

# ADDITIONAL MOON TRACKING COMPUTER AND CALCULATOR PROGRAMS



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## MODIFICATIONS TO HP2000C PROGRAM

In bulletin AS-49-13, there is a moon tracking program written for the HP2000C computer. In that particular program the equations for elevation were based on the center of the earth. As a result, there is about a 1° error in the elevation number. By changing one statement and adding another, the error can be reduced to under 0.20. The following statements show the program before and after the changes were made. Also, in statement numbers 280 and 350 the line reads FOR N=1 to 25. If these statement lines are changed to FOR N=1 to 31, then 31 days of data can be requested instead of being limited to 25 days.

### BEFORE

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1300 LET H=L6-G
1310 REM:CALCULATION OF ELEVATION,E,OF OBJECT
1320 LET E3=COS(L5)*COS(H)*COS(D1)+SIN(D1)*SIN(L5)
1330 LET E2=SQR(1-(E3*E3))
1340 LET F=ATN(E3/E2)
1350 IF E<0 THEN 1810
1360 IF F>16*R5 THEN 1810
1370 REM:CALCULATION OF AZIMUTH,A,OF OBJECT
1380 LET A2=SIN(D1)/(COS(L5)*COS(E))
1390 LET A1=SIN(L5)*SIN(D1)+COS(L5)*COS(D1)*COS(H)
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### AFTER

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1300 LET H=L6-G
1310 REM:CALCULATION OF ELEVATION,E,OF OBJECT
1320 LET F3=COS(L5)*COS(H)*COS(D1)+SIN(D1)*SIN(L5)
1330 LET E2=SQR(1-(E3*E3))
1340 LET E=ATN((E3/E2)-(1/(61.33*E2)))
1345 LET F=ATN(E3/E2)
1350 IF E<0 THEN 1810
1360 IF F>16*R5 THEN 1810
1370 REM:CALCULATION OF AZIMUTH,A,OF OBJECT
1380 LET A2=SIN(D1)/(COS(L5)*COS(F))
1390 LET A2=A2-(SIN(L5)/COS(L5))*(SIN(F)/COS(F))
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The following program is a version of Lance Collister's (WB7CCI) original moon tracking program written in GE BASIC. This particular version was modified by Jay Liebmann, K5JL, to run on a Mits Altair 8800B. The program requires about 6700 bytes of memory. For those with a smaller memory, Jay has a stripped down version of the program which requires only 4000 bytes.

