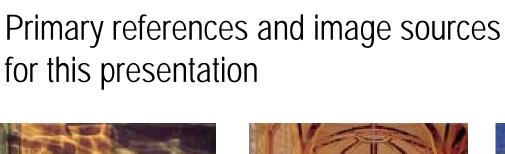
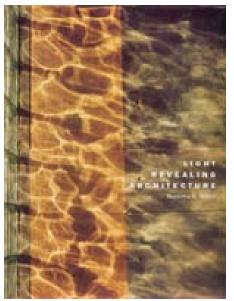
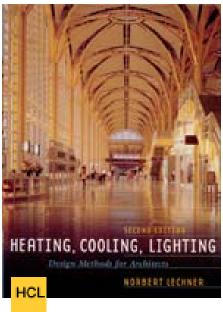
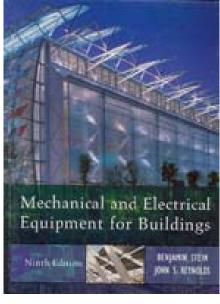


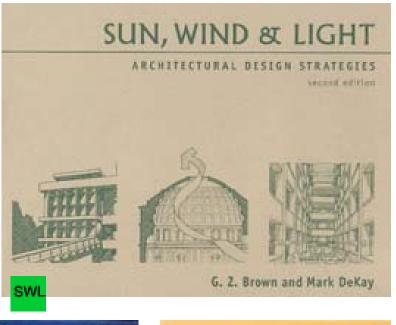
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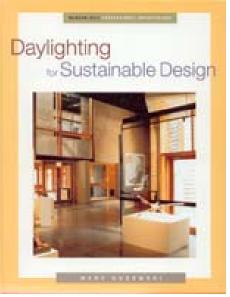












## Daylighting does not equal sunlight!

Daylighting is about bringing natural LIGHT into a space.

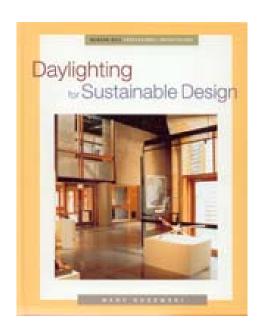
Many daylit spaces do not WANT or NEED direct sunlight.



Daylighting concepts prefer diffuse or indirect lighting.

With the proper use of shading devices to block direct sun penetration into the space, all exposures of the building can receive diffuse light rather than direct sunlight.

It is necessary to differentiate strategies as a function of building use.



### DIRECT SUNLIGHT is about FREE HEAT.

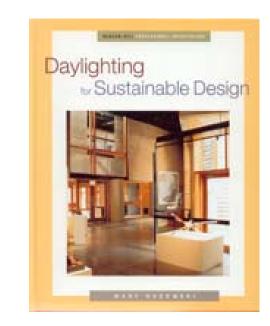


**DAYLIGHT** (diffuse light) is about free **LIGHT**.



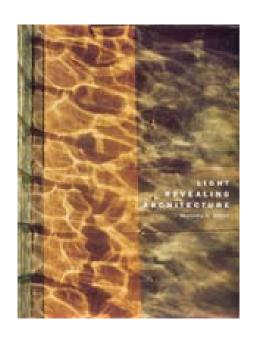
#### Daylighting is environmentally advantageous because it:

- reduces the need for electric lighting
- therefore reducing the energy needed to power the lights
- reducing the heat generated from the lights
- thereby reducing the cooling required for the space



#### Other proven social/health benefits of daylighting:

- improves productivity and worker well being
- •this has been translated into a reduction in sick days, which has saved some companies hundreds of thousands of dollars
- •increased education in children: daylit schools have been proven to assist in higher levels of achievement and a decrease in dental problems!
- Daylighting is also worth 2 basic LEED points in the Interior Environmental Quality category



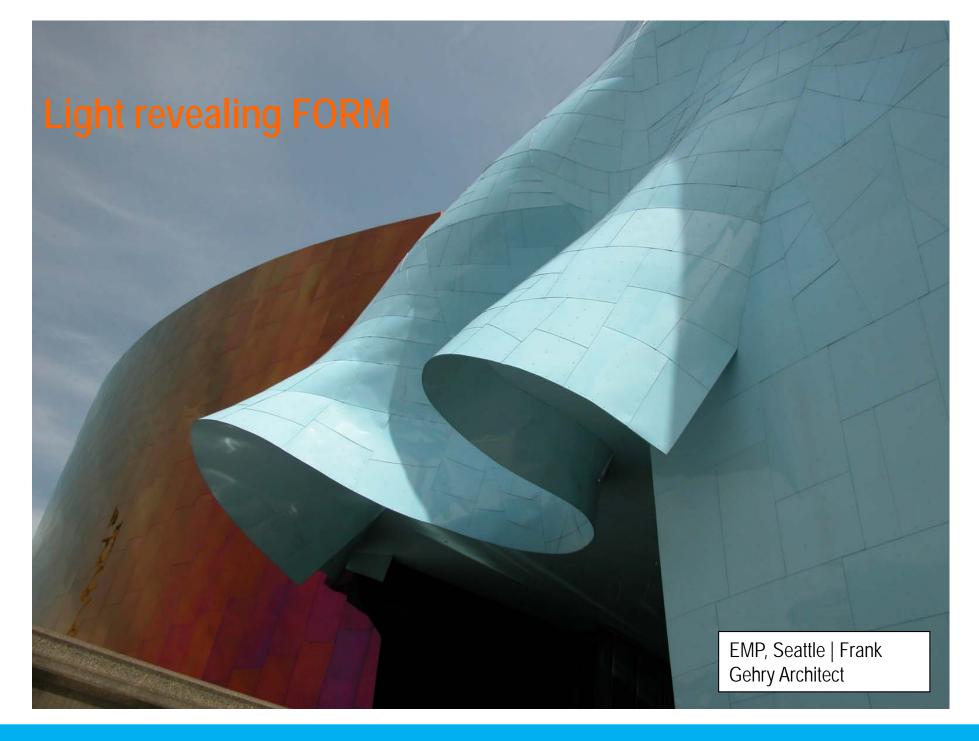
Light Revealing Architecture: Marietta Millett

Light Revealing Experience
Light Revealing Form
Light Revealing Space
Light Revealing Meaning

Light is an important architectural DESIGN TOOL. It has the ability to bring architecture to life. It relates to the use and cultural identity of the building.



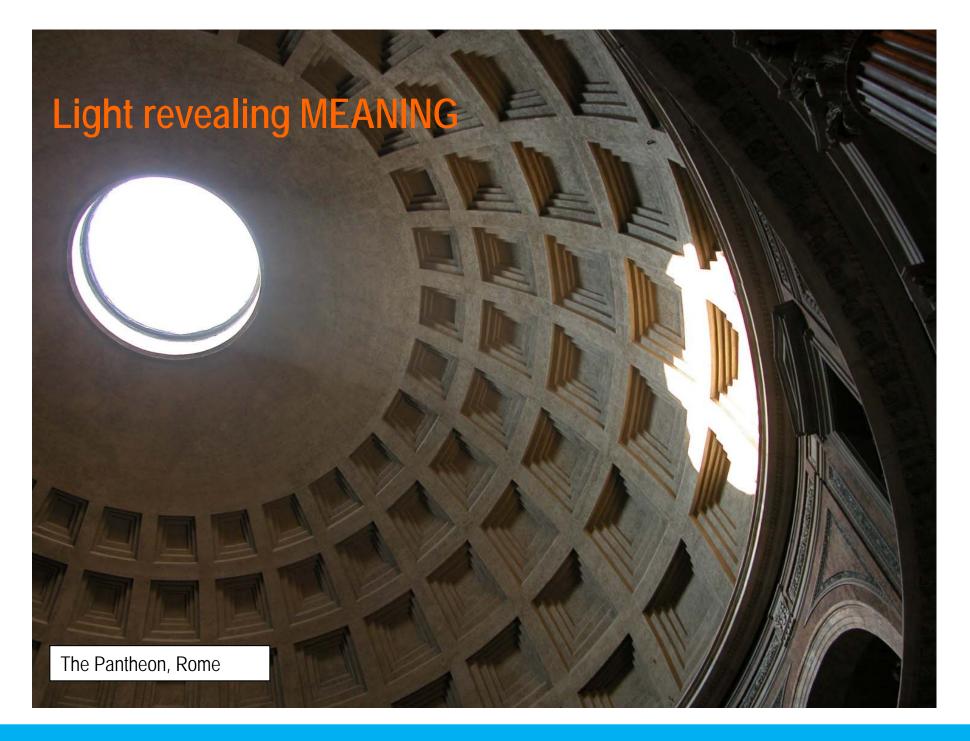
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#### Measurable Photometric Quantities

When attempting to measure or quantify light, obviously the fewer the number of different units the better.

For example, there is only one SI unit for distance (the metre) and one for mass (the kilogram).

Light, however, is a little more complex as it actually goes through a number of stages during the course of any measurement

production (making), transmission (sending), incidence (hitting) and reflection (bouncing)

Each stage is a different quantity with a different set of units by which it is measured.

Measurable Photometric Quantities

LUMINANCE (production/reflection): The luminous intensity (photometric brightness) of a light source or reflecting surface including factors of reflection, transmission and emission. Units are candelas per sq.ft. or per sq.m.

LUMINOUS FLUX (transmission): The flow of light from a source to a receiving surface, measured in lumens.

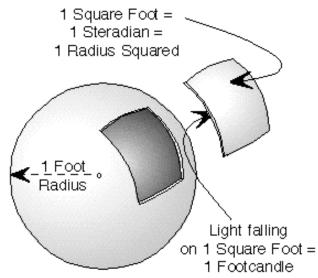
ILLUMINANCE (incidence): The measure of light intensity striking a surface. The concentration of incident luminous flux, measure in footcandles or lux.

#### Measurable Photometric Quantities

LUMEN: The basic unit in photometry, measuring the rate of light flow (luminous flux).

Each square foot (square metre) of spherical surface surrounding a one candela (candle power) light source receives one lumen of light flux. Lumen is the unit used in both Imperial and SI units. One lumen produces a 1 foot-candle (lux) illuminance.





#### Measurable Photometric Quantities

CANDELA: an SI unit of luminous intensity. An ordinary candle has a luminous intensity of one candlepower.

FOOT-CANDLE: (fc) an imperial measure of illuminance. 
The amount of direct light from one candle falling on a square foot of surface one foot away (lumens/ft2)

LUX: An SI measure of illuminance. The amount of light from one candle falling on a square metre of surface one metre away (lumens/m2).

1 lux \* 0.0929 = 1 foot-candle

1 foot-candle \* 10.764 = 1 lux

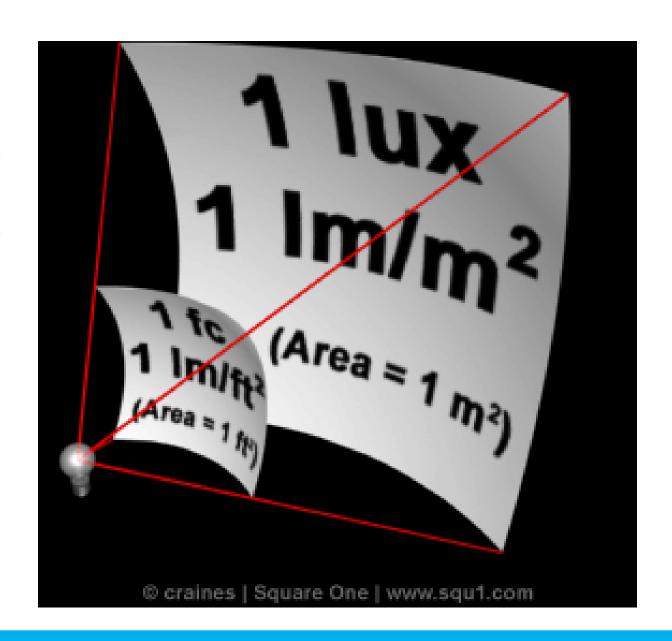
IP = Imperial

AS = American Standard

SI = System International

1 lux \* 0.0929 = 1 foot-candle

1 foot-candle \* 10.764 = 1 lux



## Design Requirements

CIE (Commission International de l'Eclairage) and IES (Illuminating Engineers Society) have published recommended lighting levels for

various tasks.

# 50 lux (4.65 footcandle)

- Car Parks
- Main Entrances and exits
- Store rooms
- Outdoor platforms
- Stables
- Hotel bedrooms
- Garages





#### 100 lux (9.29 footcandle)

- Corridors and passageways
- Stairs and escalators
- Entrance gates
- Changing rooms
- Rest rooms
- Raw material stores
- Machine rooms
- Loading bays
- Foyers
- Domestic living rooms

#### 200 Lux (18.58 footcandle)

- Lifts and lift lobbies
- Waiting rooms
- Medical stores
- Machine assembly rooms
- Finished goods stores
- Vaults and strong-rooms
- Print rooms
- Shopping centre circulation areas
- Airport lounges
- Museum areas (general)
- School assembly halls
- Lecture theatres
- •Gymnasiums
- Sports spectator areas

#### 400 Lux (37.16 footcandle)

- Enquiry desks and counters
- Food preparation areas
- Consulting and treatment rooms
- General clerical offices
- Library reading tables
- Assembly hall platforms
- Classroom white-boards
- Laboratories
- Hospital dispensing rooms
- Workshop benches



#### 600 Lux (55.74 footcandle)

- Engine testing rooms
- Cutting and assembly rooms
- Inspection and product testing benches
- Computer rooms
- Drawing board task lighting
- Food sales counters
- Cashier counters
- Supermarkets
- School art rooms
- Vision testing rooms
- Sewing rooms





#### 900 Lux (83.61 footcandle)

- Electronics assembly areas
- Instrumentation workbenches
- Supermarket displays

#### 1200+ Lux (111.48 footcandle)

- Sorting and grading areas
- Clothing inspection areas
- Hand engraving workbenches
- Jewellery workbenches
- Boxing rings



The more visual acuity required, the more light provided!

#### TABLE 12.9 GUIDELINES FOR ILLUMINATION LEVELS



| Approximate Type of Activity  | Footcandles*    |
|---|-----------------|
| General lighting throughout space     a. Public spaces with dark surroundings     b. Simple orientation for short, temporary visits     c. Working spaces where visual tasks are only occasionally performed  | 3<br>8<br>15    |
| Illumination on task     a. Performance of visual tasks of high contrast or large size     b. Performance of visual tasks of medium contrast or small size     c. Performance of visual tasks of low contrast and very small size     over a prolonged period | 30<br>75<br>150 |

<sup>\*</sup>Because of the variability of actual conditions, the final design illumination values will often be 50 percent larger or smaller than these guideline values. Precise values are not appropriate because of the large tolerance of human vision, and because the quality of the light determines whether more or less light is required. These values can be reduced by 25 percent if the quality of the lighting is very high and they should be increased 35 percent if the average age is over forty. This table is adapted from IESNA tables for recommended illumination levels.

#### Adequate lighting levels are not globally the same!

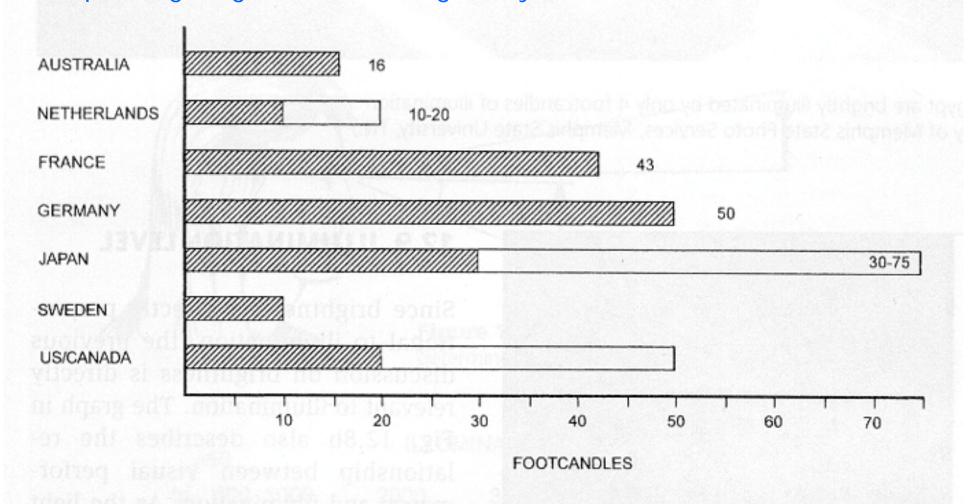


Figure 12.9 A comparison of recommended lighting levels for general office work in horizontal footcandles. Note that some countries recommend ranges instead of a specific value. (After Mills and Borg. "Rethinking Light Levels." IAEEL Newsletter, 7 (20), 4-7 (1998).)

#### **TABLE 12.5** COMMONLY EXPERIENCED BRIGHTNESS LEVELS

|        | ft.)*                     |  |   |
|--------|---------------------------|--|---|
| 0.0003 | <b>A</b>                  |  | 1 10  |
| 0.003  | 1                         | Poor vision  |   |
| 0.03   |                           |  |   |
| 0.3    |                           |  |   |
| 3      |                           | Normal indoor brightness   |   |
| 30     | -                         | anuonn brighings.  | Alle.   |
| 300    | to hole of                | Normal outdoor brightness  |   |
| 3,000  |                           | and the property of the state o | Mile  |
| 0,000  | ٧                         | Blinding glare   |   |
|        | 0.003<br>0.03<br>0.3<br>3 | 0.003<br>0.03<br>0.3<br>3<br>30<br>300<br>3,000  | 0.003<br>0.03<br>0.3<br>3<br>Normal indoor brightness  Normal outdoor brightness  Normal outdoor brightness |

<sup>\*</sup>For S.I., (cd/sq. m.) ≈ (cd/sq. ft.) × 11

LUMINANCE (production/reflection): The luminous intensity (photometric brightness) of a light source or reflecting surface including factors of reflection, transmission and emission. Units are candelas per sq.ft. or per sq.m.

## Design Sky Values

Design Sky values are derived from a statistical analysis of outdoor illuminance levels. They represent a horizontal illuminance level that is exceeded 85% of the time between the hours of 9am and 5pm throughout the working year. Thus they also represent a worst-case scenario that you can design to and be sure your building will meet the desired light levels at least 85% of the time.

