
ResStock Documentation

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Note: Most people who use ResStock for analysis do so by using the datasets published to the [ResStock Data Viewer](#). These datasets are often the best choice because they are a verified run that can be referenced. Datasets with upgrade scenario results will be made available over time.

For more complicated analyses including custom upgrade scenarios, the source code of ResStock and this documentation page are available to run your own simulations. However, running ResStock can be a complicated affair and can require a lot of computing resources. Running on Amazon Web Services requires some technical knowledge of cloud computing to deploy. Unfortunately, we don't have the resources to provide technical support if you choose this route.

1.1 Installation

1.1.1 Download ResStock

There are two options for downloading [ResStock](#):

1. download a released version
2. clone the repository

For the first option, go to the [releases page](#) on GitHub and select a release. Note the OpenStudio version requirements associated with each version of ResStock. For example, ResStock v2.4.0 requires that you have OpenStudio v2.9.0 installed.

For the second option, you will need to have [Git](#) or some other Git-based tool installed. Cloning the ResStock repository gives you access to the `develop` branch of ResStock. The `develop` branch is under active development.

Note: If you are planning to perform large-scale runs on ResStock (greater than 1000 simulations) or analyze timeseries data, you will need to use [buildstockbatch](#) to run and manage batch simulations of ResStock. Buildstockbatch can be run locally via Docker, on AWS, or on an HPC like NREL's Eagle. Installation instructions can be found in buildstockbatch's [installation documentation](#).

If you are planning to perform small-scale runs of ResStock (1000 simulations or fewer), you can use the Docker-less option of running locally via [run_analysis.rb](#).

1.1.2 Install OpenStudio

Download the version of OpenStudio software (corresponding to the ResStock version that has been selected) from the [OpenStudio developer website](#).

1.1.3 Developer instructions

If you will be developing residential measures and testing residential building models, see the [Advanced Tutorial](#). If you are a developer, make sure that you have checked out the `develop` branch of the repository.

1.2 Set Up the Analysis Project

At the top level of the ResStock repository you just downloaded, you will see two analysis project folders:

- `project_national`
- `project_testing`

The following OpenStudio measures are used in the ResStock workflow. Their arguments can be set based on the method that is chosen for running ResStock. See [Run the Project](#) for more information.

1.2.1 OpenStudio Measures

Build Existing Model

This measure creates the baseline scenario. Set the following inputs:

1. **Building ID:** This sets the number of simulations to run in the baseline and each upgrade case.
2. **Workflow JSON:** The name of the JSON file (in the resources dir) that dictates the order in which measures are to be run. If not provided, the order specified in `resources/options_lookup.tsv` will be used.
3. **Number of Buildings Represented:** The total number of buildings this sampling is meant to represent. This sets the weighting factors. For the U.S. housing stock, excluding Alaska and Hawaii, this is 136,569,411 homes (American Community Survey 2019).
4. **Sample Weight of Simulation:** The number of buildings each simulation represents. Total number of buildings / Number of simulations. This argument is optional (it is only needed for running simulations on NREL HPC), so you can leave it blank.
5. **Downselect Logic:** Logic that specifies the subset of the building stock to be considered in the analysis. Specify one or more `parameter|option` as found in the `resources/options_lookup.tsv`. (This uses the same syntax as the [Apply Upgrade](#) measure.) For example, if you wanted to only simulate California homes you could enter `Location Region|CR11` in this field (CR refers to “Custom Region”, which is based on RECS 2009 reportable domains aggregated into groups with similar climates; see the entire [custom region map](#)). Datapoints that are excluded from the downselect logic will result in “completed invalid workflow”. Note that the `Building ID` input refers to the number of datapoints *before* downselection, not after. This means that the number of datapoints remaining after downselection would be somewhere between zero (i.e., no datapoints matched the downselect logic) and `Building ID` (i.e., all datapoints matched the downselect logic).
6. **Measures to Ignore:** **INTENDED FOR ADVANCED USERS/WORKFLOW DEVELOPERS ONLY.** Measures to exclude from the OpenStudio Workflow specified by listing one or more measure directories separated by ‘|’. Core ResStock measures cannot be ignored (the Build Existing Model measure will fail).
7. **Simulation Control: Timestep:** Value must be a divisor of 60.
8. **Simulation Control: Run Period Begin Month:** This numeric field should contain the starting month number (1 = January, 2 = February, etc.) for the annual run period desired.
9. **Simulation Control: Run Period Begin Day of Month:** This numeric field should contain the starting day of the starting month (must be valid for month) for the annual run period desired.

