

## MATLAB Expo 2017

# Building and HVAC Simulation in MATLAB/Simulink – FFG Project SaLüH!

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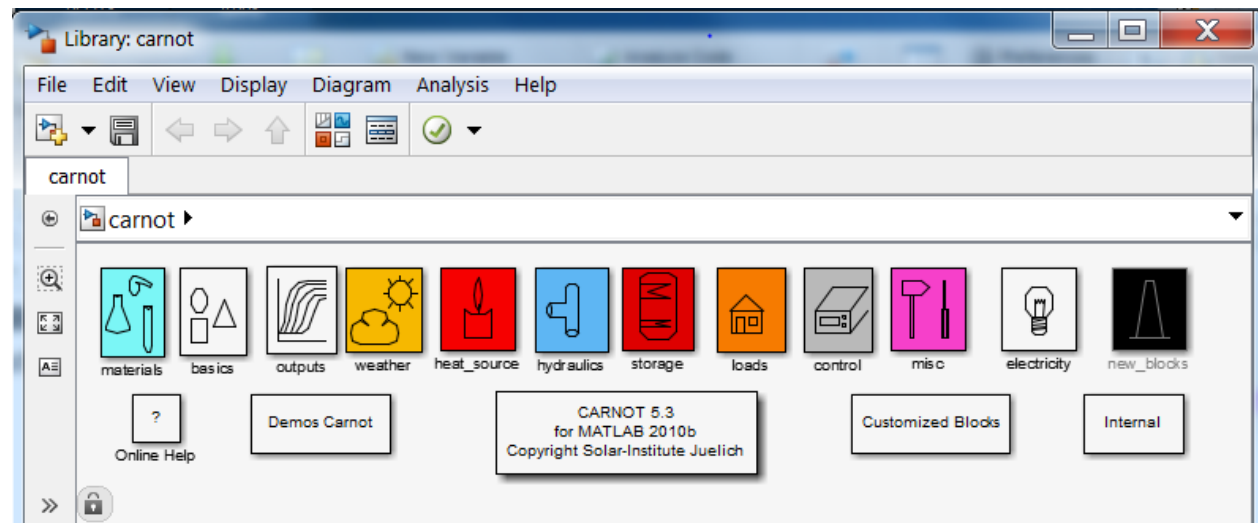
## Building and HVAC Simulation in MATLAB/Simulink

- Thermolib
- Hambase/Hamlab (van Schindel TUE) + Comsol
- Simbad (CSTB)
- International Building Physics Toolbox [www.ibpt.org](http://www.ibpt.org)
- **Carnot Toolbox**
- ...

## Simulink, Carnot Blockset

### User/Developer (next User Meeting Feb. 2018)

- Companies such as Vaillant, Viessmann
- SIJ, FH Aachen
- FHNW, HS Rapperswil
- FH Ingolstadt
- RWTH Aachen
- Uni Bayreuth
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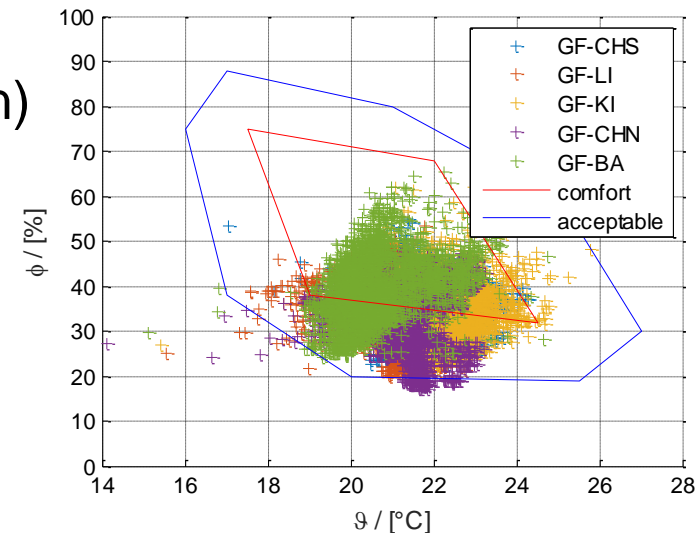


## Scope of Building and HVAC Simulation

Investigation of

- Thermal Comfort (operative temperature  $\vartheta_{op}$ , relative humidity)
- Indoor Air Quality (IAQ): CO<sub>2</sub>, VOC, PM, etc.
- Visual Comfort / glare protection (in non-residential buildings)

- Building Performance - Heating Demand (HD), Cooling Demand (CD), Heating Load (HL), Cooling Load (CL)
- System Performance (+ Control Optimization)
- (On-site) use of Renewables, load matching
- Primary Energy Savings / Reduction of CO<sub>2</sub>-emission
- Economic Analysis (LCC)



# Renovation of small Flats with decentral Ventilation and Heating System and DHW Heat Pump (FFG Project)



## SaLüH!

Sanierungsansätze für Lüftung,  
Heizung und Warmwasser

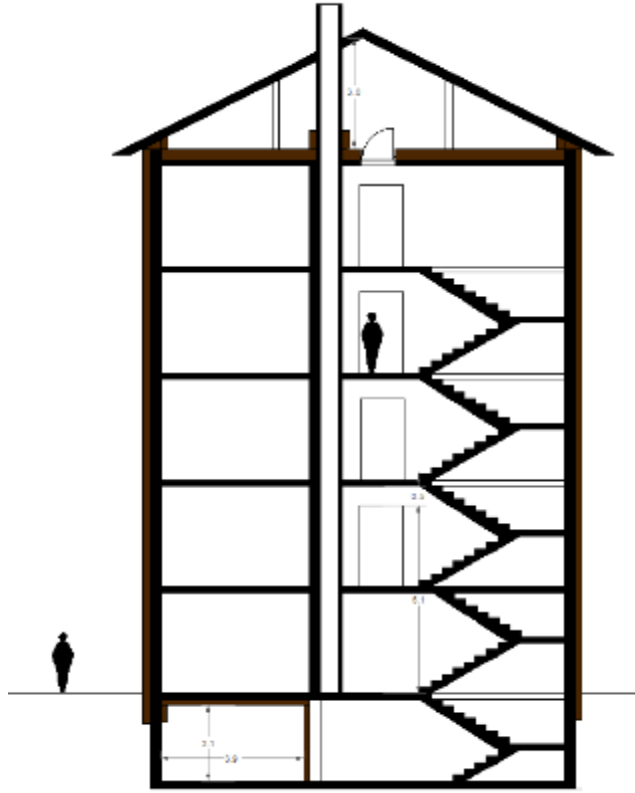
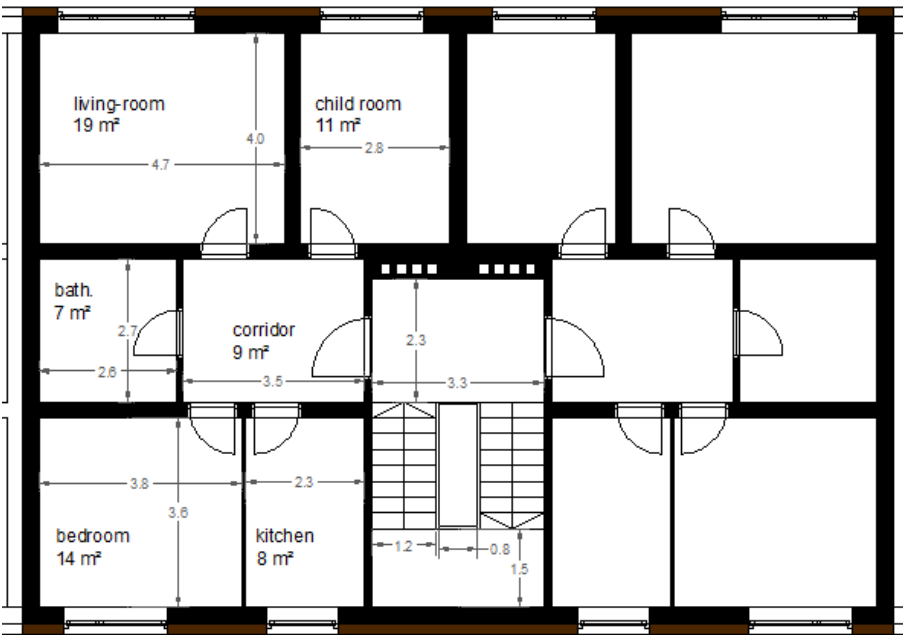
- Most buildings are poor energy performance buildings
- Renovation plays a key role in achieving required reduction of CO<sub>2</sub>-emissions
- Envelope solutions are available (insulation, windows, etc.)
- Renovations in MFHs are frequently done flat-wise
- Non-disruptive solutions for renovation the HVAC system are required
- Heat Pumps represent an alternative to electric heating and DHW preparation (in case gas or district heat not applicable)



# Example of a small flat in a typical Multi Family House (MFH)

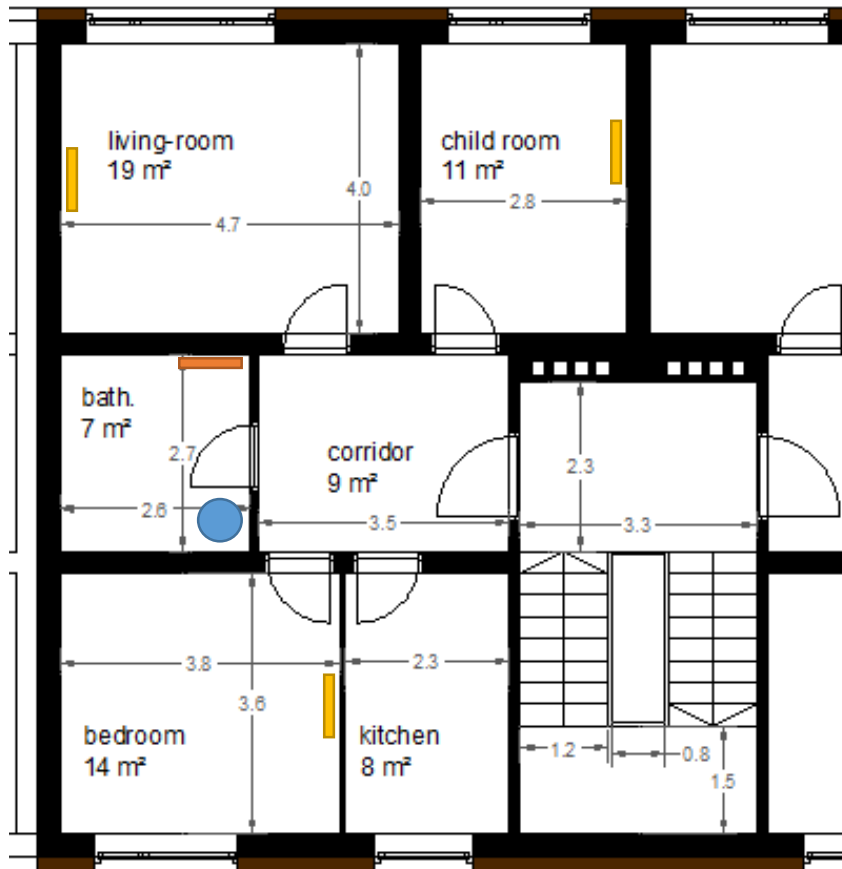


## Floor Plan and Section



3 rooms, kitchen, bathroom, ca. 70 sqm

## Example of a small flat in a Multi Family House (MFH)



- Flat-wise Renovation
- Frequently no heat emission system
- No space for technical installations
- As a consequence:  
Frequently electric heating and  
DHW preparation



