
Advances in Housing Renovation



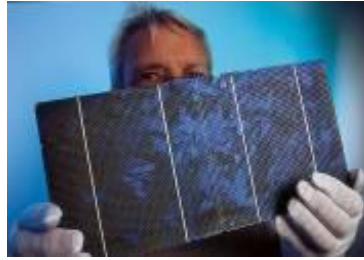
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Fraunhofer Institute for Solar Energy Systems ISE



- Located in Freiburg/Germany
- Main areas of business
 - Photovoltaics
 - Energy efficiency and renewable energy use in buildings
 - Solar thermal energy use
- Total staff 950
(~100 PhD-students, ~100 master students, ~350 regular staff)
- Budget ~ € 55 million (2009)
- Financing mainly based on 3rd party contracts (industry, public)

Subtask C: Analysis and Concepts

Objectives

- Evaluate the performance of advanced housing renovation projects, using performance characterization methods developed in SHC Task 28
- Assess the adaptability of new energy supply systems, including renewable energy systems, as part of comprehensive renovation packages
- Analyze new products and concepts for advanced housing renovations and provide manufacturers feedback to optimize products
- Develop and publicize optimized renovation concept packages

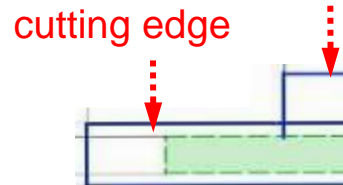
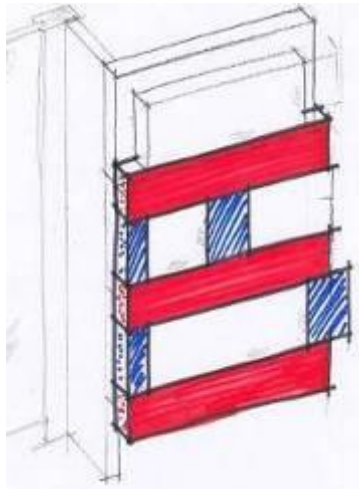
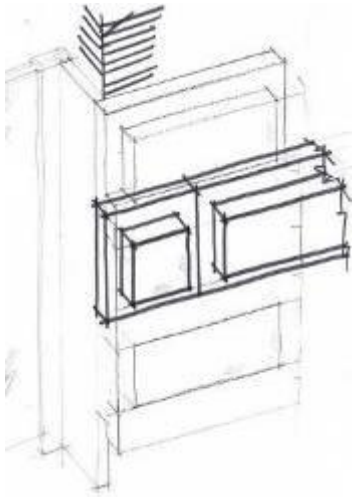
Outline

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- Design Concepts & Process
- Analysis of building renovation projects
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Vacuum insulation system

New Insulation technologies



source: Fraunhofer ISE, D

- New development with industrial partner (Maxit; Maxit LockPlate®)
- Required insulation thickness reduced by a factor of 3
- Recently introduced into the market

Spray insulation system

New Insulation technologies

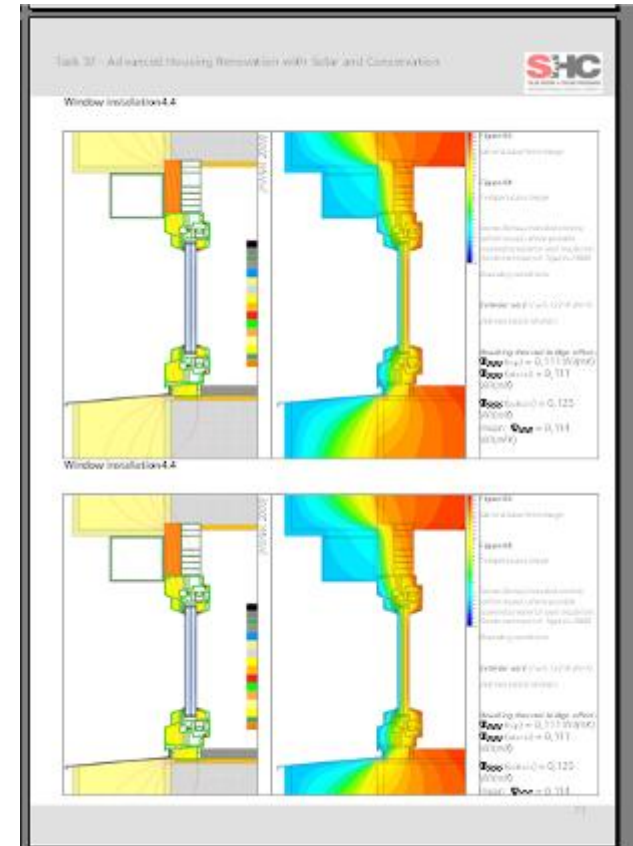


source: TU Graz, Austria

- Internal insulation for historic building
- Based on recycled materials
- Relatively low water vapour diffusion resistance factor (μ) of 6 [-]
- Capillary-active and open-diffusion internal insulation system

Development of a heat bridge catalogue for retrofit specific issues

- Window integration
- Balconies
- Combination of unheated basement and heated ground floor
- Published in Final Report of Subtask C

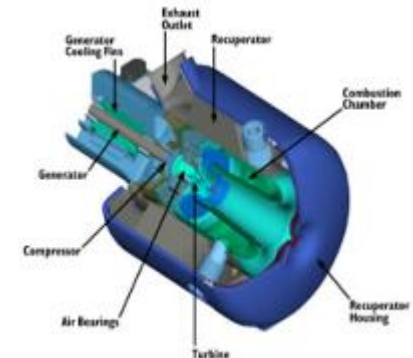


Efficient energy transformation

Trends

Use the exergy content of energy:

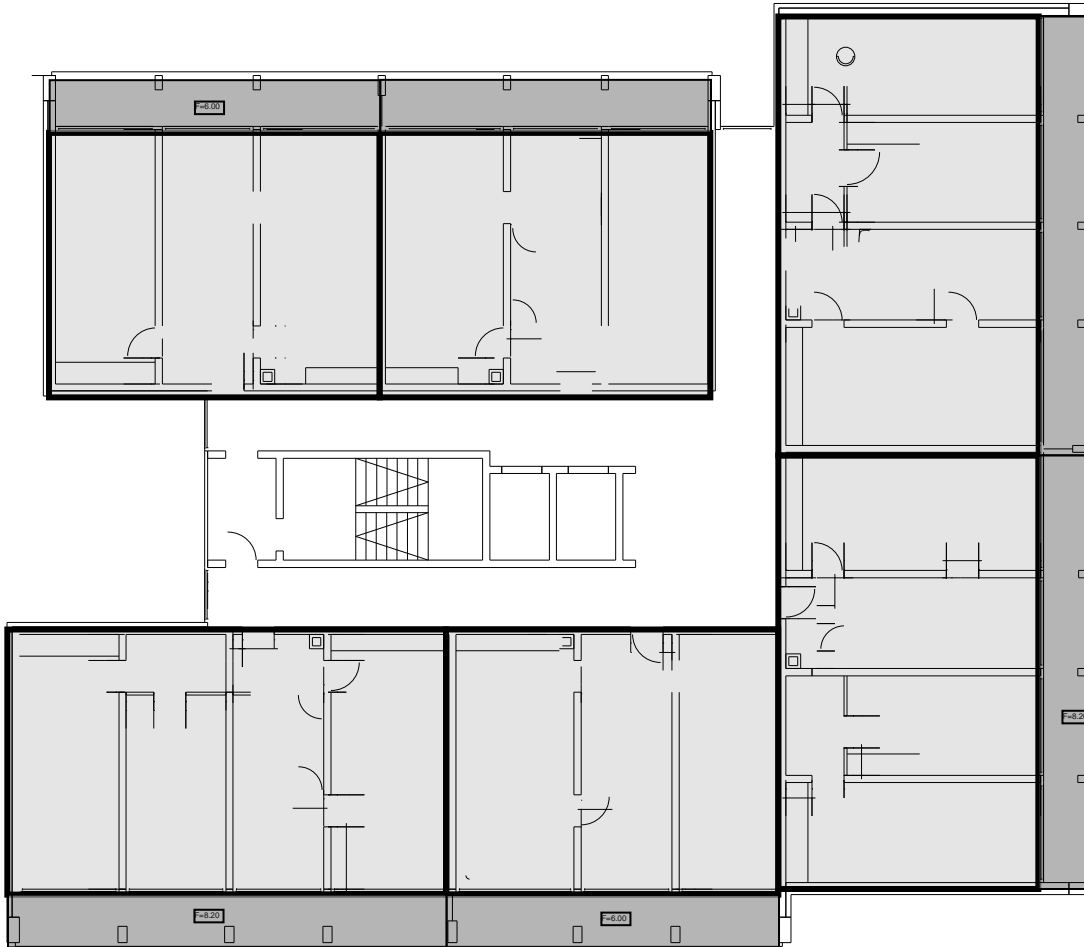
- Combined heat and power (CHP) for any type of fuel (fossil, biomass)
- Heat pumps for use of electricity for heating application
- Minimized temperature differences between room and heat transfer fluid (heating, cooling) → low-exergy heating and cooling (LowEx)



