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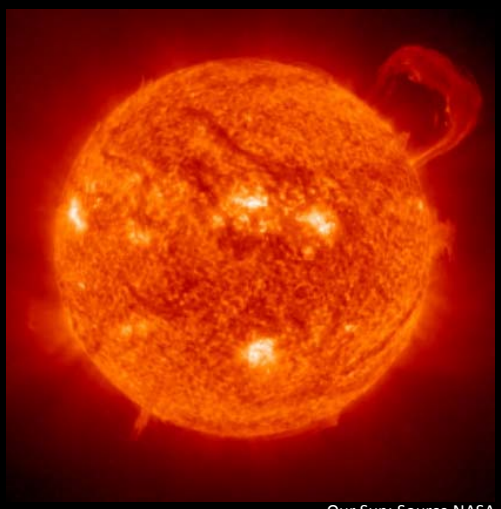

Our Sun: Source NASA

Christoph Reinhart

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Course Outline Spring 2011

Week 1:	Course Introduction	The Source
Week 2:	The Sensor	HDR Workshop (Stata Center)
Week 3:	Massing Studies	Where is the Sun?
Week 4:	Physical Model Building	Solar Gains Management
Week 5:	+++ Heliodon Measurements (Instructor Traveling) +++	
Week 6:	Daylight Simulations	Light and Matter
Week 7:	Midterm Presentations I	Midterm Presentations II
Week 8:	+++ Spring Recess +++	
Week 9:	Circadian Effects (Lockley)	Daylight Availability
Week 10:	Visual Comfort & Glare	Envelope Design
Week 11:	Patriots Day (no class)	Advanced Simulation Concepts
Week 12:	Electric Lighting Basics	Occupant Behavior & Controls
Week 13:	Integrating Light & Energy	Interior Design/Parametric Design
Week 14:	Final Presentations I	Final Presentations II
Week 15:	Daylighting in Practice	Field Trip

Designing for Daylight

The Holy and Nature

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Basilica di Sagrada Familia, Gaudi, 1882, Barcelona, Spain.

Emotions

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Treasury of Atreus in Mycenae, Greece, 1250BC.

Daylighting is related to the senses…

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MACBA, BArcelona

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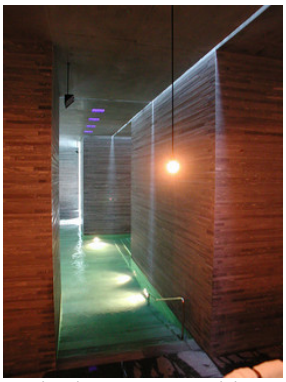

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Thermal Baths, Valls

Peter Zumthor

Giraldi house

Luis Barragan

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Appropriateness

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Doe Library at UC Berkeley 1911, Architecture Emiliy Bebar :

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Church of Light, 1989, Architecture Tadao Ando

Functions as desired

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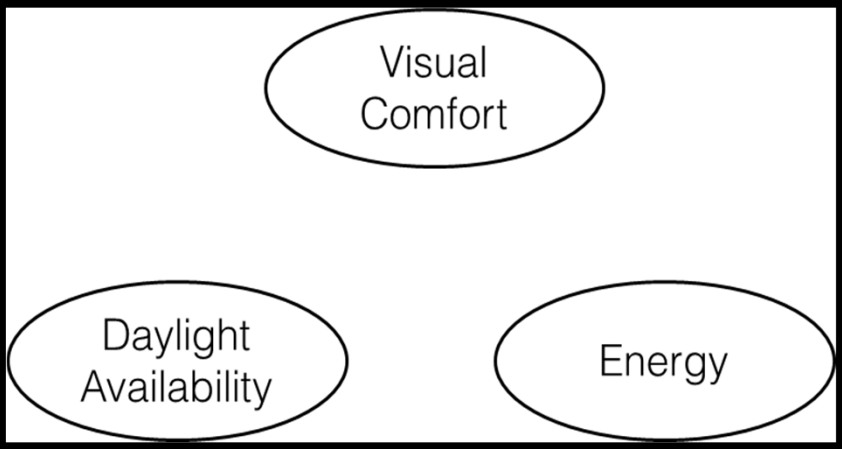
Implementing daylighting is important for […] the happiness of the occupants.

A Daylit Work Space

architecture: Meier-Weinbrenner-Single, Nürtingen (Germany)

Aspects of a 'well daylit space'



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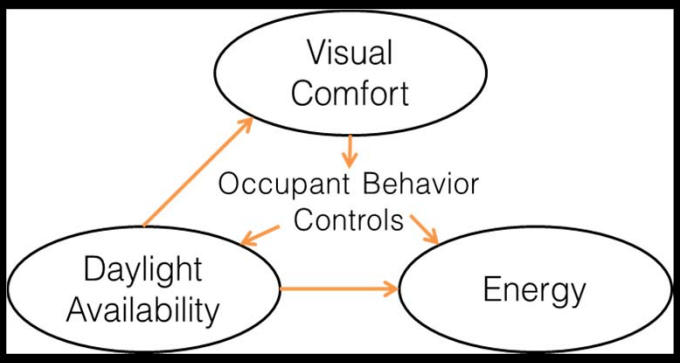
Definition of a 'well daylit space'

A space that is primarily lit with natural light and that combines a high occupant satisfaction with the visual and thermal environment with low overall energy use for lighting, heating and cooling.



