



Solar energy



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2. Solar Energy

Solar energy, extra-terrestrial and terrestrial radiations, radiation geometry, variation of insolation and its measurement, computation of solar radiation on horizontal and tilted surfaces,

solar flat plate collectors, their configuration, material of construction and general characteristics, concentrating collectors, receiver systems, heliostat, optical losses, types of solar energy storage, solar energy applications.

Introduction

- Very large
- Inexhaustible
- Power from the sun on the earth 1.8×10^{11} MW approximately
- Pros - Clean and free of cost
- Cons – Dilute and variation in availability

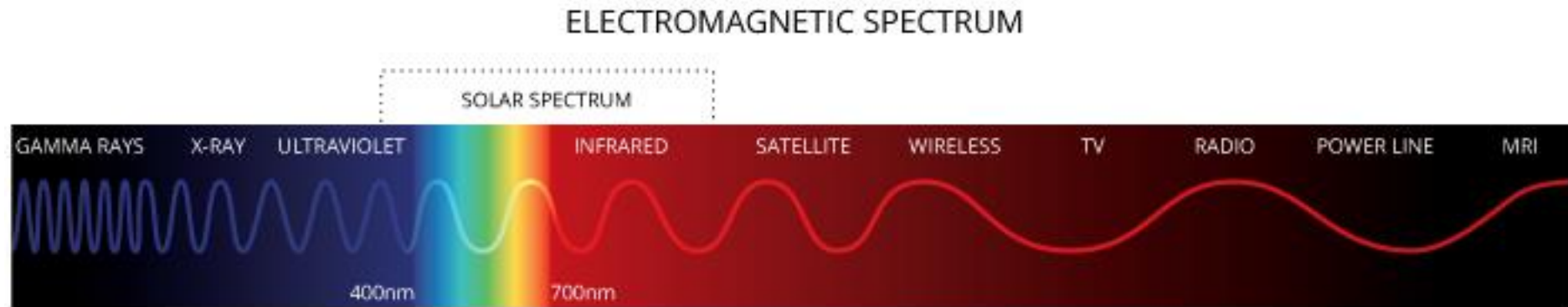


Solar energy utilisation

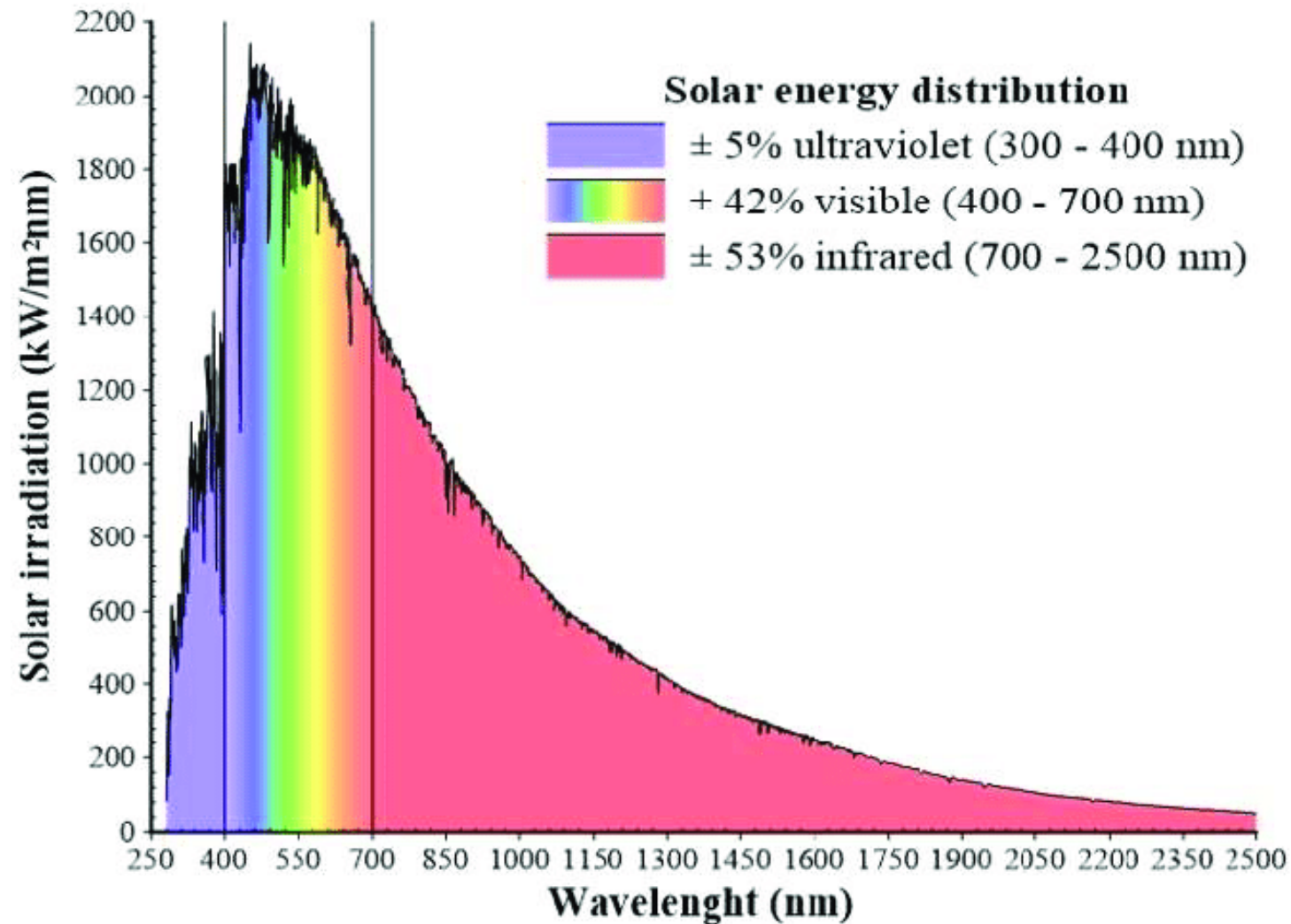
- Direct methods
 - ✓ Thermal
 - ✓ Photovoltaic
- Indirect methods
 - ✓ Water power
 - ✓ Wind
 - ✓ Biomass
 - ✓ Wave energy



