

# EDS 223: Geospatial Analysis & Remote Sensing



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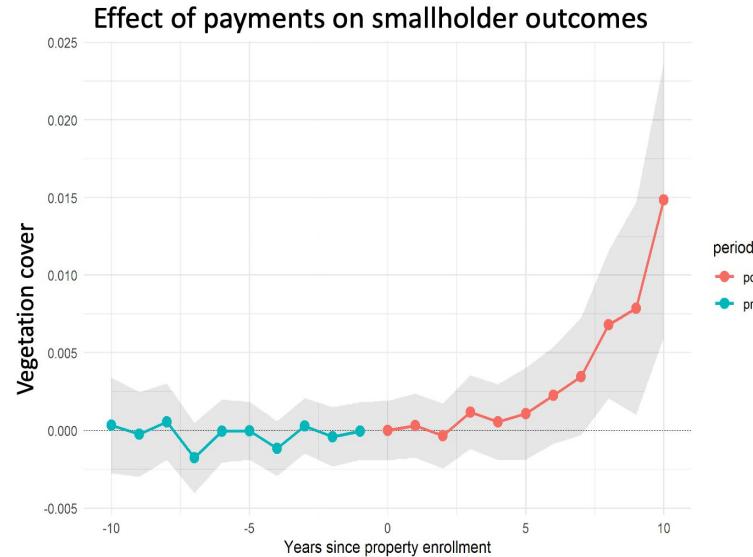
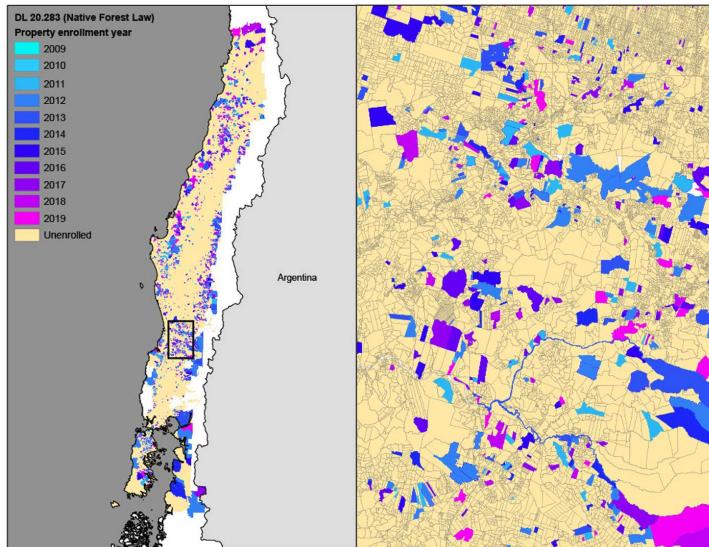
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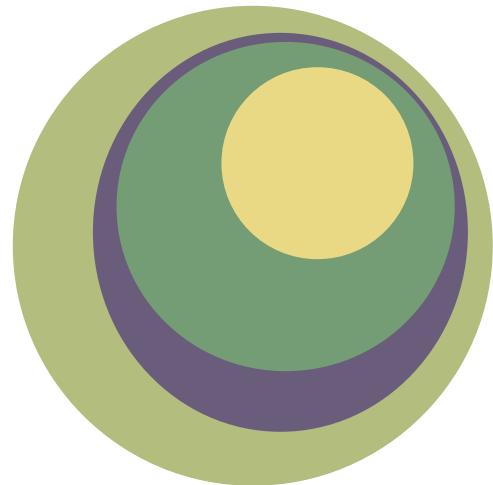
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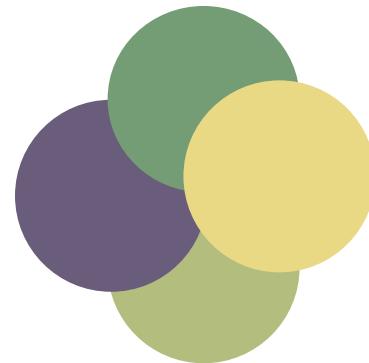
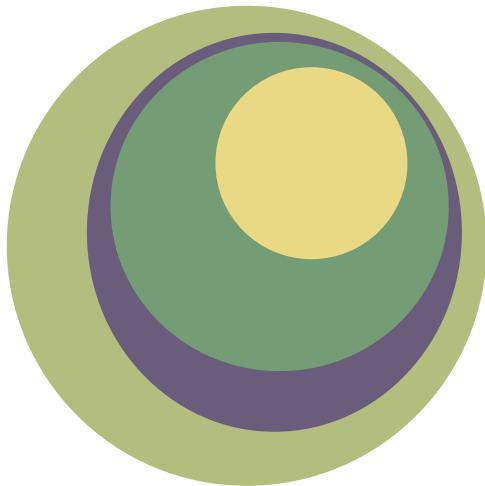
- Bren PhD student studying environmental economics
- Research:
  - Causal inference using satellite data
  - Payments for reforestation



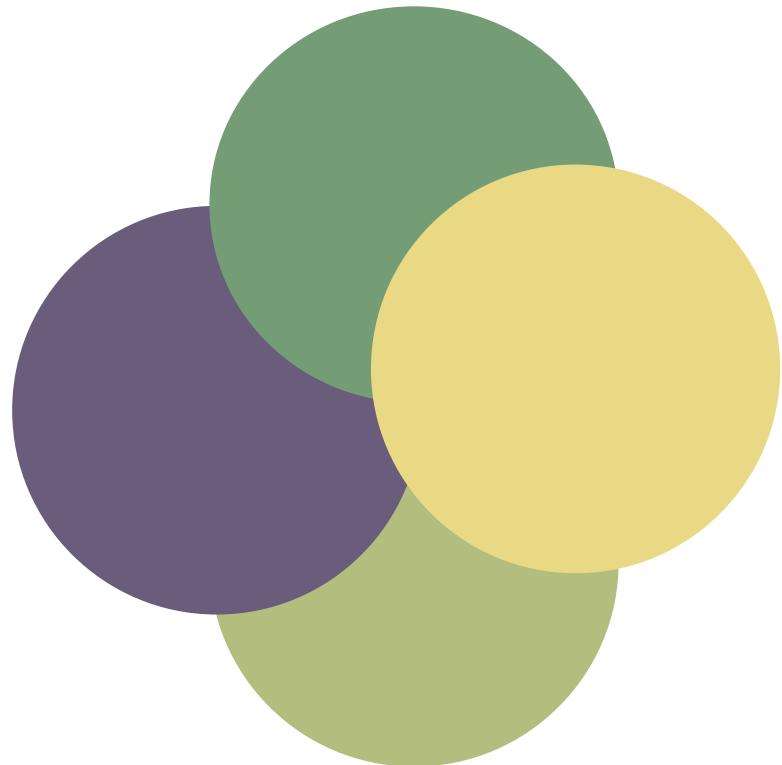
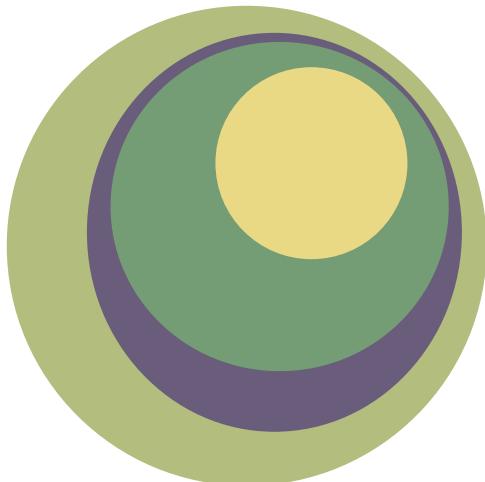
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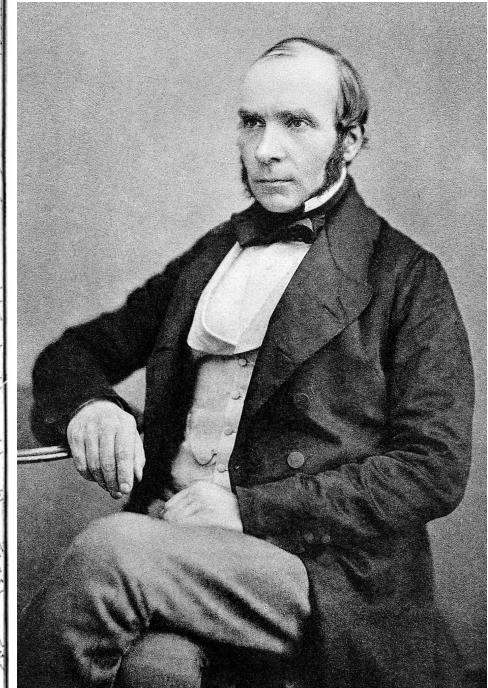
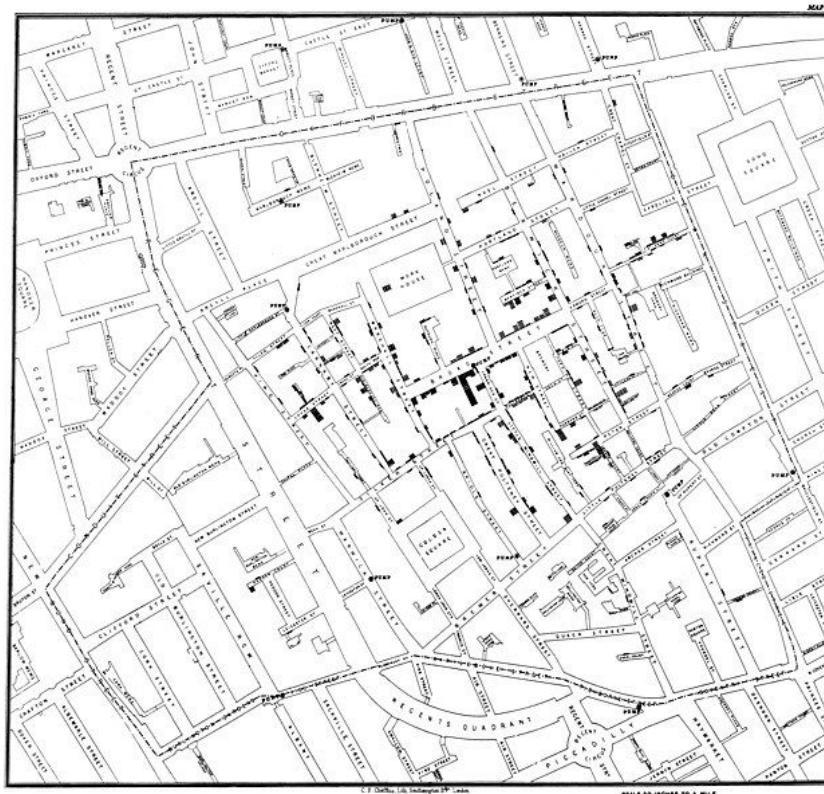
- Emily Jane McTavish