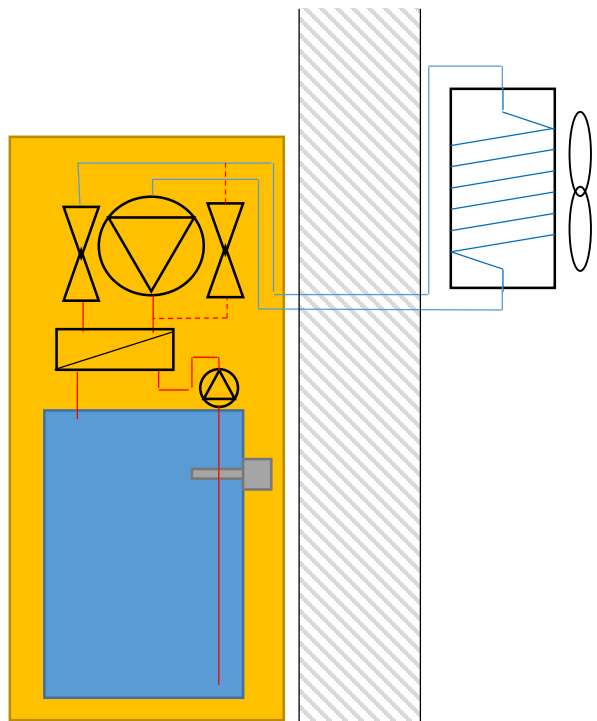
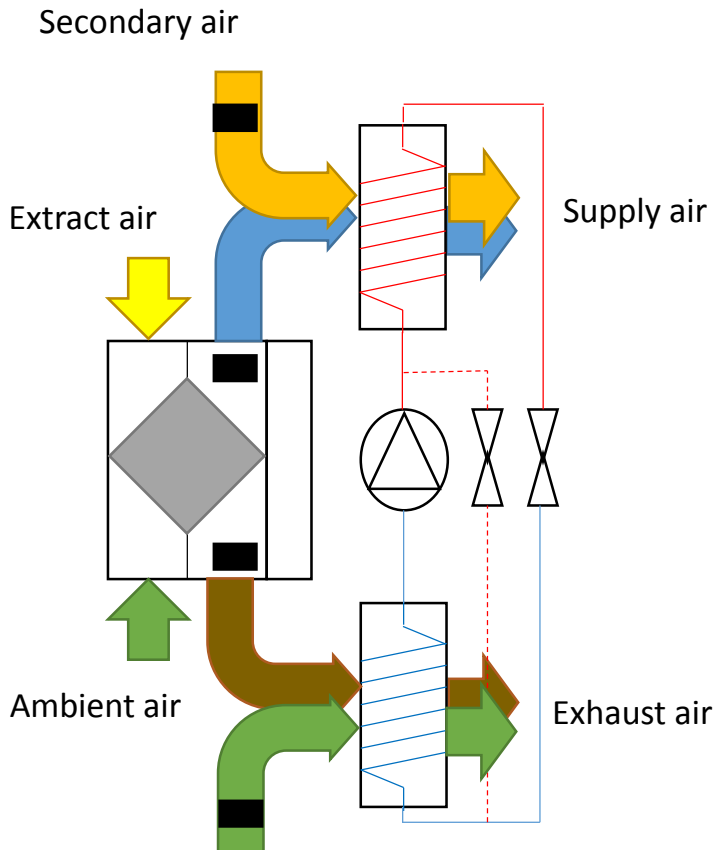
# Compact Heat Pumps for Renovation

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### Exhaust Air Heat Pump with ERV



Compact DHW Heat Pump with optionally facade integrated modular storage



## „XL“ compact units for „large“ PH



*Effiziento HTZ 4*



*VP 18 Compact von Nilan*



*x2 von drexel und weiss*



*Zehnder ComfoBox*



*LWZ 304 SOL von Stiebel Eltron*



*AEREX BW 175*

**Not applicable in small flats!**

Markus Meyer, Kompakt und komfortabel Lüftungs-  
kompaktanlagen und Alternativen für das Passivhaus

## Mini-Split / Multi-Split

### Example of Mini-Split Systems



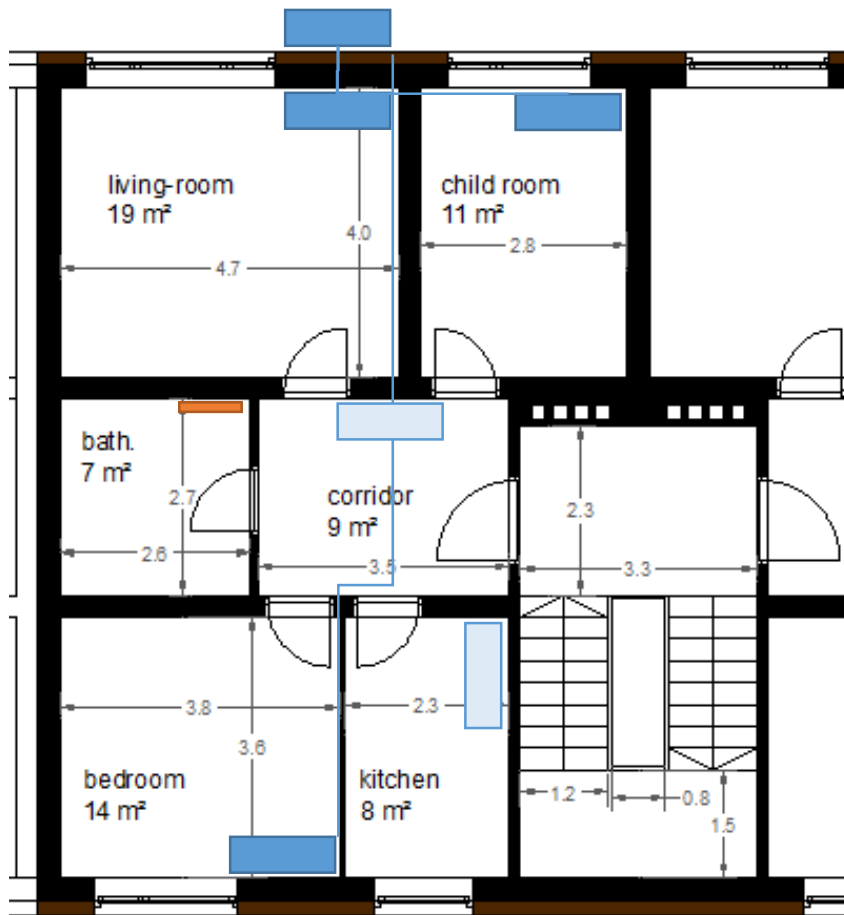
<http://www.mitsubishicomfort.com/>

<http://www.toshiba-klima.de/>

## Single Split / Multi Split

- Heating and cooling with one device
- Various indoor unit designs
- Rel. good performance (SCOP > 3)
- Heating capacity from 2.5 to 12 kW
- Flexible design
- Rel. high cost for multi-split
- Challenging heat distribution for single split
- in combination with radiant heater

## Multi-Split Unit

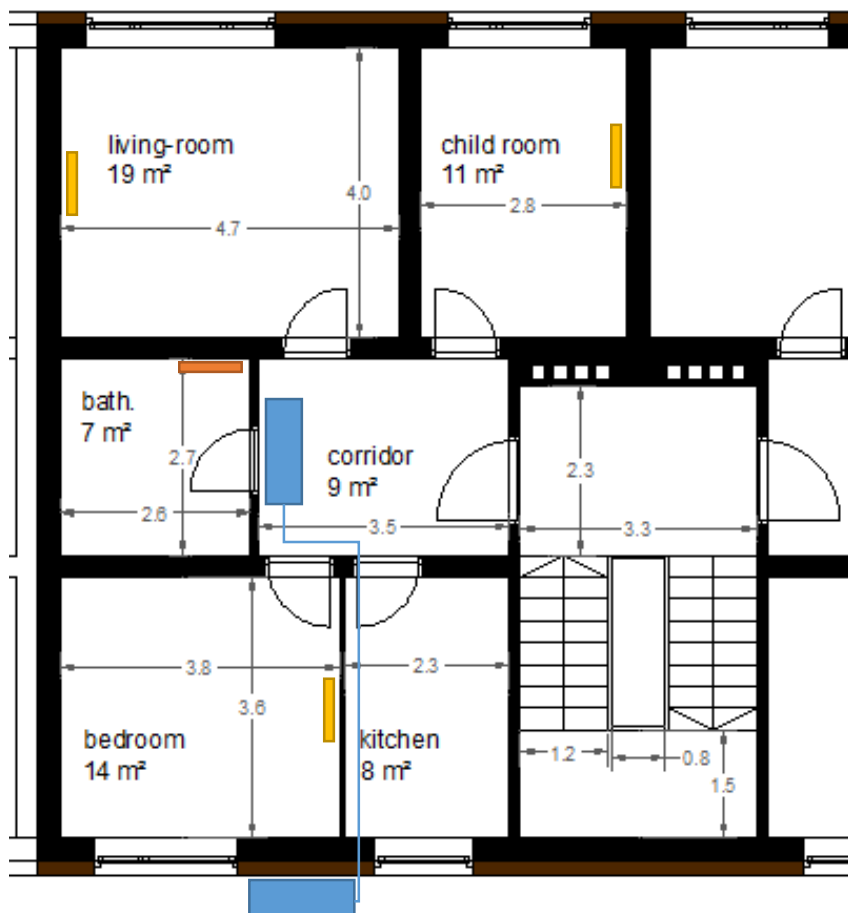


Multi-Splits:  
 several indoor and one outdoor unit:  
 + Individual temperature control  
 - Performance  
 - rel. high cost

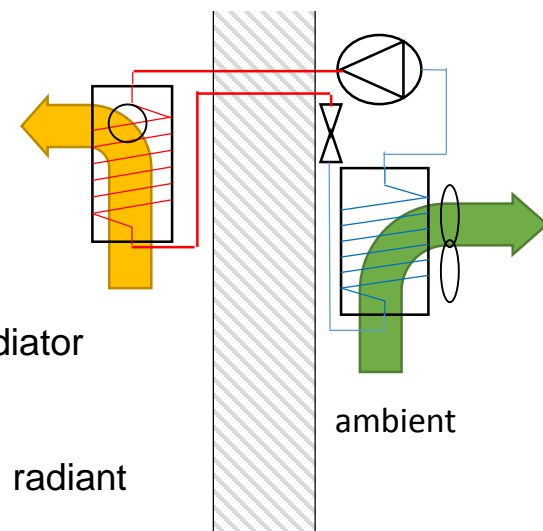
additional bathroom radiator  
 (towel dryer, convector, radiant heater)  
*MVHR not depicted*

VRF for simultaneous heating and cooling  
 (heat recovery)

## Heating with single Split Unit (Overheating of Corridor)

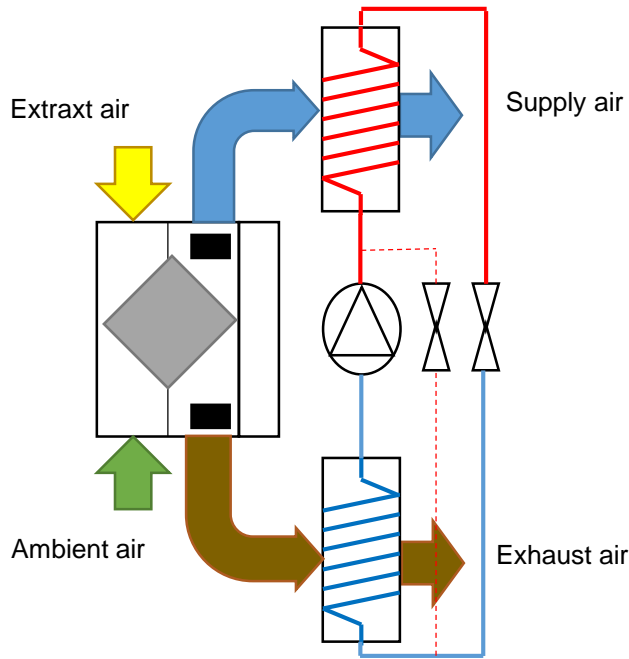


- Mini-Split
- with radiant heater
- + low sound emissions outside
- + Individual room control
- Performance (electric heating)



additional bathroom radiator  
 Electric post heater for  
 individual room control  
 (towel dryer, convector, radiant  
 heater)  
*MVHR not depicted*

