



A one-family house in the Forch near Zurich. Here numerous measurements were taken over a lengthy period, which proved

the efficiency of the sun-oriented paraboloid concentrating mirrors.

The heat requirements of a larger apartment building in the south of France is entirely covered by sun radiation collectors. The concentrating LNC-collectors generate the high temperatures required for the heat accumulators, as well as the energy for a model sea-water desalination plant.



THE CONCENTRATING SOLAR COLLECTOR

ADVANTAGES

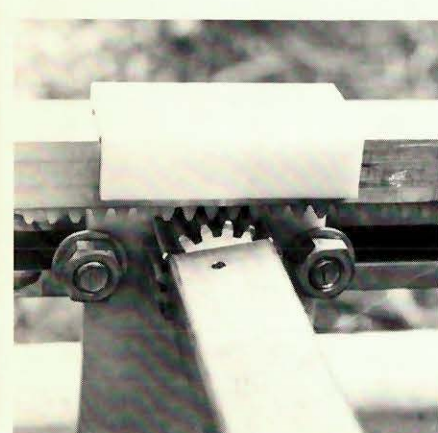
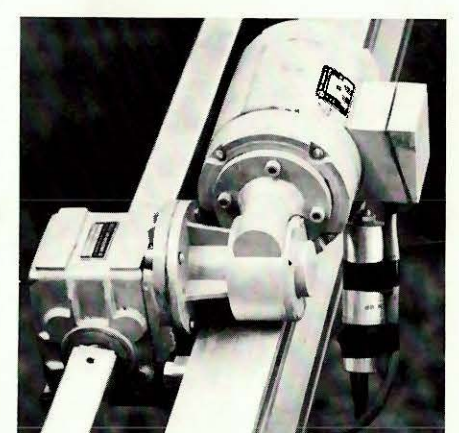
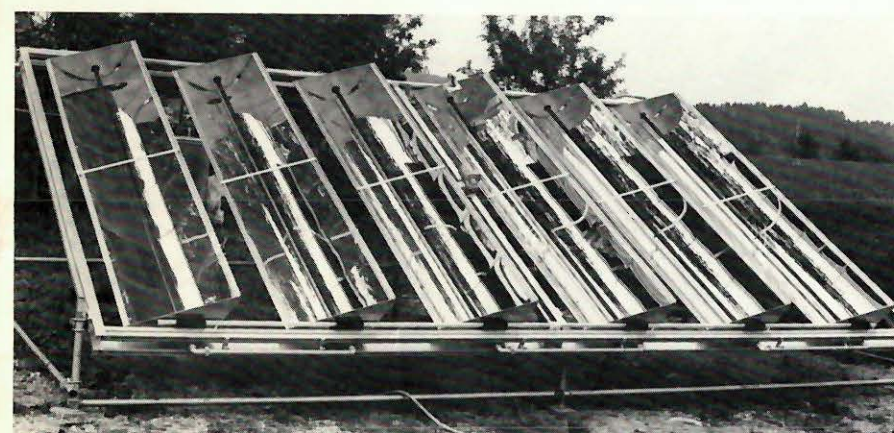
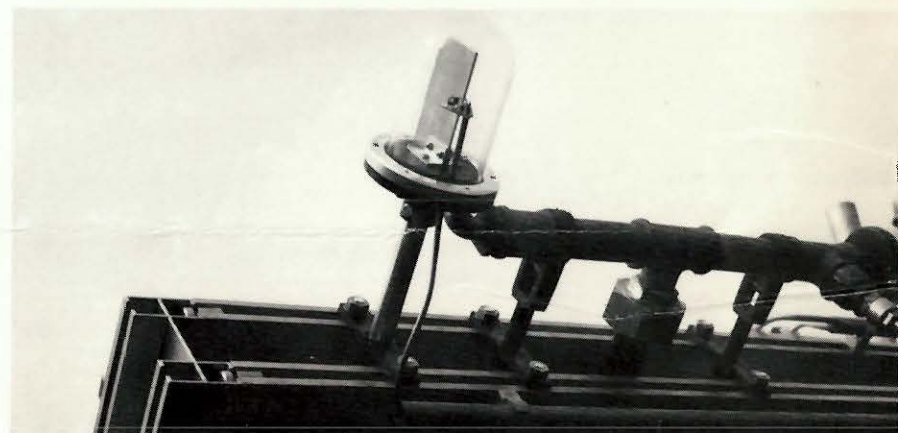
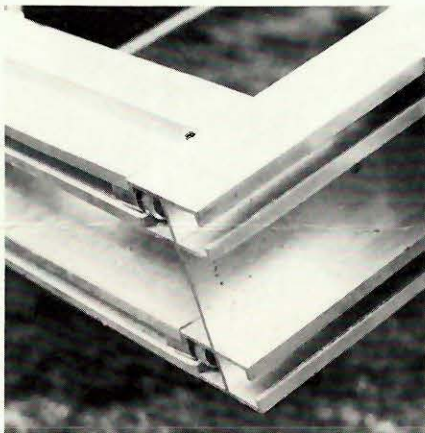
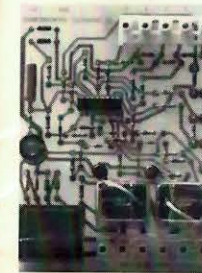
- feeding into existing high-temperature or conventional installations possible.
- maximum exploitation of solar radiation at all hours of the day.
- high efficiency thanks to the concentrating effect and the best possible absorption of the sun's radiation
- constant output of power due to the mirror following the sun.
- small size of the accumulator owing to the high temperature level generated
- small heat loss and low sensibility to wind owing to the reduced surface of the heat absorber
- matured, proven, modular system
- favourable cost/output ratio
- fullest exploitation of the available space
- minimum maintenance

