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ABSTRACT

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INTRODUCTION

Computer codes are available that permit calculations to be made of the effect of a given specified fire on the subsequent environment in a structural fire. Things like temperature of the smoke layer, its depth from the ceiling downwards, its optical density, ceiling, wall and floor temperatures, floor surface heat flux rate, etc are calculated as a function of time in all the rooms of a typical multi-room structural fire. However, the accuracy of these calculations is strongly dependent upon the correctness of the initial fire specifications.

Heat release rates of typical items in fires are needed as a prerequisite for estimating fire growth and temperatures in structural fires. That is, these burning rates are required to be specified by the user as input to single-room and multi-room structural fire computer codes like FPETool, FASTLite and HAZARD, see Bukowski et al (1989), Peacock et al (1994), and Portier et al (1996). Data are given here that permit burning items to be specified in a useful modeled way, taking a t^2 -fire for the growth and decay periods, with a constant maximum heat

release rate between these two periods. A vast range of many items are considered. Detailed tabulation and graphic display of the parameters (for each item during experimental burns) permits fire modelers to initiate calculations. Further knowledge enables the deduction of when second and subsequent items may become involved, whether flashover may occur, and when conditions may become untenable. Thus, it is clear that many important phenomena that are calculated in fires depend on the quality and accuracy of the initial burn specification.

FUNDAMENTALS

Typically, the heat release rate (heat energy evolving on a per unit time basis) of a fire \dot{Q} (kW) changes as the size of the fire changes, as a function of time t (seconds) after fire ignition. That is, the variation of " \dot{Q} " versus " t " is extremely important in characterizing the rate of growth of a fire.

Data are available for heat release rate vs. time for many items, see for example Babrauskas and Grayson (1992), SFPE (1995) and the data base in Bukowski et al. (1989). Furniture calorimeter and cone calorimeter measurements are available, with data specifically for:

- Pools, liquid or plastic
- Cribs (regular array of sticks)
- Wood pallets
- Upholstered furniture
- Mattresses
- Pillows
- Wardrobes (closets)
- Television sets
- Christmas trees

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- Curtains (drapes)
- Electric cable trays
- Trash bags and containers
- Industrial rack-stored commodities

Notice that although data may well be available from careful laboratory experiments, the data may not apply directly to real-world fire situations. The laboratory data does not usually take into account the enhancement of burning rates because of radiation feedback.

Full-scale furniture calorimeter tests give useful information on the burning rates of many typical household items. Peak heating values are particularly useful to know, since in some cases a triangular heat release rate vs. time representation can be utilized for simplicity. Upholstered furniture - wood frame, with fire-retardant polyurethane padding and olefin cover fabric - show peak heat release rates as follows:

F21 Chair	2100 kW	at 260 s
F31 Loveseat	2886 kW	at 230 s
F32 Sofa	3120 kW	at 215 s

The F number used here corresponds to the particular experiment performed, see Bukowski (1989). Other useful peak heat release rates:

Mattress and boxspring	660 kW	at 910 s
Curtain, cotton, 1.87 kg	240 kW	at 175 s
Wastepaper basket, 0.93 kg	15 kW	at 350 s
Television, 39.8 kg	290 kW	at 670 s
Cooking oil, corn, cottonseed, etc. 12-inch pan	116 kW	constant
Christmas tree, spruce, 7 kg	650 kW	at 350 s

and the values help to visualize the differences between the items under burning conditions.

Of special concern in fire investigation and computer reconstruction of building fires is the use of accelerants. Liquid fuels are often preferred. They are used to accelerate the development of the fire, as indicated by temperature and spreading rates. On the practical investigative side, features often include: low burns, high temperatures at low hidden locations, rapid house fire development, and particular flame and smoke colors seen by witnesses. Burning rates of liquid pool fires are available in SFPE (1995).

POOL FIRES

The thermal radiation hazards from hydrocarbon spill fires depend on a number of parameters, including the composition of the hydrocarbon, the size and shape of the fire, the duration of the fire, its proximity to the object at risk, and the thermal characteristics of the object exposed to the fire. The state of the art of predicting the thermal environment of hydrocarbon spill fires consists essentially of semiempirical methods, some of which are based on

experimental data from small- and medium-scale tests. Needless to say, such semiempirical methods are always subject to uncertainties when experimental data from small-scale fires are extrapolated to predict the thermal properties of very large-scale fires.

A systematic study of liquid hydrocarbon pool fires over the widest range of pool diameters was conducted by Blinov and Khudiakov. Gasoline, tractor kerosene, diesel oil, and solar oil (and, to a limited extent, household kerosene and transformer oil) were burned in cylindrical pans (depth not indicated) of diameters 0.37 cm to 22.9 meters. Liquid burning rates and flame heights were measured, and visual and photographic observations of the flames were recorded. Hottel plotted these data and the results are shown in the Figure. The lower curve of this figure shows the variation of burning velocity (in meters/second of depth burning) as a function of the pan diameter. The upper curves give the ratio of flame height to flame diameter as a function of the pan diameter. The diagonal lines on the lower curves represent lines of constant Reynolds numbers, based on pan diameter.

Useful information about the rate of burning of pool fires is readily available in Tables, see SFPE (1995) for example, via the mass consumed per unit area per unit time. From the energy per unit mass values also given, one can readily compute the heat release rate \dot{Q} in kW, or in Btu per hour since 100,000 Btu/hr = 29.31 kW. It may be noted that for pool diameters less than 1 meter, the burning rate expression is reduced because of a reduction in radiation feedback.

THE t^2 -FIRE GROWTH MODEL

Emphasis is often placed on the growth phase of the fire. Slow, medium, fast and ultra-fast fire growths may be specified by the t^2 -fire growth model, where, after an initial incubation period,

$$\dot{Q} = \alpha_f(t - t_0)^2$$

where α_f is a fire-growth coefficient (kW/s^2) and t_0 is the length of the incubation period (s). The coefficient α_f appears to lie in the range 10^{-3} kW/s^2 for very slowly developing fires to 1 kW/s^2 for very fast fire growth. The incubation period (t_0) will depend on the nature of the ignition source and its location, but data are now becoming available (see Babrauskas) on fire growth rates on single items of furniture (upholstered chairs, beds, etc.) which may be quantified in these terms. Suggested values for the coefficient α_f are also given in the formula section of Makefire - a subset of the FPETool Computer Program. The specification there for the fire-growth coefficient α_f (kW/s^2) is:

Slow	0.002778 kW/s^2
Medium	0.011111 kW/s^2

Fast	0.044444 kW/s ²
Ultra-fast	0.177778 kW/s ²

and these correspond to growth times of the fire from zero size to 1 MW total heat output in

Slow	600 seconds
Medium	300 seconds
Fast	150 seconds
Ultra-fast	75 seconds

BURNING RATES OF TYPICAL ITEMS

Experimental data are available for a variety of items, giving heat release rate \dot{Q} (kW) vs time (seconds). Each of these graphs is in conformity with several parameters that completely characterize the situation, as given in Figure 1:

t_o	time to the onset of ignition
$t_{1\text{ MW}}$	time to reach 1 MW
t_{lo}	level-off time
t_d	time at which \dot{Q} decay begins
t_{end}	time at which \dot{Q} equals zero
t_g	growth time = $t_{1\text{ MW}} - t_o$

Notice that both the ascent and decent are characterized by t^2 -fire activity:

$$\dot{Q} = \alpha_g t^2 \text{ where } t = t - t_o$$

$$\dot{Q} = \alpha_d t^2 \text{ where } t = t_{end} - t$$

where α_g and α_d are the fire-growth and fire-decay coefficients (kW/s²), respectively.

These heat release rates \dot{Q} (in kW) vs time t (in seconds) are active only in the growth ($t_o \leq t \leq t_{lo}$) and decay ($t_d \leq t \leq t_{end}$), respectively. The maximum heat release rate \dot{Q}_{max} (kW) occurs when $t_{lo} \leq t \leq t_d$. The growth time to reach 1 MW = 1,000 kW of heat release rate \dot{Q} is $t_{1\text{ MW}} - t_o$ seconds, and this is related to the fire-growth parameter α_g (kW/s²) via

$$\alpha_g = 1000 / (t_{1\text{ MW}} - t_o)^2.$$

Similarly the fire-decay parameter α_d (kW/s²) is found via

$$\alpha_d = \dot{Q}_{max} / (t_{end} - t_d)^2.$$

Also note that the maximum heat release rate \dot{Q}_{max} (kW) is related to other parameters via:

$$\dot{Q}_{max} = 1000[(t_{lo} - t_o) / (t_{1\text{ MW}} - t_o)]^2.$$

In order to characterize in the above fashion the actual experimental data of heat release rate versus time, one proceeds as follows:

1. First, one decides the values to be taken for the three key parameters \dot{Q}_{max} (maximum heat release rate), t_{lo} (time to reach \dot{Q}_{max}) and t_d (time to start decay). Adjustments are made in order to ensure that the modeled total heat release during the time interval of from t_o to t_d seconds matches the experiment to within 0.1 percent.
2. Then, the time to onset of ignition t_o with associated value of fire-growth parameter α_g is chosen so as to match the total heat release during the growth phase of from t_o to t_{lo} seconds. The correspondence of t_o , t_{lo} and α_g is automatic since a t^2 -fire growth is being assumed.
3. Finally, the end time t_{end} with associated value of fire-decay parameter α_d is chosen so as to match the total heat release during the decay phase of from t_d to t_{end} seconds. Again, the correspondence of t_d , t_{end} and α_d is automatic since a t^2 -fire decay is being assumed.

Modeled data are given for heat release rate \dot{Q} (kW) vs. time (seconds) in Tables A, B, C and D respectively as follows:

1. Furniture calorimeter data from FASTLite (see Portier et al, 1996).
2. Furniture calorimeter data from HAZARD (see Peacock et al, 1994).
3. Furniture calorimeter data from Building and Fire Research Laboratory (see BFRL Website, 1999).
4. Cone calorimeter data from HAZARD (see Peacock et al, 1994).

The data are also given in Figures as follows:

1. Table A, see Figures A1 through A34.
2. Table B, see Figures B1 through B21.
3. Table C, see Figures C1 through C10.
4. Table D, see Figures D1 through D25.

