

# Heat energy saving solutions for modernization of heating & hot water systems in apartment houses



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# Energy measurement



# Danfoss is a **pioneer in ultrasonic** metering technology

- District heating systems were established in major cities and towns. The infrastructure was largely based on Soviet-era technology.
- The sector faced issues with efficiency and reliability, requiring significant modernization.

**First ultrasonic flow meter**



1978

**First transit time ultrasonic meter**



1991

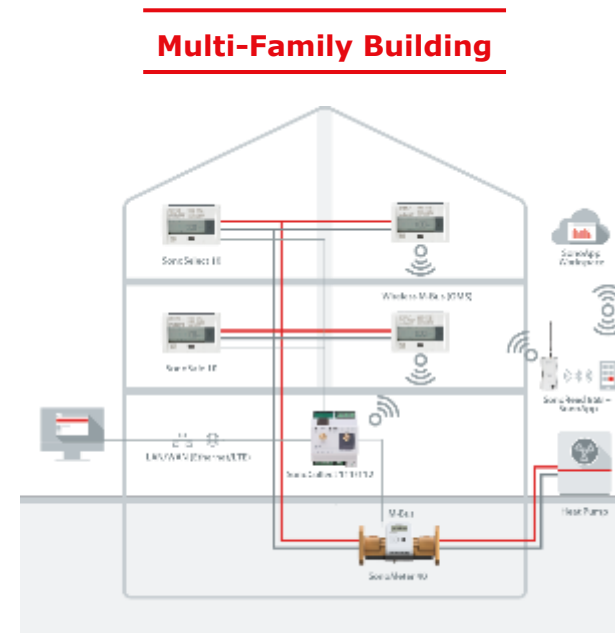
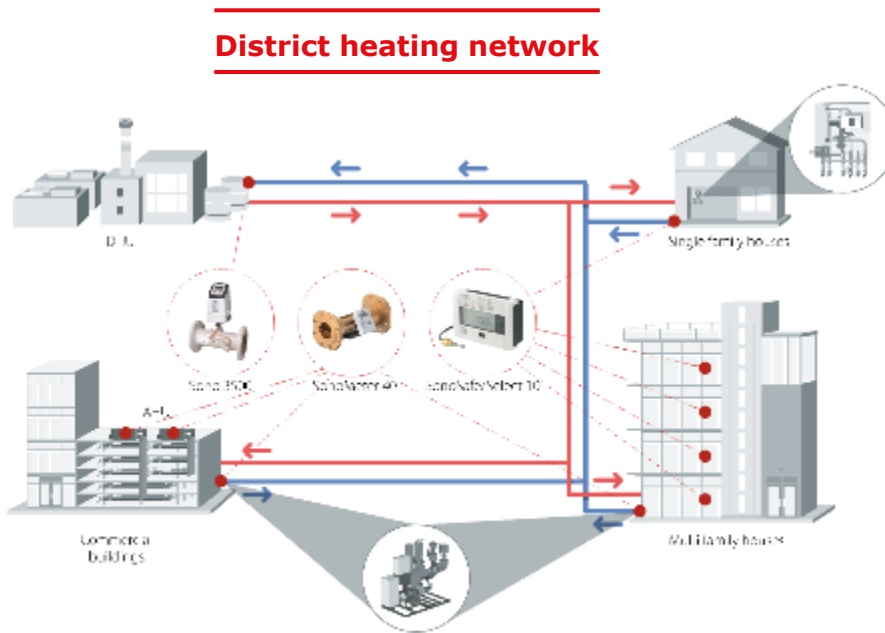
**First meter configurable via App**



2016

# Energy metering applications

- Energy meters began to be installed in individual buildings to measure heat consumption accurately. This was part of the broader effort to modernize the district heating infrastructure.





# The Measuring Instruments Directive (MID)

- EN1434 defines 3 accuracy classes referring to MID
- MID: MPE (maximum permissible error) applicable to complete thermal energy meters

## Complete energy meter class 2

$$E = E_f + E_t + E_c$$

$E_f$ ...MPE flow sensor [%]

$E_t$ ...MPE temperature sensor [%]

$E_c$ ...MPE energy calculator[%]

## Temperature sensors class 2

$E_t = \left(0,5 + 3 \frac{\Delta\vartheta_{min}}{\Delta\vartheta}\right)$ , where the error relates to the indicated value of the relationship between temperature sensor pair output and temperature difference

$\Delta\vartheta_{min}[K]$  ...minimum temperature difference  $f$

or which the system is rated

$\Delta\vartheta[K]$  ... actual operating temperature difference

## Flow sensor class 2

$$E_f = \left(2 + 0,02 \frac{q_p}{q_{ac}}\right), \text{ but no more than } 5\%$$

$q_p[m^3/s]$ ... nominal flow

$q_{ac}[m^3/s]$  ... actual operating flow rate

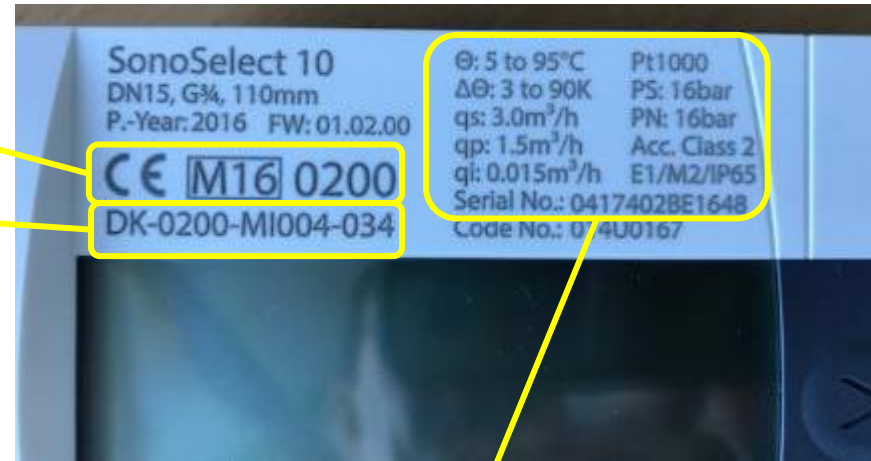
## Energy calculator class 2

$E_t = \left(0,5 + \frac{\Delta\vartheta_{min}}{\Delta\vartheta}\right)$ , where the error relates to the value of the thermal energy indicated to the true value of thermal energy

# Approval and marking according to MID

Declaration of conformity  
CE M[year] [code of notified body]

Type approval no.



Metrologically required data about performance parameters and serial no.

exception cooling meters:  
A national approval or notification is necessary in DE, AT, CH, DK



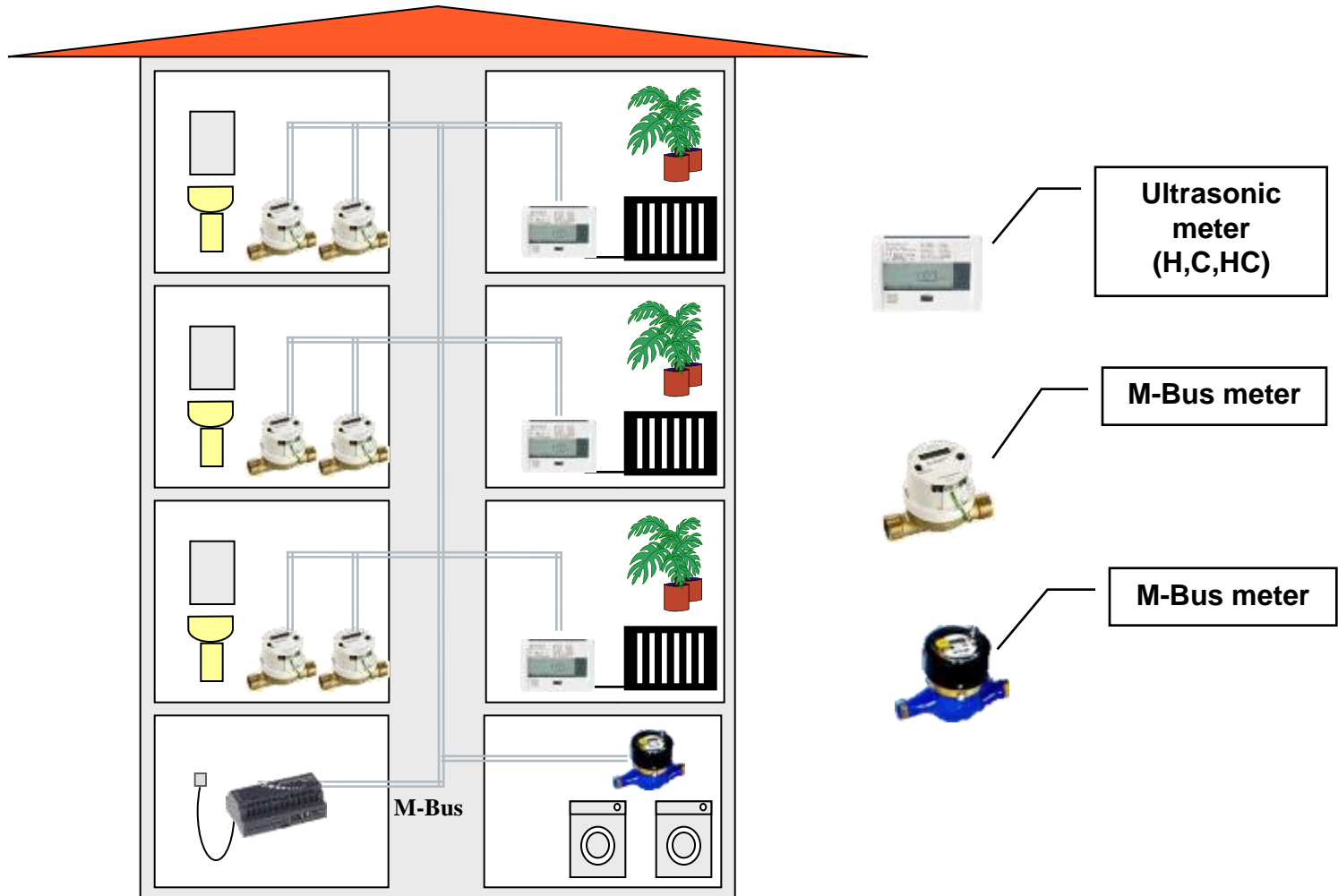


- Each Danfoss Energy meter is designed and tested to fulfill and **exceed MID class II requirements**.
- Our products sustain **3x required durability tests** as required by MID EN 1434-4 (12.000 cycles representing 15 years of operations).



