#### **Compliance vs Performance modelling**

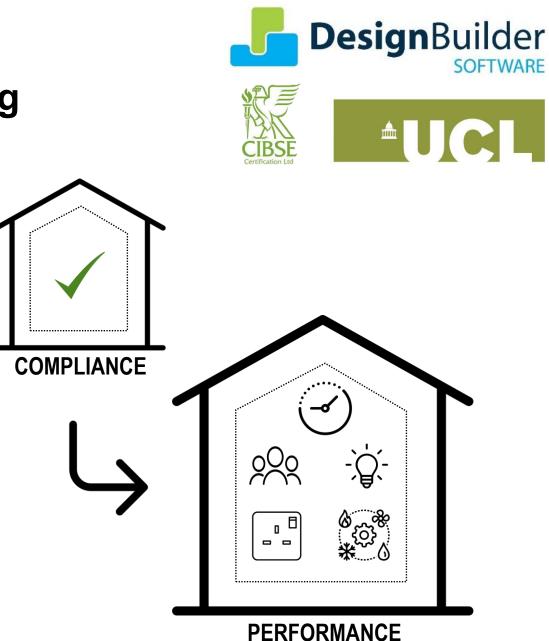
Repurposing a certification model for better design stage performance estimates (as per CIBSE TM54)

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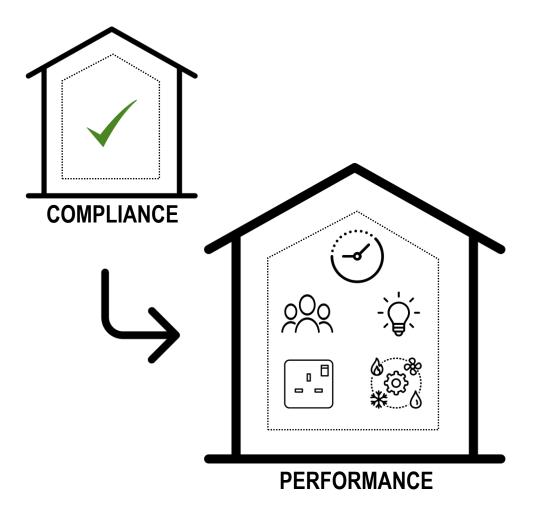
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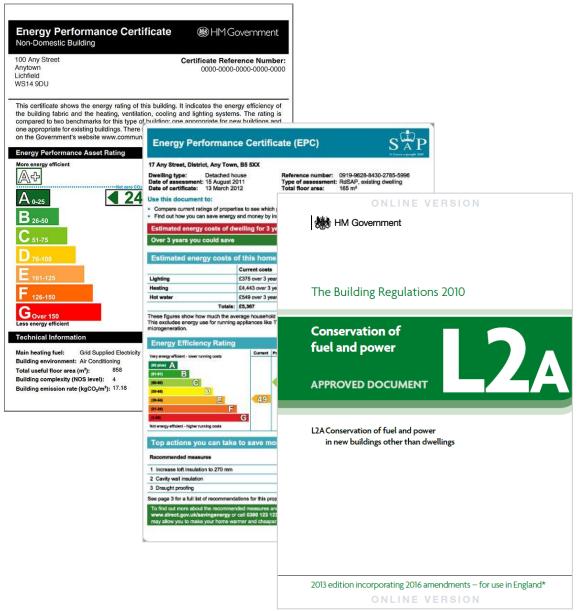
- 1. Background on compliance vs performance modelling
- 2. TM54 approach and requirements
- 3. Repurpose a certification model to a performance model, in accordance with TM54
- 4. TM54 recommended calculations and results





# **Compliance Modelling**

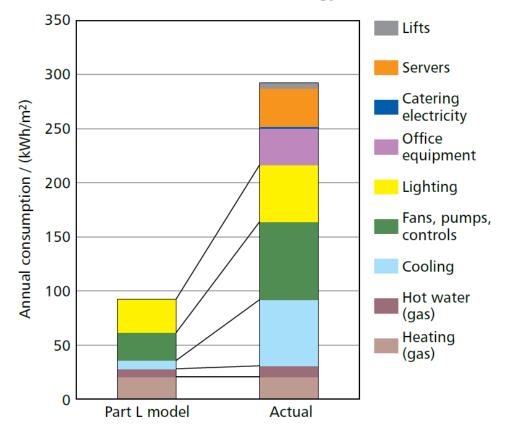
- Created for comparative assessments and benchmarking
- Major driver for energy modelling of buildings in the UK
- Compliance calculation results often mistakenly interpreted as predictions of energy use





