

# A Different Perspective For Running Radiance

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LightStanza 

# Radiance as a Service (RaaS)

- Web Application
  - Cloud Computing
  - Streamlined User-Interface
  - Collaborative
- Integrates with Revit, Rhino and SketchUp
  - Revit Plugin
    - Automatic Sync
    - Converts Glazing
    - Electric Lighting
  - Rhino Import
  - SketchUp Plugin



# LightStanza makes it easy to spec manufactured products

- Manufacturers give out 30 day subscriptions to Specifiers (consultants & architects)
- LightStanza allows Specifier to easily apply product to their building
- Specifier and manufacturer can communicate through the app
- No installed software by specifier is necessary
- Usage statistics for Manufacturers



PANELITE

Panelite has teamed with LightStanza to make it fast & easy to evaluate and compare Panelite products with incredible accuracy.

Now you can see how Panelite and dozens of other manufacturer products will perform in your own design in minutes!

Design Model with Ordinary Glass



Design Model with Panelite Clearshade TTWR3



## Exclusive Extended Free Trial Offer

4-Week Free Trial

Start Trial

No CC Req'd

- Access all features
- Easily upload your 3D file
- Nothing to download or install

*example: Panelite landing page*

# Standard Ways of Running Radiance can be Tedious

MicroShade® are available for selection. To download a BSDF file, click on the appropriate MicroShade® type below.

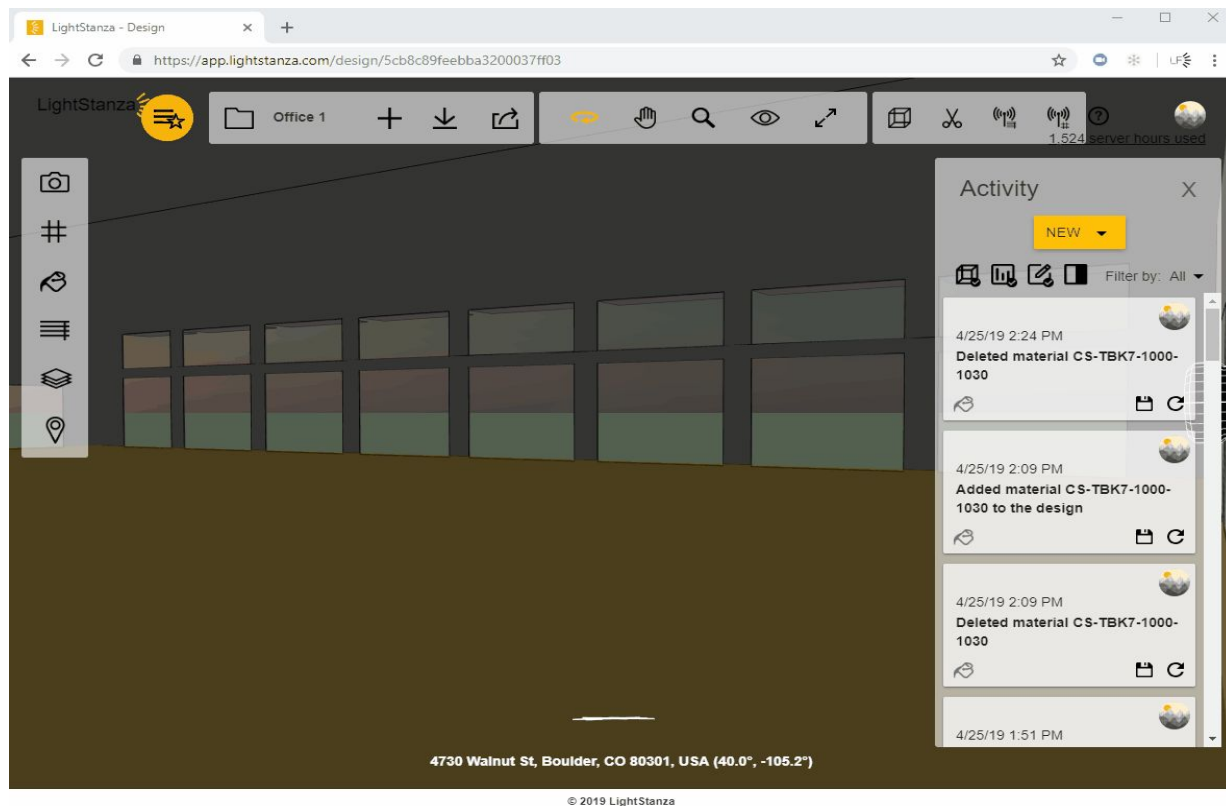
- MS-A (Used in south facing facades)
- MS-D (Used in east and west facing facades)
- MS-RS (Used in roofs with inclination <30°)
- MS-RW (Used in roofs with inclination between 30° and 80°)
  - MS-RW 90° - MS-RW rotated 90°
  - MS-RW 180° - MS-RW rotated 180°
  - MS-RW 270° - MS-RW rotated 270°

**Can be Tedious  
and Error Prone!**



A rotation of MicroShade® is normally done to optimize the g-value. For vertical facades MicroShade® are never rotated, while MicroShade® in roof windows can be rotated depending on the orientation and inclination of the roof. Rotation should be considered for MS-RW for orientations between northeast (45°) and northwest (315°) for all roof windows. Please contact MicroShade A/S at [support@microshade.dk](mailto:support@microshade.dk) in these cases to get the right rotation angle.

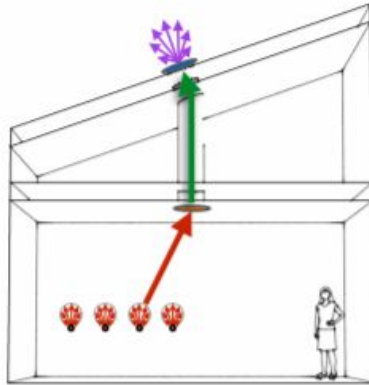
# How Can LightStanza Make this Process Easier?



