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# **Radiation Effects On Exterior Surfaces**

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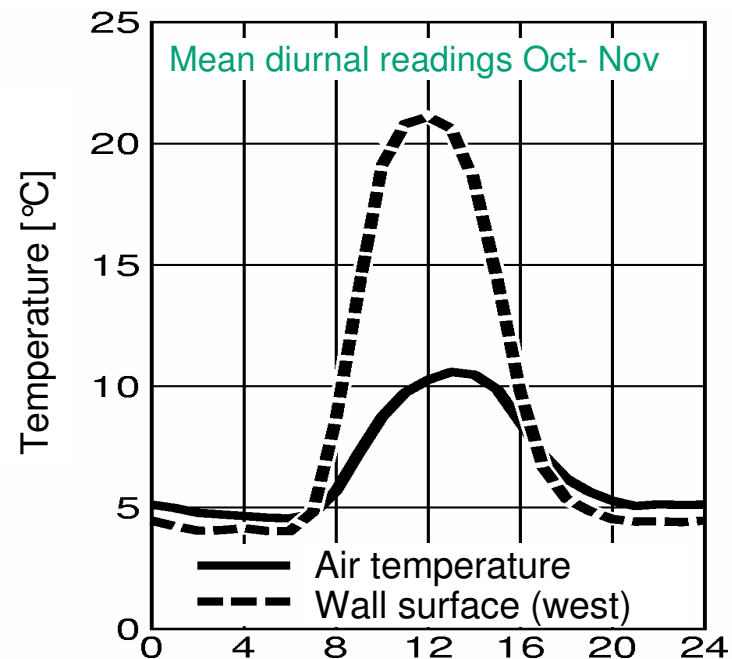
# Radiation Effects on Exterior Surfaces

## Radiation: energy source and sink



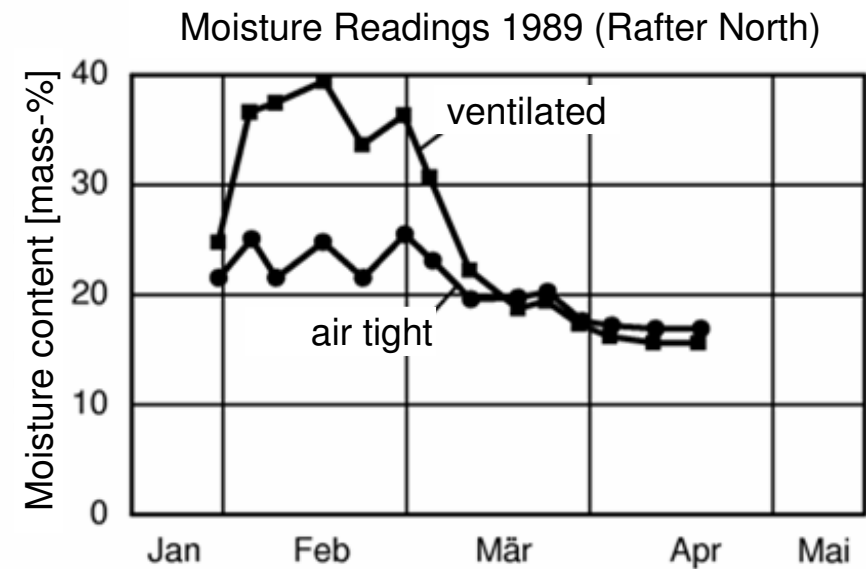
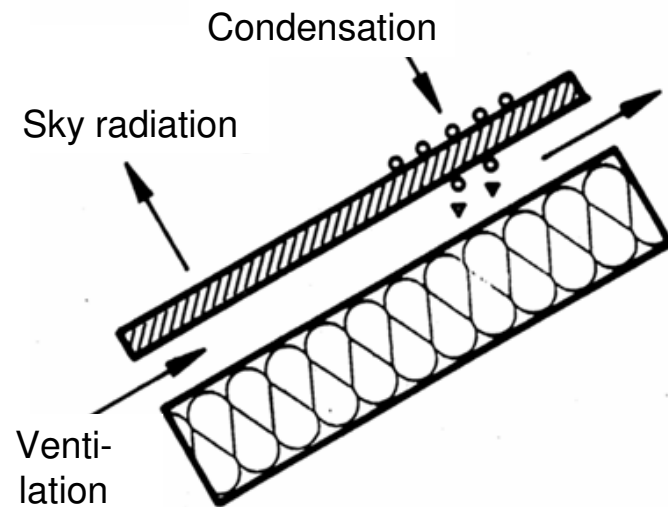
The exterior surface temperature of a building envelope component depends on:

- ▶ ambient air temperature and surface transfer
- ▶ absorption of short-wave radiation from the sun
- ▶ emission/absorption of long-wave radiation



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## Condensation in ventilation planes



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**Result: Condensation yields to Mould and Algae Growth on Exterior Surfaces.**

