

# Heat Pump Pilot Study in Ulaanbaatar

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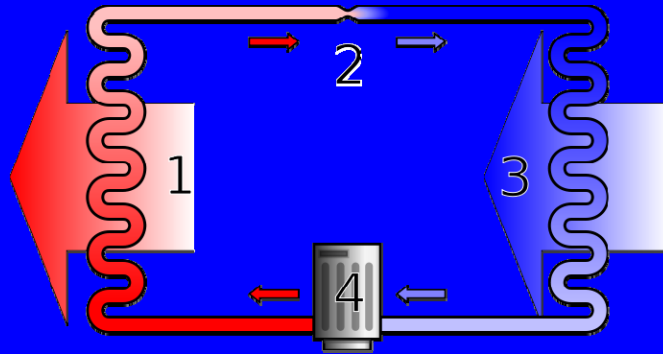
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## Heat pumps

- A **heat pump** is a device that **transfers** heat energy from a source of heat to a destination called a "heat sink".
- Heat pumps are designed to move thermal energy in the opposite direction of spontaneous heat transfer by absorbing heat from a cold space and releasing it to a warmer one.

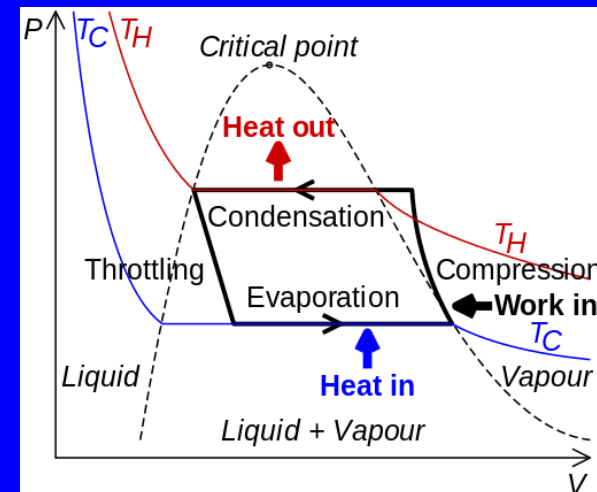


A simple stylized diagram of a heat pump's vapor-compression refrigeration cycle: 1) condenser, 2) expansion valve, 3) evaporator, 4) compressor.

$$COP = \frac{Q}{W} \leq \frac{T_H}{T_H - T_C}$$

$Q$  is the amount of heat delivered to a hot reservoir at temperature  $T_H$   
 $W$  is the energy consumption of heat pump (work input).  
 $T_H$  and  $T_C$  are the temperature of hot and cold reservoir, respectively.

Hypothetical  
 pressure-  
 volume  
 diagram for a  
 typical  
 refrigeration  
 cycle



## Heat Pumps, cont.

- Heat pumps draw heat from the cooler external air (**air source heat pump**) or from the ground (ground source heat pump).
- Although air conditioners and freezers are familiar examples of heat pumps, the term "heat pump" is more general and applies to many HVAC (heating, ventilating, and air conditioning) devices used for **space heating**.

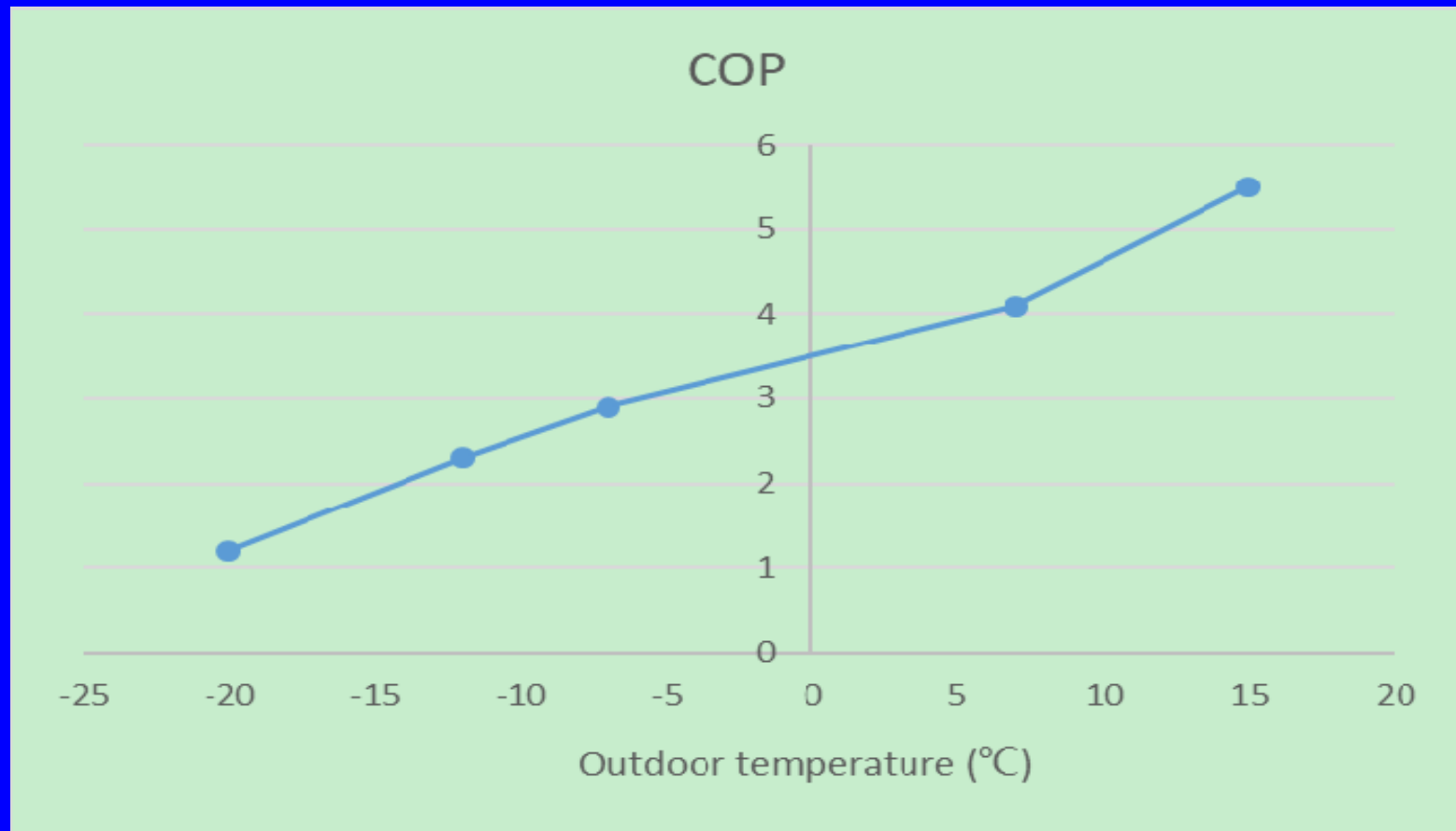
## Coefficient of Performance (COP)

