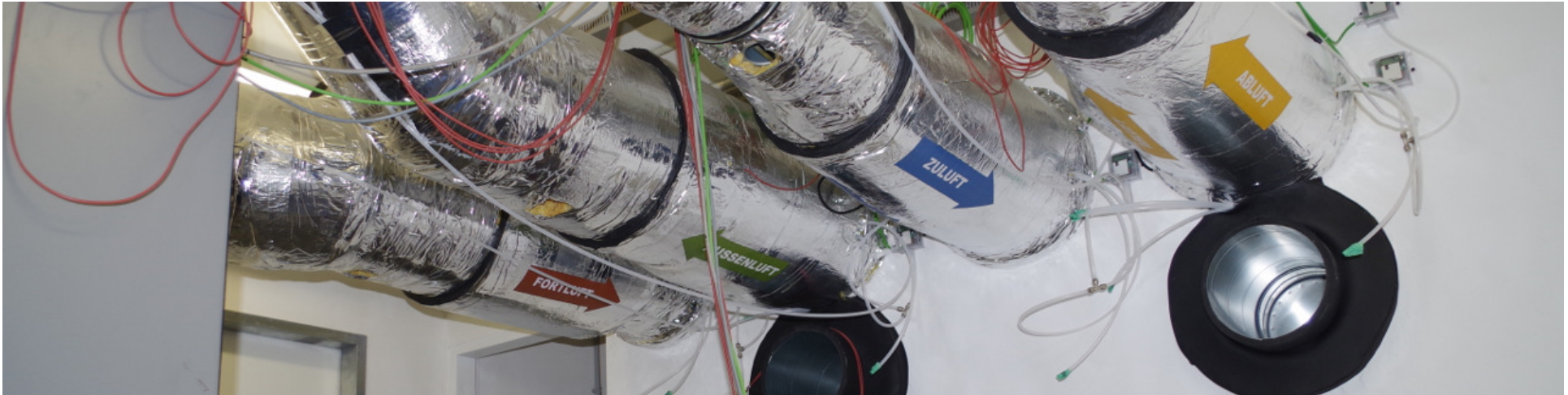




Simulation assisted evaluation of the performance of a new generation heat pump compact unit

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Objective

- » Heating of a flat of a Multi-family Building with **decentral MVHR and heat pump compact unit**
- » Evaluate
 - performance,
 - comfort and
 - IAQ
- » Simulation Study
 - Reference System – Gas, HP (PHPP)
 - Dynamic Simulation of a Flat
 - Thermal Comfort
 - Indoor air quality (IAQ)
 - Performance
 - Heating
 - DHW



Src: Pichler Luft

Heat Pump Compact Units and Passive House

- » Heat Pump Compact Units are widely used in Passive Houses (PH) since more than 20 yrs.
- » Mainly in Single Family Houses (SFH)
- » Little experience in Multi-Family Buildings (decentral, flat wise)
- » Interesting Solution for New Passive Houses and EnerPhit renovations?



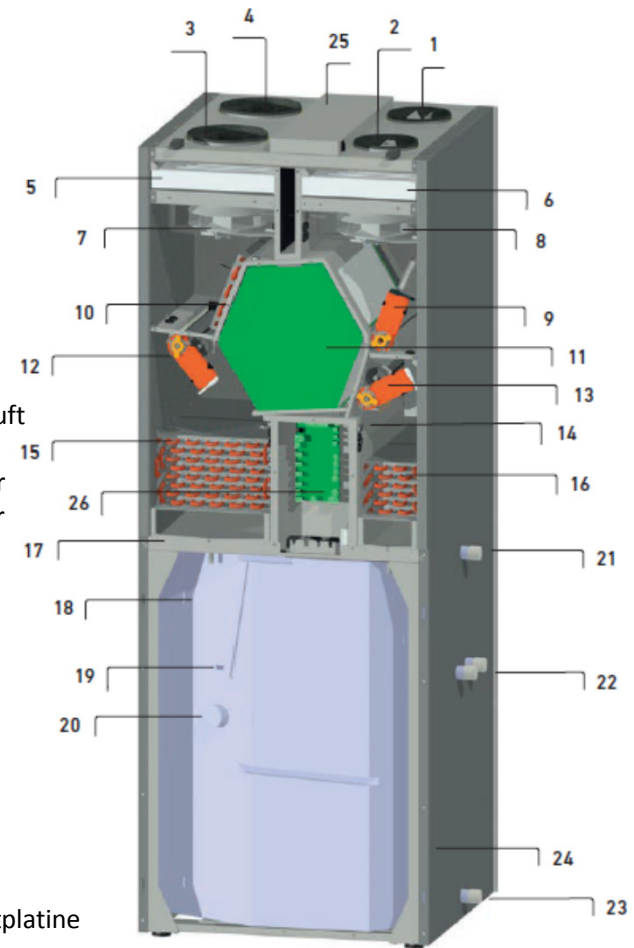
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New Generation Compact Unit

» PKOM⁴ (Pichler Luft)

- Mechanical Ventilation with Heat Recovery (HRV)/Enthalpy Recovery (ERV)
85 m³/h – 250 m³/h (variable)
 $\eta_T = 88\%$ (HRV)
- Exhaust/Supply Air Heat Pump for Heating with **1.3 kW** (A2, V_{max}) and cooling
- DHW heat pump with **212 l** buffer store and heating capacity of **1.6 kW** (exhaust air 160 m³/h with additional ambient air (120 m³/h)
- Additional bathroom radiator for comfort reasons

- 1 Zuluft
- 2 Abluft
- 3 Außenluft
- 4 Fortluft
- 5 Außenluftfilter F7
- 6 Abluftfilter M5
- 7 Außenluftventilator
- 8 Abluftventilator
- 9 Bypassklappe mit Stellmotor
- 10 Vorheizregister für die Außenluft
- 11 Gegenstromwärmetauscher
- 12 AUL/FOL Klappe mit Stellmotor
- 13 AUL/ZUL Klappe mit Stellmotor
- 14 Verdichter in Einhausung
- 15 Wärmetauscher in Fortluft
- 16 Wärmetauscher in Zuluft
- 17 Kondensatwanne
- 18 Brauchwasserspeicher
- 19 Opferanode
- 20 Elektroheizstab mit STB
- 21 Warmwasseranschluss 1"AG
- 22 Heizregisteranschluss 1"AG
- 23 Kaltwasseranschluss 1"AG
- 24 Kondenswasser Abfluss
- 25 Elektroanschlussbox mit Hauptplatine
- 26 Wärmepumpenplatine



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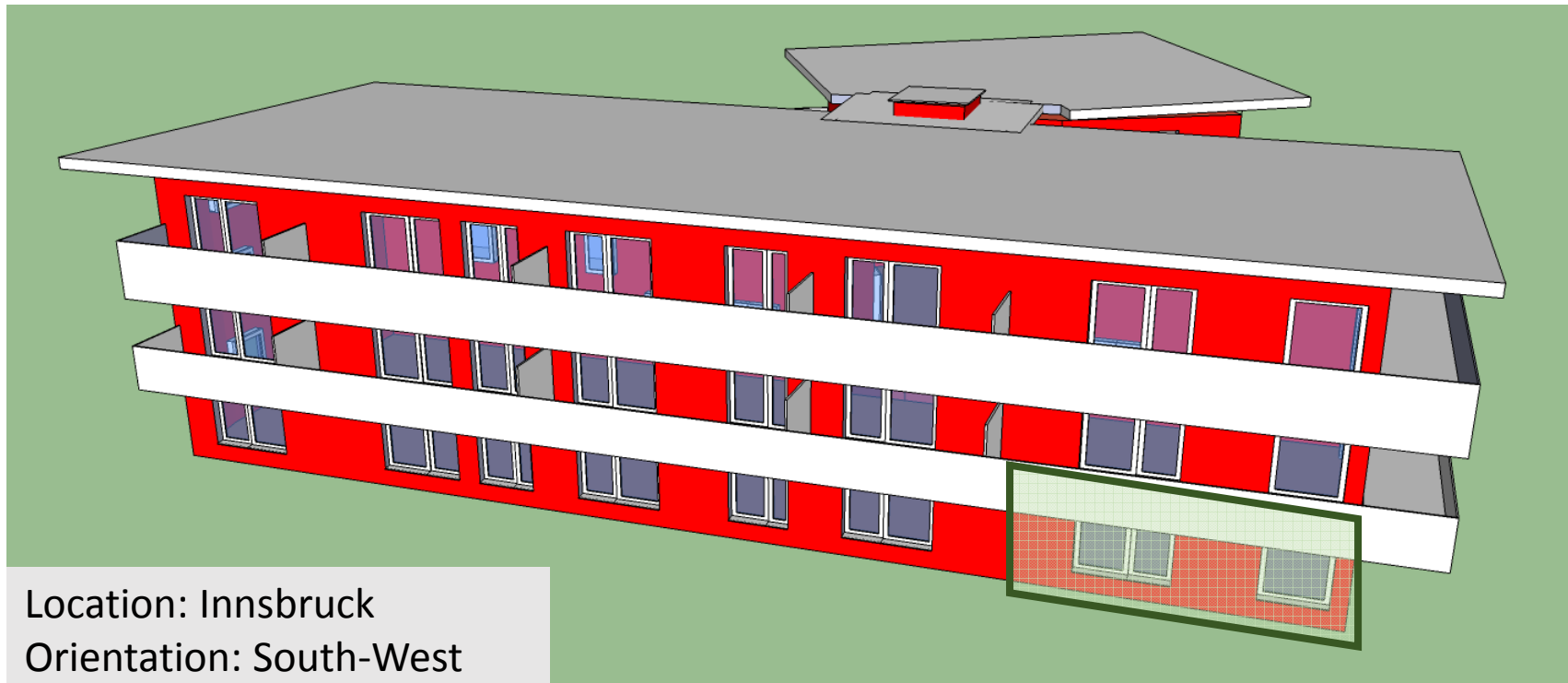
PKOM⁴ and PHPP (PHI certified)

