



NEW CHALLENGES FOR THE BUILDING ENERGY EFFICIENCY IN BULGARIA – SOME RESULTS OF TWO R&D PROJECTS AT THE TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY- SOFIA

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DUNK-01/3 "Creating an University Research and Development Centre for innovation and transfer of knowledge in the field of micro/ nano technologies and materials, energy efficiency and virtual engineering " in TU-Sofia-with partners: *the Technical University of Sofia, the University of Chemical Industry and Metallurgy - Sofia, and the Bulgarian Academy of Science.*

DFNI E 02/17" Parametric analysis for evaluation of the efficiency of transparent structures in systems for utilization of solar energy - with partners: *the University of Chemical Industry and Metallurgy - Sofia, the Technical University of Sofia and the Technical University Angel Kanchev- Rousse*



- Energy efficiency
- Renewable energy

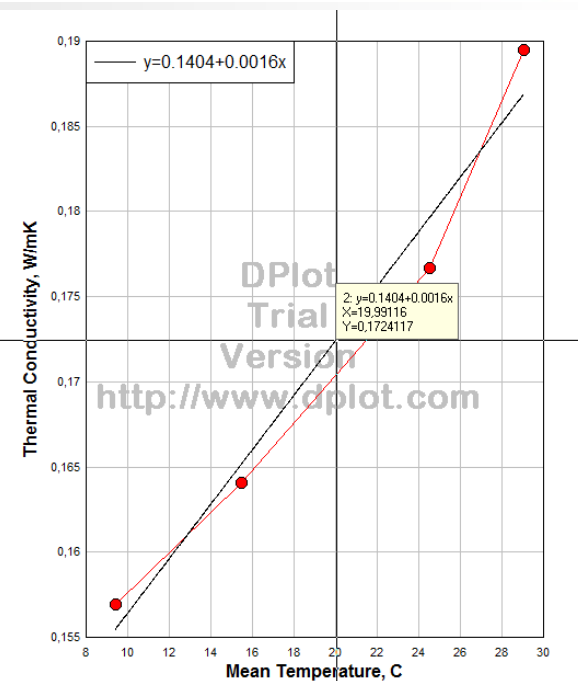
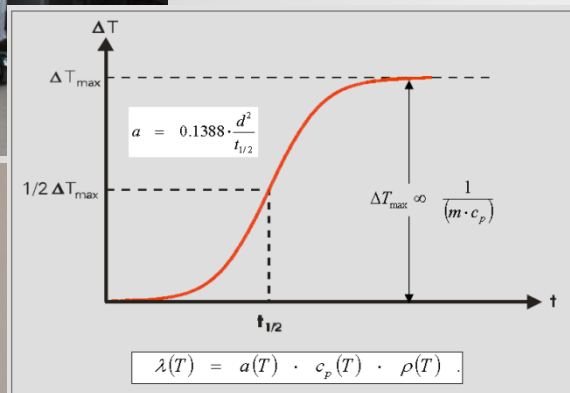
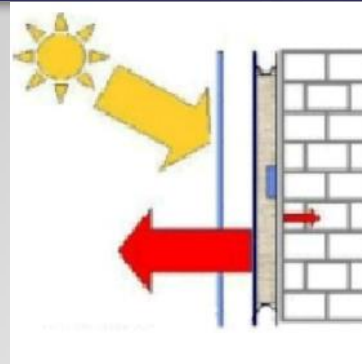
SOME of the MAIN TASKS:

1. Thermal properties of materials – experimental study and development of engineering models.
2. Experimental study and structural- parametric optimization of systems for thermal and electrical conversion and utilization of solar energy.
3. Optimization of the energy conversion efficiency in low temperature heat pumps.
4. Generation of cold by means of solar energy.
5. Energy performance of buildings – models for evaluation of building annual energy consumption, experimental study of different applications of passive building elements,...



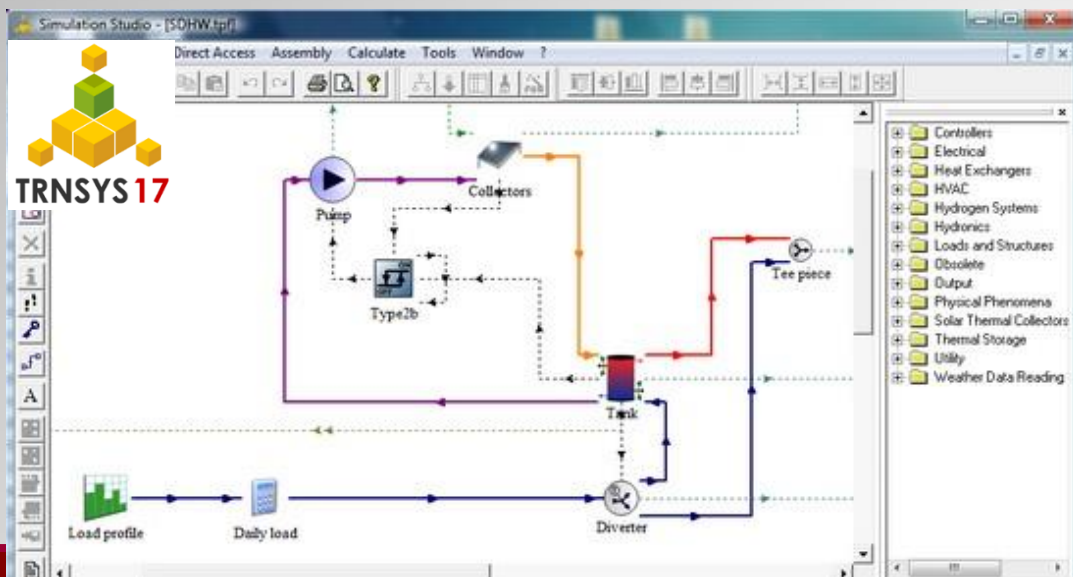
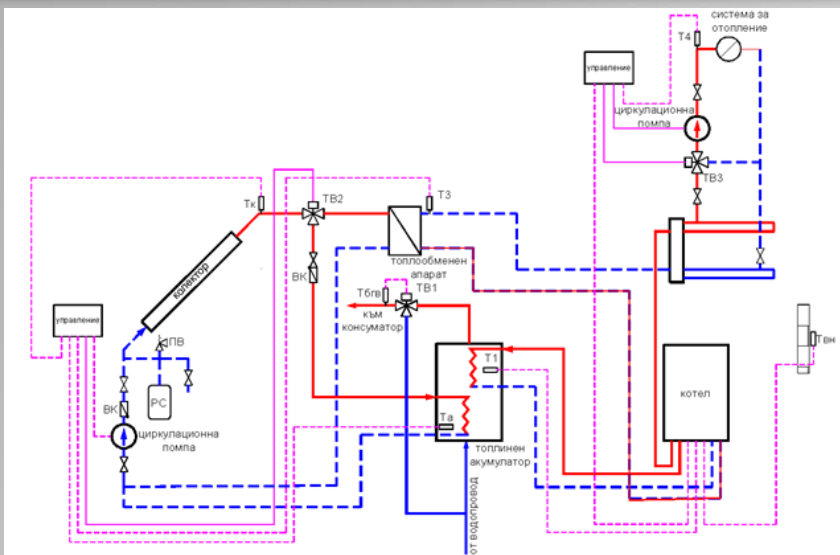
NEW LABORATORY "THERMAL PROPERTIES OF MATERIALS"

1. Thermal properties of materials

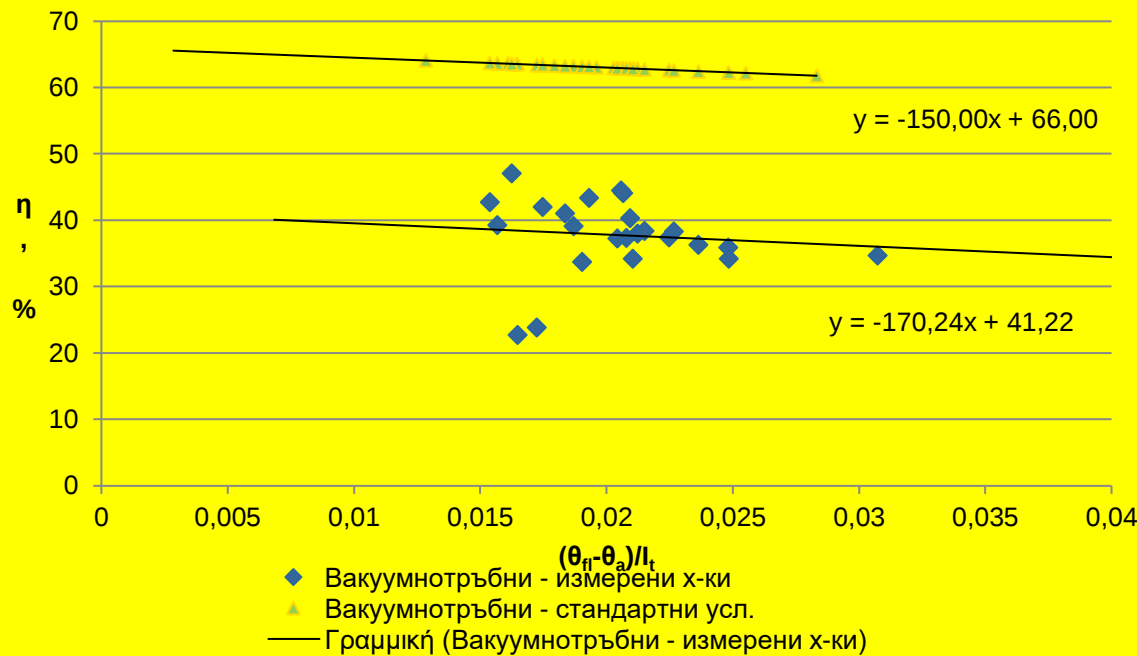
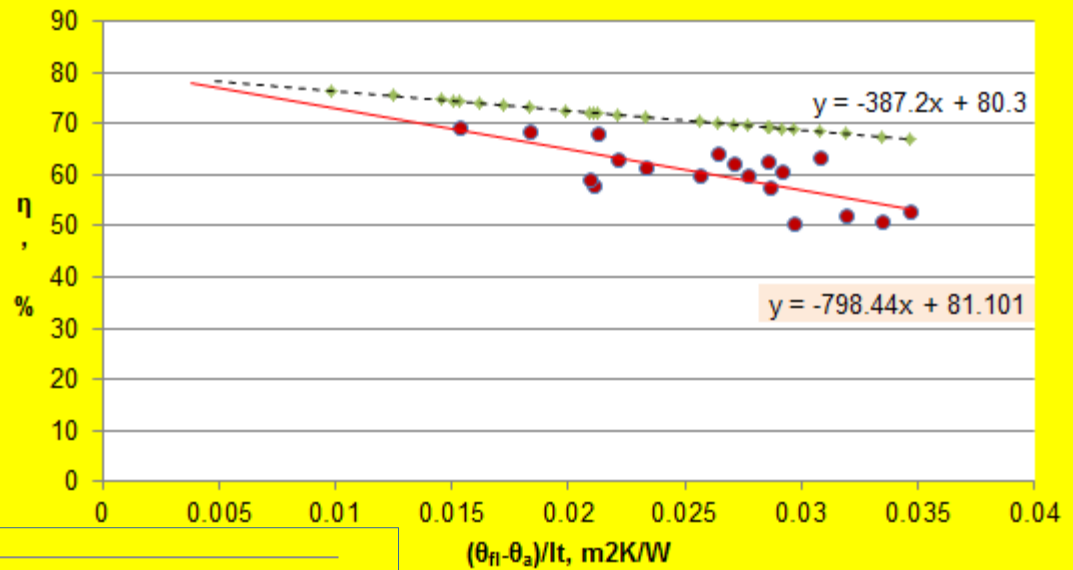
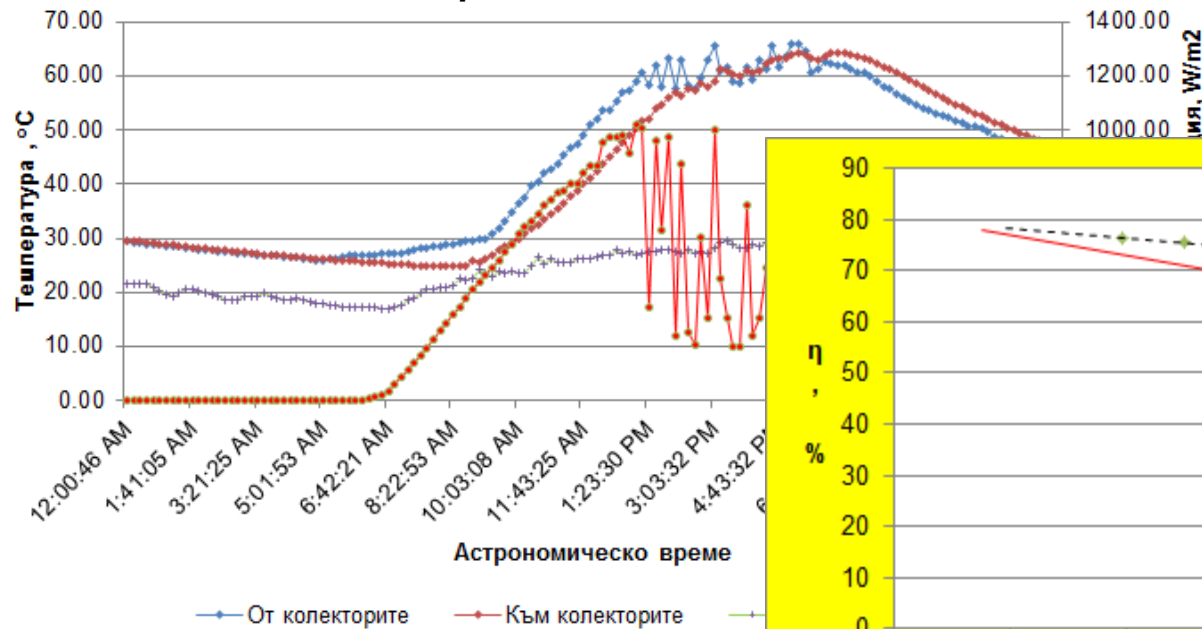


$$\varepsilon = \frac{\lambda_{\text{декл}} - \lambda_{\text{изм}}}{\lambda_{\text{изм}}} \cdot 100 = \frac{0.13 - 0.1724}{0.1724} \cdot 100 = -24.55\%$$

2. Experimental study and structural-parametric optimization of systems for thermal and electrical conversion and utilization of solar energy

