



Toolkit:

Energy efficient technologies

Buildings

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4. Toolkit: Energy efficient building technologies

Trainers: Brian Dean and Pierre Jaboyedoff

Purpose: To teach the fundamentals of building technologies and energy efficiency products that can reduce energy use in buildings. This course will discuss building technologies including building envelope, HVAC systems, lighting and controls.

Scenario: Stakeholders are saying that new policies are not possible because the technology is not available that enables increased energy efficiency. *What technologies could change your market for energy efficiency?*

Building envelope technologies

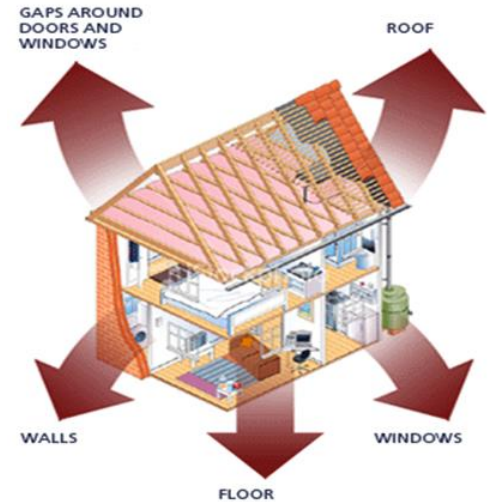
Insulation

Air sealing

Windows and doors

Shading (interior, exterior and vegetative)

Roof (roof system, cool roof and green roof)

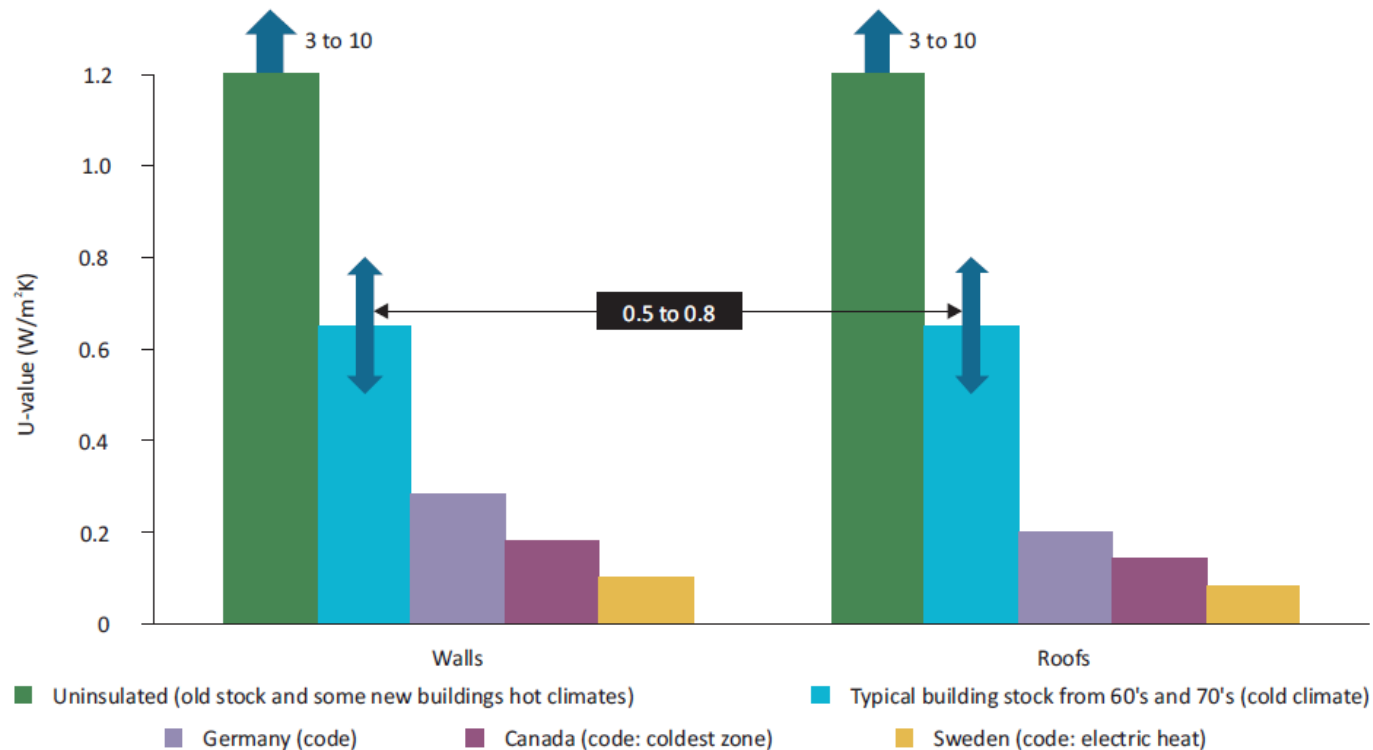


Building envelope technology: insulation

**Recommended
average wall and
roof U-values based
on lifecycle cost
effectiveness:**

**$\leq 0.15 \text{ W/m}^2\text{°C}$ cold
climate**

**$\leq 0.35 \text{ W/m}^2\text{°C}$ hot
climate**



**Insulation levels vary widely in the existing building stock.
Efficient new buildings have increased insulation (low u-value)**

Building envelope technology: insulation (exterior)



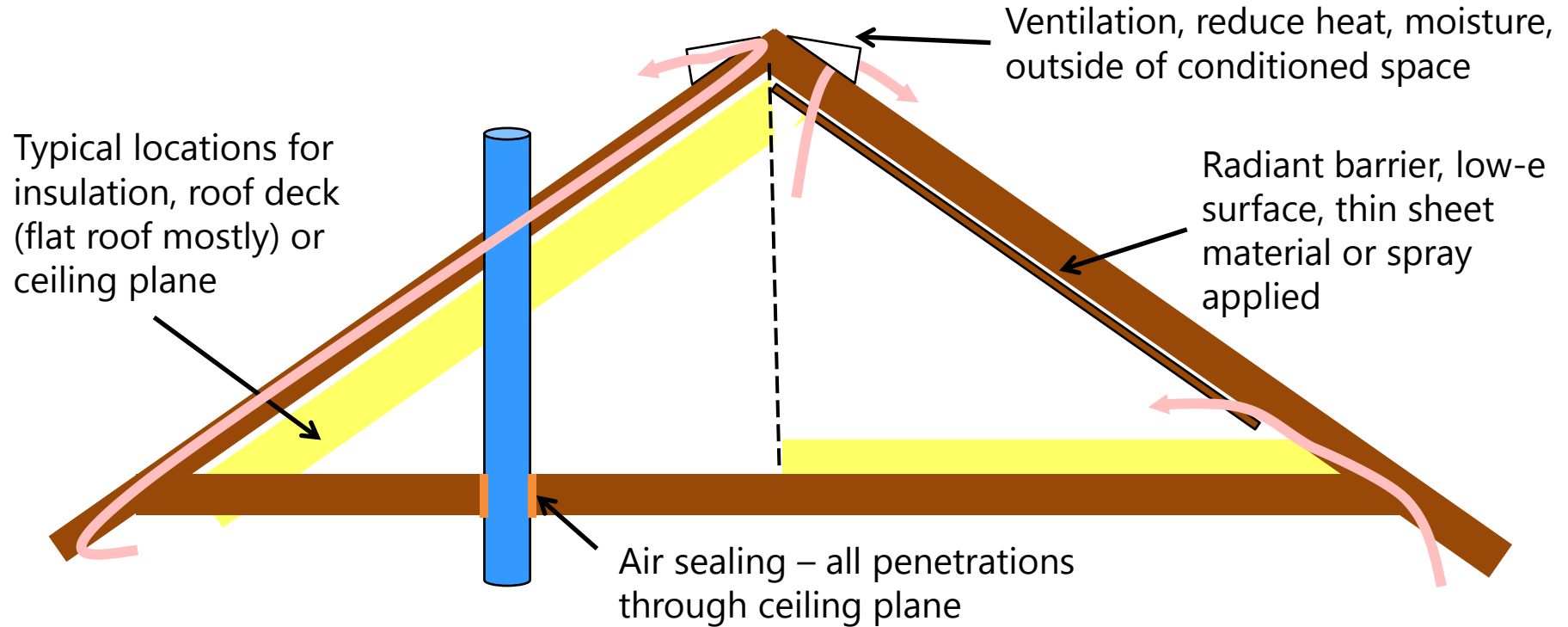
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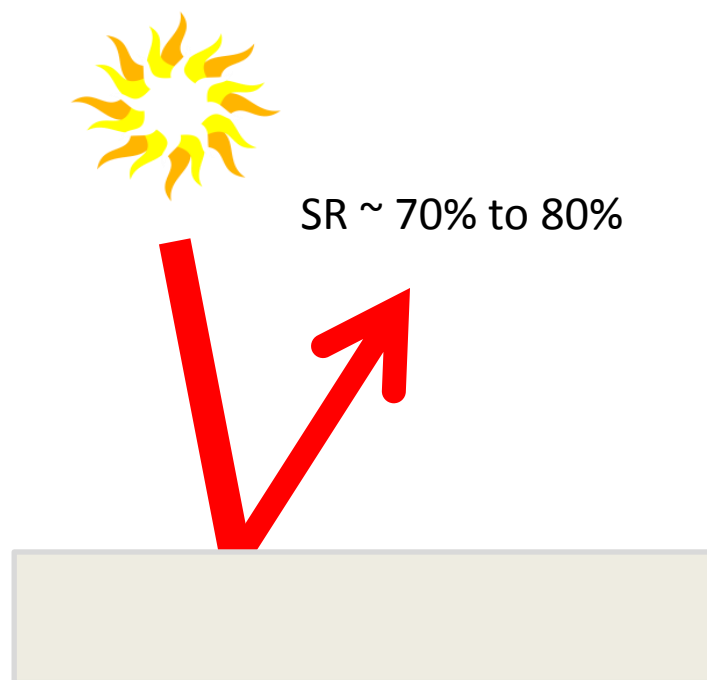
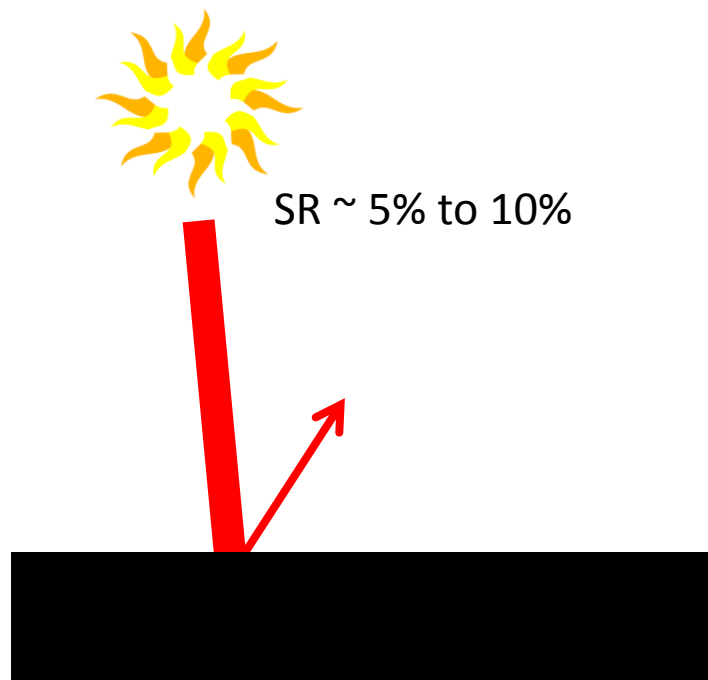
Exterior insulation is best approach to reduce thermal shorts/thermal bridges and can be applied with external material. Applicable to all building types, but challenging for historic buildings.