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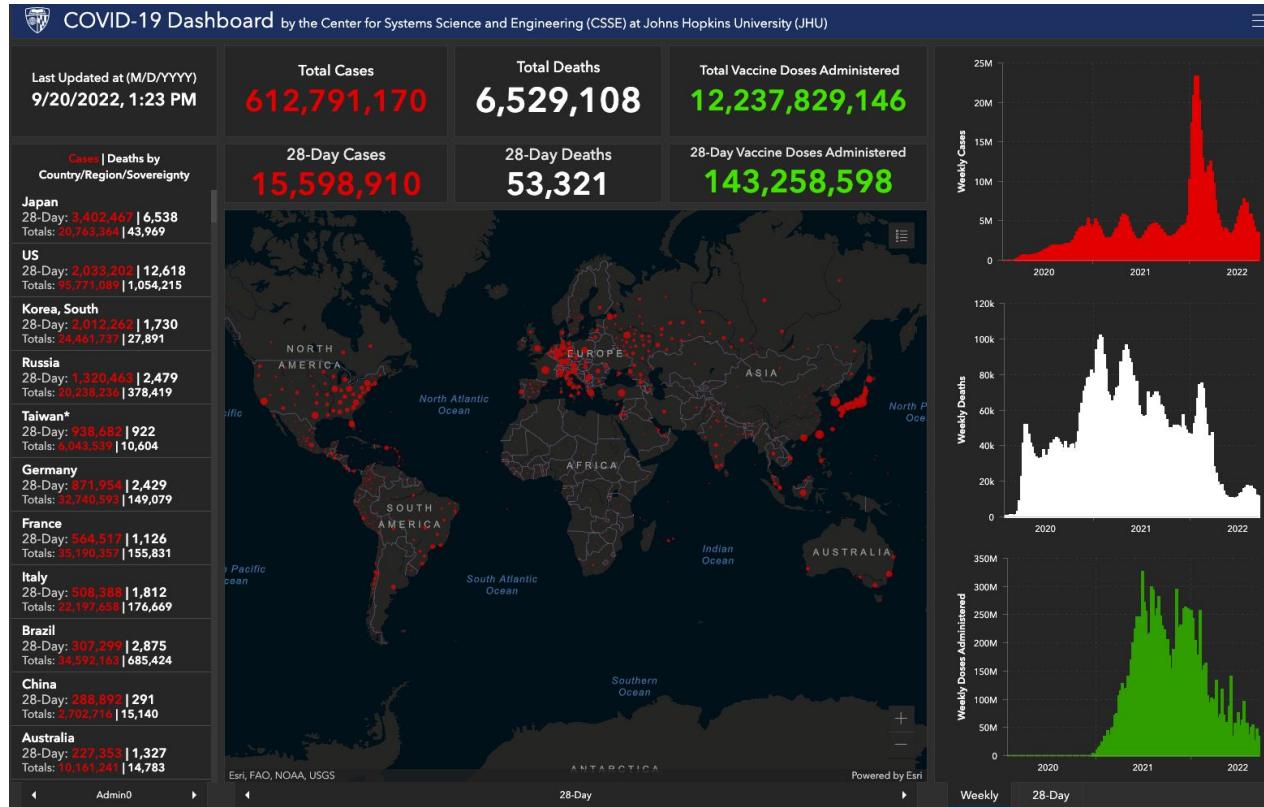
**Everything is related to everything else, but near things are more.**

- Waldo Tobler

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# Our approach



# (very, very) Brief intro to remote sensing



Note: Artist's impression; size of debris exaggerated as compared to the Earth

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Recreation of Moroccan cartographer's Muhammad al-Idrisi's Tabula Rogeriana (1154)