- A heat pump uses a small amount of external power to accomplish the work of transferring energy from the heat source to the heat sink.
- The term **coefficient of performance (COP)** is used to describe the ratio of useful heat movement per work input.

## COP, cont.

- **The COP for heat pumps range from 3 to 5** for air source heat pumps, that means heat pumps are three to five times more effective at heating than simple electrical resistance heaters using the same amount of electricity.
- Due to refrigeration cycle efficiency limits, the **COP will decrease as the outdoor-to-indoor temperature difference increases** (outside temperature gets colder).

# COP: Normal Heat Pump



## **Problems of conventional heat pumps in cold areas**

### **Heating capacity is insufficient in cold ambient conditions**

As the outside air temperature drops, the buildings heating load increases but the heat pumps efficiency decreases.

### **Low reliability in cold ambient conditions**

As the ambient temperature decreases, the suction pressure decreases, which is likely to increase the compression ratio and rapidly increase the discharge temperature. The high discharge temperature may lead to the decomposition of refrigerants and the carbonization of lubricant oils.

### **Low thermal comfort in heating season**

A traditional wall-mounted air source heat pump blows warm air from upper sideways, which causes the warm air to accumulate in and be constrained to the top of the room. Temperature stratification occurs in the vertical direction, which reduces comfort (for instance, owing to cold feet).

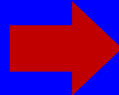


# Improvement by changing compressor

Improved double stage  
enthalpy-added compressor



Traditional  
single stage  
compressor  
(one cylinder)



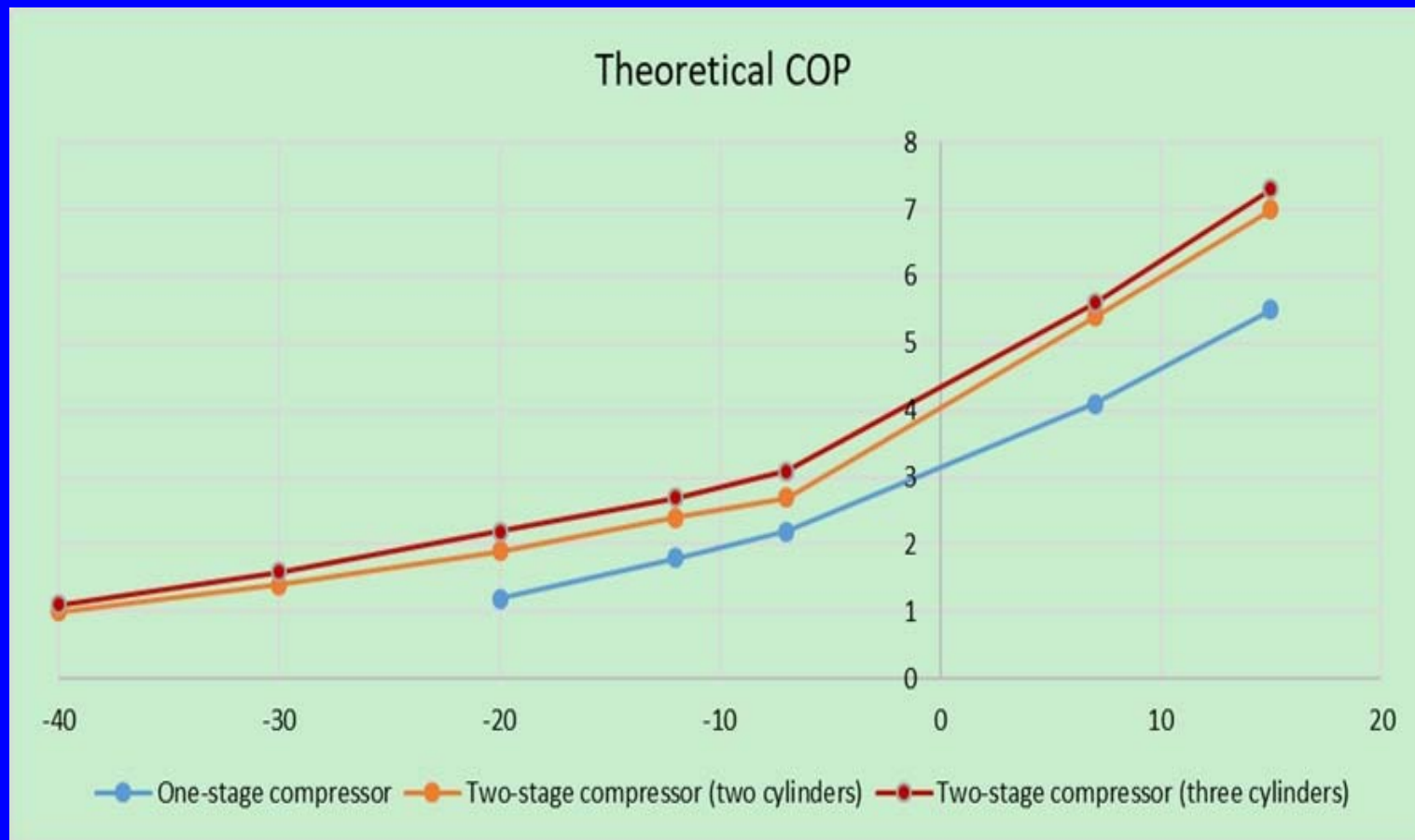
(Two cylinders)