Building envelope technology: roof as a system



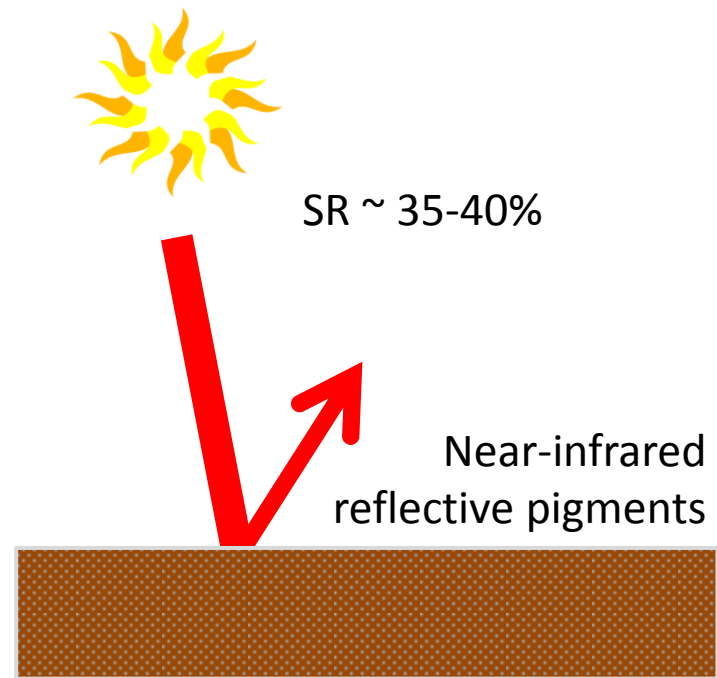
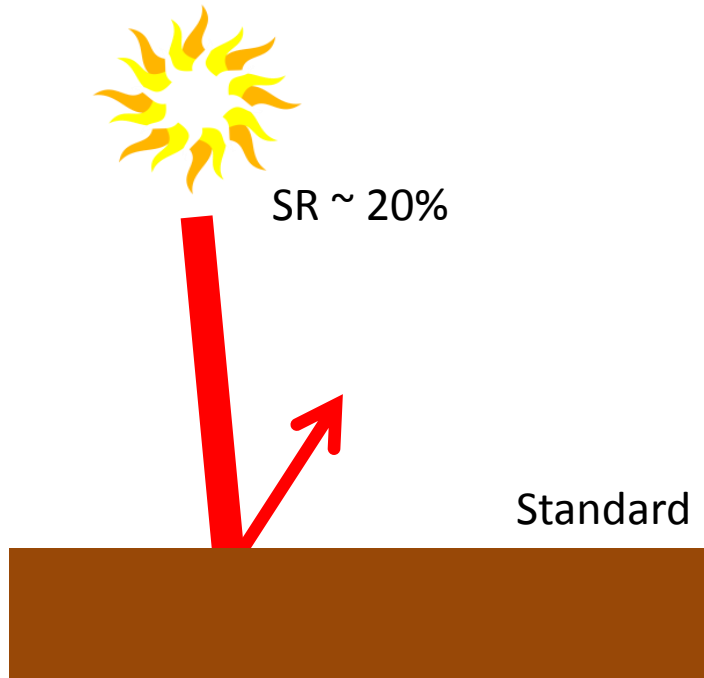
Insulation, air sealing, ventilation, radiant barriers, are all important factors, with the best approach depending on the type of roof (pitched, low-slope, or flat)

Building envelope technology: roof reflectance (visible colour)



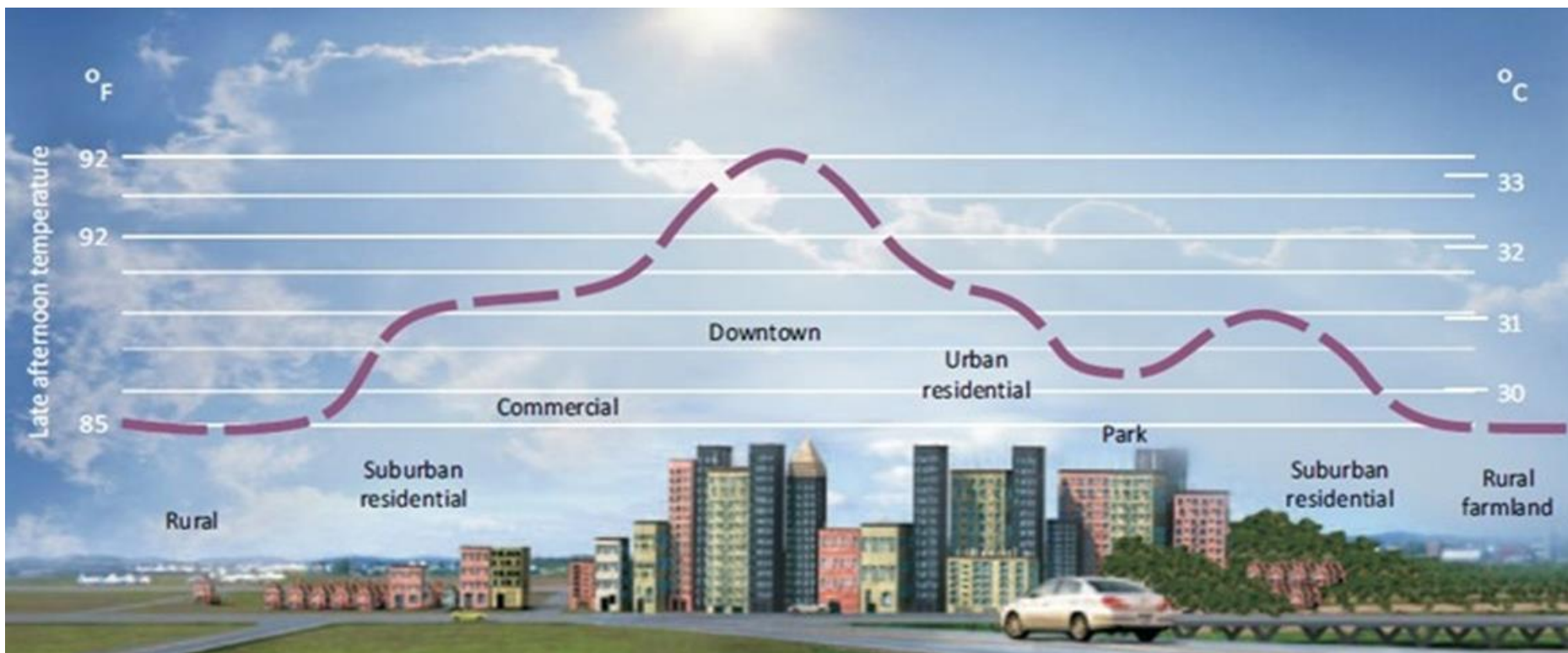
Solar reflectance rejects heat from sun.
Visible colour can change the amount of heat that enters the building.

