

The Next Generation of Chamber Control Software

**User Manual** 

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#### 1 Introduction

All living organisms respond to alterations in environmental conditions from air temperature cycles to variations in incident solar radiation quality and duration. In particular, differences in spectral quality of incident radiation causes physiological and biochemical alterations in plants (Senger, 1987). Therefore, in order for an environmental control chamber to more accurately duplicate the natural environment, there is a need to simulate these environmental fluctuations. This is the main goal of WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup>.

WeatherEze® is four programs in one. The first is a real-time weather duplicator, the second is a historical weather duplicator, the third is a climatological simulator, and the fourth is a climate change simulator. In all modes the software automatically calculates the intensity and quality of the incident solar radiation and correspondingly sets the lights, or allows one to select from a Daily Light Integral table. These simulated lighting settings automatically mimic the conditions at the site at any particular time to the best of the ability of the available lighting options. For instance, incandescent lights lack significant control features and the output from the bulb is not limited to a few wavelengths. Therefore, the ability to match predicted spectra with incandescent lighting is limited. However, for chambers with LED lighting (or dimmable fluorescent banks with colored bulbs), the fact that the power is controllable as well as the fact that the LED lamps provide narrow output bands make this lighting system particularly suited for this type of control feature. In the latter three modes, data is retrieved from a cultured database that includes data based off of a variety of sources, including the IPCC, NOAA, and other historical weather sources. WeatherEze uses this data that we have cultivated for quality in order to calculate simulation files for a user to run.

**Real-time Weather Data:** The software can retrieve data from a METAR (Appendix A.5) reporting weather station and then "run" the observed weather conditions in the selected chamber. The coverage for the METAR stations is denser in the US. However, there are locations around the globe (mainly airports) that enable WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> to have a global scope.

**Historical Simulation:** The historical simulation allows the user to run past conditions based on any location on the globe. This is based on our database collection which has undergone severe vetting in order to sure that only time and locations with sufficient data can be run.

Climatology Simulation: The weather simulator enables the user to select any location on the globe and to run the chamber based on the simulated temperature, relative humidity, predicted CO<sub>2</sub> profiles and incident solar radiation quality for that location.

Climate Change Simulation: WeatherEze accesses its personal database to obtain climate change information based on IPCC data. This function has a number of controls based on the differing datasets, models, and scenarios of different climate change simulations (4A.6) that enable a variety of different possible future conditions.

Welcome to the next generation of chamber control software. The following chapters in this manual will lead you through what you need to know to get WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> up and running on your computer.

Additional background information that will be helpful in getting your chamber set-up with WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> can be found in Appendix A.

#### 2 Getting Started

Before starting the installation of WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup>, please make sure that your personal computer (PC) or laptop meets the specifications described below. If you plan to run real-time weather conditions, please ensure that the computer is connected to the internet. An internet connection is not required if you have already generated simulation files to run. WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> requires the Windows 7+ operating system.

WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> is designed to control more than one chamber if you wish. Although the number of times that a simulation file can be generated per day is limited.

#### 2.1 Computer System Requirements

#### **Minimum Hardware Requirements**

- 1 GHz microprocessor
- 512 MB of RAM
- 200 MB of free disk space on your hard drive for software installation only
- 10 Mbps network card

#### **Minimum Operating System Requirements**

- Windows 7® or higher operating system
- Network Connection (TCP/IP) (installed and functioning)

#### **Recommended System Accessories**

- Uninterruptible power supply (UPS)
- Surge protector

It is highly recommended that an uninterruptible power supply is purchased for the computer running Weather $Eze^{TM}$ . This will ensure maximum uptime for the software in the event of power failures.

#### 2.2 Operation Notes

It is recommended that you run WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> with an empty chamber for a few days before introducing any experiment to acquaint yourself with the software's operation and to ensure that WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> meets the requirements for your experiments. It is recommended that you regularly check to ensure that WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> is running properly.

The following can affect the operation of WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup>:

- Network connectivity: WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> must maintain a network connection with the chamber it is controlling. If network connectivity is lost the chamber will continue to control at the last set points successfully sent from the software. If running a real-time experiment, WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> must maintain access to the Internet to successfully receive settings from the selected METAR station. If WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> fails to access the Internet the chamber will continue to control at the last set points successfully sent from the software. In the event of a network failure, WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> should be restarted.
- Computer power: The computer running WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> must be continually powered. If power is lost to the computer the chamber will continue to control at the last set points successfully sent from the software.
- Operating system/running applications: The Windows operating system and other running applications may affect the operation of WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup>. If possible, it is recommended that a minimum number of applications are run on the computer running WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup>. Over time, the stability of the operating system may degrade if the computer is not restarted periodically.

The Intellus controller does not store the settings programmed via WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> in permanent memory. Therefore, if power is cycled to the chamber while WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> is running the chamber will temporarily use the manual settings configured in the Intellus controller until WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> sends updated data. Before running an experiment with WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> please configure these manual settings to values that are appropriate for your experiment. Please refer to the separate Intellus controller manual provided for information on setting the manual temperature set point, lighting set points, manual %RH set point (if applicable) and auxiliary set point (if applicable).

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#### 2.3 Chamber Requirements

#### **Minimum Chamber Requirements**

• Percival Scientific's Intellus C9

#### **Additional Hardware Requirements**

#### For Temperature Control

O All chambers have the ability to control temperature. However, the temperature control is limited to a high and low value that the chamber is designed to operate within. These limits are shown on the chamber or in your chamber manual.

#### • For Relative Humidity Control

O In order to simulate changes in relative humidity, the chamber must have a relative humidity control option installed. The type of relative humidity control hardware will be the limiting factor for the software control.

#### • For CO<sub>2</sub> Control

O In order to simulate changes in CO<sub>2</sub>, the chamber must have a CO<sub>2</sub> control option installed. The type of control features for CO<sub>2</sub> will limit the potential control possibilities.

#### • For Lighting Control

O The optimum lighting option is LED lamp banks (since these light sources have very discrete wavelength outputs). However, all lighting systems are supported from incandescent bulbs, on/off fluorescent banks, dimmable fluorescent banks, metal halide, and high pressure sodium lamp banks. The software's ability to mimic the solar quality is limited to the ability of the chamber lighting options. WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> will automatically detect what options are available and enable those control features based on the current chamber configuration. The user can change control of the various features by means of the setup (3.1).

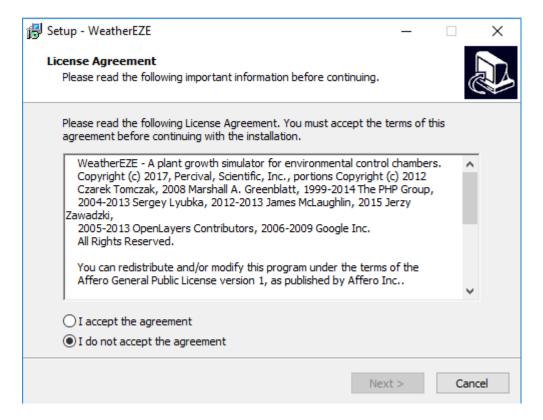
WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> is distributed by CD or online.

1. To install WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup>, simply insert the CD into the CD/DVD drive and open the CD's root directory, or the downloads folder for where you downloaded WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup>. Run the WeatherEze Setup file as administrator if possible (Figure 1 Illustration of setup.exe) (if you cannot do this, please note the different instructions in step 3).



Figure 1 Illustration of setup.exe

2. After setup.exe is executed (manually or automatically), you will see a few windows relating to the licensing agreements (Figure 2 License Agreements). Click "accept" and then next to pass these screens.



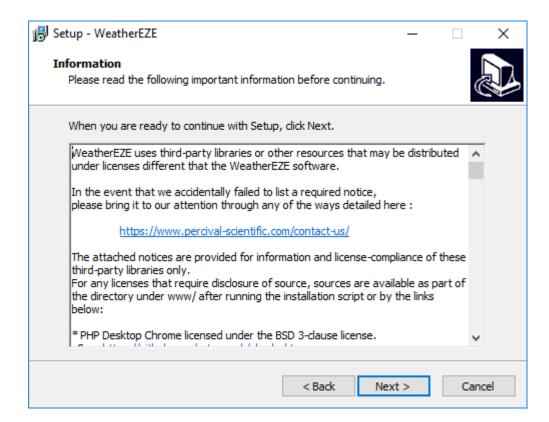


Figure 2 License Agreements

3. On the next screen (Figure 3 Installation directory), you can select the destination folder for the installation of WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup>. The default directory suggested is shown in the folder entry box. This can be changed by the user if desired by either typing directly in the folder entry box or by selecting "Browse..." button. The radio buttons on the bottom enable the user to select if the software should be visible to all users of the computer or just the current user. If you do not have administrator access, be sure to install in a folder where you have full access privileges. Click next when you have chosen a suitable folder.

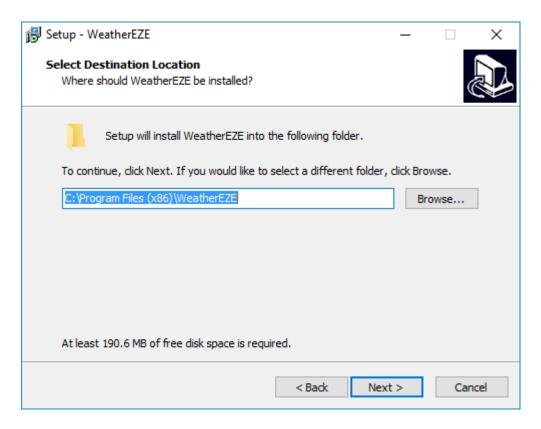


Figure 3 Installation directory

4. You can choose to input a desktop shortcut if you click the checkbox (Figure 4 Insert shortcut). Once you have decided, click next.

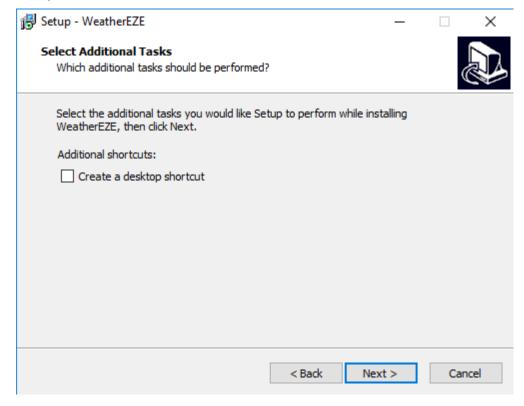


Figure 4 Insert shortcut

5. This screen (Figure 5 Installation confirmation) confirms the end of the installation wizard. Click Install to install WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup>. During installation, the current progress of each installation module is shown on the screen. The installation process will take roughly 5-10 minutes to complete, depending on hardware and computer processing speed.

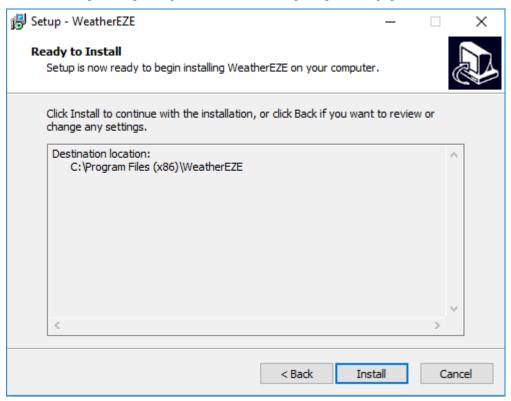


Figure 5 Installation confirmation

7. After installation a privacy policy is displayed (Figure 6 Privacy policy page). Take time to review this information.

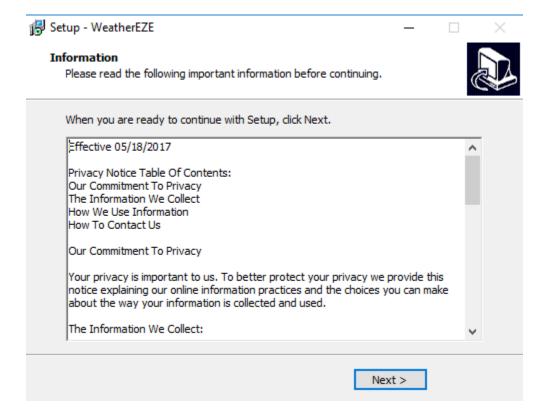


Figure 6 Privacy policy page

8. The final page (Figure 7 Installation completed screen) confirms that your installation of WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> has completed. The software and required libraries are installed on your computer in the destination directory specified. The installation program added a shortcut to WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> on the desktop of the computer if you chose. Click the checkbox and Finish if you want to run WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> now.



Figure 7 Installation completed screen

2.5 WeatherEze™ Recommendations

The following recommendations should be observed when running WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup>:

- 1. A battery backup should be purchased for the computer running WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup>.
- 2. It is recommended that the computer running WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> be restarted at the end of an experiment or once a month if running an experiment longer than one month. If running a simulation (3.8) be sure to note the current simulated date and time the software is running before shutting down the software. When restarting the simulation, enter this date and time in the simulation start section of the program options screen.

