

# Predicting Solar Irradiance Data Using Machine Learning

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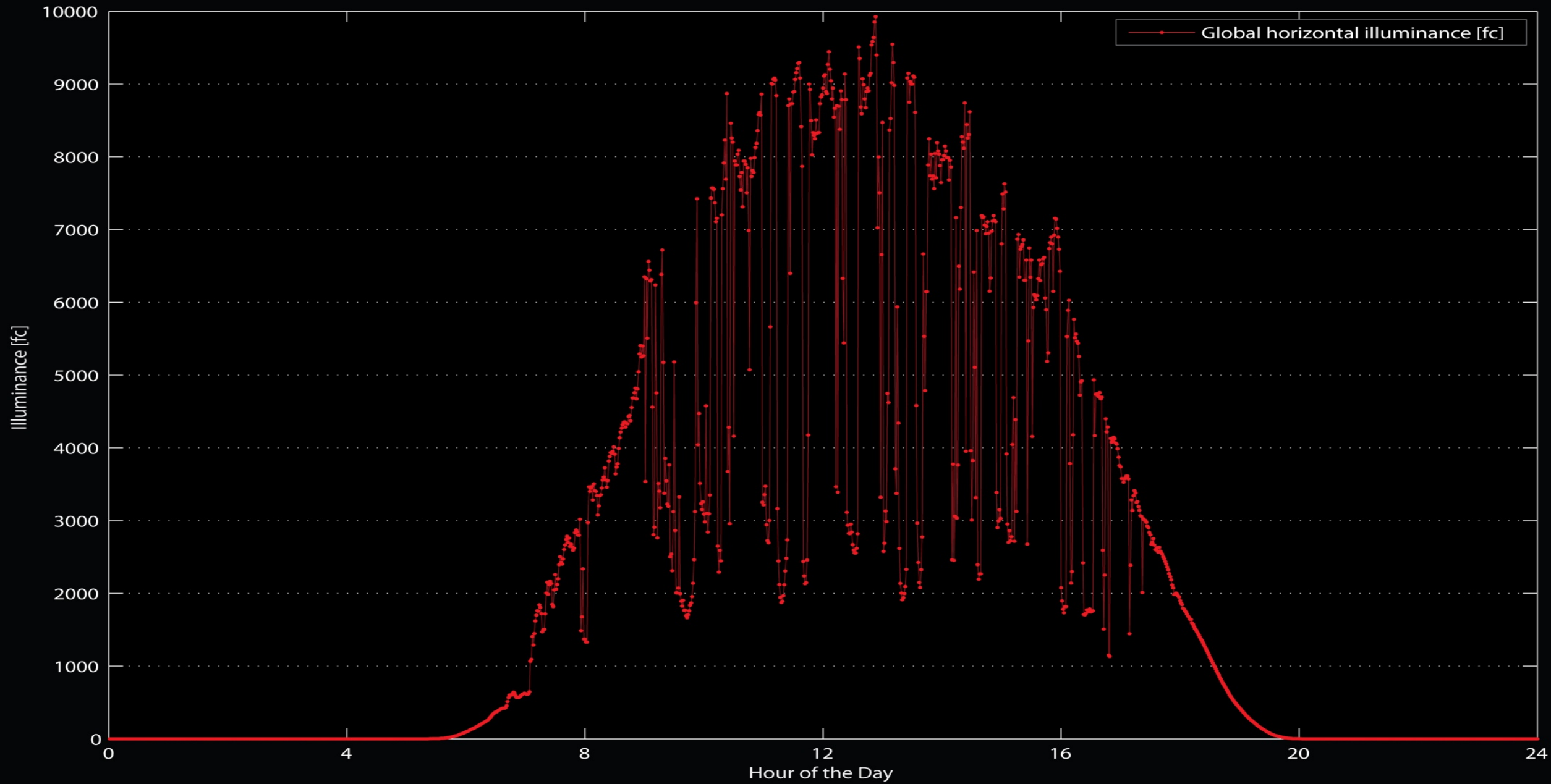




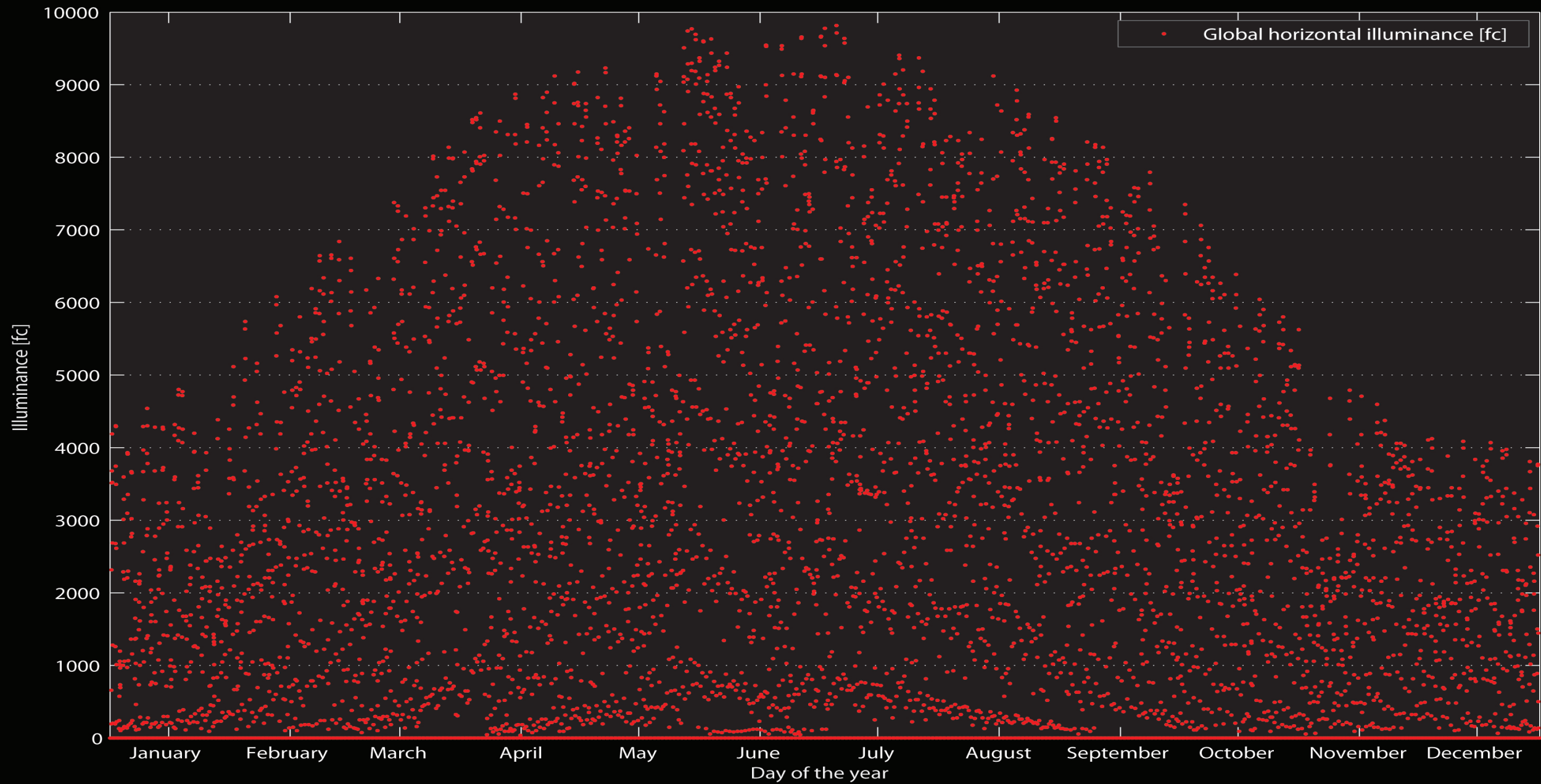








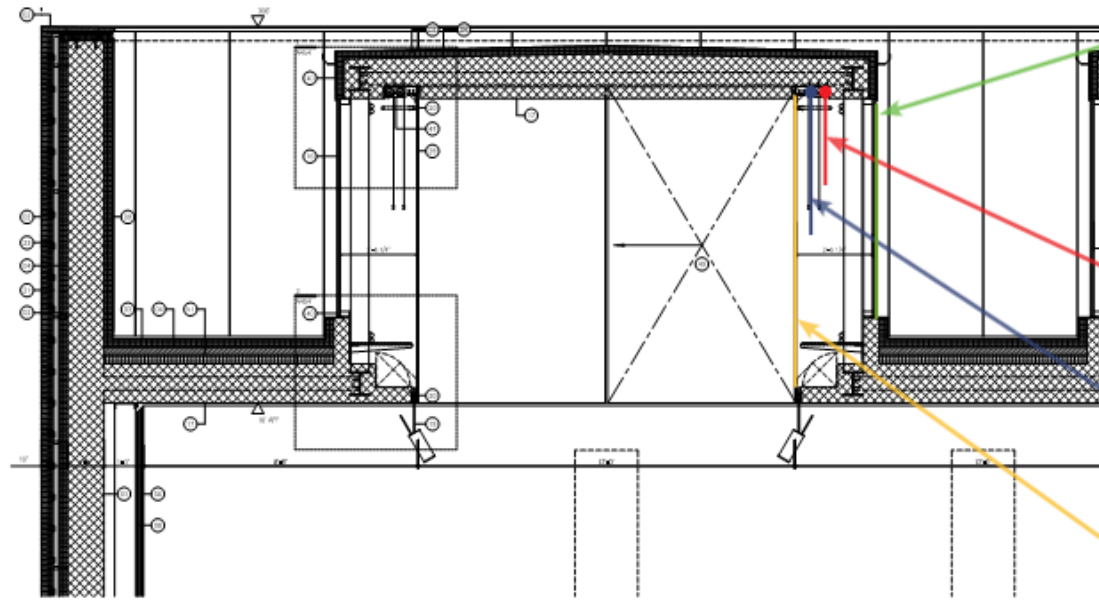
One Day



One Year



## Roof Monitor Layers:



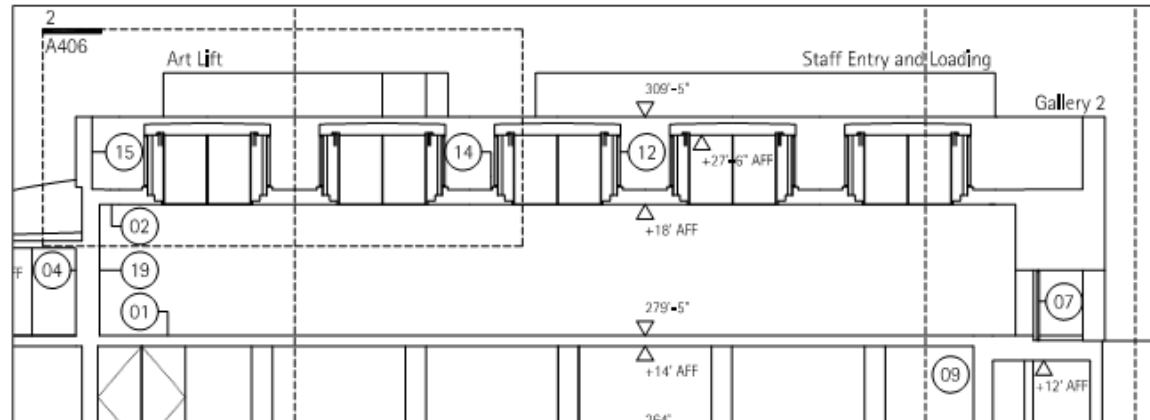
Section Detail - Gallery 2

Low iron insulated glazing unit with laminated diffusing inner lite to provide ultra violet filter. Low iron glass is used to maximise colour rendering. Low-e coatings are as neutral in color terms as possible to maintain color rendering of the skylight glass unit of 97 or above. The laminated inner layer will be diffusing to mitigate direct sunlight penetration.

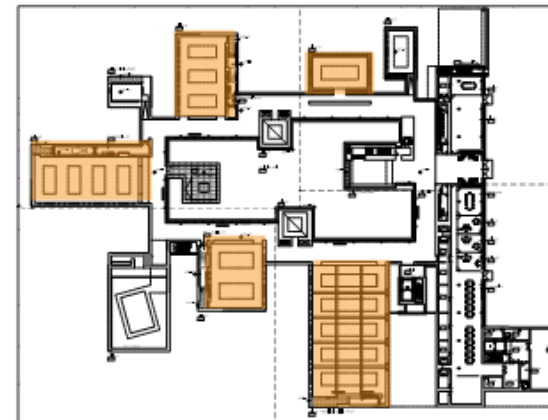
Motorised blackout roller shade to reduce daylight exposure outside museum open hours and allow for flexibility in the allowance of daylight into the gallery. The blackout shade should be provided with side-channels to eliminate light spill around the edges of the shade.

Motorised dimout roller shade to allow for reduction of light levels passing through the skylight system. The shade shall be an open-weave materials with 5% openness and a 10% to 15% visible light transmission, to be determined.

Interior diffusing glass to further diffuse directionality of light and obscure view of structure, roller shades and lighting. This shall be laminated with a diffusing interlayer, and be operable to allow easy access for maintenance. The interior glazing will have an acid-etch finish to reduce interior specular reflections.



Section - Gallery 2



Keyplan

## 3.6 Galleries 2, 4, 6, 8, and 10

### 3.6.1 Approach

Galleries 2, 4, 6, 8, and 10 will have similar daylight system designs, consisting of a roof monitor system. Refer to the architectural plans for the arrangement and dimensions of roof monitors in each gallery.

It is expected that Gallery 2 will generally be used to display parts of the permanent collection – typically a mixture of oil paintings, photographs, sculpture.

It is also recognized that Gallery 2 would at times be used for mixed media collections, which means that some works on paper may be displayed along with oil paintings and sculpture. Blackout, if required, is proposed to be provided by the deployment of roller shades in the roof monitors.

