

Figure 2-4. Some typical greenhouse frames.

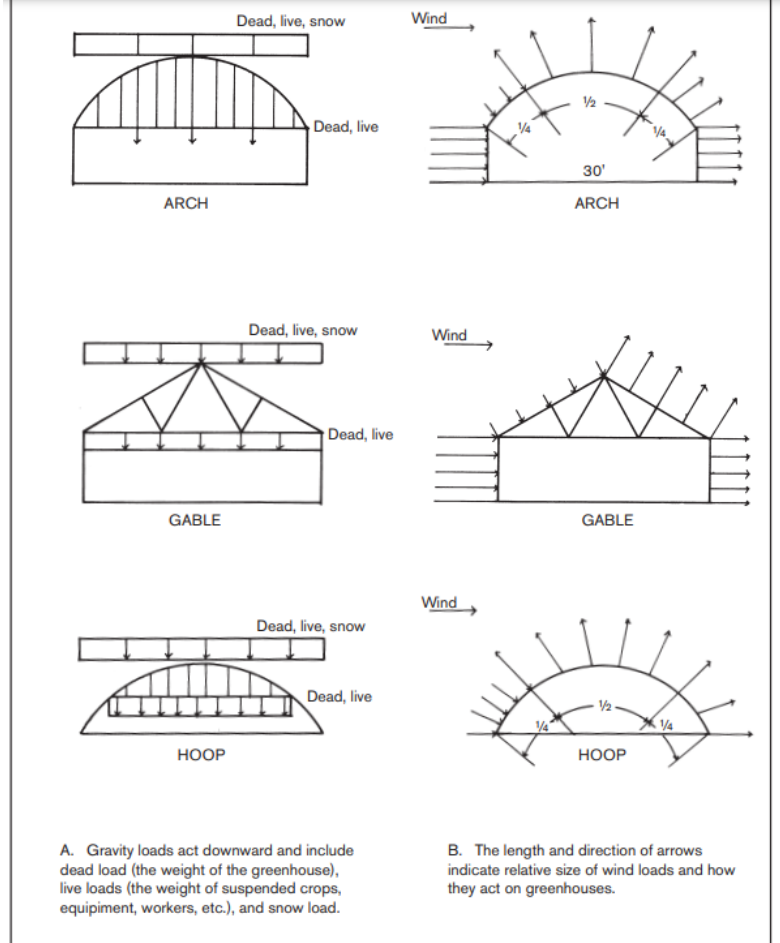
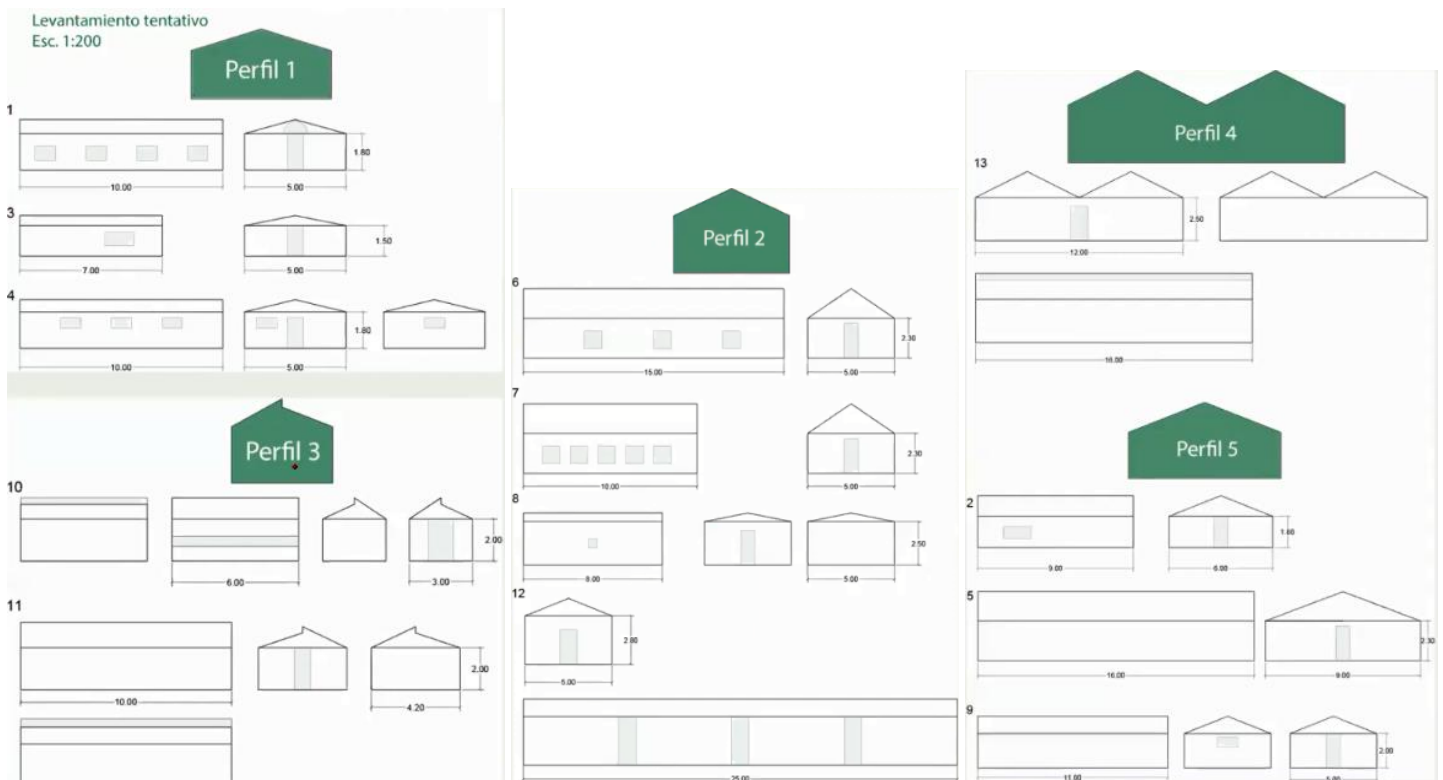
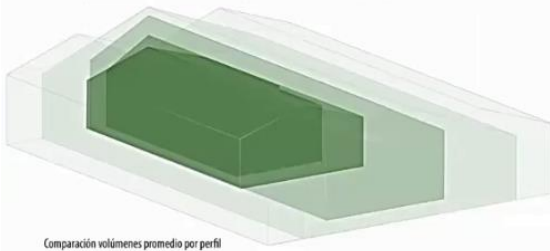


Figure 2-1. Loads on greenhouse frames.



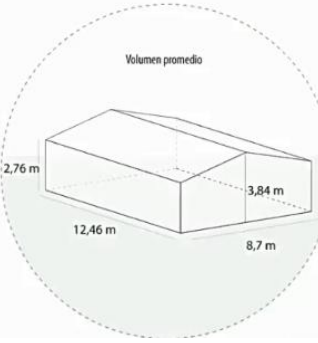
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Se han identificado "Perfiles tipo" que caracterizan al universo estudiado de invernaderos. Esto se complementa con dimensionamientos promedio de cada uno de estos perfiles.

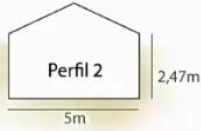


Comparación volúmenes promedio por perfil

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Capilla simétrica



Capilla asimétrica



Capilla Modificado

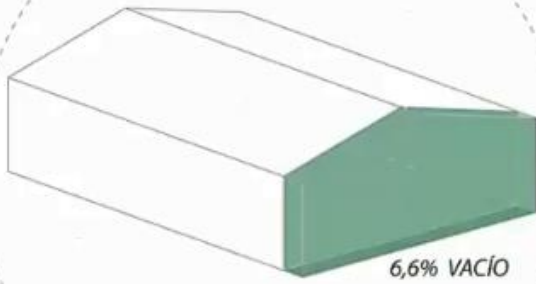


Capilla simétrica



Obs:

2 Relación LLENO Y VACÍO



Promedio de áreas abiertas en relación a área total cubierta.