## **Compliance Modelling**

Part L model versus actual energy use



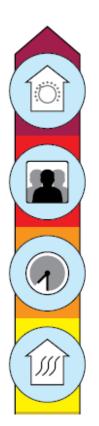
# Why Part L calculations are not suitable for energy projections:

- Totals only report on fixed building services, heating, hot water, cooling, ventilation, lighting only.
- Calculations use standardised assumptions and schedules (NCM based)

Using Part L calculations as the design baseline can lead to a perception of an inflated performance gap



#### Reasons why Part L calculations differ from operation energy use (CIBSE TM54 / CarbonBuzz)

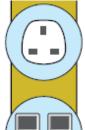


Building management and related training, commissioning, controls and metering have a major impact on how long and at what intensity services or equipment operate each day

Occupant density beyond compliance assumptions can affect energy usage but can be difficult to estimate or verify

Operating hours beyond those assumed in compliance calculations, including intermittent occupancy, are not required to be considered for compliance

**Special functions** are specialist activities that can cause a major increase in energy consumption such as lifts, swimming pools, medical equipment, etc



Small power equipment including plug loads and other electrical equipment are excluded from the compliance stage totals

ICT including servers, telecoms, security, etc. can have a major impact on energy use

Assumptions and simplifications in the energy model (e.g. weather, infiltration etc.) can increase or reduce enegy use



Part L calculations include heating, hot water, cooling, ventilation and fixed lighting at set occupancy and opening hours



#### CIBSE TM54



Guidance on performing predictive energy modelling during the design stage

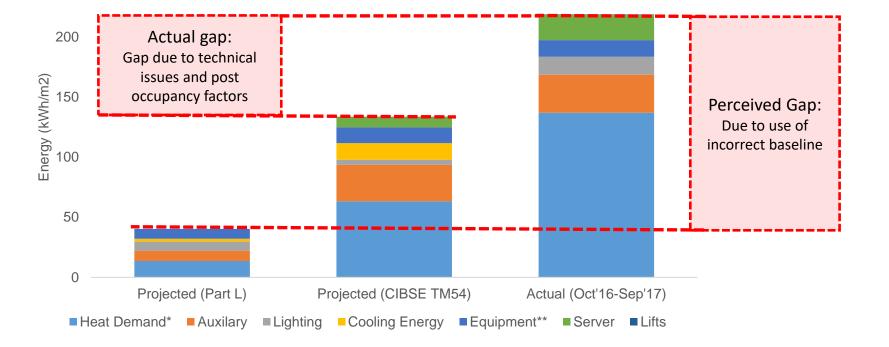
- Uses building specific model data and operational parameters such as occupancy, schedules, lighting power, and plug loads
- Results include unregulated energy end uses such as plug loads, servers, security, external lighting, lifts



#### **Perceived Performance Gap**

Case study school





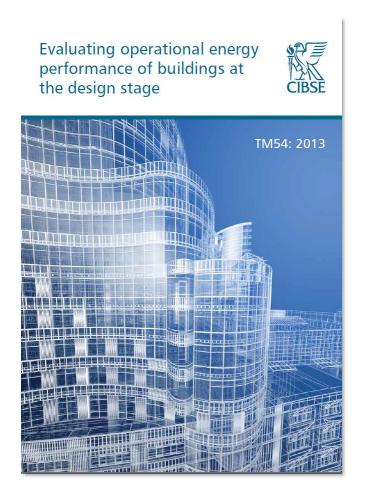
\*Heat demand used instead of heating energy; \*\*Equipment includes cooling and heating energy use of VRF system in some zones

Source: Jain, N., Burman, E., Mumovic, D., Davies, M., & Tindale, A. (2018). Comparative analysis of protocols used in measurement and verification of energy performance: Dealing with practical issues of data availability and granularity in a UK school building. Cambridge, UK: 4th IBPSA-England conference Building Simulation and Optimization (BSO) 2018.

