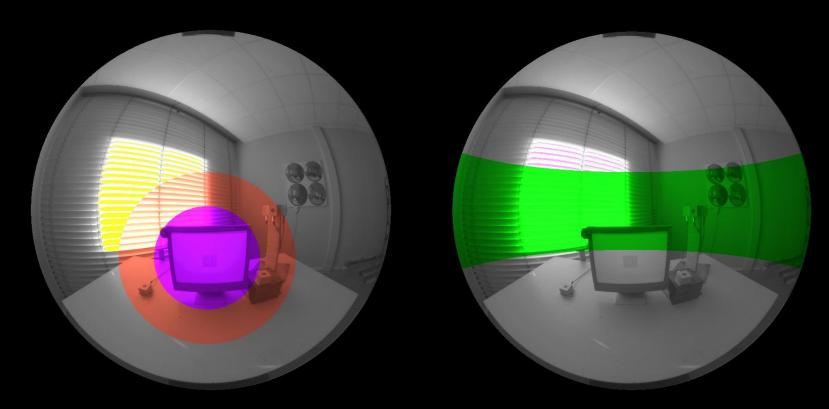
Evalglare 2.0 – new features faster and more robust HDR-image evaluation



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Introduction – What is evalglare?

So far:

It is a Tool for performing a glare analysis of an Radiance-based HDR scene

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- detects glare sources in HDR images
- calculates solid angles from pixels/glare sources
- calculates vertical illuminance from image
- calculates various glare metrics (DGP, UGR, VCP, DGI, CGI...)
- can cut the field of view

The phases for daylight calculation increased from 3 to 6 in the last years

But for evalglare???

The metrics were the same in the last years...

Therefore: New metrics are included!!!





Introduction – What is evalglare?

With the release of version 2.0 evalglare becomes a tool to perform luminance based evaluations of HDR images.

Following evaluations are possible now:

- (simple) statistical analysis of the image or parts of the image (mean, median, 95 percentile, 75 percentile, standard deviation)
- Zonal evaluation (two circular zones possible, horizontal band)
- Masking within evalglare

Various evaluations possible now.





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Calculation of the background luminance

Up to version 1.16: $L_b=E_i/\Pi$

L_b: Background luminance

E_i: Indirect Illuminance

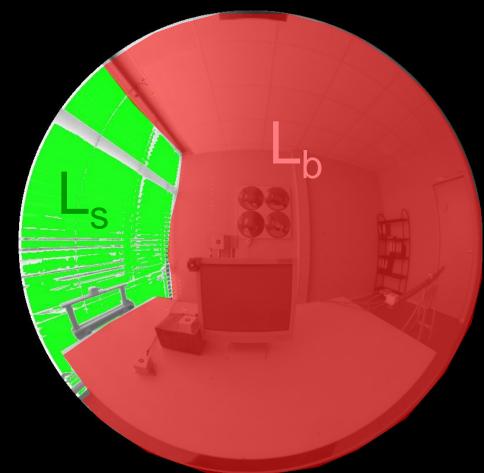
-> Pixel luminance is cosinus weighted!

From version 1.17 on: L_b is not cosinus weighted any more, now average luminance of the non-glare source pixels

-> Influences DGI and UGR calculation

Removal of the age-correction function

Re-analysis of the data did not show significant results
Although there might be an effect, it cannot be quantified at the moment







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Following new metrics are included:

Within standard calculation, displayed in the last line only with the –d ouput option. Glare source section remains similar.