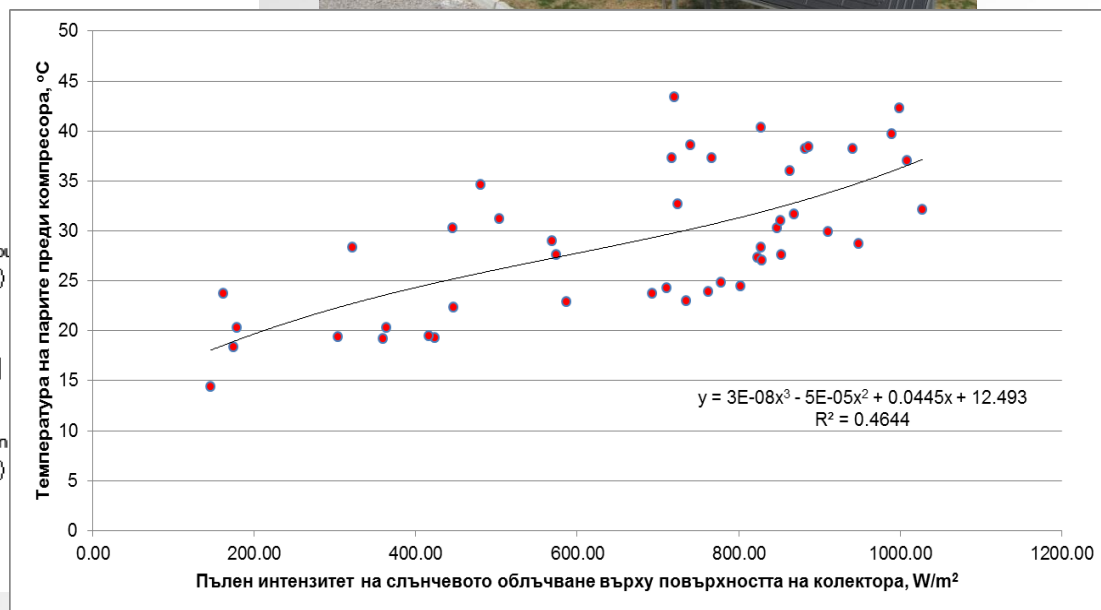
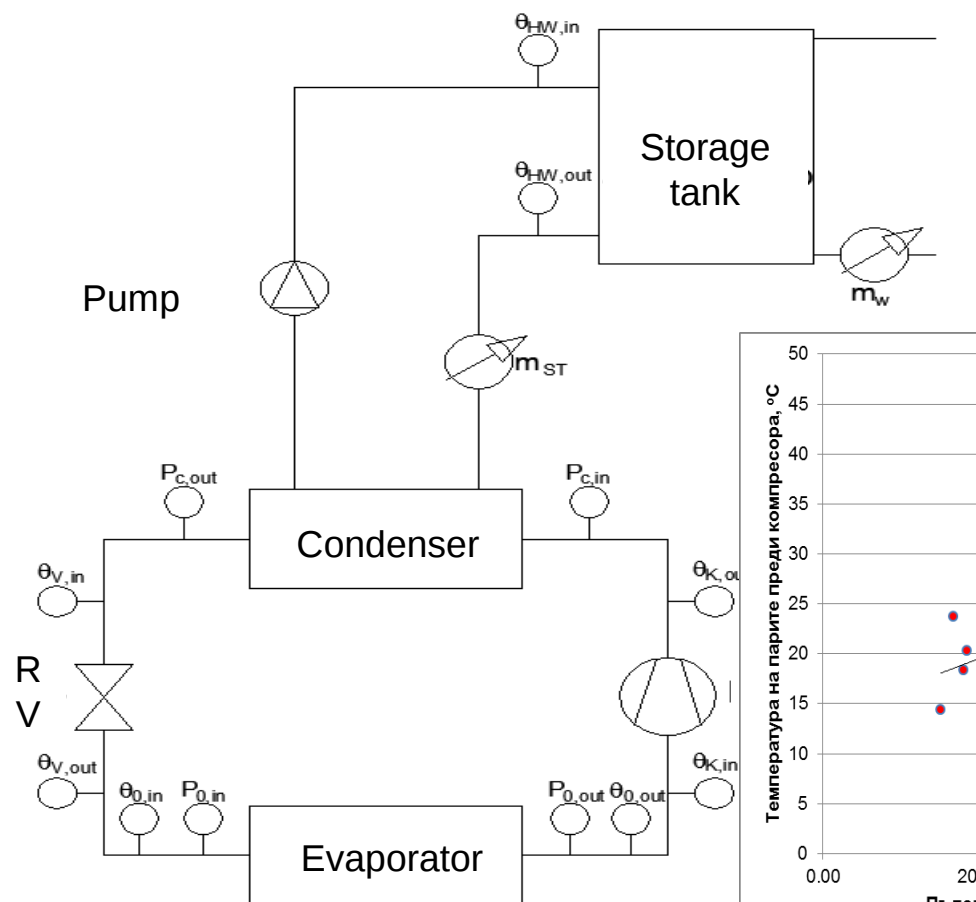


Flat plate solar collector

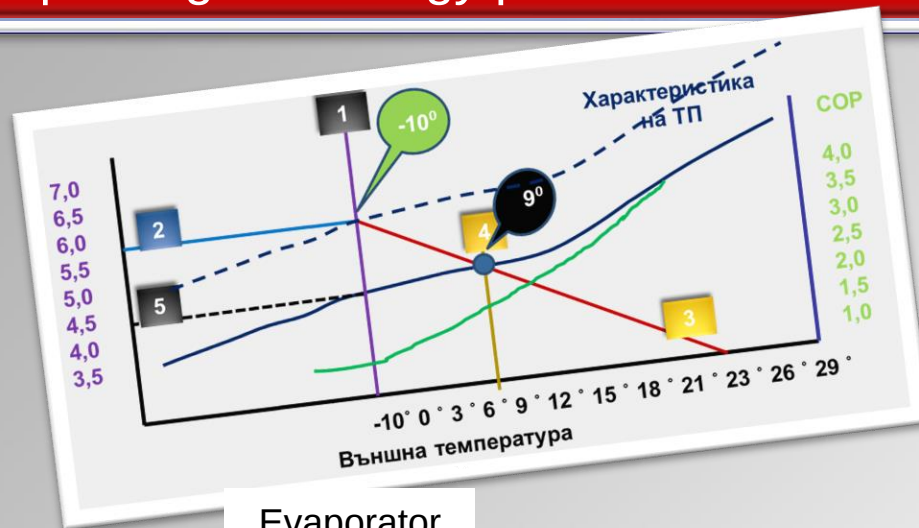




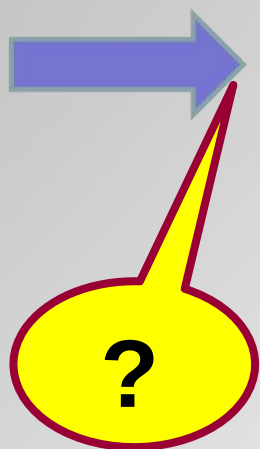
...combined active solar system with radiative solar collector



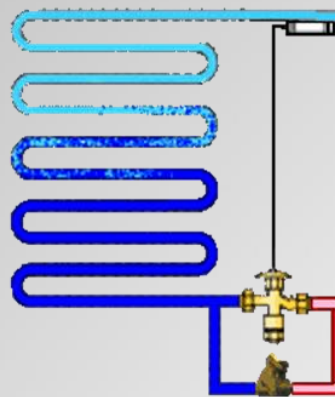
Heat pumps – structural and parametric analysis and synthesis for improving the energy performance of heat pumps



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източник



Evaporator

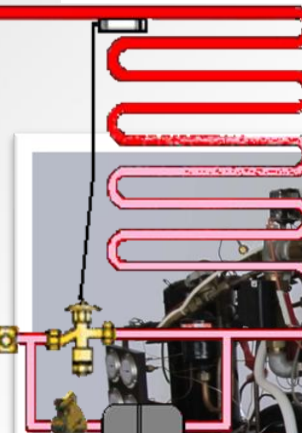


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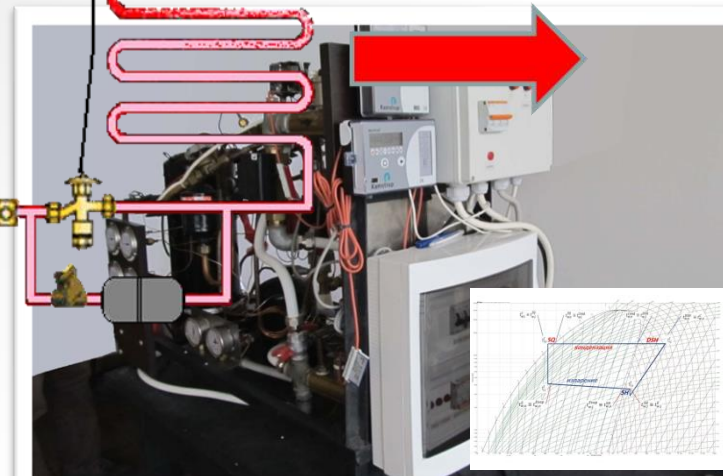


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Condenser

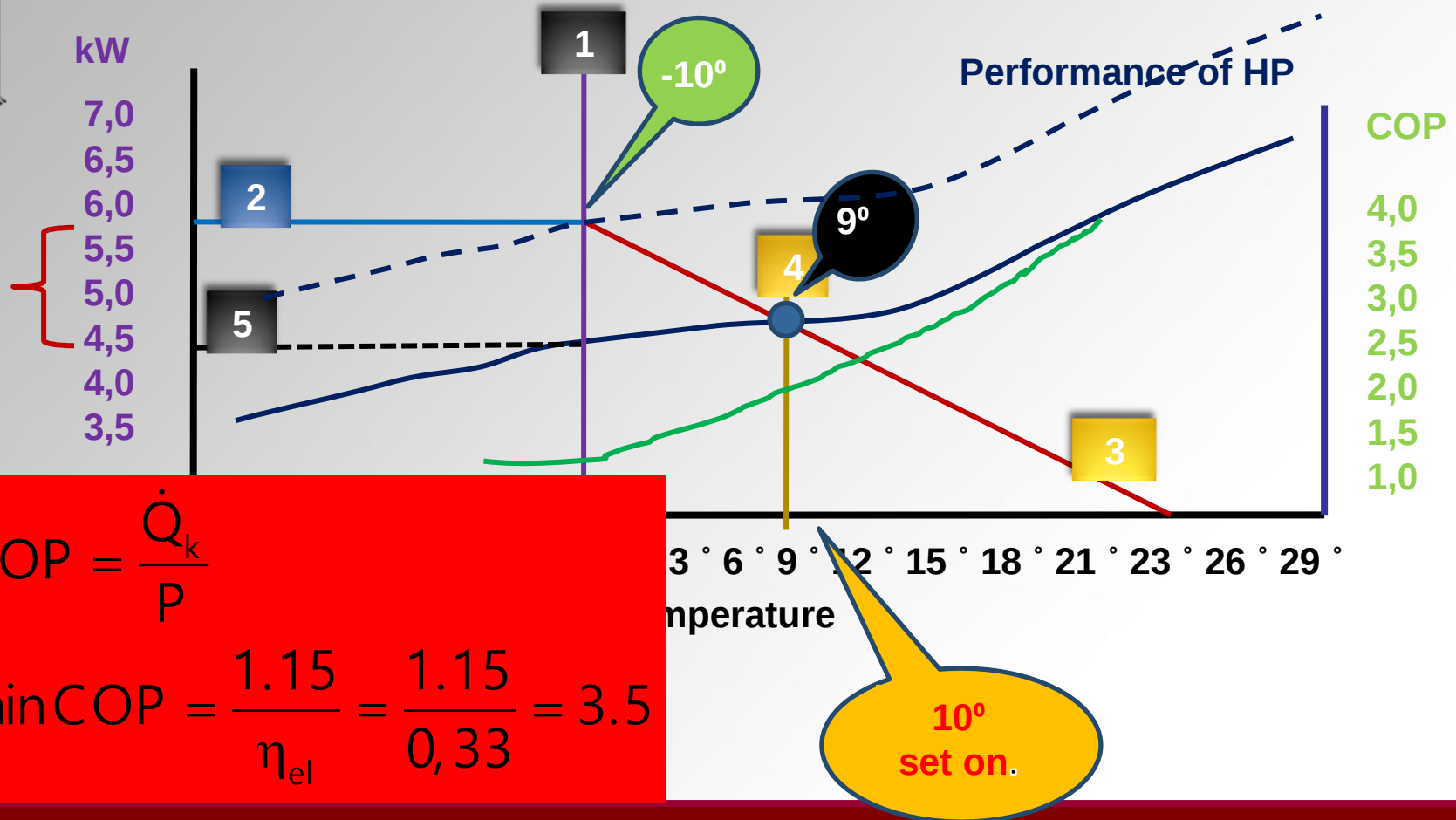


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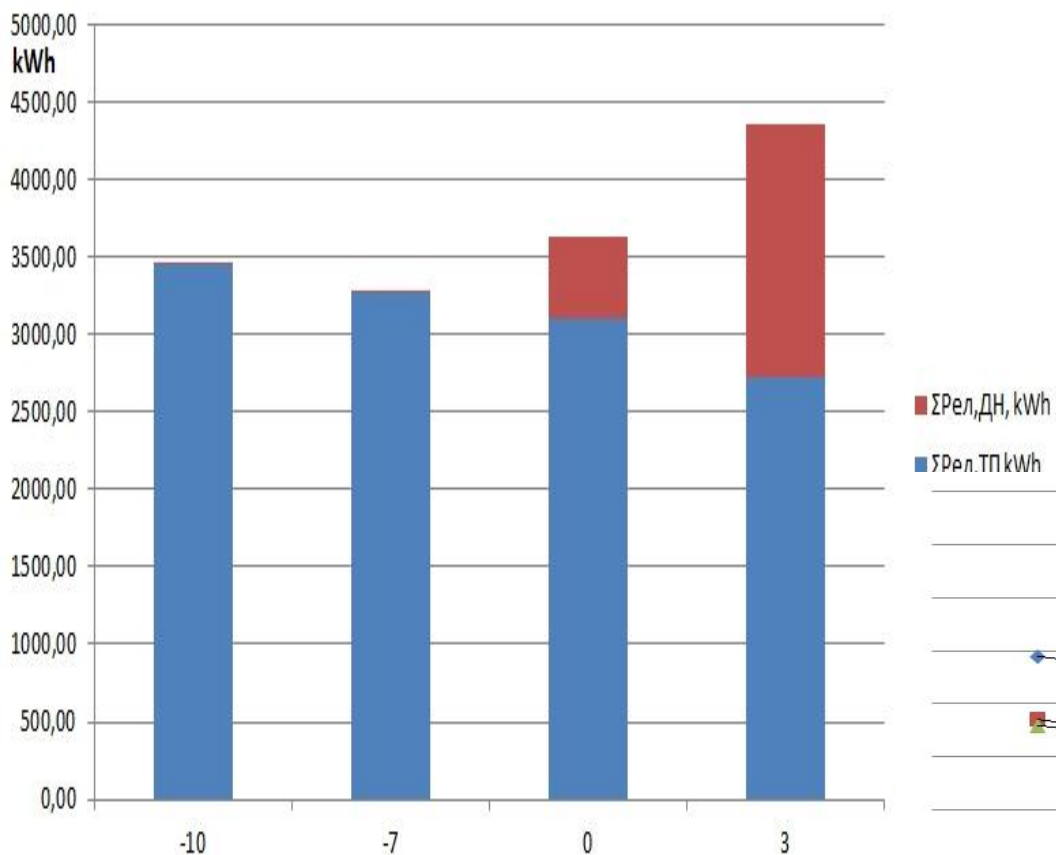


Some our findings about the lack of data for proper application of the heat pumps





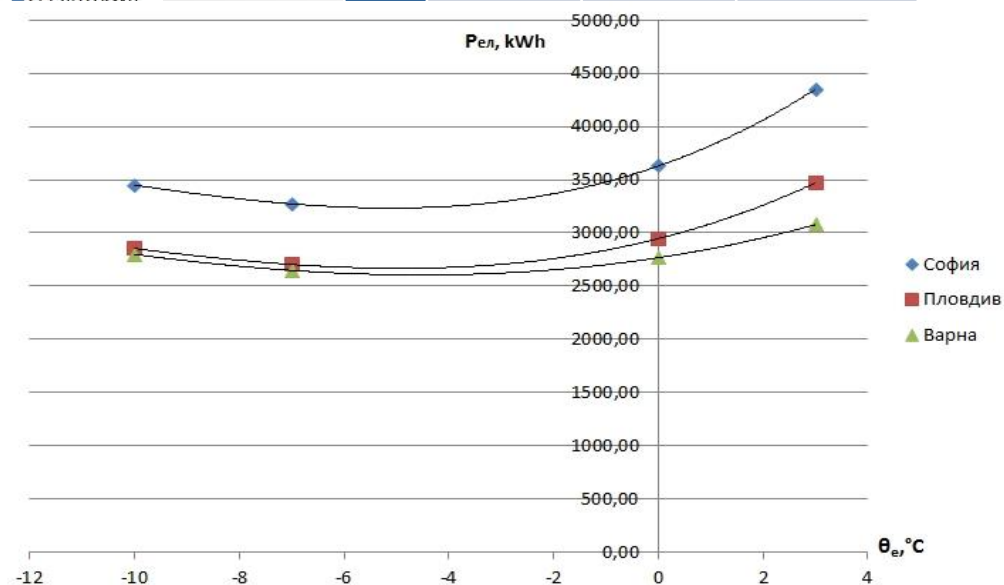
Energy need for heating - residential building in Sofia