3 ESTRUCTURA promedio



Sistema constructivo:
Poste y viga en madera

Materiales: Nylon - Policarbonato

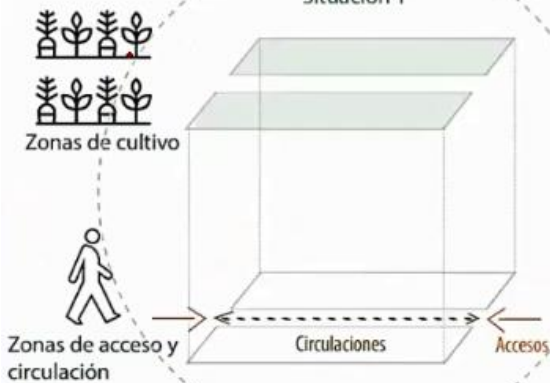


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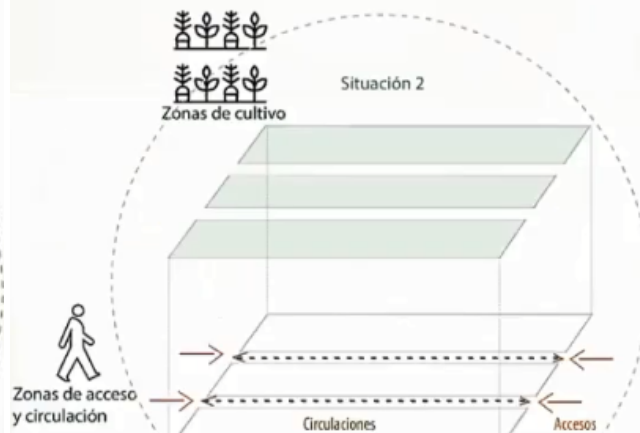
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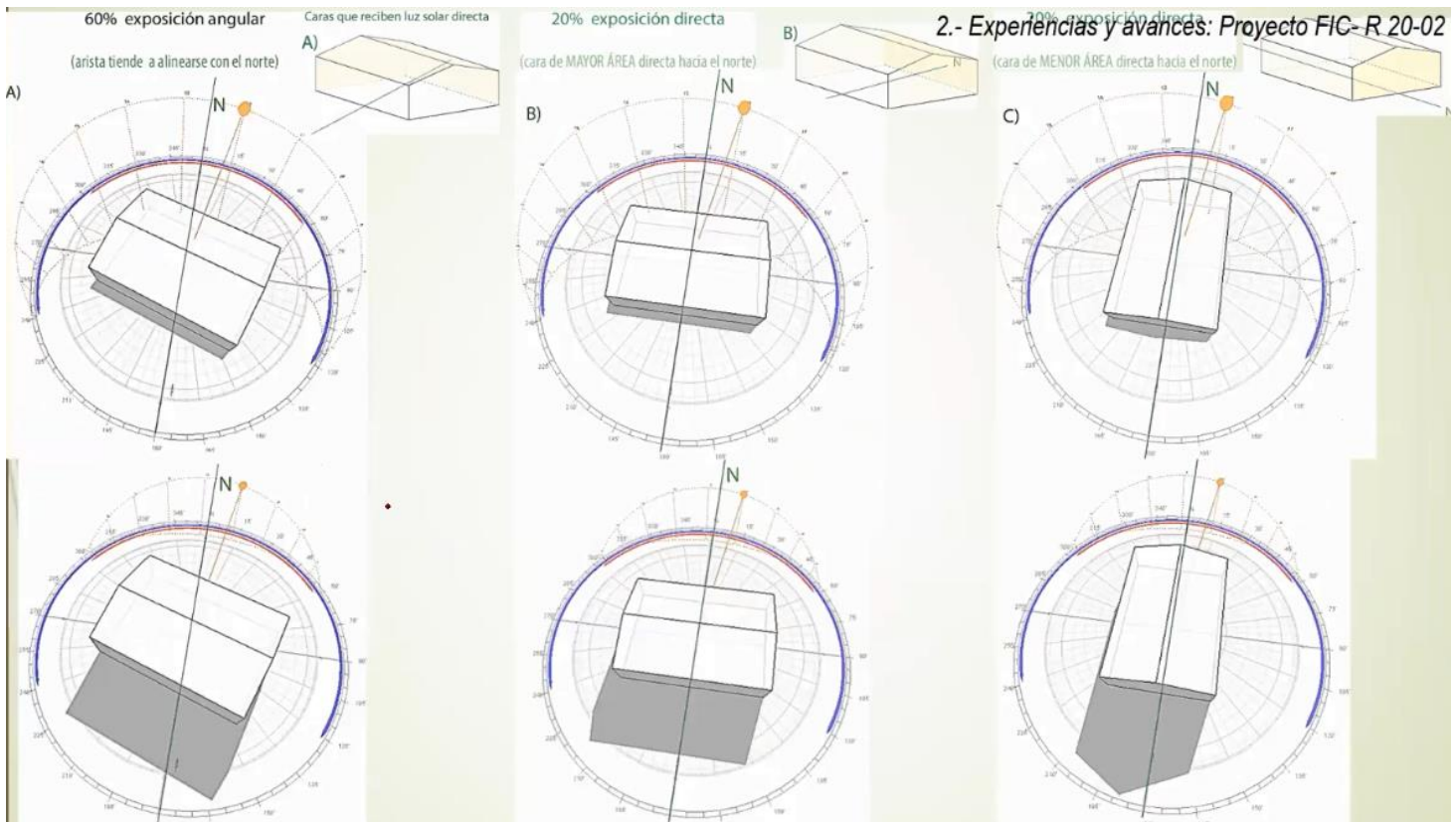
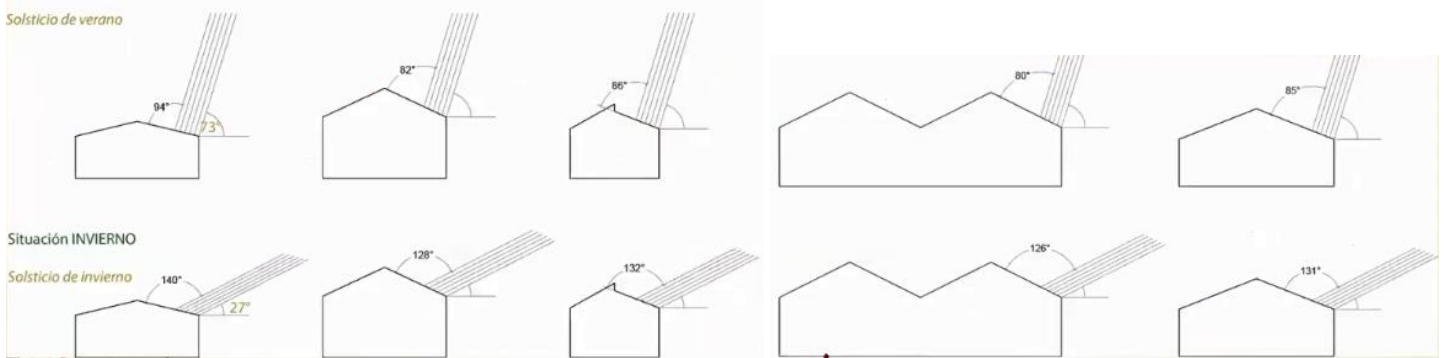