Drag and Drop BSDF that Automatically Orients Itself

# Expert Tubular Daylight Device (TDD) Modeling

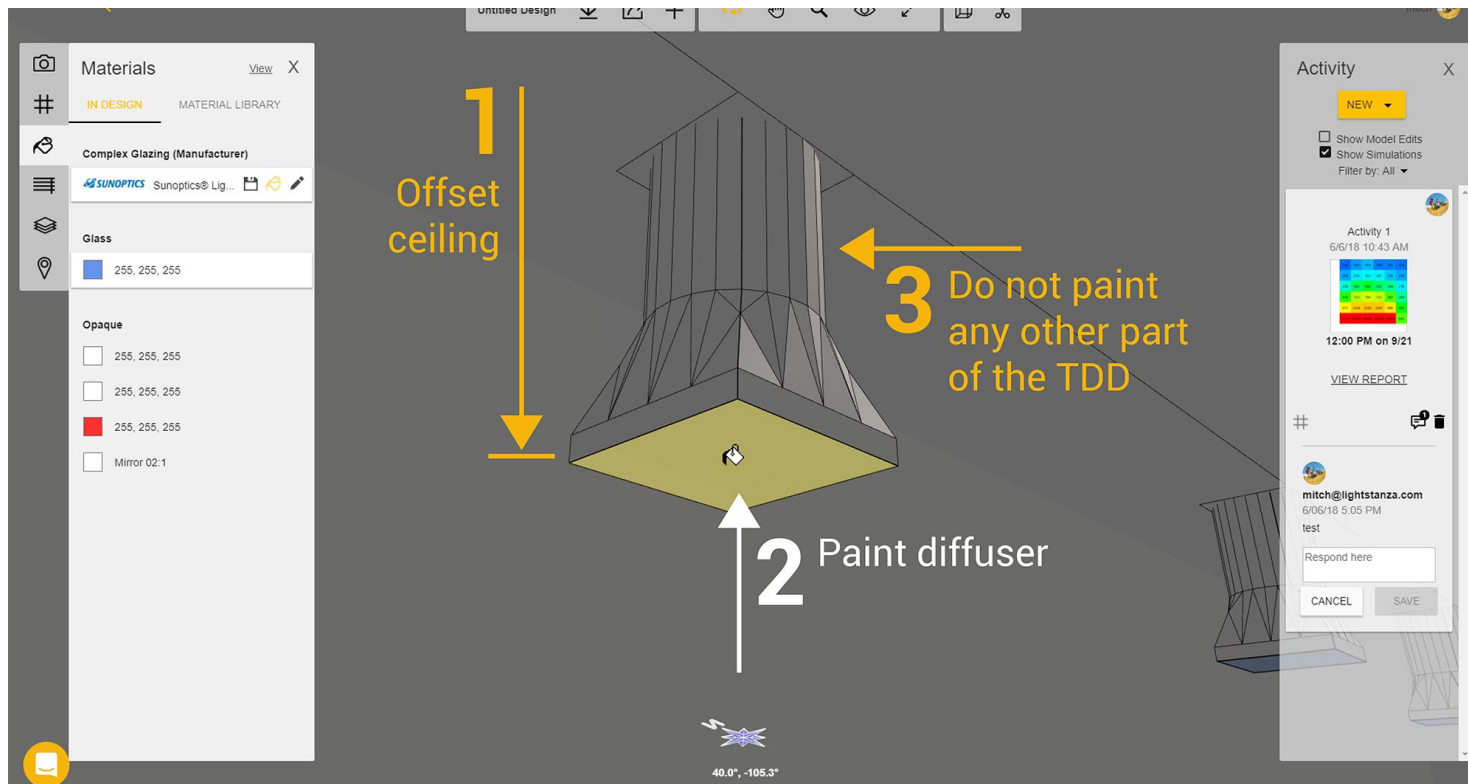
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results/LP_trans.mtx bsdf/glass.xml \  
results/exterior.dmx skies/12_21_15.skv  
| rmtxop -fa -c 47.4 119.9 11.6 - > illum_12_21_15.txt  
└ (Change from Irradiance to Illuminance)
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#?RADIANCE  
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NCOMP=1  
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McNeil 2014 Radiance Workshop

# Simplified Application of TDD's with LightStanza



\* Can import XML Files



# SageGlass-LightStanza Integration Goals

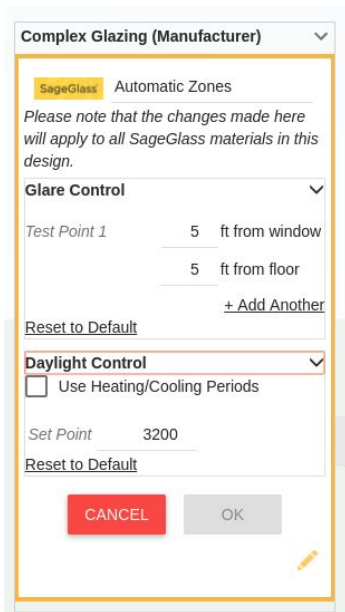
- Allow more people at SageGlass to model their product
- Allow specifiers an easy way to see how their building performs with their glass
- Customized reports
- Anonymous Usage Analytics





# Control Panel- Benefits on Both Ends

## Specifier



The screenshot shows a software interface titled "Complex Glazing (Manufacturer)". It features a "SageGlass" tab and a note: "Please note that the changes made here will apply to all SageGlass materials in this design." Below this, there are two main sections: "Glare Control" and "Daylight Control". The "Glare Control" section includes a dropdown menu, a "Test Point 1" section with two input fields (both set to "5") and a "+ Add Another" button, and a "Reset to Default" link. The "Daylight Control" section includes a checkbox for "Use Heating/Cooling Periods" (which is unchecked), a "Set Point" input field (set to "3200"), and a "Reset to Default" link. At the bottom, there are "CANCEL" and "OK" buttons.

- Gives customer access to proprietary algorithm
- Control Panel shows public part of the algorithm
- LightStanza's simulation engine runs with complete algorithm

