



IBPSA Project 1

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WP 3.2 Application

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Goals of WP3.2

Goal 1: To demonstrate capabilities enabled by the use of Modelica for the design and operation of building and district energy systems

Goal 2: To develop user-friendly tools and interfaces to facilitate the use of Modelica

Outcome

Outcome 1: Collection of application case studies

Outcome 2: Python-based tool for automatic generation of Modelica models from 3D urban building models

Outcome 1: Collection of application case studies

Collection of case studies

Participants fill in a “case study template” available at https://github.com/ibpsa/project1/tree/master/wp_3_2_app

Template for description of application case studies – IBPSA Project 1 WP3.2

1. Title and authors

-Provide a title for the application case study

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-Name the authors that are responsible for the case study

Name/Institution/Country.....

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2. General Description:

-Formulate a general outline of the case study by including: objective, description of HVAC/district system and main results (if already available)

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3. Diagram and picture

-Include at least two pictures for your case study:

- 1. One diagram showing the layout of the HVAC/district system
- 2. One picture of Modelica model

4. Thermal zone modeling

-How many buildings have you modelled?

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-How many thermal zones per building have you modelled? How many in total?

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-What's the complexity of the thermal zone model (Low order / High order)?

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-(only for district simulations) Are network and buildings coupled or decoupled?

- ☐ Coupled
- ☐ Decoupled

5. Modelica libraries and tools:

-Which Modelica library have you used? (Keep in mind that IBPSA library is for developers, not for users)

- ☐ AixLib
- ☐ Buildings
- ☐ BuildingSystems
- ☐ IDEAS

List of case studies

	Title	Institute	Scale	Status	
				Template received	Case study uploaded to website
1	MPC-oriented models of a small district with geothermal heat pumps	University of Southern Denmark	District	✓	✓
2	Single-zone model of a university building with hydronic heating and CO2-driven ventilation	University of Southern Denmark	Building	✓	✓
3	Dimensioning of IBPSA plug flow pipes for Vejle Nord LiveLab using Dymola FMI and Python	University of Southern Denmark	District	✓	✓
4	Multi-Infrastructure Modeling of Smart and Connected Communities	University of Colorado Boulder	District	✓	✓
5	Equation-Based Object-Oriented Modeling and Simulation for Data Center Cooling	University of Colorado Boulder	Building	✓	✓
6	Comprehensive Pliant Permissive Priority Optimization (C3PO)	University of Colorado Boulder	District	✓	✓
7	Modeling Air-to-Air and Finned-Tube Heat Exchangers	University of Colorado Boulder	Component	✓	✓
8	Feasibility study of DHC system in Køge (Denmark)	Aalborg University	District	✓	✓
9	Erdeis II – Local DHC provided with a LTN for residential buildings	RWTH Aachen	District	✓	✓
10	Quantifying uncertainty propagation for the district energy demand	KU Leuven	District	✓	✓
11	A zero-fossil-fuel energy concept in the historic city center of Bruges	KU Leuven	District	✓	✓
12	Quayside energy system analysis	LBNL	District	✓	✓

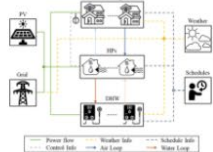
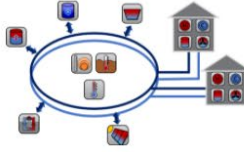

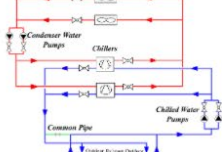
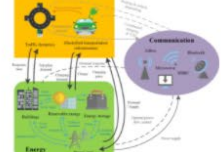


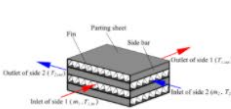

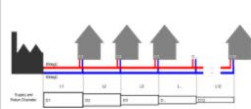
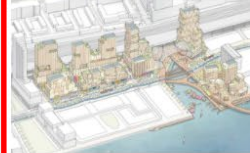

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Uploading case studies on IBPSA Project 1 website



List of case studies

On this page, a number of case studies that emerged from IBPSA Project 1 participants are listed. The case studies deal with different applications ranging from HVAC systems in buildings to district heating networks. The aim is to demonstrate capabilities that are enabled through the use of Modelica.

