



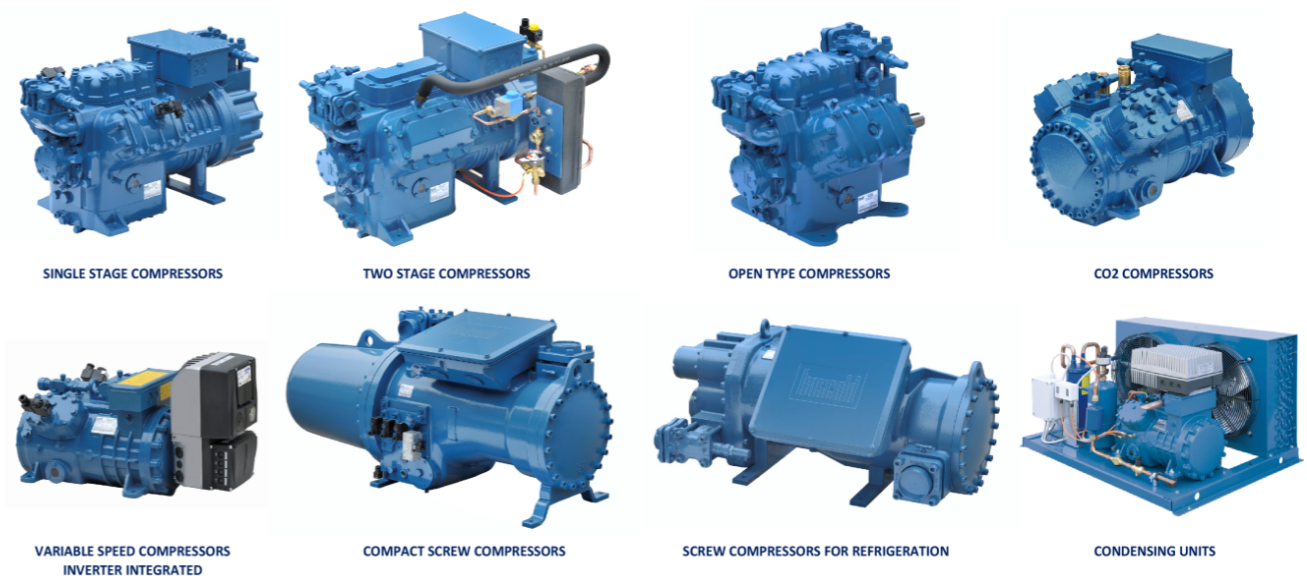
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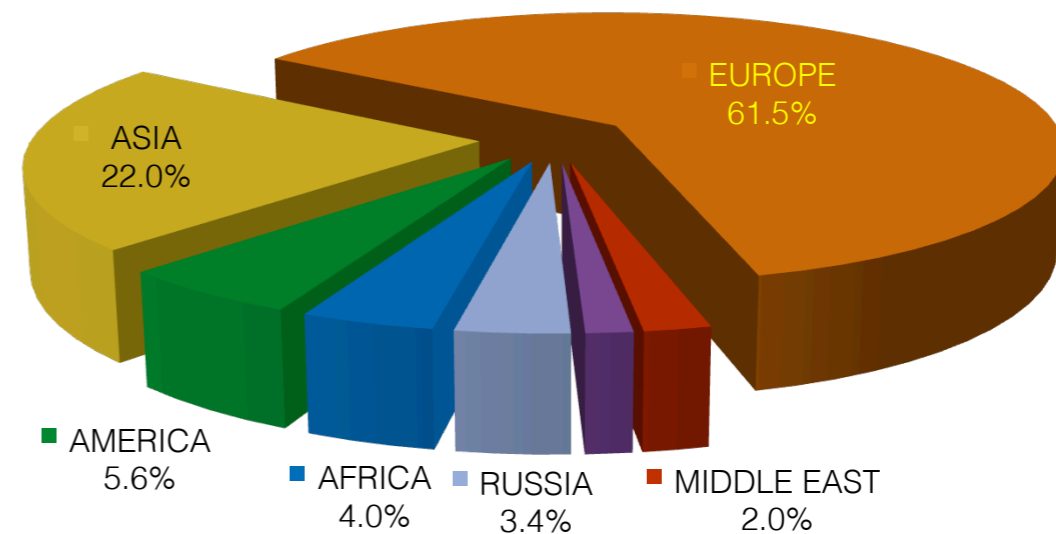
**YEARLY SIMULATION OF CO₂ REFRIGERATION SYSTEMS FOR
SUPERMARKET APPLICATIONS**

FRASCOLD SPA



Frascold in numbers

Location	Milan (Italy)
Production	53.000 m ²
Compressors	60.000 per year
Turnover	48 Mio € (2016)



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3 offices:

Beijing,
Shanghai

Guangzhou

Stock for compressors and
spare parts

21 distributors all over China

Service and Technical support

Website www.frascold.net



PRESENTATION OUTLINE

- Purpose
- System description
 - P&I diagram
 - p-h diagram
- Model description
 - Control zones
 - Temperature and load profile
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- Next steps
- Conclusions

PURPOSE

Understand how to select CO₂ booster system considering loads, system configuration and yearly temperature profile in order to provide a guidance for CO₂ most promising market worldwide in the years to come: China

Analyze and compare two CO₂ system configurations according to yearly based performances.

Two trans-critical CO₂ refrigeration system configurations for supermarket applications are studied:

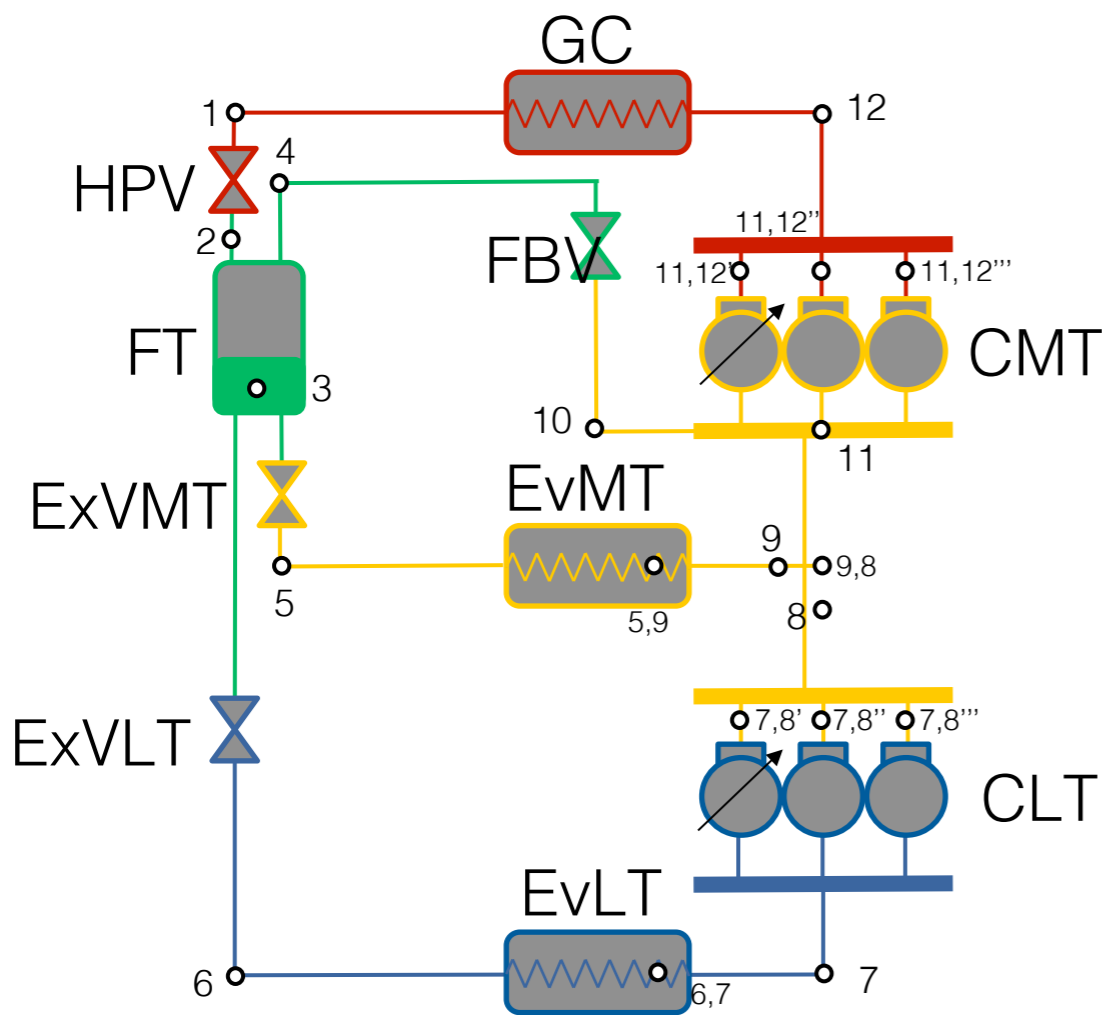
- booster system with FGB
- booster system with parallel compression

In both configurations, possibility to recover part of heat rejected at condenser/gas-cooler for sanitary hot water production and space heating is considered.

