

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





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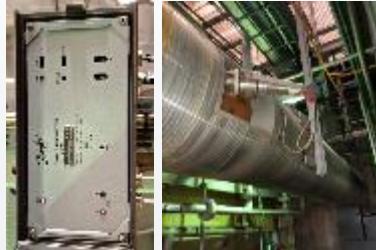


Energy measurement

# 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

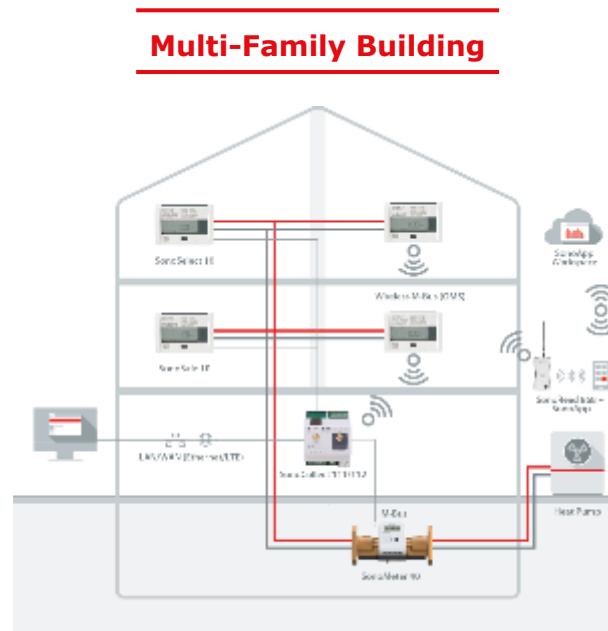
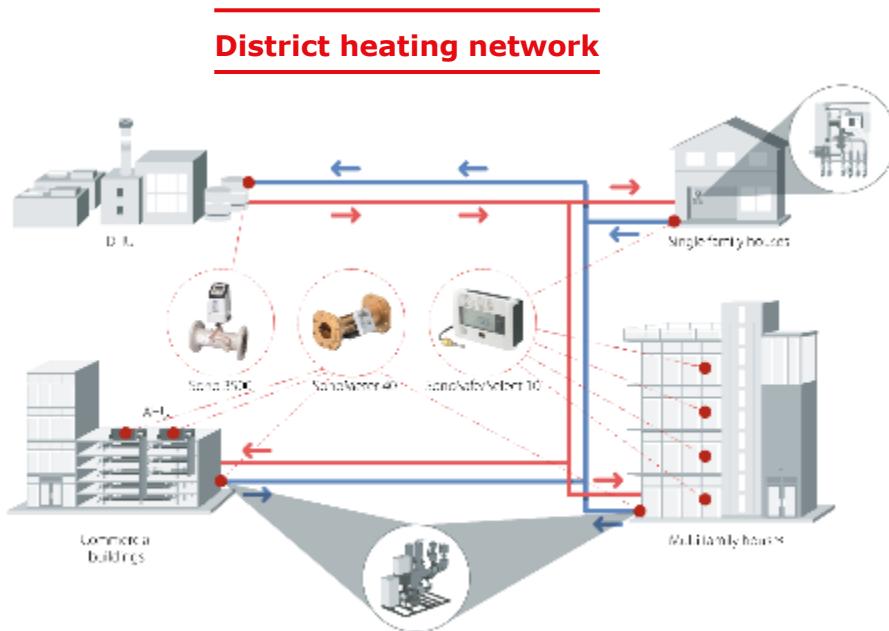
**First meter configurable via App**



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 [%]

## 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

## Temperature sensors class 2

$$E_t = \left( 0,5 + 3 \frac{\Delta\vartheta_{min}}{\Delta\vartheta} \right), \text{ where the error relates to the}$$

indicated value of the relationship between temperature sensor pair output and temperature difference

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

or which the system is rated

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

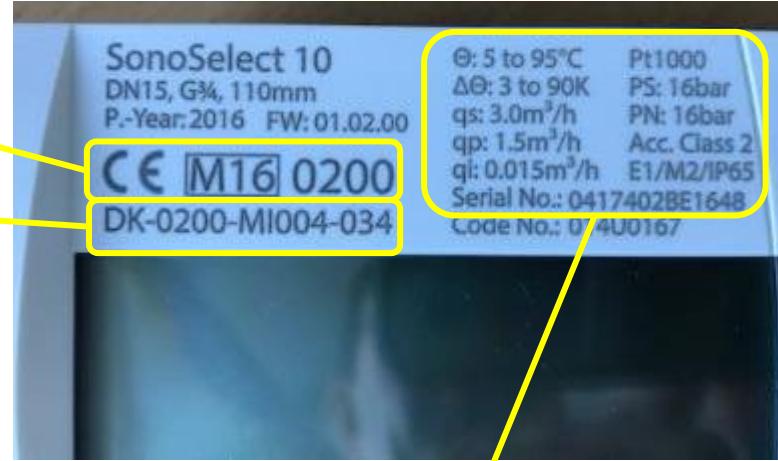
## Energy calculator class 2

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

# Approval and marking according to MID

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

Type approval no.



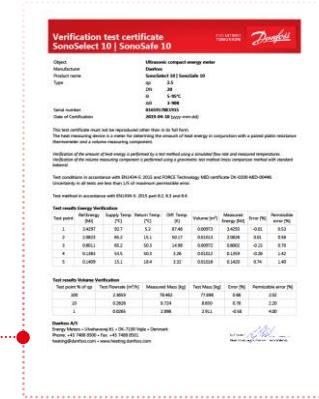
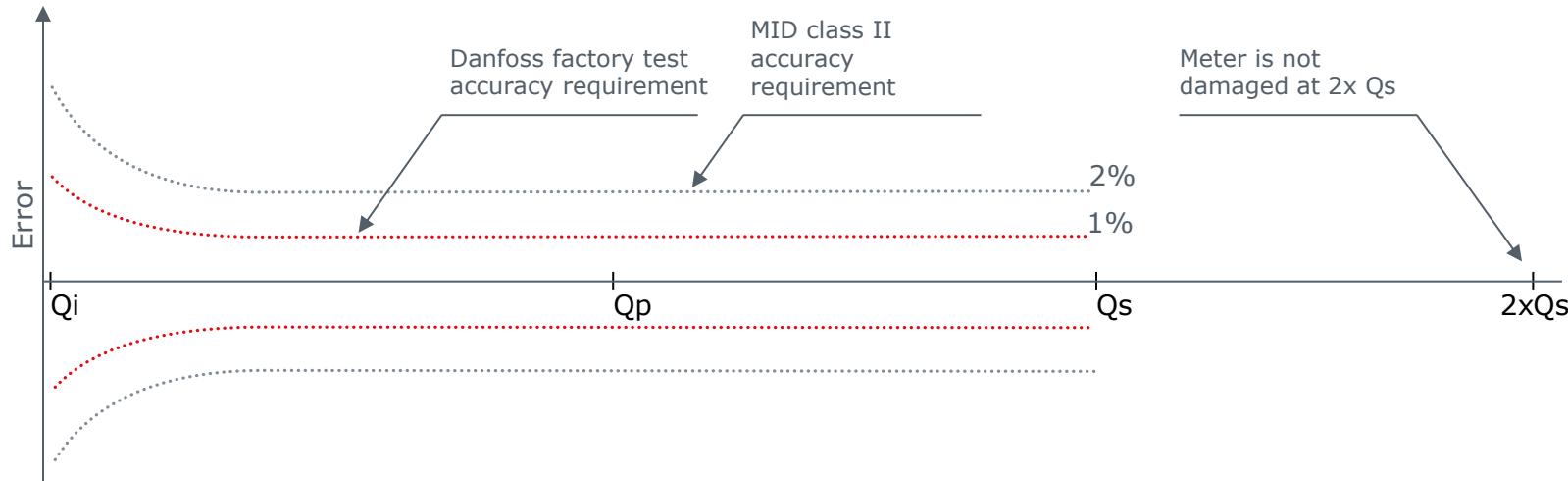
Metrologically required data about performance parameters and serial no.

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



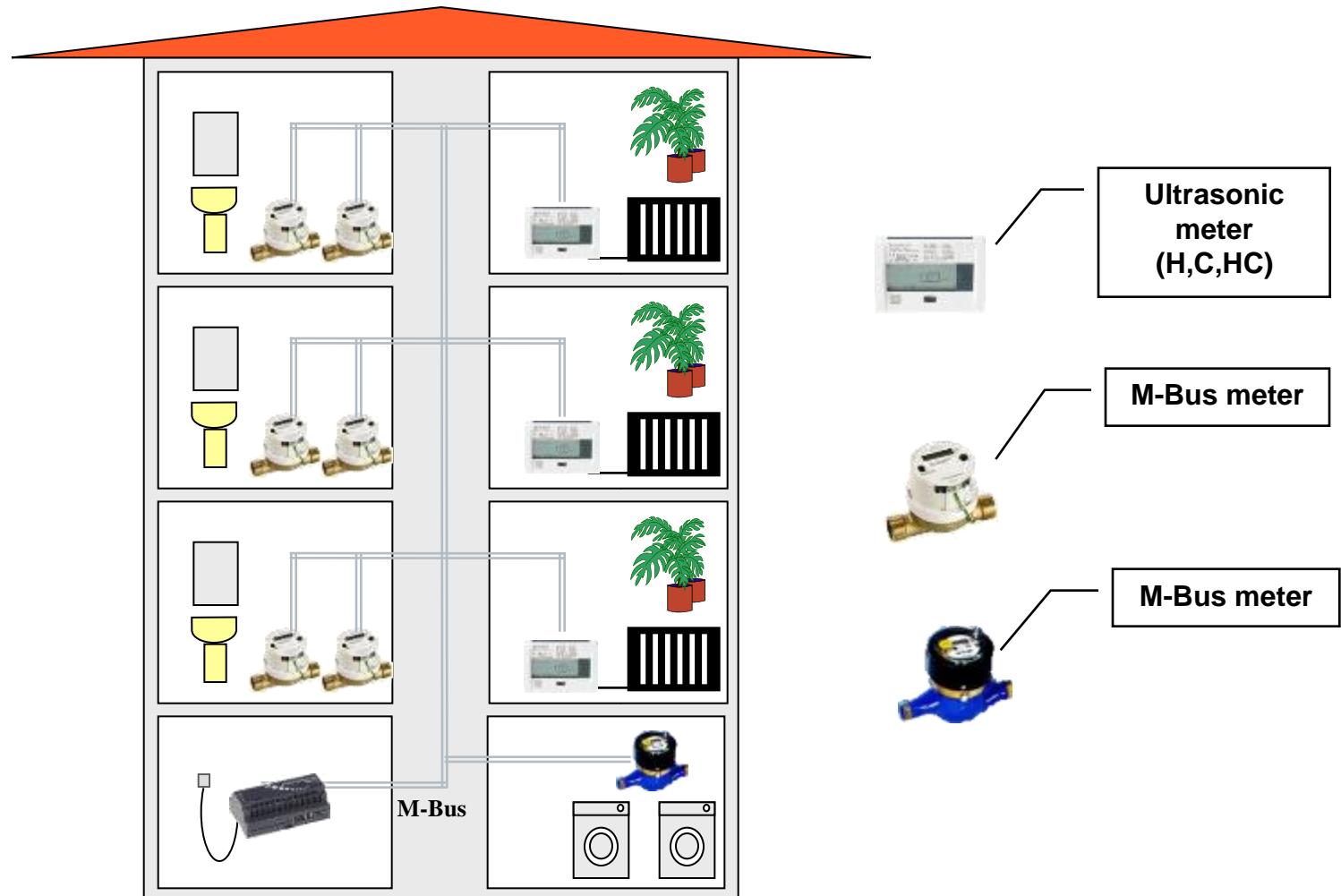
# High accuracy over product lifetime

- 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).