(Three cylinders)

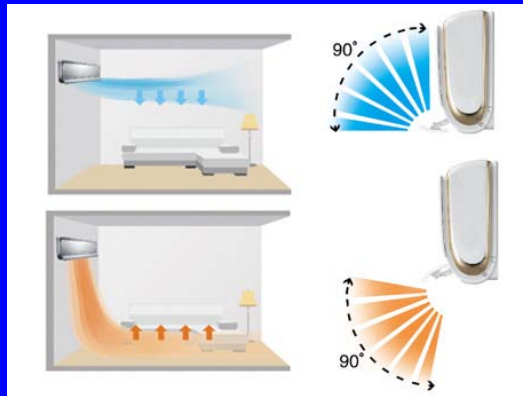
- Enhanced capacity in cold ambient Improved conditions
- COP is up to 2.0+ at the outdoor temperature of  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Can running normally at the outdoor temperature of  $-35^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Includes automatic defrost
- Working fluid is R-32 , Difluoromethane, also called HF C-32.

# Benefits of Double Compression



# Improvements of thermal comfort

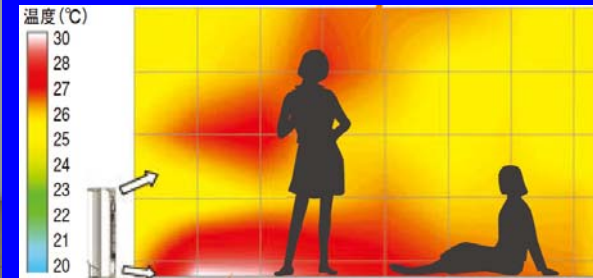
## Generation 1



### Motional air distribution technology

Big air guide louver allows 180°up&down swing and 130°left&right swing. Air distribution is much wider, with cooling from top to bottom and heating from bottom to top.