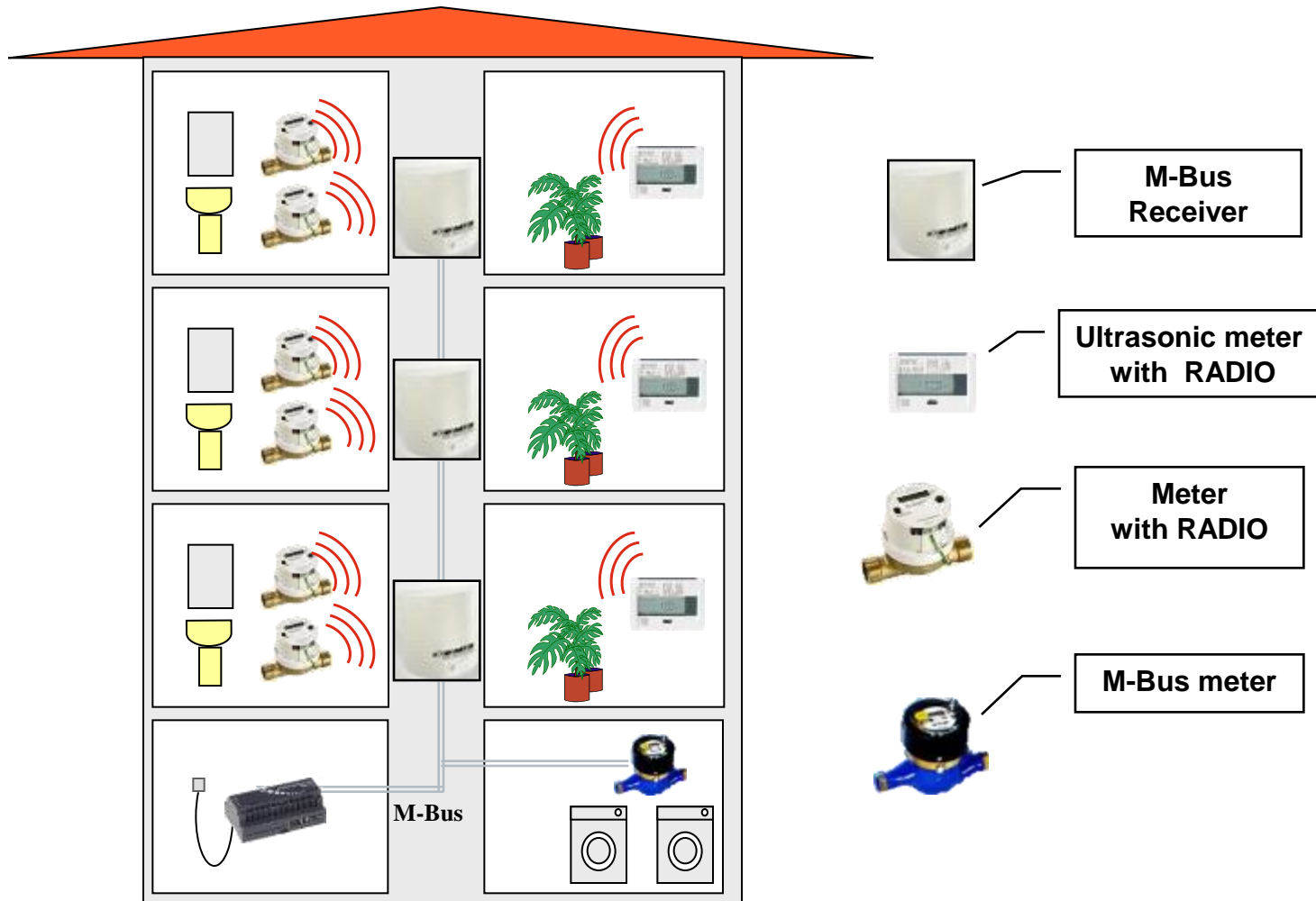
# Consumption monitoring

- Wired M-Bus network. Cable work is needed



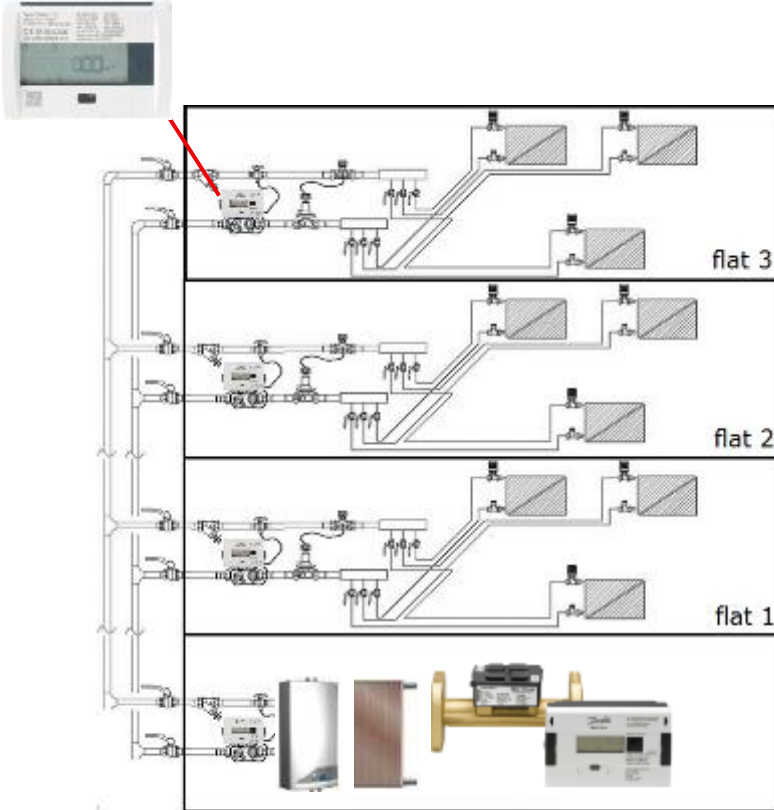
# Consumption monitoring

- Wireless M-Bus network. M-Bus receivers are needed

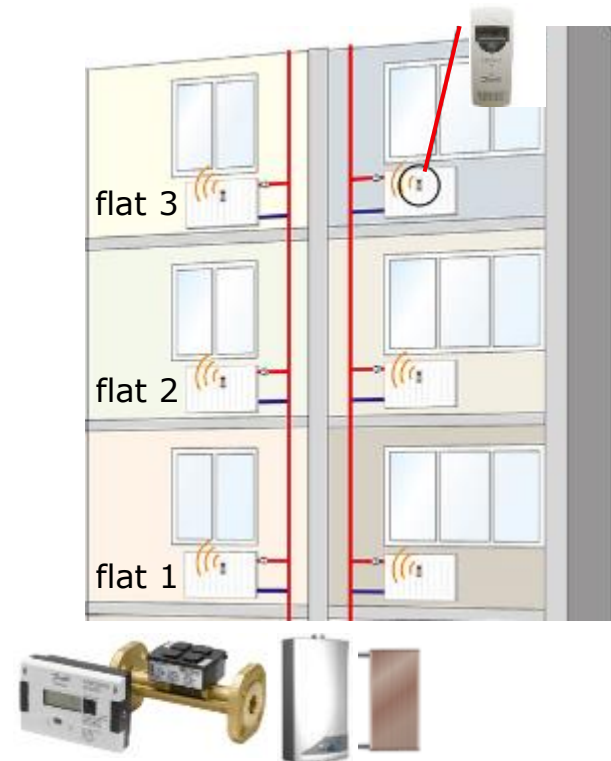


# Horizontal vs vertical heating system

- Thermal energy meters

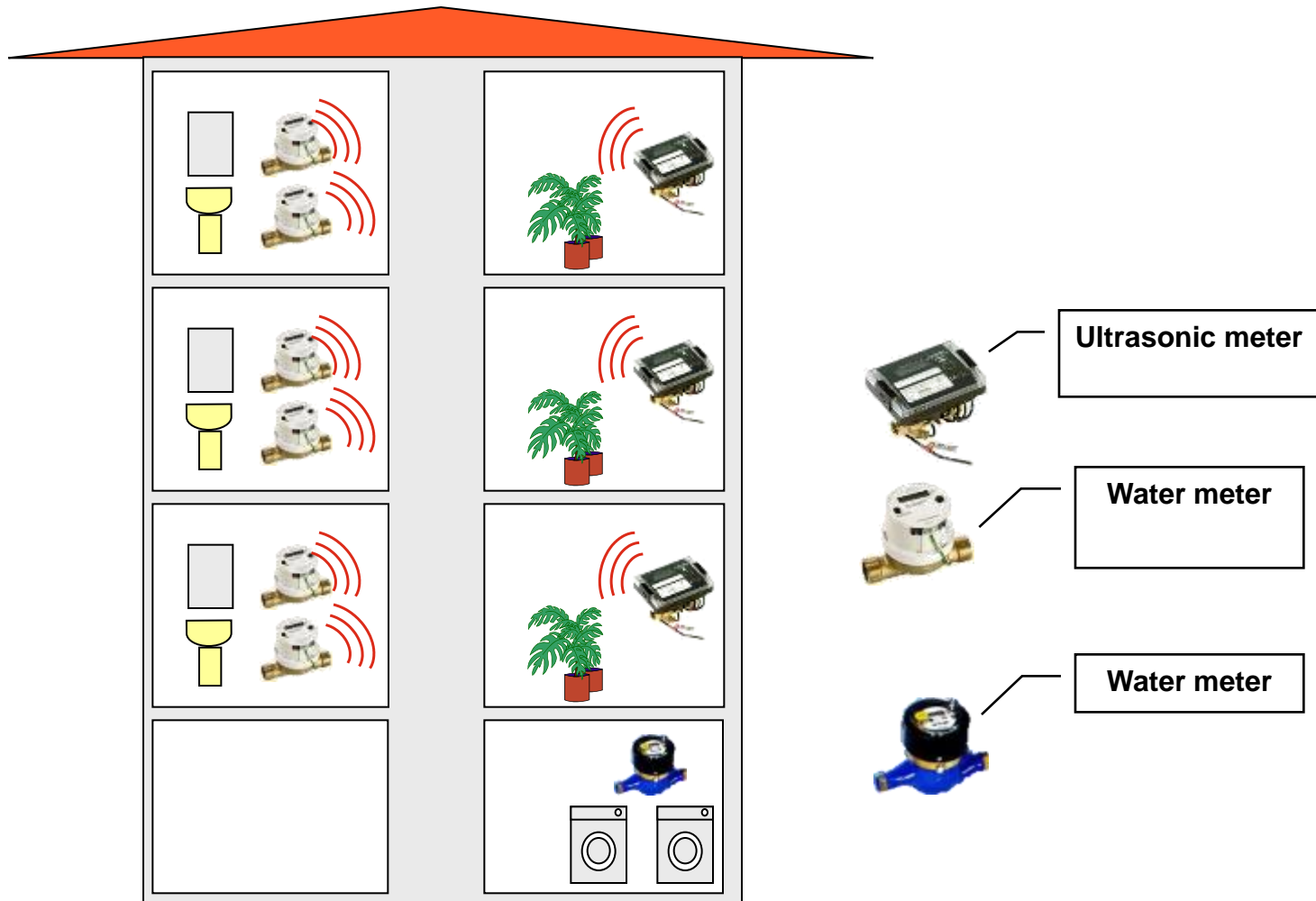


- Heat cost allocators. Mainly renovation.



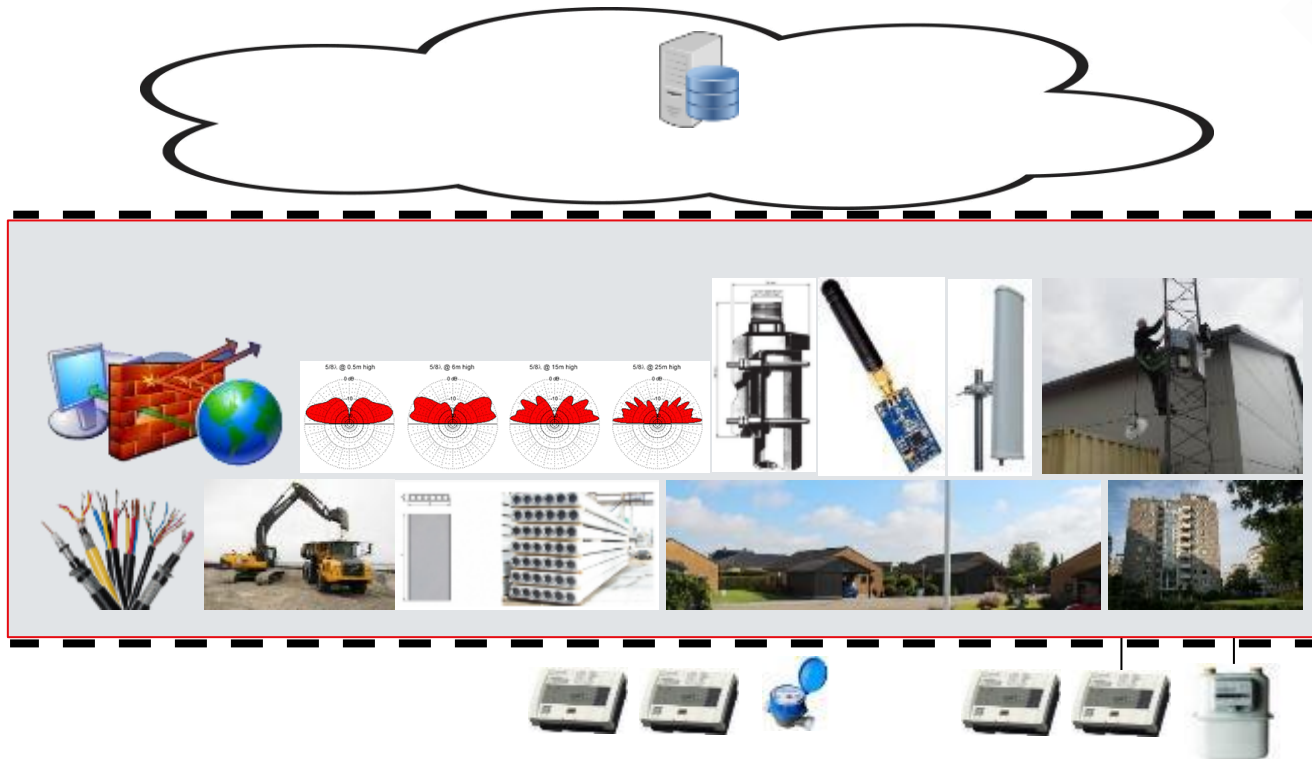
# Consumption monitoring

- LoRa or NB-IoT network



# LoRa

- Who establish, own and run the infrastructure ?



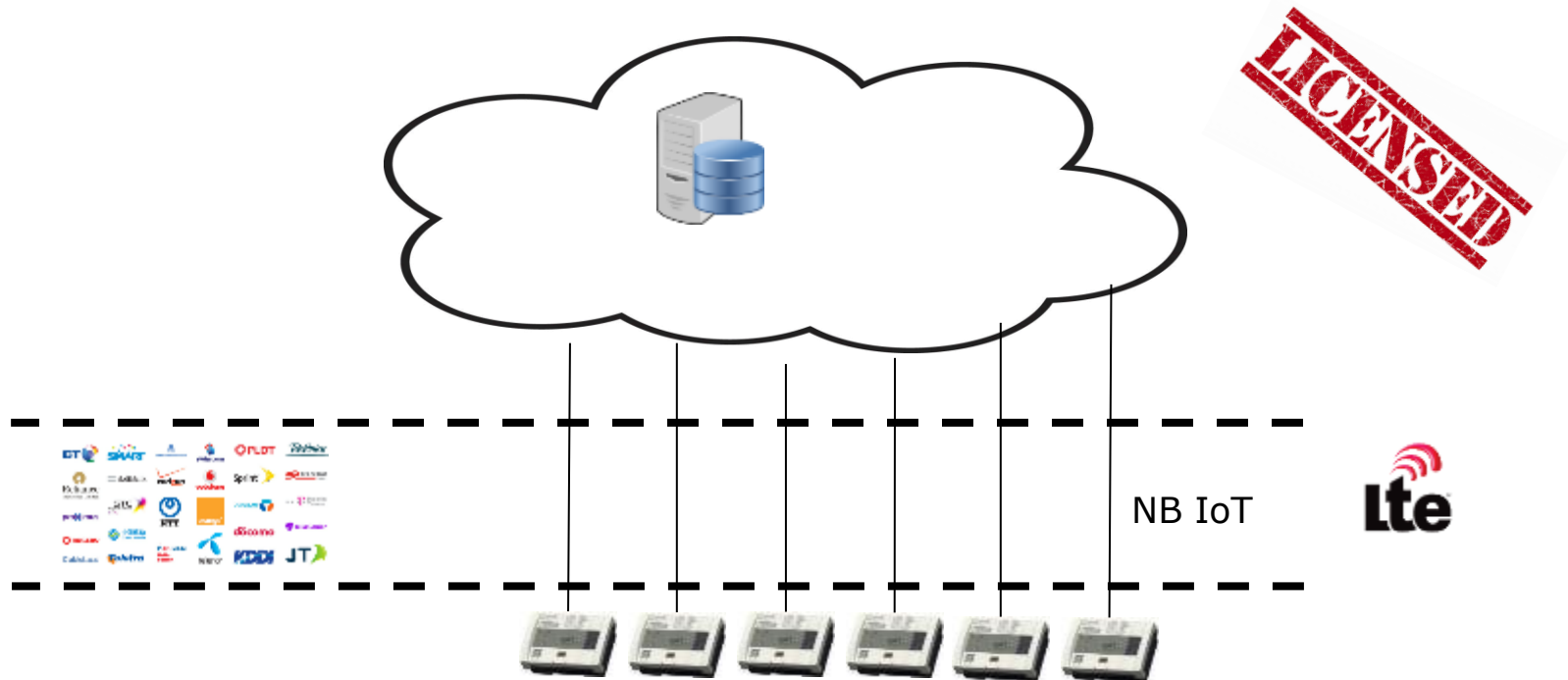
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# NB-IoT

- No need for infrastructure, which is already there



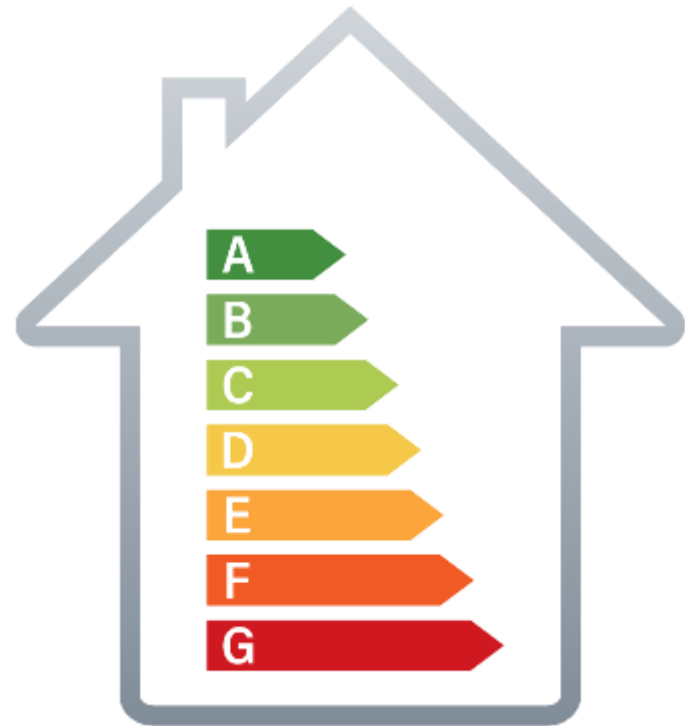
# Renovation



# European legislation

## EED (Energy Efficiency Directive)

- Mandatory metering for end-user billing
- Meters must be remotely readable devices
- Read at least monthly since 1.1.2022
- Existing non remotely readable meters to be replaced by 1.1.2027
- Smart meter to be installed in every apartment



# European legislation

## EPBD (Energy Performance of Buildings Directive)

- Individual room control + dynamic balancing (Art. 8/14)
- Mandatory to install BACS (Building Automation and Control System) with continuous energy monitoring of technical building system in non-residential buildings by 2025 with output above 290kW (Art. 14/15)
- Regular inspections of residential buildings with output above 70kW OR install BACS with continuous energy monitoring of technical building system (Art. 14/15)
- Smart meters to be installed in heat pumps, chillers, AHUs...