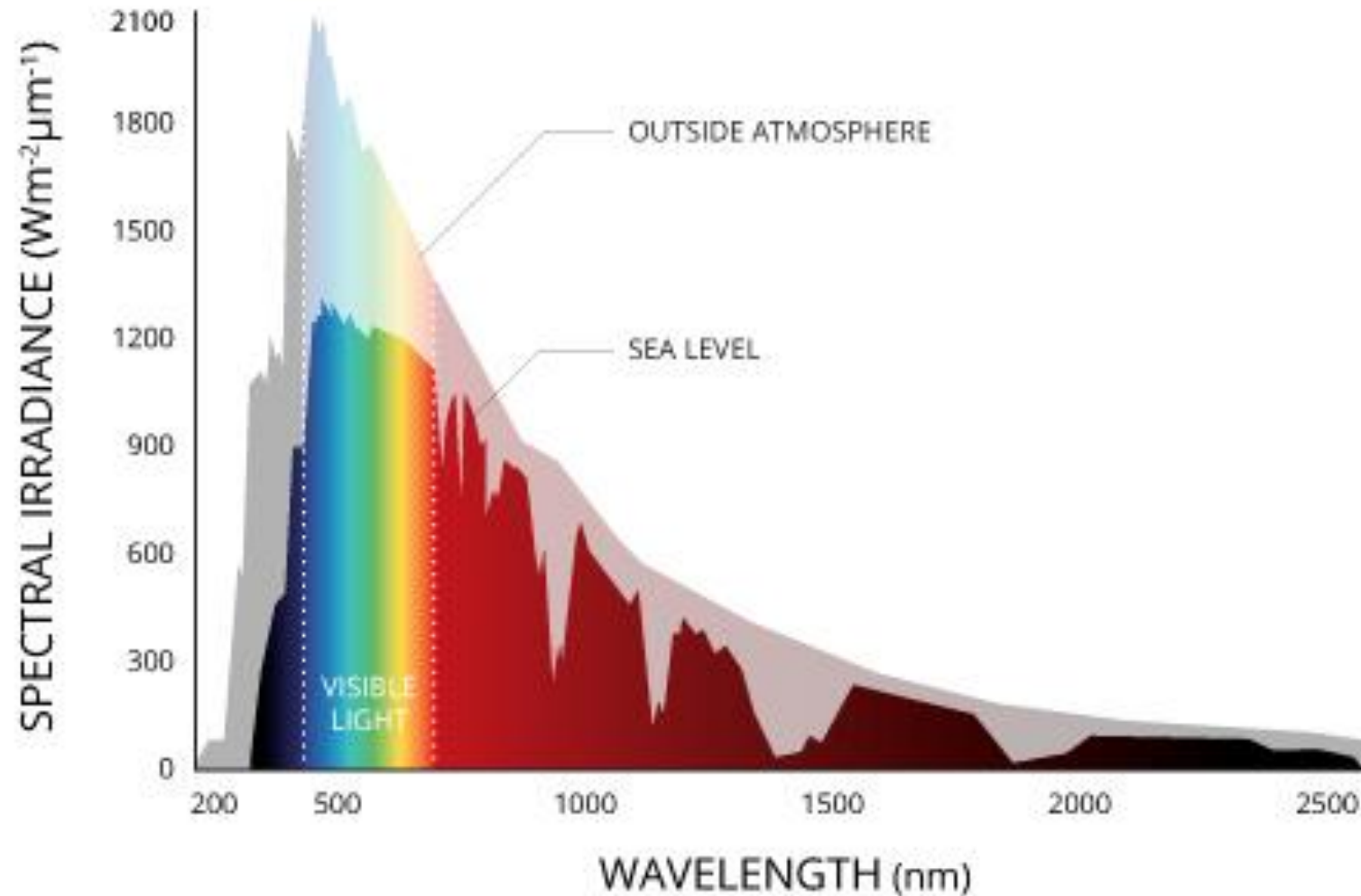
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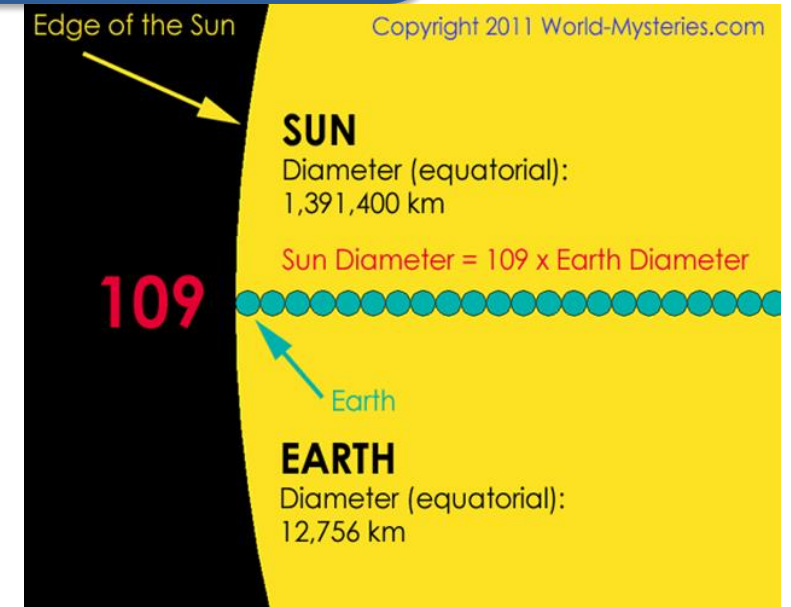


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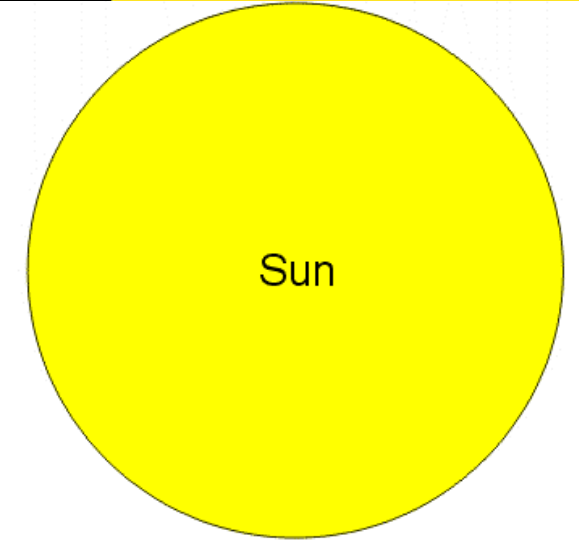