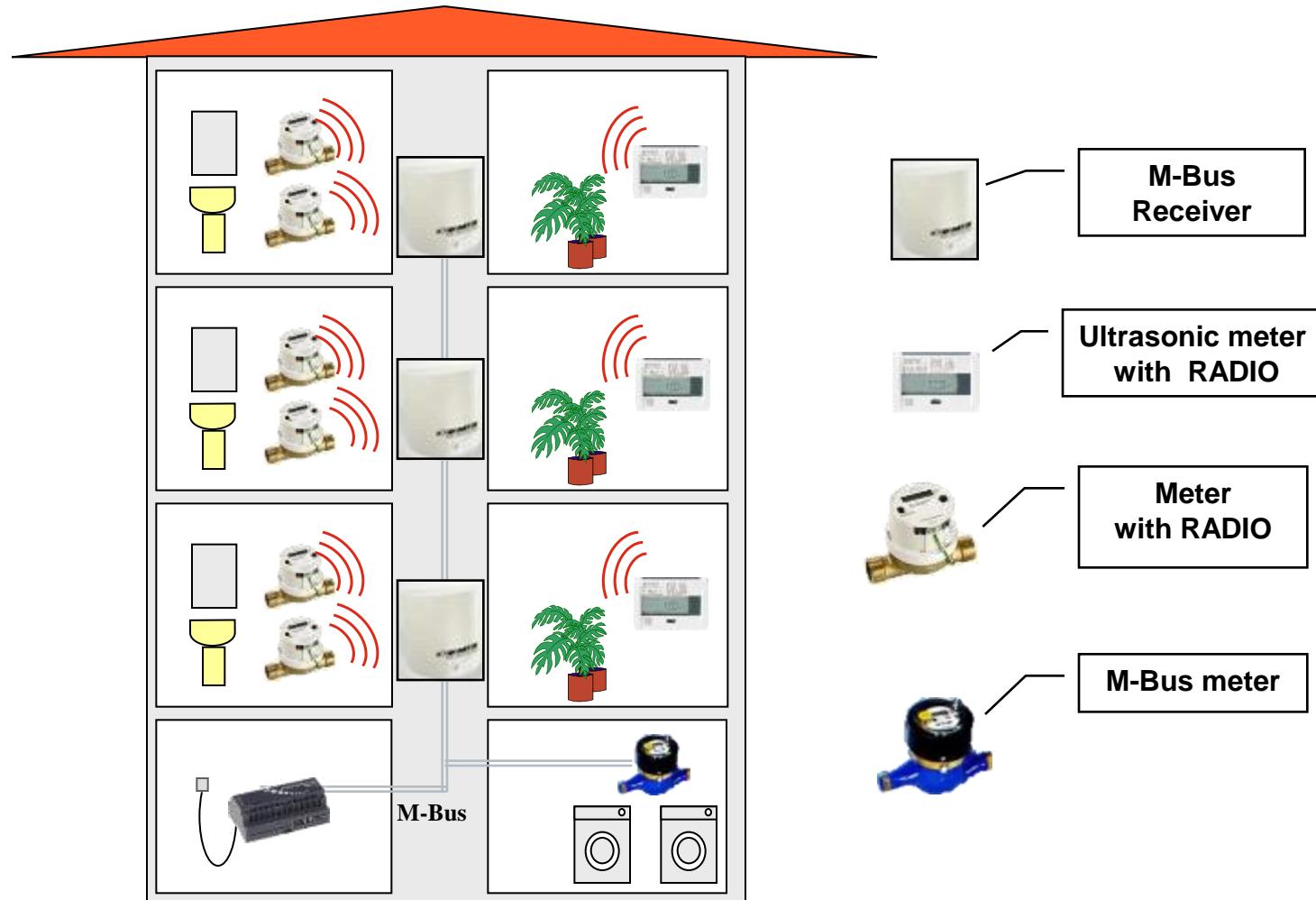
# Consumption monitoring

- Wired M-Bus network. Cable work is needed



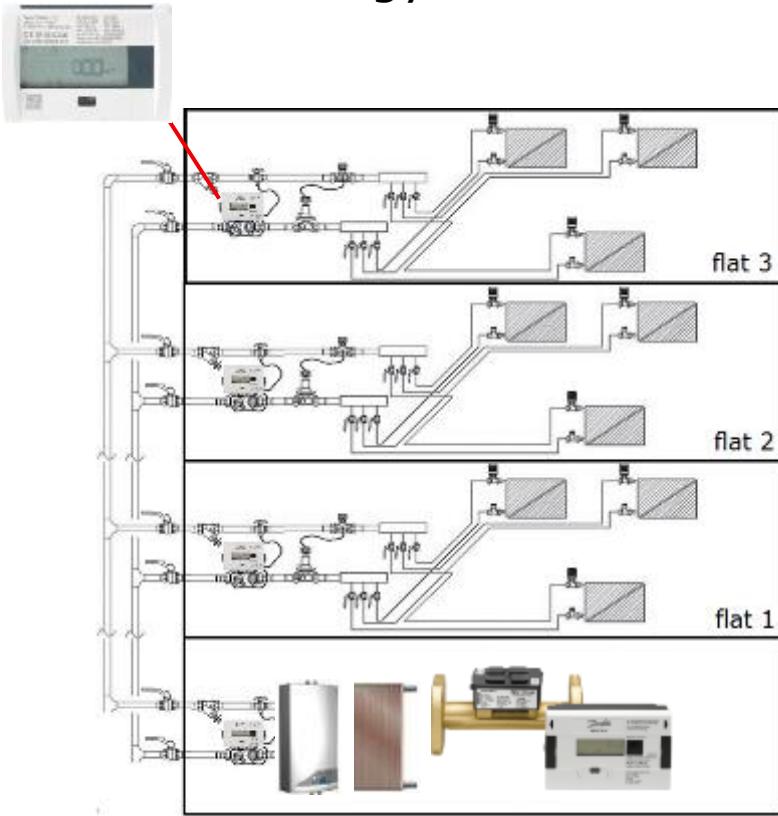
# Consumption monitoring

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

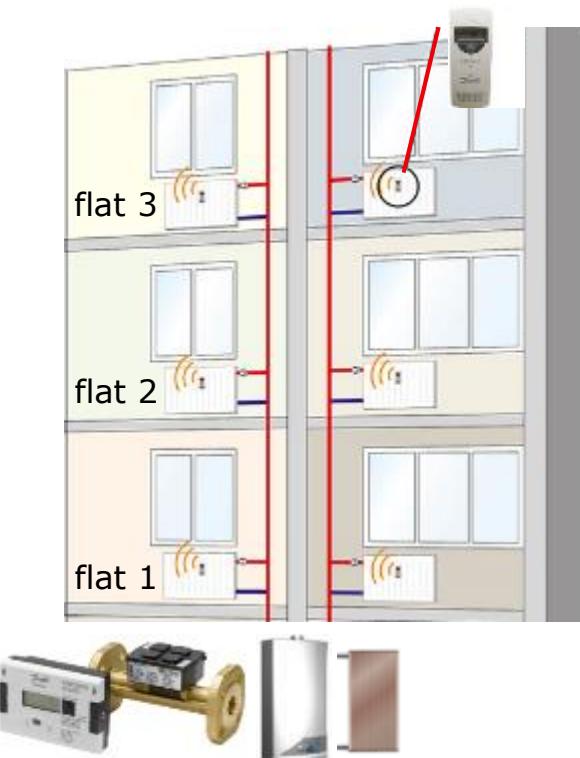


# Horizontal vs vertical heating system

- Thermal energy meters

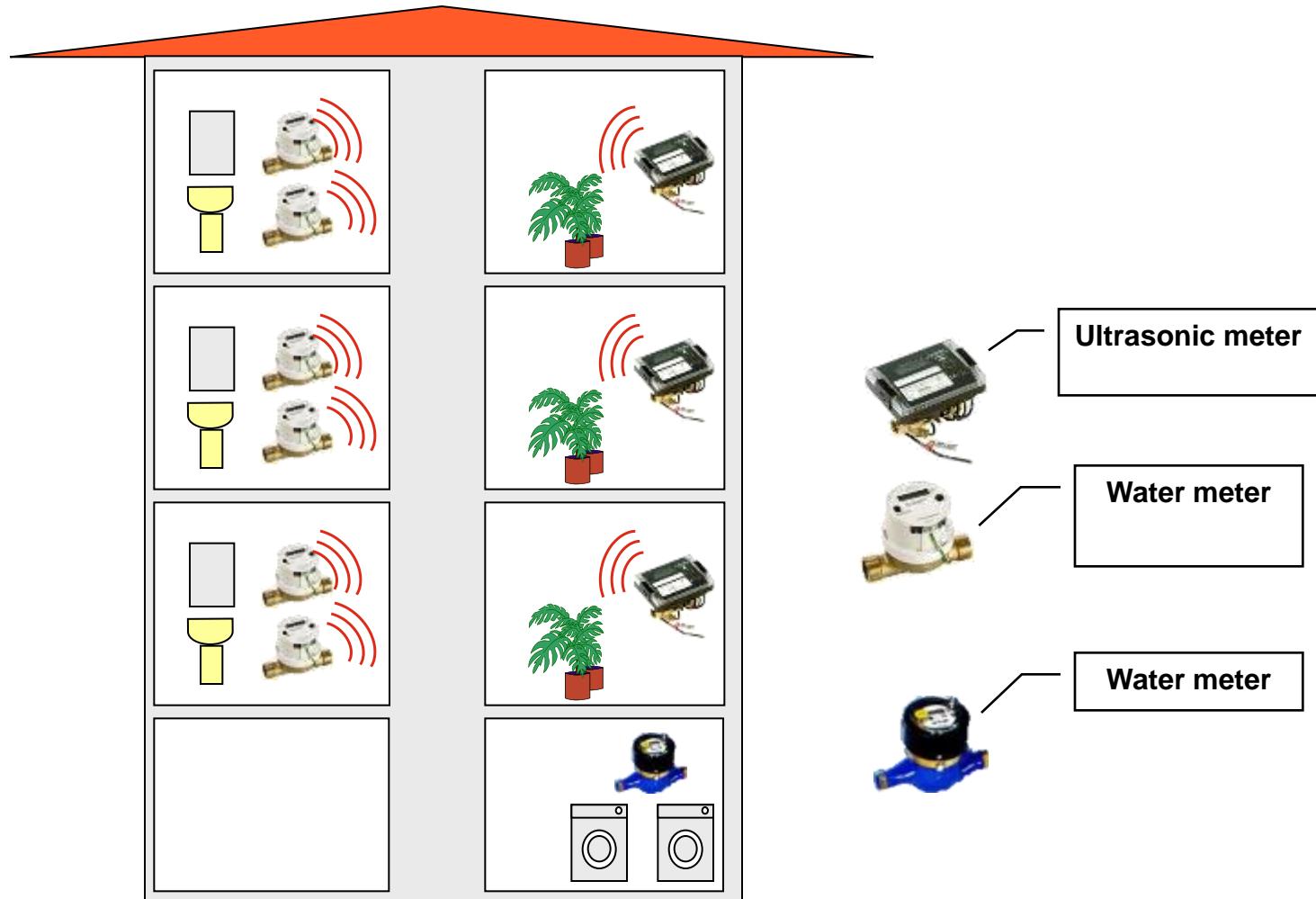


- Heat cost allocators. Mainly renovation.



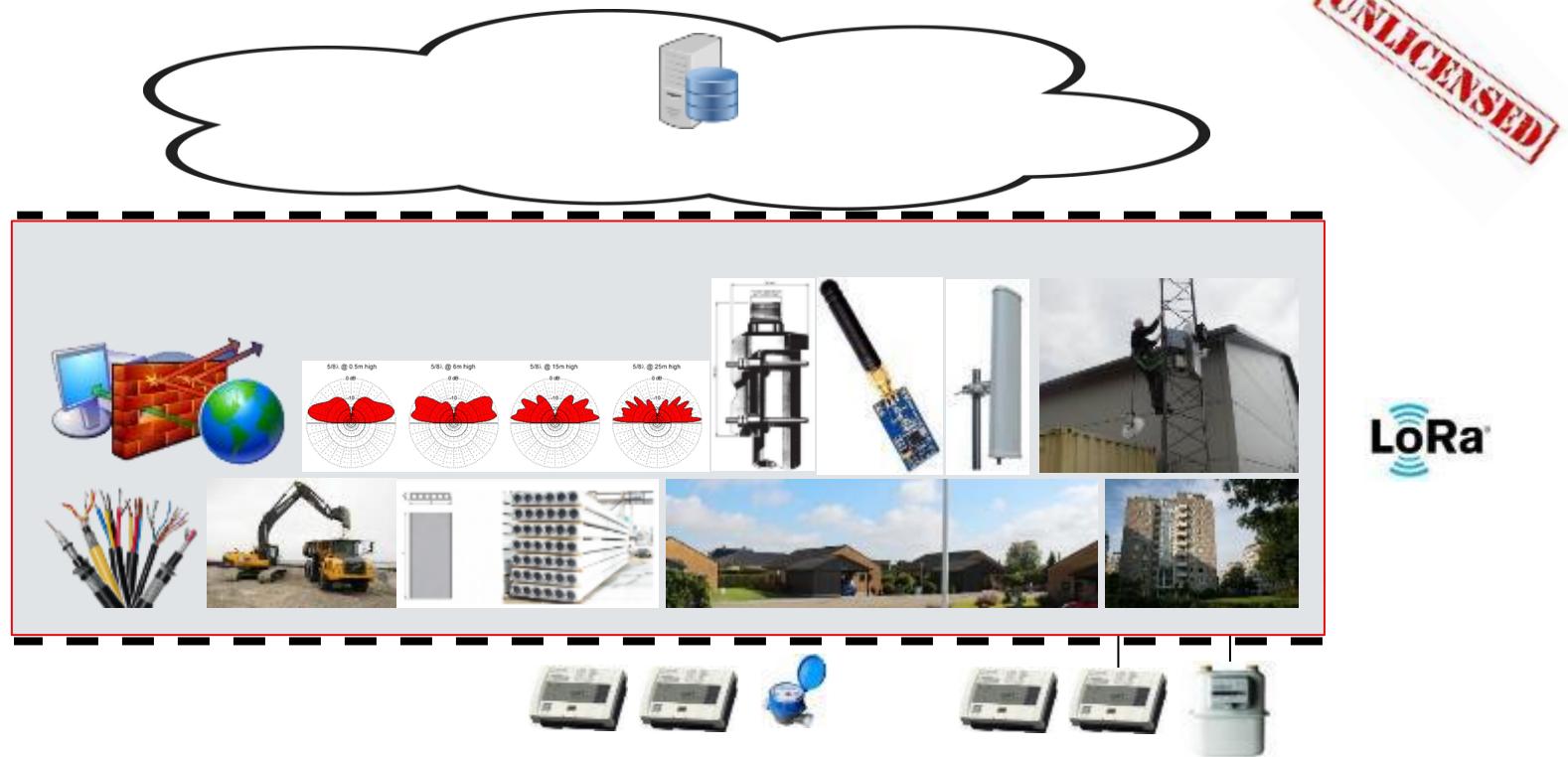
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- LoRa or NB-IoT network



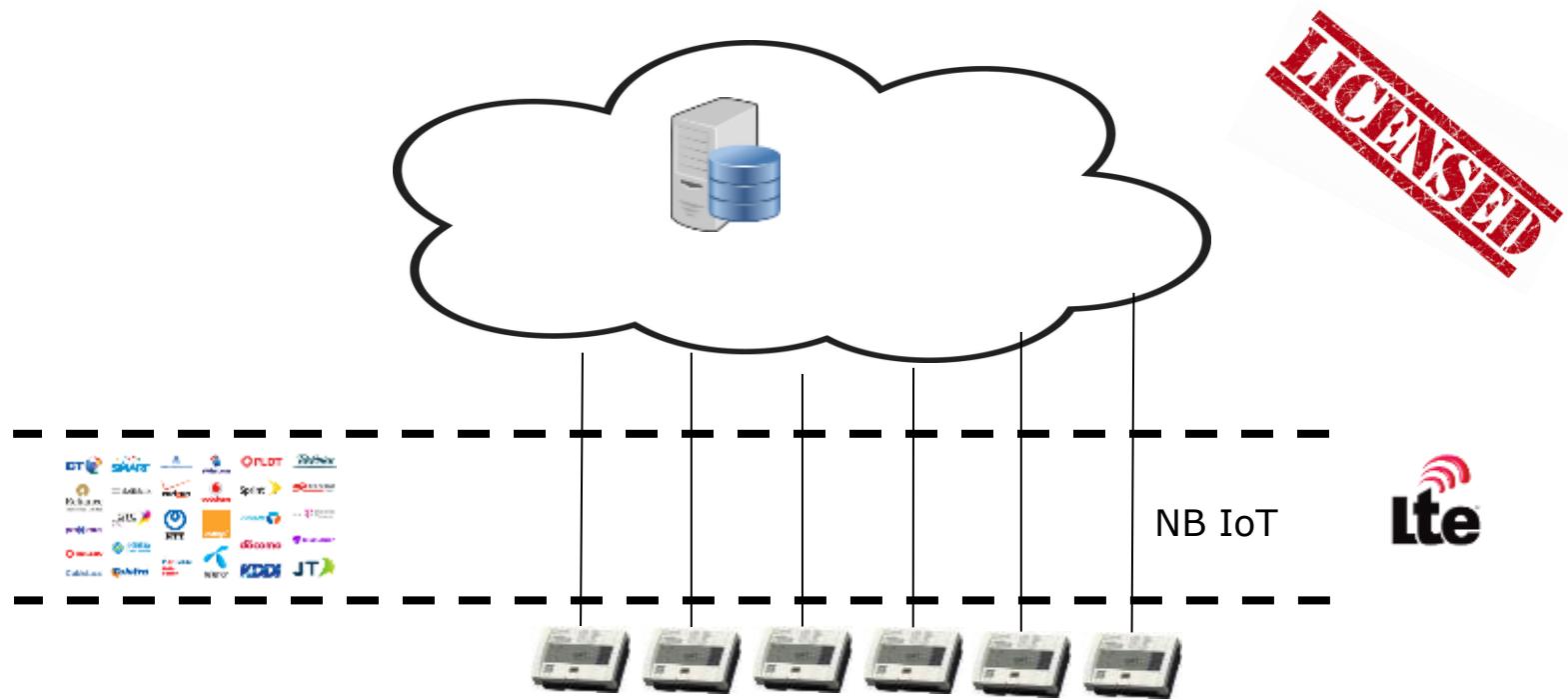
# LoRa

- Who establish, own and run the infrastructure ?