# Compact Systems for Façade Integration



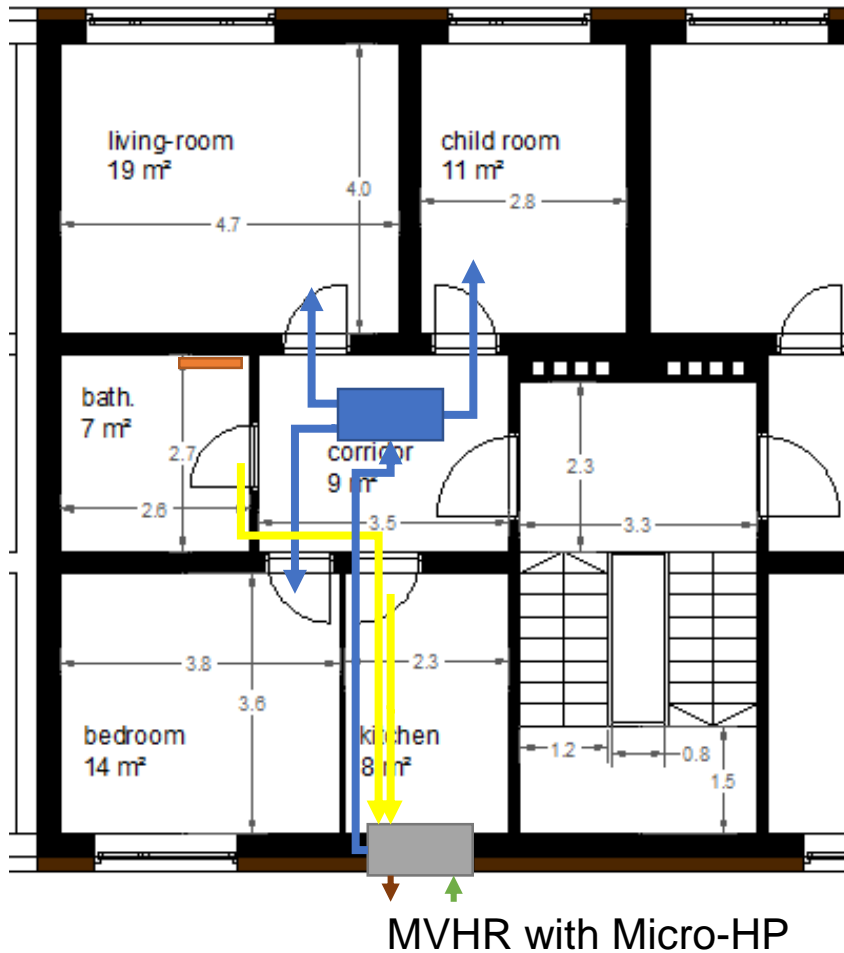
MVHR with exhaust air heat pump (with hot gas bypass for deicing)

Functional Model and ...

...iNSPiRe Demo-Building, Ludwigsburg (WB-L, G+M)

*EU-project iNSPiRe (fp7)*

## Supply Air Heat Pump (façade integrated) with radiant heater

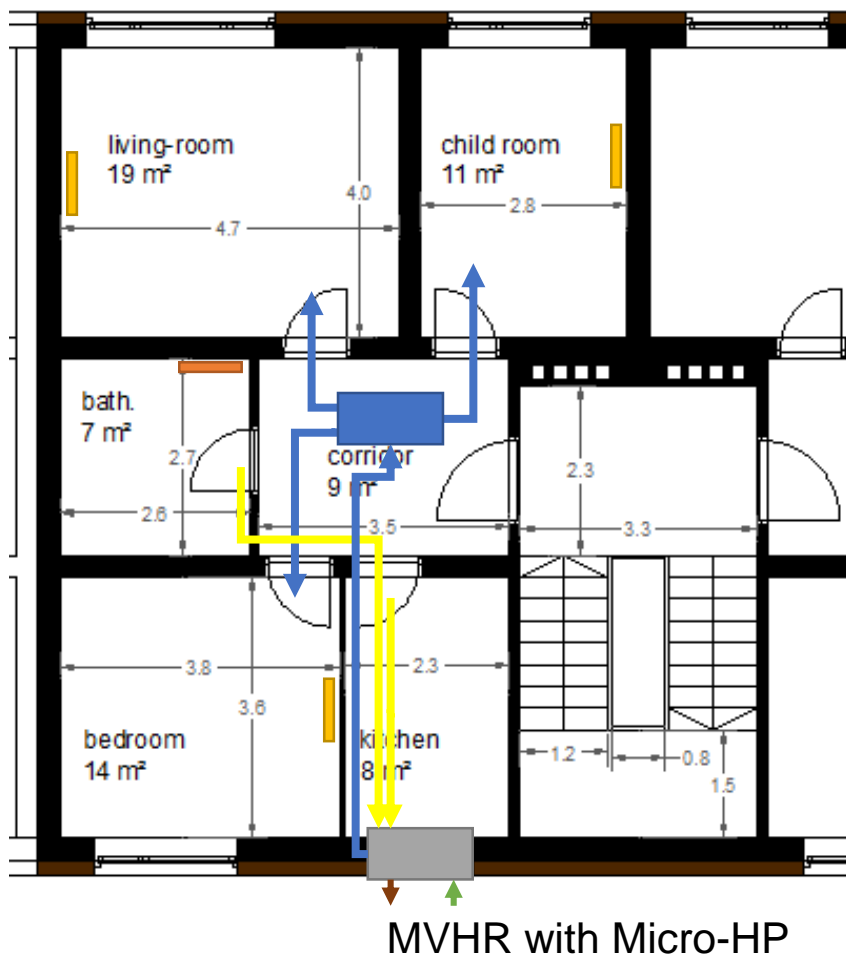


Supply air heating (with MVHR)  
for PH

- + Rel. low costs
- No individual room control
- Performance

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(towel dryer, convector, radiant heater)

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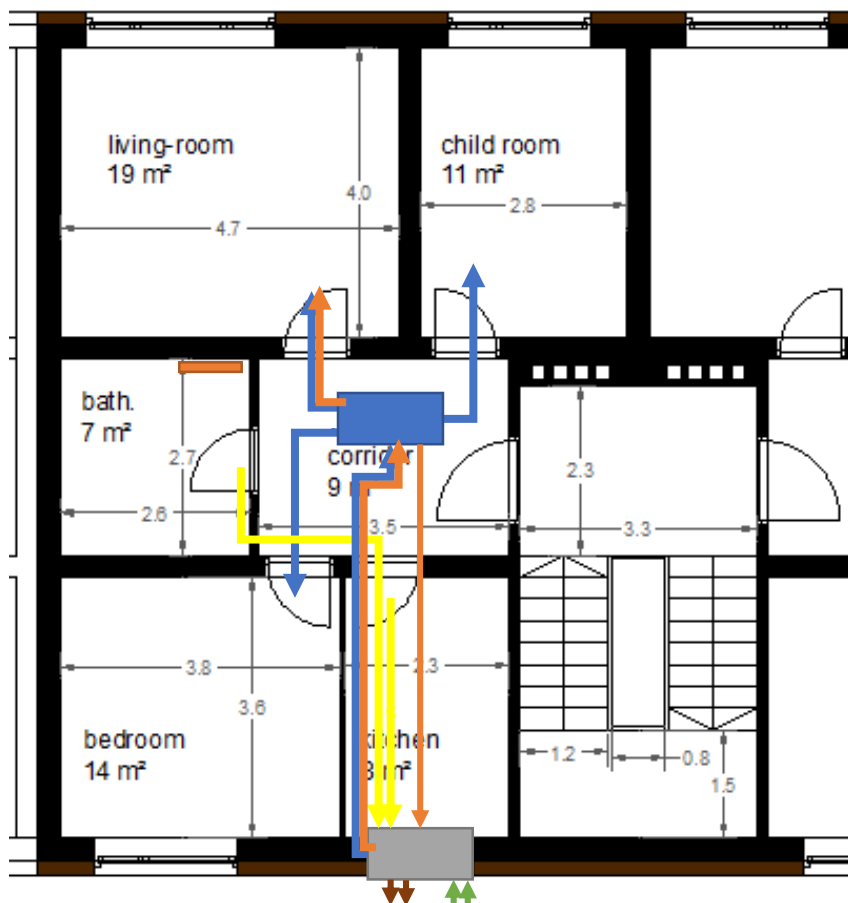
Supply air heating (with MVHR)

- + Higher heating power (EnerPhit)
- + Individual room control
- Higher costs
- Lower performance (electric heating)

additional bathroom radiator  
(towel dryer, convector, radiant heater)



# Supply Air Heat Pump with recirculation



MVHR with Micro-HP with additional ambient air

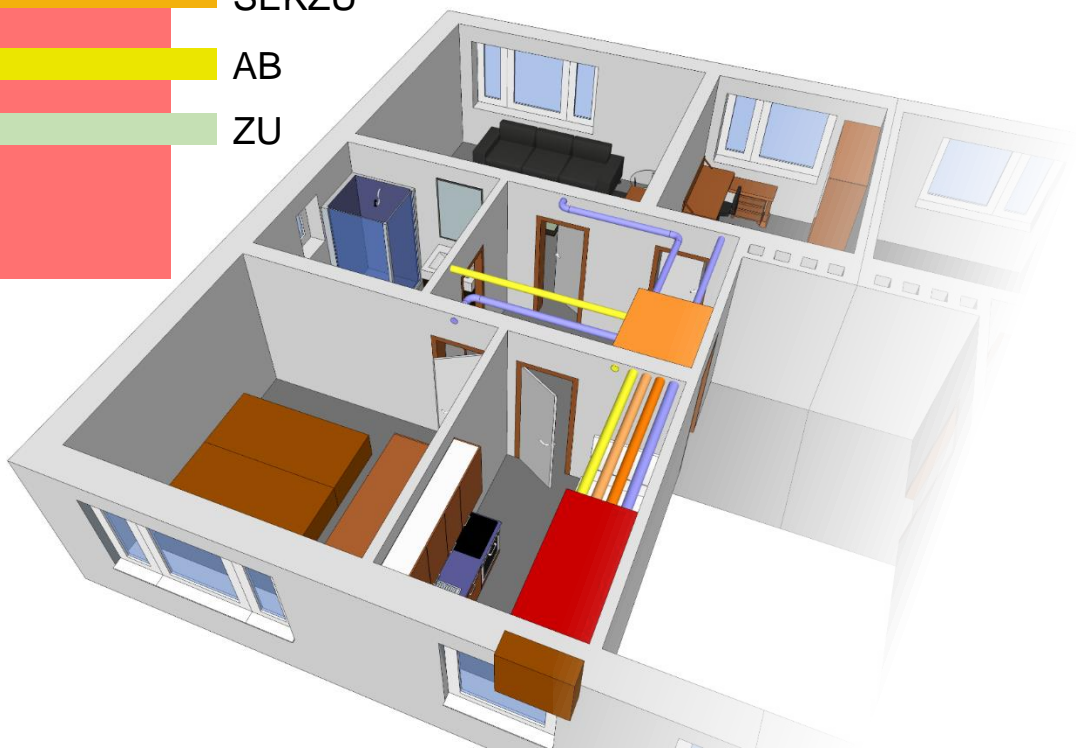
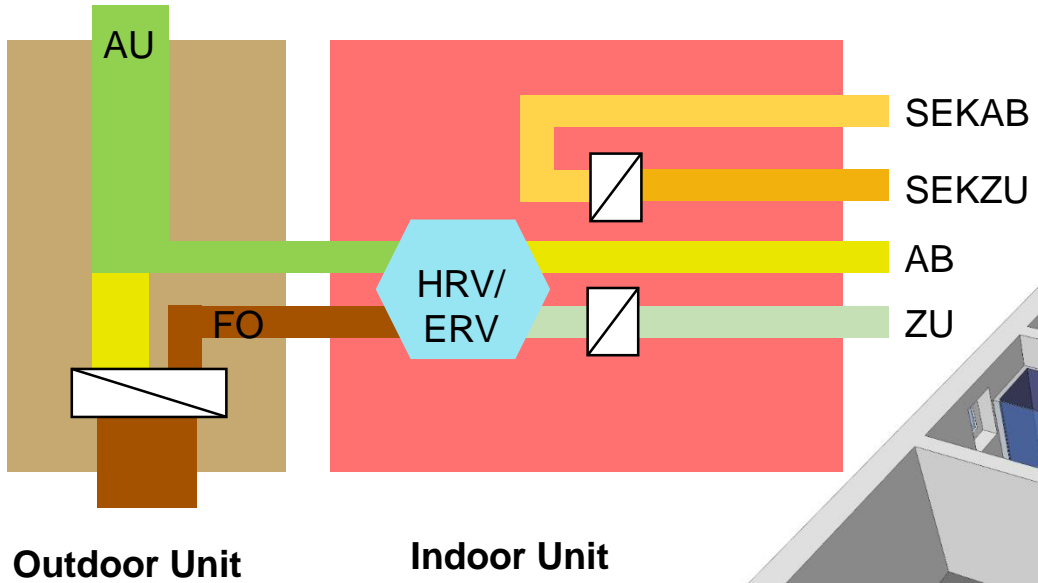
Supply air heating (with MVHR)  
for **EnerPHit**

