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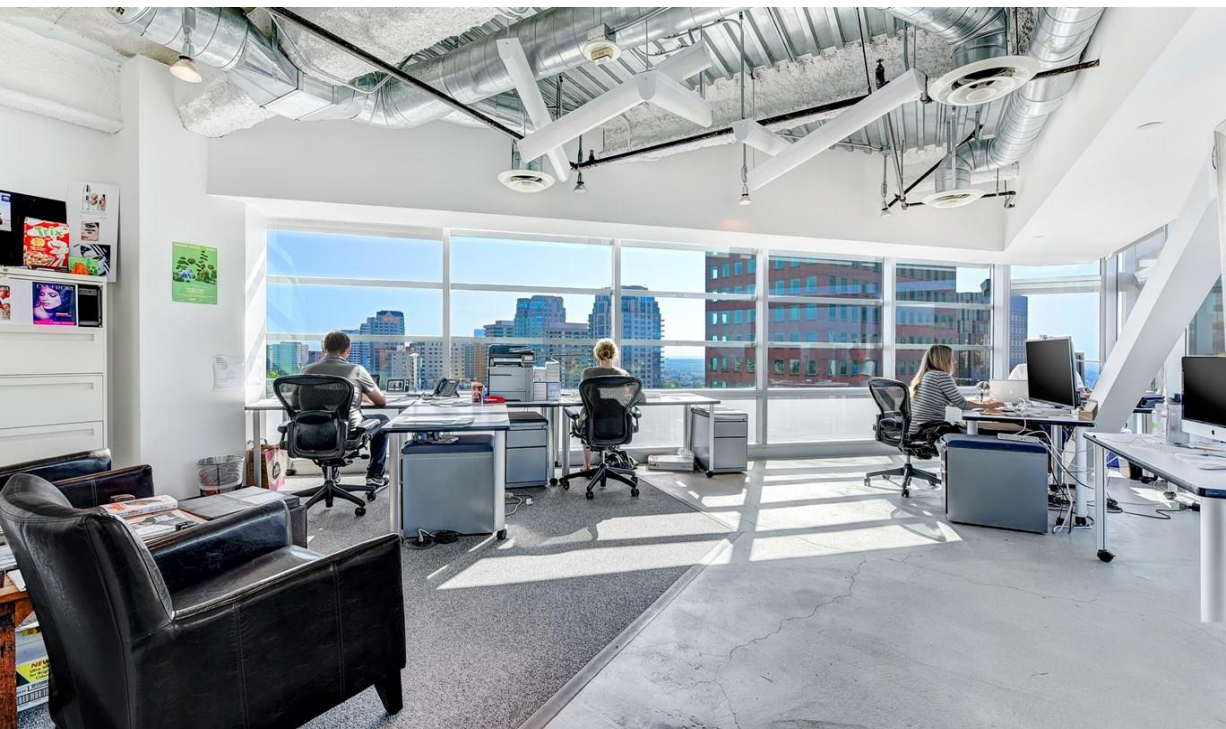
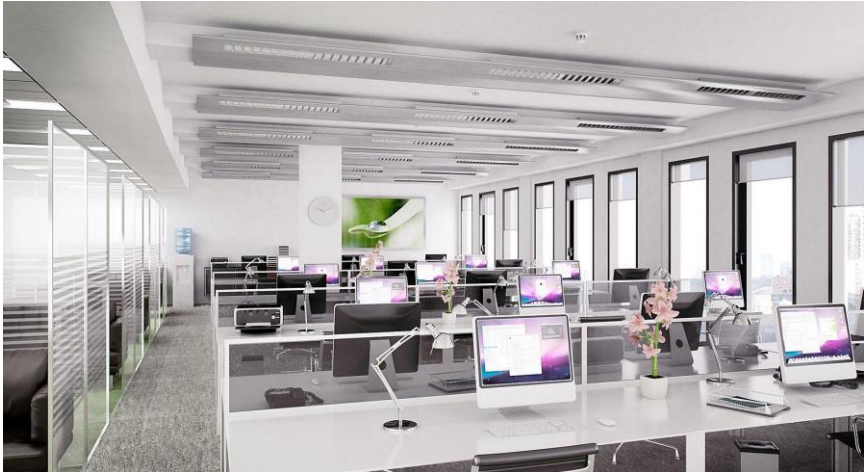
Daylighting performance of three dimensional textile

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Office and roller shade



Problem statement

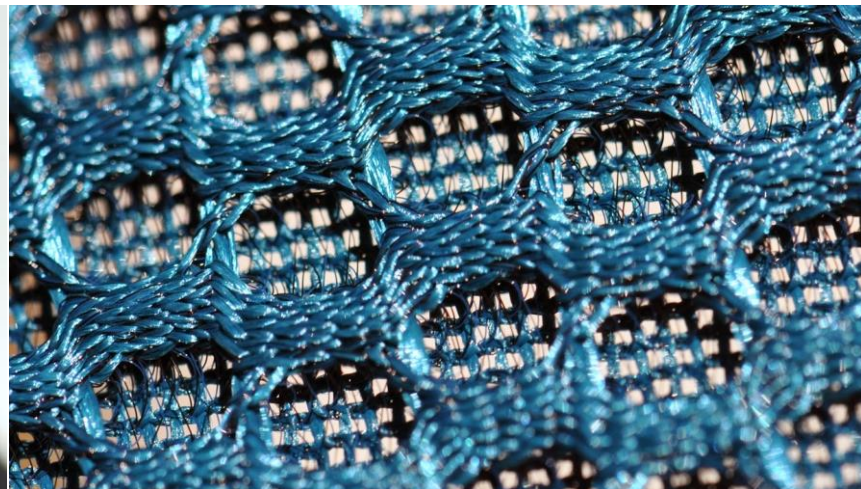
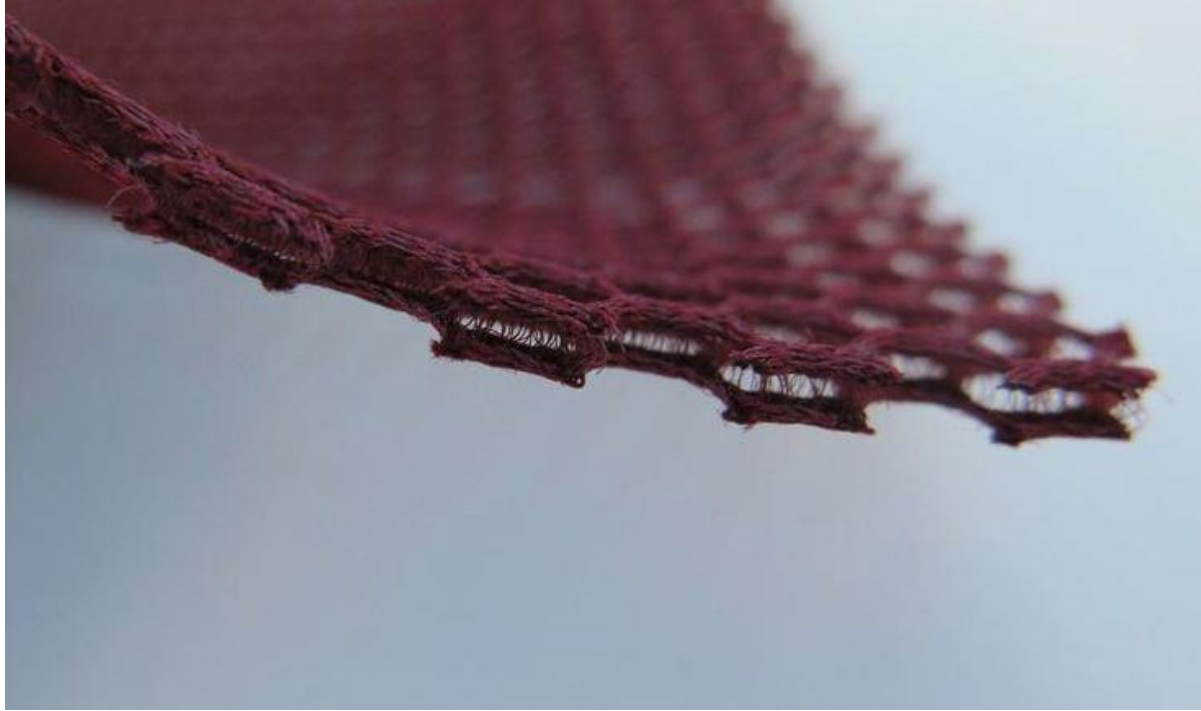
- Average illuminance level during the year
- Light distribution and uniformity in the space
- Visual connection with outdoor environment
- Not effective shading control strategy



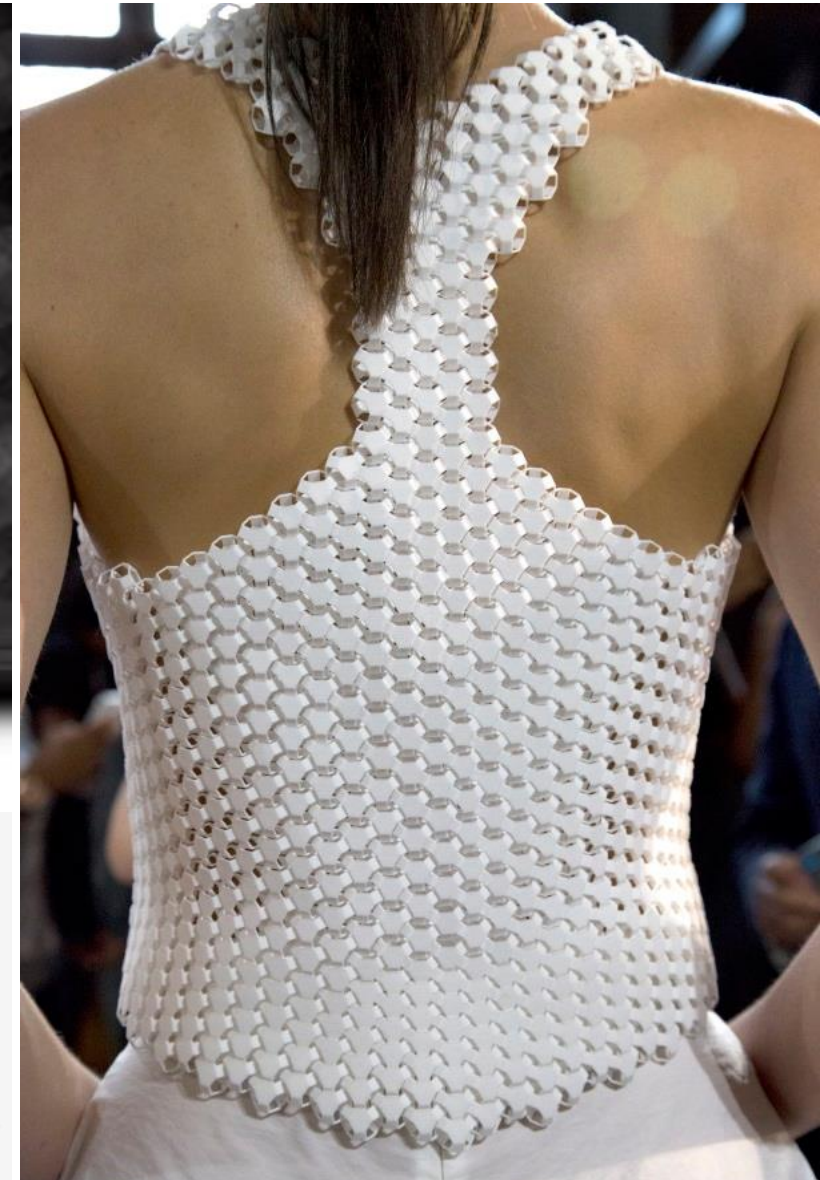
The idea

Poli, A. G. Mainini, R. Paolini, A. Speroni, L. Vercesi, M. Zinzi. Sviluppo di materiali e tecnologie per la riduzione degli effetti della radiazione solare. A. Implementazione delle prestazioni e nuovi prodotti per il controllo della radiazione solare e costruzione di un archivio cartaceo di prodotti innovativi. http://www.enea.it/it/Ricerca_sviluppo/documenti/ricerca-di-sistema-elettrico/edifici-pa/2012/rds-2013-156.pdf Corresponding Author: andrea.giovanni.mainini@polimi.it

Three dimensional textile



3D Textile - Field of application



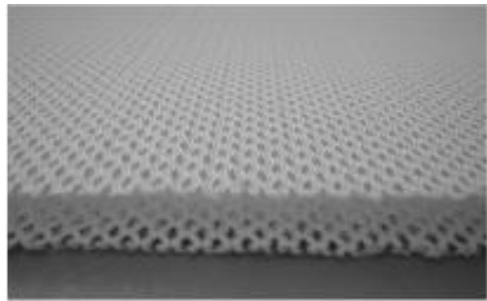
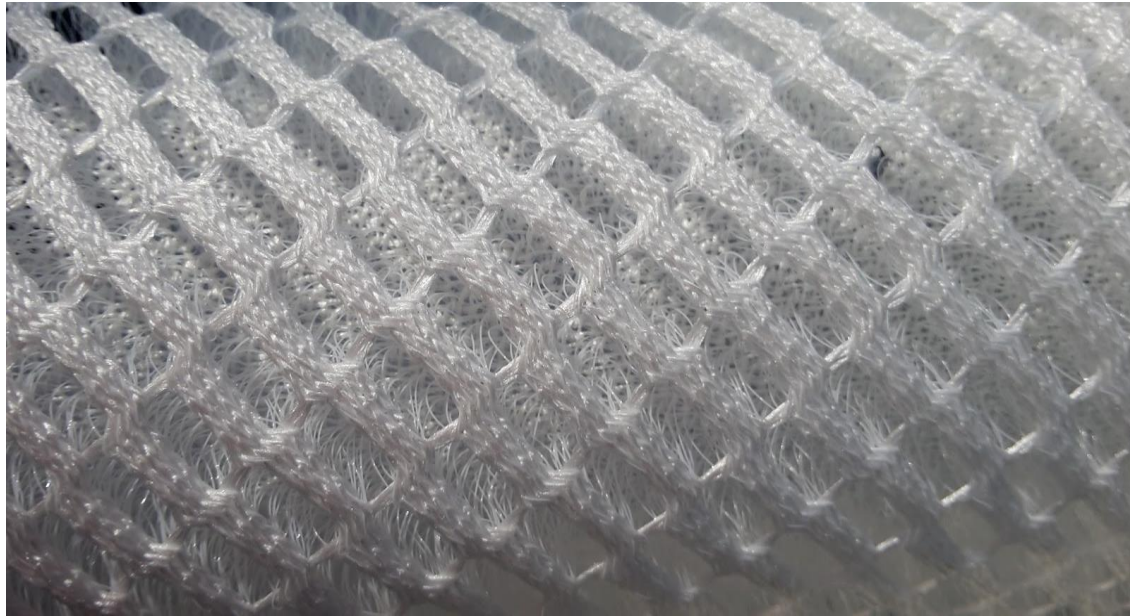
Objective

- Investigate the performance of 3D-warp knitted textile as roller blinds
- Define detailed model for 3D textile shading system
- Use a feasible and accurate method to simulate the complex system
- Assess the annual and point in time performance with different control strategies

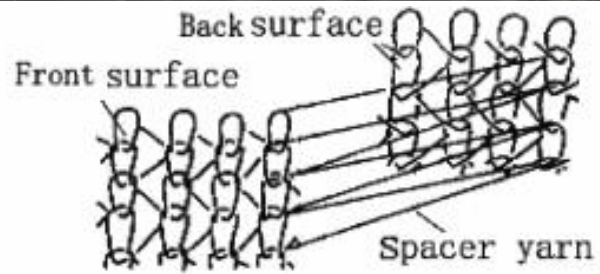
3D-warp knitted textile

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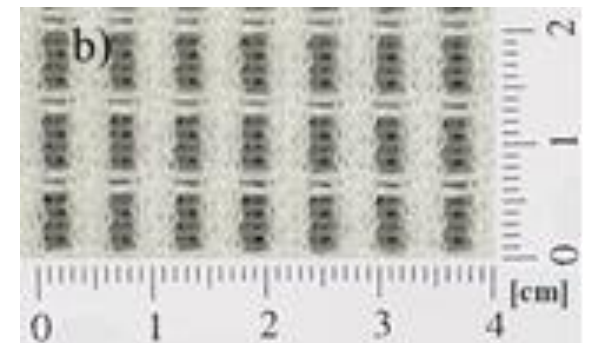
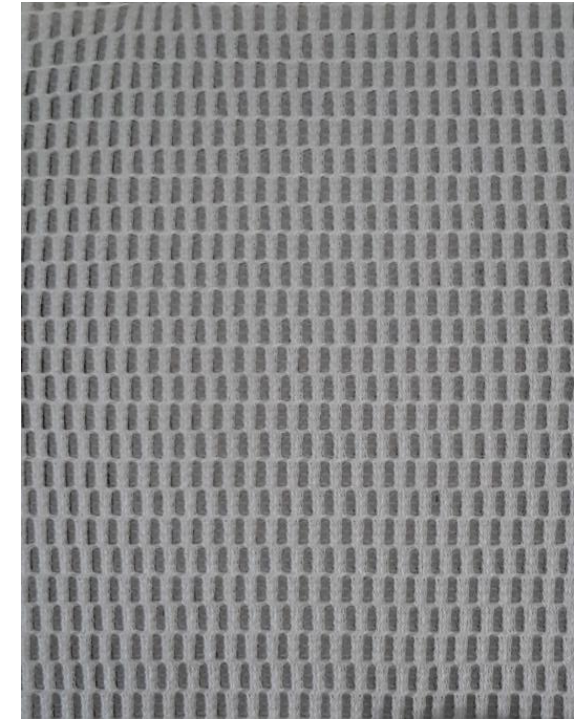
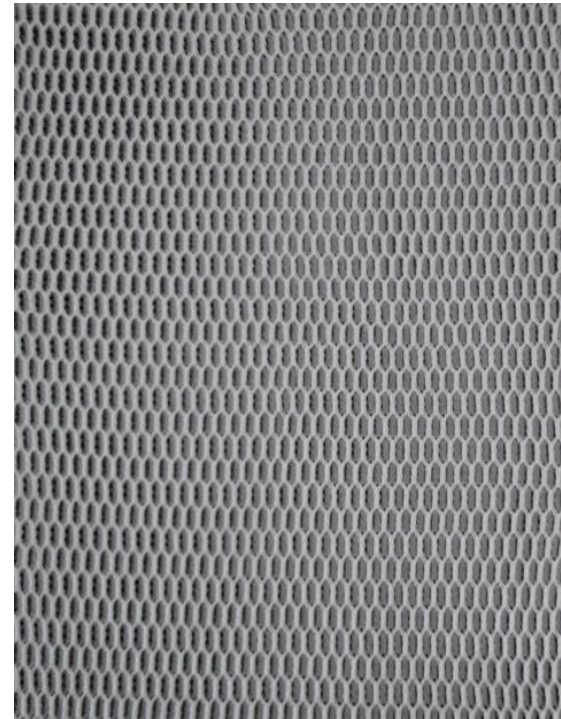
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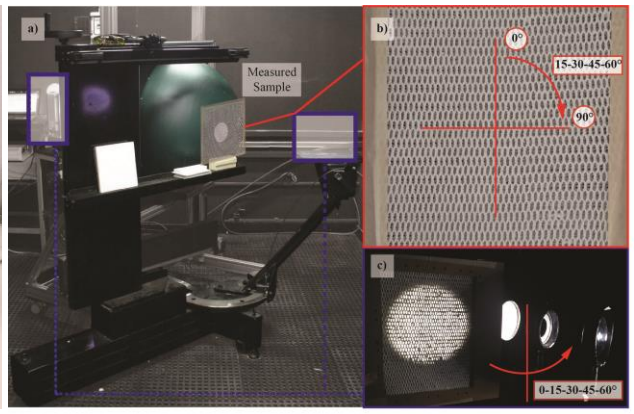


