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A utility worker wearing a yellow safety vest and a hard hat with the Ameren logo is working on a power line tower. The worker is looking off to the side, and the background shows other utility workers and power lines.

## Understanding Manual J Load Calculations

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## Energy Code Resources

Missouri Residential Building Energy Code Construction Practices Study:

<https://energy.mo.gov/energy-codes/missouri-residential-building-codes-study>

For additional information on other DOE Field Studies and participating states, please visit <https://www.energycodes.gov/compliance/energy-code-field-studies>.

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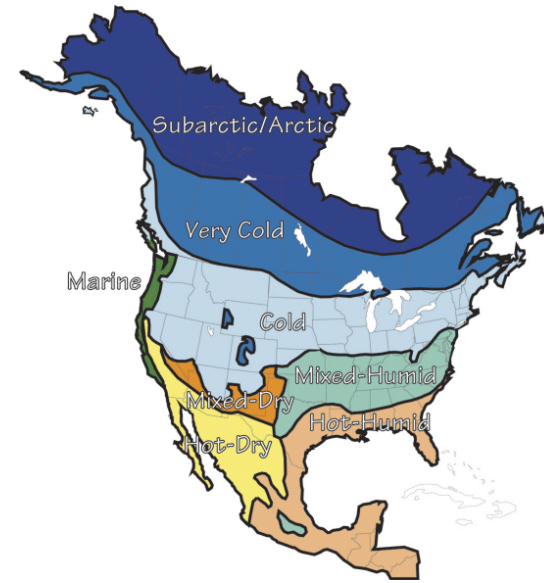
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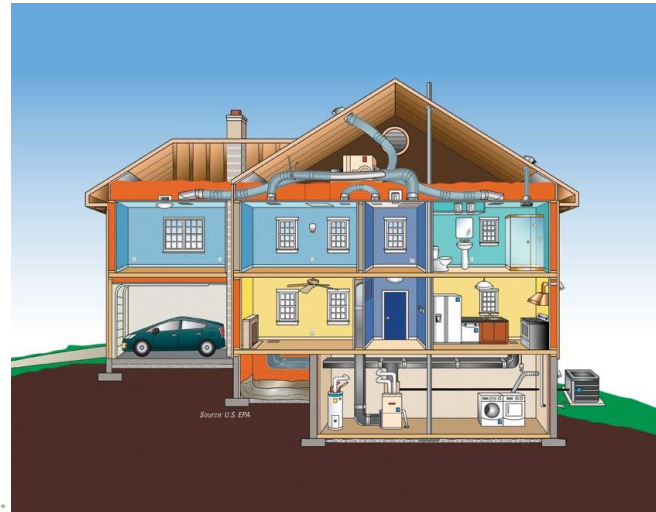
*Building a Regenerative Economy,  
Responsible Resource Use & Social Equity  
Through a Healthy Built Environment for All*

# Why building science?

- Employ scientific principles from a variety of fields that govern building performance
- Optimize building performance and understand, prevent and correct building failures
- Systems approach to houses
- Physics of
  - Heat
  - Air
  - Moisture



All efficiency measures should take occupants into account (e.g., air sealing & ventilation)





# Who Are You?

- Weatherization
- HERS Raters
- Code official
- Designer
- Contractor / Trades
- Utility
- Manufacturers / Product Rep
- Policy / Government
- Building Managers
- Home Inspectors
- Other?

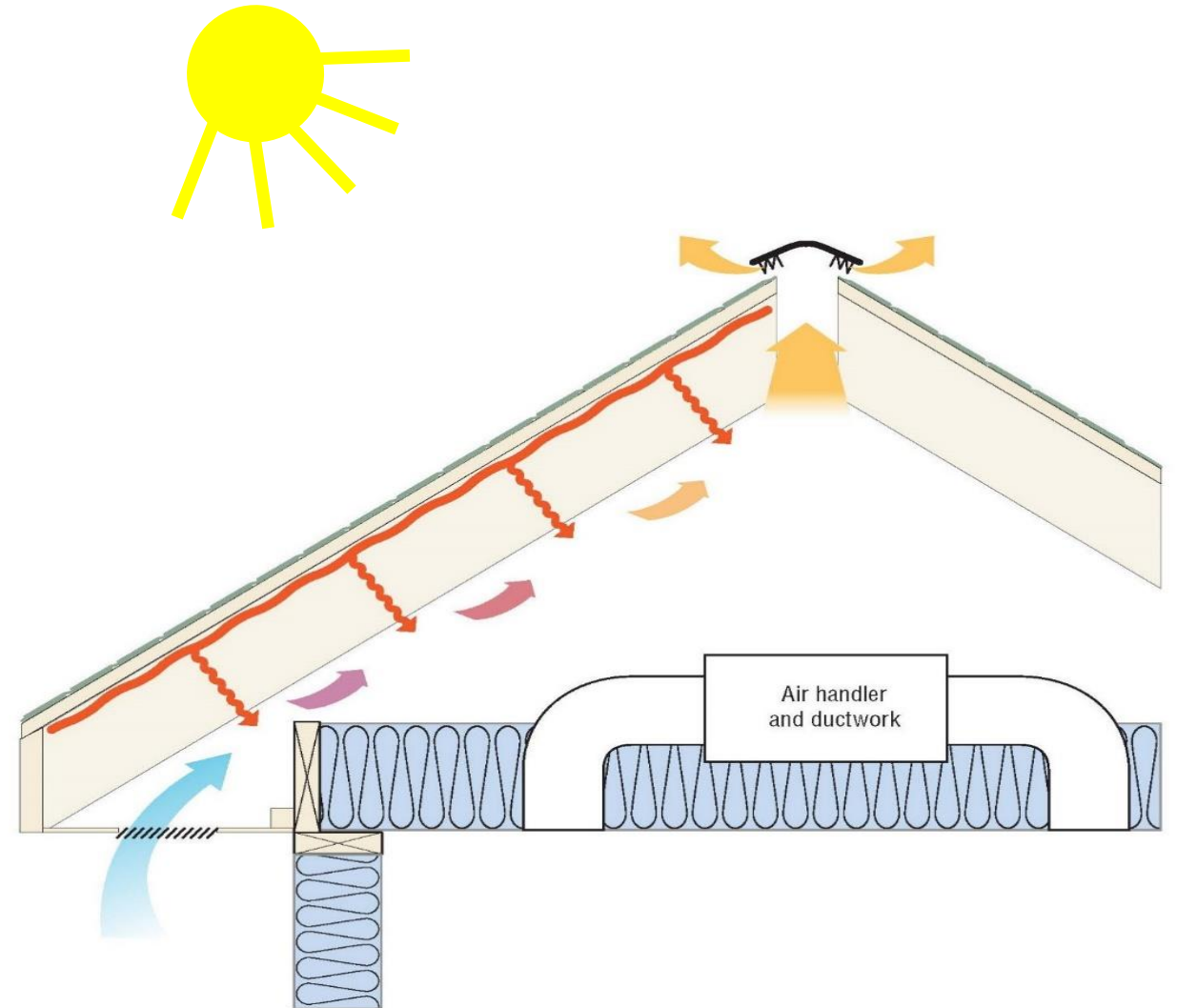


# Learning Objectives

- Identify code requirements regarding sizing, design, and selection of HVAC equipment and ducts
- Explain how the ACCA Manual J calculation standards are used to determine appropriate sizing of HVAC equipment
- Appreciate the consequences an improperly sized HVAC system has on moisture control and the effect excessive moisture has on building durability and occupant comfort and health
- Define sensible and latent heat
- Understand common errors and intentionally incorrect data inputs and see examples of such errors
- See software perform a load calculation

# Building Science: Heat transfer

- Heat is a form of energy
- Heat moves from hot to cold
- 3 methods of heat transfer:
  - **Radiation:**  
Sun to shingles; underside of decking to other attic surfaces
  - **Conduction:**  
Through shingles and decking
  - **Convection:**  
Soffit vents through attic to ridge

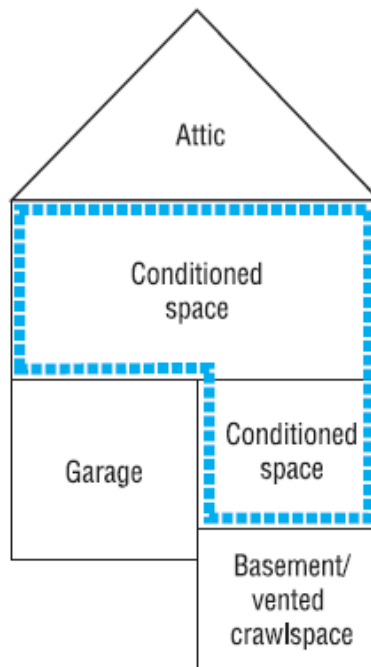




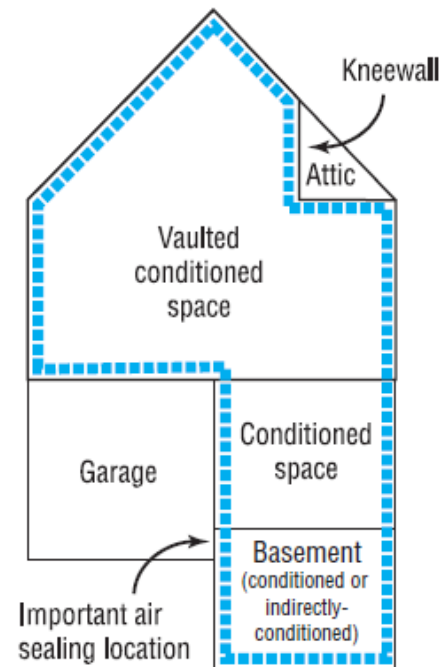
# Building Thermal Envelope

- System and ducts inside building envelope
  - => Big impact on HVAC sizing and performance!

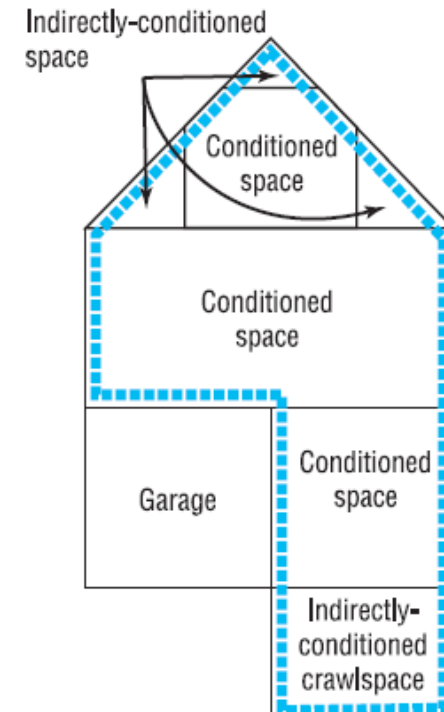
Example 1



Example 2



Example 3



# HVAC 101 – Anatomy of a split System

- Air cooled by the A/C or warmed by the furnace is distributed throughout the home using an air handler
- This is a closed system
- Air is lost through leaks (convection)
- Energy is lost (conduction) through the ducts

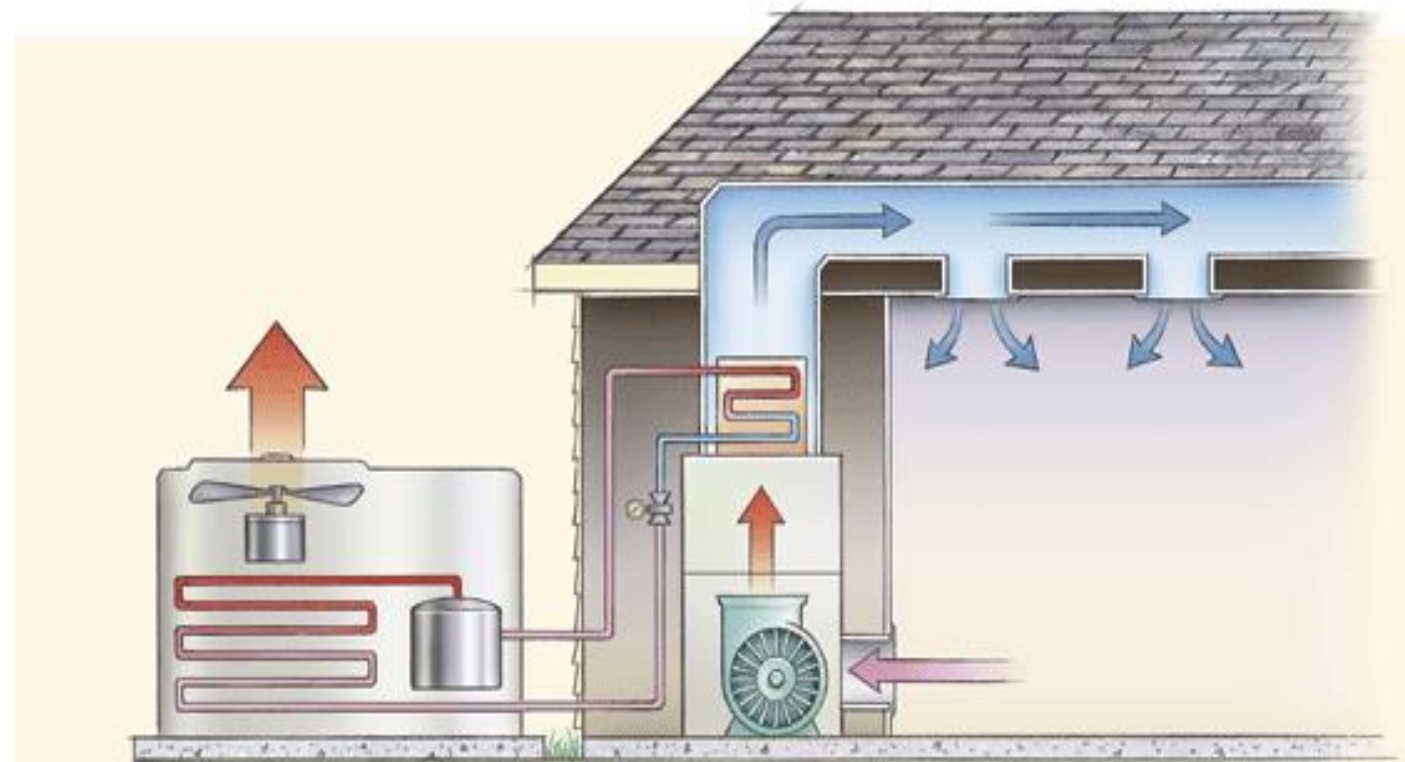


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# HVAC Purpose



- The purpose of the HVAC system is to provide the occupants with a comfortable & healthy living environment
- It does more than just control air temperature
- It also provides moisture control
- Controlling RH is important for comfort, IAQ, and building durability
- Air filtering can be accomplished
- Ventilation may be a part



