

Passive House – towards a sustainable future



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Portland/Maine September 2014

Passive House is 27 years old



1987:

Bo Adamson

„Passive Houses in South-West China“

Lund university, September 2014

“Sustainable Building Award”



Bo Adamson and Wolfgang Feist



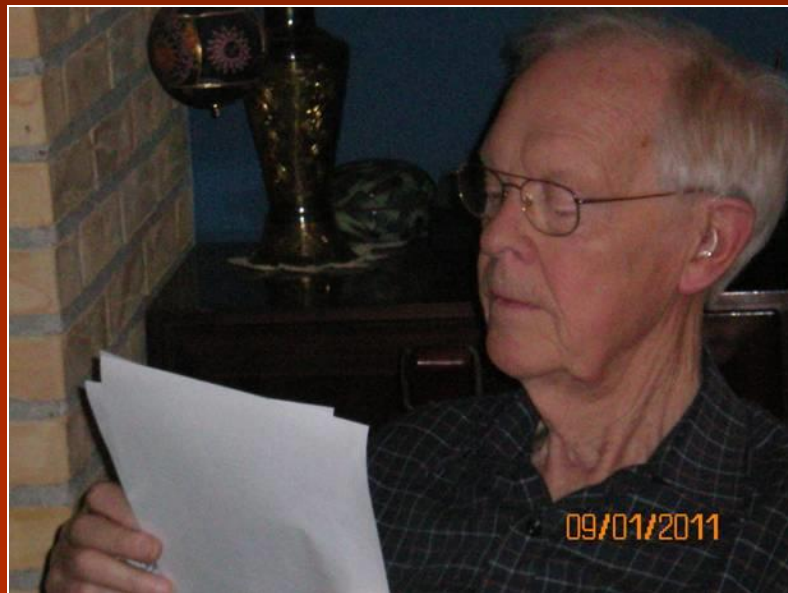
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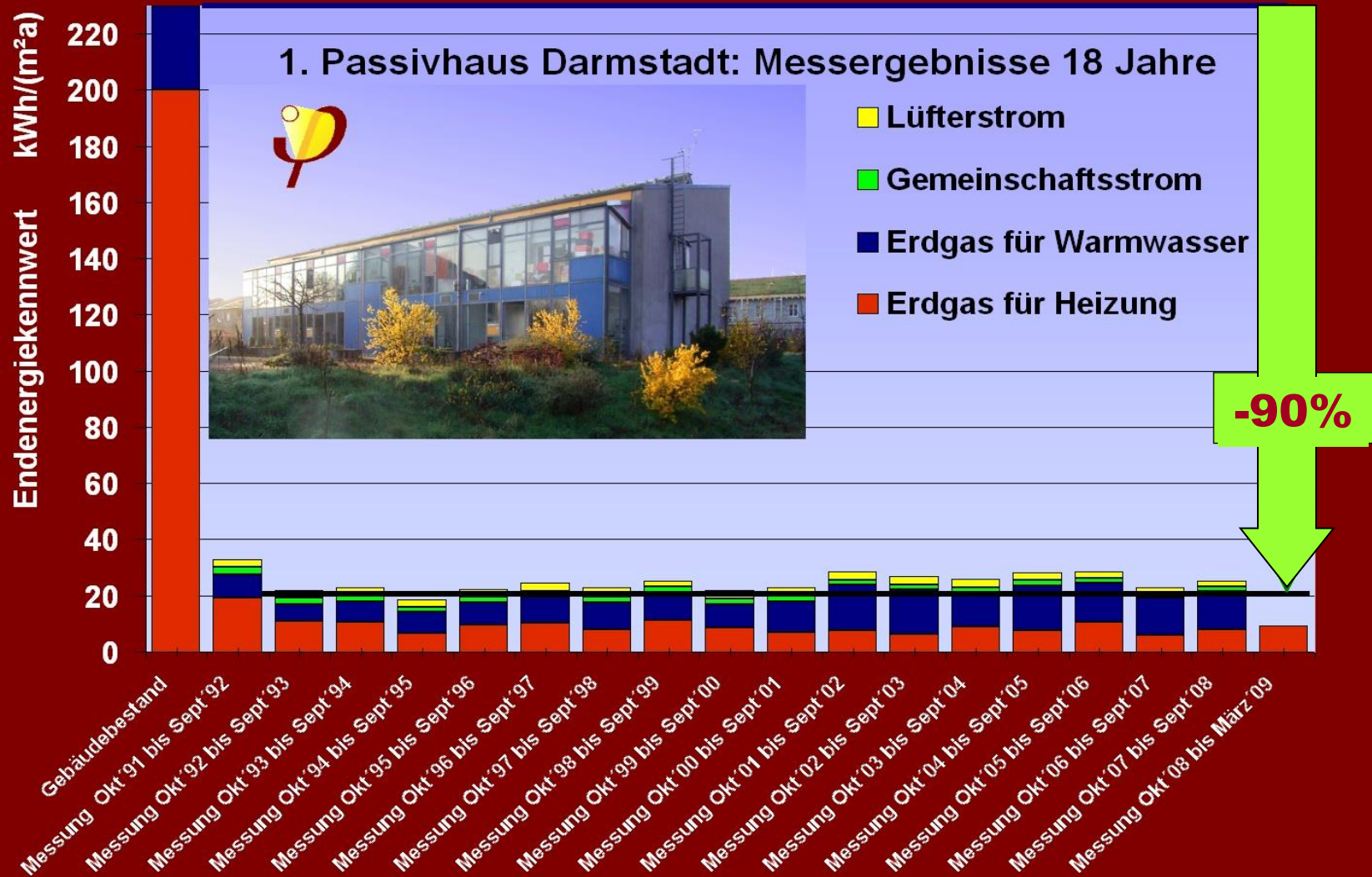


Vang Korsgaard



Claes Bankvall

Long term tried and tested: Passivhaus Darmstadt Kranichstein 1991...2014



Long term stable „nearly zero energy“

Passive Houses for Different Tasks

School



Social Housing



Office Buildings



Kindergarten



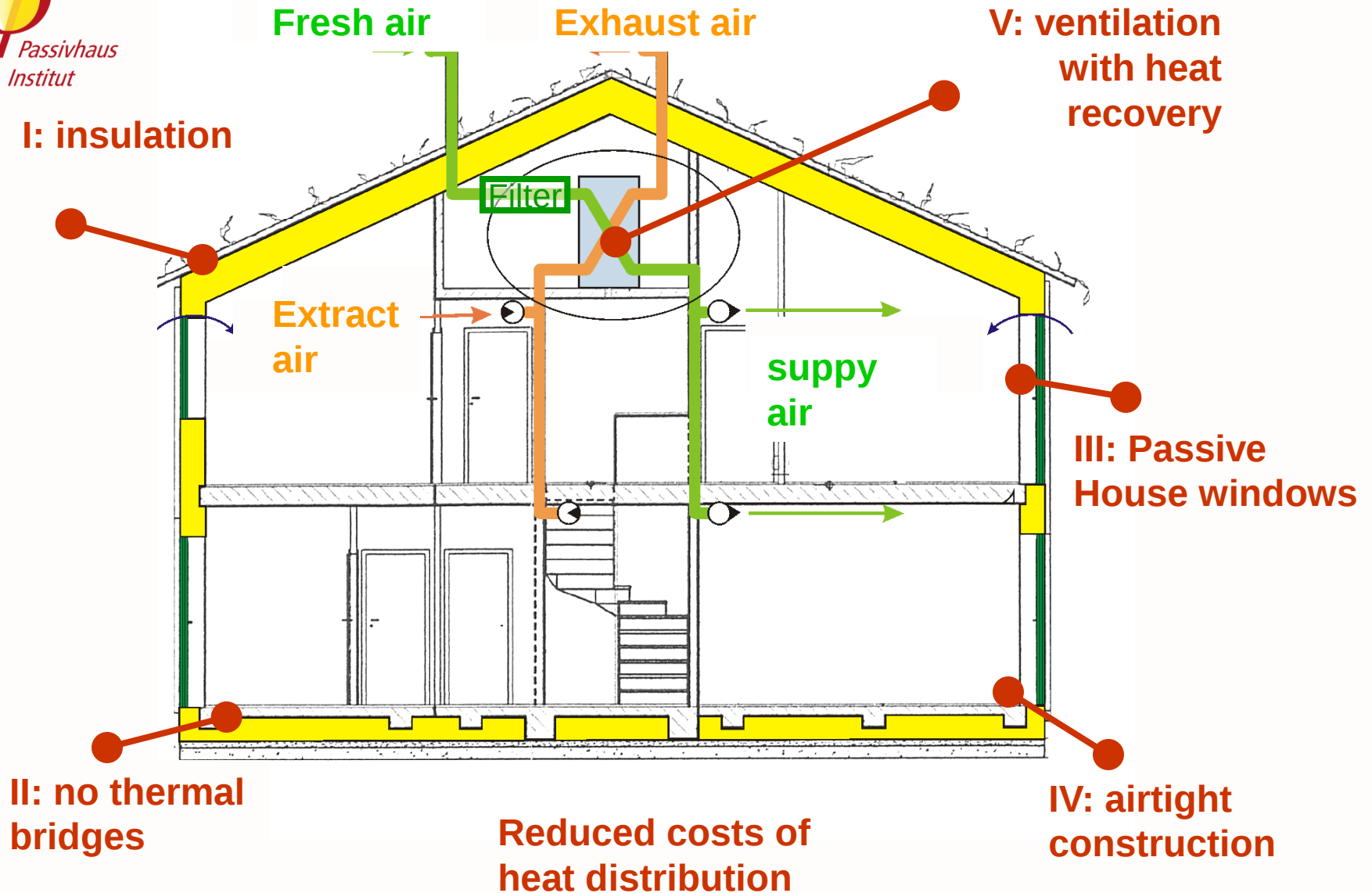
Swimming Hall



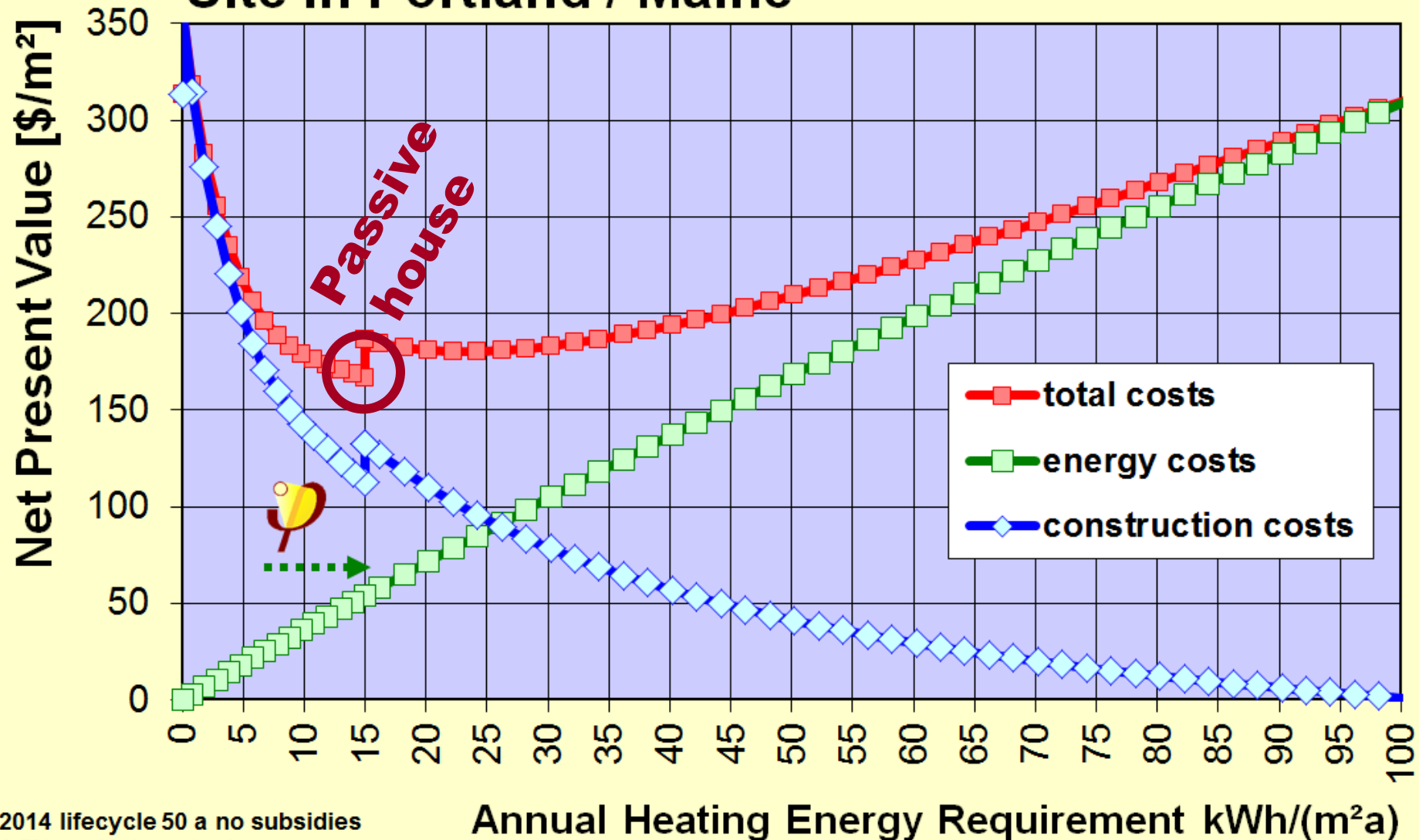
Passive House – Sustainability becomes affordable all components needed anyhow



Passivhaus
Institut



Site in Portland / Maine



2014 lifecycle 50 a no subsidies
1.5% real interest rate
energy price 8 Cent/kWh

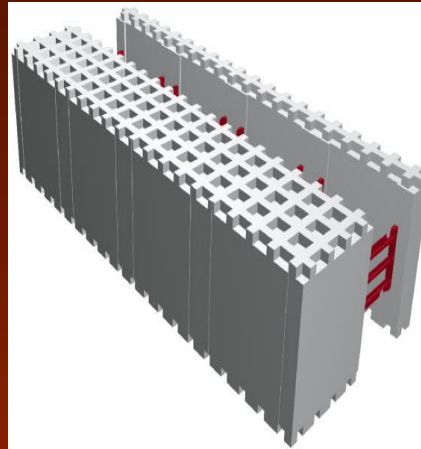
Annual Heating Energy Requirement kWh/(m²a)

