

Heat Pumps: The Past, Present and Future of this Transformative Technology

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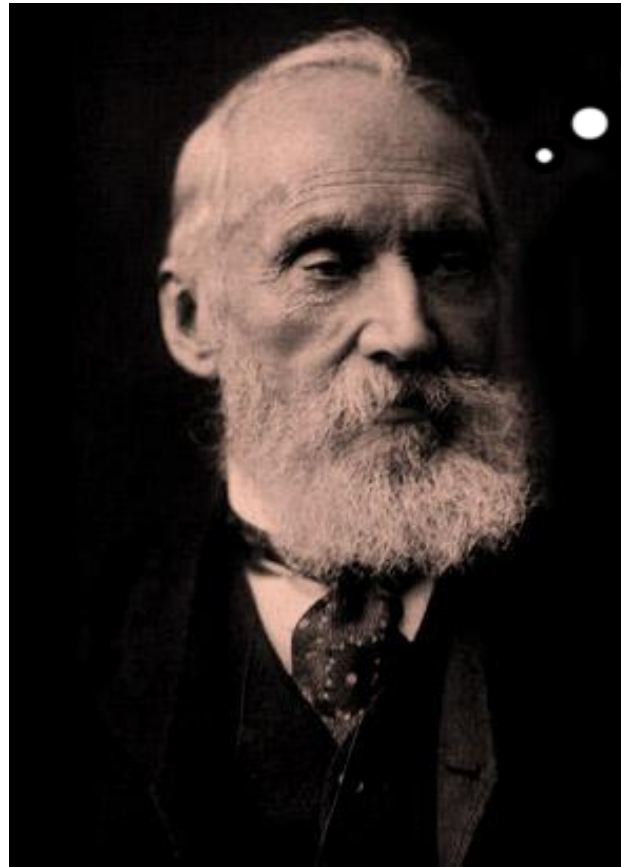
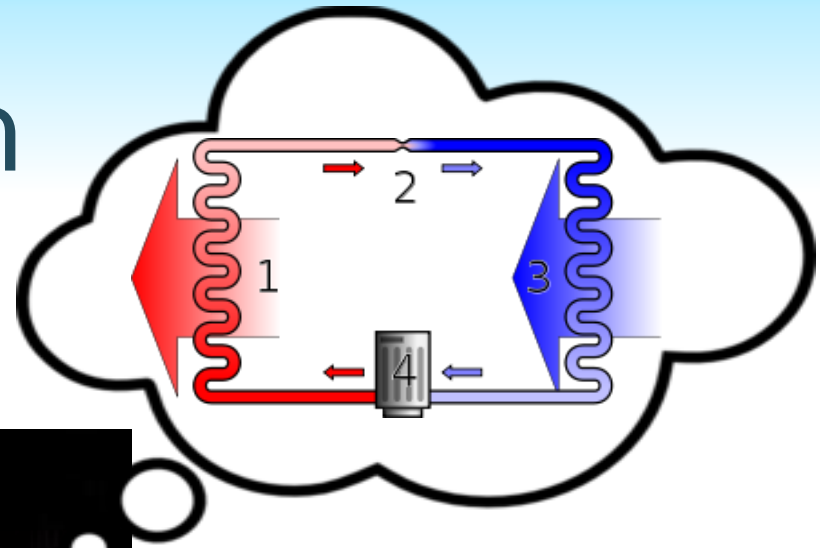
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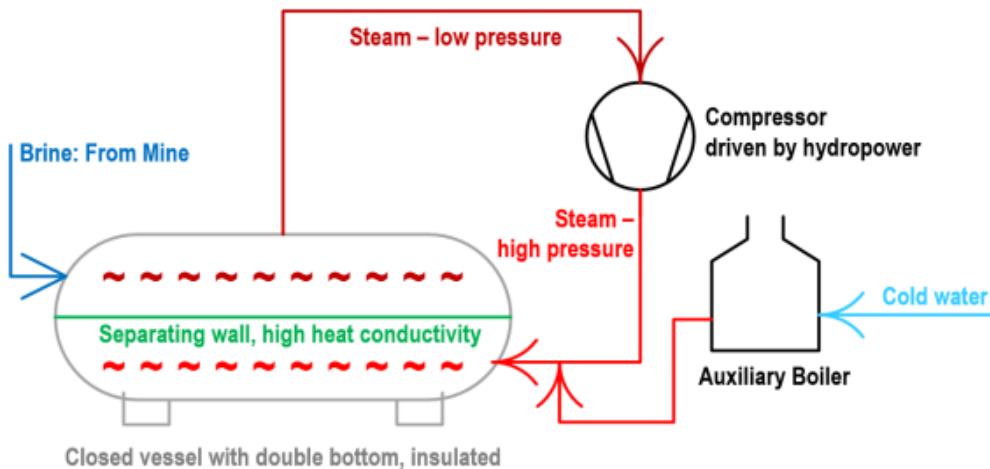




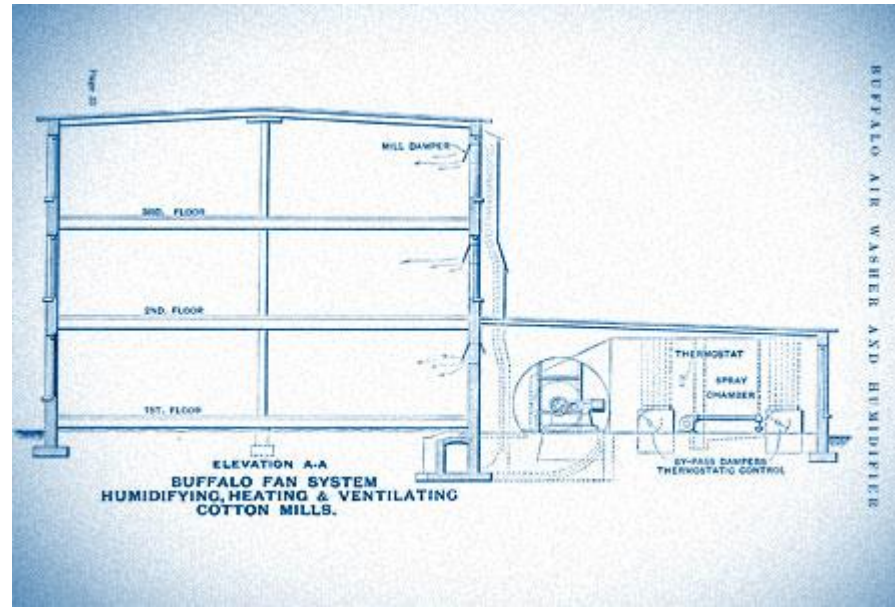
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1856 – Peter von Rittinger

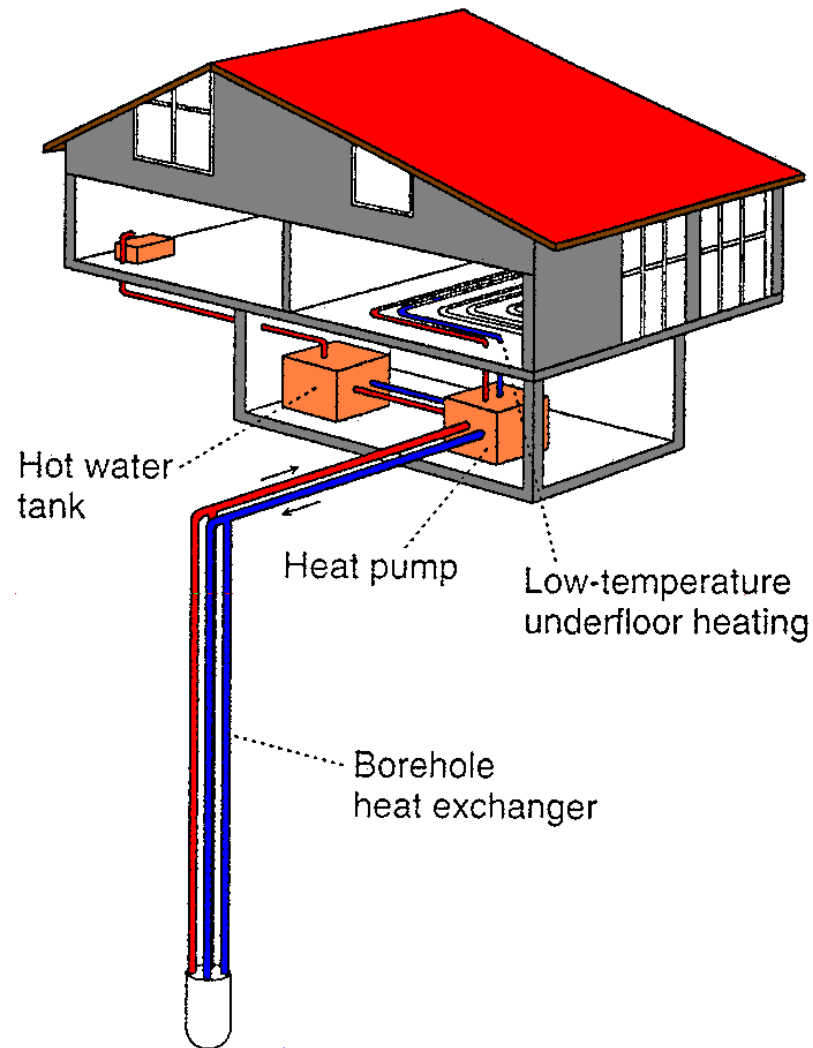


1902 Willis Carrier



- Inventor of modern air conditioning
- 1906 first installation of “Apparatus for Treating Air” at Cotton Mill in NC

1940s – Ground Source HP



1950-72 – Slow Time for HP

- Dropping oil prices
- Heat Pumps stagnate
- Mostly just cooling in warmer climates

1973 – Oil Embargo

- ... and a repeat in 1979
- First massive intro of heat pumps
- From 800,000 globally to **4,000,000!**



70s and 80s – Asia and Ductless



- Ductless, good for masonry
- Small living units
- Historically kerosene heaters and window AC
- Ductless HP a great solution!