No Insulation

EIFS





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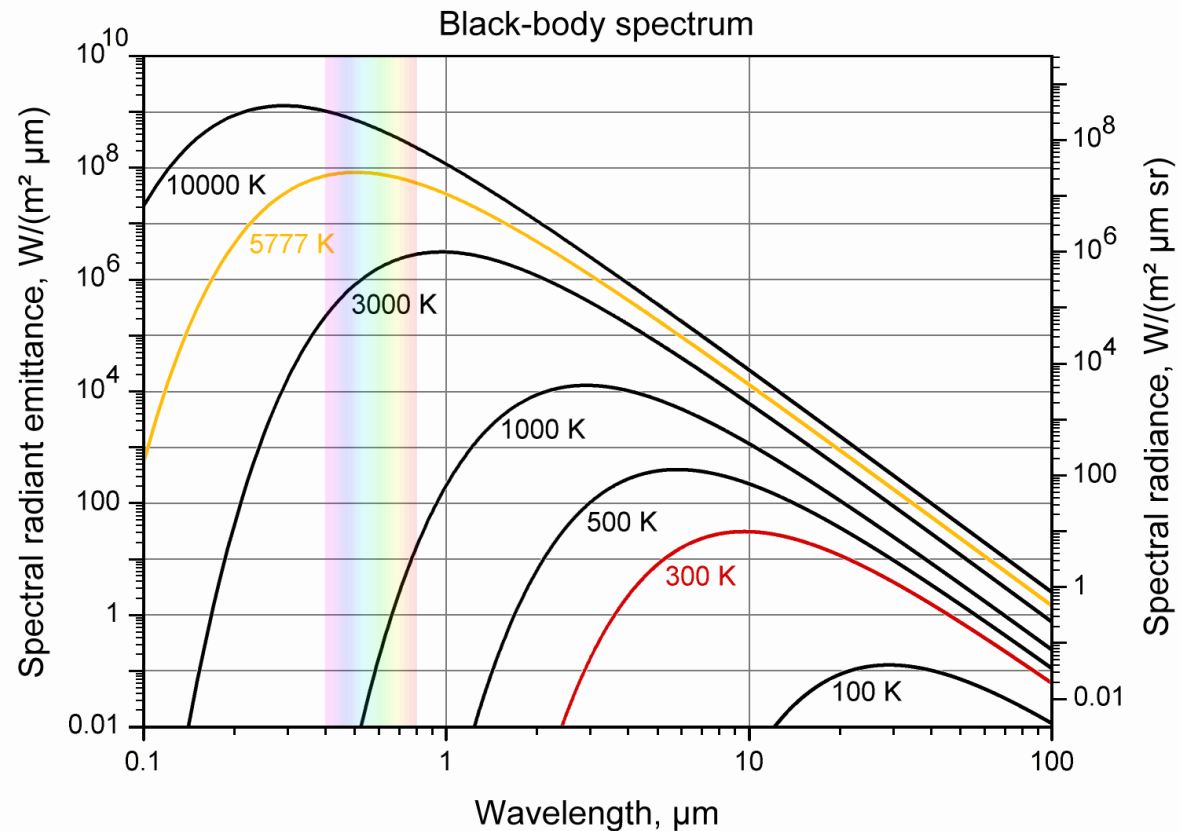
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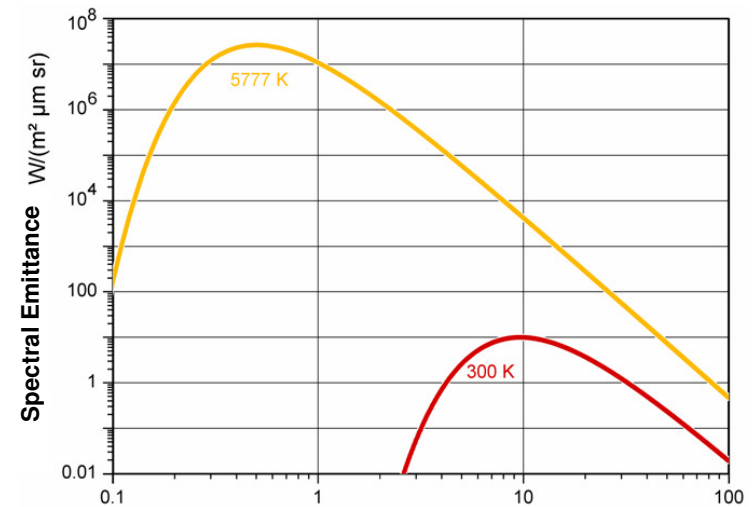
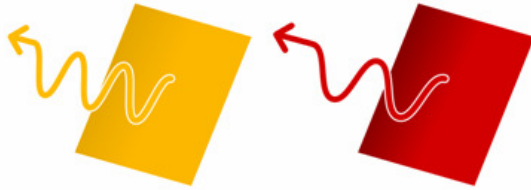
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Every body has an radiant emittance according to the law from Max Planck, depending on Temperature and Wave Length.

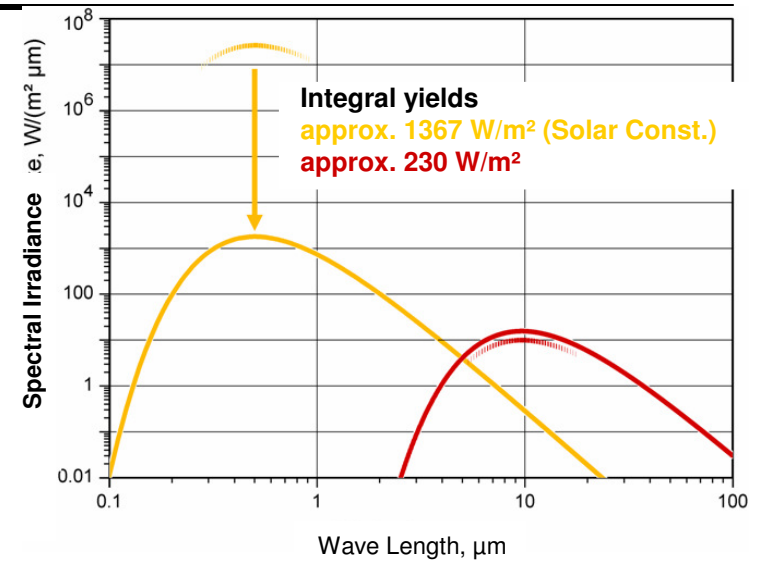
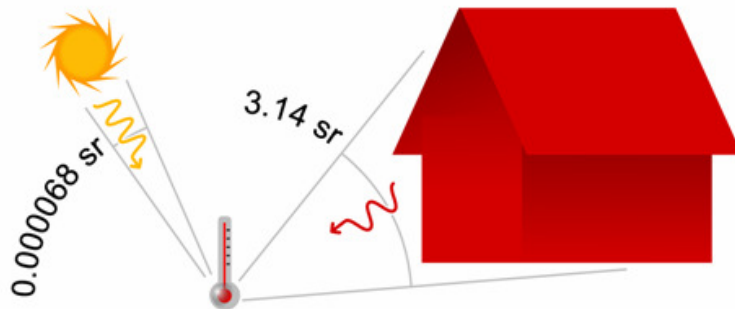


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## Emittance of a Surface



## Radiation to a Recipient Surface (Irradiance)

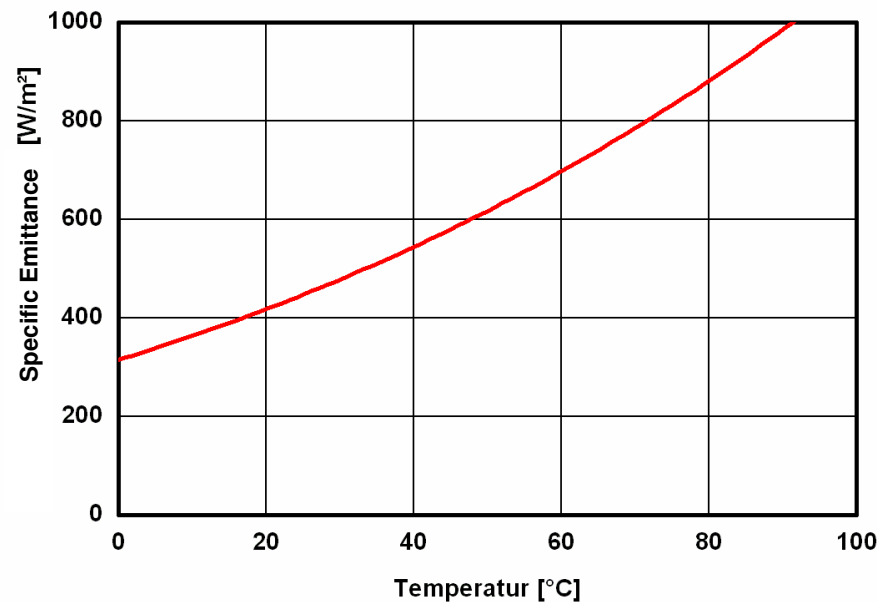




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Integration of the Planck Law over all Wave Length over the half space yields to the Specific Emittance of a black body according to Stefan-Boltzmann-Law.

$$M_e = \sigma \cdot T^4$$



$M_e$  : Specific Emittance  $\left[ \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}^2} \right]$

$\sigma$  : Stefan – Boltzmann – Constant;  
 $5,67 \cdot 10^{-8} \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}^2 \text{K}^4}$

$T$  : absolute Temperatur e [K]

For Gray Radiators gilt:

$$M_e = \varepsilon \cdot \sigma \cdot T^4$$

$\varepsilon$  : Emissivity [–]

