

where:

LAT1 & LONG1 = coordinates of one location in decimal degrees
 LAT2 & LONG2 = coordinates of second location in decimal degrees
 LATM = middle latitude between points
 LATK = kilometres per degree of latitude difference
 LONGK = kilometres per degree of longitude difference
 LAT = north-south distance in kilometres
 LONG = east-west distance in kilometres, and
 DIST = distance between two reference points in kilometres

In computing the above, sufficient decimal figures shall be used to determine the distance to the nearest kilometre.

2. Calculation of Azimuth

In some instances, it is necessary to calculate the angle or azimuth between true north and the connecting radial from one reference point to another.

- 2.1 Convert latitude and longitude into degrees and decimal parts of a degree.
 2.2 Determine the arc length in degrees between the two reference locations.

$$d = \cos^{-1} [\sin(\text{LAT2}) \sin(\text{LAT1}) + \cos(\text{LAT2}) \cos(\text{LAT1}) \cos(\text{LONG1} - \text{LONG2})]$$

- 2.3 Calculate the azimuth. (If the second location is west of the initial location, subtract the result from 360°; i.e., 360 - AZM).

$$\text{AZM} = \cos^{-1} \left[\frac{\sin(\text{LAT2}) - \sin(\text{LAT1}) \cos(d)}{\cos(\text{LAT1}) \sin(d)} \right]$$

where:

LAT1 & LONG1 = coordinates of initial location in decimal degrees;
 LAT2 & LONG2 = coordinates of second location in decimal degrees;
 d = arc length between locations in decimal degrees;
 AZM = angle between true north (0 degrees) and the connecting radial in decimal degrees in a clockwise direction.

In computing the above, sufficient decimal figures shall be used to determine the azimuth to the nearest degree.