## Basics of Map Projection

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## Definition of Map Projection

Map projection is the method of transferring the graticule of latitude and longitude on a plane surface. It can also be defined as the transformation of spherical network of parallels and meridians on a plane surface.

## The World Map



## MAP PROJECTIONS



## Developable Surface



Cylindrical


Conical

## Technique at a glance



## Metric properties of maps

Many properties can be measured on the Earth's surface independently of its geography:

* Area
* Shape
* Direction
* Bearing
* Distance


## Design and construction

* Selection of a model for the shape of the Earth or planetary body (usually choosing between a sphere or ellipsoid). Because the Earth's actual shape is irregular, information is lost in this step.
* Transformation of geographic coordinates (longitude and latitude) to Cartesian ( $x, y$ ) or polar ( $r, \theta$ ) plane coordinates. In large-scale maps, Cartesian coordinates normally have a simple relation to eastings and northings defined as a grid superimposed on the projection. In small-scale maps, eastings and northings are not meaningful, and grids are not superimposed.



## Classification of Map Projection

| Criteria | Elements/Controls | Classes/Sub-classes |
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| Exogenetic | Datum Surface | 1. Direct Projection <br> 2. Double Projection <br> 3. Triple Projection |
|  |  | 1st Order 2 2nd Order 3rd Order |
|  | Plane of Projection | 1. Planar a. Tangent (i) Normal <br> 2. Conical b. Secant (ii) Transverse <br> 3. Cylin- c. Poly- (iii) Oblique |
|  | Method of Projection | 1. Perspective <br> 2. Semi-perspective <br> 3. Non-perspective <br> 4. Conventional |
| Endogenetic | Properties | 1. Homolographic <br> 2. Orthomorphic <br> 3. Azimuthal <br> 4. Equidistant |
|  | Appearance of the parallels and meridians | 1. Both parallels and meridians straight. <br> 2. Parallels straight and meridians curves. <br> 3. Parallels curves and meridians <br> straight. <br> 4. Both parallels and meridians curves. <br> 5. Parallels concentric circles and meridians radiating straight lines. <br> 6. Parallels concentric circles and meridians curves. <br> 7. Parallels irregular curves and meridians radiating straight lines. <br> 8. Both parallels and meridians curves. |

Thank You!

