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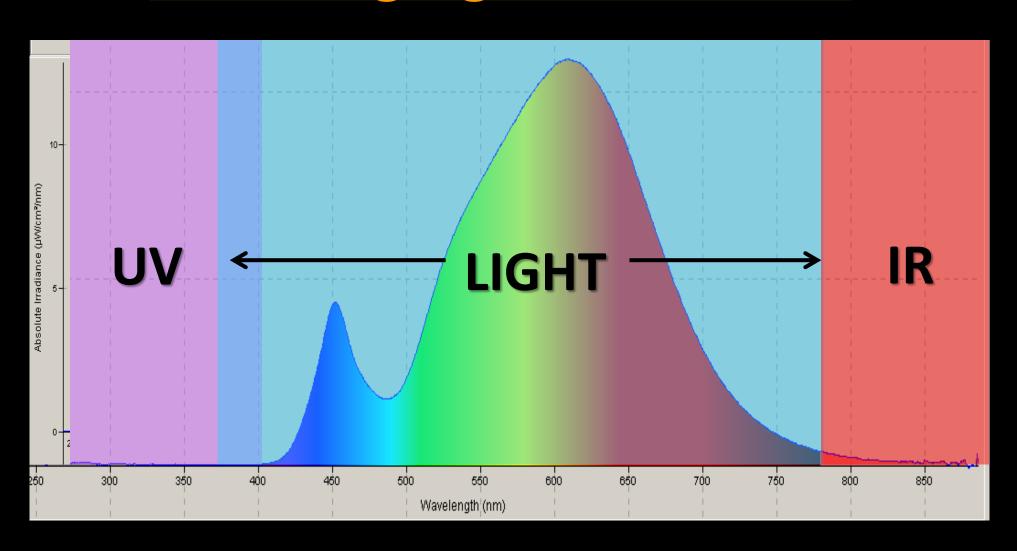
DISPLAY & PRESERVE

50 LUX Very light sensitive objects



What is light?

Assessing Light, UV, and IR





Blue LED





SMASHED OPEN BULB SHOWING LEDs



REMOTE PHOSPHOR DISK SITS OVER LEDs

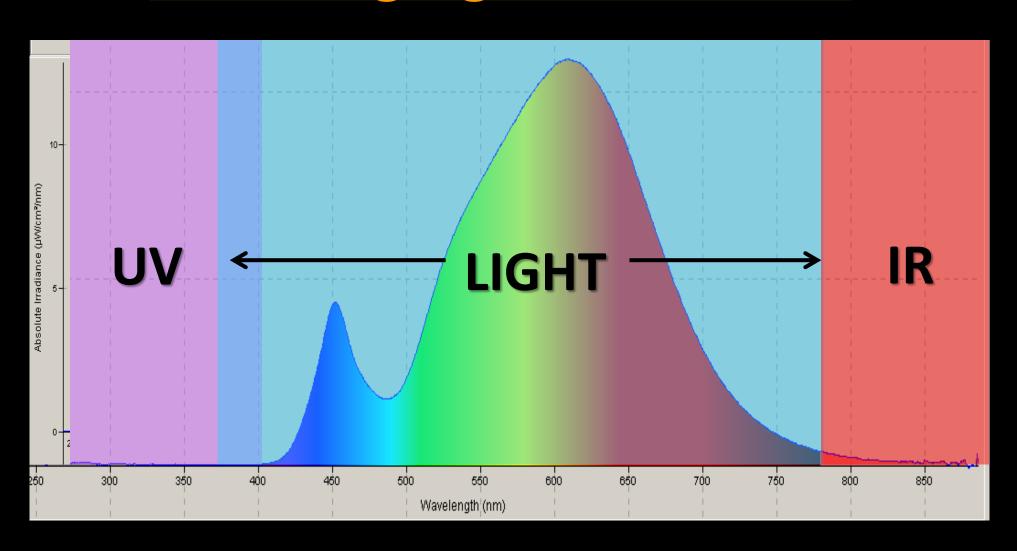
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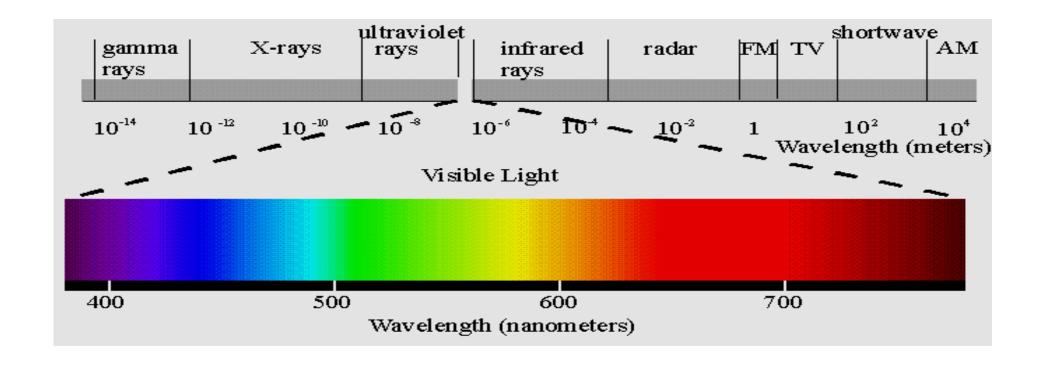