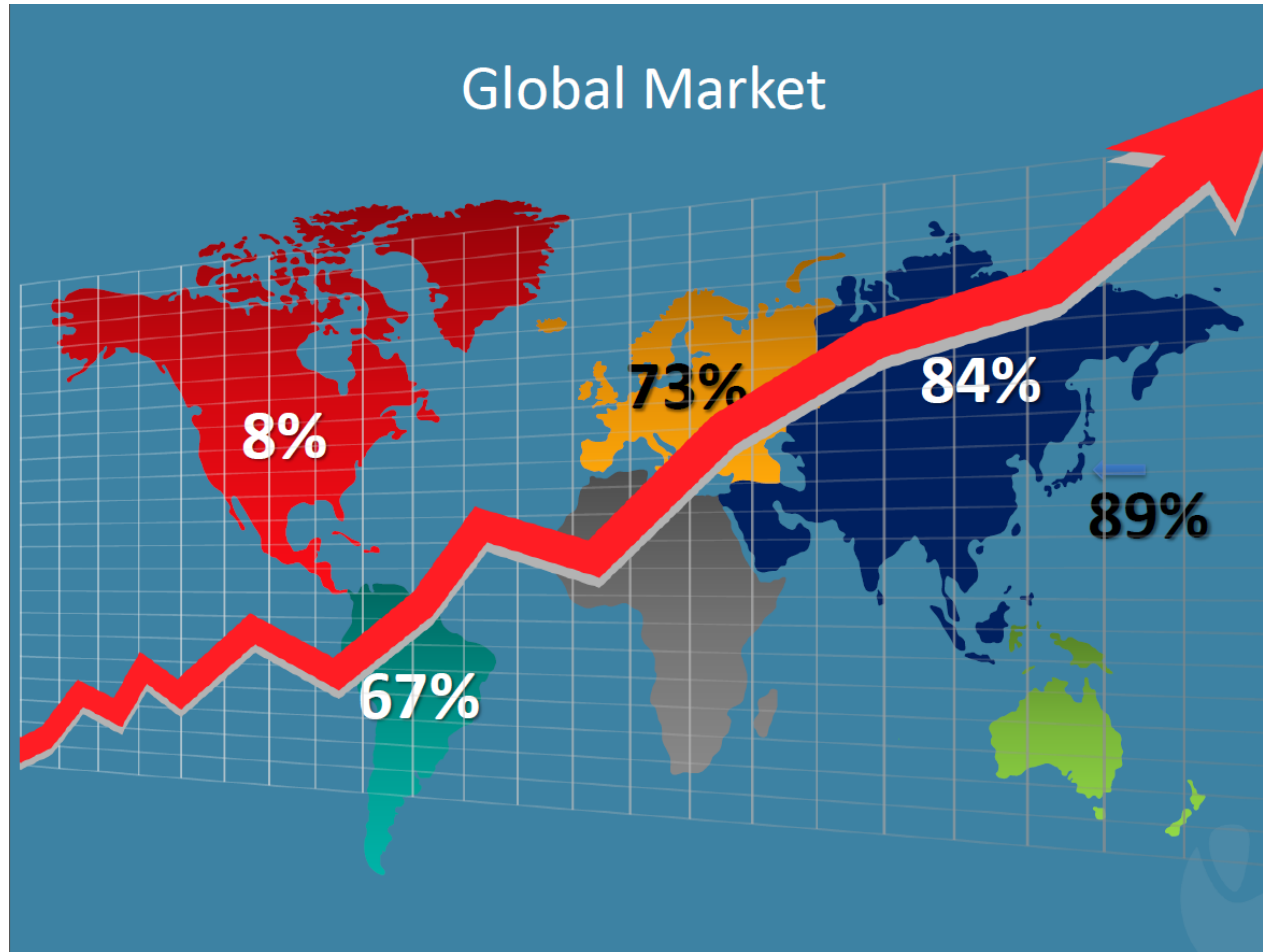
Modern Innovations

- Refrigerants
- Microprocessors (80s)
- Electronic expansion valve (late 80s)
- Compressor technology (reciprocating to scroll to inverter)
- ECM fan motors
- Heat Exchangers (more efficient heat transfer with minimal surface area)
- Smaller, more efficient, quieter and more features



Market and Industry

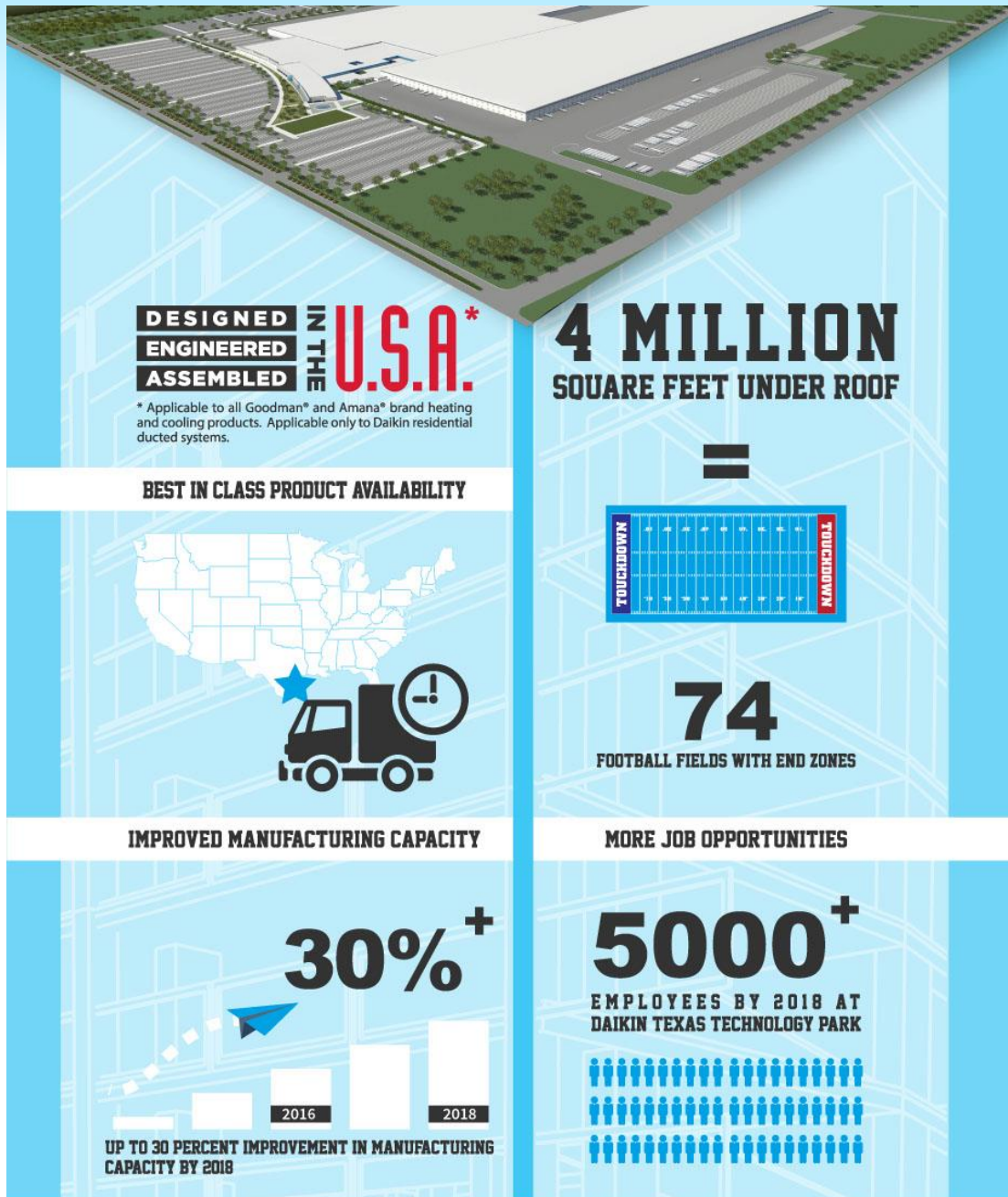
Global Ductless Adoption



Source: Nortz (Mitsubishi Electric) and Psihoules (Fujitsu), NJCEP Presentation

Investment – Case Study





- \$7B in US investments
- 2 other Parts Manufacturers have moved to US soil

Market Growth

- 2015 - 2016
US Growth
 - **20%**
- **Ductless**
- EVT Program
 - 1824 (2015)
 - 2243 (2016)
 - **23%**



Performance and Diversity

How Low Can They Go?

- At least -13°F
- Below -13°F ?
- COP 2.0 @ 5°F
- 100% of nominal capacity @ 5°F

Pretty Low!



