

LITERATURE REVIEW OF UNCERTAINTY OF ANALYSIS METHODS

(DOE-2 Program)

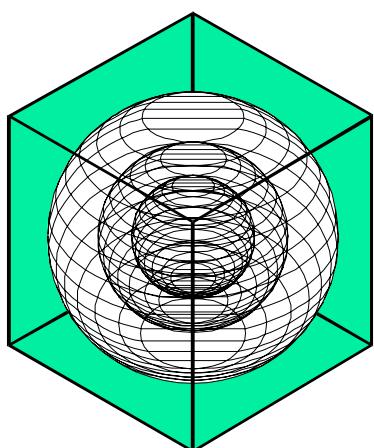
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1 Executive Summary

This report reviews the reported uncertainty of the DOE-2 simulation program by reviewing the published accuracy of DOE-2 simulations versus: measured data (Empirical Validation), other simulation methods (Comparative Test), and analytical calculation (Analytical Verification). This report includes a review of the history of the DOE-2 simulation program. In summary, from the literature it was found that DOE-2 simulations versus measured data were shown to vary by 10% (reported in 33 of 47 studies) to 26% (reported in 14 of 47 studies). DOE-2 simulations versus simulations by other programs showed agreement in the 1% to 30% range, and from 1% to 15% when weighted by building size. DOE-2 predictions of whole-building energy use versus analytical calculations were shown to vary from 0% to 5%. One report that focused on component modeling showed that DOE-2 versus analytical calculations varied from 0.2% to 18.7%.

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2 Introduction

This literature review covers the DOE-2 simulation program, which is one of the legacy programs in the ESL's Emissions Calculator (eCalc), a web-based emissions reductions calculator. The eCalc program is a tool for those who want to see how their energy savings have reduced NOx emissions, which are produced by on-site combustion of natural gas, or at fossil-fuel burning power plants that supply the electricity. This report includes a brief history of the development of the DOE-2 program, and includes an analysis of the reported accuracies of the DOE-2 program. For the validation of the DOE-2 program, peer-reviewed literature that presented case studies using one of three methodologies (empirical, comparative, or analytical) were reviewed and summarized.

3 History of the DOE-2 Simulation Program

DOE-2 is a computer simulation program for evaluating the energy performance and associated operating costs of buildings. The first version of DOE-2 was released by the Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory (LBL) in 1978 (Leighton et al., 1978). As shown in Figure 1, DOE-2 evolved from previous simulations developed in the public and private sectors.

The transient heat transfer calculation methods used in DOE-2 can be traced to the dynamic analysis method first introduced in the 1920's in France by Nessi and Nisolle (1925) who used the Response Factor Method (RFM) for calculating transient heat flow in their paper "Regimes Variables de Fonctionnement dans les Installations de Chauffage Central." In the U.S., this method was first published in an Electrical Engineering journal by Tustin (1947) entitled, "A Method of Analyzing the Behavior of Linear Systems in Terms of Time Series," which used time-series concept. This was followed by the paper by Brisken and Reque (1956) who presented a paper using the RFM that used rectangular pulses; and then by Hill (1957) who was the first to use the application of triangular pulses to improve the accuracy of the method. The RFM has also been referenced by several other authors (Stewart, 1948; Pipes, 1957; Holden, 1963; Muncey, 1963).

Of special importance to DOE-2, the RFM was demonstrated to be particularly efficient at calculating transient heat transfer through multi-layer walls in the series of papers by Mitalas et al. (1960), Mitalas (1965), Mitalas and Stephenson (1966; 1967), Stephenson and Mitalas (1967). These procedures were then incorporated into the computer programs by Kusuda (1969; 1970; 1971; 1974).

The first use of computers for the design and analysis of building systems began in the mid 1960s when a group of mechanical engineers organized the Automated Procedures for Engineering Consultants, Inc. (APEC). The first program developed by APEC was the APEC Heating and Cooling Peak Load Calculation (HCC) program (APEC, 1967), which was used for calculating hourly peak and annual heating-cooling loads for heating, ventilating, and air-conditioning (HVAC) systems in buildings. The APEC members were later formed into the ASHRAE Task Group on Energy Requirements (TGER), who then published the procedures for determining heating and cooling loads for computerizing energy calculations (Lokmanhekim ed., 1969; Stoecker ed., 1969;

Stoecker, 1975; ASHRAE, 1975). These publications included the procedures for simulating the dynamic heat transfer through building envelopes, procedures for calculating psychrometric properties, and the algorithms for simulating the primary and secondary HVAC system components.

When such procedures became known to design engineers, the General American Transportation Corporation (GATC) was commissioned by the U.S. Post Office to develop the first public domain energy analysis program (Lokmanhekim et al., 1971), which was based on the Response Factors Method and the Weighting Factor Method (WFM). The program developed for the U.S. Postal Service, called the “Post Office Program,” was merged with the National Bureau of Standards Load Determination (NBSLD) program (Kusuda, 1974), which was then used for developing a life-cycle cost analysis of building components.

Four years after the development of the Post Office Program, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) developed and released the NASA Cost Analysis Program (NECAP) (Henninger ed., 1975), which was an enhanced version of previously developed Post Office Program. In 1976, NECAP was significantly upgraded through collaborations with the Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory, the Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory, the Argonne National Laboratory, and several private entities, including the Computation Consultants Bureau. In 1977, NECAP was renamed CAL-ERDA (Graven and Hirsch, 1977; Bennet et al., 1977) to recognize that the primary support for the program came from the State of California and the Energy Research and Development Administration – ERDA (which later became the Department of Energy).

Shortly thereafter, the California Energy Commission (CEC) adopted the CAL-ERDA program as the official building energy simulation program for California and briefly renamed it CAL/CON (Ayres and Stamper, 1995). After the Energy Research and Development Administration (ERDA) was renamed the U.S. Department of Energy (USDOE), the CAL/CON and CAL-ERDA programs were merged into DOE-1 (Leighton et al., 1978). One year later, the USDOE released version DOE-2 (Buhl et al., 1979). Since then, the DOE-2 program has been continually updated and improved by LBL (Buhl et al., 1981; 1983; 1984; 1989).

In 1993, LBL (renamed Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory) released the most recent version, DOE-2.1e (Buhl et al., 1993). This version incorporated a number of new models, including: ice storage systems, evaporative cooling systems, desiccant cooling systems, variable-speed heat pumps, etc. Updates and improvements have been added in DOE-2.1e since 1993, with versions up to DOE-2.1e-121 (LBNL, 2003). The ESL’s Emissions Calculator (eCalc), a web-based emissions reductions calculator, uses version DOE-2.1e-119 as the building simulation engine, with plans to migrate to DOE-2.1e-121 in 2005.