Passive House – most economic standard

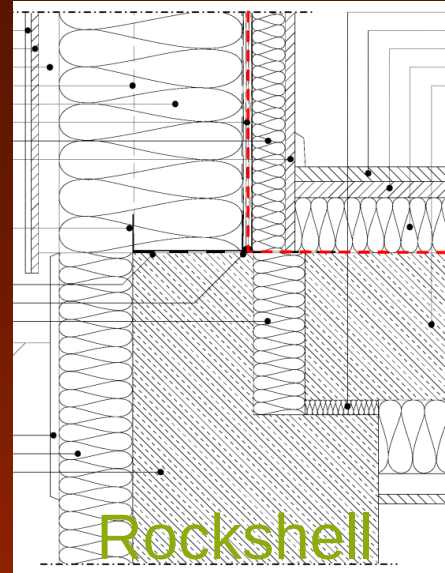
Wall-Systems



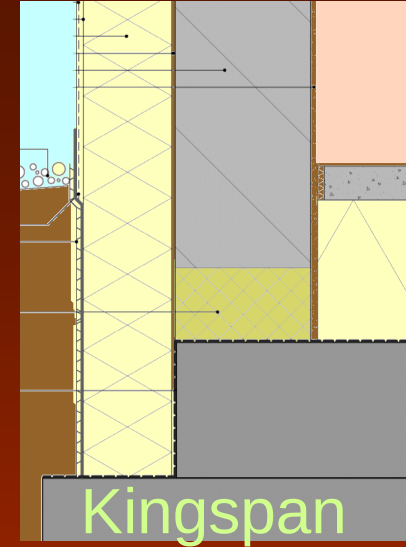
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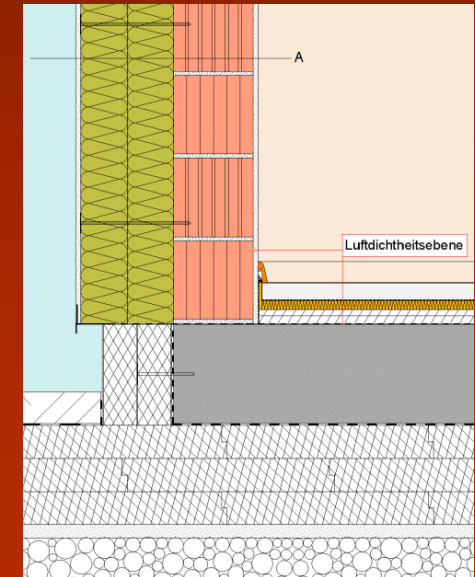
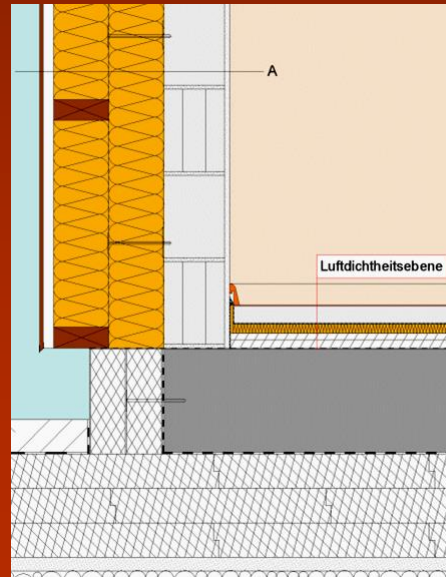
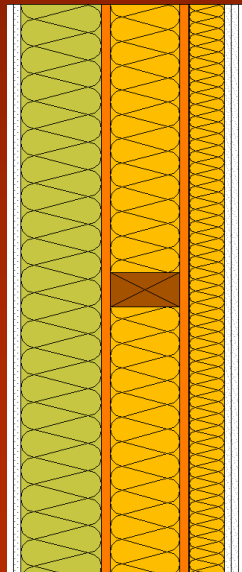
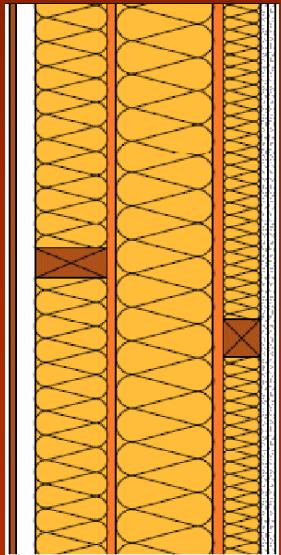
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Rockshell



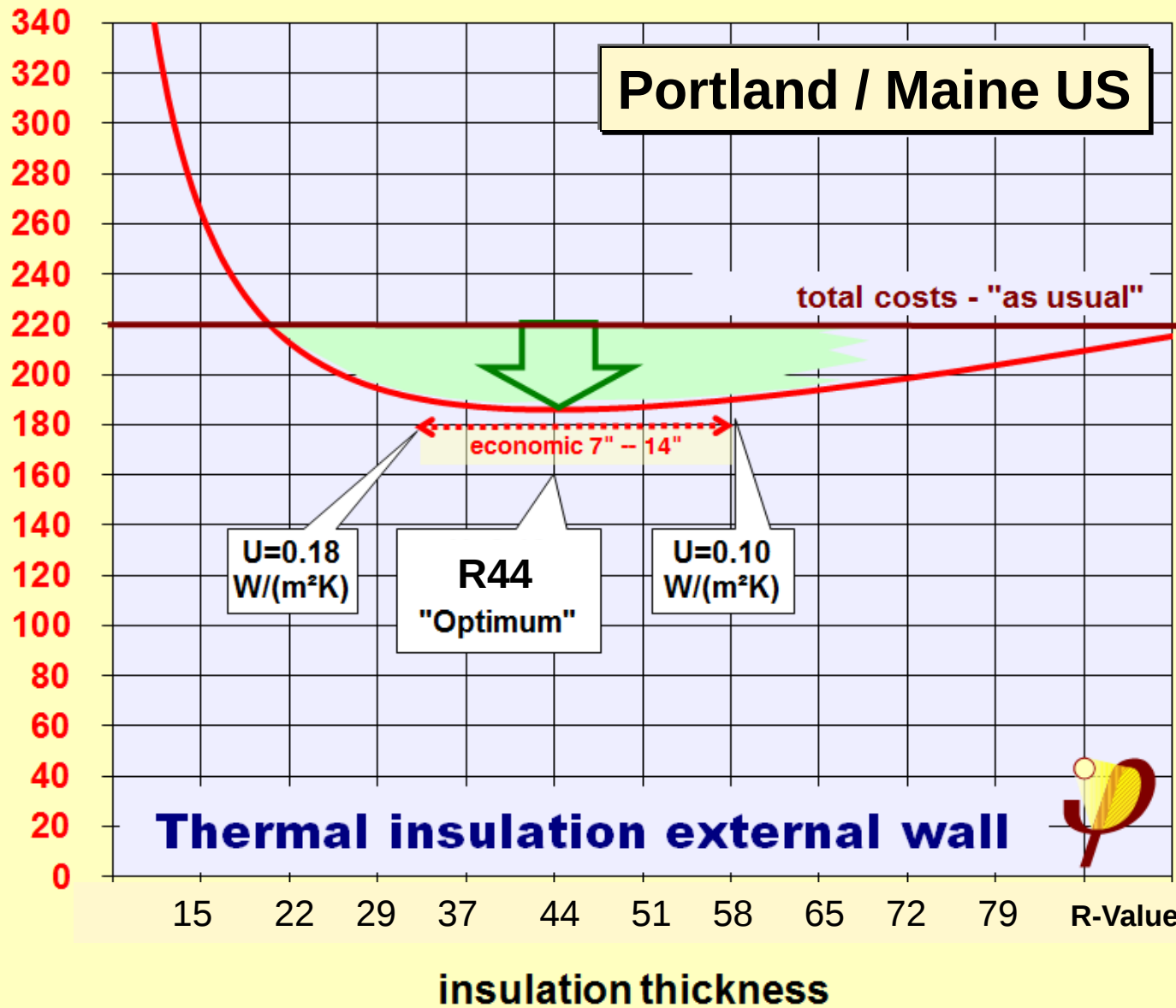
Kingspan



Isover-HLF Isover-WdVS Isover-massivHLF Isover-massiv-WdVS

Total costs (investment + energy) present value [\$/m²]

Portland / Maine US

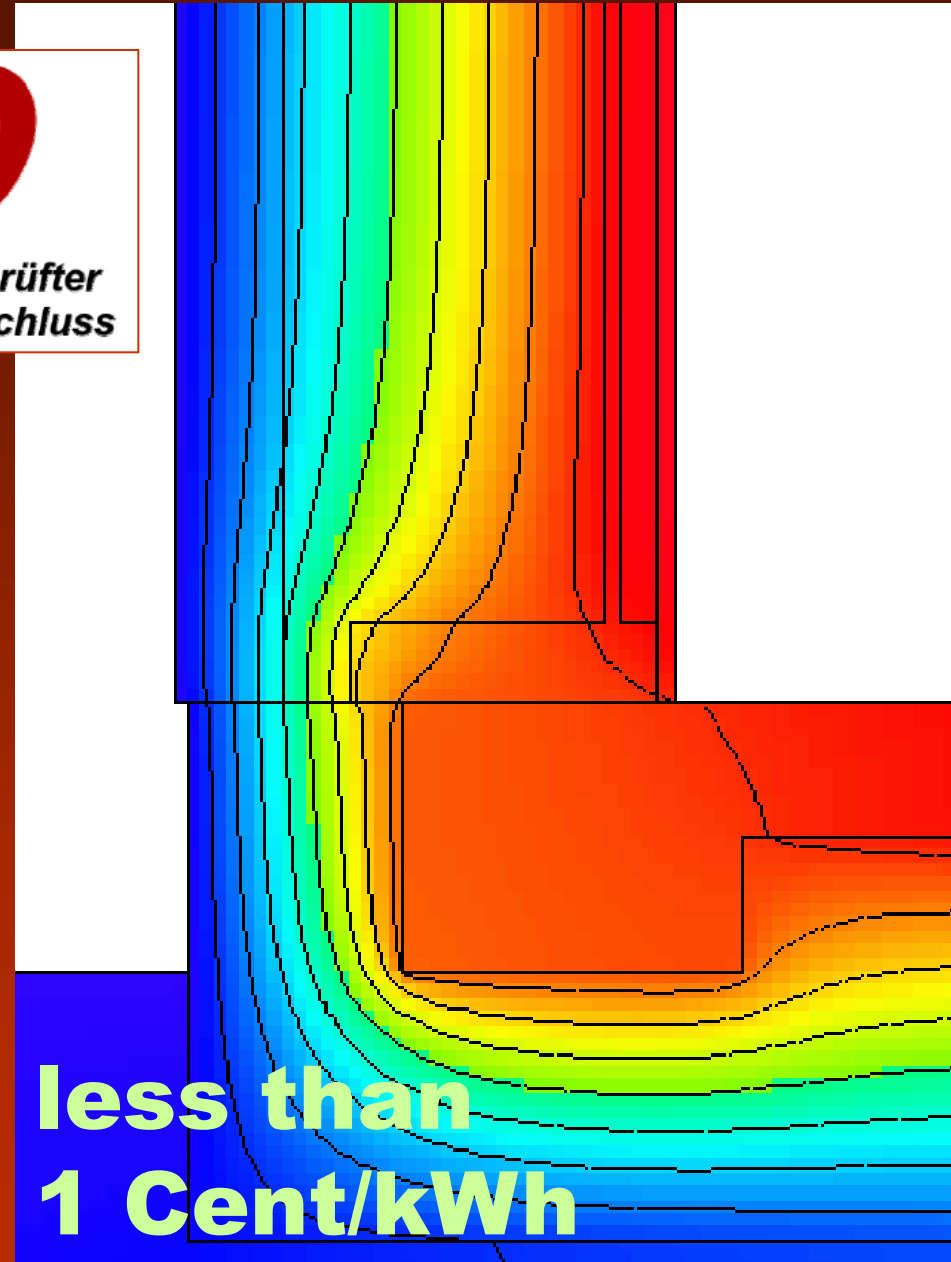
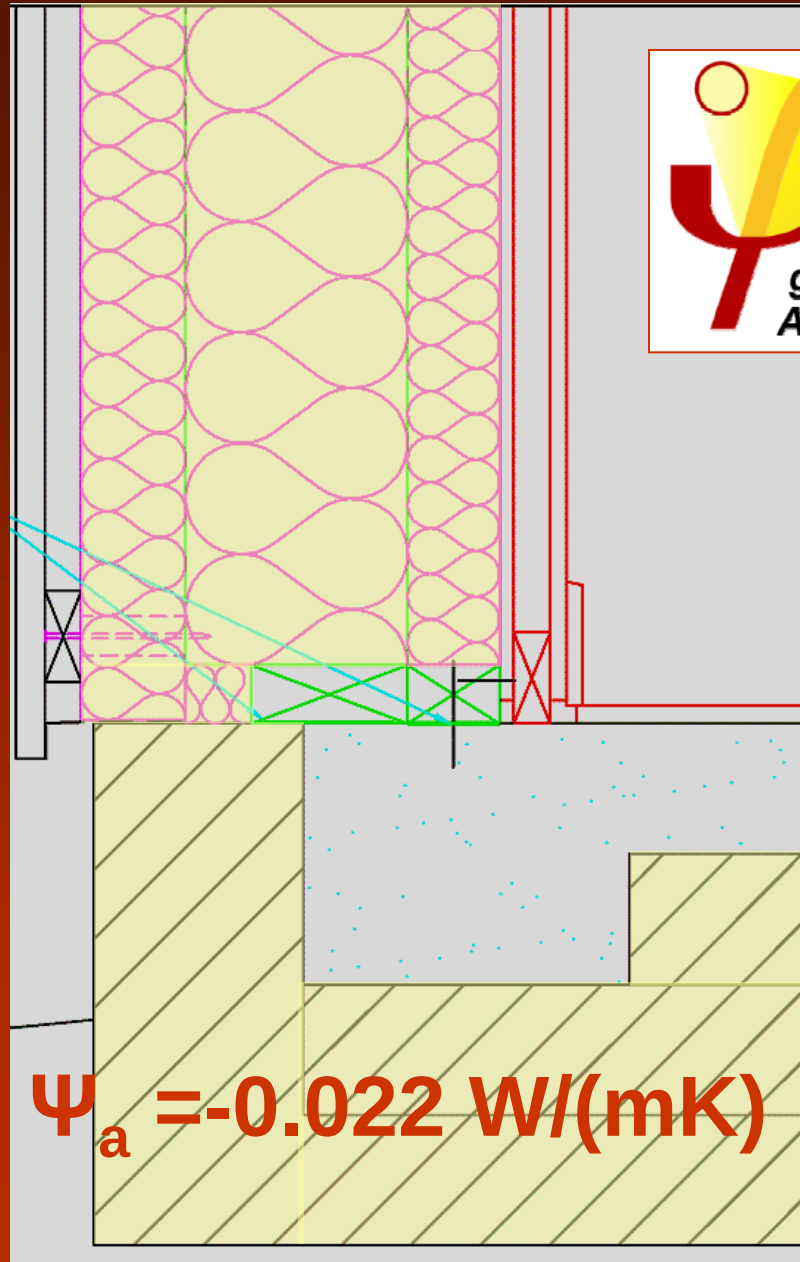


conditions: 2014 1,5% real interest, 8 Cent/kWh, 50 a

Insulation Costs 1.50 \$/cm

Passive House – most economic standard

Thermal Bridge free Details



High efficient low-e glazing:

Energy-gain-glazing



Advantages, not just energy savings:

- high surface temp.
- best thermal comfort
- no condensation
- no cold drafts
- better protection of the construction

Glazing:
2 to 3 Cent/kWh

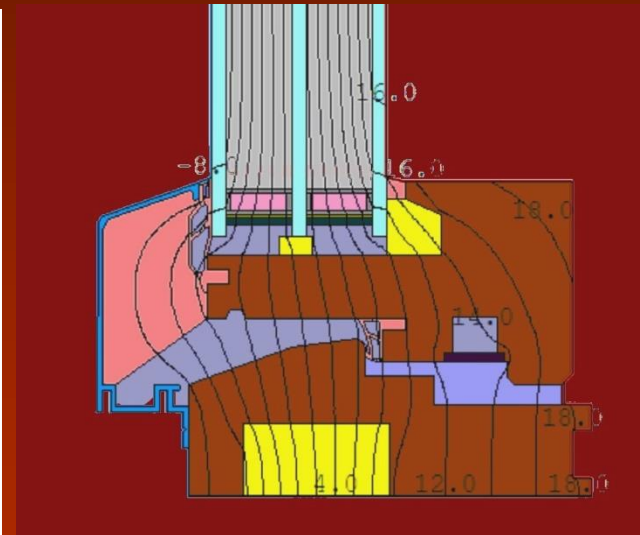
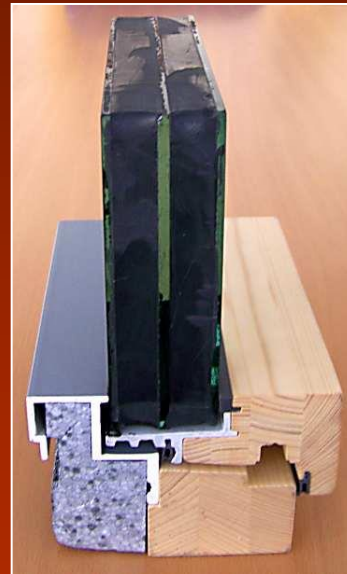
Sustainable Solution:

