

# **DETERMINANTS OF COMMERCIAL BUILDING LOAD SHAPES**

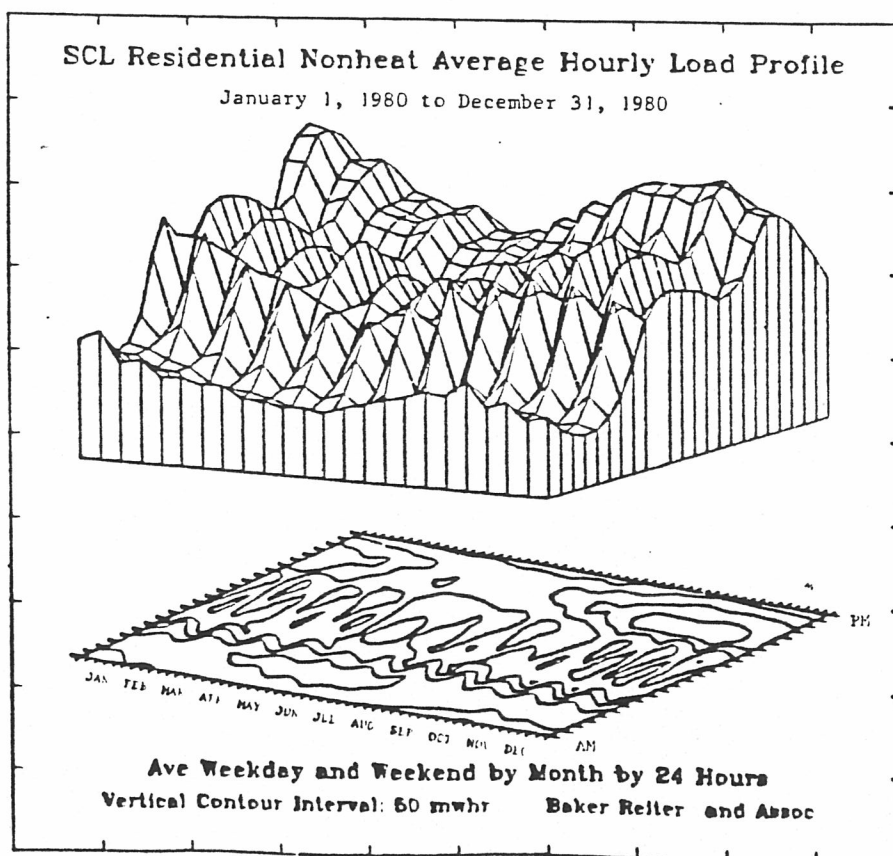
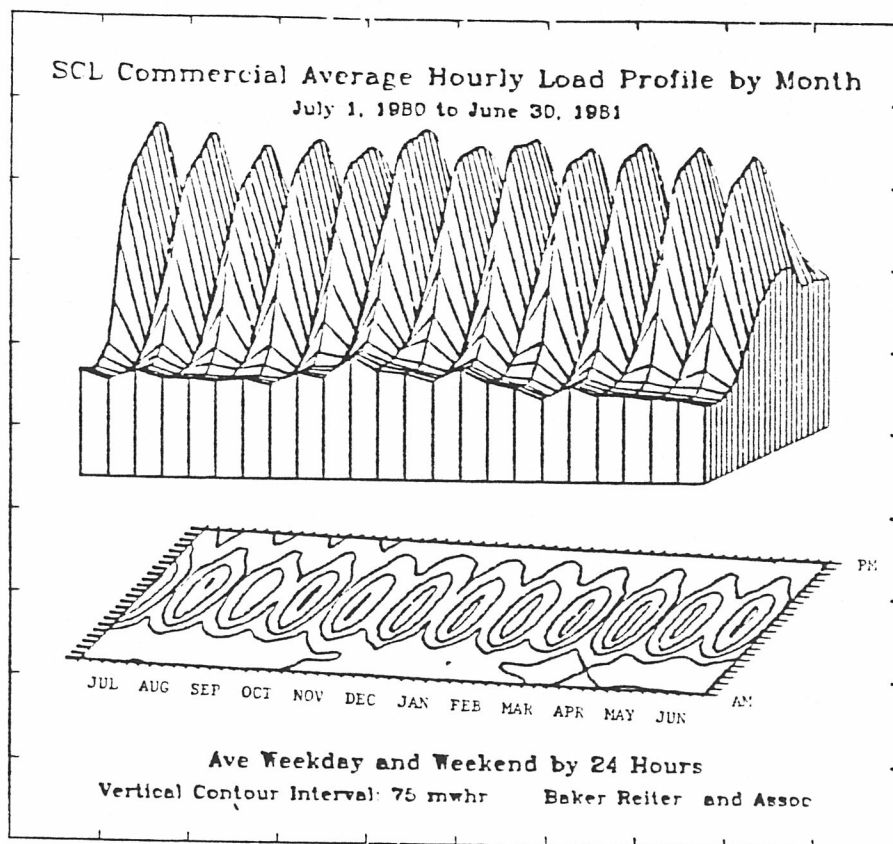
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**ELCAP Workshop II**

By

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# SCL Residential and Commercial Hourly Loads



## **Purpose:**

- Examine the role of schedules in the determination of hourly loads for commercial buildings

## **Plan:**

- Identify the patterns of variability in the commercial sector
- Characterize the determinants of this variability (or consistency)
- Apply these concepts to early commercial ELCAP sites
  - Evaluate the share of energy use attributable to scheduled loads
  - Evaluate the contribution of scheduling to variability
  - Evaluate the performance of schedules as a predictor of hourly building loads

## **Caveats:**

- Should view this work as stimulating thinking on topic, not producing definitive answers

## **Preliminary Observations Concerning Commercial Sector Load Shape:**

- Relatively uniform across months
- Striking weekday/weekend differences
- Diurnal patterns resemble trapezoids
- Patterns are consistent throughout the year

## **Questions Concerning Determinants of Shape:**

- What are the determinants of consistency and variability and to what extent do building schedules account for both?
- Do we observe the same patterns and driving forces in individual buildings?
- Can we take advantage of this knowledge in predicting building loads?



## The dictionary defines a schedule as:

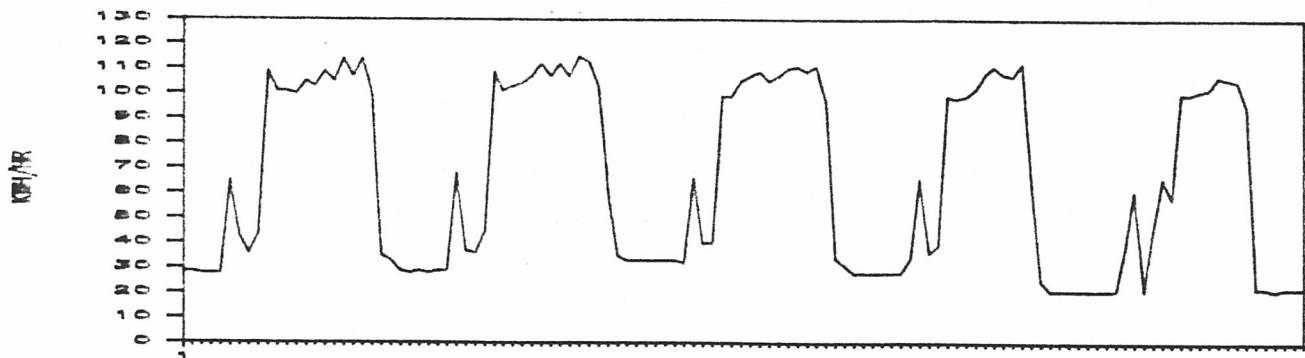
... a list of the times of recurring events

