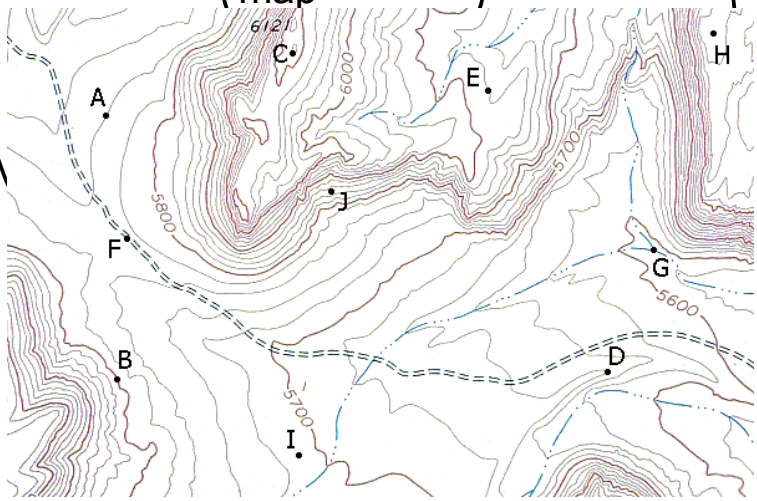
a map

mountains, valleys, etc

shows surface features

elevations

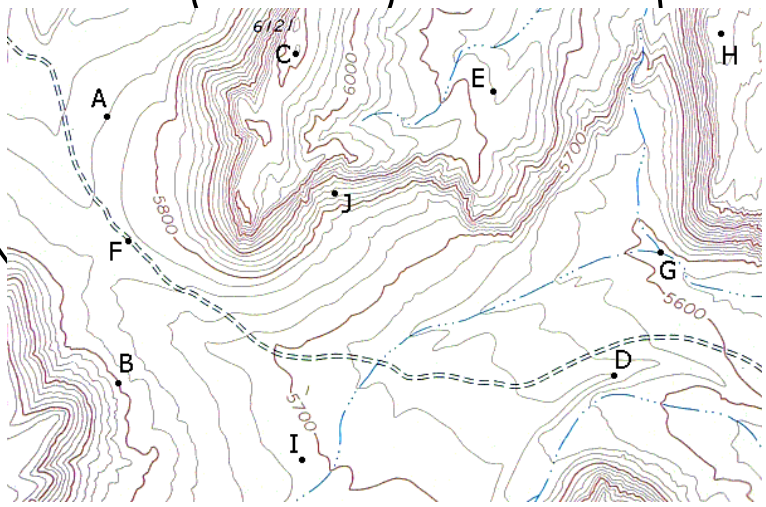
topographical map



connects points with same elevation

elevation labels

contour line

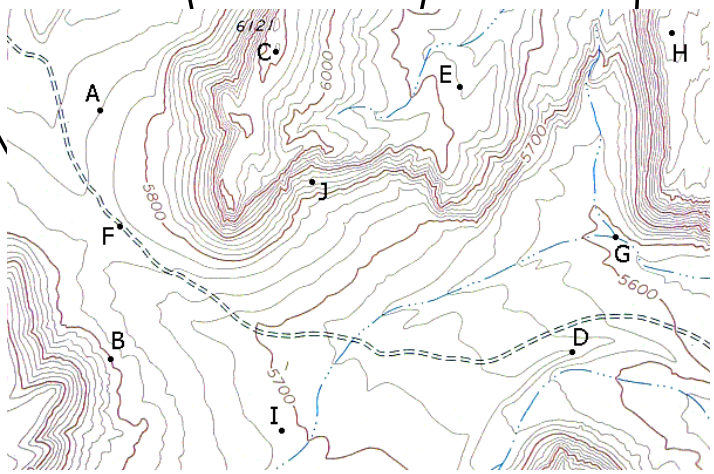


the elevation between lines

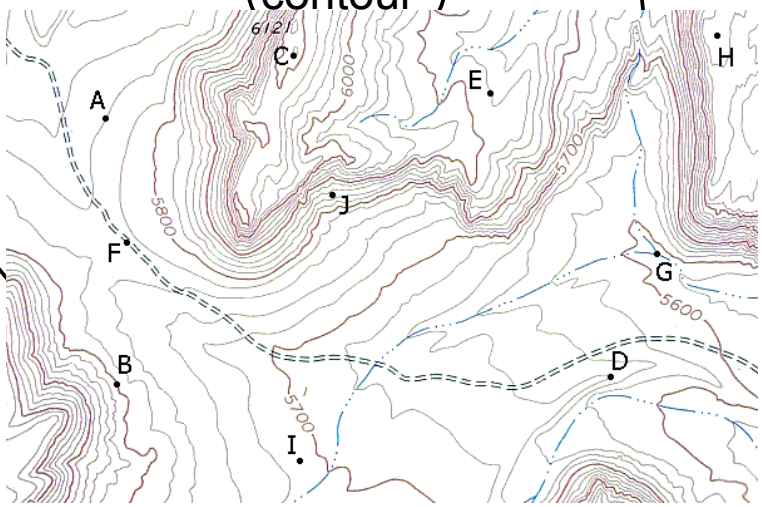
always the same on one map

tells you how steep the land is

contour interval



special contour lines

labeled with the elevation

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