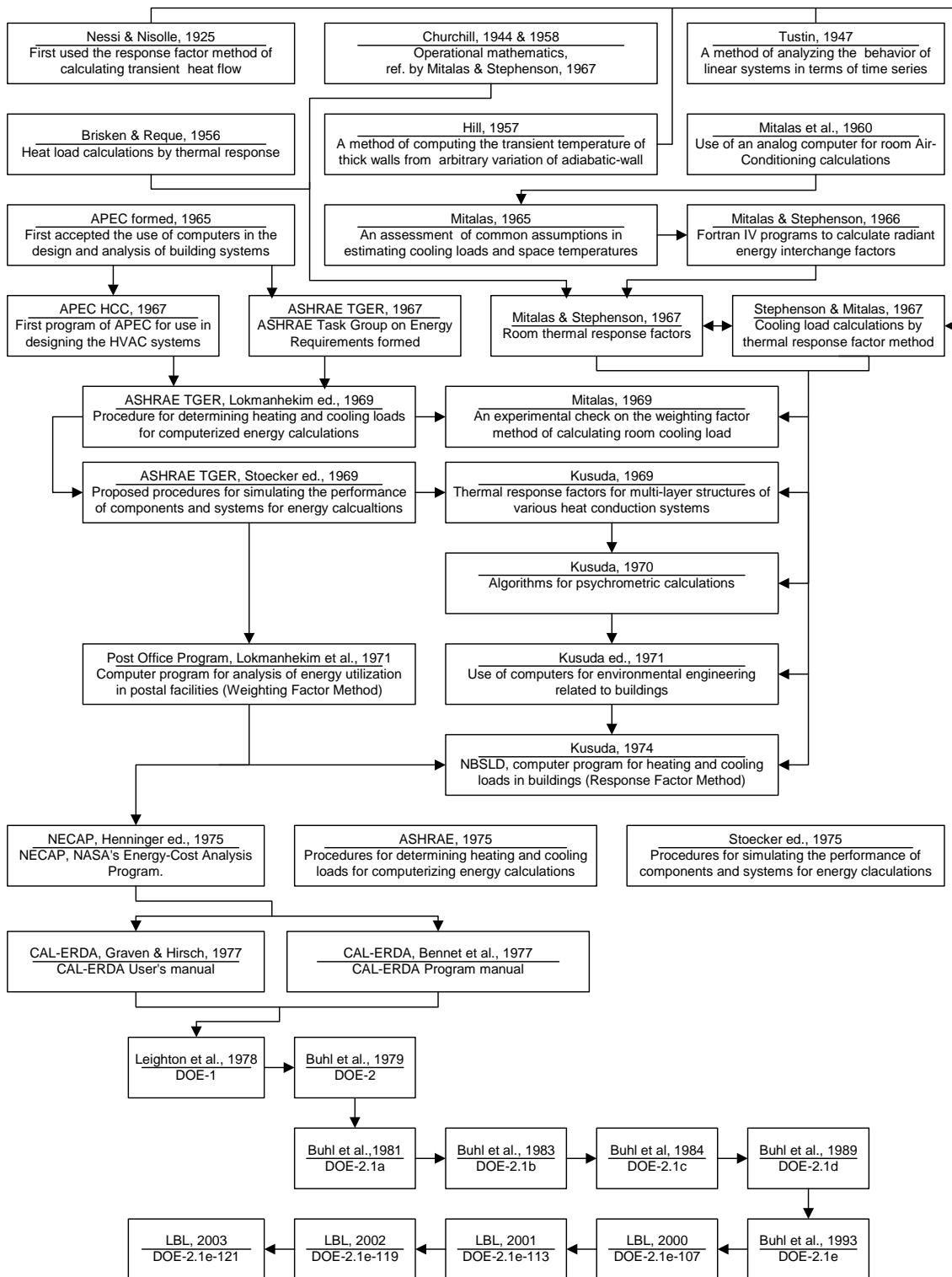


Figure 1. History Diagram of the DOE-2 Simulation Program.

4 Accuracy of the DOE-2 Simulation Program

Typical building energy simulation programs contain many variables and parameters. Varying each of these parameters in combination creates an astronomical number of possible cases and, consequently, cannot practically be fully tested. For this reason, the validation methodology for the building energy simulation programs uses three primary kinds of tests: (1) empirical validation, (2) comparative test, and (3) analytical verification (Judkoff et al., 1983; Judkoff, 1988). Each of these verification methods has its own advantages and disadvantages. Other software testing methods have been developed by a number of researchers since NREL first developed the three test methods (Judkoff et al., 1983; Bloomfield, 1988; Bowman and Lomas, 1985; Irving, 1988; Judkoff, 1988; Judkoff and Neymark, 1995b; Lomas, 1991; Lomas et al., 1994). The sections that follow summarize the results of literature surveys about the validation of the DOE-2 simulation program based on three different methods.

4.1 Empirical Validation

Empirical tests are comparisons of simulation results against experimentally obtained data. This validation technique provides an accuracy measure within accuracy of the data acquisition system and complexity of measurement. The disadvantage of this method is the degree of input uncertainty from measurement, the high expense of performing detailed measurements of high quality, and the limitation of the number of data sites that are economically practical.

Figure 2 shows the literature that contain case studies of empirical validations of the DOE-2 simulation program. The figure shows the DOE-2 agreement with measured data numerically, and includes building types, building locations, the climate zones where the buildings were located (Figure 3).

A total of forty-eight cases have been reported from eighteen papers showing DOE-2 accuracy compared to the measured data. The main applications of these studies were to commercial construction that included office buildings, retail stores, restaurants, and hospitals, as reported in eighteen of the forty-eight cases. Thirteen case studies applied residential buildings, eleven cases school buildings, and six cases others. Climate zones varied from Zone 2 to Zone 6, but mainly in mild climate zones (Zone 3 to Zone 5). Nine cases for other climate zones are applications to the buildings located outside the United States.

As indicated in Figure 2, DOE-2 simulations versus measured data were shown to be within 10% in 33 of 47 case studies and within 26% from 14 of 47 case studies. Seven cases were reported with qualitative results saying that DOE-2 showed reasonable or excellent agreement to measured data.