Careful perusal and interpretation of the figures will enable the discerning reader to deduce what the values of the defining parameters are. However, for completeness, the data are given directly in the extensive Tables A, B, C, and D in numerical form. Finally \dot{Q} vs. t is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{Q} &= 0 & 0 \leq t \leq t_o \\ \dot{Q} &= \alpha_g (t - t_o)^2 & t_o \leq t \leq t_{lo} \\ \dot{Q} &= \alpha_g (t_{lo} - t_o)^2 & t_{lo} \leq t \leq t_d \\ \dot{Q} &= \alpha_d (t_{end} - t)^2 & t_d \leq t \leq t_{end} \\ \dot{Q} &= 0 & t_{end} \leq t \leq \text{Infinity} \end{aligned}$$

with the parameters taken directly from the Tables for the particular item under consideration.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

During the course of the burning of the first item of furniture in a room, as specified from data such as that just presented in the Table, one of several things might occur. The above has provided information about the burning rate (heat release rate vs. time) of a single specified item in the burn room. What happens next? Either the item burns out without further damage to the surroundings, or one or more nearby items ignite and add fuel to the fire. This can be by direct flame contact (if the second item is judged to be sufficiently close) or, more usually, by radiant heat energy becoming sufficiently large on the surface of the second item. Direct flame contact requires time to pyrolyze the fuel and time to heat the gases produced to their ignition temperature. The radiant flux ignition problem is a very complicated issue, and depends on many factors. The radiant energy comes from the flame above the first item, the upper layer and room surfaces, but simplifying assumptions are sometimes used. As the radiant energy flux rate increases from the first item to the second, often a simple criterion for ignition of the latter is used. A good approximation is that the radiant heat flux (arriving on the surface of the second item) necessary to ignite the second item is:

10 kW/m ²	easily ignitable items, such as thin curtains or loose newsprint
20 kW/m ²	normal items, such as upholstered furniture
40 kW/m ²	difficult to ignite items, such as wood of 0.5 inch or greater thickness

In actuality, ignition is not immediate when the particular level of incident radiant heat flux reaches 10, 20 or 40 kW/m² respectively for easy, normal and difficult to ignite items. These values are used as simple rules of thumb in applied calculations, see Lilley (1995). Fundamental ignition principles, outlined for example in SFPE (1995), suggest that, for fire initiation, a material has to be heated above its critical heat flux CHF value (CHF value is related to the fire point). It was found that, as the surface is exposed to heat flux, initially most of the heat is transferred to the interior of the material. The ignition principles suggest that the rate with which heat is transferred depends on the ignition temperature T_{ig} , ambient temperature T_a , material thermal conductivity k , material specific heat c_p , and the material density ρ . The combined effects are expressed by a parameter defined at the Thermal Response Parameter (TRP) of the material

$$TRP = \Delta T_{ig} \sqrt{k\rho c_p}$$

where $\Delta T_{ig}(= T_{ig} - T_a)$ is the ignition temperature above ambient in degrees K, k is in kW/m-K, ρ is in kg/m³, c_p is in kJ/kg-K, and TRP is in kW-s^{1/2}/m². The TRP is a very useful parameter for the engineering calculations to assess resistance of ignition and fire propagation in as-yet

uninvolved items. The ignition principles suggest that, for thermally thick materials, the inverse of the square root of time to ignition is expected to be a linear function of the difference between the external heat flux and the CHF value

$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{t_{ig}}} = \frac{\sqrt{4/\pi}(\dot{q}_e'' - CHF)}{TRP}$$

where t_{ig} is time to ignition sec, \dot{q}_e'' is the external heat flux kW/m², and CHF is in kW/m². Most commonly used materials behave as thermally thick materials and satisfy this equation.

The Critical Heat Flux and the Thermal Response Parameter values for materials derived from the ignition data measured in the Flammability Apparatus and the Cone Calorimeter, by Scudamore et al (1991), are given in Lilley (1998). He also shows in Tables and Figures how the ignition time t_{ig} may be determined from the heat flux \dot{q}'' and the Critical Heat Flux CHF and Thermal Response Parameter TRP. Complete data are given in Lilley (1998) so as to enable the ignitability question to be determined quickly. Readers are directed to that study to see fully how the size and material of a pool fire determines the total heat release \dot{Q} , the heat flux \dot{q}'' on a target fuel, and the time required for ignition to occur.

FLASHOVER

Whether or not "flashover" occurs during the course of a fire is one of the most important outcomes of a fire calculation. Flashover is characterized by the rapid transition in fire behavior from localized burning of fuel to the involvement of all combustibles in the enclosure. High radiation heat transfer levels from the original burning item, the flame and plume directly above it, and the hot smoke layer spreading across the ceiling are all considered to be responsible for the heating of the other items in the room, leading to their ignition. Warning signs are heat build-up and "rollover" (small, sporadic flashes of flame that appear near ceiling level or at the top of open doorways or windows of smoke-filled rooms). Factors affecting flashover include room size, ceiling and wall conductivity and flammability, and heat- and smoke-producing quality of room contents. Further research studies relating to this topic include Kim and Lilley (1997 and 1999), and Lilley (1995, 1997 and 1998).

CLOSURE

The ability to determine fire growth in terms of when the second and subsequent objects may ignite (and their burning rates) and whether or not "flashover" occurs depends strongly on the initial fire specification. The focus of this entire document was to characterize the initial

item on fire (in terms of burning rate versus time) so as to more accurately be able to calculate fire growth and the possible occurrence of flashover.

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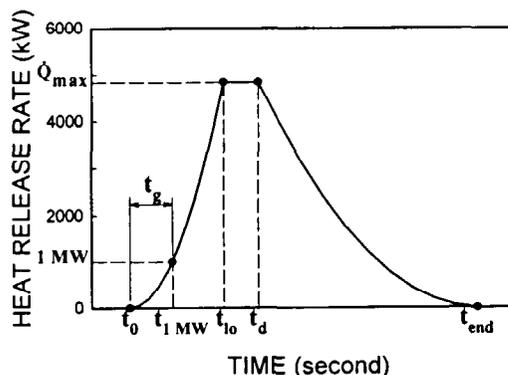


Figure 1. Heat Release Rate vs. Time in t^2 -fire Characterization.

TABLE A. Heat Release Rate vs Time in t^2 -fire Characterization of FASTLite Data

CODE	DESCRIPTION	t_0	$t_{1\text{ MW}}$	t_{10}	t_d	t_{end}	\dot{Q}_{max}	t_p	C_d	C_d
Fig. A1.	Wardrobe 1	0	35	60	90	500	2938.8	35	0.816327	0.017482
Fig. A2.	Wardrobe 2	0	40	100	110	140	6250.0	40	0.625000	6.944444
Fig. A3.	Wardrobe 3	0	30	70	80	400	5444.4	30	1.111111	0.053168
Fig. A4.	Wardrobe 4	0	90	150	160	450	2777.8	90	0.123457	0.033029
Fig. A5.	Wardrobe 5	0	150	170	670	2000	1284.4	150	0.044444	0.000726
Fig. A6.	Chair 1	0	1000	650	660	1900	422.5	1000	0.001000	0.000275
Fig. A7.	Chair 2	0	100	140	160	500	1960.0	100	0.100000	0.016955
Fig. A8.	Chair 3	0	200	175	176	900	765.6	200	0.025000	0.001461
Fig. A9.	Chair 4	0	60	60	210	430	1000.0	60	0.277778	0.020661
Fig. A10.	Chair 5	0	350	275	475	1000	617.3	350	0.008163	0.002240
Fig. A11.	Chair 6	0	50	70	90	315	1960.0	50	0.400000	0.038716
Fig. A12.	Chair 7	0	2000	210	310	1000	11.0	2000	0.000250	0.000023
Fig. A13.	Chair 8	0	400	275	475	1000	472.7	400	0.006250	0.001715
Fig. A14.	Chair 9	0	200	90	310	550	202.5	200	0.025000	0.003516
Fig. A15.	Chair 10	0	75	50	250	1250	444.4	75	0.177778	0.000444
Fig. A16.	Chair 11	0	425	347	367	1000	666.6	425	0.005536	0.001664
Fig. A17.	Chair 12	0	80	160	170	420	4000.0	80	0.156250	0.064000
Fig. A18.	Chair 13	0	200	187	200	500	874.2	200	0.025000	0.009714
Fig. A19.	Bed	0	1100	680	1080	1300	382.1	1100	0.000826	0.007896
Fig. A20.	Lounge chair 1	0	350	170	220	350	235.9	350	0.008163	0.013960
Fig. A21.	Lounge chair 2	0	120	20	21	150	27.8	120	0.069444	0.001669
Fig. A22.	Lounge chair 3	0	275	230	430	900	699.5	275	0.013223	0.003167
Fig. A23.	Lounge chair 4	0	500	130	140	300	67.6	500	0.004000	0.002641
Fig. A24.	Loveseat 1	0	400	350	400	2000	765.6	400	0.006250	0.000299
Fig. A25.	Loveseat 2	0	80	130	160	400	2640.6	80	0.156250	0.045844
Fig. A26.	Loveseat 3	0	350	330	430	1500	889.0	350	0.008163	0.000776
Fig. A27.	Metal wardrobe 1	0	250	125	150	500	250.0	250	0.016000	0.002041
Fig. A28.	Metal wardrobe 2	0	50	40	47	200	640.0	50	0.400000	0.027340
Fig. A29.	Patient lounge chair	0	170	80	90	150	221.5	170	0.034602	0.061515
Fig. A30.	Sofa 1	0	500	260	460	800	270.4	500	0.004000	0.002339
Fig. A31.	Sofa 2	0	100	170	250	430	2890.0	100	0.100000	0.089198
Fig. A32.	F21 Chair	140	215	250	250	360	2151.1	75	0.177778	0.177778
Fig. A33.	F31 Loveseat	90	165	215	265	390	2777.8	75	0.177778	0.177778
Fig. A34.	F32 Sofa	75	150	205	270	400	3004.4	75	0.177778	0.177778

TABLE B. Heat Release Rate vs Time in t^2 -fire Characterization of HAZARD Data (Furniture Calorimeter)

CODE	DESCRIPTION	IGNITION SOURCE	t_0	$t_{1,MW}$	t_0	t_g	t_{end}	\dot{Q}_{max}	t_p	α_g	α_d
Fig. B1. Bed 1	BED001 Double bed,bedding,night table;gyp bd walls;test R1 (85-2998)	Wastebasket&trash,0.75 kg	169	211	230	230	936	2109.4	42	0.566893	0.0042327
Fig. B2. Bed 2	BED002 Double bed,bedding,night table;plywood walls;test R5 (85-2998)	Wastebasket&trash,0.75 kg	164	239	360	430	998	6829.5	75	0.177778	0.0211699
Fig. B3. Chair 1 (F21)	UPC001 Upholstered chair,F21,wood frame,pu foam-fr,olefin	Gas burner,50kw,200s	126	218	260	260	607	2121.5	92	0.118147	0.017619
Fig. B4. Chair 2 (F23)	UPC002 Chair,F23,wood frame,fr cotton batting,olefin test 24 (82-2604)	Gas burner,50kw,200s	0	538	450	450	1932	699.6	538	0.003455	0.000319
Fig. B5. Chair 3 (F25)	UPC003 Upholstered chair,F25,wood frame,pu foam,olefin,test 29	Gas burner,50kw,200sec	106	215	260	260	679	1996.1	109	0.084168	0.0113700
Fig. B6. Chair 4 (F28)	UPC004 Uphols.chair,F28,wood frame,pu/pe/ctn bedding,cotton test 28	Gas burner,50kw,200sec	82	478	420	420	1184	728.5	396	0.006377	0.0012489
Fig. B7. Chair 5 (F30)	UPC005 Uphols.chair,F30,pu frame,pu foam,olefin,test 30 (82-2604)	Gas burner,50kw,200sec	40	140	130	263	1017	810.0	100	0.100000	0.0014256
Fig. B8. Chair 6	CHR001 Bean bag chair,vinyl/ps foam beads,c05 nbs tn 1103	Newspaper,396g	88	748	545	718	1228	479.5	660	0.002296	0.001843
Fig. B9. Chair 7	CHR002 Chair,molded flexible pu frame,pu cover test 64 (83-2787)	Gas burner,50kw,200s	644	1662	1330	1330	2685	454.1	1018	0.000965	0.000247
Fig. B10. Chair 8	CHR003 Easy chair,molded ps foam frame,pu pad&cover,c07,test 48	Gas burner,50kw,200s	38	245	240	240	883	952.3	207	0.023338	0.002303
Fig. B11. Christmas Tree	CTR001 Christmas tree,spruce,dry, vtt 285,no.17	200 ml isopropanol	290	327	320	350	478	657.4	37	0.730460	0.0401256
Fig. B12. Cooking Oil	CKG001 Cooking Oil,Corn;Cottonseed;Etc In 12in.Pan		0	15	5	1000	1000	111.1	15	4.444444	
Fig. B13. Curtain	CUR001 Curtain,Cotton,0.31kg/M2,item 9	5ml isopropanol	123	229	175	175	411	240.7	106	0.089000	0.004321
Fig. B14. Loveseat (F31)	UPS002 Loveseat,F31,wood frame,pu foam(fr),olefin test 37 (82-2604)	Gas burner,50kw,200s	71	165	229	249	701	2825.3	94	0.113173	0.013829
Fig. B15. Mattress 1	MAT001 Mattress,m05,pu foam,rayon ticking,bedding	Wastebasket+0.72kg cont	269	437	480	480	933	1577.4	168	0.035431	0.007687
Fig. B16. Mattress 2	MAT002 Mattress+boxspring(westchase hilton) test 67 (83-2787)	Cigarette lighter	144	858	606	980	2233	418.7	714	0.001962	0.000267
Fig. B17. Sofa (F32)	UPS001 Upholstered\sofa,F32,wood\frame,pu foam-fr,olefin test 38	Gas burner,50kw,200s	74	154	211	283	651	2932.7	80	0.156250	0.021655
Fig. B18. Trash Bags	TRB001 Trash bags (3),paper		0	100	58	111	517	336.4	100	0.100000	0.002041
Fig. B19. TV Set	TLV001 Television set,b/w,wood cabinet,exp.3	100ml isopropanol	304	984	670	670	1872	289.7	680	0.002163	0.000201
Fig. B20. Wardrobe	CLT001 Wardrobe closet,plywood,fr paint nbsir83-2787 test 42	Cardboard box/paper 0.9kg	70	113	170	170	358	5408.3	43	0.540833	0.153020
Fig. B21. Waste Basket	WPB001 Wastepaper basket,polyethylene,milk cartons,exp.7	10ml isopropanol	115	2034	350	350	1264	15.0	1919	0.000272	0.000010

