

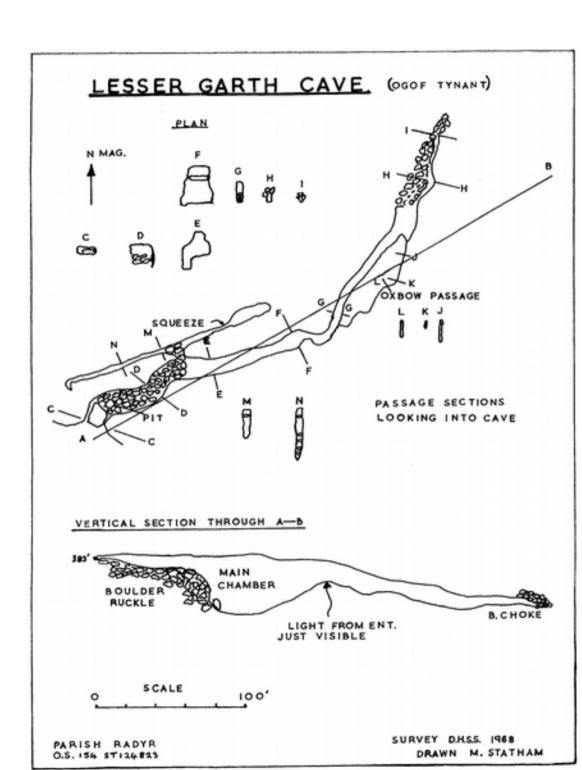
Surveying Caves

Why?

- To find your way in newly discovered cave
- To read others' surveys better when you're navigating
- To understand the formation of the cave, the hydrology, geological patterns, and the karst in general
- To predict where new important discoveries could be made
- To keep track of new leads

Outline

- Surveying Part I: in the cave
- Surveying: practical part
- Surveying Part II: after the cave
- Surveying: computer practical



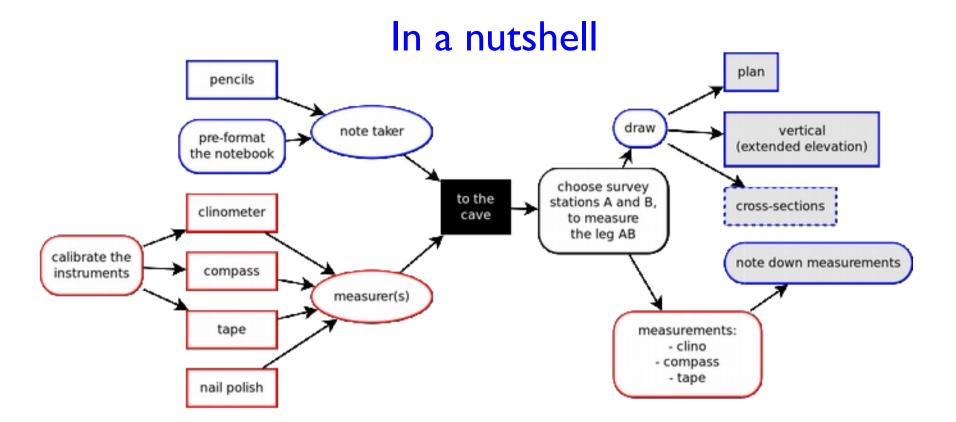
Gradings of surveys http://www.bcra.org.uk/surveying/

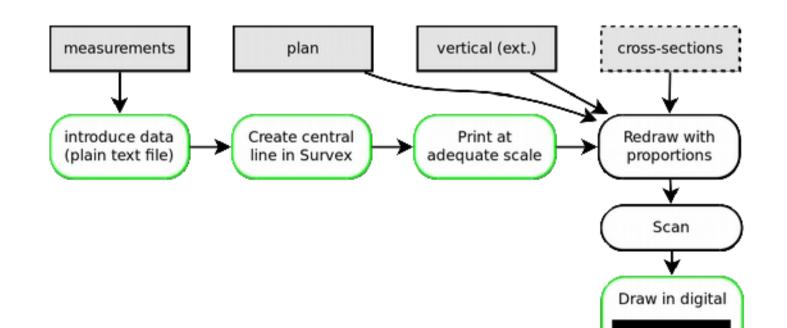
Table I: BCRA gradings for a cave line survey (MEASUREMENTS)