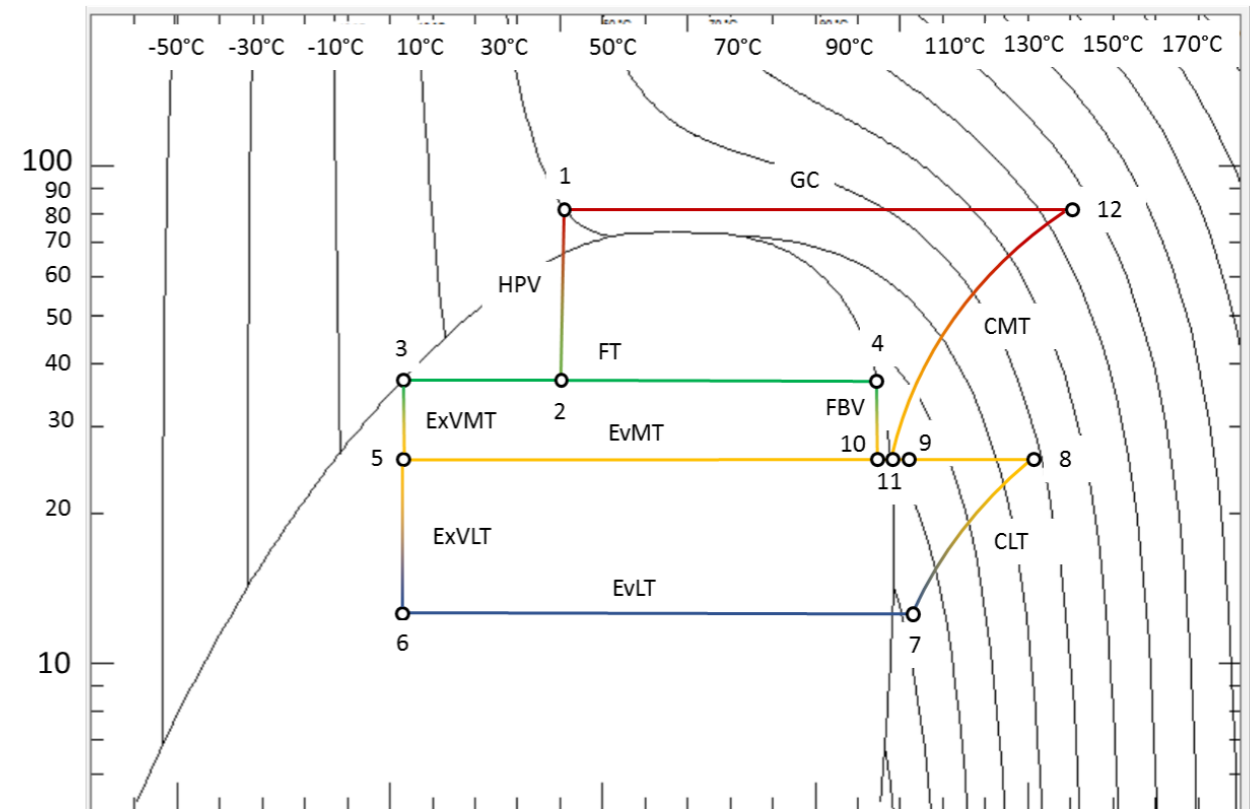
A theoretical analysis of system cycles is carried out where boundary conditions and compressor efficiencies are based on field-measurements of existing systems .

SYSTEM DESCRIPTION – P&I AND p-h DIAGRAMS

CO₂ transcritical booster system with Flash Gas By-pass (FGB)

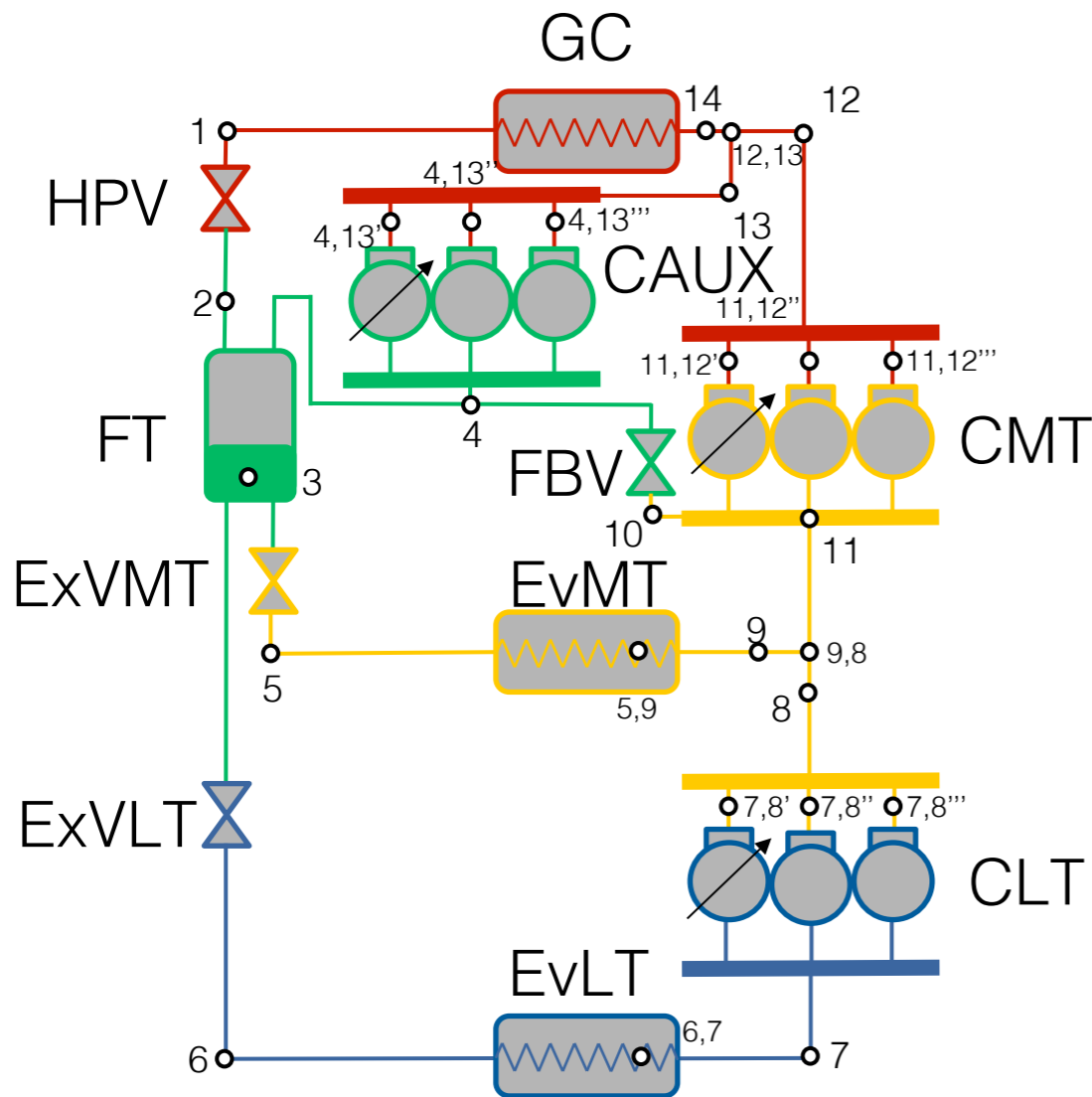


- High pressure section
- Intermediate pressure section
- Medium pressure section
- Low pressure section

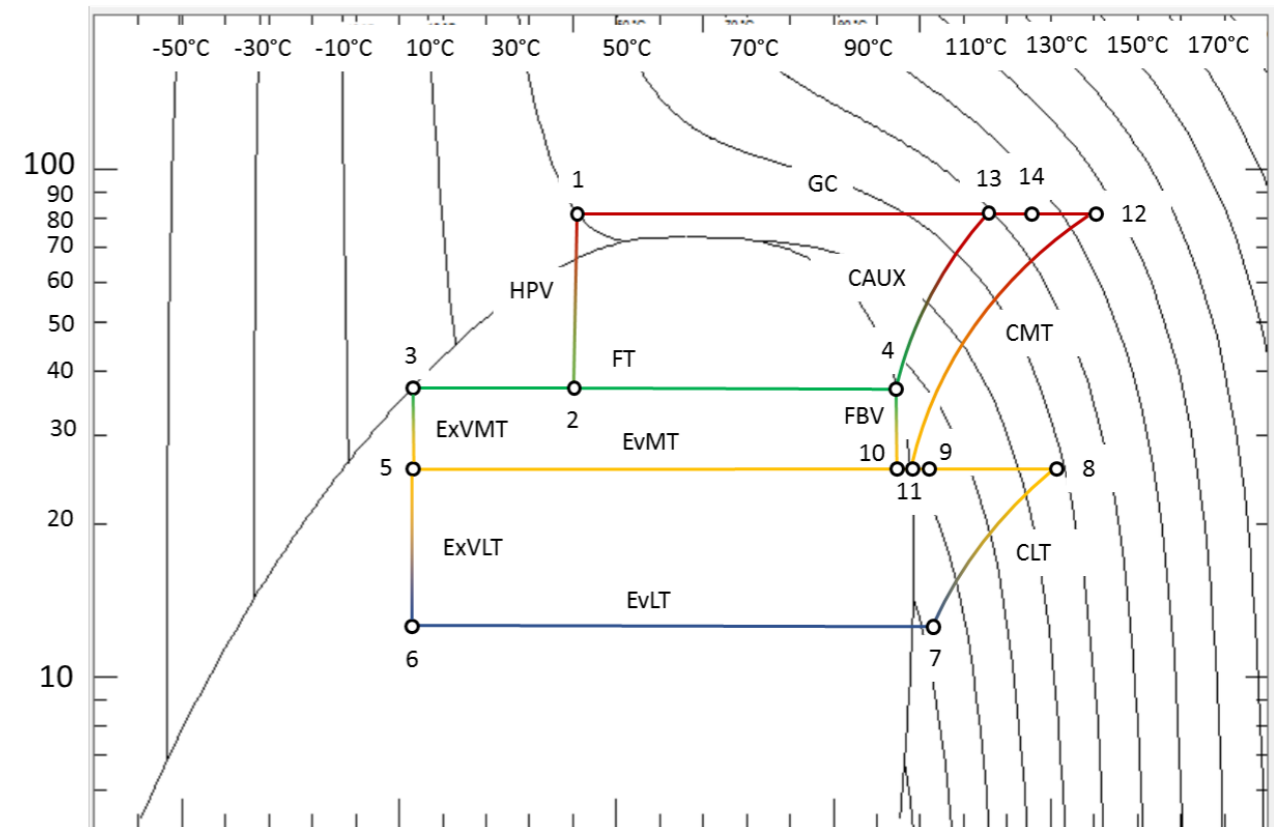


SYSTEM DESCRIPTION – P&I AND p-h DIAGRAMS

CO₂ transcritical booster system with FGB and parallel compression (FGB+ECO)



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MODEL DESCRIPTION : LOCATIONS

Simulations for three cities,
representing three weather
conditions:

- Beijing
- Shanghai
- Guangzhou

Chinese Standard Weather Database

Database developed by Dr. Jiang Yi,
Department of Building Science and
Technology at Tsinghua University
and China Meteorological Bureau.



MODEL DESCRIPTION : MODEL PARAMETERS

A steady-state model of refrigeration cycle is developed in Matlab® to simulate hourly performance of four investigated solutions across a year. Compressors efficiency curves as well as working conditions assumptions for condenser/gas-cooler and evaporators are based on field-measurements of an existing supermarket refrigeration system.