Please contact Percival Scientific with questions regarding these recommendations.

#### 2.6 General Quick start Usage Guide

The following steps can be used as a general guide to using WeatherEze™ in general, the setup process follows linearly down this list:

- 1. Assign an IP address to the chamber you wish to control. Any chamber you wish to control using WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> must have an IP address assigned to it. This IP address must be visible on your network. The chamber IP address is set in the Intellus Web Server provided with the chamber. For information on configuring the IP address please refer to the section titled, "Connecting to the Intellus Web Server" in the separate Intellus Web Server manual provided.
- 2. Add the chamber to the WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> database. Please refer to 3.1 for information on adding a chamber to the database.
- 3. Configure light settings. Please refer to 3.1 and A.1 for information on configuring light settings.
- 4. Select the chamber from the available chamber list, please see 3.2. Once a chamber is added to the database you will need to select the chamber from the list.
- 5. Configure experiment location. Please refer to 3.3 for information on configuring experiment location and lighting simulation.
- 6. Create a simulation file if a simulation is desired (refer to 3.4-3.7). Otherwise, if a real-time simulation is desired, continue to the next step.
- 7. Run experiment (3.8).

### 3 General Usage

The overall order of the wizard screens is described in Figure 8 Order of wizard screens. Each of the wizard screens will be described separately in the following sections.

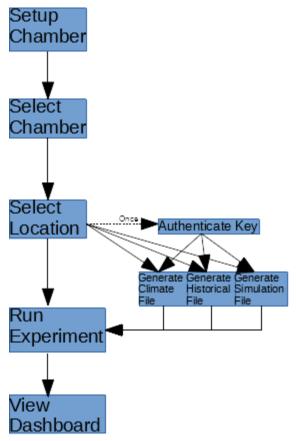


Figure 8 Order of wizard screens

#### 3.1 Setting Up a Chamber

A pull-down menu will activate when "Chamber" is clicked on the left frame. Be sure to click "Setup" as highlighted in Figure 9 Chamber setup link

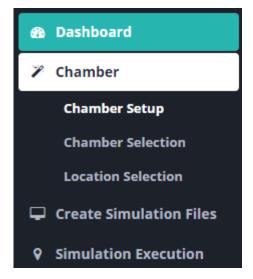


Figure 9 Chamber setup link

When the page loads, you will be prompted with a dialog box (Figure 10 Setting up a chamber connection). This dialog box allows the user to enter the IP address of the chamber. You should be able to determine the IP address of your chamber in the Diagnostics menu of your controller. There are some restrictions that must be adhered to:

Characters must be numeric in IP Address

There is a maximum of 3 digits between each period

There must be at least 1 digit (0-9) between each period

Example: 192.168.1.1

Initiate Connection

Once you have entered the IP address, click



Figure 10 Setting up a chamber connection

The software queries the chamber to determine the number of available light banks. Once this process is completed a list of available lighting events and sensors from the chamber is displayed (Figure 11 Setting up chamber lighting).

If you have a more common series of chamber, the software might be able to guess what intensities and bulbs should be set to each event. However, in many cases the software is unable to determine the type of light bulbs that are installed in each light bank, where these light bulbs are located, or the intensity that you desire for your experiment (if you have default intensities values that appear, the software will assume that the experiment is set at six inches from the lamp). Therefore, the type of light bulb in each light bank must be selected.

- Select the type of light bulb installed in your chamber for each enabled light bank. The type of light bulb(s) can typically be found on the lighting electrical diagrams provided with the chamber installation and operation manual. Currently, there are 18 different light bulb choices. The reference spectra for these light bulbs are shown in B. Once this is done, the rest of the available options will display.
- The "Location ID" setting is meant to help identify which lights act in unison. In general, if a light acts throughout the entire chamber, leave it as "0," and enter a different integer for lights that only act in specific tiers in your chamber.
- The maximum intensity depends on how far away you wish to place your experiment from the light source, and you may want to use your own independent calibration tools. (TODO

suggest calibration procedure?) As such, it is recommended that you use a light meter to determine the maximum UML intensity at the relevant median height of your experiment(s), or failing that, to use the maximum intensity according to your chamber manual's specifications.

If you are unsure of the type of light bulbs installed, their location control, or suggested maximum intensity, please double-check your chamber manual, the physical chamber itself, or contact Percival Scientific.

Otherwise, you may also install your own spectral graphs for your bulbs. To view the available spectra, and to edit them, please see B.



Figure 11 Setting up chamber lighting

After doing this for all the lights in your chamber, you will be prompted for a chamber profile name (Figure 12 Choosing a profile name). Place in either something descriptive to remember which chamber (the model or serial number of the chamber) or something that will help you troubleshoot any possible technical problems (the last 3 digits of the IP address, for example).



Figure 12 Choosing a profile name

Finally, you will be prompted for your preference in lighting control (Figure 13 Choosing a lighting preference). There are a fewer number of lights compared to the number of distinct lighting intensities at the many possible wavelengths from the Sun. Because of this, lighting control is a mathematically underdetermined problem, and some amount of approximation must take place. This is why so many methods of lighting control are provided, and why it is needed to ask for your preference in choosing between light intensity and spectral quality at this step. Choosing light intensity over spectral quality will try to make WeatherEze match only the total intensity of the lights to the Sun spectra. Choosing spectral quality will try to make WeatherEze ensure that the correct ratios of different wavelengths are matched. A more in-depth explanation of how the software uses your preference information to choose between different lighting algorithms is provided in A.1.

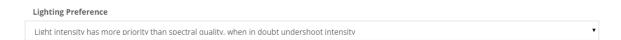


Figure 13 Choosing a lighting preference

Otherwise, you might wish to choose a simple Daily Light Integral (DLI) option. If you select "Use a plant-based Daily Light Integral" under lighting preference, then the following selection window (Figure 14 DLI selection) will appear.

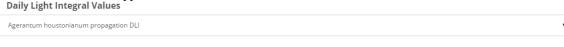


Figure 14 DLI selection

The DLI selection includes a wide variety of plant species, including light values to try to match a propagative, vegetative, flowering, or fruit stage of the corresponding plant where applicable. Once you've chosen a lighting method click the button at the bottom of the page to save the chamber.

When you've done so you should see the following message (Figure 15 Successfully added chamber).

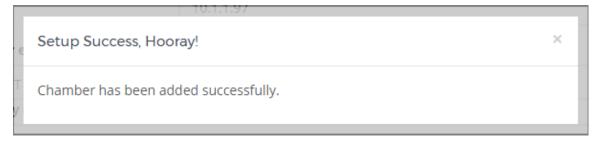


Figure 15 Successfully added chamber

Click anywhere for the message to go away and to continue. Otherwise, you might see the following message (Figure 16 Message failure).

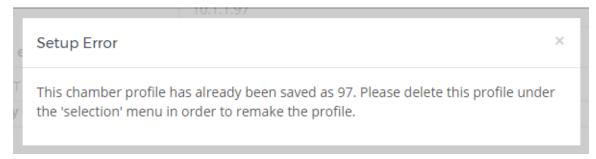


Figure 16 Message failure

This indicates that you already have a setup with the same name or IP address. Be sure to delete this profile (3.2) and then come back to the set-up page to try again.

#### 3.2 Selecting and Resetting a Chamber

A pull-down menu will activate when "Chamber" is clicked on the left frame. Be sure to click "Selection" as highlighted in Figure 17 Chamber selection link

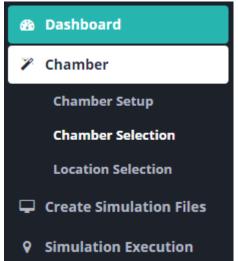


Figure 17 Chamber selection link

When the page loads, you should see a current chamber indication box (Figure 18 Chamber selection indication)



Figure 18 Chamber selection indication

This box is used to indicate which chamber you are currently working with in the program to either choose a location (3.3), viewing it remotely (3.9), or running a simulation (3.8). In Figure 18 Chamber selection indication, it shows that no chamber is currently selected. To change this, click the list below (Figure 19 Select a chamber)



Figure 19 Select a chamber

Once you choose a chamber from this list, click the "Select" button. Once you have done so, the chamber selection should have changed (Figure 20 Chamber selection example)



Figure 20 Chamber selection example

If you wish to delete a chamber, simply choose another chamber (Figure 20 Chamber selection example), and click the "Delete" button. You might have to click the link on the side of the page in order to see your changes to the chamber database.

#### 3.3 Choosing a Location

A pull-down menu will activate when "Chamber" is clicked on the left frame. Be sure to click "Location Selection" as highlighted in Figure 21 Location selection link.

Chamber
Chamber Setup
Chamber Selection
Location Selection
□ Create Simulation Files

Figure 21 Location selection link

**Simulation Execution** 

When the page loads, you should see a map (Figure 22 Location map)

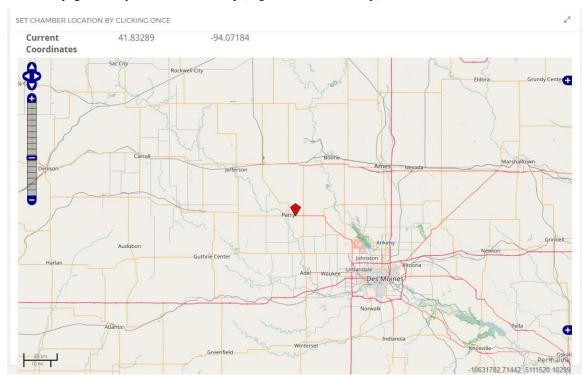


Figure 22 Location map

If you do not see this or your map is a blank blue, then double-check that you have selected a chamber (Section 3.2).

The marker indicates the current position that your selected chamber (3.2) will be simulated in. In order to change this, use the navigation tool (Figure 23 Map tool) on the left hand side of the screen in order to move to a different place on the map.

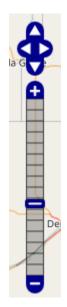


Figure 23 Map tool

When you have found the location you want to be placed at, click **ONCE** on the map. Once you have done so, a message will appear indicating your new latitude and longitude coordinates (Figure 24 New coordinates).

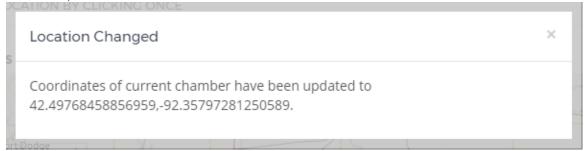


Figure 24 New coordinates

Your coordinates shown above the map (Figure 25 Shown coordinates example) should change as well.

Current 42.87816420525318 -92.52688760743193
Coordinates

Figure 25 Shown coordinates example

In order to update your position on the map, however, it may be necessary to click the location selection page to (Figure 21 Location selection link) to reload the page.

Once you have chosen a location for your chamber, you are ready to either run a METAR simulation (3.8), or if you have already registered your WeatherEZE, a climate simulation file that you have generated (3.5-3.7). In order to generate a climate simulation file, if you have not already registered your version of WeatherEZE, please continue to 3.4, otherwise, you can generate a climate change, historical, or climatological study file (3.5-3.7).

#### 3.4 Authenticating Weather EZE

A pull-down menu will activate when "Create Simulation Files" is clicked on the left frame. Be sure to click "Key Authentication" as highlighted in Figure 26 Key authentication.

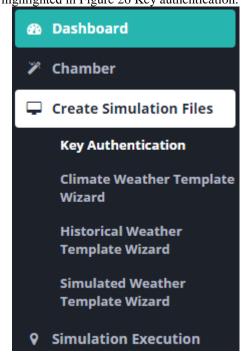


Figure 26 Key authentication

When the page loads, you should see a key entry dialog box (Figure 27 Key entry).



Figure 27 Key entry

You should have received this key when you purchased the software. If it did not, please contact Percival Scientific. Otherwise, enter the key in the field and click the "Update Key" button. Once you have done so, a dialog box should come up, indicating that the key has been updated (Figure 28 Key success).



Figure 28 Key success

In order to verify that the key is working correctly, try generating a simulation file (3.5-3.7). If at any time you see this message appear on the screen (Figure 29 Key failure)



Figure 29 Key failure

Then make sure that your install is correct (e.g., you have permissions to use WeatherEze properly, see 2.4), and then try re-entering your key. If you still have issues, something might have happened to your account and you should contact Percival Scientific.

#### 3.5 Generating a Climate Change Simulation File

A pull-down menu will activate when "Utilities" is clicked on the left frame. Be sure to click "Climate Weather Template Wizard" as highlighted in Figure 30 Climate weather template wizard link

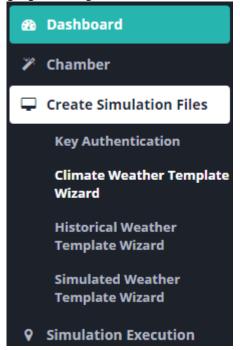


Figure 30 Climate weather template wizard

When the page loads, you should see your selected chamber and selected latitude and longitude of your chamber (Figure 31 Chamber setup review). If you don't, please revisit 3.2 and 3.3.



