

IEE Solar Combi+

WP3 – Virtual Case Studies

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Subtasks of WP3

- **3.1** Preparation of system implementation in simulation tools
- **3.2** Definition of applications (3-5) and locations to be studied
- **3.3** Determination of loads for the applications and locations
- **3.4** Determination of possible system configurations and control strategies



Subtasks of WP3

- **3.5** Simulation study (variation: load files, sizes and component characteristics)
- **3.6** Energy-related evaluation of case studies and comparison with reference systems
- **3.7** Economic-related evaluation of case studies and comparison with reference systems



3.2: Definition of applications and locations


- I. Office building
cold distribution system: fan coils, supply air cooling
(7°C/12°C)
- II. Residential building
cold distribution system: fan coils (7°C/12/°C)
- III. Residential building
cold distribution system: chilled ceilings, etc. (15°C/20°C)
- Building standard: according to climatic zones of
Ecoheatcool?



3.2: Definition of applications and locations



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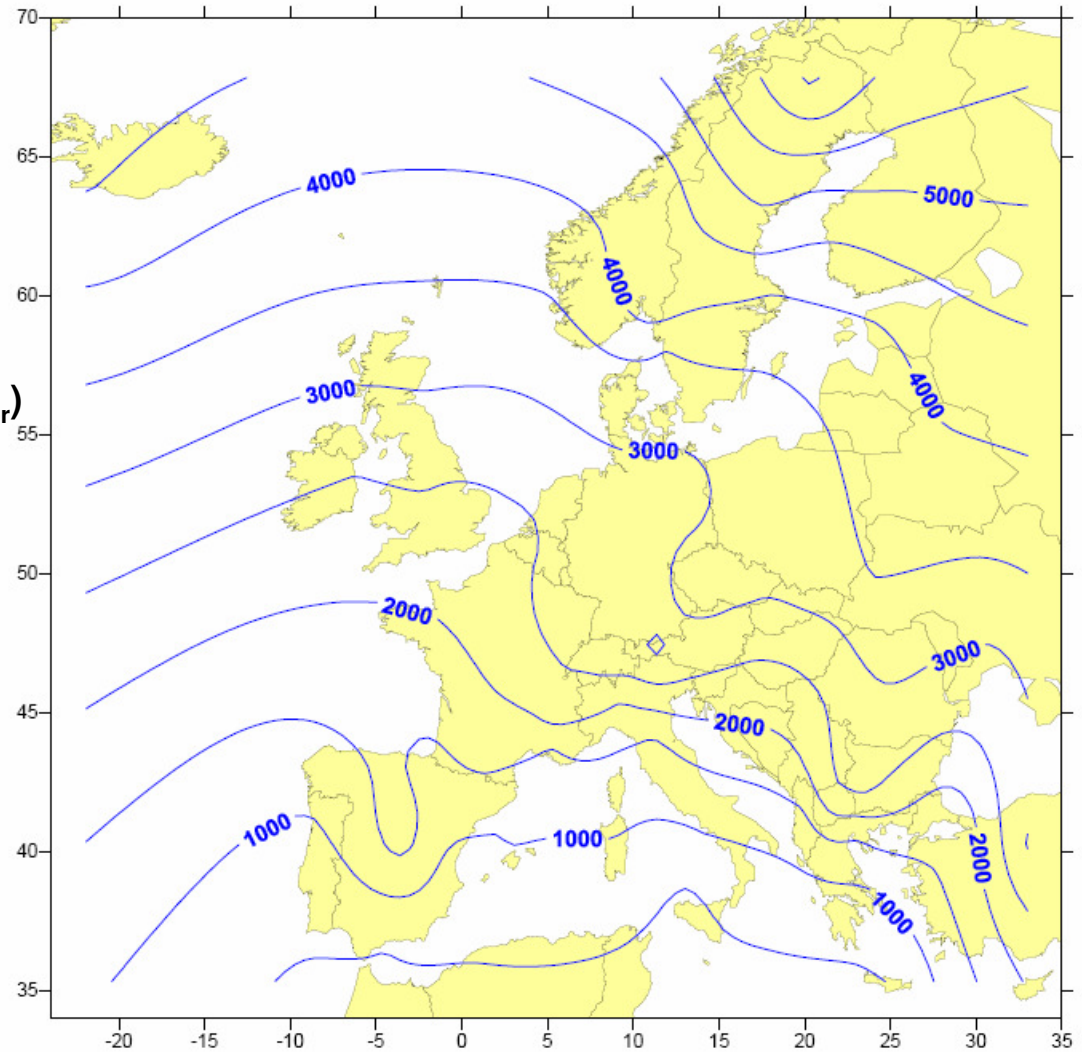
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Ecoheatcool: Heating degree days

