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Building and HVAC Simulation in MATLAB/Simulink – FFG Project SaLüH!

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Building and HVAC Simulation in MATLAB/Simulink

- Thermolib
- Hambase/Hamlab (van Schindel TUE) + Comsol
- Simbad (CSTB)
- International Building Physics Toolbox www.ibpt.org
- Carnot Toolbox
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Simulink, Carnot Blockset

User/Developer (next User Meeting Feb. 2018)

- Companies such as Vaillant, Viessmann
- SIJ, FH Aachen
- FHNW, HS Rapperswil
- FH Ingolstadt
- RWTH Aachen
- Uni Bayreuth
- TU Darmstadt
- TU Dortmund
- ASIC
- Uni Bologna
- Uni Innsbruck
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Scope of Building and HVAC Simulation

Investigation of

- Thermal Comfort (operative temperature ϑ_{op} , relative humidity)
- Indoor Air Quality (IAQ): CO₂, VOC, PM, etc.
- Visual Comfort / glare protection (in non-residential buildings)
- Building Performance Heating Demand (HD), Cooling Demand (CD), Heating Load (HL), Cooling Load (CL)
- System Performance (+ Control Optimization)
- (On-site) use of Renewables, load matching
- Primary Energy Savings / Reduction of CO₂-emission
- Economic Analysis (LCC)



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Renovation of small Flats with decentral Ventilation and Heating System and DHW Heat Pump (FFG Project)



- Most buildings are poor energy performance buildings
- Renovation plays a key role in achieving required reduction of CO₂emissions
- Envelope solutions are available (insulation, windows, etc.)
- Renovations in MFHs are frequently done flat-wise
- Non-disruptive solutions for renovation the HVAC system are required
- Heat Pumps represent an alternative to electric heating and DHW
 preparation (in case gas or district heat not applicable)

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Example of a small flat in a typical Multi Family House (MFH)

Floor Plan and Section



3 rooms, kitchen, bathroom, ca. 70 sqm





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Ministridik"

Example of a small flat in a Multi Family House (MFH)



- Flat-wise Renovation
- Frequently no heat emission system
- No space for technical installations
- As a consequence: Frequently electric heating and DHW preparation



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"XL" compact units for "large" PH



Effiziento HTZ 4

x² von drexel und weiss

VP 18 Compact von Nilan

Zehnder ComfoBox

AEREX BW 175

LWZ 304 SOL von Stiebel Eltron

Not applicable in small flats!

Markus Meyer, Kompakt und komfortabel Lüftungskompaktanlagen und Alternativen für das Passivhaus



Mini-Split / Multi-Split

Example of Mini-Split Systems





http://www.mitsubishicomfort.com/



http://www.toshiba-klima.de/

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Single Split / Multi Split

- Heating and cooling with one device
- Various indoor unit designs
- Rel. good performance (SCOP > 3)
- Heating capacity from 2.5 to 12 kW
- Flexible design
- Rel. high cost for multi-split
- Challenging heat distribution for single split
- in combination with radiant heater

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Multi-Split Unit



Multi-Splits:

several indoor and one outdoor unit:

- + Individual temperature control
- Performance
- rel. high cost

additional bathroom radiator (towel dryer, convector, radiant heater) *MVHR not depicted*

VRF for simultaneous heating and cooling (heat recovery)

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Heating with single Split Unit (Overheating of Corridor)



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Compact Systems for Façade Integration

MVHR with exhaust air heat pump (with hot gas bypass for deicing) Functional Model and ...

...iNSPiRe Demo-Building, Ludwigsburg (WB-L, G+M) *EU-project iNSPiRe (fp7)*

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Supply Air Heat Pump (façade integrated) with radiant heater

Supply air heating (with MVHR) for PH

- + Rel. low costs
- No individual room control
- Performance

additional bathroom radiator (towel dryer, convector, radiant heater)

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Sanierungsansätze für Lüftung,

Supply Air Heat Pump (façade integrated) with radiant heater

Heizung und Warmwasser

Supply air heating (with MVHR)

- + Higher heating power (EnerPhit)
- + Individual room control
- Higher costs
- Lower performance (electric heating)

additional bathroom radiator (towel dryer, convector, radiant heater)

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Supply Air Heat Pump with recirculation

Supply air heating (with MVHR) for **EnerPHit**

- + higher heating power (EnerPHit)
- Higher installation effort (ducts)

additional bathroom radiator (towel dryer, convector, radiant heater)