Figure 31 Chamber setup review

Climate change data creates a climatology model based on 30 year averages. So, if these values look correct, you can continue by choosing a date (Figure 32 Choosing a time period). This involves first choosing a time range with a year. Click inside the text box to activate the calendar selection tool (Figure 32 Choosing a time period). When you are done, click "Apply."

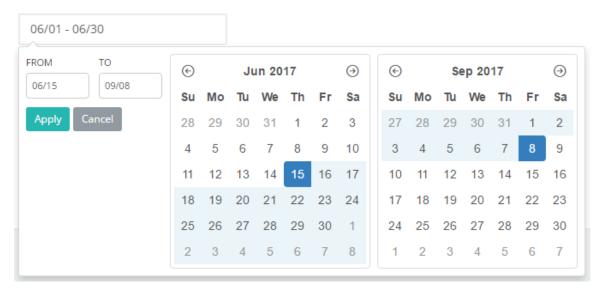


Figure 32 Choosing a time period

Now you can choose a 30-year climatological period (Figure 33 Climatological time period).

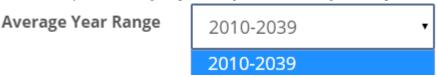


Figure 33 Climatological time period

Now we must choose how each day should be interpolated. Although the settings indicate the degree of accuracy of the daily calculation ("Fine" being the most computationally intensive, but also accurate, and "Coarse" being the least computationally intensive, but less accurate), this is for ease of interpretation. Each option uses a different algorithm to use the daily averages and interpolate throughout a given day. For more information about how this is done, see A.5. Otherwise, choose a level (Figure 34 Daily interpolation accuracy).



Figure 34 Daily interpolation accuracy

Next, choose a dataset (Figure 35 Climate change dataset). The datasets available here indicate which dataset from the IPCC the software will try to mimic. For information to help choose which dataset to use, please visit the IPCC climate change website, or see 4A.6. Please keep in mind that the grid spacing may change quite a bit between datasets. This means that based on what dataset you choose and what you put at the latitude and longitude might get rounded a significant distance to the simulated latitude and longitude. If you think the data looks too cold or too hot, keep this in mind.

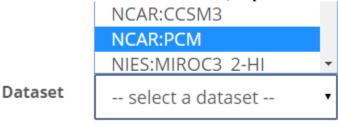


Figure 35 Climate change dataset

Once you have chosen a dataset, the climate change scenarios available for that dataset is shown (Figure 36 Climate change scenario). The difference between these scenarios as far as this software is concerned

mainly have to do with the predicted CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. If you have CO<sub>2</sub> control on your chamber, this will influence the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> you use greatly. For more information, again, please visit the IPCC website or see 4A.6.

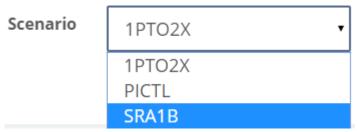


Figure 36 Climate change scenario

When you are ready, click the "Generate Program" button. **BE WARNED, WHEN YOU DO THIS, IT WILL TAKE SOME TIME TO GENERATE THE CLIMATE CHANGE SIMULATION FILE**. Once you have done so, the following message (Figure 37 Template generation notification) should appear.

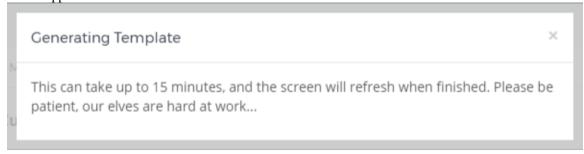


Figure 37 Template generation notification

Please wait for the elves. They are hard workers. When it's done, the page will refresh, and the file should be in your templates folder to run (3.8).

#### 3.6 Generating a Historical Simulation File

A pull-down menu will activate when "Utilities" is clicked on the left frame. Be sure to click "Historical Weather Template Wizard" as highlighted in Figure 38 Historical weather template wizard link

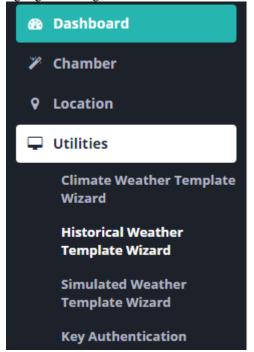


Figure 38 Historical weather template wizard

When the page loads, you should see your selected chamber and selected latitude and longitude of your chamber (Figure 31 Chamber setup review). If you don't, please revisit 3.2 and 3.3. After these options, you should see an option to choose a time range (Figure 24 Choosing a time period) and year of the simulation (Figure 39 Historical Year). Unlike in the climate change simulation (3.5), the historical year is simply the actual data from that given year.



Figure 39 Historical Year

Be aware that the years and locations available change drastically depending on your choices (e.g., the 1940s will probably not be available for Europe).

Because of this, a "generation preference" option is given (Figure 40 Generation preference) to balance data availability concerns yet maintain exact historical data. This gives you the option to prioritize by year or location. Some locations may have a long yearly historical record, but the recording station may have moved many times over the years. This is a case in which you will want to make sure to choose the exact year. Other locations may have sparse recording stations, and therefore you will want to choose the nearest one to avoid dramatic location shifts.

# Generation Preference Find nearest location to exact year Find nearest location to exact year Find nearest location to exact year Find nearest time to closest exact region

Figure 40 Generation preference

If you are not satisfied with the year range available, be aware of what might have been happening in that location in history, and try choosing areas near large population centers. Also keep in mind that although there is data going as far back as 1806, that it gets much sparser as you go back to these periods in time.

Once you have chosen a year range, you must choose an interpolation level (Figure 34 Daily interpolation accuracy). The instructions to do so are the same as in 3.5.

With this completed, you must now choose a humidity option (Figure 41 Humidity option).

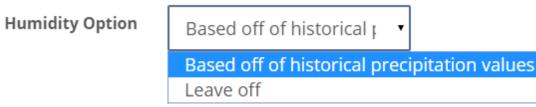


Figure 41 Humidity option

Because many historical weather stations did not and still to this day do not have RH data, we allow an RH calculation to take place based on the historical precipitation data. If you do not like this approximation, or wish to ignore the RH calculations, then choose "Leave off" in order to ignore humidity control and focus solely on temperature control for your simulated run. For more information on manipulating the resulting simulation files, see 3.8.

When you are done, press the "Generate Program" button. **BE WARNED, WHEN YOU DO THIS, IT WILL TAKE SOME TIME TO GENERATE THE CLIMATE CHANGE SIMULATION FILE**.

Once you have done so, the generating template message (Figure 37 Template generation notification) should appear. Again, please wait for the elves. They are hard workers. When it's done, the page will refresh, and the file should be in your templates folder to run (3.8).

#### 3.7 Generating a Climatology Simulation File

A pull-down menu will activate when "Utilities" is clicked on the left frame. Be sure to click "Simulated Weather Template Wizard" as highlighted in Figure 42 Simulated weather template wizard link

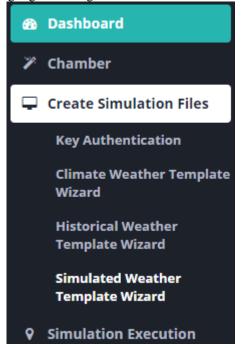


Figure 42 Simulated weather template wizard

When the page loads, you should see your selected chamber and selected latitude and longitude of your chamber (Figure 31 Chamber setup review). If you don't, please revisit 3.2 and 3.3.

The simulated weather calculates an average climatology based on the location you chose. Therefore, you need only to choose a date range within the year to simulate (Figure 32 Choosing a time period).

Like in the historical weather template generation (3.6), once you have chosen a date range, you must now choose an interpolation level (Figure 34 Daily interpolation accuracy) and then humidity option (Figure 41 Humidity option).

Because the climatological calculations are based off of historical data, the same caveats apply as in 3.7. Many places do not have access to RH data, and calculations may take place based on precipitation data instead. If you do not like this approximation, or wish to ignore the RH calculations, then choose "Leave off" in order to ignore humidity control and focus solely on temperature control for your simulated run. For more information on manipulating the resulting simulation files, see 3.8.

When you are done, press the "Generate Program" button. **BE WARNED, WHEN YOU DO THIS, IT WILL TAKE SOME TIME TO GENERATE THE CLIMATE CHANGE SIMULATION FILE**.

Once you have done so, the generating template message (Figure 37 Template generation notification) should appear. Yet again, these poor elves, please wait for them. We're their only source of employment when Santa is not employing them. They are hard workers. When it's done, the page will refresh, and the file should be in your templates folder to run (3.8).

#### 3.8 Running WeatherEze

Be sure to click "Simulation Execution" as highlighted in Figure 43 Simulation run link

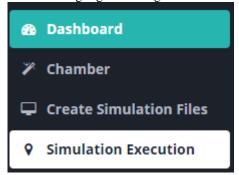


Figure 43 Simulation run

When the page loads, if you see the following message (Figure 44 Simulation connection error), you should revisit 3.2, or check the physical communications to the chamber.

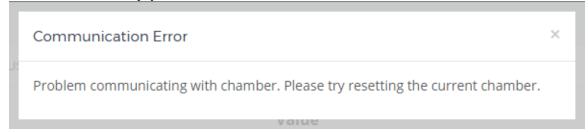


Figure 44 Simulation connection error

If you see the following message (Figure 45 Simulation mode error), **check that you have no valuable experiments running on the chamber's controller's program**. This signals that WeatherEze is overrunning your program mode and switching to manual mode.

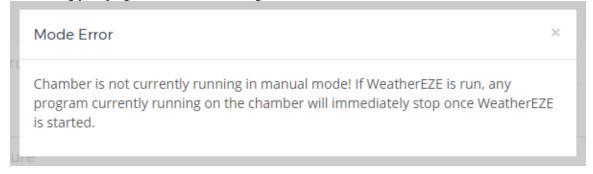


Figure 45 Simulation mode error

Otherwise, you should see two icons (Figure 46 Simulation type icons).

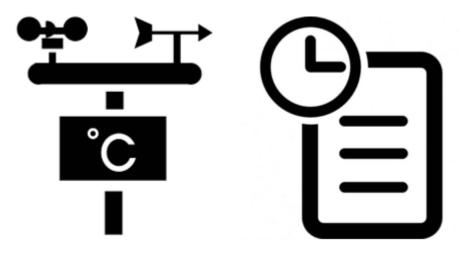


Figure 46 Simulation type icons

These are meant to indicate whether you want to run a real-time simulation, or load a simulation from one of the weather simulation files you generated (see 3.5-3.7). If you wish to run a real-time weather simulation, then simply click the "Run Real-Time Simulation" button, and wait sixty seconds for the chamber to initialize. Once you have done so, you should be redirected to the Dashboard (30). Once you have a simulation running, if you wish to stop it navigate back to the "Simulation Execution" page (Figure 43 Simulation run). You should see the same screen only with the "Stop Simulation" button displayed on the bottom. This indicates that you are currently running a real-time weather simulation based on METAR data (or based on a simulation file). For more data about your run, you can either view your chamber data through our PercivalConnect solution, or a more limited view is available on the dashboard (see 3.9). During the time the chamber is running, a flag will be switched which will disable commands on the panel overlay of the chamber, if at any time you wish to reset this flag and/or stop the simulation, come back to this page of the software and click the "Stop Simulation" button. If you wish to use one of the simulation files you have generated, then click the "Choose File" button. Once you have done so, navigate to either where you installed WeatherEze (see 2.4) and in the www/Templates folder, or go to the Templates folder shortcut that should have been installed in your Documents folder (Figure 47 Opening a simulation file).

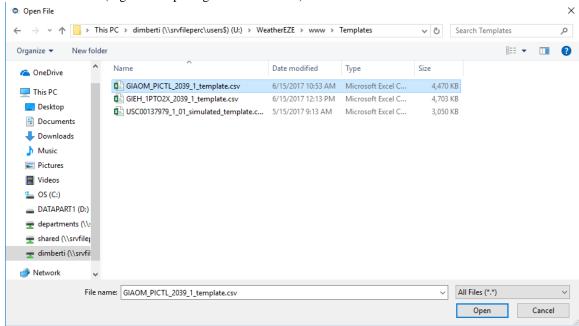


Figure 47 Opening a simulation file

Be sure to choose one of the templates you have generated, and click the Open button.

Once you have done so, the "Run Real-Time Simulation" button should have disappeared and been replaced by the "Run Model Simulation" button. Click this to run your simulation.

It should be noted that if any part of the simulation file does not appeal to you, you can change it may

It should be noted that if any part of the simulation file does not appeal to you, you can change it manually. You can open the simulation files with Libre Office (or any spreadsheet editor of your choice) since they are csv files (Figure 48 Editing a simulation file).

