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Opening the Black Box of Building Performance Simulation and Building Enclosure

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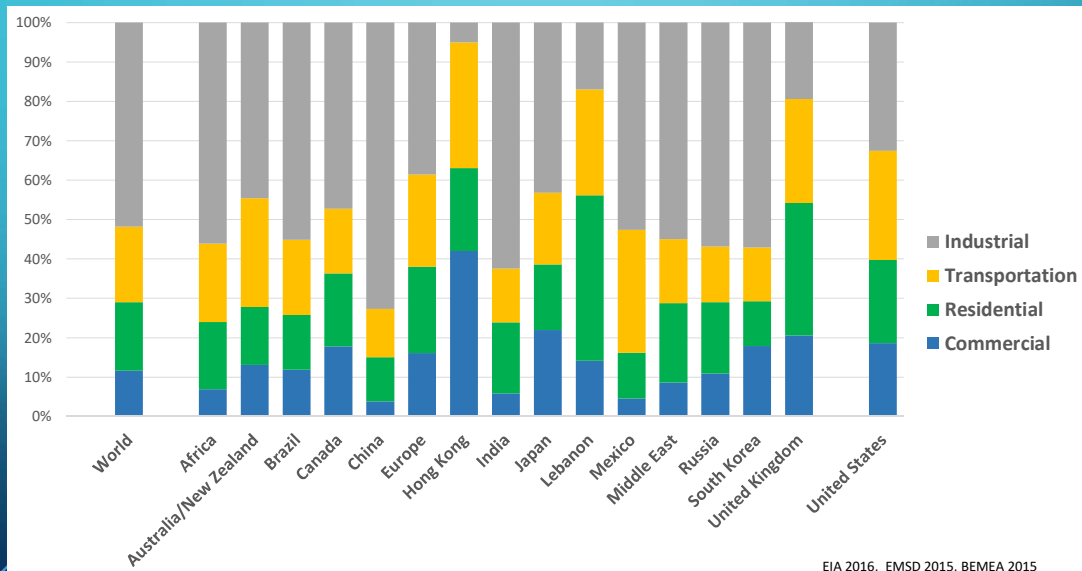
- Describe how buildings use energy and the building sector's relationship to overall energy use in the United States.
- Identify new technologies affecting energy use in buildings.
- Define BIM and explain methods for getting BIM data into building simulation software.
- Identify new methods for creating building models for existing buildings
- Provide strategies for specifying building enclosure materials to improve performance

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The building industry is undergoing profound change with amazing new technologies and systems available to make our buildings better—more sustainable, resilient and energy-efficient. Over the last 50 years, building simulation has evolved into a powerful tool for evaluating the energy performance of potential or existing buildings. Building simulation allows easy comparison of the energy and environmental performance of many hundreds of building envelope and other building systems. The buildings touted today as 'net-zero-energy' or 'sustainable' would not be possible without energy simulation—but no single simulation tool can model all aspects of our buildings today.

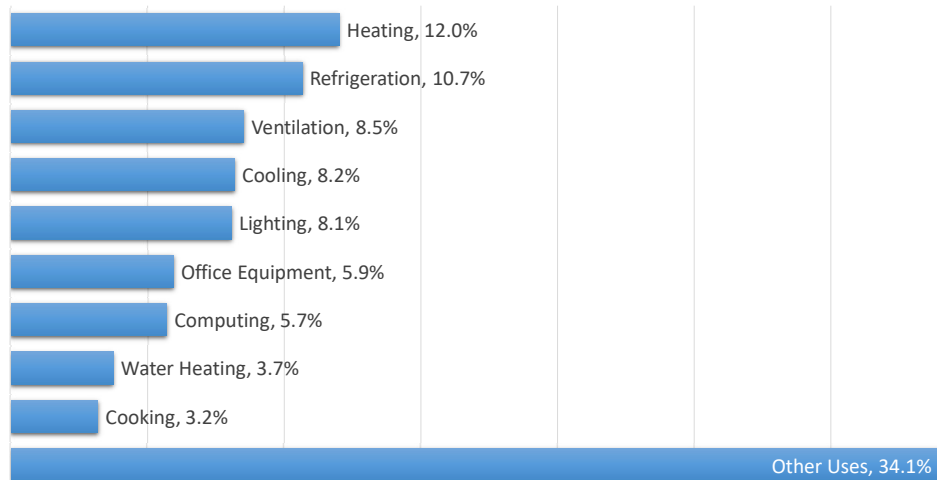
This presentation provides an overview of trends and drivers affecting building enclosure and the building industry as well as an overview of building performance simulation fundamentals and history, Building Information Modeling (BIM), what's in the black box of key simulation programs, comparing underlying simulation methods, and how these can be used to design better building envelopes.

BUILDINGS ENERGY USE WORLDWIDE



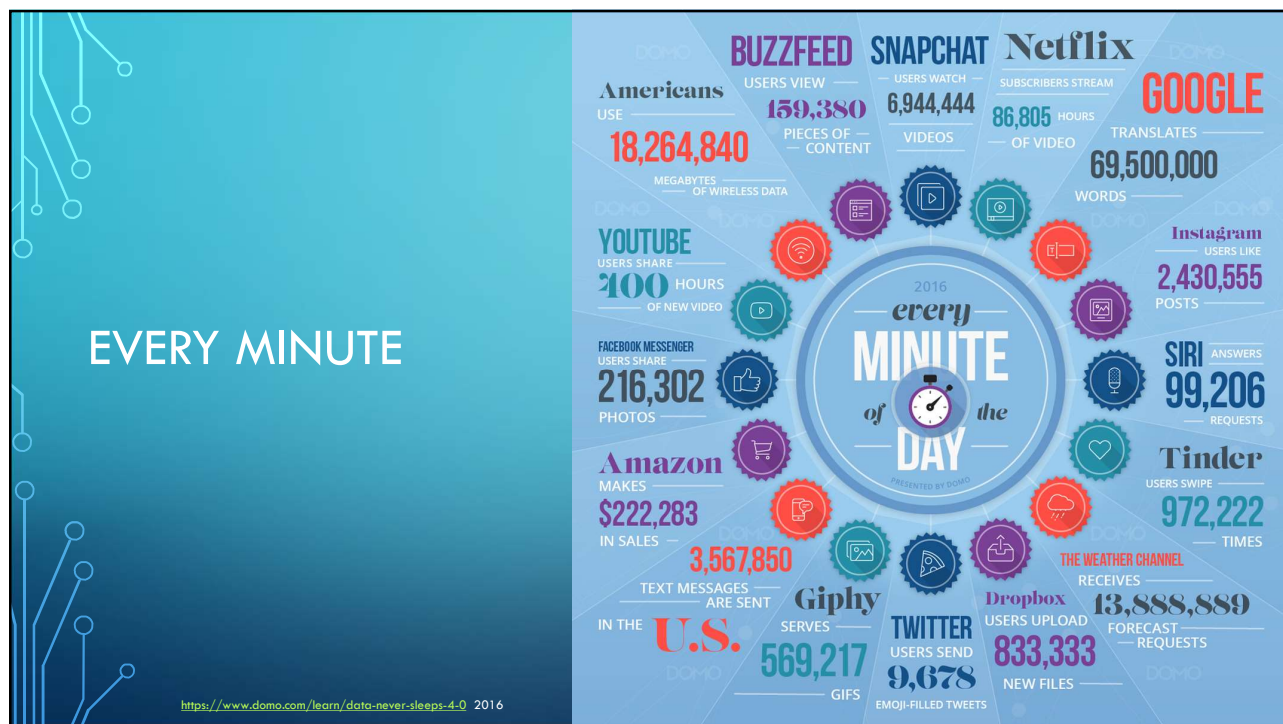
U.S. BUILDINGS ENERGY USE

Commercial Buildings Energy End-Uses 2017



US Energy Information Administration. 2018. *Annual Energy Outlook 2018* EIA-0383 (2018) (2017 data)

TRENDS: BUILDINGS, TECHNOLOGY, AND TOOLS



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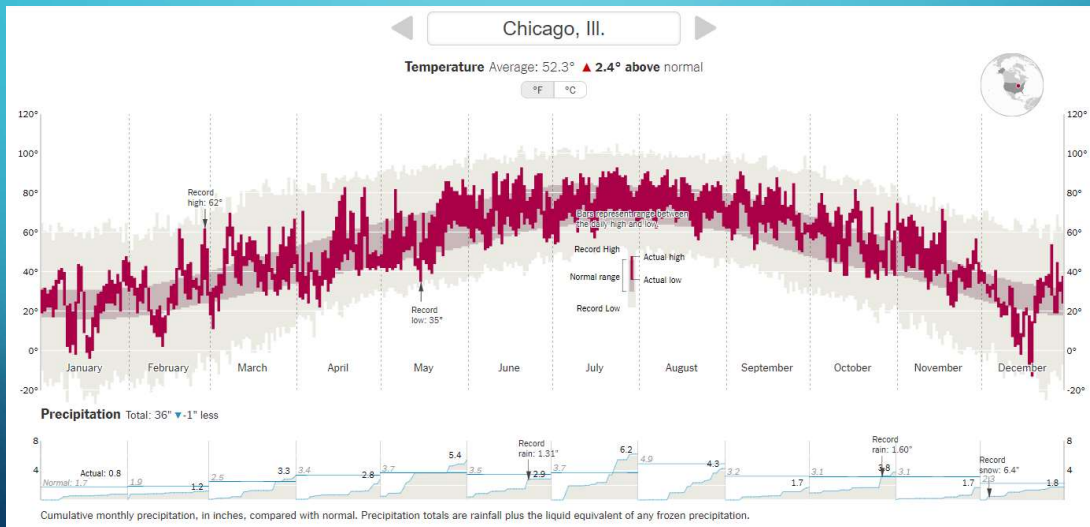
The Four Global Forces Breaking All The Trends