MT Evaporators

Evaporation temperature [-7°C]

Useful superheating [5 K]

Pipe-superheating [-3 K ÷ 8 K]

MT Compressors

2x S15-12TK @ fixed speed

1x S15-12TK @ variable frequency [30 Hz ÷ 85 Hz]

LT Evaporators

Evaporation temperature [-32°C]

Useful superheating [5 K]

Pipe-superheating [9 K ÷ 20 K]

LT Compressors

2x A1.5-3SK3 @ fixed speed

1x A1.5-3SK3 @ variable frequency [30 Hz ÷ 85 Hz]

(with booster parallel compression)

2x A2-4SK3 @ fixed speed

1x A2-4SK3 @ variable frequency [30 Hz ÷ 85 Hz]

Flash Tank

Intermediate pressure (FT) [38 bar]

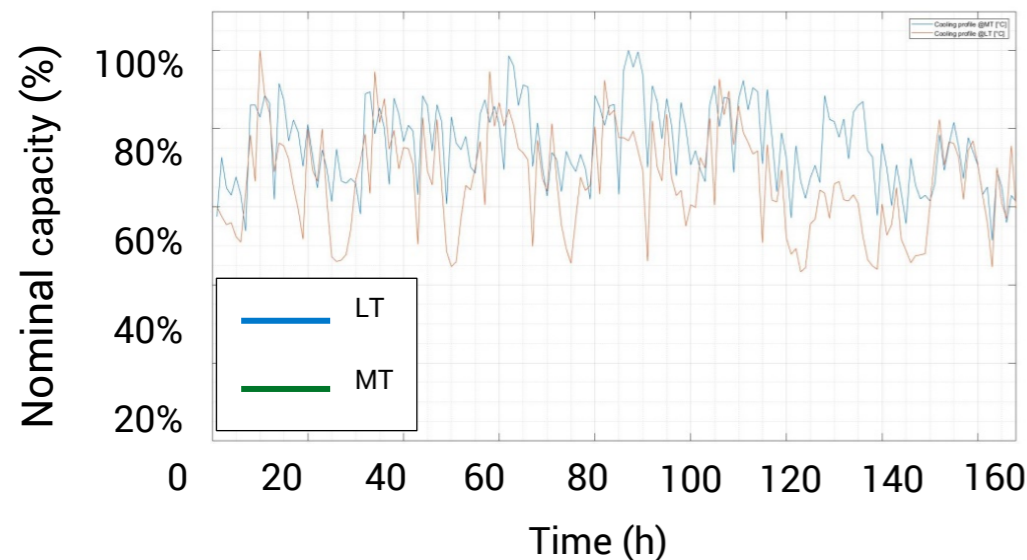
AUX Compressors

3x Q5-4TK @ fixed speed

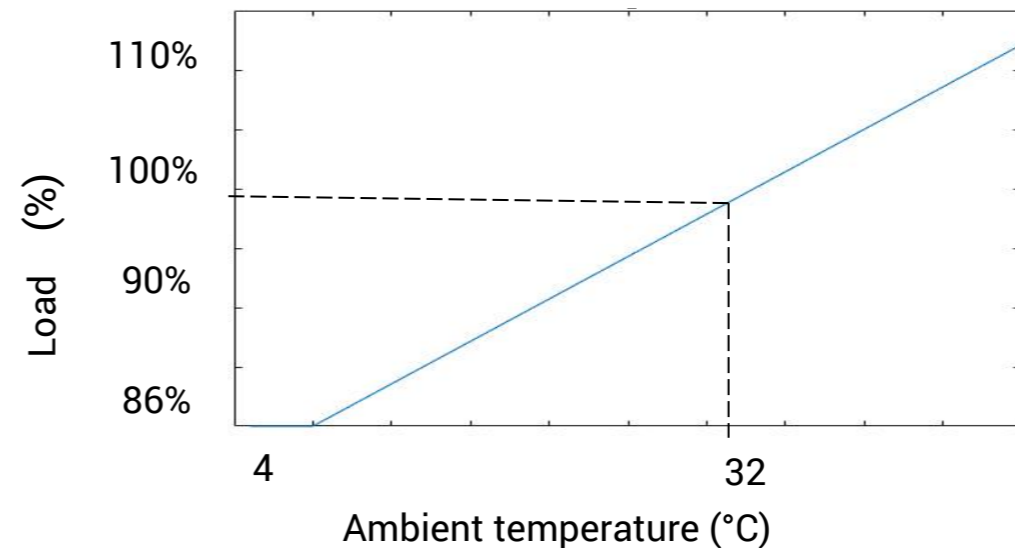
1x Q5-4TK @ variable frequency [30 Hz ÷ 85 Hz]

MODEL DESCRIPTION: LOADS CORRECTION

Weekly cooling capacity profile



Ambient temperature



Pack Calculation Pro, IPU, v 4.20 (2017)

Hourly cooling load fraction is corrected by 0,5% for each Kelvin of difference in external air from its design value (32°C) and for external temperature lower than 4°C correction factor is considered at constant value of 0.86.

Heat recovery

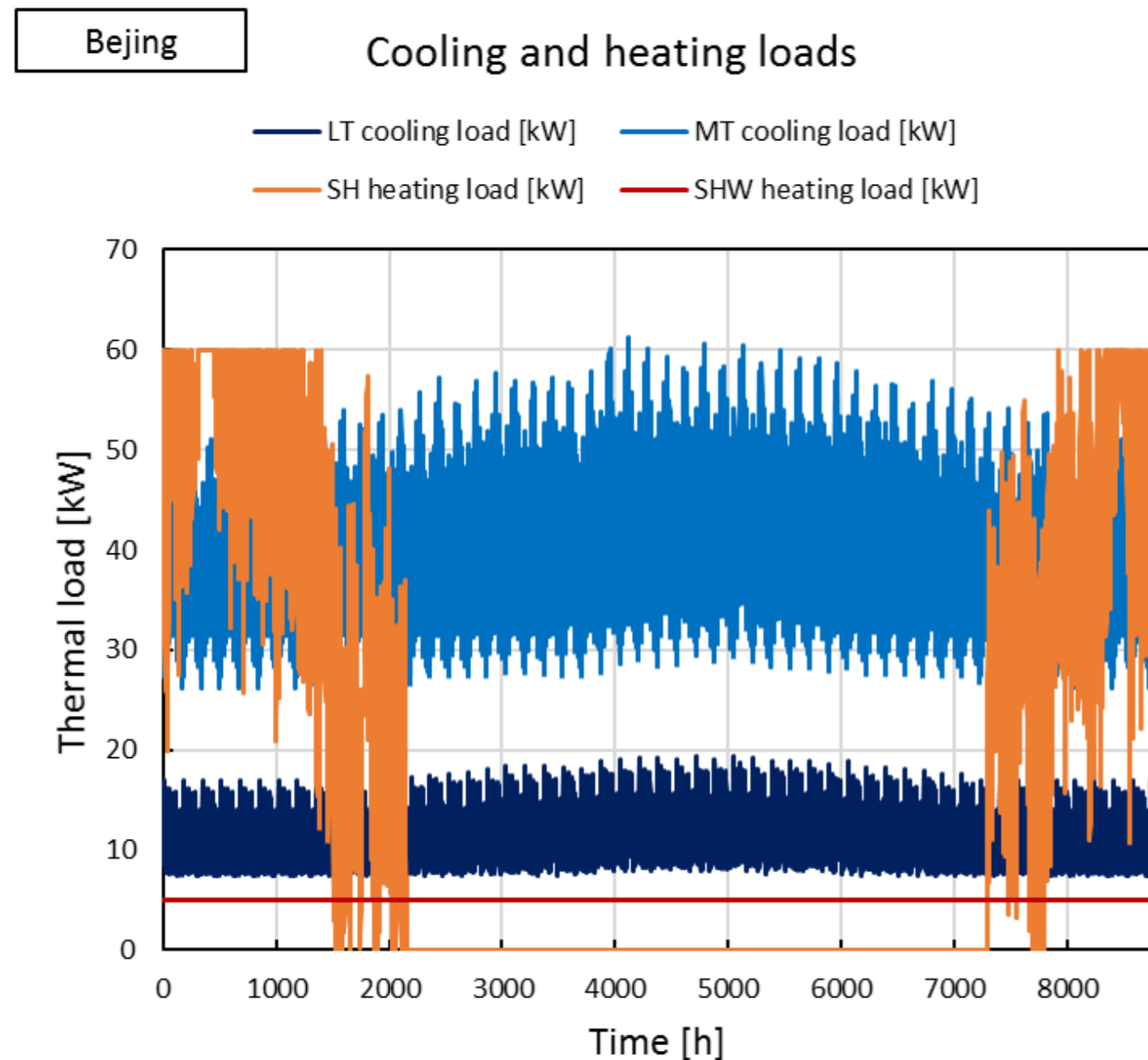
Sanitary hot water production (SHW):