# How Air Conditioning Removes Moisture



- Warm humid indoor air is blown across a cold coil
- Water vapor in the air condenses on the coil, collects, then exits the home through the condensate line
- This process takes time
- Oversized systems reach the thermostat set point before moisture is removed from home

# Moisture and comfort

- Human Thermal Comfort:
- Humans make poor thermometers
- Our sense of hot or cold is based on the rate heat is leaving or entering our bodies
- This is affected by a variety of factors – not just ambient air temperature
- Since we regulate our body temperature by perspiration, our comfort level is affected by the moisture level in the air around us



# Moisture and comfort

Human indoor comfort is actually a pretty narrow target

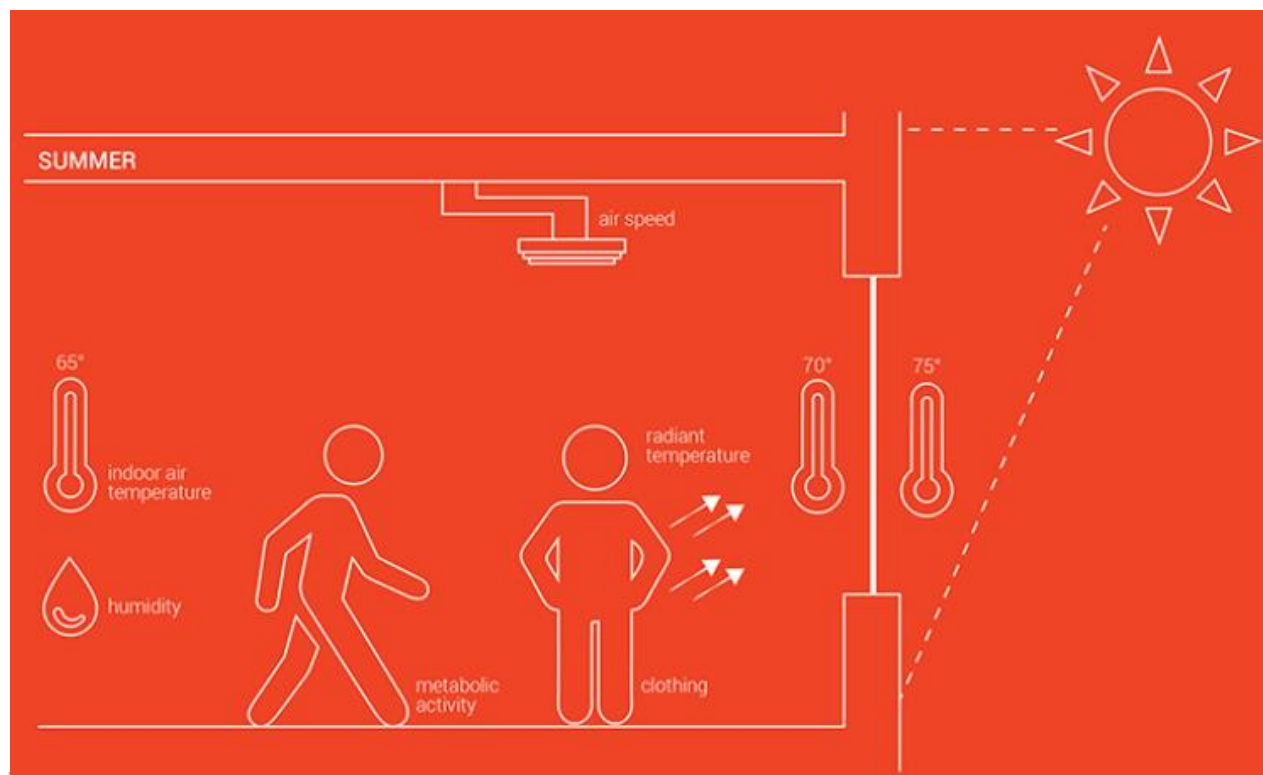
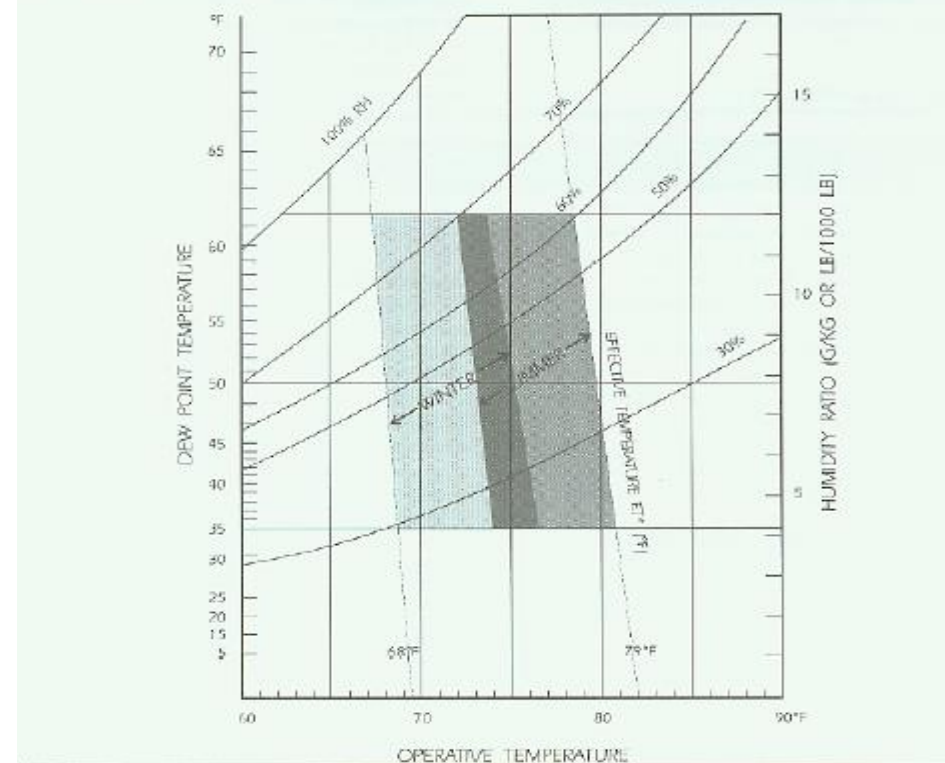


Figure 7-A The ASHRAE Comfort Envelope



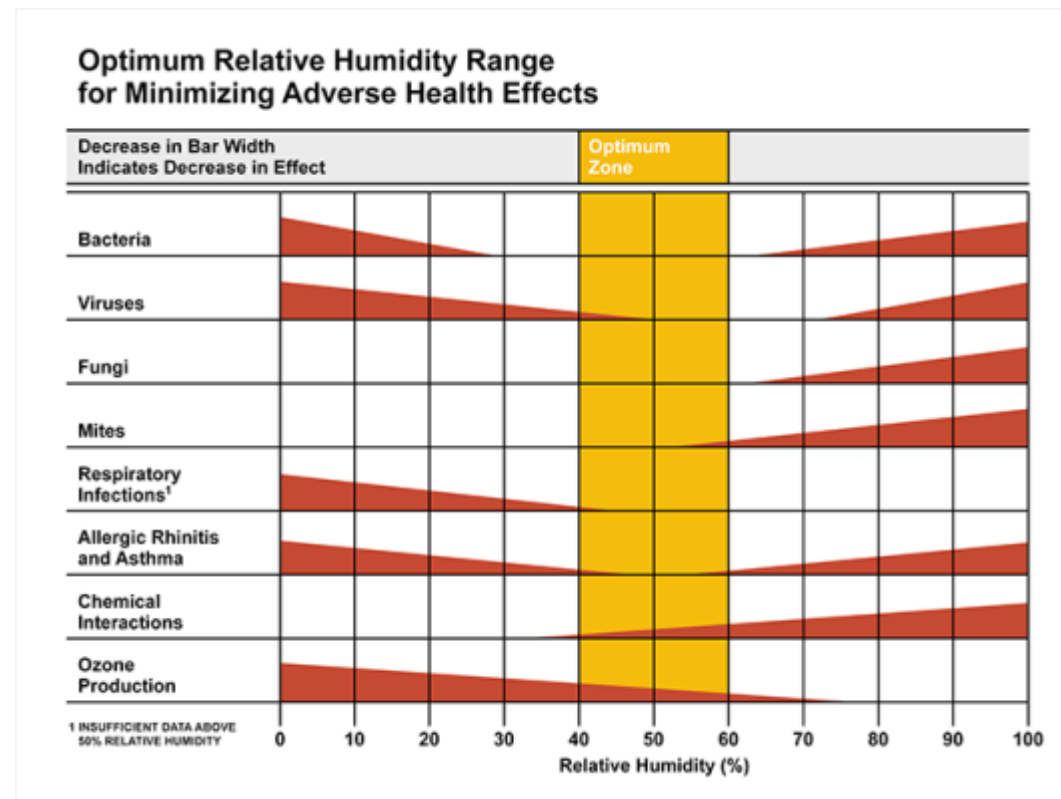
<u>@50% RH, 30 fpm airflow</u>	
Winter	68-74 °F
Summer	73-79 °F



# Moisture and indoor air quality

- Ideal Health & Comfort is ~50% RH at room temperature (~72°F)

- Building decay 100% RH
- Interior Mold RH > 70%
- Dust Mites RH > 50%
- Viruses RH < 40%
- Static electricity, dry sinus RH < 25%



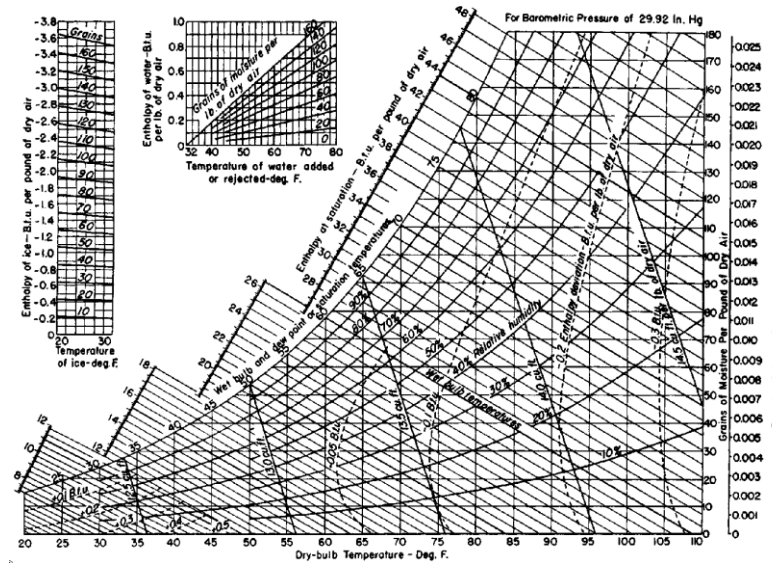
# Types of Cooling Load

Sensible vs. Latent

**Total = Sensible + Latent**

Sensible Load

Latent Load



**SHR = Sensible / Total**

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## Certificate of Product Ratings

AHRI Certified Reference Number: 3251832      Date: 3/9/2011

**Product:** Split System: Air-Cooled Condensing Unit, Coil with Blower  
**Outdoor Unit Model Number:** 24ABB442(A,W)30  
**Indoor Unit Model Number:** CNPH\*4221A\*\*  
**Furnace Model Number:** 58CV(A,X)070-12  
**Manufacturer:** CARRIER AIR CONDITIONING  
**Trade/Brand name:** BASE 14 PURON AC

Manufacturer responsible for the rating of this system combination is CARRIER AIR CONDITIONING

Rated as follows in accordance with AHRI Standard 210/240-2008 for Unitary Air-Conditioning and Air-Source Heat Pump Equipment and subject to verification of rating accuracy by AHRI-sponsored, independent, third party testing:

Cooling Capacity (Btu/h):	39500
EER Rating (Cooling):	12.00
SEER Rating (Cooling):	14.00