Α	В	C	D	E	F	G	Н	I
-8.02669	81.47549	172.1733	1023.707	-10.6349	0	0	0	0.001661

Figure 48 Editing a simulation file

Column "A" indicates the temperature in Centigrade, "B" the RH, C the CO2 level in ppm, "D" is the pressure in hPa (used for light calculations), "E" is the dew point in Centigrade, "F" is the hour of the simulation, "G" the minute, and "H" the second. "I" is the specific humidity, but is not necessarily needed. If you see an 'x' value in the RH or CO2, this means that those values are not being simulated in the chamber, and left to their ambient values. Otherwise, if you wish to merge two months together, or manually edit your simulation files, you may do so as long as they remain in this format.

#### 3.9 Dashboard Overview

To access the dashboard, click the dashboard icon on the menu on the left hand side (Figure 49 Dashboard link).

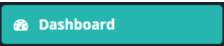


Figure 49 Dashboard link

When the page loads, if you see the following message (Figure 50 Dashboard communication error), you should revisit 3.2, check the physical communications to the chamber, or try again.

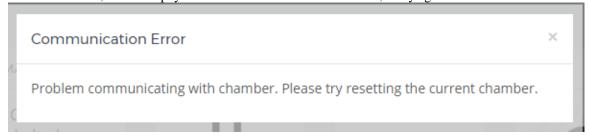


Figure 50 Dashboard communication error

This message is coupled with the chamber information box (Figure 51 Dashboard communication box) giving a similar message.

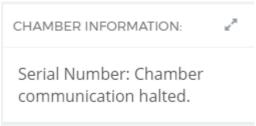


Figure 51 Dashboard communication box

Otherwise, along the top line of your dashboard you should see current information regarding your chamber (Figure 52 Dashboard information).



Figure 52 Dashboard information

The first panel (Figure 53 Chamber serial number) displays the serial number of the currently selected (3.2) chamber.

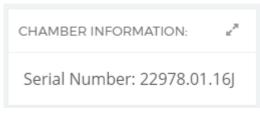


Figure 53 Chamber serial number

The next panel to the right displays current temperature information (Figure 54 Chamber temperature). Above the SP label is the current temperature in the chamber, and beside the SP label is the current Temperature Set Point of the chamber.



Figure 54 Chamber temperature

The next panel to the right displays current RH information (Figure 55 Chamber RH) if available. Above the SP label is the current RH in the chamber, and beside the SP label is the current RH Set Point of the chamber.

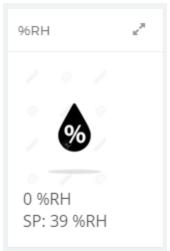


Figure 55 Chamber RH

The next panel to the right displays current CO<sub>2</sub> information (Figure 56 Chamber CO<sub>2</sub>) if available. Above the SP label is the current CO<sub>2</sub> in the chamber, and beside the SP label is the current CO<sub>2</sub> Set Point of the chamber.

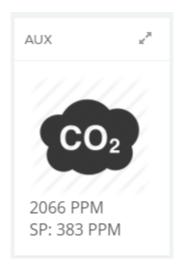


Figure 56 Chamber CO2

The next panel to the right displays the current lighting information (Figure 57 Chamber lighting, currently all off). It simply indicates whether all lights are on, off, or some light events are on/partially dimmed.



Figure 57 Chamber lighting, currently all off

Finally, below this row of information is a quick overview graph of roughly the past day of information or when the simulation started, whichever is shortest. If you do not see the graph, you might need to run a simulation, or wait a few more minutes for the first few updates from the controller. Otherwise, simply try reopening the dashboard page to see if the graph loads. Otherwise, the PercivalConnect option maintains a separate and permanent running database of chamber outputs.

Otherwise, the graph should look something like Figure 58 Chamber graph

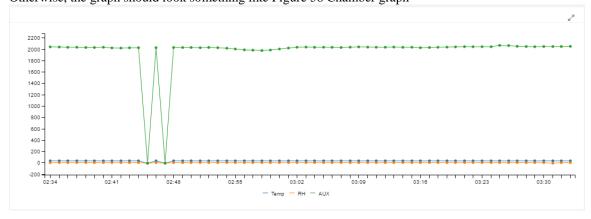


Figure 58 Chamber graph

Universal '-10' values indicate a communication hiccup in the system. For example, in Figure 58 Chamber graph the chamber was turned off twice so there was no data available for that period of time. Otherwise, separate graphs are displayed for Temperature, RH, and whatever you happened to have installed on your Aux sensor if you happen to have one (for the chamber in Figure 58 Chamber graph, we have CO<sub>2</sub> hooked up to our Aux). In order to filter out and select only one graph, click on the line(s) you want to hide (Figure 59 Selecting a subset).

- Temp - RH - AUX

Figure 59 Selecting a subset

Once you have done so, you will only see graphs of whichever sensor you want (Figure 60 Temperature selection only).

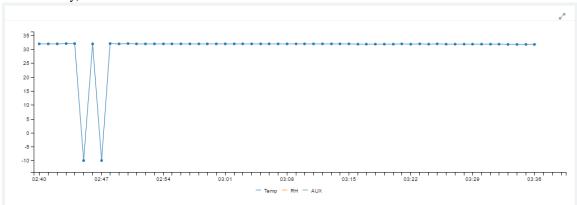


Figure 60 Temperature selection only

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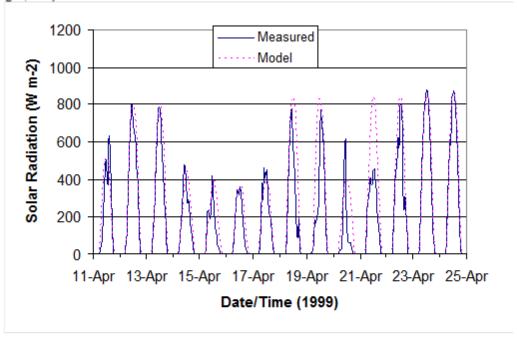
# **A** Additional Information

## A.1 Introduction to Lighting Quality/Intensity

## A.1.1 Calculating Solar Spectra

The most important factor for plant growth is light quantity and quality. The main models utilized within this software were SolarCalQ and SolarCalc (Spokas and Forcella, 2006). SolarCalQ simulates the spectral quality of incident solar radiation for any location on the globe, down to one-minute intervals. SolarCalQ is an adaptation of existing NREL (National Renewable Energy Laboratory) solar spectral quality (Bird and Riordan 1984, 1986) and solar position models (Reda and Andreas, 2003), with significant modifications that are outlined below. The solar position model of Reda and Andreas (2003) has been shown to be accurate within the time period from the year -2000 to 6000, with uncertainties of +/- 0.0003 degrees in the solar zenith and azimuth angles based on the date, time, and location on the Earth. The daily temperature variability (either simulated or real-time) was used within the SolarCalc program to calculate the intensity of the incident radiation. SolarCalc provides a more realistic approximation of total incident radiation, as shown in Figure 61 Comparison of hourly SolarCalc prediction of total incoming radiation for two sites: a) Fargo, ND and b) North Ryde, Sydney Australia. Other comparisons and further statistical validation can be found in Spokas and Forcella (2006).. Other comparisons and further statistical validation can be found in Spokas and Forcella (2006). This calculated intensity was then utilized to correctly scale the output of the solar quality model (SolarCalQ). An empirical model for total precipitable water vapor based upon the Liebe (1989) model for estimating total water vapor from surface relative humidity and surface temperatures (either simulated or real-time) was utilized to predict the value of the precipitable water vapor as input into the spectral quality model. Additional empirical models for ozone concentration and atmospheric optical depth (or aerosol optical depth) were also utilized as inputs into the spectral

calculation. Spectral intensity is predicted in raw intensity units (W m um ). The wavelength spacing is irregular, covering 52 wavelengths from 305 nm to 800 nm.



## b) Australia (2000)

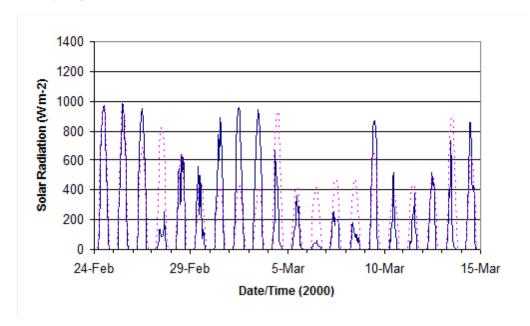


Figure 61 Comparison of hourly SolarCalc prediction of total incoming radiation for two sites: a) Fargo, ND and b) North Ryde, Sydney Australia. Other comparisons and further statistical validation can be found in Spokas and Forcella (2006).

# A.1.2 Light Fitting Algorithms

With the spectrum to be matched made, all is left is the calculation to try to match that spectrum. A brief explanation of each method we use to match the spectra, and their advantages and disadvantages are as follows:

1- Peak

This method attempts to fit the local maxima (peaks) of the constructed light curve to the Sun's light curve. The fit is done in order of the variability of each light source, and due to this variability, an exact peak match is still not possible. However, it will try to do so. Also, because the peak of the constructed curve is fitted to the Sun's light spectra, the overall light intensity will tend to be underestimated.

## 2- Trough

This method does exactly what the peak algorithm does, except instead of trying to fit the local maximas, it tries to fit the local minimas (troughs) of the constructed light curve to the Sun's spectra. Because of this, it will tend to overestimate the light intensity.

#### 3- LEDPeak

Unlike the Peak algorithm, this method does not take into account the different spectras' variability, and does a very straightforward matching of the global maxima of each light source spectra to the sun's spectra at the wavelength where the global maximum is obtained. Because LED light spectra tend to have one very clearly defined peak, it is suggested to use this method if you have LED lighting controls, as it will automatically be called if you have any LEDs.

#### 4- L1

This method attempts to minimize the L1 norm error between the constructed light source spectra and the Sun's spectrum using a linear programming approach. It tends to match the overall intensity a little better, but the quality of the spectra at each point not so much.

#### 5- I.2

This method attempts to minimize the L2 norm error between the constructed light source spectra and the Sun's spectrum using a linear programming approach. It tends to match the overall spectral quality a little better, but the intensity of the spectra at each point not so much.

#### 6- LLS

This method attempts a straightforward truncated Linear Least Squares solution to the problem. It is suggested to not use this method if you have two of the same type of bulb in different events, or if you have two different lights of very different intensities.

## 7- Spectral Ratio

This method applies a dot product of the normalized spectral quantities of the light bulb and Sun spectra in order to determine dimming percentages. Because of this, it emphasizes the quality of the light spectra much more than the intensity over any other method listed here.

## 8- Simple Scaling

This method ignores the spectral information in the software, and simply scales every light (after which a rounding is applied for on/off lights), given their maximum intensity information, to try to match the  $\mu$ mol intensity of the Sun in the PAR.

In general the software uses the following flowchart for deciding which lighting control to use (Figure 62 Lighting algorithm flowchart):

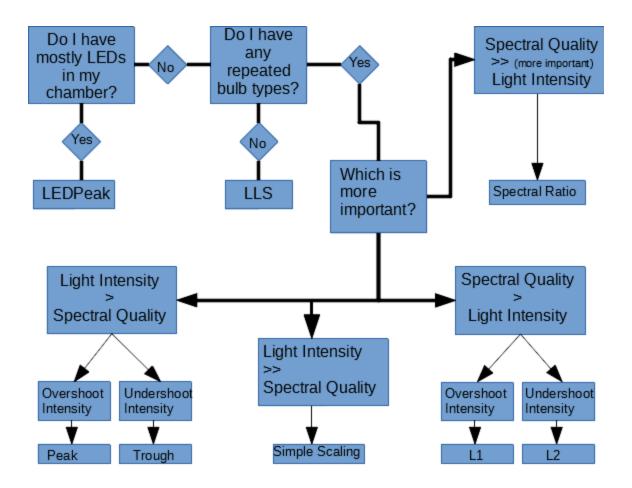


Figure 62 Lighting algorithm flowchart

## A.1.3 Light Measurement

There can be a lot of confusion about the various methods of measuring light irradiance as well as the spectral quality of incident radiation. This section outlines some of the common units (as well as the units used in within this software) to provide an overview on these topics.

Visible light is a particular region of the electromagnetic (EM) spectrum, which is the range of all possible

electromagnetic radiation, from radio waves (wavelength  $\approx 1000$  meters) to gamma rays (wavelength  $\approx 10$ 

meters). Scientifically, light refers to the entire EM spectrum, whereas visible light refers to the region of the EM spectrum that our human eye is sensitive to (between approximately 400 nm and 700 nm). An interactive-graphical overview of the EM spectrum can be found at:

#### http://www.e-builds.com/EM%20spectrum/.

Several measurement devices exist for light irradiance (intensity) measurements. This is in part due to the historical development of the various light measuring devices. Consequentially, different light meters measure in different units and each device can be measuring different portions of the solar spectrum. A very comprehensive glossary of solar irradiance terms can be found at:

- 1) <a href="http://rredc.nrel.gov/solar/glossary/">http://rredc.nrel.gov/solar/glossary/</a> and
- 2) http://imagine.gsfc.nasa.gov/docs/science/know\_11/emspectrum.html.