## Key elements are predictable:

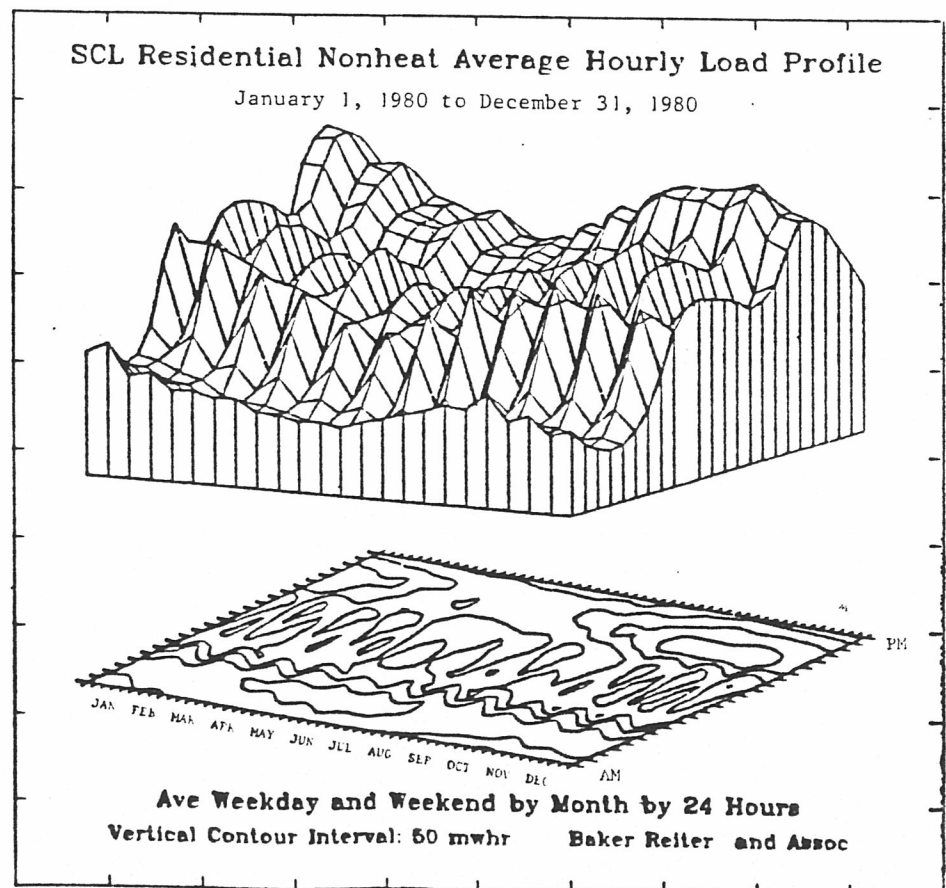
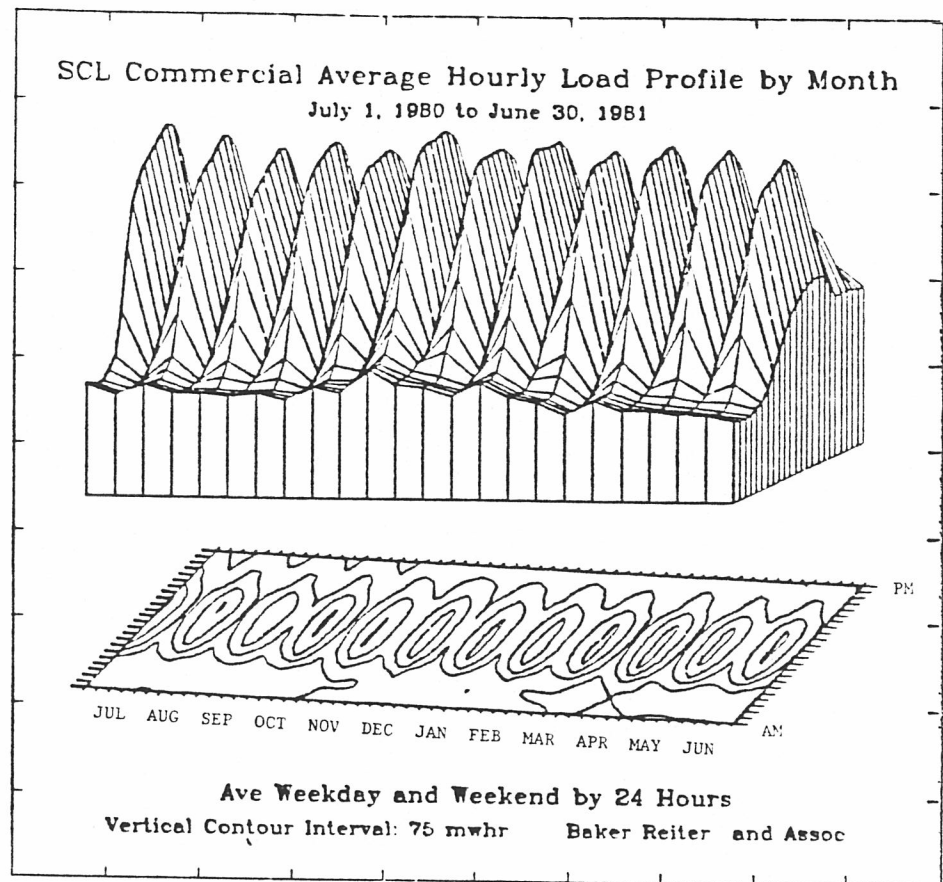
- onset
- duration
- magnitude ?

## Application to buildings energy use:

- equipment schedule(s)
- building schedule(s)



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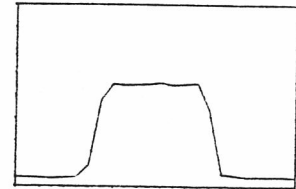
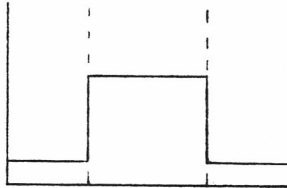
# ARCHETYPAL LOAD SHAPES

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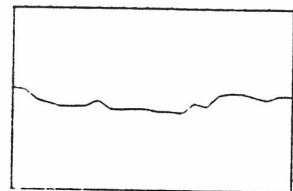
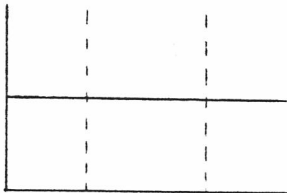
Archtype

Example

Lites  
Equip



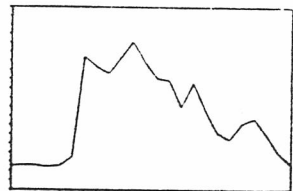
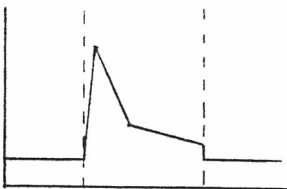
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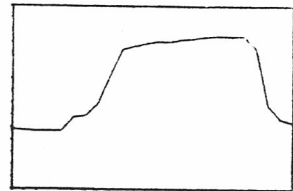
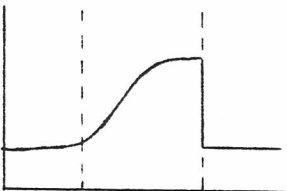
## II. Temperature Sensitive --

Determined by Service  
Hours, Internal Loads and  
Outside Temperature

Heat



Cooling



## SCHEDULES AS A DETERMINING FACTOR IN DIURNAL LOAD SHAPE

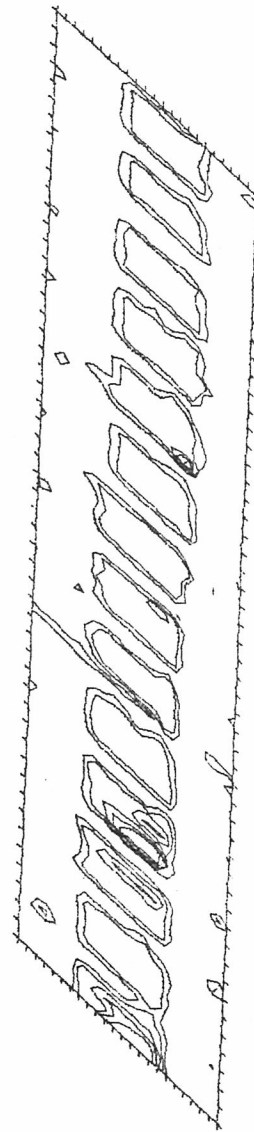
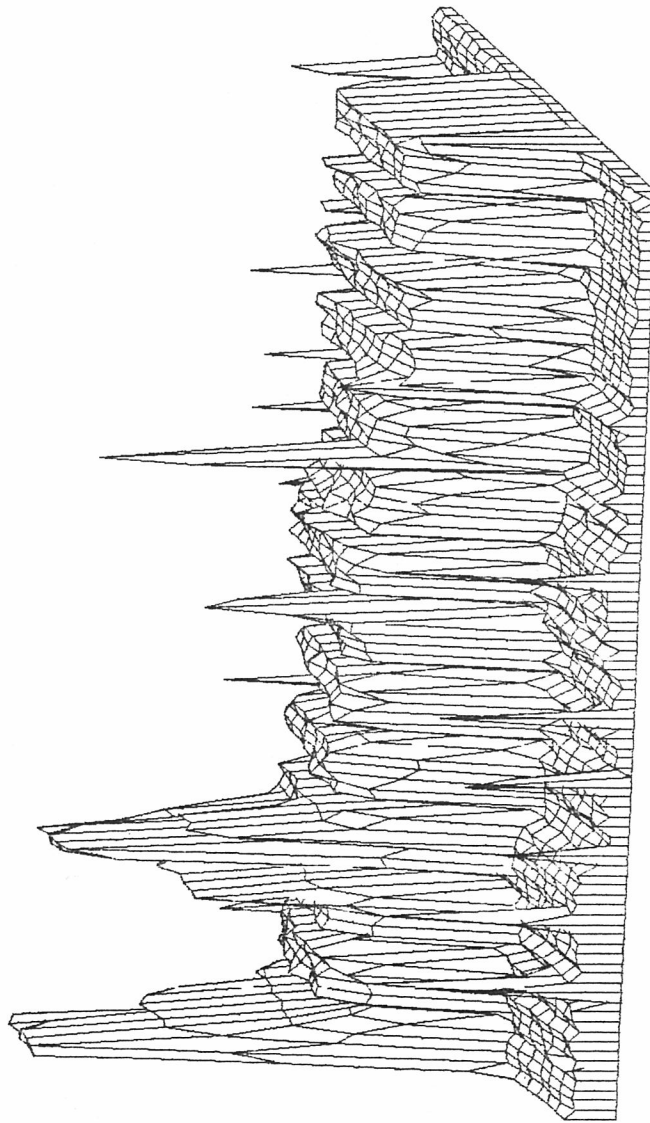
- Two classes of loads
  - Principally non-temperature dependent
  - Temperature dependent
- Non-temperature dependent fall into two basic classes
  - Schedule of operation tied to building service hours
  - Constant operation
- Business hours constrain structure of temperature dependent loads
- Unidirectional interaction between non-temperature dependent loads and temperature dependent loads
- Interactions affect magnitude and duration of temperature dependent loads
- Building load shape product of dominant end-use(s)