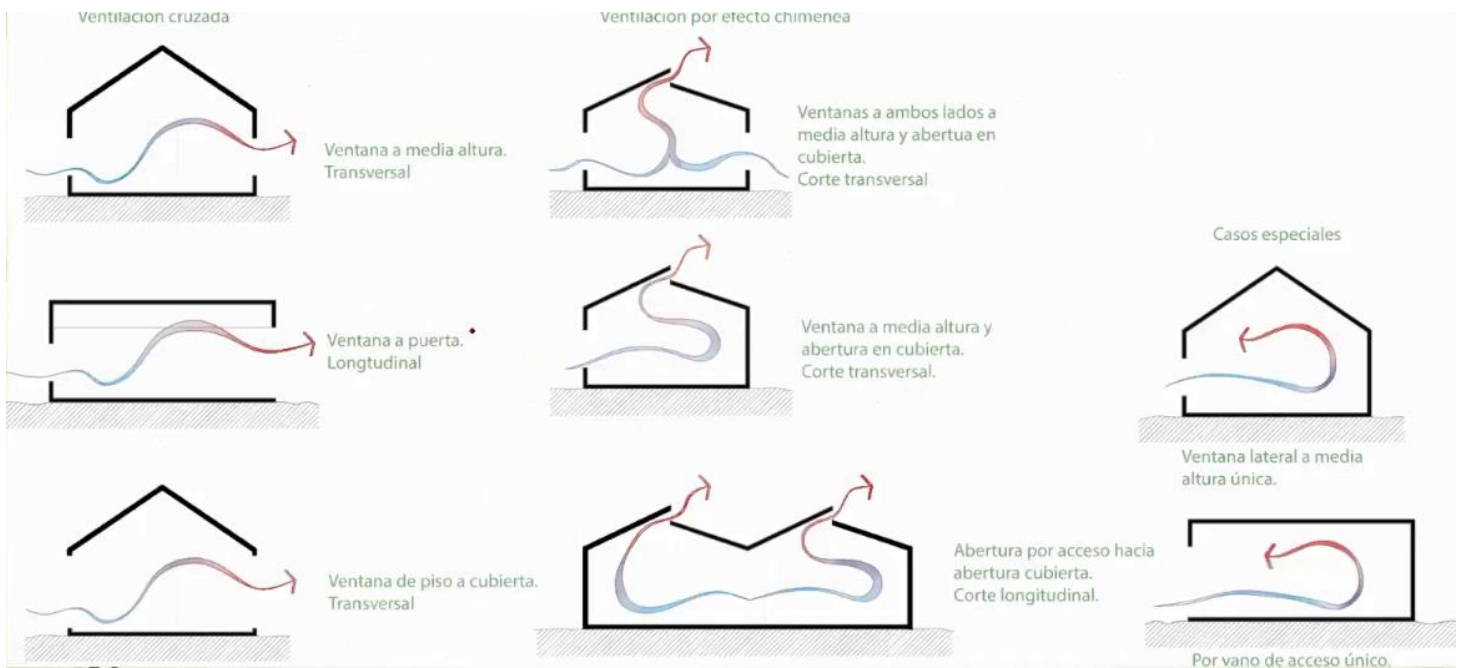
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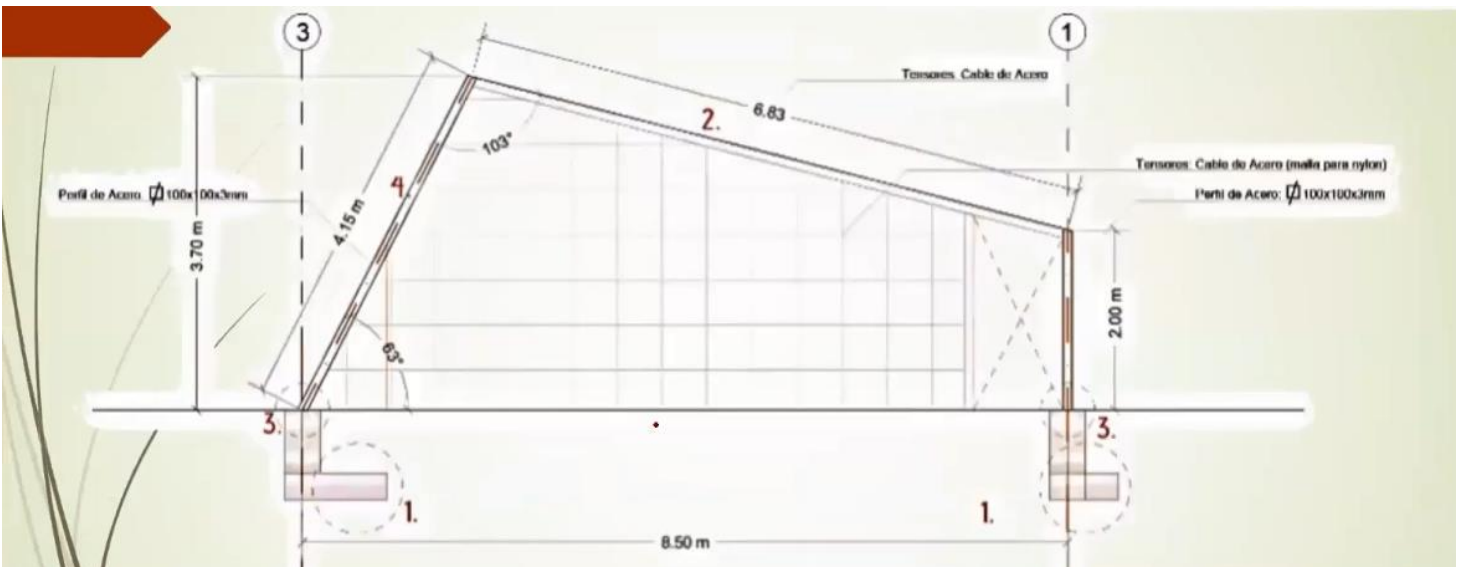
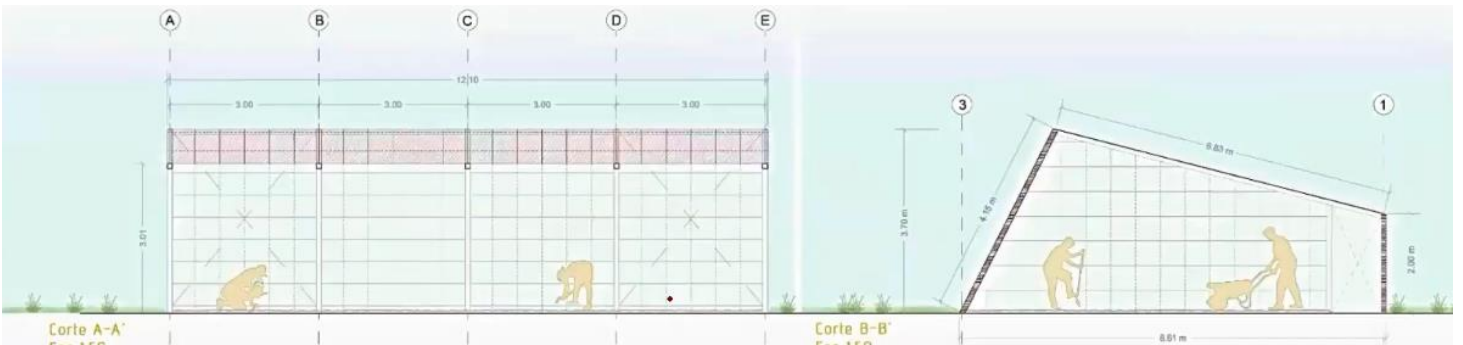
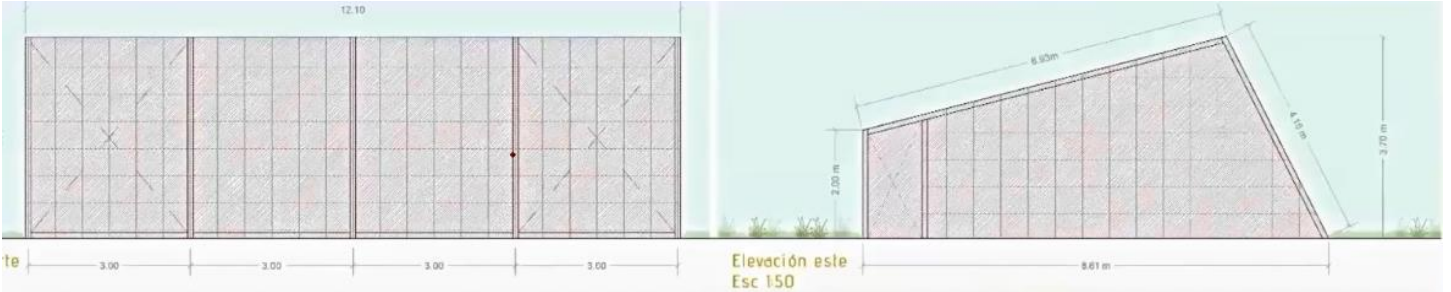
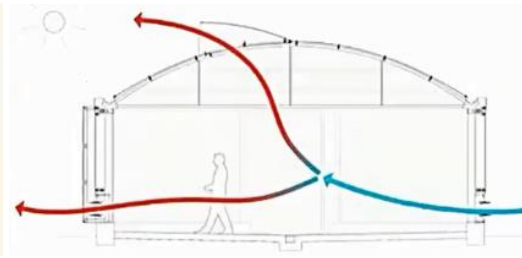
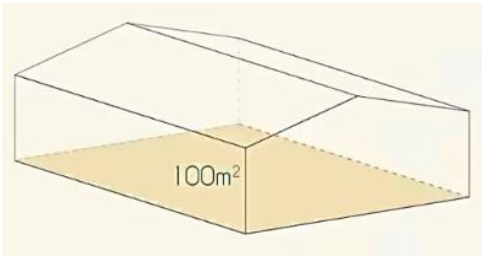
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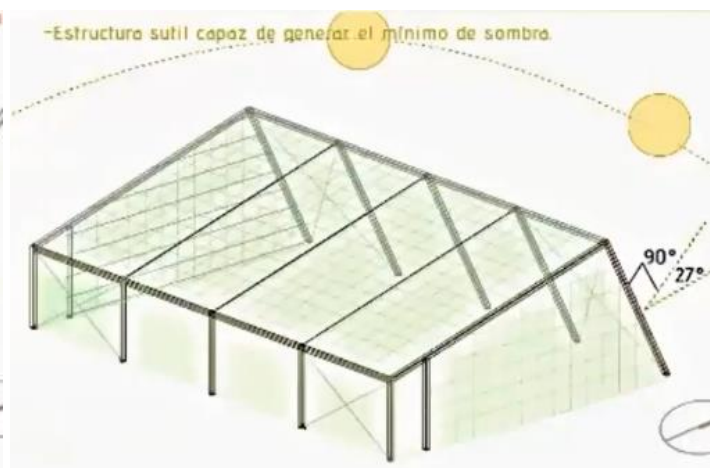