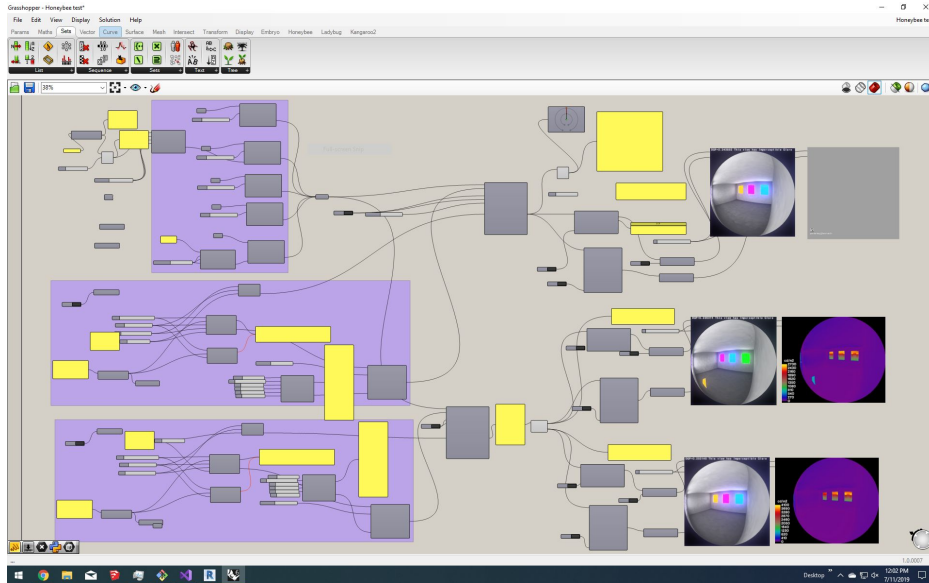
## Manufacturer



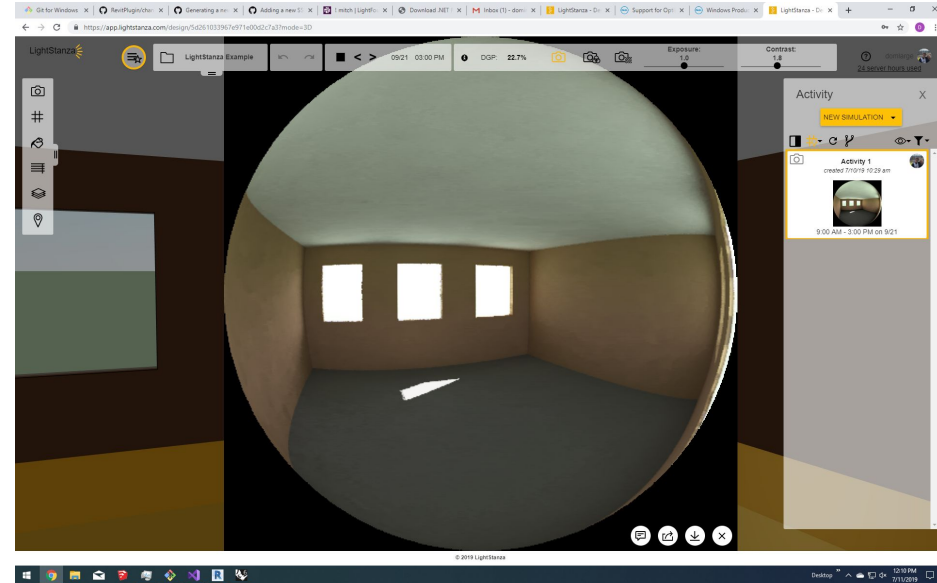
- More detailed panel with proprietary information
- Panel can only be accessed by manufacturer
- Panel hidden from customers

# How To Create an Isomorphic Workflow?

## Grasshopper



## LightStanza



# Schedule Comparisons

## Grasshopper

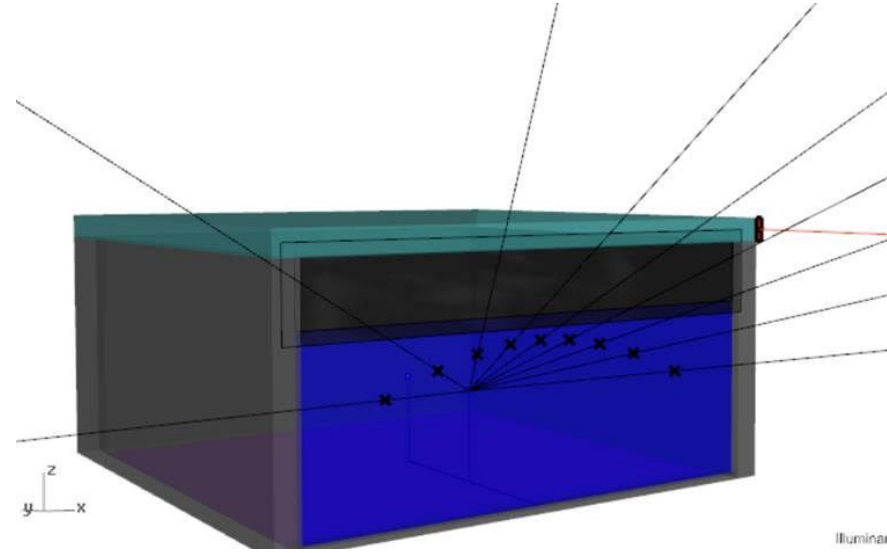
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# LightStanza

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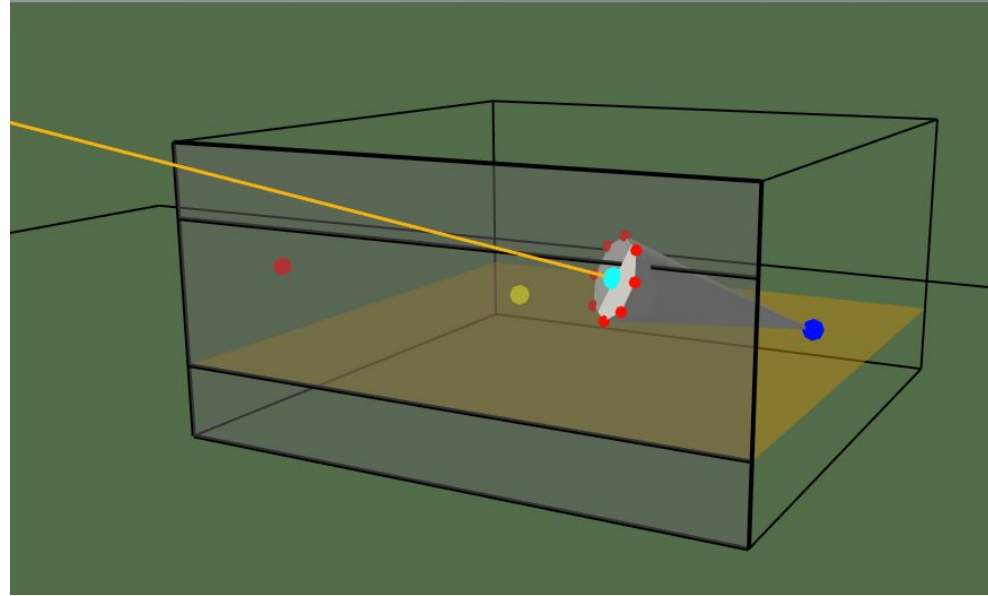
# Easier and More Accurate

