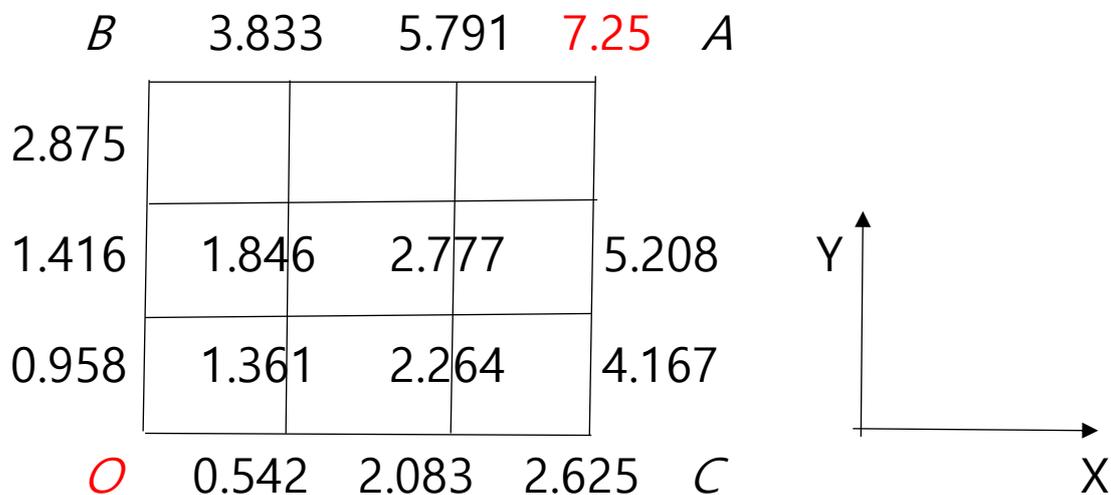


Precision Metrology 15: Flatness Calculation

Thus all the height data are determined, and the height measurement procedures are completed.

The measured height data are;



The flatness is the deviation from the ideal reference plane, and there are 3 reference surfaces; 3 points surface, least squares surface, and the minimum zone surface.

① 3 points surface

Based on the 3 points, the reference plane can be calculated. The 3 points are preferred as the points on

the edge to cover the whole measurement datum.

The reference plane, $Z=aX+bY+C$

The 3 points are chosen as O, A, C points;

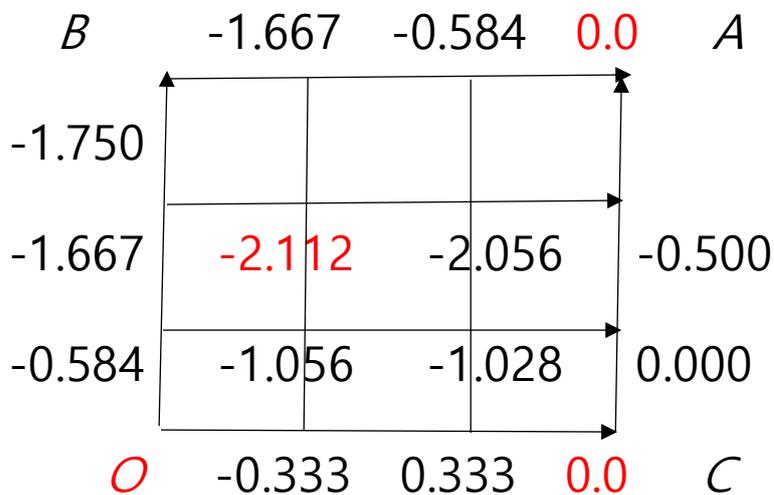
Slope $a= (2.625-0)/0.3=8.75$ [urad]

Slope $b= (7.25-2.625)/0.3=15.417$ [urad]

Offset $C=0$ [um]

