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#### Sustainable E+ Steel-frame Industrial Halls : advanced design support and assessment

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- Background
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Tremendous amount of energy consumed by the industrial sector ... and "Industrial Halls" are not limited to **FACTORIES**, but also :

- WAREHOUSES,
- BIG-BOX RETAILERS (eg. Ikea, Praxis ...),
- and many SUPERMARKETS.







[source: LLNL, 2009]

### Less than 15% of the energy consumed by the industry is from **Renewable Sources**

High roof-to-floor ratio of typical industrial halls open up opportunities for

incorporating renewable energy technologies, such as PV ....



## What is Sustainability? — the many aspects

▶ green building rating system (eg. LEED certification ... or BREEAM)



LEED certification (distribution of points)



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#### **Operational Carbon Emission**



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# Life-cycle Carbon Analysis

total Life-cycle Carbon Emission concept: considers Carbon Emission during the

#### **Construction Phase + Operation Phase + Demolition Phase**





### What is a typical industrial halls?

quite evenly distributed and relatively low process load





### Industrial Halls ....

Chemical plants, metal foundries, paper making ...



— processes are located outside the building enclosures



### Industrial Halls ...







from manufacturing to retail, **Typical Hall** is a structure of:

- rectangular geometry, simple construction, with negligible amount of openings
- single floor of non-partitioned space (~ 4,000 m<sup>2</sup> on average)
- features such as daylighting, and PV could be readily deployed





# **Multidisciplinary Approach**





# **"Typical"** Energy Producing Industrial Halls ...



measures



### Aspects of the simulation models :

(based on the characteristics of industrial halls)

- Single Zone of non-partitioned space of uniformly distributed process load.
  Investigation of single zone verse multi-zone model
- Loose thermal comfort requirement wide temperature setpoint range from 18°C to 30°C, no specific requirement in temperature fluctuation. Comparison between unconditioned, loose thermal comfort, and comfort oriented halls
- Generalized scenarios industry dependent process load, discrete occupancy patterns.
  Future research : case specific scenario that involves varying occupancy pattern
- Quantitative Approach that investigates the performance due to varying the "quantity" rather than the "quality" of the element.







### **Real life issues :**



 Skylight ► many different cost-effective ways to implement skylight. For modelling purposes, just simple long strip of diffused double-glazing that could <u>distribute light evenly</u> on work surface. Only parameter is the <u>amount of skylight</u>.



### **Real life issues :**



- **Multi-domains** ► for daylighting > 15% of roof area; saving in energy for lighting is roughly canceled out by heat gain or heat loss through skylight
- ASHRAE Standard 90.1 (2007) Perscriptive Building Envelope Option: skylight area < 5% gross roof area.

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### **Real life technologies for heating/cooling**

#### ► Forced Ventilation for cooling

Transpired Solar Collectors (TSC) for heating

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![](_page_17_Figure_4.jpeg)

- modeled in TRNSYS based on empirical relationship (of Tata Steel's product):
- solar radiation (W/m<sup>2</sup>) on the surface
- flow rate (m<sup>3</sup>/s) in the air gap per m<sup>2</sup> of the surface
- color / reflectance of the surface
- · temperature of the heated air

![](_page_17_Picture_10.jpeg)

# Investigation is about the Quantity

## **Decision Support**

What shall be the optimal (?) amount of insulation?

How large the roof area shall be covered by skylight?

Which parameters are most influential?

# **Quick Screening Tool**

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### **Sensitivity Analysis :** most influential parameters

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![](_page_19_Picture_2.jpeg)

### **Parameters and Scenarios (finally):**

(that define configurations to be studied)

- Climates (mild Amsterdam; cold Shenyang, China; hot Chennai, India)
- ▶ **Process Energy** (5, 25, 50, 125, 300 W/m<sup>2</sup>)
- Occupancy (1, 2, 3 shifts)
- ▶ Insulation roof (1.5 to 4.5 R<sub>si</sub>, in 7 levels)
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### **Parameters and Scenarios :**

(that define configurations to be studied)

- Climates (mild Amsterdam; cold Shenyang China; hot Chennai, India)
   15 (3 climates x 5 processes) Scenarios
- ► Process Energy (5, 25, 50, 125, 300 W/m<sup>2</sup> + retail space
- Occupancy (1, 2, 3 shifts)
  + unconditioned space
- ► Insulation roof (1.5 to 4.5 R<sub>SI</sub>, in 7 levels)
- ▶ Insulation wall (1.5 to 4.5 R<sub>si</sub>, in 7 levels)
- Thermal mass roof (none or 200 mm of concrete) = 4704 configurations
- ► Thermal mass wall (none or 200 mm of concrete) per occupancy schedule
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   Penergy generation

