The Description and Use

So in fpherical trigonometry, where fome of the cafes are worked wholly on the fines, others partly on fines, and partly on tangents; the extent taken with the compaffes, between the first and second terms, when those terms are of the fame kind, will reach from the third term to the fourth.

Or the extent from the first term to the third, when they are of the fame kind, will reach from the fecond term to the fourth.

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Some Uses of the double Scales of Sines, Tangents, and Secants.

PROBLEM XX.

Given the radius of a circle (fuppofe equal to 2 inches) required the fine, and tangent of $28^{\circ} 3^{\circ}$ to that radius.

SOLUTION. Open the fector fo that the transverse distance of 90 and 90, on the fines; or of 45 and 45 on the tangents; may be equal to the given radius; viz. 2 inches: Then will the transverse distance of $28^{\circ} 30'$, taken from the fines, be the length of that fine to the given radius; or if taken from the tangents, will be the length of that tangent to the given radius.

But if the fecant of 28° 30' was required ?

Make the given radius two inches, a transverse diffance to \circ and \circ , at the beginning of the line of fecants; and then take the transverse diffance of the degrees wanted, *viz.* 28° 30'.

A Tangent greater than 45 degrees (Juppose 60 degrees) is found thus.

Make the given radius, fuppofe 2 inches, a transverse distance to 45 and 45 at the beginning of the scale of upper tangents; and then the required degrees $60^{\circ} 00'$ may be taken from this scale.

The fcales of the upper tangents and fecants do not run quite to 76 degrees; and as the tangent and fecant may fometimes fometimes be wanted to a greater number of degrees than can be introduced on the fector, they may be readily found by the help of the annexed table of the natural tangents and fecants of the degrees above 75; the radius of the circle being unity.

Degrees.	Nat. Tangent.	Nat. Secant.
76	4,011	4,133
77	4,331	4,445
78	4,701	4,810
79	5,144	5,241
80	5,671	5,759
81	6,314	6,392
82	7,115	7,185
83	8,144	8,205
84	9,514	9,567
85	11,430	11,474
86	14,301	14,335
87	19,081	19,107
88	28,636	28,654
89	57,290	57,300

Meafure the radius of the circle ufed, upon any fcale of equal parts. Multiply the tabular number by the parts in the radius, and the product will give the length of the tangent or fecant fought, to be taken from the fame fcale of equal parts.

EXAM. Required the length of the tangent and fecant of 80 degrees to a circle whofe radius, meafured on a fcale of 25 parts to an inch, is $47\frac{1}{2}$ of those parts.

Againft

Againft 80 degrees ftands The radius is	tangent. 5,671 47,5	fecant. 5,759 47,5
	28355 39697 22684	28795 40313 23036
	269,3725	273,5525

So the length of the tangent on the twenty-fifth fcale will be $269\frac{1}{3}$ nearly. And that of the fecant about $273\frac{1}{2}$.

Or thus. The tangent of any number of degrees may be taken from the fector at once; if the radius of the circle can be made a transverse distance to the complement of those degrees on the lower tangent.

EXAM. To find the tangent of 78 degrees to a radius of 2 inches.

Make two inches a transverse distance to 12 degrees on the lower tangents; then the transverse distance of 45 degrees will be the tangent of 78 degrees.

In like manner the fecant of any number of degrees can be taken from the fines, if the radius of the circle can be made a transverse diffance to the cosine of those degrees. Thus making two inches a transverse diffance to the fine of 12 degrees; then the transverse diffance of 90 and 90 will be the secant of 78 degrees.

From hence it will be eafy to find the degrees anfwering to a given line, expressing the length of a tangent or fecant, which is too long to be measured on those feales, when the fector is fet to a given radius.

Thus. For a tangent, make the given line a transverse distance to 45 and 45 on the lower tangents; then take the given radius and apply it to the lower tangents; and the degrees where it becomes a transverse distance is the cotangent of the degrees answering to the given line.

And for a fecant. Make the given line a transverse distance to 90 and 90 on the fines. Then the degrees answering to the given radius, applied as a transverse distance on the fines, will be be the co-fine of the degrees answering to the given secant line.