# NB-IoT

- No need for infrastructure, which is already there



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

# Renovation

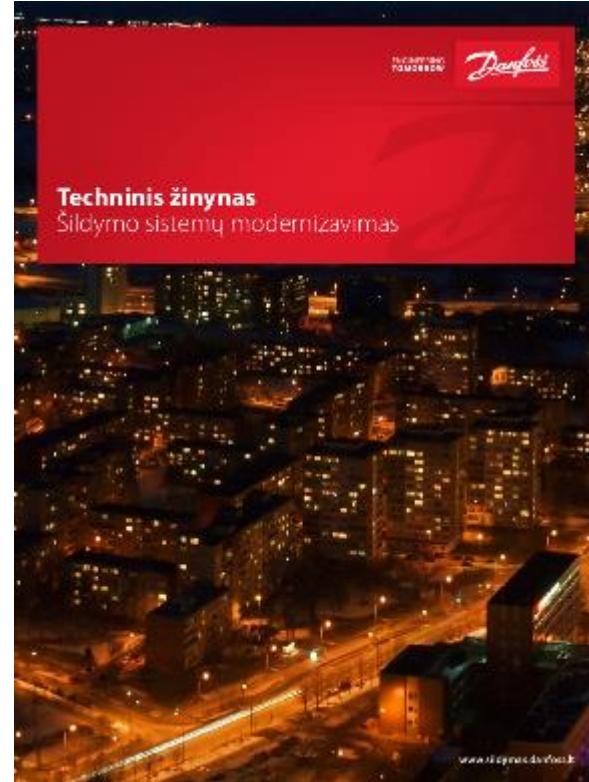
## Projects

- Projects and savings were illustrated.



## Technical manual

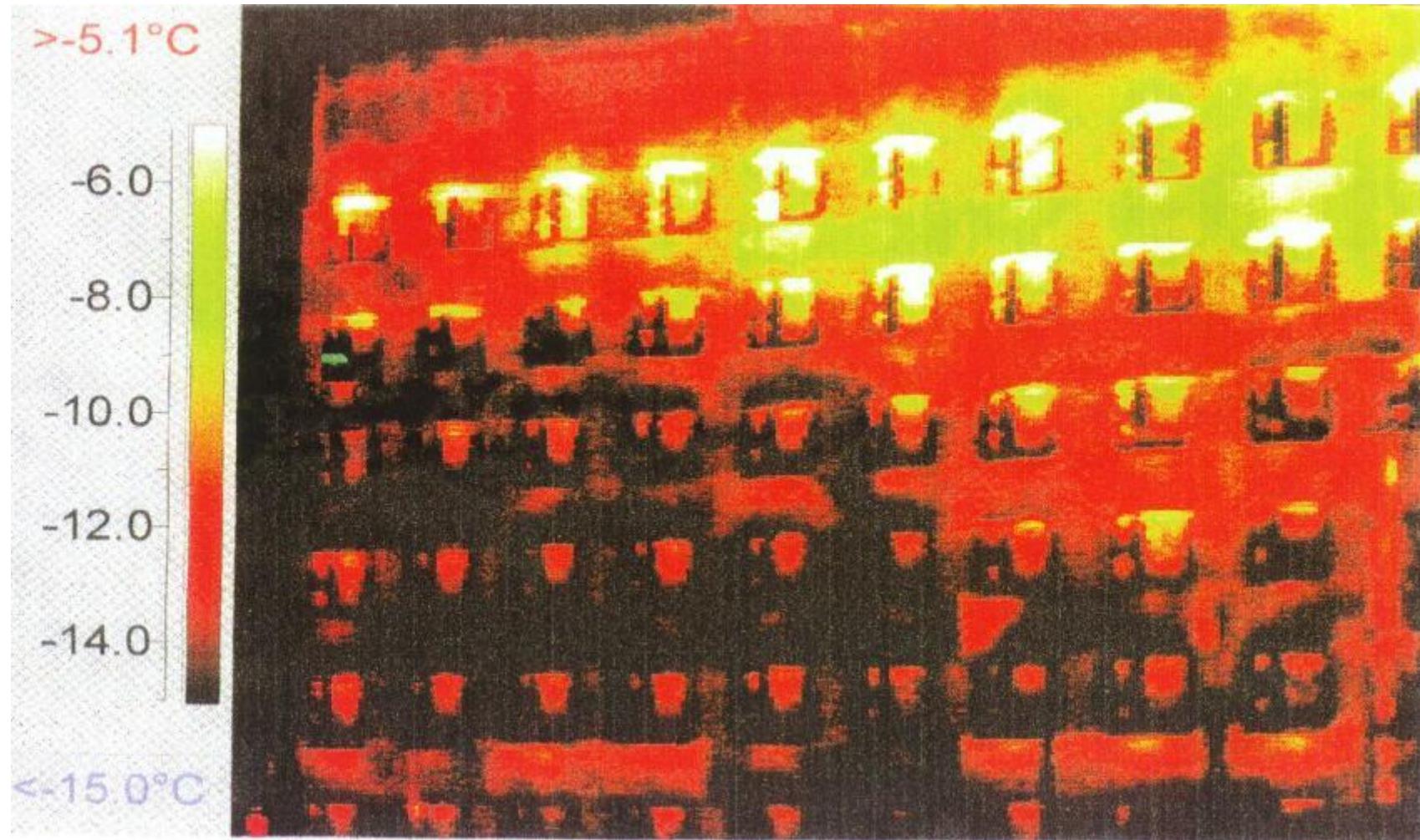
- The focus was on how to do.



# Outcome of projects

	<b>One pipe</b>	<b>Two pipe. Vertical</b>	<b>Two pipe. Horizontal</b>	<b>Flat station</b>
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 Space to make reference to the energy certification procedure used	As built calculated*	In use measured**
	C	D
Very energy efficient  A  B  C  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)**

# АВТОМАТИЗАЦИЯ СИСТЕМ ОТОПЛЕНИЯ



## РАДИАТОРНЫЕ ТЕРМО- РЕГУЛЯТОРЫ



## АВТОМАТИЧЕСКИЕ БАЛАНСИРОВОЧНЫЕ КЛАПАНЫ СТОЯКОВ



## ТЕПЛО- ПУНКТЫ



The diagram consists of four horizontal arrows pointing to the right, arranged vertically. The top arrow is yellow and labeled 'D'. The second arrow is orange and labeled 'E'. The third arrow is orange and labeled 'F'. The bottom arrow is red and labeled 'G'.

## ШАРОВЫЕ КРАНЫ, ПРОБКОВЫЕ КРАНЫ, НЕРЕГУЛИРОВАННЫЕ

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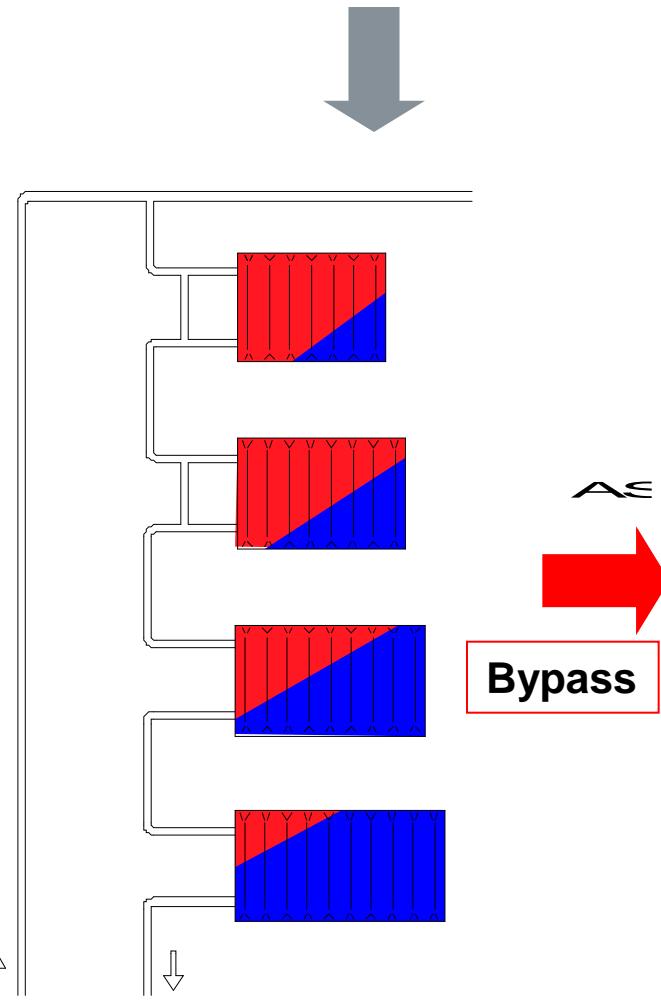
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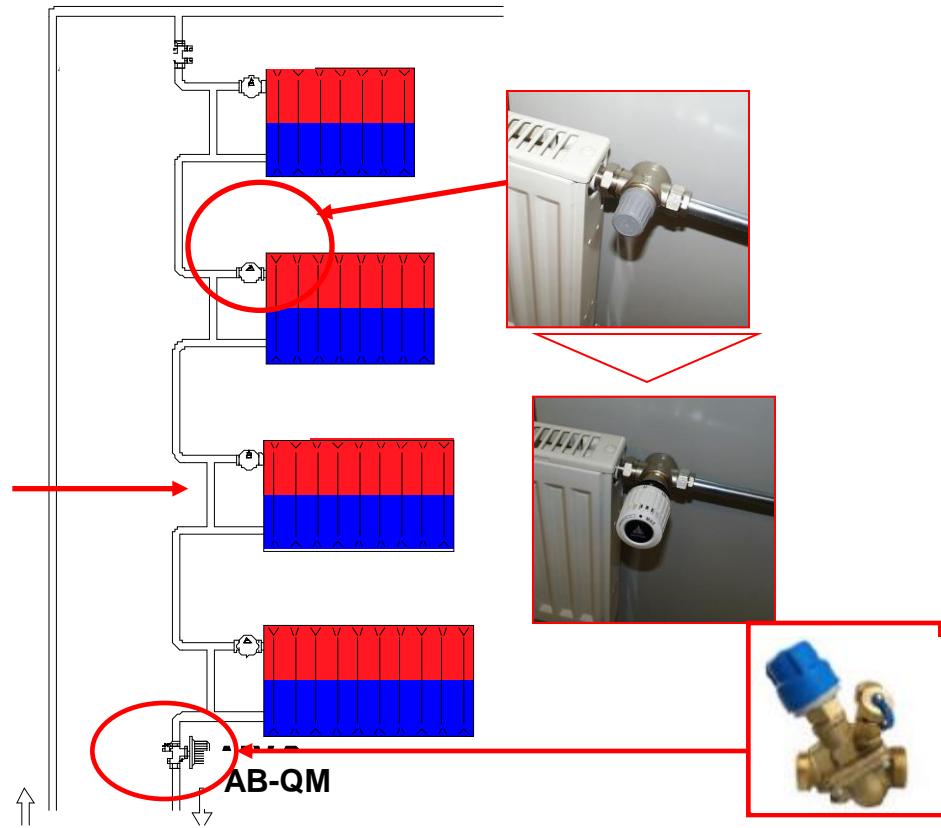
# One pipe system