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Automated Shades

Rolex Center, Lausanne, Switzerland, Architecture Sanaa, Photo Reinhart

The Ultimate Adaptive Space

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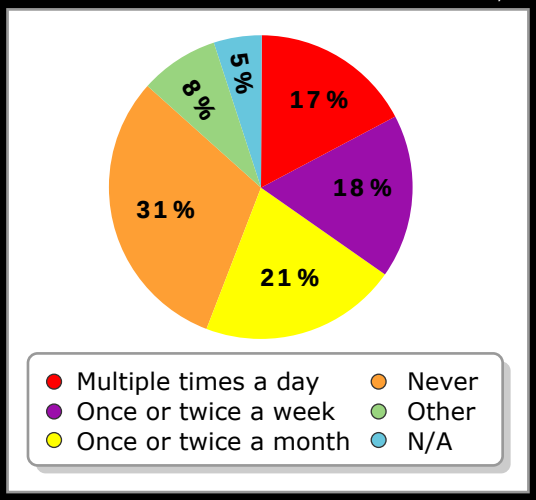
Blind Use in New York City Classrooms

Question 14: How often do you adjust the shading device(s)?

MDesS thesis, Jennifer Sze 2009



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- 183 teacher surveys, 9 participating schools

Five Daylighting Definitions

1: The interplay of natural light and building form to provide a visually stimulating, healthful, and productive interior environment.
2: The replacement of indoor electric illumination needs by daylight, resulting in reduced annual energy consumption for lighting
3: The use of fenestration systems and responsive electric lighting controls to reduce overall building energy requirements (heating, cooling, lighting)
4: Dynamic control of fenestration and lighting to manage and control building peak electric demand and load shape
5: The use of daylighting strategies to minimize operating costs and maximize output, sales, or productivity

What do your peers think?

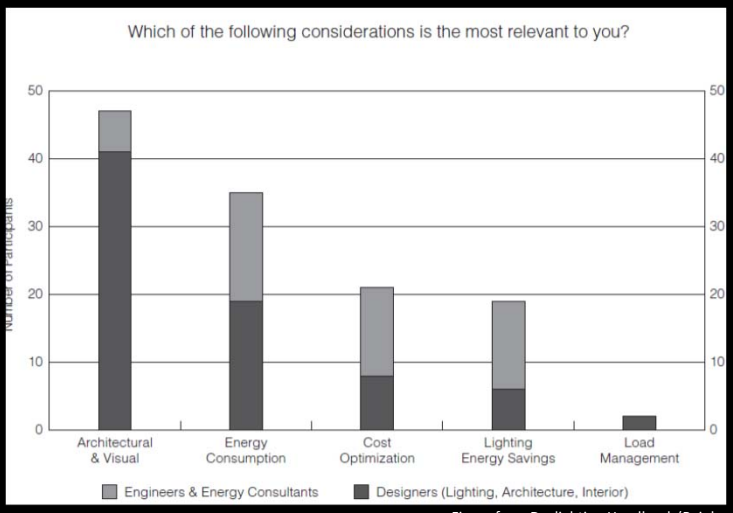

Figure from Daylighting Handbook (Reinhart)

- Survey of 177 design practitioners

Paper: Galasiu A D, Reinhart CF, "Current Daylighting Design Practice: A Survey", Building Research & Information 36:2 pp. 159-174, 2008.

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Metrics

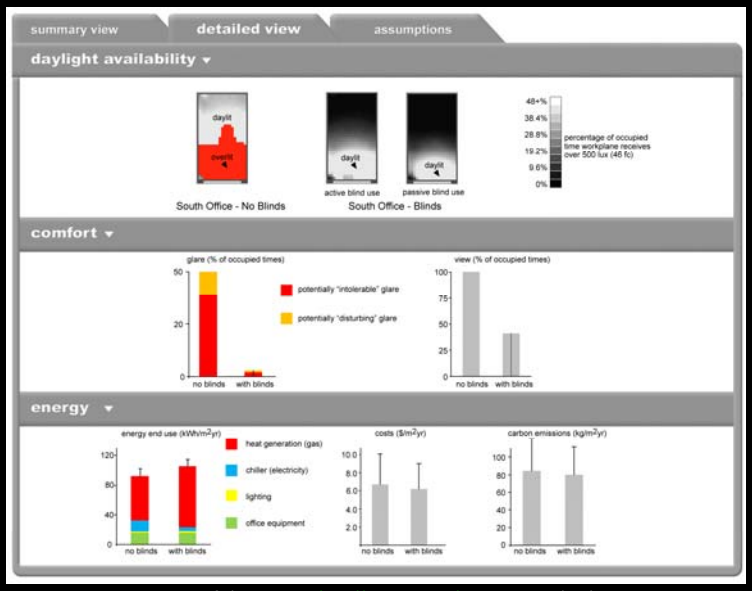
Performance Metrics

- A metric is a 'system of related measures that facilitates the quantification of some particular characteristic'.

Fig 2.18 Daylight Metrics Overview Table.

Category	Metric	Chapter
Daylight	Daylight Factor	10
	Daylight Autonomy	10
	Useful Daylight Illuminance	10
Comfort	Direct Sunlight	6
	Daylight Glare Probability	12
	View	12
Energy	Annual Loads	15
	Equivalent Carbon Emissions	15
	Direct Shading Studies	7
	Solar Gains	7
	Costs	15

Dashboards



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Paper
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Comparative Analysis vs Benchmarks

- A metric is a 'system of related measures that facilitates the quantification of some particular characteristic'.
- Metric values for a particular design solution can either used for relative comparisons between alternative design solutions or for absolute comparison against a benchmark value.
- Relative comparisons allow conclusions such as whether one design variant fulfills a design goal 'better' than another.
- Comparisons against a benchmark value can be used to establish pass/fail criteria. The attraction of using a pass/fail criterion is that a design variant is effectively compared to all spaces that were used to establish the benchmark value. Ideally, this should have been a representative sample of all comparable buildings or spaces in the building stock.

‘Quantitative’ versus ‘Qualitative’

Photographs of the Daylighting Metrics Study removed due to copyright restrictions.