10. **Simulation Control: Run Period End Month:** This numeric field should contain the end month number (1 = January, 2 = February, etc.) for the annual run period desired.
11. **Simulation Control: Run Period End Day of Month:** This numeric field should contain the ending day of the ending month (must be valid for month) for the annual run period desired.
12. **Simulation Control: Run Period Calendar Year:** This numeric field should contain the calendar year that determines the start day of week (e.g., 2007 sets the start day of week to Monday). If you are running simulations using AMY weather files, the value entered for calendar year will not be used; it will be overridden by the actual year found in the AMY weather file.
13. **Debug Mode?:** If true: 1) Writes in.osm file, 2) Generates additional log output, and 3) Creates all EnergyPlus output files.
14. **Annual Component Loads?:** If true, output the annual component loads.
15. **Emissions: Scenario Names:** Names of emissions scenarios. If multiple scenarios, use a comma-separated list.
16. **Emissions: Types:** Types of emissions (e.g., CO₂e, NO_x, etc.). If multiple scenarios, use a comma-separated list.
17. **Emissions: Electricity Folders:** Relative paths of electricity emissions factor schedule files with hourly values. Paths are relative to the resources folder (see [this example yml file](#)). If multiple scenarios, use a comma-separated list. File names must contain GEA region names. Units are kg/MWh.
18. **Emissions: Natural Gas Values:** Natural gas emissions factors values, specified as an annual factor. If multiple scenarios, use a comma-separated list. Units are lb/MBtu (million Btu).
19. **Emissions: Propane Values:** Propane emissions factors values, specified as an annual factor. If multiple scenarios, use a comma-separated list. Units are lb/MBtu (million Btu).
20. **Emissions: Fuel Oil Values:** Fuel oil emissions factors values, specified as an annual factor. If multiple scenarios, use a comma-separated list. Units are lb/MBtu (million Btu).
21. **Emissions: Wood Values:** Wood emissions factors values, specified as an annual factor. If multiple scenarios, use a comma-separated list. Units are lb/MBtu (million Btu).

As a meta measure, the `BuildExistingModel` measure incrementally applies the following OpenStudio measures to create residential building models:

1. `ResStockArguments`
2. `BuildResidentialHPXML`
3. `BuildResidentialScheduleFile`
4. `HPXMLtoOpenStudio`

All of these measures, with the exception of `ResStockArguments`, are located in the [OpenStudio-HPXML](#) repository. See the [OpenStudio-HPXML documentation](#) for information on workflow inputs and outputs.

Apply Upgrade

Each “Apply Upgrade” measure defines an upgrade scenario. An upgrade scenario is a collection of options exercised with some logic and costs applied. In the simplest case, we apply the new option to all housing units. The available upgrade options are in `resources/options_lookup.tsv` in your git repository.

For this example, we will upgrade all windows by applying the `Windows|Triple, Low-E, Non-metal, Air, L-Gain` option to all houses across the country. We do this by entering that in the **Option 1** box on the Apply Upgrade measure. Also, we’ll give the upgrade scenario a name: “Triple-Pane Windows” and a cost of \$40/ft² of window area by entering the number in **Option 1 Cost Value** and selecting “Window Area (ft²)” for **Option 1 Cost Multiplier**.

Like the **downselect logic**, excluded datapoints (i.e., datapoints for which the upgrade does not apply) will result in “completed invalid workflow”. Note that using no downselect logic will apply the option to all housing units. For a full explanation of how to set up the options and logic surrounding them, see [Upgrade Scenario Configuration](#).

1.2.2 Reporting Measures

In general, reporting measures process data after the simulation has finished and produced results.

Report Simulation Output

This measure reports simulation outputs for residential HPXML-based models, and is located in the [OpenStudio-HPXML](#) repository.

