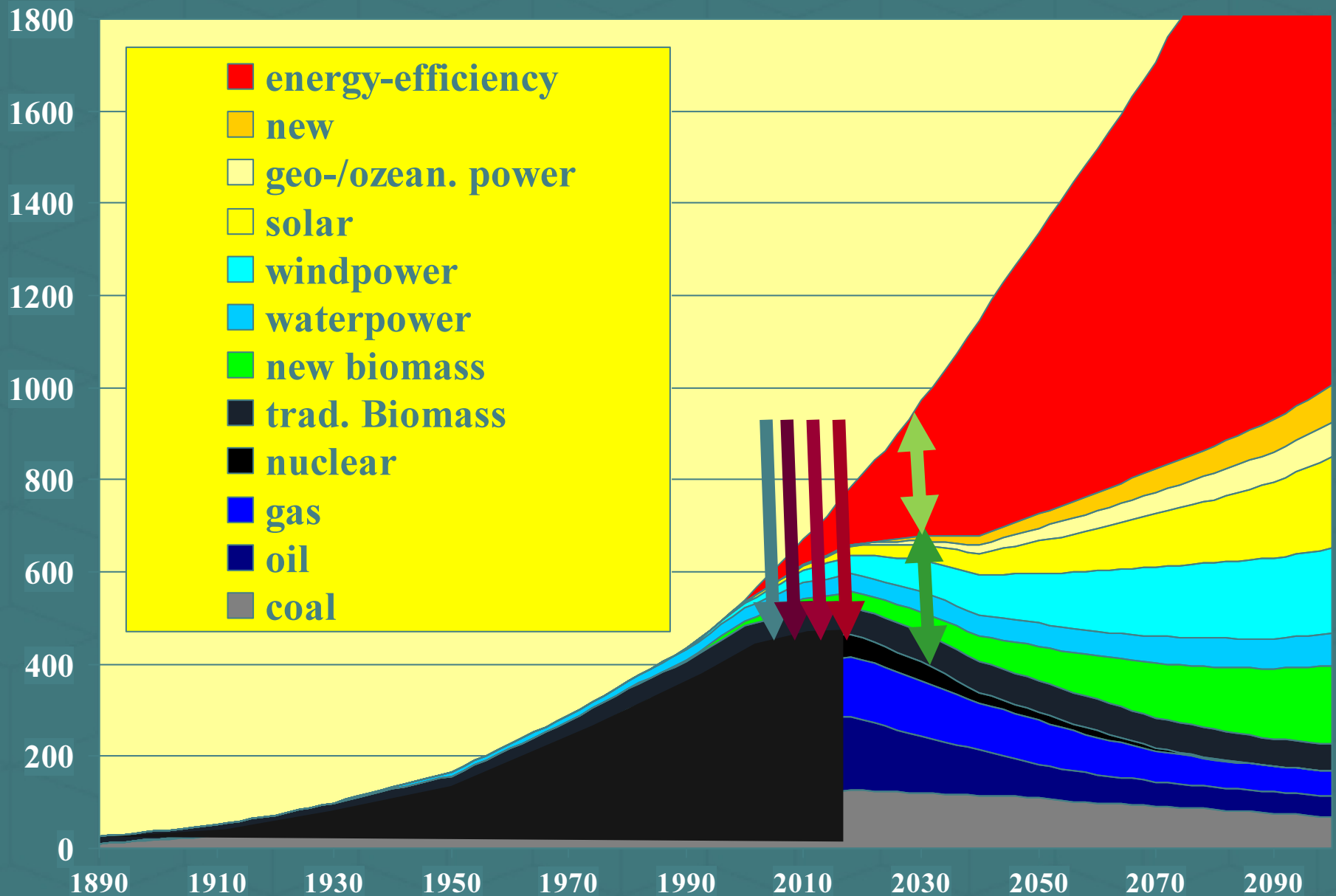


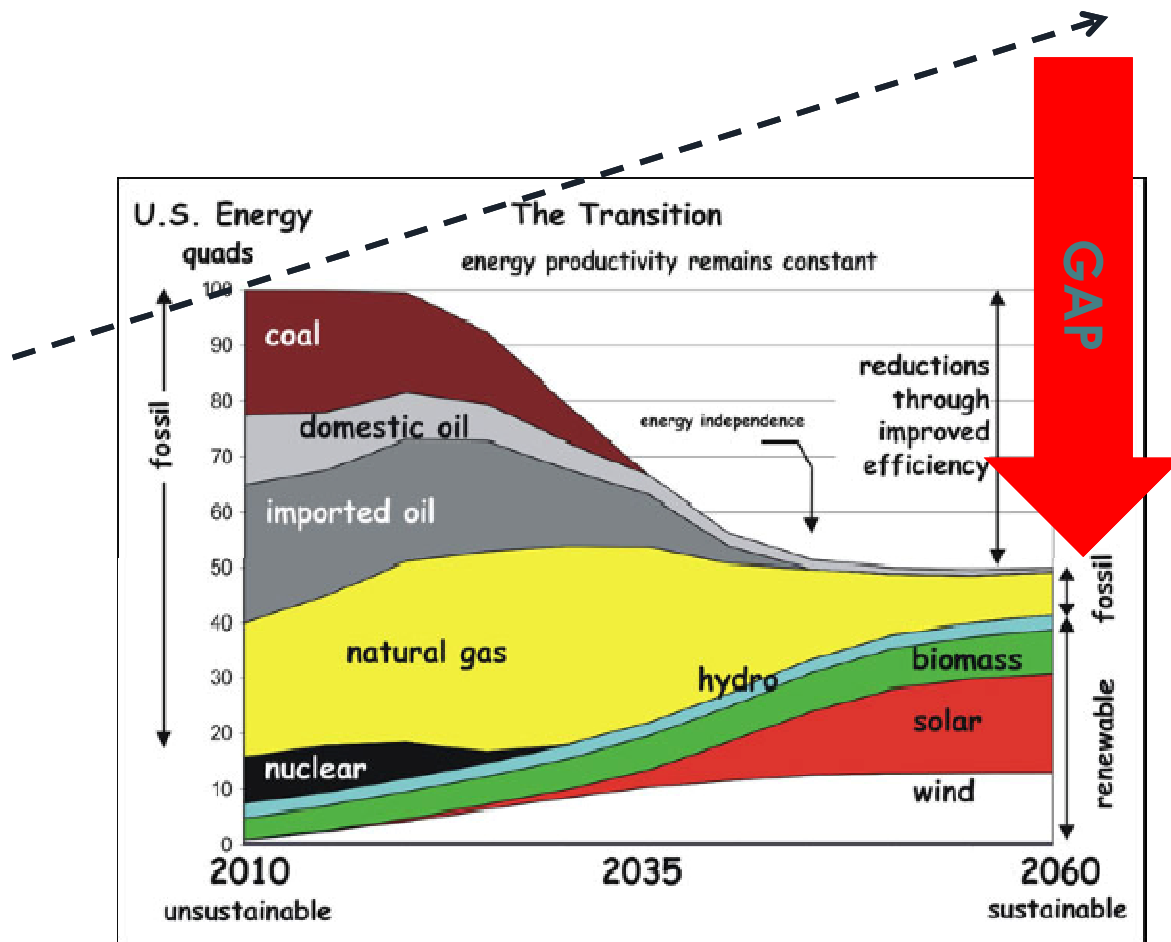
# CLIMATE SPECIFIC PASSIVE BUILDING STANDARDS, TOOLS, COMPONENTS

# FUTURE WORLDWIDE TRANSITION

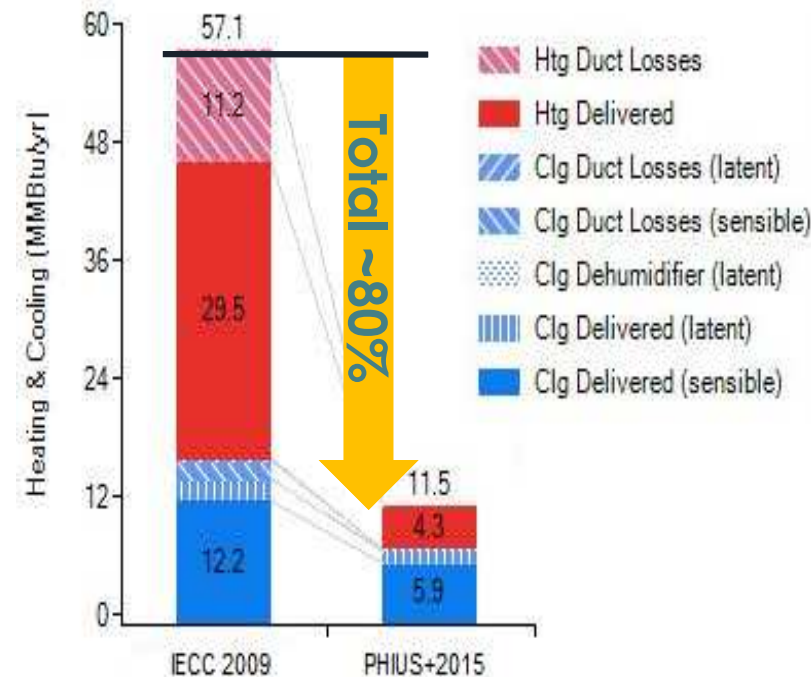


Reference: Shell-Study (till 2005), Scenario with high efficiency and regenerative usage of energy

# PASSIVE BUILDING IS **EFFECTIVE** IN REDUCING ENERGY: ~ FACTOR 8-10



Heating energy reduction in passive buildings:  
~**80-90%**



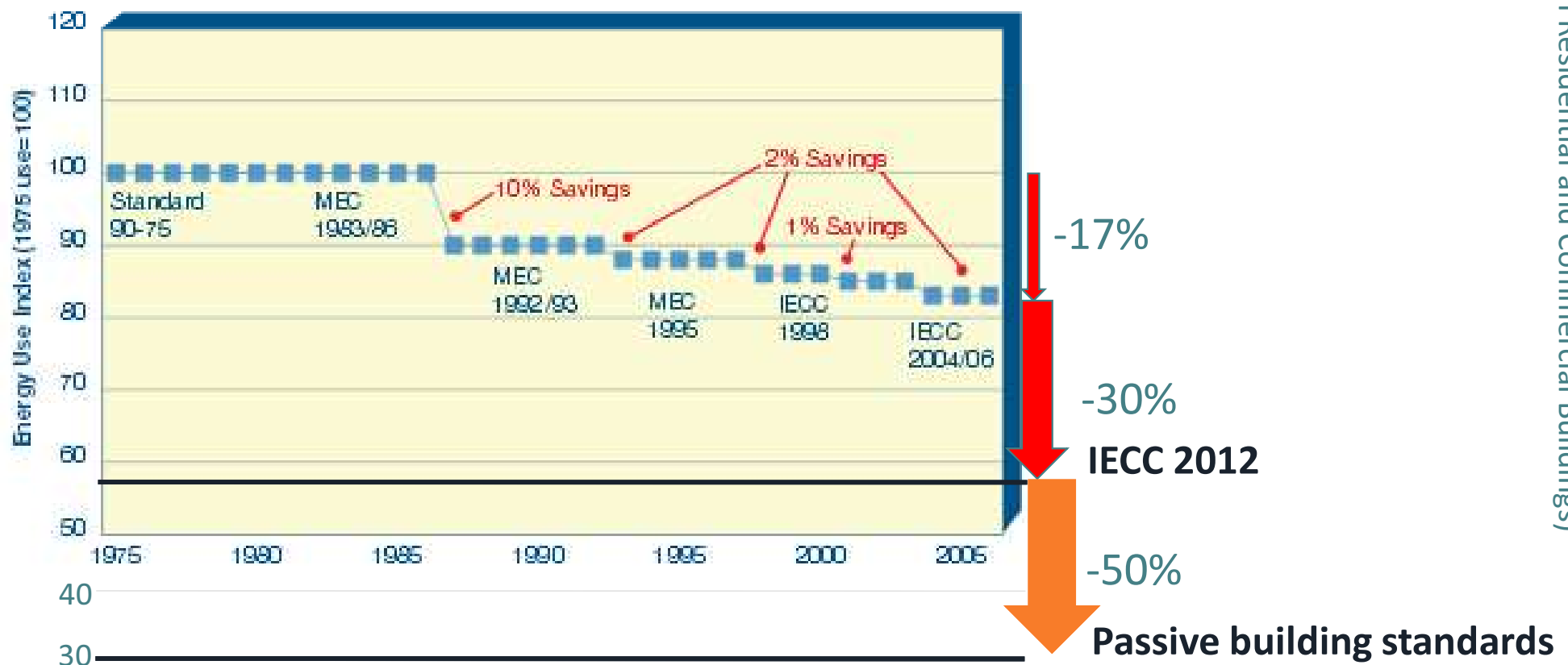
Graphic from Article: J. Douglas Balcomb, Ph.D., "The Energy Road Ahead", Solar Today Magazine, Apr 2010