Constant heating load

$Q_{n,SHW} = 5 \text{ kW}$

CO₂ temperature above 55°C

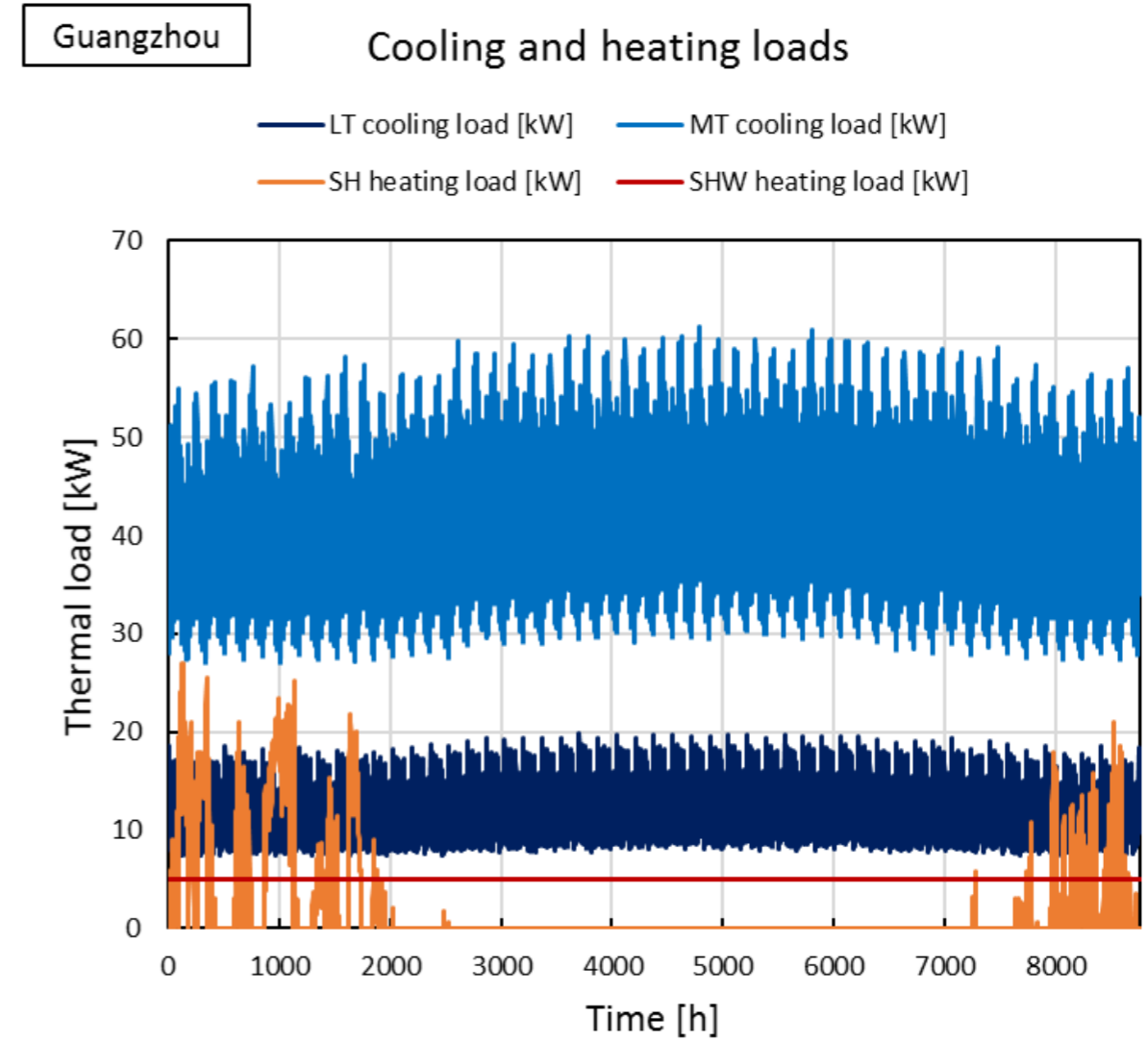
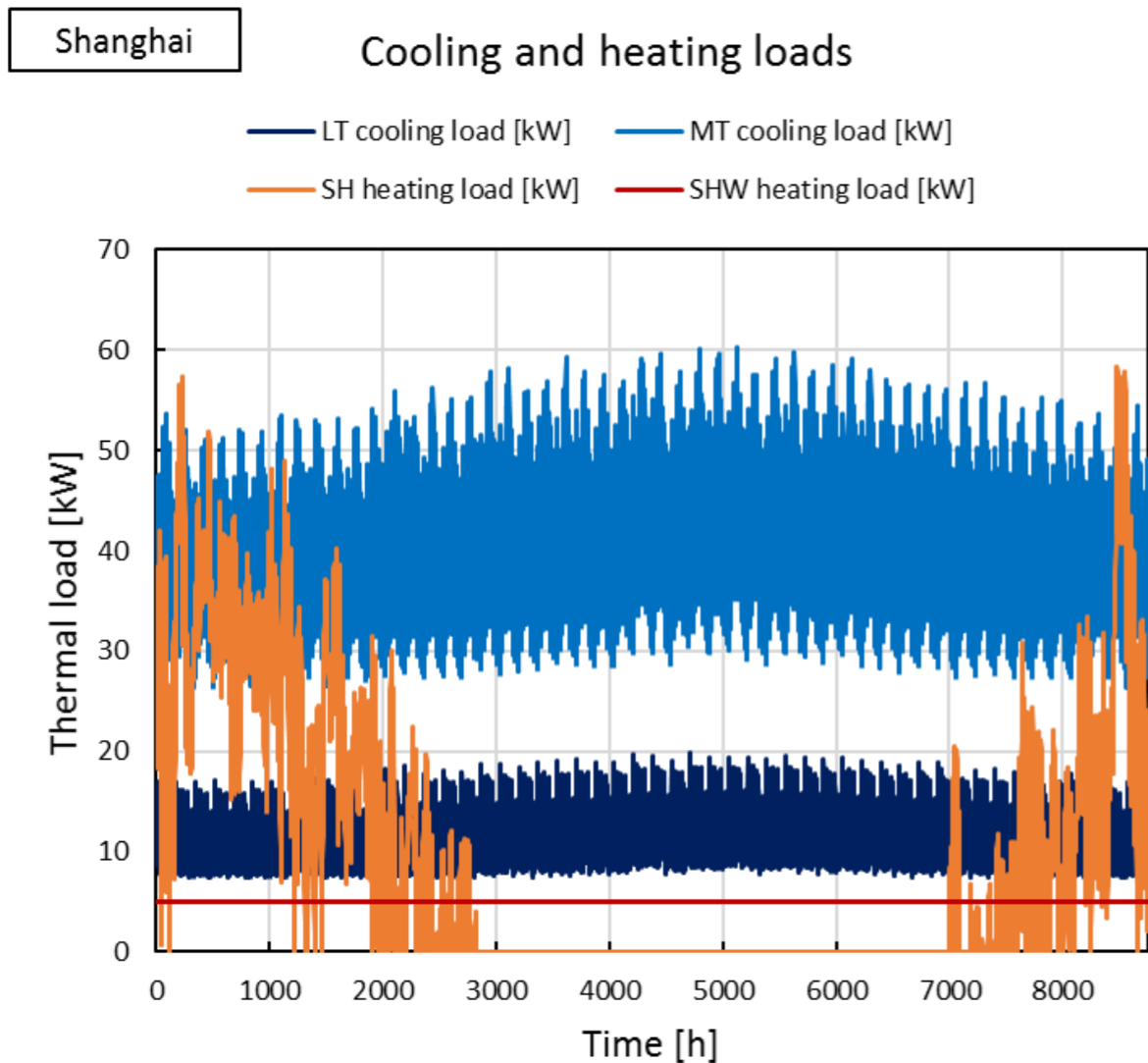
MODEL DESCRIPTION : COOLING AND HEATING LOADS



Cooling and heating loads are considered over a full year after model correction depending on climate zone.

Heating load for Sanitary Hot Water Production is not influenced by ambient temperature

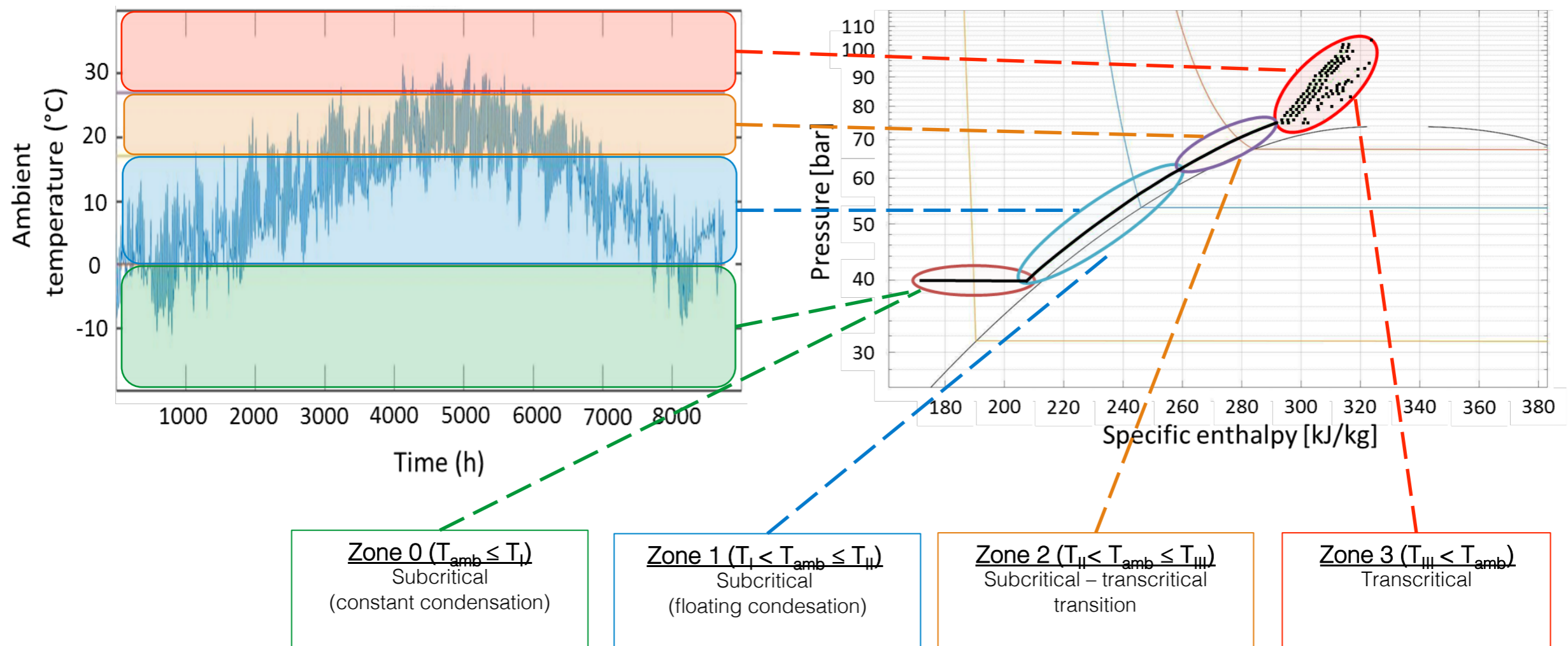
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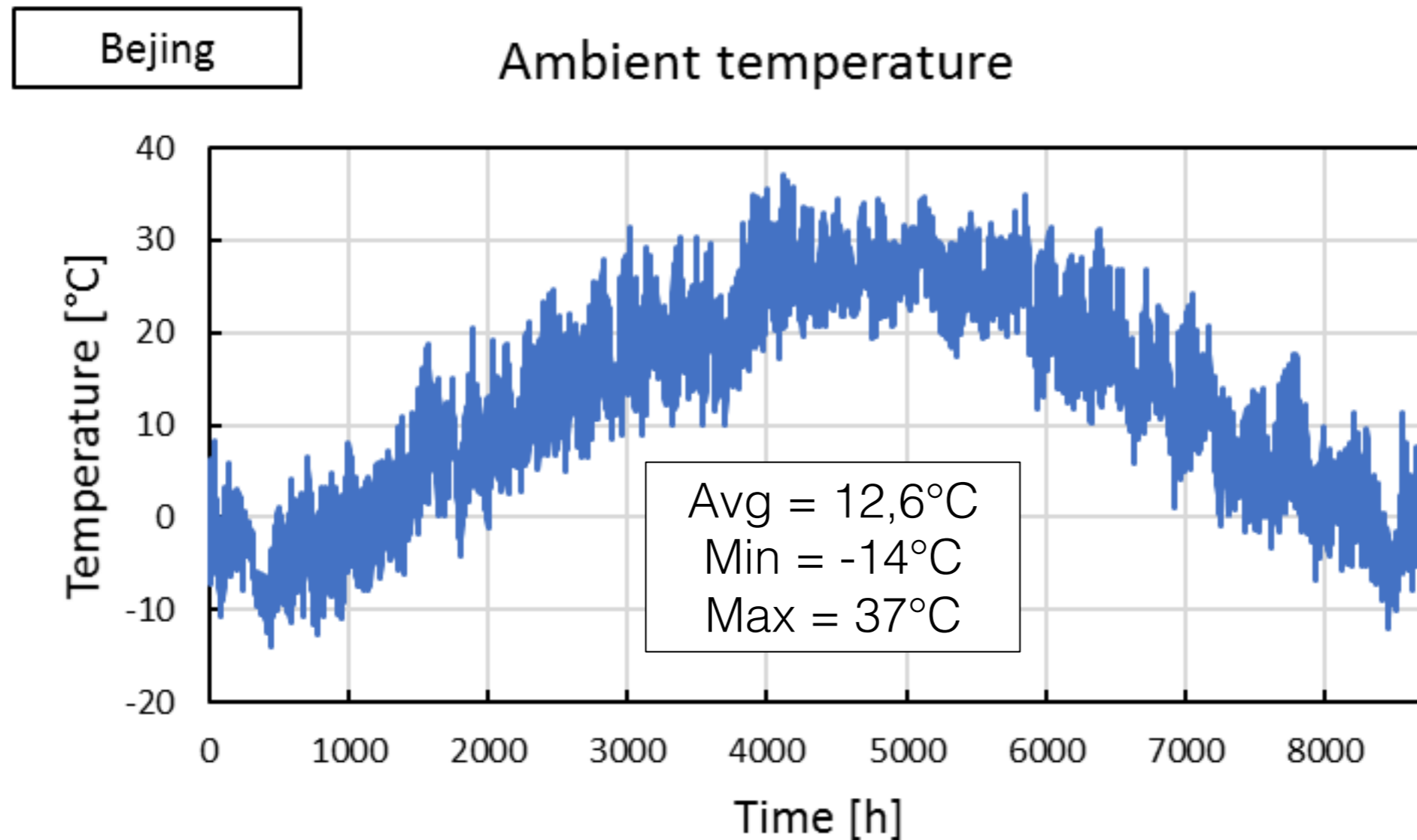
MODEL DESCRIPTION: HP CONTROL STRATEGY

