

SIMULATION MODEL OF ENERGY BALANCE FOR POULTRY HOUSES

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ABSTRACT

The main aim of this research was to develop a simulation model of energy balance of the poultry house to predict the energy gain or loss of poultry houses that made of different materials in order to save energy and reduce costs. This could be achieved through studying the external loads are transmission, fenestration, perimeter, ventilation and infiltration at different poultry houses. The results showed that the energy requirement for heating poultry house decreases with increasing chicken age (40 days). The energy requirement for heating was decreased from 3716.75 to 247.65, 2731.31 to 10.79, 2417.98 to 66.14 and 2418.06 to 66.18 Kwh for first, second, third and fourth houses, respectively, when the chicken age increased from 1 to 40 days in Faiyum city. The energy requirement for heating was decreased from 6602.23 to 701.29, 5030.31 to 364.65, 4534.72 to 255.98 and 4534.86 to 255.99 Kwh for first, second, third and fourth houses, respectively, when the chicken age increased from 1 to 40 days in Benha city. The energy requirement for ventilation was increased from 1517.24 to 4083.08, 1325.53 to 3326.87, 1262.20 to 3084.95 and 1262.21 to 3085.00 Kwh for first, second, third and fourth houses, respectively, when the chicken age increased from 1 to 40 days in Faiyum city. The energy requirement for ventilation was increased from 2373.09 to 6793.56, 1991.44 to 5477.08, 1867.80 to 5060.30 and 1867.81 to 5060.41 Kwh in Benha city, when the chicken age increased from 1 to 40 days. The model results were in a reasonable agreement with the experimental ones.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The environmental conditions inside livestock houses play an important role for improving the performance and welfare of the animals in the farms. Poultry building itself and the ventilation system have to provide an adequate physical environment for the animals. The physical environment inside the poultry buildings is determined by climatic variables, such as temperature, relative humidity, and air quality, with temperature being the most widely studied variable. Temperature is one of the many aspects of achieving environmental control in poultry buildings (ASAE, 2003). Other aspects include provision of adequate ventilation, illumination, photoperiod, humidity, noise levels and aerial pollutant levels. These variables are affected by the interaction between the outdoor weather conditions and the livestock, building and ventilation system. The most basic and common form of controlling the poultry housing environment is maintaining temperature inside the building within a desired range by adjusting ventilation and heating rates and cooling rate in hot climates. The control actions are based on feedback measurements of ambient temperature collected from one or more locations in the building (Schuberger *et al.*, 2000; Hamrita and Mitchell, 1999).

Energetic analyses can give the ability for producers that compare all processing unit with modern production approach or even can alter the production lines (Jekayinfa, 2007). Insulation is one of the best ways for management of energy and reducing energy losses in the form of heat especially in cold areas with long winters. By this approach, the heat losses from heaters and broilers body are not lost and broilers can utilize feed energy for their growth. Managing equipment and consumption patterns in reducing utilize energy and therefore in reducing costs are effective. All of these ingredients and rapid increase in production cost of broilers have caused producers to have more attention to their energy consumption (Alam *et al.*, 2005).

Mutai *et al.* (2011) developed a model to simulate the temperature changes at the closed house for broiler using an empirical mathematical model based on the law of thermal equilibrium. The temperature in a closed house is determined by ventilation and construction materials. The

model produces accurate temperature tendency towards a certain time. That are average measured and predicted of temperatures of 24.43 and 24.40 °C and relative humidity ranged from 60 to 90% with a correlation coefficient (R^2) 0.978.

Osorio *et al.* (2011) developed and validated a simplified steady state mathematical model to predict temperature distribution in a commercial poultry house equipped with a negative pressure ventilation system and internal misting. The model was validated with data obtained experimentally during the summer. For external temperature conditions of 26, 27 and 29 °C, the best combinations of energy generated by misting, ventilation rate, global heat loss coefficient for the roof and global heat loss coefficient for the wall were encountered to maintain the majority of the installation with temperatures within the optimal thermal comfort range for the birds (24 to 29 °C).

One of the main problems that hinder a chicken meat production is increased energy costs for heating and cooling, therefore, the main objective of this study is to develop a simulation model of energy balance to predict the energy gain or loss of poultry houses that made of different materials in order to save energy and reduce costs.

2. MODEL DEVELOPMENT

Energy balance was performed on the poultry house. The energy exchange due to both external and internal energy loads is shown in Figure (1). The external loads are transmission, fenestration, perimeter, ventilation and infiltration. The internal loads are occupants, lighting, and appliances. The internal and fenestration loads are always sources of heat gain. Ventilation, infiltration, perimeter, and heat transmission loads cause heat loss in winter months and heat gain in summer months.

The following assumptions for development of the present model are made:

- The model is based on steady-state conditions.
- The temperature of air is uniform across the whole building.
- The density and heat capacity of air are constant.
- The temperature gradients within the constructions are negligible.
- The building walls have negligible heat capacity.