# Certifying the sustainability of buildings

## BREEAM

- Building Research Establishment - sustainability of buildings
- Energy management brings points
- Outstanding rating for 85+ points
- UK origin

## LEED

- Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design
- Building energy monitoring is mandatory
- Advanced energy management needed for highest ratings
- Platinum rating for 80+ points
- US origin



Y	?	N		
0	0	0	<b>Energy and Atmosphere</b>	<b>33</b>
Y			Prereq Fundamental Commissioning and Verification	Required
Y			Prereq Minimum Energy Performance	Required
Y			Prereq <b>Building-Level Energy Metering</b>	<b>Required</b>
Y			Prereq Fundamental Refrigerant Management	Required
			Credit <b>Enhanced Commissioning</b>	<b>6</b>
			Credit Optimize Energy Performance	18
			Credit <b>Advanced Energy Metering</b>	<b>1</b>
			Credit Demand Response	2
			Credit Renewable Energy Production	3
			Credit Enhanced Refrigerant Management	1
			Credit Green Power and Carbon Offsets	2

# Renovation

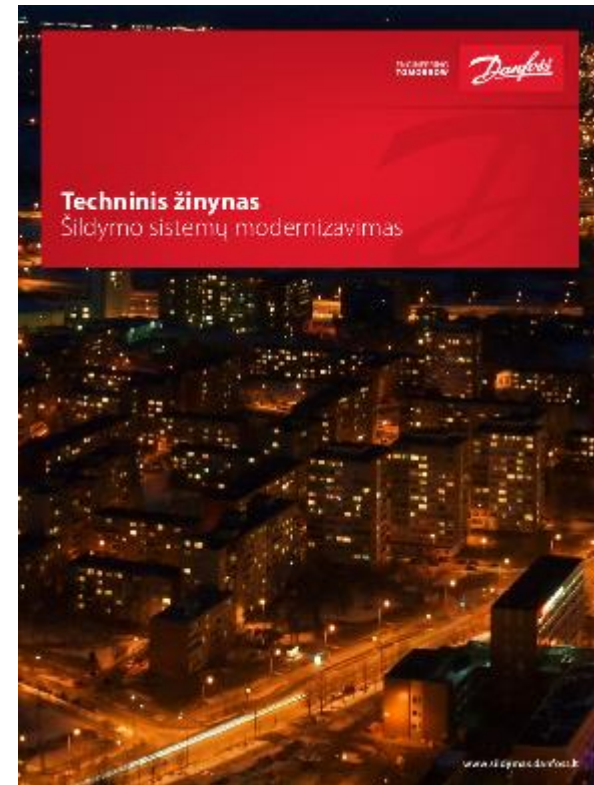
## Projects

- Projects and savings were illustrated.



## Technical manual

- There focus was on how to do.

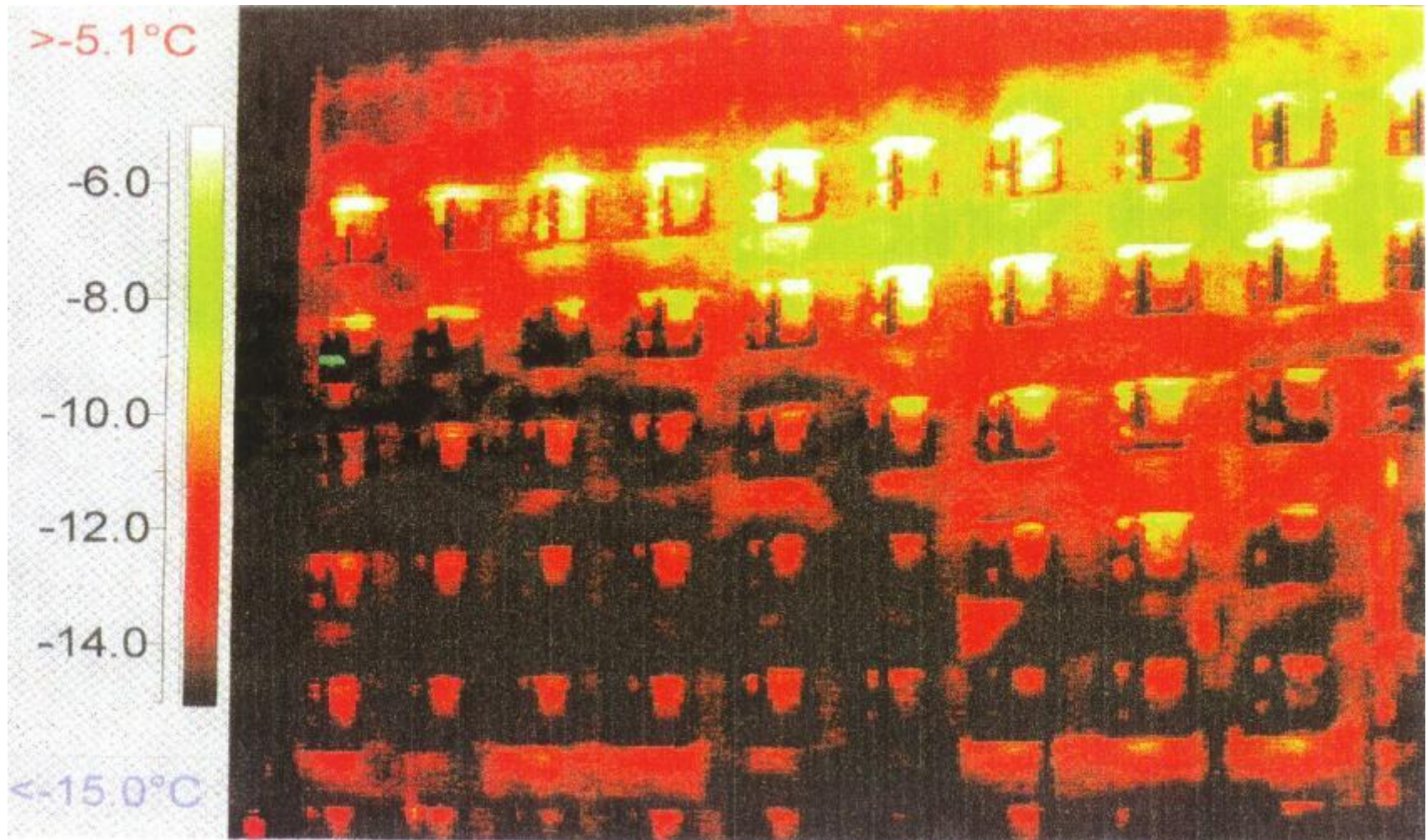




# Outcome of projects

	One pipe	Two pipe. Vertical	Two pipe. Horizontal	Flat station
Investment	~10 EUR/m <sup>2</sup>	~23 - 35 EUR/m <sup>2</sup>	~35 - 40m <sup>2</sup>	2900 - 4400 m <sup>2</sup>
Return on investment	2 - 4 years	5 - 8 years	7 - 10 years	10 - 12 years
Efficiency	Up to 20%	Up to 20%	Up to 20%	Up to 20%
Installation per room	1 - 3 h	3 - 8 h	3 - 8 h	8 - 20 h
Hot Water make up	No	No	No	Yes
Heat cost allocators	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes (not relevant)
Energy meter	No	No	Yes	Yes

# Thermograph of typical old construction living house



# Improved energy performance



Energy certificate

Building Energy Performance	As built calculated*	In use measured**
Space to make reference to the energy certification procedure used		
Very energy efficient		
A		
B		
C	C	
D		D
E		
F		
G		
Not energy efficient		
	130 kwh/(m <sup>2</sup> ·a)	150 kwh/(m <sup>2</sup> ·a)

**Old buildings**

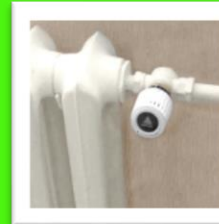
Указания по определению класса энергоэффективности здания и форме его представления  
(тепловая оболочка + системы отопления, охлаждения, вентиляции, кондиционирования, затенения, освещения, ГВС)



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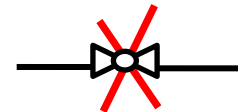
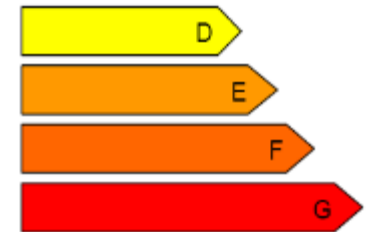
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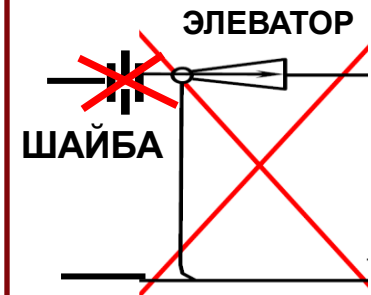
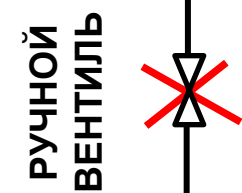
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**ТЕПЛО-  
ПУНКТЫ**



