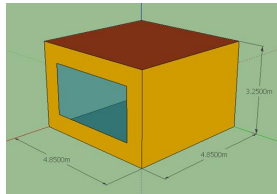
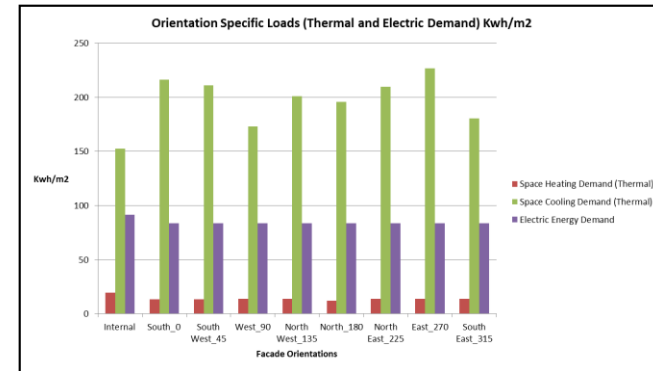


A Tool for Designing better Buildings

Parametric modeling- Thermal simulation- Regression analysis



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Storyline

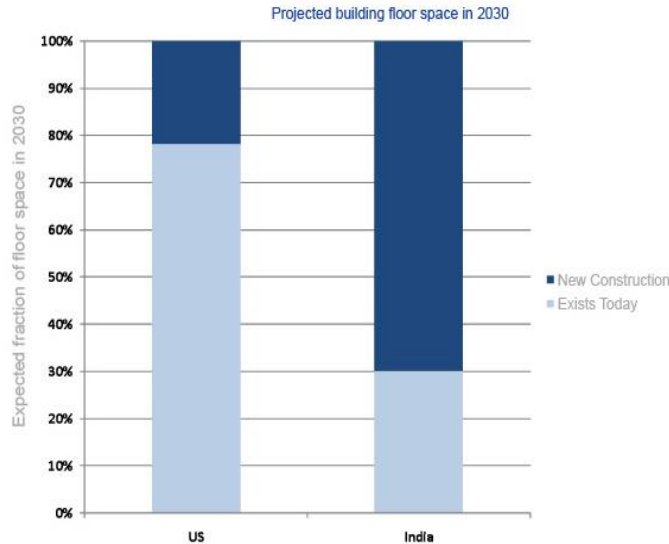
- *Introduction*
 - *Central Idea*
 - *Climate Info*
- *Simulation*
 - *Assumptions*
 - *Framework*
 - *Results- selective*
- *Creating footprint*
- *Regression Analysis- Equation*
- *Sensitivity Analysis tool*
- *Way Forward*

Office Buildings in India



Westernizing building designs, but energy guzzlers

Issues and opportunities in Built Environment – Indian context



Source: Institute of Building Efficiency (IFBE), 2010

Issues:

- Adapting to **western building practices** (office spaces)
- Less **knowledge on climate responsive** strategies for building massing and design
- **System vs Design approach.**

Opportunity:

- Potential for huge new building stock in next 20-30 years (linked with economic growth) **70% new stock (85% Residential)** (IFBE, 2010)

“Architects and designers to be informed about the various building parameters and their effect on building energy at conceptual design stage” - create less energy demand and climate responsive designs.

The Tool- Inform Designers on “Design and its impact on loads”

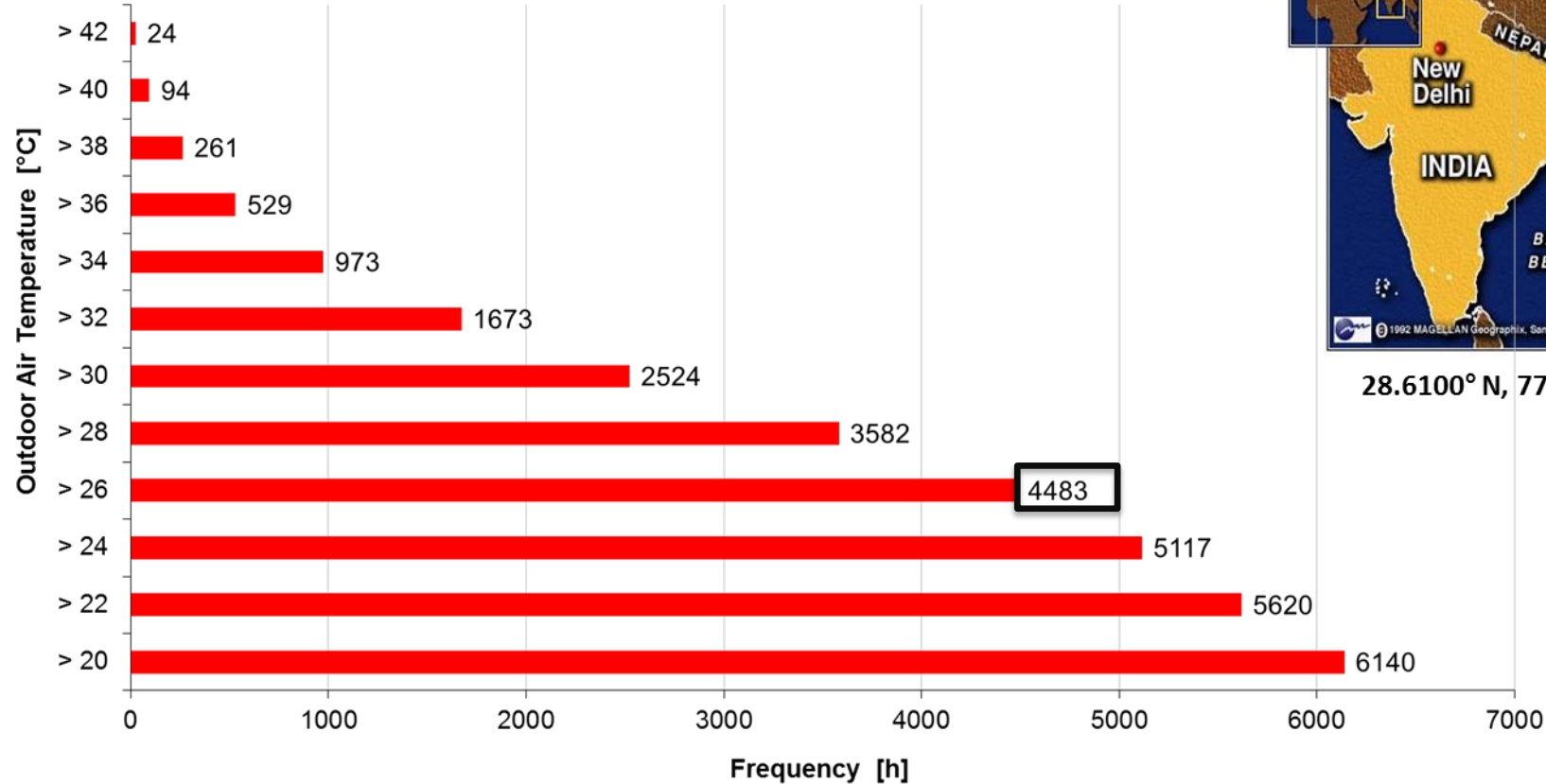
Pitch:

- Conceptual Design: Initial massing and climate responsive orientation and shading.
- Create **performance curves or sensitivity curves (effect of parameters on load)**
 - Influence of basic building parameters on energy loads

Advantages:

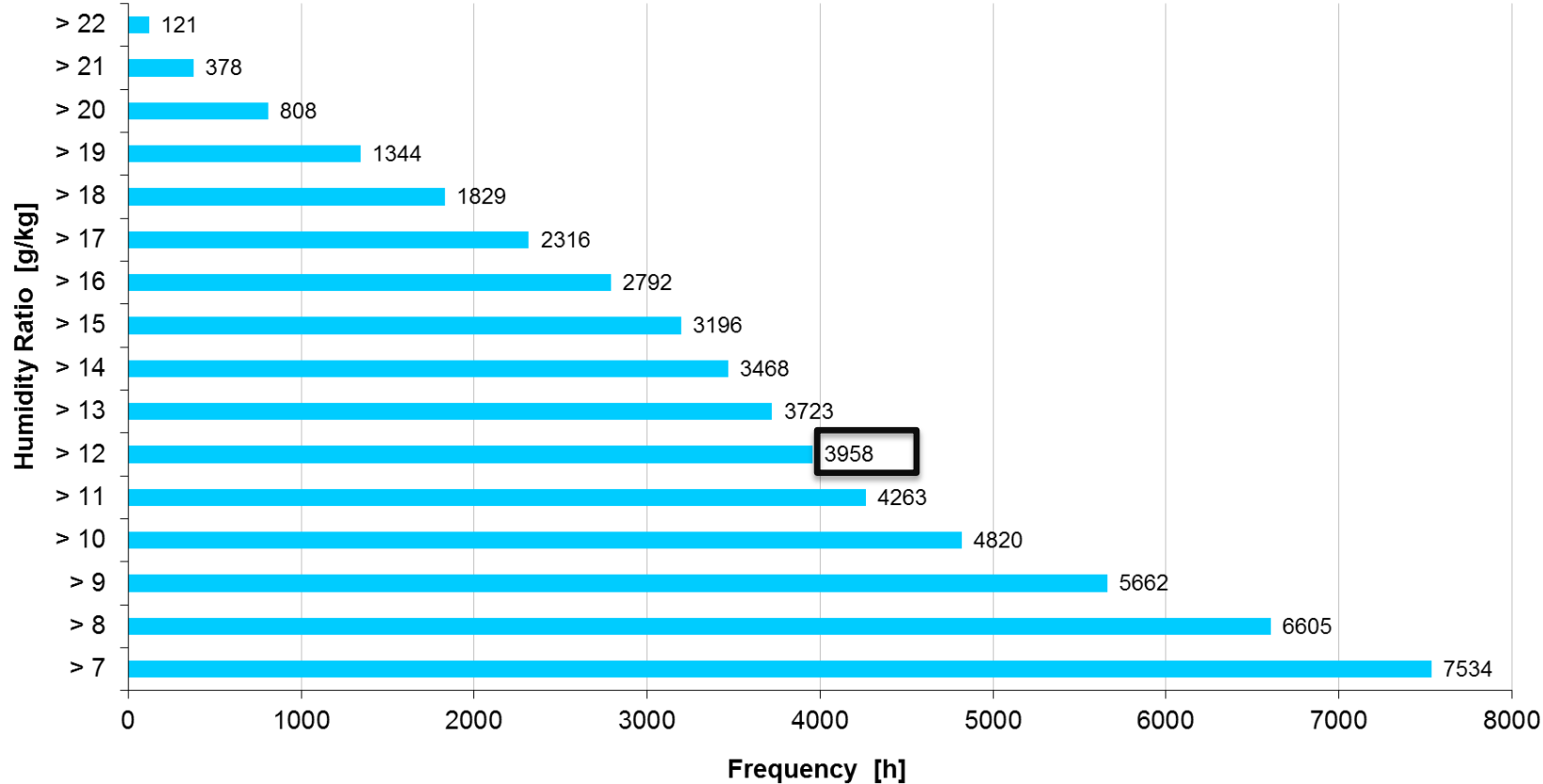
- **Reduces the iterative changes** on design needed on a later design stage
- **Reduces the time and effort on Building Energy Simulation (BES)** at later design stages
- A quick tool to analyze the extent of **degree of closeness of building design to climate**

Outdoor Temperature Statistics New Delhi, India (Composite Climate)

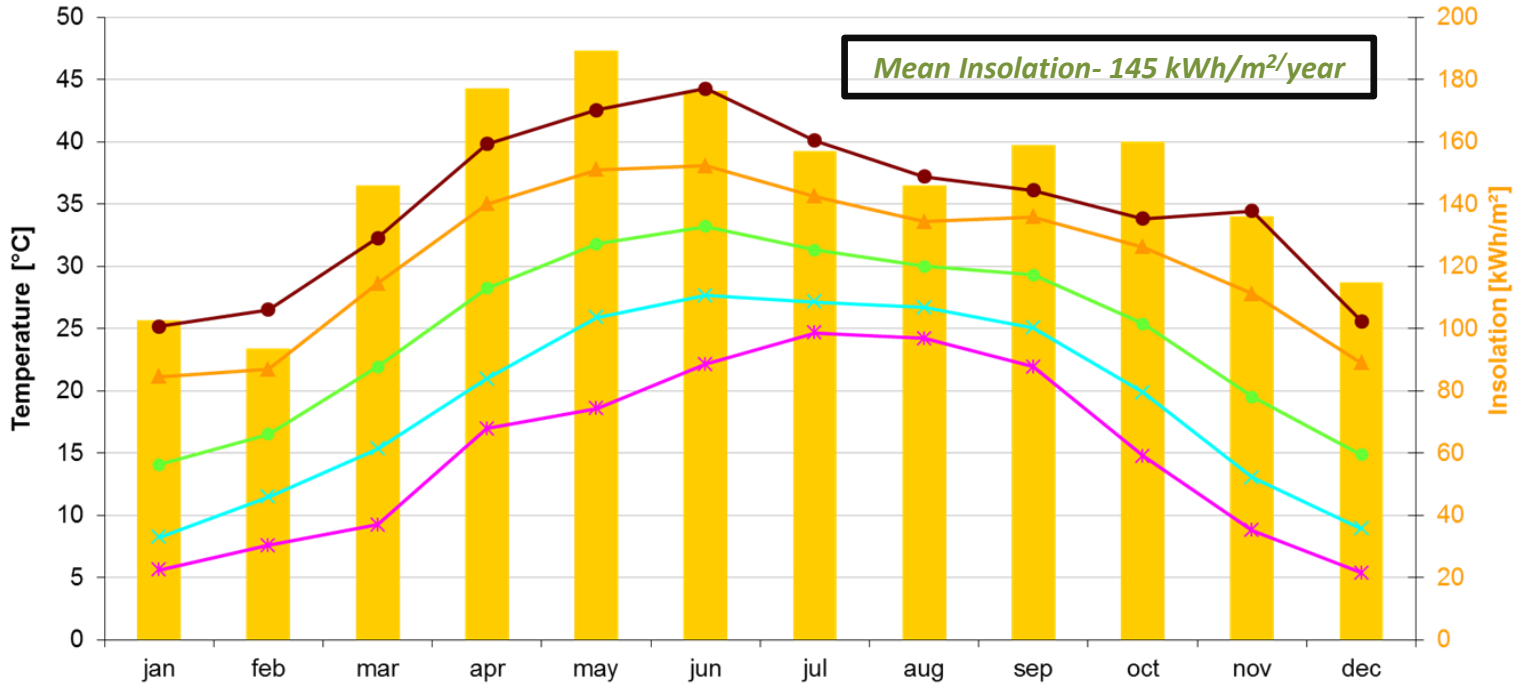


28.6100° N, 77.2300° E

Outdoor Humidity Statistics New Delhi, India (Composite Climate)



Solar Insolation Statistics New Delhi, India (Composite Climate)



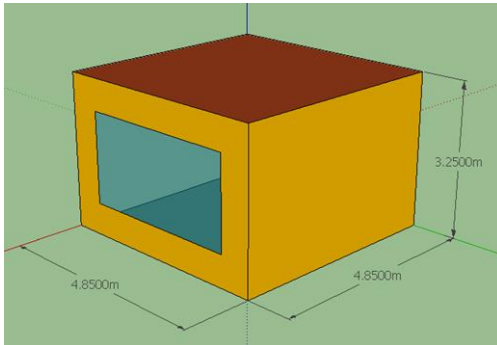
- Insolation [kWh/m²]
- Mean Outside Air Temperature [°C]
- Mean Daily Maximum Outside Air Temperature [°C]
- Mean Daily Minimum Outside Air Temperature [°C]
- Minimum Outside Temperature [°C]
- Maximum Outside Temperature [°C]

Geometry, Material and Operational parameters

Geometry:

4.85 X 4.85 X 3.25 m³

Shoe Box model



Opaque Façade: 0.219 m, U value- 0.250 W/m²K

Glazed Façade :

Option-1: Double- U Value-1.24 W/m²K, G value- 0.642

Option-2: Triple Façade- U Value-0.59 W/m²K, G value- 0.451

Base Operational Parameters: (Deg Celsius)

Heating Set point- 20 °C

Cooling set point- 26 °C

Max ACH (Natural Ventilation)- 3 ACH

Mechanical Ventilation (Occupancy Schedule: 09-17 Hrs.)