Equations (1) and (2) present the energy balance components of the poultry house:

$$dQ/dt = Q_s + Q_{fens.} + Q_{light} + Q_{appliances} \pm Q_{conv.} \pm Q_{cond.} \pm Q_p \quad (1)$$

$$Q_{solar} = SHGC \times A_w (Q_D + Q_d + Q_r) \quad (2)$$

Where:

Q is the total energy at any time in the poultry house, J

Q_s is the occupants (poulties) heat gains, W

$Q_{fens.}$ is the solar heat gains from windows, W

SHGC is the solar heat gain coefficient, dimension less

A_w is the window area, m^2

Q_D is the beam direct irradiance, W

Q_d is the sky diffuse irradiance, W

Q_r is the ground-reflected diffuse irradiance, W

Q_{light} is the heat gain by light, W

$Q_{appliances}$ is the heat gain by appliances, W

$Q_{conv.}$ is the heat exchange with the air by convection, W

$Q_{cond.}$ is the heat exchange with the wall by conduction, W

Q_p is the heat exchange by perimeter of floor, W

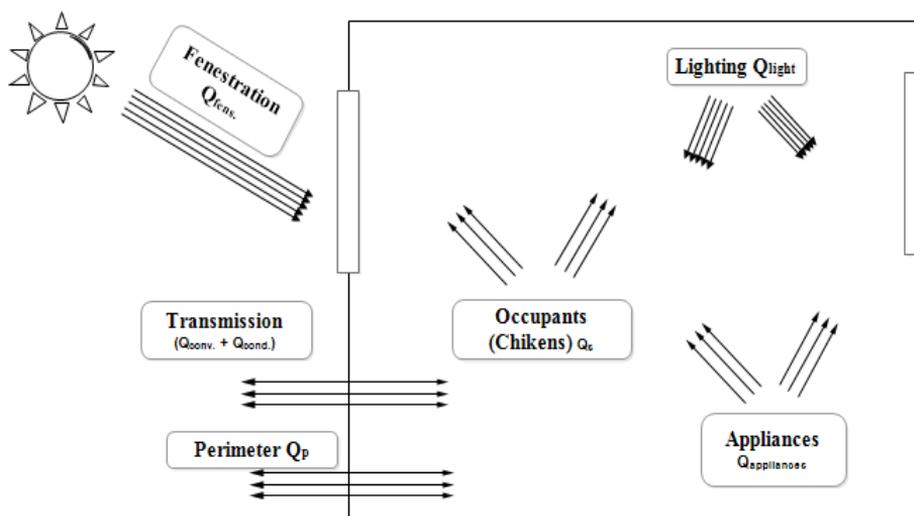


Figure (1): Energy balance of poultry house.

Sensible heat generated by the occupants (poulties) can be described by the following equation (ASHRAE, 2013):

$$Q_s = Q_{s, \text{per kg}} \times \text{No. of broilers} \times \text{avg. weight} \times \left(\frac{\text{Avg. weight}}{\text{total weight}} \right)^{0.734} \quad (3)$$

Where:-

$Q_{s \text{ per kg}}$ is the sensible heat generated per kg, $W \text{ kg}^{-1}$

Radiation emitted by the sun travels through the vacuum of space unaltered. The percentage of energy associated with certain bandwidths of solar radiation emitted from a blackbody at 5800K (Holman, 1997). To determine the direct beam solar heat gain (q_D) can be calculated according to the following equation (ASHRAE, 2003):

$$\text{If } \cos(\theta) > 0 \xrightarrow{\text{then}} Q_D = E_{DN} \cos(\theta), \xrightarrow{\text{otherwise}} Q_D = 0 \quad (4)$$

Where:

E_{DN} is the surface direct irradiance, W

θ is the solar incident angle, degrees

The surface direct irradiance is given by the following equation (ASHRAE, 2001):

$$\text{If } \beta > 0 \xrightarrow{\text{then}} E_{DN} = C_n A e^{-B/\sin\beta}, \xrightarrow{\text{otherwise}} E_{DN} = 0 \quad (5)$$

Where:

C_n is the clearness number

β is the solar altitude angle, degrees

A is the apparent solar radiation, $W \text{ m}^{-2}$

B is the atmospheric extinction coefficient, dimensionless

The solar incident and altitude angles are given by the following equations (ASHRAE, 2009):

$$\cos \theta = \cos \beta \cos \gamma \cos \Sigma + \sin \beta \sin \Sigma \quad (6)$$

$$\sin \beta = \cos L \cos \delta \cos H + \sin L \sin \delta \quad (7)$$

$$\delta = 23.45 \sin \left[\frac{360}{365} (284 + n) \right] \quad (8)$$

$$H = (AST - 12) \times 15^\circ \quad (9)$$

$$AST = LST + \frac{ET}{60} + \left(\frac{LON - LSM}{15} \right) \quad (10)$$

$$ET = 2.2918(0.0075 + 0.1868 \cos(T) - 3.0277 \sin(T) - 1.4615 \cos(2T) - 4.089 \sin(2T)) \quad (11)$$

$$LSM = 15TZ \quad (12)$$

$$T = 360 \frac{n-1}{365} \quad (13)$$

Where:

γ is the solar azimuth angle, degrees

Σ is the surface tilt angle from the horizontal plane, degrees

L is the local latitude angle (positive for North), degrees

δ is the solar declination angle (the angle formed by the line from the center of the Earth to the center of the Sun and the Earth's equator), degrees

n is the day of the year (on January 1st, n = 1)

H is the hour angle, degrees

AST is the apparent solar time, hour

LST is local standard time, hour

ET is the equation of time, minutes

LON is the longitude of the building, degrees

LSM is the longitude of local standard time meridian, degrees

TZ is the time zone, degrees

The solar azimuth (γ) is the angle formed by the building and direct incident beam radiation and this angle varies with the time of day, the time of year and the geographical position of the house. The solar azimuth is given by the following equation (ASHRAE, 2009):

$$\gamma = A \sin \left(\frac{\cos \delta \sin H}{\cos \beta} \right) \quad (14)$$

Apparent solar radiation and atmospheric extinction coefficient are calculated by the following equations (ASHRAE, 2009):

$$A = 1147.5868 + 57.4985 \times \sin(0.0174n + 1.4782) \quad (15)$$

$$B = 0.1639 + 0.0237 \times \sin(0.0202n + 4.013) \quad (16)$$

The Diffuse component coming from the sky is calculated as follows (ASHRAE, 2001):

$$Q_d = CYE_{DN}F_{ss} \quad (17)$$

Where:

C is the coefficient of dispersion of solar radiation, dimensionless

Y is the ratio of the sky diffuse irradiation on vertical surfaces to the sky diffuse irradiation on horizontal surfaces

F_{ss} is the angle factor between the surface and the sky

Coefficient of dispersion of solar radiation is given by the following equation (ASHRAE, 2009):

$$C = 0.120682346 + 0.017896423 \times \sin\left(\frac{0.020929536132n}{3.97985854}\right) \quad (18)$$

The ratio of the sky diffuse irradiation on vertical surfaces to the sky diffuse irradiation on horizontal surfaces is calculated by the following equation (ASHRAE, 2009):

$$\text{If } \cos \theta > -0.2, Y = 0.55 + 0.437 \cos \theta + 0.313 \cos^2 \theta, \text{ otherwise } Y = 0.45 \quad (19)$$

The angle factor between the surface and the sky is given by the following equation (ASHRAE, 2003):

$$F_{ss} = \frac{1 + \cos \Sigma}{2} \quad (20)$$

The reflectivity of solar radiation varies with the angle of incidence of the incoming radiation. The reflected shortwave radiation Q_r, is computed as (ASHRAE, 2009):

$$Q_r = E_{DN} (C + \sin \beta) \rho_g \left(\frac{1 - \cos \Sigma}{2} \right) \quad (21)$$

Where:

ρ_g is the ground reflectivity

The conduction of heat between the inner surface and the outer surface was calculated as:

$$Q_{cond} = kA(T_i - T_o) / z \quad (22)$$

Where:-

k is thermal conductivity coefficient, W m⁻¹ K⁻¹

A is the surface area, m²

T_i is temperature of the inner wall surface, K

T_o is temperature of the outer wall surface, K

z is thickness of wall surface, m

Heat transferred through convection can be calculated using Newton's Law of cooling:

$$q_{conv} = hA(T_i - T_o) \quad (23)$$

Where

h is the heat transfer coefficient, W m⁻² K⁻¹

Nusselt number (Nu) correlations are traditionally used to predict a heat transfer coefficient as the following equation:

$$h = Nu \frac{k}{L_c} \quad (24)$$

Where

L_c is the characteristic length of the surface, m

$$L_c = \frac{Area}{Perimeter} \quad (25)$$

For the case of free convective surfaces, the Nusselt number is related to another dimensionless number, the Rayleigh number (Ra), through empirical correlations. The Rayleigh number is:

$$R_a = \frac{g\beta(T_i - T_o)L_c^3}{\nu^2} \cdot \frac{C_p\mu}{k} \quad (26)$$

Where

g is the gravitational acceleration, 9.81 m s⁻²

β is the coefficient of thermal expansion, K⁻¹

ν is the kinematic viscosity of the fluid, m² s⁻¹

μ is the dynamic viscosity of the air, kg m⁻¹ s⁻¹

C_p is the specific heat of air, J kg⁻¹.K⁻¹

Extinction coefficient is given by the following equation:

$$\beta = \frac{1}{T_f} \quad (27)$$

$$T_f = \frac{T_i + T_o}{2} \quad (28)$$

The Nusselt number and given for horizontal or vertical planes as follows (ASHRAE, 2001):

$$Nu = 0.56 Ra^{0.25} \quad \text{if Ra is between } 10^4 \text{ and } 10^8 \quad (29)$$

$$Nu = 0.13 Ra^{1/3} \quad \text{if Ra is between } 10^8 \text{ and } 10^{12} \quad (30)$$

