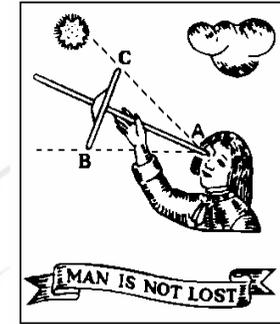




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# *Implementation of the new nomenclature in The Astronomical Almanac*

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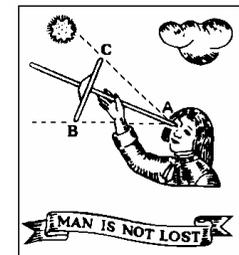
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# This Talk

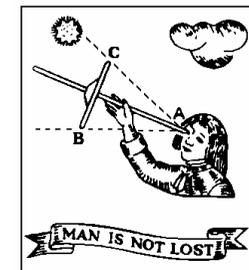
- *The Astronomical Almanac (AsA)*
- Why there are changes to the AsA
- What needed to be done
- Why I've done what I've done
- What the changes actually are



# *The Astronomical Almanac*

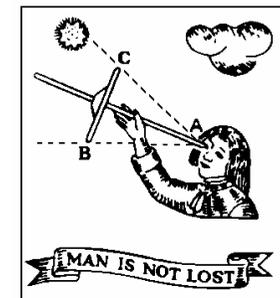
## Joint publication with US Naval Observatory

- Reference product for the year
- Useful to the people who need the information
- Must maintain “standards”
  - Up to date & reliable



## *The Astronomical Almanac*

- Not at the leading edge
  - Not yet a standard; changing quickly
  - Users require continuity
- Not an educational product
- Production process
  - Deadlines, funding, and personnel



# The AsA & The AsA Online

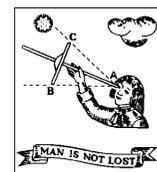
## USNO – sections

- C – Sun
- E – Planets
- F – Satellites\*
- H – Stars
- L – Glossary
- M – Notes & References

## HMNAO – sections

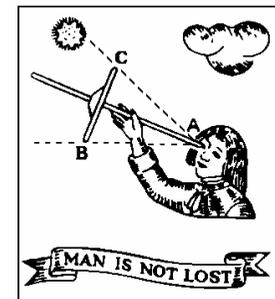
- A – Phenomena
- **B – Times scales & reference systems**
- D – Moon
- G – Minor planets
- K – Reference data

\* Some data provided by BdL



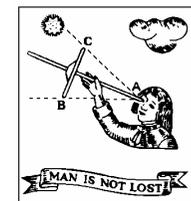
# Implications of IAU 2000 Resolutions

- ICRS & Frame Bias
- IAU 2000 Precession-nutation
- Celestial Intermediate Pole & Origin  $X, Y, s$
- Earth Rotation Angle
- Explanation & Nomenclature
- Software - IAU SOFA
  - Comparisons with NOVAS (GK)



## Section B: Time Scales and Reference Systems

- Tables
  - Earth rotation angle, (ERA – GAST)
  - Celestial intermediate pole & origin:  $X, Y, s$
  - **C** the ICRS to intermediate matrix
- Explanation
  - Celestial Intermediate Reference System
  - Another set of precession angles:  $\chi, \psi, \omega, \varepsilon_0$
  - Use of the CIO Method



