



## Applications of Camera Total Station System (CTSS) in the Construction Surveying

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### Abstract:

Engineering structures in general require at implementation conducting engineering surveys of the implementation stages of work to keep up with identical implementation of the technical specifications, on the other hand most of the facilities task (large structures, towers, dams, bridges, etc...) require the conducting of periodic monitoring to determine any change could happen with time in the three-dimension (X,Y,Z).

The traditional approach in this proposal for this business is by conducting a field survey using ground surveying devices in addition to the photogrammetry survey, regardless of the manner of the work requires the provision of a number of well distributed ground control points for the purpose of the above required survey work.

This research includes the application of (CTSS) system for a structural survey above as well as monitoring facilities **disregarding the control points** to provide cost, time and effort. The results using this technique (CTSS) are very promising (RMS in X= ±1.7 mm, Y= ±1.7 mm, Z= ±0.9 mm). which gives an overall precision of (RMS= ±2.6 mm).

**KEYWORDS:** Digital close range photogrammetry; camera TotalStation; control system.

### تطبيقات نظام كاميرا-جهاز المحطة الكاملة (CTSS) في المسح الانشائي

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### الخلاصة

المنشآت الهندسية بشكل عام تتطلب عند التنفيذ إجراء أعمال المسح الهندسي لمراحل تنفيذ العمل لمواكبه مطابقه تنفيذ للمواصفات الفنية، هذا من ناحية ومن ناحية أخرى معظم المنشآت الهندسية المهمة ( المنشآت الضخمة، الأبراج، السدود، الجسور ... الخ ). تتطلب فيها إجراء أعمال مراقبة دورية لتحديد أي تغير قد يحصل في شكل منشأ مع الوقت في البعد الثلاثي ( X,Y,Z).

الأسلوب التقليدي المتبع في هذا المقترح لهذه الأعمال يتم من خلال إجراء مسح ميداني باستخدام أجهزة المسح الأرضي إضافة إلى المسح التصويري وبغض النظر عن الأسلوب المتبع يتطلب العمل توفير عدد لا بأس به من نقاط الضبط الأرضي control points لغرض إجراء أعمال المسح المطلوبة أعلاه.

هذا البحث يتضمن تطبيق منظومة (CTSS) لإجراء المسح الإنشائي أعلاه وكذلك مراقبة المنشآت بالاستغناء عن نقاط السيطرة لتوفير الكلفة والوقت والجهد. أظهرت النتائج لهذه المنظومة دقة عالية للنقاط المحسوبة. وكانت النتائج واعدة جداً ( Z=±0.9 mm, Y=±1.7 mm, X=±1.7 mm ).

**1. INTRODUCTION**

Generally speaking in the construction survey 3D coordinates of a number of certain points are determined which are generally made by two approaches:

- approach one: construction survey can be made through the use of land surveying instruments such as Level, Theodolite and Total Station for the purpose of determining the 3D coordinates of a certain construction points through the use of land surveying instruments requires a number of well-defined and precise (3D)[ horizontal and vertical ground control points(GCP)].

- approach two: construction survey can be done through the use of close range photogrammetric technique simply by taking a minimum of two photos to the construction from two stations.

The precision of processing in this approach depend on the number and distribution of the ground control points.

The advantage of approach two as compared with approach one is time and effort.

This research represent using an approach of Camera Total Station System(CTSS) which represent an integration between approach one and approach two above without the need of specific ground control points in the object space.

Close range photogrammetry offers the possibility of obtaining the three-dimensional (3D) coordinates of an object from two-dimensional (2D) digital images in a rapid, accurate, reliable, flexible and economical way. This makes it an ideal tool for precise industrial measurement [1], [10].

**2. Digital Close Range photogrammetry**

Digital close range photogrammetry is a technique for accurately measuring objects directly from photographs or digital images captured with a camera at close range. Multiple, overlapping images taken from different stations, produces measurements that can be used to create accurate 3D models of objects. [5],[9],[3].

Know a day digital analytical close range photogrammetric projects are generally done through the use of a digital non metric camera through the implantation of the well known collinearity equations [7].

Each point having two collinearity equation, one for the( x) photo coordinate and the other for the (y) photo coordinate [2].