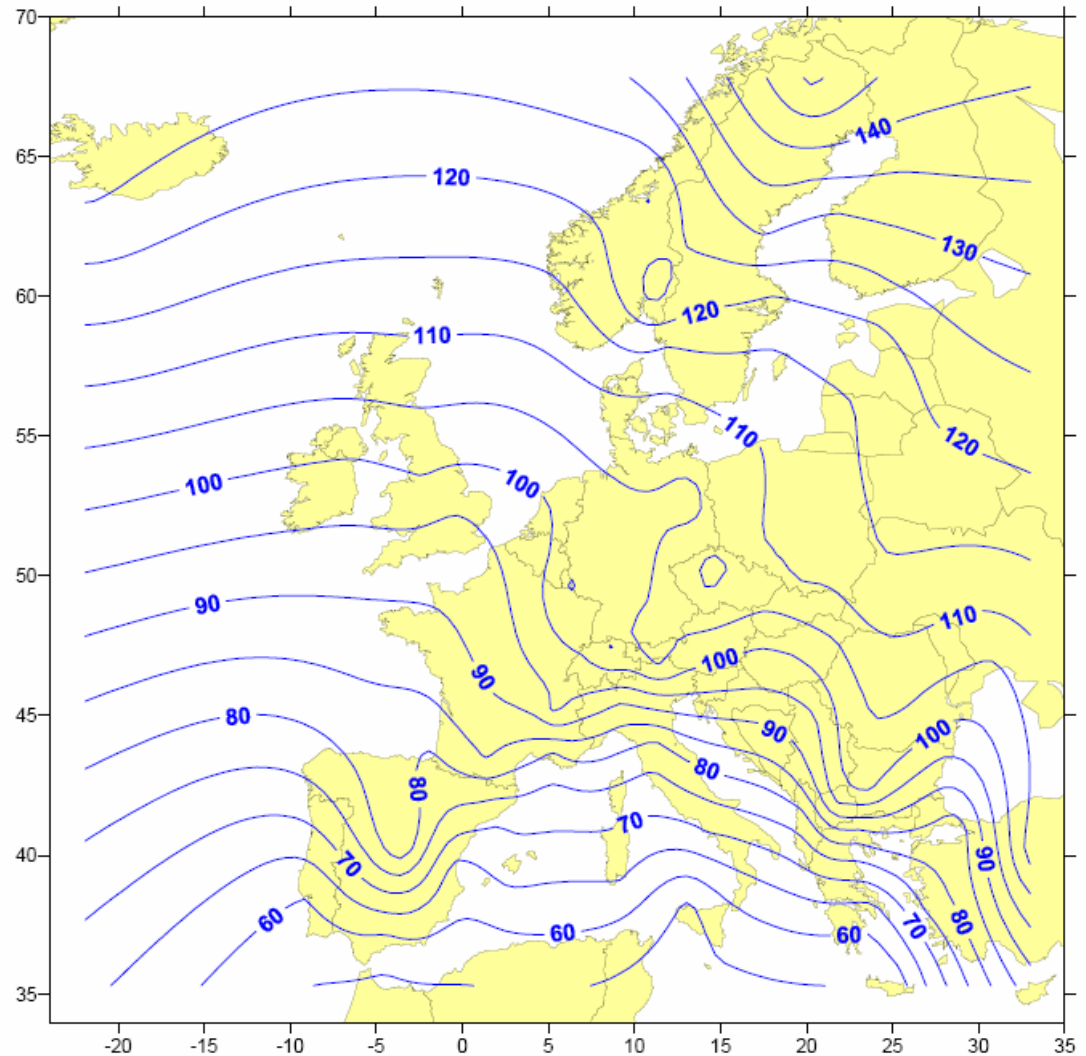
- Method:
 $T_{\text{eff,indoor}} = 17^\circ\text{C}$ daily average
 $T_{\text{outdoor}} =$ daily average
 $T_{\text{limit}} = 13^\circ\text{C}$
if $T_{\text{outdoor}} < T_{\text{limit}}$:

$$h_{\text{degree_days}} = (T_{\text{eff,indoor}} - T_{\text{outdoor}})$$



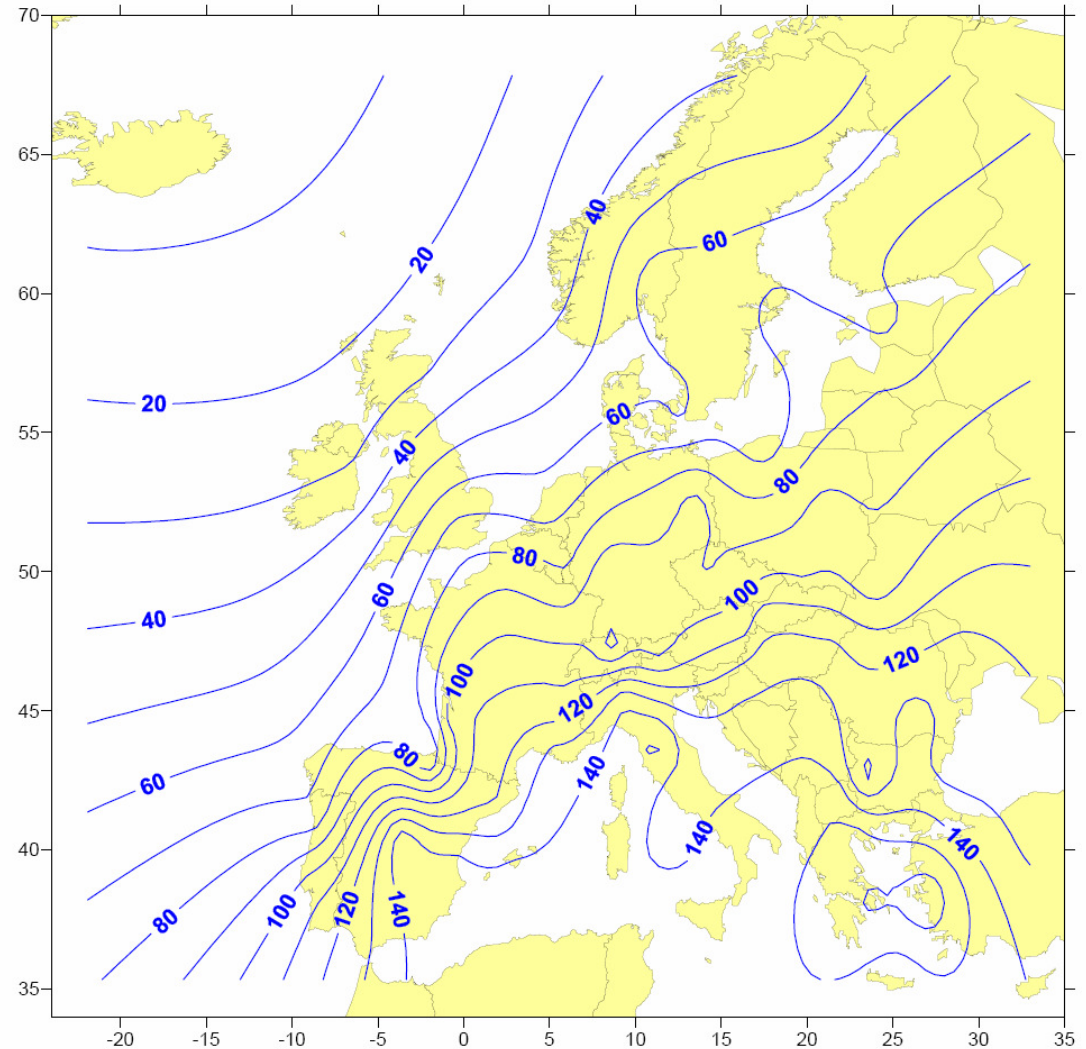
Ecoheatcool: European heating index EHI

- Method:
opt. Insulation thickness:
 $\propto (h_degree_days)^{1/2}$;
heat use:
 $\propto (h_degree_days)^{1/2}$
⇒
EHI: $\propto (h_degree_days)^{1/2}$,
normalised at h_degree_day
2600, e.g., Strasbourg
(av. outdoor temp. approx. 10°C)
- Example:
EHI Kiruna: 151
EHI Palermo: 54
heating demand ratio
Kiruna / Palermo = 151/54 = 2.8



Ecoheatcool: European cooling index ECI

- Method:
 - Outdoor temperature predominates heating and cooling demand
 - heating demand predominates building insulation
 - Definition of cooling degree days:
if $T_{\text{outdoor}} < 29^{\circ}\text{C}$: $T_{\text{indoor}} = 22^{\circ}\text{C}$
else: ($T_{\text{indoor}} = T_{\text{outdoor}} - 7^{\circ}\text{C}$)
⇒
EHI: $\propto (\text{c_degree_days})^{1/2}$,
normalised to av. European cooling conditions (Strasbourg,..)
(av. outdoor temp. approx. 10°C)
- Average space cooling demand proportional to ECI
- Humidity control not considered



Climatic zones in Solar Combi+

- **3 climatic zones**

Suggestion for EHI / ECI:

100 / 100 (Strasbourg)

90 / 120 (South of France, North of Italy)

70 / 140 (South of Spain and Italy)

- Northern European areas:

below economic reasonable operation time of cooling system?



