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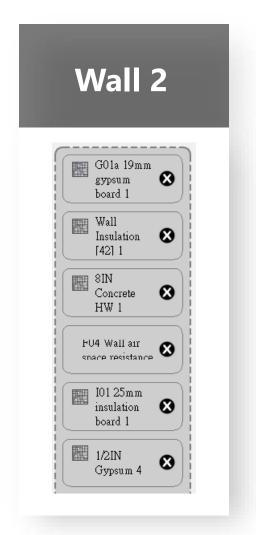
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ROMA 41.29

LONGITUDE 12.29

Mediterranean climate

> During summer, regions of Mediterranean climate are strongly influenced by the subtropical ridge which keeps atmospheric conditions very dry with minimal cloud coverage. In winter, the subtropical ridge migrates towards the equator, making rainfall much more likely.

TAIPEI 25.03

121.31

Humid subtropical climate

In a humid subtropical climate, summers are typically long, hot and humid. Monthly mean summer temperatures are normally between 25 and 27 °C; monthly mean temperatures in winter are often mild, typically averaging 7.5 to 16 °C.

TORONTO

43.40

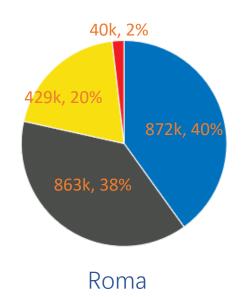
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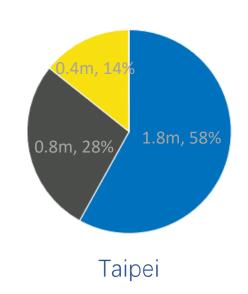
Humid continental climate

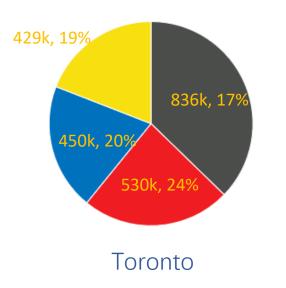
Precipitation is relatively well distributed yearround in many areas with this climate, Snowfall occurs in all areas with a humid continental climate and in many such places is more common than rain during the height of winter. In places with sufficient wintertime precipitation, the snow cover is often deep.

COMPARISON OF ANNUAL ENERGY CONSUMPTION

Site and Source Energy	ROMA Base Wall	TAIPEI Base Wall	TORONTO Base Wall
Total Site Energy	2177316.0	3021697.9	2244156.0
Net Site Energy	2177316.0	3021697.9	2244156.0
Total Source Energy	5071760.2	5867386.0	6394675.9
Net Source Energy	5071760.2	5867386.0	6394675.9