Set point- 19 Winter, 22 Summer

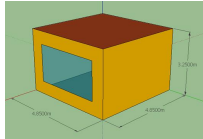
Variants Definition

Orientation	Shading Factor	Window to Wall Ratio	Glazing Type	Area (m2)/person
0	0	33	Double glazing with one low e	5
45	30	66	Triple glazing with 2 low e	10
90	60	100		
135	90			
180				
225				
270				
315				



8*4*3*2*2= 384 combinations

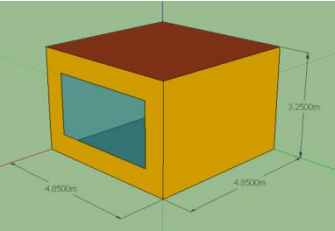
No of Variants (Each Climate) is **384**



Project framework and post processing

Variation and Parameters definition

Base Energy Model



Design Parameters (Variations)

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Parametric Design and Simulation

Parametric Design: Variants Generation

Grasshopper- TRNSYS + DAYSIM Simulation

VAM Outputs: Power Output (Heating, Cooling and Electricity)

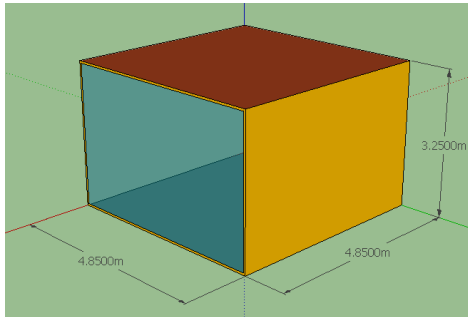
Linear Regression Model:
 To generate equation for Heating, cooling and Electricity

Regression equation to Excel based tool for easy usage.

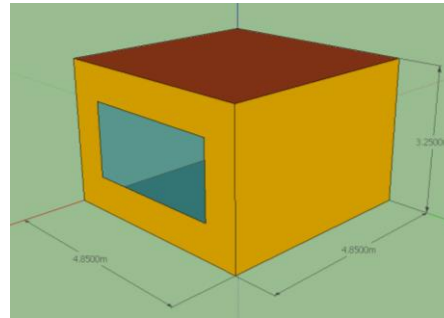
Data Post Processing

Building Parameter's Influence on Energy

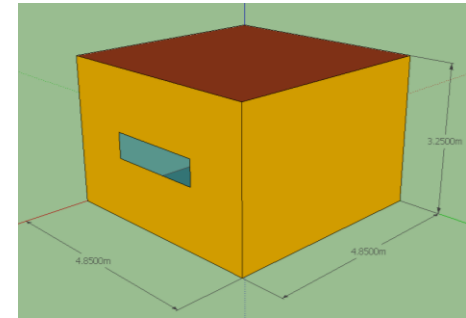
Window to Wall Ratio on Cooling Demand



**Window to
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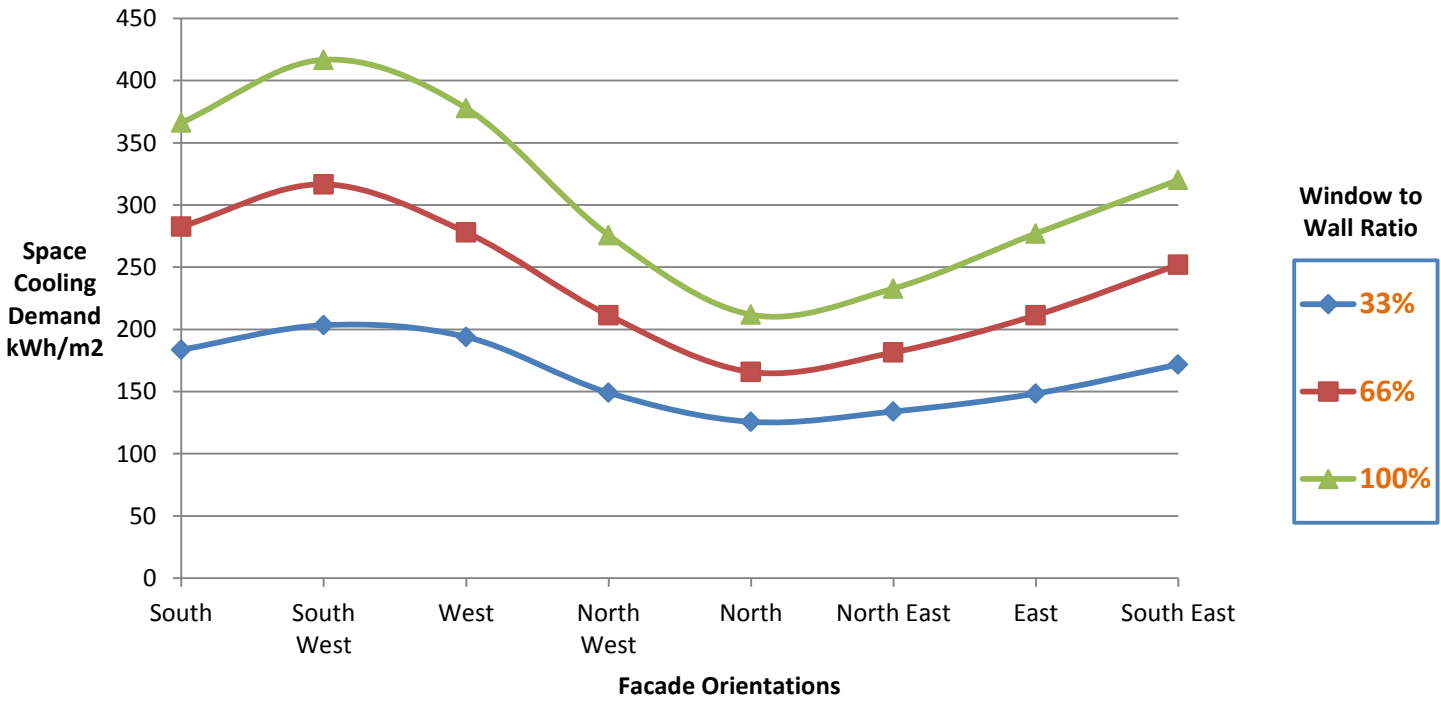
**Window to
Wall Ratio :66 %**



**Window to
Wall Ratio :33 %**

Window to Wall Ratio's influence on cooling demand (kWh/m²)