The general form of the collinearity equation for (x,y)in close range photogrammetry having the following general forms: [4].

$$x - x_0 = -c \frac{[m_{11}(X-X_L)+m_{12}(Y-Y_L)+m_{13}(Z-Z_L)]}{[m_{21}(X-X_L)+m_{22}(Y-Y_L)+m_{23}(Z-Z_L)]} = -c \frac{U}{W} \dots(1)$$

$$y - y_0 = -c \frac{[m_{31}(X-X_L)+m_{32}(Y-Y_L)+m_{33}(Z-Z_L)]}{[m_{21}(X-X_L)+m_{22}(Y-Y_L)+m_{23}(Z-Z_L)]} = -c \frac{V}{W} \dots(2)$$

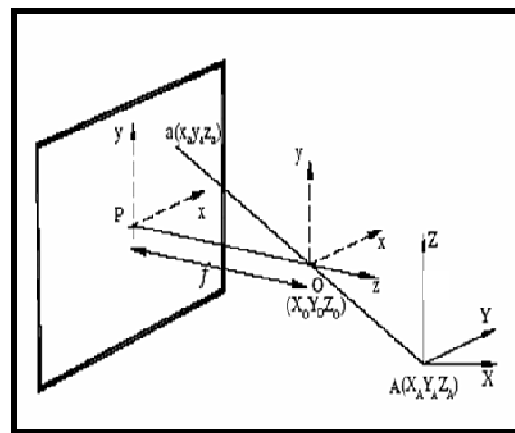
(x,y)....photo coordinates of the point  
**Where**( $x_0, y_0, c$ ) interior orientation parameters (I.O.P)

( $m_{11}, m_{12}, m_{13}, \dots, m_{33}$ )...elements of the rotation matrix which are a function of rotation angles( $\omega, \phi, \kappa$ )**as shown in figure(2)**

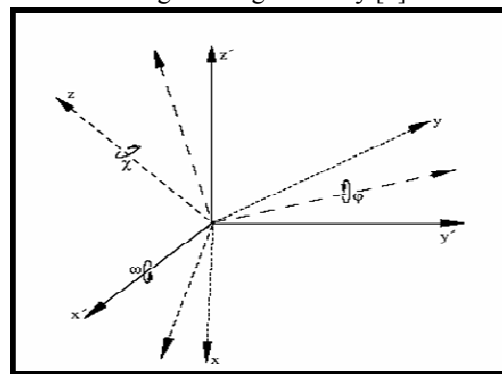
( $X_L, Y_L, Z_L$ )....three dimensional coordinates of the camera station

( $X, Y, Z$ ).....the 3D coordinates of the object points as shown in figure (1)

The parameters involved in the collinearity equation (1&2)above are shown geometrically in figures (1&2): [6].



**Figure 1-** Central Perspective Of Point A In Close Range Photogrammetry [1].



**Figure 2-** Rotation Angles On The Three Axes (X,Y,Z) [1].

**3. Data Processing**

In (CTSS) approach the data processing were done through the use of Leica Photogrammetry Suite (LPS) software, which is mainly consist of camera calibration, resection and the computation of the adjusted 3D coordinates of the required construction points[8].

Furthermore the data processing using the(LPS)software used in this research will be demonstrated numerically in the case study presented in the next section.

**4. Case study**

In this research one story building at the University of Technology are chosen at which a number of well defined points were selected thirteen check points.

Four close range photogrammetric photos were taken to the building from different stations using a digital no metric camera (cannon EOS500D)with 15mega pixel resolution and zoom (18-200)mm as shown below: [11].



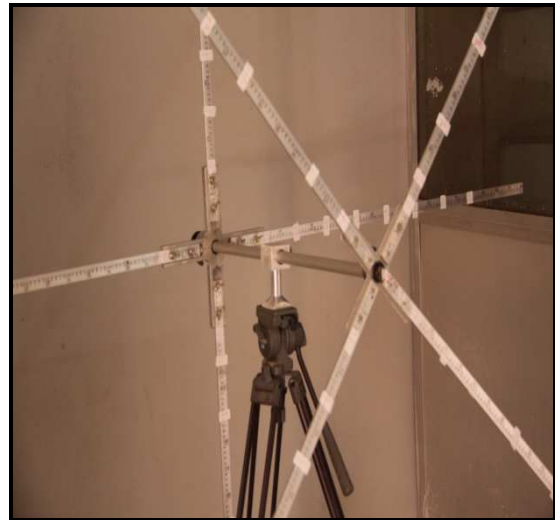
**Figure 3-** Cannon EOS 500D.

**4.1 Case One: for Calibrating the System**

The 3D coordinates of the camera station as well as the control system were determined through the use of the Total Station which connected with the camera as shown in figures below:



**Figure 4-** Leica Total Station System With Cannon Camera.



**Figure 5-** The Control System.



**Figure 6-** The Photos Of The Building With Control System.

The following table represent the 3D coordinates of the control system as well as the check points measured through the use of the Total Station for calibration .