**ШАРОВЫЕ КРАНЫ,  
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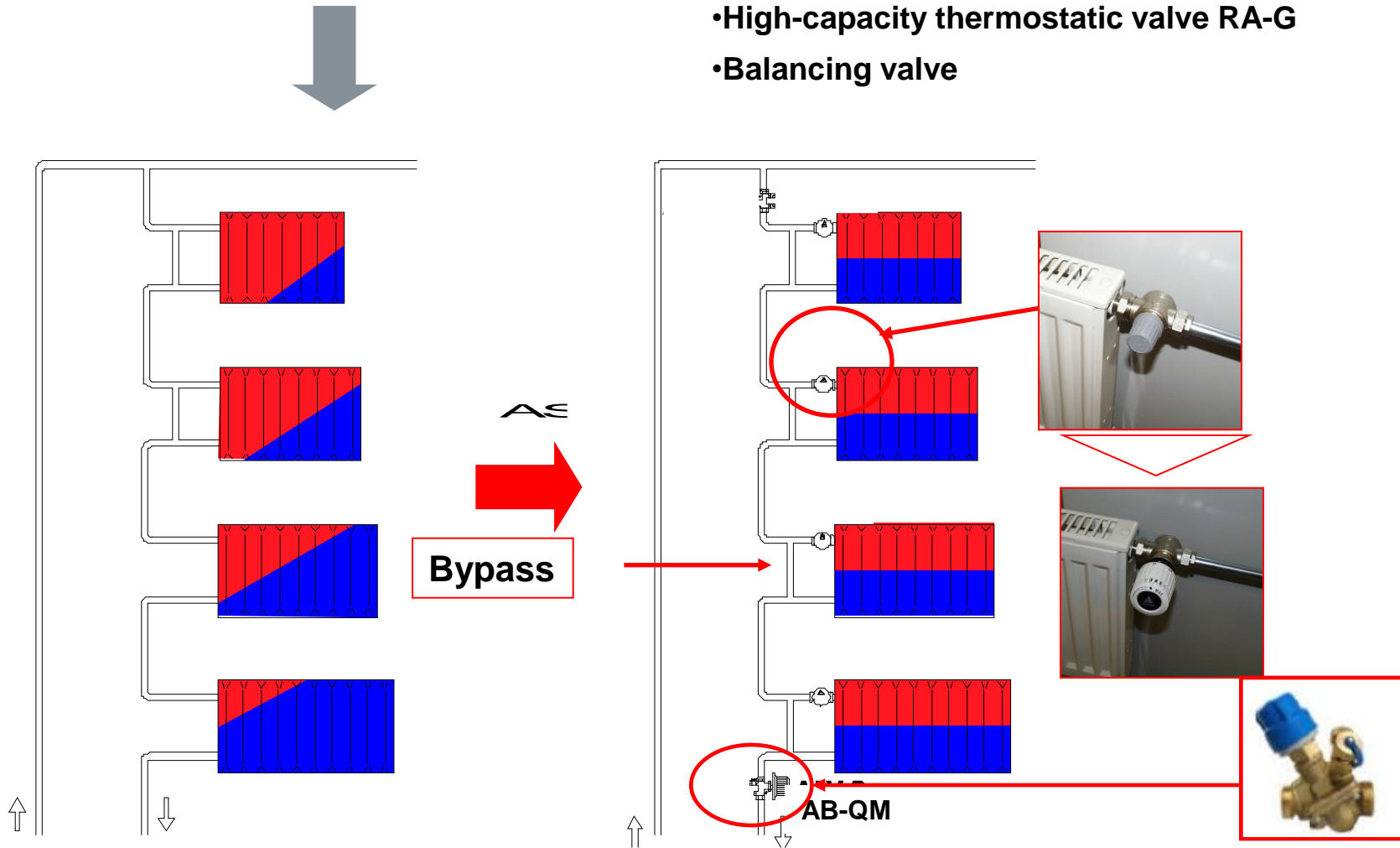


# One pipe system

## Before

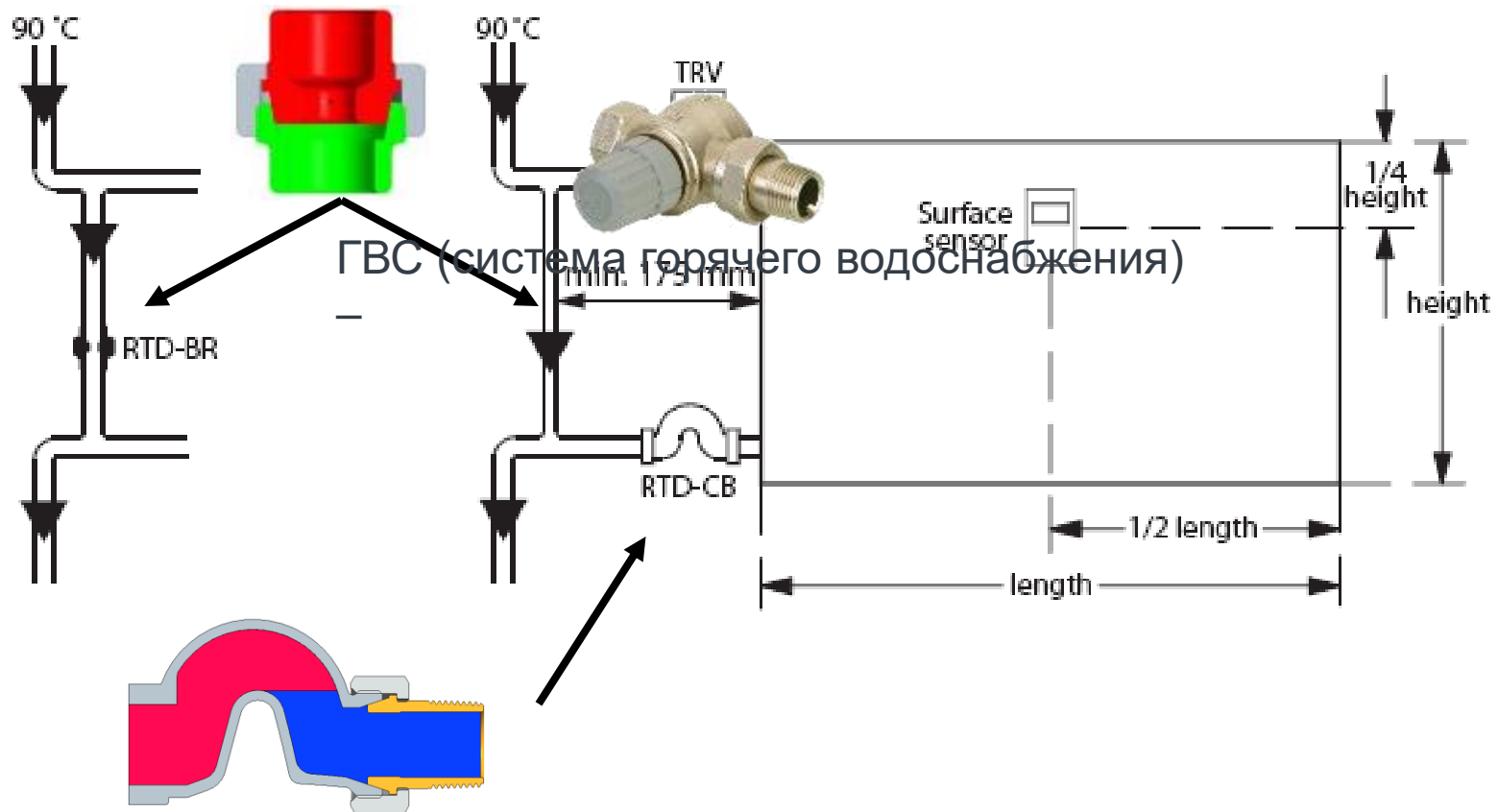
## After

- Bypass
- High-capacity thermostatic valve RA-G
- Balancing valve



# Radiator valve installation

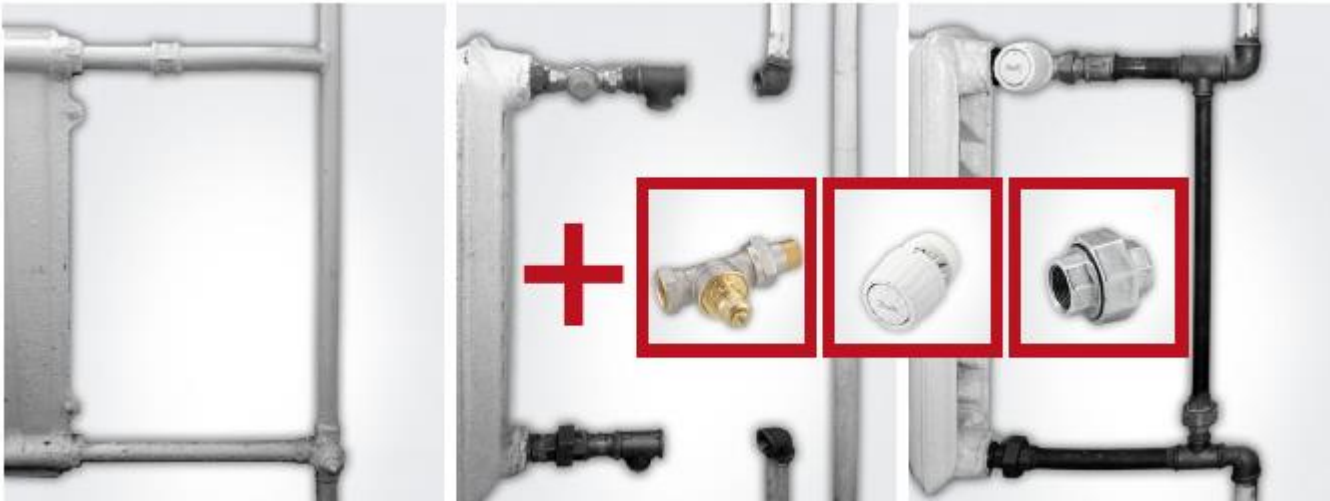
- RTD-BR – bypass flow restrictor.
- RTD-CB – backflow preventer for high supply temperature systems.



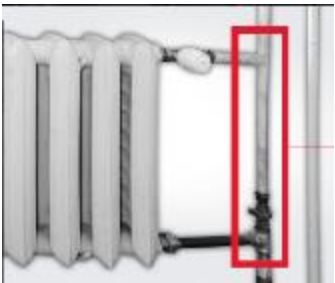


# Radiator valve installation

- We explained installation step by step.

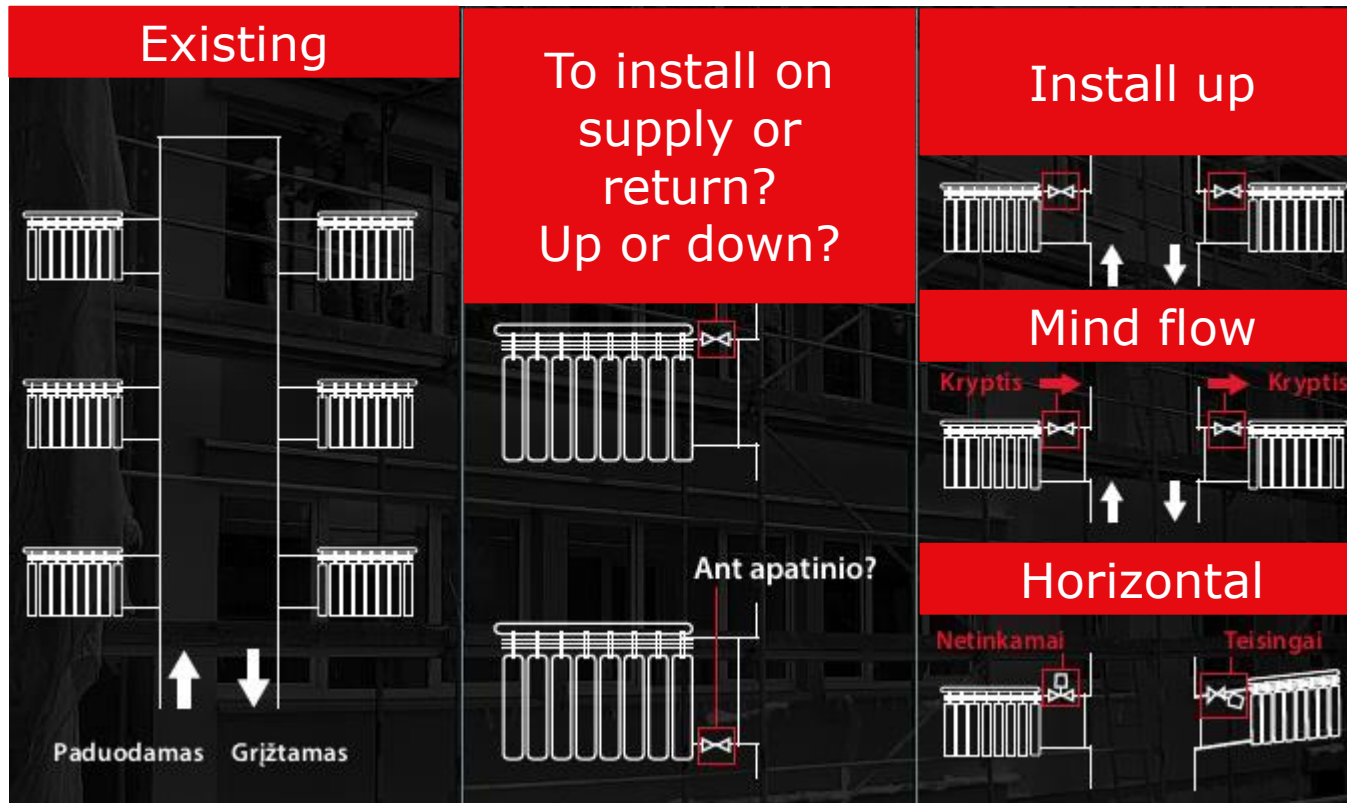


- Highlighted errors

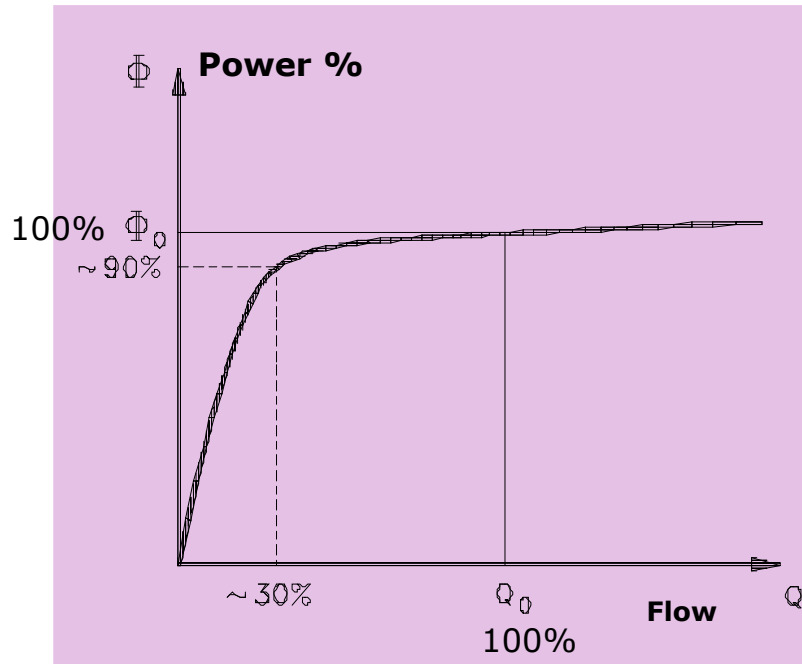


# Radiator valve installation

- Explained complicated scenarios



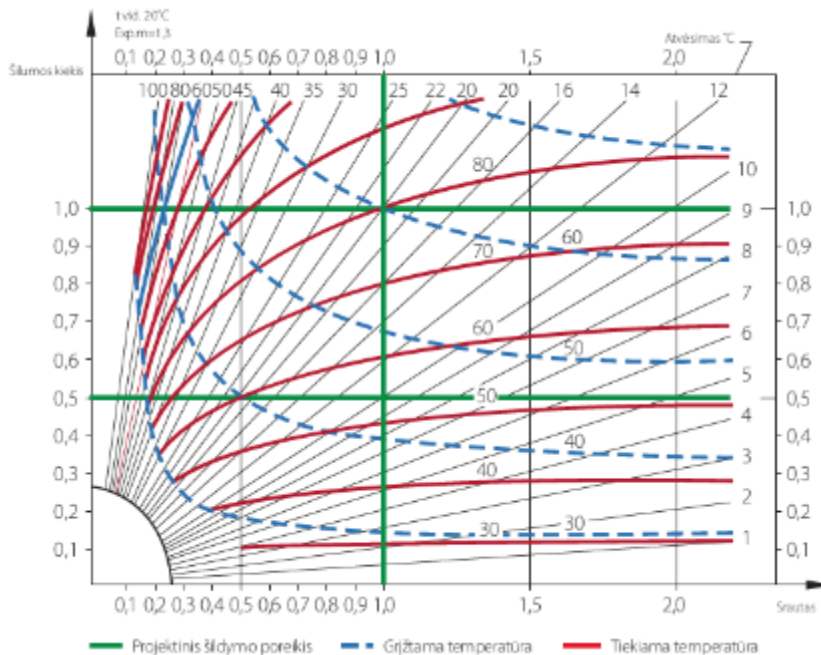
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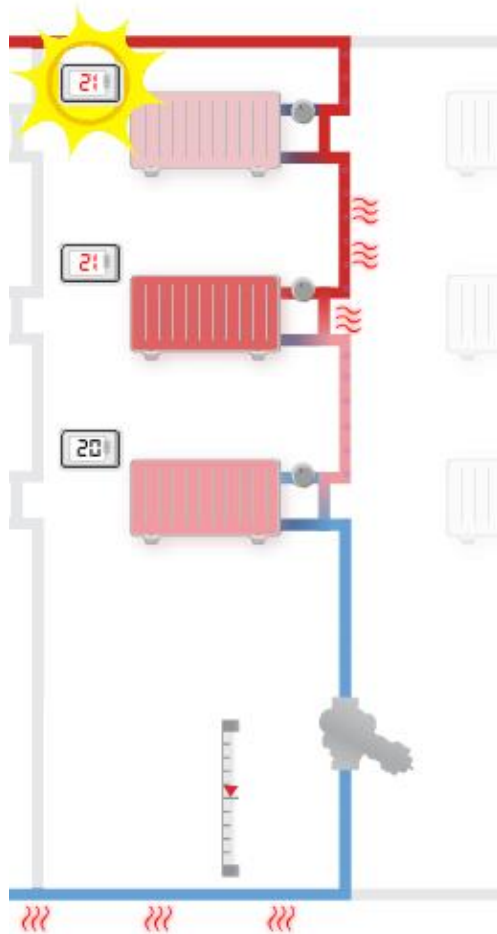
- Special high flow capacity radiator thermostatic valve to be installed
- Bypass should be installed of size smaller than main riser pipe size or flow restrictor should be installed.
- Flow to radiator decrease result in radiator emission decrease.
- Phenomena compensated by slight temperature increase.

# Supply, return temperatures

- There is a need to adjust temperature schedule after building is renovated, considering increased insulation of construction and reduced demand for energy.