Below is a summary of some of the major units of solar irradiance that are typically encountered:

<u>Footcandle</u> - A footcandle is the measure of the amount of light projected on the inside of a sphere one foot from a standard wax candle. A foot candle is assigned equal to one lumen per square foot. Devices that measure footcandles are typically sensors that are used to determine building lighting needs and sensors that are used in the photography industry. Therefore, these devices are sensitive to the spectrum that the human eye is able to detect (visible spectrum). These measurement devices are still used in the greenhouse industry.

<u>Watts per Meter Squared (W⋅m</u>) - This is a total energy of the incident radiation. This unit unlike Footcandle and PAR (below) measures the entire spectrum of sunlight.

<u>PAR</u> – Photosynthetically Active Radiation - Refers to the portion of the solar spectrum that is important to photosynthesis in plants. The sensor measures radiation between 400 and 700 nm, -2 -1

and outputs the irradiance in units of  $\mu mole~m~s~$  . Different plant species can have different absorption spectrums depending on the mix of photoreceptors present in the leaves, but a majority of the absorption is within the 400 to 700 nm region.

## A.1.4 Spectral Quality (i.e. Spectral Colors)

Spectral quality of incident radiation refers to the wavelength (color) distribution of the radiation (light). The typical unit of measure for wavelength is the nanometer (nm). Artificial light bulbs emit radiation with various unique spectral quality signatures (or colors, see Appendix B) as a function of the mechanism used to produce the light. The solar radiation from the sun emits all known wavelengths from a single source, but humans can see only a small portion of this total spectrum (visible light). The wavelength of radiation is related to the amount of energy each wavelength possesses. In other words, the higher (longer) the wavelength results in EM radiation of lower energy compared to the shorter wavelengths. So, the short wavelengths contain a "bigger punch" (more energy) and hence the danger from UV radiation to human skin.

# A.2 Timing Issues when Running a Long-Term Simulation (Longer than 6 months)

Every effort has been made in the programming of WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> to provide the most accurate chamber control. However, with each update there are milliseconds that are lost due to software execution delays. These 1-5 millisecond delays keep adding up during the course of a simulation. The user can visualize if the chamber is updated every minute, this could lead to larger timing differences between the real-world time and the simulation time as days, weeks and months elapse. As an example, the simulator could be off by 7 seconds (or more) each day. This therefore could add up to more significant delays the longer the simulation is running. There is currently no remedy for this delay. These timing issues solely impact the simulation mode of the software. The real-time mode does not experience these cumulative timing errors.

# A.3 Introduction to CO<sub>2</sub> Control

The longest continual record of CO<sub>2</sub> observations has been made at the Mona Loa observation site located in Hawaii at an elevation of 3397 m above mean sea level (Figure 63 Mona Loa CO<sub>2</sub> data. Graphic taken from source: NOAA http://www.esrl.noaa.gov/gmd/ccgg/trends/).). The current value for this station is considered the average CO<sub>2</sub> concentration in the middle layers of the troposphere.

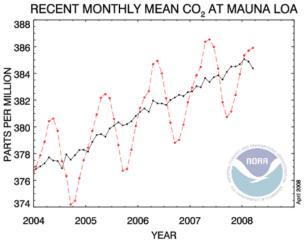


Figure 63 Mona Loa CO2 data. Graphic taken from source: NOAA http://www.esrl.noaa.gov/gmd/ccgg/trends/).

However, this value may or may not be representative of surface conditions. Local building (laboratory)  $CO_2$  concentrations may be higher, particularly if the building is highly occupied or if additional sources of  $CO_2$  are present (e.g. propane/natural gas heaters). Guidelines in the US state that an indoor value of 800-1000 ppm above outside air indicates poor building circulation (approximately 1200 - 1500 ppm absolute concentration). It is important to note that OSHA's permissible exposure limit for  $CO_2$  is 5000 ppm for an 8 hour day.

Variations in CO<sub>2</sub> are larger in the northern hemisphere than in the southern hemisphere (Keeling *et al.*, 1968). Empirical relationships were established for the latitudinal variability of the seasonal trends for global CO<sub>2</sub> concentrations (Bolin and Keeting, 1963). An example of this seasonal variation is shown in Figure 64 Seasonal variability of CO<sub>2</sub> concentration from Bolin and Keeting (1963) for the 45N latitude..

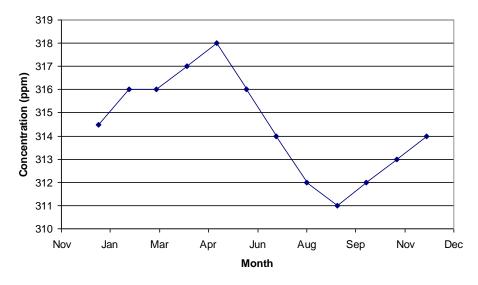


Figure 64 Seasonal variability of CO<sub>2</sub> concentration from Bolin and Keeting (1963) for the 45N latitude.

These geographical relationships are embedded within WeatherEze™. Please refer to Section 4.4 (CO<sub>2</sub> Tab) for information on adjusting diurnal variability. Diurnal fluctuations in excess of 300 ppm CO<sub>2</sub> have been reported (e.g. Keeling, 1961).

Figure 65 illustrates changes in the curve utilizing a variety of diurnal variability settings.

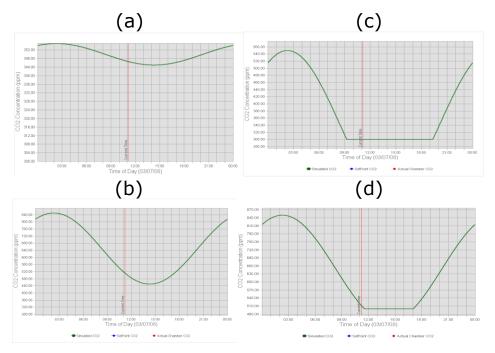


Figure 65 Illustrations of different CO2 scenarios: (a) average CO2= 350 ppm, minimum CO2 value = 300 ppm, amplitude = 5 ppm, (b) average CO2 = 600 ppm, minimum CO2 value = 300 ppm, amplitude = 200 ppm, (c) average CO2 = 350 ppm, minimum CO2 value = 300 ppm, amplitude = 200 ppm, and (d) average CO2 = 600 ppm, minimum CO2 value = 500 ppm, amplitude = 200 ppm.

# A.4 METAR Information

Meteorological Aeronautical Report (METAR) data from surface stations is the source of real-time weather data. METAR is the international standard code format for surface weather observations, typically taken at airports throughout the world. METAR data allows real-time data (typically with hourly updates) to be used for temperature control of the chamber. Figure 66 Location of METAR reporting locations worldwide below illustrates the distribution of METAR stations worldwide. As seen in the figure, the density of stations is the highest in the United States and Europe. For additional information on METAR data and its format, please see the following link:

http://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/oa/wdc/metar/index.php?name=faq.

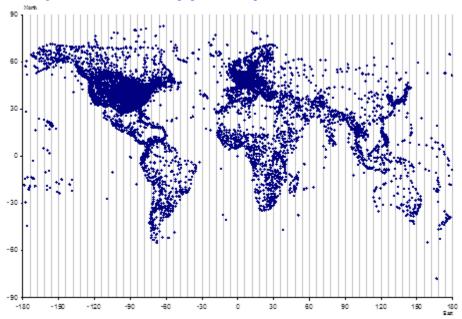


Figure 66 Location of METAR reporting locations

# A.5 Weather Interpolations

Many things in nature are periodic. Air temperature is a good example, both on annual and daily time scales. Often air and soil temperatures are represented by simple sinusoidal functions (Hilel, 1982; Marshall and Holmes, 1988).

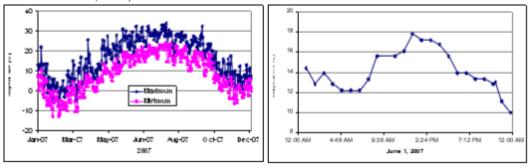


Figure 67 Illustration of annual temperature wave for New York JFK, New York (Airport) for 2007 and the daily temperature wave for June 1, 2007

For a daily time scale. There are three options within WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup> to extrapolate values for air temperatures. These are denoted in the software as "Coarse" to "Fine" in order to aid in everyday use. However, each level uses a slightly different formula with different pros and cons.

## 1. Sinusoidal Temperature Wave (Coarse)

A sinusoidal temperature pattern was established through the following formula:

$$Temp_{current} = T_{avg} - \sin(Time_{\min} * 0.0000727 * 60)$$

Where  $T_{avg}$  is the average daily temperature and Time<sub>min</sub> is the elapsed minutes since midnight. The first is a very simplistic sinusoidal estimation for maximum temperature at noon, and the minimum temperature occurring at 6am at the site, regardless of the sunrise/sunset timings at the site. This is a very crude estimation of the diurnal temperature cycle for a site.

## 2. Cesaraccio et al. (2001) Model (Inbetween)

Within WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup>, the model of Cesaraccio et al. (2001) was chosen to represent a more accurate diurnal temperature pattern. Daily temperature cycles are not truly symmetric sinusoidal curves. Cesaraccio et al. (2001) developed an empirical model that estimates hourly temperatures from daily maximum and minimum temperatures. The Cesaraccio model depicts the diurnal temperature wave as a sine function from the minimum temperature at sunrise to the time the maximum temperature is reached, followed by a subsequent sine wave that starts at the maximum temperature occurrence until sunset. A square-root function is used for describing the temperature fluctuation occurring between sunset and sunrise the next morning.

This model has proved to be superior to other existing models for degree-day calculations. The maximum error in the extrapolation of hourly temperatures from the daily records did not exceed

3 C, and a majority of times the root mean square error was below 2 C for the sites evaluated (Cesaraccio et al., 2001).

## 3. Newton Cooling (Fine)

The model of Parton et al. (1981) was chosen to represent surface and soil cooling. This model follows a daily sinusoidal pattern, but at night follows an exponential heat decay pattern. This has issues with achieving the same kind of thermal matching that the Cesaraccio model achieves, but may be used to better model an exponential heat loss decay.

The comparison of the three simulations in WeatherEze™ is shown in Figure 68 from 505 Research Dr., Perry, IA (June 2, 1961), comparing the temperature simulations for extrapolation of minutely temperatures from daily maximum and minimum values.

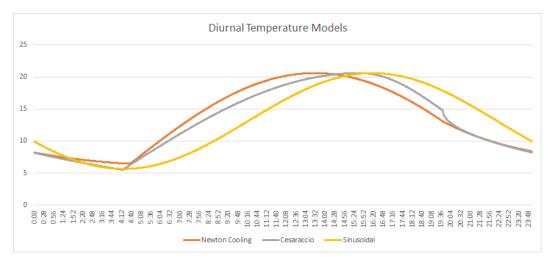


Figure 68 Illustration of air temperatures from Perry, IA (June 2, 1961), comparing the temperature simulations for extrapolation of minutely temperatures from daily maximum and minimum values.

Often times, a different type of interpolation is needed for annual time scales. Because weather data can be so numerous or infrequent, typically only monthly averages will be given (e.g., many IPCC datasets). Therefore, a different kind of interpolation is needed to extract the individual daily averages. One kind of seasonal interpolation was already discussed in A.3. For other weather phenomena, we use the fact that seasonal variations are periodic, and therefore we assume the phenomena follows the form of some trigonometric polynomial of the form

$$a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{K} a_k \cos(kx) + \sum_{k=1}^{K} b_k \sin(kx)$$

and use a trigonometric interpolation algorithm so that December 31<sup>st</sup> data will merge into January 1<sup>st</sup> data as best as possible. The most common trigonometric interpolation algorithms assume equispaced nodes, therefore the 365 days of the year are divided into 12 equally spaced points and at those points it is assumed that the monthly averages take place.

#### Climate Change Data A.6

The climate change data is based mainly off of the IPCC AR4 data available here:

http://www.ipcc-data.org/sim/gcm\_clim/SRES\_AR4/index.html

However, where possible, AR3 data may be used to fill in gaps in the data and when available (if available to the public), AR5 SRES scenario data can be incorporated into the software in the future. As of this writing, there are 21 different models, and each of these models have the following main differences:

Originary agency

Resolution of the latitude/longitude grid

Availability of SRES scenarios

Availability of pressure/specific humidity/precipitation data

We will go through each of these in turn to help you make your choice. If you have any particular agency preference, Table 1 is a table indicating the model with the corresponding participating agency or agencies responsible for that model. Percival Scientific does not vouch for the accuracy of any one agencies' model over any other.

