

Active Roof System

Midpoint Review

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Brief Project Description

- Amount of power consumption due to cooling and heating of large warehouse buildings is too high
 - Project will investigate roof designs that will lower this power consumption
 - Control, Passive & Active Roofs

Finalized Testing Methods

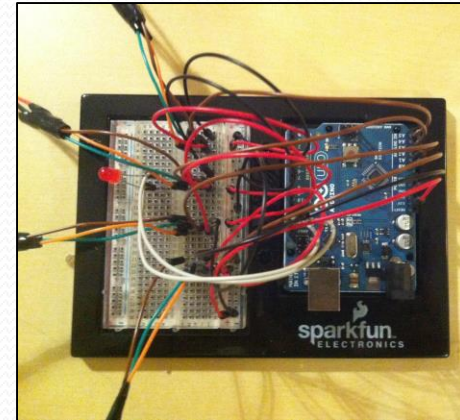
- Ideally testing in simulated, controlled environment
 - Indoors using a simulated sun
 - Testing one prototype roof at a time, 3 times
 - Total of 9 tests
- Testing will represent an expedited day
 - Only 2 hours long
 - Manually move “sun” into new position every 5 minutes
 - Each move is approx. 6 inches

Team Job Assignments

Team Member	Job Assignment 1	Job Assignment 2
Mohammed	Temperature Measurement System	Power Usage Programming (Audriuno Board)
Coy	Construction of Prototype Building	Construction of Simulated Sun
Donovan	Construction of Prototype Building	A/C System Design & Construction
Marissa	Construction of Prototype Building	Construction of Roof Panels
Krysten	Active Roof Rotation Design & Construction	Forming a Hypothesis (Heat Transfer Analysis)

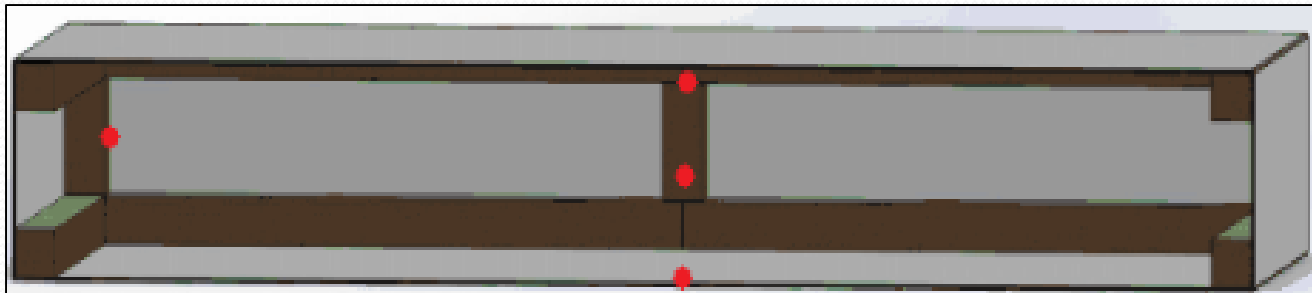
Temperature Measurement System

- UNO Arduino
- 4 TMP36 Thermoisters
 - 2 are 5 ft long
 - 2 are 7 ft long
- Arduino programmed to
 - Read temperatures
 - Send signals to the A/C
 - Calculate the time when the A/C is running



Temperature Measurement System Cont.

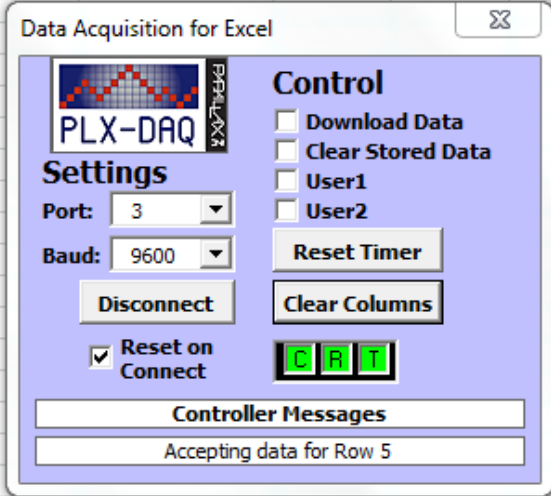
- Location of sensors
 - One at the corner
 - One at the middle attached to the roof
 - One at the middle between the roof and the ground
 - One at the middle attached to the ground



Temperature Measurement System Cont.