For cases where wind is present (i.e. forced convection), different flat plate correlations could be used but run the risk of not being appropriate. The following Nusselt number correlation for mixed laminar and turbulent flow regions (for $5 \times 10^5 < Re < 10^8$) can be used (Holman, 1997):

$$Nu = \left(0.037 Re^{4/5} - 871 \right) Pr^{1/3} \quad (31)$$

Where

Re is the Reynold's number

Pr is the Prandtl number

The previous equation is valid for Prandtl numbers between 0.6 to 60. The Reynold's number, Re, is a dimensionless number representing the ratio of inertial to viscous forces in the boundary layer of the fluid. It can be calculated as follows:

$$Re = \frac{V \cdot Lc}{\mu} \quad (32)$$

Where

V is the velocity of the air, $m \cdot s^{-1}$

The Prandtl number, Pr, is a dimensionless number representing the ratio of the ability of a fluid to diffuse momentum to that of heat. It can be calculated as follows:

$$Pr = \frac{\nu}{\alpha} \quad (33)$$

Where

α is the thermal diffusivity of the fluid, $m^2 s^{-1}$

Heat transfer according to perimeter can be estimated by the following equation for both unheated and heated slab floors (ASHRAE, 2001):

$$Q_p = FP(T_i - T_o) \tag{34}$$

Where:

F is the heat loss coefficient per foot of perimeter, $W m^{-1} K^{-1}$

P is the perimeter of floor, m

The primary source of heat from lighting comes from light-emitting elements, or lamps, although significant additional heat may be generated from associated appurtenances in the light fixtures that house such lamps. Generally, the instantaneous rate of heat gain from electric lighting may be calculated from (ASHRAE, 2013):

$$Q_{light} = WF_{ul}F_{sa} \tag{35}$$

Where:

W is the total light wattage, W

F_{ul} is the lighting use factor

F_{sa} is the lighting special allowance factor

Heat gain by equipment is calculated from Arora (2006):

$$Q_{equip} = (input) - (1 - Motor Efficiency) \tag{36}$$

All computational procedures of the model were carried out using Microsoft Visual Basic 2013. The program graphical user interface with the data input window below are in figure (2). The computer program was devoted to heat balance for predicting the temperature and energy gain or loss of poultry houses. Figure (3) show the flowchart of the model.



Figure (2): The program main working interface.