Performance

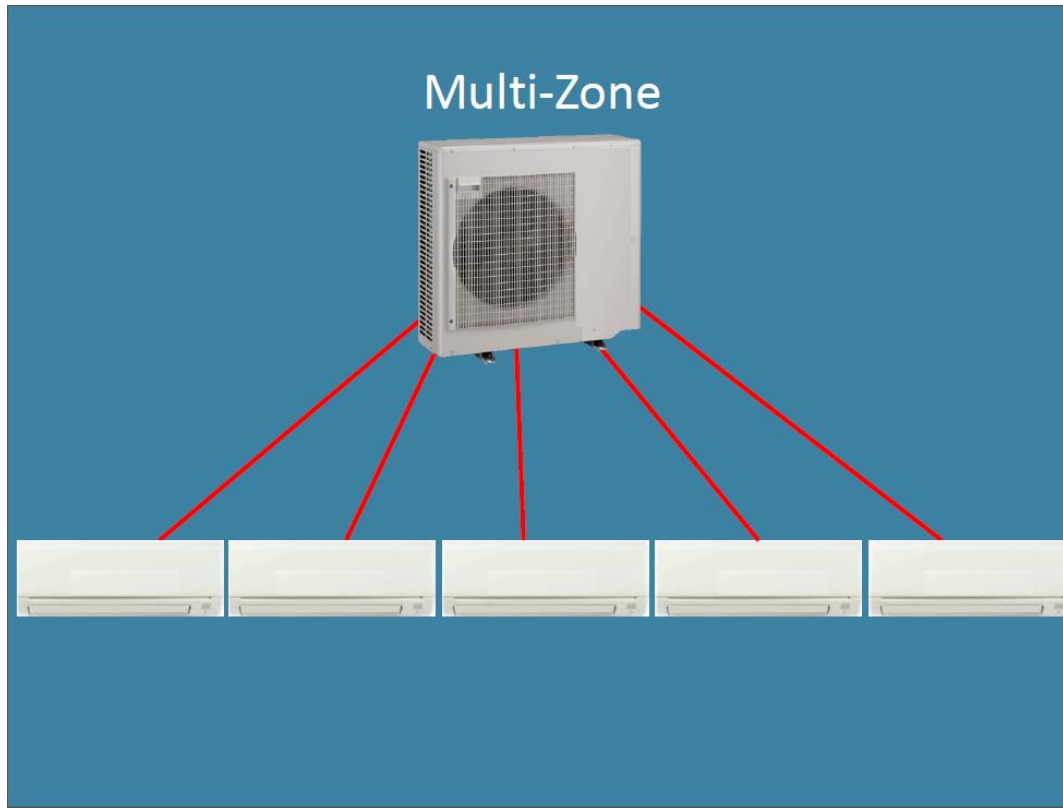
- HSPF 12-15
- SEER 20-30, as high as 38!
- But...are HSPF and SEER good indications of performance?
- New Testing Standards
 - CSA
 - Dynamic vs. Static Testing

Ductless – Single Zone

- EVT Supports 6 Manufacturers
- NEEP – 15 Manufacturers
- From 6,000-24,000 btu/h



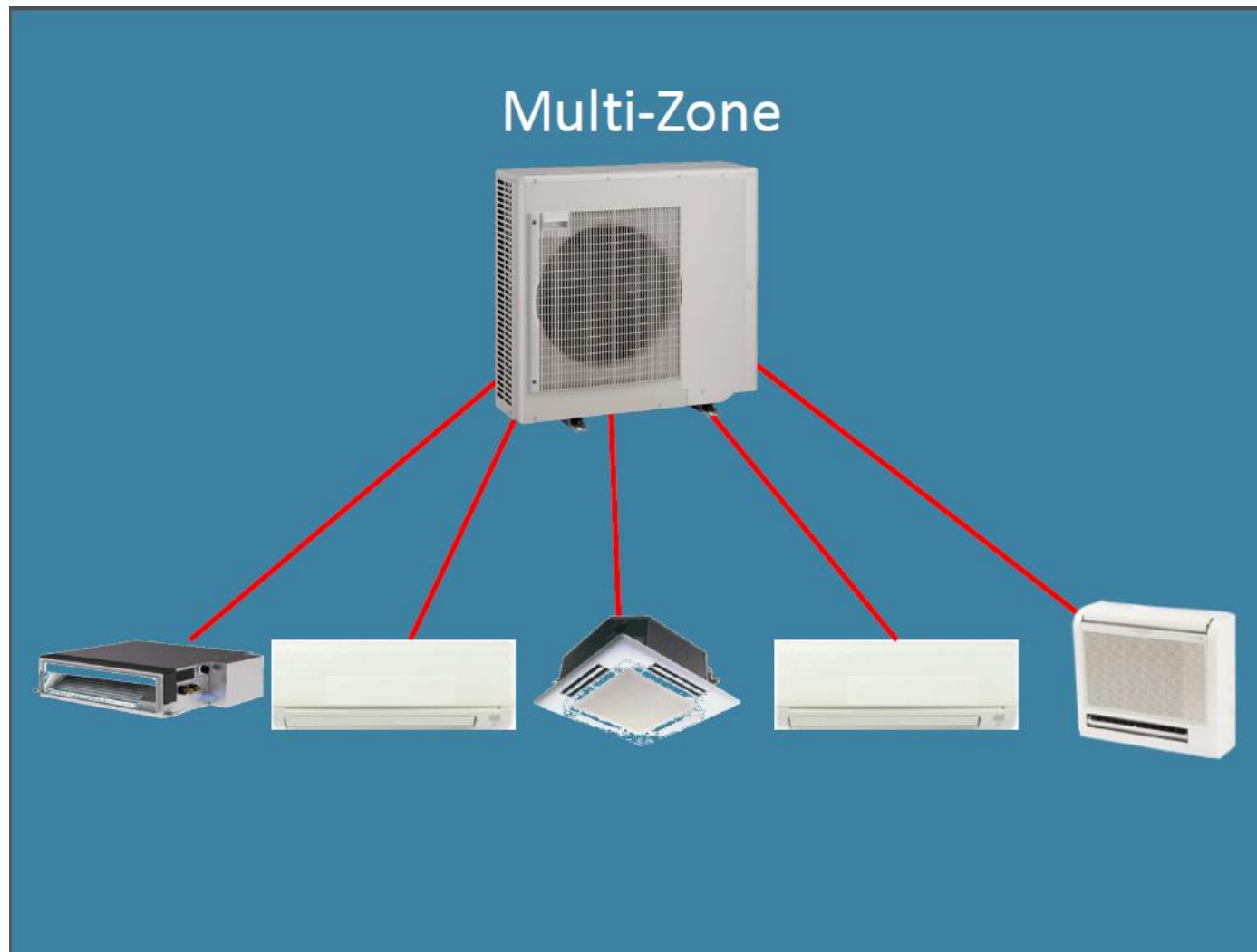
Ductless – Multi-Zone



- EVT – 3 Manufacturers
- NEEP – 6 Manufacturers
- 18,000 – 48,000 btu/h

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Ductless – More Choices!



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Ducted



Ducted

- Standard Heat Pump
- Not a lot of cold climate options
- Performance not at level of ductless
- Fully Distributed heating/cooling
- Excellent Integration with Backup System

Ducted Ductless?

- Good for multiple small rooms
- Efficiency loss due to added fan energy



Air to Water - Altherma

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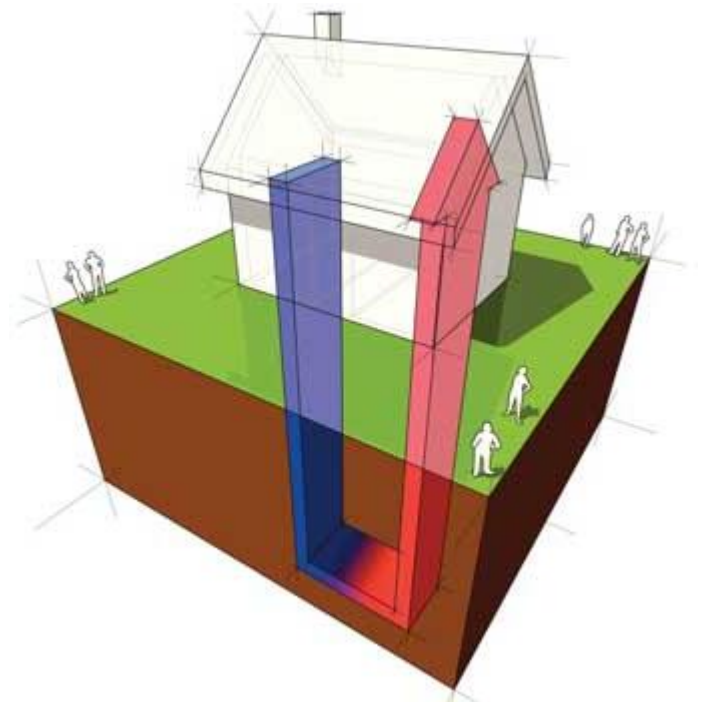


Air to Water



Ground Source

- Seasonal COPs up to 5
- Whole home heating/cooling
- No backup necessary
- Market growth, but still prohibitively expensive for most



Commercial Heat Pumps

- VRF
 - Largest opportunity for growth in VT
- Hybrid Rooftop Units
 - Least involved option (direct swap-out)



Other Applications

- Domestic Water Heating
- Clothes Dryers
- Industrial Heat Recovery
 - Drying, Washing, Pasteurizing, etc.

Its All About Style...



