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A model chain to simulate daylight in historic built environments

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New technologies, new theories? Reflections on the perception and simulation of building environments and architecture.

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Incomplete evidence and lost context



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Chain of modelling tasks in daylight simulation



Architectural reconstruction: Hagia Sophia

Andreas Noback et al. "Hagia Sophia's sixth century daylighing". In: Proceedings of the International Hagia Sophia Symposium. Ed. by Hasan Fırat Diker et al. 2020, pp. 687-706 Slide 4/14, September 8, 2021

Occlusion of windows

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Architectural reconstruction: Hagia Sophia

Liturgical furnishing based on text, similar designs and practical considerations

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Reconstruction by H. Svenshon, see: Rudolf H. W. Stichel. "Die Hagia Sophia Justinians, ihre liturgische Einrichtung und der zeremonielle Auftritt der frühbyzantinischen Kaisers". In: *Byzanz - Das Römerreich im Mittelalter*. Ed. by Falko Daim et al. Vol. 2,1 Schauplätze. 2010, pp. 25–57

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Material properties: Modelling scattering by glass Direct measurement of light scattering

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Lars O. Grobe et al. "Daylight scattering by late antique window glass from Ephesus -Reconstructing the distribution of daylight in lost architecture". In: Proceedings CHNT24. 2021, pp. 317-334 Slide 6/14, September 8, 2021

Material properties: Geometry of window glass Surface and volume

Contocal microsocopy Surface micro-structure 0. 0µm 0. 0µm 250. 0 500. 0

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Material properties: Inclusions in window glass Results of computer tomography



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Environment: Ideal CIE sky models

Edge cases - applied to a residential building in Ostia



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Environment: Climate-, image-based sky models

Representativity and realism



Right: HDR acquisition from Axel Jacobs et al. *Per-pixel sky luminance with HDR photography*. International Radiance Workshop. 2008. HDR image from Mehlika Inanici. "Evaluation of high dynamic range image-based sky models in lighting simulation". In: *Leukos* 7 (2 2010), pp. 69–84.

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Visual perception: Arrephorion, Athens Reconstructed outward view, sunny sky, 21st Dec noon

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Image regions with $L \ge 2000 \text{ cd m}^{-2}$.



Halo-like effects by scattering in the eye.

Reconstruction based on: Helge Olaf Svenshon. "Studien zum hexastylen Prostylos archaischer und klassischer Zeit". PhD thesis. TU Darmstadt, 2002 Slide 11/14, September 8, 2021

Visual perception

Effects of contrast on colour perception and haze, Sunrise at Christmas morning

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Conclusions and outlook

Models as interfaces of associated research fields



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Ongoing and further research

- φῶς 4D Affordance-based evaluation of daylight in antique residential buildings.
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 TU Darmstadt / Uni Leipzig / HSLU Lucerne
- Measuring and modeling light scattering by Roman window glass Supported by the Fritz Thyssen Stiftung (2018). TU Darmstadt / HSLU Lucerne
- LUCI Lucerne Computed tomography imaging.
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- Gonio-photometry Lab Light scattering measurements.
 HSLU Lucerne
- New light from Pompeii Early imperial lighting devices in bronze from the Vesuvian cities (2021-2023).

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