(a) Fabric sample



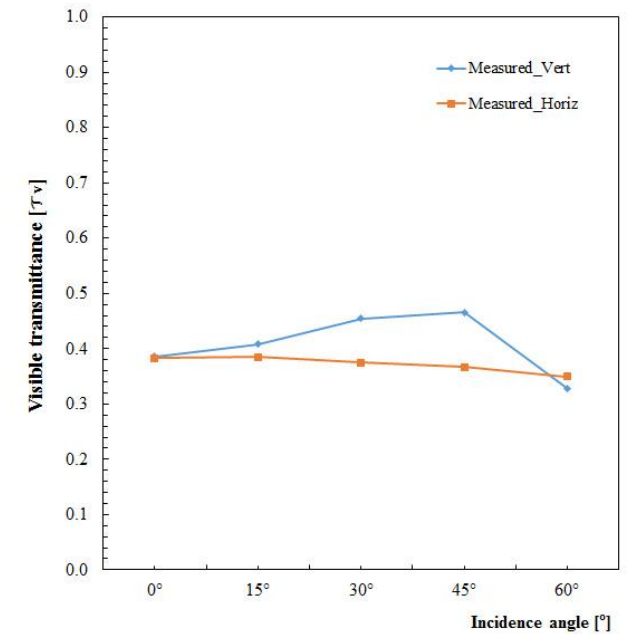
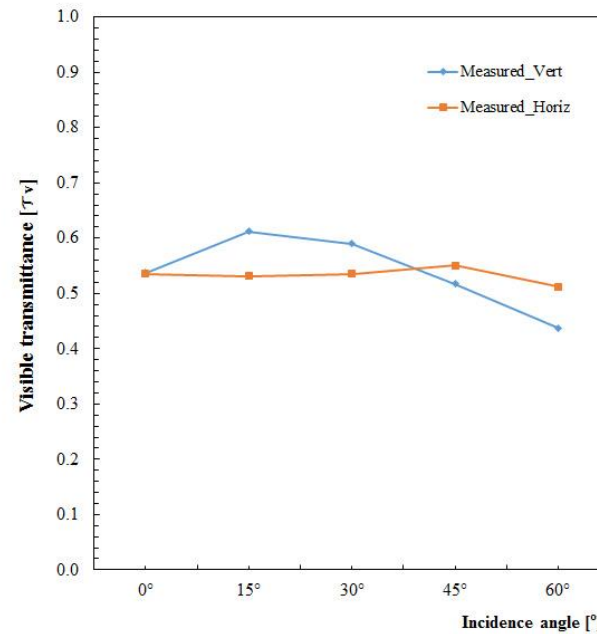
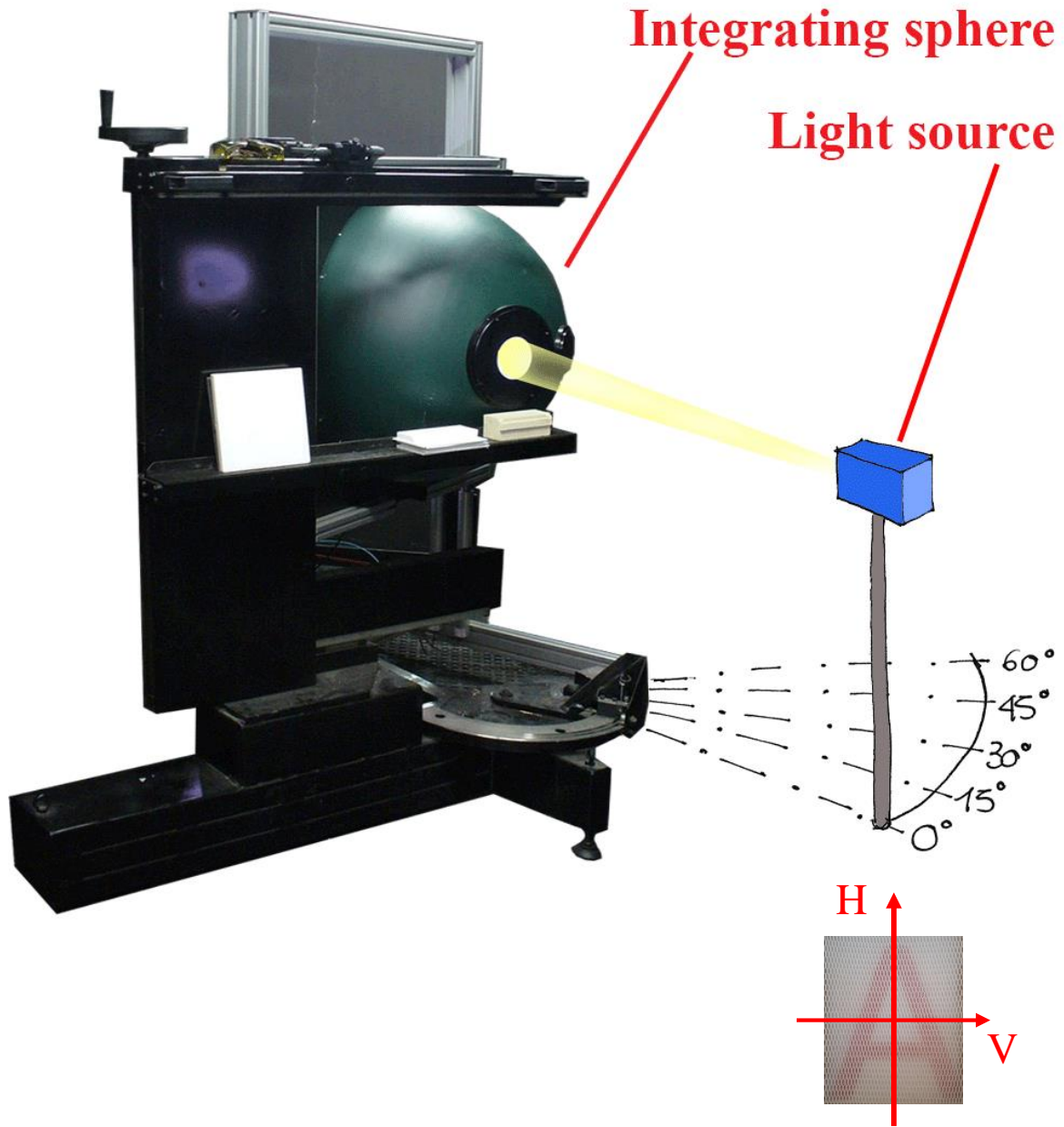
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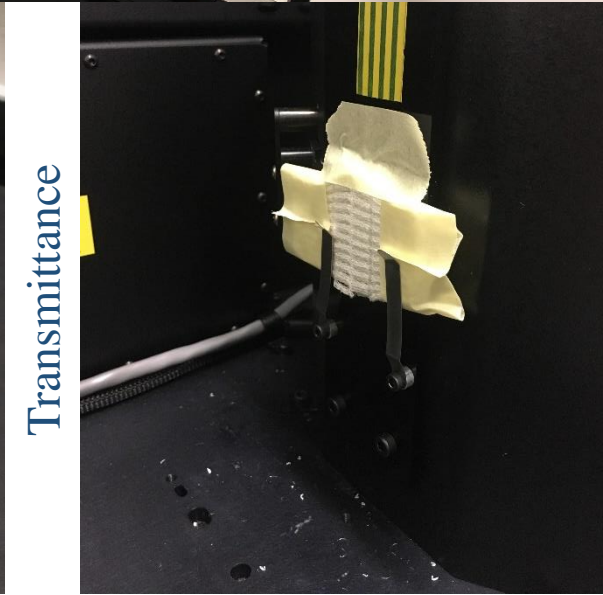
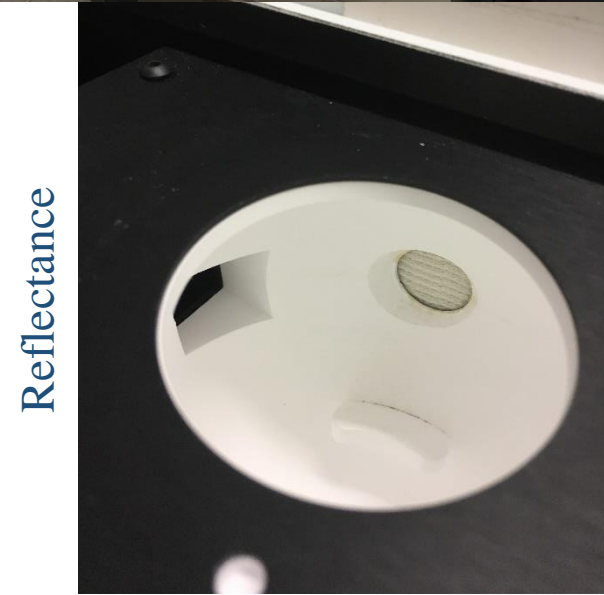
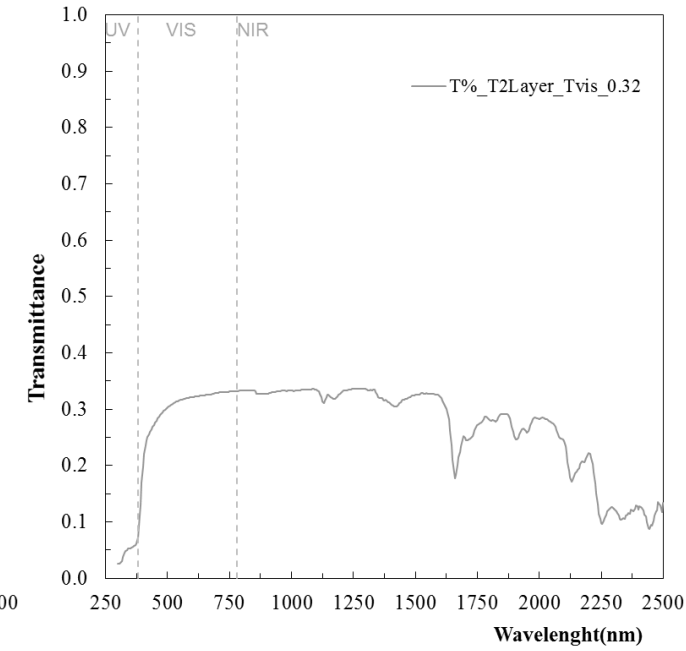
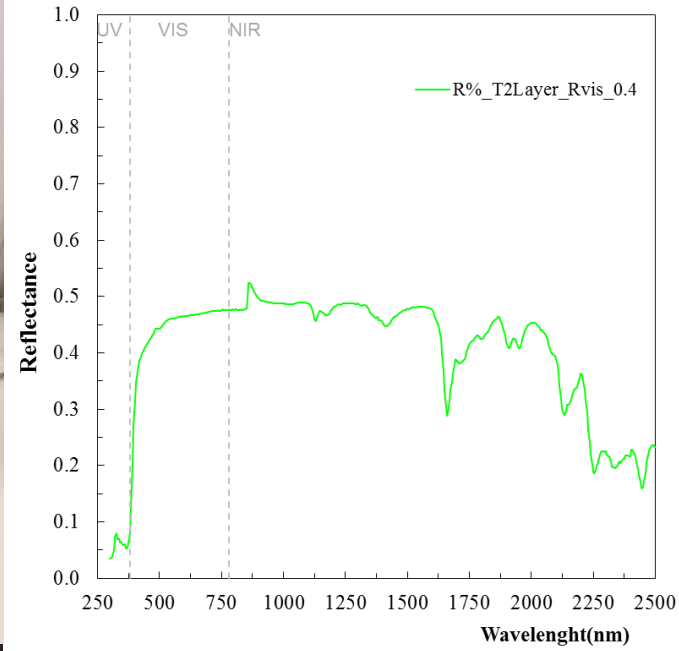


Measurements

Angular transmittance



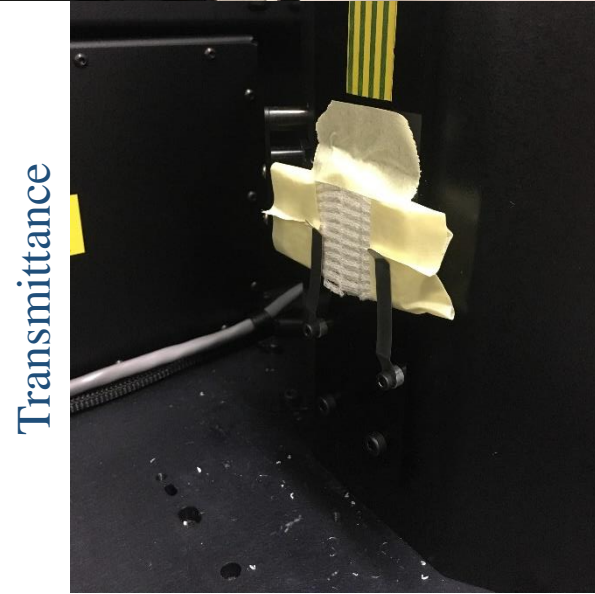
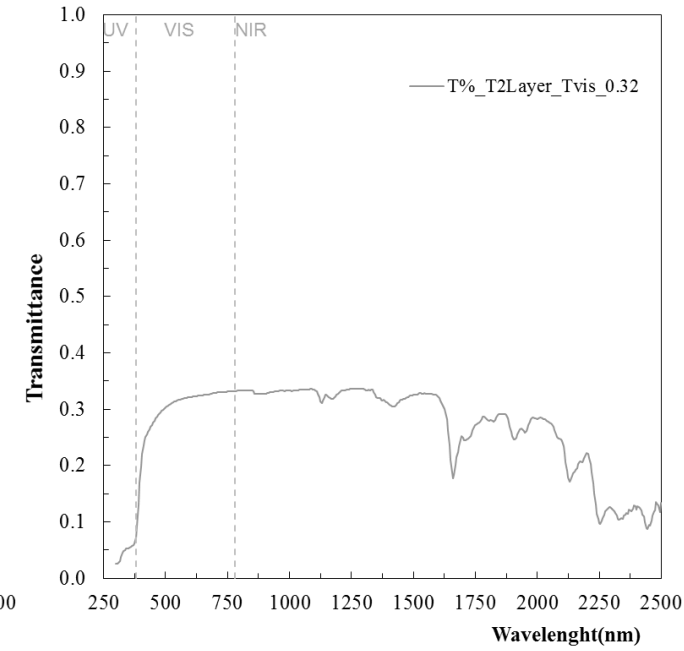
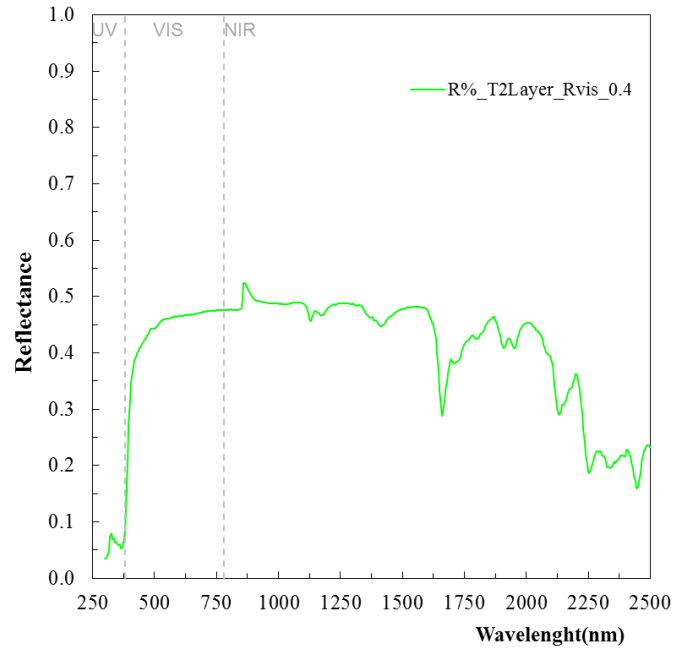
Spectral transmittance and reflectance



Reflectance

Transmittance

Spectral transmittance and reflectance



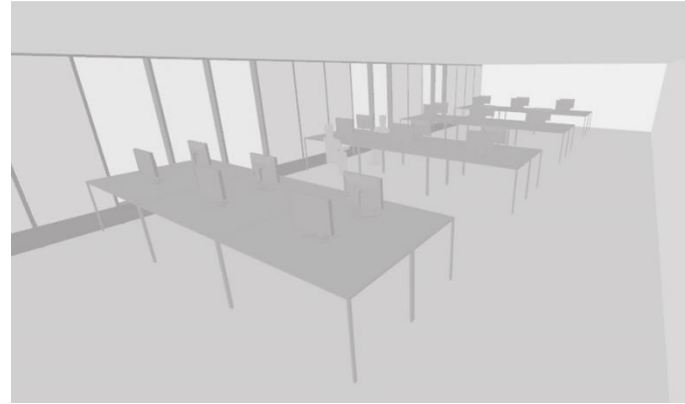
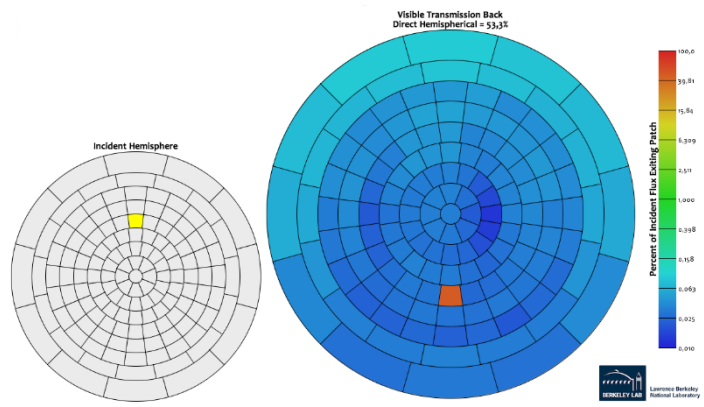
T2 Trans material

void trans T2

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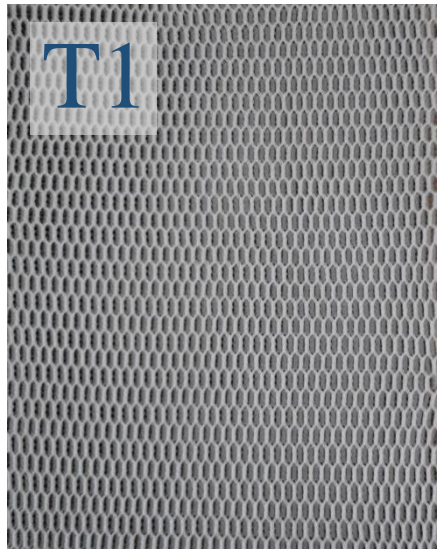
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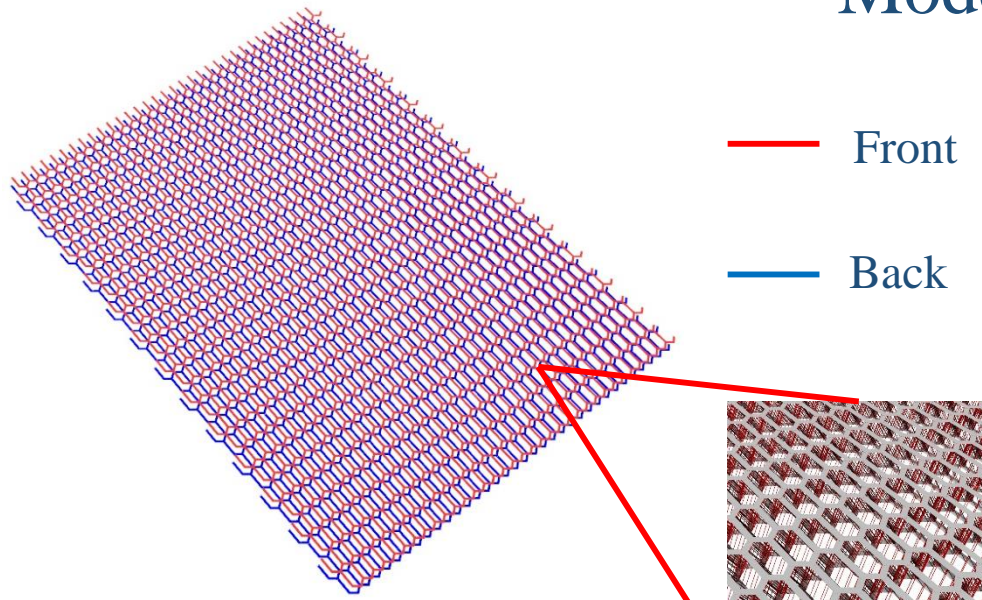
Modelling

Bi-directional Scattering Distribution Function

Model and material definition

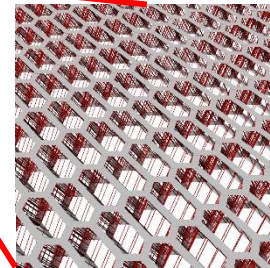


50 x 70



— Front

— Back



Model dimension 50 x 70 cm

void plastic T1_Front & Back

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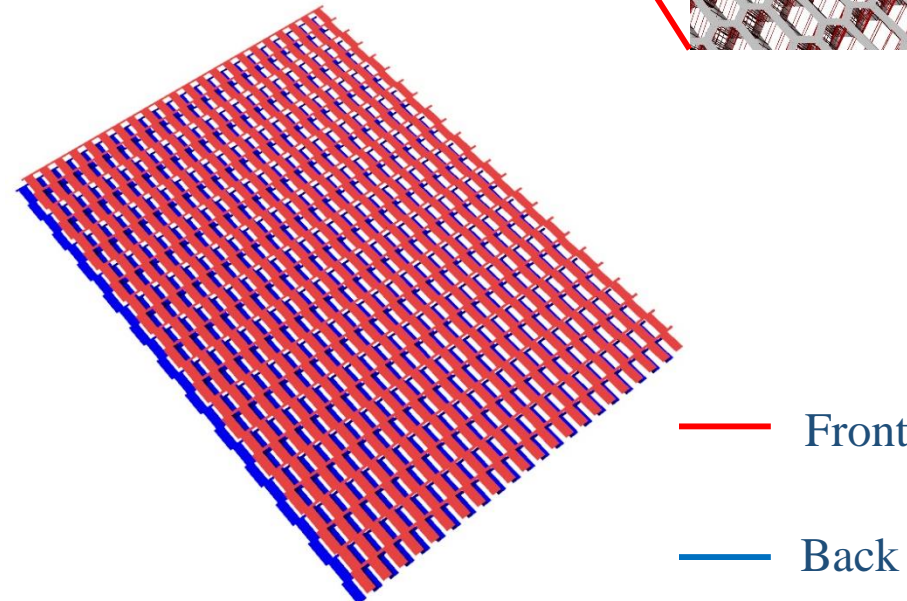
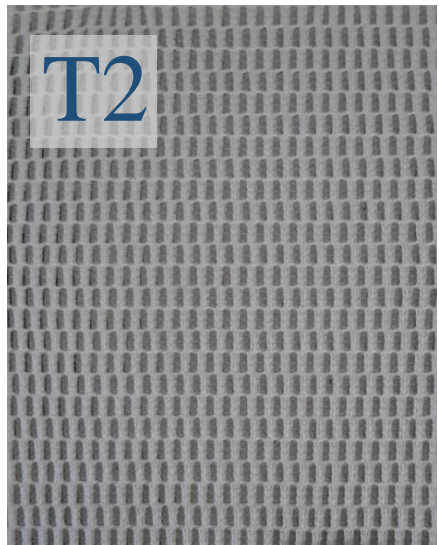
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void plastic T1_Wires