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**Example for the Emittance:**

**A Human Being has the following Properties:**

**Mass: 80 kg (basically Water)**

**Surface: 1,8 m<sup>2</sup>**

**Surface Temperature: 34 °C**

**The Emittance of about 900 W yields to a body temperature 25 °C in 1 hour and this Human Being will die.**

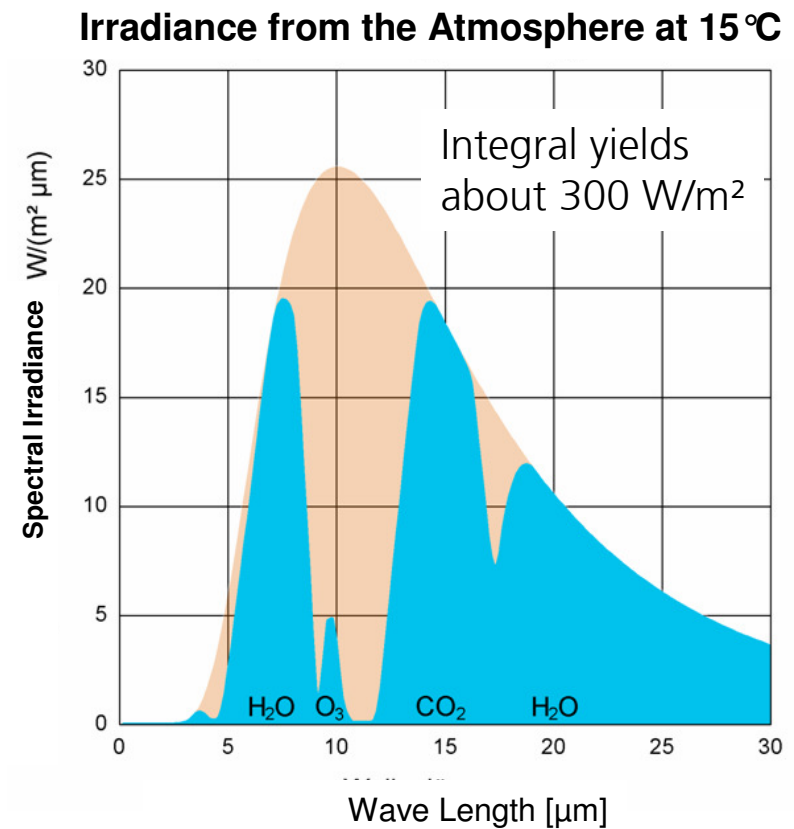
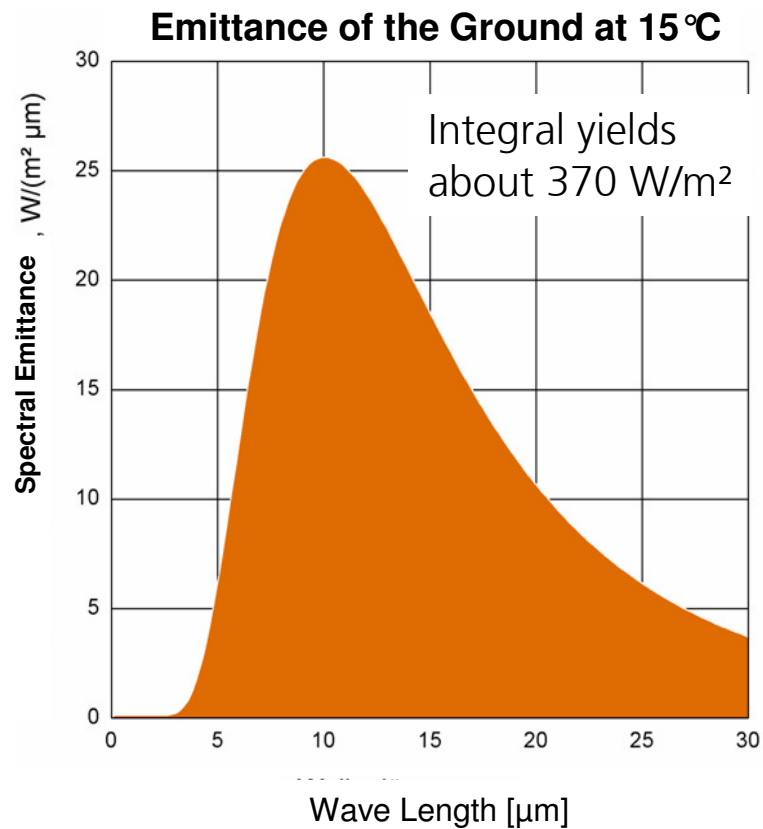
**To avoid this he must eat 17000 kcal a day.**

**Where is the fault ?**

**This Human Being has not only an Emittance of 900 W, he does also absorb the Irradiation of the surrounding Environment (about. 750 W at 20°C).**

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The Atmosphere is not a solid body and has another Radiation Behavior.



**Difference (about. 70 W/m<sup>2</sup>) ist the reason for night-time overcooling.**

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How is long-wave Radiation typically taken into account?

- ▶ German Standard DIN EN ISO 6946: Bauteile – Wärmedurchlasswiderstand und Wärmedurchgangskoeffizient - Berechnungsverfahren

$$R_s = \frac{1}{h_c + h_r}$$

$R_s$ : Heat Transfer Resistance [ $\text{m}^2\text{K}/\text{W}$ ]  
 $h_c$ : Heat Transfer Coefficient, Convection [ $\text{W}/\text{m}^2\text{K}$ ]  
 $h_r$ : Heat Transfer Coefficient, long-wave Radiation [ $\text{W}/\text{m}^2\text{K}$ ]

$$q = \frac{1}{R_s} \cdot \Delta T$$

$q$  : Heat Flux [ $\text{W}/\text{m}^2$ ]  
 $\Delta T$  : Temperature Difference Surface - Air [K]

- Consequence: Surface Temperature can not sink below Air Temperature.
- Conclusion: This Method is applicable for thermal long term calculation. It is not applicable to model real physical processes on Exterior Surfaces.