## Before



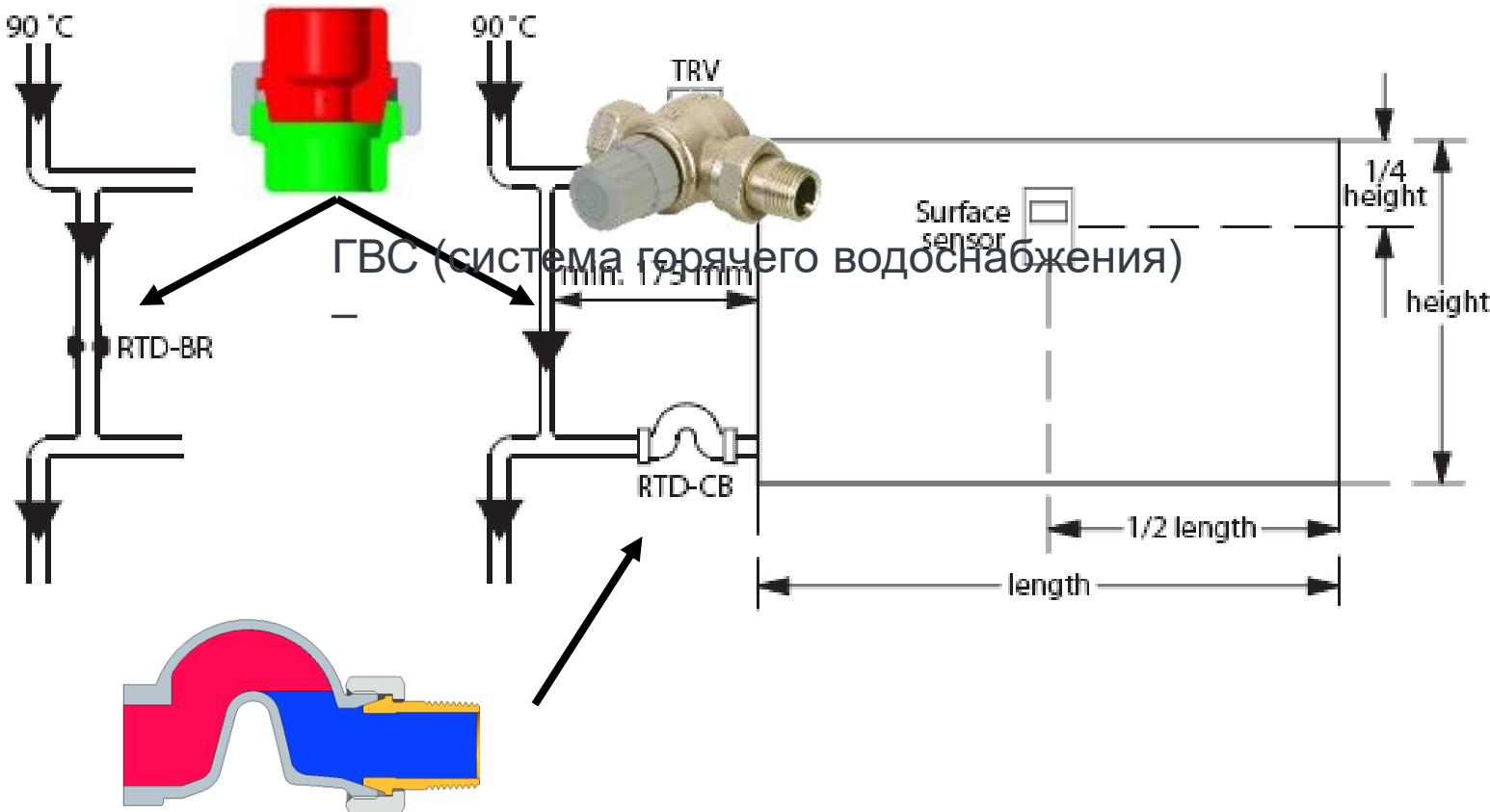
## After

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



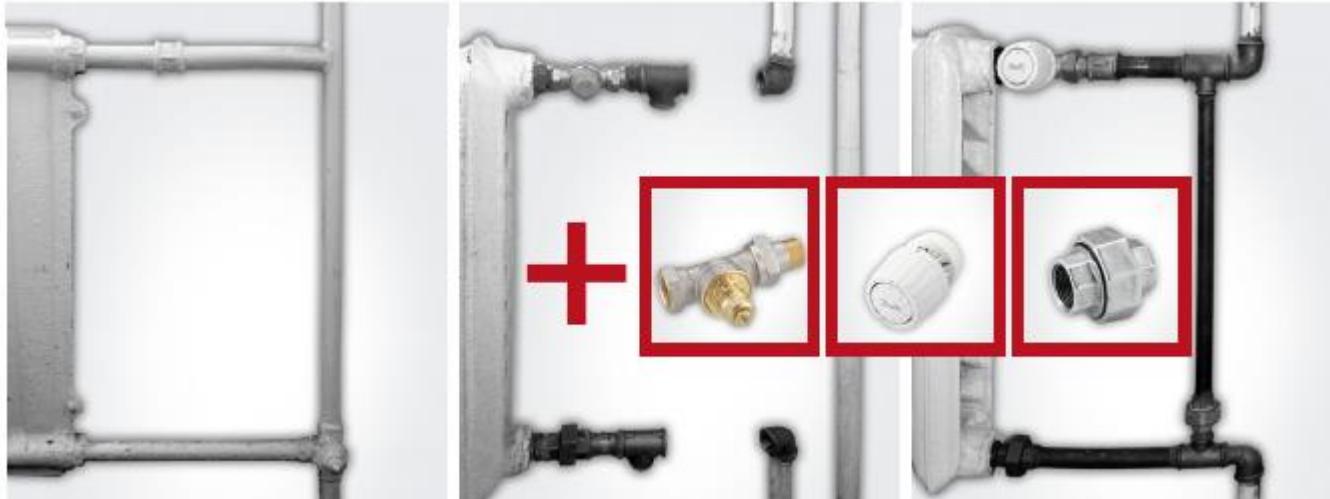
# Radiator valve installation

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

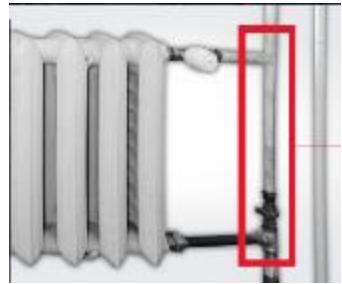


# Radiator valve installation

- We explained installation step by step.

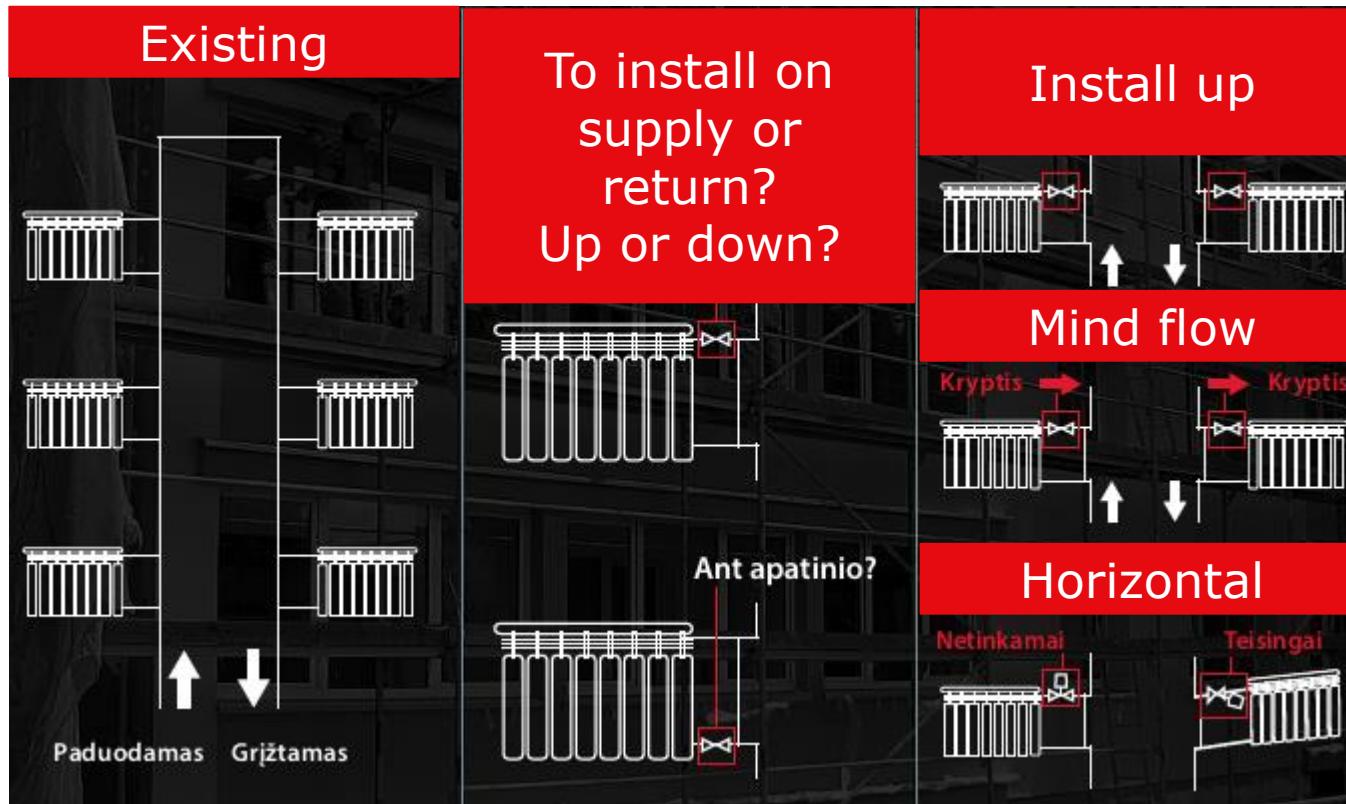


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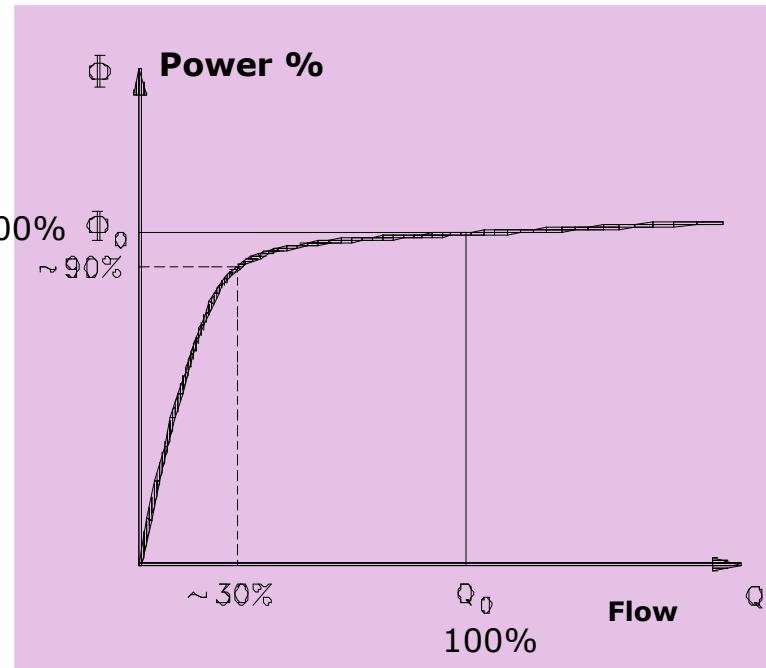


# Radiator valve installation

- Explained complicated scenarios



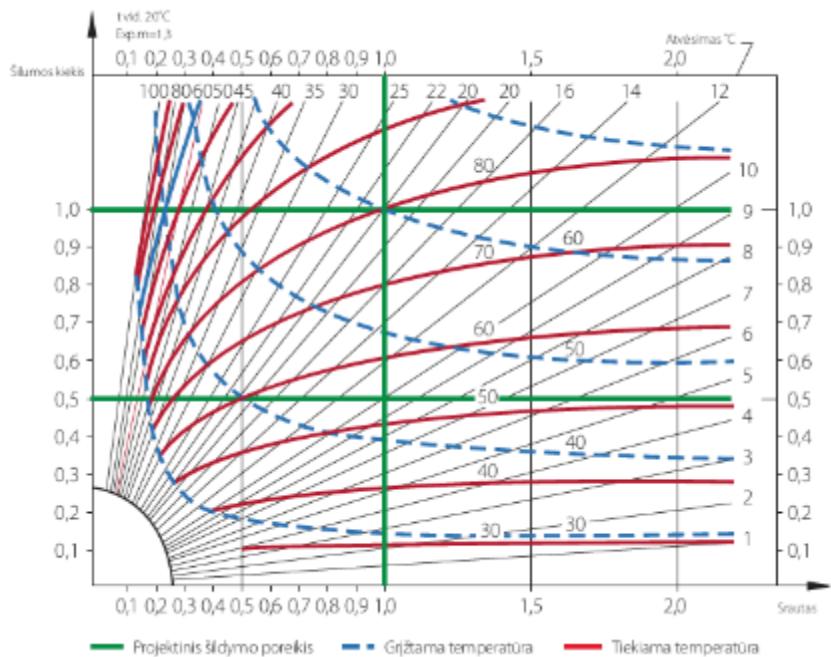
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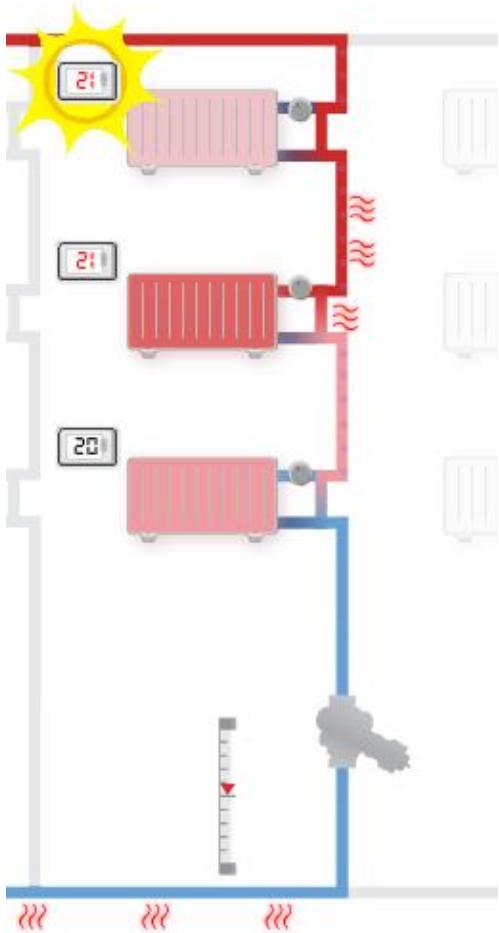
- Special high flow capacity radiator thermostatic valve to be installed
- Bypass should be installed of size smaller than main riser pipe size or flow restrictor should be installed.
- Flow to radiator decrease result in radiator emission decrease.
- Phenomena compensated by slight temperature increase.

# 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.



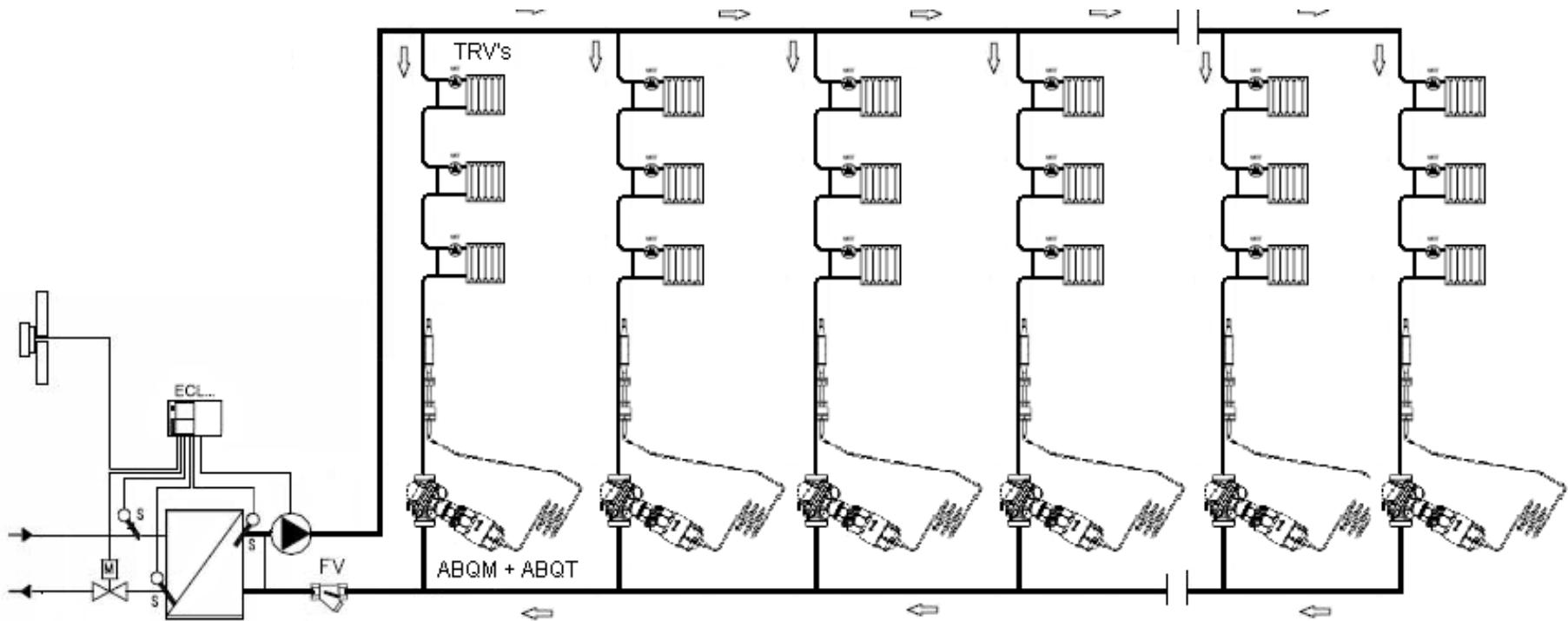
# Riser heating



- 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 )

