

# Pompes à chaleur dans le résidentiel collectif: Du retour d'expérience à la généralisation par simulation

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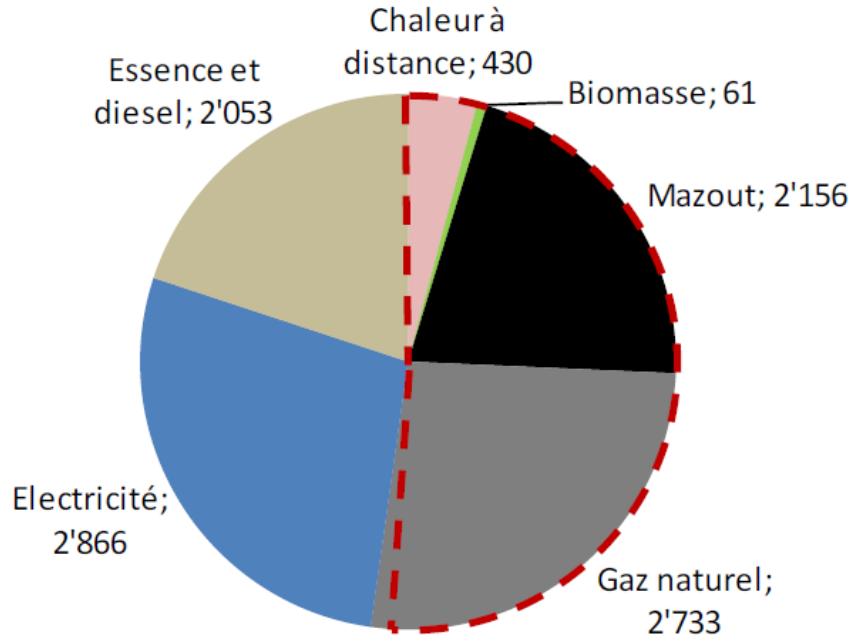


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Consommation d'énergie finale dans le canton GE en 2014 (GWh/an)



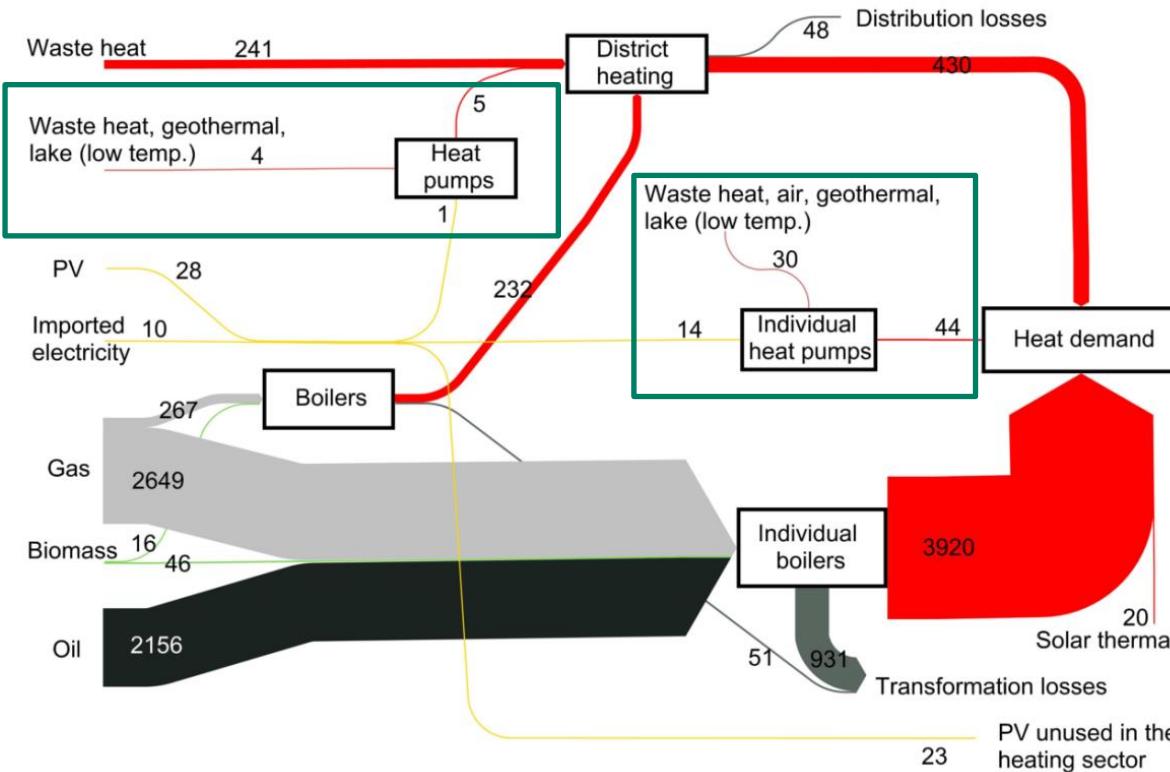
Besoins de chaleur  
(2014, in GWh/yr)

Objectifs du canton pour ce secteur à l'horizon 2035:  
moins 18% des besoins  
Plus 34% de renouvelables

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Approvisionnement chaleur des bâtiments du canton en 2014 (GWh/an)



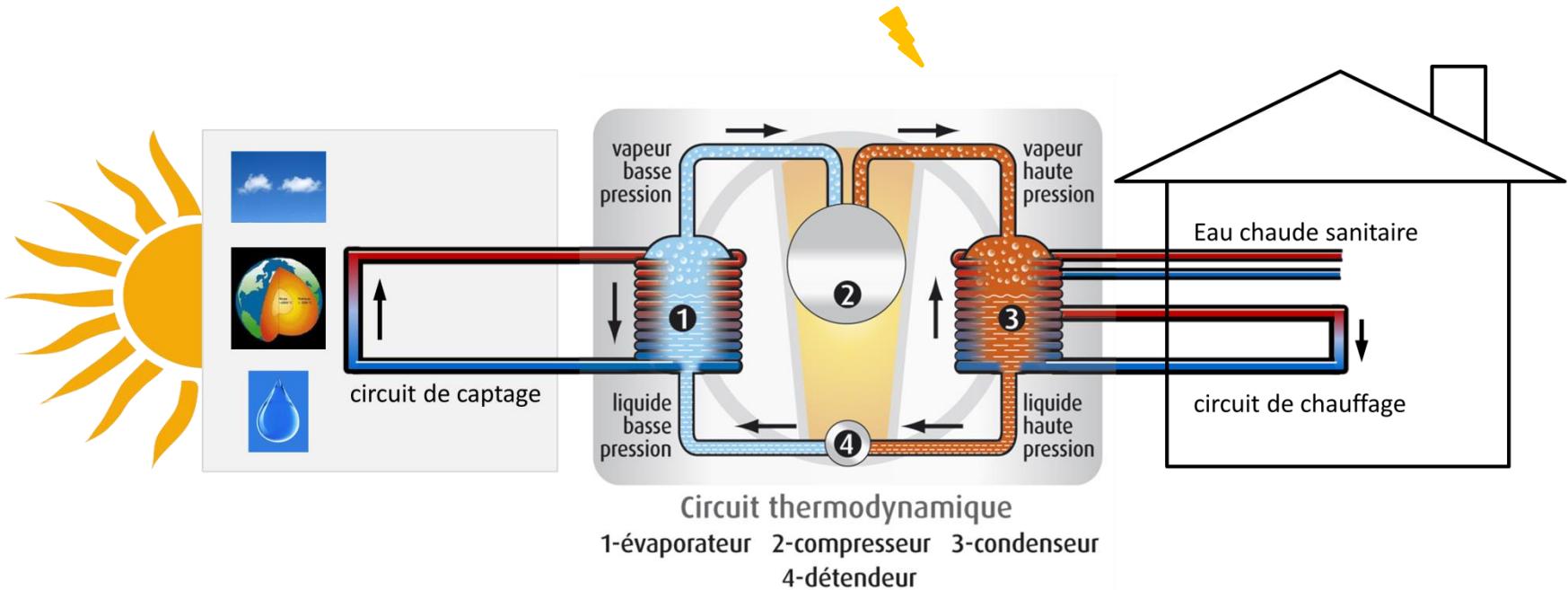
Pompes à chaleur



Energie renouvelable  
(ou chaleur fatale)

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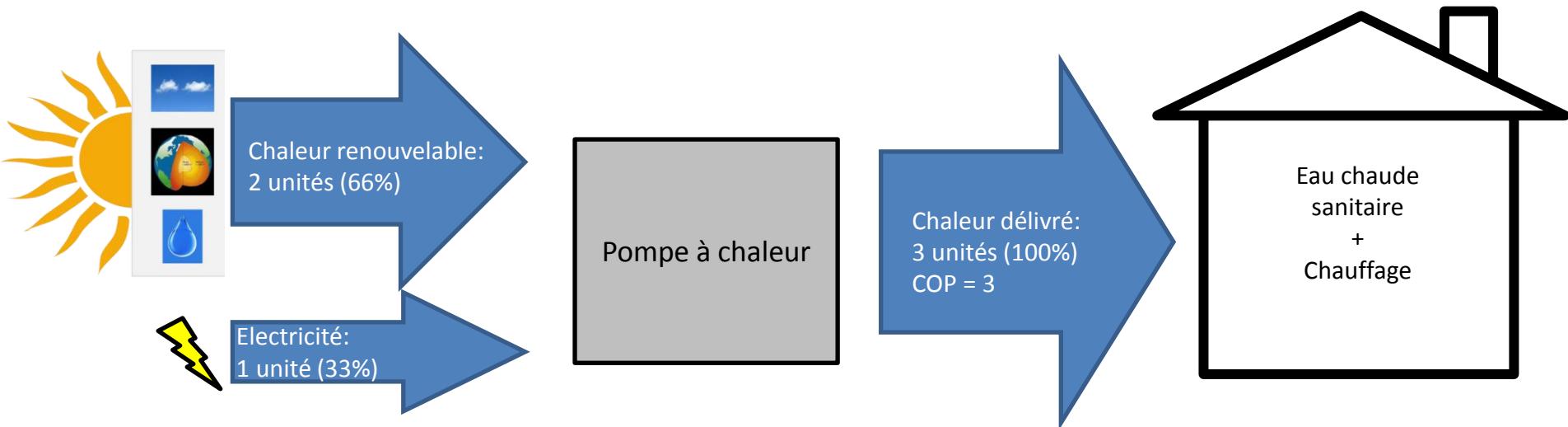
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HP technology context



$$\text{Coefficient de performance : } COP = \frac{\text{Puissance thermique produite}}{\text{Puissance électrique consommée}}$$

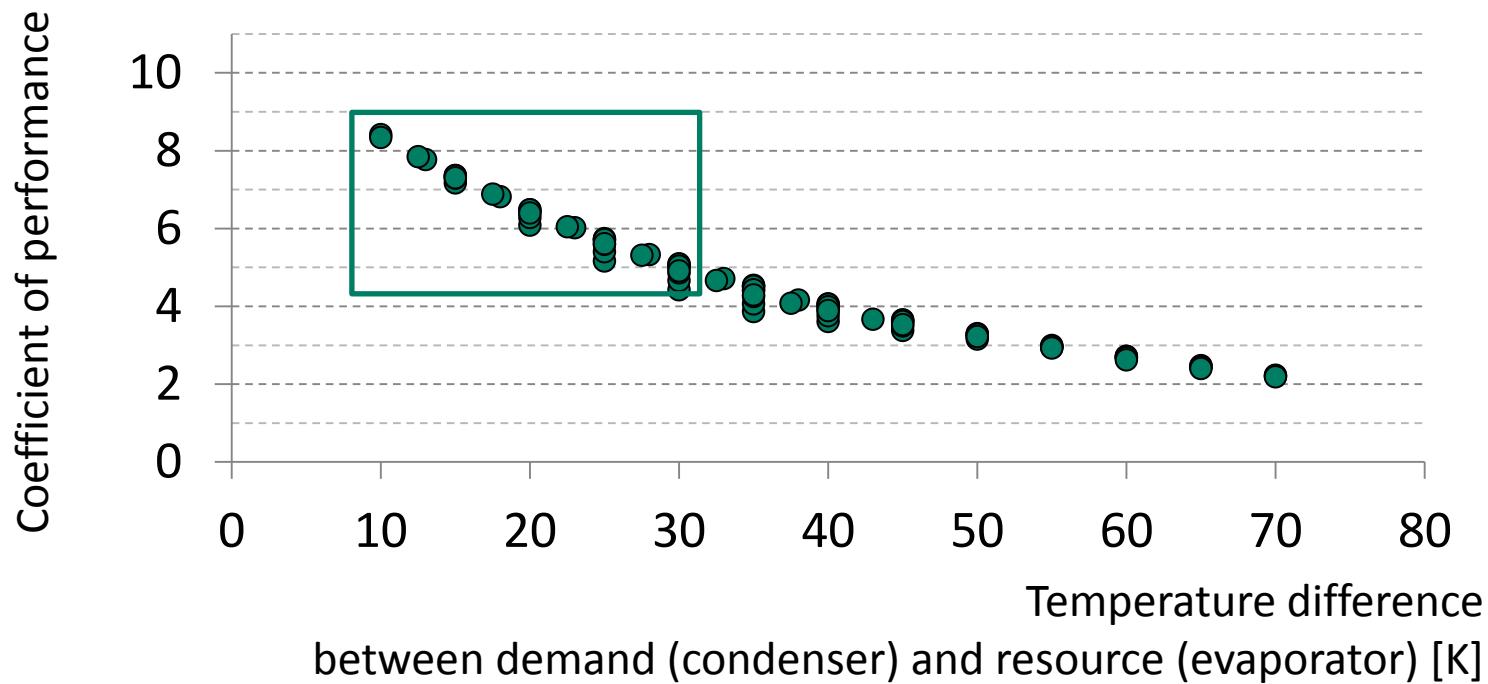
Performance dépend des températures : de la ressource et de la demande

$$COP = \eta \cdot \frac{T_{\text{demand}}}{T_{\text{demand}} - T_{\text{ressource}}}$$