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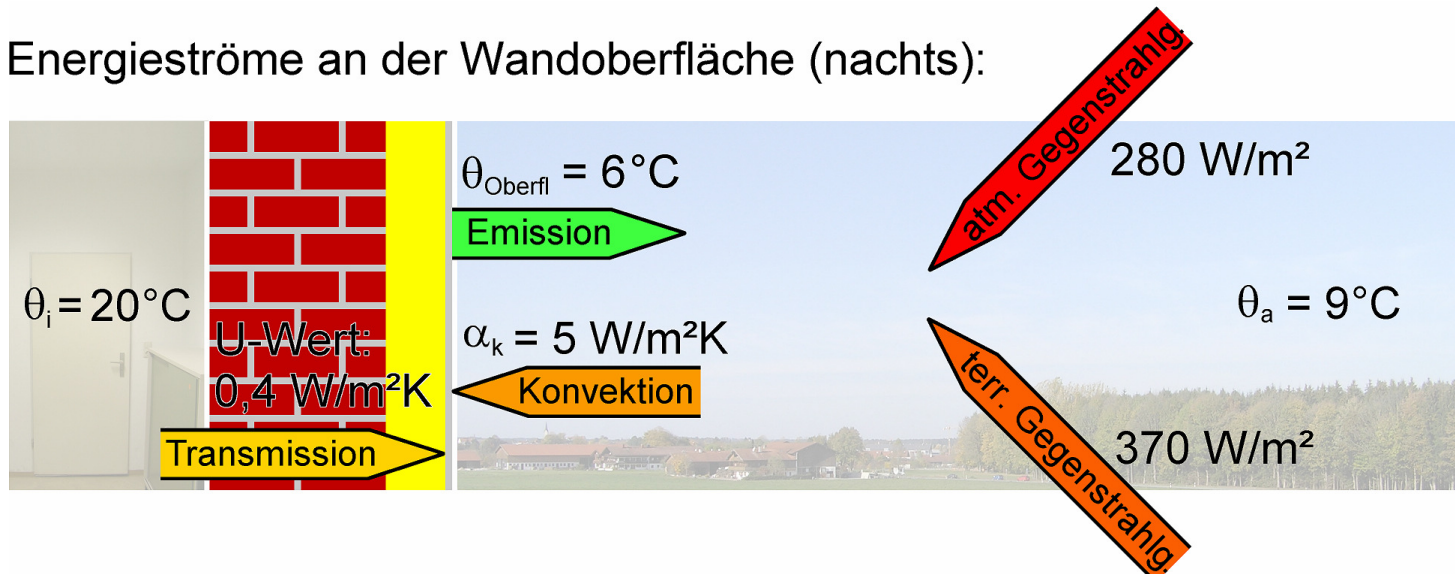
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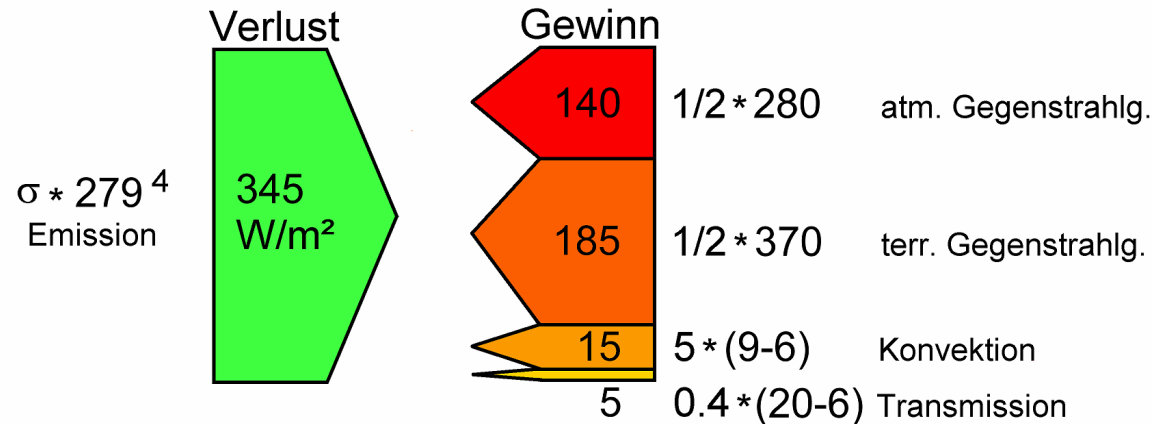


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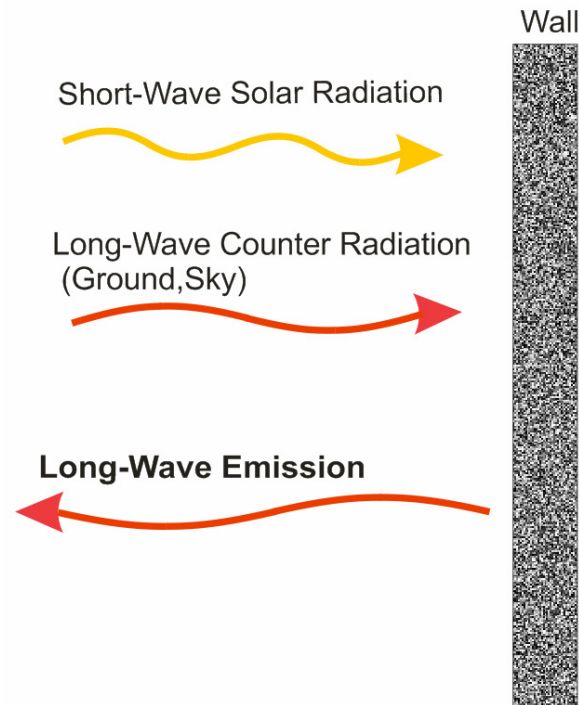
Energieströme an der Wandoberfläche (nachts):



Nächtliche Energiebilanz an der Wandoberfläche:



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## Radiation Model in WUFI® 4.1

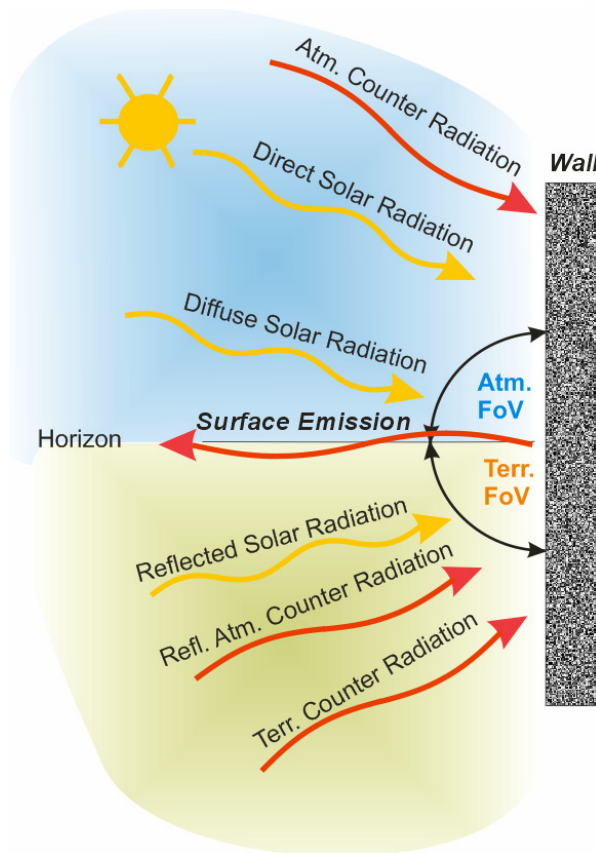
### Explicit Radiation Balance at Exterior Surfaces

$$I = a \cdot I_s + \epsilon \cdot I_l - I_e$$

$I$	$[W/m^2]$	balanced net radiation at the component's surface
$a$	$[-]$	short-wave absorption coefficient of the component's surface
$I_s$	$[W/m^2]$	normal short-wave solar radiation incident onto the component's surface
$\epsilon$	$[-]$	long-wave emission coefficient (=absorption coefficient) of the component's surface
$I_l$	$[W/m^2]$	normal long-wave radiation incident onto the component's surface
$I_e$	$[W/m^2]$	long-wave emission radiation of the component's surface

# Radiation Effects on Exterior Surfaces

## Further Splitting yields 7 Radiation Parts



$$I_s = I_{s, dir.} + g_{atm.} \cdot I_{s, diff.} + g_{terr.} \cdot I_{s, refl.}$$