Summer 2007 Daylighting Metrics Study: ‘The degree of agreement between the experts was surprising given that the same individuals tend to frequently disagree when it comes to the development of quantitative performance metrics of imaginary daylit spaces.’ In contrast, daylight factor predictions are much more divergent.

A Universally Accepted Well Daylit Space

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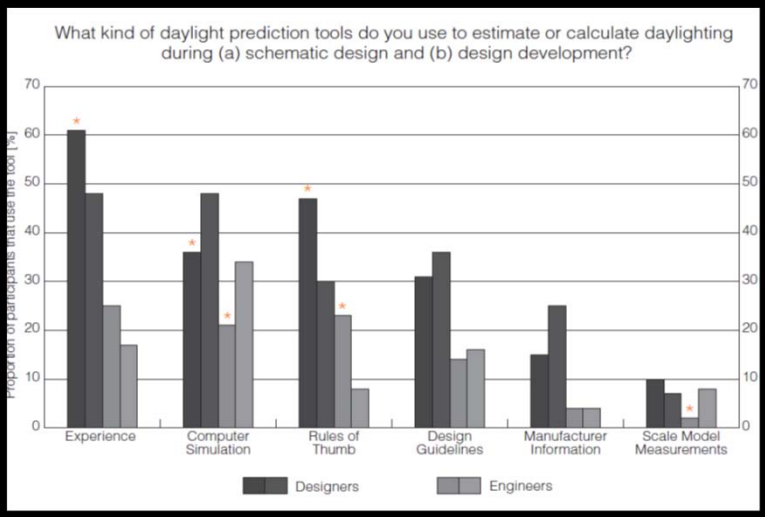
Chapel of St Ignatius, 1997 Seattle Washing by S Holl.

Maybe we have just not found a framework to describe and quantify this goodness?

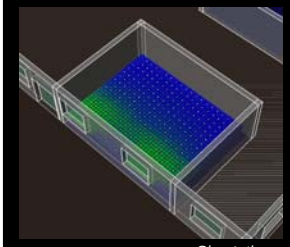
Design Tools

Daylighting Design Tools



Galasiu & Reinhart, BRI 2008
Figure from Daylighting Handbook

Fruitful Relationship between Simulations, Rules of Thumb and Physical Models



Simulation

Rule of Thumb

Physical Model

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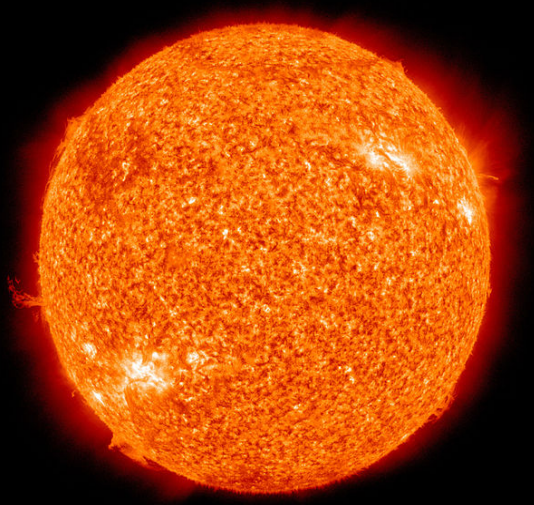
The Source - Sunlight

Our Sun



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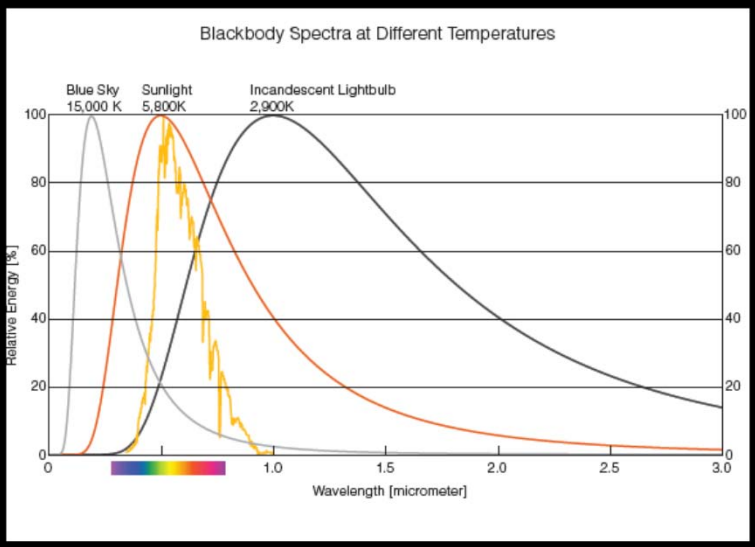
150 million km away; diameter of 1.4 million km; surface temperature of 5800 K

Solar Spectrum



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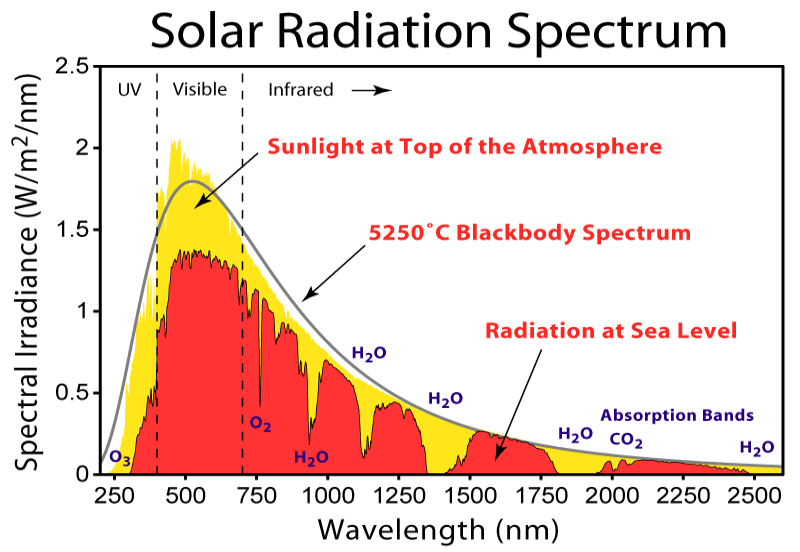