Shading Factor	Glazing Type	Area (m ²)/person
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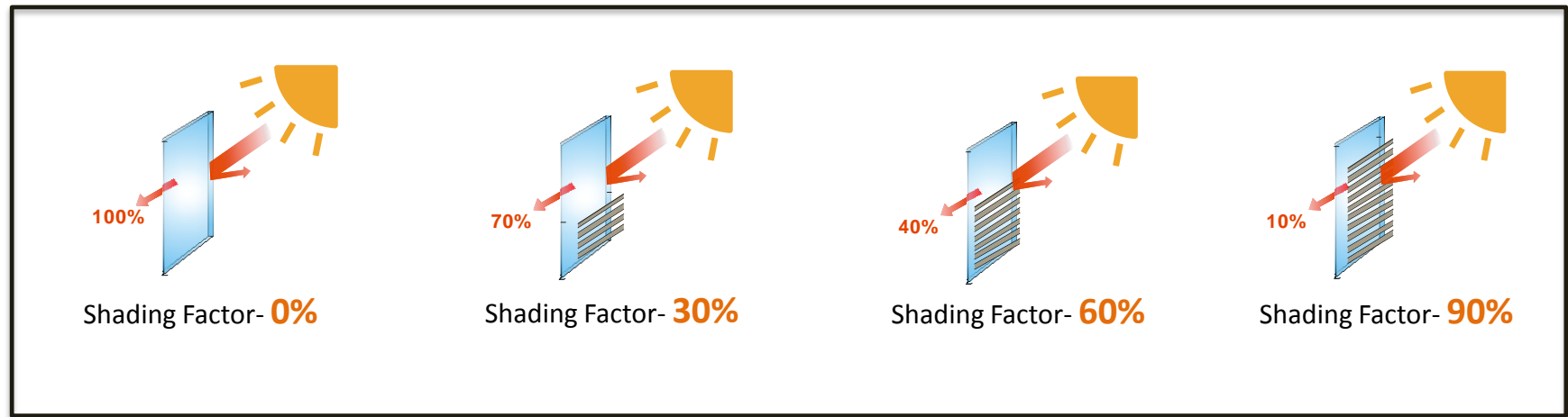
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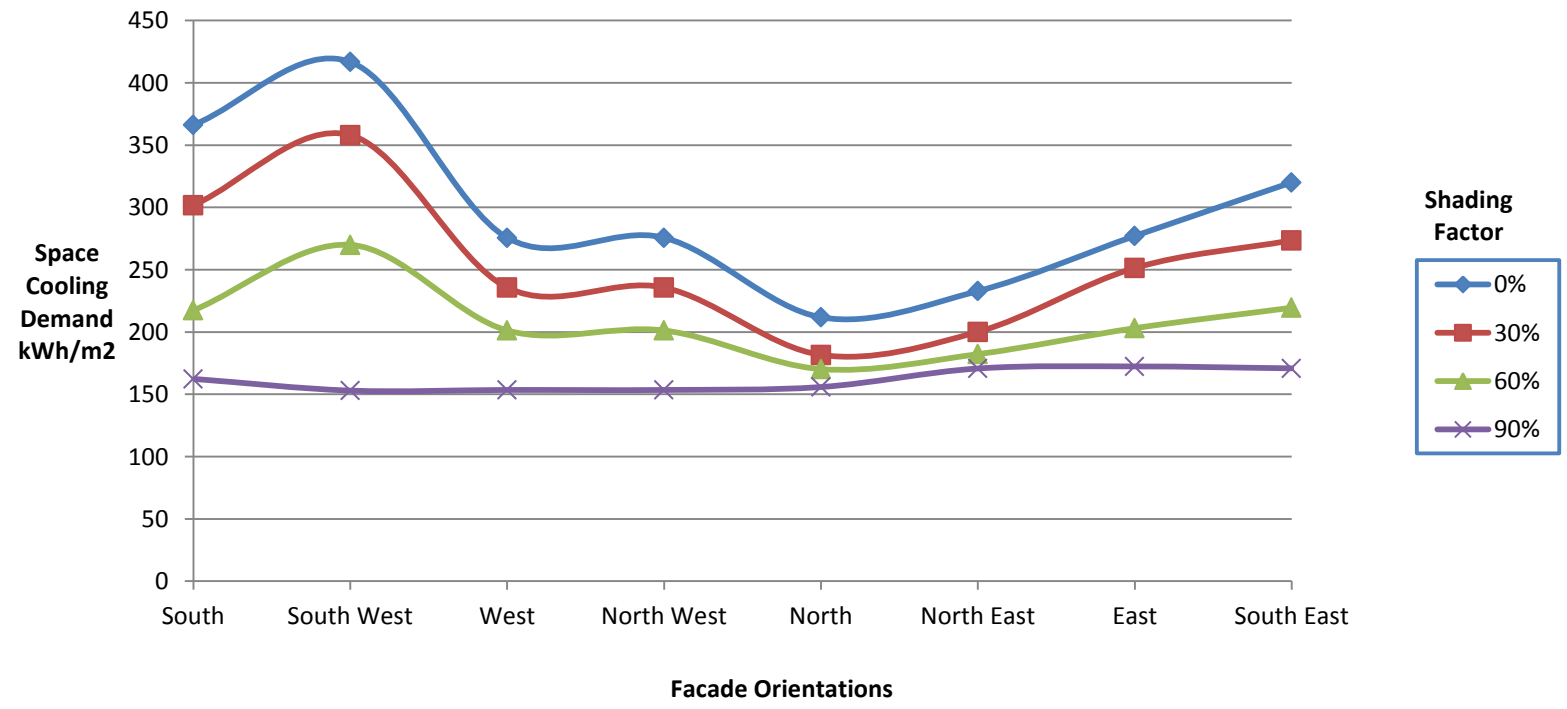
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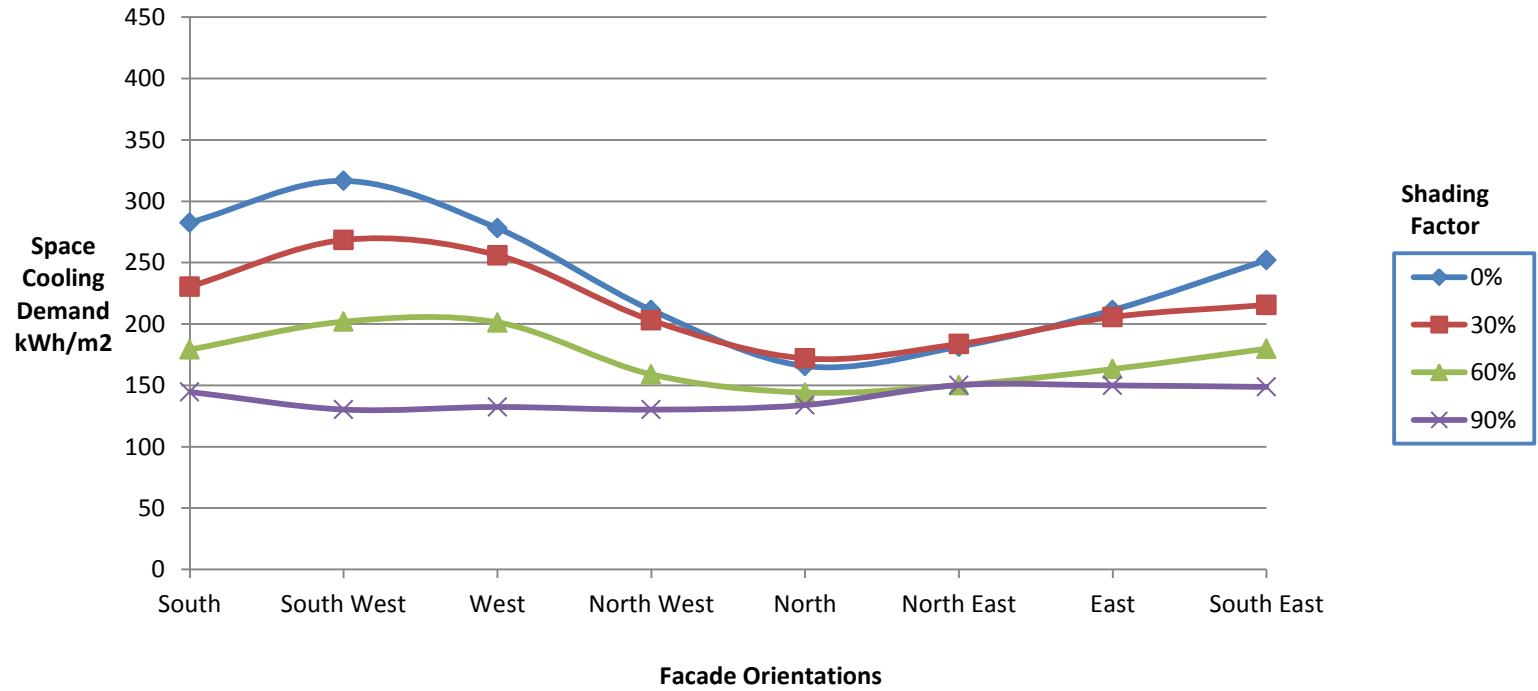
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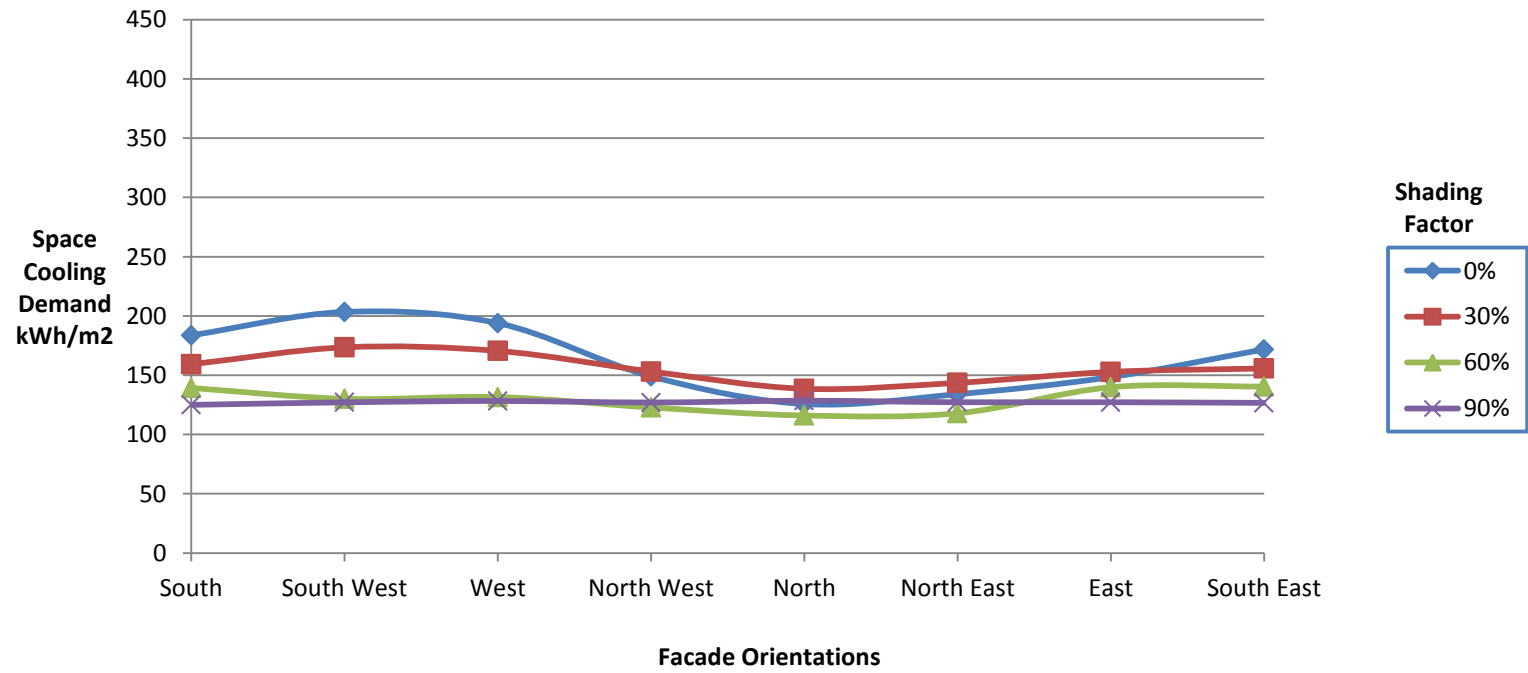
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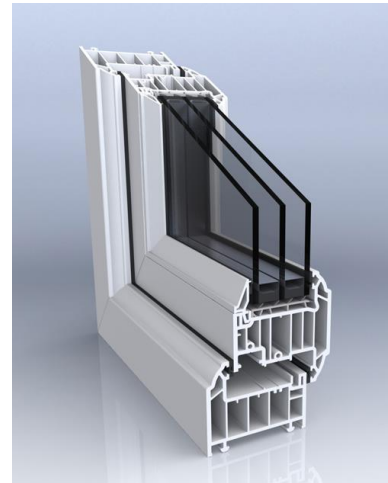