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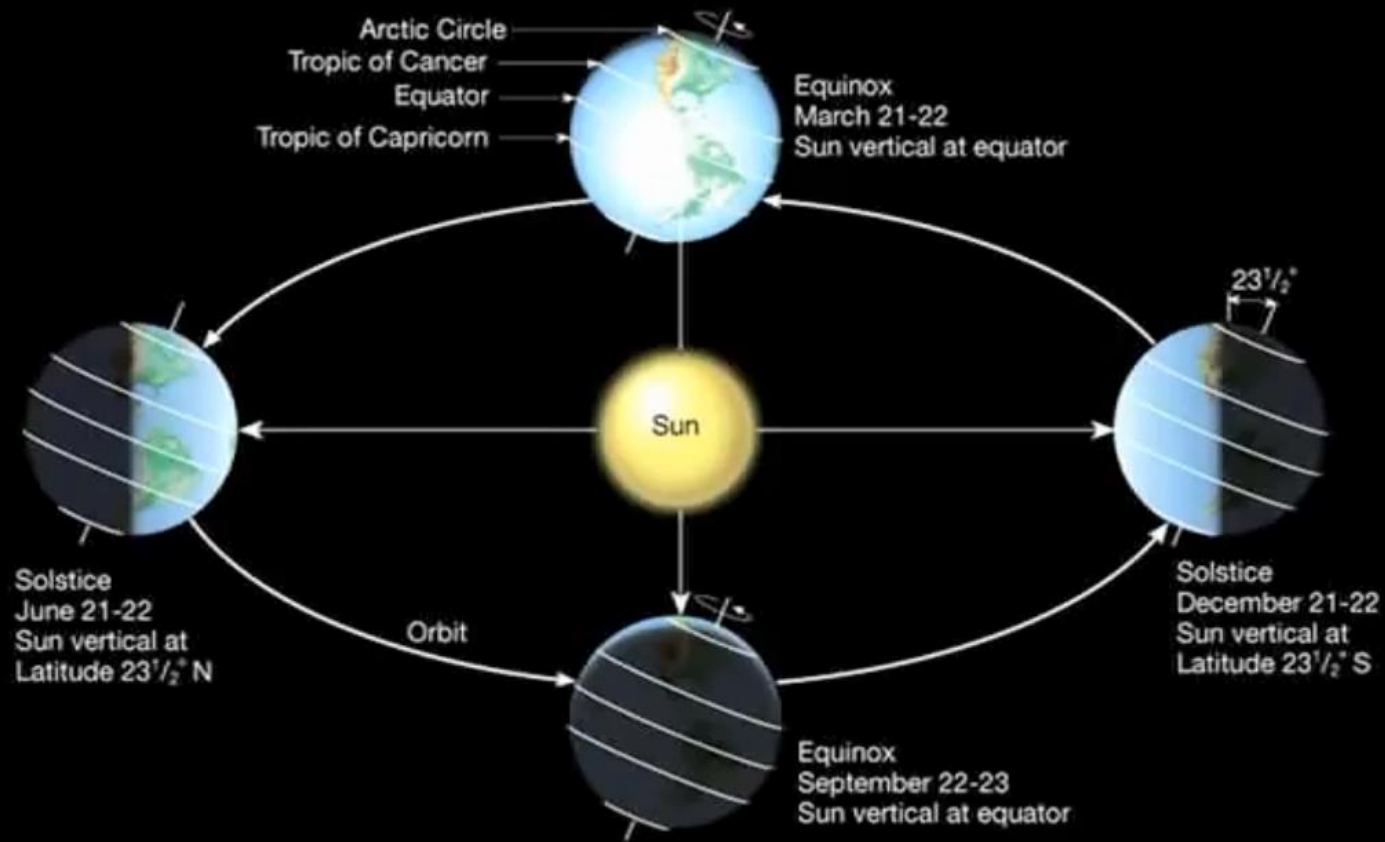
- Radius of earth is 6400 km and of sun is 7,00,000 km
- Distance b/n them is 14.96 crores km, so subtends an angle of 32 minutes
- Radiation is equivalent to black surface of 5762 K
- Solar Constant: The amount of energy received in unit time on a unit area perpendicular to the sun's direction at the mean distance of the earth from the sun
- 1353 watt per square metre (Extra-terrestrial)