# WHERE TODAY'S US ENERGY CODES ARE - DEVELOPMENT SINCE THE **ENERGY** **CRISIS**

Figure 20

Residential Energy Code Stringency (Measured on a Code-to-Code Basis)

End-uses addressed by the IECC: heating, cooling, domestic hot water



(Source : U.S. Department of Energy: Energy Efficiency Trends in Residential and Commercial Buildings)

# HISTORY PASSIVE BUILDING METRICS

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FIRST GENERATION PIONEERS

PASSIVHAUS

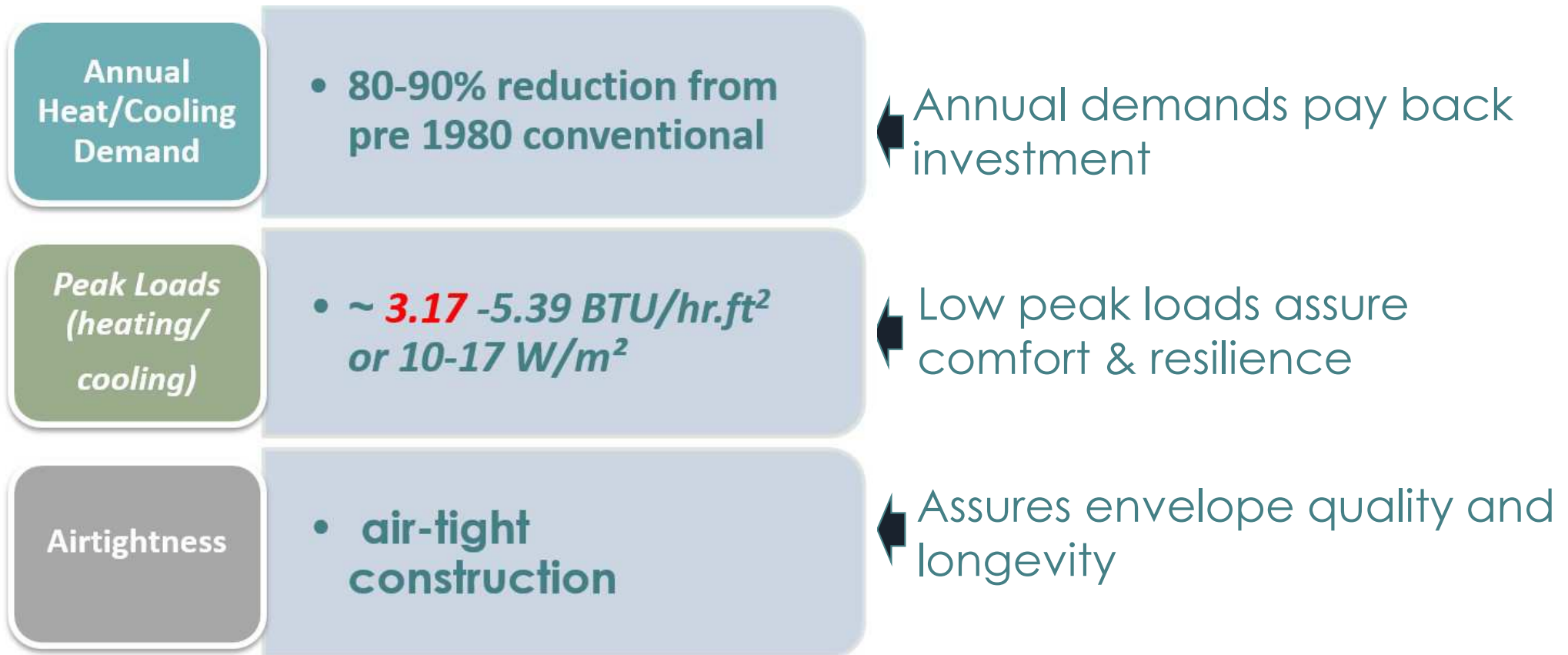
PASSIVE HOUSE & BUILDINGS  
NORTH AMERICA

THE BASIC CONCEPT IS DEVELOPPED

# PEAK LOAD TENET

80-90% PEAK REDUCTION – ALL CLIMATES

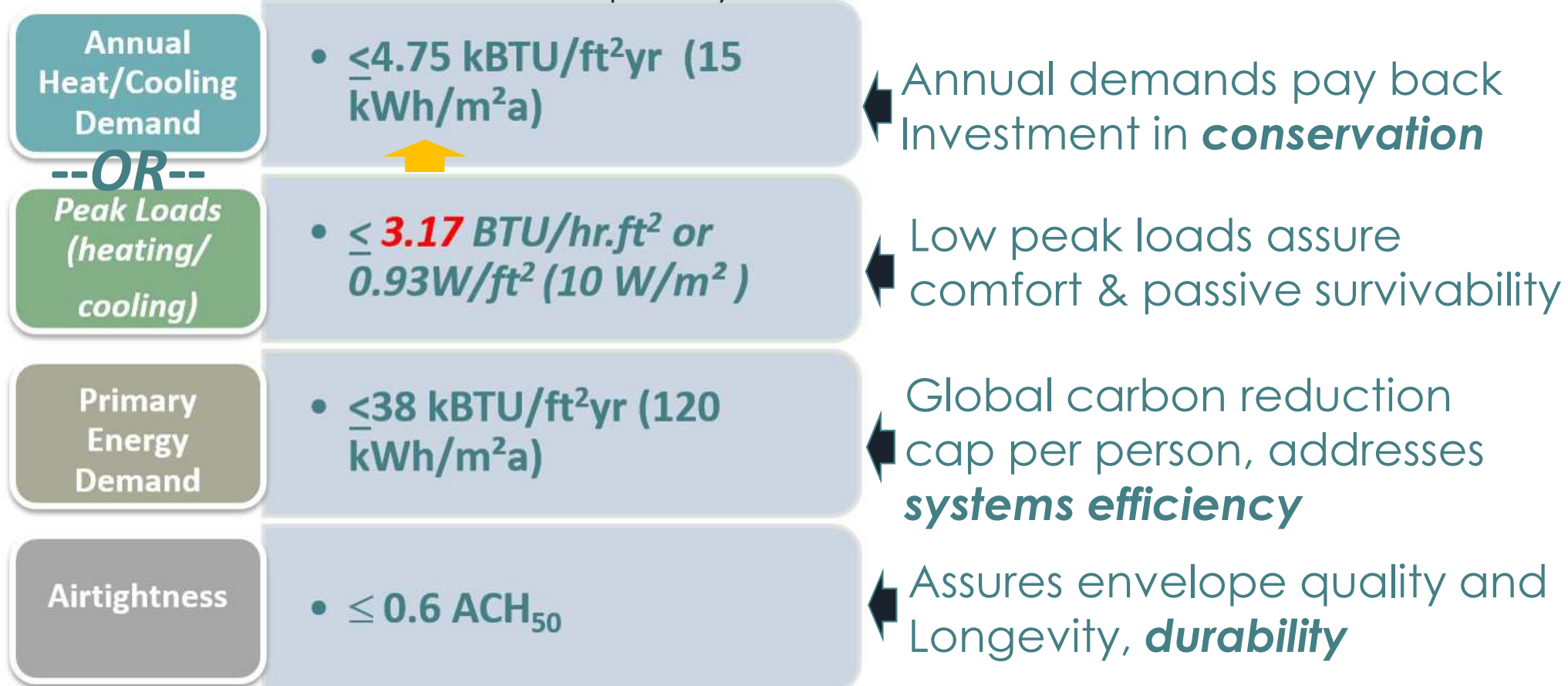
Developed by North American Scientists



# THE CONCEPT CONTINUES TO DEVELOP A PERFORMANCE METRIC

## 3 PASS/FAIL CRITERIA - MODERATELY COLD

Developed by Passivhaus Institut



# PASSIVHAUS CRITERIA

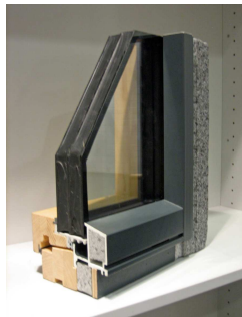
Primary Energy	kBTU/ft <sup>2</sup> /yr	38
Airtightness	ACH <sub>50</sub>	0.6
Annual Heat Demand Annual Cooling Demand	kBTU/ft <sup>2</sup> /yr	4.75
Peak Heat Load	BTU/ft <sup>2</sup> .hr	3.14
Peak Cooling Load		2.54
Ventilation	% efficiency	75%
	W/cfm	≤ 0.76
Thermal Envelope	hr. ft <sup>2</sup> °F/BTU	≥ R-38.5
	BTU/hr. ft <sup>2</sup> °F	≤ U-0.026
Thermal Bridge Free	BTU/ hr. ft °F	Ψ ≤ 0.006
Windows Installed	BTU/hr. ft <sup>2</sup> °F	Uw-install ≤ 0.15
SHGC	%	≈ 0.50 - 0.55



# REFINING THE METHODOLOGY

## Performance Components/Systems/Tools

Developed by European Industry

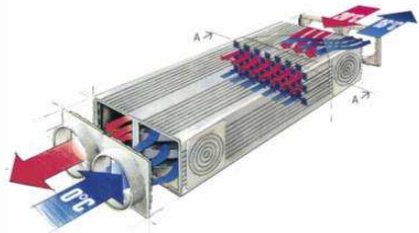


← High performance windows

Smart Vapor Retarders →



← Highly efficient heat exchange cores for ventilators



Static Design & Verification Tool →

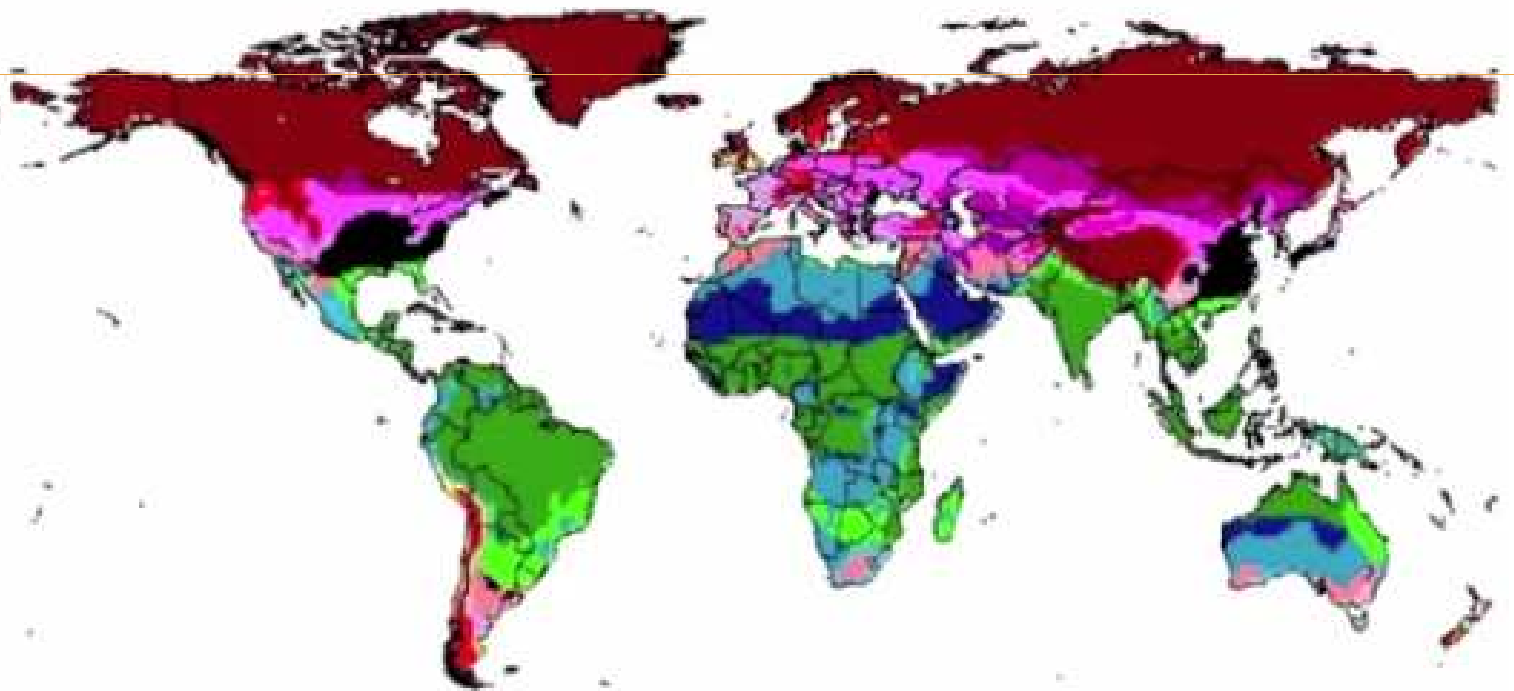
**PHPP**

← Integrated compact ventilation & space conditioning systems



# NEW CHALLENGES: CLIMATE SPECIFIC DESIGN

- 1. Only Heating (very HHD)
- 2. Only Heating (HHD)
- 3. Only Heating (MHD+LHD)
- 4. Heating and Cooling (very HHD+LCD)
- 5. Heating and Cooling (HHD+MCD)
- 6. Heating and Cooling (HHD+LCD)
- 7. Heating and Cooling (MHD+MCD)
- 8. Heating and Cooling (MHD+LCD)
- 9. Heating and Cooling (LHD+MCD)
- 10. Heating and Cooling (LHD+LCD)
- 11. Only Cooling (very HCD)
- 12. Only Cooling (HCD)
- 13. Only Cooling (LCD+MCD)
- 14. Cooling and Dehum (very HCD)
- 15. Cooling and Dehum (HCD)
- 16. Cooling and Dehum (LCD+MCD)
- 17. Heating, Cooling, Dehum

