



Analysis of heat-related hazard reducing actions

during heatwaves in Berlin

with an urbanized regional climate model COSMO-CLM/DCEP-BEM

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Background and Motivation



Urban expansion

– population 55% (2018) \rightarrow 68% (2050) ^[1]

Change in urban landscape \rightarrow more buildings and more anthropogenic heat flux (AH) from buildings

- \rightarrow RQs:
- estimation of AH
- impact of AH on temperatures
- $-\ energy\ consumption\ for\ indoor\ heating\ /\ cooling$

Figure 1: Alexanderplatz (photo: Bernd Settnik)

[1] United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2018): World Urbanization Prospects: The 2018 Revision, Highlights.



Estimation of AH

- Inventory approach^[1]
- Energy budget closure^[1]

- energy consumption within buildings
- Building energy models^[1] (TEB, WRF-BEM)
- feedback of AH to atmosphere

Dynamically and explicitly!

– Other approaches: EnergyPlus^[2], TERRA-URB^[3]

[1] Sailor, D. J. (2011). A review of methods for estimating anthropogenic heat and moisture emissions in the urban environment. International Journal of Climatology, 31(2), 189–199. https://doi.org/10.1002/joc.2106

[2] Crawley, D. B., Lawrie, L. K., Winkelmann, F. C., Buhl, W. F., Huang, Y. J., Pedersen, C. O., ... Glazer, J. (2001). EnergyPlus: Creating a new-generation building energy simulation program. Energy and Buildings. https://doi.org/10.1016/S0378-7788(00)00114-6

[3] Wouters, H., Demuzere, M., Blahak, U., Fortuniak, K., Maiheu, B., Camps, J., ... Van Lipzig, N. P. M. (2016). The efficient urban canopy dependency parametrization (SURY) v1.0 for atmospheric modelling: Description and application with the COSMO-CLM model for a Belgian summer. Geoscientific Model Development, 9(9), 3027–3054. https://doi.org/10.5194/gmd-9-3027-2016



Model Description COSMO-CLM/DCEP-BEM







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Street Canyon[1] S. Schubert, S. Grossman-Clarke, A. Martilli (2012); A Double-Canyon Radiation Scheme for
Multi-Layer Urban Canopy Models; Boundary Layer Meteorology, doi:10.1007/s10546-012-9728-35



Model Description DCEP-BEM



Street Canyon

Building Energy Model [4]

- Add details, e.g. windows on canyon side
- Indoor sensible and latent load
 - equipment and person
 - heating / cooling system \rightarrow regulate temperature
- Feedback to the atmosphere (anthropogenic heat AH)
 - wall / window conduction
 - ventilation
 - waste heat emission by AC outdoor unit

[4] Salamanca, F., Krpo, A., Martilli, A. et al. A new building energy model coupled with an urban canopy parameterization for urban climate simulations. Theor Appl Climatol (2010) 99: 331. https://doi.org/10.1007/s00704-009-0142-9



Model Description AC waste heat by DCEP-BEM



AC_HOR

AC_VER



Model Evaluation Simulation setup

CCLM setup:

2 periods: 15.02.2018 - 10.03.2018 25.07.2018 - 17.07.2018

Two-step one-way nesting (COSMO 5.0/CLM9)

 $\label{eq:error} \begin{array}{l} {\rm ERA5} \rightarrow {\rm CCLM} \ 7 {\rm km} \rightarrow {\rm CCLM/DCEP} \ 1 {\rm km} \ ({\rm reference} \) \\ \rightarrow {\rm CCLM/DCEP} \ {\rm BEM} \ 1 {\rm km} \end{array}$

BEM setup

– indoor target temperature: based on measurement (ca.
21°C) in winter; not regulated in summer.

- ventilation: 0.1 (daytime) / 0 (night time) in winter; 0.25 in summer





Model Evaluation Measurements



Urban site: Berlin-Alexanderplatz Rural site: Lindenberg

Energy balance site: TUB Campus Charlottenburg (TUCC) Reference site for radiative fluxes: Berlin-Tegel and Berlin-Tempelhof



Model Evaluation Radiative fluxes



WINTER



SUMMER

Downward shortwave radiation (SW)

measurement uncertainty (max. 57 Wm⁻² in winter; 73 Wm⁻² in summer)

good fit at reference sites in winter;
 underestimation in summer

– No obvious difference between DCEP and DCEP/BEM

Downward longwave radiation (LW)

– underestimation in winter; good fit summer

– No obvious difference between DCEP and DCEP/BEM $% \mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{D}}$



Model Evaluation Surface fluxes (fetch = 1 grid box)





Sensible heat flux (QH)

- winter: underestimation by DCEP

 → increase after adding anthropogenic heat release from buildings (DCEP-BEM)
 – summer: small increase by DCEP-BEM
 ← QH by indoor equipment, occupant and natural ventilation