## Generation 2

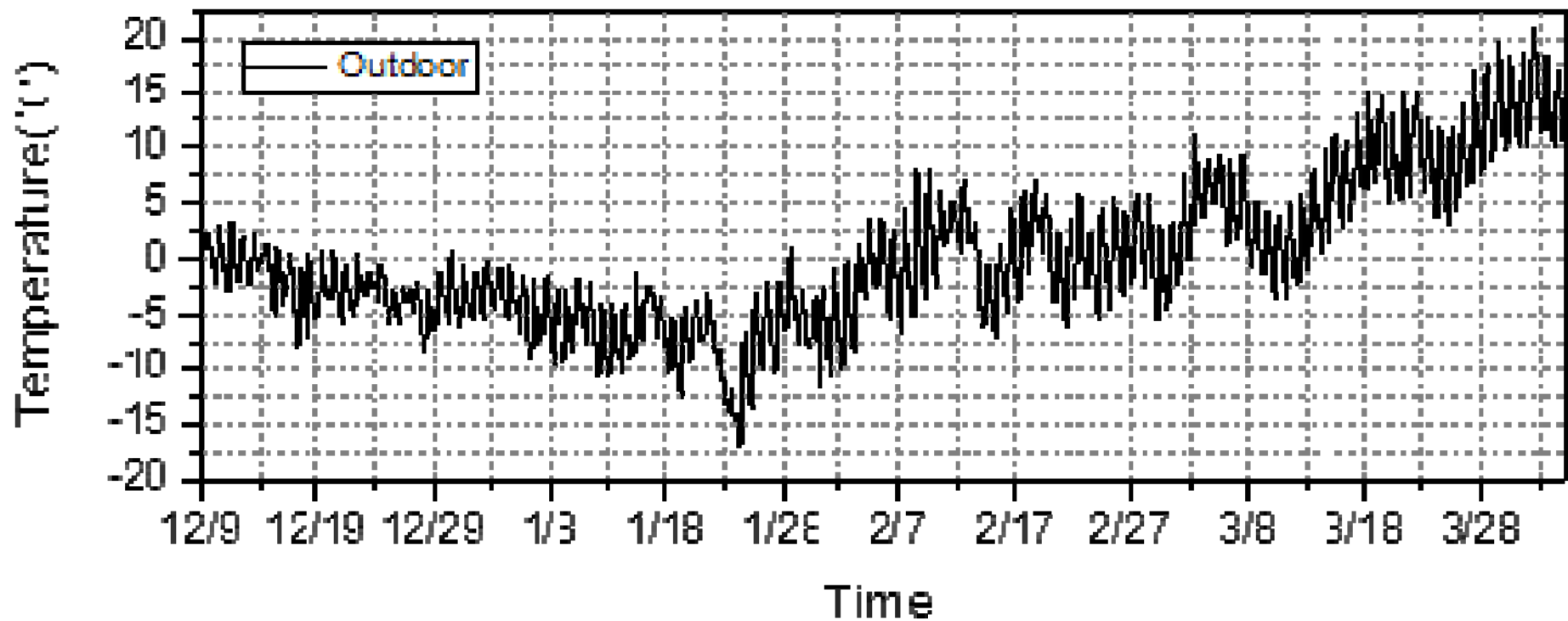


**2 air supply outlets** Warm air can be transported to human body (upper) and feet at the same time.

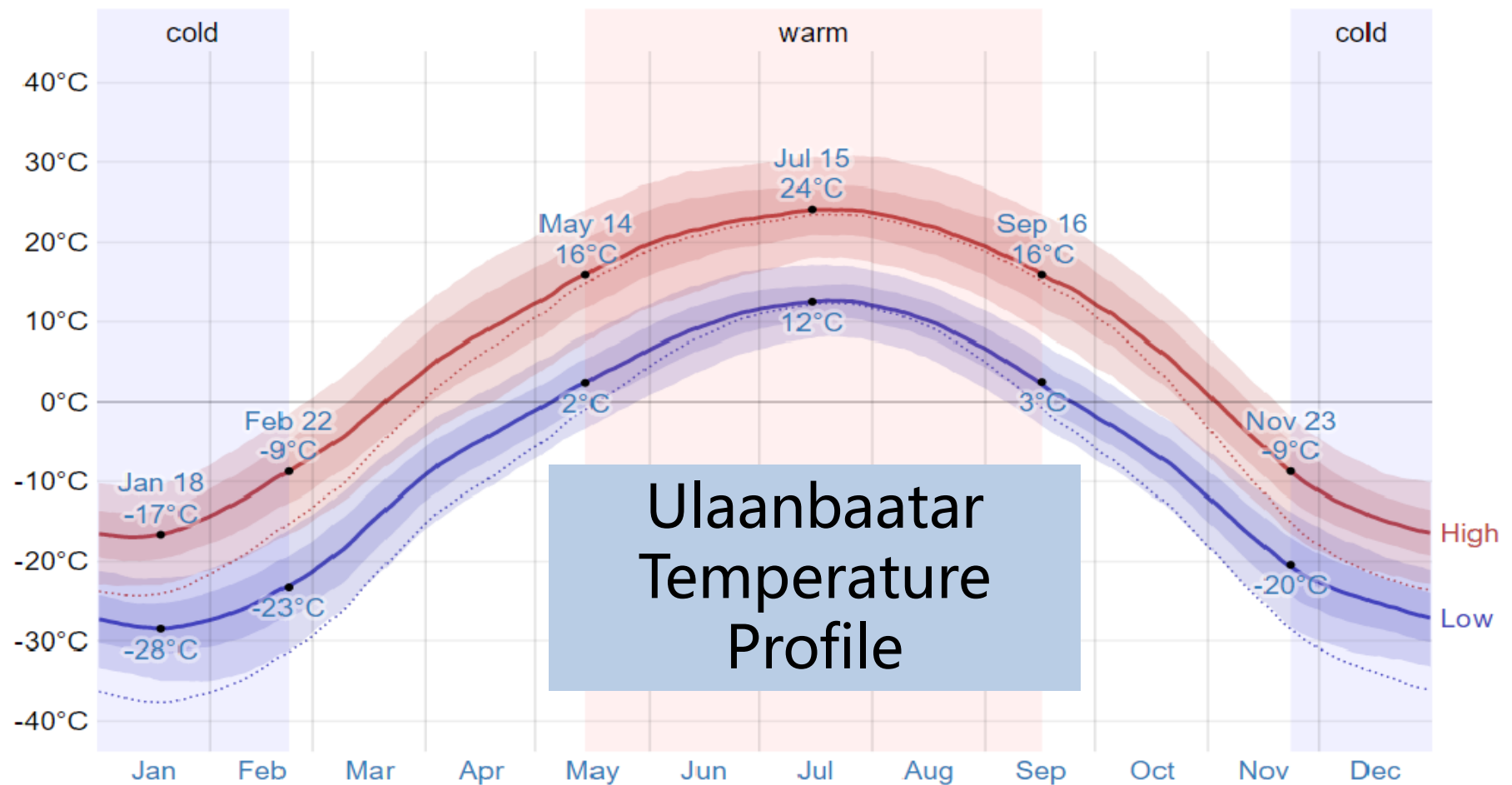
## Case studies in the Beijing Area



# Temperature Profile in China



## Average High and Low Temperature

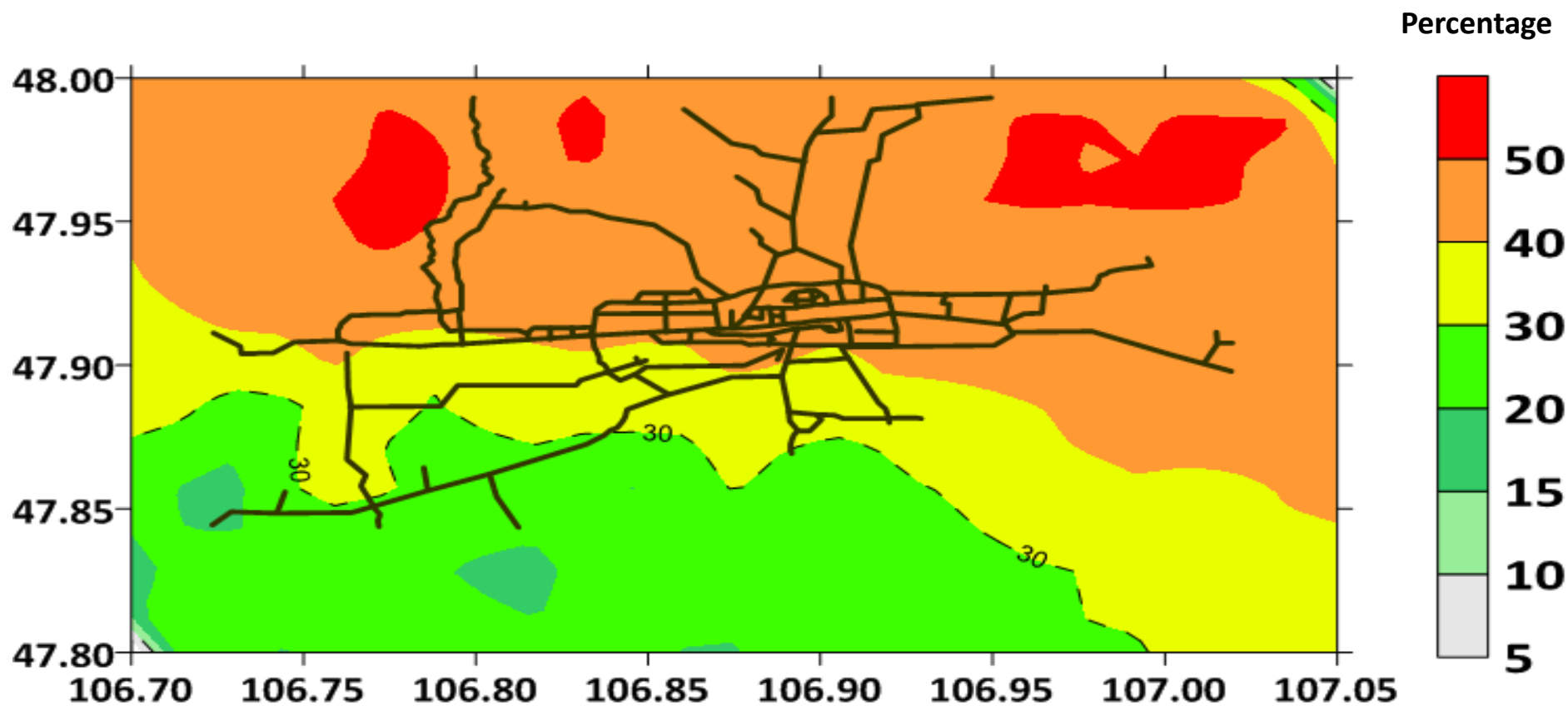


The daily average high (red line) and low (blue line) temperature, with 25th to 75th and 10th to 90th percentile bands. The thin dotted lines are the corresponding average perceived temperatures.



# Modelled Stove Contributions

## Winter Months: Ulaanbaatar



Guttikunda, 2014

# The Current Deployment

- Change in Government in mid-2017 led to greater interest in solving the coal heating problem
- Seven advanced heat pumps were imported from China: two were smaller, less expensive, models.
- Based on surveys and informed consent of householders, they were installed in 2 gers and 5 houses
- The electric company rewired to achieve 4 or 6 kW and installed second meters
- They are being monitoring continuously using both real time data transmitted through cell/web technology
- And dataloggers installed and maintained by the Mongolian team
- Plus regular surveys

























## 1. Detail information about the installation of experimental prototypes

Seven sets of experimental prototypes, including 2 sets of [warm air blower](#) which heating capacity is 4000W and 5 sets of packaged unit which heating capacity is 8500W, are installed in different zone, the detail information are as below.

| Sequence NO. | Type            | Model                    | Prototype No. | Installation Location    | Building Type | Indoor Area (m <sup>2</sup> ) | Photos about Installation Location  |
|--------------|-----------------|--------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------|---|
| 1            | warm air blower | GN-40DZW/(40549)FNhAa-1  | 1#            | See the Attachment No .1 | ger           | 28.26                         |     |
| 2            |                 | GN-40DZW/(40549)FNhAa-1  | 2#            |                          |               | 28.26                         |     |
| 3            | Packaged unit   | KFR-72LW/(72518)FNhAb-A1 | 3#            |                          | household     | 19.78                         |          |
| 4            |                 | KFR-72LW/(72518)FNhAb-A1 | 4#            |                          |               | 39                            |     |
| 5            |                 | KFR-72LW/(72518)FNhAb-A1 | 5#            |                          |               | 28                            |     |
| 6            |                 | KFR-72LW/(72518)FNhAb-A1 | 6#            |                          |               | 27                            |     |
| 7            |                 | KFR-72LW/(72518)FNhAb-A1 | 7#            |                          |               | 42                            |    |

Attachment No .1, detail information about installation location:

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|----|----------------------|---------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------------|---|-----------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|------|---|
|    | Data Collection Time | Running Mode  | outdoor temperature (°C) | setting temperature (°C) | indoor temperature (°C) | middle temperature of evaporator (°C) | fan motor speed of indoor machine (rpm) | compressor frequency (Hz) | fan motor speed of indoor machine (rpm) | consumption power (W) | Discharge Gas Temperature (°C) | AC Current Value (A) |      |   |
| 1  |                      |               |                          |                          |                         |                                       |   |                           |   |                       |                                |                      |      |   |
| 2  | 12/25/2017 9:00      | heating       | -21                      | 30                       | 12                      | -39                                   | closed                                  | 0                         | 0                                       | 0                     | 64                             | 80                   | 0    |   |
| 3  | 12/25/2017 9:01      | dehumidifying | -13                      | 30                       | 12                      | -18                                   | low                                     | 400                       | 0                                       | 0                     | 64                             | 74                   | 0    |   |
| 4  | 12/25/2017 9:02      | heating       | -12                      | 30                       | 13                      | -3                                    | closed                                  | 0                         | 0                                       | 0                     | 64                             | 69                   | 0    |   |
| 5  | 12/25/2017 9:03      | heating       | -11                      | 30                       | 13                      | -1                                    | closed                                  | 0                         | 0                                       | 2                     | 64                             | 67                   | 0    |   |
| 6  | 12/25/2017 9:04      | heating       | -16                      | 30                       | 13                      | 8                                     | closed                                  | 0                         | 36                                      | 78                    | 1376                           | 71                   | 6    |   |
| 7  | 12/25/2017 9:05      | heating       | -21                      | 30                       | 15                      | 26                                    | closed                                  | 0                         | 46                                      | 78                    | 2240                           | 71                   | 10   |   |
| 8  | 12/25/2017 9:06      | heating       | -23                      | 30                       | 16                      | 33                                    | low                                     | 400                       | 56                                      | 78                    | 2432                           | 72                   | 11   |   |
| 9  | 12/25/2017 9:07      | heating       | -24                      | 30                       | 17                      | 37                                    | low                                     | 400                       | 66                                      | 78                    | 2912                           | 75                   | 13   |   |
| 10 | 12/25/2017 9:08      | heating       | -24                      | 30                       | 18                      | 42                                    | low                                     | 400                       | 72                                      | 78                    | 3264                           | 79                   | 14.5 |   |
| 11 | 12/25/2017 9:09      | heating       | -24                      | 30                       | 19                      | 42                                    | low                                     | 400                       | 36                                      | 78                    | 1376                           | 82                   | 6    |   |
| 12 | 12/25/2017 9:10      | heating       | -24                      | 30                       | 20                      | 39                                    | low                                     | 400                       | 56                                      | 78                    | 3072                           | 83                   | 14   |   |
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| 15 | 12/25/2017 9:13      | heating       | -24                      | 30                       | 21                      | 50                                    | low                                     | 400                       | 73                                      | 78                    | 4576                           | 86                   | 21   |   |
| 16 | 12/25/2017 9:14      | heating       | -24                      | 30                       | 22                      | 53                                    | low                                     | 400                       | 70                                      | 78                    | 4416                           | 90                   | 20.5 |   |

| Data Collection Time | Running Mode | outdoor temperature (°C) | fan motor speed of indoor machine (rpm) |     | setting temperature (°C) | indoor temperature (°C) | consumption power (w) | COP  |
|----------------------|--------------|--------------------------|---|-----|--------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|------|
| 1/22/2018 0:00       | Heating      | -34                      | medium                                  | 500 | 26                       | 25                      | 1008                  | 1.89 |
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# What we need to show

- Cost of heating will be a function of electricity cost and capital cost of the pumps with installation (including lifetime, maintenance, etc)
- Electricity demand will be a function of outside temperature, inside temperature, and household characteristics such as insulation and ventilation
- The pumps will work at all temperatures, but will have a COP close to 1 at the lowest levels in UB, i.e. -40 deg C
- Question is the total electricity demand over the heating season given the distribution of usage with the distribution of outside temperature, i.e. COP
- And how fast the householders can learn how to use the devices optimally

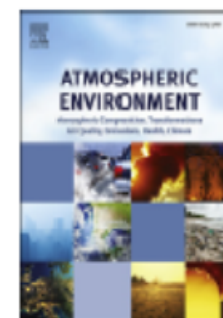


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### The impact of household cooking and heating with solid fuels on ambient PM<sub>2.5</sub> in peri-urban Beijing



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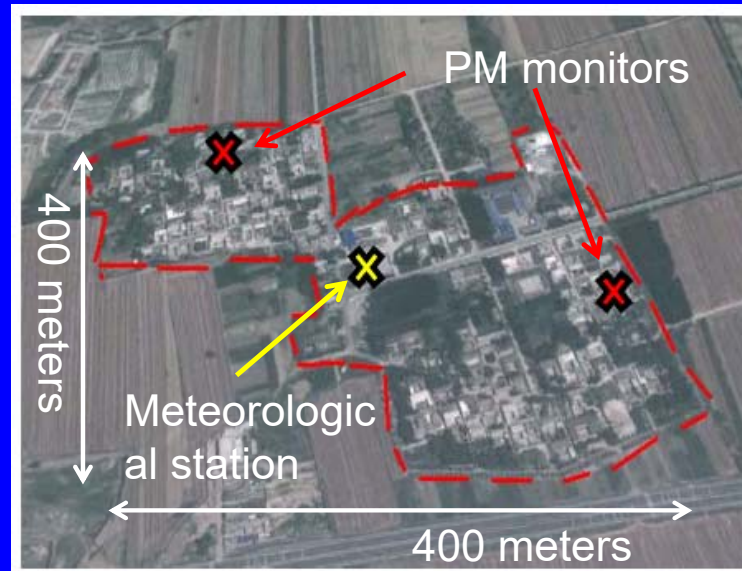
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## Ambient Air Pollution in a Peri-urban Village in Beijing



