



# **UC Davis Energy Industry Affiliates Forum**

## **Integrated Energy Solutions**

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# Supply side options



fossil  
fuels



strategic  
renewables  
(present)



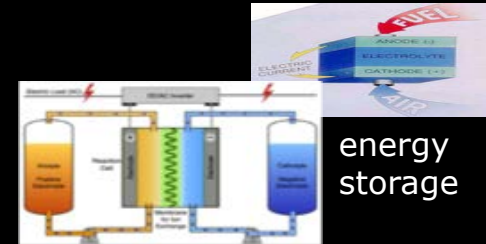
strategic  
renewables  
(future)



nuclear



urban renewables



energy  
storage

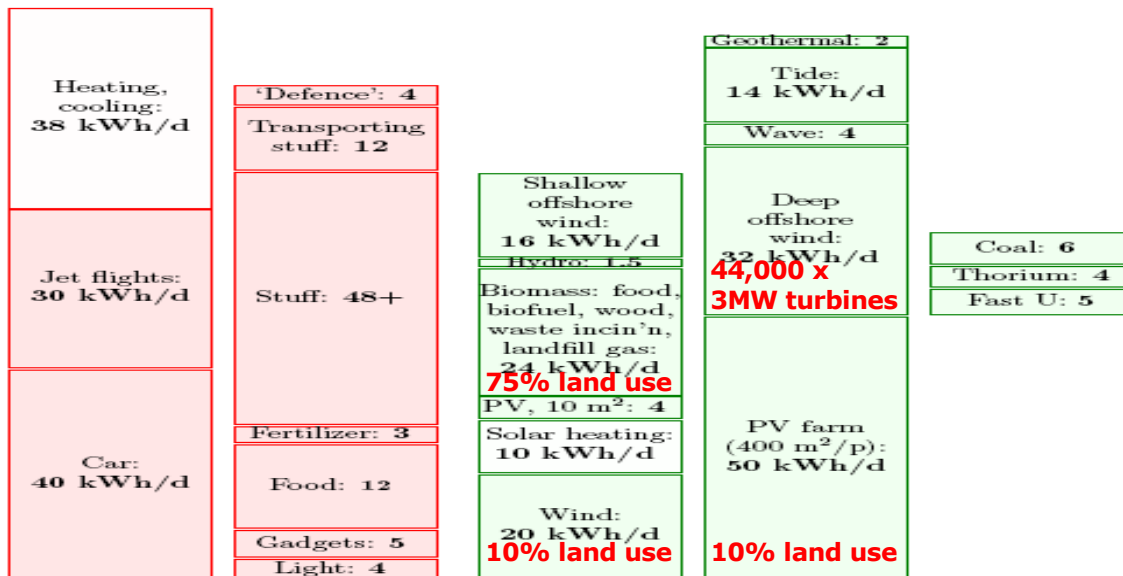
Many conflicts between options.

# UK renewables - the demand/supply dilemma

UK energy consumption  
|---- 196 kWh/d.p ----|

Required renewable production  
----- 181 kWh/d.p -----|

Source: MacKay,  
[www.withouthotair.com](http://www.withouthotair.com)



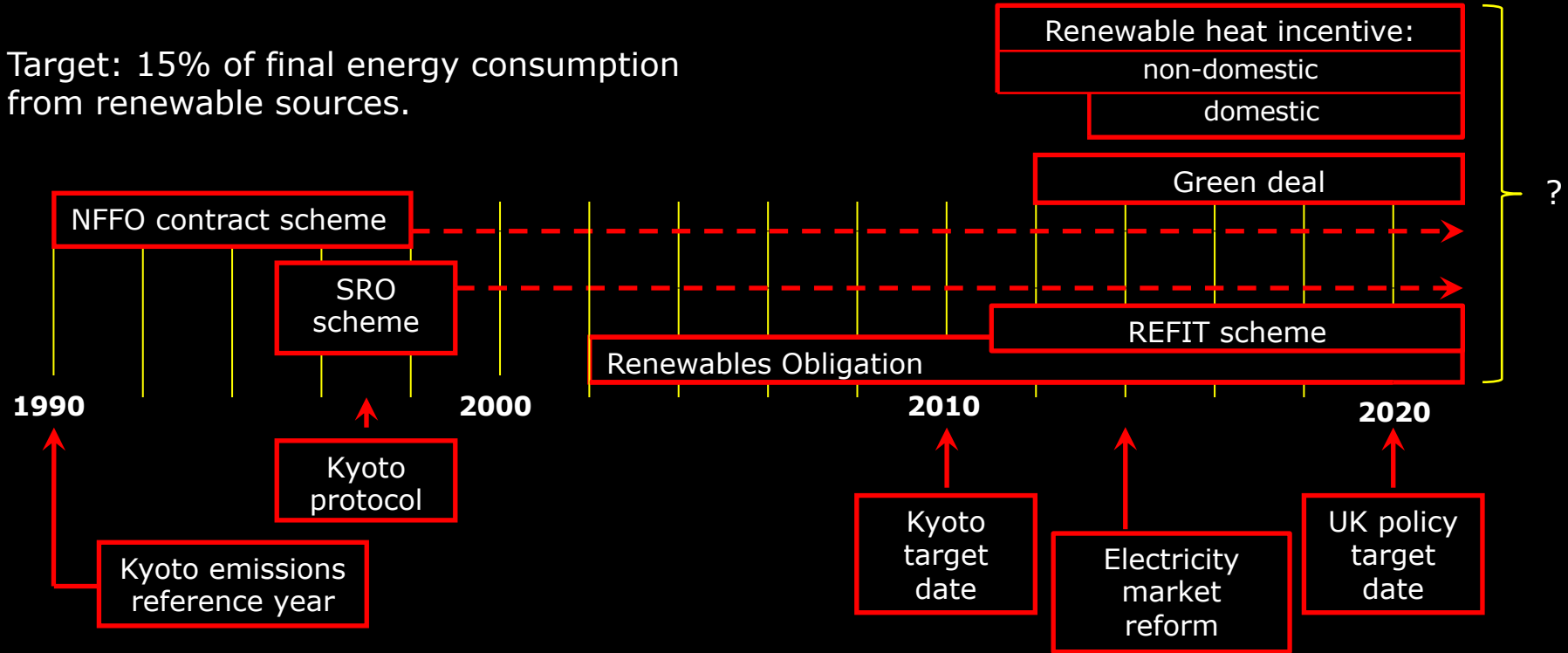
Likely  
resource  
17 kWh/d.p

|             |
|-------------|
| Hydro: 0.3  |
| Tidal: 3    |
| Offshore: 4 |
| Biomass: 4  |
| Solar PV: 3 |
| Wind: 3     |

Matching requires the industrialisation of the environment on a massive scale.

# UK renewables policy framework

Target: 15% of final energy consumption from renewable sources.

