

Electric Lighting Calculations



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Two kinds of calculations



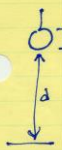
Task Lighting
(point source or line source method)



Ambient Lighting
(lumen or zonal cavity method)

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Point Source Method

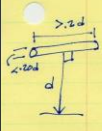


For the basic point source formula to be operative no dimension of the source can exceed 20% of d the distance between the source and the reference point

The basic formula is $f_c = \frac{c.p.}{D^2}$

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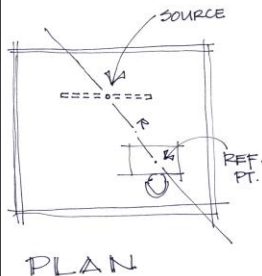
Line Source Method



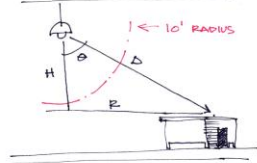
If the dimensions of the source exceed 20% of d in only one direction which is perpendicular to the line from the source to the reference point - then the basic line source formula is operative: $f.c. = \frac{c.p.}{D}$ (fluorescents end to end) Or LED tubes

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Find the illuminance from a point or line source...



...need drawings...



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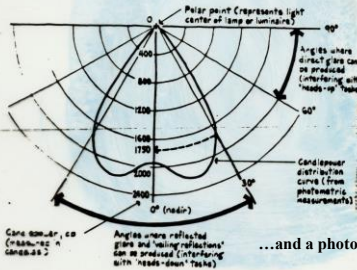
...measure $D = 26$ ft. and $\theta = 60^\circ$...

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Photometric

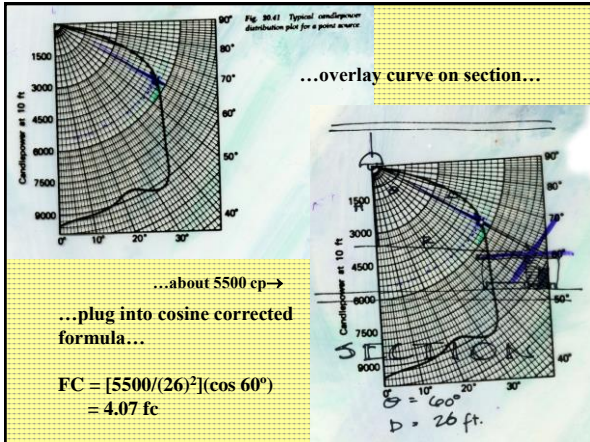
HOW TO READ CANDLEPOWER DISTRIBUTION CURVES

Candlepower distribution curves show light output produced by bare lamps or luminaires. Curves, plotted on polar coordinate graphs, can be used to represent the relative distribution of light. Candlepower values are found on the vertical scale of a graph which has degree lines radiating from the polar point. The nadir angle is 0° or the direction straight down. The horizontal plane containing the light source is 90° . For example, at 30° from the nadir, the - - - curve represented by the graph below has a candlepower of 1750 cd (see dashed line on graph below).



...and a photometric curve...

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For multiple point and line sources:

If you have more than one point and/or line source in a room calculate the fc from each source by either method

then simply add them up:

$$fc_T = fc_1 + fc_2 + \dots + fc_n$$



Warning: assumes IRC = 0


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Lumen Method

Suitable for luminous ceilings or evenly spaced lighting grids

...rooms with ambient lighting or uniform lighting...

Zonal cavity method is same except it figures in floor reflectivity...




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Lumen Method
based on f.c. definition

$$fc = \frac{\text{lumens}}{\text{area sq. ft. (work surface)}}$$

...but in real rooms light is reflected & absorbed by surfaces, this factor is labeled the coefficient of utilization (CU)...

so formula becomes


$$fc = \frac{\text{lumens} \times CU}{\text{area}}$$


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...also the fixture and other installation details reduce the light... this is labeled light loss factor (LLF)...