Design temperature, °C

Comparative analysis for different climatic zones in Bulgaria

	София	Пловдив	Варна
	Σ Rel, kWh	Σ Rel, kWh	Σ Rel, kWh
3	4350,04	3470,53	3077,63
0	3628,10	2945,64	2766,33
-7	3272,75	2703,57	2647,41
-10	3449,70	2852,76	2798,47





Development of methods and procedures for application of the infrared analysis for assessment of properties



1. Energy efficiency

- *buildings,*
- *HVAC systems*
- *industrial and electrical systems*

2. Diagnostics and preventive control

- *mechanical and electrical systems*
- *quality control*

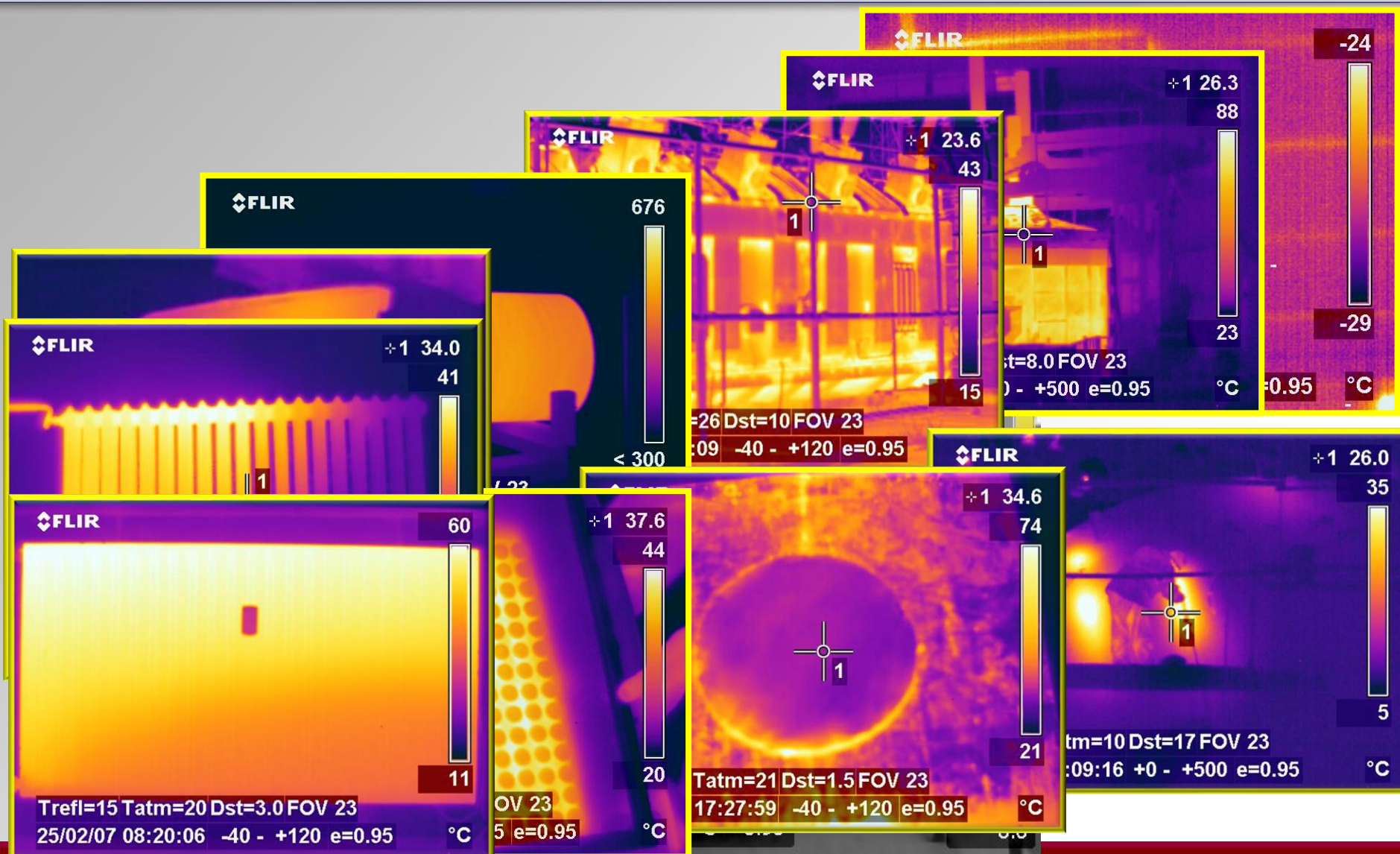
3. New materials

- *identification of properties of new materials*
- *thermal properties of new components*

4. Medicine

- *assessment of medical apparatus for therapy*
- *microclimate*

5. Sport





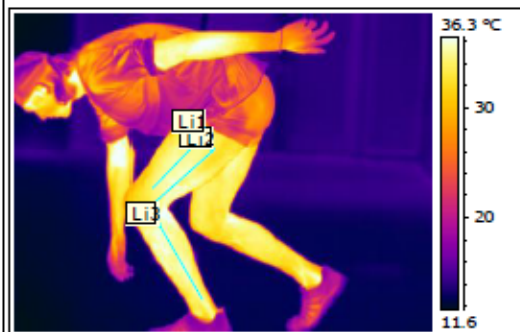
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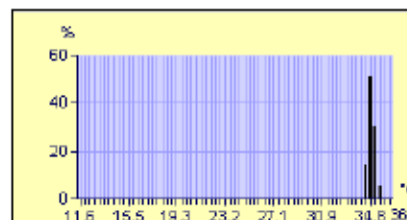
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ОБЕКТ: Атанас

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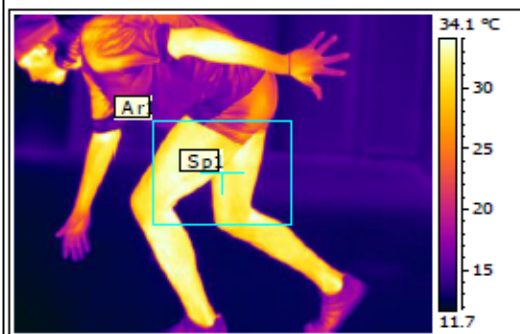


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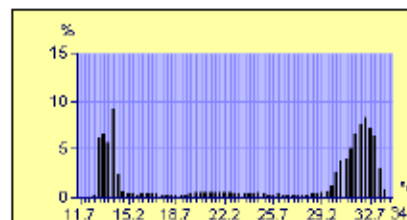


■ Li3 Peak: 50.4 Min.: 34.6 Max.: 35.8 Average: 35.1

Термограма: Бягане 2

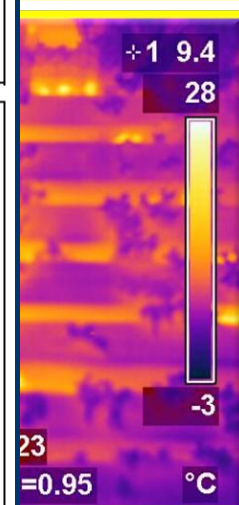
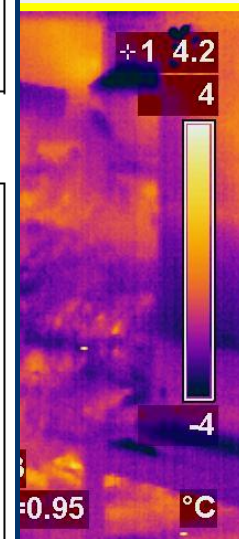
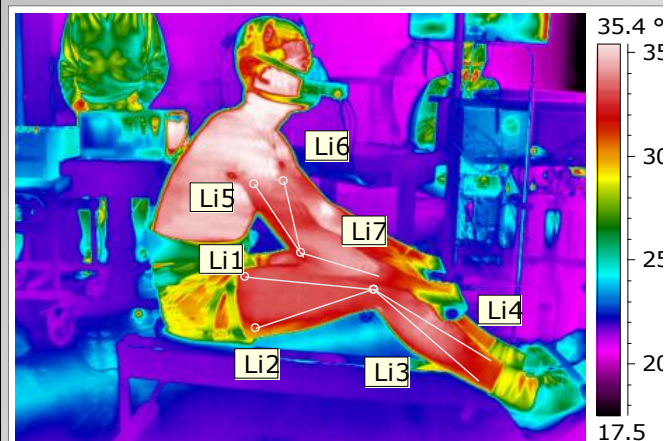


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Sp1 Temperature	-3.7 °C
Ar1 Max - Min Temperature	-



■ Ar1 Peak: 9.3 Min.: 13.0 Max.: 35.0 Average: 25.3

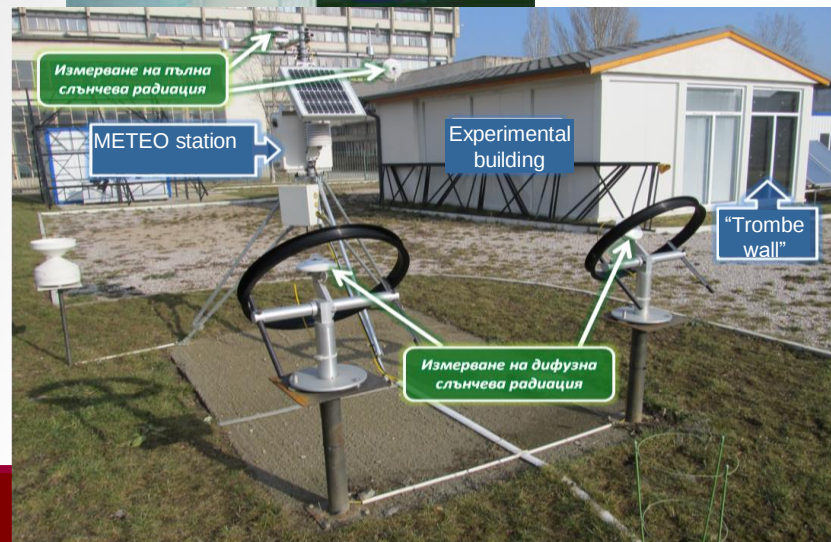
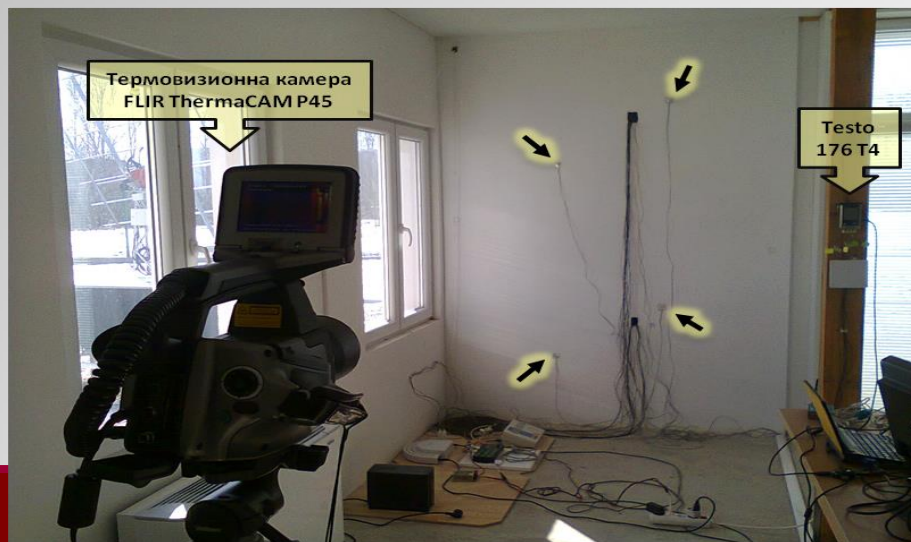
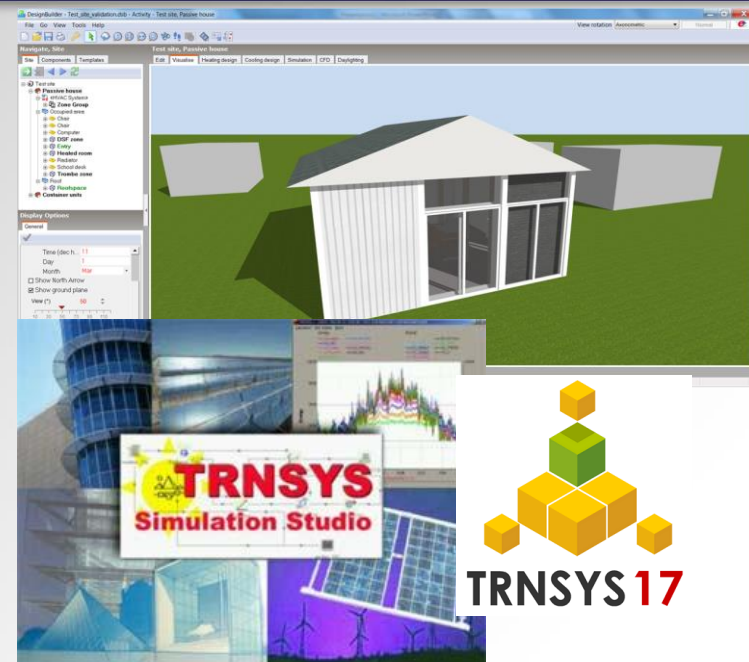
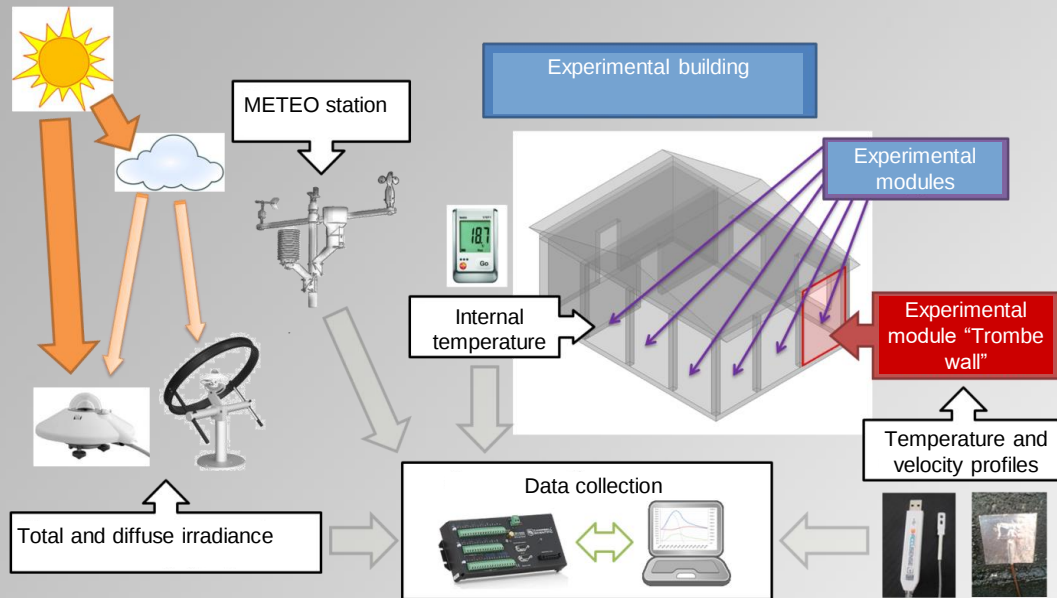
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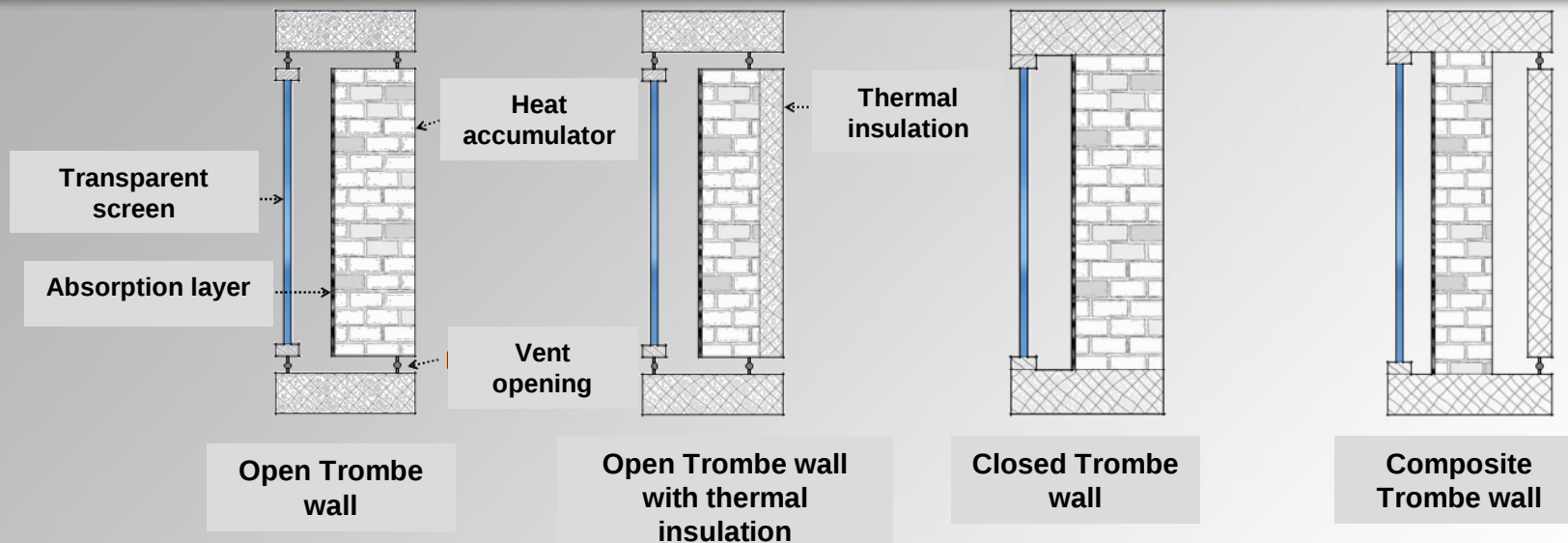