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This measure reports HPXML outputs for residential HPXML-based models, and is located in the [OpenStudio-HPXML](#) repository.

Upgrade Costs

This measure calculates upgrade costs by multiplying cost values by cost multipliers.

1.2.3 Manual Sampling

To run the sampling script yourself, from the command line execute, e.g. `ruby resources/run_sampling.rb -p project_national -n 10000 -o buildstock.csv`, and a file `buildstock.csv` will be created in the `resources` directory.

If a custom `buildstock.csv` file is located in a project’s `housing_characteristics` directory when you run the project, it will automatically be used to generate simulations. If it’s not found, the sampling will be run automatically to create one. For each datapoint, the measure will then look up its building description from the sampled csv.

You can use this manual sampling process to downselect which simulations you want to run. For example, you can use the command above to generate a `buildstock.csv` for the entire U.S. and then open up this file in Excel and delete all of the rows that you don’t want to simulate (e.g., all rows that aren’t in New York). Keep in mind that if you do this, you will need to re-enumerate the “Building” column as “1” through the number of rows.

1.3 Run the Project

1.3.1 Run using buildstockbatch

See the [BuildStock Batch documentation](#) for information on running projects (large-scale).

1.3.2 Run using run_analysis.rb

You also have the option of running (small-scale) projects using the OpenStudio [Command Line Interface](#) (CLI) with `buildstockbatch` yaml input files. This method needs only the OpenStudio CLI.

The primary differences relative to `buildstockbatch` are:

1. Debugging: Individual, or sets of (e.g., 1, 2, 4), building ID(s) from the entire sampled space can be run. (See the related `--building_id` argument below.)
2. Convenience: Simulation input files (both OSW and HPXML) are collected and stored on-the-fly. (See the related `--debug` argument below.)
3. Size: Folders containing intermediate files can be either preserved or successively overwritten. (See the related `--keep_run_folders` argument below.)
4. Accessibility: Simulation input and output files are organized and stored differently, and are not tarred or compressed.

Call the OpenStudio CLI with the provided `workflow/run_analysis.rb` script. For example: `openstudio workflow/run_analysis.rb -y project_testing/testing_baseline.yml` The previous command samples from `project_testing` and runs simulations using baseline workflows generated from the specified `yml` file. An “output directory” (as specified in the `yml` file) is created with all input (OSW and HPXML) files and simulation results.

Note: If the `openstudio` command is not found, it’s because the executable is not in your `PATH`. Either add the executable to your `PATH` or point directly to the executable found in the `openstudio-X.X.X/bin` directory.

You can also request that only measures are applied (i.e., no simulations are run) using the `--measures_only` flag. For example: `openstudio workflow/run_analysis.rb -y project_testing/testing_baseline.yml -m`

Run `openstudio workflow/run_analysis.rb -h` to see all available commands/arguments:

```
$ openstudio workflow/run_analysis.rb -h
Usage: run_analysis.rb -y buildstockbatch.yml
e.g., run_analysis.rb -y national_baseline.yml
  -y, --yaml <FILE>          YAML file
  -n, --threads N             Number of parallel simulations (defaults to processor_
→count)
  -m, --measures_only         Only run the OpenStudio and EnergyPlus measures
  -d, --debug                 Save both existing and upgraded xml/osw files
  -i, --building_id ID        Only run this building ID; can be called multiple times
  -k, --keep_run_folders      Preserve run folder for all datapoints
  -s, --samplingonly          Run the sampling only
  -h, --help                  Display help
  -v, --version               Display version
```

Note: At this time the `residential_quota_downselect` sampler with `resample` is not supported.

1.4 Conclusion

Congratulations, you have now completed your first ResStock analysis. See the other sections in this documentation for more advanced topics.

This advanced tutorial describes the process for developing residential measures and testing residential building models. Reasons for wanting to develop residential measures include: customizing any of the existing residential modeling algorithms or adding new technology models.

At this point in the tutorial, it is assumed that you have checked out a new branch that is up-to-date with the `develop` of the [ResStock](#) repository. Optionally, you may have created a new project folder (i.e., copied an existing project folder) and modified the set of tsv files in its `housing_characteristics` folder.