3.3: Determination of loads

- **Base load files for heating / cooling / DHW**
generated with x types of buildings (applications) for
 y climate zones
(no. Of base load files: $x*y$)

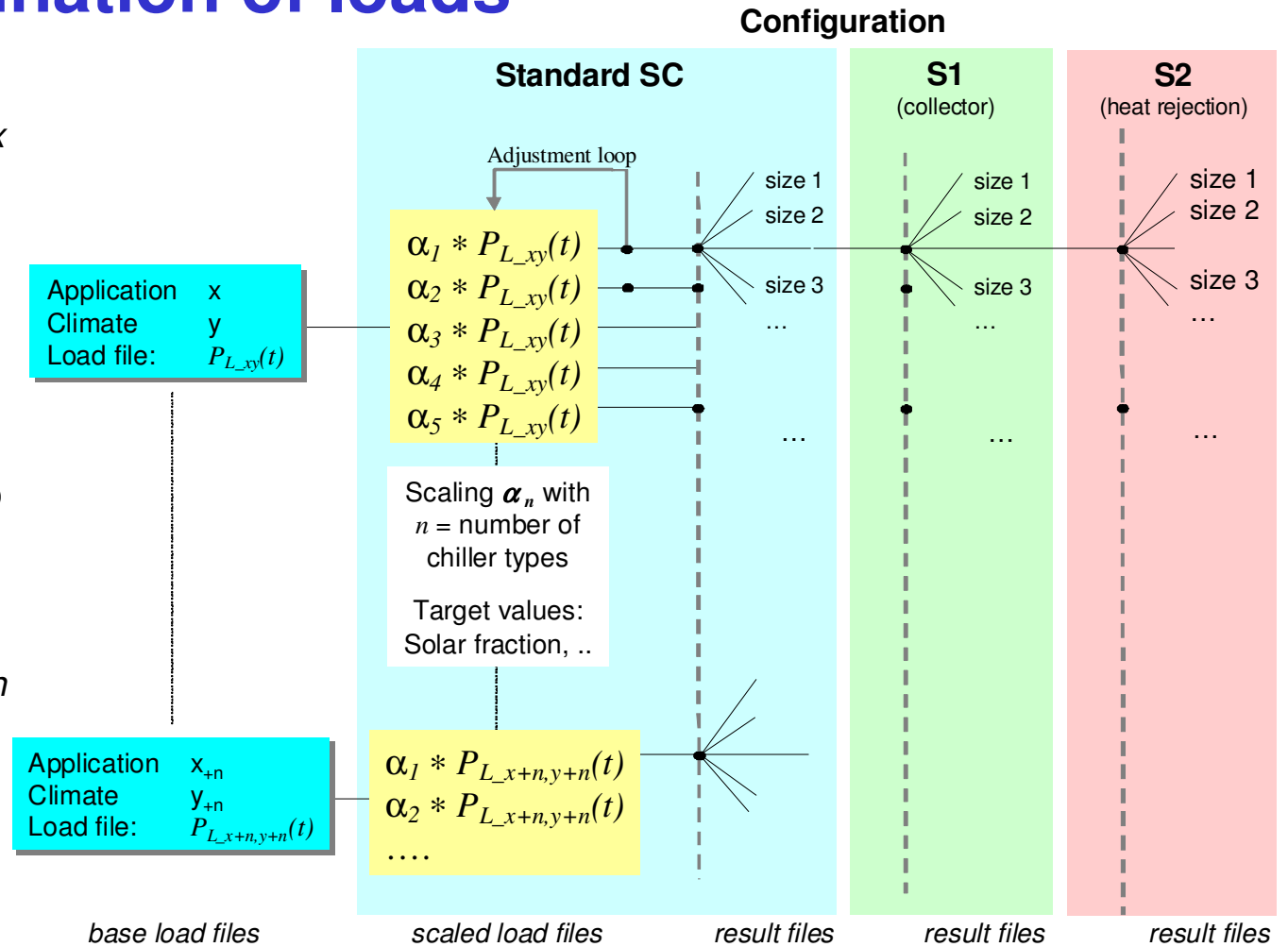
- **Problem: Building models with fixed geometry**
With different chiller types (4.5 kW – 15 kW)
different solar coverage of heating/cooling demand
with base load files
⇒ difficult to interpret

