

**PACKAGE ID** - 000230C017000 SERI-RES

**KWIC TITLE** - Energy Simulator Residential Buildings

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**DESCRIPTION** - SERI-RES performs thermal energy analysis of residential or small commercial buildings and has the capability of modeling passive solar equipment such as rock beds, trombe walls, and phase change material. The analysis is accomplished by simulation. A thermal model of the building is created by the user and translated into mathematical form by the program. The mathematical equations are solved repeatedly at time intervals of one hour or less for the period of simulation. The mathematical representation of the building is a thermal network with nonlinear, temperature-dependent controls. A combination of forward finite differences, Jacobian iteration, and constrained optimization techniques is used to obtain a solution. An auxiliary interactive editing program, EDITOR, is included for creating building descriptions. EDITOR checks the validity of the input data and also provides facilities for storing and referencing several types of building description files. Some of the data files used by SERI-RES need to be implemented as direct-access files. Programs are included to convert sequential files to direct-access files and vice versa.

**PACKAGE CONTENTS** - Media Directory; Software Abstract; Solar Energy Research Institute Residential Energy Simulator Version 1.0; Media Includes Source, Sample Problem, Library, Auxiliary Information;

**SOURCE CODE INCLUDED?** - Yes

**MEDIA QUANTITY** - 1 CD Rom

**METHOD OF SOLUTION** -

**COMPUTER** - CDC CYBER170

**OPERATING SYSTEMS** - VMS

**PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES** - FORTRAN 77 (FTN5)

**SOURCE CODE AVAILABLE (Y/N)** - Y

**UNIQUE FEATURES** -

**HARDWARE REQS** - 64K (octal) words

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**REFERENCES** - Larry Palmiter and Terry Wheeling, SERI-RES Solar Energy Research Institute Residential Energy Simulator Version 1.0, Solar Energy Research Institute report, received August 1982.

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BUILDINGS  
PASSIVE SOLAR COOLING SYSTEMS  
PASSIVE SOLAR HEATING SYSTEMS  
SIMULATION  
COMPUTER-AIDED DESIGN  
COOLING LOAD  
FINITE DIFFERENCE METHOD  
HEATING LOAD  
SOLAR ENERGY  
THERMAL ANALYSIS

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