If your changes are intended to be merged into the `develop` branch of the [ResStock](#) repository, a pull request review is required.

2.1 Modifying Probability Distributions

This section provides a description of the housing characteristics and their dependencies and options.

A particular building within the building stock has a set of characteristics (e.g., level of wall insulation, type of lighting, vintage, and a variety of different schedules). Each housing characteristic corresponds to a tab-separated value (tsv) file with the extension `.tsv`. These housing characteristics files are found in the `<project_folder>/housing_characteristics` directory. A housing characteristic defines the probability mass function (PMF) of that characteristic in the building stock.

$$Pr(X = A_i) = P(A_i) > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{A_i \in S_A} P(A_i) = 1 \quad \text{for} \quad i = 1 : n$$

When sampling a discrete random variable X to create a representative building, X takes a particular **Option** A_i . All possible options are collected in the set $S_A = \{A_0, A_1, \dots, A_n\}$ and is size n . Since these are probabilities, the entries $P(A_i)$ must be greater than 0 and the probability of all possible options must sum to 1.

For example, a set of options for a building's vintage (when the building was built) may be the following:

$S_A = < 1950, 1950s, 1960s, 1970s, 1980s, 1990s, 2000s$.

Then the probability mass function may look like the following:

A_i	<1950	1950s	1960s	1970s	1980s	1990s	2000s
$P(X = A_i)$	0.020	0.060	0.090	0.230	0.370	0.130	0.090

Where the probability of a building having a given vintage in this example is

- 2% built before 1950,
- 6% in the 1950s,
- 9% in the 1960s,
- 23% in the 1970s,
- 37% in the 1980s,
- 13% in the 1990s, and
- 9% in the 2000s.

However, housing characteristics can have a **Dependency**, B_i , to another housing characteristic. All possible values of the dependency are collected in the set $S_B = B_0, B_1, \dots, B_m$ which is size m . If the **Option** of interest A_j and the **Dependency** B_i is known to have occurred when sampling X in the creation of a representative building, then conditional probability of A_j given B_i is usually written $P(A_j|B_i) = P_{B_i}(A_j)$.

Using the example from before, the PMF of the vintage depends on location of the particular building stock (which is represented by EPW weather files). In this example the vintage housing characteristic is examined. The first three lines in the `<project_folder>/housing_characteristics/Vintage.tsv` are shown in the table below.

	Location EPW (S_B)	<1950	1950s	1960s	1970s	1980s	1990s	2000s
$P(B_0 A_j)$	USA_FL_Key.West.Intl.AP.722010_TMY3.epw	0.02	0.06	0.09	0.23	0.37	0.13	0.09
$P(B_1 A_j)$	USA_FL_Miami.Intl.AP.722020_TMY3.epw	0.05	0.13	0.13	0.18	0.17	0.18	0.16

The vintage is dependent on the EPW location. The vintage discrete PMF that uses the Key West International Airport weather file, B_0 , is defined by the following distribution:

- 2% built before 1950,
- 6% in the 1950s,
- 9% in the 1960s,
- 23% in the 1970s,
- 37% in the 1980s,
- 13% in the 1990s, and
- 9% in the 2000s.

While the vintage PMF that uses the Miami International Airport weather file, B_1 is defined by the following distribution:

- 5% built before 1950,
- 13% in the 1950s,
- 9% in the 1960s,
- 13% in the 1970s,
- 18% in the 1980s,
- 17% in the 1990s, and
- 18% in the 2000s.

The **Options** can correspond to a Measure in OpenStudio or can be used as a **Dependency** for other housing characteristics. For the list of available options for a given housing characteristic, see the `resources/options_lookup.tsv` file. In this file the “Parameter Name” corresponds to the housing characteristic, the “Option Name” corresponds to an available option for the housing characteristic, the “Measure Dir” corresponds to the OpenStudio Measure being used, and the following columns

correspond to different arguments needed by the OpenStudio Measure. Each option used in the housing characteristics tsv files must be in this `resources/options_lookup.tsv`. These options can be modified by the user to model their particular building stock.