NO ORDINARY DISRUPTION

Richard Dobbs, James Manyika, and Jonathan Woetzel

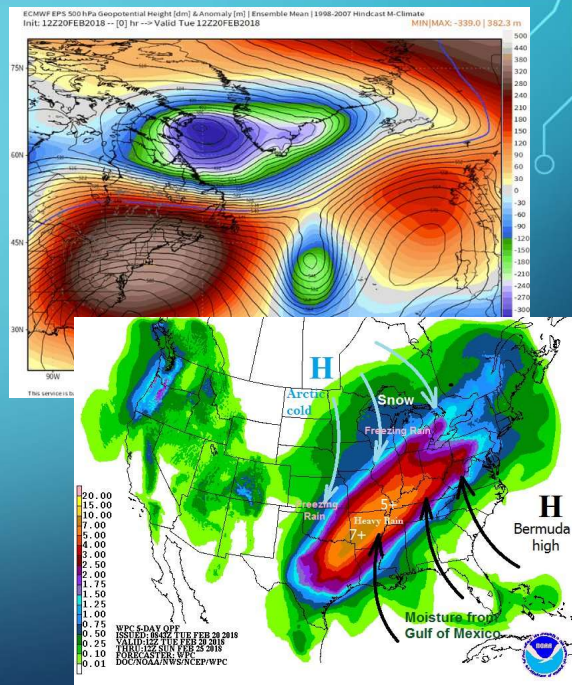
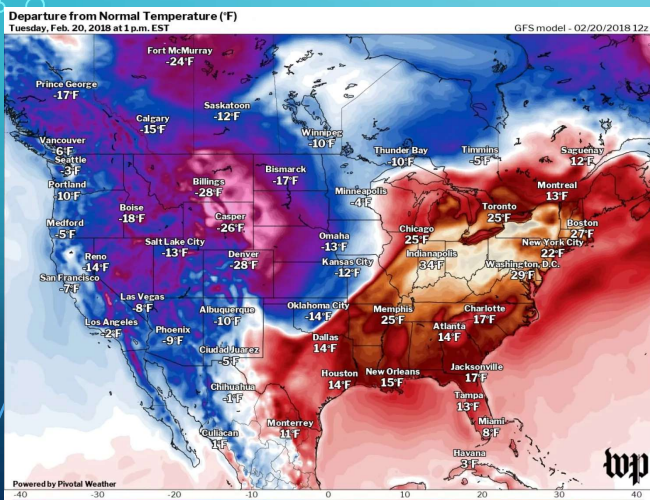
- Urbanization (Beyond Shanghai)
- Accelerating Technological Change (Tip of the Iceberg)
- Challenges of an Aging World (getting old isn't what it used to be)
- Greater Global Connections (trade, people, finance and data)

HOW MUCH WARMER WAS 2016?



<https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2017/01/18/world/how-much-warmer-was-your-city-in-2016.html>

CLIMATE DISRUPTION



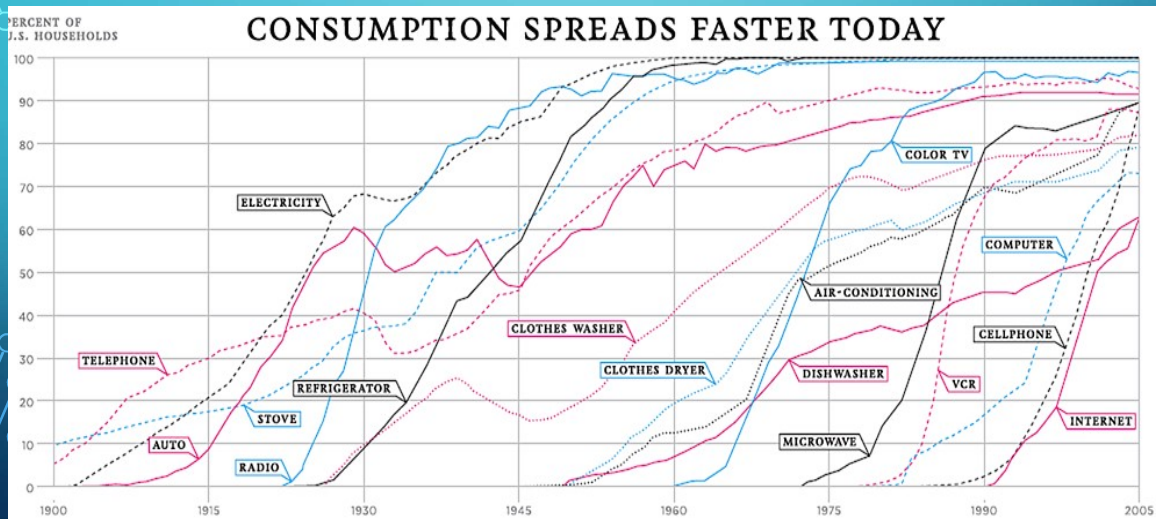
BUILDING INDUSTRY TRENDS

- Centralization of Ownership (large chains, owners)
- Energy price deregulation
- Climate change mitigation ~~/carbon regulation~~
- Green/sustainable/living buildings
- BIM /digital modeling
- Benchmarking/data!
- NZEB/NZEC
- IoT/Smart everything
- Resilience

POLICY DRIVERS: BUILDINGS ARE GETTING BETTER

- Economic and environmental drivers
- Mandatory performance metrics: national and local codes and standards... but are they enforced?
- Voluntary performance metrics (LEED, BEAM, BREEAM, BEPAC, others)
- National and international policy
 - Climate Change but what are nations doing?
 - Kyoto Protocol/Paris Accord
 - EU began mandatory building performance labeling in 2009 (EPD) ...
 - US energy policy continues to be voluntary approach, with mandatory minimum standards

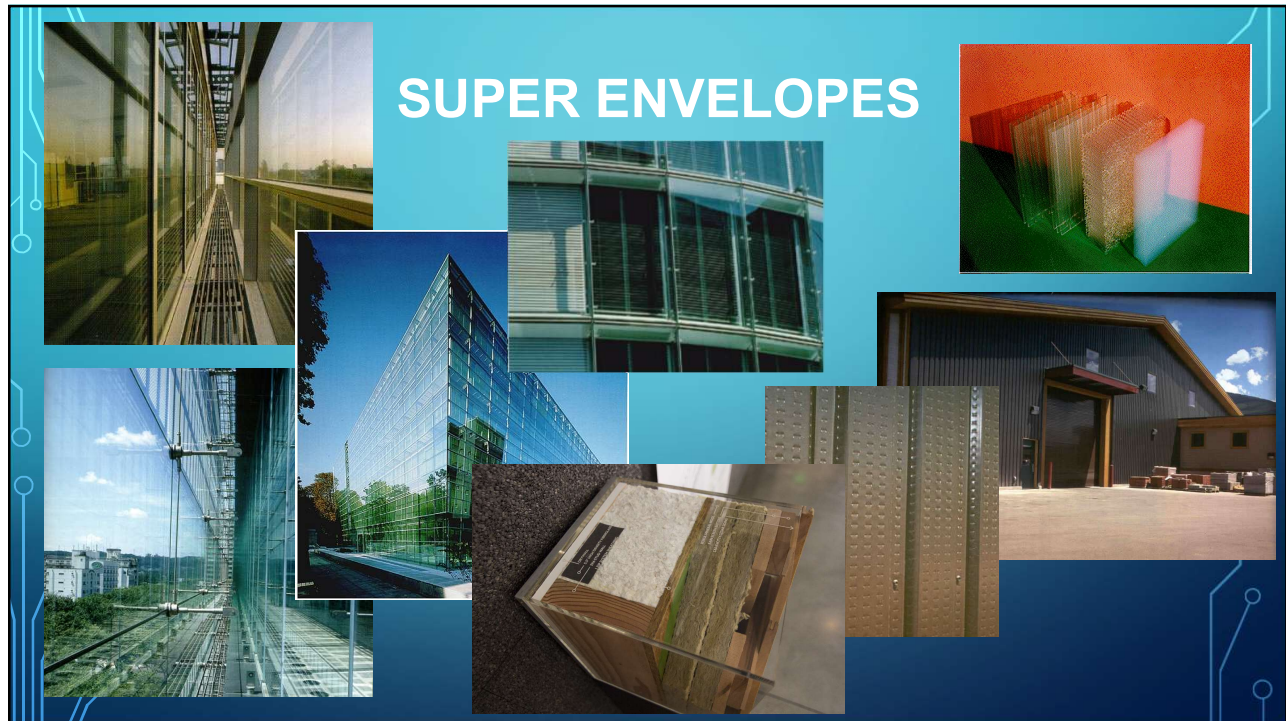
TECHNOLOGY PENETRATION IS ACCELERATING



TECHNOLOGY CHANGE IN 20 YEARS





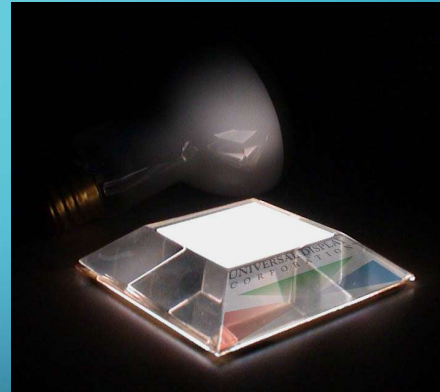
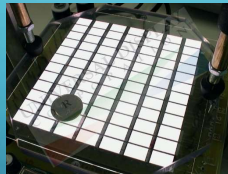




PHOTOVOLTAIC POWER



NEW TECHNOLOGY – SSL AND OLED



Lighting is undergoing a revolution: LEDs use much lower energy with expected life of years (decades?). New forms (no longer restricted to Edison shape lamps, 4 ft fluorescents)

NEXT TO HIT THE MARKET – OLEDs!



Prototype OLED Wallpaper



FUEL CELLS, MICROTURBINES, DC, BATTERIES



MIMICKING NATURE

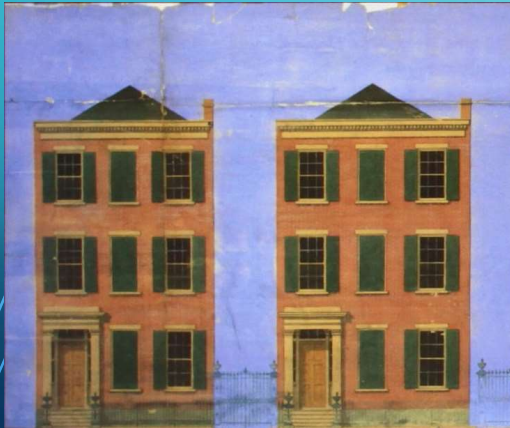


<http://www.technologyreview.com/Energy/20379/page2/>

“Every building is a forecast. Every forecast is wrong.”

