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ABSTRACT

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1. INTRODUCTION

This report describes the initial release of HLITE, a computer program which simulates the thermal interaction of lighting and HVAC systems. This program was developed to extend the results of an experimental study in HVAC/lighting interaction being conducted at the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) (Treado and Bean, 1988). It will serve in the planning of future experimental test cases and in the development of algorithms that can be incorporated into larger building energy analysis programs. This interim report covers the first phase of the development of HLITE, namely the simulation of thermal processes in the NIST HVAC/lighting test facility.

Therefore, HLITE must accurately model the NIST test facility. HLITE was developed as a research tool rather than an engineering design tool. A primary goal of the program is simulation flexibility; that is, the ability to model a great variety of physical systems and operational strategies including many that were not anticipated during the development of the program. This includes the requirement of a simple fundamental program structure for the addition of new features. Another primary goal is that the simulation be accurate and sensitive to the parameters that the researcher wishes to study. These primary goals dictate that the program be based on fundamental physical principles rather than correlations to the experimental data. Program performance in terms of execution time and program size as well as ease of use are secondary goals.

HVAC/lighting interactions are described in terms of a thermal network. The thermal network is described by a data file which uses keywords and values. Keywords are capitalized in the following description. The primary components of the thermal network are NODEs which correspond to some volume of material which can be characterized by a single temperature, and LINKs which describe the heat transfer paths connecting various NODEs. Since many LINKs have identical thermal characteristics, these characteristics are described once as ELEMENTs, which are referenced by the LINKs. CONTROLS are handled separately; they convert NODE and LINK data such as temperatures and flows to SIGNALs which are processed by other CONTROLS to set values at other NODEs or LINKs.

The HLITE program interacts with data files and other programs as briefly described in figure 1. The user creates a description of the thermal network in a file called the Network Definition File (NDF). This is done with a text editor chosen by the user. Two other files are required to complete the specification of a simulation. The Boundary Values File (BVF) specifies the temperatures of certain nodes in the thermal network and sets the simulation start and stop times. The Discrete Events File (DEF) sets the values of certain signals which provides a flexible scheduling operation. Output is written to various report files defined by the user. Other programs shown in figure 1 will be developed with the next version of HLITE.

HLITE uses a simple finite volume approach to the simulation of transient heat transfer in a room. Nonlinearities in the radiation and convection heat transfer models are handled by linearization and the use of short time steps (on the order of 1 to 5 minutes). These short time steps make it possible to model many of the nodes using an explicit time integration, which is much simpler than an implicit time integration. Since a few nodes may require extremely short time steps for numerical stability, they normally use implicit time integration while the other nodes use the explicit method. Constant time steps are used. Several methods for enhancing the time integration are being tested. Given the scale of the problems to be simulated in this project, these methods should give sufficient performance.

The HLITE program has been developed to run on IBM PC AT compatible computers using the MS-DOS operating system. A math coprocessor is required. Installation of the program is described in the README file on the distribution diskette. It is assumed that the user is familiar with this operating environment. The program is written in the C computer language. This language has excellent facilities for handling simulation problems of different sizes through the use of linked structures and memory allocation.

Section 2 of this report reviews the basics of the numerical methods implemented in HLITE. Section 3 describes how the program is used to perform a simulation. It also summarizes the simulation capabilities of the initial release of HLITE. Section 4 describes some simulations run with the program to test its various features. Section 5 summarizes the features of HLITE and notes possible future developments.

Appendix A gives details of the input files. Appendices B and C give details of the analytic test cases and an experimental test case, respectively.

HLITE is an evolving program. Its capabilities and solution methods will be refined in response to further validation. New capabilities will be added as new needs are identified. The documentation will be revised to reflect those enhancements.

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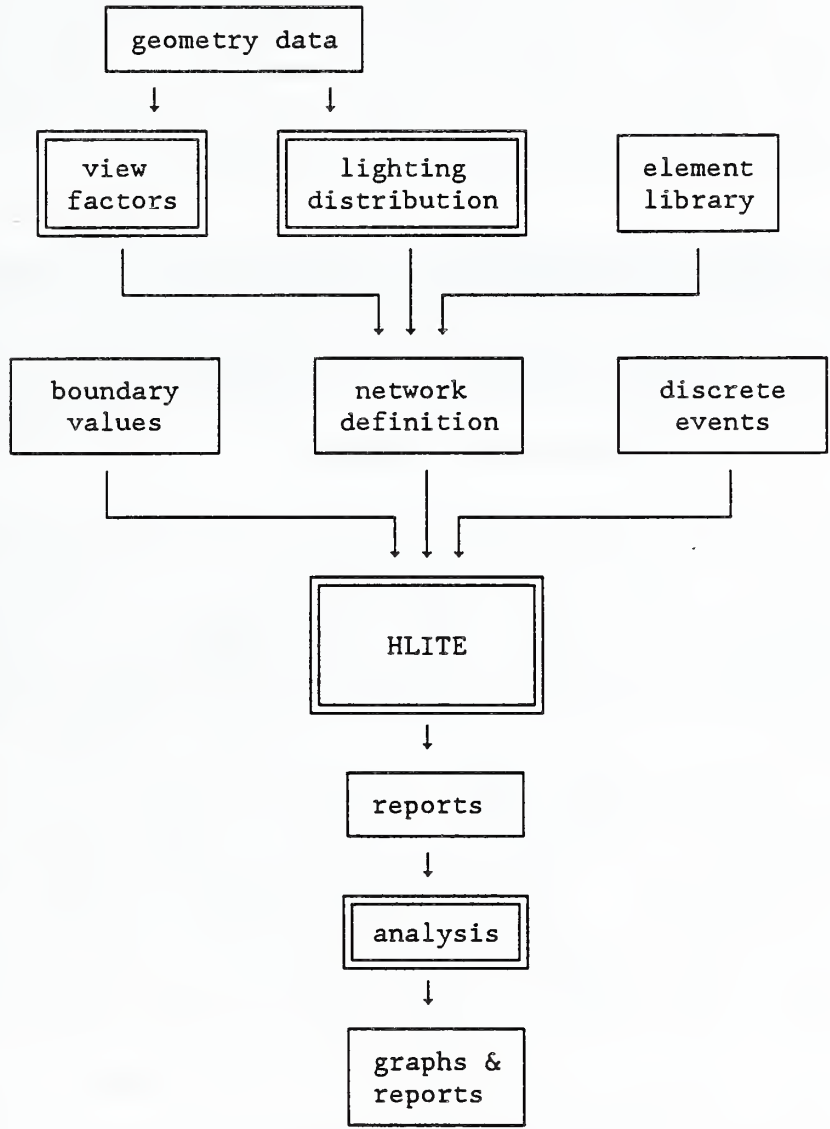


Figure 1. HVAC/Lighting Interaction Computer Model

Notes:

- The view factor and lighting distribution programs are not part of this effort.
- Analysis is done by a commercial program such as LOTUS 1-2-3.

2. NUMERICAL METHODS

2.1 Introductory Example

The development of HLITE centers around the capability to perform transient simulation. A one-dimensional heat conduction problem provides the simplest example to illustrate transient simulation methods. The following figure shows a portion of a one-dimensional conduction problem consisting of two material layers. Temperatures are computed at the boundaries of the layers because of (1) the importance of wall surface temperatures in a room and (2) the possibility of using a more exact finite element method for this analysis. This example will be described by physical instead of mathematical arguments following the description given by Clausing (1969, pp 157-213).

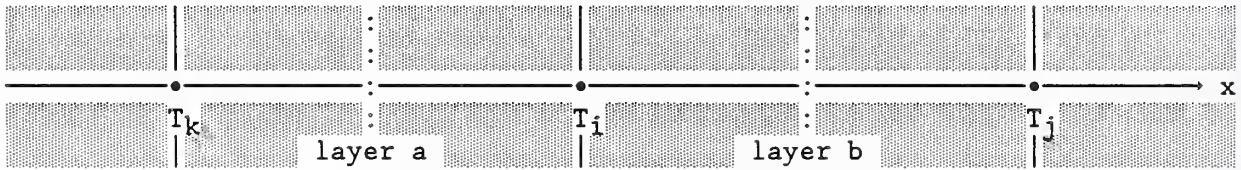


Figure 2. Configuration for one dimensional conduction

The thermal properties of layers a and b are: the thicknesses, L_a and L_b , the thermal conductivities, κ_a and κ_b , the densities, ρ_a and ρ_b , and the specific heats, c_a and c_b . Each layer has identical surface areas, A . Subscripts i and n refer to positions in space and time, respectively. In a lumped parameter representation, the temperature T_i can be considered to represent the temperature of a pseudo-layer extending from the midpoint of layer a to the midpoint of layer b. The internal energy of this pseudo-layer is given by:

$$U_i = \rho c V T_i = \frac{1}{2} (\rho_a c_a L_a + \rho_b c_b L_b) A T_i = C_i T_i \quad (1)$$

which defines the heat capacity, C , assigned to node i . Heat is transferred to and from point i by three paths: conduction from point k :

$$q_a = (T_k - T_i) \kappa_a A / L_a = K_a (T_k - T_i) \quad (2)$$

conduction from point j :

$$q_b = (T_j - T_i) \kappa_b A / L_b = K_b (T_j - T_i) \quad (3)$$

and internal heat generation or radiation absorbed within the layer:

$$q_i = q'' A \quad (4)$$

The change in internal energy of the pseudo-layer between time t_n and t_{n+1} is given by

$$\Delta U_{n \rightarrow n+1} = \Delta t (q_a + q_b + q_i) \quad (5)$$

The calculation of $T_{i,n+1}$ is explicit or implicit depending on when the heat gains are evaluated. Evaluating at time n gives:

$$C_i (T_{i,n+1} - T_{i,n}) = \Delta t (K_a (T_{k,n} - T_{i,n}) + K_b (T_{j,n} - T_{i,n}) + q_{i,n}) \quad (6)$$

which is the standard Euler explicit time integration formula. Explicit means that $T_{i,n+1}$ can be directly computed from values known at time n . On the other hand, evaluating at time $n+1$ gives:

$$C_i (T_{i,n+1} - T_{i,n}) = \Delta t (K_a (T_{k,n+1} - T_{i,n+1}) + K_b (T_{j,n+1} - T_{i,n+1}) + q_{i,n+1}) \quad (7)$$

which is Euler's standard implicit time integration formula. Implicit means that $T_{i,n+1}$ is computed from other values at time $n+1$. These values depend implicitly on each other and must be computed by a solution of simultaneous equations.

Clausing (1969, p 190) also gives a discussion of stability in terms of thermodynamic laws. Rearranging equation (6) to solve for $T_{i,n+1}$ gives

$$T_{i,n+1} = (K_a T_{k,n} + K_b T_{j,n} + q_{i,n}) \Delta t / C_i + (1 - (K_a + K_b) \Delta t / C_i) T_{i,n} \quad (8)$$

There is no solution if $C_i = 0$. If C_i is sufficiently small or Δt sufficiently large, then $(K_a + K_b) \Delta t / C_i > 1$, and as $T_{i,n}$ increases $T_{i,n+1}$ must decrease, and vice versa. This is thermodynamically impossible. It shows up in a numerical solution as oscillations, i.e. "instability", in the node temperatures at each time step. These oscillations tend to quickly increase to totally meaningless values. This suggests a simple technique to determine the minimum stable time step for any element in the system. In general, the smaller the thermal mass of the element, the smaller the time step for a stable explicit solution.

To get an idea of the magnitude of the time scale and size of the mass element for stability consider the case of a homogeneous material with uniform layers. Then $L_a = L_b = \Delta x$, $\kappa_a = \kappa_b = \kappa$, etc., and $\alpha = \kappa/\rho c$. The solution is stable if

$$\Delta x \geq \sqrt{2\alpha\Delta t} \quad (9)$$

The following values (English units) apply to typical building materials.

material	typical α ft ² /hr	$\Delta t = 3600s$	900s	300s	180s	60s
wood	0.0048	$\Delta x = 1.17"$	0.59"	0.34"	0.26"	0.15"
glass wool	0.011	1.78	0.89	0.51	0.40	0.23
brick	0.011-0.013	1.86	0.93	0.53	0.41	0.24
glass	0.013	1.93	0.96	0.56	0.43	0.25
concrete	0.019-0.027	2.79	1.39	0.80	0.62	0.36
marble	0.054	3.94	1.97	1.14	0.88	0.51

Rearranging the implicit equation (7) to solve for $T_{i,n+1}$ gives

$$(C_i + \Delta t K_a + \Delta t K_b) T_{i,n+1} = C_i T_{i,n} + \Delta t (K_a T_{k,n+1} + K_b T_{j,n+1} + q_{i,n+1}) \quad (10)$$

This equation shows none of the computational or thermodynamic problems of equation (8) indicating that the standard implicit method is stable for all time steps.

The spatial discretization error for the standard explicit and standard implicit methods is proportional to $(\Delta x)^2$. The time discretization error is proportional to Δt .

The standard explicit and standard implicit methods err in opposite directions. Therefore, a more accurate solution can be obtained by combining the two methods. Expressing this combination generally in terms of β gives:

$$\Delta U_{n \rightarrow n+1} = \Delta t \{ (1-\beta)(q_a + q_b + q_i)_n + \beta(q_a + q_b + q_i)_{n+1} \} \quad (11)$$

where: $0 \leq \beta \leq 1$,

- $\beta = 0$ corresponds to the standard explicit method,
- $\beta = 1/2$ corresponds to the Crank-Nicholson method,
- $\beta = 2/3$ corresponds to the Galerkin method, and
- $\beta = 1$ corresponds to the standard implicit method.

Equation (11) can be rearranged to

$$T_{i,n+1} = \left([C_i + (1-\beta)(K_a + K_b) \Delta t] T_{i,n} + (1-\beta)(K_a T_{k,n} + K_b T_{j,n} + q_{i,n}) \Delta t + \beta(K_a T_{k,n+1} + K_b T_{j,n+1} + q_{i,n+1}) \Delta t \right) / (C_i + \beta(K_a + K_b) \Delta t) \quad (12)$$

Note that there is no problem for $C_i = 0$. For $\beta \geq 1/2$ this method is unconditionally stable, although the solution may be oscillatory. For $\beta > 3/4$ (approximately) the solution is stable and non-oscillatory. For $\beta = 1/2$, the time discretization error is proportional to $(\Delta t)^2$.

2.2 Explicit or Implicit Time Integration

We may now consider the choice of time integration method. Following the discussion of Belytschko (1983, pp 55, 419, 445), the advantages of explicit time integration are:

- (1) Fewer calculations per time step.
- (2) Algorithm logic and structure are simple; this implies that it is good for testing new ideas.
- (3) Complex nonlinearities are easily handled.
- (4) It requires little core storage compared to implicit methods using direct elimination procedures.
- (5) It is very reliable in terms of accuracy and completing the computation.

The only notable disadvantage is that explicit time integration is only conditionally stable so that a very large number of time steps may be required.

With regard to accuracy, since implicit methods are unconditionally stable, they can easily be used with too large a time step leading to significant time integration errors. The stability requirements for explicit time integration force the time step to be so small that the time integration error is almost always smaller than the spatial discretization error. Of course, it is also possible to use a spatial discretization that is much too large.

Certain classes of problems require small time steps to achieve suitable accuracy. Long time steps are generally suitable for inertial problems, in which low frequencies dominate the response. Short time steps are required for problems with high frequency transients such as wave propagation problems, for example, simulation of airflow in ducts. Control actions also include high frequency transients.

Press, et.al. (1985) discuss several techniques for the solution of parabolic differential equations. Simple Euler methods are generally considered to be too inaccurate. More advanced methods include Runge-Kutta methods, the Bulirsch-Stoer method, and predictor-corrector methods. They report that the predictor-corrector methods are best for smooth functions. The prediction is explicit while the correction is implicit giving a combination of the characteristics of implicit and explicit methods. The Bulirsch-Stoer method is fully explicit and tends to be more accurate, but is only appropriate for smooth functions. The Runge-Kutta methods are best for non-smooth functions, especially when adaptive step sizes are used. HLITE uses a forward Euler solution, the simplest of all explicit methods, on the grounds that it is probably of sufficient accuracy at small time steps, especially when the uncertainty in knowledge of material properties and convection coefficients is considered. In addition, HLITE is not just solving differential equations; it is creating a finite difference model of a complex reality. It does not seem necessary to solve the finite difference equations to a greater accuracy than they are modeling the physical problem.

Another idea for simulating complex systems comes from work in coupled systems using mixed time integration schemes. The most promising of the mixed time integration schemes that have been described is an implicit-explicit partitioning of the system of equations (Liu & Lin, 1983). That is, the equations for quickly responding elements are integrated using short explicit time steps, and the entire system is integrated implicitly at a long time step. This is in agreement with the prior observation that explicit integration is most applicable to problems with rapidly changing conditions, while implicit integration is best for inertial problems. Some work has been done with combined explicit and implicit modeling for building thermal performance. Sebald (1979) used explicit calculations of the massive elements in passive solar buildings together with implicit calculations for the massless elements. This method was used to reduce the number of simultaneous equations to speed the solution. Relatively long 20-minute time steps were used. Note that this is exactly the opposite of the method used by Liu and Lin, which indicates more study on explicit/implicit methods could be appropriate.

2.3 HLITE Implementation

Two previous computer programs for evaluating the lighting/HVAC interaction (Ball & Green, 1983, and Treado & Bean, 1988) used primarily explicit time integration. This choice is consistent with Belytschko's observations, in that the proposed model needs to deal with control actions (short time steps) and nonlinearities (radiation) while execution time is a secondary concern for a research program. The general philosophy of the HLITE program is to use sufficiently small time steps that nonlinearities can be reasonably approximated in an explicit manner -- the problem is linearized at each time step, and the time steps are assumed short enough that iteration is not needed.

It is likely that the simulation will include a few nodes with very small stability limits, e.g. massless nodes are never stable during explicit time integration. Ball & Green report that one node in their model (plenum air mass) had so little mass that it had to be solved implicitly. HLITE therefore uses a combination of implicit and explicit methods to perform the transient simulation. This allows a variation of the length of the time step and the number of implicit nodes to give maximum program performance. The program determines which nodes should be treated implicitly and which explicitly.

HLITE Computation sequence for one time step:

- (1) Set boundary values (from Boundary Values File).
- (2) Set control signals (from Discrete Events File).
- (3) Process controls to set remaining control signals. (not implemented)
- (4) Compute air flows. (not implemented)
- (5) Process links to set temperature formula coefficients.
- (6) Process nodes to compute explicit temperatures, simultaneously create list of temperatures to be solved implicitly.
- (7) Compute implicit temperatures.
- (8) Prepare all nodes for next time step, simultaneously compute loads at controlled temperature nodes.
- (9) Write reports.

All controlled nodes operate at the minimum time step regardless of stability (to process control signals and compute loads).

- (1) Boundary value temperatures:

The BVF gives the temperatures of certain nodes as a function of time. Consider a single node which has temperatures $T_{i,n}$ and $T_{i,n+N}$, where difference in time is $N\Delta t$ and the difference in temperature is ΔT . Then

$$T_{i,n+1} = T_{i,n} + \Delta T/N; \quad T_{i,n+2} = T_{i,n+1} + \Delta T/N; \quad \text{etc.} \quad (13)$$

Algorithm: At time n , $T_{i,n}$ is set and $\Delta T/N$ is stored in the node data structure. At each time step T_i is incremented by $\Delta T/N$ until time $n+N$. Then $T_{i,n+N}$ is set (to eliminate accumulated round-off errors), the value for $T_{i,n+N+M}$ is read, and the process repeats. Note that the BVF need not use constant time increments, and that the times need not exactly match the time steps. Any mismatch is handled by linear interpolation. (This may be expanded to include flux boundary conditions.)

(2) The DEF gives the values of certain signals. Each line consists of a time, a signal name, and a value. The DEF is checked at each time step and if the current time is greater or equal to the time given on the DEF, the value of the signal is updated.

(3) Process controls: (not yet implemented)

The remaining signal values are processed as indicated by the control links. It is anticipated that the order of evaluation will be important.

(4) Compute air flows: (not implemented)

The airflow network could be solved for the airflows in each link as is done in AIRNET (Walton, 1989). The present method requires that the user specify the air flows.

(5) Calculation of heat fluxes and coefficients:

The heat flux from node j to node i due to conduction, convection, radiation, or air flow is given by

$$q_j = K_j (T_i - T_j) \quad (14)$$

where K_j is the appropriate linear coefficient. Heat gains internal to the node are called q_i . The q values are stored in the appropriate node data structures. The K_j are also stored if the node requires implicit computation.

(6) Calculation of explicit temperatures:

$$T_{i,n+1} = T_{i,n} + dT/dt$$

where

$$dT/dt = \Delta t (\sum q_{j,n} + q_{i,n}) / C_i \quad (15)$$

The heat gains to node i were computed and summed during link processing. In the multiple time step mode, it is not necessary to recompute dT/dt at every time step.

(7) Calculation of implicit temperatures:

$$T_{i,n+1} = (C_i \cdot T_{i,n} + [(1-\beta)(\sum q_{j,n} + q_{i,n}) + \beta(\sum K_j \cdot T_{j,n+1} + q_{i,n+1})] \Delta t) / (C_i + \beta(\sum K_j) \Delta t) \quad (16)$$

Note that this step uses heat gains and K_j coefficients which were computed and summed during link processing as for the explicit method, step (5). Therefore, the method is not truly implicit, but relies on the relatively small changes of node temperatures at each time step to give reasonably accurate results. The solution for all temperatures at time $n+1$ can be expressed in matrix form as

$$[A](T) = (B) \quad (17)$$

where $[A]$ is a square matrix, and (T) and (B) are vectors. The solution of the simultaneous equations is done by a sparse matrix technique which is

optimal for a matrix structure in which most of the temperatures are already known from the explicit solutions. The following figure shows the structure of [A] for a case involving 42 equations for 23 explicit nodes and 19 implicit nodes.