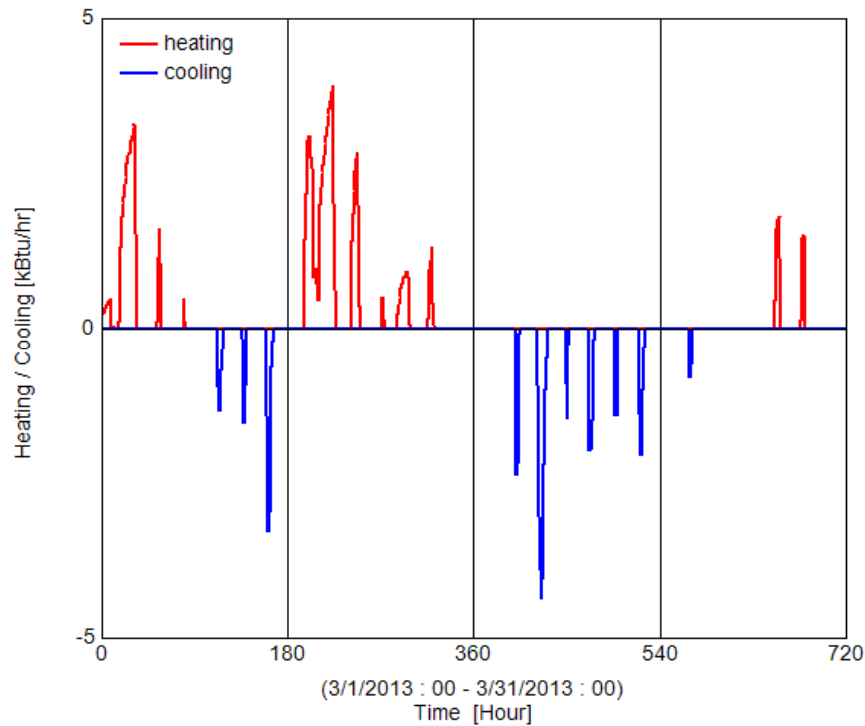


Graph Courtesy of Global Buildings Performance Network

# ONE SIZE DOES NOT FIT ALL

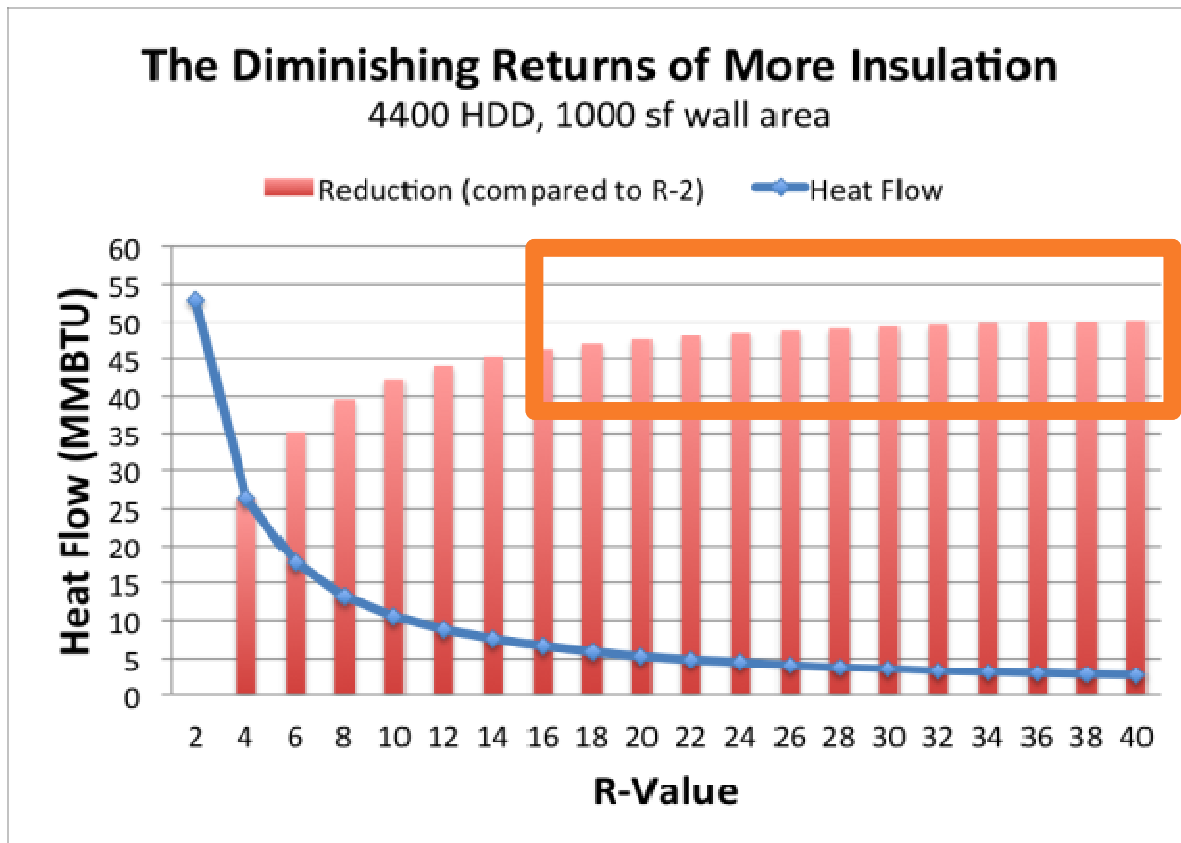


# THERMAL COMFORT ISSUES



## TOO MUCH FOCUS ON SOLAR

# COST FOR TOO MUCH INSULATION PUSHES DESIGNS BACK INTO **DIMINISHING RETURNS**



(Source: [www.energyvanguard.com](http://www.energyvanguard.com))

LAST INCH OF  
INSULATION IN PASSIVE  
HOUSE PROJECT IN  
SOUTH DAKOTA SAVED  
200 kWh ANNUALLY!

**HOW FLAT IS TOO  
FLAT?**

# RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN **DEGREE DAYS** AND PEAKS CHANGES BY **CLIMATE**

**Table 2: Design temperatures and degree days, North America, Coastal, East**

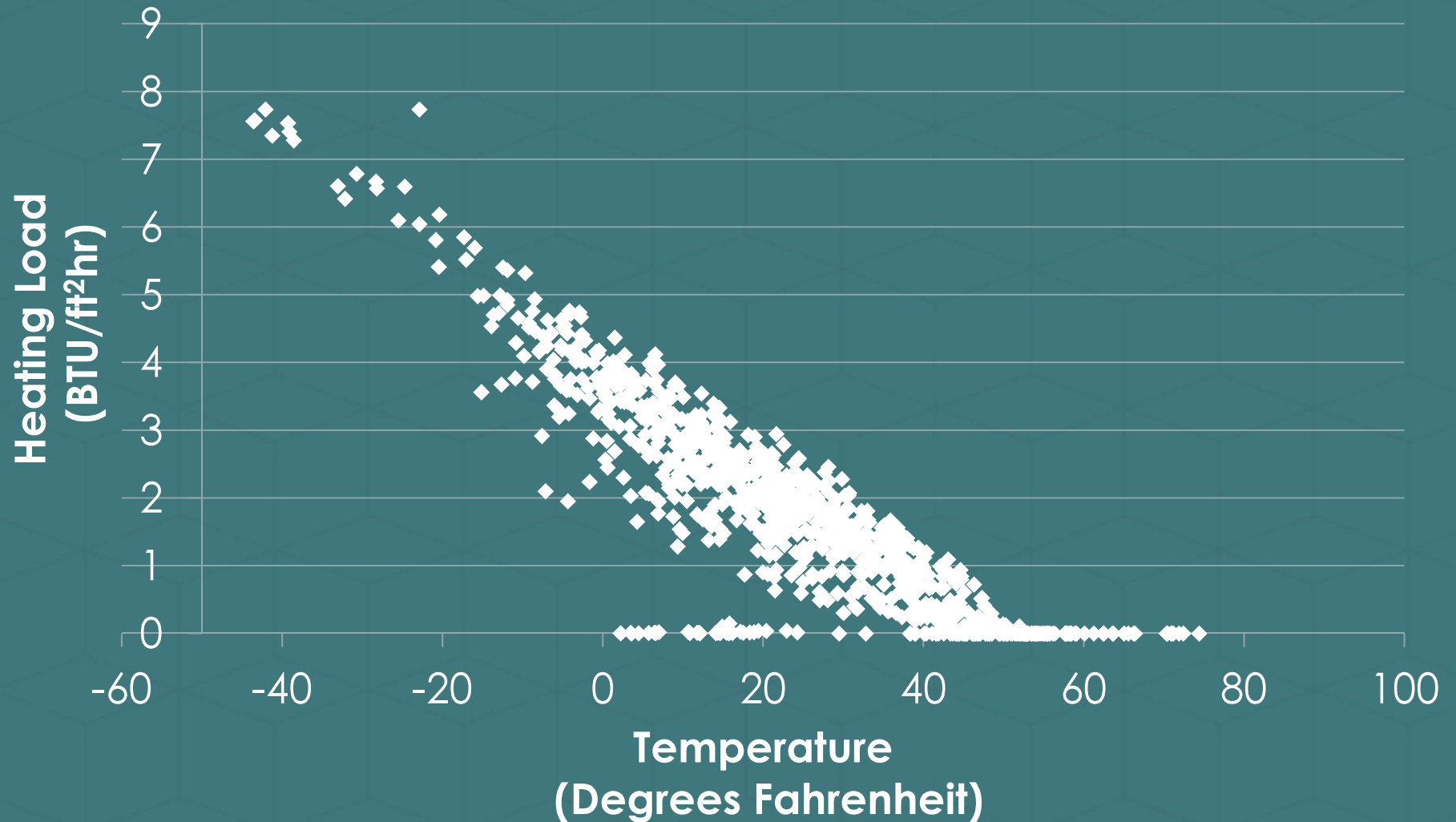
Cities	ASHRAE 99.6% design temp (°F)	ASHRAE 99% design temp (°F)	HDD65	CDD65
Frankfurt (5)	14.5	19.1	5570	308
Boston, MA (5A)	8.0	13.0	5596	750
Baltimore, MD (4A)	14.0	17.9	4552	1261
New York, NY (4A)	13.8	17.8	4843	984

**Table 3: North America, Pacific Northwest**

Cities	ASHRAE 99.6% design temp (°F)	ASHRAE 99% design temp (°F)	HDD65	CDD65
Frankfurt (5)	14.5	19.1	5570	308
Squamish, BC (5)	18.3	22.4	5987	115
Portland, OR (4C)	25.2	29.5	4214	433
Prince Rupert, BC (6)	13.3	18.4	6993	1

