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- Part 2: Determination of equivalent temperature
- Part 3: Evaluation of thermal comfort using human subjects

### Introduction

The interaction of convective, radiative and conductive heat exchange in a vehicle compartment is very complex. External thermal loads in combination with the internal heating and ventilation system of the vehicle create a local climate that can vary considerably in space and time. Asymmetric thermal conditions arise and these are often the main cause of complaints of thermal discomfort. In vehicles without or having a poor heating, ventilating and air-conditioning system (HVAC-system), thermal stress is determined largely by the impact of the ambient climatic conditions on the vehicle compartment. Subjective evaluation is integrative, as the individual combines into one reaction the combined effect of several thermal stimuli. However, it is not sufficiently detailed or accurate for repeated use. Technical measurements provide detailed and accurate information, but require integration in order to predict the thermal effects on humans. Since several climatic factors play a role for the final heat exchange of a person, an integrated measure of these factors, representing their relative importance, is required.