



# QUANTITATIVE TOOLS FOR ON-SITE VISUAL COMFORT ASSESSMENT

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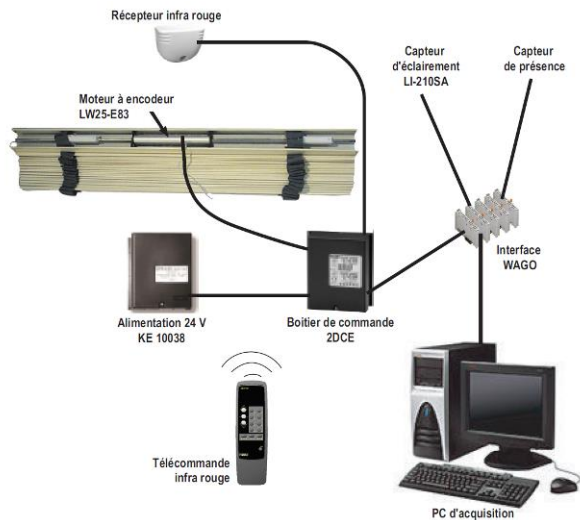
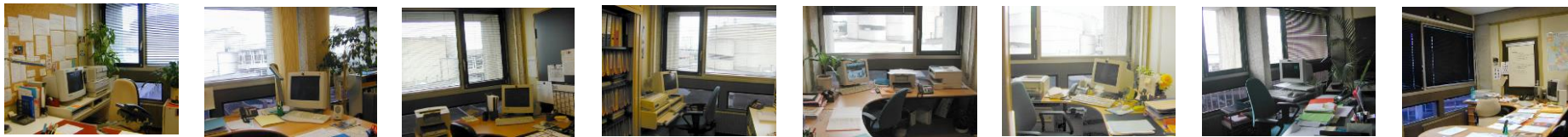
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# LIGHTING FIELD STUDY

In 2002...



The set-up of this field study took  
**2 months**

Drilling,  
Wiring,  
Coding....

# LIGHTING FIELD STUDY

In 2018...



20 sensors that measured illuminance every 5 minutes for 3 weeks

The set-up of this field study took **30 minutes**

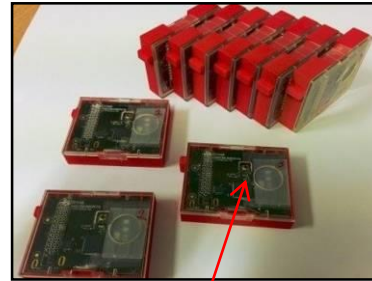
# MEASUREMENT - Multi comfort lux box

## AN EASY WAY TO MEASURE DAYLIGHT IN OCCUPIED OFFICES

The Multi Comfort LUX BOX, a wireless setup to measure light in occupied spaces  
SG is developing the tool for past or future in situ measurements (*SG general delegation in Germany, SG headquarters in La Défense, new SG tower in La Défense currently under construction...*)

At a R&D stage.

- 10 luxmeters → mapping the room to assess homogeneity
- Small footprint
- Light and portable
- **Wireless**
- Flexible
- Battery operation time of 1 month
- Low cost (30 times less than a Li-Cor set-up)
- Reliable
- Programmable measurement time-lapse



SensorTag with luxmeter



Raspberry Pi

### Duration:



- Setup installation 30 minutes
- Measurement duration : from few hours to weeks or month