2.2 Writing Housing Characteristics

This section provides a description of the standard format for the housing characteristics. In order to stop recommitting entire files and to keep differences easy to read during the review process, a standard format for writing housing characteristics has been created. All housing characteristics shall follow these format guidelines:

2.2.1 Guidelines

1. All lines have the line ending characters ‘`\r\n`’ (i.e., “`crlf`” or “carriage return, line feed”).
2. Comment lines in the housing characteristics file, indicated by the “`#`” symbol, can be added.

2.3 Installer Setup

After you have downloaded the OpenStudio installer, you may want to install Ruby (2.7.2). This will allow you to execute rake tasks contained in the `Rakefile`. Follow the instructions below for *Windows Setup* or *Mac Setup*.

2.3.1 Windows Setup

1. Install [Ruby](#) (2.7.2). Follow the installation instructions [here](#) (“Optional - Install Ruby”).
2. Run `gem install bundler -v 1.17.1`.

Note: If you get an error, you may have to issue the following: `gem sources -r https://rubygems.org/` followed by `gem sources -a http://rubygems.org/`. If you still get an error, manually update your gem sources list by including a config file named “`.gemrc`” in your home directory (e.g, `/c/Users/<USERNAME>`) with the following contents:

```
---
:backtrace: false
:bulk_threshold: 1000
:sources:
- http://rubygems.org
:update_sources: true
:verbose: true
```

3. Download the DevKit at <http://rubyinstaller.org/downloads/> (e.g., `DevKit-mingw64-64-4.7.2-20130224-1432-sfx.exe`). Choose either the 32-bit or 64-bit version depending on which version of Ruby you installed. Run the installer and extract to a directory (e.g., `C:\RubyDevKit`). Go to this directory, run `ruby dk.rb init`, modify the `config.yml` file as needed, and finally run `ruby dk.rb install`.
4. Run `bundle install` from the `resstock` directory. (If you get an error, check that `git` is in your `PATH` and that you are using the correct version of Ruby (2.7.2).)

2.3.2 Mac Setup

Install [Homebrew](#) if you don't have it already.

Run `brew doctor`. It should give you, among other issues, a list of unexpected dylibs that you'll need to move for this to work such as:

```
Unexpected dylibs:
/usr/local/lib/libcrypto.0.9.8.dylib
/usr/local/lib/libcrypto.1.0.0.dylib
/usr/local/lib/libcrypto.dylib
/usr/local/lib/libklcsagt.dylib
/usr/local/lib/libklcskca.dylib
/usr/local/lib/libklcsnagt.dylib
/usr/local/lib/libklcsrt.dylib
/usr/local/lib/libklcsstd.dylib
/usr/local/lib/libklcstr.dylib
/usr/local/lib/libklmspack.0.1.0.dylib
/usr/local/lib/libklmspack.0.dylib
/usr/local/lib/libklmspack.dylib
/usr/local/lib/libssl.0.9.8.dylib
/usr/local/lib/libssl.1.0.0.dylib
/usr/local/lib/libssl.dylib
/usr/local/lib/libz.1.2.5.dylib
/usr/local/lib/libz.1.2.6.dylib
/usr/local/lib/libz.1.dylib
/usr/local/lib/libz.dylib
```

Highlight and copy the list (without the header "Unexpected dylibs:"). Run the following commands to move them to another location where they won't interfere.

```
mkdir ~/unused_dylibs
pbpaste | xargs -t -I % mv % ~/unused_dylibs
```

Install `rbenv` and required dependencies.

```
brew install openssl libyaml libffi rbenv
```

Initialize `rbenv` by running the command below and following the instructions to add the appropriate things to your `~/ .bash_profile`.

```
rbenv init
```

Install the appropriate ruby version.

```
cd path/to/repo
rbenv install `cat .ruby-version`
```

Add the path to the install ruby libraries top the bottom of your `~/ .bash_profile`

```
echo "export RUBYLIB=/Applications/OpenStudio-3.2.1/Ruby" >> ~/.bash_profile
echo "export ENERGYPLUS_EXE_PATH=\"/Applications/OpenStudio-3.2.1/EnergyPlus/energyplus-9.5.0\"
↪"
```