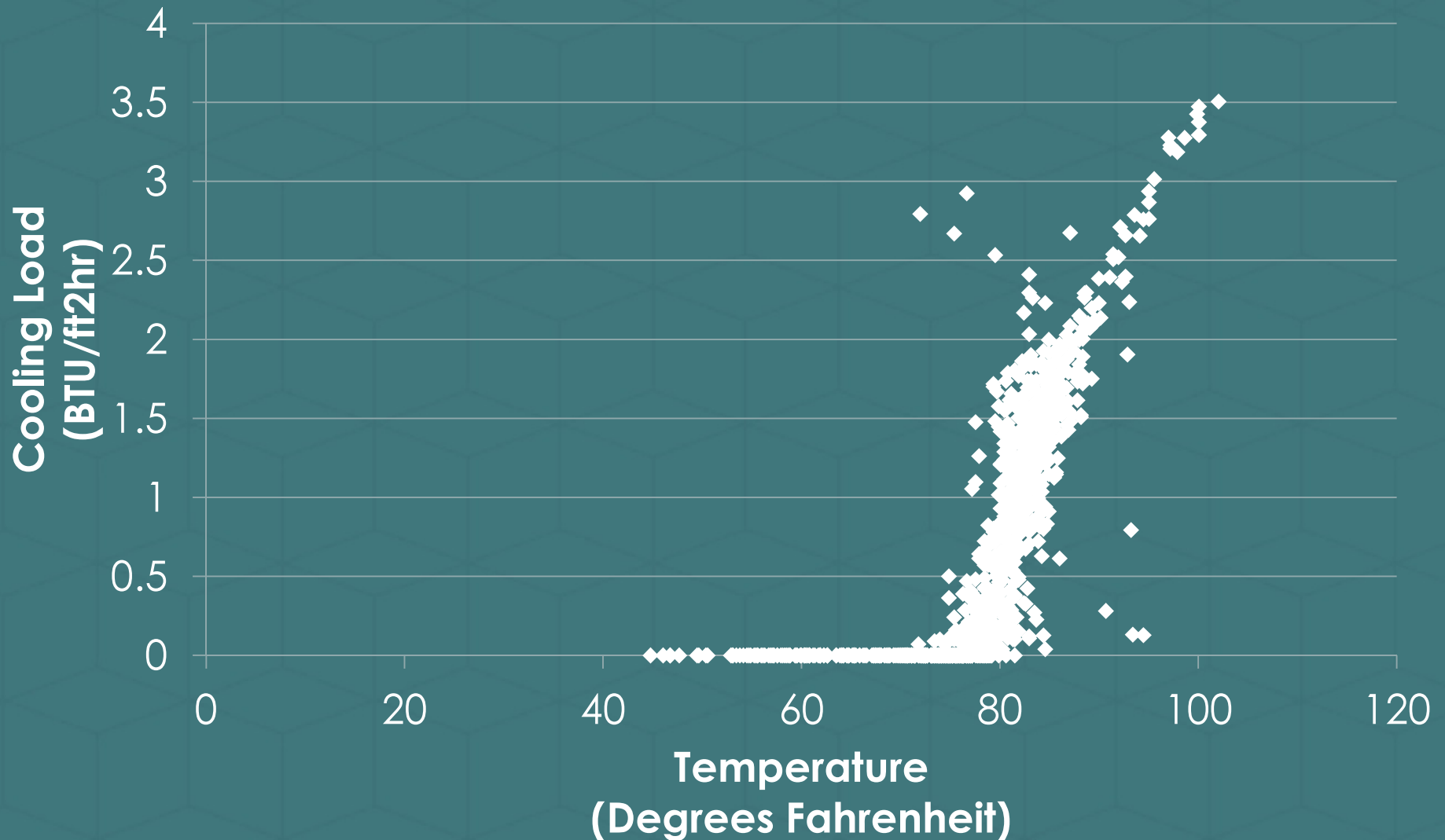
# Peak Heat Load – United States

## Heating Load and Temperature



# Peak Cooling Load – United States (SENSIBLE ONLY)

## Cooling Load and Temperature





# INTERNAL GAINS AND CLIMATE

## HAVE AN INFLUENCE ON WHERE CRITERIA

### NEED TO BE SET



Rue-Evans House, Salem, OR

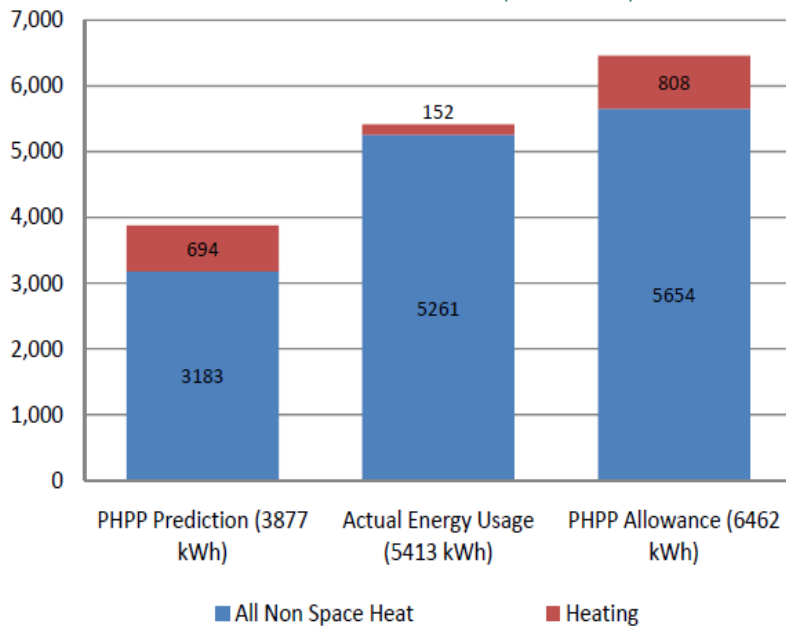


Figure 8: Modeled Energy Use Comparison

	Lighting kWh/person. yr	MELs kWh/person. yr
RESNET	~230	~610
Bldg. America	~320	~800-850
PHPP	31.9	94

**BWAAAAAAAAAAAAHHH**



Building:  
 2000 sf gross finished floor area  
 Occupancy 4 persons  
 100% CFL  
 400 sf garage



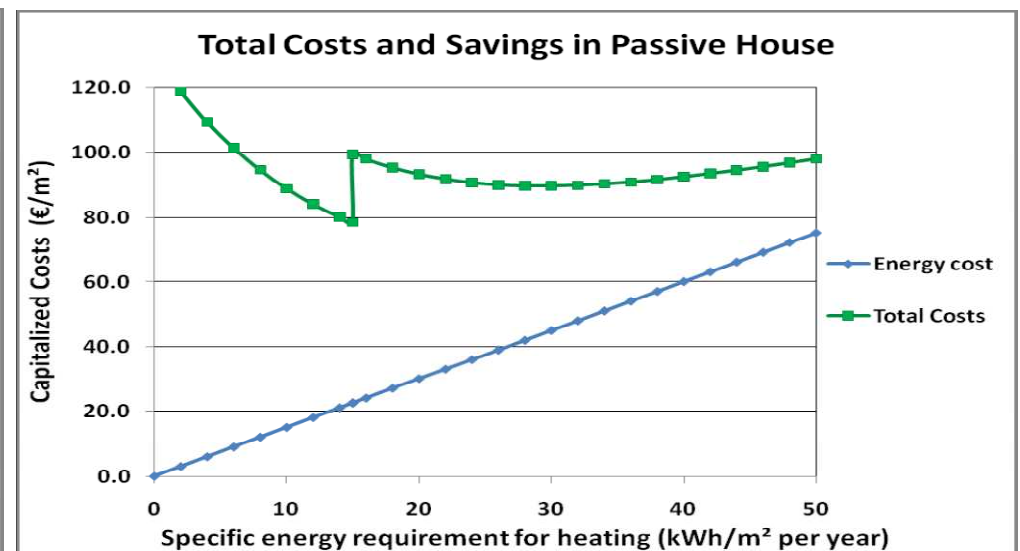
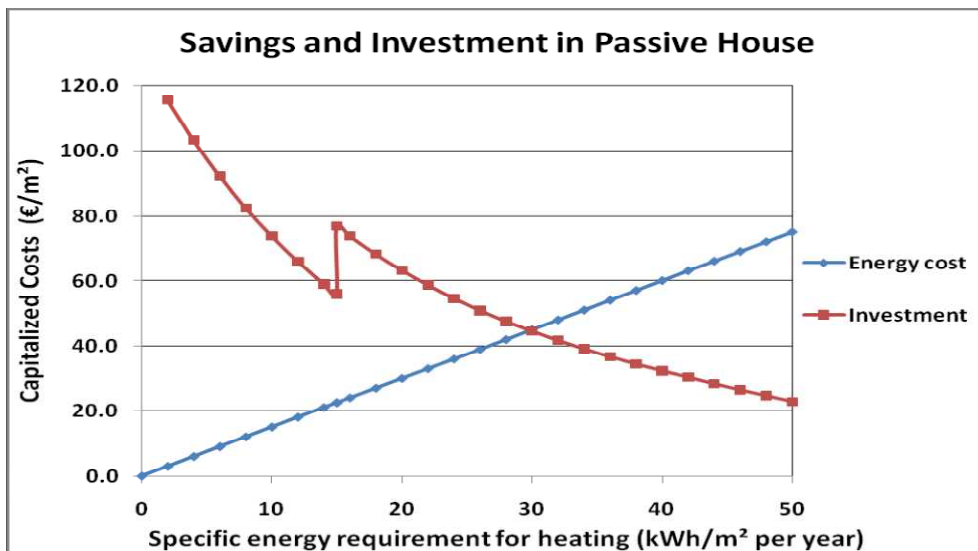
# STUDY CONCLUSIONS:

Therefore, taking North American construction cost, energy cost parameters, the cost of PV as well as different levels of investment required by climate into account will result in cost competitive climate specific space conditioning criteria ***other than 10 W/m<sup>2</sup> or 15 kWh/m<sup>2</sup>·yr (3.17 BTU/ft<sup>2</sup> hr or 4.75 kBTU/ft<sup>2</sup>·yr).***

One cannot optimize for PEAK LOAD and COST at the same time everywhere!!!!

# INVESTMENT IN DURABLE ENCLOSURE IS OFFSET BY DOWNSIZED MECHANICALS AND SAVINGS

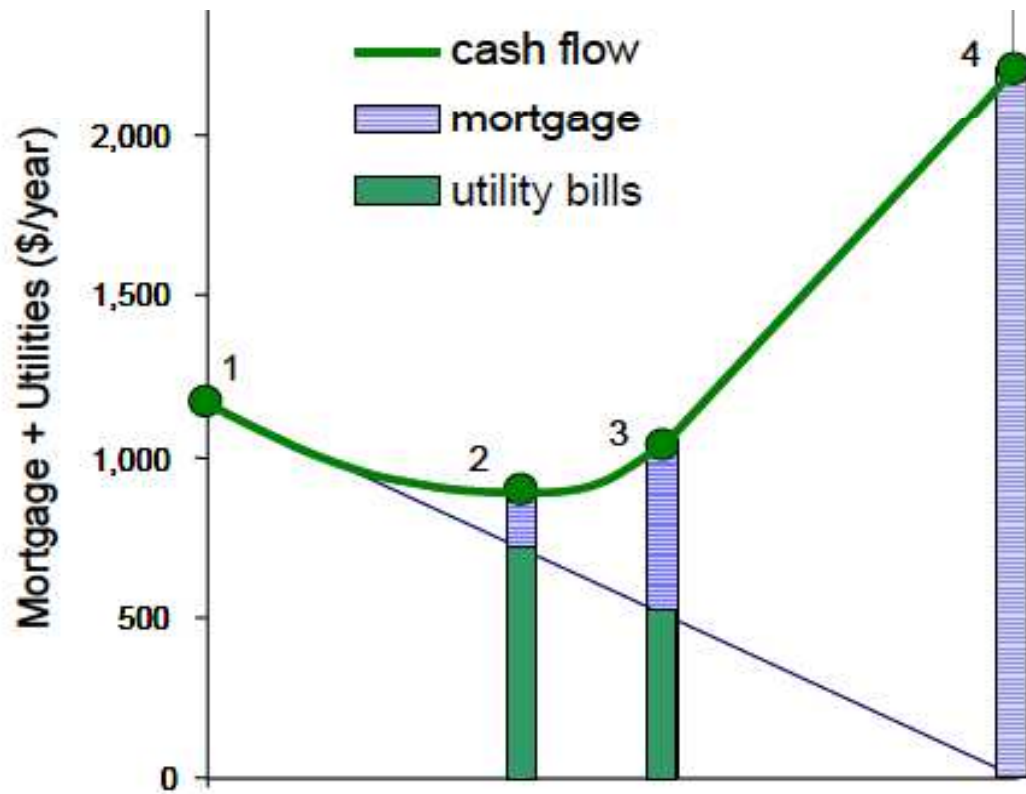
## Cost assumptions for Central Europe



(Source: IEA Information Paper: Energy Efficiency requirements in Building Codes, Author Jens Laustsen)