Building envelope technology: roof reflective pigments



Near infrared reflective pigments reflect the heat we feel, not the visible light.

Building envelope technology: reflectance impact on heat island

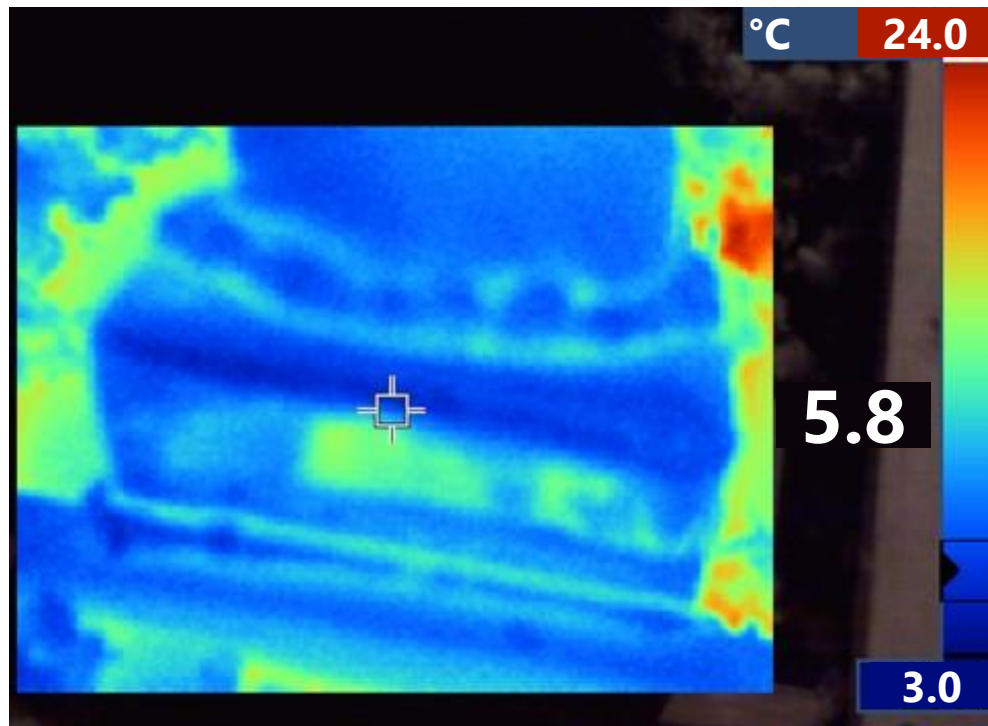


High density of low solar reflectance surfaces increases the heat absorption and heat islands in cities.

Building envelope technology: air sealing



Sealing the connection



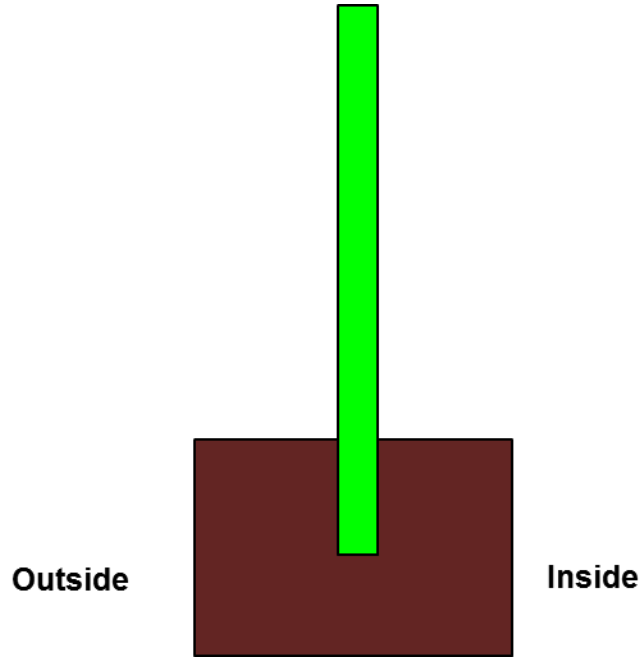
thermal image

Air sealing typically accounts for 10-30% of heating and cooling loss. However, air sealing can be easily applied and verified with infrared camera and air pressure tests.



- **Validated air sealing** is a critical measure for building codes and renovation
- Testing of large multi-family buildings can be expensive – possible to institute **sampling and workmanship criteria to reduce cost**
- More research needed to offer more affordable testing but **many low cost and simple solutions exist today**
 - New research is occurring on a whole building air-based sealant (to seal the building envelope), by the inventors of AeroSeal (for duct sealing)

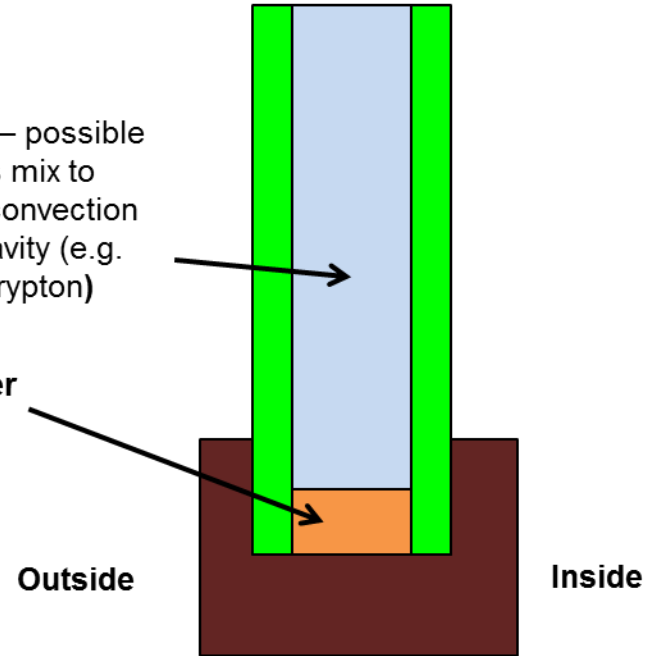
Single glazing



Double glazing

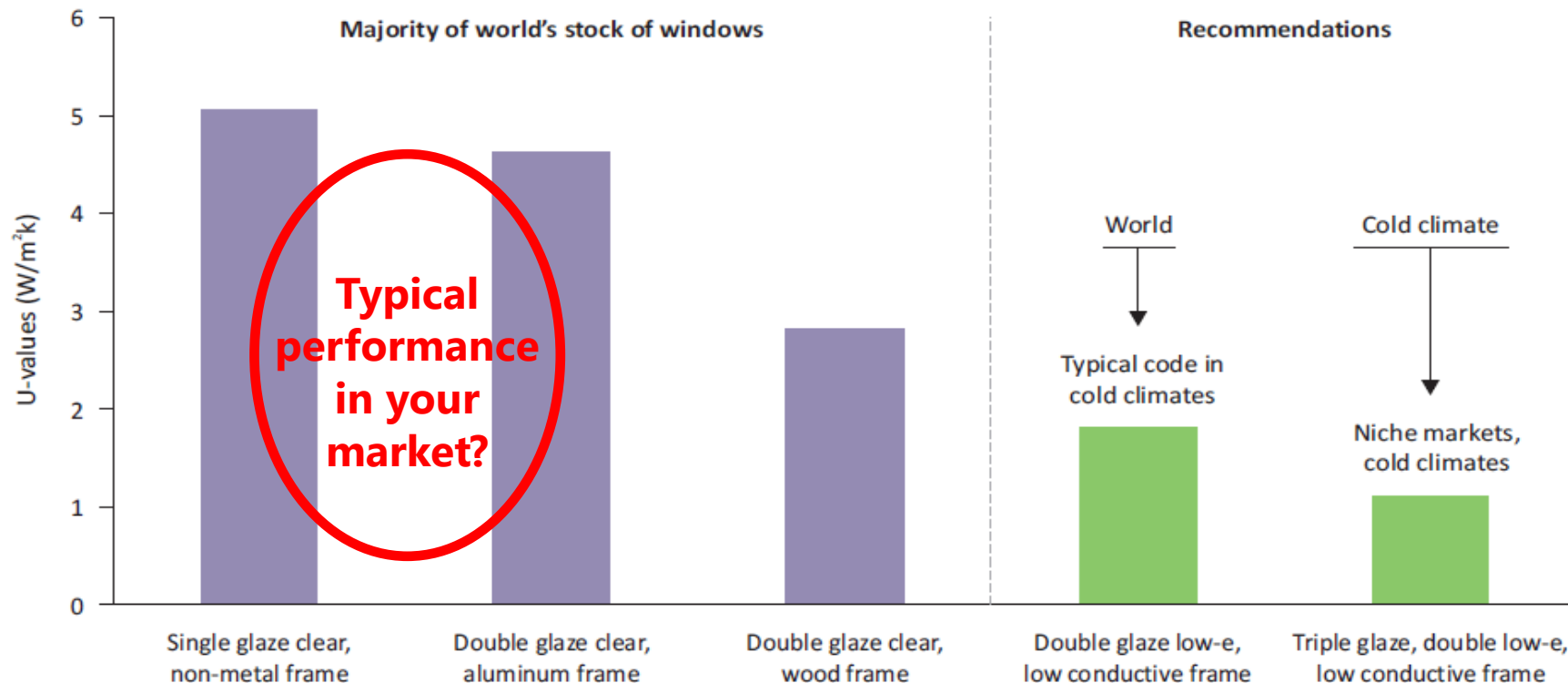
Air gap – possible inert gas mix to reduce convection within cavity (e.g. argon, krypton)

Spacer



Single glazing windows are highly inefficient in all climate types.

