

Development that
define the geometry
of computational
model.



Development of the generative model takes the first stage of process.

One of the most important focus points of this stage is to develop a model as flexible as possible. In this context, the model is capable of adapting typical situations as an office building design with different shape such as rectangular shape, L-shape, U-shape and the T-shape, along with the different ratios of window wall (WWR) or fenestration ratio. In addition to this, developing a generative high-rise office model plays a key role in order to have same spaces and as well as sub-spaces with identical areas throughout each shape as design parameters that define the geometry of computational model. On the basis of these findings, generative computational model is reviewed in different steps that are expressed in the following part. If we look at this issue from the fact of built environment, it is seen that there are different types of high-rise buildings exist. In general, these types can be mentioned as singular high-rises, twin high-rises or connected high-rises. In this study, singular high-rise buildings were selected as a focus point that was already mentioned in the first chapter.

So as considering singular high-rise office building, four different shape is developed like simple rectangular shape, L-shape, U-shape and rectangular with inner courtyard as shown in figure 3. 3. Each shape have been considered as same spaces and areas for comparative analysis for its multi performance integrated design as results. Orientation of building is the most important and crucial feature of the high-rise building. An appropriately orientated building can save a lot of money in no longer required heating and cooling cost spending. But sometimes, orientation of building awarded fixed due to the road excess. Same case have been consider in this research as the <https://assignbuster.com/development-that-define-the-geometry-of-computational-model/>

building face towards south as shown in Figure 3. 3 because of having main excess to the site.

And as we fully aware that the south part of the building have faces most of sun light to the maximum time periods. The area of this particular site is called central business district (CBD) and have mostly high-rises building around which either faces towards south or north direction.

Relative compactness is used in this study as a sign of building shape to help the proportional analysis when assessing the impact of shape and geometric dimension on the building energy performance. It is termed

mathematically as follow: $RC = (V/AS)_{\text{building}}$

(1) $(V/AS)_{\text{Ref}}$ Where $(V/AS)_{\text{building}}$ is the compactness of a precise shape, and $(V/AS)_{\text{Ref}}$ is the compactness of the reference building (which has a rectangular floor plan). Note that V and As refer, respectively, to the conditioned volume and envelope surface area exposed to the outdoor area (exterior wall area). As indicated by Eq.

(1). The relative compactness (RC) has no dimensions. Since the floor area and total height of any building are constant, the building volume is constant for all the buildings.

So, Eq. (1) can become as: $RC = (AS)_{\text{Ref}} / (AS)_{\text{building}}$

(2) Table 3. 2 shows the geometric features for various building shapes used in the study.

These geometric characteristics include: the dimension of the

bounding rectangle, W and D, the perimeter (P) and the relative compactness

(RC). An interesting observation from table is that the perimeter values of the <https://assignbuster.com/development-that-define-the-geometry-of-computational-model/>

L and Tshaped buildings are identical for the similar bounding rectangle dimension (Wand D). Another thing, the values shown in Table indicate that higher RC is associated with lower perimeter. Window to wall ratio (WWR) is a most major component which affecting energy performance in a building.

On heating, cooling and lighting window area have impacts on the building as well as relating it to the natural environment in terms of access to daylight and ventilation. The window-to-wall ratio is the percentage area between building's total glazed area and exterior envelope wall area. The analysis in this study is carried out for different window sizes and glazing type.

In specific case, considered all four shapes was been set window to wall ratio to vary from 0.01% (openings) to 0.99%. For clear understanding of window wall ratio figure 3.4 below is mentioned.

Models for office building with several shapes have been established by using Rhino-Grasshopper. For all models, typical office space pattern and schedules meet for Karachi condition used. Several constraints are varied to assess the energy performance with different buildings shapes and relative compactness. The analysis also considered various window ratio and glazing types. In particular, window to wall ratio was set to 0.

0.01% to 0.99%. Various glazing types with different solar heat gain coefficient were analyzed. Table 3.3, summarizes the glazing types by its SHGC and window to wall ratio.

In the scope of generative principles of model mentioned in the previous part, this section focuses on evaluation of that model within the framework of multi-

performance criteria, which have also an important place for tall buildings. It is obvious that buildings are under the influence of many criteria that have an impact on their performances as well. Regarding to reach better buildings, which also mean better performances, performative architecture notion has come up. Kolarevic (2013) states the performative architecture as, performative architecture can be defined as the one in which building performance, broadly understood, becomes a guiding design principle.