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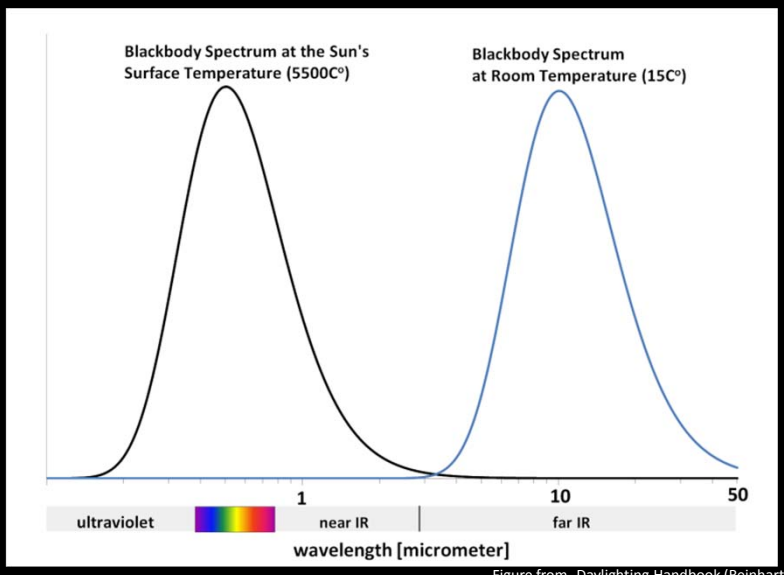
Four Wavelength Bands



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Annual Solar Radiation

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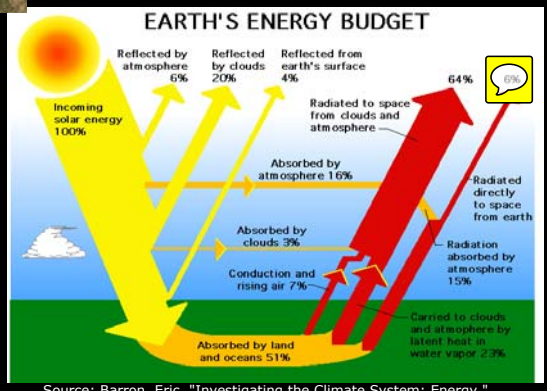
Top of Atmosphere



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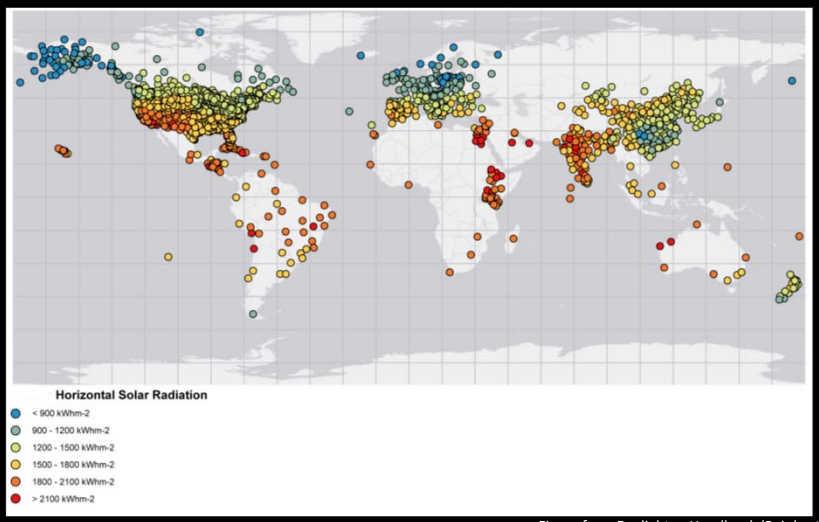
Global Horizontal Radiation for different Latitudes

Annual Solar Radiation



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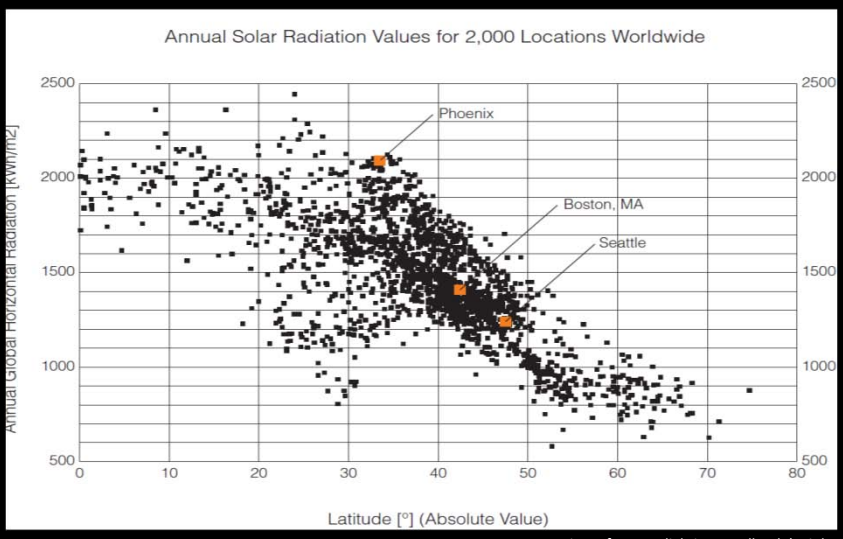
- ❑ 200 EPW weather file sites