TABLE C. Heat Release Rate vs Time in t^2 -fire Characterization of Building and Fire Research Laboratory Data

	CODE	DESCRIPTION	t_0	t_{1MW}	t_{10}	t_d	t_{end}	\dot{Q}_{max}	t_g	α_g	α_d
Fig. C1.	Bunk Bed	BFRL* in February 1996.	186	211	240	240	445	4665.6	25	1.600000	0.111020
Fig. C2.	Koisk	Western Fire Center in the summer of 1995.	817	1129	1230	1230	3300	1752.2	312	0.010273	0.000409
Fig. C3.	Loveseat		48	222	350	371	866	3012.4	174	0.033029	0.012294
Fig. C4.	Mattress (Center)	BFRL in February 1996.	9	173	145	219	959	687.7	164	0.037180	0.001256
Fig. C5.	Mattress (Corner)	BFRL in February 1996.	85	294	295	321	484	1009.6	209	0.022893	0.037999
Fig. C6.	Small Dresser	BFRL in February 1996.	112	346	423	423	870	1766.4	234	0.018263	0.008840
Fig. C7.	Sofa		26	222	390	399	931	3449.0	196	0.026031	0.012186
Fig. C8.	Wooden Pallet	BFRL in February 1996.	0	467	634	664	1616	1843.1	467	0.004585	0.002034
Fig. C9.	Workstation (2 panels)	Sponsored by GSA** and performed at BFRL in 1991.	132	244	280	280	3276	1746.2	112	0.079719	0.000195
Fig. C10.	Workstation (3 panels)	Sponsored by GSA and performed at BFRL in 1991.	283	386	550	550	1142	6719.7	103	0.094260	0.019174

* BFRL - Building and Fire Research Laboratory

** GSA - General Services Administration

TABLE D. Heat Release Rate vs Time in t^2 -fire Characterization of HAZARD Data (Cone Calorimeter)

CODE	DESCRIPTION	t_0	$t_{1,MW}$	t_b	t_{end}	Q_{max} **	t_g	α_g	α_d
Fig. D1.	Cotton Fabric	29	89	45	206	71.1	60	0.277778	0.002743
Fig. D2.	Fir Board	2	32	15	1502	187.8	30	1.111111	0.000085
Fig. D3.	Fir Plywood Board 1	74	124	92	604	129.6	50	0.400000	0.000374
Fig. D4.	Fir Plywood Board 2	0	28	13	309	215.6	28	1.275510	0.000093
Fig. D5.	Gypsum Board 1	228	280	243	246	83.2	52	0.369822	0.106135
Fig. D6.	Gypsum Board 2	6	66	30	102	160.0	60	0.277778	0.030864
Fig. D7.	Mattress Composite	8	44	28	111	308.6	36	0.771605	0.109876
Fig. D8.	Oak Board 1	156	191	166	1684	2310	81.6	35	0.816327
Fig. D9.	Oak Board 2	0	26	11	707	1802	179.0	26	1.479290
Fig. D10.	Oak Board 3	0	28	13	806	1354	215.6	28	1.275510
Fig. D11.	Pine Board 1	14	19	16	637	940	160.0	5	40.000000
Fig. D12.	Pine Board 2	111	198	137	834	1511	89.3	87	0.132118
Fig. D13.	Pine Board 3	0	8	3	587	4048	140.6	8	15.625000
Fig. D14.	Pine Board 4	40	67	47	1097	4176	67.2	27	1.371742
Fig. D15.	PMMA Sheet 1	0	123	115	804	1032	874.1	123	0.066098
Fig. D16.	PMMA Sheet 2	148	218	197	1689	2240	490.0	70	0.204052
Fig. D17.	Polyisocyanurate Foam 1	0	40	9	9	61	50.6	40	0.625000
Fig. D18.	Polyisocyanurate Foam 2	0	15	6	6	1127	160.0	15	4.444444
Fig. D19.	Polystyrene Foam	84	268	201	201	417	404.3	184	0.029537
Fig. D20.	Polyurethane Foam 1	15	112	80	80	158	449.0	97	0.106281
Fig. D21.	Polyurethane Foam 2	0	33	15	15	260	206.6	33	0.918274
Fig. D22.	Polyurethane Foam 3	0	36	12	12	115	111.1	36	0.771605
Fig. D23.	Polyvinyl Sheet	12	102	37	703	768	77.2	90	0.123457
Fig. D24.	Rayon Fabric	26	73	40	40	71	88.7	47	0.452694
Fig. D25.	Wool Fabric	23	62	45	167	318.2	39	0.657462	0.021379

* In this table, $t_{1,MW}$ refers to the time to reach 1 MW/m².** In this table, Q_{max} refers to the maximum heat release rate in kW/m².

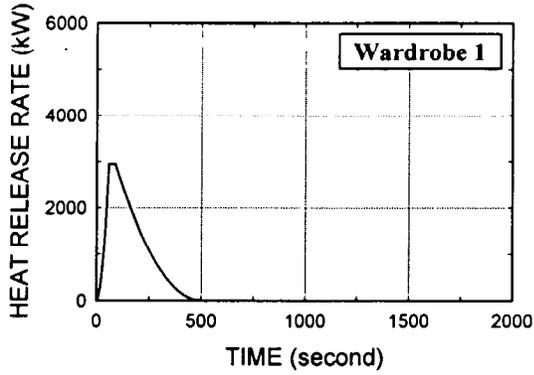


Fig. A1. 1/2" Plywood wardrobe, clothing on 16 hangers

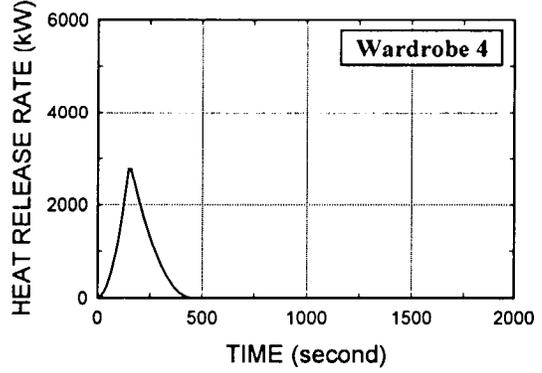


Fig. A4. 1/8" Plywood wardrobe, FR paint, clothing on 16 hangers

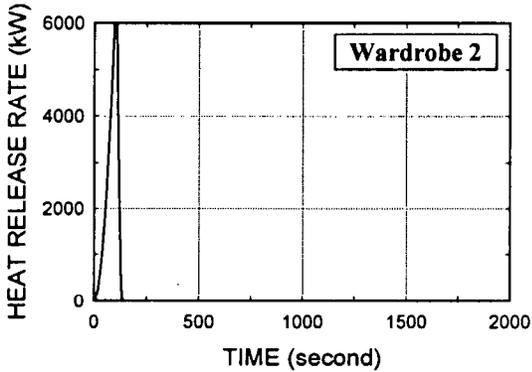


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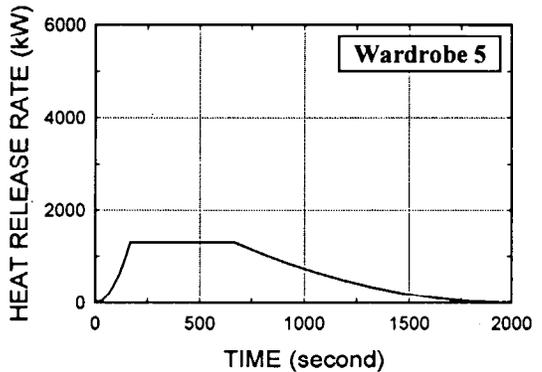


Fig. A5. 3/4" Particle-board wardrobe, thin plastic coating

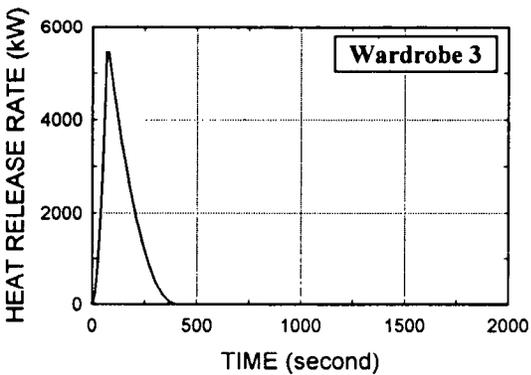


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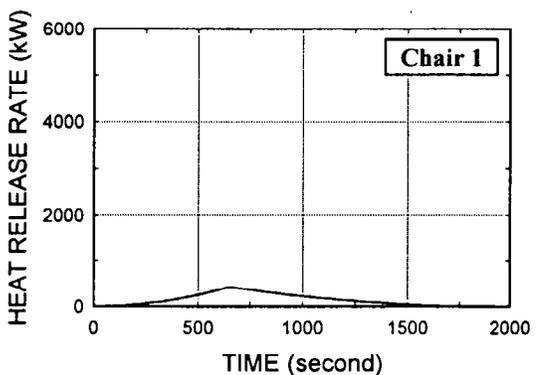


Fig. A6. Chair, one-piece wood-reinforced urethane foam

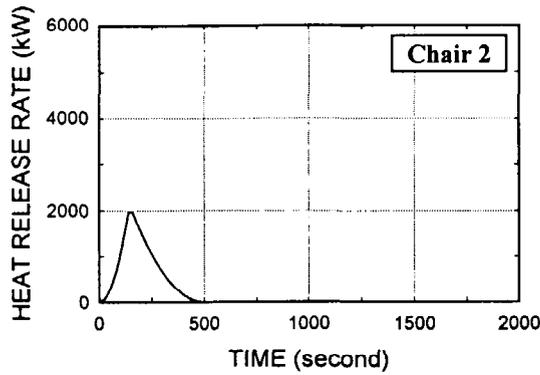


Fig. A7. Chair, polypropylene foam frame, urethane foam, polyolefin fabric

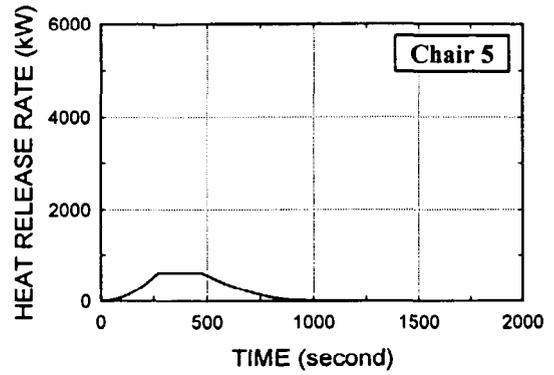


Fig. A10. Chair, wood frame, California foam, Haitian cotton fabric

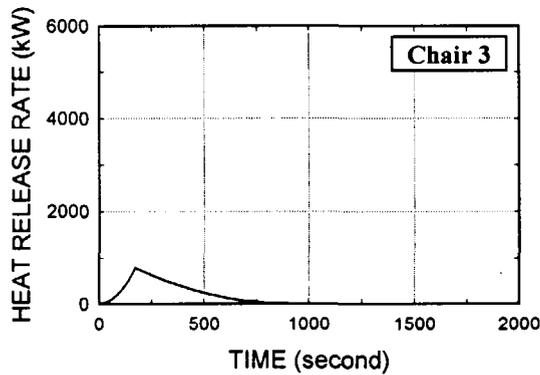


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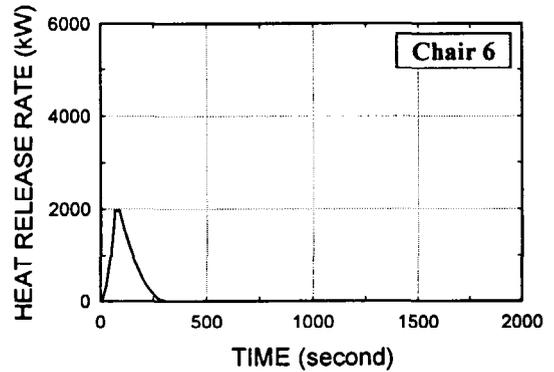