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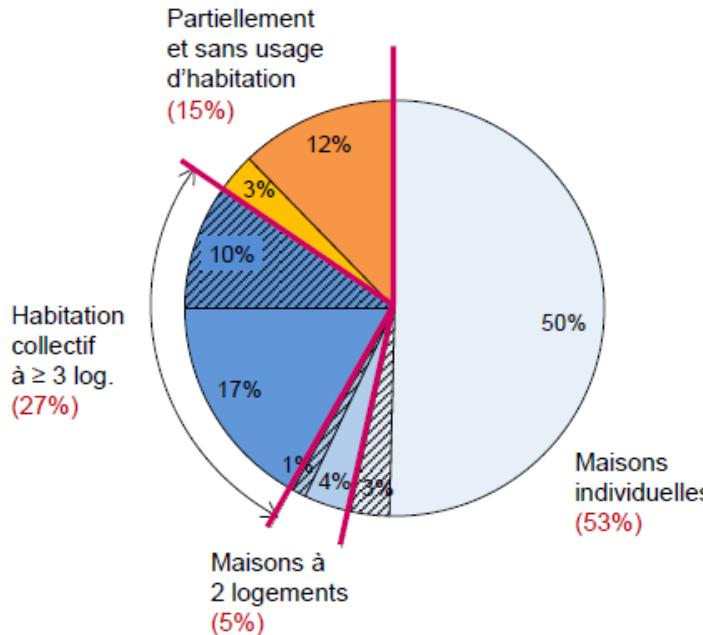
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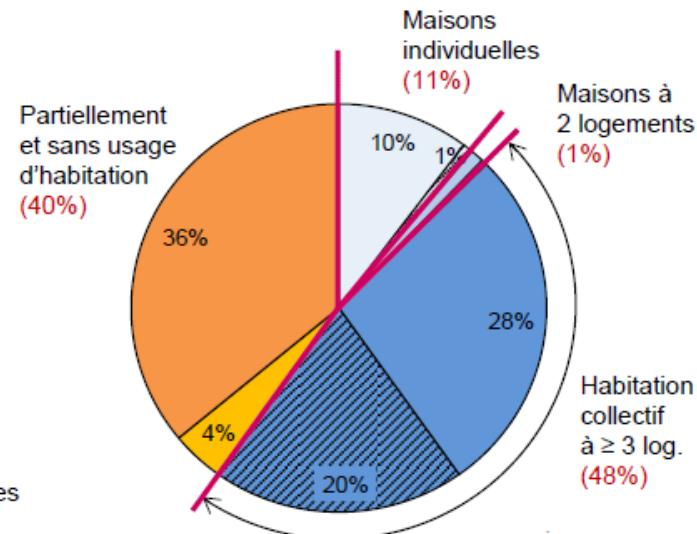
Bâtiments



47'000 bâtiments

- avec activités
- 100% logements

Surfaces énergétiques



SRE = 41 mio m<sup>2</sup>

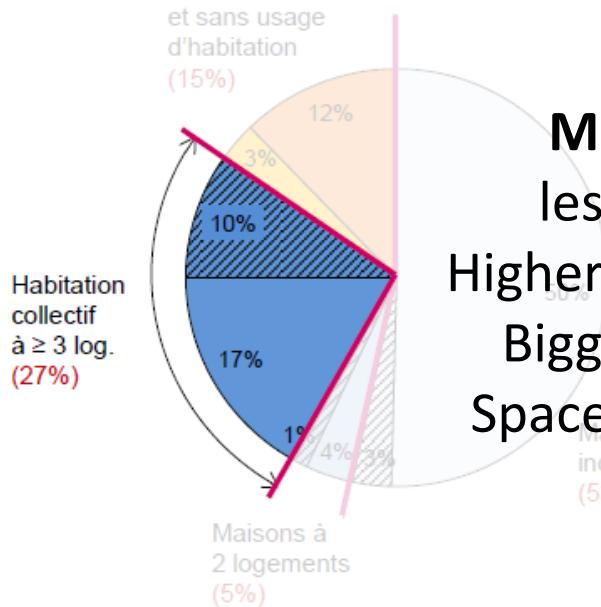
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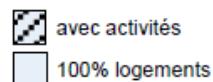
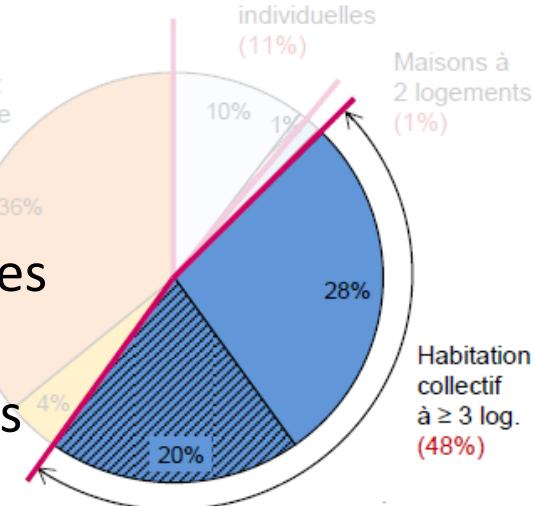
Geneva context

Building stock in 2010:

**27% of the buildings = 48% of the heated surface**



**MFB ≠ SFH**  
less studied  
Higher DHW shares  
Bigger systems  
Space constraints



12'602 bâtiments

SRE = 19.3 mio m<sup>2</sup>

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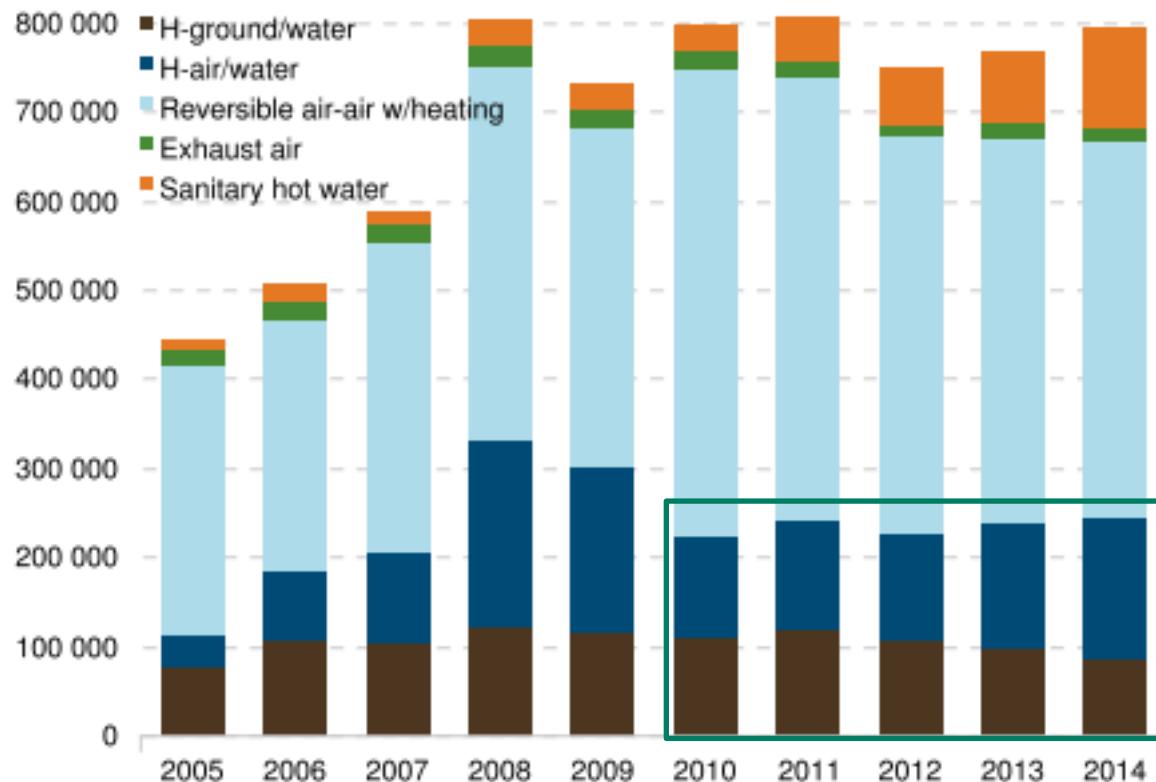
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# 1. Analysis of an innovative solar assisted HP system



Source: EHPA, 2015

Figure 1-1: Development of heat pump sales in Europe 2005–2014, by category

Market dominated by air and ground HPs  
Air

Variable  $T_{source}$ ,  $\downarrow$  Winter  
 $COP \sim 2.8$

## Ground

More stable  $T_{source}$ ,  $\nearrow$  Winter  
 $COP \sim 3.7$

Space/implementation constraints

## Solar

Improve Air  $T_{source}$  ?

Improve  $COP_{Air}$  ?

Less space/implementation constraints than Ground ?

# 1. Analysis of an innovative solar assisted HP system

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Monitored building

Energy concept

System operation modes and priorities

Monitoring results

Conclusions

# Monitored building

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## Solarcity (Satigny)

Minergie building complex (built 2010)

- 4 buildings / 10 blocks
- 1 block monitored in detail:
  - 927 m<sup>2</sup> heated surface
  - Space heating (SH) ~20 kWh/m<sup>2</sup>/yr  
(good thermal envelope)
  - Domestic hot water (DHW) ~50 kWh/m<sup>2</sup>/an (high)

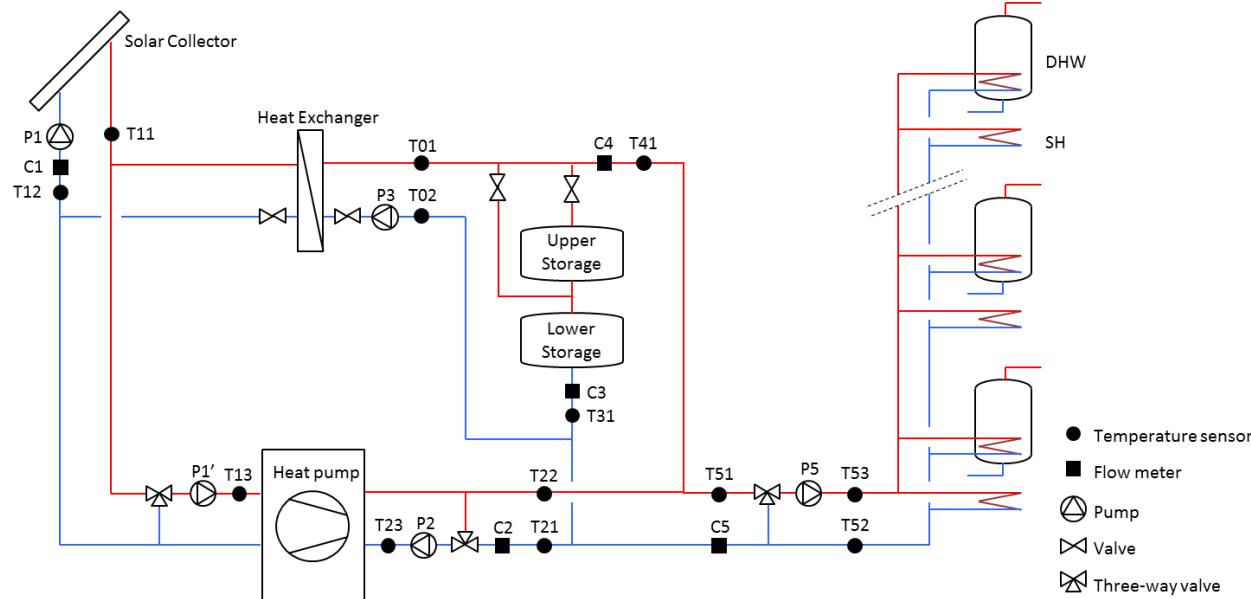


# Energy concept

## Solarcity (Satigny)

### Heating system (per block)

- 116 m<sup>2</sup> unglazed solar collectors
- Heat pump: 35 kWth, COP: 4.5 (B0/W35)
- Centralized heat storage: 6000 lit
- Backup electric heating (HP failure)

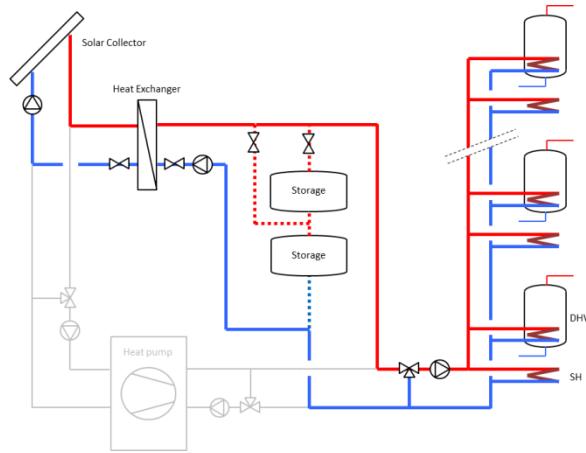


### Heat distribution

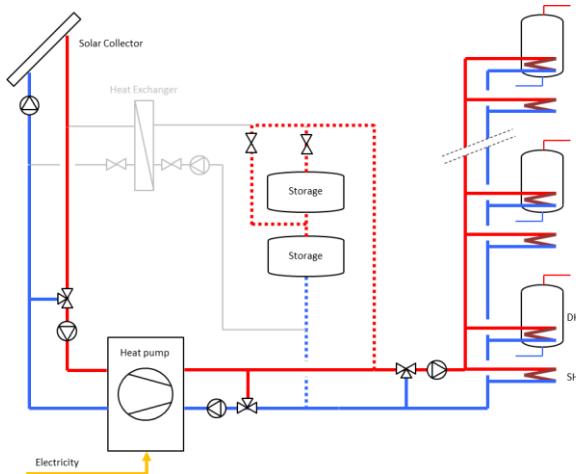
- Alternate SH/DHW distribution
- Decentralized DHW storage: 300 lit per flat
- Floor heating (30 °C)

# System operation modes and priorities

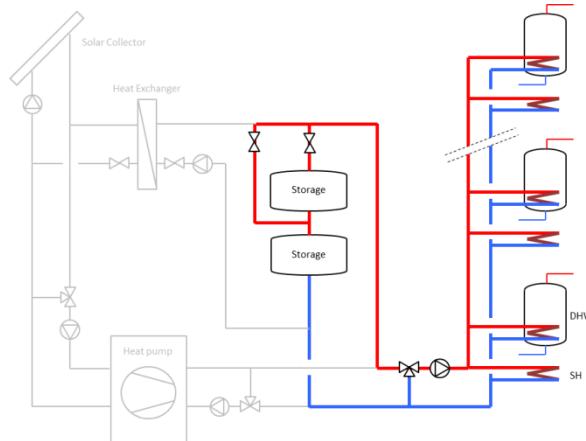
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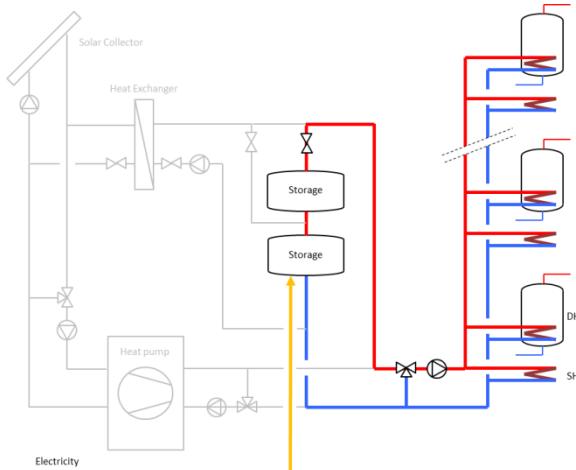
3) Solar/Ambient → HP → Building and/or storage