- **Solution**
⇒ load file scaling procedure



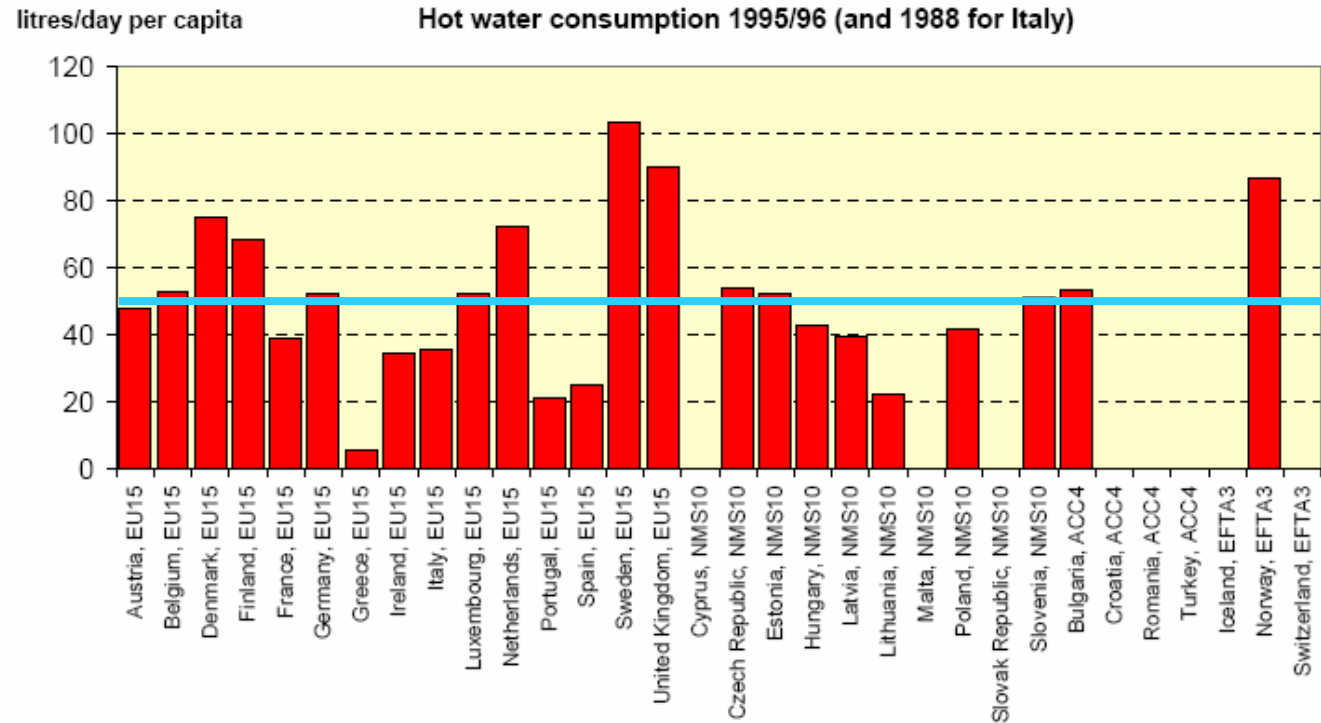
3.3: Determination of loads

- Generation of Base Load files for x applications, y climates
- Scaling procedure of Base Load files (interaction with System Standard Configuration) Scaling according to target values (PE-saving, ..)
- **Result:** Set of load files for n chillers, x applications and y climates for the system standard configuration



Ecoheatcool: domestic hot water consumption

- 50°C temperature difference supply / source water
- Average: approx. 50 l/day per capity



Source: Ecoheatcool / WP1: European heat market



Structure of load files

- Example: 3 applications, 3 climate zones, 5 different chiller applications
⇒ 45 scaled load files
- Load file combines heating / cooling / DHW loads with meteorological data
- Time resolution of data: one hour; length: one year

Hour of the year	Month	Day	Hour	T _{amb}	rH _{amb}	T _{room,set}	rH _{room,set}	P _{heating,sensible}	P _{heating,latent}	..
hh	mm	dd	hh	°C	%	°C	%	kW	kW	..
1	1	1	1					
2	1	1	2	..						
3								

..	P _{cooling,sensible}	P _{cooling,latent}	T _{DHW}	V _{DHW}	G _{horizontal}	G _{diffus}
..	kW	kW	°C	m ³ /h	W/m ²	W/m ²
..				
..	..					



3.4: system configurations

■ Small size chillers to be considered

Chiller model	Manufacturer	Rated chilling capacity [kW]	Rated chilled water temperature* [°C]	heat rejection mode at rated conditions
Solar 7	Rotartica	4.5	7/12°C	Dry cooling
ACS 05	SorTech	5.5 *	15/18°C	Wet cooling (dry cooling possible)
ClimateWell 10	ClimateWell	10	17/?°C	Wet cooling (dry cooling possible)
Suninverse	Sonnenklima	10	15/18°C	Wet cooling (dry cooling possible)
Wegracal SE 15	EAW	15	11/17°C	Wet cooling

* SorTech: replaced by new chiller with 7.5 kW capacity (spring 2008)

