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Comparison between real plants using R744 with ejector and parallel compressor and a conventional R134a/R744 cascade in warm climates

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Supermarket characteristics

- Largest hypermarket in Italy
- Hypermarket Brand: IPER
- 10,000 m² of covered area
- 147 MT cabinets, 29 LT cabinets
- 105 plug-in cabinets
- 26 MT-LT cold rooms (1700 m³ tot)



Cooling loads

- 290 kW MT
- 40 kW LT

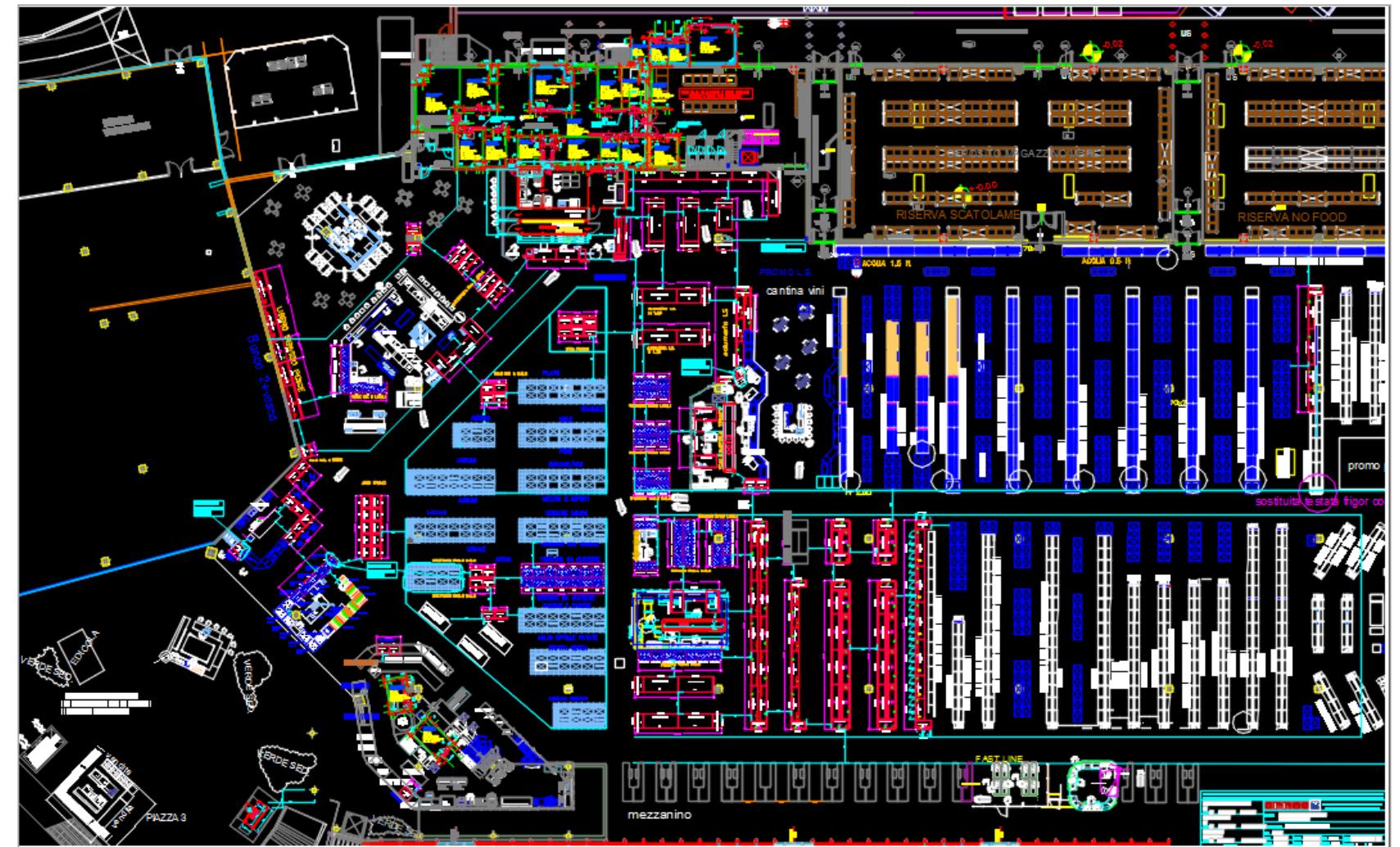
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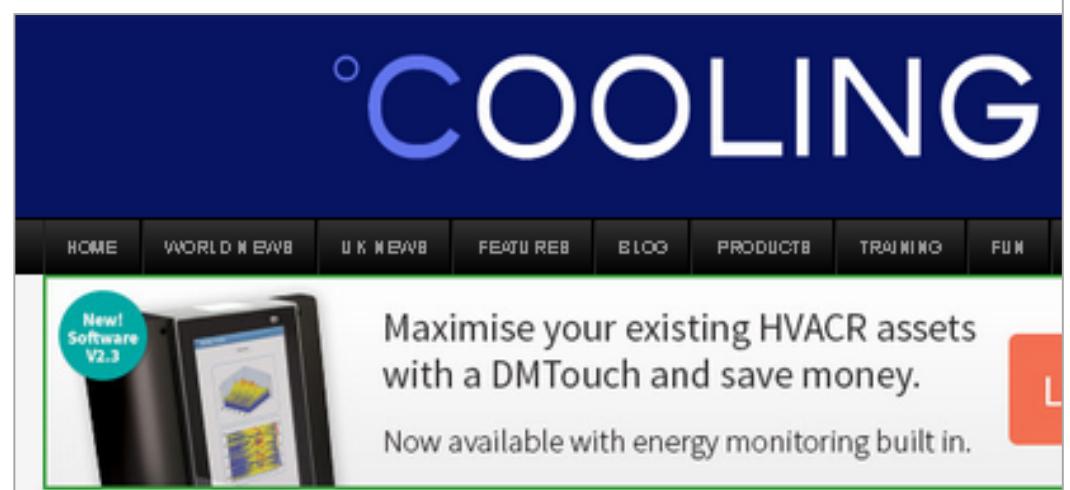
- Northern Italy- Arese (MI)
- Warm climate



Innovative technology

- International awards





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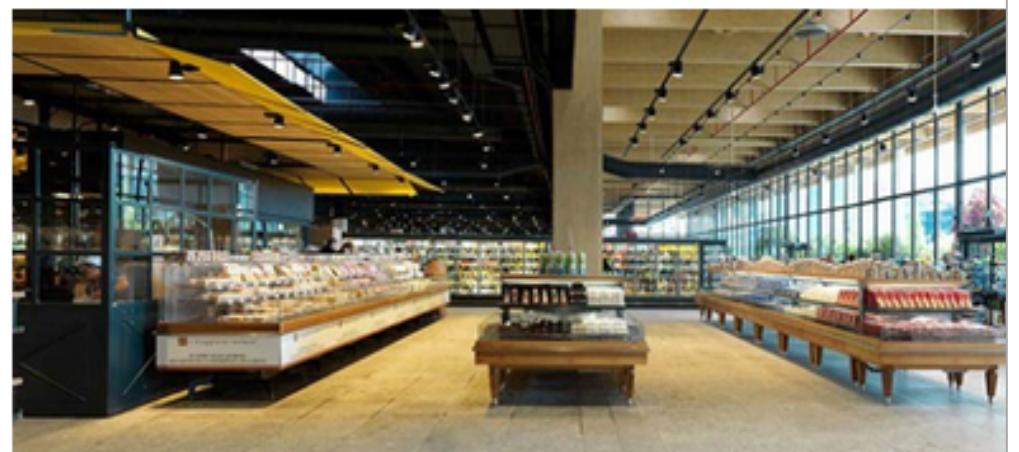
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Italy's largest hypermarket goes CO₂

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ITALY: A question mark has been hanging over the use of CO₂ transcritical refrigeration in warm climates but recent advances in Southern Europe suggest it can be a viable solution.

