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# Thermal Environmental Conditions for Human Occupancy

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## FOREWORD

Addendum b updates the computer code for calculation of PMV-PPD using the JavaScript language to ease use of the code in modern software applications. The updated code also includes errata previously published for Standard 55-2013 and aligns the code with requirements in Standard 55-2017.

**Note:** In this addendum, changes to the current standard are indicated in the text by underlining (for additions) and ~~strike-through~~ (for deletions) unless the instructions specifically mention some other means of indicating the changes.

## Addendum b to Standard 55-2017

*Revise Normative Appendix B as shown.*

(This is a normative appendix and is part of this standard.)

## NORMATIVE APPENDIX B COMPUTER PROGRAM FOR CALCULATION OF PMV-PPD

(Reference Annex D of ISO 7730<sup>4</sup>. Used with permission from ISO. For additional technical information and an I-P version of the equations in this appendix, refer to the ASHRAE Thermal Comfort Tool<sup>3</sup> referenced in Section 8 of this standard. The Thermal Comfort Tool allows for I-P inputs and outputs, but the algorithm is implemented in SI units.)

The following code is one implementation of the PMV-PPD calculation using JavaScript in SI units. This calculation does not include discomfort risk due to local discomfort factors.

```
pmv = function(ta, tr, vel, rh, met, clo, wme) {  
  // returns [pmv, ppd]  
  // ta, air temperature (°C)  
  // tr, mean radiant temperature (°C)  
  // vel, relative air velocity (m/s)  
  // rh, relative humidity (%) Used only this way to input humidity level  
  // met, metabolic rate (met)  
  // clo, clothing (clo)  
  // wme, external work, normally around 0 (met)  
  
  var pa, icl, m, w, mw, fcl, hcf, taa, tra, tcla, p1, p2, p3, p4,  
  p5, xn, xf, eps, hcn, hc, tcl, hl1, hl2, hl3, hl4, hl5, hl6,  
  ts, pmv, ppd, n;  
  
  pa = rh * 10 * exp(16.6536 - 4030.183 / (ta + 235));  
  
  icl = 0.155 * clo; //thermal insulation of the clothing in M2K/W  
  m = met * 58.15; //metabolic rate in W/M2  
  w = wme * 58.15; //external work in W/M2  
  mw = m - w; //internal heat production in the human body  
  if (icl <= 0.078) fcl = 1 + (1.29 * icl);  
  else fcl = 1.05 + (0.645 * icl);  
  
  //heat transf. coeff. by forced convection  
  hcf = 12.1 * sqrt(vel);  
  taa = ta + 273;  
  tra = tr + 273;  
  tcla = taa + (35.5 - ta) / (3.5 * icl + 0.1);  
  
  p1 = icl * fcl;  
  p2 = p1 * 3.96;  
  p3 = p1 * 100;  
  p4 = p1 * taa;  
  p5 = 308.7 - 0.028 * mw + p2 * pow(tra / 100, 4);  
  xn = tcla / 100;
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xf = tcla / 50;
eps = 0.00015;

n = 0;
while (abs(xn - xf) > eps) {
  xf = (xf + xn) / 2;
  hcn = 2.38 * pow(abs(100.0 * xf - taa), 0.25);
  if (hcf > hcn) hc = hcf;
  else hc = hcn;
  xn = (p5 + p4 * hc - p2 * pow(xf, 4)) / (100 + p3 * hc);
  ++n;
  if (n > 150) {
    alert('Max iterations exceeded');
    return 1;
  }
}

tcl = 100 * xn - 273;

// heat loss diff. through skin
hl1 = 3.05 * 0.001 * (5733 - (6.99 * mw) - pa);
// heat loss by sweating
if (mw > 58.15) hl2 = 0.42 * (mw - 58.15);
else hl2 = 0;
// latent respiration heat loss
hl3 = 1.7 * 0.00001 * m * (5867 - pa);
// dry respiration heat loss
hl4 = 0.0014 * m * (34 - ta);
// heat loss by radiation
hl5 = 3.96 * fcl * (pow(xn, 4) - pow(tra / 100, 4));
// heat loss by convection
hl6 = fcl * hc * (tcl - ta);

ts = 0.303 * exp(-0.036 * m) + 0.028;
pmv = ts * (mw - hl1 - hl2 - hl3 - hl4 - hl5 - hl6);
ppd = 100.0 - 95.0 * exp(-0.03353 * pow(pmv, 4.0) - 0.2179 * pow(pmv, 2.0));

var r = {};
r.pmv = pmv;
r.ppd = ppd;

return r
}

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40	REM	'Computer program (BASIC) for calculation of	
20	REM	'Predicted Mean Vote (PMV) and Predicted Percentage of Dissatisfaction (PPD)	
30	REM	'in accordance with ISO 7730	
40	CLS:	Print "Data Entry"	: 'data entry
50	INPUT	" Clothing (clo)"	: CLO
60	INPUT	" Metabolic rate (met)"	: MET