# Indoor/Outdoor Coil Match!

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# HVAC and Moisture

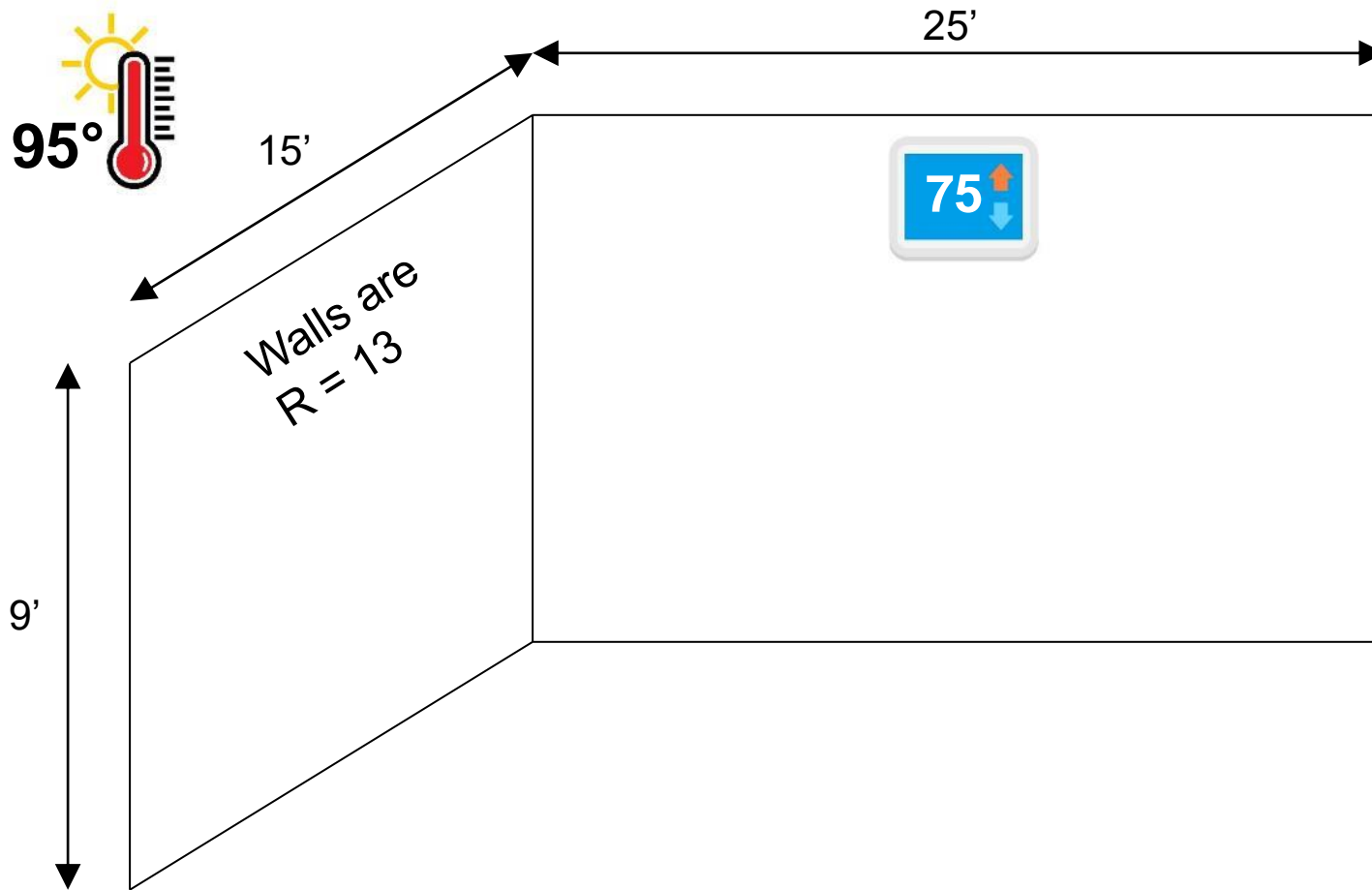
*It's not the heat, it's the humidity*

Atlanta, GA									
Bin Temperature	70-75	75-80	80-85	85-90	90-95	95-100	100-105	105-110	Total
# of Hours of Occurrence	1188	880	620	361	172	23	2	0	3246
	37%	27%	19%	11%	5%	1%	0%	0%	
	<b>83%</b>			<b>17%</b>					
Manual J Design, Load based on Temperature					92°	99 gr/lb			
ASHRAE Humidity Design, Load based on Moisture					82°	133 gr/lb			
Approximate Extra Moisture Added per 100 CFM Of O.S.A.					3.9 pts/hr	or	93.9 pts/day		





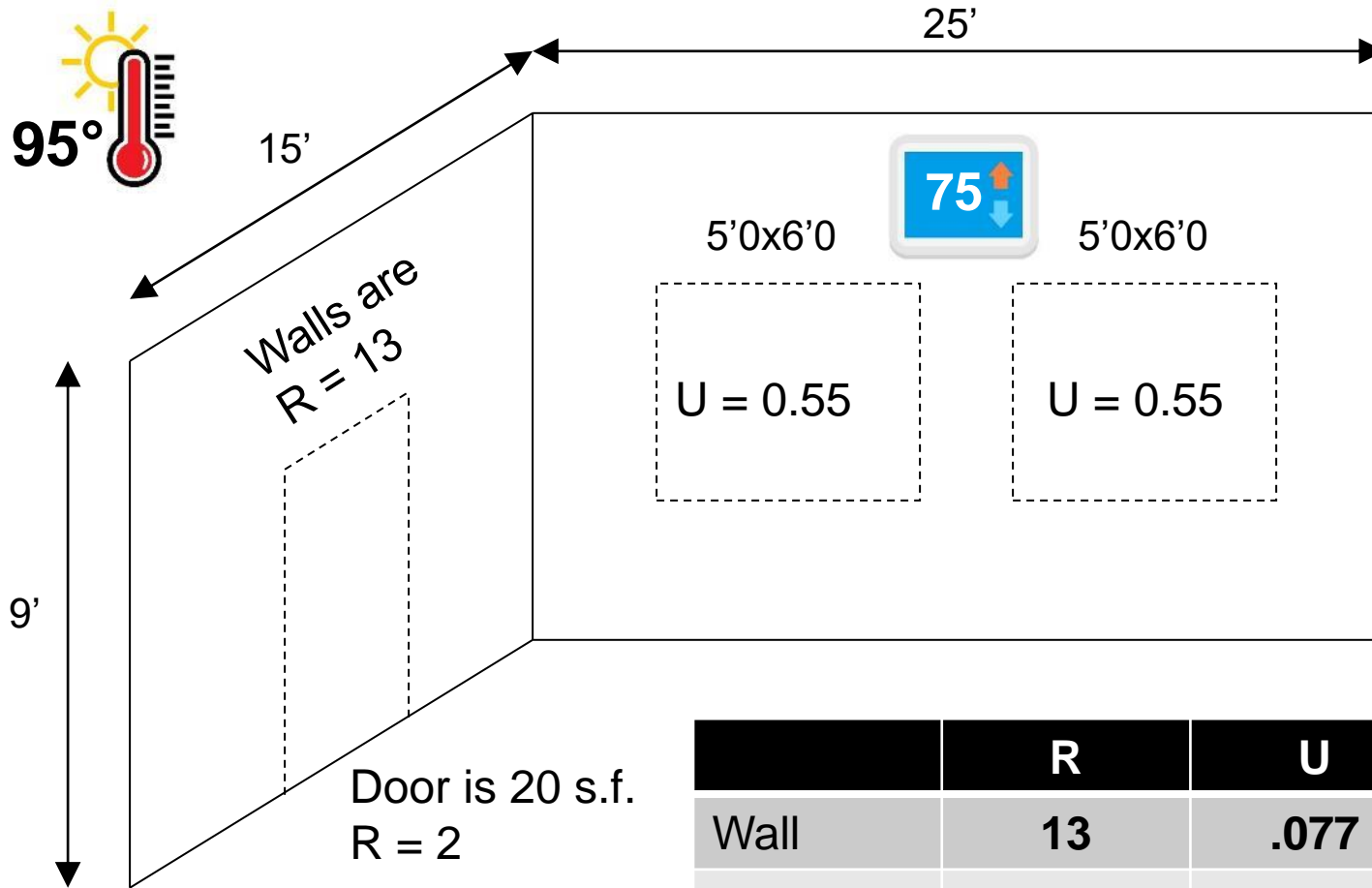
# Solid Wall Area Example



$$(1/13) \times 360 \times 20 = 554 \text{ Btu/h}$$

$$q = U \times A \times \Delta T$$

# Net Wall Area Example



$$(1/13) \times 360 \times 20 = 554$$

$$q = U \times A \times \Delta T$$

	R	U	Area	Delta T	q
Wall	13	.077	280	20	431Btu/hr
Door	2	.5	20	20	200Btu/hr
Window		.55	60	20	660Btu/hr

1291 Btu/hr

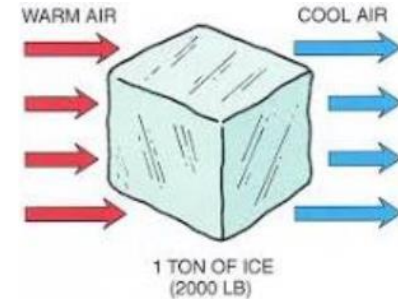
# Equipment Sizing



# HVAC Sizing & Selection Process

- ACCA Manual J & S are the code required methods used to size and select heating & cooling equipment
- Manual J – used to determine heating & cooling loads of home
- Manual S – used to select equipment based upon Manual J

1 ton = 12,000 Btu/hr



Air Conditioning Contractors of America

Man J Total Cooling Load: 28kBtu/h  
(22k is Sensible, 6k is Latent)  
[SHF = 22/28 = 0.79]

Option A: 29 kBtu/h  
(24k is Sensible, 5k is Latent)

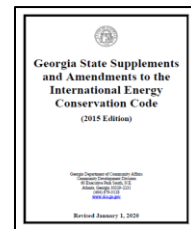
Option B: 35 kBtu/h  
(29k is Sensible, 6k is Latent)

Option C: 29 kBtu/h  
(22k is Sensible, 7k is Latent)

# 403.7 Equipment Sizing –



- Load Calcs & Sizing
  - ACCA Manual J or approved equivalent, i.e., ASHRAE Fundamentals
  - 302.1: Interior design temp (72°F heating, 75°F cooling)
  - **MUST BE ACCURATE**



GA Amendment for Variable Capacity

Right-Suite Residential J8 - [Lanigan-Cape-Cod.rrp: Loads Worksheet]

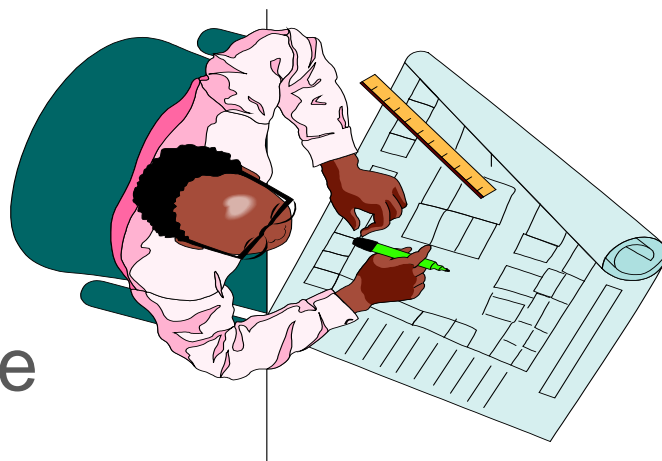
Right-J8 Worksheet		Room name		Entire House		Basement z							
1	Exposed wall	172.0	ft	172.0	ft	172.0	ft						
2	Ceiling height	10.0	d	10.0	p	10.0	p						
3	Room dimensions												
4	Room area	1741.6 ft <sup>2</sup>		1741.6 ft <sup>2</sup>		1741.6 ft <sup>2</sup>							
Ty	Construction number Select any cell then click here	U-value	Or	HTM (Btuh/ft <sup>2</sup> )		Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )		Load (Btuh)		Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )		Load (Btuh)	
				Heat	Cool	Gross	N/P/S	Heat	Cool	Gross	N/P/S	Heat	Cool
6	12C-6bw	0.060	ne	2.820	0.759	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**R403.7 Equipment sizing and efficiency rating (Mandatory).** Heating and cooling equipment shall be sized in accordance with ACCA Manual S based on building loads calculated in accordance with ACCA Manual J or other *approved* heating and cooling calculation methodologies.

“For automatically modulating capacity heating and cooling equipment, the system shall be deemed to comply with appropriate portions of Manual S provided the lowest output capacity of the equipment is less than the peak design load as determined by  
 New or replacement heating and cooling equipment shall have an efficiency rating equal to or greater than the minimum required by federal law for the geographic location where the equipment is installed.

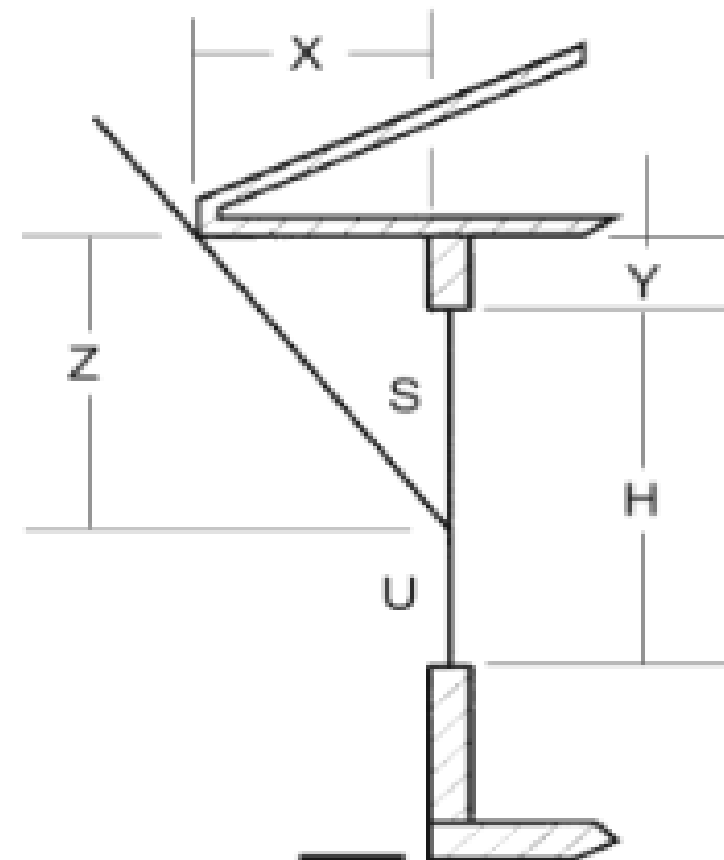
# How Does Manual J work?

- Location
- Orientation
- Envelope
- Duct & envelope tightness
- Internal gains
- Ventilation



ONLY to determine the required insulation levels for MEC, IECC and ASHRAE 90.2 compliance.