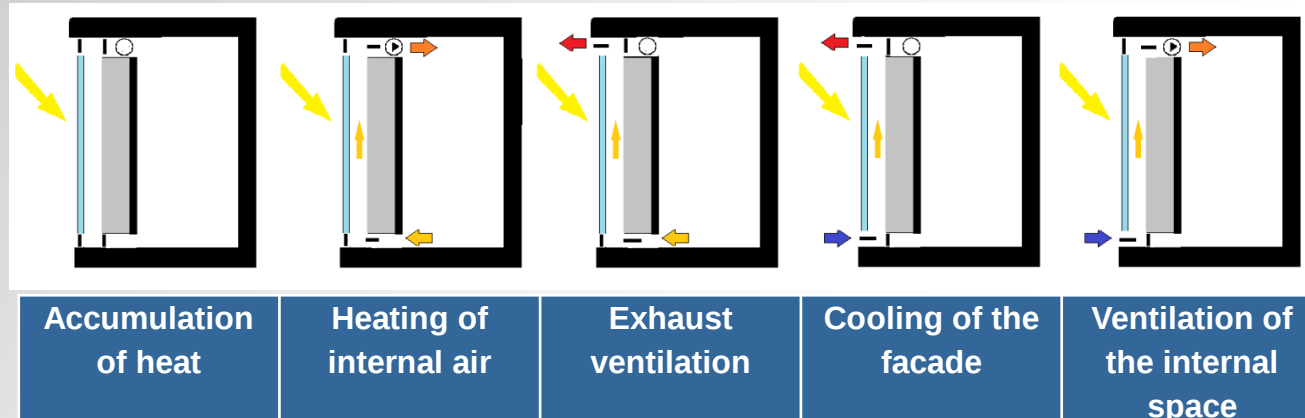
4. Generation of cold by means of solar energy





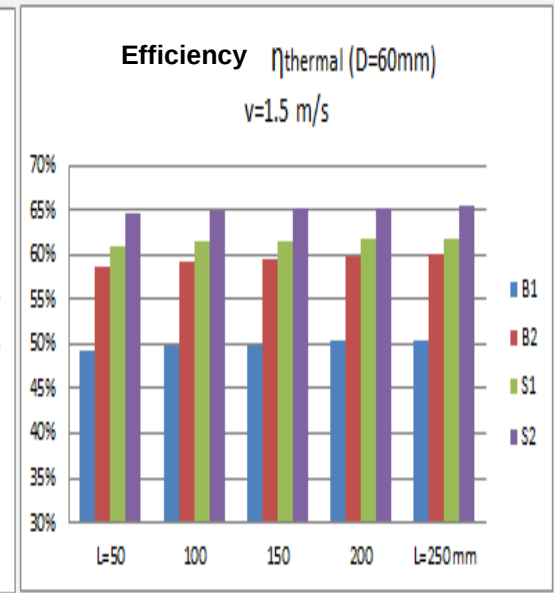
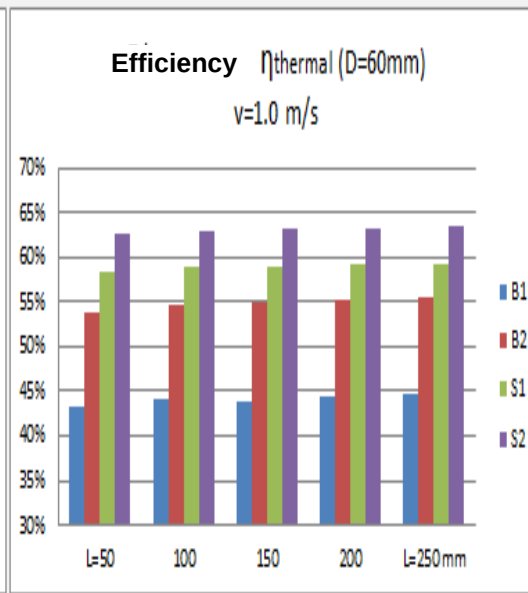
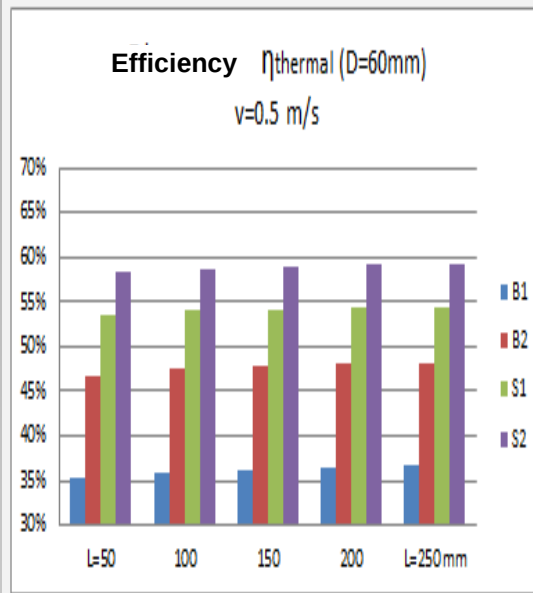


Modes of operation



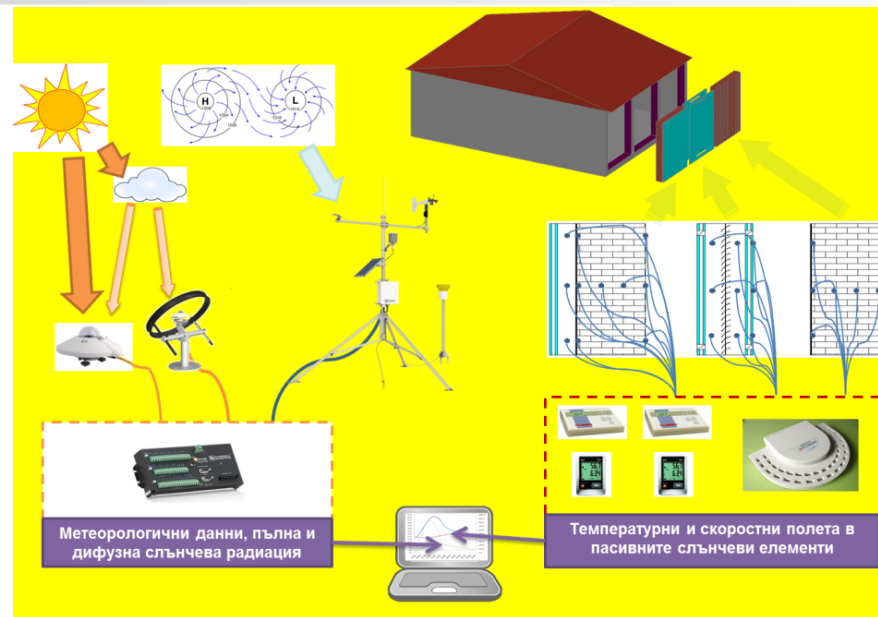
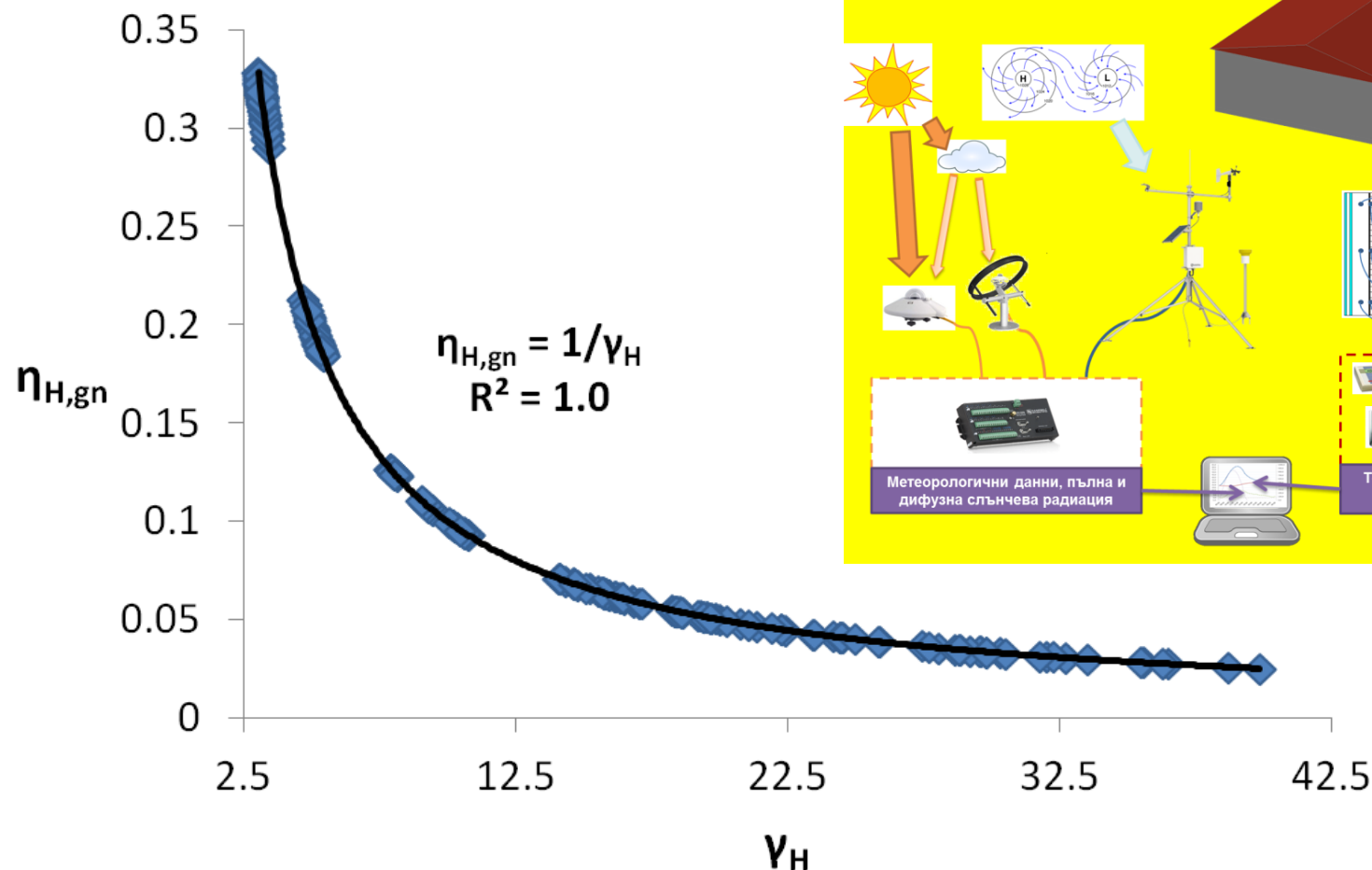


The efficiency of the passive elements for the climatic conditions of Bulgaria



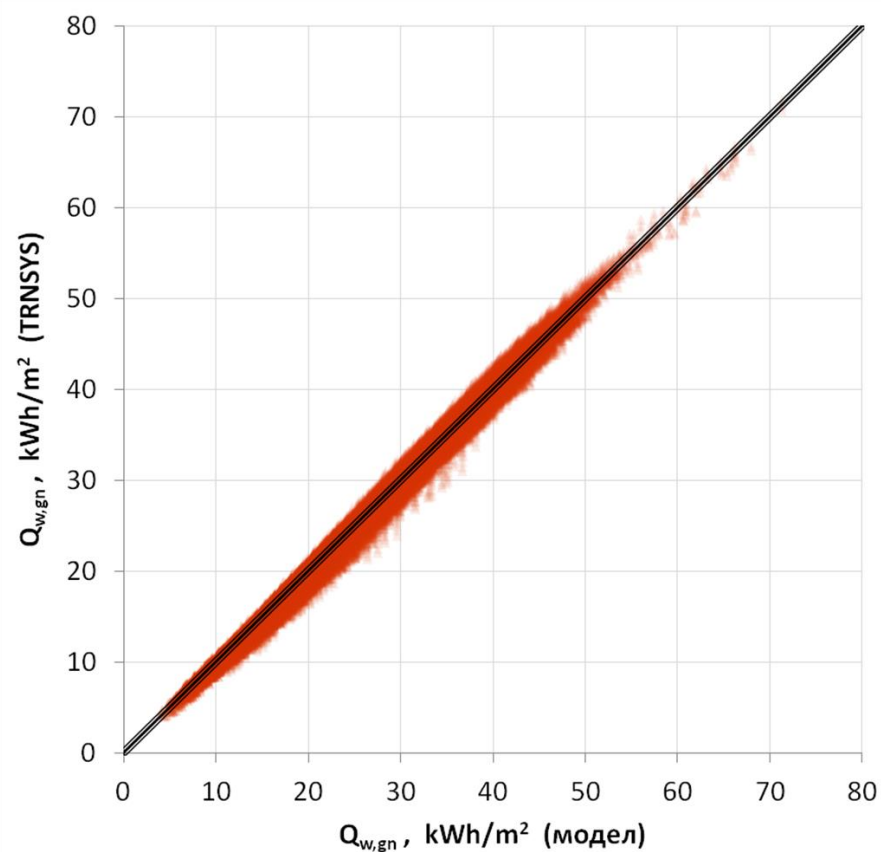
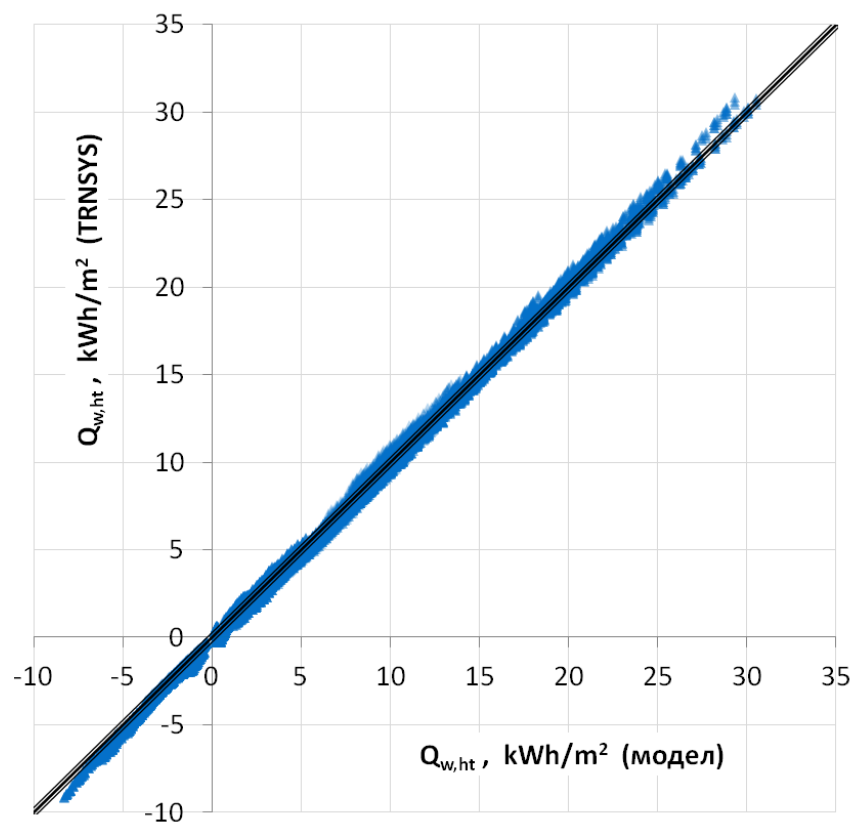