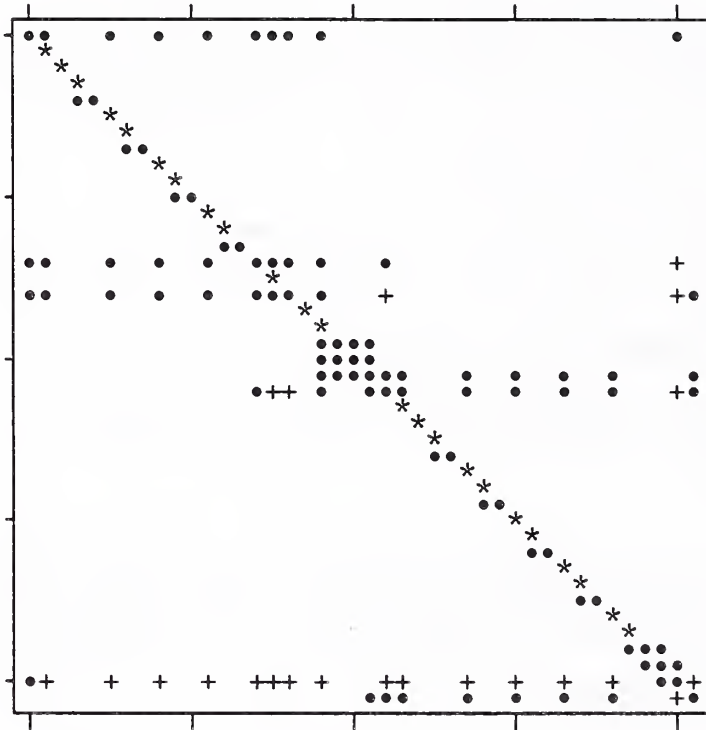


Figure 3. Structure of the [A] matrix

In this figure blanks represent coefficients which must be zero,
 * represents coefficients on the diagonal which must be 1,
 • represents other coefficients which must be non-zero, and
 + represents coefficients which are initially zero, but which can become non-zero during solution of the equations.

These equations are diagonally dominant, which implies that pivoting is not necessary in their solution. This allowed the development of a simple sparse matrix solution using a row-wise solution. The sparse solution involves only the • and + elements of [A] for a considerable savings of memory and execution time compared to a full matrix solution. As the time step is shortened, formerly implicit nodes become explicit causing the matrix to become even more sparse and quick to solve.

(8) Heating and cooling loads:

A heating (cooling) load is defined as the rate at which heat must be added to (removed from) a node to cause the temperature to go from $T_{i,n}$ to $T_{i,n+1}$. This heat, Q , is in addition to the naturally occurring heat flows.

$$C_i (T_{i,n+1} - T_{i,n}) = (\sum q_j + q_i + Q) \Delta t \quad (18)$$

If $T_{i,n+1} = T_{i,n}$, then $Q = - (\sum q_j + q_i)$. Since positive q_j are heat flows into the node, a positive Q is a heating load and negative Q is a cooling load.

The q_j and q_i may be computed with the explicit or the implicit formula as appropriate for the given node.

Deadband operation requires special processing. Passing from the deadband into a controlled temperature causes the temperature to be reset to the control point and a load computed appropriate to that reset. If the time step begins with the temperature set at a control point and a "negative" load is then computed, the node temperature is revised into the deadband by the amount of that load.

(9) Write reports:

At each time step the variables which are to be integrated, as defined by the user, are processed. If the time step matches the reporting time step, the designated values are written to files or the terminal.

2.4 Possible Extensions

The need to develop a more flexible method for mathematical modeling of physical systems has long been recognized. It is presently the subject of considerable research using new languages and modeling tools. Lewis and Alexander (1990) believe that many of the features of such a system could be achieved using current methods. Their approach is to extend the assumptions of the explicit finite difference approximation to the full range of thermal processes in a building. They have implemented their ideas in a program called HTB2 which models heat transfer through the building structure, control actions, and HVAC equipment.

HLITE and HTB2 were developed independently, but they share the fundamental idea of explicit time integration. Both programs take advantage of the simplification that can occur using explicit methods with only the penalty of short time steps for stability. However, Lewis and Alexander claim that "information on the behavior of the building at high temporal resolution can be obtained without any increase in computation time". This claim will be tested in section 4.3.

3. SIMULATION FEATURES

Execution of HLITE is controlled interactively. The descriptions of the physical system being simulated and computed results are stored in ASCII files.

3.1 Data Files

HVAC/lighting interactions are described in terms of a thermal network. The primary components of the thermal network are NODEs which correspond to some volume element of material which can be characterized by a single temperature, and LINKs which describe the heat transfer paths connecting various NODEs. Since many links have identical thermal characteristics, these characteristics are described once as ELEMENTs, which are referenced by the LINKs. CONTROLS are handled separately; they convert NODE and LINK data such as temperatures and air flows to SIGNALs which are processed by other CONTROLS to set values at other NODEs or LINKs.

The user creates a description of the thermal network in a file called the Network Definition File (NDF) with a text editor. Two other files are required to complete the specification of a simulation. The Boundary Values File (BVF) specifies the temperatures of certain nodes in the thermal network and sets the simulation start and stop times. The Discrete Events File (DEF) sets the values of certain signals which provides a flexible scheduling operation. Output is written to various user defined report files. These files are described in detail in Appendix A.

Simulation models are provided for the following building/lighting/HVAC features:

- transient one-dimensional conduction in multi-layered walls - each layer being homogeneous with constant thermal properties.
- air in a homogeneous zone; movement of air between zones.
- convection between surfaces and air according to simple or very complex and non-linear formulae.
- radiant interchange between diffuse gray surfaces.
- fluorescent luminaires including temperature dependent lighting and power qualities.
- "generic" equipment to simulate miscellaneous heat gains.
- "generic" mass elements and conductive links to represent additional features.
- fixed set point and dead band control of air temperature.

These models are described in Appendix A. Their use is described in more detail in the test cases provided in Appendix B. These simple features can be combined to describe very complex situations.

3.2 Interactive Execution

The user controls the execution of HLITE interactively through the following sequence of events.

- (1) Begin execution of HLITE with the appropriate NDF, BVF, and DEF data files plus HLITE.EXE in the default directory. Enter HLITE.

(2) After displaying a brief program description and disclaimer, HLITE asks for the names of the data files. The first question is

> I/O in project files? (y/n)

Enter y (for "yes") if the three input data files have the same name except for .ndf, .bvf, and .def extensions. This will create an output file using .out as an extension.

Enter n (for "no") if you want to enter the names of the files individually. HLITE will then request each file name.

(3) HLITE then displays "run control data" which the user may modify by entering n in response to the question

> Are these values correct? (y/n)

The user may then enter data for each of the run control parameters:

> Enter input units: 0 = metric, 1 = English
> [min = 0, max = 1, def = 1]

This form of question requires entering an appropriate number between the minimum and maximum values. When a default value is indicated, pressing the ENTER key is equivalent to entering the number. All values in the input files must be consistent with the metric or English units listed in Table 1.

> Enter output units: 0 = metric, 1 = English
> [min = 0, max = 1, def = 1]

The units of values in all output files are determined by this parameter. Note that HLITE uses SI units in its internal calculations.

> Enter implicit integration parameter (beta)
> [min = 0.5, max = 1, def = 1]

This refers to the value of β in equation 11.

> Enter 0 for steady-state, 1 for transient simulation
> [min = 0, max = 1, def = 1]

Although HLITE normally does transient simulation, this parameter will cause it to do a steady-state simulation using the initial values of boundary node temperatures and signal settings.

> Enter 2 to report temperature limits, 1 to test, otherwise 0
> [min = 0, max = 2, def = 1]

It is important to insure that the temperatures achieved have not exceeded the temperatures specified in the NDF for the stability calculations. Once this is known, it may be desirable to eliminate this test (set the parameter to 0) to save execution time.

> Enter 1 for LOTUS delimiters in reports
> [min = 0, max = 1, def = 0]

This feature adds quote marks around the times and commas after each value in the report files for easier transfer to the LOTUS program.

These parameters may be modified in future versions of HLITE.

(4) Before reading the NDF, the user may request that it be echoed to the terminal and the output file as it is processed by a positive response to

> Echo NDF? (y/n)

HLITE will display error messages as the NDF is being processed. Echoing is useful to determine the location of those errors. If there are errors in the NDF, HLITE terminates.

(5) The next step in processing is to determine the stability limits for each node and to set up the pointers and matrix for the implicit equations. The user can review the stability limits by a positive response to

> List stability processing? (y/n)

The output file will contain stability information for each node. Of particular importance in the checking of the NDF is the list of all links connecting each node to other nodes. This may help to identify missing or misplaced links.

(6) It is sometimes desirable to find the solution to a schedule that is repeated every 24 hours. The following question permits running the same schedule until successive days are identical.

> Transient initialization? (y/n)

No reports are written during this transient initialization.

(7) HLITE is now ready to perform its transient simulation. Simulation can be aborted by a negative response to the following question.

> Continue simulation? (y/n)

Otherwise, simulation continues as determined by the BVF.

4. PROGRAM TESTING

Testing is an essential part of the development of a computer simulation. Inaccurate results are not always due to program errors as shown in the SERI report on validation of building energy analysis programs (Judkoff, 1983) which identified seven error sources classified into two groups. External sources are those which are not under the control of the developer of the computer code. These errors include:

- (1) differences between the actual weather around the building and the weather used in the simulation;
- (2) differences between the actual effect of occupant behavior and those effects assumed by the user;
- (3) user error, including inappropriate simplifying assumptions, in deriving the input files; and
- (4) differences between the actual thermal and physical properties of the building and those input by the user.

Internal error sources are those contained within the coding of the program. They include:

- (1) differences between the actual heat/mass transfer mechanisms and the algorithmic representations of those mechanisms;
- (2) differences between the actual interactions of heat/mass transfer mechanisms and those interactions between the algorithms; and
- (3) coding errors.

Three types of tests have been used to validate building energy analysis programs. These tests involve comparison to other simulation programs, comparison to analytically calculated results, and comparison to experimental data. The following table from the SERI validation report summarizes the advantages and disadvantages of each method.

VALIDATION TECHNIQUES

Technique	Advantages	Disadvantages
Comparative Relative test of different programs	No input uncertainty Any level of complexity Inexpensive Many comparisons possible	No truth standard
Analytical Test of numerical solution	No input uncertainty Exact truth standard given the simplicity of the model Inexpensive	Does not test the model Limited to cases for which analytical solutions can be derived
Empirical Comparison to measured building performance	Approximate truth standard within accuracy of data acquisition Any level of complexity	Measurement involves some input uncertainty High quality, detailed measurements are time consuming & expensive

The analytic validation tests are best for detecting coding errors. The empirical validation tests are necessary to insure that the actual (as opposed to the anticipated) physical processes are modeled correctly.

4.1 Analytic Tests

A series of simple analytical tests have been developed to insure that HLITE is performing as expected. They are described in detail in Appendix B. The tests are sequenced so that the most basic algorithms are tested first. Later tests of other algorithms often rely on the basic algorithms. The input files for these tests are included on the HLITE distribution diskette to provide the user simple cases that can run directly to gain familiarity with the program, and to maintain the set of test cases which must be run when the program is modified to insure that its current capabilities have not been altered.

TEST1A through TEST1D check the explicit and implicit calculation of heat conduction as well as the processing of the BVF and DEF and the calculation of loads for controlled temperature nodes.

TEST2A through TEST2D check the calculation of transient heat conduction including the use of multiple time steps.

TEST3A and TEST3B check the calculation of loads for air nodes for fixed temperature and dead band control.

TEST4A and TEST4B check the simulation of radiant heat transfer between surfaces.

TEST5A through TEST5C check the various convection algorithms.

TEST6A through TEST6D check the equipment algorithms: the modeling of fluorescent luminaires and the impact of time step on the modeling of small mass, high energy components.

TEST7A and TEST7B check the air flow link calculations.

4.2 Experimental Tests

The experimental results used to test the HLITE program are generated by the NIST test facility as described by Treado and Bean (1988). This test facility is constructed on a large concrete slab within the NIST environmental chamber. The facility is divided into two sections, a large insulated shell enclosing the test room area, and a smaller attached control room for housing instrumentation as shown in figure 4. The overall height is 20 ft. 10 1/2 in. The test room floor slab is elevated to accommodate a lower plenum beneath the floor, and all other room surfaces are adjacent to temperature-controlled guard air spaces. Duplicate lighting and HVAC systems are installed in both the test room plenum and the lower plenum. The test room floor and ceiling slabs are 2 1/2 inch thick concrete built on steel decks supported by a structural steel framework. The walls are constructed of 5/8 inch thick gypsum board fastened to steel studs.

Lighting/HVAC Test Facility

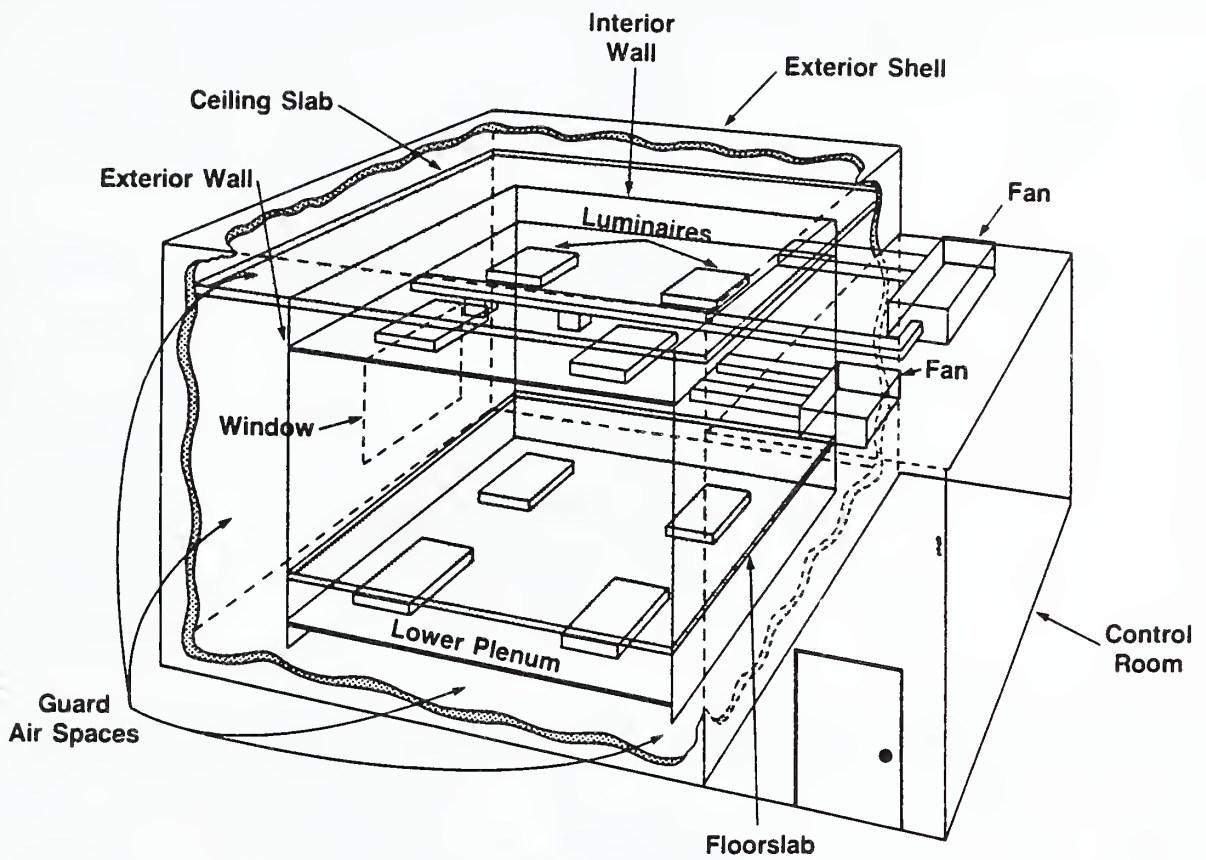


Figure 4. Cut-away Schematic View of Test Facility

The HLITE model is included in Appendix C. Initial results of the modeling are shown in figure 5 which compares the measured and computed transient cooling loads and shows reasonably good agreement between the two. Considerably more data is available than was used in generating this initial comparison. These data, generated over a broad range of operating conditions and lighting configurations, will be used to define a set of modeling parameters which simulate the test room under all those conditions. The results of these comparisons will be reported at a later date.

4.3 Execution Time Tests

Although execution time is a secondary priority in the development of HLITE, some very promising results have been obtained. The impact of various time steps on the explicit/implicit and multistep simulation methods was determined for the 42 node model of the NIST test room. Execution times, in seconds, are for a 25 hour simulation on an IBM PC AT compatible computer.

single time step (s)	number implicit nodes	execution time (s)	multiple time steps (s)	execution time (s)	execution time with reports (s)
1800	42	20.38	1800	20.38	22.09
720	41	46.43	720	46.43	51.92
360	29	48.96	360 720	48.96	-
240	19	43.90	240 720	43.96	49.45
120	5	56.54	120 240 720	54.84	60.66
60	2	93.24	60 120 240 720	73.74	79.51
30	1	171.98	30 60 120 240 720	102.53	108.90

These results show that the execution time increases linearly for time steps of 1800 and 720 seconds when there is a single Euler backward solution for almost all the nodes at each time step. Execution time remains nearly constant for time steps between 720 and 120 seconds. The cost of the increasing number of time steps is compensated by the simplicity of explicit simulation for a greater number of nodes. At shorter times steps (60 and 30 seconds) fewer implicit nodes become explicit so execution times again increase almost linearly. The use of multiple time step is helpful in this range. These results depend on the distribution of critical time steps for the nodes. In this case most nodes have critical time steps between 150 and 400 seconds.

The program uses a direct solution of the implicit equations which has been optimized for the sparsity pattern that occurs when there are only a few implicit nodes among many explicit ones. Reports are a relatively significant execution cost, so they were not generated during these tests because they tend to obscure the computation trends.

TEST ITB / SIMULATION COMPARISON

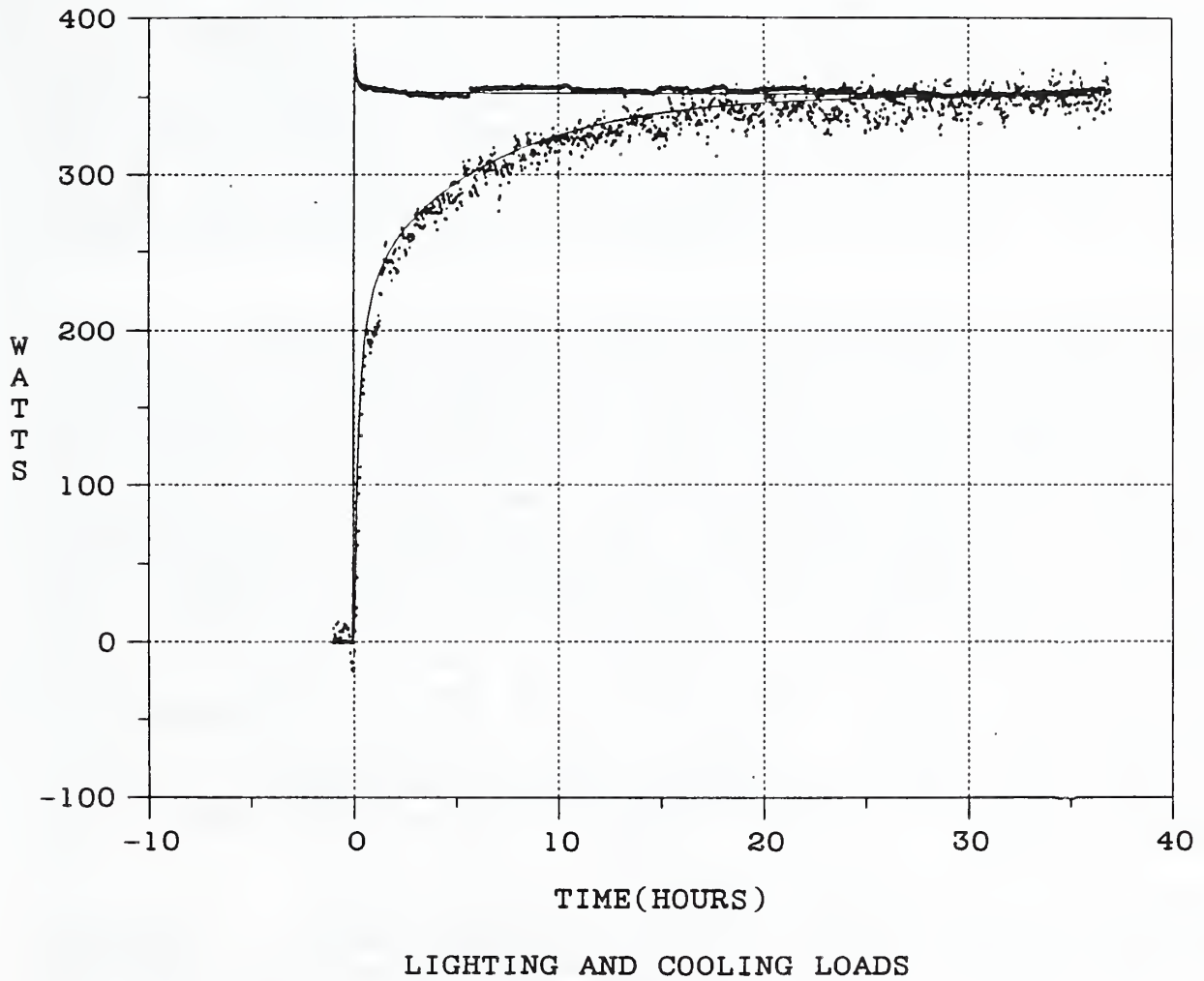


Figure 5. Comparison of Measured and Simulated Cooling Loads

4.4 Planned Tests

In the future, the results of HLITE simulations will be compared against the extensive test data generated by the NIST lighting test facility. These tests may indicate additional features to be added to the program. Certainly, the dynamic control features will be added. Some interesting comparisons to the control actions of the test facility may be possible.