Annual Solar Radiation



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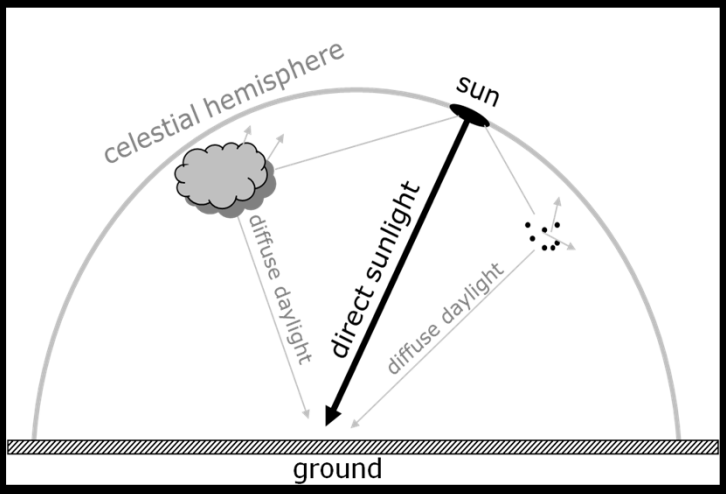
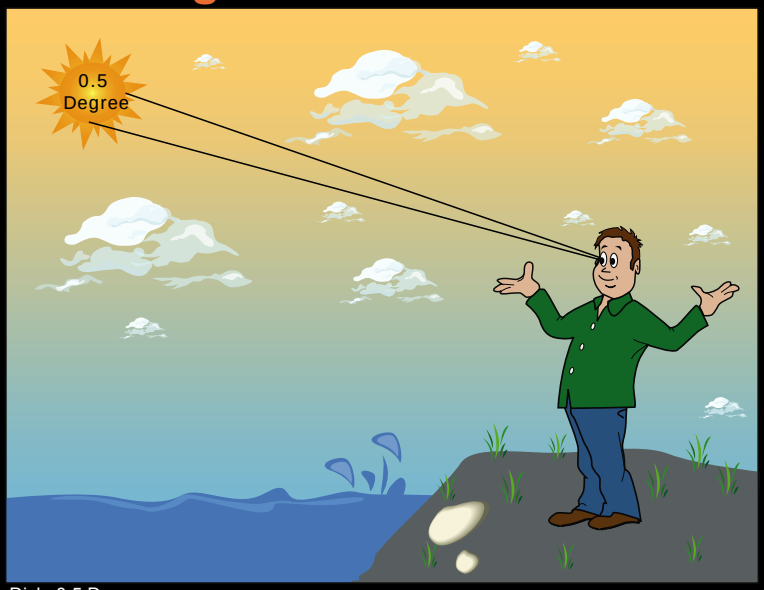
Direct Sunlight and Diffuse Daylight



A considerable part of sunlight that is entering the Earth's atmosphere is scattered/ reflected of clouds, aerosols, air molecules, and water vapor before it hits the Earth's surface. This part is responsible for the blue sky and is called **diffuse daylight**.

Direct Sunlight



Solar Disk: 0.5 Degree

Circumsolar Region: 5 Degree

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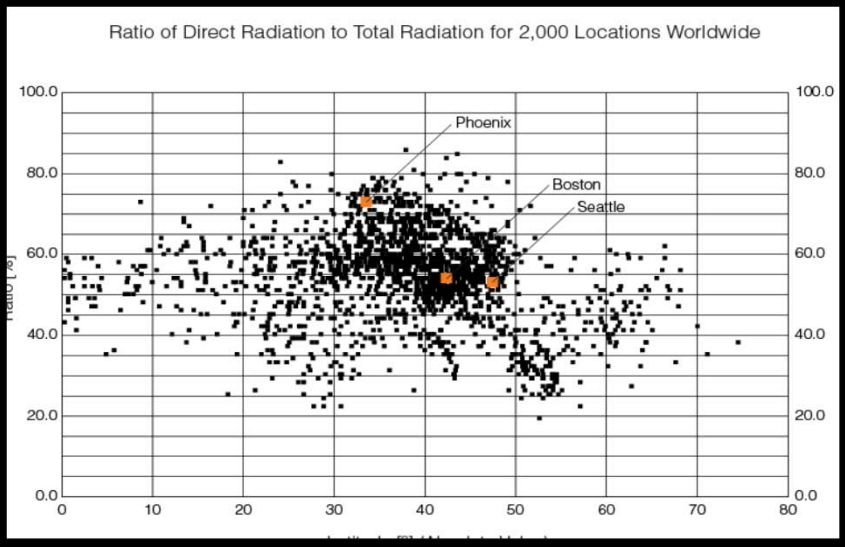
Our Sun



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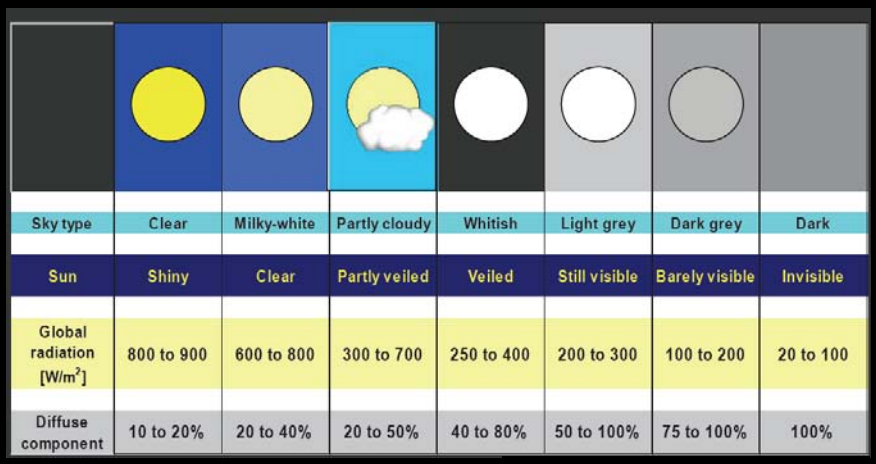
- 50-70% of all solar radiation is direct
- I.e. you always should know where the sun is.