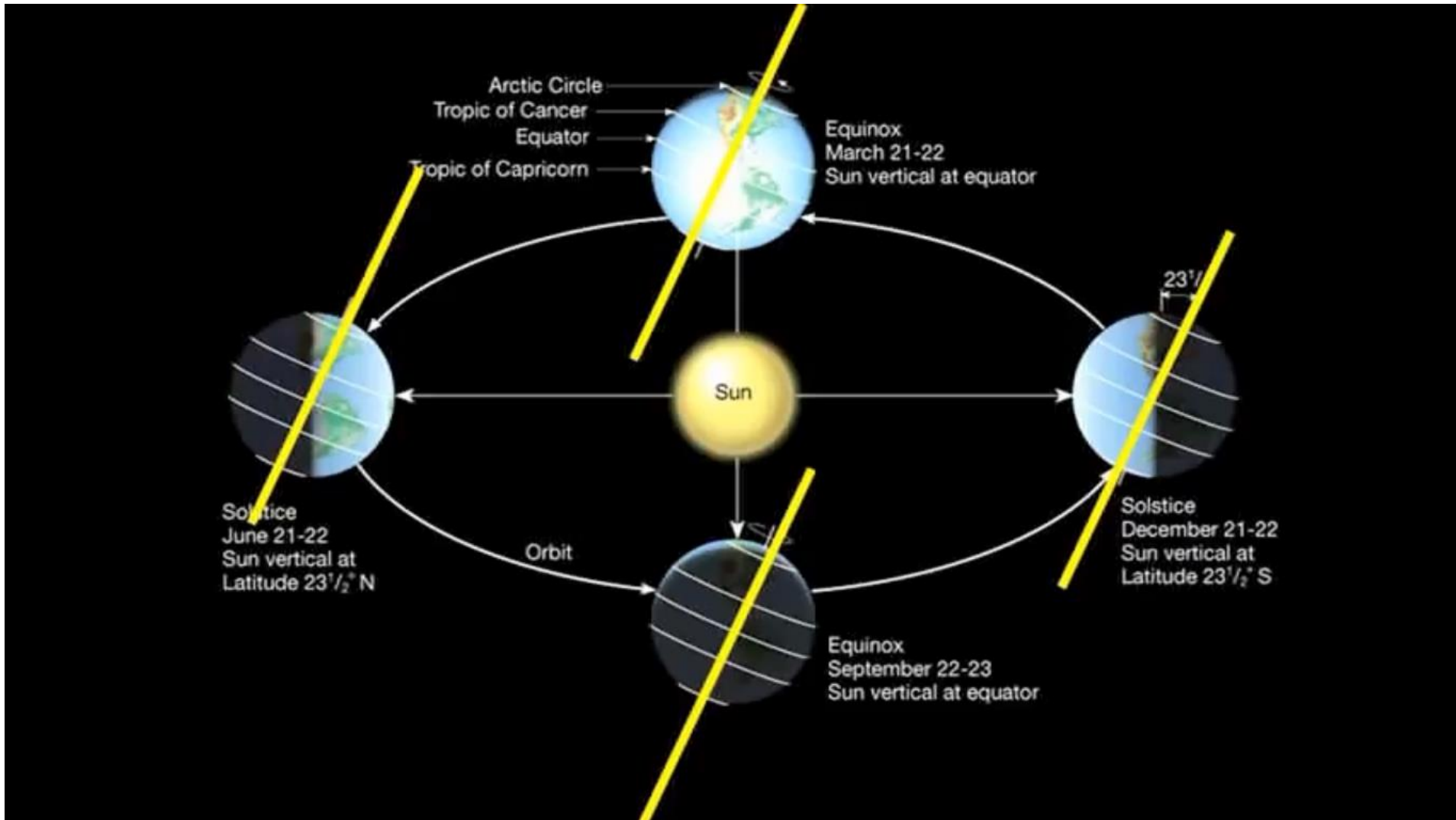
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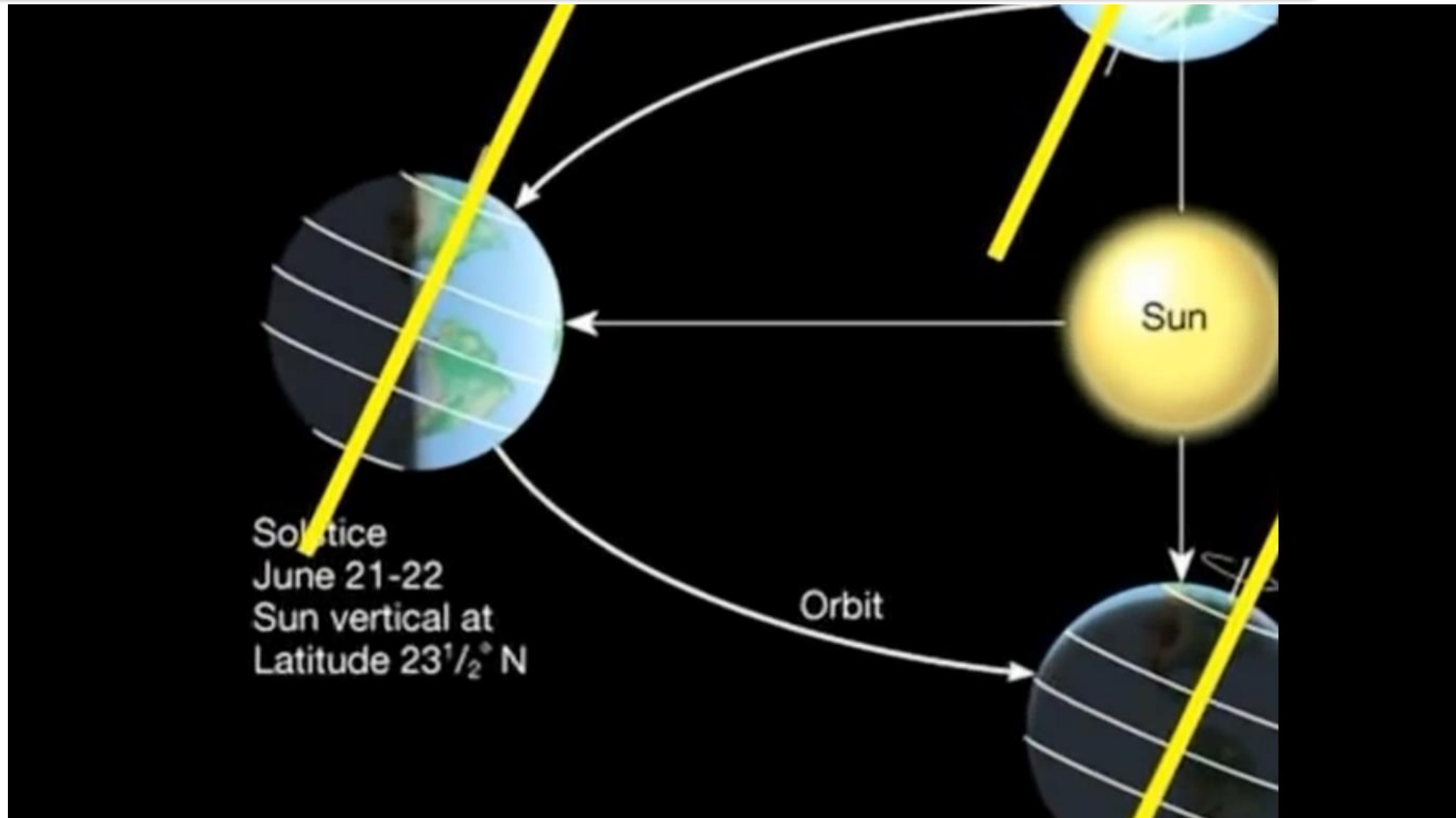
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