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500 DIM F(31),V(31),Y(31),Q(31),S(31)
560 P5=2.0000000000*3.1415926535
570 D5=360.0000000000/P5
580 R5=P5/360.0000000000
582 DEF FNA(X)=INT(X*D5*10+.5)/10
584 DEF FNB(X)=(X-INT(X))*P5
585 PRINT"WHAT ARE THE STATION CALL LETTERS";
587 INPUT W$
590 PRINT"WHAT IS YOUR LATITUDE IN DEGREES,MINUTES";
600 INPUT L5,U5
610 PRINT"WHAT IS YOUR LONGITUDE IN DEGREES,MINUTES";
620 INPUT L6,U6
630 L5=(L5+U5/60)*R5
640 L6=(L6+U6/60)*R5
650 PRINT"WHAT IS DESIRED PRINTING INCREMENT IN MINUTES";
660 INPUT I
670 PRINT "DO YOU ONLY WANT PRINTOUT WHEN THE MOON IS NEAR THE HORIZON";
690 INPUT B$
700 IF B$="YES" THEN 730
710 LET I6=100
720 GOTO 800
730 PRINT"BELOW WHAT ELEVATION IN DEGREES DO YOU WANT PRINTOUT"
731 PRINT"TO OCCUR";
740 INPUT I6
750 PRINT"WHAT ARE THE GMT MONTH, DAY, YEAR DESIRED";
760 FOR N=1 TO 31
770 INPUT F(N),V(N),Y(N)
780 IF F(N)=0 THEN 860
785 NEXT N
790 GOTO 760
800 PRINT"WHAT ARE THE GMT MONTH, DAY, YEAR, TIME BEGINNING, TIME ENDING
820 FOR N= 1 TO 31
830 INPUT F(N),V(N),Y(N),Q(N),S(N)
840 IF F(N)=0 THEN 860
845 NEXT N
850 GOTO 820
860 N5=N-1
870 FOR N=1 TO N5
880 IF B$="YES" THEN 900
890 GOTO 930
900 E1=2400
910 B=0
920 GOTO 950
930 E1=S(N)
940 B=Q(N)
950 M=F(N)
960 D=V(N)
970 Y=Y(N)
980 Y1=Y-(INT(Y/100)*100)
990 PRINT
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1000 PRINT
1010 PRINT"POSITION OF THE MOON ON";M;"/";D;"/";Y; "GMT FROM" "WS
1020 PRINT
1030 PRINT" GMT"," AZ"," EL"," GHA"," DEC"
1040 PRINT" ---"," --"," --"," ---"," ---"
1050 PRINT
1060 I1=2
1080 IFM>=3 THEN 1160
1090 IF INT((Y-1853)/4)<11 THEN 1120
1100 C1=-1
1110 GOTO 1130
1120 C1=0
1130 J1=365*(Y-1853)+D+30*(M+9)+INT((M+10)/2)
1140 J2=INT((Y-1853)/4)+1+C1
1150 GOTO 1270
1160 IF INT((Y-1852)/4)<11 THEN 1190
1170 C1=-1
1180 GOTO 1200
1190 C1=0
1200 IF M=9 THEN 1240
1210 IF M=11 THEN 1240
1220 C2=0
1230 GOTO 1250
1240 C2=1
1250 J1=365*(Y-1852)+D+30*(M-3)+INT((M-2)/2)
1260 J2=INT((Y-1852)/4)+C1+C2
1270 J=J1+J2
1280 T1=J-17472.5
1290 D9=(B-INT(B/100)*100)+INT(B/100)*60
1300 D6=(E1-INT(E1/100)*100)+INT(E1/100)*60
1310 D7=D9-D6
1320 D8=D7-I
1330 IF D7>0 THEN 1350
1340 GOTO 1380
1350 IF D8>=0 THEN 2220
1360 B=E1
1380 T=(B-INT(B/100)*100)/1440+INT(B/100)/24
1390 T5=T1+T
1400 K1=FNB(.751213+.036601102*T5)
1410 K2=FNB(.822513+.0362916457*T5)
1420 K3=FNB(.995766+.00273777852*T5)
1430 K4=FNB(.974271+.0338631922*T5)
1440 K5=FNB(.0312525+.0367481957*T5)
1450 L8=K1+.658*R5*SIN(2*K4)+6.289*R5*SIN(K2)
1460 L8=L8-1.274*R5*SIN(K2-2*K4)-.186*R5*SIN(K3)
1470 L8=L8+.214*R5*SIN(2*K2)-.114*R5*SIN(2*K5)
1480 L8=L8-.059*R5*SIN(2*K2-2*K4)-.057*R5*SIN(K2+K3-2*K4)
1490 K6=K5+.6593*R5*SIN(2*K4)+6.2303*R5*SIN(K2)-1.272*R5*SIN(K2-2*K4)
1500 L7=5.144*R5*SIN(K6)-.146*R5*SIN(K5-2*K4)
1520 LETD1=COS(L7)*SIN(L8)*.397821+SIN(L7)*.917463
1530 LET D1=ATN(D1/(SQR(1-D1^2)))
1531 G1=50+.5+((D1)/(.792))*D5
1532 G2=80+((D1)/(.808))*D5
1533 G3=141.5-((D1)*(.738))*D5
1534 G4=170.5-((D1)*(.857))*D5
1540 A2=COS(L7)*COS(L8)/COS(D1)
1550 A1=(COS(L7)*SIN(L8)*.917463-SIN(L7)*.397821)/COS(D1)
1560 A=ATN(A1/A2)
1570 GOSUB 1870
1580 R1=A
1590 L1=.065709822*T1