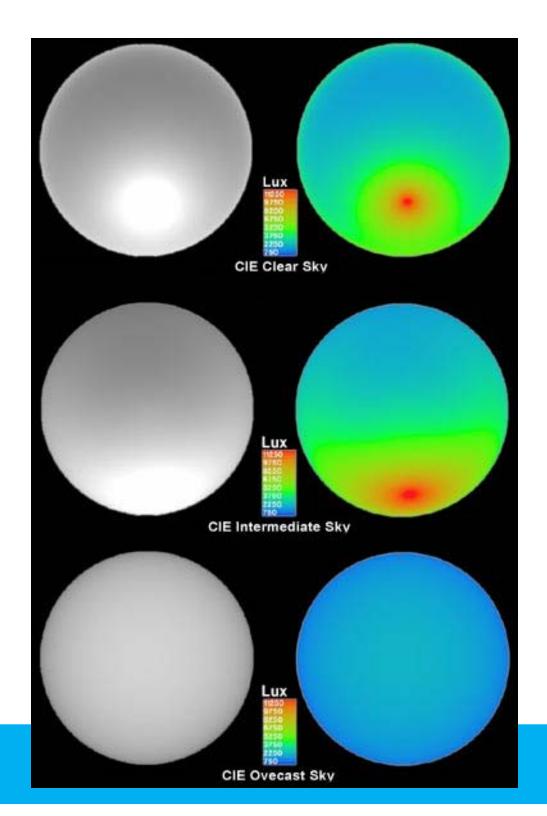


## Sky Types

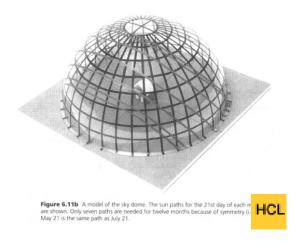


Examples of different sky distributions: These images are the result of taking photographs using a fish-eye lens. Such images capture the full hemisphere of the sky, with the horizon around the perimeter and the zenith in the centre.

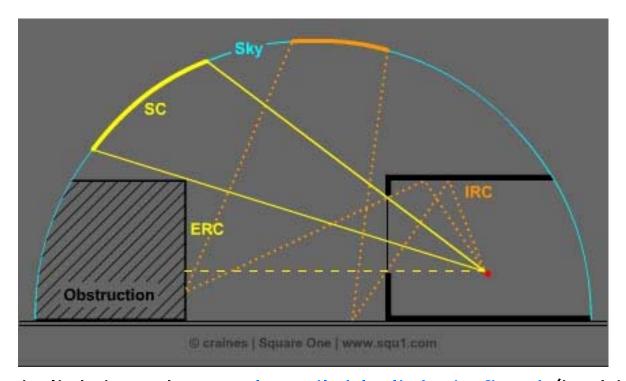
The different basic sky types, clear, uniform and overcast, as defined by the CIE (Commission International de l'Eclairage) give varying amounts of light for use in daylighting the building. Local climate must be considered when designing for daylight.



The "sky dome" for the location must also be considered when designing for daylighting. Local obstructions to the sky dome will affect the amount and quality of light received.





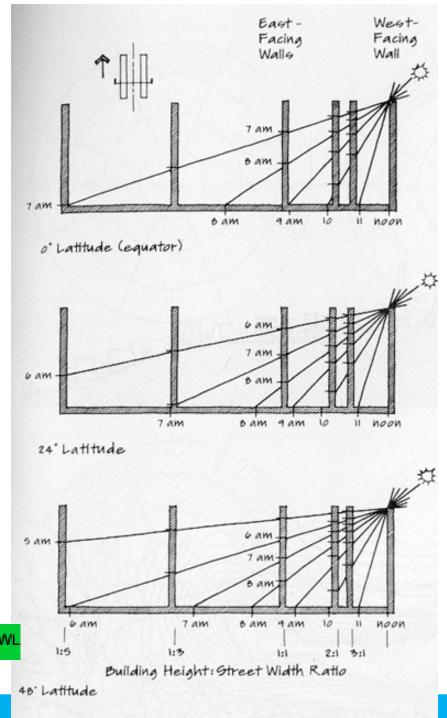


Unlike electric lighting, the total available light is fixed (in this case the worst-case Design Sky Illuminance), thus control over the amount of light is possible only by changing the means of transmission into the space through its apertures, and then to points deeper within the space by its distribution system. This means that architectural elements such as windows, skylights, lightshelves and even the reflectivity of internal surfaces are very important factors in daylighting design. So too are external elements such as site obstructions and applied shading devices.

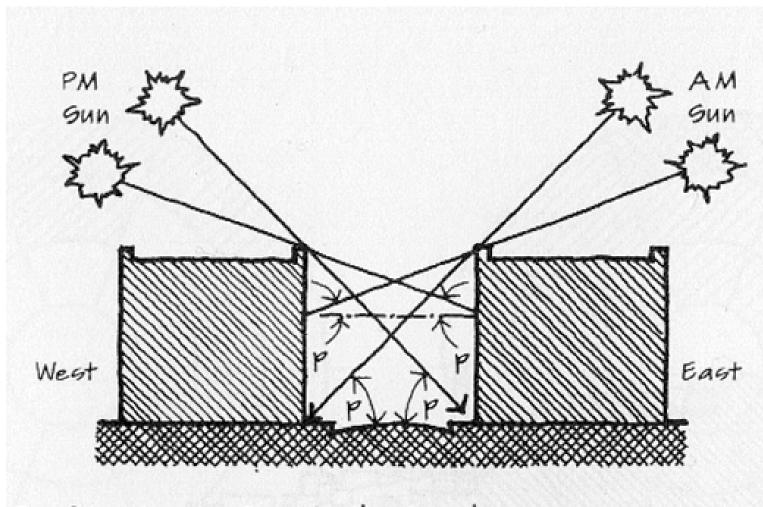
Building spacing and orientation will also need to be factored in when determining the amount of available light or sunlight for the building on its various sides.



North-south canyon in housing development at Yonge and 401, Toronto

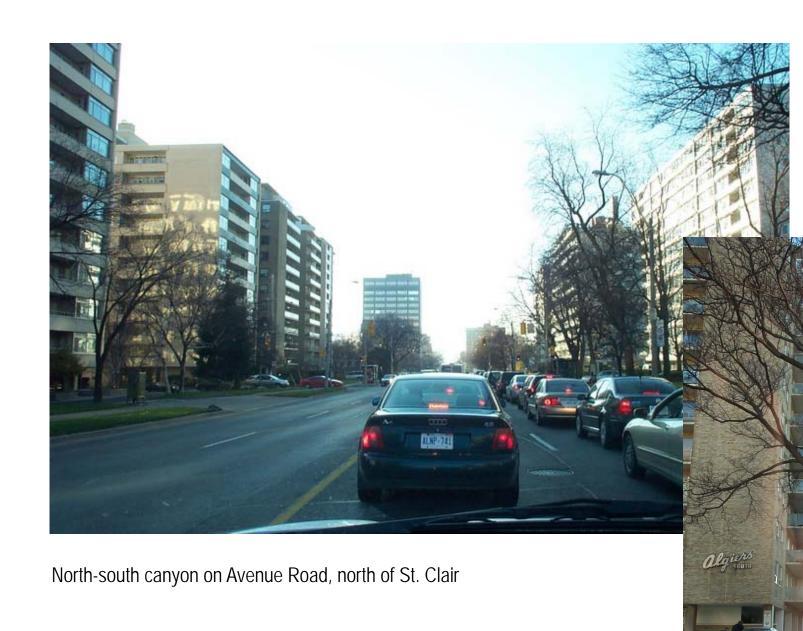


Impact of Cross-Section on Shading Patterns, North-South Canyons on Jun 21



Profile Angle for North-South Canyons





Looking due east between two tall apartment buildings. Daylight is limited in this direction as well.

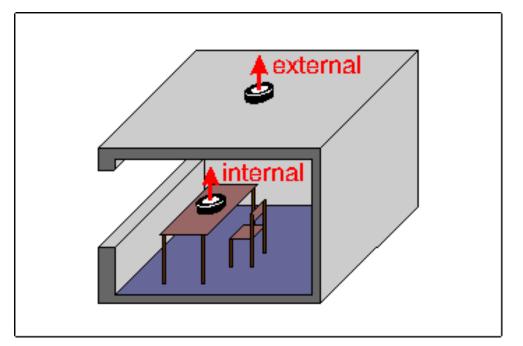
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## Daylight Factor

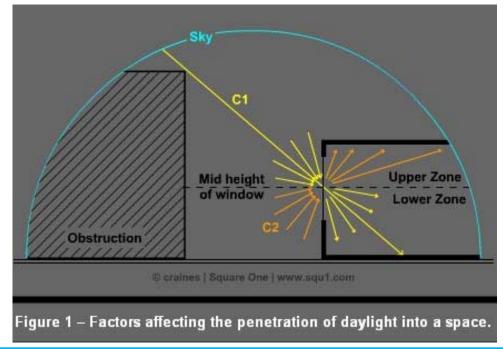
The daylight factor (DF) is a very common and easy to understand measure for expressing the daylight availability in a room under the same sky conditions.

It describes the ratio of outside illuminance over inside illuminance, expressed in per cent. The higher the DF the more natural light is available in the room.

Range is usually 0 - 100%, but for most rooms is usually 1 - 10%.



The definition of a daylight factor



## Daylight Factor



2% average daylight factor

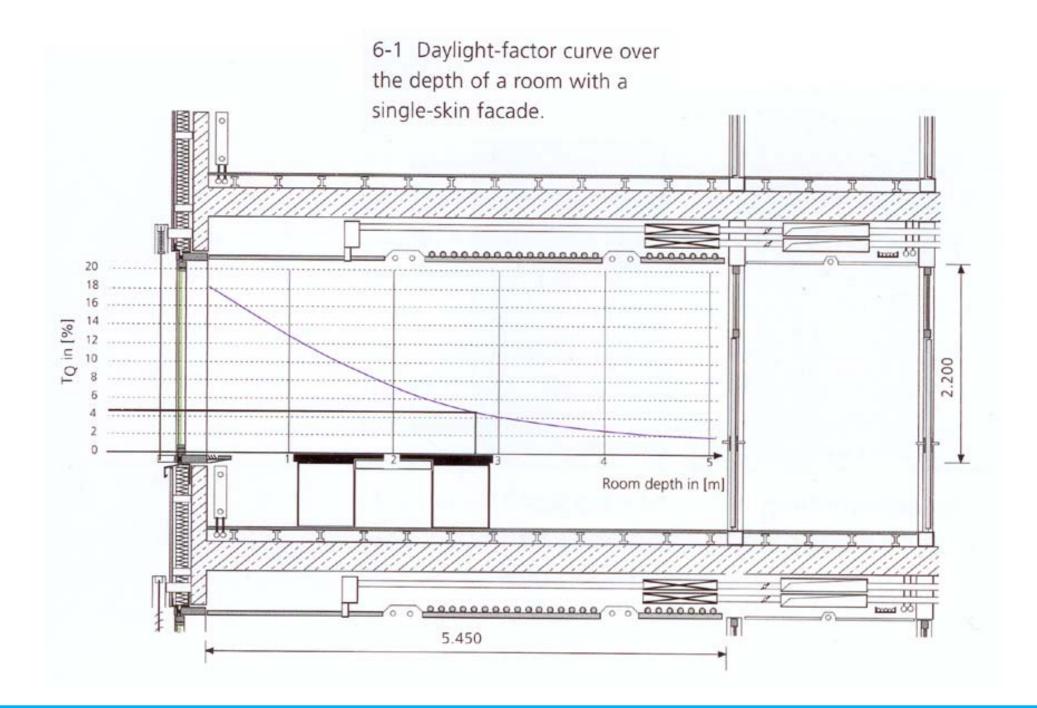


5% average daylight factor

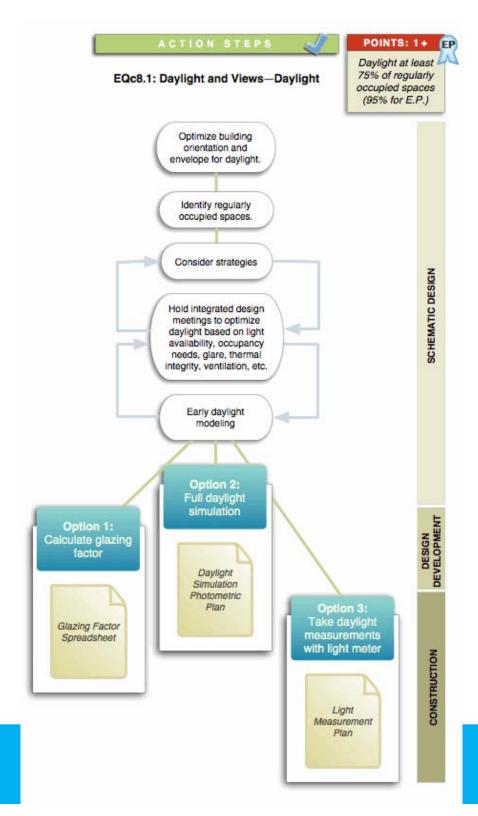
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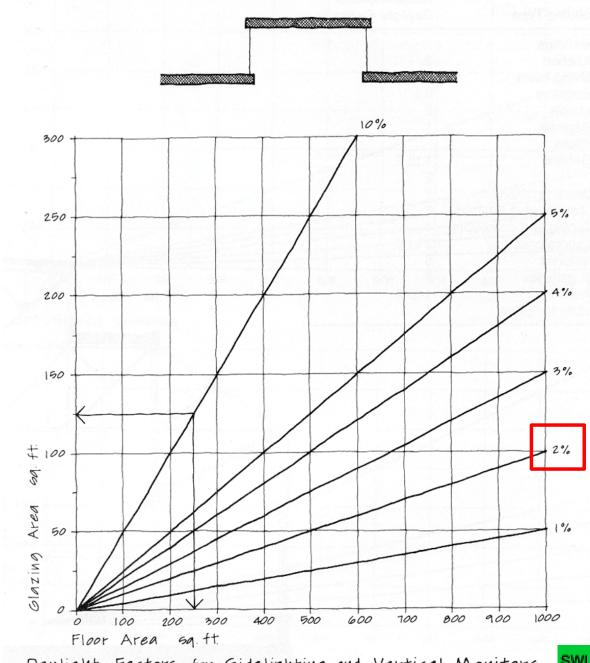
| Building Type        | Recommended<br>Daylight Factor % |  |
|----------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Dwellings            | distance the law law             |  |
| Kitchen              | 2                                |  |
| Living room          | 1                                |  |
| Bedroom              | 0.5                              |  |
| Schools              | 2                                |  |
| Hospitals            | 1                                |  |
| Offices              |                                  |  |
| General              | 1 to 2                           |  |
|                      | 2                                |  |
| Drawing offices      | 2                                |  |
| (on drawing boards)  | 6                                |  |
| Typing and computing | 4                                |  |
| Laboratories         | 3 to 6                           |  |
| Factories            | 5                                |  |
| Art galleries        | 6                                |  |
| Churches             | 1 to 2                           |  |
| Public buildings     | 1                                |  |

Note: LEED daylighting credits are tied to DF!

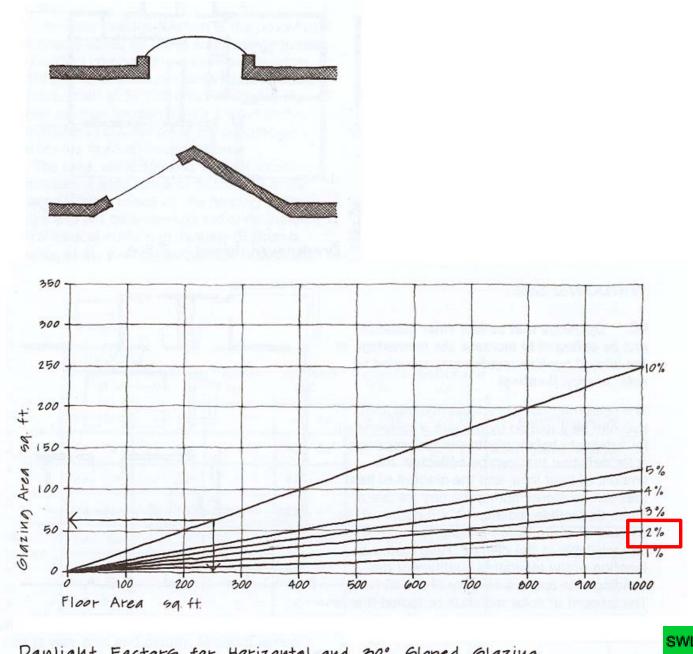


LEED requires a minimum Daylight Factor of 2% to qualify for any credits



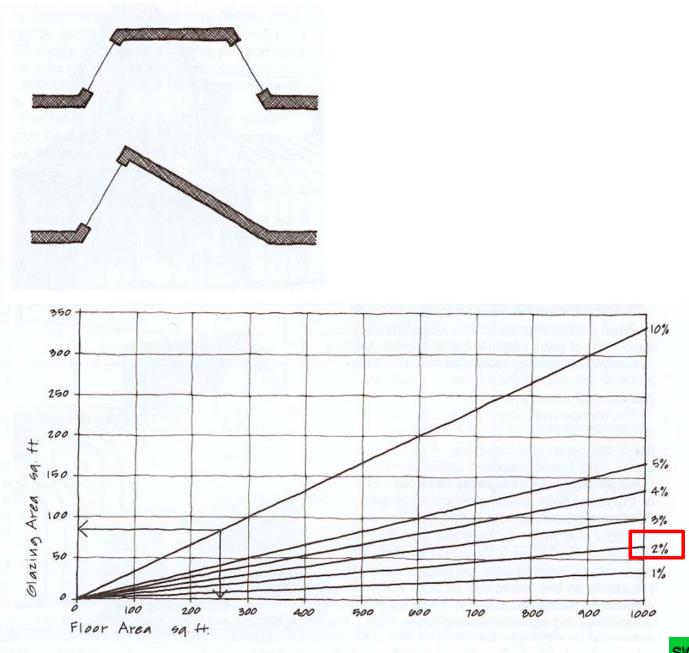


Daylight Factors for Sidelighting and Vertical Monitors



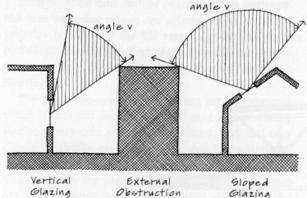
Daylight Factors for Horizontal and 30° Sloped Glazing





Daylight Factors for 60° Sloped Roof and Monitor Glazing

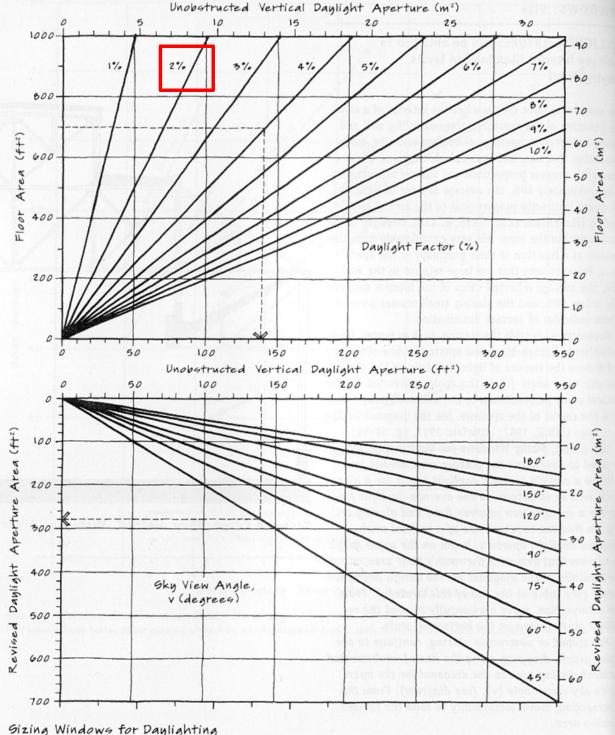




Sky View Angle (v) From Glazing

The graph assumes a 60% transmissivity for clear double glazing plus frame effects, a maintenance factor of 80%, an average room reflectance of 40%, and a fairly large room, about the size of a classroom. It was developed using a model from Littlefair (1988). If other glazing and frame types with poorer visible light transmission are used (Strategy 101), the glazing area will need to be increased proportionally. Because room size and proportions affect the pattern of internal reflections, light in small rooms is reflected more times before reaching the work plane than light in large rooms. For small rooms, such as bedrooms and private offices, increase the glazing size from the graph by up to 60%. For very large rooms, such as a gymnasium, reduce the glazing size by up to 30%.