2) Storage → Building

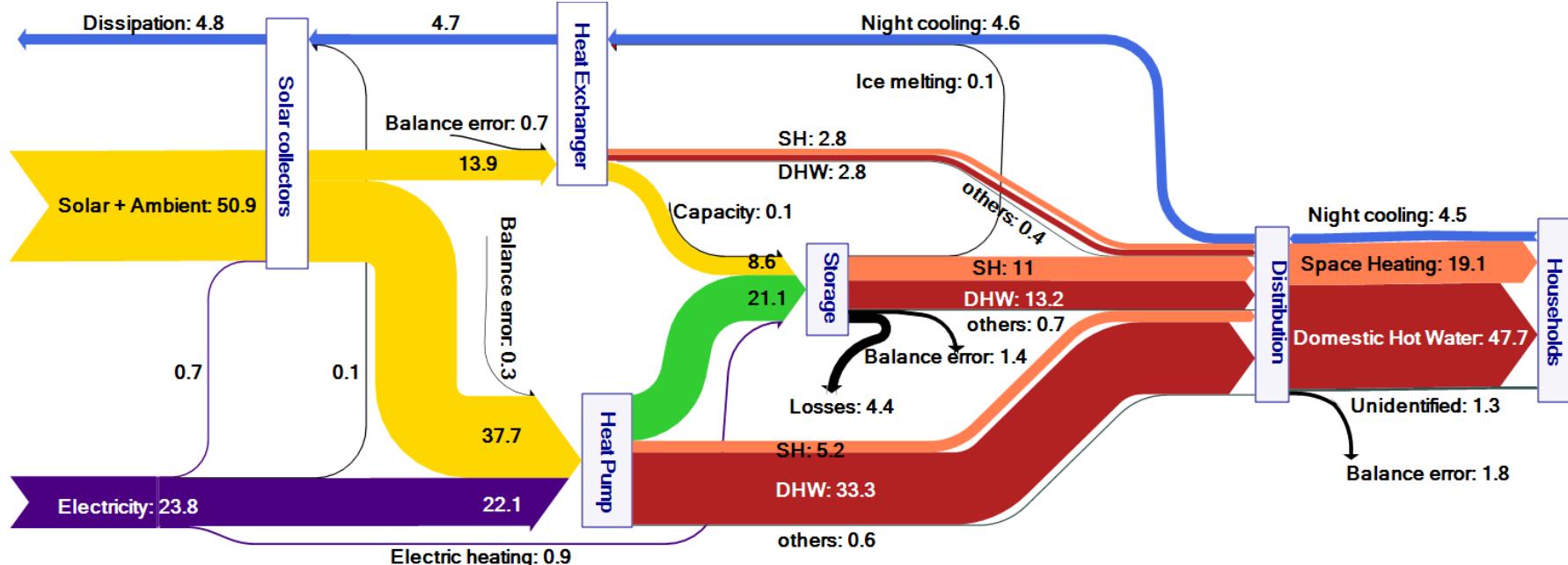


4) Backup electric heating



# Monitoring results

## Energy flows of the studied building block, 2012 (units: kWh/m<sup>2</sup>)



### Input:

- Renewable heat: 68% (direct solar: 19%)
- Electricity HP: 30%
- Electricity backup: 1%
- Electricity auxiliaries: 1%
- Renewable energy: 100% (green elec.)

### Performance:

- SPF HP: 2.7 (monthly COP HP 2.5 – 3, even in summer because HP only for DHW at 60°C)
- SPF System: 2.9 (2.5 in winter, 4.4 in summer)
- Total electricity: 24 kWh/m<sup>2</sup>

### Storage:

- 28% of HP production to storage

# 1. Conclusions

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- excellent system reliability
- electric backup hardly needs to be used
- Absolute electric consumption ( $24 \text{ kWh/m}^2/\text{yr}$ ) reasonable due to a low thermal demand ( $68 \text{ kWh/m}^2/\text{yr}$ )

## Why SPF system of 2.9, when ~ 5 expected?

1. single heat distribution circuit with decentralized DHW storage, no solar preheating
2. excess heat for DHW ( $60^\circ\text{C}$ ) stored, for subsequent SH ( $30^\circ\text{C}$ )
3. low SH with high DHW (30% and 70%)  
heat produced at a high temperature ( $60^\circ\text{C}$ );
4. no insulation of the unglazed solar collectors

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Numerical model

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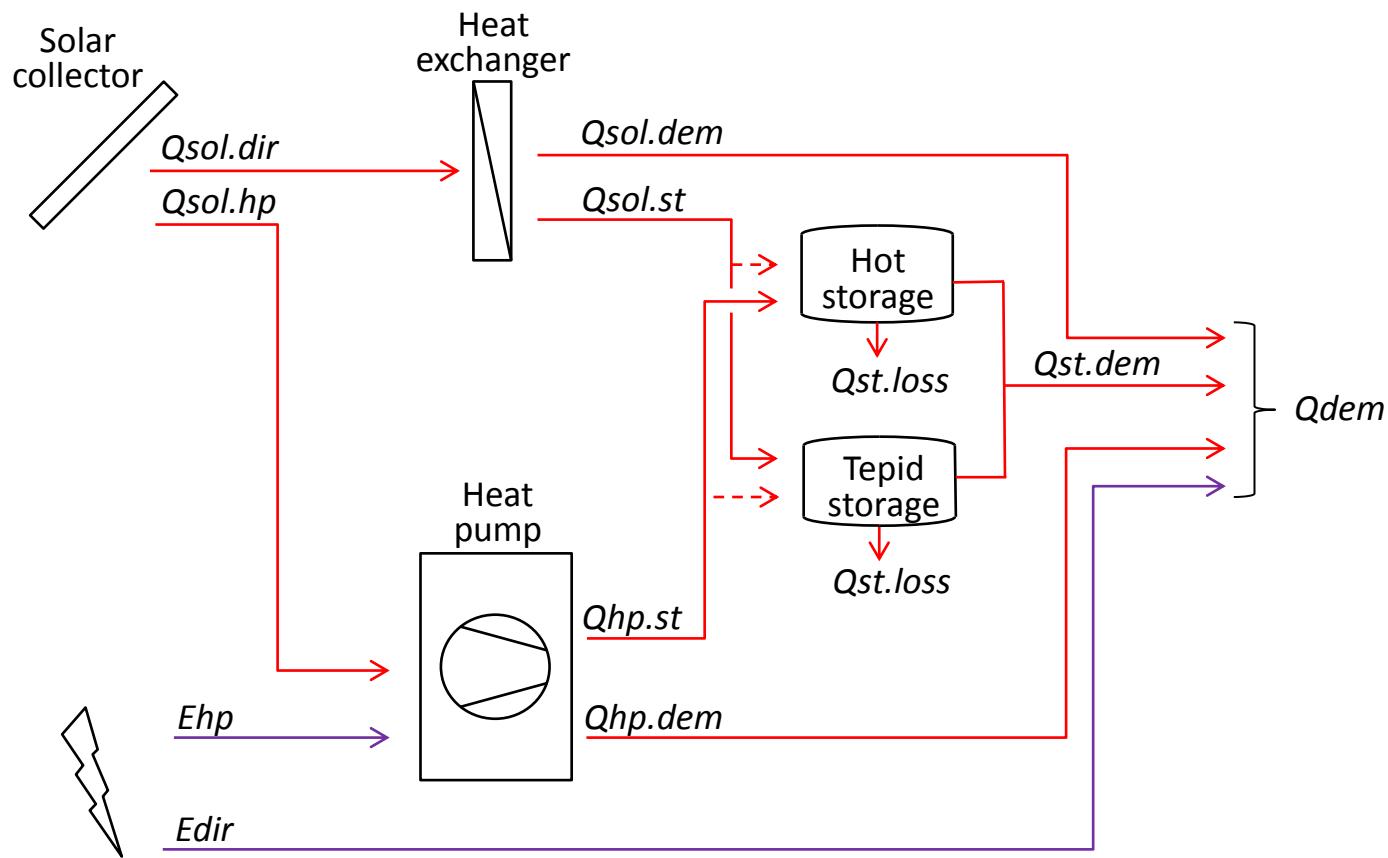
Normalization to standard distribution/centralized heat storage

Sensitivity to heat demand

Sensitivity to solar collector area

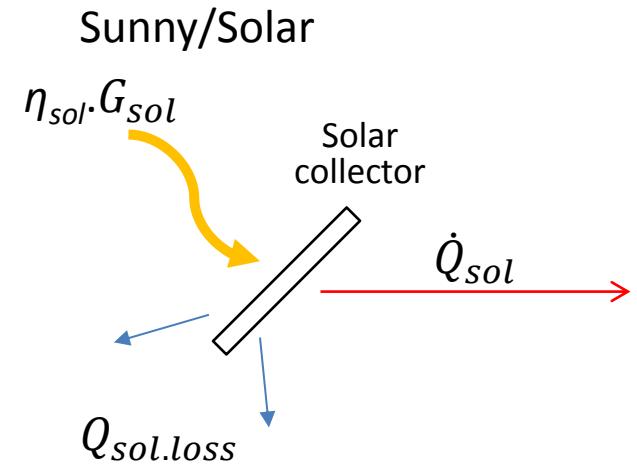
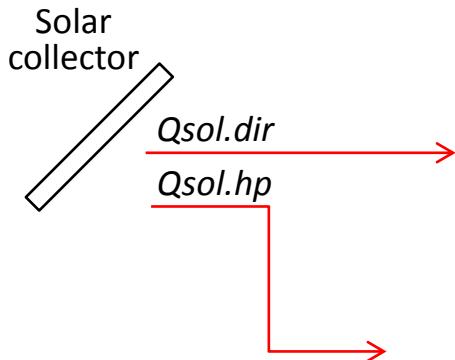
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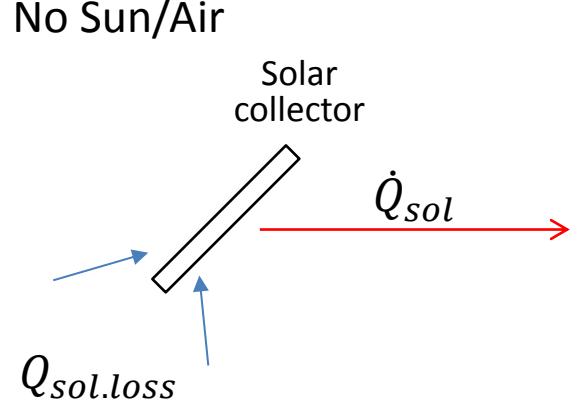
## Solar collectors



$$\dot{Q}_{sol} = A_{sol}(\eta_{sol}G_{sol} - Q_{sol.loss})$$

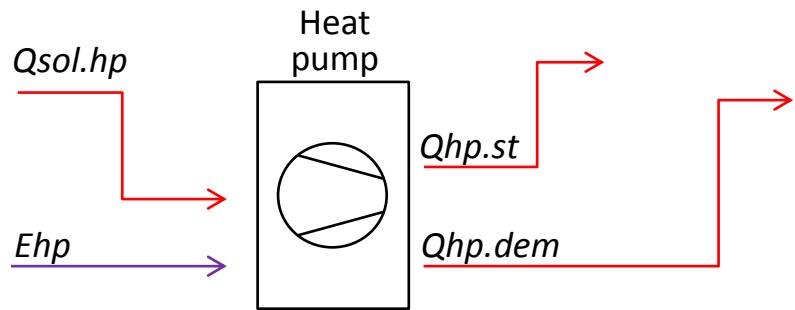
$$Q_{sol.loss} = (h_{sol,o} + h_{sol,v}\nu)(T_{sol} - T_{ext})$$

$$\dot{Q}_{sol} = Q_{sol.dir} + Q_{sol.hp}$$



# Numerical model

## Heat pump



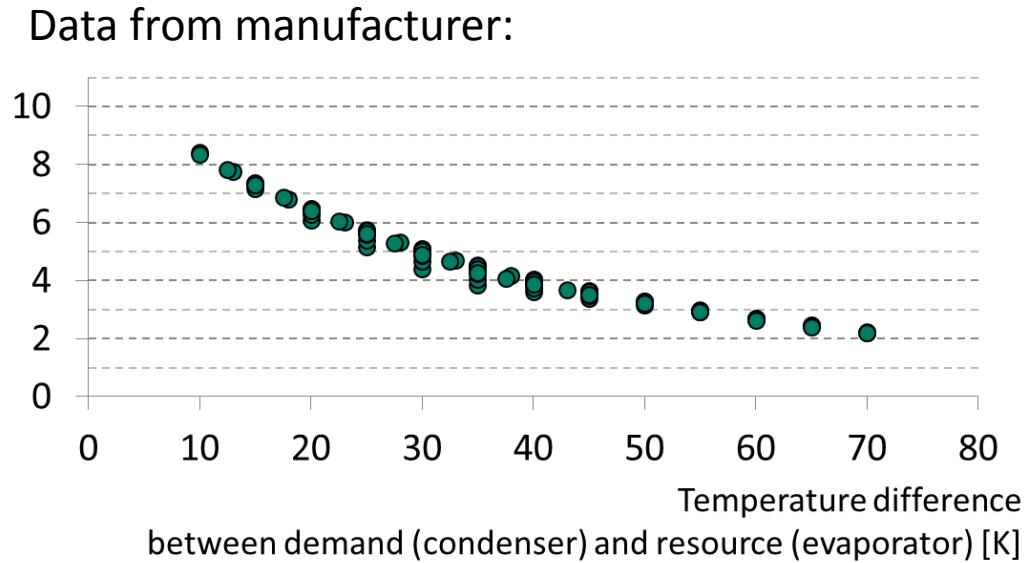
$$\dot{Q}_{hp} = f(T_{cond}, T_{evap})$$

$$\dot{E}_{hp} = f(T_{cond}, T_{evap})$$

$$\dot{Q}_{evap} = \dot{Q}_{hp} - \dot{E}_{hp}$$

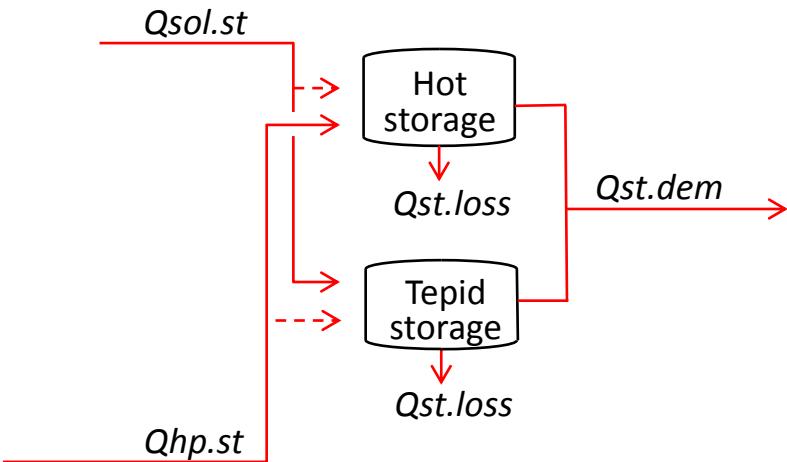
$$COP = \frac{\dot{Q}_{hp}}{\dot{E}_{hp}}$$