Flatness deviation, $h^*=h - (aX+bY+C)$

And Flatness error =max h^* - min h^*



\therefore Flatness error = $0 - (-2.112) = 2.112$ um

in terms of 3 points surface

② Least Squares surface

The perpendicular distance, d , from the surface $Z=aX+bY+c$ to the point $P_i(X_i, Y_i, Z_i)$ is;

$$D_i = | aX_i + bY_i + C - Z_i | / \sqrt{1 + a^2 + b^2}$$

$$\approx | aX_i + bY_i + C - Z_i | \quad (\because a, b \ll 1)$$

The sum of squares of distance, J , is

$$J = \sum (aX_i + bY_i + C - Z_i)^2 \text{ be minimum}$$

$$\partial J / \partial a = 2 \sum (aX_i + bY_i + C - Z_i)(X_i) = 0$$

$$\therefore a \sum X_i^2 + b \sum X_i Y_i + C \sum X_i = \sum Z_i X_i$$

$$\partial J / \partial b = 2 \sum (aX_i + bY_i + C - Z_i)(Y_i) = 0$$

$$\therefore a \sum X_i Y_i + b \sum Y_i^2 + C \sum Y_i = \sum Z_i Y_i$$

$$\partial J / \partial C = 2 \sum (aX_i + bY_i + C - Z_i)(1) = 0$$

$$\therefore a \sum X_i + b \sum Y_i + C \sum 1 = \sum Z_i$$

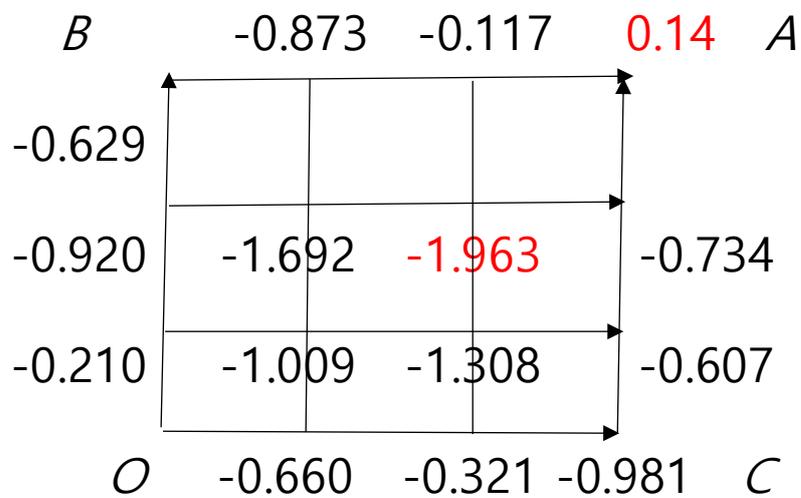
Three unknowns, a, b, c can be calculated by the Gauss Elimination method or other numerical equation solver.

Slope $a = 12.02$ urad, Slope $b = 11.68$ urad

Offset $C=0$ (assigned)

Flatness deviation, $h^*=h - (aX+bY+C)$

Flatness error = $\max h^* - \min h^*$

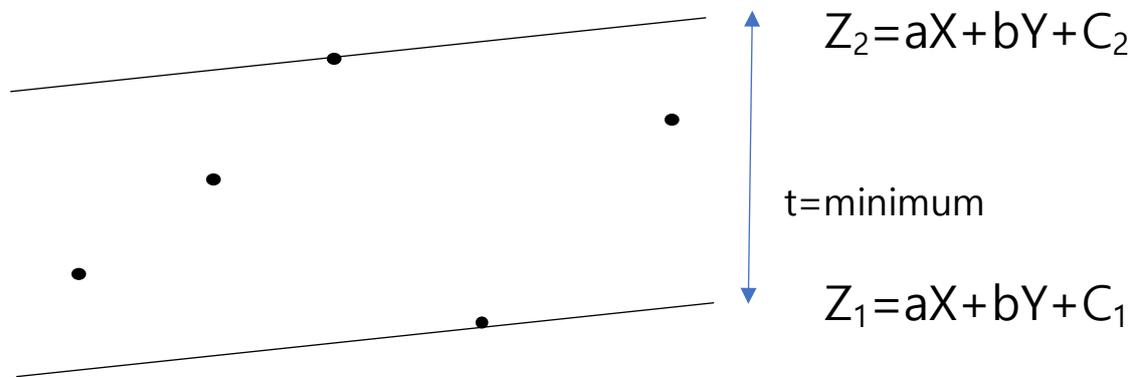


Flatness error = $0.14 - (-1.963) = 2.103$

in terms of the least squares plane

② Minimum Zone Surface

:To find the two parallel planes that gives the minimum distance between the two



Linear Programming such as Simplex Search

Min $C_2 - C_1$

such that $C_1 \leq Z_i - aX_i - bY_i \leq C_2$, that is,

$$aX_i + bY_i + C_1 \leq Z_i$$

$$aX_i + bY_i + C_2 \geq Z_i$$

Let $\mathbf{C}=[a,b,C_2,C_1]$, $\mathbf{X}=[0,0,1,-1]^T$

Min \mathbf{CX}

s.t. $\mathbf{A}_1\mathbf{X}\leq\mathbf{B}$, $\mathbf{A}_2\mathbf{X}\geq\mathbf{B}$