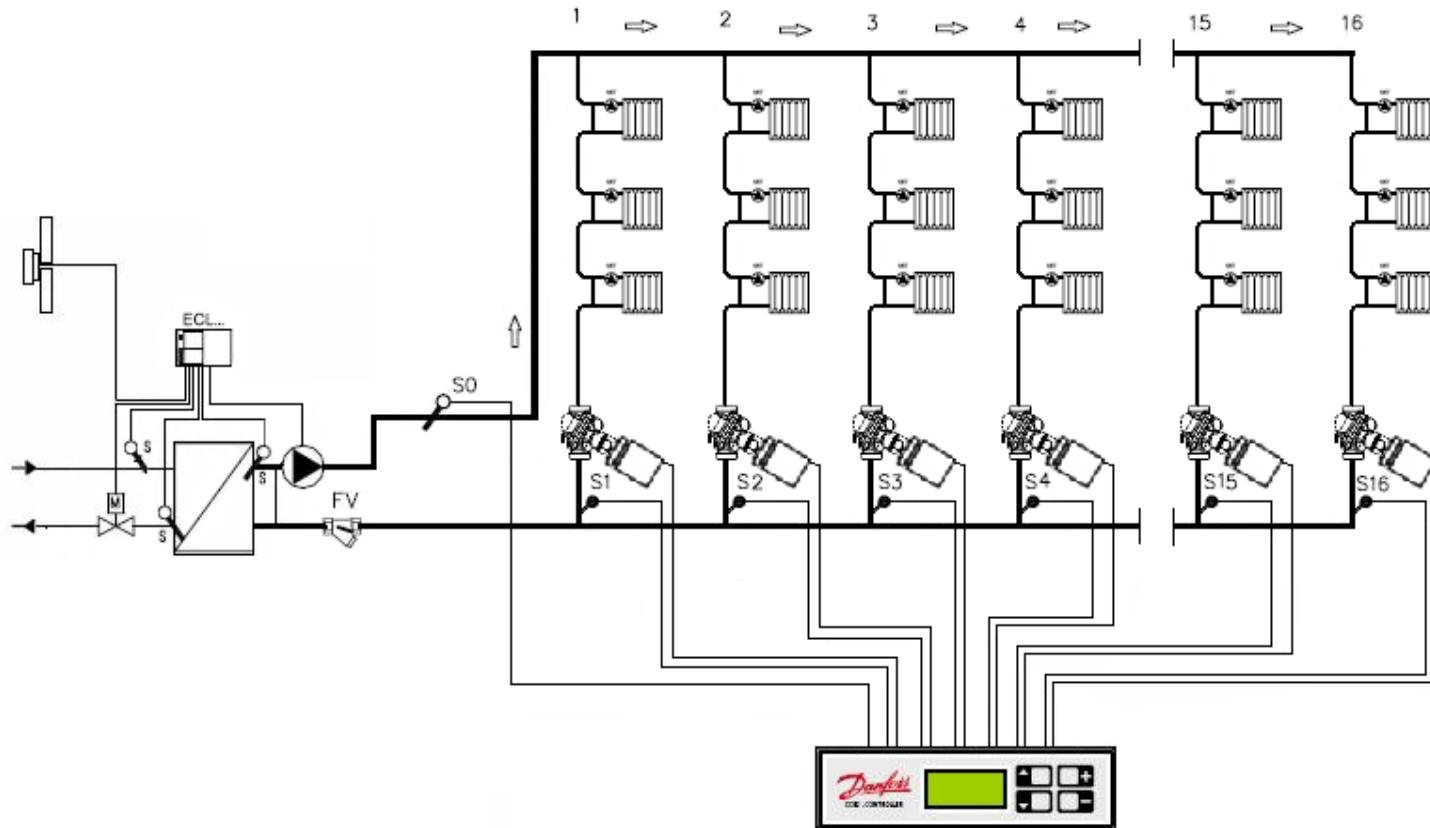


AB-QT makes 1-pipe system adaptive to actual heat demand – flow varied like in 2-pipe system !

# Innovative solution

Application 2

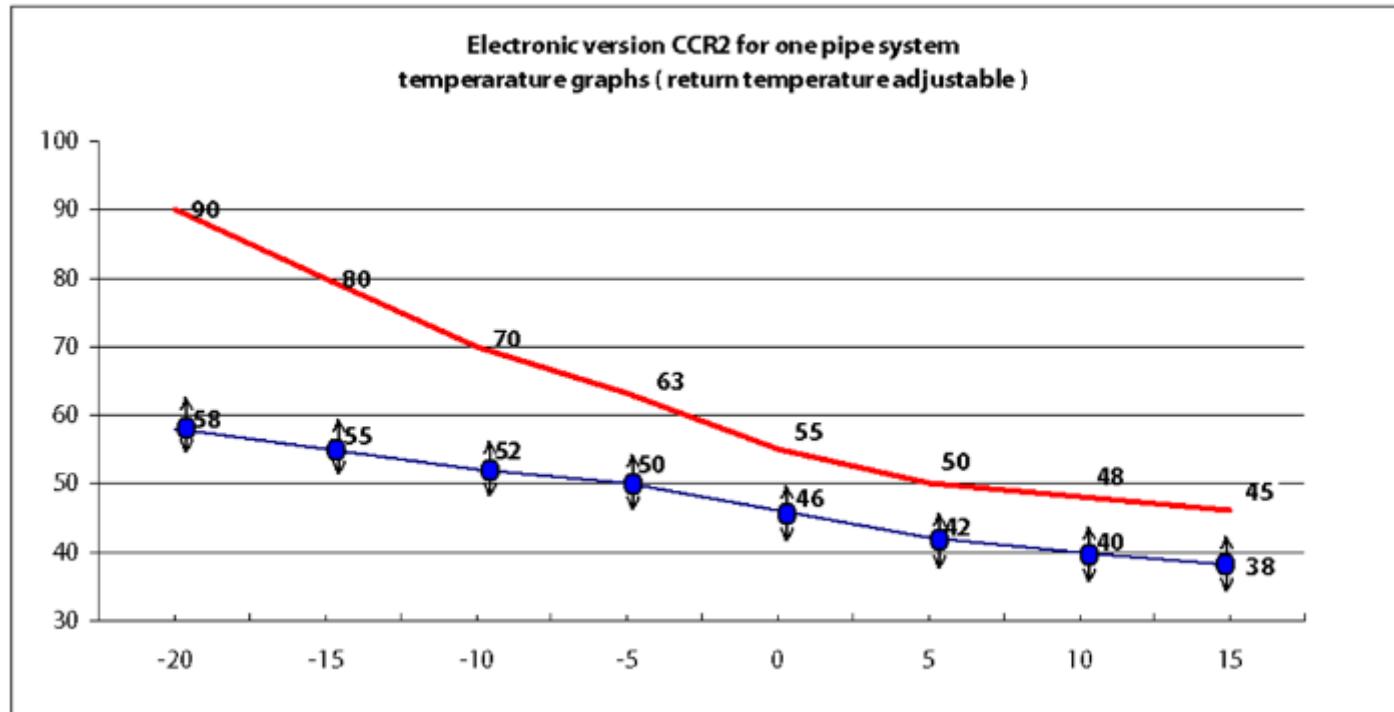
Return temperature control : electronic  
(ABQM + TWA + CCR3 „one pipe version“ )



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

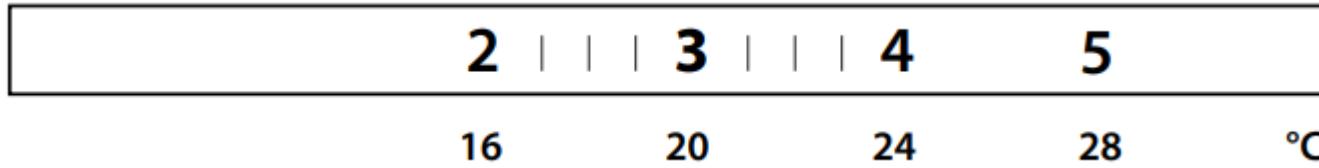
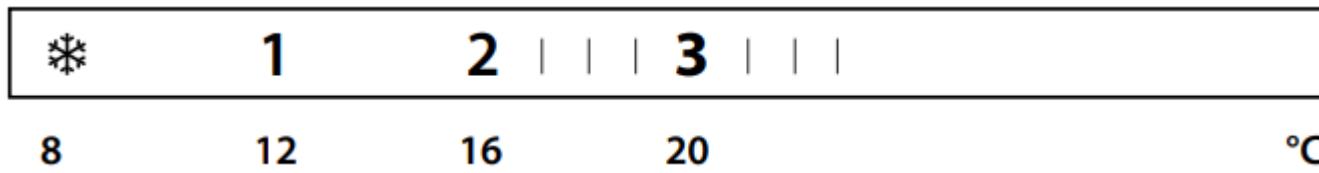
Application		1-pipe systems		
Solution level	AB-QM	AB-QT	AB-QTE	
Product level	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- AB-QM</li> </ul>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- AB-QM</li> <li>- QT</li> </ul>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- AB-QM</li> <li>- TWA-Z</li> <li>- CCR3</li> <li>-- ESMC</li> </ul>	
What it does / description	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- automatic balance</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- automatic balance with self acting thermostat</li> <li>- variable flow control</li> </ul>	
Main benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-reliable system (even heat distribution, no under-heating)</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- reliable system</li> <li>- energy savings (when matters most)</li> <li>- price performance</li> </ul>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Payback : ~ 1 year (based on reliability)</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Payback: ~2,5 year (based on energy savings only)</li> <li>Payback: ~4,5 year (based on energy savings only)</li> </ul>	

# Setting range



Plausible factory limited settings.

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



# 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

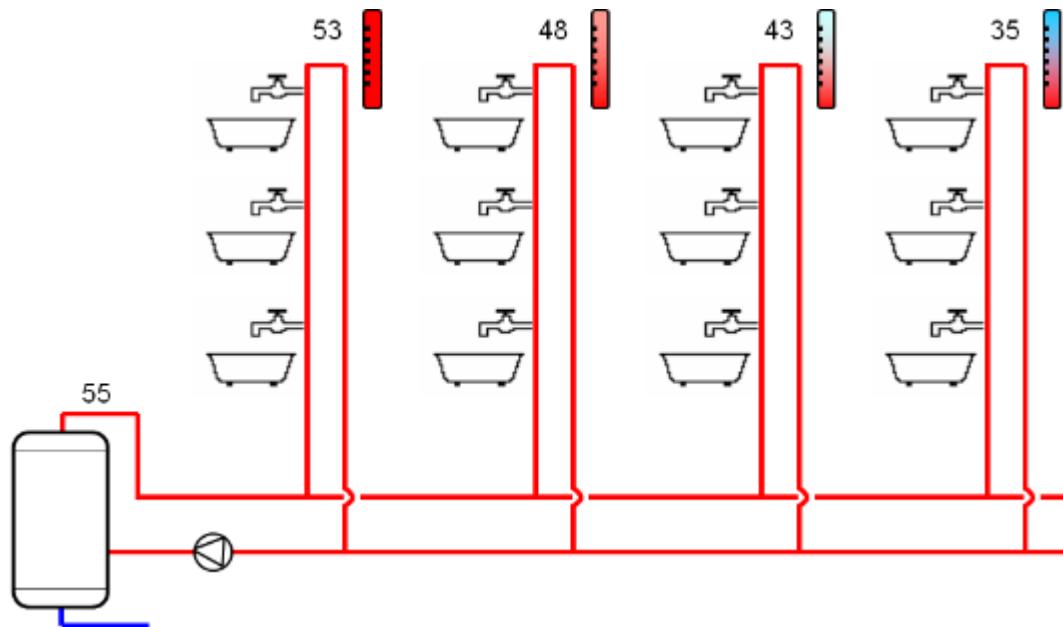


- Renovation or installation of new hot water control in multi family houses. Done by installation of new heat exchanger and hot water control. From self-acting thermostats to electronic controllers.
- Implemented by District Heating Companies because of high energy losses in a network.