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Restructuring of Floor Plans

Existing floor plan



Example: Buggingerstr. 50, Freiburg, D

Restructuring of Floor Plans

Increased areas, smaller flats



Prepared In all Aspects for Future The PIAF Methodology

(developed by ECN, the Netherlands)

The developments that are considered in this methodology are:

- Developments with implications on security of supply of energy
- Price developments of energy
- Technological developments (either resulting in new technologies and/or improved existing technologies) and cost development

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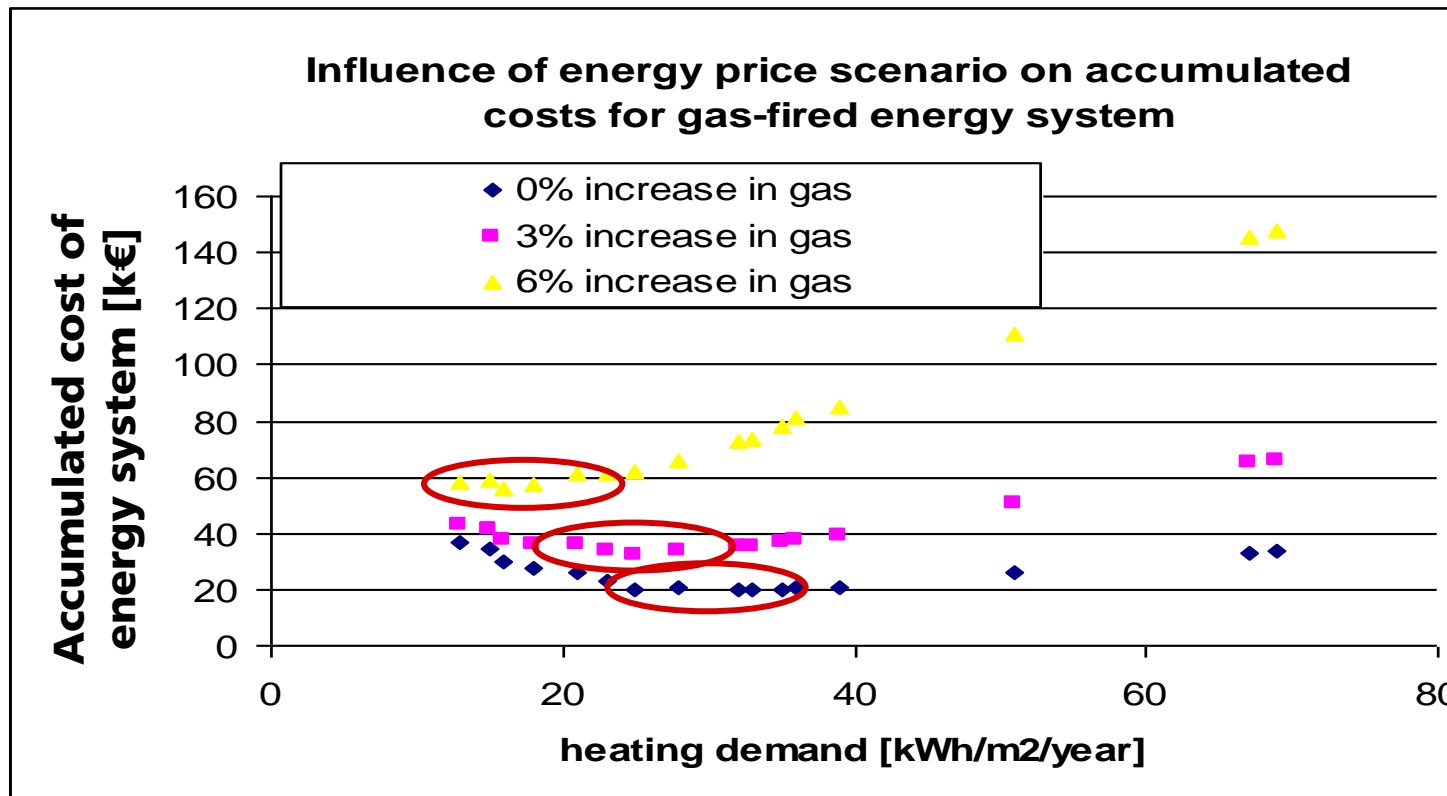
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- Four step procedure:
- Set an energy target for the building, to be reached at the next natural renovation cycle, i.e. the replacement of the HVAC system.
- Determine the optimal HVAC system to put in place at that moment in time, composed from the best available technology (in terms of cost-performance ratio, taking into account the effect of energy price developments).
- Determine the optimal building skin (in terms of cost-performance ratio, taking into account the effect of energy price developments) associated with the HVAC system resulting from 2.
- Determine the optimal HVAC system (in terms of cost-performance ratio, **taking into account the effect of energy price developments and impact of necessary alterations to the system of step 2** in the future) for the time until the next natural renovation cycle

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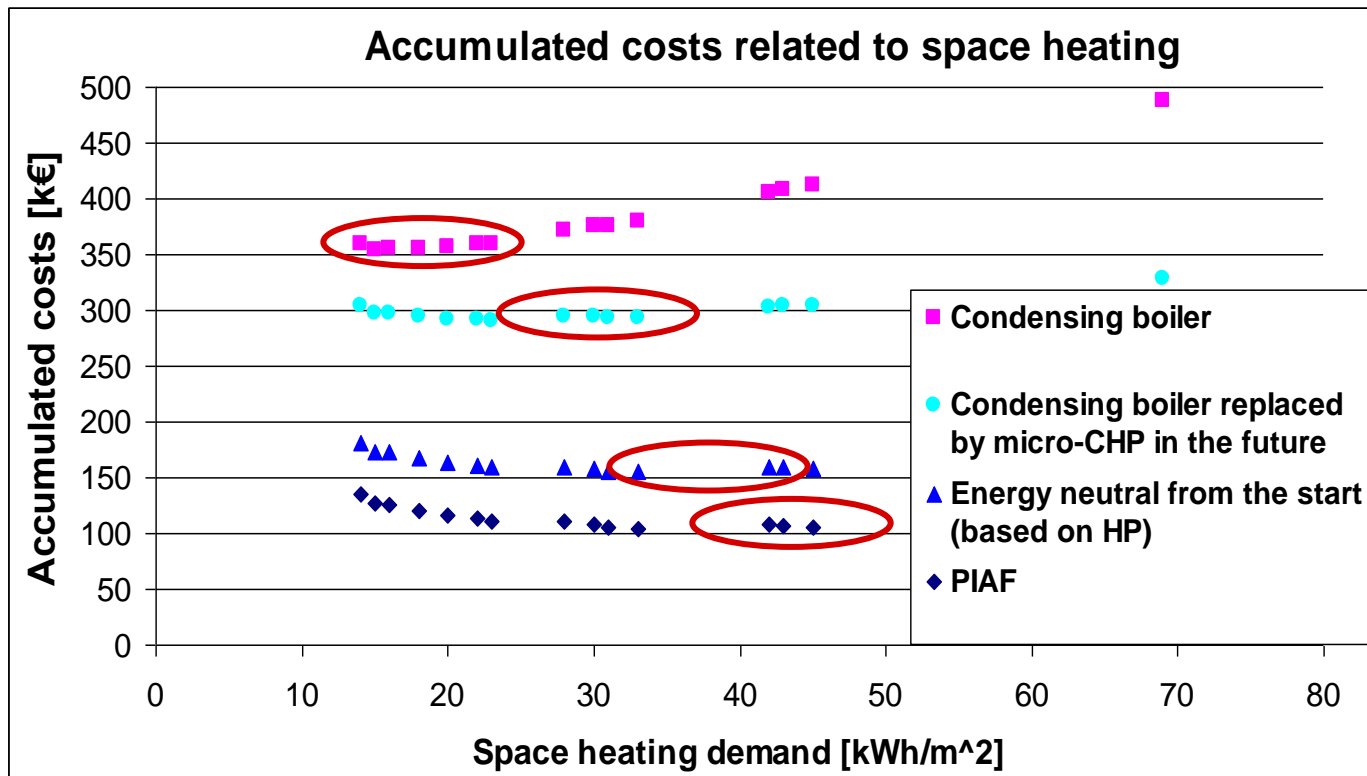
Example: Energy supply for a single family house



