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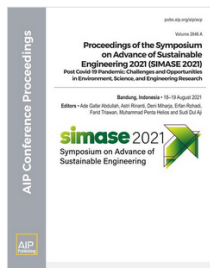
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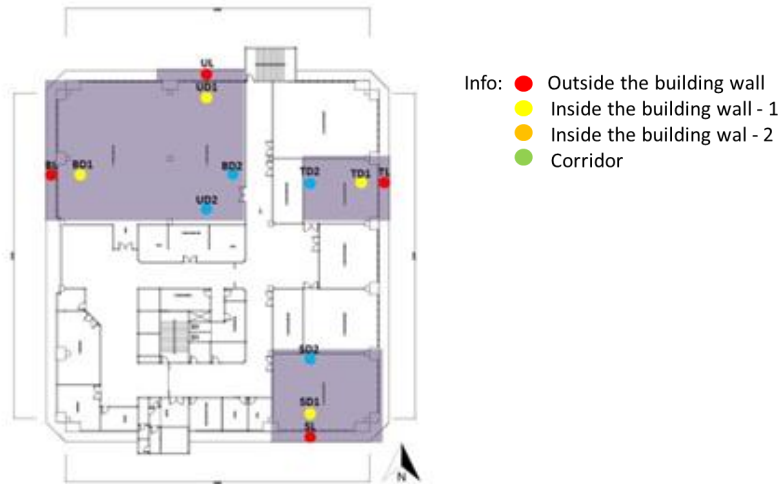
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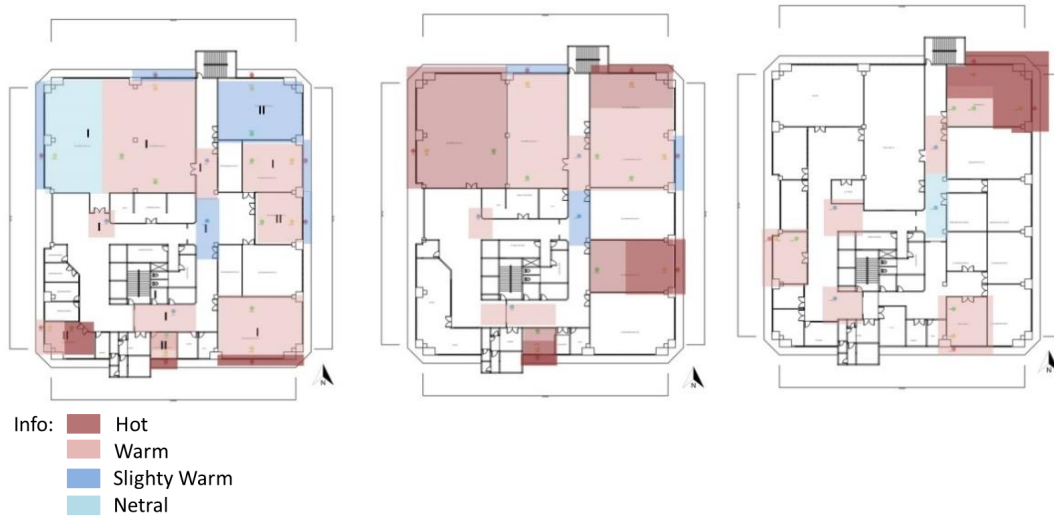