5. CONCLUSIONS

This report has described the initial release of the HLITE program, which simulates the thermal interaction of lighting and HVAC systems. HLITE was developed as a research tool to be used by researchers. Therefore, a primary goal of the program is simulation flexibility, i.e., the ability to model a great variety of physical systems and operational strategies including many that were not anticipated during the development of the program. This includes the requirement of a simple fundamental program structure for the addition of new features. Another primary goal is to provide adequate accuracy and sensitivity to the parameters that the researcher wishes to study.

The choice of the numerical methods used in the HLITE program is based on several factors. The handling of nonlinearities is considered critical. It is believed that control actions will produce the most important and difficult nonlinearities. One method to handle control actions within a long time step model is to note when an action occurs, or should have occurred, and adjust time steps and recompute values accordingly. An alternate method is to use a time step that is so short that the error in the timing of the control action is negligible. A sufficiently short time step combined with a finite volume method can be solved by an explicit time integration scheme. Explicit methods are much simpler and faster for a single time step than implicit methods. The finite volume method provides a simple theoretical basis for defining thermal network components. Explicit methods are especially good at handling nonlinearities. Implicit methods require some form of iteration in solving the simultaneous equations. Iterative methods can encounter difficulties in modeling control actions. The danger of explicit methods is that too long a time step may be used. Some tests have indicated a relationship between the stability limit and the level of accuracy of the model for simple thermal conduction systems.

A forward Euler solution, the simplest of all explicit methods, is probably of sufficient accuracy at small time steps, especially when the uncertainty in knowledge of material properties and convection coefficients is considered. The cyclic nature of building operations tends to cancel the round-off errors over a long time. It is necessary to include the option of implicit integration for some nodes, e.g. massless nodes are unstable at all time steps. This leads to mixed explicit/implicit modeling. Actually, the method is only partially implicit; it uses coefficients computed at the start of the time step, and is therefore subject to error due to nonlinearities. Consider the existence of implicit nodes as a warning signal. This technique does need further testing, but good results have been obtained in the cases examined. The choice of explicit or implicit time integration for each node is based on

a simple (approximate) stability test. Different choices for a minimum time step leads to different proportions of implicit and explicit nodes. This makes it possible to trade off the length of the time step with the number of nodes that are solved implicitly or explicitly.

Although program performance in terms of execution time and program size was a secondary goal, very good results were achieved in those areas. The HLITE executable file is about 80,000 bytes long. It can handle a problem of any complexity up to the limits of available memory because storage for all simulation data is handled by memory allocation. In the NIST test room simulation the execution time was approximately constant for time steps from 12 to 2 minutes. This behavior should be very useful in the more detailed modeling of the HVAC system and its controls.

It is planned to compare the results of HLITE simulations against the extensive test data generated by the NIST lighting test facility. The functions to model control actions and necessary HVAC equipment will be added to HLITE. Other plans include upgrading the computer program for evaluating view factors (Walton, 1986) for a PC environment. A computer program to evaluate the distribution of light from a luminaire will be developed. These programs will complete the group of programs necessary to evaluate the lighting / HVAC interaction as originally presented in figure 1.

Although control actions and HVAC equipment have not yet been implemented in HLITE, the experience of the HTB2 program (Lewis and Alexander, 1990) indicates that it may be possible to implement these critical features without a great cost in terms of execution time performance. In fact, the use of simple explicit methods may match very well with the coming generation of multi-processor computers and an apparent trend in using very simple computational methods adaptable to multi-processors (e.g. Monte Carlo ray tracing methods for view factors and lattice gasses for fluid dynamics) instead of traditional methods with very complicated mathematics. The simple explicit methods used in these two programs could provide a general approach to modeling building systems. Such issues should be explored.

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Table 1. Units used in the HLITE program

symbol	description	internal	external metric	external English
t	time or	s	s	s
Δt	time difference			
	simulation time	s	day/hh:mm:ss 000/00:00:00 through 999/23:59:59	
T	temperature	$^{\circ}\text{C}$	$^{\circ}\text{C}$	$^{\circ}\text{F}$
\underline{T}	absolute temp.	$^{\circ}\text{K}$ (= $^{\circ}\text{C} + 273.15$)		-
L	length or thickness	m	m	ft
A	area	m^2	m^2	ft^2
V	volume	m^3	m^3	ft^3
	mass	kg	kg	lb (mass)
ρ	density	kg/m^3	kg/m^3	lb/ft^3
F	air flow rate (referenced to standard air)	kg/s	L/s $\rho = 1.2 \text{ kg}/\text{m}^3$	ft^3/min (cfm) $\rho = 0.075 \text{ lb}/\text{ft}^3$
Q	power	W	W	Btu/h
	electric power	W	W	W
E	energy	J	kJ	Btu
	electric energy	J	Wh	Wh
κ	thermal conductivity	$\text{W}/(\text{m}\cdot\text{K})$	$\text{W}/(\text{m}\cdot\text{K})$	$\text{Btu}/(\text{h}\cdot\text{ft}\cdot^{\circ}\text{F})$ [note that the English values are 1/12 of those for $\text{Btu}\cdot\text{in}/(\text{h}\cdot\text{ft}^2\cdot^{\circ}\text{F})$]
h	convection coefficient	$\text{W}/(\text{m}^2\cdot\text{K})$	$\text{W}/(\text{m}^2\cdot\text{K})$	$\text{Btu}/(\text{h}\cdot\text{ft}^2\cdot^{\circ}\text{F})$
c	specific heat	$\text{J}/(\text{kg}\cdot\text{K})$	$\text{kJ}/(\text{kg}\cdot\text{K})$	$\text{Btu}/(\text{lb}\cdot^{\circ}\text{F})$
K	overall conductance	W/K	W/K	$\text{Btu}/(\text{h}\cdot^{\circ}\text{F})$
C	overall heat capacity	J/K	kJ/K	$\text{Btu}/^{\circ}\text{F}$

APPENDIX A: HLITE Data Files

Network Definition File (NDF)

The primary components of the thermal network are NODEs which correspond to some volume of material with a certain temperature, and LINKs which describe the heat transfer paths connecting various NODEs. Since many links have identical thermal characteristics, these characteristics are described once as ELEMENTs, which are referenced by the LINKs. CONTROLS are handled separately; they convert NODE and LINK data such as temperatures and flows to SIGNALs which are processed by other CONTROLS to set values at other NODEs or LINKs.

Almost every item in the NDF is given a name by the user. Names may be up to 19 characters long. They may contain no blanks (use -, _, or selective capitalization instead), and the name "report" is reserved. Names are used instead of numbers to simplify modifying the network and add an element of self-documentation. Choose names to help to document the network. When an input item refers to another named input item, that item must have previously been defined. Because of the possible cross references, it may be safest to define all SIGNALs, all NODEs, all ELEMENTs, all LINKs, and all CONTROLS, in that order. On the other hand, the NDF may be more understandable if physically related items are grouped together. There is some redundancy in the input data which is used to help check for errors.

underline indicates required spelling.

[] indicates an optional parameter.

(metric units | English units).

/ in column 1 indicates that the rest of the line is a comment.

* in column 1 indicates the end of the file.

Individual data elements (words) are separated by one or more blanks.

Data past the last required entry on a line is treated as a comment.

Data lines should not be more than 80 characters long.

The first non-comment line in the file must be the TITLE line. The data on this line is echoed as a title in the output report.

SIGNALS:

<u>signal</u>	name	type	value
	name	name of signal point.	
	type	<u>d</u> = dimensionless, <u>t</u> = temperature (C F), <u>f</u> = mass flow (standard L/s standard ft ³ /min (cfm)).	
	value	initial value.	

Signal values can be set by data on the Discrete Events File (DEF) or by the operation of control elements. Signal values remain at their initial value until reset by the DEF. Values which are not reset remain at the initial value for the entire simulation.

No control elements have been implemented in this initial version of HLITE.

NODES:

Each node description contains eight identical types of data plus other data specific to the individual type of node. The first word on a node data line is node. The second word is a user specified identifier which is unique for each node. The third word is one of the following node types:

air srf lyr eqp mas

The fourth word is a single character which tells how the node temperature is determined:

b indicates a temperature from the boundary values file,

c indicates a controlled temperature, and

v indicates a variable temperature.

The fifth word is the fraction of the stability limit, fsl. If the actual time step exceeds fsl times the maximum stable time step, then the implicit solution method is used.

The sixth and seventh words are the expected minimum and maximum node temperatures. These values are used to determine the maximum stable time step for the node.

The eighth word is the initial temperature of the node.

N.1 air node:

node name air type fsl Tmin Tmax Ti vol [smin smax]

type temperature type: b, c, or y.
fsl fraction of stability limit
Tmin minimum expected temperature (C | F).
Tmax maximum expected temperature (C | F).
Ti initial temperature (C | F).
vol volume (m³ | ft³).
smin if type=c, name of signal for minimum temperature, type t.
smax if type=c, name of signal for maximum temperature, type t.

The air density and specific heat used to determine the heat capacity of the air node are set at standard default values. Together with the volume, they determine the haet capacity of the air. (A future extension would be to consider humidity and use psychrometric functions to determine air mass and heat capacity.)

The smin and smax signals allow the definition of a deadband with floating temperature between set points, or a set temperature if the set point values are equal. The set point values are guaranteed to be equal if smin and smax refer to the same signal point.

The following values can be reported for air nodes:

- T temperature - instantaneous, averaged.
- Q load - instantaneous, integrated, or averaged (for controlled node).

N.2 surface node:

node name srf type fsl Tmin Tmax Ti area emit [sig]

type temperature type: b, c, or v.
fsl fraction of stability limit
Tmin minimum expected temperature (C | F).
Tmax maximum expected temperature (C | F).
Ti initial temperature (C | F).
area surface area (m² | ft²).
emit emittance.
sig if type=c, name of signal setting the temperature, type t.

The heat capacity of a surface node is determined by the material element which is linked to the node.

The surface area is used in determining the conductive and convective heat transfer to adjoining nodes.

The emittance may be used in determining radiant heat transfer to other surface nodes.

The following values can be reported for surface nodes:

T temperature - instantaneous, averaged.
Q load - instantaneous, integrated, or averaged (for controlled node).

N.3 layer (actually inter-layer) node:

node name lyr type fsl Tmin Tmax Ti area [sig]

type temperature type: b, c, or v.

type temperature type -- a single character:

b = temperature from boundary values file,

c = controlled temperature, or

v = variable temperature.

fsl fraction of stability limit

Tmin minimum expected temperature (C | F).

Tmax maximum expected temperature (C | F).

Ti initial temperature (C | F).

area surface area (m² | ft²).

sig if type=c, name of signal setting the temperature, type t.

The following values can be reported for layer nodes:

T temperature - instantaneous, averaged.

Q load - instantaneous, integrated, or averaged (for controlled node).

N.4 equipment node:

node name eqp y fsl Tmin Tmax Ti

fsl fraction of stability limit

Tmin minimum expected temperature (C | F).

Tmax maximum expected temperature (C | F).

Ti initial temperature (C | F).

The surface properties and heat capacity of an equipment node are determined by data in the element and link commands relating to this node.

An equipment node is always subject to a control (defined in the link command) and therefore is simulated at the shortest possible time step in order to catch any changes in the control point status.

The following values can be reported for equipment nodes:

T temperature - instantaneous, averaged.

N.5 mass node:

node name mas type fsl Tmin Tmax Ti area mass c emit sig

type temperature type: b, c, or y.
fsl fraction of stability limit
Tmin minimum expected temperature (C | F).
Tmax maximum expected temperature (C | F).
Ti initial temperature (C | F).
area surface area (m² | ft²).
mass mass (kg | lb).
c specific heat (kJ/(kg·K) | Btu/(lb·F)).
emit emittance.
sig if type=c, name of signal setting the temperature, type t.

This is a generic thermal mass. It may be used in place of surface and layer nodes. Its primary purpose is to allow the modeling of thin sheets of material which are exposed to air at both surfaces. This can be done by connecting two surface nodes with a material layer, but this inevitably requires the implicit solution for the node temperatures (see TEST1C). Thin, high conductivity masses can usually be adequately modeled by a single node, which is effectively assuming that the entire mass, including both surfaces, is at a uniform temperature.

This is expressed mathematically in terms of the Biot number: $Bi = hL/k$ where h is the average unit-surface conductance, L is a significant length dimension (object volume divided by surface area), and k the thermal conductivity of the solid body. In a thin plate mass the error in assuming that the internal temperature is uniform is less than 5% when $Bi < 10\%$ (Kreith, p 140, 1973).

The surface area may represent either one side or both sides of the mass, depending on how it is convectively and radiatively linked to other nodes.

The following values can be reported for mass nodes:

- T temperature - instantaneous, averaged.
- Q load - instantaneous, integrated, or averaged (for controlled node).

Reference:

Kreith, F., 1973, Principles of Heat Transfer, 3rd ed., Intext Educational Publishers.

ELEMENTS:

E.1 material layer:

element name mat L κ ρ c [R]

- L thickness of layer (m | ft).
- κ thermal conductivity (W/(m·K) | Btu/(h·ft·F)).
- ρ density (kg/m³ | lb/ft³).
- c specific heat (kJ/(kg·K) | Btu/(lb·F)).
- R if L, κ , ρ , or c = 0, thermal resistance (m²·K/W | h·ft²·F/Btu).

The material layer is used by the conduction link to connect surface and layer nodes. It defines the thermal properties of a conductive material.

These elements are used in TEST1A, TEST1B, TEST2A, and TEST2B.

E.2 controlled flow rate:

element name cfr flow

flow maximum mass flow rate (standard L/s | standard ft³/min (cfm)).

All air flows in the present version of HLITE are specified using cfr elements and afp links to specify flows between air nodes.

Future extension: Use of additional elements as described in the AIRNET program to do relatively detailed combined air flow and heat transfer simulations.

E.3 variable convection coefficient:

element name hcv δ ϵ
 α_+ β_+ γ_+ α_- β_- γ_-

δ ϵ coefficients for correlation: $h = \delta + \epsilon/J$.
 α_+ β_+ γ_+ coefficients for correlation: $h = \alpha + \beta|\Delta T|^\gamma$.
 α_- β_- γ_- + for $\Delta T \geq 0$, - for $\Delta T < 0$ ($\Delta T = T_{srf} - T_{air}$).

The convection coefficients in real buildings varies with conditions and cannot be accurately represented by a single constant value. The variable convection coefficient element, hcv, is designed to allow consideration of the primary factors according to the most current correlations.

Simple natural convection model:

Most energy analysis programs base their simple natural convection models on data from ASHRAE [1]. This data includes the effect of surface slope. That is, when warm air is below a cooler horizontal surface (or cool air above a warm surface), there is more convective mixing than for air next to a vertical surface. Conversely, when cool air is below a warmer surface (or warm air above a cool surface) there is reduced convection. The values reported in Table 1, p 22.2 of [1] are for combined convection and radiation, so a radiative component of 1.02 times emissivity of 0.9 (English units) is subtracted from the tabulated values to give the following convection coefficients:

surface tilt	heat flow	h: Btu/h·ft ² ·°F	W/m ² ·K
horizontal	enhanced	0.712	4.04
45°	enhanced	0.682	3.87
vertical	-	0.542	3.08
45°	reduced	0.402	2.28
horizontal	reduced	0.162	0.92

The second line of hcv data for a ceiling and a floor using the above data (English units) would be:

0.162 0.0 0.0 0.712 0.0 0.0, and
 0.712 0.0 0.0 0.162 0.0 0.0, respectively, since the temperature difference is always based on surface temperature minus air temperature.

Detailed natural convection model.

A more detailed study of natural convection indicates that the convection coefficient is also a function of the magnitude of the temperature difference. ASHRAE presents two sets of values which could apply to detailed convection model. From page 3.12 of [1]:

surface tilt	heat flow	English	SI
horizontal	enhanced	$h = 0.22(\Delta T)^{.33}$	$h = 1.52(\Delta T)^{.33}$
vertical	-	$h = 0.19(\Delta T)^{.33}$	$h = 1.31(\Delta T)^{.33}$
horizontal	reduced	$h \approx 0.10(\Delta T)^{.33}$	$h \approx 0.70(\Delta T)^{.33}$

Convection coefficients for radiant heating panels is given on page 7.2 of [2]:

surface tilt	heat flow	English	SI
horizontal	enhanced	$h = 0.32(\Delta T)^{.31}$	$h = 2.18(\Delta T)^{.31}$
vertical	-	$h = 0.26(\Delta T)^{.32}$	$h = 1.78(\Delta T)^{.32}$
horizontal	reduced	$h = 0.021(\Delta T)^{.25}$	$h = 0.14(\Delta T)^{.25}$

The second line of hcv data for a ceiling and a floor using the first set of values (English units) would be:

0.0 0.10 0.33 0.0 0.22 0.33, and
 0.0 0.22 0.33 0.0 0.10 0.33, respectively.

Simple forced convection model:

The other primary factor effecting convection coefficients is the operation of the HVAC system forcing air through the room. One correlation for this case uses a combined convection and radiation coefficient of 2.0 Btu/h·ft²·°F. This corresponds to a convection coefficient of 1.08 Btu/h·ft²·°F or 6.14 W/m²·K, which gives a first line of ndf data (English units) like:

element name hcv 1.08 0.0 .

Detailed forced convection model:

A recent study by Spittler [3] on room convection coefficients at high flow rates found that the coefficients are dependent on the room/vent geometry and the momentum of the ventilation air. A correlation of the form

$$h = \delta + \epsilon \sqrt{J}$$

where J is the dimensionless jet momentum number is proposed.

$$J = FU / \rho gV$$

where

- F = mass flow rate,
- U = velocity of the air as it enters the room,
- ρ = density of the ventilation air,
- g = acceleration of gravity, and
- V = room volume.

Letting A_e be the effective opening area of the air inlet, gives

$$\sqrt{J} = F / \rho \sqrt{gVA_e}$$

Spittler recommends the following correlations:

Ceiling inlet configuration (for $0.001 < J < 0.03$):

	Btu/h·ft ² ·°F	W/m ² ·K
ceiling	$h = 2.01 + 36.9 \sqrt{J}$	$h = 11.4 + 209.7 \sqrt{J}$
walls	$h = 0.74 + 14.3 \sqrt{J}$	$h = 4.2 + 81.3 \sqrt{J}$
floor	$h = 0.62 + 8.24 \sqrt{J}$	$h = 3.5 + 46.8 \sqrt{J}$

Side wall inlet configuration (for $0.001 < J < 0.03$, $Ar < 0.3$ (Archimedes Number))

	Btu/h·ft ² ·°F	W/m ² ·K
ceiling	$h = 0.11 + 10.5 \sqrt{J}$	$h = 0.6 + 59.4 \sqrt{J}$
walls	$h = 0.28 + 16.3 \sqrt{J}$	$h = 1.6 + 92.7 \sqrt{J}$
floor	$h = 0.56 + 7.75 \sqrt{J}$	$h = 3.2 + 44.0 \sqrt{J}$

The calculation of J requires the mass flow rate, room volume, and effective inlet area. These values are determined by the cnv link description.

notes:

If δ and ϵ are both set to 0, the natural convection correlation is used even when there is a system air flow.

See TEST5A for the simple convection models and TEST5B for the detailed convection models.

The algorithm implemented in HLITE does not check the limits for the forced convection correlation, since no other correlation outside those limits is available.

- [1] 1989 ASHRAE Handbook - Fundamentals.
- [2] 1987 ASHRAE Handbook - HVAC Systems and Applications.
- [3] Spittler, J.D., "An Experimental Investigation of Air Flow and Convective Heat Transfer in Enclosures Having Large Ventilative Flow Rates", PhD Thesis, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL, 1990.

E.4 lamp:

```

element name lmp power light leff area emit mass c N
T1 Q1 L1
...
TN QN LN

power rated input power ( W ).
light rated light output ( lumen ).
leff luminous efficacy or radiated light ( lumen/W ).
area surface area ( m2 | ft2 ).
emit emittance.
mass mass ( kg | lb ).
c average specific heat ( kJ/(kg·K) | Btu/(lb·F) ).
N number of points used to define power and light curves.
Ti minimum lamp wall temperature ( C | F ).
Qi fraction of rated power at given temperature.
Li fraction of rated light output at given temperature.

```

This is a model of a fluorescent lamp. The rated input power ia for a single lamp and includes the power dissipated in the ballast. The luminous efficacy refers to the power contained in the radiated light. This is used in converting the rated light output from lumens to Watts for the calculation of various energy balances. This is not the standard definition of "luminous efficacy".

Area, mass, and specific heat are used for radiant and convective interchange and transient heat transfer analysis. Additional data must be included in the links and nodes that make up the complete description of the luminaire.

The characteristics of fluorescent lamps are strongly dependent on the mercury vapor pressure within the lamp which in turn depends on the minimum lamp temperature. The following performance data was obtained from figure 8-34 of [1]

T _{min}	Q _i	L _i
0.0	0.661	0.022
20.0	0.672	0.068
40.0	0.704	0.165
60.0	0.818	0.476
70.0	0.894	0.701
80.0	0.971	0.865
90.0	0.999	0.960
100.0	0.965	0.995
120.0	0.858	0.850
140.0	0.721	0.697
215.0	0.000	0.000

This may be used as a reasonable approximation of fluorescent lighting unless more specific data are available. These data are converted to a spline fit.

[1] IES Lighting Handbook, 1984 Reference Volume, Illumination Engineering Society of North America, New York, 1984.

E.5 equipment:

<u>element</u>	name	<u>epq</u>	power	area	emit	mass	c
power	rated input power		(W)				
area	surface area		(m ² ft ²)				
emit	emittance						
mass	mass		(kg lb)				
c	average specific heat		(kJ/(kg·K) Btu/(lb·F))				

This is the generic equipment element. It describes a single unit of equipment; multiple units may be considered together under the equipment link command.

Area, emittance, mass, and specific heat are used for radiant and convective interchange and transient heat transfer analysis. Additional data must be included in the equipment link to complete description of the equipment.

LINKS:

L.1 Constant heat transfer coefficient:

link name knd K node1 node2

K coefficient value (W/K | Btu/(h·°F)).

node1 name of node 1.

node2 name of node 2.