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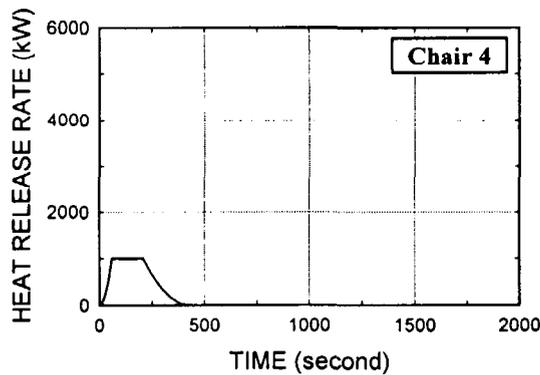


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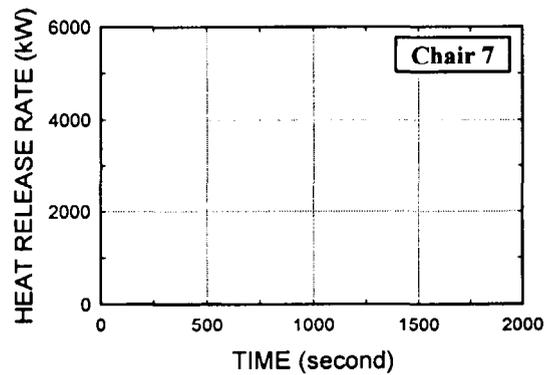


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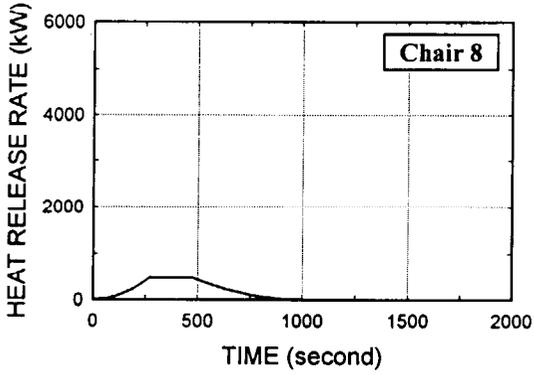


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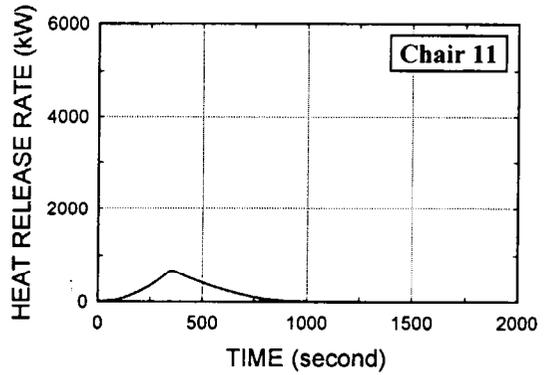


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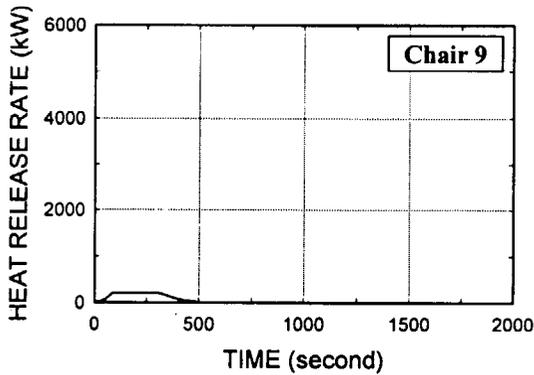


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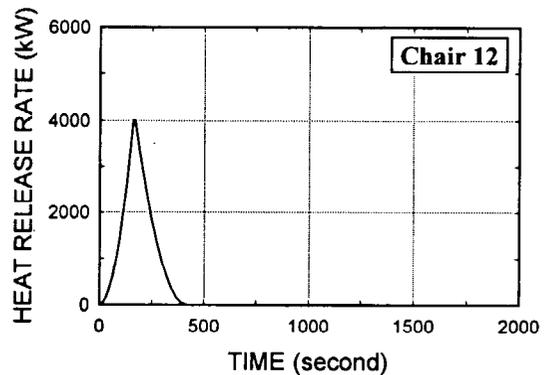


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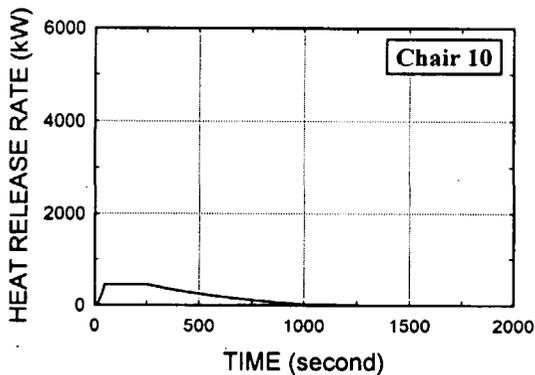


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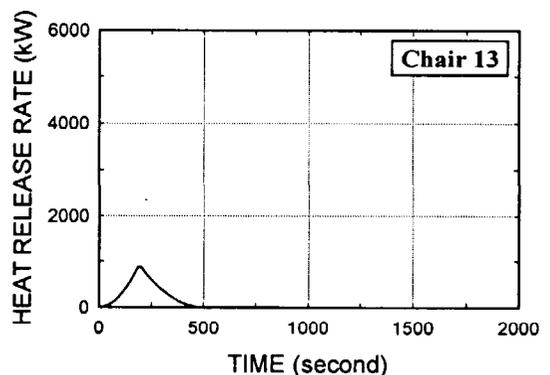


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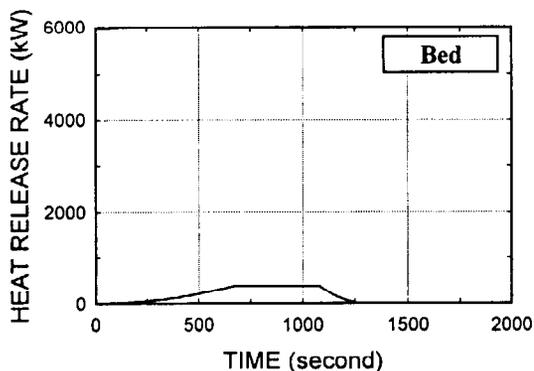


Fig. A19. Innerspring mattress and boxspring, cotton felt/urethane/sisal spring cover

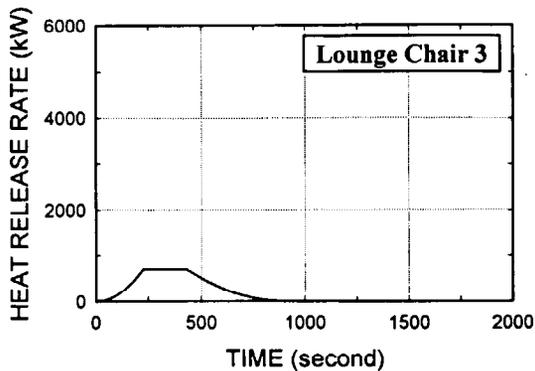


Fig. A22. Lounge chair, one-piece molded thermoplastic

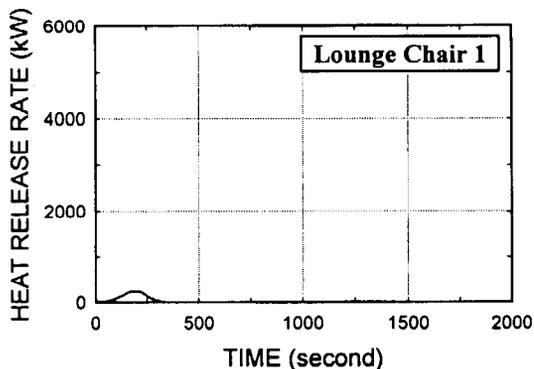


Fig. A20. Lounge chair, metal frame, urethane foam, plastic-coated fabric

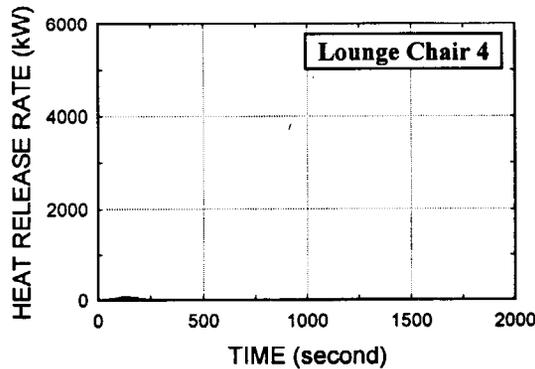


Fig. A23. Lounge chair, wood frame, latex foam/cotton stuffing, plastic-coated fabric