Sample site: Erhezhuang (EHZ) Village



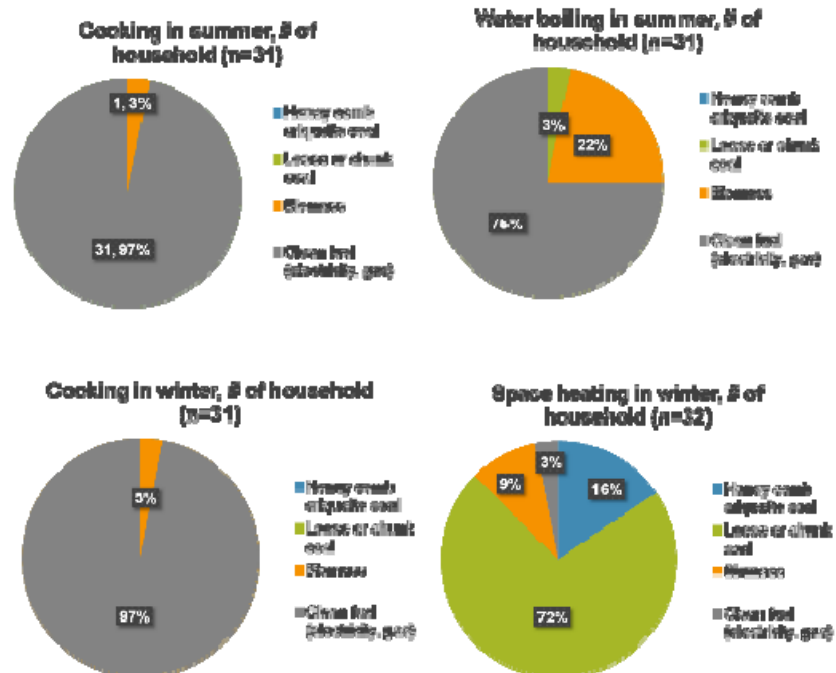
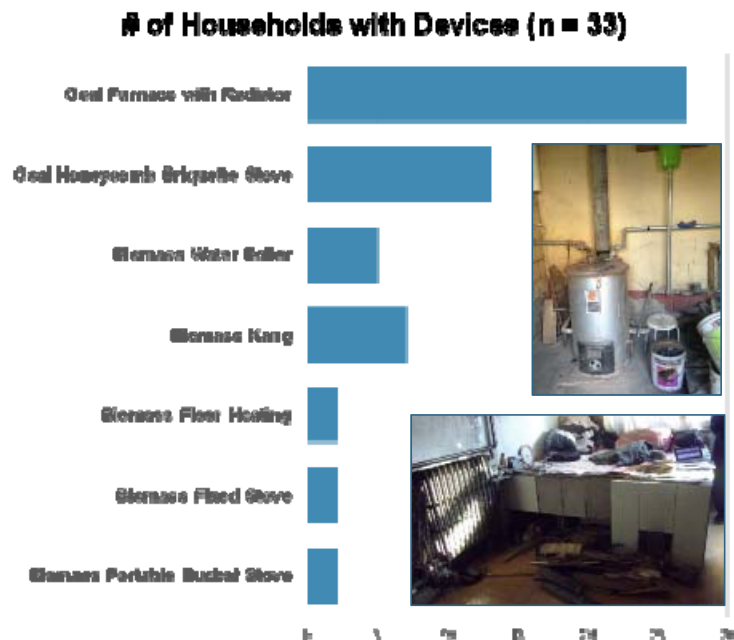
- We conducted surveys on fuel use and monitored solid fuel heating and cooking devices using SUMS in recruited households from January 9<sup>th</sup> to March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013.
- Ambient PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentrations were measured, and a meteorological station was installed at the village center from January 9<sup>th</sup> to March 10<sup>th</sup> 2013.



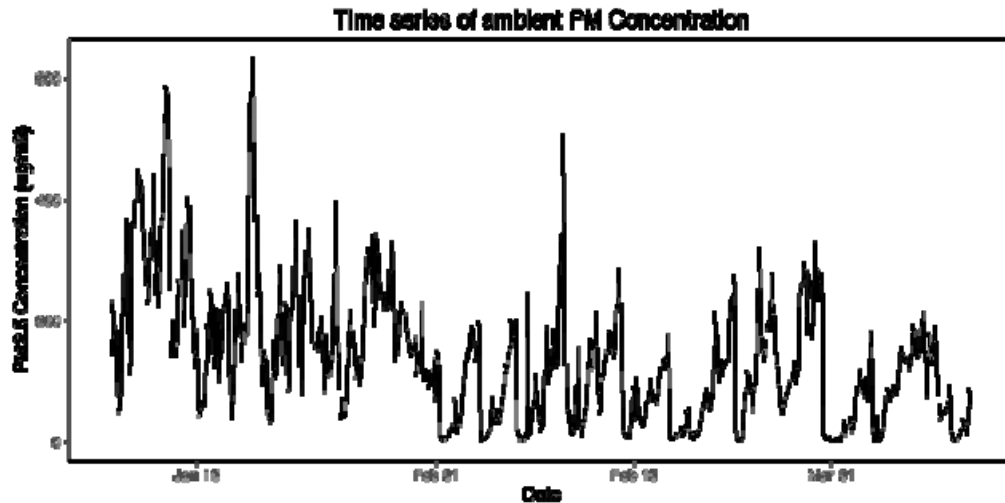
# Energy Use Patterns in EHZ village

- Most of household adopted clean fuel to cook, but still using large amount of solid fuel for space heating in winter.
- The average biomass for cooking, biomass for space heating and coal for space heating per household is 87 kg/year, 102 kg/year and 3,000kg/year, respectively.
- In winter heating season, 92% of the primary PM<sub>2.5</sub> emission from household solid fuel use are from coal combustion for space heating.