Install `bundler` and the libraries that `bundler` installs.

```
gem install bundler -v 1.17.1
bundle install
```


2.4 Tasks

Run `openstudio tasks.rb` to see available task commands:

```
$ openstudio tasks.rb
ERROR: Missing command.
Usage: openstudio tasks.rb [COMMAND]
Commands:
  update_measures
  integrity_check_national
  integrity_check_testing
  download_weather
```

2.4.1 Update Measures

Use `openstudio tasks.rb update_measures` to apply rubocop auto-correct to measures, and to update `measure.xml` files:

```
$ openstudio tasks.rb update_measures
Applying rubocop auto-correct to measures...
Running RuboCop...

91 files inspected, no offenses detected
Updating measure.xmls...
Done.
```

2.4.2 Integrity Checks

Run `openstudio tasks.rb integrity_check_<project_name>`, where `<project_name>` matches the project you are working with. If no task exists for the project you are working with, extend the list of integrity check tasks to accommodate your project by modifying the `tasks.rb` file. An example for running a project's integrity checks is given below:

```
$ openstudio tasks.rb integrity_check_national
Checking for issues with project_national/Location Region...
Checking for issues with project_national/Location EPW...
Checking for issues with project_national/Vintage...
Checking for issues with project_national/Heating Fuel...
Checking for issues with project_national/Usage Level...
...
```

If the integrity check for a given project fails, you will need to update either your `tsv` files and/or the `resources/options_lookup.tsv` file. See [Options Lookup](#) for information about the `options_lookup.tsv` file.

2.4.3 Download Weather

Run `openstudio tasks.rb download_weather` to download available EPW weather files:

```
$ /c:/openstudio-3.4.0/bin/openstudio.exe tasks.rb download_weather
Downloading /files/156/BuildStock_TMY3_FIPS.zip ( 1%)
Downloading /files/156/BuildStock_TMY3_FIPS.zip ( 2%)
Downloading /files/156/BuildStock_TMY3_FIPS.zip ( 3%)
...
```

2.4.4 Rakefile

Once you have completed instructions found in *Installer Setup*, you can then use the [Rakefile](#) contained at the top level of this repository. You will run rake task(s) for *performing integrity checks on project inputs*.

Run `rake -T` to see the list of possible rake tasks. The `-T` is replaced with the chosen task.

```
$ rake -T
rake unit_tests:integrity_check_tests    # Run tests for integrity_check_t...
rake unit_tests:measure_tests            # Run tests for measure_tests
rake unit_tests:project_integrity_checks # Run tests for project_integrity...
rake workflow:analysis_tests             # Run tests for analysis_tests
```

2.5 Options Lookup

The `options_lookup.tsv` file, found in the `resources` folder, specifies mappings from sampled options into measure arguments. For example, if the distribution of cooling system types in `HVAC System Cooling.tsv` has `Option=AC`, `SEER 13` and `Option=AC`, `SEER 15`, but you want to include a `Option=AC`, `SEER 17` option, you would add that option as a column in `HVAC System Cooling.tsv` and then create a corresponding row in `options_lookup.tsv`. Updates to this file will allow you to avoid hitting the following types of integrity check errors:

- *Could not find parameter and option*
- *Required argument not provided*

2.5.1 Could not find parameter and option

You do not have a row in `options_lookup.tsv` for a particular option that is sampled.

An example of this error is given below:

```
$ /c/openstudio-3.4.0/bin/openstudio.exe tasks.rb integrity_check_testing
...
Error executing argv: ["integrity_check_testing"]
Error: ERROR: Could not find parameter 'Insulation Wall' and option 'Wood Stud, Uninsulated'
→ in C:/OpenStudio/resstock/test/./resources/options_lookup.tsv.
```

2.5.2 Required argument not provided

For the particular option that is sampled, your corresponding measure is missing an argument value assignment.