Stewart Brand

How Buildings Learn, What Happens after they're Built



BUILDING PERFORMANCE SIMULATION TRENDS

- New tools/capabilities in established tools
 - Interoperability—IAI IFC, XML, BIM Standards
 - Visualization/VR
 - Cloud
 - Integration—thermal, CFD, electrical, IEQ, visual
 - Risk assessment (insurance)
 - Embodied energy, LCI/LCA, toxicity of built environment
 - Emissions
- More tools, not fewer, customized to user needs
- Users continue to want more at lower effort

WARNING! *Do you know what default values you're using?*

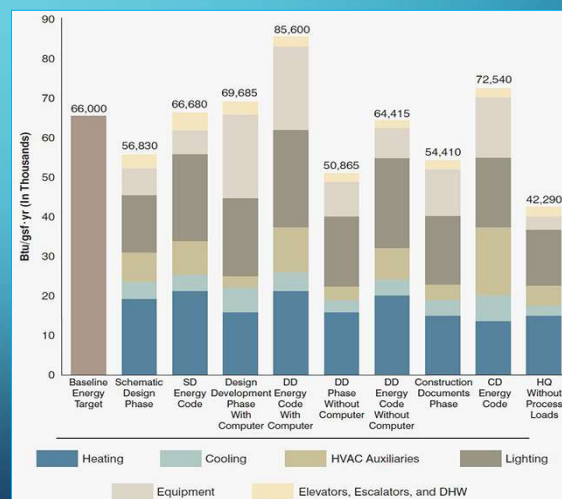
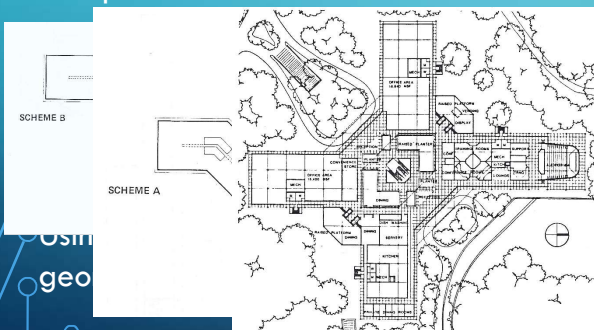
SIMULATION VS. OPERATING ENERGY

- Simulation critical in supporting decision-making for building design and operation of low- and zero-energy buildings
- BUT, compared to simulations, real buildings
 - use more energy
 - produce less power
 - have worse controls
 - have more occupant complaints
 - GIGO
 - Not enough information!



TRADITIONAL SIMULATION WORKFLOW CHALLENGES

- Early design through construction documents — with increasing detail, multiple solutions



Hall and Crawley 2011

BUILDING INFORMATION MODEL/MODELING

- **Building Information Model:**

- Digital representation of physical and functional characteristics of a facility. . . shared knowledge resource for information about a facility, forming a reliable basis for decisions during its life cycle from inception onward.¹

- **Building Information Modeling:**

- Using BIM software and other related software, hardware and technologies in a building information model.²

- 1 NIBS 2015
- 2 Jernigan 2007

➔ **Information Mobility**

BIM TO SIM(ULATION)

- **Translate BIM to Simulation**

- BuildingSMART IFCs (Industry Foundation Classes)
 - Any BIM software that supports interoperability, available since 2001
 - **Limited** to what BIM tools decide to export—typically only geometry
- gbXML
- Autodesk Green Building Studio
 - Web-based conversion of major BIM formats to energy simulation inputs
 - Limited coverage
 - Can require users to create their BIM drawings in structured way (may not follow designer regular workflow)

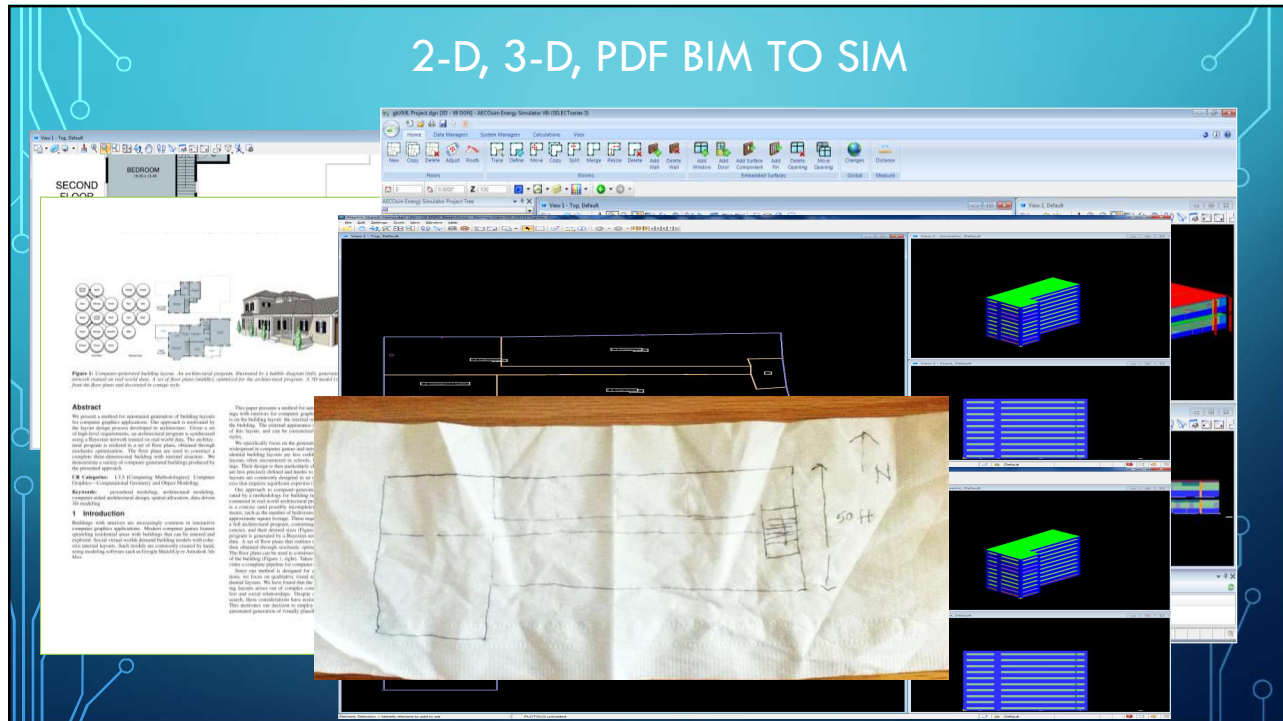


- **Direct from BIM to Simulation**

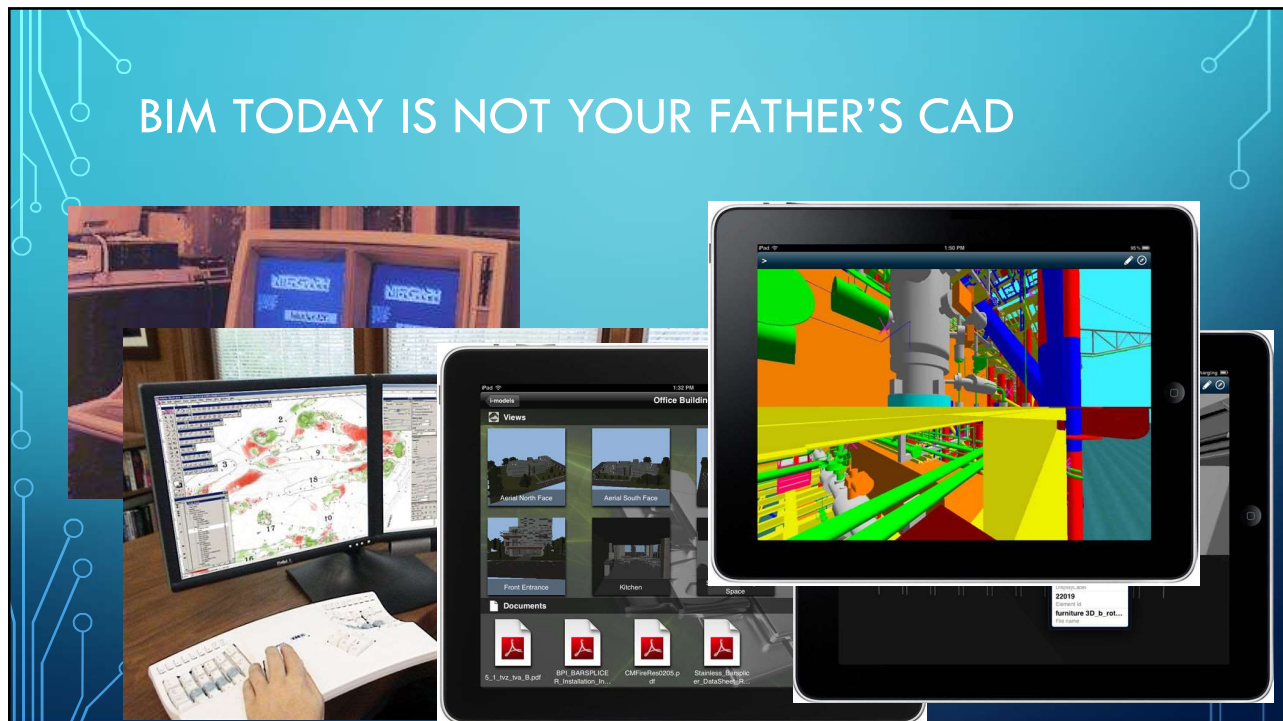
- Major tools have in-built simulation or directly export to one or more simulation tools

- Interoperability is key to getting energy simulation mainstream. Other drivers—zero-energy buildings and green building rating systems

2-D, 3-D, PDF BIM TO SIM



BIM TODAY IS NOT YOUR FATHER'S CAD



THE CHALLENGE OF EXISTING BUILDINGS

- Existing building often means no 3-D model, maybe no drawings
- Drawings often are design or construction – not as-built
- Result?
 - Takeoffs from drawings
 - Field verification/measurements
 - Manual translation/interpretation of data
 - Lots of time better spent evaluating alternatives

NEW MODELING TECHNOLOGIES AVAILABLE

- LiDAR (Light and raDAR)
 - Remotely measures distance by illuminating a target with a laser and analyzing the reflected light
 - High resolution accuracy but limited density
 - Can be expensive to implement
- Photogrammetry
 - Uses automated triangulation of a series of photographs to mathematically create 3-D meshes or point clouds
 - Depends on quality of photos and fit of triangulation
 - Can be used for creating a 3-D mesh with draped images
 - Works well with aerial drones