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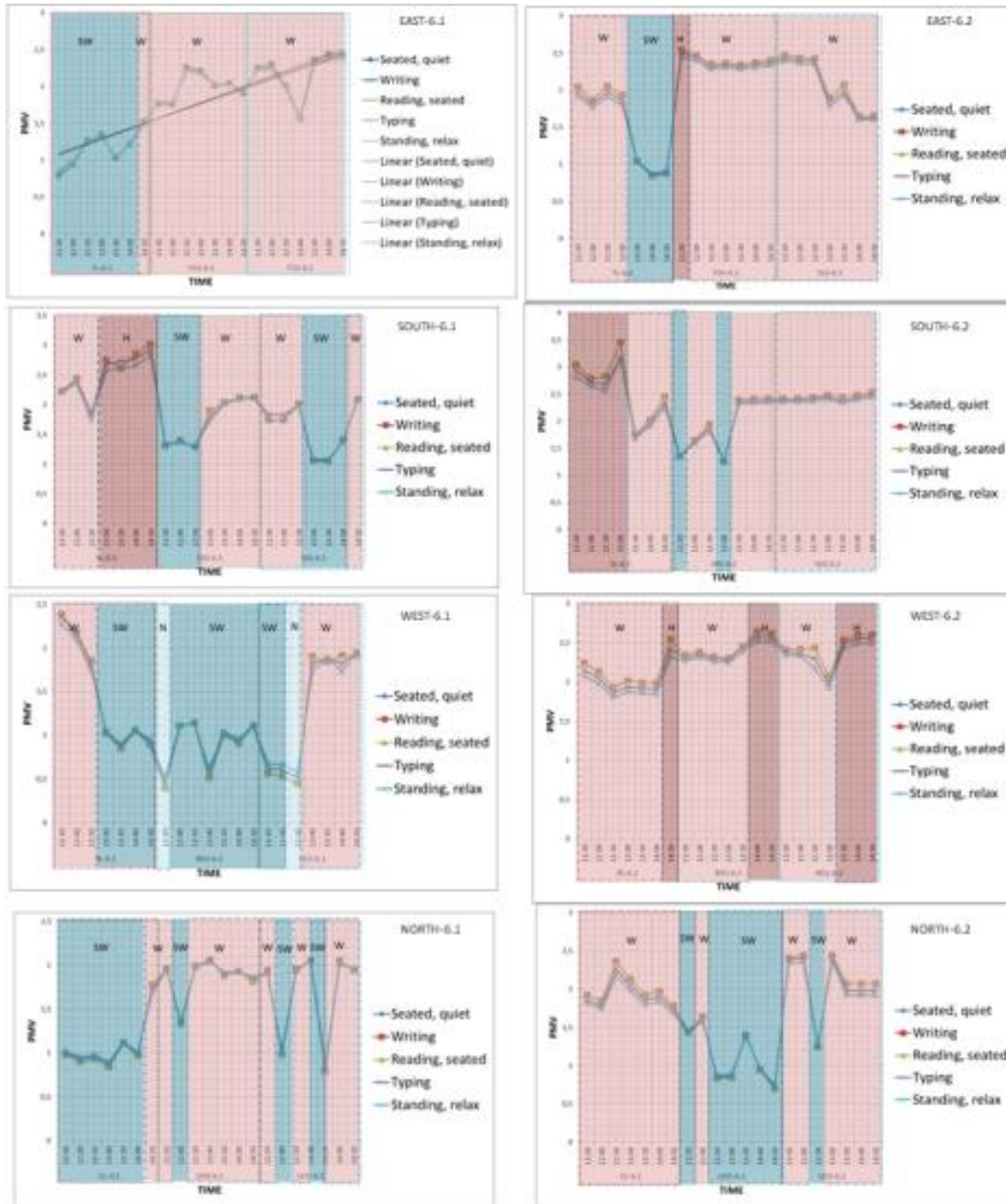


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On the 7<sup>th</sup> floor, the room with the highest temperature (38.5°C) had the north orientation, while the lowest temperature (29.1°C) was the room oriented towards the east. The highest (76.5%) and the lowest (53.5%) air humidity occurred in a room oriented to the north, while the highest wind velocity (5.06 m/s) was in the room oriented to the east. On the 9<sup>th</sup> floor, the highest room temperature (36.7°C) was in the east and west, while the lowest (28.6°C) was in the west. The highest room air humidity (85%) was in the west orientation, the lowest (48%) was in the east and north, and the highest inlet wind velocity (4.93m/s) was in the west and north rooms.