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CDH, Base 74F:	<input type="text" value="16803"/>
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ASHRAE W Factor:	<input type="text" value="0.75"/>
Design Heating Temp:	<input type="text" value="24"/>
Design Cooling Temp:	<input type="text" value="92"/>



# Manual J

FORM J1 AF • ABRIDGED VERSION of MANUAL J, 8TH EDITION															
Project		Design State & City		Georgia	Atlanta AP		ACCA			Room--		Room--		Room--	
Indoor Design Heating db		70	Outdoor (Winter) 99% db		23	HTD		47	Room--		Room--		Room--		
Indoor Design Cooling db		75	Outdoor (Summer) 1% db		91	CTD		16	Room--		Room--		Room--		
Indoor Design Cooling RH		50%	Grains Difference		37	Daily Range		Medium	Room--		Room--		Room--		
Latitude			33	Elevation			1010	ACF		0.970	Room--		Room--		
Glass Direction		Construction Detail			Heating HTM	Cooling HTM	Net Area	Heating BTUH	Cooling BTUH	Net Area	BTUH		Net Area	BTUH	
Doors											Heating	Cooling		Heating	Cooling
6A Windows & Glass Doors															
6B Skylights															
7 Wood & Metal Doors		a													
		b													
		c													
8 Above Grade Walls		a													
		b													
		c													
		d													
Partition Walls		e													
		f													
		g													
9 Below Grade Walls		a													
		b													
10 Ceilings		a													
		b													
		c													
Partition Ceilings		d													
		e													
11 Passive Floors		a													
		b													
Exposed Floors		c													
Slab (Perimeter Ft.)		d													
Basement Floor		e													
Partition Floors		f													
		g													
12 Infiltration		Envelope Leakage	Average	Heated & Cooled		Above Grade = Cu. Ft.				WAR	#DIV/0!		WAR	#DIV/0!	
		No. of Fireplaces		Floor Area = Sq. Ft.						#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!
13 Internal Gains		Number of Bedrooms			3	Occupants	4		#VALUE!						
		Appliance - 1200 BTUH							#VALUE!						

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Indoor Design Cooling db		75	Outdoor (Summer) 1% db		91	Room--	
Indoor Design Cooling RH		50%	Grains Difference		37	Room--	
Latitude			33	Elevation			1010
Glass Direction		Construction Detail			Heating HTM	Cooling HTM	Net Area
Doors							
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6B Skylights							
7 Wood & Metal Doors		a					
		b					
		c					
8 Above Grade Walls		a					
		b					
		c					
		d					
Partition Walls		e					
		f					
		g					
9 Below Grade Walls		a					
		b					
10 Ceilings		a					
		b					
		c					
Partition Ceilings		d					
		e					
11 Passive Floors		a					
		b					
Exposed Floors		c					
Slab (Perimeter Ft.)		d					
Basement Floor		e					
Partition Floors		f					
		g					
10 Infiltration		Envelope Leakage	Average	Heated & Cooled		Above Grade = Cu. Ft.	
		No. of Fireplaces		Floor Area = Sq. Ft.			
10 Internal Gains		Number of Bedrooms			3	Occupants	4
		Appliance - 1200 BTUH					

Enter Company Name Here  
 Enter Company Address Here  
 Enter Company City, State and Zip Code Here  
 Enter Company Phone Numbers Here  
 Enter Website or Email Address Here

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# Climate and Energy Efficiency

## Design Temperatures

- Heating, for 99% of the season the outdoor temperature is above this value
- Only 1% of the Cooling season is hotter than this temperature

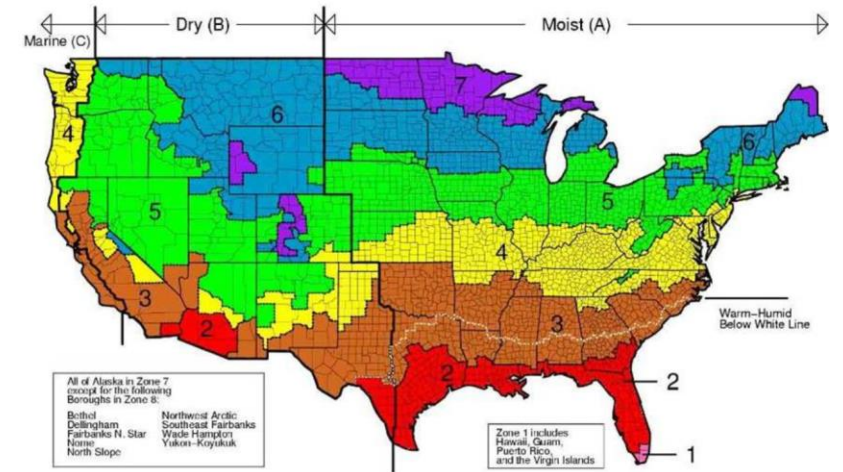
### Design Temp Example

- St. Louis Winter **70** – 14 = 56 F  $\Delta T$
- St. Louis Summer 91 – **75** = 16 F  $\Delta T$

Design Temps	W / S
Atlanta	24/92
St. Louis	14/91
Fairbanks	-40/78
Miami	51/90

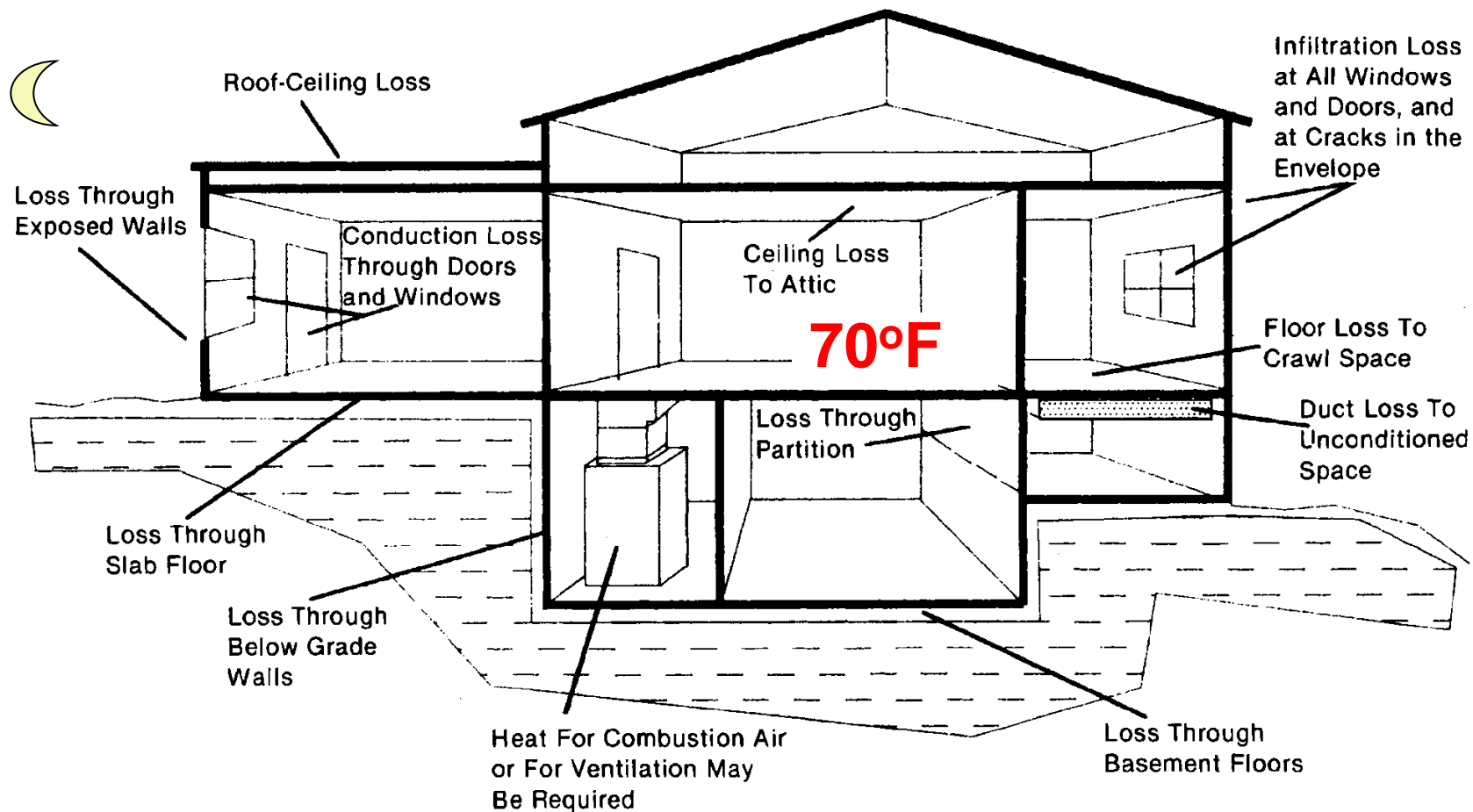
## Load Calcs & Energy Code

- IECC Section 302.1: Interior design temperatures (up to 72°F heating, minimum 75°F cooling)
- “Heating and cooling equipment shall be sized in accordance with Section M1401.3”
- “Heating and cooling equipment shall be sized in accordance with **ACCA Manual S** based on building loads calculated in accordance with **ACCA Manual J** or other approved heating and cooling calculation methodologies.”- 2015/18 IECC R403.7