- UGP: Unified glare probability according to Hirning
- DGI_{mod}: Modified DGI according to Fisekis
- UGR_{exp}: Experimental UGR according to Fisekis
- av_lum_pos: Average luminance of image, pixels are weighted by the position index, Osterhaus
- av_lum_pos2: Average luminance of image, pixels are weighted by the squared position index, Osterhaus
- med_lum,med_lum_pos,med_lum_pos2: Median, position weighted- and squared position weighted median luminance





Horizontal band evaluation:

activated by -B angle [rad] e.g. for ±20° from horizontal line («40°-band») -> angle=0.349

Output in separate line (first line). Following values within the band are calculated:

band_omega: solid angle of band [sr]

band_av_lum: average luminance of band [cd/m²]

band_median_lum: median luminance of band [cd/m²]

band_std_lum: standard deviation of luminance,

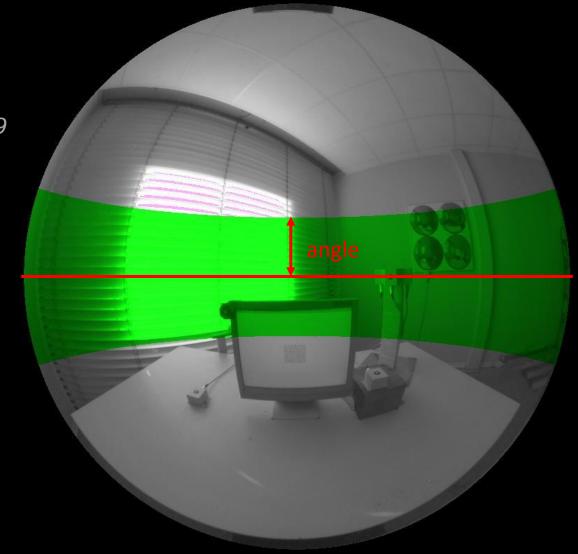
band_perc75: 75 percentile luminance of band [cd/m²]

band_perc95: 95 percentile luminance of band [cd/m²]

band_min_lum: minimum luminance of band [cd/m²]

band_max_lum: maximum luminance of band [cd/m²]

Example







Zonal evaluation:

Needed for examle when performing a contrast evaluation

activated by

-l xpos ypos angle : single zone

-L xpos ypos angle1 angle2 : two zones

Angles in [rad]





Zonal evaluation:

activated by

-l xpos ypos angle : single zone

-L xpos ypos angle1 angle2 : two zones

Angles in [rad]

Output in separate lines (first lines).
Following values within the zones z1,z2 are calculated:

z1(2)_omega: solid angle of zone [sr]

z1(2)_av_lum: average luminance of zone [cd/m²]

z1(2)_median_lum: median luminance of zone [cd/m²]

z1(2)_std_lum: standard deviation of luminance of zone,

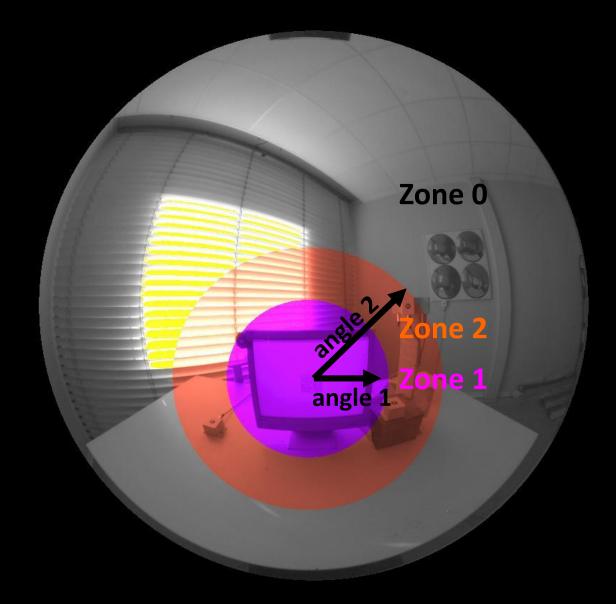
z1(2)_perc75: 75 percentile luminance of zone [cd/m²]

z1(2)_perc95: 95 percentile luminance of zone [cd/m²]

z1(2)_min_lum: minimum luminance of zone [cd/m²]

z1(2)_max_lum: maximum luminance of zone [cd/m²]

