

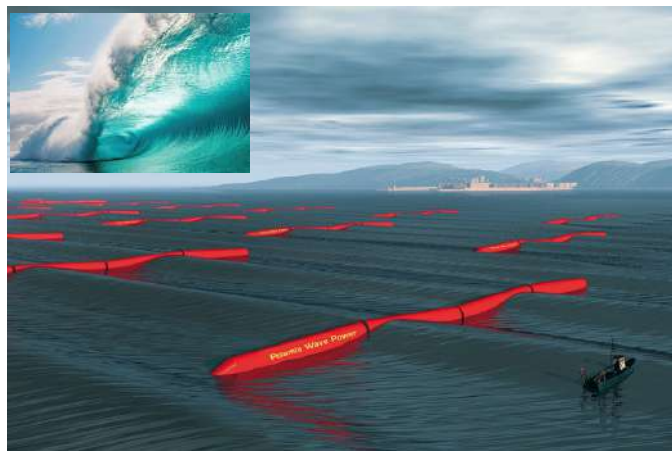


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Part-3 : Non-conventional Energy Resources



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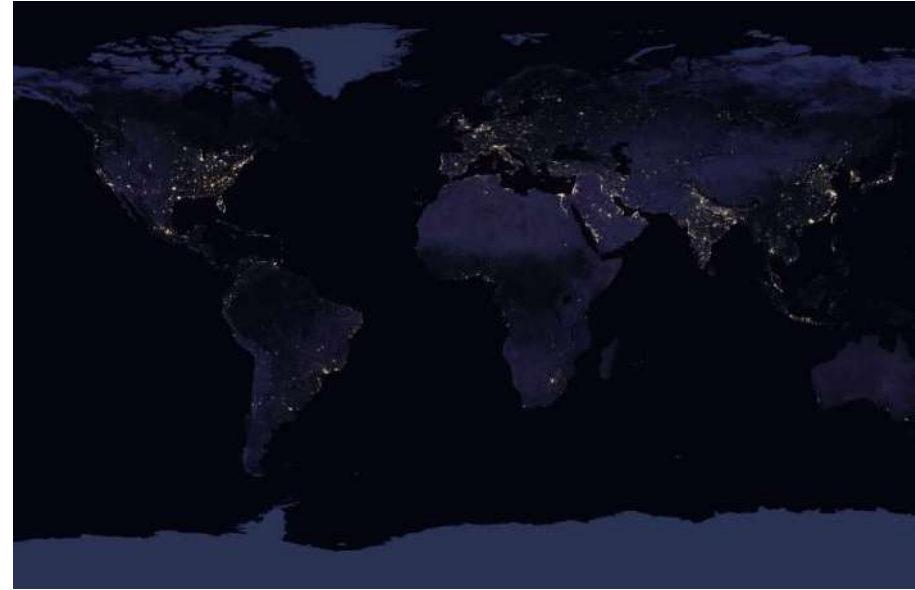
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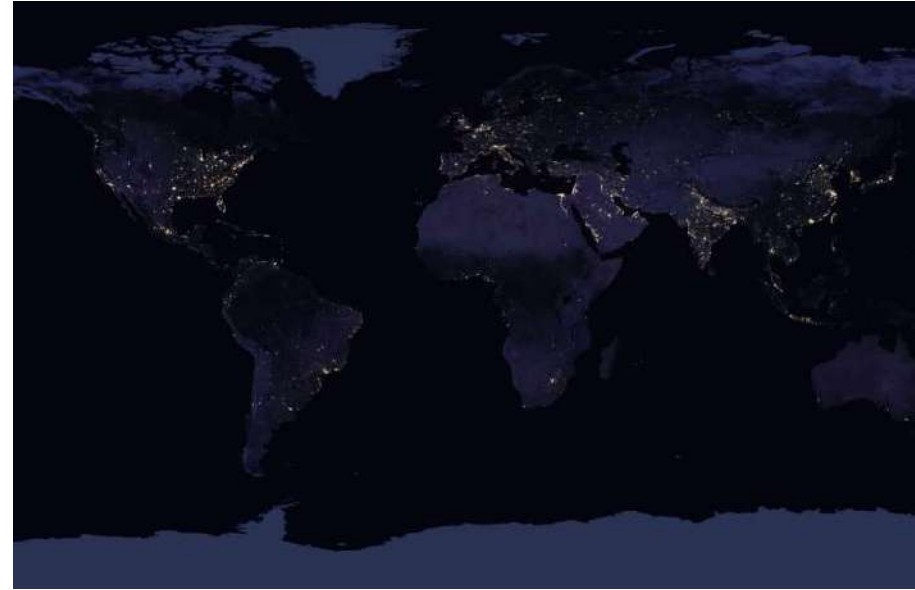
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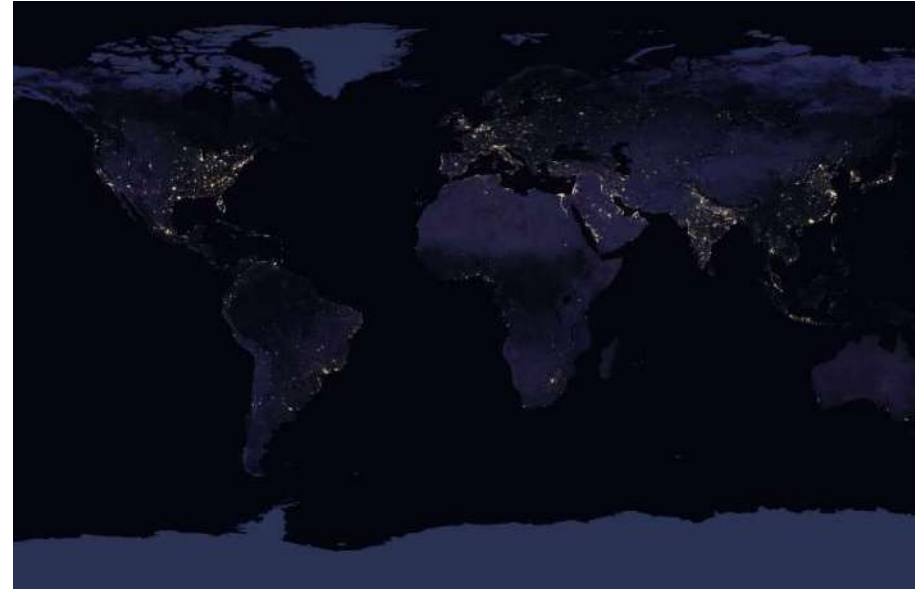
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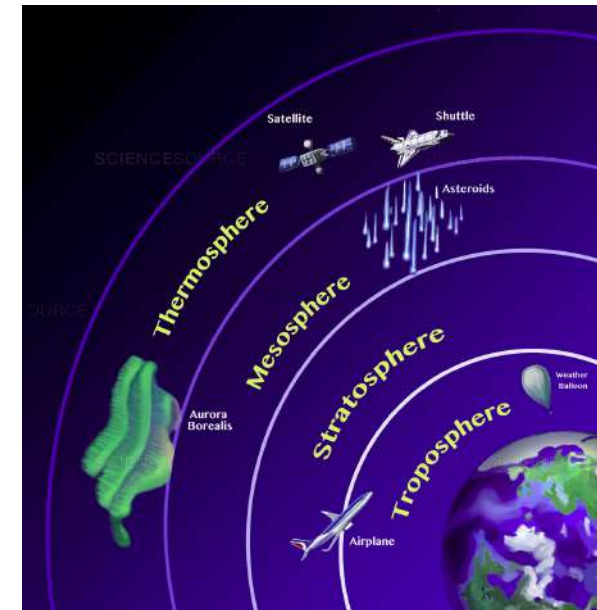
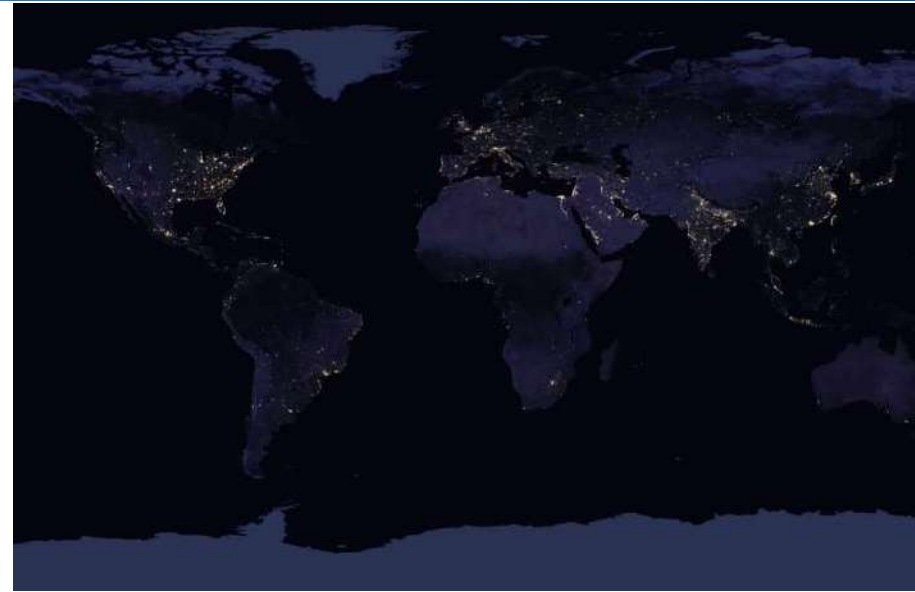
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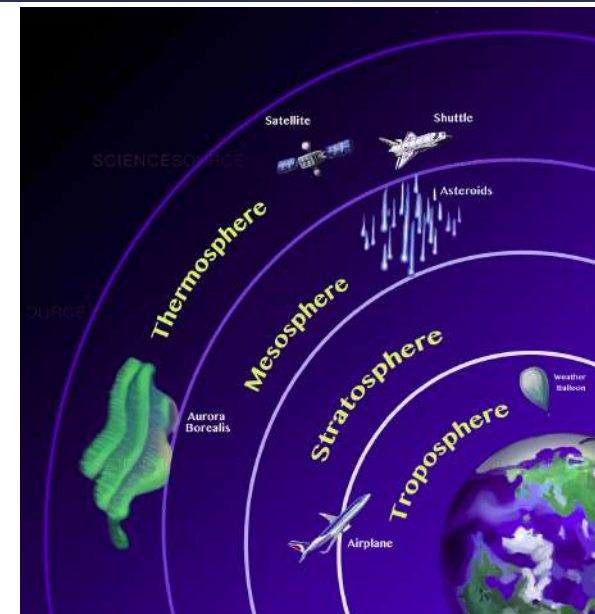
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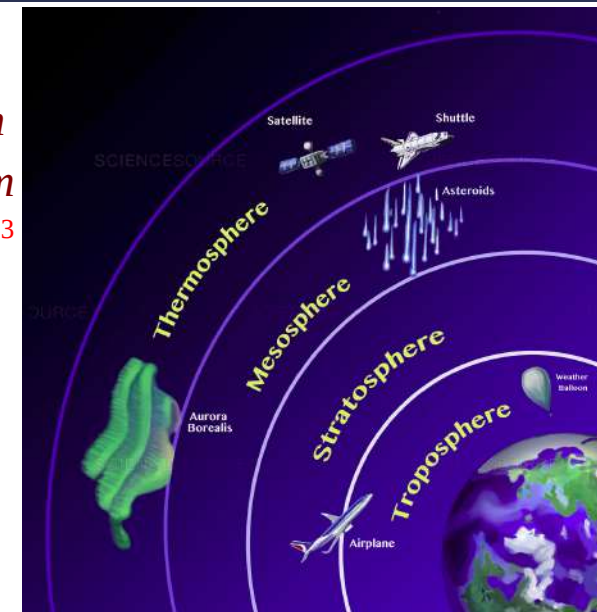
Earth Radius(R) → 6371 Km

Earth+Troposphere Radius(R') → 6383 Km

Earth Volume → $\frac{4}{3} \pi R^3 \sim 1.083 \times 10^{21} m^3$

Troposphere Volume → $\frac{4}{3} \pi R'^3 - \frac{4}{3} \pi R^3$
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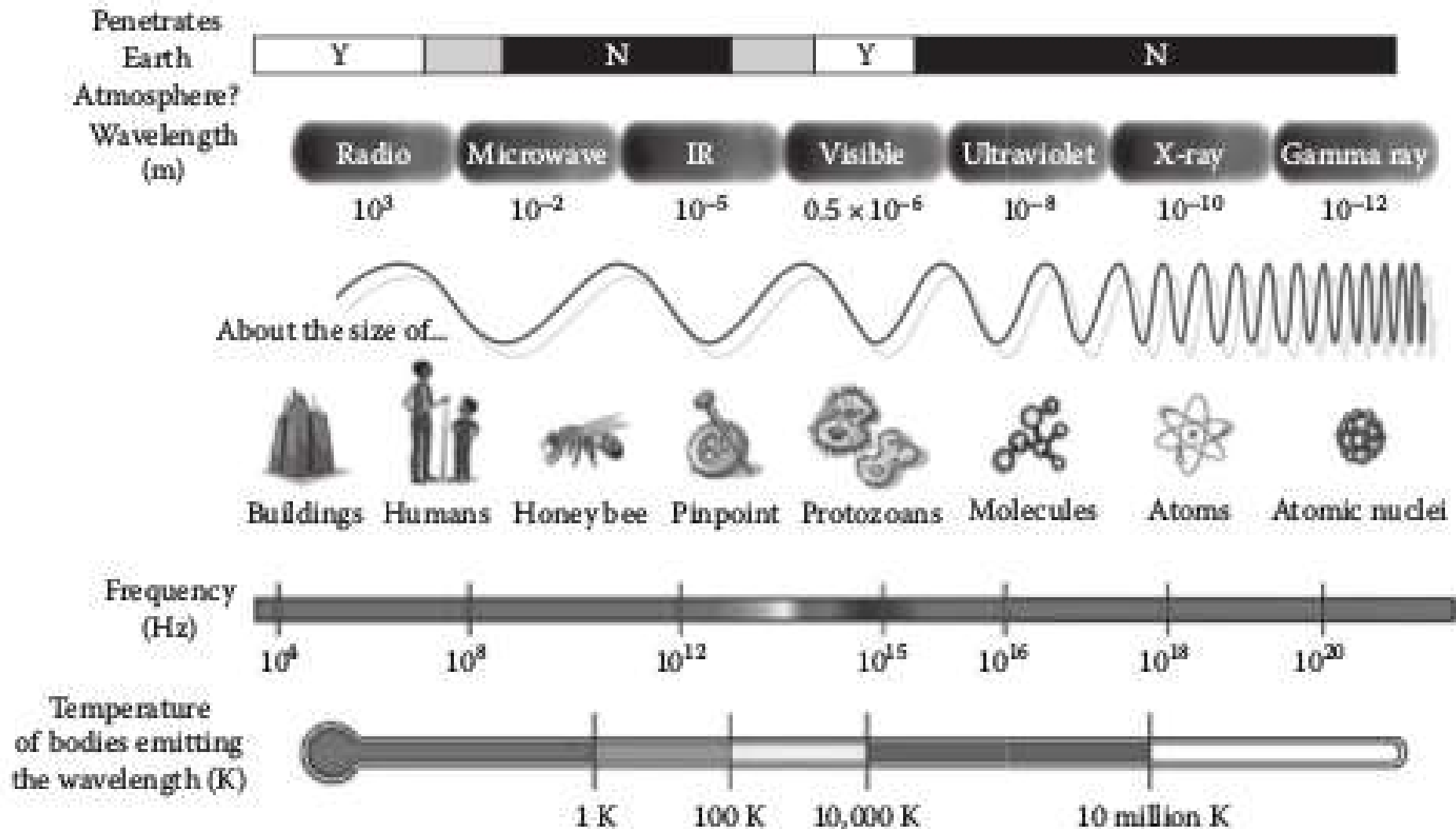
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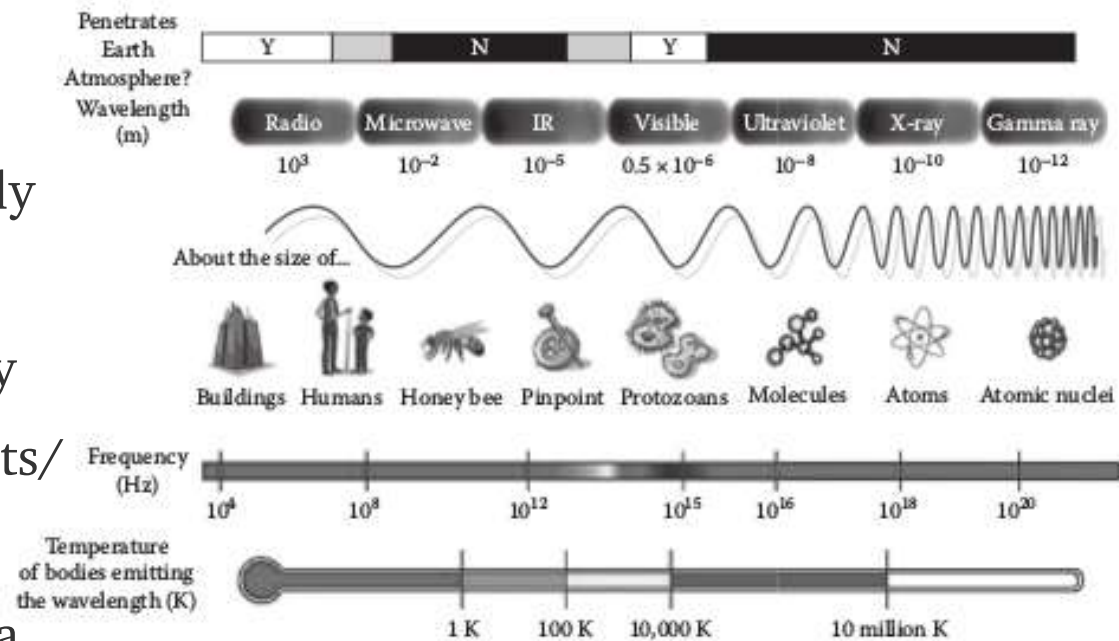
- Sun's energy radiates in all directions & during spreading it weakens. But even after crossing the Ether (void) between Sun & Earth, a flat plate placed above the atmosphere and oriented perpendicular to the rays would receive Sun's EM energy at a rate $\sim 1368 \text{ Watts/meter}^2$. This is called **Solar Constant**.