Gas cooler/condenser

- Control zones depend on the approach point temperature difference at the Gas Cooler
- Transition region crossing boundaries between zones



MODEL DESCRIPTION: TEMPERATURE PROFILE

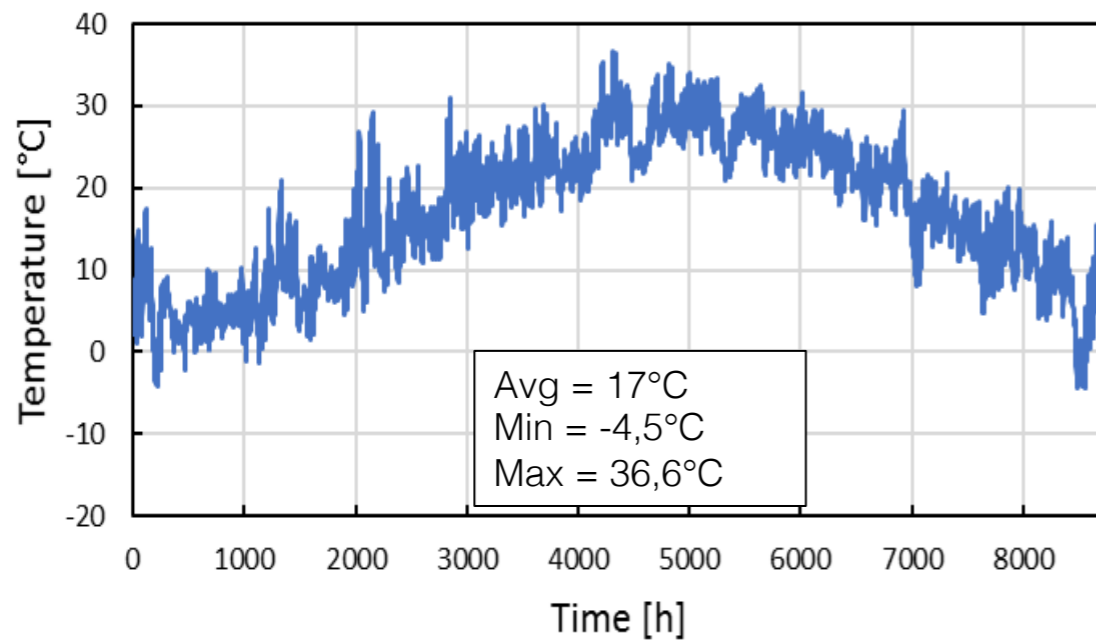


Temperature profile during year 2017 in Beijing, Shanghai and Guangzhou

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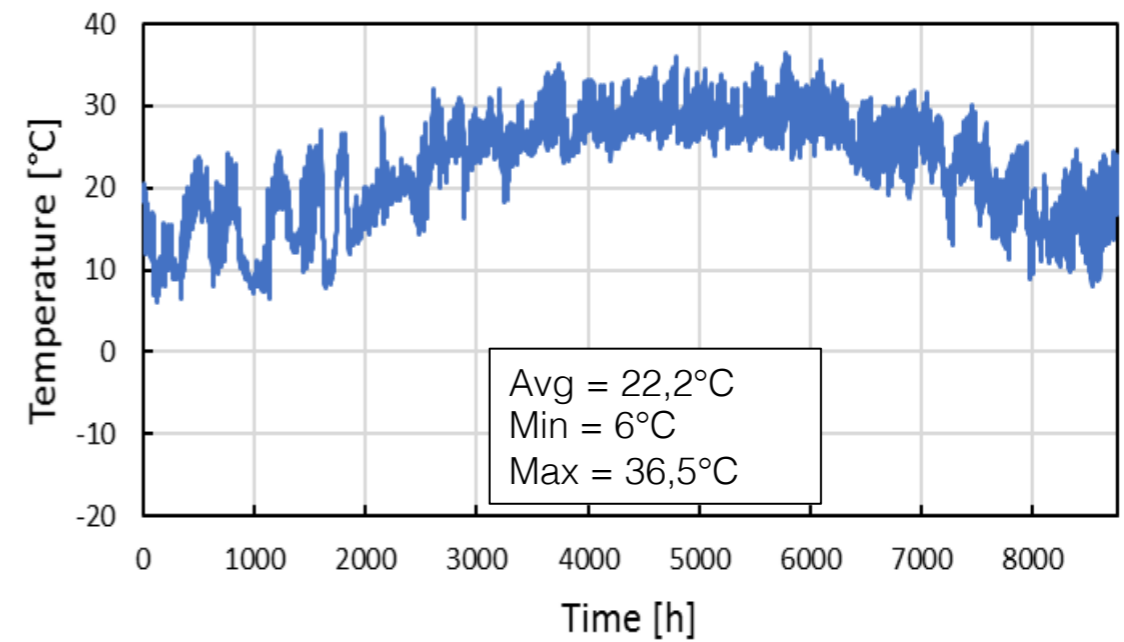
Shanghai