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Italy's largest hypermarket opts for CO₂ transcritical

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In April 2016, the largest hypermarket in Italy opened its doors in Milan. The hypermarket is pioneering a CO₂ transcritical refrigeration system using temperatures up to 38°C, further demonstrating that CO₂ refrigeration is advancing across the globe.

The Iper hypermarket is part of the new Arese shopping centre, which is the largest shopping centre in Italy and one of the largest in Europe. Sustainability is a key pillar of the building's design, which qualifies for U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) LEED Gold certification, meaning that the hypermarket has been designed and constructed to use less water and energy and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

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The Iper hypermarket is one of the first stores to implement new ejector refrigeration system. Convinced by the results of numerous tests in recent years in order to enhance the hypermarket's energy efficiency.

"Electricity for refrigeration makes up 50% of the total energy consumption of the hypermarket, so the ambition is to cut down this consumption year by year as part of their sustainability program. Another natural refrigerants to cut the carbon footprint. In order to fulfill these goals, we proposed a large installation with several hundred cabinets and cold rooms operating under ambient temperatures up to 38°C," says Enrico Zambotto, Technical Support Manager from Arneg, a world leader in the production of complete refrigeration solutions for the retail industry.



The use of CO₂ trans-critical refrigeration in warm climates has been a hot topic for many years. The tables are turning, however, and CO₂ refrigeration advances across Southern Europe as an efficient and viable solution. In April 2016, the largest hypermarket in Italy opened its doors in Milan. The 10,000 m² brand new Iper supermarket is a pioneer in CO₂ trans-critical refrigeration system using Ejector technology to enhance efficiency in temperatures up to 38°C. The turnkey refrigeration system is supplied by Arneg.

The Iper supermarket is part of the new Arese Shopping Center, erected on the old Alfa Romeo car production site that was formerly the cherished workplace of 40,000 workers. Building on this proud heritage, the Arese Shopping Center is the largest shopping centers in Italy and one of the largest in Europe, including 92,000 m² of Italian market style floor space with more than 200 shops, cafes and restaurants.

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Why go for trans-critical refrigeration using Ejector technology?

The Iper supermarket is one of the first to implement new Ejector technology in the trans-critical refrigeration system. Convinced by the results of numerous tests in recent years, Arneg decided to go for this technology to enhance the energy efficiency of the system.

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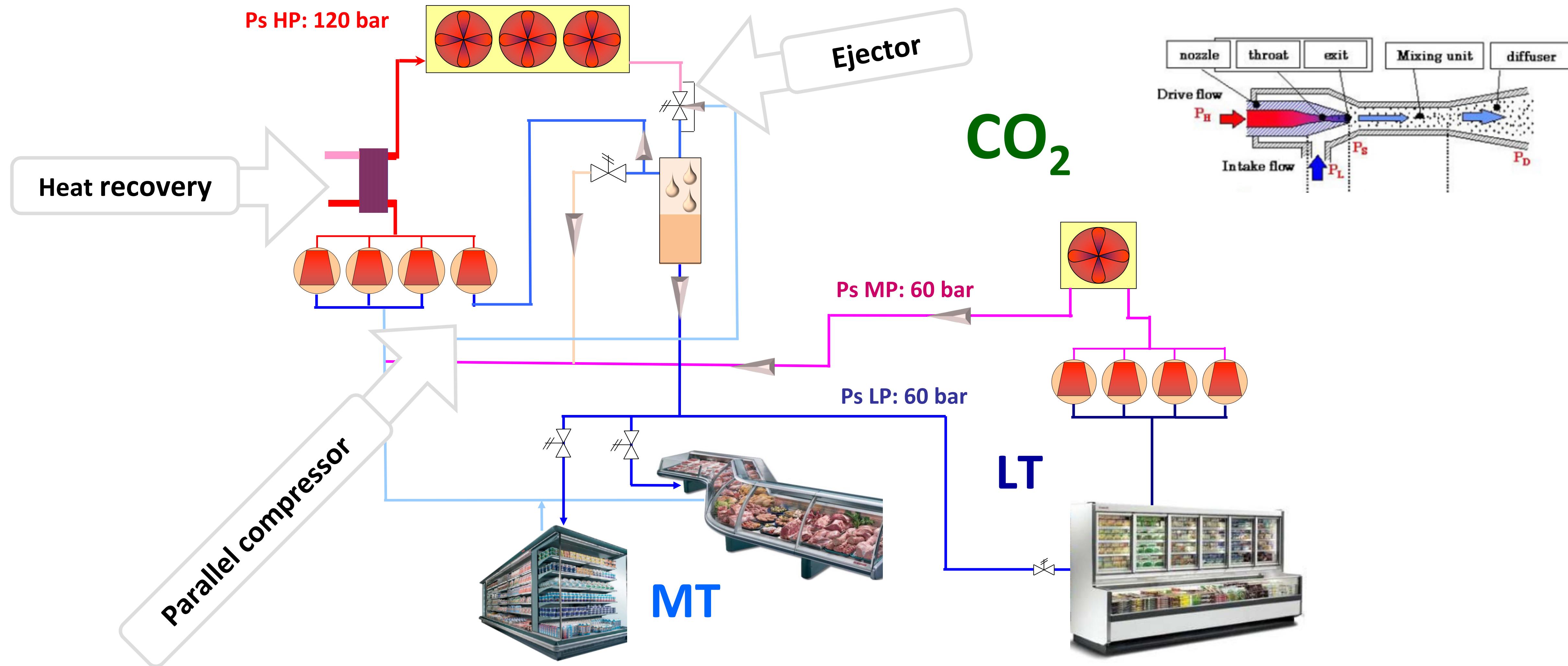
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L'uso della refrigerazione transcritica nei climi caldi è stato un tema trattato (e controverso) per molti anni. Il vento sta però cambiando e la refrigerazione a CO₂ avanza in tutta l'Europa del Sud come una soluzione efficiente e praticabile per la refrigerazione commerciale.