$I_{s, dir.}$	$[W/m^2]$	direct solar radiation
$g_{atm.}$	$[-]$	atmospheric field of view factor
$I_{s, diff.}$	$[W/m^2]$	diffuse solar radiation
$g_{terr.}$	$[-]$	terrestrial field of view factor
$I_{s, refl.}$	$[W/m^2]$	solar radiation reflected by the ground

$$I_l = g_{atm.} \cdot I_{l, atm.} + g_{terr.} \cdot (I_{l, terr.} + I_{l, refl.})$$

$I_{l, atm.}$	$[W/m^2]$	atmospheric long-wave counter radiation
$I_{l, terr.}$	$[W/m^2]$	terrestrial long-wave counter radiation
$I_{l, refl.}$	$[W/m^2]$	atmospheric long-wave counter radiation reflected by the ground

$$I_e = \epsilon \cdot \sigma \cdot T_{sur}^4$$

$\sigma$	$[W/m^2 K^4]$	Stefan-Boltzmann-Constant, $5,67 \cdot 10^{-8}$
$T_{sur}$	$[K]$	temperature of the component's surface

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If your meteorological data-set does not include atm. counter radiation but cloud cover  $N$ , WUFI will use the following empirical equations:

$$I_{l, atm} = N \cdot I_{cloud} + (1-N) \cdot I_{air}$$

$$I_{air} = \sigma \cdot T^4 (0.79 - 0.174 \cdot 10^{-0.041 \cdot p})$$

$T$ : air temperature at station [K]

$p$ : vapor pressure at station [hPa]

$$I_{cloud} = \sigma \cdot T_D^4$$

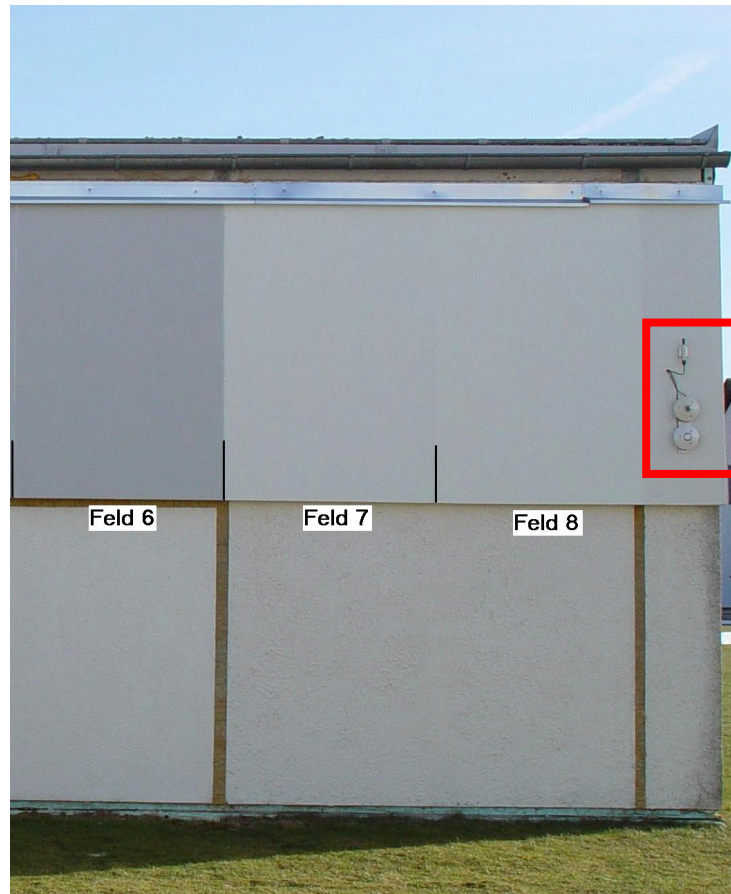
$T_D$ : = Dewpoint temp. at station





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## Validation of the Radiation Model



Solarimeter

(short-wave range  $0.3 - 2.8 \mu\text{m}$ )

Pyrgeometer

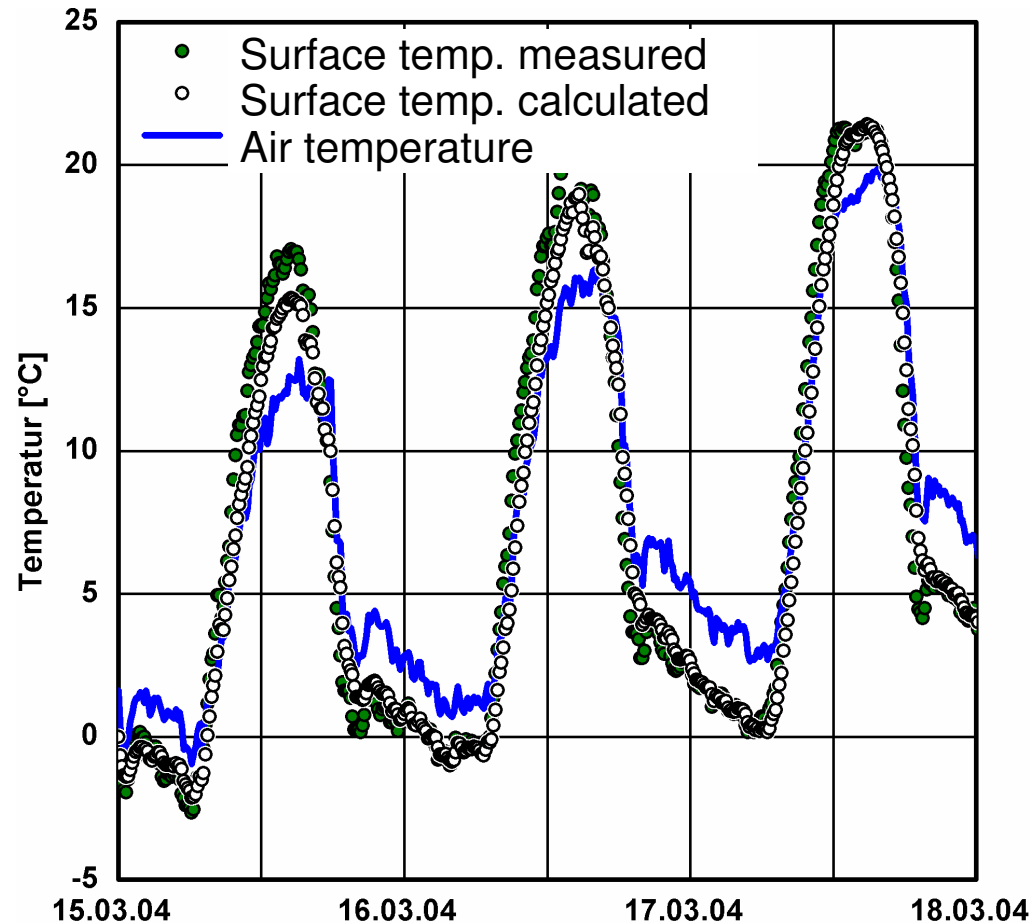
(long-wave range  $5 - 25 \mu\text{m}$ )

- Brick wall EIFS (10 cm EPS; 5 mm Plaster)
- Oriented to the North.
- Measurement of long-wave and short-wave radiation and Surface Temperature
- Measurement of Temperature and RH of the Air.
- Measurement short-wave Absorptivity ( $a_{\text{short}}=0,39$ ) and long-wave Emissivity ( $\epsilon_{\text{long}}=0,96$ ) of the Surface at IBP laboratory.