Energy-Plus-Window

Contemporary Window



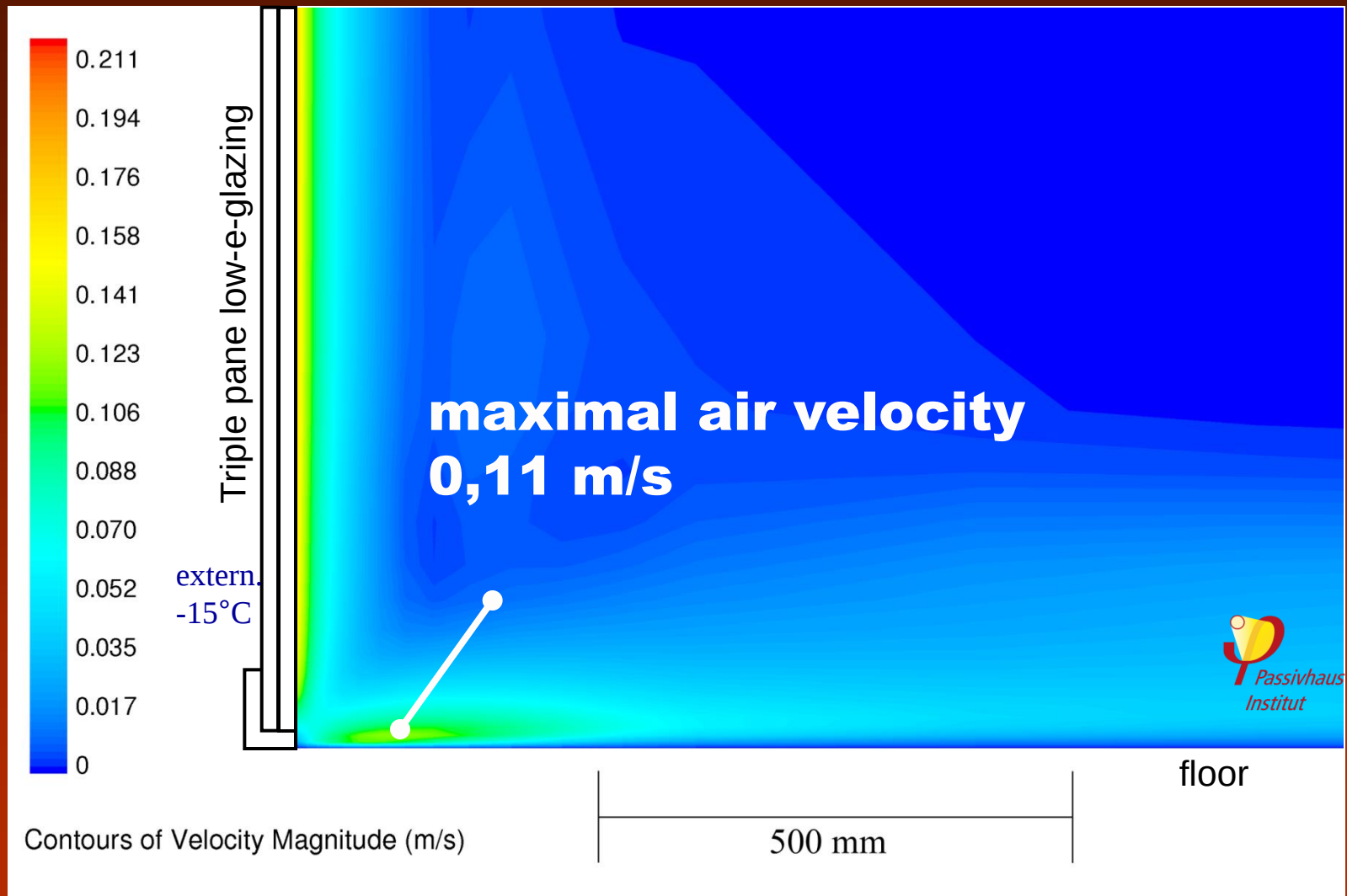
Passive House – Window



-130%

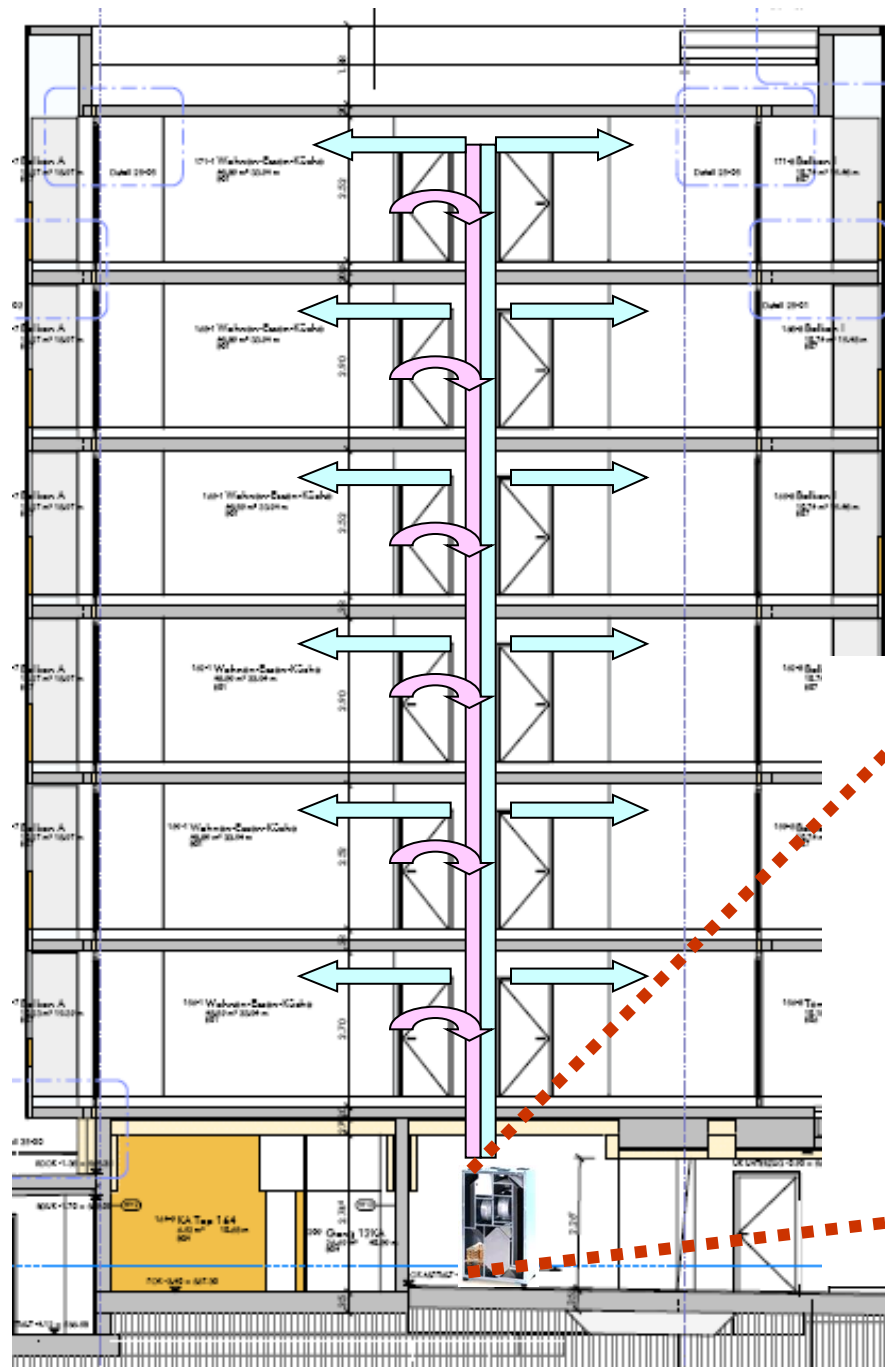
4,5 Cent/kWh

Best Possible Comfort – air flow at base of the window



**CFD-simulation of the air movement with a
Passive House window ($U = 0,85 \text{ W/m}^2/\text{K}$).**

Boundary cond.: free convection
air temp. external -15°C
air temp. internal 20°C
(controlled)



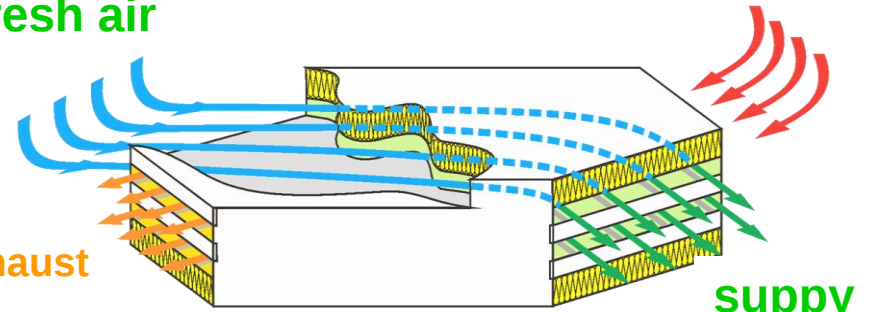
heat-recovery

Fresh air

Exhaust air

Extract air

supply air



advantages –

- good IAQ
- best comfort
- no drafts
- better protection of the building

10 Cent/kWh

Heat Recovery Ventilation:

Criteria: Performance in the focus ... should work in a real building!

- Comfortable supply air temperatures (always $> 16.5^{\circ}\text{C}$),
- low air flow velocities
- Efficiency criterion - heat: $\eta_{\text{HR}} > 75\%$
- Efficiency criterion - electricity: max. 0.45 Wh/m^3
- Good airtightness and thermal insulation
- Balance: outdoor/exhaust air
- and controlled operation (70/100/130 %)
- Noise protection: max (!) 25 dB(A) in living spaces
- Hygiene (filters)
- Frost protection

Certificate

valid until 31/12/20xx

Passivhaus Institut
Dr. Wolfgang Feist
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Component suitable for
Passive Houses: Heat recovery unit
Manufacturer:
Name of product:

The following criteria were checked for the award of this certificate:
(The criteria are valid for the cool temperate climate.)

- 1) Passive House Thermal Comfort Criterion:**
A minimum supply air temperature of 16.5°C is achieved at an ambient temperature of -10°C .
Reasoning: In Passive Houses there is no need to install radiators on exterior walls. In order to avoid discomfort due to exposure to cold air, the supply air temperature must not sink below a minimum value.
- 2) Efficiency Criterion (heat):**
The effective dry heat recovery rate, determined at an ambient air temperature between -15 and 10°C , dry extraction air (21°C) and with balanced mass flows, must be greater than:
 $\eta_{\text{HR,eff}} \geq 75\%$ (in this case: xx%).
- 3) Efficiency Criterion (electricity):**
The unit's total specific electric power consumption for the operating levels applied in Passive Houses must not exceed 0.45 Wh/m^3 , for the supply air delivered at design mass flow (in this case: xx Wh/m³, under conditions described in the appendix).
- 4) Airtightness and thermal insulation:**
The interior and exterior air leakage flow rates must not exceed 3 % of the nominal extraction air flow rate.
(Requirements and verification are described in the certificate's appendix.)
- 5) Balancing and controllability:**
(Requirements and verification are described in the certificate's appendix.)
- 6) Sound insulation:** The certificate is only valid with the restriction of installation in a separate room for building services.
The required sound pressure level of 35 dB(A) in the installation space with an equivalent absorption area of 4 m^2 is met, sound levels of $< 25\text{ dB(A)}$ in living spaces and $< 30\text{ dB(A)}$ in functional spaces are achieved with sound absorbers.
(Requirements and verification are described in the certificate's appendix.)
- 7) Room air hygiene:** A fresh air filter F7 is integrated in the unit.
If the unit and all components are installed and operated according to the manufacturer's instructions, the unit will provide perfectly hygienic supply air.
(Requirements and verification are described in the certificate's appendix.)
- 8) Anti-freeze protection:** (Requirements and verification are described in the certificate's appendix.)

The certificate is to be used as follows:

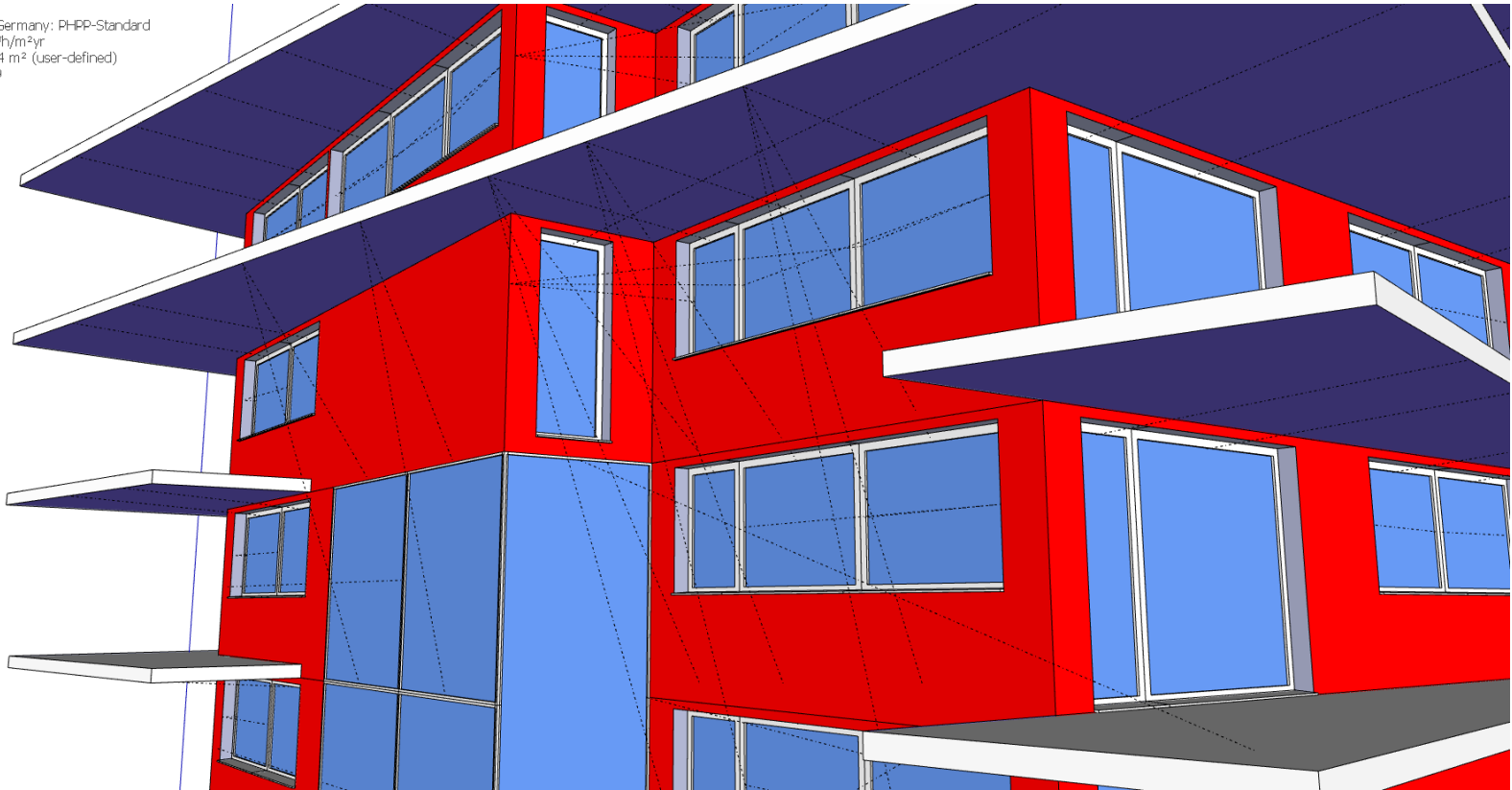
COMPONENT suitable for PASSIVE HOUSES
Dr. Wolfgang Feist



Heat recovery unit:
Heat recovery rate (effective): xx%
Electric efficiency: xx Wh/m³

designPH is a plugin for Trimble Sketchup which allows to design Passive House projects in 3D and import the model into PHPP

Climate: Germany: PHPP-Standard
Qh: 9 kWh/m²yr
TFA: 2214 m² (user-defined)
FHLF: 1.49

