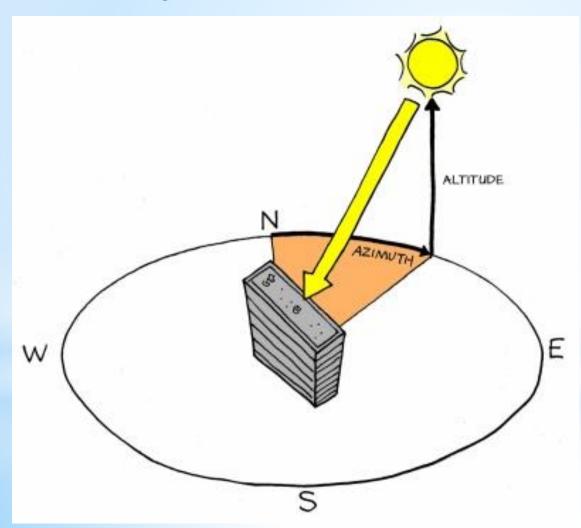
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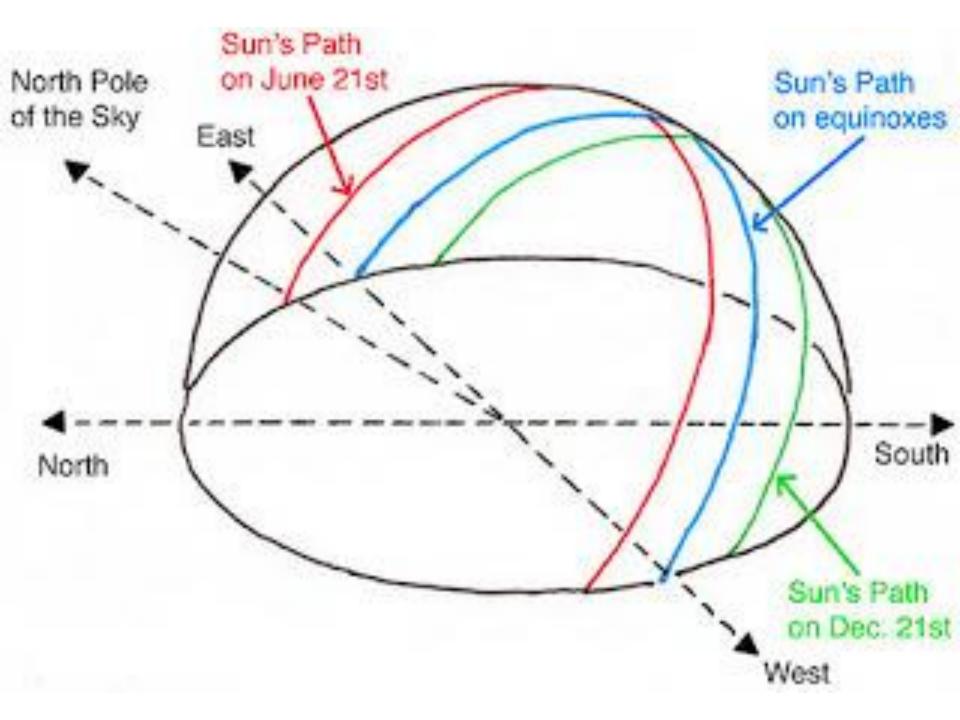


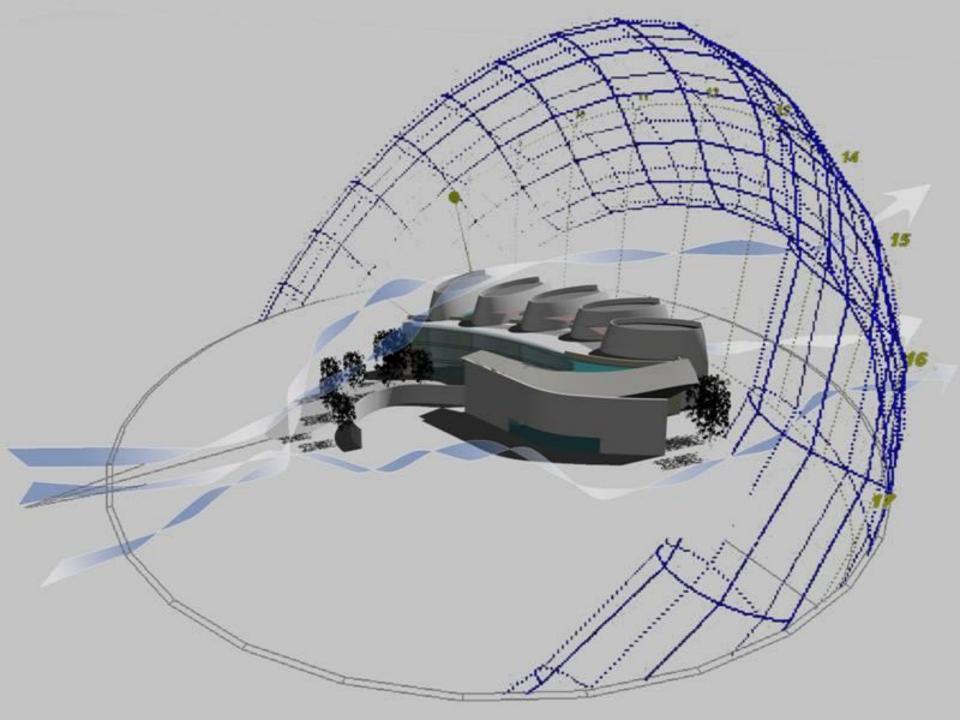
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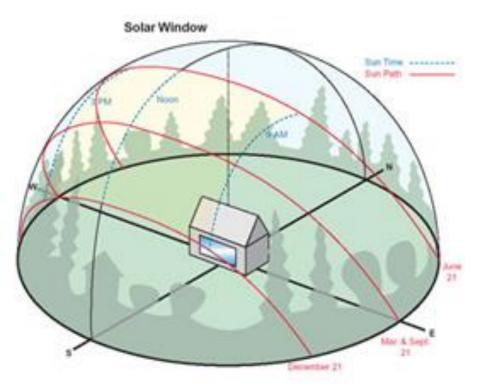
#### Sun Path and Solar Position