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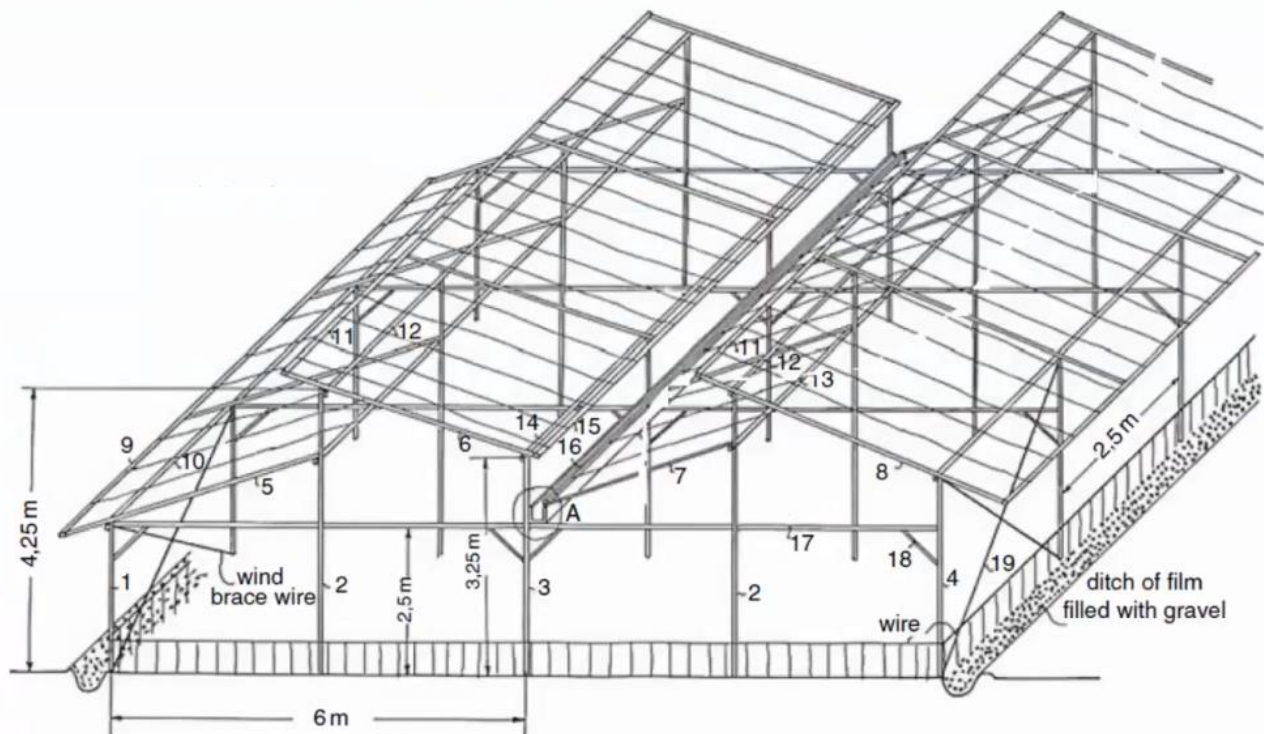
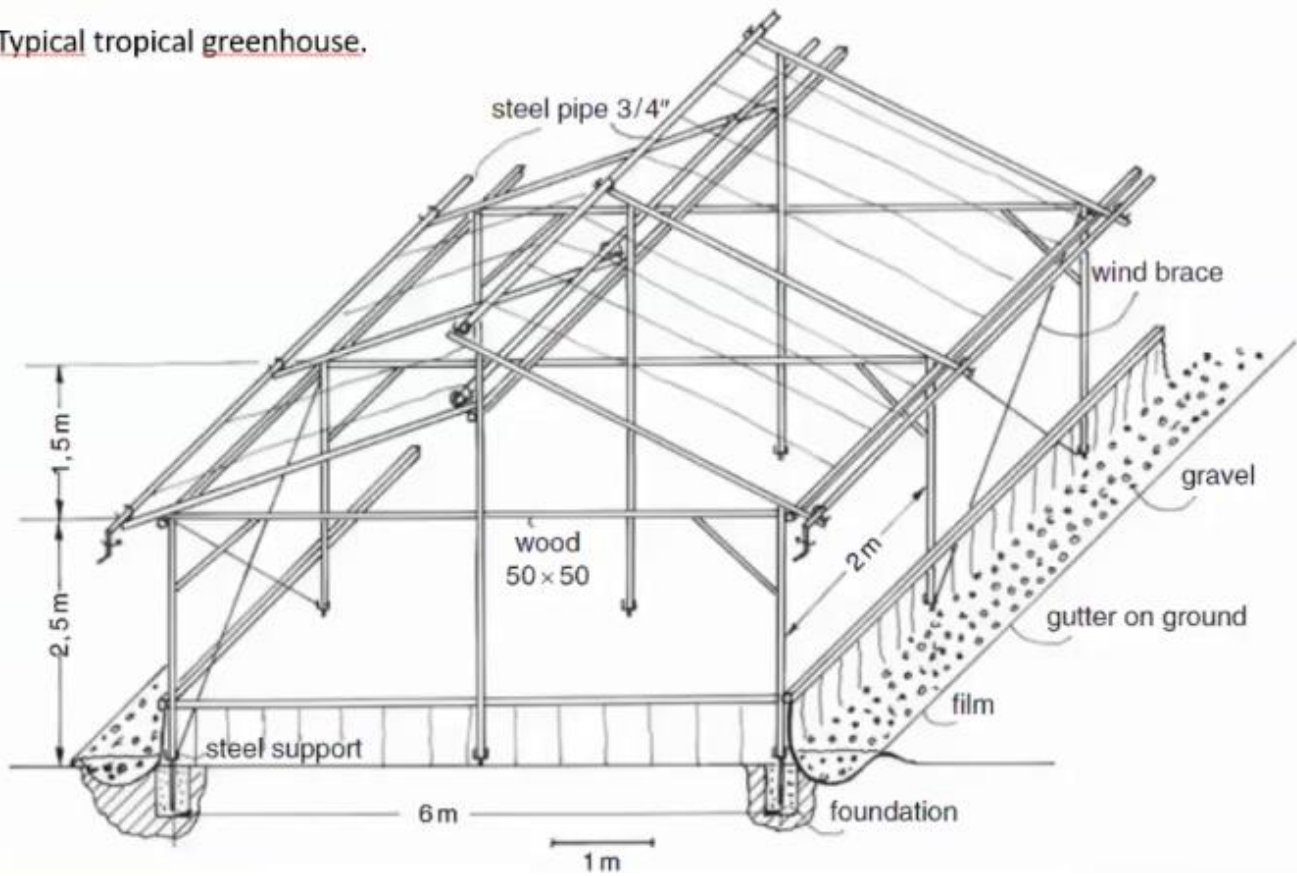