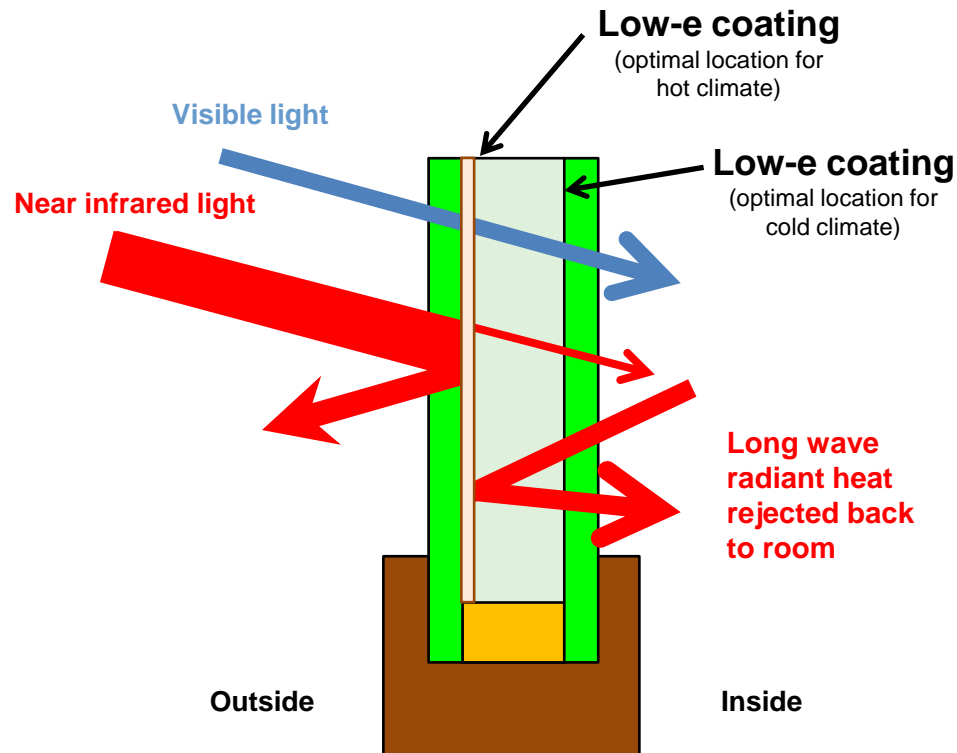
Building envelope technology: window market



The majority of the world's installed windows can be significantly improved and more work is needed to ensure that new sales meet more stringent performance criteria.

Low emissivity films

- **Transparent metal coatings** that reflect radiant heat (long wave radiation) combined with solar selective coatings that reflect visible light and near-infrared light (heat we feel)
- **Typical savings of 30% to 40%**
- Commonly applied to new windows, but can also be installed in retrofit low-e storm panels and low-e window films when window replacement is not possible



Low-e coatings can be a low cost and highly efficient addition to windows.
Do you know the market share of low-e glass in your country?

Building envelope technology: window and building shading

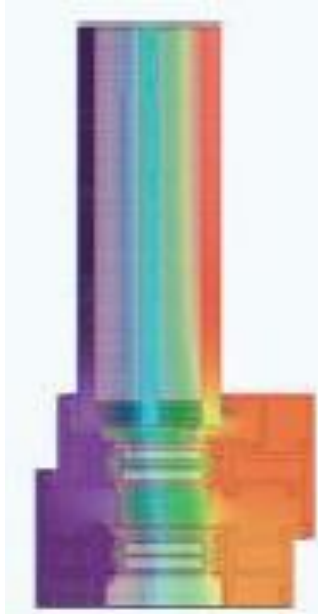


Ancient and modern shading can be a no or low cost demand efficiency measures.

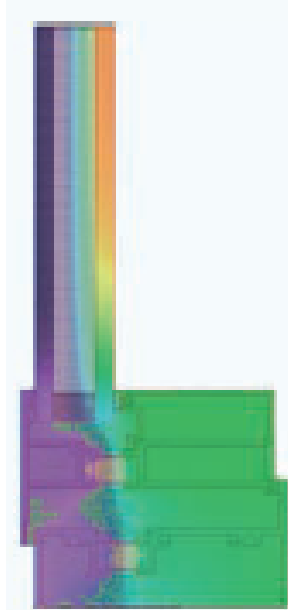
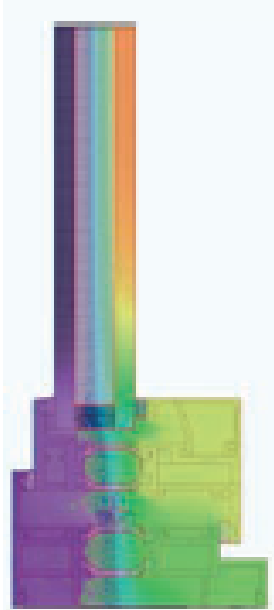
Window low conductive frames

**Cold
climate
outside**

**Hot
climate
inside**

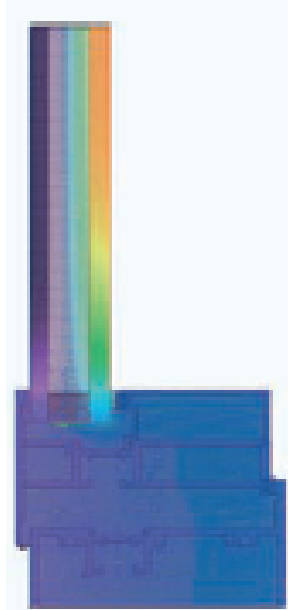


Advanced frame



**Cold
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inside**

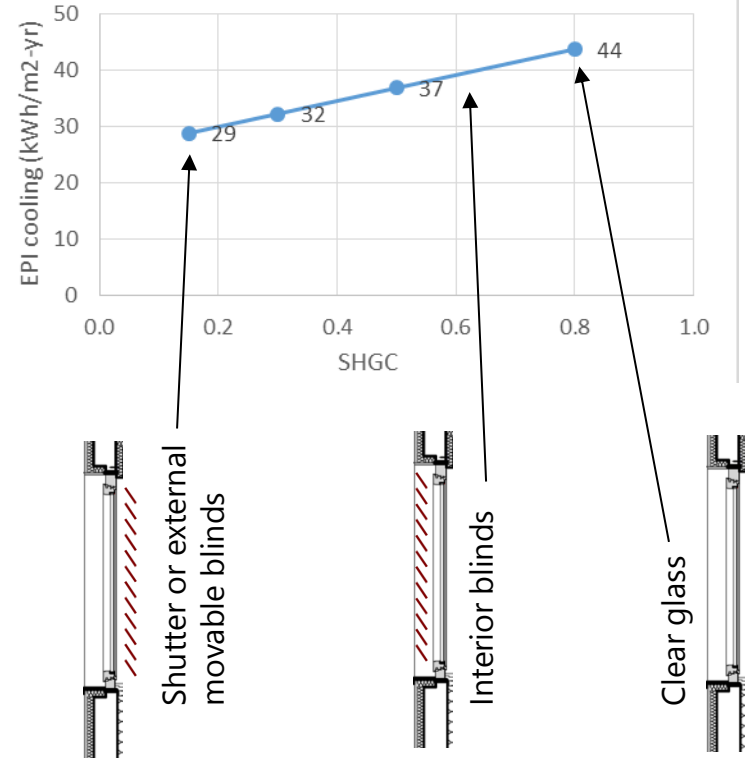
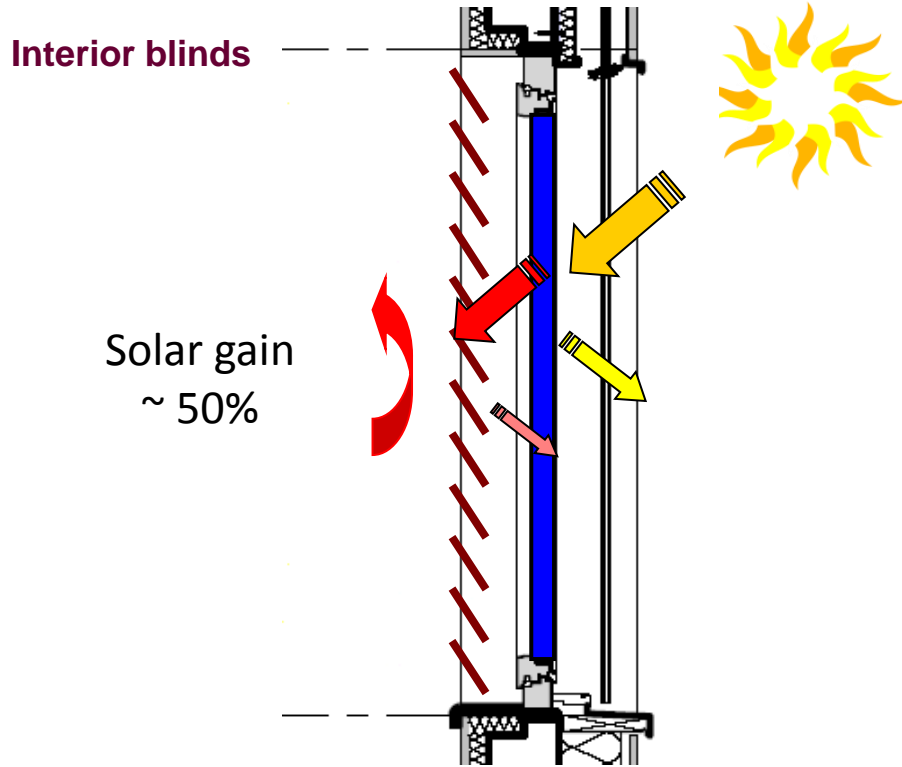
**Hot
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Old, no thermal break