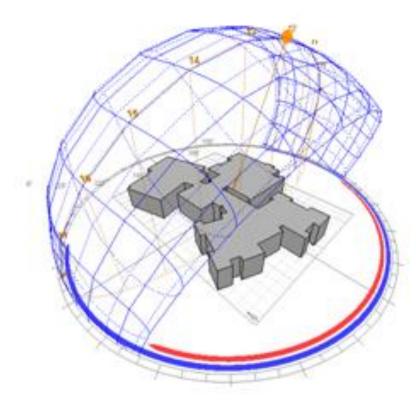
The first thing to understand is the sun's path at your location. At any given point on the sun's path, its height in the sky is called its *altitude* and its horizontal angle relative to true north called its *azimuth*.







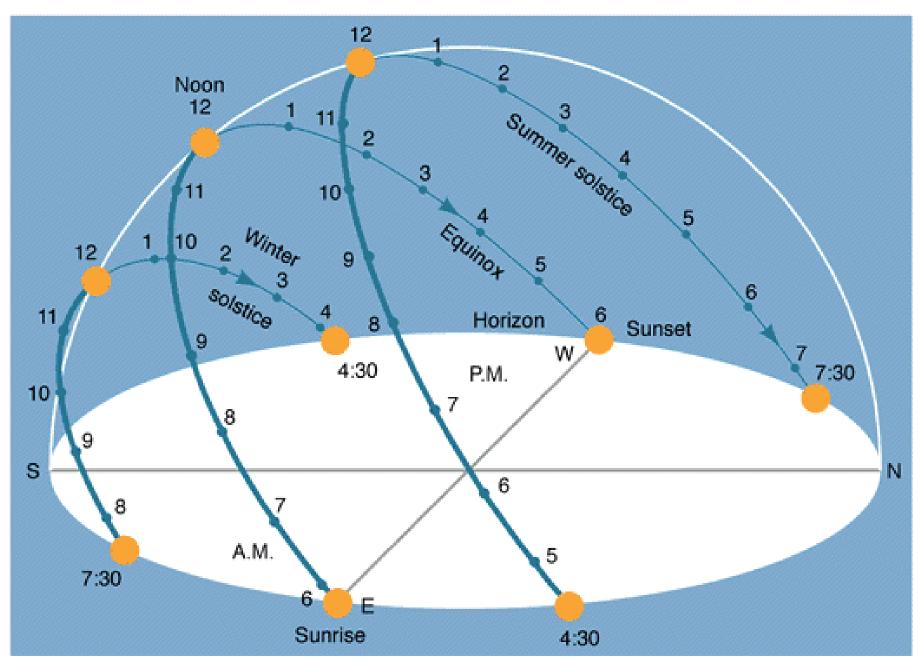




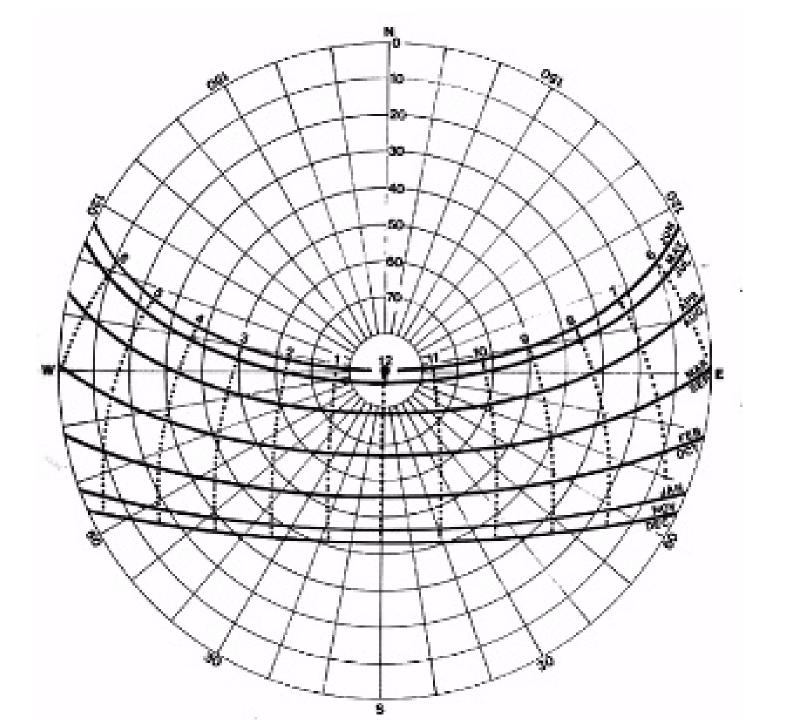
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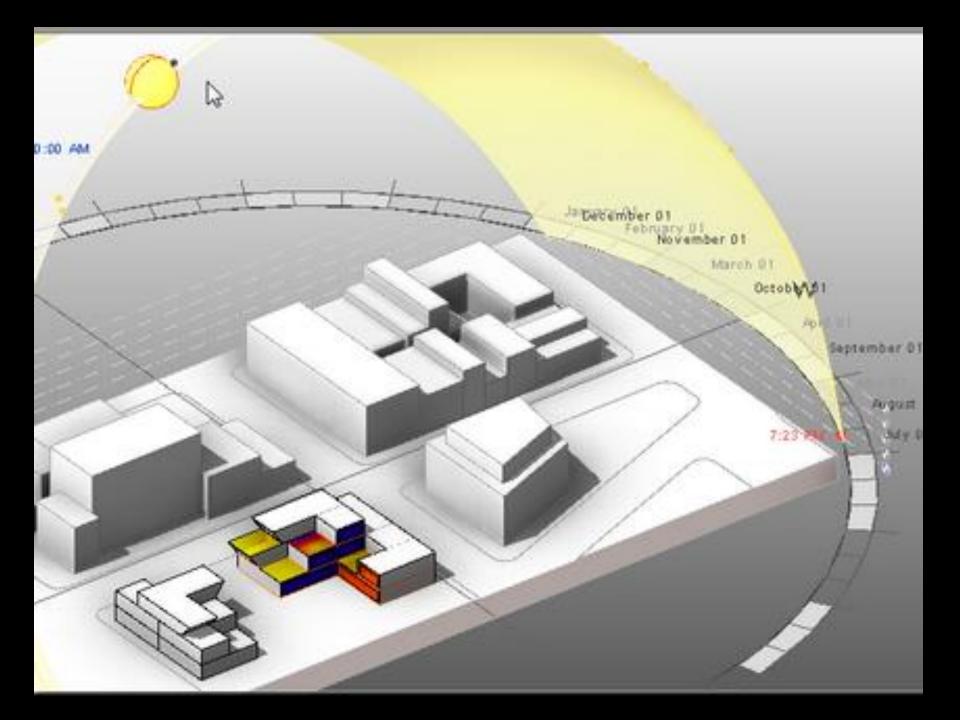
Orientating the building shape in relation to sun angle, wind direction and its surrounding is an important consideration in improving energy performance.