Year	Author	Title	Building Type	Location	Climate Zone	Data Comprised	Application	Accuracy	Accuracy (%)			Qualitative / Others	
									5	10	15		
1981	Diamond et al.	DOE-2 Verification Project Phase 1 Interim Report	School	Warwick, RI	4	Utility bills	Annual total energy consumption	Difference of 11%	11			Qual. & Oth.	
			School	Lincoln, NE	5	Utility bills	Annual total energy consumption	Difference of 2%	2				
			School	Glen Rock, NJ	4	Utility bills	Annual total energy consumption	Difference of 5%	5				
			School	Sioux Falls, SD	6	Utility bills	Annual total energy consumption	Difference of 14%	14				
			School	Langhorn, PA	4	Utility bills	Annual total energy consumption	Difference of 7%	7				
			School	Stevens Point, WI	6	Utility bills	Annual total energy consumption	Difference of 10%	10				
			School	Hindman, KY	4	Utility bills	Annual total energy consumption	Difference of 8%	8				
			School	Columbus, OH	5	Utility bills	Annual total energy consumption	Difference of 3%	3				
			School	Lubbock, TX	3	Utility bills	Annual total energy consumption	Difference of 13%	13				
			Single-floor office building	Santa Clara, CA	3	Utility bills	Annual total energy consumption for seven buildings	Standard deviation of 7.9%, 11.0 % for gas/fuel oil use and 9.2 % for electrical energy use	8				
1981	Diamond et al.	DOE-2 Verification Project Phase 1 Interim Report	Multi-floor office building	Dayton, OH	4	Utility bills	Annual total energy consumption for seven buildings	Standard deviation of 7.9%, 11.0 % for gas/fuel oil use and 9.2 % for electrical energy use	9			Qual. & Oth.	
			Retail store	Albuquerque, NM	5	Utility bills	Monthly energy consumption for seven buildings	Standard deviation of 16.7%, 26.3 % for gas/fuel oil use and 18.7 % for electrical energy use	17				
			Restaurant	Downers Grove, IL	5	Utility bills	Monthly energy consumption for seven buildings	Standard deviation of 16.7%, 26.3 % for gas/fuel oil use and 18.7 % for electrical energy use	19				
			Hospital	Chattanooga, TN	3	Utility bills	Monthly energy consumption for seven buildings	Standard deviation of 16.7%, 26.3 % for gas/fuel oil use and 18.7 % for electrical energy use	26				
			School	Kennewick, WA	4	Utility bills	Monthly energy consumption for seven buildings	Standard deviation of 16.7%, 26.3 % for gas/fuel oil use and 18.7 % for electrical energy use	8				
			National Security and Resources Study Center	Los Alamos, NM	5	Utility bills	Monthly energy consumption for seven buildings	Standard deviation of 16.7%, 26.3 % for gas/fuel oil use and 18.7 % for electrical energy use	12				
			Single floor office building	Santa Clara, CA	3	Utility bills	Annual total energy use for seven buildings	Standard deviation of less than 8% & maximum difference of 12%	8				
			Multi floor office building	Dayton, OH	4	Utility bills	Annual gas/fuel use for seven buildings	Standard deviation of 11%, ranging from 1% to 19%	11				
			Retail store	Albuquerque, NM	5	Utility bills	Annual electric energy use for seven buildings	Standard deviation of 9.2%, ranging from 1% to 15%	9				
			Restaurant	Downers Grove, IL	5	Utility bills	Fuel & electric energy use	Prediction within 5%	5				
1981	Diamond & Hunn	Comparison of DOE-2 Computer Program Simulations to Metered Data for Seven Commercial Buildings	Hospital	Chattanooga, TN	3	Utility bills						Qual. & Oth.	
			School	Kennewick, WA	4	Utility bills							
1981	Fleming and Associates	A DOE-2.1A Comparison with CERL Data for HVAC and REHEAT Systems	Solar-heated and cooled building	Los Alamos, NM	5	Utility bills						Qual. & Oth.	
			Test chambers	Laboratory	65F -80F	Monitored data							

Figure 2. Empirical Validation Studies for the Accuracy of the DOE-2 Program.

Year	Author	Title	Building Type	Location	Climate Zone	Data Comprised	Applications	Accuracy	Accuracy (%)				Qualitative / Others	
									5	10	15	20	25	30
1983	Wagner & Rosenfeld	A Summary Report of Building Energy Compilation and Analysis (BECA) Part V: Validation of Energy Analysis Computer Programs	Commercial	Seven cities	3, 4, & 5	Utility bills	Annual total energy use	Standard deviation of 7.9%		8				
1983	Judkoff et al.	Measured Versus Predicted Performance of the SERI Test House: A Validation Study	Residential	Windsor, Ontario, Canada	Canada	Utility bills	Annual total heating energy	Agreement within 5%		5				
		The Validation of DOE-2 for Application to Single-Family Dwellings	Residential	Golden, CO	5	Monitored data	Whole-house heating load	Predictions within 7%		7				
1984	Hall & Wilson	Comparisons of Predicted and Measured Energy Use in Occupied Buildings	A house with a full basement	Windsor, Ontario, Canada	Canada	Monitored data	Interior air temperature	Prediction errors from 10% to 17%		10	17			
		One zone passive solar house	A house with a slab-on-grade construction	Windsor, Ontario, Canada	Canada	Monitored data	Natural gas consumption of heating system	Prediction within 5%		5				
1984	Wagner	User Effect Validation Tests of the DOE-2 Building Energy Analysis Computer Program	Single floor office building	Santa Clara, CA	3	Utility bills	Electric consumption of heating system	5% below the measured value		1				
1985	Diamond et al.	Validation of Hourly Building Energy Models for Residential Buildings	Multi floor office building	Dayton, OH	4	Utility bills	Electric consumption of heating system, space air temperature	Reasonable agreement for electric consumption and good agreement for space air temperature		5				
		Retail store	Albuquerque, NM	5	Utility bills	Monitored data								x
		Restaurant	Downers Grove, IL	5	Utility bills									x
		Test house	Gaithersburg, MD	4	Monitored data	Absolute energy use	Three levels of input control: (1) Uncontrolled input, (2) Refined input, and (3) Input by Standard evaluation technique	Uncontrolled input to refined input: Scatter reductions range from 19% to 63%						x
1985	Sorrell et al.	Validation of Hourly Building Energy Models for Residential Buildings	ORNL ACES control house	Oak Ridge, TN	4	Monitored data	Low mass / high mass structure	Refined input to SET input: Scatter reductions range from 22% to 48%						x
		NBS test house	Houston, TX	2	Monitored data	Relative hourly energy use	Model's prediction within 10% to 20%	More accurate for low mass structures / largest difference in small/high mass structure		5	--	20		
		Comparisons of Four Computer Models with Experimental Data from Test Buildings in Northern New Mexico	Test house (SWTMS)	Tesuque, NM	5	Monitored data	Cumulative heat loads	Least squares of 0.84 for the massive cells and 0.93 for the frame cells		10	--	20		x
1985	Robertson & Christian	Comparisons of Four Computer Models with Experimental Data from Test Buildings in Northern New Mexico					Interior temperatures	Least squares of 0.88 for the massive building and 0.94 for the insulated frame						x

Figure 2. Empirical Validation Studies for the Accuracy of the DOE-2 Program, Continued.