Source: Bibliotheque nationale de France/Wikipedia

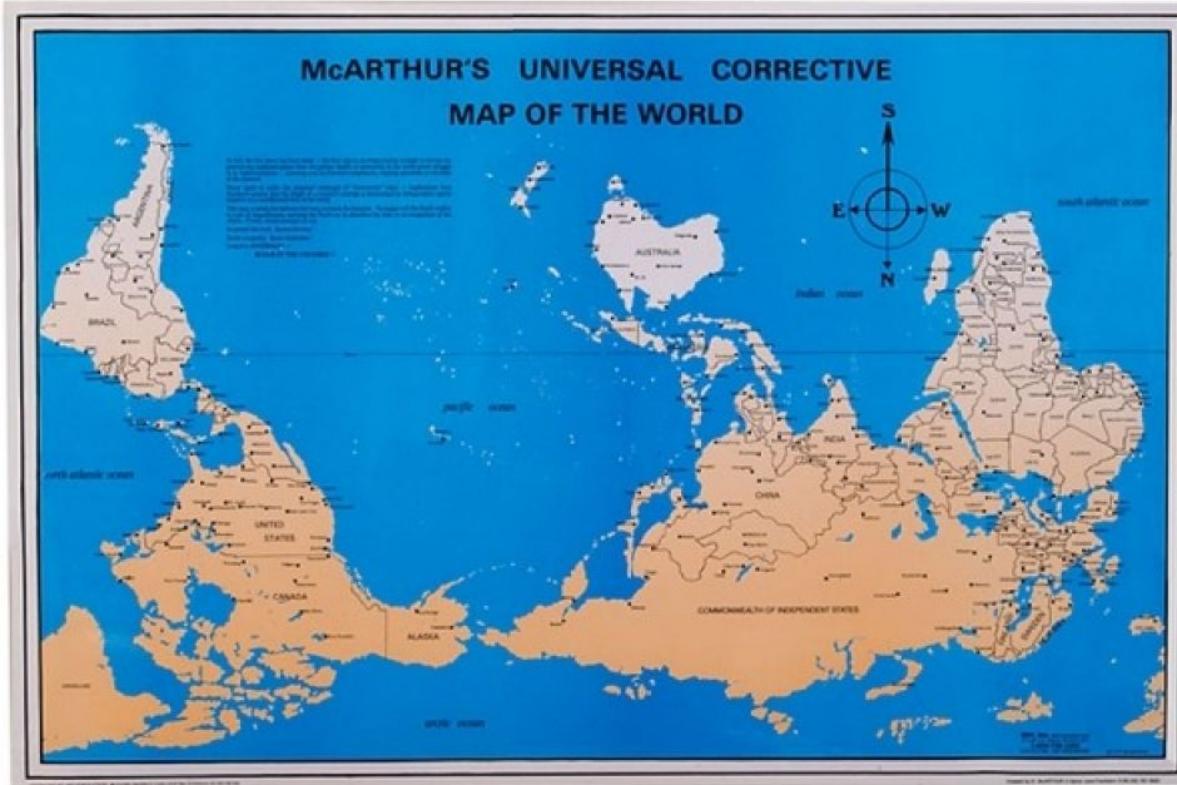
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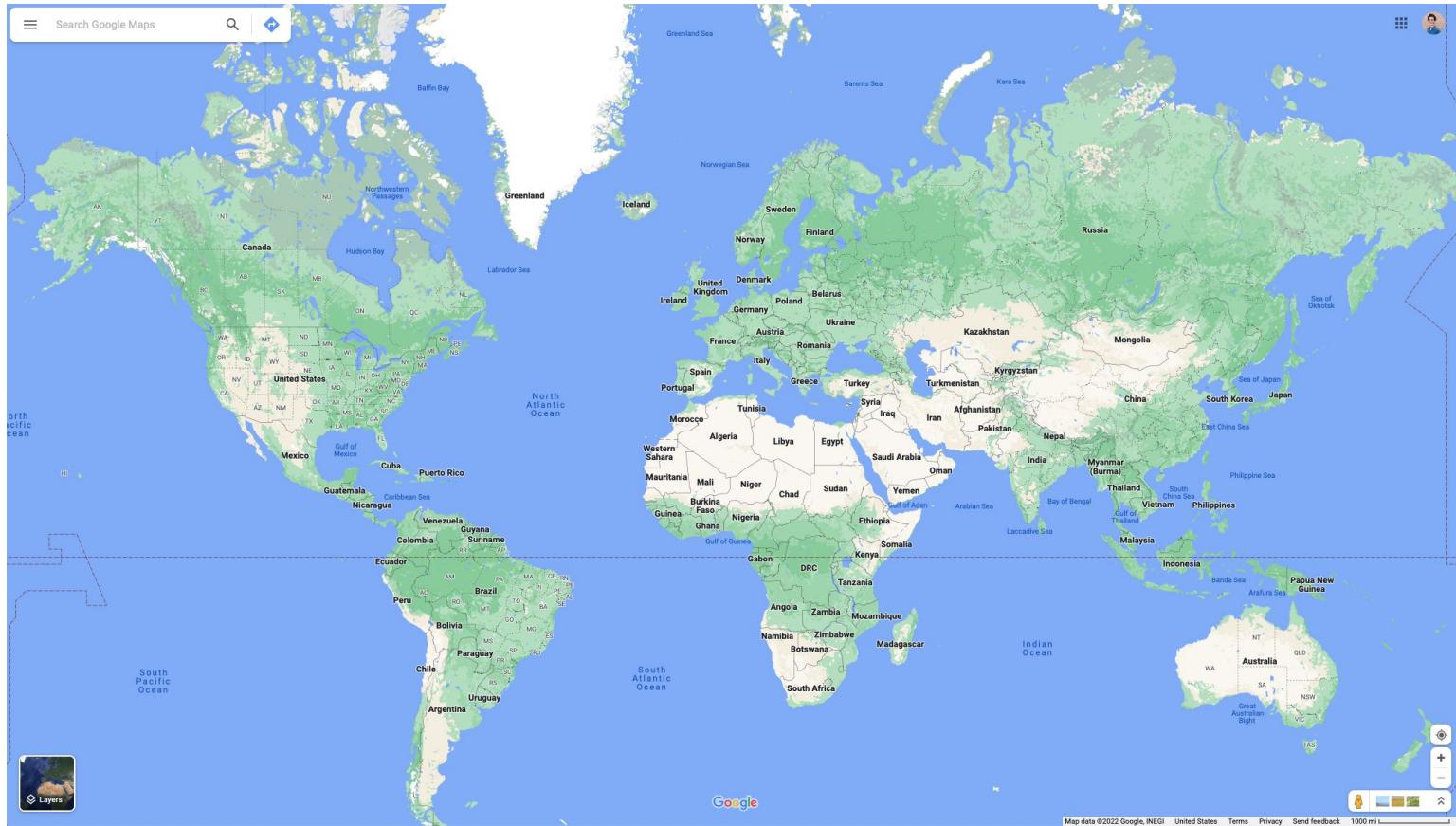
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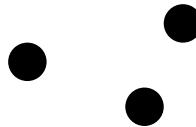
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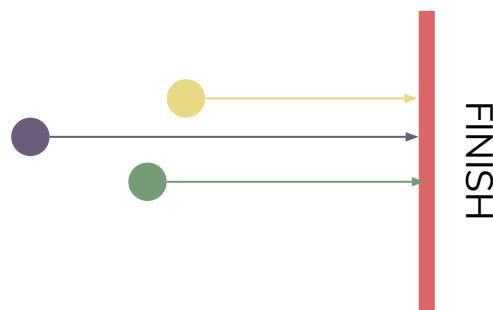
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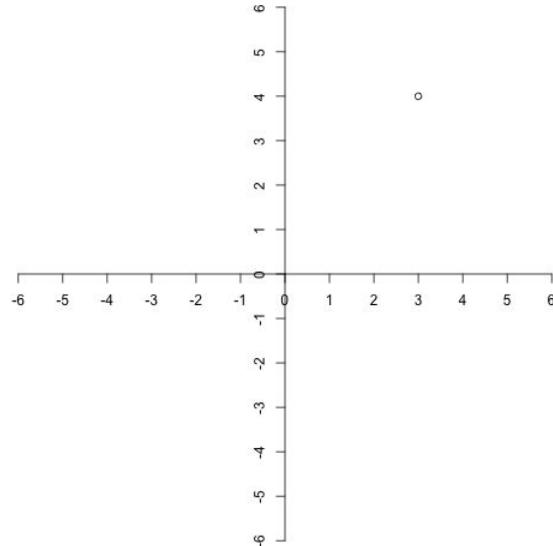
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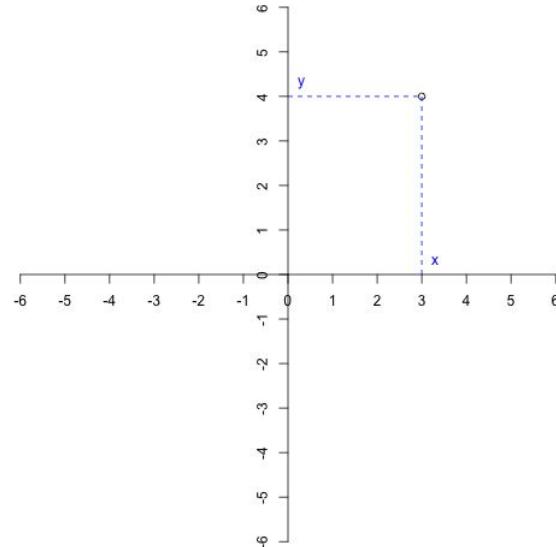
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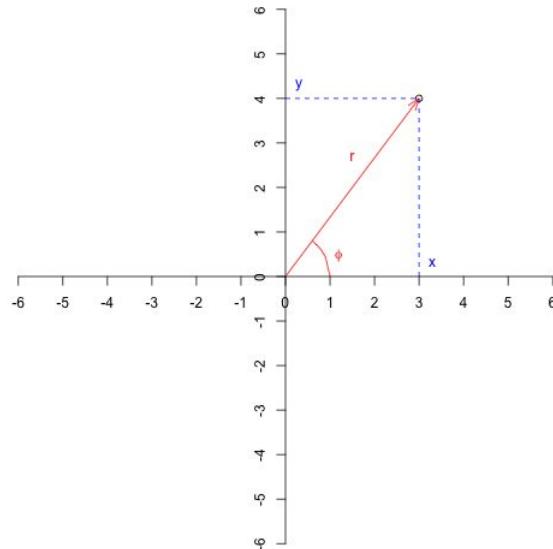
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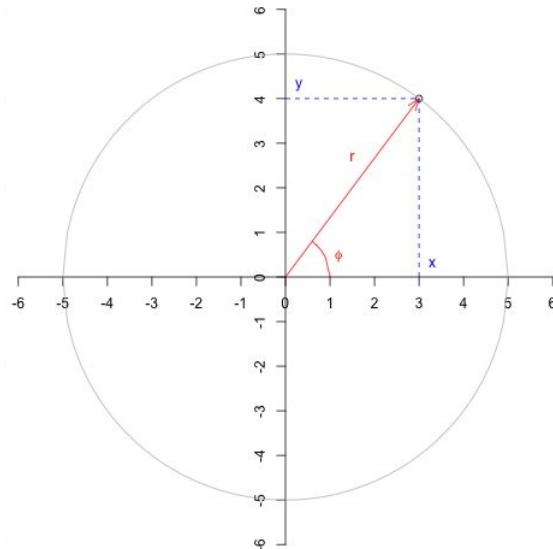
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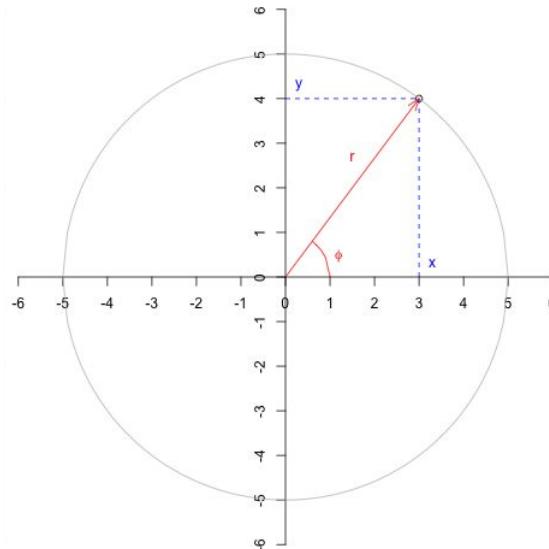
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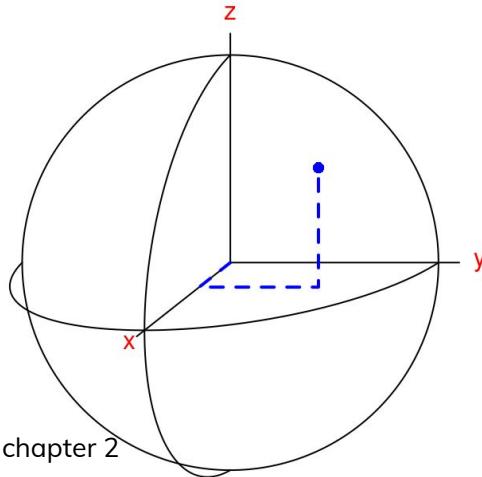
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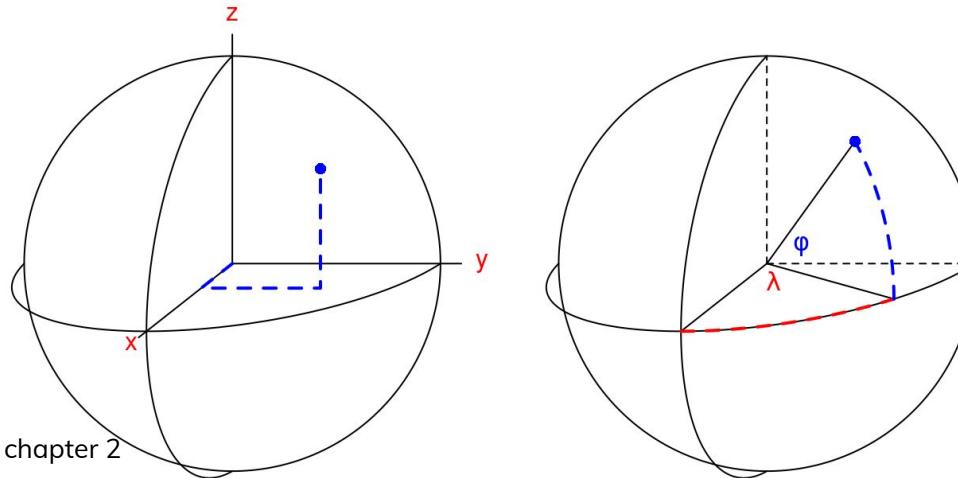
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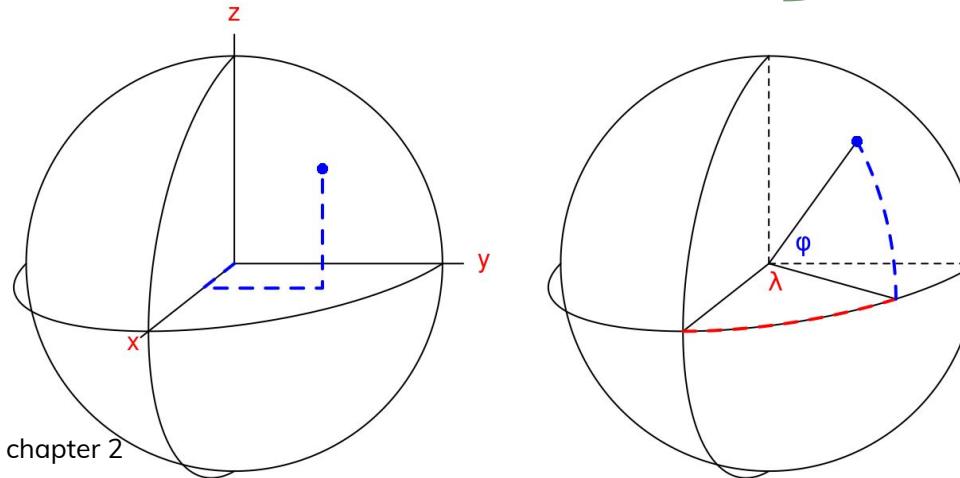
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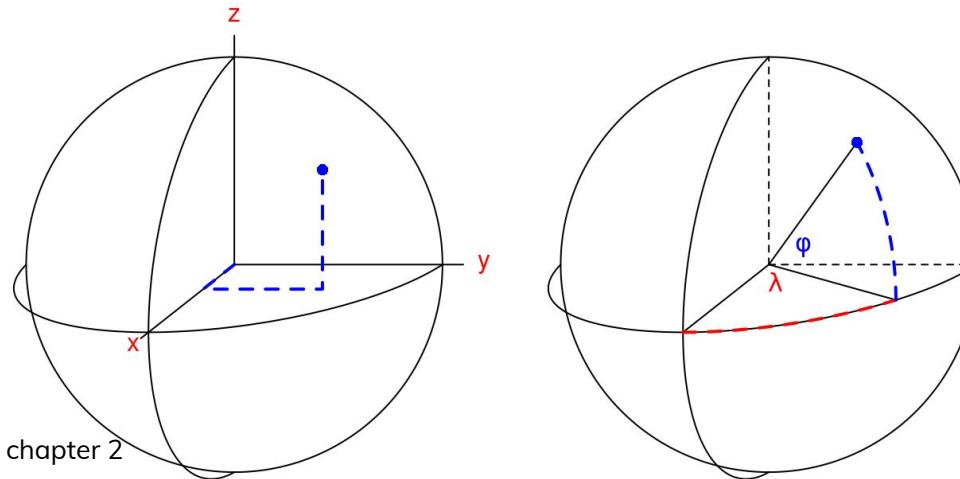
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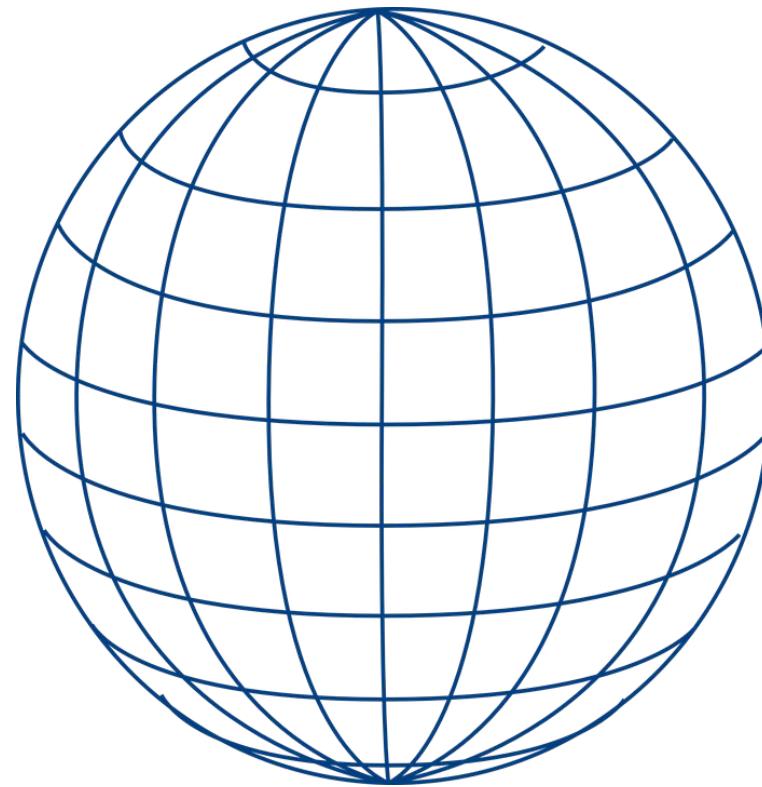