# DIFFERENT US COST STRUCTURE IMPLIES DIFFERENT ECONOMIC OPTIMUM

Cost assumptions for US

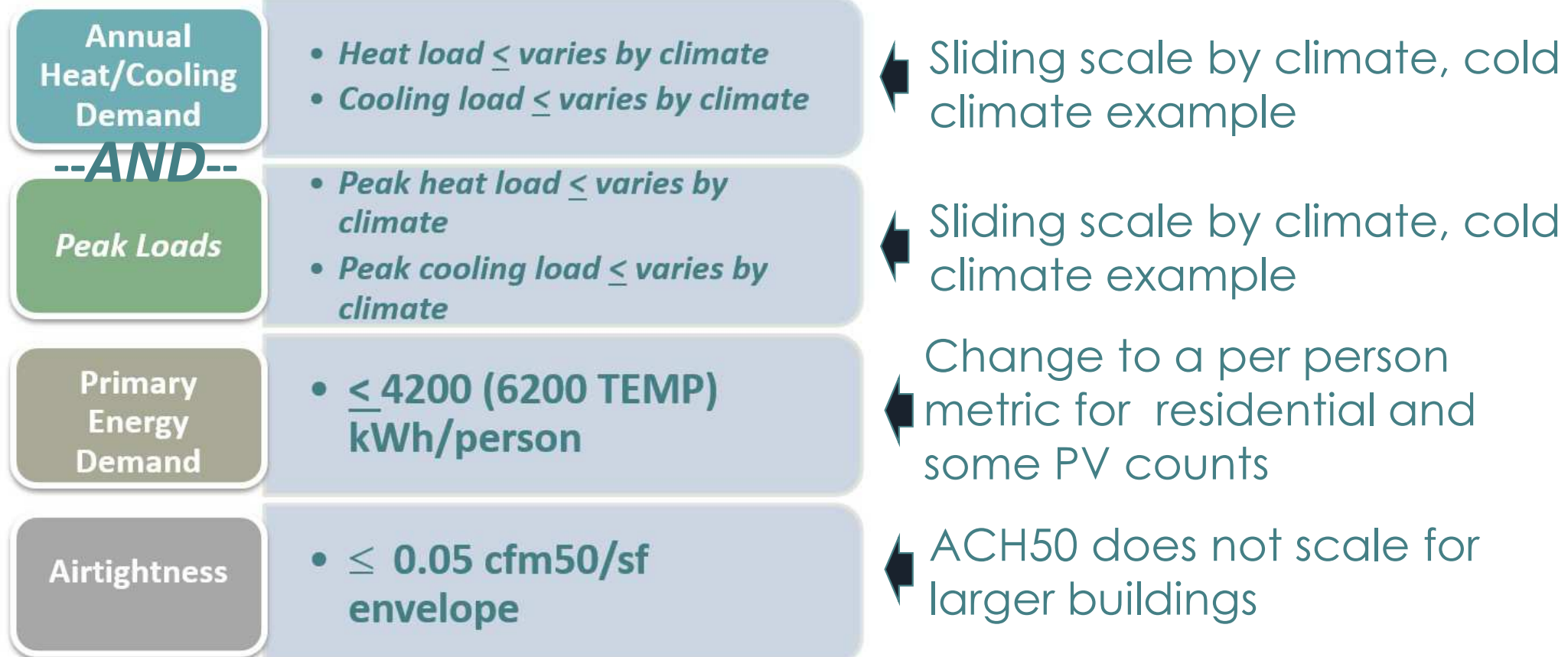


(Source: NREL/DOE)

# THE CONCEPT CONTINUES TO DEVELOP CLIMATE SPECIFIC METRICS

## 4 PASS/FAIL CRITERIA – 3 HURDLES TO ZERO

Developed by PHIUS/BSC

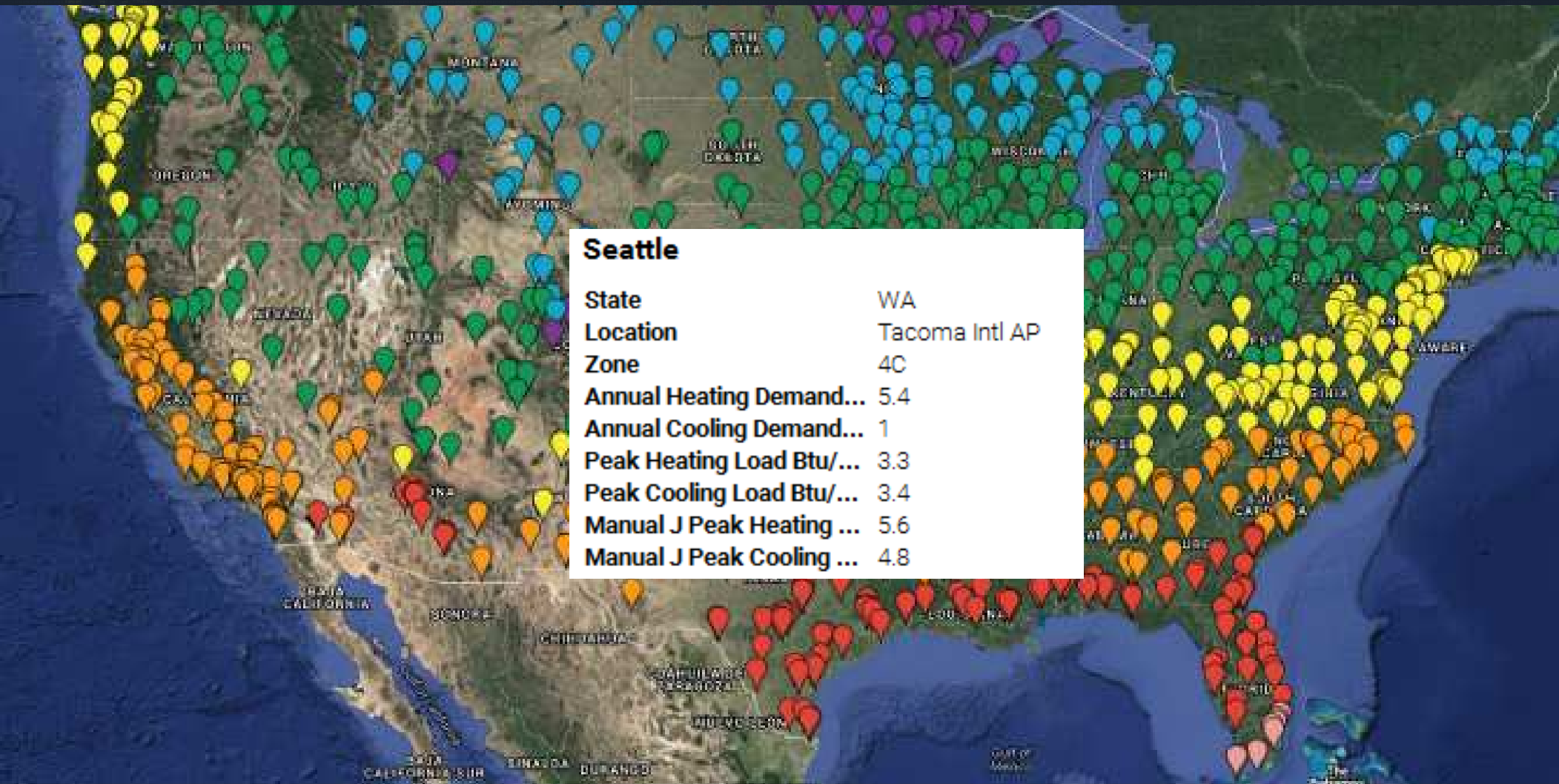


# PHIUS+ 2015 PASSIVE BUILDING CRITERIA

Primary Energy	kBTU/ft <sup>2</sup> /yr	(Bedrooms+1 * (6000 kWh *3.412 kBTU/kWh))/iCFA
Airtightness	cfm/ft <sup>2</sup>	0.05 cfm/gross ft <sup>2</sup> shell @ 50 pa
		0.08 cfm/gross ft <sup>2</sup> shell @ 75 pa
Annual Heat Demand	kBTU/ft <sup>2</sup> /yr	1.0 - 12.0
Annual Cooling Demand		1.0 - 21.4
Peak Heat Load	BTU/ft <sup>2</sup> .hr	0.8 - 5.4
Peak Cooling Load		1.8 - 8.9
Ventilation	% efficiency	53% - 95%
	W/cfm	0.27 - 2.23
Thermal Envelope	hr. ft <sup>2</sup> °F/BTU	≈ R-25 - R-80
	BTU/hr. ft <sup>2</sup> °F	≈ U-0.04 - U-0.0125
Thermal Bridge Free	BTU/ hr. ft °F	ψ ≤ 0.006
Windows Installed	BTU/hr. ft <sup>2</sup> °F	Uw-install 0.41 - 0.08
SHGC	%	≈ 0.27 - 0.61

# CLIMATE SPECIFIC METRICS

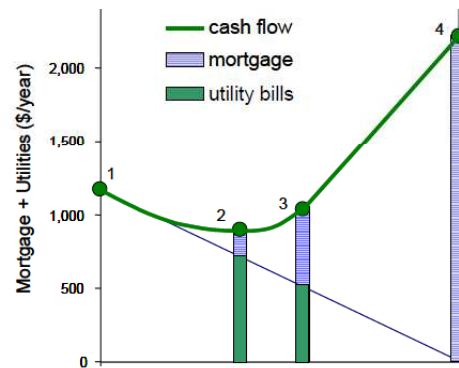
## PASSIVE STANDARDS IN VARYING CLIMATES



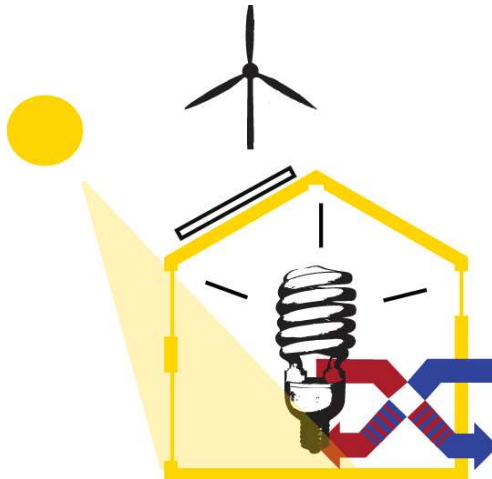
# REFINING THE METHODOLOGY

## Climate Specific & Cost Optimal Standards

Developed by US Industry



NREL BEopt optimizes upgrade package by climate



Standards defined as cost optimal/competitive sweetspot between conservation and generation ***on the path to zero***

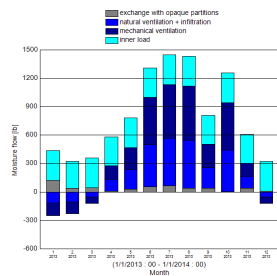


# REFINING THE METHODOLOGY

## Climate Specific Components/Tools

Developed by European & US Industry

The screenshot shows the PHUS software interface with various data tables. The main table displays 'Window specific recommendations' with columns for 'Window type', 'U-value', 'g-value', 'Solar factor', and 'Energy use'. Below this, there are sections for 'VGA Outdoor' and 'VGA Indoor' with sub-tables for 'Energy use' and 'Airflow'.

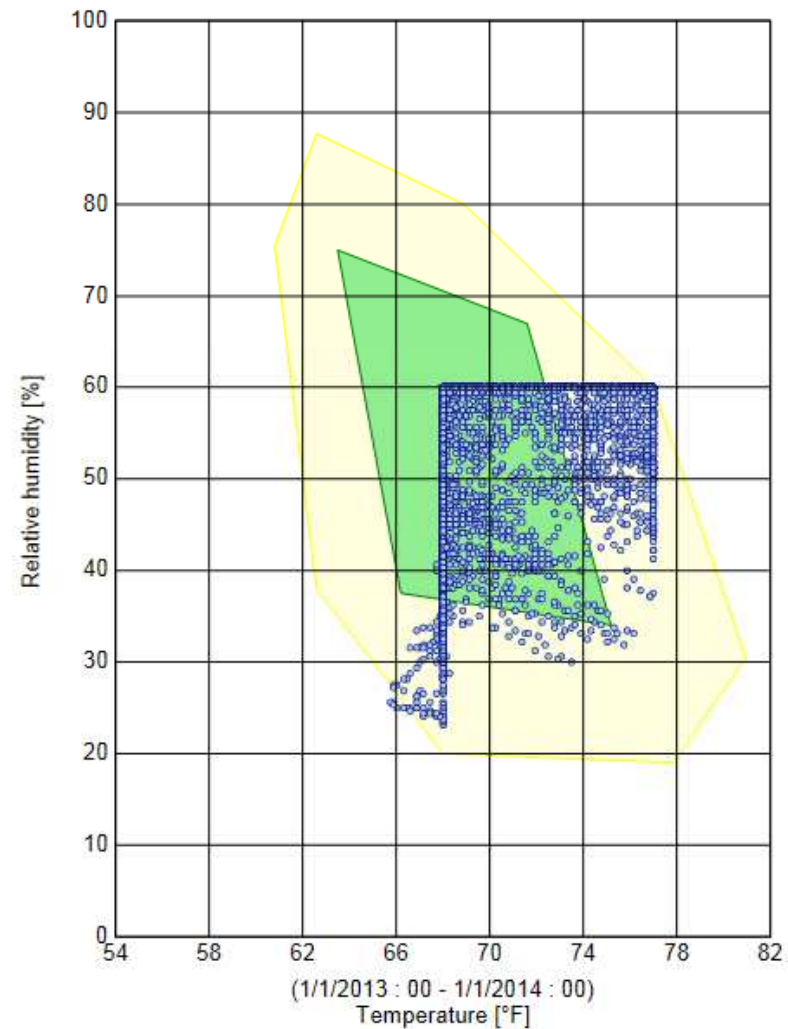
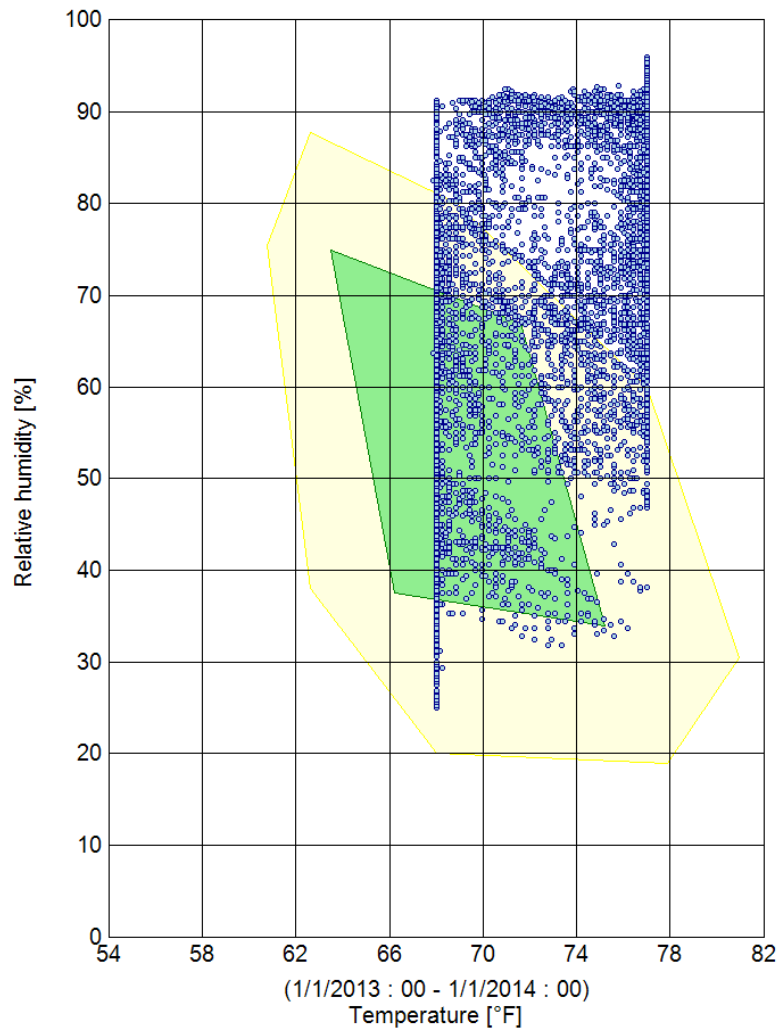