It can determine the building's relationship between the interior and the exterior environment to a significant degree. Different faces of buildings get very different amounts of heat radiation from the sun. It is an important design parameter to be considered by the architect.



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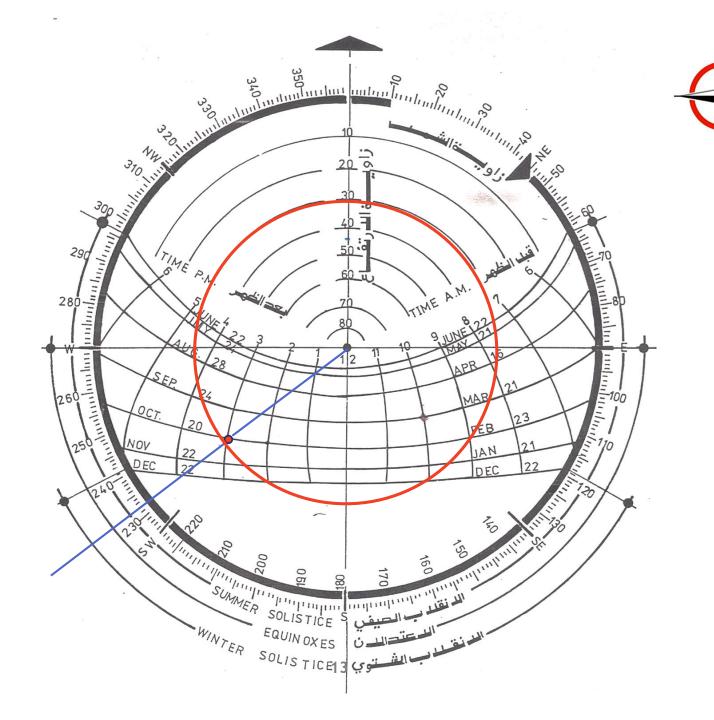




# Reading the Sun Position

The position of the Sun in the sky at any time of the day on any day of the year can be read directly from the solar chart.