Heating		Test point 1	Test point 3	Test point 3	Test point 4	
Outside Air Temperature	T_{amb}	-15	-7	2	7	°C
Thermal Output Heating Heat Pump	$P_{WP,Heiz}$	0.612	0.933	0.771	0.776	kW
COP number Heating Heat Pump	COP_{Heiz}	1.53	2.61	3.15	3.86	-
Maximum available supply air temperature with Heat Pump only(*)		35				°C
Hot water		Test point 1	Test point 3	Test point 3	Test point 4	
Outside Air Temperature	T_{amb}	-7	2	7	20	°C
Thermal Output Heat Pump for heating up storage tank.	$P_{DHW, heating up}$	0.84	1.15	1.38	1.67	kW
Thermal Output Heat Pump for reheating storage tank	$P_{DHW, reheating}$	0.80	1.19	1.35	1.66	kW
COP Heat Pump for heating up storage tank	$COP_{DHW, heating up}$	2.28	2.97	3.34	3.94	-
COP Heat Pump for reheating storage tank	$COP_{DHW, reheating}$	2.02	2.88	3.10	3.76	-
Average storage tank temperature		45				°C
Specific storage heat losses		1.51				W/K
Exhaust air addition (if applicable)		200				m ³ /h



src: Zertifikat Passivhausinstitut

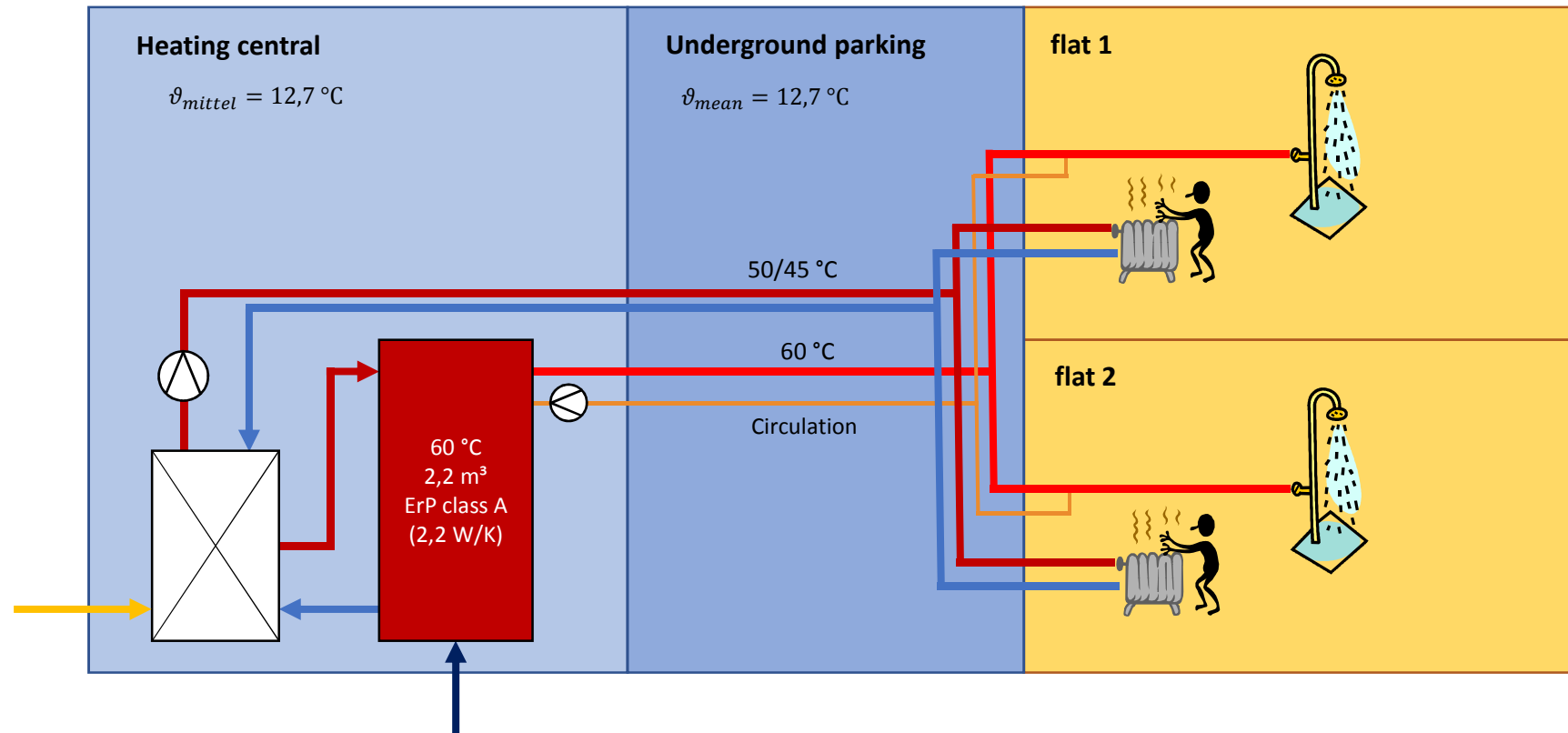
Simulation object



Location: Innsbruck
Orientation: South-West
Treated Area: 1941,4 m²
Occupation: 54 Persons

Sketchup, Design PH

Reference: Central MVHR and Heating System



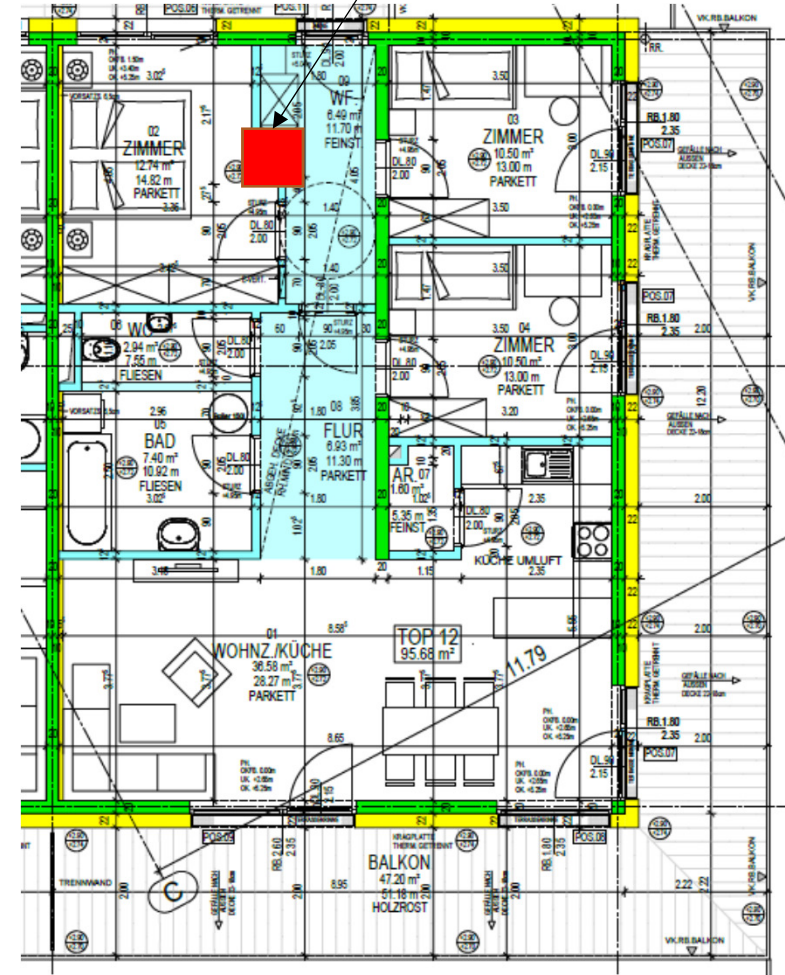
MVHR: mechanical ventilation with heat recovery

Simulation object (cont.)

