

## Smart Technology-Enabled Building Energy and Peak Load Reduction and Their Effects on Occupants and the Indoor Environment

Building operations consume approximately 72% of electricity in the United States, and are responsible for over 70% of the peak demand on the electric grid, particularly in warm climates. Buildings are also where we spend 90% of our time. The increasing deployment of technologies such as smart meters, home energy management systems (HEMS), and smart home-connected sensors and devices and their associated data provide an opportunity for data-driven operation and evaluation of the performance of buildings and their systems. This is particularly important as we face challenges in energy price fluctuations, distributed and renewable energy grid integration, and climate variability. This seminar will discuss the use of smart technology energy data-driven methodologies for energy and peak load reduction, and techniques for the evaluation of the effects on occupant comfort and the indoor environment. This research is accomplished through a combination of modeling, field and laboratory data collection and evaluation.

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