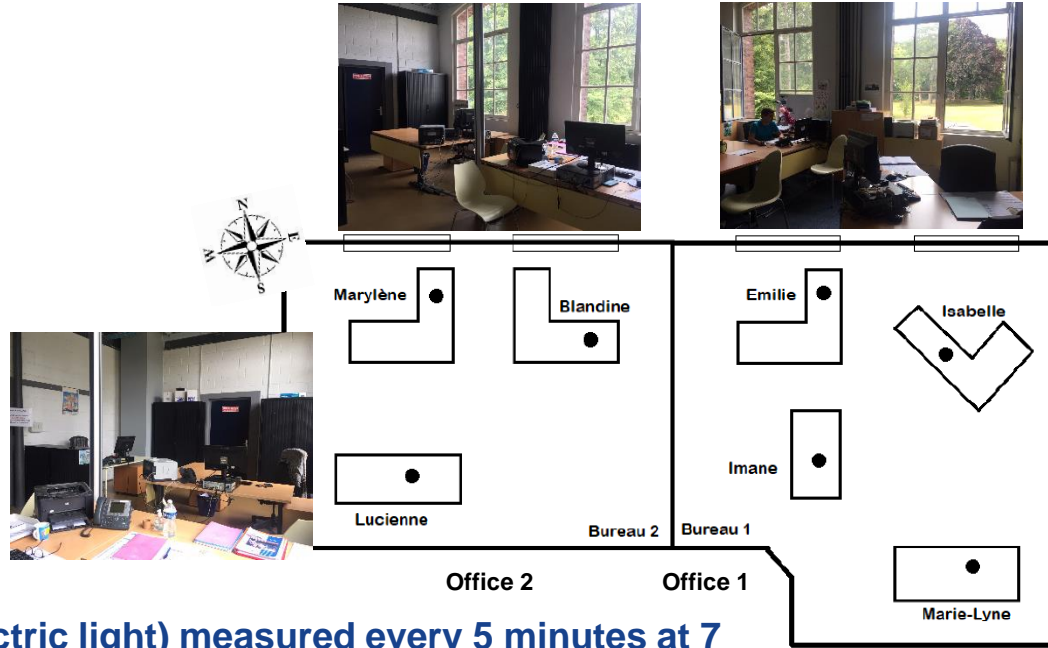
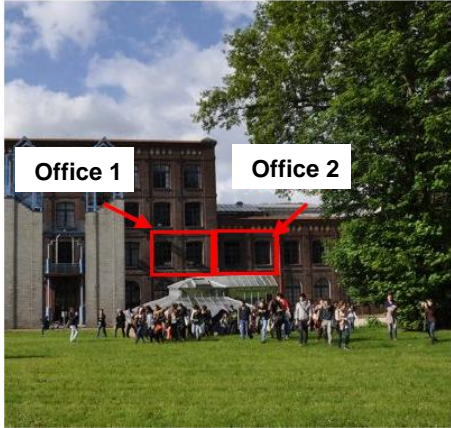


**Output:** Illuminance at 10 points in the room for the measurement period

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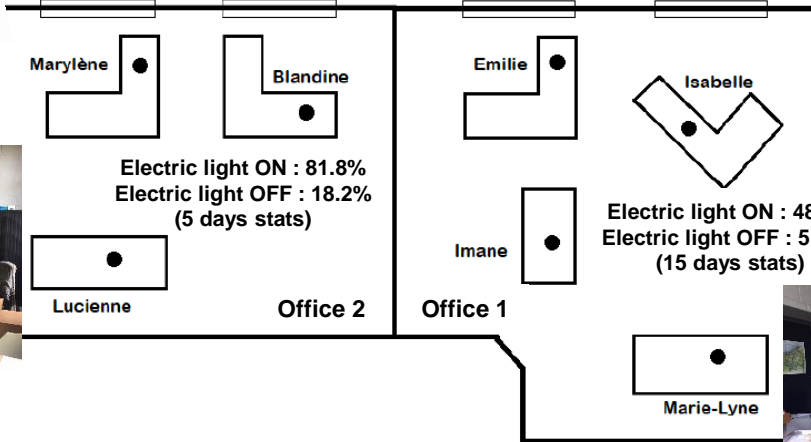
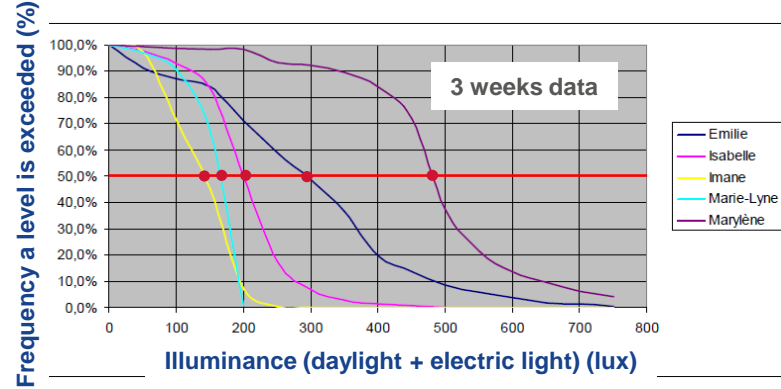


**Illuminance (daylight + electric light) measured every 5 minutes at 7 workstations and stored for 3 weeks in october 2018**

**Objective :** Implement and test a measurement methodology of daylight in offices to assess lighting conditions. Establishing correlation with individual assessments.