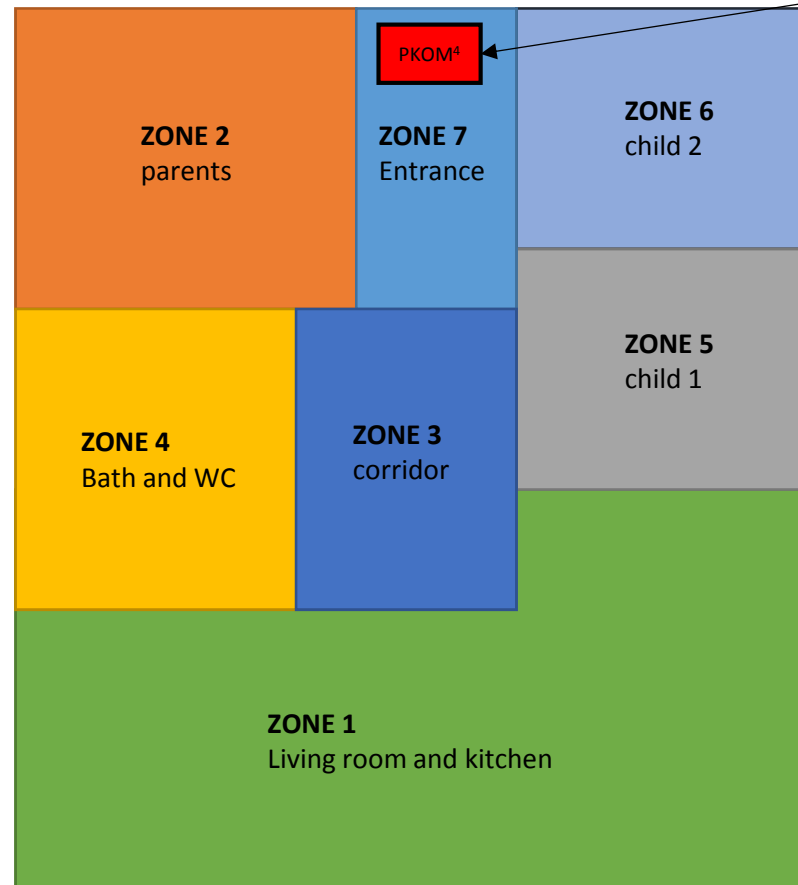
- » Flat oriented South-West
 - 99.90 m² treated area
 - Ground floor adjacent to unheated cellar
 - Flat with highest heating load
- » Occupation
 - 4 Persons



MVHR and
Heat Pump
Compact Unit

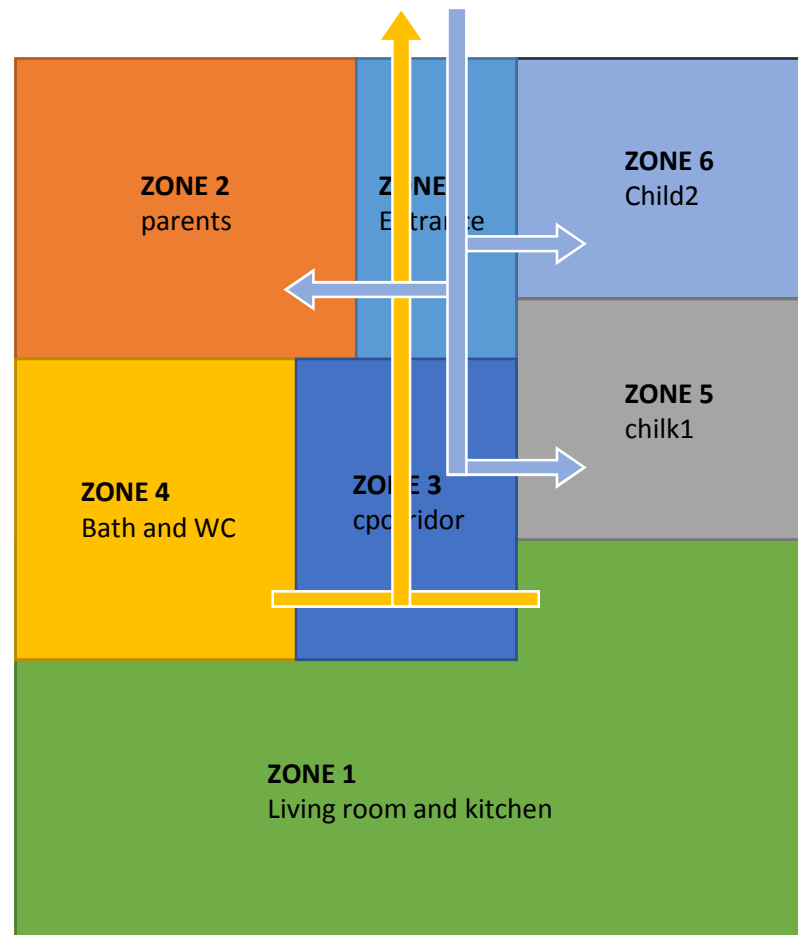


Building Simulation – Multi-Zone Model



MVHR and
Heat Pump
Compact Unit

Building Simulation – Reference System: central MVHR, Gas Boiler

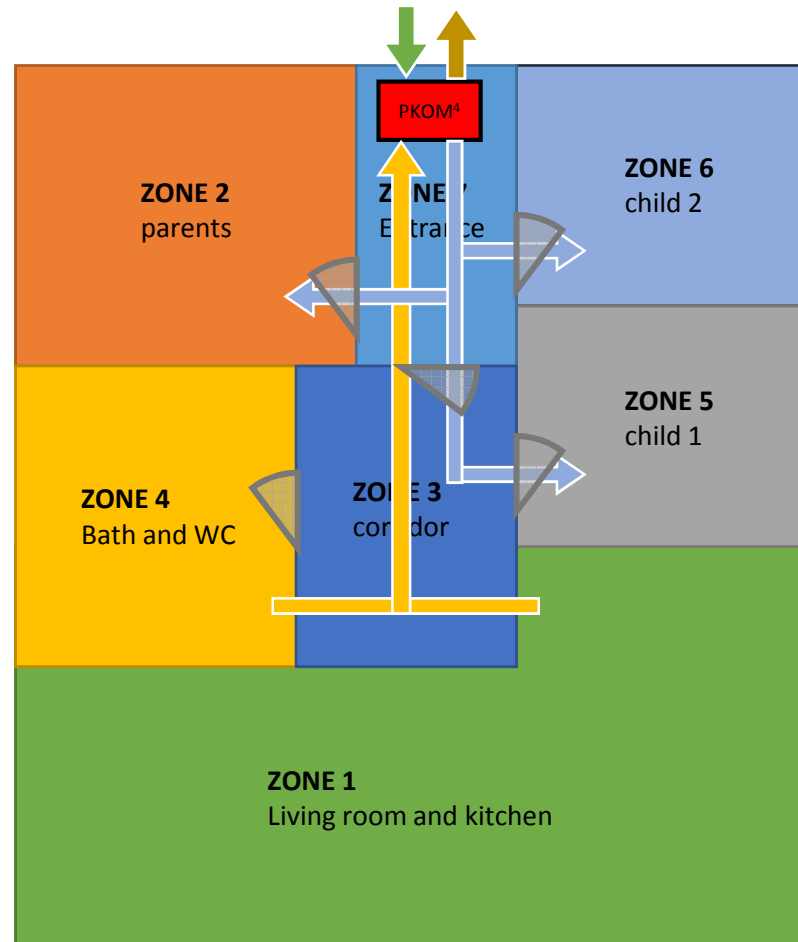


Cascade ventilation

Volume flow:

- 120 m³/h
- 80 m³/h

Building Simulation PKOM⁴ - Heating



Ventilation: Case 1

Cascade Ventilation

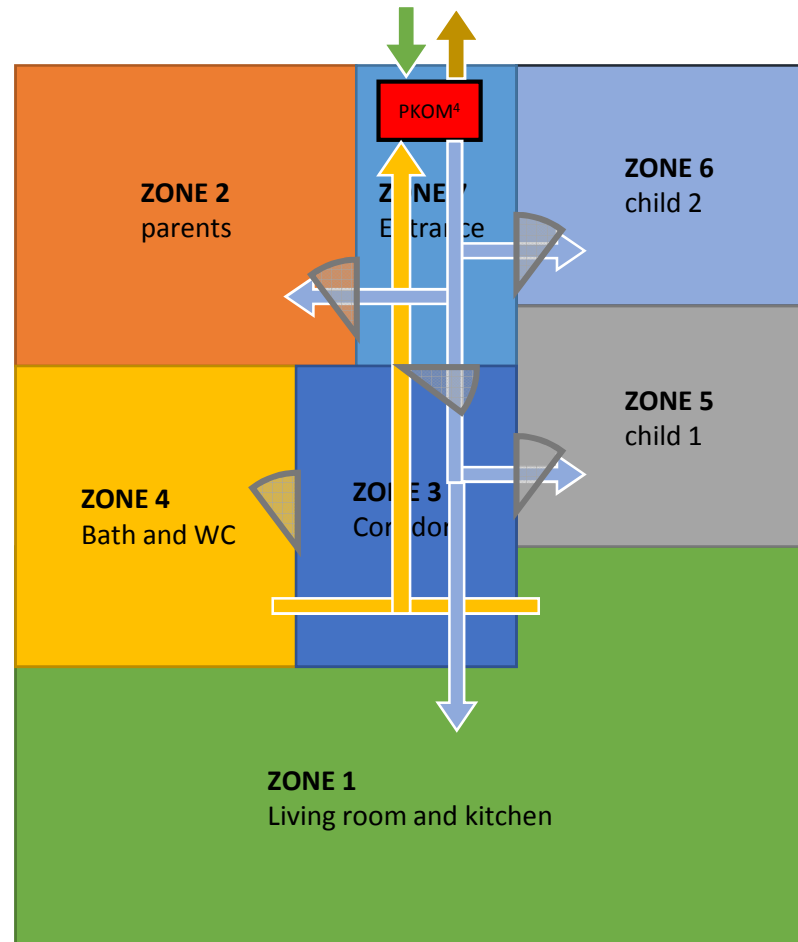
Volume flow:

- 120 m³/h or
160 m³/h

Door position

- all open

Building Simulation PKOM⁴ - Heating



Ventilation: Case 2

Classic Ventilation

Volume flow:

- 120 m³/h or
160 m³/h

Door position

- all open
- all closed

Results PHPP – Building

» Heating Demand (at 20°C)

- 16.6 kWh/(m².a) **32 233 kWh/a**

» Heating Load

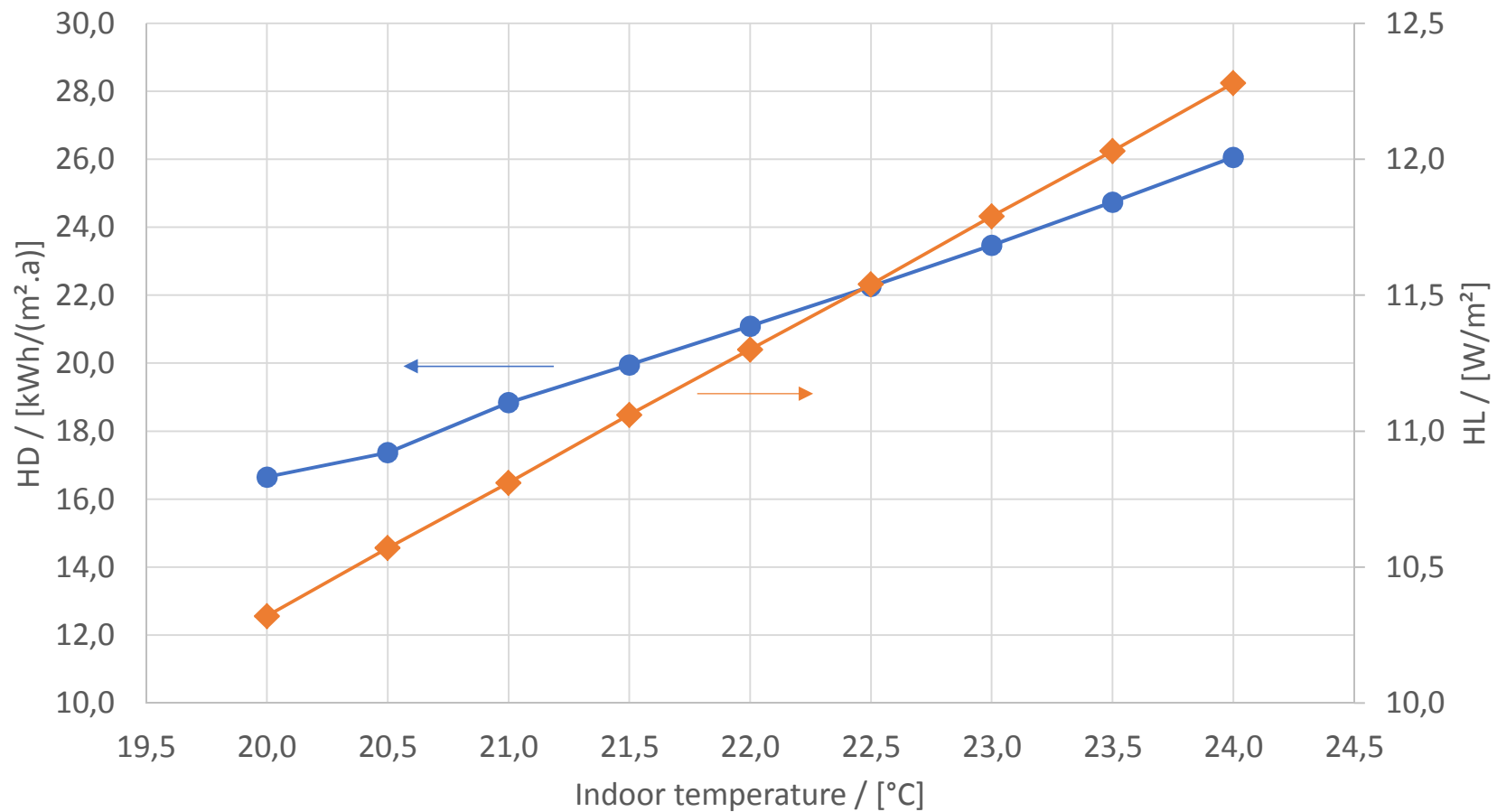
- 10.30 W/m² (bei 20°C) 20.0 kW (building)
1.0 KW (flat)

» Duration of Heating Period: 210 days

» Hot water Demand

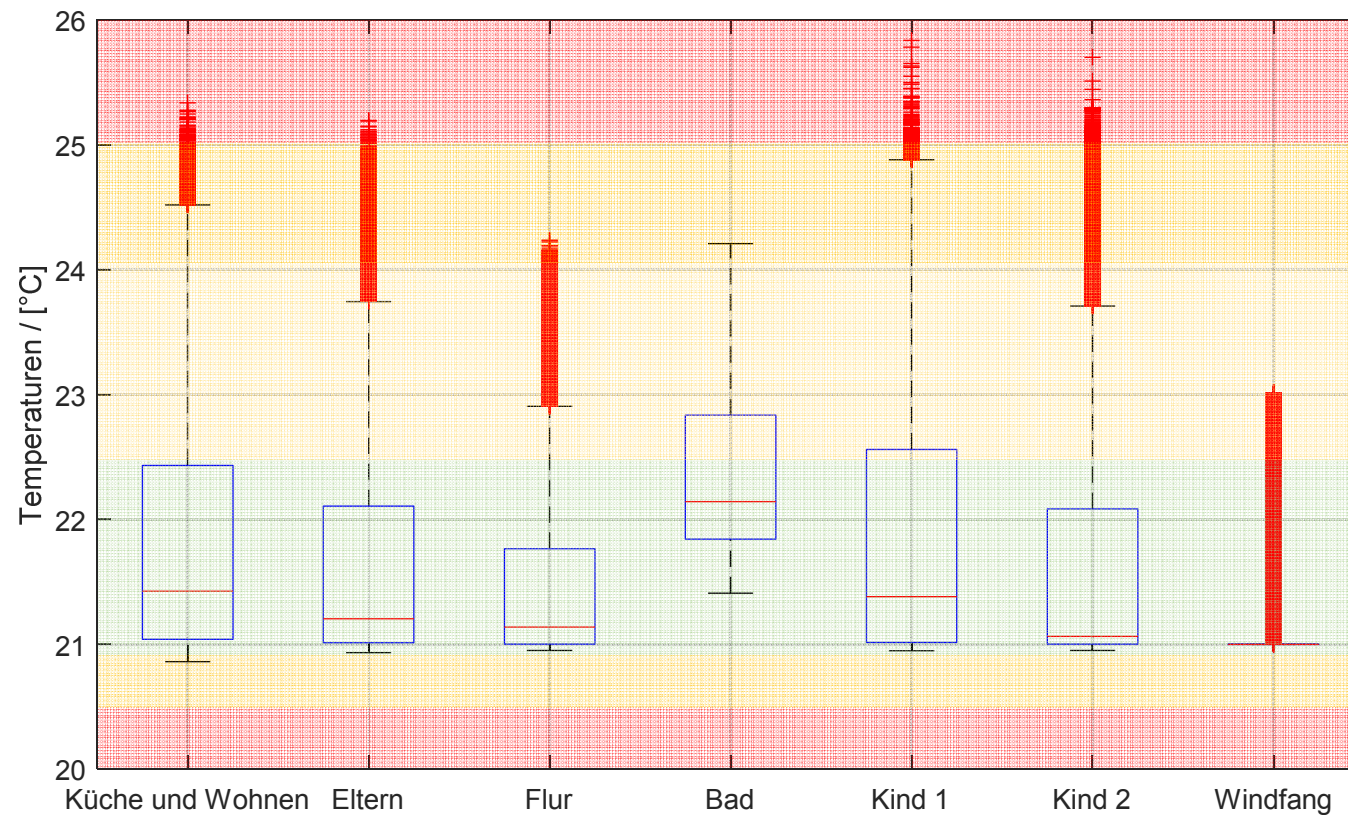
- 14.65 kWh/(m².a) **28 447 kWh/a**

Results Heating Load and Heating Demand (PHPP)