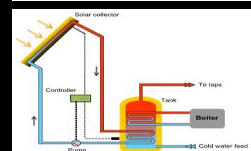
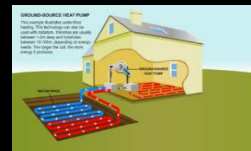


Renewable targets backed by fiscal measures – not technical feasibility.

# Demand side options

- daylight utilisation
- adaptive facades
- smart control
- demand management
- passive solar devices
- heat recovery
- SVPH/ MVHR
- switchable glazing
- selective films
- transparent insulation
- moveable devices
- breathable walls
- phase change material
- smart meters & grids
- electric vehicles
- condensing boiler
- heat pumps
- combined heat and power
- tri-generation
- photovoltaics
- desiccant cooling
- evaporative cooling
- electricity to heat
- smart space/water heating
- urban wind power
- biomass/biofuel heating
- embedded RES
- district heating/cooling
- energy storage
- fuel cells and hydrogen

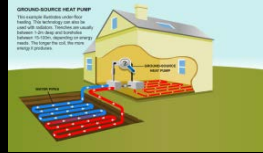
Myriad options with poor understanding of complexity and blending options.



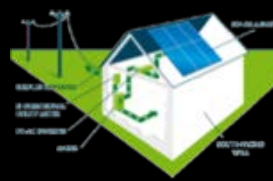
# Confounding issues

Cost reduction  
Safety  
Hybrid systems design  
Smart control  
Network impacts  
Comms resilience  
Business models  
Unintentional impacts  
Stochastic influences  
Work practices  
Policy conflicts

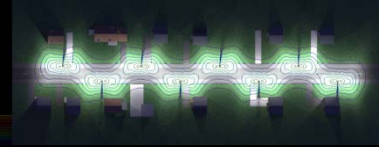
Electrification of heat



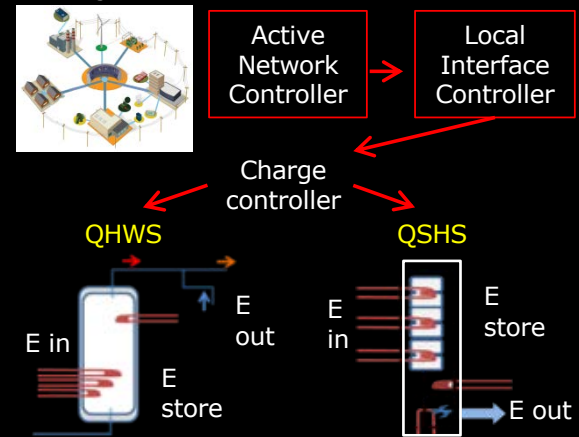
Net-zero energy



Smart districts



Smart grid



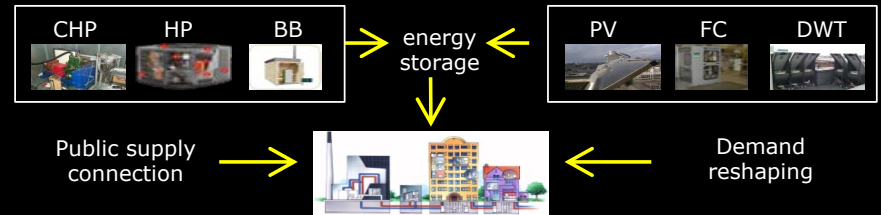
Electric vehicle charging



District heating/ power



Energy service companies



Palpable lack of respect for whole system integrity.

# What's the problem?

Actions not predicated on thermodynamic principles



Most decisions are partly-informed



Energy processes are dynamic

Continuity: 
$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho u)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho v)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial(\rho w)}{\partial z} = 0$$

X - Momentum: 
$$\frac{\partial(\rho u)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho u^2)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho uv)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial(\rho uw)}{\partial z} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{Re} \left[ \frac{\partial \tau_{xx}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{xy}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{xz}}{\partial z} \right]$$

Y - Momentum: 
$$\frac{\partial(\rho v)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho uv)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho v^2)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial(\rho vw)}{\partial z} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial y} + \frac{1}{Re} \left[ \frac{\partial \tau_{xy}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yy}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yz}}{\partial z} \right]$$

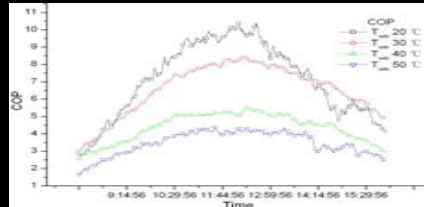
Z - Momentum: 
$$\frac{\partial(\rho w)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho uw)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho vw)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial(\rho w^2)}{\partial z} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} + \frac{1}{Re} \left[ \frac{\partial \tau_{xz}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yz}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{zz}}{\partial z} \right]$$

Energy: 
$$\frac{\partial(E_T)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(uE_T)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(vE_T)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial(wE_T)}{\partial z} = -\frac{\partial(uP)}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial(vP)}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial(wP)}{\partial z} + \frac{1}{Re Pr} \left[ \frac{\partial \epsilon_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \epsilon_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \epsilon_z}{\partial z} \right] + \frac{1}{Re} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\kappa \tau_{xx} + \gamma \tau_{xy} + w \tau_{xz}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\kappa \tau_{xy} + \gamma \tau_{yy} + w \tau_{yz}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (\kappa \tau_{xz} + \gamma \tau_{yz} + w \tau_{zz}) \right]$$

Overall system is systemic

Capital/ running/ maintenance cost  
Thermal/ visual comfort  
Emissions & air quality  
Network interaction & power quality  
Demand/ supply matching  
Adaptability & resilience

Defining data are non-linear



Influences are stochastic



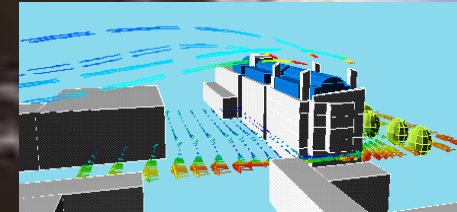
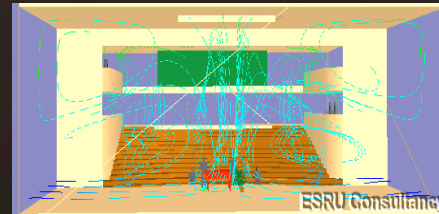
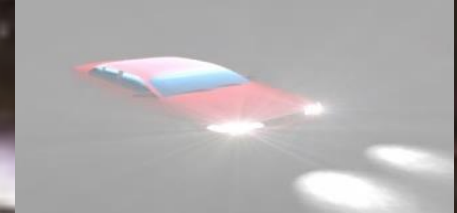
Need to consider energy systems holistically and respect the underlying integrity.



# Energy systems modelling and simulation

Aids understanding of the behaviour of complex systems:

- respects complexity;
- integrates all significant issues;
- enables life cycle assessment;
- links systems design to wider issues;
- supports resilience testing;
- is cheaper, quicker and better;
- enables participatory democracy.