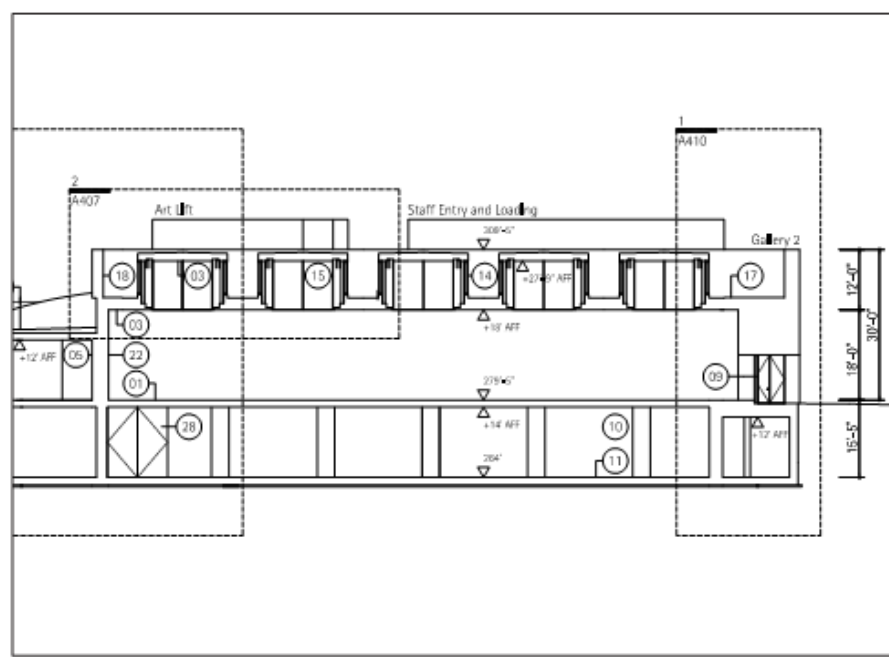
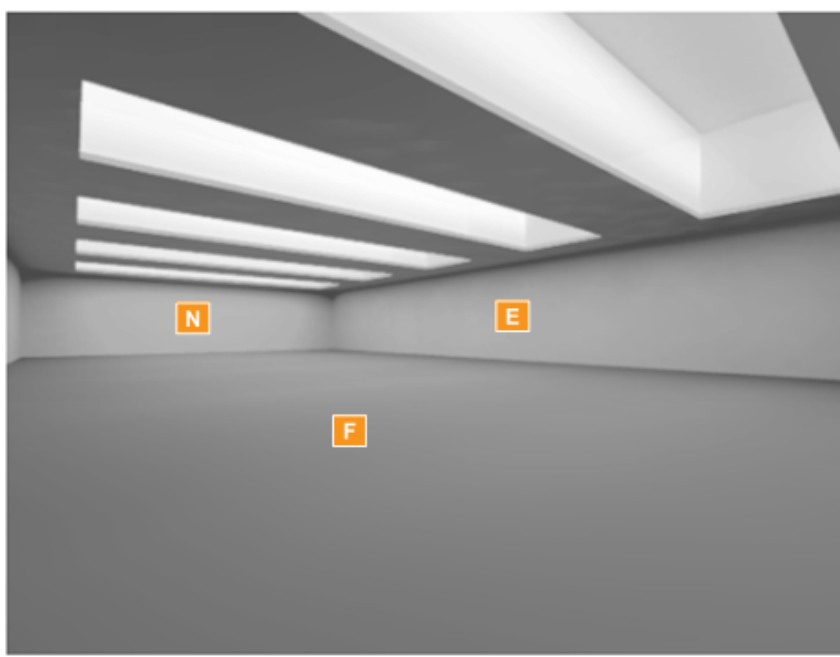
Galleries 4, 6, 8, and 10 will be used for more permanent exhibitions. It is understood that upon completion of construction Galleries 4 and 6 will exclude daylight due to the nature of their exhibits, however provisions for daylighting will be included in the design.

### 3.6.2 Proposed daylight system

The ceiling consists of a roof monitor system which introduces generous but controlled daylight into the gallery below. The images to the left illustrate the proposed system, which consists of a number of layers:

- Exterior vertical diffusing glass, running in the east-west direction
- Interior motorized blackout shade
- Interior motorized roller shade
- Interior diffusing Glass

These sets of layers will occur on both the north and south sides of the roof monitor. By allowing sunlight to be diffused through the layers of the southern glazing, and northern skylight to be transmitted and diffused through the north-facing glazing, the lighting conditions in the gallery will vary through out the day as sun position and weather patterns change.

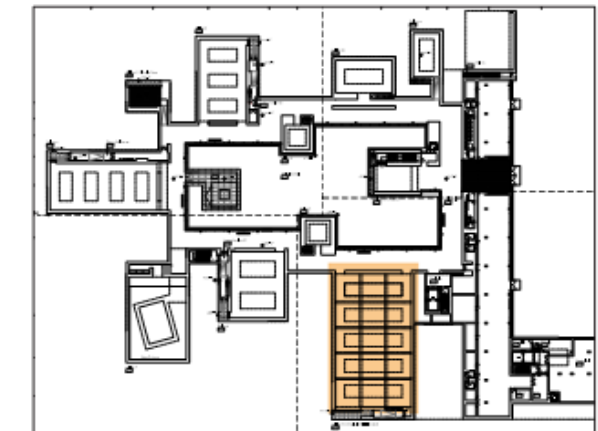
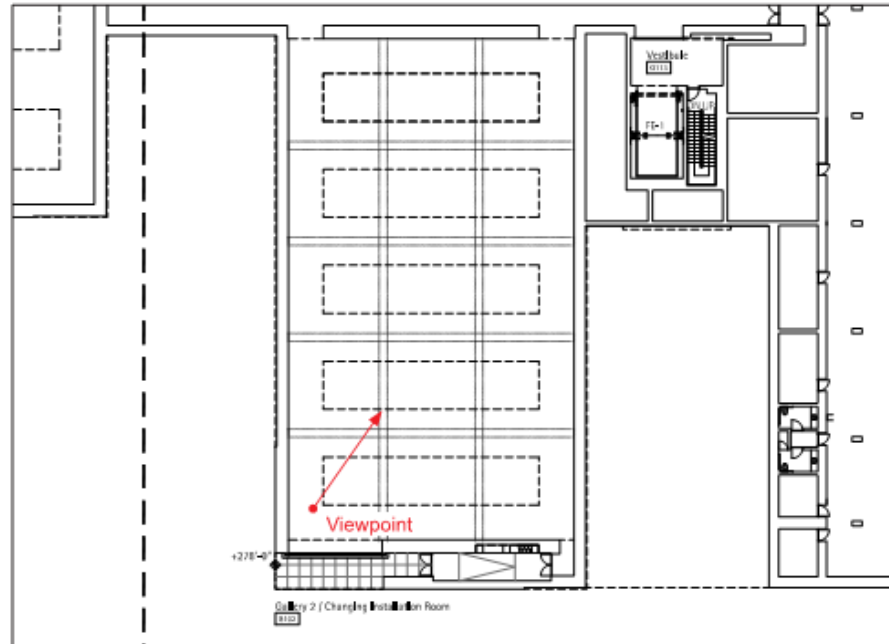
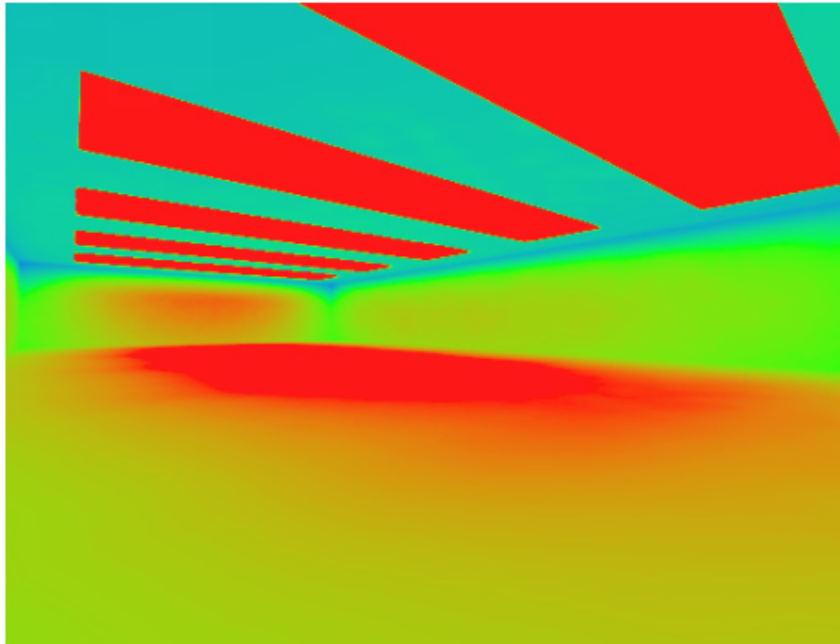


#### 4.4 Gallery 2

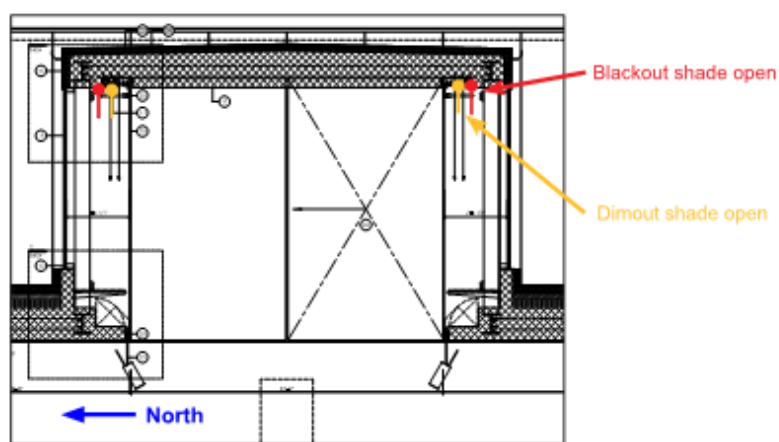
- Outer Glazing Transmittance: 53%
- Inner Glazing Transmittance: 64%
- Wall Reflectance: 75%
- Concrete Reflectance: 70%
- Floor Reflectance: 50%
- Calculation Time: 12:00 p.m. on date indicated
- Measurement points are at location indicated in images. Unless otherwise indicated images shown are for March 31, overcast conditions.

Day	Weather	N (fc)	E (fc)	S (fc)	W (fc)	F (fc)
Mar 21	Overcast	114	93	106	94	143
	Sunny	351	257	220	262	388
Jun 21	Overcast	119	100	116	101	153
	Sunny	266	200	215	203	298
Dec 21	Overcast	72	59	65	59	91
	Sunny	149	119	92	118	186

*N, E, S, W, measurement points are on North, East, South, and West walls respectively; F measurement point is horizontal illuminance on floor. S and W points are not pictured.*



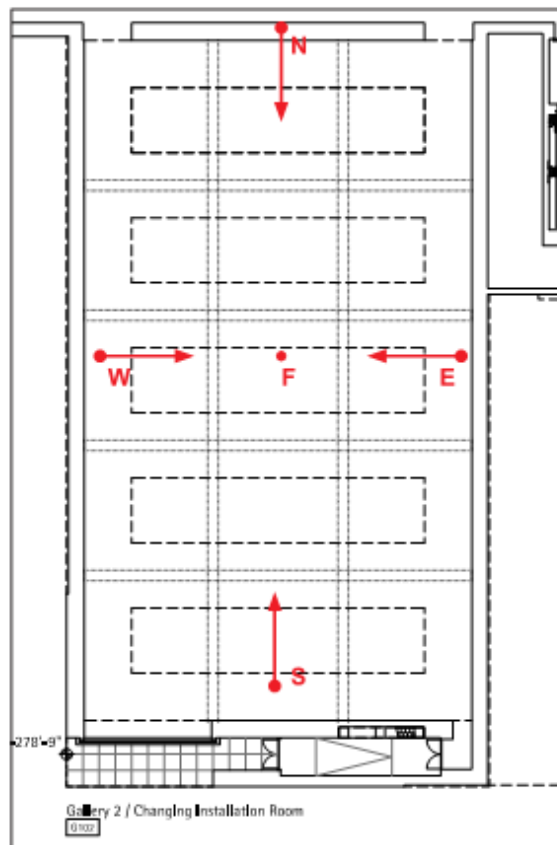
Keyplan



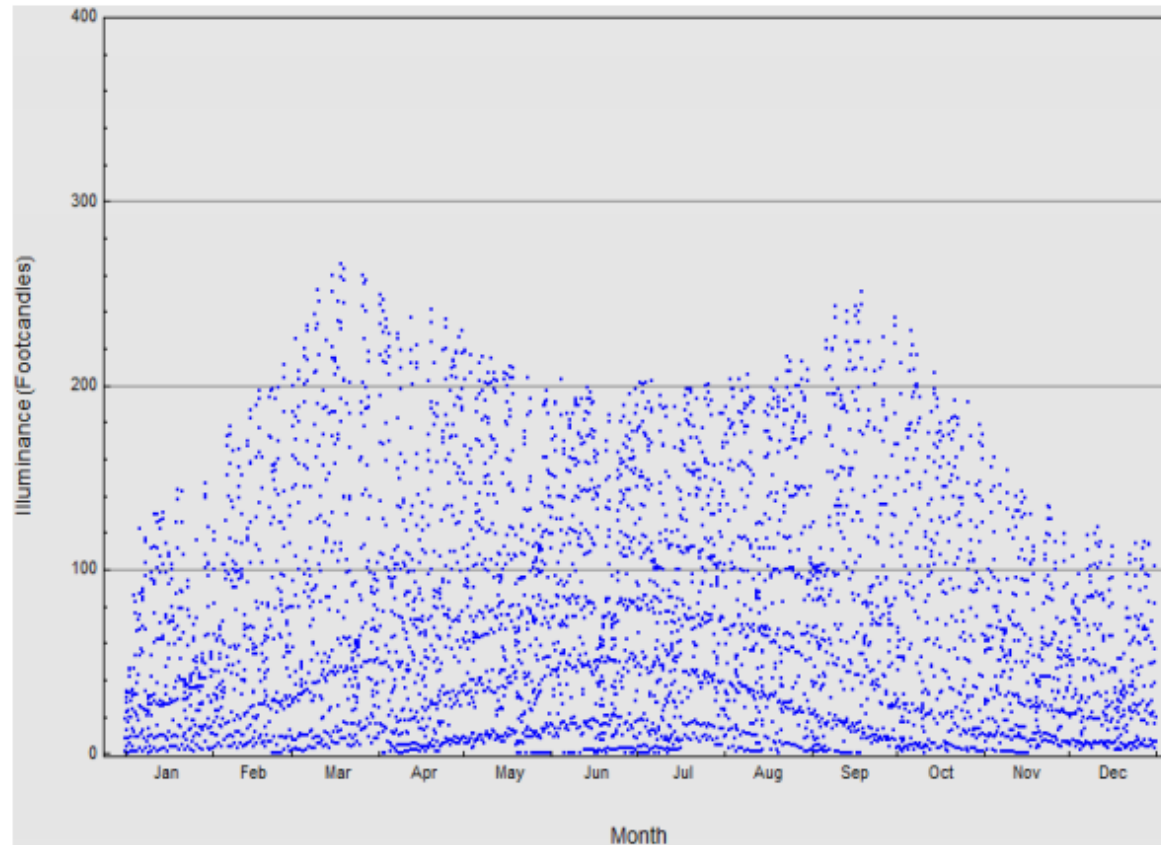
Gallery 2 - Roof Monitor Section

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	North (k-fc-hr)	East (k-fc-hr)	South (k-fc-hr)	West (k-fc-hr)	Floor (k-fc-hr)
Annual Cumulative Exposure	457	350	362	353	524