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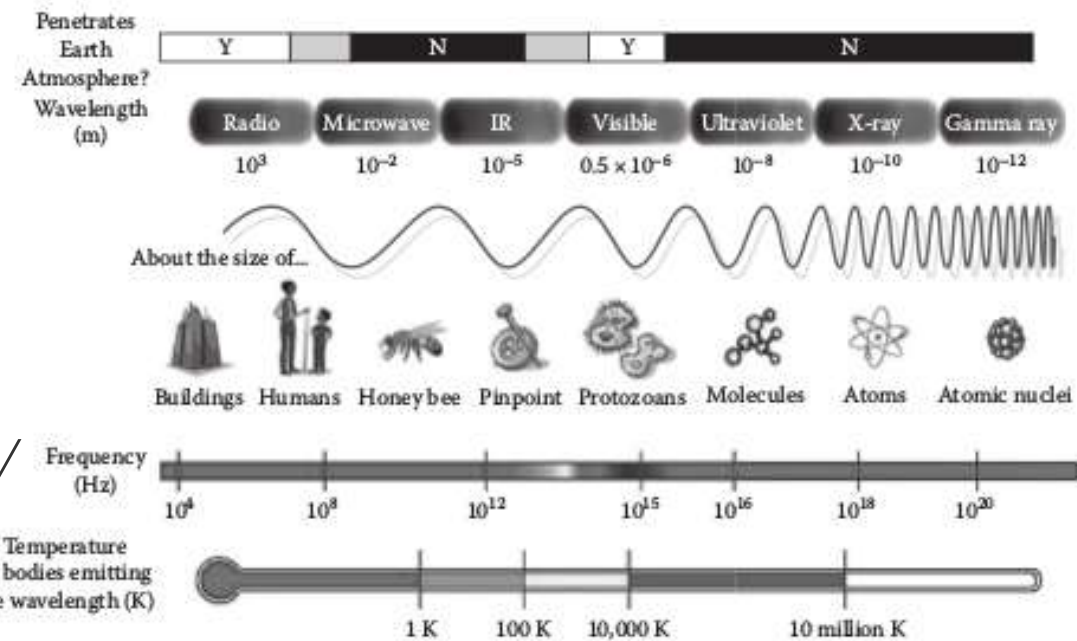
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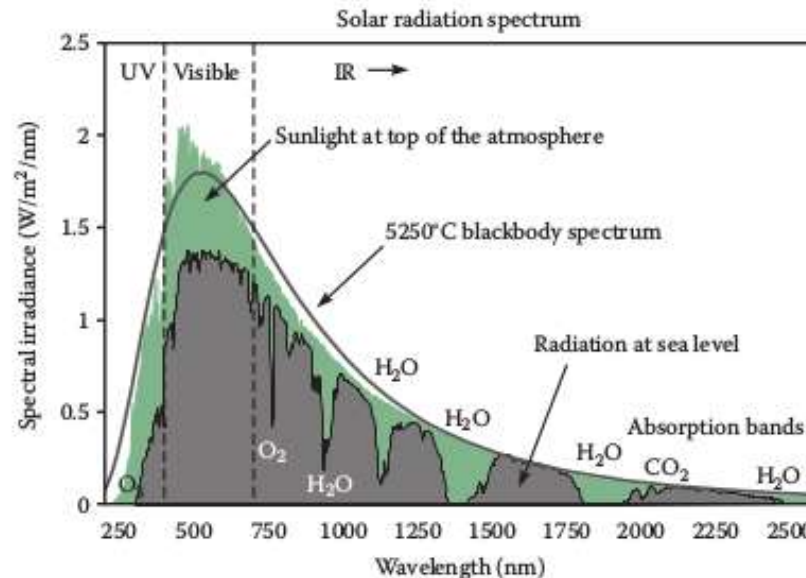
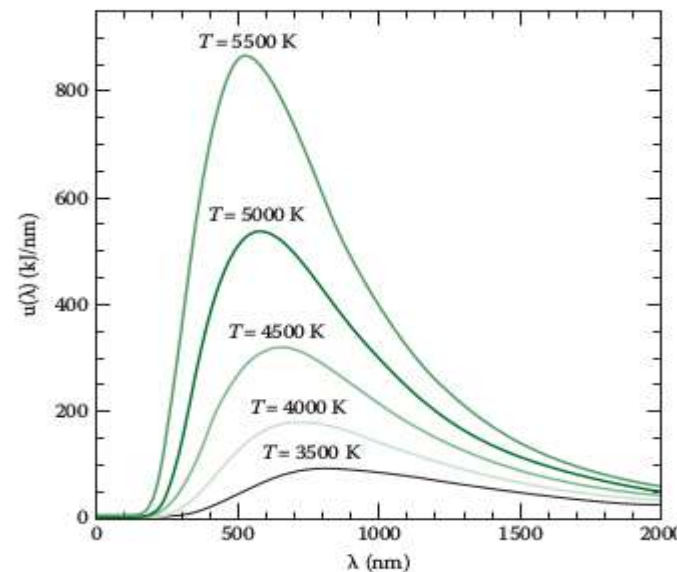


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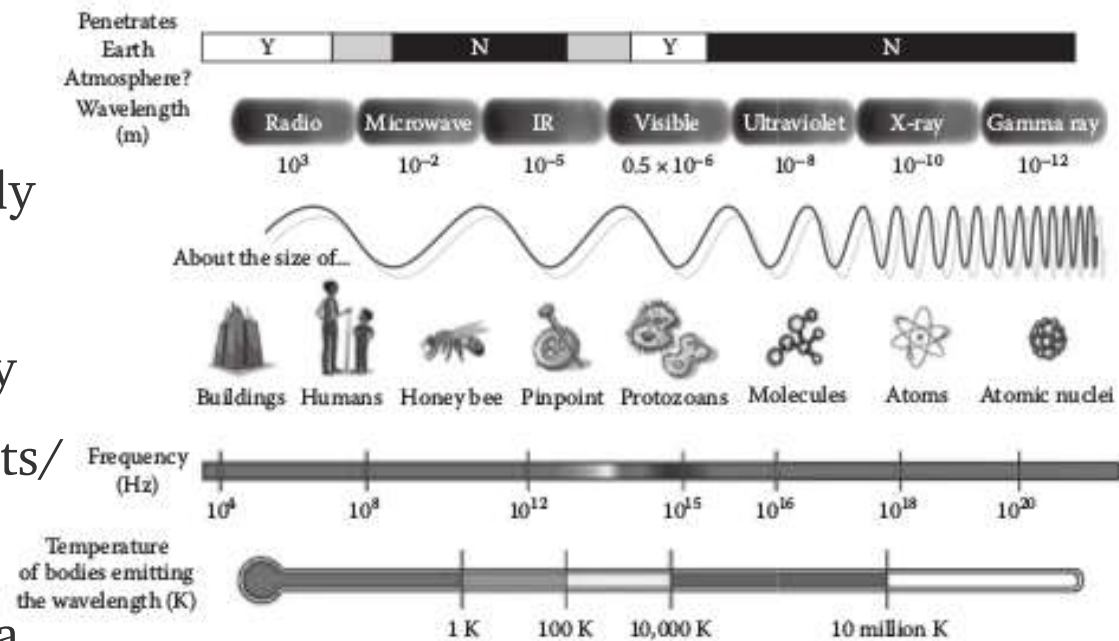
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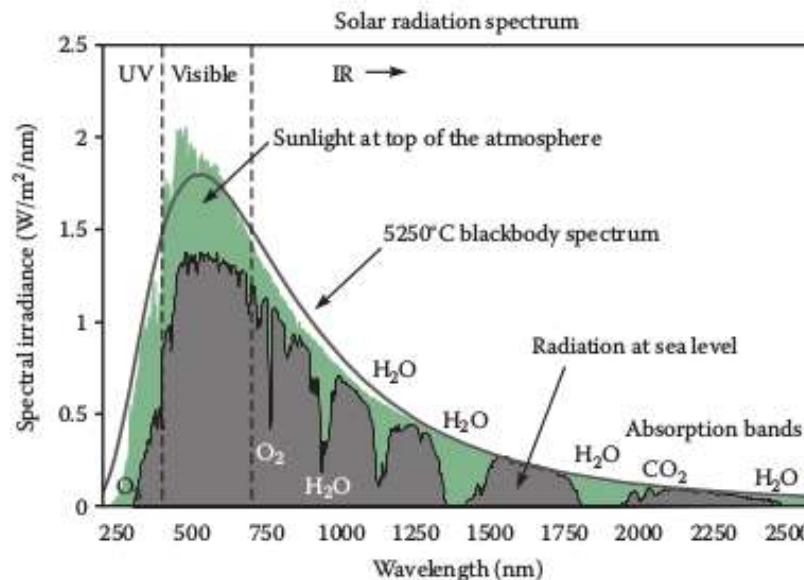
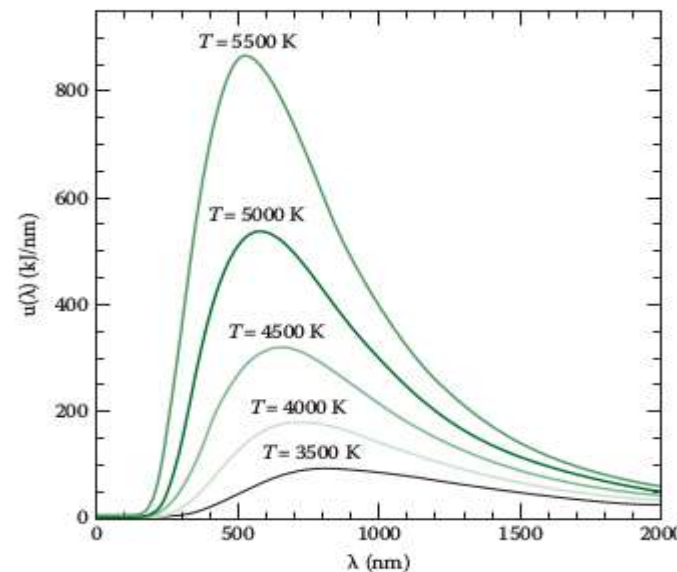


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\Rightarrow peak of the spectrum shifts toward shorter λ , the hotter the emitting blackbody is.

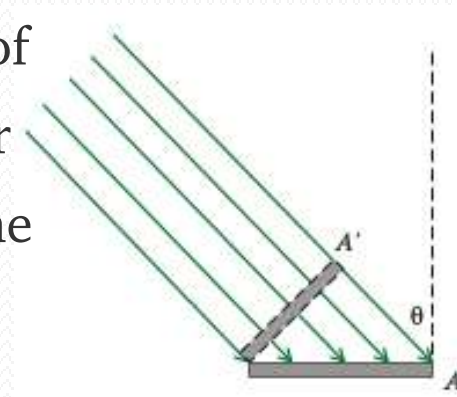
- Wien's law $\lambda_{max} = \frac{0.002898}{T} \text{ mK}$; $\lambda_{max}^{Sun} = 4900 \times 10^{-8} \text{ cm}$, so $T^{Sun}(\text{Photosphere}) = 5902 \text{ K}$ AKB

