

Computer Simulations of Enclosed Reflective Airspaces

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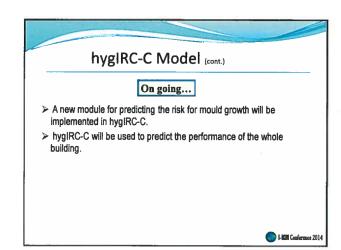
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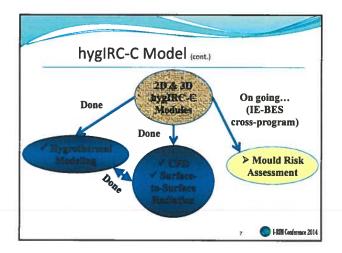
hygIRC-C Model

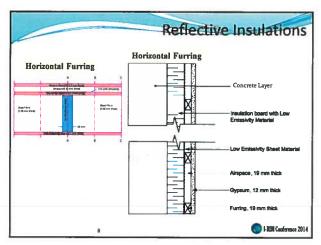
- ✓ Recently developed
- ✓ Solves 2D and 3D time dependent HAM transport equations.
- ✓ Benchmarked against existing hygIRC-2D and experiments
- ✓ Unlike other hygrothermal models, hygIRC-C has the following new features:
 - CFD capability to model drainage cavities, airspaces, cracks, etc... as well as aerodynamics on buildings
 - > Heat transfer by radiation through airspace enclosures of building envelope
 - > Runoff due to wind driven rain on facades
 - ➤ Model Phase Change Materials (PCMs)

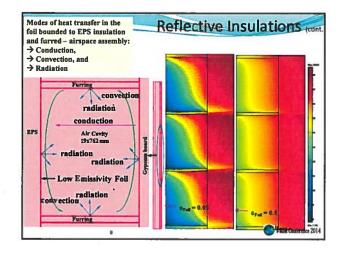
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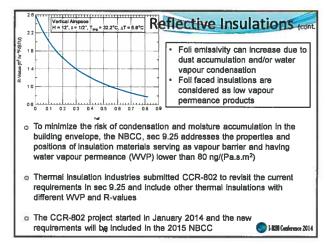
hygIRC-C Model (cont.) Examples of Numerical Simulations Conducted Using 2D and 3D hygIRC-C: 1. hyglRC-C vs hygiRC 2. Wetting and Drying of Cladding Systems 3. Moisture Assessment of Cladding Systems 4. Drying of Ventilated Wall Cavities 5. Evaluating Wall Energy Rating (WER) 6. Thermal Performance of Skylight Devices (ASHRAE -RP1415) 7. Foundation Wall Systems with Furred-Airspace Assembly 8. Insulated Concrete Foam (ICF) Wall systems 9. Wall Systems with Reflective Insulations 10. Performance of Roofing Systems 11. Aerodynamics on Buildings 12. Thermal Performance of EIFS Walls with Drainage Cavities 13. Hygrothermal Performance of Samples Used in Current Mould Experiments 14. Phase Change Materials (PCMs) 1-IXIXI Conference 2014