This is a generic simple link. It can be used to connect any two nodes. Note that this link makes no reference to the surface areas of the nodes; its effect is included in the K value: $Q = K (T_1 - T_2)$. Similarly, there is no reference to the node mass; it must be specified elsewhere.

This link is used in TEST2D.

L.2 conduction link:

link name cnd element nodel node2

element name of element, type mat.
nodel name of node 1, type lyr or srf.
node2 name of node 2, type lyr or srf.

The overall conductance is determined by the node areas and the mat element thermal properties: $K = A \kappa / L$.

The element properties are also used in determining the node heat capacities: $C = A L \rho c$. Half of C is assigned to each node.

The surface areas of the two nodes must be identical.

This link is used in TEST1A, TEST1B, TEST2A, and TEST2B.

L.3 constant convection link:

link name hcc hc nodel node2

hc convection coefficient ($W/(m^2 \cdot K)$ | $Btu/(h \cdot ft^2 \cdot F)$).
nodel name of node 1, type srf or mas or eqp.
node2 name of node 2, type air.

The constant convection coefficient is a simple model which is primarily useful in HLITE test cases which can be solved analytically. Note that the node which describes a surface area must appear as nodel, and node2 must be an air node. The heat transfer from the surface to the air is given by

$$Q = hc A (T_1 - T_2).$$

This link is used in TEST2A and TEST2B.

L.4 variable convection link:

link name cnv element node1 node2 link [VAe Fmax]

element name of element, type hcv.
node1 name of node 1, type srf or mas or eqp.
node2 name of node 2, type air.
link name of link giving a flow value, type afp.
VAe room volume times effective area of flow opening (m⁵ | ft⁵),
used to compute velocity from flow rate.
Fmax maximum flow rate (standard L/s | standard ft³/min (cfm)).

This links all the pieces necessary to describe a variable convection heat transfer. The appropriate hcv element must be used; there must be a node with a surface area and an air node; and the link must be describing an air flow unless the special link name null is used. A null link means that the flow rate portion of the hcv element is never used.

The VAe value is necessary to define the jet momentum number (section E.2) and Fmax is used in determining the maximum possible convection coefficient to evaluate stability. These values are included in the link data because they are room specific and some care must be used in defining values when there are multiple air inlets in the room or the room is described by multiple air nodes.

The following value can be reported for variable convection links:

h convection coefficient - instantaneous or averaged.

This link is used in TEST5A and TEST5B.

L.5 air flow path:

link name afp element node1 node2 sig

element name of element, type cfr.
node1 name of node air flows from, type air
node2 name of node air flows to, type air
sig name of signal point, type d.

The user is responsible for determining that a mass balance is maintained at each air node. This will later be replaced by a mass balance algorithm as used in the AIRNET program.

The following value can be reported for air flow path links:

F mass flow rate - instantaneous or averaged.

L.6 radiant exchange link:

link name rad sF node1 node2

sF (script F) view factor - include surface emissivity effects.
node1 name of node 1, type srf or mas or eqp.
node2 name of node 2, type srf or mas or eqp.

This is a simple radiation exchange model in which the effect of the emittances of both surfaces have been combined into the sF (script F) factor. Therefore, the emittance values given with the node data are not used. The user must insure that the data is consistent.

Two useful formulae [1] for the calculation of sF are:

(1) two infinitely large parallel plates:

$$sF = 1 / (1/\epsilon_1 + 1/\epsilon_2 - 1)$$

(2) two concentric spheres or cylinders:

$$sF = 1 / ((1-\epsilon_1)/\epsilon_1 + 1 + A_1(1-\epsilon_2)/A_2\epsilon_2)$$

This link is used in TEST4A.

[1] Kreith, F., Principles of Heat Transfer, 3rd ed, Intext Education Publishers, New York, 1973, pp 260, 261.

L.7 view factor matrix super link:

```
link name vfm N
node1
  F11 F12 ... F1N
...
nodeN
  FN1 FN2 ... FNN
```

N number of nodes (surfaces) in matrix.
nodei name of node i, type srf or mas or eqp.
Fij view factor from surface i to surface j.

This link uses the view between a set of N surfaces, and the emittances given with the node data to compute the radiation interchange between the set of surfaces. The algorithm uses the view factors and emittances to compute script F view factors (described in section L.6). These are computationally more efficient than using an iteration to compute radiosities.

The sum of the view factors in each row should equal 1 (tested to $\pm 1\%$) and reciprocity should apply: $A_i \cdot F_{ij} = A_j \cdot F_{ji}$ (tested to $\pm 1\%$).

This data will be conveniently generated by the VLITE program.

This link is used in TEST4B.

L.8 luminaire super link:

```
link name lum element M nodeE offset  
sig balf nodeB N  
node1 fr1  
...  
nodeN frN
```

element name of lamp element, type lmp.
M lamp multiplier, i.e. number of lamps.
nodeE name of equipment node, type eqp.
offset average lamp temperature - minimum lamp temperature (C | F).
sig name of signal point: fraction of rated wattage, type d.
balf fraction of input energy to the ballast.
nodeB if balf > 0, name of node containing the ballast, type mas;
otherwise use null as a place holder.
N number of nodes (surfaces) in light distribution matrix.
nodej name of node j, type srj or mas or eqp.
frj fraction of light from luminaire absorbed at surface.

The luminaire link is used to describe one or more luminaires. It describes multiple luminaires if they are subject to identical control: simply use a lamp multiplier and areas for the housing nodes that represent the combination of luminaires. See also the discussion of surface area in L.9.

A reasonable approximation for the offset value is that the minimum bulb temperature is 5°F (2.8°C) less than the average temperature.

The following value can be reported for luminaire links:

Q power used - instantaneous, integrated, or averaged.

This link is used in TEST6A and TEST6B.

L.9 equipment link:

link name eqp element N nodeE sig

element name of lamp element, type eqp.

N equipment multiplier.

nodeE name of equipment node, type eqp.

sig name of signal point: fraction of rated wattage, type d.

The equipment link is used to describe one or more pieces of equipment which release heat into the room. The equipment multiplier assigns a multiple of the element area and thermal mass to the node.

The equipment node can be linked to the room air by convection and to other surfaces by radiant interchange. Equipment with cooling fans may require very high convection coefficients for accurate modeling. The calculation of these links requires a node surface area, which is defined by the equipment link instead of at the equipment node. Therefore, the equipment link must be defined before any other links to the equipment node. Failure to do so results in an error message.

Note: It would have been possible to define the equipment surface area in the equipment node, but it seems easier to define the equipment area in one place (the element data) and let the multiplier insure consistency of mass and area values.

This link is used in TEST6C.

CONTROLS: (not yet implemented)

C.1 temperature sensor:

control name ts node out scale offset
node name of node for sensed temperature.
out name of output signal, type d.
output = scale * (Tnode - offset) to give a value between 0 and 1.

C.2 flow rate sensor:

control name fs link out scale offset
link name of link for sensed flow, type afp.
out name of output signal, type d.

C.3 set temperature:

control name st in out scale offset
in name of input signal, type d.
out name of output signal, type t.

C.4 signal inverter:

control name inv in out
in name of input signal, type d.
out name of output signal (out = 1.0 - in), type d.

C.5 proportional-integral control:

control name pic in out set kp ki
in name of input signal, type d.
out name of output signal, type d.
set name of set point signal, type d.
kp proportional factor
ki integral factor

? upper limit control:

control name ulc in out limit
in name of input signal, type d.
out name of output signal, type d.
limit name of upper limit signal, type d.

TIME SCALES:

times nr t1 t2 .. tn

nr number of different time steps
t1 ... tn shortest to longest step (in seconds)

Each successively longer time step must be a simple multiple of the previous time step. One hour (3600 sec) must be a simple multiple of the longest time step.

examples:

times 5 12 60 300 1200 3600
times 3 60 180 900
times 1 60

The full impact of using multiple time scales has not been established.

REPORTS:

```
report file N incr  
type1 name value action format  
...  
typeN name value action format
```

file name defining this report, an MS-DOS file name (no \ 's).
N number of items reported.
incr time increment between reports (sec).
typej node, link, or signal.
name identifies which one.
value selects the value to be reported.
action i = instantaneous value, s = integrated (trapezoidal) value,
a = averaged value.
format C language format specifier, e.g. %8.3f or %12.5e .

The time step must be defined before reports are defined.

There is a danger of misidentifying this input if N does not exactly match the number of lines that follow.

Each report is written to a different file. The file name should include no backslashes, '\'. The maximum number of reports is 5, which is set by the parameter MAXRPTFL (in the source code).

This output can be modified for direct import to spreadsheet programs by one of the interactive execution control parameters. In that case it may also be desirable to eliminate blanks from the report file, which can be done by changing the format specifiers, e.g. %3f or %5e .

Future extension: Reports that can also be activated from the DEF. This would allow printing of values at irregular intervals or for just a few time steps during the simulation.

```
display N incr  
type1 name value action format  
...  
typeN name value action format
```

This defines the values displayed at the bottom of the screen during simulation. The input is similar to that for reports (except no file name is needed).

Boundary Values File (BVF)

The BVF sets node values. The first record of the boundary values file tells the number of values in each record. The second record gives the names of the nodes corresponding to the respective values. The remaining records give a time and the values for that time. During simulation, values at intermediate times are obtained by linear interpolation. The BVF determines simulation start and stop times.

Consider the following BVF (file TEST1B.BVF):

```
1
node-5
001/00:00:00  50.0
001/01:00:00  50.0
001/02:00:00  32.0
001/03:00:00  50.0
001/06:00:00  50.0
*
```

The 1 on the first line indicates that each line of data will report one value, the temperature of node-5 as indicated on the second line, which was also identified as a boundary value node in the NDF. The BVF indicates that this temperature is constant for the first hour, decreases to 32°F at the end of the second hour, returns to 50°F during the next hour, and remains at that value until the end of simulation. Note that the time between data points is arbitrary. The times set the total period of simulation to six hours.

The * on the last line indicates the end of BVF information. This is the same as for the NDF. Also similar is the use of a / in the first column to indicate a comment and the interpretation of data past the last required entry on a line as a comment.

Times indicated by:

day number /	3 digits, 000 to 999
hour :	2 digits, 00 to 23
minute :	2 digits, 00 to 59
second	2 digits, 00 to 59

Discrete Events File (DEF)

The DEF sets signal values. This allows the changing of set points, etc., according to a very general user-defined schedule.

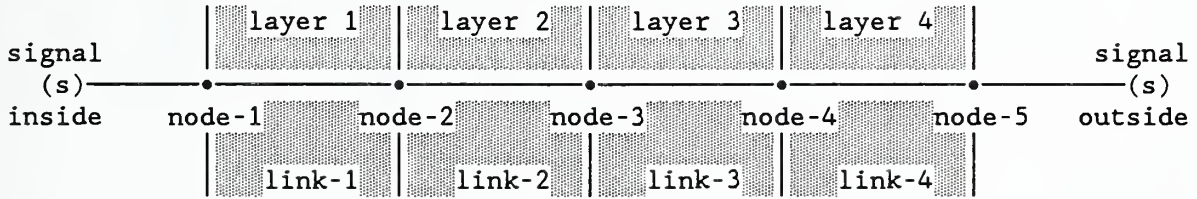
The following contents of TEST1B.DEF indicate that the control signal named "inside" is set to 77°F for one hour and then returned to 68°F, which is its initial value as specified in the NDF.

```
001/00:00:00
001/04:00:00  inside  77.0
001/05:00:00  inside  68.0
002/00:00:00
*
```

A single time equal to or greater than the final BVF time is required. Other times outside the simulation period specified by the BVF are ignored.

APPENDIX B: Analytic Test Cases

TEST1A involves the simplest heat transfer simulation, conduction within a homogeneous wall divided into 4 layers as shown.



There are 2 temperature signals which specify the temperatures at nodes 1 and 5. The nodes are all of the same type, lyr, with initial temperature of 68°F or 50°F, and areas of 10 ft². Nodes 1 and 5 are controlled, c, by the specified signal points, inside and outside. The material layers represent 1 inch of a masonry material ($\kappa = 0.45$, $\rho = 120.$, and $c = 0.20$). The five nodes are linked by the four material layers.

This is described in the following Network Data File:

```

signal inside t 68.
signal outside t 50.

node node-1 lyr c 1.0 68. 68. 68. 10. inside
node node-2 lyr v 1.0 50. 68. 68. 10.
node node-3 lyr v 1.0 50. 68. 68. 10.
node node-4 lyr v 1.0 50. 68. 68. 10.
node node-5 lyr c 1.0 50. 50. 50. 10. outside

element masonry-1" mat 0.083333 0.45 120. 0.2

link link-1 cnd masonry-1" node-1 node-2
link link-2 cnd masonry-1" node-2 node-3
link link-3 cnd masonry-1" node-3 node-4
link link-4 cnd masonry-1" node-4 node-5

times 1 300

report test1a.rpt 7 600
node node-1 T i %8.4f
node node-2 T i %8.4f
node node-3 T i %8.4f
node node-4 T i %8.4f
node node-5 T i %8.4f
node node-1 Q a %12.5e
node node-5 Q a %12.5e

display 2 300
node node-2 T i %8.4f
node node-4 T i %8.4f

* end of data

```

The NDF indicates that transient simulation will be done with a 300 second (5 minute) time step. The temperatures for all the nodes and the loads at the controlled nodes are written to a file named "testla.rpt" at every other time step. During the simulation, a line at the bottom of the screen is updated every (in this case) time step. This line gives the simulated time, the actual time since the simulation began, and the temperatures of nodes 2 and 4.

The contents of the BVF for this test are:

```
0
001/00:00:00
001/08:00:00
```

and the contents of the DEF are:

```
001/00:00:00
001/24:00:00
```

The BVF causes simulation for 8 hours; the DEF indicates no changes in the control signals.

The results of the simulation are given in file testla.rpt:

```
001/00:00:00  68.0000 68.0000 68.0000 68.0000 50.0000  0.0000e+00  0.0000e+00
001/00:10:00  68.0000 68.0000 67.0887 61.7225 50.0000  0.0000e+00 -6.7433e+02
001/00:20:00  68.0000 67.4567 65.1671 59.2802 50.0000  2.7680e+00 -6.4378e+02
001/00:30:00  68.0000 66.6655 63.6523 57.9147 50.0000  3.0078e+01 -5.0449e+02
001/00:40:00  68.0000 65.9421 62.5070 57.0175 50.0000  7.1784e+01 -4.2891e+02
001/00:50:00  68.0000 65.3578 61.6434 56.3806 50.0000  1.1064e+02 -3.7980e+02
001/01:00:00  68.0000 64.9055 60.9925 55.9124 50.0000  1.4223e+02 -3.4512e+02
001/01:10:00  68.0000 64.5610 60.5019 55.5631 50.0000  1.6674e+02 -3.1967e+02
001/01:20:00  68.0000 64.3002 60.1321 55.3008 50.0000  1.8543e+02 -3.0070e+02
001/01:30:00  68.0000 64.1033 59.8533 55.1035 50.0000  1.9958e+02 -2.8646e+02
001/01:40:00  68.0000 63.9548 59.6432 54.9548 50.0000  2.1026e+02 -2.7575e+02
001/01:50:00  68.0000 63.8428 59.4848 54.8428 50.0000  2.1832e+02 -2.6769e+02
001/02:00:00  68.0000 63.7584 59.3654 54.7584 50.0000  2.2440e+02 -2.6161e+02
...
...
...
001/07:40:00  68.0000 63.5000 59.0000 54.5000 50.0000  2.4300e+02 -2.4300e+02
001/07:50:00  68.0000 63.5000 59.0000 54.5000 50.0000  2.4300e+02 -2.4300e+02
001/08:00:00  68.0000 63.5000 59.0000 54.5000 50.0000  2.4300e+02 -2.4300e+02
```

This output shows gradual change in the temperature distribution to the expected values. The computed loads, 243 Btu/h, are also correct.

$$Q = \kappa A \Delta T / L = 0.45 * 10. * 18. / 0.333 = 243.$$

TEST1B is a quick test of the implicit method of calculation and the operation of the BVF and DEF. It uses the same thermal network as TEST1A, but the layers have no mass. Therefore, there are no transients in the solution.

signal inside t 68.

```
node node-1 lyr c 1. 68. 68. 68. 10. inside
node node-2 lyr v 1. 50. 68. 68. 10.
node node-3 lyr v 1. 50. 68. 68. 10.
node node-4 lyr v 1. 50. 68. 68. 10.
node node-5 lyr b 1. 50. 50. 50. 10.
```

```
element masonry-1" mat 0.083333 0.45 120. 0.0 0.0 no thermal mass
```

```
link link-1 cnd masonry-1" node-1 node-2
link link-2 cnd masonry-1" node-2 node-3
link link-3 cnd masonry-1" node-3 node-4
link link-4 cnd masonry-1" node-4 node-5
```

```
times 1 900
```

```
report test1b.rpt 7 900
node node-1 T i %8.4f
node node-2 T i %8.4f
node node-3 T i %8.4f
node node-4 T i %8.4f
node node-5 T i %8.4f
node node-1 Q i %12.5e
node node-1 Q s %12.5e
```

```
display 3 900
node node-2 T i %8.4f
node node-4 T i %8.4f
node node-5 T i %8.4f
```

* end of data

The following data is in TEST1B.BVF:

```
1
node-5
001/00:00:00 50.0
001/01:00:00 50.0
001/02:00:00 32.0
001/03:00:00 50.0
001/06:00:00 50.0
*
```

This indicates that each line of data will report one value, the temperature of node-5, which was also identified as a boundary value node in the NDF. The BVF indicates that this temperature is constant for the first hour, decreases to 32°F at the end of the second hour, returns to 50°F during the next hour, and remains at that value until the end of simulation. Note that the time between data points is arbitrary.

The following contents of TEST1B.DEF indicate that the control signal "inside" is set to 77°F for one hour and then returned to 68°F, which is its initial value as specified in the NDF.

```
001/00:00:00
001/04:00:00  inside  77.0
001/05:00:00  inside  68.0
002/00:00:00
```

The following report file was generated:

001/00:00:00	68.0000	68.0000	68.0000	68.0000	50.0000	0.0000e+00	0.0000e+00
001/00:15:00	68.0000	63.5000	59.0000	54.5000	50.0000	2.4300e+02	3.0375e+01
001/00:30:00	68.0000	63.5000	59.0000	54.5000	50.0000	2.4300e+02	6.0750e+01
001/00:45:00	68.0000	63.5000	59.0000	54.5000	50.0000	2.4300e+02	6.0750e+01
001/01:00:00	68.0000	63.5000	59.0000	54.5000	50.0000	2.4300e+02	6.0750e+01
001/01:15:00	68.0000	62.3750	56.7500	51.1250	45.5000	3.0375e+02	6.8344e+01
001/01:30:00	68.0000	61.2500	54.5000	47.7500	41.0000	3.6450e+02	8.3532e+01
001/01:45:00	68.0000	60.1250	52.2500	44.3750	36.5000	4.2525e+02	9.8719e+01
001/02:00:00	68.0000	59.0000	50.0000	41.0000	32.0000	4.8600e+02	1.1391e+02
001/02:15:00	68.0000	60.1250	52.2500	44.3750	36.5000	4.2525e+02	1.1391e+02
001/02:30:00	68.0000	61.2500	54.5000	47.7500	41.0000	3.6450e+02	9.8719e+01
001/02:45:00	68.0000	62.3750	56.7500	51.1250	45.5000	3.0375e+02	8.3532e+01
001/03:00:00	68.0000	63.5000	59.0000	54.5000	50.0000	2.4300e+02	6.8344e+01
001/03:15:00	68.0000	63.5000	59.0000	54.5000	50.0000	2.4300e+02	6.0750e+01
001/03:30:00	68.0000	63.5000	59.0000	54.5000	50.0000	2.4300e+02	6.0750e+01
001/03:45:00	68.0000	63.5000	59.0000	54.5000	50.0000	2.4300e+02	6.0750e+01
001/04:00:00	77.0000	63.5000	59.0000	54.5000	50.0000	7.2900e+02	1.2150e+02
001/04:15:00	77.0000	70.2500	63.5000	56.7500	50.0000	3.6450e+02	1.3669e+02
001/04:30:00	77.0000	70.2500	63.5000	56.7500	50.0000	3.6450e+02	9.1125e+01
001/04:45:00	77.0000	70.2500	63.5000	56.7500	50.0000	3.6450e+02	9.1125e+01
001/05:00:00	68.0000	70.2500	63.5000	56.7500	50.0000	-1.2150e+02	3.0375e+01
001/05:15:00	68.0000	63.5000	59.0000	54.5000	50.0000	2.4300e+02	1.5188e+01
001/05:30:00	68.0000	63.5000	59.0000	54.5000	50.0000	2.4300e+02	6.0750e+01
001/05:45:00	68.0000	63.5000	59.0000	54.5000	50.0000	2.4300e+02	6.0750e+01
001/06:00:00	68.0000	63.5000	59.0000	54.5000	50.0000	2.4300e+02	6.0750e+01
time	T ₁	T ₂	T ₃	T ₄	T ₅	Q ₁	Q ₁

Note the loads at time 4:00:00 and 5:00:00 which include the power required to change the temperatures. This is caused by the time stepping scheme. The temperature of the node has been set to the control values but the load is based on the temperature at the start of the time step.

Note instantaneous loads and total energy for each quarter hour time step.