Current Trends

- Growth
- Investment in US market
- Development of products for US market
- Diversity of product offering
- Viable for most climates and market sectors



System Impact & Integration

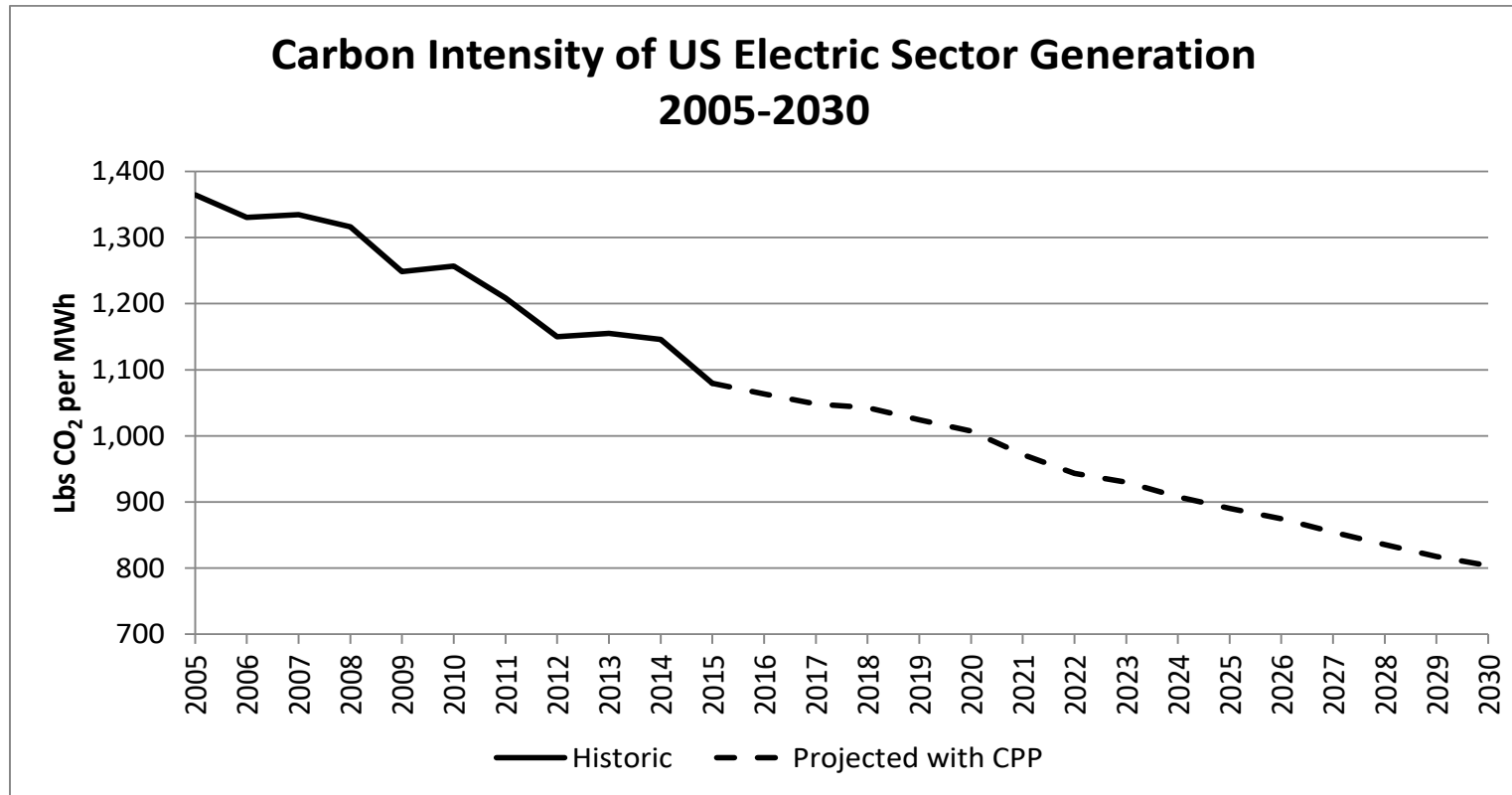
Modeled Electric Consumption

Exhibit 9-4. Composite Total Energy Study Modeled Electric Energy Use (TWh)



Source: VT Comprehensive Energy Plan
2016

Improving “Emiciency”

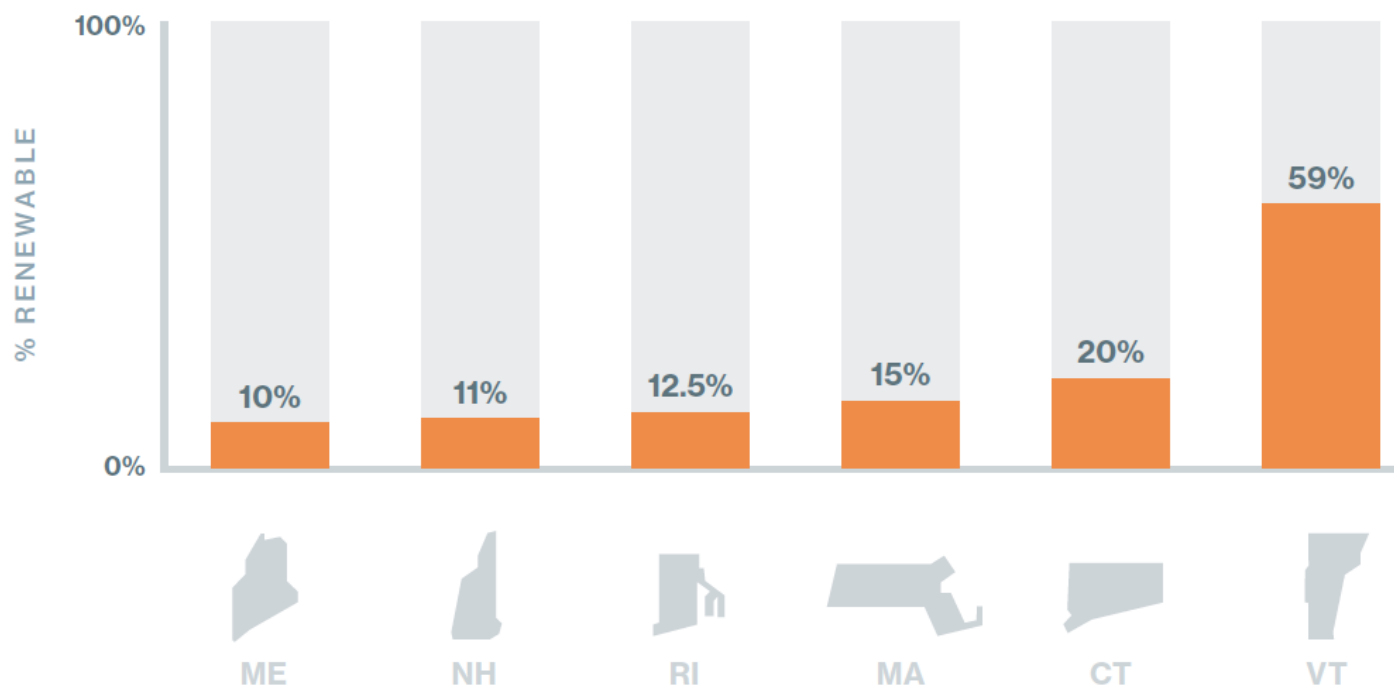


Source: NRECA, RAP, “More Is Less: Environmentally Beneficial Electrification”

- Energy efficiency of installed equipment is static over time
- Emissions Efficiency (“emiciency”) improves over time

Renewable Penetration

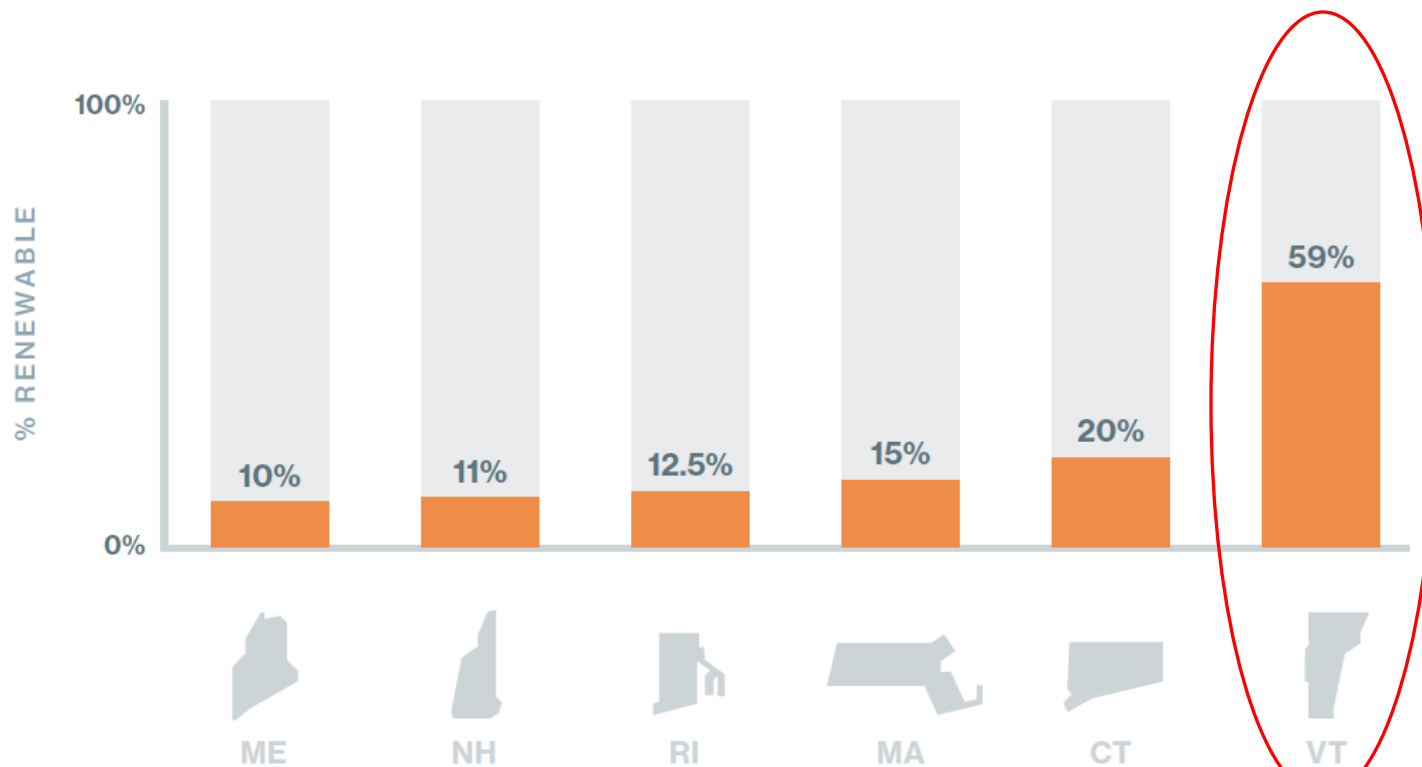
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Source: ISO-NE 2016 Regional Electricity
Outlook