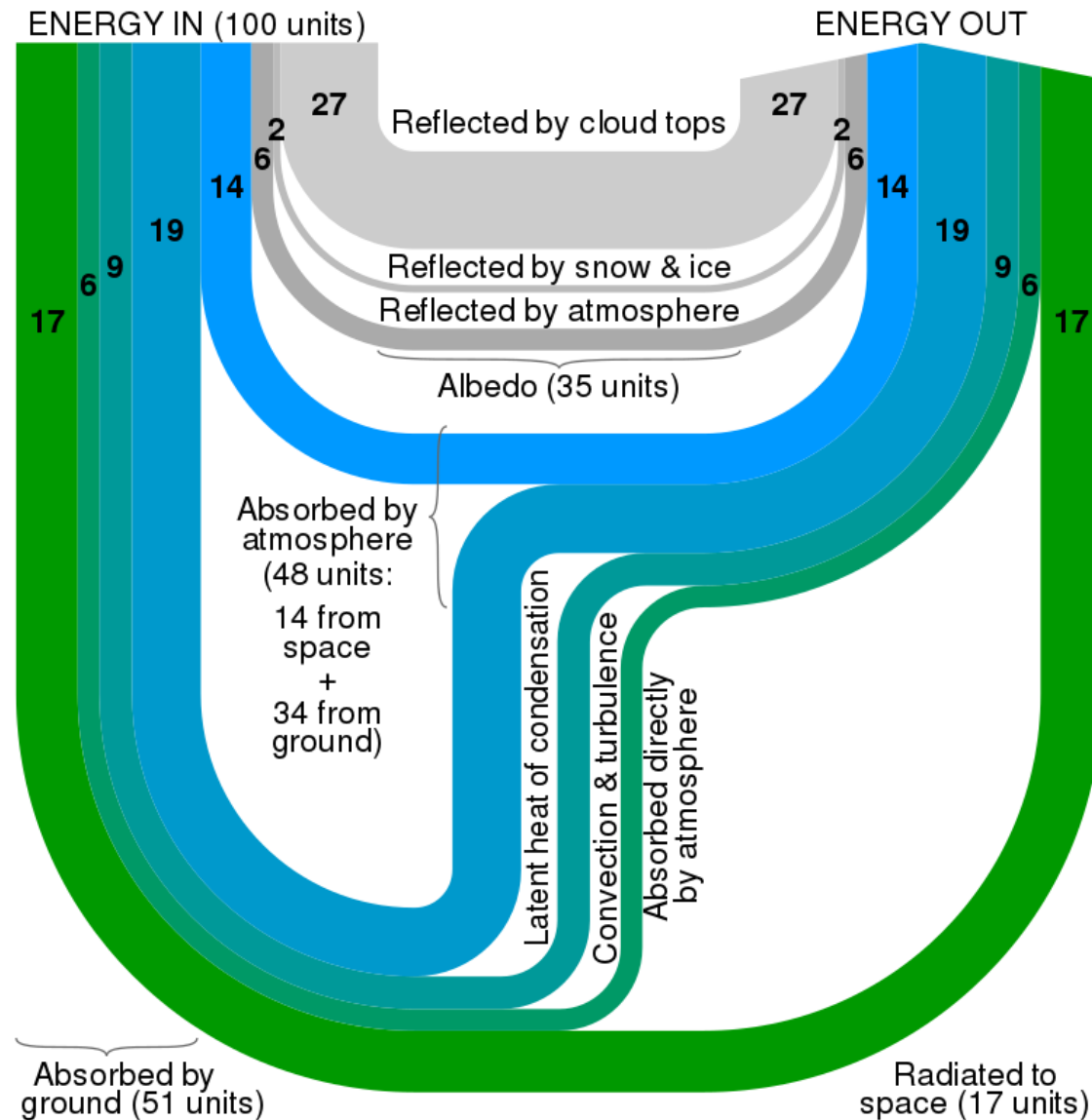
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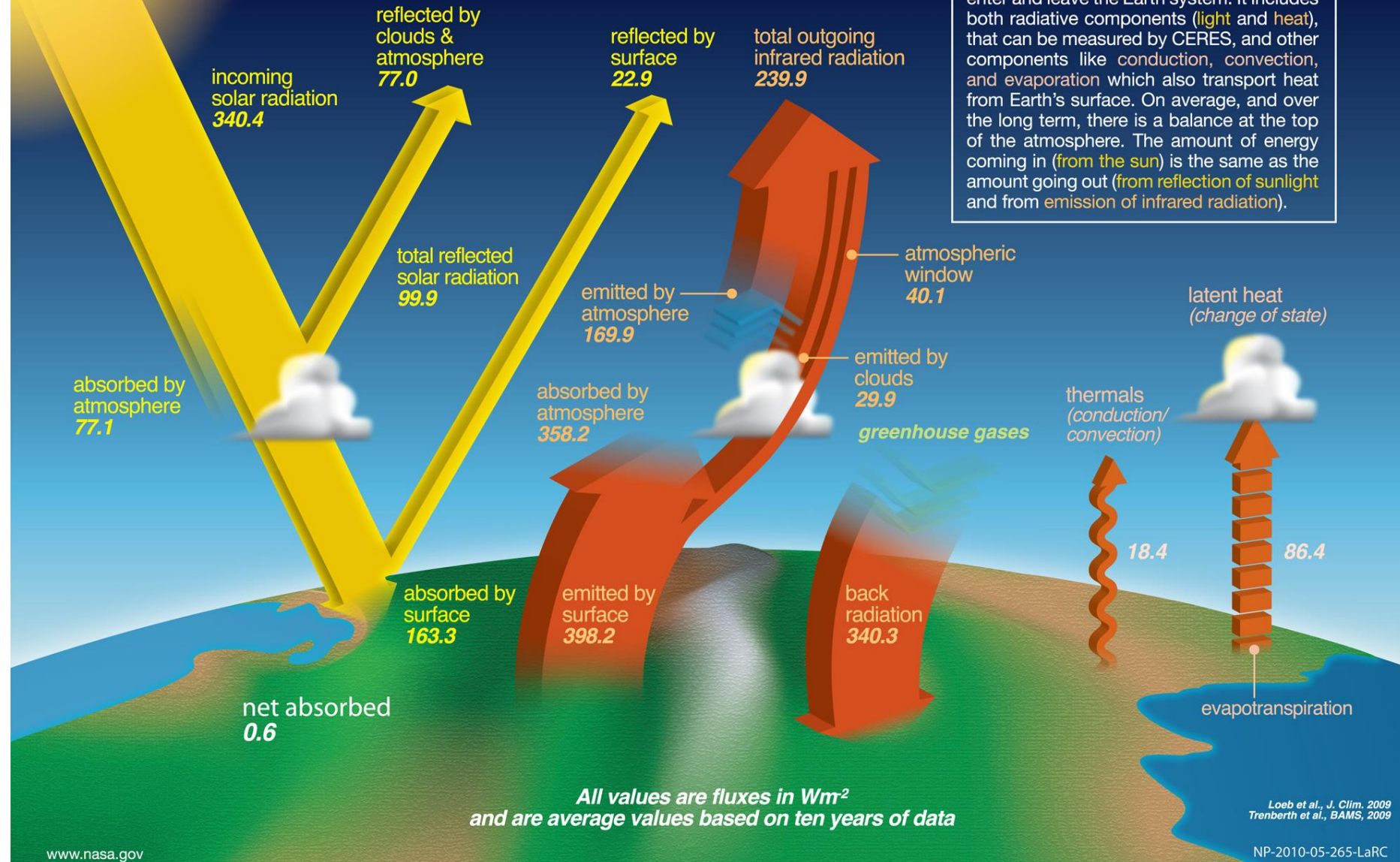
Earth's energy budget