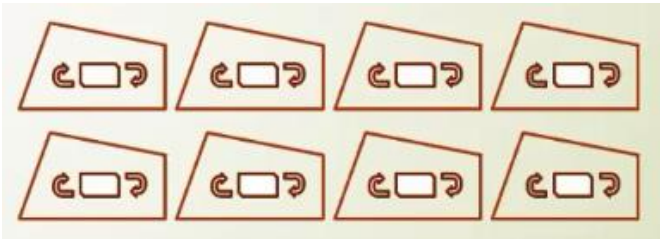


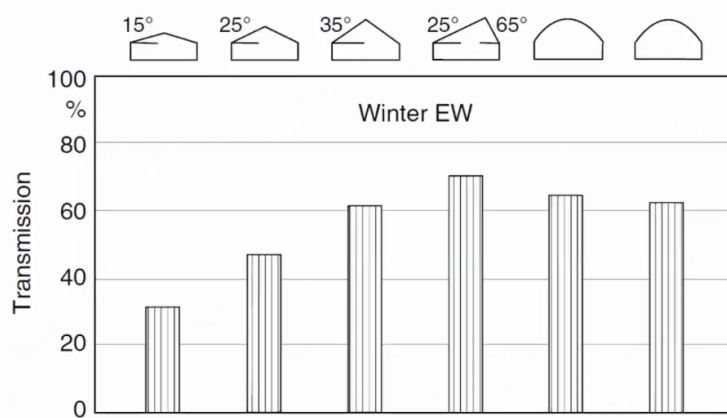
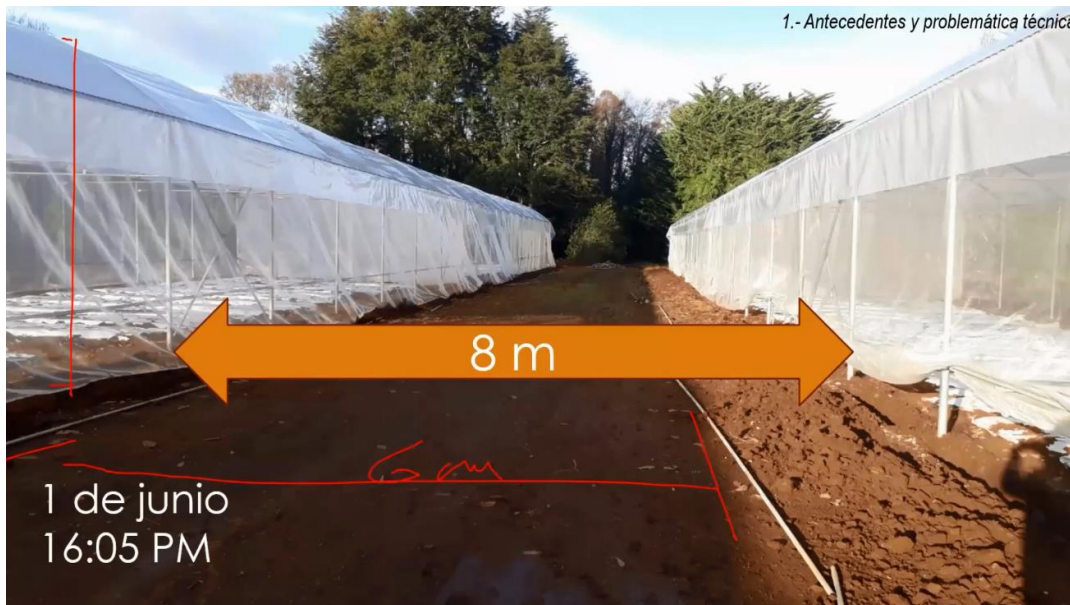
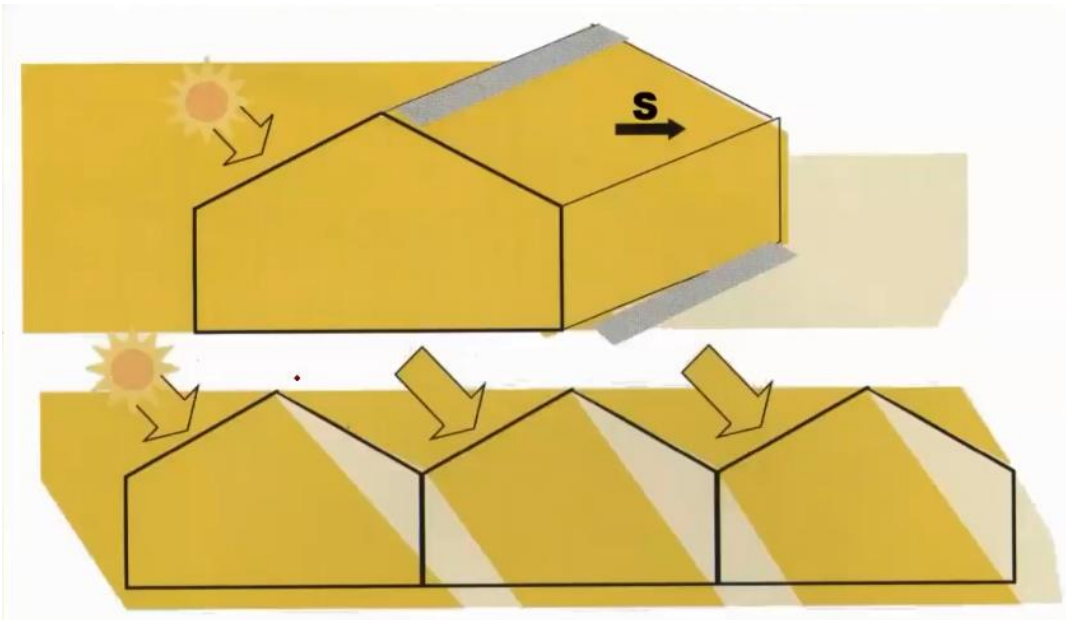
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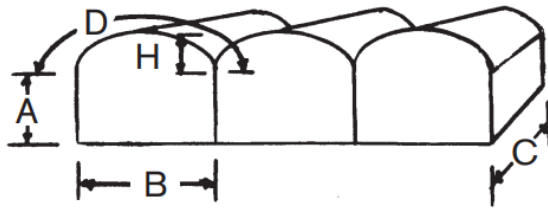
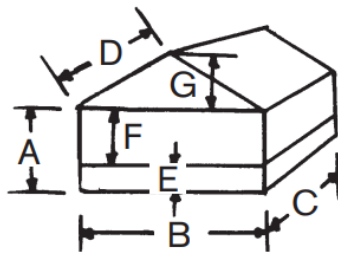
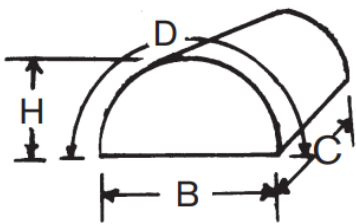






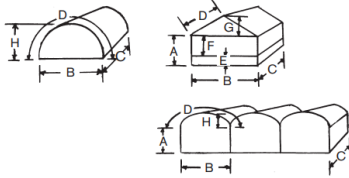


Comprehensive description of the transmittance for EW orientation in winter
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WORKSHEET NO. 4—GREENHOUSE HEAT LOSS CALCULATIONS

The dimensions defined in the diagrams are used throughout the Heat Loss Calculations:



Step 1. List greenhouse dimensions in feet:

Wall height, A =
House width, B =
House length, C =
Rafter length, D =
Lower wall height, E =
Upper wall height, F =
Gable height, G or H =

Step 2. Calculate the appropriate surface areas and perimeter. N is the number of individual house sections forming each greenhouse range.
N = 1 for a single house

Lower wall area:
 $2N(E \times B) + (E \times 2C) =$

Upper wall area:
 $2N(F \times B) + (F \times 2C) =$

Single material wall:
 $2N(A \times B) + (A \times 2C) =$

Gable area:
 $N \times B \times G =$

Curved end area:
 $1.3N \times B \times H =$

Gable roof area:
 $2N \times D \times C =$

Curved roof area:
 $N \times D \times C =$

Perimeter:
 $2[(N \times B) + C] =$

Step 3. List construction materials and U factors for each surface.

Location	Construction Material	U Factor
Lower wall		$U_1 =$
Upper wall		$U_2 =$
Single material wall		$U_3 =$
End area		$U_4 =$
Roof		$U_5 =$
Perimeter		$U_6 =$

Step 4. Calculate appropriate conduction heat loss, h_c .

$h_c = \text{Area} \times U \times \Delta T$

T = Inside night temperature – minimum outside temperature

Lower wall area $\times U_1 \times \Delta T =$

Upper wall area $\times U_2 \times \Delta T =$

Single wall area $\times U_3 \times \Delta T =$

Gable or curved end area \times

$U_4 \times \Delta T =$

Roof area $\times U_5 \times \Delta T =$

Perimeter length $\times U_6 \times \Delta T =$

Total = $Q_c =$

Step 5. Calculate greenhouse volume.