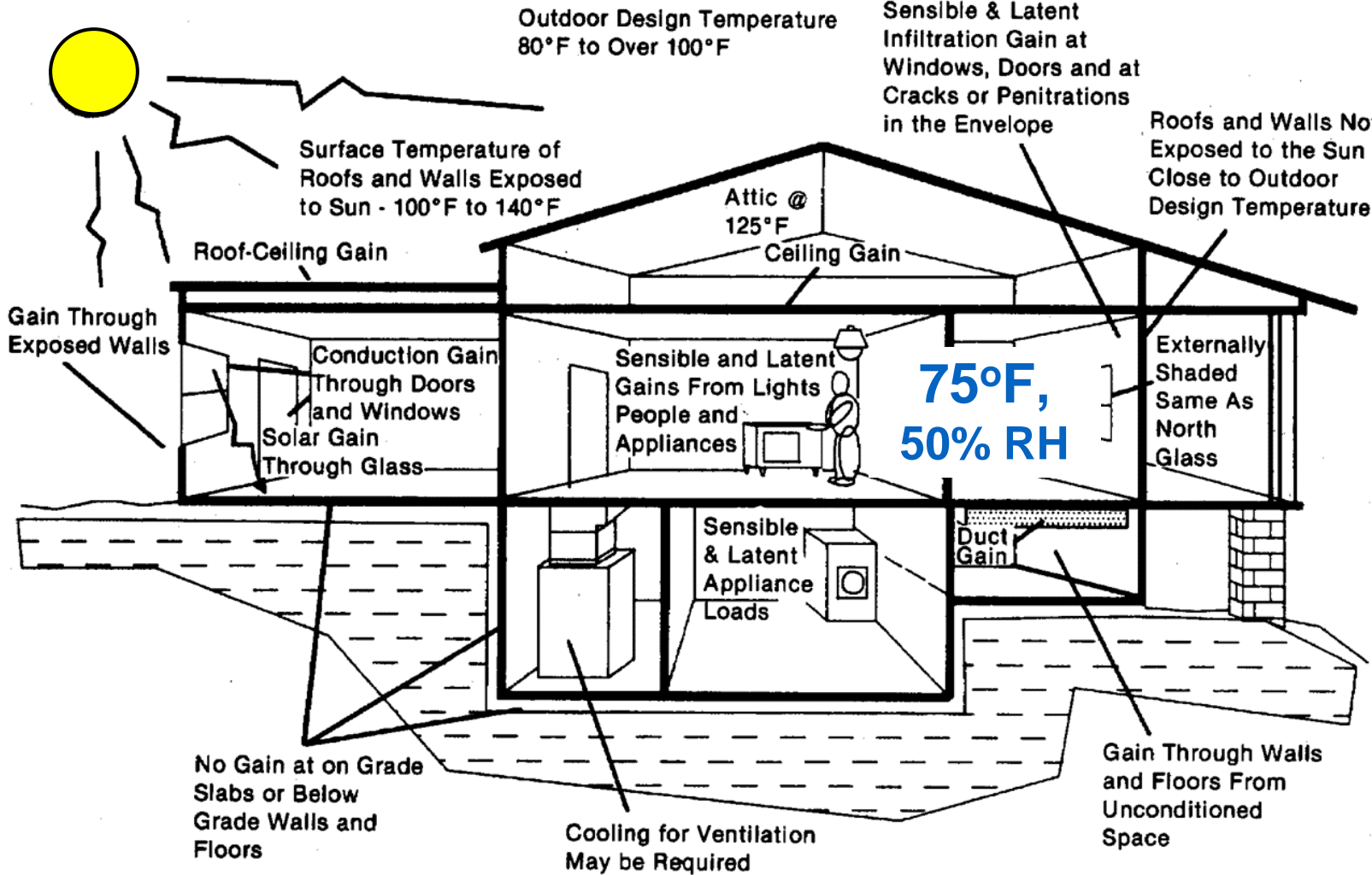
# Manual J - Winter Loads



Winter  
Outdoor  
Design  
Temp

14°F

# Manual J - Summer Loads



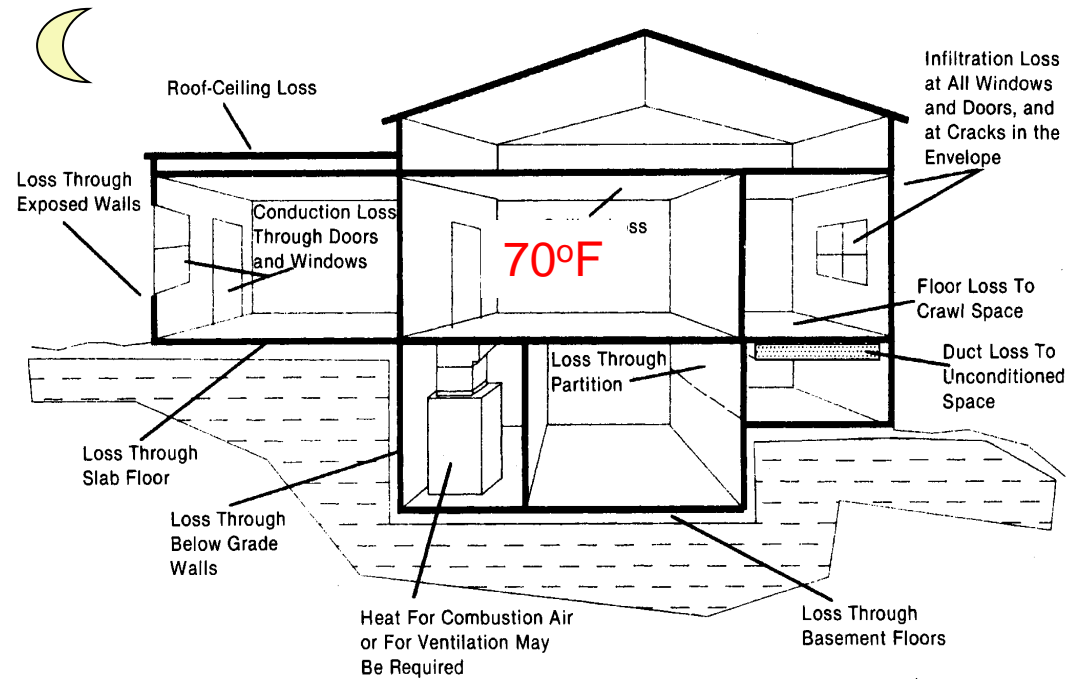
Summer  
Outdoor  
Design  
Temp

91°F

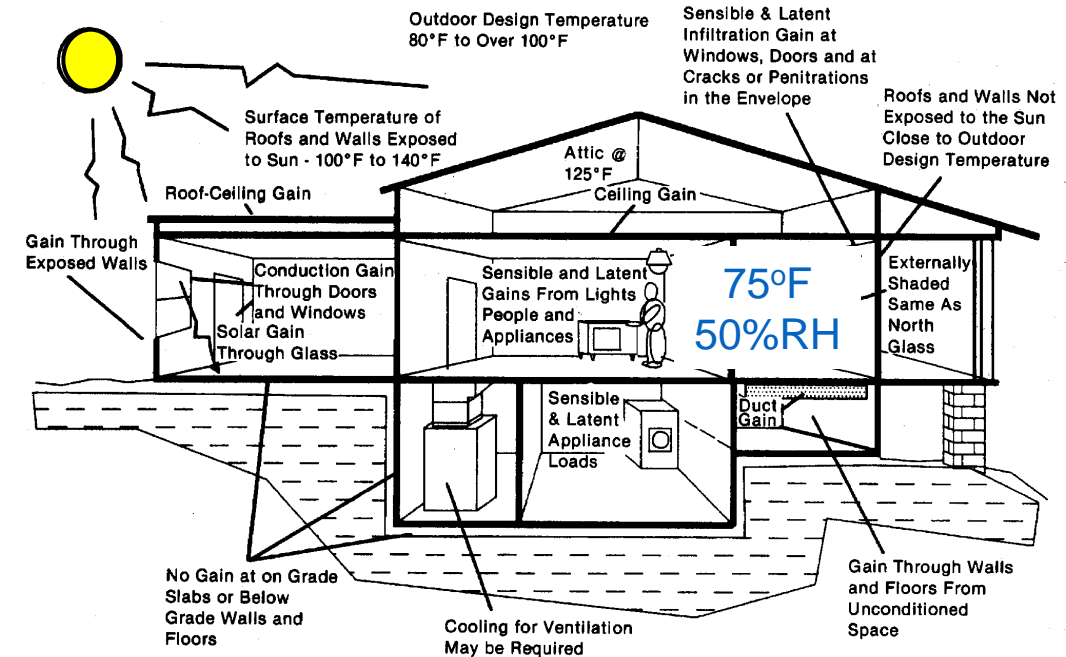
# Manual J – Load Calculations

*Load calcs are required, but there are no details about who is qualified to perform them. Enforcement varies greatly!!*

## Winter Outdoor Design Temp



## Summer Outdoor Design Temp



# Manual J Software

Right-Suite Residential J8 - [Lanigan-Cape-Cod.rrp: Loads Worksheet]

File Edit View Show Drawing Options Window Help

Right-J8 Worksheet

1 Room name Entire House Basement z

2 Exposed wall 172.0 ft 172.0 ft

3 Ceiling height 10.0 d 10.0 p

4 Room dimensions

5 Room area 1741.6 ft² 1741.6 ft²

Ty	Construction number Select any cell then click here	U-value	Or	HTM (Btuh/ft²)		Area (ft²) or perimeter (ft)		Load (Btuh)		Area (ft²) or perimeter (ft)		Load (Btuh)	
				Heat	Cool	Gross	N/P/S	Heat	Cool	Gross	N/P/S	Heat	Cool
6	W 12C-6bw	0.060	ne	2.820	0.759	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	W 15B-0c-6	0.488	ne	13.07	2.996	523	523	6834	1567	523	523	6834	658
	W 12C-6bw	0.060	se	2.820	0.759	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	W 15B-0c-8	0.488	se	8.986	1.498	333	333	2992	499	333	333	2992	343
11	W 12C-6bw	0.060	sw	2.820	0.759	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	W 15B-0c-6	0.488	sw	13.07	2.996	523	523	6834	1567	523	523	6834	1332
	W 12C-6bw	0.060	nw	2.820	0.759	333	209	588	158	333	209	588	132
	G 1D-c2ow	0.550	nw	25.85	34.40	83	0	2157	2871	83	0	2157	6231
	G 10B-w	0.600	nw	28.20	18.13	41	0	1156	743	41	0	1156	1482
	C 16B-28md	0.034	-	1.598	1.770	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	F 22A-vpm	1.180	-	55.46	0.000	330	55	3050	0	330	55	3050	0
	F 21A-28t	0.022	-	1.034	0.000	1411	116	1459	0	1411	116	1459	0
Total room load								32493	9408			32493	12629
Air required (cfm)								467	467			467	627

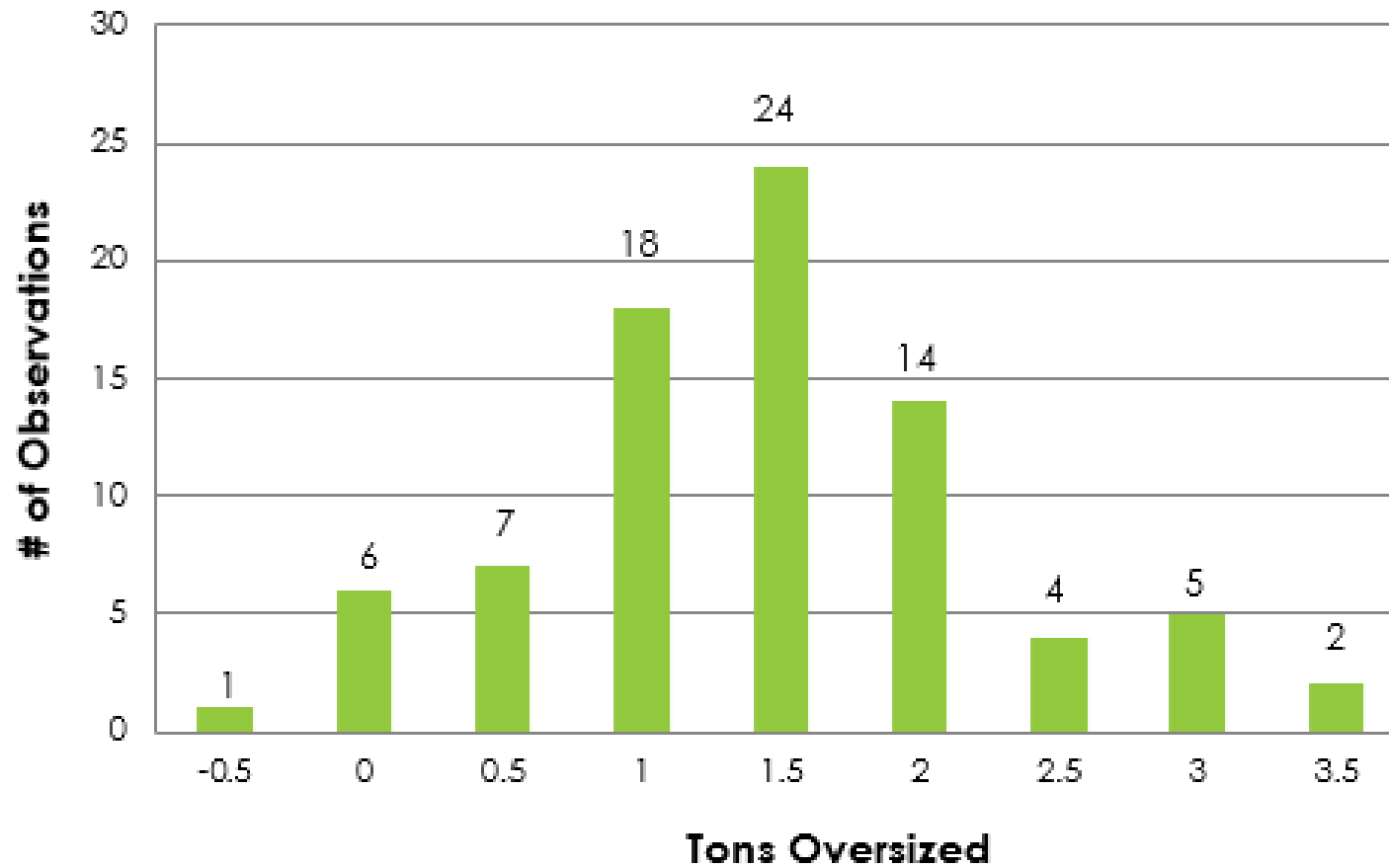


## Why is sizing important?

- Equipment first-cost
- Longer/more efficient run times
- Limits equipment cycling
- Better dehumidification

# Installed AC Units

## *Tons Oversized*



MO Equipment  
Sizing Study



# Common Problems with Manual J Inputs



- Manual Js are often not correct – both intentionally & unintentionally
- The results of a Manual J are only as meaningful as the input data (“GIGO”)
- Several common input errors are often found

# The Usual Suspects



- Design temperatures
- Building orientation
- Number of occupants
- Window area & U-value
- Air leakage
- Wrong areas

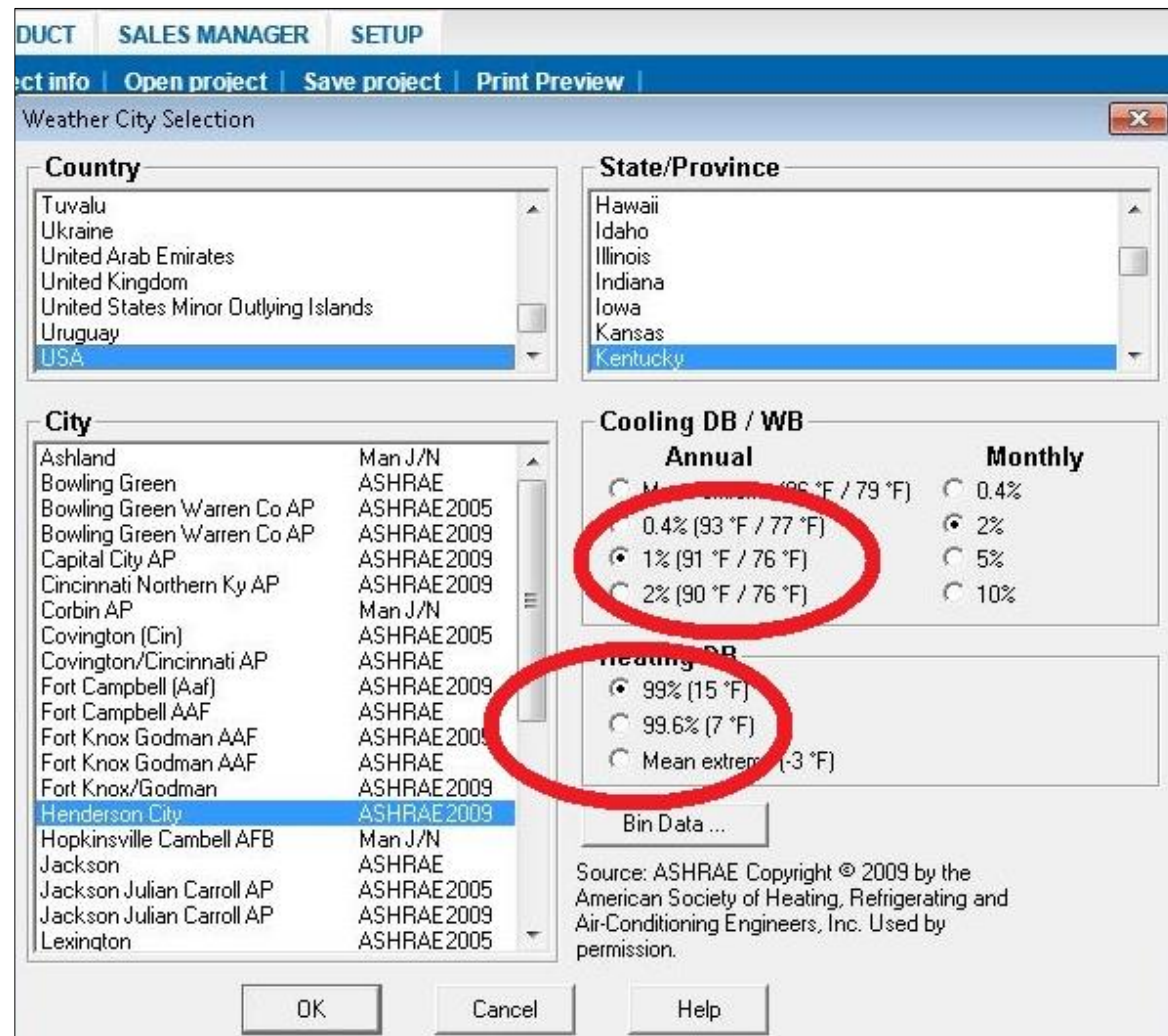
# Outdoor Design Conditions

Library	Henderson, KY				...
Weather location	[Henderson City, KY, US]				...
Elevation	[ 384 ]	ft	Latitude	[ 37.82 ]	°N
Longitude	[ 87.68 ]	°W	Time zone	[ -6.0 ]	
Weather and shielding factor	[ 0.47 ]				
Bin data city	Henderson City, KY, US				...
Earth temperature city	Example earth city				...
Mean earth temperature	[ 50 ]				°F
Annual surface earth temperature swing	[ 25 ]				°F
Day of minimum earth surface temperature	[ 38 ]				day

- The location & design temperatures should be accurately entered into the software
- Typically, city is selected from a menu

# Outdoor Design Conditions

- Outdoor design temps are listed in a table in Manual J & within approved software databases
- The 1% & 99% design conditions should be used
- Technicians could override inputs to adjust results



Weather City Selection

Country: USA

State/Province: Kentucky

City: Henderson City (ASHRAE 2009)

Cooling DB / WB

Annual	Monthly
<input type="radio"/> Mean extreme (95 °F / 79 °F)	<input type="radio"/> 0.4%
<input type="radio"/> 0.4% (93 °F / 77 °F)	<input type="radio"/> 2%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> 1% (91 °F / 76 °F)	<input type="radio"/> 5%
<input type="radio"/> 2% (90 °F / 76 °F)	<input type="radio"/> 10%

Heating DB

<input checked="" type="radio"/> 99% (15 °F)
<input type="radio"/> 99.6% (7 °F)
<input type="radio"/> Mean extreme (-3 °F)

Bin Data ...