First you need to locate the required hour line on the diagram. Then locate the required date line.

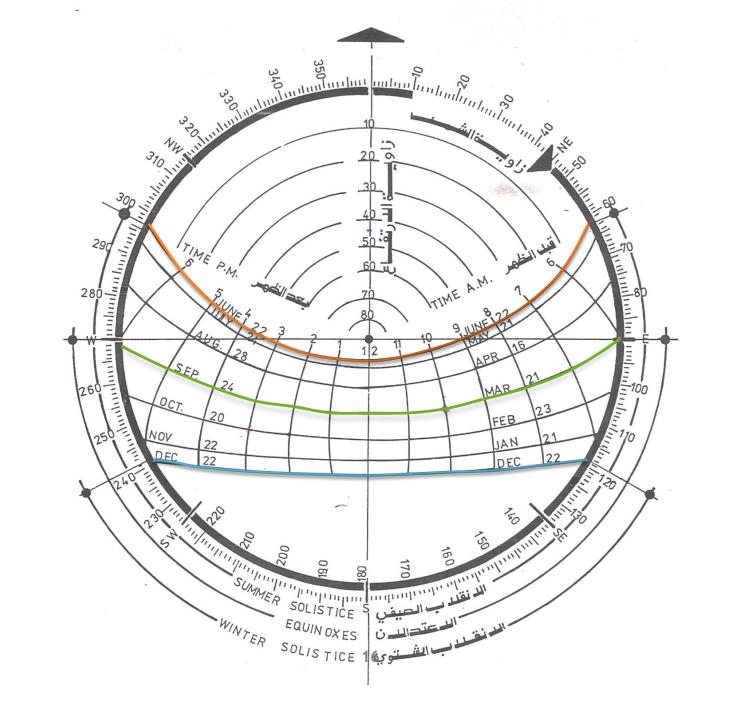


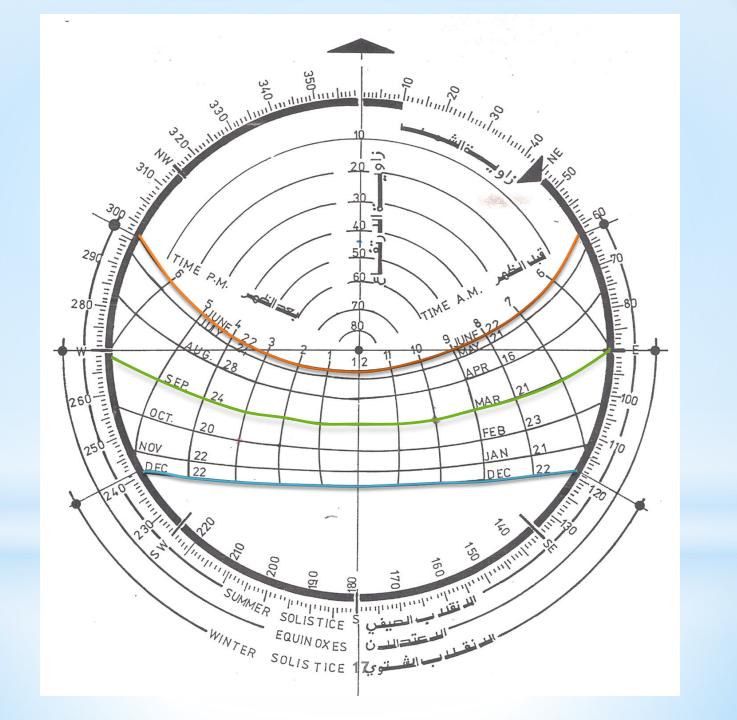
The position of the sun is expressed in terms of altitude and azimuth angles.

- •The altitude angle is the angle of the sun above the horizon, achieving its maximum on a given day at solar noon.
- •The azimuth angle is the angle of the sun's projection onto the ground plane relative to north.