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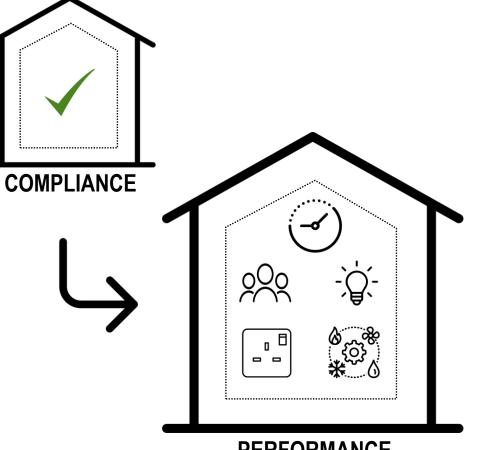
### CIBSE TM54



Primary recommendations of CIBSE TM54 are:

- Better calculations
  - Use Dynamic Simulation Models (like DesignBuilder)
  - Source complete and accurate data for operational parameters.
- Better presentation and explanations
  - Explore multiple scenarios by determining high and low estimates for inputs
  - Undertake sensitivity analysis
  - Compare results against existing benchmarks





#### PERFORMANCE

# Modelling

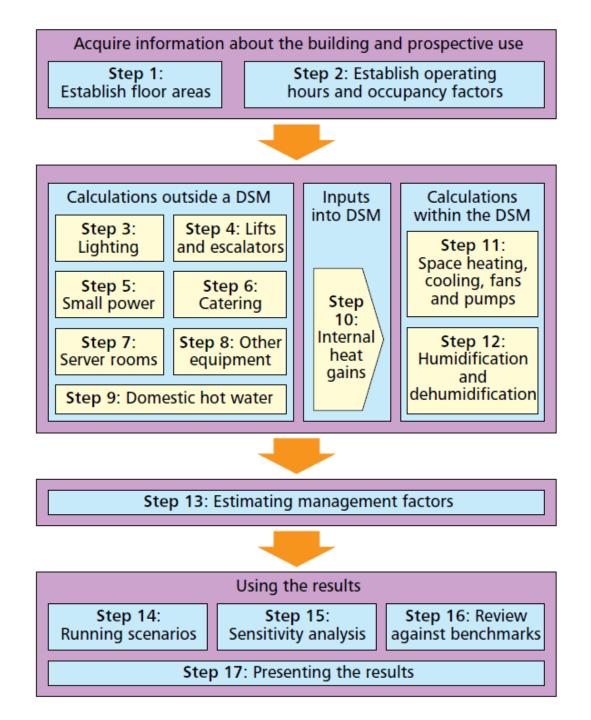
Overview of the compliance model Repurposing in accordance with TM54 Calculation results



### TM54 modelling prerequisites



- Full dynamic thermal simulation software, e.g. DesignBuilder Software
- Information from stakeholders about likely operations and management regimes
- List of probable high and low energy use changes for scenarios and sensitivity analysis
- Identified benchmarks for relevant building type



#### TM54 Methodology

#### Source: CIBSE TM54 11





- □ Location (weather) data
- □ Operating hours and occupancy
- ☐ Lighting (load and operation)
- □ Small power (load and operation)
- □ Lifts, escalators & other equipment (load and operation)
- □ Server (load and operation)

TM54 baseline

- ☐ Heating and cooling system operation
- □ Fan power and operations
- □ Hot water consumption
- □ Detail HVAC system design (optional)