## Primary Fuel for household tasks in summer and winter

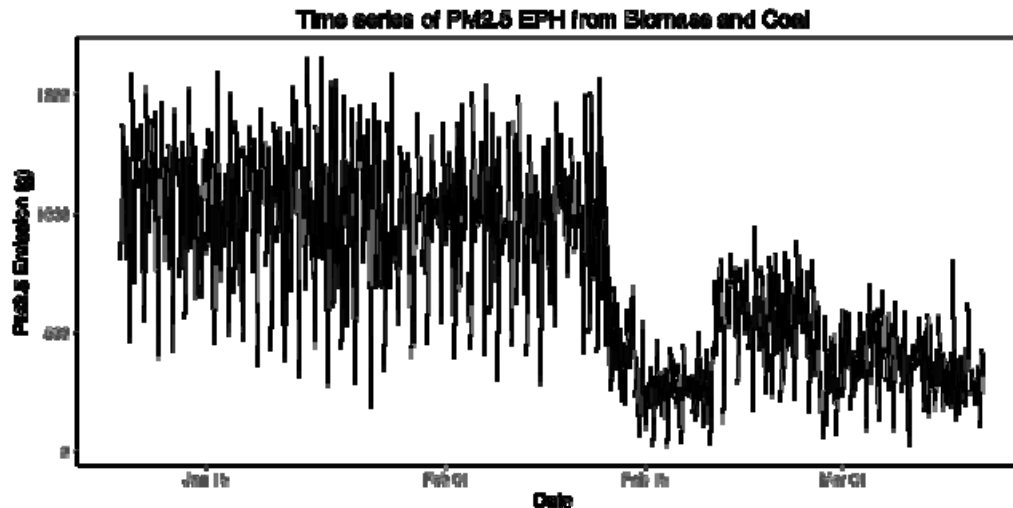


## Contribution of Space Heating to Ambient Air Pollution



### Time Series Modeling:

During Jan. 9<sup>th</sup> to Mar. 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013, the average ambient PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentration is  $139 \pm 107 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  (mean  $\pm$  standard deviation), and average primary PM<sub>2.5</sub> EPH from household biomass and coal is  $735.5 \pm 381 \text{ g}/\text{hour}$  at study site.



During the heating season, **39%** of hourly averaged ambient PM<sub>2.5</sub> was associated with household space heating emissions.

# EHZ Village Today

- With government incentives, essentially all households have shifted to heat pumps for heating (Tsinghua is monitoring)
- Very little biomass and coal now used for cooking or other needs
- We are monitoring the PM2.5 in the village again this winter
- Compare results to five years ago when all households used coal/biomass heating

# Seeking funds

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# HOW A HEAT PUMP WORKS

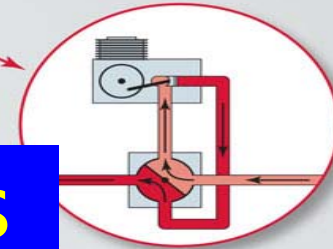
## Electrical Load:

Heat pumps use freely available heat energy by moving it to where it's needed. But moving it takes some energy. The components of the system that require power include the coils, fans, pumps, and controls.

**Compressor:**  
As the pressure of the gasified refrigerant increases, the temperature increases.

## Heat Pump Cooling Mode:

The reversing valve allows the whole system to run in reverse, extracting heat from the home's interior and releasing it to the outside.



Many good websites on how a heat pump works

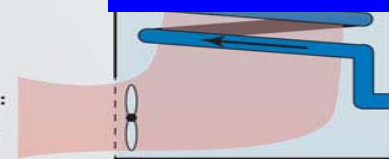
## Exterior Heat Exchanger:

Cold liquid refrigerant is warmed by outside air and evaporates as its temperature increases.

## "Interior" Heat Exchanger:

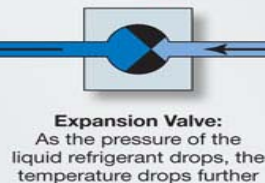
Hot gasified refrigerant releases heat to the inside air and condenses to a liquid as it cools.

**Air from Outside:**  
Warmer than liquid refrigerant



**Fan:**  
Draws outside air through heat exchanger

## Air-Air Source Heat Pump in Heating Mode



**Expansion Valve:**  
As the pressure of the liquid refrigerant drops, the temperature drops further

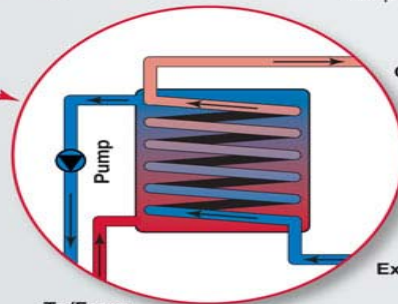
**Air from Inside:**  
Cooler than gas refrigerant



**Fan:**  
Draws interior air through heat exchanger

## Ground-Source Heat Pumps:

Use a heat-transfer fluid and a liquid-to-liquid heat exchanger to extract heat energy from the earth or a water source.



To/From Ground Loop

To Compressor

From Expansion Valve

## Split Systems:

The "interior" heat exchanger can be located outside, using ducting to move hot air to the inside space, or it can be located inside, in a separate "split" unit that uses refrigerant to move heat between the two heat exchangers.

## Heating Water with Heat Pumps:

Like the liquid-to-liquid heat exchanger on the exterior side of a ground-source heat pump system, an interior heat exchanger can heat water for domestic use and/or hydronic space heating.

Good videos also

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=14MmsNPtn6U>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g39nM7GbSJA>