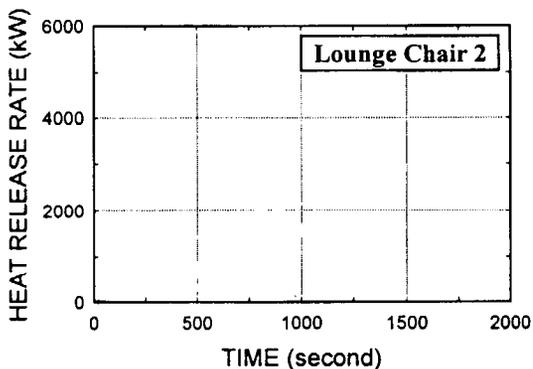


Fig. A21. Lounge chair, one-piece molded glass fiber, metal legs

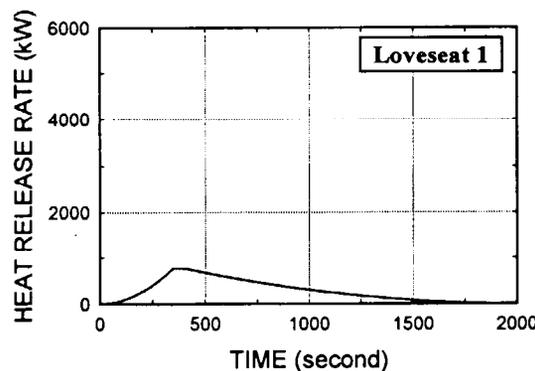


Fig. A24. Loveseat, mixed foam and cotton batting stuffing, cotton fabric

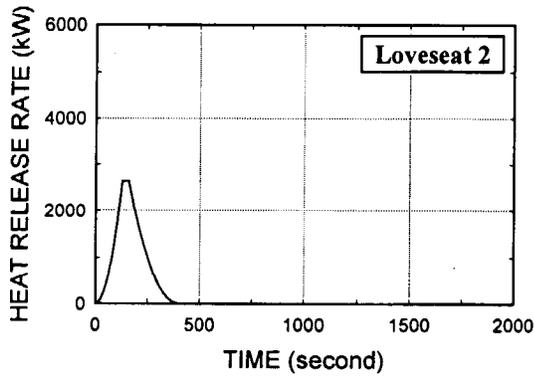


Fig. A25. Loveseat, wood frame, California foam, polyolefin fabric

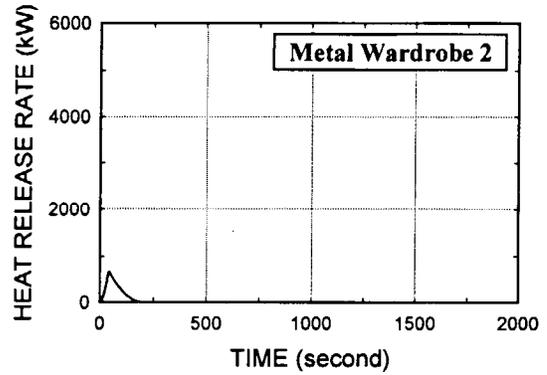


Fig. A28. Metal wardrobe, clothing on 8 hangers

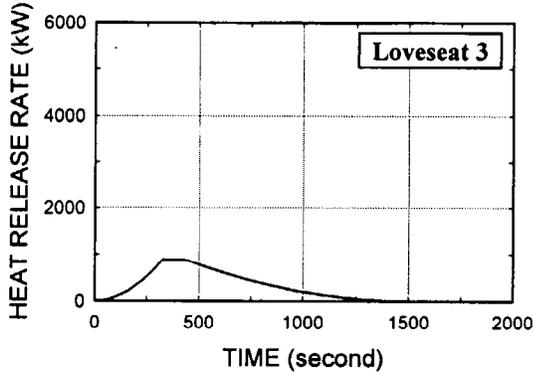


Fig. A26. Loveseat, wood frame, urethane foam, plastic-coated fabric

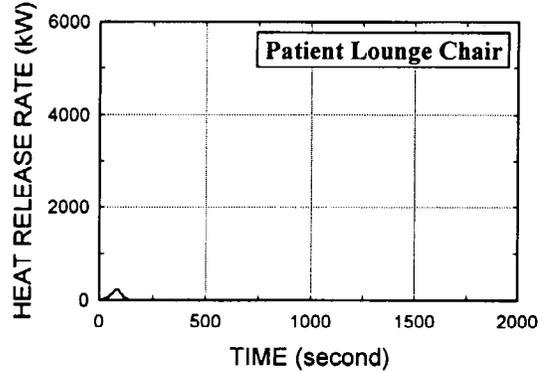


Fig. A29. Patient lounge chair, metal frame, urethane foam cushion

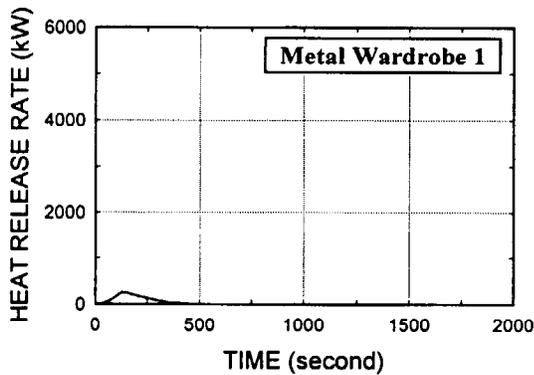


Fig. A27. Metal wardrobe, clothing on 16 hangers

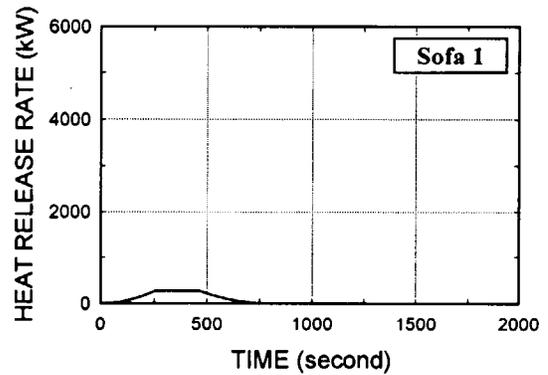


Fig. A30. Sofa, metal frame, urethane foam, plastic-coated fabric

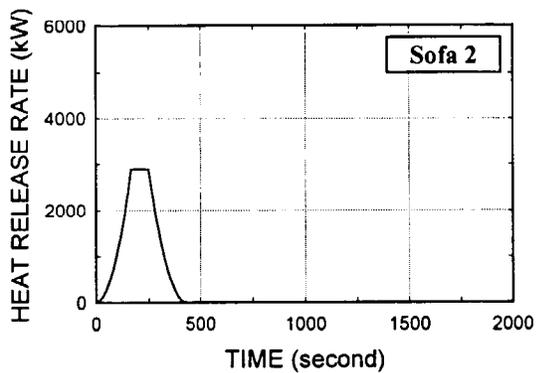


Fig. A31. Sofa, wood frame, California foam, polyolefin fabric

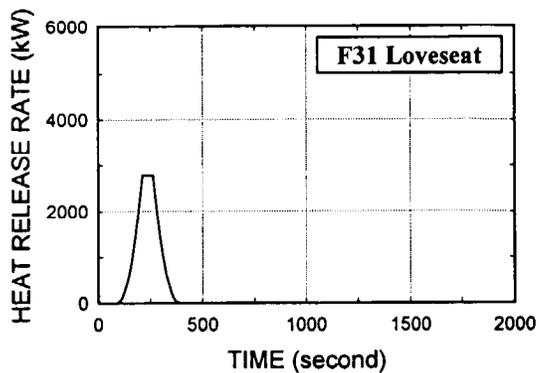


Fig. A33. F31 Loveseat, wood frame, polyurethane foam, olefin fabric

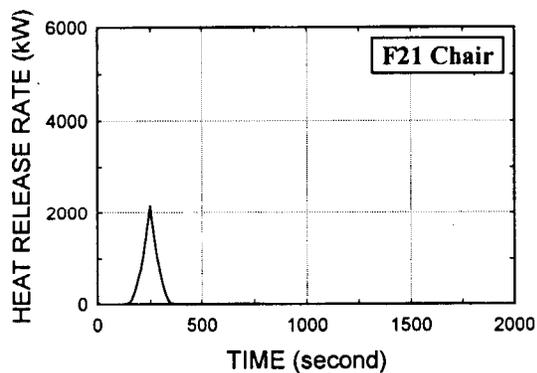


Fig. A32. F21 Chair, wood frame, polyurethane foam, olefin fabric

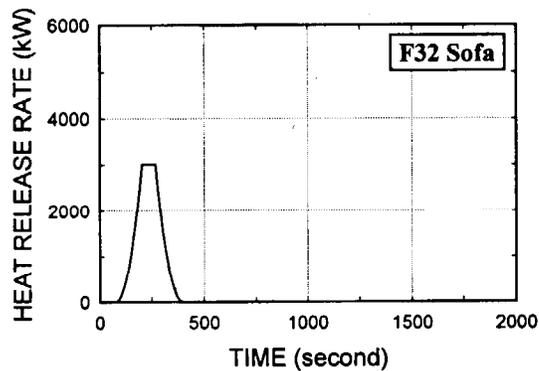


Fig. A34. F32 Sofa, wood frame, polyurethane foam, olefin fabric

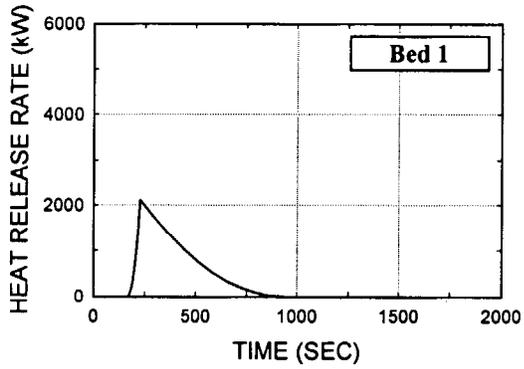


Fig. B1. Double bed, bedding, night table; gyp bd walls; test R1 (85-2998)

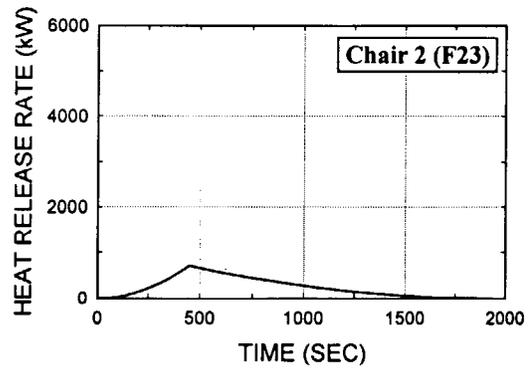


Fig. B4. Chair, F23, wood frame, fr cotton batting, olefin test 24(82-2604)

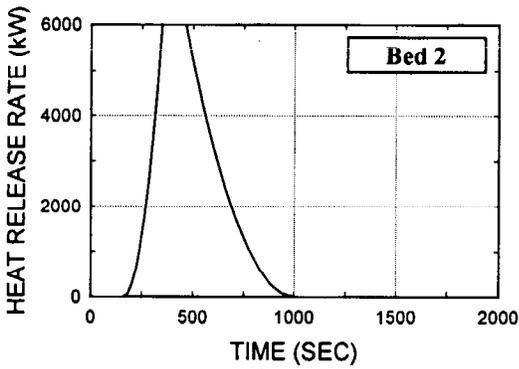


Fig. B2. Double bed, bedding, night table; plywood walls; test R5 (85-2998)

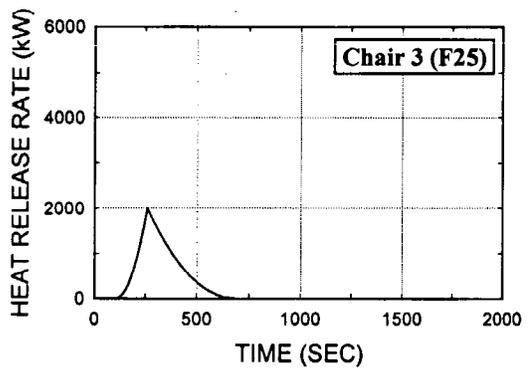


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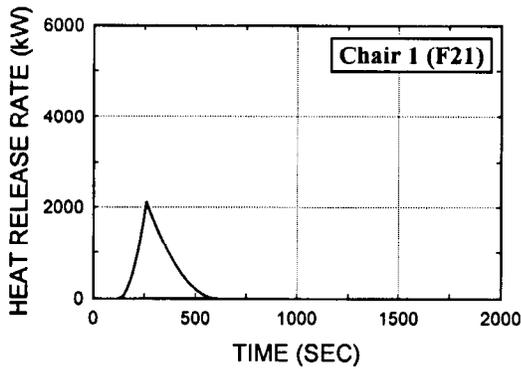


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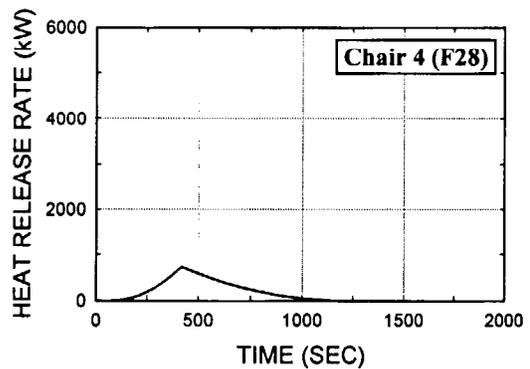