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1600 L=T*24*1.002738+6.646055+(L1-INT(L1/24)*24)
1610 L=(L-INT(L/24)*24)
1630 G=(L/24)*P5-R1
1640 IF G<P5 THEN 1670
1650 G=G-P5
1660 GOTO 1710
1670 IF G<0 THEN 1690
1680 GOTO 1710
1690 G=G+P5
1710 H=L6-G
1730 E3=COS(L5)*COS(H)*COS(D1)+SIN(D1)*SIN(L5)
1740 E2=SQR(1-(E3*E3))
1750 E=ATN((E3/E2)-(1/(61.33*E2)))
1755 F=ATN(E3/E2)
1760 IF E<0 THEN 2178
1770 IF E>I6*R5 THEN 2178
1790 A2=SIN(D1)/(COS(L5)*COS(F))
1800 A2=A2-(SIN(L5)/COS(L5))*(SIN(F)/COS(F))
1810 A1=SIN(L5)*SIN(D1)+COS(L5)*COS(D1)*COS(H)
1820 A1=(SIN(H)*COS(D1))/SQR(1-A1^2)
1830 A=ATN(A1/A2)
1840 GOSUB 1870
1850 GOTO 2020
1870 IF A=0 THEN 1890
1880 GOTO 1930
1890 IF A2<0 THEN 1910
1900 GOTO 2010
1910 A=P5/2
1920 GOTO 2010
1930 IF A>0 THEN 1990
1940 IF A2<0 THEN 1970
1950 A=P5+A
1960 GOTO 2010
1970 A=P5+(A-P5/2)
1980 GOTO 2010
1990 IF A2=>0 THEN 2010
2000 A=A+P5/2
2010 RETURN
2020 IF (T-I1)>(2*I)/1440 THEN 2040
2030 GOTO 2050
2040 PRINT
2050 IF INT(B+.5)>9 THEN 2080
2060 S$=" "
2070 GOTO 2142
2080 IF INT(B+.5)>99 THEN 2110
2090 S$=" "
2100 GOTO 2142
2110 IF INT(B+.5)>999 THEN 2140
2120 S$=" "
2130 GOTO 2142
2140 S$=""
2142 Z1=FNA(A)
2144 Z2=FNA(E)
2146 Z3=FNA(G)
2148 Z4=FNA(D1)
2150 IF Z4<0 THEN 2163
2151 IF Z3<G1 THEN 2163
2152 IF Z3>G2 THEN 2154
2153 GOTO 2157
2154 IF Z3<G3 THEN 2159

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2155 IF Z3 >G4 THEN 2163
2156 GOTO 2161
2157 Y$="U"
2158 GOTO 2170
2159 Y$="W"
2160 GOTO 2170
2161 Y$="J"
2162 GOTO 2170
2163 Y$=" "
2170 PRINT S$;STR$(INT(B+.5)),Z1,Z2,Z3,Z4;Y$
2176 I1=T
2178 B=B+I
2180 Z=(B-INT(B/100)*100)-60
2190 IF Z<0 THEN 1290
2200 B=INT(B/100)*100+100+Z
2210 GOTO 1290
2220 NEXT N
2230 N=0
2240 PRINT
2260 PRINT
2270 PRINT"DO YOU WANT MORE INFORMATION";
2280 INPUT D$
2290 IF D$="YES" THEN 560
2300 END
OK

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The following two scientific calculator programs were contributed by Shelby Ennis, W4WNH/8 and William Dayton, WA8BAH.

