ticularly important, as the temperature gradient from floor to breathing-level to ceiling may depend to a large extent on whether direct radiation, unit heaters or warm air is used, and in the latter case, whether the air is moved mechanically or by gravity.

It is impracticable to establish rigid rules for determining the temperature difference to use in all cases. However, for residences and structures having ceiling heights under 10 ft, the comparatively small temperature differential between the breathing level and ceiling generally may be neglected without serious error. For higher ceilings, an allowance of approximately 1 per cent per foot of height above the breathing level may be made for ceiling heights up to 15 ft and approximately $\frac{1}{10}$ of 1 deg per foot of height above this level. The values in Table 3 are calculated on this basis. For direct radiation and gravity warm air systems, the allowance should be increased from 50 per cent to 100 per cent over those given in Table 3. These rules should, however, be used with considerable discretion.

Table 3. Approximate Temperature Differentials Between Breathing Level and Ceiling, Applicable to Certain Types of Heating Systems[a]

Ceiling Height (Ft)	Breathing Level Temperature (5 ft Above Floor)									
	60	65	70	72	74	76	78	80	85	90
10	3.0	3.3	3.5	3.6	3.7	3.8	3.9	4.0	4.3	4.5
11	3.6	3.9	4.2	4.3	4.4	4.6	4.7	4.8	5.1	5.4
12	4.2	4.6	4.9	5.0	5.2	5.3	5.5	5.6	6.0	6.3
13	4.8	5.2	5.6	5.8	5.9	6.1	6.2	6.4	6.8	7.2
14	5.4	5.9	6.3	6.5	6.7	6.8	7.0	7.2	7.7	8.1
15	6.0	6.5	7.0	7.2	7.4	7.6	7.8	8.0	8.5	9.0
16	6.1	6.6	7.1	7.3	7.5	7.7	7.9	8.1	8.6	9.1
17	6.2	6.7	7.2	7.4	7.6	7.8	8.0	8.2	8.7	9.2
18	6.3	6.8	7.3	7.5	7.7	7.9	8.1	8.3	8.8	9.3
19	6.4	6.9	7.4	7.6	7.8	8.0	8.2	8.4	8.9	9.4
20	6.5	7.0	7.5	7.7	7.9	8.1	8.3	8.5	9.0	9.5
25	7.0	7.5	8.0	8.2	8.4	8.6	8.8	9.0	9.5	10.0
30	7.5	8.0	8.5	8.7	8.9	9.1	9.3	9.5	10.0	10.5
35	8.0	8.5	9.0	9.2	9.4	9.6	9.8	10.0	10.5	11.0
40	8.5	9.0	9.5	9.7	9.9	10.1	10.3	10.5	11.0	11.5
45	9.0	9.5	10.0	10.2	10.4	10.6	10.8	11.0	11.5	12.0
50	9.5	10.0	10.5	10.7	10.9	11.1	11.3	11.5	12.0	12.5

[a] The figures in this table are based on an increase of 1 per cent per foot of height above the breathing level (5 ft) up to 15 ft and $\frac{1}{10}$ of one degree for each foot above 15 ft. This table is generally applicable to forced air types of heating systems. For direct radiation or gravity warm air, increase values 50 per cent to 100 per cent.

Temperature at Floor Level. According to the University of Illinois Research Residence tests,[3] the temperature at the floor level ranged from about $2\frac{1}{2}$ to 6 deg below that at the breathing level, or somewhat greater than the difference between the breathing level and ceiling temperatures. Tests at the University of Wisconsin[4] indicated a somewhat smaller differential between the floor and breathing level temperatures. As a general rule, if the breathing level to ceiling temperature differential is neglected (as with ceiling heights under 10 ft), the breathing level floor differential may also be neglected, as the two are somewhat compensating, especially where both floor and ceiling heat losses are calculated for the same space. In other cases, the 10 ft temperature differentials in Table 3 may be used in arriving at the floor heat loss, these differentials to be subtracted from the breathing level temperature.

ATTIC TEMPERATURES

Frequently, it is necessary to estimate the attic temperature, and in such cases Equation 1 can be used for this purpose:

$$t_a = \frac{A_cU_ct_i + t_o(A_rU_r + A_wU_w + A_gU_g)}{A_cU_c + A_rU_r + A_wU_w + A_gU_g} \quad (1)$$

where

t_a = attic temperature, Fahrenheit degrees.

t_i = inside temperature near top floor ceiling, Fahrenheit degrees.

t_o = outside temperature, Fahrenheit degrees.

A_c = area of ceiling, square feet.

A_r = area of roof, square feet.

A_w = area of net vertical attic wall surface, square feet.

A_g = area of attic glass, square feet.

U_c = coefficient of transmission of ceiling, based on surface conductance of 2.20 (upper surface, see Chapter 9). 2.20 = reciprocal of one-half the air space resistance.

U_r = coefficient of transmission of roof, based on surface conductance of 2.20 (lower surface, see Chapter 9).

U_w = coefficient of transmission of vertical wall surface.

U_g = coefficient of transmission of glass.

Example 1. Calculate the temperature in an unheated attic, assuming the following conditions: $t_i = 70$; $t_o = 10$; $A_c = 1000$; $A_r = 1200$; $A_w = 100$; $A_g = 10$; $U_r = 0.50$; $U_c = 0.40$; $U_w = 0.30$; $U_g = 1.13$.

Solution: Substituting these values in Equation 1:

$$t_a = \frac{(1000 \times 0.40 \times 70) + 10[(1200 \times 0.50) + (100 \times 0.30) + (10 \times 1.13)]}{(1000 \times 0.40) + (1200 \times 0.50) + (100 \times 0.30) + (10 \times 1.13)}$$

$$t_a = \frac{34{,}413}{1041} = 33.1 \text{ F.}$$

Equation 1 neglects the effect of any interchange of air such as would take place through attic vents or louvers intended to preclude attic condensation. However, according to tests,[5] such venting of attics by means of small louvers or other small openings does not appreciably reduce the attic temperature and may be neglected without serious error. The attic temperature may be calculated in the usual manner by means of Equation 1, allowing the full value of the roof. The error resulting from this assumption will generally be considerably less than if the roof were neglected (as is sometimes the practice) and the attic temperature assumed to be the same as the outside temperature. When relatively large louvers are installed as is customary in the southern states, the attic temperature is often assumed as the average between inside and outside.

For a shorter, approximate method of calculating heat losses through attics, the combined ceiling and roof coefficient may be used as described in Chapter 9.

TEMPERATURES IN UNHEATED SPACES

The heat loss from heated rooms into unheated rooms or spaces must be based on the estimated or assumed temperature in such unheated