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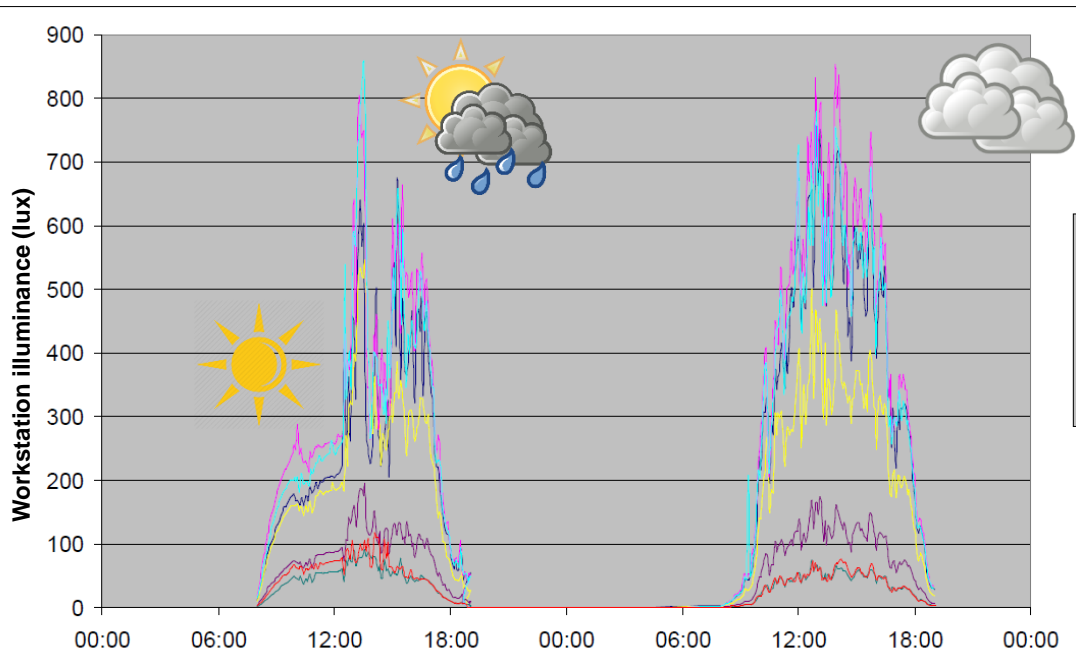
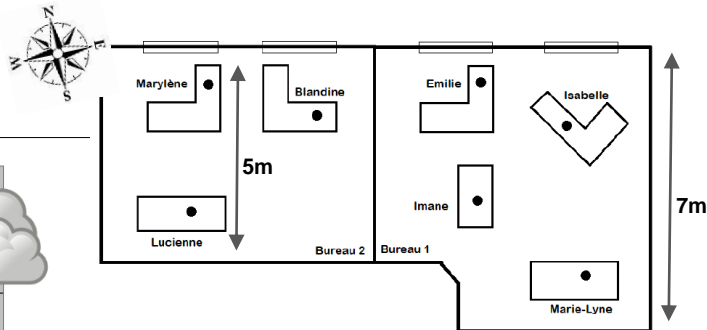
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	E median (day + elec)	E electric
Imane	165 lux	120 lux
Marie-Lyne	185 lux	82 lux
Isabelle	218 lux	27 lux
Emilie	319 lux	184 lux
Marylène	507 lux	337 lux
Blandine	-	330 lux
Lucienne	-	337 lux

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## DAYLIGHTING PERFORMANCE IN OFFICES WITHOUT OCCUPANTS DURING 2 DAYS



- Emilie
- Isabelle
- Imane
- Marie-Lyne
- Marylène
- Blandine
- Lucienne

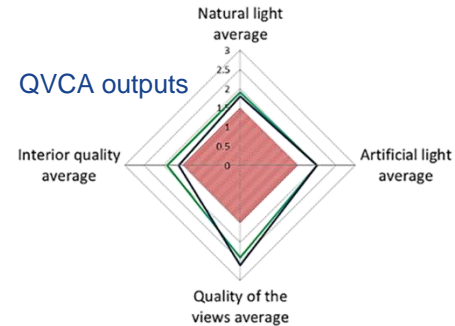
	E median 8am – 6pm	DA 300 lux 8am – 6pm
<b>Emilie</b>	<b>308 lux</b>	<b>50.4 %</b>
<b>Isabelle</b>	<b>238 lux</b>	<b>34.3 %</b>
<b>Imane</b>	<b>88 lux</b>	<b>0 %</b>
<b>Marie-Lyne</b>	<b>45 lux</b>	<b>0 %</b>
<b>Marylène</b>	<b>352 lux</b>	<b>57 %</b>
<b>Blandine</b>	<b>341 lux</b>	<b>54.1 %</b>
<b>Lucienne</b>	<b>48 lux</b>	<b>0 %</b>



