

A Study on the Control of Water Flow and Water Temperature in the Radiant Cooling System through Simulations

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ABSTRACT: The objectives of this study are to analyze the control variables according to condensation occurrence, to find the range in floor surface temperature and frequency of condensation, and to evaluate the control methods through simulations when the radiant heating system is used for cooling. Through the simulation analysis the control methods such as on/off control, variable flow control and outdoor reset with indoor temperature feedback control are evaluated and compared.

The results show that the lowest floor surface temperature is around 23 °C, the surface condensation can be prevented by controlling indoor humidity within 20 g/kg (DA), and that outdoor reset with indoor temperature feedback control is more appropriate than on/off control and variable flow control with regard to prevention of the condensation and thermal comfort.

Key words: Radiant cooling system(), On/off control(On/off), Variable flow control(), Outdoor reset with indoor temperature feedback control()

<hr style="border: 1px solid black;"/>	<hr style="border: 1px solid black;"/>	\dot{m}_w : [kg/sec]
\dot{q} : [W]		C_{pw} : [J/kg °C]
A_f : [m ²]		T_{wi} : [°C]
δx_o : [m]		T_m : [°C]
ϵ_{PNL} :		ρ_{air} : [kg/m ³]
		C_{air} : [J/kg °C]
		V_{room} : [m ³]
		T_{room}^{p+1} : [°C]
		T_{room}^p : [°C]

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Δt	:	[sec]	
q_h	:	[W]	
q_{infil}	:	[W]	
q_{supply}	:	[W]	
q_{c-p}	:	[W]	
q_{c-l}	:	[W]	2.
q_{c-e}	:	[W]	2.1
VOL	:	[m ³]	(2)
x_R	:	[kg/kg (DA)]	
x_a	:	[kg/kg (DA)]	
G_o	:	[kg/s]	
LH	:	[kg/s]	
T_{water}	:	[]	(reset ratio)
T_{out}	:	[]	
RR	:	(reset ratio)	
T_{do}	:	[]	3
T_{dw}	:	[]	가
T_{shift}	:	[]	
e	:	[]	, on/off
X	:	(0 1)	2
M_{flow}	:	[m ³ /hr]	on/off
$M_{flow\ max}$:	[m ³ /hr]	가 (equal percentage character- istic)
ΔP_{flow}	:	[kg/cm ²]	가
$\Delta P_{flow\ max}$:	[kg/cm ²]	가 on/off 가

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Fig. 1

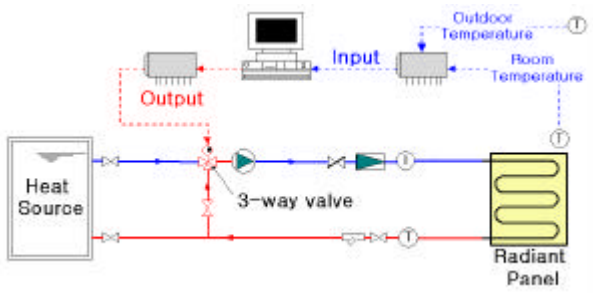


Fig. 1 Schematic diagram of water temperature control.

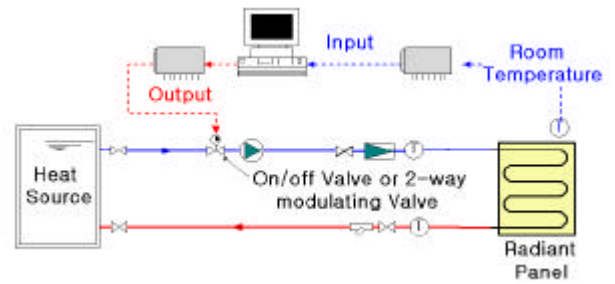


Fig. 2 Schematic diagram of water flow control.