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— Front

— Back

Model dimension 50 x 70 cm

void trans T2 Front & Back

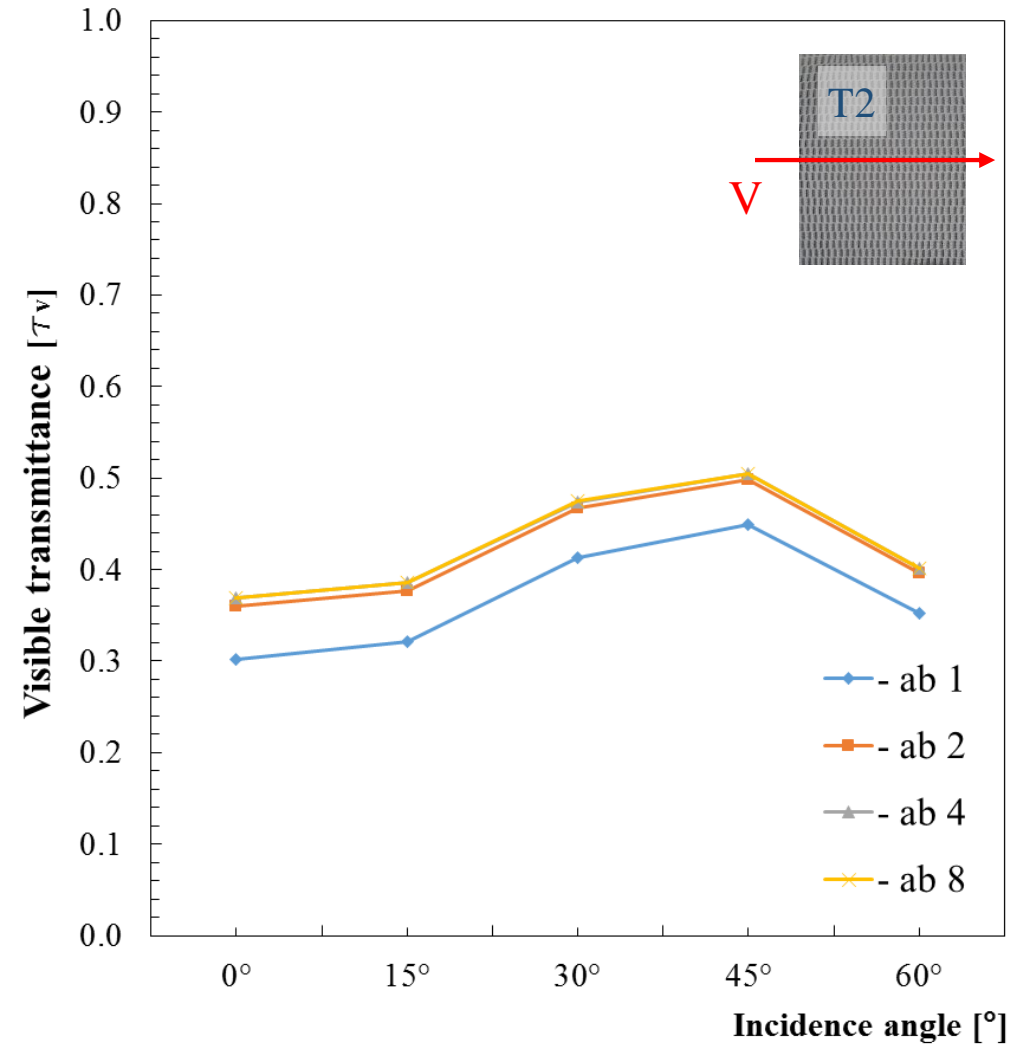
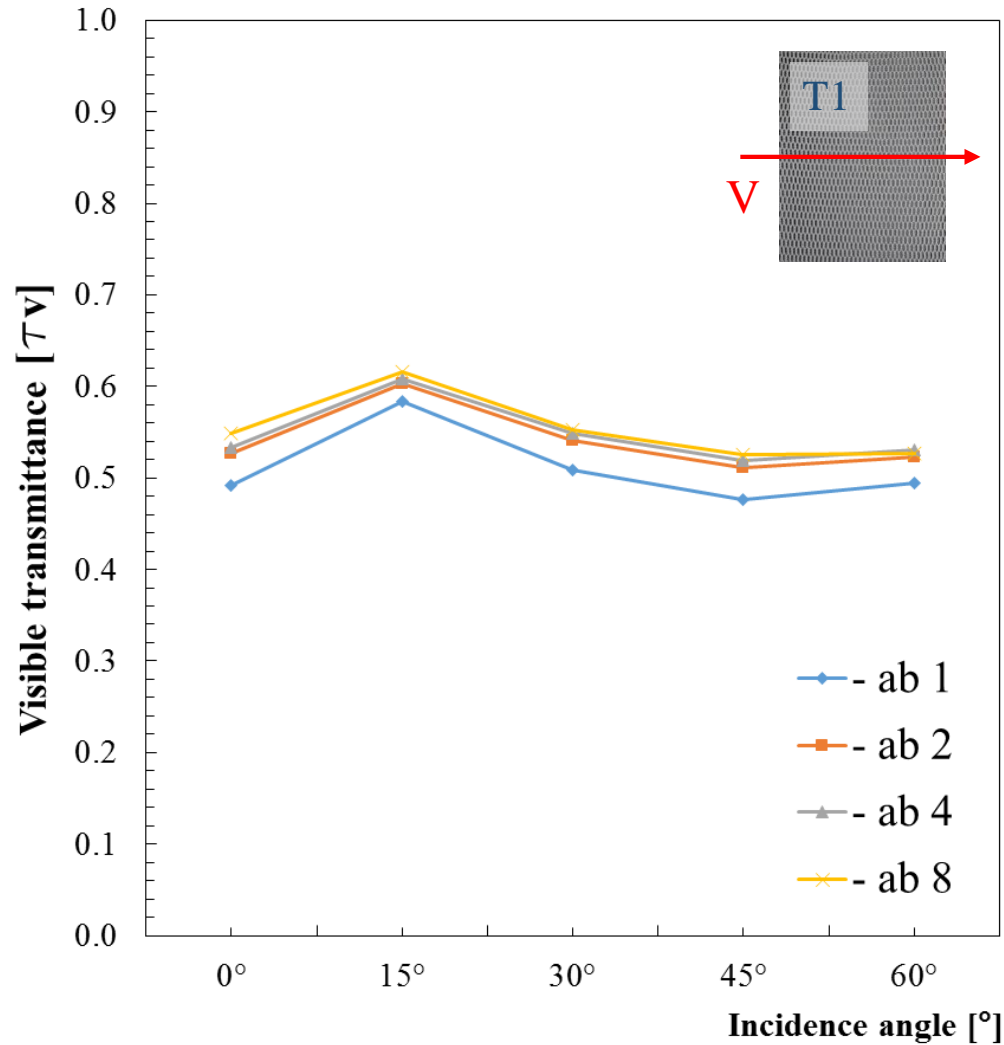
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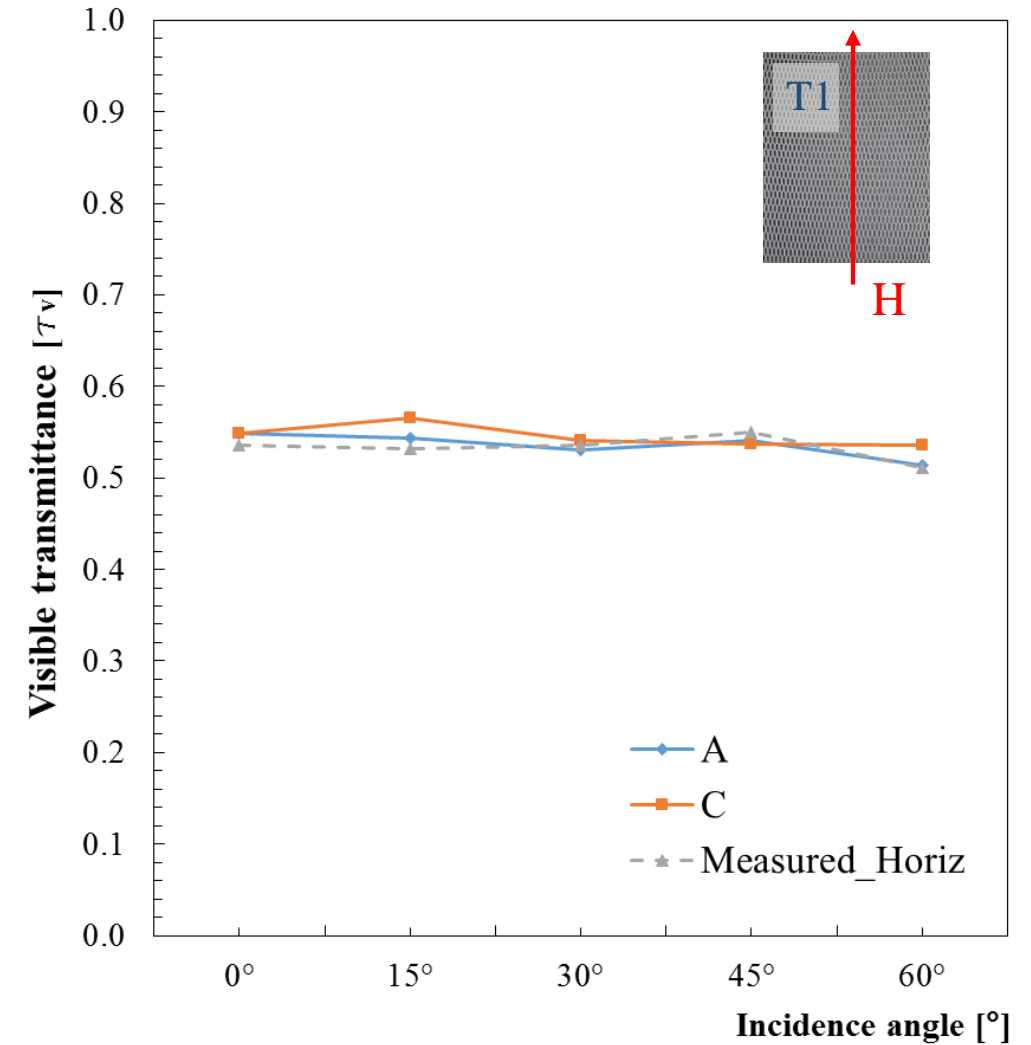
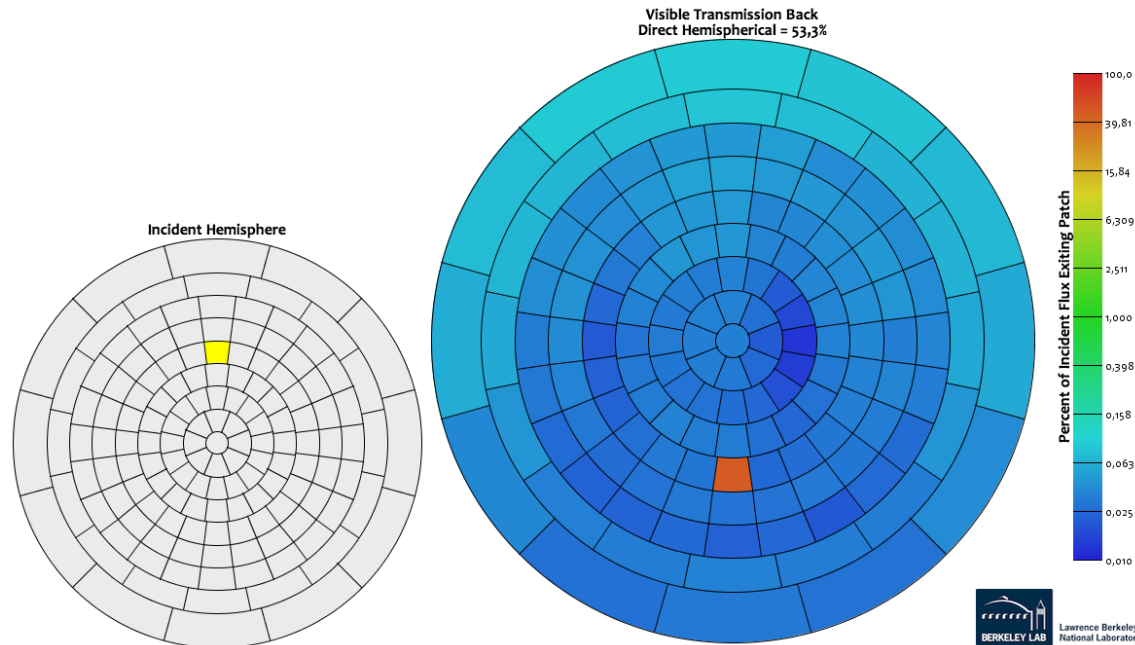
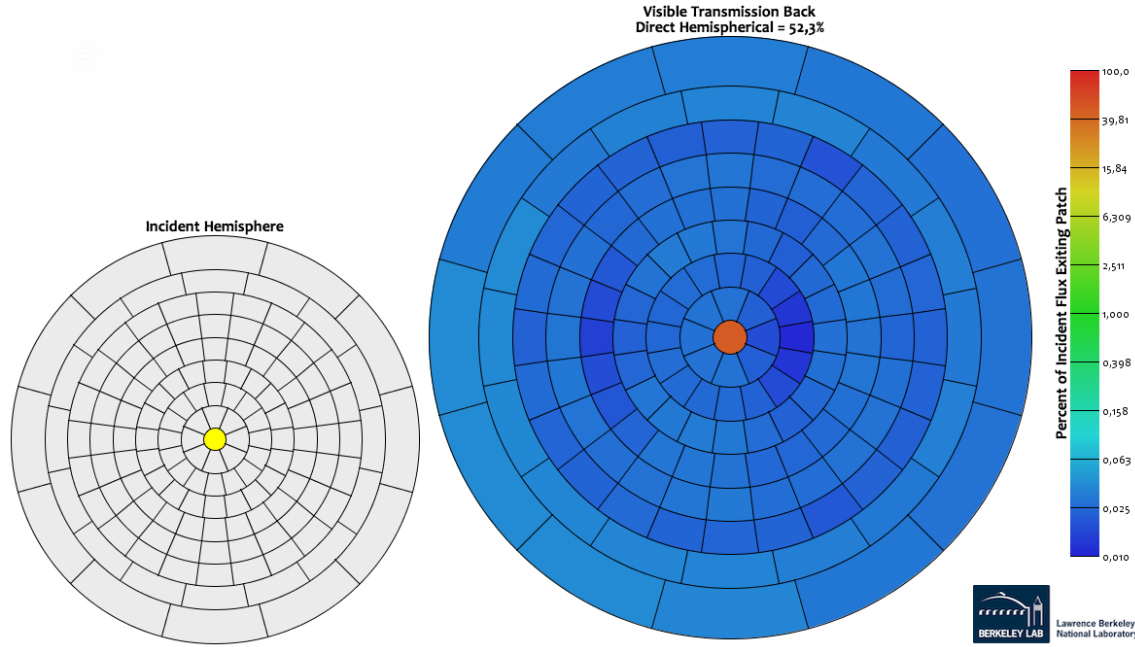
Bi-directional Scattering Distribution Function

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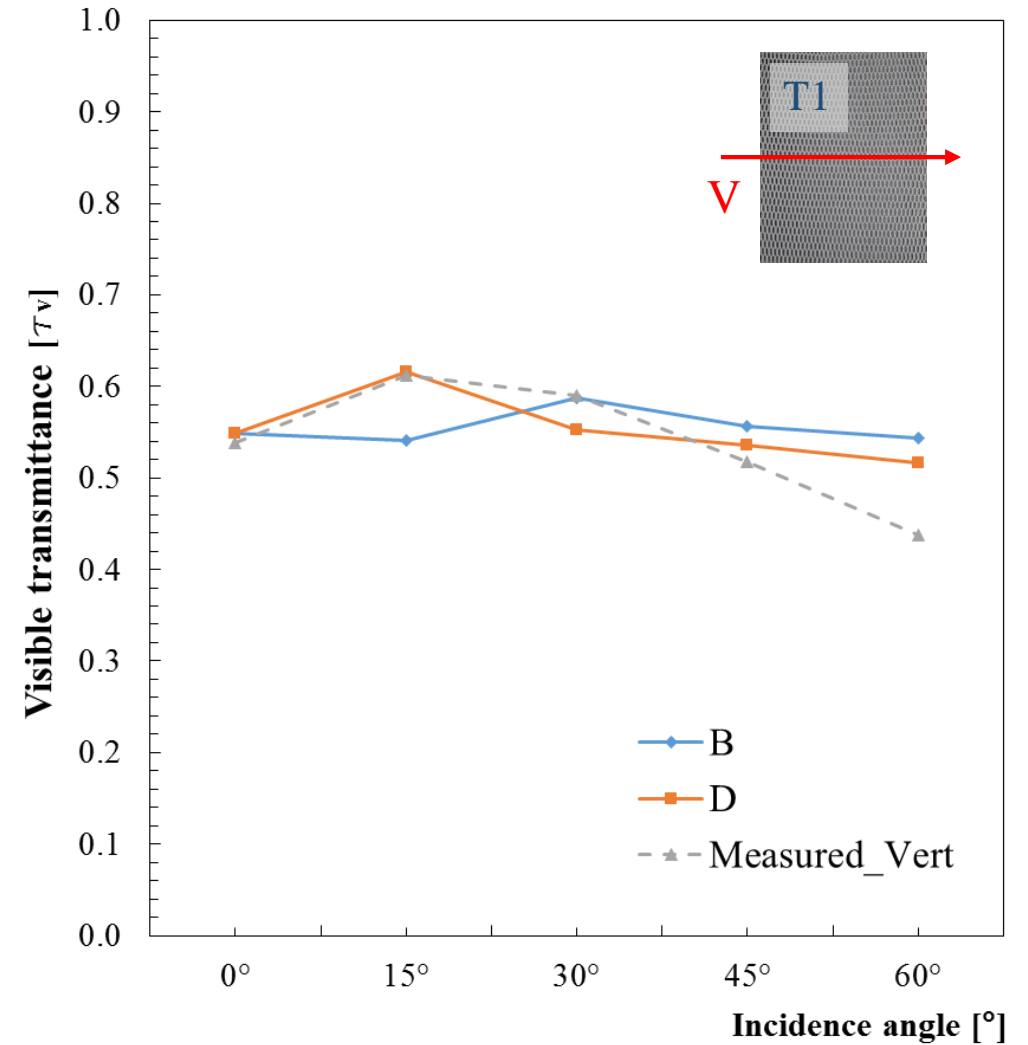
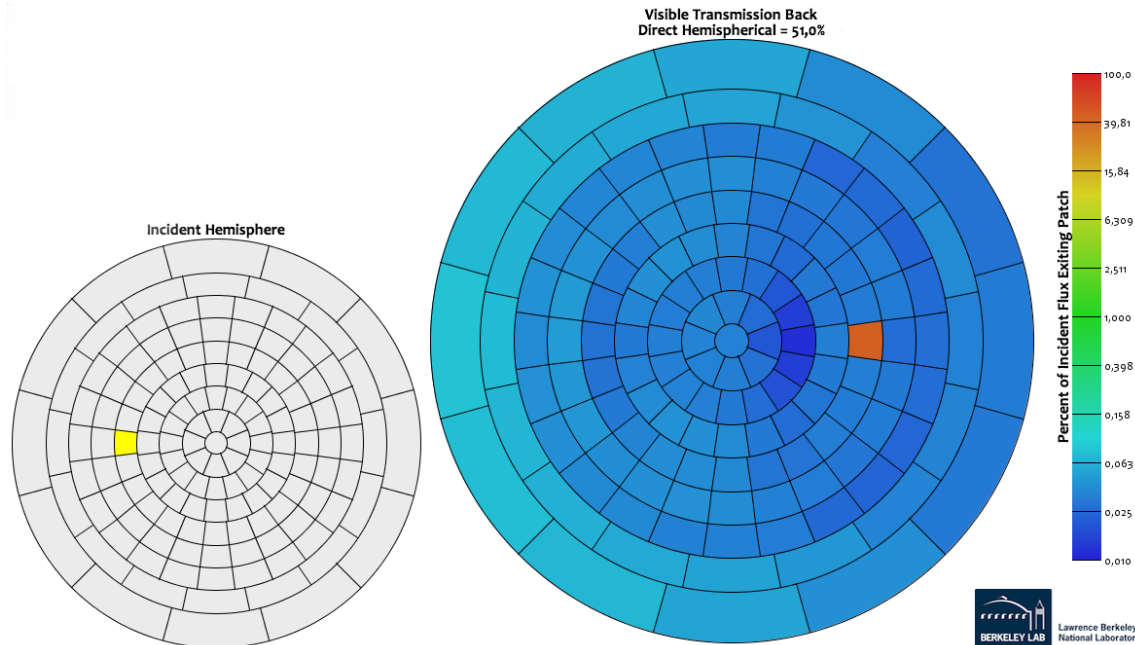
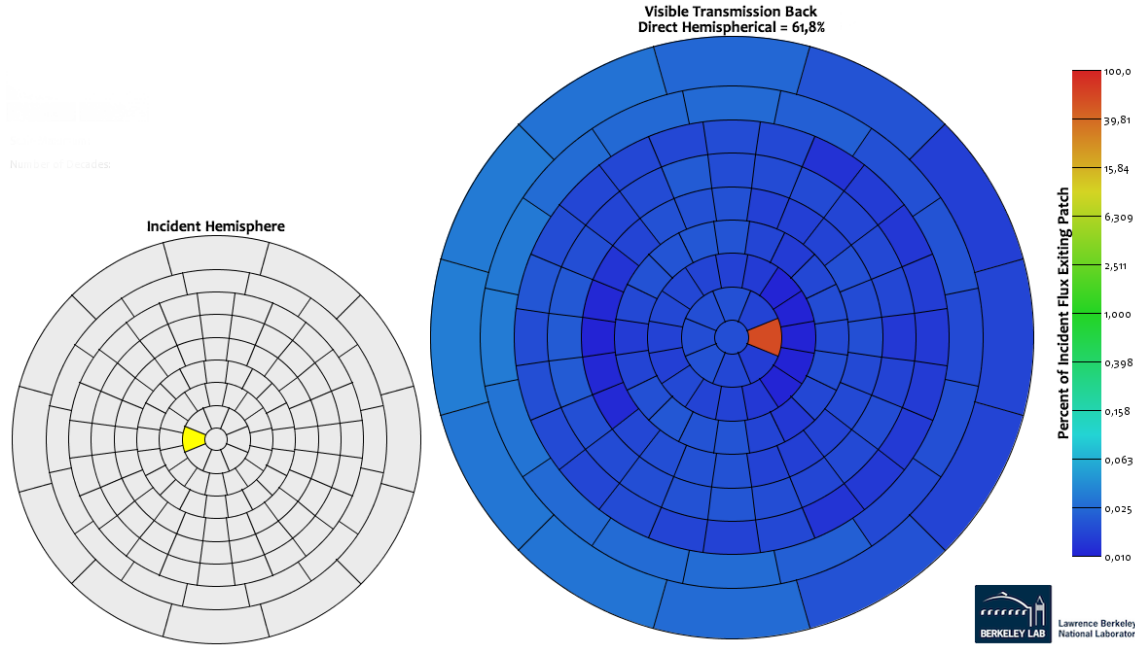