An example of this error is given below:

```
$ /c/openstudio-3.4.0/bin/openstudio.exe tasks.rb integrity_check_testing
...
Error executing argv: ["integrity_check_testing"]
Error: ERROR: Required argument 'wall_assembly_r' not provided in C:/OpenStudio/resstock/test/./resources/options_lookup.tsv for measure 'ResStockArguments'.
```

2.6 Increasing Upgrade Options

To allow more options per upgrade, increase the value returned by the following method defined in `measures/ApplyUpgrade/resources/constants.rb`:

```
def self.NumApplyUpgradeOptions
  return 25
end
```

Then run `openstudio tasks.rb update_measures`. See [Tasks](#) for instructions on how to run tasks.

Upgrade Scenario Configuration

There is quite a bit more flexibility and capability in defining an upgrade scenario than was discussed in the [tutorial](#). Here we will go through each field in the **Apply Upgrade** measure and discuss how it can be used to build more complicated real-life scenarios for upgrades.

3.1 Upgrade Name

This is a human readable name for the upgrade scenario. Something like, “Replace electric furnaces with Energy Star heat pumps” or “Insulate attics to R-49”.

3.2 Option <#>

In this field we enter the parameter and option combination to be applied. In the upgrade scenario simulations, this option will replace the option for the corresponding parameter in the baseline run. These can be found and referenced in the `resources/options_lookup.tsv` file in your local git repository. You can see the most updated version [on github here](#), but it’s recommended to use your local version as it will be synchronized with your project. The file can be opened in a spreadsheet editor like Excel for viewing.

The text to enter in the field will be the Parameter Name followed by the Option Name separated by a pipe character.

Insulation Wall Wood Stud, R-36

3.3 Option <#> Apply Logic

The apply logic field specifies the conditions under which the option will apply based on the baseline building’s options. To specify the condition(s) include one or more `parameter|option` pairs from `options_lookup.tsv`. Multiple option conditions can be joined using the following logical operators. Parentheses may be used as necessary as well.

	logical OR
& &	logical AND
!	logical NOT

A few examples will illustrate. First, lets say we want the apply the option `Water Heater|Gas Tankless`, but only for water heaters that are worse and also use gas. We would use the following apply logic:

```
Water Heater|Gas Standard||Water Heater|Gas Benchmark
```

Or say we want to apply the upgrade only to houses with 3 car garages that aren't in New England.

```
(!Location Census Division|New England)&&(Geometry Garage|3 Car)
```

Currently, you can enter up to 25 options per upgrade. To allow additional options per upgrade you would need to update a method defined in a resource file, run a rake task, and update the outputs section for all PAT projects. See [Increasing Upgrade Options](#) for more information.

3.4 Option <#> Cost <#>

This is the cost of the upgrade. Multiple costs can be entered and each is multiplied by a cost multiplier, described below.

3.5 Option <#> Cost <#> Multiplier

The cost above is multiplied by this value, which is a function of the building. Since there can be multiple costs (currently 2), this permits both fixed and variable costs for upgrades that depend on the properties of the baseline house.

- Fixed (1)
- Wall Area, Above-Grade, Conditioned (ft^2)
- Wall Area, Above-Grade, Exterior (ft^2)
- Wall Area, Below-Grade (ft^2)
- Floor Area, Conditioned (ft^2)
- Floor Area, Conditioned * Infiltration Reduction (ft^2 * Delta ACH50)
- Floor Area, Lighting (ft^2)
- Floor Area, Foundation (ft^2)
- Floor Area, Attic (ft^2)
- Floor Area, Attic * Insulation Increase (ft^2 * Delta R-value)
- Roof Area (ft^2)
- Window Area (ft^2)
- Door Area (ft^2)
- Duct Unconditioned Surface Area (ft^2)
- Rim Joist Area, Above-Grade, Exterior (ft^2)
- Slab Perimeter, Exposed, Conditioned (ft)
- Size, Heating System Primary (kBtu/h)

- Size, Heating System Secondary (kBtu/h)
- Size, Cooling System Primary (kBtu/h)
- Size, Heat Pump Backup Primary (kBtu/h)
- Size, Water Heater (gal)
- Flow Rate, Mechanical Ventilation (cfm)

3.6 Package Apply Logic

This is where to specify logic to determine whether the whole package of upgrades is applied (all of the options together). It uses the same format as *Option <#> Apply Logic*.