3.4: system configurations

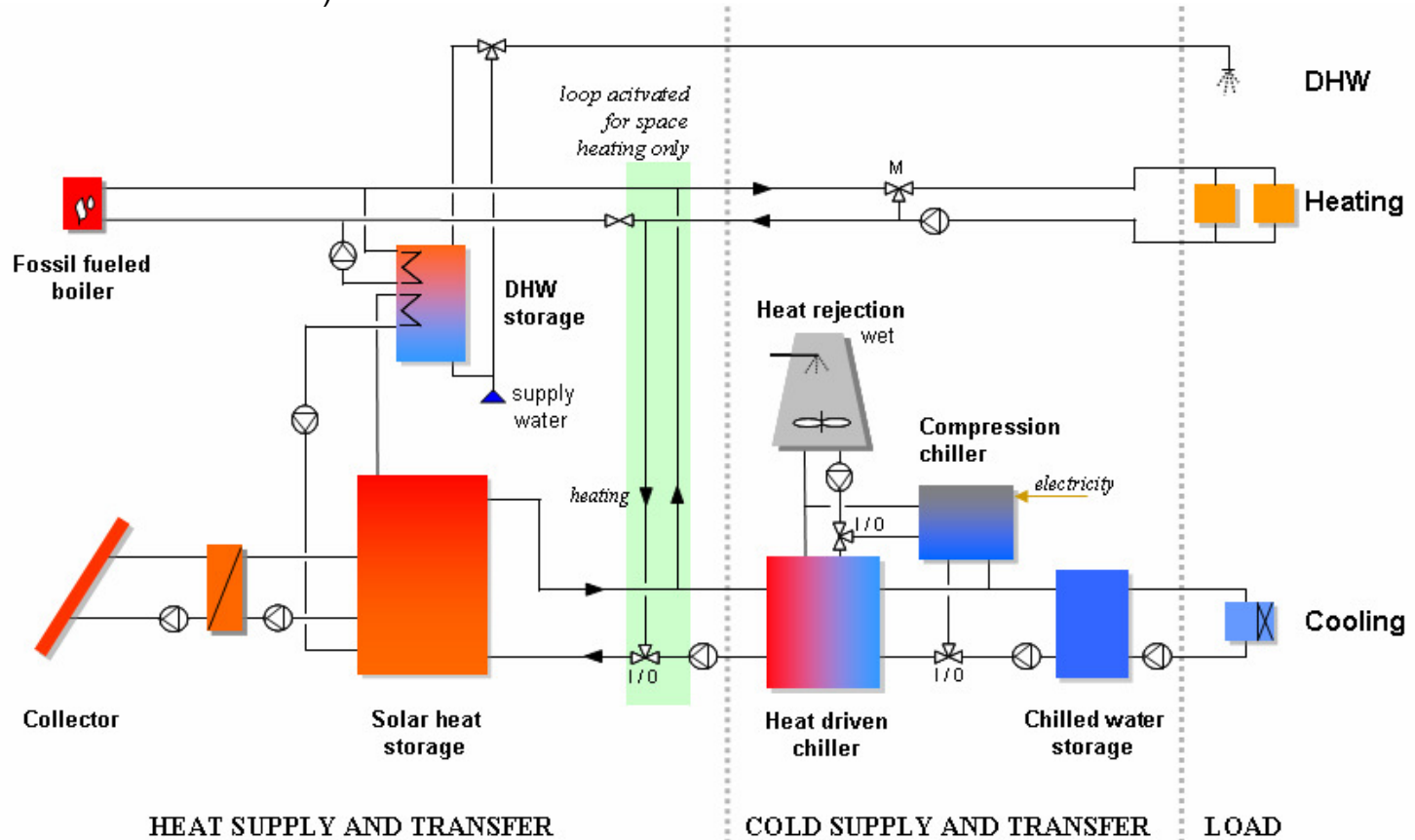
Standard configuration

- No bypass of solar hot water storage (avoiding control problems, simplifying hydraulic)
- Either solar thermal operation or fossil fueled operation of chiller
- No return temperature lift of solar heat by fossil fueled boiler (avoiding fossil heating of solar storage and decrease of collector utilisation)
- Solar heat storage: with or without stratification charging unit? Will be considered in TRNSYS simulations, but the effect is probably small due to small temperature differences and high mass flow rates
- External solar heat exchanger: gives more flexibility in storage (normally larger than for pure solar combi systems)
- Chilled water storage; size to be determined (hydraulic junction or real cold storage effect)
- Input from WP2



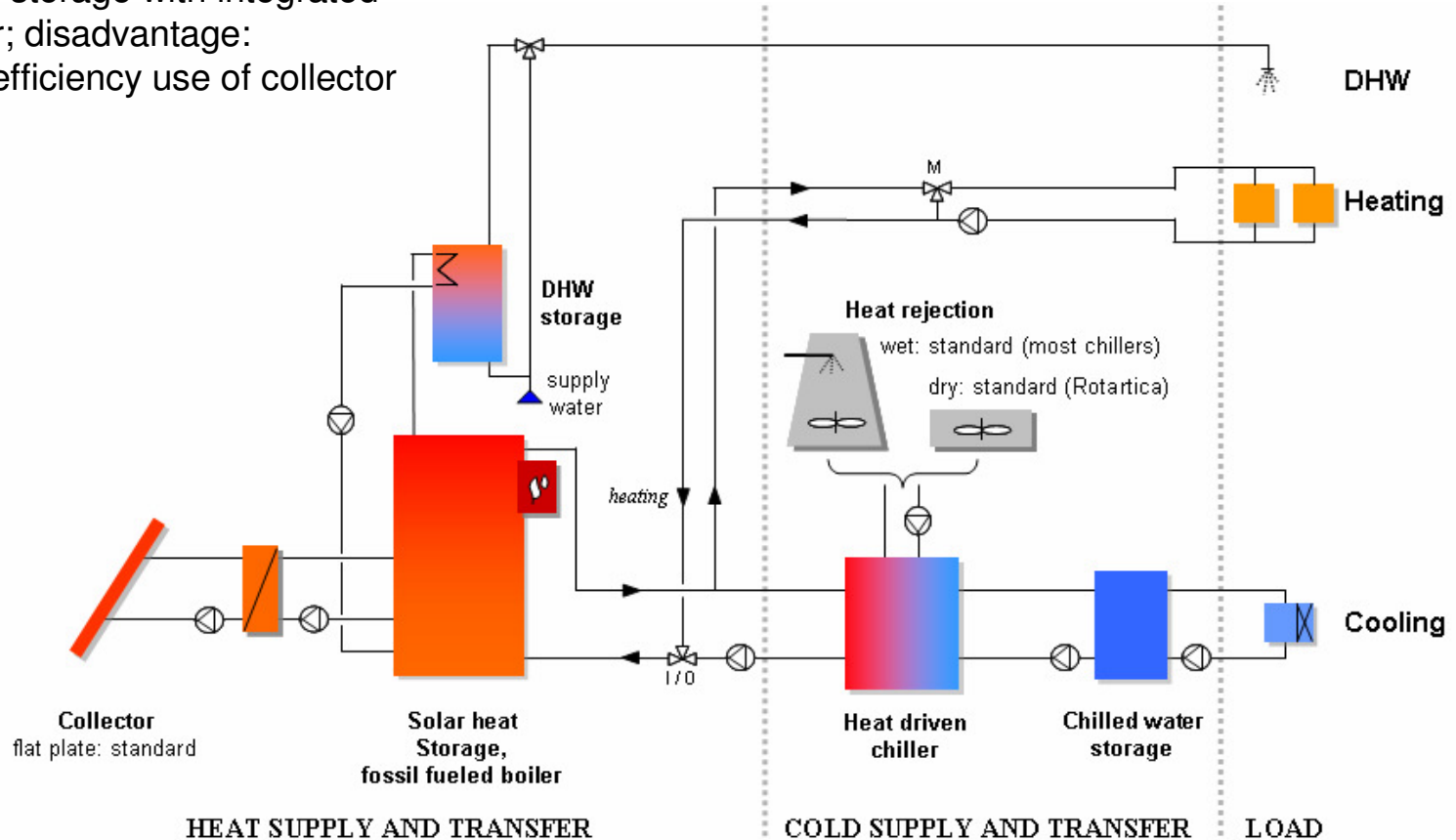
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- Alternative configuration (e.g., for 15 kW EAW chiller)



