AST 2134: ObLab 2 Sep 3, 2025

- Poles, great circles, small circles, great arcs, small arcs
- Spherical triangles: points, sides, angles
  - Radius?
- Length of the great circle arc
- Length of the small circle arc
- Terrestrial coordinate system:
  - latitude and longitude origin of the names?
  - o parallels and meridians; equator and principal meridian
  - o measuring latitude and longitude
  - colatitude
  - o distance between two cities at the same latitude
  - nautical miles and knots
- Fundamental formula of spherical trigonometry
- Try it yourself:
  - Convert 17°35'47" into decimal representation.
  - Convert -48.720535° into dms representation.
  - Calculate the length of 1 nautical mile in km (and miles).
  - Calculate the speed of 1 knot in m/s and in km/h (and miles/h).
  - Calculate the arc length of the flight between Philadelphia (39°57'8.3"N, 75°9'49.7"W) and Ljubljana (46°3'3.9"N, 14°30'18.5"E) if the plane flies at an altitude of 12km.