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## CONCLUSIONS & PERSPECTIVES

- ✓ Quantitative assessment of lighting quality in two offices.
- ✓ Identification of lighting issues depending on the location of the workstations in the space.
- ✓ Quantitative results were compared with occupants assessments of their daylighting conditions obtained with a questionnaire (Saint Gobain QVCA)



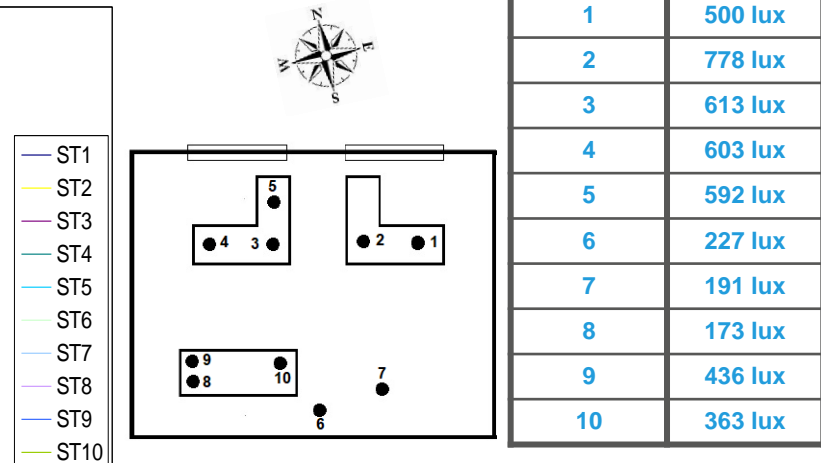
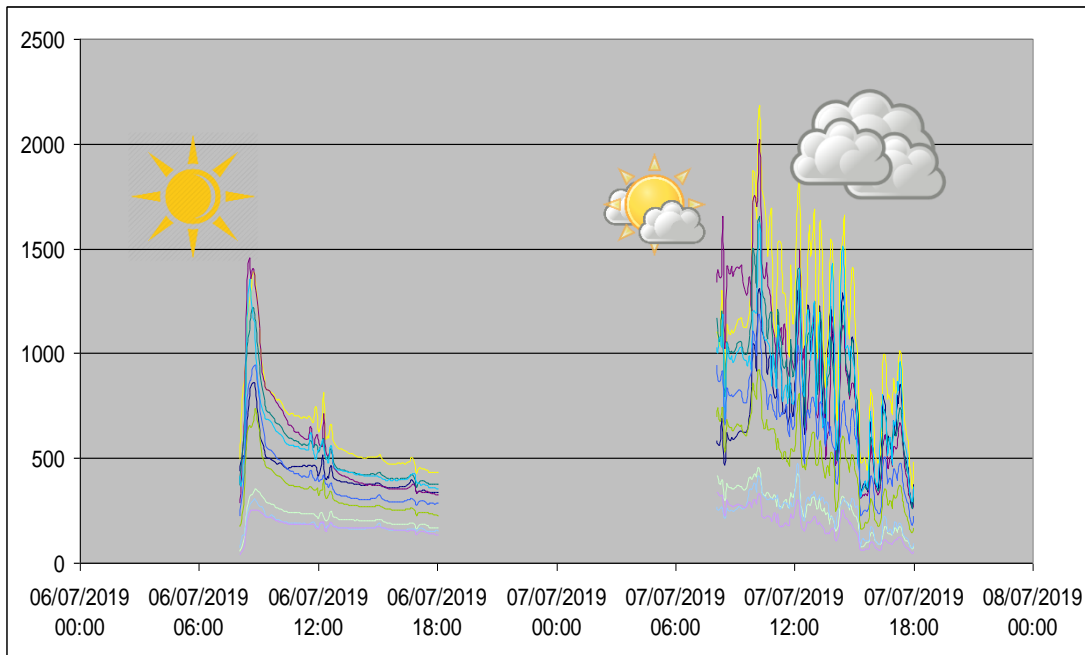
Occupant opinion	Blandine	Marylène	Lucienne	Emilie	Isabelle	Imane	Marie-Lyne
<b>Natural light (QVCA score on 3pts)</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>1,5</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>0,6</b>
Measured DA 300lux	54.1%	57%	0%	50.4%	34.3%	0%	0%

- How to assess EN17037 compliance with on-site measurements ?
- Complementary measurement needed to assess the lighting quality during summer time. A second measurement campaign has been performed in July.