 <p>Comprehensive Plant Permissive Priority Optimization (C3PO) by University of Colorado at Boulder (USA)</p> <p>Read more</p>	 <p>Erdels II – Local DHC provided with a LTN for residential buildings and a geothermal ice storage by RWTH Aachen University (Germany)</p> <p>Read more</p>	 <p>5G district heating and cooling system in Køge Nord by Aalborg University (Denmark)</p> <p>Read more</p>	 <p>Equation-Based Object-Oriented Modeling and Simulation for Data Center Cooling: A Case Study by University of Colorado at Boulder (USA)</p> <p>Read more</p>	 <p>Multi-Infrastructure Modeling of Smart and Connected Communities by University of Colorado at Boulder (USA)</p> <p>Read more</p>	 <p>Quantifying uncertainty propagation for the district energy demand using realistic variations on input data by KU Leuven (Belgium)</p> <p>Read more</p>
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Outcome 2: Python-based tool for automatic generation of Modelica models
from 3D urban building models

Development of BAGEL (Blender-based Automated Generator of Energy Loads)

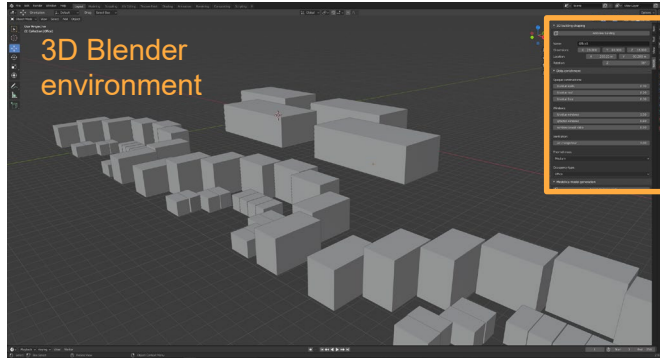
- Graphically create 3D urban building forms
- Assign building properties (e.g. U-values)
- Export Modelica models for calculation of heating and cooling loads



What is Blender? 3D computer graphics modeling software

Why Blender? Free and open source / Blender Python API

BAGEL (Blender-based Automatic Generator of Energy Loads)



3D building shaping

Add new building

Name: Office1

Dimensions: X 28.000 Y 60.000 Z 18.000

Location: X 237.83 m Y -90.208 m

Rotation: Z 90°

Data enrichment

Opaque constructions:

U-value walls	0.30
U-value roof	0.20
U-value floor	0.40

Windows:

U-value windows	1.50
g-factor windows	0.50
window-to-wall ratio	0.40

Ventilation:

air change hour	1.50
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Thermal mass:

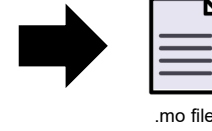
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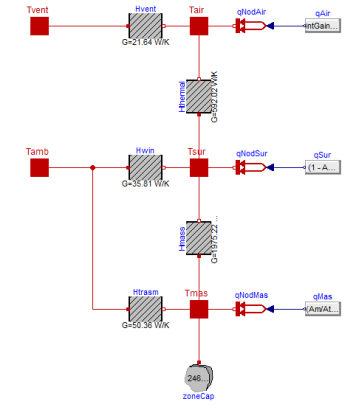
Office

Modelica model generation

Export Modelica code



5R1C thermal network



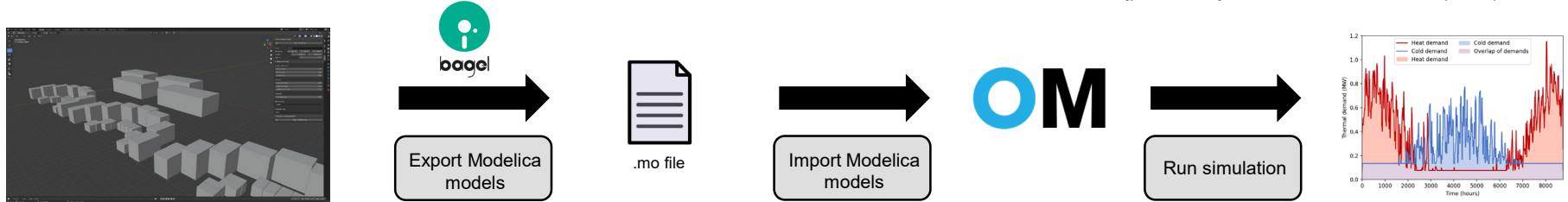
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BAGEL – from toolchain to stand-alone tool