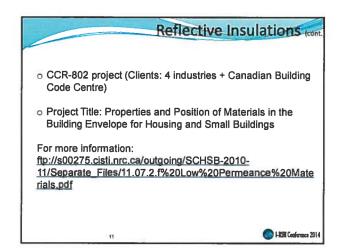


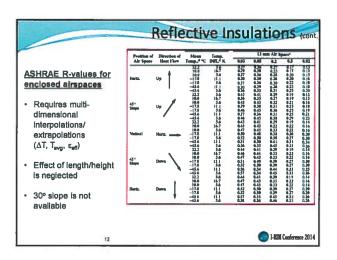


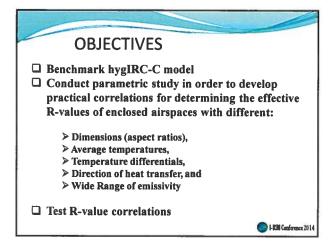


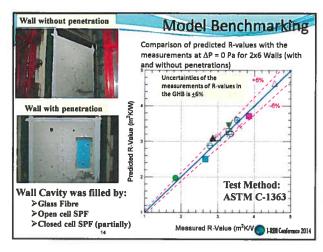


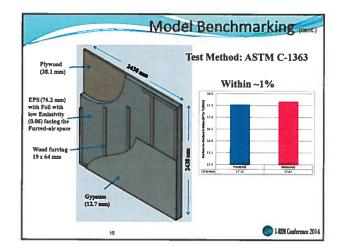


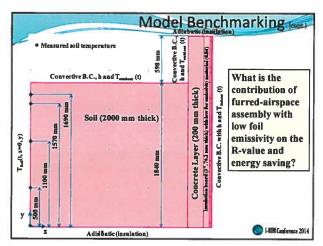


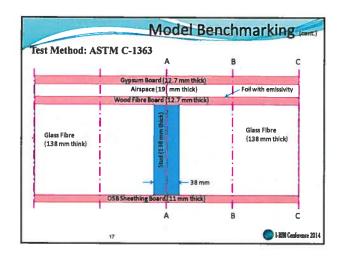


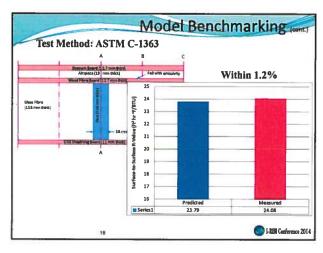


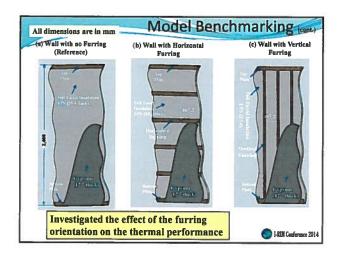


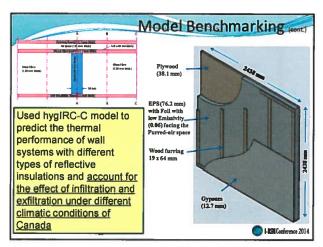


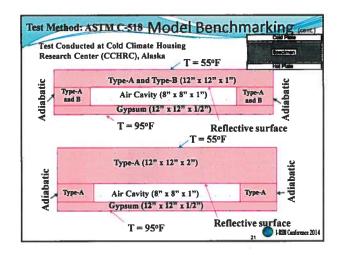


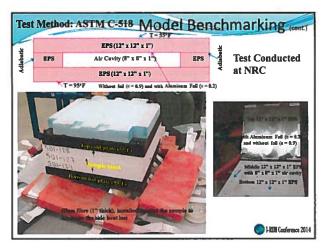


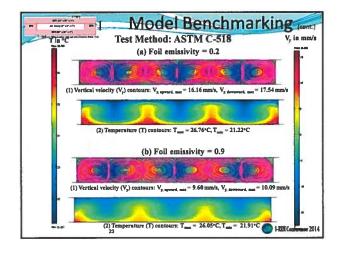


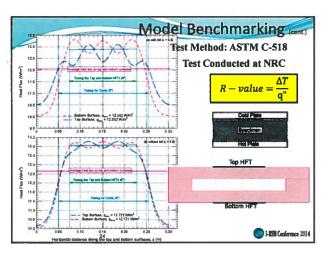


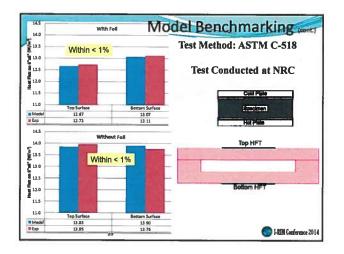


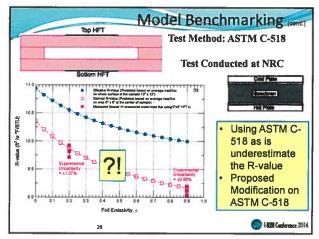


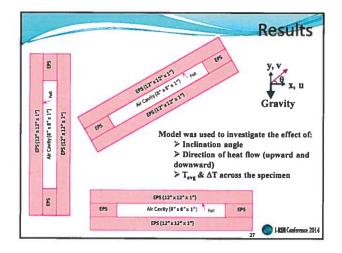


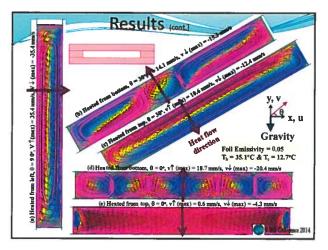


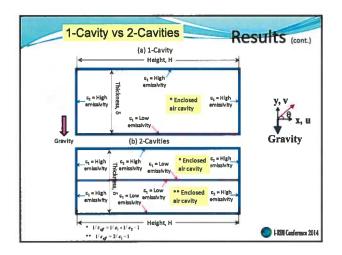


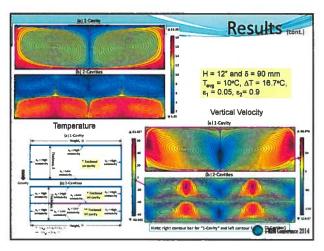


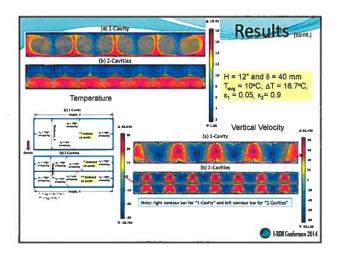


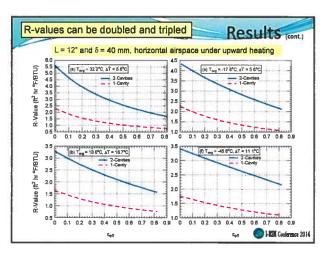


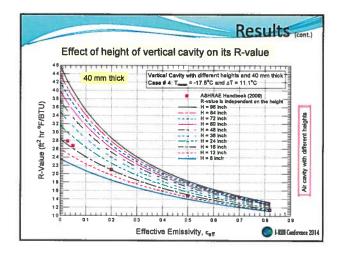


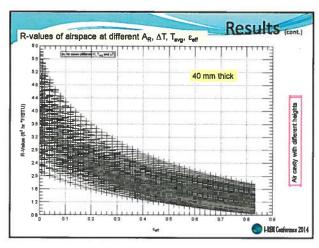