- Grade I Sketch of low accuracy where no measurements have been made
- Grade 2 (use only if necessary, see note 7) May be used, if necessary, to describe a sketch that is intermediate in accuracy between Grade 1 & 3
- **Grade 3** A rough magnetic survey. Horizontal & vertical angles measured to ±2.5°; distances measured to ±50 cm; station position error less than 50cm.
- **Grade 4** (use only if necessary, see note 7) May be used, if necessary, to describe a survey that fails to attain all the requirements of Grade 5 but is more accurate than a Grade 3 survey.
- Grade 5 A Magnetic survey. Horizontal and vertical angles measured to ±1°; distances should be observed and recorded to the nearest centimetre and station positions identified to less than 10cm.
- **Grade 6** A magnetic survey that is more accurate than grade 5, (see note 5).
- **Grade X** A survey that is based primarily on the use of a theodolite or total station instead of a compass, (see notes 6 and 10 below).

Table 2. BCRA gradings for recording cave passage detail (DRAWINGS)

- Class A All passage details based on memory.
- Class B Passage details estimated and recorded in the cave.
- Class C Measurements of detail made at survey stations only.
- Class D Measurements of detail made at survey stations and wherever else needed to show significant changes in passage dimensions.

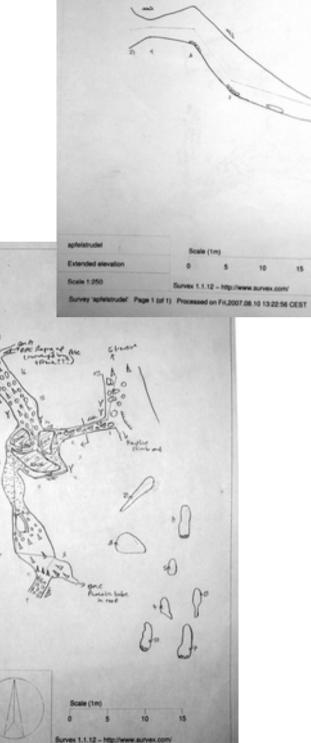








Plan view Scale 1:250

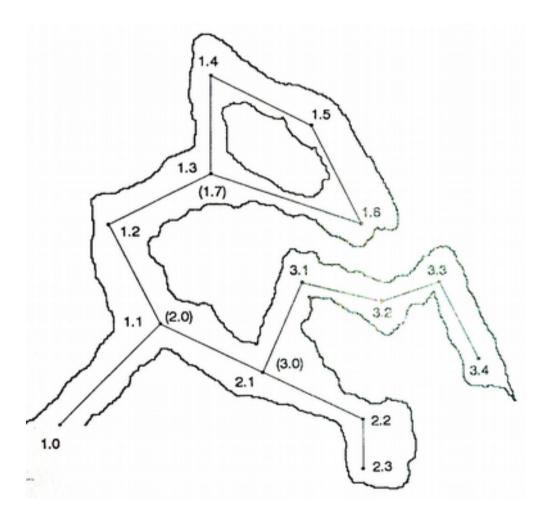


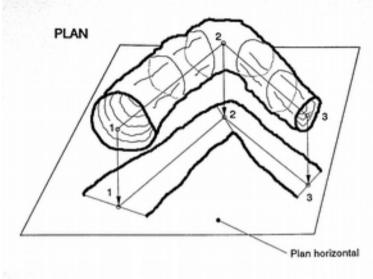
Surveying Part I: In the cave.

How do you draw a survey?