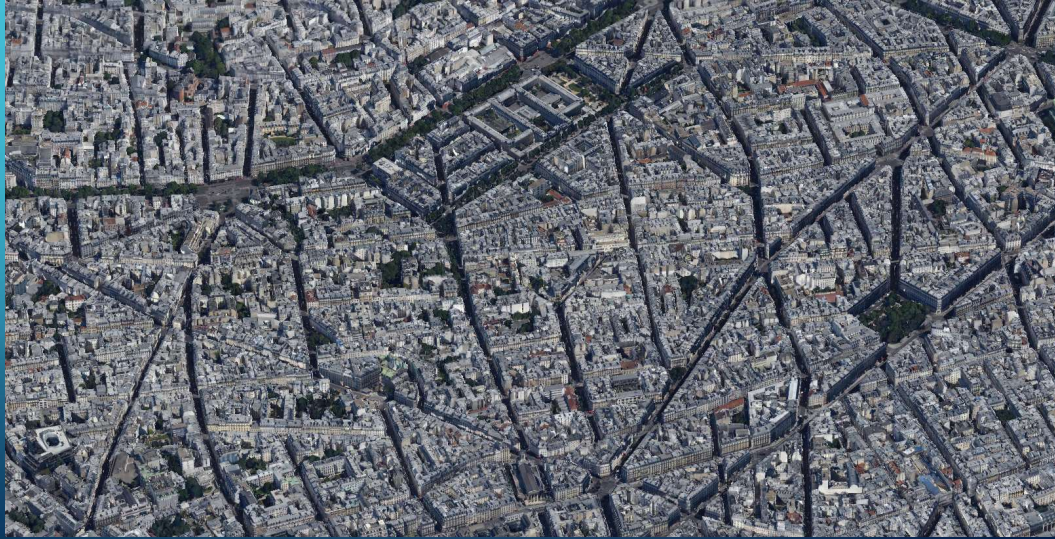
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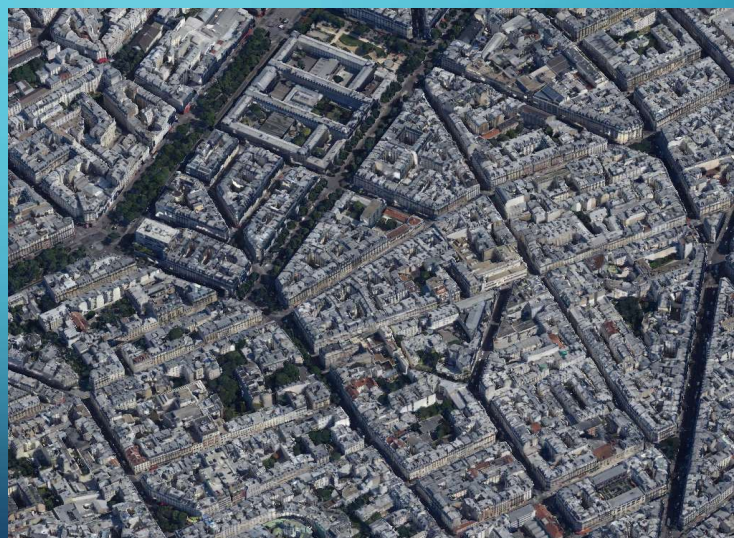
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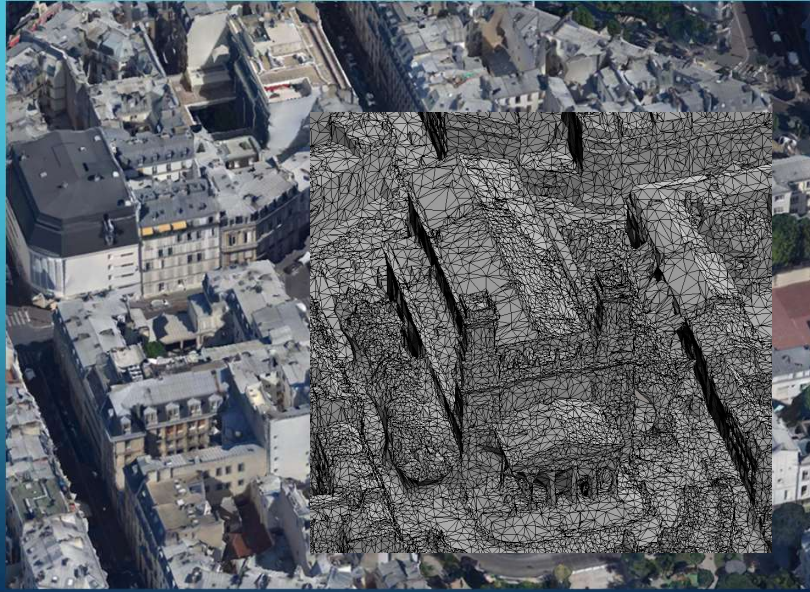
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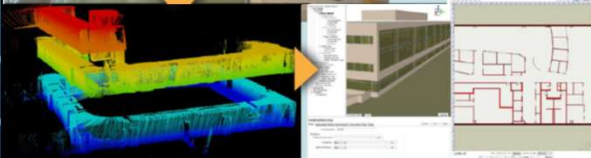
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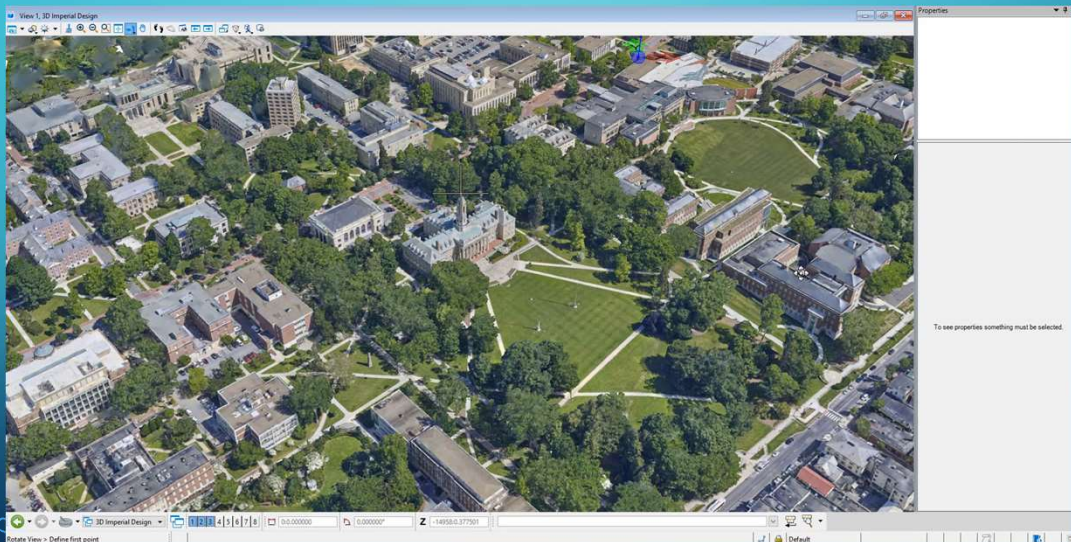
CREATING MODELS FROM PHOTOS OR CAPTURED DATA



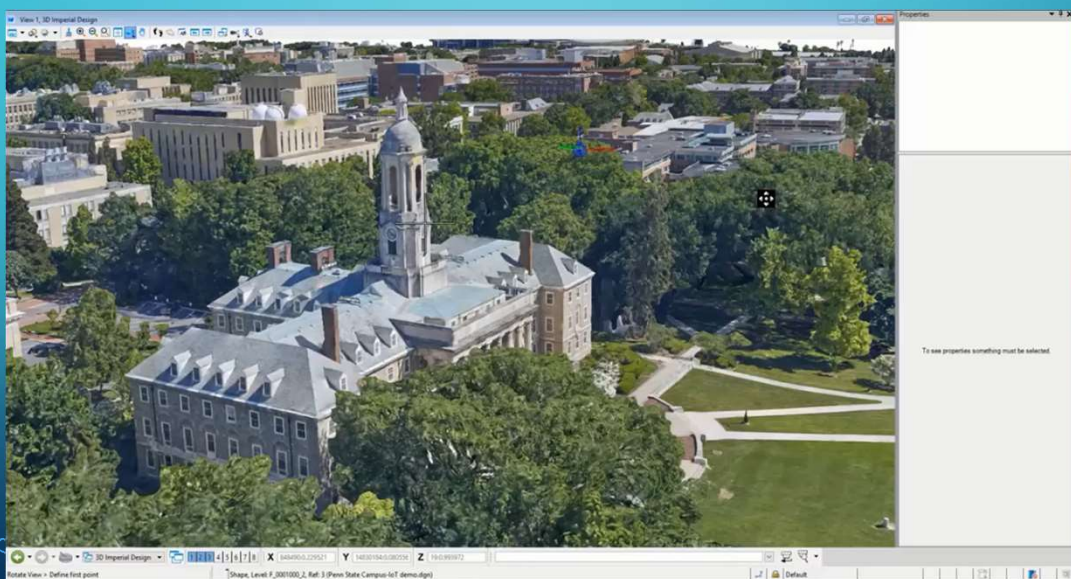
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MODELING THE CAMPUS