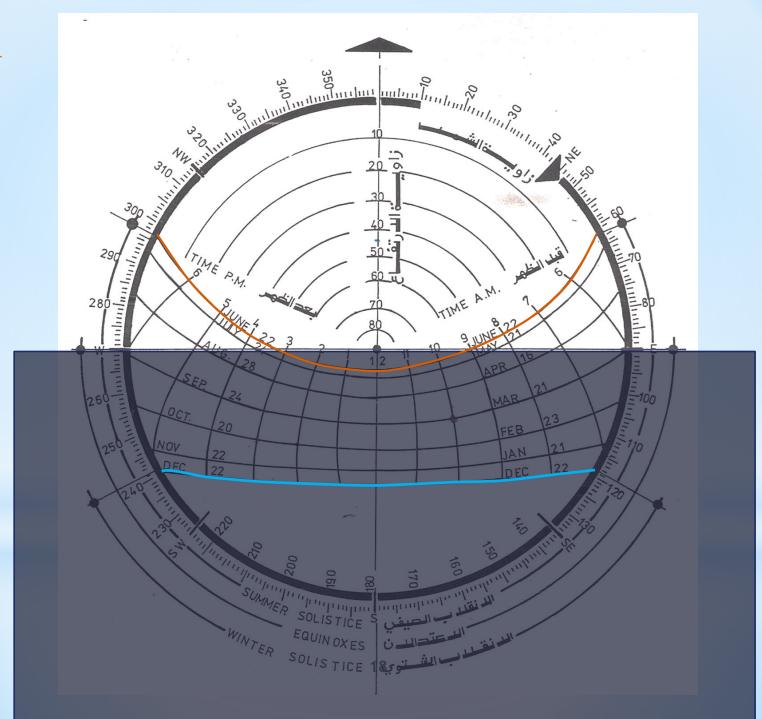
The sun will always cast a shadow on any object.

To properly design shading devices it is necessary to understand the position of the sun in the sky during the cooling and heating seasons.