# Unbalanced hot water system

Hot water to consumers is supplied in different temperature:

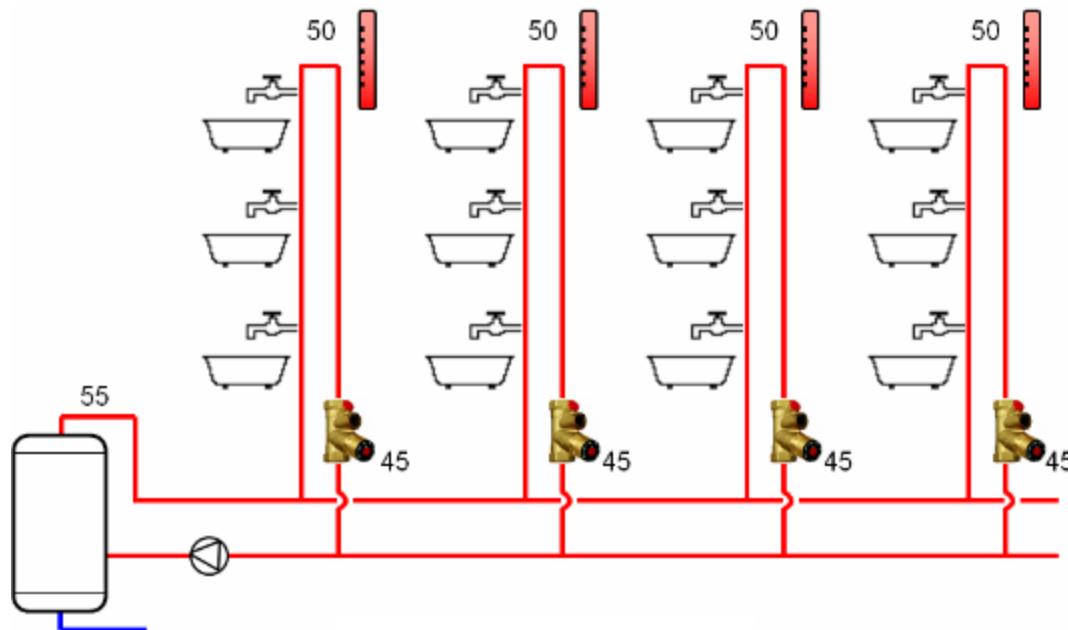
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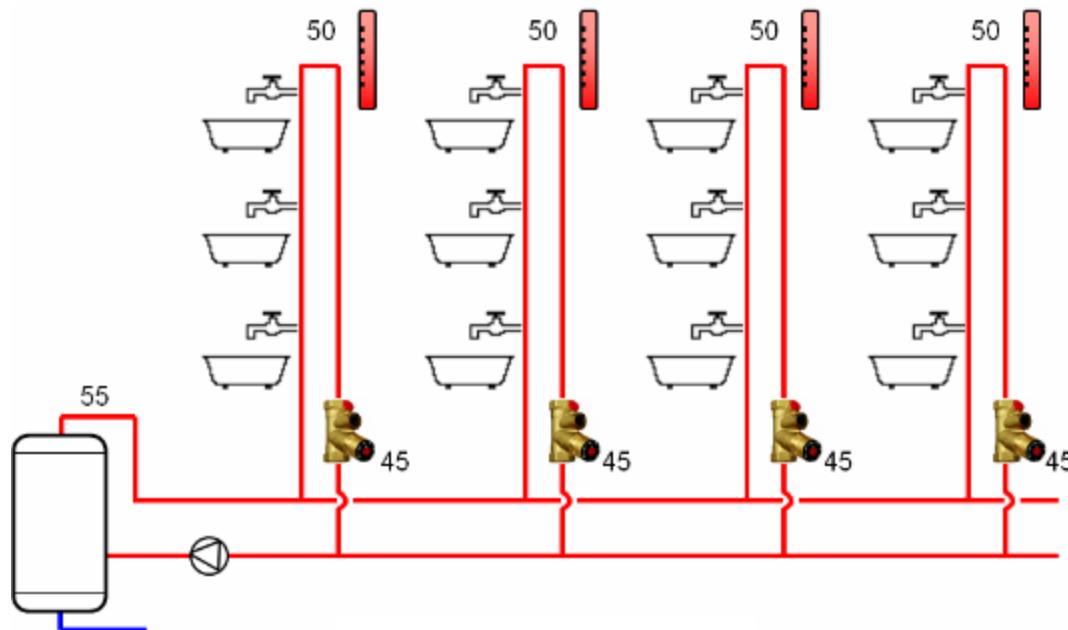
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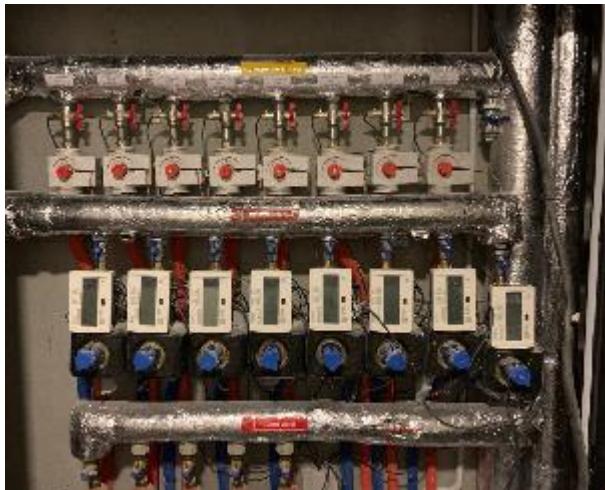


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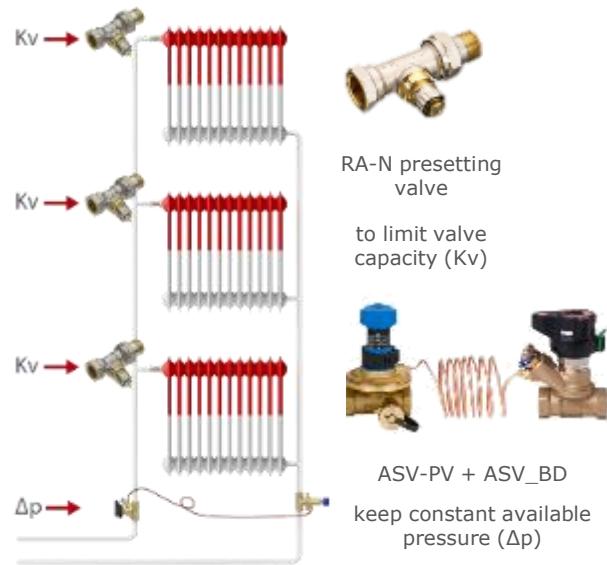
- Distribution manifolds contain metering and balancing of distribution branches.
- Heating systems are either floor or radiator heating.



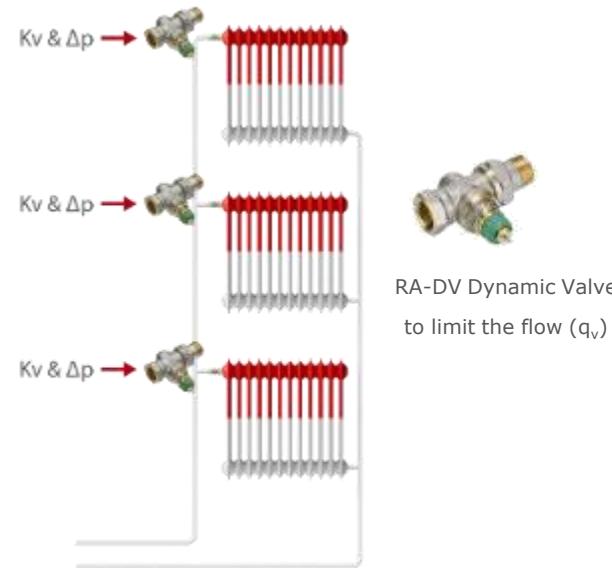
# ASV-PV pressure regulator or RA-DV dynamic thermostatic valve

Where shall we use what

- Pressure stabilization

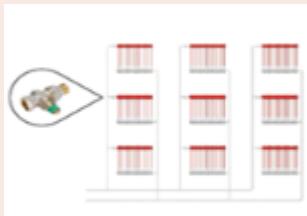
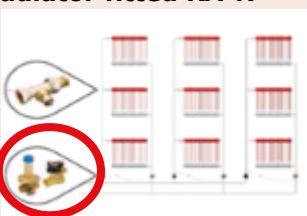


- Pressure stabilization



# 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 $P = 1570 \text{ W}$ at $\Delta T = 10$ $P = 2355 \text{ W}$ at $\Delta T = 15$ $P = 3140 \text{ W}$ 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>

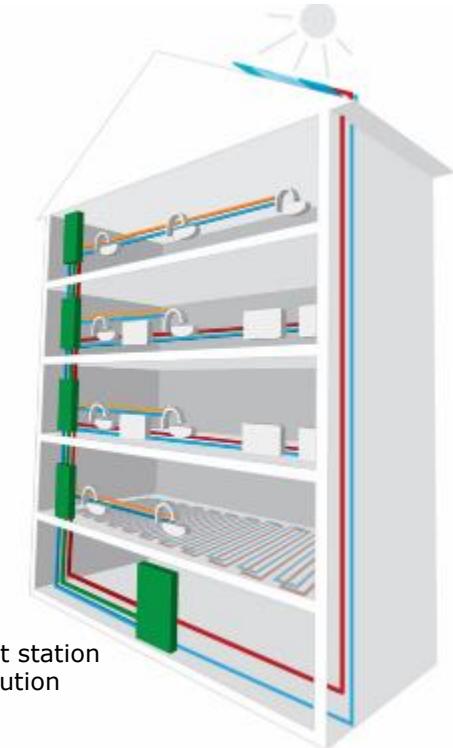
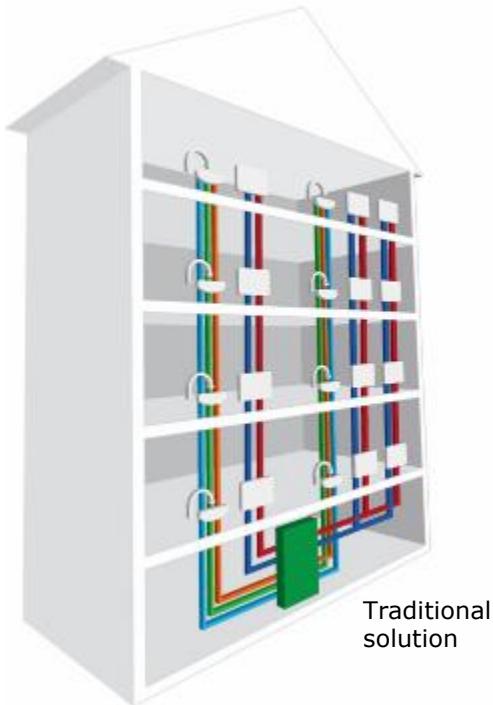
# The evolution of flat stations for flats and apartment buildings

## 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.

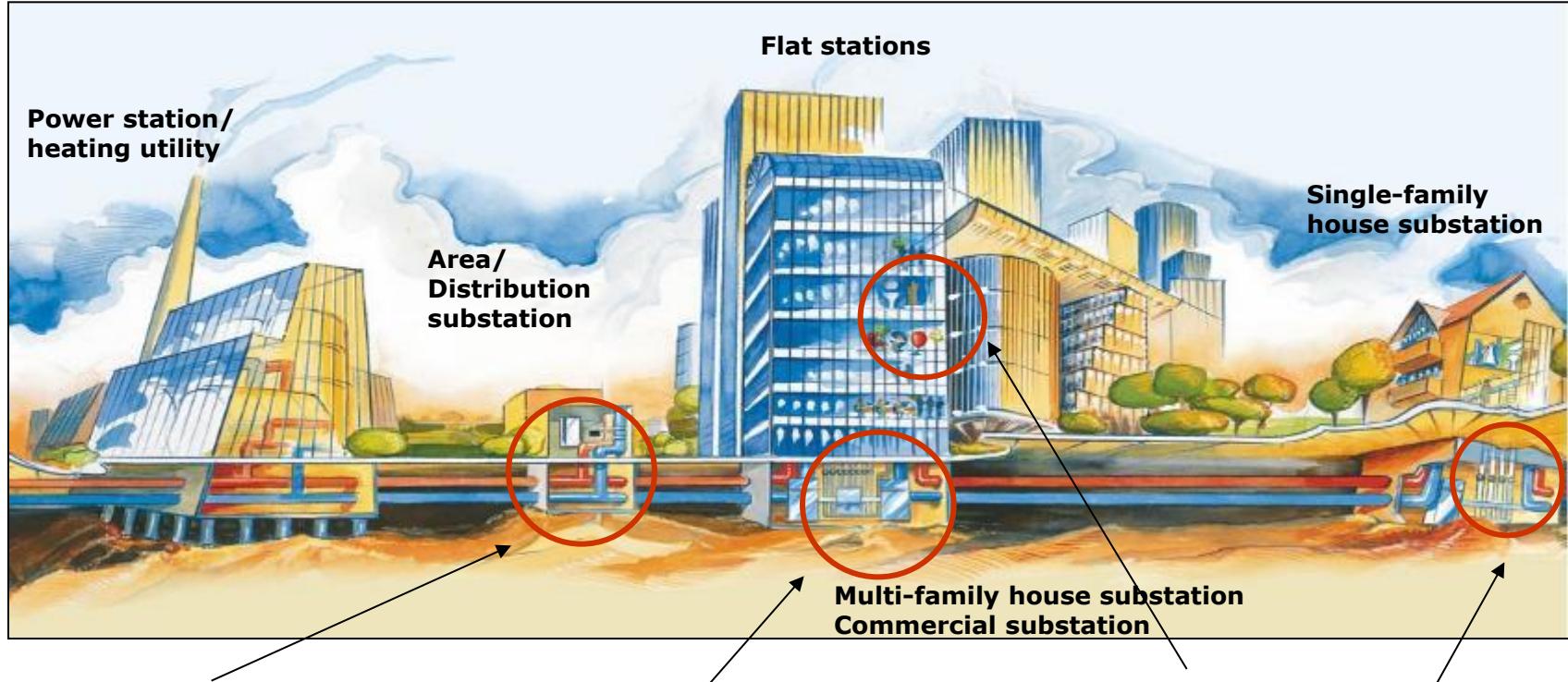


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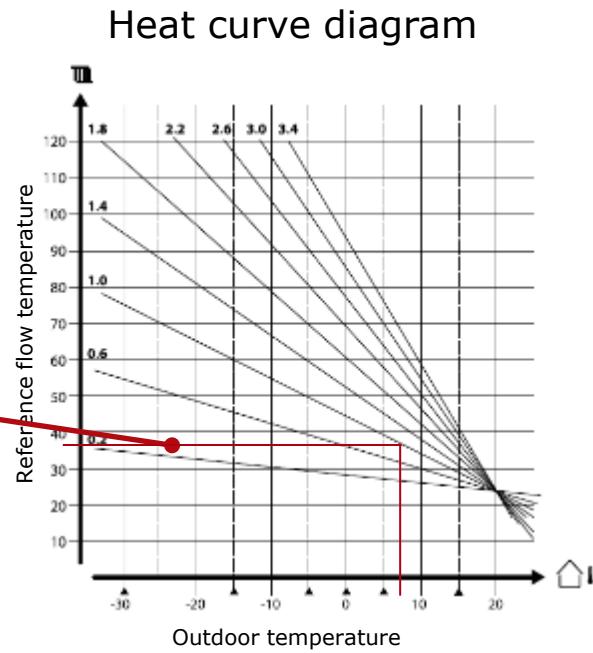
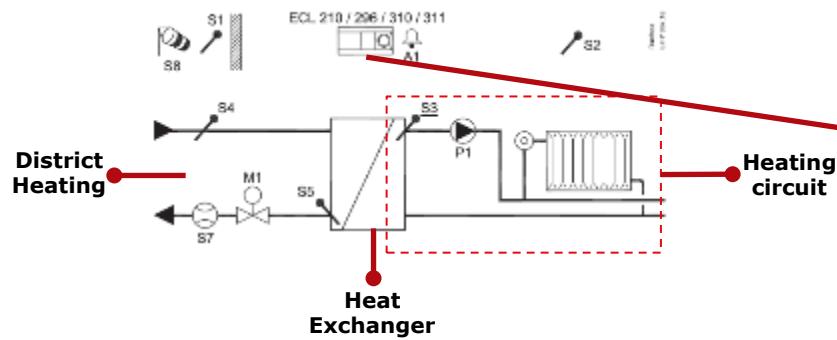