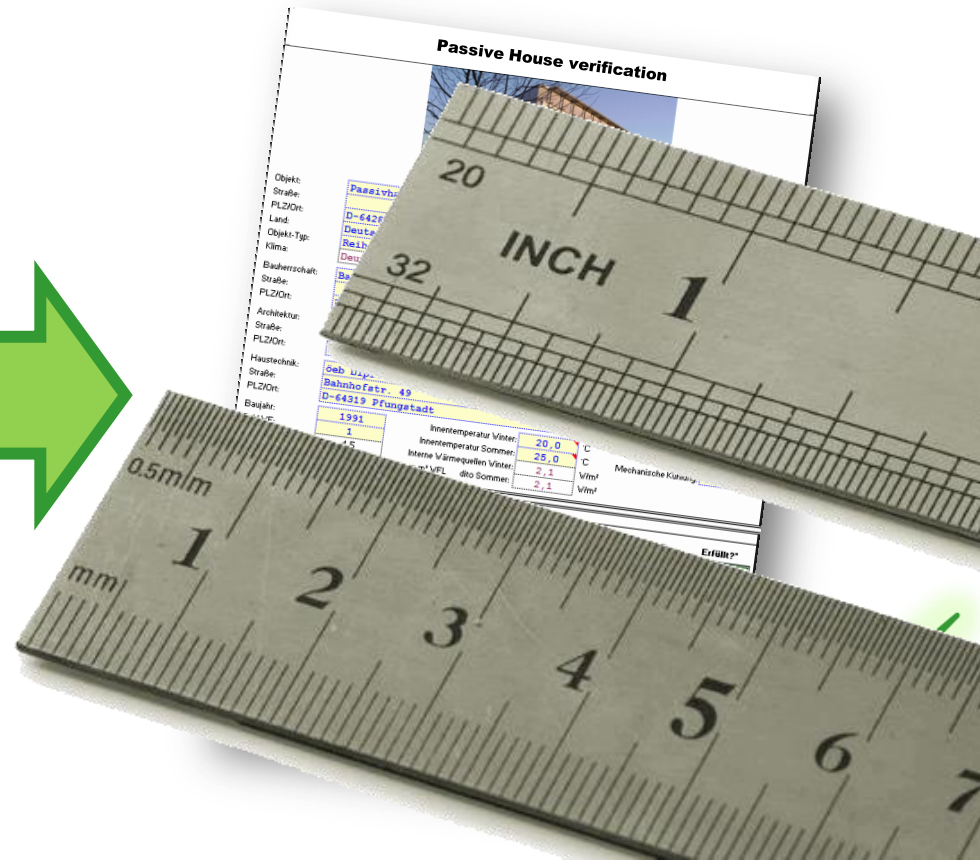
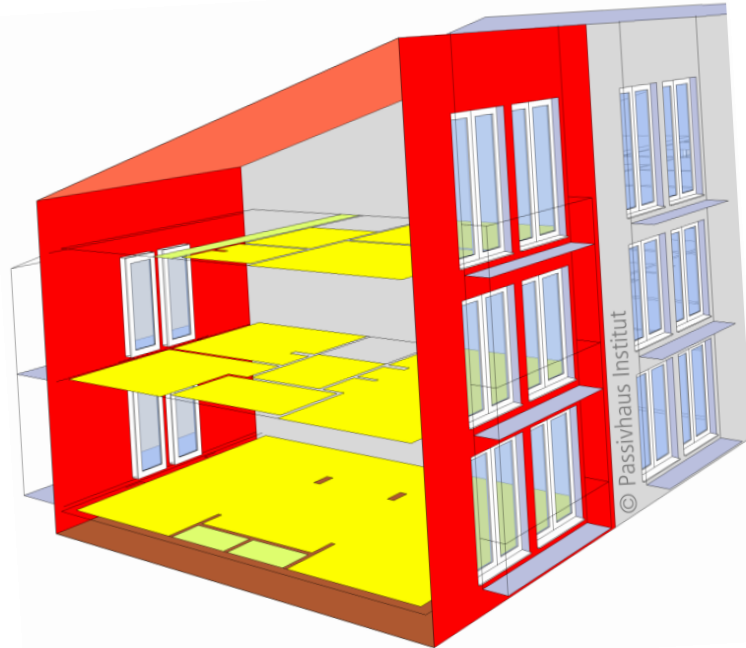


Climate: Germany: PHPP-Standard

Q_h 15 kWh/m²yr

TFA 165 m² (user defined)

FHLF 2,90



it's the helping hand for implementing good passive house projects

www.designph.org

designPH 

the 3D interface for PHPP

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First designPH 1.0.6 patch released!

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designPH is set to revolutionise the way we use PHPP



Join designPH at the 2014 International Passive House Conference!

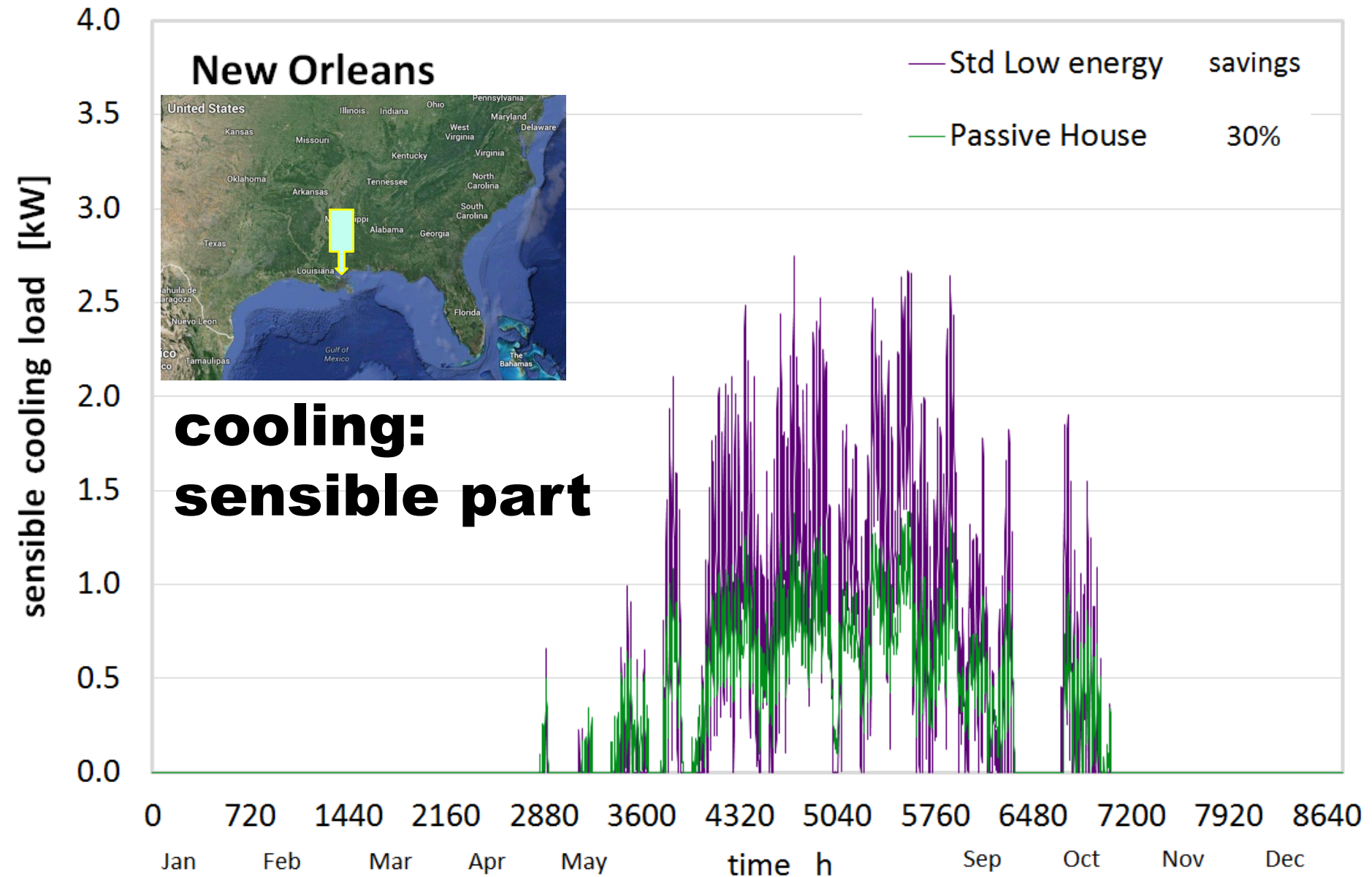
What makes *designPH* so unique ?

designPH is a plugin for the popular 3D design software SketchUp.

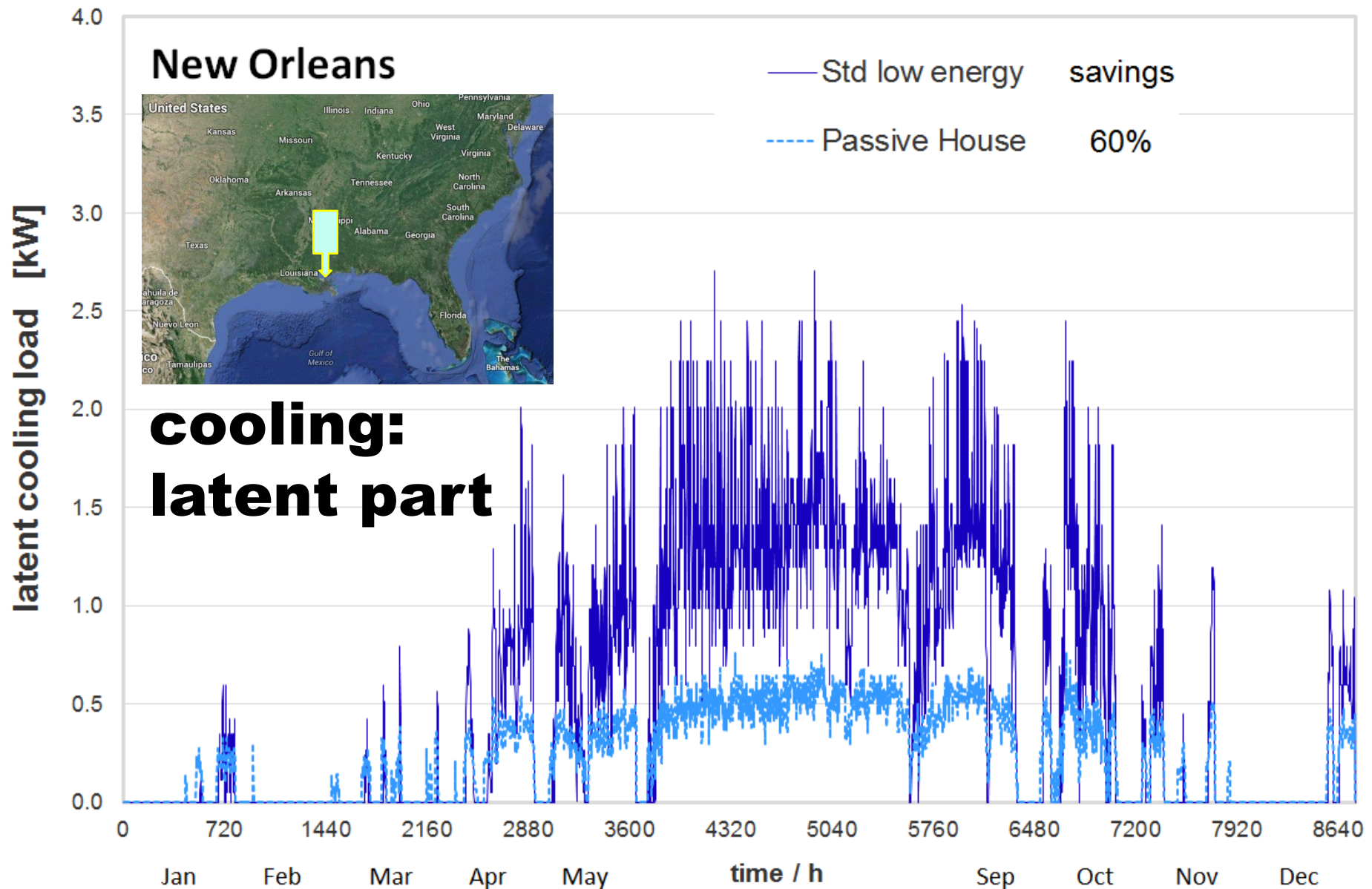
designPH is the new, interactive and graphically oriented input interface for PHPP.

designPH has been developed by the  **Passive House Institute** to provide a 3D modelling interface that works

Looking at different climates

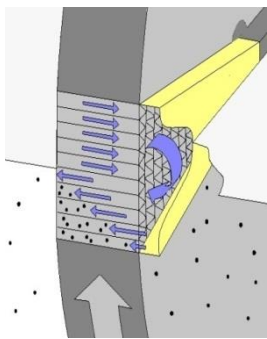


Cooling „latent part“: Dehumidification

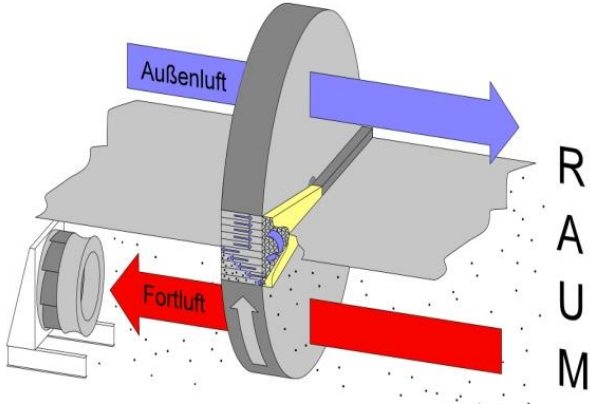


Humidity recovery the other way: keep the humidity out!

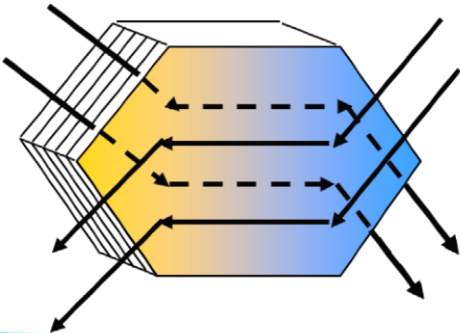
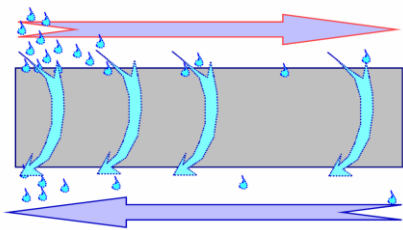
sorption
wheel



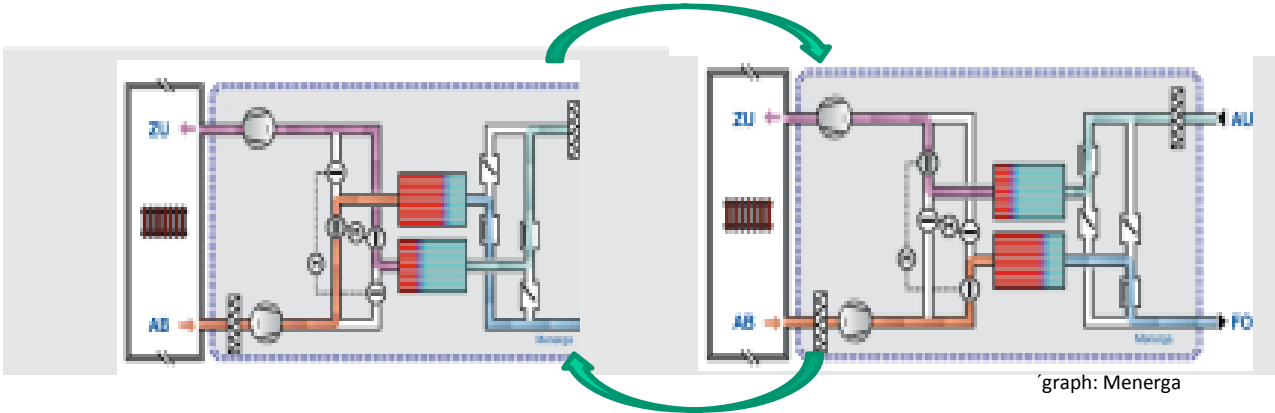
graph: Lautner



humidity-
transfer-
membrane



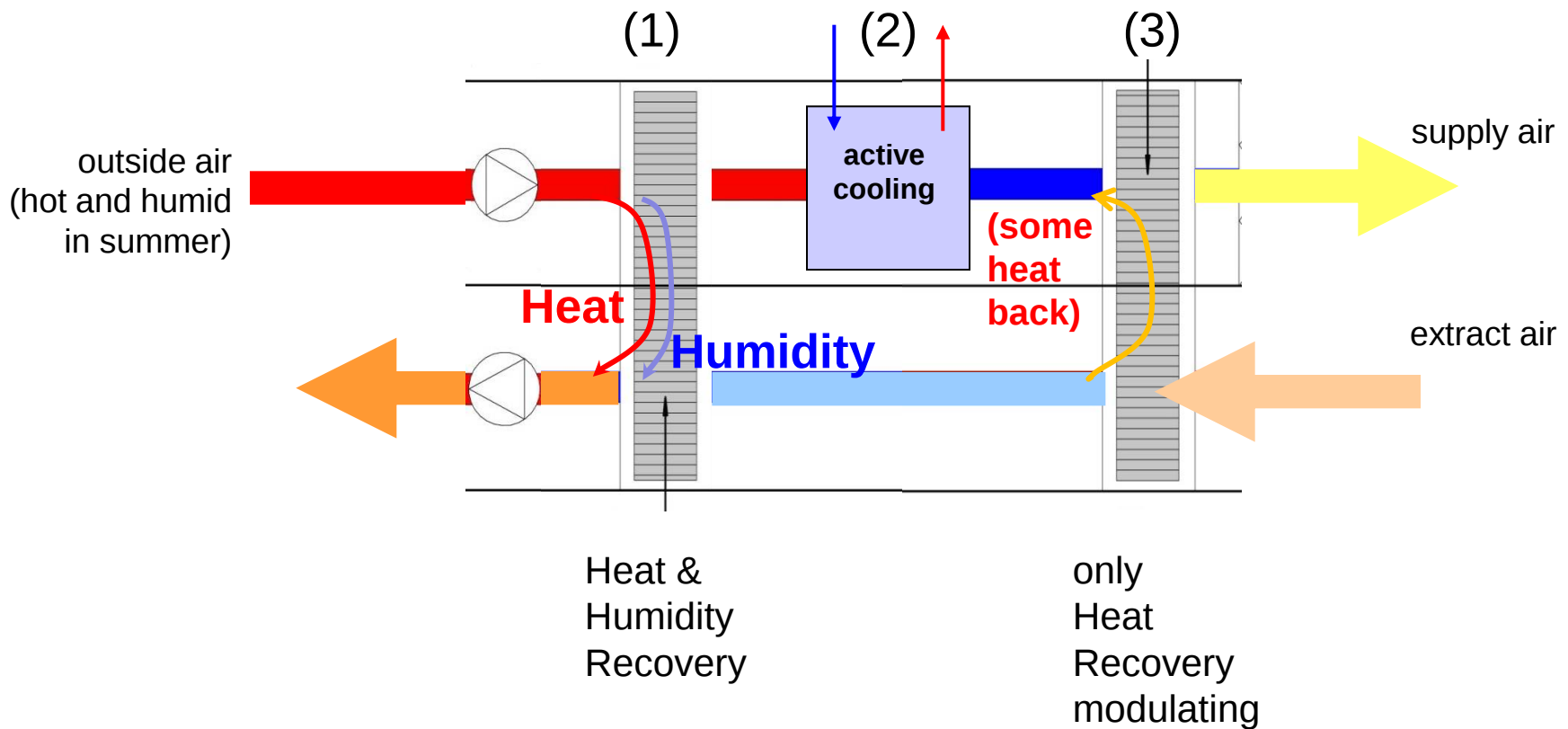
flap
controlled
counterflow



graph: Menerga

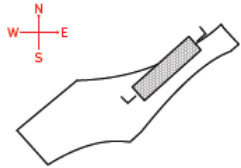
Solution: cooling & dehumidification supported by heat & humidity recovery