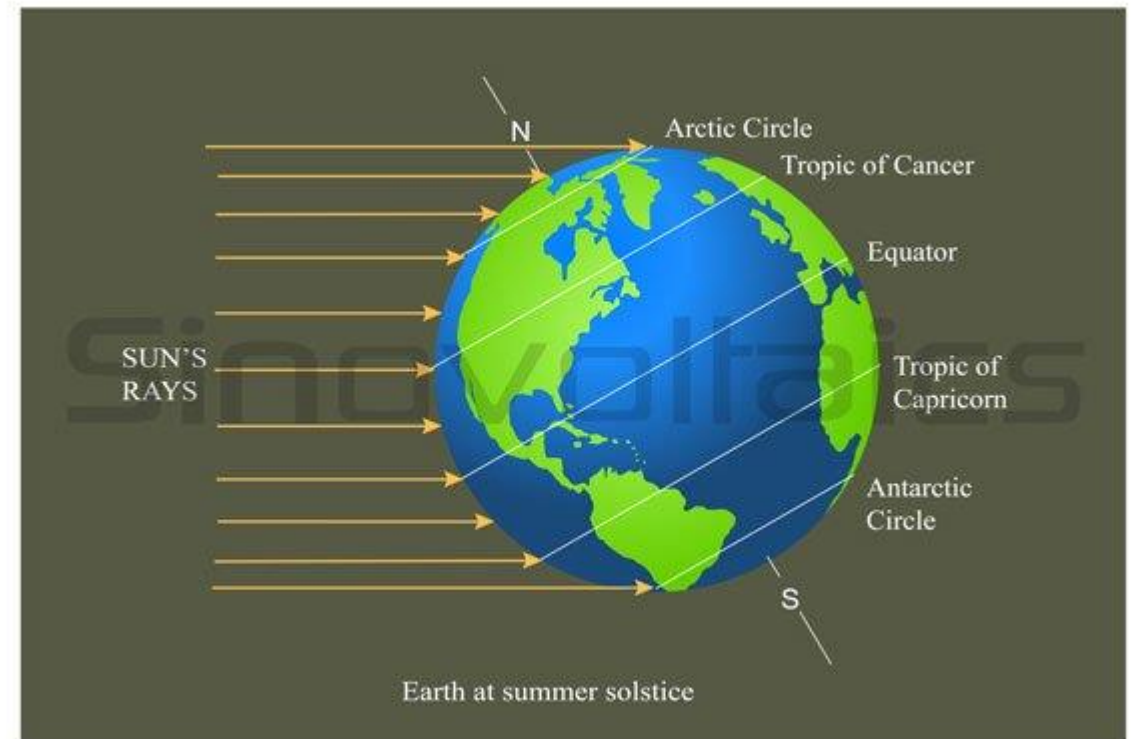
earth's energy *budget*

The Earth's energy budget describes the various kinds and amounts of energy that enter and leave the Earth system. It includes both radiative components (**light** and **heat**), that can be measured by CERES, and other components like conduction, convection, and evaporation which also transport heat from Earth's surface. On average, and over the long term, there is a balance at the top of the atmosphere. The amount of energy coming in (**from the sun**) is the same as the amount going out (**from reflection of sunlight** and from emission of infrared radiation).



Solar Radiation

- Insolation – Total solar energy received on a horizontal surface of unit area on the ground in unit time
- Attenuation of beam radiation
 - ✓ Absorption

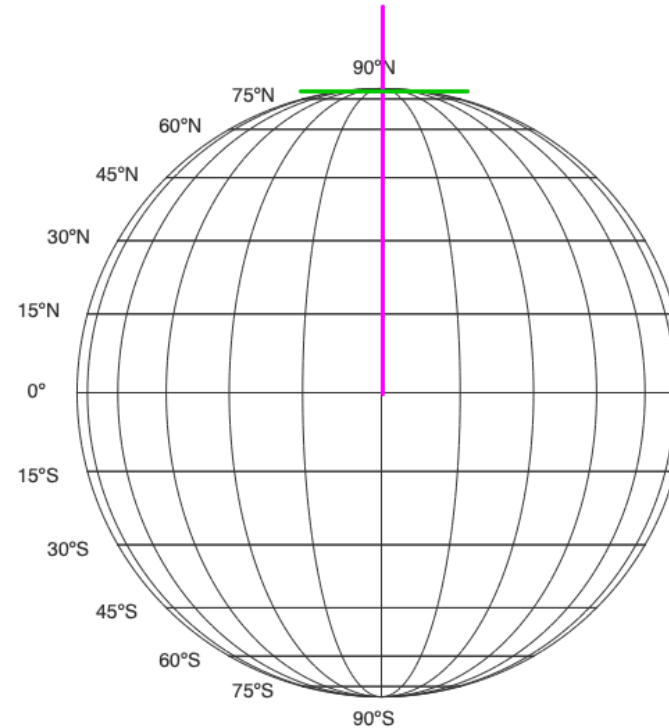
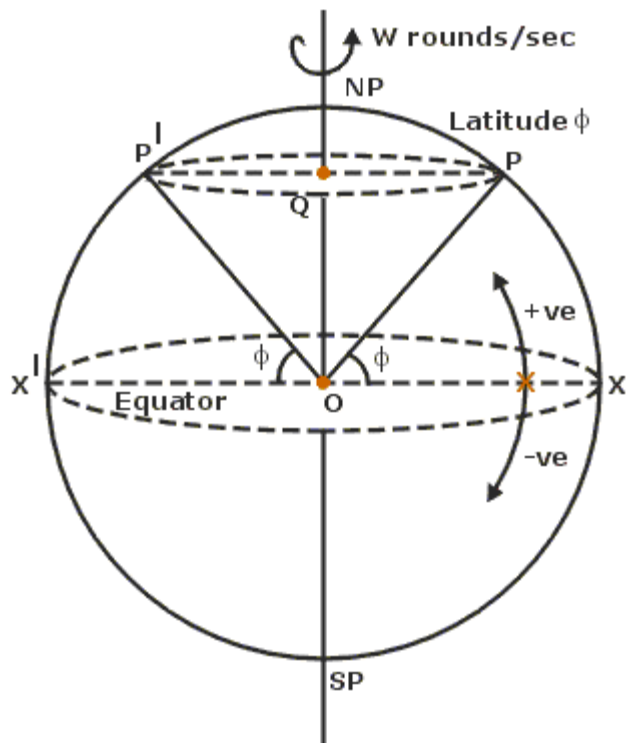


Solar radiation at surface

- Reflection from clouds
- Absorption by air molecules
 - UV by ozone
 - IR by CO₂ and water vapor
- Direct Radiation (or Beam Radiation)
- Diffuse Radiation
- Insolation = Direct Radiation + Diffuse Radiation
- Zenith angle – Angle made by the sun's rays with the normal to a horizontal surface

