Provide a summary of the main concepts that we went through about solar radiation (formulas are not needed)

1. MEAN RADIANT TEMPERATURE:

Mean radiant temperature of a given surface is the **temperature** that would have the equivalent black enclosure with which the given surface would exchange the same radiative flux that it exchanges with all the other surfaces.

2. OPERATIVE TEMPERATURE:

Operative temperature of a given surface is the **temperature of a virtual place** in which the sum of the radiative and convective thermal flow that is exchanged, is the same as the one which is exchanged with the air and all other surfaces.

3. SOLAR RADIATION DENSITY:

The solar constant G_{SC} is a flux density, measuring mean solar electromagnetic radiation (solar irradiance) per unit area. The solar constant is not a physical constant, but an **average** obtained from a varying value. This average is 1367 W/m².

4. SOLAR RADIATION CHARACTERISTICS:

Solar radiation is **attenuated** both in the spectral distribution and in the total radiation. This is due to the dispersion and absorption phenomena.

5. ATMOSPHERIC ABSORPTION:

The absorption of solar radiation is due to the atmospheric components: mostly **ozone**, water and carbon dioxide, which absorb the incident radiation in specific absorption bands, consequently modifying its energy spectrum. The stratospheric ozone absorbs almost all the ultraviolet component of solar radiation.

6. SOLAR ENERGY – AVAILABILTY:

The solar radiation depends on many factors like: the sun **position** in the sky (altitude and azimuth angles), which changes daily and seasonally; the **weather** conditions; the site **altitude** over the sea level; **sunshine** hours.

TASK 2

Create a pdf file with screenshots of all of the steps we went through in the second lesson on OpenStudio and explain briefly the reason behind the use of each step.

