$$fc = \left(\frac{\text{lumens} \times CU}{\text{area}} \right) LLF$$

so solving for lumens

$$\text{lumens} = \frac{fc \times \text{area}}{LLF \times CU}$$


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...the number of lumens in the room is determined by the number of fixtures, lamps per fixture, and lumens per lamp

$$\text{lumens} = \# \text{ fixtures} \times \text{lamps/luminaire} \times \text{lumens/lamp}$$

...since the two previous formulas are solved for lumens, they can be combined to give...

$$\# \text{ fixtures} \times \text{lamps/luminaire} \times \text{lumens/lamp} = \frac{fc \times \text{area work surface area}}{LLF \times CU}$$


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...we can solve this for either the number of fixtures (black)
 ...or the amount of illumination on the work plane in FC (green)...

$$\# \text{ fixtures} = \frac{fc \times \text{work surface area}}{LLF \times CU \times \text{lamps/luminaire} \times \text{lumens/lamp}}$$

$$\rightarrow fc = \frac{\# \text{ fixtures} \times LLF \times CU \times \text{lamps/luminaire} \times \text{lumens/lamp}}{\text{work surface area}}$$

fixtures for a new design
 FC for an existing design



Pre-renovation ceiling plenum. An acoustic tile ceiling was installed in earlier renovations to disguise HVAC systems. The ceiling reduced daylighting potential and hid the historic fabric of the building.

Federal Building, Grand Junction, CO
 —HPB Mag

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EXAMPLE

Try this for a simple room:
 20' x 40' office space
 12' ceiling
 requires ~50 fc




TABLE 18.8 Comparison of Lighting Level Recommendations (Lux)

Activity	Source of Recommendation		
	British IES	American IES Handbook (1981)	U.S. Gov't Agency
Classroom	500	200-500	400-600
Business office	500	300-750	500-750
Drafting room	750-1000	750-1500	800-1200

NOTES:
 1. All levels are in lux. Divide by 10 for fc.
 2. All levels refer to lighting on the task.

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The room size (20' x 40' = 800 sqft)
 and illuminance requirement (50 fc)
 Give us the numerator for our formula...

$$\# \text{ fixtures} = \frac{50fc \times 800 \text{ sqft}}{\text{whatever}}$$

...the denominator isn't so simple...

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...pick a luminaire...

TABLE 20.2 Coefficients of Utilization for Typical Luminaires with Suggested Maximum Spacing Ratios (continued)

Typical Luminaire	Typical Distribution and Percent Lamp Lumens	Typical Distribution and Percent Lamp Lumens	Typical Distribution and Percent Lamp Lumens	Typical Distribution and Percent Lamp Lumens	Coefficients of Utilization for 20% Effective Floor Cavity Reflectance (ρ _{fc} = 20)														
					Maintenance Category	Maximum SLMH Guide	RCR	80			70			50			0		
								ρ _{cc}	ρ _{sc}	ρ _{fc}	ρ _{cc}	ρ _{sc}	ρ _{fc}	ρ _{cc}	ρ _{sc}	ρ _{fc}	ρ _{cc}	ρ _{sc}	ρ _{fc}
<p>Luminous bottom suspended unit with extra-high-output lamp</p>	VI	N.A.	1.5:1.2	0	77	77	77	68	68	68	50	50	50	12					
				1	67	64	62	59	57	54	44	42	41	10					
				2	59	54	50	52	48	45	38	36	34	09					
				3	51	46	42	45	41	37	34	31	28	07					
				4	45	40	35	40	35	31	30	27	24	06					
				5	40	34	30	35	30	27	26	23	20	05					
				6	36	30	26	32	27	23	24	20	18	05					
				7	32	26	22	28	23	20	21	18	15	04					
				8	29	23	19	26	21	17	19	16	13	03					
				9	26	20	17	23	18	15	17	14	12	03					
10	24	18	15	21	16	13	16	12	10	03									
<p>Two-lamp prismatic wraparound; multiply by 0.95 for four lamps</p>	V	1.5:1.2	1.5:1.2	0	81	81	81	78	78	78	72	72	72	59					
				1	71	69	66	69	66	64	64	62	60	50					
				2	64	59	56	61	58	54	57	54	51	44					
				3	57	52	48	55	50	47	51	48	45	38					
				4	51	46	41	49	44	41	46	42	39	34					
				5	46	40	36	44	39	35	41	37	34	29					
				6	41	35	31	40	35	31	38	33	30	26					
				7	37	31	27	38	31	27	34	29	26	23					
				8	33	28	24	32	27	23	30	25	22	19					
				9	30	24	20	29	24	20	27	23	19	17					
10	27	22	18	26	21	18	25	20	17	15									

↑ Requires two fluorescent tubes...