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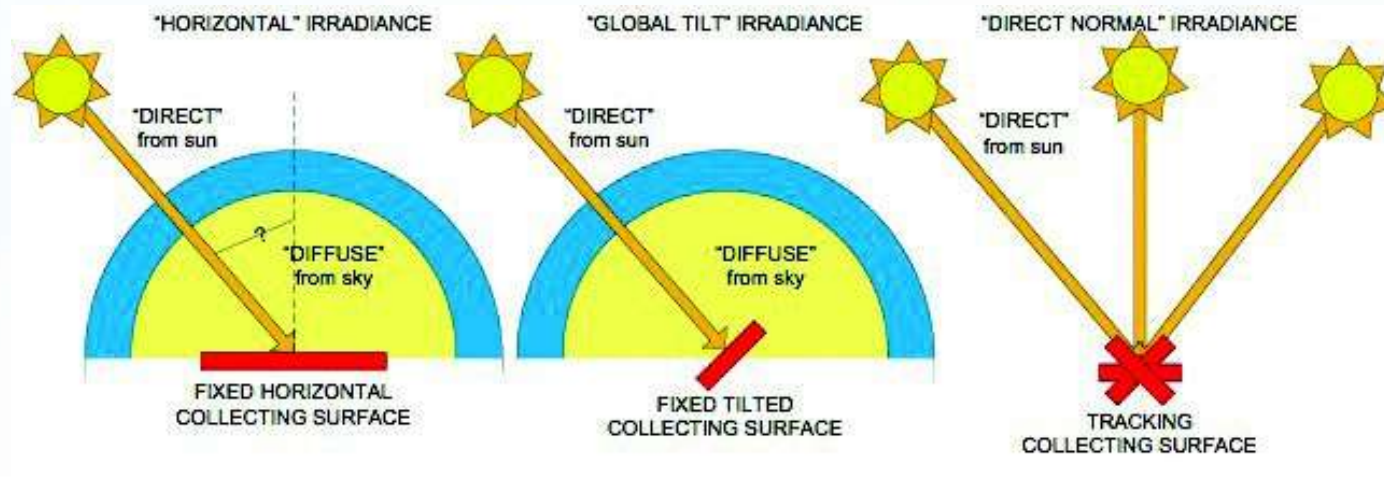
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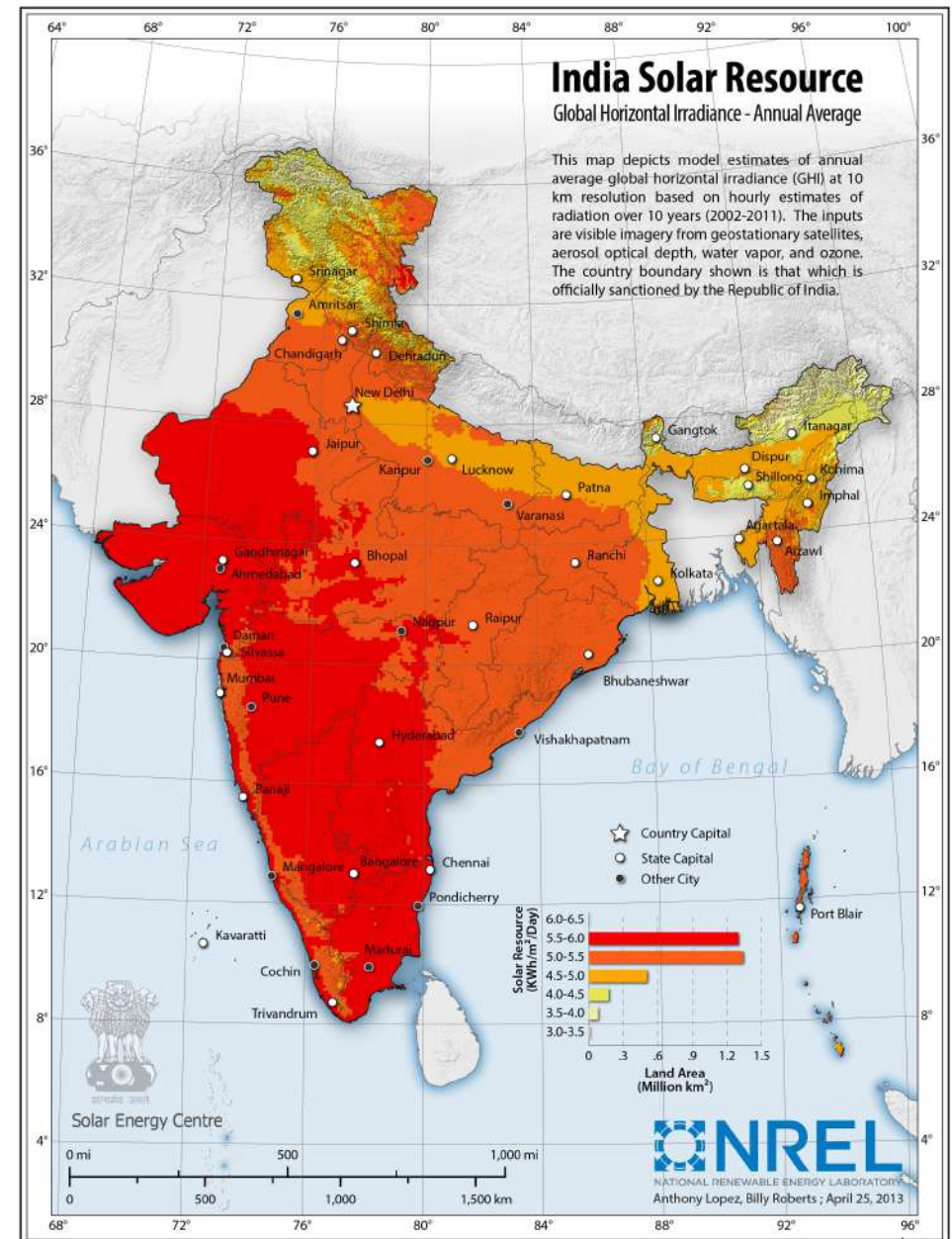
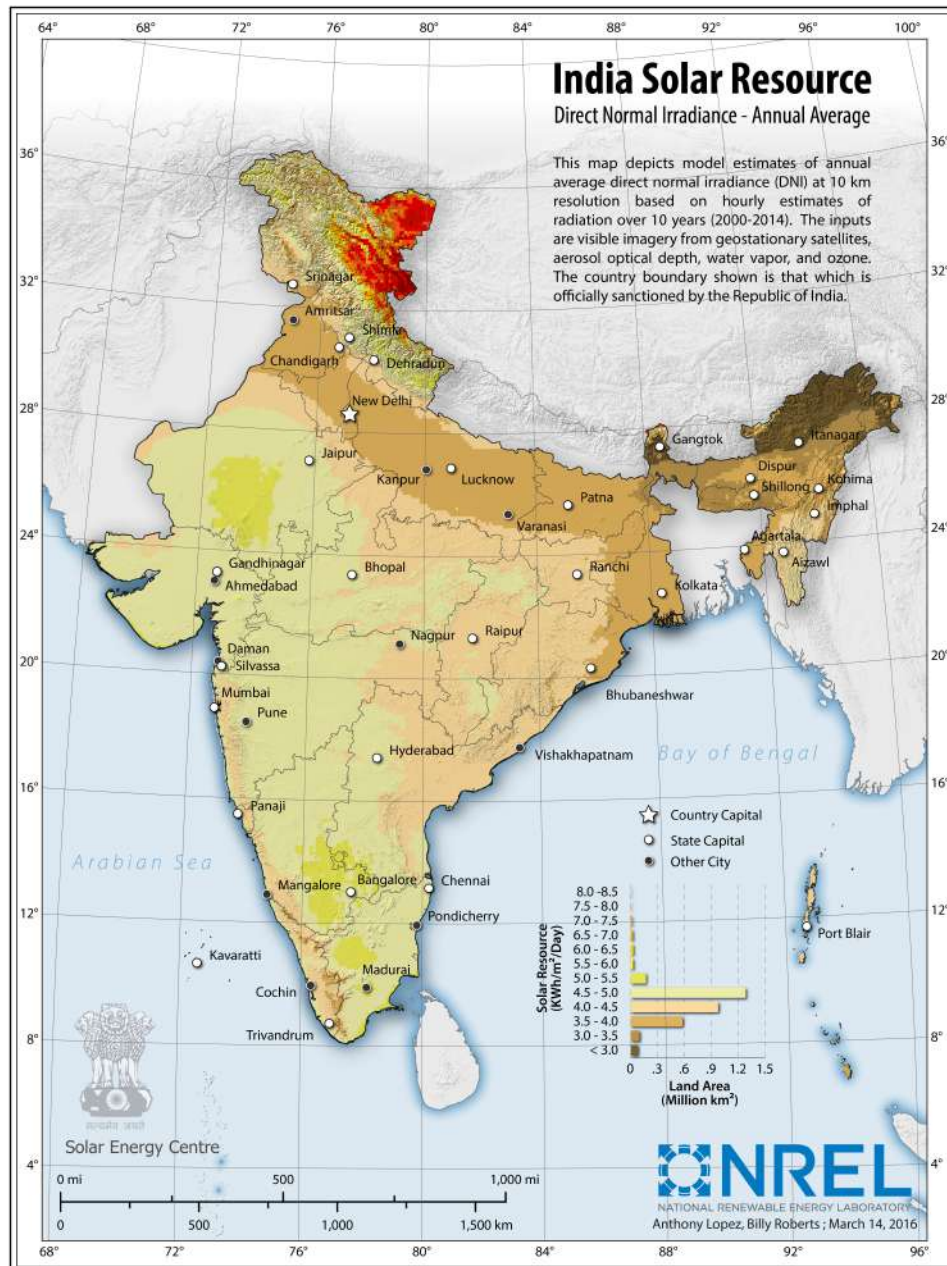
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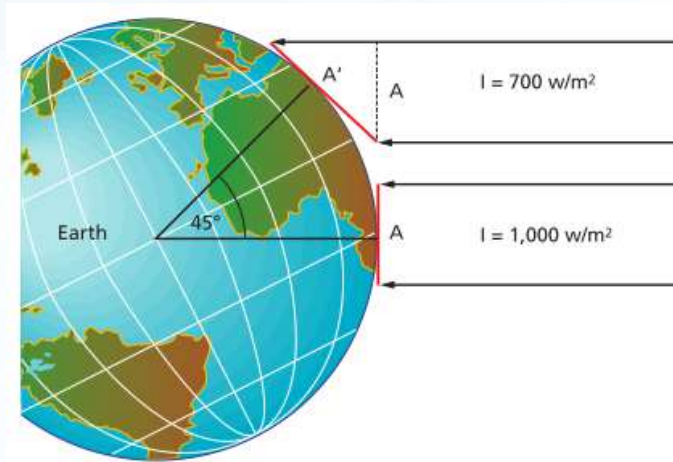
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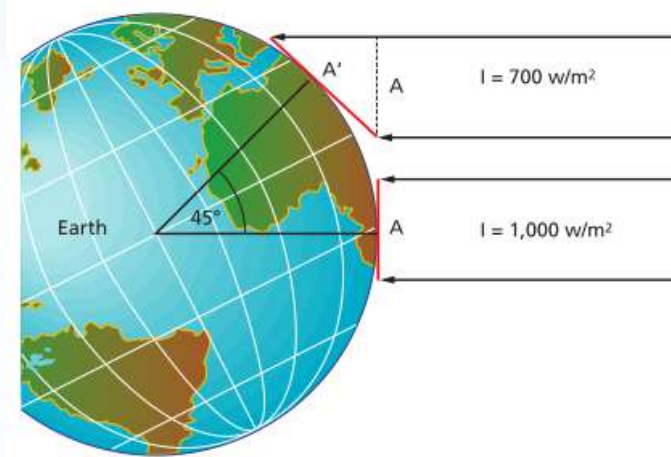
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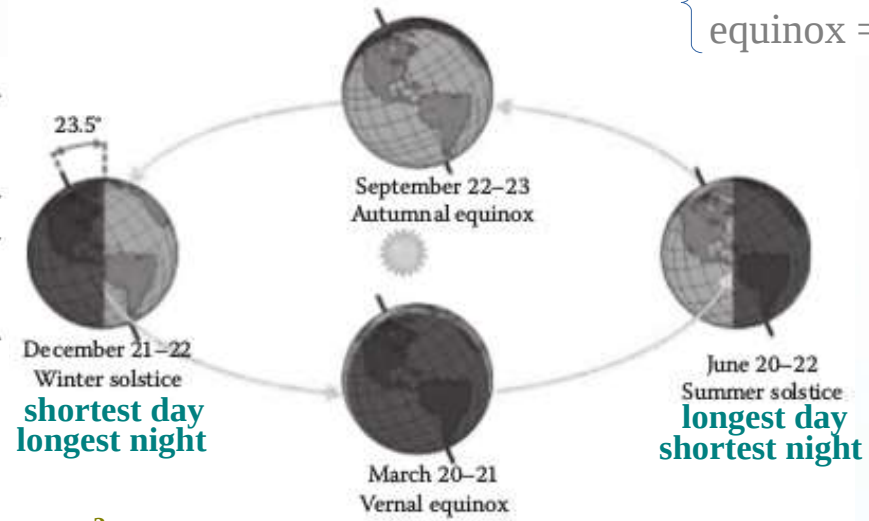
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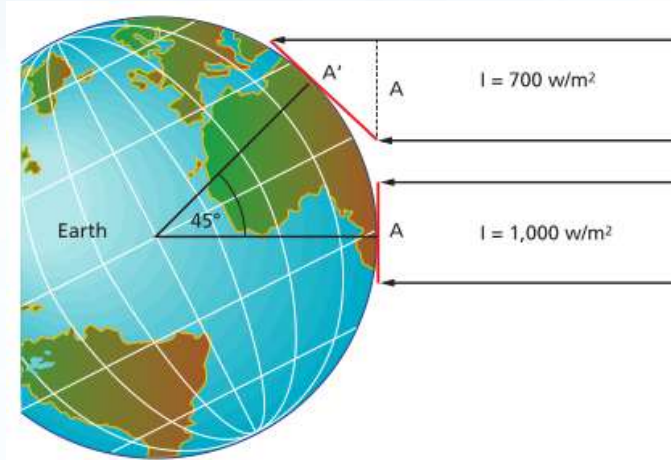


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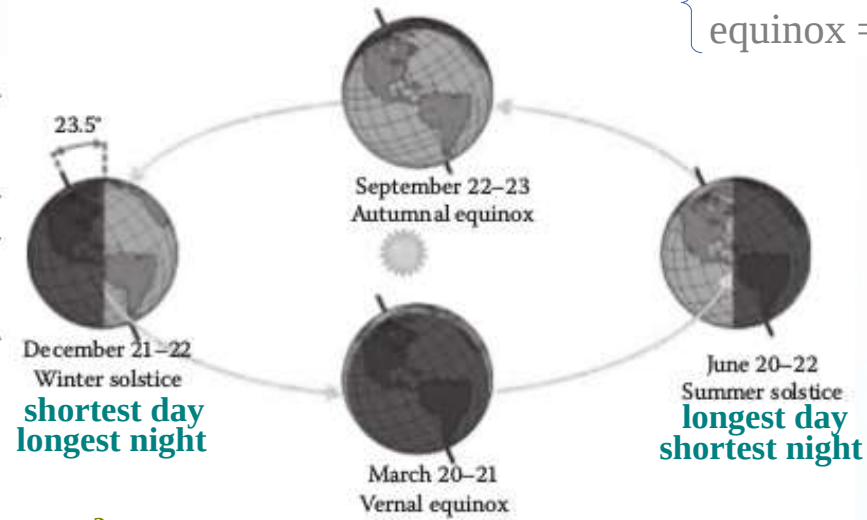


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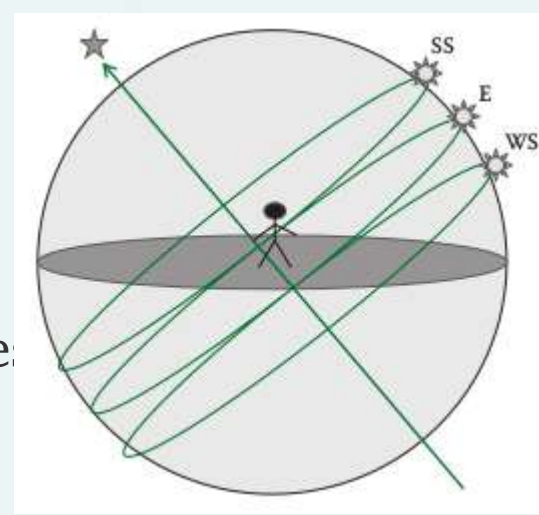
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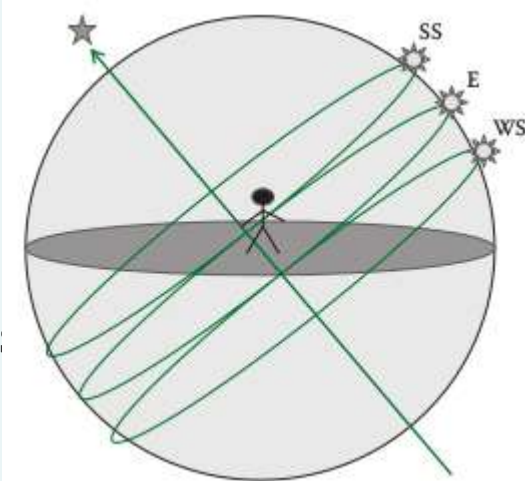
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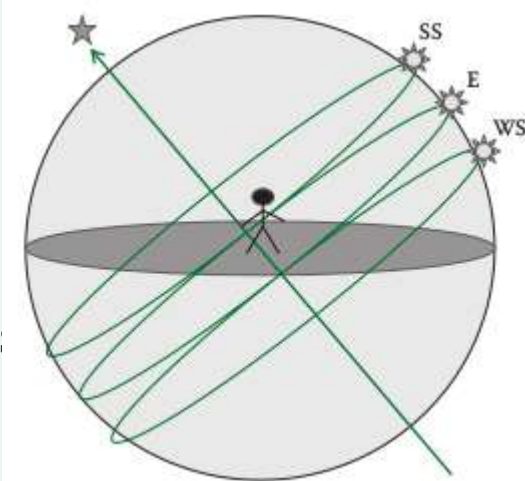
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- **Example : Find the Solar declination on October 4 at Asutosh College.**

➡ October 4 is the 277th day of the year; thus from above equation with $n = 277$ yields, $\delta = -18^\circ$. The negative declination means that the date is past the autumnal equinox.



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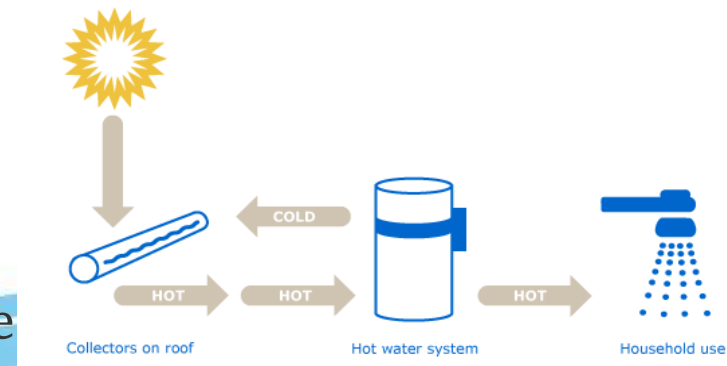
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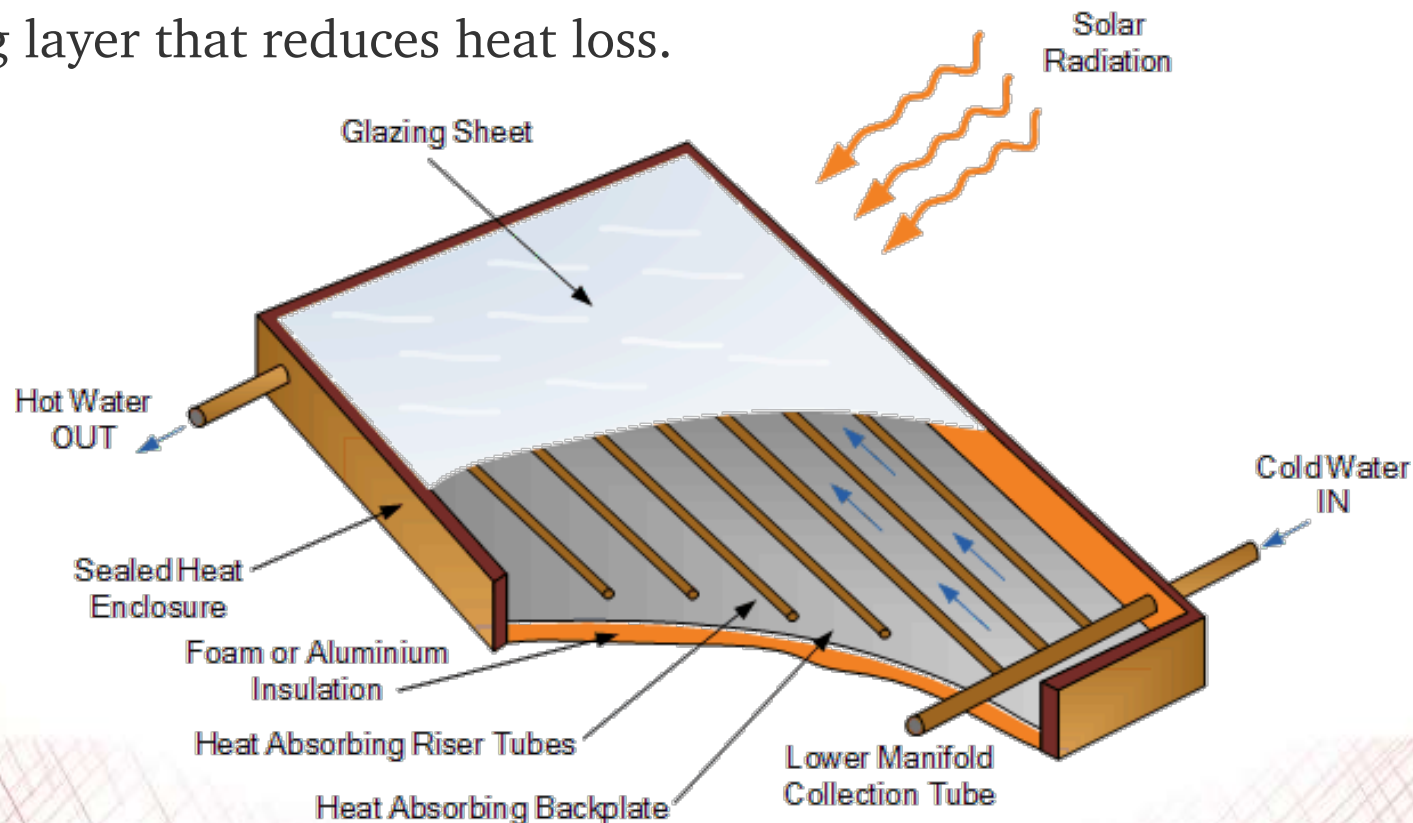
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- Solar Collector** \Rightarrow conversion of sunlight into heat for water heating using a solar thermal collector. 85% of Israel households use solar hot water heater (**SHW**) since '80s, that constitute 3% of Israel national energy consumption.