# SECOND FIELD STUDY IN ROUEN (FRANCE) – JULY 2019

## MEASURING DAYLIGHT AUTONOMY DURING A WEEKEND



Sensors	E median
1	500 lux
2	778 lux
3	613 lux
4	603 lux
5	592 lux
6	227 lux
7	191 lux
8	173 lux
9	436 lux
10	363 lux

Level of recommendation for vertical and inclined daylight opening	Target illuminance $E_T$ lx	Fraction of space for target level $F_{plane, \%}$	Minimum target illuminance $E_{TM}$ lx	Fraction of space for minimum target level $F_{plane, \%}$	Fraction of daylight hours $F_{time, \%}$
Minimum	300	50 % / 70%	100	95 % / 100%	50 %
Medium	500	50 % / 50%	300	95 % / 70%	50 %
High	750	50 % / 10%	500	95 % / 50%	50 %

NOTE Table A.3 gives target daylight factor ( $D_T$ ) and minimum target daylight factor ( $D_{TM}$ ) corresponding to target illuminance level and minimum target illuminance, respectively, for the CEN capital cities.

How could we assess the annual EN 17037 performance using measurements ?

EN 17037 recommended performance thresholds



### Two interesting methodologies :

#### 1. A simple method to significantly lower daylight simulation time, J. Sullivan & M. Donn, 2016

For an annual daylight simulation, selecting :

- 10 random days per month leads to less than 6% error
- 5 random days per month leads to less than 10 % error
- 5 « representative » days per month leads to less than 5 % error

Could we apply this to measurements ?

#### 2. LEED EQ CREDIT: DAYLIGHT

Option 3. Measurement (2-3 points, 1-2 points Healthcare)

Achieve illuminance levels between 300 lux and 3,000 lux for the floor area indicated in Table 3.

Table 3. Points for daylight floor area: Measurement

New Construction, Core and Schools, Schools, Retail, Data Centers, Warehouses and Distribution Centers, Hospitality		Healthcare	
Percentage of regularly occupied floor area	Points	Percentage of perimeter floor area	
75	2	75	1
90	3	90	2

With furniture, fixtures, and equipment in place, measure illuminance levels as follows:

- Measure at appropriate work plane height during any hour between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.
- Take one measurement in any regularly occupied month, and take a second as indicated in Table 4.
- For spaces larger than 150 square feet (14 square meters), take measurements on a maximum 10 foot (3 meter) square grid.
- For spaces 150 square feet (14 square meters) or smaller, take measurements on a maximum 3 foot (900 millimeters) square grid.

Table 4. Timing of measurements for illuminance

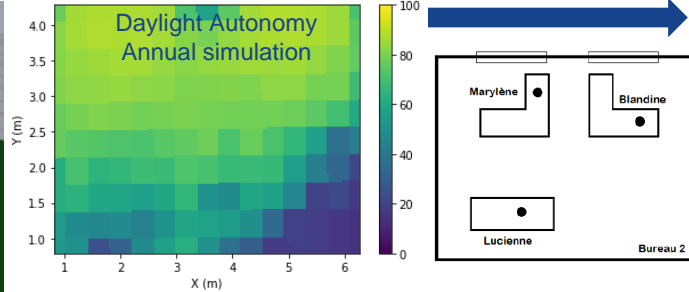
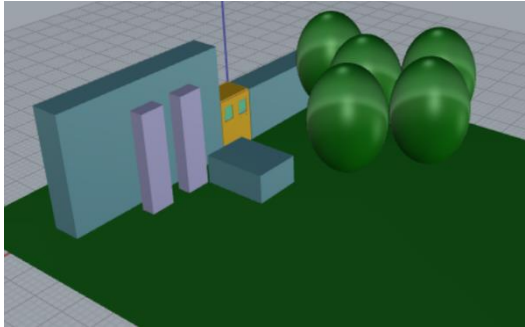
If first measurement is taken in ...	take second measurement in ...
January	May-September
February	June-October
March	June-July, November-December
April	August-December
May	September-January
June	October-February
July	November-March
August	December-April
September	December-January, May-June
October	February-June
November	March-July
December	April-August