TEST1C

TEST1C tests the simulation of a thin layer. Earlier tests indicated that this requires a direct solution of implicit (simultaneous) equations. Convergence is very slow for an iterative solution.

signal inside t 68.
signal outside t 50.

node node-1 air c 1. 68. 68. 68. 100. inside inside
node node-2 srf v 1. 50. 68. 68. 10. 0.90
node node-3 srf v 1. 50. 68. 68. 10. 0.90
node node-4 air c 1. 50. 50. 50. 100. outside outside

element metal mat 0.0052 118. 169. 0.21

link link-1 hcc 1.0 node-2 node-1
link link-2 cnd metal node-2 node-3
link link-3 hcc 1.0 node-3 node-4

times 1 300

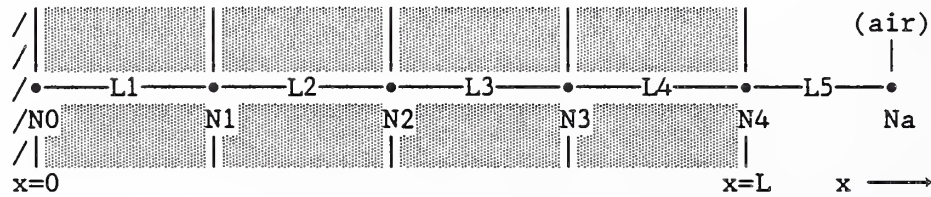
report test1c.rpt 6 600
node node-1 T i %8.3f
node node-2 T i %8.3f
node node-3 T i %8.3f
node node-4 T i %8.3f
node node-1 Q i %9.3f
node node-4 Q i %9.3f

display 3 300
node node-1 T i %8.3f
node node-2 T i %8.3f
node node-4 T i %8.3f

* end of data

001/00:00:00	68.000	68.000	68.000	50.000	0.000	0.000
001/00:10:00	68.000	61.485	61.485	50.000	42.707	-137.289
001/00:20:00	68.000	59.686	59.686	50.000	76.941	-103.055
001/00:30:00	68.000	59.190	59.189	50.000	86.393	-93.603
001/00:40:00	68.000	59.053	59.052	50.000	89.003	-90.993
001/00:50:00	68.000	59.015	59.014	50.000	89.723	-90.273
001/01:00:00	68.000	59.004	59.004	50.000	89.922	-90.074
001/01:10:00	68.000	59.001	59.001	50.000	89.977	-90.019
001/01:20:00	68.000	59.001	59.000	50.000	89.992	-90.004
001/01:30:00	68.000	59.000	59.000	50.000	89.996	-90.000
001/01:40:00	68.000	59.000	59.000	50.000	89.998	-89.998
001/01:50:00	68.000	59.000	59.000	50.000	89.998	-89.998
001/02:00:00	68.000	59.000	59.000	50.000	89.998	-89.998

TEST2A checks the simulation of transient conduction within a homogeneous wall. The physical problem consists of an infinite flat plate starting at temperature T_i which is suddenly exposed to fluid at temperature T_∞ . The HLITE model of the wall consists of 4 identical layers:



By linking node-0 only to node-1, there is no heat transfer across the $x=0$ plane. This equivalent to a plate of thickness $2L$ exposed to the fluid at both faces. This is done in the following NDF:

```

signal air-temp t 0.0

node node-0 lyr v 1. 0. 100. 0.0 10.
node node-1 lyr v 1. 0. 100. 0.0 10.
node node-2 lyr v 1. 0. 100. 0.0 10.
node node-3 lyr v 1. 0. 100. 0.0 10.
node node-4 srf v 1. 0. 100. 0.0 10. .90
node node-a air c 1. 0. 100. 0.0 100. air-temp air-temp

element masonry-0.75" mat 0.0625 0.45 120. 0.2

link link-1 cnd masonry-0.75" node-0 node-1
link link-2 cnd masonry-0.75" node-1 node-2
link link-3 cnd masonry-0.75" node-2 node-3
link link-4 cnd masonry-0.75" node-3 node-4
link link-5 hcc 1.0 node-4 node-a

times 1 120

report test2a.rpt 4 120
node node-a T i %8.4f
node node-4 T i %8.4f
node node-0 T i %8.4f
node node-a Q i %12.5e

report test2a.sum 1 3600
node node-a Q s %12.5e

display 3 120
node node-a T i %8.4f
node node-4 T i %8.4f
node node-0 T i %8.4f

* end of data

```

TEST2A uses the following BVF:

0
000/23:00:00
001/06:00:00

and the following DEF:

001/00:00:00
001/00:00:00 air-temp 100.0
002/00:00:00

to compute the following reported values:

000/23:00:00	-0.0000	-0.0000	-0.0000	0.0000e+00
...				
000/23:58:00	-0.0000	-0.0000	-0.0000	0.0000e+00
001/00:00:00	100.0000	-0.0000	-0.0000	5.4127e+03
001/00:02:00	100.0000	4.4444	-0.0000	1.0000e+03
001/00:04:00	100.0000	7.2691	-0.0000	9.5556e+02
001/00:06:00	100.0000	9.2919	-0.0000	9.2731e+02
001/00:08:00	100.0000	10.8769	-0.0000	9.0708e+02
001/00:10:00	100.0000	12.1972	0.0058	8.9123e+02
001/00:12:00	100.0000	13.3419	0.0254	8.7803e+02
001/00:14:00	100.0000	14.3609	0.0656	8.6658e+02
001/00:16:00	100.0000	15.2845	0.1315	8.5639e+02
001/00:18:00	100.0000	16.1324	0.2257	8.4716e+02
001/00:20:00	100.0000	16.9186	0.3491	8.3868e+02
001/00:22:00	100.0000	17.6529	0.5015	8.3081e+02
001/00:24:00	100.0000	18.3432	0.6816	8.2347e+02
001/00:26:00	100.0000	18.9953	0.8877	8.1657e+02
001/00:28:00	100.0000	19.6140	1.1179	8.1005e+02
001/00:30:00	100.0000	20.2035	1.3699	8.0386e+02
001/00:32:00	100.0000	20.7670	1.6419	7.9797e+02
...				
001/01:00:00	100.0000	27.0200	6.6457	7.3363e+02
...				
001/02:00:00	100.0000	36.8839	18.5749	6.3414e+02
...				
001/03:00:00	100.0000	45.1663	29.2346	5.5091e+02
...				
001/04:00:00	100.0000	52.3527	38.5081	4.7871e+02
...				
001/05:00:00	100.0000	58.5970	46.5667	4.1597e+02
...				
001/06:00:00	100.0000	64.0229	53.5692	3.6146e+02
time	T _a	T ₄	T ₀	Q _a

The step change in temperature for 0°F to 100°F is chosen for easy comparison to the normalized temperatures of the analytic solution for this case. The stability analysis done by HLITE indicates stability limits of about 330 seconds for the surface node and 375 seconds for the interior nodes. The 120 second time step causes HLITE to use the explicit time integration method.

The computed values can be compared to the classical analytic solution:

$$\frac{T(x,t) - T_{\infty}}{T_i - T_{\infty}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{-\delta_n^2 (t\alpha/L^2)} \frac{\sin\delta_n \cos(\delta_n x/L)}{\delta_n + \sin\delta_n \cos\delta_n}$$

with

$$\delta_n \tan\delta_n = hL/\kappa$$

The following results were computed (using program HEATSTEP) for the test case using normalized temperatures of $T_i = 0$ and $T_{\infty} = 1$.

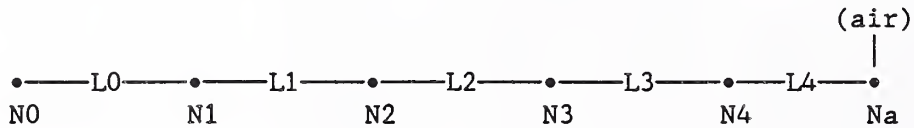
time	T at L	T at 0	time	T at L	T at 0
00:00:00	0.000000	0.000000	00:44:00	0.237893	0.037084
00:00:10	0.017842	0.000000	00:46:00	0.242279	0.040715
00:00:20	0.025086	0.000000	00:48:00	0.246558	0.044417
00:00:30	0.030588	0.000000	00:50:00	0.250738	0.048180
00:00:40	0.035188	0.000000	00:52:00	0.254829	0.051997
00:00:50	0.039213	0.000000	00:54:00	0.258838	0.055859
00:01:00	0.042828	0.000000	00:56:00	0.262772	0.059760
00:01:10	0.046134	0.000000	00:58:00	0.266637	0.063694
00:01:20	0.049195	0.000000	01:00:00	0.270440	0.067655
00:01:30	0.052056	0.000000	01:10:00	0.288662	0.087718
00:01:40	0.054749	0.000000	01:20:00	0.305872	0.107921
00:01:50	0.057299	0.000000	01:30:00	0.322342	0.128005
00:02:00	0.059726	0.000000	01:40:00	0.338234	0.147827
00:02:30	0.066402	0.000000	01:50:00	0.353644	0.167309
00:03:00	0.072374	0.000000	02:00:00	0.368634	0.186409
00:03:30	0.077811	0.000000	02:10:00	0.383239	0.205109
00:04:00	0.082828	0.000000	02:20:00	0.397485	0.223399
00:04:30	0.087500	0.000000	02:30:00	0.411390	0.241281
00:05:00	0.091884	0.000000	02:40:00	0.424968	0.258759
00:06:00	0.099949	0.000003	02:50:00	0.438227	0.275838
00:07:00	0.107265	0.000011	03:00:00	0.451179	0.292526
00:08:00	0.113990	0.000031	03:10:00	0.463831	0.308830
00:09:00	0.120233	0.000072	03:20:00	0.476190	0.324760
00:10:00	0.126073	0.000143	03:30:00	0.488265	0.340323
00:12:00	0.136772	0.000415	03:40:00	0.500060	0.355528
00:14:00	0.146426	0.000909	03:50:00	0.511583	0.370382
00:16:00	0.155257	0.001670	04:00:00	0.522841	0.384894
00:18:00	0.163418	0.002718	04:10:00	0.533839	0.399071
00:20:00	0.171021	0.004057	04:20:00	0.544584	0.412922
00:22:00	0.178151	0.005680	04:30:00	0.555081	0.426454
00:24:00	0.184872	0.007574	04:40:00	0.565336	0.439674
00:26:00	0.191239	0.009718	04:50:00	0.575355	0.452589
00:28:00	0.197293	0.012093	05:00:00	0.585142	0.465206
00:30:00	0.203072	0.014679	05:10:00	0.594704	0.477533
00:32:00	0.208604	0.017453	05:20:00	0.604046	0.489575
00:34:00	0.213918	0.020398	05:30:00	0.613173	0.501340
00:36:00	0.219034	0.023495	05:40:00	0.622089	0.512834
00:38:00	0.223973	0.026727	05:50:00	0.630799	0.524062
00:40:00	0.228753	0.030078	06:00:00	0.639309	0.535032
00:42:00	0.233388	0.033535	∞	1.000000	1.000000

TEST2B is a test of the implicit time integration method. It differs from the explicit test only in the size of the time step, which is set at 600 seconds.

000/23:00:00	-0.0000	-0.0000	-0.0000	0.0000e+00
...				
000/23:50:00	-0.0000	-0.0000	-0.0000	0.0000e+00
001/00:00:00	100.0000	-0.0000	-0.0000	1.0825e+03
001/00:10:00	100.0000	9.7860	0.2744	1.0000e+03
001/00:20:00	100.0000	15.2648	0.9635	9.0214e+02
001/00:30:00	100.0000	18.9949	2.0556	8.4735e+02
001/00:40:00	100.0000	21.8838	3.4685	8.1005e+02
001/00:50:00	100.0000	24.3047	5.1083	7.8116e+02
001/01:00:00	100.0000	26.4364	6.8947	7.5695e+02
...				
001/02:00:00	100.0000	36.5881	18.3097	6.4925e+02
...				
001/03:00:00	100.0000	44.8416	28.8263	5.6449e+02
...				
001/04:00:00	100.0000	51.9811	38.0295	4.9141e+02
...				
001/05:00:00	100.0000	58.1934	46.0459	4.2783e+02
...				
001/06:00:00	100.0000	63.6017	53.0256	3.7248e+02

General note: The finite difference method is actually solving a slightly different problem than the step change in air temperature. The change in temperature cannot be instantaneous; it occurs over a single time step. That is, during one time step the air temperature changes linearly from its initial to its final value. Shorter time steps are better at representing a step change, but they never really produce a step change.

TEST2C checks the mas elements and knd links in a transient simulation which is identical to TEST2A. The configuration of nodes and links remains the same. The must be computed to match the corresponding mat elements and lyr links.



The masses of nodes 1, 2, and 3 are given by $m = \rho LA = 120 \cdot 0.0625 \cdot 10 = 75$. Nodes 0 and 4 have half that mass. The heat transfer coefficient between nodes is given by $K = \kappa A/L = 0.45 \cdot 10 / 0.025 = 72$. These values are used in the following NDF:

```

signal air-temp t 0.0

node node-0 mas v 1. 0. 100. 0.0 10. 37.5 0.2 .90
node node-1 mas v 1. 0. 100. 0.0 10. 75.0 0.2 .90
node node-2 mas v 1. 0. 100. 0.0 10. 75.0 0.2 .90
node node-3 mas v 1. 0. 100. 0.0 10. 75.0 0.2 .90
node node-4 mas v 1. 0. 100. 0.0 10. 37.5 0.2 .90
node node-a air c 1. 0. 100. 0.0 100. air-temp air-temp

link link-1 knd 72.0 node-0 node-1
link link-2 knd 72.0 node-1 node-2
link link-3 knd 72.0 node-2 node-3
link link-4 knd 72.0 node-3 node-4
link link-5 hcc 1.0 node-4 node-a

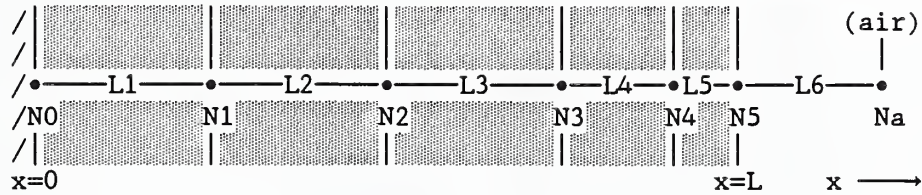
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times 1 120
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...
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This test gives results identical to TEST2A.

TEST2D tests the use of multiple time steps. The surface layer of TEST2A is divided into two layers.



```

signal air-temp t 0.0

node node-0 lyr v 1. 0. 100. 0.0 10.
node node-1 lyr v 1. 0. 100. 0.0 10.
node node-2 lyr v 1. 0. 100. 0.0 10.
node node-3 lyr v 1. 0. 100. 0.0 10.
node node-4 lyr v 1. 0. 100. 0.0 10.
node node-5 srf v 1. 0. 100. 0.0 10. .90
node node-a air c 1. 0. 100. 0.0 100. air-temp air-temp

element masonry-0.25" mat 0.02083 0.45 120. 0.2
element masonry-0.50" mat 0.04167 0.45 120. 0.2
element masonry-0.75" mat 0.0625 0.45 120. 0.2

link link-1 cnd masonry-0.75" node-0 node-1
link link-2 cnd masonry-0.75" node-1 node-2
link link-3 cnd masonry-0.75" node-2 node-3
link link-4 cnd masonry-0.50" node-3 node-4
link link-5 cnd masonry-0.25" node-4 node-5
link link-6 hcc 1.0 node-5 node-a

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```
times 3 30 60 120
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...

These times were chosen to allow comparison to the TEST2A results and to match the stability limits of the thinner layers. This is reported in TEST2D.OUT:

...

```

node: node-3 C = 12.50 Btu/F node # 4
  linked to node-4 by link-4 K = 107.99 Btu/(hr*F)
  linked to node-2 by link-3 K = 72.00 Btu/(hr*F)
  sum(K) = 179.99 stability limit = 250.0 sec time step = 120

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```

node: node-4 C = 7.50 Btu/F node # 5
  linked to node-5 by link-5 K = 216.03 Btu/(hr*F)
  linked to node-3 by link-4 K = 107.99 Btu/(hr*F)
  sum(K) = 324.03 stability limit = 83.3 sec time step = 60

```

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node: node-5 C = 2.50 Btu/F node # 6
  linked to node-a by link-6 K = 10.0 Btu/(hr*F)
  linked to node-4 by link-5 K = 216.03 Btu/(hr*F)
  sum(K) = 226.03 stability limit = 39.8 sec time step = 30

```

...

The results of simulation are reported at the same times used in TEST2A:

```

000/23:00:00  -0.0000 -0.0000 -0.0000  0.0000e+00
...
000/23:58:00  -0.0000 -0.0000 -0.0000  0.0000e+00
001/00:00:00  100.0000 -0.0000 -0.0000  2.1651e+04
001/00:02:00  100.0000  5.1262 -0.0000  9.5642e+02
001/00:04:00  100.0000  7.6559 -0.0000  9.2858e+02
001/00:06:00  100.0000  9.4215 -0.0000  9.0973e+02
001/00:08:00  100.0000 10.8447 -0.0000  8.9485e+02
001/00:10:00  100.0000 12.0689  0.0047  8.8220e+02
001/00:12:00  100.0000 13.1570  0.0217  8.7102e+02
001/00:14:00  100.0000 14.1425  0.0582  8.6094e+02
001/00:16:00  100.0000 15.0464  0.1193  8.5171e+02
001/00:18:00  100.0000 15.8833  0.2080  8.4319e+02
001/00:20:00  100.0000 16.6637  0.3254  8.3525e+02
001/00:22:00  100.0000 17.3958  0.4714  8.2782e+02
001/00:24:00  100.0000 18.0862  0.6450  8.2082e+02
001/00:26:00  100.0000 18.7400  0.8445  8.1420e+02
001/00:28:00  100.0000 19.3615  1.0680  8.0790e+02
001/00:30:00  100.0000 19.9543  1.3135  8.0191e+02
...
001/01:00:00  100.0000 26.8301  6.5212  7.3266e+02
...
001/02:00:00  100.0000 36.7421 18.4331  6.3332e+02
...
001/03:00:00  100.0000 45.0434 29.1072  5.5021e+02
...
001/04:00:00  100.0000 52.2447 38.3955  4.7811e+02
...
001/05:00:00  100.0000 58.5020 46.4673  4.1547e+02
...
001/06:00:00  100.0000 63.9393 53.4815  3.6103e+02

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These results compare extremely well to the analytic solution. In addition this simulation is computing temperatures at the surface node every 30 seconds which would be useful for the analysis of dynamics at that time scale.

The following table summarizes the transient conduction tests.

Surface temperatures:

time	analytic	test2a	test2b	test2d
00:02:00	0.059726	0.044444	-	0.051262
00:04:00	0.082828	0.072691	-	0.076559
00:10:00	0.126073	0.121972	0.097860	0.120689
01:00:00	0.270440	0.270200	0.264364	0.268301
02:00:00	0.368634	0.368839	0.365881	0.367421
06:00:00	0.639309	0.640229	0.636017	0.639393

execution time (sec):	0.93	0.82	2.53
(without reports)			

TEST3A checks the operation of air node controls when both signals are identical. The network consists of a single air node controlled by a single signal which causes a step change in temperature during the simulation. This also provides test of a degenerate network.

signal air-temp t 50.

node node-a air c 1. 50. 68. 50. 100. air-temp air-temp

times 1 900

report testld.rpt 4 900
node node-a T i %8.4f
node node-a Q i %12.5e
node node-a Q a %12.5e
node node-a Q s %12.5e

} Note 3 different reporting methods

report test3A.sum 1 3600
node node-a Q s %12.5e

display 2 900
node node-a T i %8.4f
node node-a Q i %12.5f

* end of data

The BVF allows for two hours of simulation. The DEF causes the airtemperature to increase to 68°F after one hour:

001/01:00:00 air-temp 68.

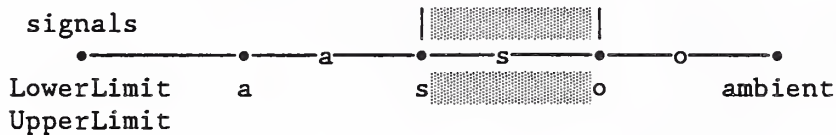
The results from TEST3A.RPT are:

001/00:00:00	50.0000	0.0000e+00	0.0000e+00	0.0000e+00
001/00:15:00	50.0000	0.0000e+00	0.0000e+00	0.0000e+00
001/00:30:00	50.0000	0.0000e+00	0.0000e+00	0.0000e+00
001/00:45:00	50.0000	0.0000e+00	0.0000e+00	0.0000e+00
001/01:00:00	68.0000	1.2990e+02	6.4952e+01	1.6238e+01
001/01:15:00	68.0000	0.0000e+00	6.4952e+01	1.6238e+01
001/01:30:00	68.0000	0.0000e+00	0.0000e+00	0.0000e+00
001/01:45:00	68.0000	0.0000e+00	0.0000e+00	0.0000e+00
001/02:00:00	68.0000	0.0000e+00	0.0000e+00	0.0000e+00

The results from TEST3A.SUM are:

001/00:00:00	0.0000e+00
001/01:00:00	1.6238e+01
001/02:00:00	1.6238e+01

TEST3B checks the operation of air node dead band control operation. There are two unconnected thermal networks in this test. Simple convection and conduction links (overall $U = 0.10 \text{ Btu/h}\cdot\text{ft}^2\cdot^\circ\text{F}$) connect the two air nodes to a boundary node representing ambient air. One of the air nodes is simulated with mass; the other is massless.



```
signal LowerLimit t 70.
signal UpperLimit t 75.
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```
node node-a1 air c 1. 70. 75. 70. 100. LowerLimit UpperLimit
node node-s1 srf v 1. 69. 76. 70. 100. .90
node node-o1 srf v 1. 60. 85. 60. 100. .90
node node-a2 air c 1. 70. 75. 70. 0.0 LowerLimit UpperLimit massless air
node node-s2 srf v 1. 69. 76. 70. 100. .90
node node-o2 srf v 1. 60. 85. 60. 100. .90
node ambient air b 1. 60. 85. 60. 100.
```

```
element InsWall mat 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 8.0
```

```
link link-a1 hcc 1.0 node-s1 node-a1
link link-s1 cnd InsWall node-o1 node-s1
link link-o1 hcc 1.0 node-o1 ambient
```

```
link link-a2 hcc 1.0 node-s2 node-a2
link link-s2 cnd InsWall node-o2 node-s2
link link-o2 hcc 1.0 node-o2 ambient
```

```
times 1 300
```

```
report test3b.rpt 7 300
node ambient T i %8.3f
node node-s1 T i %8.3f
node node-a1 T i %8.3f
node node-a1 Q i %9.3f
node node-s2 T i %8.3f
node node-a2 T i %8.3f
node node-a2 Q i %9.3f
```

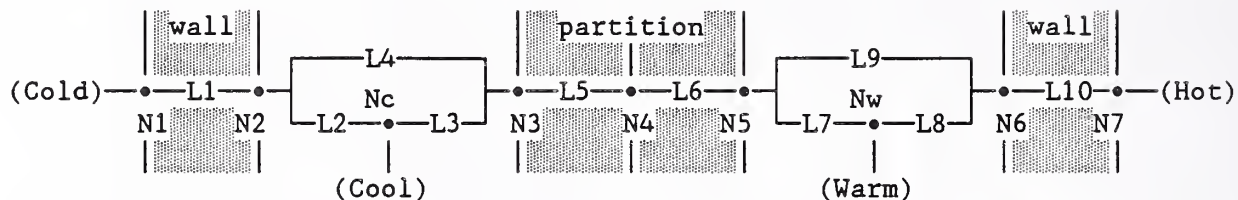
```
display 3 300
node ambient T i %8.3f
node node-a1 T i %8.3f
node node-a2 T i %8.3f
```

```
* end of data
```

The BVF is set up to cause the temperature to increase from 60°F to 85°F during the first two hours of simulation and return to 60°F during the last two hours.