The two equations used for these programs are:

$$\text{Elevation} = \sin^{-1} ((\cos(\text{GHA}-\text{LONG}) \cdot \cos\text{LAT} \cdot \cos\text{DEC}) + (\sin\text{LAT} \cdot \sin\text{DEC}))$$

$$\text{Azimuth} = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{\sin\text{DEC}}{\cos\text{EL} \cdot \cos\text{LAT}} - (\tan\text{LAT} \cdot \tan\text{EL}) \right)$$

## HP-55 Program Form

Title FNE Antenna AZ and EL from Moon's GHA and Declination Page 1 of 2  
 Press **PRGM** in RUN mode, switch to PRGM mode. Then key in the program.

DISPLAY	LINE	CODE	KEY ENTRY	X	Y	Z	T	COMMENTS	REGISTERS
	00								R <sub>0</sub> OUTPUT
	01	34	RCL						Elevation
	02	08	8						Degrees
	03	71	X						R <sub>1</sub> NOT USED
	04	34	RCL						
	05	05	5						R <sub>2</sub> 360
	06	71	X						constant
	07	34	RCL						R <sub>3</sub> input
	08	07	7						Long.
	09	34	RCL						Degrees
	10	04	4						R <sub>4</sub> sin
	11	71	X						Lat.
	12	61	+						Degrees
	13	32	G						R <sub>5</sub> cos
	14	12	sin						Lat.
	15	33	STO						Degrees
	16	00	0						R <sub>6</sub> tan
	17	31	F						Lat.
	18	14	tan						Degrees
	19	34	RCL						R <sub>7</sub> sin
	20	06	6						Degrees
	21	71	X						R <sub>8</sub> cos
	22	34	RCL						Decl.
	23	07	7						Degrees
	24	34	RCL						R <sub>9</sub> sin(GHA
	25	05	5						-Long.)
	26	81	8						R <sub>0</sub> NOT USED
	27	34	RCL						
	28	00	0						R <sub>1</sub> NOT USED
	29	31	F						
	30	13	cos						R <sub>2</sub> NOT USED
	31	81	8						
	32	22	X↔Y						R <sub>3</sub> NOT USED
	33	51	5						
	34	32	G						R <sub>4</sub> NOT USED
	35	13	cos						
	36	00	0						R <sub>5</sub> NOT USED
	37	34	RCL						
	38	09	9						R <sub>6</sub> NOT USED
	39	31	F						
	40	-48	X↔Y-48						R <sub>7</sub> NOT USED
	41	23	R↔						
	42	23	R↔						R <sub>8</sub> NOT USED
	43	34	RCL						
	44	02	2						R <sub>9</sub> NOT USED
	45	22	X↔Y						
	46	51	5						R <sub>0</sub> NOT USED
	47	-00	GTO-00						
	48	23	R↔						R <sub>1</sub> NOT USED
	49	23	R↔						

HP-55C PROGRAM

## HP-55 User Instructions

Title FNE Antenna AZ and EL from Moon's GHA and Declination Page 2 of 2  
 Programmer Shelby Pinn W4WVH/B and William Dayton W5DBA/H

STEP	INSTRUCTIONS	INPUT DATA/UNITS	KEYS				OUTPUT DATA/UNITS
1	Enter program						
2	Store constant and antenna location data	360 Long. Deg. Lat. Deg.	STO	2			360 Long. sin Lat.
			STO	3			Long.
			Enter↓	Enter↑	F	sin	sin Lat.
			STO	4	R↓	F	Lat.
			cos	STO	5	R↓	Lat.
			F	tan	STO	6	tan Lat.
3a	Store Moon data	Declination (Deg.Min.Sec)		F	H←		Degrees
3b	Enter South Dec. as negative (use "CHS")	Dec. Deg.	Enter↑	F	sin	STO	sin Dec.
			7	R↓	F	cos	cos Dec.
			STO	8			
3c		GHA (Deg.Min.Sec) GHA Deg.	F	H←			Degrees
			RCL	3	-	Enter↓	
			F	sin	STO	9	sin(GHA-Long.)
			R↓	F	cos		cos(GHA-Long.)
4	Run program		BST	R/S			Azimuth °
			RCL	0			Elevation °
	For new Moon data, go to step 3						
	to run program again w/same data		RCL	9	G	sin	
			F	cos	BST	R/S	Azimuth °
			RCL	0			Elevation °