$$Q_{H,nd} = Q_{H,ht} \rightarrow \eta_{H,gn} \leftarrow Q_{H,gn}$$



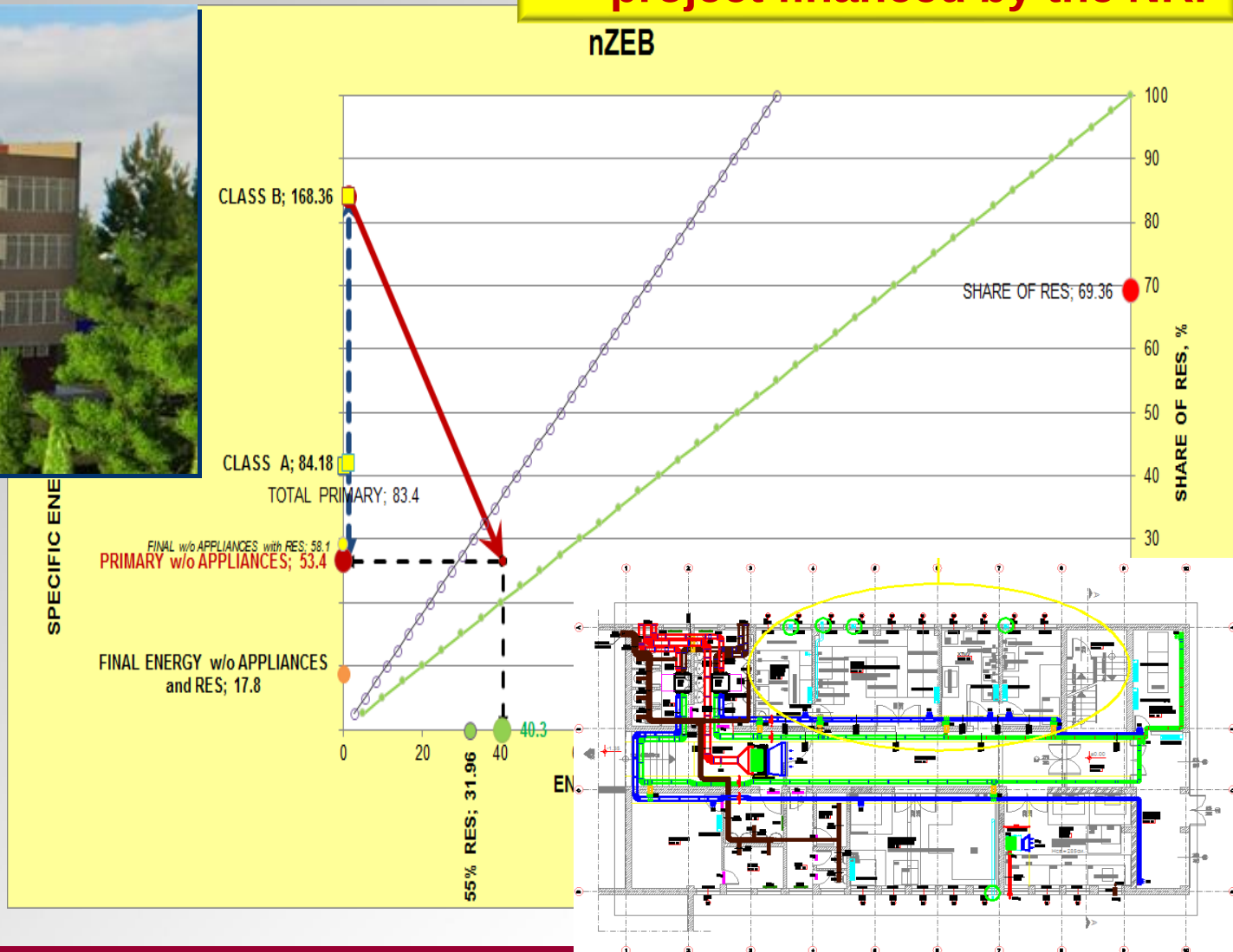


$$Q_{H,nd} = Q_{H,ht} - \eta_{H,gn} Q_{H,gn}$$





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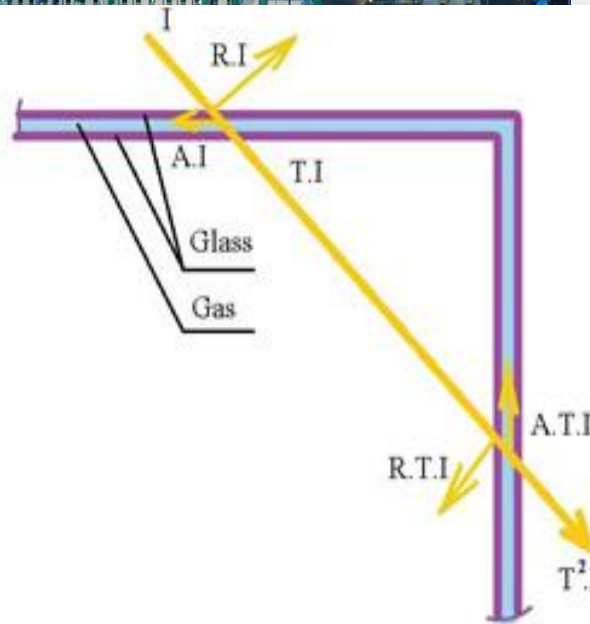
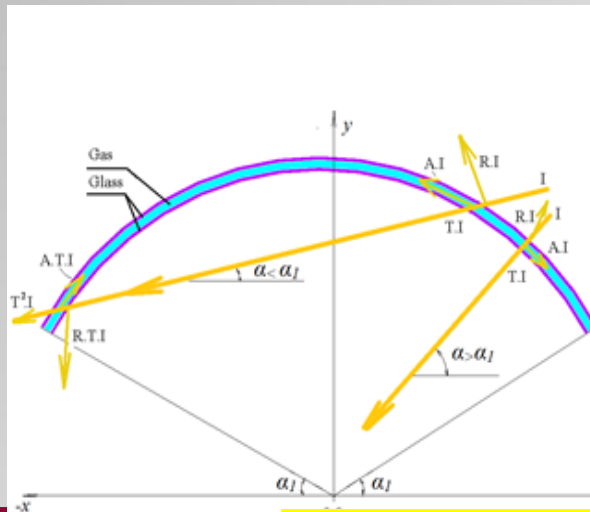




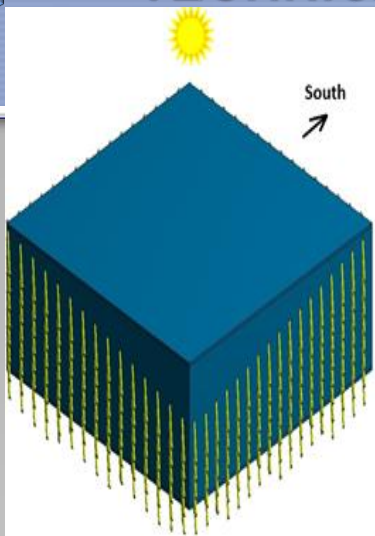
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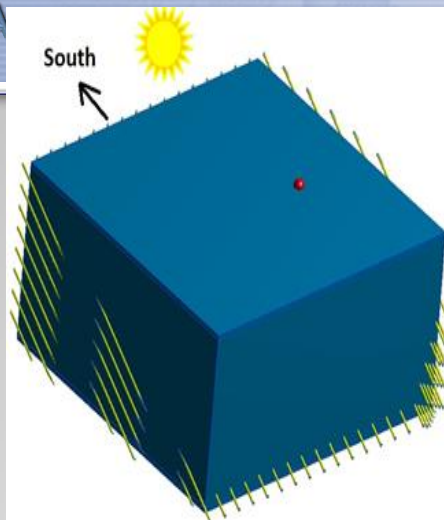
UCIM-Sofia: Complex heat exchange in large-scale transparent building fences



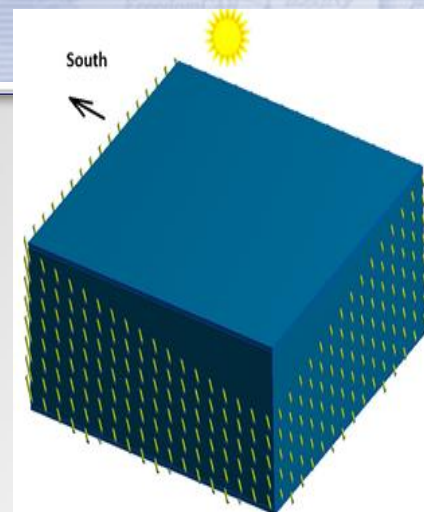
Indoor solar ray tracing



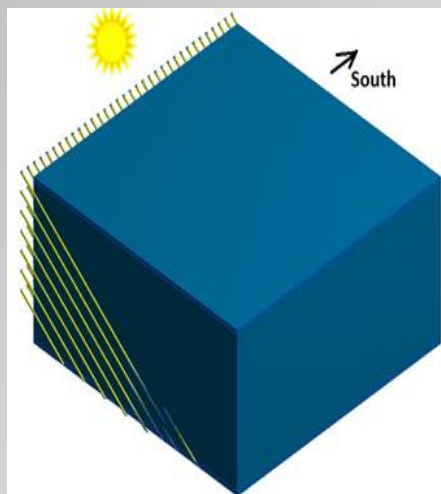
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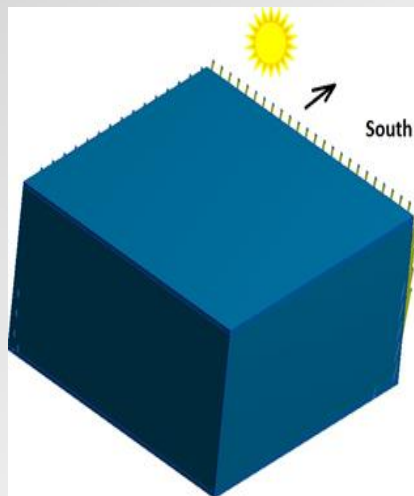
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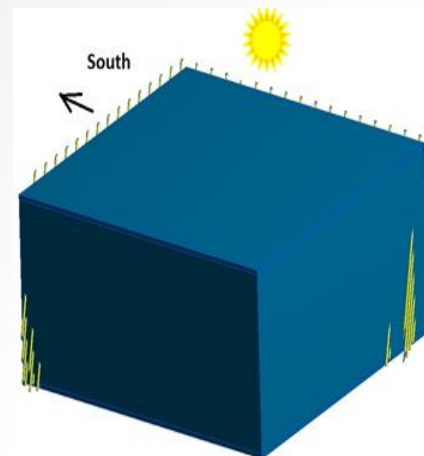
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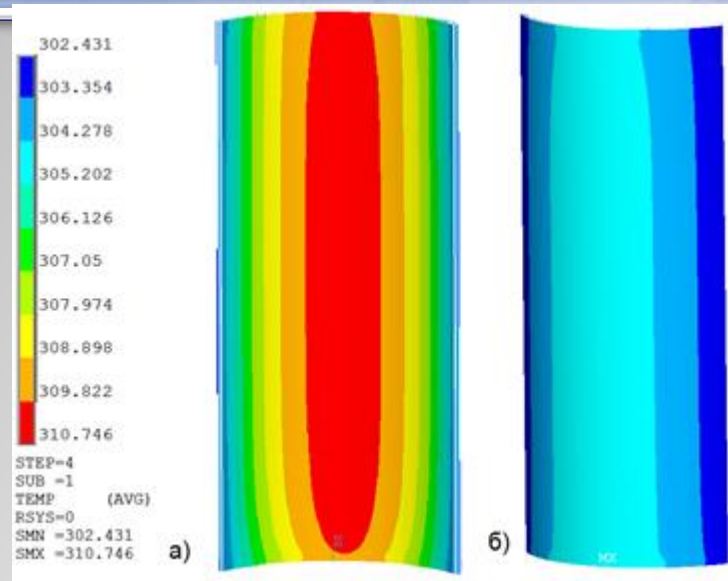
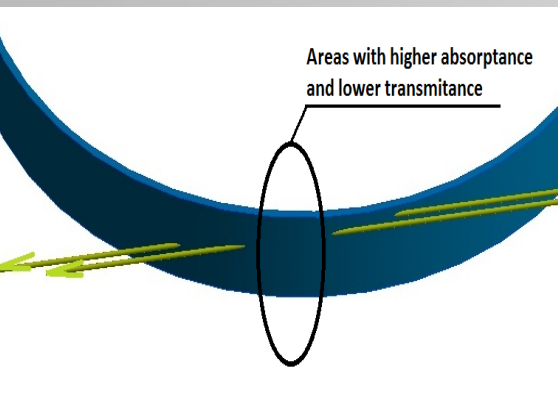
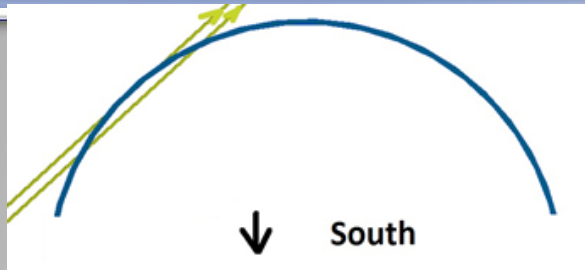


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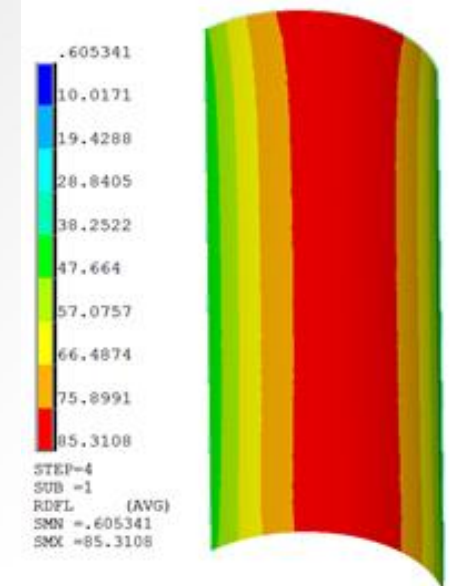
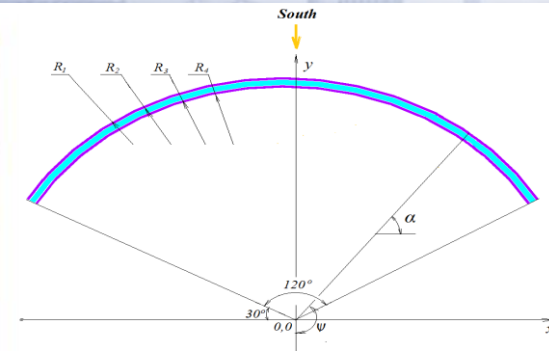
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Sunlight on curved transparent walls



Temperature field in a double semi-cylindrical glass package

- a) ext. surface
- b) int. surface



Density of the radiation flux emitted from the inner surface

Heat load on curved surfaces:

- unequal heat flux density;
- uneven passage, absorption and reflection ability;
- uneven temperature field and temp. gradients.