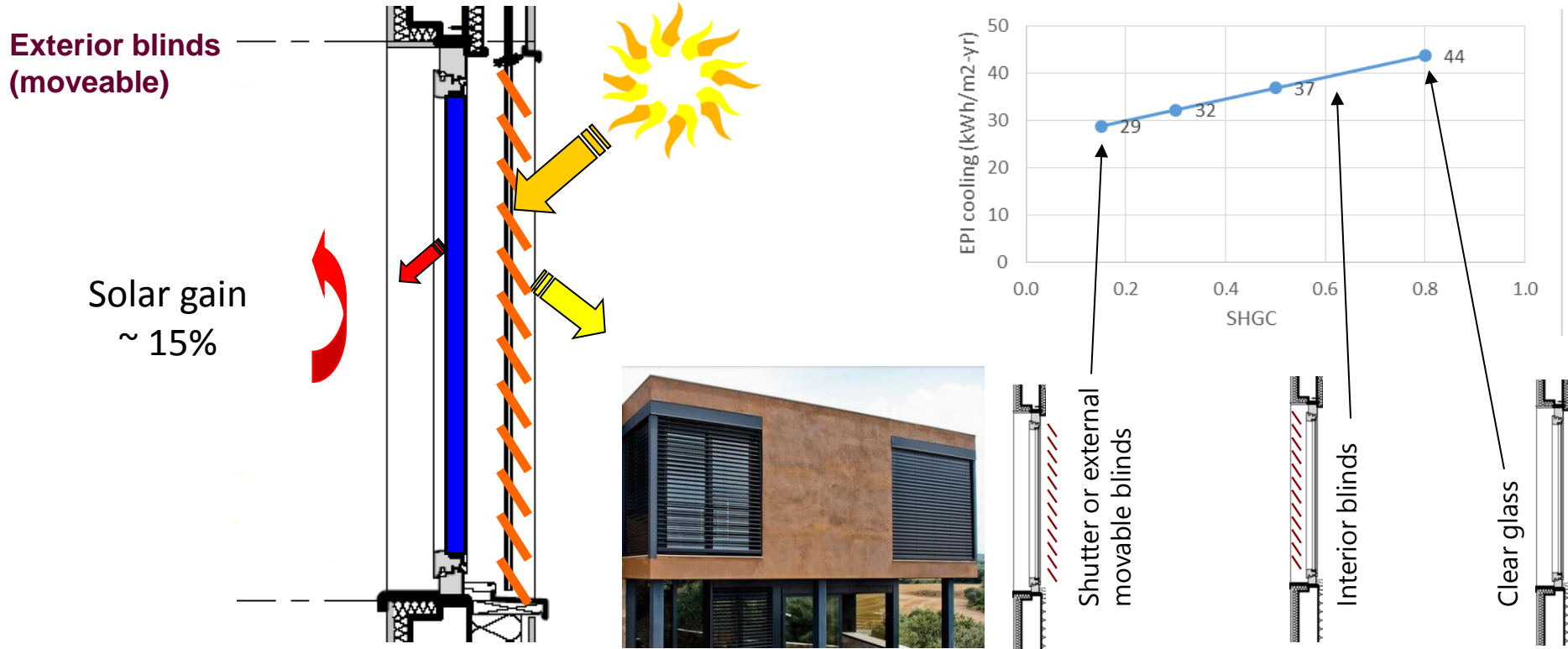
Improving performance

Building envelope technology: internal vs. external shading



Internal shades still allow the solar heat gain to enter the building.

Building envelope technology: internal vs. external shading



External shades keep out much more heat than internal shades.

Glass vs. glass + external louvered blinds

No shading

Extruded polystyrene (50 mm)
Gypsum board (12.5 mm)
Rigid urethane foam (125 mm)
Low-E double glazing (40 mm)
None

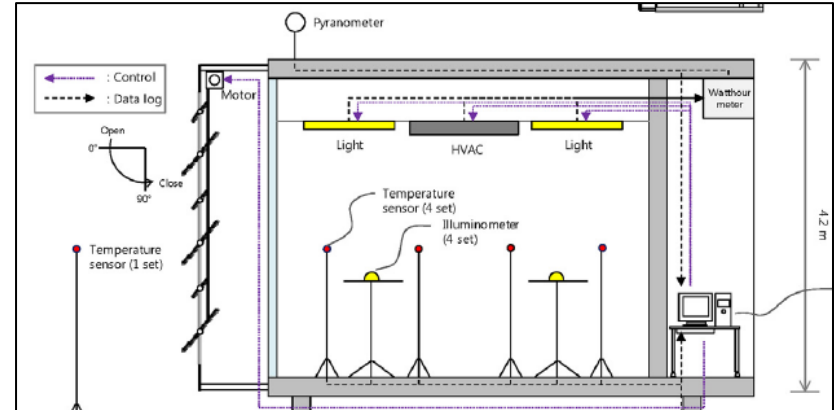


Movable shading

Extruded polystyrene (50 mm)
Gypsum board (12.5 mm)
Rigid urethane foam (125 mm)
Low-E double glazing (40 mm)
Slat rotating (0° – 90°)
Fabric (50% solar transmittance)



Lighting and cooling energy assessment of multi-purpose control strategies for external movable shading devices by using shaded fraction Su-Ji Choi, Dong-Seok Lee, Jae-Hun Jo, Department of Architectural Engineering, Inha University, South Korea, Energy and Buildings 150 (2017), 328–338



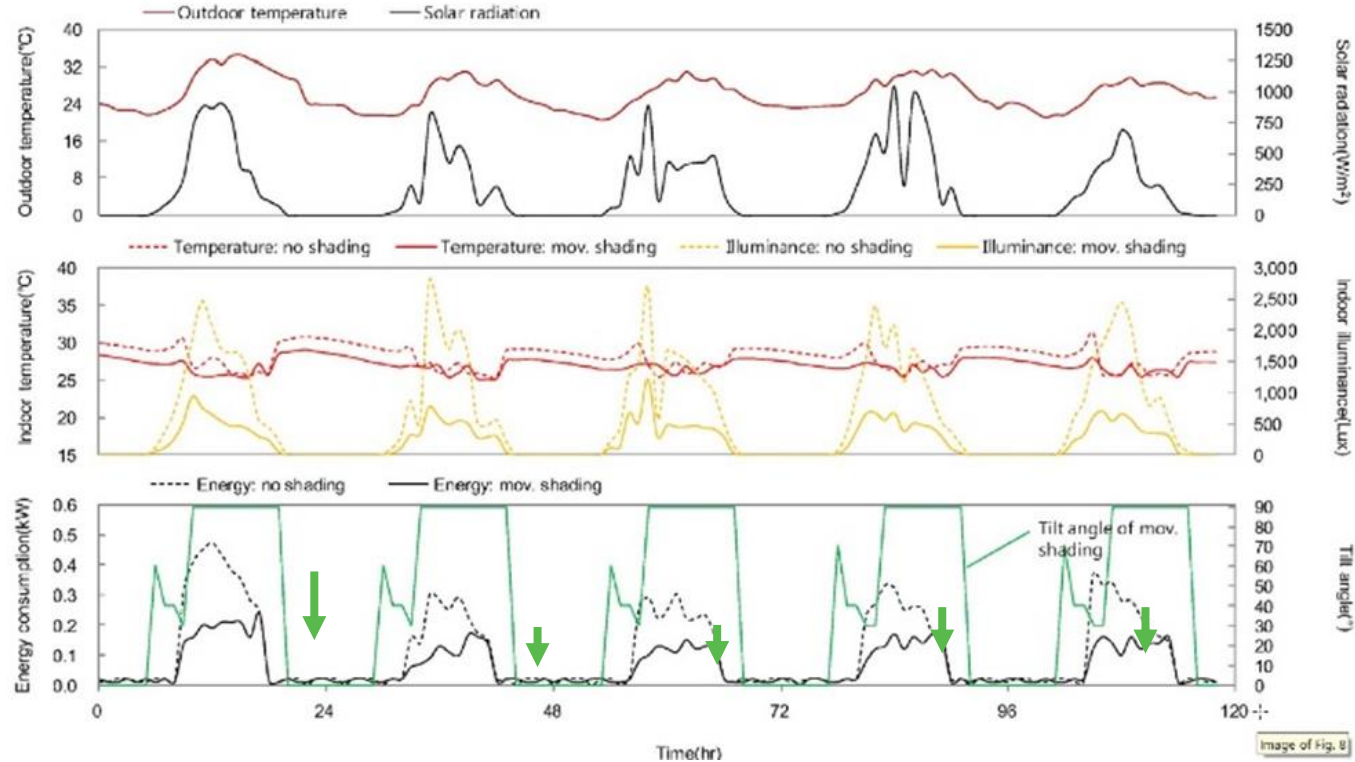
The movable shading device in Modes 1–3 decreased the total amount of energy consumption by 48% compared to the mock-up with no shading.