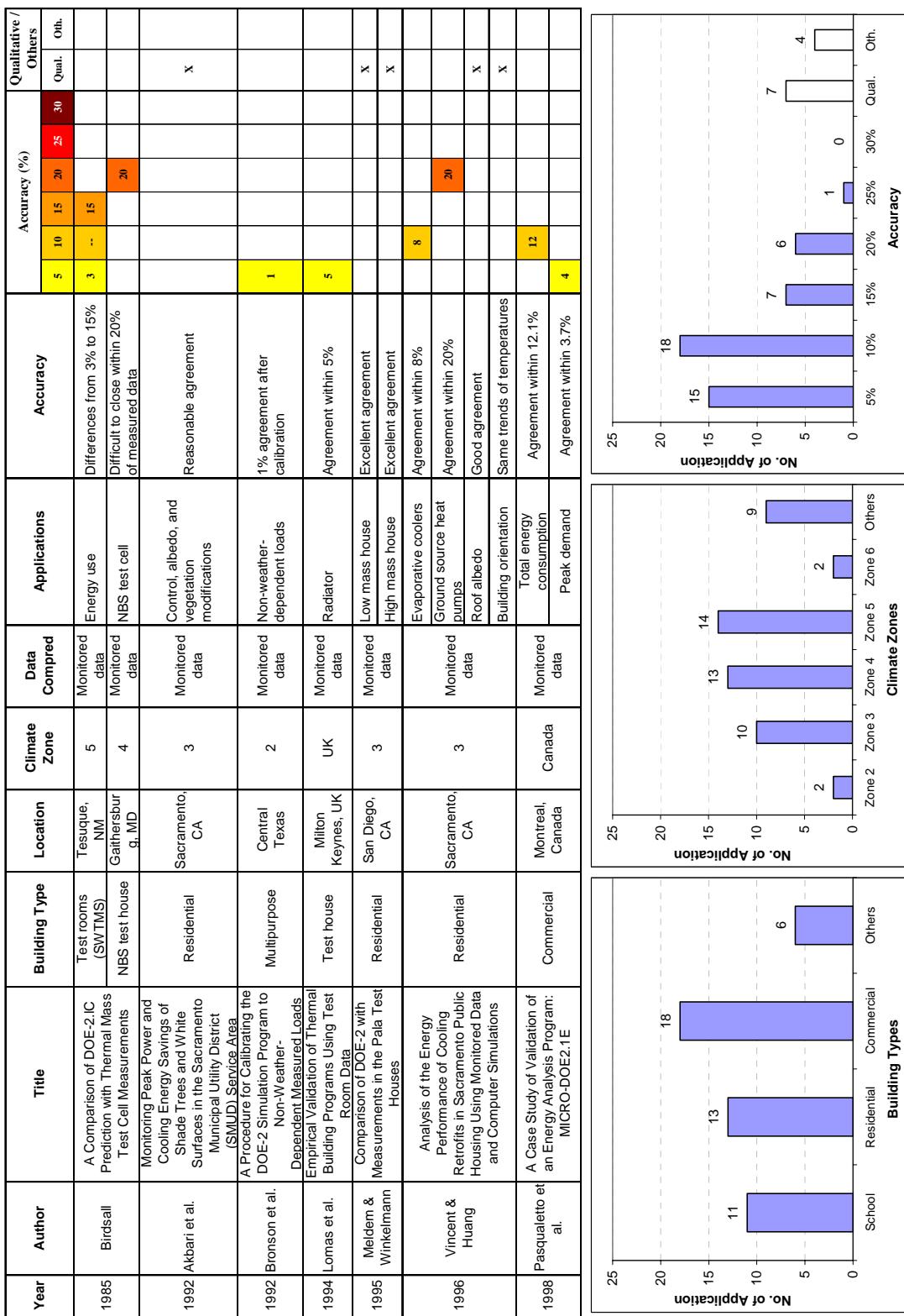


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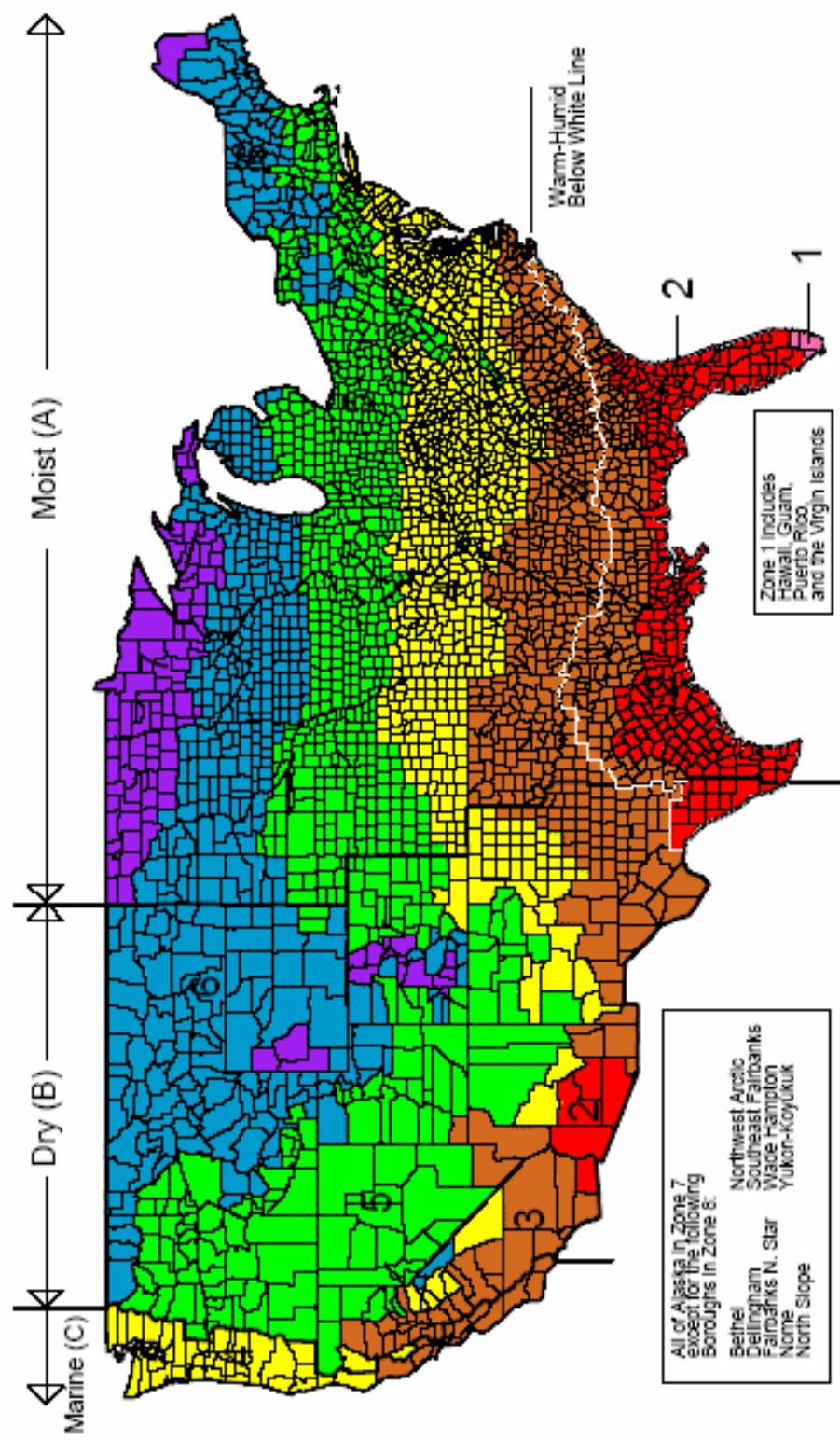


Figure 3. Map of DOE's Proposed Climate Zones (DOE, 2003).