Let's do an example evaluation







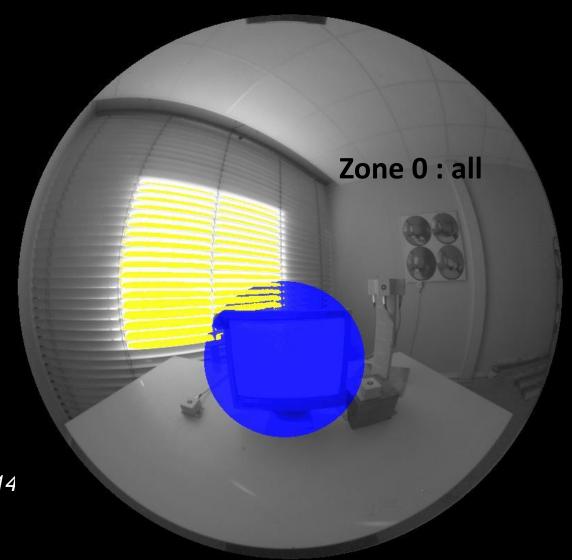
Example evaluation

No zonal evaluation

evalglare -T 384 289 0.9 -d -c output.hdr input.hdr

Delivers one glare source:

- 1 No pixels x-pos y-pos L_s Omega_s Posindx L_b L_t E_vert Edir Max_Lum Sigma xdir ydir zdir Eglare_cie Lveil_cie teta glare_zone
- 1 22804.000000 253.726604 380.657331 1594.290752 0.3456751723 1.645702 155.048325 215.517090 983.203954 437.027954 10225.375000 32.430944 0.53414 0.047862 0.844038 437.027954 4.155182 32.430944 0







Example evaluation

One zone evaluation

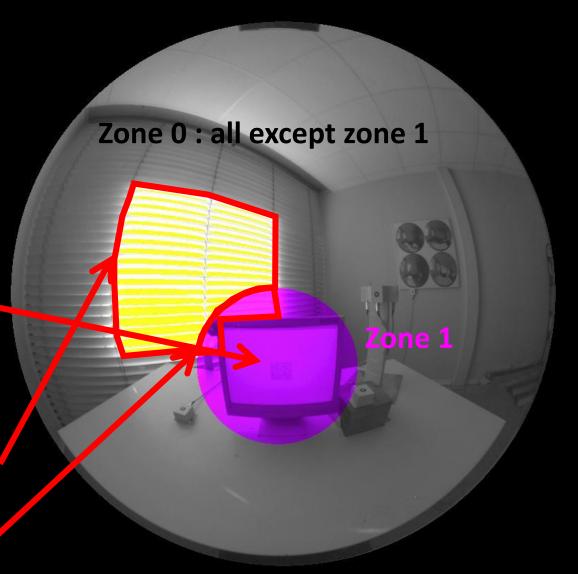
evalglare —t 384 289 0.9 —l 384 289 0.9 -d —c output.hdr input.hdr

Delivers data for the zone:

zoning:z1_omega,z1_av_lum,z1_median_lum,z1_std_lum,z1_perc_75, z1_perc_95,z1_lum_min,z1_lum_max: 0.625647 215.517084 133.201172 351.694818 173.755859 1082.390623 13.678467 2533.968711

And delivers two glare sources:

- 2 No pixels x-pos y-pos L_s Omega_s Posindx L_b L_t E_vert Edir Max_Lum Sigma xdir ydir zdir Eglare_cie Lveil_cie teta glare_zone
- 1 20791.000000 244.894048 376.972998 1596.012599 0.3131968995
 1.759448 155.048325 215.517090 983.203954 437.027954 10225.375000 34.597101 0.564329 0.062703 0.823165 437.027954 3.651151 34.597101 0
- 2 2013.000000 338.901363 416.186370 1577.686503 0.0324782728
 1.194143 155.048325 215.517090 983.203954 437.027954 10225.375000
 13.742772 0.218148 -0.094064 0.971372 0.000000 0.000000 13.742772 1