Ambient temperature

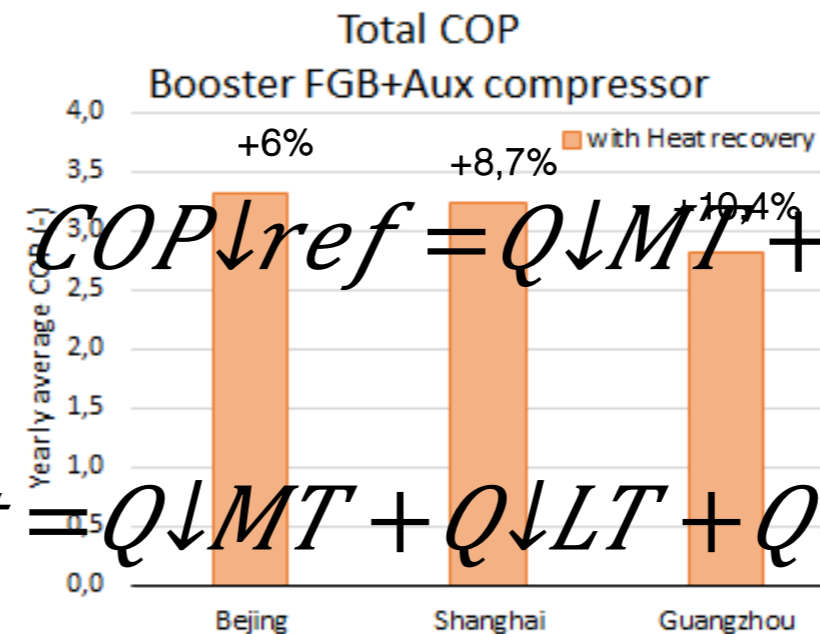
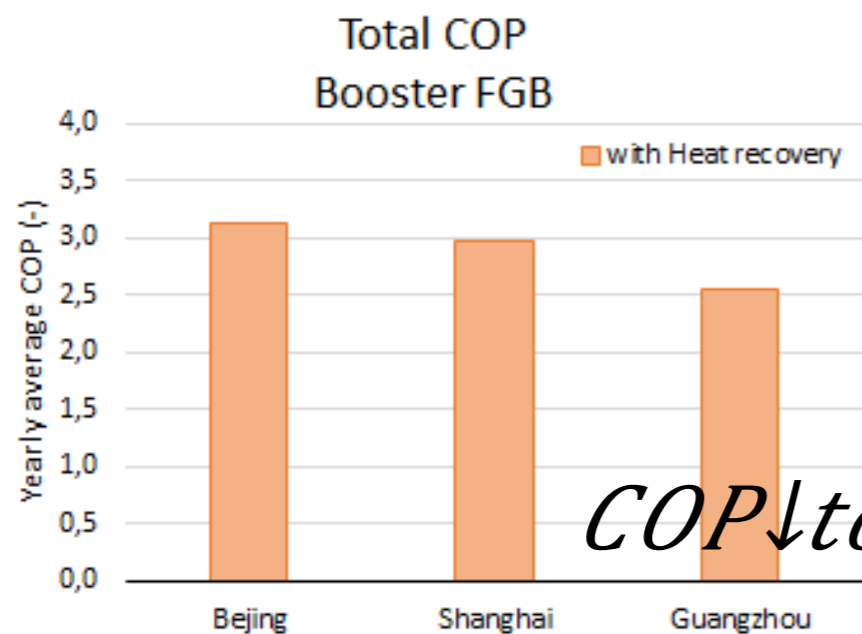
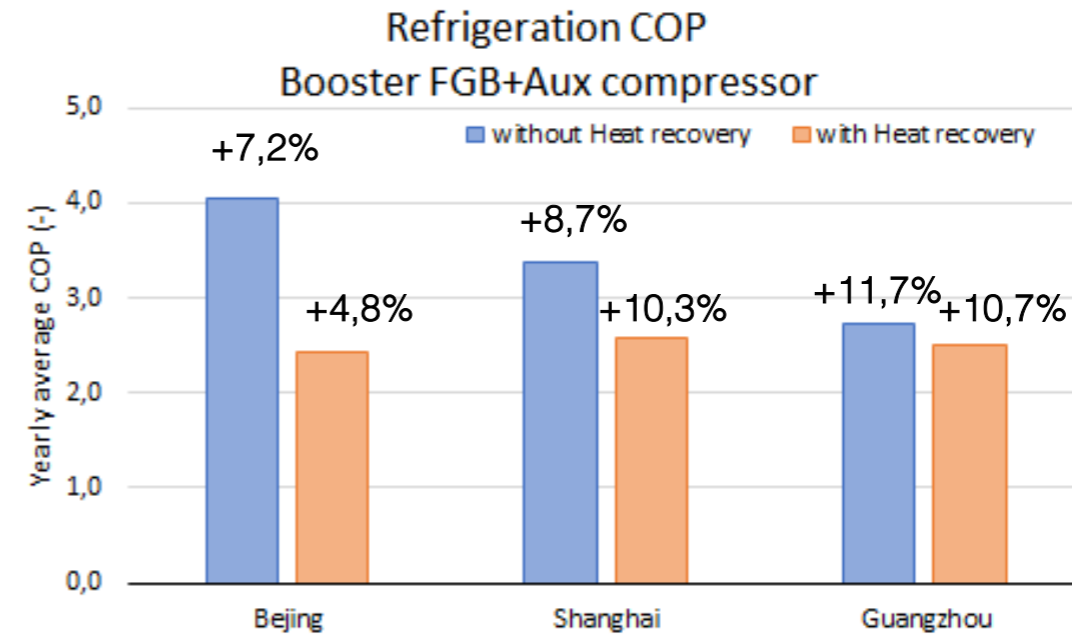
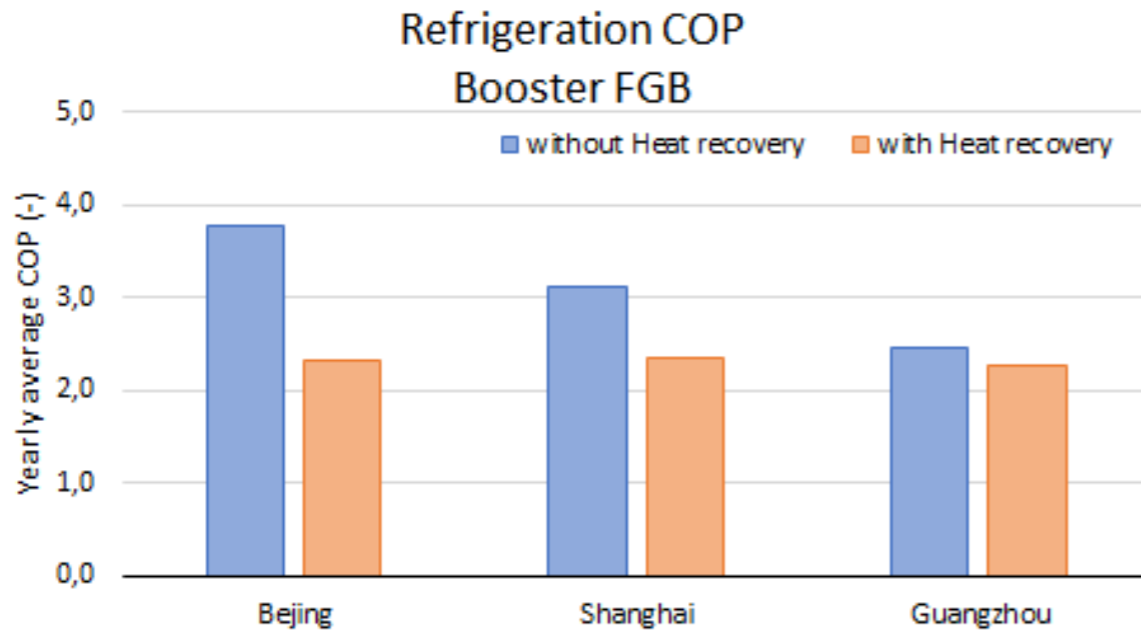


Guangzhou

Ambient temperature



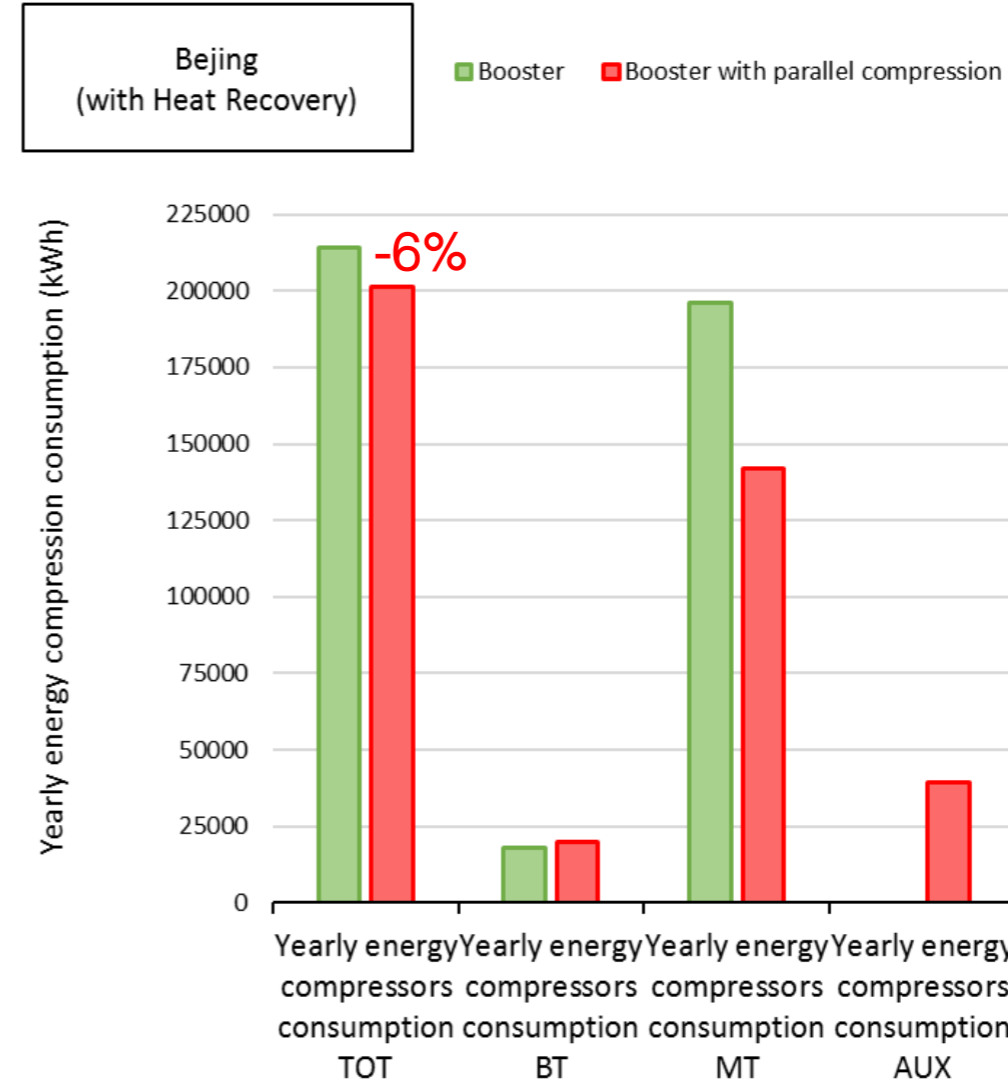
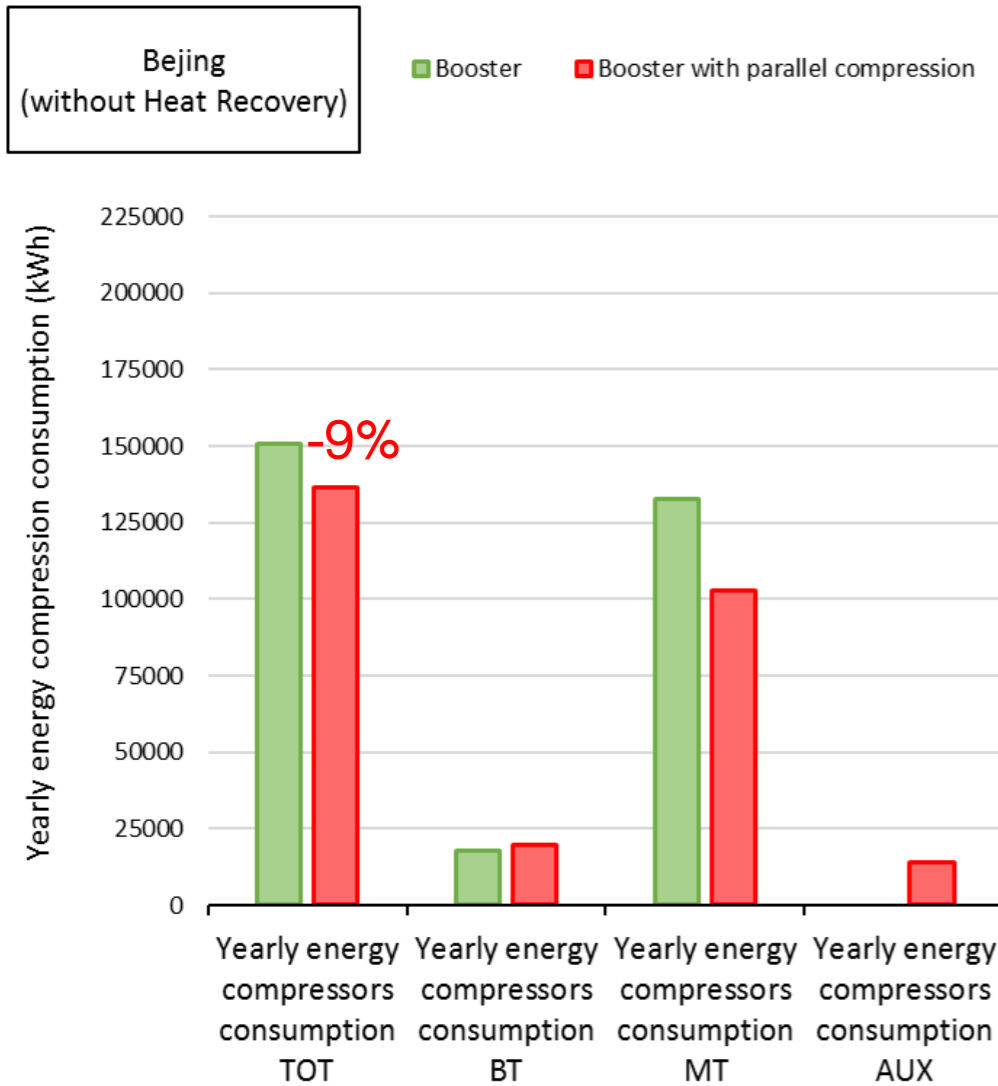
RESULTS : YEARLY AVERAGE COP