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...pick a lamp...

TABLE 19.11 Typical Fluorescent Lamp Base Standard Lamps at Its Minimum Rating

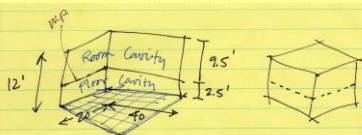
Lamp Abbreviation	Lamp Diameter (in)	Lamp Length (in)	Lamp Current (mA)	Ballast (W) ^a	Total Watts ^b	Lamp Life (hr) ^c	Initial Output at 40% Actual Efficacy (lm/W) ^d	Initial Actual Efficacy (lm/W)	Remarks	
Pin-based lamps^e										
F-15 T-8 CW	15	48	430	8	23	7,500	870	785	38	Cool white
F-20 T-12 WW	20	48	430	10	30	9,000	1,300	1,150	43	Warm white
Rapid-start—pin-based lamps^e										
F40 T-12 CW	40	48	430	7.5	48	20,000	3,150	2,770	68	Cool white
F40 T-12 WW	40	48	430	7.5	48	20,000	3,200	2,815	70	Warm white
F40 T-12 CWX	40	48	430	7.5	48	20,000	2,250	1,865	48	Cool white deluxe
F40 T-12 D	40	48	430	7.5	48	20,000	2,600	2,290	57	Daylight
F40 T-12C30	40	48	430	7.5	48	20,000	2,200	1,890	48	5000 K color
F40 T-12C75	40	48	430	7.5	48	20,000	2,000	1,720	44	7500 K color
F40 T-12U	40	48	430	7.5	48	12,000	2,900	2,525	55	"U" shape ^f
Rapid-start—high output^e										
F48 T-12 CW/HO	48	80	800	12.5	72.5	12,000	4,300	3,740	55	
F60 T-12 CW/HO	75	80	800	15	80	12,000	5,400	4,700	65	
F72 T-12 CW/HO	85	72	800	22.5	107.5	12,000	6,650	5,785	62	
F88 T-12 CW/HO	110	88	800	18.5	128.5	12,000	9,200	8,005	72	
Rapid-start—very high output^e										
F48 PQ-17 CW	110	48	1500	5	125	12,000	6,900	5,100	55	G.E. Power Groove ^g
F72 PQ-17 CW	180	72	1500	10	175	12,000	11,500	8,510	66	G.E. Power Groove ^g
F88 PQ-17 CW	215	98	1500	10	225	12,000	16,000	12,180	71	G.E. Power Groove ^g
Insert-start (Slimline) lamps^e										
F42 T-4 CW	25	42	200	10.5	35.5	7,500	1,750	1,480	49	
F44 T-4 CW	40	40	200	9	49	7,500	2,800	2,350	57	
F24 T-12 CW	20	34	430	14	34	7,500	1,150	1,026	34	
F36 T-12 CW	36	38	430	13	43	7,500	2,000	1,800	47	Warm white
F48 T-12 CW	40	48	430	12	52	9,000	3,000	2,780	58	
F48 T-12 CW	58	72	430	11	86	12,000	4,500	4,275	68	
F68 T-12 CW	78	98	430	13	85	12,000	6,300	5,800	74	

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...calculate the room cavity ratio...

$RCR = 2.5 \frac{\text{area of cavity wall}}{\text{area of work plane}}$



$2(9.5 \times 40) + 2(9.5 \times 20) = 760 + 380 = 1140 \text{ sq ft}$

so $RCR = 2.5 \frac{1140 \text{ sq ft}}{800 \text{ sq ft}} = 3.56$

...key to finding CU...

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...need to know RCR (3.56), ceiling and wall reflectivity...

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...interpolate CU = 0.54...