Nel mese di aprile 2016 il più grande ipermercato in Italia ha aperto le sue porte ad Arese, vicino a Milano. Il nuovo supermercato a marchio IPER con i suoi 10.000 m² di superficie è un pioniere nel sistema di refrigerazione a CO₂ transcritica e utilizza la tecnologia dell'elettore per migliorare l'efficienza a temperature ambientali fino a 38°C. Il sistema chiavi in mano di refrigerazione è fornito dall'azienda italiana Arneg. L'Iper è parte del nuovo centro commerciale di Arese, costruito sullo storico sito produttivo dell'Alfa Romeo, ai tempi posto di lavoro di circa 40.000 lavoratori. Fiero di tanta

Plant description

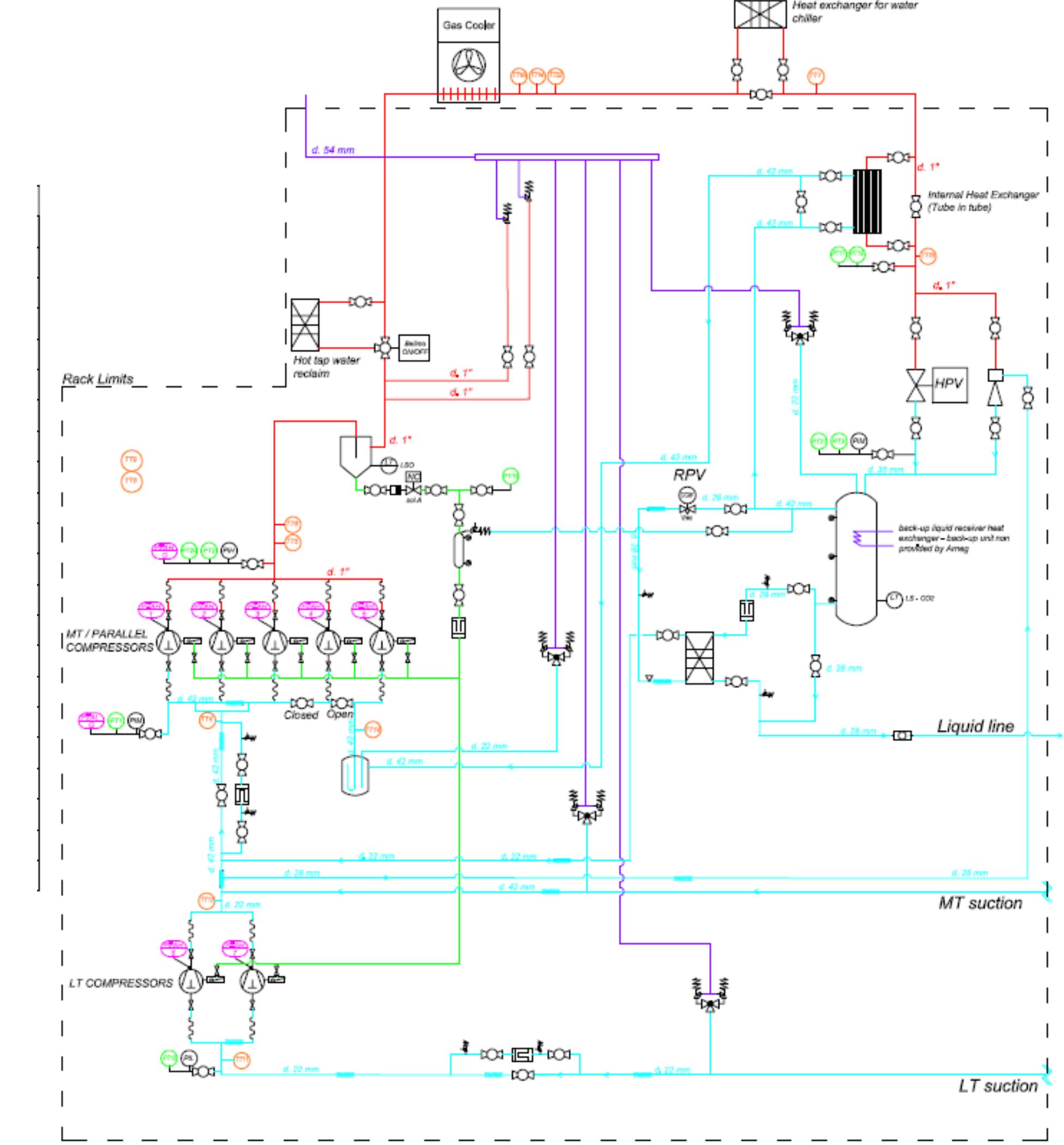


Two racks

- Compressors: Dorin
 - 3 x CD4000H
 - 2 x CD4000H
 - 2 x CD750M
- Gas cooler: LU-VE EHVD 1 x 6226 4 fans EC
- Controller: Danfoss AKPC 781

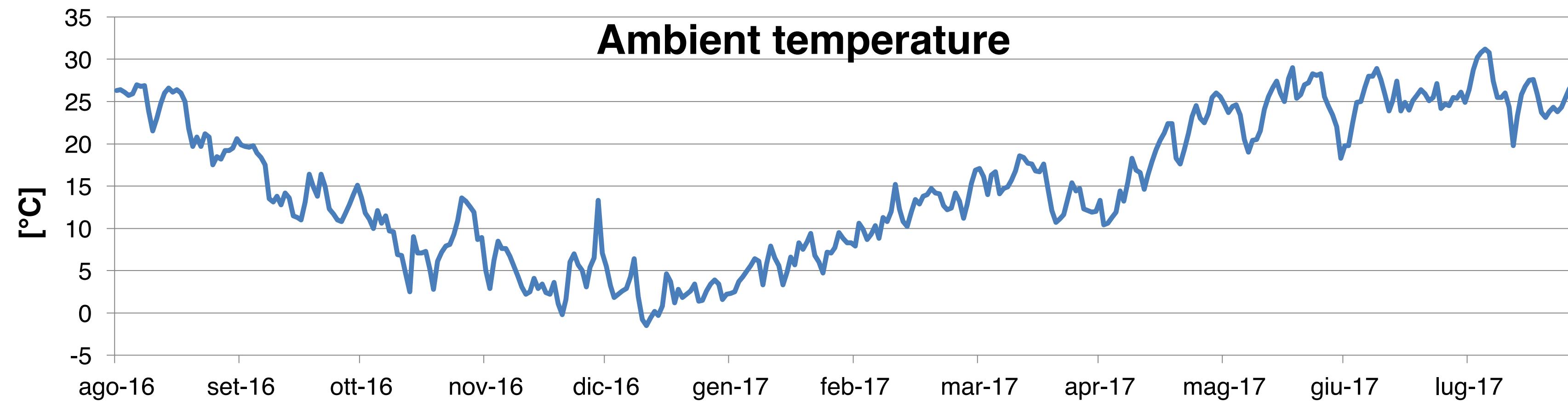
Energy saving devices

- Parallel compressors
- Multistep vapour ejector
- Inverter on:
 - 1° MT compressor
 - 1° LT compressor
 - 1° parallel compressor
- Heat recovery (300 kW)



Design conditions

- Evaporating temperature LT: -30 °C
- Evaporating temperature MT: -8°C
- Maximum ambient temperature: 40°C
- Maximum pressures:
 - HP 120 bar
 - MP 60 bar
 - LP 60 bar