+ higher heating power (EnerPHit)  
- Higher installation effort (ducts)

additional bathroom radiator  
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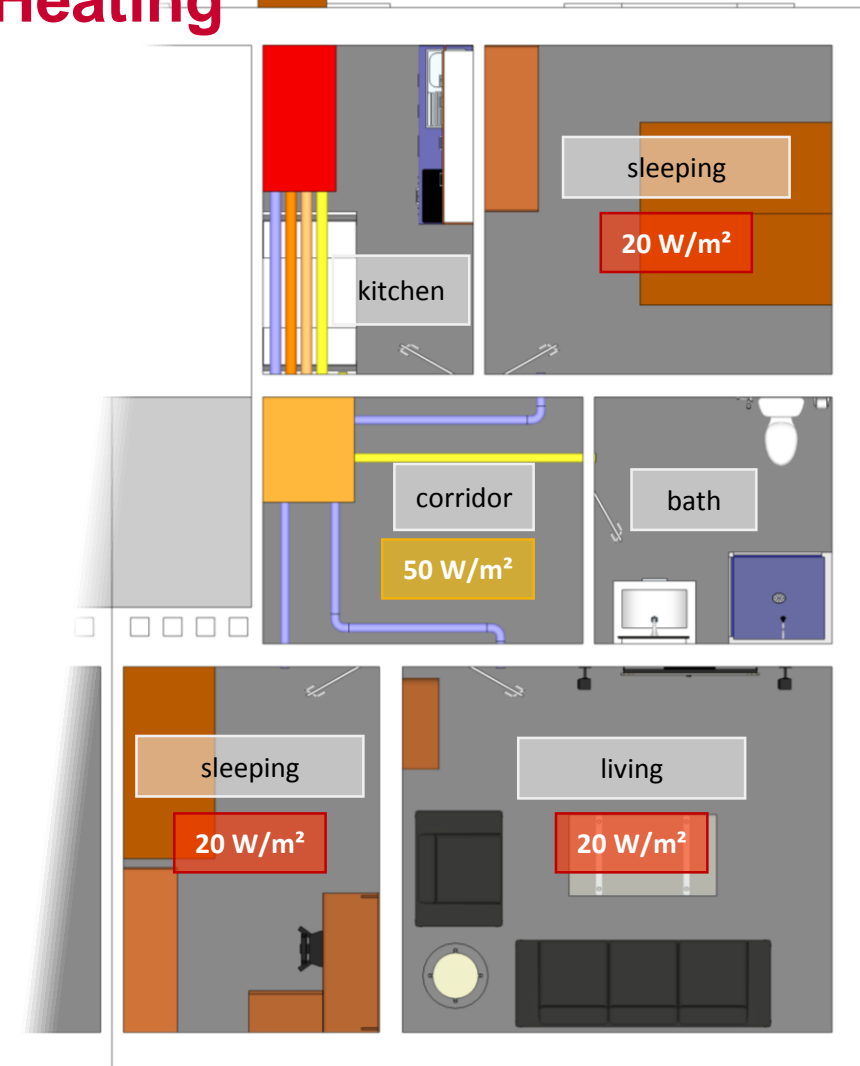


# Concept of Ventilation and Heating System



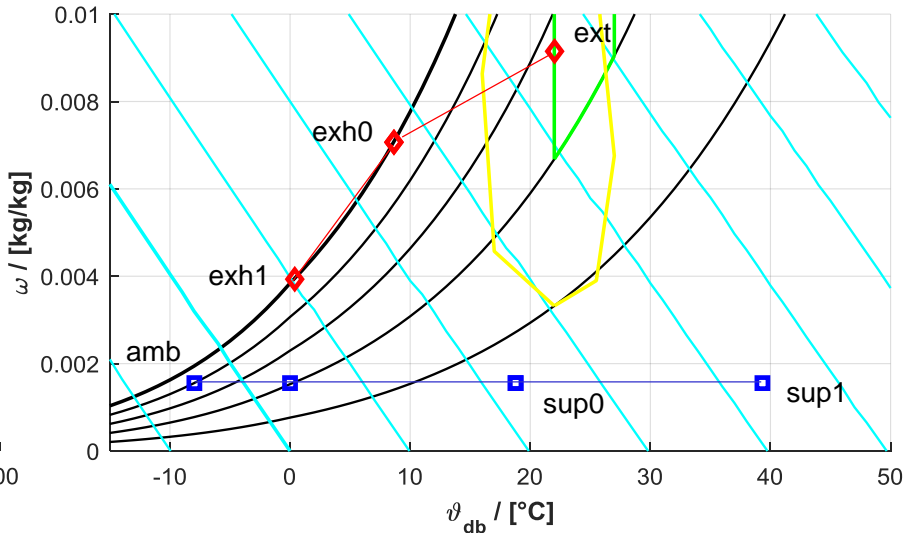
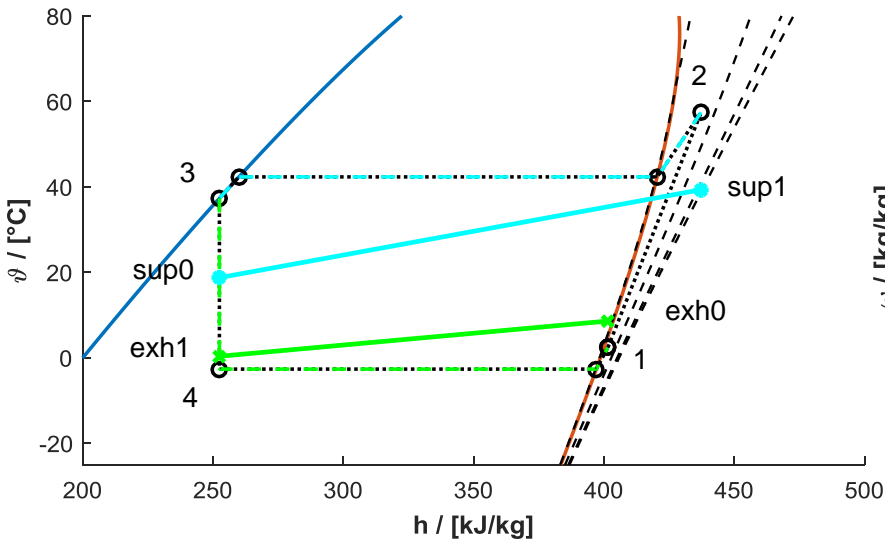
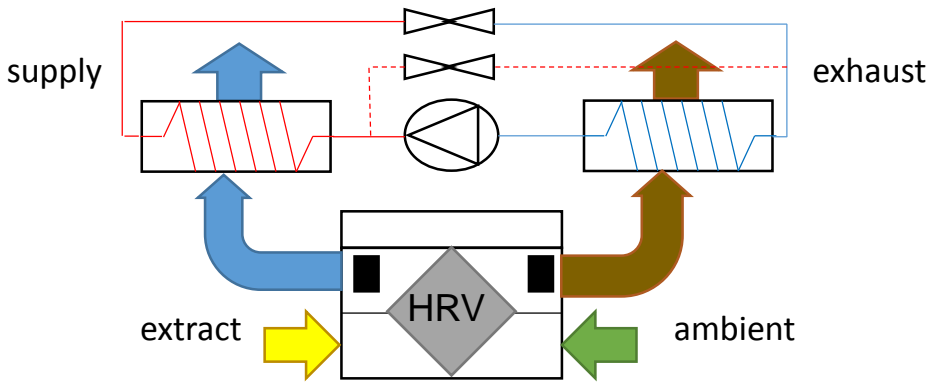
## Heating Load and Supply Air Heating

- Maximum heating load with supply air heating per room:  $20 \text{ W/m}^2$ 
  - Heating load only via supply air rooms
  - Hygienic flow rate!
- Maximum heating load with recirculation air:  $> 50 \text{ W/m}^2$ 
  - Overheating: approx.  $1 \text{ K}$





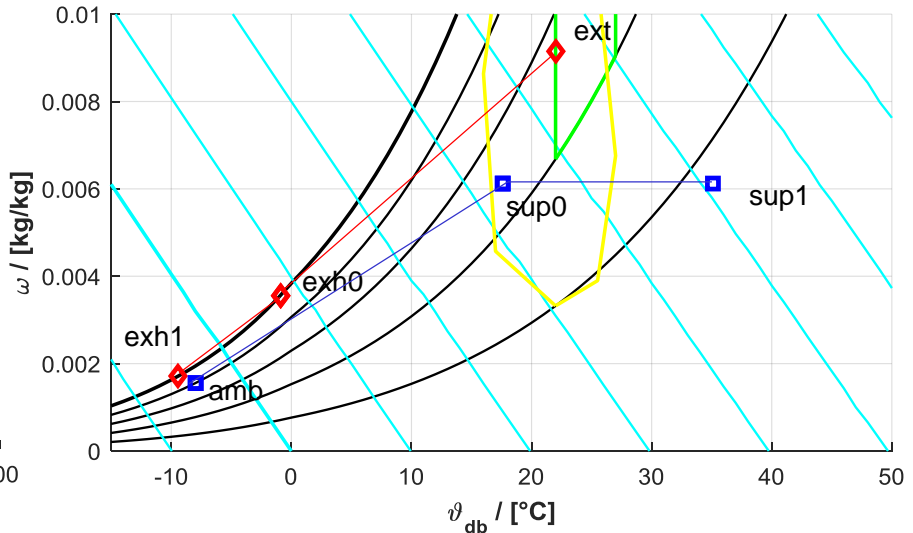
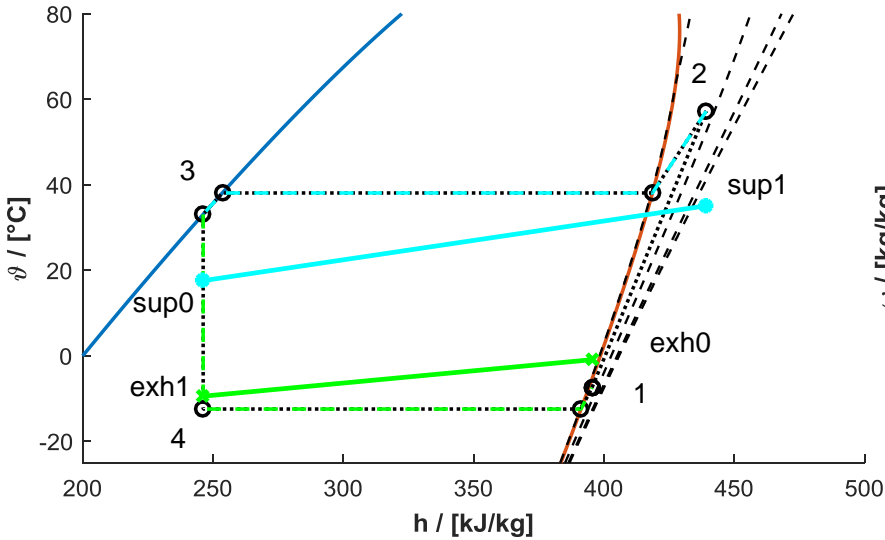
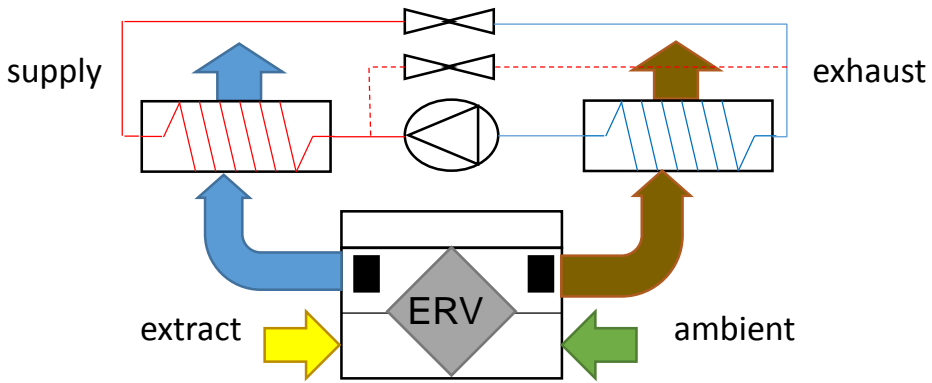
# Temperature-Enthalpy Diagram and Psychrometric Chart – HRV