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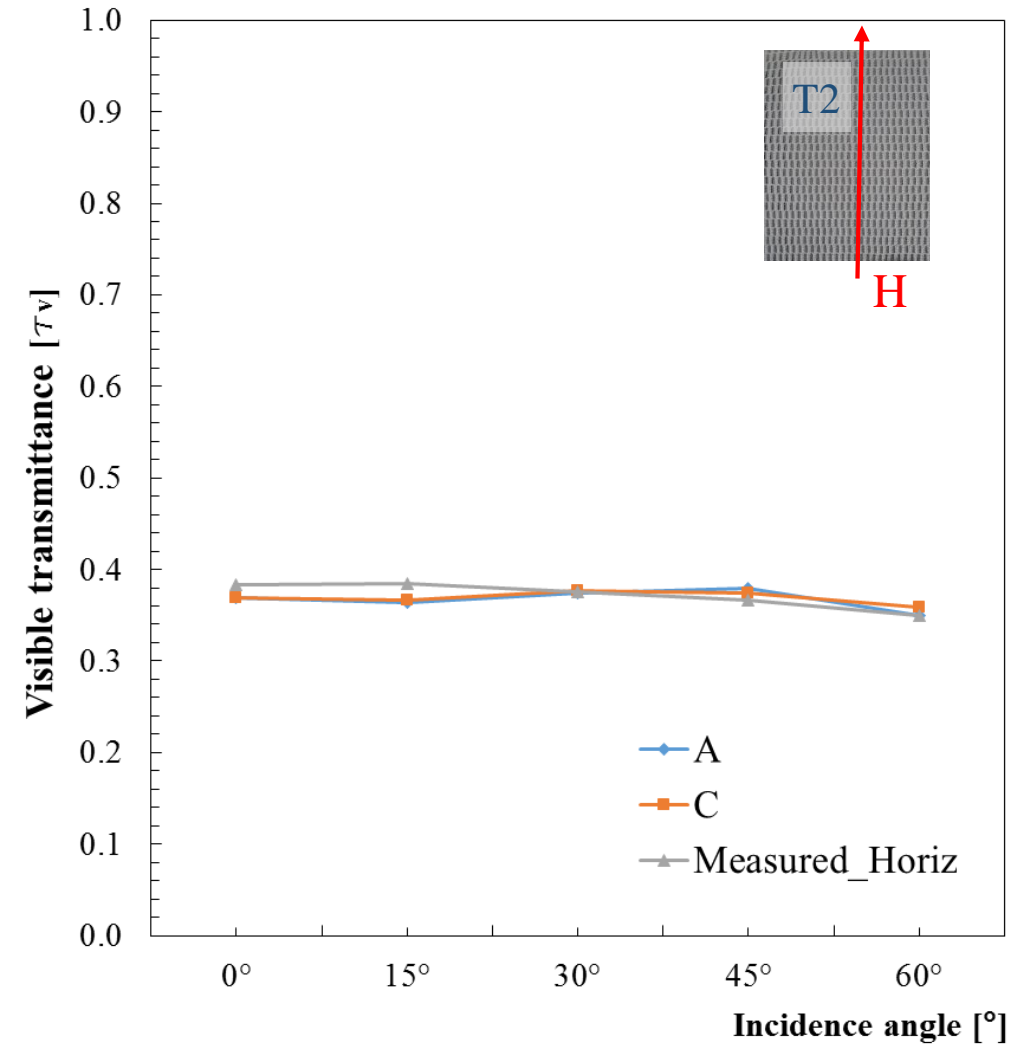
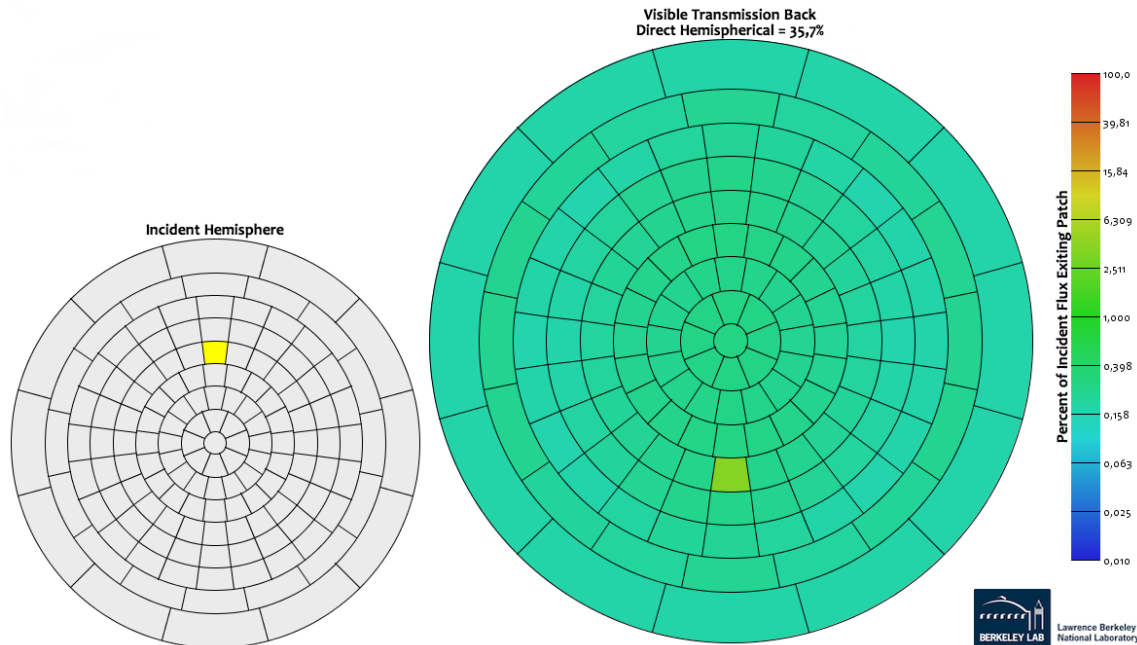
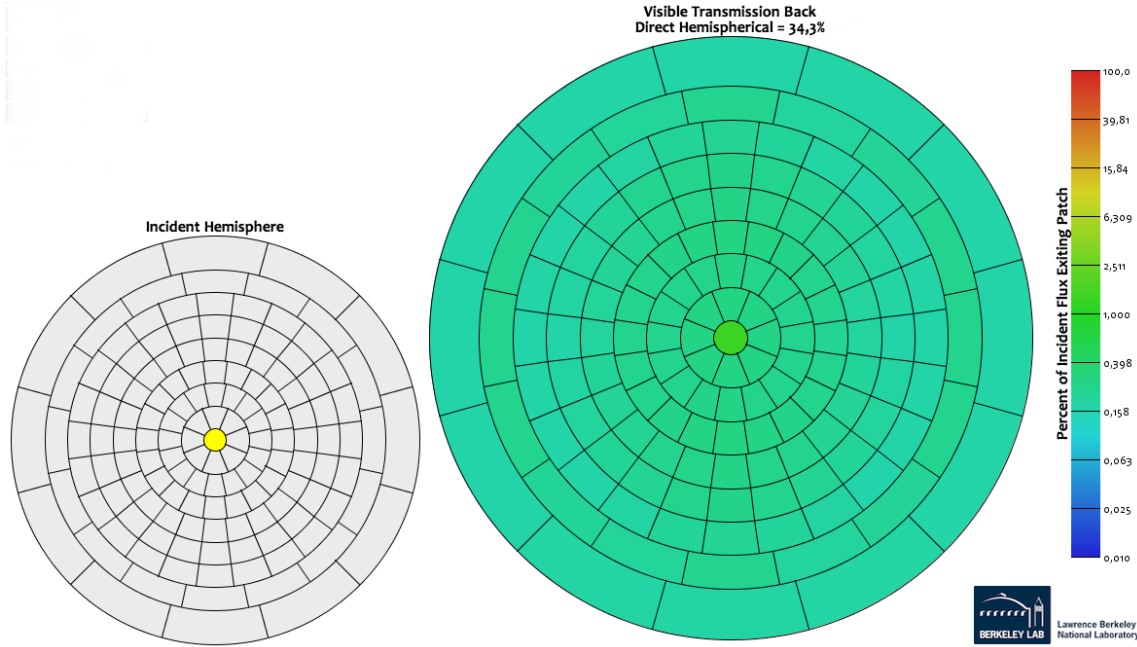
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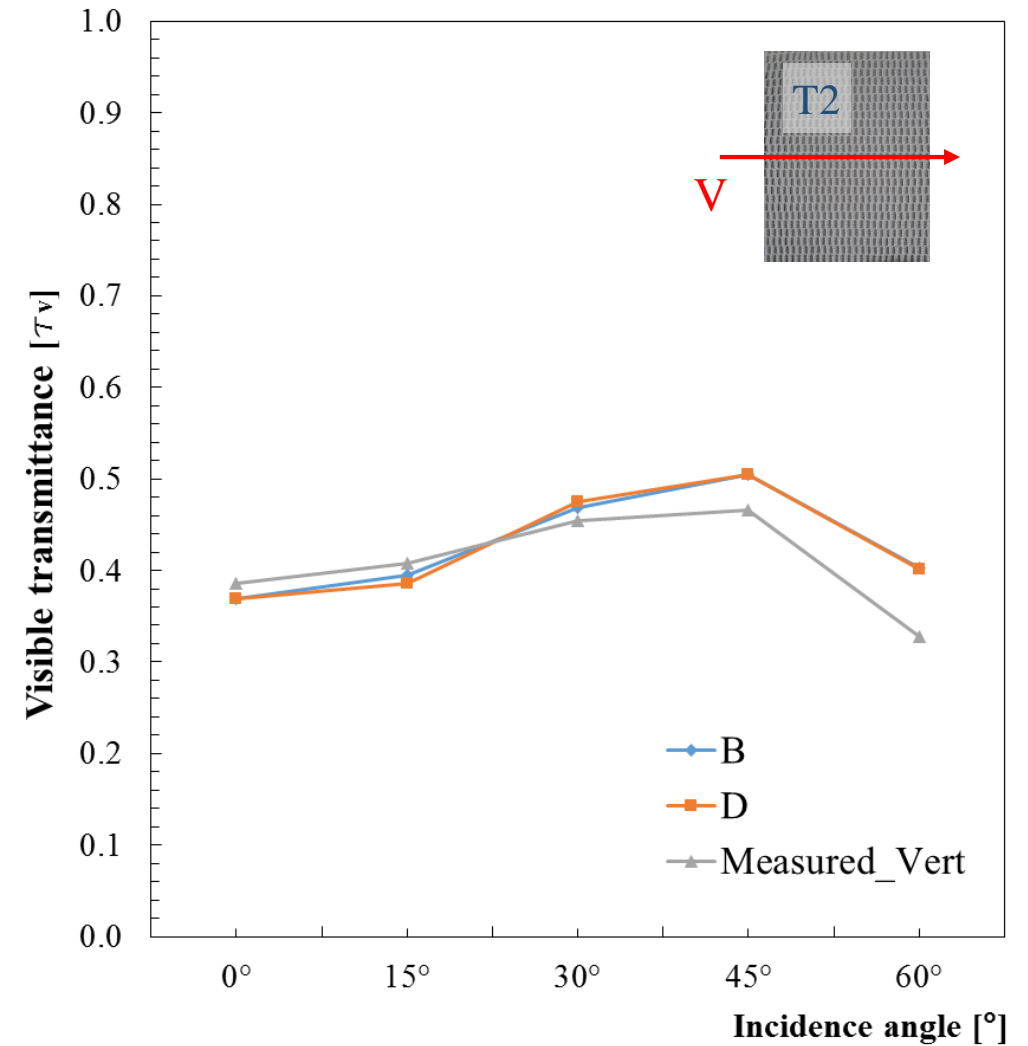
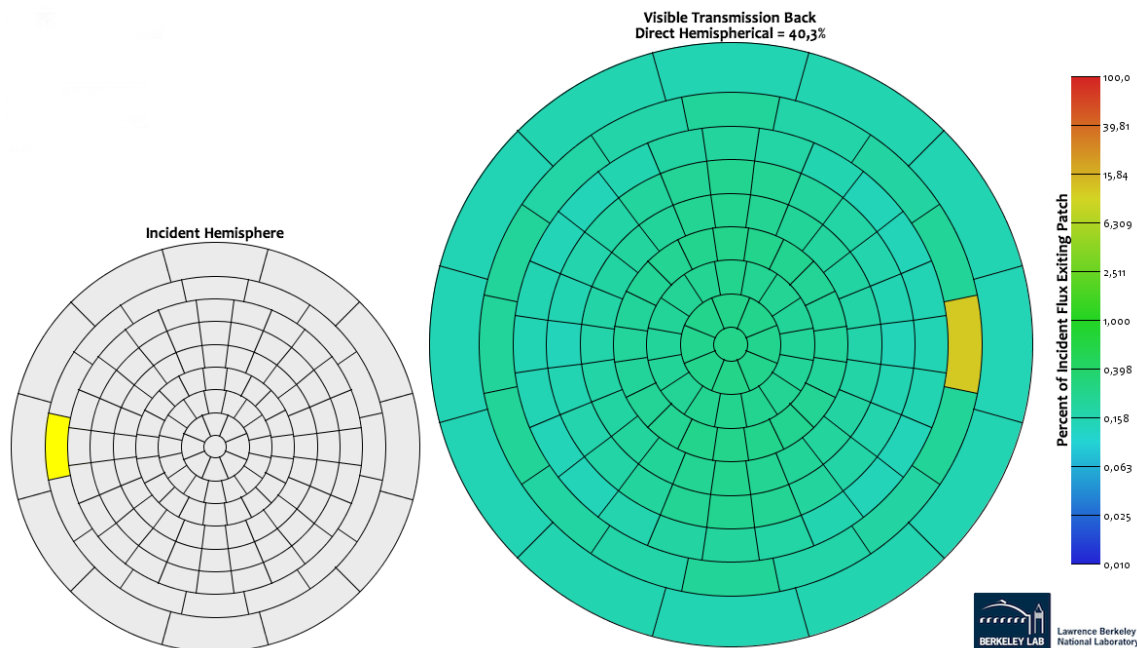
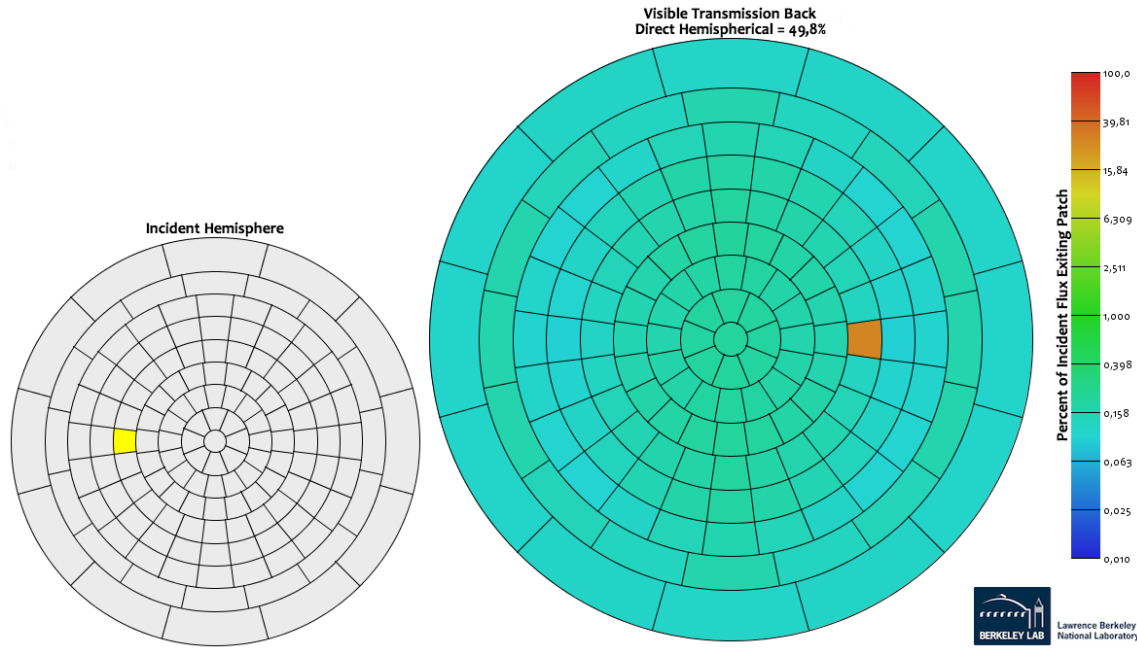
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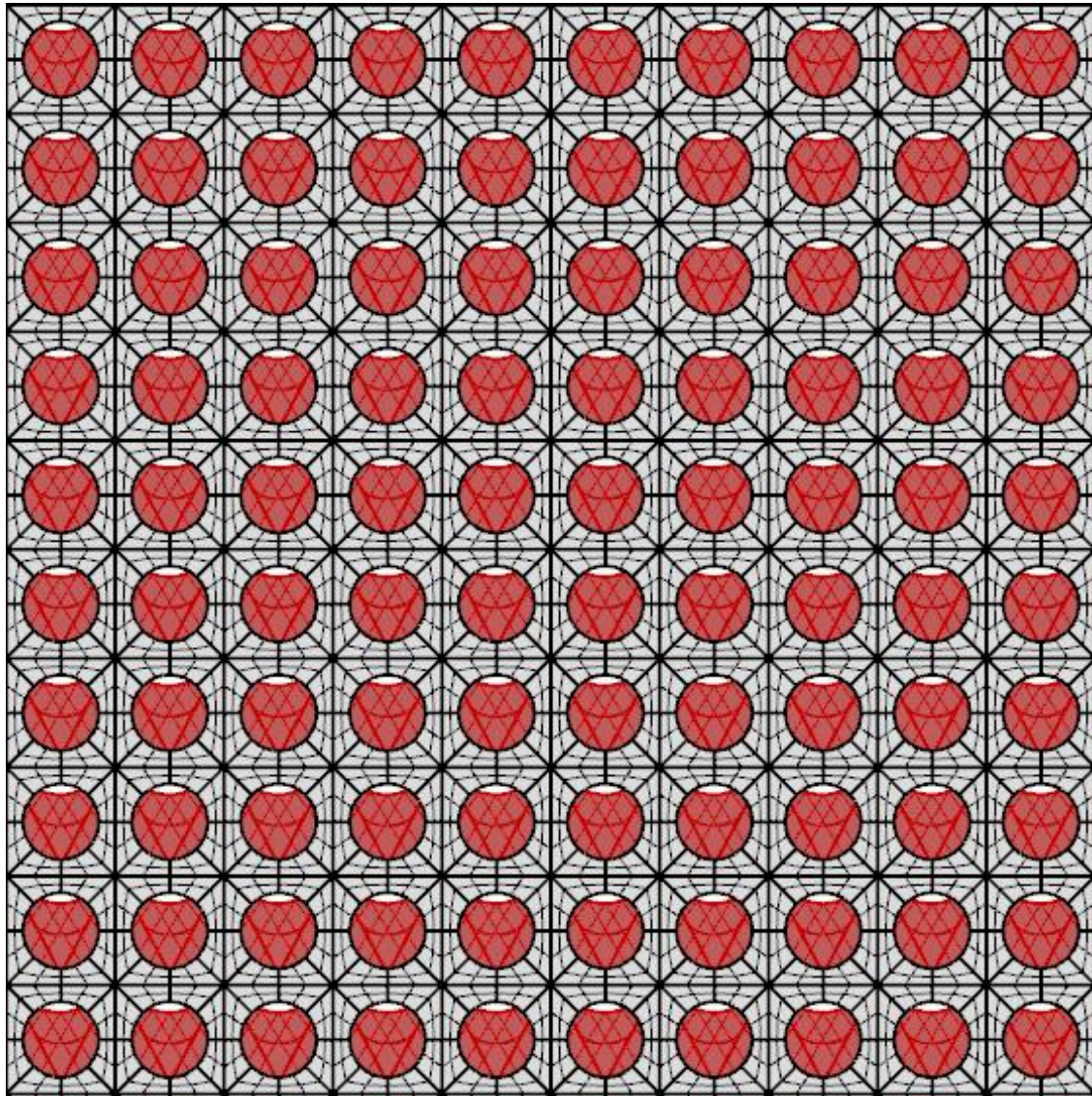
T2 - Bi-directional Scattering Distribution Function



T2 - Bi-directional Scattering Distribution Function



A new custom-made 3D textile

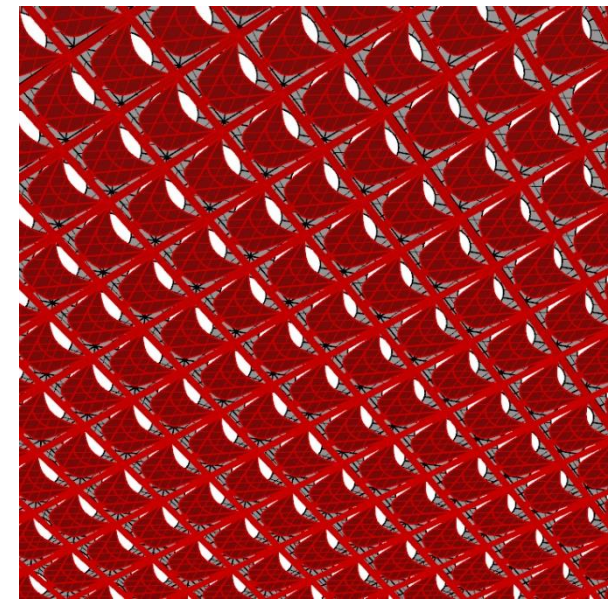
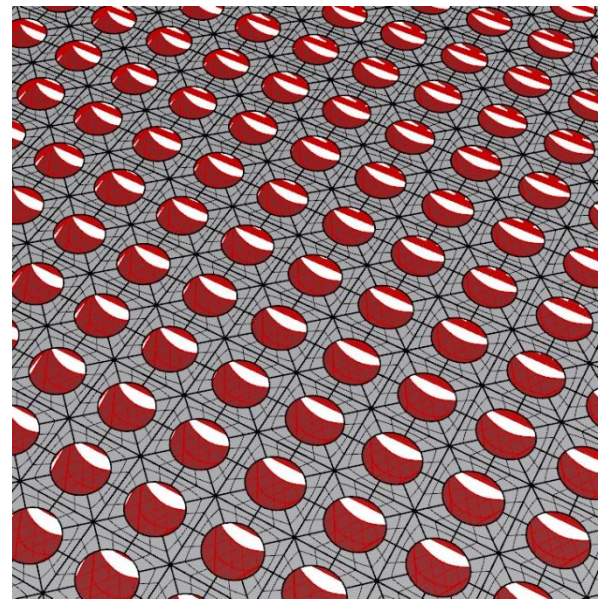


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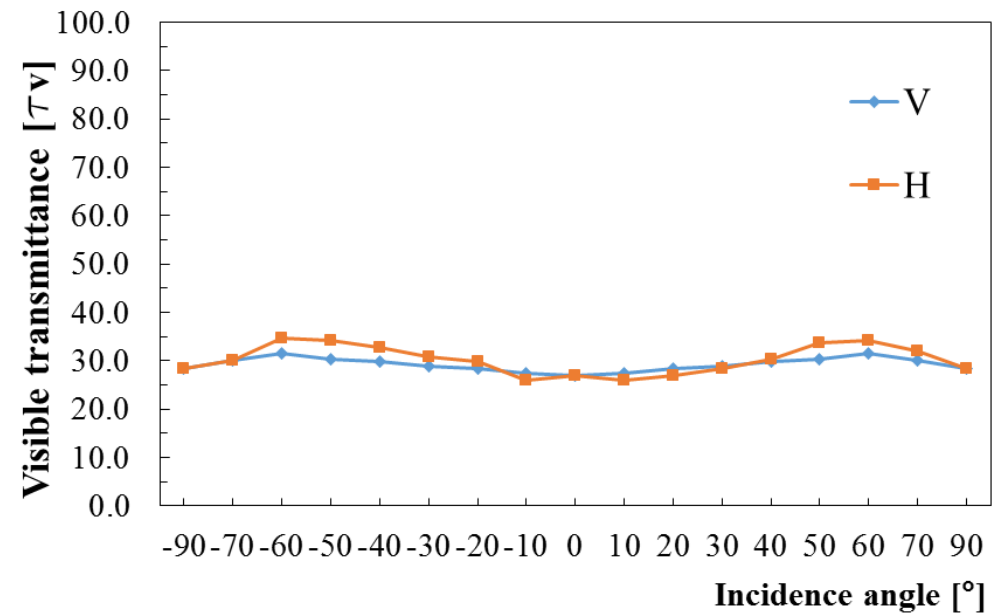
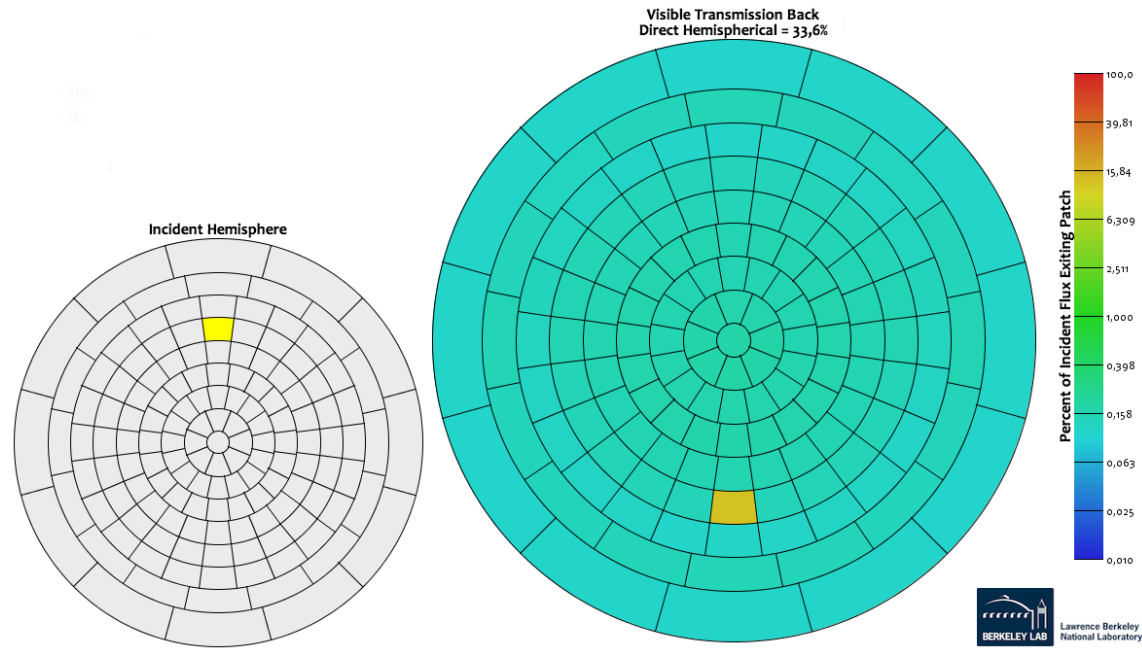
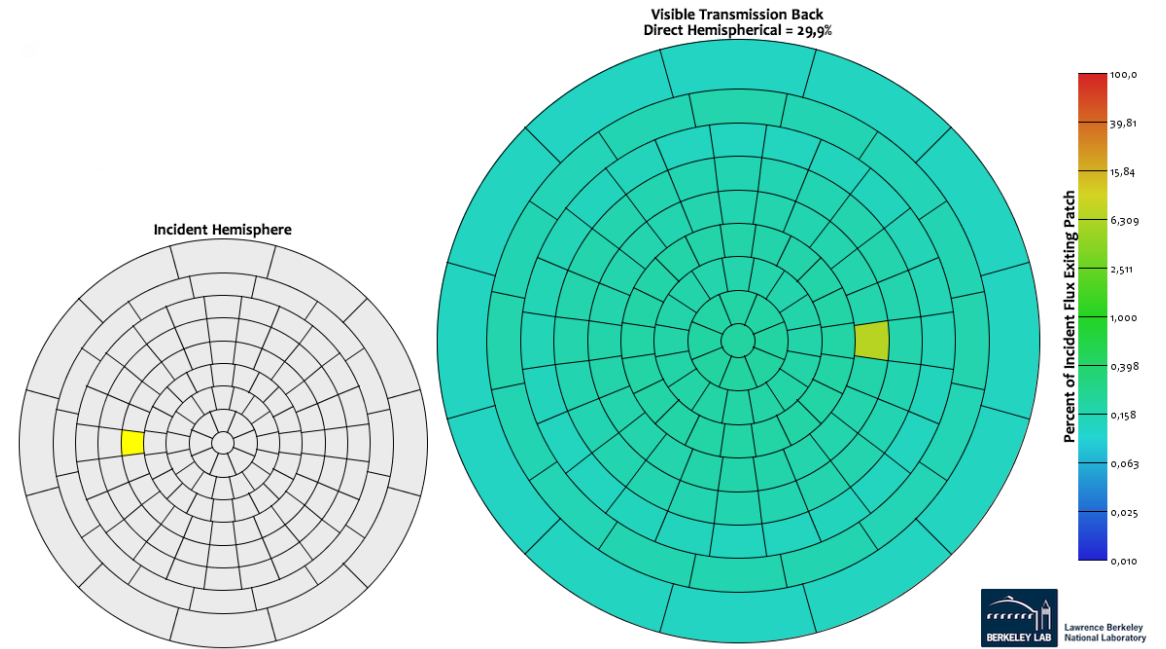
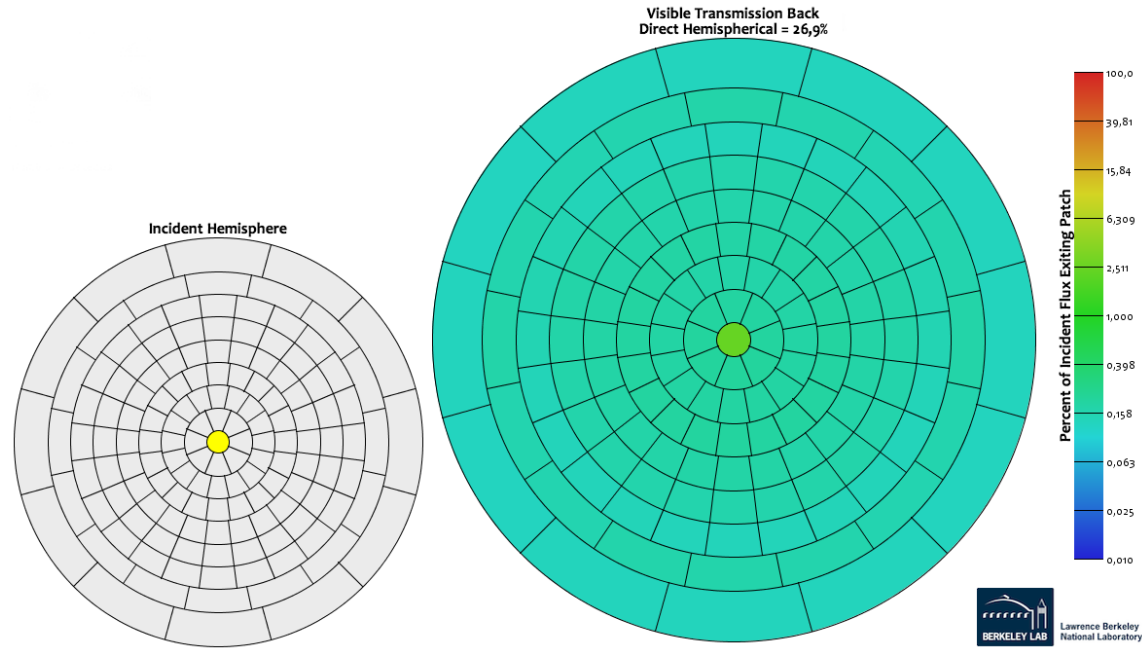
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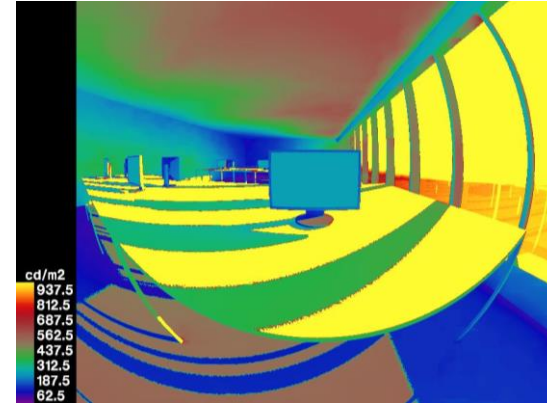
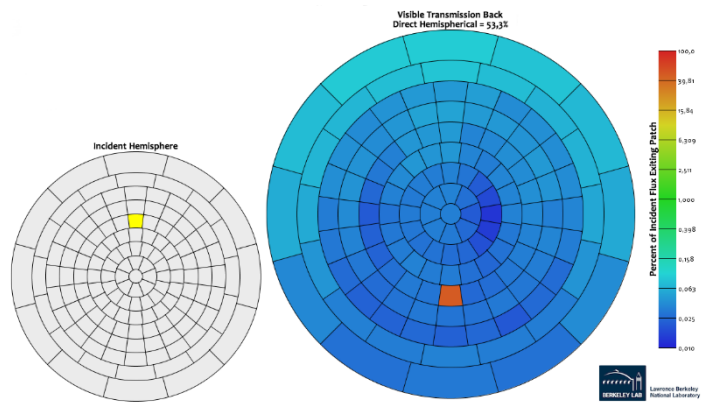
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A new custom-made 3D textile



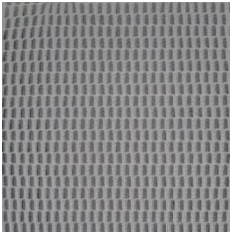
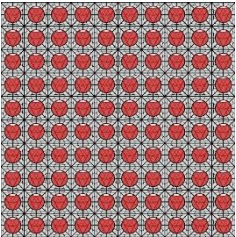




Simulations

Model

Case studies

	Glass - No Shade	void glass glazing 0 0 3 0.71 0.71 0.71
	Traditional Roller shade	void trans Roller_shade 0 0 7 0.87 0.87 0.87 0.000 0.000 0.25 0.05
	T2 - 3D Textile roller shade	void BSDF Roller_shade 6 0 Shade/T2_bsdf.xml 0 0 1 0 0
	TM - 3D Textile roller shade	void BSDF Roller_shade 6 0 Shade/TM_bsdf.xml 0 0 1 0 0