Supermarket characteristics

- 9,500 m² of covered area
- 144 MT cabinets, 32 LT cabinets

Geographic location

- Northern Italy – Padua
- Warm climate

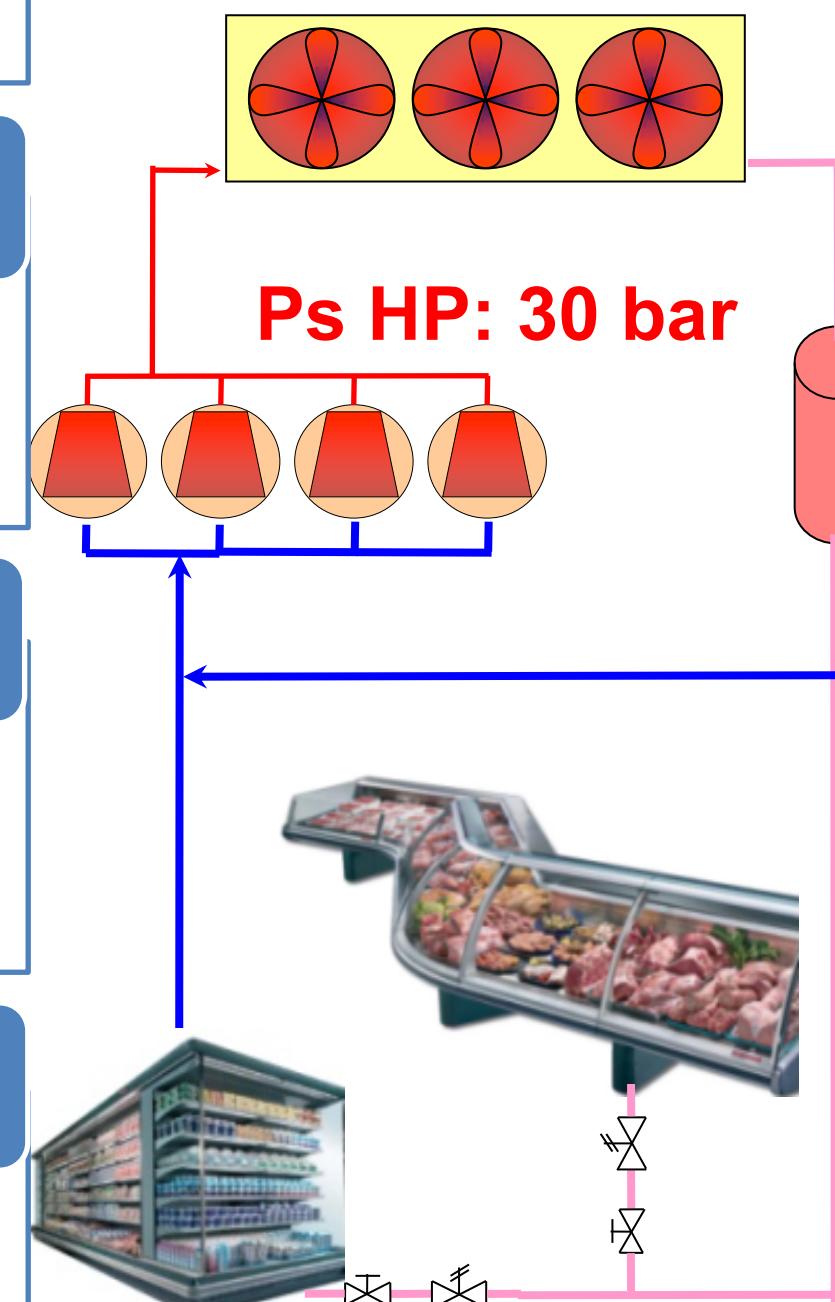
Cooling loads

- 285 kW MT
- 41 kW LT

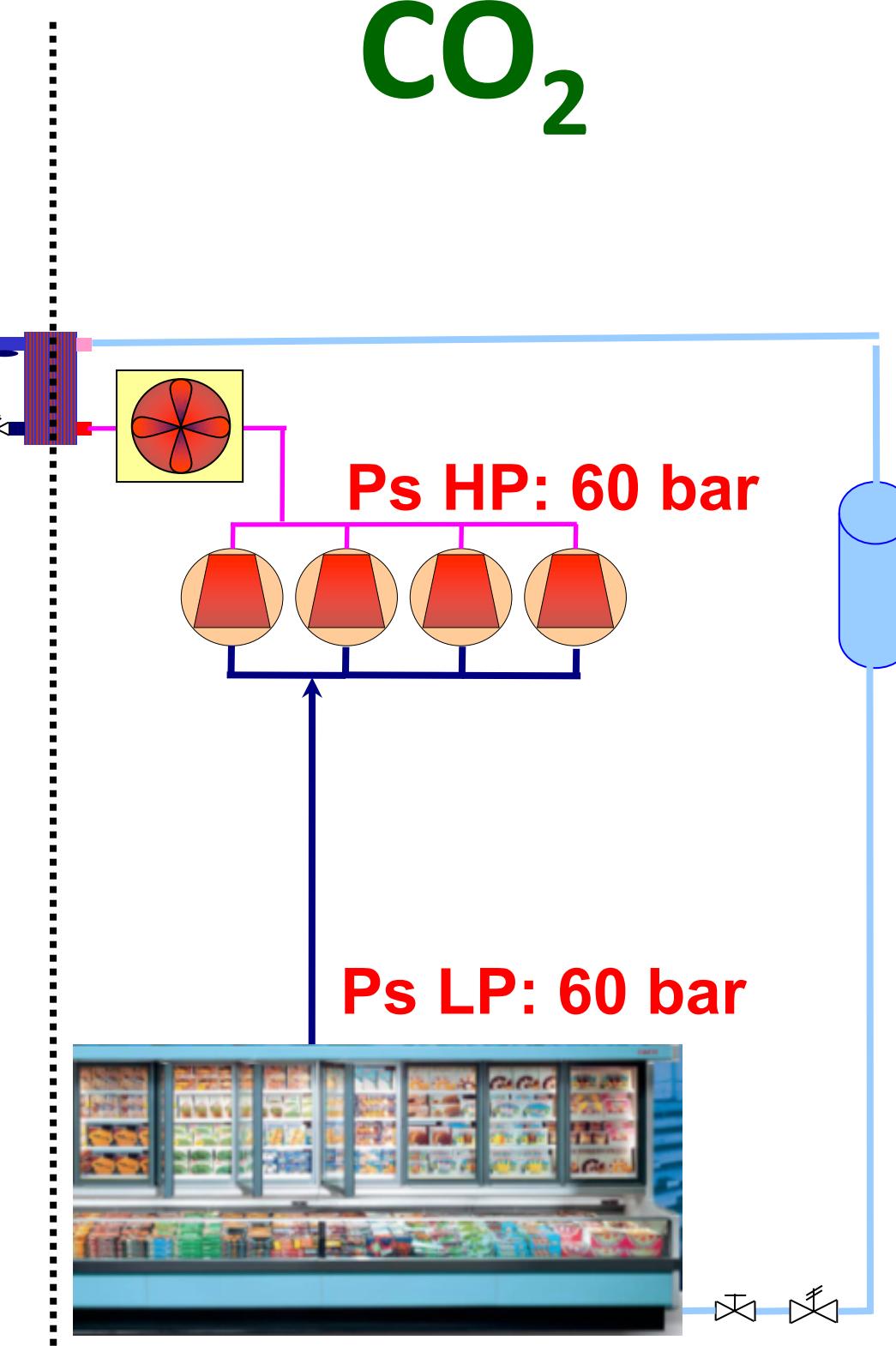
Design conditions

- Evaporating temperature:
 - -8 °C MT
 - -30 °C LT
- Maximum ambient temperature:
 - 37 °C