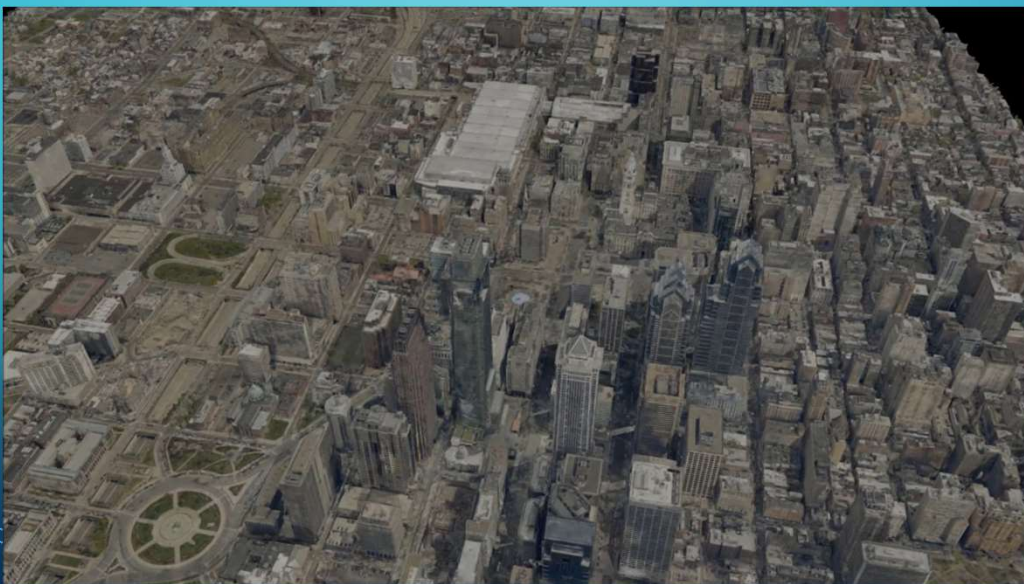
VISUALIZE SPACE UTILIZATION



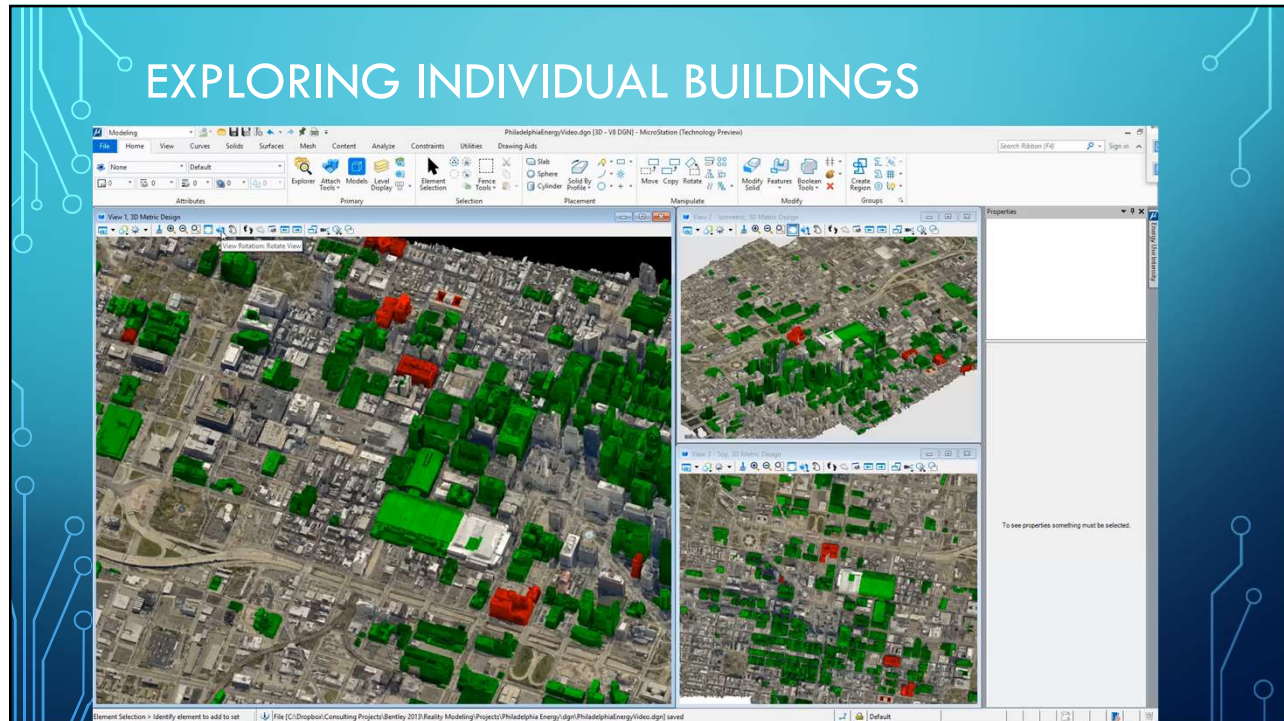
MERGING VIRTUAL REALITY MODEL WITH DATA



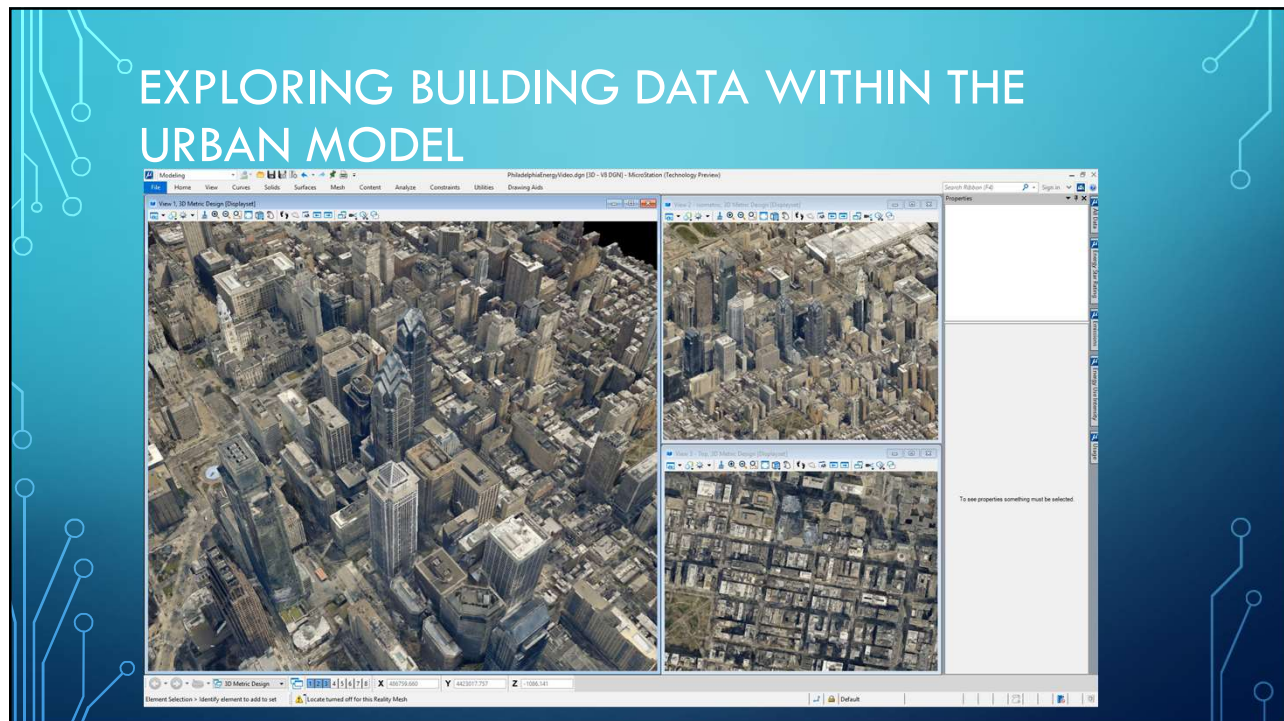
ENERGY AND WATER



EXPLORING INDIVIDUAL BUILDINGS



EXPLORING BUILDING DATA WITHIN THE URBAN MODEL



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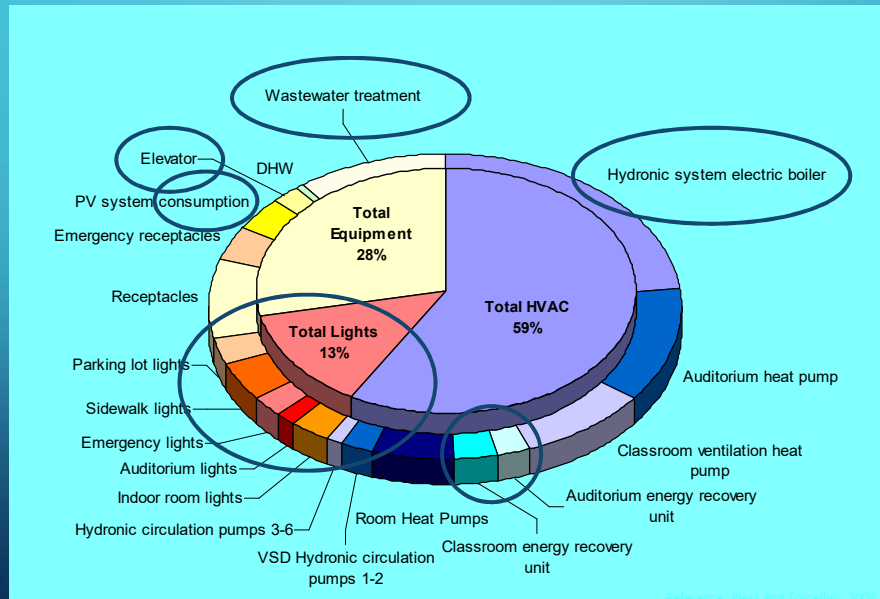
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Building Performance Simulation

END-USE ENERGY: MORE DETAILS ARE BETTER!



WHAT IS BUILDING PERFORMANCE SIMULATION?

Software which emulates the ***dynamic interaction*** of heat, light, mass (air and moisture) and sound ***within the building*** to predict its ***energy and environmental performance*** as it is exposed to climate, occupants, conditioning systems, and noise sources

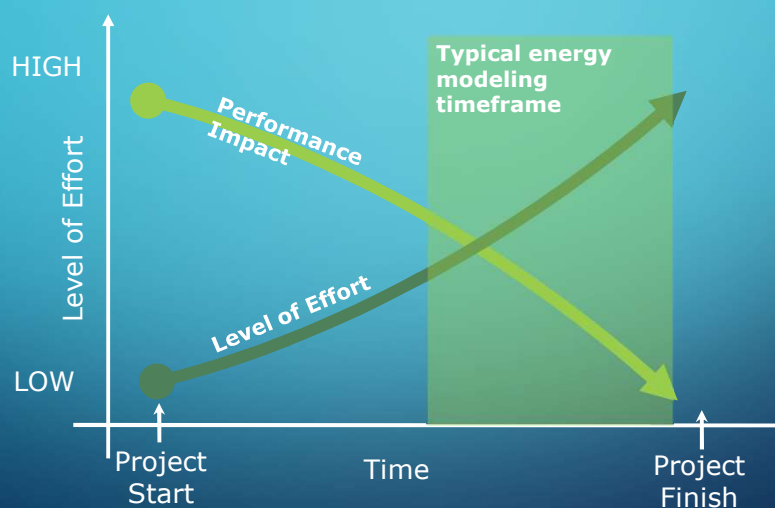
TYPES OF PROGRAMS AVAILABLE

- Simpler programs for overall energy consumption assessment, peak temperature prediction, heating/cooling loads calculations
- More complex programs for (sub)hourly simulation of heat, moisture, light and air movement
- Specialist packages, for lighting, computational fluid dynamics (CFD), acoustics, two- and three-dimensional conduction calculations
- Integrated design and analysis systems combining several

Building
Practitioners

Experts

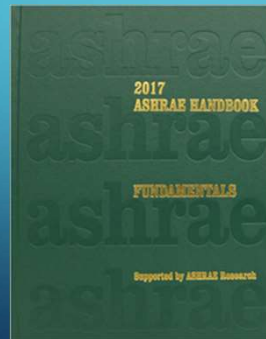
EARLY DECISIONS ARE THE MOST IMPORTANT



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Chapter 19

Energy Estimating and Modeling Methods



CHAPTER 19 ENERGY ESTIMATING AND MODELING METHODS

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ENERGY requirements of HVAC systems directly affect a building's operating cost and indirectly affect the environment. This chapter discusses methods for estimating energy use for two purposes: modeling for building and HVAC system design and associated design optimization (*forward modeling*), and modeling energy use of existing buildings for establishing baselines, calculating energy savings, and implementing model predictive control (*data-driven modeling*) (Armstrong et al. 2016a; Givoni et al. 2012; Krarti 2016).

GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

MODELS AND APPROACHES

A mathematical model is a description of the behavior of a system. It is made up of three components (Duck and Soudki 1977):

1. **Input variables** (sometimes called these response variables, whereas physical variables are the driving variables), which act on the system. There are two types: controllable by the experimenter (e.g., internal gains, thermal settings), and uncontrollable (e.g., climate).
2. **System structure and parameters/properties**, which provide the necessary physical description of the system (e.g., thermal mass or mechanical properties of the elements).
3. **Output (response or dependent) variables**, which describe the behavior of the system in the input variables. Energy use is often a response variable.

The values of mathematical modeling as applied to physical systems involve determining the third component of a system when the other two components are given or specified. There are two broad but distinct approaches to modeling, which to use is dictated by the objectives or purposes of the modeling (Elliott 1988).

Forward (Classical) Approach. The objective is to predict the output variables of a specified model with known, varying and known parameters when subject to specified input variables. To ensure accuracy, models have tended to become increasingly detailed, especially with the advent of inexpensive, powerful computing. This approach preserves knowledge not only of the various natural phenomena affecting system behavior but also of the magnitude of various parameters (e.g., effective thermal mass and mechanical properties). The main advantage of this approach is that the system used can be physically built and tested in a laboratory. Thus, the forward modeling approach is ideal in the preliminary design and analysis stage and is most often used then.