Model



Materials

Reflectance

Tvis

Wall 0.5

Floor 0.2

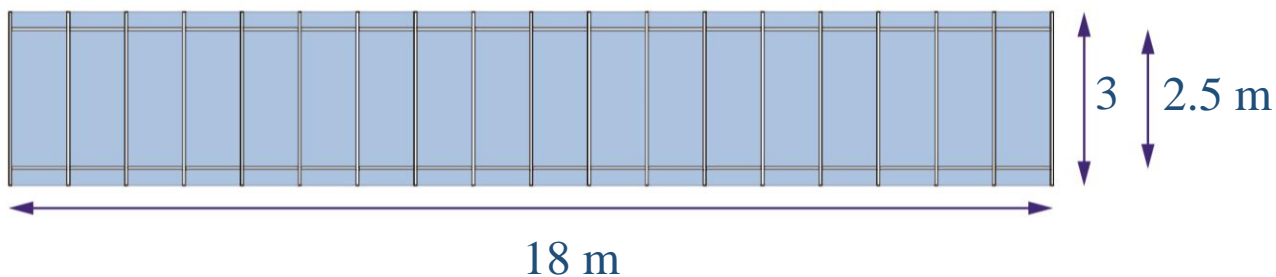
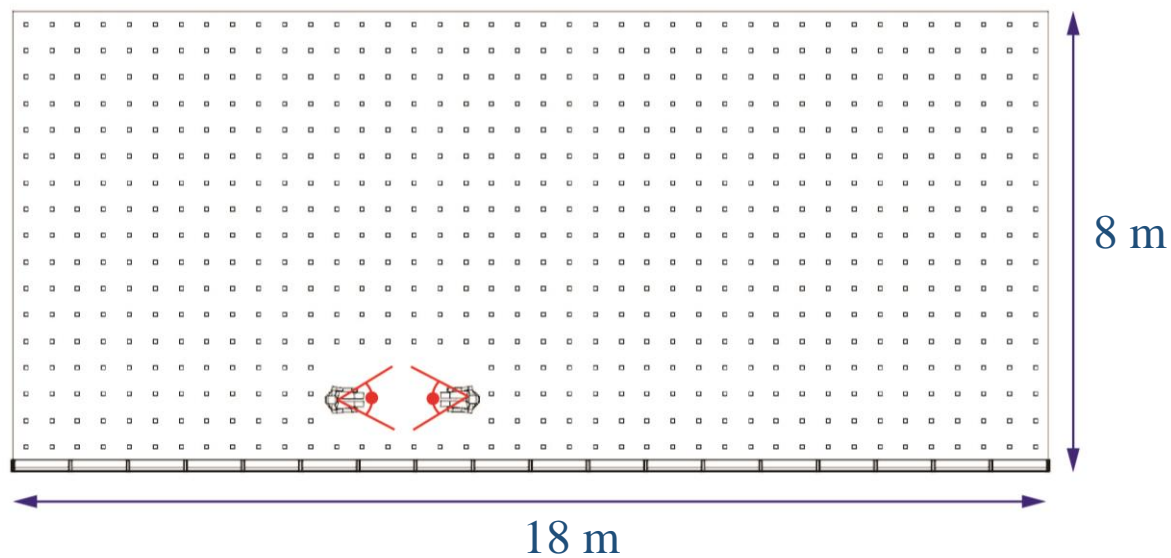
Ceiling 0.8

Furniture 0.5

Frame 0.5

Ground 0.3

Glass 0.65



View position -vp 5.7 1.8 -vd 1 0 0 -vu 0 0 1
-vp 8 1.8 -vd -1 0 0 -vu 0 0 1

Sensor points 0 n0.45 0.8 0 0 1 (680 points)

Performances evaluation

Annual simulation - DA, UDI, sDA

- **rfluxmtx** through Daylight Coefficient Method

Control strategies

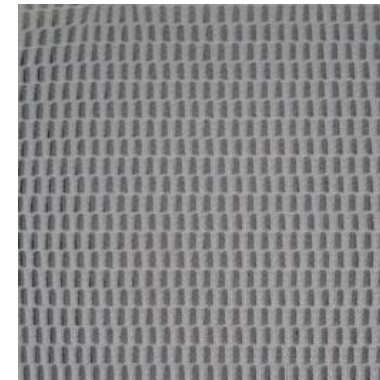
- Illuminance level
- Sun penetration depth

Point-in-time simulation - DGP

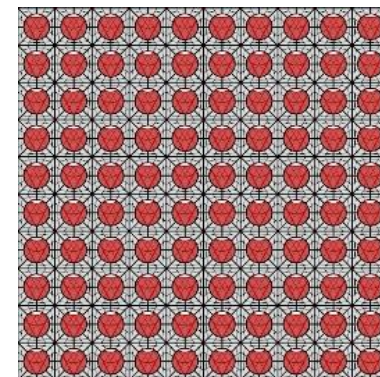
- **rpict** through rad



Roller shade



T2



TM

Performances evaluation

Annual Simulation – DC method

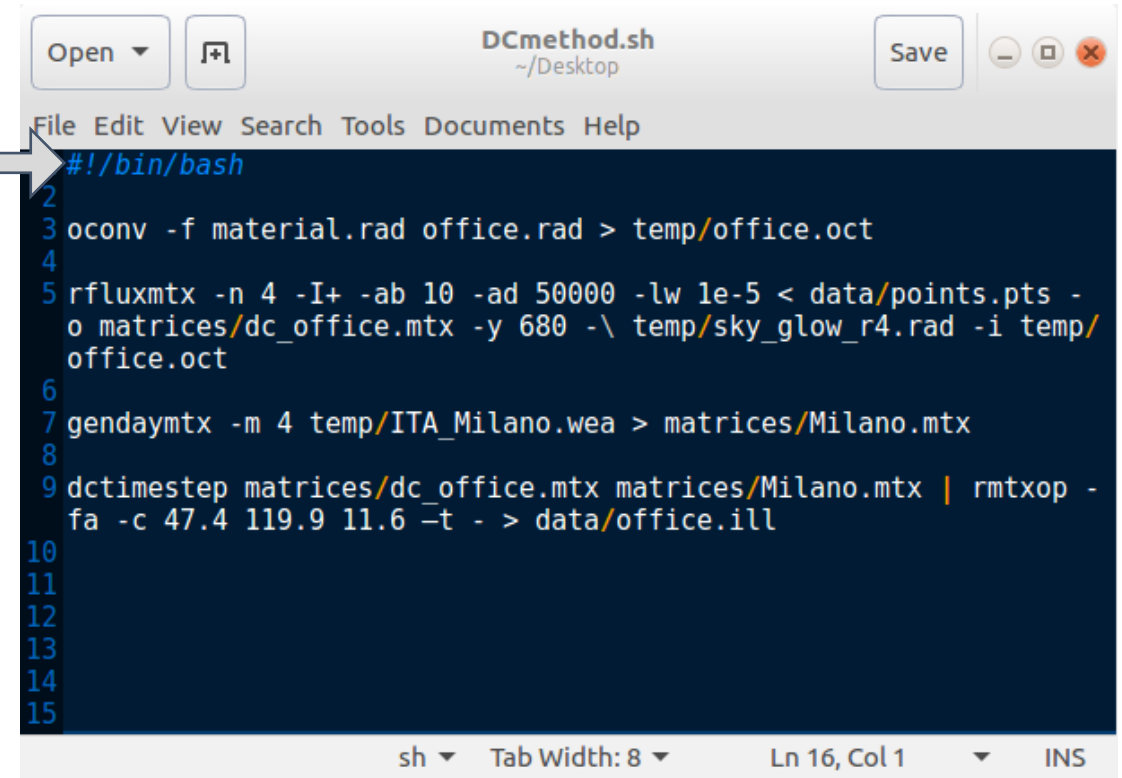
DC-method procedure

```
oconv -f material.rad office.rad > temp/office.oct
```

```
rfluxmtx -n 4 -I+ -ab 10 -ad 50000 -lw 1e-5 <\  
data/points.pts -o matrices/dc_office.mtx -y 680 -\  
temp/sky_glow_r4.rad -i temp/office.oct
```

```
gendaymtx -m 4 temp/ITA_Milano.wea >\  
matrices/Milano.mtx
```

```
dctimestep matrices/dc_office.mtx\  
matrices/Milano.mtx | rmtxop -fa -c 47.4 119.9 11.6 -t\  
- > data/office.ill
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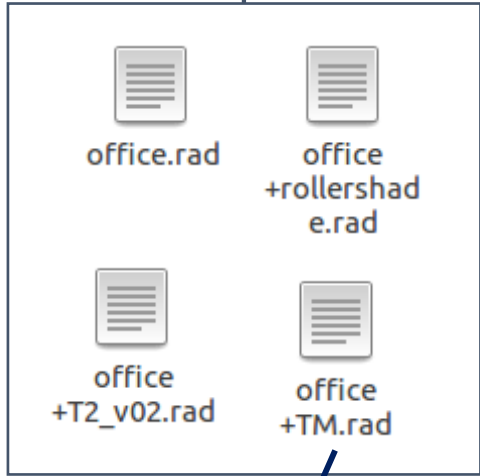
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Open [ ] Save [ ] DCmethod.sh ~/Desktop  
File Edit View Search Tools Documents Help  
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3 oconv -f material.rad office.rad > temp/office.oct  
4  
5 rfluxmtx -n 4 -I+ -ab 10 -ad 50000 -lw 1e-5 < data/points.pts -  
o matrices/dc_office.mtx -y 680 -\ temp/sky_glow_r4.rad -i temp/  
office.oct  
6  
7 gendaymtx -m 4 temp/ITA_Milano.wea > matrices/Milano.mtx  
8  
9 dctimestep matrices/dc_office.mtx matrices/Milano.mtx | rmtxop -  
fa -c 47.4 119.9 11.6 -t - > data/office.ill  
10  
11  
12  
13  
14  
15  
sh Tab Width: 8 Ln 16, Col 1 INS
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```
$ sh DCmethod.sh
```

Performances evaluation

Annual Simulation – DC method

Parametric analysis with bash



```
!xform objects/material.rad  
!xform objects/ground.rad  
!xform objects/furniture.rad | xform -t 0 .6 0  
!xform objects/OpenOffice.rad  
  
!xform objects/Roller_shadeTM.rad
```



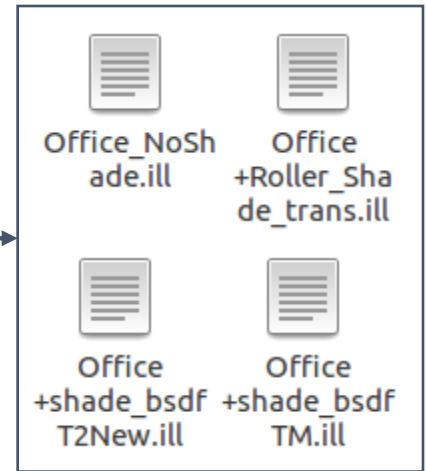
Oconv + DC matrices



dctimestep

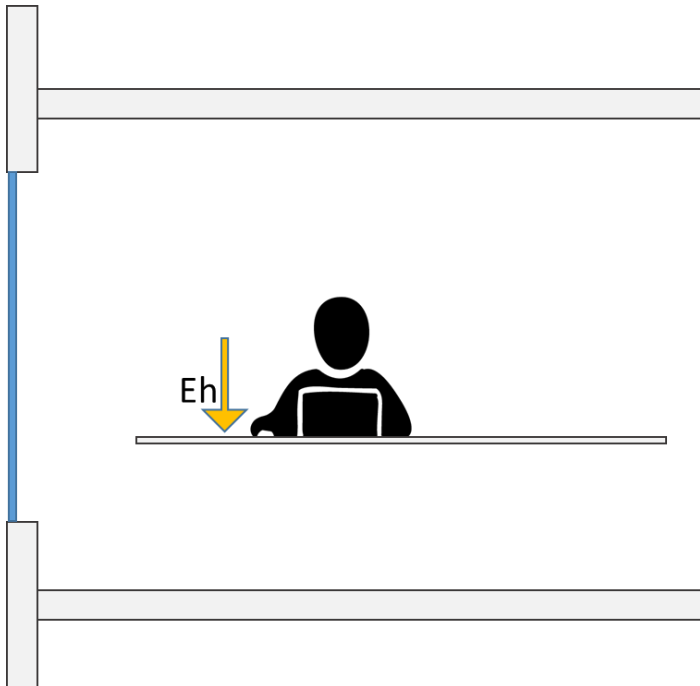
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#!/bin/bash  
  
getUserName() {  
  NAME=${1%.*} # retain the part before the colon  
  NAME=${NAME##*/} # retain the part after the last slash  
  echo $NAME  
}  
  
#####  
  
for Model in office*.rad; do  
  radModel=$(getUserName ${Model})  
  echo ${radModel}  
  echo "Oconv running"  
  oconv -f ${radModel}.rad > temp/${radModel}.oct  
  echo "done!"  
  
#####  
  
  echo "DC matrix calculation"  
  
  dcopt="-I+ -ab 12 -ad 50000 -lw 1e-5"  
  
  for pts in data/*.pts; do  
    len=$(wc -l < "$pts")  
    namePts=$(getUserName $pts)  
    echo "matrix for ${namePts}"  
    rfluxmtx -n 4 ${dcopt} < $pts -o matrices/${namePts}_${radModel}.dc -y ${len}  
    done  
  done  
  
done  
  
#####  
  
echo "Sky matrix generation"  
weather="ITA_Milano"  
m=4  
for wea in temp/${weather}.wea; do  
  weaName=$(getUserName $wea)  
  echo ${weaName}  
  gendaymtx -m ${m} ${wea} > matrices/m${m}_${weaName}.mtx  
done  
echo "done"  
  
#####  
  
echo "dctimestep calculation"  
for dc in matrices/*.dc; do  
  for wea in matrices/*.mtx; do  
    dcName=$(getUserName $dc)  
    weaName=$(getUserName $wea)  
    echo "${dcName} ${weaName}.dat running"  
    dctimestep ${dc} ${wea} | rmtxop -fa -c 47.4 119.9 11.6 -t - > data/${dcName}_${weaName}.dat  
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done  
echo "done"
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Annual results



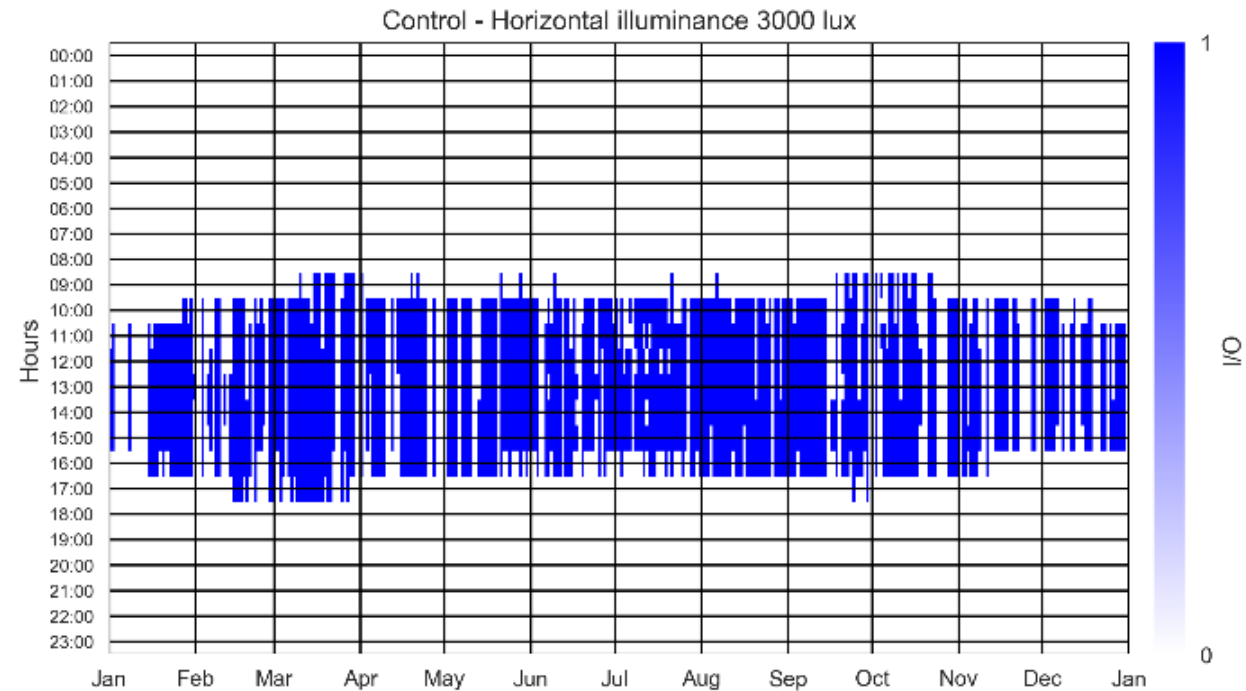
Horizontal illuminance

- Requires a first run of simulation
- Extract a sensor from the annual simulation with glass – 1.8 m away from the façade
- Shade is active if $E_h > 3000$ lux



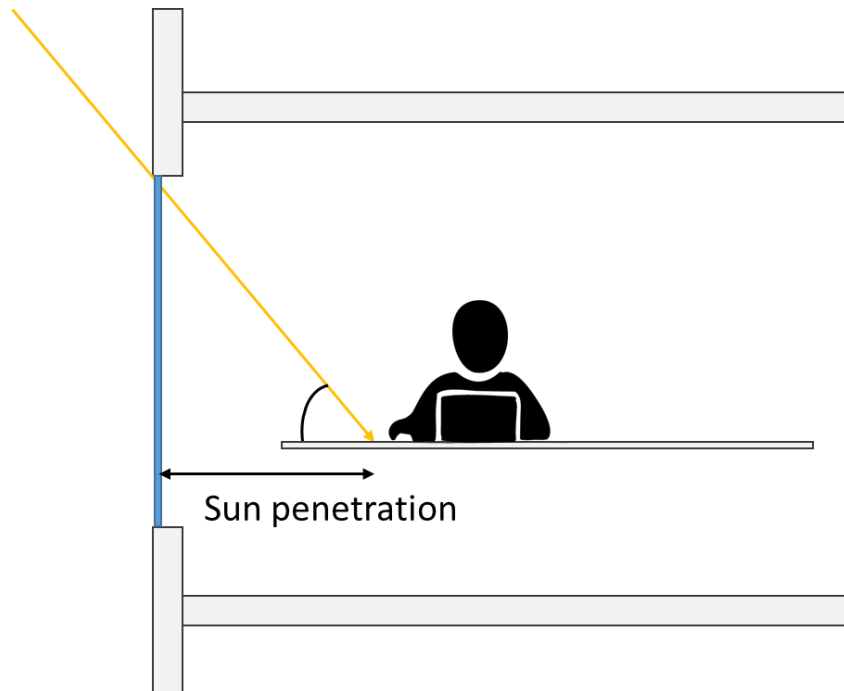
Performances evaluation

Shading control strategies



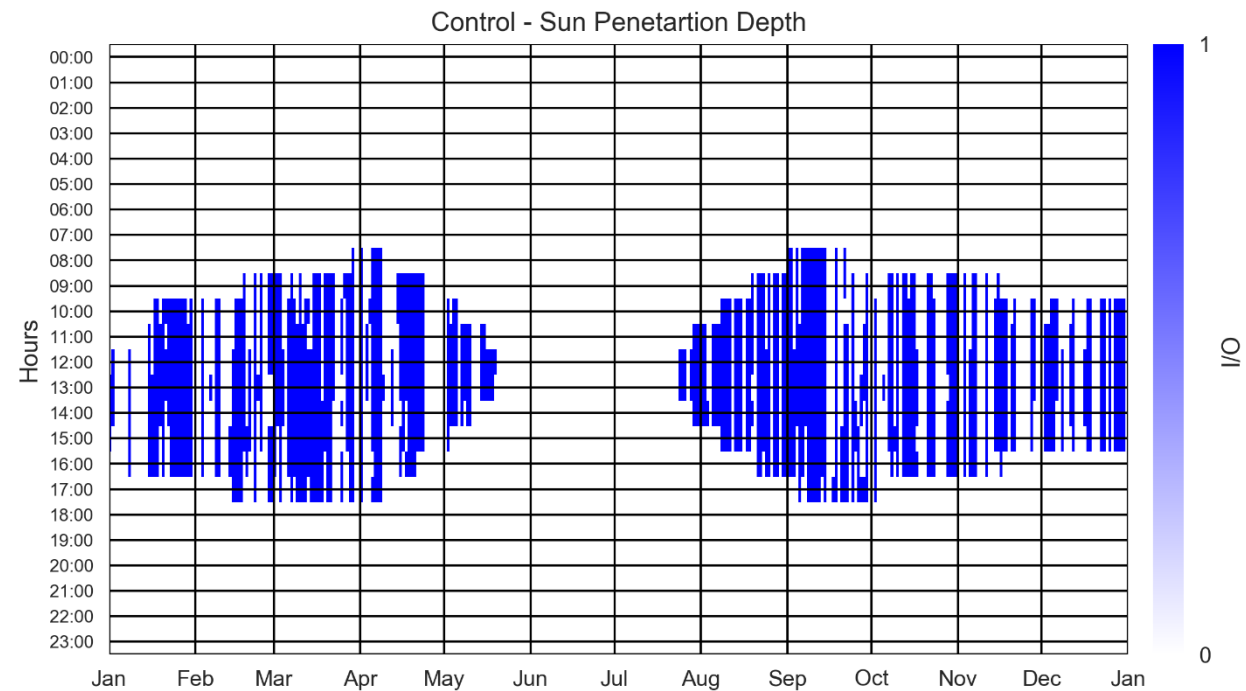
Sun Penetration Depth

- Based on sun angles analysis
- 1st condition: shade is active if the sun reaches the table - sun penetration > 0.9 m
- 2nd condition: Match statement 1 with the weather file - ratio total/diffuse hor. irr. > 1.5

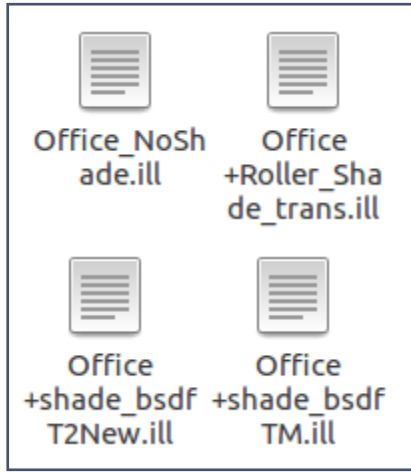


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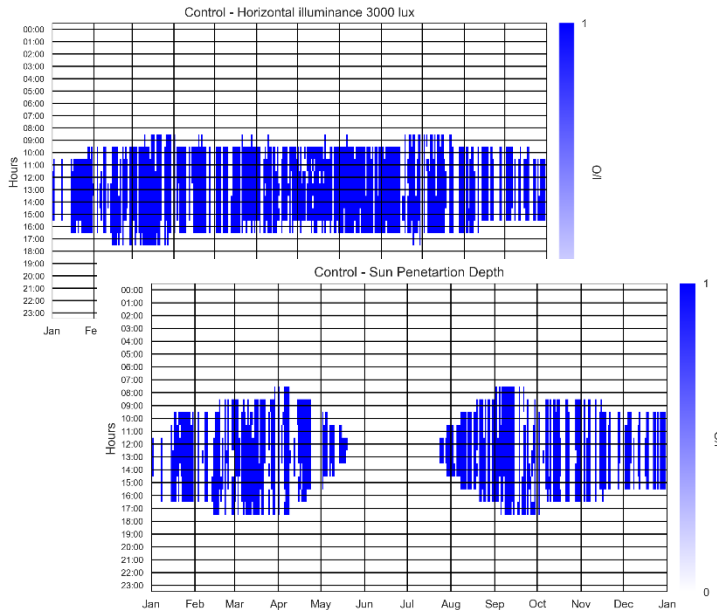
Shading control strategies