Effects of sunlight on transparent enclosures with non-zero angular radiation coefficients

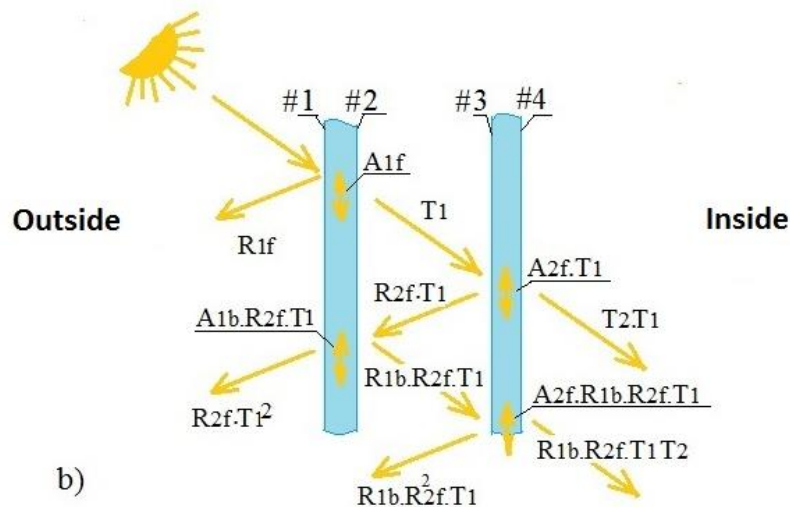
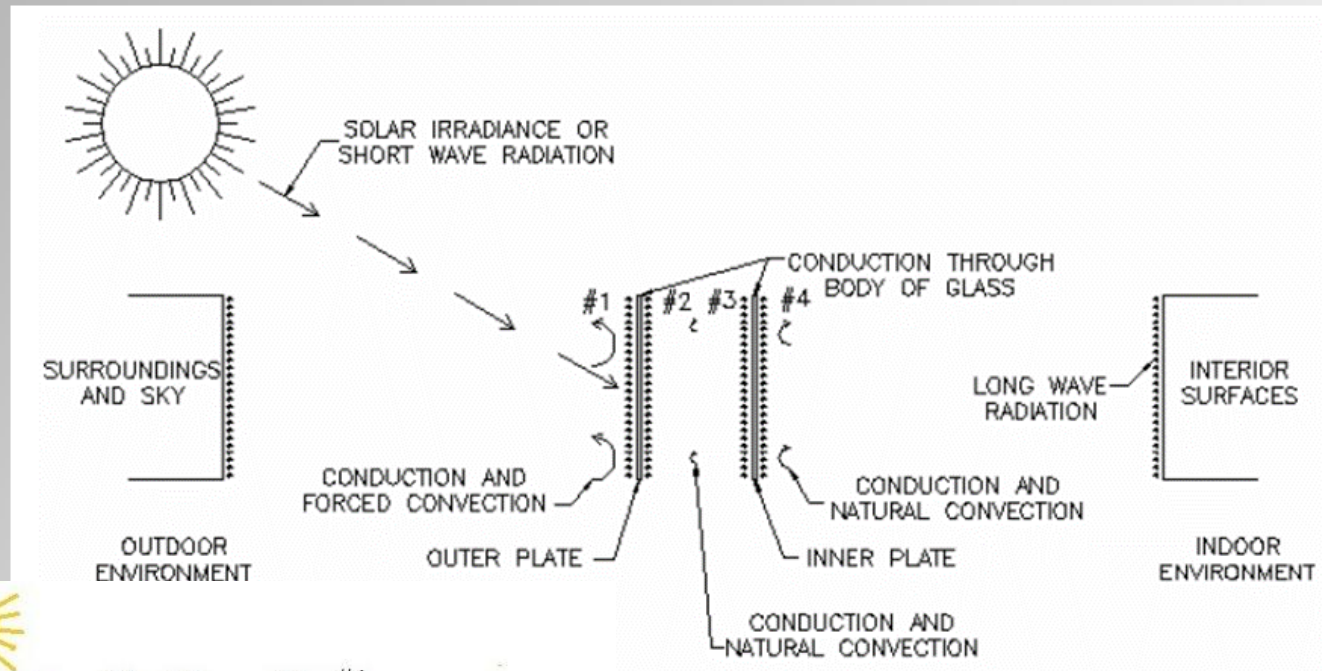
- Inaccuracy in the assessment of solar gains in buildings
- Radiation asymmetry and greenhouse effect in the premises

The upper limit for the permissible temperature difference between the temperatures of the inner surfaces of the walls and the remaining internal surfaces is 23 K. The solar energy absorbed by the glasses leads to an increase in their temperature: in the presence of sunshine, the internal glass temperatures are higher than those of the massive walls. This effect is more pronounced in coated glasses as their absorption capacity is higher than the absorption capacity of uncoated glass.

- Additional thermal loads of building glass elements



Heat-exchange and heat load in double glazing in the presence of sunshine



Processes causing mechanical stresses and deformations of the elements in glass panes:

- Temperature extensions;
- Internal loads

Objective: to create an algorithm for predicting thermo-mechanical behavior and the possibility of fatigue of transparent elements of glass-packets in the seasonal variation of climatic conditions and solar radiation.

Modeling of conjugated heat exchange through glazing units

Practice shows that non-stationary temperature fields in transparent facade elements with practical accuracy can be considered as a sequence of stationary ones, resulting from boundary conditions reflecting current weather conditions.

System of equations based on differential method.

Fluid environment (pressurized gas space of glass):

- continuity equation;
- motion equations;
- energy equation;
- model of turbulence;
- models of dynamic and thermal boundary layer.

Non-fluid medium (glass sheets, spacer, gaskets):

- Energy equation for rigid fixed environment (Fourier-Kirchhoff).

The surfaces limiting the pressurized gas space form a closed system. Modern computational simulation environments offer possibilities for calculating angular coefficients and heat exchange by emitting between the "mutually visible" surfaces of the finite elements / volumes in closed and open systems [Radiosity solver method].



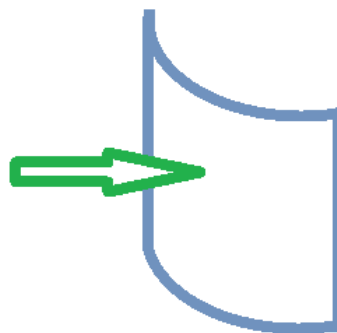
- **As a result of the numerical studies of the heat exchange in the glass panes, information on the variation of the internal load due to the change in the temperature of the pressurized gas was obtained within the individual days and months. It has been found to change several times a day and, in the absence of additional components, will cause deformation of windows in opposite directions during the winter and summer months.**
- **The resulting numerical values of the overpressure and the under pressure in the sealed gas space allow for prediction of the total internal load in the surveyed structure in terms of the possible variation of the meteorological pressure and of the altitudes at the places of production and installation of the glass pane. This information makes it possible to investigate the cyclic mechanical deformations, stresses, and the fatigue potential of building glass elements.**



Internal loads on glass panes

$$\Delta p_{is} = C_1 \cdot \Delta T - \Delta p_{met} + C_2 \cdot \Delta H$$

$$C_1 = 0,34 \text{ kPa/K}; C_2 = 0,012 \text{ kPa/m}$$



Standard
external influences



High air pressure,
low temperature

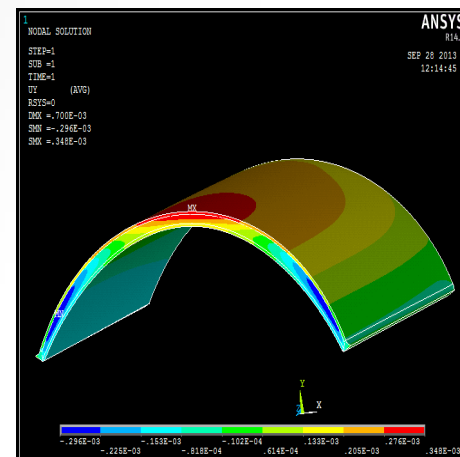
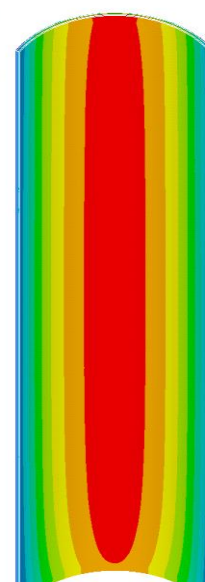


Low air pressure,
high temperature

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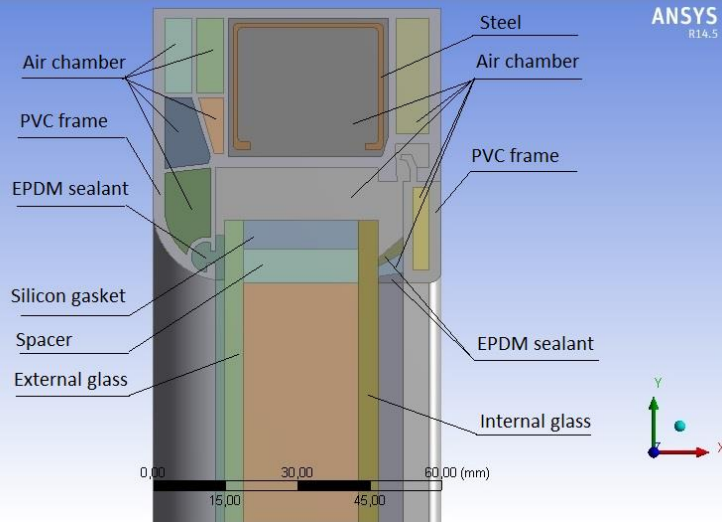
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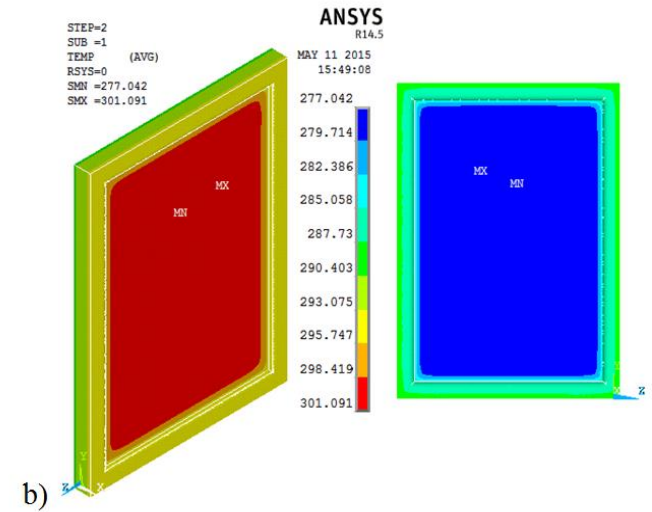
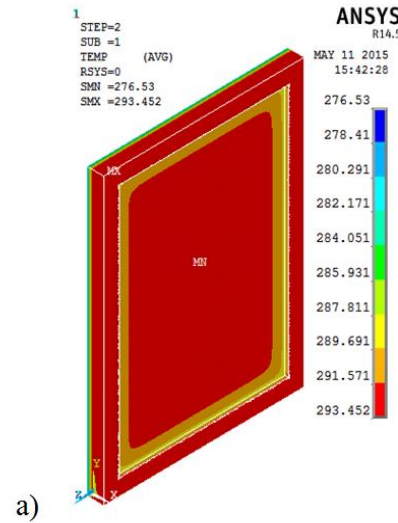




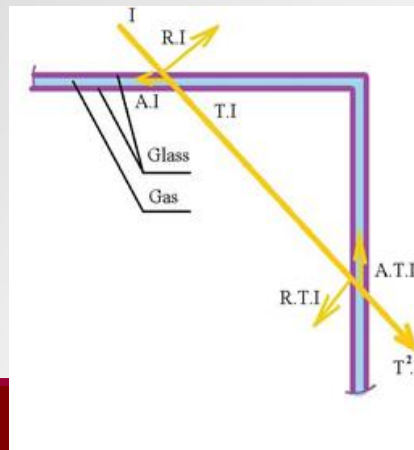
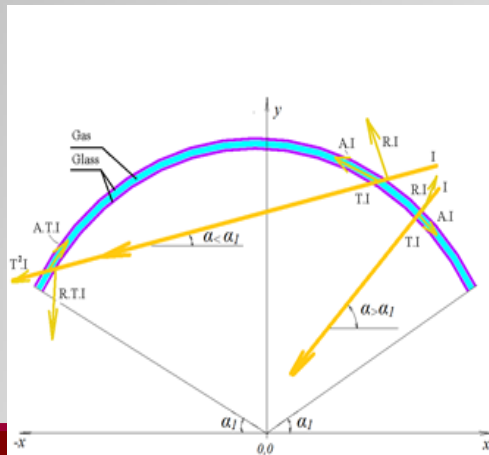
Numerical studies of heat exchange in window systems



ANSYS R14.5



Temperature fields under standard test conditions to determine $U, W/(m^2K)$



Indoor solar ray tracing



Subject of research: transparent structures in passive systems: direct passive systems, Trombe's wall

Parametric analysis to evaluate the effectiveness of transparent structures

Parameters

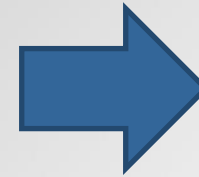
- Energy characteristics that affect solar energy recovery
- Reliability
- Embodied energy
- "Energy Payback Time"
- Technical life



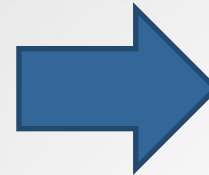
Algorithm for parameterized model studies of transparent structures aimed at increasing the positive effect of their life cycle and the energy efficiency of passive systems



Analysis of energy performance deviations of transparent structures under operating conditions as determined by standardized methods



Algorithm for assessing the impact of transparent structure parameters on their reliability and lifecycle



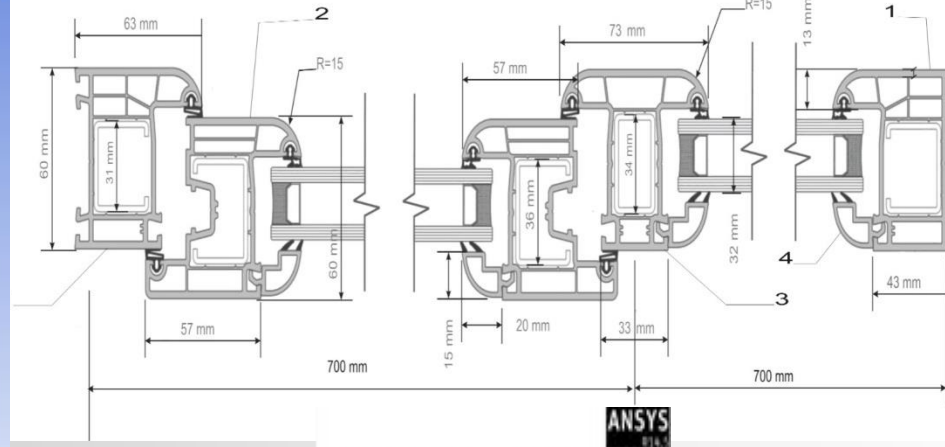
Concept of the use of research results in the methodologies for research and evaluation of the energy efficiency of passive solar systems