Gable house volume:
 $N[(A \times B \times C) + (B \times G \times C/2)] =$

Single curved roof house volume:
 $2H \times B \times C/3 =$

Multiple curved roof volume:
 $N[(A \times B \times C) + (2H \times B \times C/3)] =$

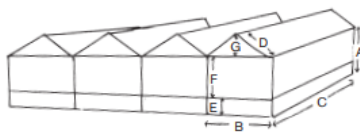
Step 6. Calculate air infiltration losses, h_{inf} .

$h_{inf} = 0.02 \times \Delta T \times \text{Volume} \times \text{Air changes/hour}$
(Table 4-5, page 66)

Step 7. Calculate total heat loss, h_t .

$h_t = h_c + h_{inf} =$

WORKSHEET NO. 4—EXAMPLE



N = 4
 $\Delta T = 60^\circ\text{F}$

Step 1. List greenhouse dimensions in feet:

Wall height, A = 8
House width, B = 24
House length, C = 192
Rafter length, D = 13.4
Lower wall height, E = 1.5
Upper wall height, F = 6.5
Gable height, G or H = 6

Step 2. Calculate the appropriate surface areas and perimeter. N is the number of individual house sections forming each greenhouse range.
N = 1 for a single house

Lower wall area:
 $2N(E \times B) + (E \times 2C) = (2)(4)[(1.5)(24) + (1.5)(2)(192)] = 864 \text{ ft}^2$

Upper wall area:
 $2N(F \times B) + (F \times 2C) = (2)(4)[(6.5)(24) + (6.5)(2)(192)] = 3,744 \text{ ft}^2$

Single material wall:
 $2N(A \times B) + (A \times 2C) =$

Gable area:
 $N \times B \times G = (4)(24)(6) = 576 \text{ ft}^2$

Curved end area:
 $1.3N \times B \times H =$

Gable roof area:
 $2N \times D \times C = (2)(4)(13.4)(192) = 20,582 \text{ ft}^2$

Curved roof area:
 $N \times D \times C =$

Perimeter:
 $2[(N \times B) + C] = 2[(4)(24) + 192] = 576 \text{ ft}$

Step 3. List construction materials and U factors for each surface.

Location	Construction Material	U Factor
Lower wall		$U_1 = 0.75$
Upper wall		$U_2 = 1.1$
Single material wall		$U_3 =$
End area		$U_4 = 1.1$
Roof		$U_5 = 1.1$
Perimeter		$U_6 = 0.8$

Step 4. Calculate appropriate conduction heat loss, h_c .

$h_c = \text{Area} \times U \times \Delta T$

$\Delta T = \text{Inside night temperature} - \text{minimum outside temperature}$

Lower wall area $\times U_1 \times \Delta T = 864(0.75)(60) = 38,880$

Upper wall area $\times U_2 \times \Delta T = 3,744(1.1)(60) = 247,104$

Single wall area $\times U_3 \times \Delta T =$

Gable or curved end area \times
 $U_4 \times \Delta T = 576(1.1)(60) = 38,016$

Roof area $\times U_5 \times \Delta T = 20,582(1.1)(60) = 1,358,412$

Perimeter length $\times U_6 \times \Delta T = 576(0.8)(60) = 27,648$

Total $h_c = 1,710,060 \text{ Btu/hr.}$

Step 5. Calculate greenhouse volume.

Gable house volume:
 $N[(A \times B \times C) + (B \times G \times C/2)] =$
 $4[(8)(24)(192) + 24(6)(192)(0.5)] = 202,752 \text{ cu.ft.}$

Single curved roof house volume:
 $2H \times B \times C/3 =$

Multiple curved roof volume:
 $N[(A \times B \times C) + (2H \times B \times C/3)] =$

Step 6. Calculate air infiltration losses, h_{inf} .

$h_{inf} = 0.02 \times \Delta T \times \text{Volume} \times \text{Air changes/hour}$
(Table 4-5, page 66)
 $= 0.02(60)(202,752)(1) = 243,300 \text{ Btu/hr.}$

Step 7. Calculate total heat loss, h_t .

$h_t = h_c + h_{inf} = 1,710,060 + 243,300 = 1,953,360 \text{ Btu/hr.}$

SAMPLE WORKSHEET NO. 5—GREENHOUSE COOLING CALCULATIONS

Step 1. List greenhouse dimensions in feet:

House width, A = 96 ft.
House length, B = 192 ft.

Step 2. Calculate ground area for each house:

$A \times B = 18,432 \text{ ft}^2$

Step 3. Calculate air flow required for each house:
(Use 8 cfm/ft.² of ground area)

$A \times B \times 8 \text{ cfm/ft}^2 = 147,456 \text{ cfm of installed capacity}$

Step 4. Select fans from manufacturer's catalog to provide a minimum of three stages of ventilation (provide 2 cfm/ft.² for first stage).

	Manufacturer Model No.
1) 2 fan(s) at 18,900 cfm	
2) 2 fan(s) at 18,900 cfm	
3) 4 fan(s) at 18,900 cfm	
Total = 151,200 cfm	

Step 5. Size inlet louvers to be at least 10% larger than exhaust fan areas. If continuous wall vents are used, size to air speed $\approx 250 \text{ fpm}$ through vents.

APPENDIX XIII USEFUL CONVERSIONS

Type of Measurement	To convert:	Into:	Multiply by:
Length	feet	inches	12
	yards	inches	36
	rods	feet	16.5
	miles	feet	5,280
	miles	yards	1,760
	millimeters	inches	0.04
	microns	millimeters	0.001
Area	square feet	square inches	144
	square feet	square yards	0.111
	square yards	square inches	1,296
	square yards	square feet	9
	acres	square feet	43,560
	acres	square yards	4,840
	sections	acres	640
Mass Weight	ounces	grams	28.3495
	pounds	kilograms	0.4539
	short tons	megagrams (metric tons)	0.9078
	grams	ounces	0.3527
	kilograms	pounds	2.205
	megagrams (metric tons)	short tons	1.1016
Volume	cubic feet	cubic inches	1,728
	cubic feet	cubic yards	0.037
	cubic feet	bushels	0.804
	cubic feet	gallons	7.48
	cubic yards	cubic feet	27
	cubic yards	cubic inches	46,656
	cubic yards	bushels	21.71
	barrels (dry)	bushels	3.281
	barrels (dry)	quarts	105
	barrels (dry)	cubic inches	7,056
	bushels	cubic yards	21.7
	bushels	cubic feet	1.24
	bushels	cubic inches	2,150.4
	gallons (dry)	cubic inches	269
	gallons (liquid)	cubic inches	231
	gallons (liquid)	quarts	4
	quarts (dry)	cubic inches	67.2
	quarts (liquid)	cubic inches	57.7
	pints (liquid)	cubic inches	28.87
	ounces (liquid)	cubic inches	1.805
	ounces (liquid)	tablespoons	2
	ounces (liquid)	teaspoons	6
	ounces (liquid)	milliliters	29.57

SAMPLE WORKSHEET NO. 6—EVAPORATIVE (PAD) COOLING CALCULATIONS

Step 1. Calculate face area of pad:

Installed cfm divided by 250 for cellulose pads,
or divided by 150 for aspen shavings pads.

$$\frac{151,200}{\text{cfm}} \div 250 = \frac{605}{\text{ft.}^2}$$

$$\frac{\text{cfm}}{150} = \frac{\text{ft.}^2}{\text{ft.}^2}$$

Step 2. Calculate pad height to extend full length of one wall:

$$\frac{605}{\text{ft.}^2} \div \frac{192}{\text{ft.}} = \frac{3.2}{\text{ft.}} \text{ of pad height}$$

(use 3.0 ft.)

Step 3. Calculate water flow rate and pump size:

$$\frac{192}{\text{ft.}} \times 0.5 \text{ gpm/linear ft. of pad} = \frac{96}{\text{gpm}}$$

Step 4. Calculate pump size:

$$\frac{576}{\text{ft.}^2} \text{ of pad} \times 0.75 \text{ gal./ft.}^2 = \frac{432}{\text{gal.}}$$

For a system in which pad-to-fan distance is less than 100 ft., increase installed fan capacity by the factor $F = \frac{10}{\sqrt{D}}$, where D is the pad-to-fan distance.