- Humidity recovery system (wheel, mebrane, switching, ...) (1)
- active cooling coil – reaching comfort zone humidity (2)
- cooled air (humidity <12 g/kg) sometimes reheated by ordinary HRV (3)
- **always appropriate cooling and dehumidification is possible**



Example: hotel building near Shanghai, China

- used as a hotel, therefore high internal loads (that's challenging!)
- 2200 m² (TFA) hotel: 20 m² each dwelling (1 Person)
- compact design (+)
- shading by architectural design (+)



view from south east

Architect: PeterRuge, Berlin

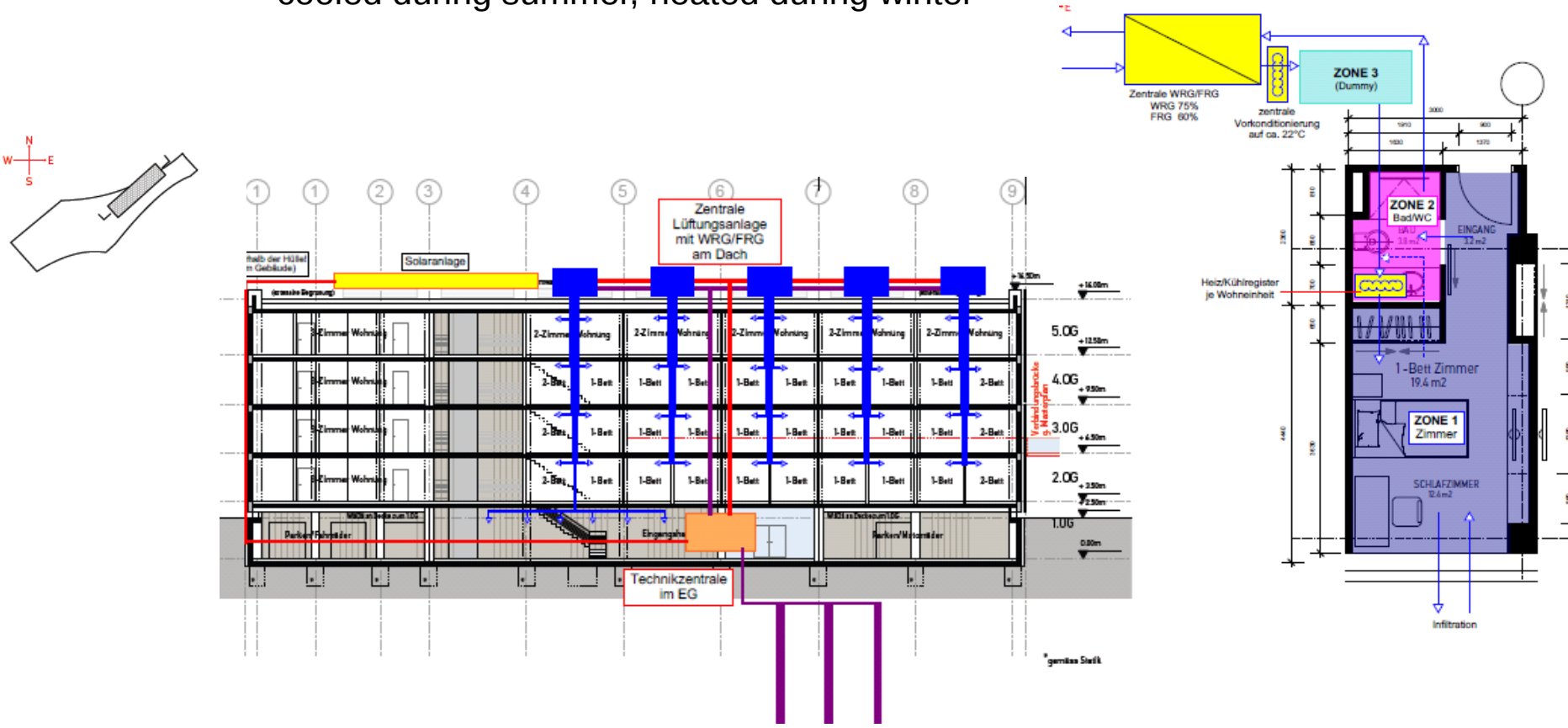
Contractor: Landsea, Shanghai, China

LANDSEA CHANGXING BRUCK PASSIVE HOUSE

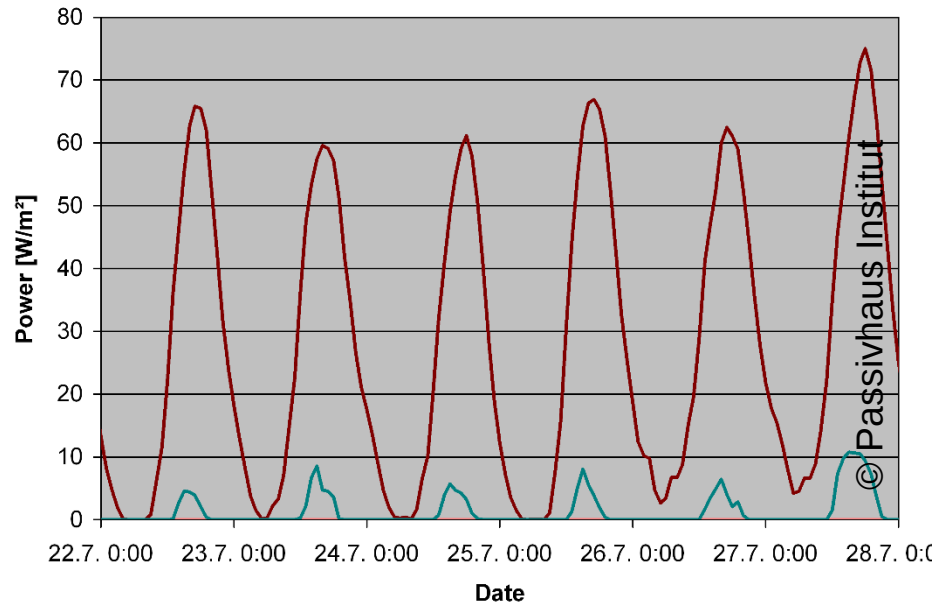


example: concept for cooling and dehumidification

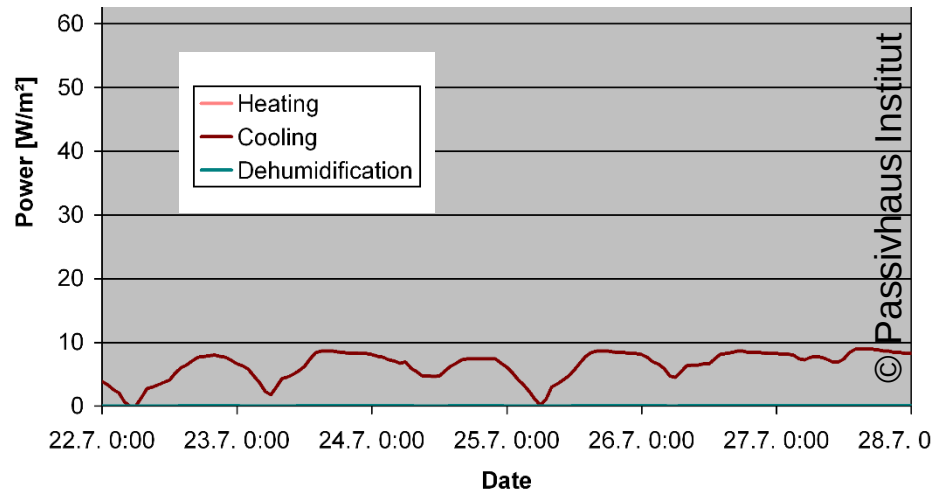
- centralized preconditioning of air (MVHR) combined with dehumidification to 12 g/kg on roof
- decentral heating or cooling to adjust comfortable air temperatures with small circulation air heater/cooler in each dwelling (ach: 2/h)
- heat and cold source by water circle: cooled during summer, heated during winter



if active cooling needed in PH: **no more cooling peak power problem**



Existing old standard building:
needs very high cooling power



Passive House:
only low cooling power needed
no electric peak power problem

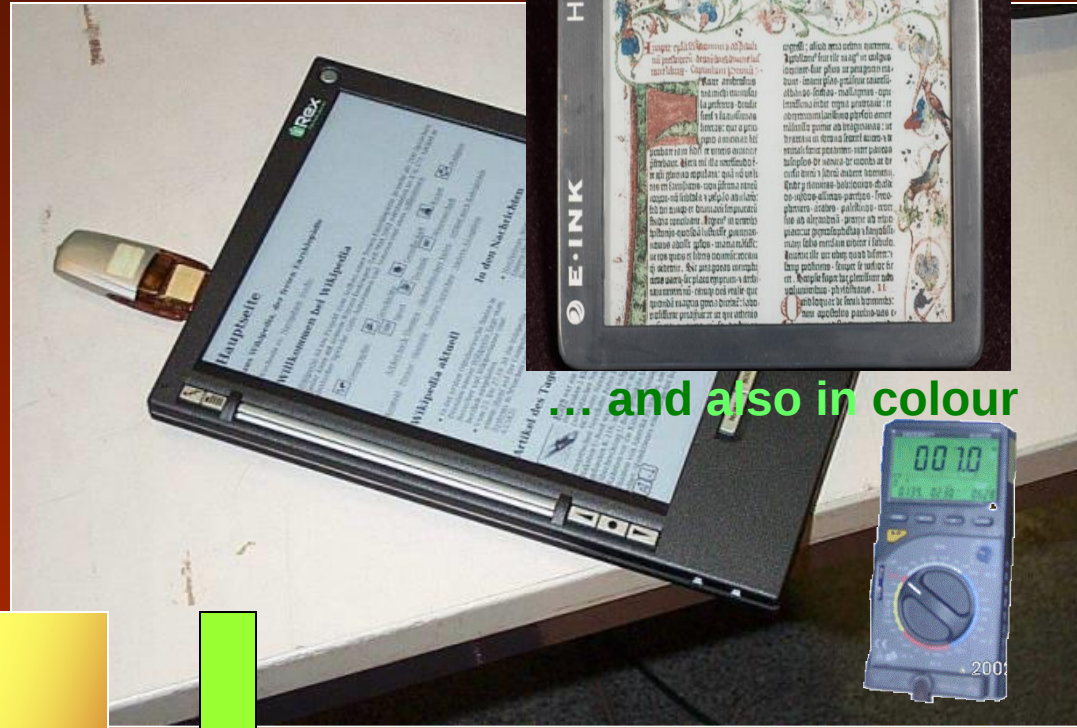


for more information see www.passipedia.org

Sustainable Solution – high Efficiency: „electronic ink“



76 Watt



... and also in colour

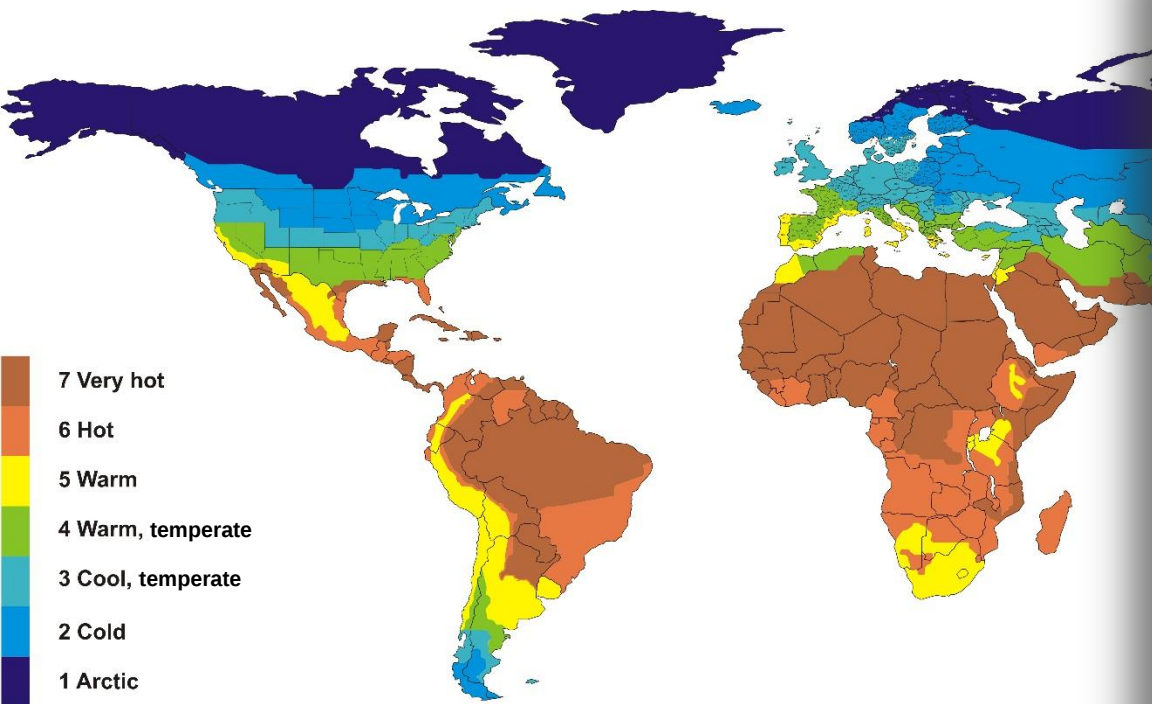
-99%

unter 1
Watt

**Energy efficiency is
very cost efficient**

EnerPHit standard for energy retrofit with PH components

International criteria available from end of 2014
Including sets of component requirements
for 7 climate zones



Tighthouse - Fabrica 718 J Torres Moskovitz, Thermal Image by Sam McAfee



Certificate

Passive House Institute
Dr. Wolfgang Feist
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64283 Darmstadt, Germany

The Passive House Institute hereby awards the EnerPHit certificate to the following building:

Passive House, Passivestr. 100, P-12345 Passivitycity

Certified Retrofit
Passive House Institute

Client:	Paula Passive Passivestr. 100, 12345 Passivitycity, Country
Architecture:	Architect's Office Passivestr. 100, 12345 Passivitycity, Country
Building Services:	MEP Engineering Office Passivestr. 100, 12345 Passivitycity, Country

This building was designed to meet the Passive House component energy retrofit criteria as defined by the Passive House Institute Darmstadt. Given appropriate on-site implementation, this building has the following characteristics:

Building characteristics:	Achieved	Required	
Annual specific space heating demand ¹	99 kWh/(m²a)	≤ 25 kWh/(m²a)	✓ ¹
Annual specific primary energy demand ² for heating, DHW, ventilation and all other electric appliances for standard use	999 kWh/(m²a)	≤ 129 kWh/(m²a)	✓
Airtightness of building envelope ³ n₅₀ air per test result	0.9 h ⁻¹	≤ 1.0 h ⁻¹	✓
Mean value of individual building component thermal protection:			
Exterior insulation to ambient ⁴ Thermal transmittance (U-value)	0.999 W/(m²K)	≤ 0.15 W/(m²K)	✓
Exterior insulation to ground ² Thermal transmittance (U-value)	0.999 W/(m²K)	≤ 0.19 W/(m²K)	✓ ³
Interior insulation to ambient ⁴ Thermal transmittance (U-value)	0.999 W/(m²K)	≤ 0.35 W/(m²K)	✓
Interior insulation to ground ⁴ Thermal transmittance (U-value)	0.999 W/(m²K)	≤ 0.61 W/(m²K)	✓
Thermal bridges Δ _e Building envelope (window installation excluded)	0.999 W/(m²K)	No limiting value	
Windows ⁵ Thermal transmittance U_{frame,glaz}	0.999 W/(m²K)	≤ 0.85 W/(m²K)	✓
Exterior doors ⁵ Thermal transmittance U_{frame,glaz}	0.999 W/(m²K)	≤ 0.80 W/(m²K)	✓
Ventilation unit ⁶ Effective efficiency of heat recovery	99.9 %	≥ 75 %	✓

¹Limiting value is not relevant. ²Limiting value differs for each building. ³The requirements can not be met (exception applies).