Building Parameter's Influence on Energy

Glazing Type on Cooling Demand



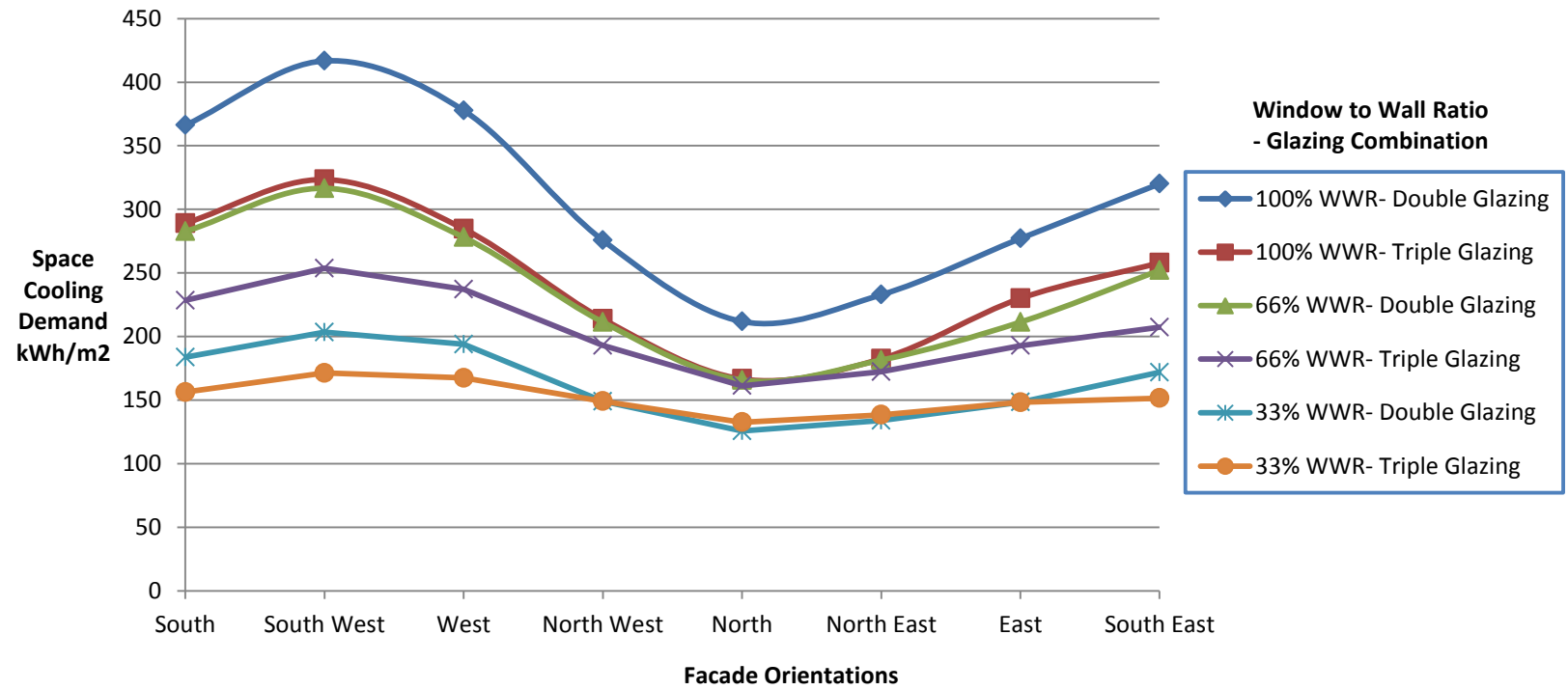
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Triple Glazing
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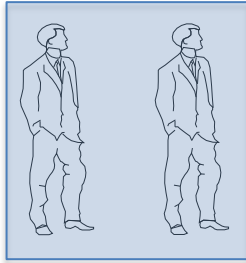
Glazing Type influence on cooling demand (kWh/m2)