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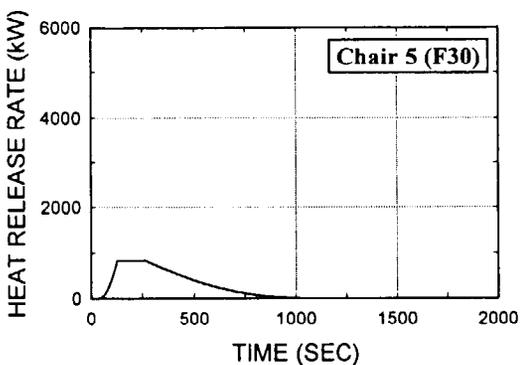


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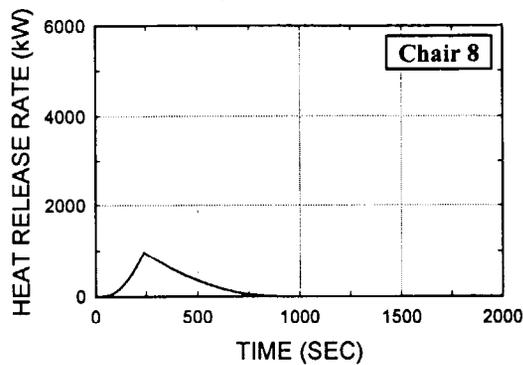


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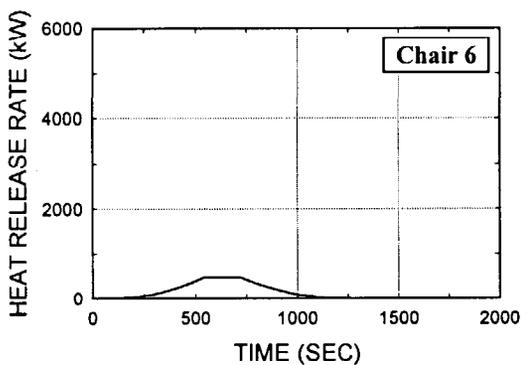


Fig. B8. Bean bag chair, vinyl/ps foam beads, c05 nbs tn 1103

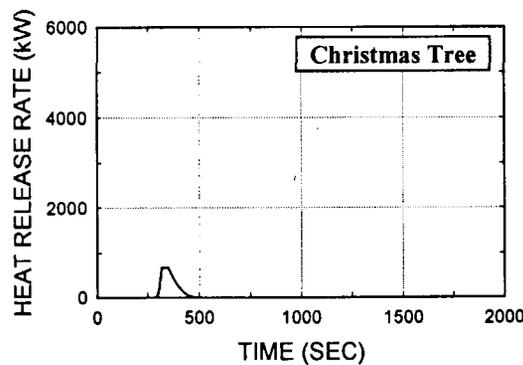


Fig. B11. Christmas tree, spruce, dry, vtt 285, no.17

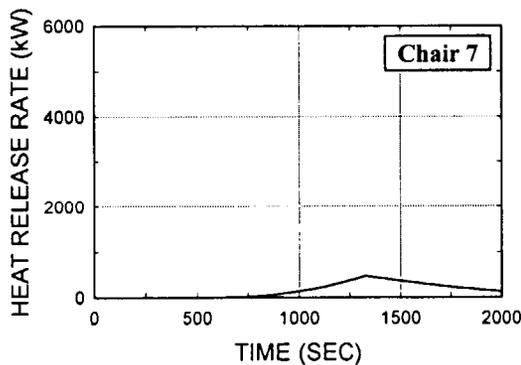


Fig. B9. Chair, molded flexible pu frame, pu cover test 64 (83-2787)

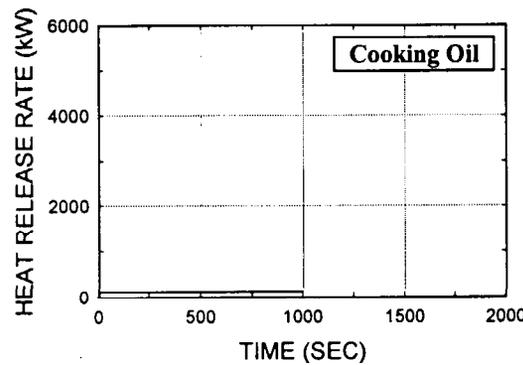


Fig. B12. Cooking Oil, Corn; Cottonseed; Etc In 12in.Pan

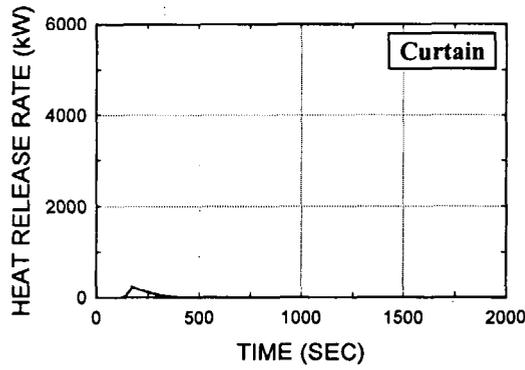


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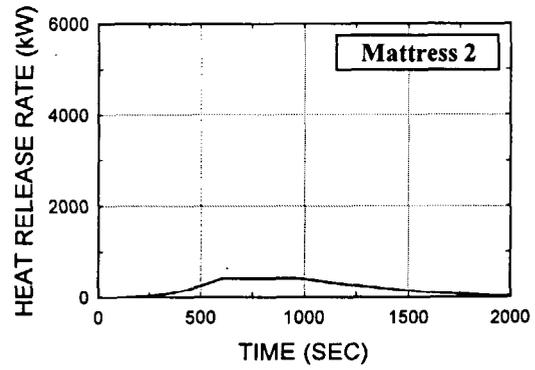


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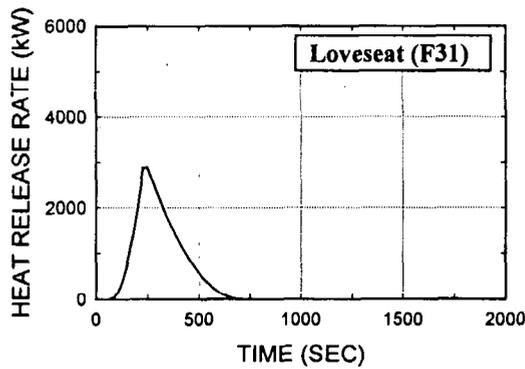


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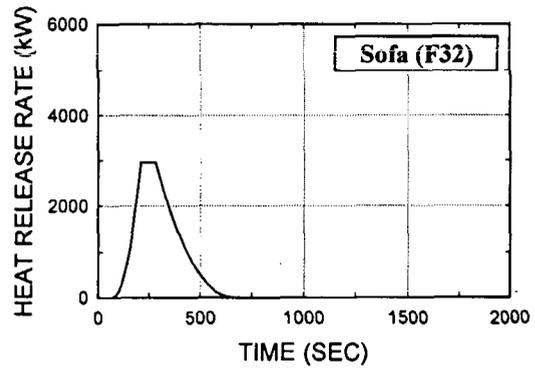


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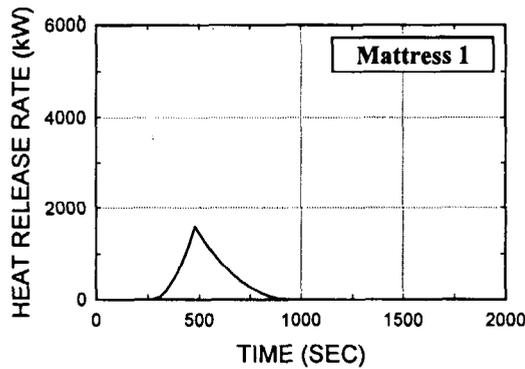


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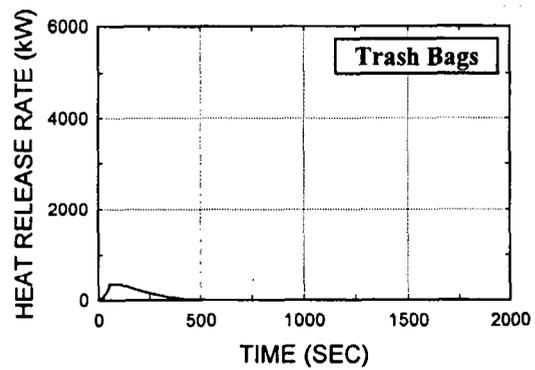


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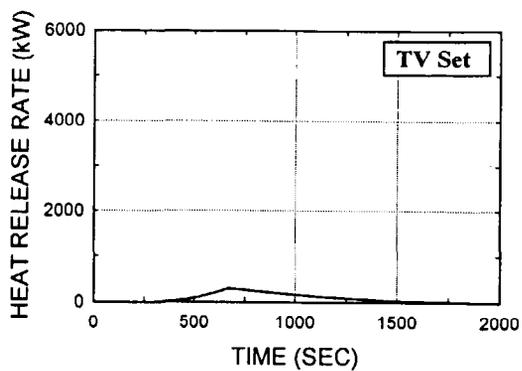


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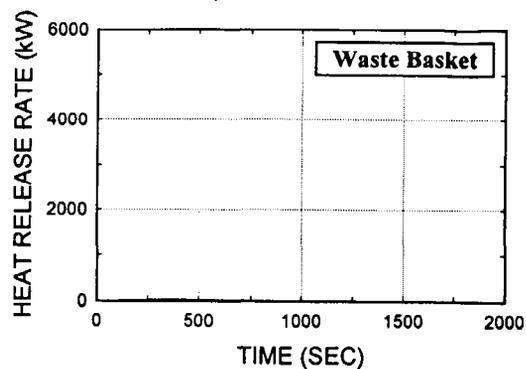


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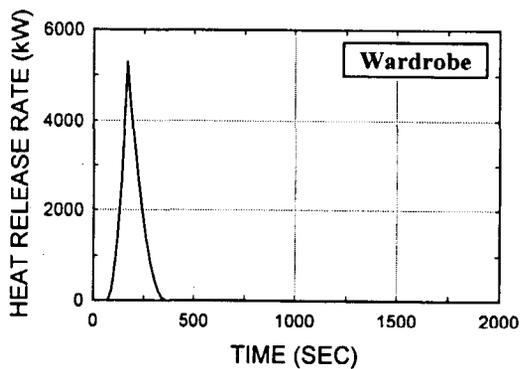