PROBLEM XXI.

Given the length of the fine, tangent, or fecant, of any degrees; to find the length of the radius to that fine, tangent, or fecant.

Make the given length, a transverse distance to its given degrees on its respective scale: Then,

In the fines. The transverse distance of 90 and 90 will be the radius fought.

In the lower tangents. The transverse diffance of 45 and 45, near the end of the sector, will be the radius sought.

In the upper tangents. The transverse distance of 45 and 45 taken toward the center of the fector on the line of upper tangents, will be the radius fought.

In the fecant. The transverse difference of \circ and \circ , or the beginning of the fecants, near the center of the fector, will be the radius fought.

PROBLEM XXII.

Given the radius and any line reprefenting a fine, tangent, or fecant; to find the degrees corresponding to that line.

SOLUTION. Set the fector to the given radius, according as a fine, or tangent, or fecant is concerned.

Take the given line between the compaffes; apply the two feet transverfely to the scale concerned, and slide the feet along till they both rest on like divisions on both legs; then will those divisions shew the degrees and parts corresponding to the given line.

PROBLEM XXIII.

To find the length of a verfed fine to a given number of degrees, and a given radius.

Make the transverse distance of 90 and 90 on the fines, equal

to

to the given radius.

Take the transverse distance of the fine complement of the given degrees.

If the given degrees are lefs than 90, the difference between the fine complement and the radius, gives the verfed fine.

If the given degrees are more than 90, the fum of the fine complement and the radius, gives the verfed fine.

PROBLEM XXIV.

To open the legs of the fector, fo that the corresponding double fcales of lines, chords, fines, tangents, may make, each, a right angle.

On the lines, make the lateral diftance 10, a diftance between 8 on one leg, and fix on the other leg.

On the fines, make the lateral diffance 90, a transverse diffance from 45 to 45; or from 40 to 50; or from 30 to 60; or from the fine of any degrees, to their complement.

Or on the fines, make the lateral diftance of 45 a transverse diftance between 30 and 30.

PROBLEM XXV.

To defcribe an Ellipfis, having given AB equal to the longest diameter; and CD equal to the shortest diameter.



SOLUTION. Ift. Set the two diameters AB, CD, at right angles to each other in their middles at E.

2d. Make AE a tranf-B verfe diameter to 90 and 90 on the fines; and take the tranfverfe diftances of 10° , 20° , 30° , 40° , 50° , 60° , 70° , 80° , fucceffively, and apply those diftance to AE

from E towards A, as at the points 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8; and thro' thofe those points draw lines parallel to EC.

3d. Make EC a transverse diffance to 90 and 90 on the fines; take the transverse diffances of 80° , 70° , 60° , 50° , 40° , 30° , 20° , 10° , fucceffively, and apply those diffances to the parallel lines from 1 to 1, 2 to 2, 3 to 3, 4 to 4, 5 to 5, 6 to 6, 7 to 7, 8 to 8, and fo many points will be obtained thro' which the curve of the ellipsis is to pass.

The fame work being done in all the four quadrants, the elliptical curve may be completed.

This Problem is of confiderable use in the construction of folar Eclipse; but instead of using the fines to every ten degrees, the fines belonging to the degrees and minutes corresponding to the hours, and quarter hours are to be used.

PROBLEM XXVI.

To defcribe a Parabola whofe parameter shall be equal to a given line.

SOLUTION. Ift. Draw a line to reprefent the axis, in which make AB equal to half the given parameter; divide AB like a line of fines to every ten degrees, as to the points $10, 20, 30, 40, 50, \mathcal{C}\ell$. and thro' thefe points draw lines at right angles to the axis AB.



2d. Make the lines A*a*, 10*b*, 20*c*, 30*d*, 40*e*, &*c*. refpectively equal to the chords of 90°, 80°, 70°, 60°, 50°, &*c*. to the radius AB, and the points *a*, *b*, *c*, *d*, *e*, &*c*. will be in the curve of the parabola.

The like work may be done on both fides of the axis when the whole curve is wanted.

As the chords on the fector run no farther than 60°, those of