For sidelighting, the daylight factors apply to a floor zone with a maximum depth into the room of 2.5 times the height of the window wall (Strategy 71). For toplighting, the floor area associated with the glazing can be estimated by projecting 45° lines from the opening to the floor. If more than one opening type is used for the same area, the daylight factors may be added. An example of using more than one opening type is Albert Kahn's use of sidelighting and monitors in the **Packard Forge Shop** in Detroit, Michigan (Hildebrand, 1974, p. 57).



#### Reflectance of Materials + Colours

| Surface  | Recommended Reflectance (%) |
|----------|-----------------------------|
| Ceilings | 70-80                       |
| Walls    | 40-80                       |
| Floors   | 20-40                       |

#### Recommended Finish Reflectances



| 80-90 |  |  |
|-------|--|--|
| 80    |  |  |
| 70    |  |  |
| 70-75 |  |  |
| 35    |  |  |
| 25    |  |  |
| 20-30 |  |  |
| 10    |  |  |
|       |  |  |

Daylight Reflectance of Colors



| Reflector Finish                | Reflectance (%) |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Concrete                        | 30-50           |
| Old snow                        | 40-70           |
| New snow                        | 80-90           |
| Polished aluminum               | 75-95           |
| Aliminized mylar                | 60-80           |
| Polished stainless steel        | 60-80           |
| White porcelain enamel          | 70-77           |
| Acrylic with aluminized backing | 85              |
| Aluminum foil                   | 86              |
| Electroplated Silver, new       | 96              |



Not only the material, but also the texture of the finish affects reflectance.

Solar Reflectance of Finishes



## Window Types + Light Distribution

Window

Windows both sides





Lightshelf

For distribution concerns think of bright vs. dark spots as well as room use. These images are for overcast bright sky conditions

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Skylight



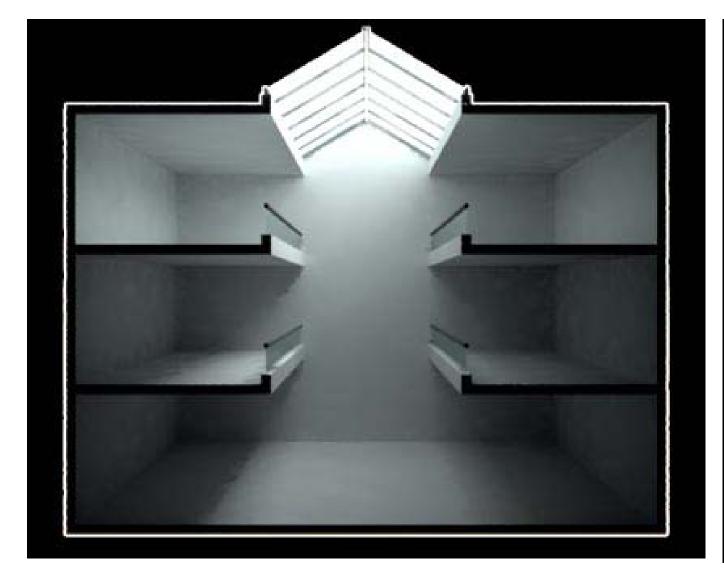
Roof monitor



Sawtooth

For distribution concerns think of bright vs. dark spots as well as room use. These images are for overcast bright sky conditions – so no sharp shadows...

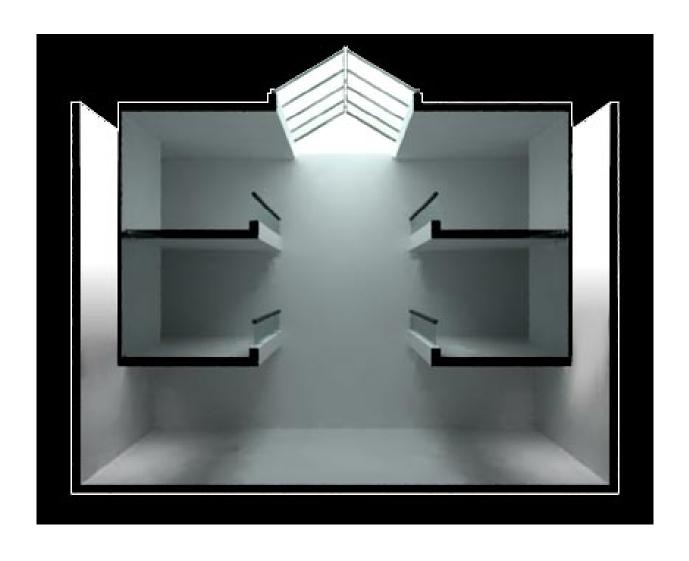
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Spaces nearer the top floor are appreciably brighter. More supplementary light is needed on the lower floors.

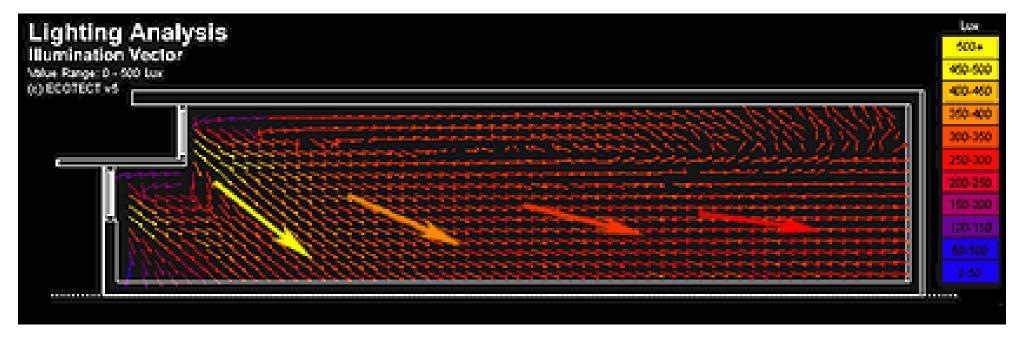
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Lightwell – provides more light directed to the lower floors





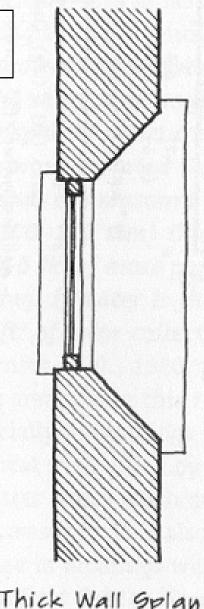
Cross section from ECOTECT showing how illumination vectors become more horizontal as sidelight travels deeper into a space.

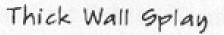
Light intensity and distribution within the space must also be addressed as light is not uniform. This affects USE placement as well as supplementary and TASK lighting.

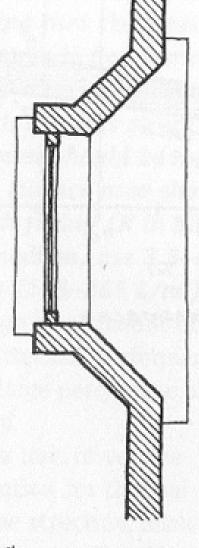
# **Designing Openings**



This splayed opening distributes light more widely than a deep cut would.







Thin Wall Splay

Splayed Window Jamb Options



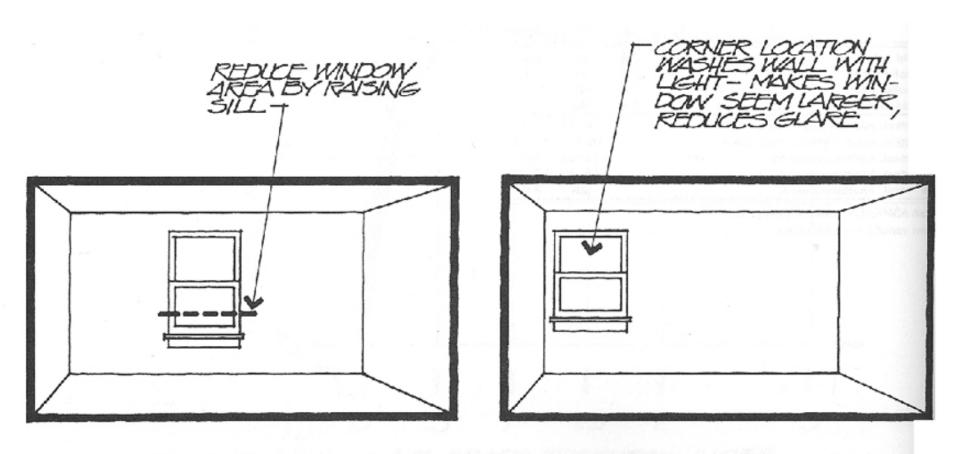


FIG. 40b. When windows must be placed in north, west and east walls, keep the opening small, and use internal placement to best advantage.

# TABLE 21a Suggested room orientations

|                    | N      | NE | E | SE | S | SW          | W | NW |
|--------------------|--------|----|---|----|---|-------------|---|----|
| Bedroom*           | •      |    |   | •  | • | Angel Royal |   |    |
| Bath*              | •      |    |   | •  | • |             |   |    |
| Kitchen            |        |    |   |    |   |             |   |    |
| Dining             |        |    |   | •  |   |             |   |    |
| Living             |        |    |   |    |   |             |   |    |
| Family             |        |    |   | •  |   |             |   |    |
| Utility / Laundry* | •      |    |   |    |   |             |   |    |
| Workshop*          | •      | •  |   |    |   |             |   |    |
| Storage*           |        |    |   |    |   |             |   |    |
| Garage*            | •      |    |   |    |   |             | • |    |
| Sun porch          |        |    |   |    | • |             | - | -  |
| Outdoor space*     | Tabu 7 |    | • | •  | • | •           |   |    |

<sup>\*</sup>The most suitable location of those indicated will depend on local climate — whether largely too hot or too cold, direction of winter winds and summer breezes, etc.

Also a function of relationship to equator and personal preferences.

#### Visual Comfort

- •Visual comfort is taken to mean the absence of physiological pain, irritation or distraction.
- •Visual comfort within a space depends on the contrast levels and luminance variations across the space. Glare is one of the most common causes of visual discomfort and can result in the occupant having to interact with the lighting system.
- •Occupant interaction with lighting and lighting control systems can significantly impact the energy use patterns of spaces.
- •If issues of glare and visual discomfort are understood during the initial design process, they could be designed for and hence affect predicted energy requirements.

#### The Problem of Glare

#### Types of Glare Affecting Visual Comfort:

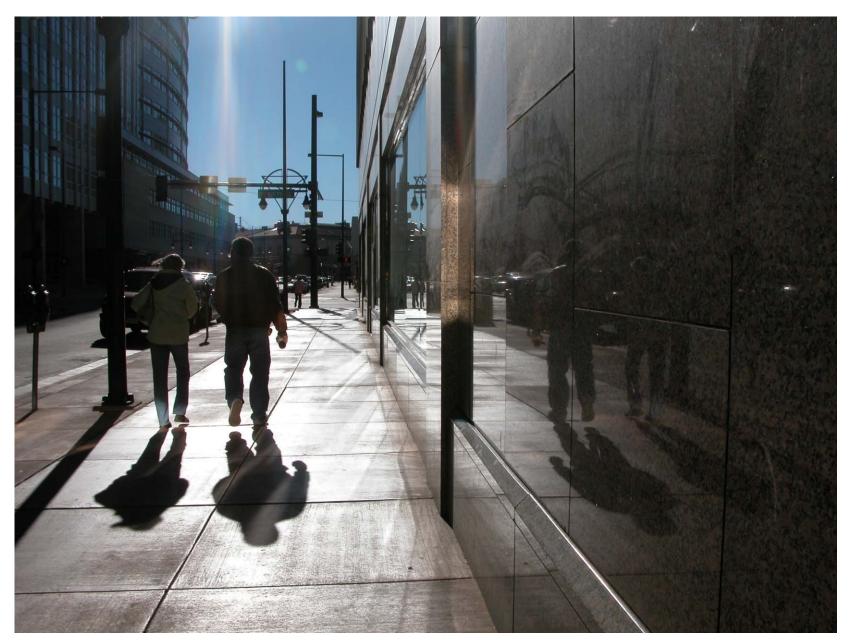
There are two main types of glare.

- 1. The first occurs when the eye has adapted to an environment over time and the environment undergoes rapid change.
- 2. The other occurs when the eye has adapted to an environment and a source of light appears that is much brighter than anything else around it.



Disability Glare: This is glare which results in a direct reduction in the person's ability to see objects in the field of view. Brilliant light sources, like car headlamps at night, or the view of the sun from a window at the end of a corridor are examples of this sort of discomfort.

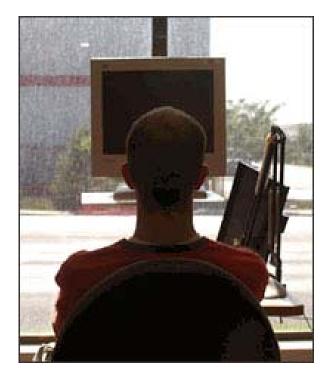




Glare in this instance is also exacerbated by the reflective nature of the sidewalk and curtain wall finishes.

Discomfort Glare: Glare in which there is no significant reduction in the ability to see, although discomfort still persists, due to the bright sources in the field of view is called discomfort glare. e.g. the view of an excessively bright sky near the line of sight of the worker. It might be necessary for the occupant to shade one's eyes with a hand to

reduce discomfort.

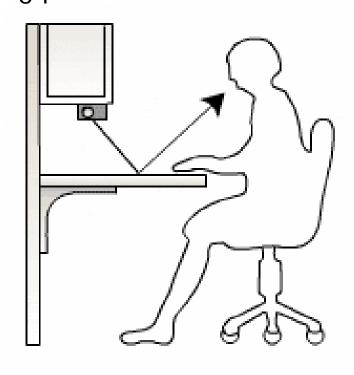


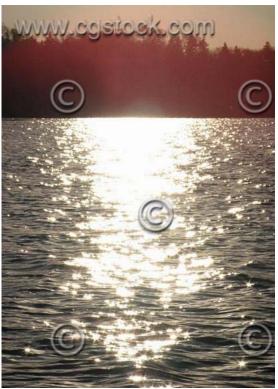
Veiling Reflections: Veiling reflections are caused when the reflected image of a source of light is brighter than the luminance of the task, e.g. the image of a window or luminaire off the surface of a computer screen. Pencil handwriting where the graphite acts as a mirror is more susceptible to veiling reflections than other types of ink.



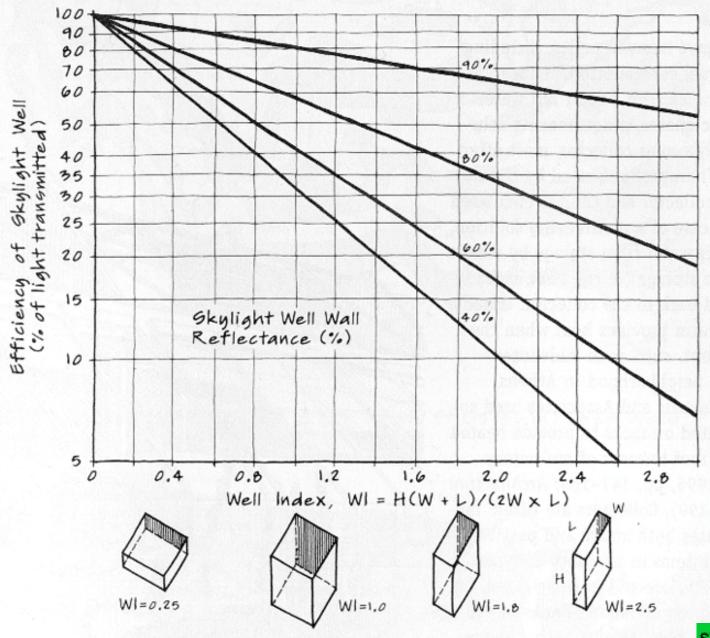


Reflected Glare: When light from a light source is reflected off specular surfaces into the eye or field of view, it is called reflected glare. An example would be the discomfort produced by the sun's reflection from a swimming pool.



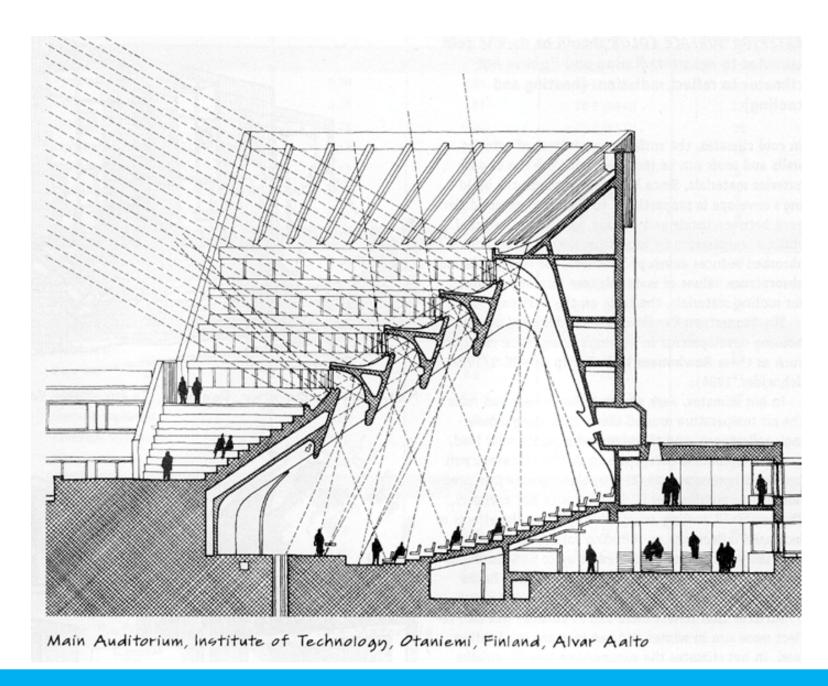


# Lightwells and Atriums



Sizing and Shaping Light Wells to Transmit Light Efficiently





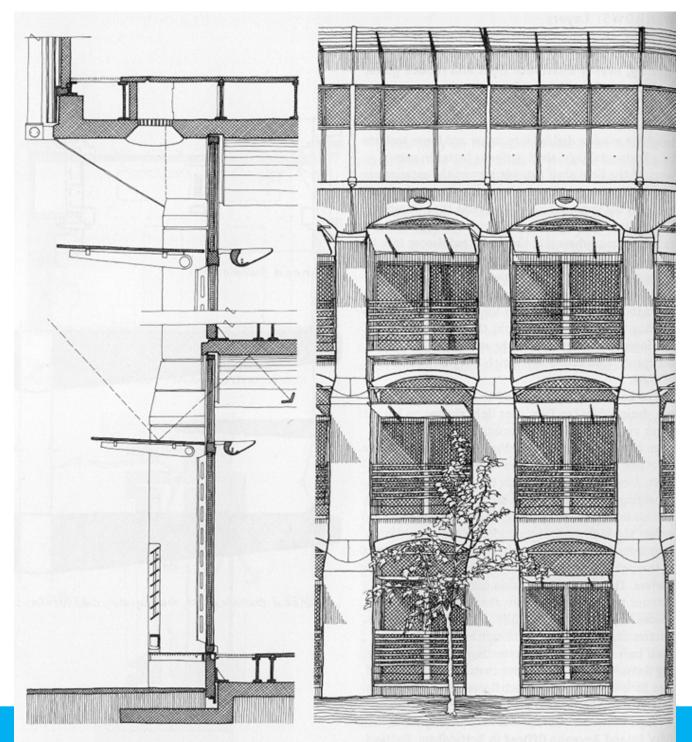


# Lightshelves

External light shelves shade windows below, minimizing glare and heat gain while reflecting diffused light into the building through glazing above.