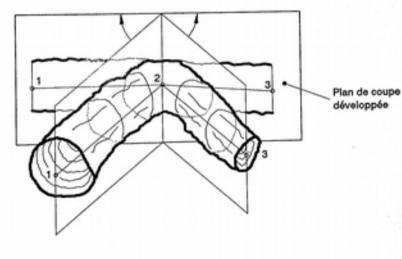
The central line

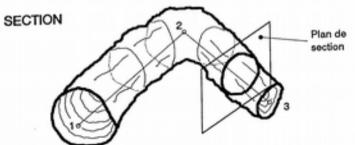
The views





COUPE DEVELOPPEE Extended elevation





Central line

https://dm516.user.srcf.net/loser/squiggle_76.html https://dm516.user.srcf.net/loser/squiggle_all.html



Part I: In the cave. The central line - MATERIAL

pencils

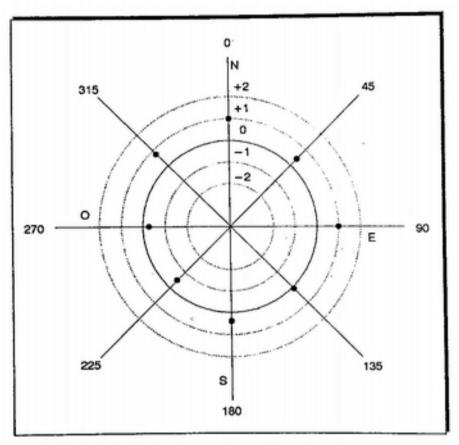
pre-format the notebook

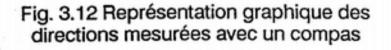
clinometer

compass

tape

nail polish





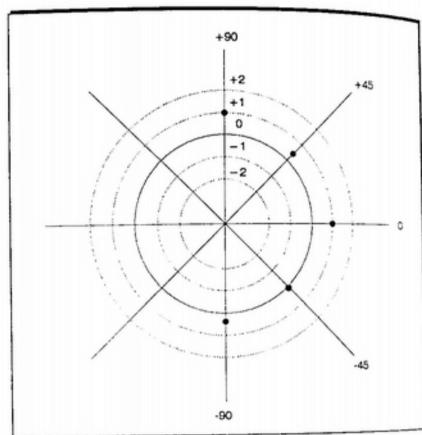


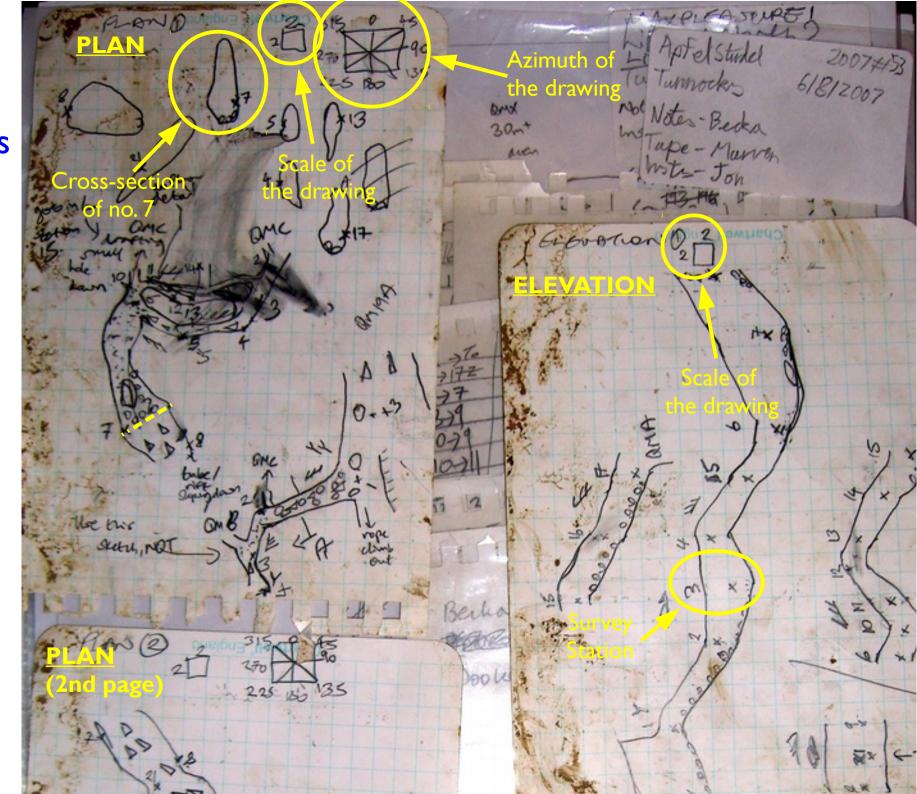
Fig. 3.13 Représentation graphique des angles mesurés avec un clisimètre

