPI</u>ral <u>name</u> <u>TL distance LS length</u> SPI S16 TL 0 LS 300





**ENDING POT COMMAND FOR INCOMPLETE ALIGNMENT.** The Ending POT command represents the terminal point of the incomplete alignment and must be a point already stored *pa* or redefined by its coordinates N northing E easting.

**<u>FORMAT A</u>**: The point *pa* is already stored, TL distance measured from the previous PT and the TD direction is the forward direction from the previous element.

POT pa(P / M (DEF) angle)TL distanceTD directionPOT 53TL 435.28TD ?POT 53TL ?TD PI SPI S16 ST SPI S16



the direction is defined as the PI of a spiral to the ST of the spiral (also curve PI to curve PT)

**FORMAT B:** The ending point is redefined by its coordinates N northing E easting, TL distance measured from the previous POT, and TD direction is defined by the backsight direction to a previous element plus or minus clockwise angle (\*P angle).

<u>POT *pi*</u> <u>N northing</u> <u>E easting</u> (<u>P / M</u> (<u>DEF</u>) <u>angle</u>) <u>TL distance</u> <u>TD</u> direction POT 56 N 967352.1710 E 2399059.2480 TL ? TD ?



END INCOMPLETE ALIGNMENT COMMAND AND DESCRIBE CHAIN. The End Alignment command initiates the calculation process of the new chain name computes unknowns, stores curves, POT's and chain, then deactivates the incomplete alignment definition. Format C describes the chain name as stored.

<u>FORMAT A</u>: <u>END ALI</u>gnment

<u>FORMAT B</u>: <u>END ALI</u>gnment name

<u>FORMAT C</u>: <u>END ALIgnment name DES</u>cribe

#### WRITE COMMAND LINES FOR THE INCOMPLETE ALIGNMENTS FOR THE EXAMPLES SHOWN EXAMPLE 3



**EXAMPLE 4** 



## **INVERSE ALIGNMENT**

The Inverse Alignment command creates and stores a new chain name where the coordinates of POT's and PI's are known, and one given element of a circular curve may be inserted between to tangents. The direction of these tangents may be adjusted to an even value of minutes or seconds.

## **INVERSE ALIGNMENT STRUCTURE**

ALI name INV	opening command to activate the inverse alignment
POT command	required for each POT
CURve command	required for each curve
END ALIgnment command	closing command to initiate the calculation process and generate the new chain "name by orderly linking the given elements

<u>ALI name INV for INVERSE ALIGNMENT.</u> The ALI name INV command activates the inverse alignment group of commands and is the first statement required to generate the new 'chain name'. (ROU value SEC) or (ROU value MIN) defines the rounding to be applied to the directions of the given tangent between POT's or PI's.

FORMAT A: POT's and curve PI's remain unchanged during the calculation



**FORMAT B or C**: The directions of the tangents are adjusted to the nearest even value of minutes or seconds, and POT's and PI's are redefined (first POT, *p1* is

unchanged).



FORMAT B OR C <u>ALI</u>gnment name <u>INV</u>erse <u>round value</u> <u>SEC</u>ond <u>ALI</u>gnment <u>name INV</u>erse <u>round value</u> <u>MIN</u>utes

<u>POT COMMAND FOR INVERSE ALIGNMENT</u>. The POT commands define the starting and ending point of the new alignment or chain name, as well as any intermediate intersection point without a circular curve.

**FORMAT A: PI's** *p1*, *p2*, and *p3* defined by point already stored

<u>POT pa</u> (<u>FIX</u>) (<u>STA</u>tion<u>station</u>) POT 10 STA 10+00.00

this is the default command

**FORMAT B:** POT *pi* is redefined with it coordinates N northing E easting. Coordinated may be adjusted when the ROUND option is present.

<u>POT pi</u> <u>N northing E easting</u> (<u>FIX</u>) (<u>STAtion station</u>) POT 20 N 967352.1710 E 2399059.2480 this is the default command

#### **Optional 'FIX"**

**FORMAT A:** POT's p1, p2, and p3 are defined by points already stored. *The coordinates are fixed when the ROUND option is present.* 

<u>POT pa</u> (<u>FIX</u>) POT 10 FIX STA 10+00.00



**FORMAT B**: POT *pi* is redefined with it coordinates N northing E easting. Coordinated are fixed when the ROUND option is present.



