Daylight

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Introduction

On one side, daylight is constantly changing so it is difficult to make a good lighting with it.

On the other side this changes can provide buildings with living quality unachievable with any other design.





Daylight properties

Daylight has its advantages (high levels, high illuminances of indoor environment, daily rhythm favorable technical parameters, energy savings ...)

as well as weaknesses (rapid changes, strong shadows, limited duration, the need for heating and air-conditioning, glare ...)









Daylight properties

Lifespan :

unlimited but the availability is very much limited to about 12 hours per day in average.



Why daylighting



+ Quality of the light Daylight is what our eyes were made for: most closely matches human visual response, large quantity, full spectrum, good color rendering, good visual environment ...

Why daylighting

+ Importance of daylight as a design element Daylight can be used as a central design determinant in the design (Wright, Le Corbusier, Aalto ...). Daylight also adds aesthetic quality to space.



Why daylighting

+ View (daylight apertures provide visual communication channels) Humans have a strong desire for a view . What makes a good view and whether a good view is necessary is not

yet clear.



Why daylighting

+ Use of daylight



apertures as fire exits The fire may require more victims in buildings, where occupants can not open windows to vent smoke, escape or allow firemen to enter.



Why daylighting



physiological benefits not obtainable with electric lighting schools are more aggressive. Patients in windowless hospitals need more time to





Why daylighting

- Glare and similar issues Daylight van cause sever problems with glare and veiling reflections. Especially with the windows on east and west sides of the building.





Principles of daylight design

- Facts:
- source of daylight is outside the room,
 daylight is extremely variable (with time and location – geographical latitude),
- daylight is not available whole (working) day so we need to decide the percentage of (working) hours for which adequate lighting is to be provided.





Principles of daylight design

Tolerable minimum conditions:
minimum conditions (illuminance levels) available all the time,
usually only encountered at the beginning and end of (working) day,
higher levels will be available in between,

 special circumstances (e.g. thunderstorm) may reduce this minimum levels.







Principles of daylight design

- Site design includes: • geographical position (latitude), • average weather
- conditions, these two defines the amount
- of daylight (horizontal illuminance) available on a horizontal plane exposed to the whole of a completely unobstructed sky.



Principles of daylight design











 giving minimum external illuminance at the selected latitude for the selected portion of the day,

available in CIE No. 16.



Locale specific exterior illuminance models:

- · based on measurements of exterior illuminance or sky luminance,
- given in a form of equation for total global horizontal illuminance (for clear or overcast sky).
 - to be considered: variables (solar altitude, asimuth) and constants (derived from measurements).



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Available daylight-data

CIE standardized sky models: • theoretical representation of 15 different sky types (clear, intermediate, overcast), model defines ration between . luminance of arbitrary sky element and zenith luminance, to be considered: indicatrix function (luminance as function of angular distance from sun), gradation function (luminance as function of zenith angle).

Available daylight-data



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Sunlight probability data:

 duration and frequency of sunshine over the year,

 measured practically at every weather station,

 limit: 200 W/m², data available as percent sun (measured minutes of sunshine per hour).



Available daylight-data

Satellite data:

meteorological satellites are regularly taking pictures of earth in different spectral channels, • this data can be used for

calculation of relative sunshine duration, horizontal irradiance and illuminance ... collection of data freely available on internet,

available at

www.satel-light.com.















Or use "rules of thumb" : General rule:

 minimum window area >5% of floor area for room where people stay permanently; For dwellings:

window area min 10% of floor area;
better: 20% to 30% but then overheating in summere may occure.





Slope ceilings to direct more light into space:

sloping away from fenestration are will increase luminance of the ceiling farther into a space.

Design strategies



Avoid direct-beam daylight on critical visual tasks:

direct-beams result in glare so poor visibility and

discomfort may be the result. Use of fenestration controls may help.