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...plug in lamp, fixture, and CU info...

$$\# \text{ fixture} = \frac{\text{So fc} \times 800 \text{ sq ft}}{\text{LLF} \times .54 \times 2 \text{ lamps/luminaire} \times 2770 \frac{\text{lumens}}{\text{lamp}}}$$

→ only LLF left well

$$\text{LLF} = a \times b \times c \times d \times e \times f \times g \times \text{LDD}$$

↑
luminaire dirt depreciation

...this alphabet soup of factors is described in MEEB 12 p 730...

Or you can approximate LLF = .65 for good, .55 for average, or .45 for poor conditions MEEB 12 p. 738

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LUMEN METHOD - "SIMPLE" FORMULA

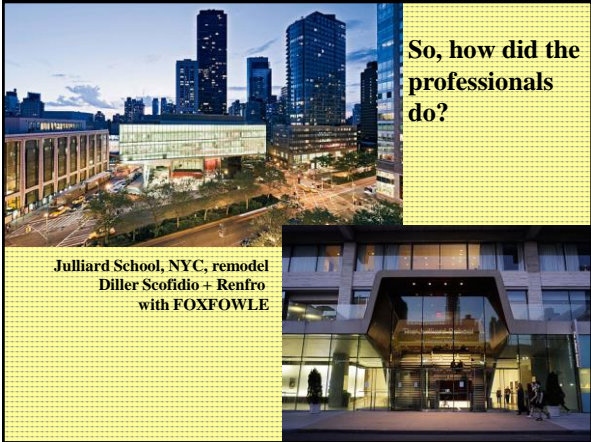
$$\# \text{ fixtures} = \frac{\text{fc req'd} \times \text{work plane area}}{\text{LLF} \times \text{CU} \times \text{lamps/luminaire} \times \text{lumens/lamp}}$$

$$\# \text{ fixtures} = \frac{50 \times 800 \text{ sq ft}}{.50 \times .54 \times 2 \times 2770} = 20.7 \text{ or } 21$$

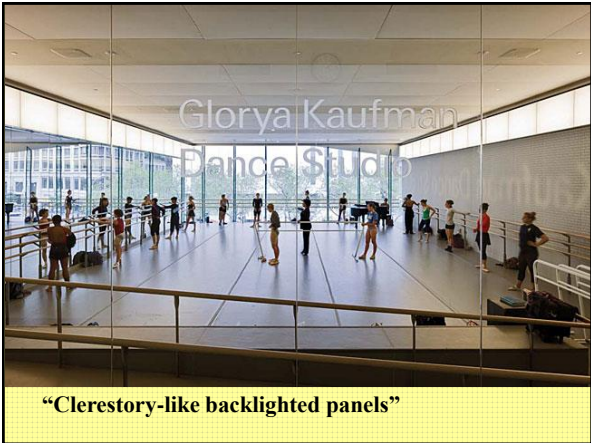
$$\text{LLF} = a \times b \times c \times d \times e \times f \times g \times \text{LDD}$$

$$\text{LLF} = 1.0 \times 1.0 \times .9 \times .9 \times .92 \times .85 \times .95 \times .83 = .50$$

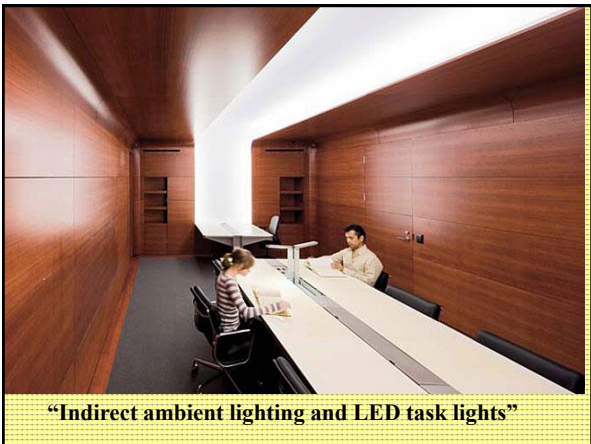
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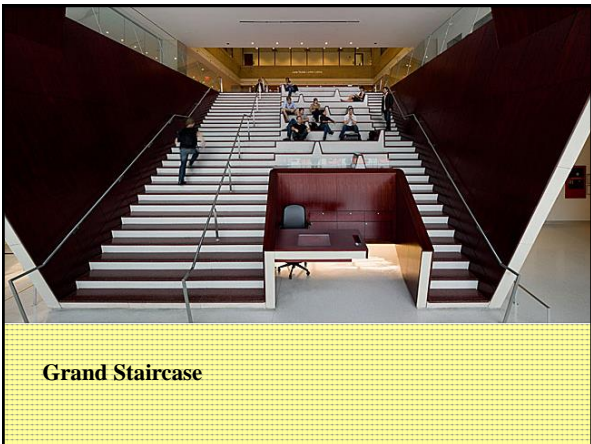
“T-5s behind a base of frosted glass panels (box office).”