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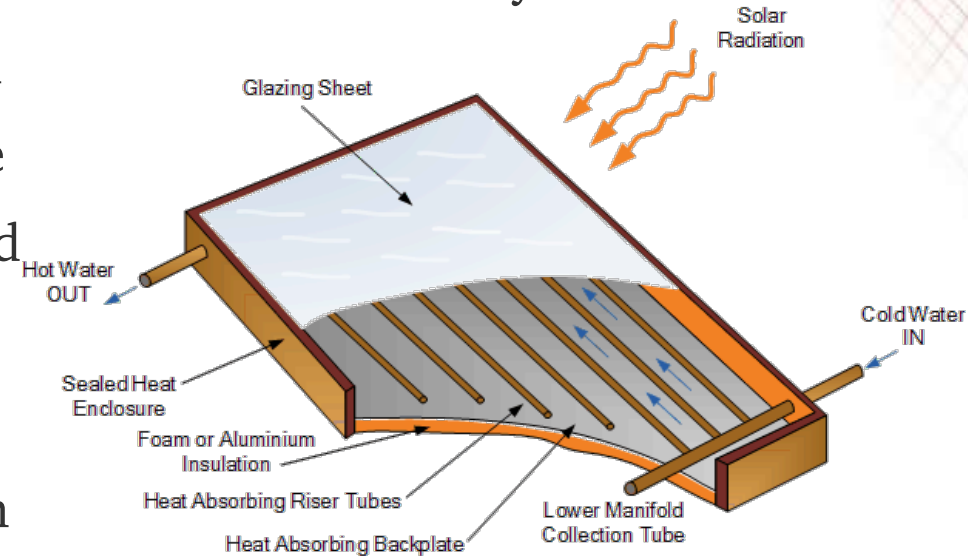
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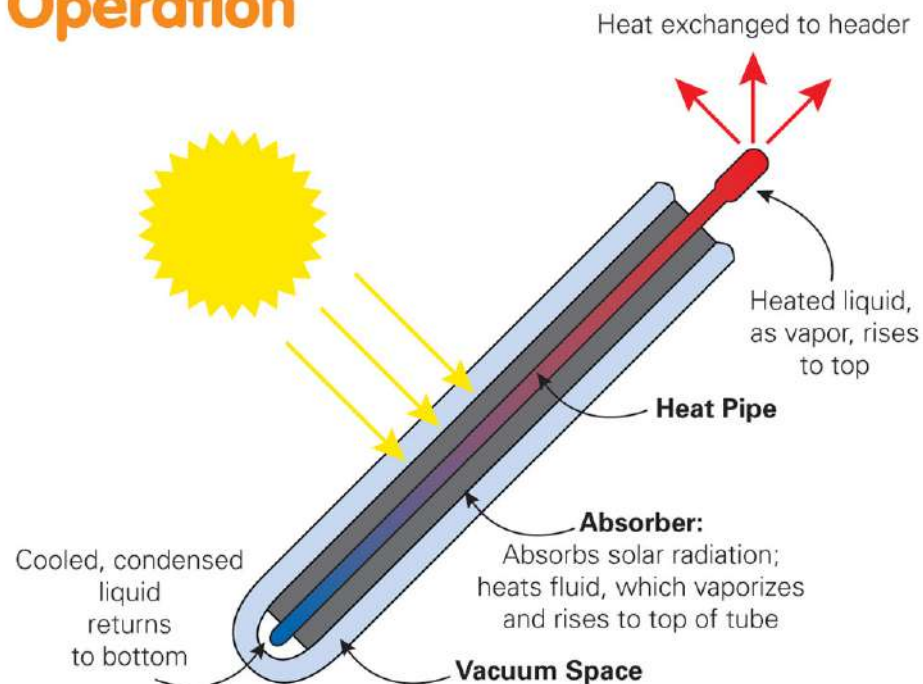


- Antifreeze* flows in a closed loop & does not mix with the household water supply. Once the antifreeze has been heated, it flows through heat exchanger that permits the flow of heat out of antifreeze & into home's water supply. At the heat exchanger, temperature of the home-water increases and antifreeze decreases. Antifreeze is then pumped back to the collector to be reheated.

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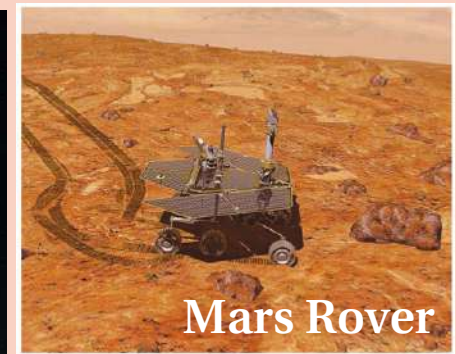
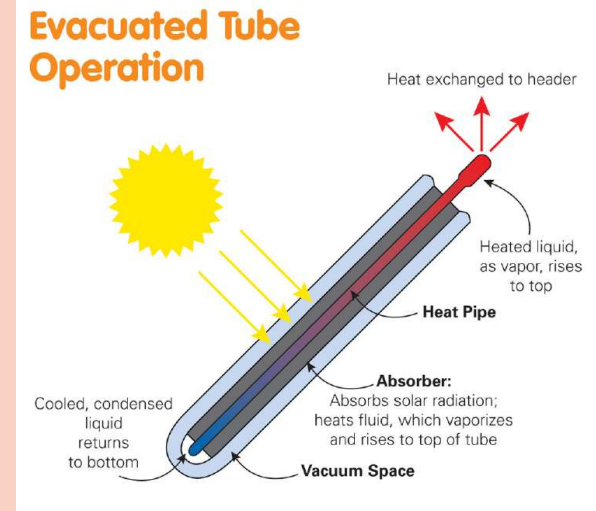


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- **Photovoltaics (PV)** ➡ conversion of light into electricity using semiconducting materials that exhibit PV effect. PV is the 3rd renewable energy in terms of global capacity. In 2016, worldwide PV capacity ~ 300 Gigawatts, covering 2% of global electricity demand.



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আধুনিক: চায়ের দোকানে সৌর প্যানেল। শনিবার, ময়দানে। ছবি: সুমন বল্লভ

এই অস্ত্র কারখানাটি দুশো বছরের পুরনো। ১৮০১ সালে ফরাসিদের কাছ থেকে কাশীপুর গ্রাম কিনে শুরু হয় কারখানা গড়ার কাজ। ১৮৩০ সালে ফোর্ট উইলিয়াম থেকে অস্ত্র কারখানা পুরোপুরি সরে আসে কাশীপুরে। নানা চড়াই-উতরাই বেয়ে ১৯০৫ সালে নাম হয় ‘গান অ্যান্ড শেল ফ্যাক্টরি’।

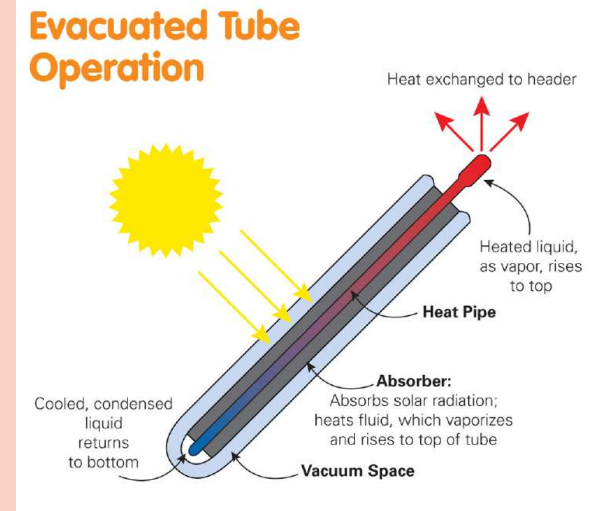
মেশিন চালাতে অপ্রচলিত শক্তির ব্যবহার শুরু করল কাশীপুর গান অ্যান্ড শেল ফ্যাক্টরি। শনিবার কারখানার পাঁচটি বাড়ির ছাদে সৌর প্যানেলের উদ্বোধন করেন কারখানার সিনিয়র জেনারেল ম্যানেজার রাজীব চক্রবর্তী। তিনি জানান, ১১৩০টি সৌর প্যানেল থেকে বছরে ৫ লক্ষ ৭৪ হাজার ইউনিট বিদ্যুৎ মিলবে। এতে বছরে প্রায় ৪৭ লক্ষ টাকা বাঁচবে।

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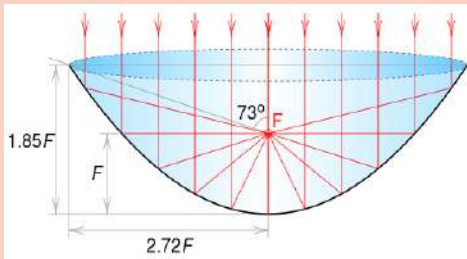
- Evacuated collectors eliminates both conductive & convective heat losses above the heated collector plate. Evacuated collectors have a cylindrical geometry, which has greater structural strength.

However, evacuated collectors of the flat plate variety can be problematic because their structural ability to withstand a vacuum is poor. Thus, evacuated flat-plate collectors tend to leak air over time.



Solar Cookers

Solar cookers can avoid deforestation as well hazardous ways to gather firewood. Basic box-type cooker has insulated sides, transparent cover on top & can reach to baking temperature **65°C**. Complex concentrating versions using mirrors to reflect to attain grilling/searing temperatures **400°C**.





Tibet

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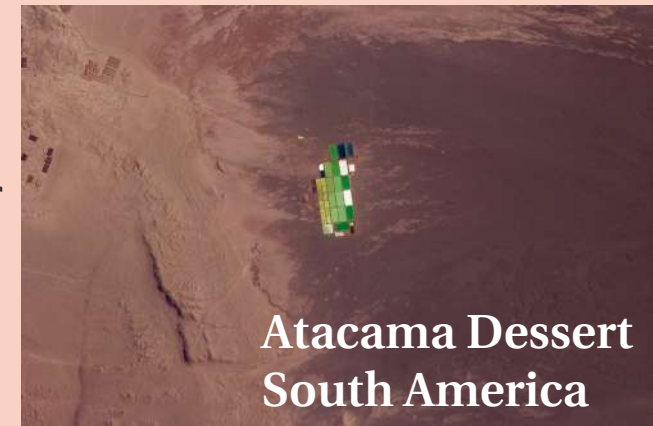
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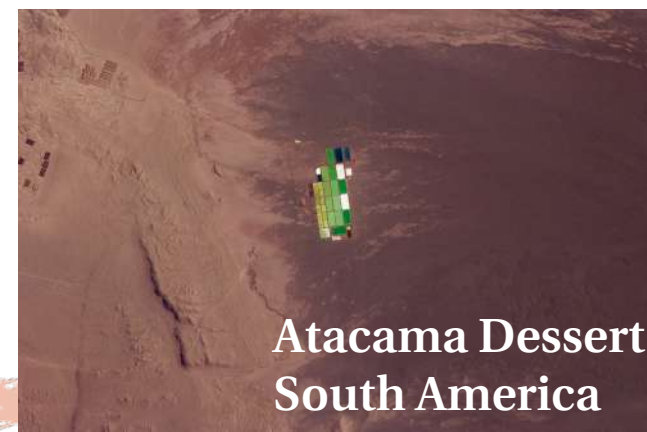
- Solar pond is a large scale solar thermal collector with an integrated arrangement for storage of heated saltwater. Saltwater naturally forms a vertical salinity gradient in which low-salinity water floats on top of high-salinity water. Below a certain depth, the solution has a uniformly high-salt concentration.



Atacama Dessert
South America

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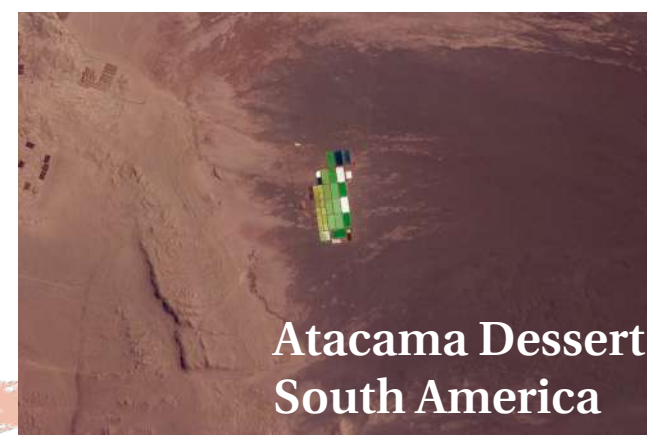
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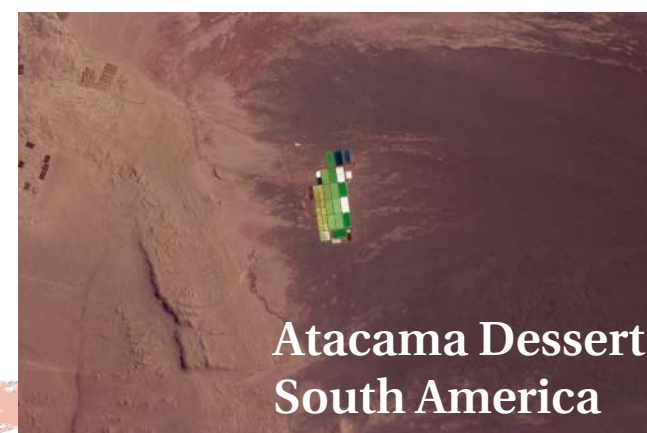
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- **Advantages/Disadvantages** ➡ (i) Attractive for rural areas in developing countries as large-area collectors can be setup for low-cost of clay/plasticpond. (ii) Accumulated salt-crystals are removed & are valuable by-product.



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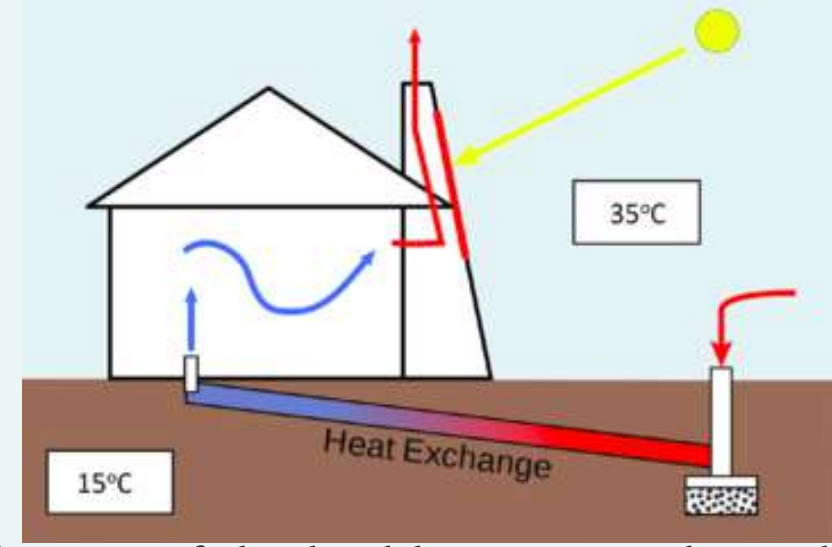


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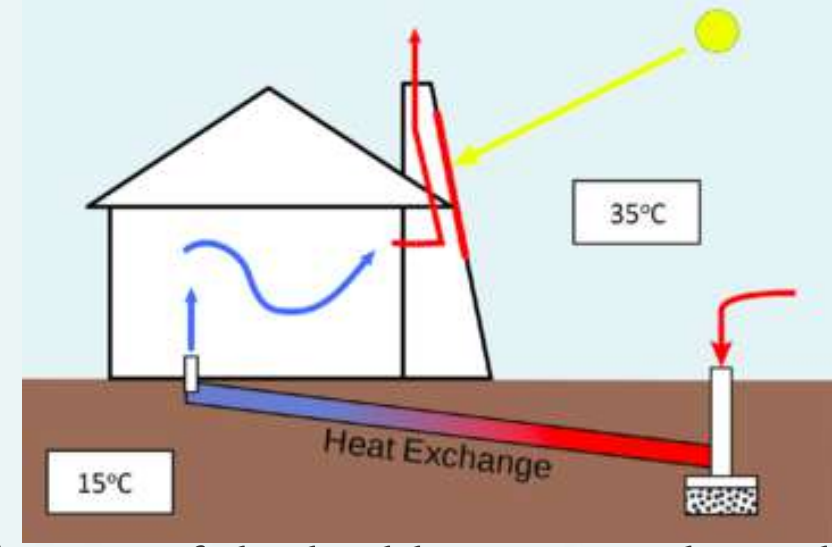
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Geothermal Energy