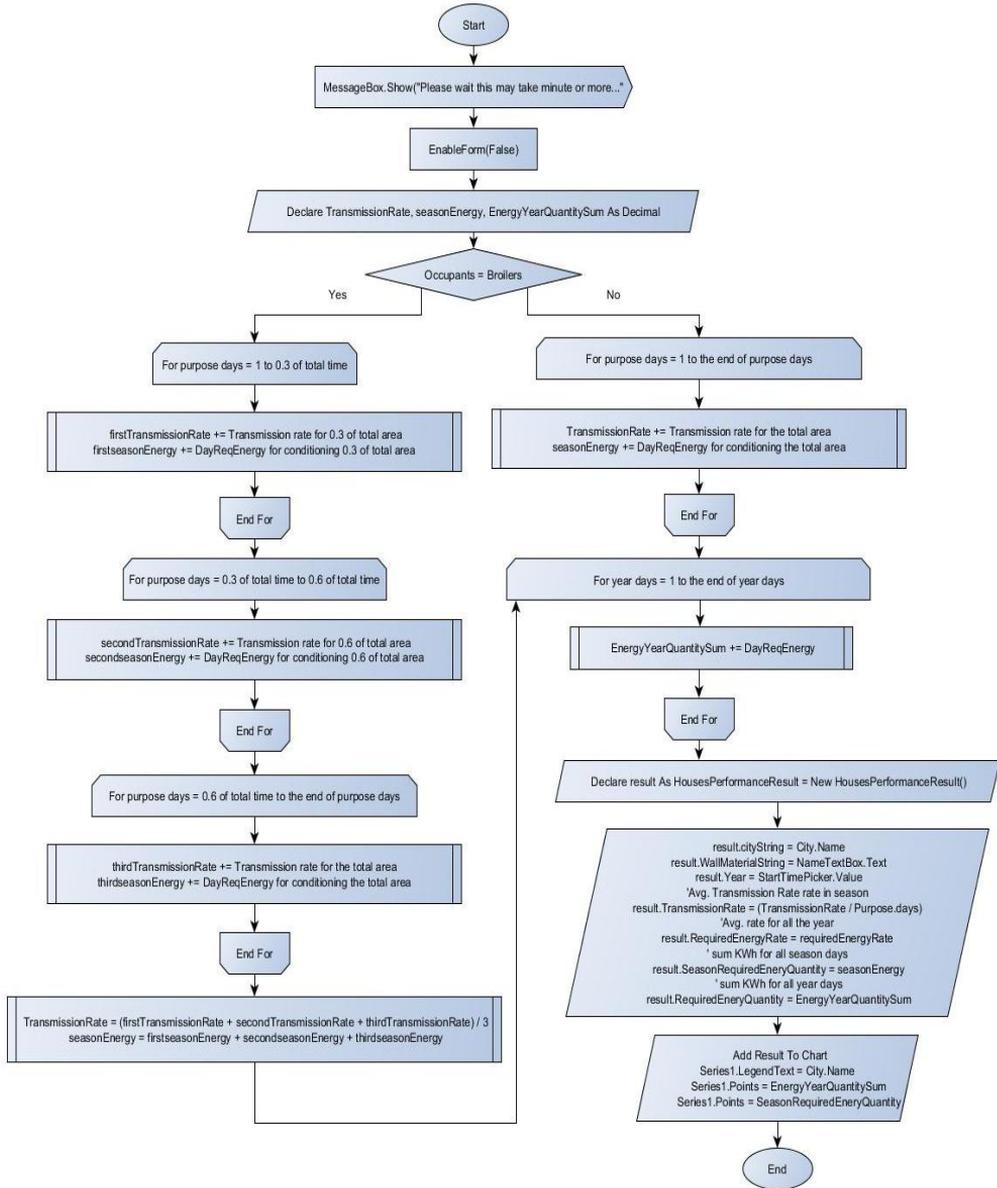


Figure (3): The flowchart of the model.

The poultry house consists of four houses, first house consists of walls made of bricks and roof concrete, second house consists of walls made of bricks and roof wood-boards, third house consists of walls made of bricks and straw bales and roof wood-boards and fourth house consists of walls made of straw bales and roof wood-boards. The parameters used in the model that were obtained from the literature are listed in table (1).

Table (1): the parameters used in the energy balance.

Parameter	Units	Value	Source
V	m s ⁻¹	0.5	ASHRAE, 2001
F	W m ⁻¹ K ⁻¹	1.2	ASHRAE, 2001
LSM	Degree	30	
Appliances power	W	25	
Appliances efficiency	%	75	
F _{ul}	-	1	
F _{sa}	-	1	
Hardwoods (K)	W m ⁻¹ k ⁻¹	0.166	ASHRAE, 2009
Red brick (K)	W m ⁻¹ k ⁻¹	0.7	ASHRAE, 2001
Straw (K)	W m ⁻¹ k ⁻¹	0.042	ASHRAE, 200
Concrete (K)	W m ⁻¹ k ⁻¹	0.93	ASHRAE, 2001
Glass (K)	W m ⁻¹ k ⁻¹	1.2	ASHRAE, 2001
SHGC	-	0.25-0.6	
P _g	-	0.2	
C _n	-	0.665	Ibrahim, 2011
Σ	Degree	90	

3. EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURES

The experiment was carried out at some chicken meat production farms at El-Dakahia, El-Gharbia, El-Sharkia and El-Qalubia Governorates, Egypt. Table (2) shows the specifications of chicken meat buildings.

Table (2): The specifications of chicken meat buildings.

Specifications		Poultry house				
		1	2	3	4	5
Location		El-Dakahlia	El-Gharbia	El-Sharkia	El- Qalubia	El- Dakahlia
Dimensions, m	Length	64	93	70	40	100
	Width	12	12	16	10	12
	Height	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5
Wall	Materials	Bricks	Bricks	Bricks	Bricks	Bricks
	Thickness, m	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Roof	Materials	Asbestos board				
	Thickness, m	0.05	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.05
Ground	Materials	Concrete	Concrete	Concrete	Concrete	Concrete
	Thickness, m	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Windows	Materials	Glass	Glass	Glass	Glass	Glass
	Area, m ²	152	225	220	80	235
Door	Materials	Wood	Wood	Wood	Wood	Wood
	Area, m ²	4	4	4	4	4
Lighting	Type	LED	LED	LED	LED	LED
	Number	48	60	58	34	52
	Power, W	15	15	12	12	12
No. of chickens		7500	1500	12000	4500	13000
Final weight, kg		1.5	0.4	1.25	1.5	0.45

Gas consumption of heating poultry houses was recorded daily to calculate energy requirement for heating chicken meat houses. The energy consumption recorded was used to validate the predicted energy from the energy balance model. The specific heat of gas consumption for heating poultry house is 6600 Kwhh per m³ (12.9 Kwhh per kg).

4. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

4.1. Model Experimentation:

Figure (4) shows the energy requirement for heating poultry houses for different poultry houses: First house consists of walls made of bricks and roof concrete, second house consists of walls made of bricks and roof wood-boards, third house consists of walls made of bricks and straw bales and roof wood-boards and fourth house consists of walls made of straw bales and roof wood-boards in Faiyum, Damietta, Benha and Luxor cities during winter season (January and February). The results indicate that the energy requirement for heating chicken house decreases with increasing chicken age (40 days). It could be seen that the energy requirement for heating was decreased from 3716.75 to 247.65, 2731.31 to 10.79, 2417.98 to 66.14 and 2418.06 to 66.18 Kwhh for first, second, third and fourth houses, respectively, when the chicken age increased from 1 to 40 days in Faiyum city.