# IBPSA

## International Building Performance Simulation Association

[www.ibpsa.org](http://www.ibpsa.org)  
Founded 1985



Argentina



Egypt



Japan



Spain



Australasia



England



Korea



Switzerland



Brazil



France



Mexico



Turkey



Canada



Germany



Netherlands + Flanders



Chile



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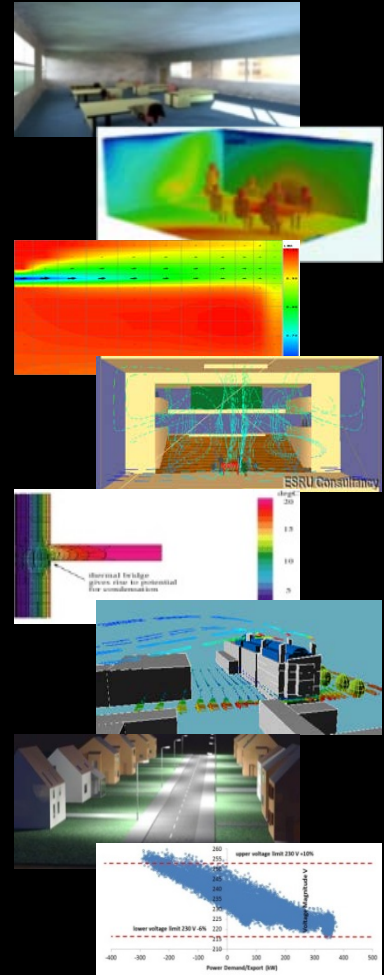
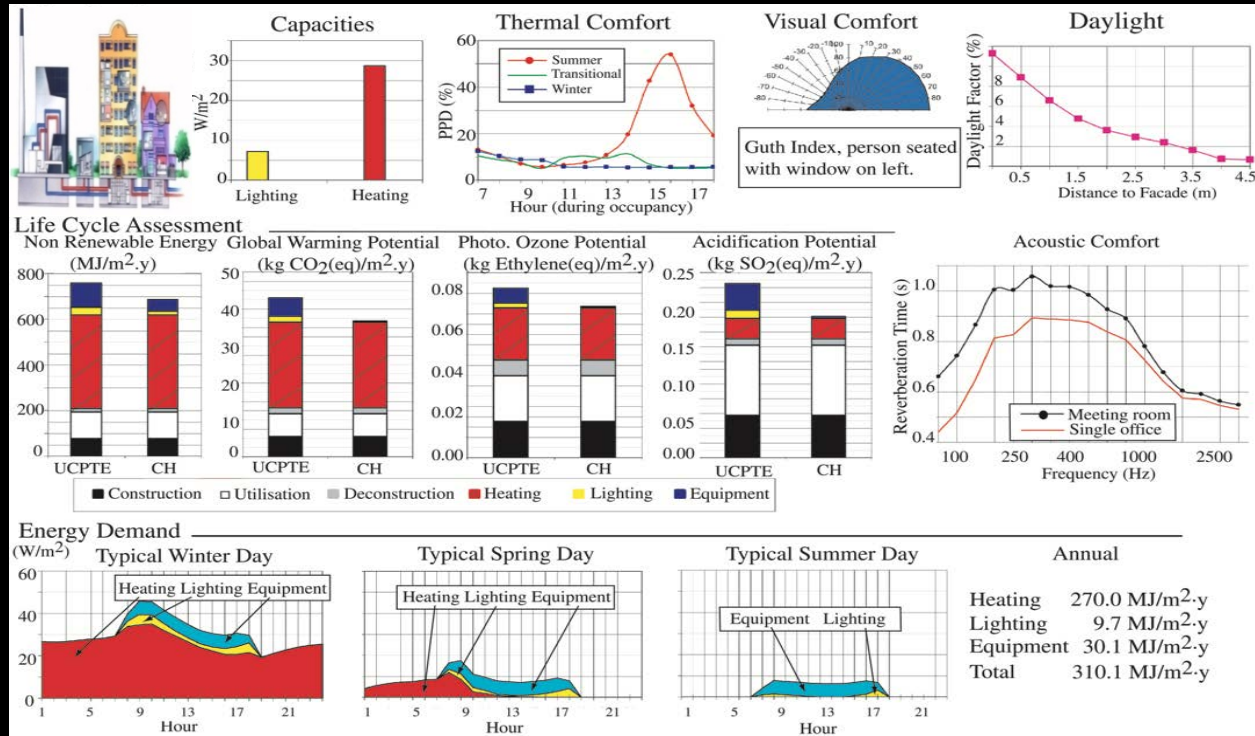
Slovakia



**IBPSA Fellows**



# Computational appraisal



Provides an integrated and experiential appraisal of performance.

## Defines best practice

Addresses all relevant issues:

- technical feasibility;
- human comfort;
- indoor/outdoor air quality;
- economic impact;
- life cycle economics;
- energy/carbon economics;
- environmental impact;
- controllability assurance;
- hybrid schemes for resilience.

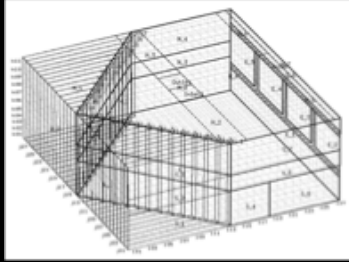
Encapsulates all processes:

- building physics;
- thermo-fluids;
- heat and mass transfer;
- radiation exchange;
- plant and systems processes;
- electrical power flows;
- micro-climate;
- renewables stochasticity;
- control system response.

Whole system appraisal including wellness is the new meme.

# High resolution modelling

Air flow



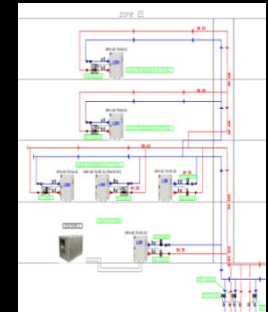
Control



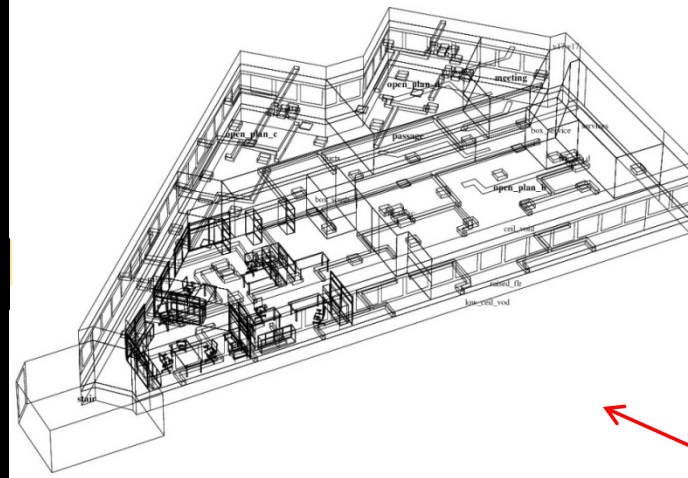
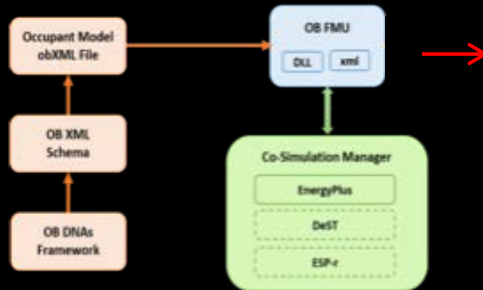
Lighting