## B20 UNIVERSAL TIME AND EARTH ROTATION ANGLE, 2006

Date 0 <sup>h</sup> UT1	Julian Date 245	Earth Rotation Angle			Equation of the Origins		Date 0 <sup>h</sup> UT1	Julian Date 245	Earth Rotation Angle			Equation of the Origins	
		°	'	"	'	"			°	'	"	'	"
Jan. 0	3735.5	99	26	39.6076	– 4	34.6091	Feb. 15	3781.5	144	46	57.0025	– 4	41.9679
1	3736.5	100	25	47.8118	– 4	34.9270	16	3782.5	145	46	05.2067	– 4	41.9872
2	3737.5	101	24	56.0160	– 4	35.2004	17	3783.5	146	45	13.4109	– 4	42.0010
3	3738.5	102	24	04.2203	– 4	35.4072	18	3784.5	147	44	21.6152	– 4	42.0258
4	3739.5	103	23	12.4245	– 4	35.5460	19	3785.5	148	43	29.8194	– 4	42.0771
5	3740.5	104	22	20.6287	– 4	35.6349	20	3786.5	149	42	38.0236	– 4	42.1679
6	3741.5	105	21	28.8330	– 4	35.7030	21	3787.5	150	41	46.2279	– 4	42.3065
7	3742.5	106	20	37.0372	– 4	35.7807	22	3788.5	151	40	54.4321	– 4	42.4937
8	3743.5	107	19	45.2414	– 4	35.8911	23	3789.5	152	40	02.6364	– 4	42.7206
9	3744.5	108	18	53.4457	– 4	36.0466	24	3790.5	153	39	10.8406	– 4	42.9676
10	3745.5	109	18	01.6499	– 4	36.2482	25	3791.5	154	38	19.0448	– 4	43.2059
11	3746.5	110	17	09.8542	– 4	36.4870	26	3792.5	155	37	27.2491	– 4	43.4034
12	3747.5	111	16	18.0584	– 4	36.7477	27	3793.5	156	36	35.4533	– 4	43.5359
13	3748.5	112	15	26.2626	– 4	37.0119	28	3794.5	157	35	43.6575	– 4	43.5984
14	3749.5	113	14	34.4669	– 4	37.2617	Mar. 1	3795.5	158	34	51.8618	– 4	43.6093



$GHA = \text{Earth rotation angle} - \alpha_i$ ,       $\alpha_i = \alpha_e + \text{equation of the origins}$   
 $\alpha_i, \alpha_e$  are the right ascensions with respect to the CIO and the true equinox of date, respectively.

## B32 NUTATION, OBLIQUITY & INTERMEDIATE SYSTEM, 2006

FOR 0<sup>h</sup> TERRESTRIAL TIME

Date		NUTATION		True Obl. of	Julian	CELESTIAL INTERMEDIATE SYSTEM		
0 <sup>h</sup> TT		in Long.	in Obl.	Ecliptic	Date	Pole		Origin
		$\Delta\psi$	$\Delta\epsilon$	$\epsilon$	0 <sup>h</sup> TT	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	$s$
		"	"	"		"	"	"
Jan.	0	- 2.1954	+ 8.3424	26.9813	3735.5	+ 119.3163	+ 8.2546	- 0.0025
	1	- 1.9865	+ 8.3810	27.0186	3736.5	+ 119.4543	+ 8.2931	- 0.0025
	2	- 1.8262	+ 8.4452	27.0815	3737.5	+ 119.5731	+ 8.3570	- 0.0025
	3	- 1.7383	+ 8.5198	27.1548	3738.5	+ 119.6630	+ 8.4316	- 0.0026
	4	- 1.7246	+ 8.5872	27.2209	3739.5	+ 119.7234	+ 8.4989	- 0.0026
	5	- 1.7653	+ 8.6328	27.2653	3740.5	+ 119.7621	+ 8.5445	- 0.0026
	6	- 1.8287	+ 8.6496	27.2808	3741.5	+ 119.7918	+ 8.5612	- 0.0026
	7	- 1.8817	+ 8.6388	27.2687	3742.5	+ 119.8256	+ 8.5503	- 0.0026
	8	- 1.8990	+ 8.6079	27.2365	3743.5	+ 119.8736	+ 8.5193	- 0.0026
	9	- 1.8672	+ 8.5679	27.1952	3744.5	+ 119.9410	+ 8.4793	- 0.0026
	10	- 1.7852	+ 8.5304	27.1564	3745.5	+ 120.0285	+ 8.4417	- 0.0025
	11	- 1.6625	+ 8.5053	27.1300	3746.5	+ 120.1321	+ 8.4164	- 0.0025
	12	- 1.5160	+ 8.4991	27.1226	3747.5	+ 120.2453	+ 8.4101	- 0.0025
	13	- 1.3657	+ 8.5146	27.1368	3748.5	+ 120.3600	+ 8.4254	- 0.0025
	14	- 1.2311	+ 8.5505	27.1714	3749.5	+ 120.4684	+ 8.4612	- 0.0025



