ENERGY ANALYSIS IN RESIDENTIAL BUILDING FOR INSULATION ROOF MATERIAL USING BUILDING INFORMATION MODELLING. DOI:10.36909/jer.ACMM.16303

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ABSTRACT

Energy efficient is becoming a significant subject to investigate within the Architecture Engineering and Construction (AEC), as a result of the expanding heating and energy usage problem. Lack of interoperability has been identified as a hurdle to increased efficiency in the AEC. In order to fulfil the expanding demands around the world, the energy analysis must be incorporated into the building's planning section. Predicting a building's energy use and establishing an energy-saving life and style are both required. To conduct an energy study of a G+3 residential structure, the article uses Autodesk (BIM) capabilities. The goals of this project are to find BIM energy analysis into calculating a building's energy consumption, as well as to conclude the life cycle cost and energy cost over time, in same building. This study's primary focus is on roof materials and alternatives accomplished with the use of Autodesk Revit software and Green Building Studio, a cloud-based energy analysis application.

Keywords: Energy simulation analysis, Residential building, Energy usage, Building Information Modeling, Green Building Studio.

INTRODUCTION

The construction sector has to focus on the design and construction of structures. Green building has now become a symbol of the construction industry's commitment to long-term economic, environmental, and social well-being (Hedayati 2016). Residential building energy use and CO₂ emissions are influenced by a number of factors. The first one is the energy mix as well as the other is the structure's design and current electromechanical technology (Vogiatzi et al. 2018). The Building Life Cycle which begins with design and continues through conception, occupation and destruction, defines the whole life cycle of a structure. This involves the incorporation of long-term energy-efficient architecture into all structures. As a result the majority of construction companies use sophisticated energy modeling and analysis tools (Venkataraman and Kannan 2013). Temperature has a big influence on how well a building works and how much energy it uses. The goals of a climatically responsive sustainable building design are to reduce energy consumption, conserve natural resources and create comfortable healthy and long-lasting living spaces. (Taleghani et.al2010). An crucial 3D model for existing structures can be generated using BIM, allowing for the quick completion of an underlying vitality assessment and examination of the method for structure maintenance. (Ashik Moulana and Syed Abdul Rahman 2017).

The roof is a crucial component of the structure. In selecting a roofing material, all technical aspects that define the quality of the materials that were used as well as the cost of the same must be considered. Ceramic and cement tiles as well as shingles are examples of heavy roofing, while sheet, roofing tar and plastics are examples of light roofing. Styles of roofing have advantages and disadvantages (Radziszewska-Zielina 2014, Banihashemi, Ding, and Wang 2015). Various studies have recorded and continue to emphasize the frequently considerable disparities found when comparing the anticipated energy usage outputs of these modeling techniques to the observed data energy usage in residential spaces since the early stages of energy simulation and modeling (Norford et al. 1994 and Agami Reddy 2006). In recent years, system performance and building component thermal properties have steadily improved resulting in a more comfortable interior atmosphere while consuming less energy for space heating (Hamilton et.al 2016). Several research have connected improved insulation and more energy-efficient heating and ventilation systems to lower energy use (Caldera, Corgnati et.al 2008, Catalina, Virgon et.al 2008). A building requires a specific quantity of energy to run, maintain user comfort and function (De Gracia and Cabeza 2015). The calculation of required energy demand is strongly reliant on energy balance. Energy losses

from the building envelope such as transmission and ventilation losses account for the required energy (Basack and Sarkar 2019). The use of as much natural energy as feasible could lead to a reduction in the amount of fuel needed by the structure. Lighting, ventilation and the operation of building systems all require additional energy input (Balali et.al 2020). The use of passive measures in energy consumption optimization has been touted as the most successful and cost-effective way for reducing energy resource manipulation through building demands, but it is highly reliant on both climate and building characteristics (Gong et al. 2019).

BIM allows to test analyze and improve a building's design over time, resulting in a more sustainable design, it is referred to as a Building Performance Analysis (BPA). The use of BIM electricity evaluation technology can help predict occupant thermal comfort and a building's overall electricity performance (Santos et.al 2017)(Gerrish et al. 2017). The building pure mathematics which include the layout and configuration of the area (surfaces and volumes), the orientation of the building components and the practical use of the building to be studied and analyzed are the statistics required for the building energy analysis. Lighting resident and equipment schedules, kind of HVAC system, utility pricing and climate data for the globe where the facility is located (Migilinskas et al. 2013), (Ji and AbouRizk 2018).