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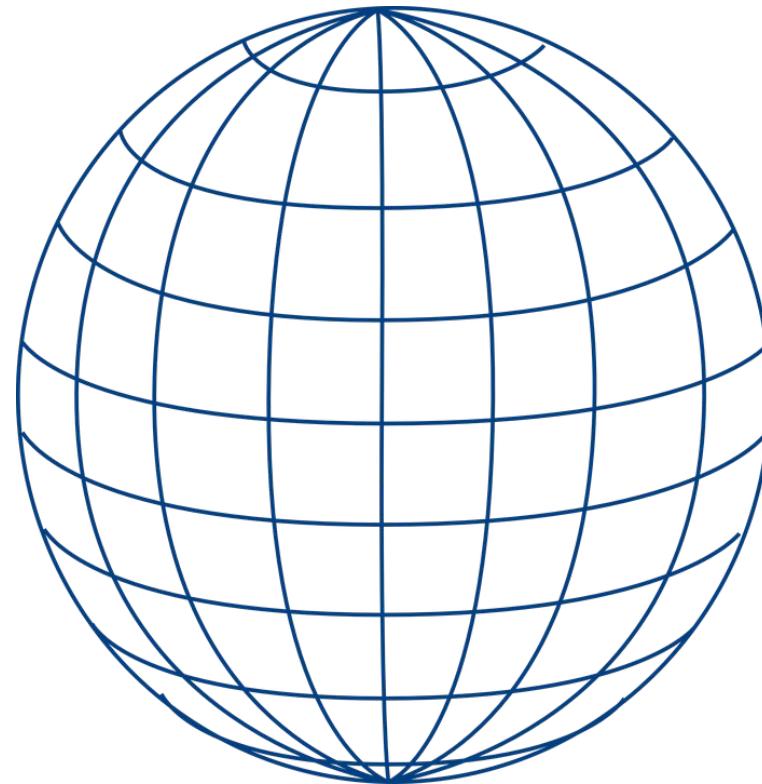


# Mini latitude/longitude refresher



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- **Latitude**
  - ranges from -90 to 90
  - “y”
  - Parallel
- **Longitude**
  - ranges from -180 to 180
  - “x”
  - converge