## STEPS IN THE ANALYSIS OF SCHEDULES

- Identification of diurnal load shapes
- Classification of daytypes
- Evaluation of contribution of scheduled loads to building energy use
- Assessment of stability of schedules over months of the year
- Evaluation of contribution of scheduling to variability in hourly loads
- Construct schedule-based predictors of hourly loads

# Seattle Warehouse

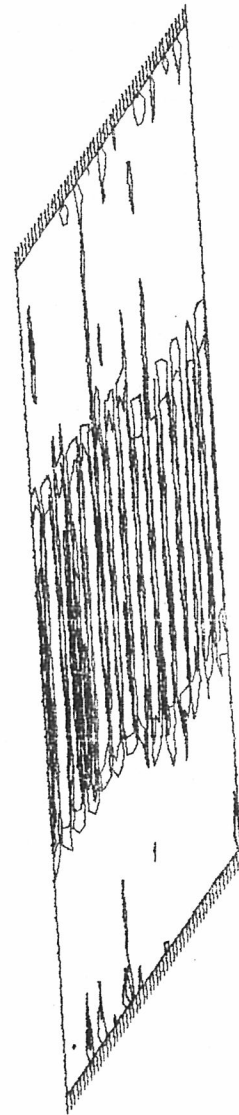
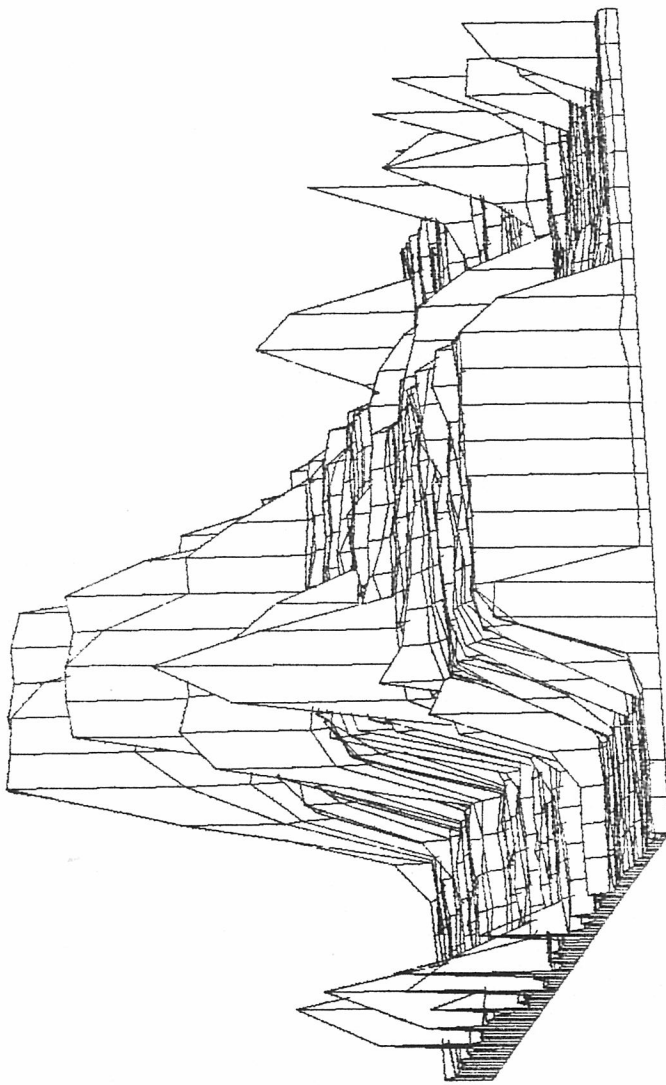
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Total Bulding Load (WATTS)

WATTHR load Surface by Day by Hour Baker Reiter and Assoc

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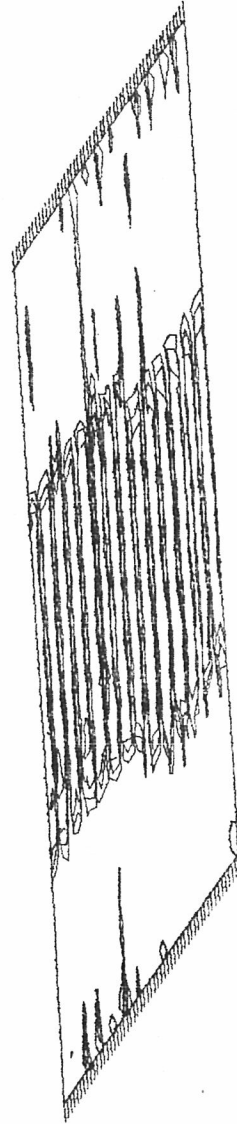
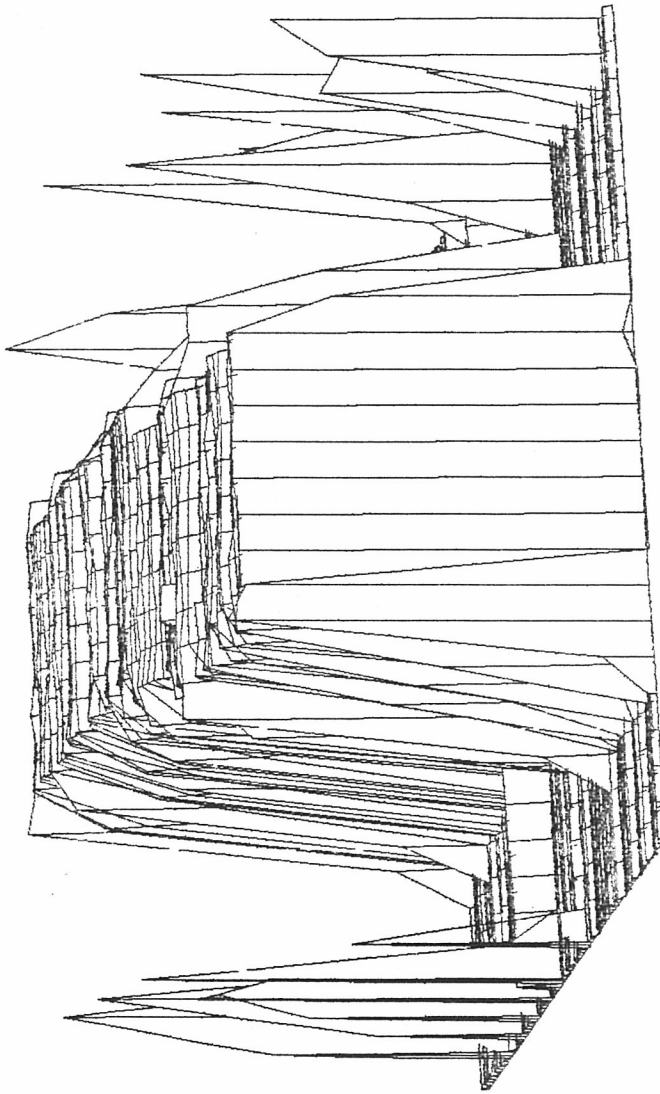