Grasshopper



1 Glare Test Point + Line Analysis

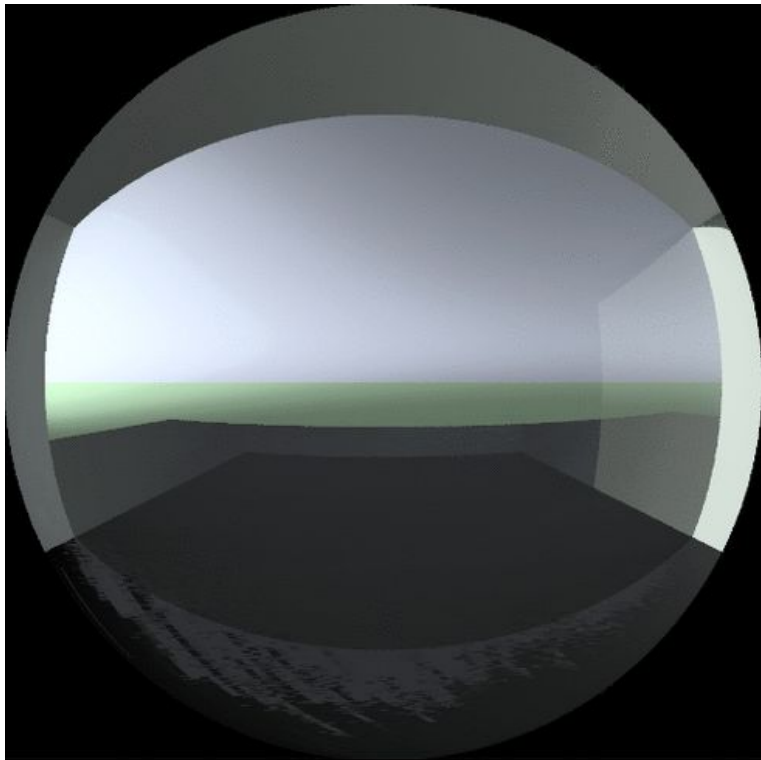
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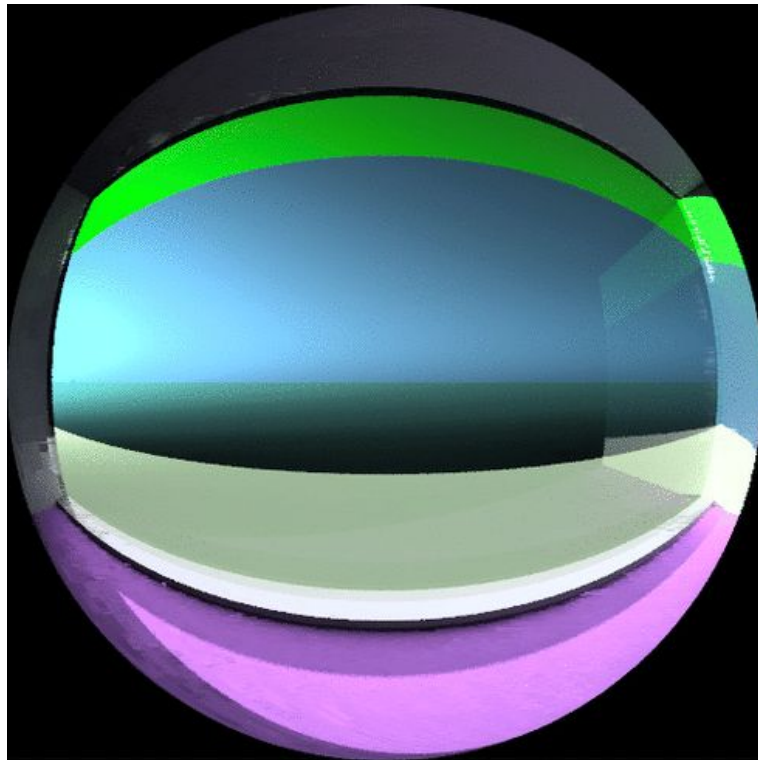
3 Glare Test Points + Cone Analysis

# Multi-Zone Optimization Made Easy

Grasshopper



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# Glare Analysis Example: Ft. Collins Administration Building, Stantec

Overhangs



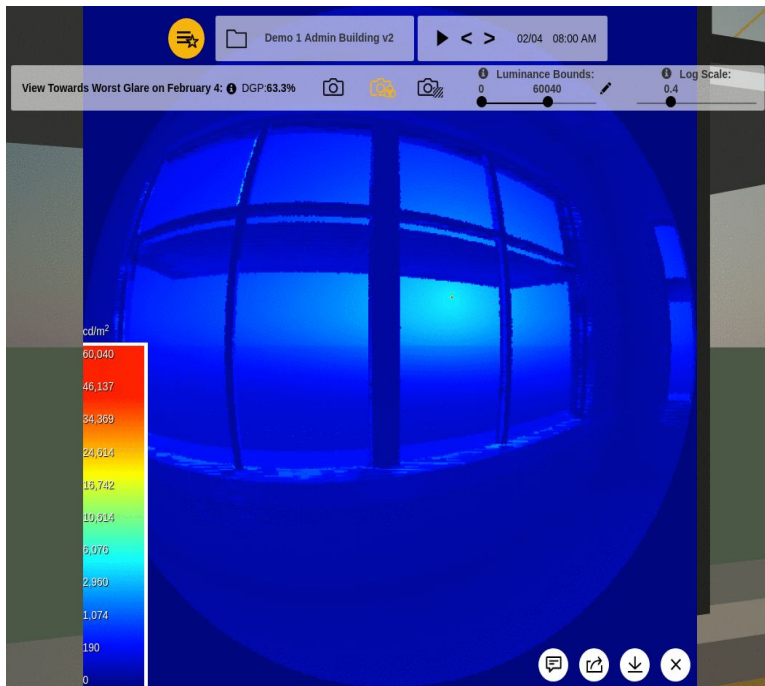
USGBC Mountain West Green Building of the Year (2018)