**Table 1-** Measured 3Dcoordinates Of The Control System And The Check Points

ID	Type	X(m)	Y(m)	Z(m)
1	Check	102.485 2	108.095 7	101.79 26
2	Check	101.348 7	109.581 7	102.51 34
3	Check	101.469 6	109.413 4	102.92 97
4	Check	102.851 1	107.611 2	103.86 89
5	Check	103.212 9	107.943 3	103.32 14
6	Check	102.865 2	107.639 5	100.48 23
7	Check	105.091 1	109.680 3	101.47 08
8	Check	107.707 8	112.089 8	103.98 58
9	Check	110.667 4	114.759 6	103.42 64
10	Check	111.577 5	115.036 8	104.54 44
11	Check	110.632 6	114.741 8	100.86 66
12	Check	99.815	111.656	100.51 81
13	Check	99.8062	111.663 4	103.95 54
14	Contro l	103.423 242	107.085 129	101.45 3525
15	Contro l	102.914 932	107.161 046	101.92 9101
16	Contro l	103.635 818	107.036 951	101.46 2857
17	Contro l	104.174 457	106.893 632	102.03 8123
18	Contro l	103.543 919	107.900 951	101.38 7297
19	Contro l	102.864 873	108.058 776	101.45 1273
20	Contro l	103.753 258	107.840 23	102.18 8619
21	Contro l	104.559 073	107.590 201	101.35 7445

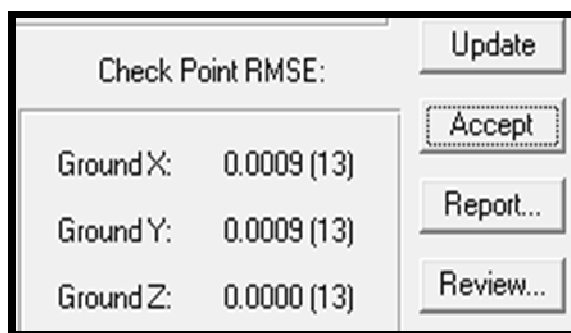
The results of the data processing using (LPS) software are shown in table below:

**Table 2-**The Computed 3Dcoordinates Of The Selected Points Resulted From(LPS)

ID	X(m)	Y(m)	Z(m)
1	104.21114 223365	109.151308 195175	103.260876 70337
2	104.31529 7702779	109.186608 203556	102.173981 359476
3	105.38004 7311624	109.942397 84386	103.362611 980108
4	105.36859 2326922	109.940431 981399	102.125878 344034
5	106.73327 1320095	111.519909 673156	101.546300 638295
6	107.65846 863455	112.058731 909384	100.626824 393022
7	107.51622 3186048	112.218683 727495	101.523443 269619
8	110.26694 4445103	114.779671 857025	102.256117 38405
9	106.07006 7583538	110.569010 098737	103.924783 864559
10	107.52170 3490458	112.242662 672646	104.000085 398541
11	109.42168 4526557	113.637020 470316	100.838551 392426
12	102.82647 2913634	107.021701 787786	104.310747 524577
13	106.04441 6311092	110.583337 45959	100.639432 763663
14	107.98937 2649165	112.338509 048788	102.159242 418453
15	105.22263 3171609	110.035629 960211	102.186735 984646
16	105.21492 3652913	110.022068 539685	103.288111 746162

**Table 3-**the root mean square error(RMSE) of the check points shown in table below:

RMSE X mm	RMSE Y mm	RMSE Z mm
±0.9	±0.9	±0.0



**Figure 6-**The RMSE From LPS Software.

From the result of the data processing using (LPS) software the shift between data required from total station and exposure station coordinate were compute as shown as in table below.

**Table 4-** The Shift Of Between Total Observation And Exterior Orientation Parameters.

Shift X m	Shift Y m	Shift Z m	Shift Omega	Shift Phi	Shift Kappa
0.00	0.00	0.30	5°	Horizontal angle	0.5°

**4.2 Case two:**

The second exposure station coordinates were measured by Total Station and computed shift from case one. Two photos expose and (13) check points measured by the system (CTSS) as shown in figures below:



**Figure 7-** The Photos Of The Building Without The Control System.

The following table represent the 3D coordinates of the check points measured for construction surveying of building .