001/00:00:00	50.000	60.000	70.000	0.000	60.000	70.000	0.000
001/00:05:00	61.042	69.104	70.000	89.583	69.104	70.000	89.583
001/00:10:00	62.083	69.208	70.000	79.167	69.208	70.000	79.167
001/00:15:00	63.125	69.312	70.000	68.750	69.312	70.000	68.750
001/00:20:00	64.167	69.417	70.000	58.333	69.417	70.000	58.333
001/00:25:00	65.208	69.521	70.000	47.917	69.521	70.000	47.917
001/00:30:00	66.250	69.625	70.000	37.500	69.625	70.000	37.500
001/00:35:00	67.292	69.729	70.000	27.083	69.729	70.000	27.083
001/00:40:00	68.333	69.833	70.000	16.667	69.833	70.000	16.667
001/00:45:00	69.375	69.937	70.000	6.250	69.937	70.000	6.250
001/00:50:00	70.417	70.042	70.192	0.000	70.042	70.018	0.000
001/00:55:00	71.458	70.679	70.592	0.000	71.458	71.458	0.000
001/01:00:00	72.500	71.326	71.195	0.000	72.500	72.500	0.000
001/01:05:00	73.542	72.097	71.936	0.000	73.542	73.542	0.000
001/01:10:00	74.583	72.954	72.773	0.000	74.583	74.583	0.000
001/01:15:00	75.625	73.869	73.674	0.000	75.625	75.000	-0.000
001/01:20:00	76.667	74.824	74.619	0.000	75.167	75.000	-16.666
001/01:25:00	77.708	75.807	75.000	-12.890	75.271	75.000	-27.083
001/01:30:00	78.750	75.375	75.000	-37.500	75.375	75.000	-37.500
001/01:35:00	79.792	75.479	75.000	-47.916	75.479	75.000	-47.916
001/01:40:00	80.833	75.583	75.000	-58.333	75.583	75.000	-58.333
001/01:45:00	81.875	75.687	75.000	-68.750	75.687	75.000	-68.750
001/01:50:00	82.917	75.792	75.000	-79.166	75.792	75.000	-79.166
001/01:55:00	83.958	75.896	75.000	-89.583	75.896	75.000	-89.583
001/02:00:00	85.000	76.000	75.000	-100.00	76.000	75.000	-100.00
001/02:05:00	83.958	75.896	75.000	-89.583	75.896	75.000	-89.583
001/02:10:00	82.917	75.792	75.000	-79.167	75.792	75.000	-79.167
001/02:15:00	81.875	75.688	75.000	-68.750	75.688	75.000	-68.750
001/02:20:00	80.833	75.583	75.000	-58.333	75.583	75.000	-58.333
001/02:25:00	79.792	75.479	75.000	-47.917	75.479	75.000	-47.917
001/02:30:00	78.750	75.375	75.000	-37.500	75.375	75.000	-37.500
001/02:35:00	77.708	75.271	75.000	-27.083	75.271	75.000	-27.083
001/02:40:00	76.667	75.167	75.000	-16.667	75.167	75.000	-16.667
001/02:45:00	75.625	75.063	75.000	-6.250	75.063	75.000	-6.250
001/02:50:00	74.583	74.958	74.808	0.000	74.958	74.982	0.000
001/02:55:00	73.542	74.321	74.408	0.000	73.542	73.542	0.000
001/03:00:00	72.500	73.674	73.805	0.000	72.500	72.500	0.000
001/03:05:00	71.458	72.903	73.064	0.000	71.458	71.458	0.000
001/03:10:00	70.417	72.046	72.227	0.000	70.417	70.417	0.000
001/03:15:00	69.375	71.131	71.326	0.000	69.375	70.000	0.000
001/03:20:00	68.333	70.176	70.381	0.000	69.833	70.000	16.666
001/03:25:00	67.292	69.193	70.000	12.890	69.729	70.000	27.083
001/03:30:00	66.250	69.625	70.000	37.500	69.625	70.000	37.500
001/03:35:00	65.208	69.521	70.000	47.916	69.521	70.000	47.916
001/03:40:00	64.167	69.417	70.000	58.333	69.417	70.000	58.333
001/03:45:00	63.125	69.313	70.000	68.750	69.313	70.000	68.750
001/03:50:00	62.083	69.208	70.000	79.166	69.208	70.000	79.166
001/03:55:00	61.042	69.104	70.000	89.583	69.104	70.000	89.583
001/04:00:00	60.000	69.000	70.000	100.00	69.000	70.000	100.00

TEST4A checks the calculation of radiant heat transfer.



This test uses a mode complex thermal network representing two walls bounding two air spaces which are separated by an almost infinite resistance partition. The outside surface temperatures and the air temperatures are set constant. If there is no heat conduction through the partition, the temperatures of the four nodes bounding the two air spaces can be computed by solving two pairs of simultaneous non-linear equations.

The corresponding NDF description is:

```
signal ColdSurface t 48.
signal HotSurface t 98.
signal CoolRoom t 68.
signal WarmRoom t 78
```

```
node node-1 lyr c 1. 48. 48. 48. 2000. ColdSurface
node node-2 srf v 1. 48. 68. 60. 2000. .90
node node-c air c 1. 68. 68. 68. 10000. CoolRoom CoolRoom
node node-3 srf v 1. 68. 68. 68. 2000. .90
node node-4 lyr v 1. 68. 78. 73. 2000.
node node-5 srf v 1. 78. 78. 78. 2000. .90
node node-w air c 1. 78. 78. 78. 10000. WarmRoom WarmRoom
node node-6 srf v 1. 78. 98. 80. 2000. .90
node node-7 lyr c 1. 98. 98. 98. 2000. HotSurface
```

```
element ExtWall mat 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 4.0
element Partition mat 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 1.0e8
```

```
link link-1 cnd ExtWall node-1 node-2
link link-2 hcc 0.5424 node-2 node-c
link link-3 hcc 0.5424 node-3 node-c
link link-4 rad 0.818182 node-2 node-3
link link-5 cnd Partition node-3 node-4
link link-6 cnd Partition node-4 node-5
link link-7 rad 0.818182 node-5 node-6
link link-8 hcc 0.5424 node-5 node-w
link link-9 hcc 0.5424 node-6 node-w
link link-10 cnd ExtWall node-6 node-7
```

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times 1 900

```
report test4a.rpt 6 900
node node-2 T i %8.4f
node node-3 T i %8.4f
node node-5 T i %8.4f
node node-6 T i %8.4f
node node-c Q a %12.5e
node node-w Q a %12.5e
```

```
display 6 900
node node-2 T i %8.4f
node node-c T i %8.4f
node node-3 T i %8.4f
node node-5 T i %8.4f
node node-w T i %8.4f
node node-6 T i %8.4f
```

* end of data

For the "cool" side of the network, there are four active heat transfer paths:

- (1) link-1 $q_1 = U (T_1 - T_2)$ conduction in the exterior wall,
- (2) link-2 $q_2 = H (T_2 - T_c)$ convection from the wall to the air,
- (3) link-3 $q_3 = H (T_3 - T_c)$ convection from the partition to the air, and
- (4) link-4 $q_4 = \sigma F (T_2^4 - T_3^4)$ radiation from the wall to the partition.

$U = 0.25 \text{ Btu/h}\cdot\text{ft}^2\cdot^\circ\text{F}$; $H = 0.5424 \text{ Btu/h}\cdot\text{ft}^2\cdot^\circ\text{F}$;
 $\sigma = 1.7141\text{E-}9 \text{ Btu/h}\cdot\text{ft}^2\cdot\text{R}^4$ (Stefan-Boltzmann constant);
 $F = 1 / (1/\epsilon_1 + 1/\epsilon_2 - 1) = 0.818182$ for $\epsilon_1 = \epsilon_2 = 0.90$ (radiation interchange factor between two surfaces which can see only each other).

This leads to the following heat balances at surfaces 2 and 3:

$q_1 - q_2 - q_4 = 0$, and $q_4 - q_3 = 0$, respectively.

Solving these equations simultaneously with $T_1 = 48^\circ\text{F}$ and $T_c = 68^\circ\text{F}$ gives $T_2 = 63.523^\circ\text{F}$,

$T_3 = 65.322^\circ\text{F}$, and $q_1 = -3.881 \text{ Btu/h}\cdot\text{ft}^2$. For the entire 2000 ft^2 wall the expected heating load is $7762. \text{ Btu/h}$.

Similarly, for the "warm" side of the network setting $T_7 = 98^\circ\text{F}$ and $T_w = 78^\circ\text{F}$ gives $T_6 = 80.752^\circ\text{F}$, $T_5 = 82.428^\circ\text{F}$, and $q_1^0 = 3.893 \text{ Btu/h}\cdot\text{ft}^2$. For the entire 2000 ft^2 wall the expected cooling load is $7786. \text{ Btu/h}$. Note that this load is not exactly equal to the heating load for the cool room even though there is a 20°F temperature difference for both walls. This is caused by the nonlinear nature of radiant heat transfer.

The computed results from file test4a.rpt are:

001/00:00:00	60.0000	68.0000	78.0000	80.0000	0.0000e+00	0.0000e+00
001/00:15:00	63.5213	65.3246	80.7389	82.4352	3.8803e+03	-3.8912e+03
001/00:30:00	63.5226	65.3228	80.7495	82.4279	7.7610e+03	-7.7842e+03
001/00:45:00	63.5226	65.3228	80.7495	82.4279	7.7613e+03	-7.7860e+03
001/01:00:00	63.5226	65.3228	80.7495	82.4279	7.7613e+03	-7.7860e+03
time	T ₂	T ₃	T ₆	T ₅	Q _w	Q _c

TEST4B is identical to test4a except that view factor, vfm, links are used in place of the radiant interchange, rad, links. The link portion of the test4b NDF is:

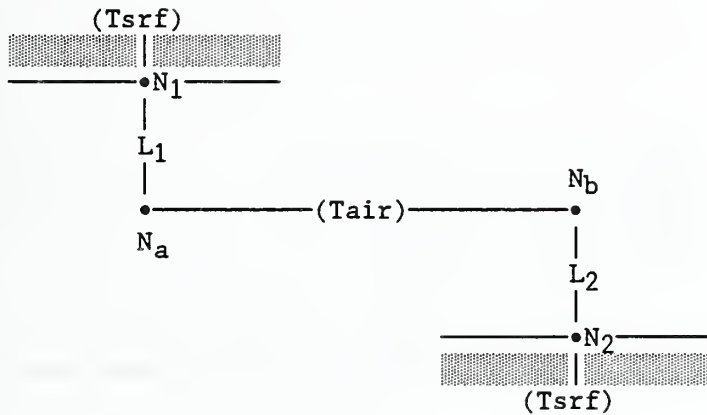
```
link link-1 cnd ExtWall   node-1 node-2
link link-2 hcc 0.5424   node-2 node-c
link link-3 hcc 0.5424   node-3 node-c
link link-4 vfm 2
  node-2
    0.0 1.0
  node-3
    1.0 0.0
link link-5 cnd Partition node-3 node-4
link link-6 cnd Partition node-4 node-5
link link-7 vfm 2
  node-5
    0.0 1.0
  node-6
    1.0 0.0
link link-8 hcc 0.5424   node-5 node-w
link link-9 hcc 0.5424   node-6 node-w
link link-10 cnd ExtWall node-6 node-7
```

Note that node-2 has a view factor of 0.0 to itself and 1.0 to node-3; node-3 has a view factor of 1.0 to node-2 and 0.0 to itself. This is physically identical to the situation simulated in test4a. Therefore, the results of simulation should be identical, which is confirmed by the output file test2b.rpt:

```
001/00:00:00 60.0000 68.0000 78.0000 80.0000 0.0000e+00 0.0000e+00
001/00:15:00 63.5213 65.3246 80.7389 82.4352 3.8803e+03 -3.8912e+03
001/00:30:00 63.5226 65.3228 80.7495 82.4279 7.7610e+03 -7.7842e+03
001/00:45:00 63.5226 65.3228 80.7495 82.4279 7.7613e+03 -7.7860e+03
001/01:00:00 63.5226 65.3228 80.7495 82.4279 7.7613e+03 -7.7860e+03
```

This output shows how nonlinearities are handled over several timesteps.

TEST5A checks the simple models for the variable convection coefficient element.



```
signal Tair      t 70.
signal Tsurf     t 50.
signal flow      d 0.0
```

```
node node-a air c 1. 70. 70. 70. 100. Tair Tair
node node-b air c 1. 70. 70. 70. 100. Tair Tair
node node-1 srf c 1. 50. 90. 50. 10. .90 Tsurf
node node-2 srf c 1. 50. 90. 50. 10. .90 Tsurf
```

```
element hs_ceil hcv 1.08 0.0
0.162 0.0 0.0 0.712 0.0 0.0
element hs_wall hcv 1.08 0.0
0.542 0.0 0.0 0.542 0.0 0.0
element hs_floor hcv 1.08 0.0
0.712 0.0 0.0 0.162 0.0 0.0
element flow cfr 1.0
```

← Since the ϵ coefficient is 0, the VA_e and flow values in the cnv links below are not needed.

```
link link-0 afp flow node-a node-b flow
link link-1 cnv hs_ceil node-1 node-a link-0
link link-2 cnv hs_floor node-2 node-b link-0
```

times 1 300

```
report test5a.rpt 7 300
node node-a T i %8.4f
node node-1 T i %8.4f
node node-2 T i %8.4f
node node-a Q i %12.5e
node node-b Q i %12.5e
link link-1 h i %8.4f
link link-2 h i %8.4f
```

```
display 3 300
node node-a T i %8.4f
node node-a Q i %12.5e
node node-b Q i %12.5e
```

* end of data

Beginning at $T_{air} = 70^{\circ}\text{F}$ and $T_{srf} = 50^{\circ}\text{F}$, T_{srf} is incremented by 5°F up to 90°F . The following DEF file was used:

```
00:00:00
00:10:00  Tsrfr  55.
00:20:00  Tsrfr  60.
00:30:00  Tsrfr  65.
00:40:00  Tsrfr  70.
00:50:00  Tsrfr  75.
01:00:00  Tsrfr  80.
01:10:00  Tsrfr  85.
01:20:00  Tsrfr  90.
01:30:00  flow   1.0
```

The expected loads, given by $Q = h \cdot A \cdot (T_{srf} - T_{air})$, are:

Tsrfr	Q1	Q2
50.0	142.4	32.4
55.0	106.8	24.3
60.0	71.2	16.2
65.0	35.6	8.1
70.0	0.0	0.0
75.0	-8.1	-35.6
80.0	-16.2	-71.2
85.0	-24.3	-106.8
90.0	-32.4	-142.4

After the flow signal is set, the expected load is

$$Q = -h \cdot A \cdot \Delta T = 1.08 \cdot 10 \cdot (90 - 70) = 216.0 \text{ Btu/h.}$$

Five minute time steps reporting intervals were used. All the temperatures are fixed; none are computed. HLITE produced the following RPT file:

```
001/00:00:00  70.0000  50.0000  50.0000  0.0000e+00  0.0000e+00  0.0000  0.0000
001/00:05:00  70.0000  50.0000  50.0000  1.4240e+02  3.2400e+01  0.7120  0.1620
001/00:10:00  70.0000  55.0000  55.0000  1.4240e+02  3.2400e+01  0.7120  0.1620
001/00:15:00  70.0000  55.0000  55.0000  1.0680e+02  2.4300e+01  0.7120  0.1620
001/00:20:00  70.0000  60.0000  60.0000  1.0680e+02  2.4300e+01  0.7120  0.1620
001/00:25:00  70.0000  60.0000  60.0000  7.1200e+01  1.6200e+01  0.7120  0.1620
001/00:30:00  70.0000  65.0000  65.0000  7.1200e+01  1.6200e+01  0.7120  0.1620
001/00:35:00  70.0000  65.0000  65.0000  3.5600e+01  8.1000e+00  0.7120  0.1620
001/00:40:00  70.0000  70.0000  70.0000  3.5600e+01  8.1000e+00  0.7120  0.1620
001/00:45:00  70.0000  70.0000  70.0000  0.0000e+00  0.0000e+00  0.1620  0.7120
001/00:50:00  70.0000  75.0000  75.0000  0.0000e+00  0.0000e+00  0.1620  0.7120
001/00:55:00  70.0000  75.0000  75.0000  -8.1000e+00  -3.5600e+01  0.1620  0.7120
001/01:00:00  70.0000  80.0000  80.0000  -8.1000e+00  -3.5600e+01  0.1620  0.7120
001/01:05:00  70.0000  80.0000  80.0000  -1.6200e+01  -7.1200e+01  0.1620  0.7120
001/01:10:00  70.0000  85.0000  85.0000  -1.6200e+01  -7.1200e+01  0.1620  0.7120
001/01:15:00  70.0000  85.0000  85.0000  -2.4300e+01  -1.0680e+02  0.1620  0.7120
001/01:20:00  70.0000  90.0000  90.0000  -2.4300e+01  -1.0680e+02  0.1620  0.7120
001/01:25:00  70.0000  90.0000  90.0000  -3.2400e+01  -1.4240e+02  0.1620  0.7120
001/01:30:00  70.0000  90.0000  90.0000  -3.2400e+01  -1.4240e+02  0.1620  0.7120
001/01:35:00  70.0000  90.0000  90.0000  -2.1600e+02  -2.1600e+02  1.0800  1.0800
...
001/02:00:00  70.0000  90.0000  90.0000  -2.1600e+02  -2.1600e+02  1.0800  1.0800
                Tair      T1      T2      Q1      Q2      h1      h2
```

TEST5B is similar to TEST5A except that the detailed convection models are used instead of the simple models.

```

signal Tair      t 70.
signal Tsrif     t 50.
signal flow      d 0.0

node node-a air c 1. 70. 70. 70. 100.  Tair Tair
node node-b air c 1. 70. 70. 70. 100.  Tair Tair
node node-1 srf c 1. 50. 90. 50. 10.   .90  Tsrif
node node-2 srf c 1. 50. 90. 50. 10.   .90  Tsrif

element hd_ceil  hcv 2.01 36.9
0.0 0.10 0.33 0.0 0.22 0.33
element hd_wall  hcv 0.74 14.3
0.0 0.19 0.33 0.0 0.19 0.33
element hd_floor hcv 0.62 8.24
0.0 0.22 0.33 0.0 0.10 0.33
element flow cfr 100.

link link-0 afp flow node-a node-b flow
link link-1 cnv hd_ceil  node-1 node-1 link-0 1000. 100.
link link-2 cnv hd_floor node-2 node-b link-0 1000. 100.

```

The VA_e value of 1000 in the cnv link represents a room volume of 1000 ft³ (matching the volumes of node-a and node-b) and a flow area of 1 ft². The flow rate of 100 cfm gives a maximum air velocity of 100 ft/s and 6 air changes per hour. This flow rate in the links matches the flow rate in the element.

Beginning at $T_{air} = 70^\circ\text{F}$ and $T_{srif} = 50^\circ\text{F}$, T_{srif} is incremented by 5°F up to 90°F . The expected loads at the air nodes, given by

$Q = -h \cdot A \cdot \Delta T = -h' \cdot A \cdot (T_{srif} - T_{air})^{1.33}$ where $h' = 0.22$ or 0.10 are:

Tsrif	Q ₁	Q ₂
50.0	118.2	53.7
55.0	80.7	36.7
60.0	47.0	21.4
65.0	18.7	8.5
70.0	0.0	0.0
75.0	-8.5	-18.7
80.0	-21.4	-47.0
85.0	-36.7	-80.7
90.0	-53.7	-118.2

After the flow signal is set, the square root of the jet momentum number is

$$\sqrt{J} = F / \rho \sqrt{gVA_e} = (100 \cdot .075 / 60) / (.075 \cdot \sqrt{32.2 \cdot 1000 \cdot 1}) = 0.009288$$

and the expected loads are

$$Q_c = -h \cdot A \cdot \Delta T = -(2.01 + 36.9 \sqrt{J}) \cdot 10 \cdot (90 - 70) = -470.5 \text{ Btu/h and}$$

$$Q_f = -(0.62 + 8.24 \sqrt{J}) \cdot 10 \cdot (90 - 70) = -139.3 \text{ Btu/h.}$$

TEST5C is a variation of TEST5A in which the cnv links refer to the null node, which causes the effect of air flow rate to be ignored in computing convection coefficients.

```
signal Tair      t 70.
signal Tsrfr     t 50.
signal flow      d 0.0
```

```
node node-a air c 1. 70. 70. 70. 100.  Tair Tair
node node-b air c 1. 70. 70. 70. 100.  Tair Tair
node node-1 srf c 1. 50. 90. 50. 10.   .90  Tsrfr
node node-2 srf c 1. 50. 90. 50. 10.   .90  Tsrfr
```

```
element hs_ceil hcv 1.08 0.0
0.162 0.0 0.0 0.712 0.0 0.0
element hs_wall hcv 1.08 0.0
0.542 0.0 0.0 0.542 0.0 0.0
element hs_floor hcv 1.08 0.0
0.712 0.0 0.0 0.162 0.0 0.0
element flow cfr 1.0
```

```
link link-0 afp flow node-a node-b flow
link link-1 cnv hs_ceil node-1 node-a null ← null link used
link link-2 cnv hs_floor node-2 node-b null
```

...