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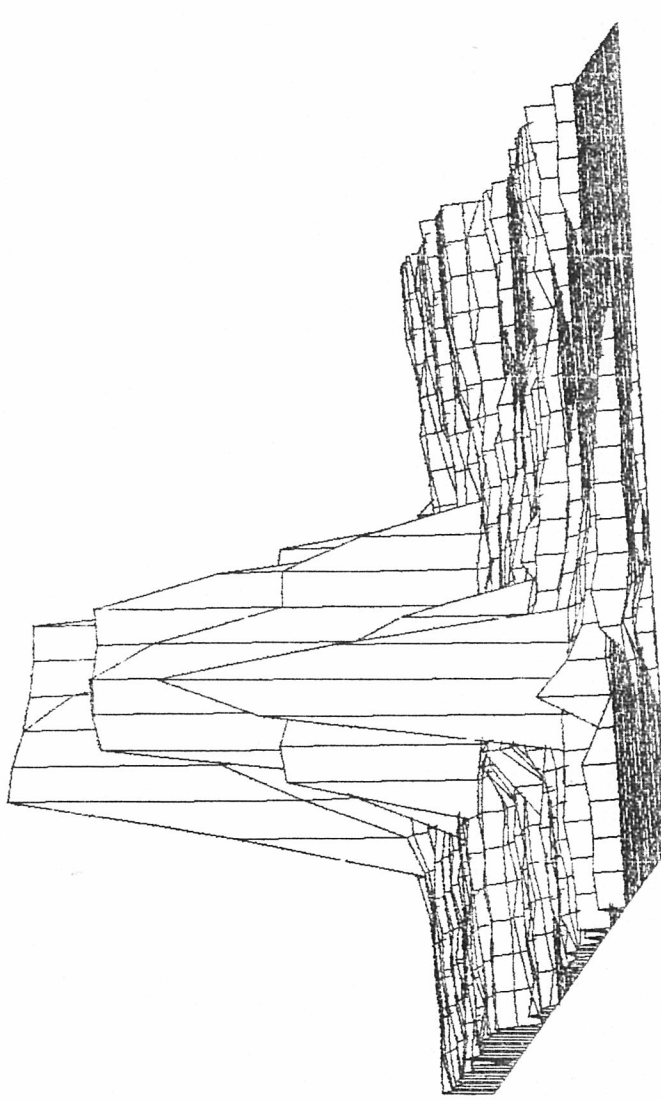
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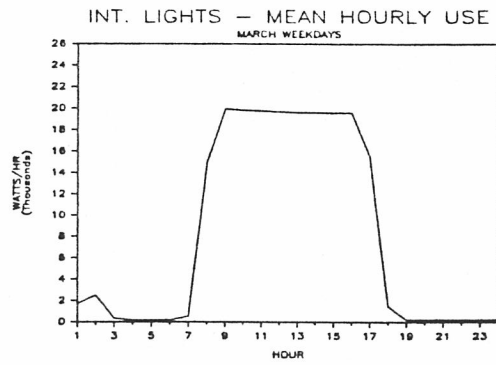
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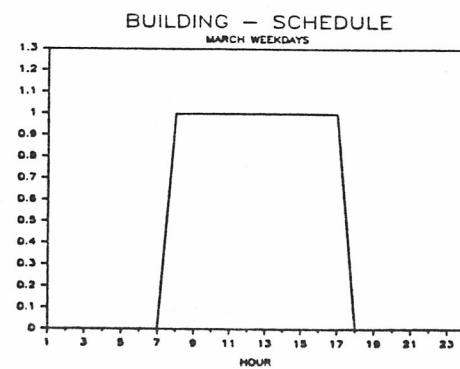
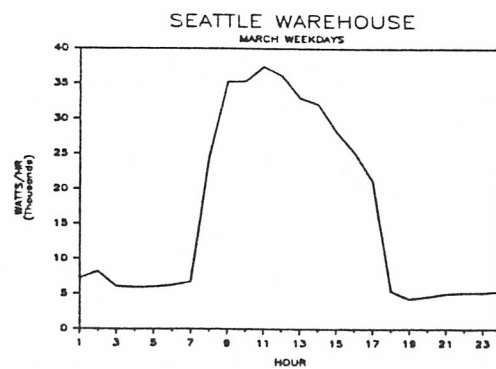
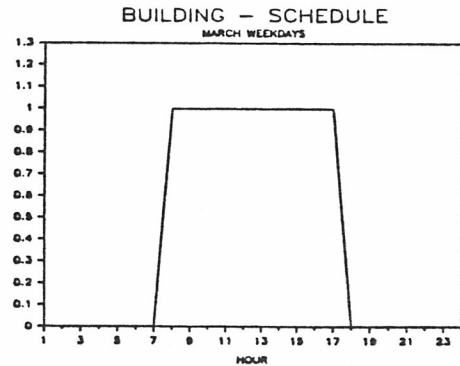
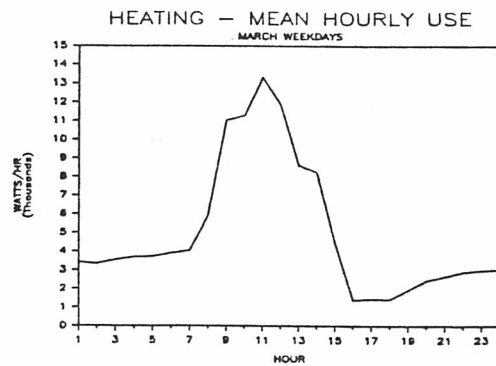
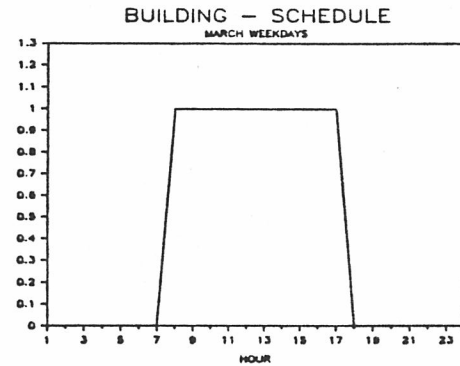
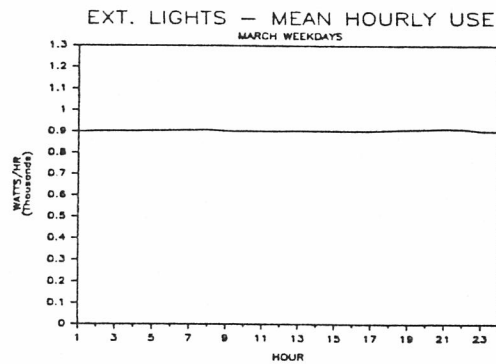
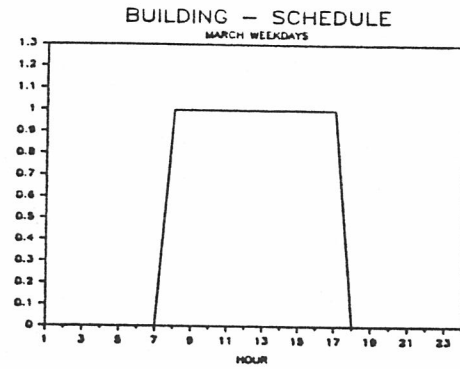
# DIURNAL LOAD SHAPES

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## Week Day Loads



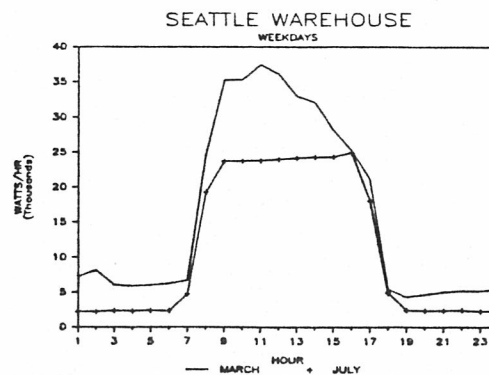
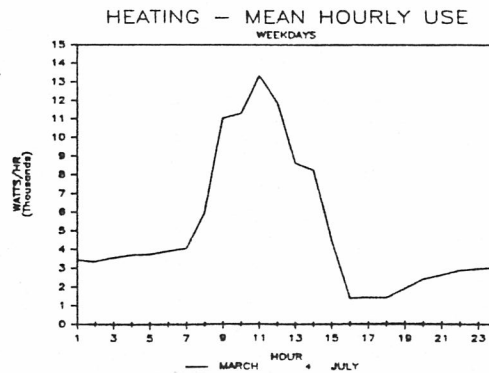
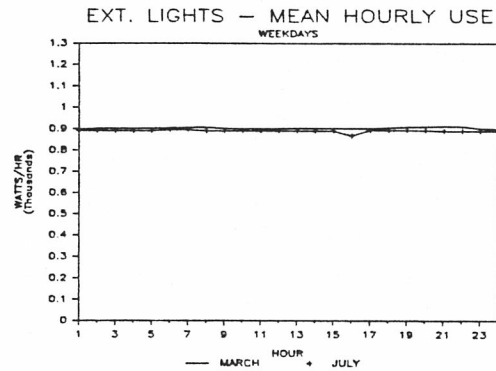
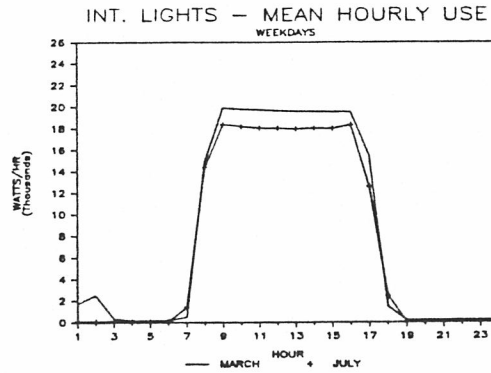
## Schedule



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## Seattle Warehouse

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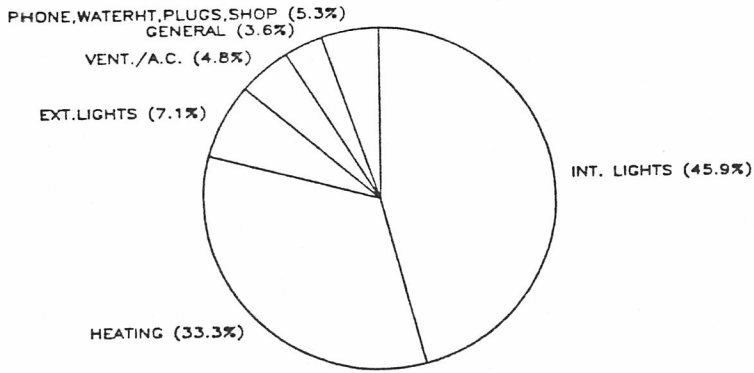