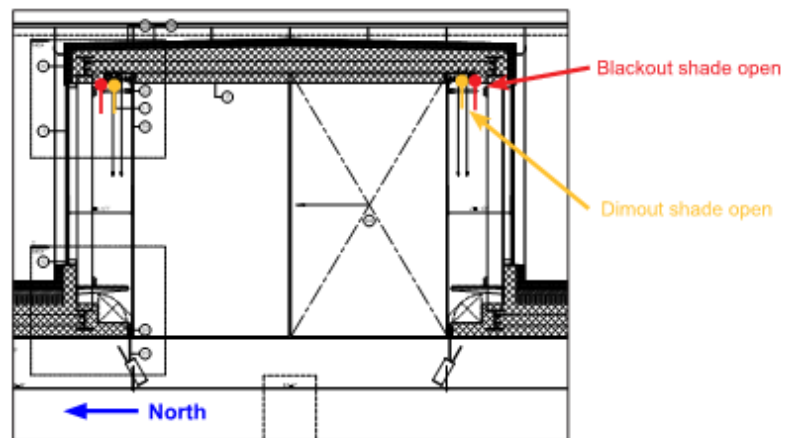


Gallery 2 - Plan



Annual Illuminance Profile on East Wall at Point E

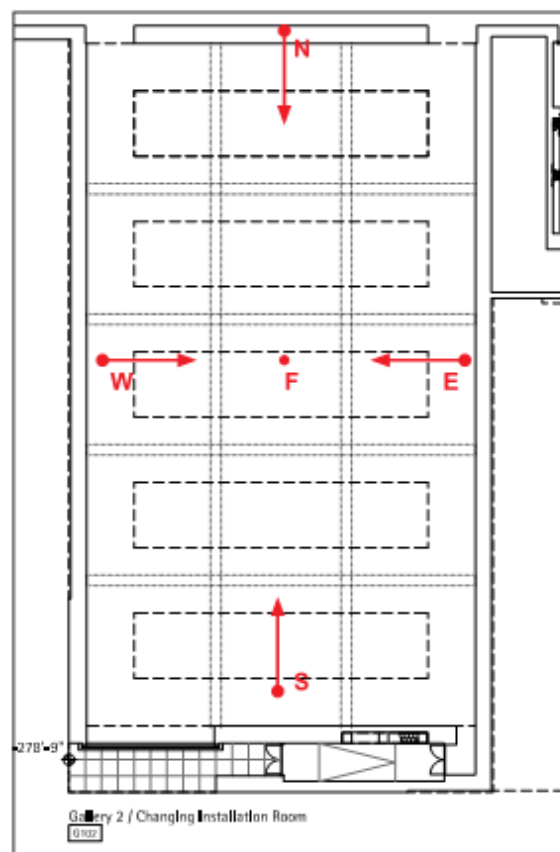




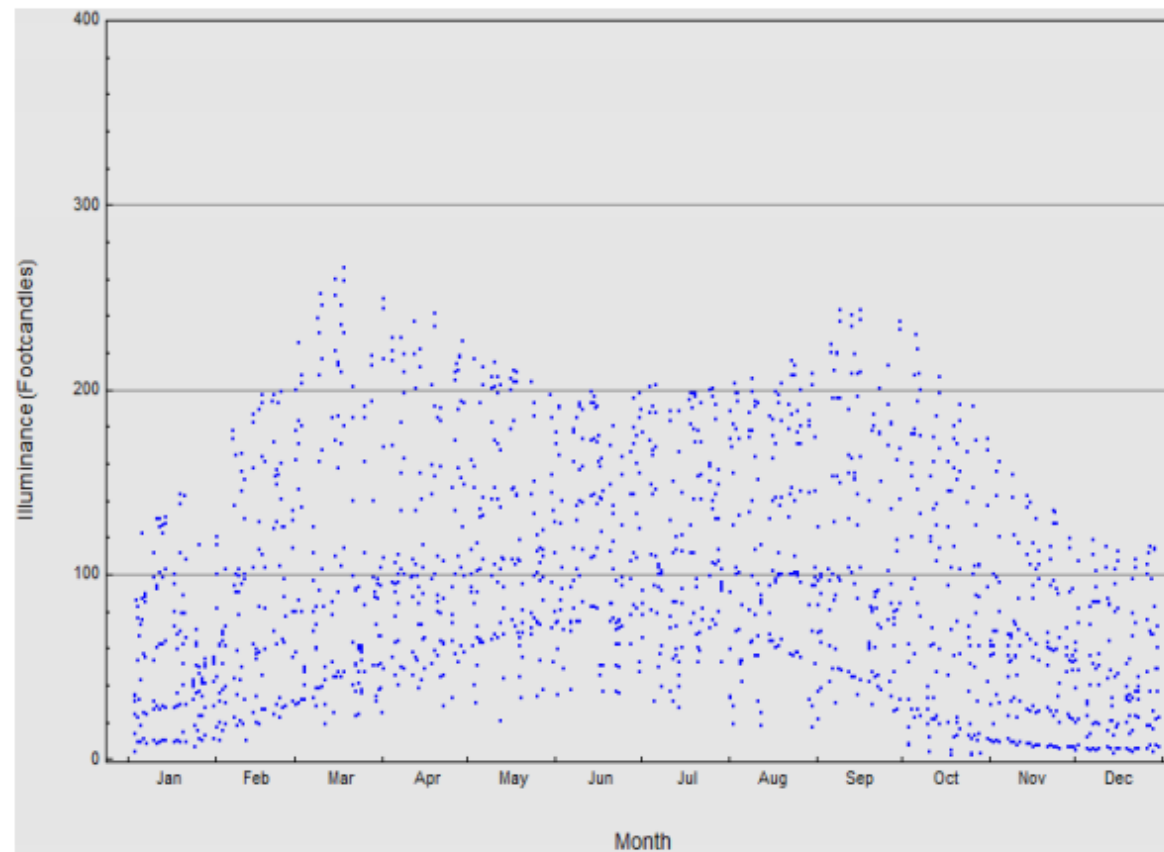
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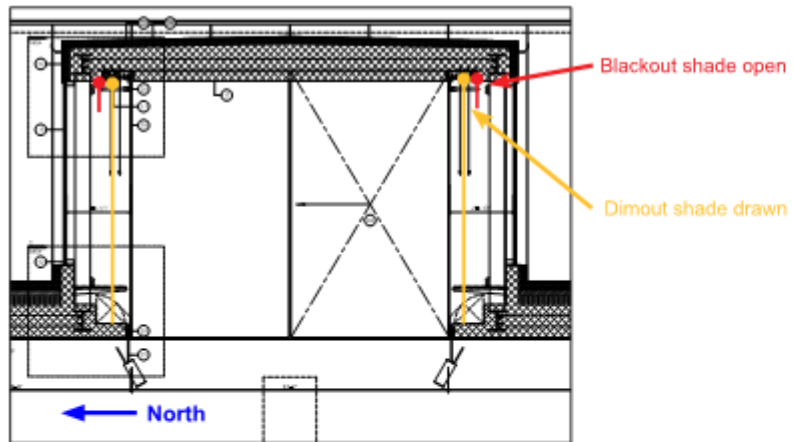
	North (k-fc-hr)	East (k-fc-hr)	South (k-fc-hr)	West (k-fc-hr)	Floor (k-fc-hr)
Annual Cumulative Exposure	199	152	156	154	227



Gallery 2 - Plan



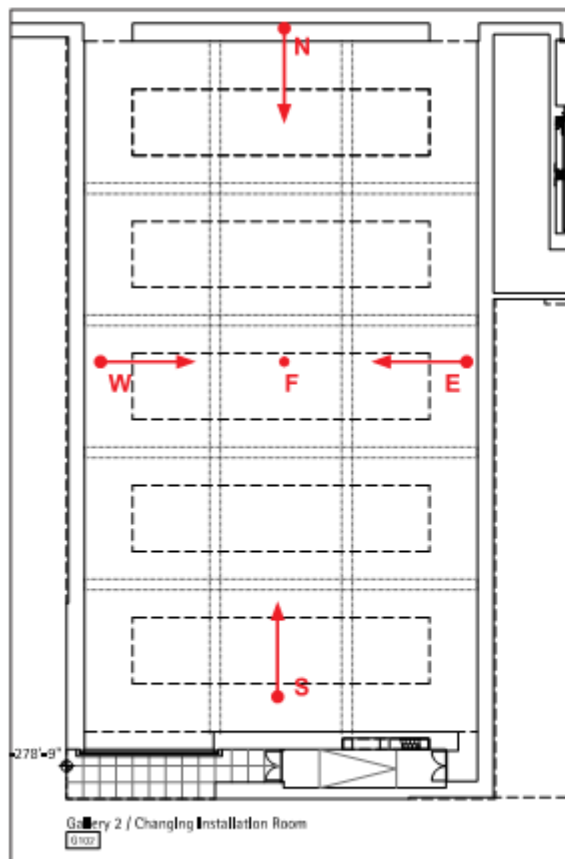
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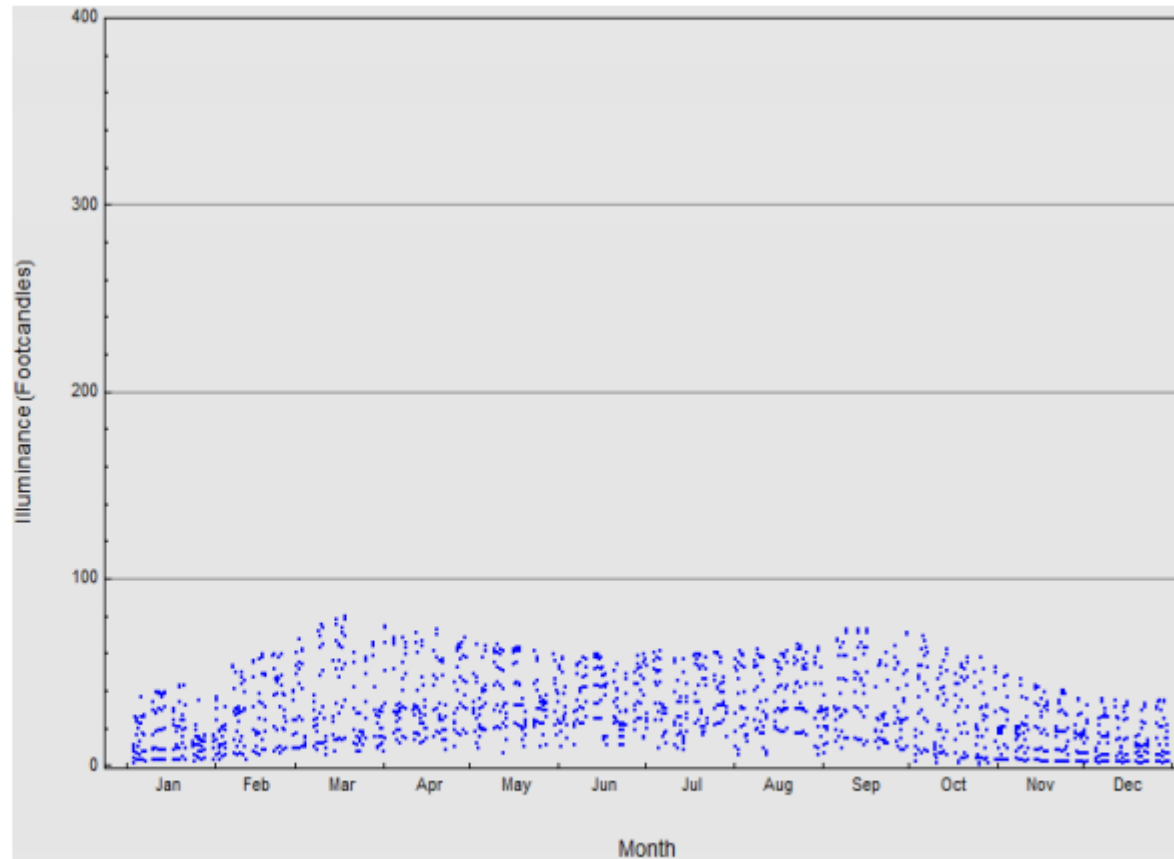
Gallery 2 - Roof Monitor Section

Day	Weather	North (fc)	East (fc)	South (fc)	West (fc)	Floor (fc)
Mar 21, 12:00 p.m.	Overcast	33	27	31	28	42
	Sunny	123	79	66	79	116