R134a



CO₂

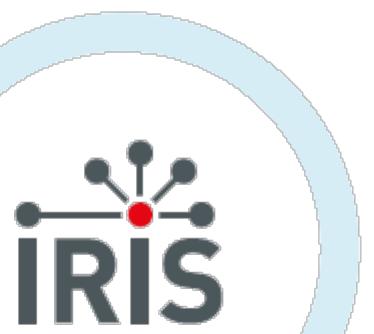
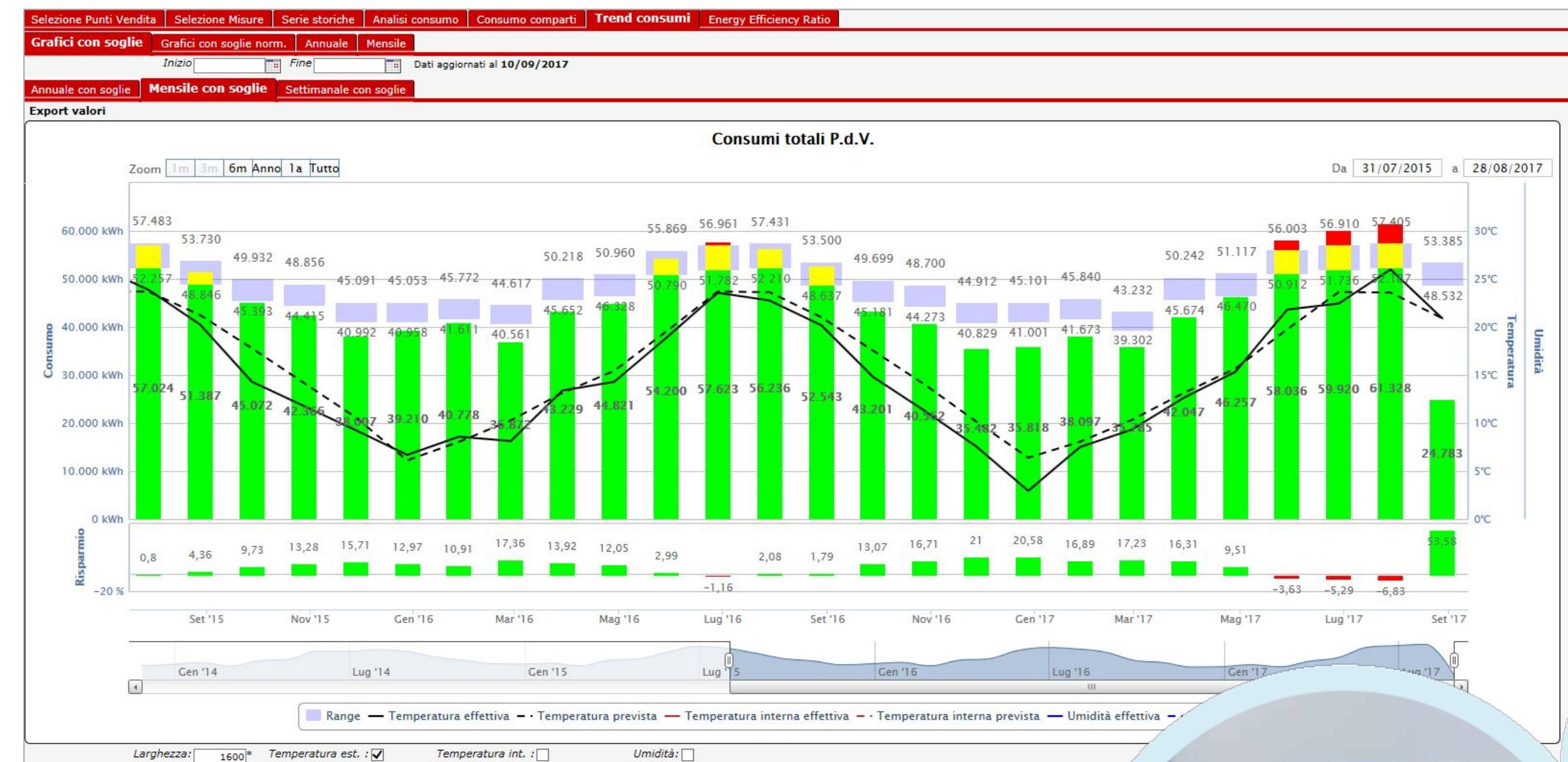


Supervision

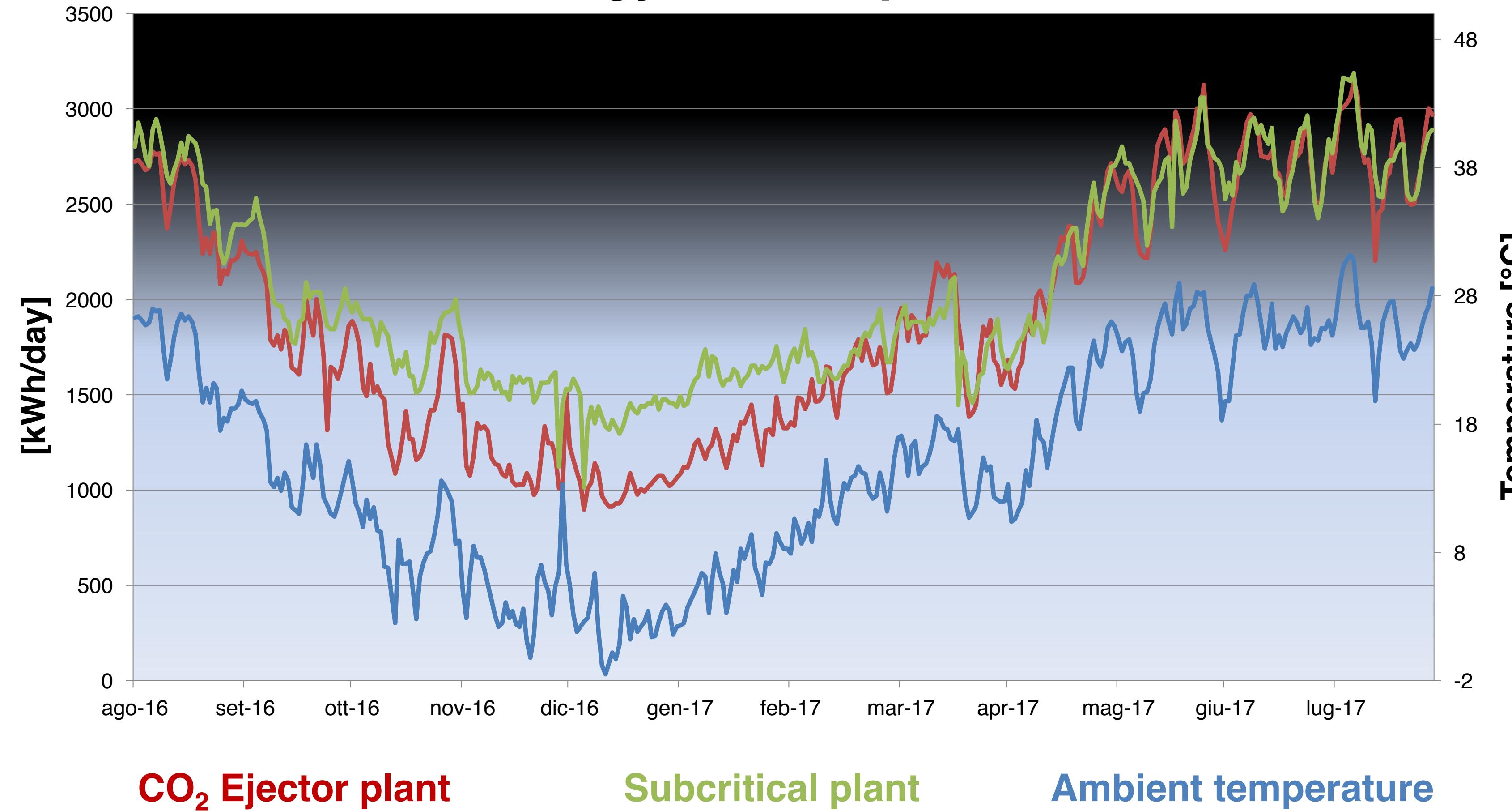
- Management of supermarket devices
- Maintenance planning and optimization
- Real-time display of data and alarms