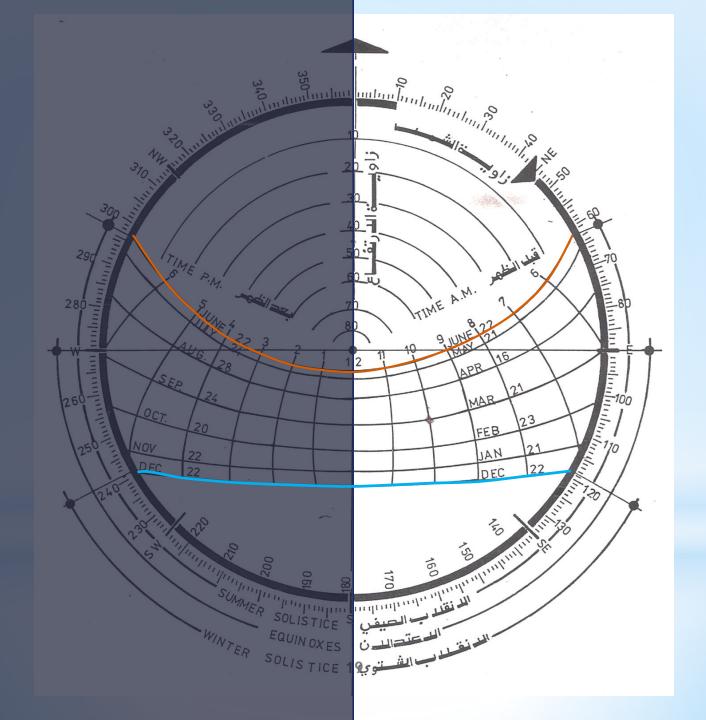




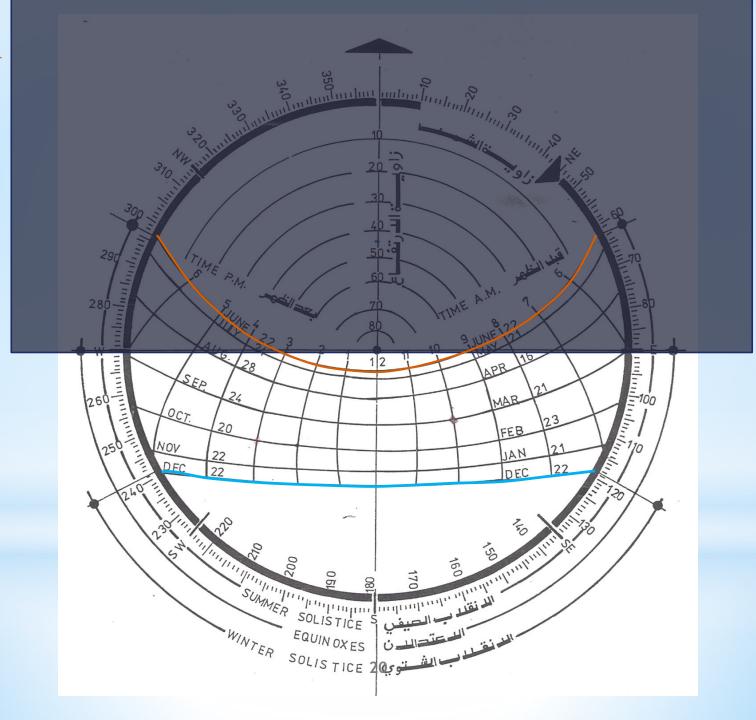
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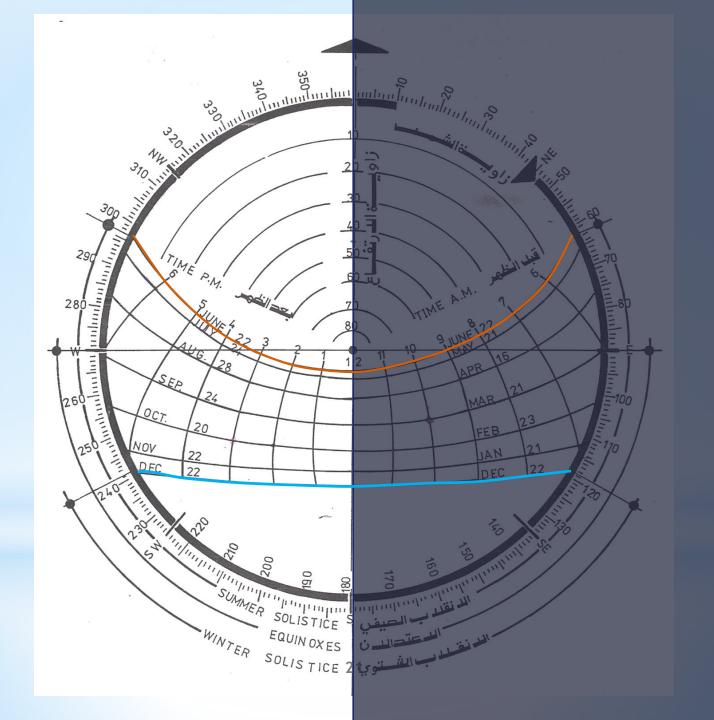
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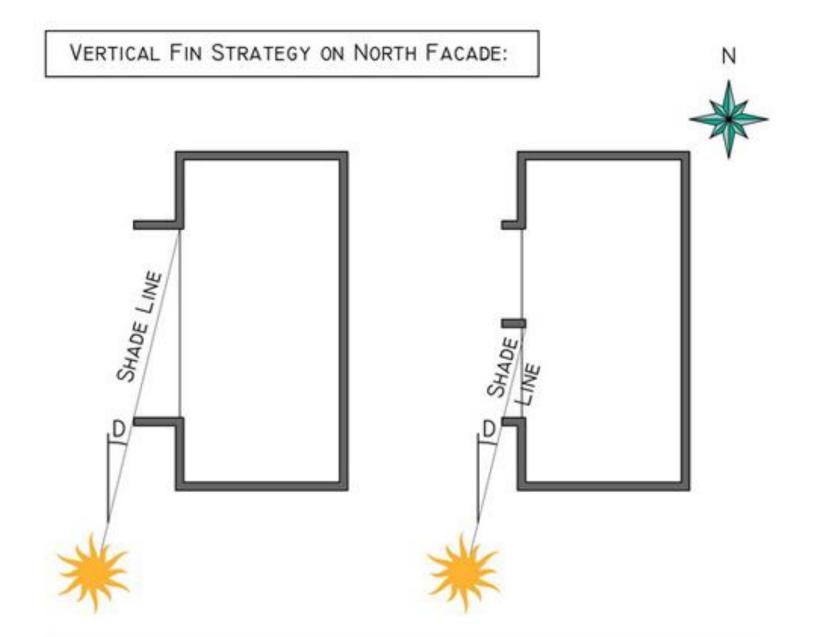
#### West



### Northern Facade

This facade is least exposed to the sun. In fact, exposure occurs only in the early and late hours of summer days when the angle of altitude is low.

It might be necessary to provide vertical shading on the north side to protect glass from sun penetration.