$$COP_{ref} = \frac{Q_{MT} + Q_{LT}}{W_{CMT} + W_{CMT}}$$

$$COP_{tot} = \frac{Q_{MT} + Q_{LT} + Q_{SH} + Q_{SHW}}{W_{CMT} + W_{CMT}}$$

RESULTS YEARLY ENERGY COMPRESSORS CONSUMPTION



COST SAVING

Without heat recovery

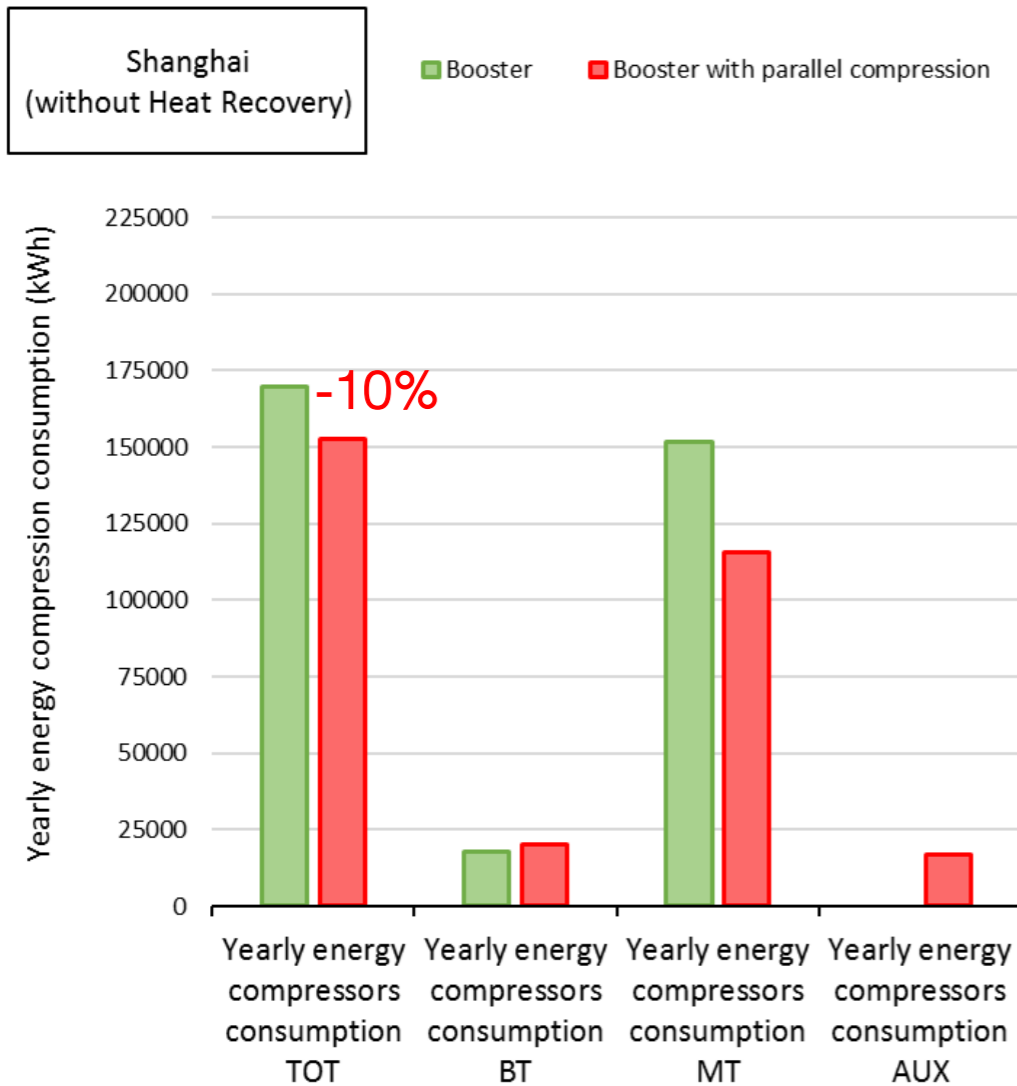
FGB vs ECO 14280 kWh x 0.11 €/kWh ≈ 1600 €/year