Certification criteria met? Selection of the evaluation method	Space heating demand
	Component quality

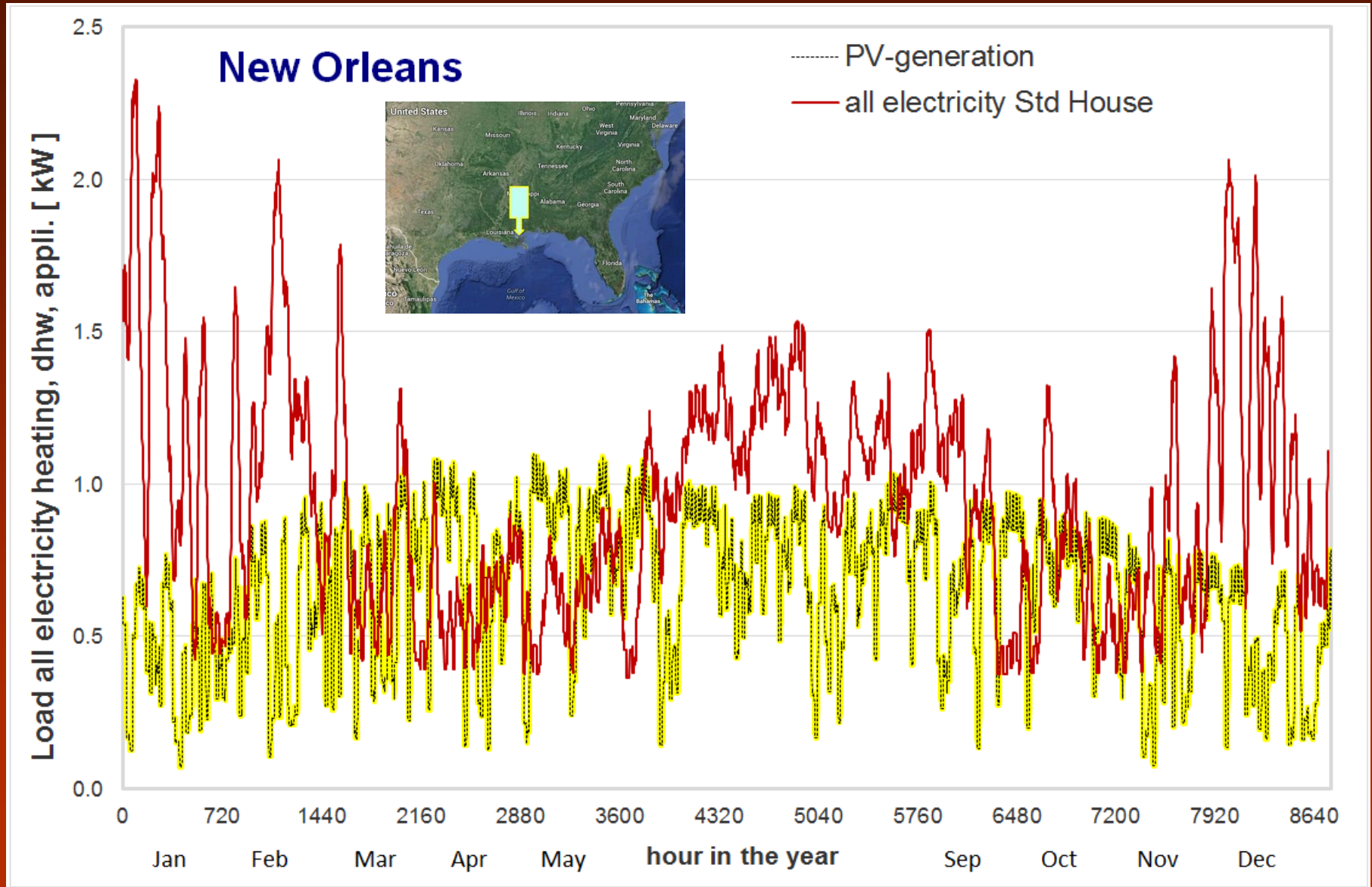
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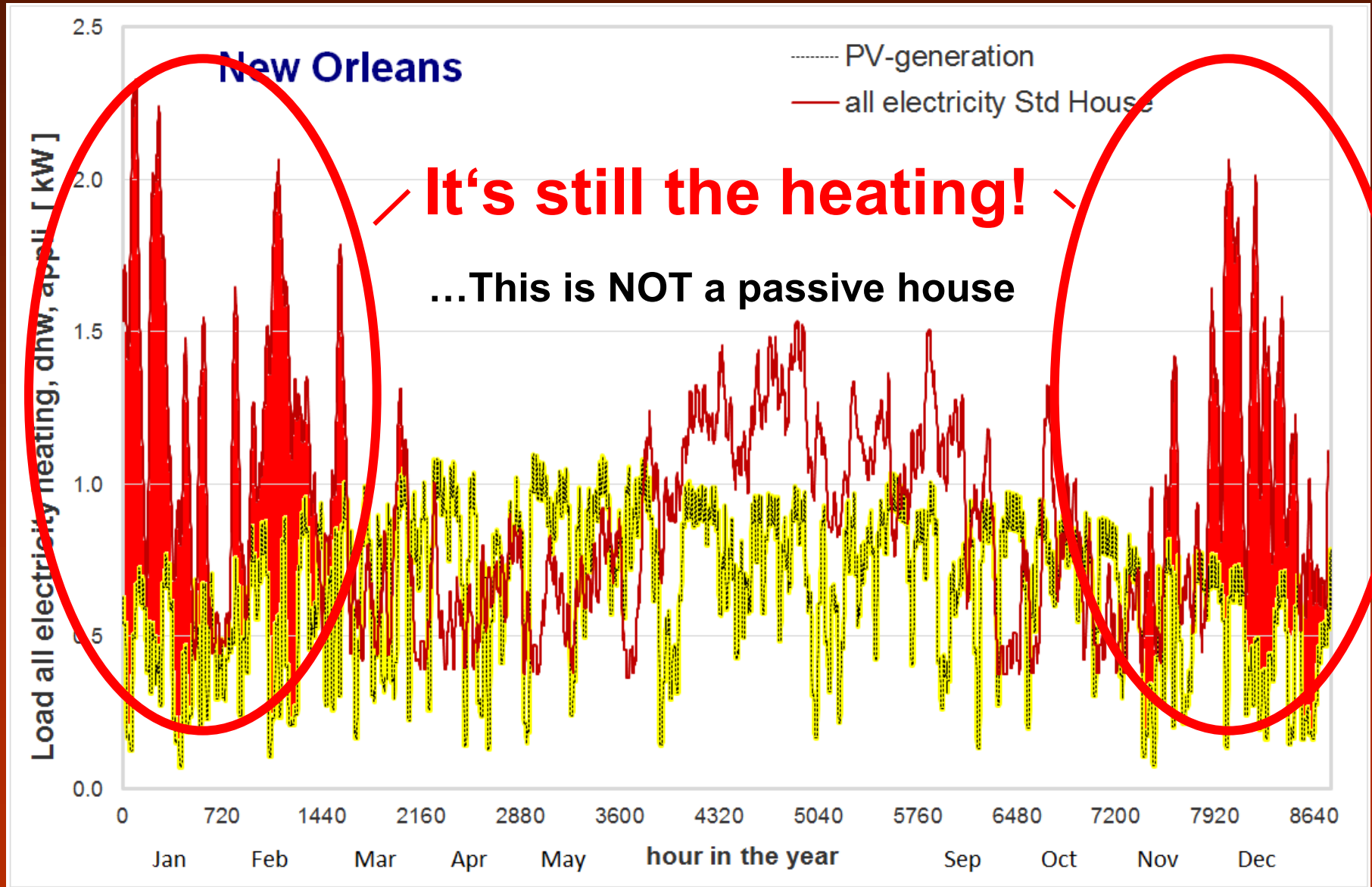
Renewable Supply



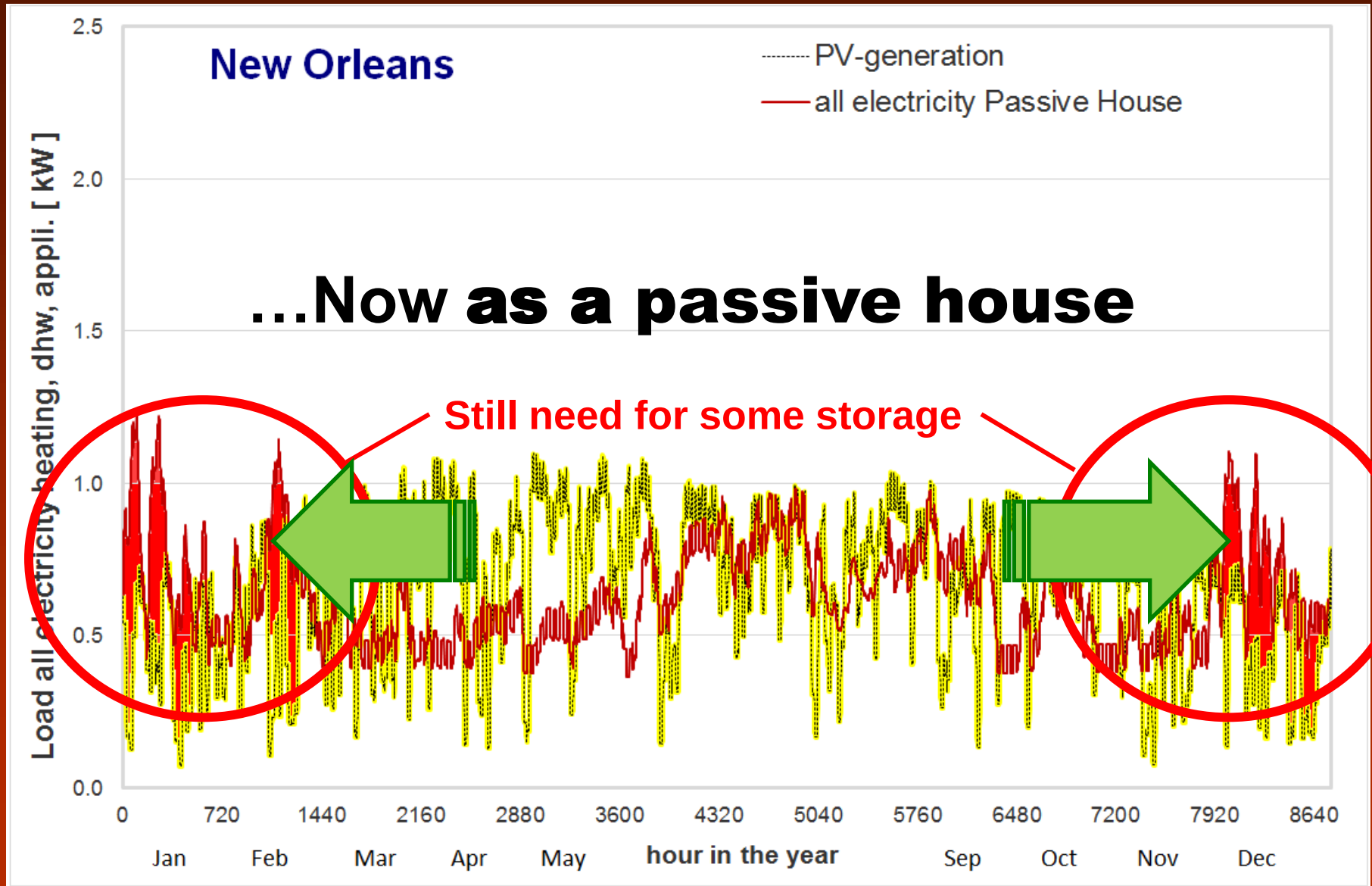
Renewable Supply and Load for all electricity



Renewable Supply and Load for all electricity



Renewable Supply and Load for all electricity



Energy Storage

Storage technology

Flywheel
pump storage

Battery
RES H_2
RES CH_4

High Temperature storage
Low Temperature storage
 H_2O
LT storage soil
LT storage PCM

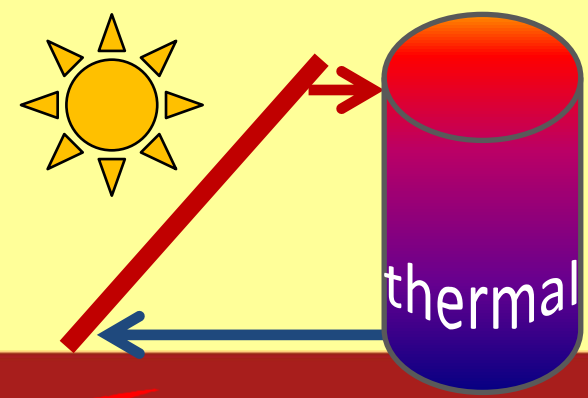
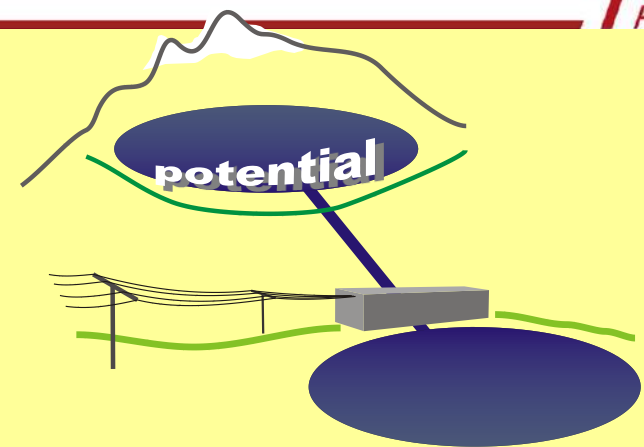
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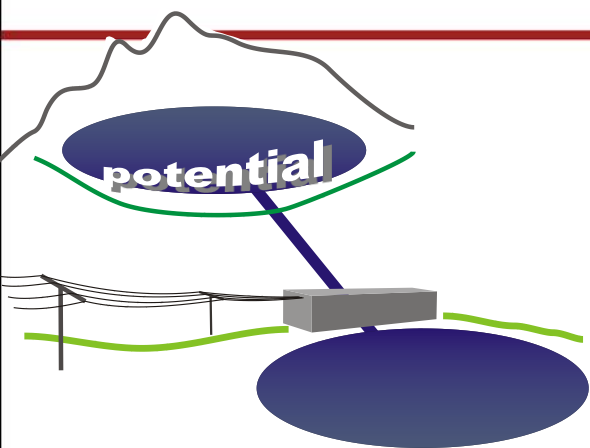
} mechanical

} chemical

} thermal



Energy Storage



Storage technology



Flywheel
Pump storage

Battery
RES H₂
RES CH₄ (Methan)