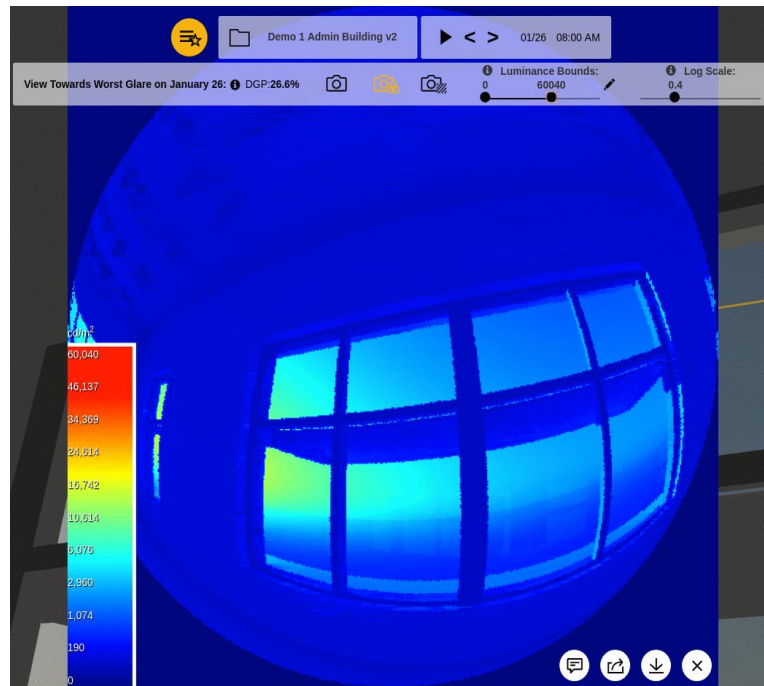
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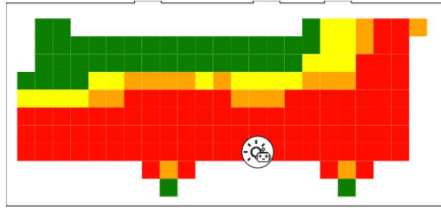


Standard Glass

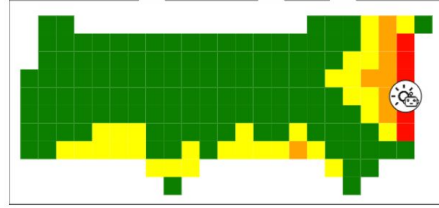


Dynamic Glass

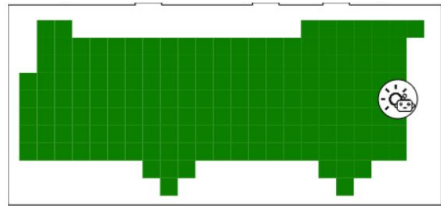
# Glare Management Strategies



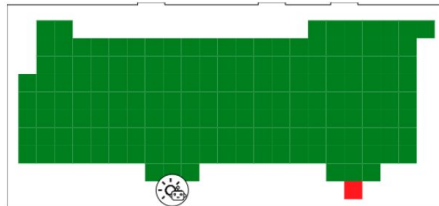
Overhang only



Overhang and  
Redirect film



Dynamic Glass



Automated Shades

Glare Type	
	Imperceptible
	Perceptible
	Disturbing
	Intolerable

- Full Year Analysis
- 26 view directions from each grid point

# Live Links



Just click here!

Regular glass 3D view: <http://app.lightstanza.com/qKw1VJJzq>

EC Glass 3D view: <http://app.lightstanza.com/dqBX9Nwur>

Compare mode: <http://app.lightstanza.com/GvAoa849S>

Quickly go to model, analysis & simulation parameters, even without a LightStanza account