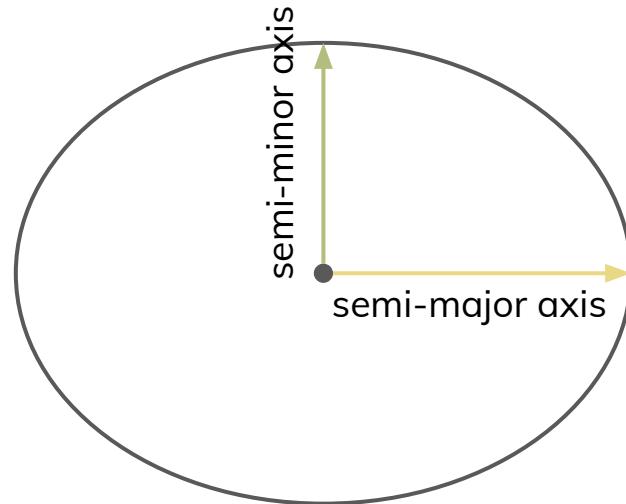
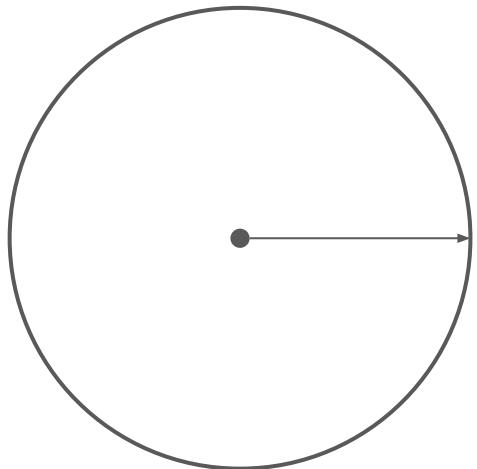
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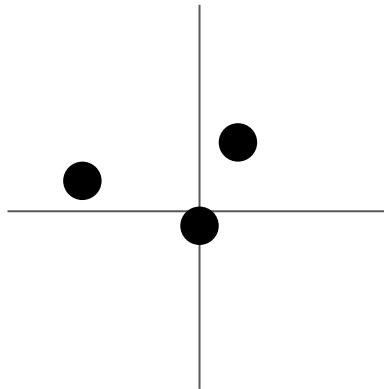
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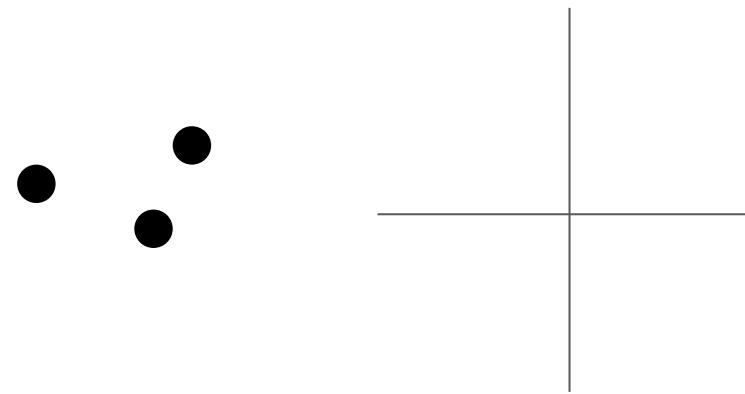
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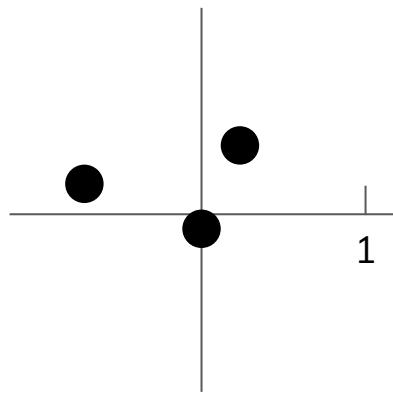
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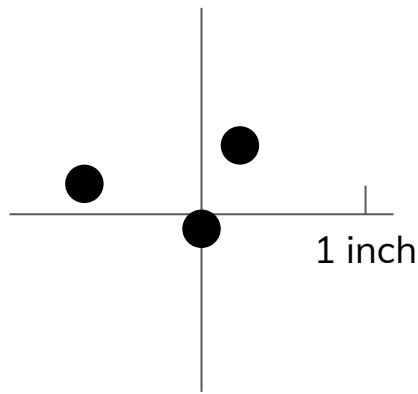
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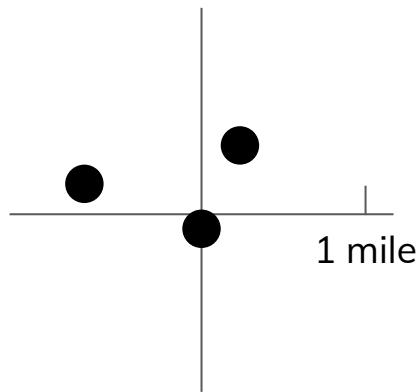
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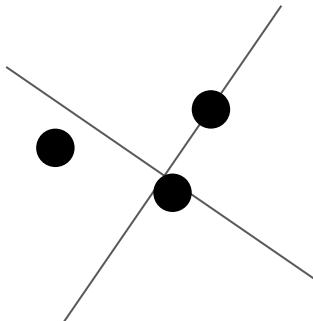
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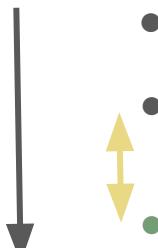
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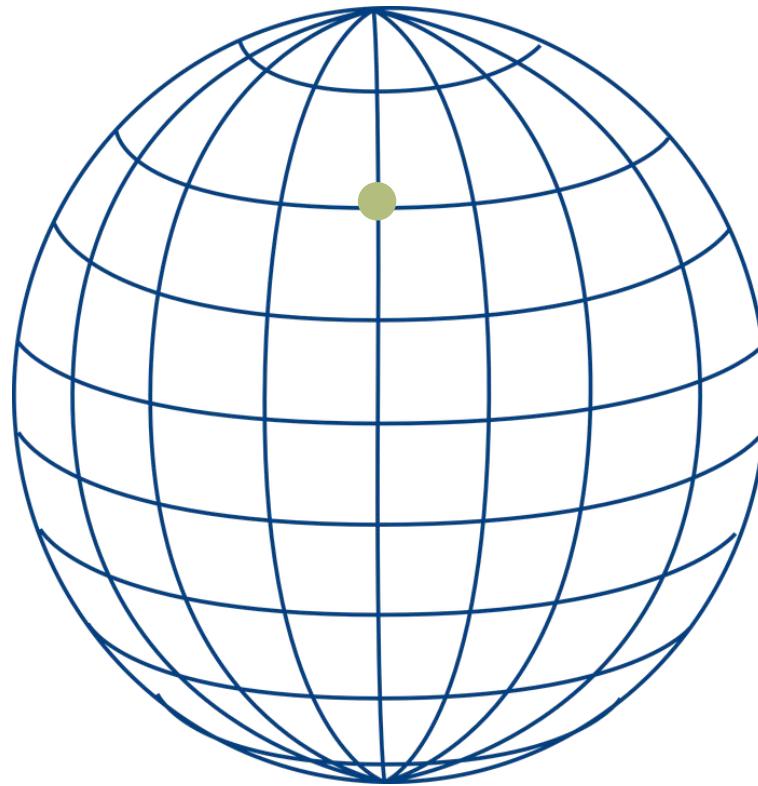
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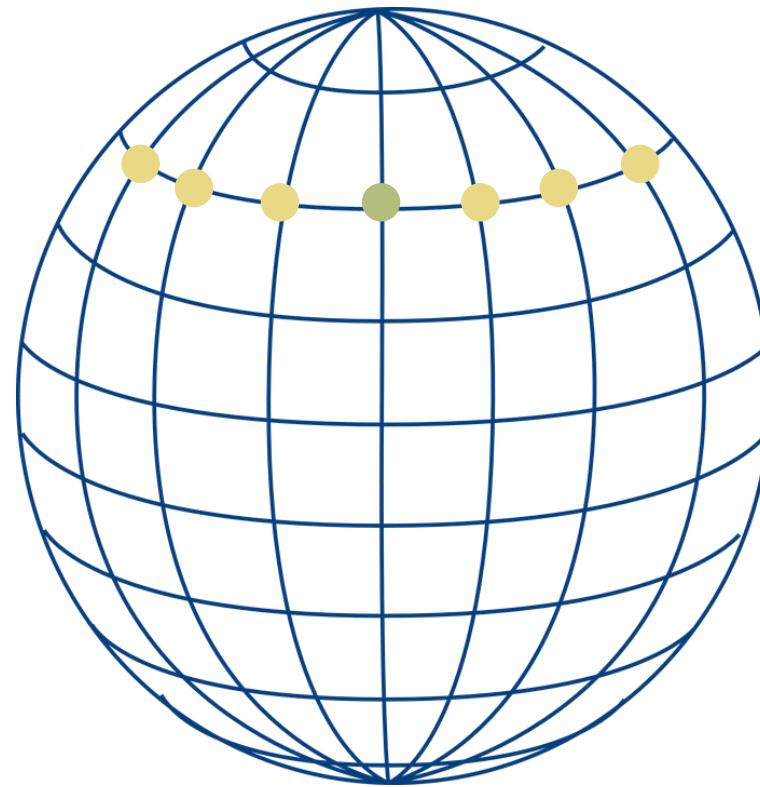