4.2 Comparative Test

Comparative tests are comparisons of simulation results against other simulation programs. This method of validation has no input uncertainty or any adjustments for the level of complexity. Also, this test is less expensive, quicker to conduct, and therefore, covers a larger number of comparisons. Unfortunately, a comparative test has no truth standard, while the empirical verification can approximate the “truth,” as determined from accurate measurements.

The most widely cited comparative validation testing for building energy simulation programs was first conceived in the 1980s at the Solar Energy Research Institute (Judkoff et al., 1983). Since then, many efforts have been performed to develop standardized comparative procedures for evaluating and diagnosing a wide range of energy simulation tools (Judkoff, 1985a; Judkoff, 1985b; Judkoff and Neymark, 1995a; Judkoff and Neymark, 1995b; Judkoff, 1988; Neymark and Judkoff, 2001; Moinard et al., 1998; and Travesi, 1988).

In 1995, the International Energy Agency (IEA) released a comparative set of tests, the Building Energy Simulation Test (BESTEST) (Judkoff and Neymark, 1995a). Later, ASHRAE Standard Project Committee 140 adopted the IEA BESTEST, and incorporated it into ASHRAE’s Standard Method of Test (SMOT) in ASHRAE Standard 140-2001 (ASHRAE, 2001). ASHRAE Standard 140 includes reference results for eight different simulations to provide a comparison point for testing other simulation programs, including the ESP, BLAST, SRES/SUN, SERIRES, S3PAS, TRNSYS, TASE, and DOE-2 computer simulation programs. For each test case, results were compared for cooling and heating loads, peak heating and peak cooling loads, and for free-floating cases as well.

Table 1 is a summary of the simulation results from the eight different programs based on the results of case studies included in the ASHRAE Standard 140 (ASHRAE, 2001). The table shows DOE-2 simulation results along with average values from eight programs and DOE-2 deviations from average values of eight programs for each case and for an average of all cases as well. For the Annual Sensible Cooling Load, as shown in Table 1, the DOE-2 average deviation from the eight programs’ average was 30%, which includes cases where loads were very small compared to the modeling error. Therefore, the average values were restated based on weighted calculations, since the Standard 140 cases 400, 410, 420, 430, and 800 showed the largest deviations for the DOE-2 program in buildings with small cooling consumption numbers compared to the other cases, which were cases in the heating-dominant climate areas.

Figure 4 shows the summary of DOE-2 deviations from the average values of the eight programs. DOE-2 simulations versus simulations by other programs showed agreement in the 1% to 30% range (unweighted), and 1% to 15% (weighted). In the weighted comparisons for DOE-2, the annual heating and cooling load variations were 12% and 11%, respectively, and the weighted annual peak heating and cooling loads were 1% and 6%, respectively. Hourly heating and cooling load variations for DOE-2 (Case 600 and

Case 900) were 7% and 6%, respectively. Variations in cooling loads from solar radiation for DOE-2, which is important for evaluating low-e windows, were 3% to 15%.

ANNUAL HEATING LOADS					ANNUAL SENSIBLE COOLING LOADS				
Program	DOE2	Average of 8 Programs (MWh)	DOE2 Deviation from Average	Weighted Average	Program	DOE2	Average of 8 Programs (MWh)	DOE2 Deviation from Average	Weighted Average
Country	USA				Country	USA			
CASE #	MWh				CASE #	MWh			
600	5.709	5.127	11%	0.50%	600	7.079	6.897	3%	0.36%
610	5.786	5.184	12%	0.52%	610	4.852	5.062	4%	0.42%
620	5.944	5.455	9%	0.42%	620	4.334	4.280	1%	0.11%
630	6.469	5.826	11%	0.56%	630	2.489	2.902	14%	0.82%
640	3.543	3.241	9%	0.26%	640	6.759	6.659	1%	0.20%
650	0				650	5.795	5.535	5%	0.51%
900	1.872	1.790	5%	0.07%	900	2.455	2.743	10%	0.57%
910	2.254	2.105	7%	0.13%	910	0.976	1.525	36%	1.09%
920	4.255	4.019	6%	0.20%	920	2.44	2.611	7%	0.34%
930	5.335	4.782	12%	0.48%	930	1.266	1.706	26%	0.87%
940	1.239	1.192	4%	0.04%	940	2.34	2.637	11%	0.59%
950	0				950	0.538	0.634	15%	0.19%
960	2.928	2.895	1%	0.03%	960	0.428	0.639	33%	0.42%
195					195				
200					200				
210					210				
215					215				
220	8.787	7.670	15%	0.96%	220	0.399	0.686	42%	0.57%
230	12.243	11.200	9%	0.90%	230	0.692	0.981	29%	0.57%
240	7.448	6.402	16%	0.90%	240	0.66	1.050	37%	0.77%
250	7.024	6.076	16%	0.82%	250	2.177	2.827	23%	1.29%
270					270				
280					280				
290					290				
300					300				
310					310				
320					320				
395	5.835	5.057	15%	0.67%	395	0			
400	8.77	7.552	16%	1.05%	400	0.002	0.042	95%	0.08%
410	10.506	9.306	13%	1.04%	410	0.01	0.061	84%	0.10%
420	9.151	8.016	14%	0.98%	420	0.051	0.144	65%	0.18%
430	7.827	6.755	16%	0.93%	430	0.422	0.651	35%	0.45%
440					440				
800	7.228	6.184	17%	0.90%	800	0.055	0.218	75%	0.32%
810					810				0.00%
Average Deviation		11%	12%	Average Deviation		30%	11%		
ANNUAL HOURLY INTEGRATED PEAK HEATING LOADS									
Program	DOE2	Average of 8 Programs (MWh)	DOE2 Deviation from Average	Weighted Average	Program	DOE2	Average of 8 Programs (MWh)	DOE2 Deviation from Average	Weighted Average
Country	USA				Country	USA			
CASE #	MWh				CASE #	MWh			
600	4.045	4.053	0%	0.01%	600	6.656	6.512	2%	0.2%
610	4.034	4.050	0%	0.02%	610	6.064	6.026	1%	0.1%
620	4.046	4.117	2%	0.09%	620	4.43	4.424	0%	0.0%
630	4.025	4.058	1%	0.04%	630	3.588	3.683	3%	0.1%
640	5.943	6.161	4%	0.26%	640	6.576	6.464	2%	0.2%
650	0				650	6.516	6.375	2%	0.2%
900	3.557	3.566	0%	0.01%	900	3.458	3.451	0%	0.0%
910	3.564	3.574	0%	0.01%	910	2.336	2.794	16%	0.7%
920	3.805	3.858	1%	0.06%	920	3.109	3.150	1%	0.1%
930	3.832	3.847	0%	0.02%	930	2.388	2.548	6%	0.2%
940	5.665	5.658	0%	0.01%	940	3.458	3.451	0%	0.0%
950	0				950	2.664	2.738	3%	0.1%
960	2.727	2.720	0%	0.01%	960	1.057	1.256	16%	0.3%
195					195				
200					200				
210					210				
215					215				
220	3.465	3.401	2%	0.08%	220	0.937	1.142	18%	0.3%
230	4.994	5.022	1%	0.03%	230	1.455	1.657	12%	0.3%
240	3.282	3.213	2%	0.08%	240	1.119	1.327	16%	0.3%
250	3.465	3.400	2%	0.08%	250	2.605	3.180	18%	0.9%
270					270				
280					280				
290					290				
300					300				
310					310				
320					320				
395	2.328	2.262	3%	0.08%	395	0			
400	3.476	3.401	2%	0.09%	400	0.265	0.525	50%	0.4%
410	4.233	4.206	1%	0.03%	410	0.413	0.648	36%	0.4%
420	4.05	4.019	1%	0.04%	420	0.631	0.864	27%	0.4%
430	4.05	4.021	1%	0.03%	430	1.427	1.829	22%	0.6%
440					440				
800	3.909	3.860	1%	0.06%	800	0.743	1.067	30%	0.5%
810					810				
Average Deviation		1%	1%	Average Deviation		13%	6%		