PRINCIPLE

Cylindrical parabolical mirrors, which follow the sun from east to west, concentrate the solar radiation on an absorber system in which the heat carrierfluid (e.g. water) circulates.

RANGE OF APPLICATION

- hot water production or heating of water for industrial or household use
- heating installations in one- or multi-family houses, hospitals, swimming pools, industry etc.
- air conditioning (with absorption-type refrigerator units)
- steam generation and heat processing (laundries etc.)
- desalinization plants for sea water (multi-stage evaporation)
- power generation (heat engines, pumps, electric generators)
- energy balance of green houses



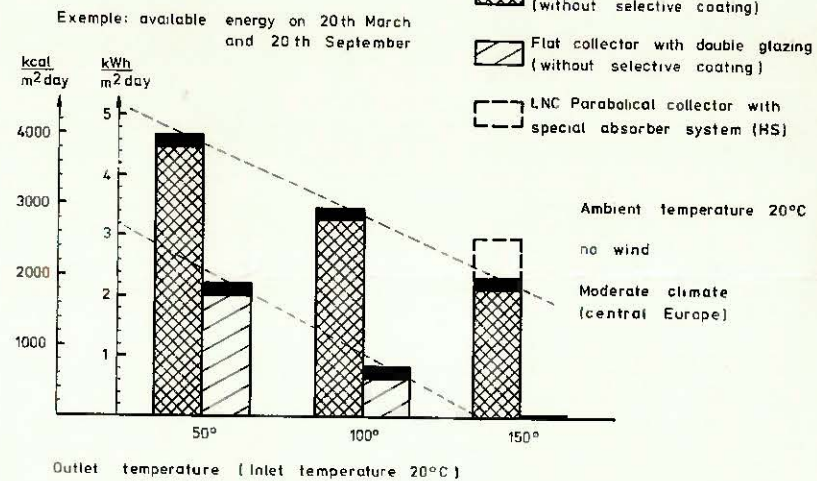
THERMIC DATA

Performance, efficiency

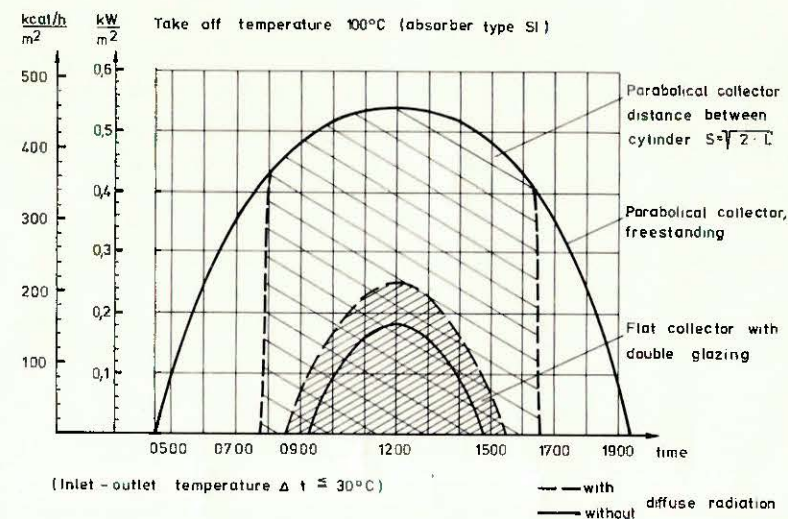
Operation

The mirrors, controlled by a sun-sensor-driving unit, follow the progress of the sun continuously. They concentrate the sun's radiation directly on the absorber tube, placed in the centre of the focal line, where the heat-carrying medium circulates. In order to keep heat losses at the lowest possible level, the concentrated solar energy is transmitted directly inside the tube, which