Fig. 2

, on/off
2 (2-way modulating valve)

(3)

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3.1.1

$$\dot{q} \cdot A_f \cdot \delta x_o = \epsilon_{PNL} \dot{m}_w C_{pw} (T_{wi} - T_m) \quad (1)$$

$$\rho_{air} \cdot C_{air} \cdot V_{room} \frac{T_{room}^{p+1} - T_{room}^p}{\Delta t} = \sum q_h + q_{infil} + q_{supply} + q_{c-p} + q_{c-l} + q_{c-e} \quad (2)$$

$$\rho \cdot VOL \frac{dx_R}{dt} = G_o(x_a - x_R) + \sum LH \quad (3)$$

(3)

3.1.2

(1)

Effectiveness-NTU (1) fin (4)

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Modified thermal balance model⁽⁵⁾

A/D

2-way , on/

off

(2)

3-way

D/A

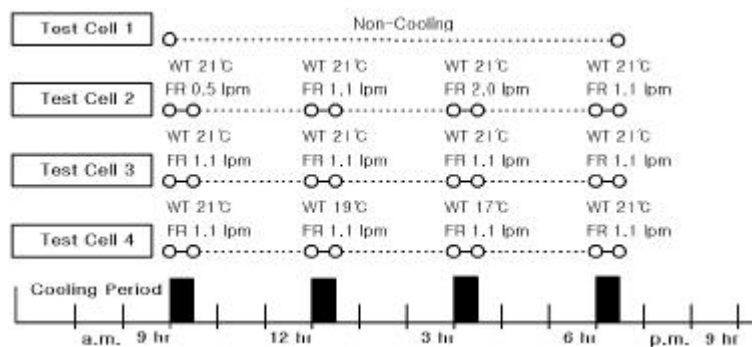


Fig. 3 Time schedule in experiment for program validation.

Table 1 Simulation program validation results

		Room Temp. ()	Floor Surface Temp.()	Relative Humidity (%)
Test Cell 1	Test	26.7	26.8	77.5
	Simulation	27.2	27.0	74.3
	Difference	0.4	0.2	3.2
Test Cell 2	Test	26.2	25.7	77.4
	Simulation	26.5	25.9	77.3
	Difference	0.3	0.2	0.1
Test Cell 3	Test	26.2	25.7	75.7
	Simulation	26.7	26.0	74.3
	Difference	0.5	0.3	1.4
Test Cell 4	Test	26.0	25.7	75.4
	Simulation	26.5	25.8	74.7
	Difference	0.5	0.1	0.7

(2)

Fig. 3

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0.5, 3.2%

3.2

32

Table 2

Table 2 Simulation program input data

Item	Input data	
Model House	Location	Central housing unit on a typical floor
	Orientation	South
	Model room	Master bedroom (area : 18.0 m ² , ceiling height : 2.3 m)
Weather	Seoul Standard Weather Data ⁽⁸⁾	
Air Change Rate	Natural ventilation	27 ACH
	Radiant cooling	1 ACH
People ⁽⁷⁾	Convection	21.3 W/person
	Radiation	49.7 W/person
	Latent	45 W/person
	Number	2 persons
Lighting ⁽⁷⁾	Convection	11.8 W/m ²
	Radiation	9.2 W/m ²
Equipment	Convection	8.3 W/m ²
	Radiation	8.3 W/m ²
	Latent	0 W/m ²
Operation Conditions	Method	Continuous cooling
	Flow rate	1.1 lpm × 2
	Set point	26

$$T_{water} = RR (T_{out} - T_{do}) + T_{dw} \quad (4)$$

$$T_{water} - T_{shift} = RR (T_{out} - T_{shift}) \quad (5)$$

$$T_{shift} = K_p e + K_i \int e dt + K_d \frac{de}{dt} \quad (6)$$

$$\pm 1 \quad \text{on/off}$$

$$(7)$$

$$2 \quad (6)$$

$$(8)$$

$$(4) \quad (RR)$$

$$(T_{shift}) \quad (5), (6)$$

$$\frac{M_{flow} / \sqrt{\Delta P_{flow}}}{M_{flow\ max} / \sqrt{\Delta P_{flow\ max}}} = e^{k(1-X)} \quad (7)$$

$$X = K_p e + K_i \int e dt + K_d \frac{de}{dt} \quad (8)$$

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Fig. 4

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Fig. ASHRAE⁽⁹⁾

ISO⁽¹⁰⁾

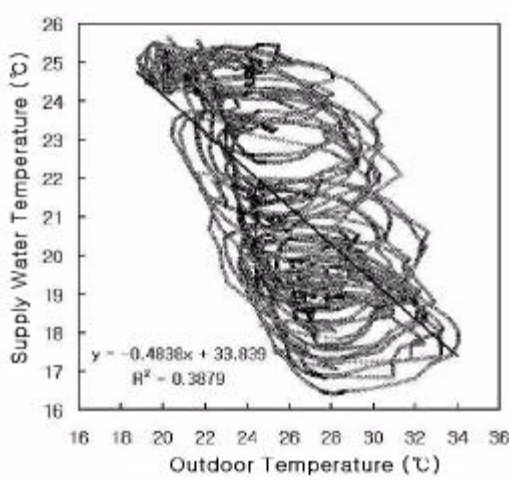


Fig. 4 Relation between the outdoor temperature and the supply water temperature.