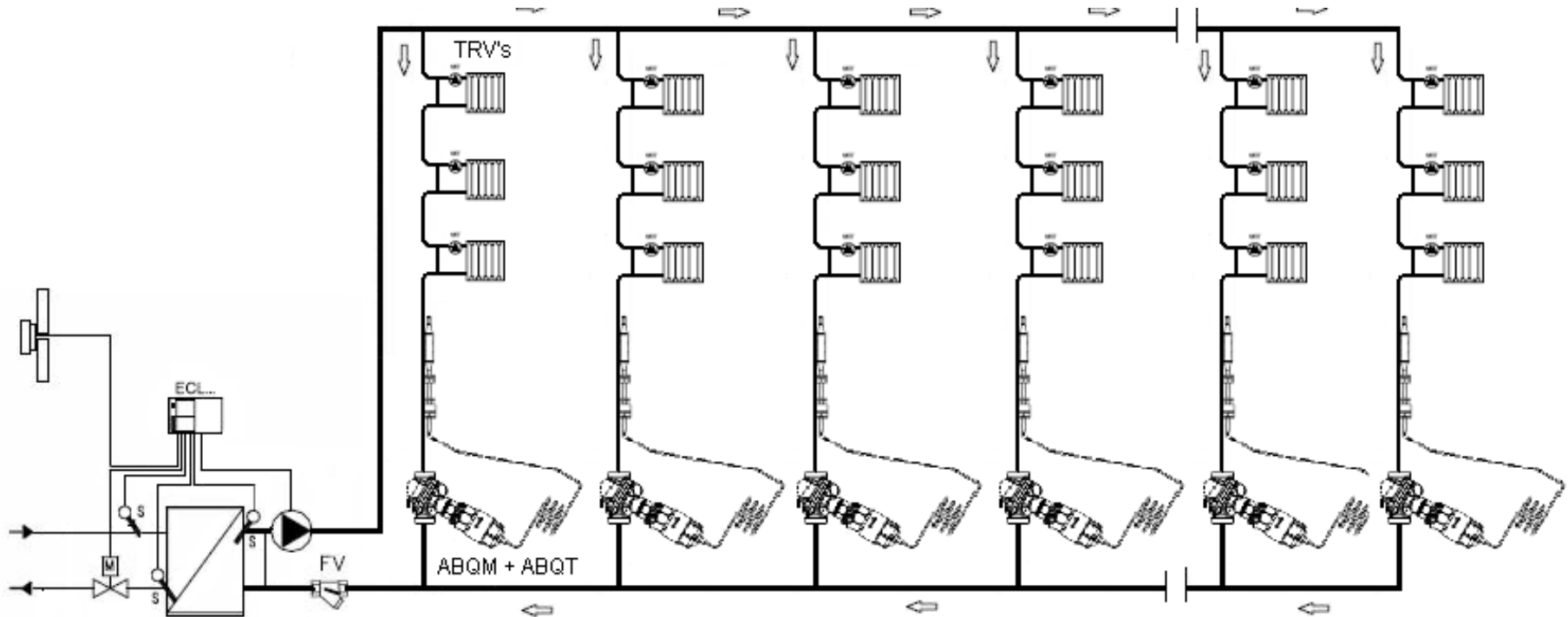
# Riser heating



- When TRV is closed because of room temperature rise, water flows through a by-pass instead through a radiator.
- So, the water is not subject to cooling – which leads to a rise of return temperature!
- Balancing valve can be equipped with thermostat or electronic control system.

# One-pipe renovation+ solution portfolio

Application 1      Return temperature control : self action (ABQM + ABQT )



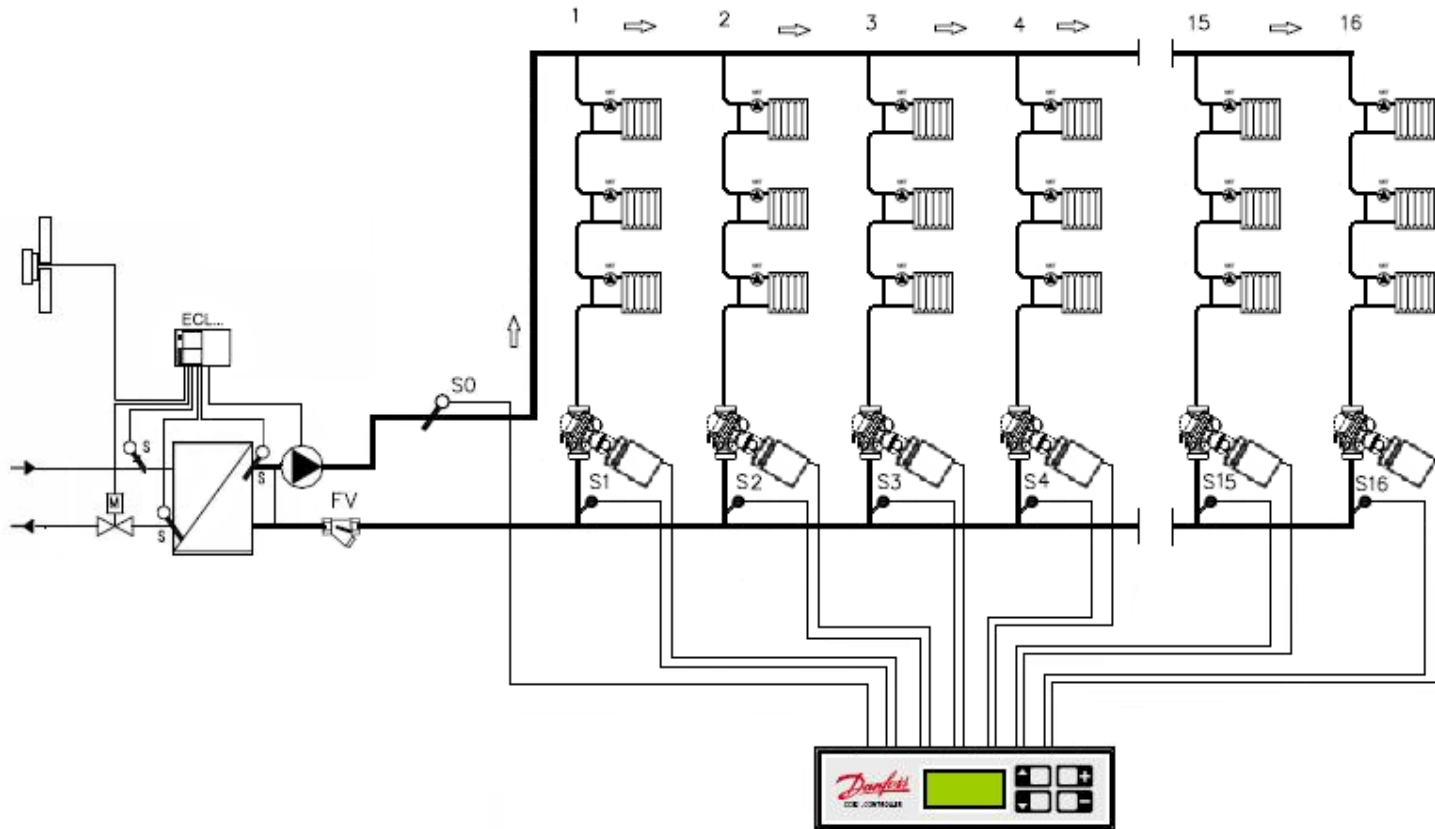
AB-QT makes 1-pipe system adaptive to actual heat demand – flow varied like in 2-pipe system !



# Innovative solution

## Application 2

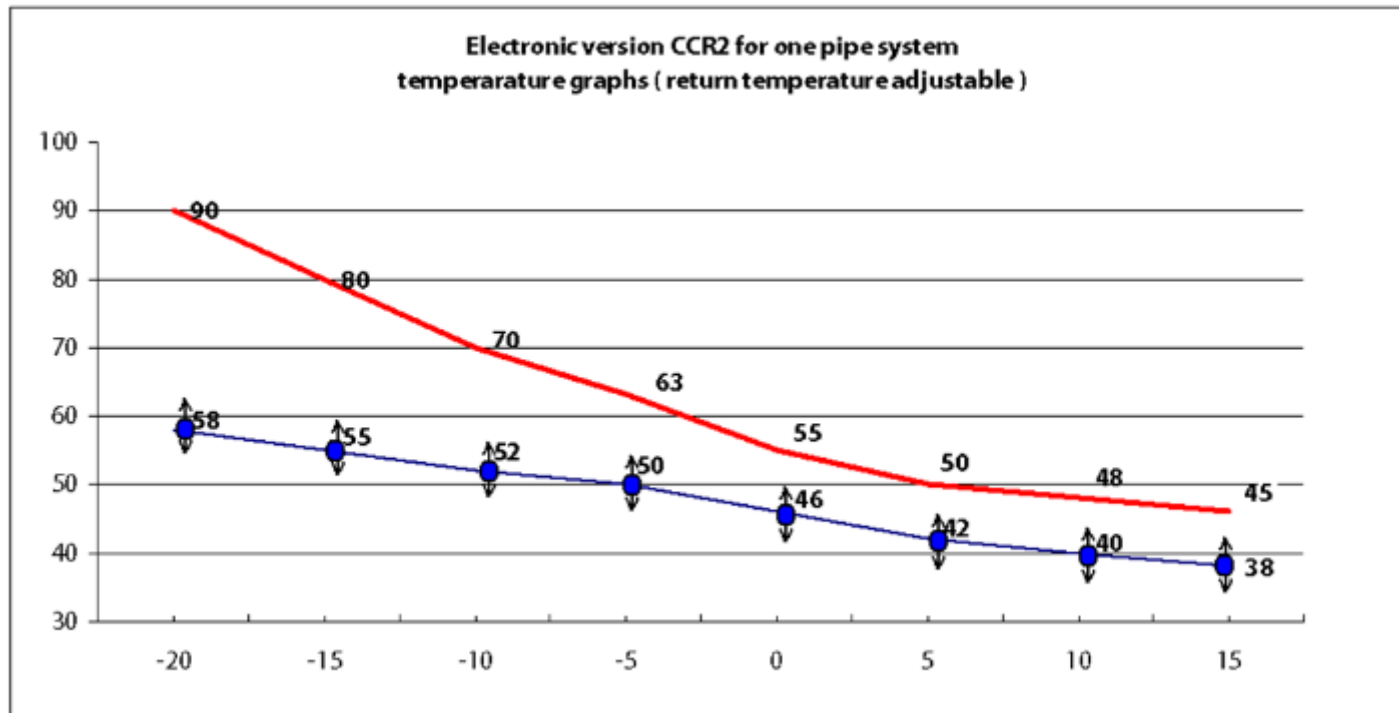
Return temperature control : electronic  
(ABQM + TWA + CCR3 „one pipe version” )







ABQM with CCR2 control makes 1-pipe system adaptive to actual heat demand – flow varied like in 2-pipe system !

# Weather compensated return temperature

- Each riser can be programmed to individual return temperature dependency from supply temperature



# 1-pipe solution portfolio

Application	<div>1-pipe systems</div> <div>  </div>		
Solution level	AB-QM	AB-QT	AB-QTE
Product level	 - AB-QM	 - AB-QM - QT	 - AB-QM - TWA-Z - CCR3 -- ESMC
What it does / description	- automatic balance	- automatic balance with self acting thermostat - variable flow control	- automatic balance with electronic control - variable flow control
Main benefits	-reliable system (even heat distribution, no under-heating)  -Payback : ~ 1 year (based on reliability)	- reliable system - energy savings (when matters most) - price performance  Payback: ~2,5 year (based on energy savings only)	- reliable system - best energy savings possible (best efficiency) - monitoring, service, resetting (individual riser setting)  Payback: ~4,5 year (based on energy savings only)

# Setting range

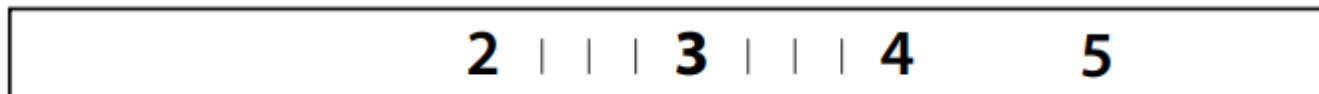


Plausible factory limited settings.

- Min limitation – with heat cost allocators.
- Max limitation for systems without heat cost allocators.



8      12      16      20      °C



16      20      24      28      °C

# Examples



# Domestic hot water



- Renovation of heat exchanger stations (supplying hot water to several buildings).
- Implemented by replacing old heat exchanger where old was completely bad.
- Replacing old temperature controllers to a new.
- Implemented by District Heating Companies because of high energy losses in a network and complicated cost allocation.



# Domestic hot water



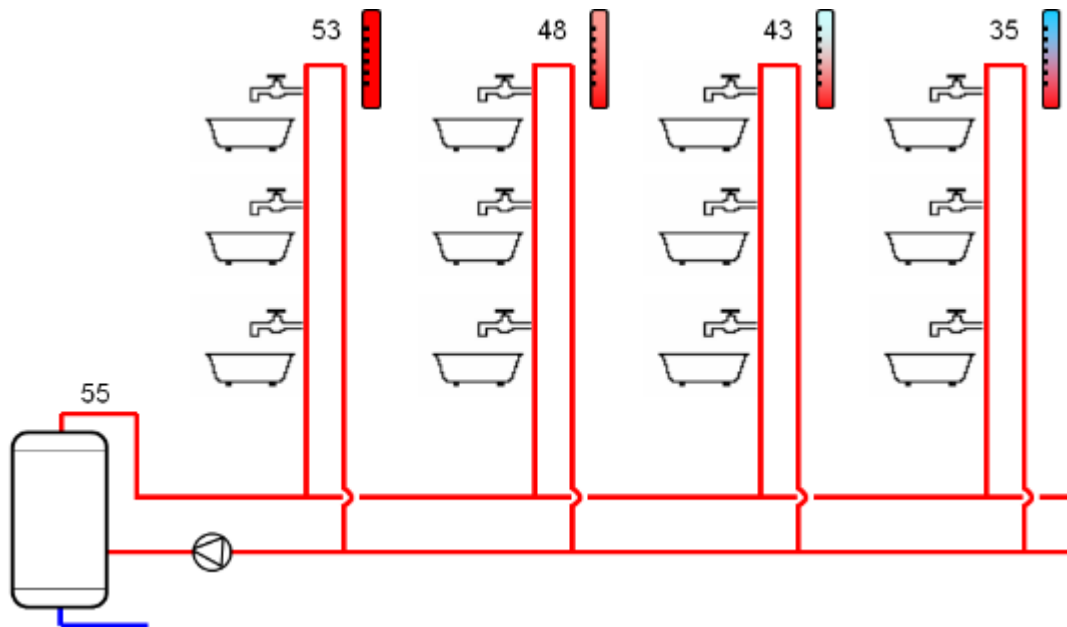
- Renovation or installation of new hot water control in multi family houses. Done by installation of new heat exchanger and hot water control. From self-acting thermostats to electronic controllers.
- Implemented by District Heating Companies because of high energy losses in a network.