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# MO - Outdoor Design Conditions



Location	Elevation Feet	Latitude Degrees North	Winter	Summer					
			Heating 99% Dry Bulb	Cooling 1% Dry Bulb	Coincide nt Wet Bulb	Design Grains 55% RH	Design Grains 50% RH	Design Grains 45% RH	Daily Range (DR)
<b>Missouri</b>									
Cape Girardeau	341	37	13	94	77	44	51	57	M
Columbia AP	778	39	5	92	75	34	41	47	M
Farmington AP	946	37	8	93	75	33	40	46	M
Hannibal	712	39	3	93	76	39	46	52	M
Jefferson City	770	38	7	95	74	23	30	36	M
Joplin AP	980	37	11	94	75	31	38	44	M
Kansas City AP	791	39	4	93	75	33	40	46	M
Kirksville AP	966	40	0	93	74	27	34	40	M
Mexico	823	39	4	94	74	25	32	38	M
Moberly	867	39	3	94	74	25	32	38	M
Poplar Bluff	479	36	13	92	76	41	48	54	M
Rolla	987	38	9	91	75	36	43	49	M
St. Joseph AP	825	39	2	93	76	39	46	52	M
St. Louis AP	535	38	8	93	75	33	40	46	M
St. Louis CO	580	38	8	94	75	31	38	44	M
Sedalia, Whiteman AFB	909	38	4	92	76	41	48	54	M
Sikeston	315	36	15	95	76	36	43	49	M
Spickard/Trenton	886	40	6	93	73	20	27	33	M
Springfield AP	1268	37	9	92	74	28	35	41	M
Warrensburg, Whiteman AFB	869	38	7	93	76	39	46	52	M



# Indoor Design Conditions

- ACCA specifies **70°** for heating and **75° & 50% RH** for cooling

Design Information			
Weather: Atlanta Hartsfield Intl AP, GA, US			
Winter Design Conditions		Summer Design Conditions	
Outside db	26 °F	Outside db	92 °F
Inside db	70 °F	Inside db	72 °F
Design TD	44 °F	Design TD	20 °F
		Daily range	M
		Relative humidity	50 %
		Moisture difference	43 gr/lb

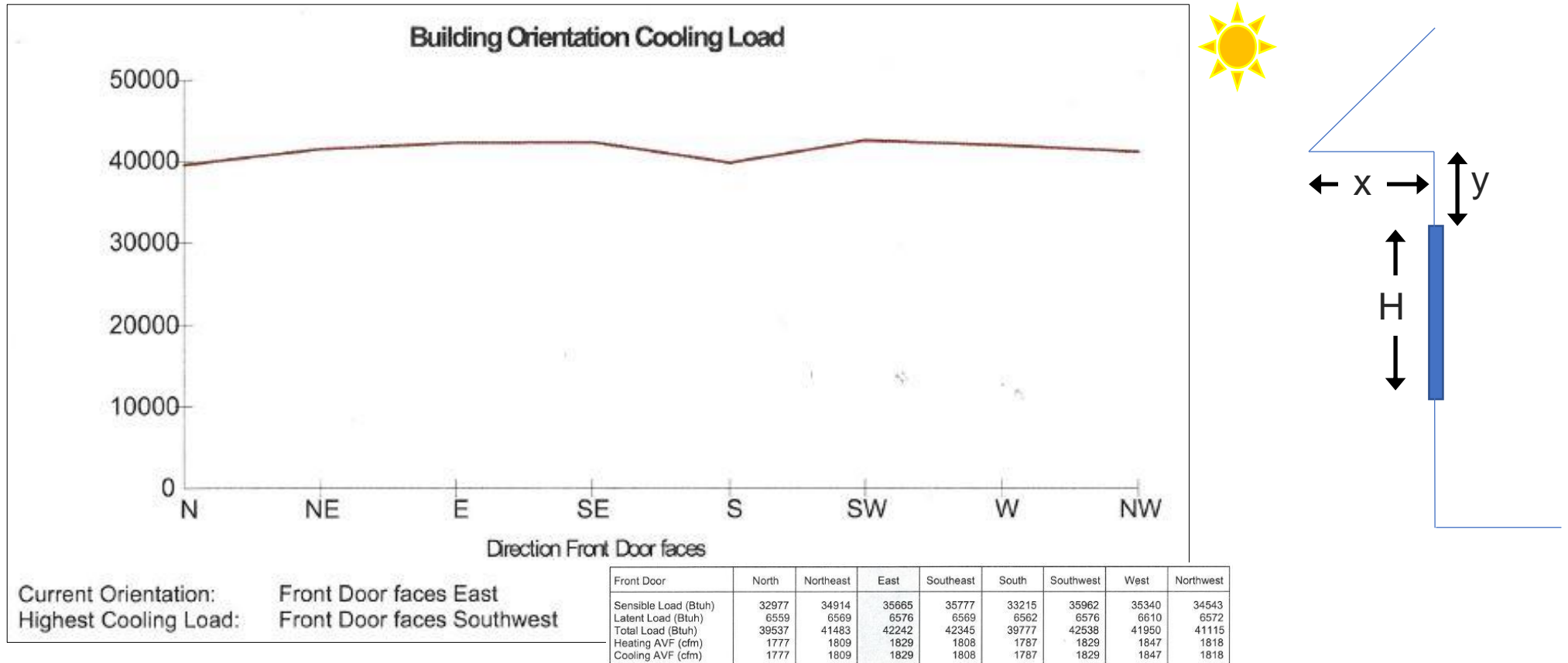
These numbers are often subjectively adjusted!

## SECTION 302 DESIGN CONDITIONS

**302.1 Interior design conditions.** The interior design temperatures used for heating and cooling load calculations shall be a maximum of 72°F (22°C) for heating and minimum of 75°F (24°C) for cooling.

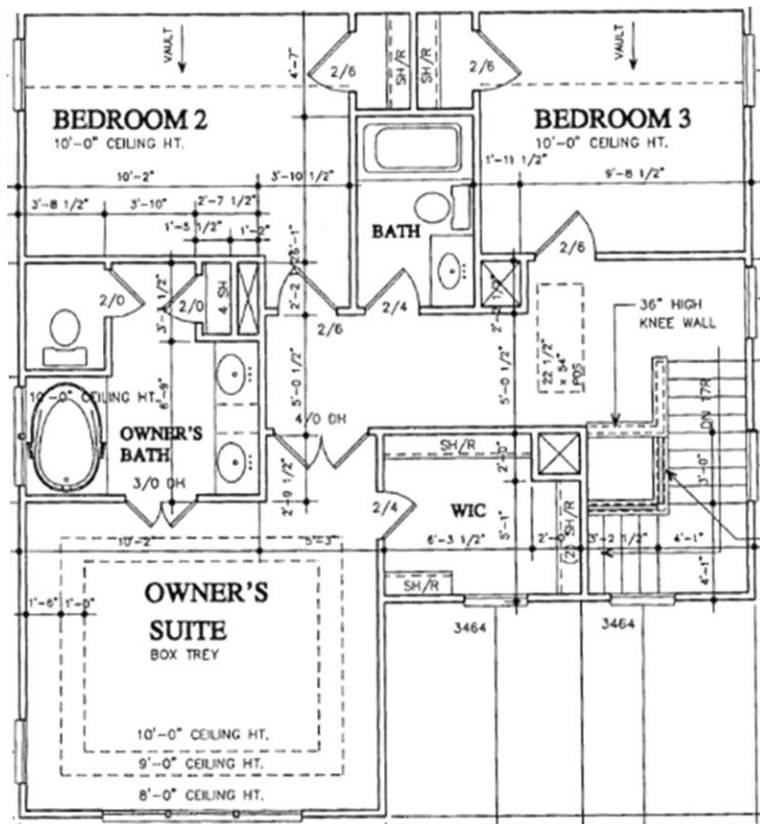


# Orientation

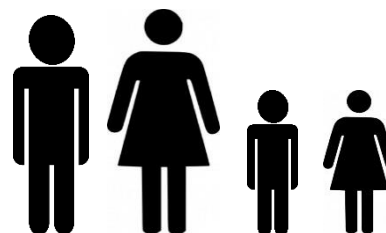


- The heating & cooling loads on a house are dependent on the orientation, especially for windows
- Compare the orientation listed on Manual J documentation to the actual orientation of the home

# Number of Occupants



- Occupants represent internal gains
- ACCA specifies to use the number of bedrooms plus one
- For example, a three bedroom house should have four occupants entered into the Manual J



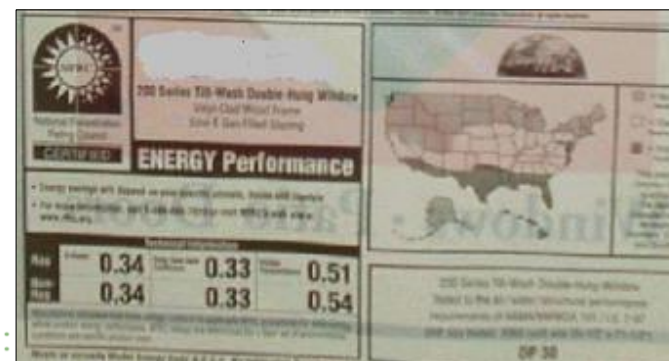
Q: How many Btuh does Manual J assume for each person?

A: 230 Btuh Sensible +200 Latent

# Construction Components

- Manual J requires detailed entry of construction data (R-value, U-value, etc.)
- If available, compare the listed components to what is actually in the house
- Pay particular attention to window areas and specifications

Construction descriptions	Or	Area ft <sup>2</sup>	U-value Btu/h/ft <sup>2</sup> ·F	Insul R ft <sup>2</sup> ·F/Btu
<b>Walls</b>				
12C-0bw: Frm wall, brk 4" ext, 1/2" wood shth, r-13 cav ins, 1/2" gypsum board int fnsh, 2"x4" wood frm, 16" o.c. stud	n	545	0.091	13.0
	ne	17	0.091	13.0
	e	613	0.091	13.0
	s	513	0.091	13.0
	w	486	0.091	13.0
	all	2174	0.091	13.0
15A-4s3oc-4: Bg wall, light dry soil, empty core, concrete block wall, r-4 ins, 8" thk	n	63	0.102	4.0
	n	305	0.093	4.0
	e	232	0.102	4.0
	e	350	0.093	4.0
	s	132	0.102	4.0
	s	205	0.093	4.0
	w	638	0.093	4.0
	all	1924	0.093	4.0
<b>Partitions</b> (none)				
<b>Windows</b>				
U30 S24: U30 S24; NFRC rated (SHGC=0.24); 50% blinds 45°, light; 50% outdoor insect screen; 2 ft overhang (1.5 ft window ht, 1 ft sep.); 6.8 ft head ht	n	18	0.300	0
U33 S31: U33 S31; NFRC rated (SHGC=0.31); 50% blinds 45°, light; 50% outdoor insect screen; 2 ft overhang (3 ft window ht, 1 ft sep.); 6.8 ft head ht	n	9	0.330	0
U32 S29: U32 S29; NFRC rated (SHGC=0.29); 50% blinds 45°, light; 50% outdoor insect screen; 2 ft overhang (3.3 ft window ht, 1 ft sep.); 6.8 ft head ht	e	41	0.320	0
	s	41	0.320	0
	all	83	0.320	0




# Air Leakage

- Software typically has generic tightness categories that are selected from a menu
  - Tight
  - Semi-tight
  - Average
  - Semi-loose
  - Loose

**Building Description**

The materials used in construction of the property have a significant effect on the cooling and heating loads. Entering correct values will help the software determine the correct load factors and thus produce accurate equipment sizing and running cost estimates.