Rincón de la Vieja
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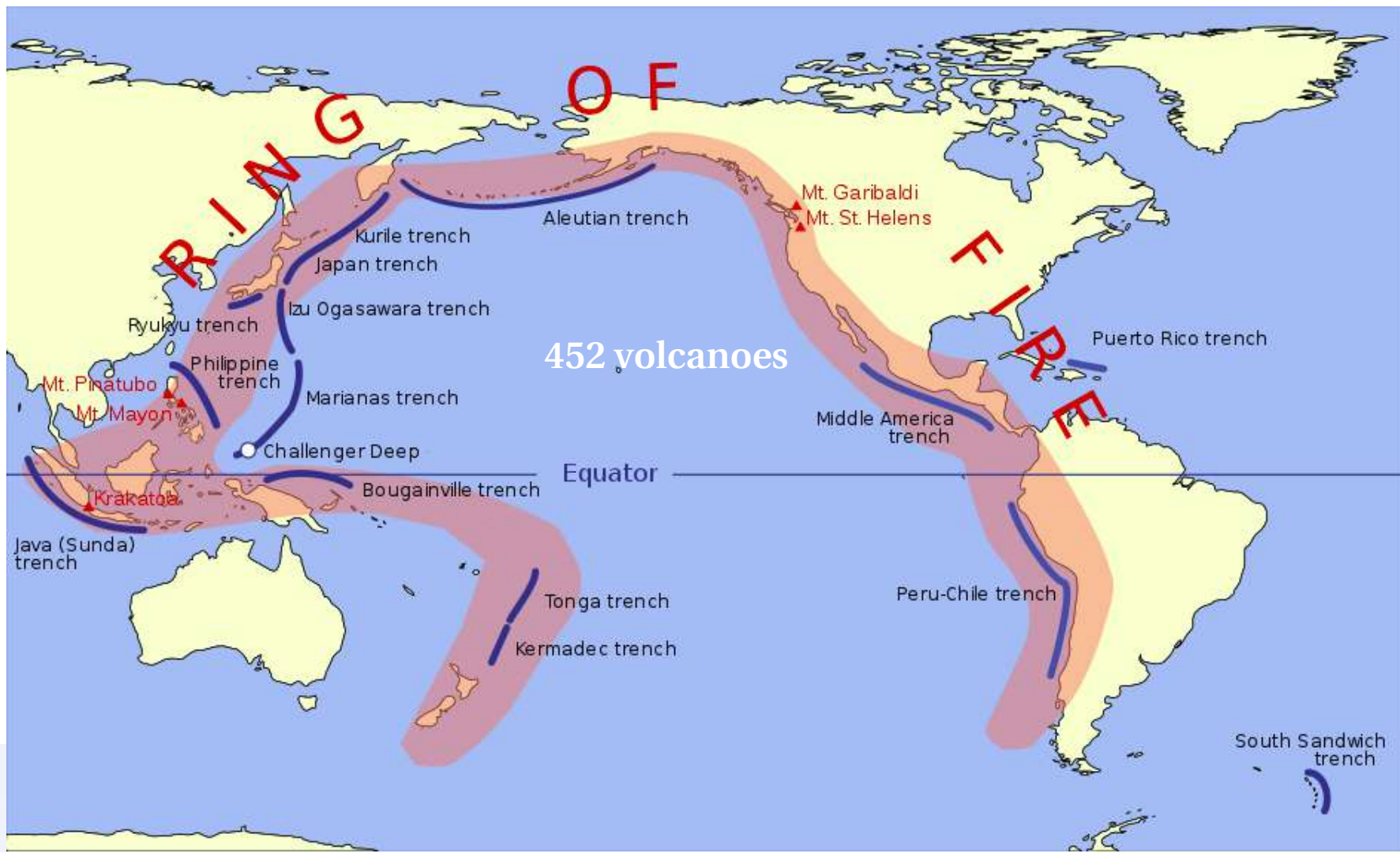
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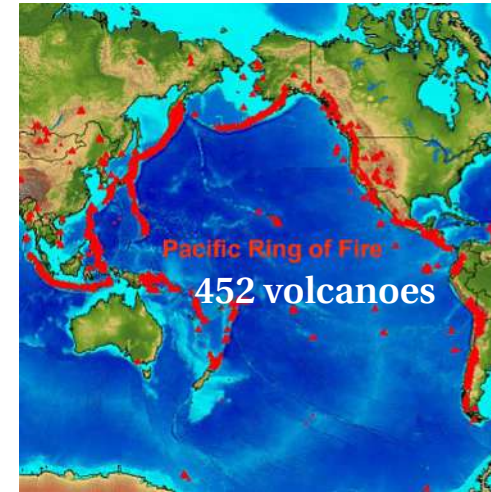
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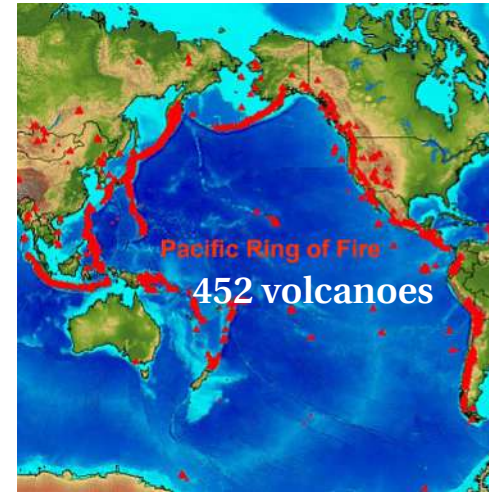
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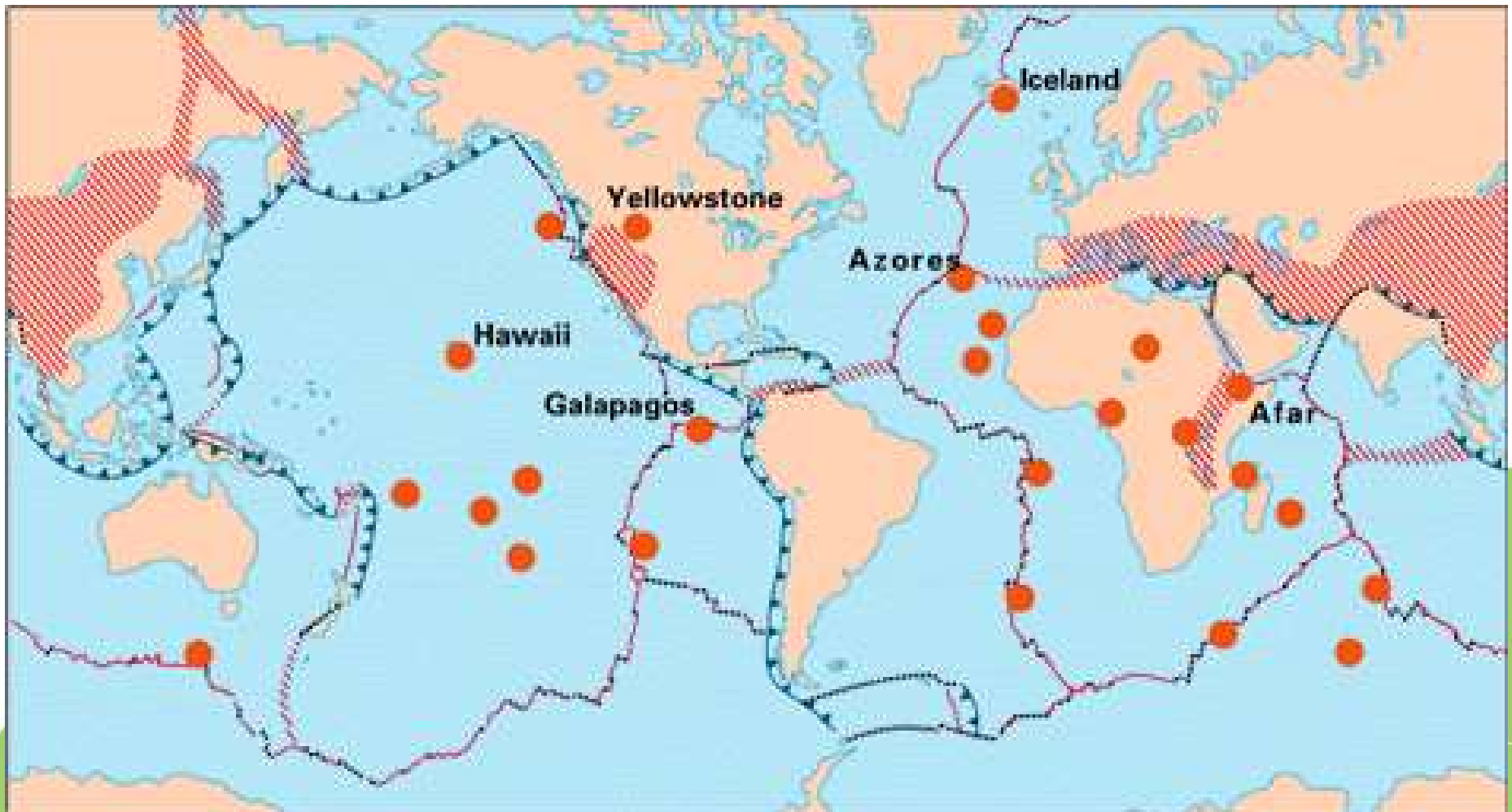
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- In **mid-Atlantic Ridge** (e.g. Iceland), two adjacent plates move away & during separation, magma wells upward to fill the resulting rift in the surface. Geothermal energy are available along the boundaries, where plates are diverging.

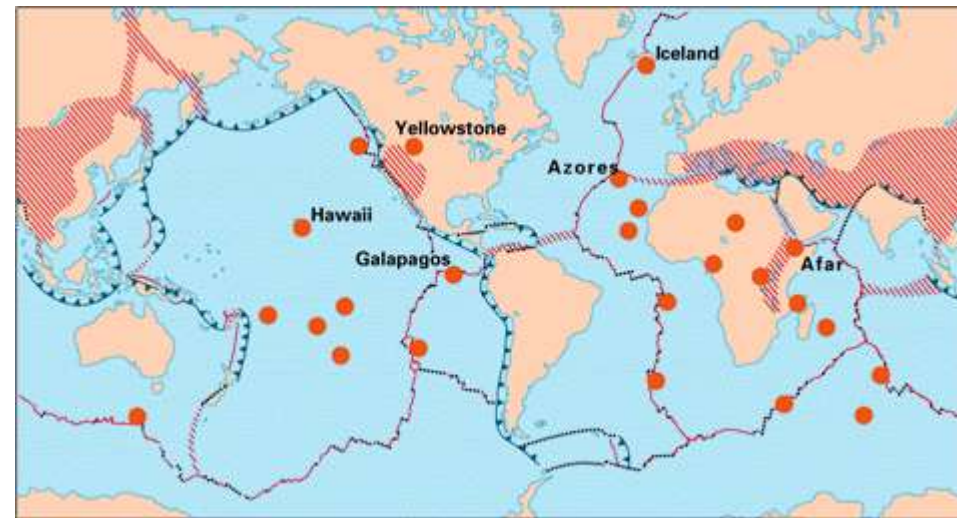
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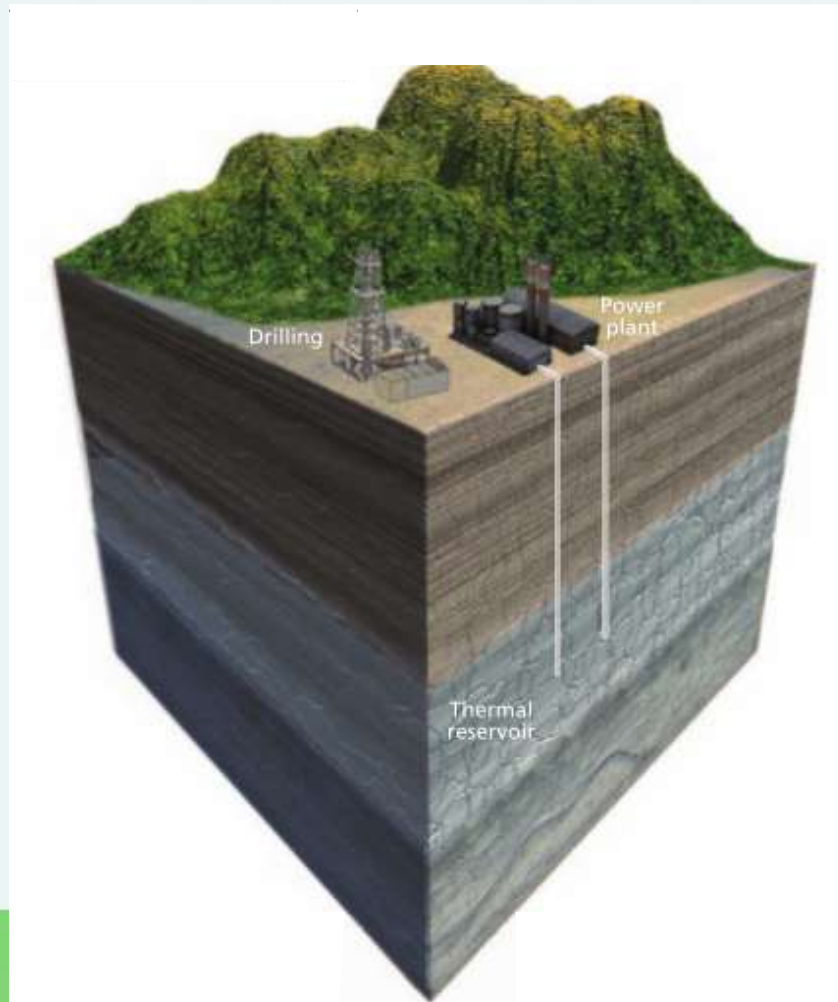


Mining Thermal Energy : Hydrothermal Convection

- Geothermal power stations are heat engines that are designed to use thermal energy within the Earth to turn a shaft connected to a generator to produce electricity. They don't generate their own heat, while Coal-fired power plant emissions have polluted lakes with **mercury**, formed **acid rains**, and **greenhouse** effect. After a deposit of thermal energy has been located at a depth that is accessible and affordable, **water** brings the thermal energy up to where it can be converted into electrical energy.