Example evaluation
Two zones evaluation

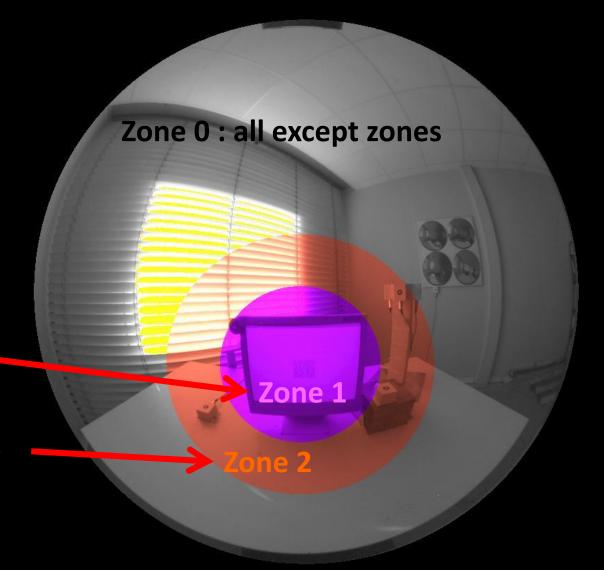
evalglare –t 384 289 0.9 –L 384 289 0.9 1.5 -d –c output.hdr input.hdr

Delivers data for the zones:

zoning:z1_omega,z1_av_lum,z1_median_lum,z1_std_lum,z 1_perc_75,

z1_perc_95,z1_lum_min,z1_lum_max: 0.625647 215.517084 133.201172 351.694818 173.755859 1082.390623 13.678467 2533.968711

zoning:z2_omega,z2_av_lum,z2_median_lum,z2_std_lum,z 2_perc_75,z2_perc_95,z2_lum_min,z2_lum_max: 1.060242 397.341643 109.427734 559.723433 304.160156 1717.281290 13.591064 4933.687511







Example evaluation
Two zones evaluation

evalglare —t 384 289 0.9 —L384 289 0.9 1.5 -d —c output.hdr input.hdr

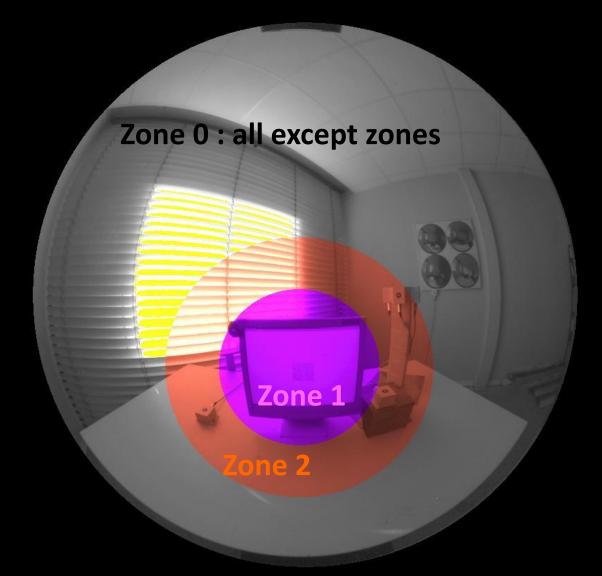
Delivers three glare souces:

3 No pixels x-pos y-pos L_s Omega_s Posindx L_b L_t E_vert Edir Max_Lum Sigma xdir ydir zdir Eglare_cie Lveil_cie teta glare_zone

1 11444.000000 217.984349 352.904716 1556.418219 0.1678747451 2.364898 155.048325 215.517090 983.203954 437.027954 10225.375000 41.705430 0.648264 0.149599 0.746575 437.027954 2.512604 41.705430 0

2 9347.000000 275.979872 404.776444 1641.751643 0.1453221544 1.412642 155.048325 215.517090 983.203954 437.027954 10225.375000 27.337378 0.457045 -0.044732 0.888318 0.000000 0.000000 27.337378 2

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Does the zonal evaluation influence other metrics???