TEST6A checks the operation of the luminaire performance curves. By varying the air temperature, the luminaire temperature is changed. All light is absorbed by the "Walls" surface so that the cooling load for that surface equals the light emitted from the luminaire. Similarly, the load at the "Ballast" surface equals the power into the ballast.

signal air-temp t 50.
 signal switch d 1.0

node RoomAir air c 1. 50. 130. 50. 100. air-temp air-temp
 node Housing mas v 1. 50. 140. 50. 10. 0.1 0.2 .90
 node Adb1 lyr c 1. 50. 130. 50. 10. air-temp
 node Walls srf v 1. 50. 140. 50. 10. .90
 node Adb2 lyr c 1. 50. 130. 50. 10. air-temp
 node Luminaire eqp v 1. 50. 141. 50.

element tube	lmp	48.0	3200.	372.	1.57	0.90	0.64	.2	11
	0.0	0.661		0.022					
	20.0	0.672		0.068					(Ref: IES Lighting Handbook,
	40.0	0.704		0.165					Ref Volume, 1984, Fig 8-34)
	60.0	0.818		0.476					
	70.0	0.894		0.701					
	80.0	0.971		0.865					
	90.0	0.999		0.960					
	100.0	0.965		0.995					
	120.0	0.858		0.850					
	140.0	0.721		0.697					
	215.0	0.000		0.000					

link light lum tube 2 Luminaire 5.
 switch .15 Ballast 1
 Walls 1.0
 link ballast knd 5.0 Ballast Adb1
 link walls knd 5.0 Walls Adb2
 link tubes hcc 5.0 Luminaire RoomAir

times 1 120

report test6a.rpt 6 360
 node RoomAir T i %8.3f
 node Luminaire T i %8.3f
 link light Q i %9.3f
 node RoomAir Q i %9.3f
 node Adb1 Q i %9.3f
 node Adb2 Q i %9.3f

display 3 360
 node RoomAir Q i %9.3f
 node Luminaire T i %8.3f
 node Ballast T i %8.3f

* end of data

Contents of the DEF:

001/00:00:00
 001/01:00:00 air-temp 55.
 001/02:00:00 air-temp 60.
 001/03:00:00 air-temp 65.
 001/04:00:00 air-temp 70.
 001/05:00:00 air-temp 75.
 001/06:00:00 air-temp 80.
 001/07:00:00 air-temp 85.
 001/08:00:00 air-temp 90.
 001/09:00:00 air-temp 95.
 001/10:00:00 air-temp 100.
 001/11:00:00 air-temp 105.
 001/12:00:00 air-temp 110.
 001/13:00:00 air-temp 115.
 001/14:00:00 air-temp 120.
 001/15:00:00 air-temp 125.
 001/16:00:00 air-temp 130.
 002/00:00:00

*

The following results were selected from the report file after disappearance of the transients due to temperature change.

001/00:00:00	50.000	50.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
001/00:30:00	50.000	62.618	76.919	-198.103	-39.369	-24.987
001/01:30:00	55.000	67.852	80.510	-201.782	-41.207	-31.724
001/02:30:00	60.000	73.114	84.365	-205.894	-43.180	-38.792
001/03:30:00	65.000	78.499	88.609	-211.934	-45.352	-45.059
001/04:30:00	70.000	83.917	92.560	-218.498	-47.374	-49.955
001/05:30:00	75.000	89.163	95.117	-222.355	-48.683	-53.515
001/06:30:00	80.000	94.156	95.938	-222.244	-49.103	-56.007
001/07:30:00	85.000	98.899	95.127	-218.221	-48.688	-57.678
001/08:30:00	90.000	103.518	93.318	-212.233	-47.762	-58.418
001/09:30:00	95.000	108.150	91.163	-206.451	-46.659	-57.952
001/10:30:00	100.000	112.830	88.888	-201.436	-45.495	-56.367
001/11:30:00	105.000	117.534	86.484	-196.778	-44.264	-54.052
001/12:30:00	110.000	122.231	83.941	-192.030	-42.963	-51.427
001/13:30:00	115.000	126.896	81.256	-186.760	-41.589	-48.909
001/14:30:00	120.000	131.514	78.427	-180.776	-40.140	-46.687
001/15:30:00	125.000	136.094	75.456	-174.177	-38.620	-44.670
001/16:30:00	130.000	140.641	72.346	-167.070	-37.028	-42.756
	air	lamp	lamp	air	ballast	walls
	°F	°F	W	Btu/h	Btu/h	Btu/h

Note: 1 W = 3.4123 Btu/h; 1 Btu/h = 0.2931 W

The sum of the cooling loads should be equal to (minus) the power into the light.

TEST6B checks the transient operation of the luminaire model, in particular the effect of using different time steps. The thermal network consists of the lamps linked radiatively to wall and housing surfaces and room air linked convectively to all surfaces. Nonlinear convection and radiation models are used. Different simulation time steps are used. The summary reports indicate the lighting energy and cooling requirements for each hour. The lights are turned on at 01:00:00.

```
signal air-temp t 50.
signal switch d 0.0
```

```
node Housing mas v 1. 50. 80. 50. 6.283 10. 0.2 .90      6" dia, 10# mass
node Lum_Air air v 1. 50. 100. 50. 0.785                6" dia, 4' long
node Tubes  eqp v 1. 50. 120. 50.
node RoomAir air c 1. 50. 50. 50. 100.  air-temp air-temp
node Walls  mas v 1. 50. 51. 50. 400. 10. 0.2 .90
```

```
element hd_tube hcv 0.0 0.0
0.0 0.19 0.33 0.0 0.19 0.33
```

```
element tube lmp 48.0 3200. 372. 1.57 0.90 0.64 .2 11
  0.0      0.661      0.022
  20.0     0.672      0.068      (Ref: IES Lighting Handbook,
  40.0     0.704      0.165      Ref Volume, 1984, Fig 8-34)
  60.0     0.818      0.476
  70.0     0.894      0.701
  80.0     0.971      0.865
  90.0     0.999      0.960
 100.0     0.965      0.995
 120.0     0.858      0.850
 140.0     0.721      0.697
 215.0     0.000      0.000
```

```
link light lum tube 2 Tubes 5.
switch .15 Housing 2
Housing 0.1
Walls 0.9
```

```
link link-1 cnv hd_tube Housing Lum_Air null
link link-2 cnv hd_tube Tubes Lum_Air null
link link-3 hcc 1.50 Housing RoomAir
link link-4 rad 0.8572 Tubes Housing A1=3.14; A2=6.283
/ sF = 1 / ( (1-.9)/.9 + 1 + 3.14*(1-.9)/(6.28*.9) )
link link-5 hcc 1.00 Walls RoomAir
/ link Link-6 knl 4.0 Housing Tubes
```

```
times 1 240
```

(continued)

```

report test6b.rpt 5 300
link light Q i *9.3f
node RoomAir Q i *9.3f
node Luminaire T i *8.3f
node Housing T i *8.3f
node Walls T i *8.3f

```

```

report test6b.sum 2 3600
link light Q s *9.3f
node RoomAir Q s *9.3f

```

```

display 3 300
node RoomAir Q i *12.4f
node Luminaire T i *8.3f
node Housing T i *8.3f

```

* end of data

Results:

10 second time step

001/00:59:00	0.000	-0.000	50.000	50.000	50.000
001/01:00:00	69.609	-0.000	50.000	50.000	50.000
001/01:01:00	75.159	-73.223	61.722	59.749	50.072
001/01:02:00	81.868	-133.862	71.162	63.400	50.138
001/01:03:00	87.702	-186.824	78.447	66.407	50.194
001/01:04:00	92.122	-228.160	84.082	68.768	50.234
001/01:05:00	94.581	-259.286	88.360	70.513	50.263
001/01:06:00	95.619	-281.776	91.457	71.725	50.283
001/01:07:00	95.920	-297.329	93.597	72.532	50.297
001/01:08:00	95.915	-307.702	95.022	73.055	50.306
001/01:09:00	95.821	-314.434	95.945	73.387	50.312
001/01:10:00	95.725	-318.722	96.532	73.595	50.316
001/01:11:00	95.651	-321.422	96.902	73.725	50.318
001/01:12:00	95.599	-323.110	97.133	73.806	50.320
001/01:13:00	95.565	-324.162	97.277	73.856	50.320
001/01:14:00	95.544	-324.815	97.367	73.887	50.321
001/01:15:00	95.530	-325.221	97.423	73.906	50.321
001/01:16:00	95.521	-325.473	97.457	73.918	50.322
001/01:17:00	95.516	-325.628	97.478	73.926	50.322
001/01:18:00	95.512	-325.725	97.492	73.930	50.322
001/01:19:00	95.510	-325.785	97.500	73.933	50.322
001/01:20:00	95.509	-325.822	97.505	73.935	50.322
...					
001/02:00:00	95.507	-325.882	97.513	73.938	50.322
001/01:00:00	0.097	0.000			
001/02:00:00	94.554	-308.770			
001/03:00:00	95.506	-325.881			

60 second time step

001/00:59:00	0.000	0.000	50.000	50.000	50.000
001/01:00:00	69.609	-31.166	50.000	55.573	50.022
001/01:01:00	69.609	-62.345	62.834	59.353	50.062
001/01:02:00	77.063	-131.548	72.410	62.982	50.121
001/01:03:00	83.832	-185.860	79.715	66.104	50.180
001/01:04:00	89.561	-228.850	85.117	68.586	50.226
001/01:05:00	93.283	-260.905	89.228	70.447	50.258
001/01:06:00	95.139	-284.379	92.298	71.778	50.281
001/01:07:00	95.832	-300.793	94.429	72.673	50.297
001/01:08:00	95.933	-311.533	95.795	73.234	50.308
001/01:09:00	95.824	-318.079	96.604	73.564	50.314
001/01:10:00	95.698	-321.809	97.050	73.746	50.318
001/01:11:00	95.610	-323.818	97.282	73.841	50.320
001/01:12:00	95.560	-324.856	97.400	73.890	50.321
001/01:13:00	95.533	-325.378	97.458	73.914	50.321
001/01:14:00	95.520	-325.637	97.486	73.926	50.322
001/01:15:00	95.513	-325.763	97.500	73.932	50.322
001/01:16:00	95.510	-325.825	97.507	73.935	50.322
001/01:17:00	95.508	-325.854	97.510	73.936	50.322
001/01:18:00	95.507	-325.869	97.512	73.937	50.322
001/01:19:00	95.507	-325.876	97.512	73.937	50.322
001/01:20:00	95.507	-325.879	97.513	73.938	50.322
...					
001/02:00:00	95.507	-325.882	97.513	73.938	50.322
001/01:00:00	0.580	-0.260	summary		
001/02:00:00	94.240	-309.147			
001/03:00:00	95.507	-325.882			

300 second time step

001/00:55:00	0.000	0.000	50.000	50.000	50.000
001/01:00:00	69.609	-120.616	85.698	65.490	50.147
001/01:05:00	93.605	-287.547	94.491	72.098	50.282
001/01:10:00	95.931	-318.365	97.039	73.652	50.314
001/01:15:00	95.613	-324.756	97.451	73.900	50.321
001/01:20:00	95.521	-325.732	97.505	73.933	50.322
001/01:25:00	95.509	-325.863	97.512	73.937	50.322
001/01:30:00	95.507	-325.880	97.513	73.938	50.322
001/01:35:00	95.507	-325.882	97.513	73.938	50.322
001/01:40:00	95.507	-325.882	97.513	73.938	50.322
001/01:00:00	2.900	-5.026	summary		
001/02:00:00	94.315	-313.400			
001/03:00:00	95.507	-325.882			

These results indicate that the choice of time step has very little difference on the modeling of luminaire performance. This test should probably be performed on each piece of equipment to insure that an appropriate time step is being used.

TEST6C is a test of the generic equipment model and the DEF signal controls.
The computed loads relate directly to the equipment capacities.

```
signal air-temp t 70.  
signal switch d 1.0
```

```
node RoomAir1 air c 1. 70. 70. 70. 1000. air-temp air-temp  
node Equip1 eqp v 1. 70. 77. 70.  
node RoomAir2 air c 1. 70. 70. 70. 1000. air-temp air-temp  
node Equip2 eqp v 1. 70. 77. 70.
```

```
element WithMass eqp 100. 5.0 0.90 20.0 0.2  
element Massless eqp 100. 5.0 0.90 20.0 0.0
```

```
link eqp1 eqp WithMass 2 Equip1 switch  
link fan1 hcc 10.0 Equip1 RoomAir1  
link eqp2 eqp Massless 1 Equip2 switch  
link fan2 hcc 10.0 Equip2 RoomAir2
```

```
times 1 120
```

```
report test6c.rpt 4 120  
node Equip1 T i %8.3f  
node RoomAir1 Q i %9.3f  
node Equip2 T i %8.3f  
node RoomAir2 Q i %9.3f
```

```
display 4 120  
node Equip1 T i %8.3f  
node RoomAir1 Q i %9.3f  
node Equip2 T i %8.3f  
node RoomAir2 Q i %9.3f
```

```
* end of data
```

```
Contents of DEF:
```

```
001/00:00:00  
001/00:30:00 switch 1.0  
001/01:00:00 switch 0.5  
001/01:30:00 switch 1.0  
001/02:30:00 switch 0.0  
002/00:00:00
```


TEST6D is a test of the modeling of nonlinear effects in a case involving very fast transients. Testing at different time steps indicates the largest time step necessary to get an accurate solution. This model of a 100 watt light bulb indicates the smallest time step necessary to model thermal equipment.

```
signal air-temp t 77.
signal switch d 0.0

node RoomAir air c 1. 75. 79. 77. 10. air-temp air-temp
node Bulb eqp v 1. 75. 380. 77.
node Surface mas v 1. 75. 79. 77. 1000. 0.01 0.20 0.9

element 100Wbulb eqp 100. 0.213 0.90 0.06 0.2
element hcsphere hcv 0 0
0.118 0.785 0.25 0.118 0.786 0.25

link eqp1 eqp 100Wbulb 1 Bulb switch
link convec cnv hcsphere Bulb RoomAir null
link radnt rad 0.8981 Bulb Surface
link hcs hcc 1.0 Surface RoomAir

times 1 60

report test6d.rpt 3 60
node Bulb T i %8.3f
node RoomAir Q i %9.3f
node Surface T i %8.3f

report test6d.sum 1 60
node RoomAir Q s %9.3f

display 2 60
node Bulb T i %8.3f
node RoomAir Q i %9.3f

* end of data
```

TEST7A checks the simple air flow calculation procedure. This case consists of a specified air flow from a cold to a warm room creating an easily computed heating load. The interaction of DEF with the control signals is checked.

signal Cold t 50.
signal Room t 68.
signal Flow d 1.0

node node-1 air c 1. 32. 50. 50. 1000. Cold Cold
node node-2 air c 1. 68. 70. 68. 1000. Room Room

element 100cfm cfr 100.

link link-1 afp 100cfm node-1 node-2 Flow

times 1 3600

report test7a.rpt 3 3600

link link-1 F i %12.5e

node node-1 Q i %12.5e

node node-2 Q i %12.5e

display 2 3600

node node-1 Q i %12.5e

node node-2 Q i %12.5e

* end of data

BVF:

0

001/00:00:00

001/06:00:00

DEF:

001/00:00:00

001/02:00:00 Flow 0.5

001/03:00:00 Cold 32.0

001/04:00:00 Flow 1.0

001/04:00:00 Cold 50.0

001/05:00:00 Room 70.0

002/00:00:00

Results:

001/00:00:00 1.0000e+02 0.0000e+00 0.0000e+00

001/01:00:00 1.0000e+02 0.0000e+00 1.9443e+03

001/02:00:00 5.0000e+01 0.0000e+00 9.7216e+02

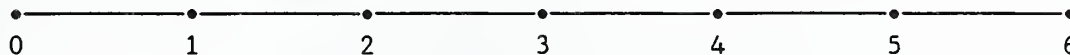
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TEST7B shows what can happen if the simple air flow calculation is used to simulate transient flow in a duct. It consists of seven air nodes connected in series by six airflow paths. Each node contains 100 ft³ of air, and the air flow rate is 100 ft³/min. The air node is assumed to represent a fully mixed volume of air.



```
signal Tset t 0.0
signal Flow d 1.0
```

```
node node-0 air c 1. 0.0 1.0 0.0 100. Tset Tset
node node-1 air v 1. 0.0 1.0 0.0 100.
node node-2 air v 1. 0.0 1.0 0.0 100.
node node-3 air v 1. 0.0 1.0 0.0 100.
node node-4 air v 1. 0.0 1.0 0.0 100.
node node-5 air v 1. 0.0 1.0 0.0 100.
node node-6 air v 1. 0.0 1.0 0.0 100.
```

```
element flow cfr 100.
```

```
link link-01 afp flow node-0 node-1 Flow
link link-12 afp flow node-1 node-2 Flow
link link-23 afp flow node-2 node-3 Flow
link link-34 afp flow node-3 node-4 Flow
link link-45 afp flow node-4 node-5 Flow
link link-56 afp flow node-5 node-6 Flow
```

...

Consider the case of "plug flow" in a duct, i.e., there is no mixing in the direction of flow. In this case a temperature pulse entering at the upstream end of the duct will propagate along the duct without changing shape. This condition is achieved in the model presented above when the time step exactly matches the time for one air change in each air node, or one minute. The results for such a case are:

```
001/00:00:00 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000
001/00:01:00 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000
001/00:02:00 1.000 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000
001/00:03:00 1.000 0.998 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000
001/00:04:00 1.000 1.000 0.996 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000
001/00:05:00 1.000 1.000 1.000 0.993 0.000 0.000 0.000
001/00:06:00 1.000 1.000 1.000 1.000 0.991 0.000 0.000
001/00:07:00 1.000 1.000 1.000 1.000 1.000 0.989 0.000
001/00:08:00 1.000 1.000 1.000 1.000 1.000 1.000 0.987
001/00:09:00 1.000 1.000 1.000 1.000 1.000 1.000 1.000
001/00:10:00 1.000 1.000 1.000 1.000 1.000 1.000 1.000
...
001/00:15:00 1.000 1.000 1.000 1.000 1.000 1.000 1.000
```

However, when the time step is reduced to 30 seconds or increased to two minutes, the step change in temperature is diffused as it propagates through the duct. This is an inherent property of this solution method and is called "numerical diffusion" as opposed to any real diffusion which might occur.

time step = 30 seconds:

001/00:00:00	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
...							
001/00:02:00	1.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
001/00:02:30	1.000	0.499	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
001/00:03:00	1.000	0.749	0.249	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
001/00:03:30	1.000	0.874	0.498	0.124	0.000	0.000	0.000
001/00:04:00	1.000	0.937	0.686	0.311	0.062	0.000	0.000
001/00:04:30	1.000	0.968	0.811	0.498	0.186	0.031	0.000
001/00:05:00	1.000	0.984	0.890	0.654	0.342	0.108	0.015
001/00:05:30	1.000	0.992	0.937	0.772	0.498	0.225	0.062
001/00:06:00	1.000	0.996	0.964	0.854	0.634	0.361	0.143
001/00:06:30	1.000	0.998	0.980	0.909	0.744	0.497	0.252
001/00:07:00	1.000	0.999	0.989	0.945	0.826	0.620	0.374
001/00:07:30	1.000	1.00	0.994	0.967	0.885	0.723	0.497
001/00:08:00	1.000	1.00	0.997	0.980	0.926	0.804	0.610
001/00:08:30	1.000	1.00	0.998	0.989	0.953	0.865	0.707
001/00:09:00	1.000	1.00	0.999	0.993	0.971	0.909	0.786
001/00:09:30	1.000	1.00	0.999	0.996	0.982	0.940	0.847
001/00:10:00	1.000	1.00	1.00	0.998	0.989	0.961	0.893
001/00:10:30	1.000	1.00	1.00	0.999	0.993	0.975	0.927
001/00:11:00	1.000	1.00	1.00	0.999	0.996	0.984	0.951
001/00:11:30	1.000	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.998	0.990	0.968
001/00:12:00	1.000	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.999	0.994	0.979
001/00:12:30	1.000	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.999	0.996	0.986
001/00:13:00	1.000	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.998	0.991
001/00:13:30	1.000	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.999	0.995
001/00:14:00	1.000	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.999	0.997
001/00:14:30	1.000	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.998
001/00:15:00	1.000	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.999