Glass vs. glass + external louvered blinds: daily impacts



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Building envelope technology: integrated solutions



Dynamic windows, dynamic shading, renewable integration (passive and active)

Examples of some of the newest technologies

- **Sealing:**
 - Aeroseal for ducts
 - Aeroseal for building envelopes
- **Insulation:**
 - Vacuum insulated panels
 - Aerogel insulation
 - Phase-change material insulation
- **Windows:**
 - Dynamic glazing (tinting)
 - Solar PV integrated clear windows
- **Data collection and energy models:**
 - Drive by image collection and satellite image collection translated to building energy models

Building equipment and systems

Space heating

Water heating

Space cooling

Ventilation

Lighting

Controls

Innovative technologies



Building equipment and systems: space and water heating



Shifting to more efficient and renewable integrated technologies.

Heat pump R&D

- Improve performance in cold climates

Standards

- Ban electric resistance heaters
- Require condensing gas boilers

Promote solar thermal systems

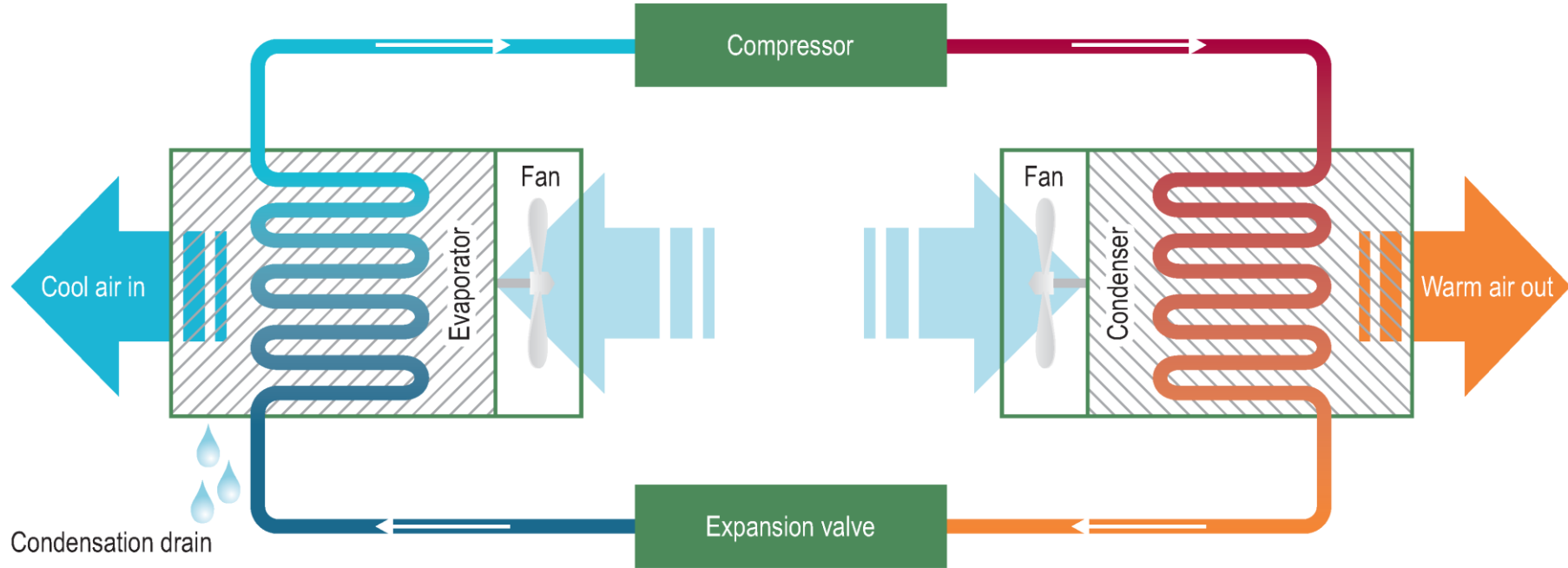
- Develop lower costs systems
- Invest R&D for cooling applications

Integrated district heating

- Focus on greater participation of renewables, waste heat & co-generation
- Develop model advanced district heating systems with efficient building envelopes



Building equipment and systems: cooling



ACs use a refrigerant and a vapour compression cycle to move heat from one space to another, providing comfort and the sensation of fresh, cool air

Packaged ACs

- Window air conditioners
- Portable units
- Packaged rooftop units

Split System ACs

- Chilled water systems
- Rooftop and air handling units
- Variable Refrigerant Flow (VRF)

Chillers

- Water cooled chillers
- Air cooled chillers

Other systems

- Evaporative coolers
- Absorption chillers
- Ground source or geothermal

What makes an energy efficient system?

- ✓ Reduced energy used for same output of cooling
 - ✓ High COP or EER
 - ✓ High CSPF or SEER
- ✓ Correctly sized
- ✓ Ability to reduce output according to load
- ✓ Ability to integrate smart controls

Building equipment and systems: cooling equipment

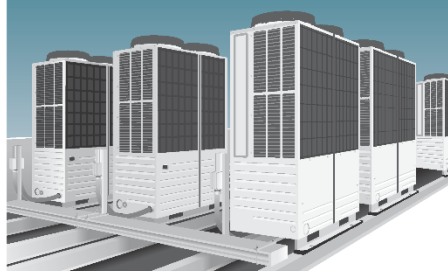
Packaged window unit



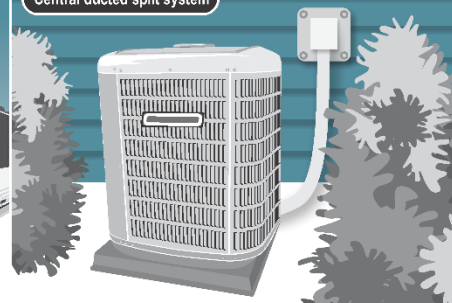
Mini split unit



Packaged rooftop unit



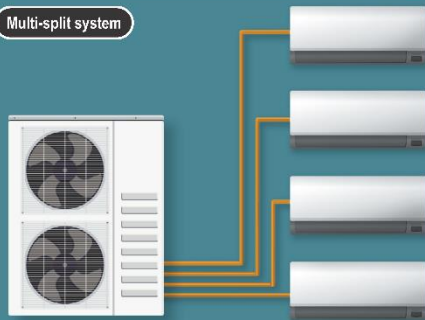
Central ducted split system



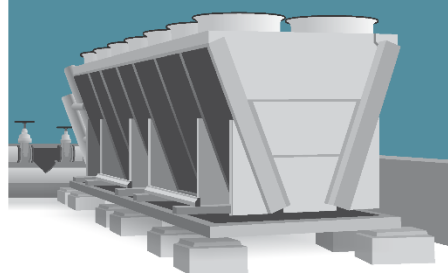
Packaged portable unit



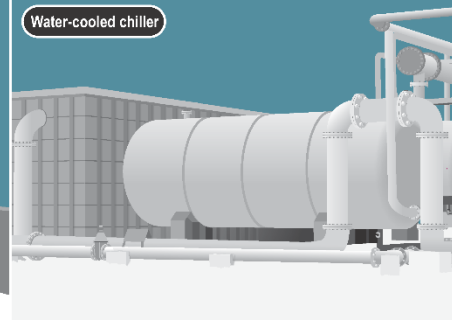
Multi-split system



Air-cooled chiller



Water-cooled chiller



Flexibility

- Variable speed compressors, “inverter”, variable speed fans, variable flow refrigerant.

Storage

- Ice or chilled water
- For peak demand control

Thermal recovery

- Heat and/or enthalpy exchangers

Smart controls

- Pre-cooling, free-cooling
- Set point adjustment and demand-side management
- Integration with other building systems

- Refrigerant fluids used in air conditioning equipment are harmful to the environment, either because of their damage to the **ozone layer**, or for **the Global Warming Potential** of their emissions.
- Transitions to cleaner, alternative fluids are underway, as well as a gradual phase down of the most harmful fluids under the **Kigali Amendment to the Montreal Protocol**.
- This is an opportunity to also transition to more efficient compressor technologies.
- The K-CEP programme is available to support economies in this phase down.