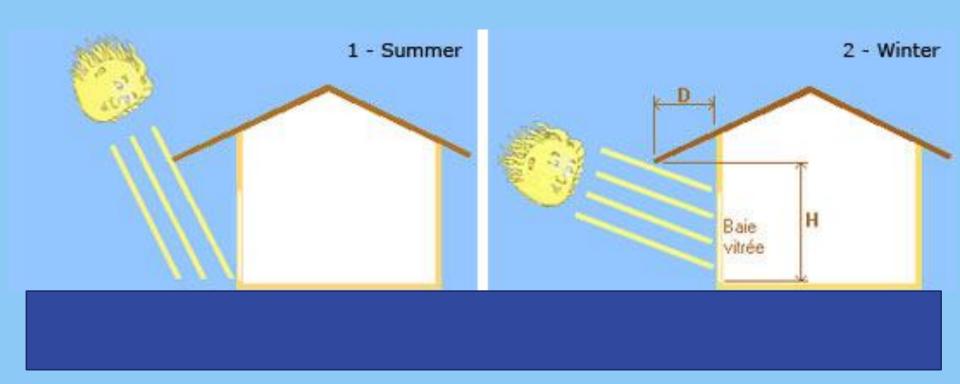


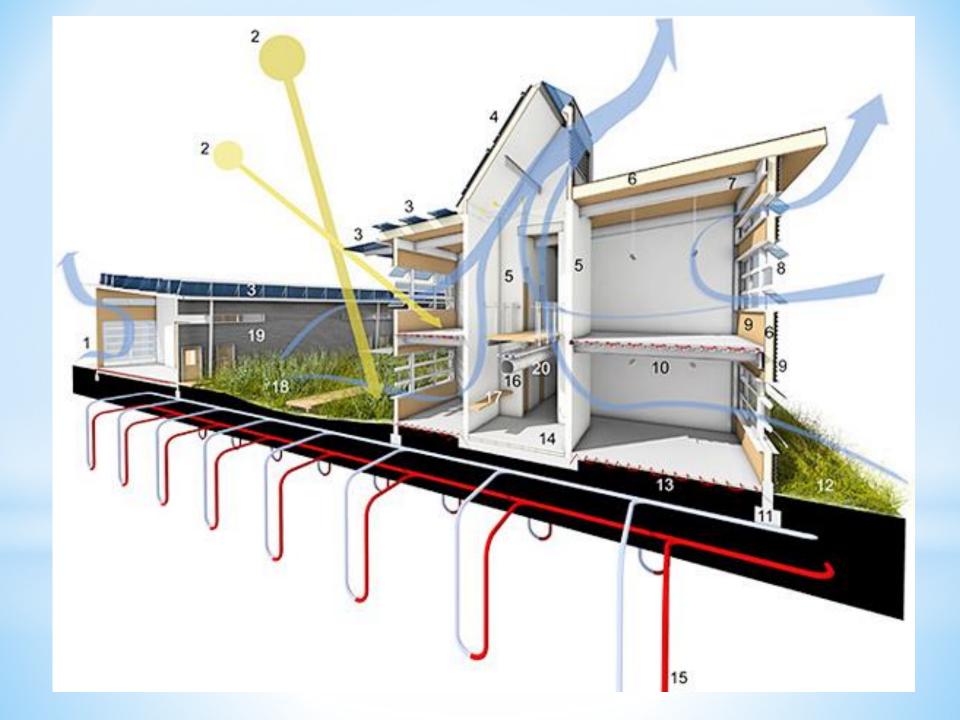
THE "SHADE LINE" AT ANGLE "D" DETERMINES FIN SPACING & DEPTH.

## Southern Facade

An advantage of southern exposure in the Tropics and Subtropics is that the sun is high over the horizon in summer and can be shaded using a relatively small overhang.

In winter it is low, allowing the sunshine to penetrate when it is most desirable.

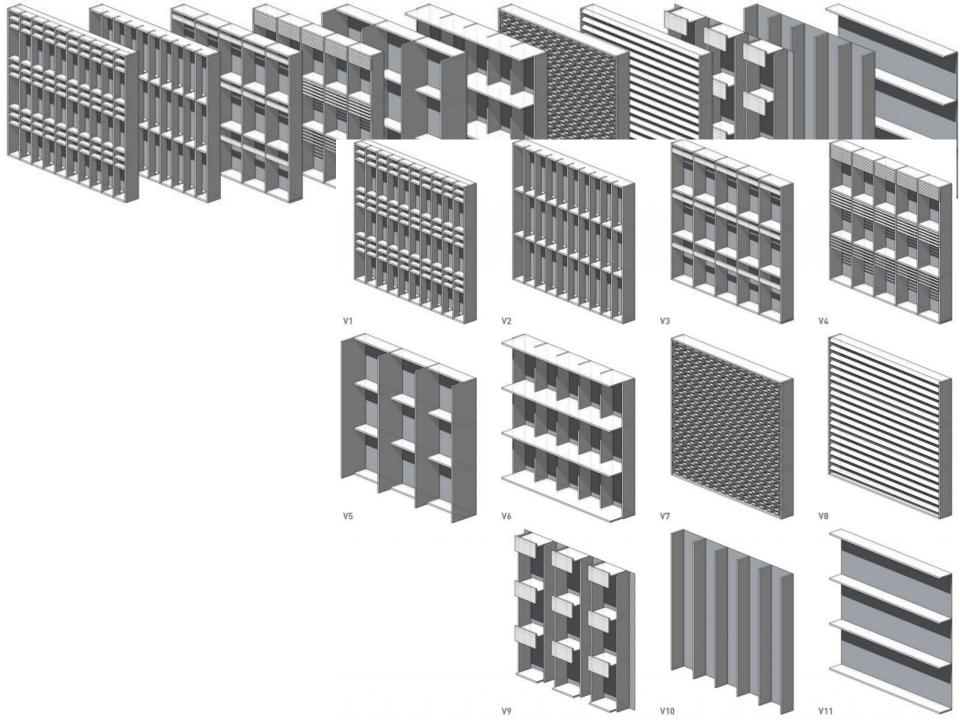




#### Eastern and Western Facades

The east and west sides, the more difficult sides to shade due to the lower angle of the sun in the morning and afternoon. The east and west sides can be protected from the sun with vegetation or Screen walls, Vertical fins and Eggcrate elements

The eastern facade is exposed to the sun's rays from sunrise to noon. The walls cool down considerably by evening, making this exposure more suitable for bedrooms than the western exposure.