Coefficient of performance



# Numerical model

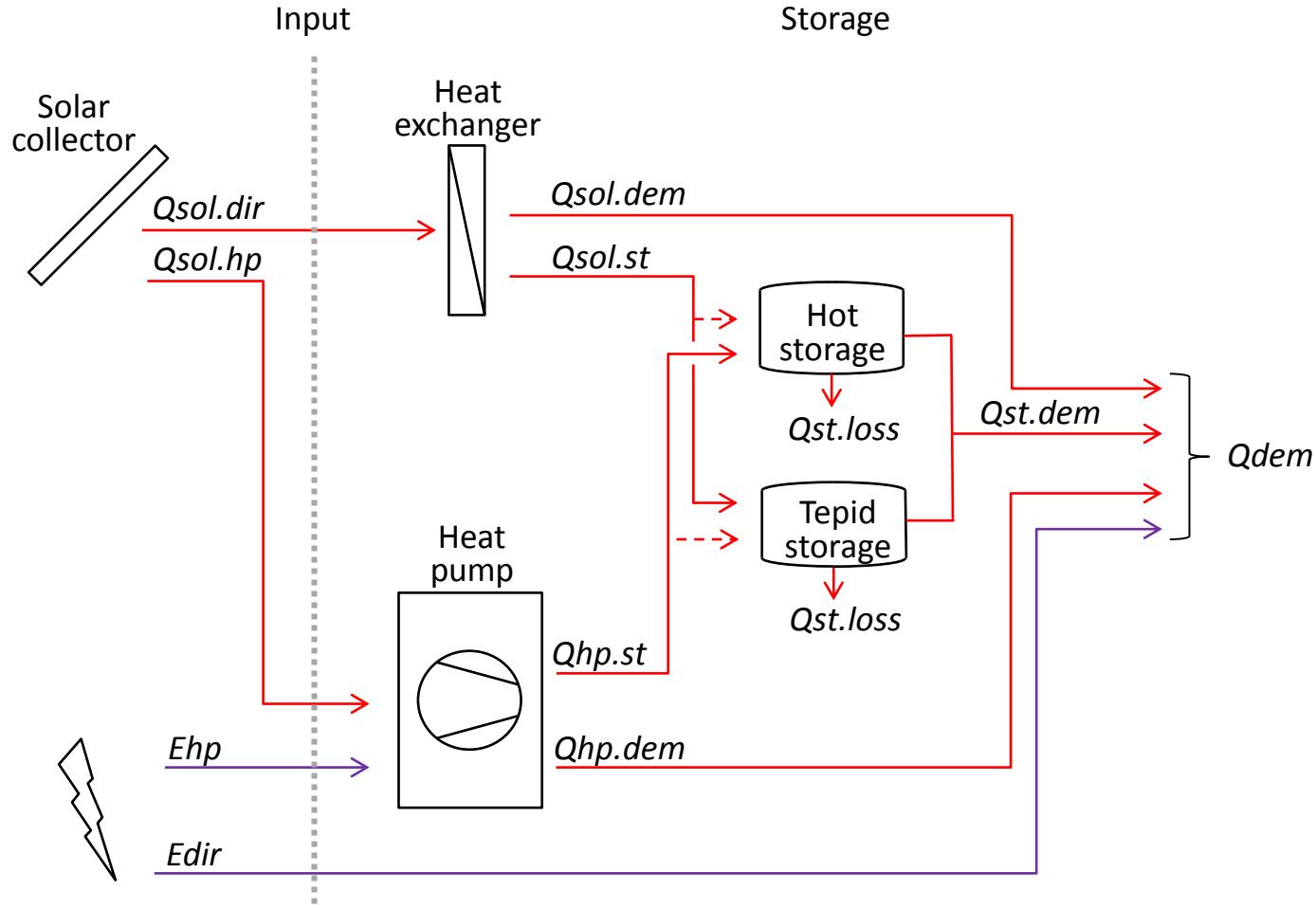
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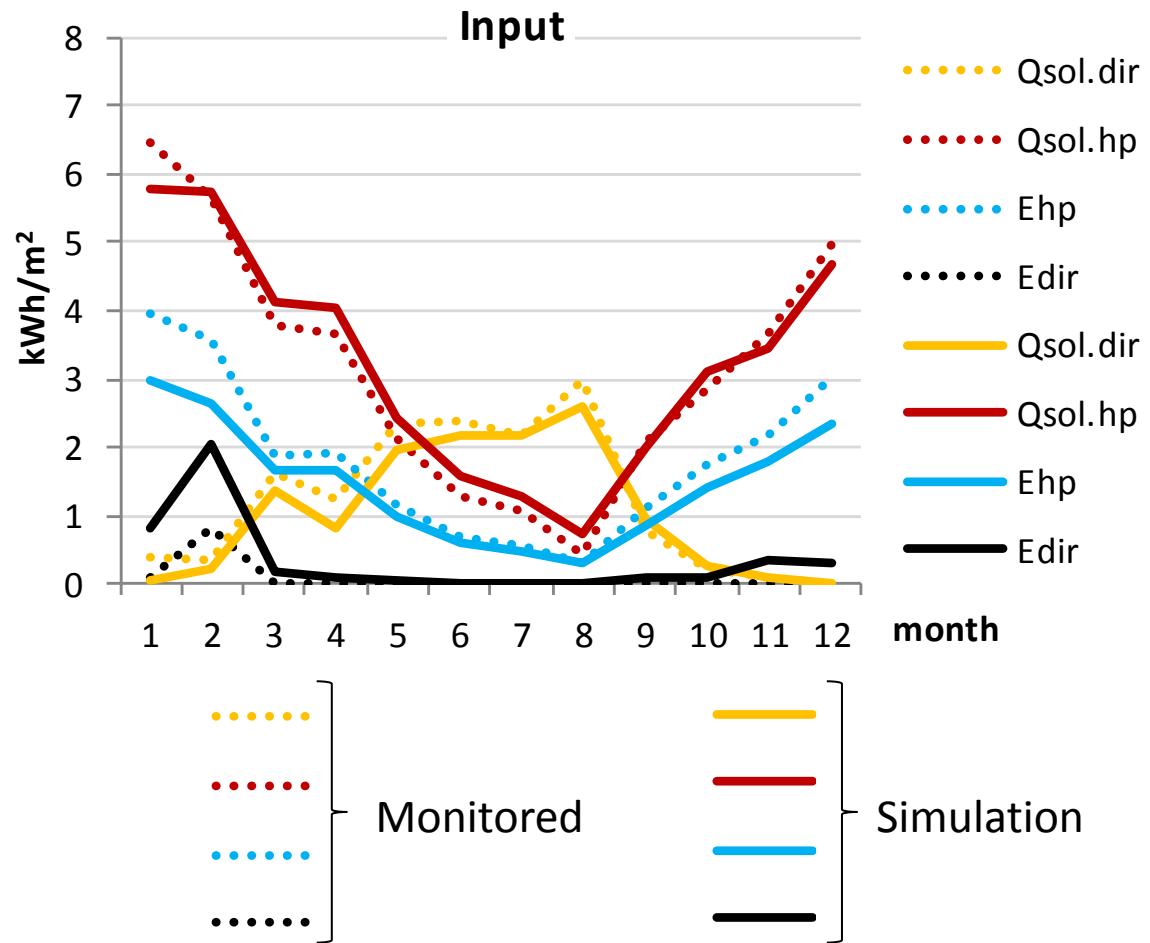
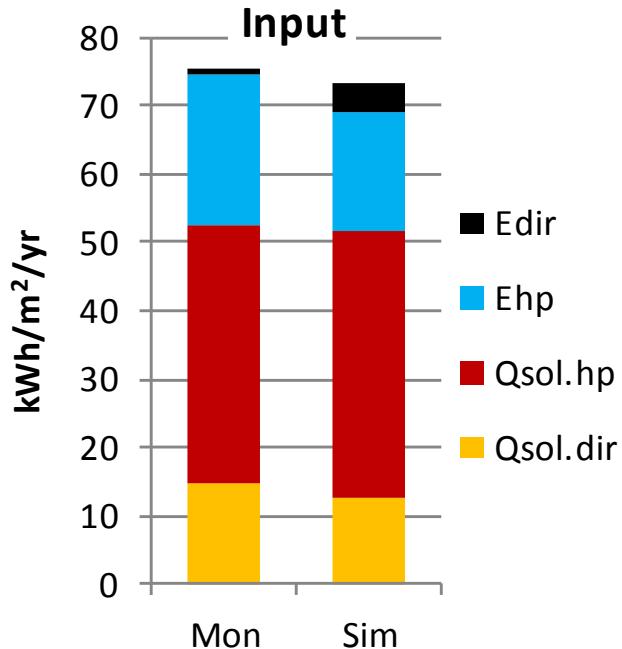
$$\dot{Q}_{st,in} - \dot{Q}_{st,out} - \dot{Q}_{st,loss} = V_{st} c_{wat} \rho_{wat} (T_{st} - T_{st,t-1}) / dt$$

$$\dot{Q}_{st,loss} = A_{st} h_{st} (T_{st,t-1} - T_{room})$$

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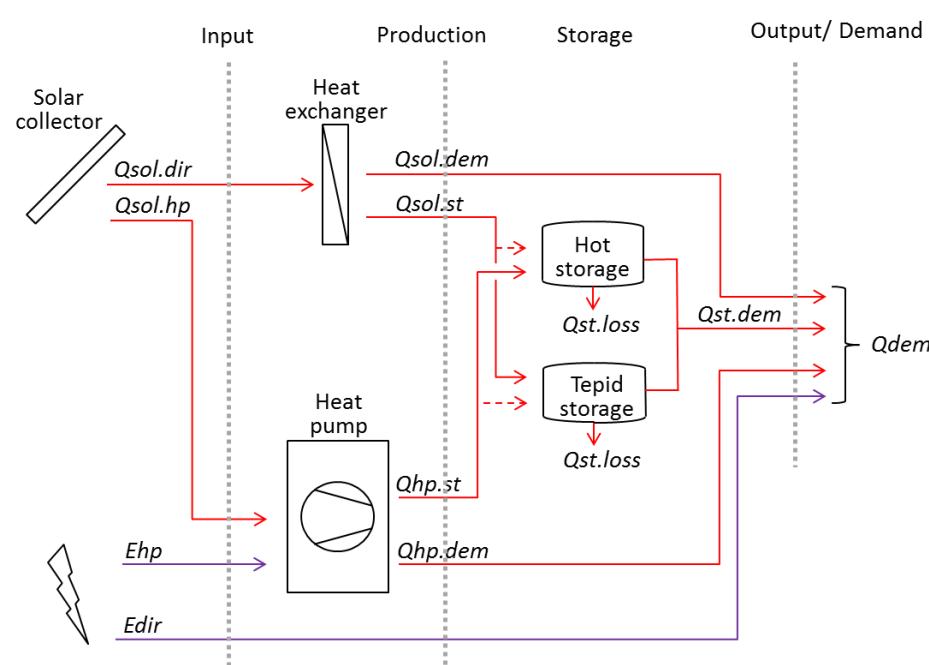


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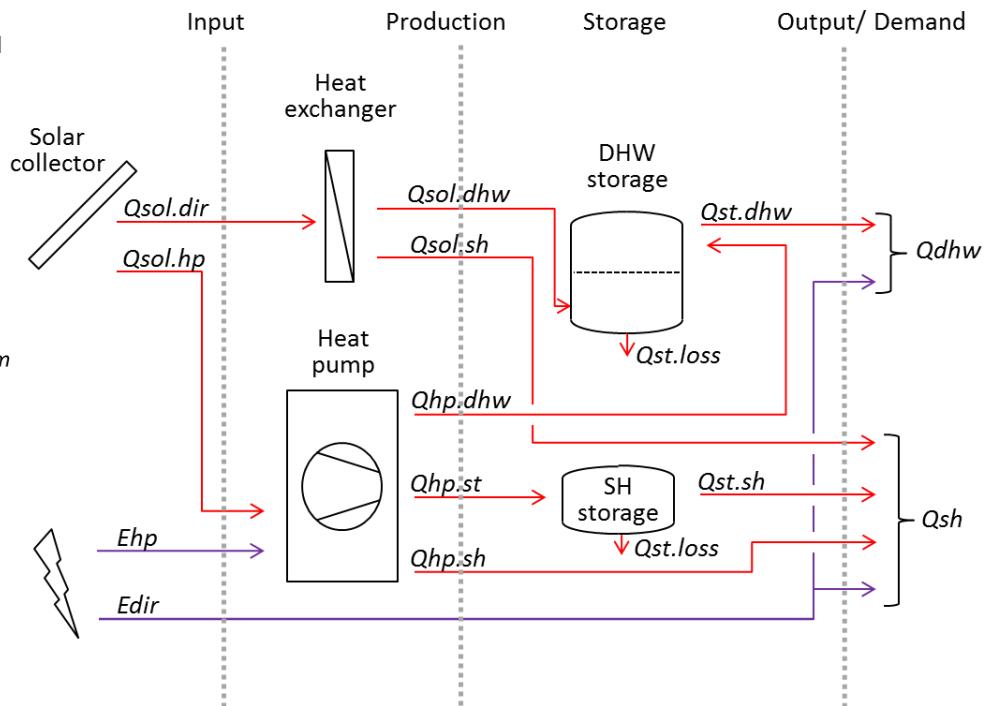


# Normalization to standard heat storage/distribution

## Decentralized DHW

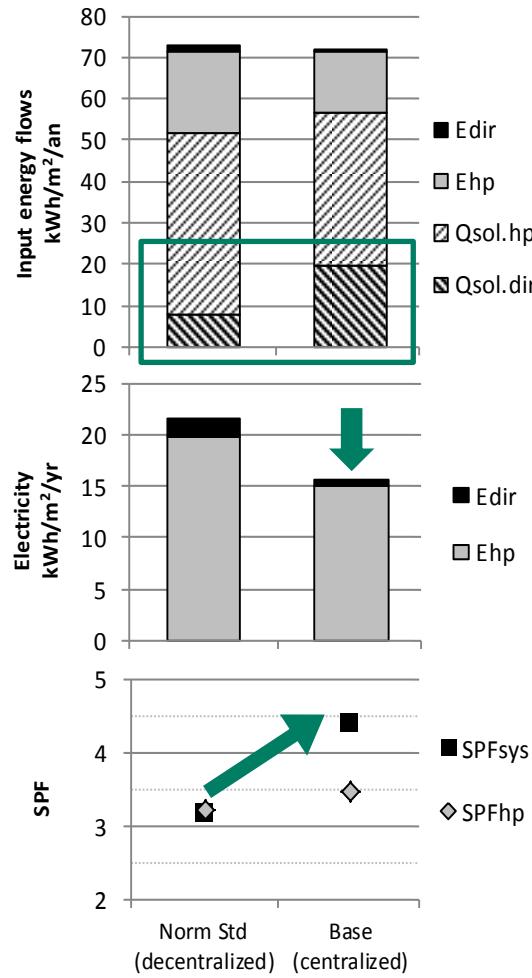


## Centralized DHW



Identical components in both layouts

# Normalization to standard distribution/heat storage



For the overall system performance:  
System configuration is as important as  
individual components performance