#### energy generation investigated separately

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### **Comprehensive Design Space Evaluation**

thousands of simulations **> database** 

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### **Database of Energy Consumption :**

ID		Schedule	Ins. Roof (Ra)	Ins. Wall (Re)	Mass Roof (m	Mass Wall (m	Davlighting (% co	NTSC (% coverage)
	0	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	0	
	1	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	0	
	2	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	0	
	3	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	0	
	4	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	0	
	5	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	0	
	6	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	5	i /
	7	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	5	i de la constante de
	8	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	5	Lin (levels)
	9	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	5	3
	10	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	5	i l
	11	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	5	n 7 levels)
	12	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	10	
	13	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	10	Adofino Configurations
	14	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	10	P define <u>configurations</u>
	15	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	10	
	16	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	10	= <b>4/04</b> confidurations
	17	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	10	juite
	18	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	15	
	19	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	15	per occupancy schedule
	20	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	15	
	21	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	15	15% of root area, in 4 levels)
	22	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	15	i /
	23	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	15	5
	24	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.2	0	ector 0 to 100% of south wall in 6 levels)
	25	1	15	1.5	0.0	0.2	0	
	26	1			0.0	o.2	0	
	27	/	-		0.0		0	3
	~				2.9		0	

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### **Performance indicators :**

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### Database(s) :

#### **six** input parameters :

- Insulation roof (1.5 to 4.5 R<sub>si</sub>, in 7 levels)
- Insulation wall (1.5 to 4.5 R<sub>si</sub>, in 7 levels)
- Thermal mass roof (none or 200 mm of concrete)
- Thermal mass wall (none or 200 mm of concrete)
- Skylight area (0 to 15% of roof area, in 4 levels)
- TSC (transpired solar collector, 0 to 100% of south wall, in 6 levels)

Ins_Roof (R <sub>SI</sub> )	Ins_Wall (R <sub>SI</sub> )	Mass_Roof (m	Mass_Wall (m	Daylighting (% cov	TSC (% coverage)
1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	0	0
1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	0	20
1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	0	40
1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	0	60
1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	0	80
1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	0	100

#### ► three performance indicators :

- Energy Consumption
- Net CO<sub>2</sub> Emission
- Annualized Relative Cash Flow

		Annualized
Total Energy	Net CO <sub>2</sub>	Relative Cash
Consumption	Emission	Flow (wrt.
(kWh/m <sup>2</sup> -yr)	(kg CO <sub>2</sub> /m <sup>2</sup> -yr)	Baseline, €/m²)
32.3	12.1	0.86
31.4	12.6	-6.82
30.3	13.2	-14.49
29.7	13.8	-22.18
29.2	14.5	-29.87
29.0	15.2	-37.57
25.7	9.5	1.01
25.0	10.1	-6.68
24.1	10.7	-14.35

								Total Energy	Net CO <sub>2</sub>	Relative Cash				
								Consumption		Flow (wrt.	Expected Risk			
Schedu	le Ins_F	Roof (R <sub>SI</sub> )	ns_Wall (R <sub>SI</sub> )	Mass_Roof (m	Mass_Wall (m	Daylighting (% co	TSC (% coverage)	xWh/m <sup>2</sup> -yr)	(kg CO <sub>2</sub> /m <sup>2</sup> -yr)	Baseline, €/m²)	(€/m <sup>2</sup> ) Par	to_Solutions		
	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	0			12.1		-0.10 -		Economic and other assumptions	
	1	1.5	1.5		0.0	0	.0		12.6	-6.82	-0.09 -		Discount Rate (%)	4.59%
	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	0	10		13.2	-14.49	-0.09 -		Life Cycle of Building (yr)	50
	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	0	0		13.8		-0.08 -		Cost of Electricity (€/kWh)	0.118
	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	0	80		14.5	-29.87	-0.07 -		Cost of Gas (€/kWh)	0.040
	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	0	100	29.0	15.2		-0.06 -		CO2 Emission of Electricity Generation (kg CO2/kWh)	0.415
	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	5	0	25.7		1.01	-0.02 P+		CO2 Emission of Gas Consumption (kg CO2/kWh)	0.202
	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	5	20	25.0	10.1	-6.68	5.03 P			
	1	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	5	40	24.1	10.7	-14.35	-0.02 P		Material Costs (€)	