Energy management

- Data analysis
- Prevision of energy consumption trends
- Optimization of plants in order to obtain maximum savings



Energy consumption



Summer

CO₂ ejector energy consumption similar to subcritical

Winter

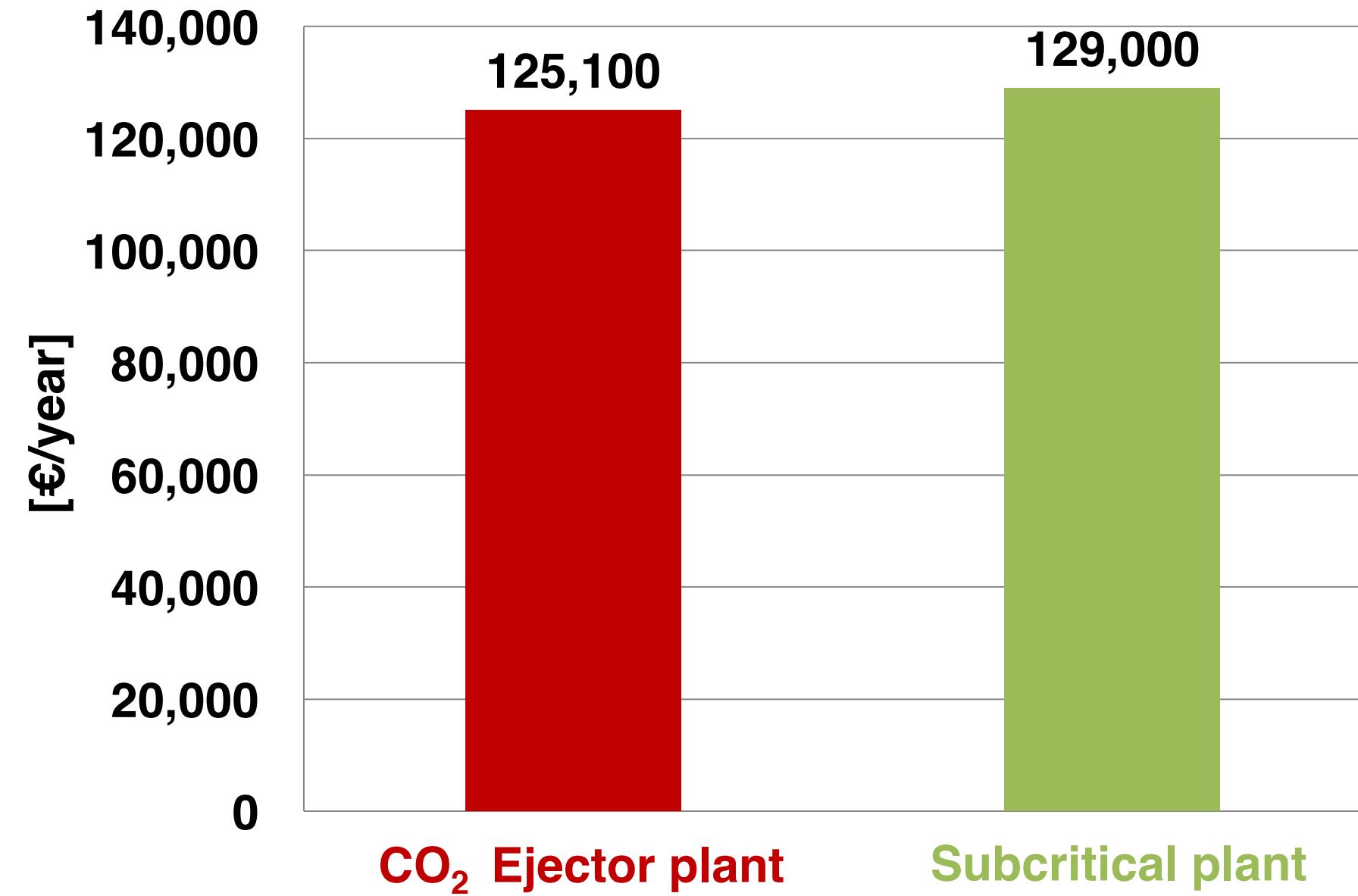
Good performance of CO₂ ejector plant

CO₂ Ejector plant

Subcritical plant

Ambient temperature