# Daylight Design FAIL:

All blinds are drawn in the middle of the day





# Shade Modeling





# Shades are Automatically Applied to Every Window\*

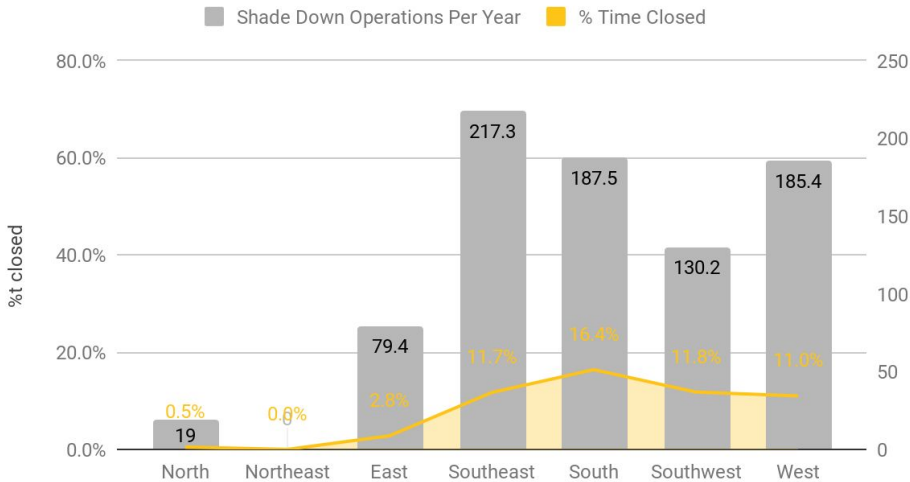


\* Can be turned off and adjusted

# Active versus Passive Occupant use of Shades

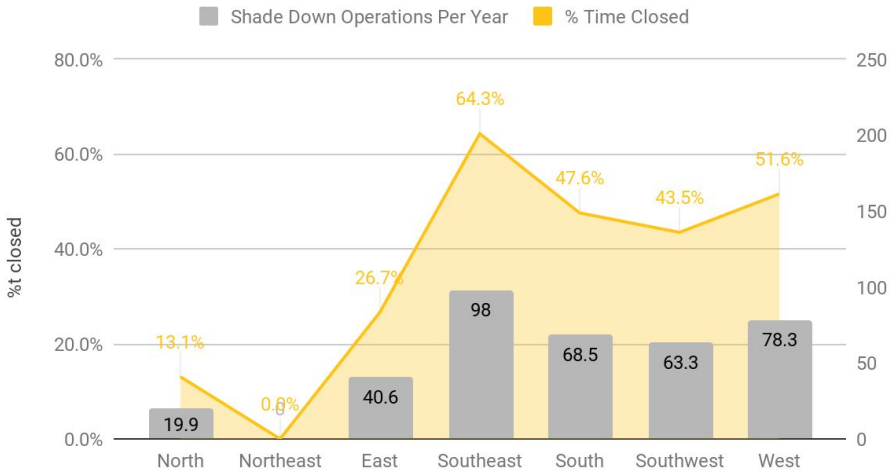
## Active

Spatial Daylight Autonomy



## Passive

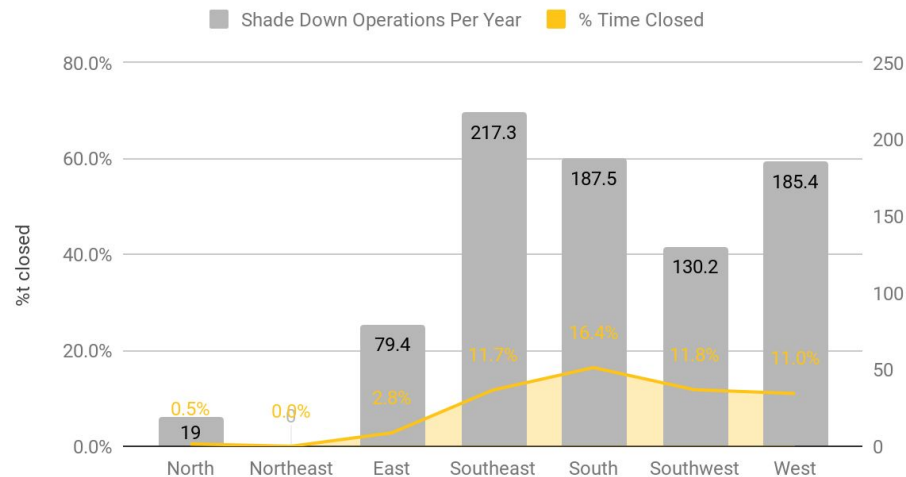
Spatial Daylight Autonomy (24 Hour Hysteresis, 0.5% Trigger)



# LightStanza Facilitates a Transition to the Standard

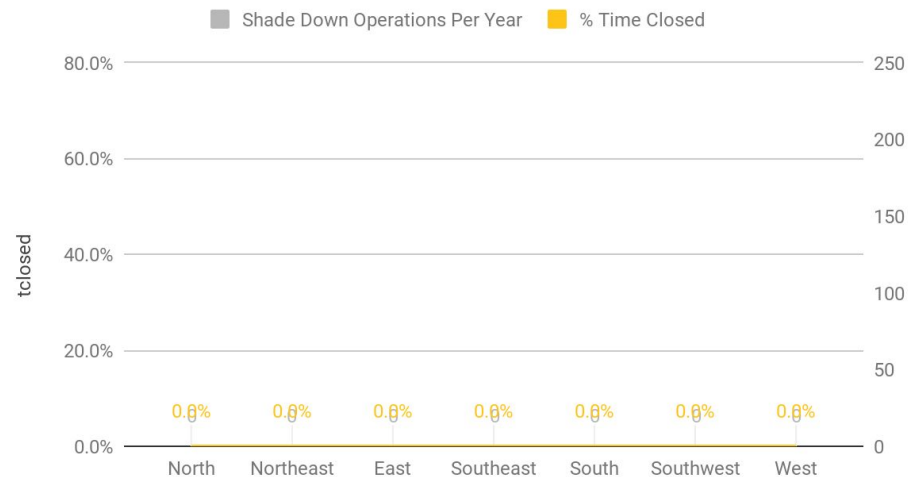
## Shade IESNA LM-83 Standard

### Spatial Daylight Autonomy



## Designing without Shades

### Spatial Daylight Autonomy (No Shades)



# LightStanza Provides Raw Report Data

## **i** Blinds:

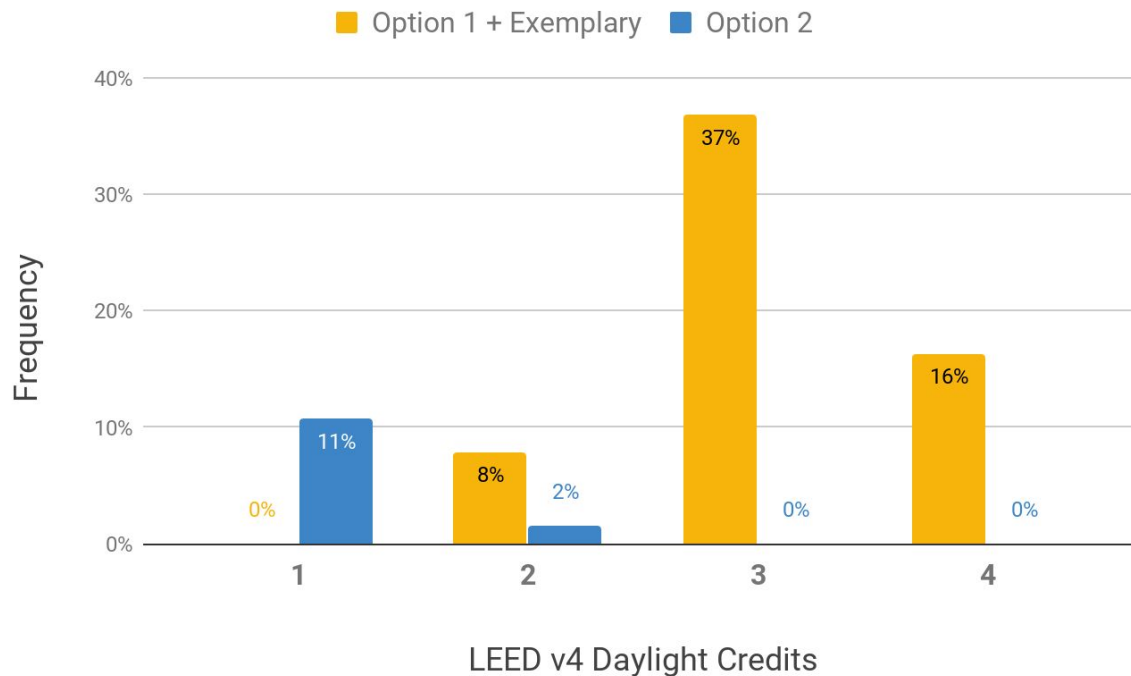
*5% Shade White (Dynamic; Offset 1.00 in.; 0.5% Area Trigger; 1,000 lux Direct Sun Trigger)*

**Blinds Hysteresis:** 24 hours

## **i** Blinds Summary

	$N_{\text{groups}}$	<b>i</b> $t_{\text{closed}}$	<b>i</b> $N_{\text{down}}$	<b>i</b> $N_{\text{up}}$
North	16	13.1%	19.9	19.9
Northeast	5	0.0%	0.0	0.0
East	14	26.7%	40.6	40.4
Southeast	4	64.3%	98.0	97.0
South	10	47.6%	68.5	67.7
Southwest	13	43.5%	63.3	62.6
West	7	51.6%	78.3	78.0
<b>i</b> All	69	32.5%	48.3	48.0