is of glass. Inside the glass tube is a black star-shaped absorber, which absorbs the radiation and transfers the generated heat to the heat carrier fluid (e.g. water). Different heat carrier media were developed for lower and higher heat generation. At the fall of darkness the mirrors are automatically re-oriented towards the east. An integral thermostat prevents overheating by defocusing the mirrors. Up to 18 mirrors elements are moved by a controlling device aiming them continuously at the sun.

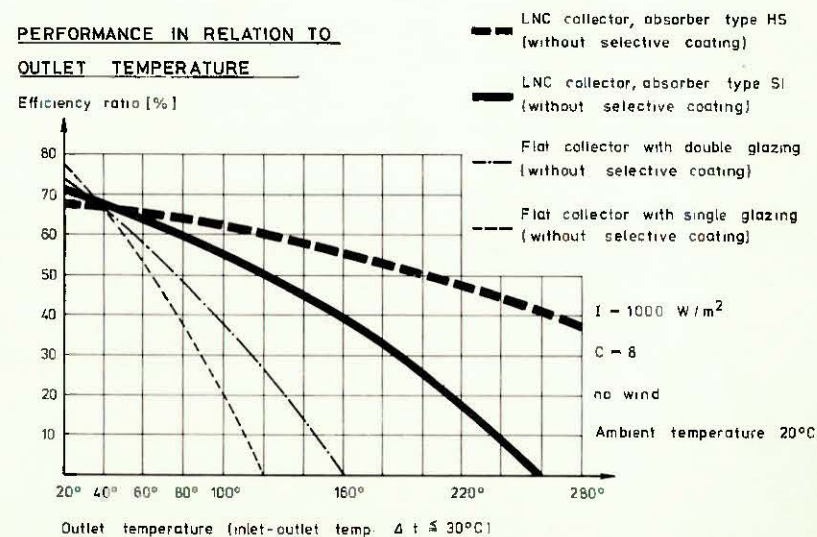
ENERGY YIELD



DAILY OUTPUT CURVE (JUNE 20th)



PERFORMANCE IN RELATION TO OUTLET TEMPERATURE



The system of mirrors

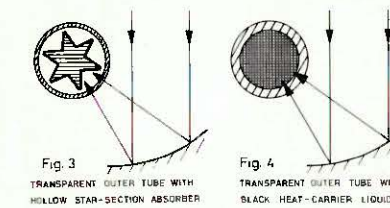
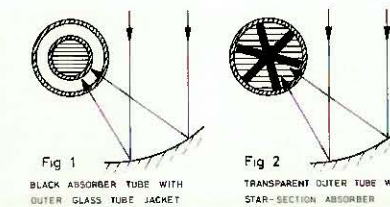
The radiation collector is composed of individual cylindrical-parabolic concave mirror elements. The reflecting silver layer of the glass mirrors is particularly protected against the environmental effects. Owing to the high quality of their surface, their inclination and the action of wind and rain, the mirrors are self-cleaning. In climates with little rainfall they may occasionally be in need of cleaning with water (garden hose)