Yes! -> glare sources are split up!

For our example:

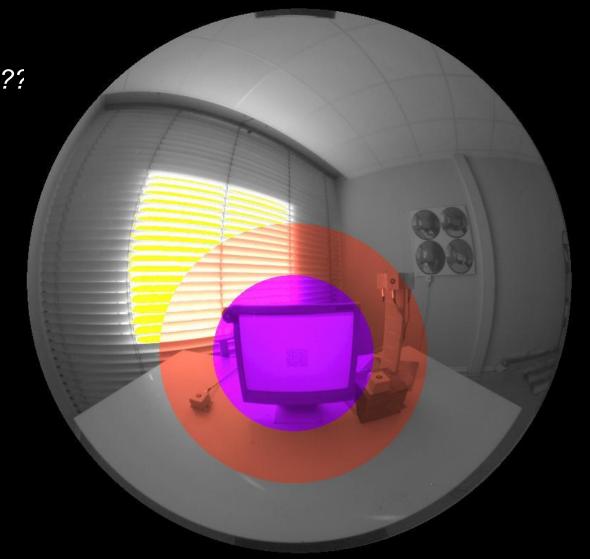
DGP DGI

0 zones 0.240684 17.445793

1 zone 0.240124 18.075613

2 zones 0.240755 18.872232

-> influence is usually small







Masking evaluation

e.g. for evaluation of an window area

Predicted Glare Sesation Vote PGSV (Iwata)

Evalglare loads and uses a masking image to cut an area

Important: masking image must have the same size!

Not together with zoning!

activated by -A mask.hdr

Output in separate line (first line). Following values within the mask area are calculated:

no_pixels: no of pixels in masking area

omega: solid angle of zone [sr]

av_lum: average luminance of zone [cd/m²]

median_lum: median luminance of zone [cd/m²]

std_lum: standard deviation of luminance of zone,

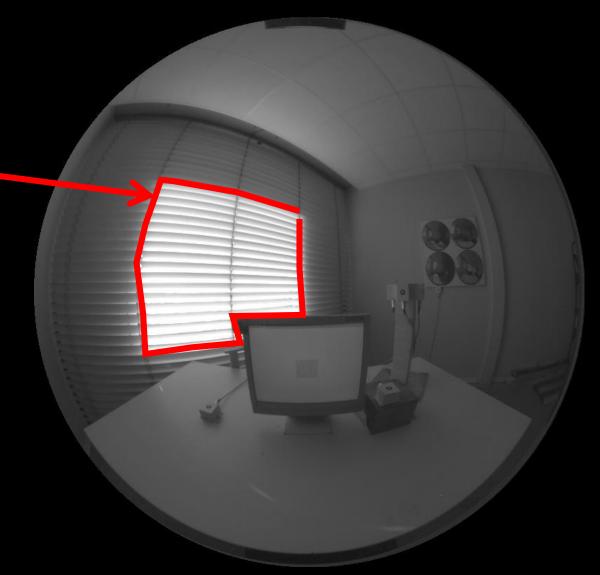
perc75: 75 percentile luminance of zone [cd/m²]

perc95: 95 percentile luminance of zone [cd/m²]

min_lum: minimum luminance of zone [cd/m²]