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ACTION SPECTRA



CIE 1931 Standard
Colorimetric Observer:

ACTION

SPECTRA

0 380 420 460 500 540 580 620 660 700 740 Wavelength in nanometers

SOURCE: IES

QUANTITY

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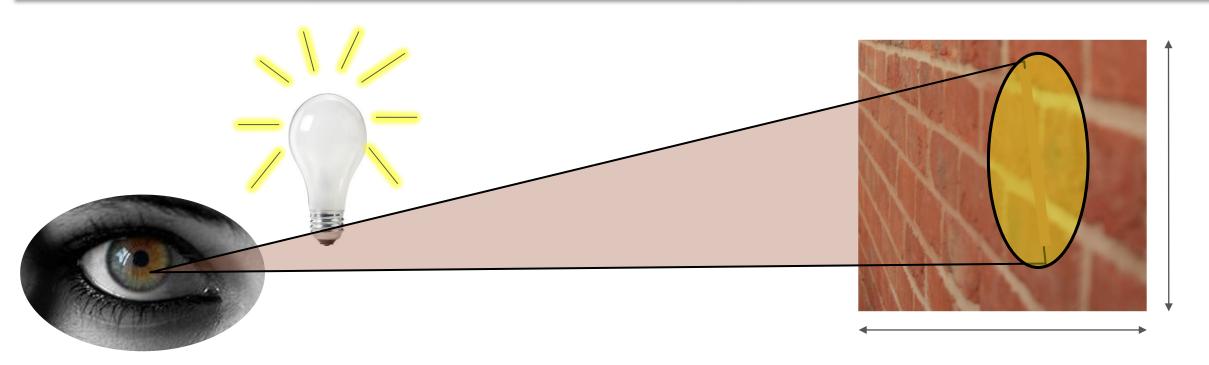


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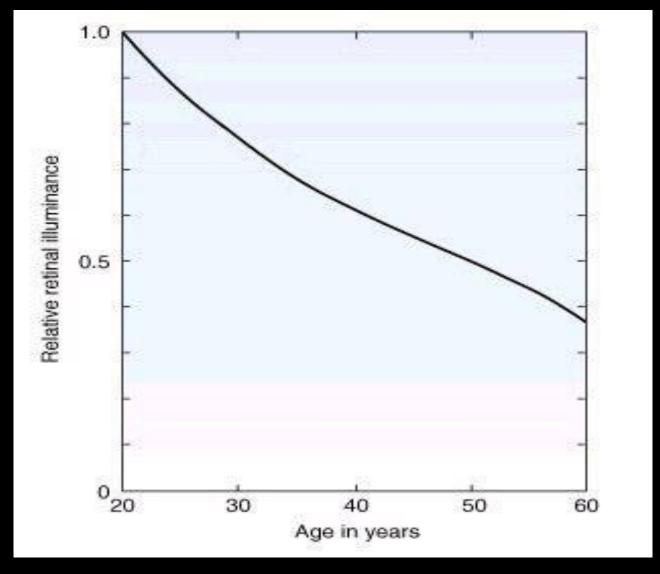
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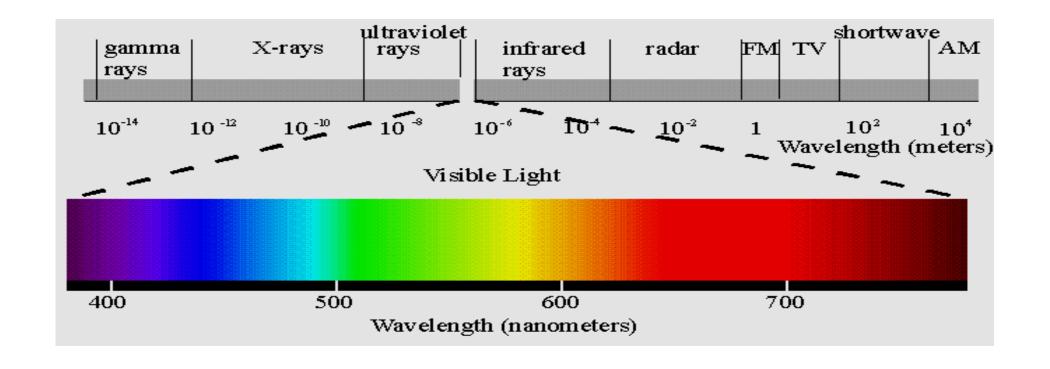
The Decline in Retinal Illuminance with Age (Source: IES)