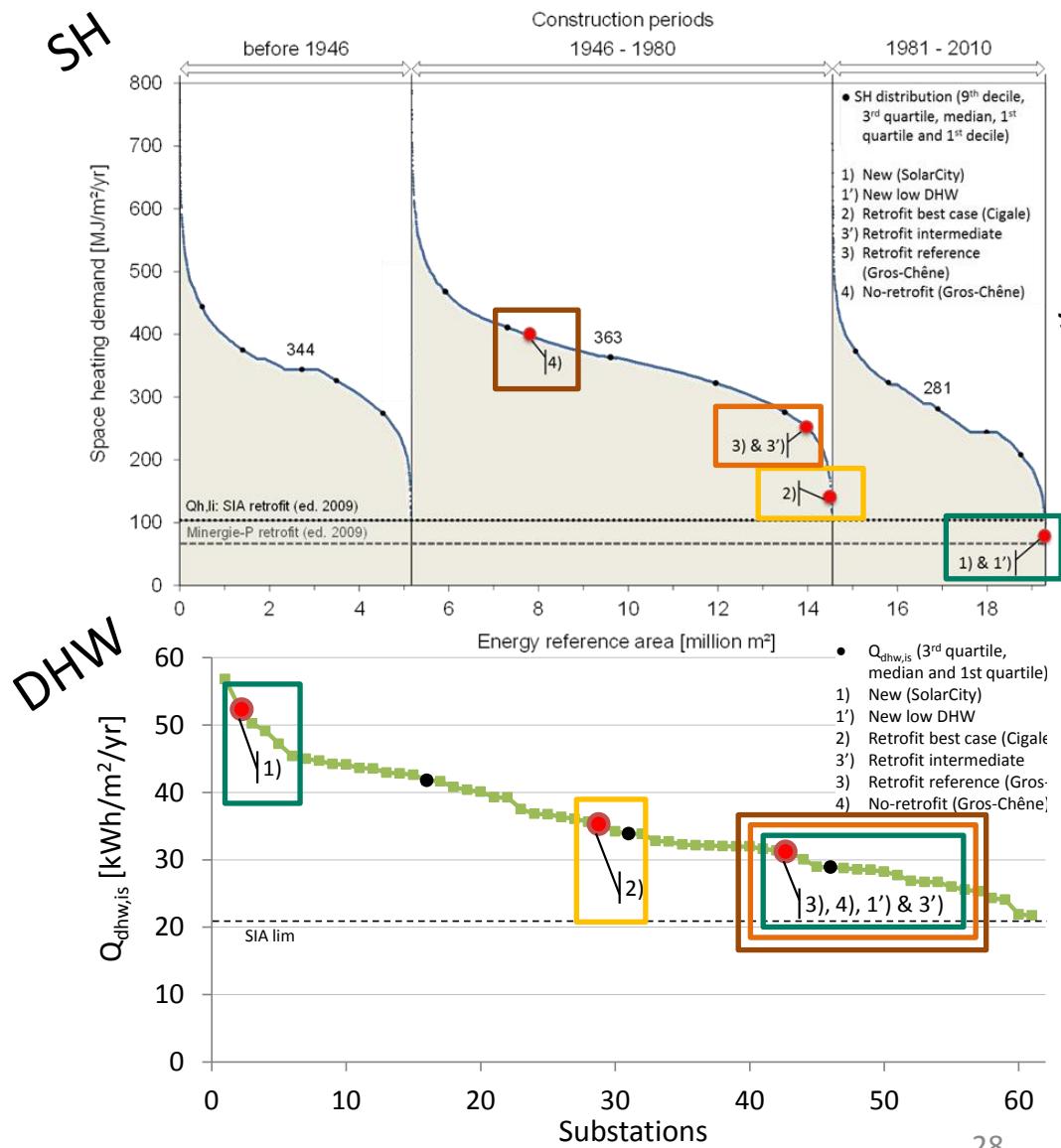
# Sensitivity to heat demand

## Building sample

- 1) New, high DHW
  - 1') New
  - 2) Retrofit best case
  - 3') Retrofit intermediate
  - 3) Retrofit reference
  - 4) No-retrofit
- $T_{sh}$
- $T_{sh} 30^{\circ}\text{C}$
- $T_{sh} 40^{\circ}\text{C}$
- $T_{sh} 50^{\circ}\text{C}$

## Case study

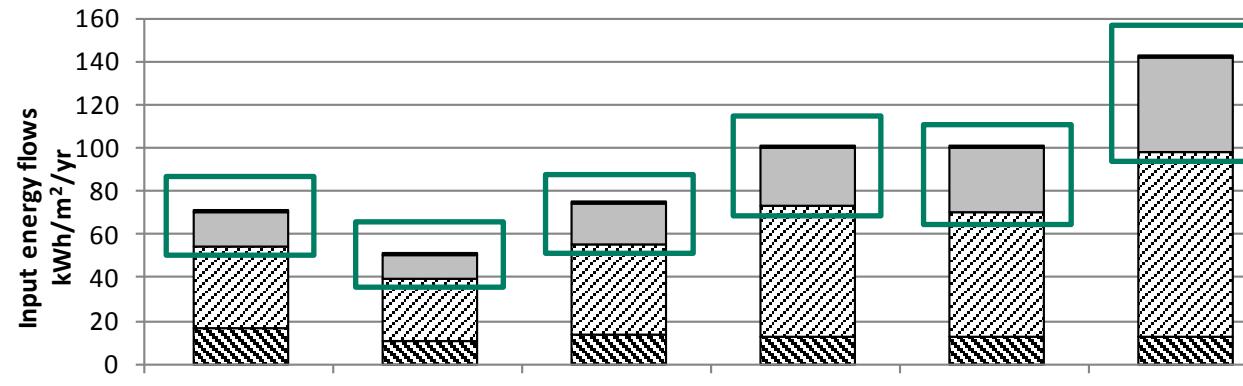
- (1) Solar City
- (1') Solar City, adapted
- (2) Cigale
- (3') Gros Chêne, adapted
- (3) Gros Chêne, build. A
- (4) Gros Chêne, build. B



Source: Khoury, 2014

Source: Quiquerez, 2017

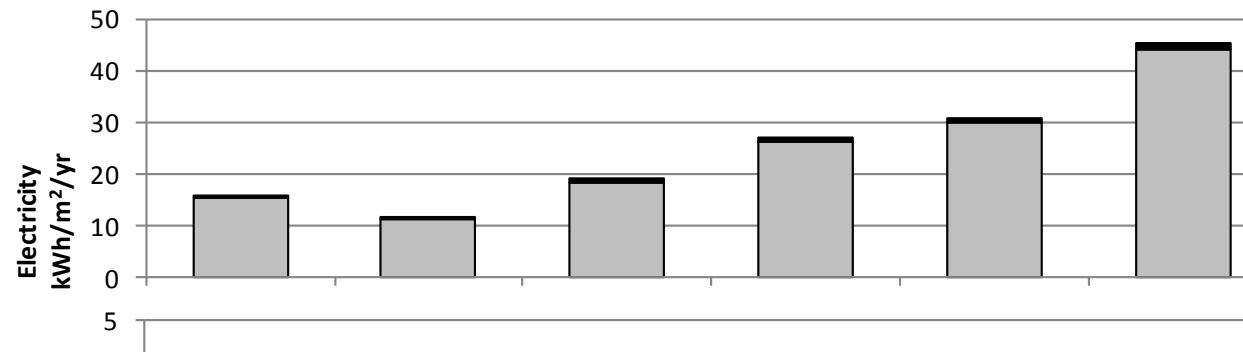
# Sensitivity to heat demand



In relative values:

$$E_{dir} < 1\%$$

$E_{tot}$ : 24% to 33%



In absolute value:

From 16 to 45

kWh/m<sup>2</sup>/yr

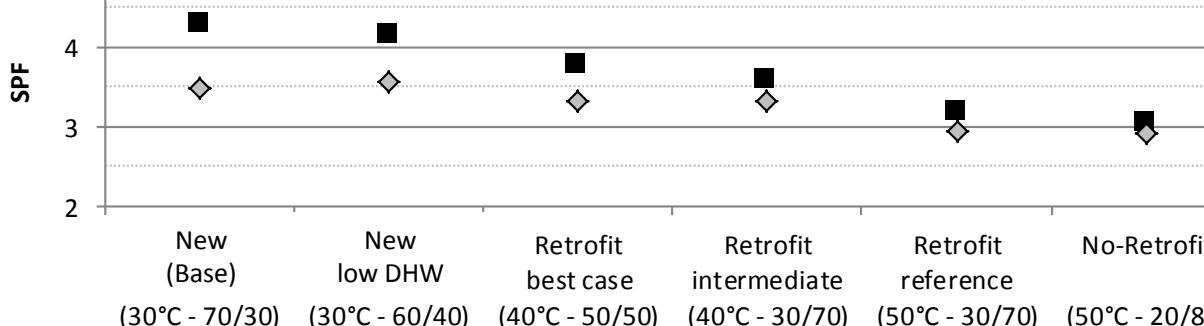
$E_{hp}$

$SPF_{sys}$

$SPF_{hp}$

Sizing:  
 $A_{sol} = 3.32 \text{ m}^2/\text{kW}_{hp}$  ?

HP 100%  $Q_{dem}$



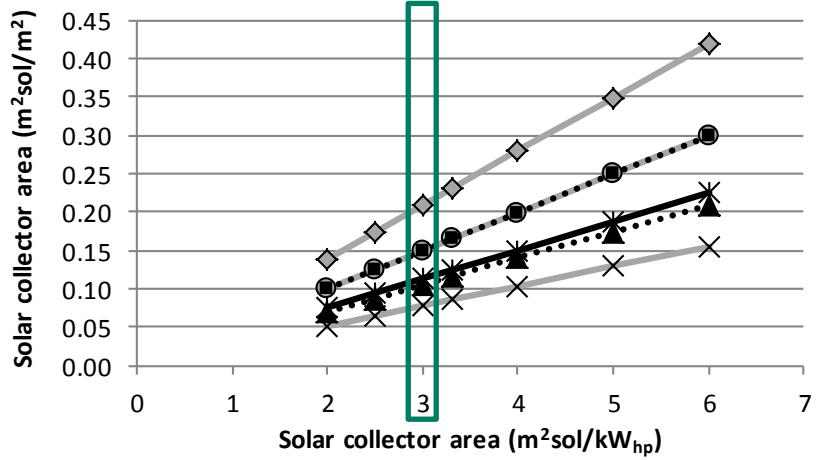
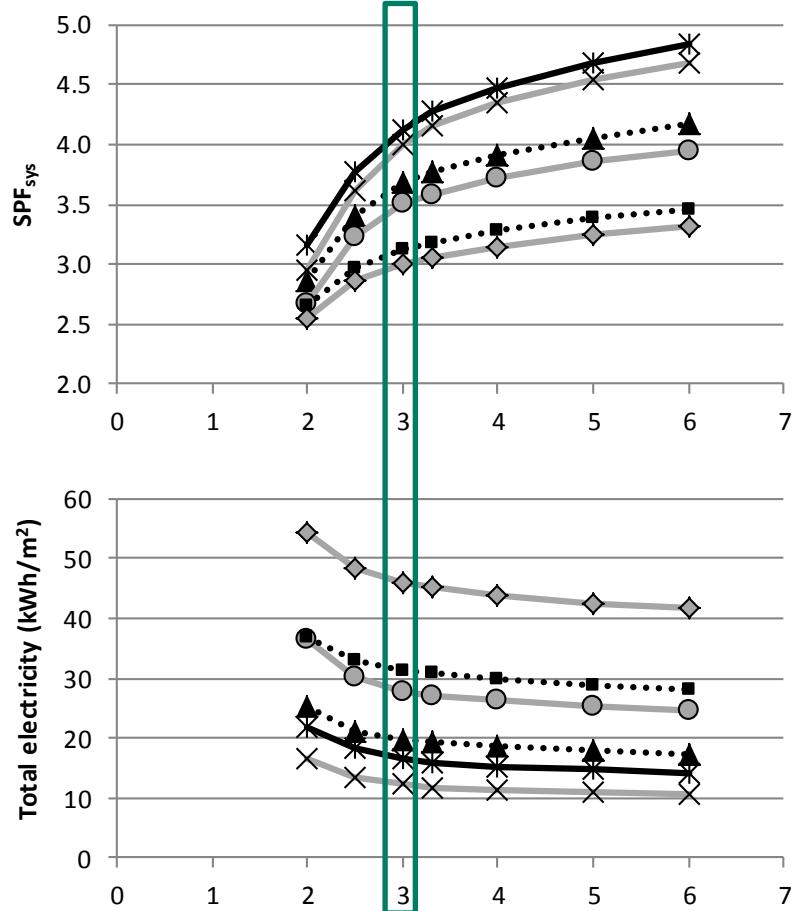
Space constraints:

$A_{sol}/$  heated area  
 $0.13$  to  $0.23 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}^2$

(~8 floors to ~3 floors)

# Sensitivity to solar collector area

For Geneva's weather condition:  $3 \text{ m}^2/\text{kW}_{\text{hp}}$  (HP 100%  $Q_{\text{dem}}$ )



- \*— New / high DHW (30°C – 70/30)
- X— New (30°C – 60/40)
- ▲··· Retrofit / best case (40°C - 50/50)
- Retrofit / intermediate (40°C - 30/70)
- Retrofit / reference (50°C - 30/70)
- ◊··· No-retrofit (50°C - 20/80)

## 2. Conclusions

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**Why SPF system of 2.9, when ~ 5 expected?**

Due to decentralized DHW (no solar preheating)

With centralized DHW:  $SPF_{sys}$  4.4

For the overall system performance, system configuration is as important as individual components performance

**Can Solar HP system be used in Retrofitted and Non Retrofitted MFB buildings?**

New and Best Case Retrofitted MFB, yes.

Retrofitted and No-retrofitted, be careful with Electricity and Solar Area

**Can  $SPF_{sys}$  of 5 be achieved ?**

Yes, but only in New buildings, with low SH temperature and high collector area  
( $0.20 - 0.25 \text{ m}^2$  per  $\text{m}^2$  heated area → less than 4 storeys)

Moreover:

- available roof area is not unlimited
- doubling solar collector area for small electricity saving may not be worthwhile

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HP sources potential:

- Disregarding available area constraints
- HP & PV systems with available area constraints