High Temperature storage

Low Temperature storage H₂O

LT storage soil

LT storage PCM

Efficiency
[%]

Daily
cycle

Storage
costs
[€/kWh]

Annual cycle

costs per
kWh @ 5
€cent/kWh
source
[€/kWh]

75	0.008	2.60
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48		
36		

25-39
Cent/kWh

45	0.016	5.00
40	0	

25-70
Cent/kWh

50	0.007	2.70
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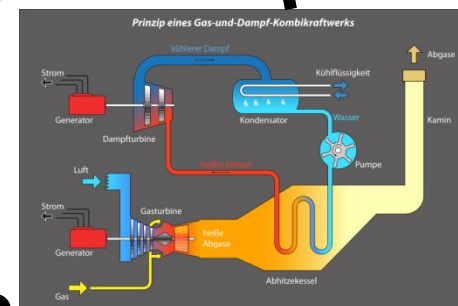


PV

Wind

To grid and consumers

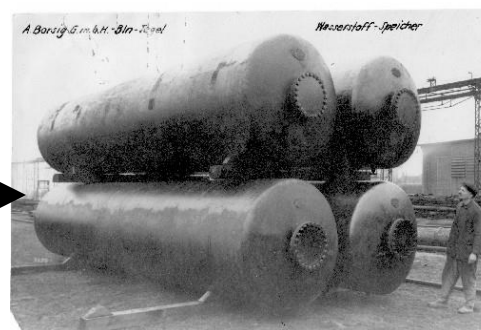
direct



Short time Storage



Methan synthesis
 $3\text{H}_2 + \text{CO}_2 \rightarrow \text{CH}_4 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$

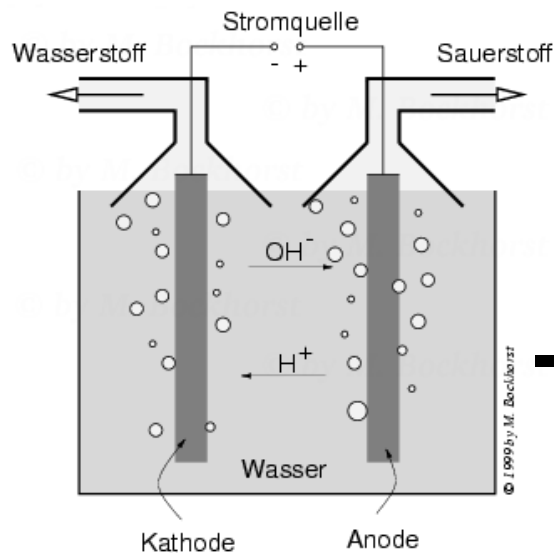


H₂-Storage

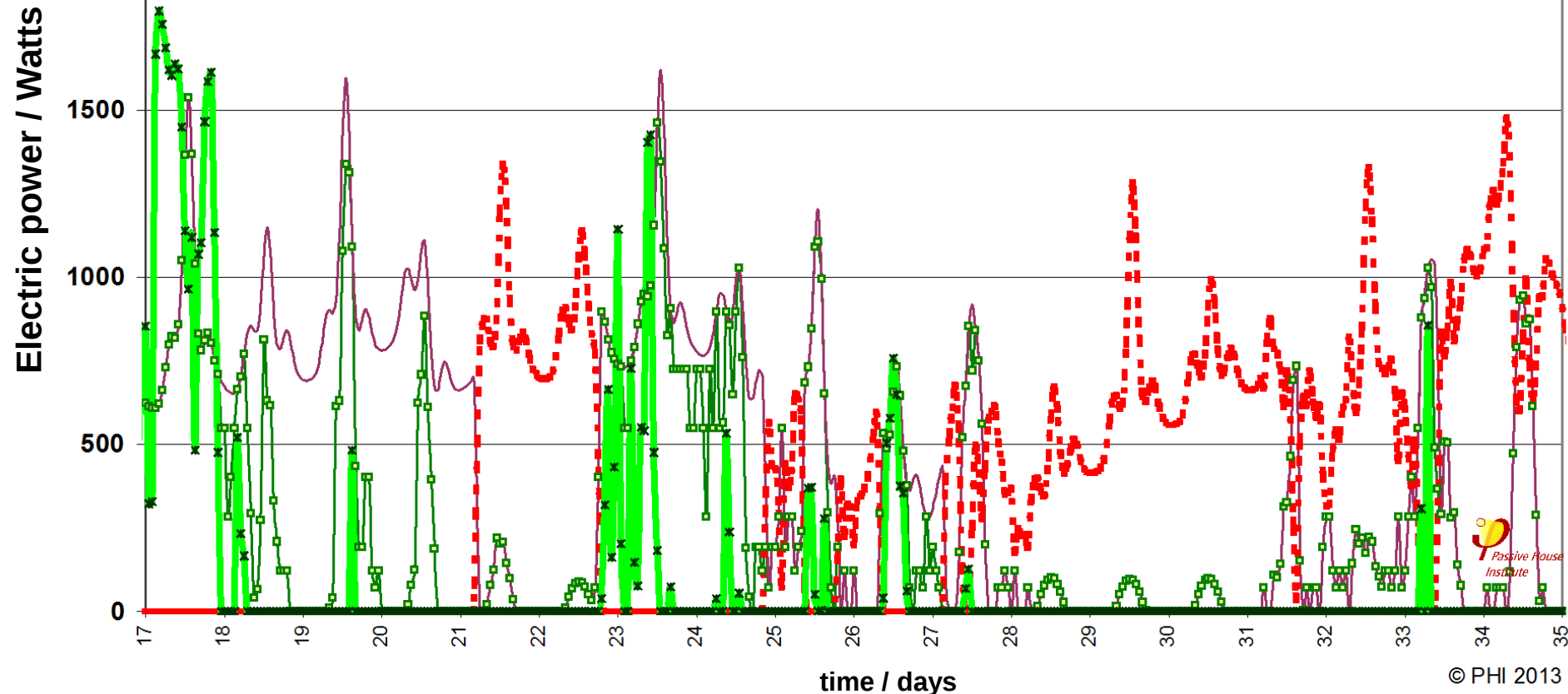
Primary EI

Seasonal Storage

Elektrolyse von Wasser



Total electricity consumption: household, dhw, heating



Domestic electricity: total delivery by Primary Electricity (circles), from short time storage (violet) and seasonal storage using RES-Methan, (red dotted). &Energy for storage (light green)

Primary Energy Renewable PER

Will be dependent on the application – especially the time-development of the requirements

$$\text{PER} = \frac{E_{\text{dir}} + E_{\text{MS}} / \eta_{\text{MS}} + E_{\text{SS}} / \eta_{\text{SS}} + E_{\text{DL}}}{E_{\text{dir}} + E_{\text{MS}} + E_{\text{SS}}}$$

E_{dir} in time directly generated electricity by RES

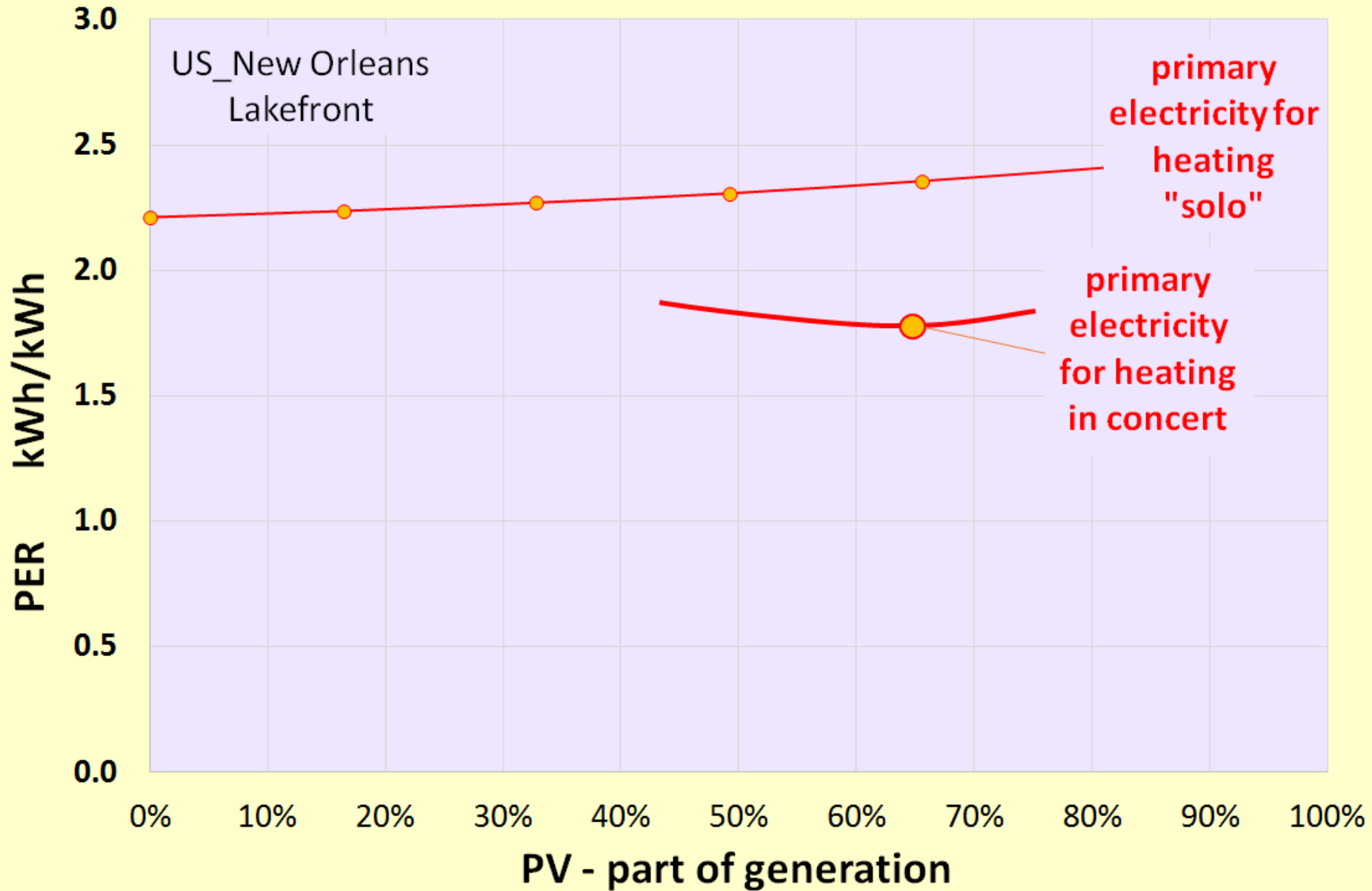
E_{MS} electricity from short/medium time storage

E_{SS} electricity generated from energy in seasonal storage

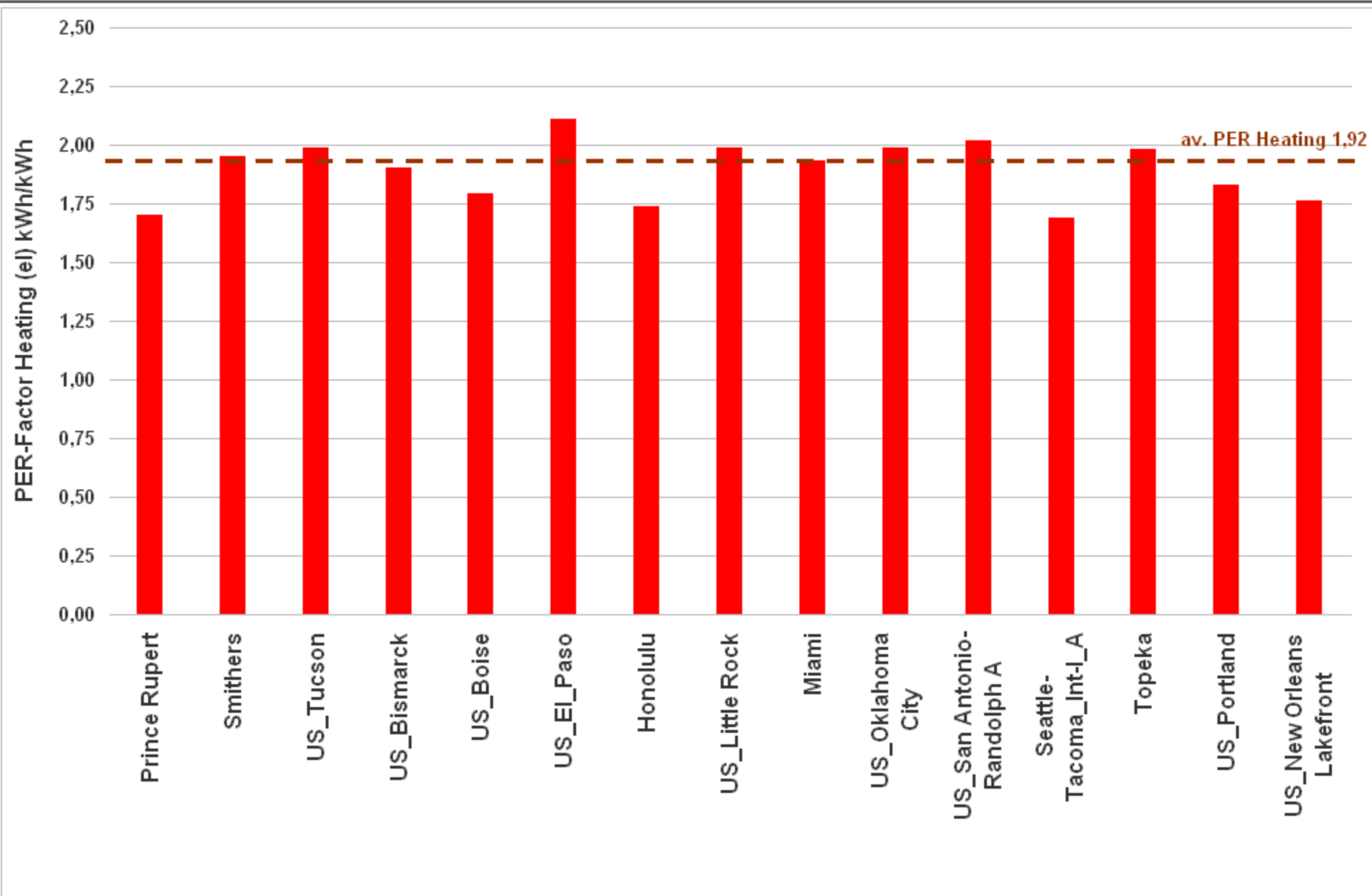
E_{DL} distribution and other losses

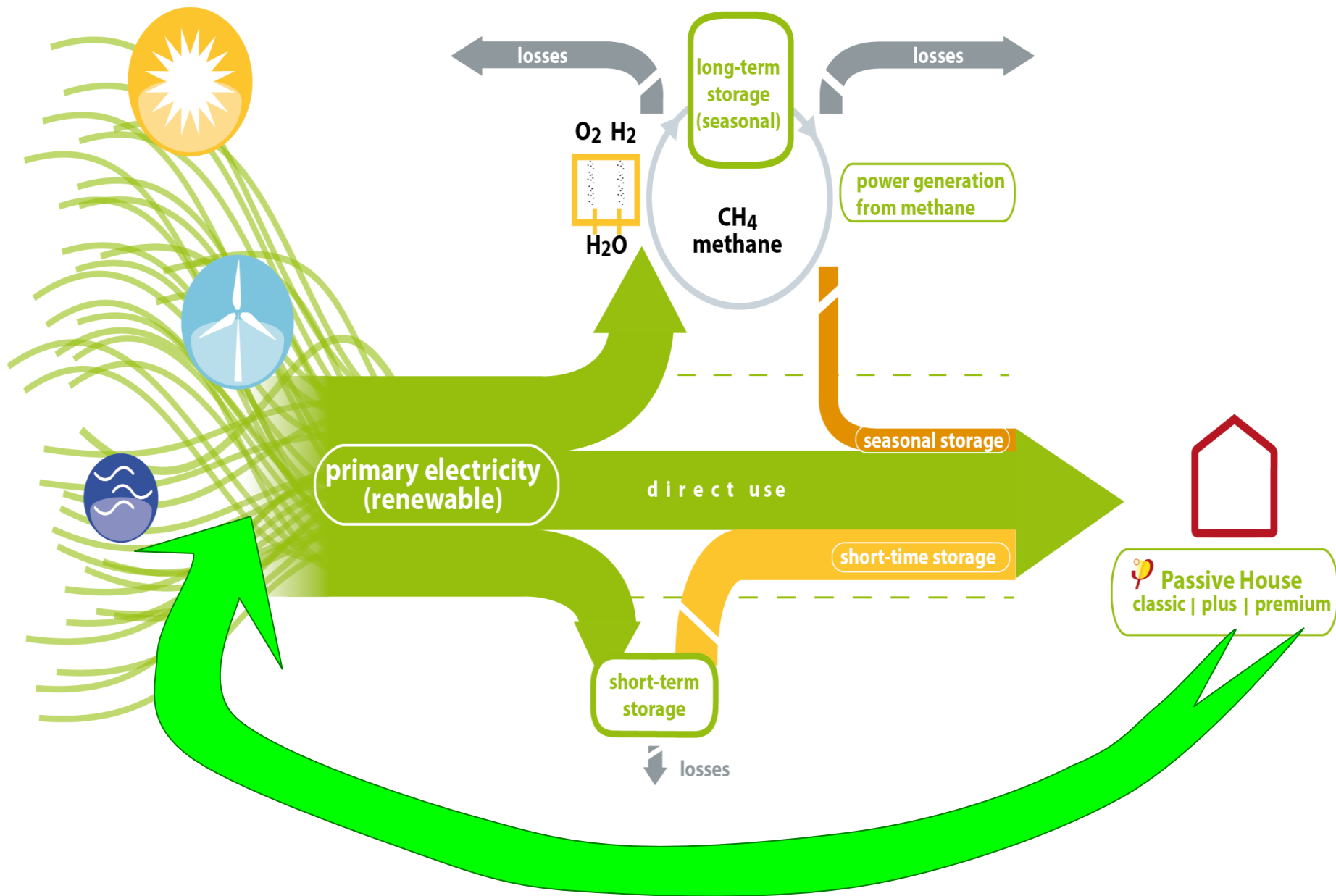
η_{MS} and η_{SS} efficiencies of storage processes (whole chain)