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75%

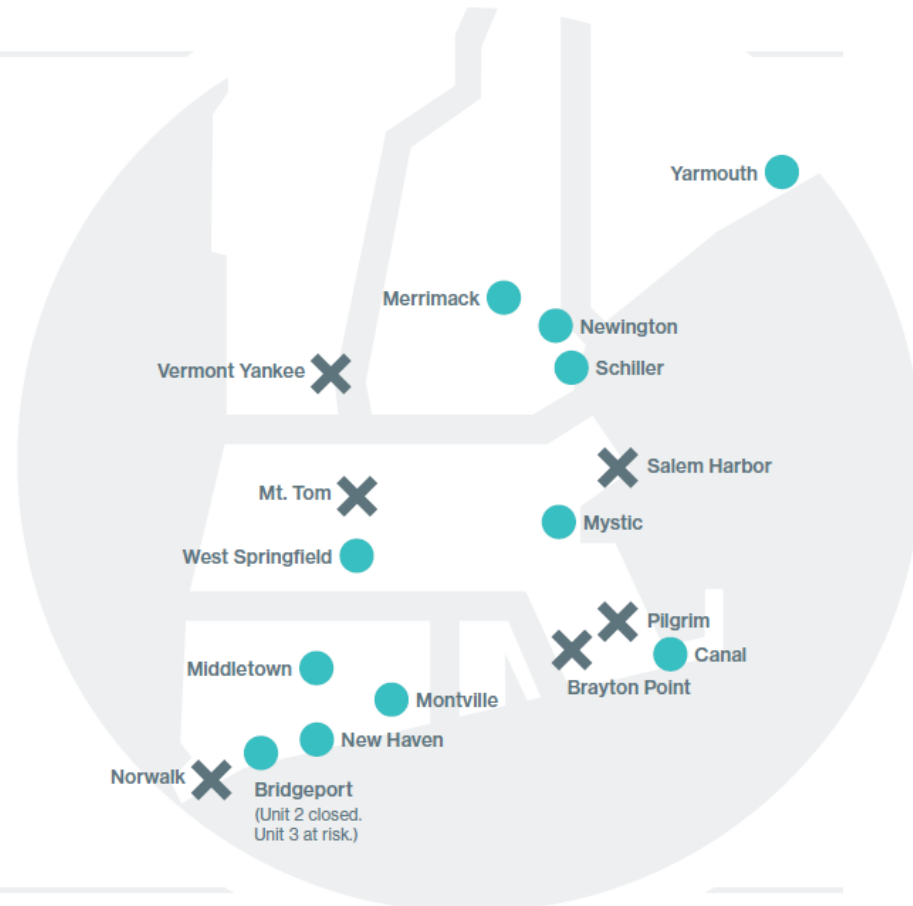
by 2032

An Endangered Species

On the way out

More than 4,200 MW of the region's nongas generating capacity has retired or plans to retire soon. This includes several oil- and coal-fired units, as well as two nuclear plants that were part of the region's baseload generation. "At risk" for closing are another 6,000 MW from additional coal- and oil-fired generators, which are displaced from the electric energy market on most days by gas-fired units. But they are still critical for meeting the region's demand in winter, particularly when natural gas supplies are limited. In total, about 30% of the region's generating capacity could be gone by 2020. These retiring resources are likely to be replaced by more natural-gas-fired resources.

- ✕ Closed or Retiring
- Generation at Risk



Source: ISO-NE 2016 Regional Electricity Outlook

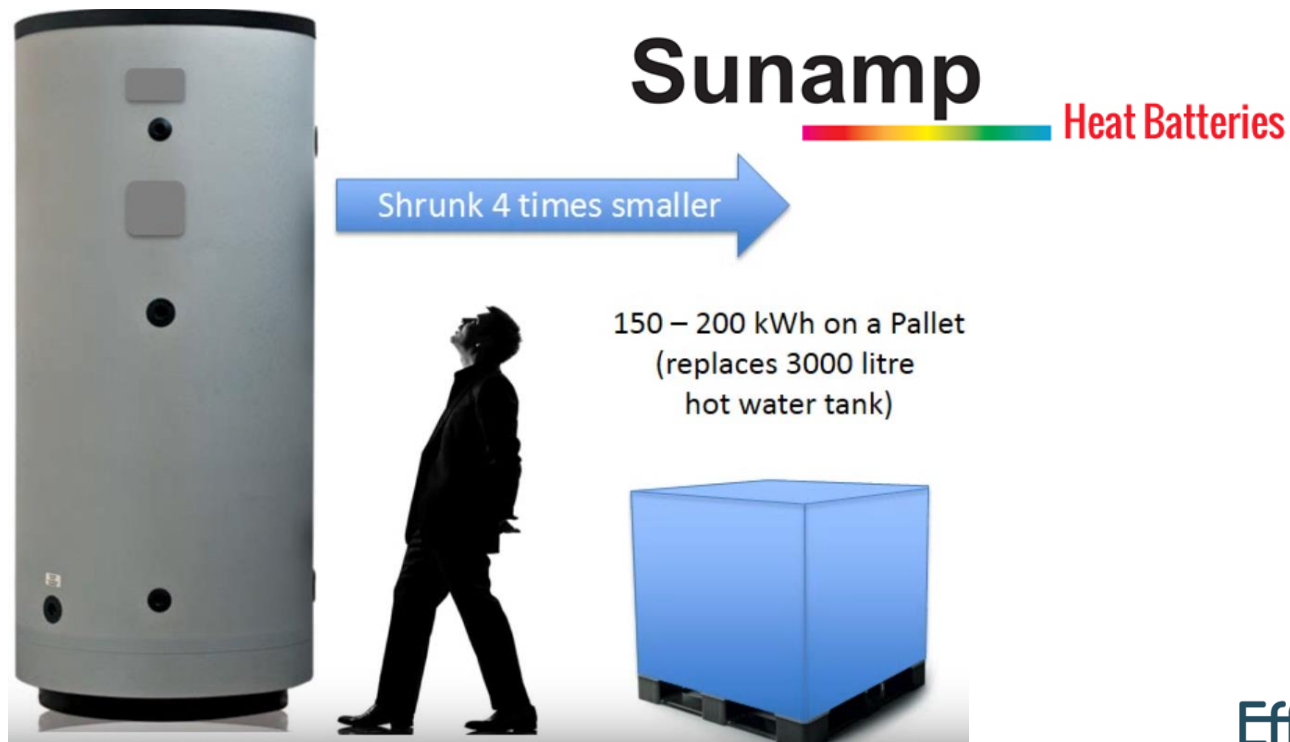
Enhanced Utilization of Renewables



- PV, Fuel Cells, and Battery Storage all operate using DC power
- Utilizing DC reduces losses due to:
 - Transmission/Distribution
 - Inversion

Thermal Storage

- Simple Water Storage, or
- Phase Change Materials (PCMs)



Smart and Well Connected

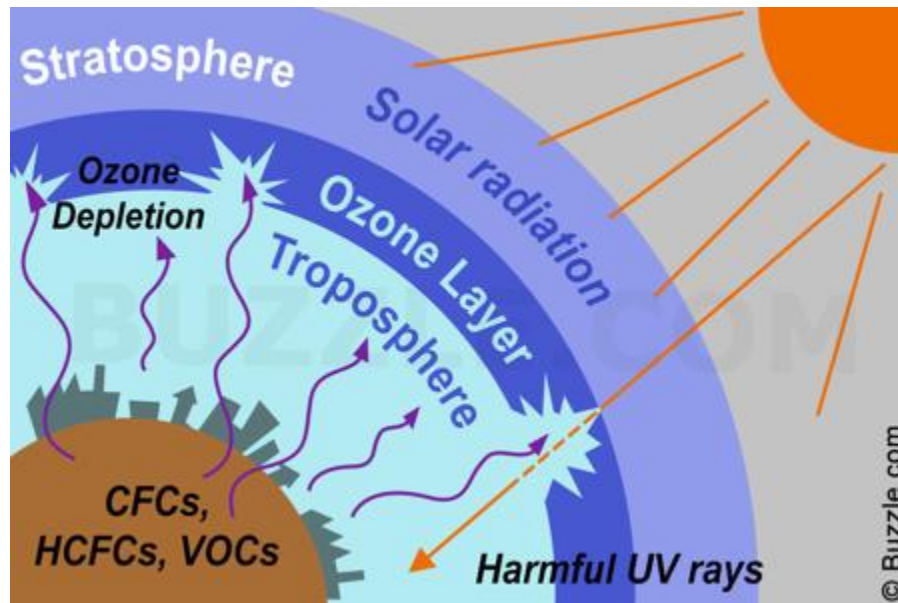
- Demand Response
- Remote Firmware Updates
- Site-specific operation
- Occupancy and other sensors
- Integrated Controls