Based on the PMV value analysis, the room on the 6<sup>th</sup> floor with a south orientation has a PMV value of 3.04 (hot) and a western orientation of 0.39 (neutral). The highest PMV value on the 7<sup>th</sup> floor is in a room with a north orientation of 4.23 (hot) and the lowest -0.01 (neutral) in an east orientation. While on the 9<sup>th</sup> floor, the highest PMV value is in a room with an east orientation (4.03, hot), and the lowest value is a room with a west orientation (-0.20, neutral). Of the three floors, the higher the floor height, the average thermal sensation felt is warm to hot, and the lower the floor height, the thermal sensation felt is neutral to slightly warm (see Fig. 2 and Fig. 3).



**FIGURE 3.** Thermal sensation zoning on 6<sup>th</sup> floor (east, south, west, north) – as an example of research results (Source: Alfiah, 2021)

## One Way ANOVA Test Results

According to the validity test criteria, if the Sig value is less than 0.05, there is a significant difference. In the ANOVA test results, the Sig value for the height of the building floor obtained was  $0.108 > 0.05$  and for building orientation was  $0.827 > 0.05$ , indicating no significant difference in PMV values between the rooms on the three floors studied. So it can be concluded that the floor height and building orientation had no significant effect on the PMV value (see table 1 and 2).

**TABLE 1.** One Way ANOVA test result based on differences in Building Floor Height

	Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
Between Groups	,291	2	,146	2,695	,108
Within Groups	,648	12	,054		
Total	,939	14			

Source: Alfiah, 2021

**TABLE 2.** One Way ANOVA test based on differences in Building Orientation

	Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
Between Groups	,081	3	,027	,296	,827
Within Groups	,726	8	,091		
Total	,806	11			

Source: Alfiah, 2021

## CONCLUSION

The average room temperature on the sixth, seventh and ninth floors ( $30.3^{\circ}\text{C}$ - $33.6^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) exceeds  $6.6^{\circ}\text{C}$  - $7.3^{\circ}\text{C}$  of the thermal comfort standard ( $23^{\circ}\text{C}$  - $27^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), the lower threshold of the average wind speed is 0.08 m/s below the standard (0.2 m/s), but the upper threshold exceeds the standard (0.8 m/s) which is 5.06 m/s, humidity the room average of 48%-85% is in the standard range of 30%-90% humidity. The higher the building floor, the predicted average thermal sensation is in the warm-hot range, but the PMV index shows a dominant neutral-slightly warm in the west and south. Through the one-way ANOVA test, the orientation and height of the building floor in the case studied did not significantly affect the comfortable sensation calculated through PMV analysis. Thus, indoor thermal comfort cannot rely entirely on natural thermal conditions, so additional tools are needed to increase the movement of wind speed in the room.

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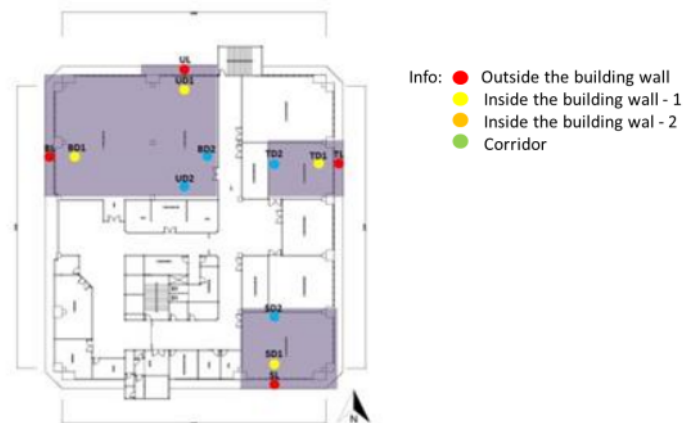
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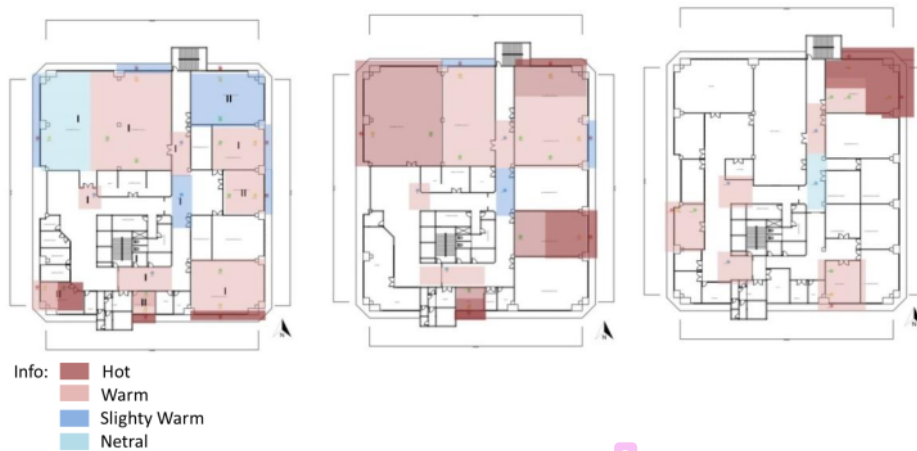