# Unbalanced hot water system

Hot water to consumers is supplied in different temperature:

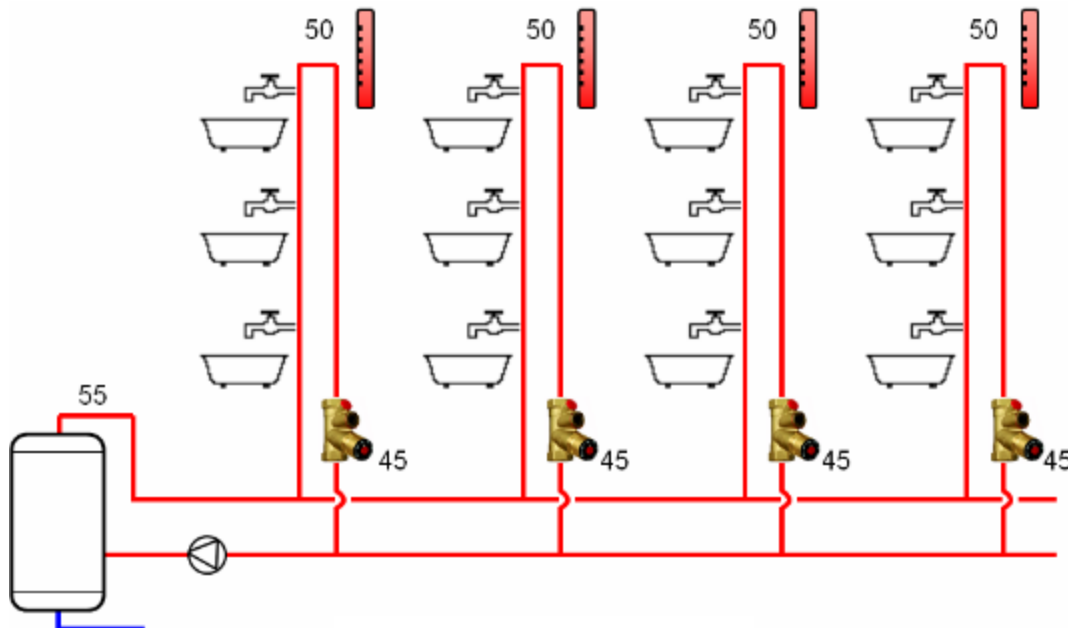
- The risk of *Legionella* bacteria infection is high. *Legionella* can survive in a lower than 20 °C temperature, but it does not multiply. It multiplies abundantly in warm water (22-43°C).
- Consumers which are located further from the heat substation consume more hot water



# Balanced hot water system

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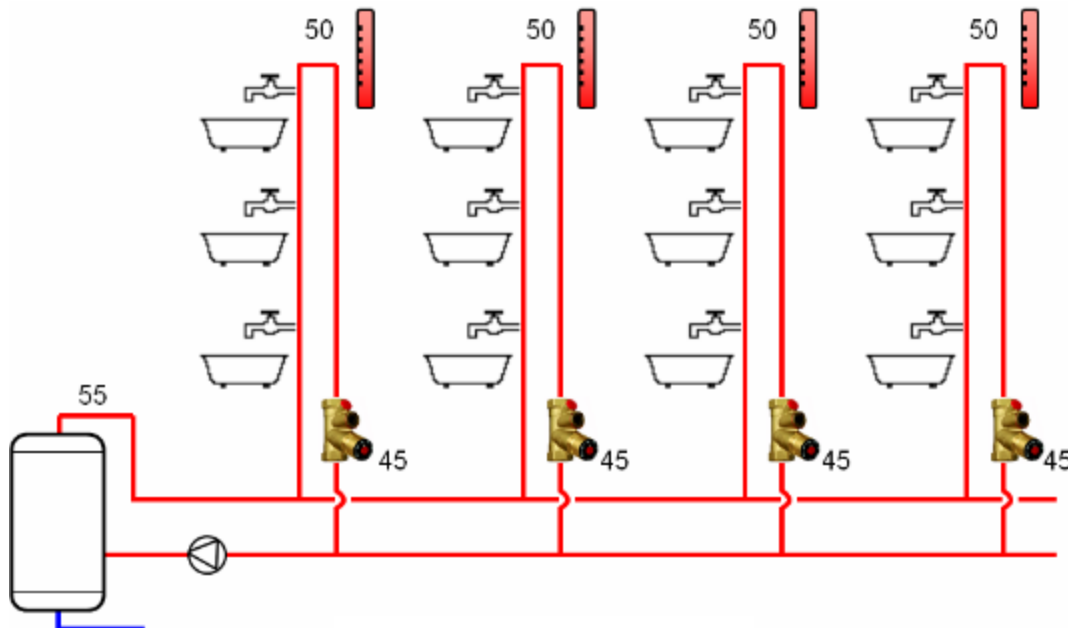
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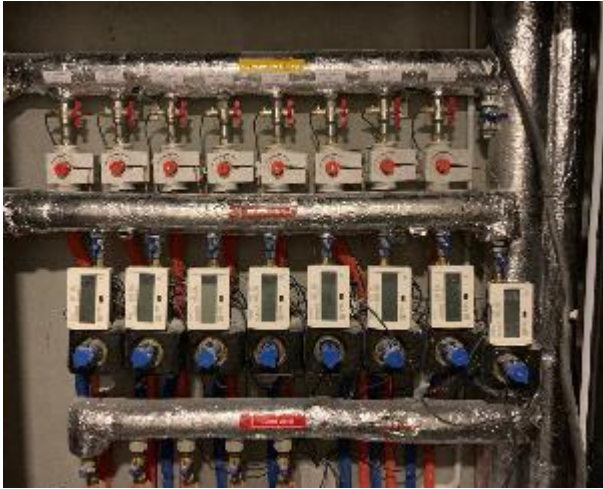
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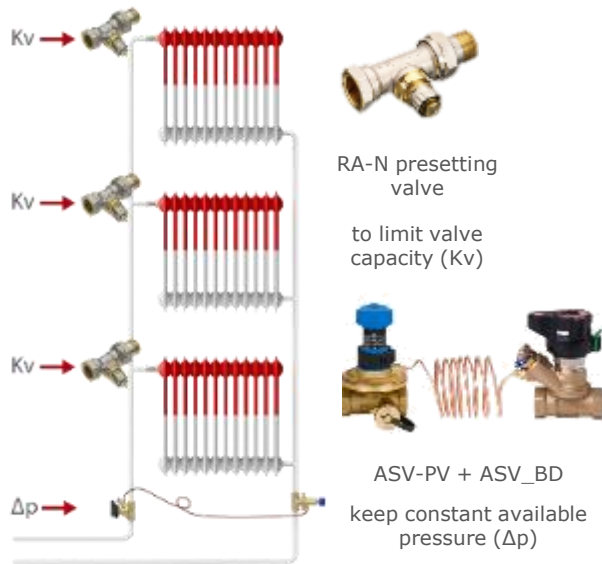
- Distribution manifolds contain metering and balancing of distribution branches.
- Heating systems are either floor or radiator heating.



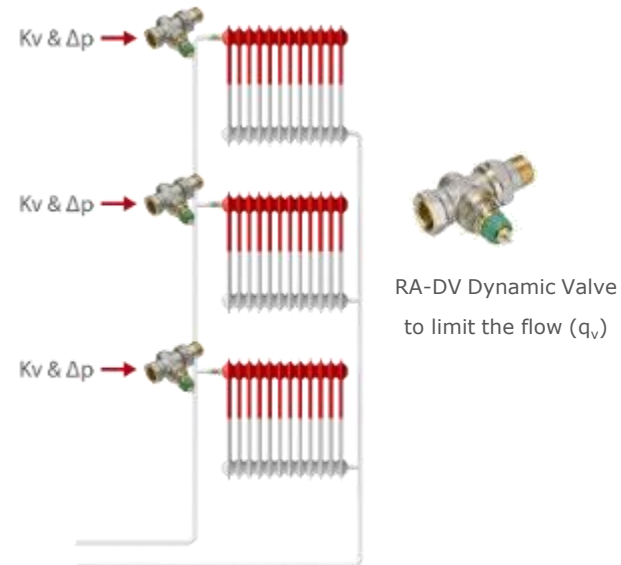
# ASV-PV pressure regulator or RA-DV dynamic thermostatic valve

Where shall we use what

## ■ Pressure stabilization

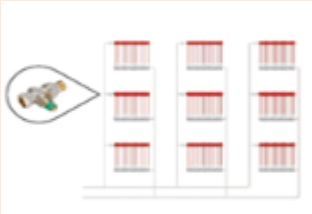



## ■ Pressure stabilization



# ASV-PV or RA-DV

Where shall we use what

Solution	Pressure	Radiator	System	Economy
<b>Radiator fitted Dynamic Valve™</b> 	Max differential pressure = 60 kPa	Max flow = 135 l/h P = 1570 W at $\Delta T = 10$ P = 2355 W at $\Delta T = 15$ P = 3140 W at $\Delta T = 20$	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Best choice for <b>complex riser design</b></li> <li>- Best choice when <b>risers/pipes are difficult to access</b></li> <li>- Best choice when <b>main riser/return pipes are distant</b> from each other</li> </ul>	Best choice for <b>risers with few radiators</b>
<b>Riser fitted ASV + radiator fitted RA-N</b> 	Max differential pressure = 250 kPa	No flow (l/h) limitations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Best choice if the <b>max differential pressure is unknown</b></li> <li>- Best choice when <b>well-functioning pre-setting valves are present</b></li> <li>- Only choice for systems with <b>built-in valves</b></li> </ul>	Best choice for <b>risers with many radiators</b>



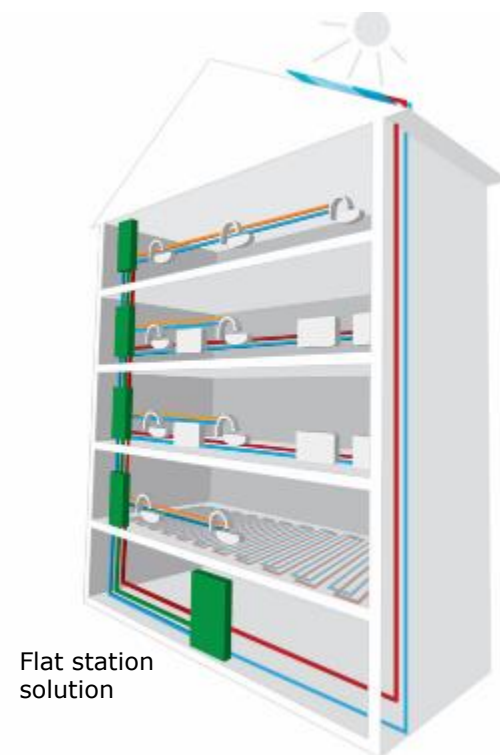
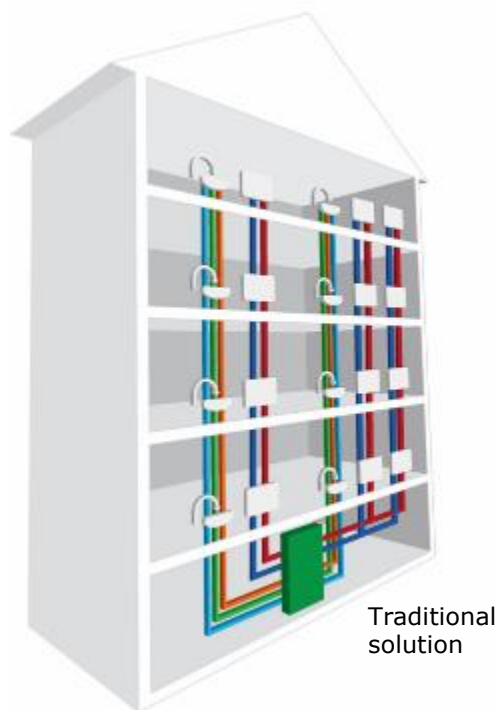
# The evolution of flat stations for flats and apartment buildings

## Since flat stations

- Simplified system design
- Reduced number of pipes
- Increased comfort for residents
- Increased energy efficiency
- Fair heat cost

**Flat stations outperform traditional systems**

Legionella contamination



# Flat stations



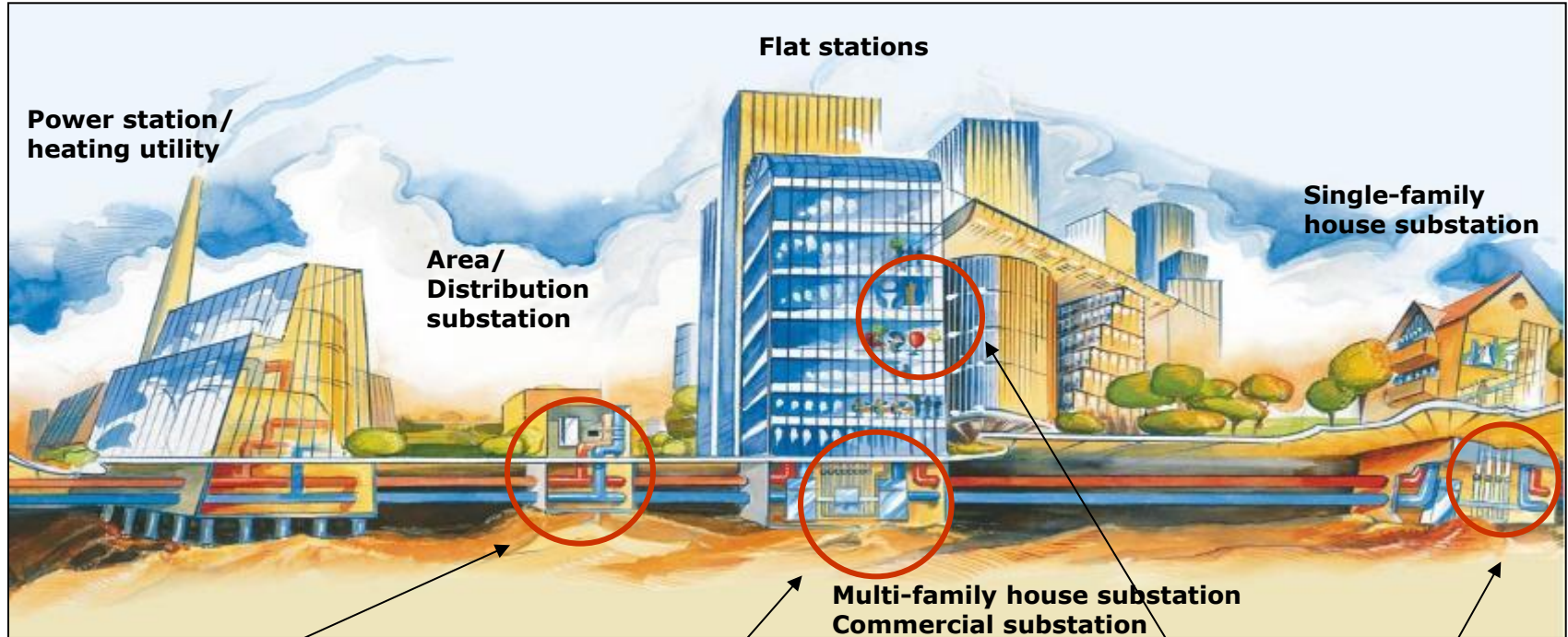
- Central station is supplying energy to a station in a flat (staircase). Hot water is made for each flat separately.
- Clear costs of consumption for energy and water.