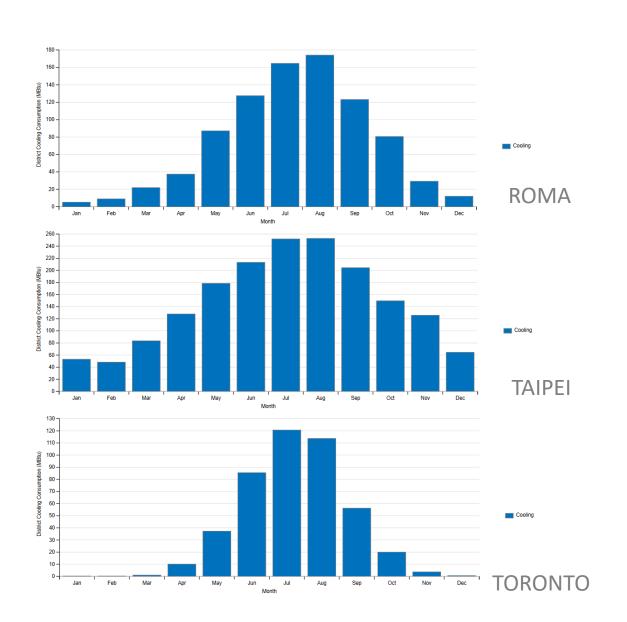


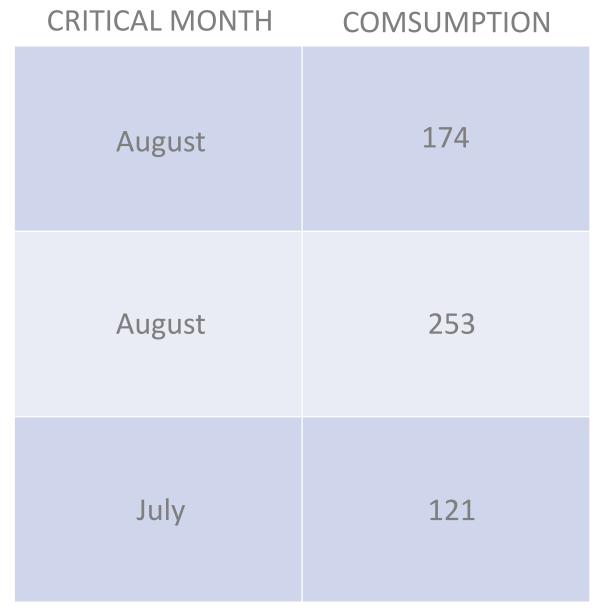
Heating

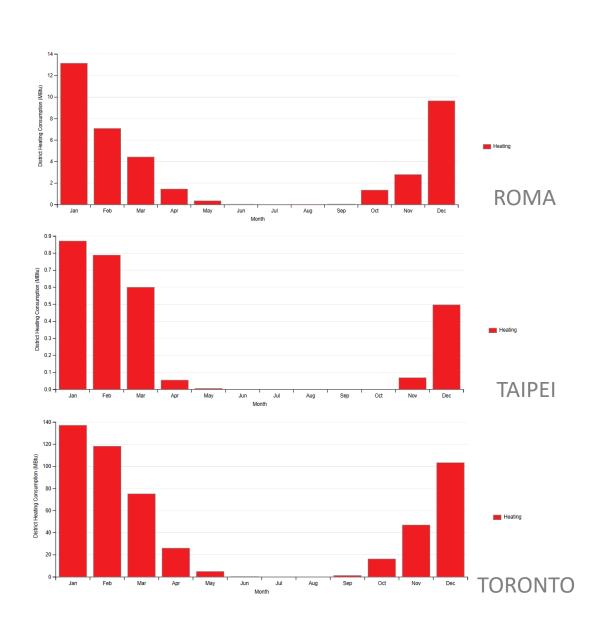
Cooling

Interior Equipment

Interior Lighting

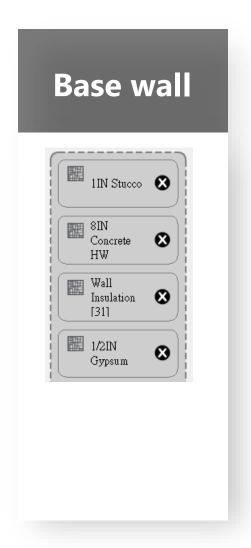


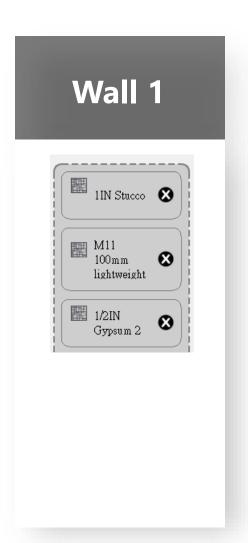


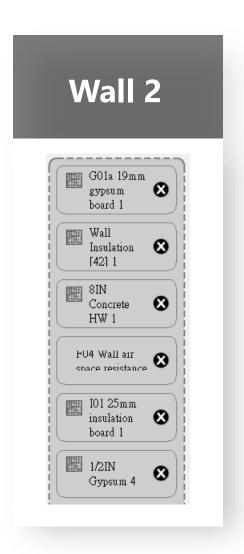


CRITICAL MONTH **COMSUMPTION** 13 January 0.9 January 137 January

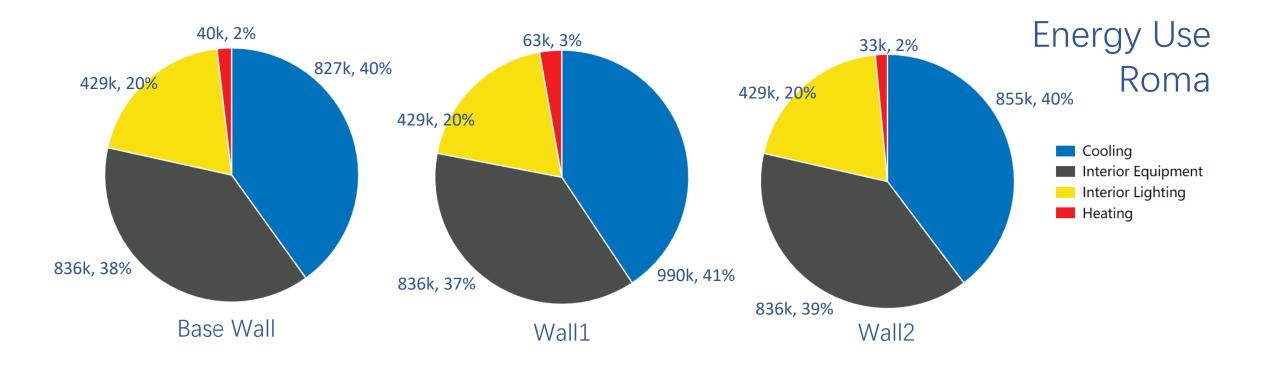
SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS OF THE WALL CONFIGURATIONS







R Value(ft^2*h*R/Btu): 5.76 1.75 19.47



Site and Source Energy	Base Wall	Wall1	Wall2
Total Site Energy	2177316.0	2236744.0	2152208.3
Net Site Energy	2177316.0	2236744.0	2152208.3
Total Source Energy	5071716.2	5192606.8	5026151.1
Net Source Energy	5071716.2	5192606.8	5026151.1

CONCLUSION

ANNUAL HEATING AND COOLING CONSUMPTION

- 1. The cooling consumption and heating consumption of the same material wall in different cities will be reflected differently due to the difference in the latitude of the city. Normally the higher the latitude, the less sun radiation the city receives, thus the higher the heating consumption is and the lower the amount of cooling is.
- 2. The cooling consumption and heating consumption of the same material wall in different cities will be reflected differently due to the difference in climate types. In humid subtropical area (Taipei), the cooling consumption has the highest value.
- 3. The influence of climatic conditions on the cooling consumption and heating consumption of the wall is greater than that of latitude.
- 4. The same material wall had the highest cooling consumption in Taipei in August and the highest heating consumption in Toronto in January, which corresponds the weather characters.

- 1. The thickness of the wall effect the total thermal resistance of the wall.
- 2. Wall 1, which has no insulation or air gap and the lowest thermal resistance value, has the highest value for the heating and cooling consumption, as well as the total energy consumption between the 3 different wall configurations.
- 2. Introducing an air gap in the wall greatly affects the total thermal resistance of the wall. But it dose not effect the total energy use very much.
- 3. Simple adding the thickness of the wall and increase the total thermal resistance of the wall is not an economic way to reduce the total energy consumption.

SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS