

properly installed. The architect or engineer must carefully evaluate the economic considerations involved in the selection of an insulating material as adapted to various building constructions. Lack of good judgment in the intelligent choice of an insulating material, or its improper installation, frequently represents the difference between good or unsatisfactory results. Refer to Chapter 7 for a discussion of wall condensation.

Computed Transmission Coefficients

Computed heat transmission coefficients of many common types of building construction are given in Tables 3 to 13, inclusive, each construction being identified by a serial number. For example, the coefficient of transmission (U) of an 8-in. brick wall and $\frac{1}{2}$ in. of plaster is 0.46, and the number assigned to a wall of this construction is 1-B, Table 3.

Example 1. Calculate the coefficient of transmission (U) of an 8-in. brick wall with $\frac{1}{2}$ in. of plaster applied directly to the interior surface, based on an outside wind exposure of 15 mph. It is assumed that the outside course is of hard (high density) brick having a conductivity of 9.20, and that the inside course is of common (low density) brick having a conductivity of 5.0, the thicknesses each being 4 in. The conductivity of the plaster is assumed to be 3.3, and the inside and outside surface coefficients are assumed to average 1.65 and 6.00, respectively, for still air and a 15 mph wind velocity.

Solution. k (hard high density brick) = 9.20; x = 4.0 in.; k (common low density brick) = 5.0; x = 4.0 in.; k (plaster) = 3.3; x = $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; f_i = 1.65; f_o = 6.0. Therefore,

$$U = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{6.0} + \frac{4.0}{9.20} + \frac{4.0}{5.0} + \frac{0.5}{3.3} + \frac{1}{1.65}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{0.167 + 0.435 + 0.80 + 0.152 + 0.606}$$

= 0.46 Btu per hour per square foot per degree Fahrenheit difference in temperature between the air on the two sides.

The coefficients in the tables were determined by calculations similar to those shown in Example 1, using Fundamental Formulae 3, 4 and 5 and the values of k (or C), f_i , f_o and a indicated in Table 2 by asterisks. In computing heat transmission coefficients of floors laid directly on the ground (Table 10), only one surface coefficient (f_i) is used. For example, the value of U for a 1-in. yellow pine floor (actual thickness, $25/32$ in.) placed directly on 6-in. concrete on the ground, is determined as follows:

$$U = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{1.65} + \frac{0.781}{0.80} + \frac{6.0}{12.0}} = 0.48 \text{ Btu per hour per square foot per degree difference}$$

in temperature between the ground and the air immediately above the floor.

Rigid insulation refers to the so-called board form which may be used structurally, such as for sheathing. Flexible insulation refers to the blankets, quilts or semi-rigid types of insulation.

Actual thicknesses of lumber are used in the computations rather than nominal thicknesses. The computations for wood shingle roofs applied over wood stripping are based on 1 by 4 in. wood strips, spaced 2 in. apart. Since no reliable figures are available concerning the conductivity of Spanish and French clay roofing tile, of which there are many varieties, the figures for such types of roofs were taken the same as for slate roofs, as

CHAPTER 5. HEAT TRANSMISSION COEFFICIENTS AND TABLES

TABLE 2. CONDUCTIVITIES (k) AND CONDUCTANCES (C) OF BUILDING MATERIALS AND INSULATORS^a

The coefficients are expressed in Btu per hour per square foot per degree Fahrenheit per 1 in. thickness unless otherwise indicated.

Material	Description					DENSITY (Lb Per Cu Ft)	MEAN TEMP (Deg Fahr)	CONDUCTIVITY (k) OR CONDUCTANCE (C)	RESISTIVITY ($\frac{1}{k}$) OR RESISTANCE ($\frac{1}{C}$)	AUTHORITY
	Cement	Fine Aggr- gate 0-No. 4	Coarse Aggr- gate No. 4- $\frac{1}{2}$	Slump	Per Cent Voids					
SAND AND GRAVEL, CONCRETE	1	2.00	2.75	0	11.5	144.7	75.06	13.10	0.08	(4)
	1	2.75	4.50	0	10.9	145.7	74.77	12.90	0.08	(4)
	1	3.50	5.50	0	11.2	144.5	75.00	13.20	0.08	(4)
	1	2.00	2.75	5	13.9	142.5	75.50	12.10	0.08	(4)
	1	2.00	2.75	5	13.9	142.5	74.74	12.40	0.08	(4)
	1	2.75	4.50	5	14.6	141.1	73.30	12.40	0.08	(4)
	1	2.75	4.50	5	14.6	141.0	74.89	12.10	0.08	(4)
	1	3.50	5.50	5	14.7	139.2	74.50	12.85	0.08	(4)
	1	3.50	5.50	5	14.7	139.2	75.15	12.50	0.08	(4)
	Avg. Value for Sand and Gravel									