<u>CURVE NAME COMMAND FOR INVERSE ALIGNMENT</u> The Curve Name command defines a new curve 'name" at *PI pa* by inserting an arc between the two tangents with a radius given or derived from *angle Degree* or *distance Length*.

FORMAT A: The curve Name is defined with the degree of curvature D angle inserted between the two tangents at previous stored PI *pa*.



<u>FORMAT B:</u> The curve name is defined with the arc L distance inserted between the two tangents at previously stored PI pa. *XY coordinates can also be utilized if the GEOPAK user preferences are set to XY*. This <u>PI</u> may be adjusted when the ROUND option is used and FIX is not used.



<u>FORMAT C:</u> The curve name is defined with the radius of curvature R distance inserted between the two tangents at previously stored PI pa. This PI may be adjusted when the ROUND option is present and FIX is not given.



FORMAT D: The curve name is defined with the degree of curvature D angle inserted between the two tangents at PI redefined with its new coordinates N northing, E easting. This PI may be adjusted when the ROUND option is pres3ent and FIX is not given.



FORMAT E: The curve name is defined with the length of the arc L distance inserted between the two tangents at PI redefined with its new coordinates N northing E easting. This PI may be adjusted when the ROUND option is present and FIX is not given.



FORMAT F: The curve name is defined with the radius of curvature R distance inserted between the two tangents at PI redefined with its new coordinates N northing e easting. This PI may be adjusted when the ROUND option is present and FIX is not given.



END ALIGNMENT COMMAND FOR ALIGNMENT. The END ALI command initiates the calculation process of the new chain name with or without rounding, stored curves, POT's and chain and deactivates the inverse alignment definition. Format C also describes the chain name as stored.

FORMAT A: <u>END</u> <u>ALIgnment</u>

FORMAT B: <u>END</u> <u>ALIgnment name</u>

FORMAT C: <u>END ALIgnment name DES</u>cribe

#### **EXERCISE 5: WRITE ALIGNMENT FOR THIS CHAIN Y3**





## **COGO Intrinsic Precision**

There is a very small section of the GEOPAK manual, which is often overlooked. Yet prudent usage of the features documented there add significantly to the power and flexibility of GEOPAK COGO. Although they are covered in the <u>Beginning GEOPAK Course</u>, they are covered here in more detail. Since the concepts here are somewhat complex, they must be practiced in order to be learned well enough to use them regularly.

The word "slot" used in the following context refers to pieces of the COGO command. For example a locate command

LOCATE n (TRAVERSE) pa (DISTANCE) distance direction (OFFSET offset)

The words and letters in lower case represent user-supplied values. <u>*n*</u> and <u>*pa*</u> are points, the <u>distance</u>, <u>direction</u>, and <u>offset</u> are real numbers. As you will see shortly, you can fill in these values by referring to other points. So when you use an integer number to refer to <u>*pa*</u>, the integer goes in that "slot".

## **Referring to Bearings or Distance from Previously Stored Points**

If two or more points are already stored in the .gpk file, you may name a bearing or distance by referring to these pre-existing points. For example, you know that point 2 lies N 32 57 18.32 E from point 1 at a distance of 273.110. If you want to locate point 3 from point 2 at that same bearing. You could enter

## LOC 3 2 100.00 N 32 57 18.32 e

It would be simpler, though, to enter the bearing by referring to the existing point:

### LOC 3 2 100.00 1 to 2

In this example, the text "1 to 2" is interpreted by GEOPAK as the bearing from 1 to 2 because it is the bearing "slot".

If you put the "1 to 2" statement in the distance "slot" of the command, it will be interpreted as a distance.

## LOC 4 3 1 to 2 s 80 w

"1 to 2" in this line would be interpreted as a distance of 273.110

# LOC 4 3 1 to 2 1 to 2

"1 to 2" in this line would be interpreted as a distance in that "slot" and bearing in that "slot"

## Arithmetic in Bearings and Distances

You can put arithmetic in the bearing and the distance "slot". Although you can multiply and divide, the most useful forms for us are the P for plus and M for minus. Since GEOPAK is free form notation, you can use arithmetic to modify regular bearing notations such as

## N 17 56 01.12 w m 90

This equals

### S 72 03 58.88 w

Or you can combine the point to point method with arithmetic. If for example, the bearing from point 11 to 43 equals N 45 E then

11 to 43 p 10 is interpreted by GEOPAK as N 55 E.