Discussion

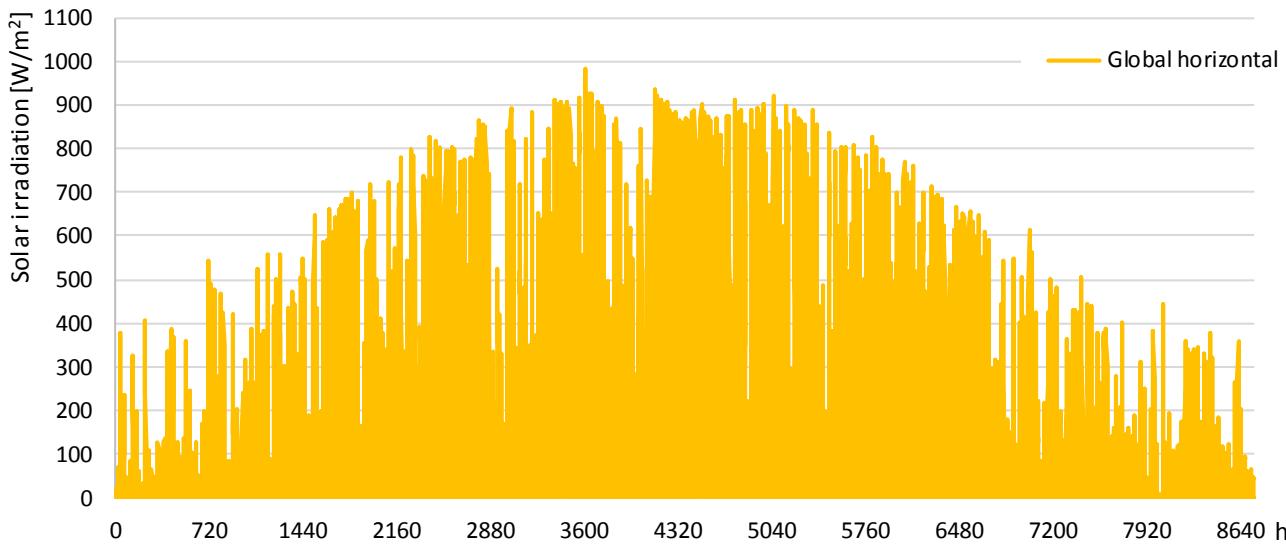
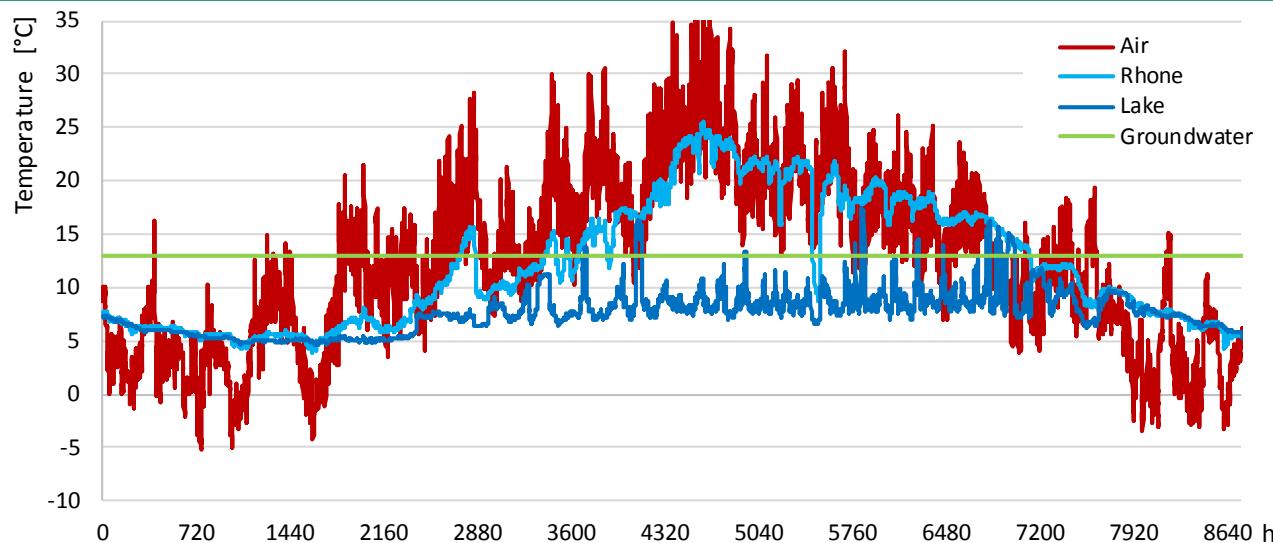
Potential effect on regional load curve

Conclusion

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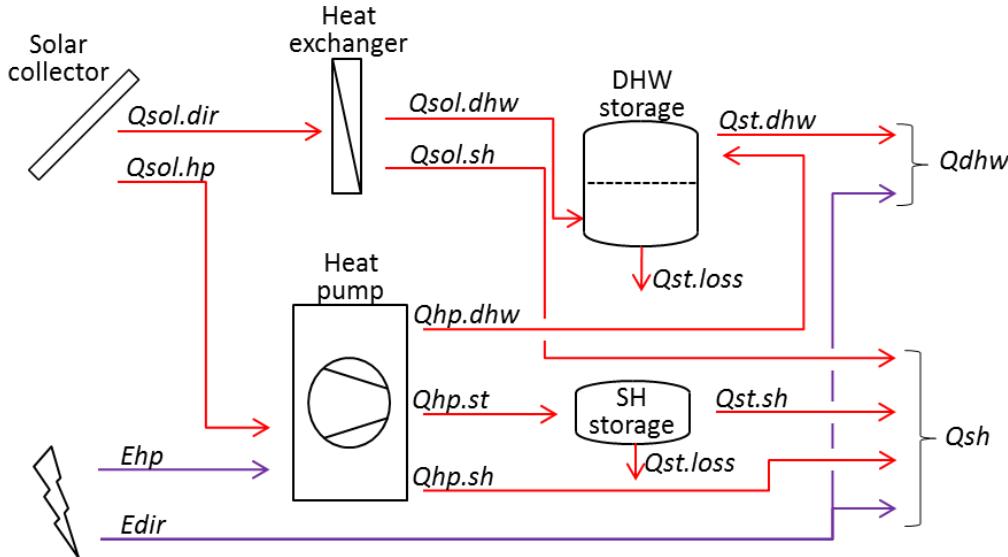
- Air
- Geothermal (boreholes)
- Lake (Geneva, 35m)
- River (Rhone)
- Groundwater
- Solar

Year: 2010



# System layout and sizing

## Solar HP system



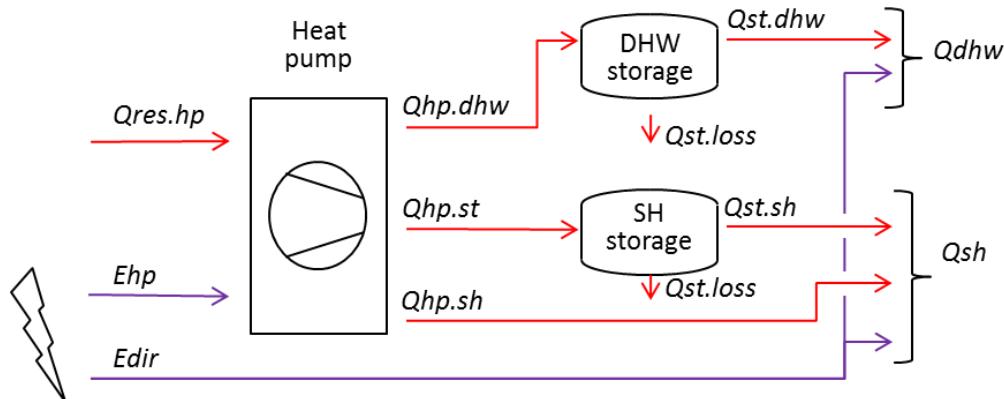
## Components size:

Solar:  $A_{sol}$  set to  $3 \text{ m}^2 / \text{kW}_{hp}$

Geothermal: 250m,  $36 \text{ m}^2/\text{borehole}$

Nb boreholes adjusted so that  $T_{geo} > 1.5 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  in 50 years  
Without recharge  
(simulation with pilesim)

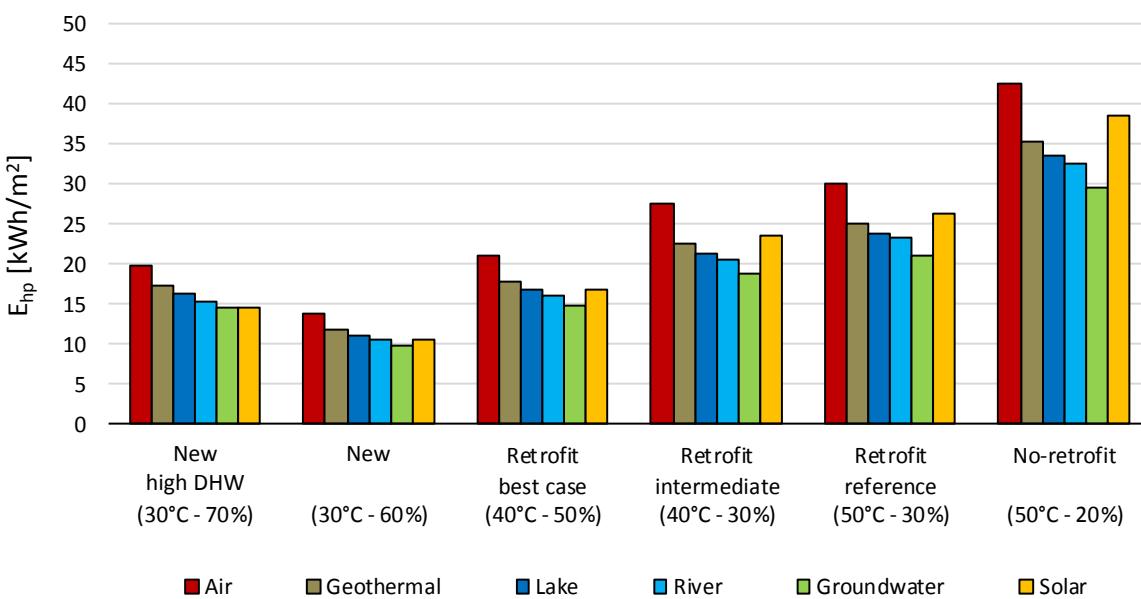
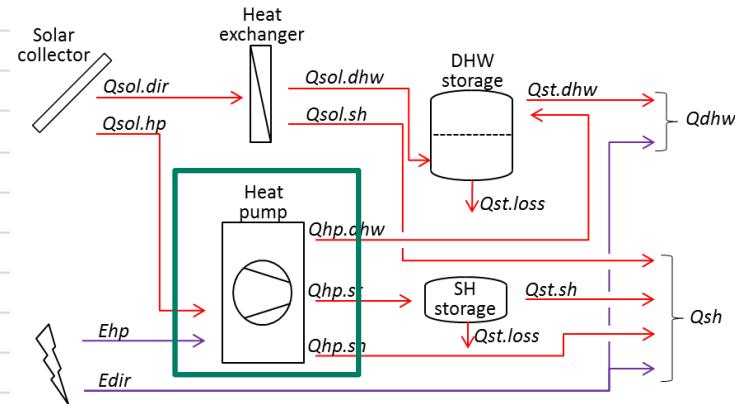
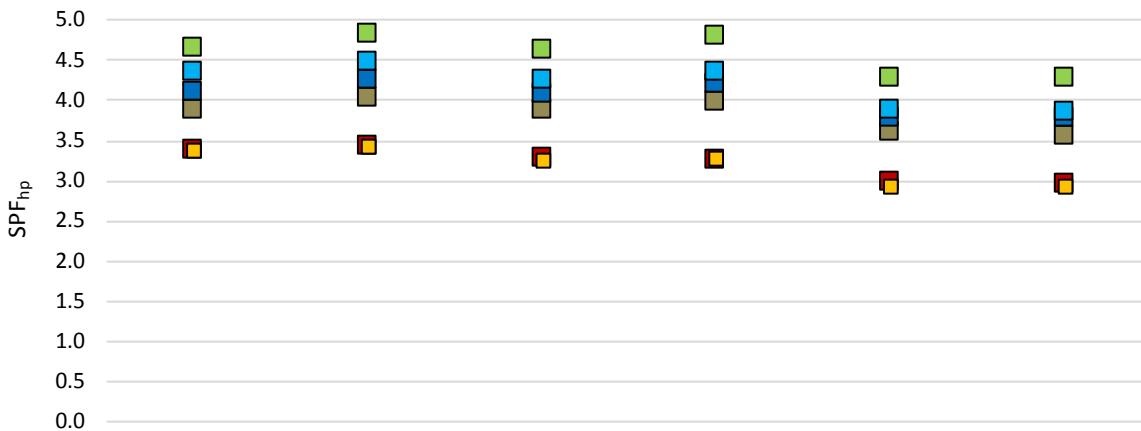
## Other sources HP system



Air, Lake, River and Groundwater:  
No sizing values because they are not space extensive

# HP sources potential

## Disregarding available area constraints – HP performance

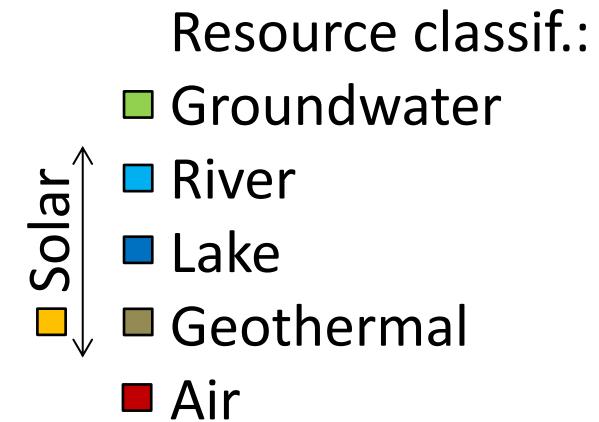
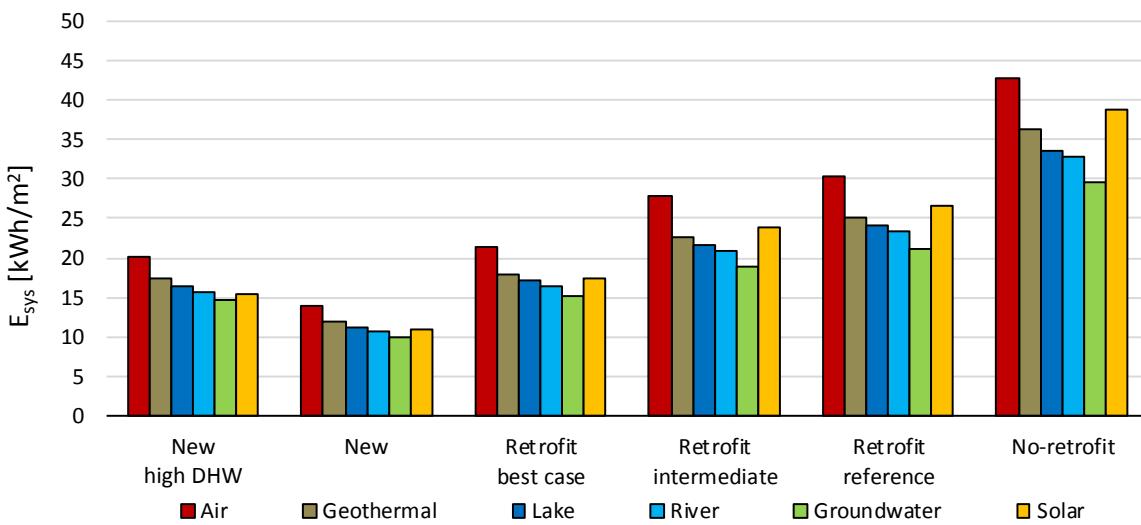
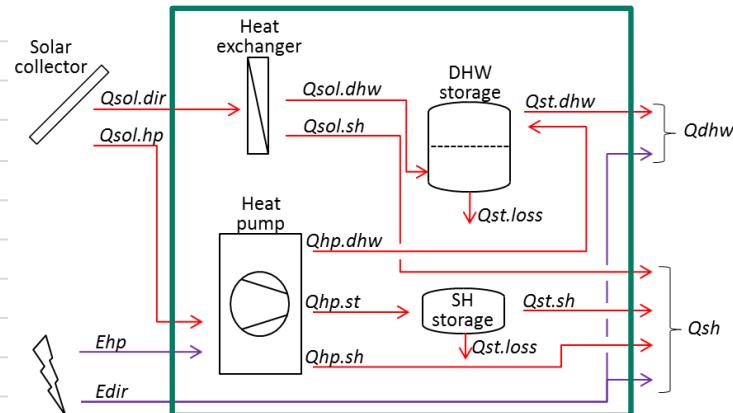
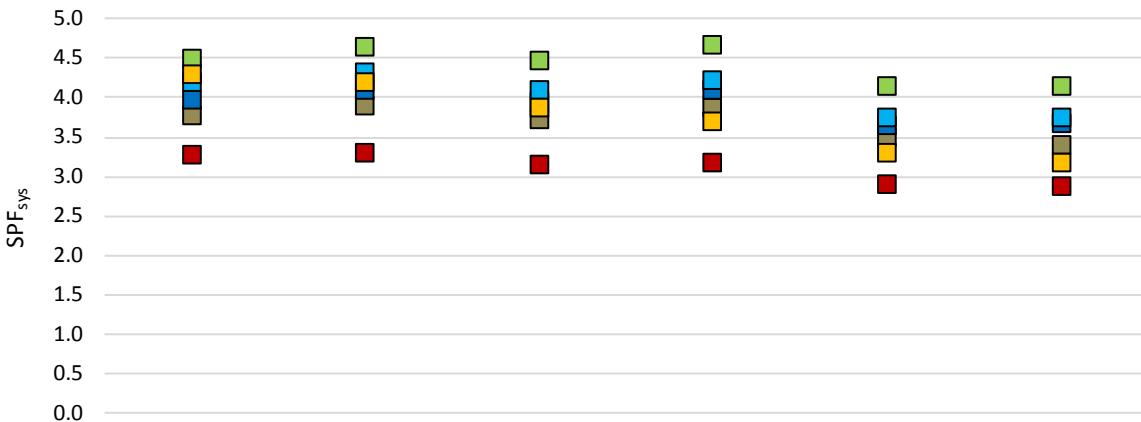