- Overall management quality
- □ HVAC system efficiency
- Control inefficiency in HVAC system (e.g. heating when windows open)
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- □ CIBSE TM46: Energy Benchmarks
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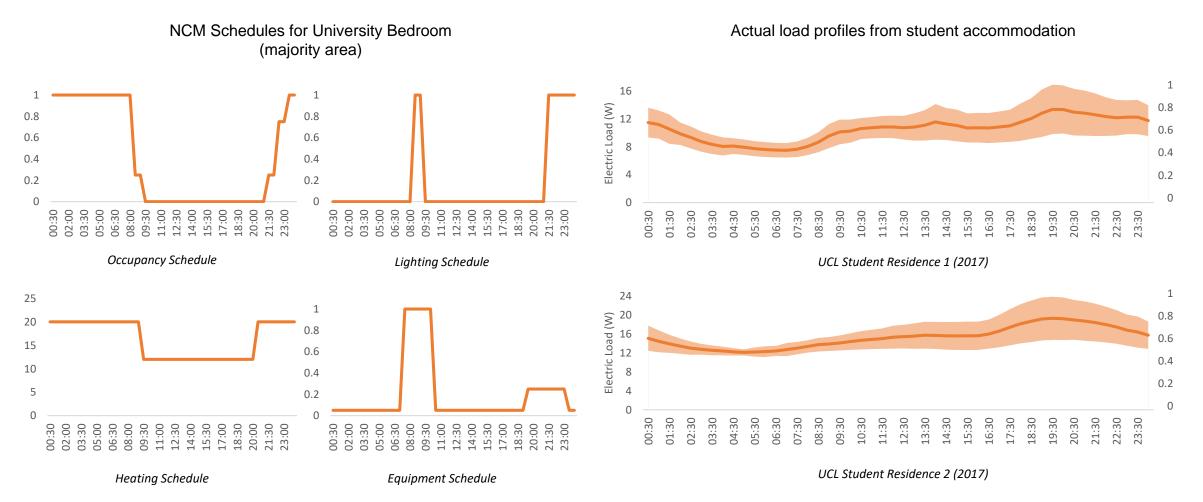
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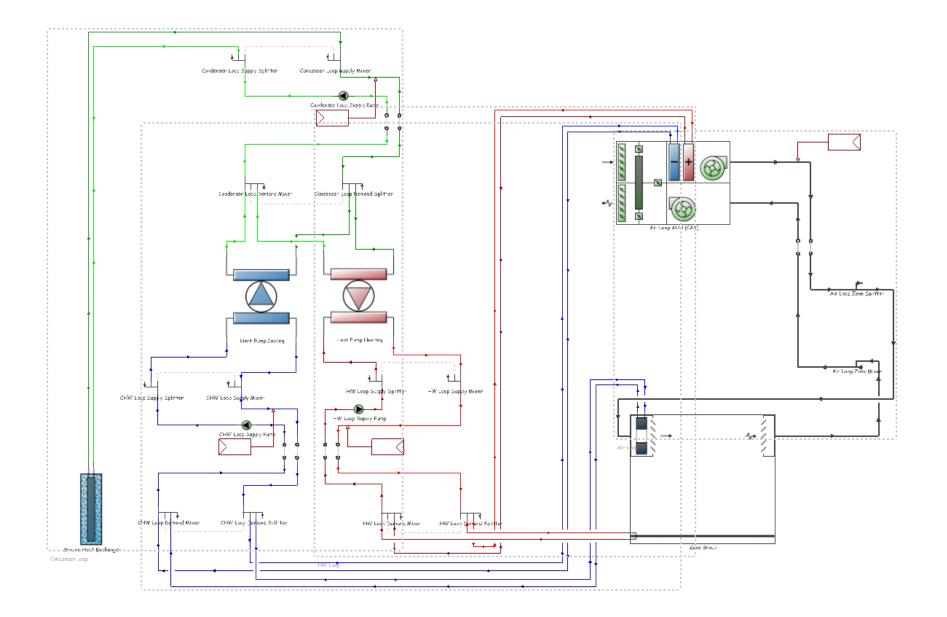
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# Detailed HVAC system design





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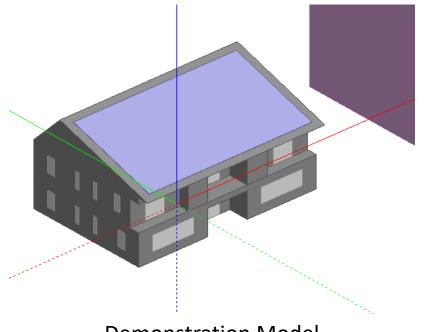
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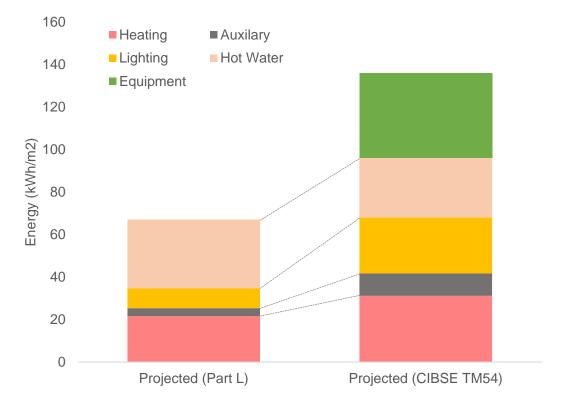
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#### Projected energy use, Part L vs TM54