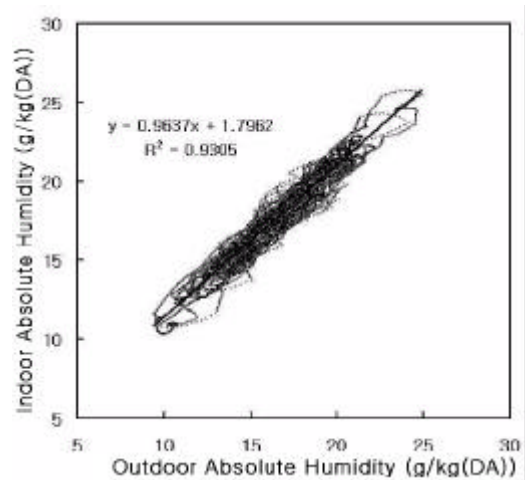


Fig. 6 Relation between the outdoor absolute humidity and the indoor absolute humidity.

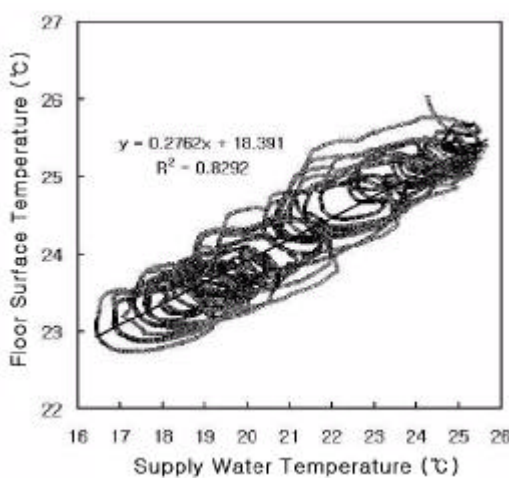


Fig. 5 Relation between the supply water temperature and the floor surface temperature.

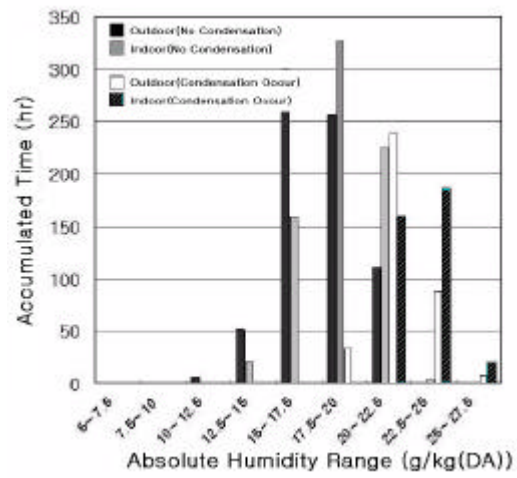


Fig. 7 Distribution of accumulated time in indoor and outdoor absolute humidity range according to condensation occurrence.

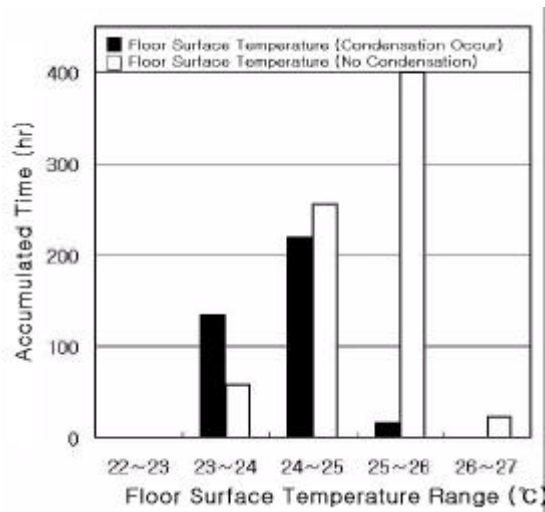


Fig. 8 Distribution of accumulated time in the floor surface temperature range according to the condensation occurrence.