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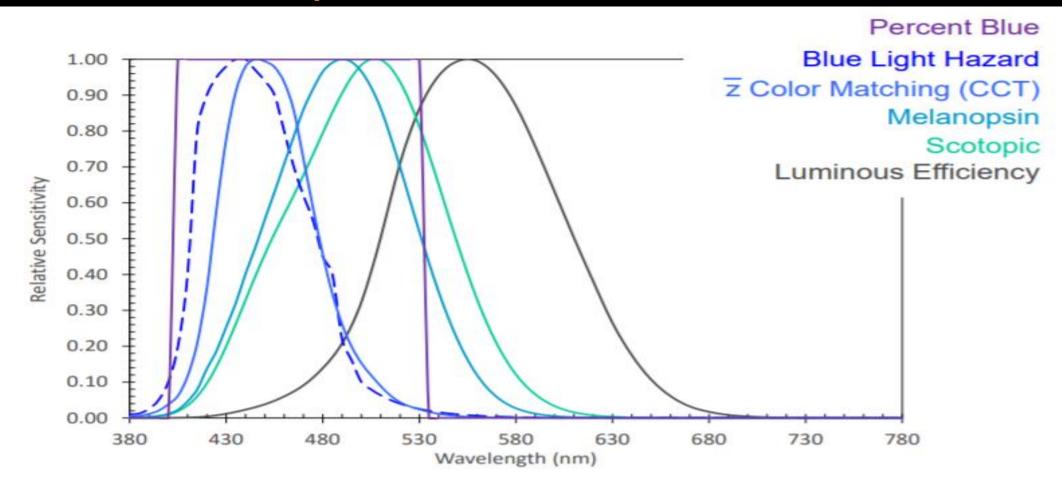
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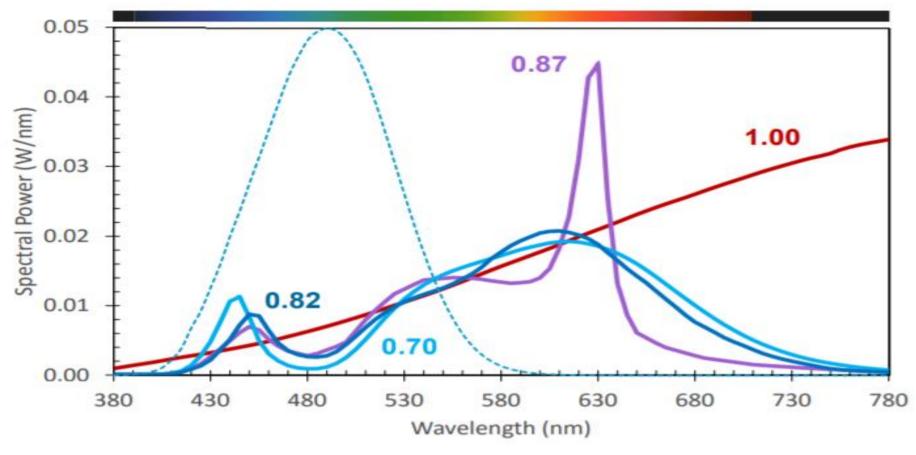


BLUE LIGHT HAZARD AND ipRGC RESPONSE





Comparing Spectral Power Distributions



Melanoptic Response



Compare with numbers!