Simulation of refrigerant cycle and moist air properties with MATLAB and CoolProp



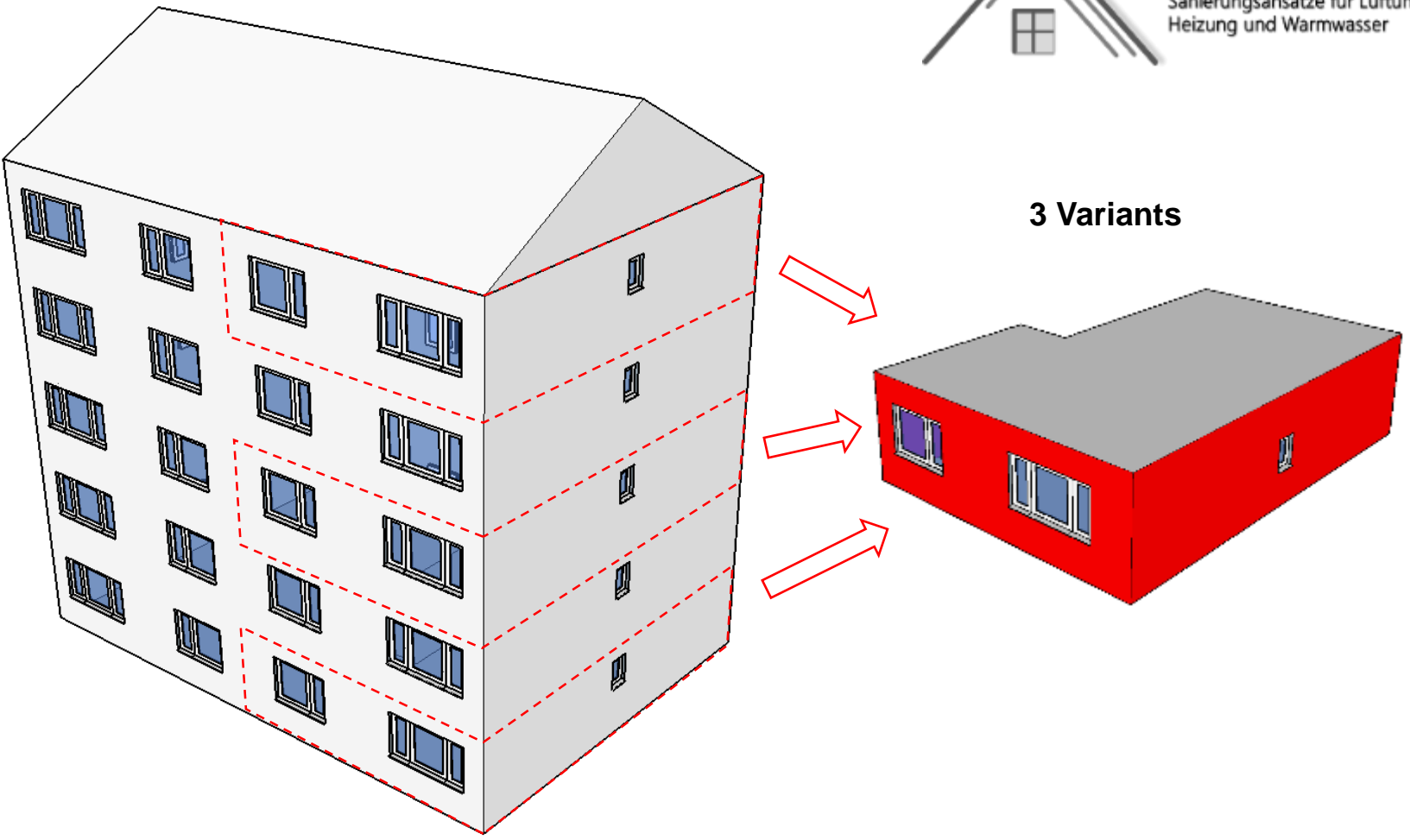
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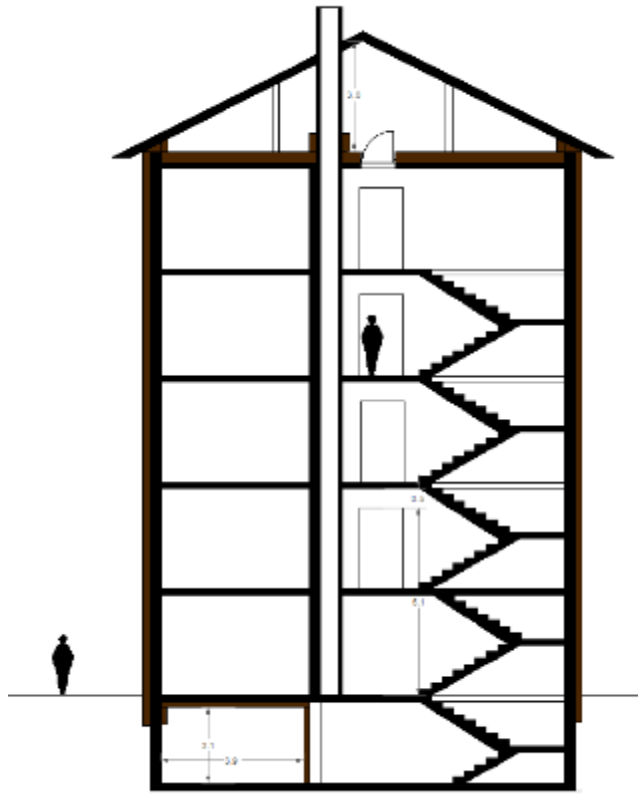
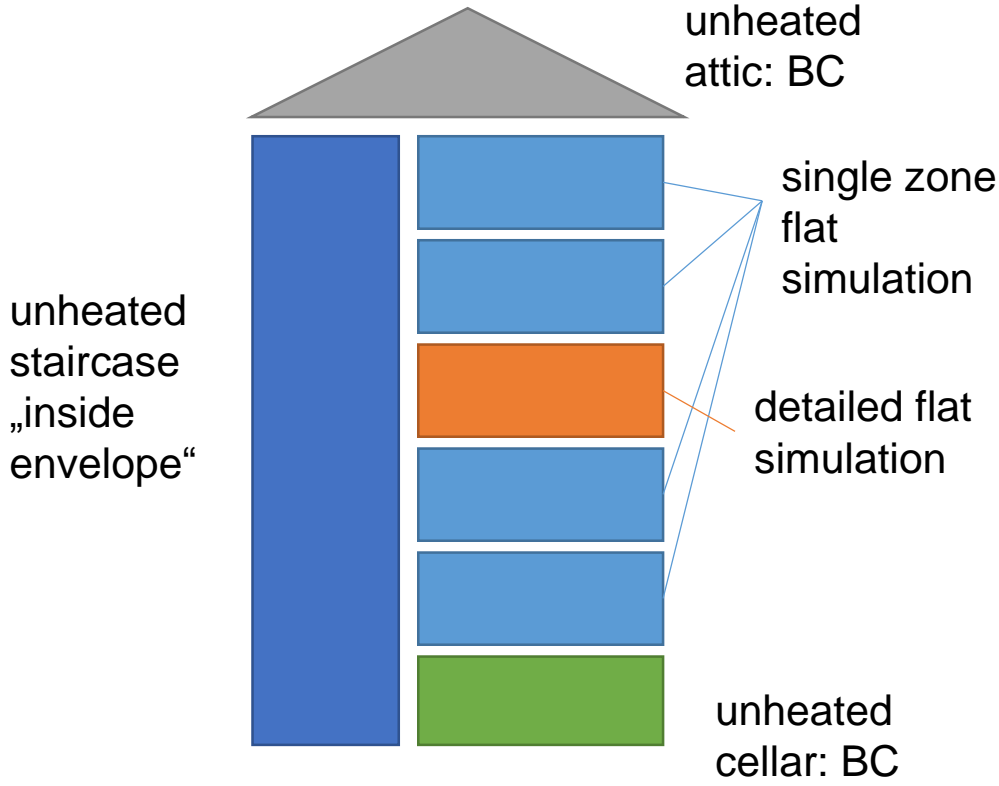


# Example: Reference Building/Flat – Project SaLÜH!



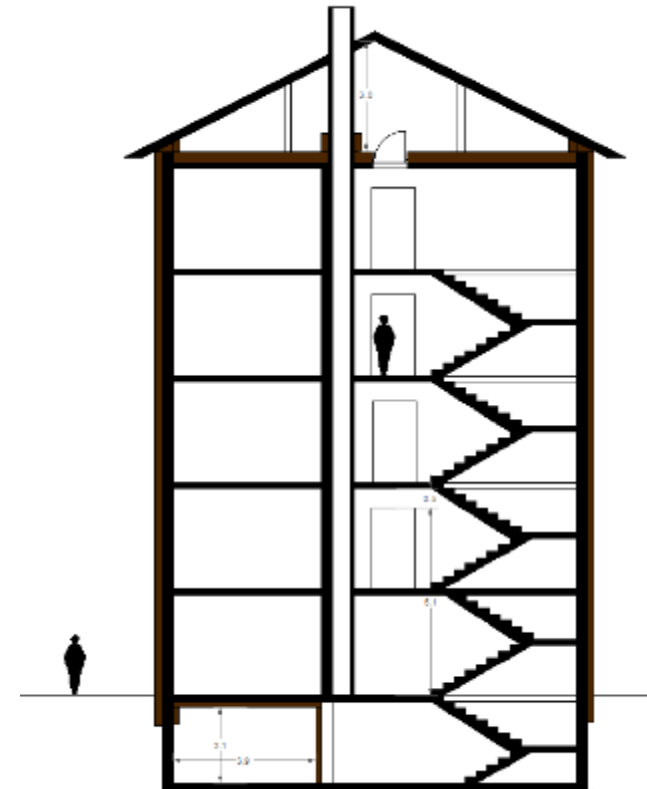
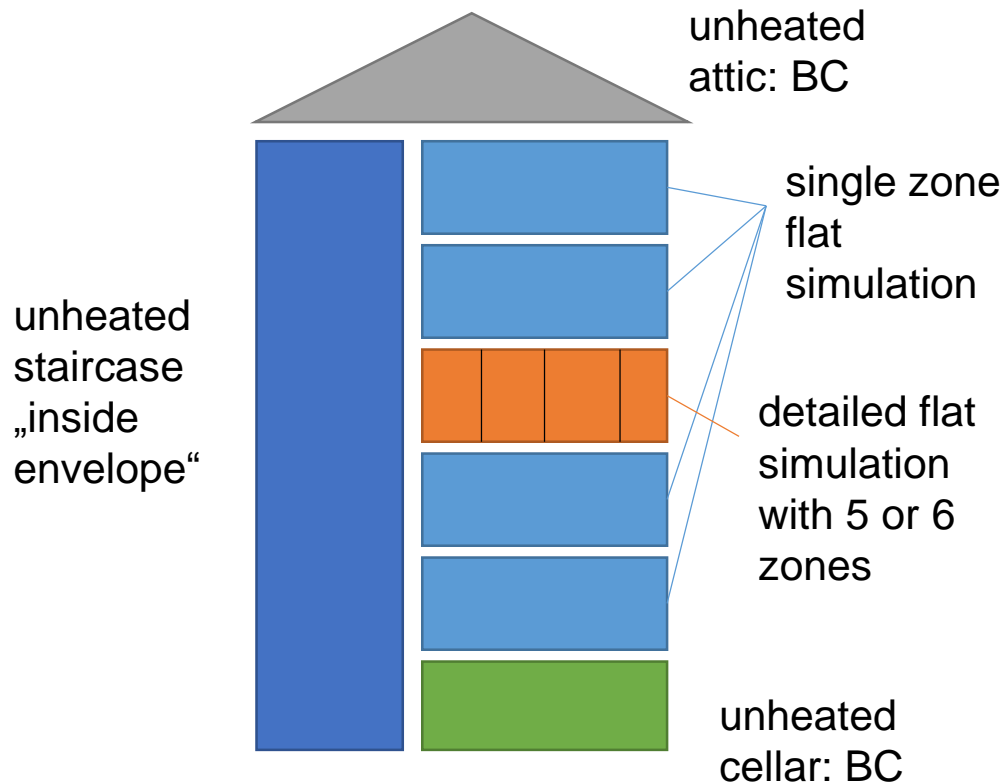