Note: Steps 3a and 3c take data in degrees, minutes and seconds and convert to decimal degrees. If the data are already in decimal degrees, enter data at step 3b and 3d directly. The Nautical Almanac gives the Moon data in degrees, minutes and tenths of minutes. Rounding off the minutes causes negligible additional error to the plus or minus one degree error of the program. Example 1: Degree, minute, seconds S26° 53' 42" is entered as (negative because of south) -26.5342°. Example 2: Degrees, minutes and tenths of minutes, S26° 53.7' is entered as -26.54°. The program does not take into account your antenna height, or "beam bending".

HP-55C PROGRAM

### HP-25 Program Form

Title EME Antenna AZ and EL from Moon's GHA and Declination Page 1 of 2  
 Switch to PRGM mode, press **[F] [PRGM]**, then key in the program.

LINE	DISPLAY CODE	KEY ENTRY	X	Y	Z	T	COMMENTS	REGISTERS
00								
01	23-02	STO 2						R <sup>0</sup> output
02	21	X $\leftrightarrow$ Y						AZ
03	24-04	RCL 4						
04	41	-						R <sup>1</sup> not used
05	31	ENTER						Decl.
06	14-04	F sin						
07	23-06	STD 6						
08	22	R↓						R <sup>2</sup> 360
09	14-05	F cos						
10	24-02	RCL 2						
11	14-05	F cos						
12	61	X						R <sup>3</sup> input
13	24-05	RCL 5						Long.
14	14-05	F cos						
15	61	X						
16	24-02	RCL 2						R <sup>4</sup> input
17	14-04	F sin						Lat.
18	24-05	RCL 5						R <sup>5</sup> (prog) sin
19	14-04	F sin						L.H.A.
20	61	X						
21	51	+						R <sup>6</sup> output
22	15-04	Gsin-1						Flow
23	23-07	STO 7						
24	74	R/S						
25	14-06	F tan						
26	24-05	RCL 5						
27	14-06	F tan						
28	61	X						
29	24-02	RCL 2						
30	14-04	F sin						
31	24-05	RCL 5						
32	14-05	F cos						
33	71	÷						
34	24-07	RCL 7						
35	14-05	F cos						
36	71	÷						
37	21	X $\leftrightarrow$ Y						
38	41	-						
39	15-05	Gcos-1						
40	23-00	STO 0						
41	24-06	RCL 6						
42	15-41	G X<0						
43	13-48	GTO 48						
44	24-03	RCL 3						
45	24-00	RCL 0						
46	41	-						
47	23-00	STO 0						
48	24-00	RCL 0						
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### HP-25 Program Form

Title EME Antenna AZ and EL from Moon's GHA and Declination Page 2 of 2  
 Programmer \_\_\_\_\_

STEP	INSTRUCTIONS	INPUT DATA/UNITS	KEYS				OUTPUT DATA/UNITS
1	Enter program						
2	Store constant	360	STO	3			360
3	Store QTH position	Long.	G	H $\rightarrow$	STO	4	Long. <sup>o</sup>
	Note: Keystrokes "G" & "H $\leftarrow$ " convert Deg., Min., Sec., to Decimal Degrees. Omit these keystrokes if data are already in Decimal Degrees.	Lat.	G	H $\rightarrow$	STO	5	Lat. <sup>o</sup>
	Enter latitude as "negative" if south of the equator. (Use "CHS" key).						
4	Key in Moon Data (Enter southern Dec. as "negative")	GHA Dec.	G	H $\rightarrow$	ENTER		
5	Run program		R/S				EL. <sup>o</sup> Az. <sup>o</sup>
	EL. is also stored in Register #7, Az in #0. For another Moon position go to step 4.						