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## Comparison of measured and calculated Surface Temperature



**Note: Without „Explicit Radiation Balance“ the Surface Temperature will remain beyond Air Temperature !!!**

**But: Conversion to walls or inclined Surfaces is not validated here**

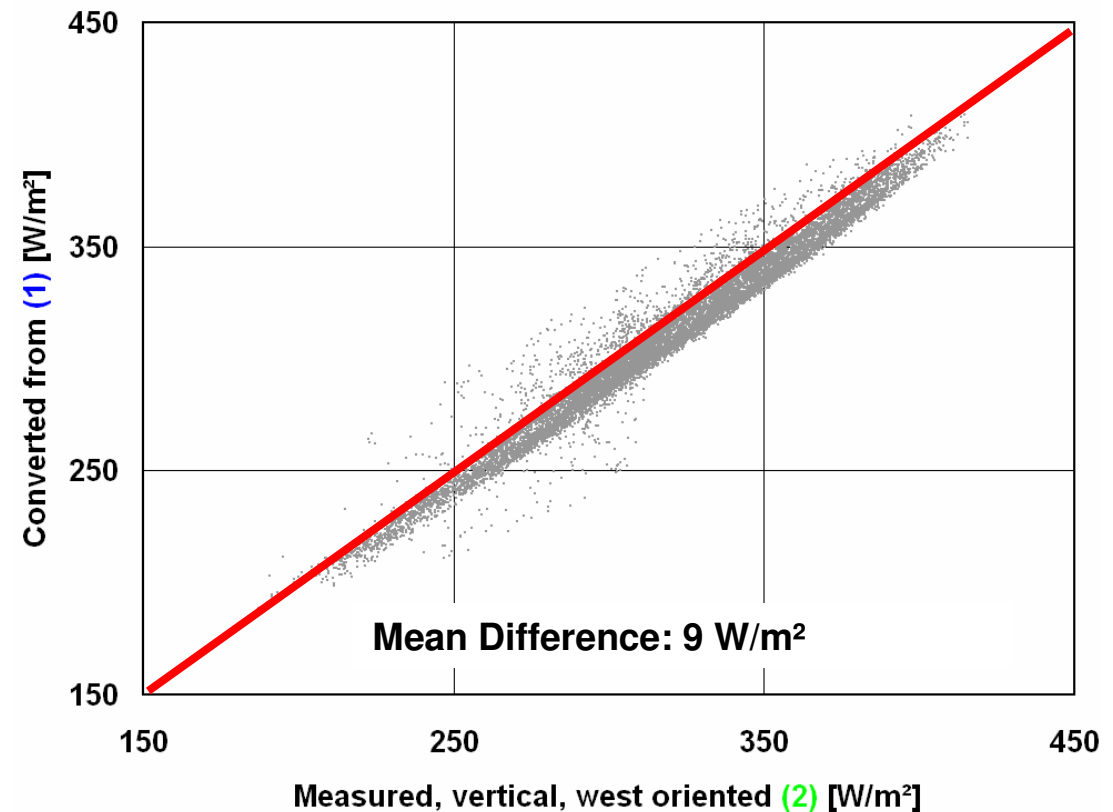


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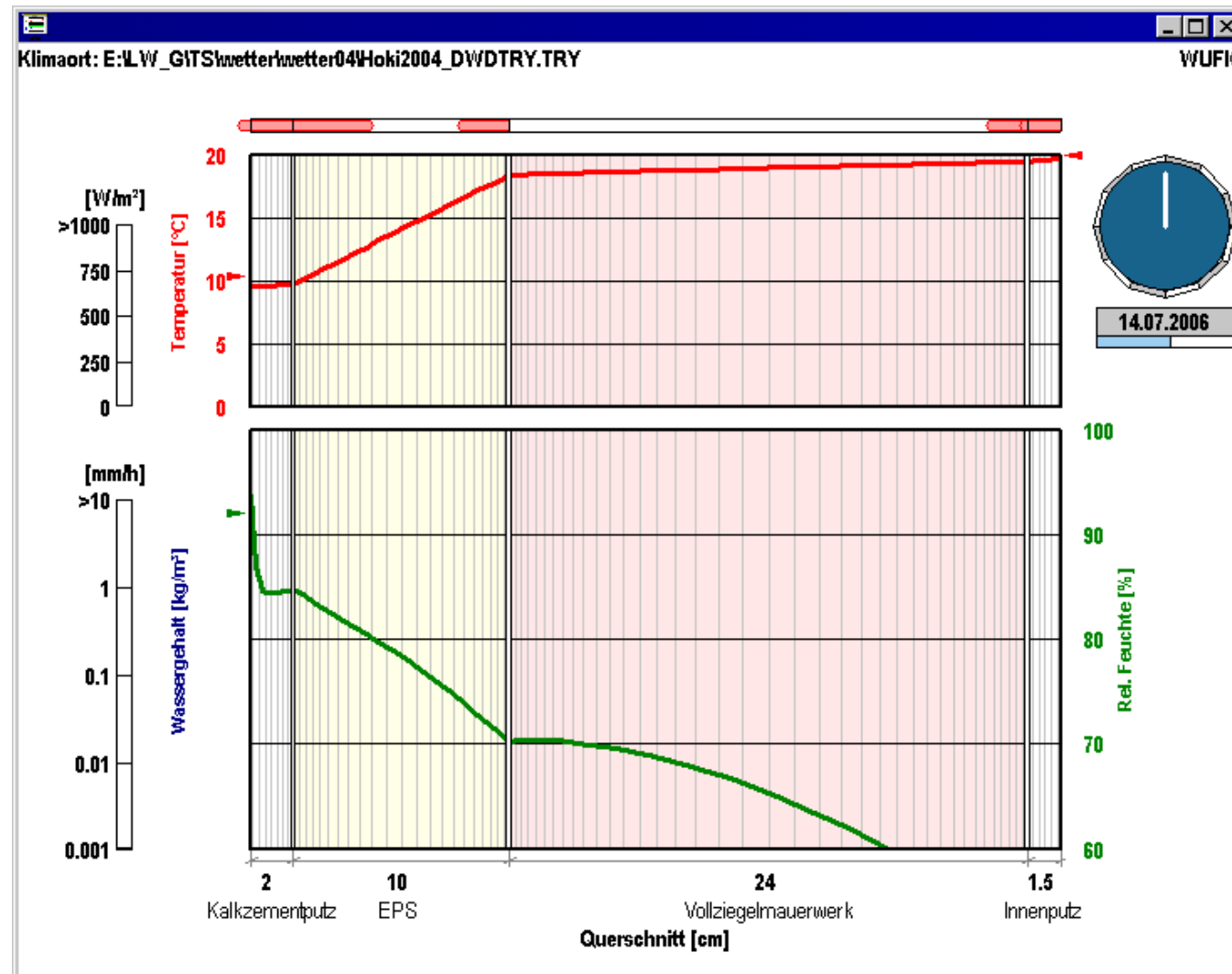
## Validation of Conversion to inclined Surfaces