# ICRS to Equator of Date Matrices

## B40 ICRS FRAME BIAS, PRECESSION AND NUTATION, 2006

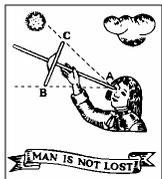
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ICRS TO TRUE EQUATOR AND EQUINOX OF DATE

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Jan. 0	-105	-133 134	- 57 841	+133 132	- 89	-4079	+ 57 846	+4002	- 17
1	-106	-133 288	- 57 908	+133 286	- 89	-4098	+ 57 913	+4021	- 17
2	-106	-133 421	- 57 965	+133 418	- 80	-4120	+ 57 971	+4052	- 17

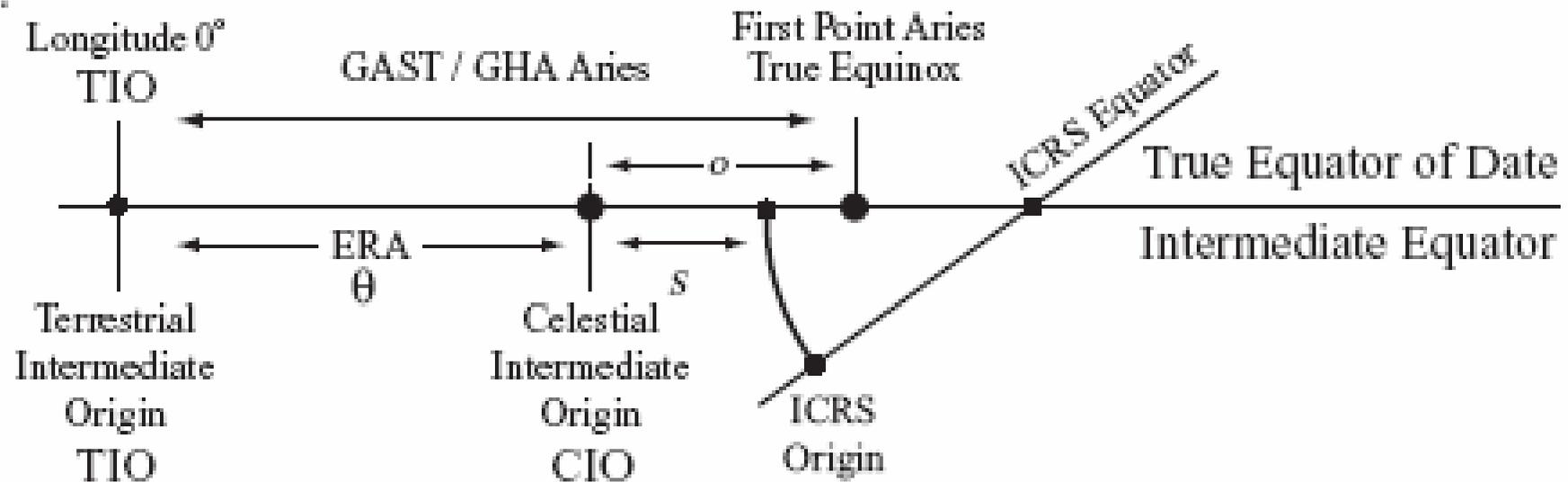
## ICRS TO CELESTIAL INTERMEDIATE SYSTEM, 2006 B41

MATRIX ELEMENTS FOR CONVERSION FROM  
ICRS TO CELESTIAL INTERMEDIATE ORIGIN AND TRUE EQUATOR OF DATE

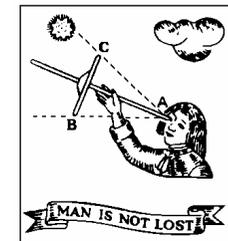
Julian Date	C <sub>11</sub> -1	C <sub>12</sub>	C <sub>13</sub>	C <sub>21</sub>	C <sub>22</sub> -1	C <sub>23</sub>	C <sub>31</sub>	C <sub>32</sub>	C <sub>33</sub> -1
245									
3735.5	- 1673	+ 6	- 578 4616	-237	- 8	-40 0195	+ 578 4616	+40 0195	- 1681
3736.5	- 1677	+ 6	- 579 1308	-238	- 8	-40 2059	+ 579 1308	+40 2060	- 1685
3737.5	- 1680	+ 5	- 579 7065	-240	- 8	-40 5160	+ 579 7065	+40 5161	- 1689
3738.5	- 1683	+ 5	- 580 1425	-242	- 8	-40 8775	+ 580 1425	+40 8775	- 1691
3739.5	- 1685	+ 5	- 580 4354	-244	- 8	-41 2038	+ 580 4354	+41 2038	- 1693
3740.5	- 1686	+ 5	- 580 6232	-245	- 9	-41 4247	+ 580 6232	+41 4247	- 1694
3741.5	- 1686	+ 5	- 580 7672	-246	- 9	-41 5060	+ 580 7672	+41 5060	- 1695
3742.5	- 1687	+ 5	- 580 9309	-246	- 9	-41 4531	+ 580 9309	+41 4531	- 1696
3743.5	- 1689	+ 5	- 581 1634	-245	- 9	-41 3029	+ 581 1634	+41 3029	- 1697
3744.5	- 1691	+ 5	- 581 4906	-244	- 8	-41 1086	+ 581 4906	+41 1086	- 1699



# Relationship between GAST & ERA



Schematic Diagram



## Apparent Place Example

1. **ICRS**: Form geocentric vector, apply corrections for light-time, light deflection, aberration as appropriate;
