

The South Pole is a special point because it exists at  $90^\circ S$  and also at *any* value for  $E$  and  $W$ , because once we're at  $90^\circ S$  we're already at the South Pole, and if we go East or West in any direction we're just just spinning around a point. This means for the South Pole in this question we just use  $90^\circ S, 153^\circ E$ . Then the maths is easy.

$$90^\circ - 27^\circ = 63^\circ.$$

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{63}{360} \times 2\pi \times 6400 &= 7037.16754404\dots \\ &= 7037 \text{ km (to the nearest kilometre).} \end{aligned}$$