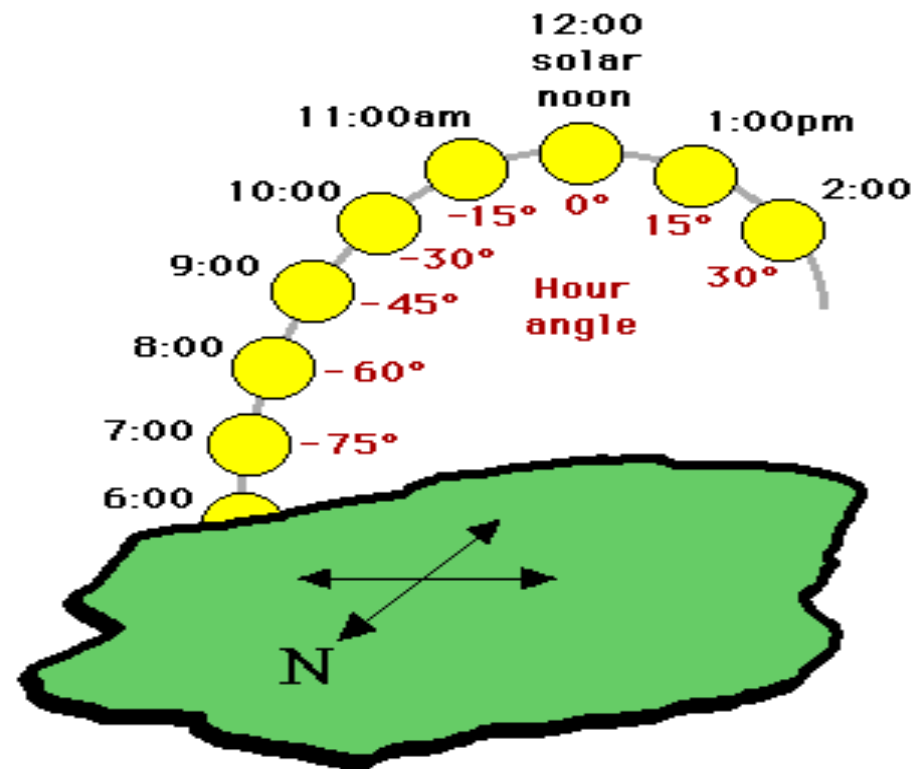
Solar radiation geometry

- Latitude (ϕ) => line joining centre of earth with its projection on equatorial plane, positive for northern hemisphere



Solar radiation geometry

- Hour angle(ω)=> Angular measure of time and is equivalent to 15° per hour



Local Apparent Time

$$\text{LST} = \text{LAT} - 4 \cdot (L_s - L_e) - E_t$$

Time equation
(minutes)

Longitude correction

Sun apparent movement

15 degrees / hour \longrightarrow 4 min / degree

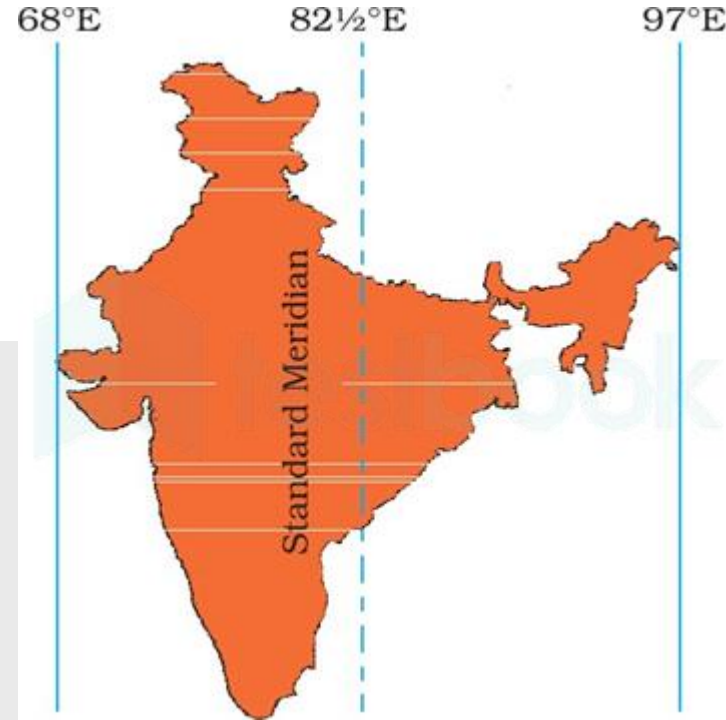
L_s Standard meridian longitude
 L_e Local meridian longitude

L_s, L_e $\begin{cases} >0 \text{ towards W} \\ <0 \text{ towards E} \end{cases}$

Degrees

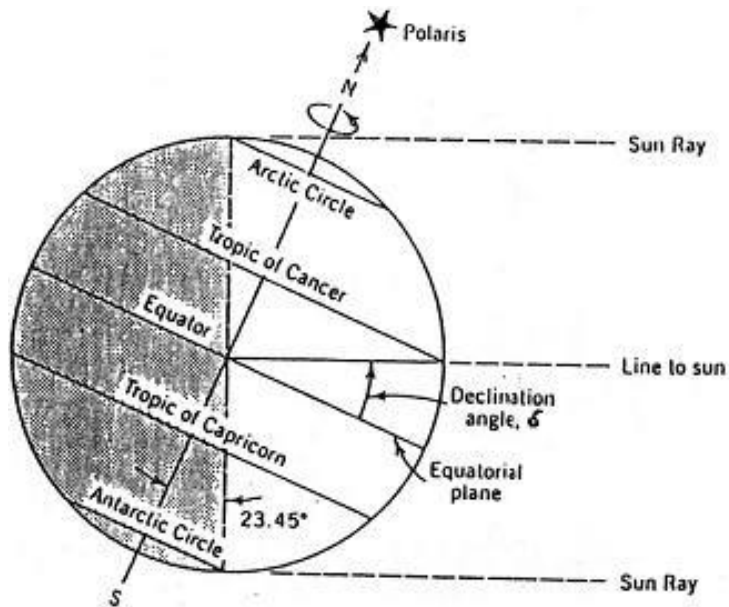
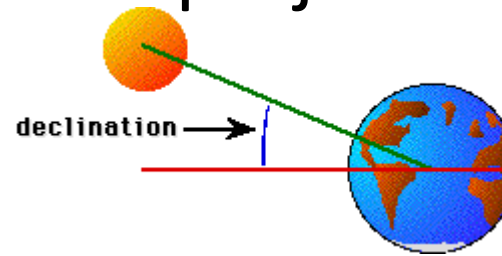
Longitude correction in minutes

$$\text{LAT} = \text{LST} + 4 \cdot (L_s - L_e) + E_t$$

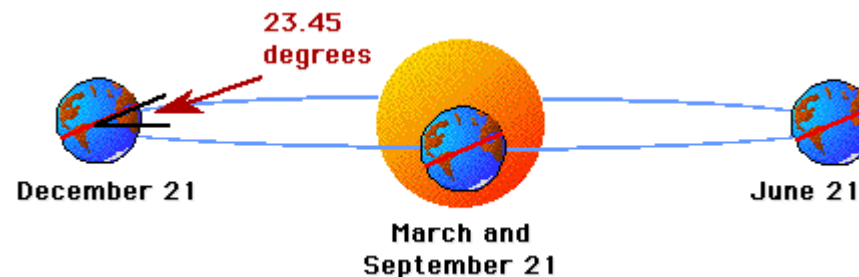


Solar radiation geometry

- Declination(δ) => line joining the centre of the earth and centre of the sun with its projection on equatorial plane



$$\delta \text{ (in degrees)} = 23.45 \sin \left[\frac{360}{365} (284 + n) \right]$$