**Please select appropriate building materials for the following**

Building type	Single Level
Building materials	Basement - Unfinished Insulated
Load preferences	Conditioned Space
<b>Tightness</b>	<b>Average</b>
Number of above grade stories	1
Number of fireplaces	0
Fireplace quality	Average



Wind shielding	4 (substantial)
Number of stories	1
<input type="radio"/> Multi-point	
Test "C" value	600.1
Test "n" value	0.650
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Single-point	
Test pressure difference	50 Pa
Test air flow	7615 cfm
Leakage area	608 in <sup>2</sup>

- More detailed options allow input of the actual infiltration (blower door)
- Using the actual (tested) infiltration will result in a more accurate Manual J

$$\text{Sensible Btu/h} = \text{CFM} \times 1.1 \times \text{TempDifference}$$

$$\text{Latent Btu/h} = \text{CFM} \times 0.68 \times \text{GrainsDifference}$$



# Air Leakage with a Blower Door

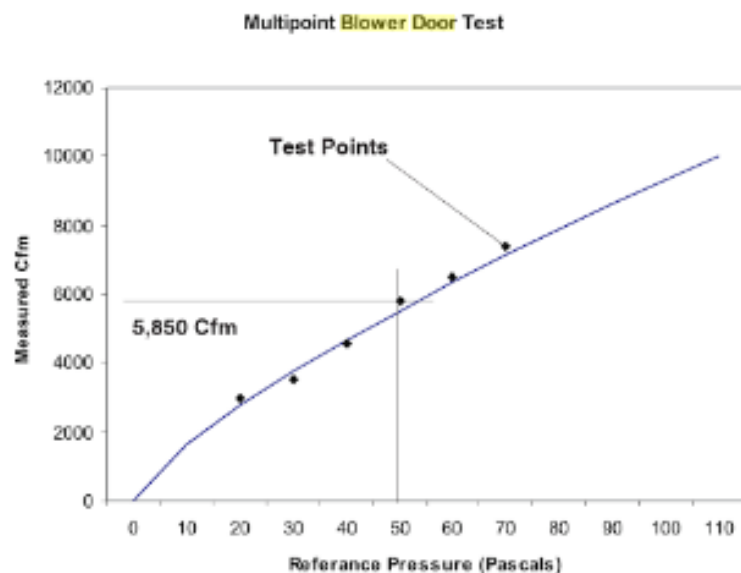


Figure 21-4

- A blower door CFM50 can be converted into values that can be entered into HVAC Res-load J
- Must determine coefficient “C” and exponent “n”

$$CFM_{Press} = C \times (DPress)^n$$

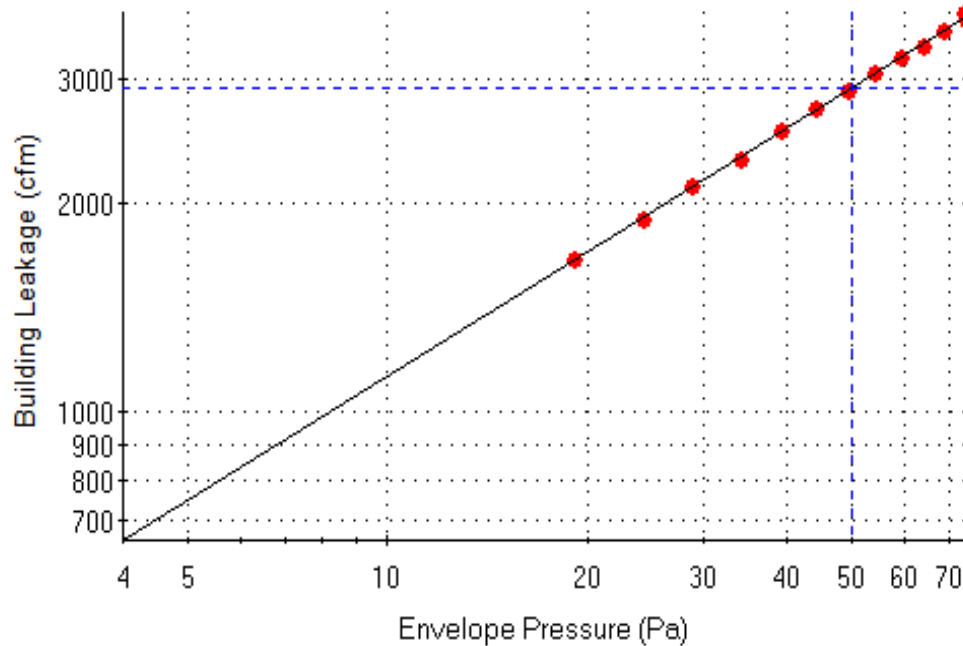
$$CFM_{50} = C \times (50)^n$$

- “n” is a value between 0.5 (perfectly round holes) and 1.0 (long slit)
- Assume a default for **n = 0.65**

$$C = CFM_{50} / (50)^{0.65}$$

$$“C” = CFM_{50} / 12.715$$

# Air Leakage with a Blower Door – Multipoint Test



Label	Base?	start	end	nobs	Avg Pressu	Total Flow
pre depress	True	352	468	117	-1.12	0
-75Pa Leak	False	600	629	30	-74.86	3766.1

Reporting Pressure (Pa)

Test to View

## Test 1: Depressurization

### Airflow at 50 Pascals

2929 cfm +/- 0.4 %  
 Range: 2916 to 2942  
 ---- CFM @50/sq ft

### Leakage Areas

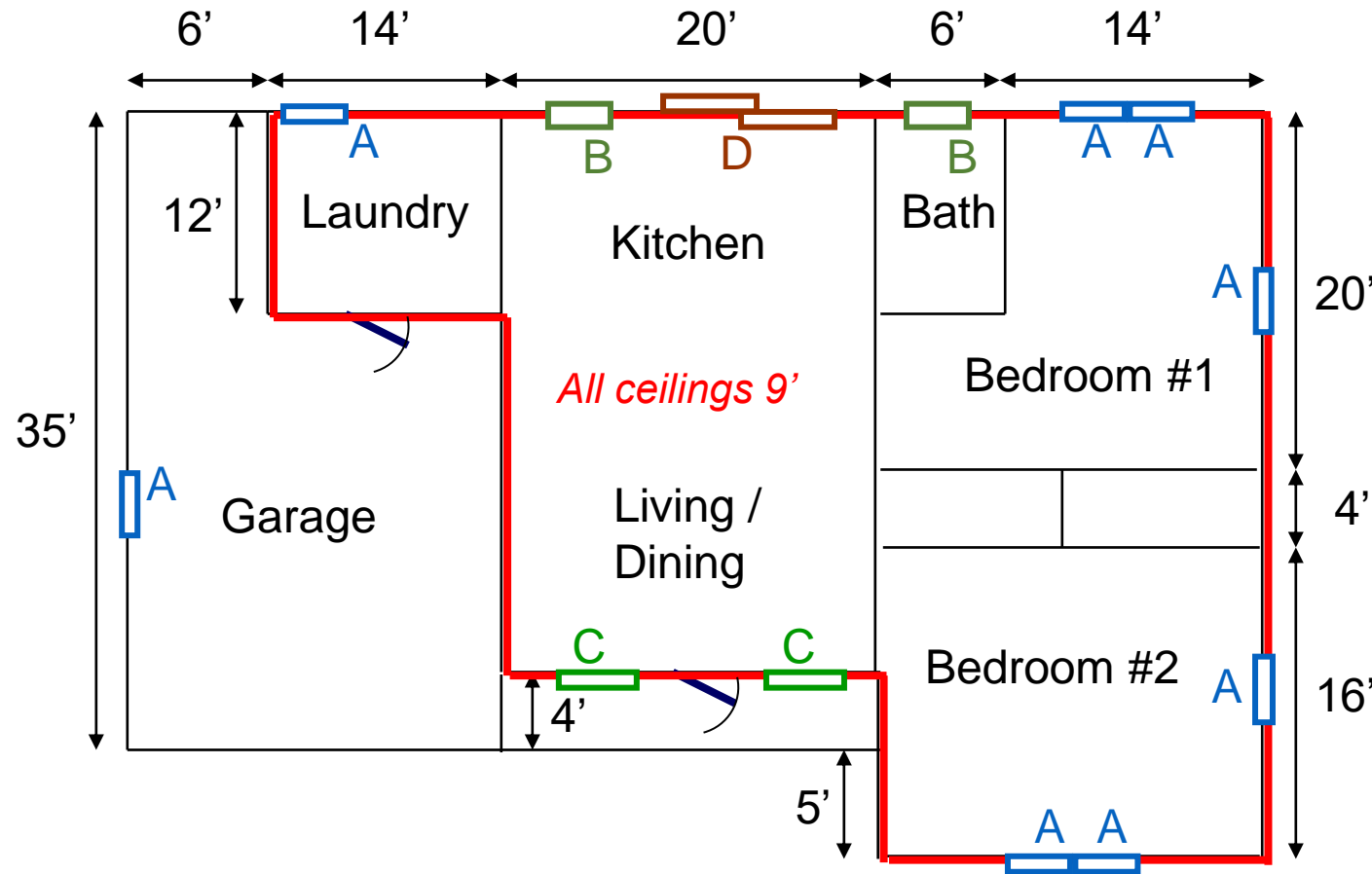
EqLA (10 Pa) = 331.2 in<sup>2</sup> +/- 1.6 %  
 ELA (4 Pa) = 185.7 in<sup>2</sup> +/- 2.5 %




### Building Leakage Curve

Coef. (C) = 287.5 cfm/Pa<sup>n</sup> +/- 3.9 %  
 Exponent (n) = .593 +/- 0.010  
 Correlation Coef. (r) = .99967  
 Corr Coef Squared (r<sup>2</sup>) = .99933

# Manual J Example

# Simple House



-  A: 3'0 x 4'0 DP low-e (U.31, SHGC.24)
-  B: 3'0 x 3'0 DP low-e (U.33, SHGC.26)
-  C: 4'0 x 5'0 DP low-e (U.32, SHGC.25)

 D: 6'0 x 6'8 DP Sliding Glass Door with tint (U.47, SHGC.30)

- Perimeter:  $54 \times 2 + 40 \times 2 = \underline{188}$  ft.
- Gross Wall:  $188 \times 9 = \underline{1,692}$  sq. ft.
- Floor Area:
  - $12 \times 14 +$
  - $20 \times 31 +$
  - $20 \times 40 =$
  - $\underline{1,588}$  sq. ft.
- Ceiling Area:  $\underline{1,588}$  sq. ft.
- Windows
  - A:  $12 \times 7 = 84$  sq. ft.
  - B:  $9 \times 2 = 18$  sq. ft.
  - C:  $20 \times 2 = \underline{40}$  sq. ft.

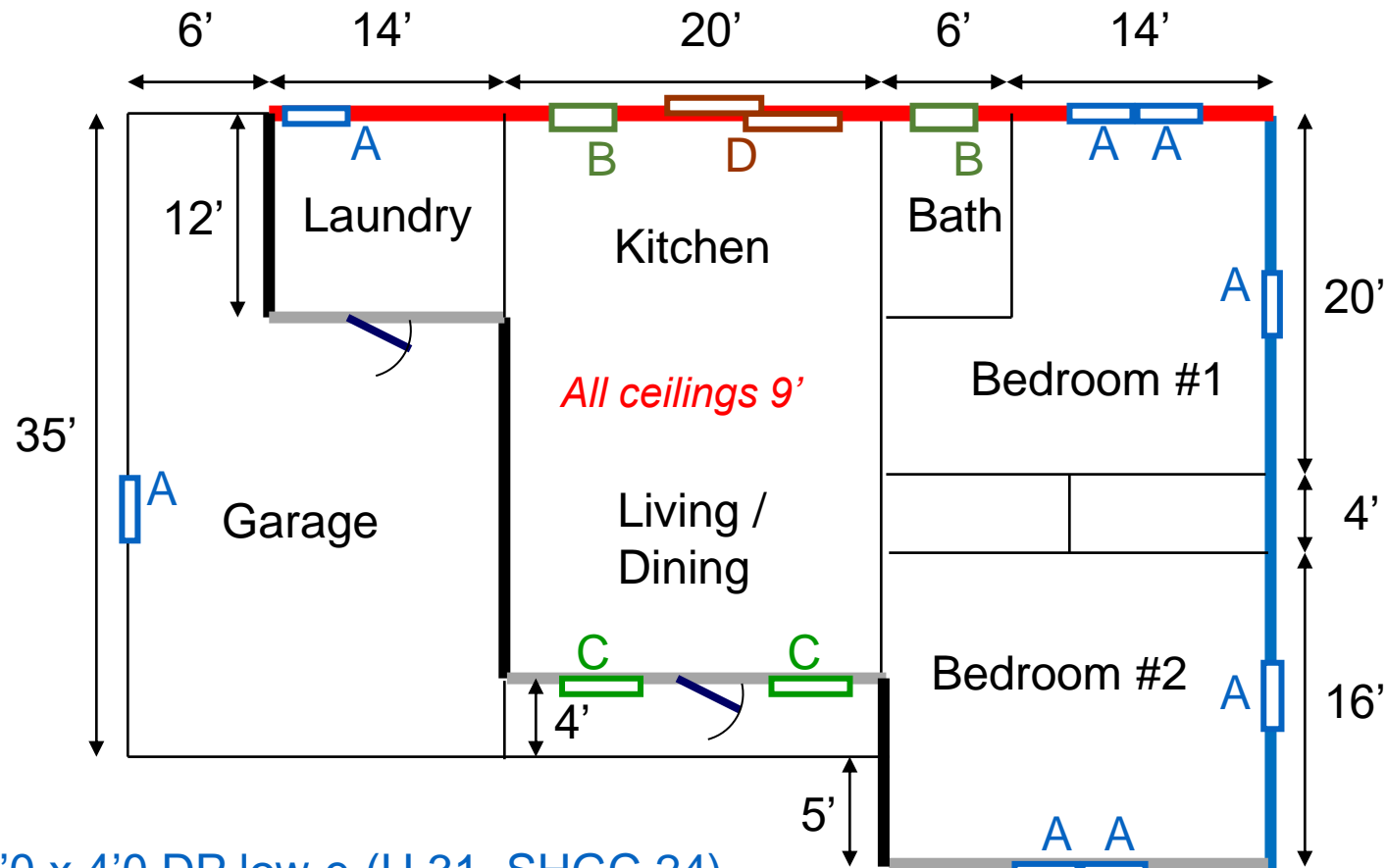
Windows:  $\underline{142}$  sq. ft.
- Glass Doors:  $20 \times 2 = \underline{40}$  sq. ft.
- Solid Doors:  $\underline{42}$  sq. ft. (R-3)
- Volume:  $1588 \times 9 = 14,292$  c.f.

# Simple House (1588 s.f.)

**Back Faces North** 486 s.f.

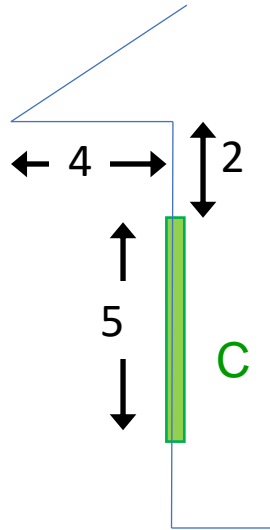
**Left Faces West**





360 s.f.



**Right Faces East**

360 s.f.



