

Computer Models For Fire and Smoke

<i>Model Name:</i>	WAYOUT
<i>Version:</i>	3.6
<i>Date:</i>	2007
<i>Classification:</i>	Egress
<i>Very Short Description:</i>	Computes movement times of evacuation from multi-room and multi-storey buildings – part of FIREWIND collection
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<i>User's Guide:</i>	Manual of FIREWIND
<i>Technical References:</i>	Manual of FIREWIND
<i>Validation References:</i>	Shestopal V.O. "Computer modelling of merging pedestrian traffic". Pedestrian and Evacuation Dynamics 2003. Proc. of the 2-nd Int. Conf., the University of Greenwich, 2003, pp. 395-403.
<i>Availability:</i>	Available from Fire Modelling & Computing (see http://www.optusnet.com.au/~firecomp)
<i>Price:</i>	\$Aus400, or \$US350 (the entire FIREWIND package)
<i>Necessary Hardware:</i>	Microsoft WINDOWS
<i>Computer Language:</i>	C
<i>Size:</i>	Approximately 600 kB (the entire package of 18 programs)
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Detailed Description:

Evacuation model WAYOUT computes traffic flow in emergency situations from multi-room and multi-storey buildings. Only merging traffic flows are considered. In case of branching flows, a user is supposed to draw watersheds to divide the flows and compute them separately.

The model is based on a non-linear flow algorithm utilizing an experimentally obtained speed – density dependence by Predtechenskii & Mininskii. The model includes a trend of the pedestrian flow to jump into the maximum-density mode when the flow intensity reaches a critical value.

Verification of the model against available test data has been made and points to a slightly conservative character of the computed results.