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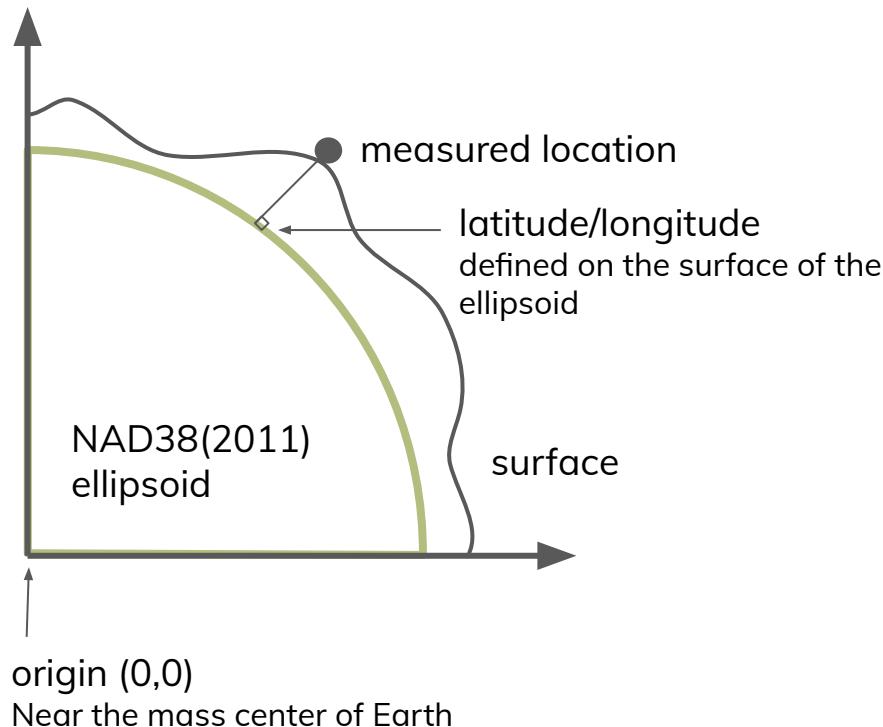
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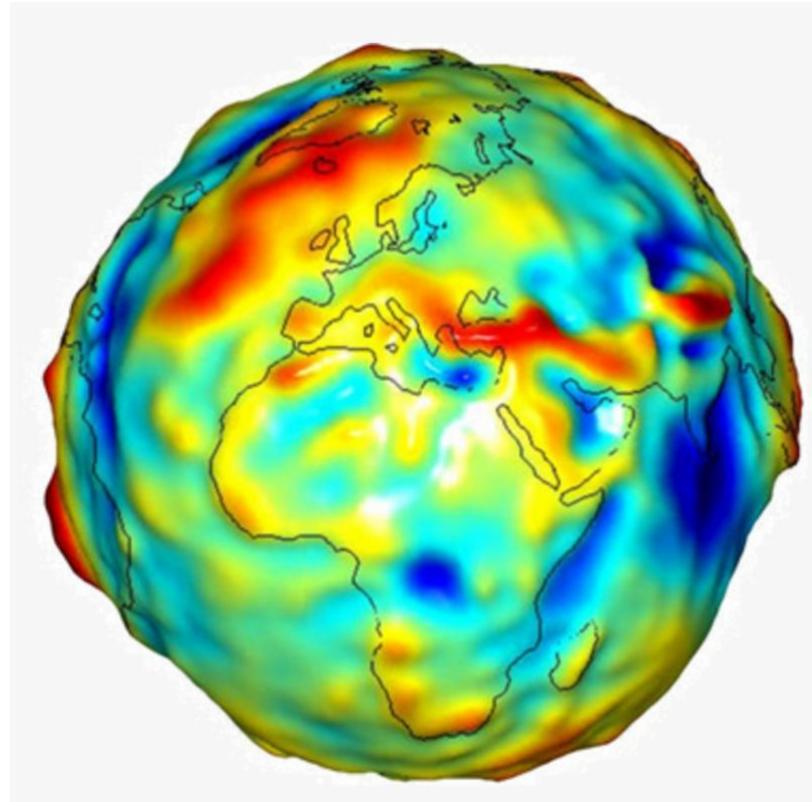
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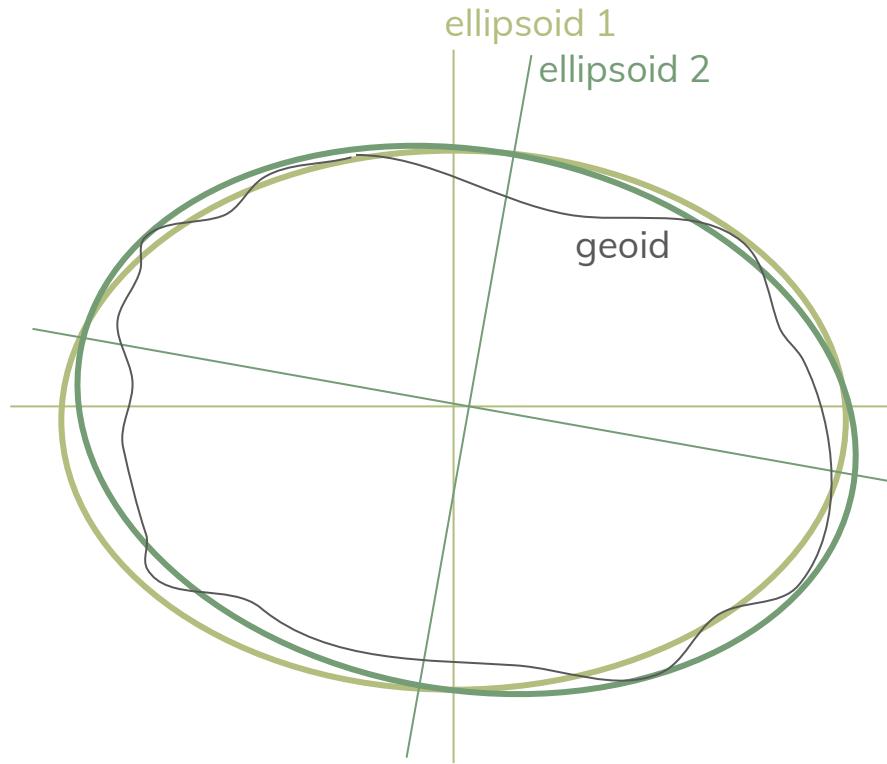
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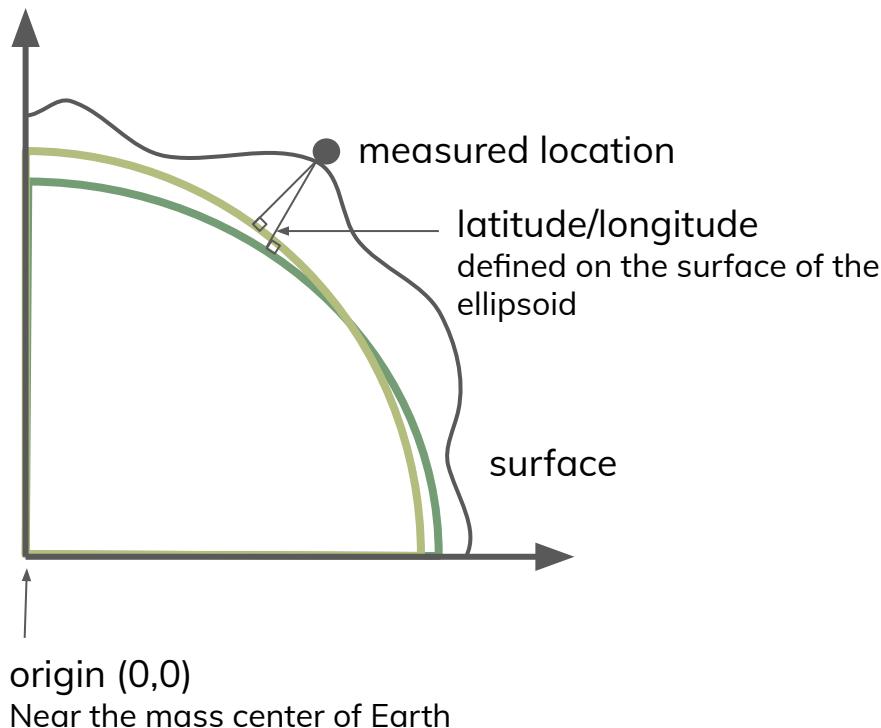
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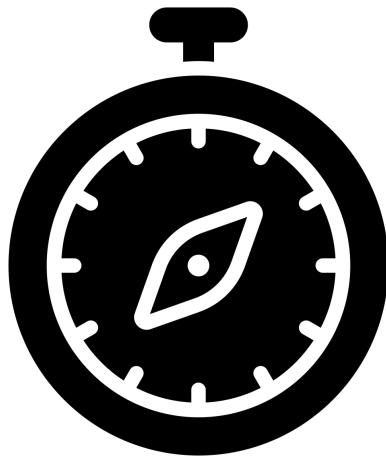
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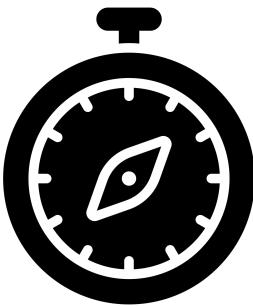
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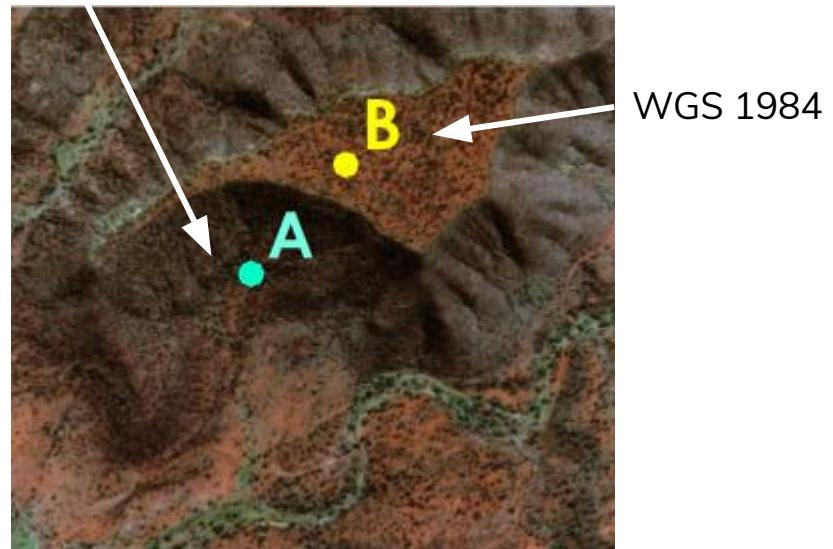
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- A specific CRS comprises the following:
  - Earth ellipsoid
  - Geodetic datum
    - Origin point
    - Unit of measure
  - Map projection (in most but not all cases)