## Naming Points for Curves and Spirals

GEOPAK curve elements and GEOPAK spiral elements each has "intrinsic value points", which are stored in the .gpk file each time one of these elements is stored. For example, every curve has a PI. By virtue of the fact that the PI has a northing and easting, it is a point. (*The same is true for the point of curve PC, the point of tangent PT, every point on the curve POC, the center of the curve or radius point CC.*) This means you can use a PI (or any other intrinsic point) in the same way as you use other points. The great advantage of this is that these points automatically change when the element they define change. This can be a time saver if you are in the process of developing an alignment.

At the time of this writing of this course outline, intrinsic point reference is not in the GEOPAK manual. Here is a list of intrinsic points and syntax for curves.

<u>Intrinsic Point</u>	<u>Syntax</u>
Curve PI	PI name
Curve PC	PC name
Curve PT	PT name
Curve Center	CC name
Spiral TS	TS name
Spiral SC	SC name
Spiral CS	CS name
Spiral ST	ST name
Spiral PI	PIS name
#### **COORDINATE GEOMETRY CONCEPTS**

The items in the syntax column are what go into the point "slot" in any GEOPAK command. For example, one could say

## LOC 12 from 5 DIS 53.001 s 17 26 w

Where 5 is in the *pa* "slot". If the need were there, you could then write

### LOC 12 PT YC2 53.001 s 17 26 w

in which (PT y2C2) is now in the *pa* "slot".

The statement, locate point 12 at a distance of 53.001 units, from PT of curve Y2C2 at a bearing of S 17 26 W. if the location of curve Y2C2 changes at a later time for some reason, point 12 does not automatically follow it. The command must be re-read. However, after the re-reading takes place the relationship is restored.

### Putting It All Together

Taken separately, the two topics of "arithmetic in Bearings and Distances" and "Naming Points from Curves and Spirals" are rather limited. However, when the two are used in conjunction with each other, their power and utility become evident.

Here is how it works. Point to point syntax used in a Bearing (or Distance) "slot" as {<u>pa</u> to <u>pb</u>}. As we learned, intrinsic can be put into point "slots". So to refer to the "direction ahead" bearing on a pre-existing curve (named LC3), you can say "PI LC3 TO PT LC3". To refer to the long chord distance of curve RBC1, enter "PC RBC1 TO PT RBC1" in a command's distance "slot".

Below is a list of curve and spiral components and the syntax to use at the COGO command line.

<u>Command</u>	<u>Syntax</u>
Curve back tangent	PC name TO PI name
Curve Ahead Tangent	PI name TO PT name
Line from PC to Curve Center	CC name TO CC name
Line from Curve Center to PC	CC name TO PC name
Type I Spiral Long Tangent	TS name TO PIS name
Type I Spiral Short Tangent	PIS name TO SC name
Type II Spiral Short Tangent	CS name TO PIS name
Type II Spiral Long Tangent	PIS name TO ST name

A simple example – one form of the curve command is as follows

STO CUR name PC pa DB direction R radius P/M DEF delta

#### **COORDINATE GEOMETRY CONCEPTS**

Let us say you are building an alignment and you already have curve RCC1 stored. You now want to store RCC2 with a PRC from RCC1. From other design decisions, R = 150 and Delta = 11 degrees and 30 minutes right. In order to utilize the COGO Intrinsic Precision techniques here you could store RCC2 with the statement.

# STO CUR RCC2 PC PT RCC1 DB PI RCC1 TO PT RCC1 R 150 DEF 11 30

Compare this statement with the general form found on page 14 of the curve information. We used Option 1 for the back tangent reference.

An example of intrinsic values to store a curve with only five known points: The PC, PI, PT, a point on the curve, and the radius point.

Stored point 1 is the PC Stored point 2 is the PI Stored point 3 is the PT Stored point 4 is point on the curve Stored point 5 is the radius point

[1]<u>STO</u>re <u>CURve</u> <u>name</u> [2]<u>Back Tangent reference</u> [3]<u>Element</u> [4A or 4B]<u>Ahead Tangent Reference</u> [5]<u>STA</u>tion <u>Station label station</u>

## STO CUR CC3 PC 1 DB 1 TO 2 RAD 1 TO 5 DA 2 TO 3 STA 4+00

THE BACK TANGENT IS DEFINE PC 1 DB PC TO PI "1 TO 2" RADIUS IS FROM PC TO THE CENTER OF THE CURVE (CC) "1 TO 5" AND THE AHEAD TANGENT REFERENCE (DA) IS PI TO PT "2 TO 3" OR DA IS POINT AHEAD "PA 3"