

- P = Theoretical Point at PVI
 M = Offset from the PVI to the curve, in meters
 Z = Any tangent offset, in meters
 L = Horizontal length of vertical curve, in meters
 L₁ = Horizontal distance from PVC to PVI, in meters
 L₂ = Horizontal distance from PVT to PVI, in meters
 X = Horizontal distance from PVC or PVT to any ordinate "Z," in meters
 G₁ & G₂ = Rates of grade, expressed algebraically, in percent

ALL EXPRESSIONS TO BE CALCULATED ALGEBRAICALLY

$$ELEV\ OF\ PVI = ELEV\ PVC + \frac{G_1 L_1}{100}$$

$$ELEV\ OF\ PVT = ELEV\ PVC + \frac{G_1 L_1}{100} + \frac{G_2 L_2}{100}$$

$$ELEV\ OF\ P = ELEV\ PVC + \frac{L_1}{L} \left(\frac{G_1 L_1 + G_2 L_2}{100} \right)$$

$$MID - ORDINATE\ DISTANCE\ "M" = \frac{L_1 L_2}{200 L} (G_2 - G_1) = \frac{ELEV.\ OF\ P - ELEV.\ OF\ PVI}{2}$$

For offset "Z" at distance "X" from PVC:

For offset "Z" at a distance "X" from PVT:

$$Z = M \left(\frac{X}{L_2} \right)^2$$

CALCULATING HIGH OR LOW POINT ON CURVE

If high or low point occurs on left portion of curve:

$$X_T = \frac{L_1}{L_2} \left(\frac{G_1 L}{G_1 - G_2} \right)$$

$$Z = M \left(\frac{X}{L_1} \right)^2$$

Where "X_T" equals the horizontal distance from the PVC to the high or low point on the curve in meters.

$$ELEV\ OF\ THIS\ POINT = ELEV\ PVC - \frac{L_1}{L_2} \left(\frac{L G_1^2}{(G_2 - G_1) 200} \right)$$

If high or low point occurs on the right portion of curve:

$$X_T = \frac{L_2}{L_1} \left(\frac{G_2 L}{(G_2 - G_1)} \right)$$

Where “X_T” equals the horizontal distance from the PVT to the high or low point on the curve in meters.

$$ELEV \ OF \ THIS \ POINT = ELEV \ PVT - \frac{L_2}{L_1} \left(\frac{L G_2^2}{(G_2 - G_1) 200} \right)$$

UNSYMMETRICAL VERTICAL CURVE EQUATIONS

Figure 44-3H