

# I wasn't fooled into thinking the Star Wars trench run was along the equatorial trench, but I was fooled anyway

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The Internet appears to have awakened to the surprise that the trench run that serves as the climax of the original *Star Wars* movie doesn't take place along the Death Star's equatorial trench, but rather takes place along a smaller north-south trench.

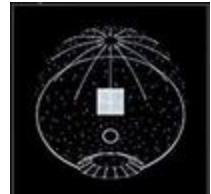
I have to say that I was not fooled into thinking that it was the equatorial trench. But I was fooled anyway.

Based on the graphics in the briefing sequence, I was led to believe that the attack route was a dive into the Death Star's core. I mean, look at it: The line goes from the north pole straight down to what appears to be the center of the Death Star.

I kept waiting for the fighters to stop putzing around on the surface and make their final dive into the core, but it never happened.

Oh well. I enjoyed the movie anyway.

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