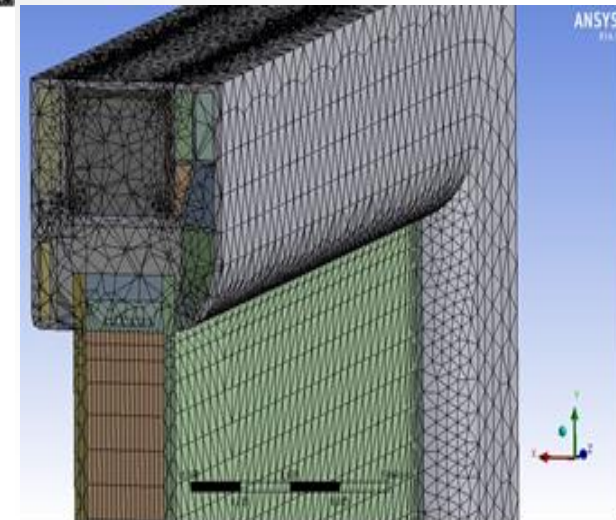
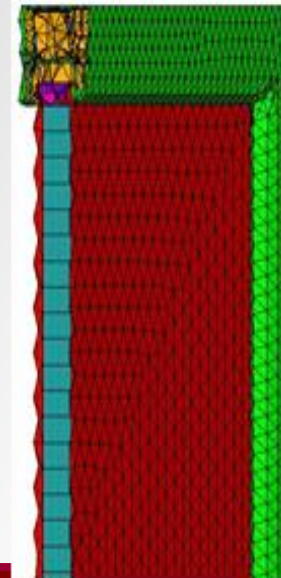
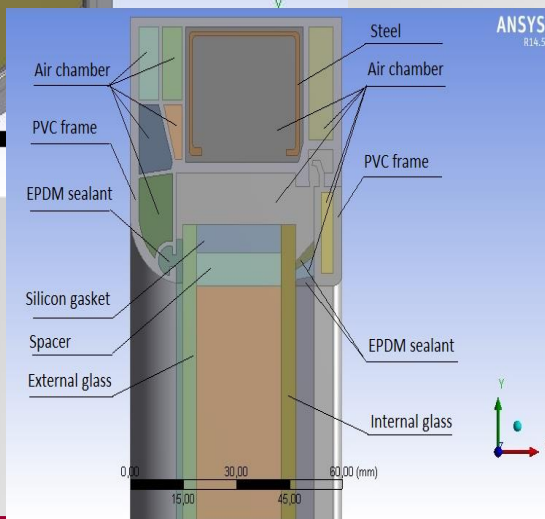
THERMAL LOAD ANALYSIS OF INSULATING WINDOW SYSTEMS

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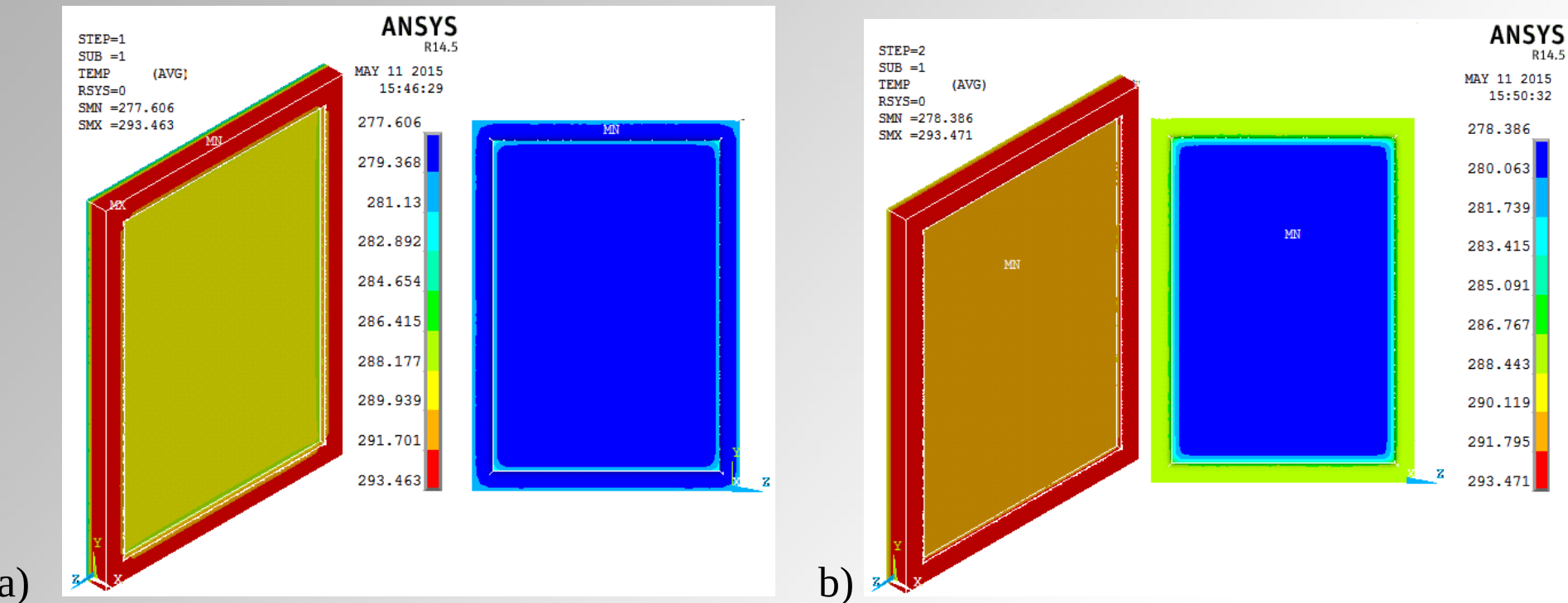


Figure 4. Temperature fields at window without coatings

a) Hot box conditions; b) Winter conditions in presence of solar irradiation

Average temperature and isochoric pressure of the hermetically sealed gas (argon)

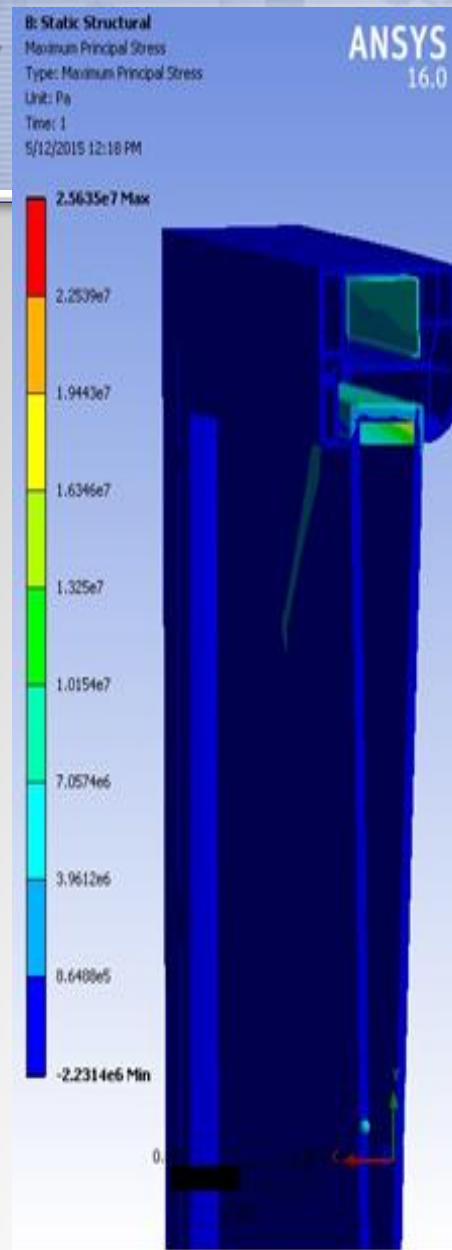
Numerical experiments	Test conditions at Hotbox chamber $t_{in}=21^{\circ}\text{C}$, $t_{out}=3^{\circ}\text{C}$ $h_{si}=3,6 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}^{-1}$ $h_{se}=23 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}^{-1}$ (Analysis by ANSYS APDL/Flotran)	Daily winter conditions with solar irradiation $t_{in}=21^{\circ}\text{C}$, $t_{out}=3^{\circ}\text{C}$, $t_{sky}= -10^{\circ}\text{C}$, $F_1=0.5$; $I_s=350 \text{ W/m}^2$ $h_{si}=3,6 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}^{-1}$ $h_{se}=23 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}^{-1}$ (Analysis by ANSYS APDL/Flotran)	Night winter conditions $t_{in}=21^{\circ}\text{C}$, $t_{out}=3^{\circ}\text{C}$ $t_{sky}= -10^{\circ}\text{C}$; $F_1=0$ $h_{si}=3,6 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}^{-1}$ $h_{se}=23 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}^{-1}$ (Analysis by ANSYS/Fluent)
Window system with low-e coating on surface 3	$t_{gas}=11^{\circ}\text{C}$ $\Delta T=-9 \text{ K}$ $\Delta p_{is}=-3060 \text{ Pa}$	$t_{gas}=16^{\circ}\text{C}$ $\Delta T=-4 \text{ K}$ $\Delta p_{is}=-1360 \text{ Pa}$	$t_{gas}=11^{\circ}\text{C}$ $\Delta T= -9.2 \text{ K}$ $\Delta p_{is}=3106 \text{ Pa}$
Window system without coatings on the glass surfaces	$t_{gas}=10^{\circ}\text{C}$ $\Delta T=-10 \text{ K}$ $\Delta p_{is}=3400 \text{ Pa}$	$t_{gas}=12^{\circ}\text{C}$ $\Delta T=-8 \text{ K}$ $\Delta p_{is}=-2720 \text{ Pa}$	-
UGU with low-e coating on surface 3	$t_{gas}=11^{\circ}\text{C}$ $\Delta T=-9 \text{ K}$ $\Delta p_{is}=3060 \text{ Pa}$	-	-



Night winter
conditions without
solar radiation



Total displacements



Maximum principal stress

The inner load produces tension on the inner surface of the glass panes and compression on the outer. It is expected that the situation will be changed with the climate conditions: the inner surface will be compressed in the hot seasons (summer).

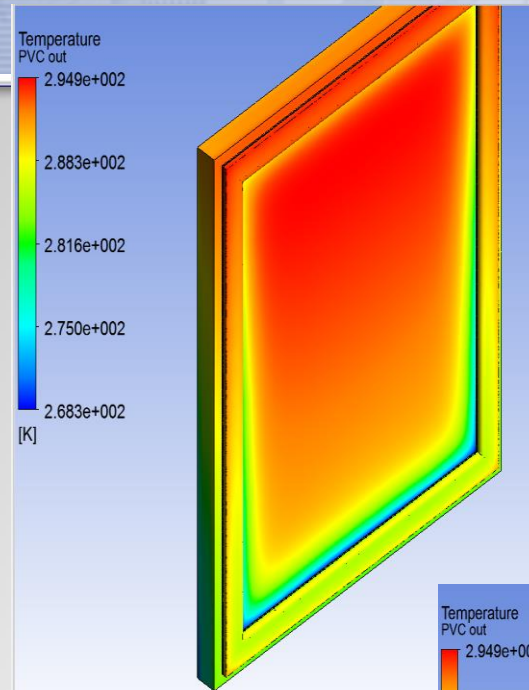


Thermal analysis at hot box conditions



Measurements of the temperatures and glass deflection in a hot box chamber

$$T_{out}[K] = 267[K] + 16.21[K/m] \cdot y$$
$$h_{se} = 25 \text{ Wm}^{-2}\text{K}^{-1} \text{ and } h_{si} = 3.6 \text{ Wm}^{-2}\text{K}^{-1}$$



Temperature fields at inner window surface

Temperature fields at outer window surface

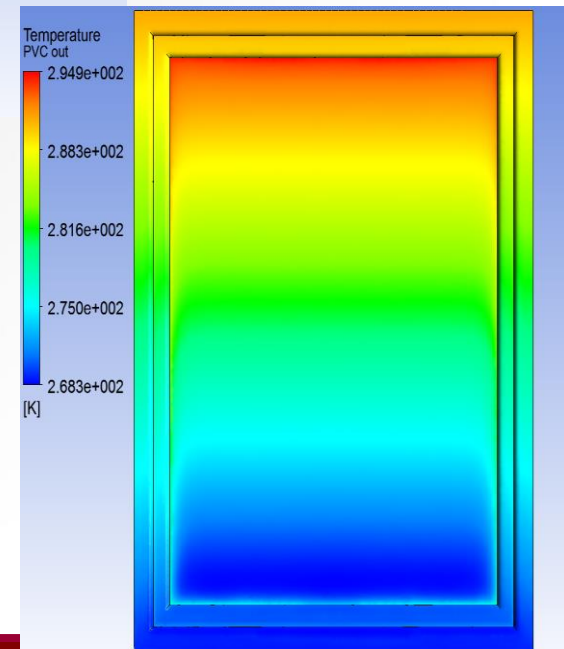
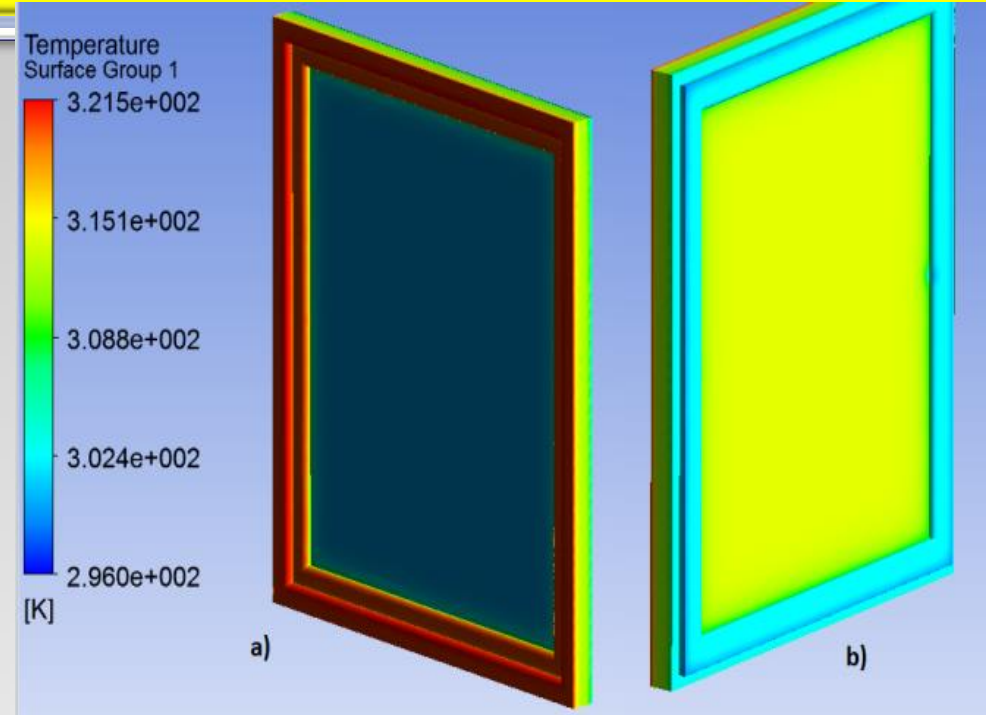


Table1: Conditions for numerical simulations

Numerical experiments	Boundary conditions (numerical expressions)
Summer conditions [12] July, daily-time: 9 a.m. $T_{in}=297\text{ K } (24^{\circ}\text{C})$ $T_{out}=297\text{ K } (24^{\circ}\text{C})$ $T_{sky}=283\text{ K } (10^{\circ}\text{C})$ $T_{r,m}=290\text{ K}$ $F_1=F_2=0.5$ $I_s=740\text{ Wm}^{-2}$ $h_{si}=7.7\text{ Wm}^{-2}\text{K}^{-1}$ $h_{se}=20\text{ Wm}^{-2}\text{K}^{-1}$	External frame surfaces $\dot{q}_{se}^f = 20 * (297 - T) + 5.67 * 10^{-8} * 0.95 * (290^4 - T^4) + 0.95 * 740$ External glass surfaces $\dot{q}_{se}^g = 20 * (297 - T) + 5.67 * 10^{-8} * 0.84 * (T_{r,m}^4 - T^4) + 0.12 * 740$ Internal surfaces $\dot{q}_{si} = 7.7(297 - T)$ Surface 3 at IGU (coated glass surface): $\dot{q}_3 = 0.22 * 740$
Winter conditions January, night- time $T_{in}=293\text{ K } (20^{\circ}\text{C})$ $T_{out}=257\text{ K } (-16^{\circ}\text{C})$ $T_{sky}=227\text{ K } (-46^{\circ}\text{C})$	External frame surfaces $\dot{q}_{se}^f = 20 * (257 - T) + 5.67 * 10^{-8} * 0.95 * (244^4 - T^4)$ External glass surfaces