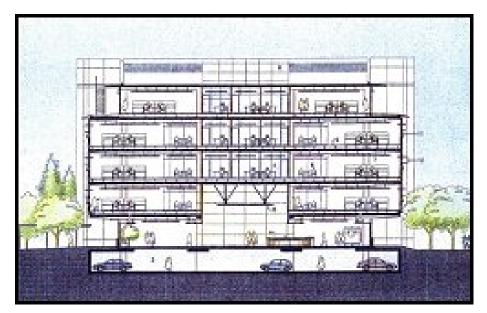


Daylighting provides most of the ambient lighting in the building. Tall windows on the long south side, combined with interior light shelves, allow daylight to penetrate deep into the open office space.



SWL

Inland Revenue Offices, Nottingham, England, Michael Hopkins & Partners





Revenue Canada, Surrey, B.C.



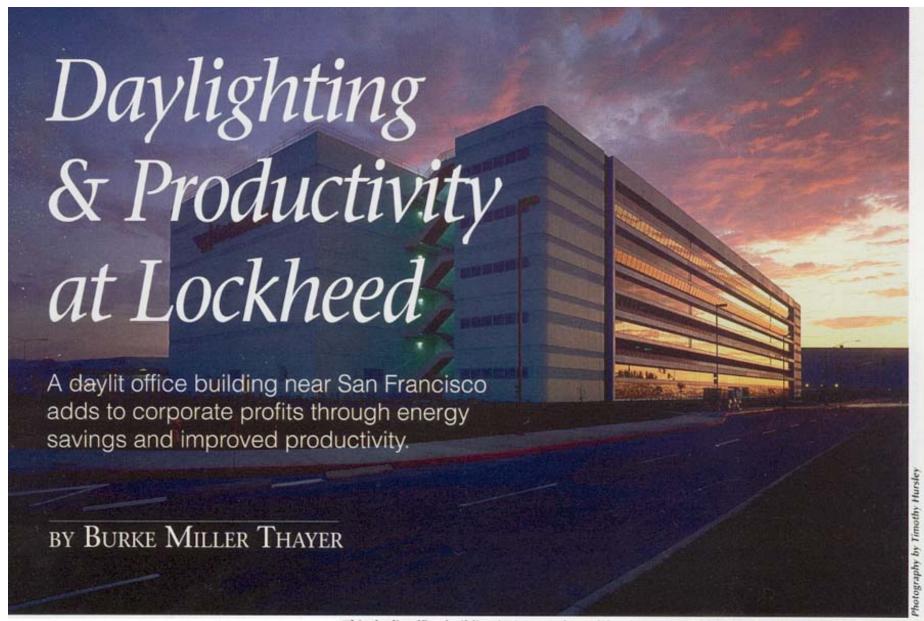
## BC. Gas (Terasen), Surrey, BC



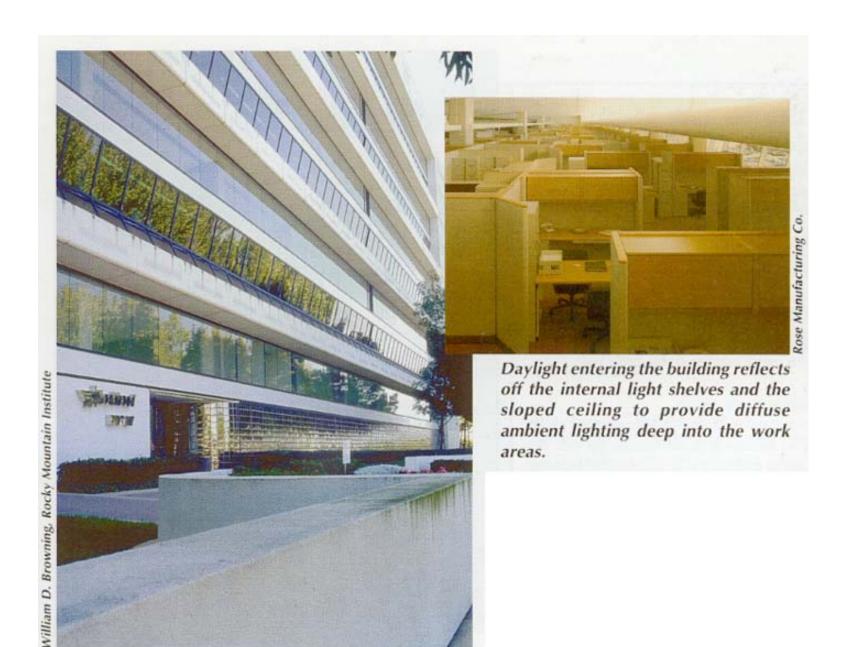
Light shelf designed for BC Gas Operations Centre in Surrey BC.







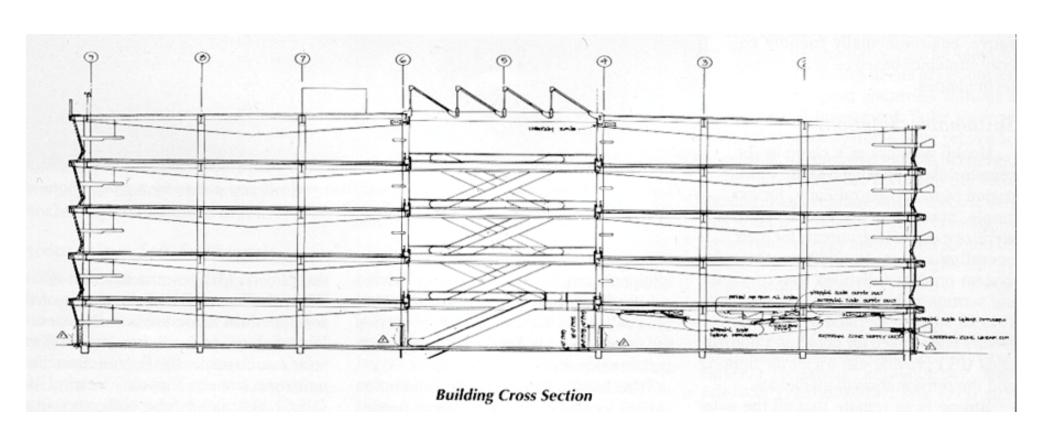
This daylit office building in Sunnyvale, California saves Lockheed Martin about \$500,000 each year in energy bills. Higher employee productivity in the building, due largely to the daylighting design, saves even more.

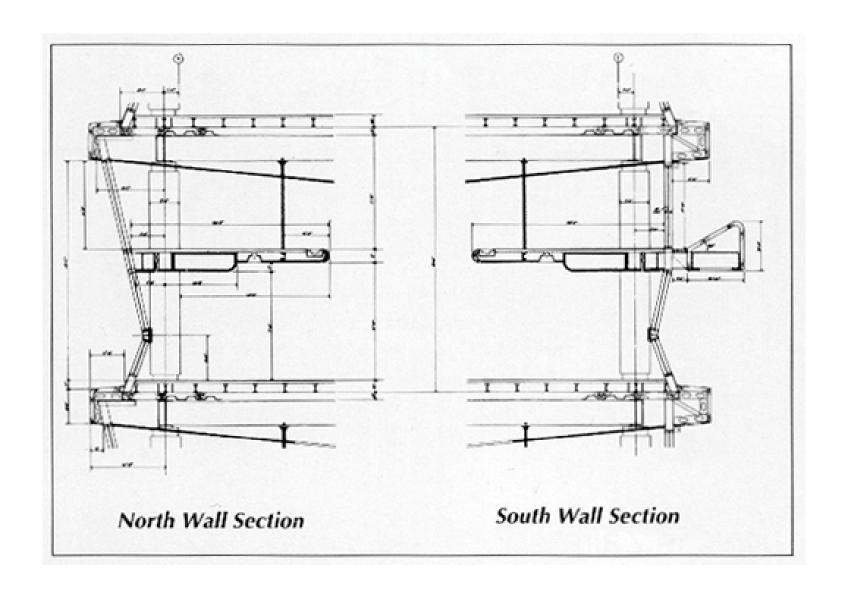


High windows above the light shelves allow deep daylight penetration.

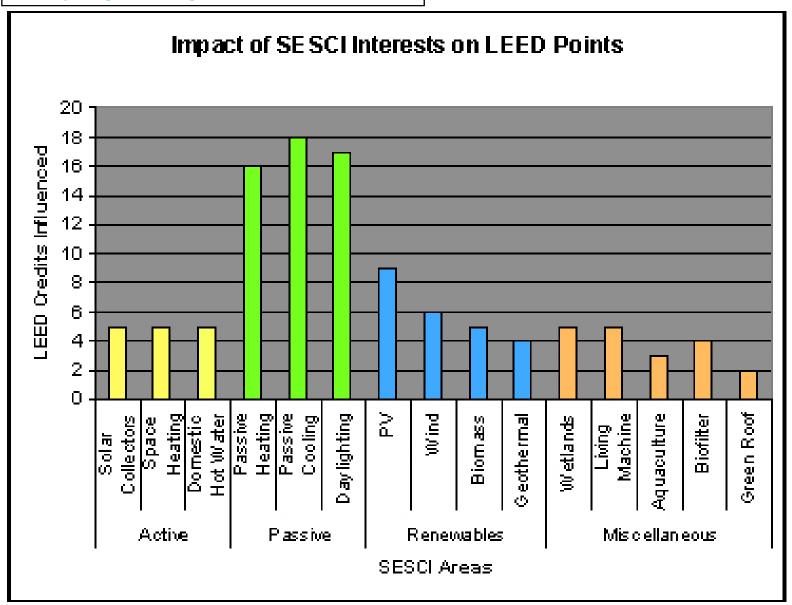


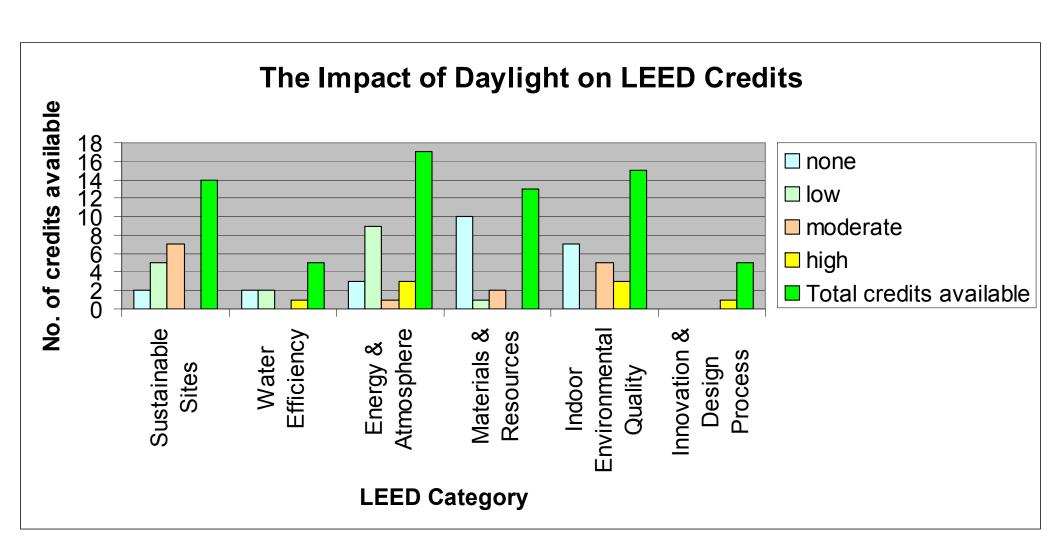
The "litetrium" in the center of the building creates an open, expansive feeling. Daylight from overhead provides ambient lighting for the surrounding office areas.





## Daylighting and LEED





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#### EMERGENT THRESHOLD

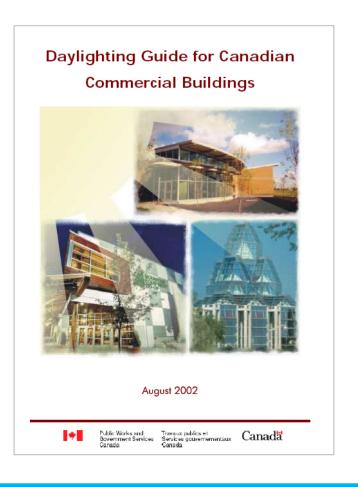
DAYLIGHT MODELING FOR SUSTAINABLE DESIGN

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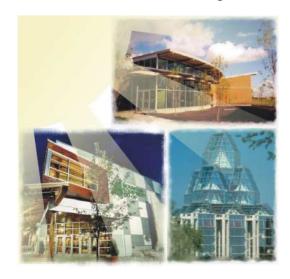




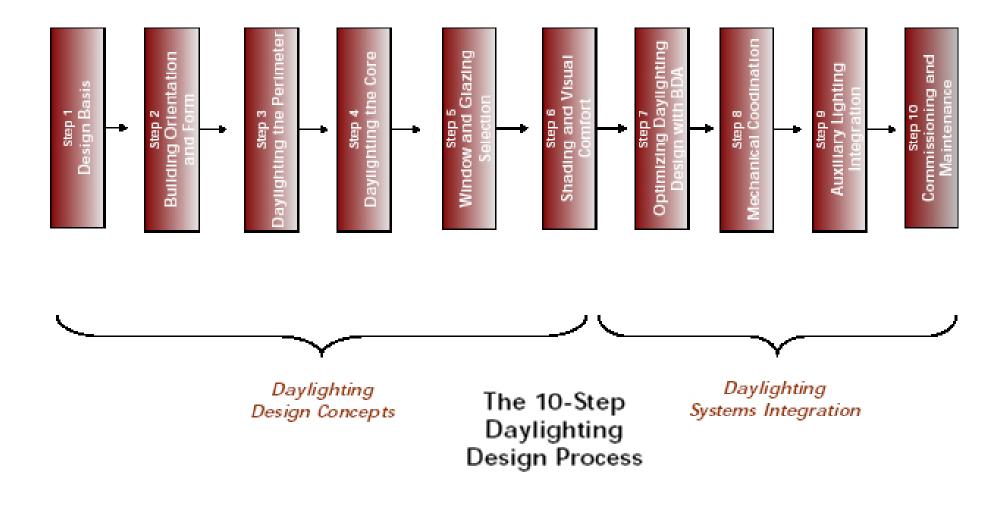
### Daylighting – A Canadian Perspective

From the perspective of energy savings, environmental benefit and occupant comfort, daylighting is being increasingly studied and perfected for use in commercial and institutional buildings.

Daylighting Guide for Canadian Commercial Buildings

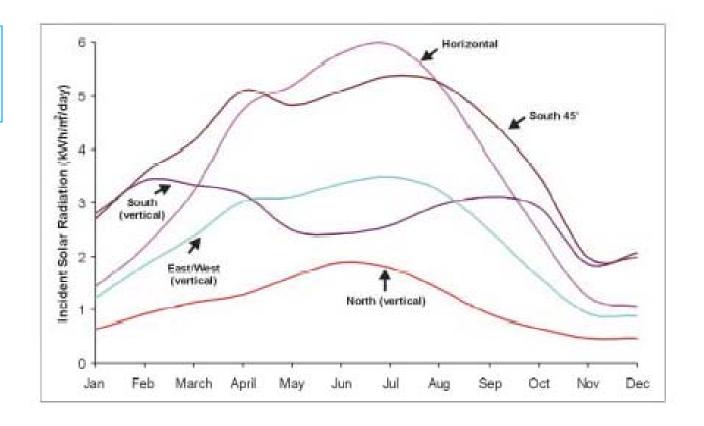


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Daylighting for Canadian Buildings divides this into a 10 step process. We will look at steps 1 to 5. We have already studied shading (#6). Steps 8 thru 10 will be addressed in your Lighting and HVAC courses.

# Daylight Availability



Average Monthly Solar Radiation for Toronto, Ontario

[Source: McKay, 1985]

It is necessary to know the potential daylighting benefit by looking up the solar radiation values for the city in question. Incoming radiation varies based upon orientation (as well as latitude and time of year/day)

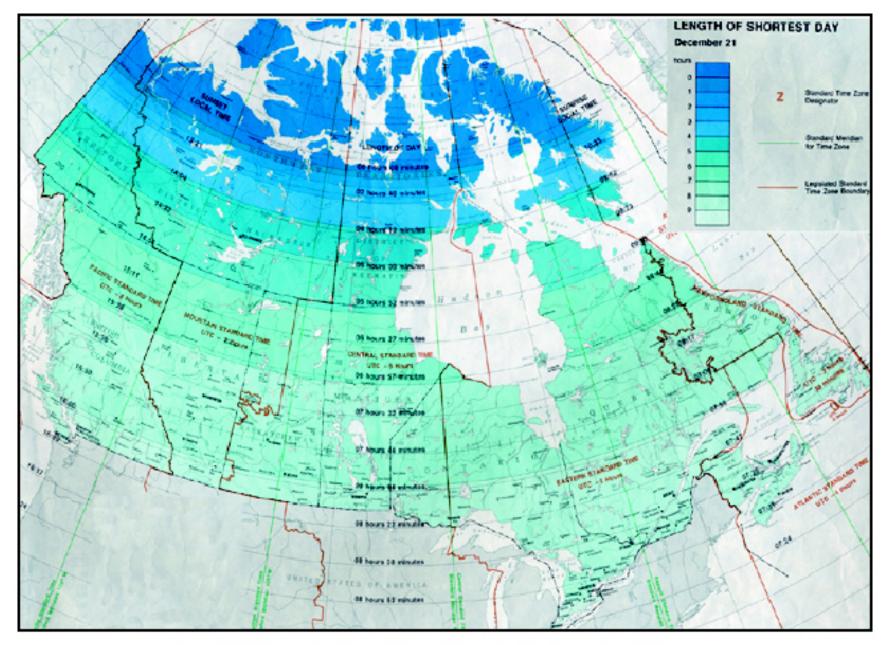


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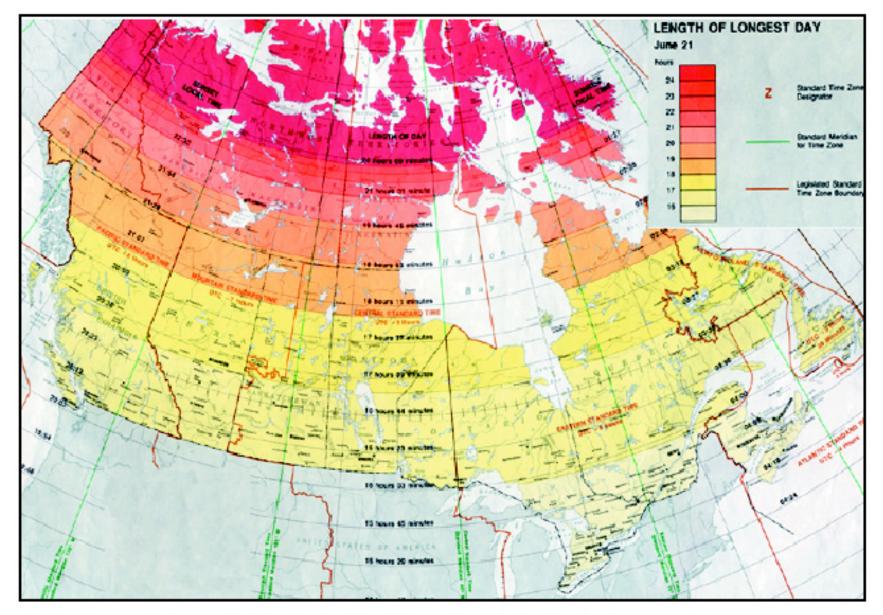


Figure 2.7b. Length of Day Map of Canada for June 21st.