Fig. B20. Wardrobe closet, plywood, fr paint nbsir 83-2787 test 42

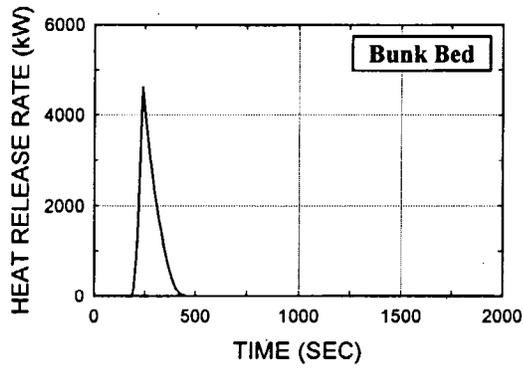


Fig. C1. Bunk Bed, BFRL in February 1996

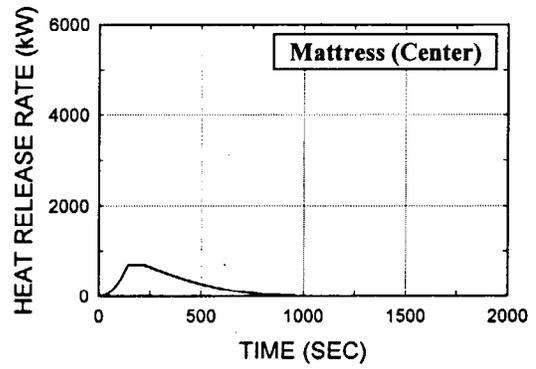


Fig. C4. Mattress (Center), BFRL in February 1996

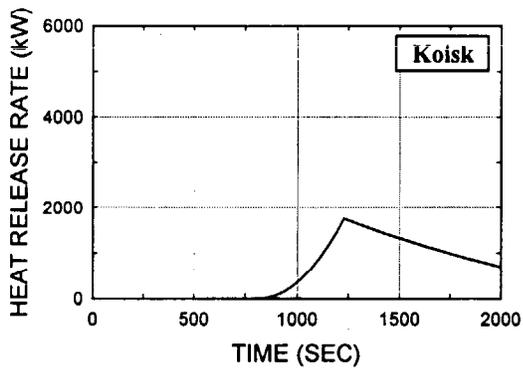


Fig. C2. Koisk, Western Fire Center in the summer of 1995

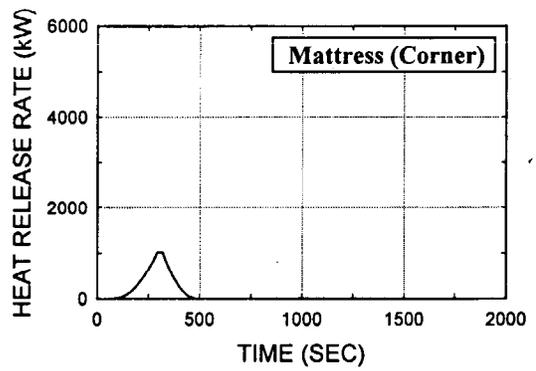


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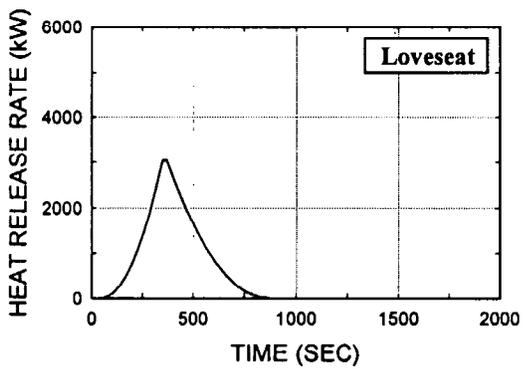


Fig. C3. Loveseat

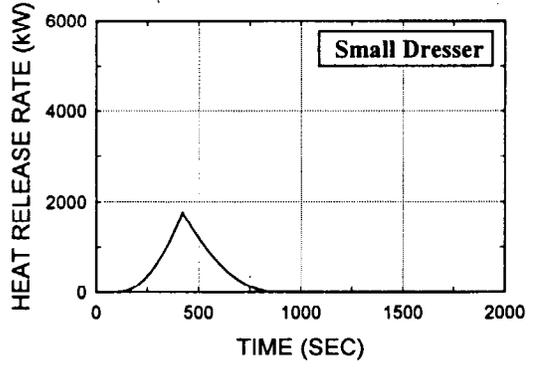


Fig. C6. Small Dresser, BFRL in February 1996

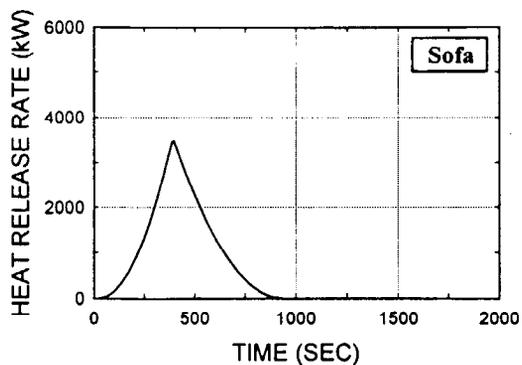


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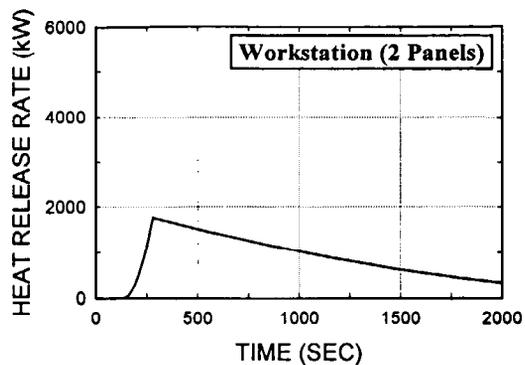


Fig. C9. Workstation (2 panels), Sponsored by GSA and performed at BFRL in 1991

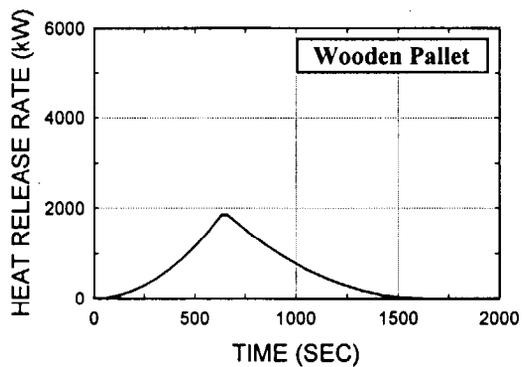


Fig. C8. Wooden Pallet, BFRL in February 1996

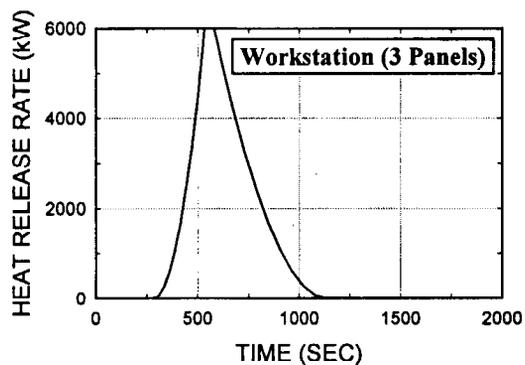


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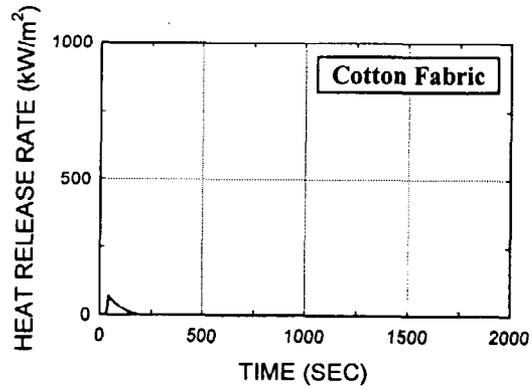


Fig. D1. Cotton fabric, fr (test 803a), Fabric

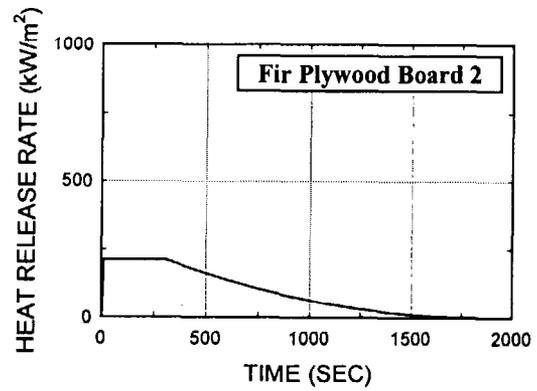


Fig. D4. Douglas fir plywood, 1/2 in. thick (446), Board

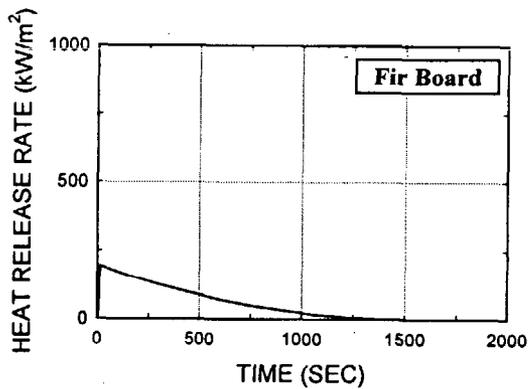


Fig. D2. Douglas fir (828), Board

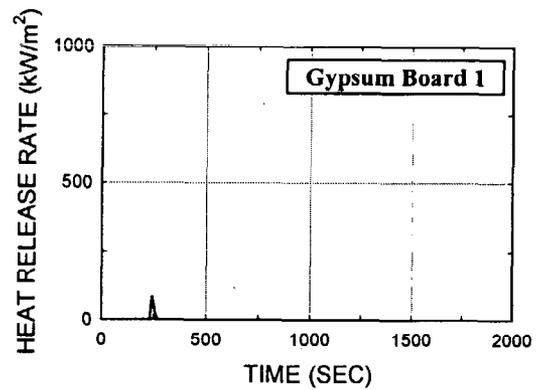


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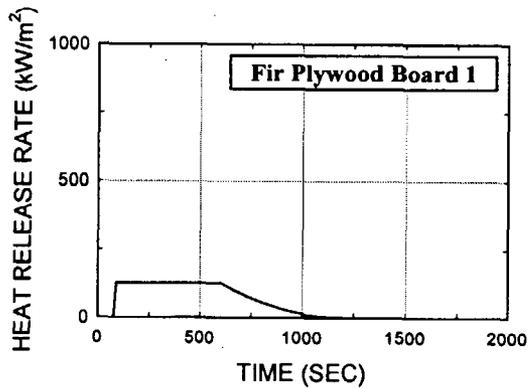


Fig. D3. Douglas fir plywood, 1/2 in. thick (435), Board

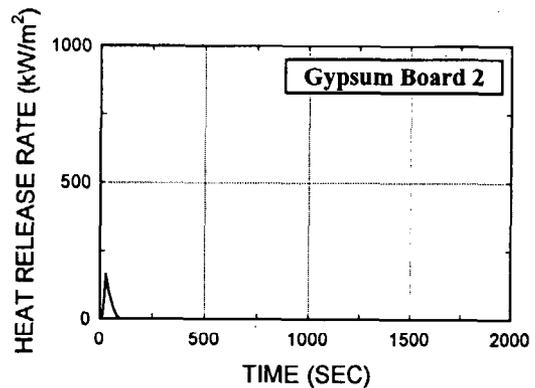


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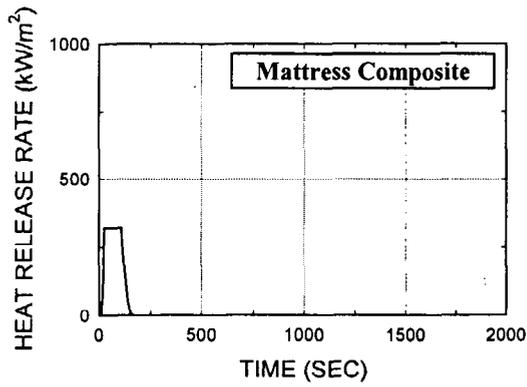


Fig. D7. Mattress ass'y m05, pu foam, rayon ticking (test 296), Composite

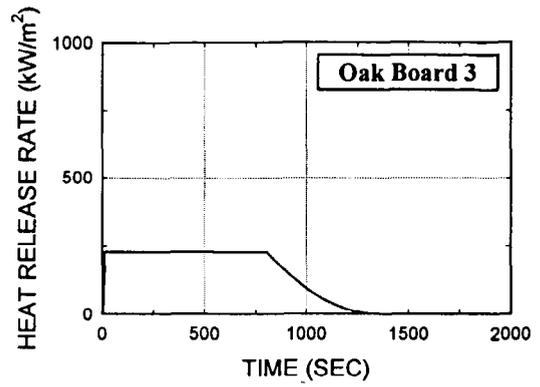


Fig. D10. Red oak, 7/8 in. thick (1468), Board

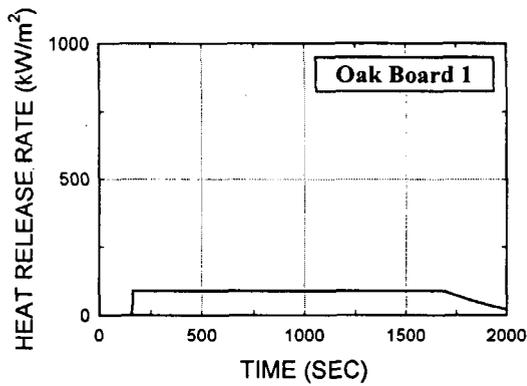


Fig. D8. Red oak, 7/8 in. thick (1454)