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### Webtool

 valorization : the database was turned into a webtool by Bouwen met Staal, and will be updated soon

![](_page_26_Figure_2.jpeg)

![](_page_26_Picture_3.jpeg)

### Vast amount of data – Data Analysis :

#### to observe Design Trends (examples shown — warehouse 5W/m<sup>2</sup> process)

- Data Analysis for each scenario (process load)
- Design Trend for each Design Parameter
- unit in per operating hour to facilitate comparison among schedules (also to facilitate business decision, e.g. hourly wages, hourly production rate)

![](_page_27_Figure_5.jpeg)

![](_page_27_Figure_6.jpeg)

![](_page_27_Picture_7.jpeg)

### **Cost Related Trends :**

#### multi-objective consideration

- ► Trends depend on performance indicators
- Per occupied hour rate capital investment (for energy saving measures) is more worthwhile if the facility is occupied for more shifts to spread out the cost

![](_page_28_Figure_4.jpeg)

![](_page_28_Picture_5.jpeg)

### **Material Choices:**

#### multi-objective consideration

design decision might have greater impact on one objective but not the others

▶ steel or concrete?

![](_page_29_Figure_4.jpeg)

![](_page_29_Picture_5.jpeg)

### **Configurations:**

#### put energy performance into perspective

- baseline building configuration is among the poorer performers under all schedules
- cooling is insignificant in a mild climate with a low process load (5 W/m<sup>2</sup>)

![](_page_30_Figure_4.jpeg)

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![](_page_30_Picture_5.jpeg)

1000

~0°

1500

full-time

90

80

90

80

3000

3500

4000

4500

2500

Configurations

2000

### **Configurations :**

#### put energy performance into perspective

- lighting is the heaviest consumer. Most energy saving is due to daylighting.
- as process load increases, cooling can be significant

![](_page_31_Figure_4.jpeg)

90

80

70

60

50

40

30

20

10

0

Heating
 Cooling

Lighting

Baseline

Ventilation

Energy Consumption (kWh/m<sup>2</sup>-yr)

![](_page_31_Picture_5.jpeg)

full-time

90

80

70

60

50

40

30

20

10

0

### Conclusions

- ► industrial halls high energy consumption, great energy production potential → requires a multidisciplinary and integrated design approach
- ► industrial halls in most cases simple geometry and construction → quick screening tool to offer performance advice (driven by database based on pre-executed comprehensive design space evaluation)
- Ife-cycle analysis and multi-objective considerations provide fairer assessment on performance

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### **THANK YOU**

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### Side Note on <u>Performance indicators</u> :

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![](_page_34_Picture_2.jpeg)

### **Total Energy Consumption :**

![](_page_35_Figure_1.jpeg)

fossil fuel offset based on site energy accounting

#### **Total Energy Consumption (kWh/m<sup>2</sup>-yr)**

![](_page_35_Picture_4.jpeg)

### **Net CO<sub>2</sub> Emission :**

![](_page_36_Figure_1.jpeg)

![](_page_36_Picture_2.jpeg)

![](_page_37_Figure_1.jpeg)

![](_page_37_Picture_2.jpeg)

r = discount rate

I = I/	$(1+r)^n - 1$
$I_A - I_A$	$r(1+r)^n$

- n = number of years of the life-cycle
- I = initial capital investment

# why Amortized Cost ? Amortized Relative Inwhymon Simply Payback Period and

- does not account for the financing cost
- cannot handle cases, which payback period > lifespan of the equipment itself. For example, PV installation.
  Performance beyond lifespan decreases significantly

not correct to compare different energy saving or generation measures of different lifespans that are shorter than that of the building. Multiple cycles of a measure?

![](_page_38_Picture_9.jpeg)

![](_page_39_Figure_1.jpeg)

r = discount rate

I = initial capital investment

![](_page_39_Picture_5.jpeg)

Annual Relative Energy Utility P cost of the **baseline** building (by definition. It can be<sup>prices</sup>) anything common to standard practice) is what has to be or expected to be paid. nnual Amortized Relative Annual Relative concern about the additional (relative) cost. Operating Cost

It can be <u>LOWER</u> than baseline building cost.

![](_page_39_Picture_8.jpeg)

### so what is the baseline building ?

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![](_page_41_Figure_1.jpeg)

![](_page_41_Picture_2.jpeg)

### Side Note on <u>Unconditioned Halls</u> :

#### design parameters

 considers multiple design parameters for different occupancy patterns

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![](_page_42_Figure_4.jpeg)

![](_page_42_Picture_5.jpeg)