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Timekeeping instruments — Symbolization of control positions

1 SCOPE AND FIELD OF APPLICATION

This International Standard lays down the definition and designations of test positions for any timekeeping instrument, irrespective of its type, design or dimensions.

2 DEFINITION

The position of a timekeeping instrument or its movement is relative to direction **Z**, which is opposite to the direction of acceleration caused by gravity (figures 1 and 2). It is indicated by angles λ and ϑ , which are defined as follows :

a) λ is the angle of rotation of the timekeeping instrument about axis **X**, which is perpendicular to the plane of the dial (figure 1). The rotation is counter-clockwise.

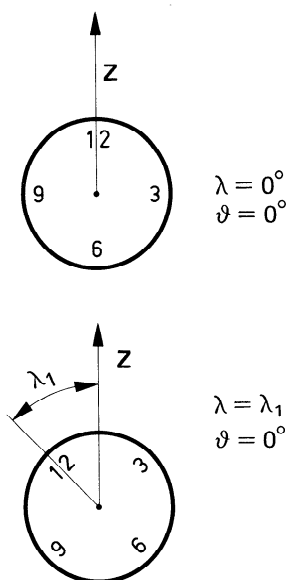


FIGURE 1

The range of λ is : $0^\circ \leq \lambda < 360^\circ$. (The range of λ is between 0° and a value less than 360° .)

b) ϑ is the angle of rotation of the timekeeping instrument about the axis perpendicular to plane **ZX** (figure 2).

$\vartheta > 0^\circ$ means a rotation of the point on the dial which is momentarily highest when that point is moving away from the observer.

$\vartheta < 0^\circ$ means a rotation of the above point when it is moving towards the observer.

The range of ϑ is : $-90^\circ \leq \vartheta \leq +90^\circ$. (The range of ϑ is between $\pm 90^\circ$.)

c) For $\lambda = 0^\circ$ and $\vartheta = 0^\circ$, the axis passing through 6 hours and 12 hours shall coincide with direction **Z**.

(For timekeeping instruments not having a conventional dial and for movements, the specifications of clause 4 apply.)

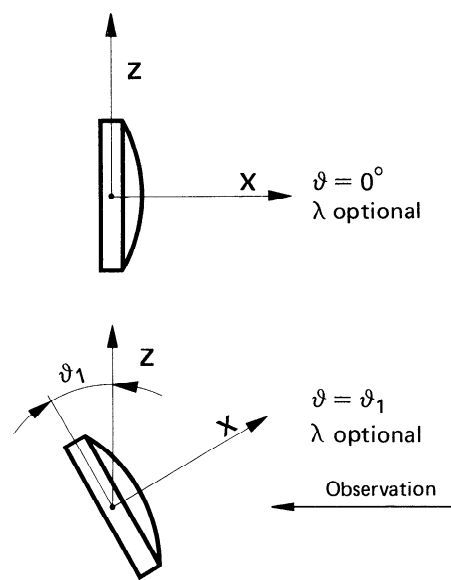


FIGURE 2