BCCR:BCC-CM1 Beijing Climate Center-China

BCCR:BCM2 Bjerknes Centre for Climate Research-Norway

CCCMA:CGCM3 1-

Canadian Centre for Climate Modeling and Analysis-Canada T63

Meteorological Institute of the University of Bonn (Germany)-Institute of CONS:ECHO-G

KMA (Korea)-Model and Data Group

CNRM:CM3 Centre National de Recherches Meteorologiques-France

Australia CSIRO:MK3

GFDL:CM2 Geophysical Fluid Dynamics Laboratory NOAA-U.S.A. Geophysical Fluid Dynamics Laboratory NOAA-U.S.A. GFDL:CM2\_1

INM:CM3 Institute of Numerical Mathematics Russian Academy of Science-Russia

IPSL:CM4 Institut Pierre Simon Laplace-France

LASG:FGOALS-

Institute of Atmospheric Physics Chinese Academy of Sciences-China G1 0

Goddard Institute for Space Studies National Air and Space Administration-NASA:GISS-AOM

U.S.A.

Goddard Institute for Space Studies National Air and Space Administration-NASA:GISS-EH

U.S.A.

Goddard Institute for Space Studies National Air and Space Administration-NASA:GISS-ER

U.S.A.

NCAR:CCSM3 National Center for Atmospheric Research-U.S.A.

National Center for Atmospheric Research-National Science Foundation-

NCAR:PCM Department of Energy-National Air and Space Administration-NOAA-

U.S.A.

NIES:MIROC3\_2-HI CCSR/NIES/FRCGC Japan

NIES:MIROC3 2-MED

CCSR/NIES/FRCGC Japan

MPIM:ECHAM5 Max Planck Institute for Meteorology-Germany

Meteorological Research Institute Japan Meteorological Agency-Japan MRI:CGCM2 3 2

Hadley Centre for Climate Prediction and Research-Met Office-United UKMO:HADCM3

Kingdom

## Table 1 Participating AR4 IPCC Agencies

The resolution of the grid is a very subtle factor. Because the software uses the nearest grid points available from the model, you may end up placing your simulation in a different spot than you expect. For example, if you place your experiment in Iowa but the nearest resolution of grid point is in Minnesota, you will end up with colder temperatures than you might have been expecting. Table 2 is a table roughly indicating the maximum resolution of each model.

BCCR:BCC-CM1 1.875x1.875 BCCR:BCM2 1.5x1.5 CCCMA:CGCM3\_1-T631.4x0.9 CONS:ECHO-G 2x2 CNRM:CM3 1x2 CSIRO:MK3 0.84x1.875 GFDL:CM2 1x1 GFDL:CM2\_1 1x1 INM:CM3 2.5x2 IPSL:CM4 2.5x3.75 LASG:FGOALS-G1\_0 2.8x2.8 NASA:GISS-AOM 3x4 NASA:GISS-EH 4x5 NASA:GISS-ER 4x5 NCAR:CCSM3 1.125x1 NCAR:PCM 0.26x1 NIES:MIROC3 2-HI 0.1875x0.28125 NIES:MIROC3 2-MED 1.4x1.4 MPIM:ECHAM5 1.5x1.5 MRI:CGCM2\_3\_2 2x2.5 UKMO:HADCM3 1.25x1.25

#### Table 2 Model Resolutions

Each model studies a certain selection of the available emission models. The different emissions scenarios are discussed in further detail on the IPCC website here <a href="http://www.ipcc-data.org/sim/gcm\_clim/SRES\_TAR/ddc\_sres\_emissions.html">http://www.ipcc-data.org/sim/gcm\_clim/SRES\_TAR/ddc\_sres\_emissions.html</a>. Aside from the fact that these different scenarios will influence air temperature, specific humidity, and air pressure measurements from each model, as far as the chamber is concerned, this will have the most immediate impact on your CO2 usage. In order to have some idea of the CO2 levels in the chamber for each of the currently seven different emissions scenarios available, please refer to Table 3.

	2039	2069	2099
SRA2	419.33	534	701.33
SRB1	412.33	486.67	535.67
SRA1B	421.67	531.67	648.33
1PTO2X	398	536	540
1PTO4X	398	536	723
PICTL	270	270	270
COMMIT	369	369	369
No scenario	400	400	400

Table 3 Average CO2 ppm use by chamber

In order to note which models use which scenarios, please note Table 4.

Model	SRA2	SRB1	SRA1E	31PTO2X	1PTO4X	PICTL	.COMMIT
BCCR:BCC-CM1	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
BCCR:BCM2	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
CCCMA:CGCM3_1-T63	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No
CONS:ECHO-G	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
CNRM:CM3	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
CSIRO:MK3	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes

GFDL:CM2	Yes						
GFDL:CM2_1	Yes						
INM:CM3	Yes						
IPSL:CM4	Yes						
LASG:FGOALS-G1_0	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
NASA:GISS-AOM	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No
NASA:GISS-EH	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
NASA:GISS-ER	Yes						
NCAR:CCSM3	Yes						
NCAR:PCM	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
NIES:MIROC3_2-HI	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
NIES:MIROC3_2-MED	Yes						
MPIM:ECHAM5	Yes						
MRI:CGCM2_3_2	Yes						
UKMO:HADCM3	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes

## Table 4 Scenario availability

Finally, we note the availability of specific humidity and pressure data. This is probably the most immediately important factor. Specific humidity will modify RH controls in your chamber if you have them, and air pressure will subtly influence lighting events in your chamber. If either do not exist, the software will default to the NASA:GISS-EH model and standard atmospheric pressure unless you edit your files manually or choose to not include RH controls. Table 5 Is a table indicating whether all scenarios that are available to that model has pressure and specific humidity, some available scenarios have either, or whether it has neither.

Model	Specific Humidity Availability	Pressure Availability
BCCR:BCC-CM1	None	All
BCCR:BCM2	All	All
CCCMA:CGCM3_1-T63	BAII	All
CONS:ECHO-G	None	All
CNRM:CM3	All	All
CSIRO:MK3	None	All except SRA2
GFDL:CM2	None	All
GFDL:CM2_1	None	All
INM:CM3	All	All
IPSL:CM4	All except 1PTO4X	All
LASG:FGOALS-G1_0	All	All
NASA:GISS-AOM	All	All
NASA:GISS-EH	All	All
NASA:GISS-ER	All except SRB1	All
NCAR:CCSM3	All	All
NCAR:PCM	None	All
NIES:MIROC3_2-HI	All	All
NIES:MIROC3_2-MED	All	All
MPIM:ECHAM5	None	All
MRI:CGCM2_3_2	All	All
UKMO:HADCM3	All except PICTL and SRA2	All

Table 5 Auxiliary Model Data Availability

# **B** Spectral Library within WeatherEze

This appendix lists the included light bulb reference spectra within WeatherEze<sup>TM</sup>. At the end of this section, we list graphs of the light spectra of each of our most common bulb types at the 52 discrete wavelengths according to the Bird model. To begin with, we give a quick primer if you want to add your own bulbs or tailor and calibrate your own spectral bulb spectra.

Adding a bulb spectra is meant for advanced users, and may have unknown effects on solar calculations. Custom set-ups are run at your own risk.

To add a bulb spectra, navigate to the www/backgroundScripts folder of your installation. There you should see a csv file entitled "birdLightDatabase." If you open this file, you should see something like Figure 69 Custom bulb table.

New Hender from		A	В	C	D	E	F
FLUCRESCENT T5. WHITE F54T5HO 841 BY GE (ELA-100)	1	Wavelength (nm)	0.3	0.305	0.31	0.315	0
Full ORESCENT FFO. SHITE F43THO 841 WHITE BY PHILIPS (ELA-096)   0.00010473   0.00010470   0.000308707   0.00036707   0.00010415   0.0001047   0.00030829   0.000940829   0.000940829	2	FLUORESCENT T8 - WHITE 841 (ELA-039-041-056)	2.36973204506786E-05	1.79902495827214E-05	0.000561471813519	7.64641931007533E-05	7.58473408542649E
S   INCANDESCENT FRONTED 15 W   0	3	FLUORESCENT T5 - WHITE F54T5HO 841 BY GE (ELA-100)	0.000159012	7.90869E-05	0.00120003	0.000109628	0.0002099
S   INCANDESCENT FRONTED 15 W   0	4	FLUORESCENT T5 - WHITE F54T5HO 841 WHITE BY PHILIPS (ELA-096)	0.000108748	0.000109579	0.000366797	0.000216116	0.0001047
To   IED   PERCIVAL BAR] RED	5		0	4.00716E-05	3.54395E-05	0	
To   IED   PERCIVAL BAR] RED	6	LED (PERCIVAL BAR) COOL WHITE	0.000930829	0.000930829	0.000930829	0.000930829	0.0009308
B   LED   PERCIVAL BAR)   ELUE	7		0	0	0	0	
DED   PERCIVAL BAR) FAR RED	8		0.000819967	0.000936509	0.000971993	0.000992866	0.0010158
10   LED LC FORCHO, REDNEAR RED)	9						
11 LD CLF GROLED ( REDHAR RED)	10				0.000252456		
12   Halogen Clear (29W)	11				0		
13   Holgen Clear (43 W)	12		9.76765E-05	0.000103305	6.09283E-05	2.94644E-05	5.95087E
Miles   Mile	13		1 9F-05	1 69F-05	9 67F-06	3 93311F-05	4 03452F
15   CMM 315W VENTURE 38821   6,62179338861382F-06   7.16661064963178F-06   1.40746052533798F-05   7.31563255674514F-06   1.98814441134327E	14						
To COMPACT FLUORESCENT - BLIACK 13W FEIT BPRSL13TB	15		6.62179335853832F-06	7.16661064963178F-06	1.40746052533799F-05	7.31563255574514F-06	1.95814441134327F
TOMPACT FLUORESCENT - BLUE 13W FEIT BPRSL13TB							
18   COMPACT FLUORESCENT - ORANGE 13W FEIT BPRSL13TO	17						7.83353323997696F
COMPACT FLUORESCENT - IPED 13W FEIT BPRSL13TR	18						
COMPACT FLUORESCENT - UVA SYLVANIA CF13ELSUPERBLACK   0.000147899711774   0.000139493837034   9.61431990542197E-05   0.00016945820157   9.46644066803918E	19						
21 COMPACT FLUORESCENT - WHITE REVEAL 20W GEFLE20HT326HRVL	20						
COMPACT FLUORESCENT - WHITE REVEAL 20W GEFLE20HT326HRVL	21						
23 COMPACT FLUORESCENT - YELLOW 13W FEIT BPRSL13TR   0.000173   0.000181   0.000142   0.000258   0.0001   24 FLUORESCENT T5 - AGROMAX F54T5HO BLOOM SPECTRUM   0.000227145   0.00022023   0.002948931   0.000876083   0.0008031   25 FLUORESCENT T5 - BLUE F54T5HO BLUE BY SUNLITE   0.00021515   0.0001517   0.000264764   0.00026526   0.0002384   26 FLUORESCENT T5 - GREEN F54T5HO GREEN BY SUNLITE   0.000130546   5.81189E-05   0.001268795   0.00013113   0.00035167   0.00025875   0.00013113   0.00035168   0.001177   0.0001577   0.00025875   0.00013113   0.00035168   0.0001172   0.0001577   0.00025875   0.00013113   0.00035168   0.0001172   0.0001577   0.	22						
24   FLUORESCENT T5 - AGROMAX F54T5HO BLOOM SPECTRUM   0.000227145   0.00022023   0.002984931   0.000876063   0.0008035     25   FLUORESCENT T5 - BLUE F54T5HO BLUE BY SUNLITE   0.000130546   5.81189E-05   0.000128795   0.00013131   0.0003516     26   FLUORESCENT T5 - GREEN F54T5HO GREEN BY SUNLITE   0.000130546   5.81189E-05   0.001268795   0.00013131   0.0003516     27   FLUORESCENT T5 - MARINE BLUE F54T5HO (BLUE) BY GLO   0.000175332   0.000138131   0.000351968   0.000191172   0.0001573     28   FLUORESCENT T5 - BLUE DF54T5HO RED BY SUNLITE   0.000177441   0.0001119   0.000355525   0.000241655   0.0002142     29   FLUORESCENT T3 - BLUE PERCIVAL LAMP   0.000277441   0.0001741   0.00015917   0.000531304   0.00015918   0.00015917   0.000531304   0.00015918   0.00015918   0.00015918   0.00015918   0.00015918   0.00015918   0.00015918   0.00015918   0.00015918   0.00015918   0.00015918   0.00015918   0.00015918   0.00015918   0.0005555   0.0002465   0.0							
25   FLUORESCENT T5 - BLUE F54T5HO BLUE BY SUNLITE   0.0002015L5   0.00019017Z   0.000284764   0.000268266   0.0002384     26   FLUORESCENT T5 - GREEN F54T5HO GREEN BY SUNLITE   0.000130546   5.81189E-05   0.001268795   0.00013113   0.0003816     27   FLUORESCENT T5 - MARINE BLUE F54T5HO (BLUE) BY GLO   0.000175332   0.000138131   0.000351668   0.00013117   0.0001575     28   FLUORESCENT T5 - RED F54T5HO (RED BY SUNLITE   0.000277441   0.00031119   0.00035525   0.000241655   0.0001219     29   FLUORESCENT T8 - BLUE FPERCIVAL LAMP   0.00025525   0.000190481   0.000156907   0.000531304   0.0001591     30   FLUORESCENT T8 - FAR RED PERCIVAL LAMP   0.00025525   0.00014483   0.00116597   0.000531304   0.0001591     31   FLUORESCENT T8 - GROLITE NS   0.00015499   0.000159487   0.001376413   0.000592191   0.000253     32   FLUORESCENT T8 - RED PERCIVAL LAMP   9.74193E-05   0.000114475   0.000768997   0.000352457   0.000178     33   FLUORESCENT T8 - WALTE F35818 BY PROLUME (ELA-111)   0.000264709   0.000525562   0.000224677   0.000522754   0.00052567   0.000178   0.000522754   0.0005							
26							
27   LUORESCENT T5 - MARINE BLUF F54T5HO (BLUE) BY GLO   0.000175332   0.000138131   0.000351068   0.000191172   0.0001571	26						
28   FLUORESCENT T5 - RED F54T5HO RED BY SUNLITÉ   0.000217441   0.000311119   0.000355525   0.000241655   0.0002124	27						
29   LUORESCENT T8 - BLUF PERCIVAL LAMP   0.00205251   0.000190481   0.001156971   0.000531304   0.0002191							
10   10   10   10   10   10   10   10							
SECOND   S							
22   LUORESCENT T8 - RED PERCIVAL LAMP   9,74193E-05   0.00011475   0.000768987   0.000352457   0.0001378     33   FLUORESCENT T8 - UVA F3278BLB BY PROLUME (ELA-111)   0.000264709   0.000525562   0.000224677   0.000522754   0.0032547     34   FLUORESCENT T8 - UVB   0.0043723356   0.049089173   0.070438516   0.067002989   0.0650905     35   FLUORESCENT T8 - WHITE WITH UVB REPTISUN 5 (ELA-105)   0.001142017   0.003351171   0.009765686   0.014217682   0.0176255     36   FLUORESCENT TWIN T5 - WHITE F155W840 WHITE BY OSRAM (ELA-054)   0.00025067   0.000166224   5.82935E-05   0.000116457   0.0001602     37   HPS 200W (LUZOO SYLVANIA 67576)   4.49134E-05   0.00011025   8.95577E-05   8.66036E-05   0.00011453     38   LED T8 PHILIPS INSTANT FIT CODE 435086   0.000124312   0.000113584   0.000130594   0.000124312   0.000114312     39   LED T8 PHILIPS INSTANT FIT CODE 456913   7.25264E-05   9.26546E-05   0.000119625   0.000123378   9.70587E     40   Plasma Lighting   0.000275813   0.000395241   0.000629019   0.000722237   0.0009966     41   42   43   44   44   44   44   44   44							
St.   LIORESCENT T8 - UVA F32T8BLB BY PROLUME (ELA-111)   0.000264700   0.000252562   0.000224677   0.000522754   0.0032547   0.000522754   0.0032547   0.0005225662   0.000224677   0.000522754   0.0032547   0.0005225662   0.00024677   0.000522754   0.0032547   0.00052567   0.00052567   0.00052567   0.00052567   0.00052567   0.00052567   0.00052567   0.00052567   0.0005224   0.00052567   0.0005224   0.00052567   0.0005224   0.00052567   0.0005224   0.00052567   0.00052567   0.0005224   0.00052567   0.0005257							
23							
SECOND   S							
SE   LUORESCENT TWINT5 - WHITE FT55W840 WHITE BY OSRÂM (ELA-054)   0.000250857   0.000166224   5.82935E-05   0.000116457   0.00016037   14PS 200W (LU200 SYLVANIA 67576)   4.49134E-05   0.000110625   8.95577E-05   8.66036E-05   0.0001338   LED 18 PHILIPS INSTANT FIT CODE 433086   0.00012603   0.000113884   0.000120594   0.000124312   0.0001145   0.000124312   0.0001145   0.000124312   0.0001145   0.000124312   0.0001145   0.000124312   0.0001145   0.000124312   0.0001145   0.000124312							
37   HPS 200W (LUZ00 SYLVANIA 67576)	36						
38         LED T8 PHILIPS INSTANT FIT CODE 433086         0.000102603         0.000113584         0.000130594         0.000124312         0.0001156           39         LED T8 PHILIPS INSTANT FIT CODE 456913         7.32504E-05         9.26546E-05         0.000119625         0.000123378         9.70587E           40         Plasma Lighting         0.000275813         0.000395241         0.000629019         0.000722237         0.0009966           41         42         43         44         44         44         44         44         44         44         44         44         44         44         44         44         45         44         45         46         47         47         47         47         48							
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43 44			1.111210020		1.111120020	2.222.22201	
44							
	43						
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	<						>1