Shading Factor	Area (m2)/person
0%	10



Building Parameter's Influence on Energy

Area/ Person on Cooling Demand



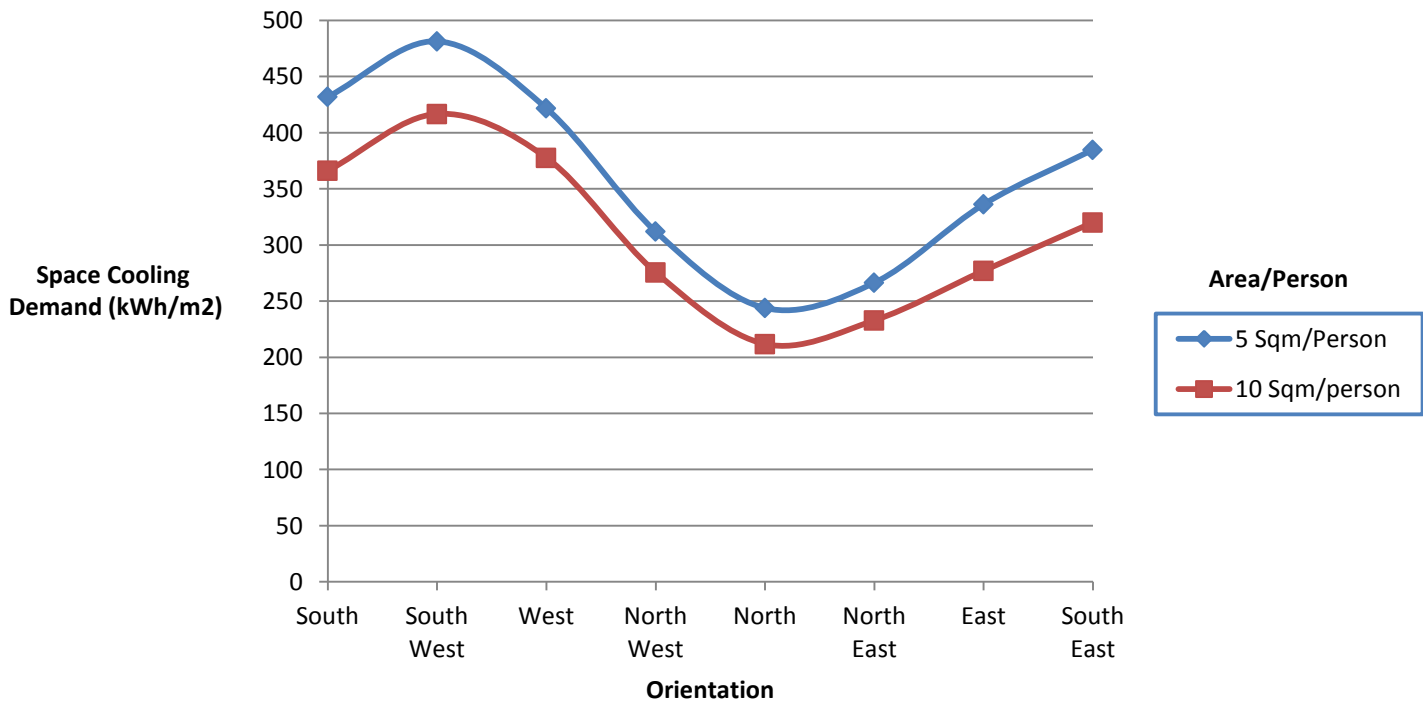
5 sqm/Person



10 sqm/Person

Area/ Person influence on cooling demand (kWh/m2)

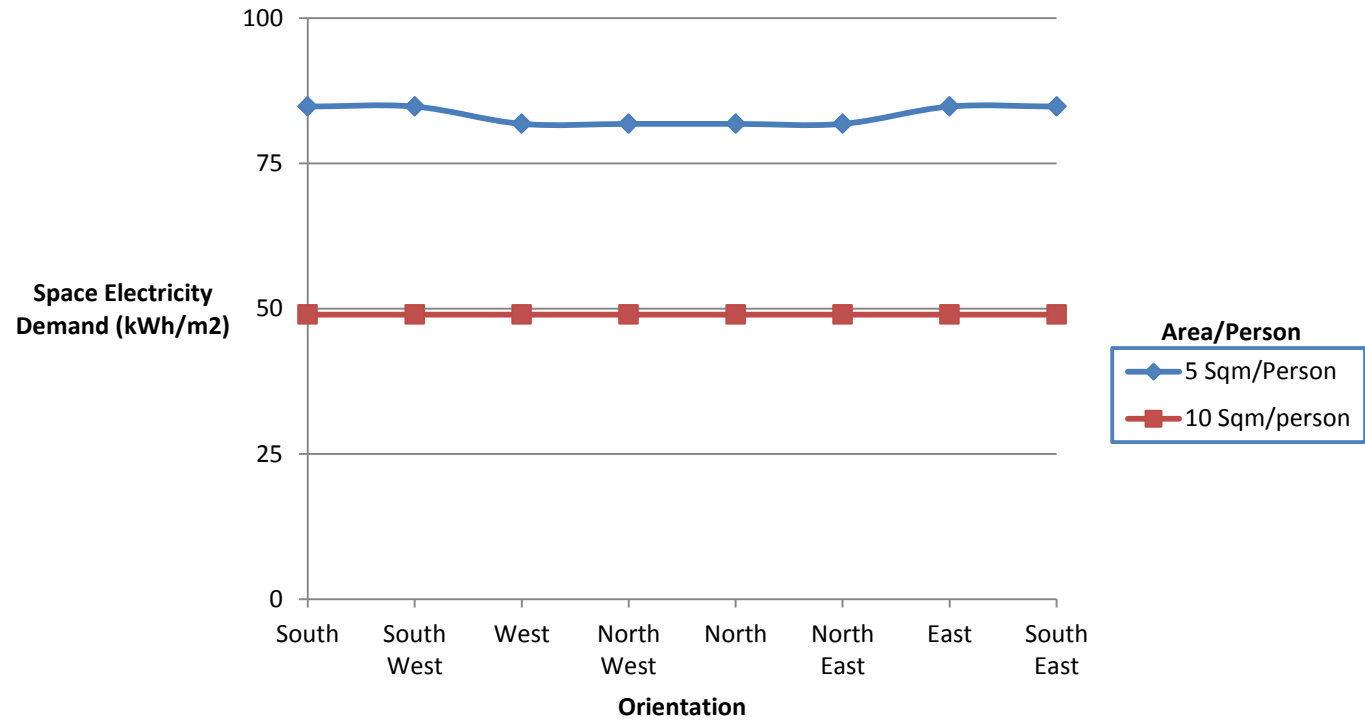
Shading Factor	Window to Wall Ratio	Glazing Type
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Area/ Person influence on electricity demand (kWh/m2)

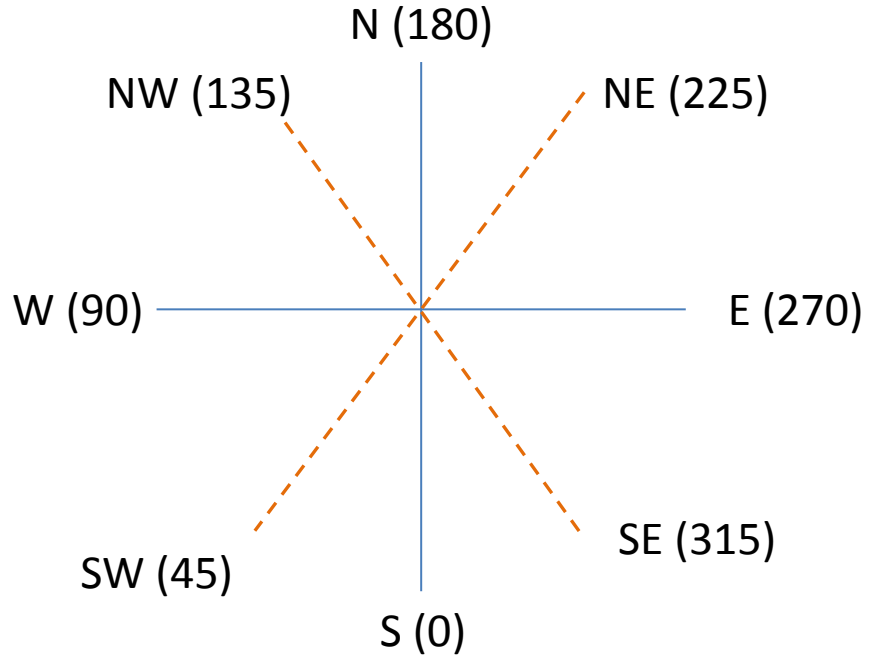


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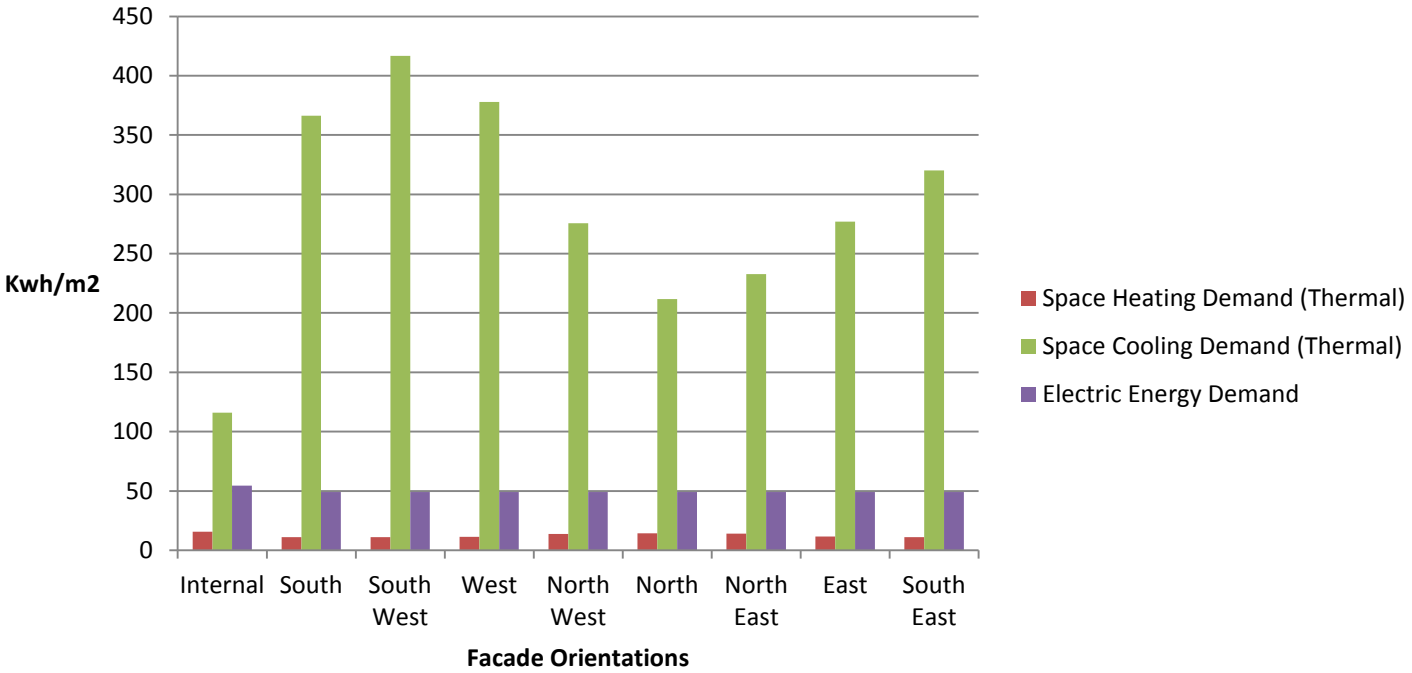
Building Parameter's Influence on Energy