# CASE-STUDY AT ROUEN (FRANCE)

## TOOLS TO ASSESS THE REQUIREMENTS IN THE NORM

### Using daylight simulations to define a protocol.

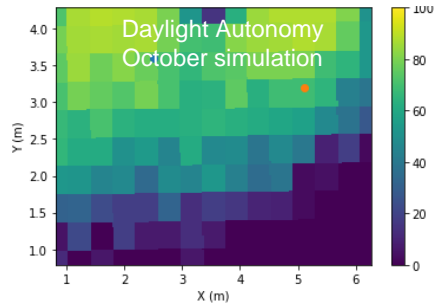


DA 300 lux year – simulation  
 DA 300 lux > 50% of the time for **74,75%** fraction of space  
 DA 100 lux > 50% of the time for **100%** fraction of space

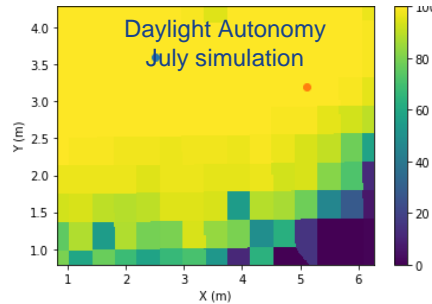
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### EN 17037 recommended performance thresholds



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 DA 100 lux > 50% of the time for 100 %



DA 300 lux > 50% of the time for 92,5%  
 DA 100 lux > 50% of the time for 100 %

Mean value

Average DA 300 lux year from Oct and Jul  
 DA 300 lux > 50% of the time for **72,6%** fraction of space (error 2%)  
 DA 100 lux > 50% of the time for **100%** fraction of space (error 0%)

Promising approach for measurement data processing ?

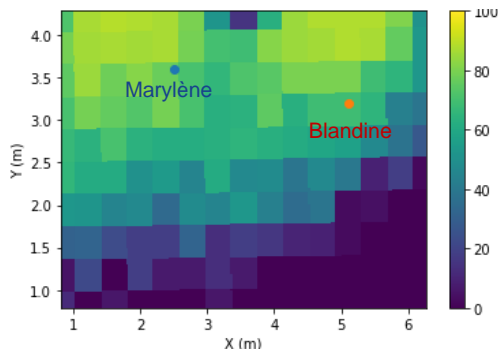
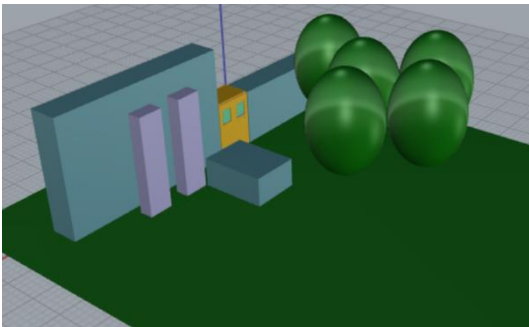
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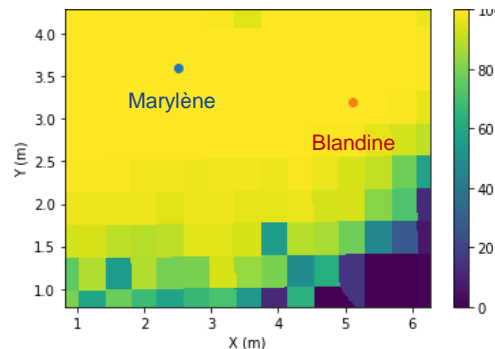
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## TOOLS TO ASSESS THE REQUIREMENTS IN THE NORM

Comparison of simulation with measurement results at two workstations.



DA 300 lux October – simulation  
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DA 300 lux July – simulation  
DA 300 lux > 50% of the time for 92,5%

	Measure	Simulation
	DA 300 lux (2 days)	DA 300 lux (1 month)
Blandine July	99.6 %	100%
Marylène July	99.6 %	100%
Blandine October	54.4 %	69%
Marylène October	57.3 %	77%

- **Simulation > Measurement (obstacles, occupants, furnitures, room materials...)**
- **Applying the protocol defined on simulation with measurements seems promising to approach the closest assessment of daylight by mapping the room with sensors**

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# CONCLUSION & PERSPECTIVES

## Results:

- The **wireless** set-up of an on-site lighting field study takes **less than an hour** with the MCLuxBox.
- Daylight autonomy of a space can be measured during a selected period.
- Assessment of the compliance with EN17037 over a selected period of time is possible using the measurement set-up.