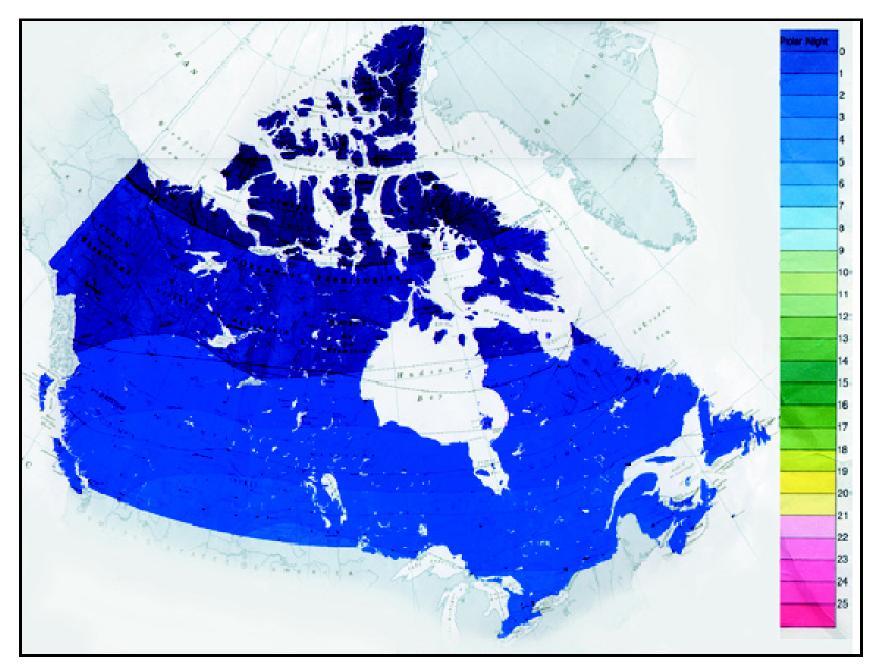


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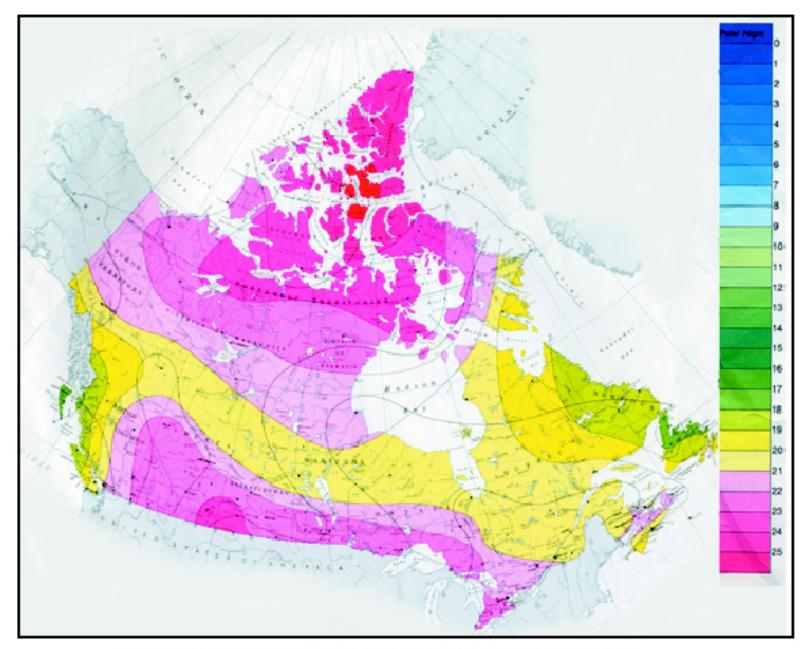


Figure 2.8b. Daily Solar Radiation Map of Canada for June 21st.

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#### **WEATHER DATA SUMMARY**

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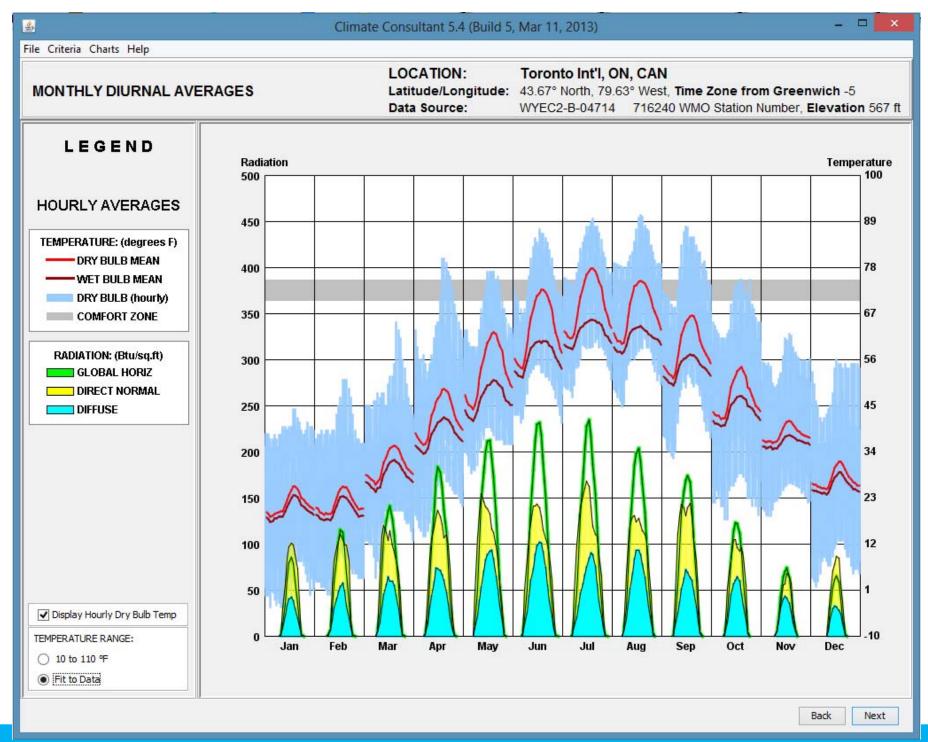
Toronto Int'I, ON, CAN

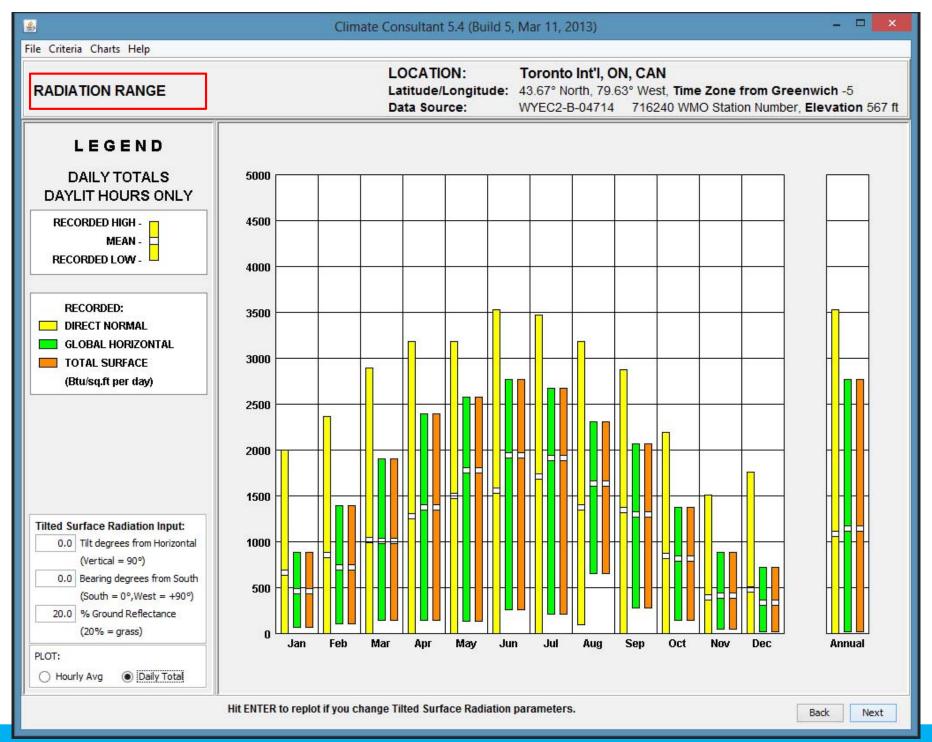
Latitude/Longitude: 43.67° North, 79.63° West, Time Zone from Greenwich -5

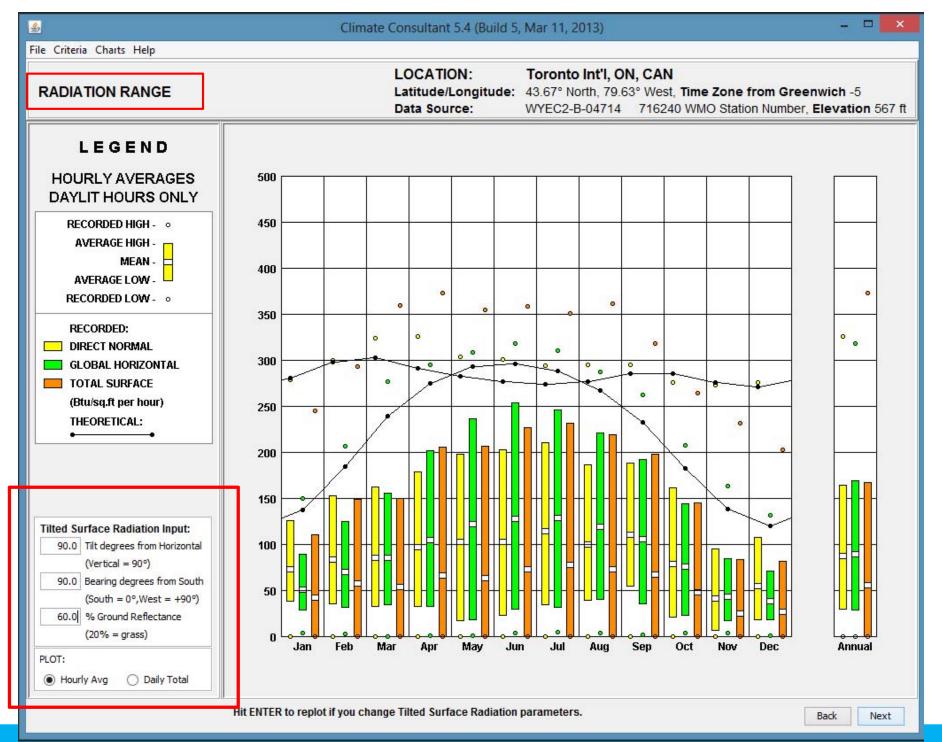
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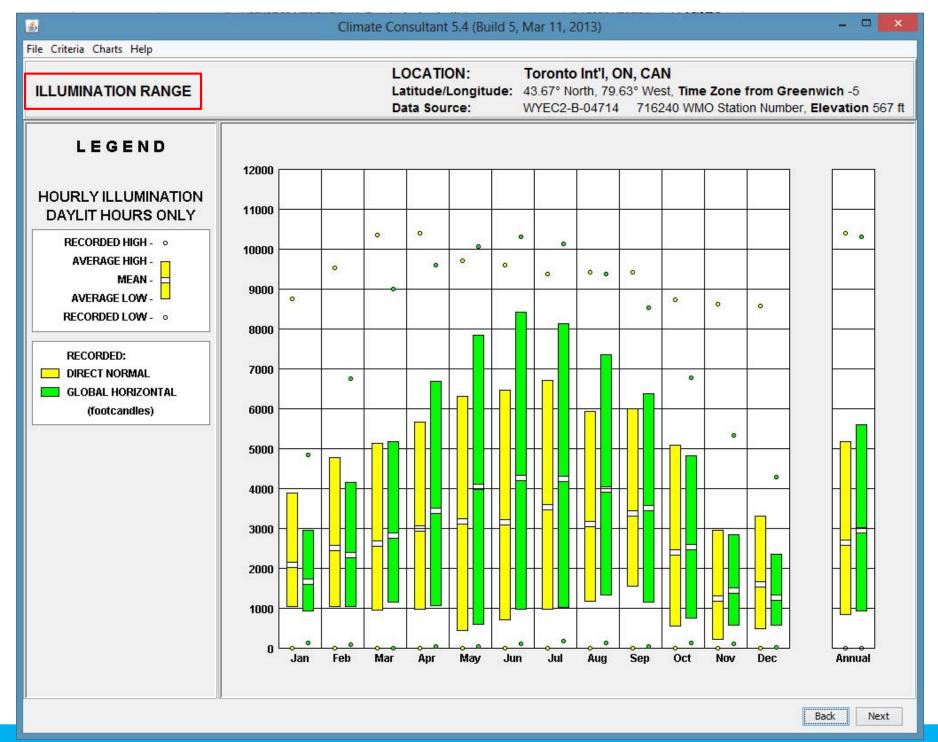
WYEC2-B-04714 716240 WMO Station Number, Elevation 567 ft

| MONTHLY MEANS                                | JAN  | FEB  | MAR  | APR  | MAY  | JUN  | JUL  | AUG  | SEP  | OCT  | NOV  | DEC  |             |
|--|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------------|
| Global Horiz Radiation (Avg Hourly)          | 51   | 70   | 85   | 104  | 121  | 128  | 128  | 119  | 105  | 75   | 43   | 38   | Btu/sq.ft   |
| Direct Normal Radiation (Avg Hourly)         | 72   | 84   | 85   | 97   | 103  | 102  | 114  | 100  | 110  | 79   | 41   | 54   | Btu/sq.ft   |
| Diffuse Radiation (Avg Hourly)               | 27   | 35   | 40   | 45   | 54   | 58   | 52   | 56   | 44   | 40   | 27   | 21   | Btu/sq.ft   |
| Global Horiz Radiation (Max Hourly)          | 150  | 206  | 277  | 295  | 308  | 317  | 310  | 287  | 262  | 207  | 163  | 132  | Btu/sq.ft   |
| Direct Normal Radiation (Max Hourly)         | 278  | 300  | 323  | 325  | 304  | 300  | 293  | 295  | 295  | 275  | 272  | 276  | Btu/sq.ft   |
| Diffuse Radiation (Max Hourly)               | 75   | 116  | 139  | 136  | 188  | 172  | 145  | 136  | 122  | 103  | 79   | 61   | Btu/sq.ft   |
| Global Horiz Radiation (Avg Daily Total)     | 465  | 717  | 1008 | 1378 | 1775 | 1945 | 1913 | 1636 | 1299 | 814  | 412  | 340  | Btu/sq.ft   |
| Direct Normal Radiation (Avg Daily Total)    | 665  | 856  | 1016 | 1281 | 1498 | 1559 | 1706 | 1374 | 1347 | 844  | 396  | 481  | Btu/sq.ft   |
| Diffuse Radiation (Avg Daily Total)          | 248  | 364  | 477  | 602  | 796  | 893  | 773  | 777  | 553  | 430  | 259  | 187  | Btu/sq.ft   |
| Global Horiz Illumination (Avg Hourly)       | 1676 | 2322 | 2824 | 3453 | 4045 | 4258 | 4254 | 3967 | 3500 | 2524 | 1446 | 1271 | footcandles |
| Direct Normal Illumination (Avg Hourly)      | 2097 | 2510 | 2632 | 3010 | 3188 | 3165 | 3526 | 3103 | 3372 | 2391 | 1241 | 1596 | footcandles |
| Dry Bulb Temperature (Avg Monthly)           | 21   | 21   | 30   | 42   | 53   | 63   | 69   | 67   | 58   | 47   | 38   | 27   | degrees F   |
| Dew Point Temperature (Avg Monthly)          | 16   | 15   | 23   | 32   | 39   | 52   | 58   | 57   | 50   | 39   | 33   | 22   | degrees F   |
| Relative Humidity (Avg Monthly)              | 78   | 75   | 74   | 70   | 62   | 68   | 70   | 70   | 75   | 77   | 83   | 79   | percent     |
| Wind Direction (Monthly Mode)                | 250  | 270  | 270  | 90   | 340  | 0    | 330  | 340  | 330  | 250  | 250  | 250  | degrees     |
| Wind Speed (Avg Monthly)                     | 9    | 11   | 12   | 10   | 9    | 8    | 7    | 4    | 7    | 9    | 9    | 12   | mph         |
| Ground Temperature (Avg Monthly of 3 Depths) | 31   | 29   | 30   | 33   | 42   | 51   | 57   | 60   | 59   | 54   | 46   | 38   | degrees F   |

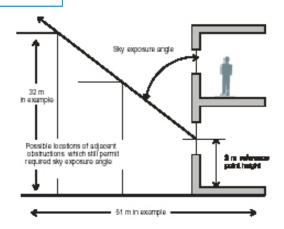








### **Building Orientation and Form**



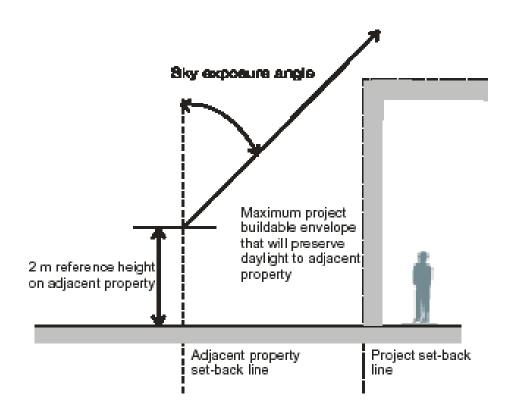
Using the Sky Angle to Determine Maximum Building Height

Sky Exposure Angle and Scale Ratio for Major Canadian Cities

| Latitude | Major Cities  | Required Sky<br>Exposure Angle | Scale Ratio |  |  |
|----------|---|--------------------------------|-------------|--|--|
| 42 - 46° | Halifax, NS<br>Toronto, ON<br>Montreal, Q                         | 59°                            | 1.69        |  |  |
| 46 - 50° | Vancouver, BC<br>Winnipeg, MN<br>St. John's, NF<br>Shawinigan, QC | 62°                            | 1.86        |  |  |
| 50 - 54° | Edmonton, AB<br>Prince George, BC<br>Sept-Iles, QC                | 64°                            | 2.08        |  |  |
| > 54°    | Churchill, MN<br>Whitehorse, YK                                   | 66°                            | 2.42        |  |  |

Consider the daylighting needs of surrounding areas. Use the required sky exposure angle to determine maximum building height that can be built, without shading nearby buildings.

$$Maximum\ Building\ Height = \frac{(Distance\ Between\ Setback\ Lines)}{Scale\ Ratio} + 2$$

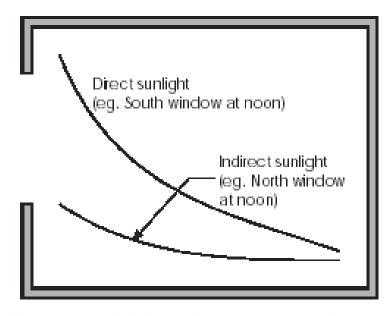


Using Scale Ratio to Determine Building Spacing

#### **Building Orientation**

Maximize southern exposure. The south facade allows the most daylight access and the best control of excess solar gain in the summer. This is the most desirable facade for daylighting and is best suited for rooms where variability in light levels is acceptable. Only marginal decreases in daylighting performance will occur for glazings facing 30° east or west of due south.