MVHR with Micro-HP with additional ambient air

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Heating Load and Supply Air Heating

- Maximum heating load with supply air heating per room: 20 W/m²
 - Heating load only via supply air rooms
 - Hygienic flow rate!
- Maximum heating load with recirculation air: > 50 W/m²
 - Overheating: approx. 1 K

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Simulation of refrigerant cycle and moist air properties with MATLAB and CoolProp

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Zoning - Section and simplfied scheme

\Rightarrow 2, 3 or more zones

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Zoning - Section and simplfied scheme

 \Rightarrow 5 or 6 zones for flat + 1 or 2 zone for building

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Building Model Physics – Performance and Accuracy

- Model Physics (Radiation)
 - Two-Star
 - Star-Node
 - Radiosity (physics)
- Model Physics (Convection)
 - Ideally mixed
 - Stratified
 - CFD
- Model Physics (Transmission)
 - Transfer Function
 - R-C wall
 - 2D/3D (FD or FE)
- Model Physics (Window)
- Humidity
 - Hygrothermal wall

- Moisture Buffer
- Air Quality
 - CO₂
 - VO_C
- Heat Emission Model
 - Radiator
 - Radiant Ceiling/Floor
 - Fan Coil)
- HVAC
 - Look up Table
 - Black Box Model
 - Physical Model

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Model Physics - Convective Node

Model Physics - Radiation Exchange

- Two star and Star node model
 - Non-physical
 - Radiation exchange with virtual radiation
 - Sufficiently accurate dynamics
 - Sufficiently accurate representation of operative temperature
- Radiosity Model
 - Physically correct
 - Radiation exchange from surface to surface
 - Spatial distribution of radiative temperature
 - Radiation temperature asymmetry
 - Possibility to predict local comfort

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3D-Model in Comsol Multiphysics (FE-Model)

Result: View Factor

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Multi-Zone Simulation with Air-Coupling in MATLAB/Simulink

Air exchange between thermal zones

$$\dot{m} = C \cdot |\Delta P|^n$$

$$|\Delta P| = |\Delta \rho_{12} \cdot g \cdot H|$$

$$C = 0.5 \cdot C_d \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot H \cdot L \cdot \sqrt{\tilde{\rho}}$$

Hygrothermal Wall Modell

Energy Conservation and Mass Conservation

Coupled system of ODEs

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial \varphi} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(D_{m,\varphi} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} + D_{m,T} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right)$$
$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial T} \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial h}{\partial \varphi} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(D_{e,T} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + D_{e,\varphi} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} \right)$$

solved with MATLAB pdepe function

$$c\left(x,t,u,\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right)\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = x^{-m}\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left(x^m f\left(x,t,u,\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right)\right) + s\left(x,t,u,\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right)$$

and MATLAB/Simulink S-function

PDE for Simulink

- Simulink solves ODEs
- Generate system of ODE from PDE with "Method of Lines"
- Update of PDE Parameter with time
- Integration by Simulink

Source: Ochs et al. 2012, Bausim, Berlin Prüfert, TUB, 2012

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Modelling Ground Heat Exchanger

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Example: Facade integrated MHVR

Other examples of 2 D Heat Transfer:

- Ground coupling (2D)
- Thermal Bridges (2D)
- Ground heat exchanger

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MATLAB/Simulink Building Model (Object Oriented)

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Multi-Zone Building i MATLAB/Simulink

Temperature Distribution - SaLüH! Reference Building

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Supply Air Heating (no recirculation), no bath heater

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Overheating of corridor

Door air exchange model: BR/CHILD/SLEEP (Closed), KITCH/LIVING (Opened)

Individual (room-wise) post-heater

No individual (room-wise) post-heater

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Simulation Results – Heating demand and heating load

Simulation	HEAT]	'ING DEMAI kWh/m²a]	ND	HEATING LOAD [W/m ²]		
	Supply air	Electr. Heater	Total	Air heating	Electr. Heater	
REF	24.8	3.4	28.2	13.2	5.1	
Corridor Overheating (24 °C)	0.0	48.1	48.1	0.0	17.8	
Corridor Overheating "symmetric BC"	0.0	23.8	23.8	0.0	13.3	
Corridor Overheating "symmetric BC"						
No room post-heater	0.0	22.9	22.9	0	10.6	

Door air exchange model:

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Research Projects

- EU iNSPiRe (fp7)
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- IEA HPT Annex 49

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