Orientation on Heating, Cooling (Thermal) and Electrical Demand



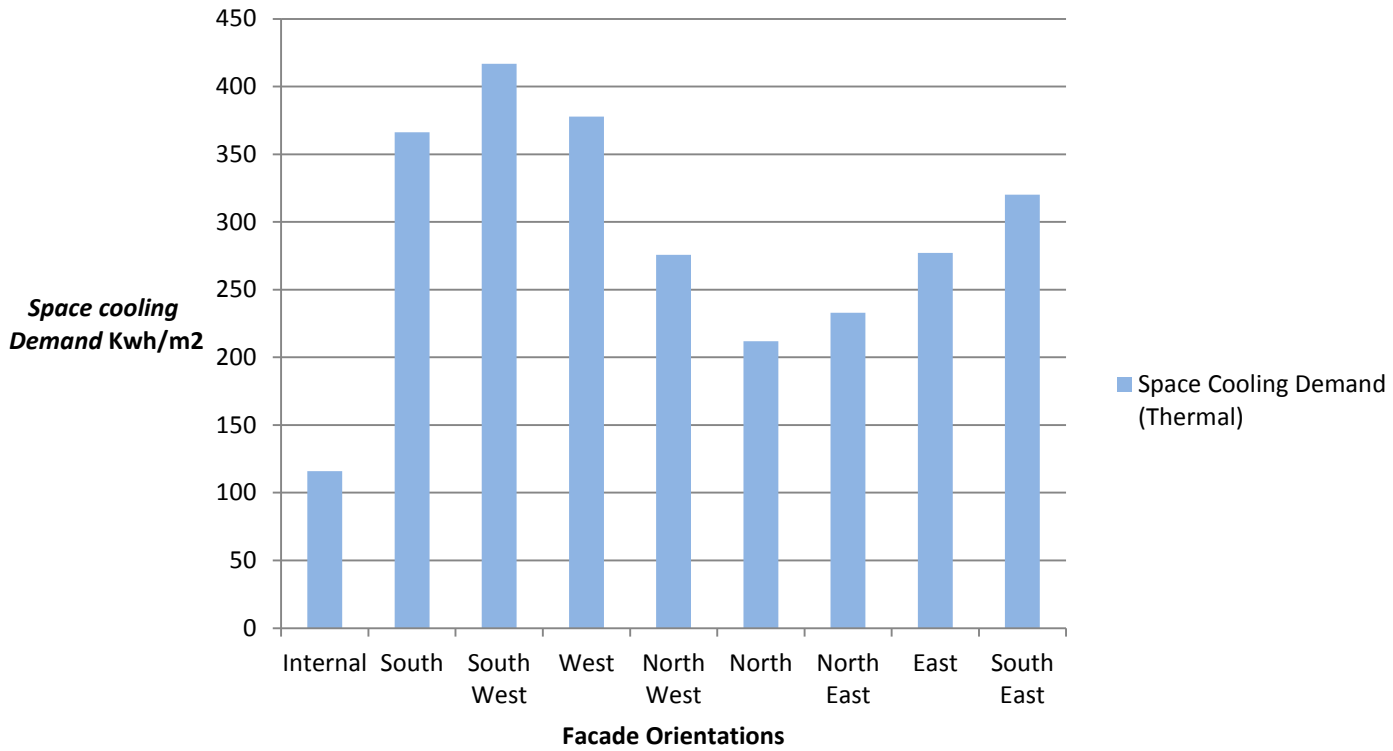
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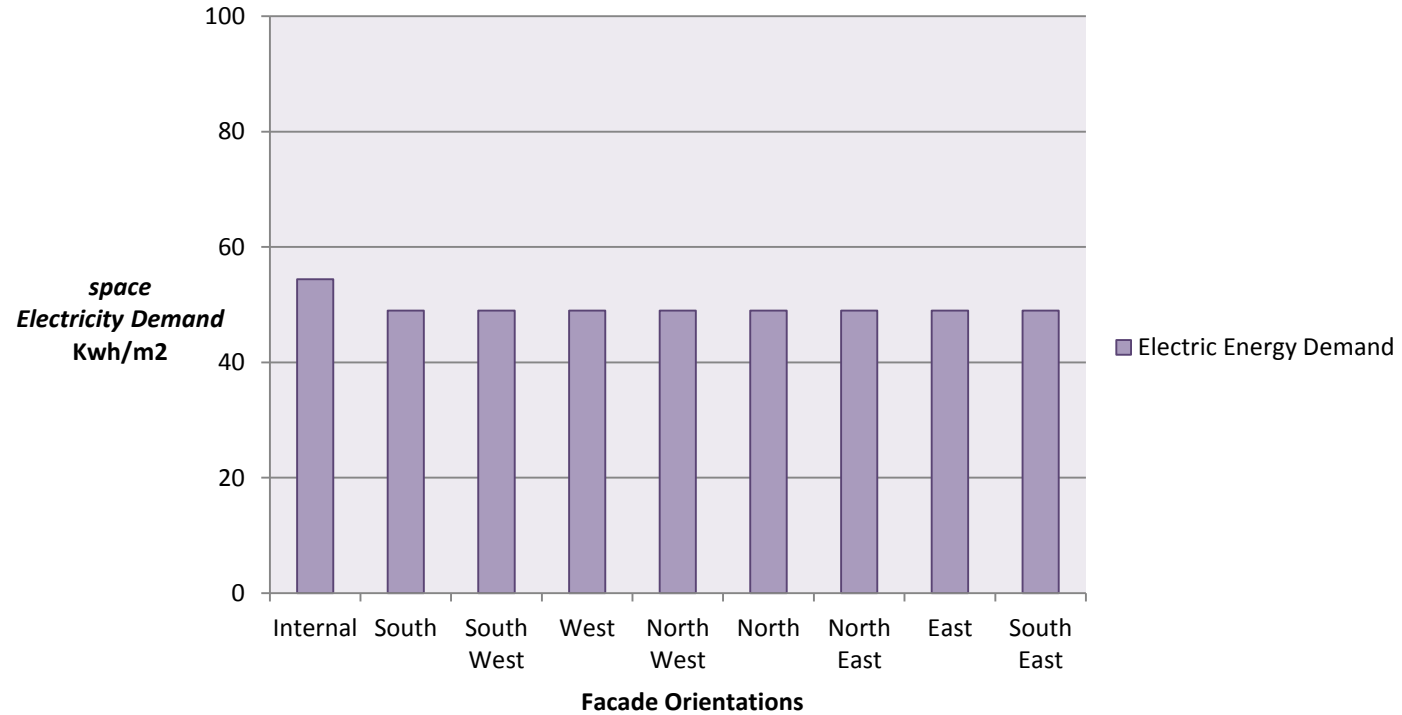
Orientation's influence on cooling Demand (Thermal) (kWh/m²)

