

Feb 22, 2024 | [\[Task 3\] \(Emulator Development\) IBPSA project 2 monthly meeting](#)

Attendees:

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	Jelger Jansen	
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	Bart Merema	
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Action items

- ~~Current Emulator developments update~~
- Show the [application form](#) for new emulators submission for final approval within the group
- Start discussion on updating review document for emulators (i.e. add SPAWN section, add control "stress testing")
 - Go through review document together and collect suggestions
 - Automatic testing setup similar to what is done in [benchmarking PR](#)

- ~~Start discussion on setting up "Help me" time for emulator developers to solve various issues apart from the monthly meetings~~
 - Buildings discussions tab example:
<https://github.com/lbl-srg/modelica-buildings/discussions/categories/q-a>

Notes

- **Current Emulator developments**

- Multizone Hydronic Simple [Bart, Iago]
 - Emulator is close to being finished. FMU compiles and runs. Iago will work on resolving minor issues with flow rates and nominal powers. David is updating unit tests and documentation.
- Large Office [Yan, Xing] –
 - Xing implemented an infiltration model and CO2, and might continue the implementation of ASHRAE G36 control sequences. Simulation stopped at 363 days for Kun during review reason TBD.
- ADRENALIN Emulators and general update [Harald] – no update.
- DOPTTEST [Javier]
 - Made PR to have new API call for disaggregated KPIs
- Twozone Apartment Hydronic [Ettore]
 - Laura probably not able to work on it anymore, Ettore will ask for the most recent model and try to implement it himself.

- **Testcase application form**

Ettore will wait until the beginning of next week to receive feedback on the form ([application form](#)), then will send an email to the google group encouraging people to submit an application.

- **Improving review process**

General comments on review document:

- Review document questions should be as specific as possible
- Possible convert review document into modeler checklist+review document (add new column)
- Tag questions into strict requirements (i.e. CO2 modelling) and design choices
- Add KPI to be included into Testcase configuration file (excluded KPIs will be None)
- Think about a script that automatically generates random control sequences (between min and max), then selects random periods of the year. Simulates and plots results.

Ettore will take a look at current review document and try to propose some modifications according to suggestions given during the meeting:

Climate:

If it is not a TMY file, are there any holes in the data? Is it compliant with Energy plus weather style? Does radiation make sense?

If it is TMY file, is it the most recent available (year)

Example of updating to more specific questions:

Current question (Occupancy schedule?), can be changed to (is there an occupancy schedule)

Current question (Insulation level reasonable?), possible updated question (given the the type of building is the insulation level reasonable, is it in the right position?)

- **“Help me” time for emulator developers**

Ettore proposed to open a discussion forum on the BOPTTEST GitHub repository (similar to the one for the buildings <https://github.com/lbl-srg/modelica-buildings/discussions/categories/q-a>). David liked the idea and will look into it. Ettore can help set up the discussion forum. This will help with general BOPTTEST questions and testcase specific questions.

Iago mentioned that there should be a notification process setup to get a heads up when a request is submitted.