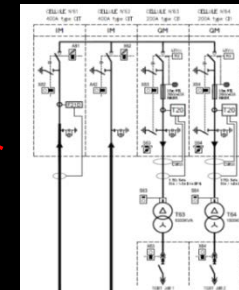
HVAC



Occupant behaviour



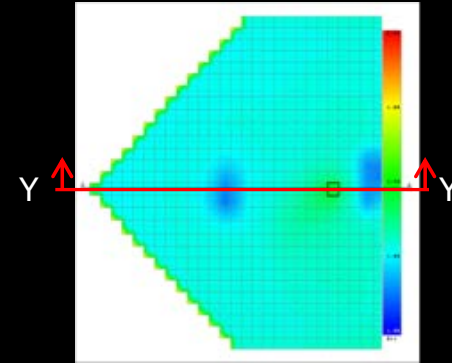
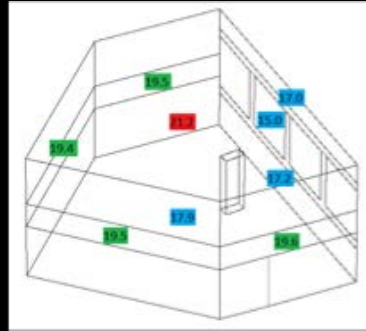
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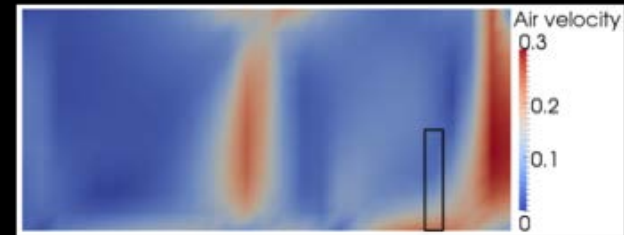
# Automated performance assessment

## PAM 1: Thermal comfort

- ISO 7730
- PMV
- draught risk
- vertical air temperature stratification
- floor temperature
- radiant asymmetry



Section YY



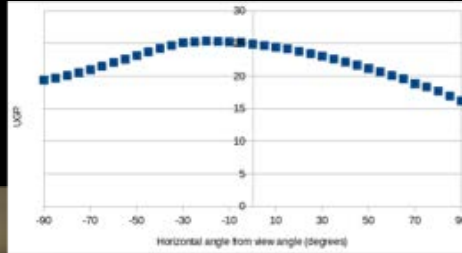
| Category | Thermal state of the body as a whole |                     | Local discomfort |                                     |                    |                   |
|----------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
|          | PPD %                                | PMV                 | DR %             | PD %                                |                    |                   |
|          |                                      |                     |                  | vertical air temperature difference | warm or cool floor | radiant asymmetry |
| A        | < 6                                  | $-0,2 < PMV < +0,2$ | < 10             | < 3                                 | < 10               | < 5               |
| B        | < 10                                 | $-0,5 < PMV < +0,5$ | < 20             | < 5                                 | < 10               | < 5               |
| C        | < 15                                 | $-0,7 < PMV < +0,7$ | < 30             | < 10                                | < 15               | < 10              |

# Automated performance assessment

## PAM 2: Visual comfort

BS EN 12464-1

- glare related to daylight
- unified glare rating
- $UGR \leq 19$

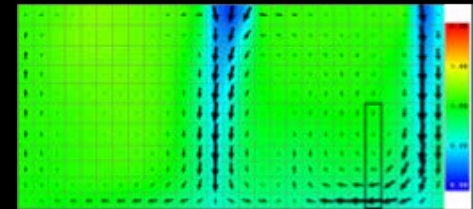
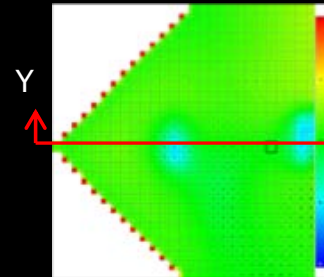
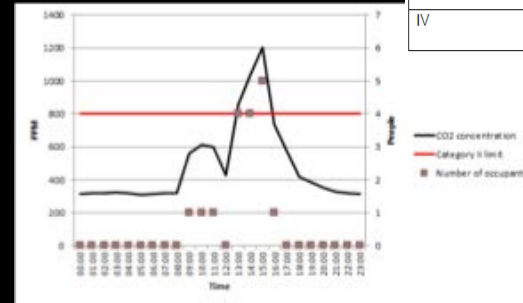


## PAM 3: Air quality

BS EN 15251

- $CO_2$  concentration

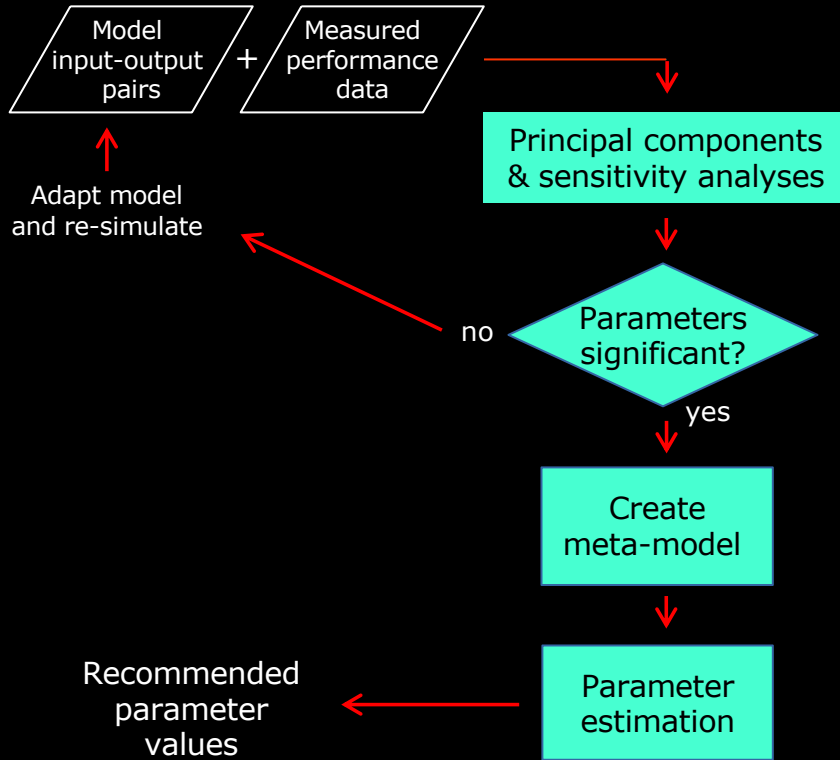
| Category | Corresponding $CO_2$ above outdoors in PPM for energy calculations |
|----------|--|
| I        | 350  |
| II       | 500  |
| III      | 800  |
| IV       | < 800  |



