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Changing architecture to incorporate LED lighting

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How do we change Architecture to take advantage of Solid State Lighting?

architecture is designed for People.lighting is designed for the People within the architecture.

What are the unique qualities of Solid State Lighting and how can they be optimized within the architecture to create a better visual and subjective human experience?

Light is Light The physical properties of light

- Intensity
- Color
- Direction
- Form
- Movement

Human Factors

Design based on subjective impressions is unaffected by the source.

- Visual Clarity
- Spaciousness
- Relaxation
- Social Interaction
- Complexity

Metrics of Quality

- Color Rendering
- Contrast Ratios
- Visual Acuity
- Glare Indices
- Visual Comfort



- Size
- Digital
- Extended color range
- Unidirectional
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- Smaller luminaires
- New form factors
- more precise optics
- Lower wattage options
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- More discrete control options
- LiFi using light for more than just vision
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 - Phosphor tuning for circadian rhythm
 - Extended and optimized color pallets
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 - Well suited for recessed and directional luminaires
 - Allow shallow recessing depths
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 - Smaller control gear
 - Class 2 solutions
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 - Greater architectural integration
 - New materials offer more optical possibilities
 - Greater variety of housing materials

Evolution of the Solid State Luminaire

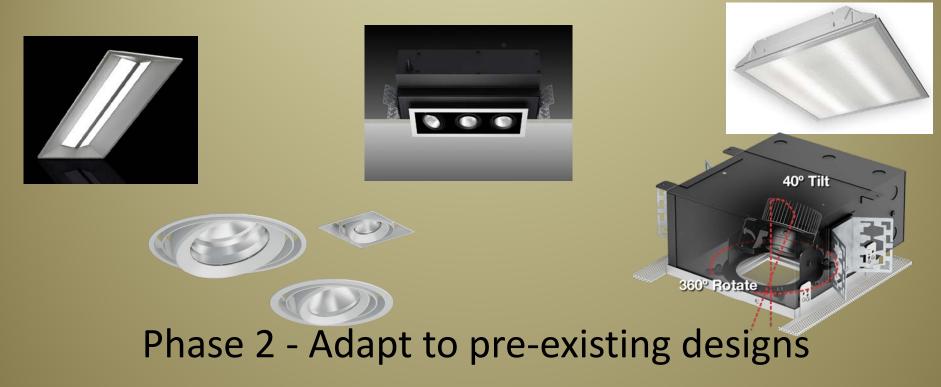






Phase 1 - Show the source

Evolution of the Solid State Luminaire



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Phase 3 - Create new design unique to the source

The source has changed but the human eye has not.



Size - Smaller is better?

- LED sources permit smaller luminaires
- More discrete
- Smaller apertures
- Minimize the impact on the architecture



Glare

Source	Luminance
White Illuminated Cloud	10 kcd/m ²
Fluorescent Lamp	12 kcd/m ²
Frosted Incandescent Lamp	130 kcd/m ²
Solar Disk at Horizon	600 kcd/m ²
Chip On Board	1.5 Mcd/m ²
Clear Incandescent Lamp Filament	7 Mcd/m ²
Possible Retinal Damage	100 Mcd/m ²
Solar Disk at Noon	1.6 Gcd/m ²

Beware Glare

- Energy codes set minimum efficiencies in Lumens per Watt
- Efficiency Optical control = Glare

Glare Considerations

- Smaller source permits more effective optics for a given size of luminaire
- Reflectors (legacy solution) are efficient but not precise. Good for wide distributions.
- Refractors and lenses offer more precise control at the cost of efficiency
- Efficiency should consider lumens reaching the task, not lumens exiting the fixture.

Digital Control

- Drivers in each luminaire are an opportunity to distribute the control system throughout the project.
- Control over more than just intensity. Color and color temperature are now able to be easily addressed.
- Existing infrastructure and lighting grid is offers ideal placement for replacement solutions.
- Bidirectional communication and integration of sensors into the luminaire with minimal impact on fixture cost.