# What are Anonymous Usage Analytics?



Presented at Greenbuild 2018

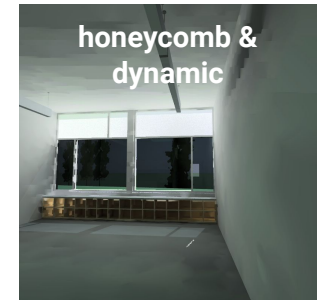
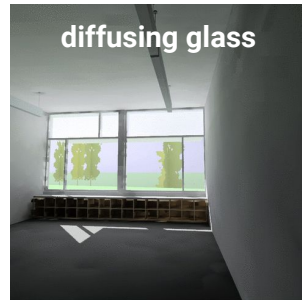
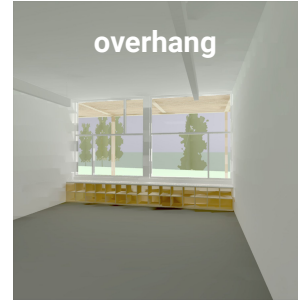
# Daylight Design Success:

Minimal shade usage by solar control





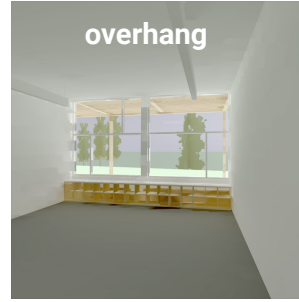
# Comparing Multiple Design Options



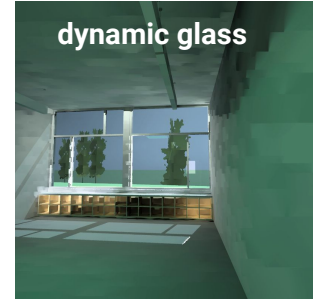
# Bulk Simulation Results



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**DA=93%**  
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**GLARE=56%**



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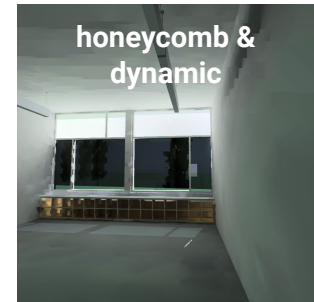
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**GLARE=0%**



**AVG=2557 lux**  
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**GLARE=41%**



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**GLARE=62%**



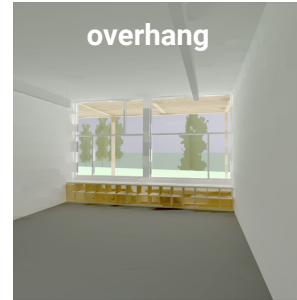
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Excessive glare

# Design Selection



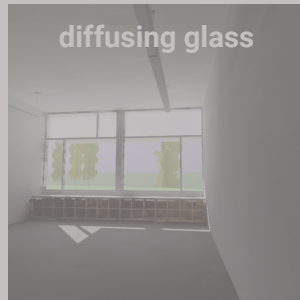
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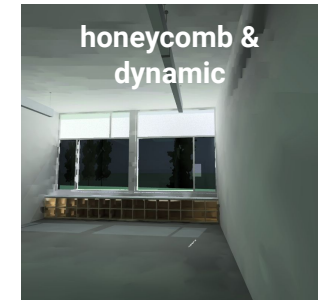
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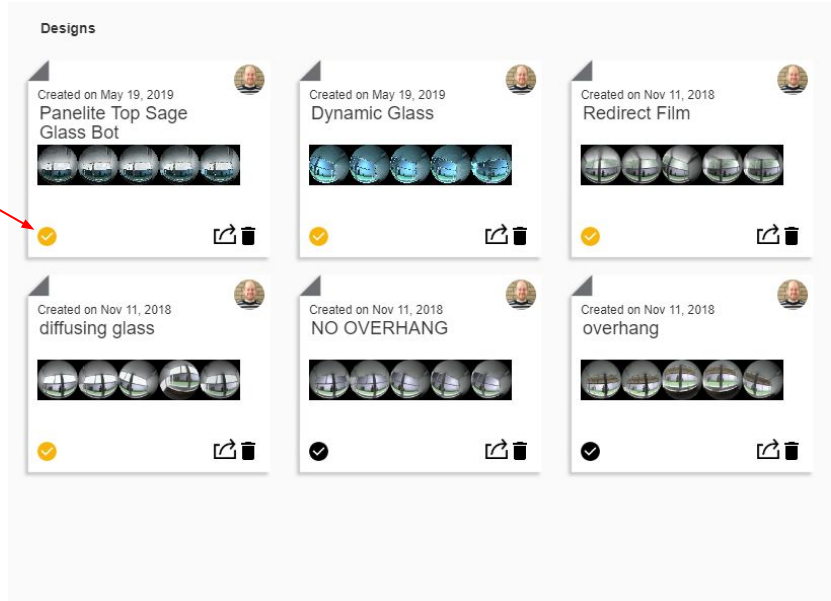
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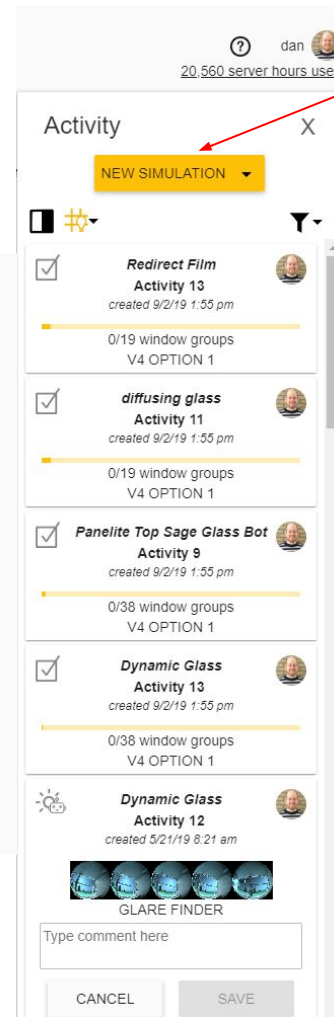
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# Bulk Simulation Process