-  A: 3'0 x 4'0 DP low-e (U.31, SHGC.24)
-  B: 3'0 x 3'0 DP low-e (U.33, SHGC.26)
-  C: 4'0 x 5'0 DP low-e (U.32, SHGC.25)
-  D: 6'0 x 6'8 DP Sliding Glass Door with tint (U.47; SHGC.30)

**Front Faces South** 486 s.f.



# Simple House (Assumptions)



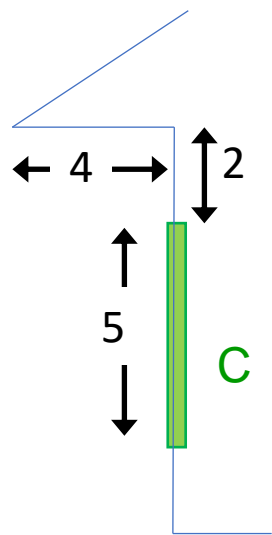
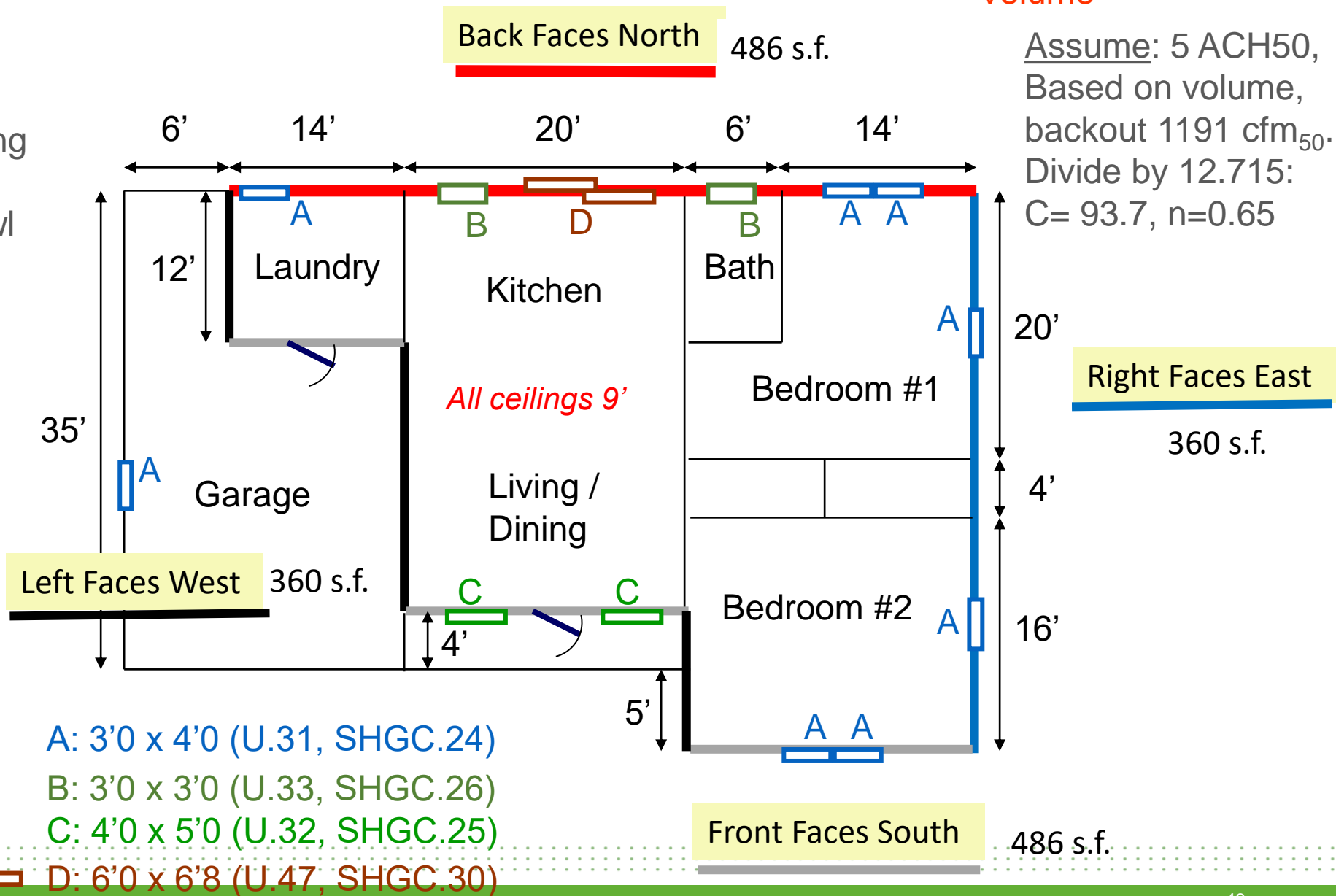
$$ACH_{50} = \frac{CFM_{50} \times 60}{Volume}$$



## Assume:

- Front faces south
- 2x4 frame walls, R-13, siding
- R-38 flat ceiling (1588 s.f.)
- R-19 floor over vented crawl
- R-8 Ducts in attic 6% leakage
- 38.5 cfm of ventilation

Assume: 5 ACH<sub>50</sub>,  
Based on volume,  
backout 1191 cfm<sub>50</sub>.  
Divide by 12.715:  
C = 93.7, n = 0.65

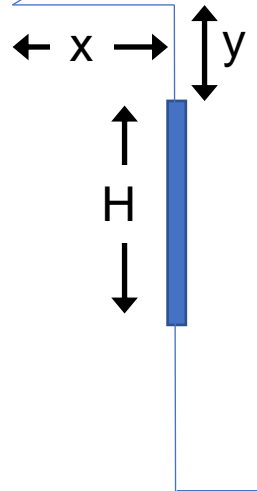


# Simple House – RESULTS



Impact of House orientation for eight directions

Version	Total Cooling	Sensible Load	Latent Load	AED Okay?	Heating Load	Front faces	ACH50
<b>Base</b>	<b>22,455</b>	<b>20,305</b>	<b>2150</b>	<b>yes</b>	<b>29,819</b>	<b>South</b>	<b>5</b>
Rotate 45°	24,443	22,294	2150	Yes	29,819	SouthWest	5
Rotate 90°	<b>25,424</b>	23,274	2150	Yes	29,819	<b>West</b>	5
Rotate 135°	24,841	22,691	2150	Yes	29,819	NorthWest	5
Rotate 180°	<b>21,797</b>	19,648	2150	yes	29,819	<b>North</b>	5
Rotate 225°	25,194	23,044	2150	<b>No</b>	29,819	Northeast	5
Rotate 270°	25,211	23,061	2150	<b>No</b>	29,819	East	5
Rotate 315°	24,378	22,228	2150	yes	29,819	Southeast	5
<b>Base (360°)</b>	<b>22,455</b>	<b>20,305</b>	<b>2150</b>	<b>yes</b>	<b>29,819</b>	<b>South</b>	<b>5</b>

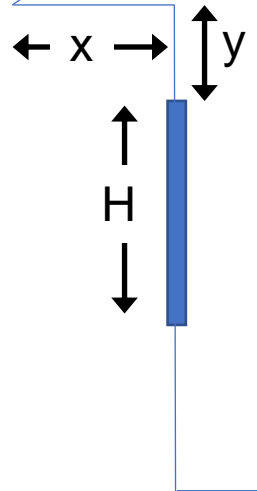
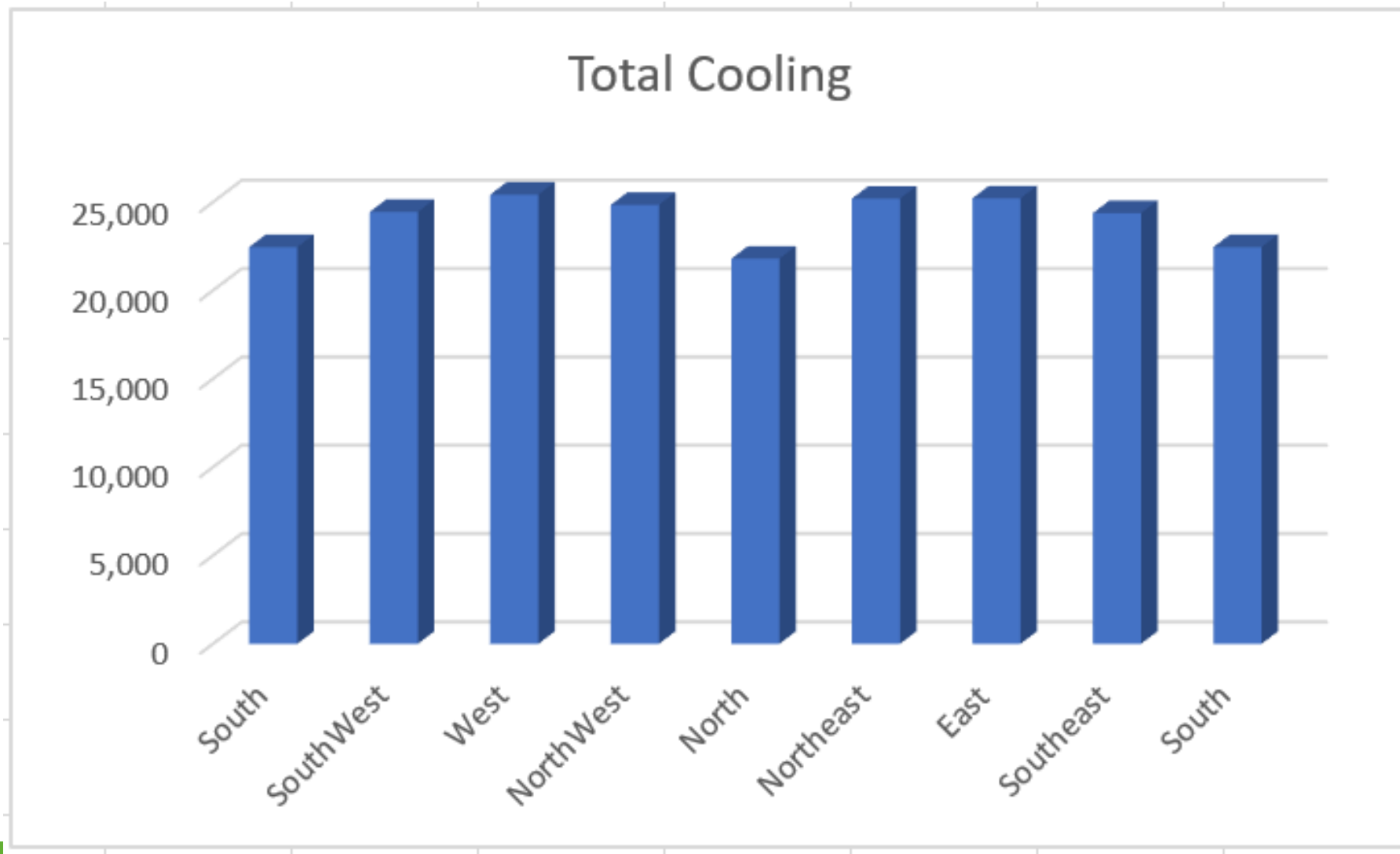


AED = Adequate Exposure Diversity

# Simple House – RESULTS



Impact of House orientation for eight directions



# AED Curves

AED = Adequate Exposure Diversity

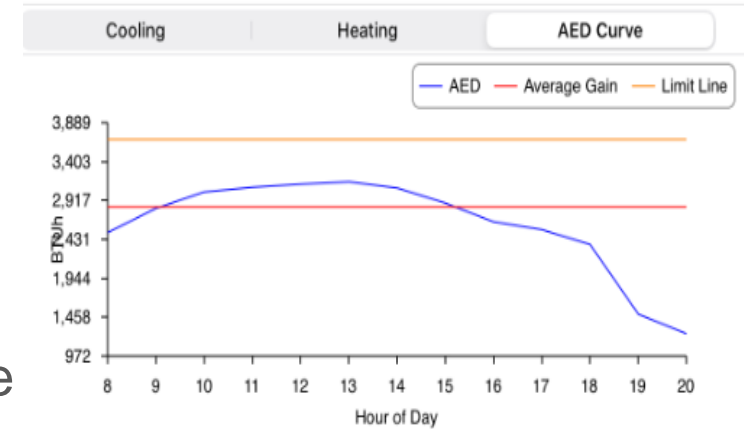


Manual J8 was developed to provide two methods of calculating residential loads; the *average load procedure* and the *peak load procedure*. The average load procedure is used to size the equipment used for homes with Adequate Exposure Diversity\*. (If the home has zoning, then the zone loads must be calculated using the peak load procedure).

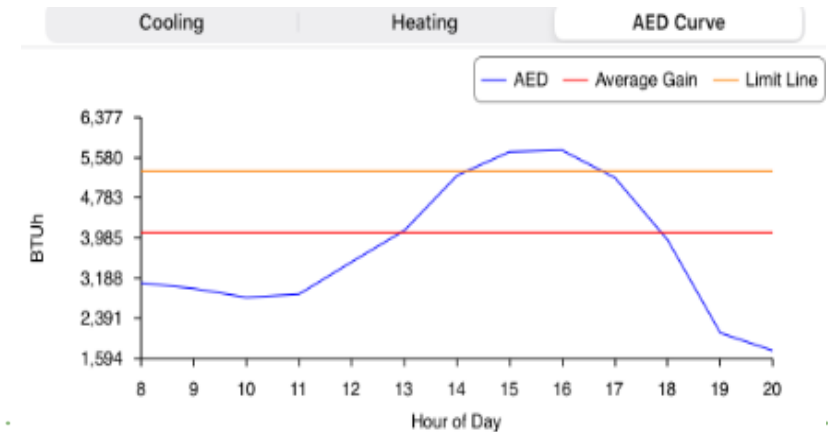
\*A home has AED if it is typical with about the same amount of glass facing all directions. If the home does not have AED, then the peak load procedure must be used. It may be necessary to perform a number of calculations, based on time of day or time of year, & then select the load that covers the worst-case scenario. A home does not have AED if it has a disproportional amount of glass facing any one direction.

For example, a home without AED might be one with an unusually large amount of glass facing south. Because the average load procedure is based on mid summer data, the equipment might be undersized in October when the sun gets lower and begins radiating through the large amount of south facing glass.

## Front Faces SOUTH



## Front Faces NORTHEAST



# Simple House – RESULTS

Impact of House leakage from 3 ACH50 to 15 ACH50



Version	Total Cooling	Sensible Load	SHF	Latent Load	AED Okay?	Heating Load	Front faces	ACH50
Base (“tight”)	21,164	19,584	.93	1579	yes	26,527	South	3
<b>Base</b> (GA code)	<b>22,455</b>	<b>20,305</b>	<b>.90</b>	<b>2150</b>	<b>yes</b>	<b>29,819</b>	<b>South</b>	<b>5</b>
Base (leaky)	25,449	21,975	.86	3470	yes	37,158	South	10
Base (LEAKY)	28,160	23,491	.83	4,668	yes	44,303	South	15



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