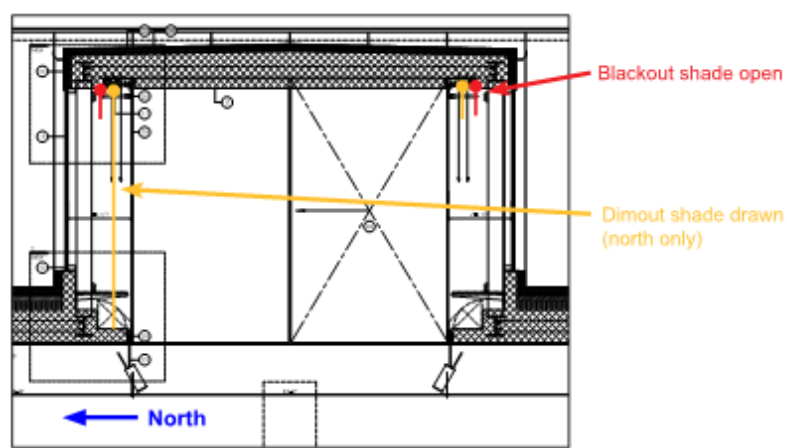
	North (k-fc-hr)	East (k-fc-hr)	South (k-fc-hr)	West (k-fc-hr)	Floor (k-fc-hr)
Annual Cumulative Exposure	59	46	47	46	68



Gallery 2 - Plan



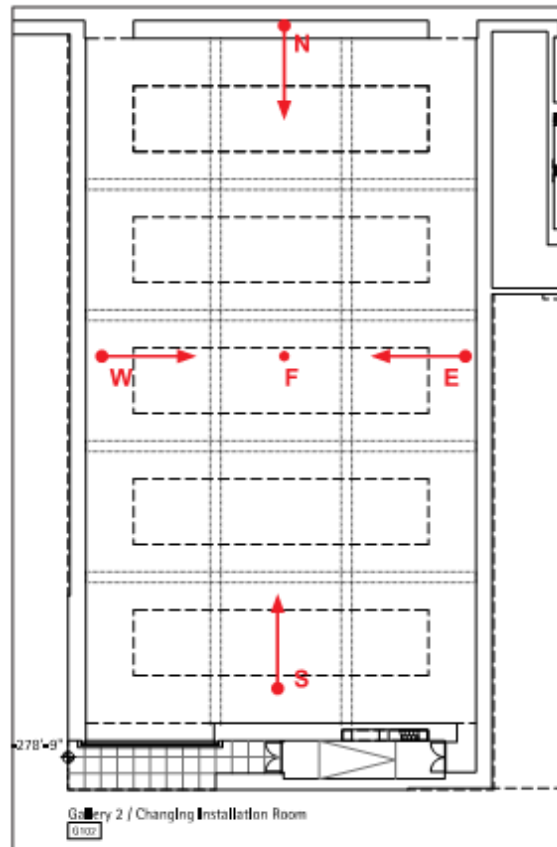
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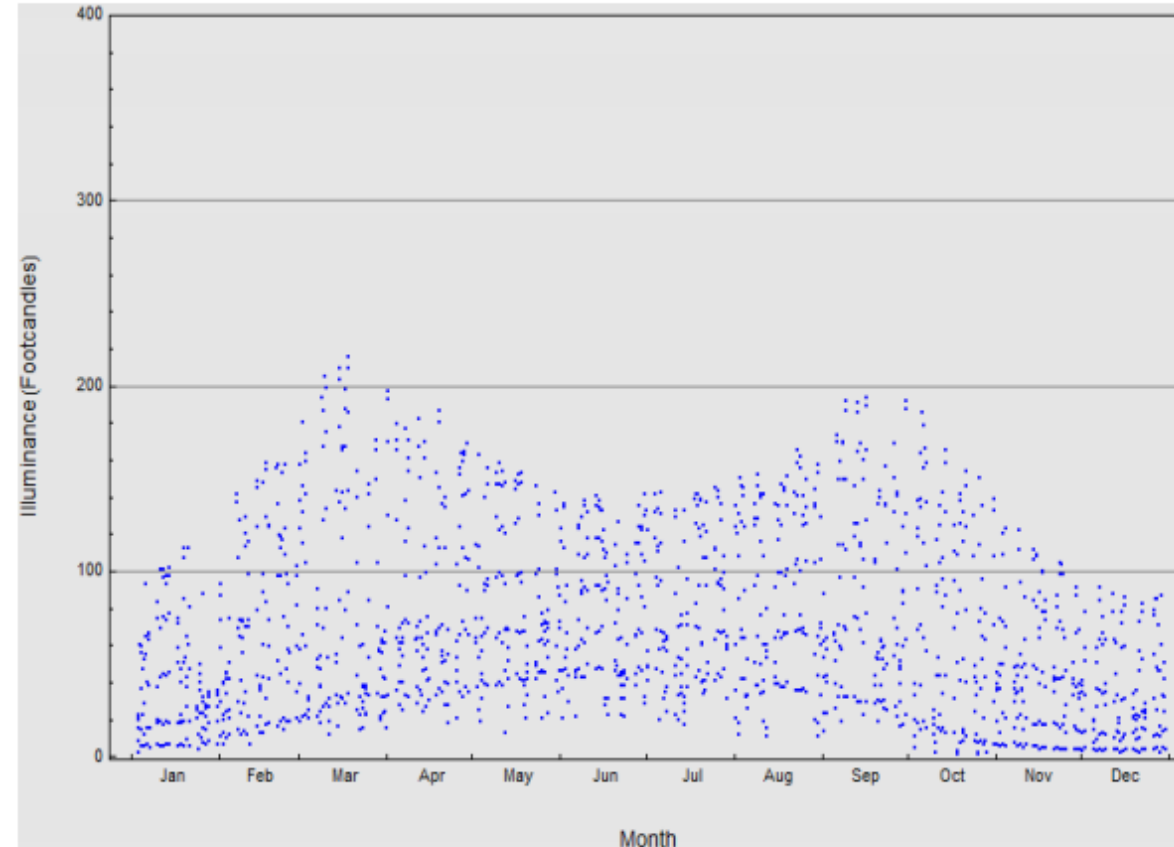
Gallery 2 - Roof Monitor Section

Day	Weather	North (fc)	East (fc)	South (fc)	West (fc)	Floor (fc)
Mar 21, 12:00 p.m.	Overcast	90	60	50	61	91
	Sunny	345	212	138	214	293

	North (k-fc-hr)	East (k-fc-hr)	South (k-fc-hr)	West (k-fc-hr)	Floor (k-fc-hr)
Annual Cumulative Exposure	169	108	81	109	163



Gallery 2 - Plan



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Computer Simulation - Gallery 2 - Greyscale

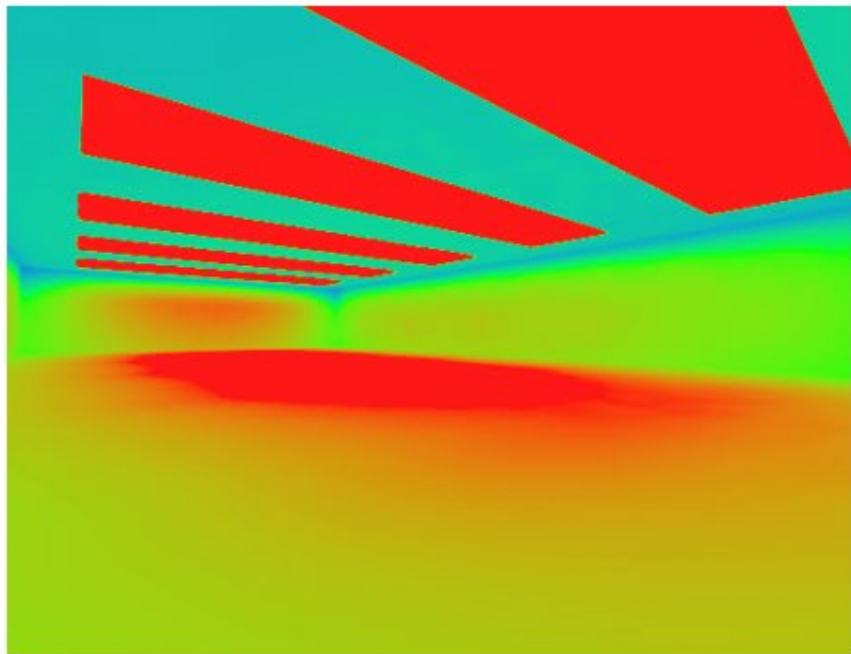


Photo - Gallery 2 Model

## 2.3 Illuminance Distribution

The images on this page show comparisons between the computer model daylight distribution simulation, both in greyscale and falsecolor luminance.

The luminance distribution images show reasonable uniformity as well as agreement with the computer simulated distribution. Note that the slight dropoff in the center of wall on the right side of the image is due to the model construction, which consists of a mirror to replicate the appearance of two additional clerestories.



Computer Simulation - Gallery 2 - Falsecolor

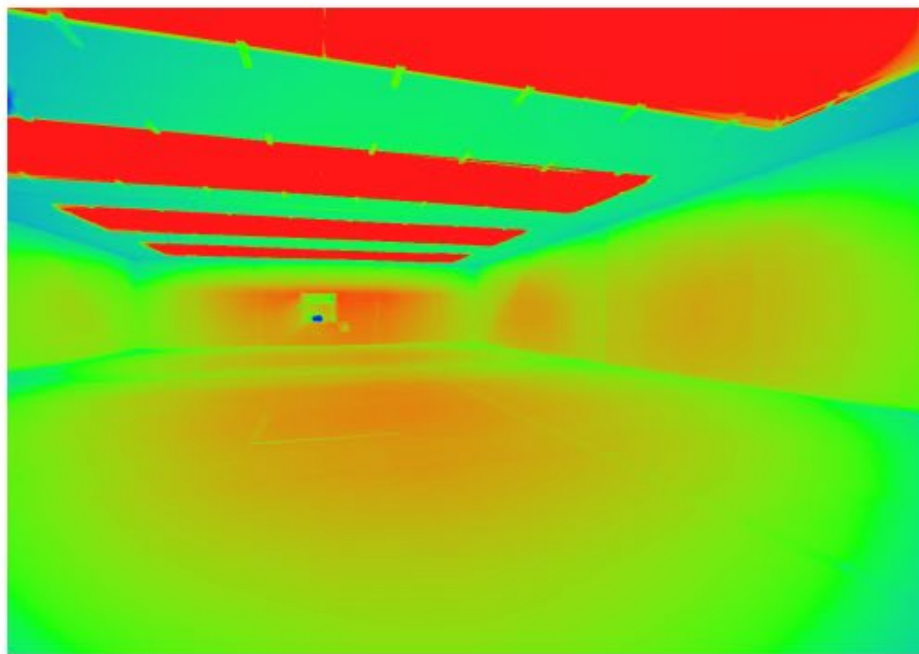
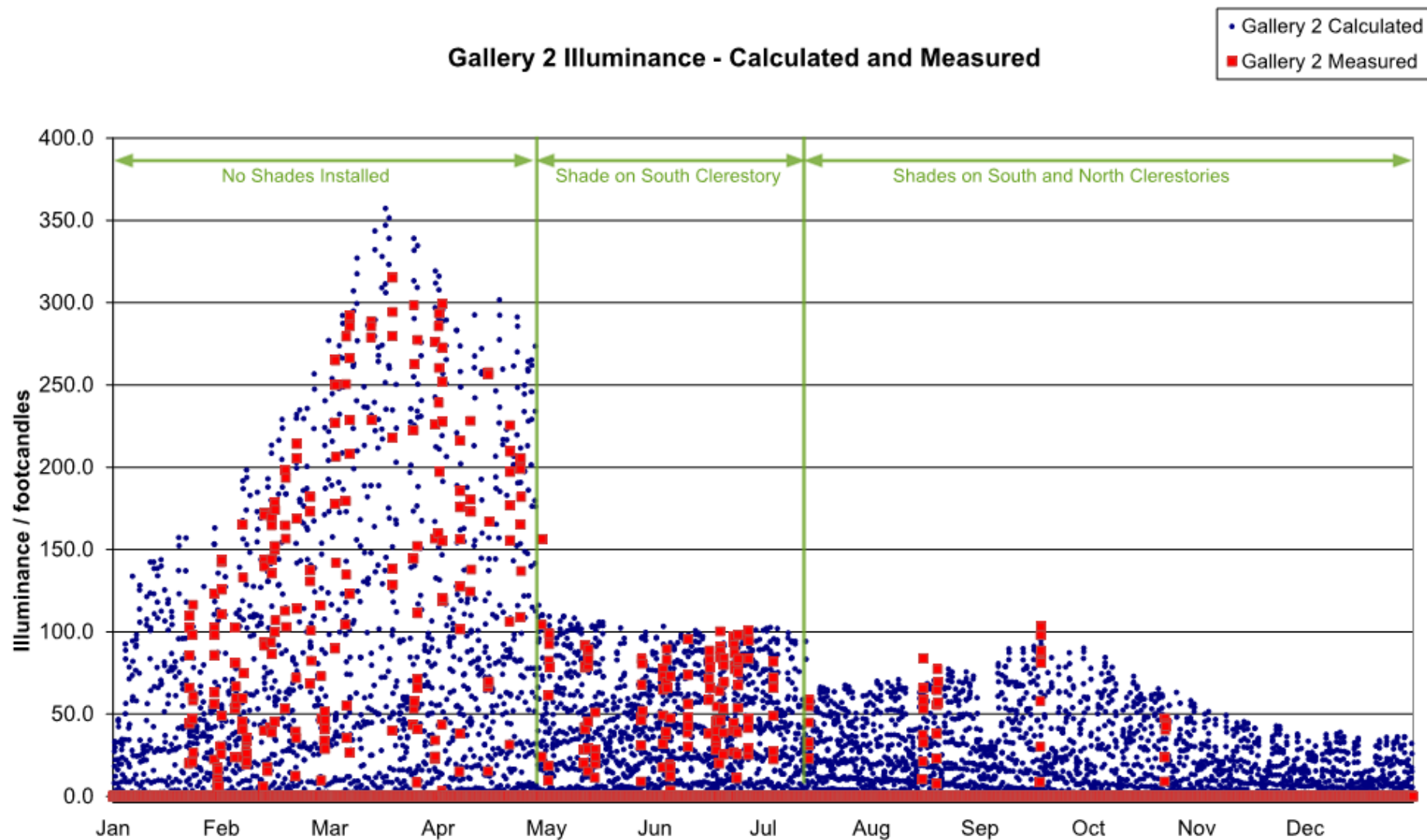


Photo - Gallery 2 Model - Falsecolor





## 2 Gallery 2

### 2.1 Illuminance Levels - Annual

The scatter plot on the left side of this page shows a comparison between the hourly illuminance data calculated for the north wall of Gallery 2 for each hour of the year based on typical weather data from the November 15, 2012 daylighting report (blue dots), overlayed with hourly data measured from the Gallery 2 model on days that measurements were possible (red squares).