1  
Select designs



2 Choose simulation type



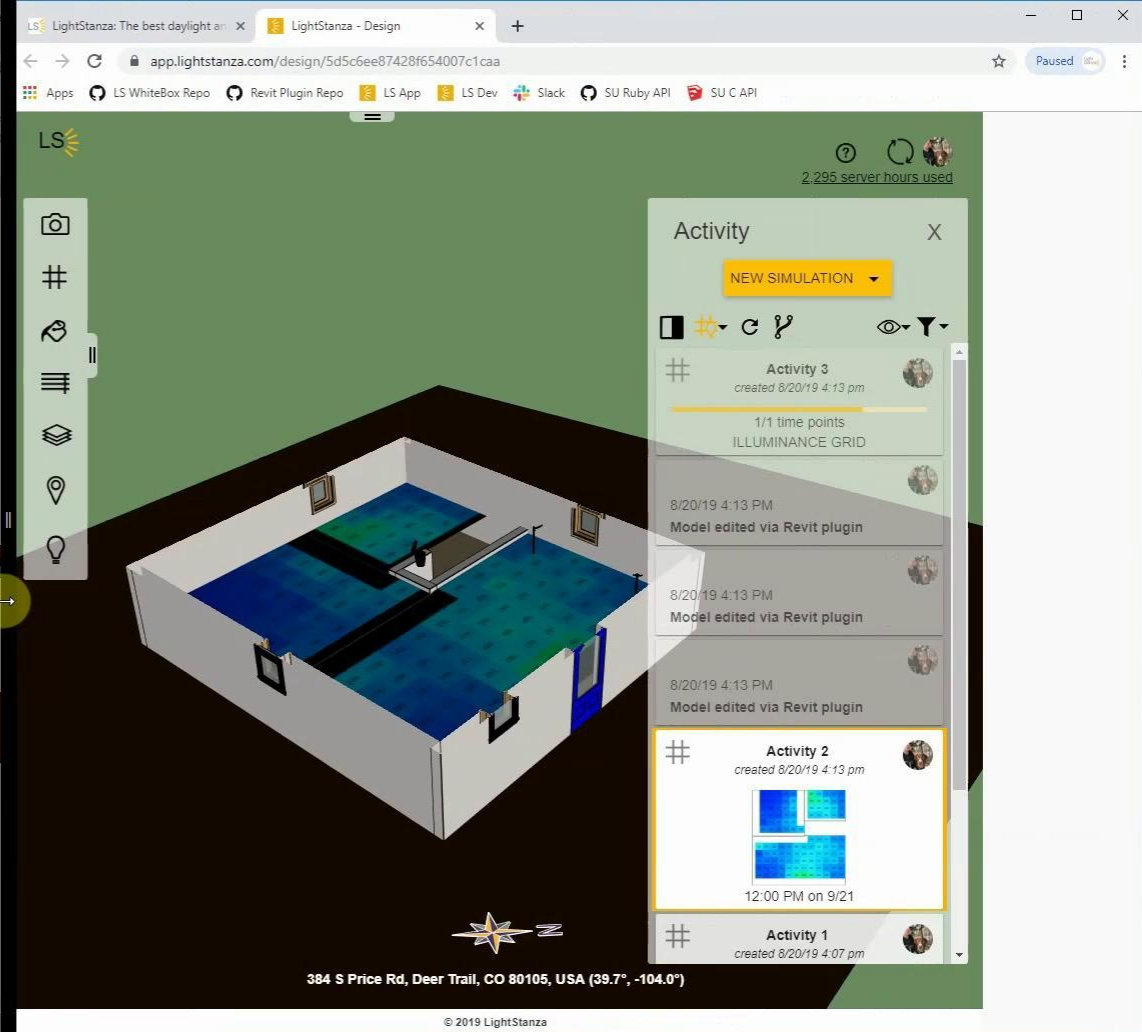
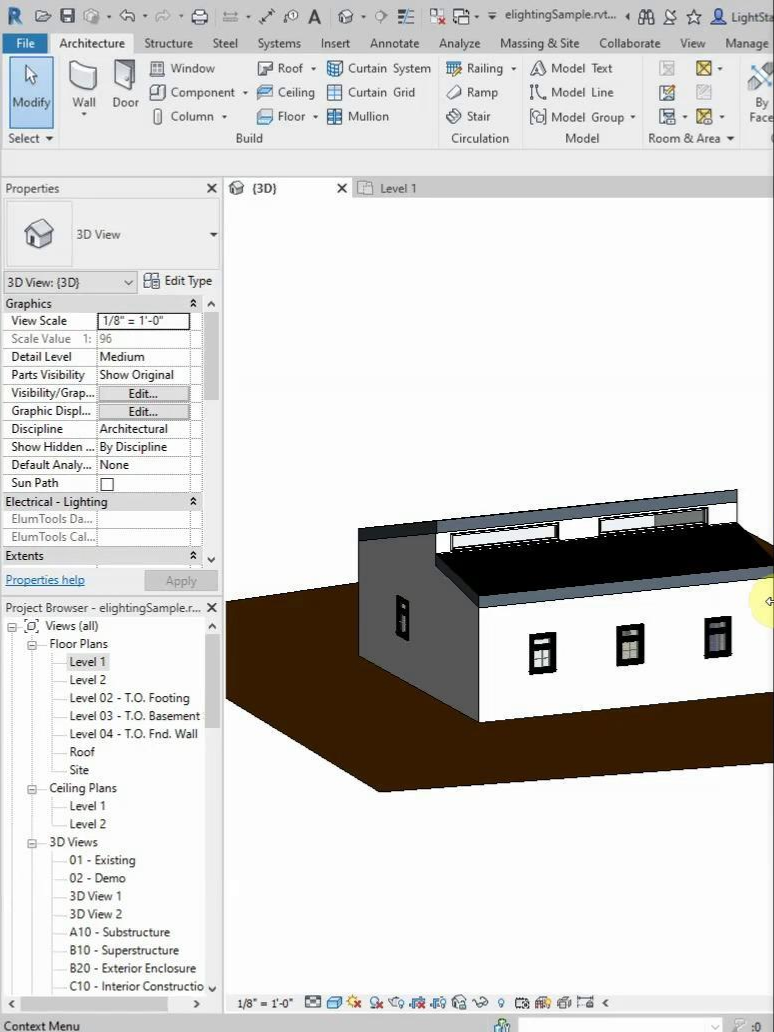
3 Simulations run simultaneously

# Electric Light Modeling

- Works Directly with Revit Model
- Luminaires are specified in Revit
- Updates Automatically Synced between Revit → LightStanza
  - Geometry
  - Luminaires
  - Everything Else
- Calculations in LightStanza



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# Discussion/Questions



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