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# Projection

- Mathematical transformation employed to translate a curved surface of a globe on a two-dimensional plane

# All maps are wrong



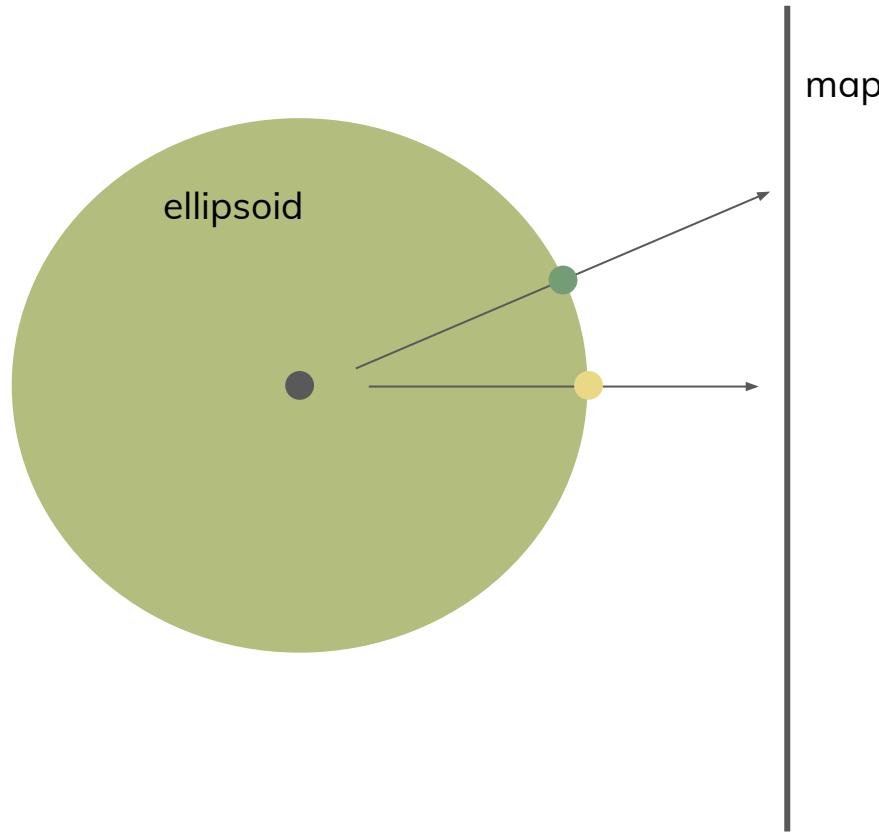
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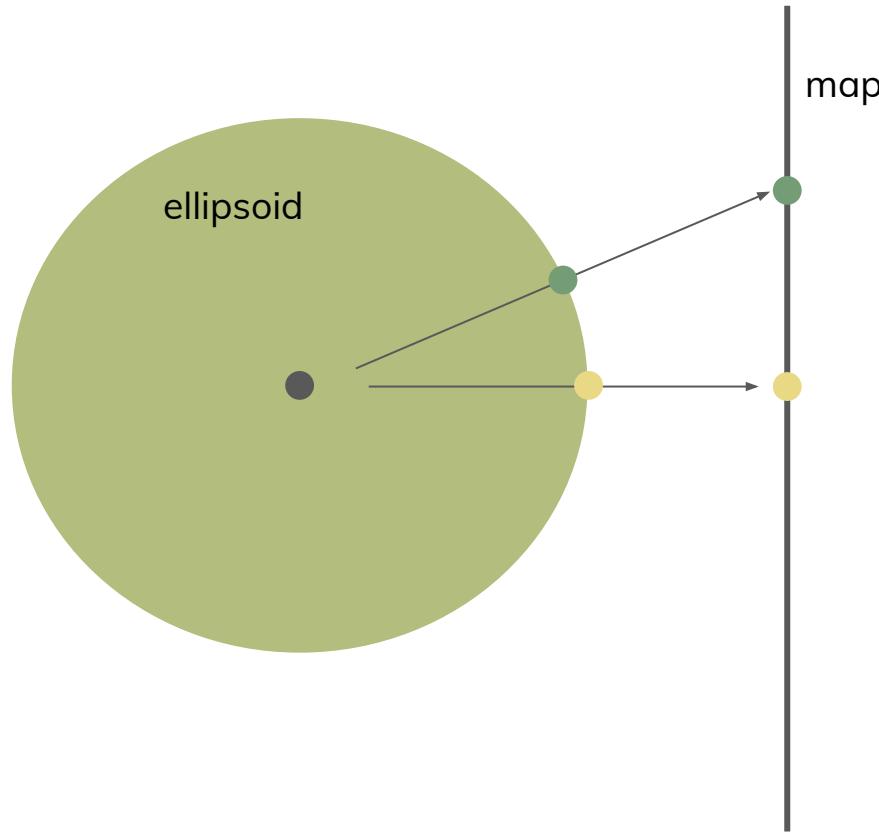


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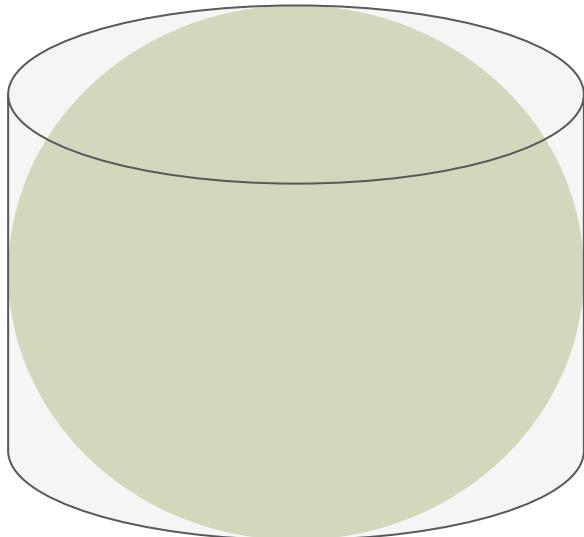
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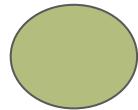
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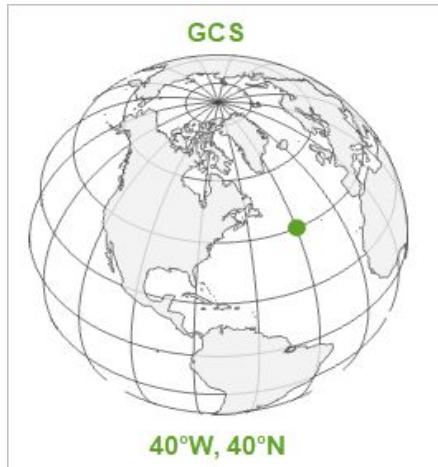


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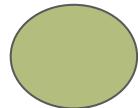
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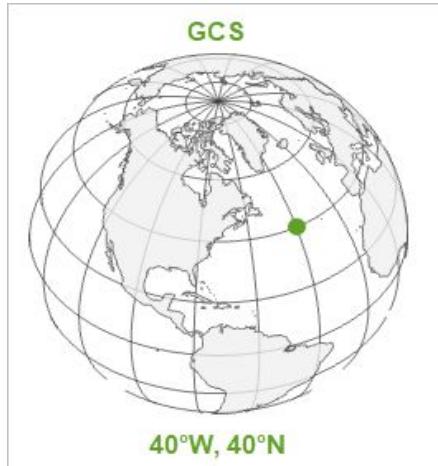


$40^{\circ}\text{W}, 40^{\circ}\text{N}$

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Defines where the data is located on Earth	Provides instructions on how to draw the data onto a flat surface
3D	2D
Describes locations as angles	Describes locations in linear units