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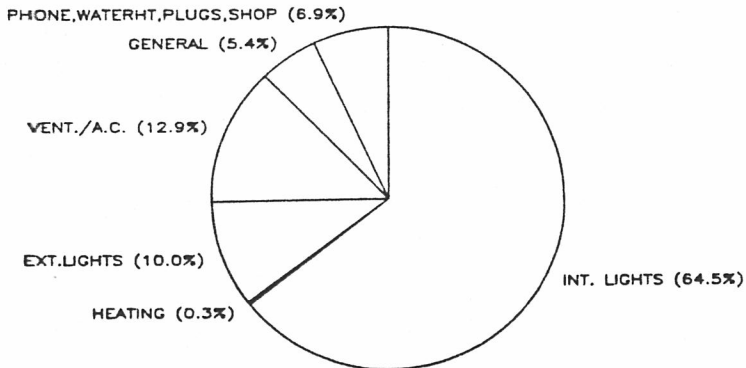
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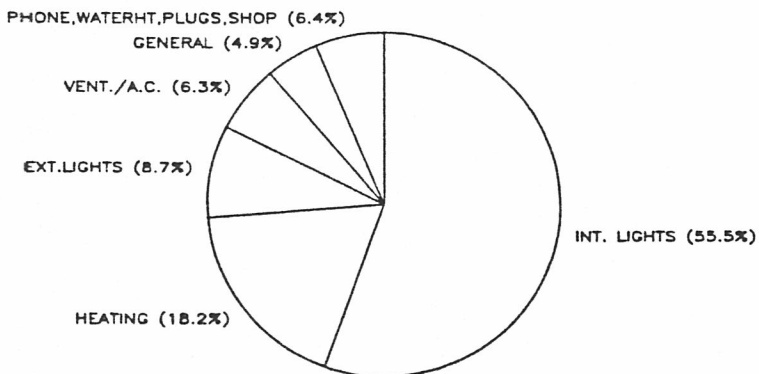
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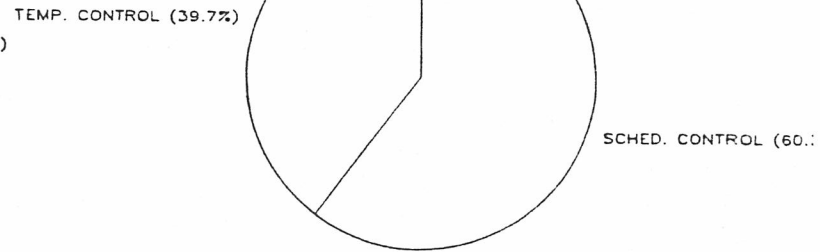


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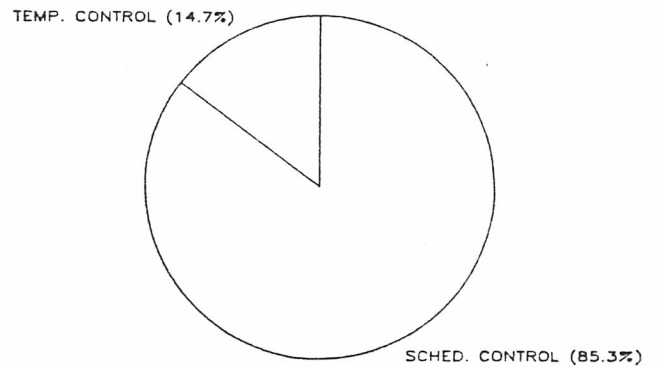


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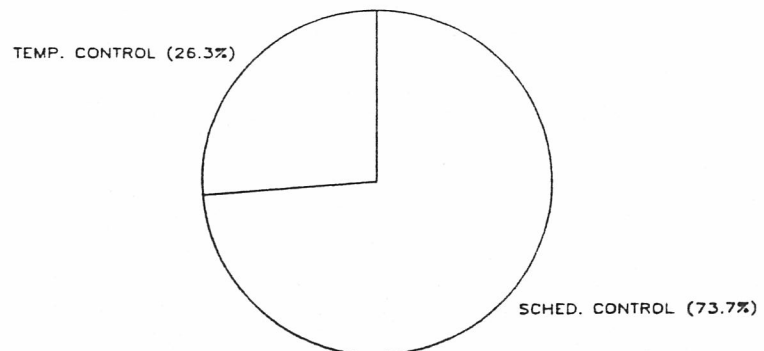
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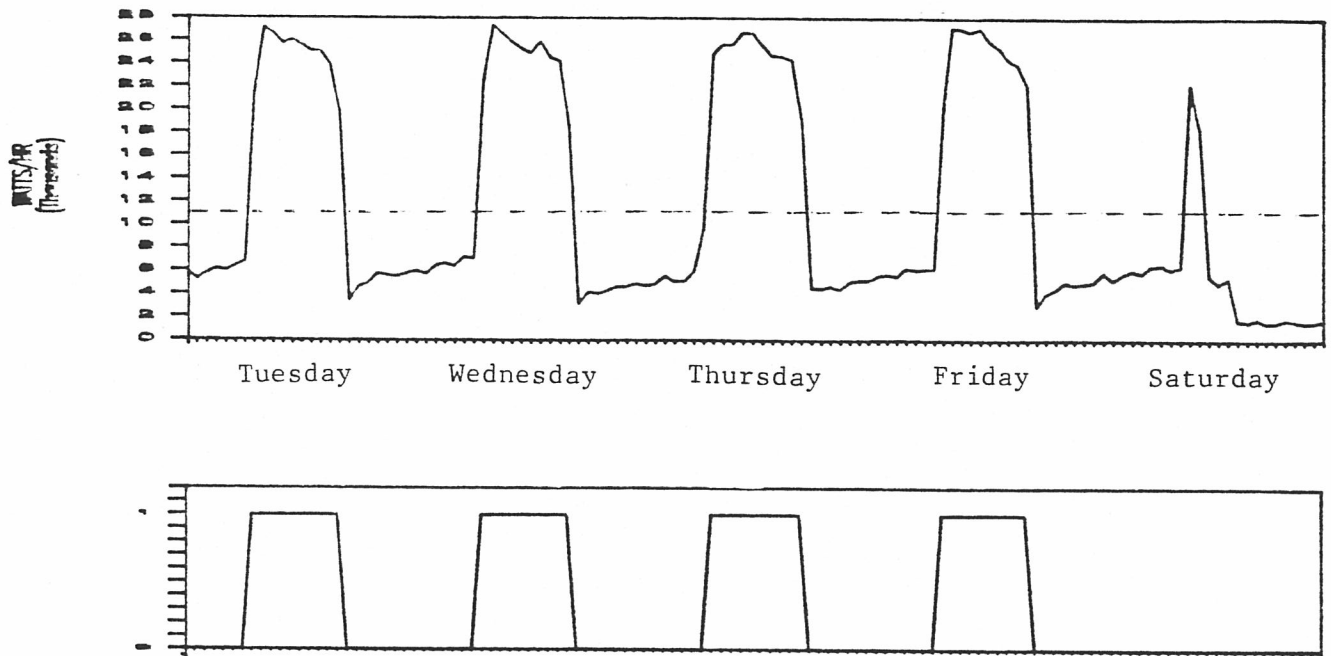


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# CONSTRUCTION OF SCHEDULING FUNCTION

## Seattle Warehouse



### CONCEPTUAL:

BLDG LOAD = BASE + INCREMENT ( during operating hours ) + OTHER

### REGRESSION:

BLDG LOAD = CONSTANT + ( COEFF \* BLDG SCHED ) + RESID

RESID = f ( INDOOR TEMP, OUTSIDE TEMP, INTERACTIONS, ... )

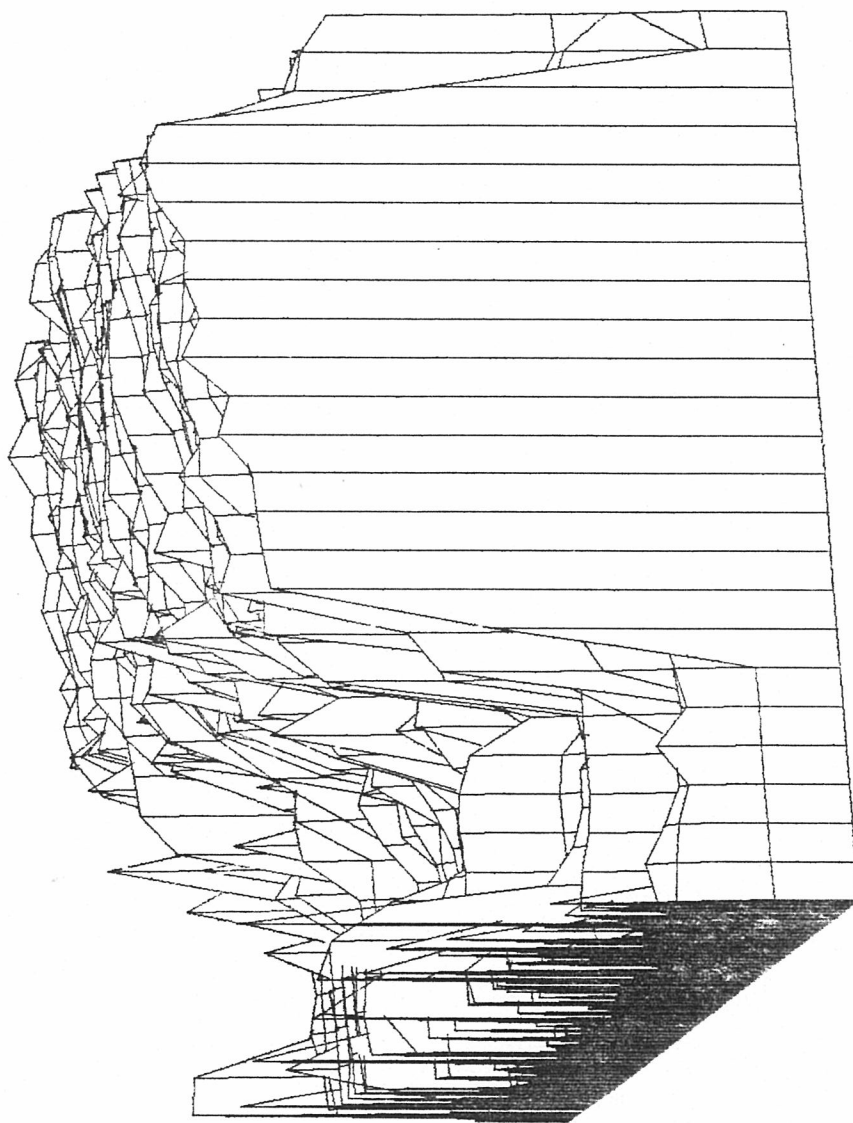
### RESULTS:

BLDGLOAD = 5005 + ( 18836 \* BLDG SCHED )  
(watts)

R2 = .60

F = 4502.