The energy requirement for heating was decreased from 5381.37 to 1048.13, 4052.34 to 633.16, 3631.94 to 499.39 and 3632.05 to 499.41 Kwhh in Damietta city, while it was decreased from 6602.23 to 701.29, 5030.31 to 364.65, 4534.72 to 255.98 and 4534.86 to 255.99 Kwhh in Benha city and it was decreased from 5800.86 to 1478.65, 4387.63 to 978.17, 3941.12 to 818.06 and 3941.25 to 818.10 Kwhh in Luxor city for first, second, third and fourth chicken houses, respectively, when the chicken age increased from 1 to 40 days. Decreasing energy requirement with increasing the chicken age due to the optimum temperature for chicken during the first stage of age ranged from 33 to 35 °C, then the optimum temperature for chicken decreased with increasing the chicken age (the optimum temperature about 18°C at the end of production period). These results agreed with those obtained by **Eekeren *et al.* (2006)**.

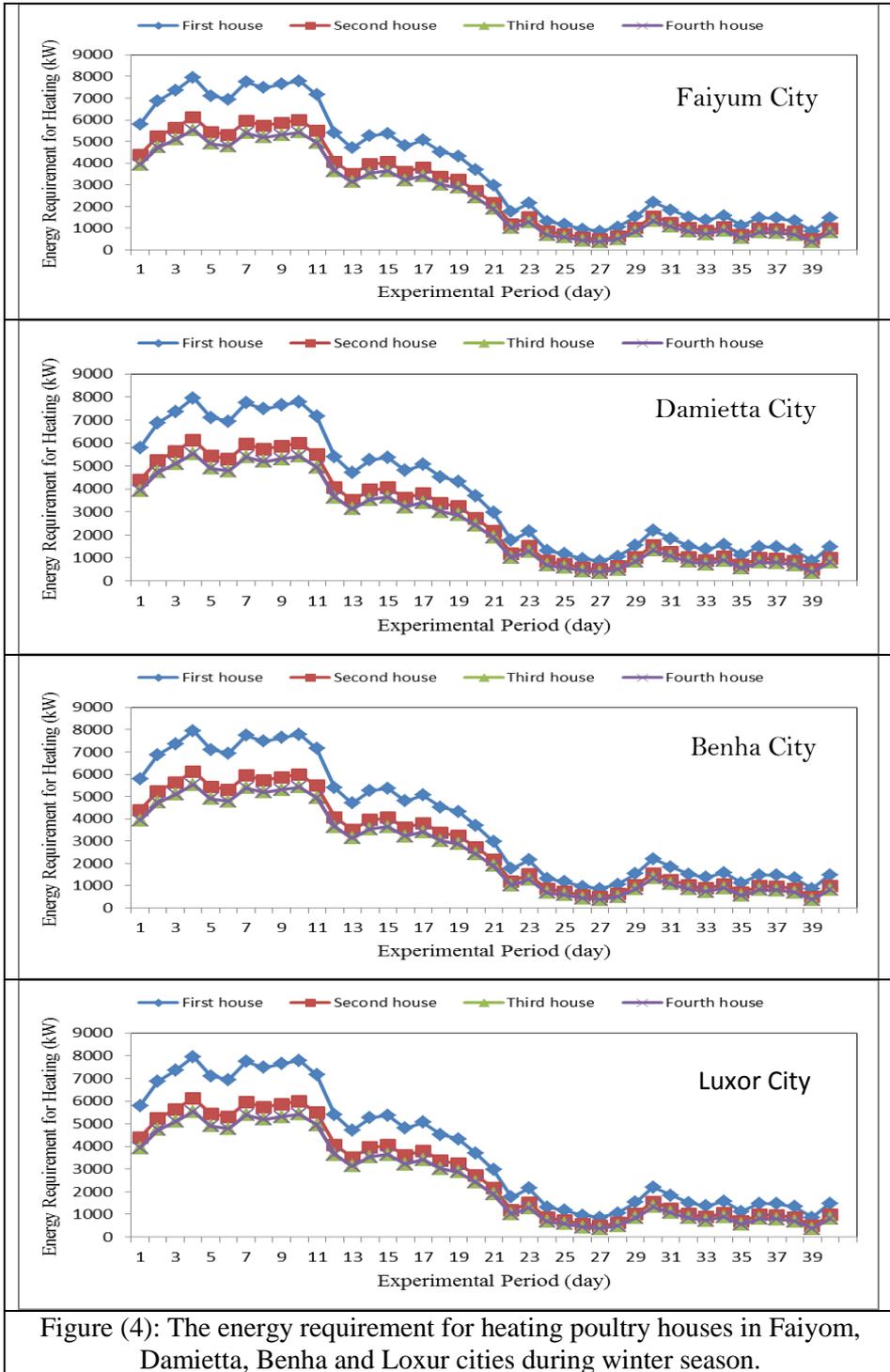


Figure (4): The energy requirement for heating poultry houses in Faiyum, Damietta, Benha and Luxor cities during winter season.