		Luminous			Relative Scotopic	Relative Melanopic	Relative BLH
Row	Light source	Flux (Im)	CCT (K)	% Blue*	Potential	Potential**	Potential
A	PC White LED	1000	2700	17%-20%	0.80-0.99	0.70-0.99	0.79-1.05
В	PC White LED	1000	3000	18%-25%	0.85-1.08	0.77-1.10	0.67-1.35
C	PC White LED	1000	3500	22%-27%	0.92 - 1.24	0.86-1.31	1.21-1.70
D	PC White LED	1000	4000	27%-32%	0.95-1.20	0.86-1.25	1.38-1.94
E	PC White LED	1000	4500	31%-35%	1.06-1.29	1.01-1.40	1.77-2.11
F	PC White LED	1000	5000	34%-39%	1.17-1.31	1.17-1.38	1.91-2.46
G	PC White LED	1000	5700	39%-43%	1.25 - 1.50	1.27-1.66	2.22-2.74
н	PC White LED	1000	6500	43%-48%	1.48-1.79	1.61-2.15	2.52-2.84
1	Narrowband Amber LED	1000	1606	0%	0.16	0.04	0.02
J	Low Pressure Sodium	1000	1718	0%	0.16	0.04	0.01
K	PC Amber LED	1000	1872	1%	0.32	0.15	0.06
L	High Pressure Sodium	1000	1959	9%	0.40	0.32	0.36
M	High Pressure Sodium	1000	2041	10%	0.45	0.37	0.42
N	Mercury Vapor	1000	6924	36%	1.05	0.91	2.58
0	Mercury Vapor	1000	4037	35%	0.96	0.92	3.36
P	Metal Halide	1000	3145	24%	0.98	0.94	1.28
Q	Metal Halide	1000	4002	33%	1.14	1.16	2.15
R	Metal Halide	1000	4041	35%	1.28	1.38	2.14
5	Moonlight***	1000	4681	29%	1.50	1.68	2.26
T	Incandescent	1000	2812	11%	1.00	1.00	1.00
U	Halogen	1000	2934	13%	1.03	1.03	1.03
V	F32T8/830 Fluorescent	1000	2940	20%	0.91	0.84	1.08
W	F32T8/835 Fluorescent	1000	3480	26%	1.07	1.05	1.50
X	F32T8/841 Fluorescent	1000	3969	30%	1.17	1.17	1.68

Percent blue calculated according to LSPDD: Light Spectral Power Distribution Database, http://galileo.graphycs.cegepsherbrooke.qc.CA/app/en/home



^{**} Melanopic content calculated according to CIE Irradiance Toolbox, http://files.cie.co.at/784_TN003_Toolbox.xls, 2015

^{***} Measurement by Telelumen. Moonlight does not have a constant CCT.