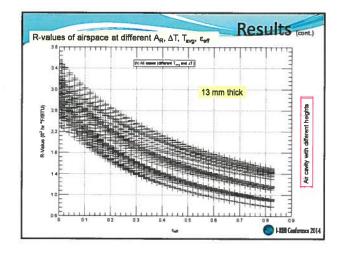


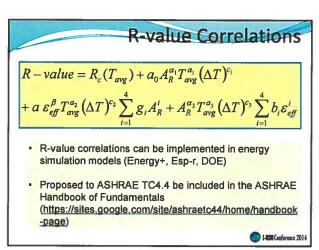


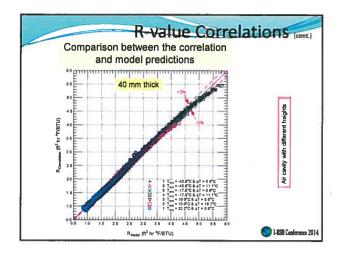


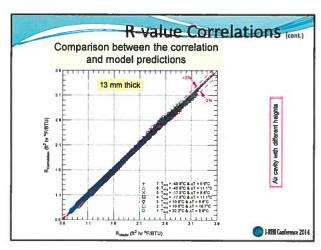


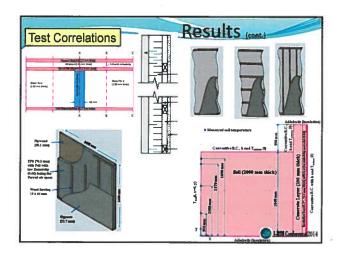












SUMMARY hygIRC-C model was benchmarked against experimental data obtained using ASTM C-1363 and ASTM C-518 Using ASTM C-518 as is resulted in underestimating the Rvalue of reflective insulations ☐ Conducted parametric study in order to develop practical correlations for determining the effective R-values of enclosed airspaces with different: > Dimensions (aspect ratios), Average temperatures, Temperature differentials, Direction of heat transfer, and > Wide Range of emissivity ☐ R-values obtained using the correlations are in good agreement with that predicted using hygIRC-C model R-value correlations are ready to be implemented in energy simulations models (Energy+, Esp-r, DOE) O I-RDI Conference 2014

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