Indicated on the scatter plot are the times that the three different shade configurations were installed in the model.

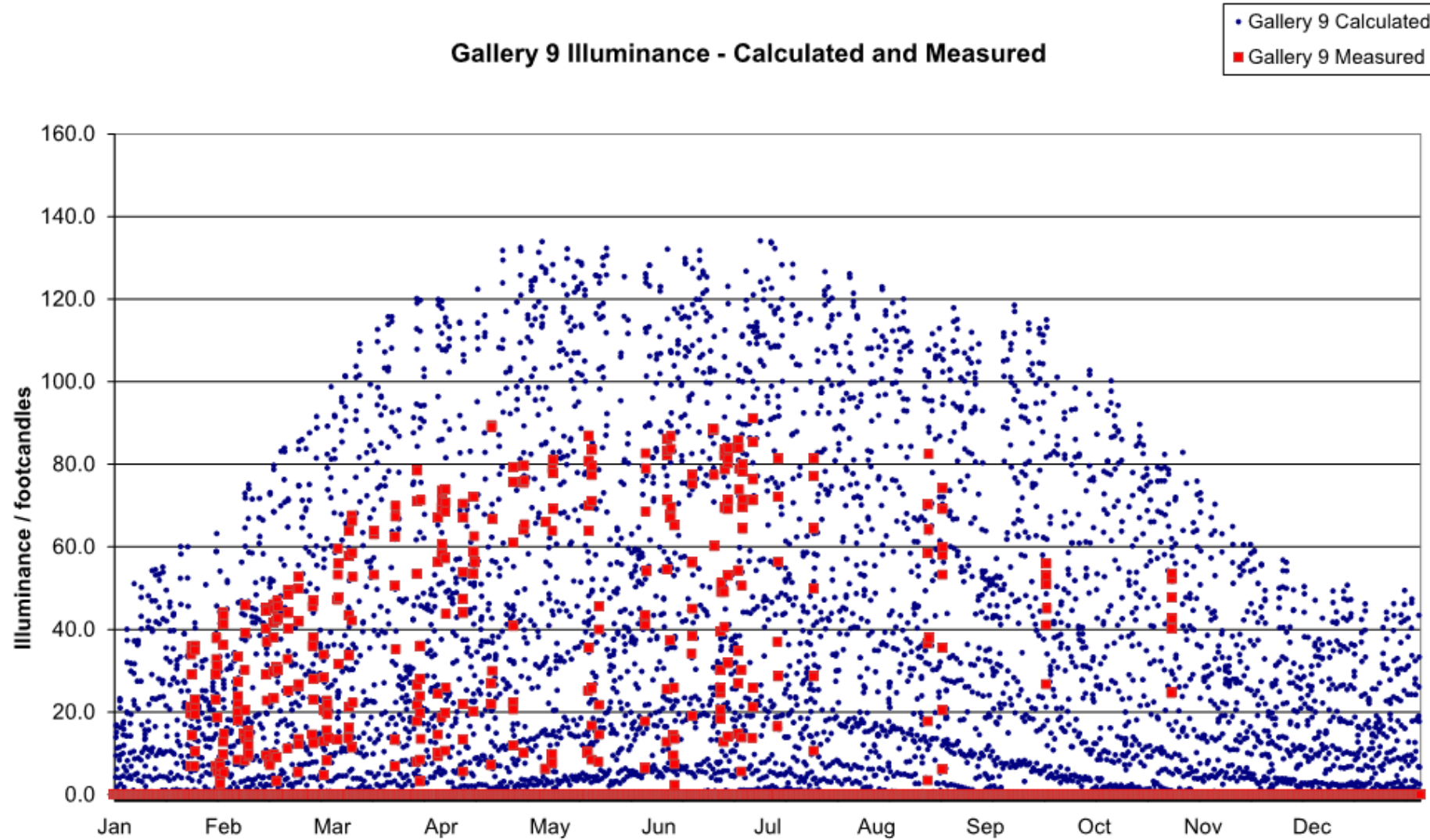
- No shades from January to April 30.
- Shades on only the south clerestory from May 1 to July 14.
- Shades on both the north and south clerestories for the remainder of the year.

The shade material used in the model was the shade material currently specified, Mermat Screen Vision:

- 10% openness
- 29% visible light transmittance
- white color

The general trend of the data indicates fairly close correlation between the computer model and the measured illuminance, with illuminance peaks at similar levels.





### 3 Gallery 9

#### 3.1 Illuminance Levels - Annual

The scatter plot on the left side of this pages shows a comparison between the hourly illuminance data calculated for the west wall of Gallery 9 for each hour of the year based on typical weather data from the November 15, 2012 daylighting report (blue dots), overlayed with hourly data measured from the Gallery 9 model on days that measurements was possible (red squares).

The general trend of the data indicates fairly close correlation between the computer model and measurements in relative terms, however it can be seen from scatter plot that the gallery 9 measurements are in the range of 30% lower than predicted.

There are several factors that may be contributing to the difference between the calculated and measured values. These are discussed on the following pages.

# Communicating the Qualitative and Quantitative in Museum Daylighting

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# Problem (?)

- It is difficult to measure direct and diffuse illuminance (irradiance) separately.



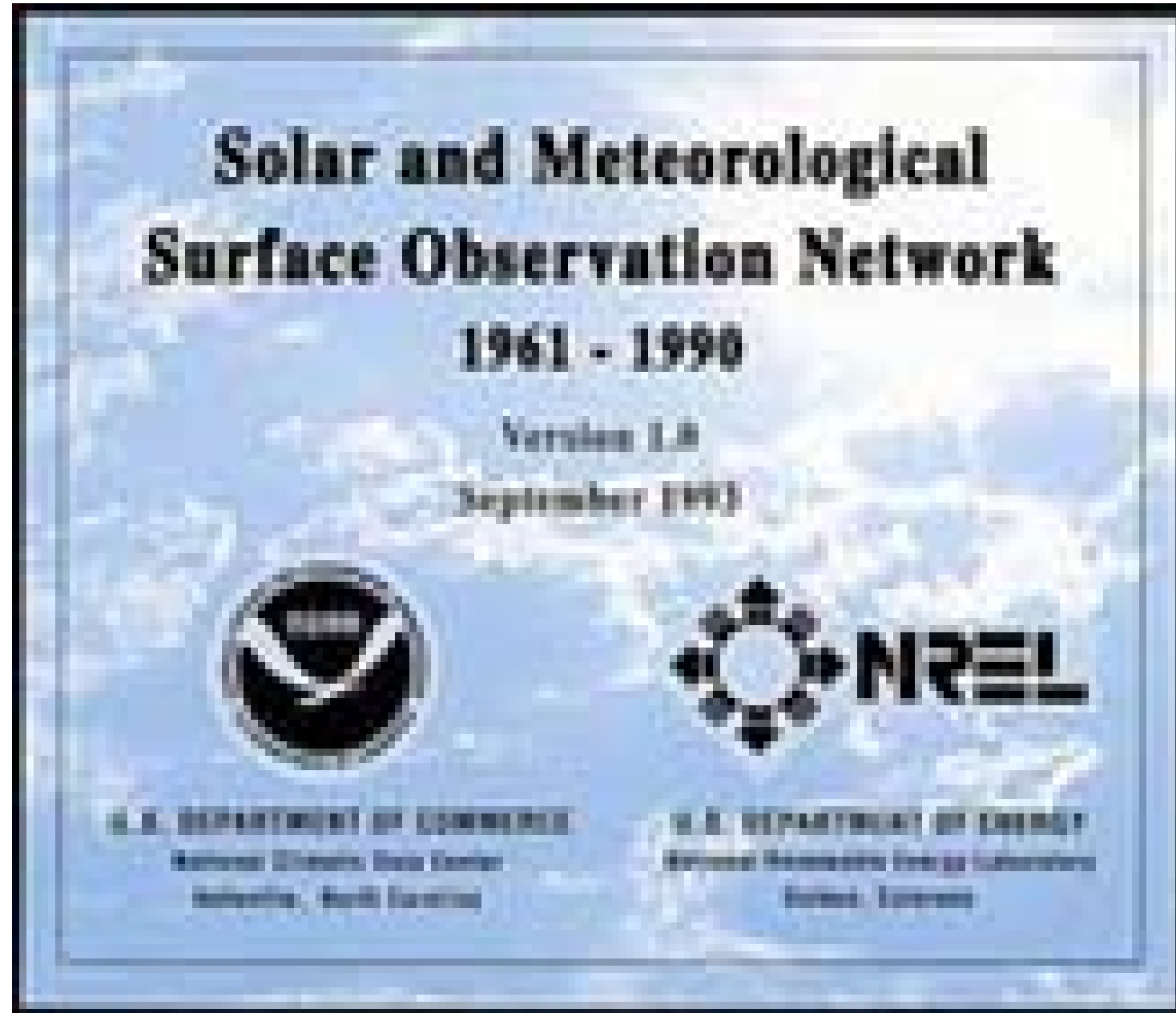
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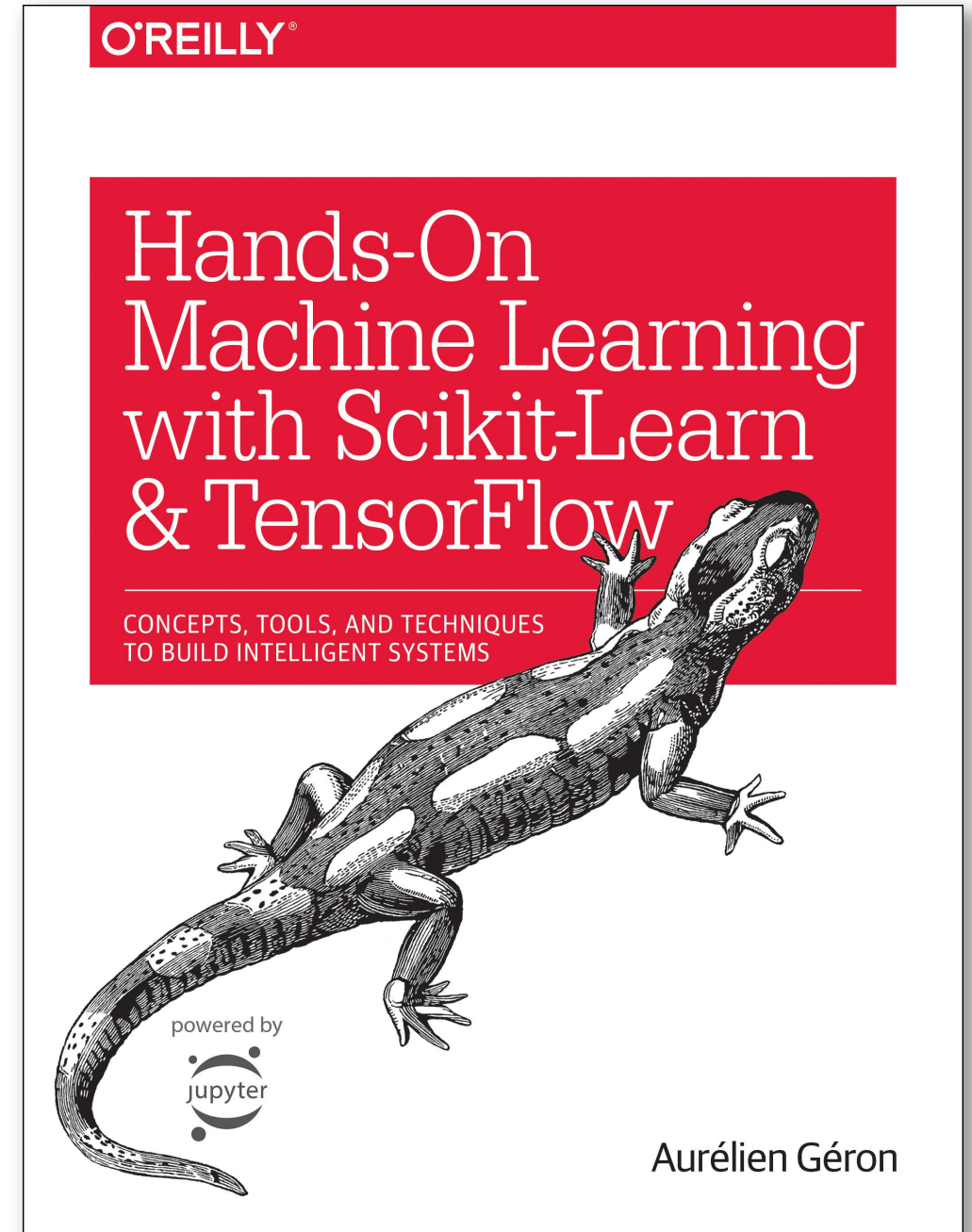
But...





# Machine Learning!

- “the science and art of programming computers so they can learn from data.” (Geron)
- Machine learning uses data to “learn” and predict outcomes rather than using explicit algorithms or rules, and works well for problems that have no known algorithm based solution, but have lots of available data to learn from.