Figure 69 Custom bulb table

To add another bulb type, simply add in the name of your bulb to the bottom of the first column, and then corresponding to the wavelength along row 1 input. These wavelengths entries should be in terms of the *relative* spectra measured in UML totals between that column's wavelength and the next nearest column's wavelength (or the next 10 nm in the case of the final column).

Once these are entered, go up one folder in the directory, and you should see a csv file entitled "lightDatabase" that will simply be one row consisting of the names of the available lamps. **Add the exact same name you used in the birdLightDatabase file** and add it to the end of the row.

You may also recalibrate or set your own measurements to the other bulbs that are already default options in the birdLightDatabase file.

We conclude this section with a list of the relative spectra of our available bulbs.

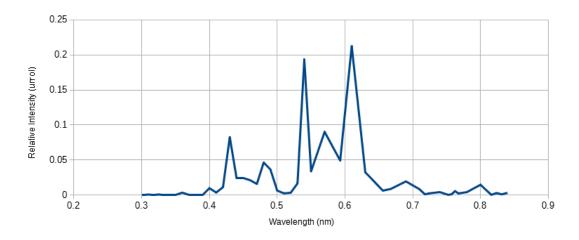


Figure 70 FLOURESCENT T8-WHITE 841

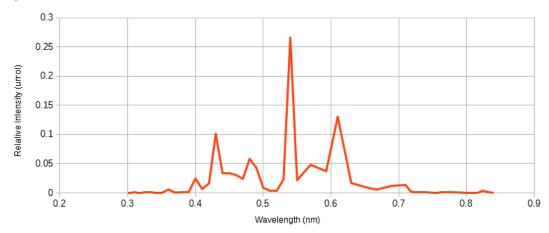


Figure 71 FLOURESCENT T5-WHITE F54T5HO 841 BY GE

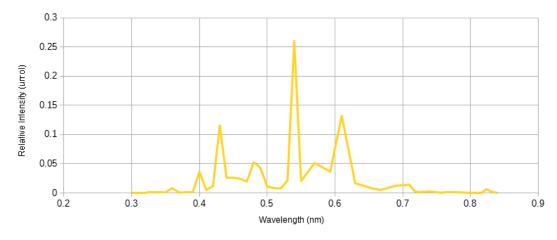


Figure 72 FLOURESCENT T5-WHITE F54T5HO 841 BY PHILIPS

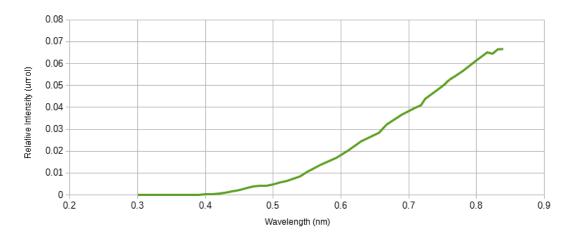


Figure 73 INCANDESCENT FROSTED 15W

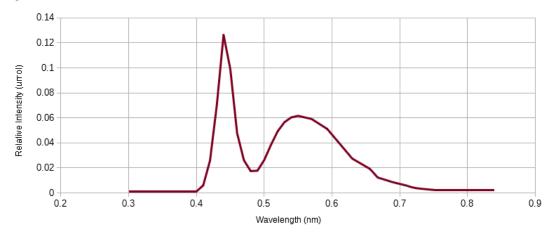


Figure 74 LED (PERCIVAL BAR) COOL WHITE

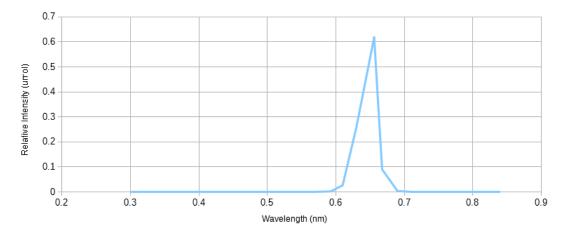


Figure 75 LED (PERCIVAL BAR) RED

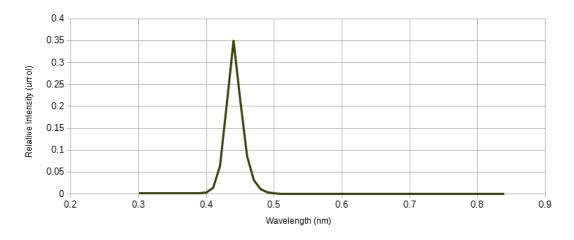


Figure 76 LED (PERCIVAL BAR) BLUE

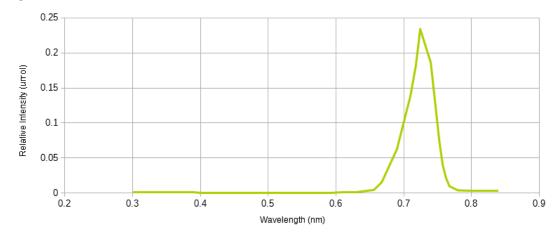


Figure 77 LED (PERCIVAL BAR) FAR RED

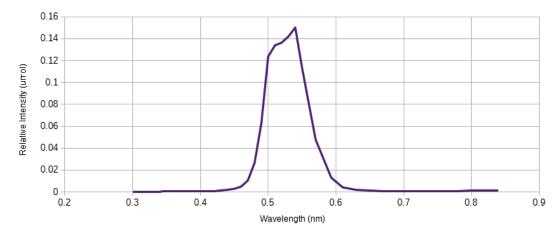


Figure 78 LED (PERCIVAL BAR) GREEN

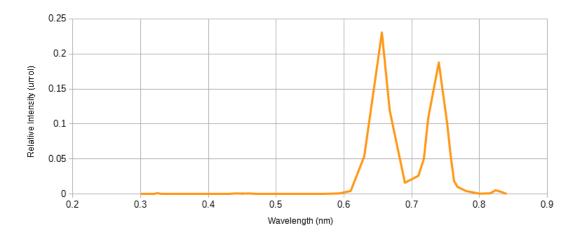


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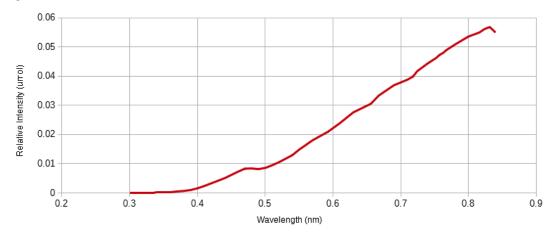


Figure 80 HALOGEN CLEAR (29W)

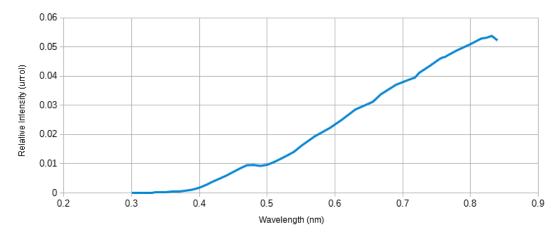


Figure 81 HALOGEN CLEAR (43W)

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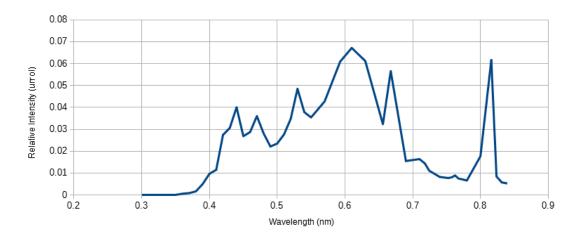


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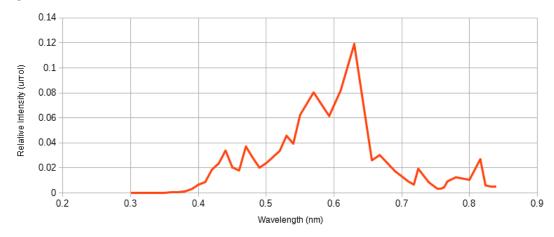