**Demonstration Model** 





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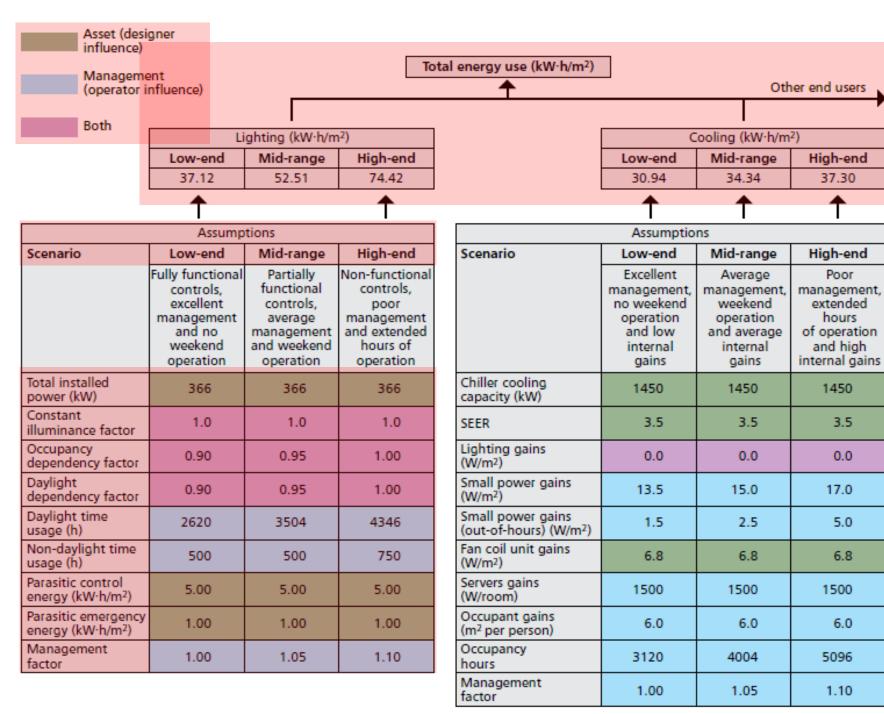
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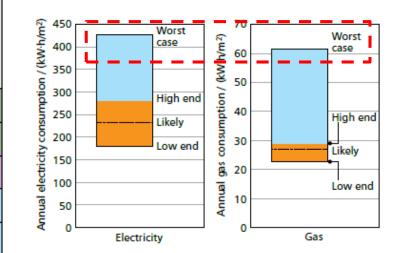
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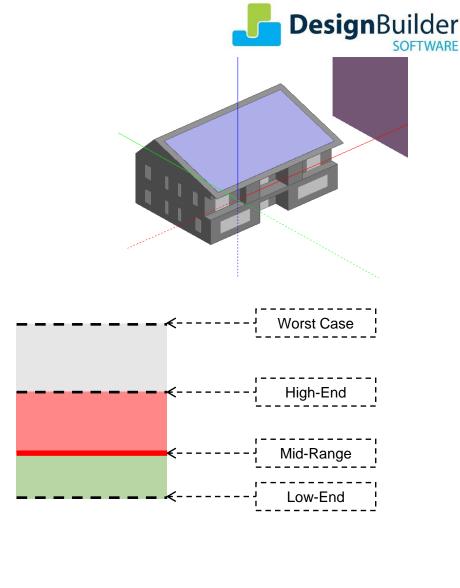
Scenario/Sensitivity