Direct/Diffuse Radiation for Different Sky Types



Sky type	Clear	Milky-white	Partly cloudy	Whitish	Light grey	Dark grey	Dark
Sun	Shiny	Clear	Partly veiled	Veiled	Still visible	Barely visible	Invisible
Global radiation [W/m^2]	800 to 900	600 to 800	300 to 700	250 to 400	200 to 300	100 to 200	20 to 100
Diffuse component	10 to 20%	20 to 40%	20 to 50%	40 to 80%	50 to 100%	75 to 100%	100%

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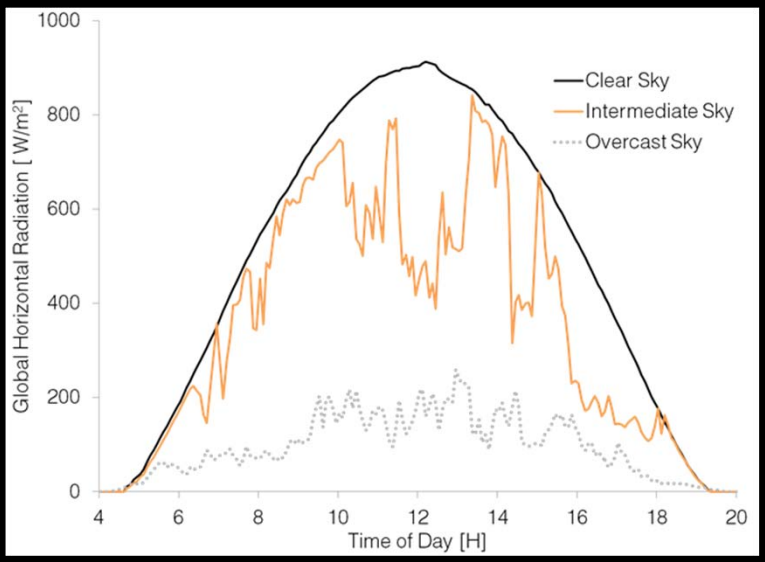
Sky Conditions



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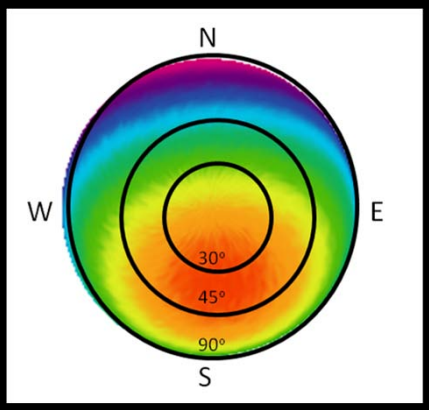
Distribution of Radiation



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Annual Radiation per Surface Orientation for Boston
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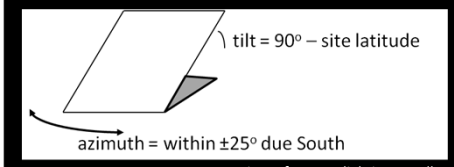

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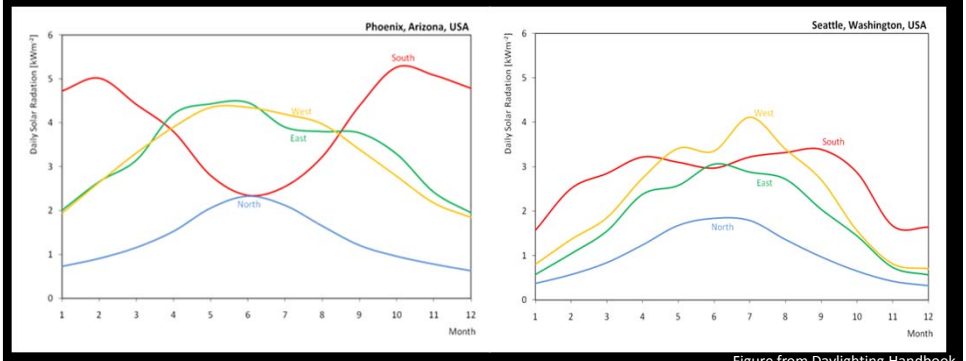
Design Principle: Rule of Thumb for Solar Radiation

The maximum annual solar radiation generally falls onto a surface with a tilt angle that corresponds to a 90° minus the site's latitude and that is facing within ±25° due South.