- PLX-DAQ (Data acquisition)
 - Write data in separate columns to Excel
 - Record data instantly

	A	B	C	D	E	F
		Temperature-1	Tempera	Tempera	Tempera	elapsedT
1	Time	(F)	ture-2 (F)	ture-3 (F)	ture-4 (F)	ime
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The screenshot shows the PLX-DAQ software interface overlaid on an Excel spreadsheet. The spreadsheet contains a table with columns for Time, Temperature-1 (F), Temperature-2 (F), Temperature-3 (F), Temperature-4 (F), and elapsed Time (milis). The data is recorded from 18:47:44 to 18:48:24. The software interface includes a 'Control' section with checkboxes for 'Download Data', 'Clear Stored Data', 'User1', and 'User2', and buttons for 'Reset Timer' and 'Clear Columns'. The 'Settings' section shows 'Port: 3' and 'Baud: 9600'. A 'Disconnect' button is also present. A 'Reset on Connect' checkbox is checked. The 'Controller Messages' section shows 'Accepting data for Row 5'. The PLX-DAQ logo is visible in the top left of the software window.

Prototype Building Construction

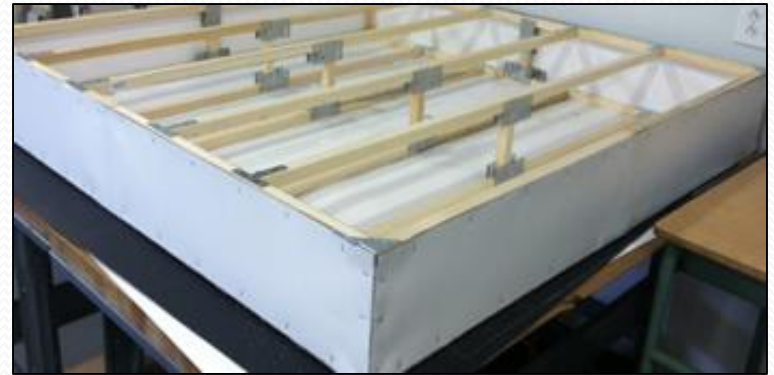
- Beginning framework and walls (everyone's job)



Prototype Building Construction Cont.

Prototype Building

- Simpson Strong - Tie
2 x 4 in Steel mending plate.
- 8 - Everbilt 2 in. Zinc Plated Heavy Duty Corner Braces.
- 16 - Hillman Group 4 x 4 in Zinc Plated T-plates.



Simulated Sun

Lighting System

- 16 - 200W Incandescent light bulbs
- 16 - Leviton Black Weatherproof Sockets



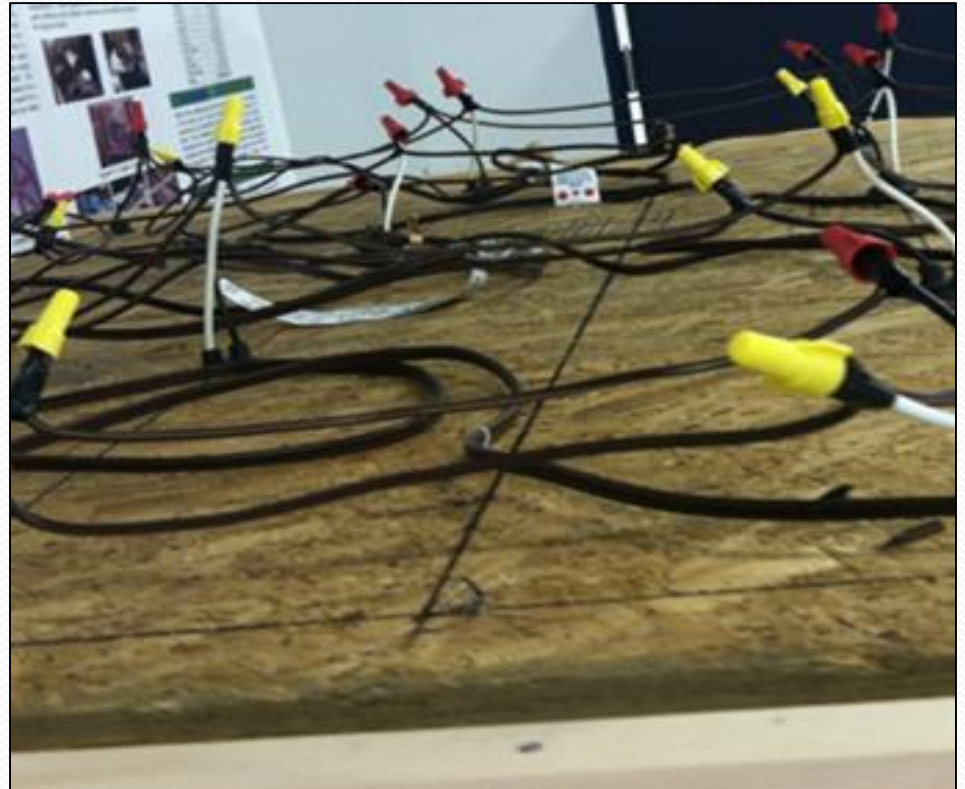
Simulated Sun Cont.

Electrical Connections

- 32 - winged wire assortment
- 4 - extension cords

Approx. Dimensions

- 4' wide x 6' long
- 6' tall



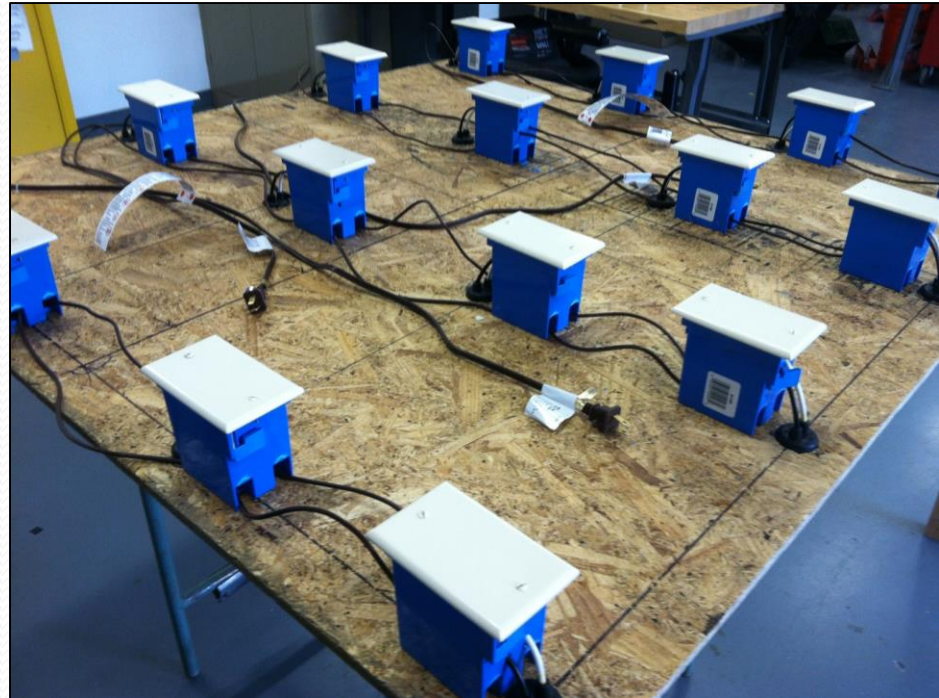
Simulated Sun Cont.