Natural Refrigerants



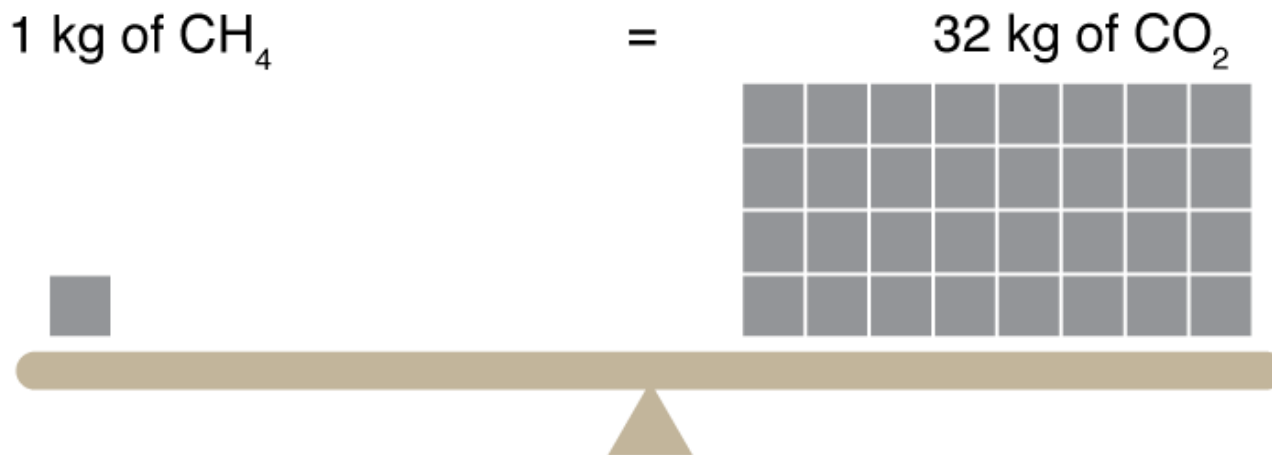
ODP

- **O**zone **D**epletion **P**otential
- Relative amount of ozone degradation compared to baseline R-11 (1.0)



GWP

- **G**lobal **W**arming **P**otential
- Relative amount of heat trapped in the atmosphere by a gas (refrigerant) compared to a CO₂ baseline (1.0)



GWP and ODP

Figure 2: ODP and GWP for Various Refrigerants

REFRIGERANT	TYPE	ODP	GWP (100yr)
R-12	CFC	0.820	10,600
R-22	HCFC	0.034	1,700
R-404A	HFC	0	3,800
R-410A	HFC	0	2,000
R-290 (Propane)	Natural	0	~20
R-717 (Ammonia)	Natural	0	<1
R-744 (CO ₂)	Natural	0	1
HFO-1234yf	HFO	0	4

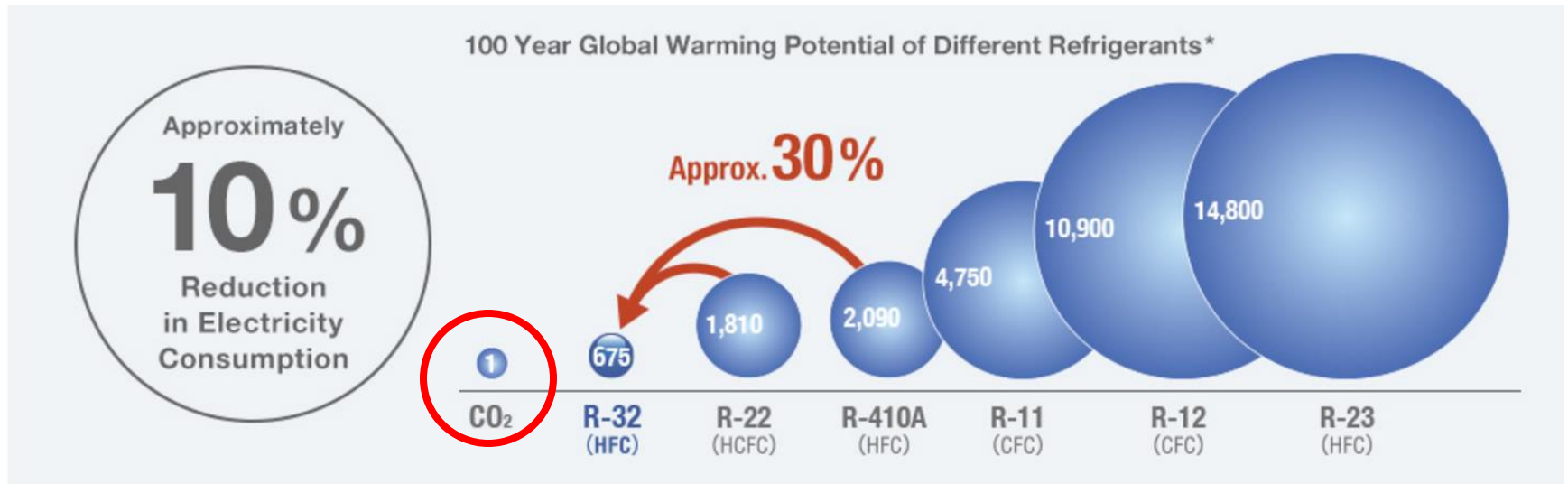
Source: Calm & Hourahan, 2001

Refrigerants

26%

Source: DOE, EERE, July 2016 *The Future of Air Conditioning for Buildings*

R-32



*Source: Values for 100 year global warming potential (GWP) from IPCC Fourth Assessment Report. Comparative 100 year GWP: HFC410A, 2,090; HFC32, 675.

On a Mission

- Advancing Natural Refrigerants in order to shape a more sustainable future for refrigeration [and heat pumps!]

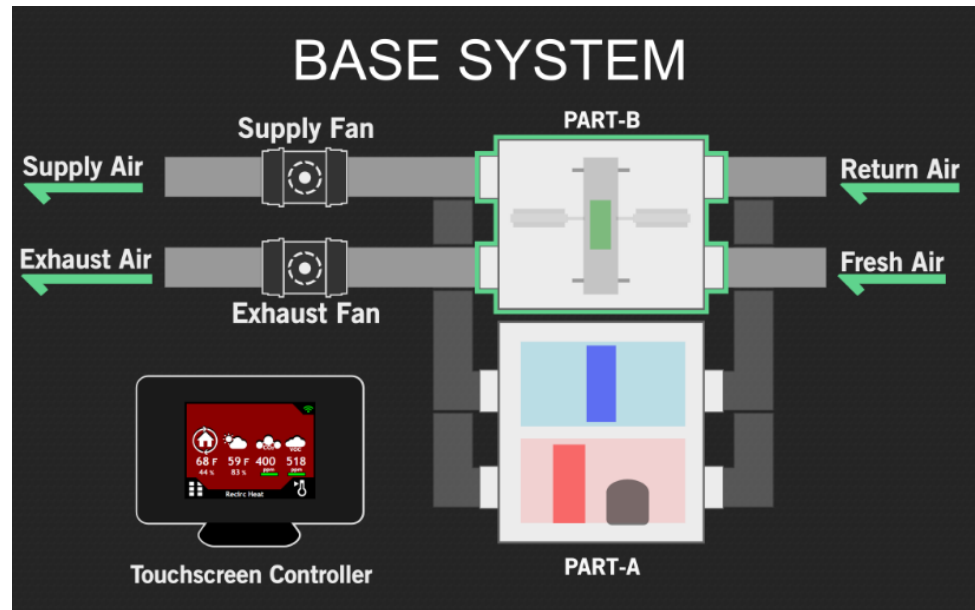


New Ways to Skin the Cat

The Pretty Sure Stuff

- Performance improving
- Smaller
- More features
- More options (manufacturer, delivery, etc.)
- More whole home