Optimize northern exposure. Although daylight exposure is less abundant on the north facade, the near-constant availability of diffuse skylight

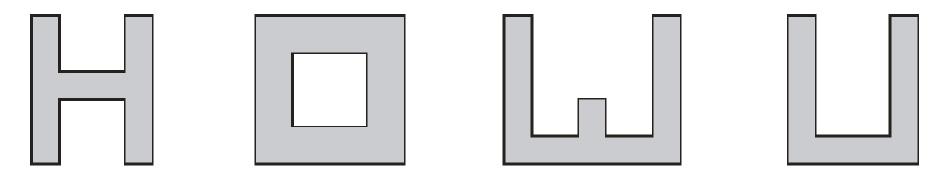


Light Distribution Throughout a Room

makes this the second most desirable orientation. For larger buildings where light uniformity and quality is key, large north-facing glazing areas can minimize electric light use.

### **Building Form**

Maximize perimeter exposure to daylight. Long and narrow footprints are better than square ones for access to daylight. Buildings can be arranged as a series of wings to minimize land requirements while still allowing access to daylight. The space between the wings should not be too narrow that they shade one another. Although square buildings have lower heating loads, daylighting the interior is difficult and the imbalance between perimeter heating loads and interior cooling loads necessitates a complex HVAC system. Multiple-storey buildings benefit the most from narrow plans that keep work areas within 10 metres of the exterior.

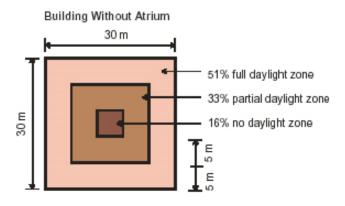


Examples of Building Footprints With High Daylight Access

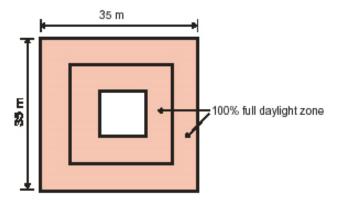
Select room depth to correspond with daylighting zone. Room depths of 1.5 times the room's window head height will allow sunlight to provide adequate illumination levels and provide for balanced light distribution. For standard office ceiling heights of 3 metres, the amount of floor space that can be daylit is approximately 4.5 metres from the window. A building width of approximately 12 metres allows all offices to have access to daylight.

#### Avoid exposed west zones for work areas.

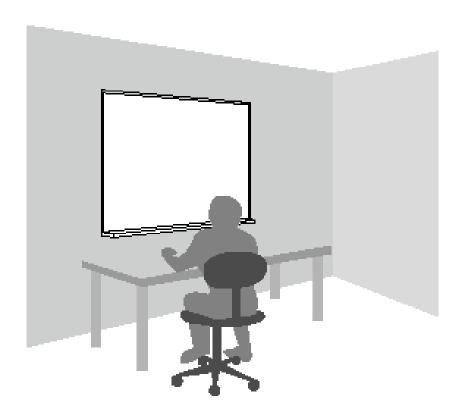
Daylight on west-facing surfaces is generally hard to control, which leads to high cooling loads as well as occupant visual discomfort from glare. The west facade is best used as



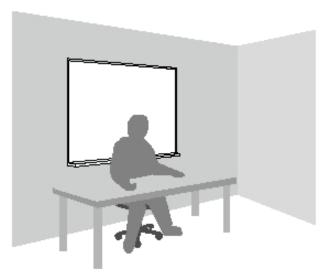




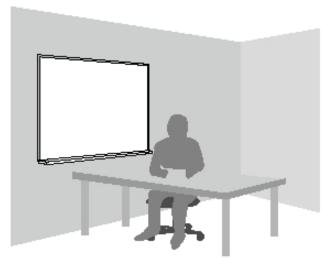
An atrium allows daylighting the core with only a modest increase in space requirements



Facing the bright window creates a harsh contrast in comparison to your relatively dark task this is very tiring for the eye to have both in the same field of view.



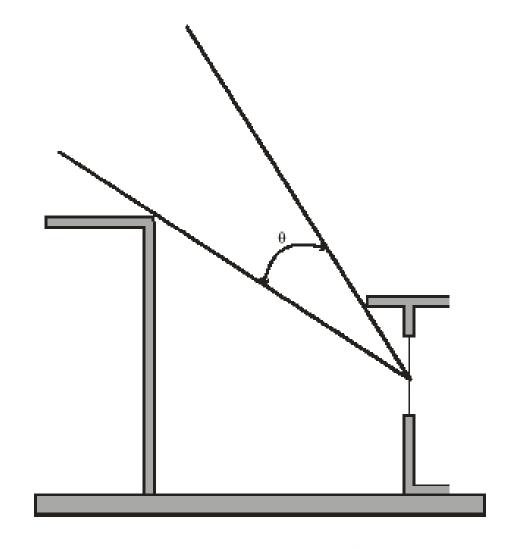
When the window is behind your back, you may shade your task and make it too dark to see easily. However, your computer screen may be difficult to see if it reflects light from the window.



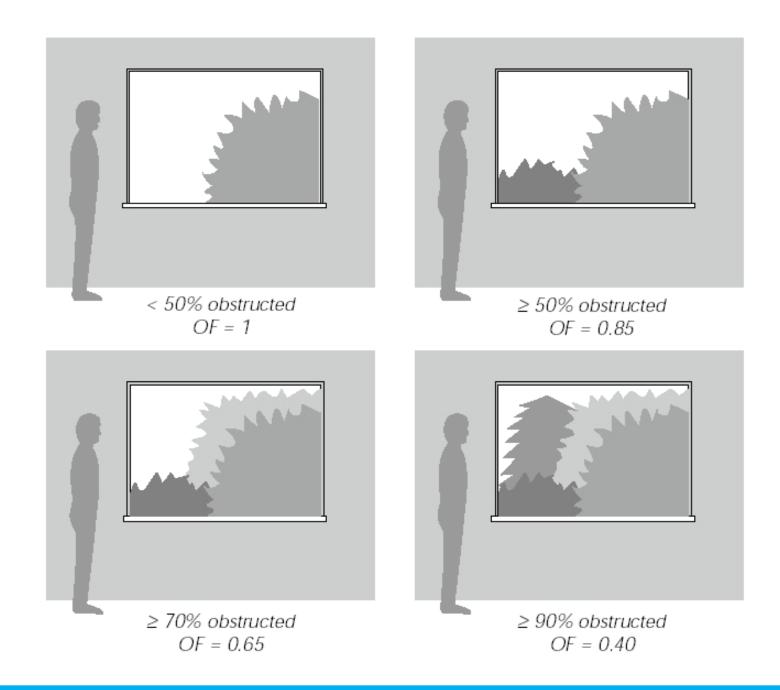
The most comfortable seating is with the window to the side—task is well illuminated and the source is not in direct line of sight.

### Daylighting the Perimeter

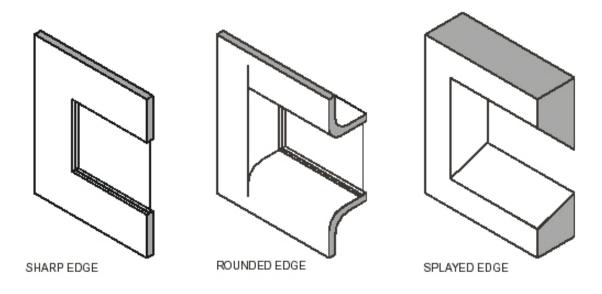
Available daylight is a function of the amount of light that accesses exterior windows. It is a function of the angle as illustrated, calculated from the centre of the window.



Sky Exposure Angle  $(\Theta)$ 

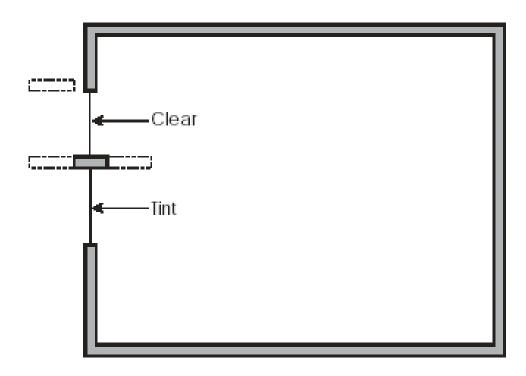


Minimize contrast between the window and the wall by splaying or rounding the inside edges of the window. Windows will create less glare if the adjacent walls are not dark relative to the window. Splaying or rounding the edges will create a light transition that is more comfortable to the eye.



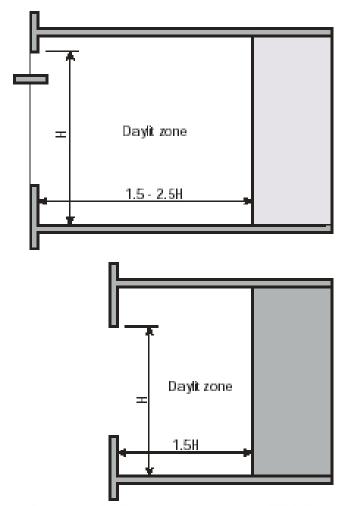
Inside Window Edges as Light Transitions

Separate the functions of window for daylight and for view.

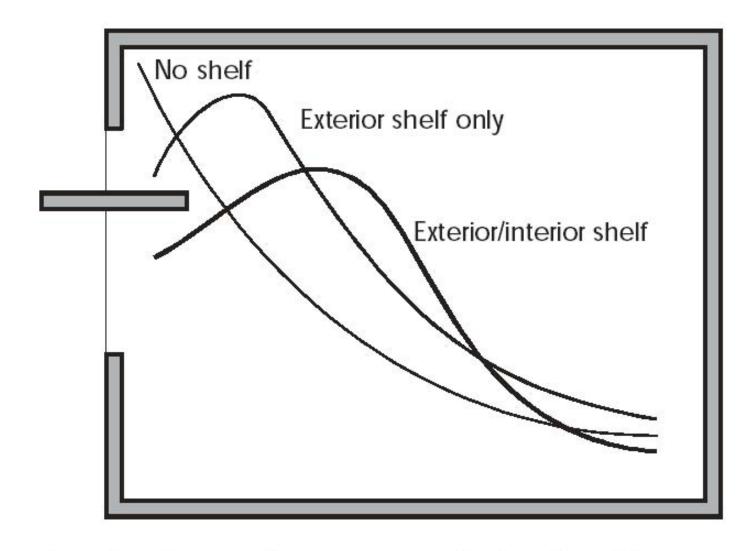


A Divided Window Provides for View and Daylight

Higher windows and the use of light shelves with clerestories will give a larger depth of penetration for daylight.

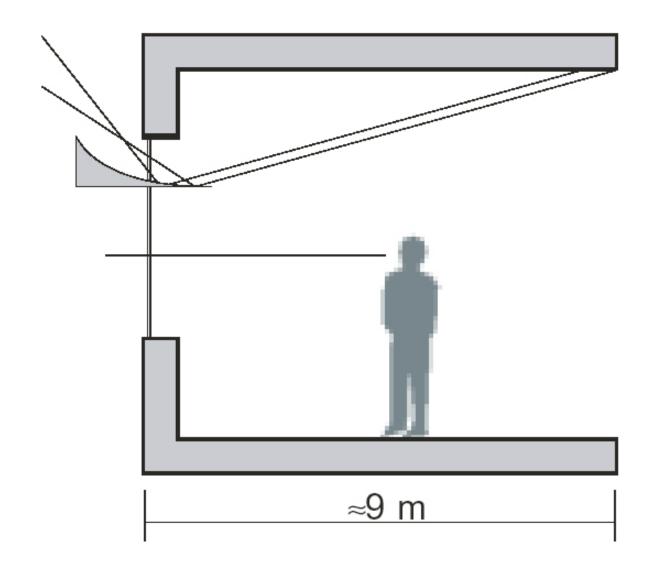


Daylight Depth as a Function of Window Height

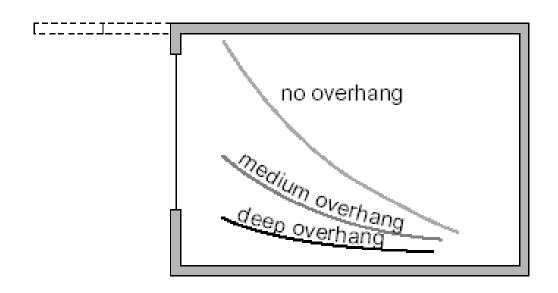


Light Distribution with Light Shelves

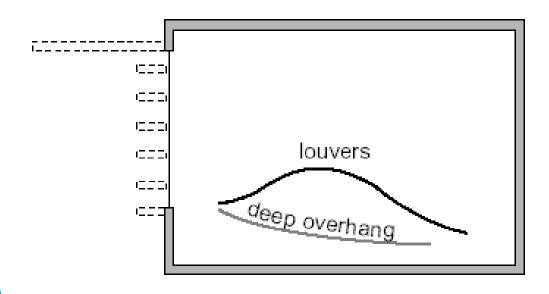
Exterior light shelves require special considerations for snow accumulation! NOT shown in this example.



## Interior and Exterior Light Shelves



The curves indicate light levels. Overhangs reduce light and glare near the window, creating a softer gradient in the room.



Break up the overhang for better distribution.

### Window Sizing

The average daylight factor equation can be used to estimate the required window-to-wall ratio (WWR) for adequate daylighting.

$$WWR = \frac{A_{Glazing}}{A_{GrossWall}}$$
 (expressed as a fraction)

Where,

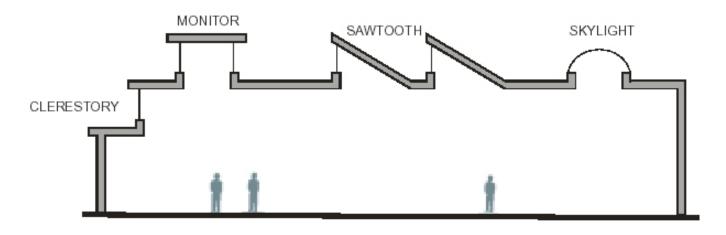
 $A_{Glazing}$  is the net glazing area (window area minus mullions and framing, approximately 80% of the opening)

 $A_{GrossWal}$  is the gross exterior wall area (width of the bay by floor-to-floor height)

### Daylighting the Core

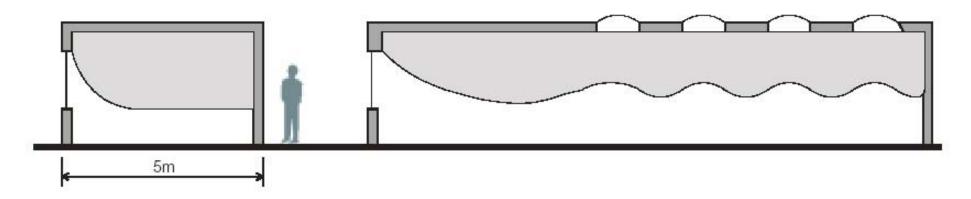
Skylights are an effective means of getting daylight deeper into the building plan, but are only useful on the top floor of the building...

There are several toplighting methods including skylights, monitors and clerestories. The following diagram illustrates the various toplighting possibilities. The sawtooth is a variation of a clerestory.

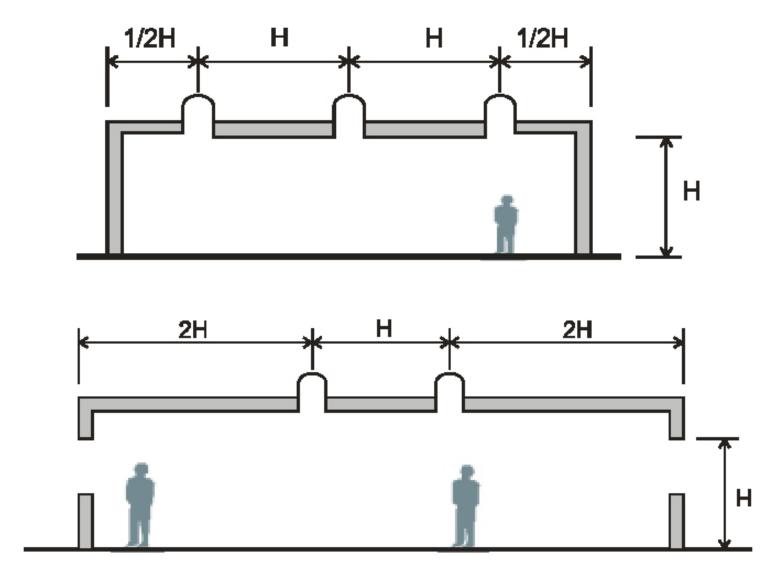


**Example of Toplighting Strategies** 

Toplighting can produce more even illumination than simple side lighting.