Electrical Boxes

- Added for safety

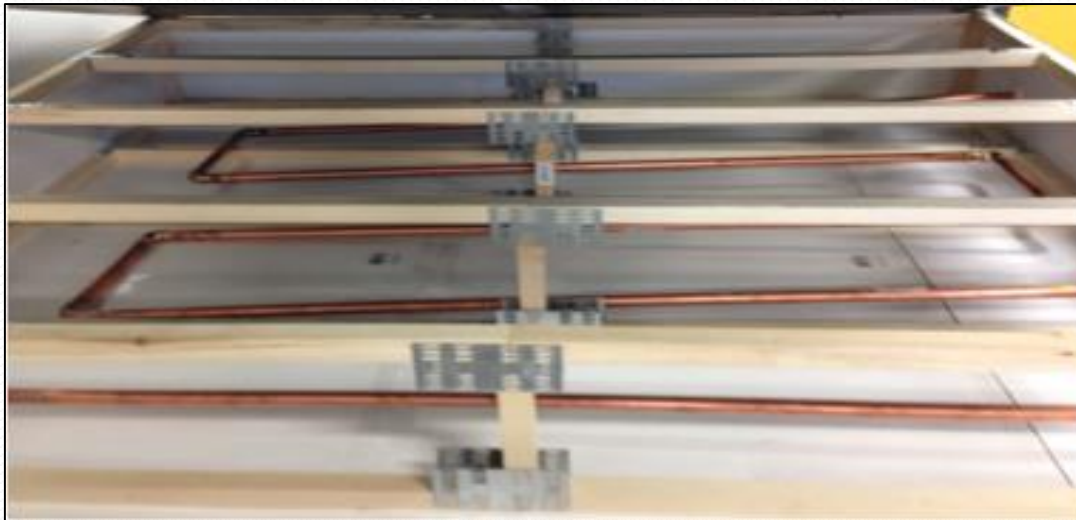
Power Source

- Mobile generator
(from ASME)



A/C System

- Serpentine layout
- 1/2in Copper piping
- Centralized location for even cooling



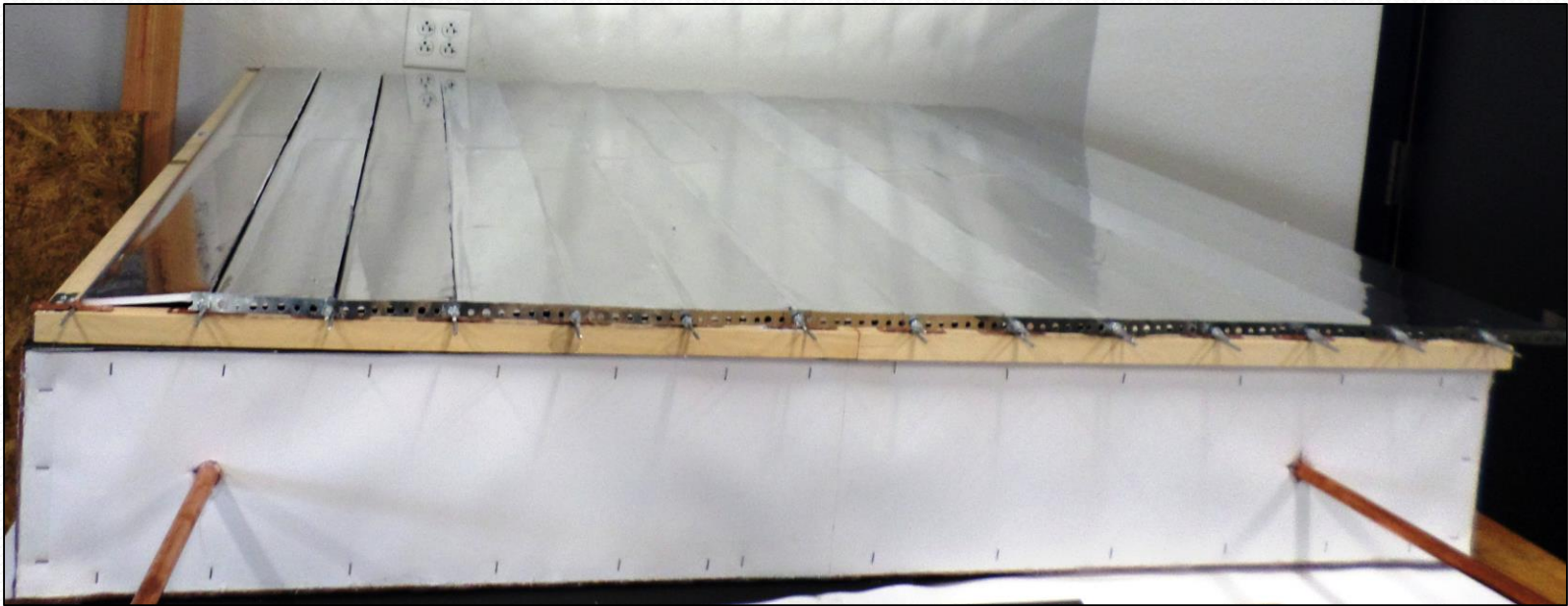
A/C System Cont.