TECHNICAL DATA OF A STANDARD COLLECTOR UNIT

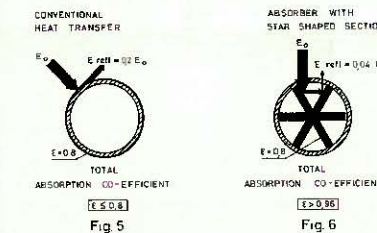
The smallest standard collector battery consists of 6 mirrors. A medium standard collector battery has 12 to 18 mirrors

Energy surface of the smallest unit	11 m ² (6 cylinders of 1.83 m ² each)
Space required for the smallest unit	18 m ²
Weight of the smallest unit	200 kg
Concentration factor	6-10
Current draw of the control motor	(60 W) max. 0.03 kWh/day (sunshine)

ABSORBER SYSTEMS (* PAT. POLISOLAR LTD.)

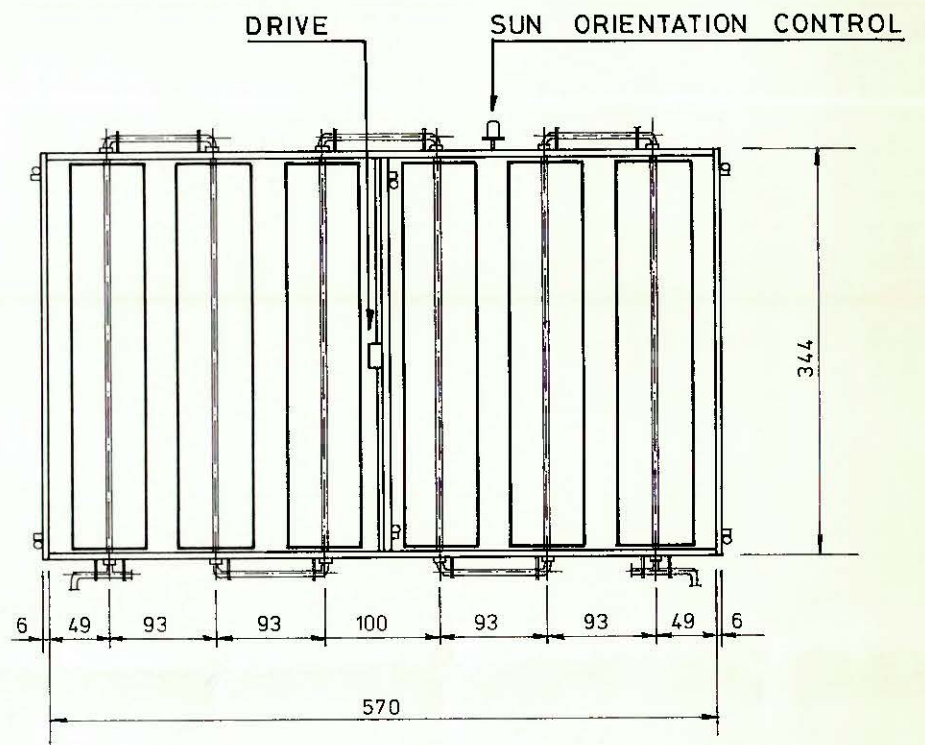


BLACK BODY EFFECT OBTAINED BY MEANS OF STAR SECTION SHAPED ABSORBER (PAT. POLISOLAR LTD.)



Absorber Systems

Two Absorber Systems have been developed:
The Low-Temperature Absorber consist of a glass tube, which is either equipped with a star-section insert or filled with a black liquid. The sun's rays are therefore radiated directly into the heat-carrier medium. If plain water (instead of black liquid) is the carrier, absorption takes place inside by the star-section absorber. This absorber is shaped in such a manner, that an effect of black-



body absorption is obtained by means of multiple absorption. In case of high-temperature absorption, the heat-carrier medium flows through the hollow core of the star-shaped absorber, and the outer glass tube acts as insulator.

Space required abt. 18 m²

1 collector element:
energy absorbing area = 3190 x 575 mm = 1,83 m²
6 collector elements:
energy absorbing area total = 11 m²

