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SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DIPLOMA IN AGRICULTURE

AAD 2403: TECHNICAL DRAWINGS AND SURVEYING

DATE: DECEMBER 2024

TIME: 1½ HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer question *one* and any other *two* questions

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Describe the difference between first-angle and third-angle orthographic projection (4marks)
- b) Distinguish between line of collimation and height of collimation (1 mark)
- c) Explain the concept of triangulation in surveying and its importance in determining distances over large areas (3marks)
- d) What is the primary purpose of a benchmark in surveying (1 mark)
- e) Name the types of contours found in flat and steep surface respectively (2marks)
- f) Giving two examples in each case, differentiate between cumulative and compensating errors (8marks)
- g) Define contouring in surveying. Explain how contour maps are created and their importance in civil engineering projects (2marks)
- h) Discuss the process of surveying (6marks)
- i) Explain three branches of surveying (3marks)

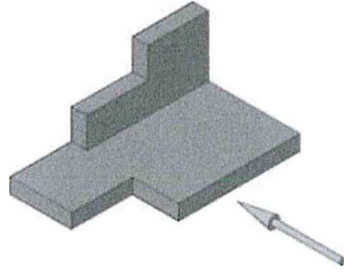
QUESTION TWO (15 MARKS)

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- a) Draw the four principal views of the given object in the first angle projection (10marks)



- b) Discuss the cumulative and compensating errors (5marks)

QUESTION THREE (15 MARKS)

- a) A group of engineers were conducting survey on the leveling of Meru-Isiolo road and found that:

Reading on staff held at Isiolo station was 40.5m

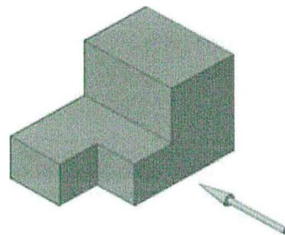
Reduced level of Benchmark was 60.50m

Reading on staff held at Meru station was 24.5m Find:

- (i) Reduced level of Meru station (2mark)
 - (ii) Height of collimation (5mark)
 - (iii) Rise or fall of Isiolo with respect to Meru (2mark)
- b) Using diagrams and illustrations, discuss traversing methods (6marks)

QUESTION FOUR (15 MARKS)

- a) Draw the figure below in the first and third angle projection (9 marks)



- b) Discuss general procedure in making a chain survey (6marks)