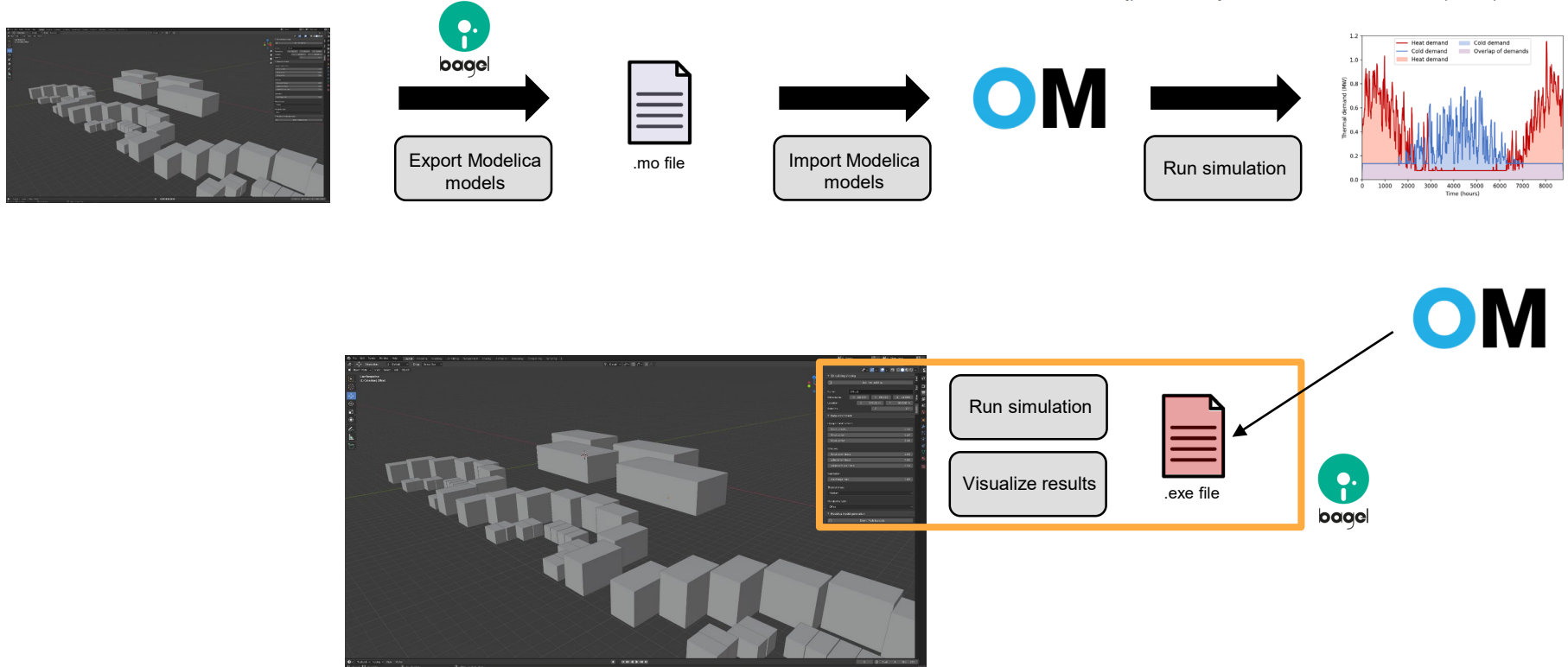
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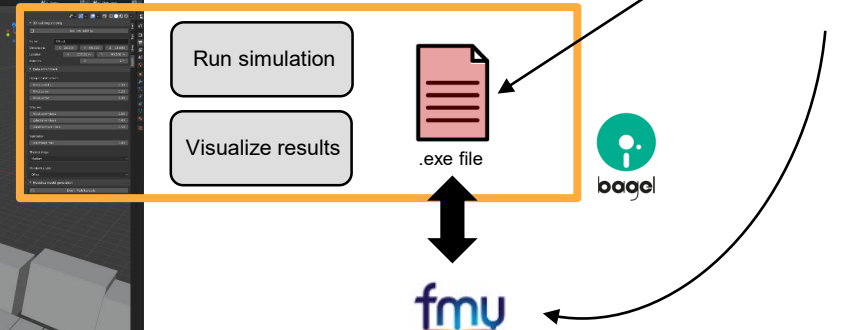
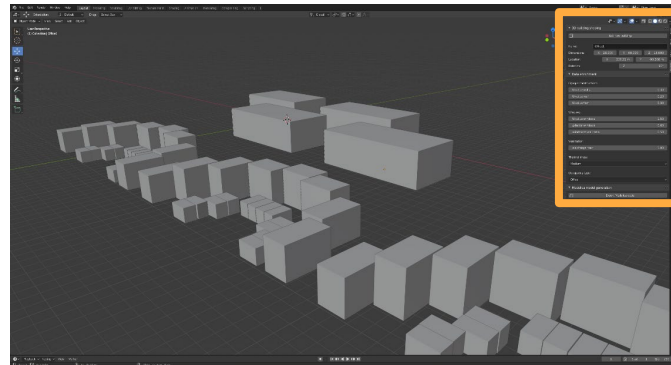
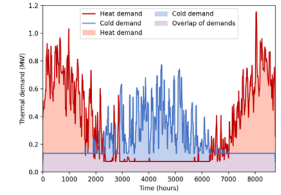
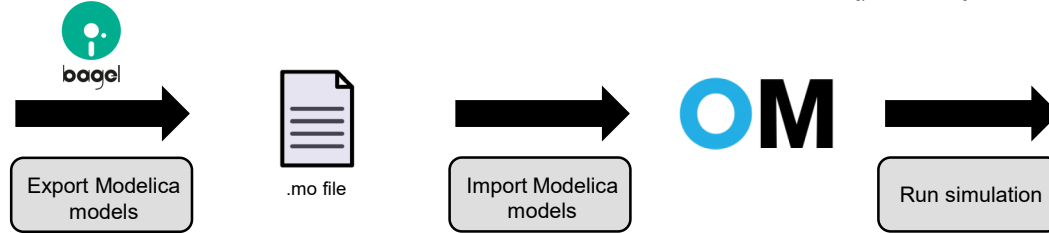
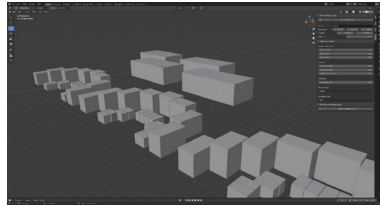
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Breakout session

	Content - title	Presenter/Leader	time	comments
Session 1 (Day 1)			50 min	
WP3.1 DESTEST update	Current status	Dirk	5 min	Short update
	Update on CE buildings with focus on office building	Arash	20 min	
	Update on CE thermal networks	Hicham	20 min	
	next steps + commitments	Dirk / Hicham	10 min	
Session 2 (Day 1)			55 min	
WP3.1 DESTEST Python Tool	Update on comparison tool	Hicham	25 min	Presentation of tool + discussion on KPI calculation
WP3.2 Application	Case study I - Demonstration project 'De Schipjes': a zero-fossil-fuel energy concept in the historic city center of Bruges	Jelger	15 min (10+5)	Alessandro moderates the session about case studies
	Case study II - Sidewalk Lab - Quayside Energy Systems Analysis	Jianjun	15 min (10+5)	
Session 3 (Day 2)			45 min	
Joint session with WP3.1				
	Status of DESTEST emulator	Dirk		
	from BOPTEST to DOPTEST?			Interest from the scientific community
	to be included in follow-up project?			