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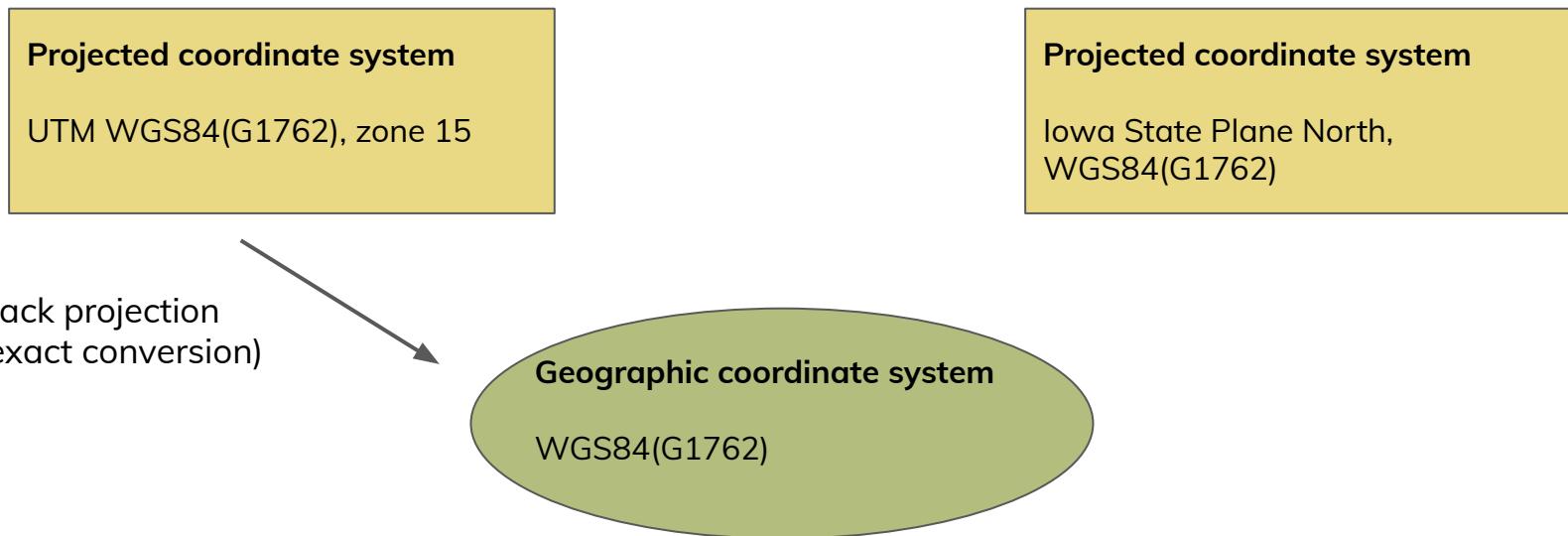
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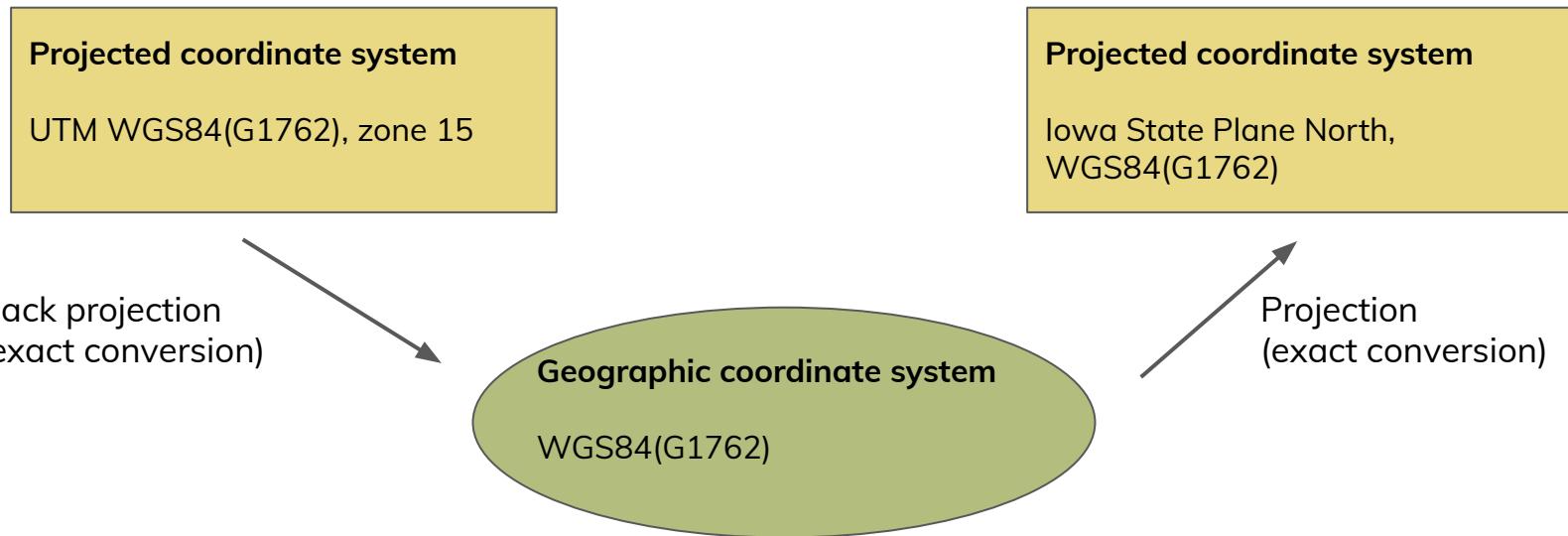
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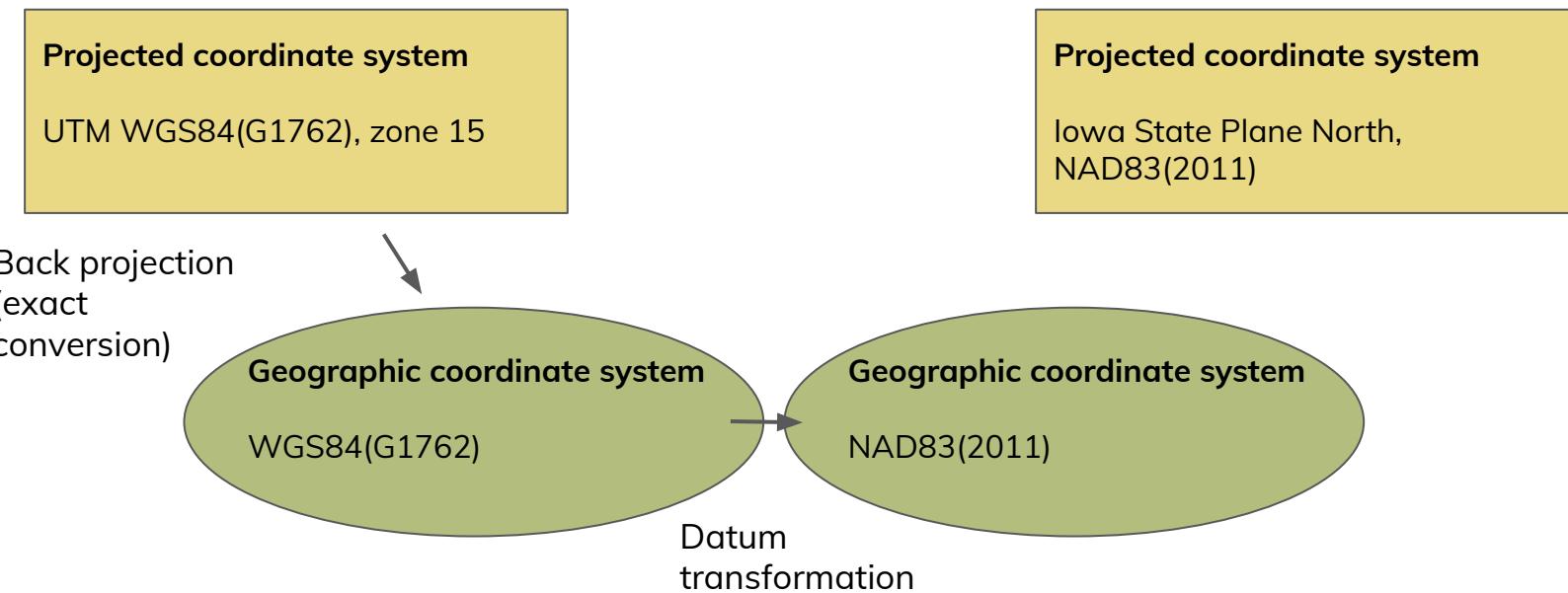
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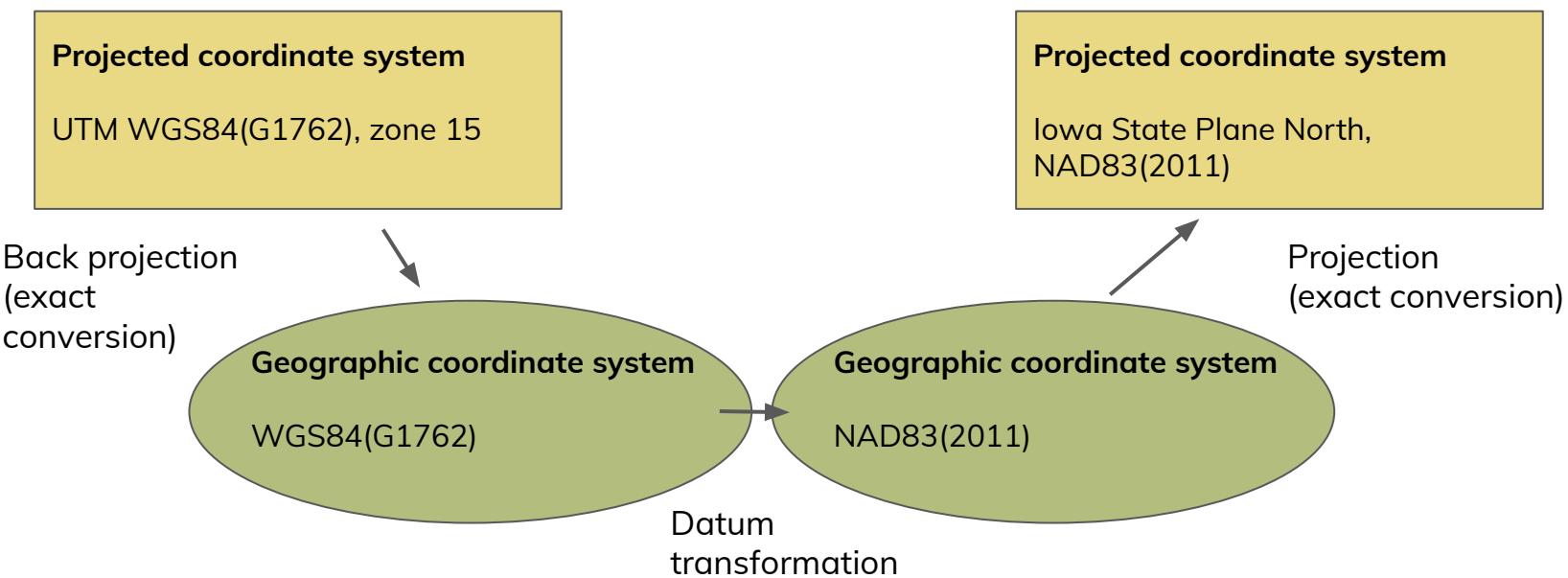
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# Course website

[ryoliver.github.io/EDS\\_223\\_spatial\\_analysis](https://ryoliver.github.io/EDS_223_spatial_analysis)