Design strategies

Use direct sun cautiously in areas where noncritical tasks occur:

> patterns of light and shadow may contribute to well being and sense of time and orientation but can also cause difficulties.

Design strategies Filter daylight: when direct sunlight might be a problem, filtering by vegetation, curtains or louvers might be a solution.





Design strategies

Location and shape of the apertures: determines how

the space is perceived;



view to the outside; can be used to direct daylight

within a space.



Design concepts









Design concepts



The actual design of the building's daylighting areas is based upon the geometric relationships between the room being daylit and the size, shapes and locations of the daylight apertures that provide room's natural illumination.

Sidelighting concepts

Sidelighting concepts use wall of the building as the location of daylight aperture: • windows,

clerestory aperture

They provide light that sweeps across horizontal work planes.

Sidelighting concepts

+ directionality of the light,
+ good lighting quality and quantity on horizontal surfaces,
+ good lighting quality and quantity on vertical surfaces with clerestories,
+ visual connection with the surrounding,
- not so good lighting quality and quantity on vertical surfaces,
- glare and high contrast in a room,
- visual connection with the surrounding.



























Toplighting concepts

In toplighting concepts daylight penetrates space from apertures located above the ceiling line (constitute part of the roof):

- horizontal lights and lightwells,
 - angled roof lights,
 - sawtooth lights,
 monitor lights,
 - direct and indirect beam lighting.



Toplighting concepts

- relatively uniform level of illuminance through the space,
 allow use of sunlight and skylight,
 - + very good for general lighting,
 - + less problems with glare,
- can not be used in multistory buildings,
 use of sunlight may cause reflected glare,
- no visual connection with the surrounding.





































































Atria, light courts, reentrants



These are more ways to manipulate the form of a building's perimeter to optimize the amount the space that can be illuminated with daylight.

They are usually used with the sidelighting concepts.













Sun control and shading devices



Some of them (like horizontal louvers or blinds) can be placed on either exterior or interior of the building. Exterior sun control devices

are usually better when combination of daylighting and cooling is important.





















Glazing

Glass properties can be changed in various ways:

- coating or coloring,
- different material (plastics),
 gas filling and vacuuming,
 - directionally selective materials,
- electrochromic materials,
 inovative glazing types (phase change materials).

Glazing

GLASS TYPE (PRODUCT)	GLASS THICKNESS (INCH)	VISIBLE TRANSMITTANCE (% DAYLIGHT)	U-VALUE (WINTER)	SHADING	SOLAR HEAT GAIN COEFFICIENT	EFFICACI FACTOR (T _{V7} /SC)
Single-pane glass (Standard-cicer)	0.25	89	1.09	0.94	0.81	0.95
Single white laminated wheat-rejecting coating (Southwall California Series)	0.25	73	1.06	0.54	0.46	1.35
Double-pane insulated glass (Standard-clear)	0.25	79	0.48	0.82	0.70	0.96
Double bronze reflective glass (LOF Eclipse)	0.25	21	0.48	0.41	0.35	0.51
Triple-pane insulated glass (Standard-clear)	0.125	74	0.36	0.78	0.67	0.95
Pyrolytic low-e double glass (LOF clear low-e)	0.125	75	0.33	0.82	0.71	0.91
Solt-coat low-e double glass w/argon (PPG Sungate 100 clear)	0.25	73	0.26	0.66	0.57	1.11
High-efficiency low-e (Solarscreen 2000 VE1-2M)	0.25	70	0.29	0.43	0.37	1.63
Suspended coated film (Heat Mirror 66 clear)	0.125	55	0.25	0.41	0.35	1.34
Suspended coated film w/argon (Azunite Heat Mirror SC75)	0.125	53	0.19	0.32	0.27	1.66
Double suspended coated films w/krypton (Heat Mirror 77 Superglass)	0.125	53 .	0.10	0.40	0.34	1.33



Lighting performance analysis can be done in different ways:

 mathematical modeling,
 computer simulations,
 scale modeling and measurements,

 mockup modeling and measurements.



