Cartography Doç. Dr. Erkan Yılmaz

- Shape of Earth
 - Earth is flat, or disk
 - Earth is globe
 - Measurements of Earth size
 - Earth is ellipsoid
 - > Earth is geoit.

Earth is flat, or disk



Map drawn by Anaximenes (550-480 BCE) showing that the Earth is flat, rectangular (from L.A.Brown, 1949 - T.Bilgin, 1983).



Cosmas Indicopleustes



The Flammarion engraving (1888) depicts a traveler who arrives at the edge of a flat Earth and sticks his head through the firmament.



Isidore T and O Maps

Earth is flat, or disk



The universe and worldview in ancient Mesopotamian civilizations (İ.H.Akyol, 1951).

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(Elibüyük, 2000; Gürsoy, 1961)

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- 8- Images from spaces
- 9- Geographical Travels at Middle Age

Christopher Columbus The Magellan expedition





Measurements related to the size of the Earth

- Eratosthenes Measurement
- Poseidonios Measurement
- Marzavi Sanad ibn Ali and Usturlabi Bukhtari Measurement
- Al Biruni Measurement
- Fernel Measurement

Actual Values

Physical characteristics	
Mean radius	6371.0 km
Equatorial radius	6378.137 km
Polar radius	6356.752 km
Flattening	1/298.257222101
Circumference	•40075.017 km <u>equatorial</u> •40007.86 km <u>meridional</u>

Initial Measurements

According to Aristotle's calculation, the circumference of the Earth is 400,000 stadia. 63,000 km B.C. According to the calculation in 300, the circumference of the Earth is 300,000 stadia. 47,250 km

Eratosthenes Measurement

Main Logic





Poseidonios Measurement

Main Logic



Marzavi - Sanad ibn Ali and Usturlabi - Buhtari Measuruments



8. and 9. c.

 $1^{\circ} arc = 57 Arabic Mile$ 1 Arabic Mile = 1973 m $1^{\circ} arc = 56.25 Arabic Mile$

Circumference = 112461m * 360 = 40.485.960m

Circumference = 110981*m* * 360 = 39.953.250*m*

Main Logic



 $1^{o}arc = 112461m$

 $1^{o}arc = 110981,3m$

Al-Biruni Measurement



 $\cos \alpha = \frac{R}{hypotenuse}$ $\cos \alpha = \frac{R}{R+h}$ $R = \cos \alpha (R+h)$ $= \cos \alpha * R + \cos \alpha * h$ $R = \frac{(h*\cos \alpha)}{(1-\cos \alpha)}$ R = 3333 Arabic Mile R = 3333*1973m = 6576km $2\pi R = 2*3,14*6576$ = 41297km

B

R

α

A'

h

R

adjacent

Jean Fernel Measurement



Main logic

1525

 $2\pi R$

α

 $1^{o} arc = 110.6 km$

CofE= 39,820 km

360





Earth is elipsoide.

XVII. century









Earth is geoid.

While developments in geophysical science continue rapidly, According to the measurements and calculations made in the second half of the XIX. century, the fact that the Earth has a unique shape, which cannot be defined mathematically, has emerged.

This unique shape is determined with the help of measurements made with physics methods in general and it is called geoid.

The shape formed by the surface's perpendicular to the plumb line from every point on the earth is called a geoid.