(1) Measurement of the Long-Wave Radiation to the Horizontal at IBP

(2) Measurement of the Long-Wave Radiation to a west oriented vertical Surface at IBP



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WUFI®-Pro 4.1  
hygrothermal  
simulation with  
radiation balance

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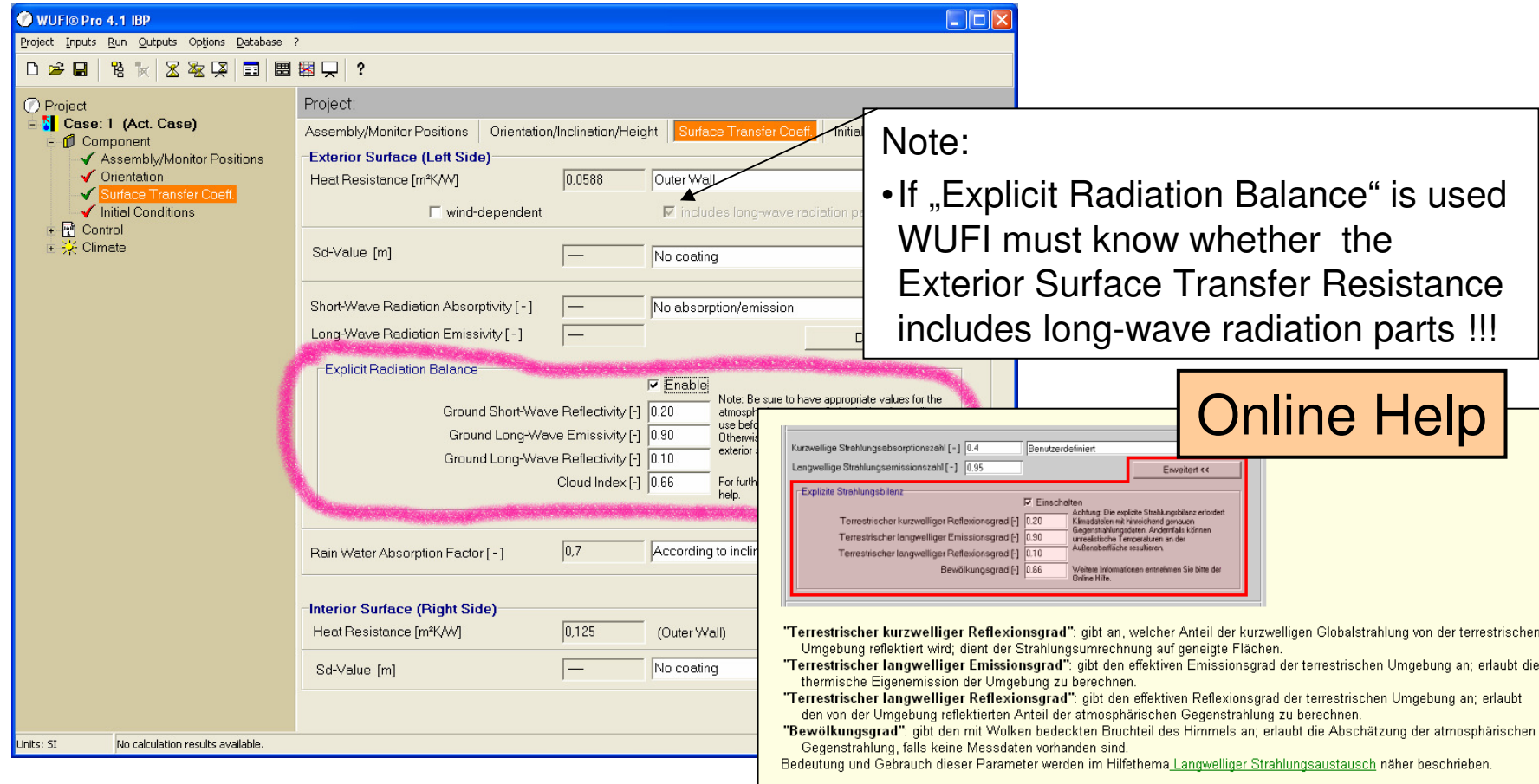
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## How to use this Radiation Model in WUFI® 4.1



**Note:**

- If „Explicit Radiation Balance“ is used WUFI must know whether the Exterior Surface Transfer Resistance includes long-wave radiation parts !!!

**Online Help**

**Explicit Radiation Balance**

Enable ☒ Note: Be sure to have appropriate values for the atmospheric use before otherwise exterior For further help.

Ground Short-Wave Reflectivity [-] 0.20  
Ground Long-Wave Emissivity [-] 0.90  
Ground Long-Wave Reflectivity [-] 0.10  
Cloud Index [-] 0.66

Rain Water Absorption Factor [-] 0.7 According to inclination

**Interior Surface (Right Side)**

Heat Resistance [m²K/W] 0.125 (Outer Wall)  
Sd-Value [m] — No coating

**Terrestrischer kurzwelliger Reflexionsgrad:** gibt an, welcher Anteil der kurzwelligen Globalstrahlung von der terrestrischen Umgebung reflektiert wird; dient der Strahlungsumrechnung auf geneigte Flächen.

**Terrestrischer langwelliger Emissionsgrad:** gibt den effektiven Emissionsgrad der terrestrischen Umgebung an; erlaubt die thermische Eigenemission der Umgebung zu berechnen.

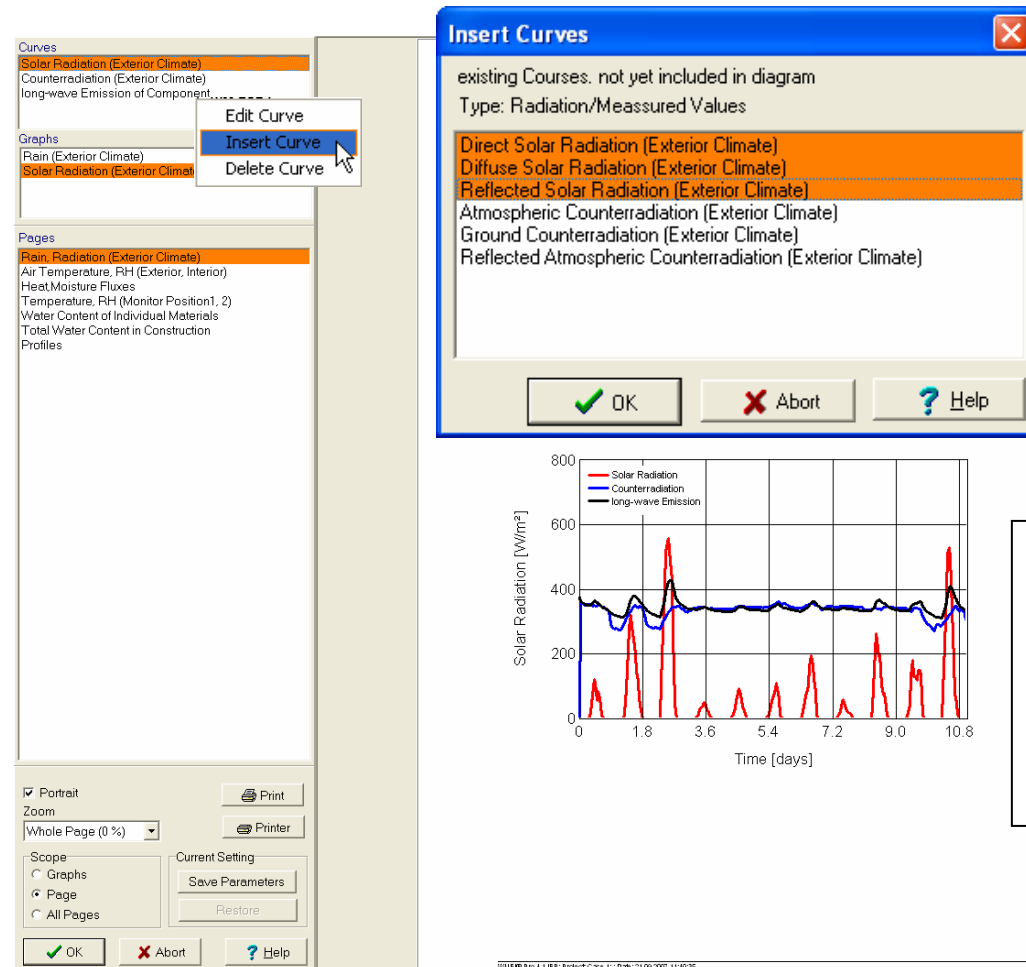
**Terrestrischer langwelliger Reflexionsgrad:** gibt den effektiven Reflexionsgrad der terrestrischen Umgebung an; erlaubt den von der Umgebung reflektierten Anteil der atmosphärischen Gegenstrahlung zu berechnen.