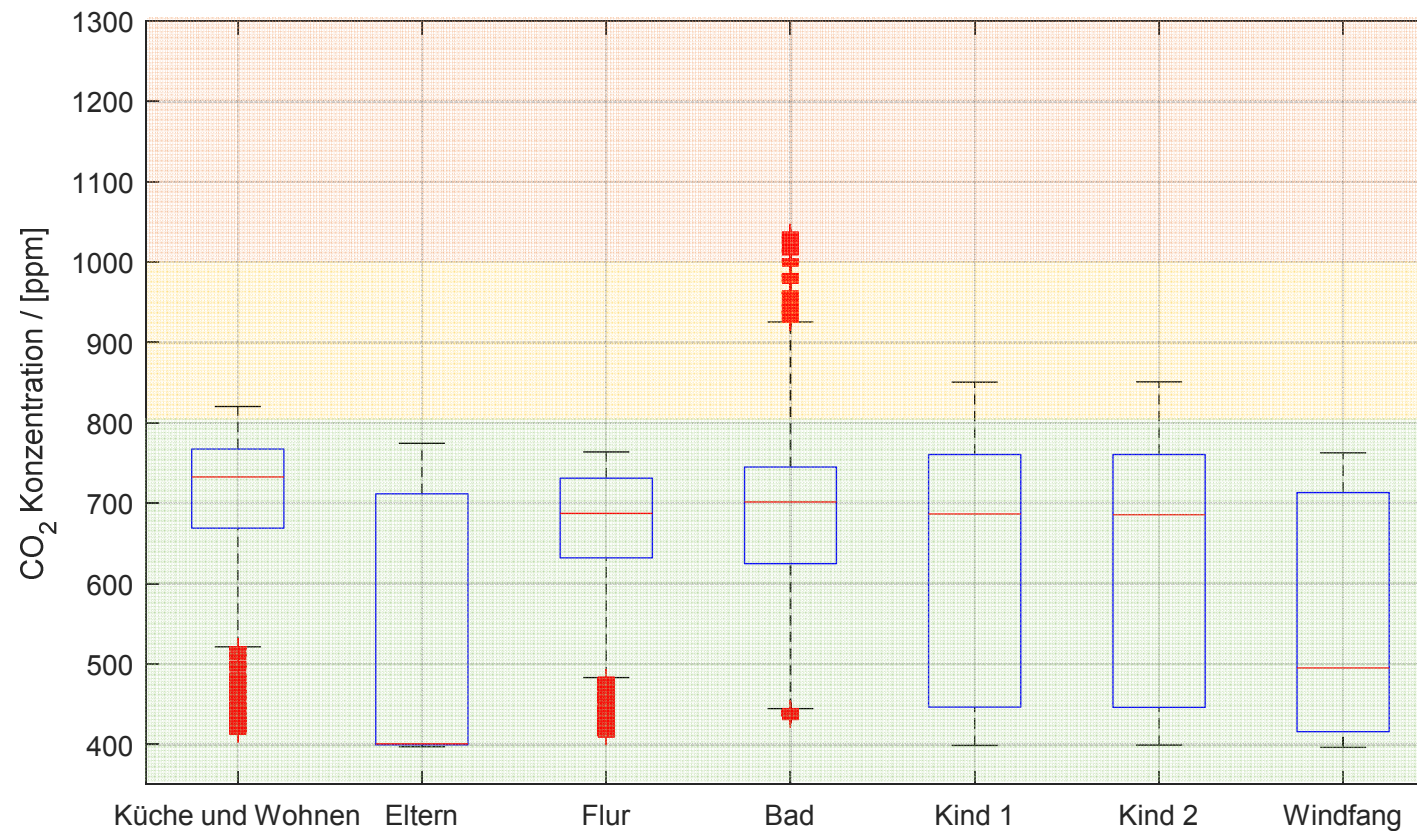
Results Reference Gas - Heating

Temperature



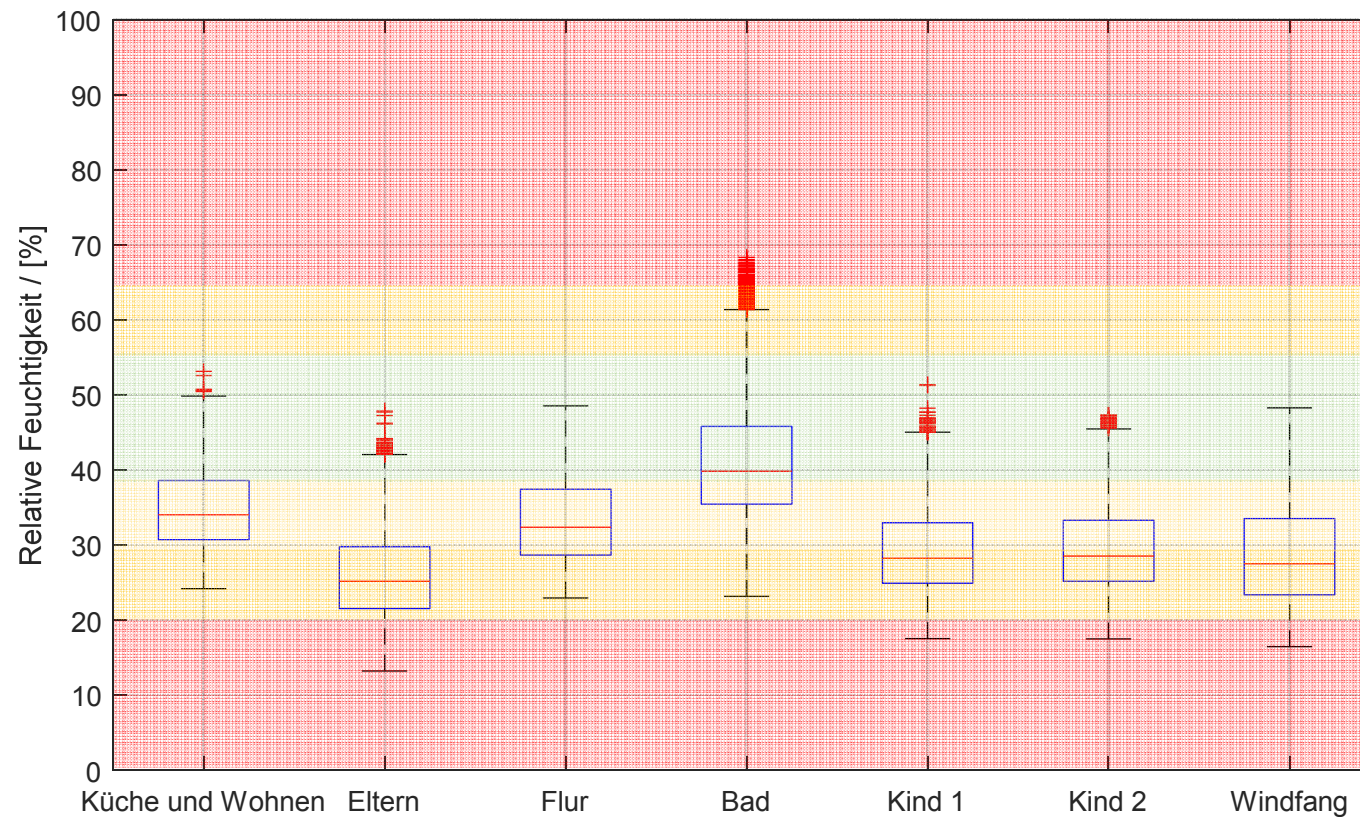
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Cascade: 120 m³/h