- Radiant Cooling
- ~32°F (ice) water pumped through the piping
- Fans may be used to improve cooling power
- Connected to arduino to control on/off

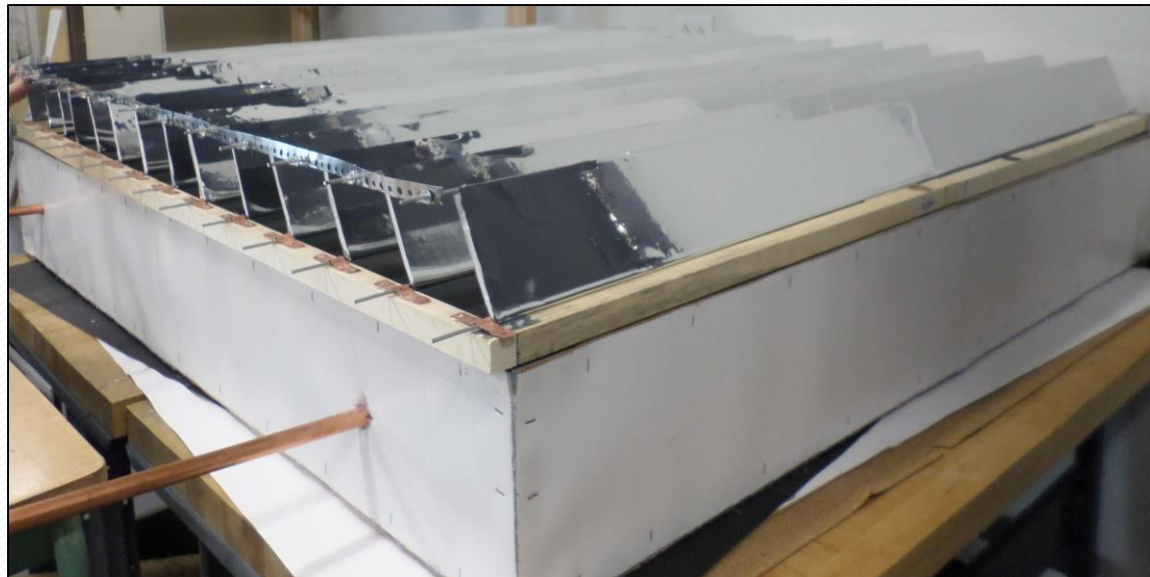


Active Roof System

- Manually operated using lever arm system
 - Black roof with 14 rotating, reflective panels
 - Will be moved every 5 minutes to new angle



Active Roof System Cont.



Current Budget Spent

Category	Cost
Wood	\$262.04
Fasteners	\$156.63
Cutting Tools	\$19.75
Prototype Walls	\$268.66
Active Roof	\$135.36
Simulated Sun	\$151.99
A/C System	\$151.18

TOTAL (before tax): \$1,145.61

Total after taxes: \$1,227.58

Current Spring Timeline

	January			February				March				April		
Task Name	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
Gathering Materials	●—————●													
Further Designing		●—————●												
Construction of Prototypes				●—————●										
Testing Prototypes										●—————●				
Preparing for UGRADS											●—————●			
Final Presentation of Results													◇	

Conclusions

- Testing each prototype 3 times
 - Each test is 2 hours long
 - Using simulated sun
- Temperature measurement system uses 4 thermocouples placed at strategic positions
 - Uses readings to control A/C system pump
- A/C system uses ice water flowing through copper tubing assembled in a serpentine design
 - Fans might be added depending on initial testing

Conclusions Cont.

- Prototype Building is complete and build to plan
 - Except extra internal support beams were added
- Simulated Sun consists of 16 200W light bulbs
 - Entire bulb set up will move every 5 minutes
- Active roof system will now be rotated manually every 5 minutes
- Current budget spent = \$1,227.58