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Users participation

Examples from Austria

- Participation of users in various phases of the design process is an important success factor for advanced housing renovation



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Retrofit Projects I

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**protected
façade**

Roter Block, Freiburg

Owner: Freiburger Stadtbau GmbH

Architecture: Huller, Banzhaf + Partner

BT / Energy Concept: Fischer / Stahl + Weiß



**passivhouse
renovation**

Tevesstrasse, Frankfurt

Owner: AGB Frankfurt

Architecture: Grenz / Rasch

BT / Energy Concept: Baumgartner / PHI



**passivhouse
renovation**

Hoheloochstrasse, Ludwigshafen

Owner: GAG Ludwigshafen

BT / Energy Concept : PHI



**Vacuum-
insulation**

Guter Hirte, Ulm

Owner: Kath. Gemeinde Bofingen

Energy Concept : IBP

Retrofit Projects II

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**„KfW40“
„KfW60“**

Rislerstrasse, Freiburg

Owner : Freiburger Stadtbau GmbH

Architecture: B. Thoma – G. Henninger-Thoma

BT / Energy Concept : Lenz / Stahl + Weiß



**„Zero“-
House**

Blaue Heimat, Heidelberg

Owner : GGH- Heidelberg

Architecture: J. Gerstner, Heidelberg

BT / Energy Concept : solares bauen GmbH



3L- House