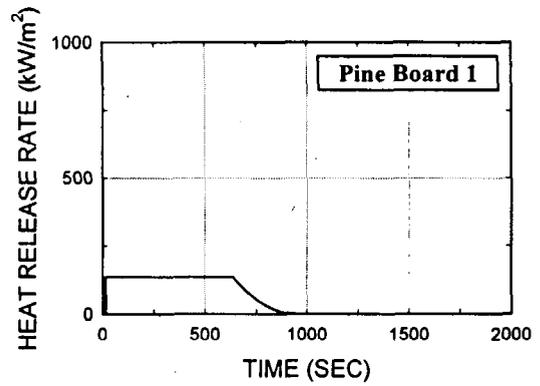


Fig. D11. Pine (838), Board

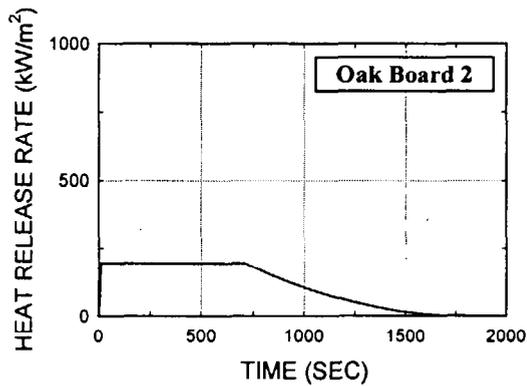


Fig. D9. Red oak, 7/8 in. thick (1456), Board

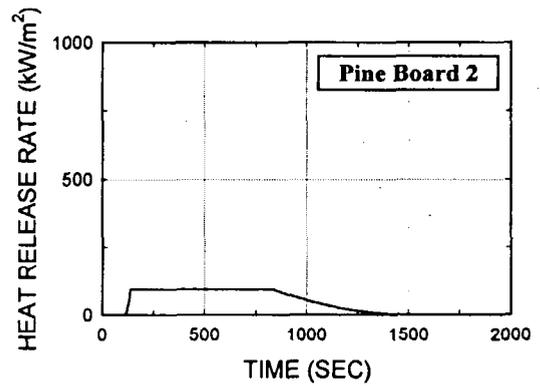


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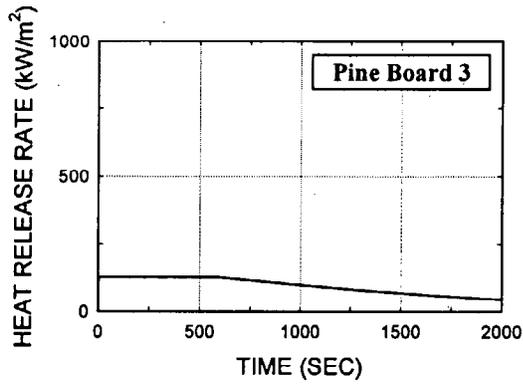


Fig. D13. White pine (wood), 0.75 in (test 487), Board

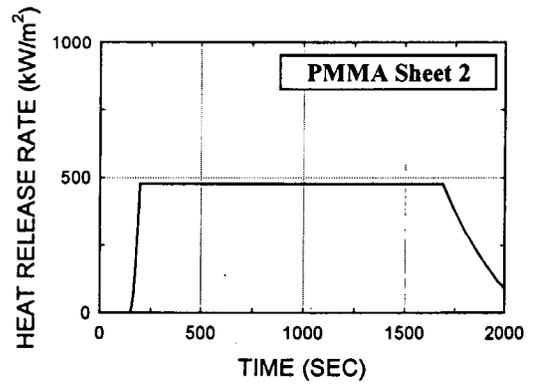


Fig. D16. PMMA 1" black (cb) w/frame (test 1470), Sheet

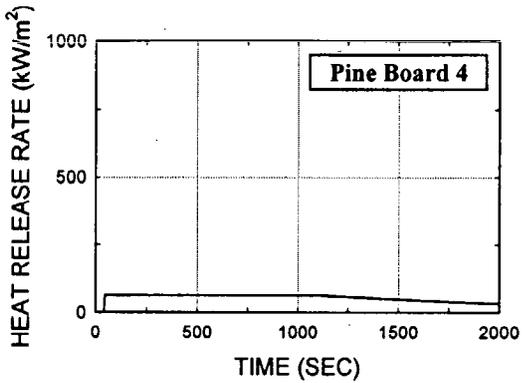


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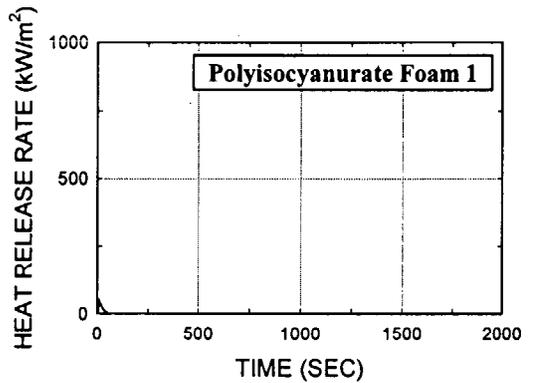


Fig. D17. Rigid polyisocyanurate foam, 2 in (test 438), Foam

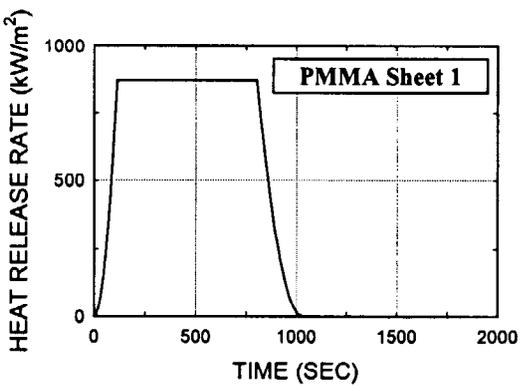


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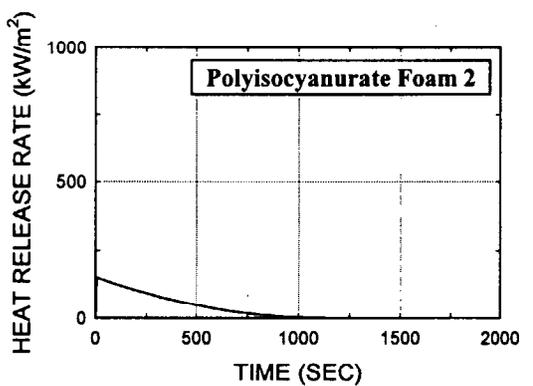


Fig. D18. Rigid polyisocyanurate foam, 2 in (test 449), Foam

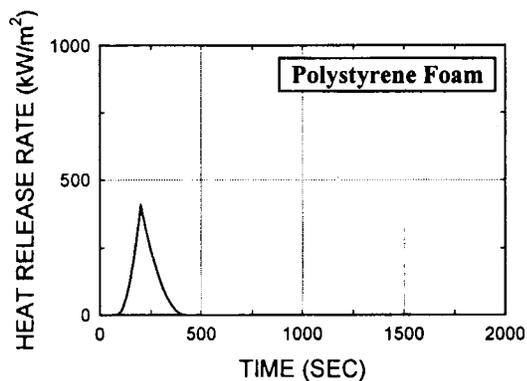


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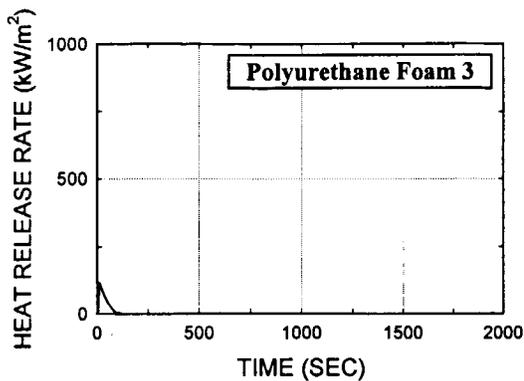


Fig. D22. Rigid polyurethane foam, fr, gm-31 (test 258), Foam

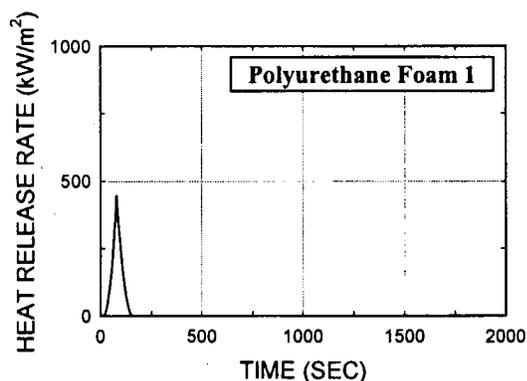


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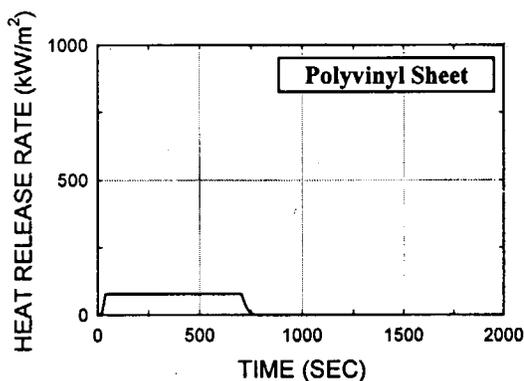


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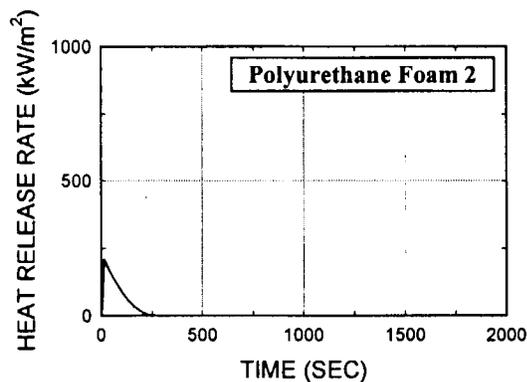


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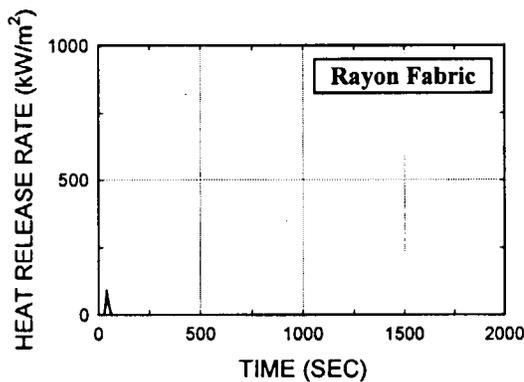


Fig. D24. Rayon fabric (test 804a), Fabric

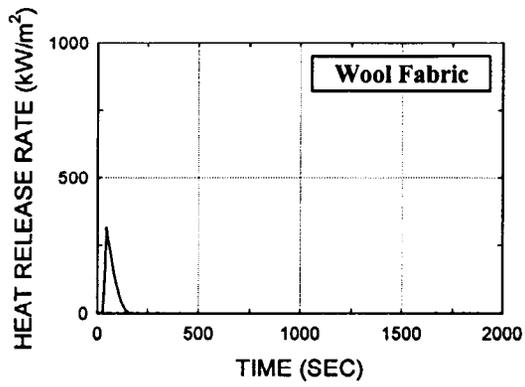


Fig. D25. Wool fabric/neoprene padding (test 722), Composite