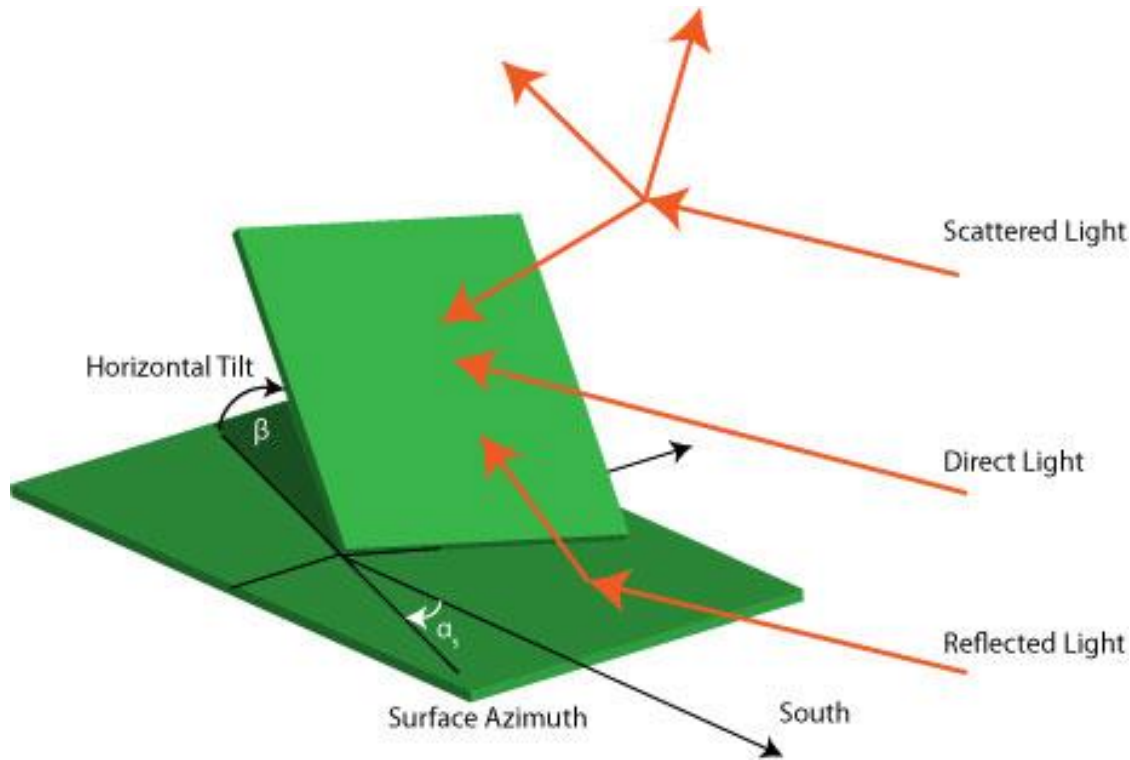


Example

- Determine the local apparent time and declination angle at Ahmedabad (Longitude $72^{\circ} 40'$ E, latitude $23^{\circ} 00'$ N) at 14:30 IST on December 15. Take Equation of time as $+5' 13''$.

Solar radiation geometry

- Slope (β) \Rightarrow angle between plane surface and horizontal
- Surface azimuth angle (γ) \Rightarrow angle between horizontal line due south and projection of the normal



Solar radiation geometry

- If θ is the angle made by incident beam of flux I_{bn} and the normal to the plane, than equivalent
- It can be shown that

$$\cos \theta$$

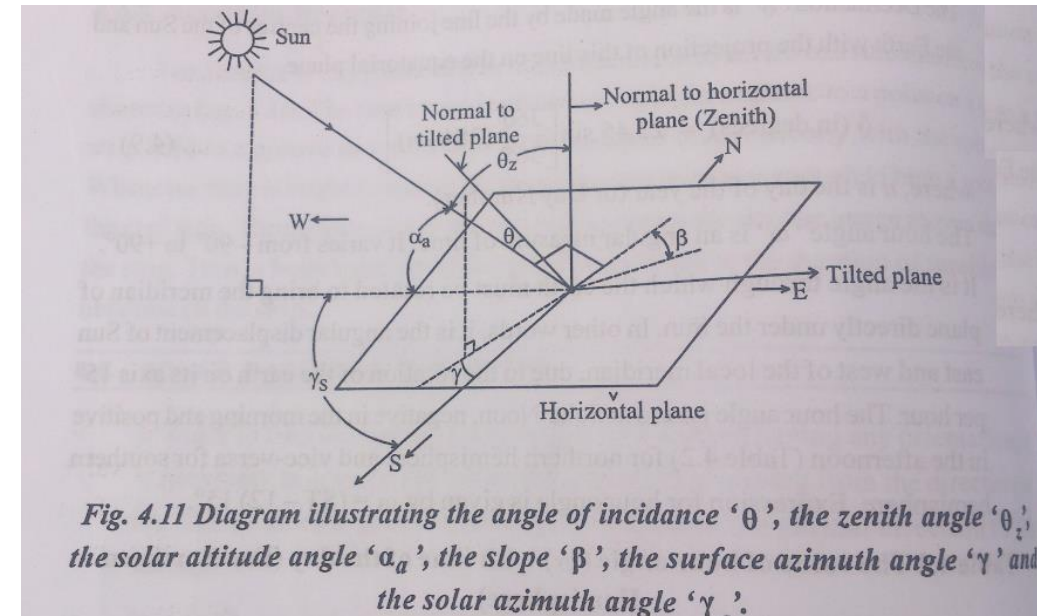
$$= \sin \phi (\sin \delta \cos \beta + \cos \delta \cos \gamma \cos \omega \sin \beta)$$

$$+ \cos \phi (\cos \delta \cos \omega \cos \beta - \sin \delta \cos \gamma \sin \beta) + \cos \delta \sin \gamma \sin \omega \sin \beta$$

- This can be further simplified for vertical surface $\beta=90^\circ$ OR Horizontal surface $\beta=0^\circ$

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