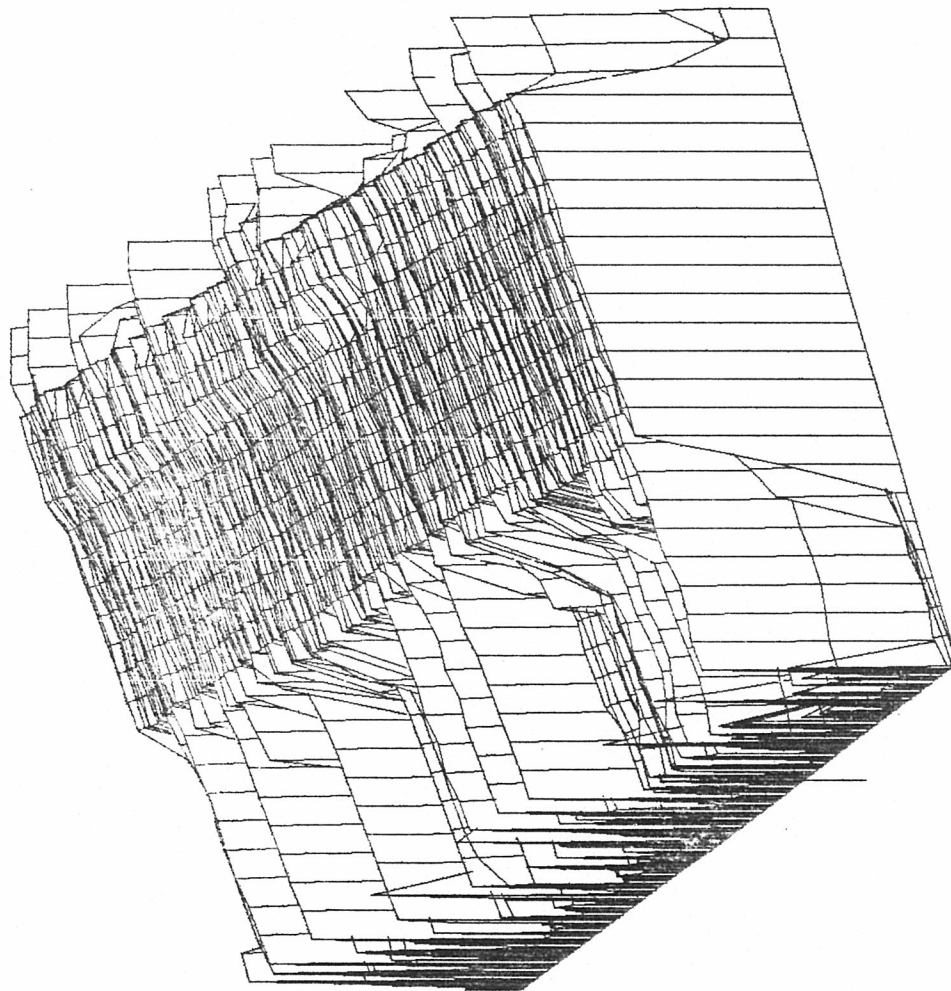
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Jan. 1, 1984 to July 31, 1985



Total Building Load (KW) (NO STOCKING)

KW Load Surface by Day by Hour      Baker Reiter and Assoc

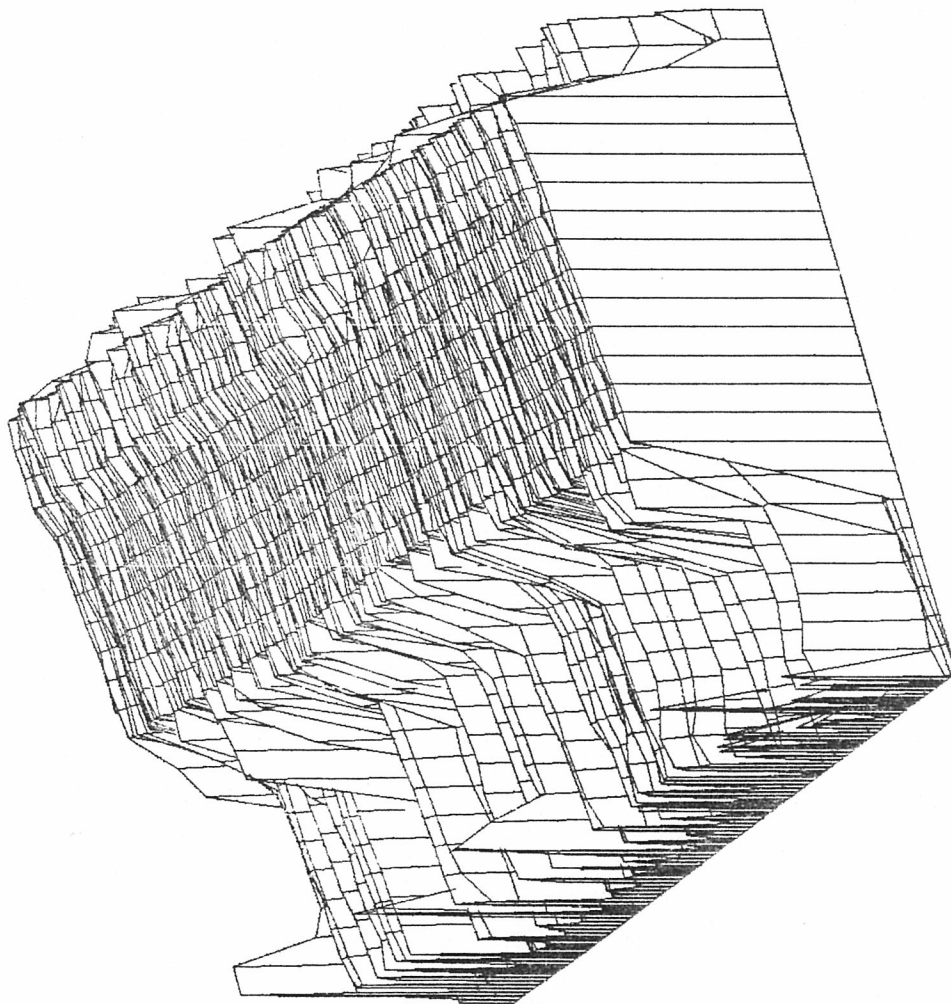
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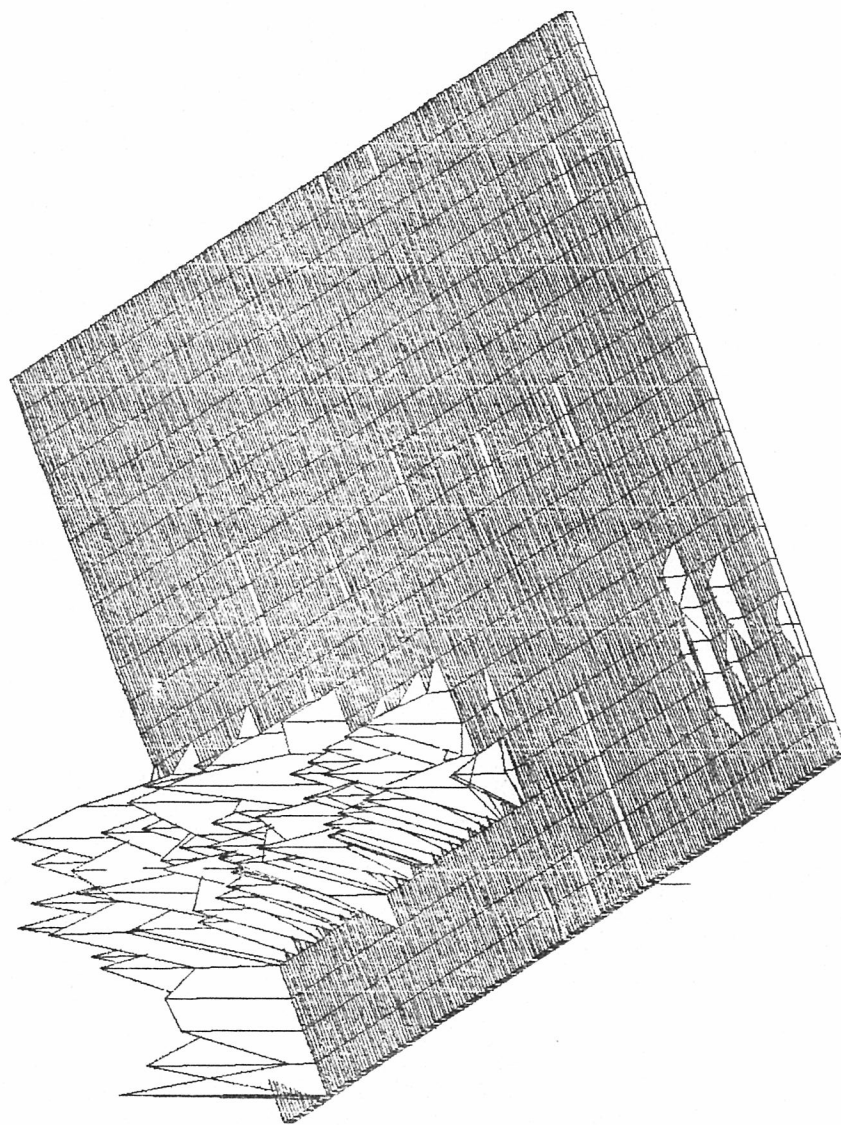
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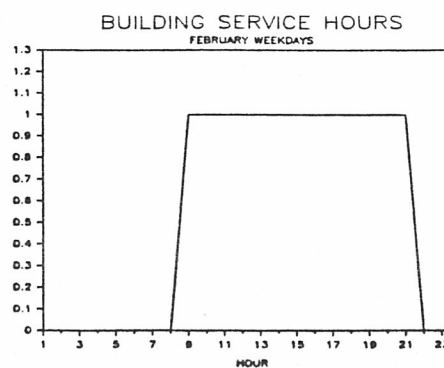
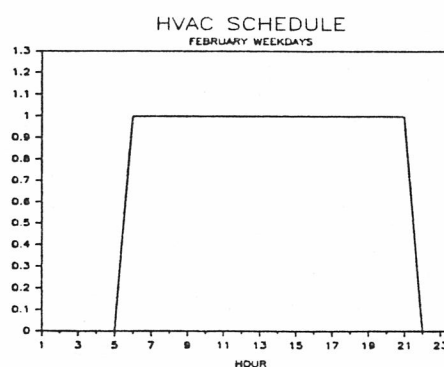
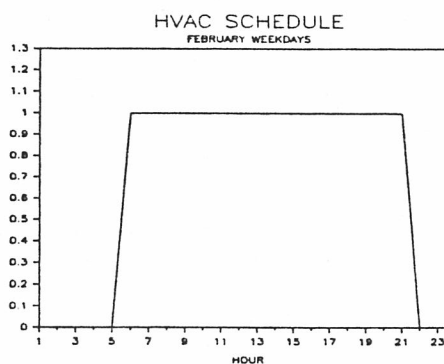
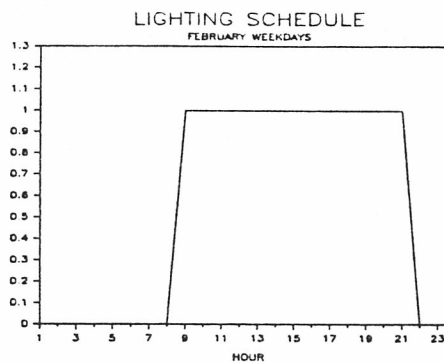
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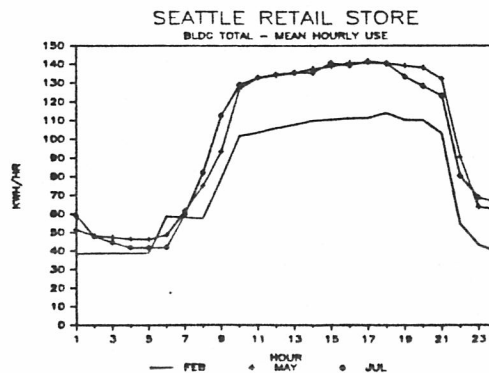
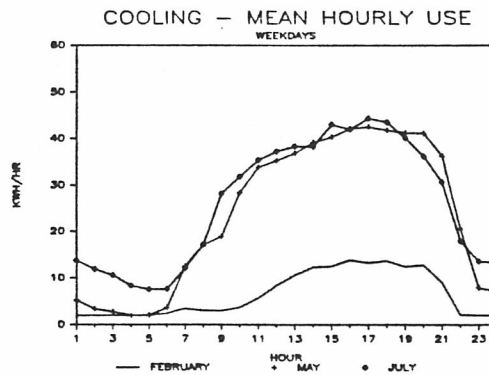
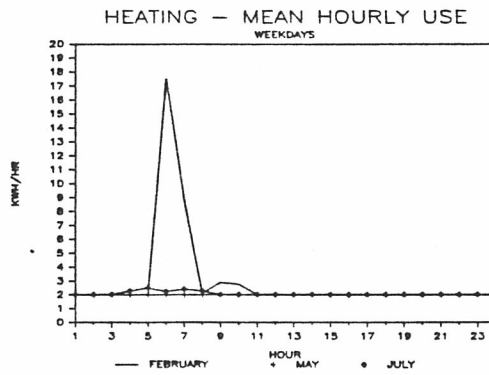
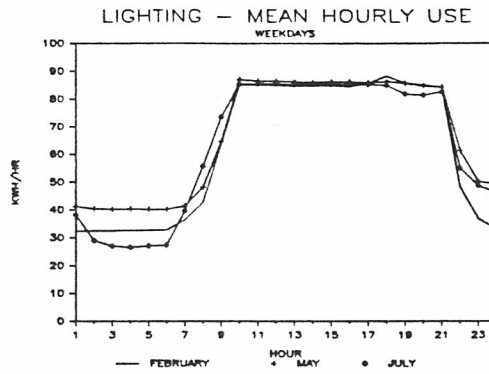
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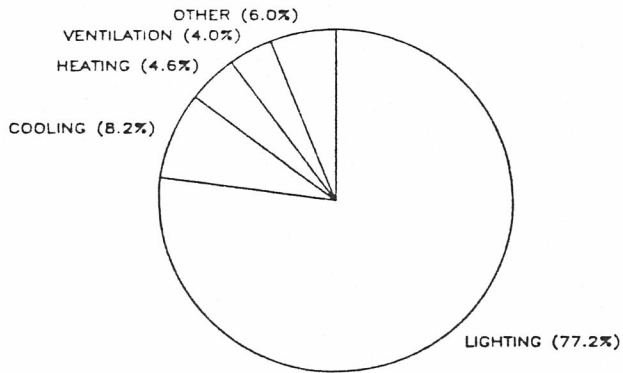