[Useful Conversions continued]

Type of Measurement	To convert:	Into:	Multiply by:
Liquid Volume	ounces	milliliters	29.59
		(cubic centimeters)	
	pints	liters	0.4732
	quarts	liters	0.9463
	gallons	liters	3.785
	milliliters	ounces	0.0338
	(cubic centimeters)		
	liters	pints	2.113
	liters	quarts	1.057
	liters	gallons	0.2642

Parts Per Million

$$1 \text{ oz./gal.} = 7,490 \text{ ppm}$$

$$1 \text{ oz./100 gal.} = 75 \text{ ppm}$$

To determine parts per million (ppm) of an element in a fertilizer, simply multiply the percent of that element by 75. The answer will be the ppm of the element per ounce of the fertilizer in 100 gallons of water.

As an example, ammonium sulfate contains approximately 20% nitrogen. Multiply 20% (.20) by 75, which equals 15, the ppm of nitrogen in 1 oz. of ammonium sulfate/100 gal. of water.

Temperature Conversions

To convert Fahrenheit to Celcius (Centigrade): Subtract 32 and multiply by .55 (= 5/9), thus:
(68°F - 32) x .55 = 20°C.

To convert Celcius to Fahrenheit: Multiply by 1.8 (= 9/5) and add 32, thus:
(60°C x 1.8) + 32 = 140°F.

Formulas: $(^{\circ}\text{F} - 32) \times (5/9) = ^{\circ}\text{C}$
 $(^{\circ}\text{C} \times (9/5)) + 32 = ^{\circ}\text{F}$

SAMPLE WORKSHEET NO. 1—GREENHOUSE FACILITY PLANNING

General specifications

Cropping System:		Growing Period:	
Bedding plants	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	All year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pot plants	<input type="checkbox"/>	Part year	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Cut flowers	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Woody ornamentals	<input type="checkbox"/>	Growing System	
Vegetables	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fixed benches	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Moving benches	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Production Unit:		Annual Production:	
Pots	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pots	<input type="checkbox"/>
Flats	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Flats	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Blooms	<input type="checkbox"/>	Blooms	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Growing Media:		Marketing System:	
Soil, site mixed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wholesale only	<input type="checkbox"/>
Soil, purchased	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wholesale/retail	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hydroponic	<input type="checkbox"/>	Retail only	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marketing Period:			
All year	<input type="checkbox"/>	From _____ to _____	
Seasonal	<input type="checkbox"/>		

Activity

Media Preparation:		As needed	<input type="checkbox"/>	For season	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mixed on site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	As needed	<input type="checkbox"/>	For season	<input type="checkbox"/>
Purchased	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Volume Required:					
yds./day	<input type="checkbox"/>	yds./season	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Components:	#1 soil	#2 peat	#3 perlite		
Vol. req./day	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Vol. req./season	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

Seeding/Germination:

Yes	<u>X</u>	No	_____	Flat size	<u>11.5" x 21.25"</u>
No. of flats:	_____	per day	_____	per week	<u>300</u>
Max. no. of seed flats germinating at one time:	_____		<u>380</u>		

Transplanting:

Yes X No _____

Transplanting from:

Seed flats X
Plugs _____
Cuttings _____
Other _____

Growing container:	Type	Size	No./ day	No./ week
	<u>6 pack flat</u>	<u>11.5" x 21.25"</u>	<u>740</u>	<u>3,700</u>
	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____

Max. no. of growing containers in use at one time: 27,890

Marketing-Order Assembly:

Marketing Unit	<u>flat</u>	Size	<u>11.5" x 21.25"</u>
No./shipping container	_____		<u>70</u>
No. containers/carrier	_____		<u>14</u>
Maximum No. of shipping containers/day	_____		<u>14</u>
Maximum No. of carriers at any one time	_____		<u>1</u>

Production Areas:

Seeding:	ft ²	<u>200</u>	Conditioning:	ft ²	<u>1,860</u>
Germinating:	ft ²	<u>700</u>	Growing:	ft ²	<u>52,700</u>
Transplanting:	ft ²	<u>600</u>	Total Production Area:	ft ²	<u>56,060 *</u>

* allow for walkway, etc.

Ancillary Areas

	Area (ft ²)
Dry storage (flats, market packs, pots, labels, etc.)	<u>360</u>
Office	<u>160</u>
Employee (toilet, eating, etc.)	<u>1,000</u>
Chemicals (pesticides, fertilizers, etc.)	<u>120</u>
Central heating, mechanical service, fuel storage	<u>180</u>
Refrigeration (cold storage)	<u>—</u>
Parking: Employee	<u>2,400</u>
Public (receiving, shipping, visitors)	<u>2,400</u>
Total Antillary Areas:	<u>6,620</u>

SAMPLE WORKSHEET NO. 2—STORAGE & MECHANIZATION REQUIREMENTS

Sample for a Bedding Plant Operation

- A. No. of containers to be filled /season 10,000 (flats) containers / season
 B. Length of production season 40 days / season
 C. Work hours / day 7 hours / day
 D. Daily output required = A ÷ B (10,000 ÷ 40) 250 flats/day containers / day
 E. Hourly output required = D ÷ C (25 ÷ 7) 36 flats/hr containers / hours
 F. Volume of media required = A ÷ containers filled / cu. yd.
 (10,000 ÷ 95) 105 yd.³
 (see Appendix V and VI, 13" x 15" flat, 95 filled / yd.³)
 G. Storage floor area required for media = (F x 27) ÷ depth of media (ft.)
 (105 x 27) ÷ 6 [assume media depth is 6ft.] 473 ft.²
 H. Volume of media required / day = F ÷ B
 (105 ÷ 40) 2.6 yd.³ / day
 I. Labor hours required to fill containers = A ÷ containers / labor hour
 (10,000 ÷ 60) 167 hours
 (see Appendix VI, hand filling = 60 flats / hour)
 J. Hours per day filling containers = I ÷ B (167 ÷ 40) 4.2 hours / day
 K. Volume of media handled / hour = H ÷ J (2.6 ÷ 4.2) 0.62 yd.³ / hour
 L. No. of tractor-trailer units required none

Equipment Required¹Work Crew²

Mixer 1 person to load and unload mixer, deliver and remove flats

¹ Does not include seeders, transplanters, waterers.

² Work crew to operate equipment listed.

SAMPLE WORKSHEET NO. 3—CALCULATING MACHINERY COSTS

Machine Flat/pot filling machine w/ supply hopper and belt conveyor. A bucket loader is already owned.

Original cost \$12,000

Estimated useful life 10 years

Estimated hours of use per year 15 flats/minute x 60 minutes/hour = 900 flats/hour

Yearly Production	Hours of use
25,000 flats	28
50,000	56
75,000	84
100,000	112

Salvage or trade-in value (if any) \$2,000

Fixed Cost

	Annual Cost
Depreciation	<u>\$ 1000.00</u>
Interest on Investment	<u>\$ 560.00</u>
Taxes	<u>\$ 360.00</u>
Insurance	<u>\$ 30.00</u>
Shelter	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total Fixed Cost	<u>\$ 1,970.00</u>

Variable Cost

	Annual Cost
Electricity	<u>\$ 10.00</u>
Repair cost (parts & labor)	<u>\$ 660.00</u>
Labor	<u>\$ 525.00</u>
Total Variable Cost	<u>\$ 1,195.00</u>

Total Annual Cost = \$1,970.00 + 1,195.00 = \$3,165.00

Total Cost/Hour = \$3,165 ÷ 28 hours = \$113

Total Cost/Flat = \$3,165 ÷ 25,000 flats = 13¢ / flat

SAMPLE WORKSHEET NO. 2—STORAGE & MECHANIZATION REQUIREMENTS

Sample for a Nursery Operation

Must can 500,000 gallon cans during a 90-day production season. Average production hours equal 7 hr./day. Tractors pulling two trailers holding 200 cans each move plants to fields, requiring 20 minutes for each trip.

- A. No. of containers to be filled /season 500,000 (1 gal. cans) containers / season
 B. Length of production season 50 days / season
 C. Work hours / day 7 hours / day
 D. Daily output required = A ÷ B (500,000 ÷ 50) 10,000 cans containers / day
 E. Hourly output required = D ÷ C (10,000 ÷ 7) 1,429 containers / hours
 F. Volume of media required = A ÷ containers filled / cu. yd.
 (500,000 ÷ 252) 1,985 yd.³
 (see Appendix V, 252 one gal cans / yd.³)
 G. Storage floor area required for media = (F x 27) ÷ depth of media (ft.)
 (1,985 x 27) ÷ 6 [assume media depth is 6ft.] 8,932 ft.²
 H. Volume of media required / day = F ÷ B (1,985 ÷ 50) 40 yd.³ / day
 I. Labor hours required to fill containers = A ÷ containers / labor hour
 (500,000 ÷ 1,429) 350 hours
 J. Hours per day filling containers = I ÷ B (350 ÷ 50) 7 hours / day
 K. Volume of media handled / hour = H ÷ J (40 ÷ 7) 5.7 yd.³ / hour
 L. No. of tractor-trailer units required 2

Equipment Required ¹	Work Crew ²
Front end loader	Front end loader – 1
Mixer	Pot filling – 2
Feeder bin	Moving plants to growing beds – 4
Pot filler	
Belt conveyor	
2 tractors	
4 trailers	

¹ Does not include seeders, transplanters, waterers.