$$\mathbf{A}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 & Y_1 & 0 & 1 \\ X_2 & Y_2 & 0 & 1 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ X_N & Y_N & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} Z_1 \\ Z_2 \\ \dots \\ Z_N \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 & Y_1 & 1 & 0 \\ X_2 & Y_2 & 1 & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ X_N & Y_N & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Alternative geometric solution Enclose Tilt Technique* gives, the surface passing OAB gives the minimum zone surface.

For flatness; 3-1 or 2-2 criterion

For straightness; 2-1 criterion

Thus $a = (7.25 - 3.833) / 0.3 = 11.39$ [urad]

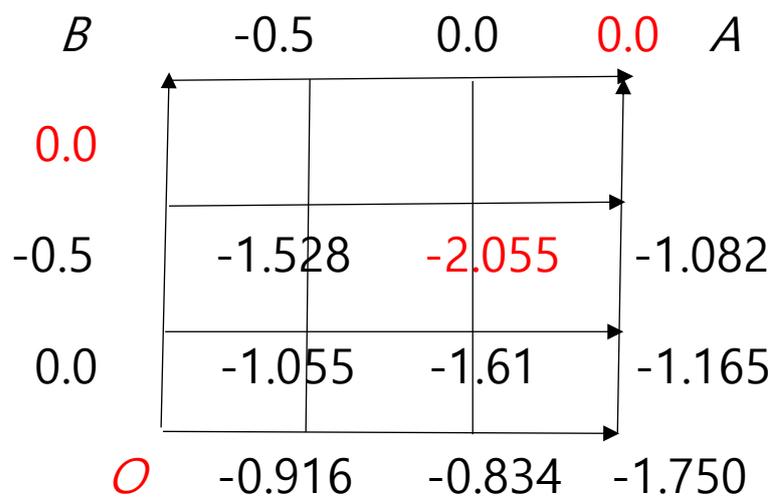
$B = (2.875 - 0) / 0.3 = 9.583$ [urad]

$C = 0$

Thus the flatness deviation is

$$h^* = h - (aX + bY + C)$$

Flatness error = $\max h^* - \min h^*$

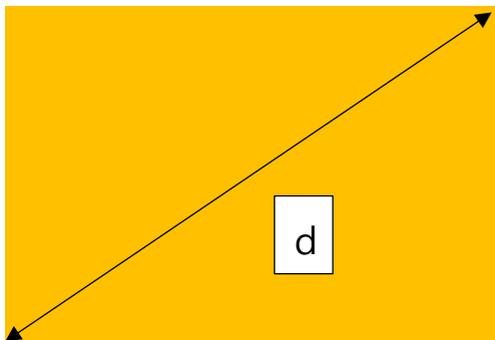


Thus Flatness error= $0.0 - (-2.055) = 2.055$ in terms of the minimum zone surface

*The application of a micro-computer to the on-line calibration of the flatness of engineering surfaces, BURDEKIN, M. & PAHK, H., Proceedings of Institution of Mechanical Engineers, 1989, Vol. 203 B, 127-137

Table Grade

:To grade the surface table according to the Flatness error and the Size



Permitted tolerance, t_0 , for Grade 0 table

$$t_0 = 2.5(1 + d/1000)$$

where d = nominal length of the diagonal in mm rounded up - to the nearest 100mm

t is rounded up-to the nearest 0.5um

Each succeeding grade has the double t of preceding grade, i.e. $t_1=2t_0$, $t_2=2t_1$, $t_3=2t_2$

Ex) 1000mm by 1000mm granite surface plate

$$d=1000\sqrt{2} \approx 1400$$

$$t_0=2.5(1+1400/1000)=6.0 \text{ [um] for Grade 0,}$$

$$t_1=12\text{[um] for Grade 1, } t_2=24\text{[um] for Grade 2, etc.}$$

HW) Given flatness measurement data, write a computer code for the 3 points surface, least squares surface, and the minimum zone surface.