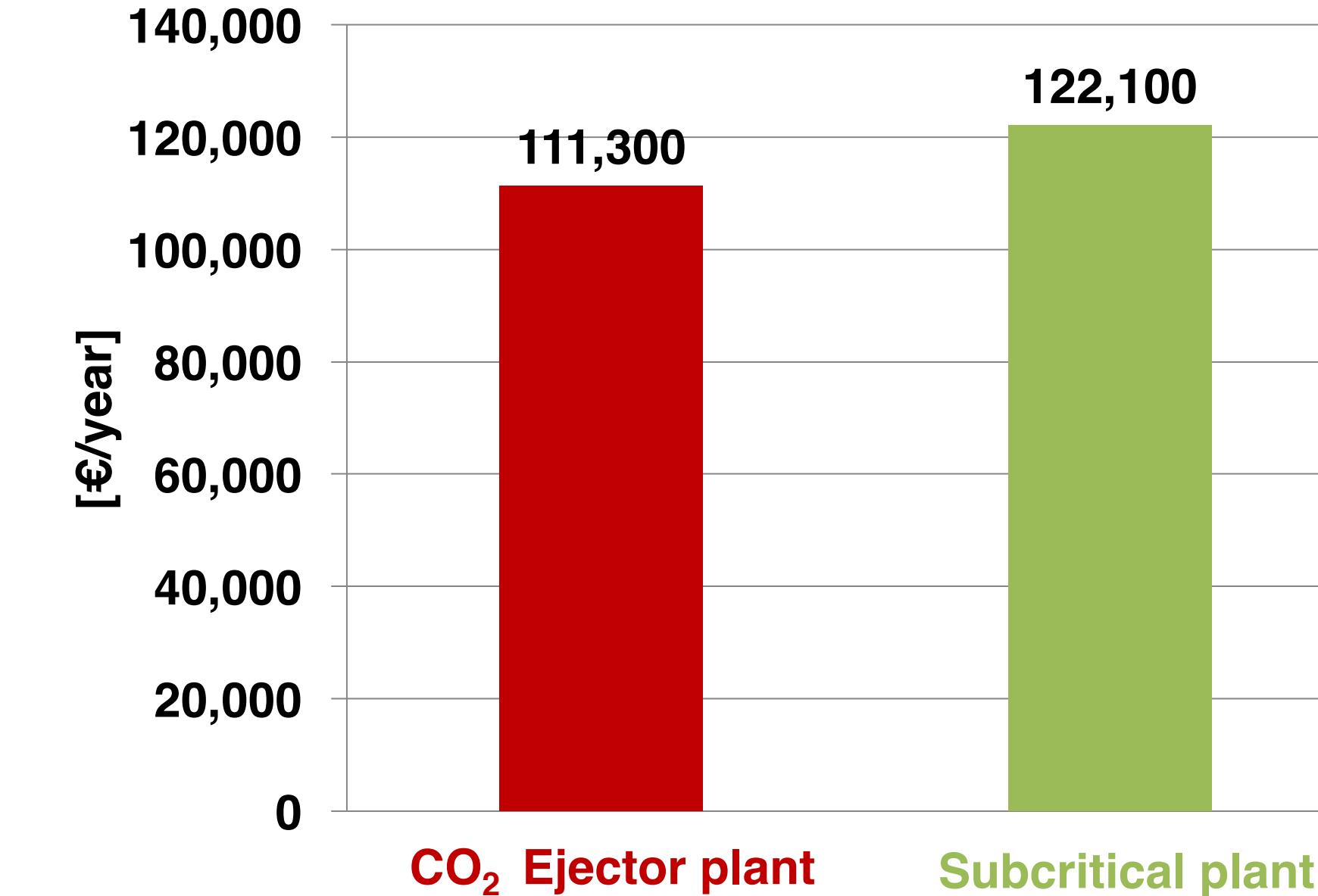
Energy consumption | THEORETICAL



Saving 3%

-21,700 kWh/year
-3,900 €/year

Energy consumption | MEASURED



Saving 9%

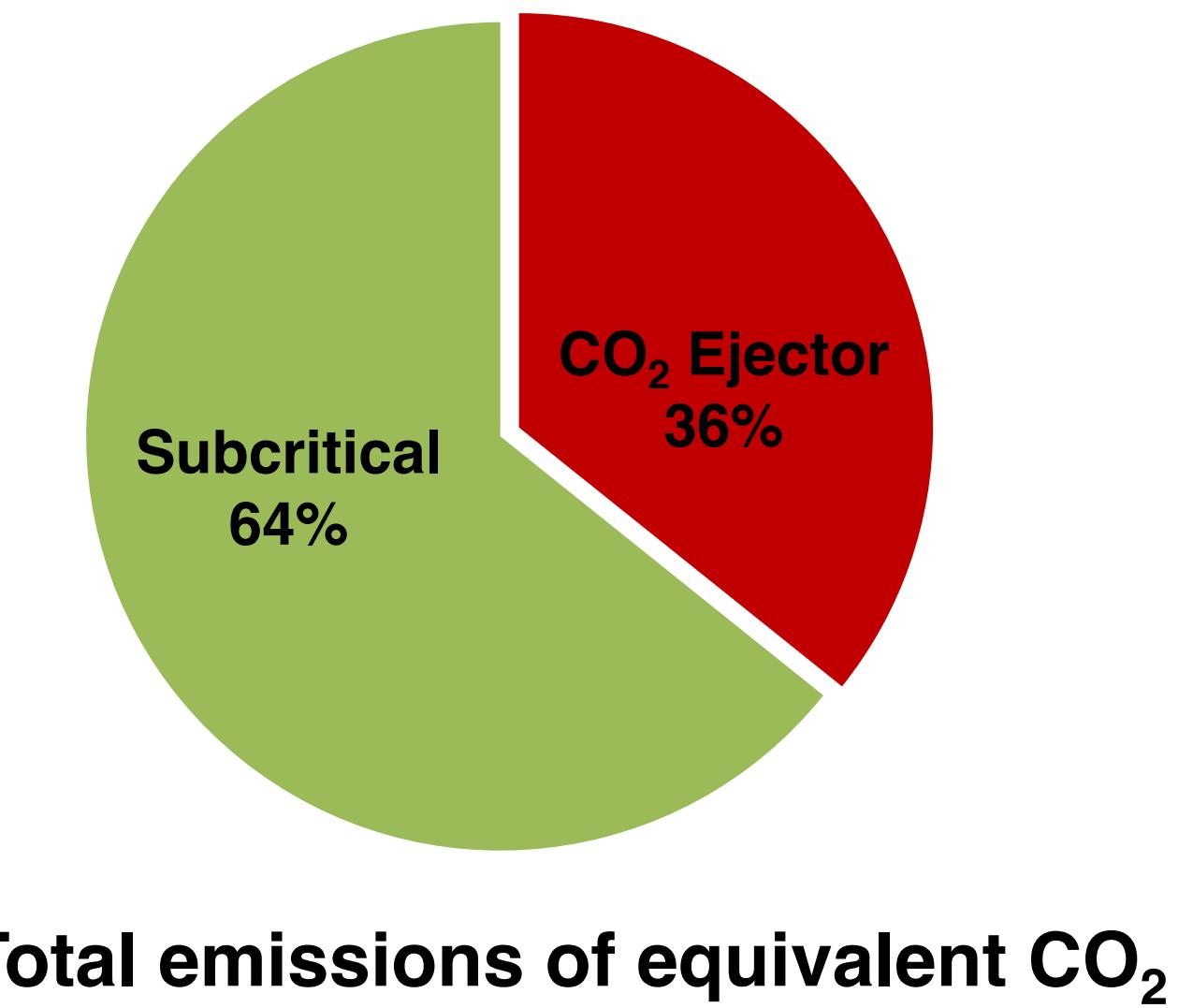
-60,300 kWh/year
-10,800 €/year

Plant	Direct emissions [ton CO ₂ eq]	Indirect emissions [ton CO ₂ eq]	Total emissions [ton CO ₂ eq]
CO ₂ Ejector	2	2020	2022
Subcritical	1416	2217	3633