Freyastrasse, Mannheim

Owner : GBG – Mannheimer

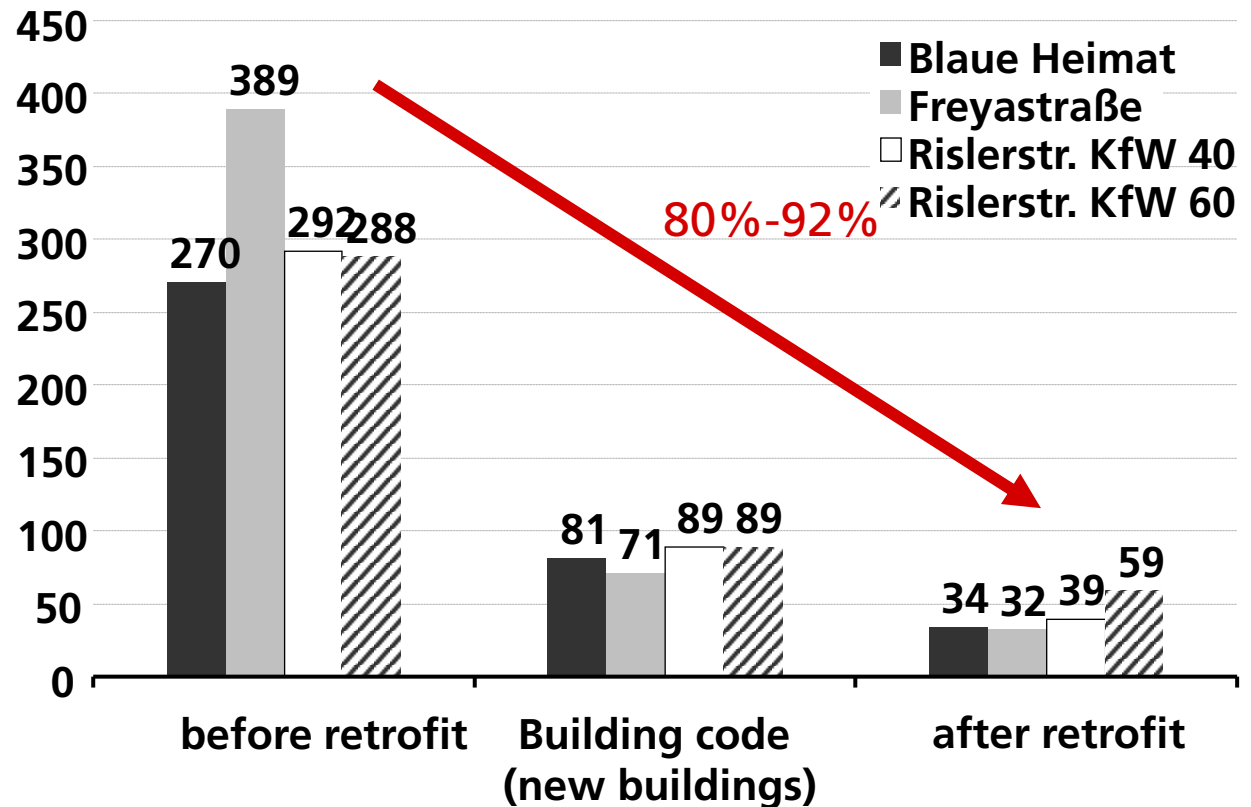
Wohnungsbaugesellschaft mbH

Energy Concept: IBP / IGE

Key Data - Energy Design

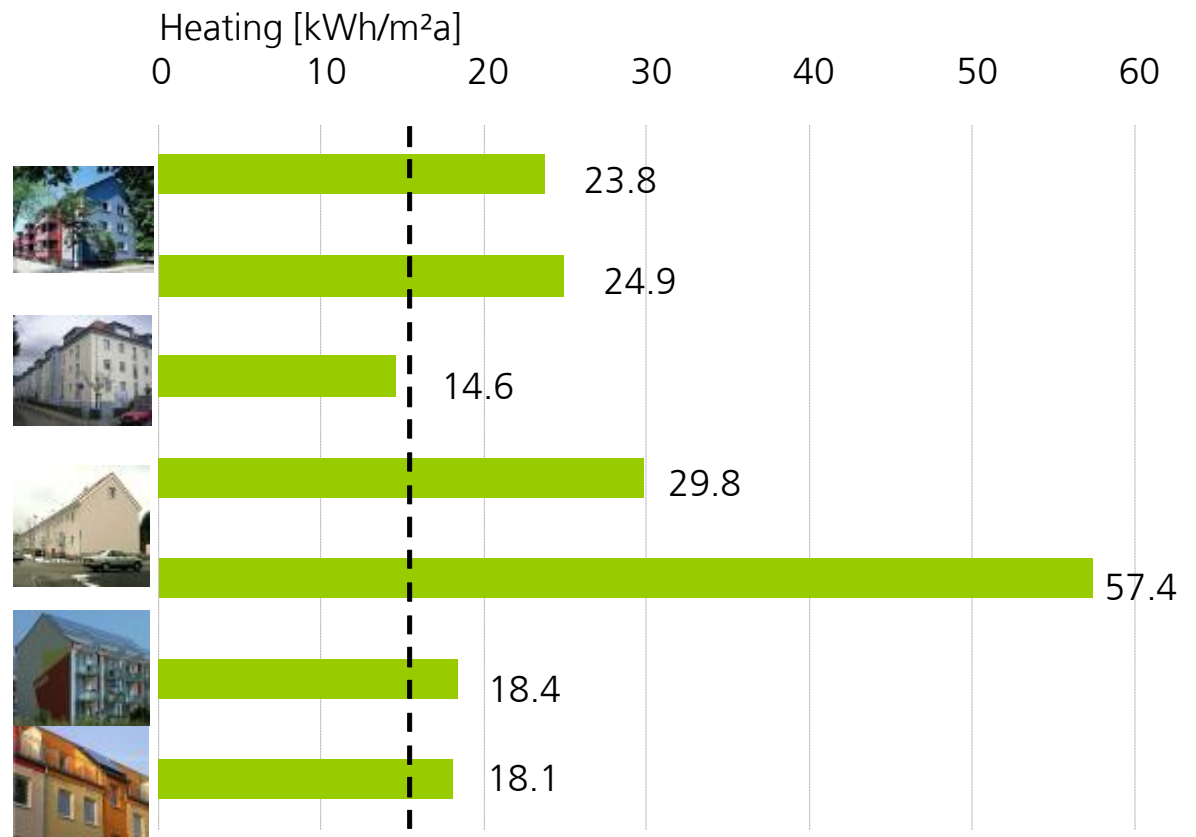
- Blaue Heimat:
Reduction 84%
(KfW 40/ „Zero“)
- Freyastrasse:
Reduction 92%
- Riserstrasse 1-5:
Reduction 87%
(KfW 40)
- Riserstrasse 7-13:
Reduction 80%
(KfW 60)

Primary energy demand acc. EnEV [kWh/m²ANa]



Cross Analysis: measured heating energy [kWh/m²year]

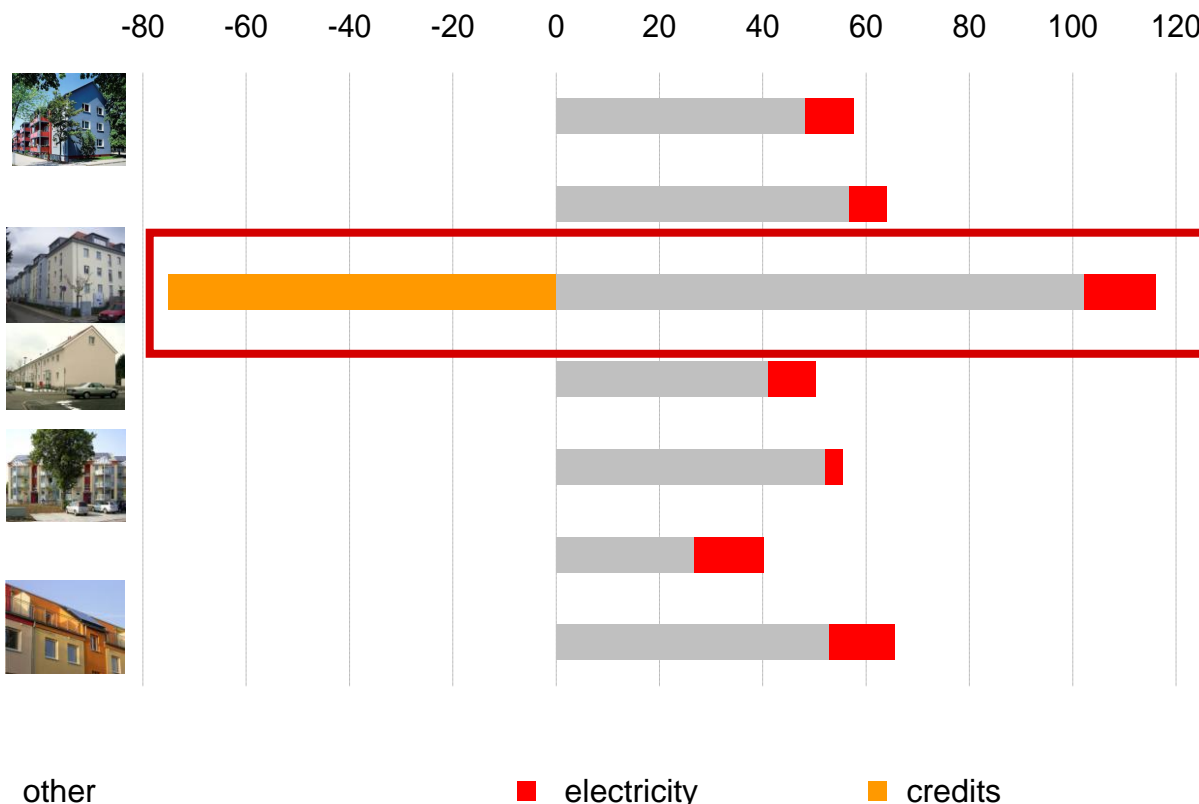
- Heating energy below 30 kWh/m²a for "KfW –Houses"
- Blaue Heimat < 15 kWh/m²a
- Large variations in attached houses Freyastrasse 11 – 60 kWh/m²a
- Passivhouse in renovation (Ludwigshafen, Frankfurt) 18 kWh



Data: ISE, IBP, IGE, PHI

Measured primary Energy Consumption [kWh/m²a]

- Rislerstrasse KfW 40:
57.7 kWh/m²a
- Rislerstrasse KfW 60:
64.0 kWh/m²a
- Blaue Heimat (incl. CHP credits):
39.9 kWh/m²a
- Freyastrasse:
50.2 kWh/m²a
- Hoheloogstr:
40.2 kWh/m²a
- Tevesstr.:
65.6 kWh/m²a



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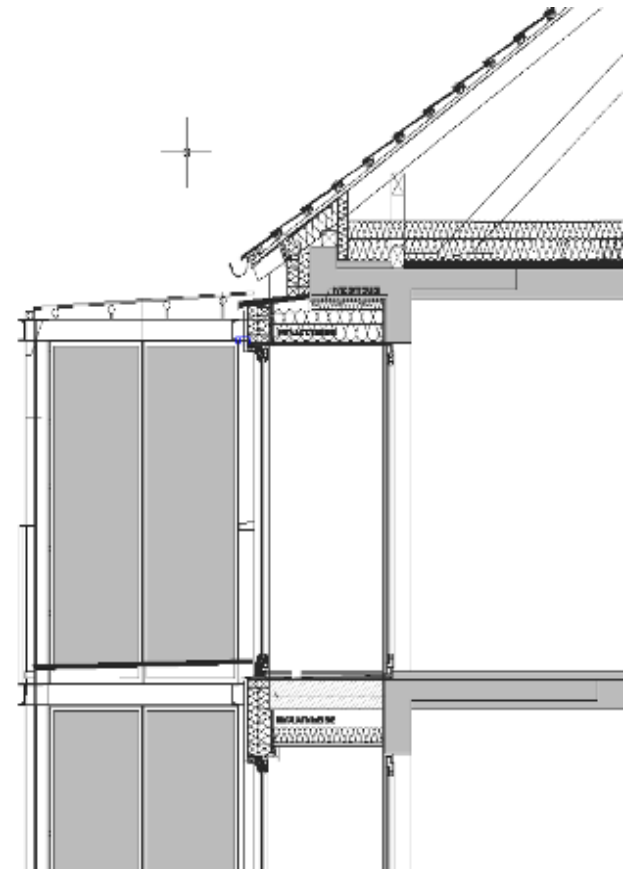
Rislerstrasse, Freiburg

- Built in 1961
- Retrofit 2005
- Two energy standards:
KfW40 resp. KfW60
- Net Heated Floor Area:
1230m² resp. 1640m²
- No. of flats:
18 resp. 24