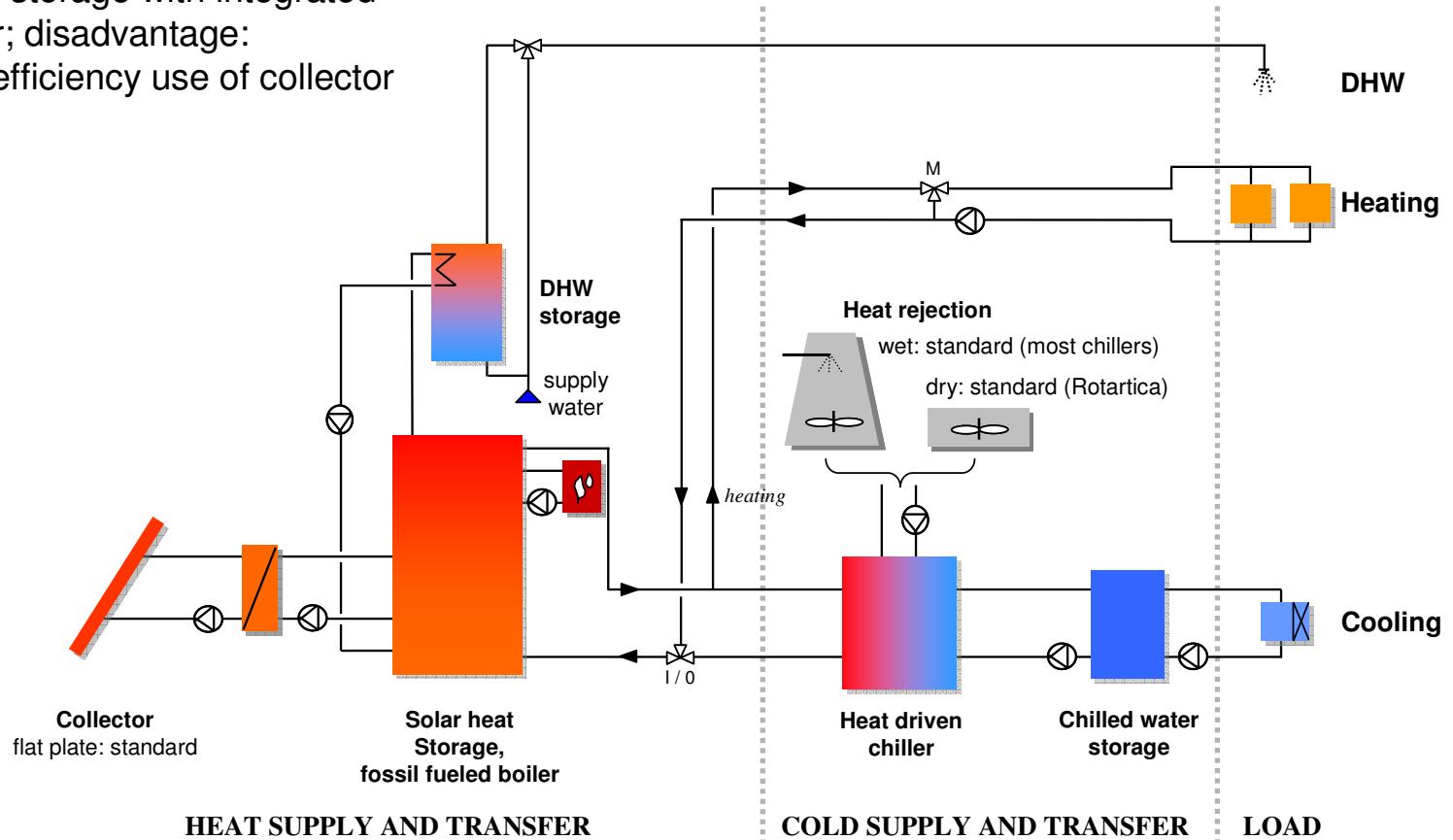
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- Alternative configuration
Solar storage with integrated boiler; disadvantage:
less efficiency use of collector



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3.5: simulation study

- Example: 3 applications, 3 climate zones, 5 different chiller applications
⇒ 45 scaled load files
- 2 collectors, 5 collector sizes, 2 storage sizes, 2 heat rejection systems
⇒ 1800 simulations (without reference calculations)
- Shared with partners

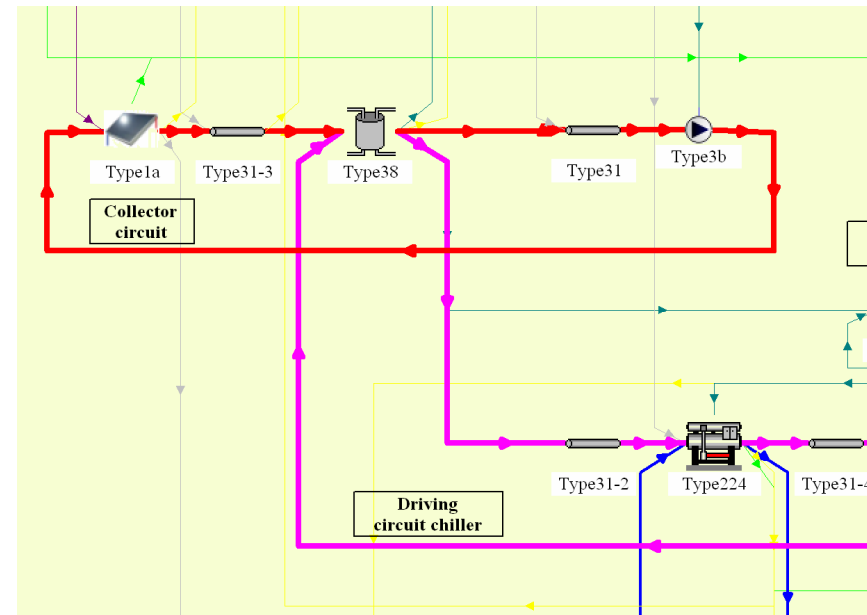
Climate_1												
	Office				Residential_1				Residential_2			
config. S1	FPC		ETC		FPC		ETC		FPC		ETC	
config. S2	HR _{wet}	HR _{dry}	HR _{wet}	HR _{dry}	HR _{wet}	HR _{dry}	HR _{wet}	HR _{dry}	HR _{wet}	HR _{dry}	HR _{wet}	HR _{dry}
chiller_1	<i>dim</i>	<i>dim</i>										
chiller_2	<i>dim</i>	..										
chiller_3	..											
chiller_4												
chiller_5												
reference												
Climate_2												
	Office				Residential_1				Residential_2			
...	...											