Annual illuminance results



Control strategies



Performances evaluation

Post processing

```
times = pd.date_range(start_time, end_time, freq="H")  
  
noShade = pd.read_csv('Office_NOshade.dat', header = None, sep='\t', skiprows=7)  
noShade.drop(noShade.columns[noShade.columns-1], axis=1, inplace=True)  
noShade.columns = ["Sensor_%i [lux]" % i for i in range(1, len(noShade.columns)+1)]  
  
sensor = noShade["Sensor_310 [lux]"]  
  
n = len(sensor)  
noSh = np.empty(n)  
Sh = np.empty(n)  
  
for i in range(n):  
    if sensor[i]>3000:  
        IO = 1.  
        OO = 0.  
    else:  
        IO = 0.  
        OO = 1.  
    Sh [i] = IO  
    noSh [i] = OO  
  
ctrl = pd.DataFrame(list(zip(Sh,noSh)))  
noShadeIll = noShade.mul(ctrl[1], axis=0)  
  
for of in glob.glob('Office+*.ill'):  
    print(of)  
  
    shade = pd.read_csv(of, header = None, sep='\t', skiprows=7)  
    shade.drop(shade.columns[noShade.columns-1], axis=1, inplace=True)  
    shade.columns = ["Sensor_%i [lux]" % i for i in range(1, len(shade.columns)+1)]  
  
    ShadeIll = shade.mul(ctrl[0], axis=0)  
  
    illum = noShadeIll.add(ShadeIll)  
  
    illum.to_csv("Eh_shadingControl_"+of, sep="\t", index=False)
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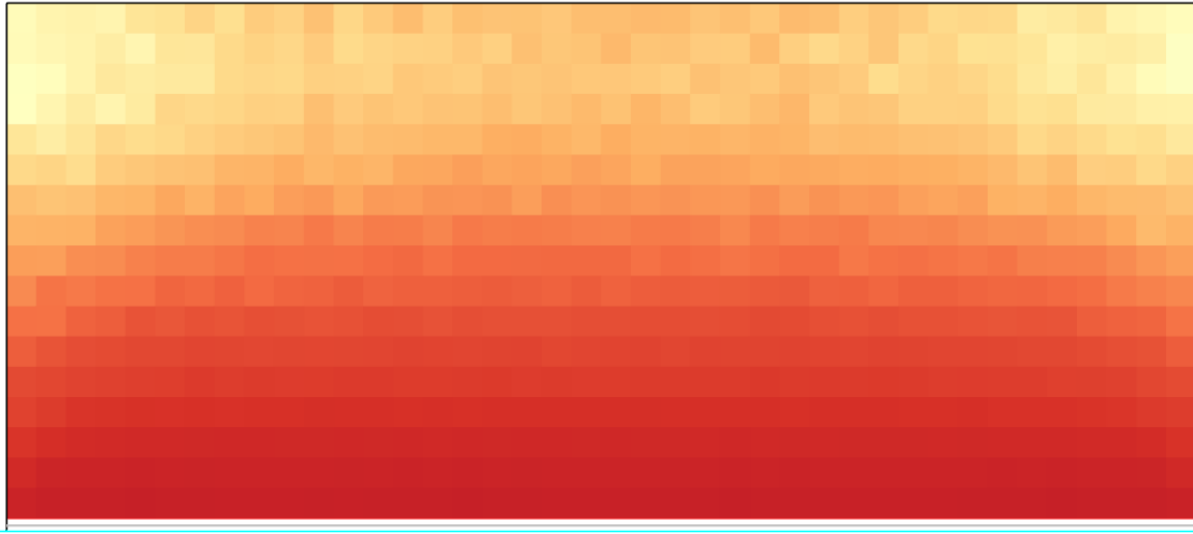


Python+Panads

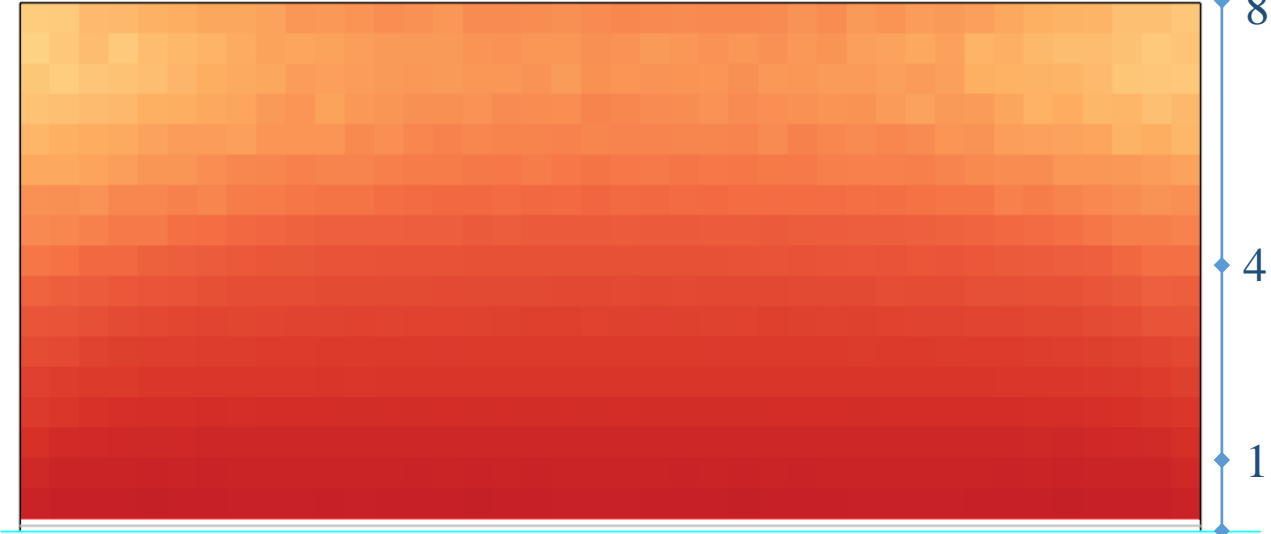
- Combined illuminance values
- CBDM indexes analysis

Daylight autonomy – Sun penetration control

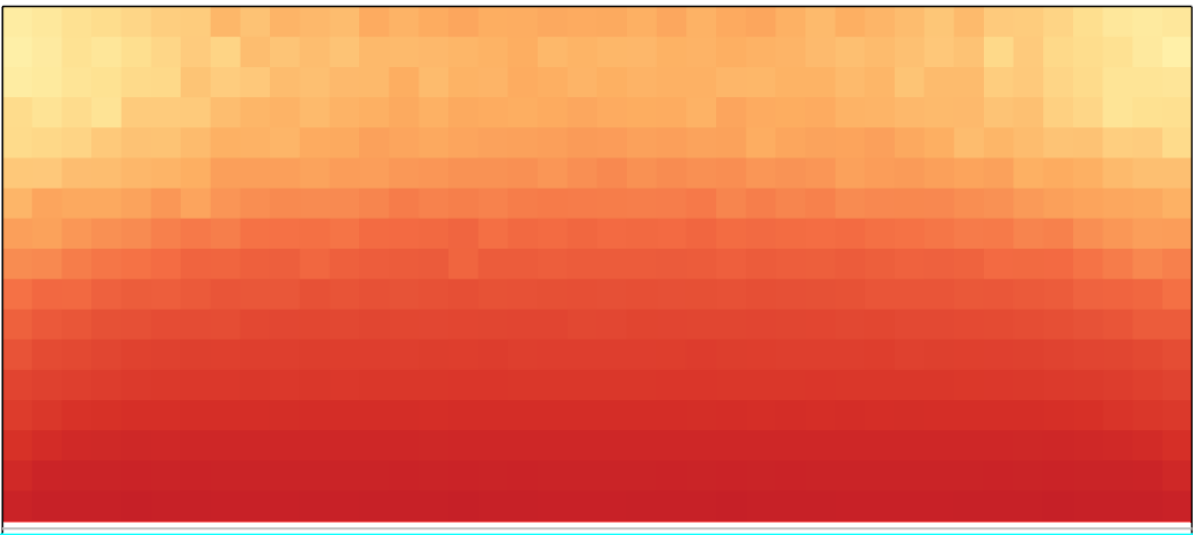
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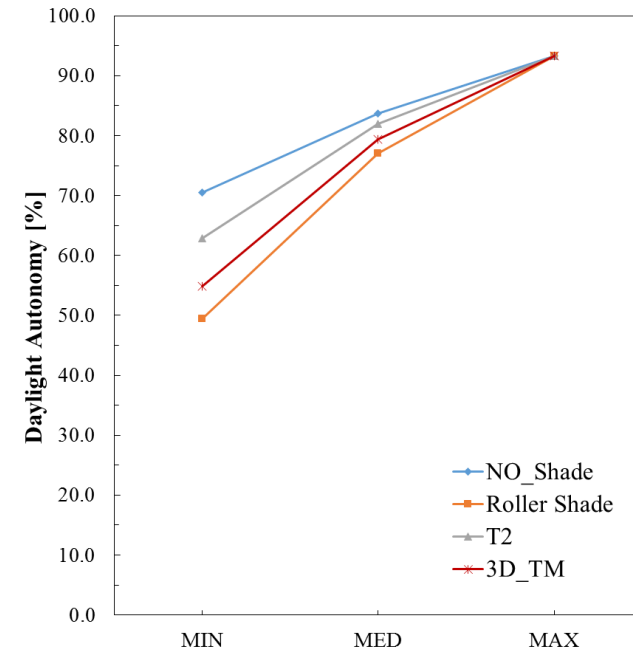
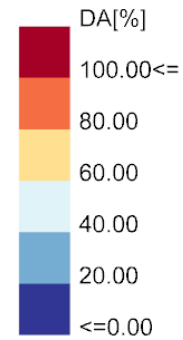
Roller Shade DA = 77.0% sDA = 99%



T2 DA = 81.9% sDA = 100%

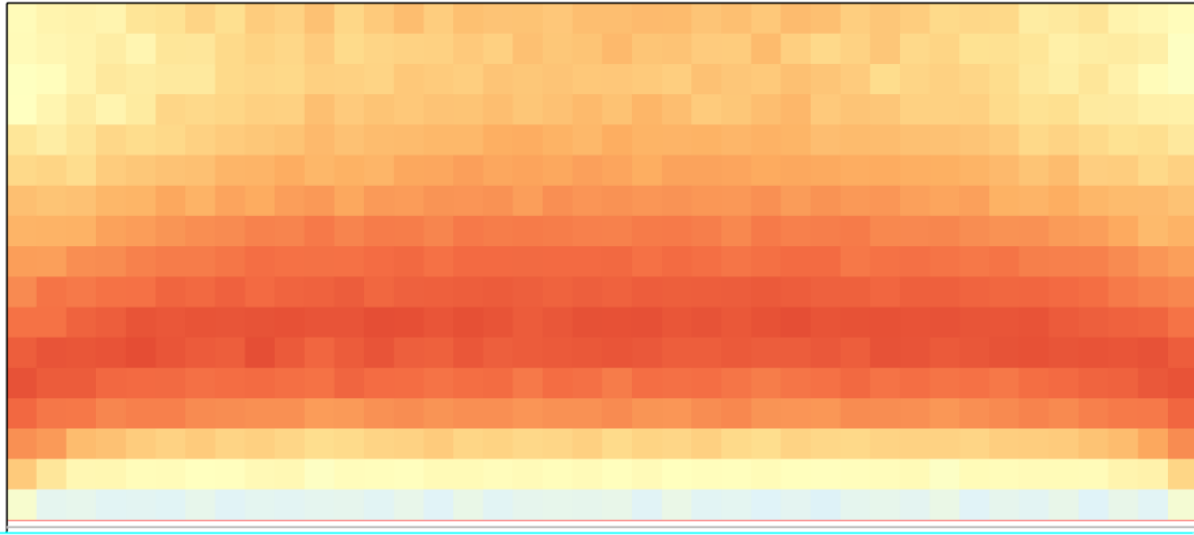


TM DA = 79.4% sDA = 100%

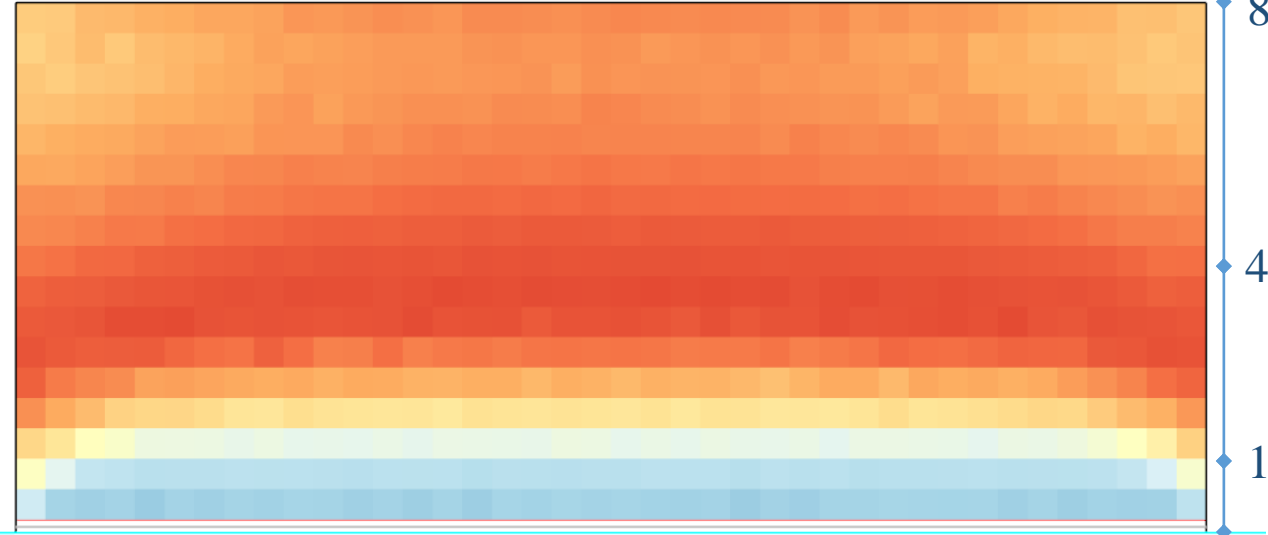


300<UDI<3000 – Sun penetration control

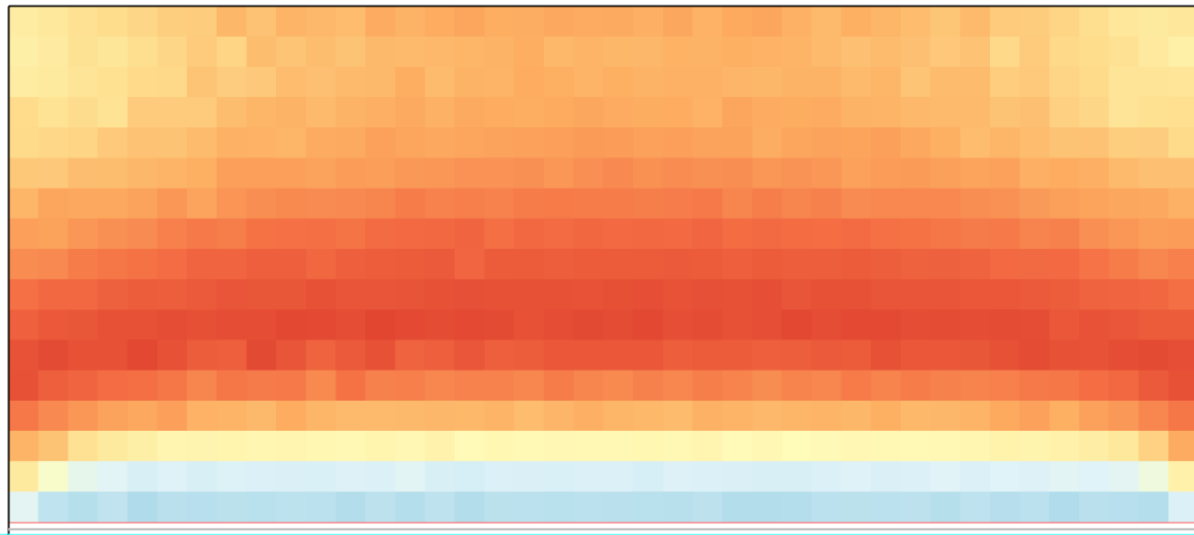
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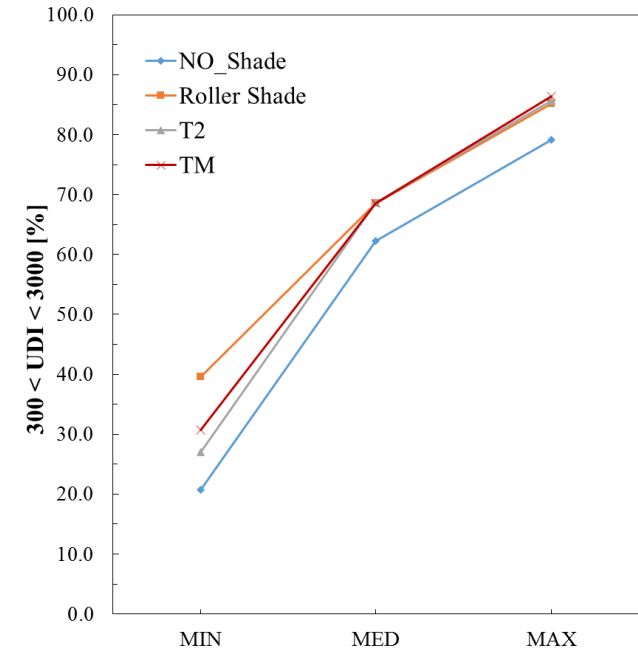
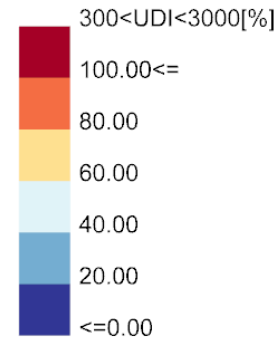
Roller Shade UDI = 68.5%



T2 UDI = 68.7%

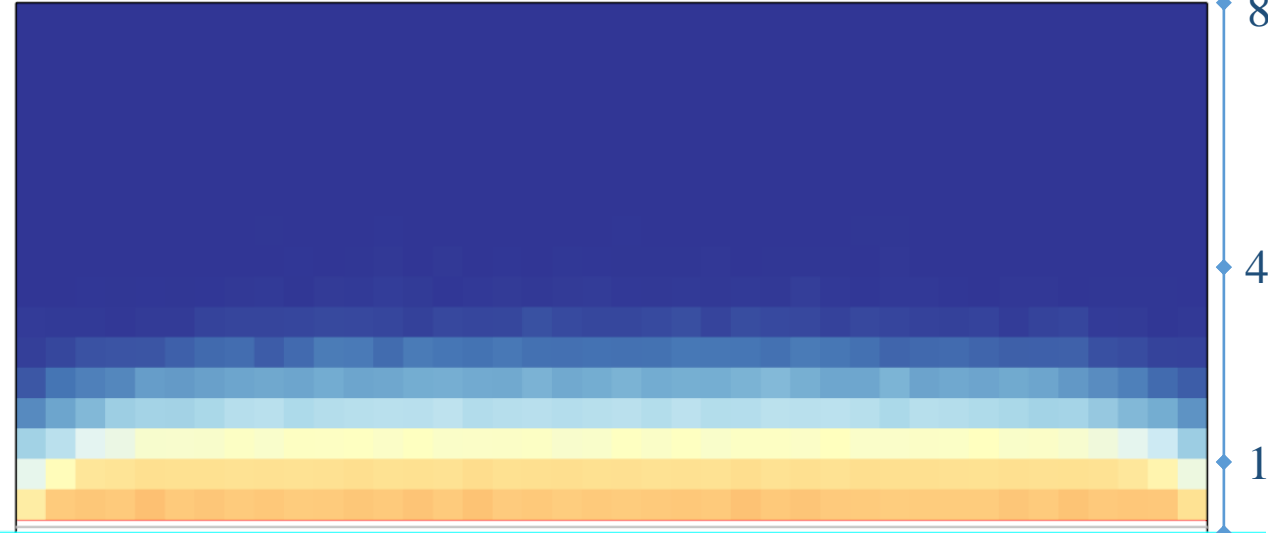
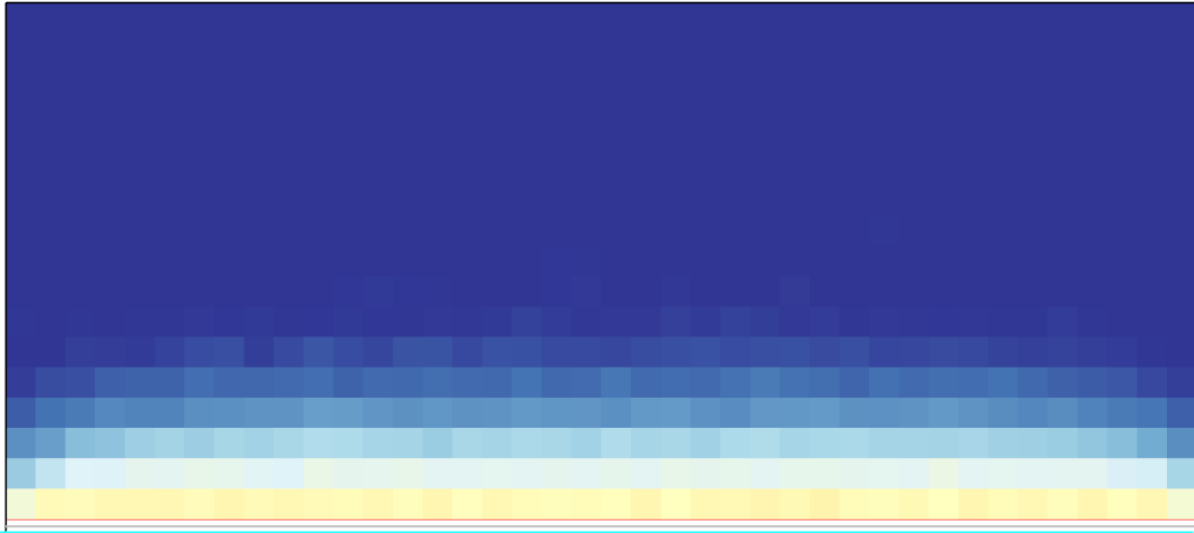


TM UDI = 68.6%



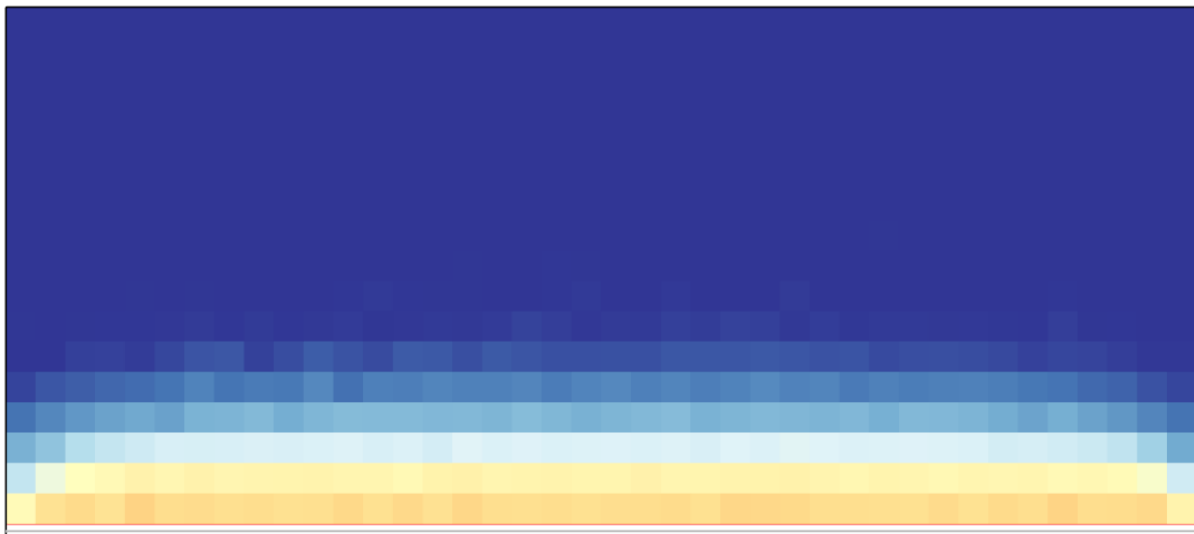
UDI>3000 – Sun penetration control

Results

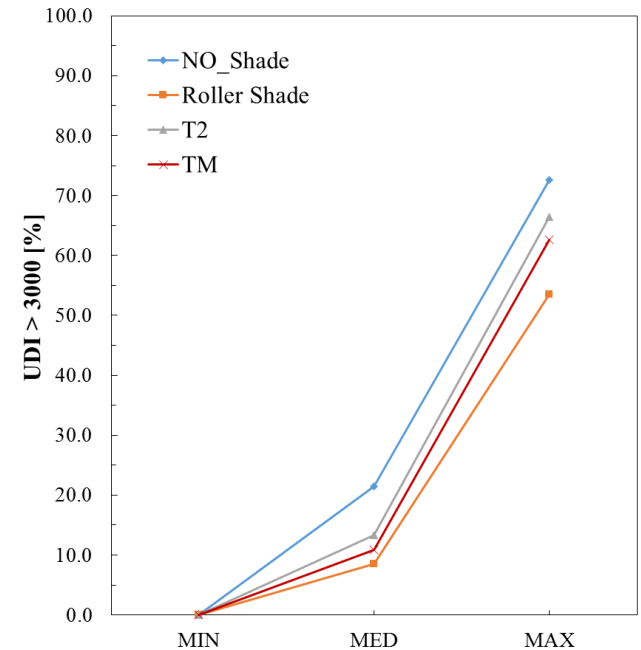
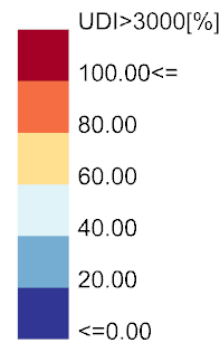


Roller Shade UDI = 8.5%

T2 UDI = 13.3%

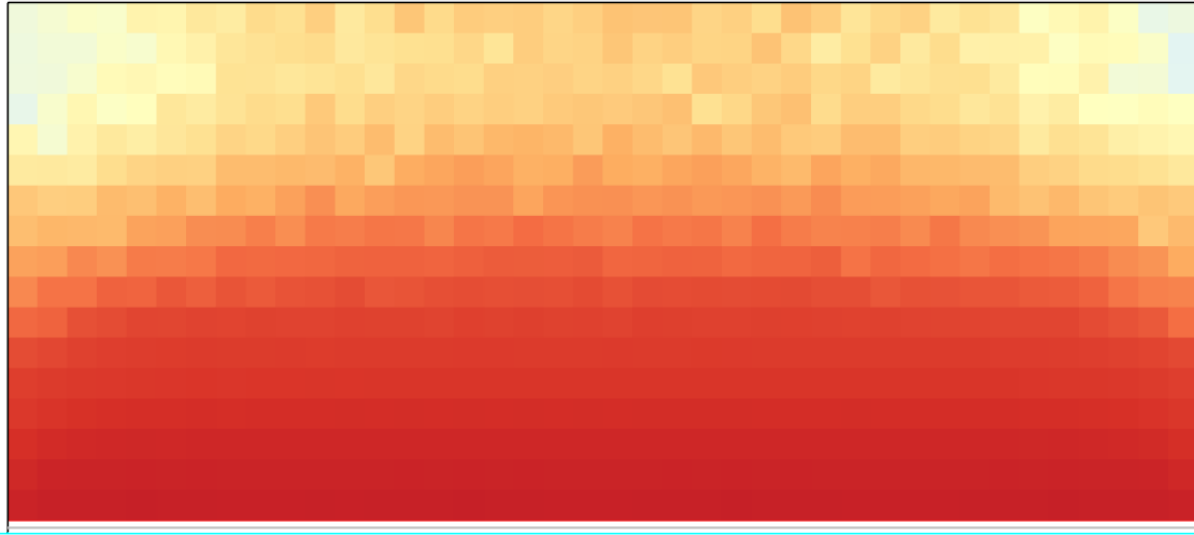


TM UDI = 10.8%

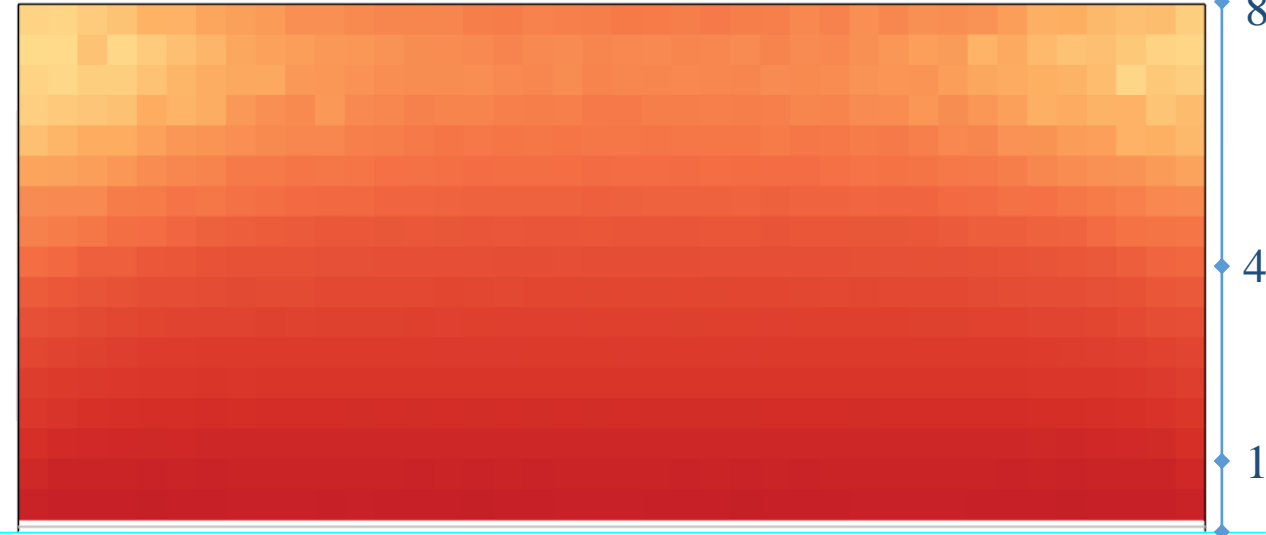


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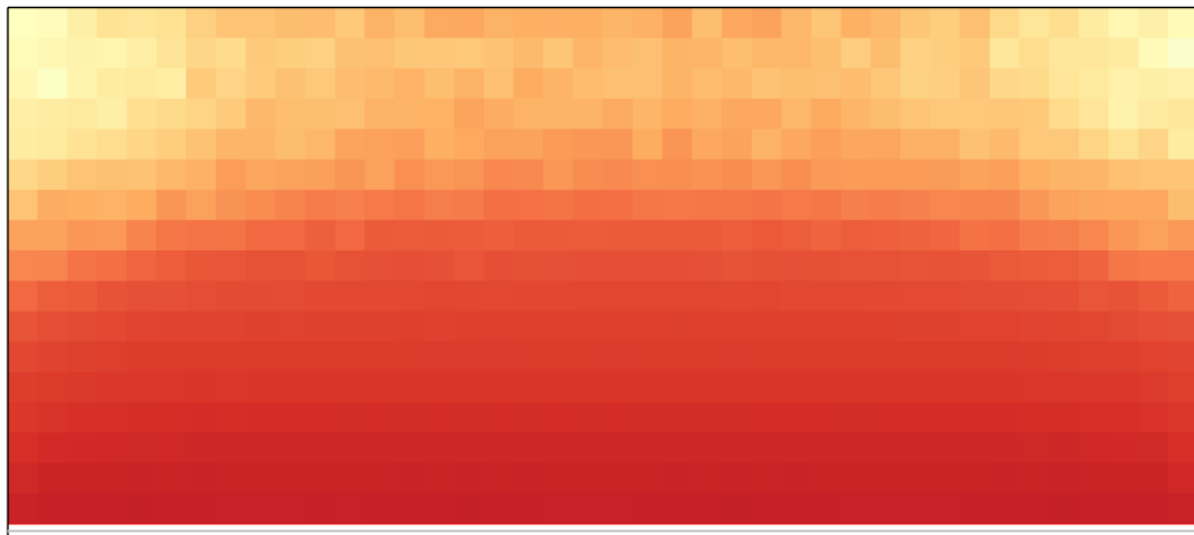