Daylight analysis

Mathematical modeling

- is used to calculate absolute or relative (according to exterior illuminance) illuminance levels in a room. It is:
 - fast and so useful for gauge the sensitivity of a design to changes in daylight apertures,
 can be used with computers,
 - can include also artificial lighting sources,
- can be used to calculate level for the extended period of time.

Daylight analysis

Mathematical modeling Lumen input method Absolute method for small rooms which gives illuminance in three points based on luminous flux entering through the daylight apertures (calculated from illuminance at the aperture and its area). Data from tables (originally from measurements) need to be used.





Mathematical modeling Daylight factor (DF) method How large DF should be?

Daylight factor	< 1% Very low	1%-2% Low	2%-4% Moderate	4%-7% Acceptable	7%-12% High	>12% Very high	
Perception of illuminance	Dark to gloomy		Gloomy to light		Light to very light		
Remarks	Fits for secondary spaces (corridors, storage,		Fits for work spaces		Glare risk		
Atmosphere	Space has no relation with outside			Space has a relation with outside			

Daylight analysis

Mathematical modeling Flux transfer method

Absolute method. Illuminance in a point is calculated from luminous flux coming to this point (small area) from different sources like sunlight, sky, internal and external surfaces ...It is basis for some methods used in simulation programs.



Computer simulation

is also mathematical modeling but no basic knowledge about calculations is needed. Different simulation programs can be used with provided or self-made models of daylight apertures. Advantages: • fast and reliable. analysis can include both daylighting and artificial lighting, room furniture ... can be included,

different sky models can be used for simulations (clear, overcast, CIE standard skies ...).



Daylight analysis

Computer simulation use of daylight aperture models provided by simulation program

Most today's simulation programs include daylight simulations with different "window" models. Limitations: limited number of sky types, limited number of "window" models (e.g. just vertical or horizontal) limited data about typical weather conditions ...



Daylight analysis Computer simulation use of self made daylight aperture models aperture models Daylight aperture can be modeled and included into simulation program in a same way as an electrical luminaire. Advantages: different sky models can be used, real weather data can be taken into account, different "window" models can be made (different slopes ...). NEBO TLA

Scale modeling and measurements A scale model of a room with daylight apertures is made and measurements are done under real or artificial sky. Properties: + no mathematical knowledge needed, + results are very close to reality, less room for mistakes, + real photographs can be made, - accurate model need to be made (reflectance, dimensions ...), - propriate measurement instruments are needed, - could be time and money consuming.























Daylight/Electric lighting integration

Automated switching of artificial lighting have many advantages: • always provides needed illuminance on the task

area, • saves electrical energy for lighting,

 can be upgraded with occupancy control for additional energy savings.





Daylight/Electric lighting integration

On/off switching strategy:

all luminaires in room are switched on or off together;

interior illuminance will be larger than needed most of the time daylight is present;

simplest control and smallest energy savings.









Daylight/Electric lighting integration

Continuous dimming strategy: • Iuminous flux of individual luminaires or groups of luminaires can be controlled (0-100 %), • control dimes luminaires (groups) according to available daylight, • illuminance is as needed, • maximum savings can be achieved.





Daylight/Electric lighting integration

Needed equipment: • for automatic control a measuring device is needed to provide data about available daylight; • controller get the data from daylight sensor and switches (dimes) luminaires (groups); • special ballasts are needed for dimming; • daylight sensor can be combined with presence sensor.

Daylight/Electric lighting integration



Integration with EMS:

controlled artificial lighting can be integrated into EMS (Energy Management System) of the building to achieve additional energy savings (due to connection with heating and AC systems ...)

At the end ...

Daylighting has many benefits and is much more than just a lighting.

During planning of daylighting a lot of data needs to be considered.

As daylighting is never enough it should carefully be integrated with artificial lighting.

... and now:

Questions?



