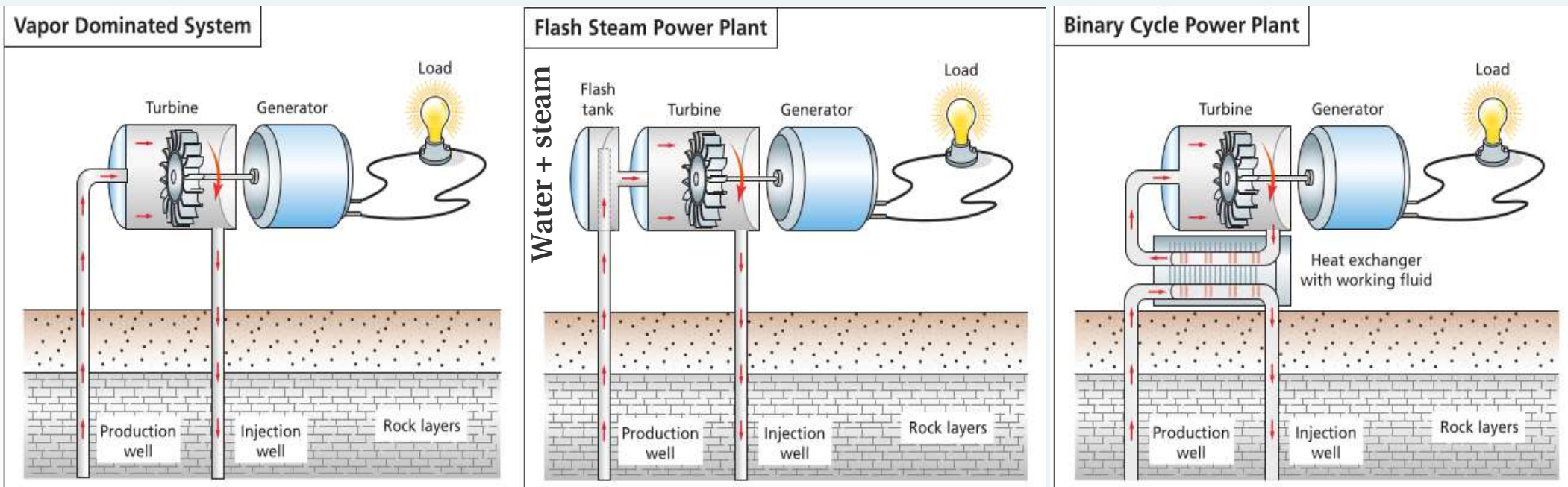
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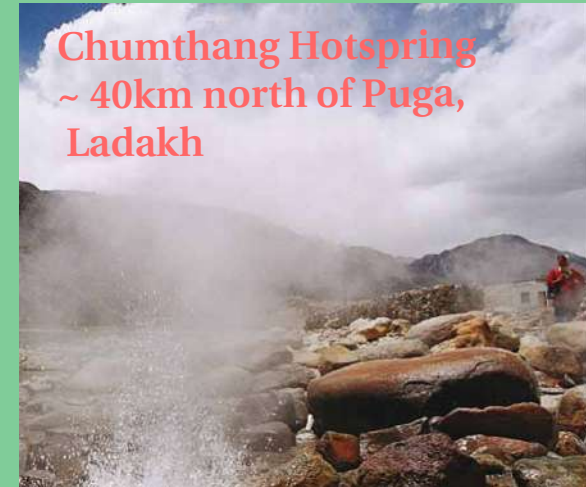
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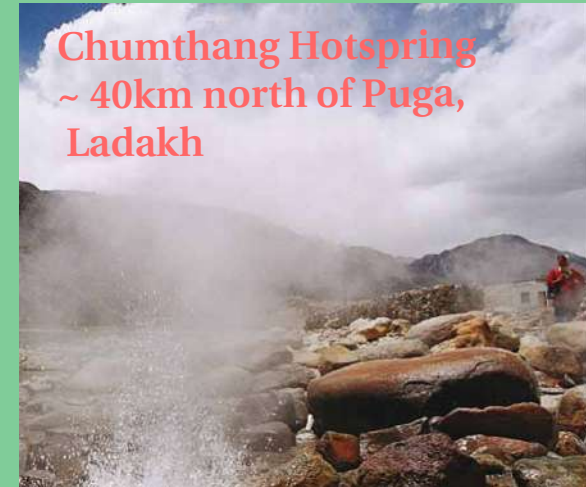
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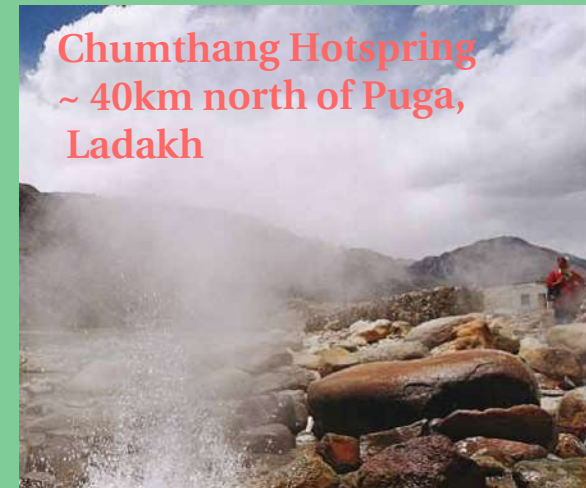
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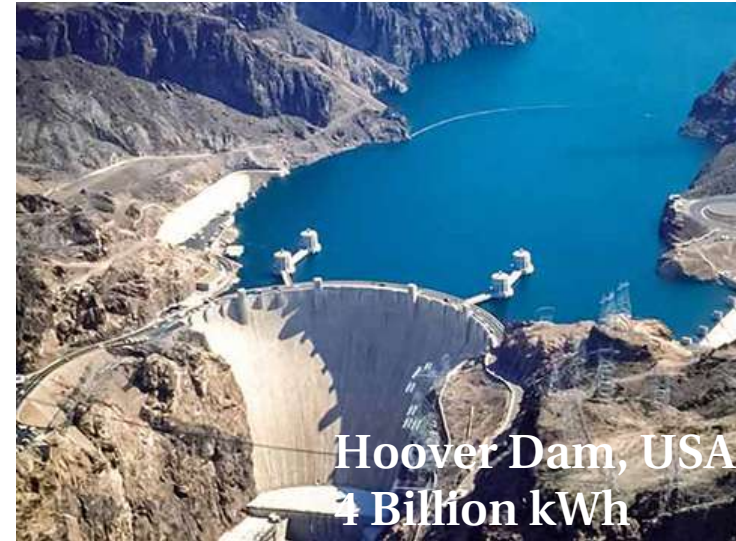
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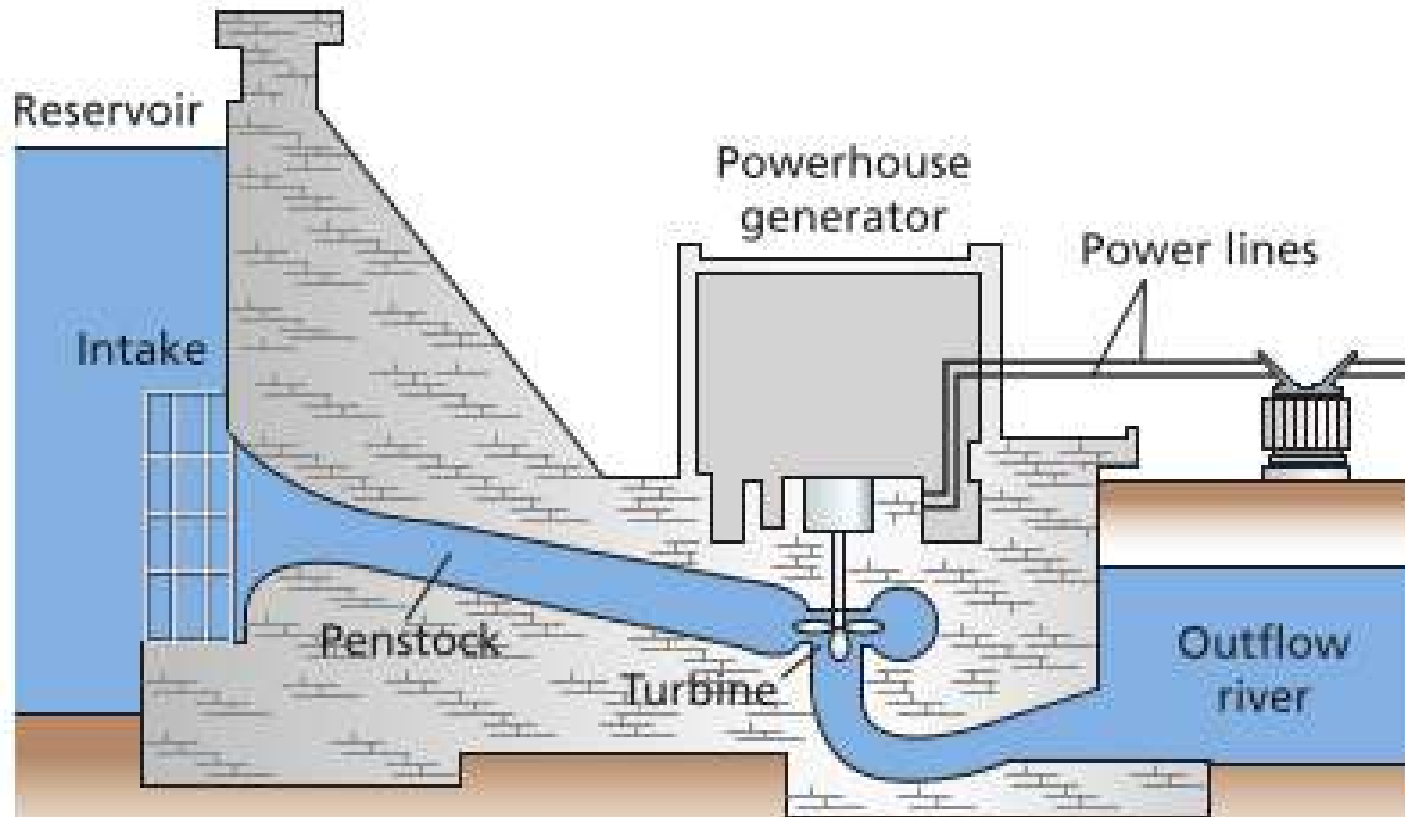
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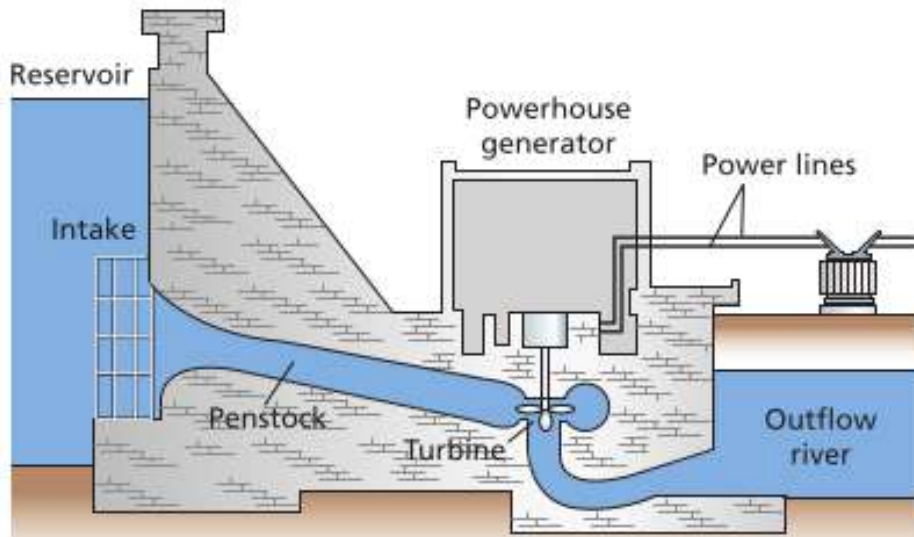
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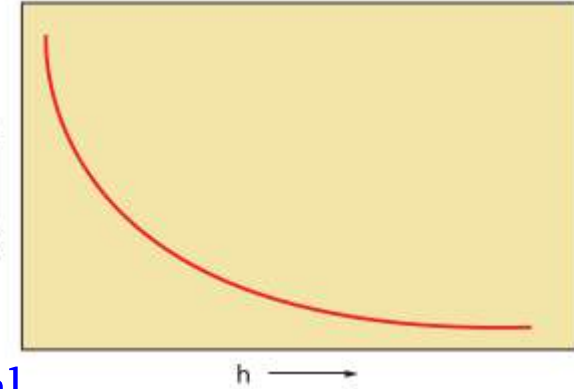
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 - (i) Impulse turbines, (ii) Pelton turbines, (b) **Reaction** turbines. In Pelton turbines, pressure of head produces water stream out of a nozzle aimed to series of buckets arranged around the turbine wheel or runner. Reaction turbines are completely submerged in water & spins in reaction to changing pressure of water over its surface.



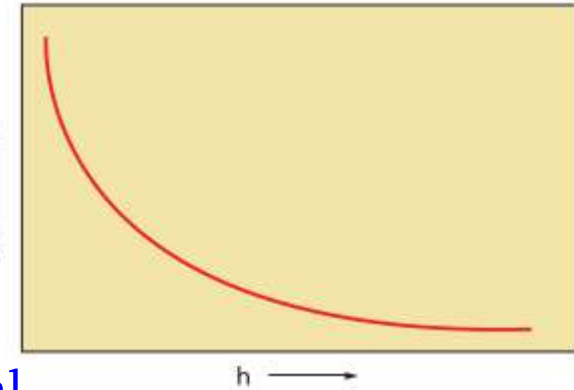
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Wave & Tidal Power



Cornwall, UK



Pelamis, UK



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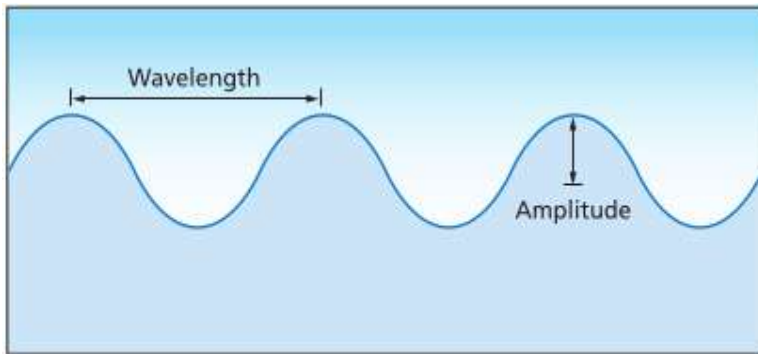
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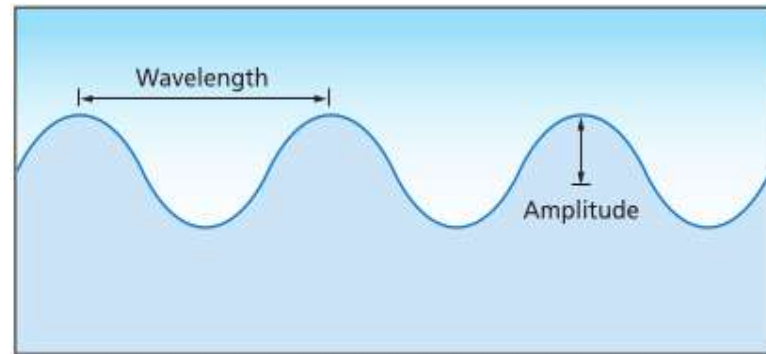
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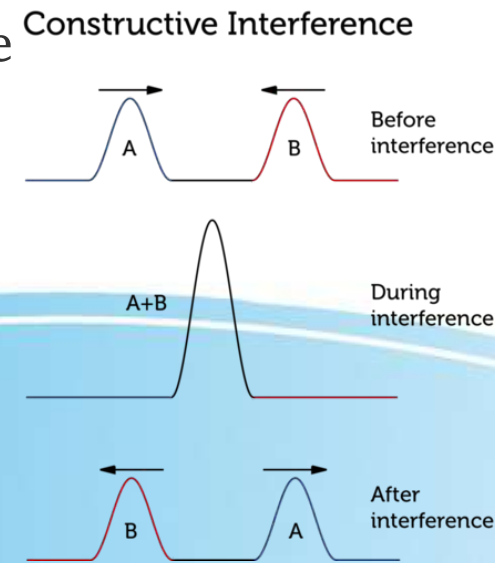
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in consecutive peak, (iii) **wave period** $T \rightarrow$ elapsed time between passing of wave crests. In deep sea, wave speed $v = \lambda / T$.

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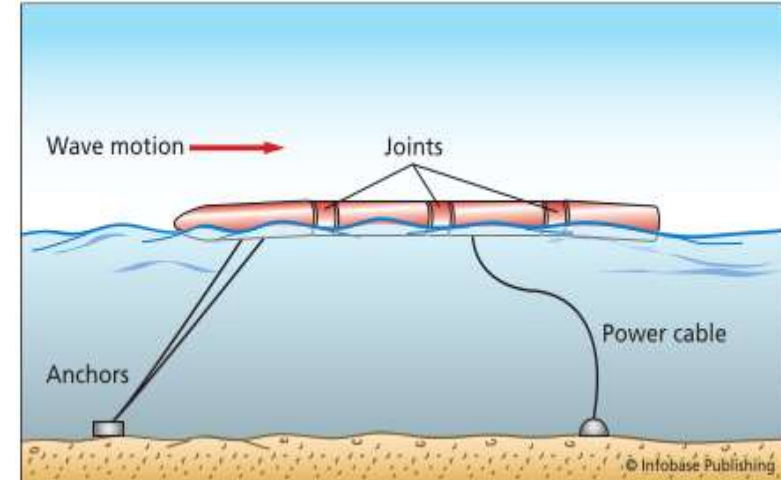


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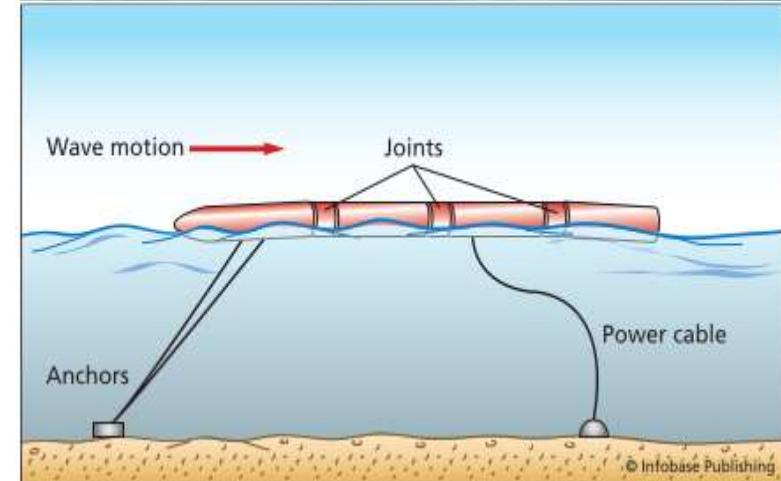
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Pelamis Wave energy converter

■ Advantages/Disadvantages ➡

- (i) Produce power with **zero** emissions,
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- (iii) **Water-waves are more predictable than wind** – so in principle, Pelamis wave farms could produce large amounts of power while occupying a small area of Earth's surface than wind farms with similar outputs.
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- (v) Each snake has a power output of **750 kW**, but unlike conventional energy resources, variable amount of power is produced by each unit beyond the control of the operator.
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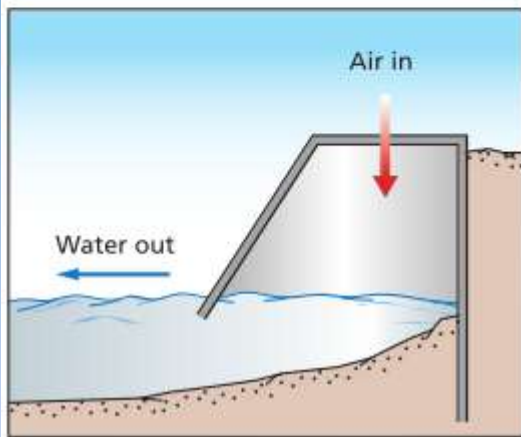
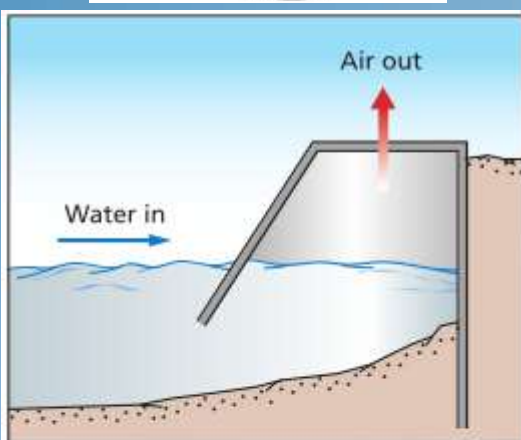
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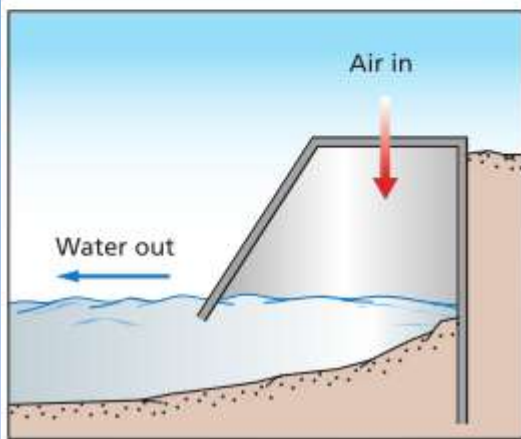
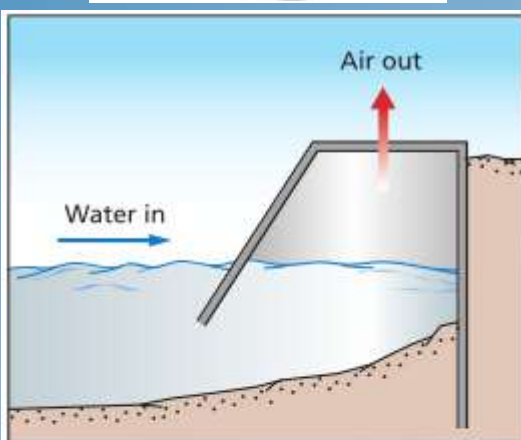
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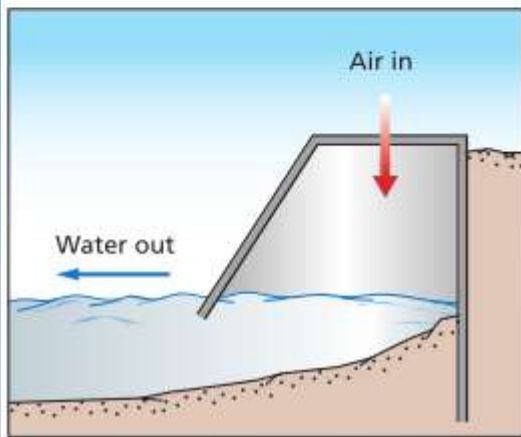
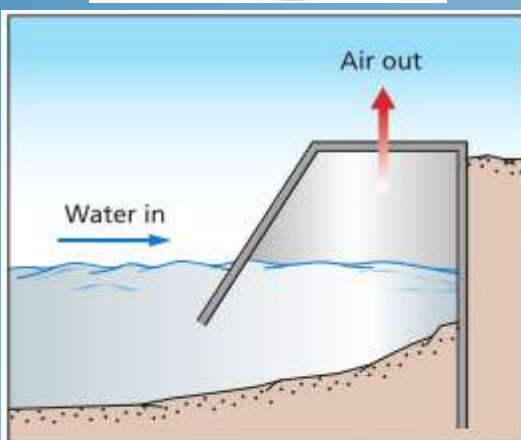
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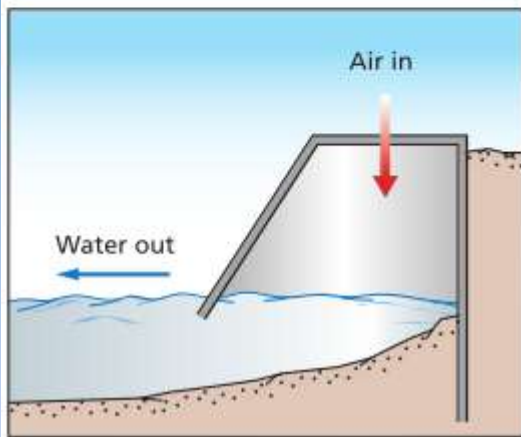
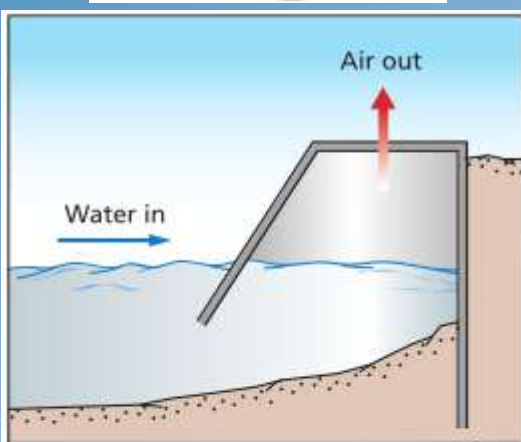


