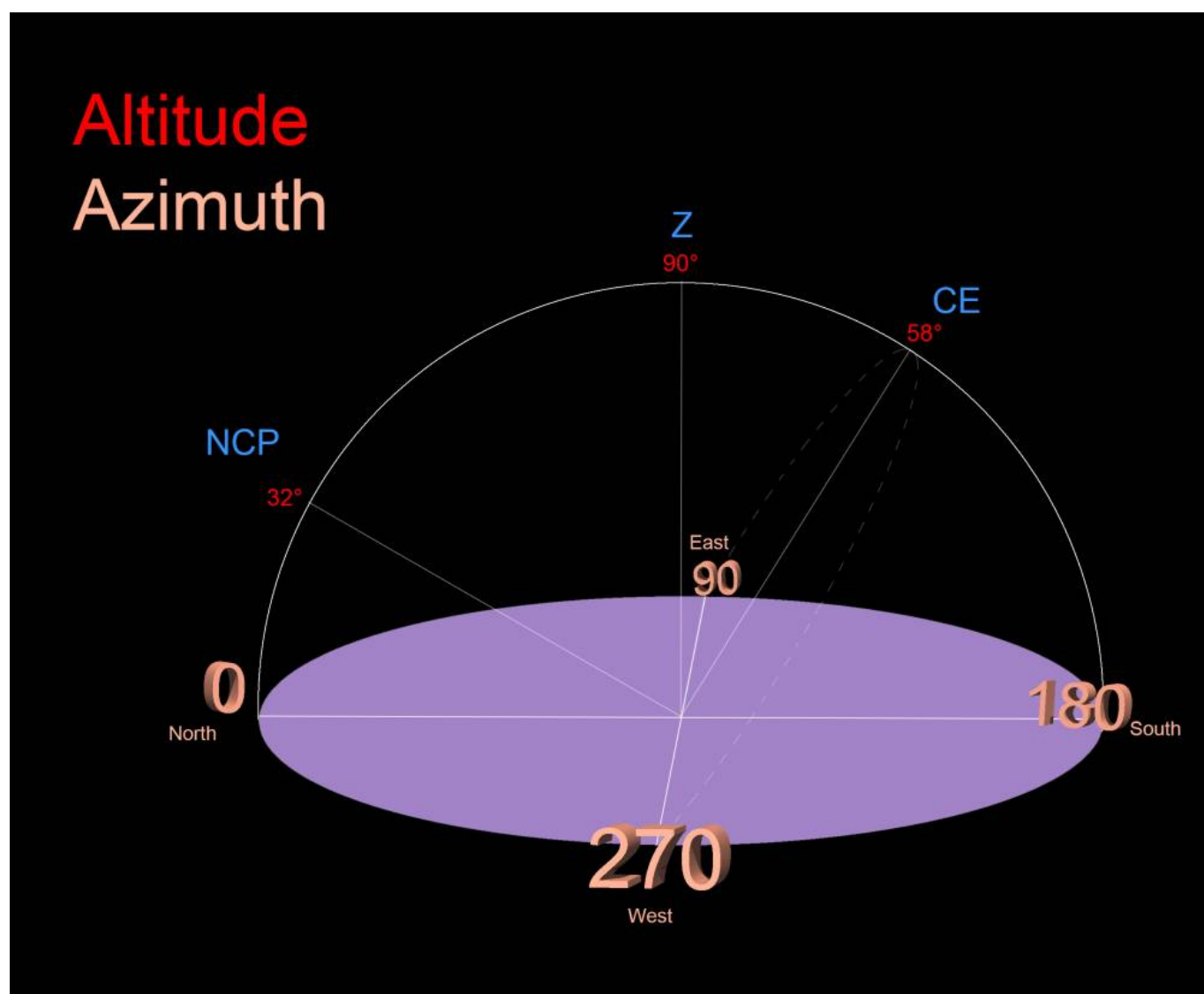


Celestial Coordinates

Please use the diagrams below to assist in pointing a telescope or understanding where something is in the sky.

Altitude, Azimuth

Typically for an equatorial mount, this coordinate system is used to point the telescope for engineering or maintenance purposes. Altitude (or synonymously Elevation) is the angle in degrees above the local horizon. Azimuth is the angle in degrees from the North point (going through East). For example due south is 180° Azimuth.



Hour Angle, Declination

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