In this study, a building model is constructed that can be used to conduct a vitality evaluation, allowing users to envision and re-enact the construction process, look and cost. BIM allows for better more informed analysis resulting in increased financial and budgetary benefits for energy productivity projects.

SOFTWARE ANALYSIS

The purpose of energy analysis is to gather and provide data for decision-making at various stages of the construction, design and use of a building. The entire structure is considered with all of the weather systems operating together. An Autodesk Revit and an Autodesk Green Building Studio assist and examine the performance analysis.

REVIT

Revit is a full-featured building data modelling program that may be used at any point during the 3D modelling process. To build 3D models, the Autodesk Revit program use Walls, roofs, windows and floors are examples of building elements. Abstract massing capabilities are also available in Revit which use basic forms to represent building form and orientation earlier in the design process.

GREEN BUILDING STUDIO

GBS is a web-based simulation engine for assessing the energy efficiency of a building. It is used to fuel the BIM-based energy/sustainability model which runs on the DOE-2 simulation engine (Luziani and Paramita 2019). Revit Autodesk applications that provide complete building energy evaluation capabilities. DOE 2 is a GBS backend that works as a web application displaying the generated data in a legible format. It can evaluate any gbXML file making it compatible with any program which can produce gbXML files..

METHODOLOGY

Outlining the energy aim is the first step in energy simulation. The intended steps are:



Figure 1 Steps in analysis

CASE STUDY

The case study is based on an actual residential building project in Sikkim, India. Creating BIM models for analysis within Revit and exporting to GBS for further analysis was part of the process. Table 1 shows the summary of the project:

Project Description	Project Details
Building type	Residential Building
Schedule	24/7 facility
Project type	Existing building
Floor Area	803 m ²
No of Floors	G+3
Location	Gangtok sikkim
Climatic condition	Cold

Table 1 Details of the residential project

The 3D model of the building is shown in the Figure 2. The area tags have been allocated to the rooms generated with the Revit "Room" Tool. Rooms must be created to assist in the conversion of the file to the gbXML format select the type of building, project location, Rooms or Areas in the Building component (if an abstract energy mass model is being generated), Thermal Properties if applicable, then export the file to gbXML.



Figure 2 3D model of the building.

ROOF

The roof is an important part of any structure and its full collapse renders the structure. When a roofing system fails totally, it is commonly associated with hazards to nearby structures even to the residents living within causing pain. In this study, the roof was installed in Revit as a basic generic wall 12" with a base run analysis performed at the initial stage in GBS. The twenty-three different roof materials available in GBS have been chosen and the simulation options to be run. Table 2 contains information on twenty-three alternatives and their attributes and each roof is denoted by "A-W" as alternative roof.

Sl. No	Roof Alternatives
А	R60 wood frame roof
В	structural ins. Panel (SIP) Roof 10.25in (260 mm)
С	cool roof- R50 continuous ins. over deck
D	cool roof- R38 continuous ins. over deck
Е	structural ins. panel (SIP) Roof 8.25in (210 mm)
F	structural ins. panel (SIP) Roof 6.25in (165mm)
G	cool roof- R30 continuous ins. over deck
Н	cool roof- R20 continuous ins. over deck
Ι	cool roof- R15 continuous ins. over deck
J	cool roof- R11 continuous ins. over deck
K	continuous deck roof with super high insulation
L	continuous deck roof with high insulation
М	continuous deck roof with code compliant insulation
Ν	continuous deck roof without insulation
0	wood frame roof with super high insulation
Р	wood frame roof with high insulation
Q	wood frame roof with code compliant insulation
R	wood frame without insulation
S	metal frame roof with super high insulation
Т	metal frame with high insulation
U	metal frame without insulation
V	metal frame roof code compliant insulation
W	Metal frame with insulation

 Table 2 Roof alternatives and its properties.