# Substations

# Designed for every application

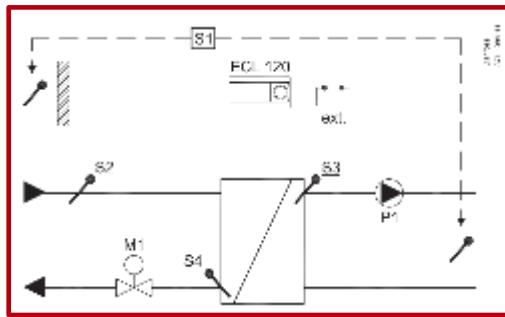


# Heat curve enabling the Weather Compensation

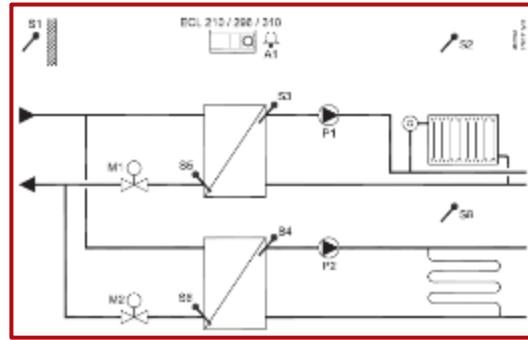


# Typical Heating applications

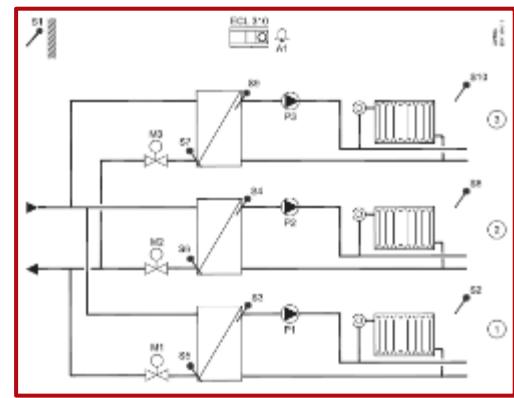
## One circuit



## 2 circuits

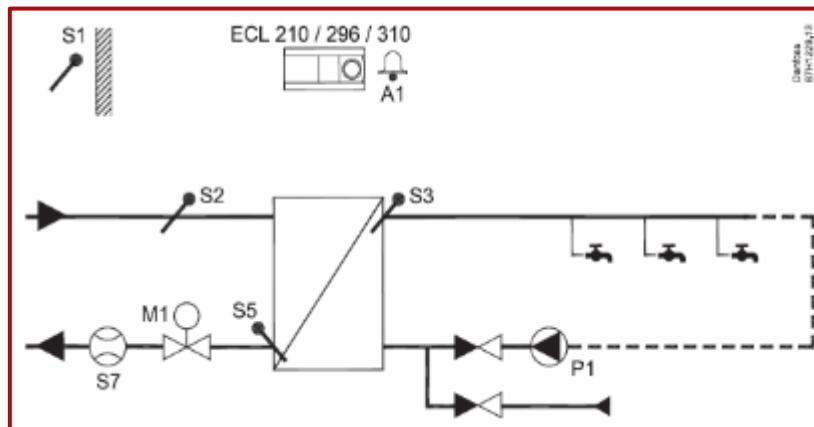


## Multi circuits

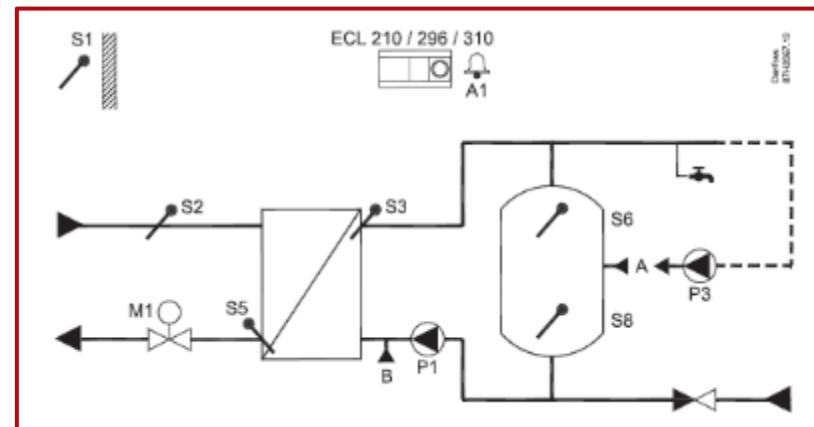


# Domestic Hot Water (DHW) applications

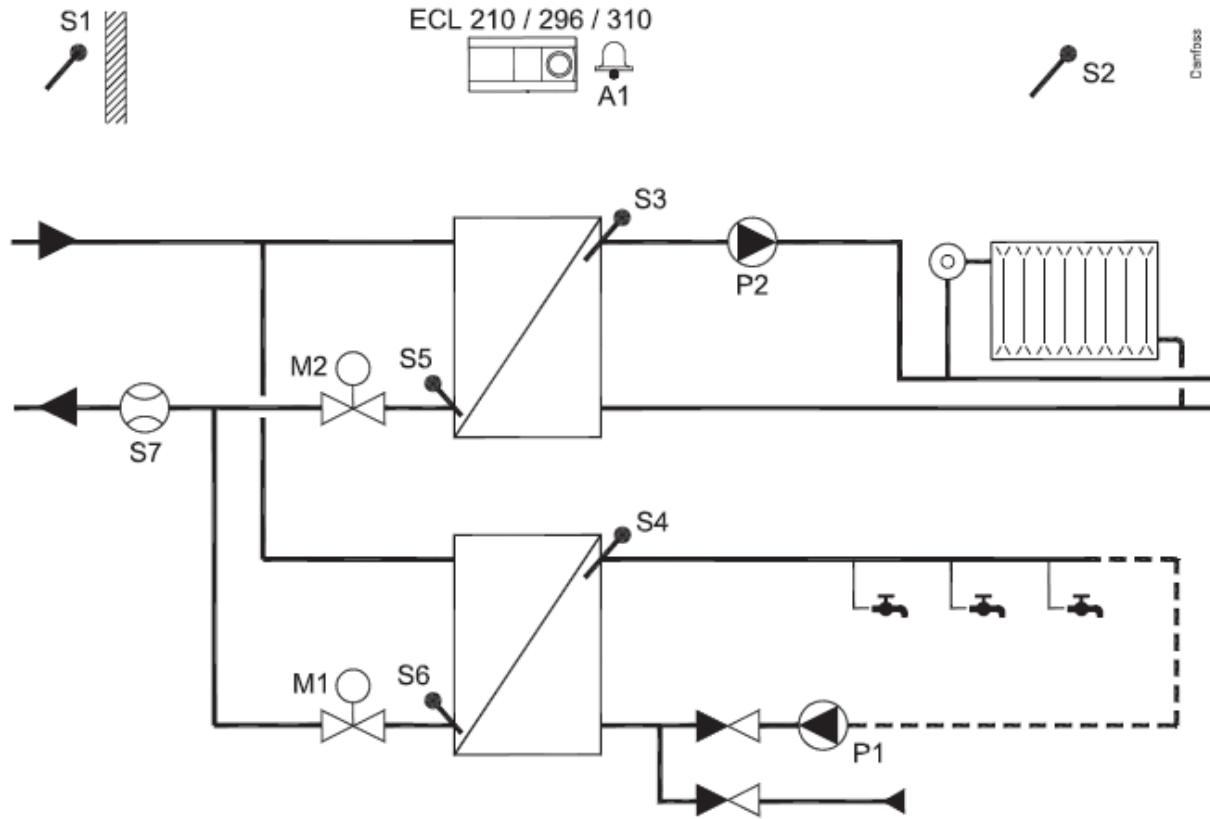
## Instantaneous



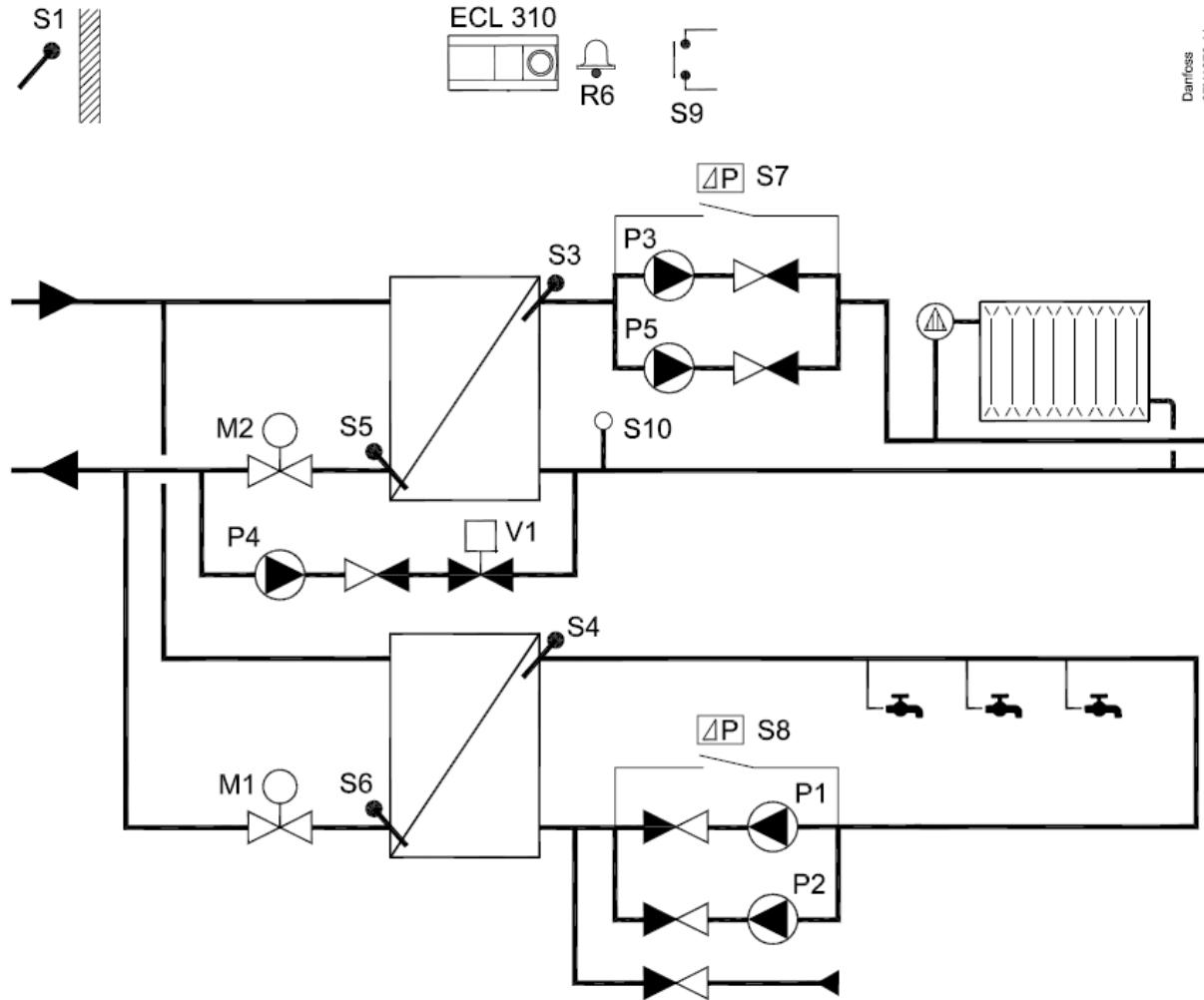
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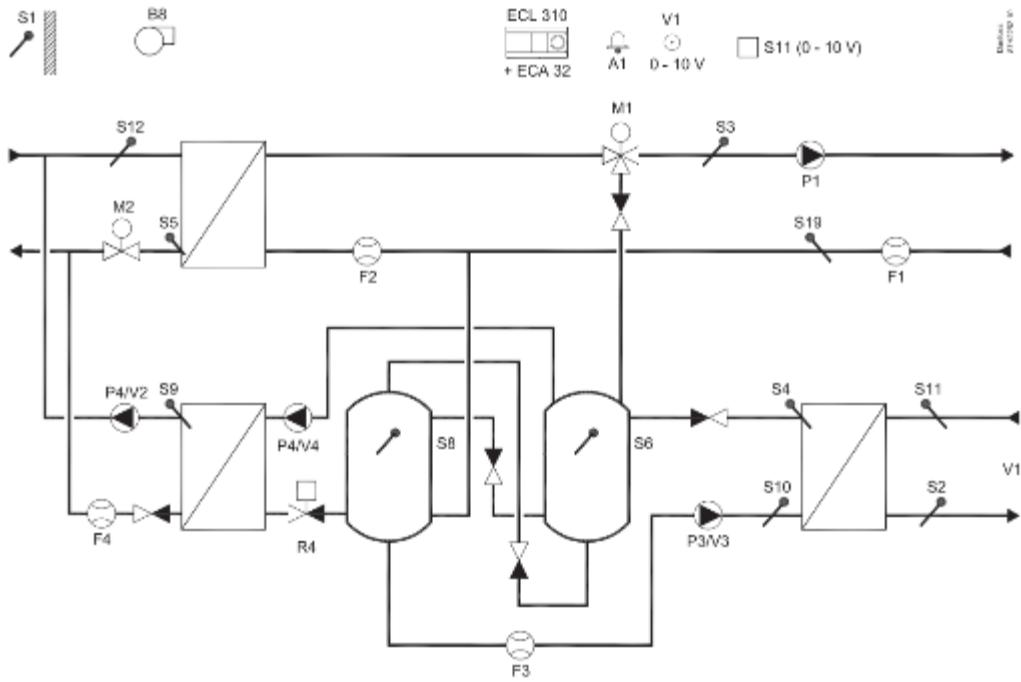
# Typical application for residential building