Table 1. Comparison of DOE-2 Simulation Results with Average Values from Eight Simulation Programs (ASHRAE, 2001).

HOURLY HEATING & COOLING LOAD DATA			
CASE 600 JAN 4			
[USE (-) FOR COOLING]			
Program	DOE2.1D	Average of 8 Programs (kWh)	DOE2 Deviation from Average
Country	USA		
HOUR	kWh		
1	3.926	3.915	0%
2	4.035	4.035	0%
3	4.013	4.017	0%
4	4.041	4.017	1%
5	4.045	4.026	0%
6	4.036	4.028	0%
7	4.045	4.029	0%
8	3.857	3.883	1%
9	2.559	2.717	6%
10	0.843	1.191	29%
11	0		
12	-1.552	-1.043	49%
13	-2.854	-2.576	11%
14	-3.398	-3.125	9%
15	-3.116	-2.796	11%
16	-1.82	-1.555	17%
17	0		
18	0.775	0.860	10%
19	2.232	2.270	2%
20	2.933	2.892	1%
21	3.323	3.263	2%
22	3.487	3.413	2%
23	3.514	3.496	1%
24	3.561	3.529	1%
Average Deviation		7%	

HOURLY HEATING & COOLING LOAD DATA			
CASE 900 JAN 4			
[USE (-) FOR COOLING]			
Program	DOE2.1D	Average of 8 Programs (kWh)	DOE2 Deviation from Average
Country	USA		
HOUR	kWh		
1	3.101	3.165	2%
2	3.237	3.302	2%
3	3.279	3.335	2%
4	3.377	3.399	1%
5	3.446	3.464	1%
6	3.498	3.516	1%
7	3.557	3.564	0%
8	3.516	3.542	1%
9	2.974	3.001	1%
10	2.202	2.274	3%
11	1.034	1.113	7%
12	0.232	0.309	25%
13	0		
14	0		
15	0		
16	0		
17	0		
18	0.739	0.991	25%
19	1.14	1.367	17%
20	1.429	1.603	11%
21	1.7	1.839	8%
22	1.894	2.017	6%
23	2.028	2.151	6%
24	2.193	2.281	4%
Average Deviation		6%	

SOLAR RADIATION			
ANNUAL INCIDENT TOTAL (Case 600)			
Program	DOE2.1D	Average of 8 Programs (kWh/m ²)	DOE2 Deviation from Average
Country	USA		
Surface	kWh/m ²		
NORTH	434	428.533	1%
EAST	1155	1083.717	7%
WEST	1079	1007.667	7%
SOUTH	1566	1486.450	5%
HORZ.	1831	1828.967	0%
Average Deviation		4%	

ANNUAL FREE-FLOAT TEMPERATURE OUTPUT			
MAXIMUM ANNUAL HOURLY ZONE TEMPERATURE (C)			
Program	DOE2	Average of 8 Programs (MWh)	DOE2 Deviation from Average
Country	USA		
CASE #	MWh		
600FF	69.5	66.140	5%
900FF	42.7	43.165	1%
650FF	68.2	64.601	6%
950FF	35.9	36.670	2%
960	49	50.704	3%
Average Deviation		3%	

SOLAR RADIATION			
UNSHADED ANNUAL TRANSMITTED			
Program	DOE2.1D	Average of 8 Programs (kWh/m ²)	DOE2 Deviation from Average
Country	USA		
CASE#	kWh/m ²		
920WEST	735	665.855	10%
900SOUTH	1051	956.495	10%
Average Deviation		10%	

MINIMUM ANNUAL HOURLY ZONE TEMPERATURE (C)			
Program	DOE2	Average of 8 Programs (kWh/m ²)	DOE2 Deviation from Average
Country	USA		
CASE#	TEMP (C)		
600FF	-18.8	-17.780	6%
900FF	-4.3	-4.558	6%
650FF	-21.6	-22.764	5%
950FF	-18.6	-19.684	6%
960	3.9		
Average Deviation		6%	

SOLAR RADIATION			
SHADED ANNUAL TRANSMITTED			
Program	DOE2.1D	Average of 8 Programs (kWh/m ²)	DOE2 Deviation from Average
Country	USA		
CASE#	kWh/m ²		
930WEST	481	480.760	0%
910SOUTH	831	788.977	5%
Average Deviation		3%	

AVERAGE ANNUAL HOURLY ZONE TEMPERATURE (C)			
Program	DOE2	Average of 8 Programs (kWh/m ²)	DOE2 Deviation from Average
Country	USA		
CASE#	TEMP (C)		
600FF	24.6	25.061	2%
900FF	24.7	25.134	2%
650FF	19.1	18.668	2%
950FF	14.3	14.428	1%
960	28	28.035	0%
Average Deviation		3%	

Table 1. Comparison of DOE-2 Simulation Results with Average Values from Eight Simulation Programs (ASHRAE, 2001), Continued.