COST SAVING

With heat recovery

FGB vs ECO 13040 kWh x 0.11 €/kWh ≈ 1400 €/year

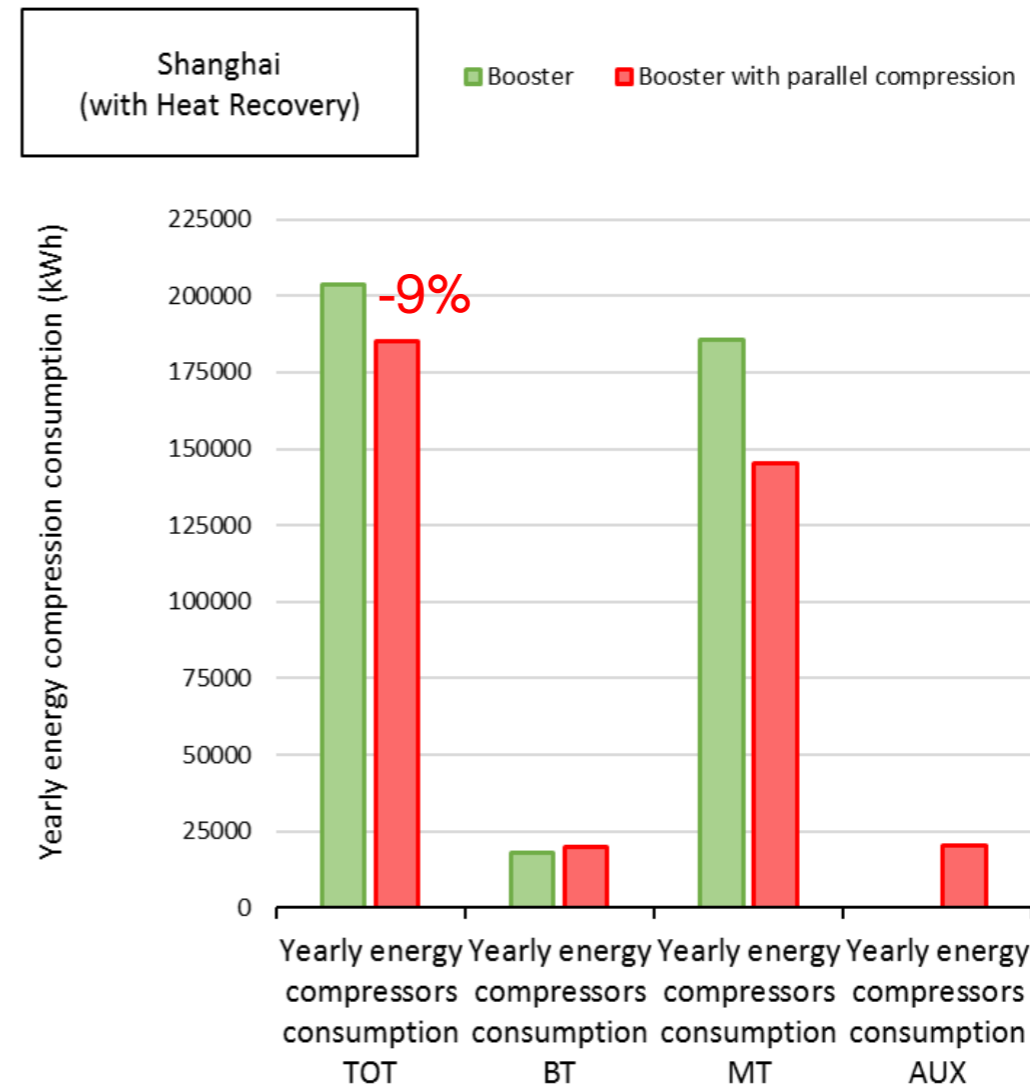
RESULTS YEARLY ENERGY COMPRESSORS CONSUMPTION



COST SAVING

Without heat recovery

FGB vs ECO 17020 kWh x 0.11 €/kWh ≈ 1900 €/year

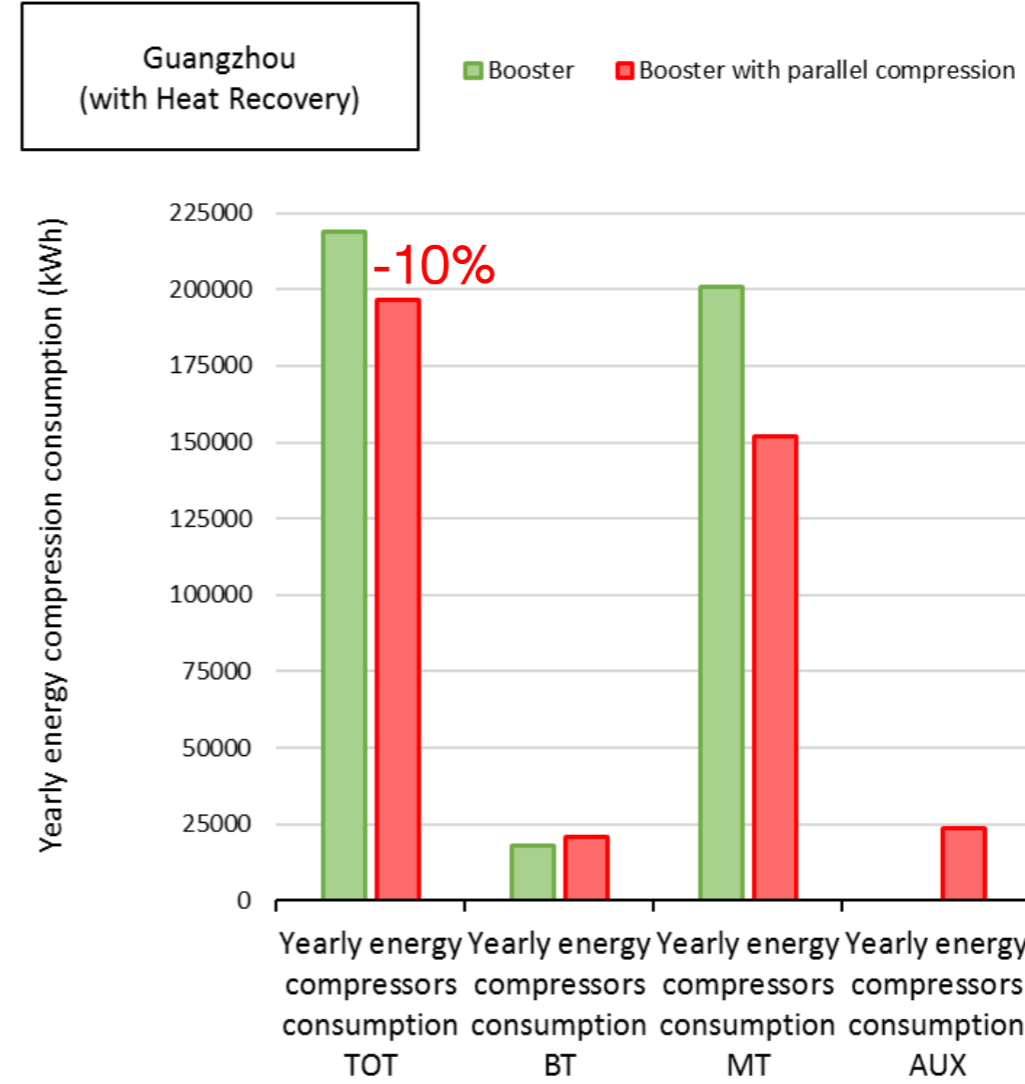
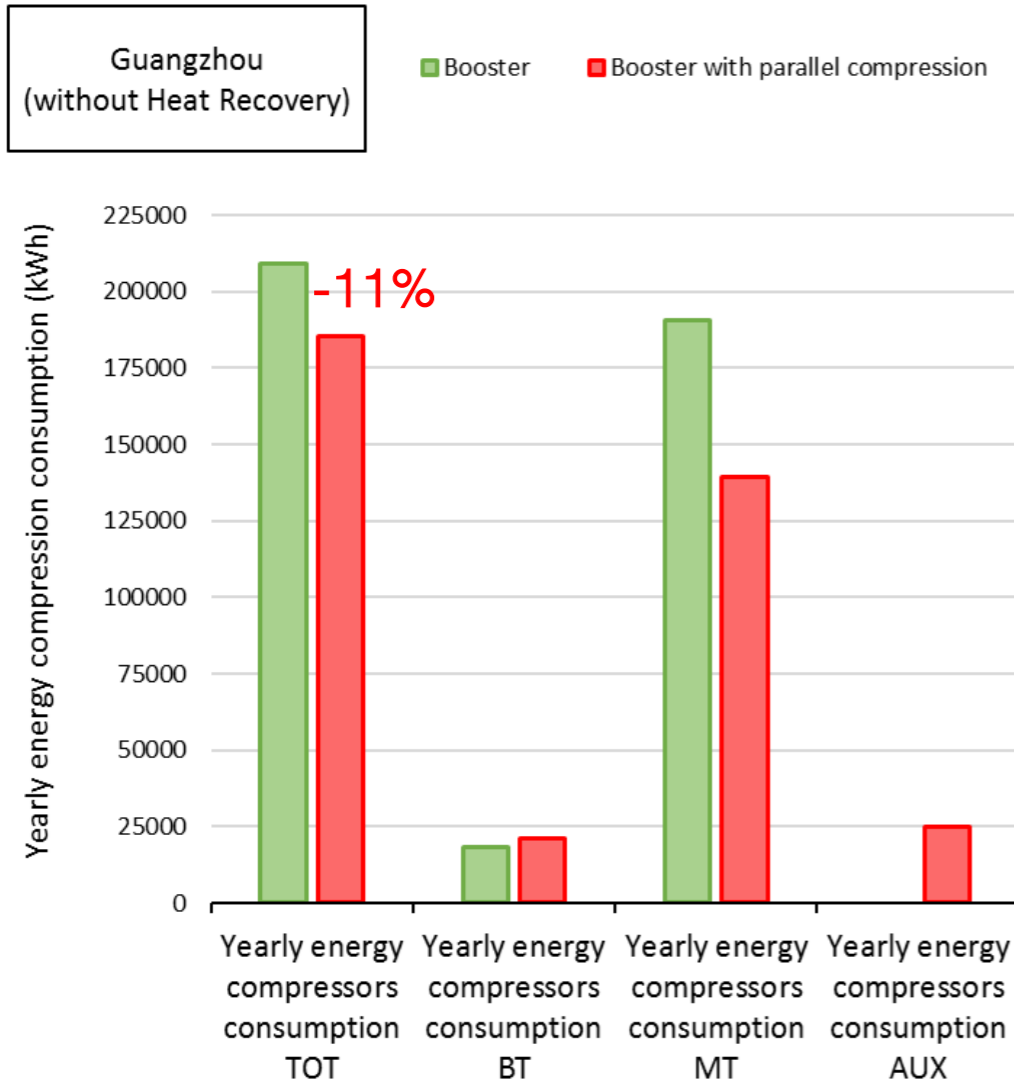


COST SAVING

With heat recovery

FGB vs ECO 18410 kWh x 0.11 €/kWh ≈ 2000 €/year

RESULTS YEARLY ENERGY COMPRESSORS CONSUMPTION



COST SAVING

Without heat recovery

FGB vs ECO 23720 kWh x 0.11 €/kWh ≈ 2600 €/year

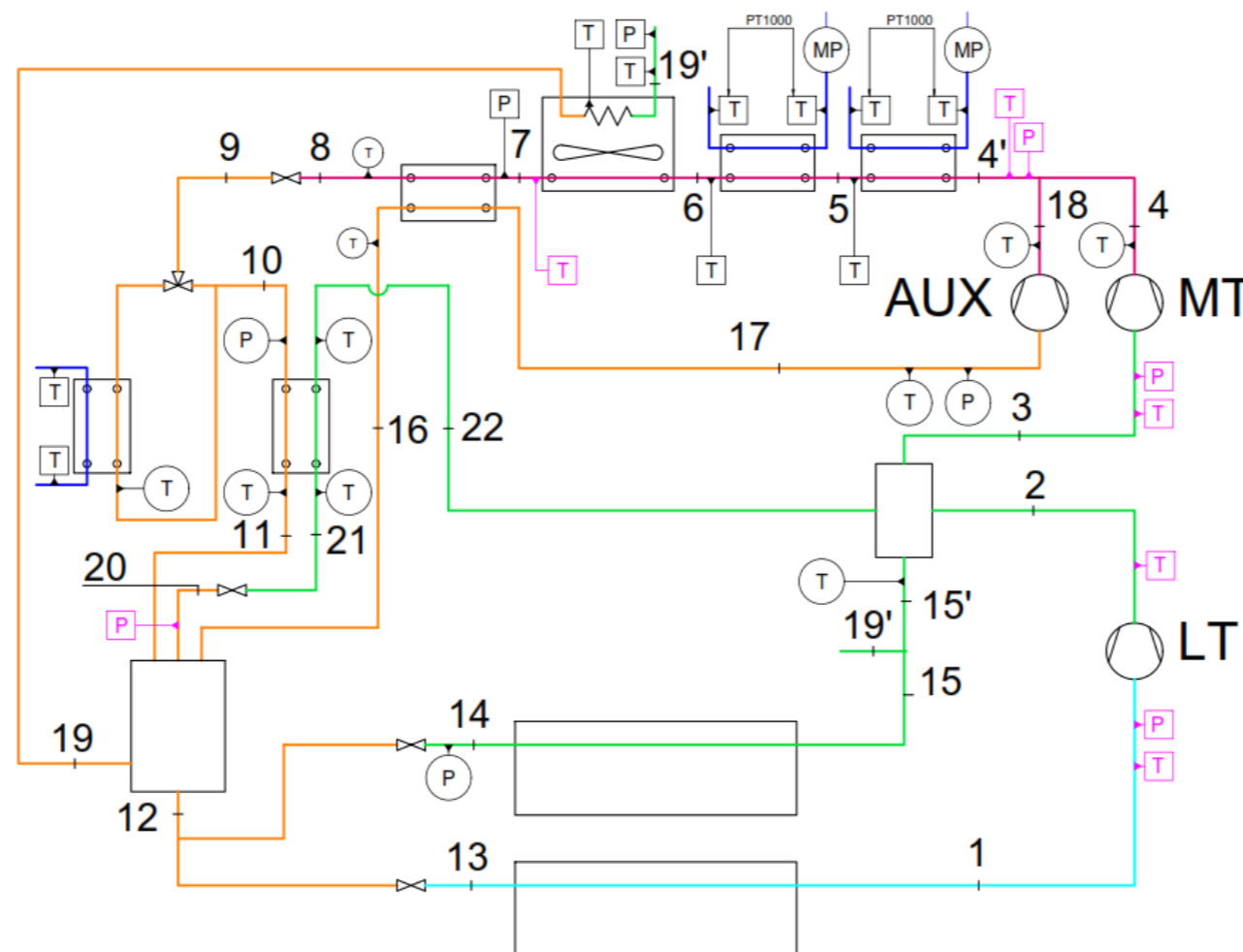
COST SAVING

With heat recovery

FGB vs ECO 22330 kWh x 0.11 €/kWh ≈ 2500 €/year

NEXT STEPS

Model results will be validated by monitoring a real system where redundant laboratory instruments will be installed: flow meters, pressure and temperature gauges, current analyzers.



CONCLUSIONS

In order to select the most suitable CO₂ system in terms of cost and efficiency it is recommended to perform a yearly-based performance simulation considering temperature profile

In this study a comparison between transcritical booster cycle with Flash Gas Bypass (FGB) and FGB with parallel compression (FGB+ECO) in three cities of China has been analyzed

Use of auxiliary compressors to remove vapor from flash tank allows higher yearly performance. More extreme winter conditions (lower ambient temperatures in winter and higher in summer) -like those experienced in Beijing- require more heat recovery for space heating

Energy savings in compressor consumption are strongly dependent on the temperature profile of the location

The described method could be used as a reference guide for current evaluations from Chinese OEM looking at CO₂ technology for commercial refrigeration



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Thank you very much!