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#### Millowners Association Building, Ahmedabad, India (1954)

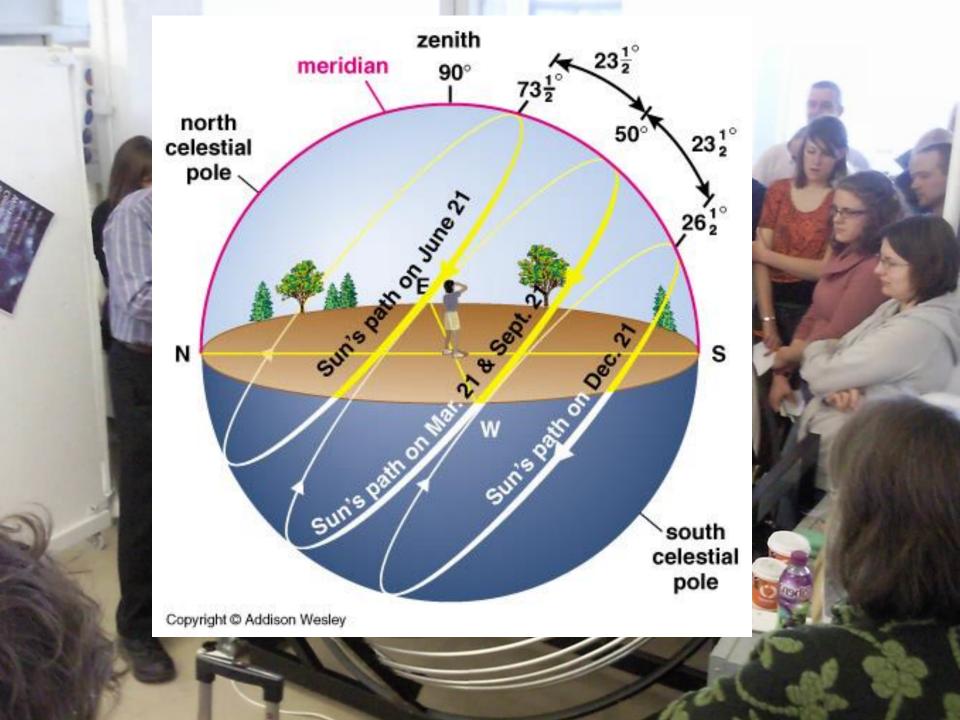
Walls of brise-soleils on the east & west facades to shade interior. Hall is indirectly lit by reflections from curved ceiling, which is kept cool by two gardens & a water reservoir on roof.



## Heliodon

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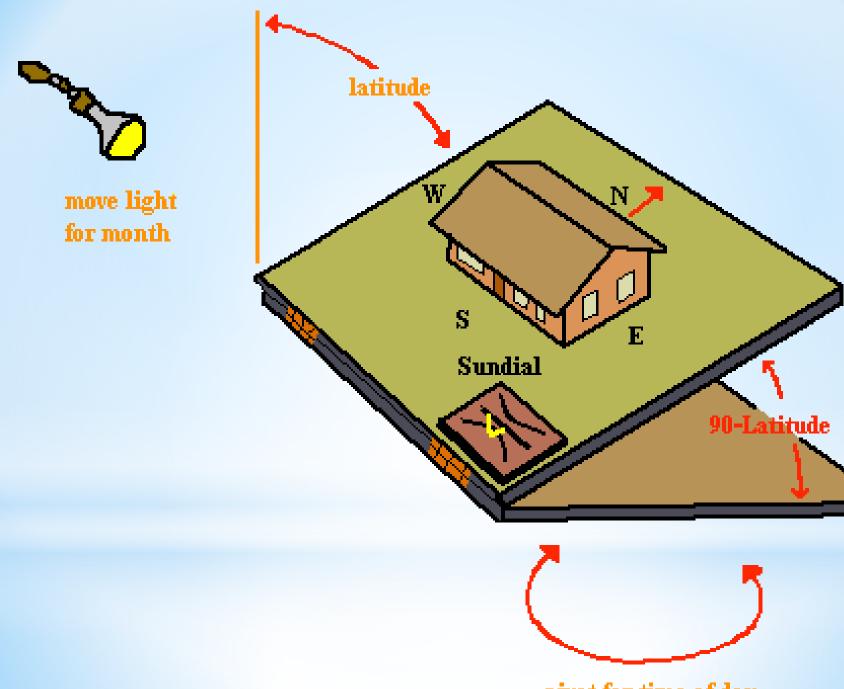












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