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“Vibration and buzz-free lighting for orchestra rehearsal”

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Grand Staircase

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2022 AIA DESIGN AWARDS

Jingdezhen Imperial Kiln Museum

Merit Award • Whole Building Lighting • Design Team: Dongning Wang



The Jingdezhen Imperial Kiln Museum is located in the center of the historical area of Jingdezhen, which is known as the "porcelain capital" of the world.

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Traditional smoke holes used in ancient kiln design are adapted to bring in natural light or to hide artificial light sources.

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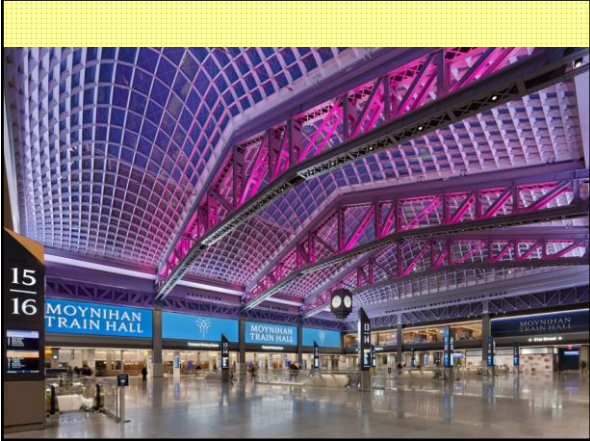


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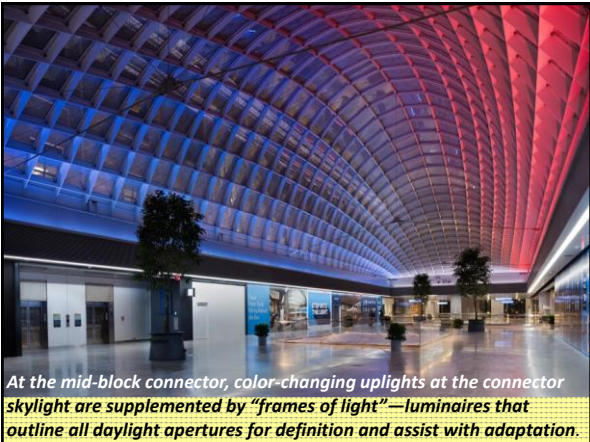
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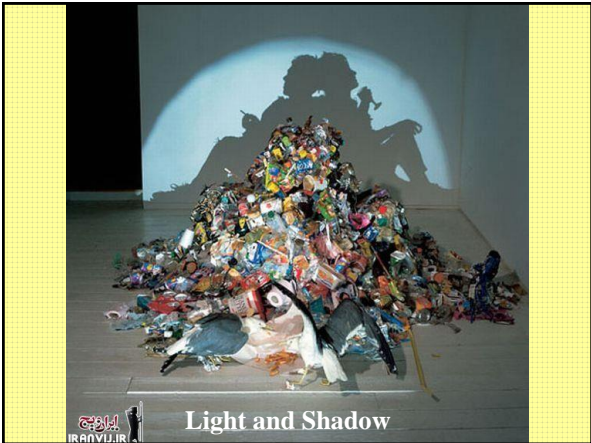
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Light and Shadow

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