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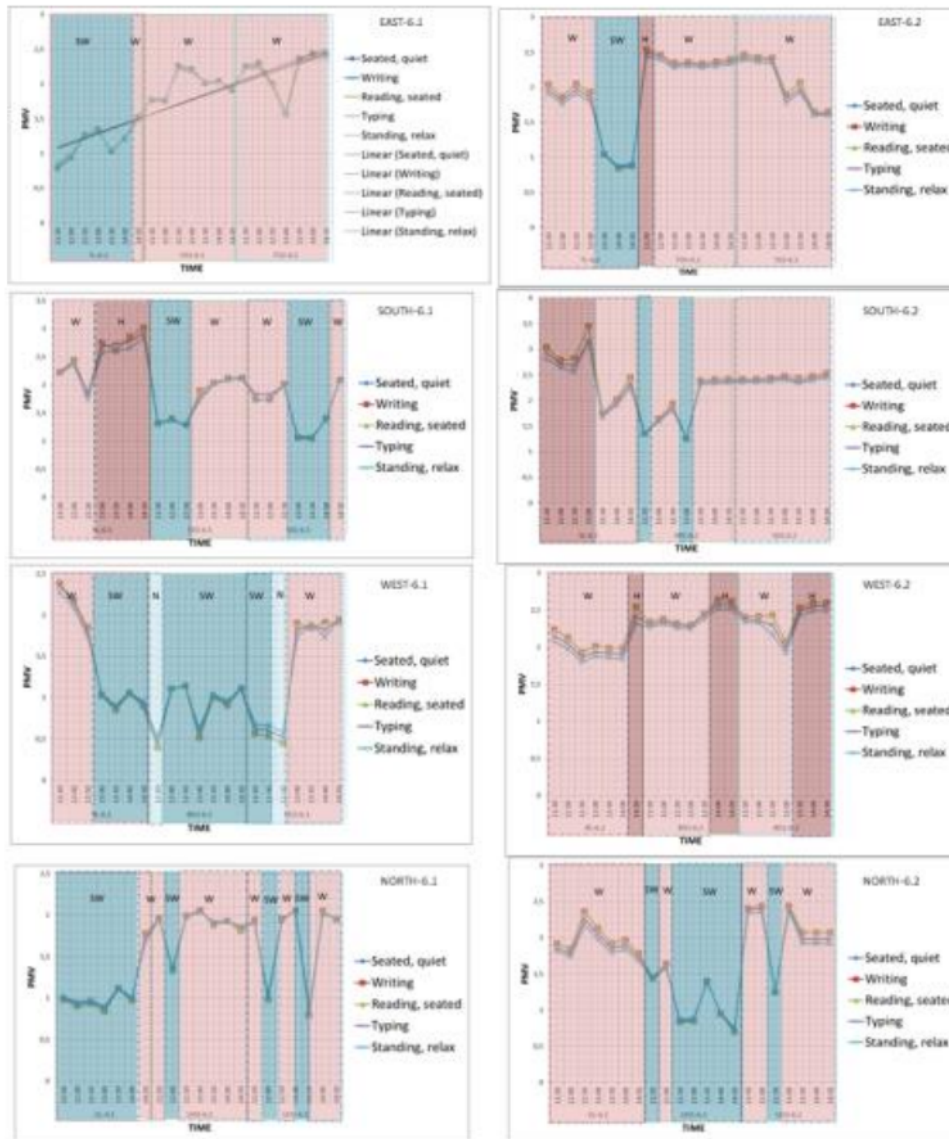