2. **Rotations: from ICRS** to required equator of date & origin;

### Equinox-based

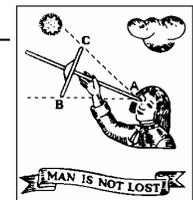
1. Apply **NPB** to give the true equinox and equator of date,
2. Apply GAST.

OR

### CIO-based

1. Apply **C(X, Y, s)** to give the Celestial Intermediate System,
2. Apply ERA.

3. **Calculate** hour angle and declination.



# How to Calculate an Apparent Place

## Planetary reduction

Data and formulae are provided for the precise computation of its apparent geocentric right ascension, its geocentric declination, and the hour angle, ignoring polar motion, from a barycentric ephemeris in rectangular coordinates referred to the International Celestial Reference Frame (ICRF, J2000-0).

1. Given an instant for which the position of the planet is required (TDB) to use with the ephemeris. If the position is required in terms of UT1, or the hour angle is required, then obtain the necessary corrections.
2. Calculate the geocentric rectangular coordinates of the planet and the Earth for the IC coordinate time argument TDB, allowing for light time delay.
3. Calculate the direction of the planet relative to the inertial frame that is instantaneously stationary in the solar system), allowing for light deflection due to the Sun and planets.
4. Calculate the direction of the planet relative to the Earth, applying the correction for the Earth's orbital motion (annual aberration). The resulting direction is for the apparent place.

## Equinox Method

5. Apply frame bias, precession and nutation to convert from the ICRF to the true equator and equinox of date frame.
6. Convert to spherical coordinates, giving the geocentric apparent right ascension and declination with respect to the true equinox and equator of date.
7. Calculate Greenwich apparent sidereal time and form the hour angle for the given UT1.