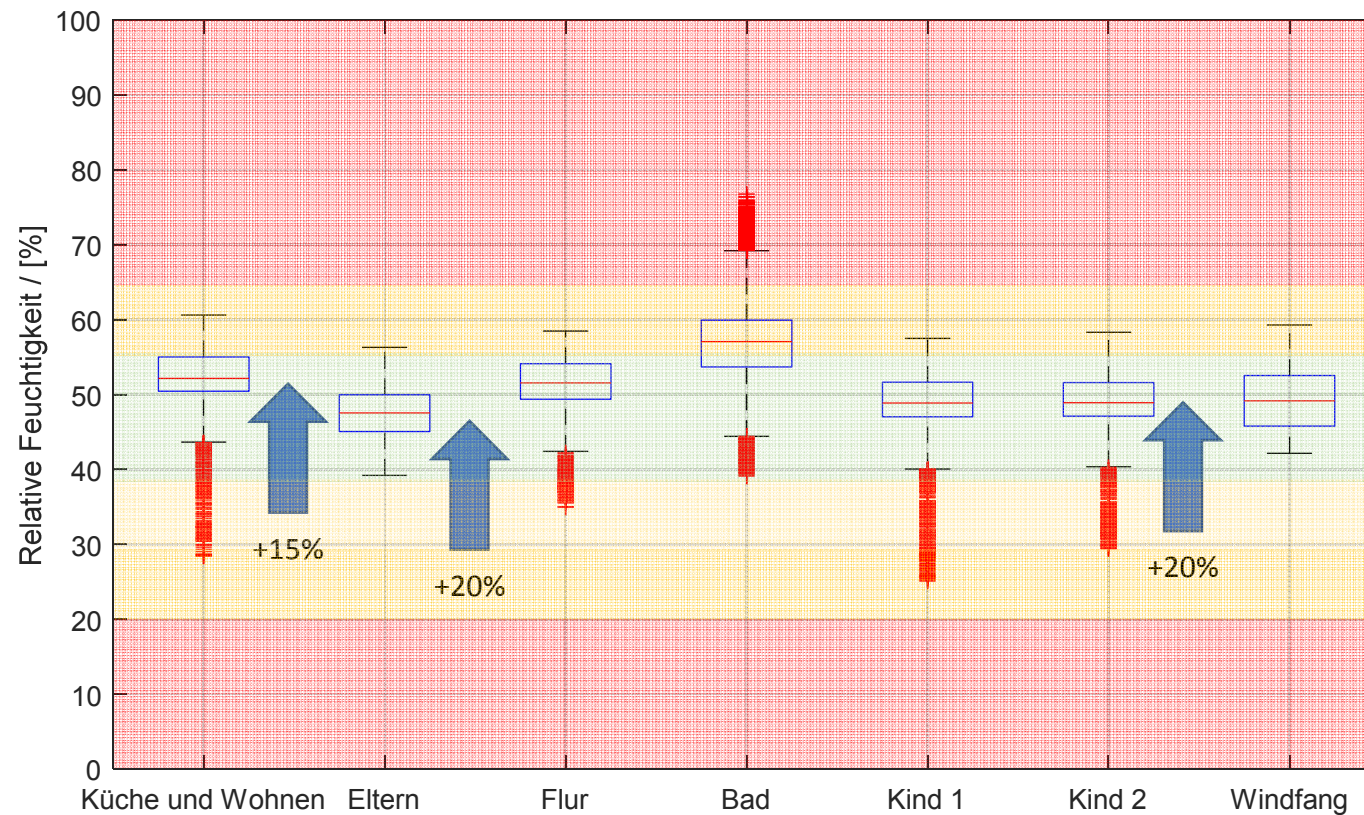
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120 m³/h
Heat recovery (HRV)



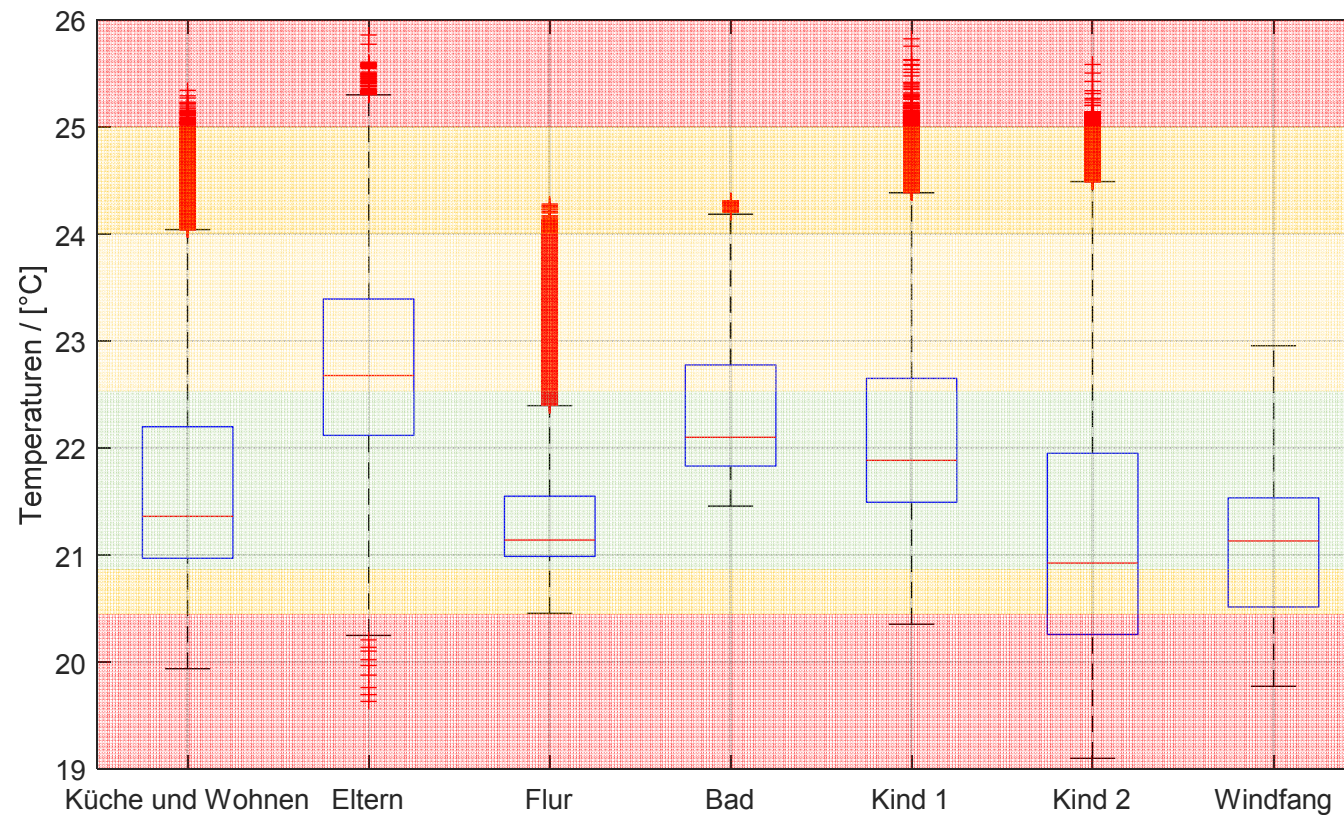
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120 m³/h
moisture recovery (ERV)