² Work crew to operate equipment listed.

APPENDIX V CONTAINER CAPACITIES

Table 1. Number of containers filled per unit of rooting media.

Container Size	Containers per bushel	Containers per yd. ³	Container Size	Containers per bushel	Containers per yd. ³
<i>Pot, STD Round</i>			<i>Pot, Hanging Basket</i>		
2.25"	320	6,900	6"	25	540
2.50"	260	5,600	8"	10	215
3.00"	150	3,240	10"	6	135
3.50"	100	2,160	12"	5	110
4.00"	60	1,300			
4.50"	50	1,080			
5.00"	35	750			
5.50"	25	540	<i>Gallon Container</i>		
6.00"	20	430			
7.00"	12	270			
8.00"	7	160			
10.00"	4	80	1 gal.	11.7	252
			2 gal.	5.8	126
			3 gal.	3.9	84
			4 gal.	2.9	63
			5 gal.	2.3	50
<i>Pot, Round Azalea</i>			<i>2.5" Deep Flats</i>		
4.0"	70	1,500	11" x 22"	3.5	77
4.5"	55	1,180	12" x 24"	3.1	67
5.0"	35	750	13" x 15"	4.4	95
5.5"	30	650	14" x 16"	3.8	83
6.0"	22	480	14" x 18"	3.4	74
6.5"	20	430	15" x 20"	2.8	62
7.0"	15	325	16" x 16"	3.3	72
7.5"	12	270	16" x 21"	2.5	55
8.0"	9	190	16" x 24"	2.2	48
10.0"	5	110			
<i>Pot, Square</i>			Note: Pot numbers are approximate and may vary with soil type, fill level, and manufacturer.		
2.25"	444	9,600			
3.00"	160	3,450			
4.00"	70	1,510			

SUMMARY AND COMPARISON—WORKSHEET NO. 3 CONTINUED

	Yearly Production—flats			
	25,000	50,000	75,000	100,000
Fixed Costs				
Depreciation	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
Interest on Investment	560	560	560	560
Taxes	360	360	360	360
Insurance	30	30	30	30
Shelter	20	20	20	20
Total Fixed Costs	\$1,970	\$1,970	\$1,970	\$1,970
Variable Costs				
Electricity	\$10	\$20	\$30	\$40
Repairs	660	660	700	750
Labor	525	1050	1575	2100
Total Variable Costs	\$1,195	\$1,730	\$2,305	\$2,890
Total Annual Costs	\$3,165	\$3,700	\$4,275	\$4,860
Total Cost/Hour	\$113	\$66	\$51	\$43
Cost/Flat	\$0.13	\$0.07	\$0.06	\$0.05

APPENDIX VI LABOR OUTPUT AND MACHINE CAPACITIES

Table 1. Labor requirements for typical growing tasks.

Growing Task	Labor Required
Soil Mixing	
Mortar mixer	1-1/2-2 yd. ³ /worker/hour
Transit mixer	3-5 "
Shredder-tractor w/bucket loader	15-20 "
Drum mixer—feeder bins	15-20 "
Flat Filling	
Hand	60-100 flats/worker/hr.
Machine	150-300 "
Transplanting—bedding plants	
Hand	8-15 flats/worker/hr.
Cell transplants, production line conveyor	30-50 "
Canning—1 gallon	
Assembly of materials, hand filling & planting, moving to field by trailer	120-150 cans/worker/hr.
Assembly of materials, machine canning, moving to field by trailer	160-400 "
Canning—5 gallon	
Assembly of materials, hand filling & planting, moving to field by trailer	25-35 cans/worker/hr.
Assembly of materials, machine canning, moving to field by trailer	30-60 "
Potting—1 gallon nursery stock	
On ground—in place	400-500 plants/worker/day
In trailer	400-500 "
On assembly conveyor	600-800 "

Table 2. Typical equipment capacities and output.

MACHINE	CAPACITY	OUTPUT
Mixers		
Batch	1 yd. bin with spiral agitator	6-8 yd. ³ /hr.
Batch	2 yd. bin with spiral agitator	10-12 "
Continuous	Feeder bins with drum mixer	≤ 50 "
Flat/Pot Fillers		
Carousel	Semi-automatic 1-4 operators, pots/tubs	400-2,500/hr.
Potting Machine	Pot dispenser/dibble—1-2 operators, pots/cans	≤ 3,000 "
Belt	Pots held in template	9,000 "
Belt	Flats	900-1200 "
Pot Separator	5-1/2-13-in. dia.	≤ 5000/hr.
Plug Extractor	Removes plugs from tray	≤ 20,000/hr.
Precision Seeders		4-8 flats/hr.
Soil Bagger	4 yd. hopper	500-1,000 bags/hr.
Nursery Stock Balling Machine	8-15-in. dia. balls	800-1,200/day
Bare Root Bagger	3 operators	4,000/day
Shredder	3 HP engine	8 yd. ³ /hr.
	5 HP	12 "
	24 HP	40 "

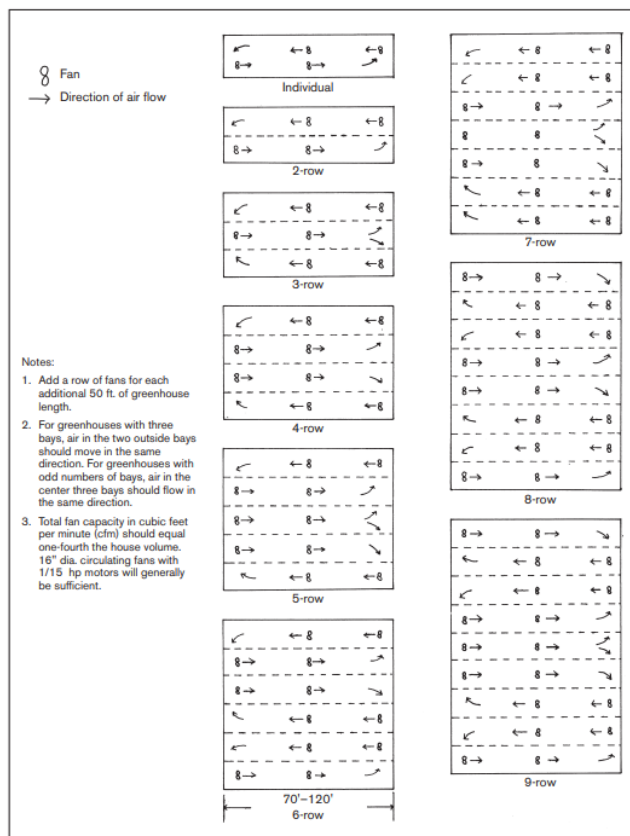


Figure 5-8. Fan layout for horizontal air flow systems to provide uniform temperature distribution.

Separate Variable Costs from Fixed Costs on the Chart of Accounts

Table 3 shows the chart of accounts after the Variable Costs (Cost of Goods Sold) have been separated from the Fixed Costs (Overhead Costs) in the Cornell Greenhouse Business Analysis program.

Table 3. Chart of Accounts after Separating Variable and Fixed Costs

CHART OF ACCOUNTS: GREENHOUSE	
Income	
Wholesale Sales	
Retail Sales	
Other Income	
Variable Costs	
Hired Labor	
Seeds & Plants	
Fertilizer and Spray	
Potting Soil	
Packaging Material (including tags)	
Hard Goods	
Advertising	
Heating Fuel	
Gas/Diesel	
Electricity	
Water/Sewage	
Telephone	
Trucking/Shipping	
Sales Tax	
Fixed Costs	
Interest	
Depreciation	
Insurance	
Repairs, Equipment/Vehicle	
Repairs, Building	
Property Taxes	
Lease/Rental	
Land Rent	
Office Supplies	
Professional Services	
Miscellaneous	