Daily Radiation on Surfaces



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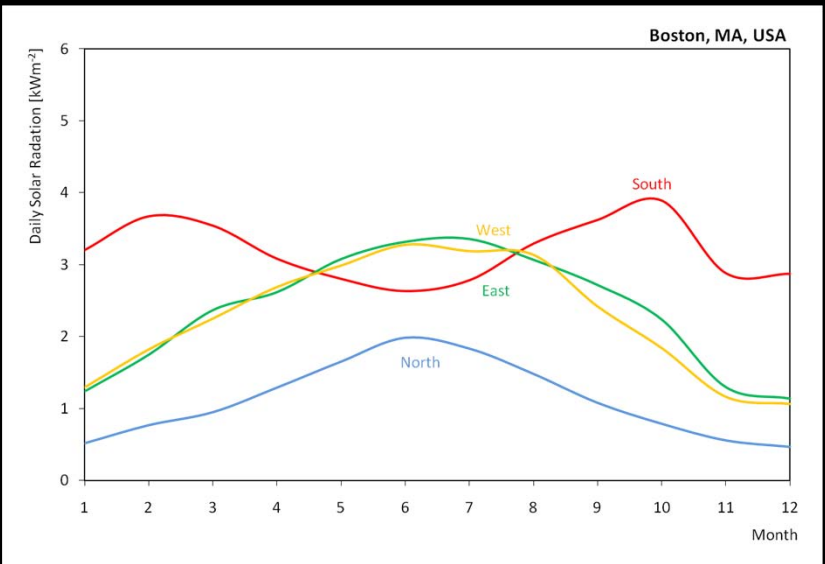
Southward orientation is less beneficial in Seattle than in Arizona.

Daily Radiation for Boston



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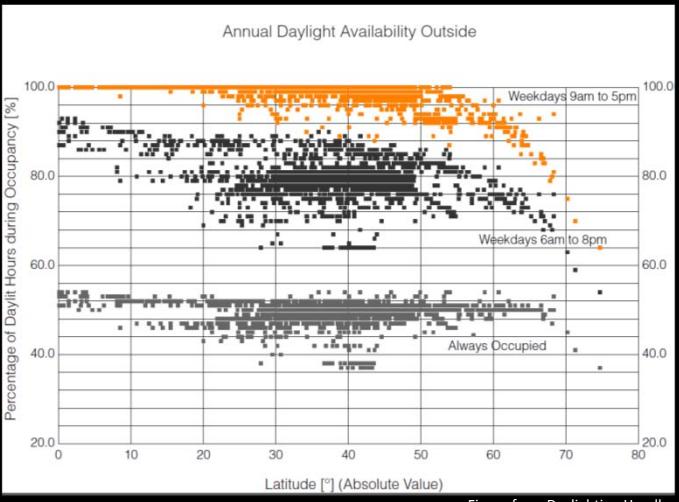
Percentage of Outside Daylit Hours During Occupancy



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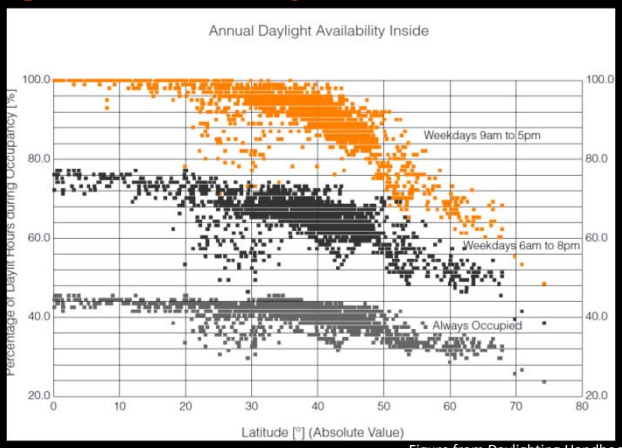

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- For latitudes below 50° there is also the potential to daylight interior spaces for 80% of core commercial hours. With 93% of the world's population living at latitudes below 50°, daylighting can be considered to be a global solution for lighting buildings.

Measuring Climate

Climate Data

Dry Bulb Temperature [°C]

Relative Humidity [%]

Direct Solar Radiation [W/m²]

Diffuse Horizontal Solar Radiation [W/m²]

Wind speed [km/h]

Wind direction [Degree]

Cloud Cover [%]

Rainfall [mm]

Measuring Global Solar Radiation

Pyranometers and photometers (Photo Tom Stoffel, National Renewable Energy Laboratory)

Measuring Diffuse Solar Radiation

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shadow band pyranometer

Measuring Solar Radiation

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BF3 Sunshine Sensor

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Measuring Direct Solar Radiation

Radiometers installed on an automatic solar tracker (Photo Tom Stoffel, NREL)

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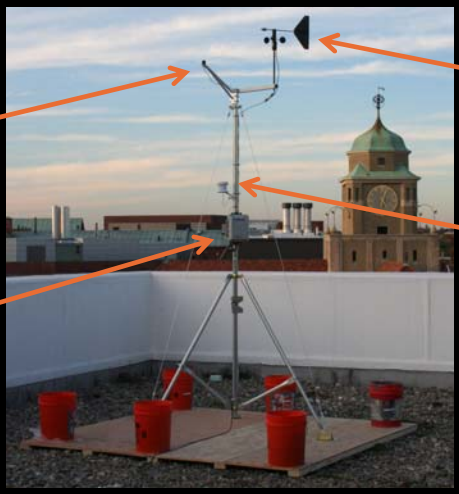
GSD Weather Station



Solar Radiation

Wind Speed & Direction

Temperature & Relative Humidity

Data Logger

Hardware Costs $2000 (Oct 2008)

(Weather Station Starter Kit $1214; Tripod Kit $245; Hobo Software $99; 2 PC cables $18; Solar Radiation Sensor $199; Light Sensor Bracket $25; Light Sensor Level $30)