Forward modeling of building energy use begins with a physical description of the building system's component of interest. For example, building geometry, geographical location, physical characteristics (e.g., wall material and thickness), type of equipment and operating schedules, type of HVAC system, building operating schedule, plant equipment, etc., can specify the peak and average energy use of such a building can then be predicted or simulated by the forward simulation model. The primary benefit of this method is that it is based on sound engineering principles usually taught in colleges and universities and consequently has gained widespread acceptance by the design and professional community. Major simulation codes, such as TRNSYS, DOE-2, EnergyPlus, and ESP-r, are based on forward simulation models.

Figure 1 shows the analysis steps typically included in a building energy simulation program. Previously, the steps were performed independently; each step was completed for the entire year.

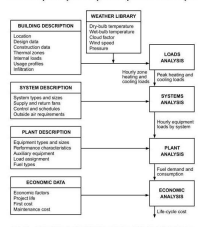


Fig. 1 Flow Chart for Building Energy Simulation Program (Adapted from Chapter 19)

Thermostat of this chapter is subject to TC 4.5, Energy Calculations.

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EARLY DAYS OF SIMULATION IN US – NBSLD 1970S

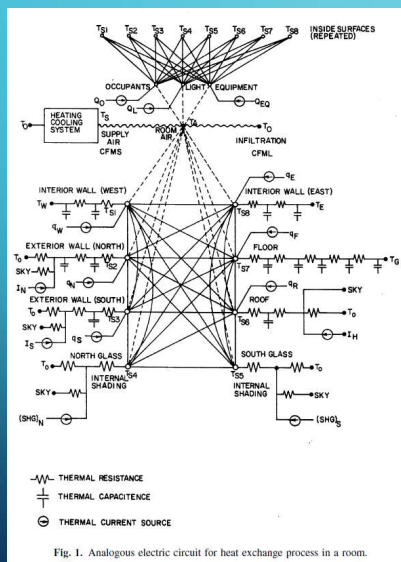


Fig. 1. Analogous electric circuit for heat exchange process in a room.

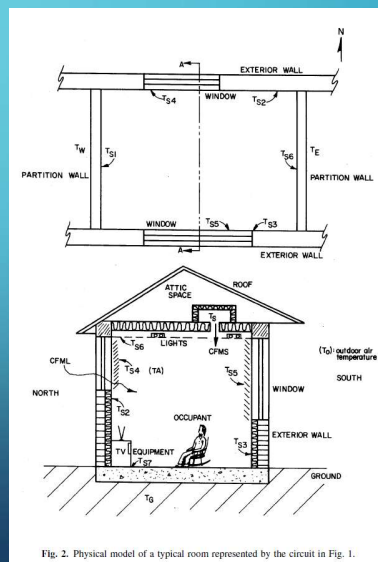
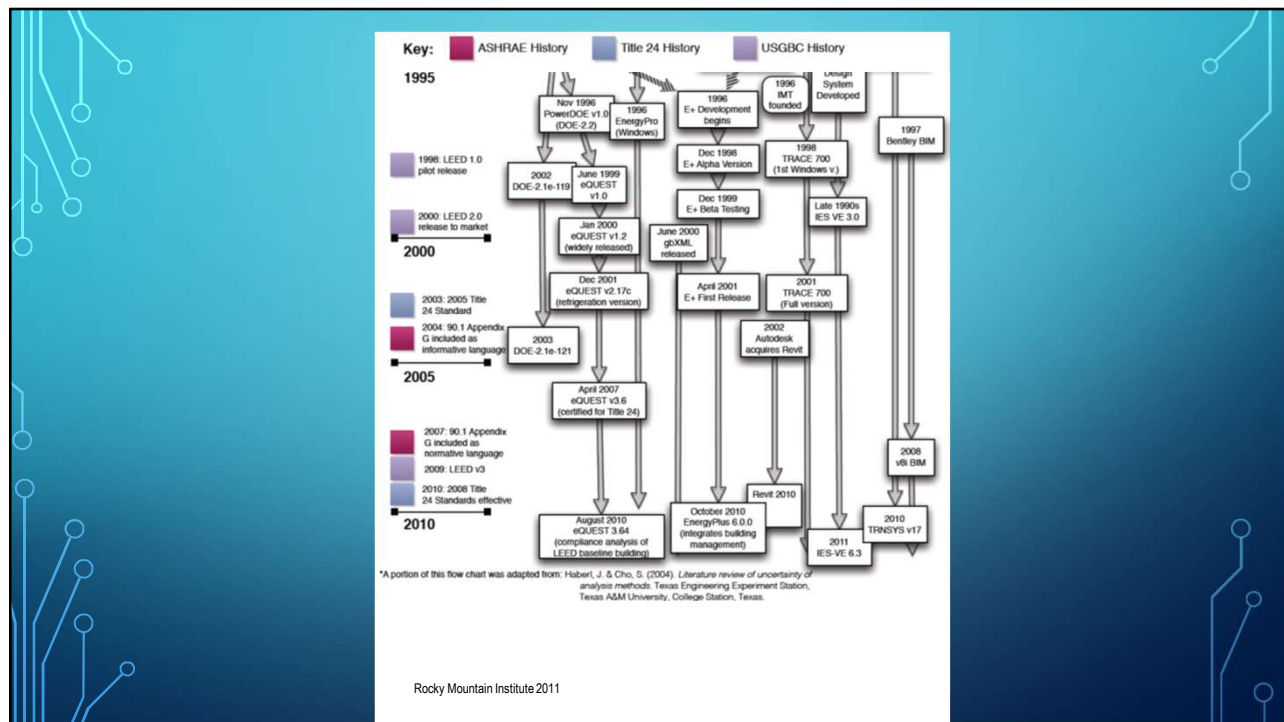


Fig. 2. Physical model of a typical room represented by the circuit in Fig. 1.

Walton 2001



SO MANY TOOLS...
WHERE DO I LEARN MORE?

SIMULATION RESOURCES

- **Methods and Techniques:**
 - ASHRAE Handbook 2017 Fundamentals
Chapter 19 Energy Estimating and Modeling Methods
 - Building Performance Simulation for Design and Operation
 - Contrasting the Capabilities of Building Energy Performance Simulation Programs
- **Available Tools:**
 - Building Energy Software Tools Directory
www.buildingenergysoftwaretools.com



Hensen and Lamberts 2011

GENERAL MODELING FEATURES

Table 1
General Modeling Features

	BLAST	BSim	DeST	DOE-2.1E	ECOTECT	EnerWin	Energy Express	Energy-10	EnergyPlus	eQUEST	ESP-r	HAP	HEED	IDA ICE	IES <VE>	PowerTools	SUNBEL	T ₃₀	TRACE	TRNSYS
Simulation solution																				
• Sequential loads, system, plant calculation without feedback	X			X																
• Simultaneous loads, system and plant solution	X ²	X	X		³	X	X	X	X ⁴	X ⁵	X	X ⁶	X	X	X	X	X ⁷	X	X	X
• Iterative non-linear systems solution		X	X		³		X	X	X ⁴	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
• Coupled loads, systems, plant calculations		X					X	X	X ⁴	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
• Space temperature based on loads-systems feedback	X	X	X		X ⁸	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
• Floating room temperature ⁹	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Time step approach																				
• User-selected for zone/environment interaction	X ²	X ¹⁰	R					X ¹¹	X ¹²		X ¹³			X	X	X ¹⁴	X			X ¹⁵
• Variable time intervals for zone air/HVAC system interaction	X ²	X ¹⁰					X		X	X ¹⁴	X			X	X	R				X ¹⁷
• User-selected for both building and systems											X			X	X					
• Dynamically varying based on solution transients									X		X			X ¹⁶	X					
Full Geometric Description																				
• Walls, roofs, floors	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X ¹⁸
• Windows, skylights, doors, and external shading	X	X	X	X	X	P	X	X	X	X	X		X	X ¹⁹	X	X	X	X	X	X

² Only in BLAST, an unrefined, integrated simulation version of BLAST. BLAST simultaneously calculates all zones in the "building" heat balance.

³ ECOTECT exports its models to the native file formats of EnergyPlus, ESP-r, HTB-2, and Radiance, invoking calculations and then importing results for display and analysis.

⁴ CNE simulation engine used by Energy-10 uses iterative convergence to achieve energy balance (thermal network coupled with building systems) at each time step.

⁵ HVAC air-side and water-side combined calculation.

⁶ Loads and HVAC air-side systems integrated with feedback. Plant is sequential with system loads.

⁷ Idealized HVAC equipment only in release version. Research version with more realistic HVAC models.

⁸ Based on CIBSE Acceptance Method for early design decision-making and analysis.

⁹ No environmental controls.

¹⁰ Up to 256 timesteps per hour.

¹¹ For Energy-10 the CNE engine runs in 15-minute time steps with results reported on an hourly basis.

¹² 15-minute default, 10-minute to 1-hour time steps. Use can modify so that 1-minute time steps can be done but not recommended due to stability issues.

¹³ 1-minute to 1-hour time steps for zones and flow networks and a multiple of that for detailed systems.

¹⁴ 1-hour default, 1-second to 24-hour time steps. 1-minute time interval schedules.

¹⁵ Building and system use the same time step. 1-hour default, user can select down to 0.1 second.

¹⁶ 5-minute time step for electric heat/cool fan equipment for demand vs. energy cost calculation.

¹⁷ Type 56 (building) uses an internal time step for airflow and envelope coupling. Other components (e.g. storage tanks) have internal time steps.

¹⁸ User-specified tolerance controls time step and integration order.

¹⁹ Taking into account geometry for view factors, detailed shading, direct radiation distribution requires additional input data.

²⁰ Skylights with multiple beam reflections.