PGSV: Predicted Glare Sesation Vote

PGSV SAT: Saturation Predicted Glare Sesation Vote

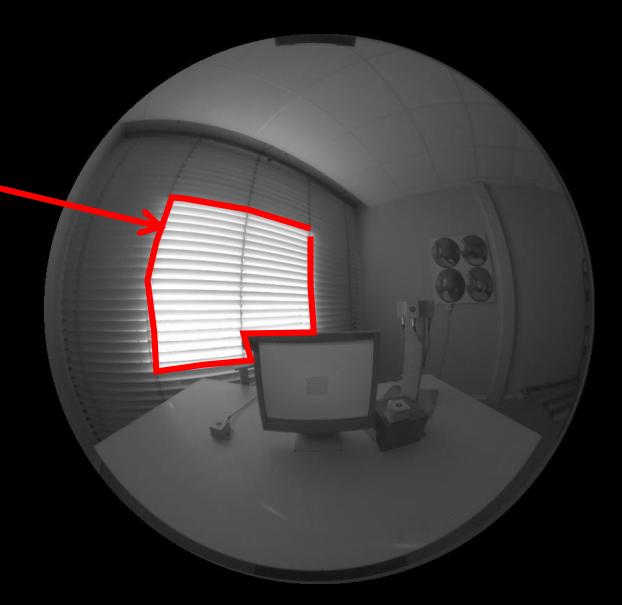






Masking evaluation – example

Steps to evaluate a window area

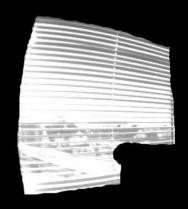






Masking evaluation – example

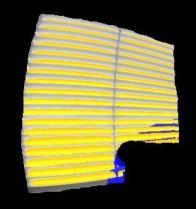
- 1. Use Photoshop or similar to create mask
 - Use ra_ppm to create a ppm file
- Everything not of interest should be black
- It MUST be really black (RGB 0 0 0)!
- Convert it back to hdr format by ra_ppm -r





Masking evaluation – example

2. Run evalglare with –A mask.hdr





Summary of new metrics included:

- UGP: Unified glare probability according to Hirning
- DGI_{mod}: Modified DGI according to Fisekis
- UGR_{exp}: Experimental UGR according to Fisekis
- PGSV: Predicted Glare Sesation Vote according to Iwata
- Mean, median std of (lower) window area (standards, Wymelenberg)
- Mean, median, std of 40° band (Wymelenberg)
- av_lum_pos: Average luminance of image, pixels are weighted by the position index, Osterhaus
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Why?

Several users didn't use «correct» headers. Evalglare results are completely wrong.

- Extended header check
- Check for fish-eye lens



Evalglare 2.0 – 2.0 – New safety features for HDR-image evaluations

New safty features for HDR-image evaluations

Reasons for «wrong» headers:

- -> using pcompos for cutting image without correcting header after
- -> fish eye lens is not automatically detected by photosphere or hdrgen

What happens?

- Exposure gets invalid
- View setting gets invalid (wa already checked since version 1.00)





Evalglare 2.0 – 2.0 – New safety features for HDR-image evaluations

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Evalglare 2.0 – New safety features for HDR-image evaluations

- Extended header check -> check for «valid» view and «valid» exposure
- Check for fish-eye lens -> check on black corners





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Problem: HDR contains overflow pixels

How to find out??

Measured illuminance does not match calculated

Example:

E_{measured}=12000 lux

E_{calculated}=6000 lux





How to solve?

It should be prevented from the beginning by the use of filters

But what to do when the measurements were already finished?







Solution: Use the vertical illuminance to replace the «sun-pixels» to match the illuminance

New option in evalglare – N xpos ypos angle E

xpos: x-position of sun

ypos: y-pos of sun

angle: angle of sun disk (should contain also

circumsolar area

E: measured Illuminance [lux]







Result

Example







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Evalglare 2.0 – speed improvement

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Algorithm for combining glare sources has been improved

In average factor 10 speed improvement!

The longer it took before, the more is the improvement.

The bad news: Not affecting the annual calculation, this was already optimized before..



Evalglare 2.0

The presented version is already as beta-version 1.31 in the head release since several weeks.

The official 2.0 release will be in the next days.

I'm thankful for any suggestion!

Open to discuss any other hdr-evaluation to include

Thank you for your attention!