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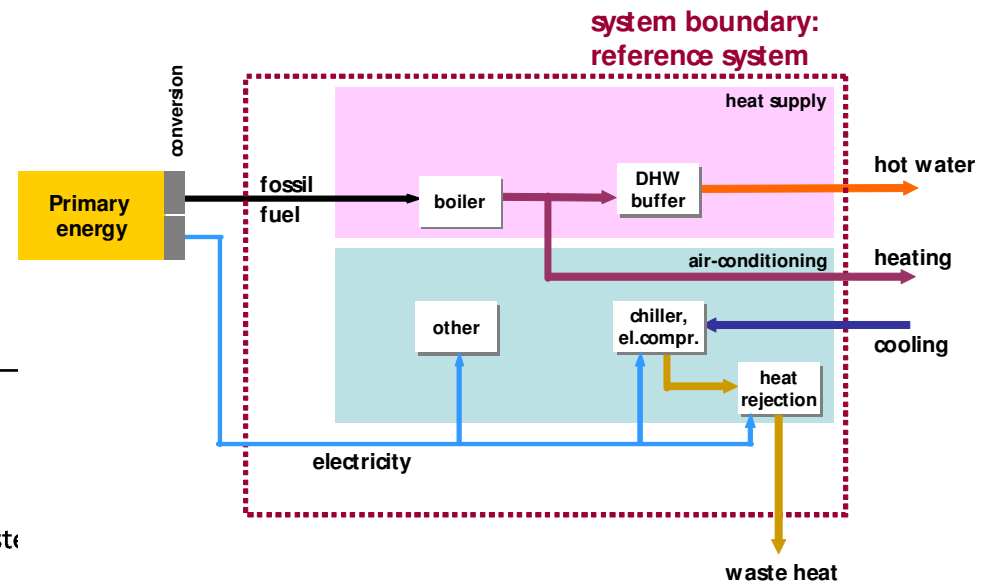
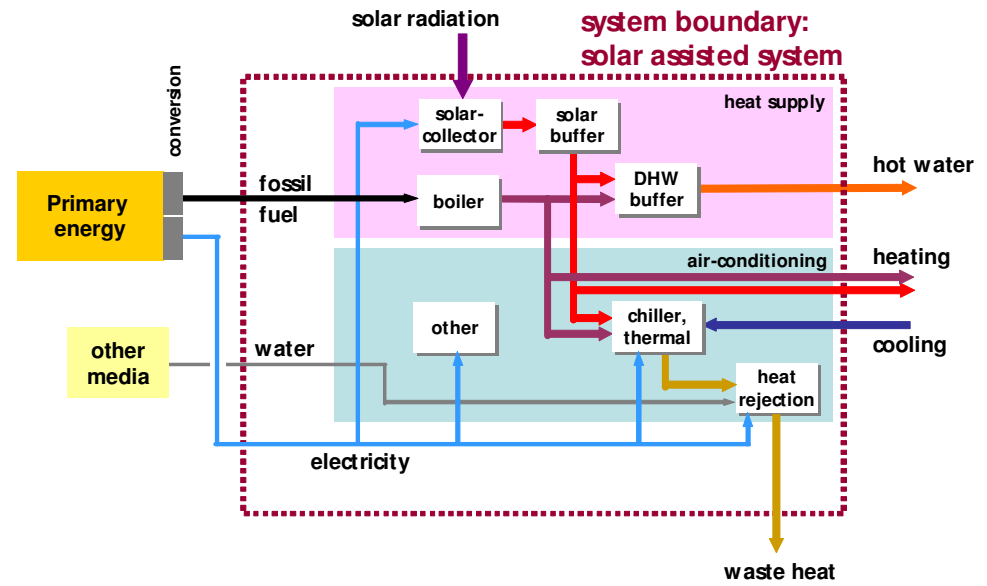
3.1: preparation of system implementation in simulation tools

- No coupled building / system simulation
- Standard TRNSYS types as far as possible
- Chiller types:
models or data files from manufacturer / distributor;
received:
 - TRNSYS 16 type for ClimateWell chiller
 - TRNSYS 15 type for Sonnenklima (no source code, not transferable)
 - Data set of SorTech 5.5 kW chiller
- Further system implementation is connected with WP 3.4



3.6, 3.7: energetic and economic evaluation

- Comprehensive annual energy balance
- Comparison on base of reference system simulation results
- Collector efficiency, collector yield, Primary energy savings, ..
- On base of user input: cost figures
- Statistics: hours with additional auxiliary energy demand for cooling
- ...



Next steps

- Applications:
 - building definition and modelling
- Selection of sites:
 - choice of climatic zones
- Calculation of base load files
- Agreement on system configurations
- Chiller models: support from supplier
- TRNSYS models of chillers and control; test of models



Next steps

- Setup of TRNSYS decks:
 - standard types (collector, storages,...)
 - types or models for heat rejection
 - configurations (separate for each chiller model) and basic stability tests
 - programm output file structure definition
- Scaling of load files with standard configuration
- Definition of sizing range (collector, storage)
- Simulation runs
- Post-processing of results:
 - monthly / annual evaluation numbers
 - data table

Next steps

- **Applications:**
 - building definition and modelling**
 - end of March 08
 - Definition of applications
 - support: EURAC, AEE-INTEC

Building models (geometry, size, description,...)
review: Task 32 (26)



Next steps

- **Selection of sites**

end 03/08

according to ECOHEATCOOL or other approaches

support: EURAC

- **Calculation of Base Load files**

end of 04/08

meteorological data

Building simulation

ISE



Next steps

- **Agreement on system configurations**

defined: end 03/08

selection of configurations

ISE, TECSOL, commercial partners

technical details (pumps, pipes, insulation, ..)

ISE, commercial partners

TRNSYS decks with system configurations

ISE, support: Uni Bergamo



Next steps

■ Chiller models

data / models, control strategy
ISE, commercial partners

generic model (on base of EAW characteristics?)
yes

■ TRNSYS models of chillers, tests ISE



Next steps

■ Setup of TRNSYS decks

- standard collector types
- selection of collector parameters
- possible: check of selected configuration with capacitance collector model (non-standard TRNSYS type)



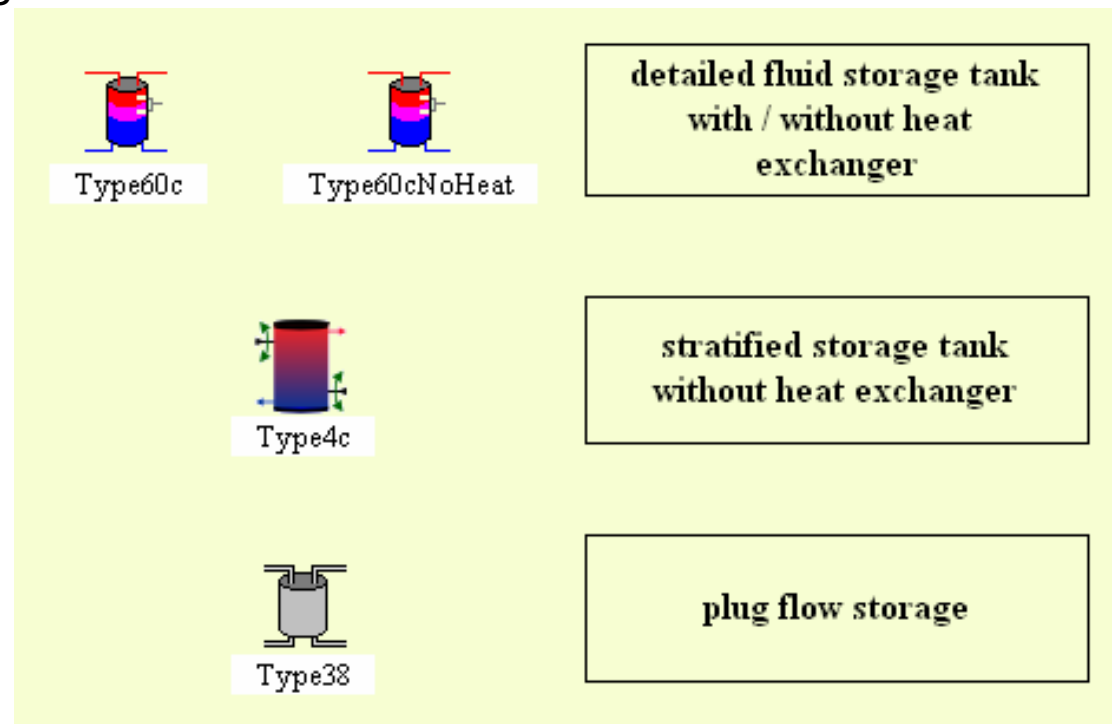
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Next steps