GSD Weather Station

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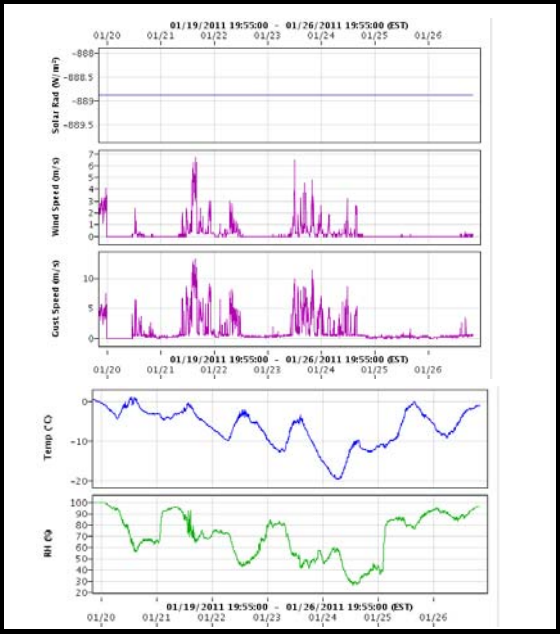

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Typical Metereological Year

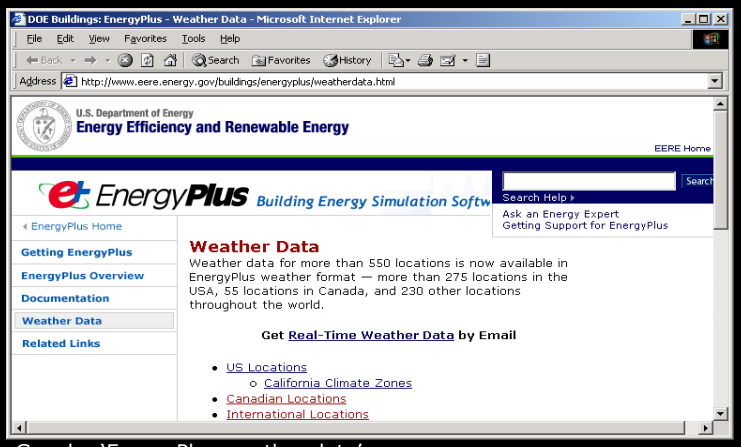
A Typical Meteorological Year (TMY) is defined as a set of real measured hourly values for dry temperature, for global, diffuse and direct normal solar radiation, and for wind velocity. The data are in true sequence within each month. The most important input variables are:

- Dry Bulb Temperature [°C]
- Relative Humidity [%]
- Direct & Diffuse Solar Radiation [W/m²]
- Wind Speed & Direction [km/h]

Note:

- Many simulations find TMY not stringent enough to meaningfully test the performance of a building under extreme weather conditions such as heat waves.
- There is a new set of weather data for the US every 12 years. We are currently at TMY3.
- Weather data will change due to climate change.

EnergyPlus Weather Data



Google: 'EnergyPlus weather data'

The overwhelming majority of TMY files is based on simulated solar radiation combined with 'separation' models.

Beginning of an EPW files

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TYPICAL/EXTREME PERIODS,6,Summer - Week Nearest Max Temperature For Pe
GROUND TEMPERATURES,3,.5,,,,0.47,-0.51,1.23,3.94,11.03,16.51,20.20,21.
HOLIDAYS/DAYLIGHT SAVINGS,No,0,0,0
COMMENTS 1,TMY-94701 -- WMO#725090
COMMENTS 2, -- Ground temps produced with a standard soil diffusivity
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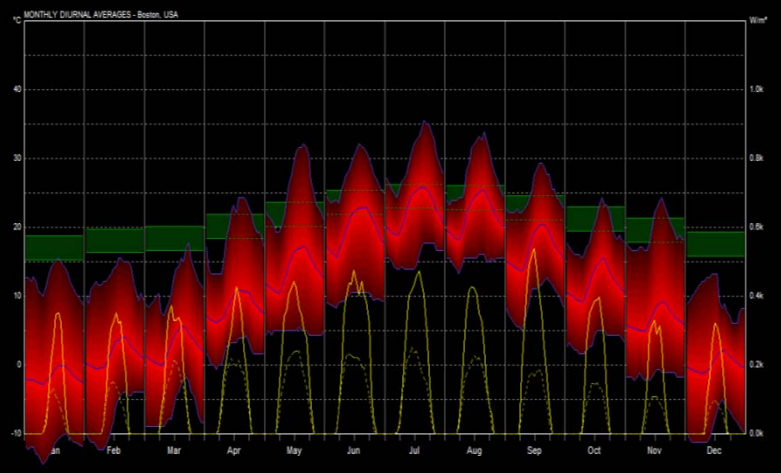
Autodesk Ecotect EPW Weather Tool



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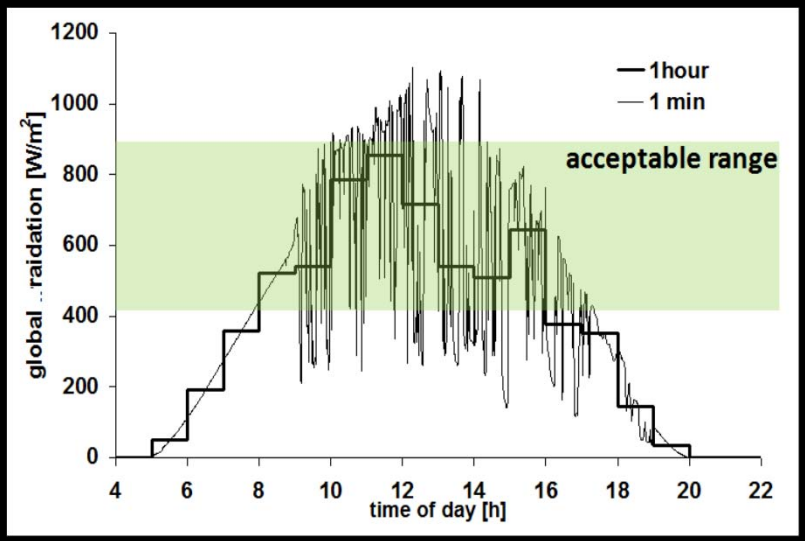

4.430 Daylighting

Spring 2012