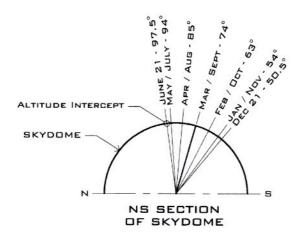
THE SUN SIMULATOR: A MULTI LIGHT HELIODON

CHARACTERISTICS:

- CUSTOM BUILT FOR A SPECIFIC LATITUDE WITH A PLUS AND MINUS
 DEGREE LATITUDE RANGE.
- CAN BE BUILT TO ANY SIZE (BEST FOR 4 TO 6M RANGE IN DIAMETER).
- CONCEPTUALLY CLEAR EXCELLENT TEACHING TOOL.
- EASY TO UNDERSTAND AND USE.
- GROUND PLANE REMAINS HORIZONTAL OR NEARLY SO (+(-) 10°) FOR CONCEPTUAL CLARITY AND EASE OF MODEL HANDLING.
- CAN ACCOMMODATE LARGE MODELS.
- GOOD PARALLEL LIGHT (LARGE LAMPS AT LARGE DIST. FROM MODEL).
- CAN ACCOMMODATE AN AUDIENCE OF AT LEAST 15 (STUDENTS, MUSEUM VISITORS, ETC.)
- RUGGED AND DURABLE (DOES NOT REQUIRE A TRAINED OPERATOR -ANYONE CAN USE THIS HELIODON)
- MODEST COST.

NOTES:

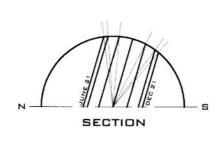
- DRAWINGS CAN BE USED TO BUILD A SUN SIMULATOR OF ANY SIZE. MOST DIMENSIONS ARE RELATIVE TO CHOSEN SKYDOME DIAMETER. THE ONLY EXCEPTIONS ARE THE TILT TABLE DIMENSIONS AND THE HEIGHT OF THE WOODEN ARCH ABUTMENTS WHICH ARE BASED ON ERGONOMICS.
- 2 ARCHES CAN BE MADE OF PVC, HEATED AND SHAPED ON A MOLD (TEMPLATE).
- 3 LAMPS: 12V PAR 36 NARROW SPOT (NARROWNESS OF BEAM WILL DEPEND ON DIAMETER OF HELIODON).
- (4) POWER SUPPLY: 200 W, 12V, DC OUTPUT.
- 5 HELIODON SHOULD BE BOLTED TO FLOOR. IF AND WHEN HELIODON IS MOVED AS AN ASSEMBLY, THE WOODEN ABUTMENTS MUST BE RIGIDLY CONNECTED TO EACH OTHER TO PREVENT DISTORTIONS AND DAMAGE TO ARCHES.
- 6 SUPPORT SHELF IN ABUTMENTS.
- 7 TOP OF TILT TABLE IS BOMM BELOW OPTICAL CENTER TO ALLOW FOR THICKNESS OF MODEL BASE.
- (B) NUMBER OF LIGHTS IN EACH MONTH VARIES BY LATITUDE AND TIME OF YEAR.