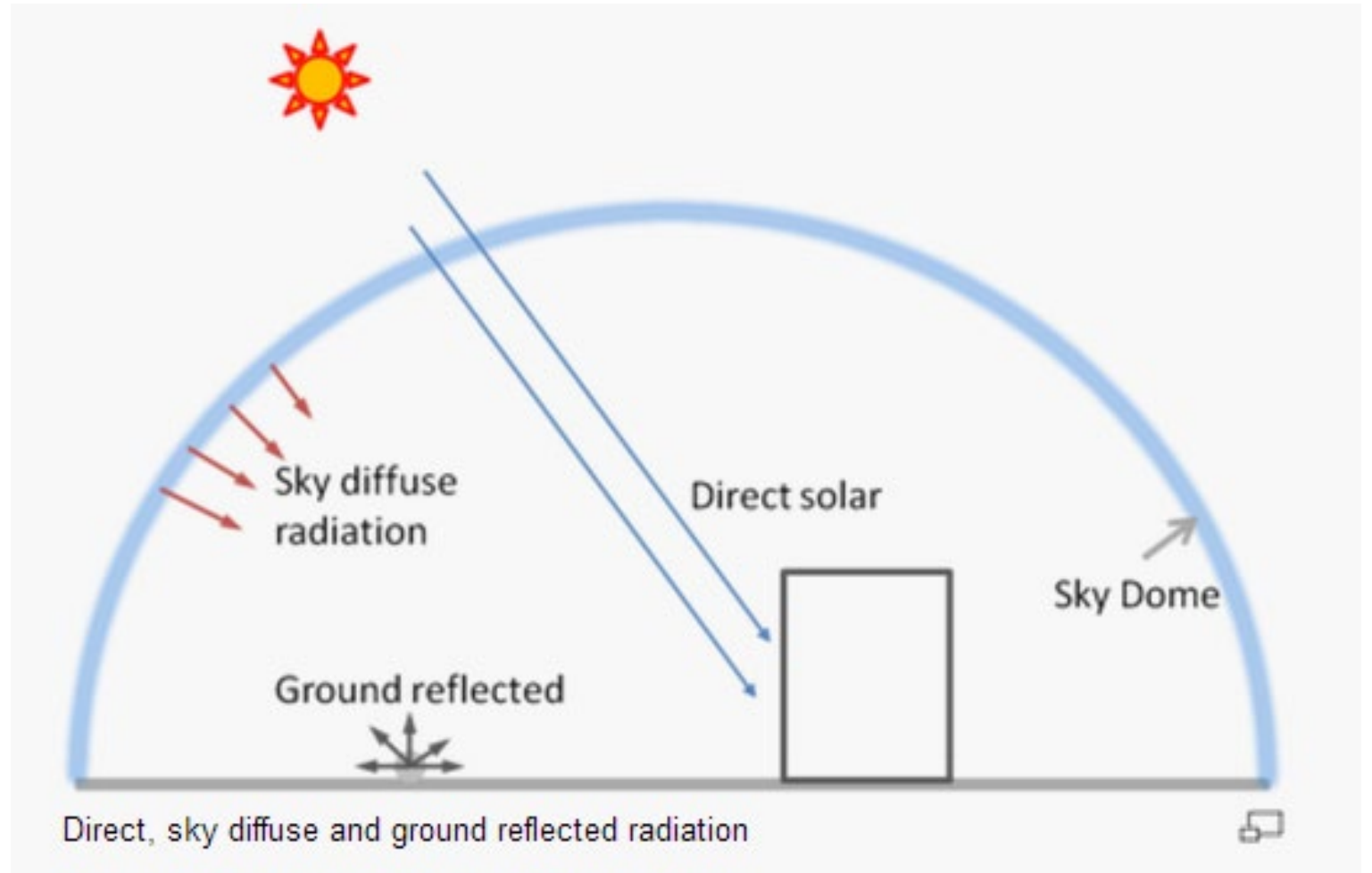
# When to use machine learning:

1. Tasks involve a function that maps well-defined inputs to well-defined outputs
2. Large (digital) datasets exist or can be created containing input-output pairs
3. Tasks provide clear feedback with clearly definable goals and metrics
4. No long chains of logic or reasoning that depend on diverse background knowledge or common sense
5. Tasks do not require detailed explanations for how the decision was made
6. Tasks have a tolerance for error and no need for provably correct or optimal solutions
7. The phenomenon or function being learned should not change rapidly over time
8. No specialized dexterity, physical skills, or mobility is required

From “What Can Machine Learning Do? Workforce Implications” Erik Brynjolfsson and Tom Mitchell, Science Magazine, Dec 22, 2017

# Hypothesis

- Data normally used:
  - Month
  - Day
  - Hour
  - Latitude
  - Longitude
  - Direct Illuminance (DIR)
  - Diffuse Illuminance (DIF)
- Data we also have:
  - Global Illuminance (GLOB)



$$\text{DIR} + \text{DIF} = \text{GLOB}$$

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- If we have:
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  - Day
  - Hour
  - Latitude
  - Longitude
  - Global Illuminance (GLOB)
- Can we predict:
  - Direct Illuminance (DIR)
  - Diffuse Illuminance (DIF)



# Process

this part only done once

## Source Data

Data Files:  
1 header row, 8760 data rows  
30 files per folder (location)  
Files are in zip format  
236 folders

## Parse Data

1. unzip
2. split off header (add to data rows?)

## Store Data

one big file? (~8.2gb, 62 million rows)  
mysql database?

this part only done for every project / location / measurement period

## Select Data

- specific location
- lat/long range
- ???

## Train ML Model

- lat
- long
- sm
- date
- time
- global horiz
- direct normal
- diffuse horizontal

## ML Model

## Hourly Results

- direct normal
- diffuse horizontal

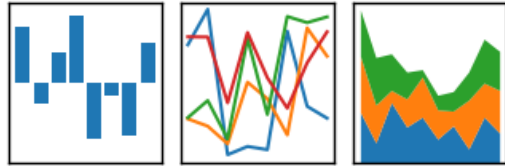
## Measured Data

- lat
- long
- sm
- date
- time
- global horiz

# Tools



pandas  
 $y_{it} = \beta' x_{it} + \mu_i + \epsilon_{it}$



matplotlib



25 years  
trillions of rays served  
**Radiance**



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Python 3

Step 2 - Extracting data in a manner ready to use

The Python Data Analysis Library (pandas) has functions specifically to query and extract data from SQL databases in a data structure. The function below queries the first 12 rows where solar altitude is greater than zero and the state is 'NJ'.

In [24]: conn = sqlite3.connect("weather\_database.db")

In [29]: df = pd.read\_sql\_query("SELECT \* FROM weatherdata WHERE solar\_altitude > 0 AND state = 'NJ' LIMIT 12;", conn)

In [30]: df

Out[30]:

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12 rows x 19 columns



# Part 1 – Get data into useable format

- Unzip data files
  - Each group of 30 files within its own folder
- Add in header data to each line
  - Add lat/long info based on day/time/location
- Read into database

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2	1	10	1	1	10	69.0	65.0	20.46	-29.34
3	1	11	1	1	11	173.0	173.0	24.77	-15.12
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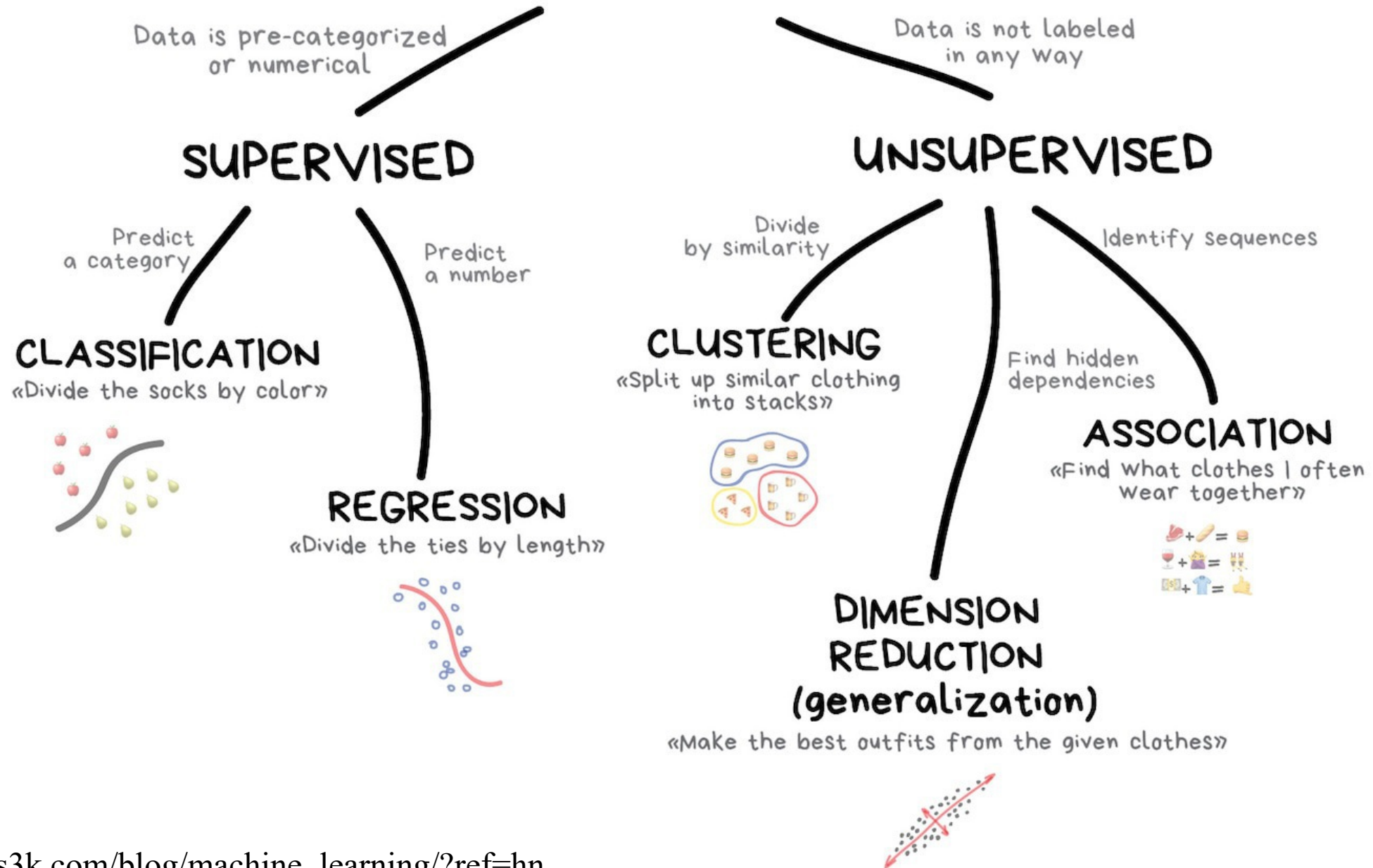
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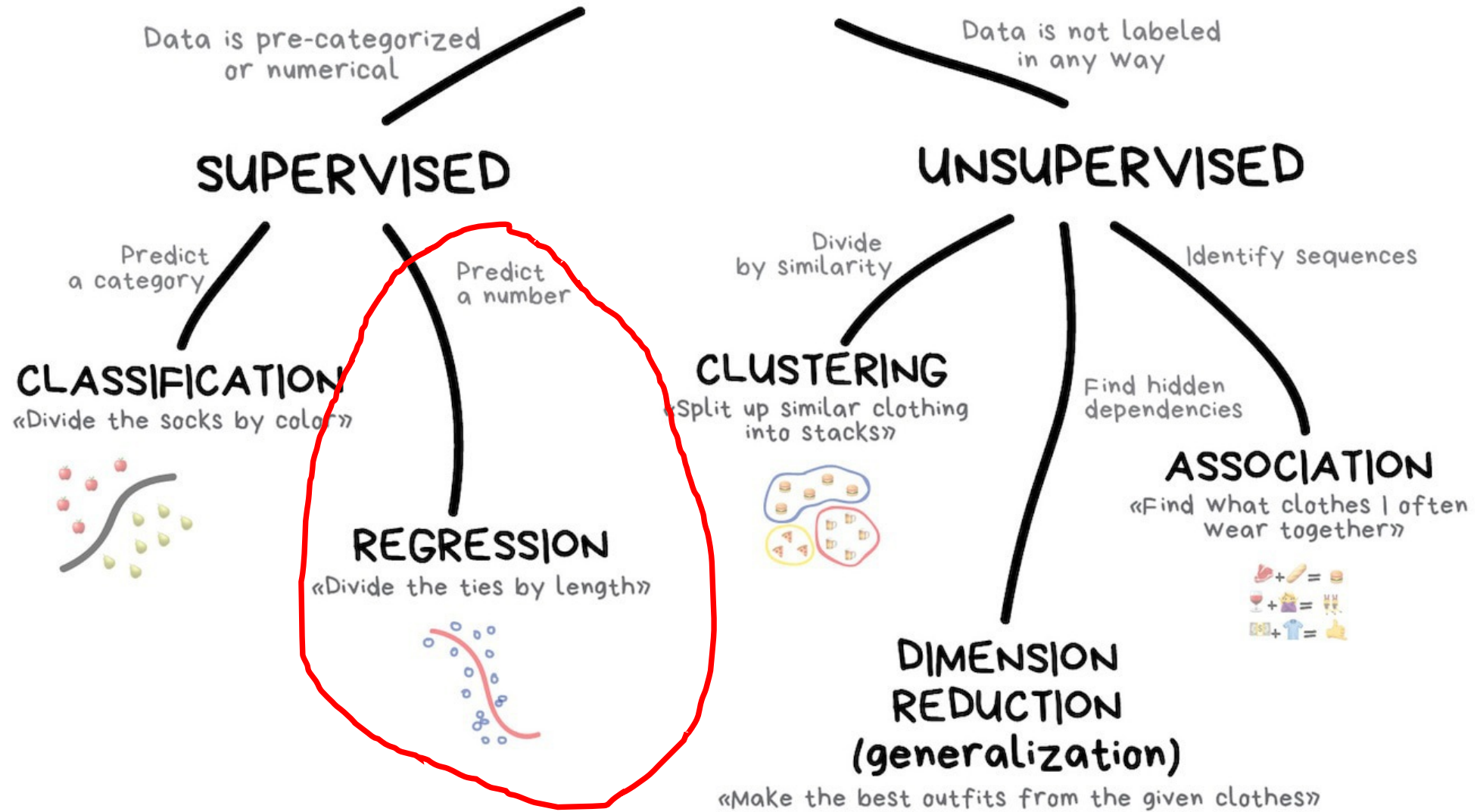
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# CLASSICAL MACHINE LEARNING