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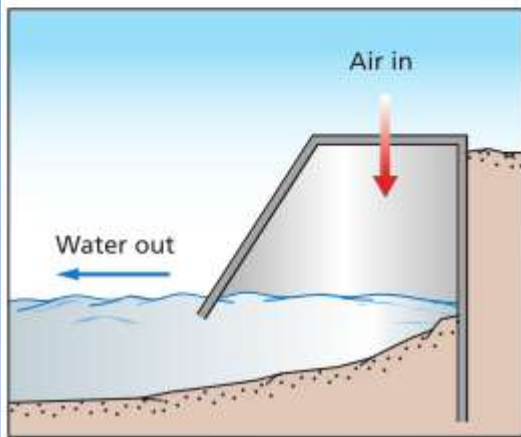
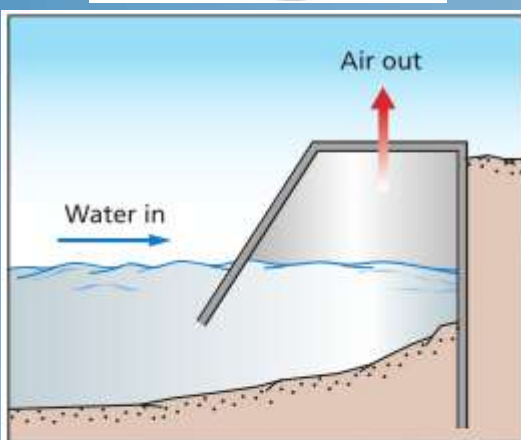
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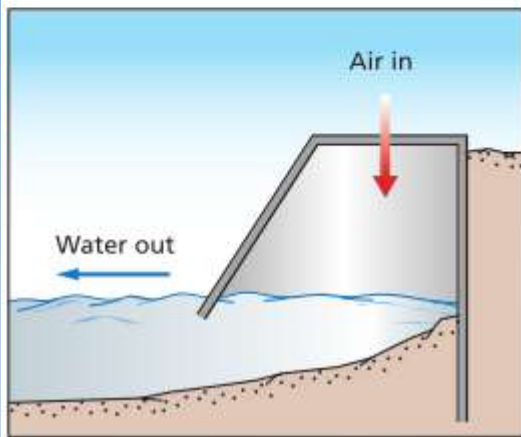
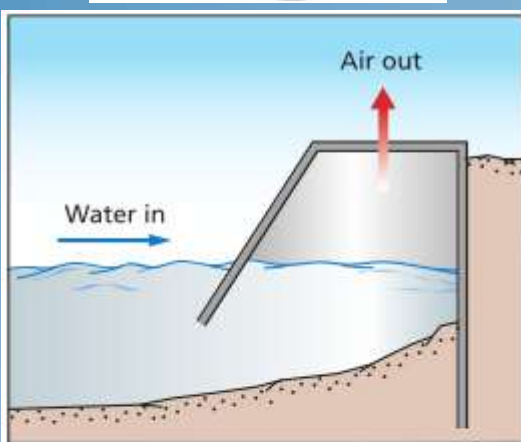


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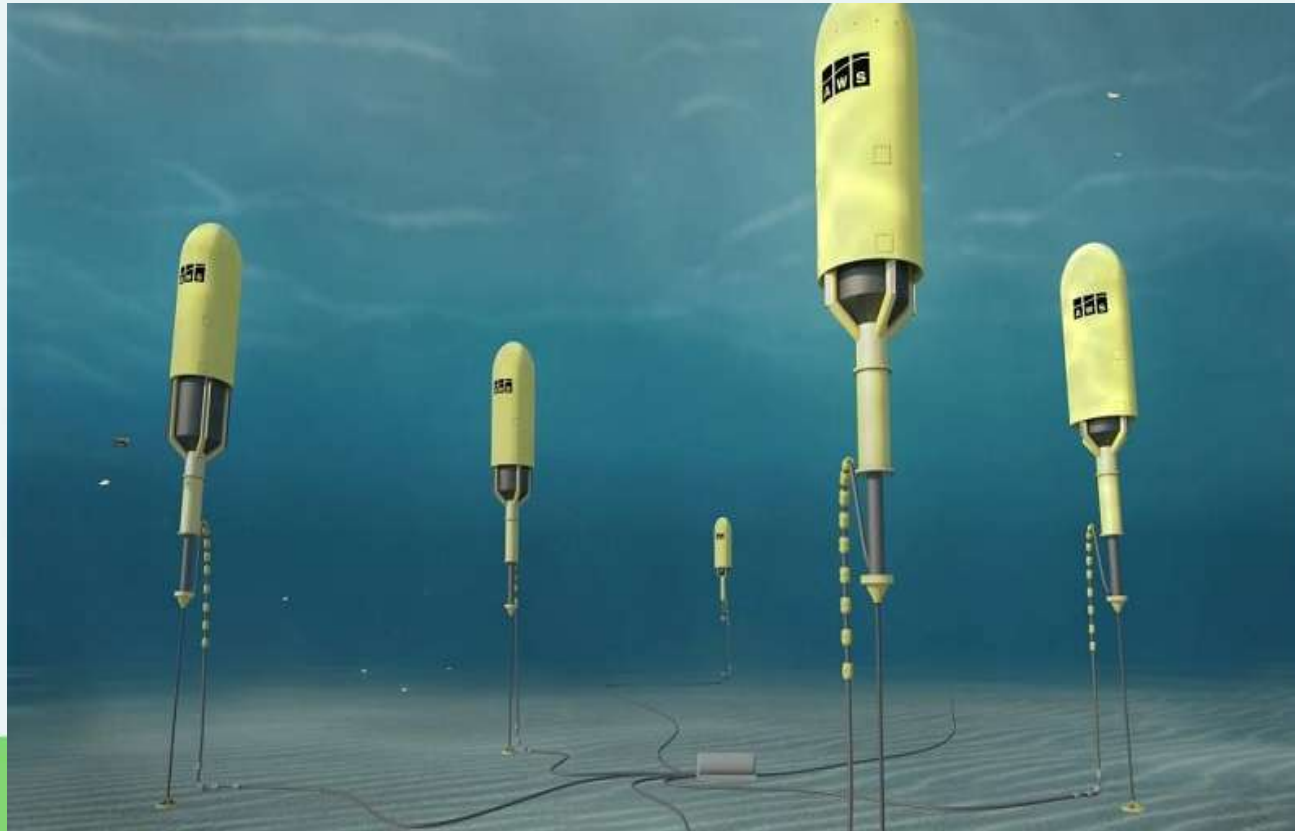
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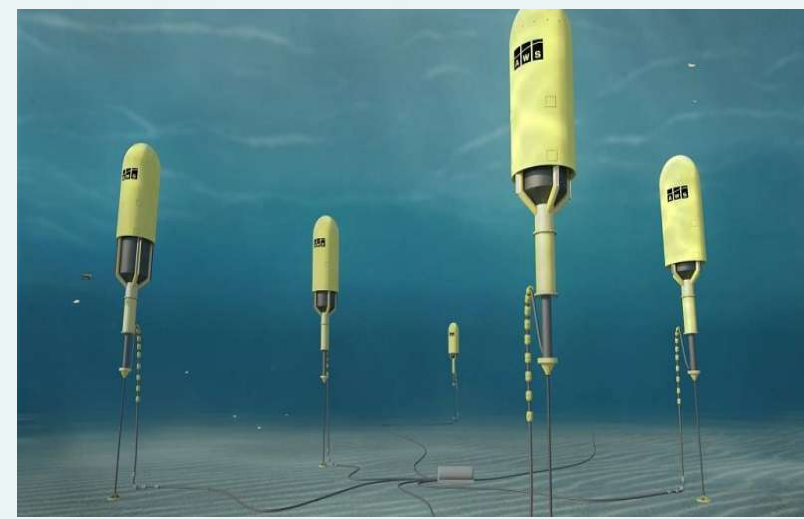
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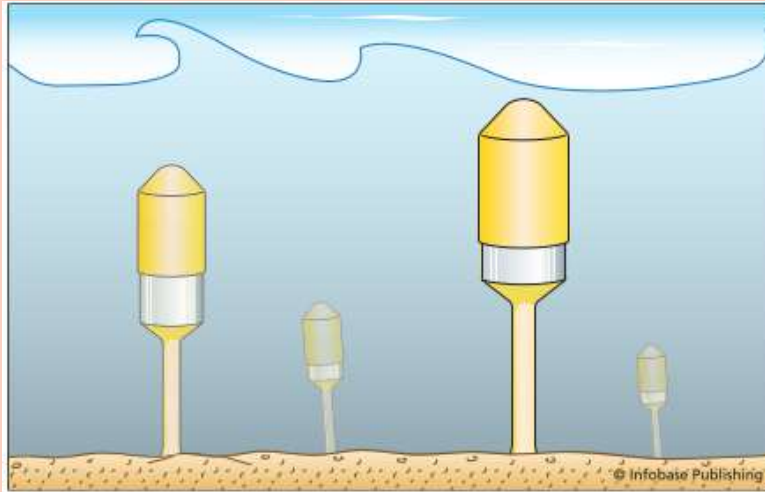
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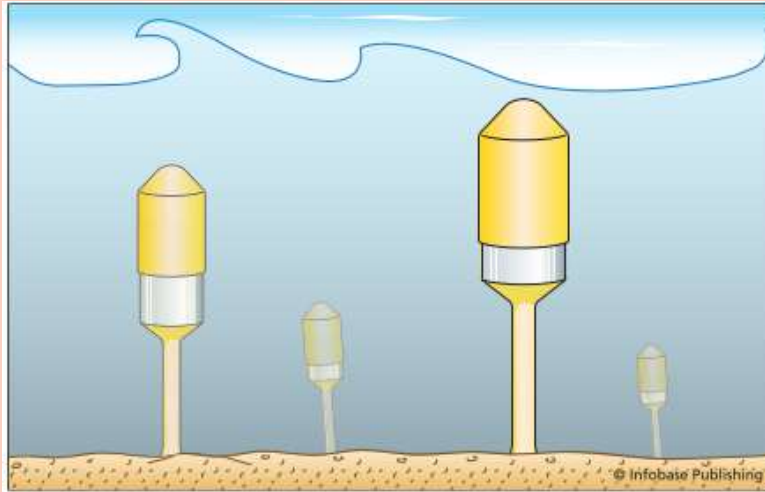
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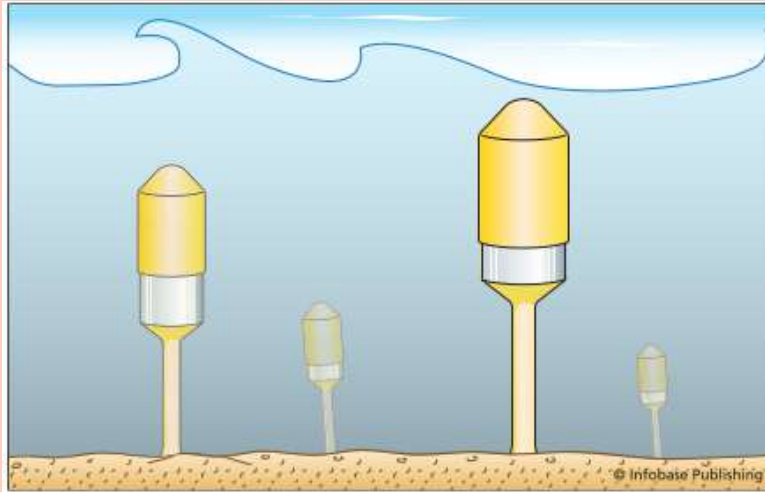


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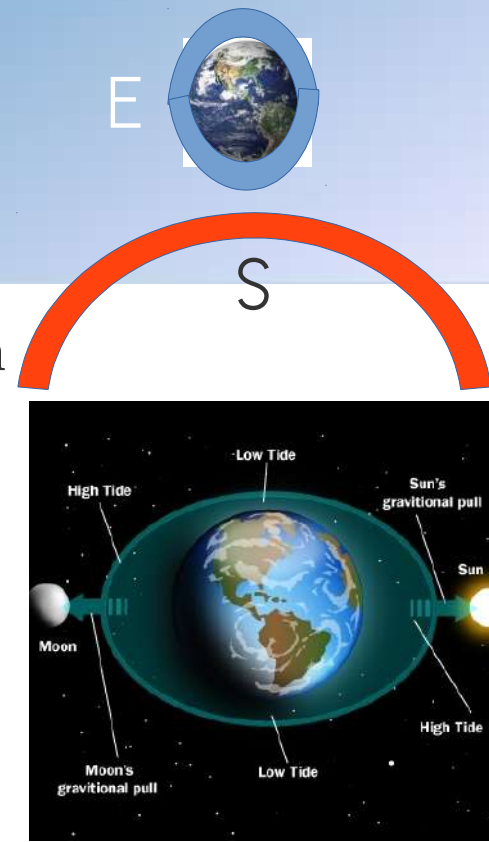