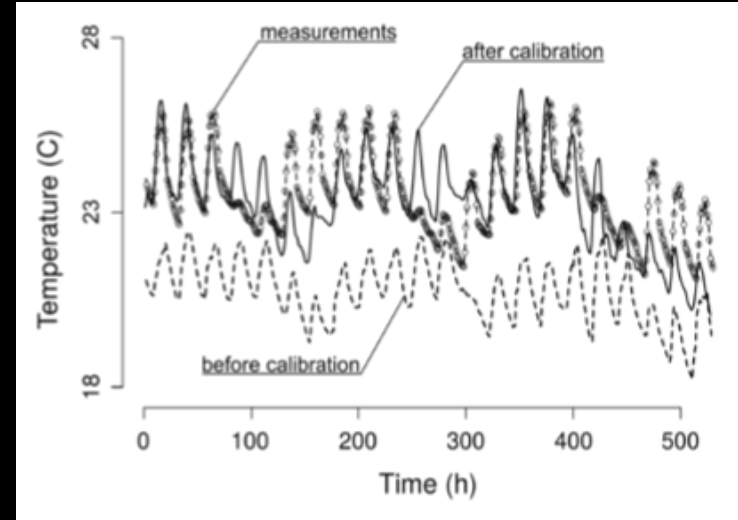
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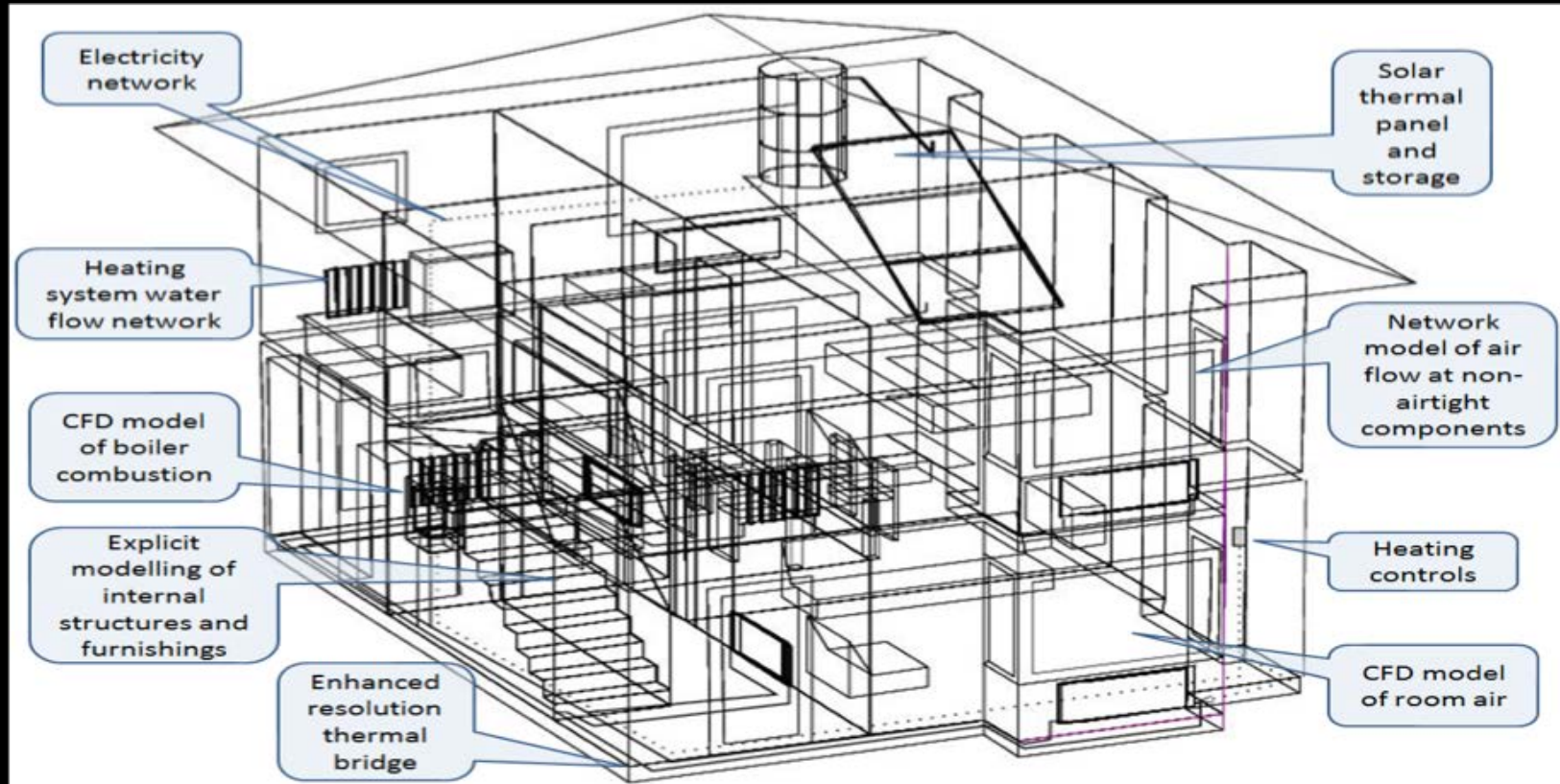
# Automated model calibration



- ❑ Single parameters: calibrated individually.
- ❑ Profile proxy: treated as an ensemble represented by a scaling factor.
- ❑ Sub-model proxy: time varying outputs from domain models treated as profiles and the calibrated profile (or its related sub-model) used.
- ❑ Group proxy: related parameters combined and represented by a derived parameter.