HOURLY INCIDENT SOLAR RADIATION, CLEAR DAY, JULY 27			
CASE 600			
SOUTH SURFACE			
Program	DOE2.1D	Average of 8 Programs (kWh/m ²)	DOE2 Deviation from Average
Country	USA		
HOUR	Wh/m ²		
6	20.11	26.247	23%
7	70.22	72.669	3%
8	108.13	99.966	8%
9	219.58	204.276	7%
10	343.67	326.168	5%
11	435.54	415.069	5%
12	475.37	453.290	5%
13	488.49	462.691	6%
14	443.66	412.761	7%
15	367.07	332.691	10%
16	246.71	209.968	17%
17	119.19	110.256	8%
18	68.86	72.627	5%
19	19.75	19.023	4%
Average Deviation		8%	
Clear Day South & West Average Deviation:			
HOURLY INCIDENT SOLAR RADIATION, CLEAR DAY, JULY 27			
CASE 600			
WEST SURFACE			
Program	DOE2.1D	Average of 8 Programs (kWh/m ²)	DOE2 Deviation from Average
Country	USA		
HOUR	Wh/m ²		
6	19.96	26.235	24%
7	65.86	72.297	9%
8	97.11	92.419	5%
9	116.89	109.989	6%
10	128.97	123.231	5%
11	138.05	136.068	1%
12	141.34	140.456	1%
13	243.51	254.611	4%
14	462.83	458.745	1%
15	664.62	640.457	4%
16	786.35	733.552	7%
17	649.05	537.452	21%
18	243.11	165.633	47%
19	43.19	29.784	45%
Average Deviation		13%	
Clear Day South & West Average Deviation:			

HOURLY INCIDENT SOLAR RADIATION CLOUDY DAY, MARCH 5			
CASE 600 OR 900			
SOUTH SURFACE			
Program	DOE2.1D	Average of 8 Programs (kWh/m ²)	DOE2 Deviation from Average
Country	USA		
HOUR	Wh/m ²		
7	1.5	2.777	46%
8	12.59	19.467	35%
9	30.01	37.566	20%
10	46.23	53.432	13%
11	59.31	63.211	6%
12	65.05	69.045	6%
13	66.98	69.741	4%
14	63.11	64.360	2%
15	51.79	53.454	3%
16	37.13	38.133	3%
17	19.14	20.257	6%
18	4.62	3.049	52%
Average Deviation		16%	
Cloudy Day South & West Average Deviation:			
HOURLY INCIDENT SOLAR RADIATION CLOUDY DAY, MARCH 5			
CASE 600 OR 900			
WEST SURFACE			
Program	DOE2.1D	Average of 8 Programs (kWh/m ²)	DOE2 Deviation from Average
Country	USA		
HOUR	Wh/m ²		
7	1.8	2.781	35%
8	13.92	19.076	27%
9	31.75	36.860	14%
10	45.24	52.001	13%
11	56.63	61.465	8%
12	61.58	67.037	8%
13	63.7	68.153	7%
14	61.46	63.651	3%
15	51.67	53.463	3%
16	37.2	38.763	4%
17	16.72	20.862	20%
18	2.52	3.007	16%
Average Deviation		13%	
Cloudy Day South & West Average Deviation:			

Table 1. Comparison of DOE-2 Simulation Results with Average Values from Eight Simulation Programs (ASHRAE, 2001), Continued.

DOE-2 Deviation from Average Values of Eight Simulation Programs
(Comparative Test - ASHRAE Standard 140)

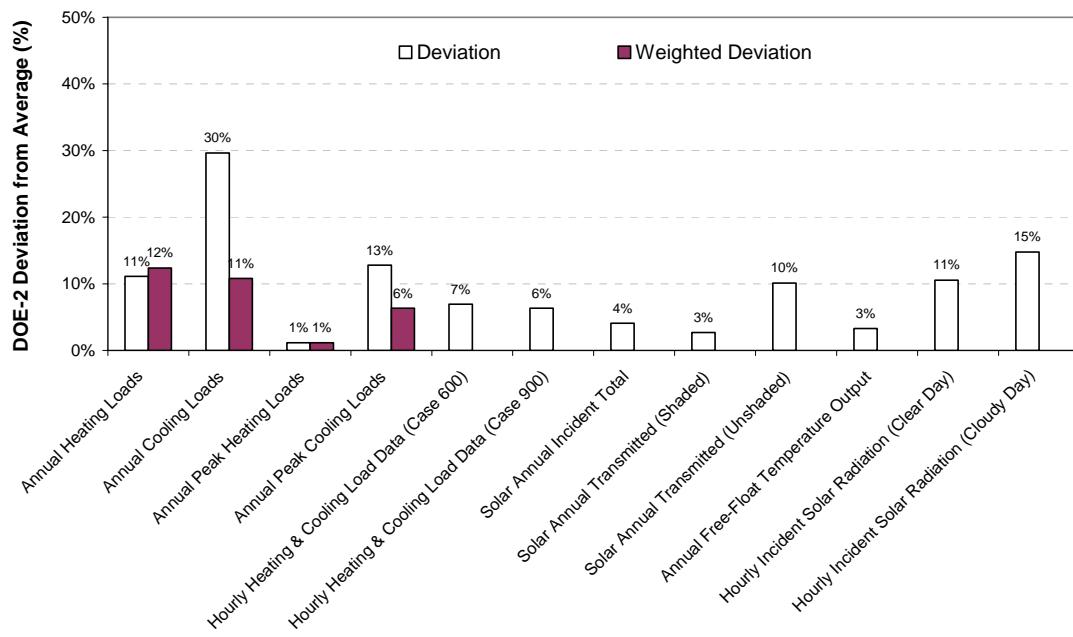


Figure 4. Summary Chart for the Comparison of DOE-2 Simulation Results with Average Values from Eight Simulation Programs.

4.3 Analytical Verification

Analytical verification, one of three validation methods for building simulation programs, compares the output from a computer program, subroutine, or algorithm to the result from a known analytical solution or accepted numerical solution for specific heat transfer cases under very rigid boundary conditions. This validation technique has an exact truth standard, less complex models, and no input uncertainty. However, it does not test the entire model, and is limited to cases for which analytical solutions can be derived (Judkoff and Neymark, 1999).

The Building Energy Performance Analysis Club (BEPAC) in the United Kingdom published a test suite for validating building simulation programs (Bland, 1992; 1993), including FORTRAN routines for calculating the validation. Earlier, a set of analytical solutions for testing key heat transfer mechanisms in the codes were produced (Judkoff et al., 1983; Wortman et al., 1981). In 2002, IEA developed the HVAC BESTEST report as an extension of the HVAC BESTEST for testing mechanical system simulation models, including analytical solutions (Neymark and Judkoff, 2002).

Table 2 shows comparisons between DOE-2 test results from two organizations, Centro de Investigaciones Energéticas, Medioambientales y Technologicas (CIEMAT), the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL), and analytical test results from two other organizations, Technische Universität Dresden (TUD) and Hochschule Technik + Architektur Luzern (HTAL), where two different tests were performed (Neymark and Judkoff, 2002). In these tests comparisons were made to the energy consumption of compressors and fans used for cooling, to the Coefficient of Performance (COP), to the indoor temperatures, the humidity ratio, to the sensible and latent cooling loads, and to the sensible and latent zone loads.