Latent heat flux (QE)

− winter: small increase by DCEP-BEM
 ← QE by indoor occupant and natural ventilation

 summer: No obvious difference between DCEP and DCEP-BEM

WINTER



Model Evaluation Urban heat island intensity (ΔT_{UHI})



$$\Delta T_{UHI} = T_{2m}^{urb} - T_{2m}^{rur}$$

Winter $\Delta T_{\rm UHI}$

- underestimation by DCEP
- increased by DCEP-BEM due to indoor heating

Summer ΔT_{UHI}

- underestimation by DCEP
- small increase by DCEP-BEM especially during the night



Case Study A Heatwave Event (25–31 July, 2018)

Meteorological conditions at urban site:

- Stable synoptic situation
- Tmax > 30°C; Tmin > 20°C
- No precipitation





Case study Simulation setup



Two-step one-way nesting (COSMO 5.0/CLM9)

$$\begin{split} \text{ERA5} &\rightarrow \text{CCLM 7km} \rightarrow \text{CCLM/DCEP-BEM-AC0} \text{ (reference)} \\ &\rightarrow \text{CCLM/DCEP-BEM-AC_VER} \\ &\rightarrow \text{CCLM/DCEP-BEM-AC_HOR} \end{split}$$

BEM setup

– indoor target temperature for AC: 24°C (297.15 K) ± 0.5 K
 – ventilation: none





Case Study Result 1: Temperature tendencies at lowest model levels



Lowest model level (L50): 0 - 20m

 $- TT_URB_{AC_VER} > TT_URB_{AC0} > TT_URB_{AC_HOR}$ - largest increase at noon



Second lowest model level (L49): 20 - 51.43m- TT_URB_{AC_HOR} > TT_URB_{VER} > TT_URB_{AC0} - largest increase at noon 15



Case Study Result 2: Temperature at lowest model levels



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Case Study Result 3: Energy consumption due to AC cooling



Comparison with recent studies:

- Beijing: 52.91 Wm⁻² (urb), 43.77 Wm⁻² (suburb) ^[1]

Comparison of cooling load between urban and suburb sites:

- +17% $^{\scriptscriptstyle [1]}$ in Beijing
- +25% ^[2] in London
- +39% $^{\scriptscriptstyle [3]}$ for isolated buildings in Milan

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 [3] Paolini, R., Zani, A., Meshkinkiya, M., Castaldo, V. L., Pisello, A. L., Antretter, F., ... Cotana, F. (2017). The hygrothermal performance of residential buildings at urban and rural sites: Sensible and latent energy loads and indoor environmental conditions. Energy & Buildings, 152, 792–803.
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Summary and Outlook

- DCEP-BEM
 - Improvement of UHI intensity in winter with added AH
 - AC_VER influences L50 more; AC_HOR influences L49 more
 - Up to 0.3K temperature increase due to AC
 - Comparable energy consumption
- Add heat emission from traffic into lowest model levels
- Compare with other method





Modification of vegetated area in urban grid cell (winter/summer): - LAI 1.1/3.5; RD: 1.5; PLC: 0.48/0.88; RL:0.02/0.13



latent	Latent heat of vaporization [J/kg]	2.45×10^{6}
сор	Coefficient of performance of the A/C systems [-]	3.5
beta	Thermal efficiency of heat exchanger [-]	0.75
gaptemp	Comfort Range of the indoor Temperature, [K]	0.5
gaphum	Comfort Range of the specific humidity, [Kg/Kg]	0.005
targhum	Target humidity of the A/C systems, [Kg/Kg]	0.005
perflo	Peak number of occupants per unit floor area, [person/m^2]	0.01
hsesf	Peak heat generated by equipments, [W/m^2]	16
hsequip (24)	Diurnal heating profile of heat generated by equipments	0.25 for 0-6UTC, 0.5, 1 for 8-17 UTC, 0.5, 0.25 for 19-23 UTC
fr_window	Coverage area fraction of windows in the walls of the building [-]	0.2
p_num	Number of panes in the windows (1,2 or 3)	2
q_num	Category number for the windows (q_num= 4, standard glasses)	4
emwin	Emissivity of windows	0.9



Street direction	-45°, 0°, 45°, 90° from north
Window fraction	0.16
Sensible / latent heat gain by person	160 W m ⁻²
Sensible heat gain by equipment	7.4 W m ⁻²
Coefficient of Performance (COP)	3.5
Volumetric heat capacity of exterior ground / wall / roof	1.94×10^{6} 2.25×10^{6} 1.769×10^{6}
Thickness of wall / roof	0.3145 m
Initial temperature	296 K (summer) 273 K (winter)
Target indoor temperature	20-22°C (based on measurements)
ventilation	Winter: 0700-1800 UTC (0.1), nighttime 0 Summer: 0.1