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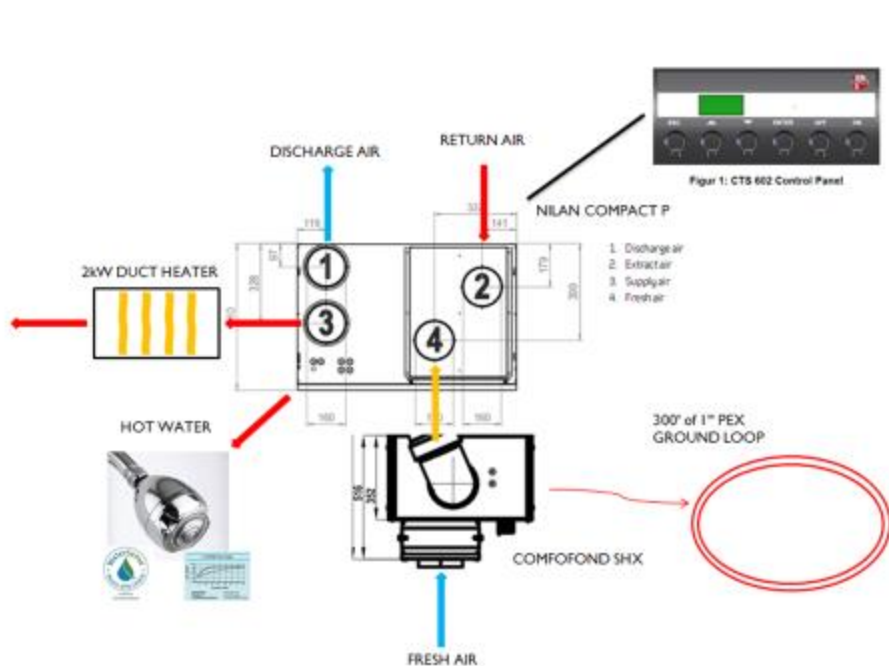


- Heat pump integrated ERV
- Integrated “smart” controls

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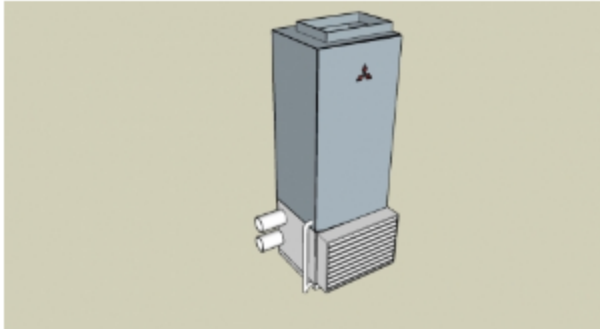
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- Heat Recovery Ventilation
- DHW
- Heat Pump



All-in-One VICS

TEAM LEAD: STEVEN WINTER ASSOCIATES INC.—WASHINGTON, DC



Steven Winter Associates Inc. will develop a fully integrated, smart space conditioning and ventilation solution, referred to as VICS (a Ventilation Integrated Comfort System), for low-load dwellings (zero energy ready homes, multifamily apartments, etc.). This innovation is intended to address HVAC performance issues found in most low-load dwellings when space conditioning and whole-building ventilation are provided by separate mechanical systems. This lack of system integration can result in high equipment and installation costs, redundant components, and poorly or non-integrated controls. The VICS is intended to provide:

- A single device integrating an HRV or ERV with a low-capacity, split heat pump fan coil to provide efficient heating, cooling, dehumidification, and whole-house ventilation
 - Filtration, heat recovery, conditioning, and distribution of outdoor air
 - Installed cost savings of \$1,000–\$2,000 compared to separate, ducted ventilation and heating/cooling systems
 - Separate control of supply and exhaust flows allowing for active makeup air for local exhaust fans
 - Better humidity control by passing outdoor air through ERV and over a cooling coil.
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- Full ventilation and space conditioning
 - Designed for low load homes

Complete Replacement

- No need for backup heating system
- Possible today in low load buildings
- Within 10 years (maybe 5!)

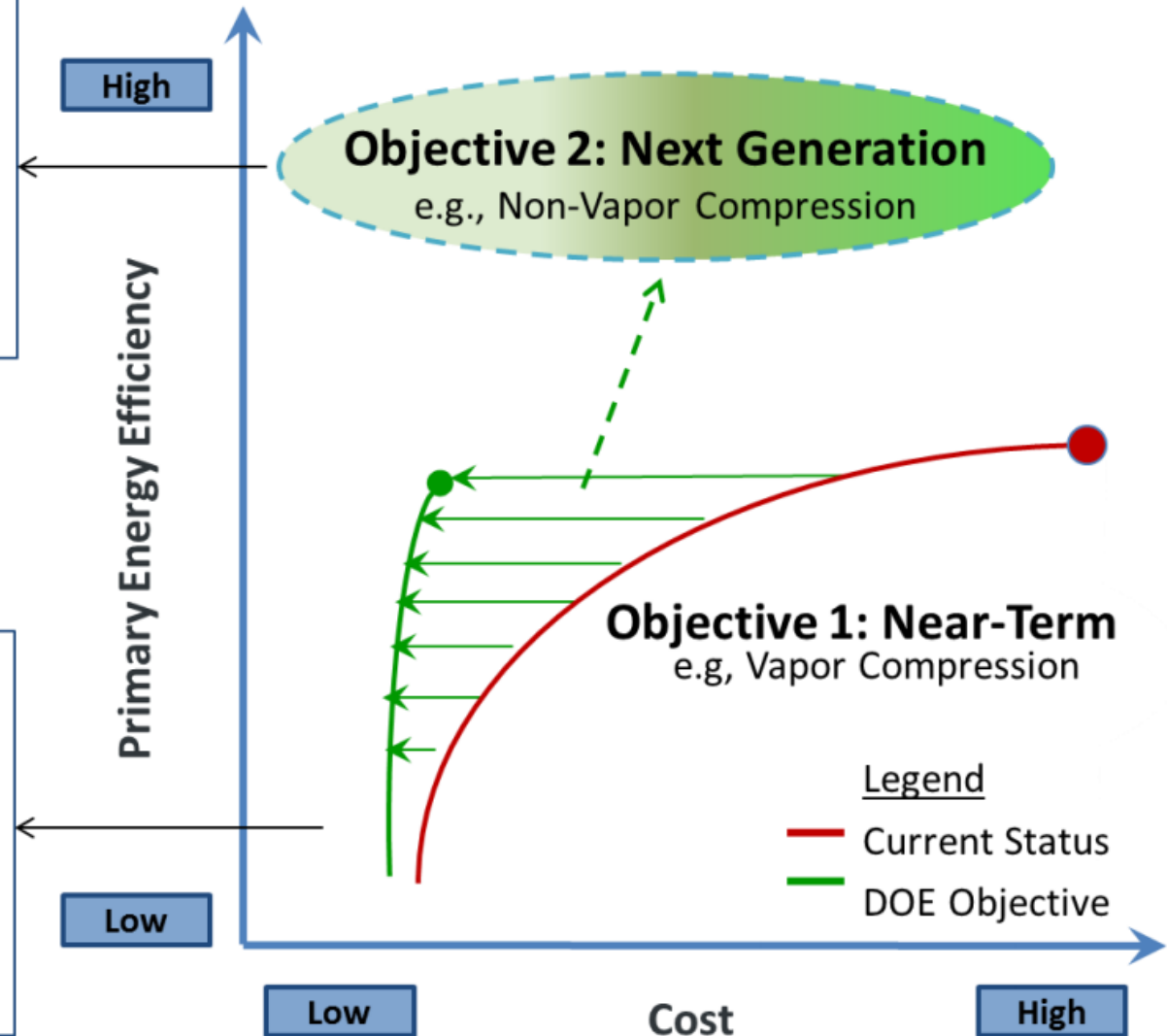


Objective 2: Next Gen

- Longer-term
- Potential to “leapfrog” existing technologies
- Entirely new approaches

Objective 1: Near-Term

- Improve efficiency of current technologies
- May include cost reduction activities

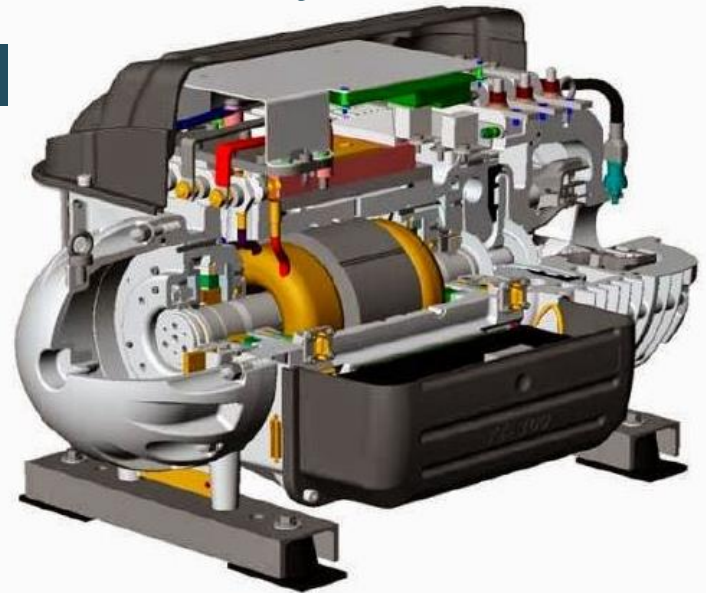


Source: Refined from BTO Presentation: energy.gov/sites/prod/files/2014/05/f15/HVAC_Overview_Bouza_042314_and_042414.pdf

Compressors

The Heart and Soul of Heat Pumps

- Reciprocating, rotary vane, and screw
- Scroll currently used in efficient systems
- What's next? **Centrifugal**
- Used in Chillers
- Natural Refrigerant friendly
- Oil Free