**Bewölkungsgrad:** gibt den mit Wolken bedeckten Bruchteil des Himmels an; erlaubt die Abschätzung der atmosphärischen Gegenstrahlung, falls keine Messdaten vorhanden sind.

Bedeutung und Gebrauch dieser Parameter werden im Hilfethema [Langwelliger Strahlungsaustausch](#) näher beschrieben.

# Radiation Effects on Exterior Surfaces

## View of all Radiation Parts in the WUFI®-Results



### Note:

- All Boundary Conditions (und thus all Irradiations to the Components Surface) are **not** multiplied with their corresponding Surface Transfer Coefficient!!!
- The Emission from the Components Surface is multiplied with the long-wave Emissivity of the Components Surface.

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## Additional Report in „Input Data / Summary“

WUFI Output:

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Rain Water Absorption Factor	[ - ]	0,7	According to inclination and construction
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**Interior (Right Side)**

Name	Unit	Value	Description
Heat Resistance	[m²K/W]	0,125	Outer Wall
Sd-Value	[m]	----	No coating

**Explicit Radiation Balance**

**Exterior (Left Side)**

Name	Value
Enabled	yes
Heat Transfer Coefficient includes long-wave radiation	yes
Terrestrial Short-Wave Reflectivity [-]	0.20
Terrestrial Long-Wave Emissivity [-]	0.90
Terrestrial Long-Wave Reflectivity [-]	0.10
Cloud Index [-]	0.66

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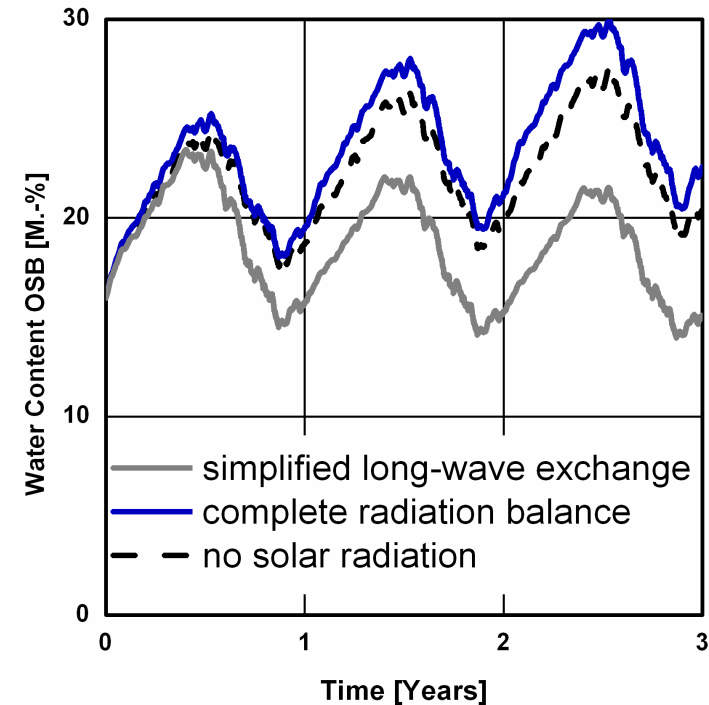
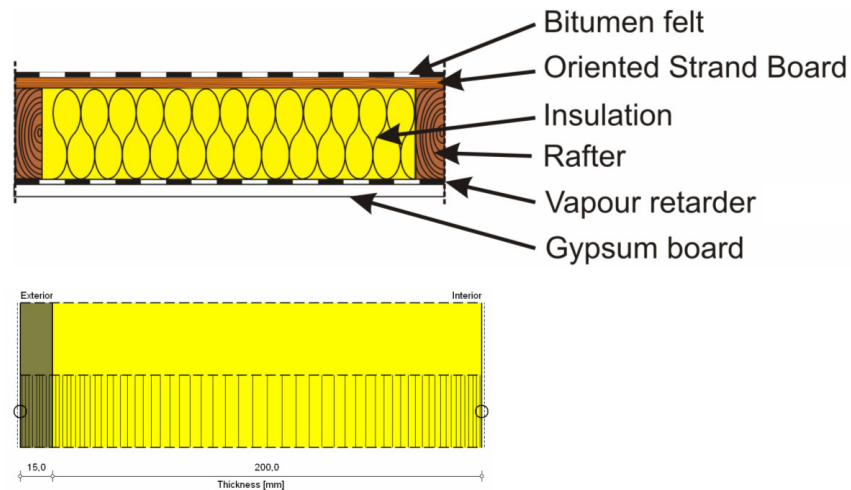
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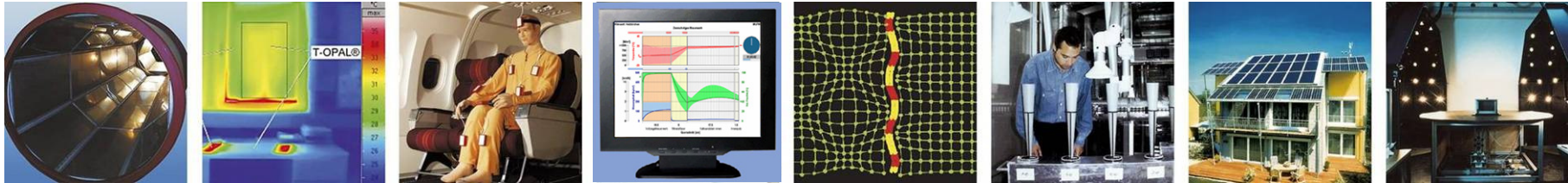
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## WUFI simulation of a white flat roof at IBP Holzkirchen (Year 2003)



- Simplified approach yields „It performs well“, but it probably will fail.
- Neglecting all radiation as supposed to produce results „on the safe side“ is problematic, too



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