Figure 83 CMH 315W VENTURE 38821

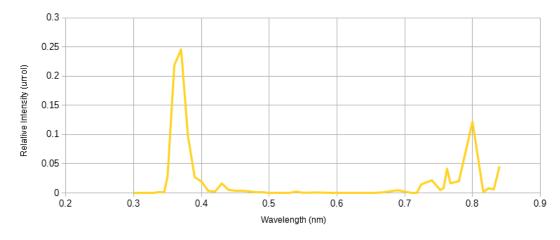


Figure 84 COMPACT FLOURESCENT-BLACK 13W FEIT BPESL15TBLB

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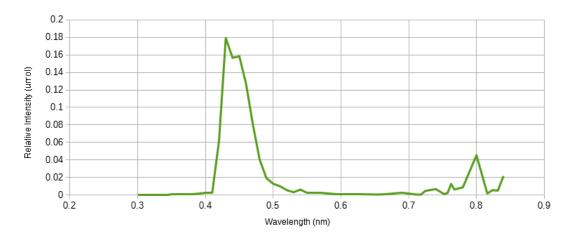


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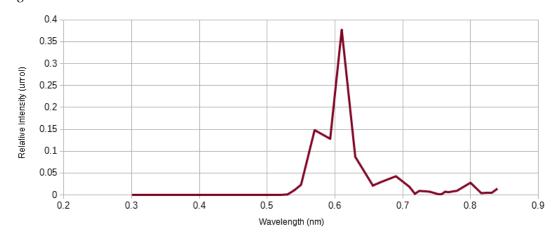


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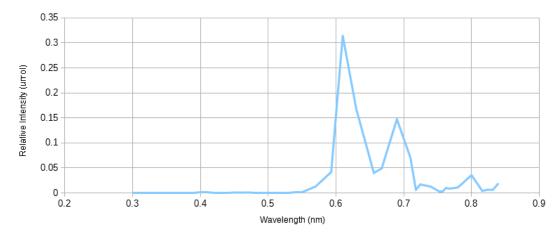


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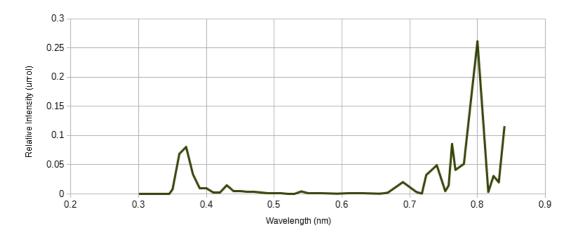


Figure 88 COMPACT FLOURESCENT-UVA SYLVANIA CF13ELSUPERBLACK

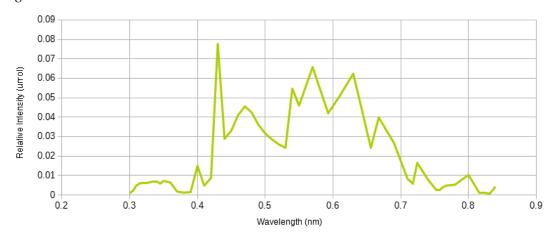


Figure 89 COMPACT FLOURESCENT-UVB REPTISUN 10

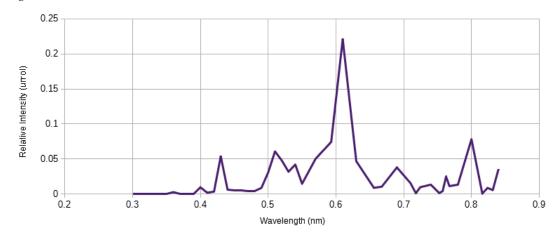


Figure 90 COMPACT FLOURESCENT-WHITE REVEAL 20W GEFLE20HT326HRVL

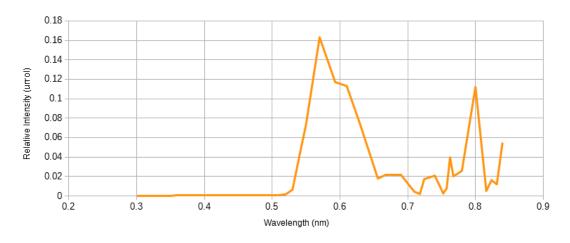


Figure 91 COMPACT FLOURESCENT-YELLOW 13W FEIT BPRSL13TR

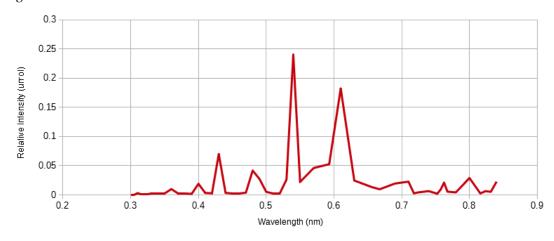


Figure 92 FLOURESCENT T5-AGROMAX F54T5HO BLOOM SPECTRUM

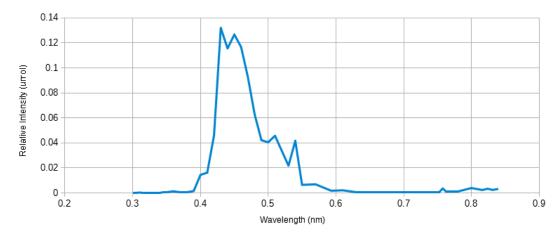


Figure 93 FLUORESCENT T5 - BLUE F54T5HO BLUE BY SUNLITE

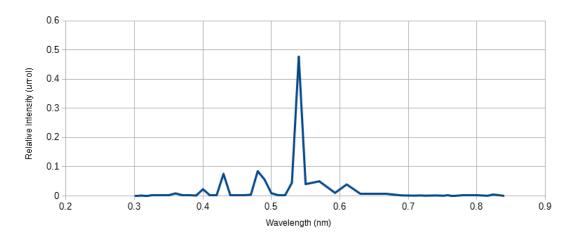


Figure 94 FLUORESCENT T5 - GREEN F54T5HO GREEN BY SUNLITE

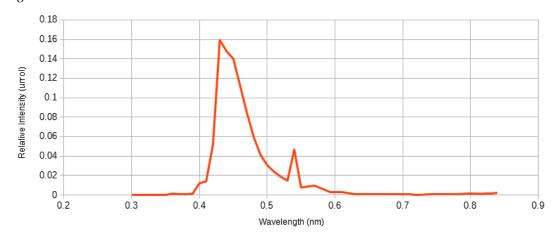


Figure 95 FLUORESCENT T5 - MARINE BLUE F54T5HO (BLUE) BY GLO

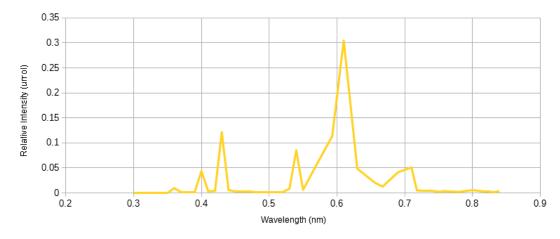


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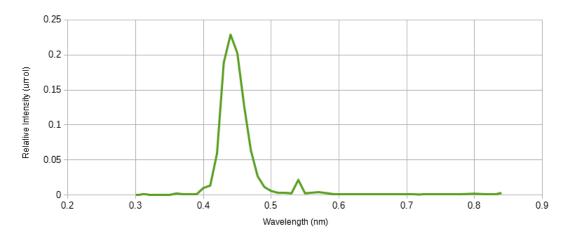


Figure 97 FLUORESCENT T8 - BLUE PERCIVAL LAMP

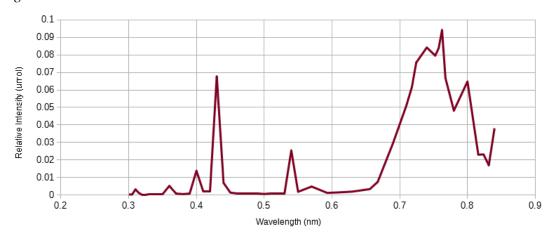


Figure 98 FLUORESCENT T8 - FAR RED PERCIVAL LAMP

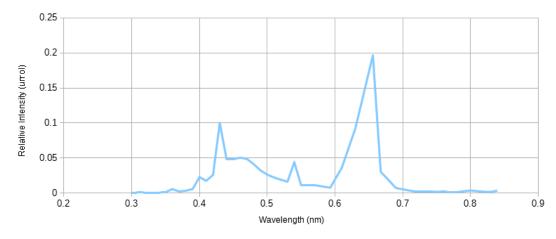


Figure 99 FLUORESCENT T8 - GROLITE NS

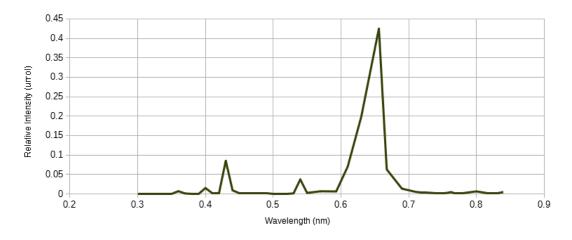


Figure 100 FLUORESCENT T8 - RED PERCIVAL LAMP

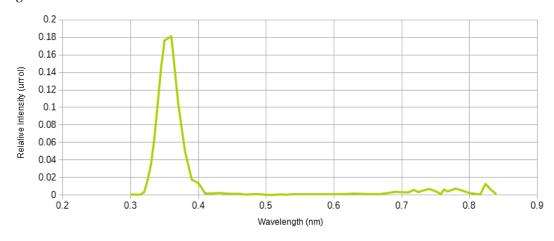


Figure 101 FLUORESCENT T8 - UVA F32T8BLB BY PROLUME

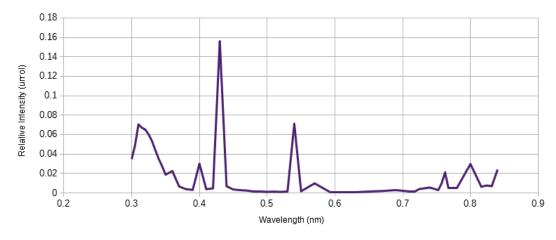


Figure 102 FLUORESCENT T8 - UVB

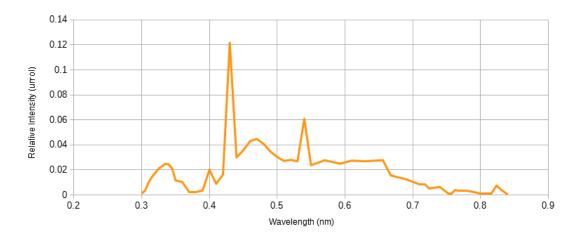


Figure 103 FLUORESCENT T8 - WHITE WITH UVB REPTISUN 5

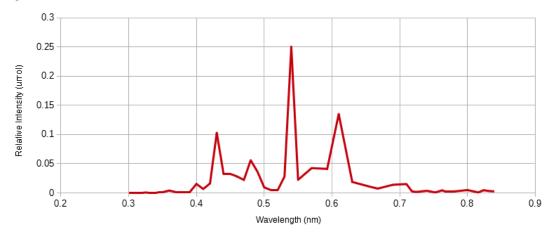


Figure 104 FLUORESCENT TWIN T5 - WHITE FT55W840 WHITE BY OSRAM

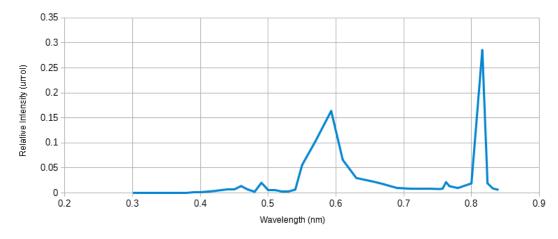


Figure 105 HPS 200W (LU200 SYLVANIA 67576)

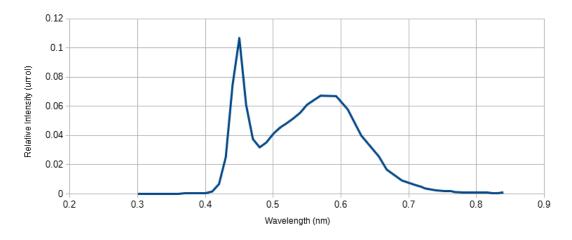


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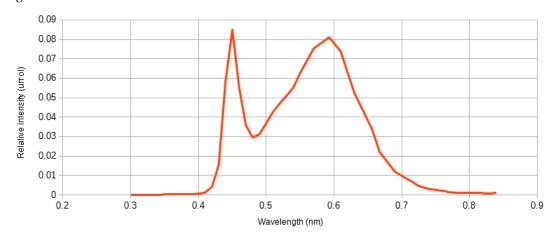


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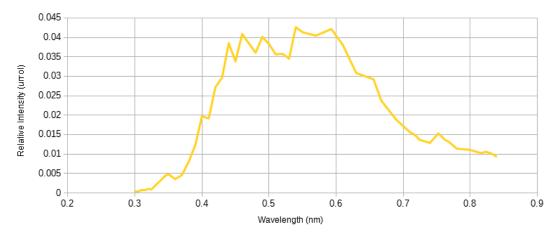


Figure 108 Plasma Lighting

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