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# Table for scenarios



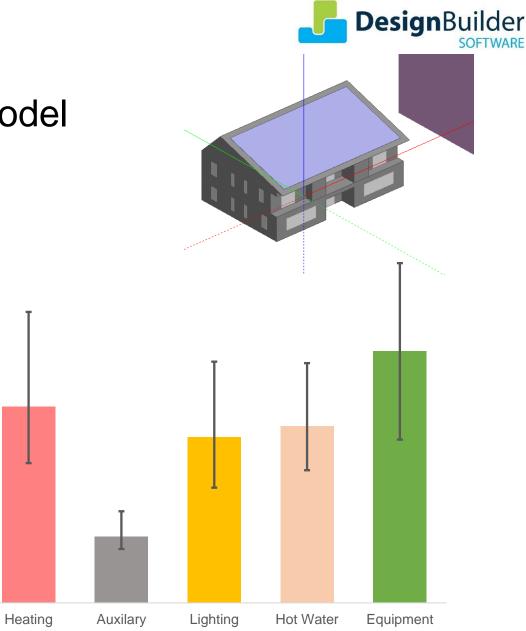


#### Projected (CIBSE TM54)

Energy (kWh/m2)

#### Scenario analysis of the demonstration model

Category	Low	Medium	High
Occupancy number	1	2	3
Occupancy hours	8-10	12-14	16-18
Heating EER	3.5	3.5	2.5
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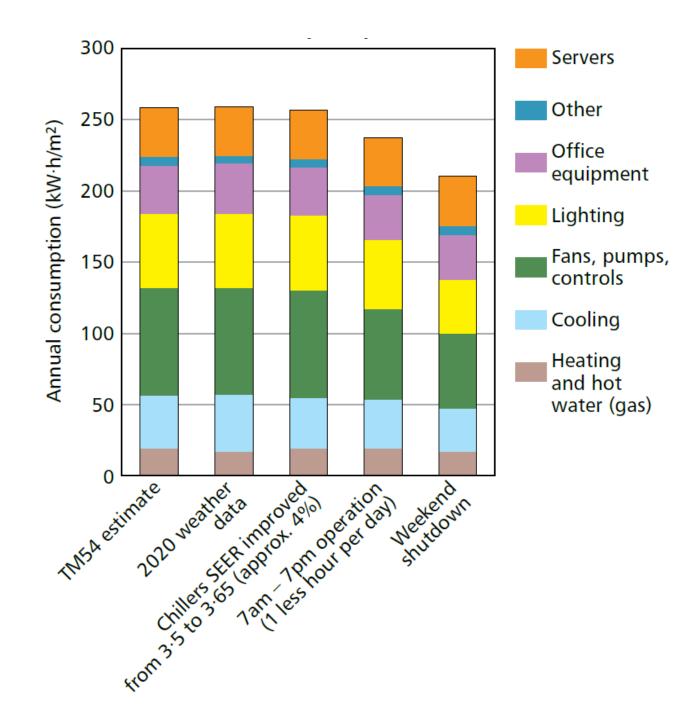


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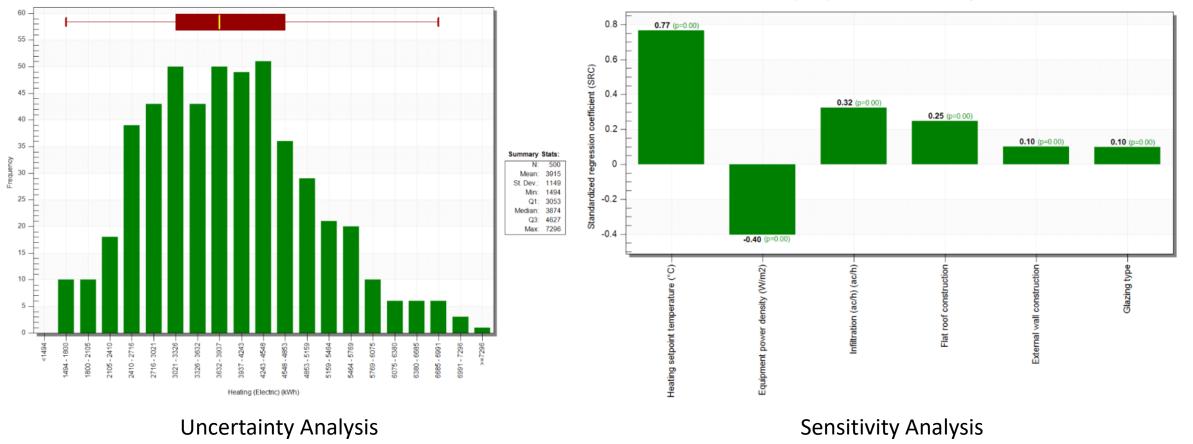
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#### Sensitivity Analysis