# High integrity modelling

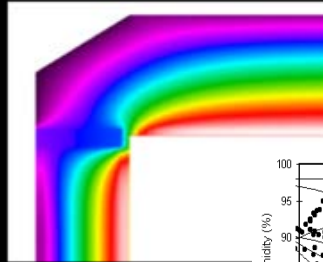
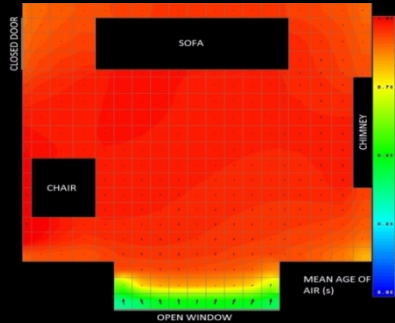


# Performance outcomes address real issues

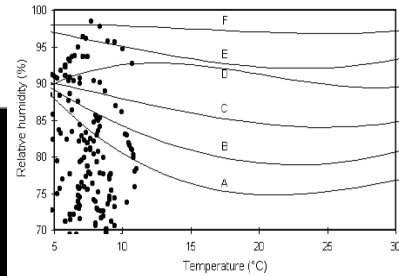
glare and daylight



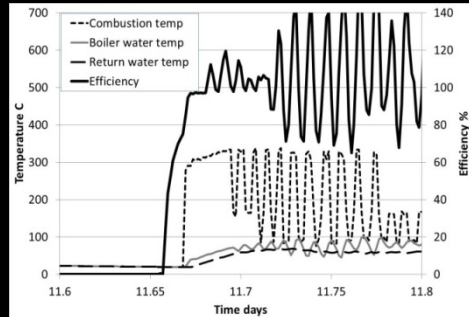
mean age of air



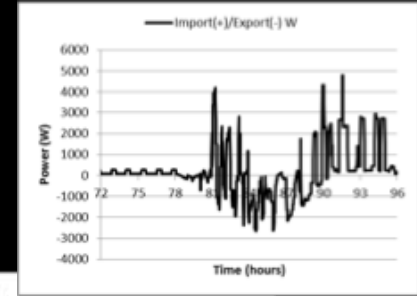
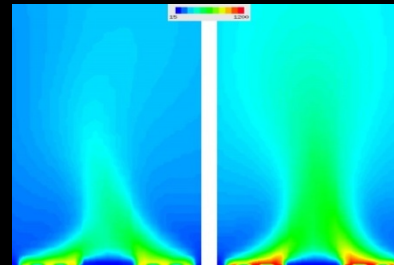
thermal bridges & mould growth



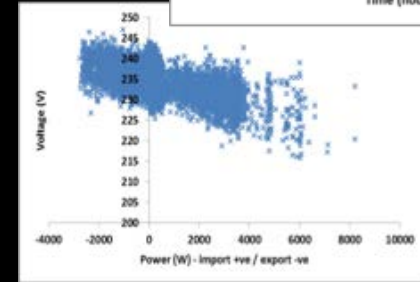
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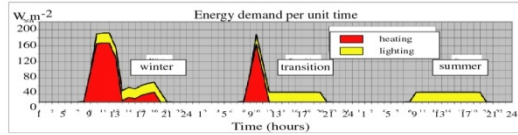
effective combustion



power quality



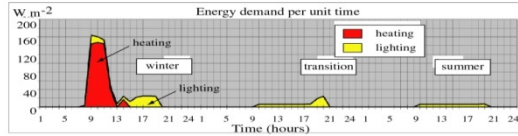
# Support for embedded generation



Base Case

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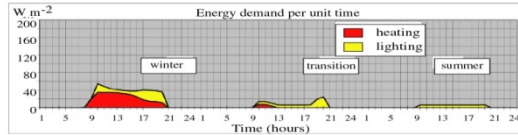
Heating 118.3 kWh m<sup>-2</sup>y<sup>-1</sup>  
Lighting 100.1 kWh m<sup>-2</sup>y<sup>-1</sup>  
Total 218.4 kWh m<sup>-2</sup>y<sup>-1</sup>



As above  
+ advanced glazing

Annual Energy Demands

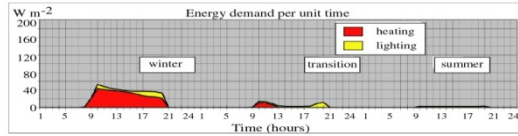
Heating 64.5 kWh m<sup>-2</sup>y<sup>-1</sup>  
Lighting 41.6 kWh m<sup>-2</sup>y<sup>-1</sup>  
Total 106.1 kWh m<sup>-2</sup>y<sup>-1</sup>



As above  
+ transparent insulation  
+ daylight utilisation

Annual Energy Demands

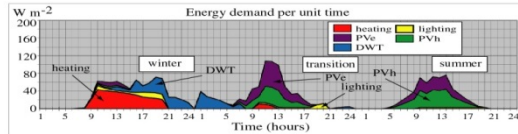
Heating 38.2 kWh m<sup>-2</sup>y<sup>-1</sup>  
Lighting 41.6 kWh m<sup>-2</sup>y<sup>-1</sup>  
Total 79.8 kWh m<sup>-2</sup>y<sup>-1</sup>



As above  
+ efficient lighting  
+ responsive heating

Annual Energy Demands

Heating 49.0 kWh m<sup>-2</sup>y<sup>-1</sup>  
Lighting 20.0 kWh m<sup>-2</sup>y<sup>-1</sup>  
Total 69.0 kWh m<sup>-2</sup>y<sup>-1</sup>



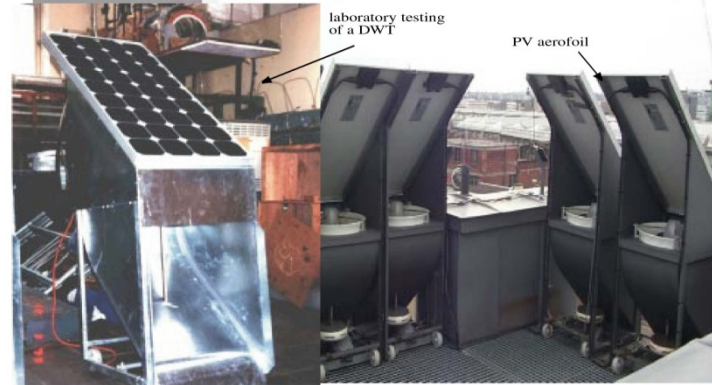
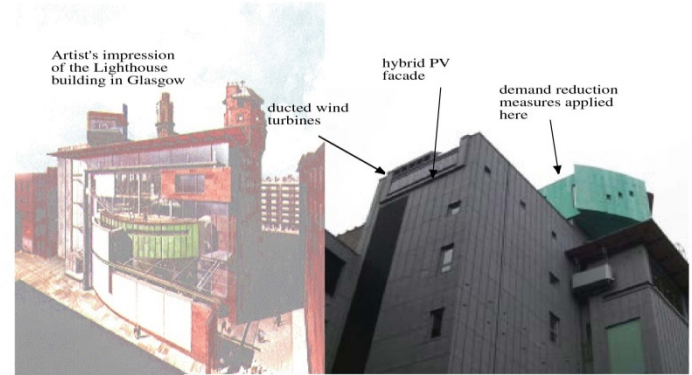
As above  
+ active renewables

Annual Energy Demands

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Lighting 20.0 kWh m<sup>-2</sup>y<sup>-1</sup>  
Total 69.0 kWh m<sup>-2</sup>y<sup>-1</sup>