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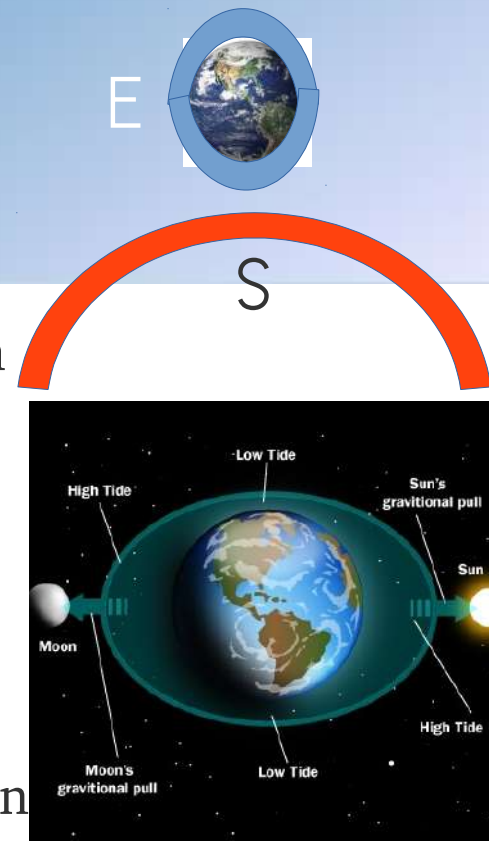
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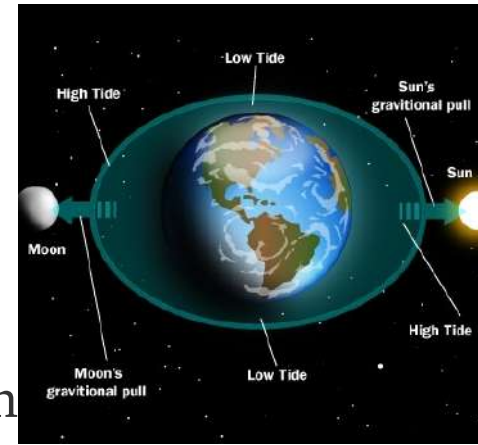
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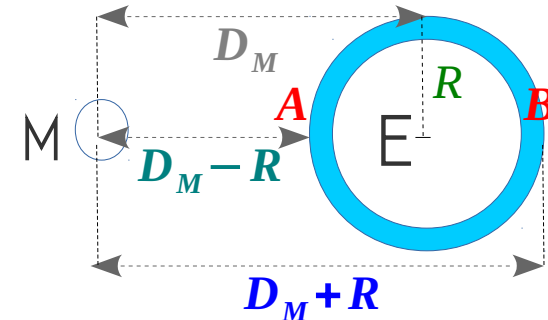
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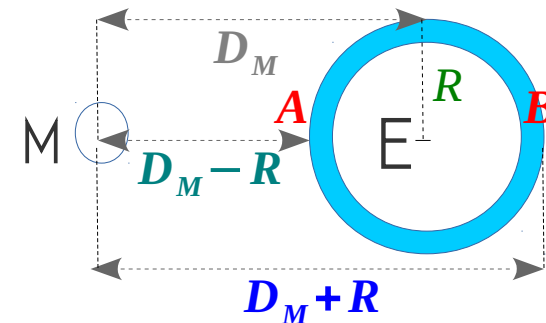
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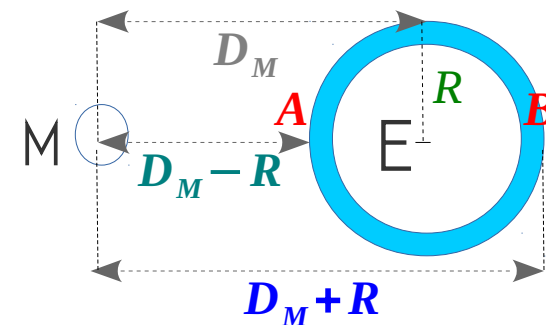
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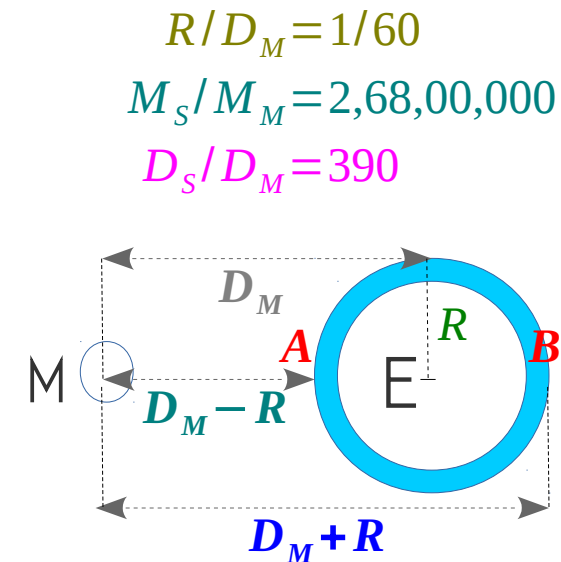
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■ So there will be **two** tidal bulges due to Moon & **two** other bulges due to Sun. In new-Moon phase (*Sun & Moon in almost same direction*), so bulge due to Moon & Sun will coincide to produce very strong tides (**spring tides**). In full-Moon phase (*Sun & Moon in opposite direction*), opposite bulge due to Moon coincide with bulge due to Sun to produce very strong tides.



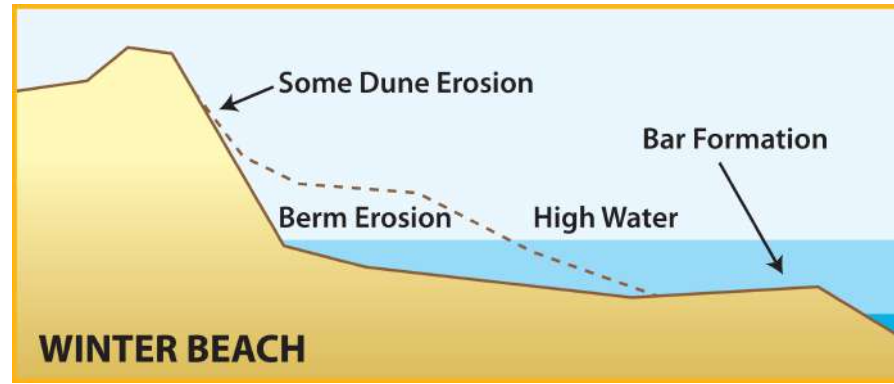
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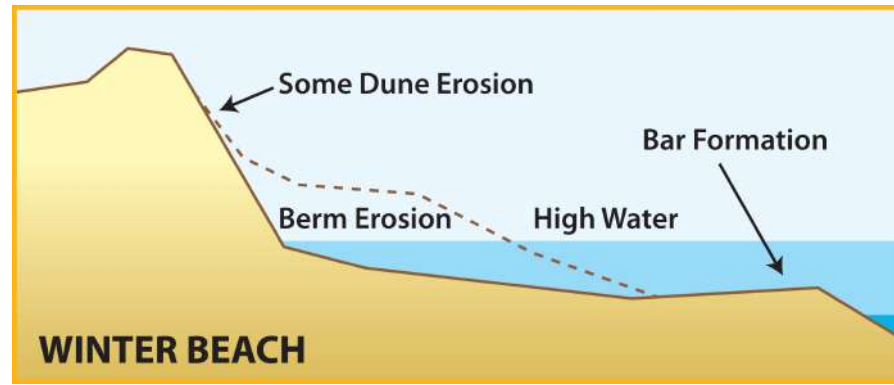
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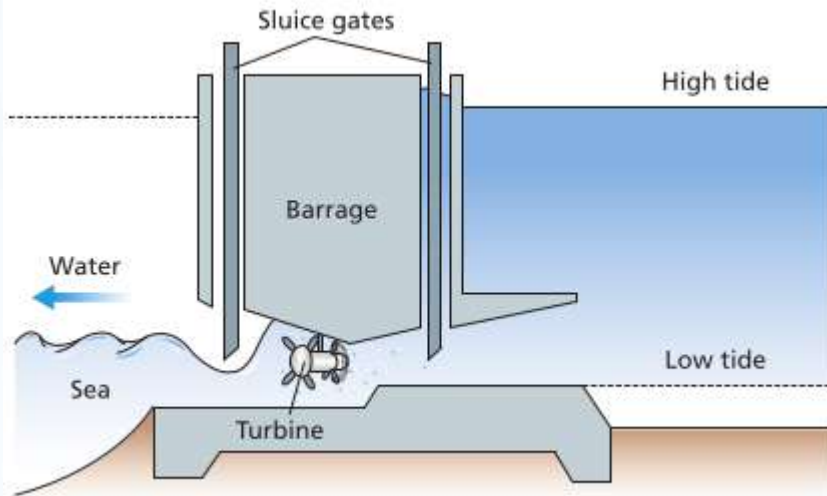
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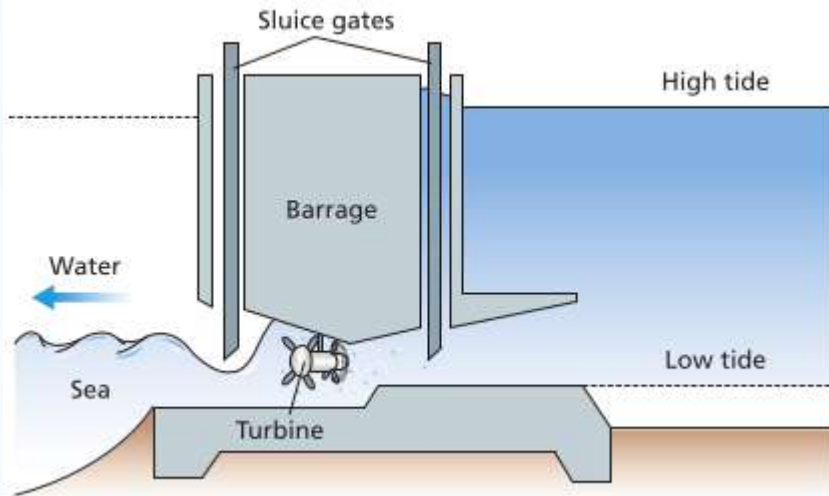


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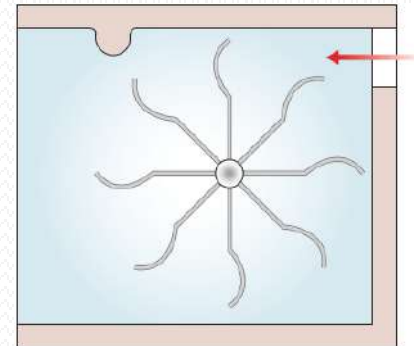


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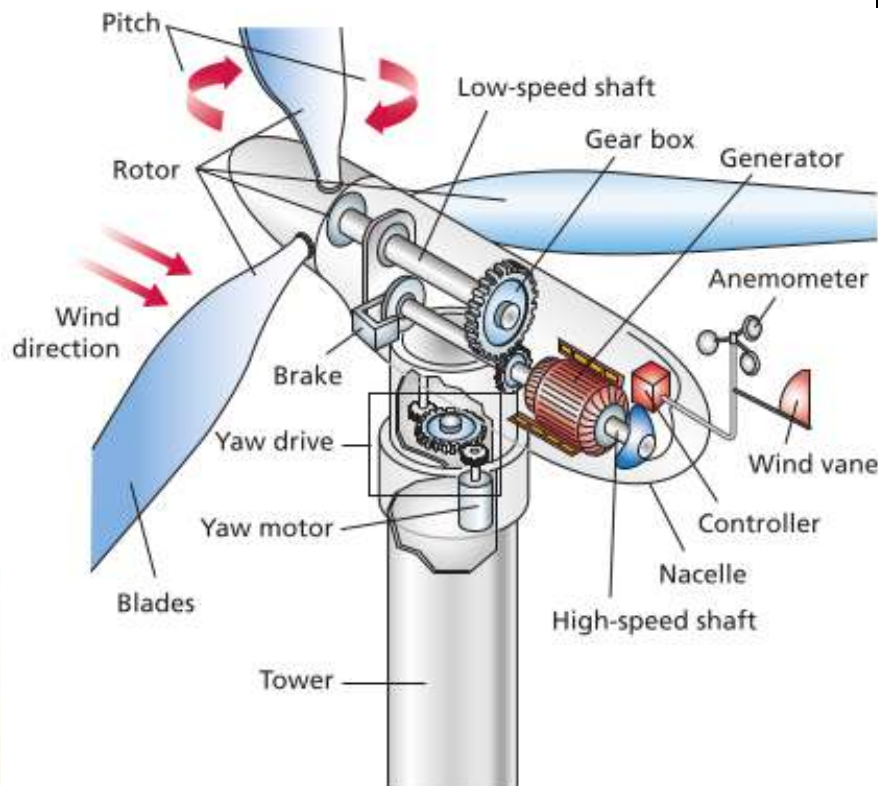


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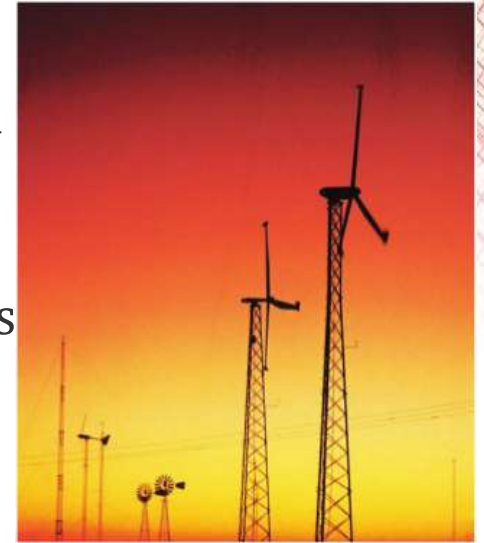
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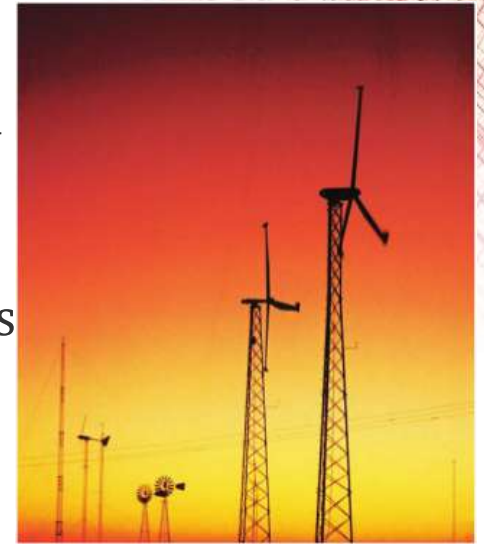


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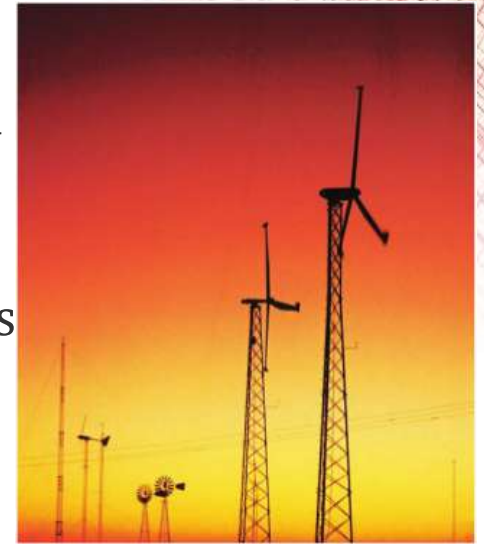
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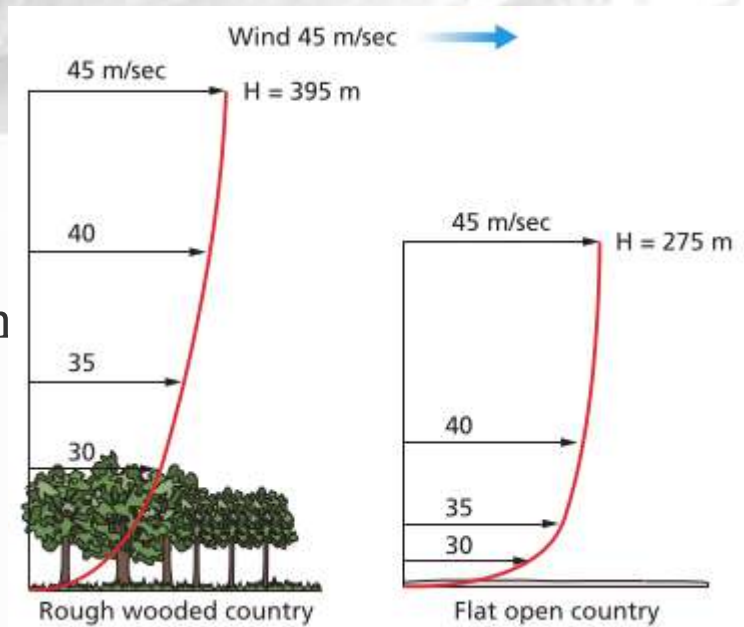
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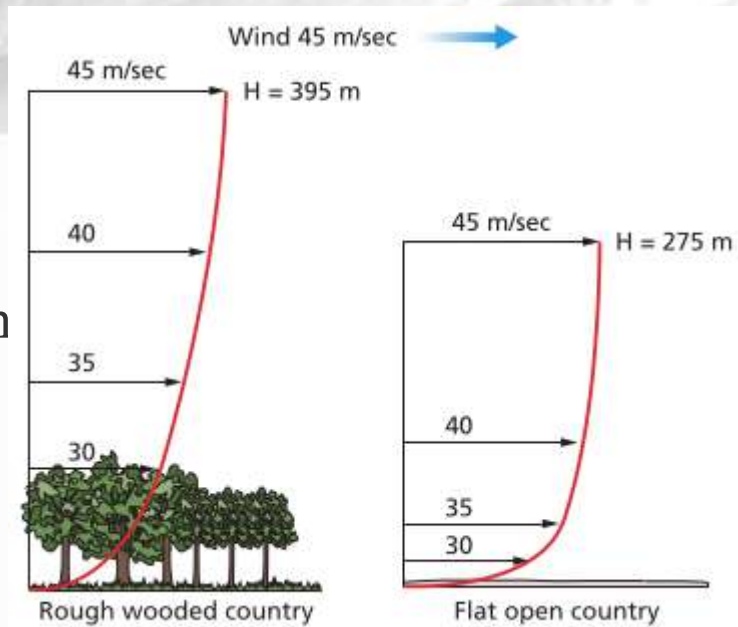
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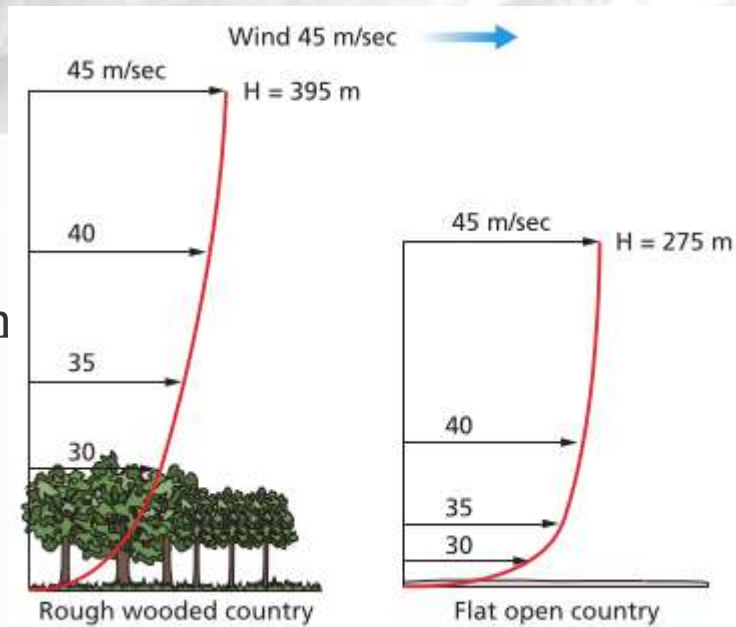
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Summary

Solar Energy

$$I(\lambda, T) = \frac{2hc}{\lambda^3} \frac{1}{e^{hc/\lambda k_B T} - 1}$$

Geothermal Energy

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Hydroelectric Energy

$$P = eqha$$

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