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WP 4 - Optical measurement and data-processing methods applying bi-directional data



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Two major outcomes from WP4

- Detailed angle-resolved bi-directional scattering data (BSDF)
 - Goniophotometer measurements at Fraunhofer ISE and LBNL
 - Measured data as input to Radiance
 - Documented in IEA SHC Task 61 on "Integrated Solutions for Daylighting and Electric Lighting" white paper
- Diffuse glazing model in WINDOW 7.8
 - NFRC standards for spectrally resolved scattering data
 - Based on normal-normal and normal-diffuse components
 - Measured with large-entrance-port integrating sphere











IEA SHC Task 61 measurement procedures

- Fraunhofer ISE and LBNL collaborated with other members of task 61 to decrease the variance in our measurement results using photogoniometers
 - Dark signal correction for samples with dominating specular components
 - Beam size, shape and focus
 - Standardized conversion to Klems basis using Radiance







IEA SHC Task 61 measurement procedures

- Good agreement between direct-direct and direct-hemispherical values
- Slightly different distribution around the specular direction

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Figures by D. Moroder-Geisler, Bartenbach





IEA SHC Task 61 daylight analysis

- Point-in-time rendering of images using LBNL and Fraunhofer ISE data for a shade screen
- The method is sensitive to variation between the data sets but qualitatively give the same result with respect to the glare area in the scene

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Point-in time rendering





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Ev = 593 lx, DGP = 0.28

Ev = 1145 lx, DGP = 0.38

Glare evaluation Figures by D. Moroder-Geisler, Bartenbach



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NFRC 300 and NFRC 301 standards for integrating-sphere measurements of normal-normal and normal-diffuse components of light-scattering glazing products

- Previous situation: Measured transmittance values for light-scattering glazing were up to 0.10 too low!
- A commercial instrument was needed for industry to accept a standard for measuring diffuse glazing
- An inter-laboratory comparison (ILC) with 12 labs, a mix of the commercial and research instruments
- Normal-hemispherical values within +- 0.02 which matches reflectance measurements of specular glazing
- The NFRC standards language is suitable for adoption in EN410 and ISO 9050







NFRC 300 and NFRC 301 standards for integrating-sphere measurements of normal-normal and normal-diffuse components of light-scattering glazing products

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- Slightly worse agreement for the normalnormal component, within 0.03 for transmittance and 0.04 for reflectance
- Well-known that sphere geometry influences the measured value for the normal-diffuse measured value
- The control put in place was meant to normalize the impact of the geometry but did not completely compensate all effects





Understanding why there is larger disagreement in normal-normal measurements of glass samples

- Definition of new quantity, normal-conical, allowed for detailed study using high-resolution BSDF data to predict what would be expected for different geometries
- Comparing the measured data and expected value from the normal-conical value matching that measurement instrument's geometry, it was clear that there was a mismatch
- The beam gets larger for glass samples and even at 3mm thickness there is a significantly larger spot than the reference measurement case









NFRC 301 covers emissivity of rough surfaces

- FTIR instruments with an integrating sphere are not common among glass manufacturers since coated glass is specular and can be measured with near-normal reflectance accessory
- A broadband emissometer was compared to FTIR instruments fitted with integrating spheres to find a low-cost and easy-to-use alternative to an IR integrating sphere
- Good agreement was achieved between 3 integrating spheres and 5 emissometers







Modelling diffuse glazing in WINDOW 7.8

- Text files with data for normal-normal and normal-diffuse reflectance and transmittance can be imported
- Allows for U and SHCG (g-value) calculation of multi-pane window configurations where one or more of the panes is a diffuse glazing
- Public version soon to be released which will allow for NFRC to update its simulation manual and allow for more accurate NFRC rating of windows with diffuse glazing



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