

h vs. T departure from a straight line

Assume $\phi \in D$ constant

$$(0) \sin h = \sin \phi \sin D + \cos \phi \cos D \cos T$$

ϕ : Latitude

$$(1) \frac{dh}{dT} = - \frac{\cos \phi \cos D}{\cos h} \sin T$$

D : Declination

T : Local Hour Angle

$$(2) \frac{d^2h}{dT^2} = \tan h \left(\frac{dh}{dT} \right)^2 - \frac{\cos \phi \cos D}{\cos h} \cos T$$


$$(3) \frac{d^3h}{dT^3} = 3 \tan h \frac{d^2h}{dT^2} \frac{dh}{dT} + \left(\frac{dh}{dT} \right)^3 + \frac{\cos \phi \cos D}{\cos h} \sin T \quad \text{note: } \frac{d^3h}{dT^3} = 0 \text{ for } T=0$$

$$(4) \frac{d^4h}{dT^4} = 4 \tan h \frac{d^3h}{dT^3} \frac{dh}{dT} + 6 \frac{d^2h}{dT^2} \left(\frac{dh}{dT} \right)^2 - 3 \tan h \left(\frac{d^2h}{dT^2} \right)^2 + \tan h \left(\frac{dh}{dT} \right)^4 + \frac{\cos \phi \cos D}{\cos h} \cos T$$

$$\Delta h_{\text{rad}} = \frac{dh}{dT} \Delta T_{\text{rad}} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2h}{dT^2} \Delta T_{\text{rad}}^2 + \frac{1}{2 \times 3} \frac{d^3h}{dT^3} \Delta T_{\text{rad}}^3 + \frac{1}{2 \times 3 \times 4} \frac{d^4h}{dT^4} \Delta T_{\text{rad}}^4 + \dots$$

$$\Delta h_{\circ} = \frac{dh}{dT} \Delta T_{\circ} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{d^2h}{dT^2} \right) \frac{\pi}{180} \Delta T_{\circ}^2 + \frac{1}{6} \left(\frac{d^3h}{dT^3} \right) \left(\frac{\pi}{180} \right)^2 \Delta T_{\circ}^3 + \frac{1}{24} \left(\frac{d^4h}{dT^4} \right) \left(\frac{\pi}{180} \right)^3 \Delta T_{\circ}^4 + \dots$$

Excerpt from Nov 1991 Full study

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