Figure 5 is a summary of comparisons from this report that show the deviations of the DOE-2 results from the results of the analytical calculations. In the majority of cases the DOE-2 agreement with analytical calculation was within 1%. DOE-2 showed a 4.9% deviation for the fan cooling energy consumption and a 1.8% deviation for both the COP and humidity ratio deviations.

Further studies have been performed and reported. In one study an analytical verification test suite was developed for building fabric models in whole-building energy simulation programs (Rees et al., 2002). However, applications were made to the BLAST program, not to the DOE-2 program. In another validation suite fuel-fired furnace models were developed for analytical and semi-analytical solutions (Purdy and Morrison, 2003). In this study DOE-2 results were compared to analytical and semi-analytical calculations along with other programs (ESP-r/HOT3000 and EnergyPlus) and showed very good correlation to the analytical/semi-analytical solutions as well as to the other programs.

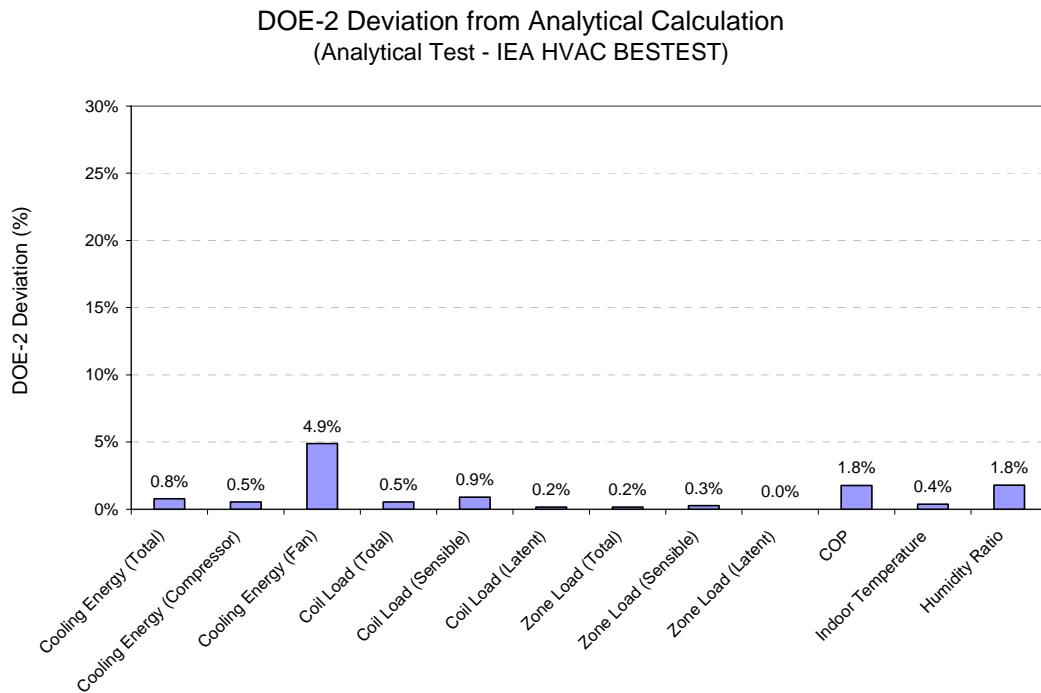
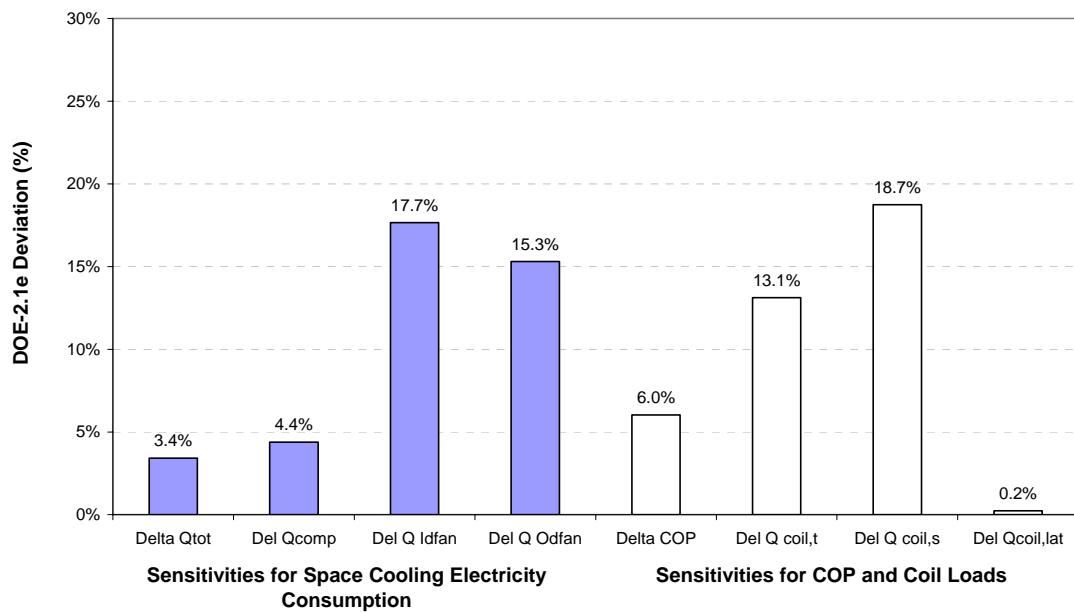


Figure 5. Summary Chart of Analytical Tests for the Accuracy of the DOE-2 Program.

Sensitivity tests were also performed by the same organizations for both DOE-2 (CIEMAT and NREL) and analytical solutions (TUD and HTAL), and the results were included in the HVAC BESTEST (Neymark and Judkoff, 2002). Table 3 shows comparisons between the DOE-2 sensitivity test results and analytical sensitivity solutions. Sensitivity comparisons were made to the energy consumption of compressors and fans used for space cooling, to the Coefficient of Performance (COP), and to the sensible and latent loads for coil.

A summary of the sensitivity tests is shown in Figure 6 where the DOE-2 deviations of sensitivities from the sensitivities of analytical solutions are depicted. The DOE-2 sensitivity deviations from the sensitivities of analytical solutions are shown to be within 20%. Sensitivity of indoor fan (supply fan) load calculation from DOE-2 showed 17.7%, which is the extreme in the category of space cooling loads, while total space cooling loads showed the least deviation of 3.4%. In the sensitivities for COP and coil loads, the sensible coil load showed the highest deviation of 18.7%, while the latent coil load is the lowest at 0.2%.

**DOE-2 Deviation from Analytical Calculation
(Sensitivity Test - IEA HVAC BESTEST)**



(Note: Qtot=Total Load, Del=Delta, Q_{Idfan}=Indoor fan (Supply fan) load, Q_{Odfan}=Outdoor fan (Condenser fan) load, COP=Coefficient of performance, t=Total, s=Sensible, and lat=Latent)

Figure 6. Summary Chart of Sensitivity Tests for the Accuracy of the DOE-2 Program.

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