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ZONE LOADS AND ENVELOPE

Table 1
Zone Loads

(11 of the 18 rows in the report)

	BLAST	Bsim	DOE-2.1E	EcoTest	Energy-10	EnergyPlus	EntraWin	eQUEST	ESP-r	IDA IES	IES <VE>	HAP	HEED	PowerDomus	SUNREL	Tas	TRACE	TRNSYS
Interior surface convection	X	X			X	P		X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
• Dependent on temperature	X																	
• Dependent on air flow																		
• Dependent on surface heat coefficient from CFD																		
• User-defined coefficients		X			X			X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Internal Thermal Mass	X	X	X	X	X		X	X				X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Automatic design day calculations for sizing																		
• Dry bulb temperature	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				X	X	P	X	X	X	
• Dew point temperature or relative humidity					X	X	X	X				X	X		X	X	X	
• User-specified minimum and maximum					X	X	X	X				X	X		X	X	X	
• User-specified steady-state, periodic or dynamic design conditions												X			X			X

Table 2
Building Envelope and Daylighting

(10 of the 54 rows in the report)

	BLAST	Bsim	DOE-2.1E	EcoTest	Energy-10	EnergyPlus	EntraWin	eQUEST	ESP-r	IDA ICE	IES <VE>	HAP	HEED	PowerDomus	SUNREL	Tas	TRACE	TRNSYS
Outside surface convection algorithm																		
▪ BLAST/TARP	X					X											X	
▪ DOE-2			X			X		X									X	
▪ MoWITT						X											X	
▪ ASHRAE simple						X											X	
▪ User-selectable		X			X	X					X		X				X	
Inside radiation view factors						X											X	
▪ Radiation component separate from convection		X				X								X			X	
▪ Detailed solar and daylighting inter-reflection from building components and other buildings		X				X											P	X
▪ Shading of sky IR by obstructions			X			X		X			X		X			X		X

AIRFLOW, HVAC AND ECONOMICS

Table 4
Infiltration, Ventilation, Room Air and Multizone Airflow

	BLAST	Bsim	DOE-2.1E	EcoTest	Energy-10	EnergyPlus	EntraWin	eQUEST	ESP-r	IDA ICE	IES <VE>	HAP	HEED	PowerDomus	SUNREL	Tas	TRACE	TRNSYS
Single zone infiltration	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Automatic calculation of wind pressure coefficients	X																	
Natural ventilation (pressure, buoyancy driven)	X				X	X	X	X										
Multizone airflow (via pressure network model)	X				X	X	X	X										
Hybrid natural and mechanical ventilation	X				X	X	X	X										
Control window opening from simulation variables					X													
Displacement ventilation					X	X	X											
Mix of flow networks and CFD domains						X												
Contaminants, microtoxins (mold growth)	P					R												

Tables 7 & 8
HVAC Systems and components
(summary)

	BLAST	Bsim	DOE-2.1E	EcoTest	Energy-10	EnergyPlus	EntraWin	eQUEST	ESP-r	IDA ICE	IES <VE>	HAP	HEED	PowerDomus	SUNREL	Tas	TRACE	TRNSYS
Idealized HVAC systems	X			X	X				X									
User-configurable HVAC systems		X			X				X		X	X	X	X	R	X		
Pre-configured systems (among 32 identified, X+O)	14	14	15	0	7	30	ND	24	13	ND	24	26	10	9	11	23	21	
Discrete HVAC components (among 98 identified, X+O)	59	24	43	0	11	72	ND	59	26	ND	33	41	7	21	13	26	57	

Table 11
Economic Evaluation
(energy costs portion)

	BLAST	Bsim	DOE-2.1E	EcoTest	Energy-10	EnergyPlus	EntraWin	eQUEST	ESP-r	IDA IES	IES <VE>	HAP	HEED	PowerDomus	SUNREL	Tas	TRACE	TRNSYS
Energy Costs																		
• Simple energy and demand charges		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
• Complex tariffs including fixed, block, and demand charges, ratchets		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
• Scheduled variation in all rate components		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
• User selectable billing dates			X															

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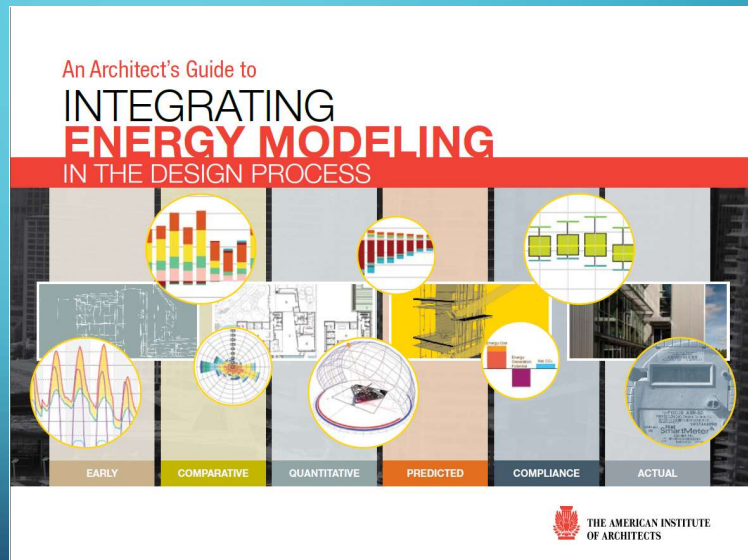
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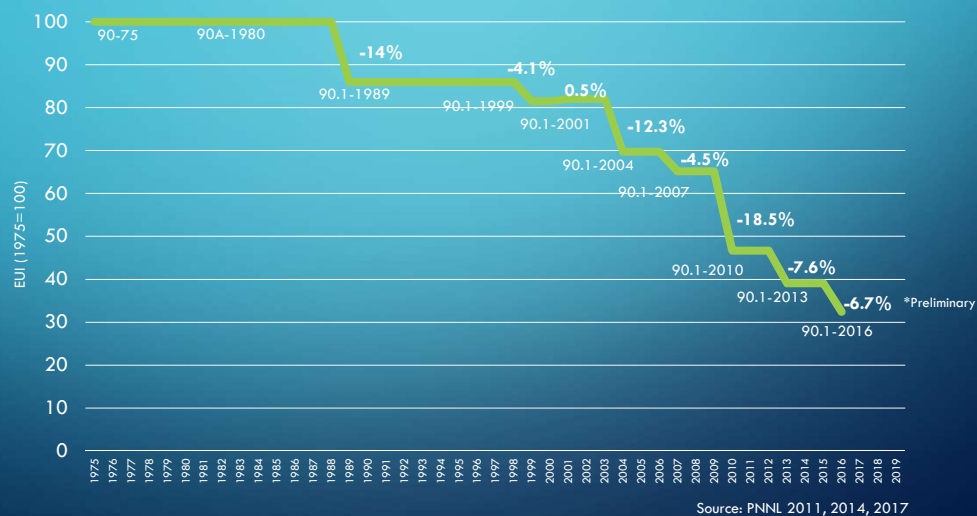
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HOW DO I DECIDE WHICH BUILDING PERFORMANCE TOOL(S) TO USE?

- What are you trying to assess?
 - Simple change in performance may warrant a simpler tool – such as bin method or degree-day
 - Interactions among building systems often warrants dynamic simulation tools
- Make sure the tool can predict the physics you're interested in, such as radiant systems, moisture, daylight illuminance, ground heat transfer, or a specific HVAC system configuration

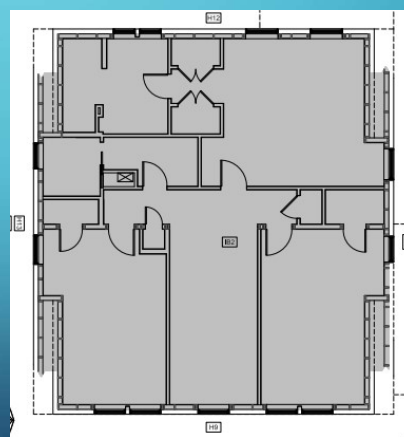
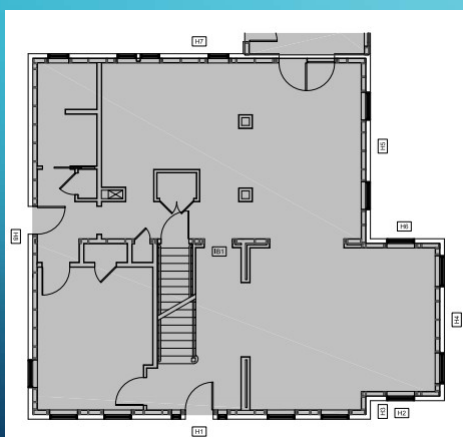
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INCREASED STRINGENCY IN ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND GREEN STANDARDS



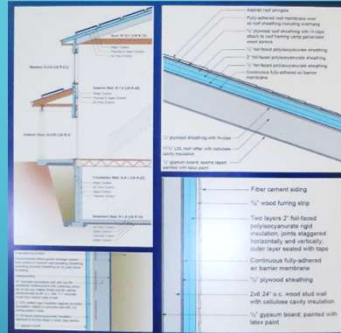


FLOOR PLANS



TECHNOLOGIES BEING TESTED

- Photovoltaic power
- Thermal solar
- Heat pump water heater
- Super insulated walls, roof, floors, windows, foundation
- Heat recovery ventilator
- Building envelope air tightness
- IAQ/VOCs
- Dedicated outside air
- Decoupled dehumidification
- High efficiency appliances (washer, dryer, cooktop, dishwasher)
- Geothermal heat exchanges (vertical borehole, horizontal u-tube, horizontal slinky configurations installed)
- Long-term net-zero energy impacts



Component	NZERTF	2009 IECC
Exterior walls	US R-45 (R-7.9)	US R-16 (R-2.8)
Windows	US R-5.2 (R-0.9)	US R-2.9 (R-0.5)
Rim Joist Area	US R-35 (R-6.2)	US R-13 (R-2.3)
Basement Walls	US R-23 (R-4.1)	US R-13 (R-2.3)
Roof Assembly	US R-72 (R-12.7)	US R-38 (R-6.7)
Basement Slab	US R-10 (R-1.8)	US R-10 (R-1.8)

IECC = International Energy Conservation Code

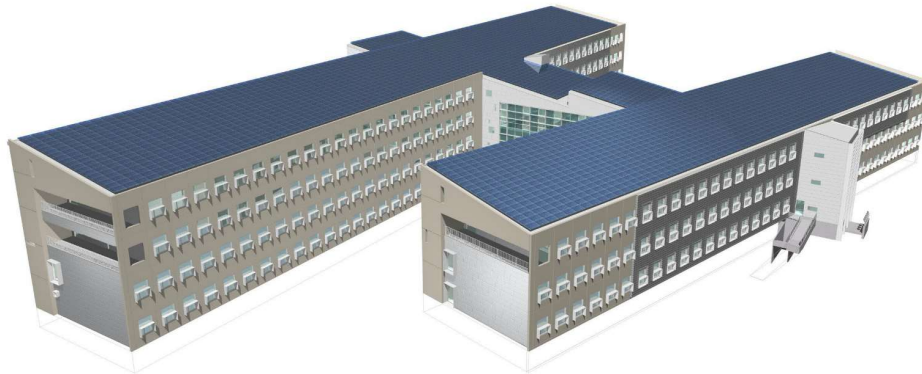


LARGE ZERO ENERGY BUILDING!

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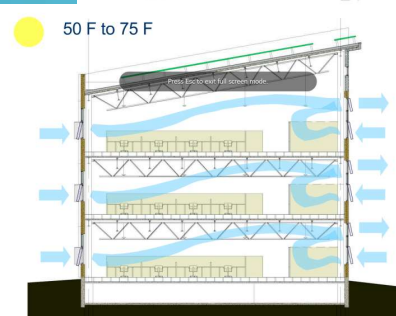
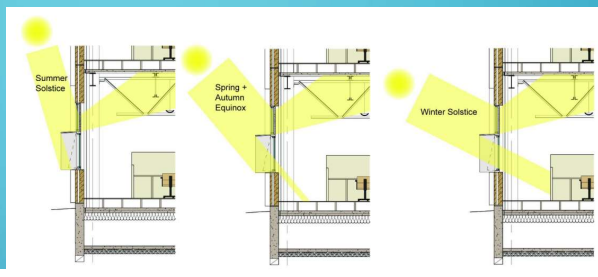


Massing



TECHNOLOGIES TO GET TO ZERO?