Figure (5) shows the energy requirement for ventilation poultry houses for different poultry houses: First house consists of walls made of bricks and roof concrete, second house consists of walls made of bricks and roof wood-boards, third house consists of walls made of bricks and straw bales and roof wood-boards and fourth house consists of walls made of straw bales and roof wood-boards in Faiyum, Damietta, Benha and Luxor cities during summer season (July and August). The results indicate that the energy requirement for ventilation chicken house increases with increasing chicken age (40 days). It could be seen that the energy requirement for ventilation was increased from 1517.24 to 4083.08, 1325.53 to 3326.87, 1262.20 to 3084.95 and 1262.21 to 3085.00 Kwhh for first, second, third and fourth houses, respectively, when the chicken age increased from 1 to 40 days in Faiyum city.

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1.1. Model validation:

Figure (6) shows the predicted and the measured energy requirement for heating five poultry houses at El-Dakahia, El-Gharbia, El-Sharkia and El-Qalubia Governorates during winter season (January and February). It could be seen that, the predicted energy requirements were in a reasonable agreement with those measured, where, They were 35088.14, 34470.12, 43.111.39, 19217.72 and 29188.30 Kwhh for first, second, third, fourth and fifth poultry houses, respectively, theoretically while they were 4529.06, 31058.78, 40.764.65, 24264.67 and 31058.78 Kwhh experimentally.

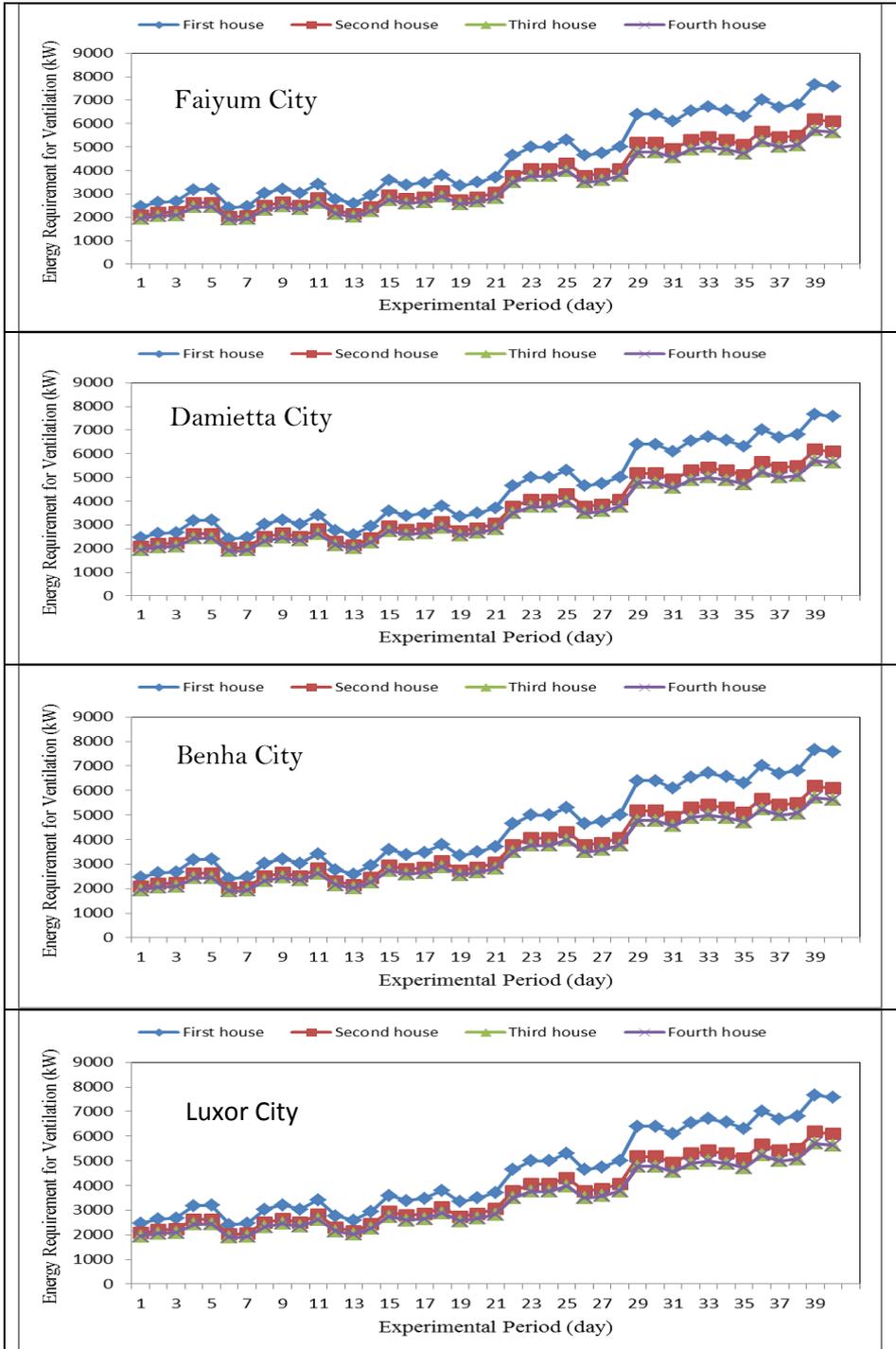


Figure (5): The energy requirement for ventilation chicken houses in Faiyom, Damietta, Benha and Loxur cities during winter season.