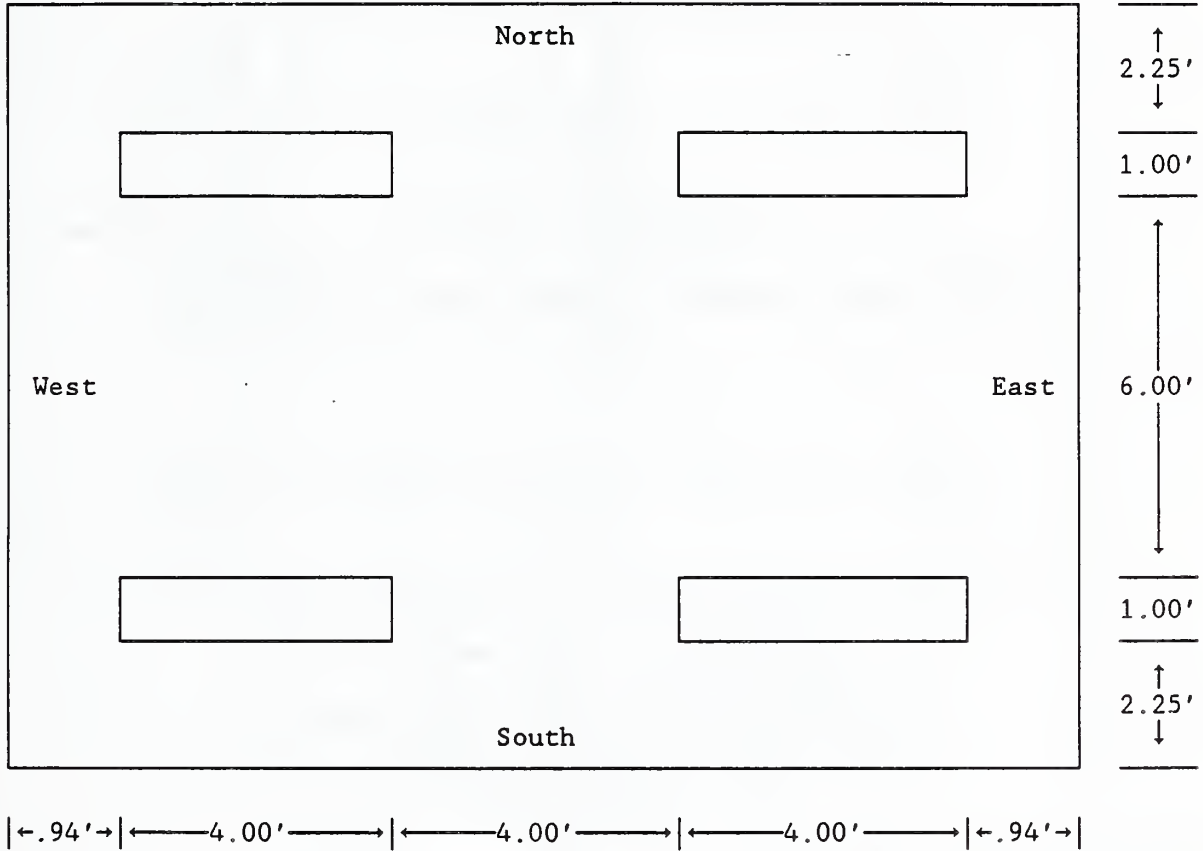
time step = 120 seconds:

001/00:00:00	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
001/00:02:00	1.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
001/00:04:00	1.000	0.666	0.444	0.296	0.197	0.131	0.087
001/00:06:00	1.000	0.889	0.740	0.592	0.460	0.350	0.262
001/00:08:00	1.000	0.963	0.888	0.789	0.679	0.570	0.467
001/00:10:00	1.000	0.988	0.954	0.899	0.826	0.740	0.649
001/00:12:00	1.000	0.996	0.982	0.954	0.912	0.854	0.786
001/00:14:00	1.000	0.999	0.993	0.980	0.957	0.923	0.877

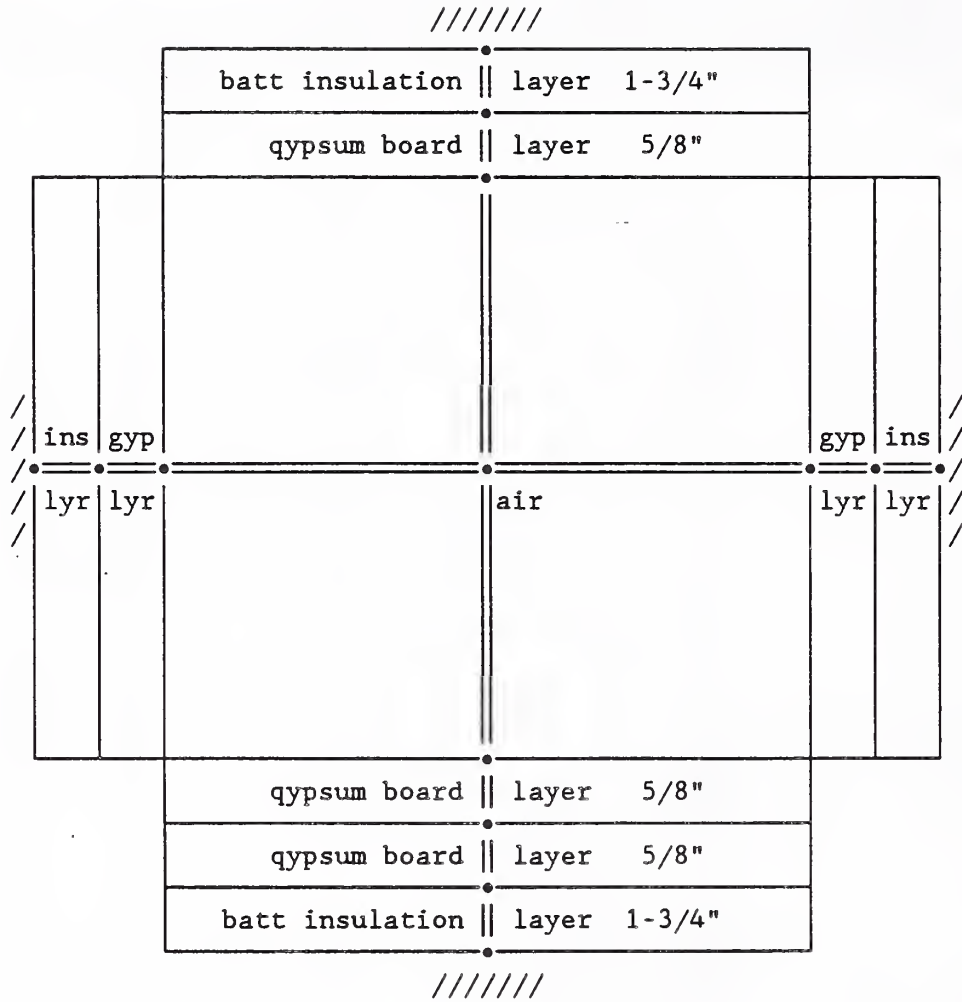
These results indicate that a different solution procedure must be used to model transient flows in ducts. Fortunately, it should be relatively straight forward to develop a method which employs a moving grid system taking advantage of features of the C language.

APPENDIX C: Experimental Test

The NIST Test Room is rectangular room 13'10½" long by 12'3" wide with a suspended ceiling 8' high. Above the ceiling is a 2'6" high plenum. There are four luminaires mounted in the ceiling. The following sketch (not to scale) shows the layout of the luminaires.

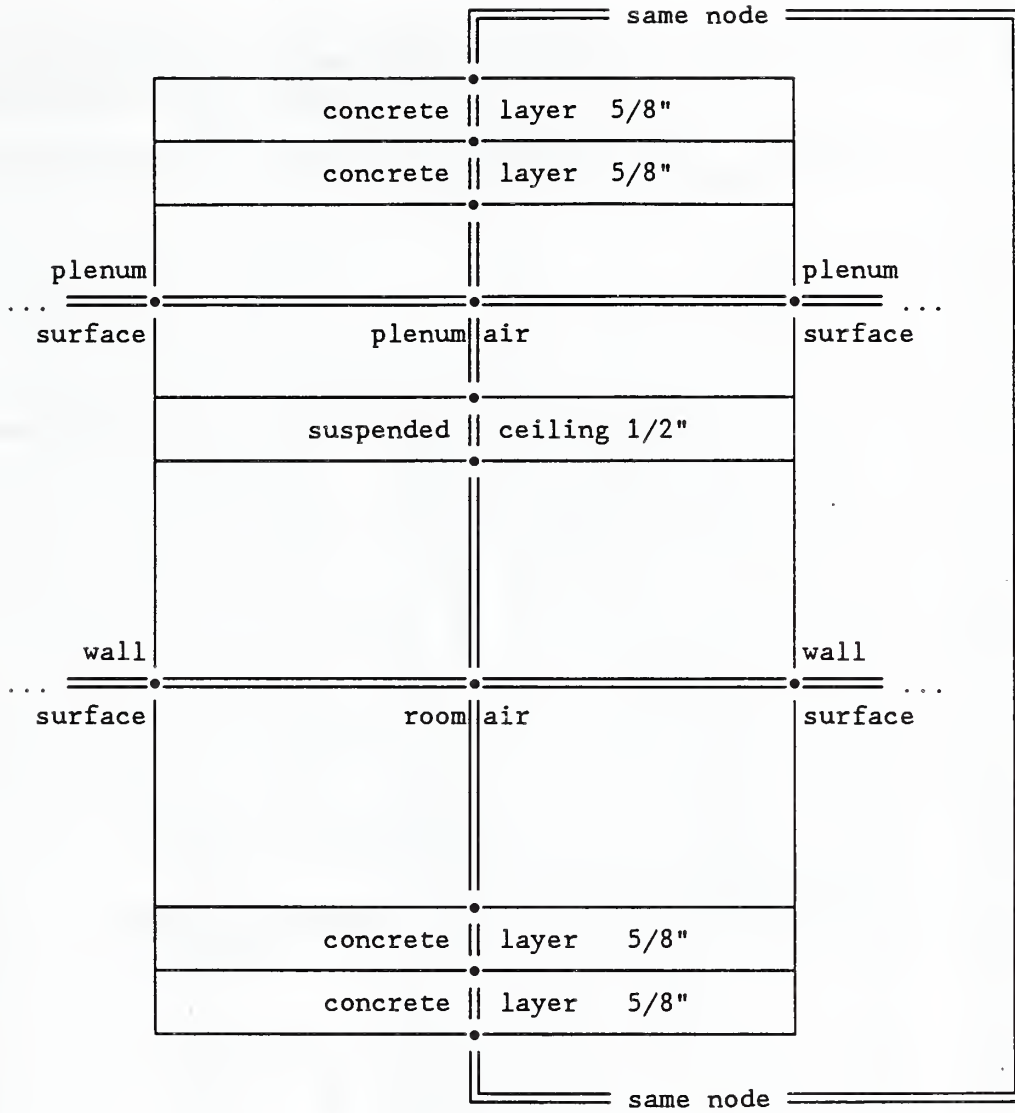


Walls model:

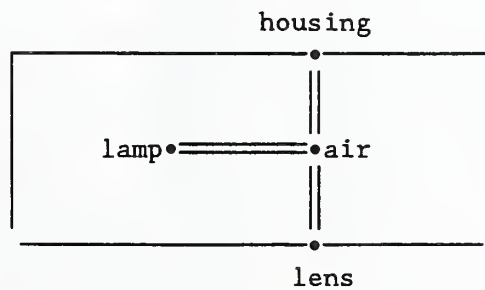


Radiant interchange links between all surfaces are not shown.

Floors and Ceilings:



Luminaire Model:



Data Files:

These features of the NIST test room are described in the following NDF file. This file illustrates that complex simulations require longer data files.

```
/*subfile: testitb.ndf *****/  
Simulation of idealized model of NIST test room
```

```
signal RoomTemp      t 73.75  
signal flow          d 1.0  
signal switch        d 0.0  
  
node UnderSide srf v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 169.97 0.90  
node S-Plenum srf v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 34.69 0.90  
node S-Plen-2 lyr v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 34.69  
node S-Plen-1 lyr v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 34.69  
node S-Plen-0 lyr v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 34.69  
node W-Plenum srf v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 30.63 0.90  
node W-Plen-1 lyr v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 30.63  
node W-Plen-0 lyr v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 30.63  
node N-Plenum srf v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 34.69 0.90  
node N-Plen-1 lyr v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 34.69  
node N-Plen-0 lyr v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 34.69  
node E-Plenum srf v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 30.63 0.90  
node E-Plen-1 lyr v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 30.63  
node E-Plen-0 lyr v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 30.63  
node PlenumSC srf v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 153.97 0.90  
node Steel mas v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 200.0 625. 0.12 0.90  
node PlAir air v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 419.6  
node PlLoad air c 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 1000. RoomTemp RoomTemp  
node housing mas v 1. 73.0 90.0 73.75 29.33 64. 0.21 0.90  
node tubes eqp v .8 73.0 120.0 73.75  
node LmAir air v 1. 73.0 95.0 73.75 5.33  
node AcrLens mas v 1. 73.0 80.0 73.75 16.0 5.4 0.2 0.90  
node SspCeil srf v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 153.97 0.90  
node S-Wall srf v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 111.00 0.90  
node S-Wall-2 lyr v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 111.00  
node S-Wall-1 lyr v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 111.00  
node S-Wall-0 lyr v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 111.00  
node W-Wall srf v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 98.00 0.90  
node W-Wall-1 lyr v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 98.00  
node W-Wall-0 lyr v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 98.00  
node N-Wall srf v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 111.00 0.90  
node N-Wall-1 lyr v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 111.00  
node N-Wall-0 lyr v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 111.00  
node E-Wall srf v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 98.00 0.90  
node E-Wall-1 lyr v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 98.00  
node E-Wall-0 lyr v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 98.00  
node Floor srf v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 169.97 0.90  
node Floor-4 lyr v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 169.97 0.90  
node Floor-3 lyr v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 169.97 0.90  
node Floor-2 lyr v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 169.97 0.90  
node Floor-1 lyr v 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 169.97 0.90  
node RmAir air c 1. 73.0 77.0 73.75 1360.0 RoomTemp RoomTemp
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```

element DryWall    mat  0.0521 0.093 50.0 0.26 0.0
element FiberGlass mat  0.146  0.026 0.53 0.2  0.0
element Concrete   mat  0.0521 1.0   140. 0.22 0.0
element Carpet     mat  0.0728 0.035 40.  0.2  0.0
element AccTile    mat  0.0417 0.035 23.  0.2  0.0
element hpl_ceil   hcv 0.16 8.0
0.0 0.10 0.33 0.0 0.22 0.33
element hpl_wall   hcv 0.54 8.0
0.0 0.19 0.33 0.0 0.19 0.33
element hpl_floor  hcv 0.71 8.0
0.0 0.22 0.33 0.0 0.10 0.33
element hpl_hous   hcv 1.40 8.0
0.0 0.22 0.33 0.0 0.10 0.33
element hlm_hous   hcv 0.0 0.0
0.0 0.10 0.33 0.0 0.22 0.33
element hlm_tube   hcv 0.0 0.0
0.0 0.19 0.33 0.0 0.19 0.33
element hlm_lens   hcv 0.0 0.0
0.0 0.22 0.33 0.0 0.10 0.33
element hrm_ceil   hcv 2.01 36.9
0.0 0.10 0.33 0.0 0.22 0.33
element hrm_wall   hcv 0.74 14.3
0.0 0.19 0.33 0.0 0.19 0.33
element hrm_floor  hcv 0.62 8.24
0.0 0.22 0.33 0.0 0.10 0.33
element tube       lmp  48.0 3200. 372. 1.57 0.90 0.64 .2 11
    0.0          0.661      0.022
    20.0         0.672      0.068      (Ref: IES Lighting Handbook,
    40.0         0.704      0.165      Ref Volume, 1984, Fig 8-34)
    60.0         0.818      0.476
    70.0         0.894      0.701
    80.0         0.971      0.865
    90.0         0.999      0.960
    100.0        0.965      0.995
    120.0        0.858      0.850
    140.0        0.721      0.697
    215.0        0.000      0.000
element flow-tot   cfr 200.      flow: plenum - load
element flow-rp    cfr 200.      flow: room - plenum
element flow-rl    cfr 000.      flow: room - luminaire - plenum

link Flow-rp      afp  flow-rp      RmAir   PlAir   flow
link Flow-rl      afp  flow-rl      RmAir   LmAir   flow
link Flow-lp      afp  flow-rl      LmAir   PlAir   flow
link Flow-pl      afp  flow-tot     PlAir   PlLoad  flow
link S-Plen-2     cnd  DryWall     S-Plenum S-Plen-2
link S-Plen-1     cnd  DryWall     S-Plen-2 S-Plen-1
link S-Plen-0     cnd  FiberGlass  S-Plen-1 S-Plen-0
link W-Plen-1     cnd  DryWall     W-Plenum W-Plen-1
link W-Plen-0     cnd  FiberGlass  W-Plen-1 W-Plen-0
link N-Plen-1     cnd  DryWall     N-Plenum N-Plen-1
link N-Plen-0     cnd  FiberGlass  N-Plen-1 N-Plen-0
link E-Plen-1     cnd  DryWall     E-Plenum E-Plen-1

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link E-Plen-0 cnd FiberGlass E-Plen-1 E-Plen-0
link Ceiling cnd AccTile PlenumSC SspCeil
link Undsid-c cnv hpl_ceil UnderSide PlAir Flow-pl 420. 200.
link S-Plen-c cnv hpl_wall S-Plenum PlAir Flow-pl 420. 200.
link W-Plen-c cnv hpl_wall W-Plenum PlAir Flow-pl 420. 200.
link N-Plen-c cnv hpl_wall N-Plenum PlAir Flow-pl 420. 200.
link E-Plen-c cnv hpl_wall E-Plenum PlAir Flow-pl 420. 200.
link C-Plen-c cnv hpl_floor PlenumSC PlAir Flow-pl 420. 200.
link H-Plen-c cnv hpl_hous housing PlAir Flow-pl 420. 200.
link Steel-c cnv hpl_wall Steel PlAir Flow-pl 420. 200.

```

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link PlenRad vfm 8 data for plenum geometry
UnderSide area: 169.9688
.000000 .066438 .055097 .068282 .054832 .367727 .046498 .341126
S-Plenum area: 34.6875
.325547 .000000 .063638 .019546 .063338 .300087 .058326 .169518
W-Plenum area: 30.6250
.305786 .072080 .000000 .073309 .008029 .303667 .051566 .185562
N-Plenum area: 34.6875
.334582 .019546 .064723 .000000 .064525 .310398 .053571 .152655
E-Plenum area: 30.6250
.304319 .071740 .008029 .073084 .000000 .303338 .051649 .187842
PlenumSC area: 153.9688
.405940 .067606 .060401 .069929 .060335 .000000 .040425 .295364
housing area: 29.3200
.269552 .069003 .053862 .063378 .053947 .212284 .002752 .275222
Steel area: 200.0000
.289903 .029401 .028414 .026476 .028763 .227384 .040348 .329311

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link Luminaire lum tube 8 tubes 9.0
switch .17 housing 8
tubes 0.0296
housing 0.0734
Floor 0.493
SspCeil 0.0269
E-Wall 0.0925
S-Wall 0.0965
W-Wall 0.0959
N-Wall 0.0922

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```

link Lamphs-c cnv hlm_hous housing LmAir null
link Lamptb-c cnv hlm_tube tubes LmAir null
link Lampln-c cnv hlm_lens AcrLens LmAir null
link LumCond1 knl 4.0 housing PlenumSC
link LumCond2 knl 4.0 housing SspCeil
link LumCond3 knl 4.0 housing tubes
link LampRad vfm 3 data for 2 tube luminaire
AcrLens area: 1.0000 * 16
.000000 .709451 .290549
housing area: 1.8340 * 16
.386833 .362745 .250422
tubes area: 0.7806 * 16
.372213 .588362 .039426

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link S-Wall-2 cnd DryWall S-Wall S-Wall-2
link S-Wall-1 cnd DryWall S-Wall-2 S-Wall-1

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link S-Wall-0 cnd FiberGlass S-Wall-1 S-Wall-0
link W-Wall-1 cnd DryWall W-Wall W-Wall-1
link W-Wall-0 cnd FiberGlass W-Wall-1 W-Wall-0
link N-Wall-1 cnd DryWall N-Wall N-Wall-1
link N-Wall-0 cnd FiberGlass N-Wall-1 N-Wall-0
link E-Wall-1 cnd DryWall E-Wall E-Wall-1
link E-Wall-0 cnd FiberGlass E-Wall-1 E-Wall-0
link Floor-4 cnd Carpet Floor Floor-4
link Floor-3 cnd Concrete Floor-4 Floor-3
link Floor-2 cnd Concrete Floor-3 Floor-2
link Floor-1 cnd Concrete Floor-2 Floor-1
link Floor-0 cnd Concrete Floor-1 UnderSide
link SspCel-c cnv hrm_ceil SspCeil RmAir Flow-pl 1360. 200.
link AcLens-c cnv hrm_ceil AcrLens RmAir Flow-pl 1360. 200.
link S-Wall-c cnv hrm_wall S-Wall RmAir Flow-pl 1360. 200.
link W-Wall-c cnv hrm_wall W-Wall RmAir Flow-pl 1360. 200.
link N-Wall-c cnv hrm_wall N-Wall RmAir Flow-pl 1360. 200.
link E-Wall-c cnv hrm_wall E-Wall RmAir Flow-pl 1360. 200.
link Floor-c cnv hrm_floor Floor RmAir Flow-pl 1360. 200.

```

```

link RoomRad vfm 7 data for room geometry
Floor area: 169.9688
.000000 .174201 .152542 .174201 .152542 .314427 .032086
S-Wall area: 111.0000
.266746 .000000 .154335 .157839 .154335 .241291 .025455
W-Wall area: 98.0000
.264566 .174808 .000000 .174808 .121254 .238852 .025713
N-Wall area: 111.0000
.266746 .157839 .154335 .000000 .154335 .242618 .024128
E-Wall area: 98.0000
.264566 .174808 .121254 .174808 .000000 .238823 .025742
SspCeil area: 153.9688
.347101 .173953 .152028 .174909 .152009 .000000 .000000
AcrLens area: 16.0000
.340854 .176594 .157495 .167387 .157671 .000000 .000000

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times 3 120 240 720

```

report testitb.rpt 6 240
node RmAir Q i %10.3f
node PlLoad Q i %10.3f
link Luminaire Q i %10.3f
node tubes T i %8.3f
node LmAir T i %8.3f
node PlAir T i %8.3f

```

```

report testitb.sum 3 3600
node RmAir Q s %10.3f
node PlLoad Q s %10.3f
link Luminaire Q s %10.3f

```

```

report testitb.wls 6 240
node Floor-4 T i %8.3f
node UnderSide T i %8.3f
node W-Wall T i %8.3f

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```
node W-Plenum T i %8.3f
node SspCeil T i %8.3f
node PlenumSC T i %8.3f
```

```
display 6 3600
```

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node RmAir Q i %10.3f
node PlLoad Q i %10.3f
link Luminaire Q i %10.3f
node tubes T i %8.3f
node LmAir T i %8.3f
node PlAir T i %8.3f
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* end of data
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0
000/23:00:00
002/00:00:00
*
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/*subfile: testitb.def *****/
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001/00:00:00 flow 1.0
001/00:00:00 switch 1.0
004/00:00:00
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