# Advanced application for residential building

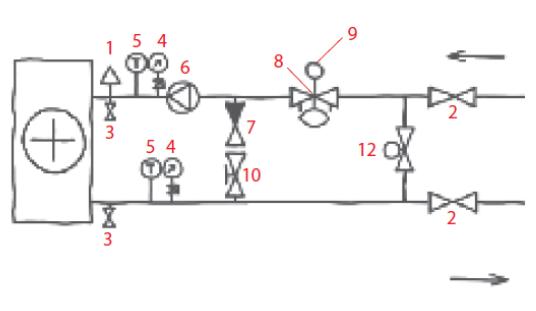
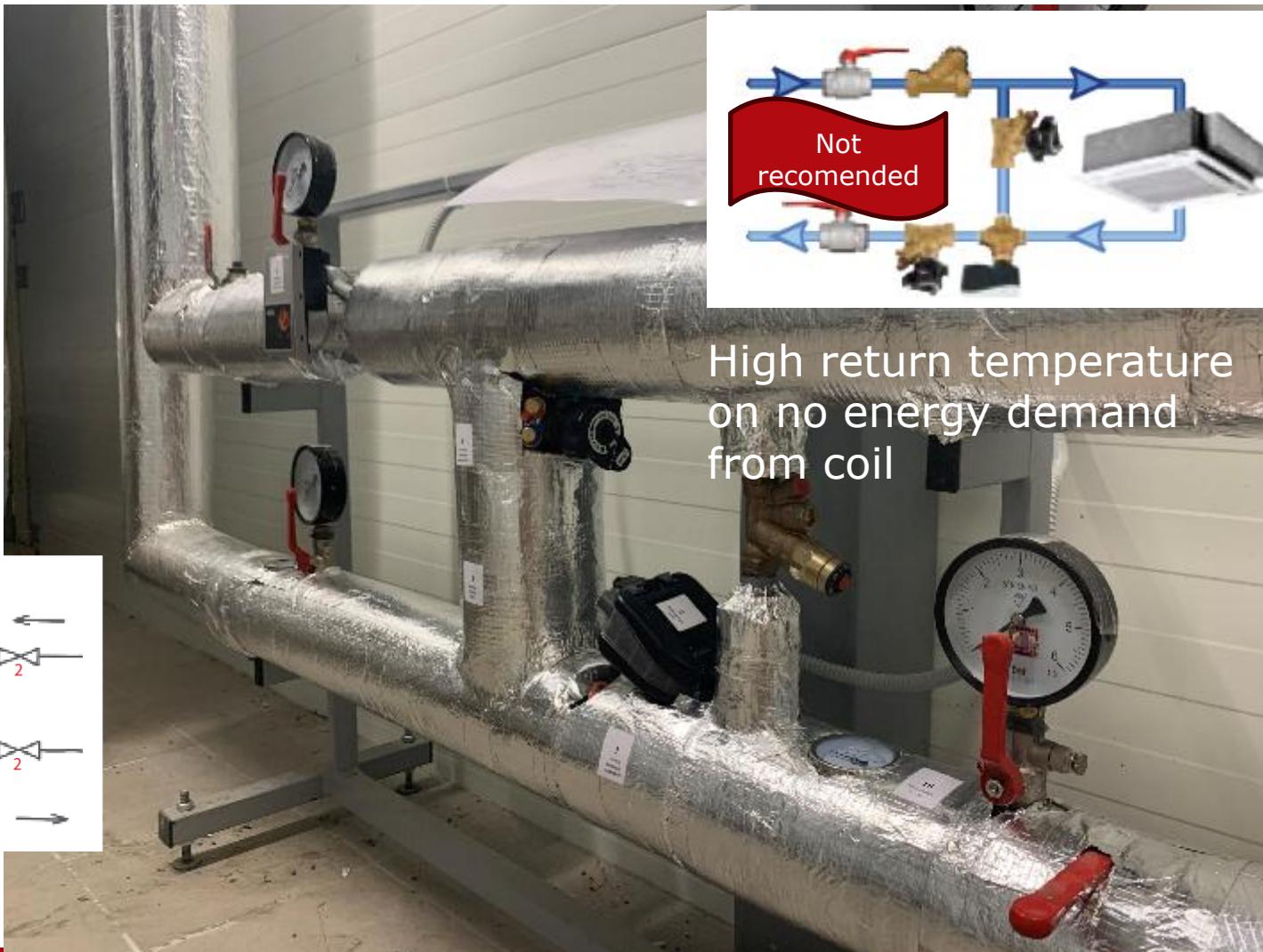


# Heat recovery (HRU)

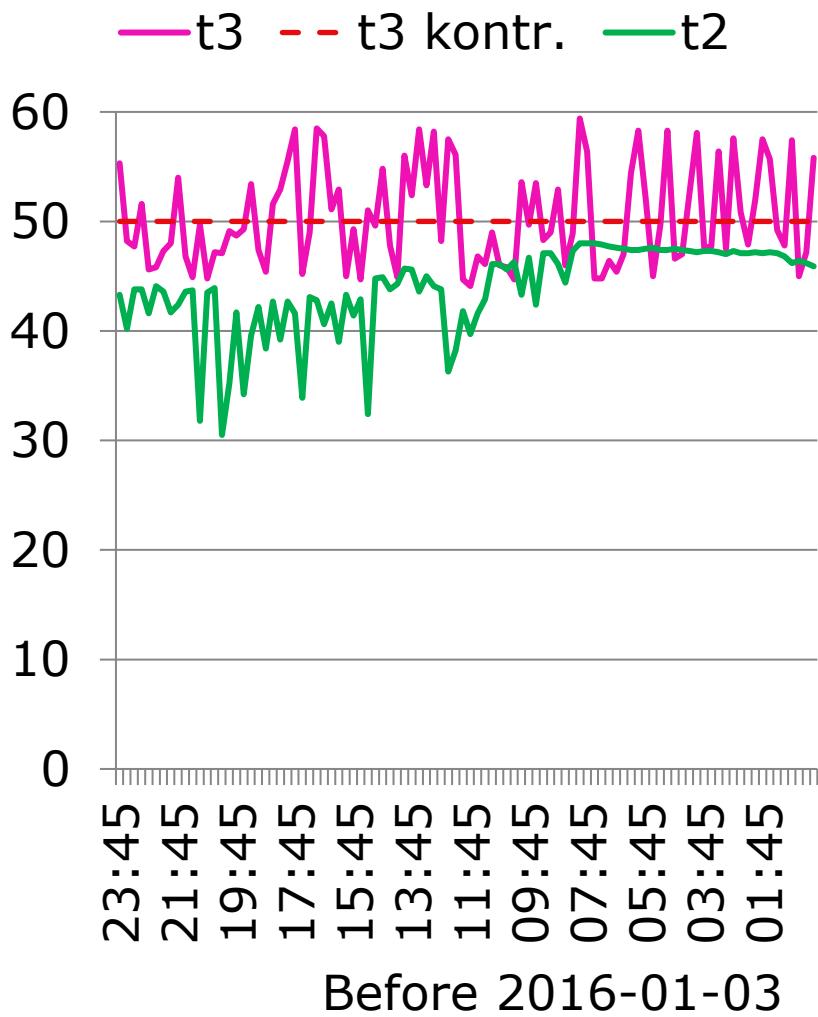
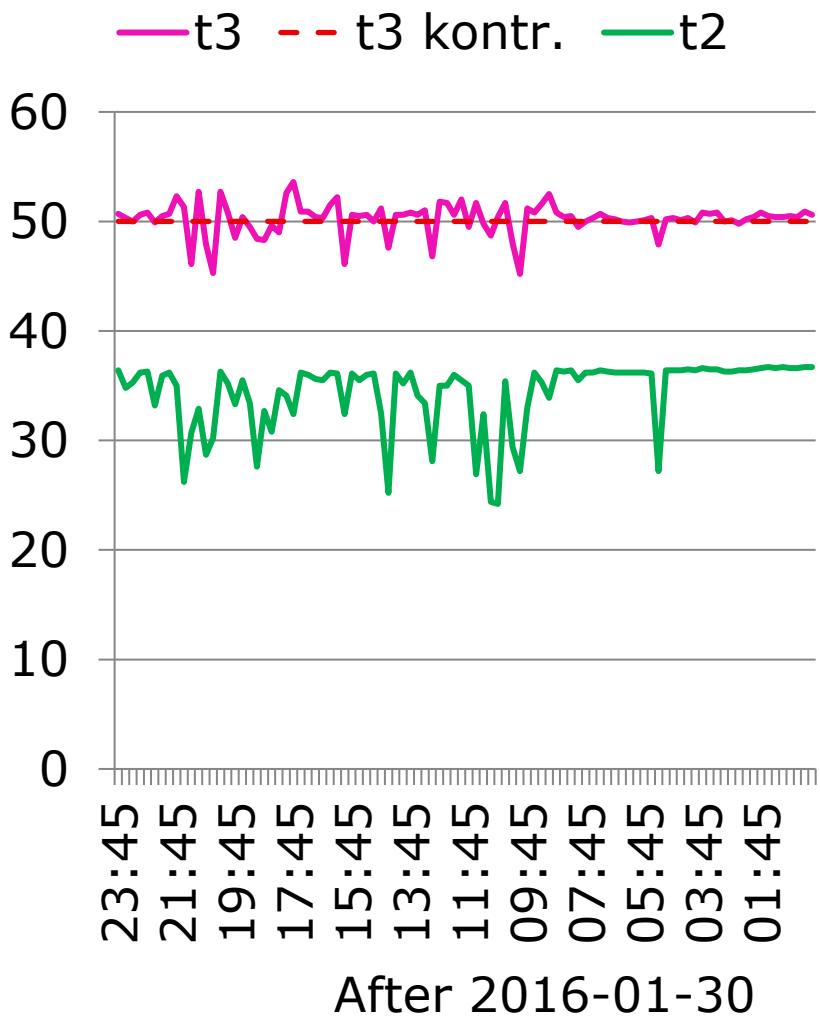


# Air handling unit solution

- Variable flow
- Low return

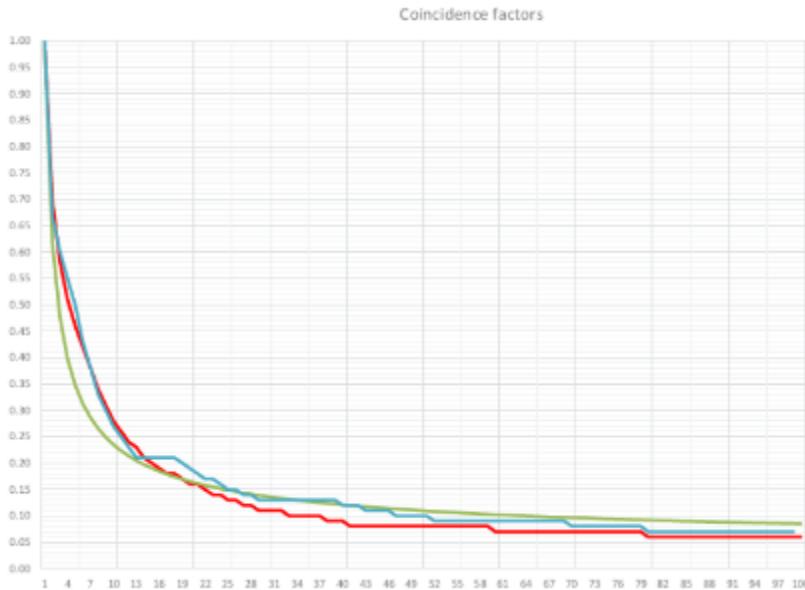


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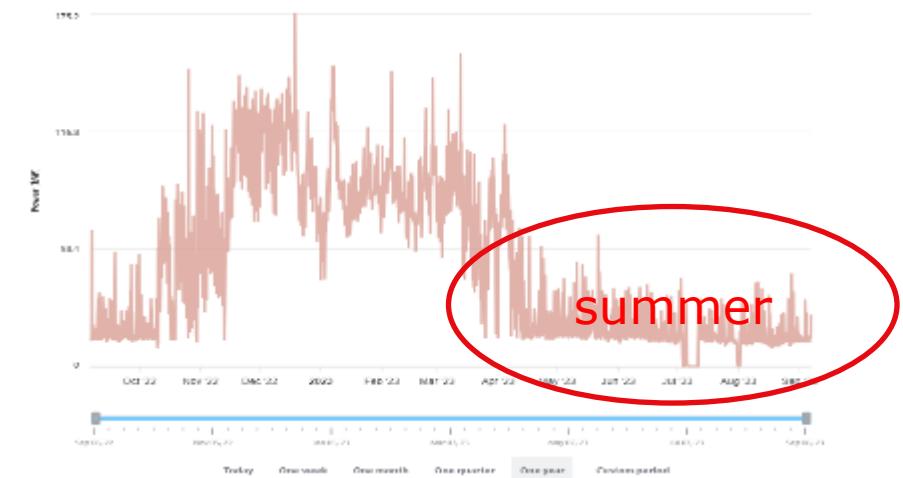


# Demand for Hot water. Calculated vs realized

- Coincide factors
- From 140 kW to 300kW



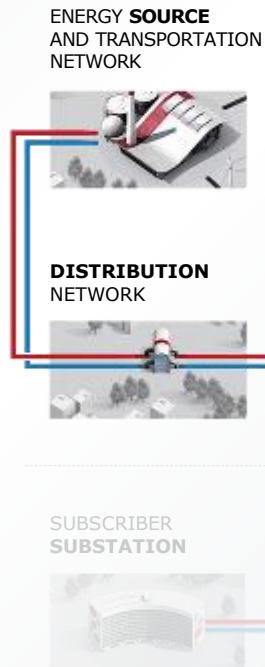
- Historical data
- Realized < 100 kW



# iNET - Intelligent network balancing

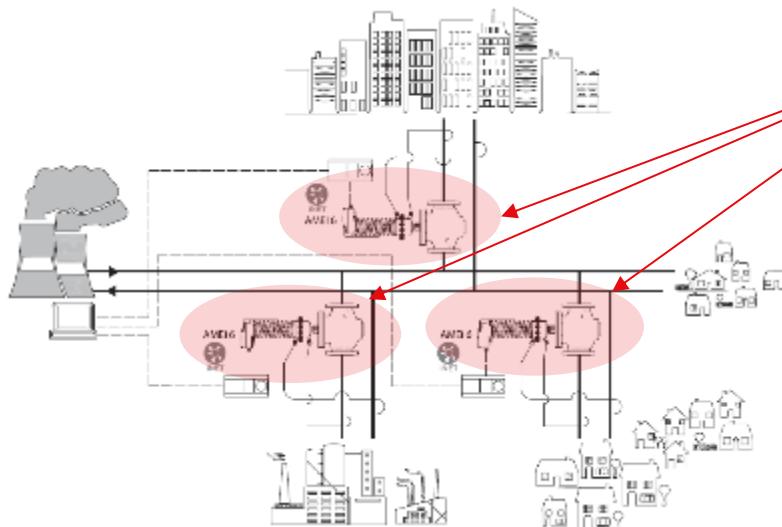


## Optimal network design



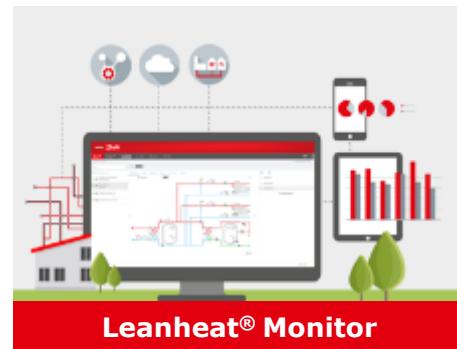
Changing heat consumption requires changes in heat distribution. Therefore the  $\Delta p$  should be optimized at each branch. With **iNET** the  $\Delta p$  can be remotely adjusted.

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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