DWT 25.0 kWh m<sup>-2</sup>y<sup>-1</sup>  
PVc 33.8 kWh m<sup>-2</sup>y<sup>-1</sup>  
PVh 41.0 kWh m<sup>-2</sup>y<sup>-1</sup>

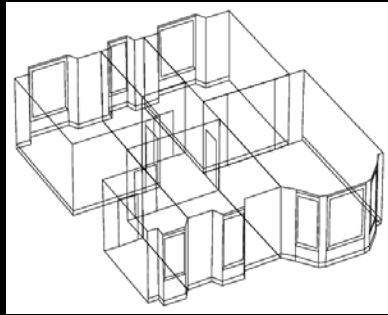
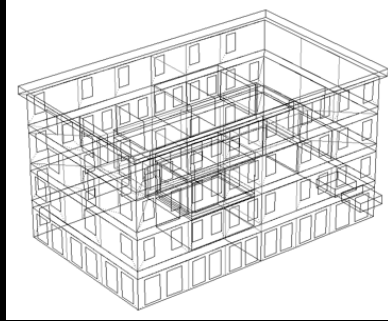
evaluating options



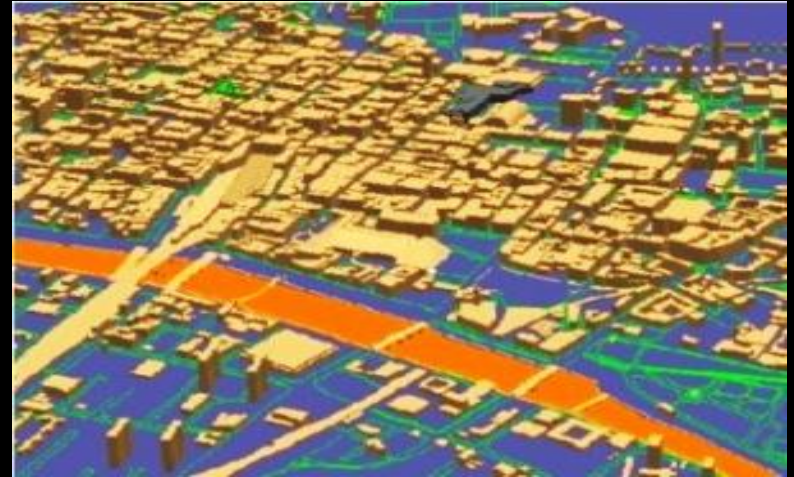
micro power system deployment



# Automatic stock model generation



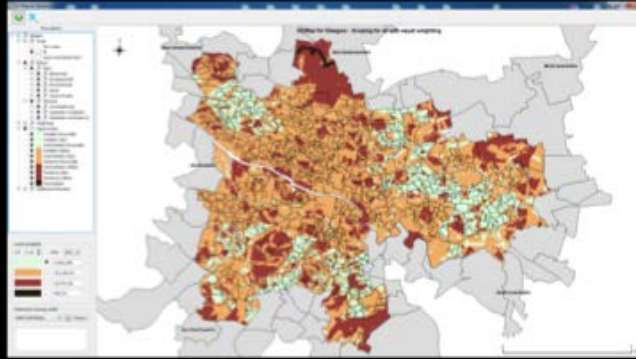
- ❑ Diversification of standard archetypes to represent all parameter combinations.
- ❑ Virtual 3D models used to extent city cadasters.
- ❑ Application potential immense.



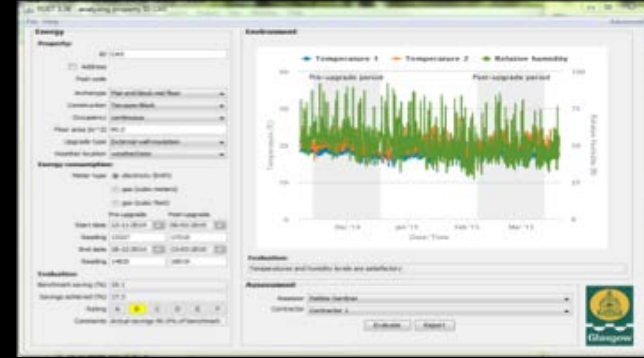
Models available for use by different stakeholders.

# Simulation-based simplified tools

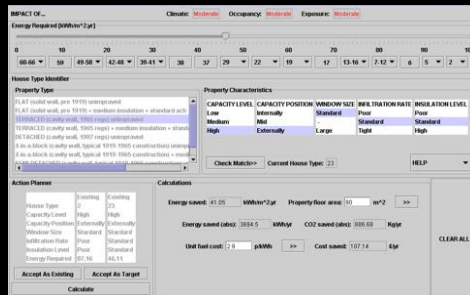
opportunity mapping



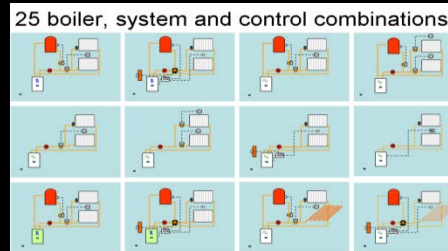
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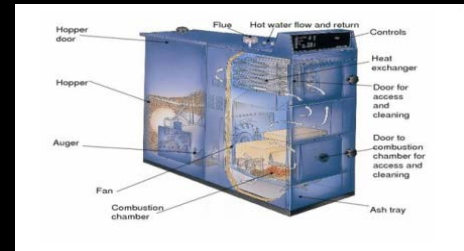
stock upgrade planning