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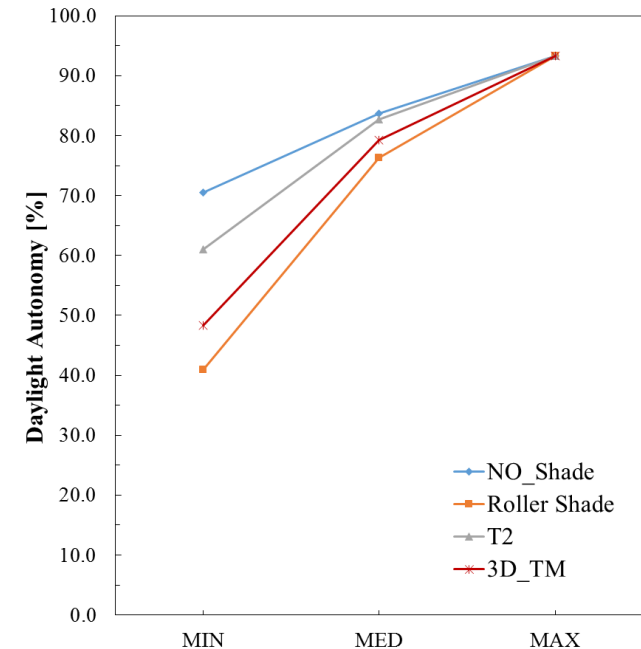
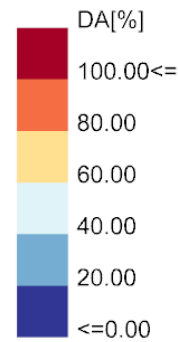
Roller Shade DA = 76.3% sDA = 96%



T2 DA = 82.7% sDA = 100%

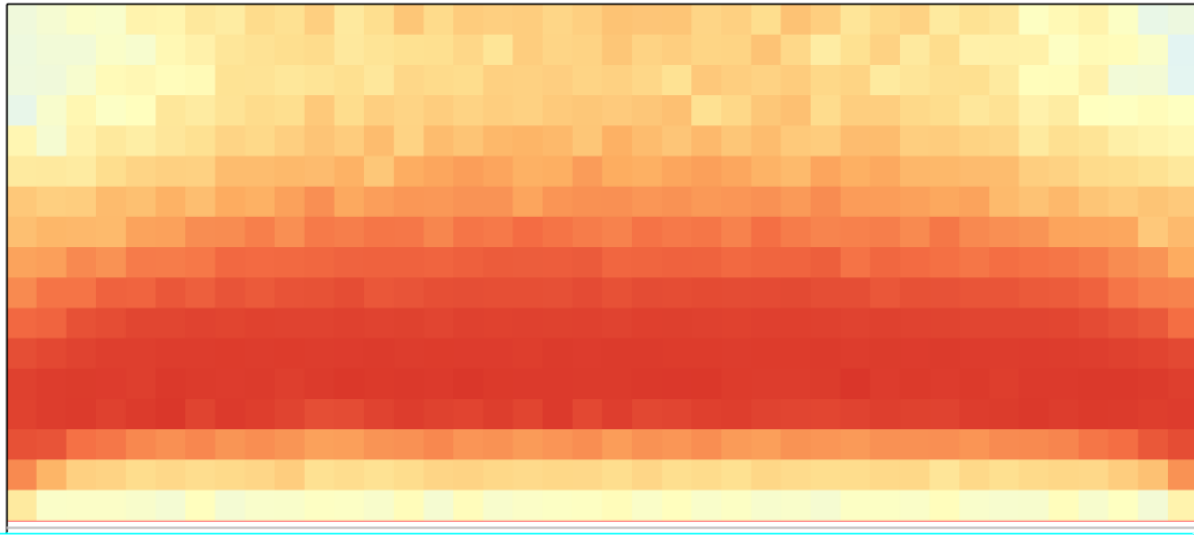


TM DA = 79.3% sDA = 100%

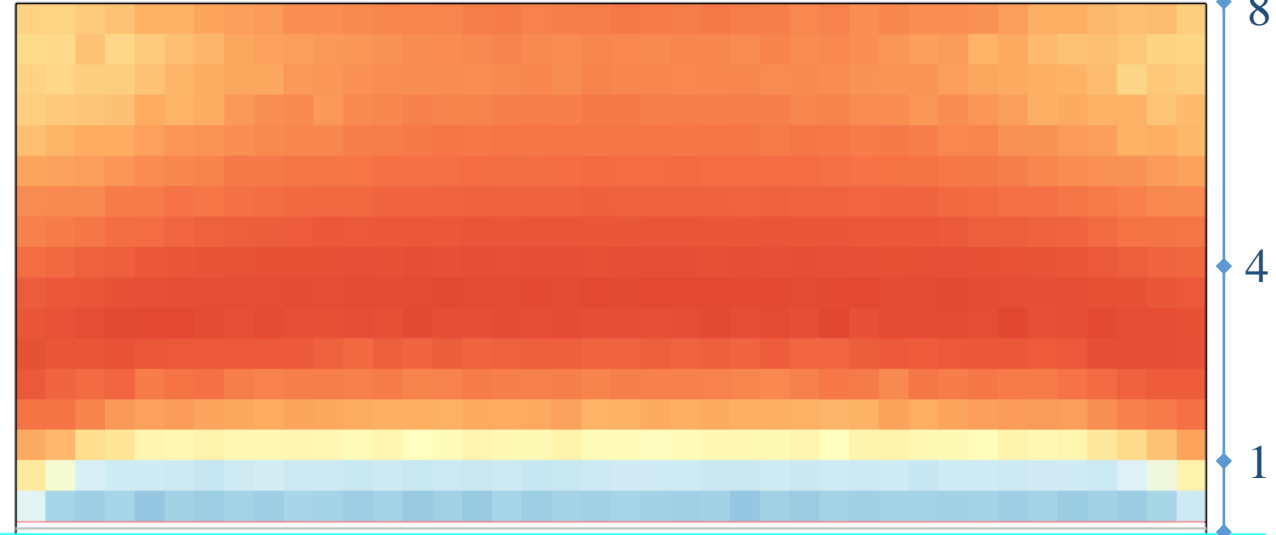


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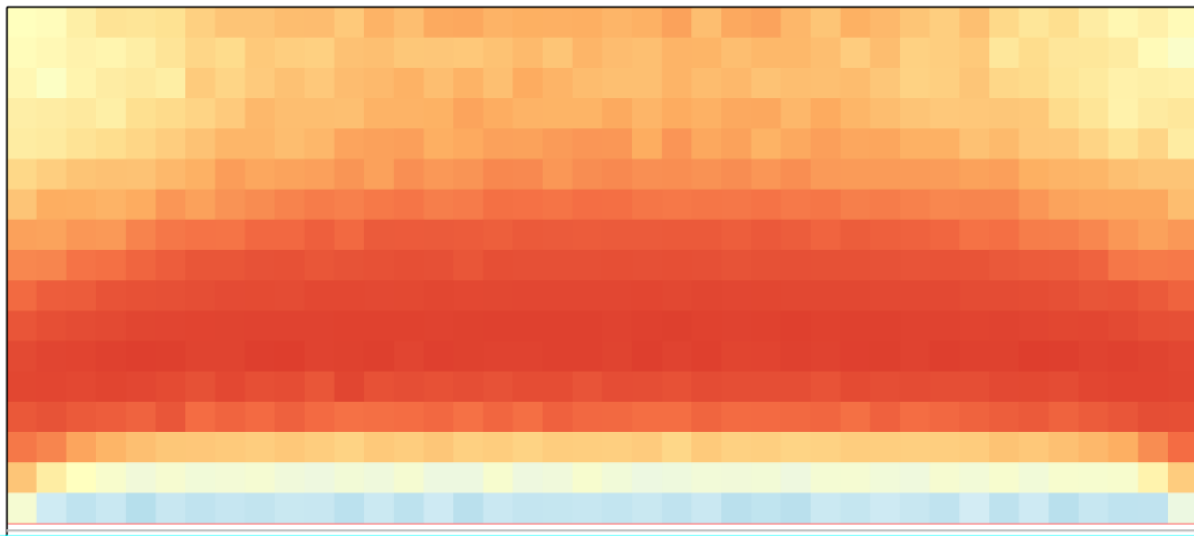
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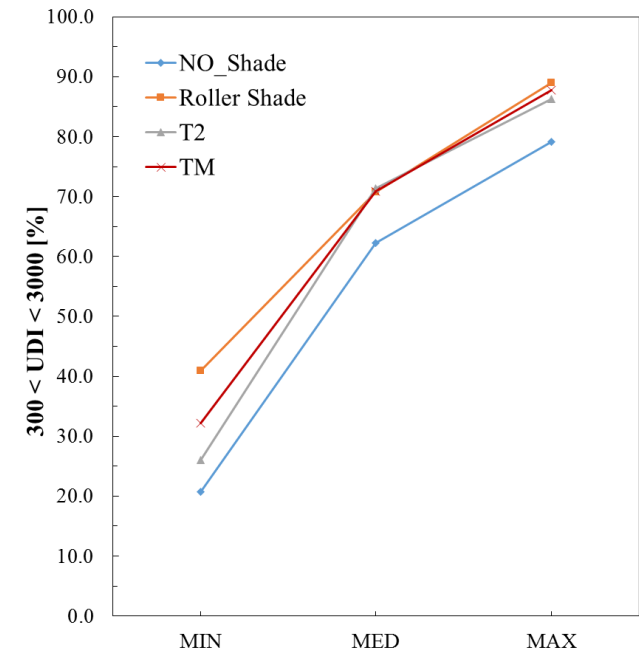
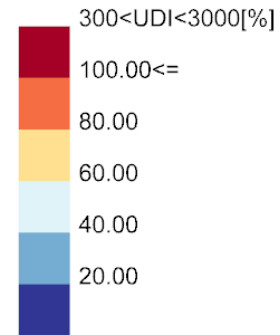
Roller Shade UDI = 70.8%



T2 UDI = 71.3%

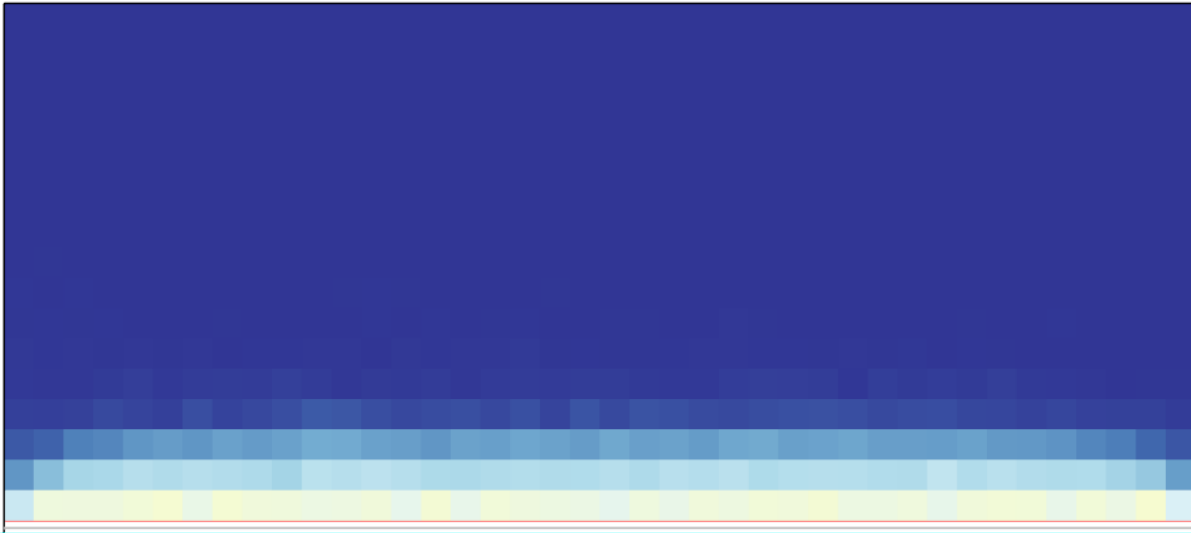


TM UDI = 71%

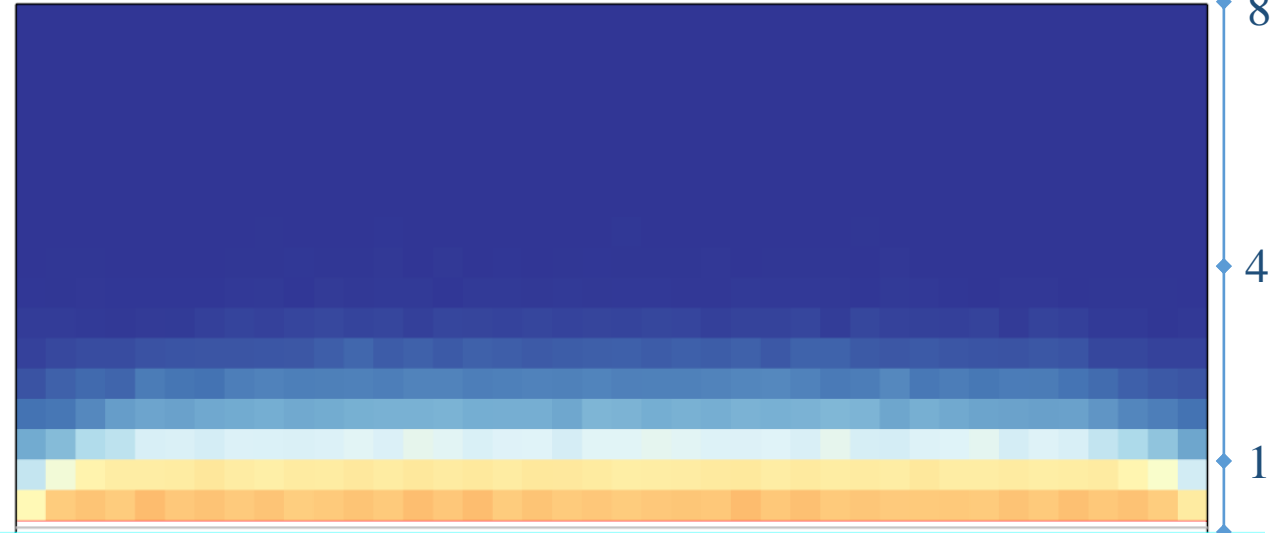


UDI>3000 – Eh control

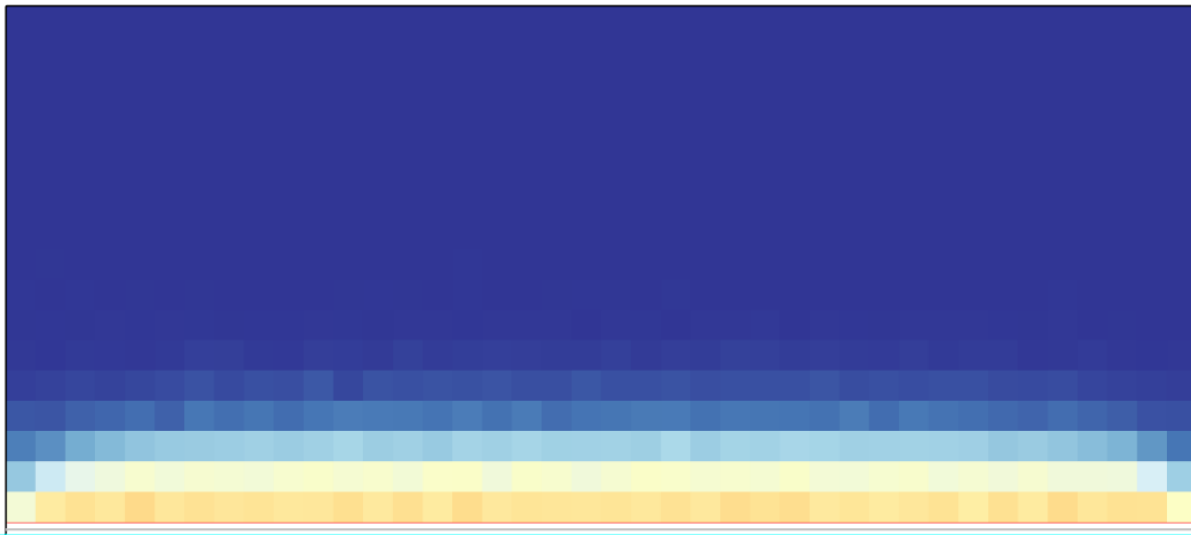
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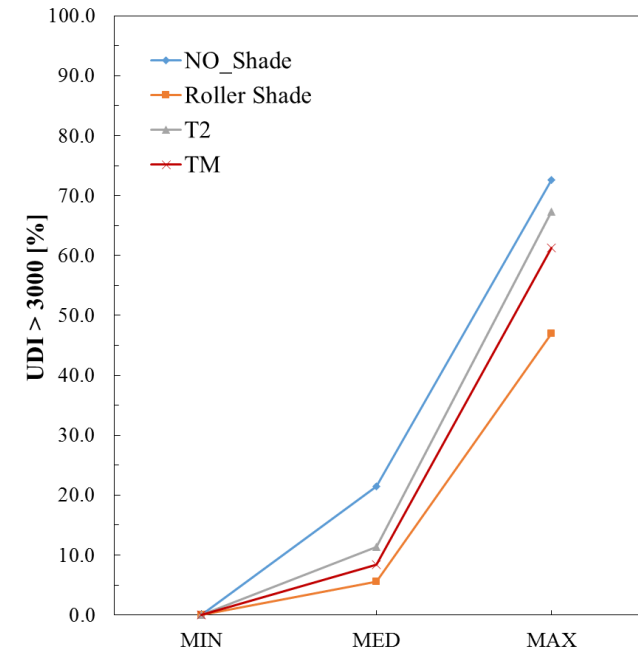
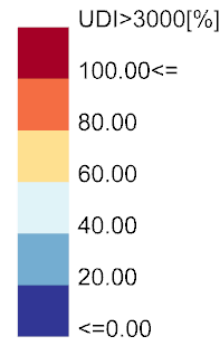
Roller Shade UDI = 5.6%



T2 UDI = 11.3%



TM UDI = 8.4%



NO STRATEGY CONTROL						
	<i>DA 300</i>	<i>UDI<100</i>	<i>100<UDI<300</i>	<i>300<UDI<3000</i>	<i>UDI>3000</i>	<i>sDA300</i>
NO_Shade	83.74	8.56	7.70	62.24	21.50	100%
Roller Shade	50.06	26.17	23.77	47.50	2.56	44%
T2	63.55	18.99	17.46	55.11	8.44	78%
3D_TM	55.89	22.97	21.14	50.48	5.42	54%

STRATEGY CONTROL Sun Penetration						
	<i>DA 300</i>	<i>UDI<100</i>	<i>100<UDI<300</i>	<i>300<UDI<3000</i>	<i>UDI>3000</i>	<i>sDA300</i>
NO_Shade	83.74	8.56	7.70	62.24	21.50	100%
Roller Shade	77.01	9.04	13.95	68.51	8.50	99%
T2	81.98	8.58	9.44	68.67	13.31	100%
3D_TM	79.39	8.76	11.84	68.58	10.82	100%

STRATEGY CONTROL Eh						
	<i>DA 300</i>	<i>UDI<100</i>	<i>100<UDI<300</i>	<i>300<UDI<3000</i>	<i>UDI>3000</i>	<i>sDA300</i>
NO_Shade	83.74	8.56	7.70	62.24	21.50	100%
Roller Shade	76.36	8.56	15.08	70.79	5.57	96%
T2	82.67	8.55	8.78	71.32	11.35	100%
3D_TM	79.31	8.55	12.14	70.92	8.39	100%

Performances evaluation

point-in-time simulation – rpict/rad

- Analysis over the standard days
 - 21st of March, June and December
 - 9:00-17:00 hours
- Perez sky + epw data
- Creation of the input*.rif file

Procedure to generate the sky file for the selected days

1. Extend the period of analysis
 - 14-30th March 9:00-17:00
 - 14-30th June 9:00-17:00
 - 14-30th December 9:00-17:00
2. Filter the clear hours on the epw
3. Average values of Direct Normal and Diffuse Horizontal Irr. -> gendaylit \$M \$D \$h -W DN DH



Parametric analysis with bash

- Creation of the input*.rif file



Select model and sky

Write and save the input *.rif file

Run it with rad

Performances evaluation point-in-time simulation – rpict/rad

radHDR.sh