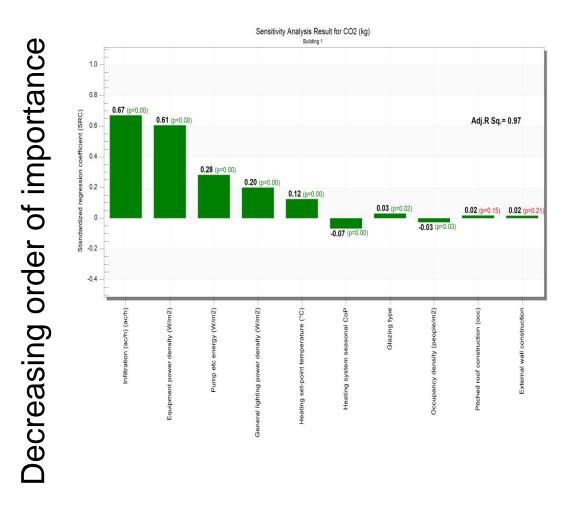
Uncertainty Analysis - Distribution of Heating (kWh)

Sensitivity Analysis - Distribution of Heating (kWh)



# Sensitivity Results

- Fabric Infiltration
- Small power equipment load density
- Load requirement of pumps and vents
- Lighting equipment load density
- Setpoint temperatures
- Efficiency of Heating System
- Windows and vents thermal performance
- Occupancy density
- Thermal performance of roof
- Thermal performance of wall





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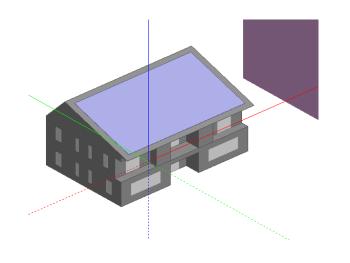
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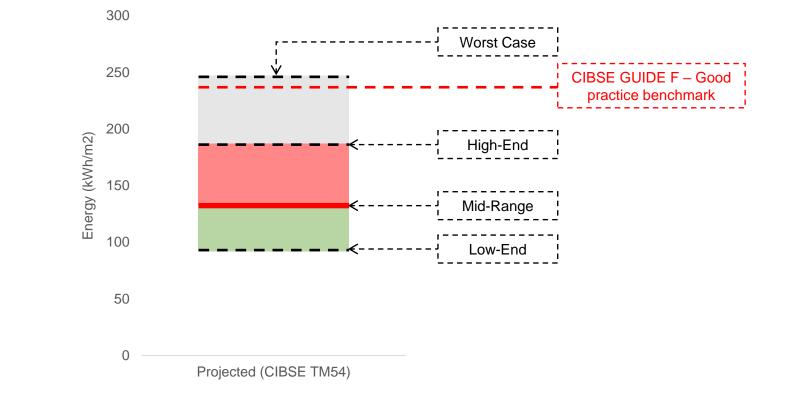
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Benchmark



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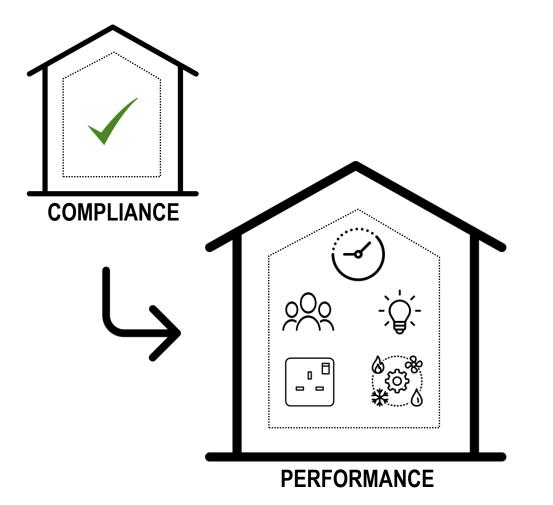






### Conclusion

- Compliance models and performance models serve different purposes
- Repurposing compliance model as per TM54 requires changes to NCM defaults
- Scenario and sensitivity analysis can provide information for more informed decisions
- Comparing against the benchmark data contextualises the building performance







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