**Table 5-** measured 3Dcoordinates of the check points

ID	Type	X (m)	Y (m)	Z (m)
1	Check	104.9086	108.2487	101.5586
2	Check	104.378	108.8047	101.6106
3	Check	101.6057	107.5104	102.4222
4	Check	101.6931	107.6887	102.7944
5	Check	102.6422	109.4811	101.8859

6	Check	102.878	109.8901	102.3126
7	Check	100.9019	105.7436	102.959
8	Check	100.9011	105.7466	101.1348
9	Check	103.1928	110.308	104.6151
10	Check	103.1705	110.2205	100.2304
11	Check	105.7449	106.4717	103.097
12	Check	106.1623	105.2575	102.4584
13	check	103.5703	110.0054	103.7844

The result of the data processing using (LPS) software are shown in table below:

**Table 6-**The Computed 3Dcoordinates Of The Selected Points Resulted From(LPS)

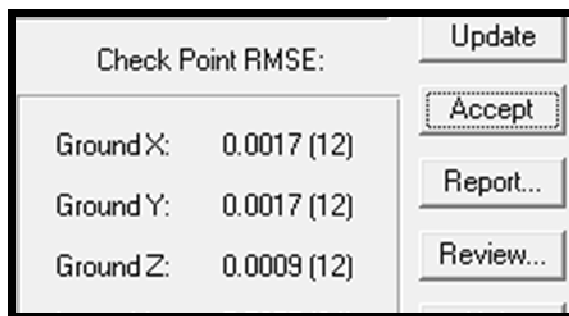
ID	X(m)	Y(m)	Z(m)
1	103.29387230678	111.283719492896	105.733623208594
2	104.307349781964	108.796626348102	103.29176263012
3	104.39292612196	108.762040242926	103.287042247046
4	104.281038229032	108.784224670308	101.299354215087
5	103.853821060845	109.256145751126	101.249005825567
6	104.385907311053	108.746310753714	102.225528288259
7	105.03265938595	108.00785939616	102.114385979773
8	104.887452928514	108.003577335613	102.163051250923
9	105.043538092916	108.004075626015	103.156803767107
10	104.884957538018	108.007962987168	103.082616086162
11	105.611194172734	106.516454720667	103.098090797487
12	106.334854952541	104.939299643423	102.841934318805
13	106.043420023736	105.394782081691	101.97504782046
14	106.02942	105.7165682	101.326013



	3772846	21766	255047
15	106.16229 4942565	105.2808813 17796	101.391065 875987
16	106.18278 848587	105.6491227 0016	101.189086 43079
17	106.02762 3027917	105.7157492 0535	101.215376 24653
18	106.07721 2434478	105.3372031 18624	101.522663 351285
19	105.61911 6695993	106.5366797 4738	101.646097 477778
20	105.42624 5040244	106.9358382 71886	101.644703 735398
21	105.40861 3288571	106.9674291 76018	101.642918 70607
22	105.73414 9601476	106.5064978 31168	101.614134 886435
23	105.52482 3135685	106.7419863 21362	101.111111 504918
24	105.51871 1727749	106.7361754 19536	101.358820 723232
25	105.43564 9207992	106.9500098 09446	101.343344 988798
26	105.43477 0837976	106.9601685 06304	101.078439 859619
27	105.62337 8570501	106.5380897 85565	101.375447 04734
28	105.73420 990997	106.512930 234922	101.112215 426639
29	106.00768 3175119	106.837640 123076	104.587242 78863
30	101.19238 6293881	106.576499 032107	102.611689 40011
31	103.58848 471049	110.002363 26649	103.860725 371573
32	106.19218 0343641	105.136482 302258	102.654847 456032
33	105.95346 0374996	105.734140 500487	102.518372 779424
34	105.87808 1009768	106.127335 752586	102.667893 369218
35	104.60434 1920423	108.406927 283655	102.203405 211325
36	104.63190 8696402	108.339632 35013	103.175976 515469

**Table 7-**The Root Mean Square Error(RMSE) Of The Check Points Shown In Table Below:

RMSE X(mm)	RMSE Y(mm)	RMSE Z (mm)
±1.7	±1.7	±0.9



**Figure 8-**The RMSE From LPS Software.

**5. Conclusion**

❖ The results proved that were obtained through this research the possibility of dispensing provide control points through the use of the system.

❖ Reduction cost, effort and time when you use the Total Station with the camera and dispensing with the control points which usually installed constitute two-thirds of the cost of any engineering project.

❖ The use of photogrammetry substitute for the traditional methods used through the use of ground surveying devices.

❖ The ground coordinates of the building were obtained through photogrammetry and thus can be used in the production of 3D coordinates of the building.

❖ Through this research was to prove the possibility of re-formation of any missing pieces through images.

❖ The results of the program used in photogrammetry were accurate where RMSE was calculated for the (13) check points , Randomly distributed on the building was:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RMSE in } X &= \pm 1.7 \text{ mm} \\ Y &= \pm 1.7 \text{ mm} \\ Z &= \pm 0.9 \text{ mm} \end{aligned}$$

And the total mean square [RMSE]= ±2.6 mm

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