ROOF INSULATION

Insulating a building is a smart financial and environmental decision. When insulation is implemented, buildings use less energy for heating, cooling and residents have less thermal variability (Toguyeni et al. 2012). The R-value of a substance is a measurement of its ability to withstand heat transfer from one side to the other. Insulation effectiveness is measured in R-values with a higher number signifying more effective insulation.

COMPARISON AND RESULTS

These are the outcomes of a cloud-based energy analysis using the GBS software.

ANNUAL ENERGY COST

The estimated annual utility cost for the entire project's energy and fuel consumption. As illustrated in the figure 3, the base run is taken as the initial project with the dimensions and data provided. the twenty three other material simulations are conducted A-W as mentioned in the above table. It is observed that when the roof is insulated the energy costs can be reduced.







PROPERTIES OF COMPONENTS

U-values are used to assess how well insulating elements of a building's fabric perform. The annual energy cost can be reduced by using the alternative material R60 wood frame roof, the properties of other components vary as well. Table 3 summarizes the properties of each element as well as their U-value.

Component	Properties	U-Value
Roofs	R60 Wood Frame Roof	0.08
Ceilings	Interior Drop Ceiling Tile	2.60
Exterior Walls	R15 Metal Frame Wall R13 Wood Frame	0.33
	Wall, Wood Shingle	0.46
Interior Walls	Uninsulated Interior Wall	2.35
Interior Floors	Wood Frame Carpeted Floor Interior Drop	1.16
	Ceiling Tile	2.60
Non sliding Doors	R2 Default Door (31 doors)	2.39

Table 3 Properties of Components and U-value

ENERGY USAGE

Energy efficiency refers to utilizing less energy to accomplish the same task or eliminating energy waste. In Figures 4 and 5, it is shown that adopting the R60 wood frame roof as an alternative will lower the building's electric and fuel use.



Figure 4 Comparison of Electric use



Figure 5 Comparison of Fuel use

ENERGY USE INTENSITY

The Energy Use Intensity (EUI) of a building is a measure of its energy efficiency. It is calculated by adding up the whole amount of power used by the building's complete gross floor area over the course of a year. Figure 6 shows that adopting R60 wood frame roofs reduces the building's energy use intensity derived by the cloud data computing GBS.



Figure 6 Comparison of Energy use Intensity

ANNUAL ENERGY USAGE

When alternative materials such as metal and wood were utilized to insulate, the annual energy cost was minimal. For the purposes of comparison, the R60 wood frame roof is chosen as the most energy-efficient roof option. Figure 7 shows a comparison of electric end usage and it can be shown that heating, ventilation and air conditioning can be lowered.



Figure 7 Annual Electric End use for a) base run and b) R60 wood frame roof

In a graphical format, additional breakdowns of expected energy use for annual fuel needs such as lighting, (heating, ventilation and air-conditioning) and space-heating are offered. Figure 8 shows a comparison of the base and alternate runs' annual fuel end usage.



Figure 8 Annual fuel end use for a) base run and b) R60 wood frame roof

CONCLUSION

- By providing clear information about building performance and investigating BIM-based building energy modeling, the current study contributed to more energy efficient buildings.
- Engineers and owners will be aided in selecting material specifications to reduce energy consumption by building modeling and research of the building's performance at the early stages of construction and pre-construction.

- When comparing the energy cost and carbon emission of a residential construction with the basic material, the decrease in energy and carbon in percentage is as indicated in figure 9.
 - a) Annual energy cost= 17.6%
 - b) Life cycle cost= 17.5%
 - c) Onsite Fuel = 50.7%
 - d) Large SUV Equivalent= 50%

1 Base Run	Design Alternative	
Energy, Carbon and Cost Summary	Estimated Energy & Cost Summary	
Annual Energy Cost 72,655	Annual Energy Cost 32,190	
Lifecycle Cost 336,167	Lifecycle Cost 229,834	
Annual CO ₂ Emissions	Annual CO ₂ Emissions	
Electric 0.0 Mg	Electric 0.0 Mg	
Onsite Fuel 32.1 Mg	Onsite Fuel 15.8 Mg	
Large SUV Equivalent 3.2 SUVs / Year	Large SUV Equivalent 1.6 SUVs / Year	

Figure 9 Comparison of the Energy, Carbon and Cost

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