Alternatively, if right ascension is not required, combine Steps 5 and 7

- \*5. Apply frame bias, precession and nutation, and Greenwich apparent sidereal time to convert from the ICRF to the terrestrial frame; origin the TIO and the true equator of date frame.
  - \*6. Convert to spherical coordinates, giving the (apparent) hour angle and declination with respect to the TIO and the true equator of date.
  - \*7. Calculate the Earth Rotation Angle and form the hour angle for the given UT1.
- Note: In Step 7 and Step 5\* the tiny difference between the ITRF zero meridian and the terrestrial intermediate origin and the effects of polar motion (see page B74) have been ignored.

## IAU 2000 Method

5. Rotate the ICRS frame to the celestial intermediate frame using  $X, Y$  and  $s$  to apply frame bias, precession & nutation.
6. Convert to spherical coordinates, giving the geocentric intermediate right ascension and declination with respect to the CIO and the true equator of date.
7. Calculate the Earth Rotation Angle and form the hour angle for the given UT1.



# Approximate (~1") Star Altitude & Azimuth

Step B. Apply aberration (from  $\dot{e}$ ) and precession-nutation (using  $\mathcal{X}$ ,  $\mathcal{Y}$ ) to form

$$\begin{aligned} x_i &= (1 - \mathcal{X}^2/2) p_x - \mathcal{X} p_z + \dot{e}_x/c &= -0.373\ 494 \\ y_i &= p_y - \mathcal{Y} p_z + \dot{e}_y/c &= -0.312\ 495 \\ z_i &= \mathcal{X} p_x + \mathcal{Y} p_y + (1 - \mathcal{X}^2/2) p_z + \dot{e}_z/c &= -0.873\ 355 \end{aligned}$$

where  $(x_i, y_i, z_i)$  is the position with respect to the intermediate system.  $c = 173.14$  au/d,

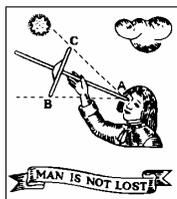
$$\dot{e} = (0.0172 \sin \lambda, -0.0158 \cos \lambda, -0.0068 \cos \lambda) = (-0.016\ 89, -0.002\ 98, -0.001\ 28)$$

and  $\mathcal{X} = +0.000\ 579$ ,  $\mathcal{Y} = +0.000\ 041$ , the position of the CIP, are evaluated using the approximate formulae on page B56, with arguments  $\Omega = 8^\circ 9'$ ,  $2L = 201^\circ 7'$ , and the longitude of the Earth,  $\lambda = (2L + 360^\circ)/2 = 280^\circ 9'$ . Converting to spherical coordinates gives  $\alpha_i = 14^{\text{h}}\ 39^{\text{m}}\ 40^{\text{s}}.5$  and  $\delta = -60^\circ\ 51'\ 22''$  (see page B61).

Step C. Transform from the celestial intermediate origin and equator of date to the observer's meridian (longitude  $\lambda = -60^\circ 0'$ , west longitudes are -ve)

$$\begin{aligned} x_g &= +x_i \cos(\theta + \lambda) + y_i \sin(\theta + \lambda) = +0.286\ 584 \\ y_g &= -x_i \sin(\theta + \lambda) + y_i \cos(\theta + \lambda) = +0.393\ 727 \\ z_g &= +z_i &= -0.873\ 355 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\theta = 99^\circ 444\ 335 + 0^\circ 985\ 6123 \times \text{day of year} + 15^\circ 041\ 07 \times \text{UT1} = 225^\circ 968\ 542$  is the Earth rotation angle (see B9). Thus  $LHA = \tan^{-1} -y_g/x_g = 306^\circ\ 03'\ 00''$ , measured clockwise from south is the local hour angle, and  $\delta = -60^\circ\ 51'\ 22''$  is unchanged (Step B).



## Equinox Based

- True Eq & Eq of Date
  - CIP (X, Y)
  - True equator of date
  - True equinox of date
  - Apparent place
  - Apparent RA
  - Declination
- GAST

## CIO Based

- CIRS
  - CIP (X, Y)
  - Celestial Intermediate Equator
  - CIO (s)
  - Intermediate place
  - Intermediate RA
  - Declination
- ERA

Quantities in the same colour are **identical**