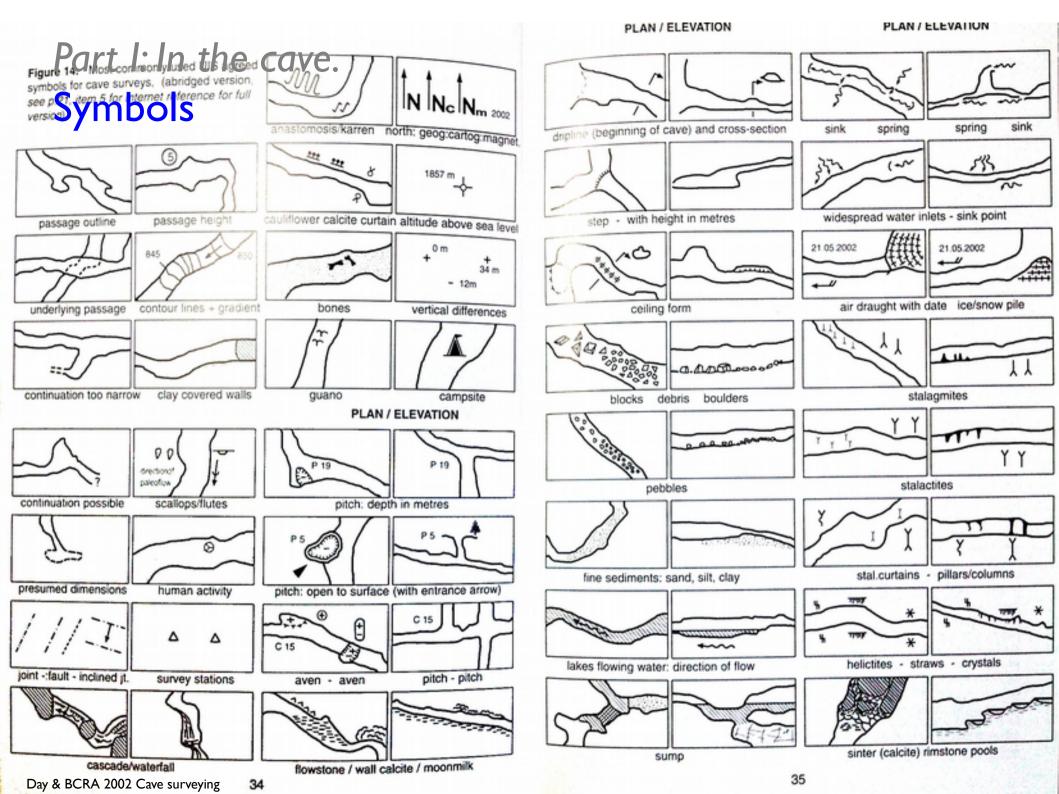
Part I: In the cave. The central line - NOTES

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Part I: In the cave.