In other words, it can be said that the role of architect is to multi-performance criteria into design process. Hensel (2013) points out the importance of this multi-performance continues as, architecture is urgently in need of integrative approaches that begin to combine specialist discourses for the sake of encouraging determined efforts towards improving the built environment and its weakening impact on the natural environment. According to these accepted senses, it is possible to say that integrating performance aspects have a remarkable role in the process for all building types. This integration should be started at the earliest design stage, which is called as conceptual phase and also kept on further progresses.

The further steps in the context of specialization and continue as, Architects should be in collaboration with professionals from other disciplines in order to criteria that they focus, require a specialization. Based on this theory, it can be said that, collaboration among professionals brings more realistic alternatives. In accordance with these arguments, the generative model was evaluated by series of performance criteria, which have a remarkable role in terms of sustainable and economical aspects in this research. In this regard, performance criteria have been integrated and evaluated in On the basis of <https://assignbuster.com/development-that-define-the-geometry-of-computational-model/>

previous statements, this part focuses on reaching sustainable building at the initial design process, which is also called as conceptual phase. Yeang (2007) expresses the reason why high-rise buildings are un-ecological and continues as, Its un-Eco logicalness is of course largely due to its tallness which requires for instance larger material content in its system to bear the higher bending moments caused by the forces of the high speeds at the top reaches of its built form, greater energy demands to transport and push materials and services up the building's floors working against gravity, additional energy consumption for the mechanized movement of people up and down its elevators, and other enhanced aspects arising from its excessive verticality.

Within this context, it can be said that high-rise buildings have not enough capability to become 100% sustainable buildings. However, there are some criteria which have a remarkable role in the protection of nature that may be applied to protect the built environment. Using less artificial light, smaller footprint, gaining solar energy, using wind energy or wasting less energy for heating and cooling are shown as basic sustainable factors in high-rise designs. In this respect, evaluations of daylight factor and solar radiation are defined in the developed model.

Energy has a major role in improvement of environmental quality related to overall building efficiency evaluation system and has also an impact to reduction of cost. Energy consumption of the building depends on working hours and duration of occupants. In this reference, Baird and Donn (2006) explained, it is the best allowed distribution of energy use per unit area by a

factor that is constructed on the basis of activity in the building or around working hours.

Being considering the most relevant characteristics in a building it is also decisive for its energy consumption. In the direction of the statements, energy performance of developed office building model is evaluated in Sefaira Architecture component in SketchUp program. This component includes all calculations about how to calculate heating and cooling as energy loads. As this component is integrated to SketchUp program, evaluation of the model is updated in real-time.

As can be seen in figure 3. 7 the method of evaluation is illustrated. In the first step, surfaces is created according to the specific spaces and sub-spaces areas of the building plan that are considered as useable boundary. By doing this, materials of surfaces were also defined within the context of material library depending upon floor types, glass type façade. It is important to express that materials have an influence on the calculation of energy consumption because of different material properties. As a second step, the weather data file of actual region was added depending on location of evaluated building. At this stage, it can be helped from the web site of EnergyPlus™ (<https://energyplus.net>)

which is a whole building energy simulation program that engineers, architects, and researchers use to model both energy consumption for heating, cooling, lighting loads use in buildings. As a final step, after assigned all basis necessary components like spaces, floor height, openings and type of glazing, simulation is run and collect result of energy analysis. In

this manner, these all factor count has an effect on solutions in order to reach detail results. These factors has given the related result which is need for the final conclusion. However, assessment of energy may require theselection of specific hours, days and months in order to run the module. In the context of this study, annual (yearly) evaluation was applied for evaluation of energy performance for an office building. For the current research, a performance base parametric model was generated for exploring the alternatives in the design for office building and the response variables of the has been set for each of the shape in Microsoft Excel by randomized values of window to wall ratio (WWR) and glazing types along with the relative compactness (RC), which already calculated above.

For all four Rectangular, L, T and U shape building, these classified under the Table 3. 4, Table 3. 5, Table 3. 6 and Table 3. 7.

The established parametric model has three independent variables, and only one response variables that are performance. The next step was automating the process of recording random independent variables performance for the each building shape with its geometric dimension.