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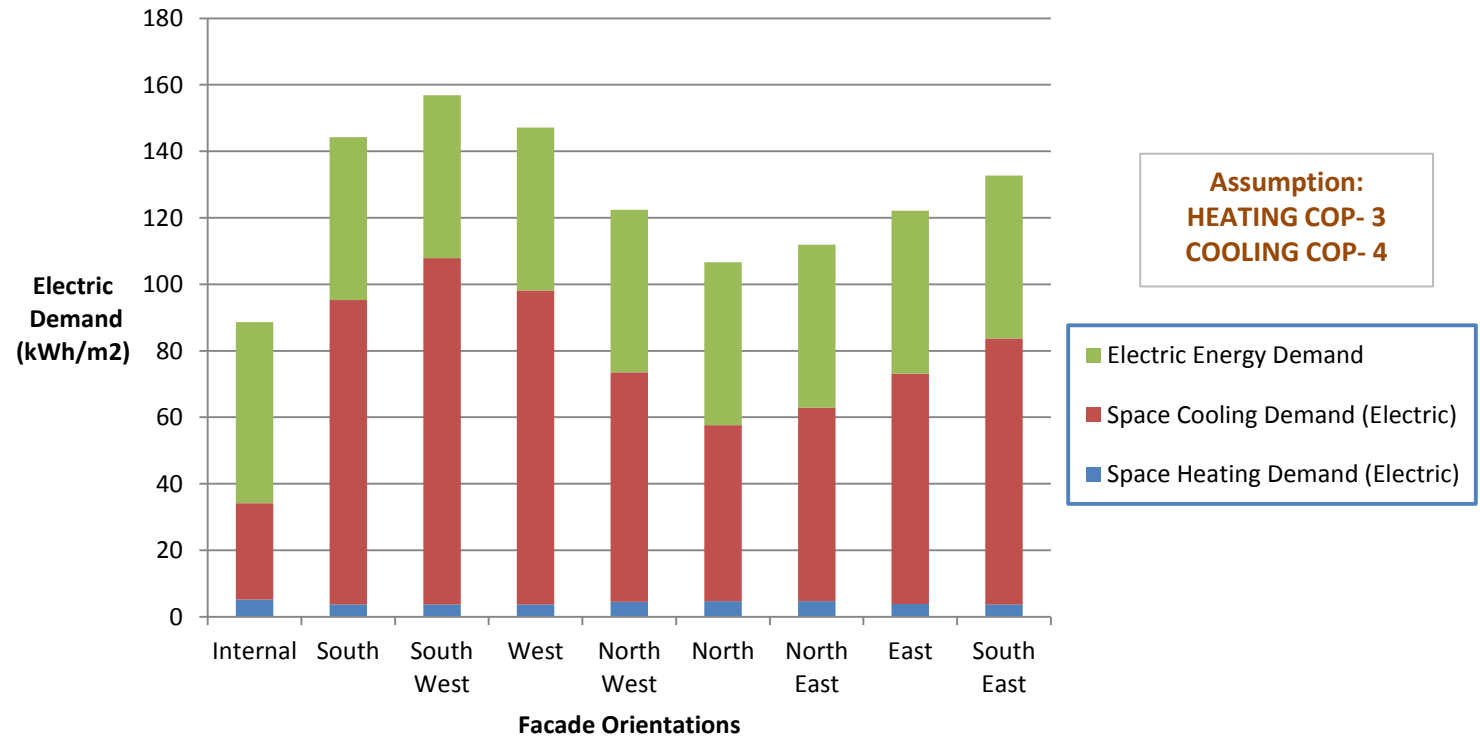
Orientation's influence on Electricity Demand (kWh/m2)

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Orientation's influence on Combined Electric Energy Demand (kWh/m2)

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Building Footprints

Building Footprint examples

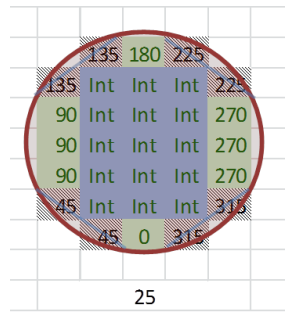
- Zone with external Façade/ window
- Internal Zone

Building Massing: Different Permutation of Results (For orientations)

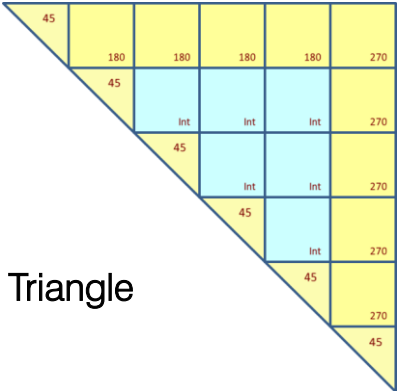
$$Q_{cooltotal} = [Q_{cool} (N) * X + Q_{cool} (S) * Y + \dots + Q_{cool} (W) * Z + Q_{cool} (internal) * K] / (X+Y+Z+\dots+K)$$

180	180	180	180	180	180
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0	0	0	0	0	0

Rectangle/ Square



Circle



Triangle

Regression Coefficients

External Zones

384

Simulation Run Results



Dependent Variables

	Heating (Thermal)	Cooling (Thermal)	Electric (Electric)
Intercept	13.9467	221.7451	119.3328
Orientation	0.0016	-0.1135	-0.0001
Shade	0.0011	-0.9290	0.0003
WWR	-0.0016	1.2374	0.0006
Glazing	0.2057	42.8218	0.0501
Sqm/Person	-0.2974	-10.4469	-7.1224

Internal Zones

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Simulation Run Results



Dependent Variables

	Heating (Thermal)	Cooling (Thermal)	Electric (Electric)
Intercept	23.18775	249.74582	128.7594
Sqm/Person	-0.769254	-13.315802	-7.43292

Regression Equation

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$$\text{Cooling Demand (kWh/m}^2\text{)} = \mathbf{221.745} + (\text{Orientation} * \mathbf{-0.1135}) + (\text{Shading Factor} * \mathbf{0.92903}) + (\text{Window to Wall Ratio} * \mathbf{1.2374}) + (\text{Glazing} * \mathbf{42.8218}) + (\text{Sqm/person} * \mathbf{-10.4469})$$

Regression Equations- External and Internal Zones

External Zone

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Space Heating Demand (kWh/m}^2\text{)} &= 13.9467 + (\text{Orientation} * 0.0016) + (\text{Shading Factor} * 0.001148) + (\text{Window to Wall Ratio} \\ &\quad * -0.0015527) + (\text{Glazing} * 0.2056) + (\text{Sqm/person} * -0.29736) \\ \text{Space Cooling Demand (kWh/m}^2\text{)} &= 221.74 + (\text{Orientation} * -0.113490) + (\text{Shading Factor} * 0.92903) + (\text{Window to Wall Ratio} \\ &\quad * 1.2373) + (\text{Glazing} * 42.8218) + (\text{Sqm/person} * -1.11499) \\ \text{Space Electricity Demand (kWh/m}^2\text{)} &= 119.33 + (\text{Orientation} * -0.00012) + (\text{Shading Factor} * .000299) + (\text{Window to Wall} \\ &\quad \text{Ratio} * 0.0006) + (\text{Glazing} * 0.05006) + (\text{Sqm/person} * -7.1225) \end{aligned}$$

Internal Zone

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Space Cooling Demand (kWh/m}^2\text{)} &= 279.0139 + (\text{Sqm/Person} * -13.315) \\ \text{Space Heating Demand (kWh/m}^2\text{)} &= 23.18775 + (\text{Sqm/Person} * -0.7693) \\ \text{Space Electricity Demand (kWh/m}^2\text{)} &= 128.759 + (\text{Sqm/Person} * -7.4329) \end{aligned}$$

Not so simple to use!!! Can it be simplified??

Sensitivity Analysis Tool

What is the Alternative way of presenting the result in a usable and interactive form ??



Conclusion



Translate the inputs into an interactive Excel Sheet!!!



Microsoft Excel
Macro-Enabled Worksheet

Tool Outputs:

- Influence of building parameter's on building energy- **Sensitivity of parameters**
 - Interactive **Building footprint and load profile generation**
 - **Real time demand statistics** as per dynamic user parameter inputs

Way Forward

Immediate:

- Include **Daylighting simulation Input into Thermal Simulation**
 - Include **more building parameters**
- Flexibility of zoning (**Internal/ External**) for building footprints

Long Term:

- Trying to include the **neighboring/ surrounding context for formulating the regression coefficients**
 - **Include equations for Natural Ventilation and Daylighting potential**
 - Analyze **comfort and loads** simultaneously

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