ALTITUDE ANGLES AT 12 NOON ON THE 21ST OF EACH MONTH AT 16° N. LAT. STEP

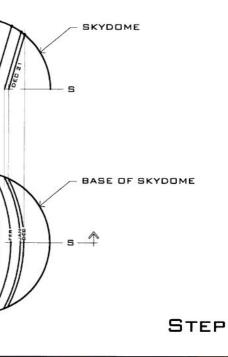
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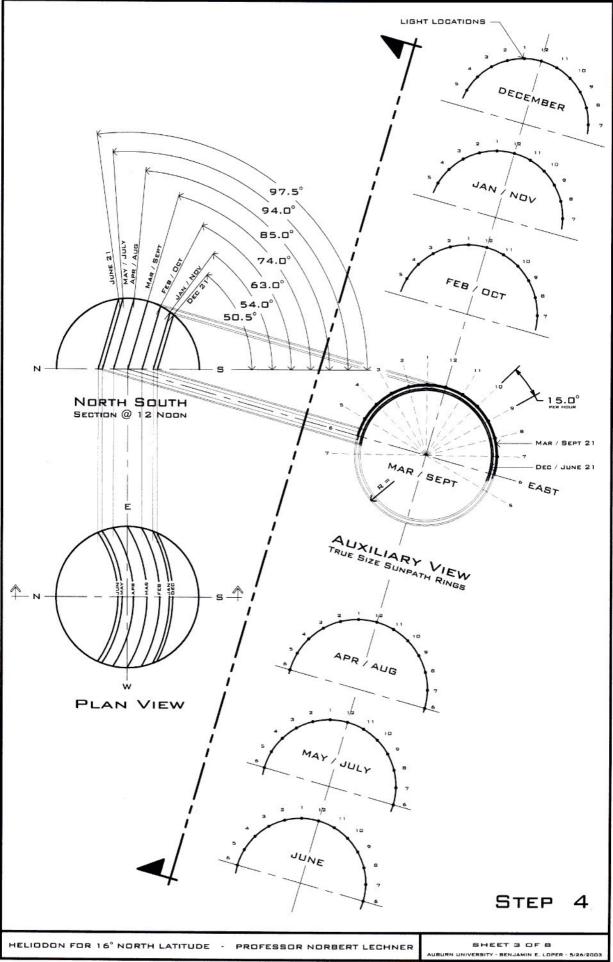
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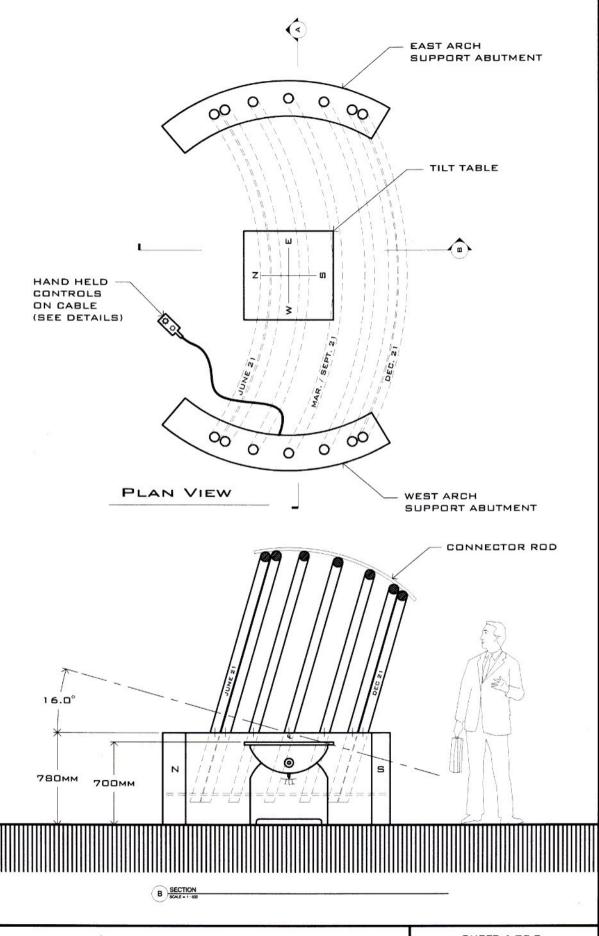


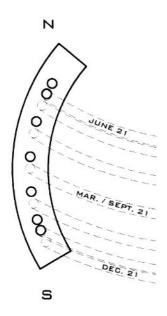
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INDICATES SUNPATH