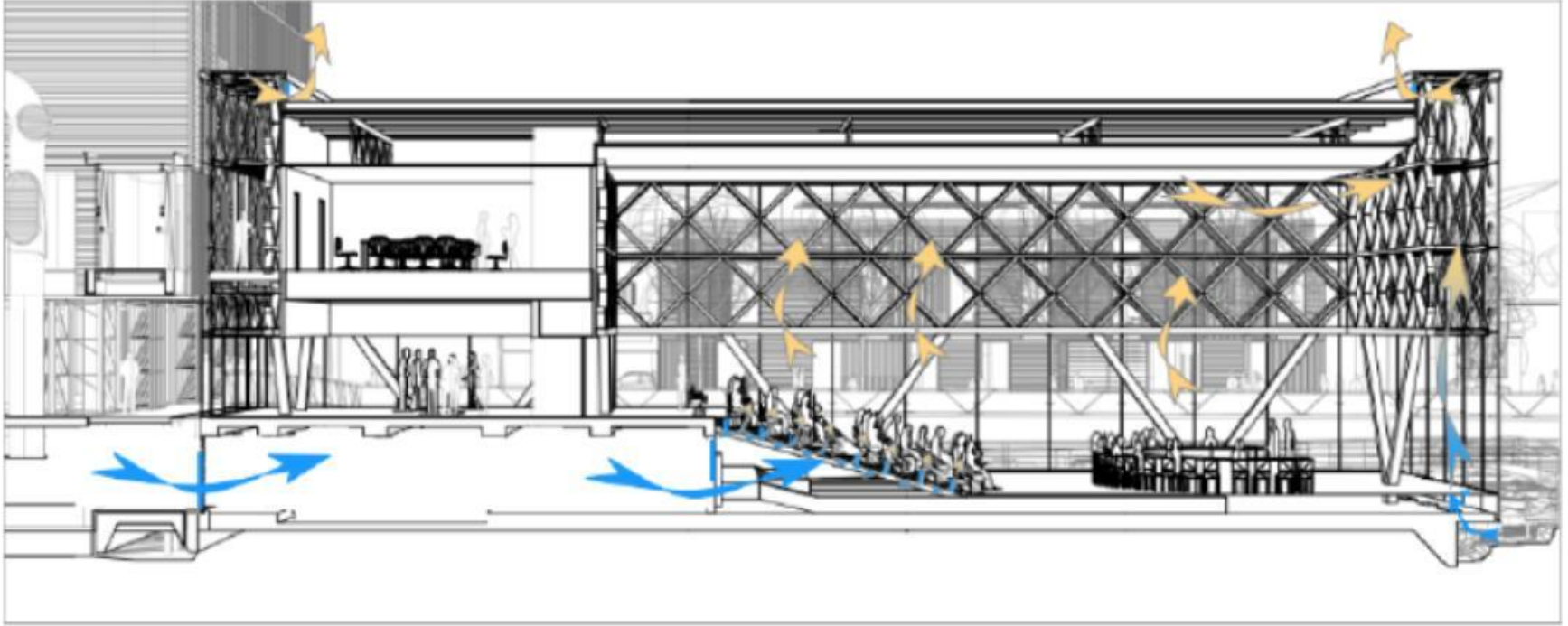


Find out more:

<https://www.k-cep.org/>
<https://ozone.unep.org/>

- Mechanical
 - Fan exhaust or supply
 - Heat/energy recovery ventilation
- Natural
 - Cross ventilation
 - via wind
 - via temperature
 - Stack ventilation
 - via air stratification
 - via temperature induced exhaust
- Hybrid, or mixed-mode



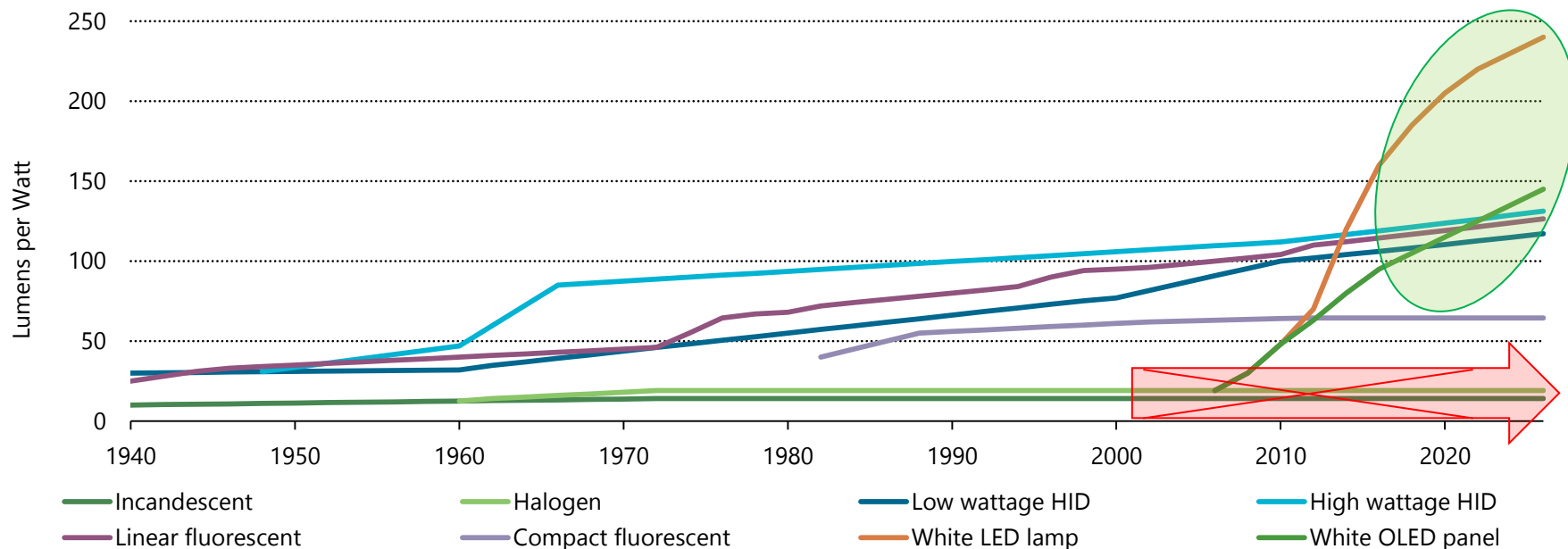


Natural ventilation (stack/stratification) in combination with mechanical ventilation to enable comfort



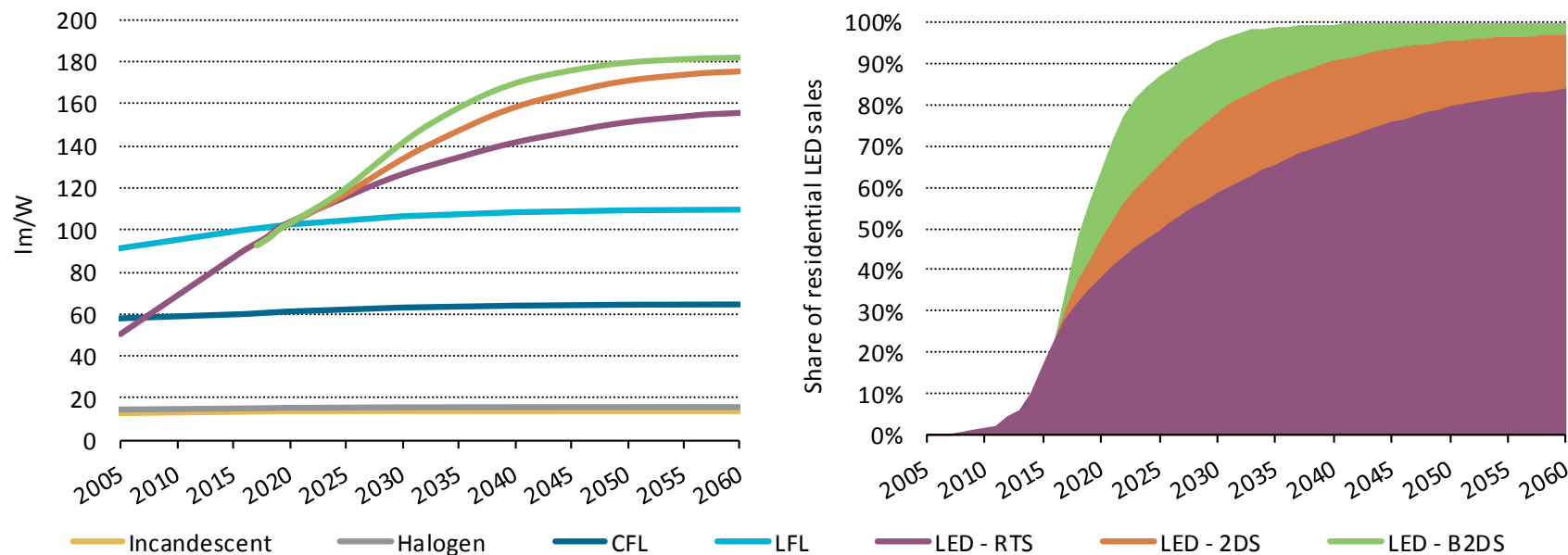
Shifting to high performance technologies

Lighting equipment performance



Technology performance improvements continue to drive energy efficiency, but energy policy needs to keep up with the technology...