Resource classification:

- Groundwater
- River
- Lake
- Geothermal
- Air & Solar

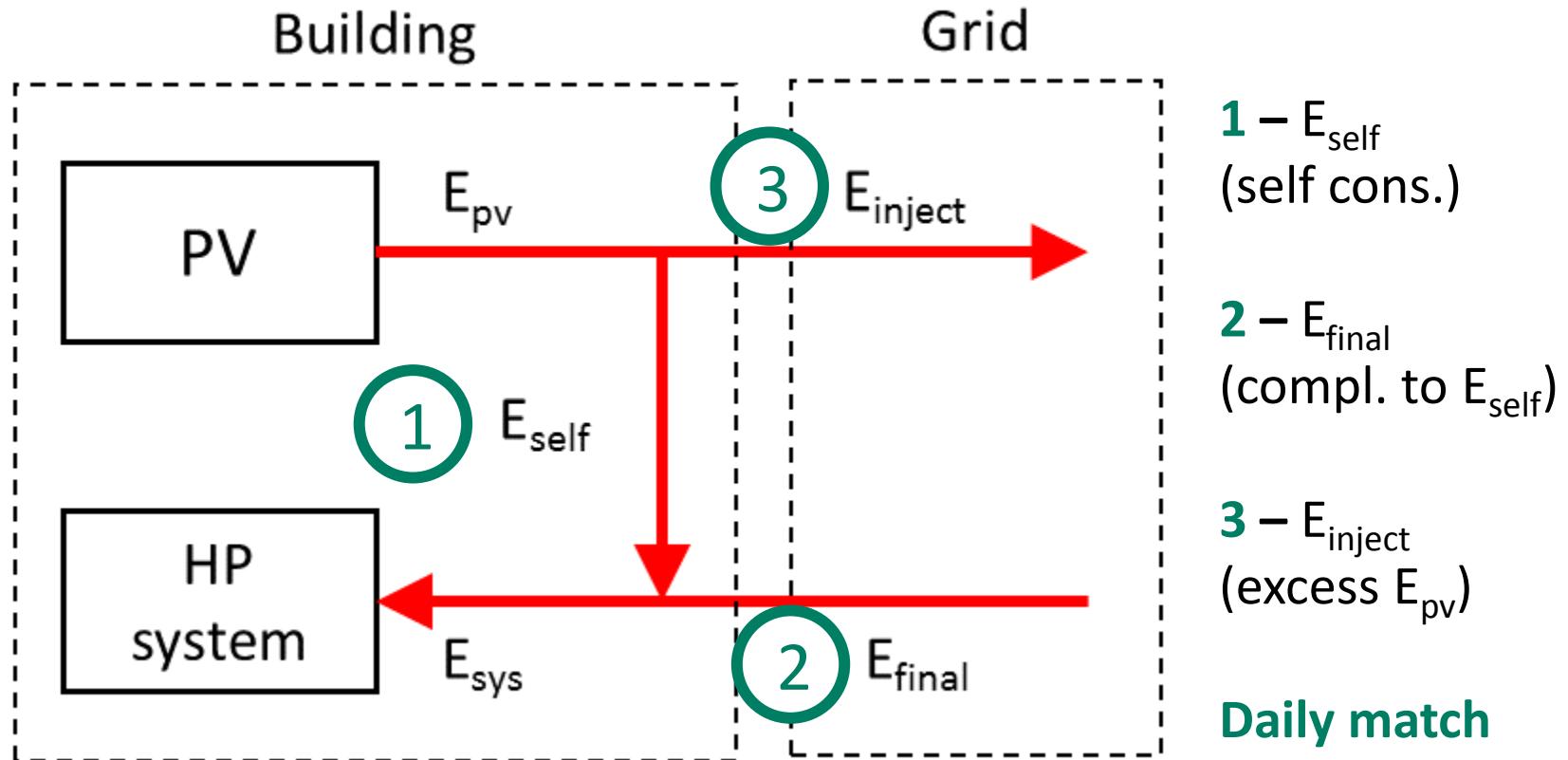
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## Disregarding available area constraints – system performance



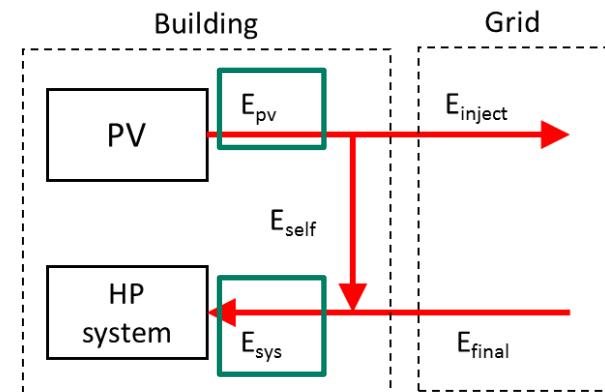
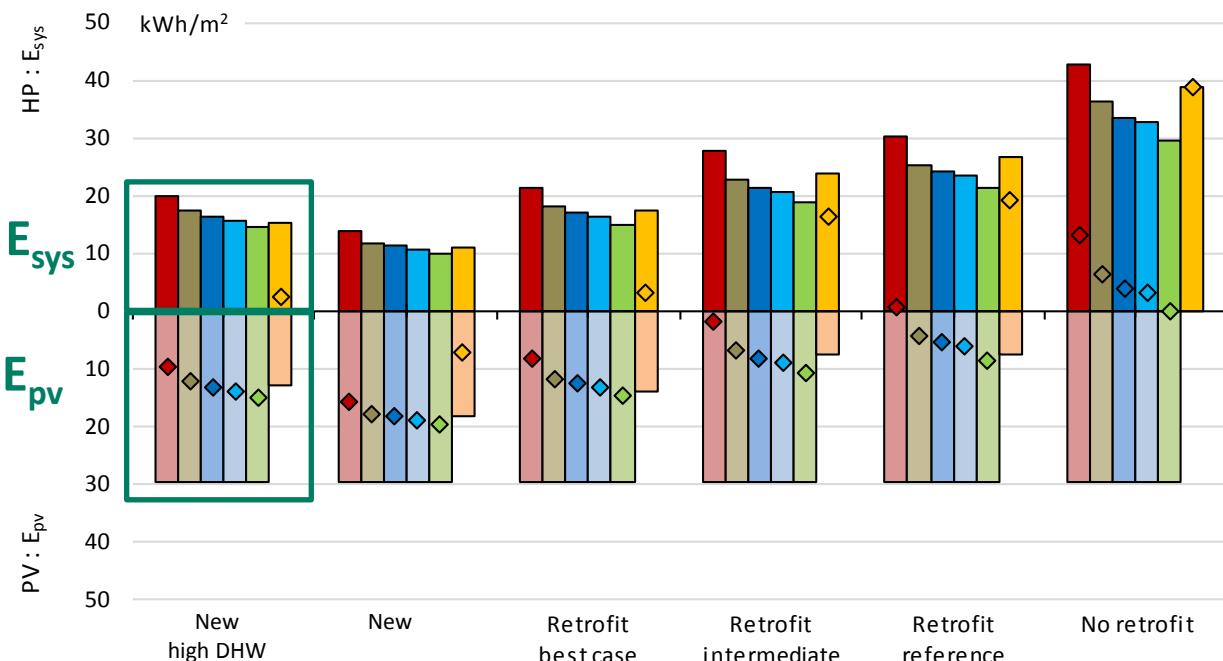
# Available area constraints, HP & PV systems

Available area –  $0.2 \text{ m}^2_{\text{roof}}/\text{m}^2_{\text{SRE}}$  → Low-rise Building (4 storeys)



# HP & PV systems

## System performance – low rise building

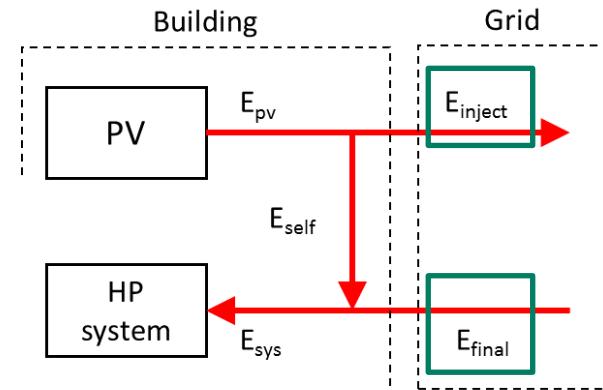
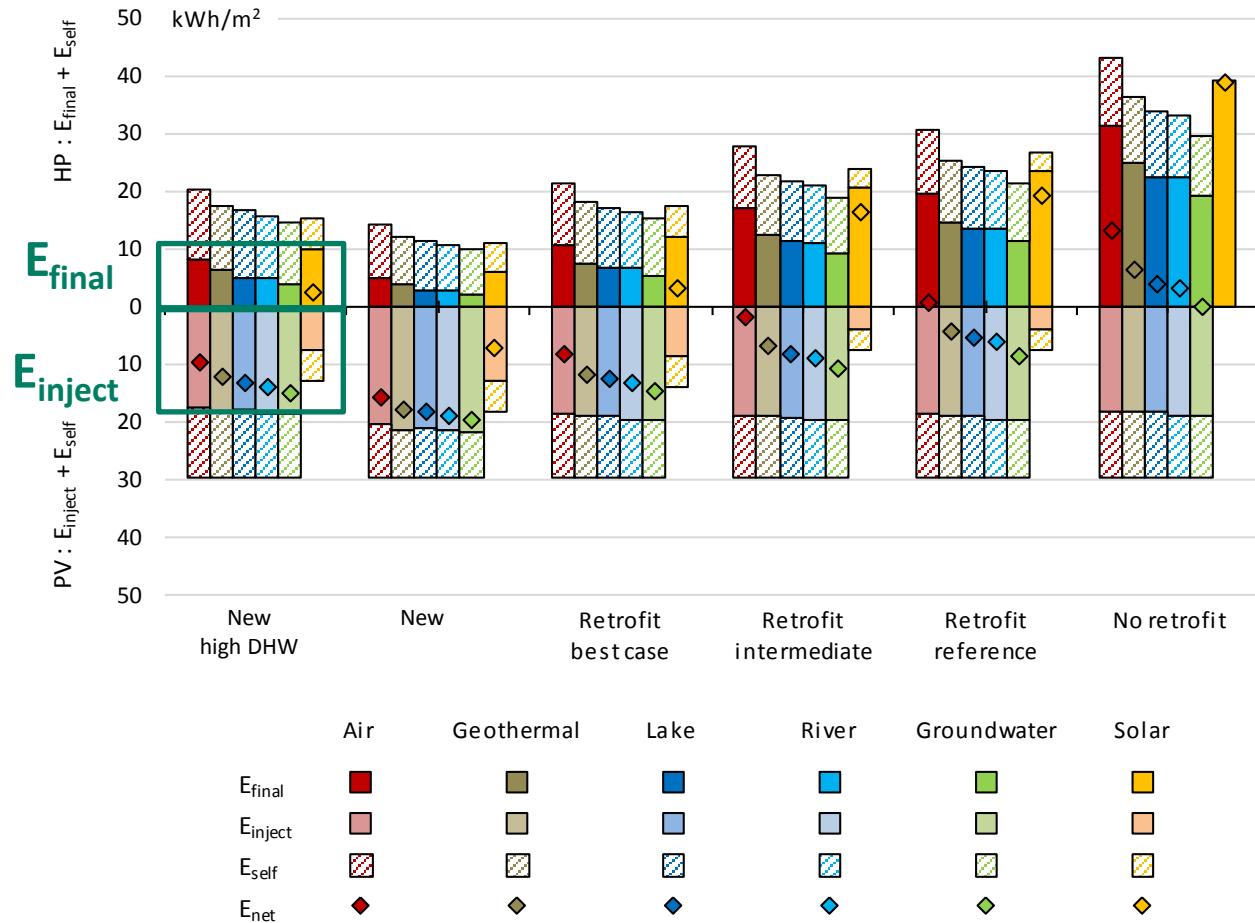


$E_{pv} > E_{sys}$   
Except No ret. & Solar HP

	Air	Geothermal	Lake	River	Groundwater	Solar
$E_{sys}$	■	■	■	■	■	■
$E_{pv}$	■	■	■	■	■	■
$E_{net}$	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆

# HP & PV systems

## System performance – low rise building

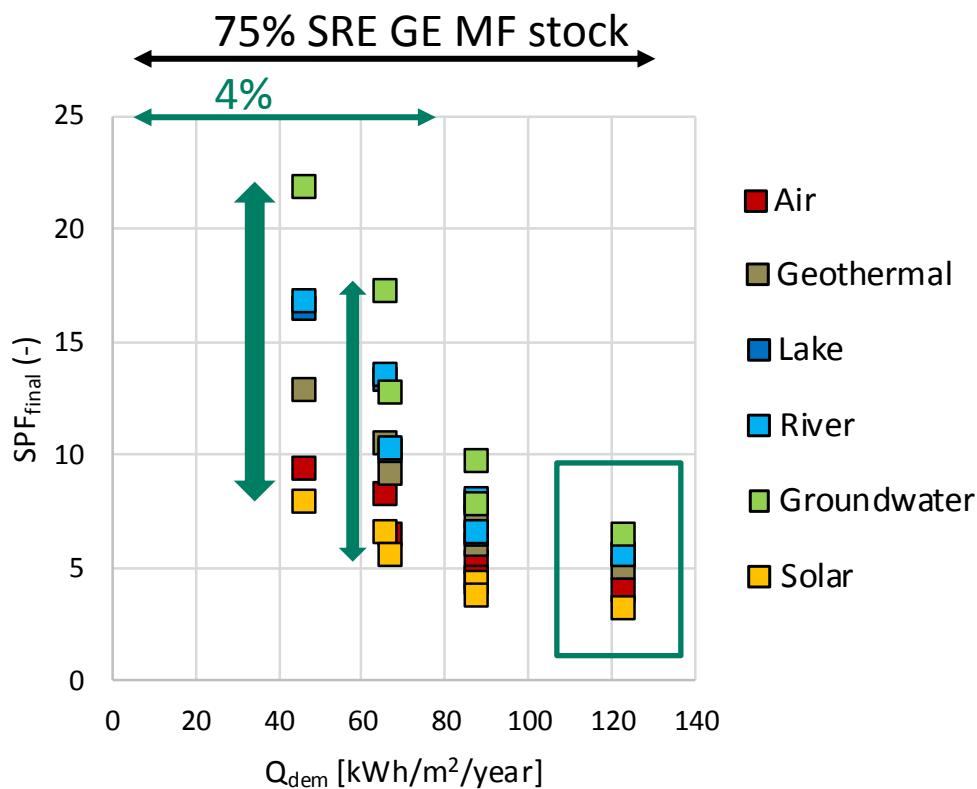
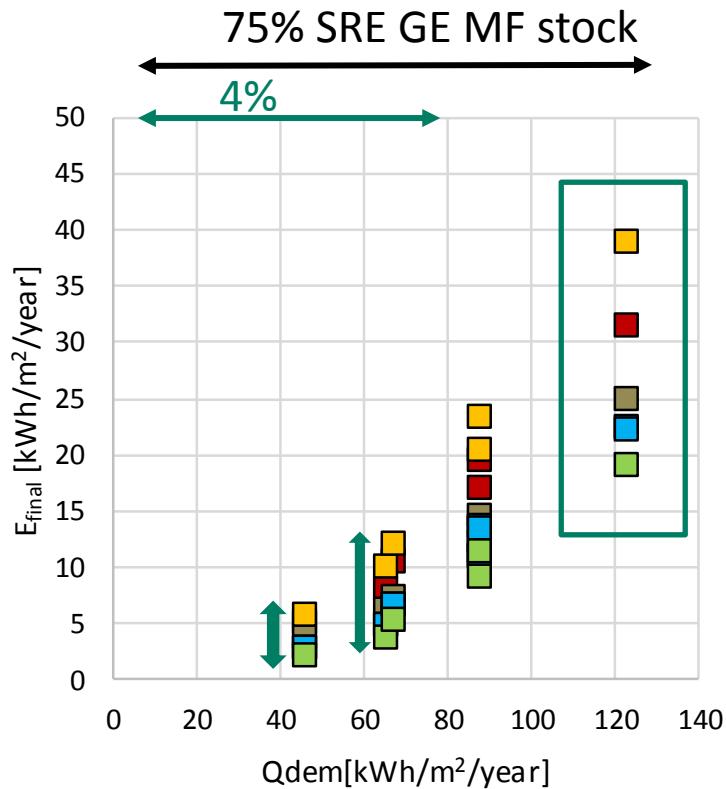


$E_{pv} > E_{sys}$   
Except No ret. & Solar HP

Seasonal mismatch PV  
/ heat demand:  
 $E_{final} \gg 0$

# Discussion

## Final electricity consumption and SPF - low rise building



Low demand buildings (< 80 kWh/m<sup>2</sup>)

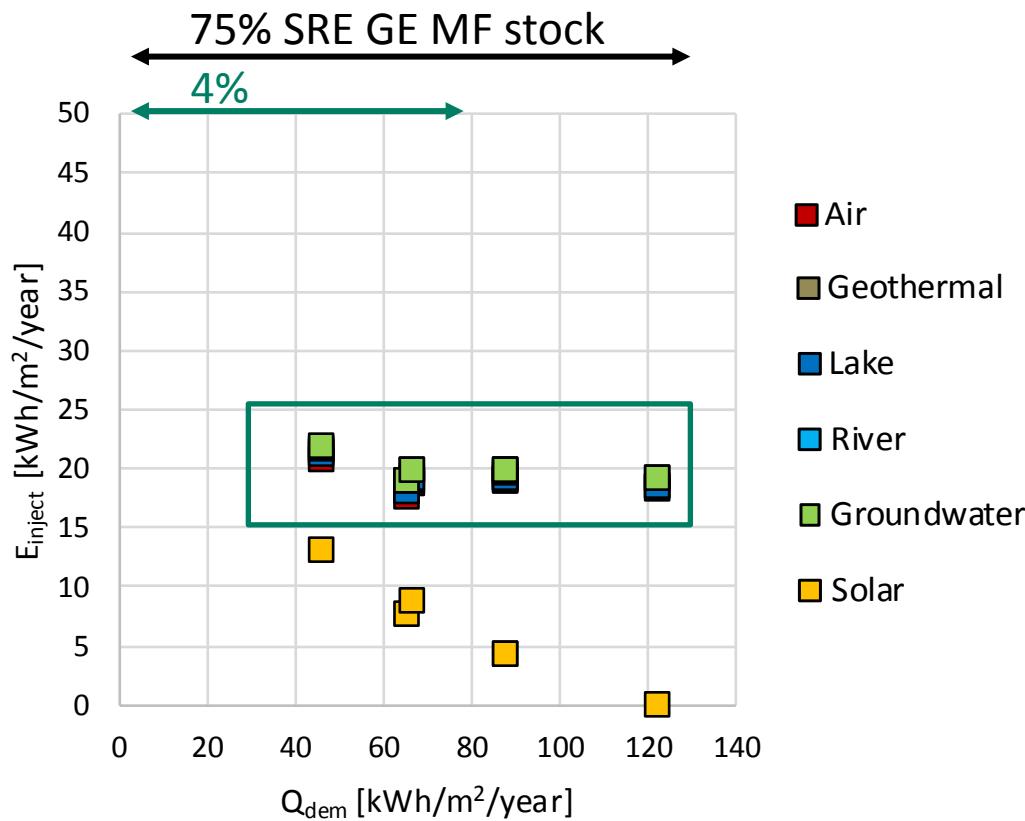
Choice of resource may not be driven by energy performance

SPF → Alone, not a sufficient indicator of system performance

→ Complementary indicators: Electricity consumption

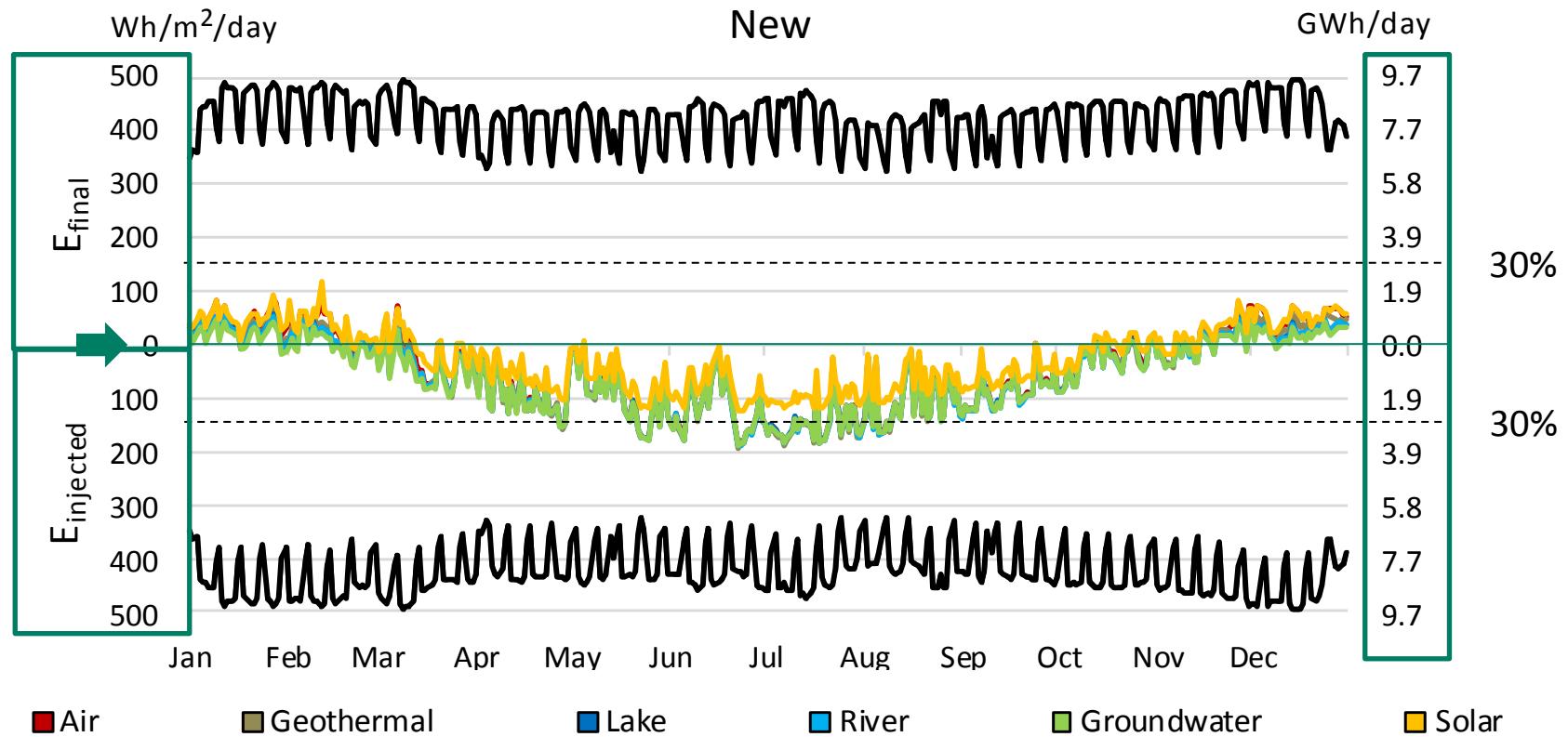
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Electricity injected in grid - low rise building:



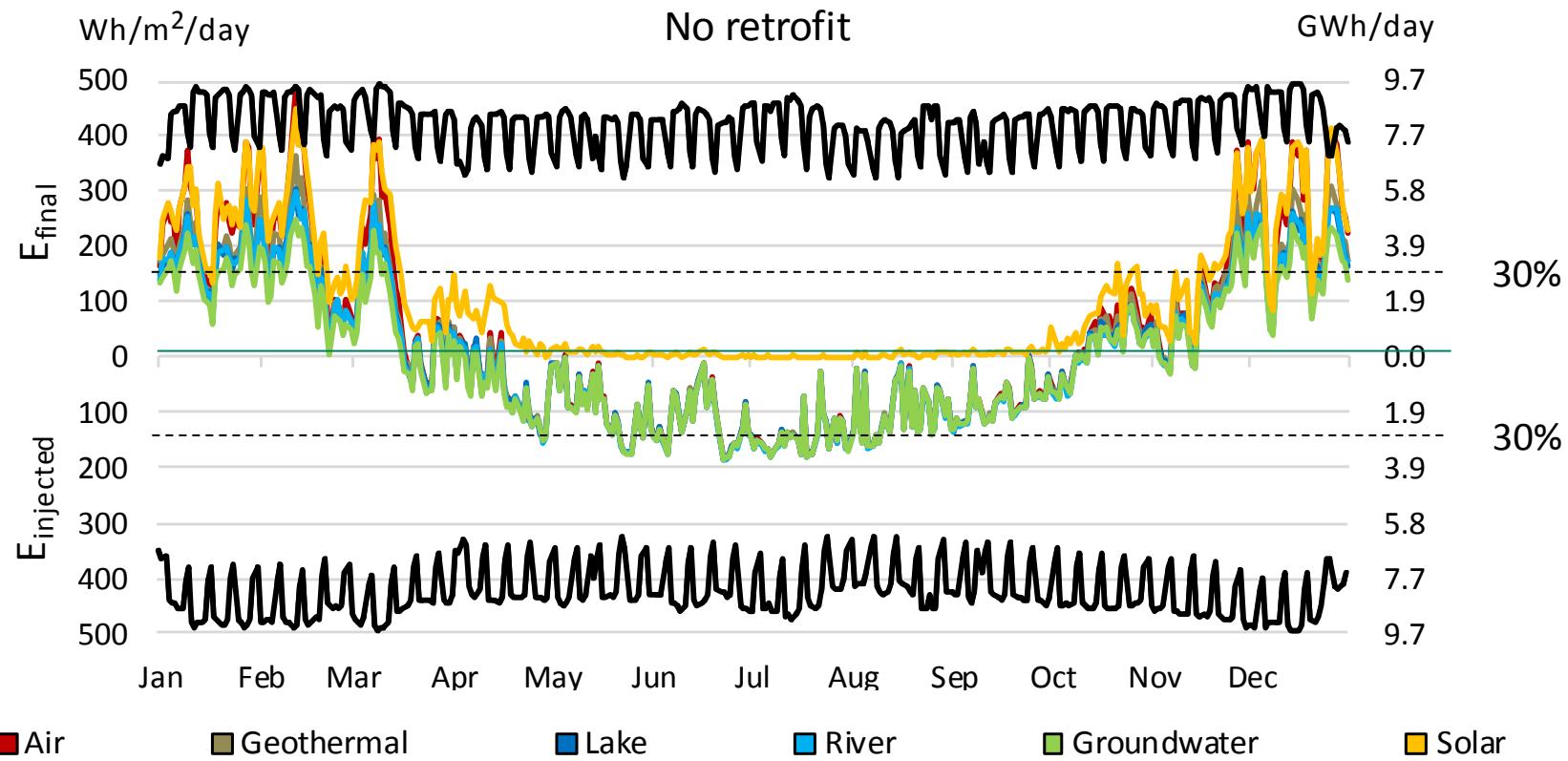
# Potential effect on regional load curve

low rise building



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### 3. Conclusions

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Solar depends on building demand

#### HP & PV system

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$E_{final}$  and  $E_{inject}$  have important values



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PV and heat demand

#### Generalisation

Buildings < 80 kWh/m<sup>2</sup>

Choosing resource will depend on other factors than energy performance

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# Conclusions/summary

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## Analysis of an innovative solar assisted HP system

- excellent system reliability
- electric backup hardly needs to be used
- Absolute electric consumption ( $24 \text{ kWh/m}^2/\text{yr}$ ) reasonable due to a low thermal demand ( $68 \text{ kWh/m}^2/\text{yr}$ )

## Why SPF system of 2.9, when ~ 5 expected?

Due to decentralized DHW (no solar preheating)

With centralized DHW:  $SPF_{sys}$  4.4

For the overall system performance, system configuration is as important as individual components performance

## Can $SPF_{sys}$ of 5 be achieved ?

Yes, but only in New buildings, with low SH temperature and high collector area  
( $0.20 - 0.25 \text{ m}^2$  per  $\text{m}^2$  heated area → less than 4 storeys)

Moreover:

- available roof area is not unlimited
- doubling solar collector area for small electricity saving may not be worthwhile

Retour d'expérience

Simulation

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**Can Solar HP system be used in Retrofitted and Non Retrofitted MFB buildings?**

New and Best Case Retrofitted MFB, yes.

Retrofitted and No-retrofitted, be careful with Electricity and Solar Area

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# Future developments

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Monitoring of:

- Air HP systems (mono and bivalent).
- Waste heat HP systems (used domestic hot water).
- Centralized groundwater + industrial waste heat HP system.

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