SECTION

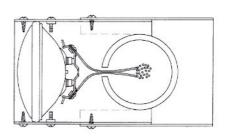




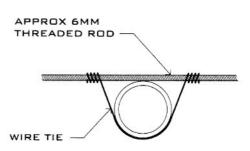


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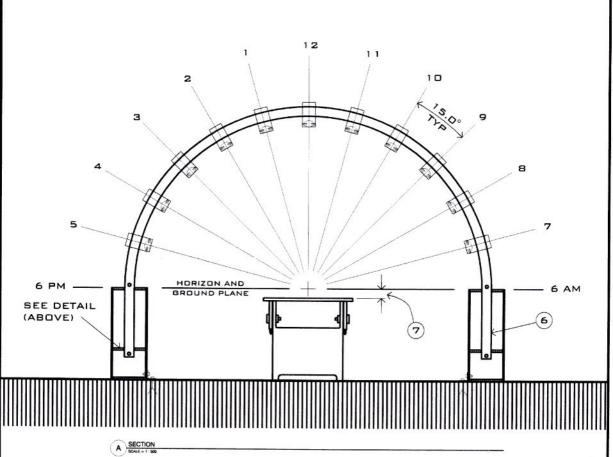
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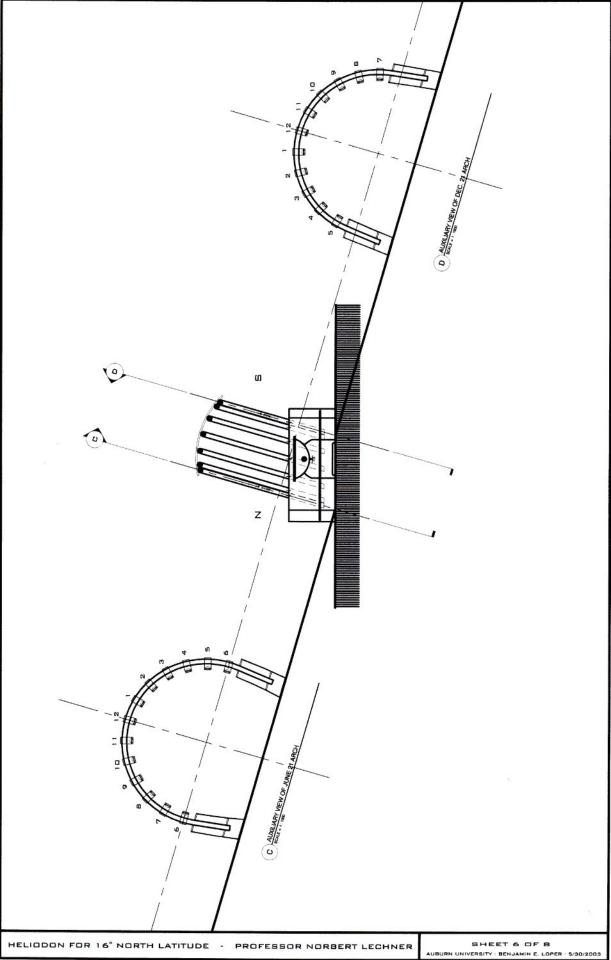


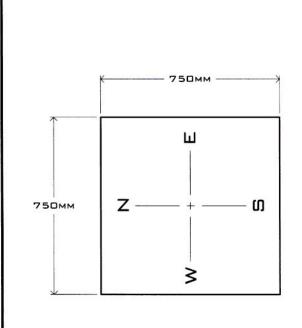
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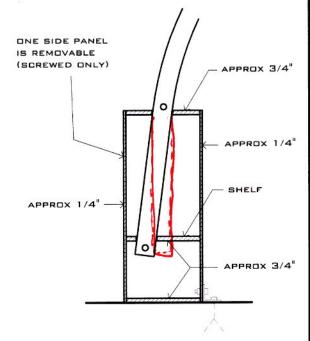


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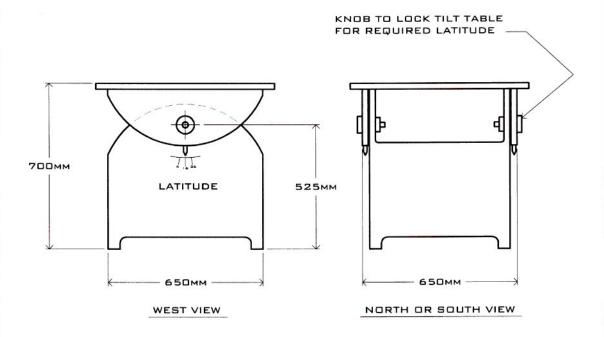






PLAN VIEW





TILT TABLE
DETAILS
SCALE = 1:250