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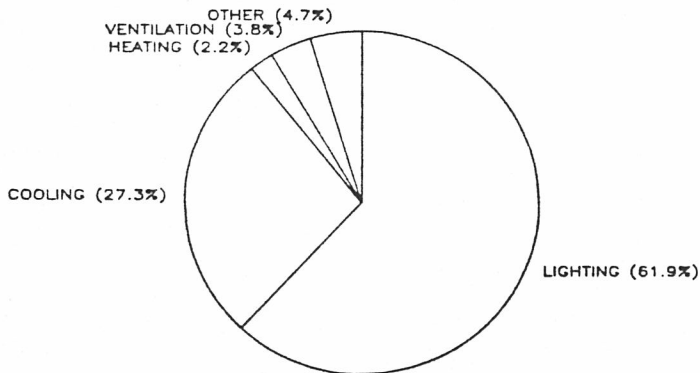
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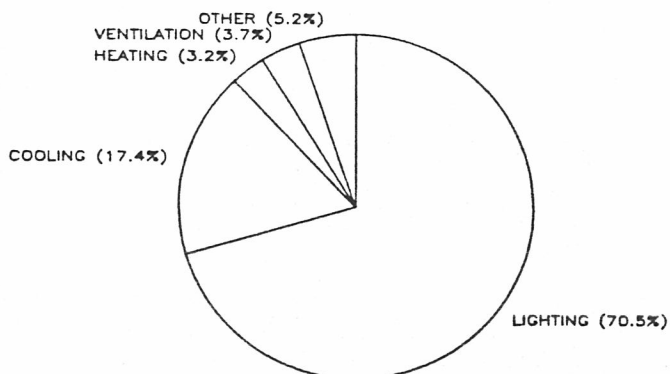
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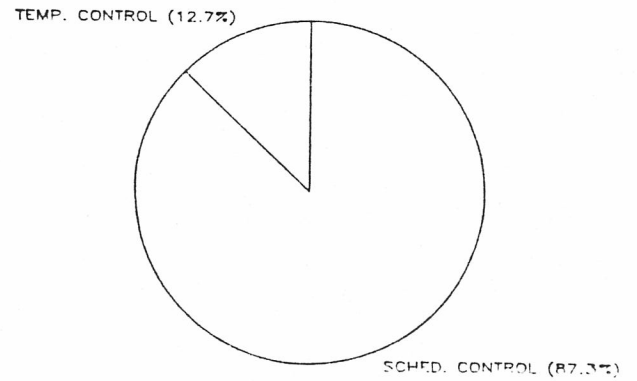


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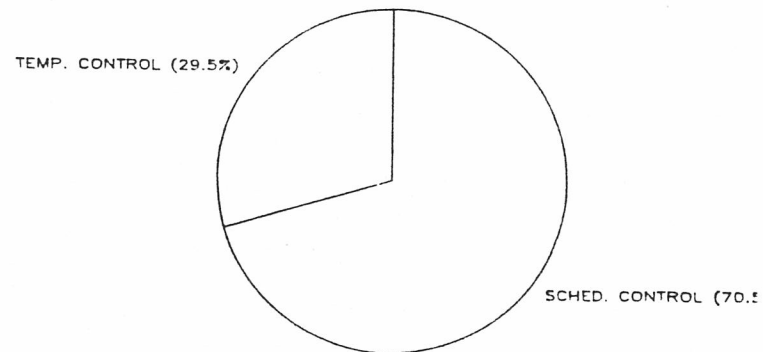