- Modularity
- Massing (long axis E-W)
- Double skin
- Daylighting – Shading
- Natural Ventilation
- Thermal labyrinth
- Data center heat recovery
- Data center cooling
- PV



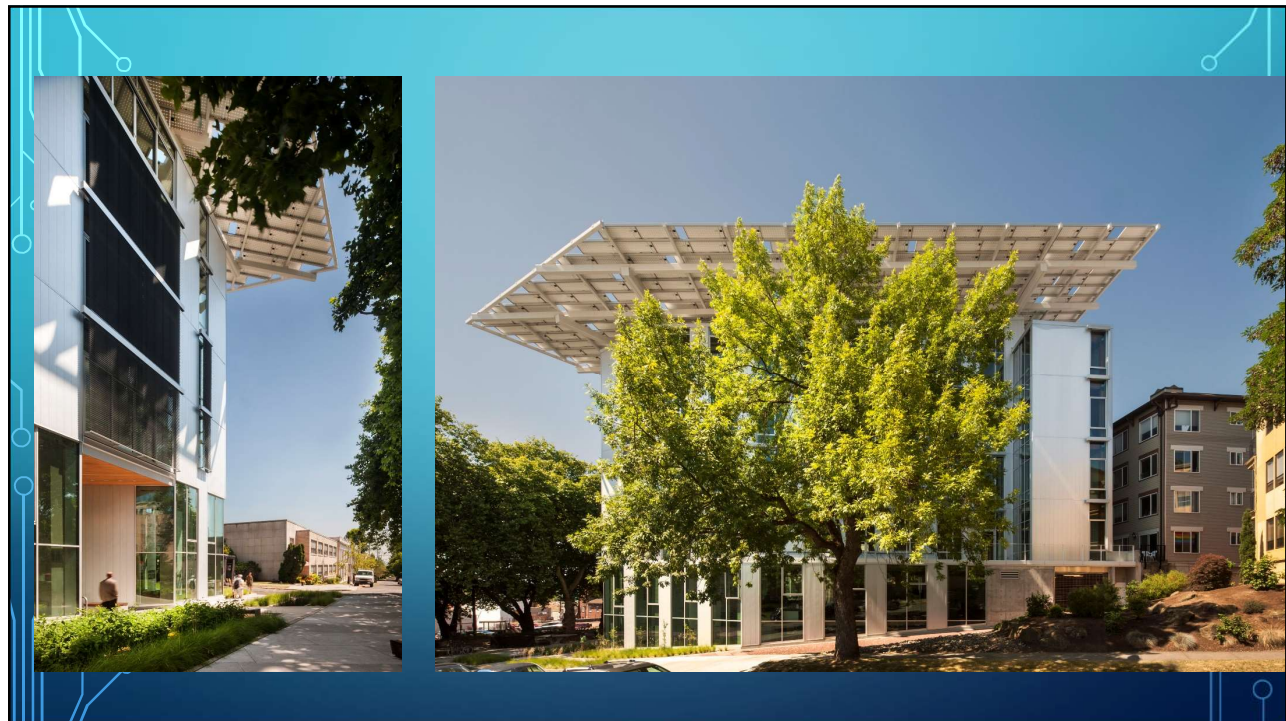
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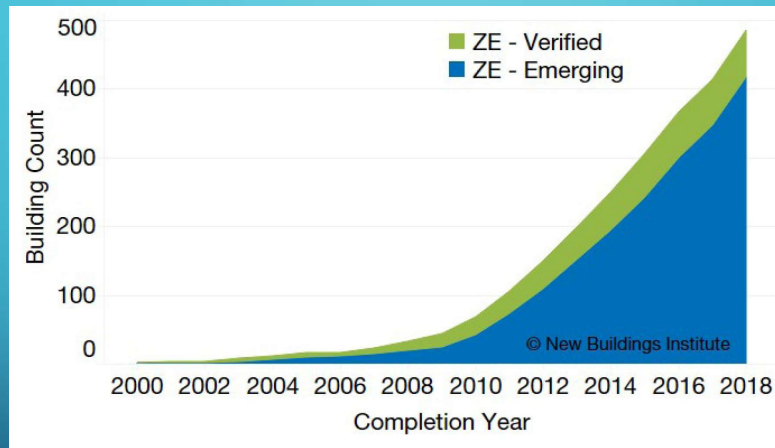
WHAT FEATURES DID THEY INCORPORATE?

- EUI of 16 kBtu/ft²-y (180 MJ/m²-y)
- Triple-glazed, low-e, operable windows (natural ventilation)
- Daylighting for all occupants
- Rainwater harvesting, vortex, ceramic filters (reverse osmosis) and UV treatment for potable water
- Composting toilets
- Durability – structure designed for 250-year life
- Local and safe materials
- Ground-source heating pump
- Solar canopy (242 kW) covers roof and provides overhangs
- No net energy or water cost to tenants





MANY NEW ZEBS AND ZECs!

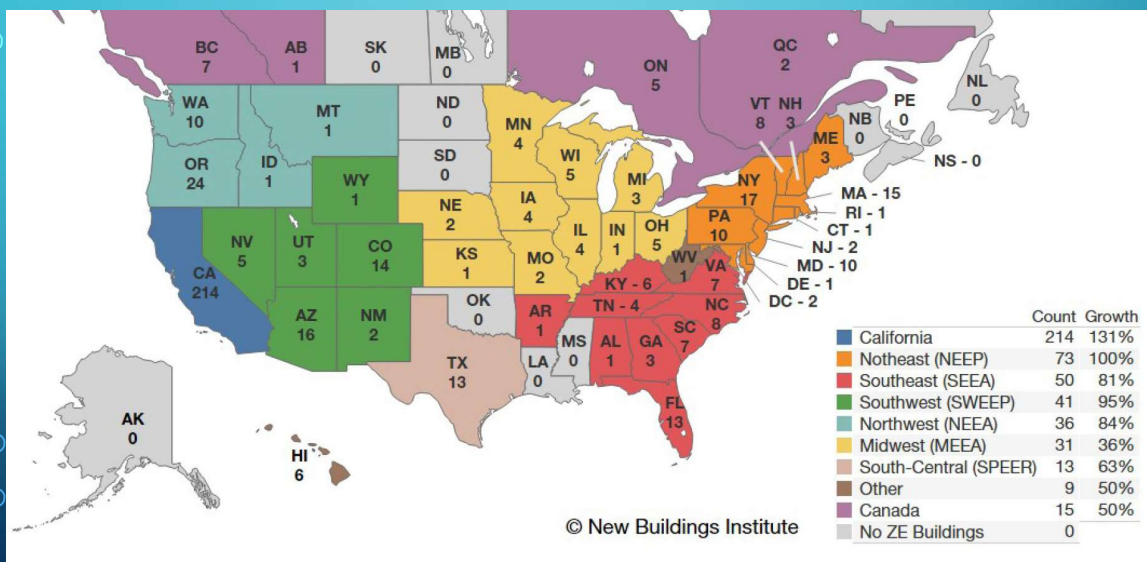


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Getting to Zero Status Update and List of Zero Energy Projects

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GROWTH IN ZERO ENERGY



SO, IS THIS THE BUILDING OF TOMORROW?



BUILDING OF THE FUTURE?
PROBABLY MORE LIKE NREL RSF



OR THESE RECENT NZE BUILDINGS



OR EVEN APPLE'S NEW HQ



SUMMARY

- Changes in building technologies over the next decades , especially building enclosure materials and construction methods, will continue to be significant
- New software capabilities and data acquisition methods are making it easier to create building models and simulate performance
- Getting data from BIM to Sim through interoperability still a significant challenge – often incomplete, insufficient for simulation → blackbox defaults!
- LiDAR and photogrammetry offer means to capture existing buildings in a mesh that can easily be imported by BIM and energy analysis tools
- Quality of simulation results only as good as the data entered: GIGO – the more data about the building and how it operates the better quality the results.
- Building performance simulation is a powerful tool for evaluating and comparing building systems and technologies throughout the building life-cycle

NO SINGLE METRIC TELLS THE BUILDING PERFORMANCE STORY

Energy
Demand
Cost
Water
IEQ
Carbon
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(sales, student, occupied room, beer barrels)

QUESTIONS? THANK YOU!

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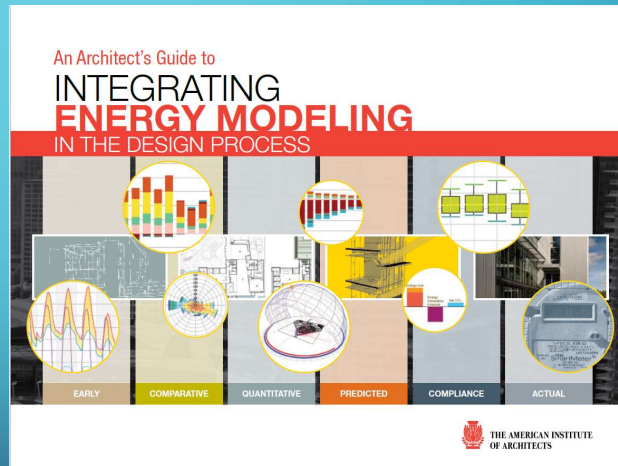
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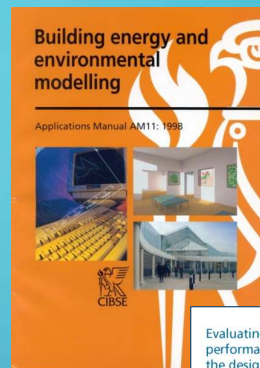
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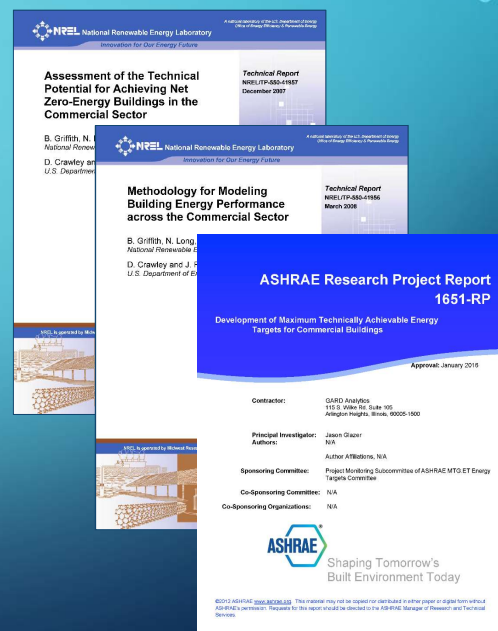
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