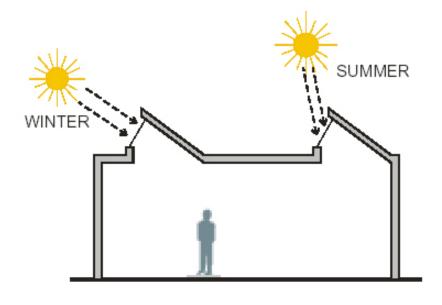


Improved Light Distribution in Long Spaces with Toplighting



Skylight Placement as a Function of Building Height

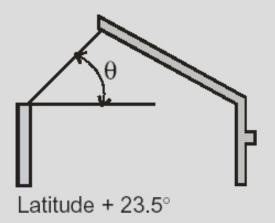
Use sloped skylights. To improve light balances between winter and summer months, slope the skylight towards the north or south. A sloped skylight will collect more winter light and less summer light.



Sloped Skylight for Seasonal Light

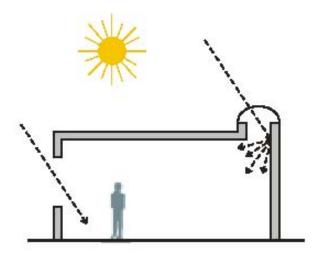
#### Skylight Slope

South-facing: Skylight slope (from the horizontal) should be greater than the site latitude plus 23.5 degrees.

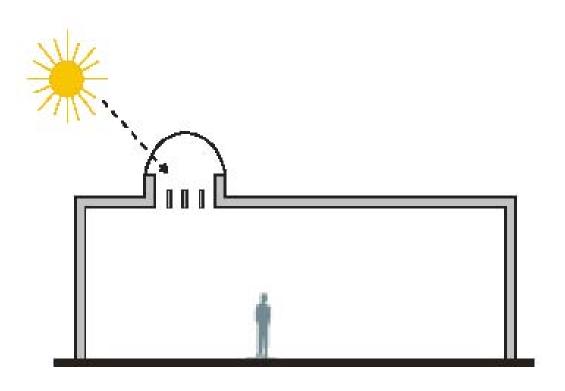


North-facing: Skylight sloped at latitude plus 23.5 degrees will receive the maximum daylight with a minimum amount of direct sunlight light entering the building.

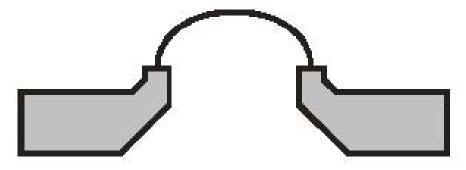
Place skylights over the north wall. All walls, but especially the north wall, will act as a diffuse light reflector and will balance light entering windows from the south.



Light Diffusion after Entering Skylight



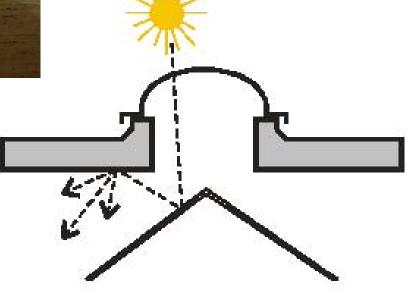
Diffuse Incoming Light for Glare Reduction



Splayed Opening on a Skylight

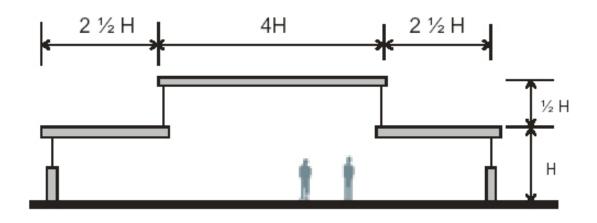


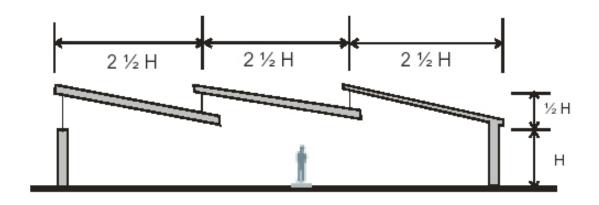
Kimbell Gallery: Louis Kahn skylight detail



Interior Reflectors Diffuse Light

**Space clerestories according to building height.** The recommended spacing for clerestories and monitors is shown below.

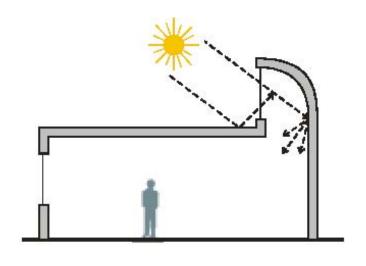




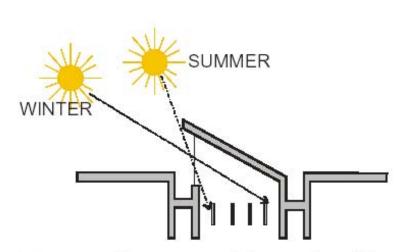
Clerestory Spacing as a Function of Building Height

Bounce light off interior wall. For south-facing openings especially, bouncing light off an interior wall will diffuse the entering sunlight.

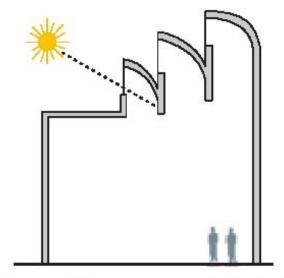
Use overhangs and diffusing baffles. South-facing clerestories can deliver high illumination without glare when appropriately designed baffles are implemented. Design baffle spacing to avoid direct sunlight and direct field-of-view glare. The ceiling and baffles should have a matte, high-reflectance finish.



Diffuse Light with Interior Walls



Minimize Clerestories Glare with Baffles and Overhangs



South-facing Clerestories with Light Scoops

### Window and Glazing Selection

Visible transmittance ( $V_T$ ) A measure of the fraction of visible light that passes through a glazing.

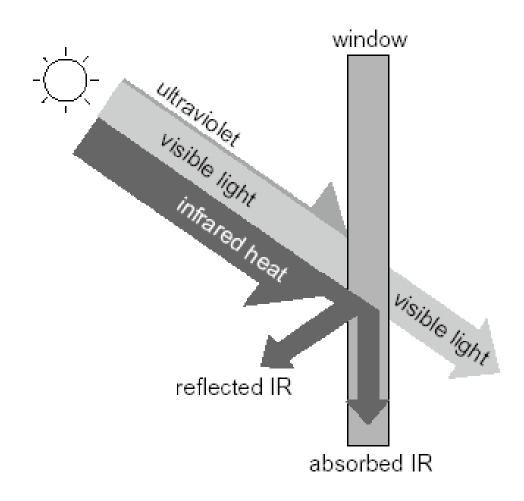
Visible reflectance The fraction of visible light that is reflected off the glazing. It is usually measured for both the inside (the interior mirror effect at night) and the outside (exterior view) of a glazing.

Solar Heat Gain Coefficient (SHGC) This parameter is a ratio of total transmitted solar heat to incident solar energy for a glazing. The ratio ranges between 0 and 1 and is an indication of the total heat transfer of the sun's radiation. An older, similar term, the Shading Coefficient (SC), is the ratio of the solar heat gain of a glazing to that of a clear single glazing.  $SC \approx 1.15 \times SHGC$ .

**U-value** A measure of heat transfer through a glazing per degree temperature difference across the window expressed in  $W/(m^2K)$ .

**Ultra-violet transmittance** The percentage of ultraviolet radiation that passes through a glazing.

**Spectral selectivity** The ability of a glazing material to respond to different wavelengths of solar energy. Ideally the glazing will admit visible light, but reject unwanted invisible infrared heat.



An ideal spectrally selective glazing admits only the part of the sun's energy that is useful for daylighting.

#### Typical U-values for Glazing and Window Systems

| Glazing System             | Center-of Glass<br>U-value (W/(m <sup>2</sup> K)) | Total Window<br>U-value (W/(m²K)) |                        |  |
|----------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|------------------------|--|
|                            | G-value (vv/(iii ig)                              | Typical Frame                     | High-Performance Frame |  |
| Single                     | 5.91  | 6.30                              | 5.90                   |  |
| Double                     | 2.73  | 3.51                              | 3.03                   |  |
| Double, hard low-e + argon | 1.70  | 2.63                              | 2.19                   |  |
| Double, soft low-e + argon | 1.42  | 2.39                              | 1.94                   |  |
| Triple                     | 1.76  | 2.63                              | 2.22                   |  |
| Triple, hard low-e + argon | 1.25  | 2.19                              | 1.79                   |  |
| Triple, soft low-e + argon | 0.80  | 1.79                              | 1.40                   |  |

[Source: 1997, ASHRAE Fundamentals Handbook (SI), Table 5, p 29.8.]

#### Typical Light Transmission and SHGC for Glazing Systems

| Glazing Light Transmission/Solar Heat Gain Coefficient (in percent) |       |            |                         |       |            |  |  |  |
|---|-------|------------|-------------------------|-------|------------|--|--|--|
| Glazing System<br>(6mm glass)                                       | Clear | Blue/Green | Spectrally<br>Selective | Grey  | Reflective |  |  |  |
| Single  | 89/81 | 75/62      | 71/51                   | 43/56 | 20/29      |  |  |  |
| Double  | 78/70 | 67/50      | 59/39                   | 40/44 | 18/21      |  |  |  |
| Double, hard low-e + argon  | 73/65 | 62/45      | 55/34                   | 37/39 | 17/20      |  |  |  |
| Double, soft low-e, + argon   | 70/37 | 59/29      | 53/27                   | 35/24 | 16/15      |  |  |  |
| Triple  | 70/61 | 59/42      | 53/34                   | 34/40 | 17/19      |  |  |  |
| Triple, hard low-e + argon  | 64/56 | 55/38      | 52/31                   | 32/36 | 15/17      |  |  |  |
| Triple, soft low-e, + argon   | 55/31 | 52/29      | 50/27                   | 30/26 | 14/13      |  |  |  |

[Source: 1997, ASHRAE Fundamentals, Table 11, p. 29.25]

#### Maximum Recommended Window U-values

|                            | Principal Heating Source  |      |         |              |  |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|------|---------|--------------|--|
| Region                     | Electricity,<br>Other     | Oil  | Propane | Natural Gas  |  |
|                            | Maximum U-value, W/(m²°C) |      |         |              |  |
| Newfoundland               | 1.80                      | 3.20 | 3.20    | -            |  |
| PEI                        | 1.80                      | 2.10 | 2.10    | -            |  |
| Nova Scotia                | 1.80                      | 3.20 | 2.10    | -            |  |
| New Brunswick              | 2.10                      | 3.20 | 1.80    | -            |  |
| Quebec, Southern           | 2.10                      | 2.10 | 2.10    | 2.10         |  |
| Ontario, Southern          | 2.10                      | 3.20 | 3.20    | 3.20         |  |
| Manitoba, Southern         | 2.10                      | 2.10 | 2.10    | 2.10         |  |
| Saskatchewan               | 1.80                      | 1.80 | 1.80    | 3.20         |  |
| Alberta, Southern          | 2.10                      | 2.10 | 2.10    | 3.20         |  |
| British Columbia, Southern | 3.20                      | 3.20 | 3.20    | 3.20         |  |
| Northern Canada            | 1.20                      | 1.80 | 1.80    | 2 <b>-</b> 2 |  |

Note: Data is for WWR of up to 0.4

Use multiple layers of glazing. The insulative effect of the air trapped between panes of glass can significantly reduce heat conduction through the window. To achieve U-values below 1.5 W/(m<sup>2</sup>K) requires triple-glazed windows.

Consider the use of film technologies. Using two films with a double glazed window will provide the thermal performance of a quadruple-glazed assembly at considerably less weight.

**Use inert gas fills.** The most common fill gases are argon and krypton. Argon is more commonly used despite the fact that krypton has better heat retaining properties. Krypton is approximately 200 times more expensive per unit volume than argon, although, since it works well in small pane spacings, it is used in situations where a reduction in the overall thickness of a multi-pane assembly is desired. The cost of inert gas window fills is about \$3 to \$5/m² of window.

Use low-e coatings for most applications. Applying a low-emittance metallic oxide film to a glazing will help to minimize radiant heat transfer. Low-e coatings are a mature and cost-effective technology. Most low-e coatings have high visible transmission so they will not reduce daylight availability. Some types of low-e coatings reflect solar gains while others transmit the solar gains.

#### Types of Low-e Coatings

There are two types of low-e coatings: soft and hard. Both coatings have low emissivity values for reduced radiative heat loss, are durable (if in a sealed glass unit) and are clear to the human eye. They do have slightly different heat transfer properties so that each coating has advantages over the other depending on the application.

Soft or Sputtered Low-e Coatings: These coatings are sprayed onto glass to achieve a low emissivity. They are referred to as "soft" because they are susceptible to degradation if exposed to the atmosphere. Provided they are in a sealed glass unit, they will retain their properties. Early soft coats had an emissivity of 0.1. More recently developed coatings achieve emissivities of less than 0.05. Most of these coatings are spectrally selective, in that they have high visible light transmission but low solar transmission. These coatings are best suited to medium-to-large commercial buildings or buildings with high air conditioning loads. Product trade names include Cardinal Low-e squared, AFG Ti-R, AFG Ti-AC, PPG Solarban 60, and Guardian Low-e Performance Plus II.

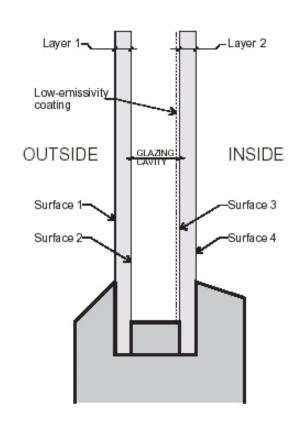
Hard or Pyrolitic Low-e Coatings: These coatings are applied during the manufacture of the glass. They are extremely durable even when not in a sealed glass unit. The emissivity is slightly higher than soft coats at 0.15 to 0.20. Most hard coatings have high visible and solar transmission. These coatings are best suited to residential and small commercial buildings or locations where air conditioning is rarely used. Product trade names include Pilkington Energy Advantage, AFG Comfort E2 and PPG Sungate 500.

Use low U-V transmission glazings where space contents are valuable. Since U-V can damage fabrics and paintings, a low U-V transmission glazing should be considered where such exposure is undesirable, such as in museums.

Use blue/green or spectrally-selective glazings over grey and reflective glazings. Spectrally-selective glazings are specially designed for high visible light transmission and low solar heat gain coefficient.

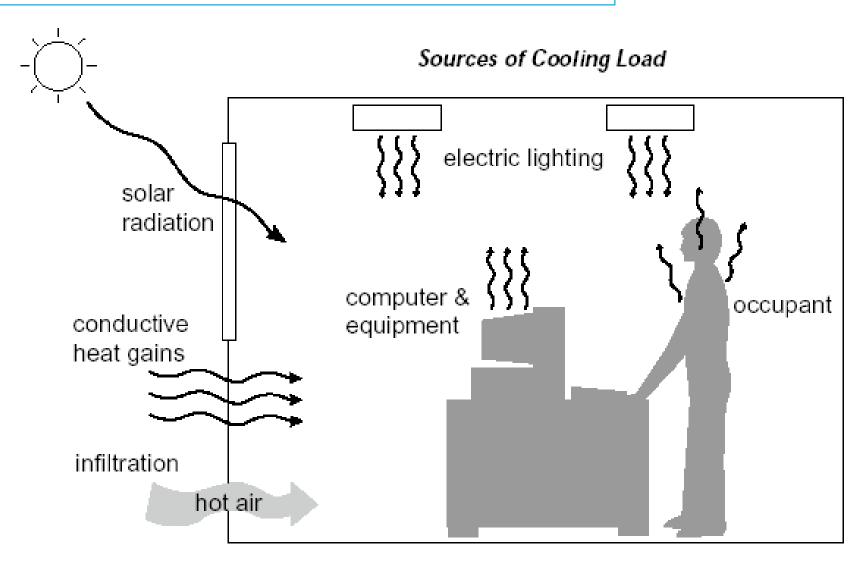
Avoid reflective glass. Reflective glass is coated with thin layers of metal (e.g. copper, silver, gold) or with semiconductors that reflect the solar heat gain and light. Because of their high daylight reflection, reflective glass is not compatible with daylighting design.

Locate low-e coating to achieve desired SHGC. A successful coating is also dependent on its location within the glazing assembly. By convention, glazing surfaces and layers are numbered from the outside in. If solar heat gain is to be increased (e.g. in residential or small commercial applications), then a coating on Surface 3 will be more effective than on Surface 2. For medium and large commercial buildings, the low-e coating is better on Surface 2. The U-value and inside center-glass temperature is not dependent on location.

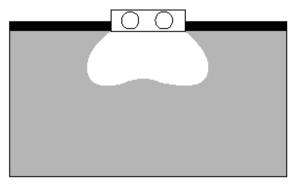


Typical Double-Glazed Window Assembly

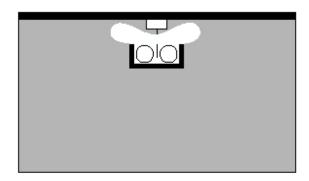
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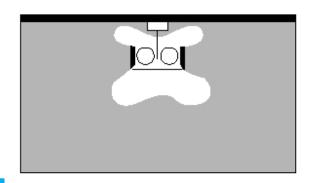
Different types of light fixtures have different light distribution. The type of fixture used in combination with daylight must be carefully chosen for its most appropriate characteristics -- as well as to make sure that the light is reaching the most suitable surface.



Direct lighting, typical candlepower distribution from ceiling-mounted luminaire



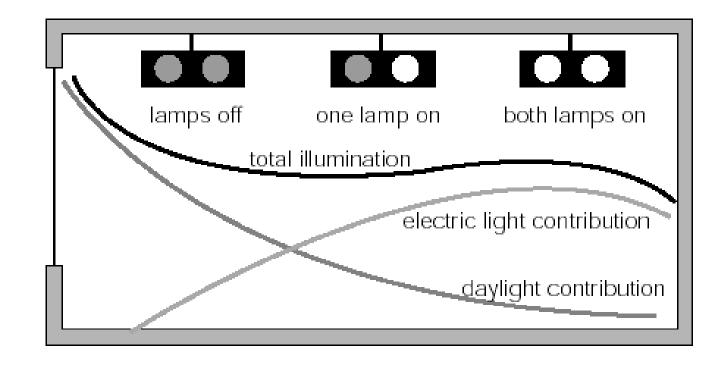
Indirect lighting, typical candlepower distribution from suspended luminaire

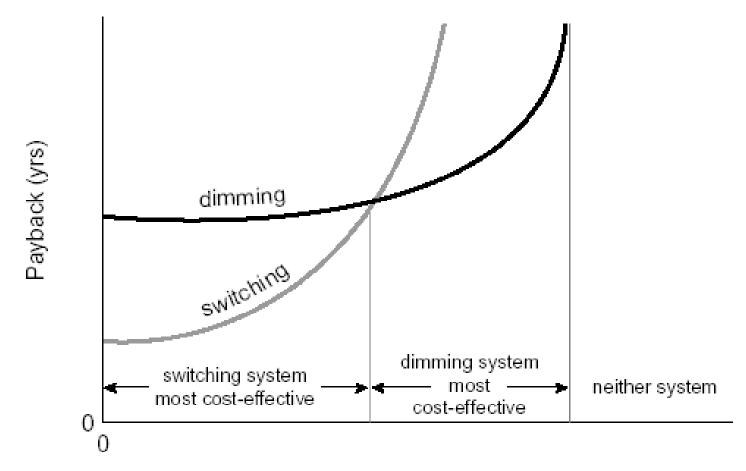


Direct/Indirect lighting, typical candlepower distribution from suspended luminaire

Controls can be used that adjust the lights to come on and off based on the illumination levels in specific zones of (deep) rooms, rather than having everything on or off. These controls can also be specified to be dimmable as well, for more even lighting.