Concept – building envelope

- Insulation of external wall, roof and floor to basement
- Windows:
KfW40: triple - glazing
KfW60: double - glazing
- Transmission losses
KfW40: $HT' = 0,27 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$
KfW60: $HT' = 0,35 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$
- Distribution in ceiling's insulation



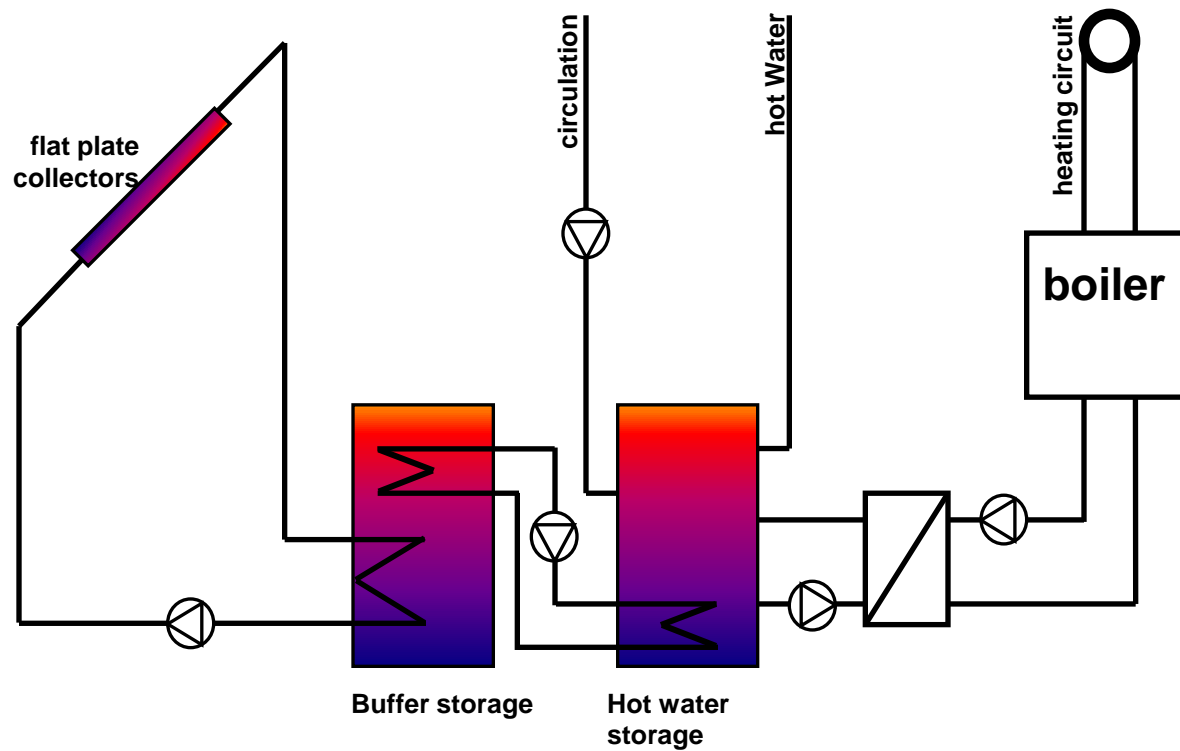
Concept – supply

- Gas condensing boiler 60kW each
- Heating system low temperature radiators
- Solar thermal collector for DHW
KfW 40: 24 m²
KfW 60: 29 m²
- Buffer storage 750 l, DHW storage 500 l
- Ventilation
KfW 40: balanced vent., heat recovery 85%
KfW 60: Exhaust ventilation