Digital Control Consideration

Flicker

- When the current stops the LED stops producing light. Unintended disruptions in the power to the LED can cause visual disturbance.
- Flicker Index
- Percent flicker

Digital - Control

Luminaires can do more than just provide illumination

- Bidirectional communication and integration of sensors into the luminaire with minimal impact on fixture cost.
- Lights can communicate information visually with Color
- Lights can communicate non visually with Lifi

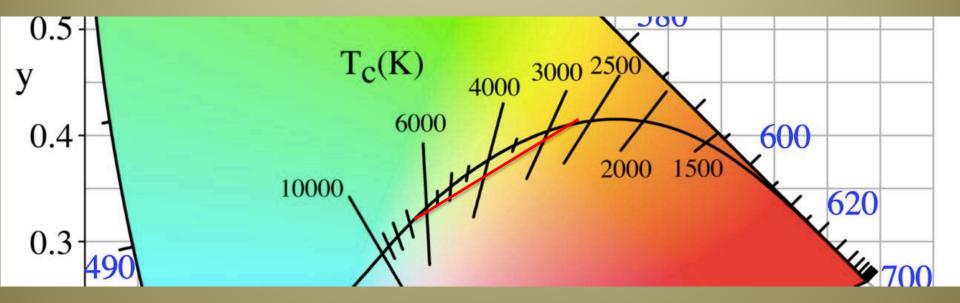
Color – Tuneable White

- Ability to tune he color temperature along the Black Body Locus.
- Reinforce Circadian rhythm
- Match electric light to available daylight

Color Tuning Considerations

- Effects on health are still being determined and debated.
- Cost effective systems take a shortcut across the BBL.

Color Tuning Considerations



Enhanced Color Palletes

- Spectral Power Distributions can be tailored to precise needs
- Enhance skintone
- Accentuate colors
- Whiter whites
- Make food more appealing

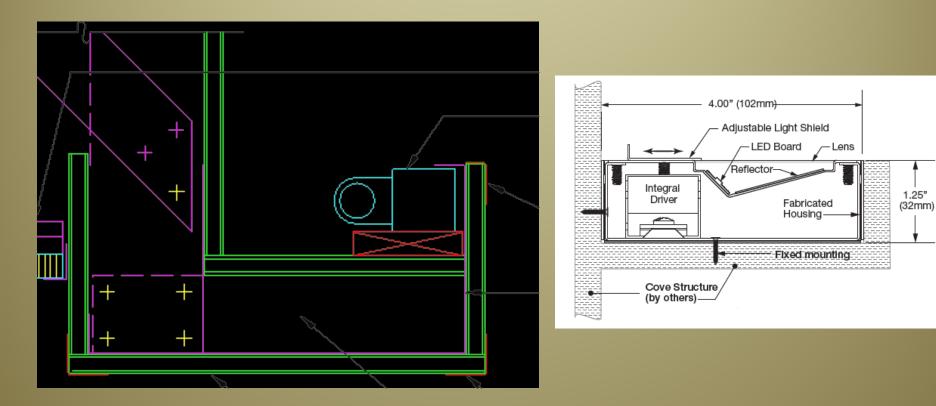
Color - Architectural Considerations

 Pallet of surface materials must be evaluated underneath the same spectrum as it will be seen.

Unidirectional

 Easy to conceal the luminaire within architecture as the majority of light is already vectored to exit fixture.

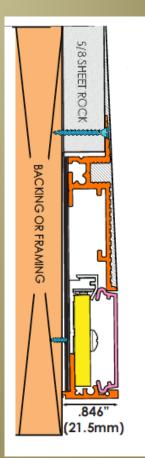
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• Shallow luminaires can be created that work within the thickness of the wall construction.





Low Voltage

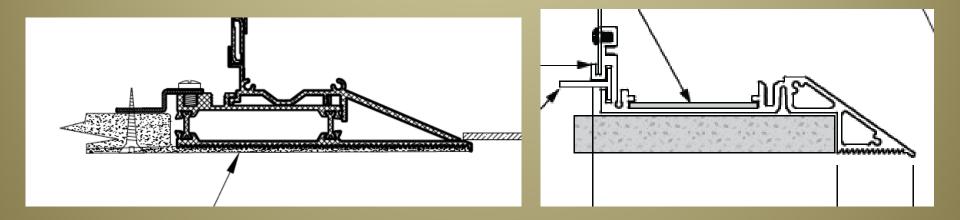
- Low voltage distribution options
- Potential for less stringent wiring requirements.



Low Heat

 LED Luminaires permit integration with sheetrock with little need to compensate for thermal expansion.

Trimless details



Lines of Light



Linear Integrations



Building Systems Integrations