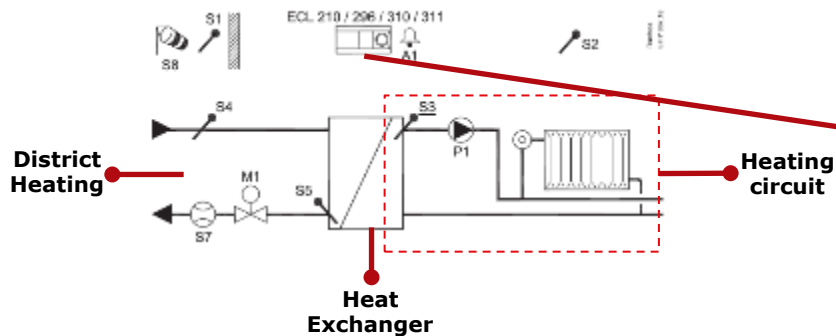
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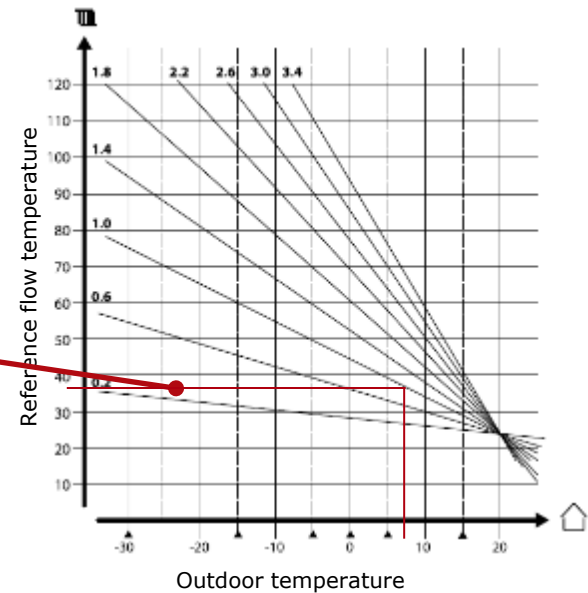
# Designed for every application



# Heat curve enabling the Weather Compensation

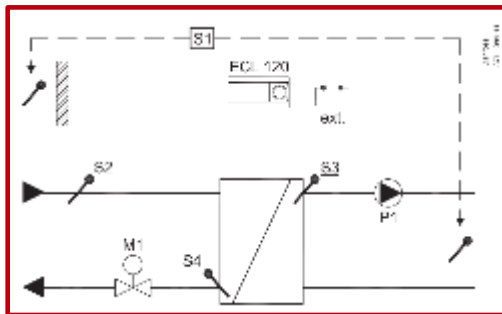


Heat curve diagram

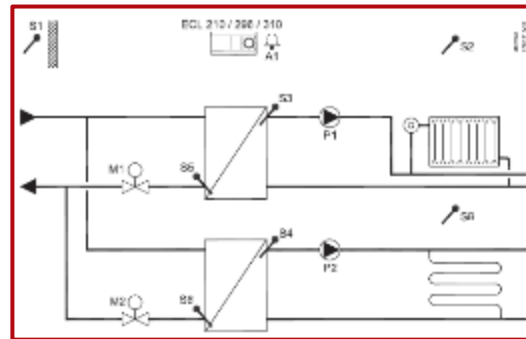


# Typical Heating applications

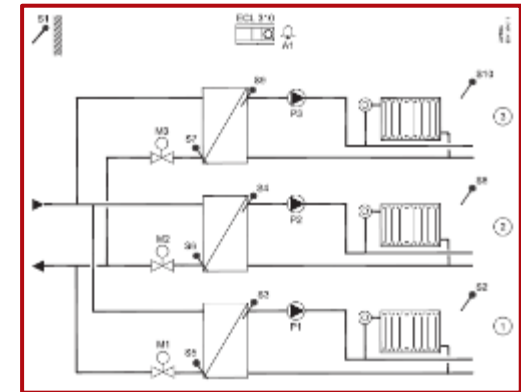
One circuit



2 circuits



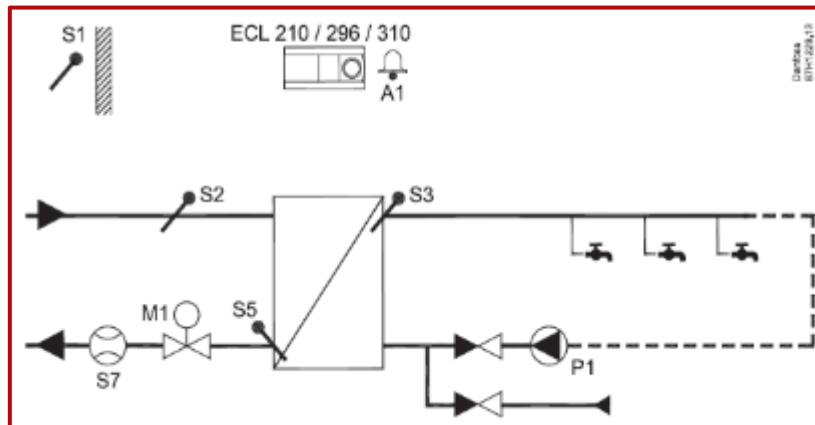
Multi circuits



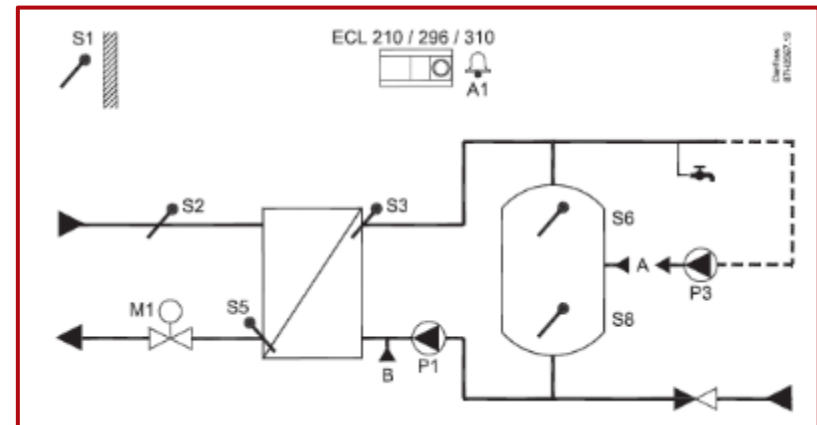


# Domestic Hot Water (DHW) applications

Instantaneous

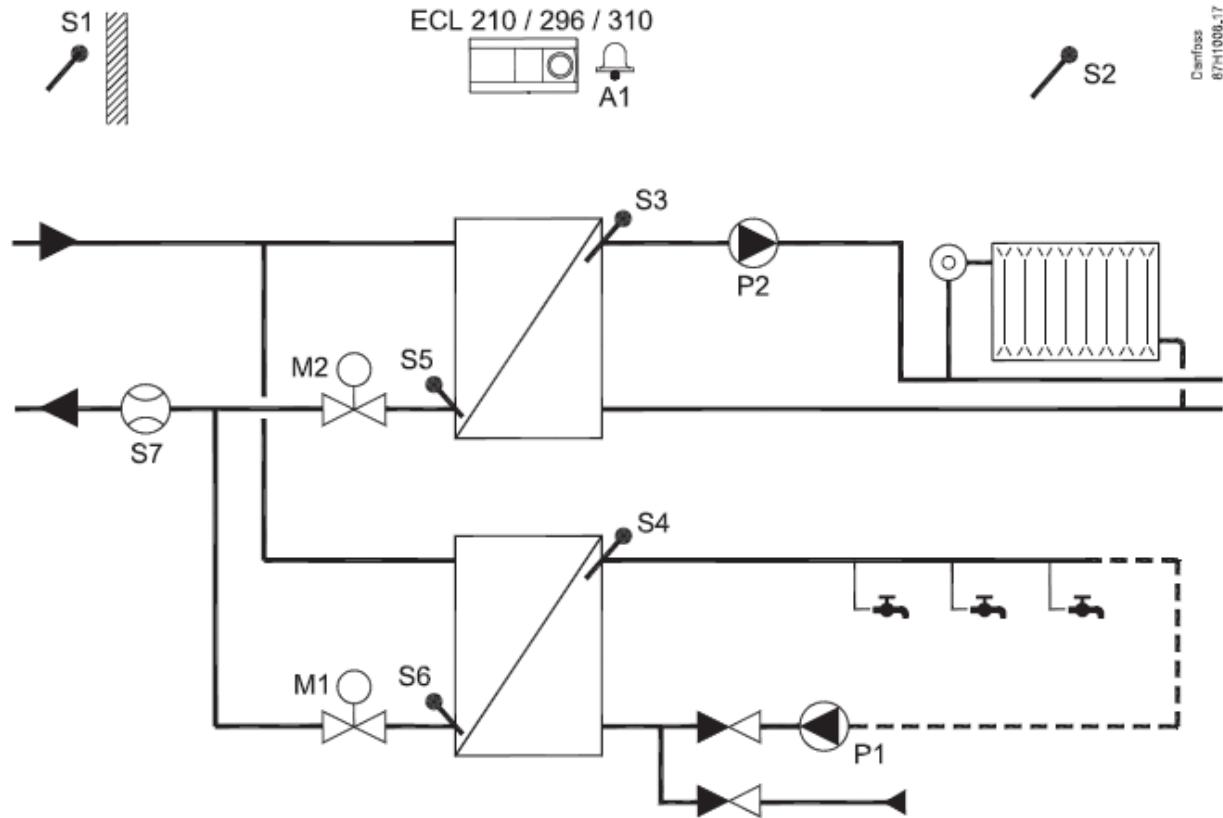


Charging system

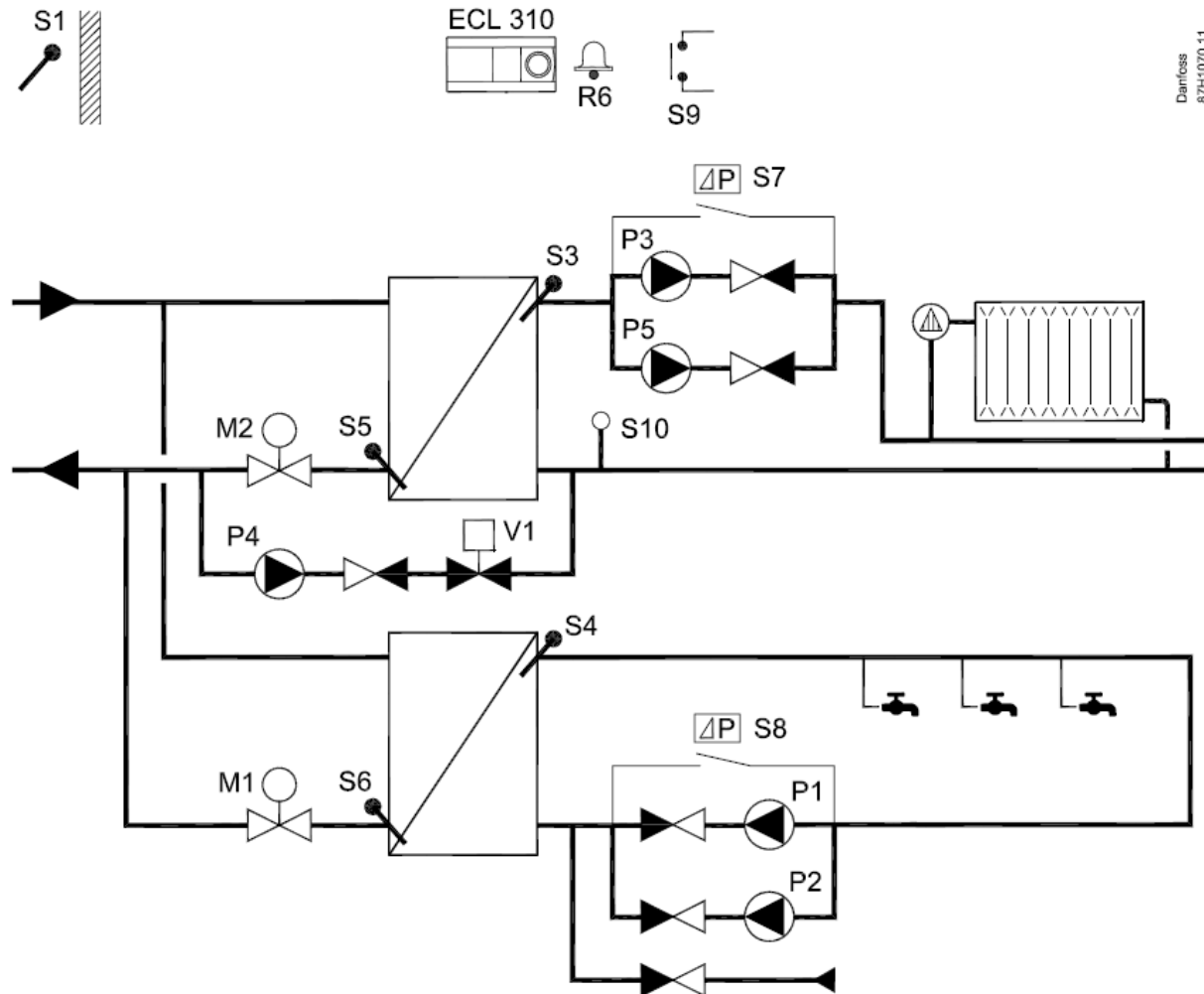




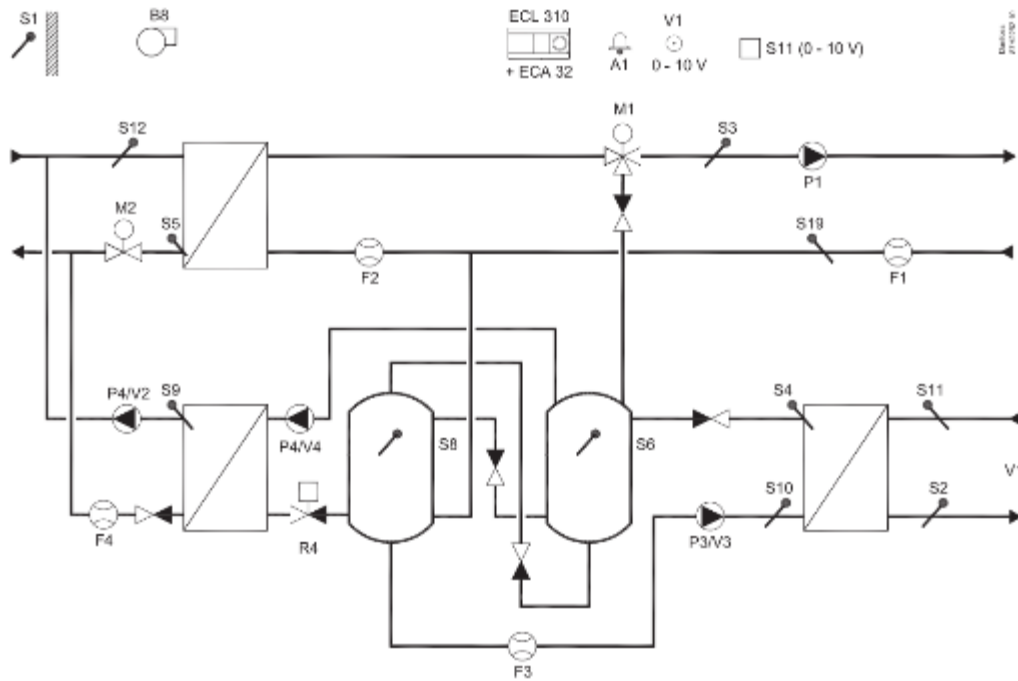
# Typical application for residential building