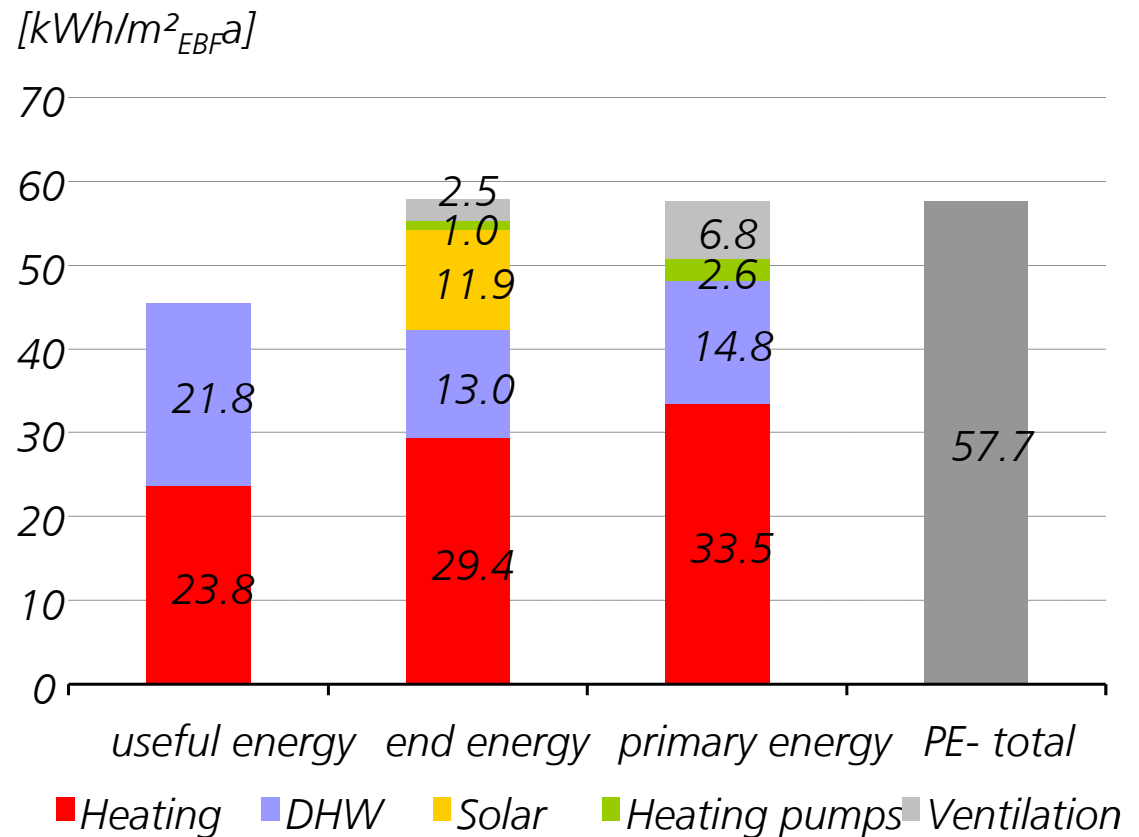
Supply scheme

Rieslerstrasse



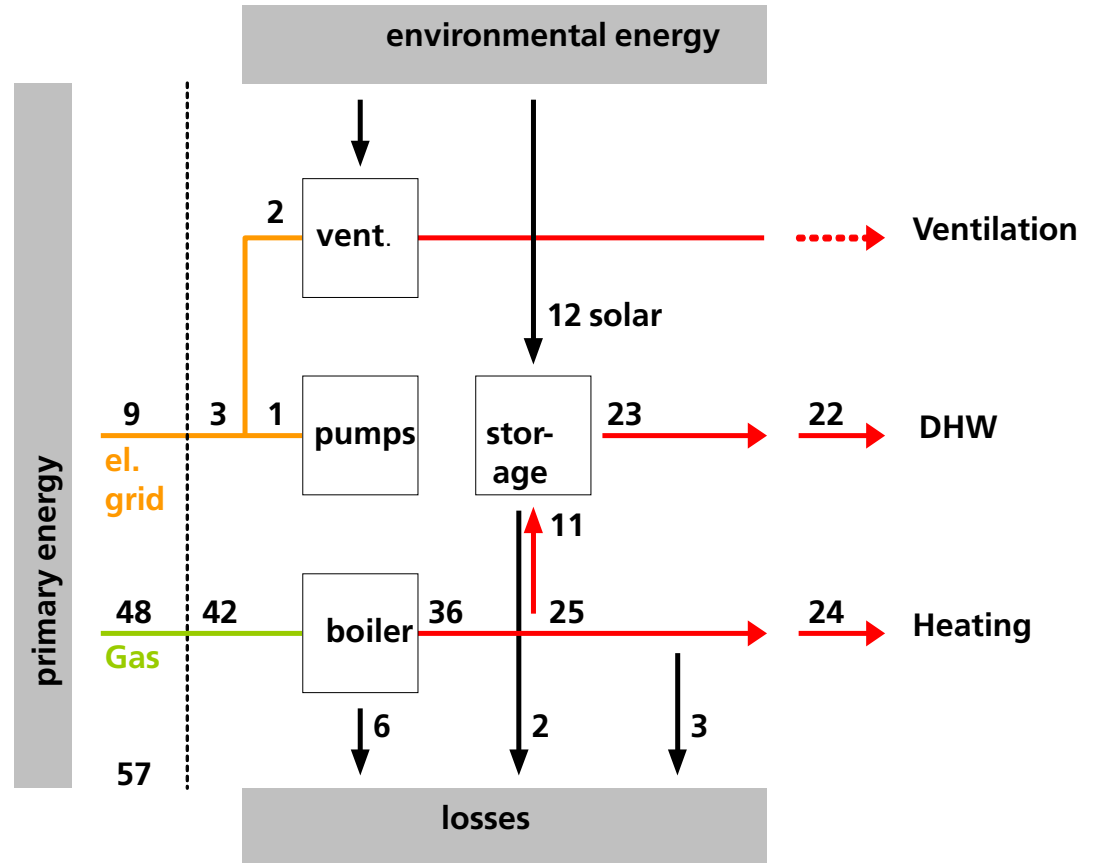
Energy consumption KfW 40

- 01/07 – 12/07
- PE- consumption (NFA)
58 kWh/m²a
(planned: 54 kWh/m²a)
- end energy / primary energy
 - electricity
2.7 kWh_{PE}/kWh_{EE}
 - natural gas
1.1 kWh_{PE}/kWh_{EE}
 - solar thermal
0 kWh_{PE}/kWh_{EE}



Energy flow - KfW 40

- Almost same demand for DHW and heating
- Solar contribution ~ 12 kWh/m²a
- Overall losses ~ 11 kWh/m²a
- Hot water consumption underestimated following ENEV



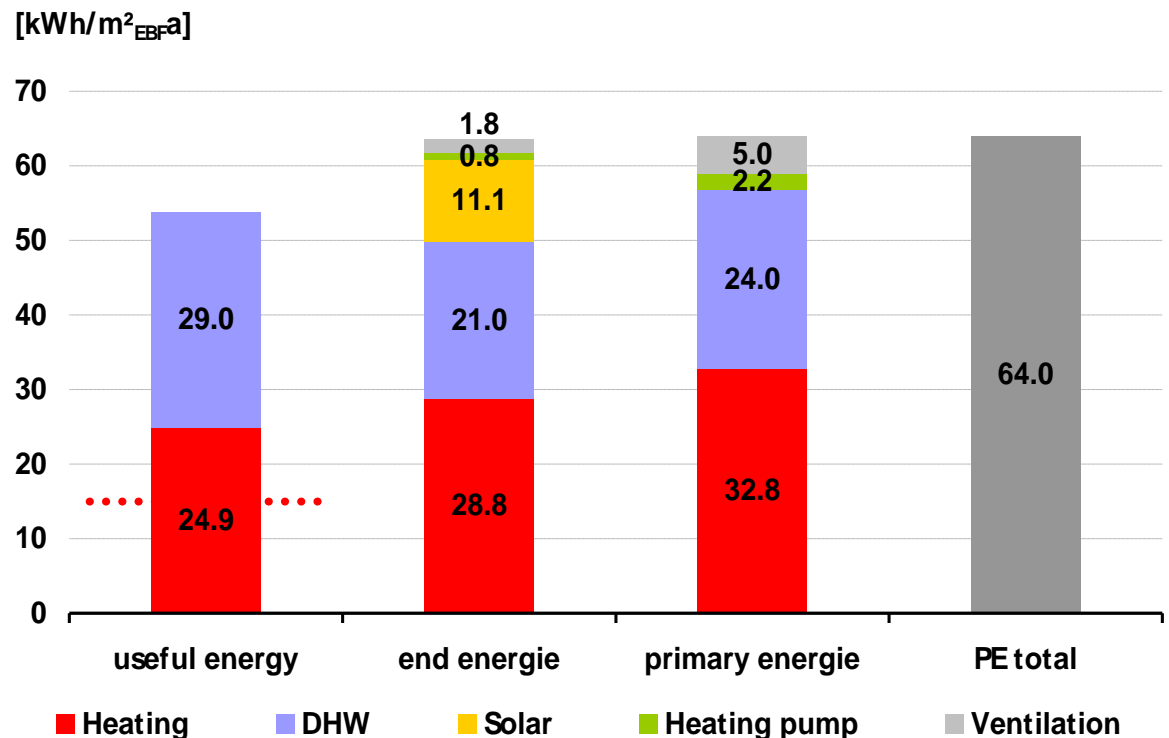
Energy consumption KfW 60

Measurement period 01/07 – 12/07

Specific PE-consumption:

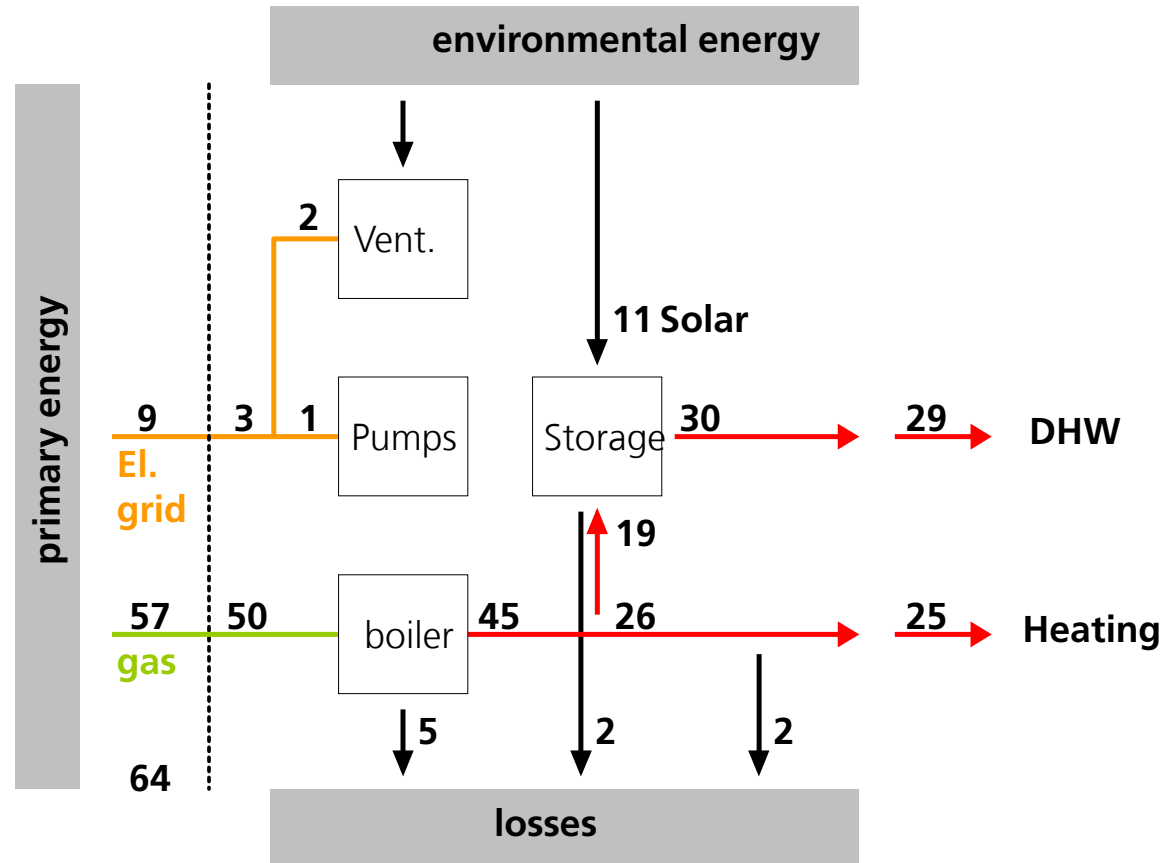
■ 64 kWh/m²y

■ (planned: 80 kWh/m²y)