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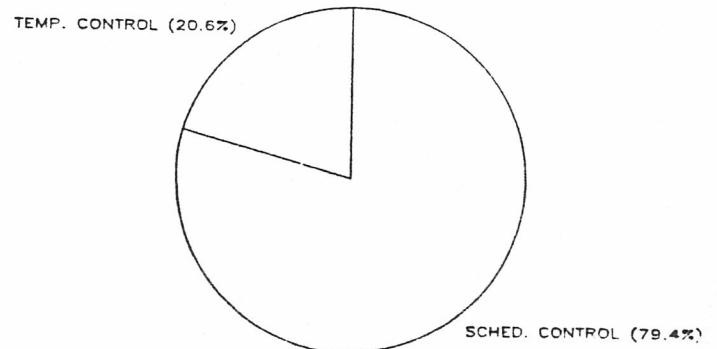
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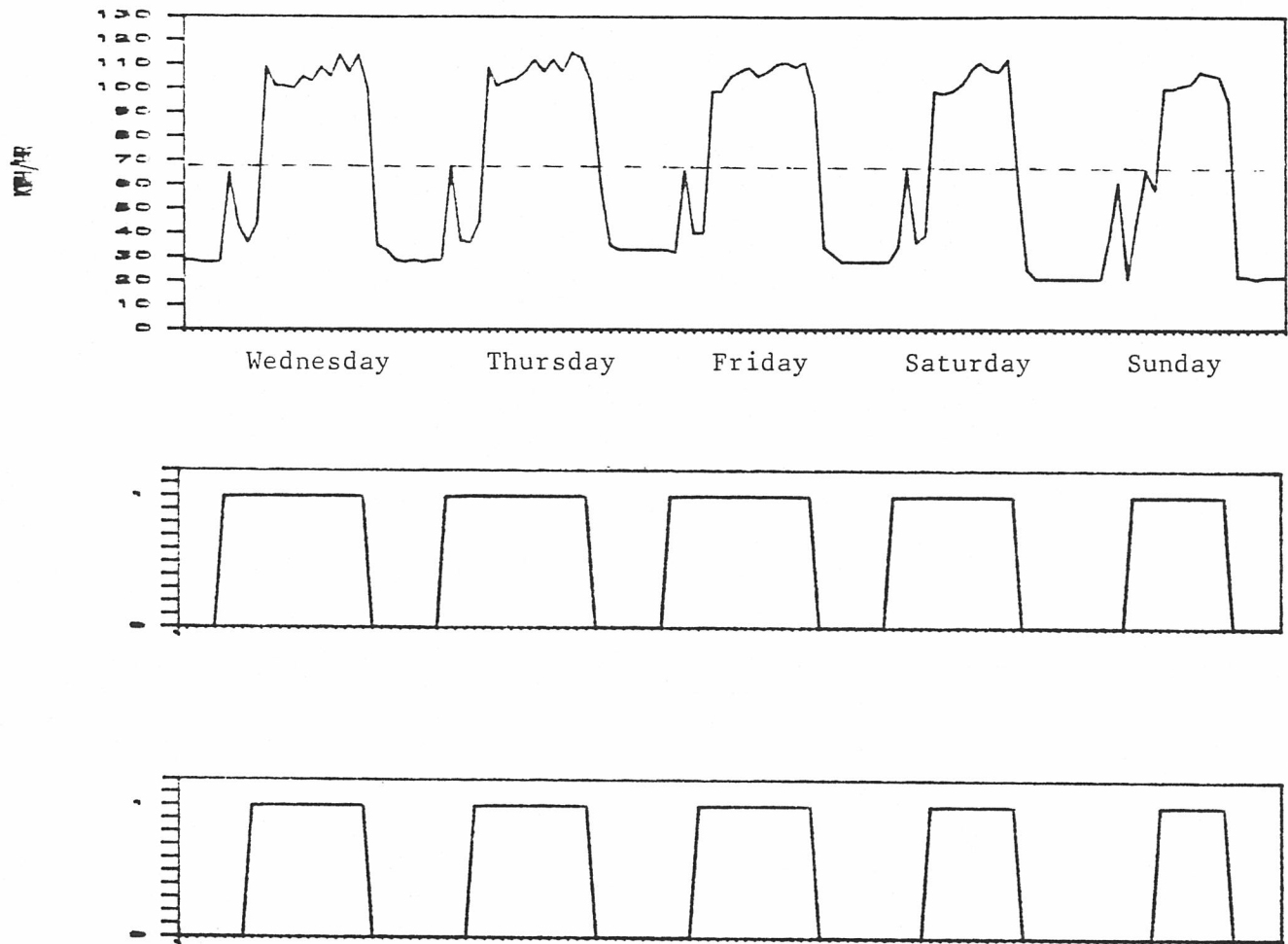


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### CONCEPTUAL:

$$\text{BLDG LOAD} = \text{BASE} + \text{INCR}(\text{heat sched}) + \text{INCR}(\text{light/bldg}) + \text{OTHER}$$

### REGRESSION:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{BLDG LOAD} = & \text{CONST} + (\text{COEFF1} * \text{HVAC SCHED}) + (\text{COEFF2} * \text{LITE SCHED}) \\ & + \text{RESID} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{RESID} = f(\text{INDOOR TEMP}, \text{OUTSIDE TEMP}, \text{INTERACTIONS}, \dots)$$

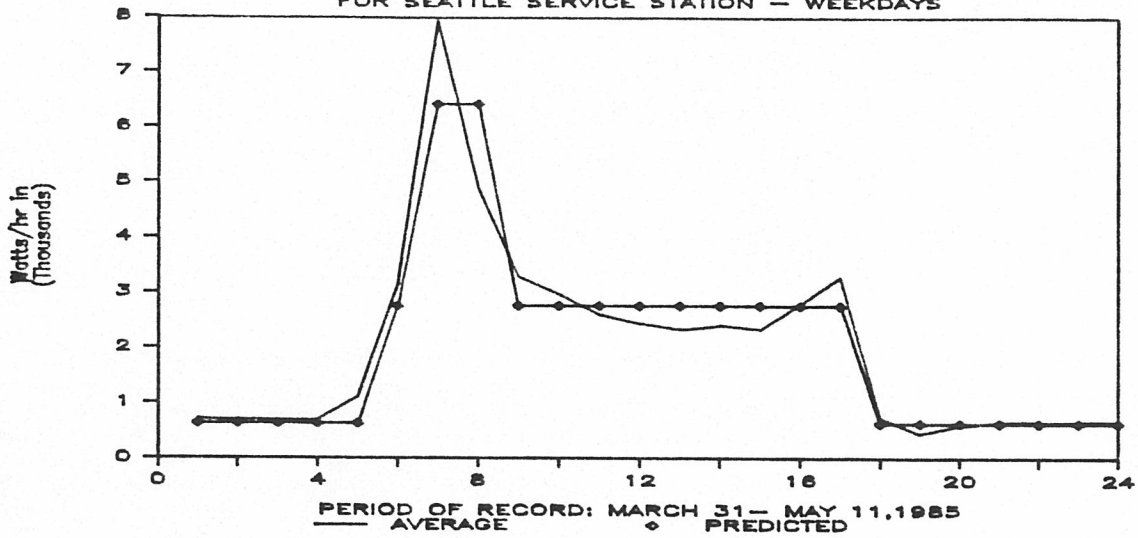
### RESULTS:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{BLDGLOAD} = & 44 + (15 * \text{HVAV SCHED}) + (57 * \text{LITE SCHED}) \\ & (\text{watts}) \end{aligned}$$

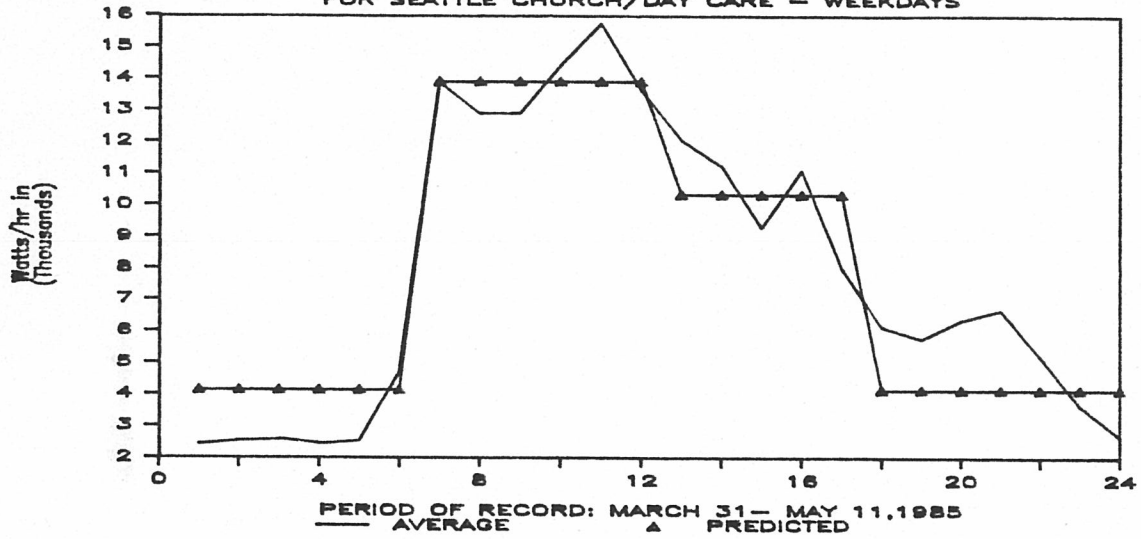
$$R^2 = .72$$

$$F = 6548.$$

# AVERAGE AND PREDICTED LOADS FOR SEATTLE SERVICE STATION - WEEKDAYS



## FOR SEATTLE CHURCH/DAY CARE - WEEKDAYS



## SEATTLE FAST FOOD RESTAURANT