```
# generate the rif file for each model and each hour and run it

for radModel in office*; do
    mkdir images/${radModel}_vE
    mkdir rif/${radModel}_vE
    for date in temp/skies_vE/Perez_*.mat; do
        sky=$(getUserName ${date})

        echo " Now running ${sky} for ${radModel}"

        echo "
# Rad Input File
OCTREE= oct/${radModel}_${sky}_vE.oct
QUALITY= M
PENUMBRAS= TRUE
VARIABILITY= M
RESOLUTION= 600
INDIRECT= 4
ZONE= I 0 18 0 8 10 13

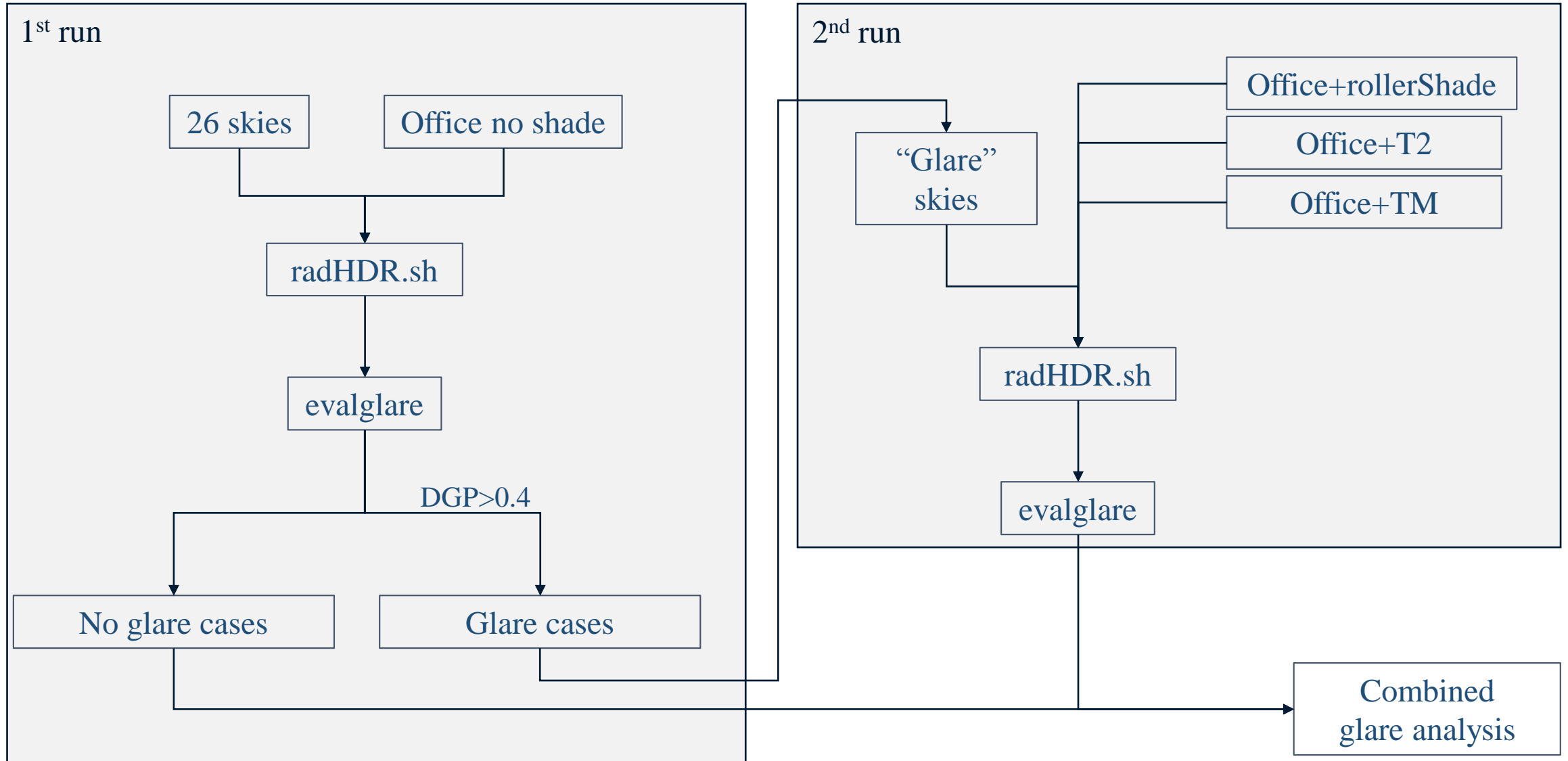
PICTURE= images/${radModel}_vE/${radModel}_${sky}
#RAWFILE= unf/office.unf
AMBFILe= amb/${radModel}_${sky}_vE.amb
materials= temp/skies/${sky}.mat
scene= ${radModel}.rad temp/skyDome.sky
view=vE -vf sensors_view/vE.vf

render= -ad 1024 -as 512 -aa .15 -lw 1e-5" > rif/${radModel}_vE/${radModel}_${sky}.rif

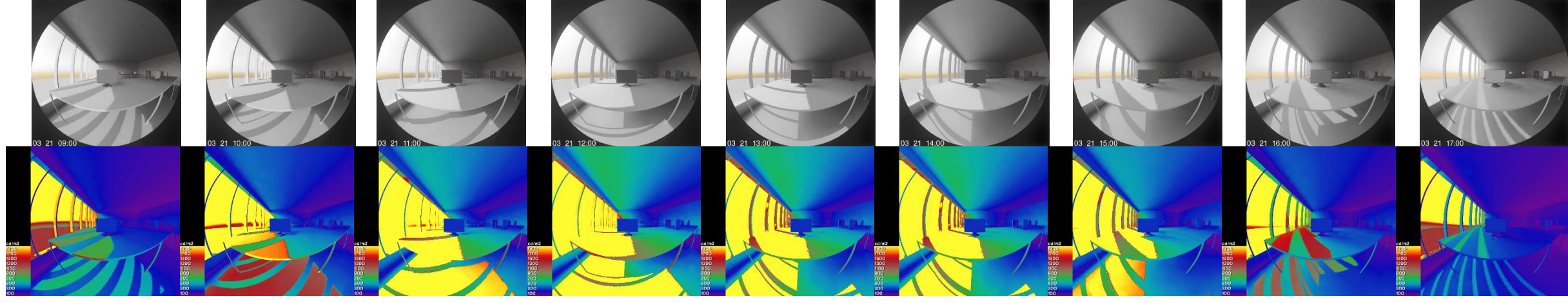
        rad -N 4 rif/${radModel}_vE/${radModel}_${sky}.rif

    done
done
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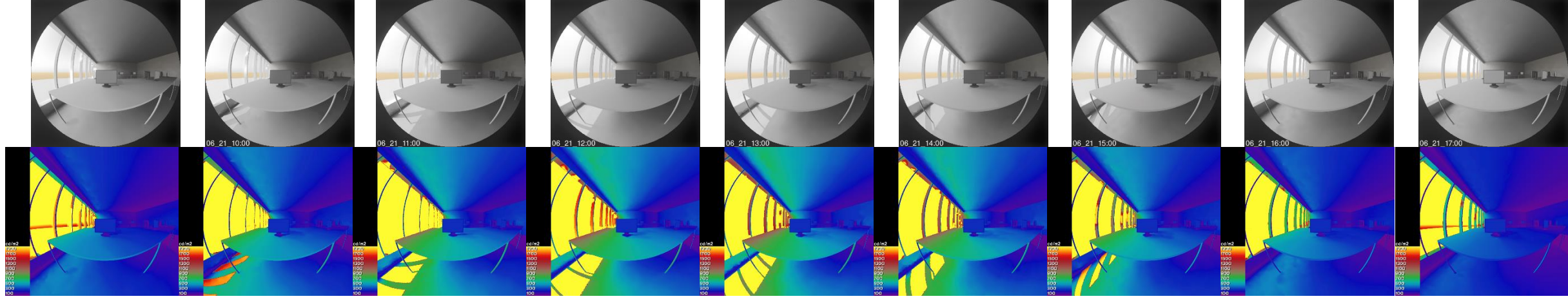
Performances evaluation point-in-time simulation – rpict/rad



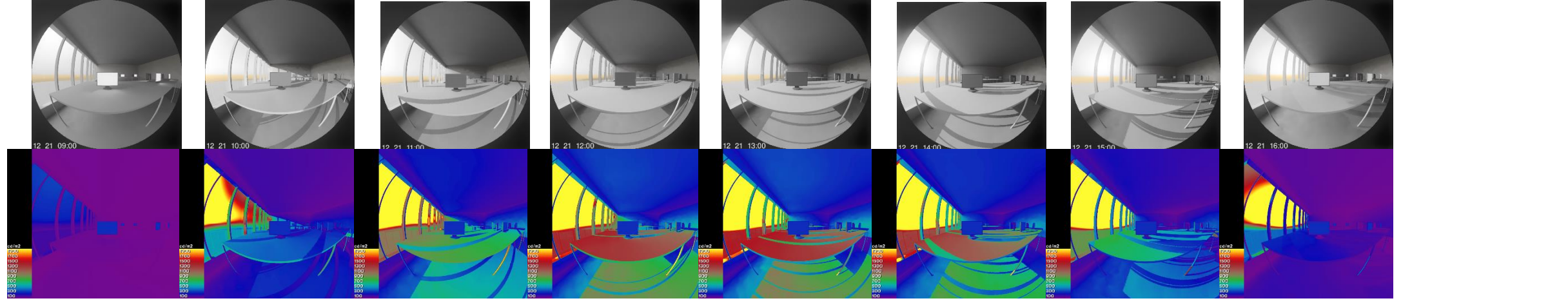
21st March



21st June

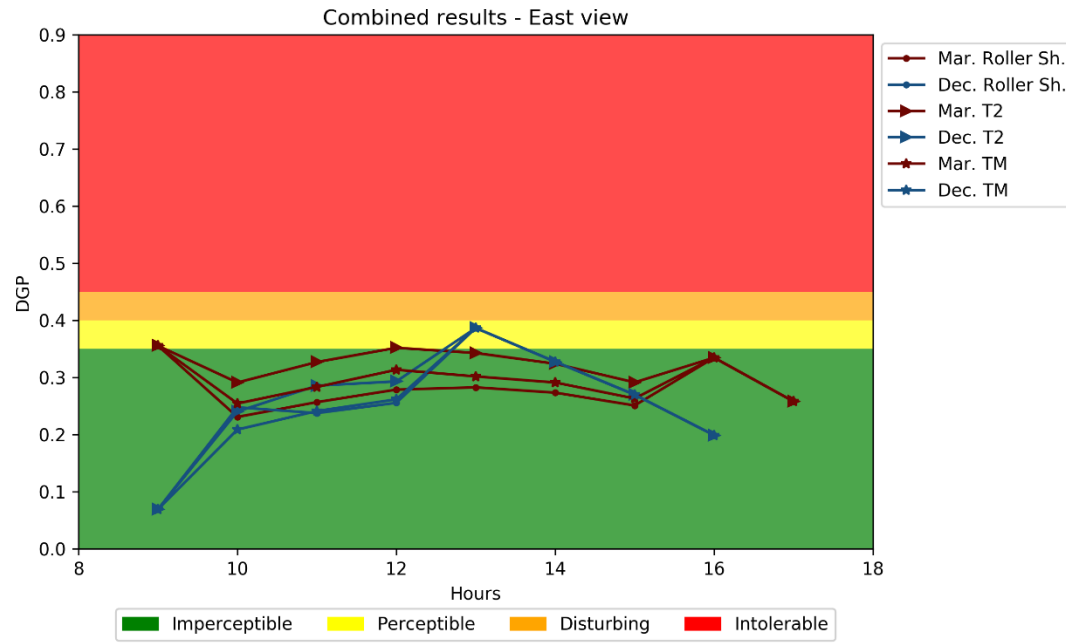
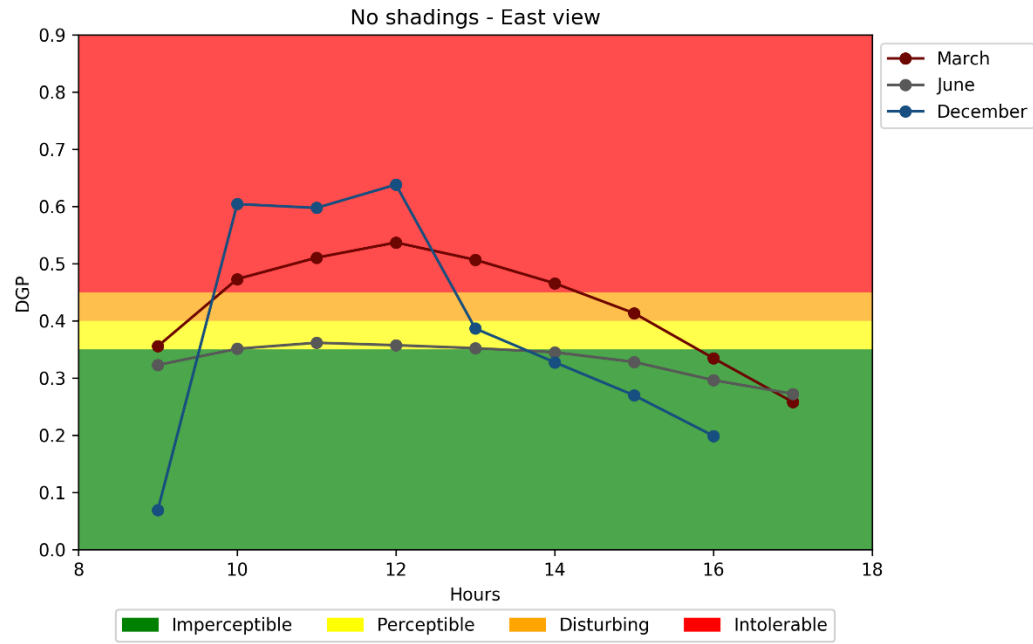
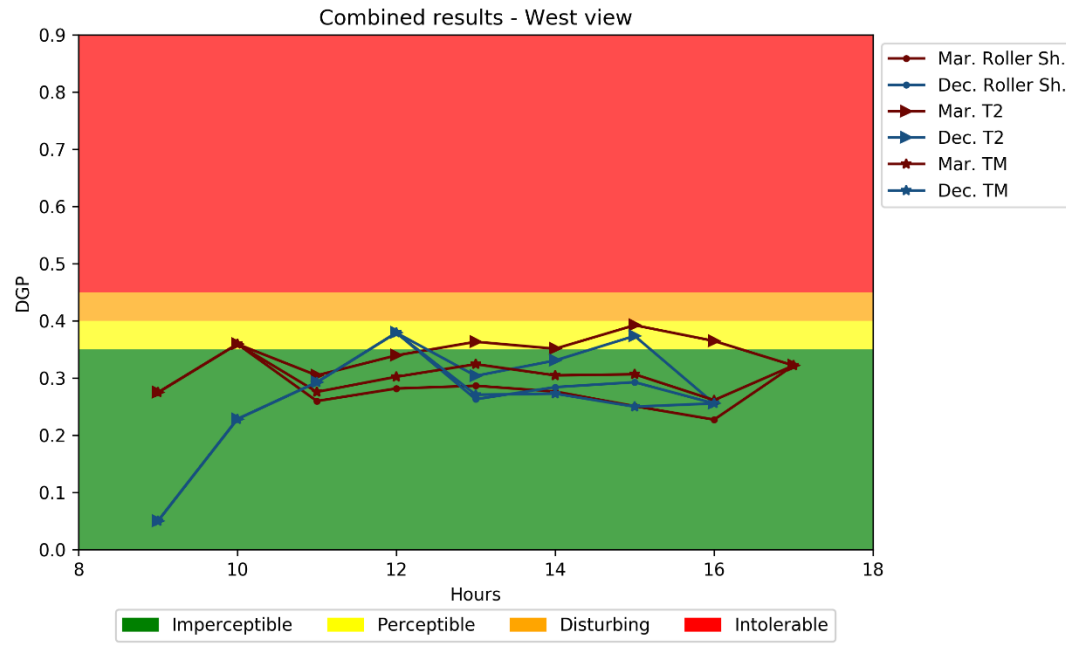
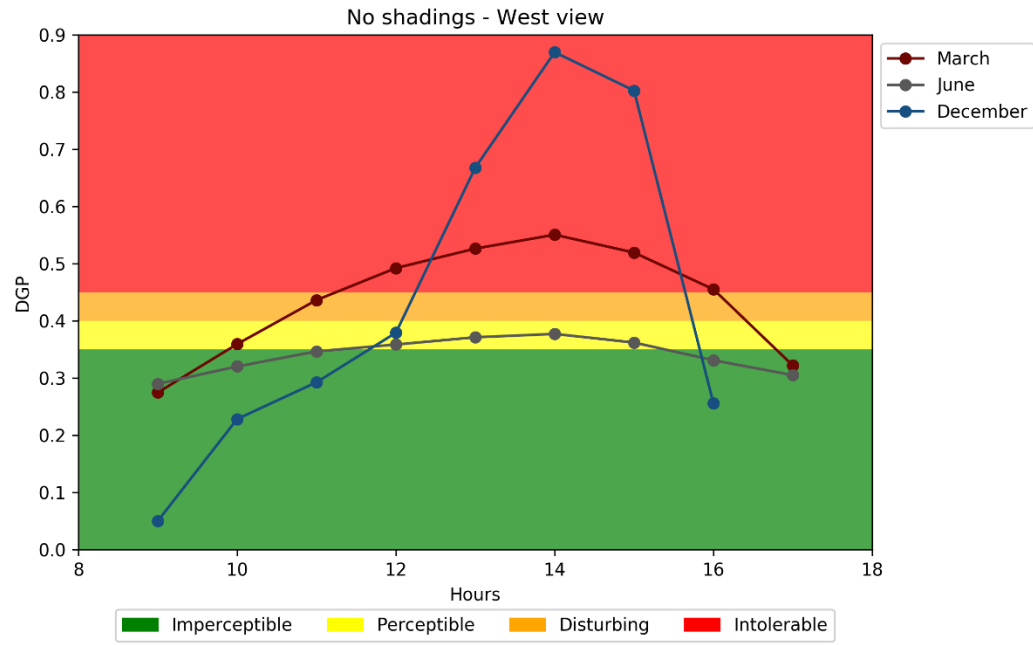


21st December



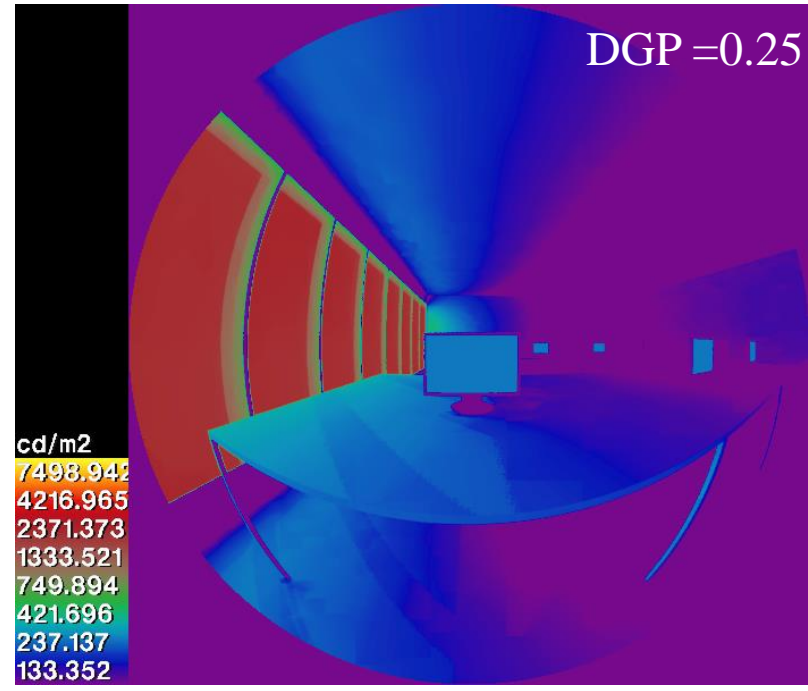
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DGP

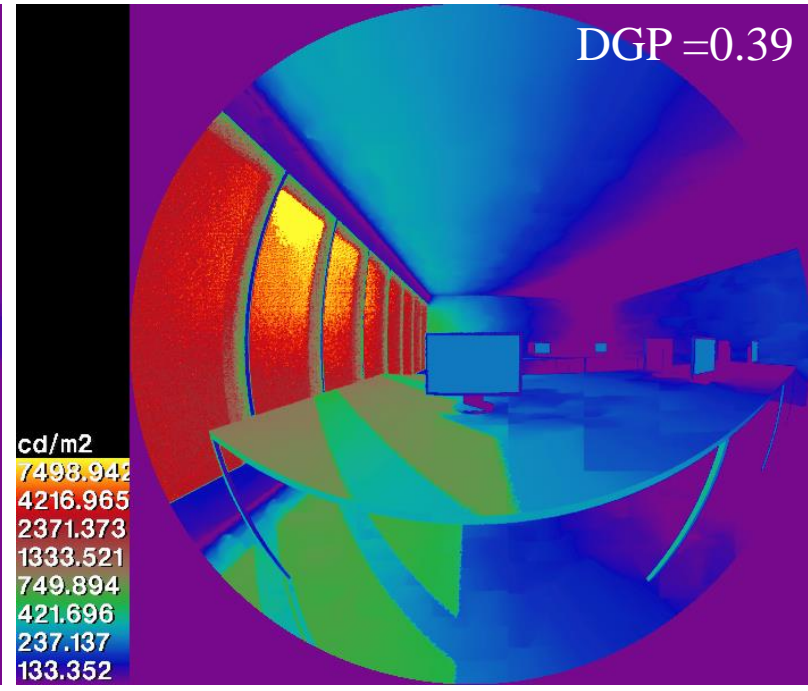


21st March 15:00

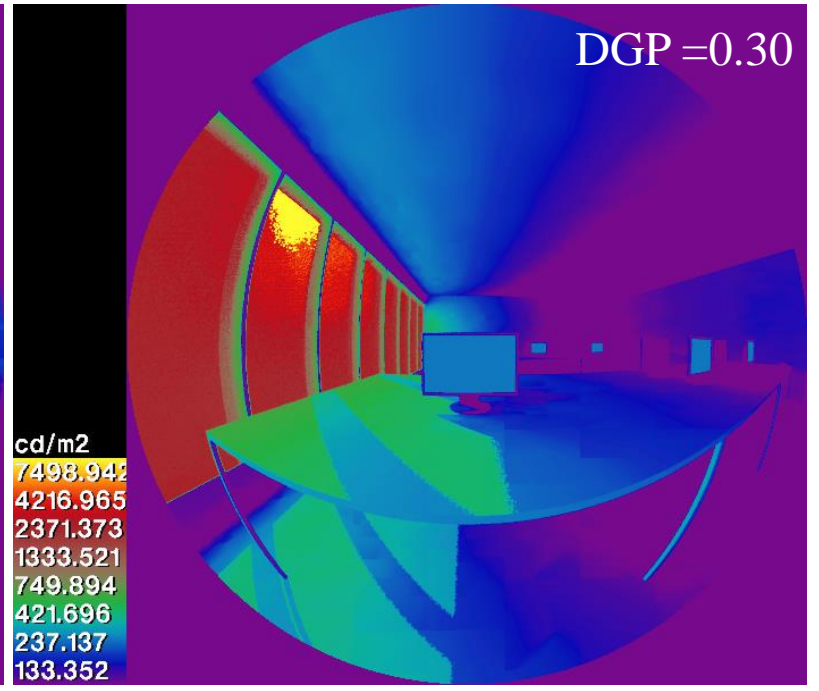
Roller Shade



T2



TM

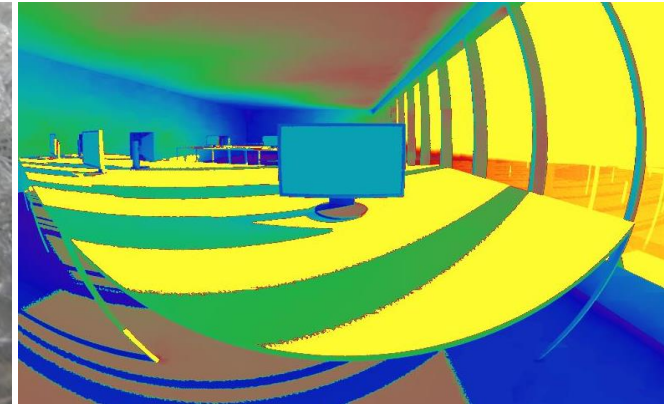


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- 5-phase method with incorporated geometry



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