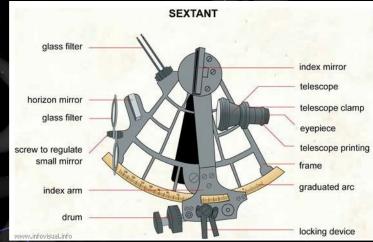
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A Sextant is a Doubly Reflecting Navigation Instrument that measures the Angular Distance between 2 Visible Objects. The primary use of a Sextant is to measure the Angle between an Astronomical Object and the Horizon for the purposes of Celestial Navigation. The Estimation of this Angle, the Altitude, is known as Sighting or Shooting the Object, or Taking a Sight. The Angle, and the Time when it was measured, can be used to calculate a Position Line on a Nautical or Aeronautical Chart—for example, sighting the Sun at Noon or Polaris at Night (in the Northern Hemisphere) to estimate Latitude (with Sight Reduction).





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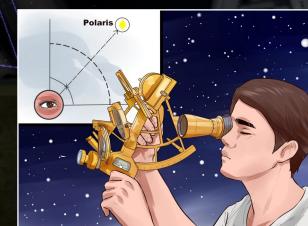
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Sextant Instrument



Sighting the Height of a Landmark can give a Measure of Distance off and held Horizontally, a Sextant can measure Angles between Objects for a position on a Chart. A Sextant can also be used to measure the lunar distance between the moon and another celestial object (such as a Star or Planet) in order to determine Greenwich Mean Time and hence Longitude.

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