## Questions raised:

- Is it possible to extrapolate the assessment over selected periods of time to an annual performance?
- What is the optimum measurement duration to increase the accuracy of the extrapolation ?

## Perspectives:

- Next steps will be to test a protocol to approximate annual metrics from repeated daily measurements over a longer period.
- Could we imagine a **measurement methodology**, an “option 3”, to assess daylight quantity performance in EN 17037 ?

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION





# BACK UP

# QUICK VISUAL COMFORT ASSESSMENT (QVCA)

## FOCUSED ON THE OCCUPANT'S PERCEPTION



Tool for a global assessment of visual comfort in offices

Focused on human perception



Approx. 40 measurements and questions



Meant for both occupants and experts

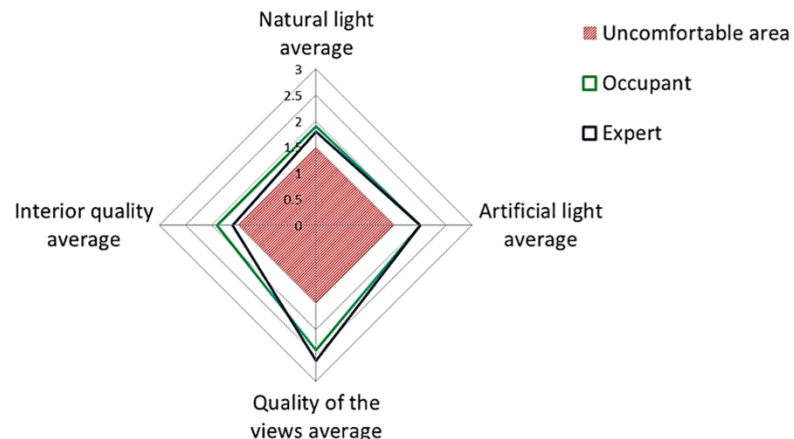


Expert : 15 minutes  
Occupant : 5-10 minutes

It takes into account **all the dimensions** of visual comfort:

- Artificial lighting
- Natural light
- Views

Summary	Expert	Occupant
Natural light	1,6	1,5
Artificial light	1,5	1,4
View	1,4	1,8
Office quality	1,9	1,6



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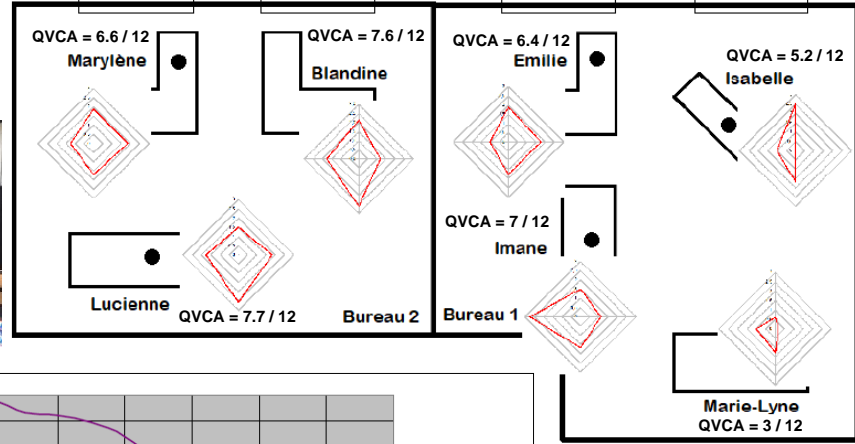
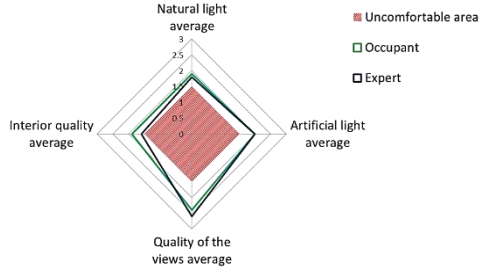


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**QUICK VISUAL COMFORT ASSESSMENT (QVCA)**  
A lighting quality questionnaire developed by SGR



Daylight + electric light