Lighting equipment performance and residential LED sales share to 2060



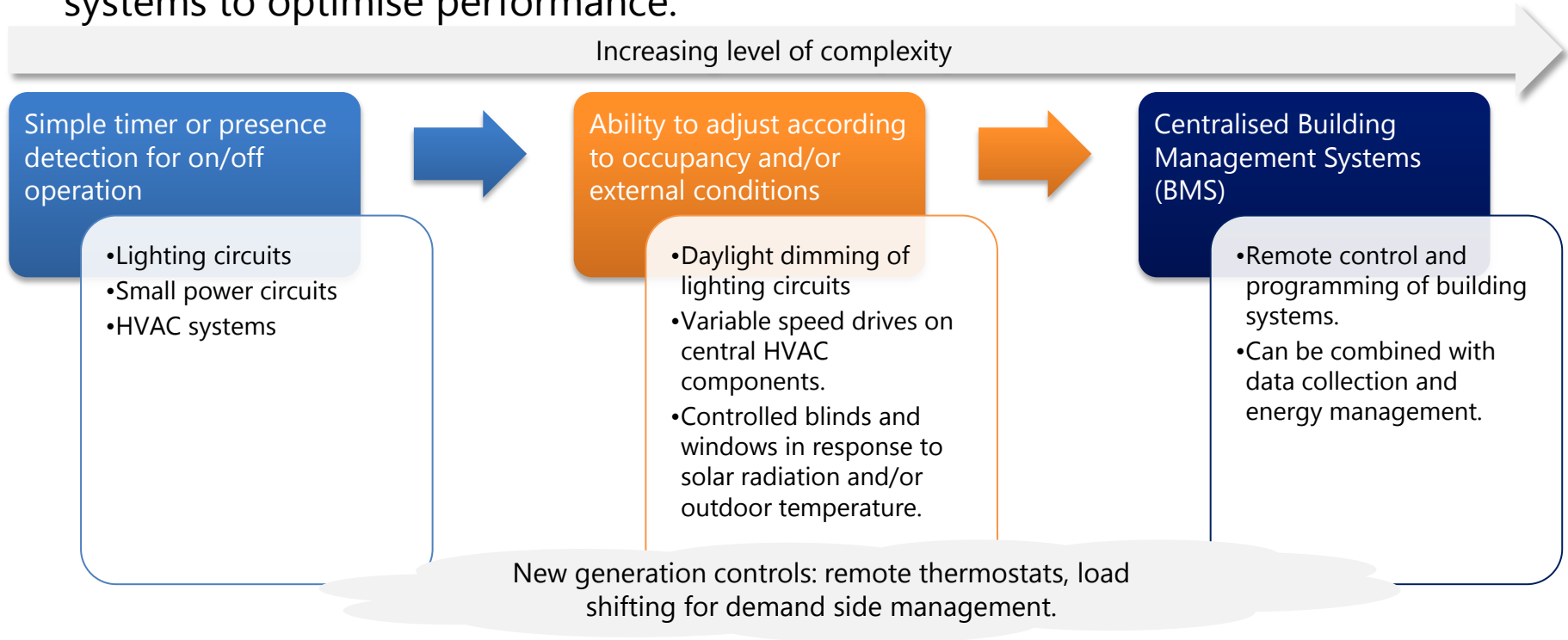
Rapid deployment of energy-efficient technologies will create critical mass in the market, helping to lower technology costs and drive R&D for greater energy performance.

Building equipment and systems: lighting (passive)

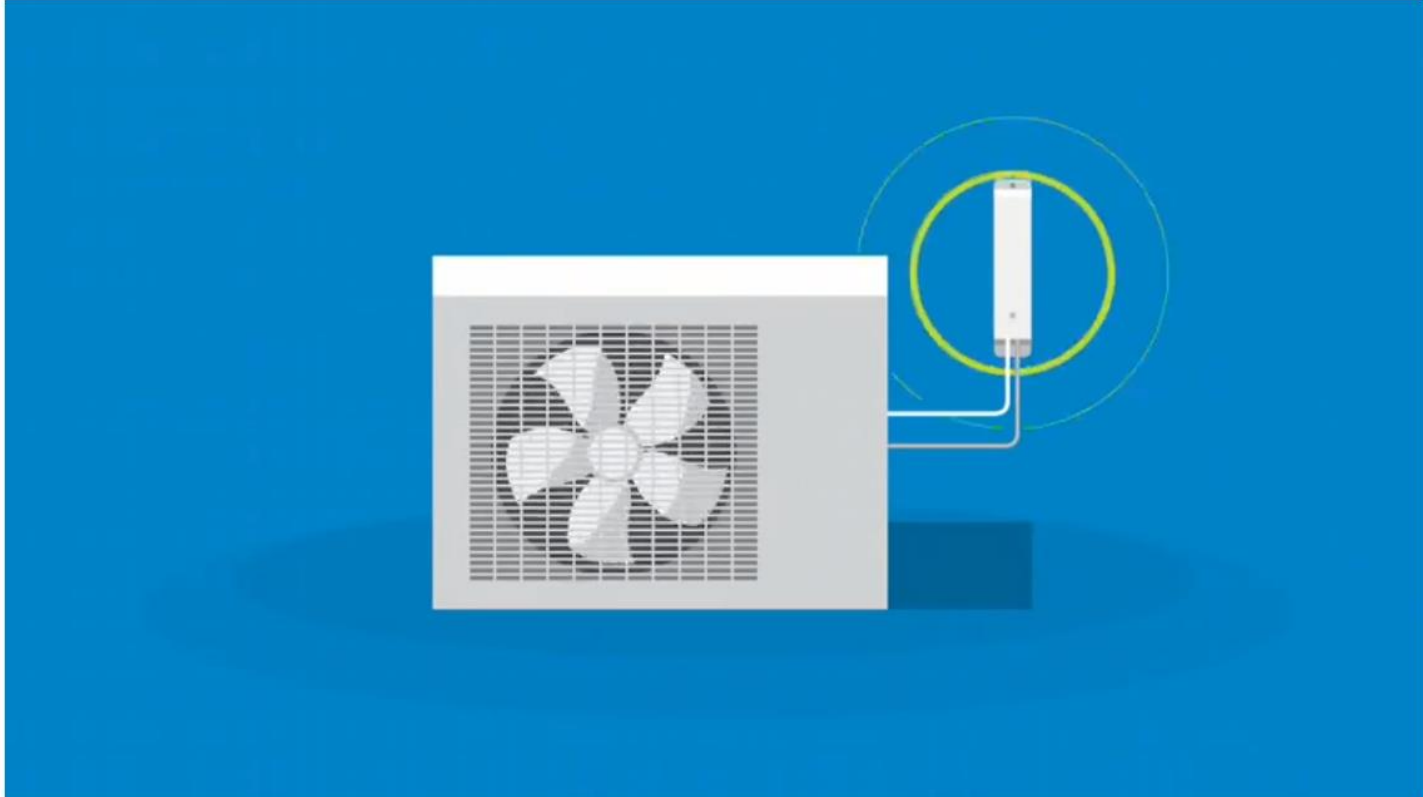


**Passive solar lighting can reduce lighting energy use.
But shading can increase lighting energy use.**

- Controls can be used to regulate and/or automate the operation of building systems to optimise performance.



- PeakSmart, in Australia: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fQQYNMofG5w>



Examples of some of the newest technologies

- **Heating:**
 - Natural gas heat pumps
 - Cold climate heat pumps
 - Seasonal thermal storage with heat pumps
- **Cooling:**
 - Modulating refrigerant to optimize EER/COP of HVAC systems
 - Cooling combined with hot water or refrigeration
- **Control and automation:**
 - Building control optimization
 - Fault detection automation
- **Lighting:**
 - Advanced LED lighting with sensors and controls
- **Data centers:**
 - Immersion cooling
 - Liquid cooling direct to computer chip

Whole building

- High-performance envelope components and whole building packages
- nZEB(+) building construction across all countries
- Low-cost deep energy renovation solutions
- Zero-carbon building energy communities

Heating and cooling equipment

- Improved thermal distribution and control
- High-performance heat pumps and solar thermal solutions
- Responsive and affordable thermal energy storage
- Integrated, flexible district energy solutions

Lighting and appliances

- High-performance, lower cost solid state lighting
- Integrated design and control for lighting service
- High-efficiency appliance technologies
- Performance standards for plug loads and smarter use of connected devices

Cooking and energy access

- Clean, affordable cooking solutions for developing countries
- Low-cost solar thermal and storage solutions
- Efficient, low-polluting biomass solutions

Summary

Technology roadmaps

What can change your market?

Technology demonstration



Building technology roadmaps

- Construction transformation strategy
- Technical, economic and strategic framework
- Assessment of high priority areas for 12 regions of the world
- Policy criteria and evaluation

<https://webstore.iea.org/technology-roadmaps>



Technology Roadmap

Energy efficient building envelopes



Technology Roadmap

Energy-efficient Buildings: Heating and Cooling Equipment



Each roadmap sets an approach to identify how to transition to new more efficient technologies.

Scenario:

Stakeholders are saying that new policies are not possible because the technology is not available that enables increased energy efficiency.

What technologies could change your market for energy efficiency?

Special session: Technology demonstration

Trainers: Daikin

Purpose: To see how technology works and what it takes to make technology more energy efficient.



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