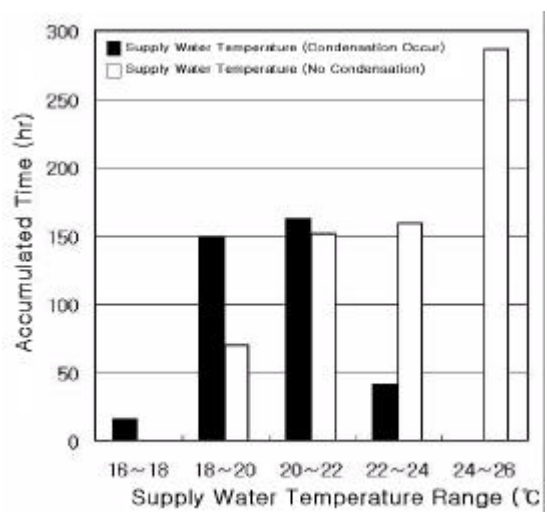


Fig. 9 Distribution of accumulated time in the supply water temperature range according to condensation occurrence.

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Fig. 7 가 20 g/kg (DA) 가 , 가 20 g/kg (DA)

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Fig. 10 가

Fig. 8 , PMV , 가 25 , ± 1 , on/off

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Fig. 9

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Fig. 11

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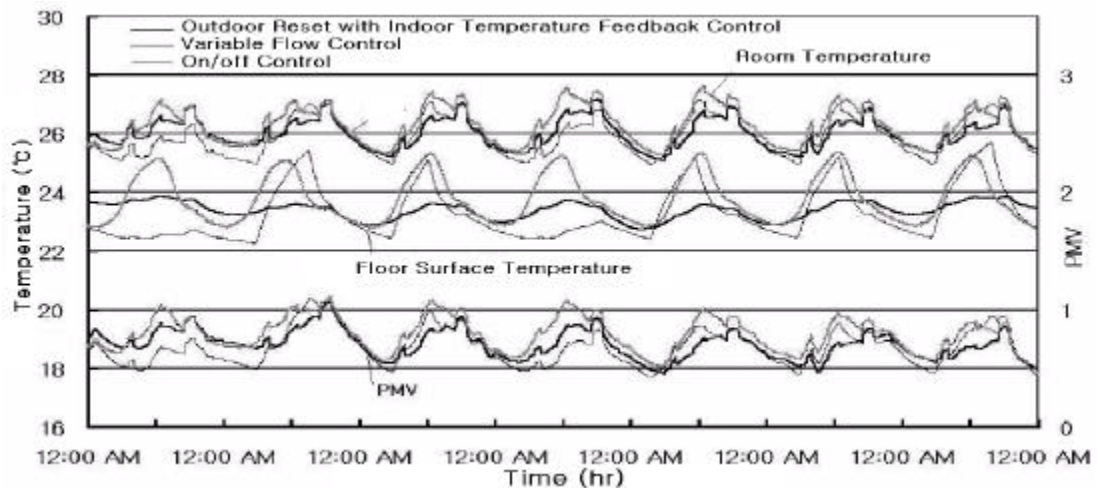


Fig. 10 Comparison of room temperature, floor surface temperature and PMV.

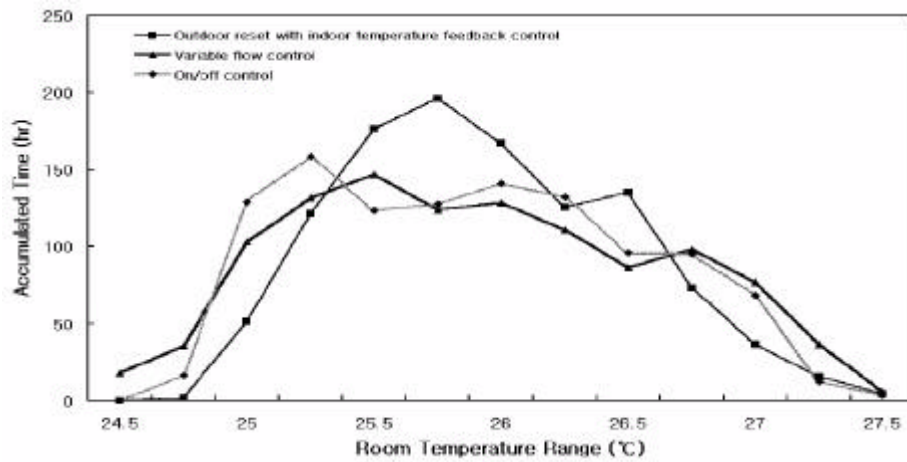


Fig. 11 Comparison of accumulated time in room temperature range.