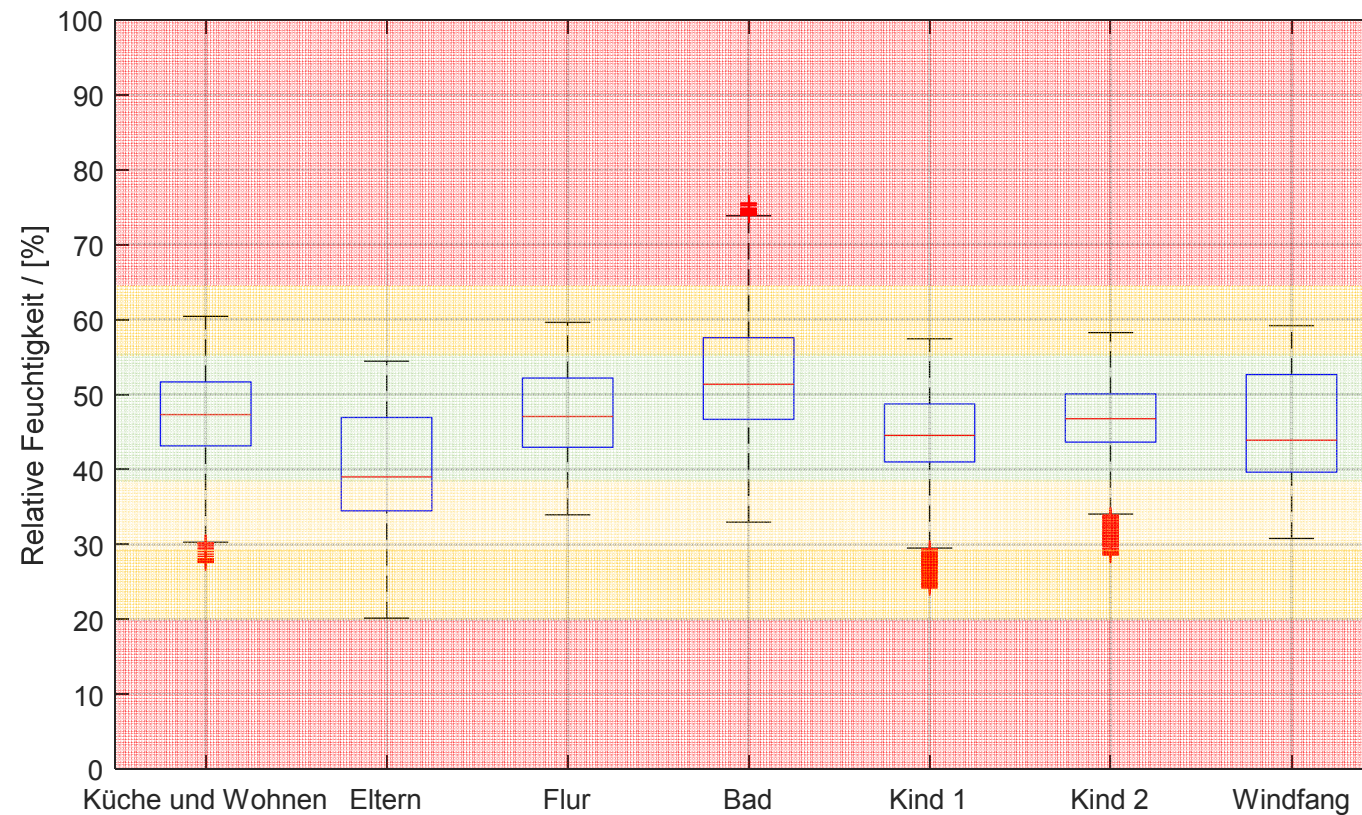
Results decentral heating PKOM⁴

Case 2 with ERV
Doors closed



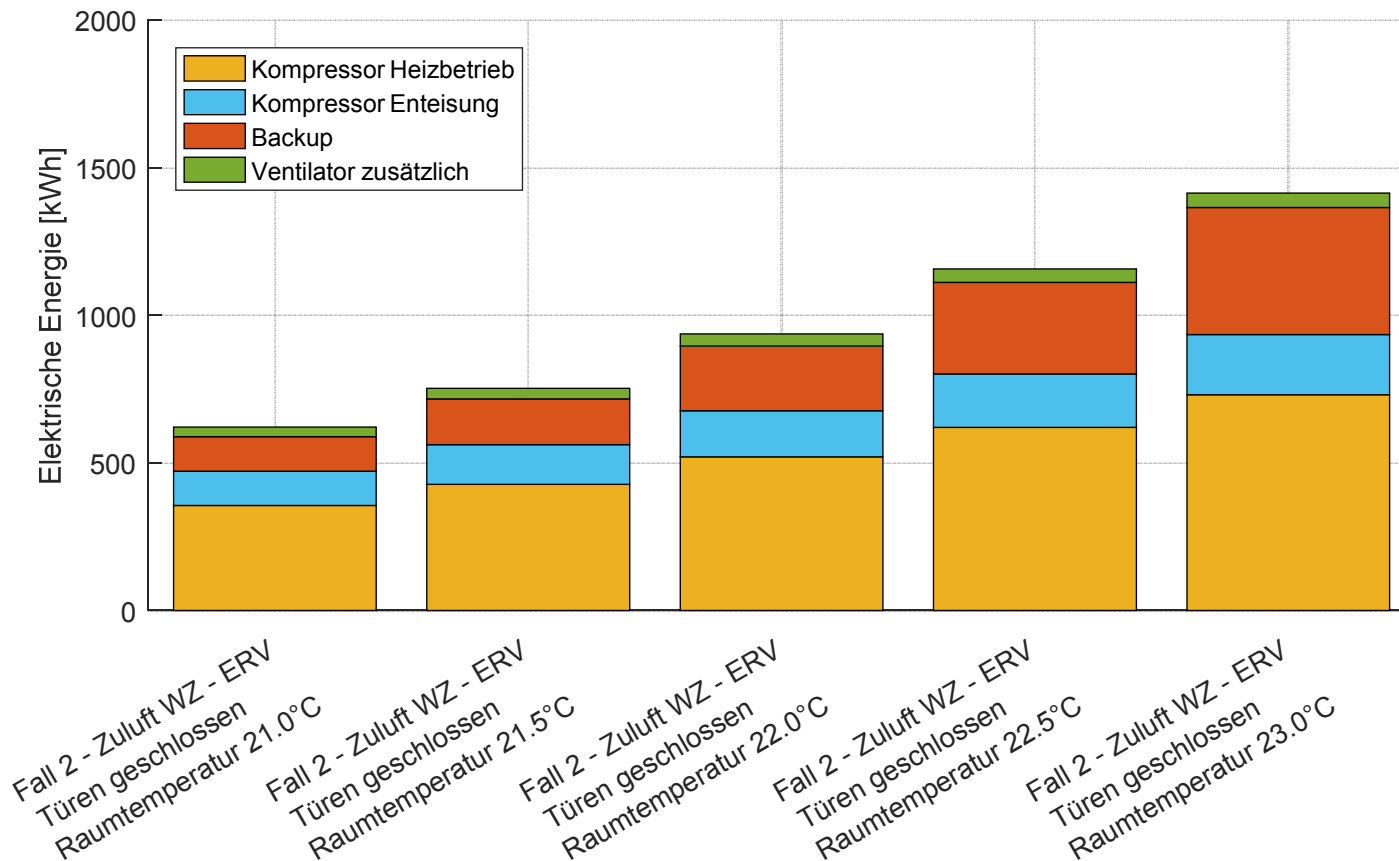
Results decentral heating PKOM⁴

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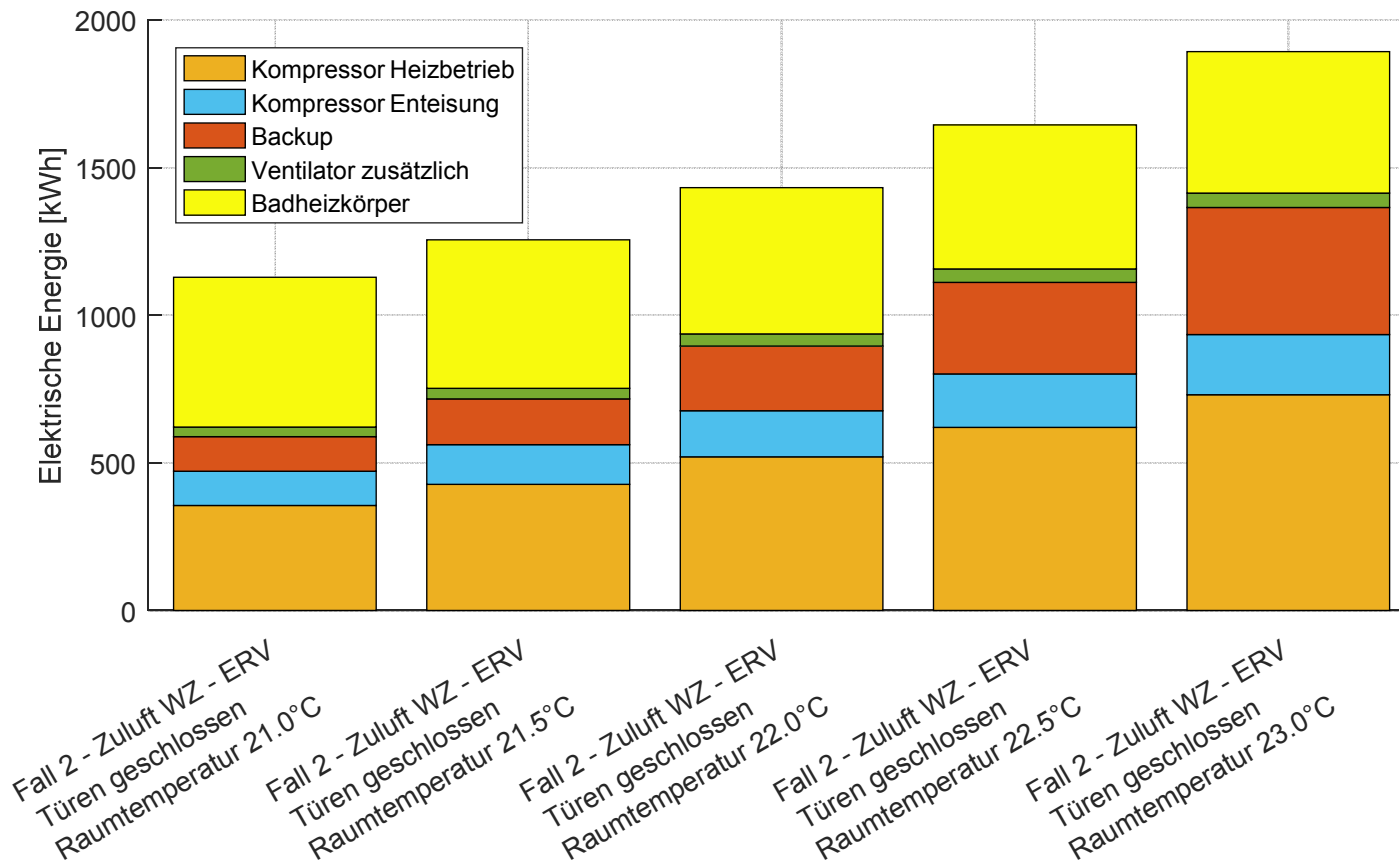
Results decentral heating PKOM⁴