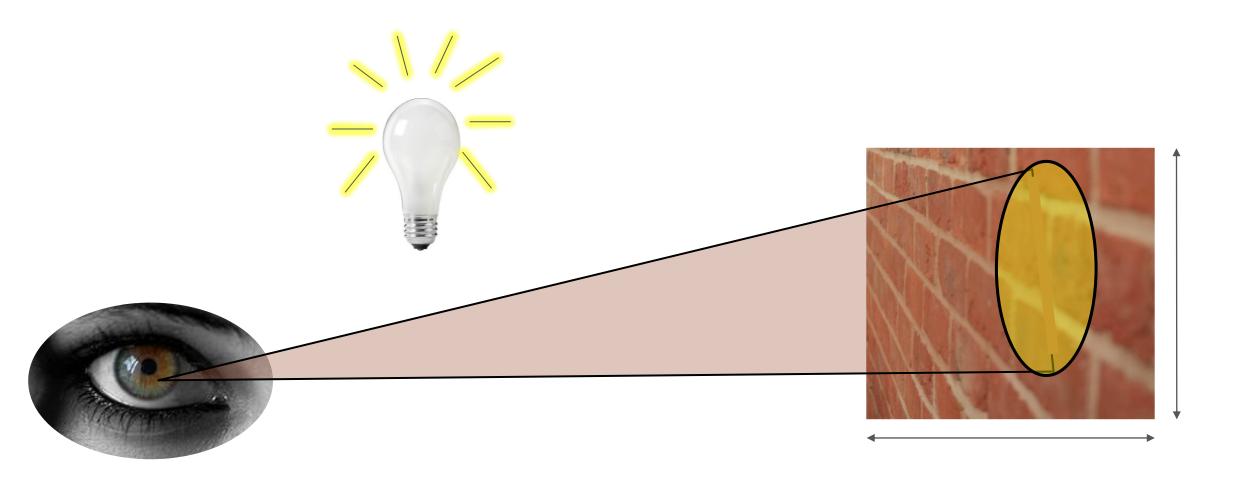
PC – Phosphor Converted LED



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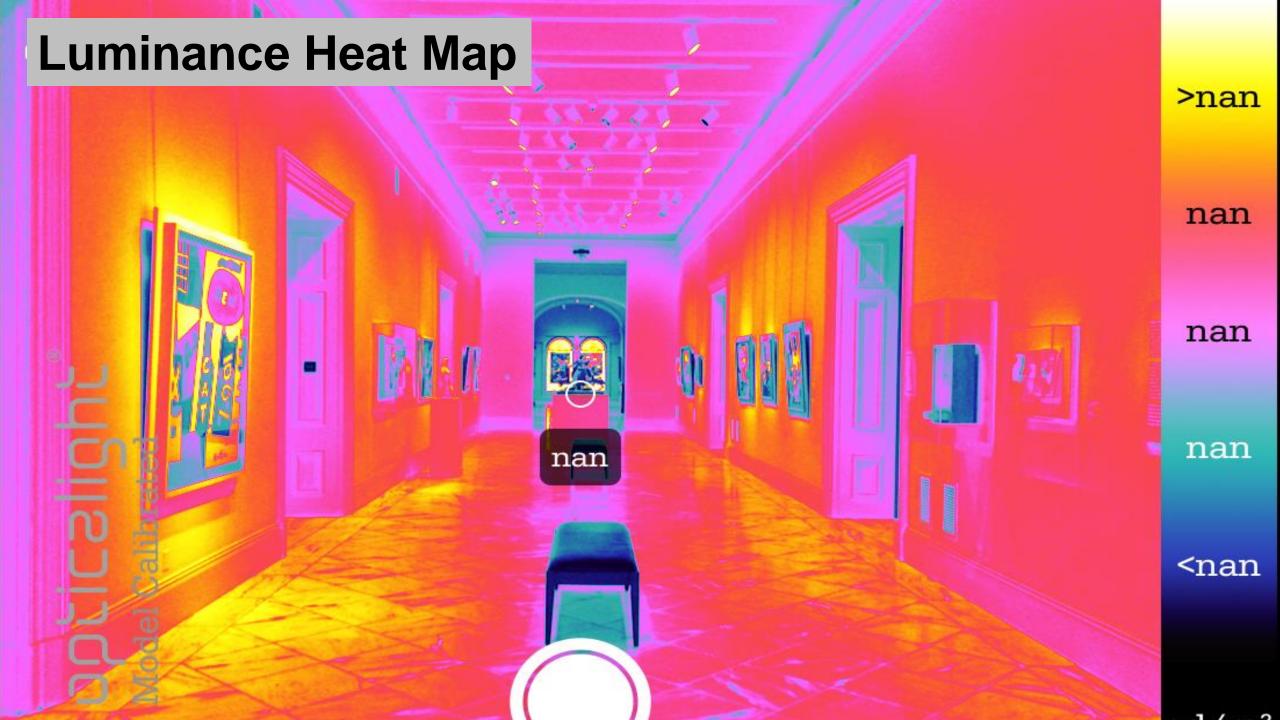


LUMINANCE BASED DESIGN



REAL WORLD EXAMPLES

















HOW MUCH LIGHT DO PEOPLE REALLY NEED TO SAFELY NAVIGATE THE BUILT ENVIROMENT?

























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