Designing Energy Efficient Buildings with OpenBuildings Energy Simulator

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Agenda

- Introduction to OpenBuildings Designer
- Overview of OpenBuildings Energy Simulator
- Creating a WorkSpace, WorkSet, and Design Files
- Conceptual vs. Standard Project Workflows
- Creating a Baseline Report and Compare Reports









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OpenBuildings™ Energy Simulator CONNECT Edition

An energy forecasting application utilizing steady state calculations of building energy loads to design mechanical systems and hourly simulation tools to predict performance to inform design approach.

Energy Simulator Overview

- Delivered as standard as part of OpenBuildings Designer and uses the same license.
- Complete solution for designing energy efficient buildings.
- Workflows for both new and existing buildings.
- Conceptual through Detailed Design
- Used by: Mechanical Engineers, Building Services Engineers, Architects, Energy Assessors, Sustainability Engineers...



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Energy Simulator Capabilities

Steady State Calculations

- ✓ Heat Gain
- ✓ Heat Loss
- ✓ ASHRAE and CIBSE
- Peak Summertime temperatures

Building Material Analysis

- ✓ Huge catalogue of materials included
- ✓ Easily calculate U-values
- ✓ Condensation Analysis

Part L

- ✓ Fully approved for Part L 2021 & 2013
- ✓ Check Compliance & Submit EPC's
- ✓ Officially approved by CIBSE





Energy Simulator Capabilities

Dynamic Simulation

- ✓ EnergyPlus engine
- ✓ Overheating Analysis
- ✓ Occupant Comfort
- ✓ Energy and CO2

Simulate HVAC Performance

- ✓ Library of Standard Systems
- ✓ Create Custom HVAC



Daylight Simulation

- ✓ Radiance Simulation Engine
- ✓ Calculate daylight factors
- ✓ Visualize internal daylight and lux levels

✓ External Shading



Energy Simulator Capabilities

Complete Solution

- ✓ All calc's & simulations included in one license
- ✓ Conceptual designs to building compliance

Total Building Design

- ✓ OpenBuildings Designer included
- ✓ CAD
- ✓ BIM
- ✓ Duct sizing simple 2D schematic similar to Netsys, or directly in 3D model.

Support & Training

- ✓ All Training Courses free
- ✓ Hassle-free, online Part L Energy Assessor exam



Energy Simulator Benefits

Easy to use

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- ✓ Easy learning curve
- ✓ Simplicity quickly build model & run calc's

Flexibility & Interoperability

Several Methods of modelling

- ✓ Trace model in simple 2D
- ✓ Use dwg/dgn/dxf/PDF...
- ✓ Conceptual Modelling Workflows
- ✓ Import Hevacomp projects
- ✓ Import GBXML from other BIM Applications
- Import BIM directly from OpenBuildings Designer



Flexibility and Interoperability



Intuitive Visual Modeling

Import Analytical Space Models directly from

OpenBuildings Designer

Interoperability

- Trace model in 2D
- Import DWG / DXF / DGN / PDF
- Import gbXML
- Import legacy Hevacomp projects



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Launching the Application



Creating a WorkSpace, WorkSet, and Design Files



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Conceptual vs Standard Project Workflows

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Conceptual Project Workflows

- Conceptual mass created using Push-Pull solid geometry functions
- Globally change glazing % and shading options and rotate model (orientation)
- Globally change thermal properties (constructions and design parameters)
- Enhanced reporting allowing comparison of different modelling strategies
- Compare Energy requirements for different HVAC systems



Conceptual Energy Reports and Comparisons



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Standard Project Workflows

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Standard Project Workflows

- Trace 2D Plan DGN/DWG/DXF/PDF
- Import GBXML from other BIM Applications
- Import Hevacomp projects

Import directly from OpenBuildings Designer

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Adding Rooms

- Trace model in 2D
- Automatically define entire room geometry
- Rooms define surfaces that make up spaces within the building
- Can set default materials and constructions
- Surfaces automatically adjust as the model is built





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Embedded Surfaces

- Definition of Windows
- Definition of Doors
- Easy control over properties via project tree





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Copying Floors & Roof Modeling

- Speed up workflow by copying similar floors
- Change floor plans and adjust room geometry
- Modification of Room properties
- Modification of embedded surfaces
- Powerful roof modeling tools

















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Data Managers

- Zone Manager to organize rooms into groups for multiple purposes such as HVAC systems, lighting, etc.
- Materials Manager for access to database of building materials
- Easily calculate U-values and other thermal properties



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Materials Manager

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Steady State Calculations

- Heat Loss Calculations:
 - ASHRAE Heat Loss
 - CIBSE Heat Loss (Simple & Basic)
- ASHRAE RTS (Radiant Time Series)
- Heat Gain Calculations:
 - CIBSE Heat Gain
 - CIBSE Maxi Heat Gain
- Peak Summertime Temperatures







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Dynamic Simulations and HVAC

- Simulation: EnergyPlus Interface
- Temperature Frequency Simulation
- Plant Energy & CO₂ Simulation



Daylight Simulation

- Daylight Simulation using Radiance Engine
- Compute radiance values and generate reports
- Generate room views with lighting contours





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Analytical Space Model Explorer

<u>Analytical Space Model Explorer (bentley.com)</u>