High performance window performance rating by climate

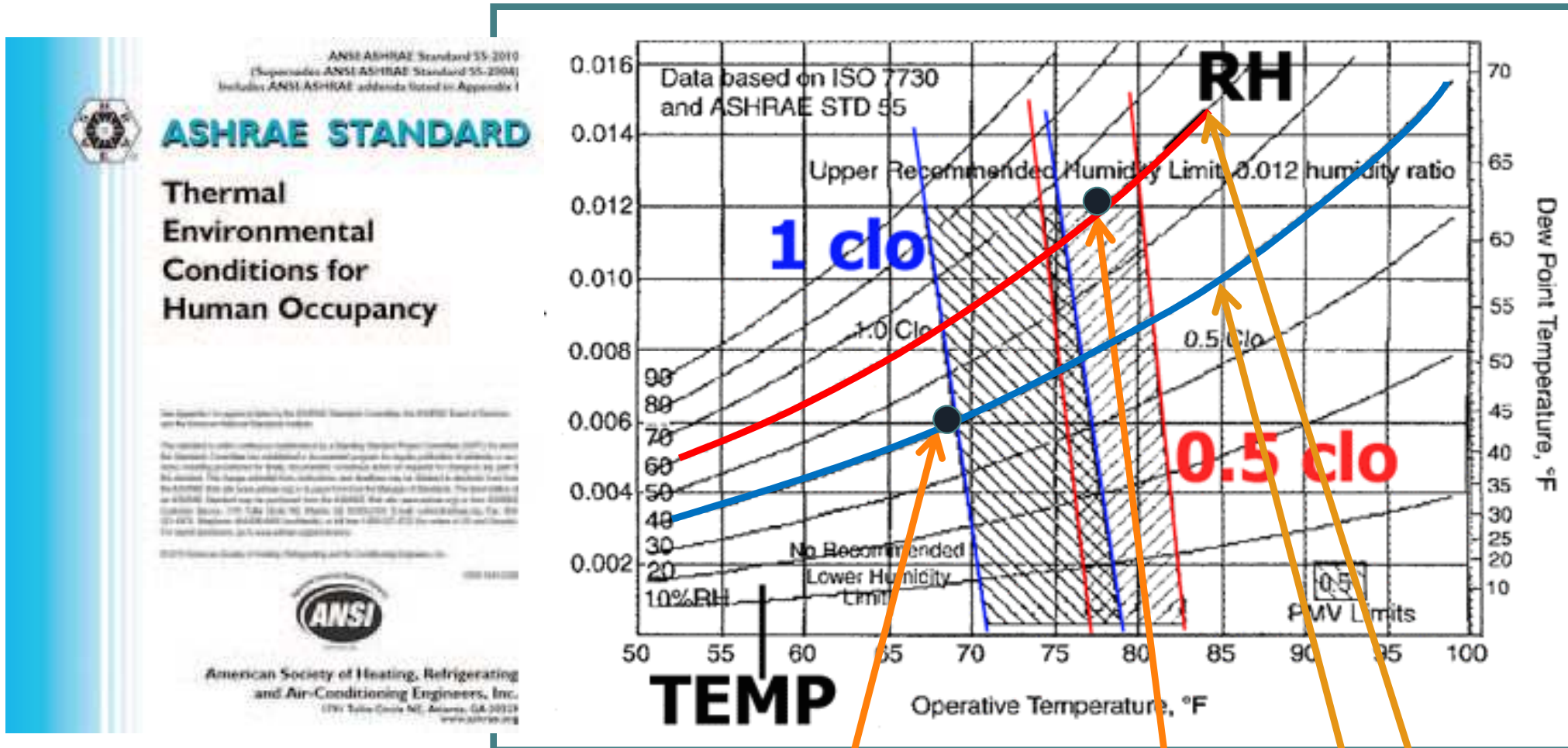
Dynamic Design & Verification Tool  
**WUFI Passive**

On demand integrated ventilation & space conditioning systems

# STATIC MODEL NEEDS TO BE REPLACED WITH DYNAMIC MODELING TO ASSESS THERMAL COMFORT



# PH THERMAL COMFORT RANGE



Interior comfort conditions winter 68 ° F, summer 77 ° F, RH 40-60%

Source: ASHRAE Standard 55-2010 Thermal Environmental Conditions for Human Occupancy

# BEOPT COST ANALYSIS FACTORS

BEopt 2.3.0.2 - New Project\* [Standard, New Construction]

File Screen Case Run Reports Tools Help

Input: Output: Run:

Analysis: Design Reference: My Design Sim Engine: EnergyPlus

**Building**

EPW Location: USA\_GA\_Atlanta-Hartsfield-Jackson

Terrain: Suburban

Natural Gas Hookup:

**Economics**

Project Analysis Period	30	years
Inflation Rate	2.4	%
Discount Rate (Real)	3.0	%
Material Cost Multiplier	1.00	
Labor Cost Multiplier	1.00	

**Mortgage**

Down Payment	0.0	%
Mortgage Interest Rate	4.0	%
Mortgage Period	30	years
Marginal Income Tax Rate, Federal	28.0	%
Marginal Income Tax Rate, State	0.0	%

**Other**

Incentives:  PV  Efficiency

Demand Response:  Signals

Electricity | Natural Gas | Oil | Propane

**Utility Rates**

Simple  Detailed

User Specified

Fixed	8.00	\$/month
Marginal	0.1054	\$/kWh
Average	0.1124	\$/kWh

State Average

National Average

Fuel Escalation (Real): 0.00 %/year

**PV Compensation**

Net Metering  Feed-in Tariff

Annual Excess Sellback Rate

Retail Electricity Cost: 0.10543 \$/kWh

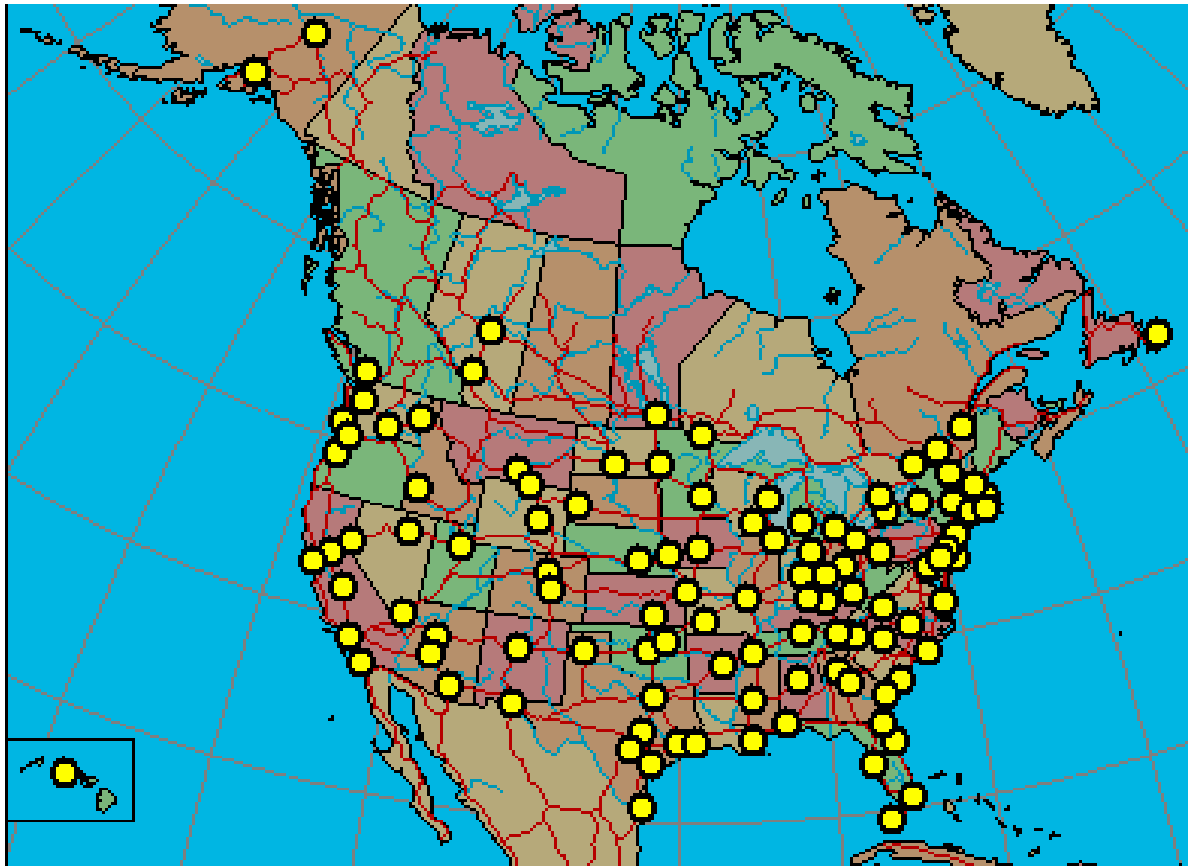
User Specified

**Energy Factors**

Source/Site Ratio	3.150	
Carbon Factor	1.530	lb/kWh

(Source: NREL/DOE)