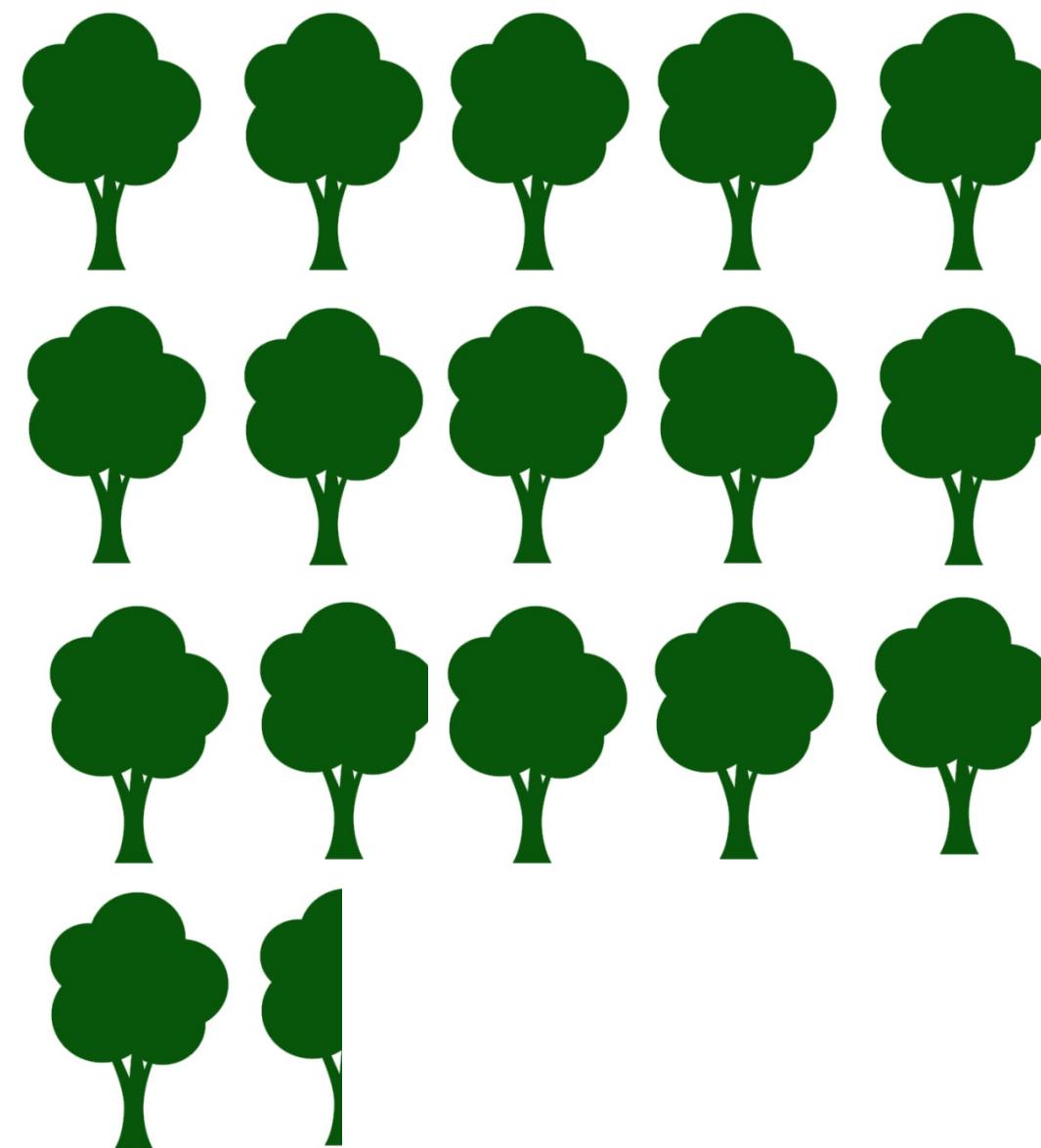
-44% of total emissions

Direct emissions
refrigerant losses
= 1 plant charge in 10 years

Indirect emissions
327 g CO₂/kWh for purchased electricity
(source: ISPRA)

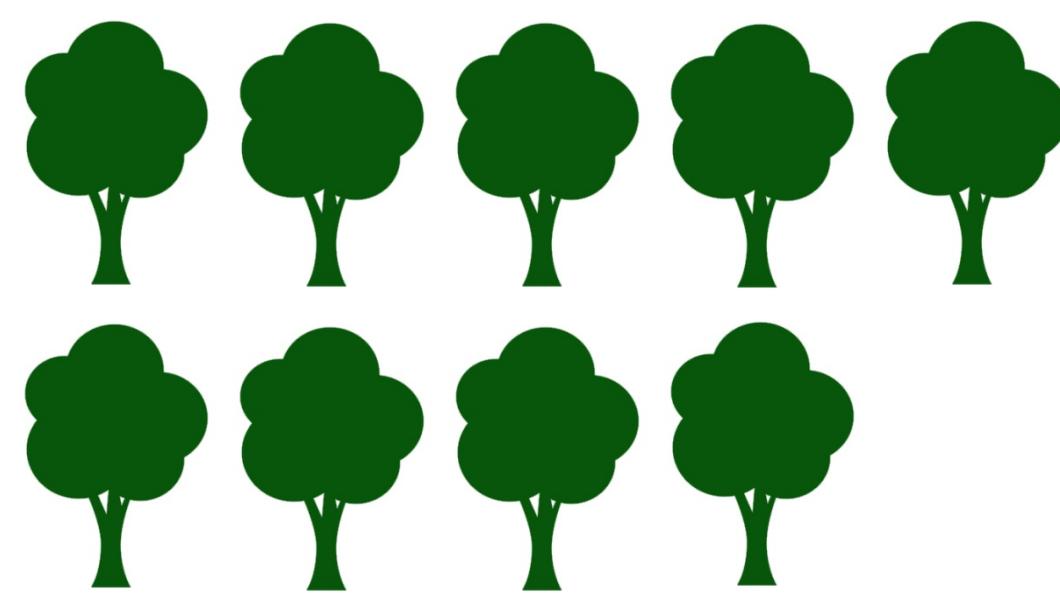


Subcritical plant



16,100 trees

CO₂ ejector plant



9,000 trees

CO₂ total emission

Reduction of 1,610 ton
CO₂ emission

Equivalent trees

Saving of 7,100 trees

Conclusions

- Use of energy saving solutions makes CO₂ competitive compared to subcritical cycles also in warm climates.
- CO₂ ejector system performance is better than theoretical expected results.
- CO₂ technology helps to contain emissions in atmosphere with significant benefits for the environment.
- Thanks to its properties, CO₂ helps final customers to save energy and money.

Future developments

Arneg is following the way of innovation with natural gases.

Next step in energy saving with CO₂ are:

- Use of liquid ejector to flood evaporators in order to drop 10% energy consumption (new openings in 2017)
- Hot gas defrosting
- Heat reclaim and heat pumps (HVAC supermarket)

Work in progress...



Thank you very much!

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