# Zoning - Section and simplified scheme



⇒ 2, 3 or more zones

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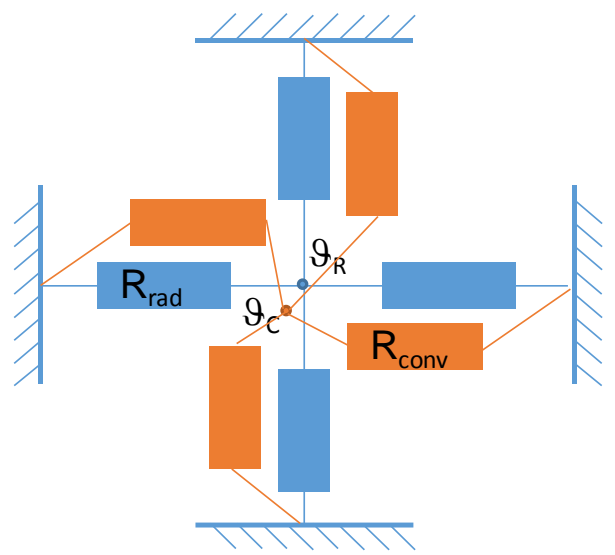
⇒ 5 or 6 zones for flat + 1 or 2 zone for building



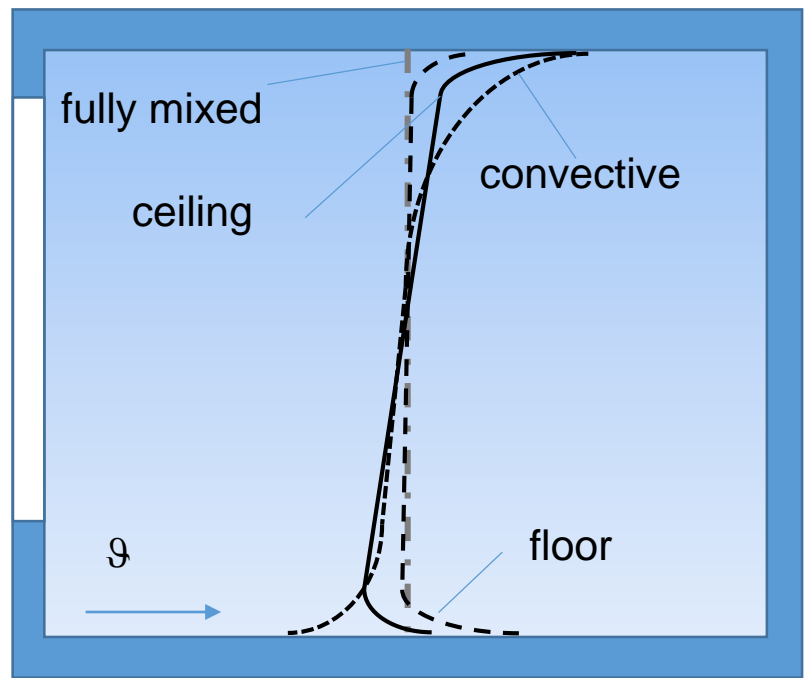
# Building Model Physics – Performance and Accuracy

- **Model Physics (Radiation)**
  - Two-Star
  - Star-Node
  - Radiosity (physics)
- **Model Physics (Convection)**
  - Ideally mixed
  - Stratified
  - CFD
- **Model Physics (Transmission)**
  - Transfer Function
  - R-C wall
  - 2D/3D (FD or FE)
- Model Physics (Window)
- **Humidity**
  - Hygrothermal wall
  - Moisture Buffer
- **Air Quality**
  - CO<sub>2</sub>
  - VOC
- Heat Emission Model
  - Radiator
  - Radiant Ceiling/Floor
  - Fan Coil)
- **HVAC**
  - Look up Table
  - Black Box Model
  - Physical Model

# Model Physics - Convective Node



Two star model

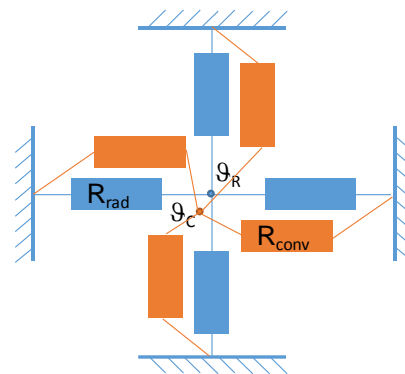


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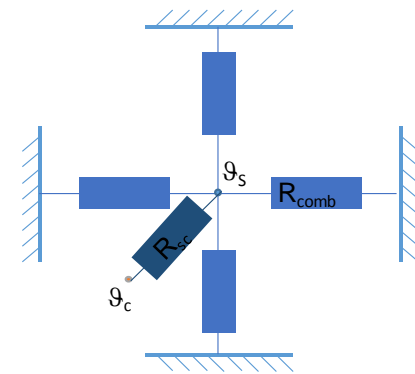
# Model Physics - Radiation Exchange

## • Two star and Star node model

- Non-physical
- Radiation exchange with virtual radiation
- Sufficiently accurate dynamics
- Sufficiently accurate representation of operative temperature



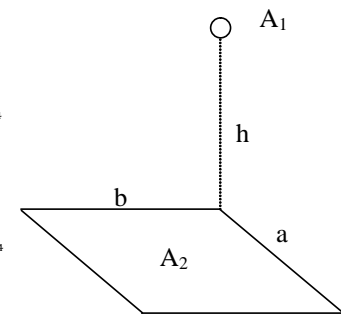
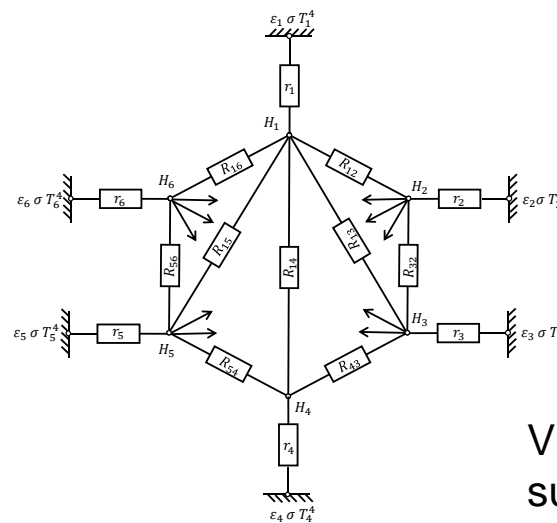
Two star model



Star-node model

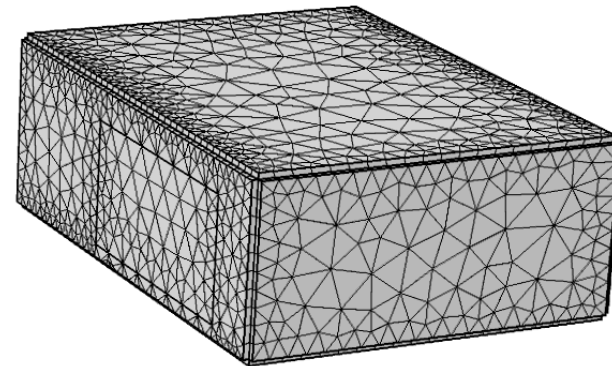
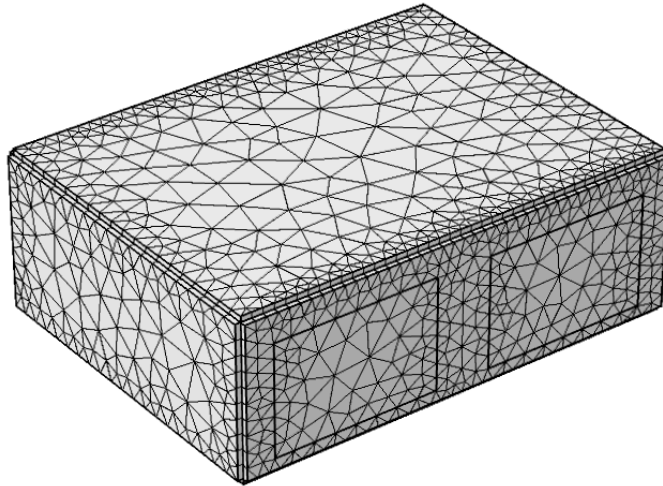
## • Radiosity Model

- Physically correct
- Radiation exchange from surface to surface
- Spatial distribution of radiative temperature
- Radiation temperature asymmetry
- Possibility to predict local comfort



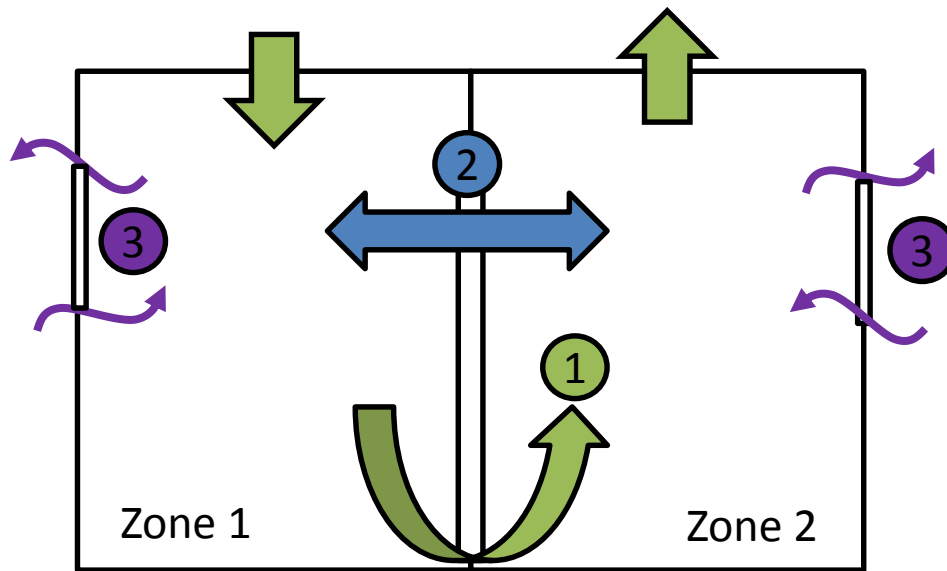
View factor between a surface and a sphere

## 3D-Model in Comsol Multiphysics (FE-Model)



Result: View Factor

## Multi-Zone Simulation with Air-Coupling in MATLAB/Simulink



- ① Forced Convection between Zones  
(Ventilation)
- ② Natural Convection between Zones (in  
case of open doors)
- ③ Infiltration and Exfiltration