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Based on the PMV value analysis, the room on the 6<sup>th</sup> floor with a south orientation has a PMV value of 3.04 (hot) and a western orientation of 0.39 (neutral). The highest PMV value on the 7<sup>th</sup> floor is in a room with a north orientation of 4.23 (hot) and the lowest -0.01 (neutral) in an east orientation. While on the 9<sup>th</sup> floor, the highest PMV value is in a room with an east orientation (4.03, hot), and the lowest value is a room with a west orientation (-0.20, neutral). Of the three floors, the higher the floor height, the average thermal sensation felt is warm to hot, and the lower the floor height, the thermal sensation felt is neutral to slightly warm (see Fig. 2 and Fig. 3).



**FIGURE 3.** Thermal sensation zoning on 6<sup>th</sup> floor (east, south, west, north) – as an example of research results (Source: Alfiah, 2021)

## One Way ANOVA Test Results

According to the validity test criteria, if the Sig value is less than 0.05, there is a significant difference. In the ANOVA test results, the Sig value for the height of the building floor obtained was 0.108 > 0.05 and for building orientation was 0.827 > 0.05, indicating no significant difference in PMV values between the rooms on the three floors studied. So it can be concluded that the floor height and building orientation had no significant effect on the PMV value (see table 1 and 2).

**TABLE 1.** One Way ANOVA test result based on differences in Building Floor Height

	Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
Between Groups	,291	2	,146	2,695	,108
Within Groups	,648	12	,054		
Total	,939	14			

Source: Alfiah, 2021

**TABLE 2.** One Way ANOVA test based on differences in Building Orientation

	Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
Between Groups	,081	3	,027	,296	,827
Within Groups	,726	8	,091		
Total	,806	11			

Source: Alfiah, 2021

## CONCLUSION

The average room temperature on the sixth, seventh and ninth floors (30.3°C-33.6°C) exceeds 6.6°C -7.3°C of the thermal comfort standard (23°C -27°C), the lower threshold of the average wind speed is 0.08 m/s below the standard (0.2 m/s), but the upper threshold exceeds the standard (0.8 m/s) which is 5.06 m/s, humidity the room average of 48%-85% is in the standard range of 30%-90% humidity. The higher the building floor, the predicted average thermal sensation is in the warm-hot range, but the PMV index shows a dominant neutral-slightly warm in the west and south. Through the one-way ANOVA test, the orientation and height of the building floor in the case studied did not significantly affect the comfortable sensation calculated through PMV analysis. Thus, indoor thermal comfort cannot rely entirely on natural thermal conditions, so additional tools are needed to increase the movement of wind speed in the room.

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Unsuitable thermal conditions affect the productivity of indoor activities and cause hyperthermia or hypothermia so that the level of thermal comfort becomes important. The research aimed to compare the effect of building orientation and height of thermal comfort sensation at Building C FTSP Universitas Trisakti. This is also an effort to identify the level of thermal sensation naturally in the room with activities such as reading, writing, standing, and typing, in which the users generally wear trousers, a short-sleeve shirt, socks, shoes, and underwear. The method was descriptive quantitative covering PMV (Predicted Mean Vote) analysis and one-way ANOVA test, using digital anemometers and heat stress meters as data collection tools. The results showed that with tipping window opening of 47cm: 1) the average room temperature at 6th, 7th, and 9th floors exceeded 6,6°C-7,3°C from the standard; the average of wind velocity was below and exceeds 0.2m/s and 5.06m/s; the average room's humidity (48%-85%) was in the standard range; 2) the average thermal sensation was in the warm-hot range, but PMV index values in the west and south were neutral-slightly warm; 3) the orientation and the height of the building floor had no significant effect on thermal comfort sensation.

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