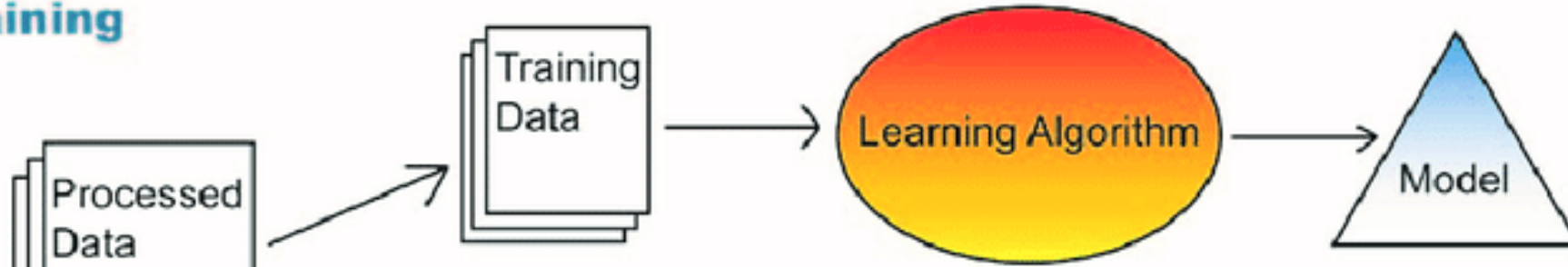
# CLASSICAL MACHINE LEARNING





# Part 2 – Create machine learning model

## A) Training



## B) Validation

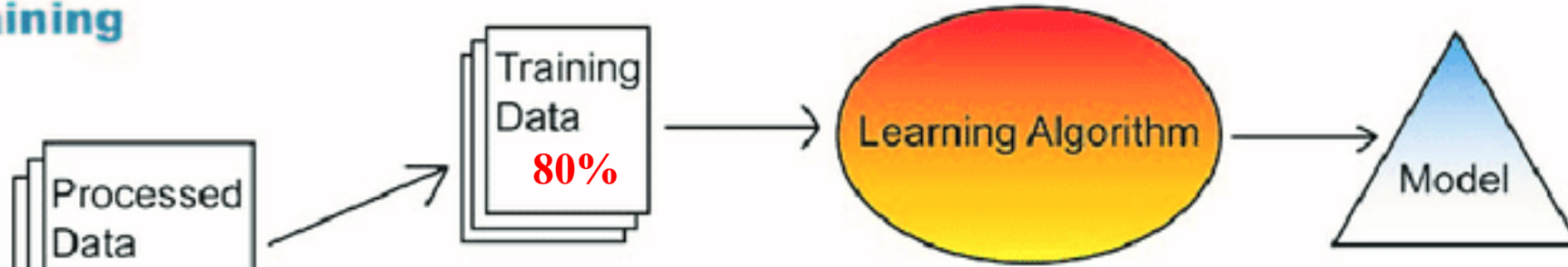


## C) Prediction



# Part 2 – Create machine learning model

## A) Training



## B) Validation



## C) Prediction



# Part 2 – Select train, validate model

## 1. Supervised learning

### 1.1. Generalized Linear Models

- 1.1.1. Ordinary Least Squares
  - 1.1.1.1. Ordinary Least Squares Complexity
- 1.1.2. Ridge Regression
  - 1.1.2.1. Ridge Complexity
  - 1.1.2.2. Setting the regularization parameter: generalized Cross-Validation
- 1.1.3. Lasso
  - 1.1.3.1. Setting regularization parameter
    - 1.1.3.1.1. Using cross-validation
    - 1.1.3.1.2. Information-criteria based model selection
    - 1.1.3.1.3. Comparison with the regularization parameter of SVM
- 1.1.4. Multi-task Lasso
- 1.1.5. Elastic-Net
- 1.1.6. Multi-task Elastic-Net
- 1.1.7. Least Angle Regression
- 1.1.8. LARS Lasso
  - 1.1.8.1. Mathematical formulation
- 1.1.9. Orthogonal Matching Pursuit (OMP)
- 1.1.10. Bayesian Regression
  - 1.1.10.1. Bayesian Ridge Regression
  - 1.1.10.2. Automatic Relevance Determination - ARD
- 1.1.11. Logistic regression
- 1.1.12. Stochastic Gradient Descent - SGD
- 1.1.13. Perceptron
- 1.1.14. Passive Aggressive Algorithms
- 1.1.15. Robustness regression: outliers and modeling errors
  - 1.1.15.1. Different scenario and useful concepts
  - 1.1.15.2. RANSAC: RANdom SAmple Consensus
    - 1.1.15.2.1. Details of the algorithm
  - 1.1.15.3. Theil-Sen estimator: generalized-median-based estimator
    - 1.1.15.3.1. Theoretical considerations
  - 1.1.15.4. Huber Regression
  - 1.1.15.5. Notes
- 1.1.16. Polynomial regression: extending linear models with basis functions

### 1.2. Linear and Quadratic Discriminant Analysis

- 1.2.1. Dimensionality reduction using Linear Discriminant Analysis
- 1.2.2. Mathematical formulation of the LDA and QDA classifiers
- 1.2.3. Mathematical formulation of LDA dimensionality reduction
- 1.2.4. Shrinkage
- 1.2.5. Estimation algorithms

### 1.3. Kernel ridge regression

### 1.4. Support Vector Machines

- 1.4.1. Classification
  - 1.4.1.1. Multi-class classification
  - 1.4.1.2. Scores and probabilities
  - 1.4.1.3. Unbalanced problems
- 1.4.2. Regression
- 1.4.3. Density estimation, novelty detection
- 1.4.4. Complexity
- 1.4.5. Tips on Practical Use
- 1.4.6. Kernel functions
  - 1.4.6.1. Custom Kernels
    - 1.4.6.1.1. Using Python functions as kernels
    - 1.4.6.1.2. Using the Gram matrix
    - 1.4.6.1.3. Parameters of the RBF Kernel
- 1.4.7. Mathematical formulation
  - 1.4.7.1. SVC
  - 1.4.7.2. NuSVC
  - 1.4.7.3. SVR
- 1.4.8. Implementation details

### 1.5. Stochastic Gradient Descent

- 1.5.1. Classification
- 1.5.2. Regression
- 1.5.3. Stochastic Gradient Descent for sparse data
- 1.5.4. Complexity
- 1.5.5. Stopping criterion
- 1.5.6. Tips on Practical Use
- 1.5.7. Mathematical formulation
  - 1.5.7.1. SGD
- 1.5.8. Implementation details

### 1.6. Nearest Neighbors

- 1.6.1. Unsupervised Nearest Neighbors
  - 1.6.1.1. Finding the Nearest Neighbors
  - 1.6.1.2. KDTree and BallTree Classes
- 1.6.2. Nearest Neighbors Classification
- 1.6.3. Nearest Neighbors Regression
- 1.6.4. Nearest Neighbor Algorithms
  - 1.6.4.1. Brute Force
  - 1.6.4.2. K-D Tree
  - 1.6.4.3. Ball Tree
  - 1.6.4.4. Choice of Nearest Neighbors Algorithm
  - 1.6.4.5. Effect of `leaf_size`
- 1.6.5. Nearest Centroid Classifier
  - 1.6.5.1. Nearest Shrunken Centroid
- 1.6.6. Neighborhood Components Analysis
  - 1.6.6.1. Classification
  - 1.6.6.2. Dimensionality reduction
  - 1.6.6.3. Mathematical formulation
    - 1.6.6.3.1. Mahalanobis distance
  - 1.6.6.4. Implementation
  - 1.6.6.5. Complexity
    - 1.6.6.5.1. Training
    - 1.6.6.5.2. Transform

### 1.7. Gaussian Processes

- 1.7.1. Gaussian Process Regression (GPR)
  - 1.7.1.1. GPR with noise-level estimation
- 1.7.2. GPR examples
  - 1.7.2.1. Comparison of GPR and Kernel Ridge Regression
  - 1.7.2.2. GPR on Mauna Loa CO2 data
- 1.7.3. Gaussian Process Classification (GPC)
- 1.7.4. GPC examples
  - 1.7.4.1. Probabilistic predictions with GPC
  - 1.7.4.2. Illustration of GPC on the XOR dataset
  - 1.7.4.3. Gaussian process classification (GPC) on iris dataset
- 1.7.5. Kernels for Gaussian Processes
  - 1.7.5.1. Gaussian Process Kernel API
  - 1.7.5.2. Basic kernels
  - 1.7.5.3. Kernel operators
  - 1.7.5.4. Radial-basis function (RBF) kernel
  - 1.7.5.5. Matérn kernel
  - 1.7.5.6. Rational quadratic kernel
  - 1.7.5.7. Exp-Sine-Squared kernel
  - 1.7.5.8. Dot-Product kernel
  - 1.7.5.9. References

## 8. Cross decomposition

### 9. Naive Bayes

- 1.9.1. Gaussian Naive Bayes
- 1.9.2. Multinomial Naive Bayes
- 1.9.3. Complement Naive Bayes
- 1.9.4. Bernoulli Naive Bayes
- 1.9.5. Out-of-core naive Bayes model fitting

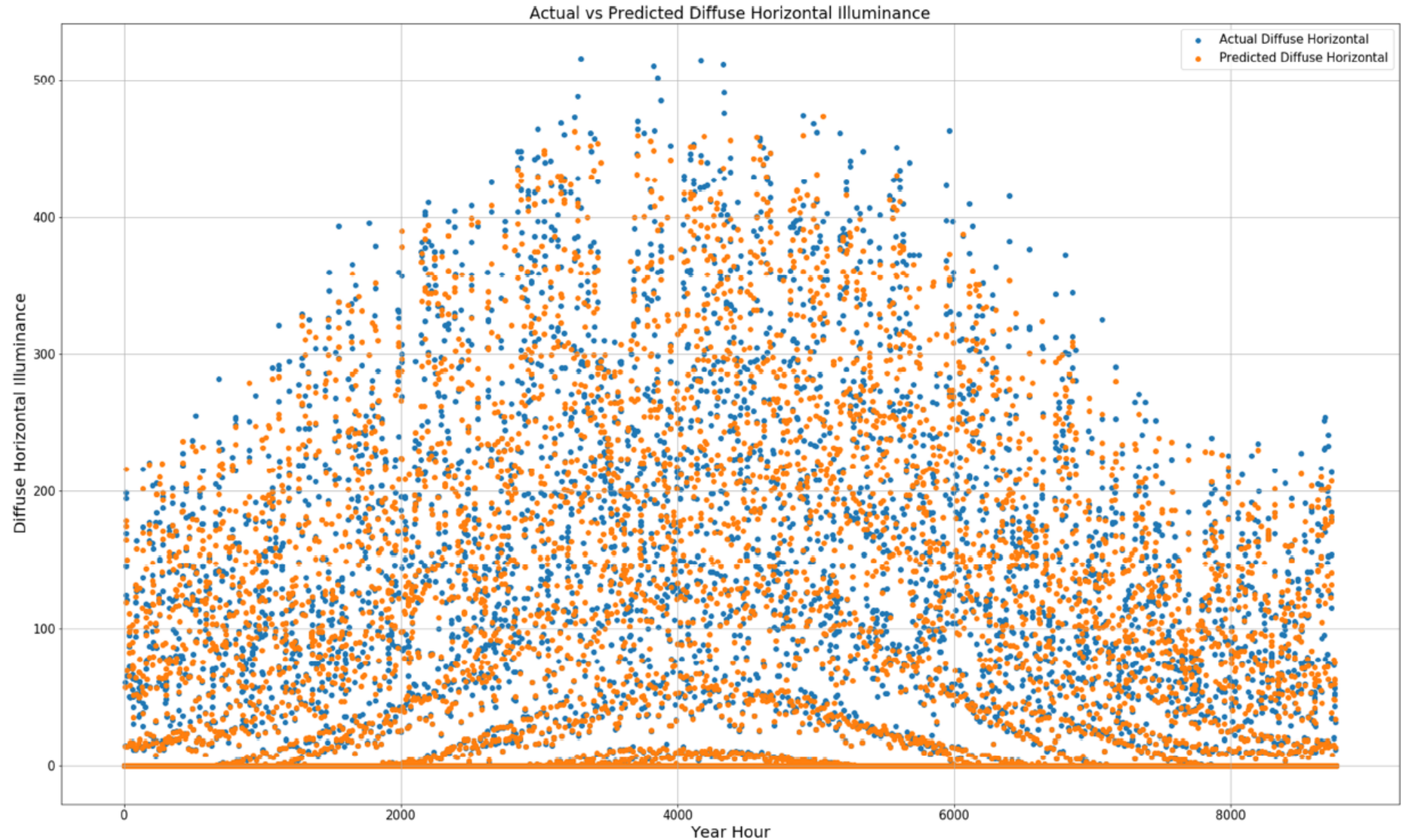
### 10. Decision Trees

- 1.10.1. Classification
- 1.10.2. Regression
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- 1.10.4. Complexity
- 1.10.5. Tips on practical use
- 1.10.6. Tree algorithms: ID3, C4.5, C5.0 and CART
- 1.10.7. Mathematical formulation
  - 1.10.7.1. Classification criteria
  - 1.10.7.2. Regression criteria