Energy flow – KfW 60

- Appr. same part DHW and Heating
- Solar contribution ~ 11 kWh/m²a
- Overall losses ~ 10 kWh/m²a
- Hot water consumption underestimated following ENEV



Summary Rislerstrasse

- Technologies applied (high level insulation, gas condensing boiler in combination with solar thermal) can be stated as “state of the art”
- Energy demand for DHW and heating in same level
- Efficiency of boiler as expected
- Significant contribution of solar thermal to energy demand
 - Although solar thermal system was designed for DHW only
 - Potential for enhanced solar contribution visible
- Open questions regarding user behaviour with respect to ventilation: small advantage of ventilation with heat exchanger compared to exhaust ventilation

Blaue Heimat, Heidelberg

Built in 1951

Retrofit in 2005

NHFA: 3375m²

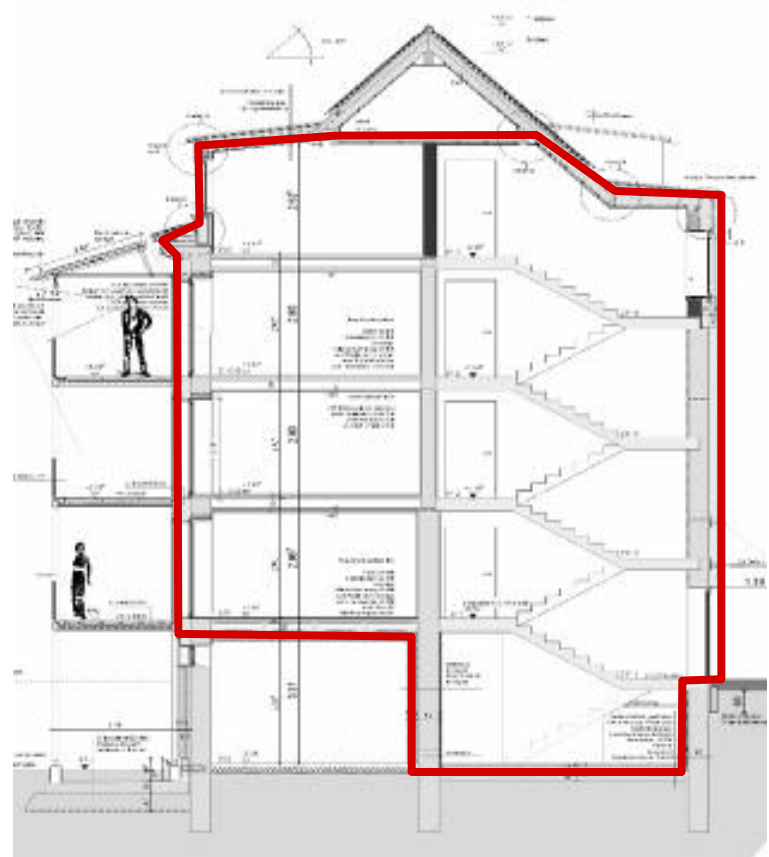
No. of flats : 40



Concept – building envelope

Blaue Heimat

- Insulation of external wall, roof and floor to basement
- Windows: triple - glazing
- Transmission losses
 $HT' = 0,31 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$
- 200% insulation of distribution pipes:
reduced losses compared to building code



Concept – energy supply

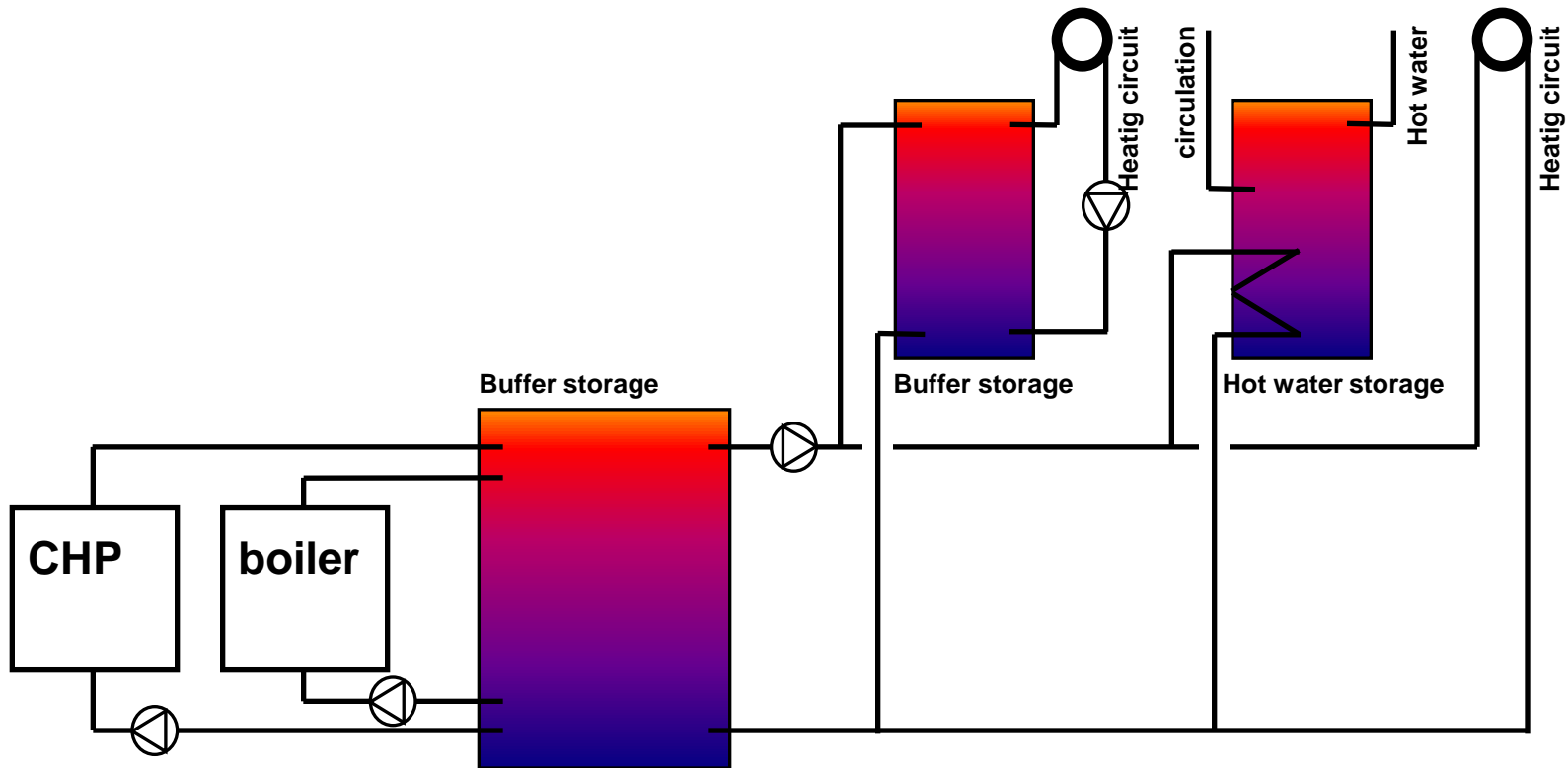
Blaue Heimat

- Natural gas-based CHP 50 kW_{el} / 80 kW_{th}
- 3 x 1.000 l buffer storage
- 2 peak load boilers 184 kW
- Balanced ventilation with heat recovery (>85 %), 3-level control in the flats
- „Zero“- Concept: Net Zero Energy house