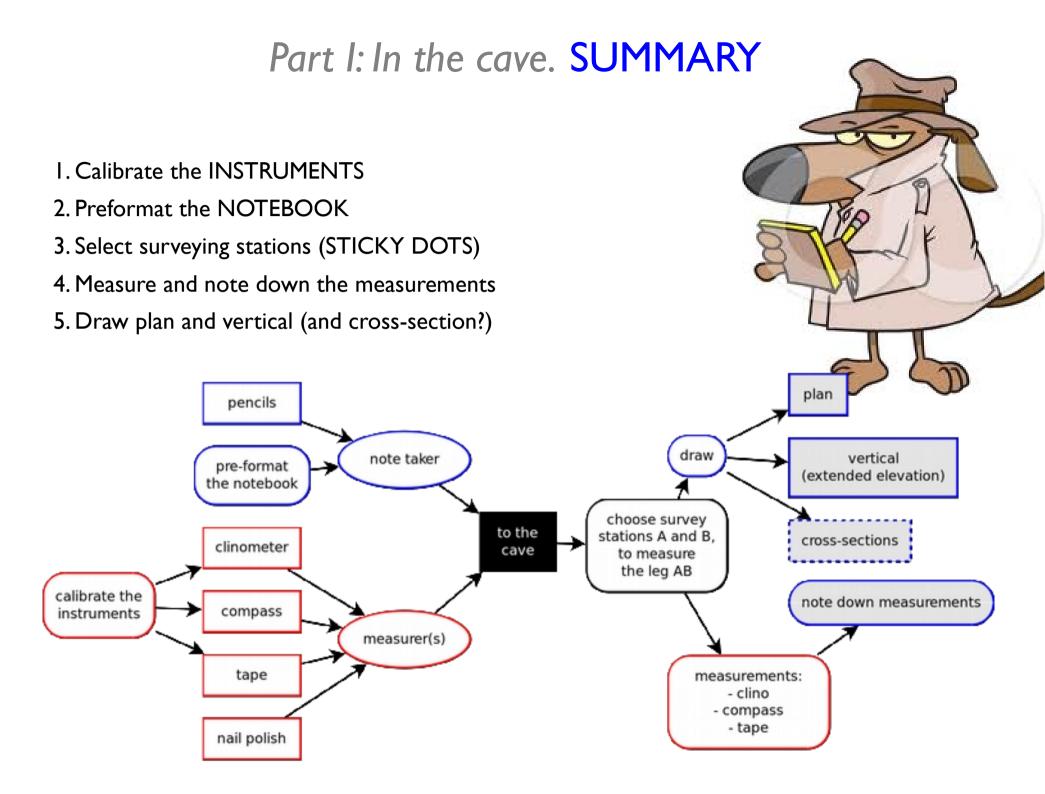
Drawings





Before the cave. Calibrate the instruments!

- Clino: measure one leg from both survey points.
 Both readings should be the same but with opposite sign
- Compass: measure one leg from both survey points. Both readings should differ exactly by 180 degrees
- Tape: note down how many centimetres are broken, if any.
 If very old, compare against a new one to check that it hasn't stretched



Further

- Entering data for Survex: http://survex.com/docs/manual/datafile.htm, http://survex.com/docs/manual/svxhowto.htm
- CUCC Expo Handbook Surveying: http://expo.survex.com/handbook/survey/index.htm
- BCRA Survey grades: http://www.bcra.org.uk/surveying/
- Wikipedia: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cave_survey
- DAY, Anthony (2002). Cave Surveying [Cave Studies Series 11]. Buxton: British Cave Research Association.
- Cave Surveying Groups: http://csg.bcra.org.uk , http://cavesurveying.org.uk , http://www.uisic.uis-speleo.org/wgsurmap.html
- Cave surveys of the UK: http://cavemaps.org/
- List of cave symbols: http://www.carto.net/neumann/caving/cave-symbols
- Avoiding errors in cave surveying: http://www.sghbern.ch/page/hrh/avoiding.html
- http://www.utgrotto.org/articles/SurveyBasics.asp