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The Assessment of Mechanical Air Conditioning System Performance in A Cafe with Large Windows and Skylight





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Introduction

- Skylights and large windows create a bright, open space but can increase heat during high sunlight (Deqita & Sudarti, 2022).
- Study evaluates mechanical ventilation through measurements of temperature, humidity, and wind speed (Wulandari & Zulfikri, 2024).
- Building orientation and skylight design influence indoor thermal conditions (Duncan & Khamdevi, 2023; Khatimah et al., 2024).
- Thermal Comfort Standards (BSN, 2001):
 - Temperature: 22.8-27.1°C
 - Relative humidity: 40-60%
 - Airflow velocity: 0.15-0.25 m/s

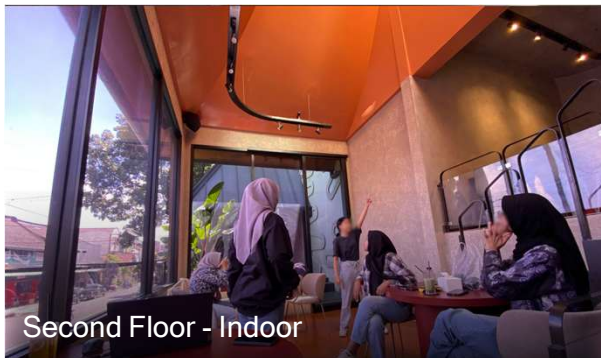
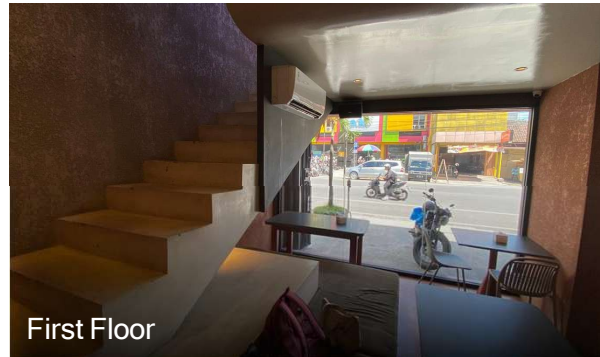




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Building Condition



Method



- Measurements taken using an Environment Meter
- Parameters:
 - air temperature (°C)
 - relative humidity (%)
 - wind speed (m/s)
- Measurement schedule:
 - April 27, 2025 at 08:00, 12:00, 16:00, 20:00
- Space divided into 3 m² grids → 31 measurement points placed at each grid center
- Device held at head height in seated position to represent visitor comfort
- Additional outdoor measurements for comparison
- Results analyzed using thermal comfort standards (SNI 03-6572-2001)



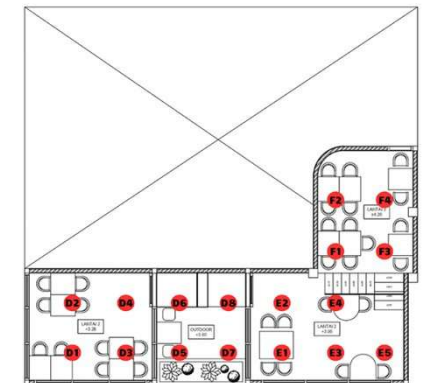
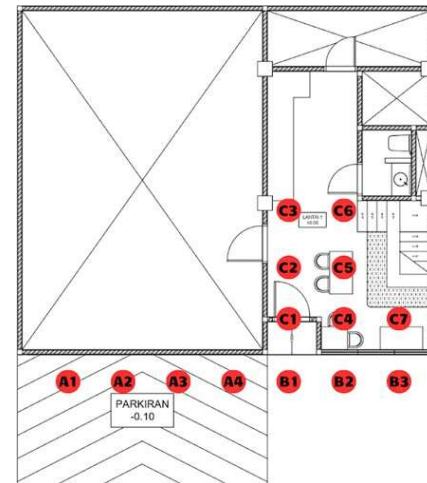
Result and Discussion

1. Morning

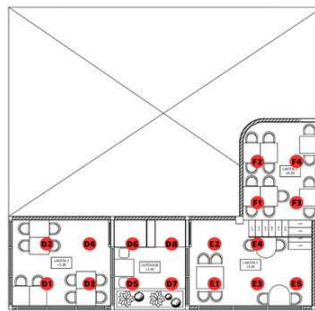
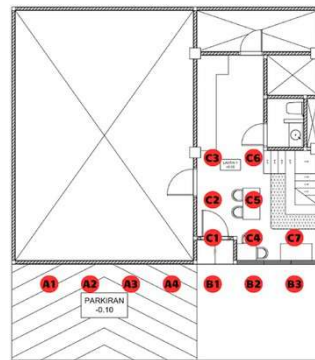
- Most temperature points fall within the ideal range → room feels cool and comfortable
- Only 1 point meets airflow standards → poor air circulation
- All RH values exceed the ideal limit → room feels damp and stuffy

2. Afternoon

- Zones D & E show higher temperatures due to direct sunlight & skylights
- Point C meets the standard because its windows are shaded
- Area F is cooler than D & E since it is not exposed to direct sunlight
- Only 2 points meet wind-speed standards → limited air circulation
- >50% of points meet humidity standards, but Zone E meets none



Result and Discussion



3. Evening

- All temperature points exceed ideal standards → likely due to low sun angle allowing direct sunlight
- Only 2 points meet wind-speed standards → room feels hotter
- About 40% of points meet humidity standards
- Points D & E meet the standard due to proximity to doors/windows/exhaust fan
- Point F has no nearby ventilation → poor humidity
- Point C has a ventilation door, but low opening frequency → does not meet humidity standards

4. Night

- Temperature within a comfortable range
- Very low wind speed prevents air circulation → worsens humidity
- All RH measurements fall below ideal standards → room feels damp, stuffy, and less cool
- Likely caused by inadequate ventilation and poor air movement



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