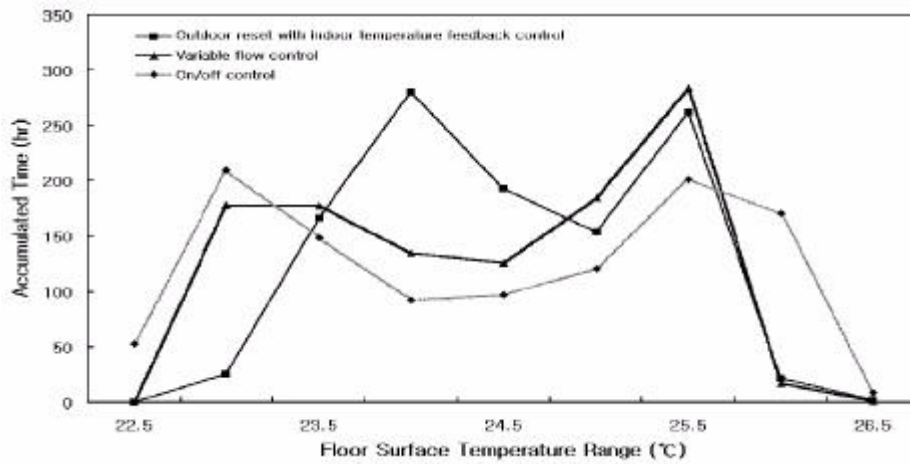


Fig. 12 Comparison of accumulated time in floor surface temperature.

Table 3 Comparison of accumulated time of condensation frequency, room temperature, floor surface temperature and PMV

		On/off control		Variable flow control		Outdoor reset with indoor temperature feedback control
		Water supply	Water stop	Open	Fully closed	
Accumulated time of condensation (hr)		284.6	59.5	314.9	19.0	287.3
		344.0		333.9		
Room Temp. (°C)	Average	25.7		25.7		25.9
	STDEV	0.7		0.7		0.5
	Maximum	27.5		27.2		27.4
	Minimum	24.3		24.1		24.3
Floor Surface Temp. (°C)	Average	24.3		24.2		24.6
	STDEV	1.0		0.8		0.6
	Maximum	26.0		25.6		25.5
	Minimum	22.5		22.6		22.5
PMV (hr)	0 0.2	6.0		39.5		10.0
	0.2 0.4	196.0		233.5		141.0
	0.4 0.6	490.5		467.0		516.0
	0.6 0.8	413.5		376.5		493.5
	0.8 1.0	166.0		155.5		110.5

*Total analysis time is 1,271 hours

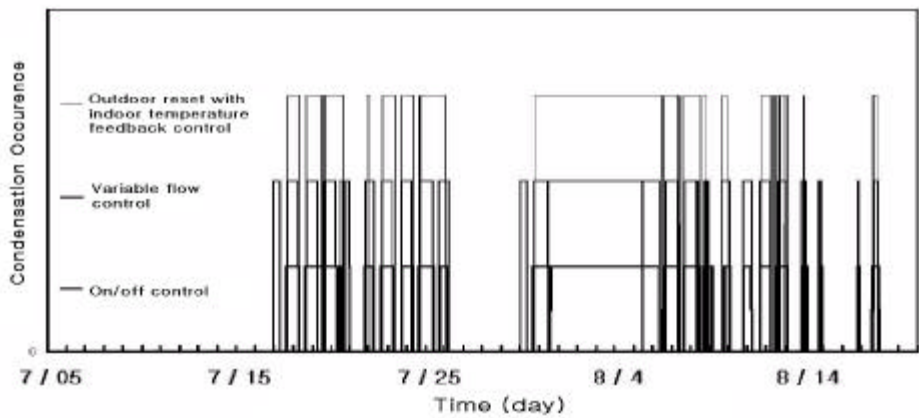


Fig. 13 Comparison of condensation occurrence.

Fig. 12 가 (22 24 , 78%가 가 on/off , 67% 가 on/off 가 on/off 가

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4.3.2 PMV

Table 3

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PMV

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Fig.

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4.3.3

Table 3

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20 g/kg (DA)

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Fig. 12

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on/off

73%,

가

75%,

(3)

on/off

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