Air exchange between  
thermal zones

$$\dot{m} = C \cdot |\Delta P|^n$$

$$|\Delta P| = |\Delta\rho_{12} \cdot g \cdot H|$$

$$C = 0.5 \cdot C_d \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot H \cdot L \cdot \sqrt{\rho}$$

## Hygrothermal Wall Modell

Energy Conservation and Mass Conservation

Coupled system of ODEs

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial \varphi} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( D_{m,\varphi} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} + D_{m,T} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial T} \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial h}{\partial \varphi} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( D_{e,T} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + D_{e,\varphi} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} \right)$$

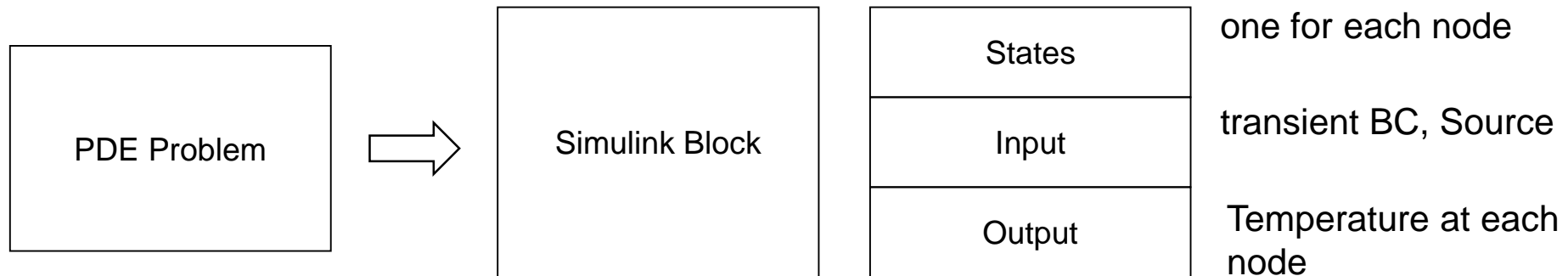
solved with MATLAB pdepe function

$$c \left( x, t, u, \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = x^{-m} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( x^m f \left( x, t, u, \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) \right) + s \left( x, t, u, \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)$$

and MATLAB/Simulink S-function

## PDE for Simulink

- Simulink solves ODEs
- Generate system of ODE from PDE with „Method of Lines“
- Update of PDE Parameter with time
- Integration by Simulink



Source: Ochs et al. 2012, Bausim, Berlin  
Prüfert, TUB, 2012

# Modelling Ground Heat Exchanger

2D heat equation, cylinder coordinates

$$r\rho c_p \frac{\partial \vartheta}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r\lambda \frac{\partial \vartheta}{\partial r} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \lambda \frac{\partial \vartheta}{\partial z} \right) = \dot{q}r$$

(PDE)

MATLAB/Simulink

Method of lines

PDE Problem



Level 2  
**s-function**

(Matrix Formulation)

$$\frac{d}{dt} U = M^{-1} (F + G + R + KU + QU + HU)$$

Level 2 S-  
function

Simulink Block

Initialization

States

*One for each node*

Input

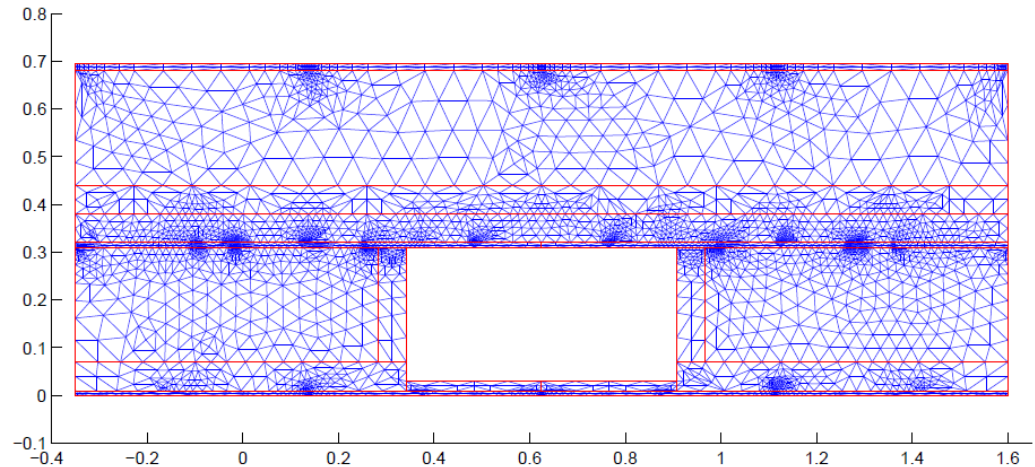
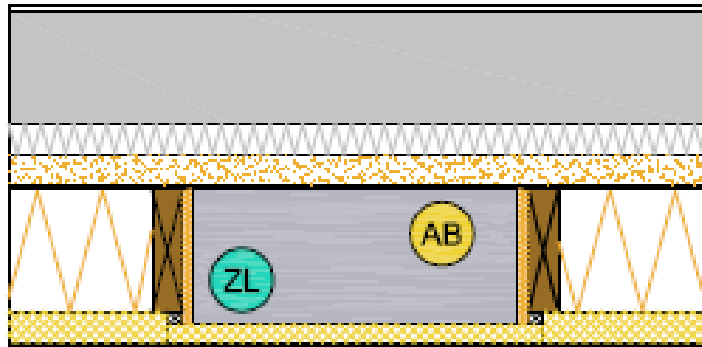
*Time depended BC,*

Output

*Temperature at single  
node, heat flux*

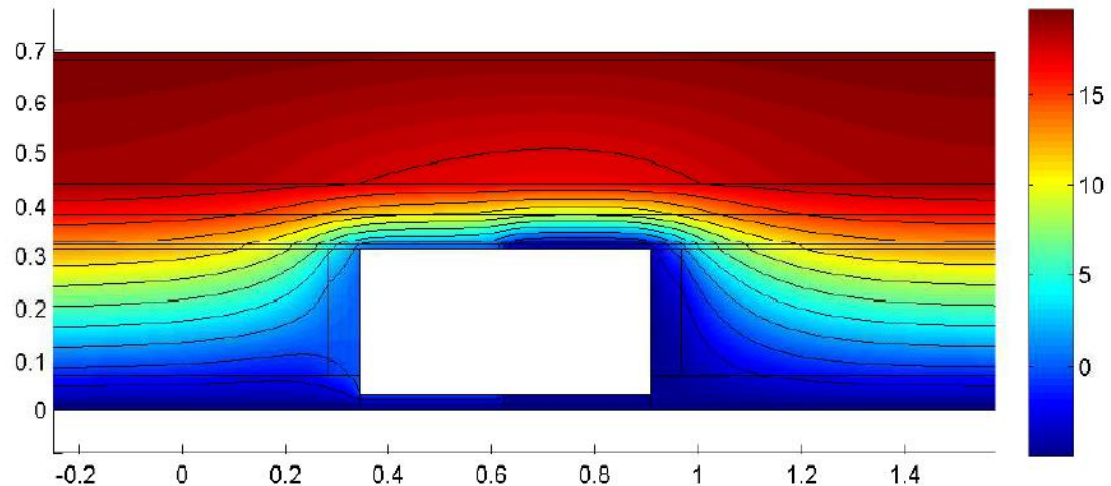


## Example: Facade integrated MHVR

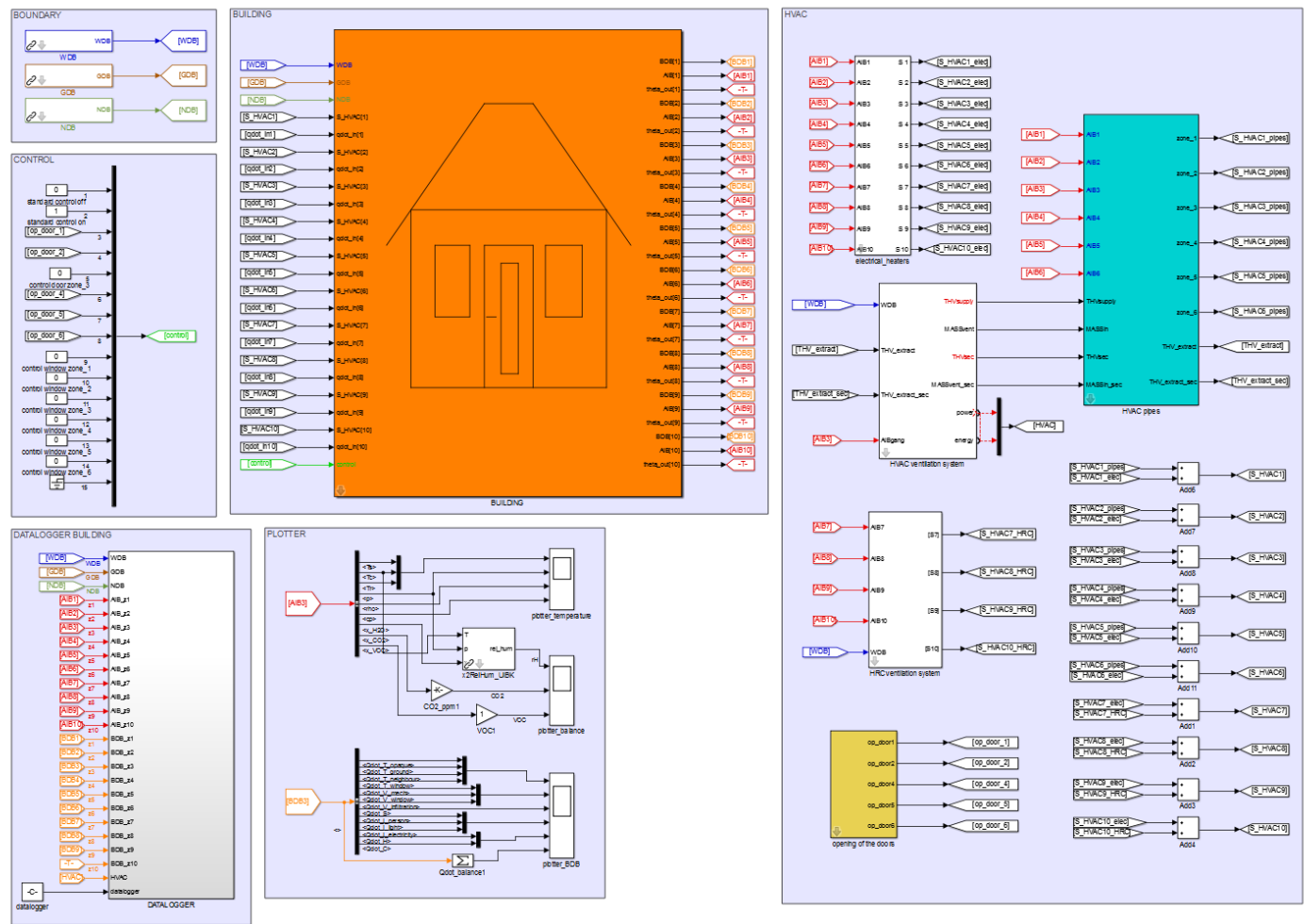


Other examples of 2 D  
Heat Transfer:

- Ground coupling (2D)
- Thermal Bridges (2D)
- Ground heat exchanger



# MATLAB/Simulink Building Model (Object Oriented)

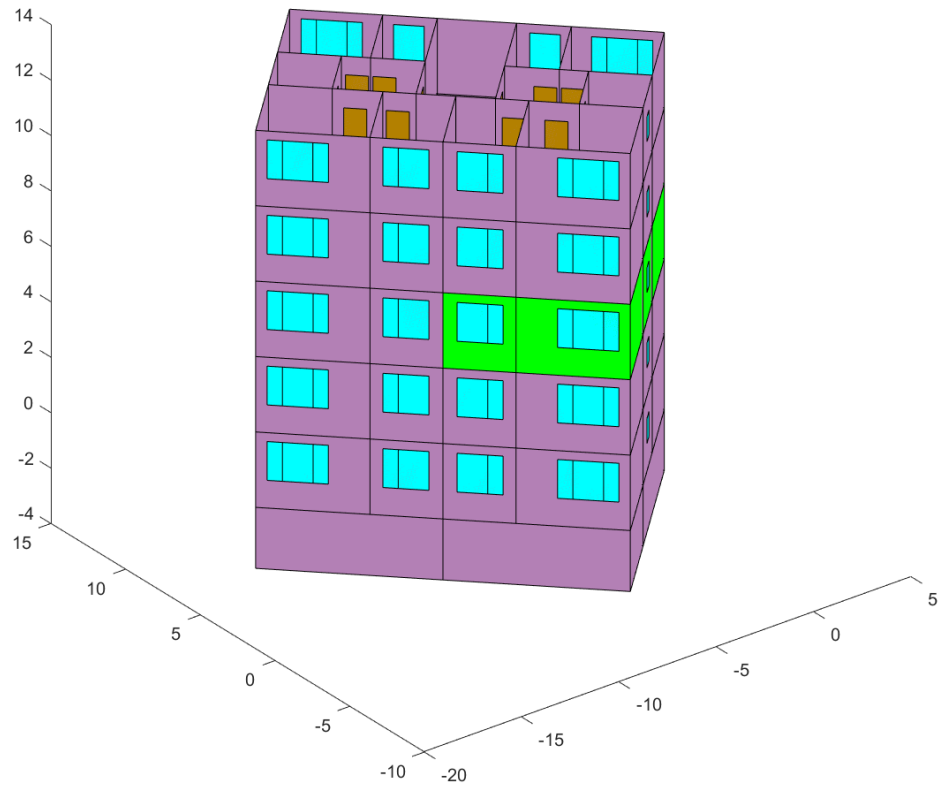




# Multi-Zone Building [ MATLAB/Simulink

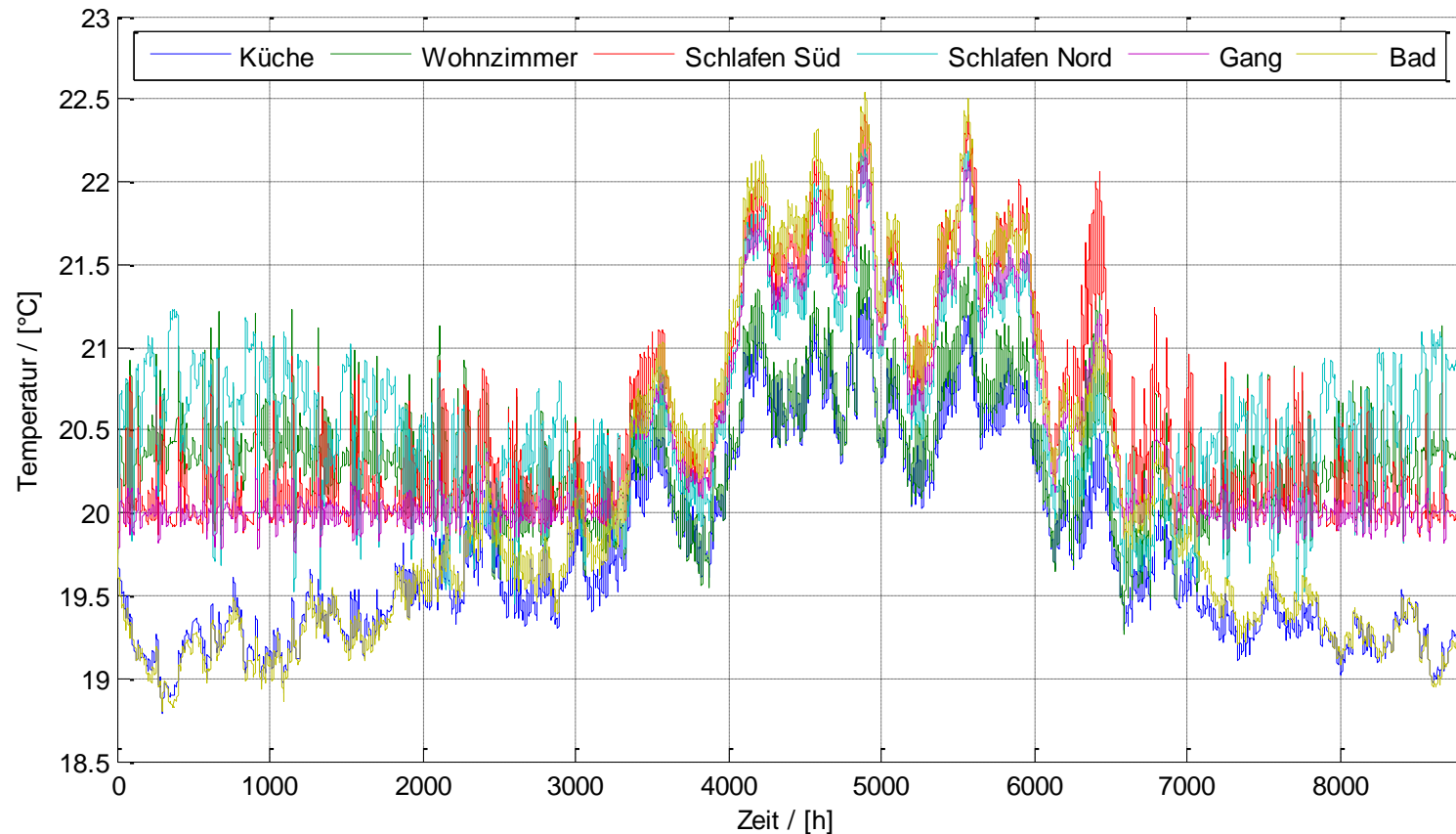


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# Temperature Distribution - SaLüH! Reference Building

Supply Air Heating (no recirculation), no bath heater



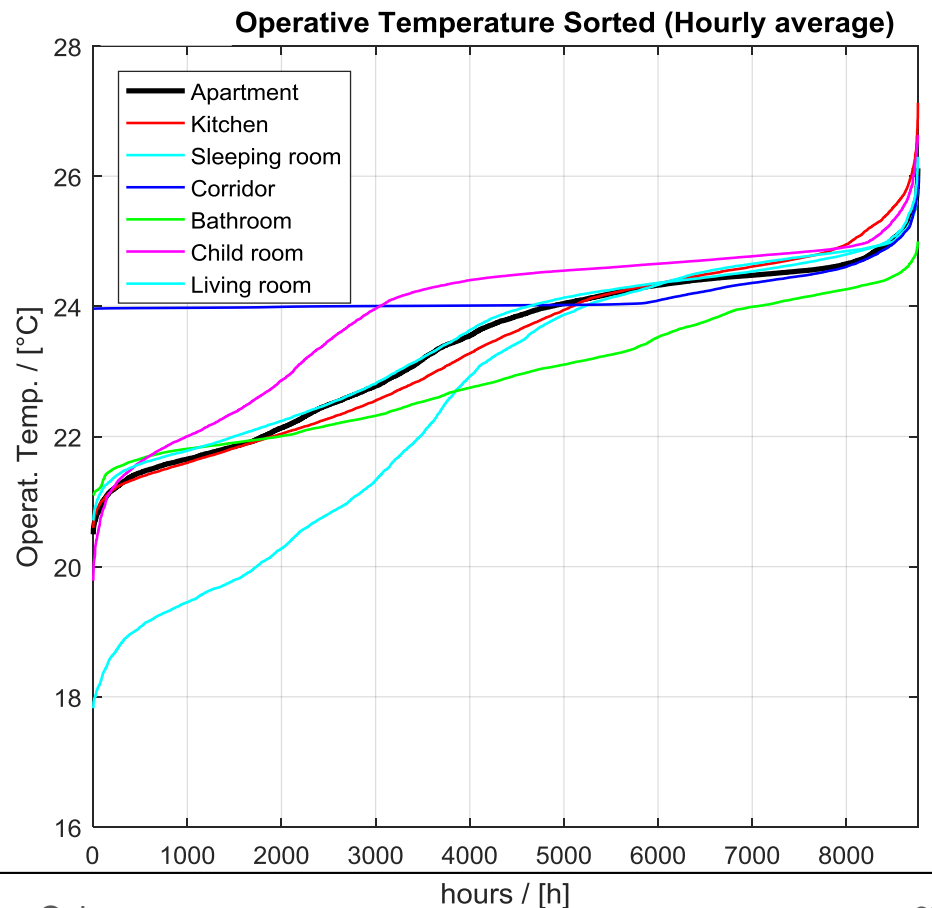
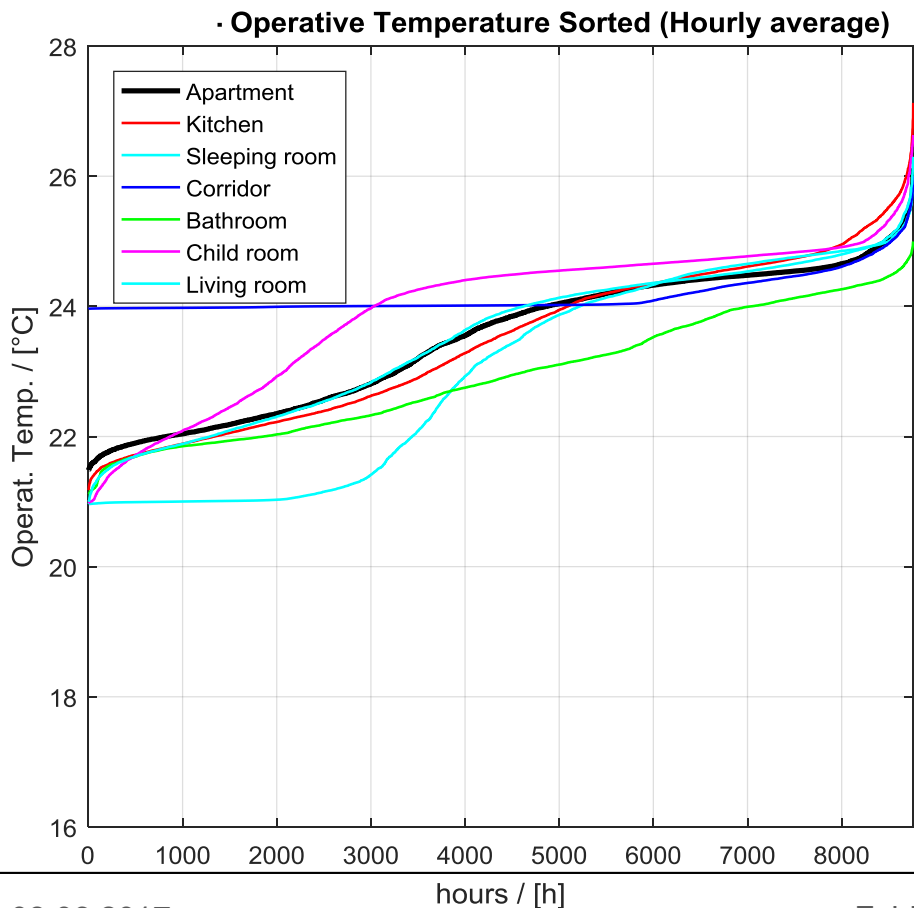


# Overheating of corridor

Door air exchange model: BR/CHILD/SLEEP (Closed), KITCH/LIVING (Opened)

Individual (room-wise) post-heater

No individual (room-wise) post-heater



## Simulation Results – Heating demand and heating load

Simulation	HEATING DEMAND [kWh/m <sup>2</sup> a]			HEATING LOAD [W/m <sup>2</sup> ]	
	Supply air	Electr. Heater	Total	Air heating	Electr. Heater
REF	24.8	3.4	<b>28.2</b>	13.2	5.1
Corridor Overheating (24 °C)	0.0	48.1	<b>48.1</b>	0.0	17.8
Corridor Overheating „symmetric BC“	0.0	23.8	<b>23.8</b>	0.0	13.3
Corridor Overheating „symmetric BC“ No room post-heater	0.0	22.9	<b>22.9</b>	0	10.6

### Door air exchange model:

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## Research Projects

- EU iNSPiRe (fp7)
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*A detailed report on the review of heat pumps in passive houses is available German language and can be distributed on request.*

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