Primary Energy Renewable for Heating PER



Primary Energy Renewable for Heating PER US





Primary Energy Renewable PER

PER			
Application	Final Energy	PER	A _{PV}
Appliances, light,..	electricity	1.25	23
dhw (via heatpump)	electricity	1.19	4
heating by heatpump	electricity	1.76	4
cooling (el. comp)	electricity	1	3 + 3
heating (gas boiler)	RES-Methan	1.75	Equivalent PV-aerea / m ² per dwelling (sum 37)
heating (gas boiler)	Bio-gas (Bugdet 20 kWh/m ²)	1.1	
District heating	CHP 90%	1.1	
District heating	CHP 70%	1.5	
Site: New Orleans / preliminary results / will be further developed to regional figures			

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The new Passive House Classes

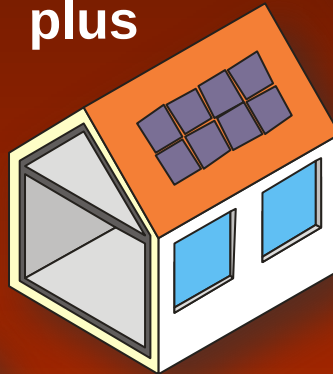


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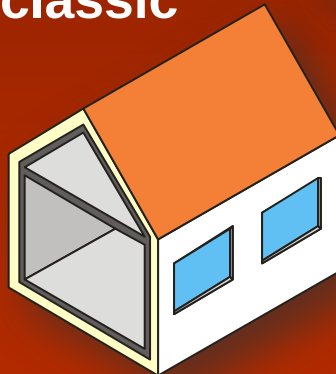
Energy generation
[kWh_{PER}/(m²_{ground}*a)]

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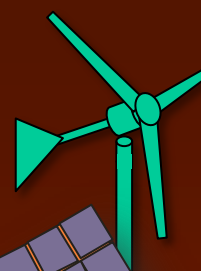
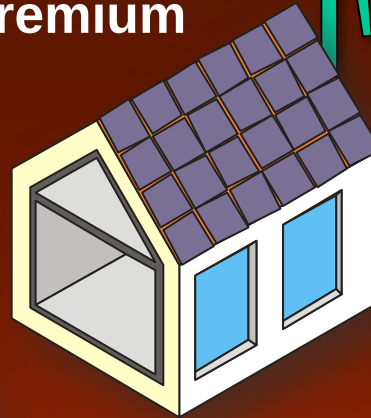
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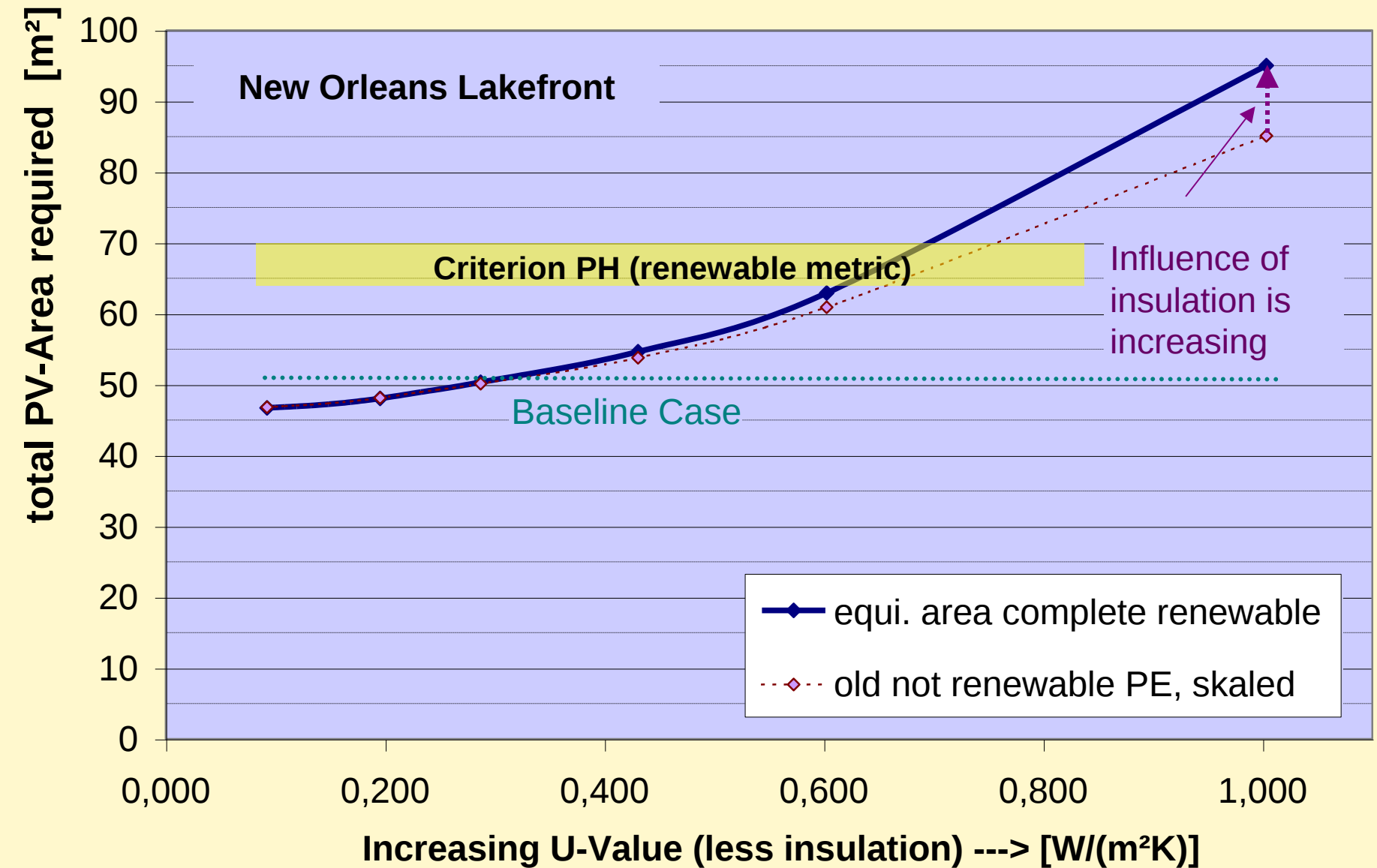
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Energy demand
[kWh_{PER}/(m²_{tfa}*a)]

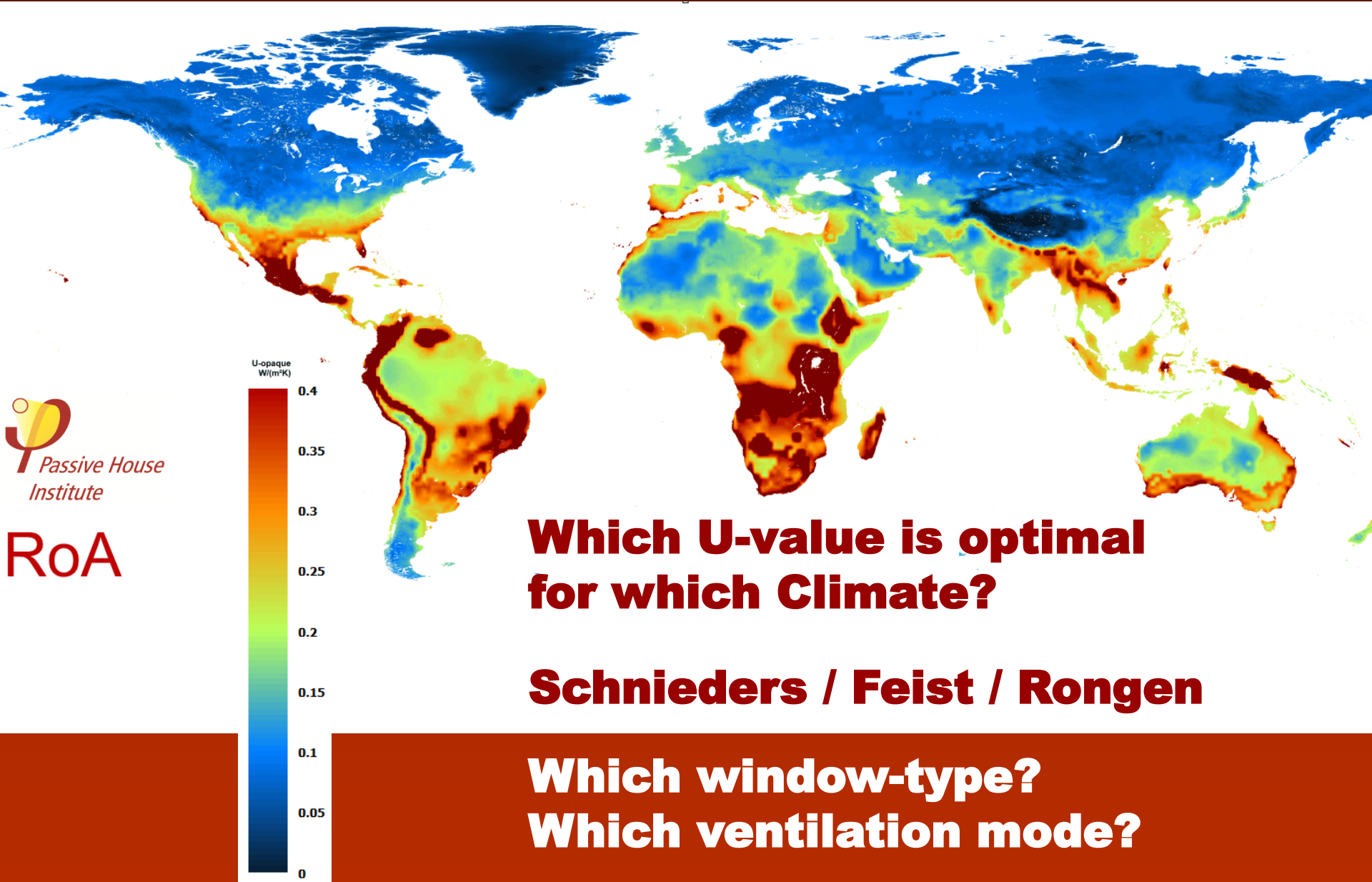
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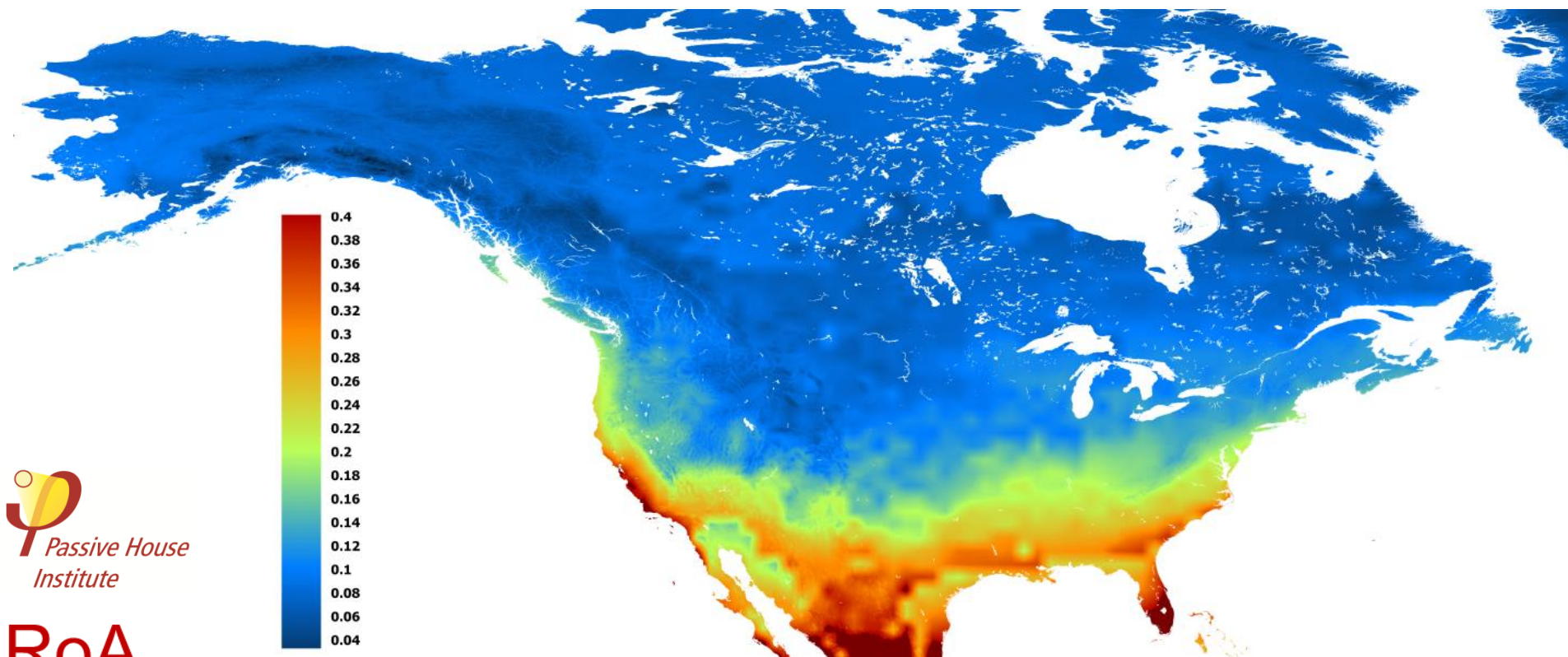
Primary Energy Renewable for everything



Climate – Climatic Conditions



Climatic Conditions



**Which U-value is optimal
for which Climate?**

Schnieders / Feist / Rongen

Which window-type?

Which ventilation mode?

Passive Houses around the globe



International

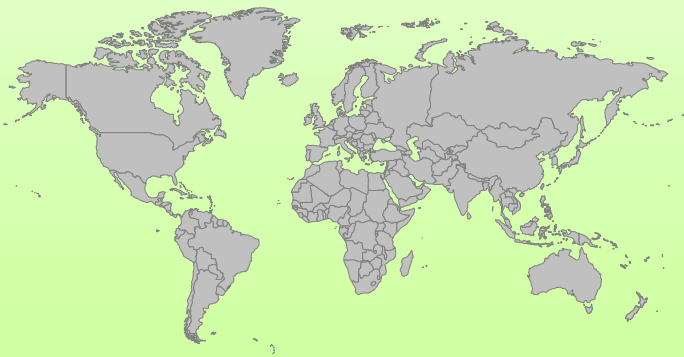
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Was ist ein Passivhaus?	Das 1. Passivhaus	Energieeffizienz = Energiequelle	Energiebilanz	Behaglicher Sommer	Es ist wirtschaftlich!
			PHPP 2007		

Part 1: general information for the public

Part 2: information and tools for members

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