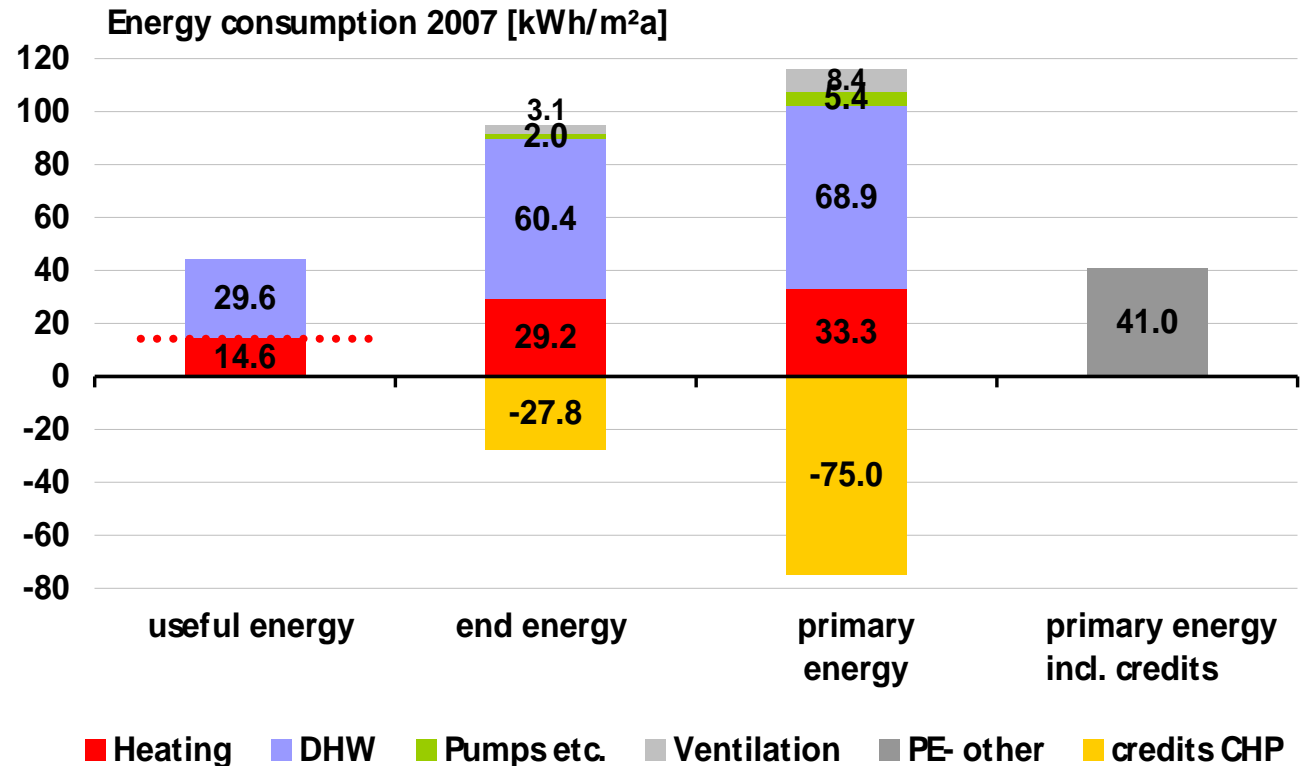
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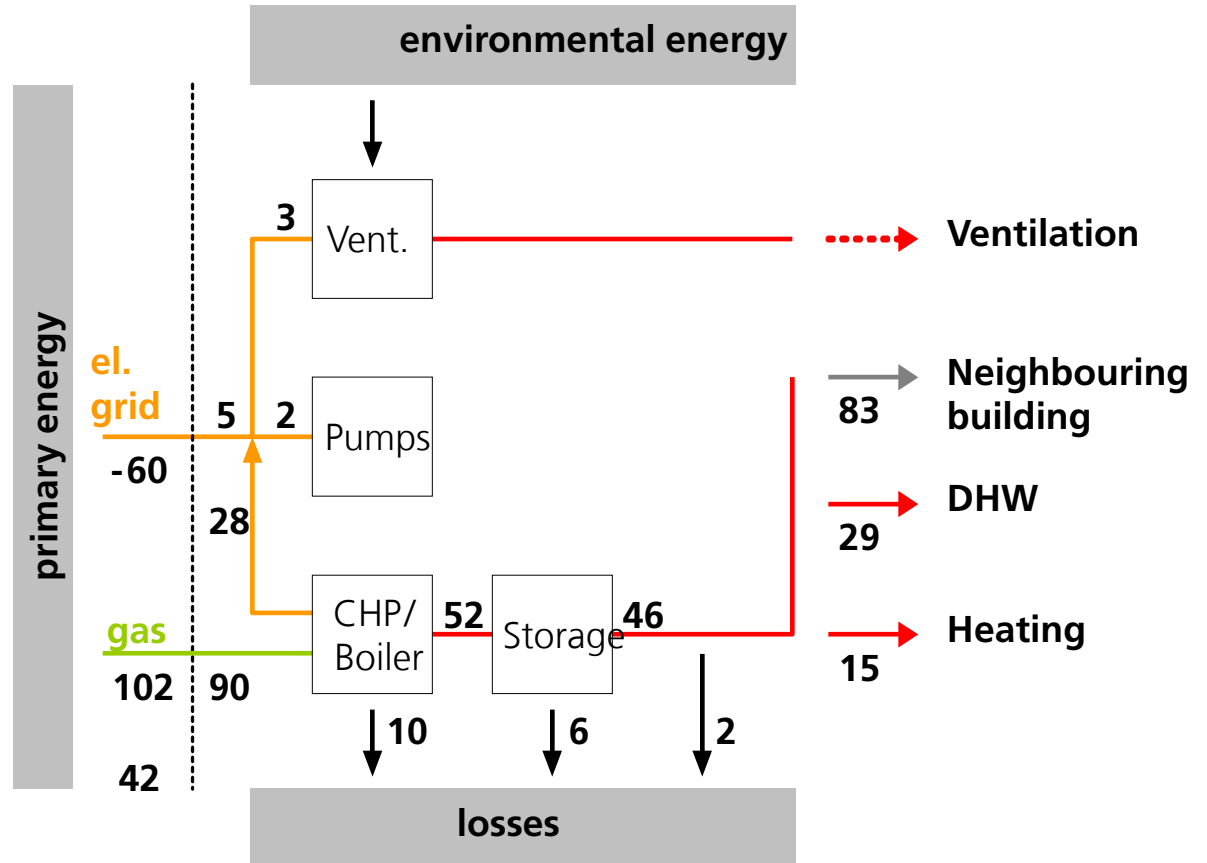
Energy consumption Blaue Heimat

- 1/07 – 12/07
- Heating energy consumption achieves almost passive house standard
- CHP- credits: 75 kWh/m²a
- Net zero energy house not completely achieved



Energy flow

- Dominated by DHW demand
- Storage and distribution losses in same order of magnitude as heating demand



Summary – Blaue Heimat

- Advanced housing retrofit possible
- DHW becomes most important
- Increased influence of user behaviour (Ventilation, DHW)
- Distribution losses and energy for ventilation and heating pumps become more important
- CHP could play a role in net zero multi-family houses
- Solution where high level insulation becomes difficult



Conclusion

- Advanced housing retrofit even to the level of passive houses becomes state of the art
- Energy standards like the net zero energy balance possible even with specific issues in retrofit (ventilation, heat bridges, air tightness)
- DHW becomes as important as heating
- Increasing influence of user behaviour (desired room temperature, ventilation, hot water demand)
- Specific solutions have to be adapted to particular conditions (e.g. centralized vs. de-centralized, direct supply vs. storage, separated supply for DHW and heating)

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