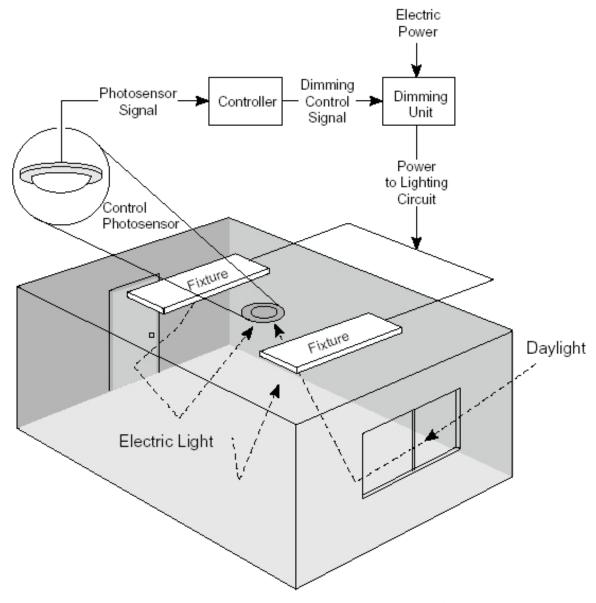
Schematic representation of lighting in a room with stepped lighting controls. The curves show relative light levels from both daylight and electric light. As the daylight level falls off with distance from the window, the electric lighting makes up the difference so that total illumination is evenly maintained at design levels thoughout the room.





Distance from Window

Dimming/Switching payback chart



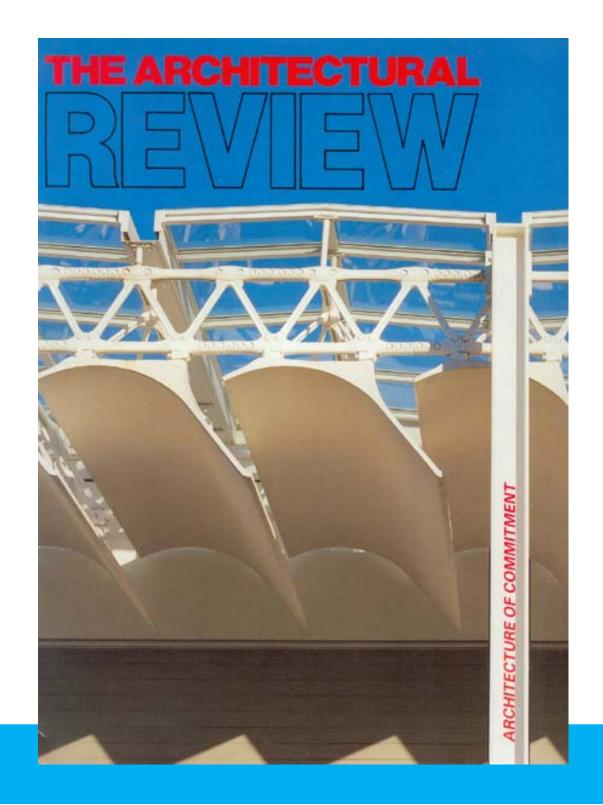
Schematic diagram of a room with a photoelectric dimming system. The ceiling-mounted photosensor reads both electric light and daylight in the space, and adjusts the electric lighting as required to maintain the design level of total lighting.

# Galleries: A Special Problem

UV can under no circumstance hit artwork. If it does, the gallery is a failure!

### Menil Gallery:

Houston, Texas Renzo Piano Architect



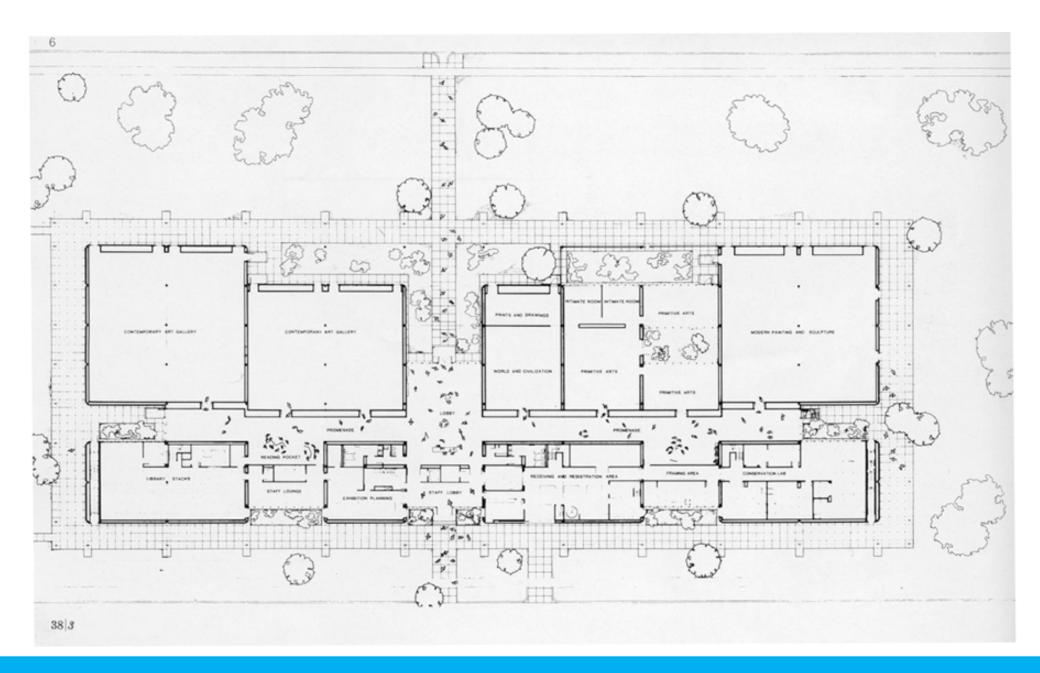


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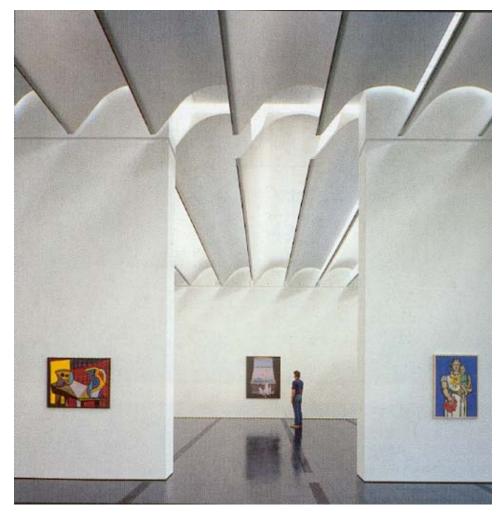








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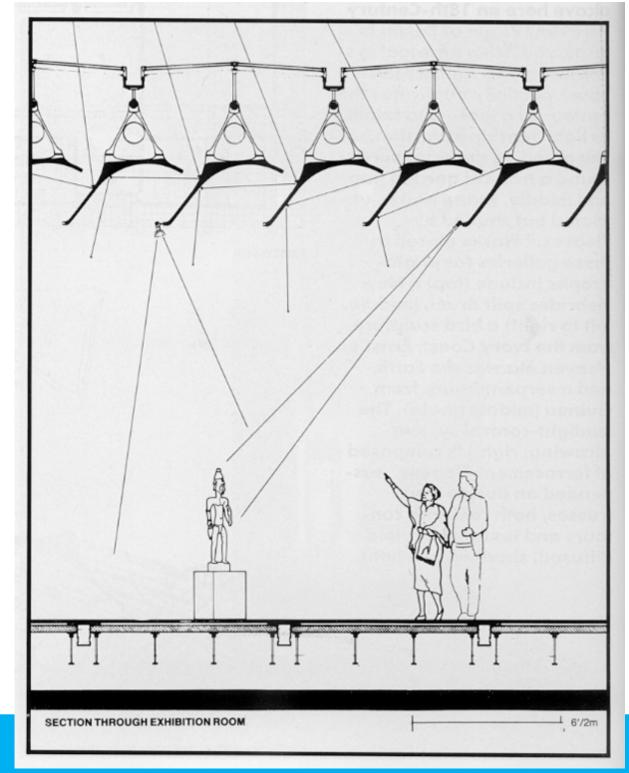


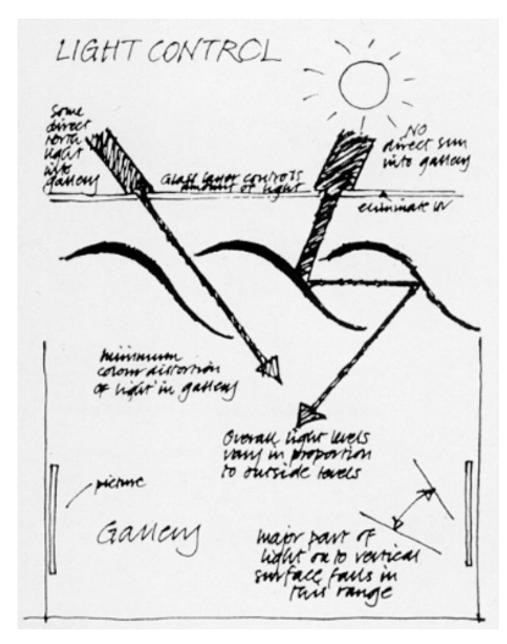


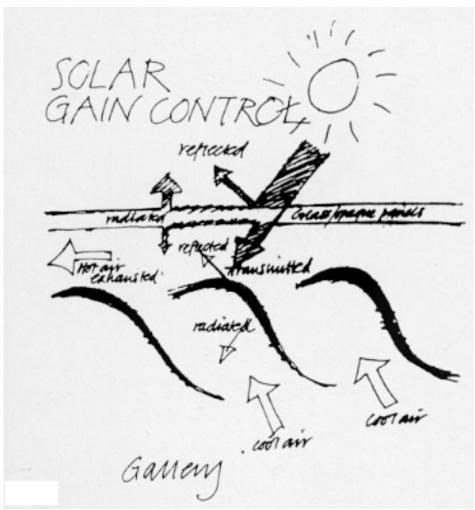
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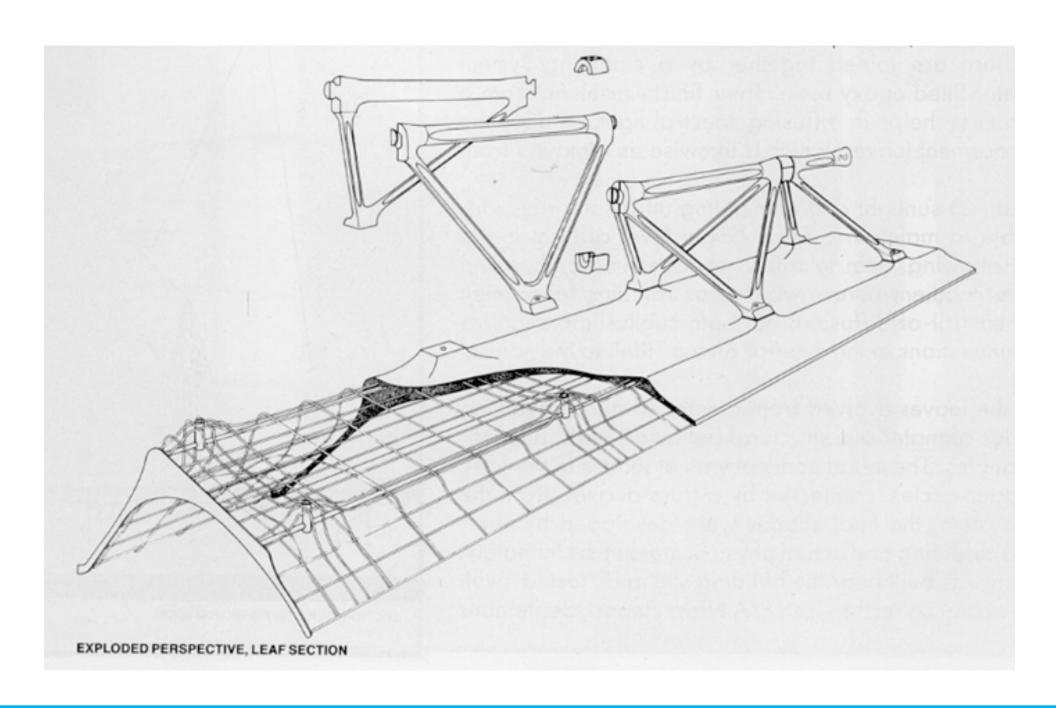


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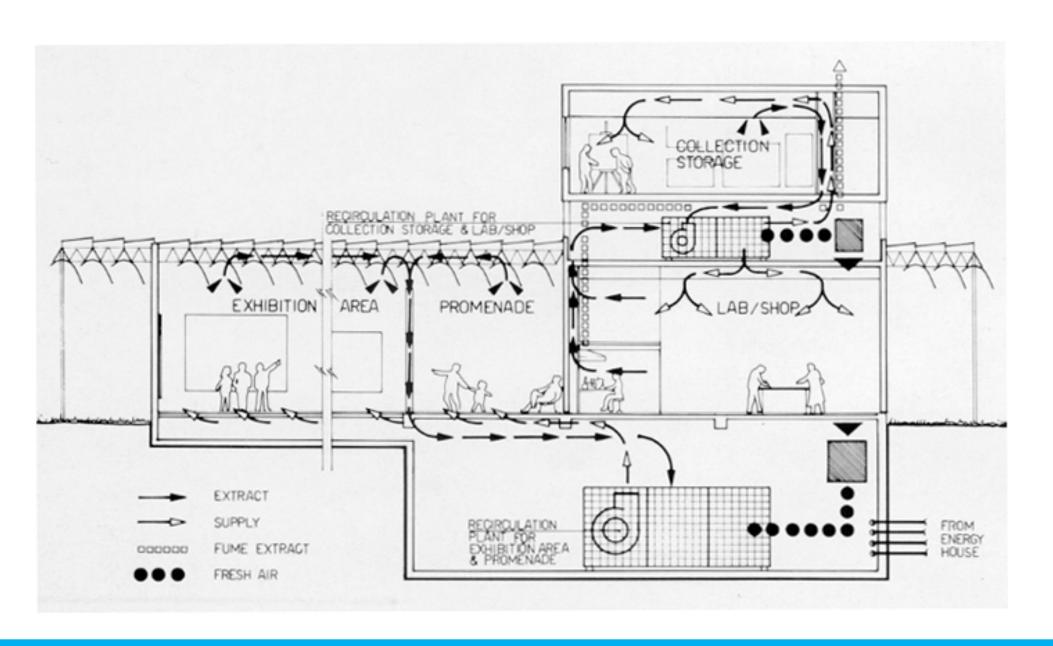


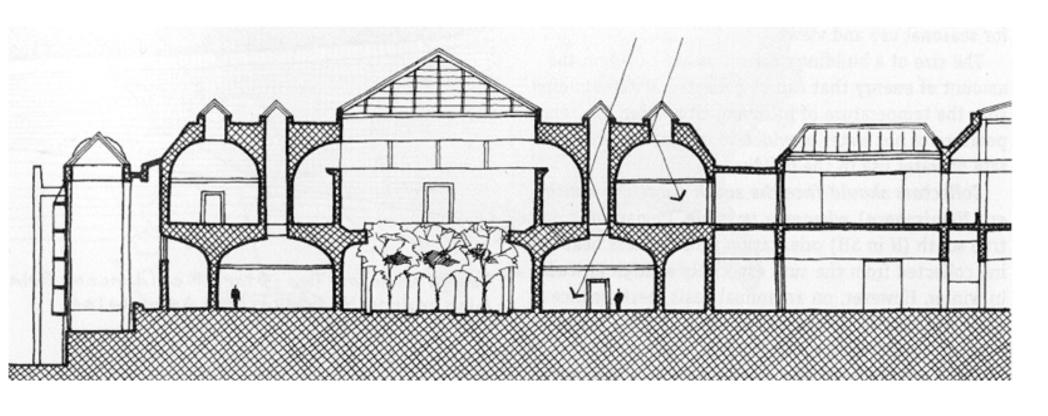






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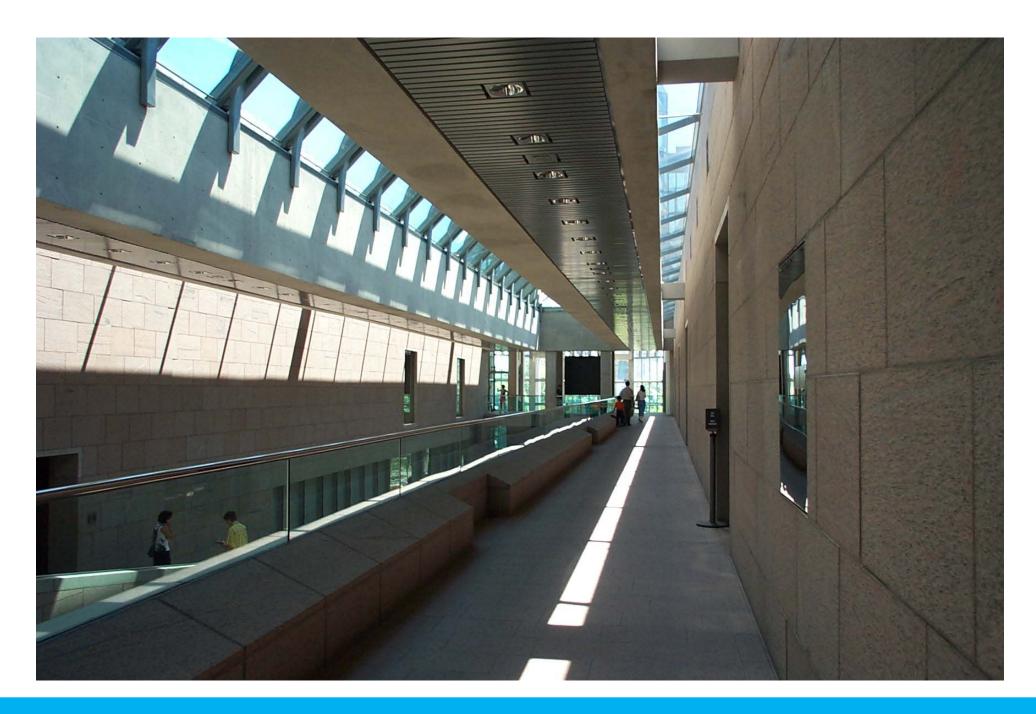




Lightwells in the National Gallery of Canada, Moshe Safdie



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