# Advanced application for residential building

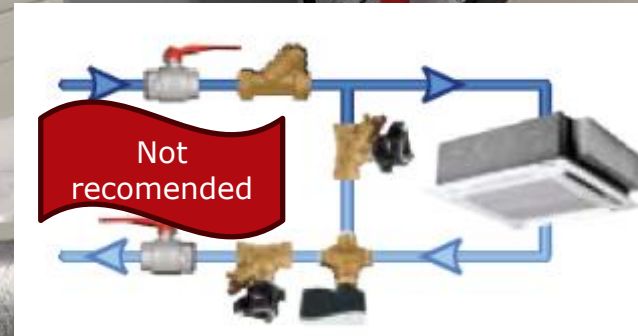
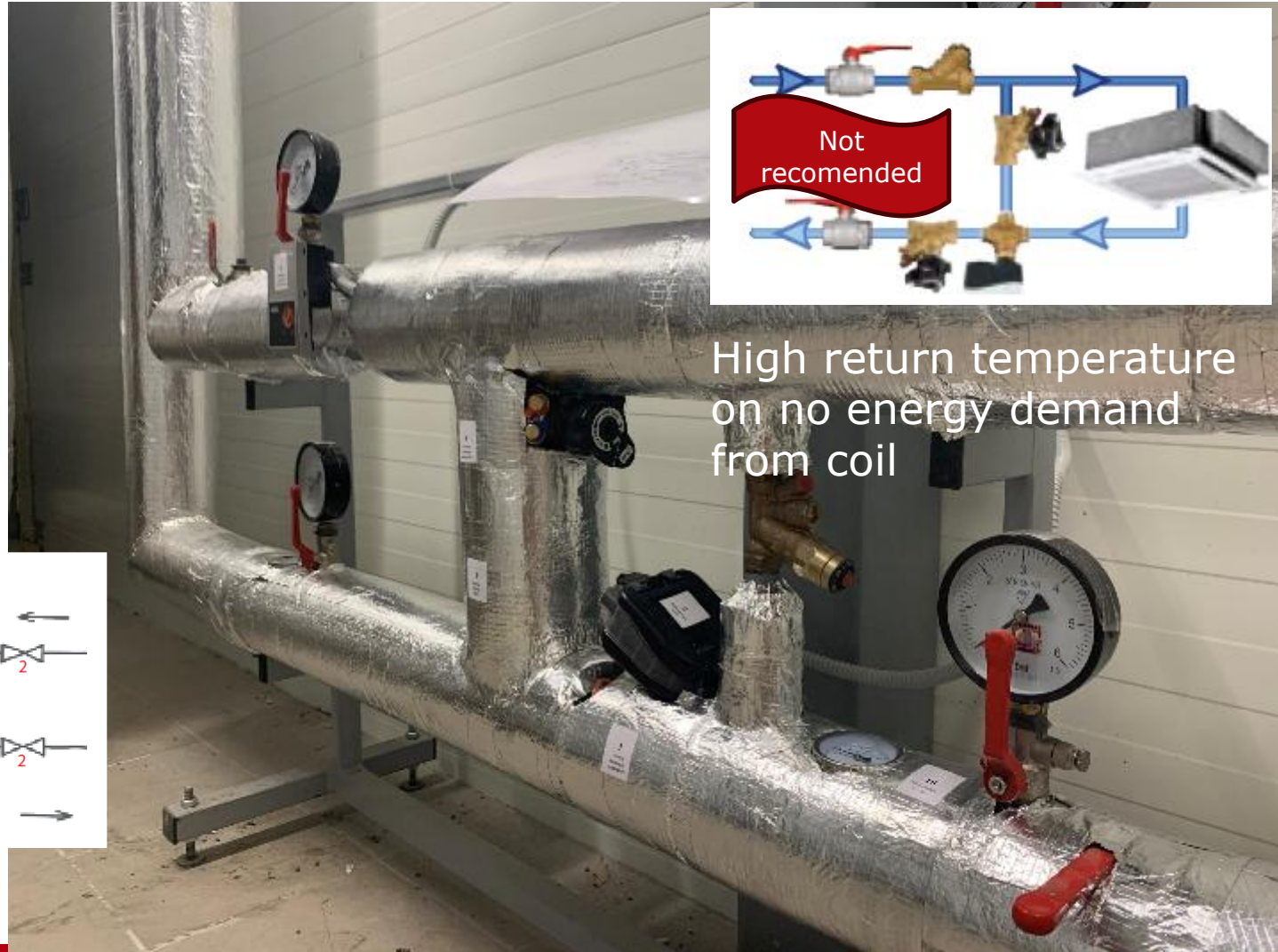
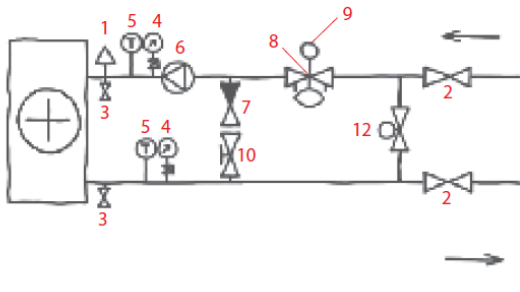


# Heat recovery (HRU)



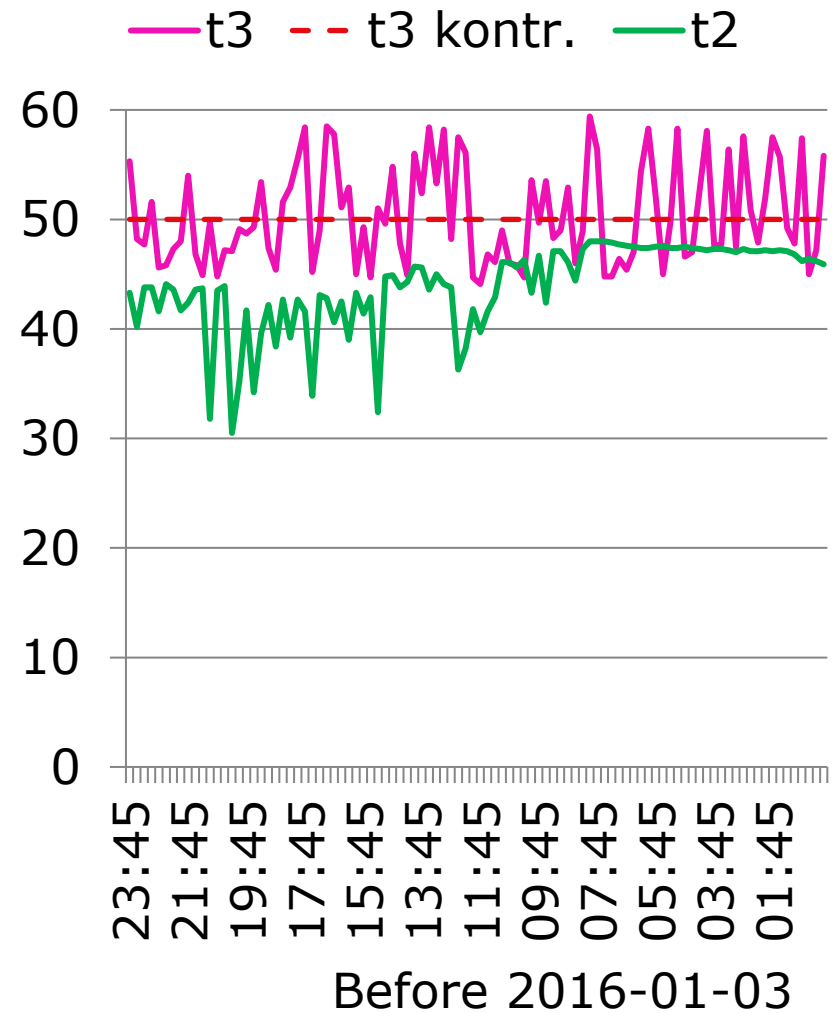
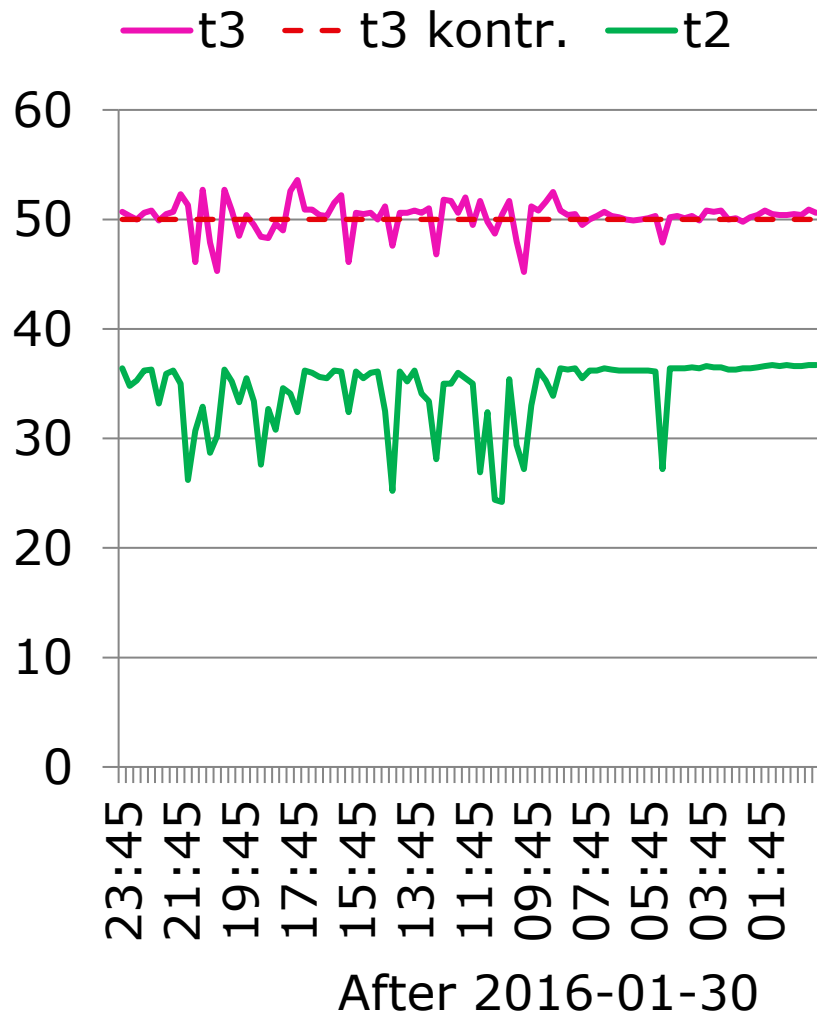
# Air handling unit solution

- Variable flow
- Low return



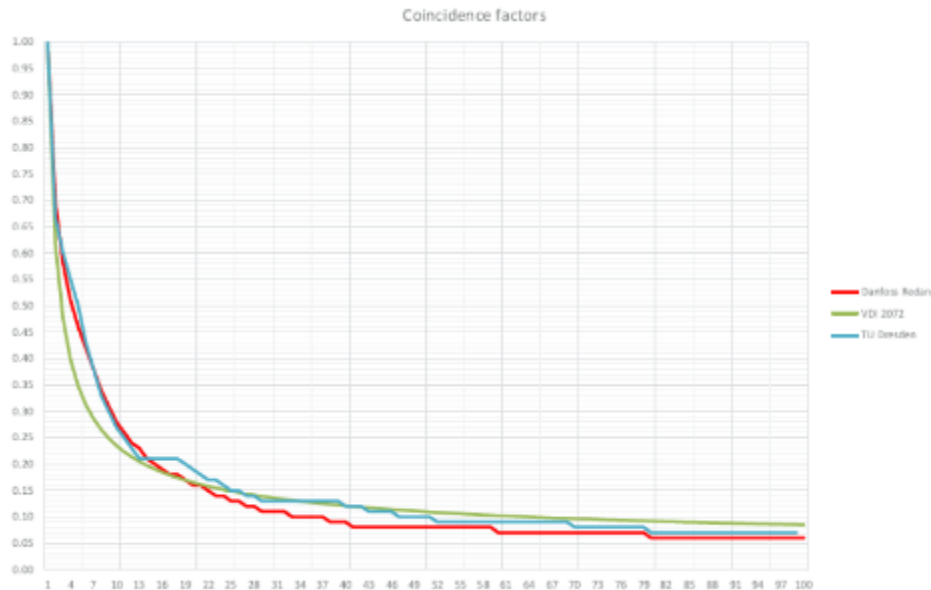
High return temperature  
on no energy demand  
from coil

# Remote commissioning



# Demand for Hot water. Calculated vs realized

- Coincide factors
- From 140 kW to 300kW
- Historical data
- Realized < 100 kW



# iNET - Intelligent network balancing



## Optimal network design

ENERGY **SOURCE**  
AND TRANSPORTATION  
NETWORK



**DISTRIBUTION**  
NETWORK

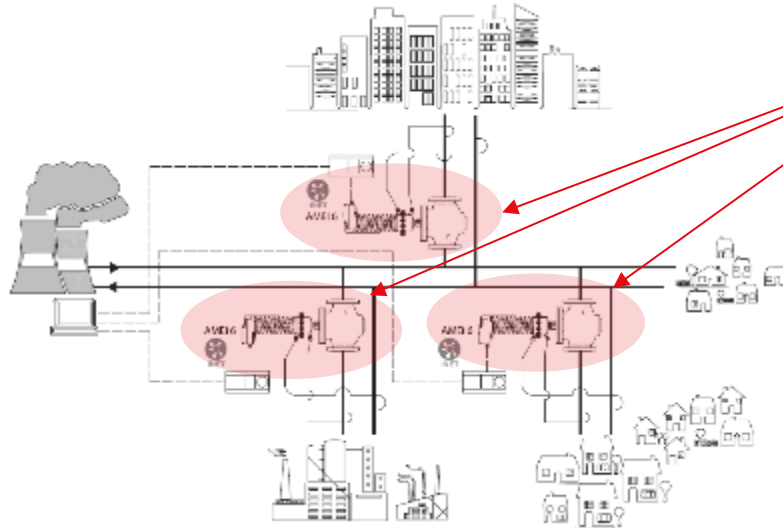


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Changing heat consumption requires changes in heat distribution. Therefore the  $\Delta p$  should be optimized at each branch. With **iNET** the  $\Delta p$  can be remotely adjusted.

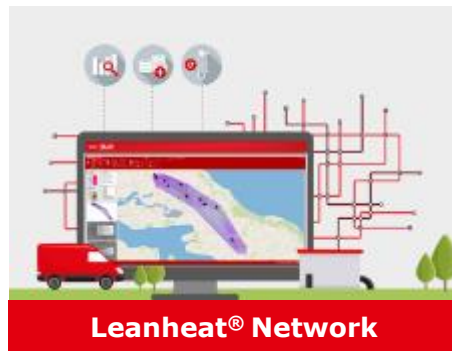
Input for pump optimization.





# Danfoss offering

- Wide portfolio for heating and cooling applications.



**Value of data:**  
flow, supply & return temperature, power, alarms, position of valves etc.



# Information

- Information in slides and more...



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