70	INPUT	" External work, normally around 0 (met)"	: WME
80	INPUT	" Air Temperature (C)"	: TA
90	INPUT	" Mean radiant temperature (C)"	: TR
100	INPUT	" Relative air velocity (m/s)"	: VEL
110	PRINT	" ENTER EITHER RH OR WATER VAPOR PRESSURE BUT NOT BOTH"	
120	INPUT	" Relative humidity (%)"	: RH
130	INPUT	" Water vapor pressure (Pa)"	: PA
140	DEF	FNPS (T) = exp(16.6536 - 4030.183 / (TA + 235))	: 'saturated vapor pressure KPa
150	IF	PA = 0 THEN PA = RH * 10 * FNPS (TA)	: 'water vapor pressure, Pa

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160 ICL = .155 * CLO : ' thermal insulation of the clothing in m2K/W
170 M = MET * 58.15 : ' metabolic rate in W/m2
180 W = WME * 58.15 : ' external work in W/m2
190 MW = M - W : ' internal heat production in the human body
200 IF ICL < .078 THEN FCL = 1 + 1.29 * ICL ELSE FCL = 1.05 + .645 * ICL
205 : ' clothing area factor
210 HCF = 12.1 * SQR (VEL) : ' heat transf. coefficient by forced convection
220 TAA = TA + 273 : ' air temperature in Kelvin
230 TRA = TR + 273 : ' mean radiant temperature in Kelvin
240 '----- CALCULATE SURFACE TEMPERATURE OF CLOTHING BY ITERATION -----
250 TCLA = TAA + (35.5 - TA) / (3.5 * (6.45 * ICL + 1))
255 ' first guess for surface temperature of clothing
260 P1 = ICL * FCL : ' calculation term
270 P2 = P1 * 3.96 : ' calculation term
280 P3 = P1 * 100 : ' calculation term
290 P4 = P1 * TAA : ' calculation term
300 P5 = 308.7 - .028 * MW + P2 * (TRA/100) ^ 4 : ' calculation term
310 XN = TCLA / 100
320 XF = XN
330 N = 0 : ' N: number of iterations
340 EPS = .00015 : ' stop criteria in iteration
350 XF = (XF + XN) / 2
355 ' heat transf. coeff. by natural convection
360 HCN = 2.38 * ABS(100 * XF - TAA) ^ .25
370 IF HCF > HCN THEN HC = HCF ELSE HC = HCN
380 XN = (P5 + P4 * HC - P2 * XF ^ 4) / (100 + P3 * HC)
390 N = N + 1
400 IF N > 150 then goto 550
410 IF ABS(XN - XF) < EPS then goto 350
420 TCL = 100 * XN - 273 : ' surface temperature of the clothing
430 '----- HEAT LOSS COMPONENTS -----
435 ' heat loss diff. through skin
440 HL1 = 3.05 * .001 * (5733 - 6.99 * MW - PA)
445 ' heat loss by sweating (comfort)
450 IF MW > 58.15 THEN HL2 = .42 * (MW - 58.15)
    ELSE HL2 = 0
455 ' latent respiration heat loss
460 HL3 = 1.7 * .00001 * M * (5867 - PA)
465 ' dry respiration heat loss
470 HL4 = .0014 * M * (34 - TA)
475 ' heat loss by radiation
480 HL5 = 3.96 * FCL * (XN ^ 4 - (TRA/100) ^ 4)
485 ' heat loss by convection
490 HL6 = FCL * HC * (TCL - TA)
500 '----- CALCULATE PMV AND PPD -----
505 ' thermal sensation trans. Coeff.
510 TS = .303 * EXP(-.036 * M) + .028
515 ' predicted mean vote
520 PMV = TS * (MW - HL1 - HL2 - HL3 - HL4 - HL5 - HL6)
525 ' predicted percentage dissat.
530 PPD = 100 - 95 * EXP(-.03353 * PMV ^ 4 - .2179 * PMV ^ 2)
540 goto 570

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550  PMV = 99999!
560  PPD = 100
570  PRINT: PRINT "OUTPUT"
580  PRINT " Predicted Mean Vote _____ (PMV)           : "
      ;; PRINT USING "###.###"; PMV
590  PRINT " Predicted Percentage of Dissatisfied _____ (PPD) : "
      ;; PRINT USING "###.###"; PPD
600  PRINT: INPUT "NEXT RUN (Y/N) " ; R$
610  IF (R$ = "Y" or R$ = "y") THEN RUN
620  END

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**Validation Table EXAMPLE:** Values used to generate the comfort envelope in Figure 5.3.1.

Run #	Air Temp.		RH	Radiant Temp.		Air Speed		Met.	CLO	PMV	PPD %
	°F	C	%	°F	C	FPM	m/s				
1	67.3	19.6	86	67.3	19.6	20	0.10	1.1	1	<del>-0.470</del> .5	<del>10</del>
2	75.0	23.9	66	75.0	23.9	20	0.10	1.1	1	<del>0.480</del> .5	<del>10</del>
3	78.2	25.7	15	78.2	25.7	20	0.10	1.1	1	0.53	<del>10</del>
4	70.2	21.2	20	70.2	21.2	20	0.10	1.1	1	<del>-0.480</del> .5	<del>10</del>
5	74.5	23.6	67	74.5	23.6	20	0.10	1.1	0.5	<del>-0.470</del> .5	<del>10</del>
6	80.2	26.8	56	80.2	26.8	20	0.10	1.1	0.5	0.52	<del>10</del>
7	82.2	27.9	13	82.2	27.9	20	0.10	1.1	0.5	0.50	<del>10</del>
8	76.5	24.7	16	76.5	24.7	20	0.10	1.1	0.5	<del>-0.490</del> .5	<del>10</del>

Note: In every case listed above, the PMV result corresponds to a calculated PPD of 10%.

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