Electricity Demand ERV



Results decentral heating PKOM⁴

Electricity Demand
ERV with post-heater



Results Reference Gas – Domestic Hot Water

» Expenditure Factor ($e_p = 1/\eta$) DHW

- Heat Generation: 105 %
- Storage, Distribution and circulation: 187 % (total)
173 % (excluding gains from pipes
inside thermal envelope in
heating period*)

» End energy demand DHW with (central) Gas

53.3 kWh/a (*49.3 MWh)

- Useful DHW: 28.5 MWh/a
- Losses Distribution: 25.0 MWh/a (*21 MWh)

Effective SPF (including losses) with central HP

- » $Q_{\text{use,DHW}}$ Useful DHW
- » $Q_{\text{tot,DHW}}$ DHW + Losses

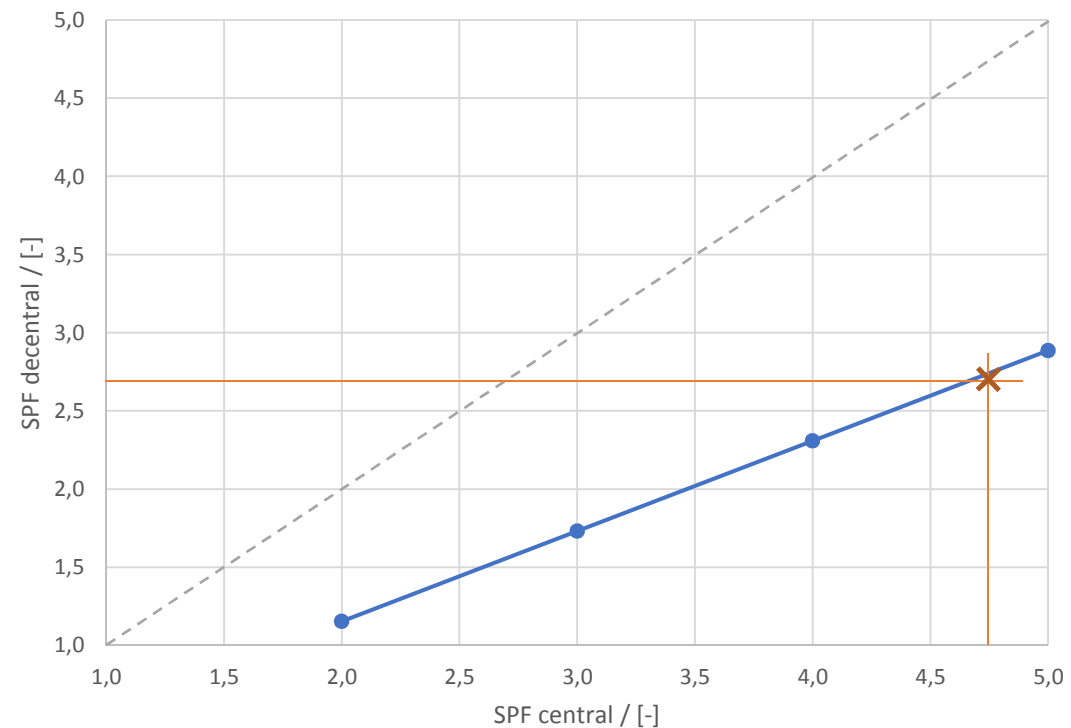
Example:

$$\text{SPF}_{\text{zentral}} = 4.75$$

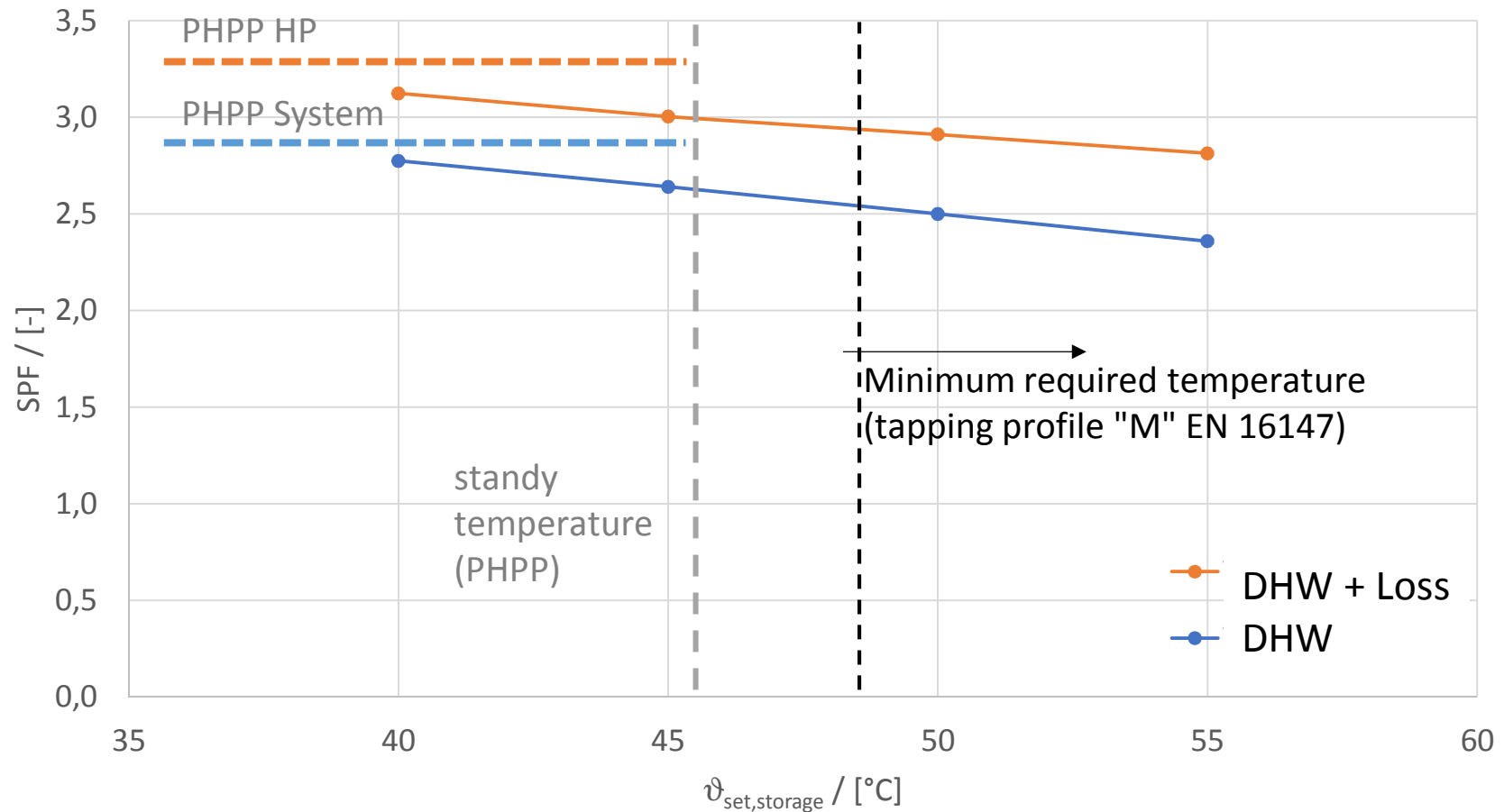
$$\text{SPF}_{\text{dezentral}} = 2.7$$

$$w_{\text{el}} = 5.35 \text{ kWh}/(\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{a})$$

$$W_{\text{el}} = 10.4 \text{ MWh}$$



Results PKOM⁴ – Domestic Hot Water Preparation



Summary and Conclusion

- » Heating and DHW preparation in Passive House Multi-Family Buildings
- » Detailed Building and HVAC simulation of a **MVHR and heat pump compact unit** in comparison to central heating system (reference)
- » Low influence of **ERV/HRV** on efficiency
 - But significant **better IAQ/comfort!**
- » **Good performance** (i.e. low operation costs) of decentral HP compact unit ($\text{SPF}_{\text{heating}} = 2.5$, $\text{SPF}_{\text{DHW,sys}} = 2.8$)



Summary and Conclusion

- » **Demand-oriented volume flow control** recommended to avoid
 - under-heating in kitchen and living room,
 - over-heating in sleeping rooms
- » **Post-heater** for better comfort (in bathroom) and individual room control (in corridor, living room)
 - Robust control required,
 - risk of performance drop with electric heater,
 - Better performance with **additional hydronic loop** from DHW store