# 100+ LOCATIONS IN **NORTH AMERICA** WERE CALCULATED IN BEOPT FOR A 2000 SQFT TEST HOUSE

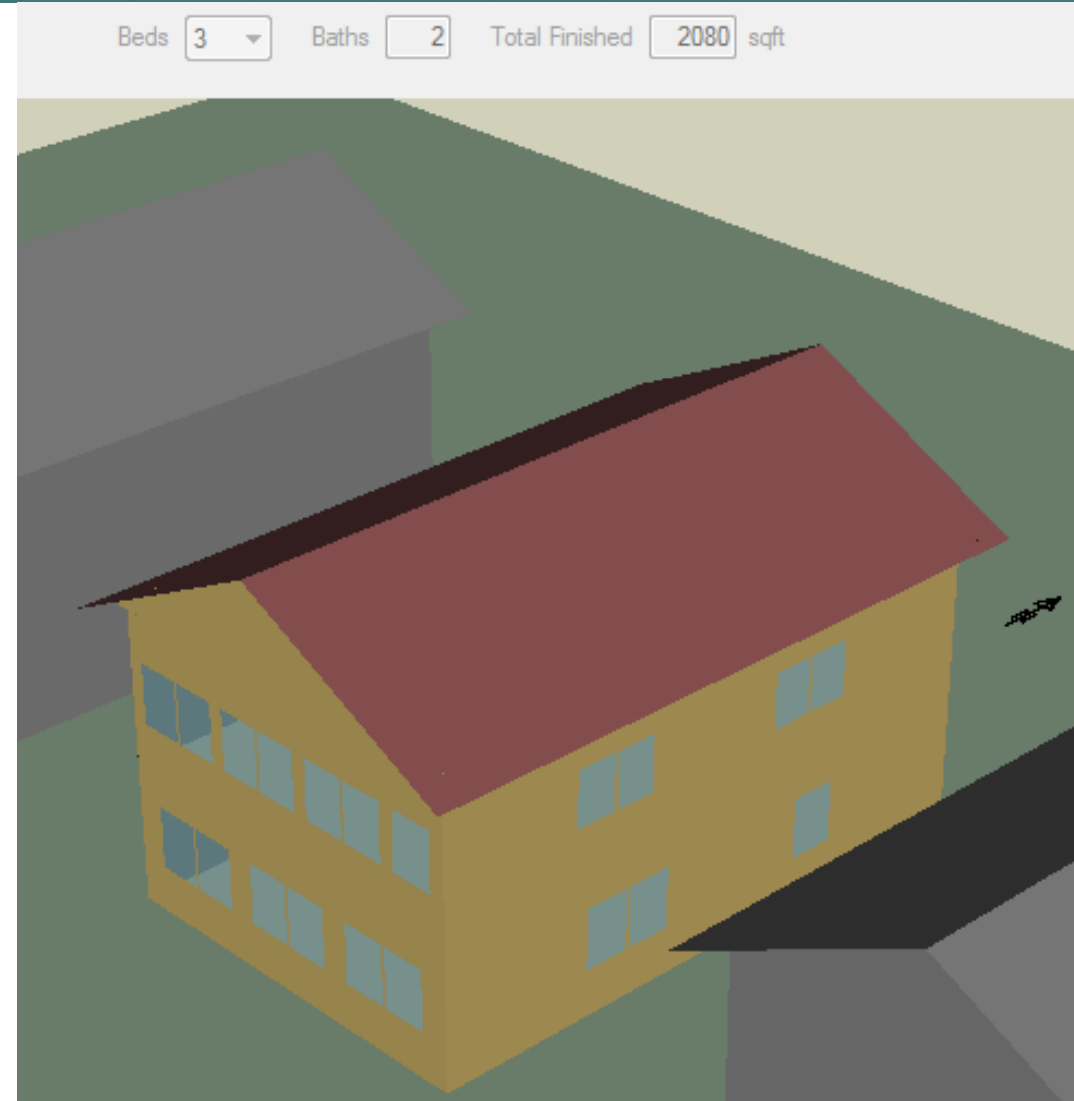


These are the locations for which WUFI weather data is available, which supports dynamic calculations for comfort verification and hygrothermal checks.

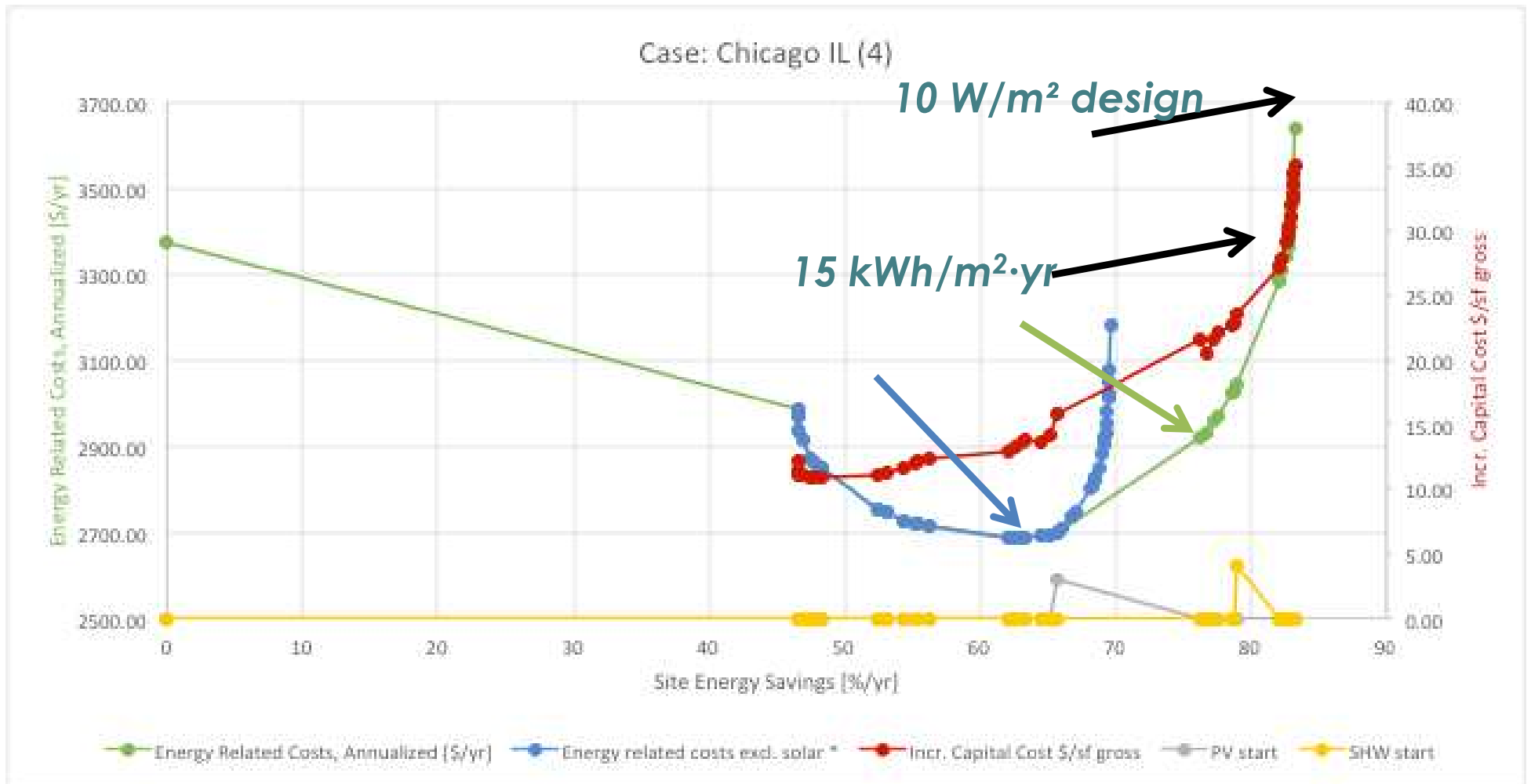
# COST –ENERGY STUDIES

## Studies with BEopt:

- 40x26 ft exterior, short south.
- 2 stories. Nbrs @ 20 feet.
- 3-bdrm 2-bath.
- Vented attic.
- Wall exterior-foam.
- Slab foundation.
- Window U-values constrained for comfort.
- Window area 15% of wall area, up to 40% conc. on South.
- Air-tight, ducts inside.
- All-electric.



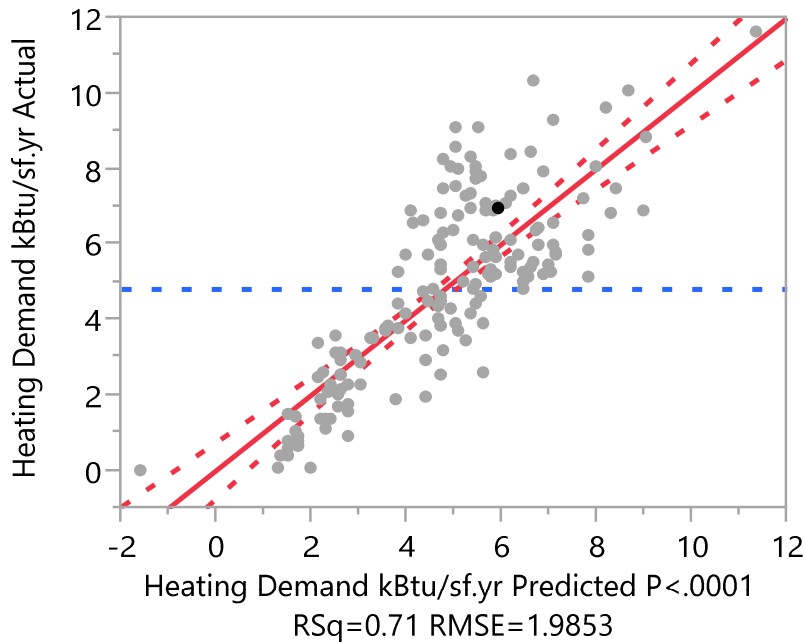
# STANDARDS WERE SET JUST PAST THE ECONOMIC OPTIMUM



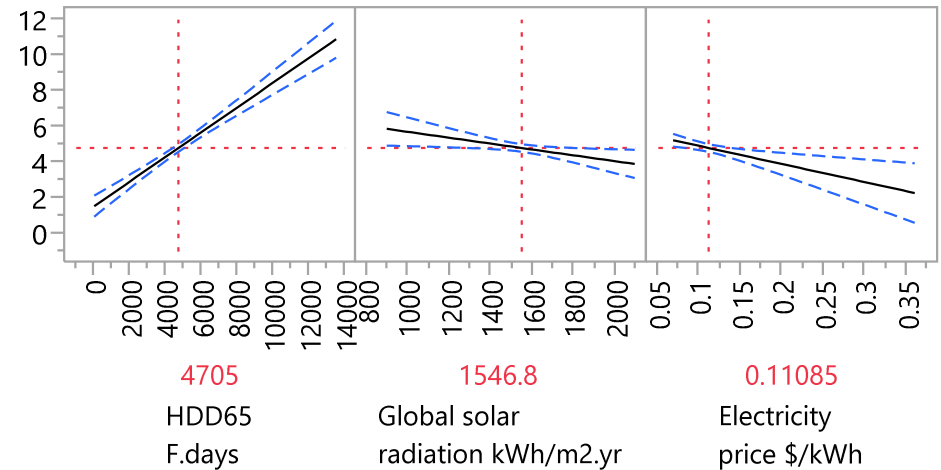
# CURVE FIT OF ALL RESULTS - SIMPLIFIED

## FORMULA FOR ANNUAL HEATING DEMAND & ADJUSTMENTS FOR SOLAR AND ELECTRICITY COST

### Actual by Predicted Plot – Annual Heating Demand



Heating Demand  
kBtu/sf.yr  
4.802201  
[4.585264,  
5.019138]



$$SSHD \text{ kBtu/ft}^2 \cdot \text{yr} = 5.2 + \frac{HDD65}{1445} - \frac{\text{Solar} \frac{\text{kWh}}{\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{yr}}}{610} - 10.1 * \text{Elec } \$/\text{kWh}$$



# THE SIMPLIFIED FORMULA IS THEN INCORPORATED INTO THE ENERGY MODEL FOR DESIGN VERIFICATION

## PASSIVEHOUSE REQUIREMENTS

### Certificate Criteria:

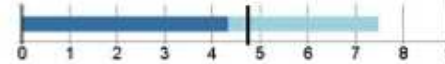
#### Heating Demand

specific: **4.3** kBtu/ft<sup>2</sup>yr  
 total: 7892.5 kBtu/yr  
 peak (month): 1.5 kBtu/ft<sup>2</sup>



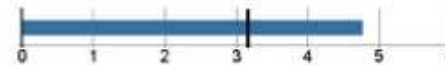
#### Cooling Demand

specific: **7.5** kBtu/ft<sup>2</sup>yr  
 total: 13824.8 kBtu/yr  
 peak (month) - sensible: 1.2 kBtu/ft<sup>2</sup>  
 latent: 3.1 kBtu/ft<sup>2</sup>yr