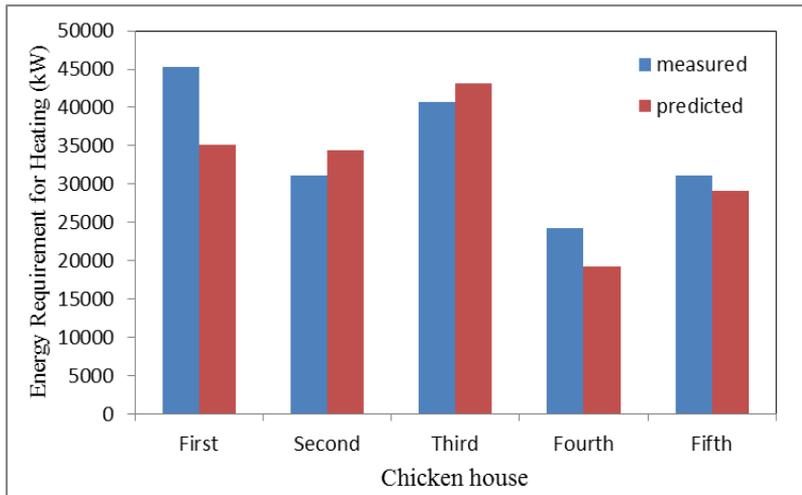


Figure (6): The predicted and the measured energy requirement for heating different poultry houses.

2. CONCLUSIONS

A simulation model for the poultry house was developed successively according to energy balance to optimize the main factors affecting the performance of poultry house through studying of energy requirement for different poultry house. Also, carrying out an experiment to validate the model results through measuring energy requirement for heating poultry house. The most important results obtained can be summarized as follows:

- The energy requirement for heating was decreased from 3716.75 to 247.65, 2731.31 to 10.79, 2417.98 to 66.14 and 2418.06 to 66.18 Kwhh for first, second, third and fourth houses, respectively, when the chicken age increased from 1 to 40 days in Faiyum city.
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5060.41 Kwh in Benha city, when the chicken age increased from 1 to 40 days.

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نموذج محاكاة لاتزان الطاقة لمساكن الدواجن

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تهدف هذا الدراسة إلى تطوير نموذج محاكاة لاتزان الطاقة في مساكن الدواجن للتنبؤ بالطاقة المكتسبة والمفقودة من مساكن الدواجن المشيدة من مواد بناء مختلفة للوصول الى افضل مواد بناء اقتصاديا. ويتم ذلك من خلال دراسة الطاقة المطلوبة لتدفئة مساكن الدواجن شتاءا وتهويتها صيفا لانواع مساكن مشيدة من مواد بناء مختلفة. وأيضا عمل اختبار صلاحية لنتائج هذا النموذج من خلال مقارنة نتائجه بنتائج تجريبية. وكانت أهم النتائج المتحصل عليها كما يلي:-

- انخفضت الطاقة المطلوبة لتدفئة مساكن الدواجن بزيادة عمر الدجاج، حيث انخفضت من ٣٧١٦.٧٥ الى ٢٤٧.٦٥ ومن ٢٧٣١.٣١ الى ١٠.٧٩ ومن ٢٤١٧.٩٨ الى ٦٦.١٤ ومن ٢٤١٨.٠٦ الى ٦٦.١٨ كيلو وات للمبنى الاول والثاني والثالث والرابع على الترتيب بزيادة عمر الدجاج من ١ الى ٤٠ يوم في مدينة الفيوم.

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- زادت الطاقة المطلوبة للتهوية من ١٥١٧.٢٤ الى ٤٠٨٣.٠٨ ومن ١٣٢٥.٥٣ الى ٣٣٢٦.٨٧ ومن ١٢٦٢.٢٠ الى ٣٣٢٦.٨٧ ومن ١٢٦٢.٢١ الى ٣٠٨٥.٠٠ كيلو وات للمبنى الاول والثانى والثالث والرابع على الترتيب بزيادة عمر الدجاج من ١ الى ٤٠ يوم فى مدينة الفيوم.
- زادت الطاقة المطلوبة للتهوية من ٢٣٧٣.٠٩ الى ٦٧٩٣.٥٦ ومن ١٩٩١.٤٤ الى ٥٤٧٧.٠٨ ومن ١٨٦٧.٨٠ الى ٥٠٦٠.٣٠ ومن ١٨٦٧.٨١ الى ٥٠٦٠.٤١ كيلو وات للمبنى الاول والثانى والثالث والرابع على الترتيب بزيادة عمر الدجاج من ١ الى ٤٠ يوم فى مدينة بنها.
- وكانت نتائج النموذج الرياضى متفقة مع النتائج التجريبية.