control systems



biomass heating





## Urban energy management and action planning



Presence  
Behaviour  
Environment

HVAC  
Power  
ICT

Weather  
Air quality  
GIS

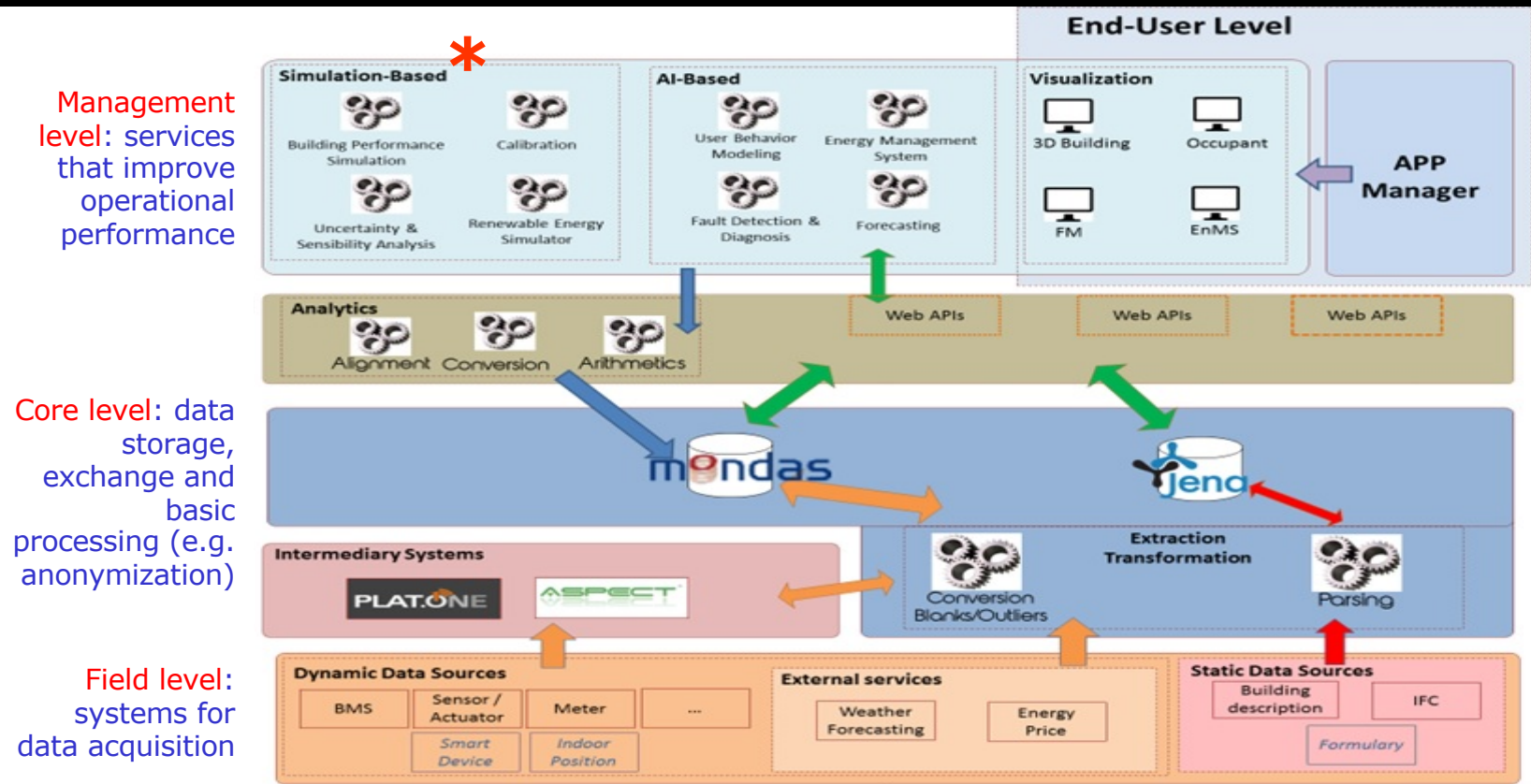
## Mash-up Platform

## Simulation services

## Information services

## Perceptualisation services

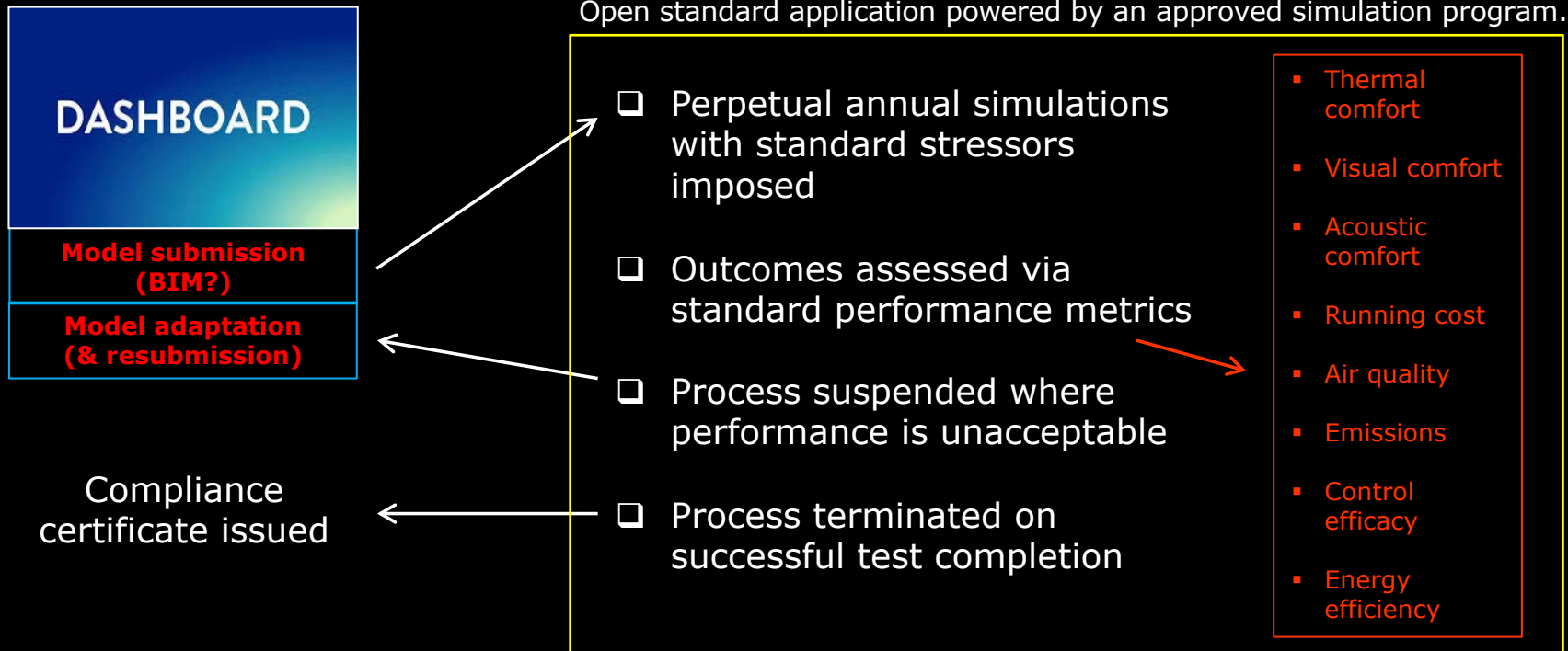
# The platform



## **Problems with performance simulation**

- ❑ Violation of one or more of the 4 principles resulting in low resolution modelling, especially of technical systems.
- ❑ Use of non-harmonised operational assumptions, performance assessments and outcome analyses approaches rendering results opaque and incomparable.
- ❑ The hubristic expectation that the future performance of a complex energy system can be predicted in any meaningful way.
- ❑ The real destiny of simulation is to test operational resilience in a manner that:
  - is based on high integrity models;
  - does not require users to define performance assessments and interpret results;
  - is standardised across all tool users and problem types; and
  - facilitates proposal intercomparison.

# Resilience testing environment



RTE assures acceptable performance under a range of conditions and in terms of relevant criteria.

Models can still be used to size system components for peak demand or obtain outputs to legislative compliance.

## Effective solutions require whole systems thinking



The challenge is to harmonise the application of simulation.