#### Heating Load

specific: **4.8** Btu/hr ft<sup>2</sup>  
 total: 8804.6 Btu/hr



#### Cooling Load

specific: **2.6** Btu/hr ft<sup>2</sup>  
 total: 4869.4 Btu/hr



#### Primary Energy

specific: **33.2** kBtu/ft<sup>2</sup>yr  
 total: 61468.6 kBtu/yr



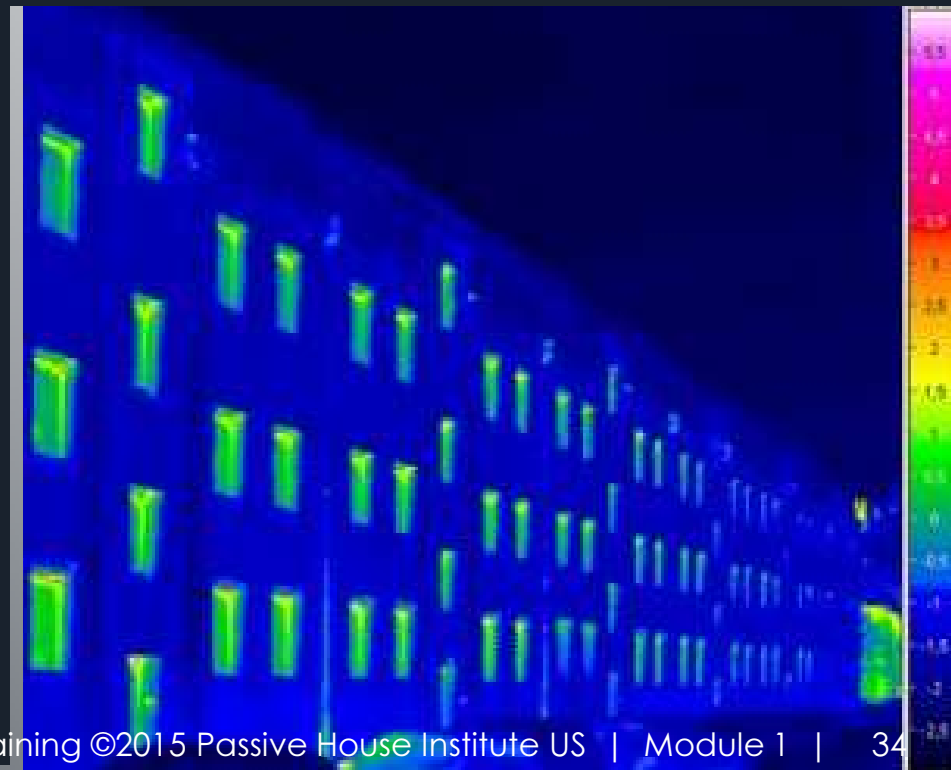
#### Air Tightness ACH50 **0.6** 1/hr



# PRINCIPLE 3: HIGH PERFORMANCE WINDOWS/ DOORS

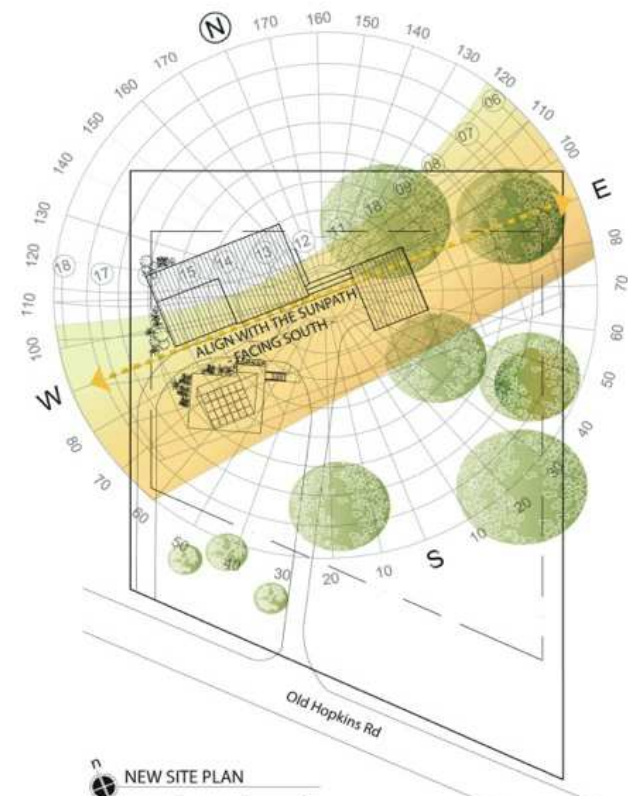
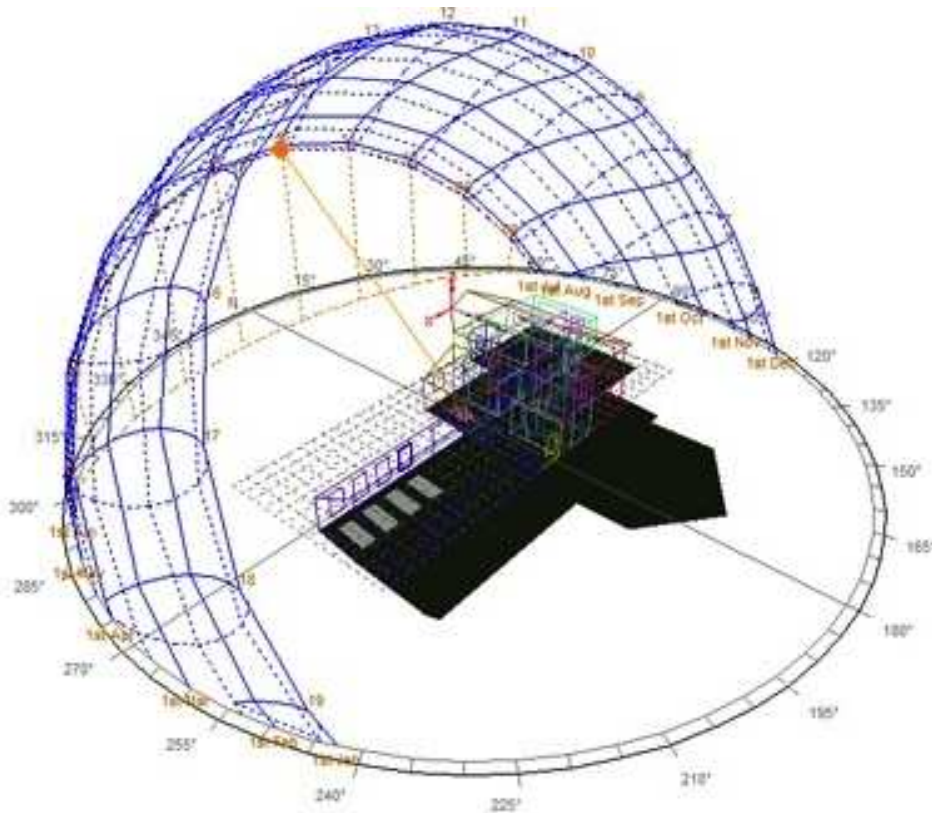
MINIMIZE LOSSES

OPTIMIZE GAINS



BEGIN WITH UNDERSTANDING  
THE SITE AND CLIMATE

# SITE AND CLIMATE

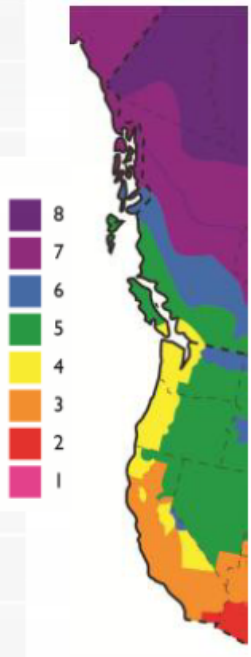


# WINDOW PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATION

WINDOWS NEED TO BE DESIGNED TO RESPOND TO THE CLIMATE CONDITIONS

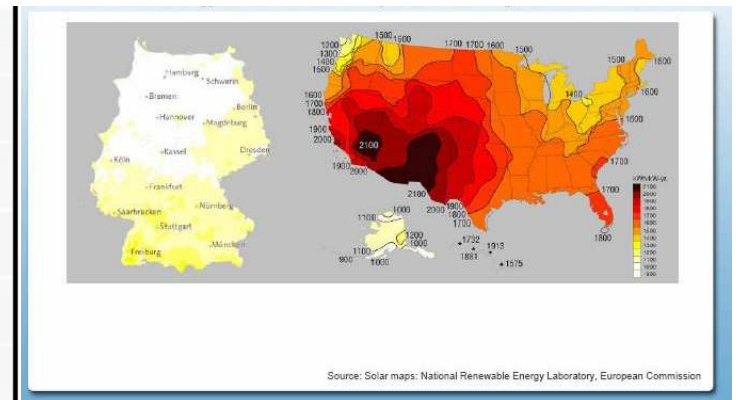
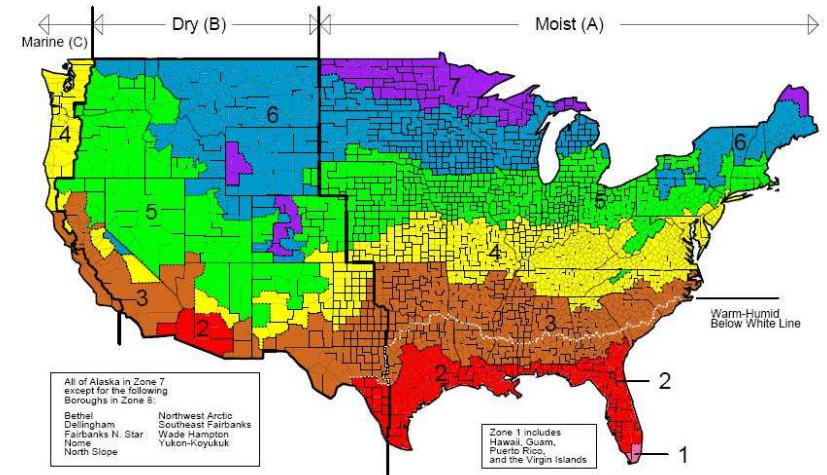
Source: [www.energycodes.gov](http://www.energycodes.gov)


## PHIUS – Climate Specific Window Selection Guidelines



ASHRAE/DOE North American Climate Zone	Overall Installed Window U-value - $U_w$ Btu/hr-ft <sup>2</sup> ·°F	Center of Glass U-value - $U_g$ Btu/hr-ft <sup>2</sup> ·°F	SHGC – South	SHGC – North East, West
8	$\leq 0.11$	$\leq 0.10$	$\geq 0.50$	$\leq 0.40$
7	$\leq 0.12$	$\leq 0.11$	$\geq 0.50$	$\leq 0.40$
6	$\leq 0.13$	$\leq 0.12$	$\geq 0.50$	$\leq 0.40$
5	$\leq 0.14$	$\leq 0.13$	$\geq 0.50$	$\leq 0.40$
4	$\leq 0.15$	$\leq 0.14$	$\geq 0.50$	$\leq 0.40$
Marine North	$\leq 0.16$	$\leq 0.15$	$\geq 0.50$	$\leq 0.40$
Marine South	$\leq 0.22$	$\leq 0.20$	$\leq 0.50$	$\leq 0.30$
3 (west)	$\leq 0.18$	$\leq 0.16$	$\leq 0.50$	$\leq 0.30$
2 (west)	$\leq 0.18$	$\leq 0.16$	$\leq 0.30$	$\leq 0.30$
2 (east)	$\leq 0.20$	$\leq 0.18$	$\leq 0.30$	$\leq 0.30$

Reference: Table Values PHIUS, Climate Map DOE/ASHRAE/NECB Zones by RDH



Product name: <b>VEKA DH93WW</b>		Center-of-glass properties					
ASHRAE/IECC/ DOE North American Climate Zone	North, East, West - facing						
	South- facing						
		Cardinal 2154/2001/2154					
Climate specific recommendations:	Whole-window nominal U-value		Ucog-Value				
		W/m2K	BTU/hr.ft2.F	SHGC	W/m2K	BTU/hr.ft2.F	
8		1.21	0.21	0.255	0.719	0.127	
7		1.22	0.21	0.255	0.726	0.128	
6		1.22	0.22	0.255	0.735	0.129	
5		1.22	0.22	0.255	0.737	0.130	
4		1.23	0.22	0.255	0.741	0.131	
Marine North		1.23	0.22	0.255	0.745	0.131	
Marine South	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1.23	0.22	0.255	0.750	0.132
3		1.23	0.22	0.255	0.747	0.132	
2 West		1.23	0.22	0.255	0.749	0.132	
2 East		1.23	0.22	0.255	0.749	0.132	
<b>VEKA DH93WW vertical slider upper</b>							
		FRAME			Psi-spacer		
		Frame height		U-frame		Ψ	
		mm	in	W/m2K	BTU/hr.ft2.F		W/mK
Head		81	3.18	1.50	0.26	0.034	0.020
MR upper half		25	0.97	4.52	0.80	0.053	0.030
Jamb upper left		105	4.14	1.72	0.30	0.035	0.020
Jamb upper right		105	4.14	1.72	0.30	0.035	0.020
<b>VEKA DH93WW vertical slider lower</b>							
		FRAME			Psi-spacer		Psi-opaque
		Frame height		U-frame		Ψ	
		mm	in	W/m2K	BTU/hr.ft2.F		W/mK
MR lower half		25	0.97	1.18	0.21	0.025	0.015
Sill		85	3.36	1.48	0.26	0.035	0.020
Jamb lower left		92	3.64	1.55	0.27	0.035	0.020
Jamb lower right		92	3.64	1.55	0.27	0.035	0.020
For vertical slider the MR is the sill for the upper and head for the lower							
Valid through August 2015							

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# PRINCIPLE 4: BALANCED VENTILATION:

HEAT & MOISTURE RECOVERY  
POLLUTANT REMOVAL



# Most Popular Models



Zehnder ComfoAir 350 (ERV/HRV)



UltimateAir 200DX (ERV)



# STUDY CONCLUSIONS

Apply uniform source energy limit per person – fair-share principle to meet globally needed reduction targets.

Space conditioning criteria optimized to benefit the building owners and occupants, recalibrated for economic feasibility, comfort and resilience.

Under the both-and system, more projects will likely find themselves challenged on peak loads and source instead of annual heat demand.

It will tend to favor higher occupancy and more efficient forms of housing, discourage under populated McMansions, soften the small homes penalty.

Mileage will vary but level of envelope improvement should be much closer to an economic optimum in relationship to zero and the cost of PV



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