Thermal analysis at winter and summer conditions

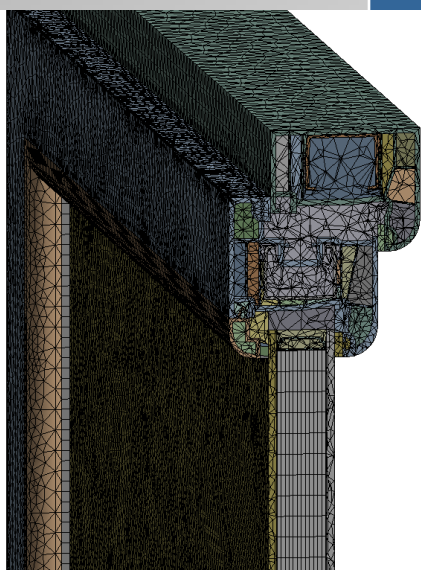
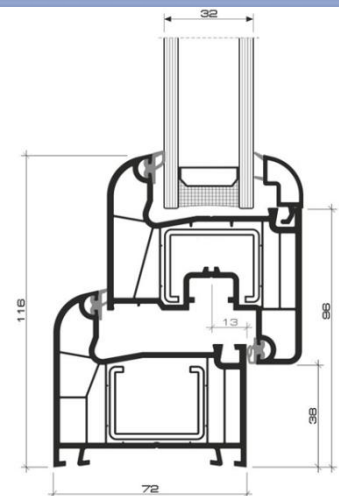


Summer conditions. Temperature fields at inner (a) and outer (b) window surfaces

$F_1=F_2=0.5$ $I_s=0\text{ Wm}^{-2}$ $h_{si}=7.7\text{ Wm}^{-2}\text{K}^{-1}$ $h_{se}=20\text{ Wm}^{-2}\text{K}^{-1}$	$\dot{q}_{se}^g = 20 * (257 - T) + 5.67 * 10^{-8} * 0.84 * (244^4 - T^4)$ Internal surfaces $\dot{q}_{si} = 7.7(293 - T)$ Surface 3 at IGU (coated glass surface): $\dot{q}_3 = 0$
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Influence of Coatings on the Thermal and Mechanical Processes in Insulating Glass Units



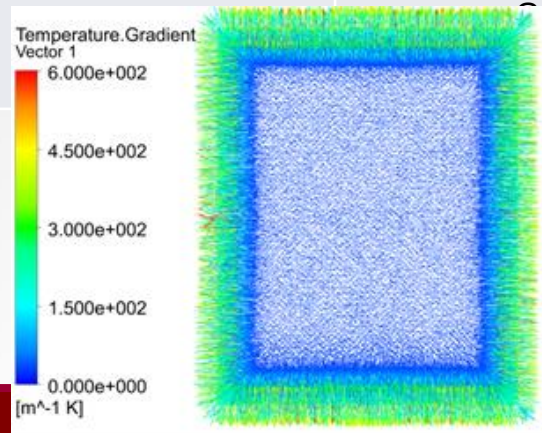
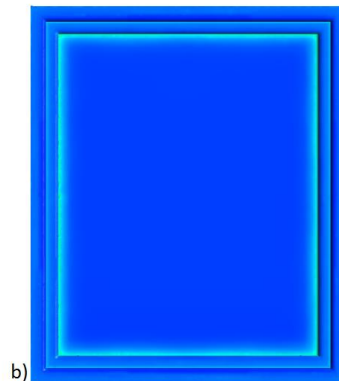
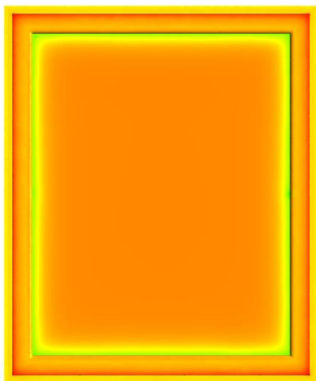
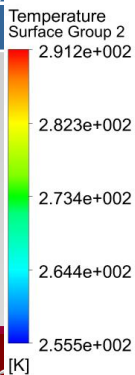
Thermal and solar characteristics	Variant 1. Panels 1 and 2 – uncoated *	Variant 2. Panel 1 - low emissivity coating on surface 2**; panel 2 – uncoated*	Variant 3 Panel 1 - solar control coating on surface 2***; panel 2 – uncoated*
ε_1^f	0.84	0,84	0.84
ε_1^b	0.84	0.16	0.17
A_1^f	0,12	0,22	0,47
A_1^b	0.12	0.22	0.45
R_1^f	0,07	0,11	0,08
R_1^b	0.07	0.11	0.12
T_1	0,81	0,67	0,45
ε_2^f	0.84	0.84	0.84
ε_2^b	0.84	0.82	0.84
A_2^f	0,12	0,12	0,12
A_2^b	0.12	0.12	0.12
R_2^f	0,07	0,07	0,07
R_2^b	0.07	0.07	0.07
T_2	0,81	0,81	0,81
$\hat{A}_1$	0.13	0.23	0,48
$\hat{A}_2$	0.08	0.08	0,05

*Pilkington Optifloat clear glass; ** Pilkington Energy Advantage™; *** Pilkington Solae-E™



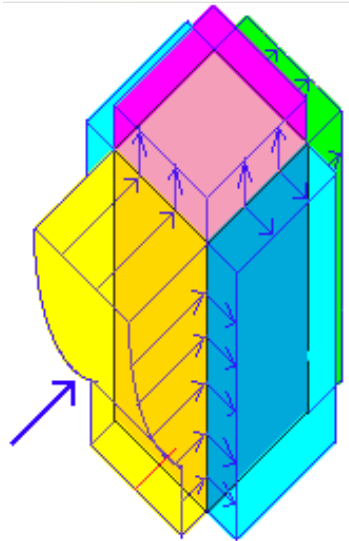
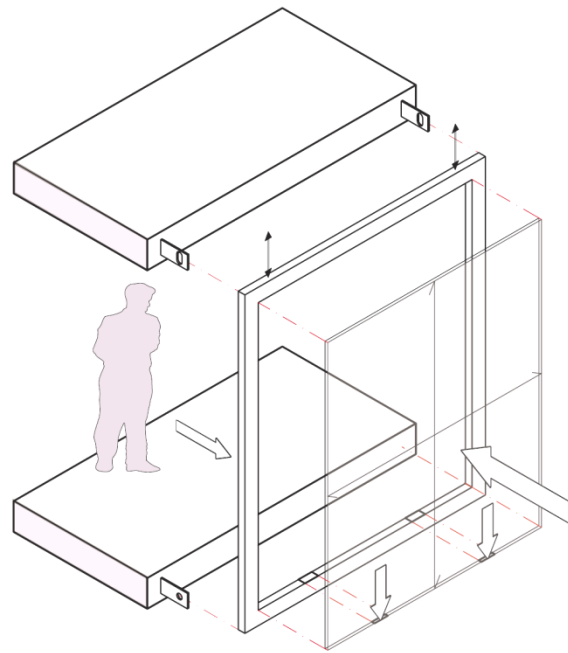
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Winter conditions January, night- time $T_{in}=293\text{ K } (20^{\circ}\text{C})$ $T_{out}=257\text{ K } (-16^{\circ}\text{C})$ $T_{sky}=227\text{ K } (-46^{\circ}\text{C})$ $T_{r,m}=244\text{ K}$ $F_1=F_2=0.5 ; I_s=0$ $h_{si}=7.7\text{ Wm}^{-2}\text{K}^{-1}$ $h_{se}=20\text{ Wm}^{-2}\text{K}^{-1}$	$T_{gas}=271\text{ K } (-2^{\circ}\text{C})$ $\Delta T=-22\text{ K}; \Delta p_{is}=-7.48\text{ kPa}$ <u>External glass pane</u> Average temperature $T_{av}=260\text{ K}$ Average temperature gradients Grad t=38 K/m	$T_{gas}=271\text{ K } (-2^{\circ}\text{C})$ $\Delta T=-22\text{ K}; \Delta p_{is}=-7.48\text{ kPa}$ <u>External (coated) glass pane</u> Average temperature $T_{av}=260\text{ K}$ Average temperature gradients Grad t=38 K/m	$T_{gas}=272\text{ K } (-1^{\circ}\text{C})$ $\Delta T=-21\text{ K}; \Delta p_{is}=-7.14\text{ kPa}$ <u>External (coated) glass pane</u> Average temperature $T_{av}=258\text{ K}$ Average temperature gradients Grad t=74 K/m

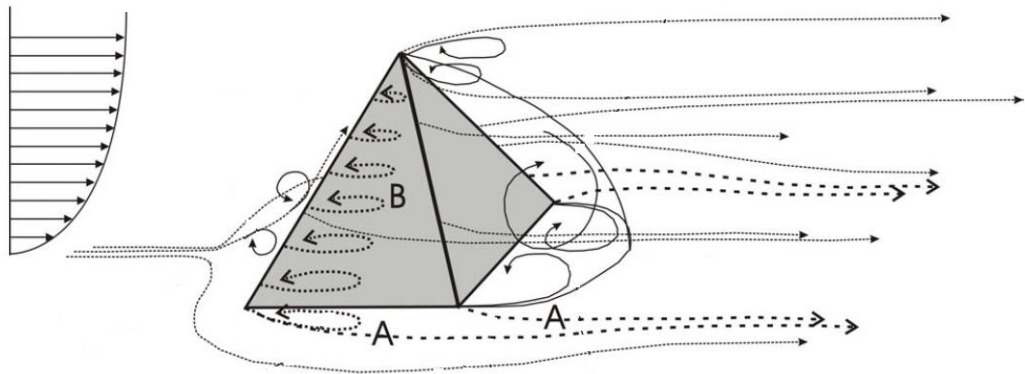


The TU-Rousse: Strength and deformation analysis of glass structures

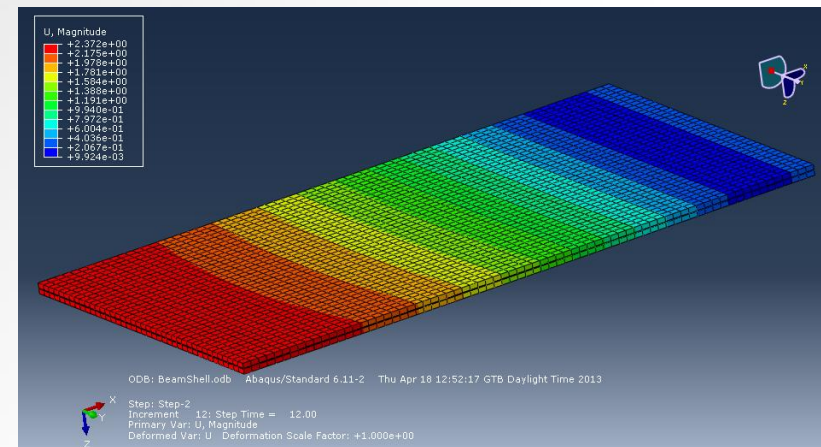




- Own weight
- Wind (in both directions)
- Snow
- Loading from people
- Climate loads - change of temperature and humidity
- Seismic

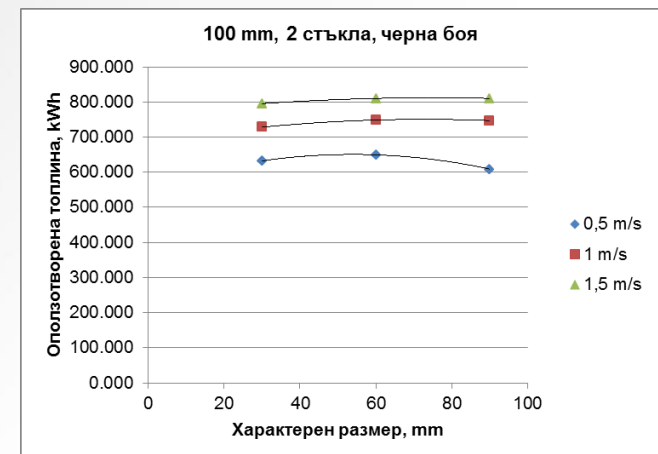
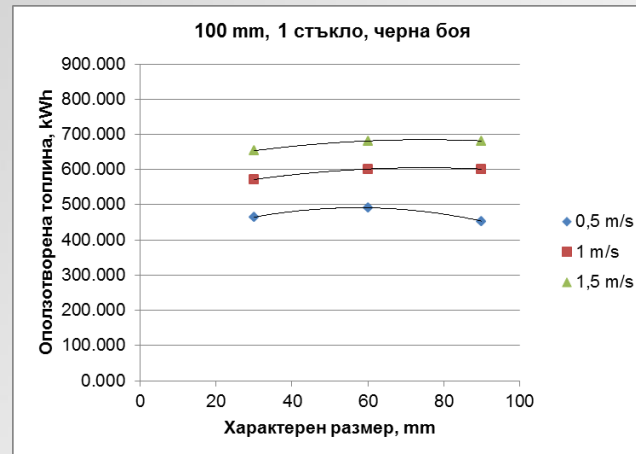
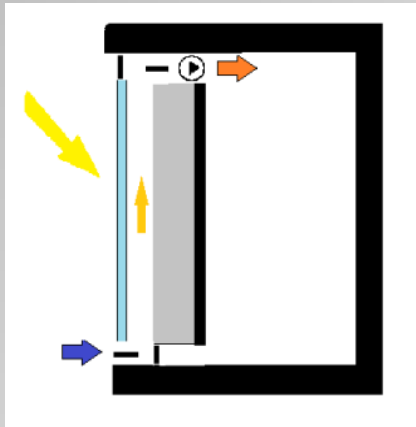
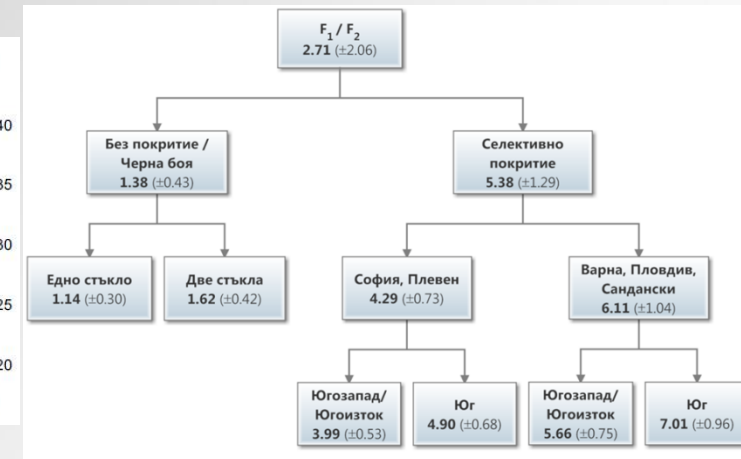
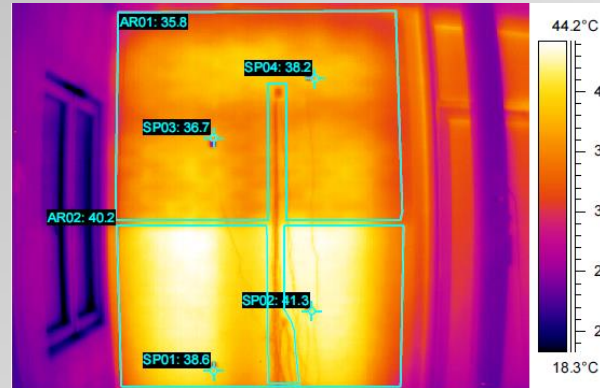


Loads with complex distributions!



Finite element method analysis

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The expected results of integrating the knowledge, experience and resources can be summarized as follows:

- A new high-tech material base has been created;
- The competence of the research teams is enhanced and synergies are observed;
- Enhanced capabilities of small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) for access to high technology in engineering, as well as a more active exchange of knowledge and experience between SMEs and research teams;
- Transfer of knowledge to the industrial enterprises and opportunities for realization of the strategy for reverse transfer of resources to the research laboratories of the universities-partners;
- Enhanced competence of students and PhD students involved in project's activities with a long-term effect on the industry, where they will realize their knowledge and skills.



THANK YOU!