■ Setup of TRNSYS decks

- selection of storage type (depending also from configuration)
- no tank-in-tank storage model



Next steps

- Setup of TRNSYS decks

configurations, stability tests

program output file structure



Next steps

- **Scaling of load files**
(with standard configuration)

- **Sizing range**
to be determined from test runs

- **Simulation runs**



Subtask 3

Virtual case studies

Deliverables:

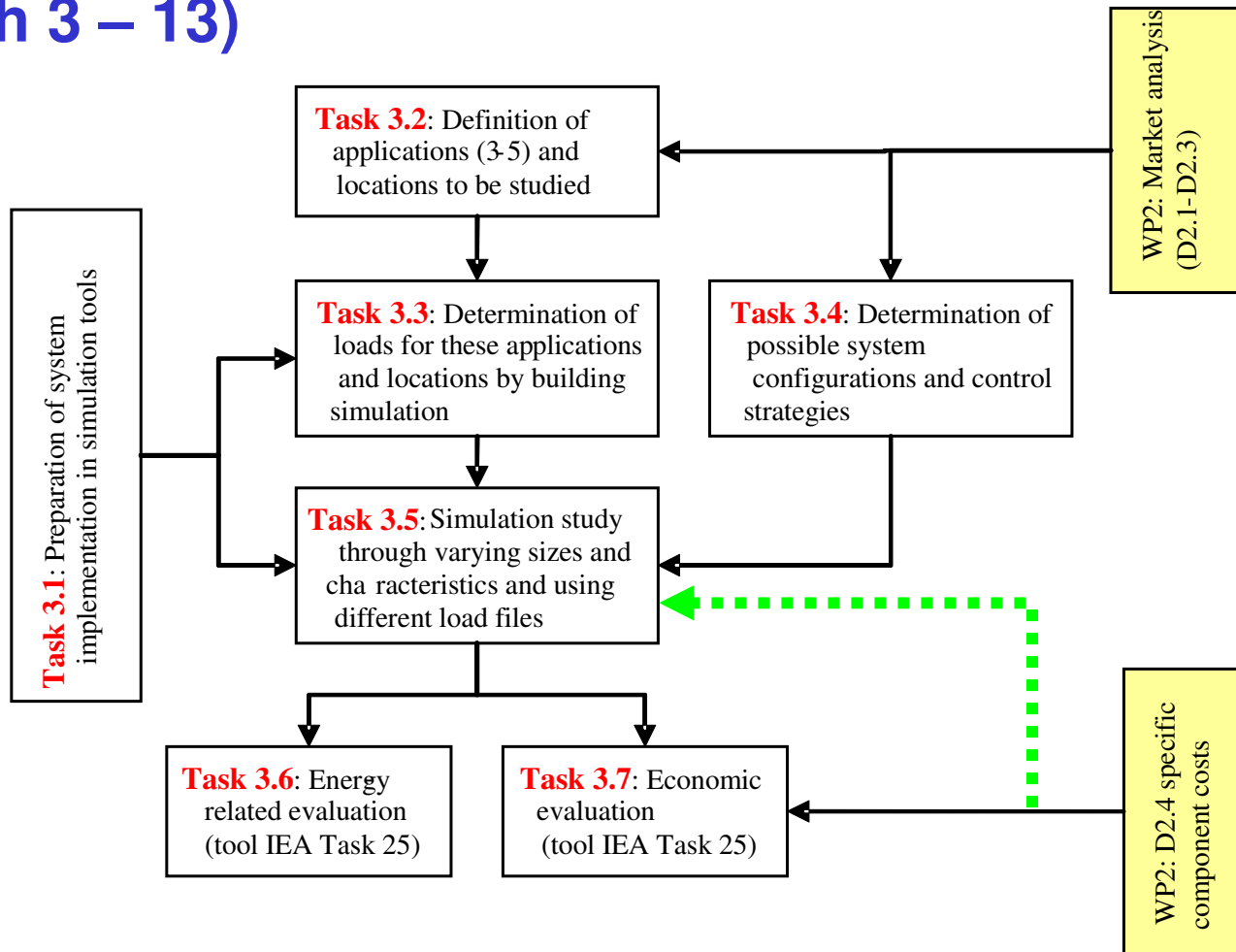
- D3.1
Database with case studies: description and results
month 13

- D3.2
Report with description of methodology
month 13

- D3.3
Report on results
month 13



Solar Combi+, Work package 3 (month 3 – 13)



Subtask 3.1

Preparation of system implementation in simulation tools

- Available model from IEA Task 25: **ab**sorption chiller model, developed by J. Albers, TU Berlin. Parameter sets available:
 - Yazaki WFC10 (with bubble pump),
 - EAW Wegracal SE 15 (15kW)
 - special .exe for Suninverse (10kW); no source code
 - parameters for other machines may be extracted from appropriate data sheets

- Available model from IEA Task 25: **ad**sorption chiller model, developed by Fraunhofer ISE. Parameters available:
 - Nishiyodo / Mayekawa chiller; > 50 kW
 - parameters for other machines may be extracted from appropriate data sheets

- Climatewell?

Subtask 3.3

Determination of loads / building simulation

NEXT STEPS:

- Building standards:
 - EURAC, CRES, ISE, AEE-INTEC, UNIBG, TECSOL?
- Definition of typical buildings shells, internal loads,...:
 - EURAC, CRES, ISE, AEE-INTEC, UNIBG, TECSOL?
- Calculation and Preparation of annually load files?
 - ...?