### 11. Ensemble methods

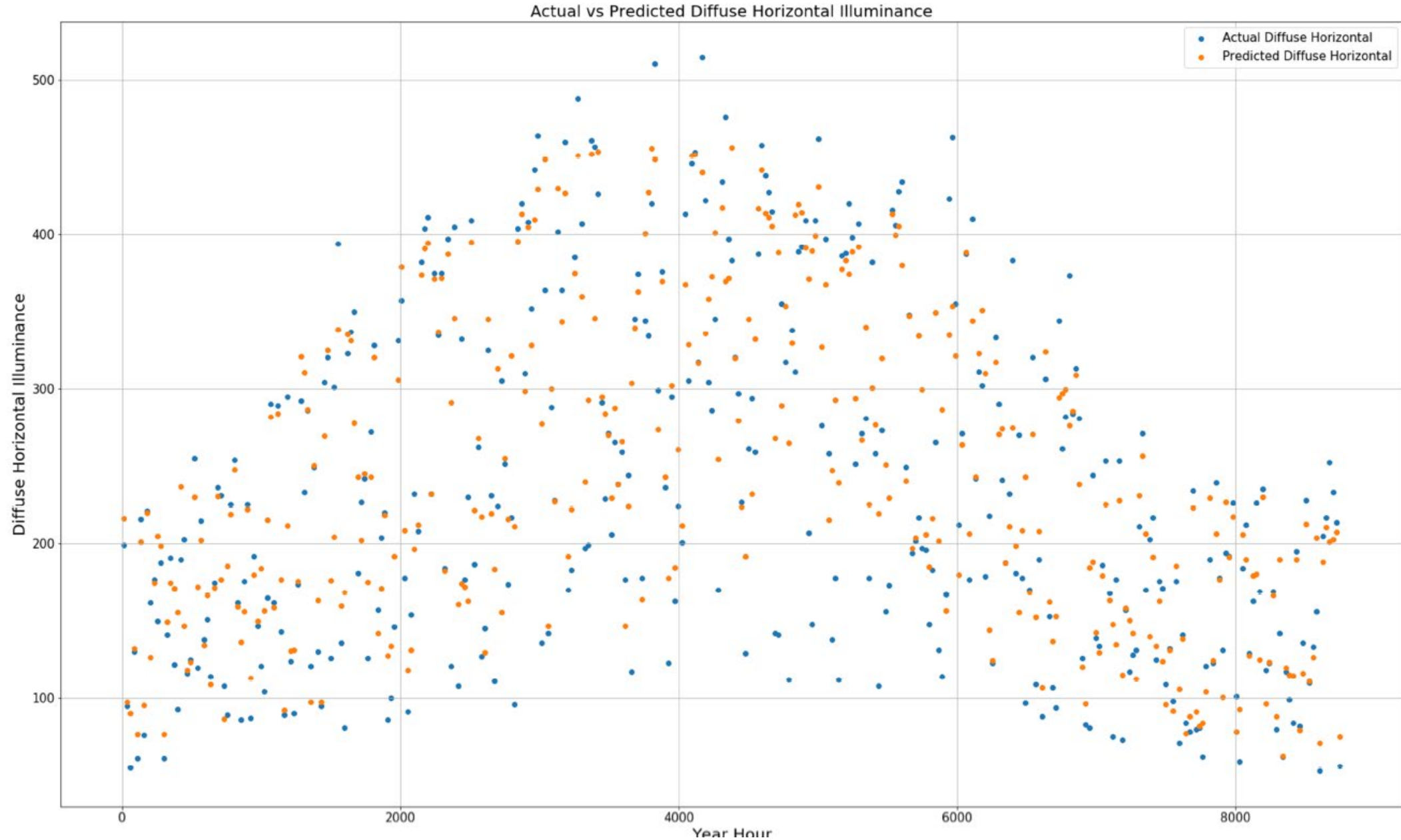
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  - 1.11.5.1. Majority Class Labels (Majority/Hard Voting)
    - 1.11.5.1.1. Usage
  - 1.11.5.2. Weighted Average Probabilities (Soft Voting)
  - 1.11.5.3. Using the `votingClassifier` with `GridSearchCV`
    - 1.11.5.3.1. Usage

# Results – Annual Hourly

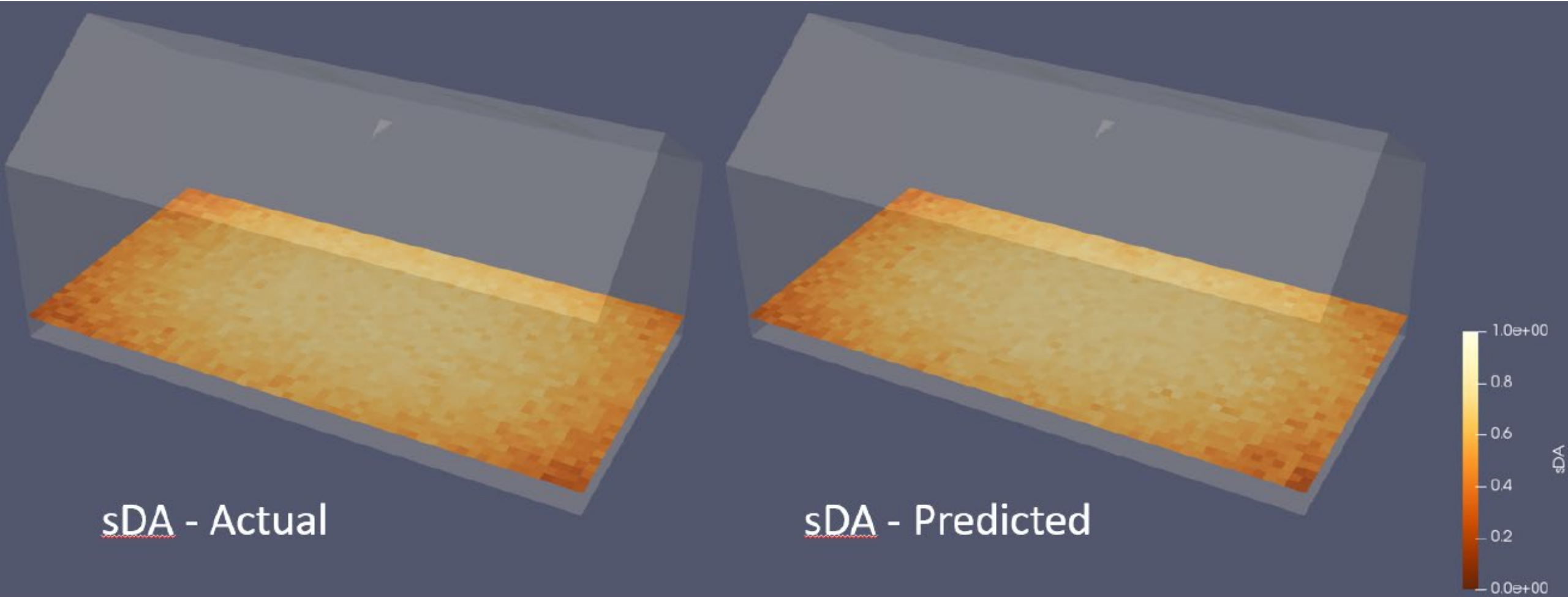




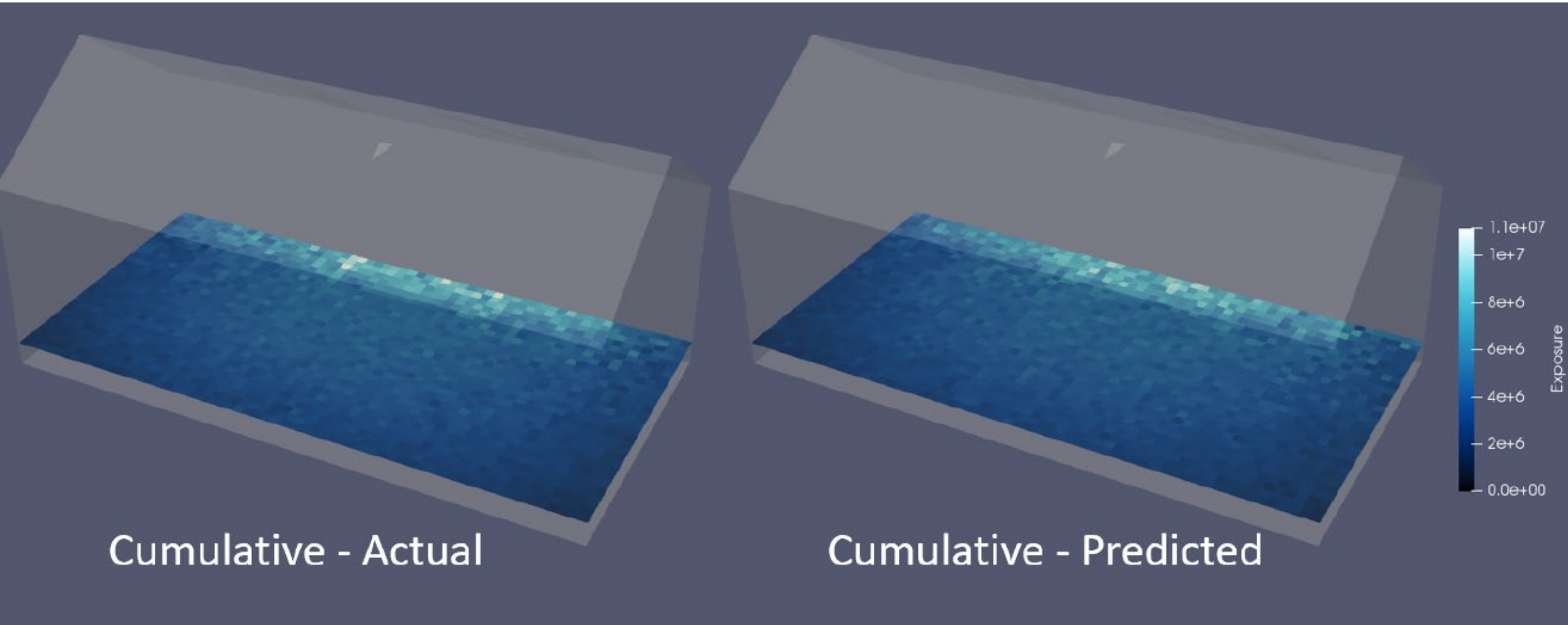
# Results – Annual Hourly – 12p.m. only



# Analysis with Predicted Data - sDA



# Analysis with Predicted Data - Cumulative





**But wait!**

Aren't there already ways to do  
this?

# Existing Models

- Erbs et al., 1982 (ER)
- Orgill and Hollands, 1977 (OH)
- Reindl et al., 1990 (RE)
- Lam and Li, 1996 (LL)
- Skartveit and Olseth, 1987 (SO)
- Louche et al., 1991 (LO)
- Maxwell, 1987 (MA)
- Vignola and McDaniels, 1984 (VM)

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# Error Metrics

- Mean Bias Deviation (MBD)
- Relative Error (RE)
- Root Mean Squared Deviation (RMSD, RMSE)



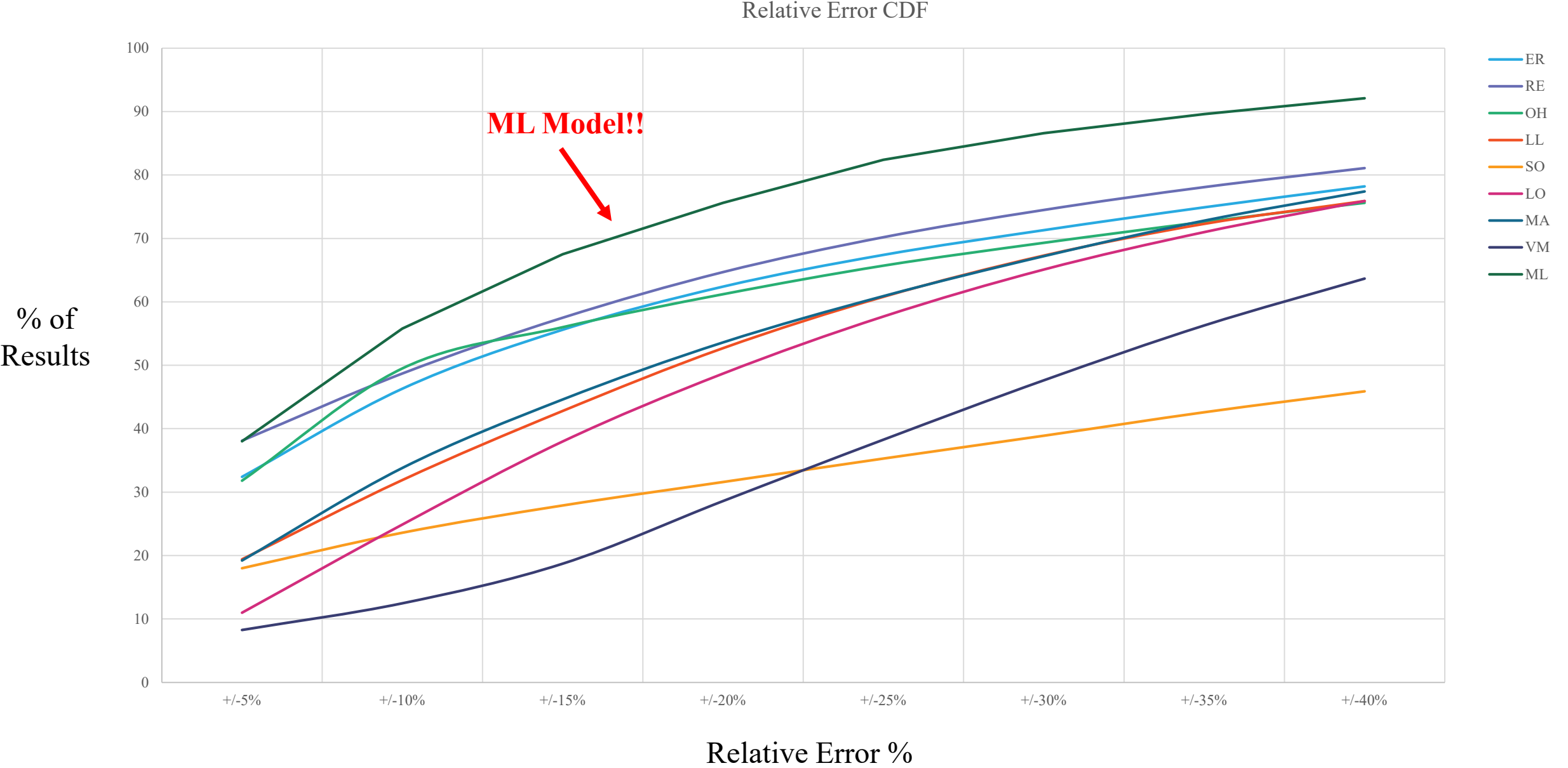
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<b>ML</b>	<b>-5.87</b>	<b>35.32</b>

# Error Metrics – Relative Error CDF



# Takeaways

- Solution looks promising – needs more development
  - ML trained on only one NY weather station, ~131,000 measurements
  - 62M measurements in data set
  - Does using more than one weather station improve results, ie within a radius of target location where similar climate conditions are expected?
  - Does using all 236 weather stations improve results?
- Databases are very useful!
- Python/Jupyter environment worked well for this type of development.



# Thank you!



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