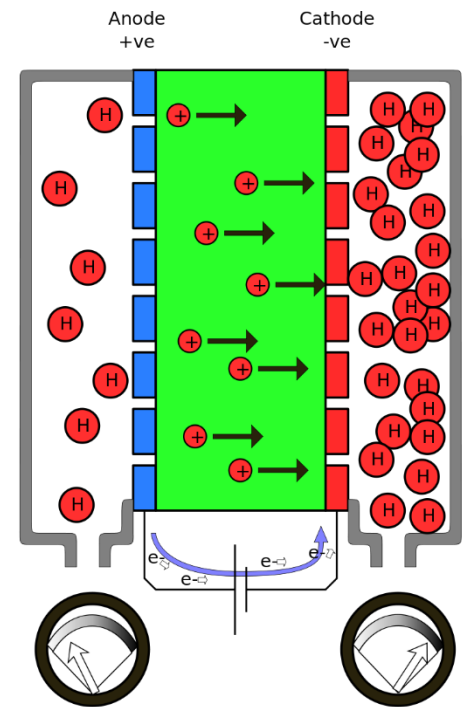


Centrifugal Compressor

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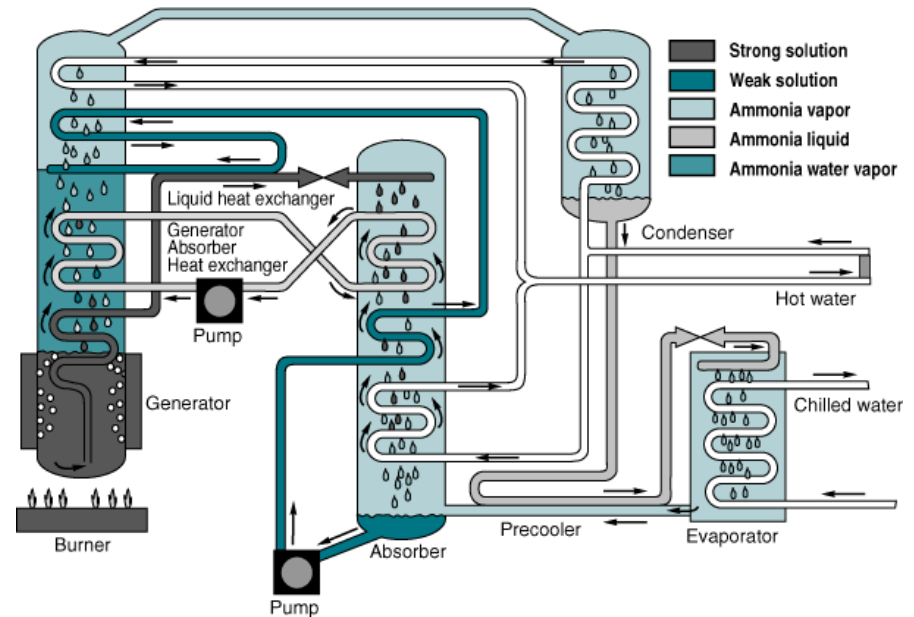
- Non-mechanical compression?
- Electro-chemical compressors
 - “Noiseless”
 - Low GWP refrigerants
 - Hydrogen combines with H₂O and ammonia
 - Pressures up to 10,000 psi



Non Vapor Compression

Absorption

- Cyclical absorption/desorption of refrigerant in secondary fluid
- Runs on Electricity or combustible fuels
- No compressor!
- Natural refrigerant
- New? - smaller and less expensive

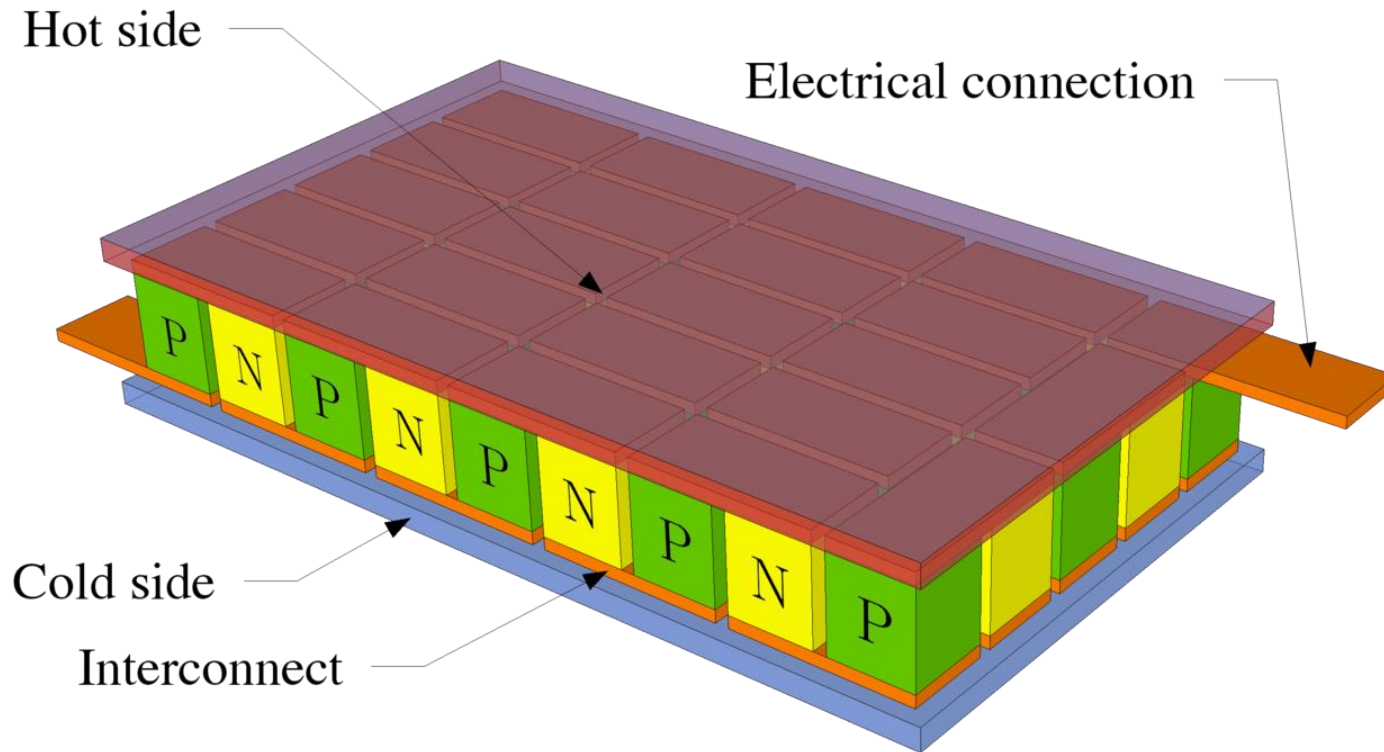


Non Vapor Compression

The really far-out stuff

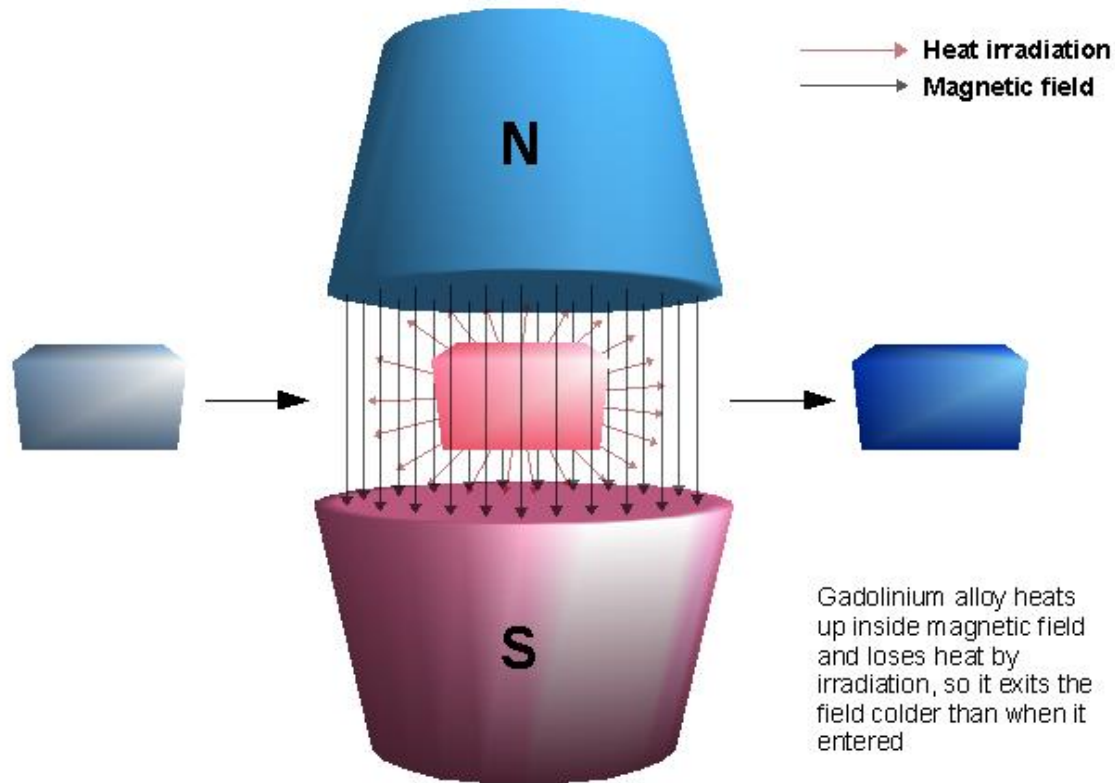
- Thermo-electric
- Magneto-caloric
- Electro-caloric
- Elastic-caloric
- Thermo-acoustics

Thermo-electric



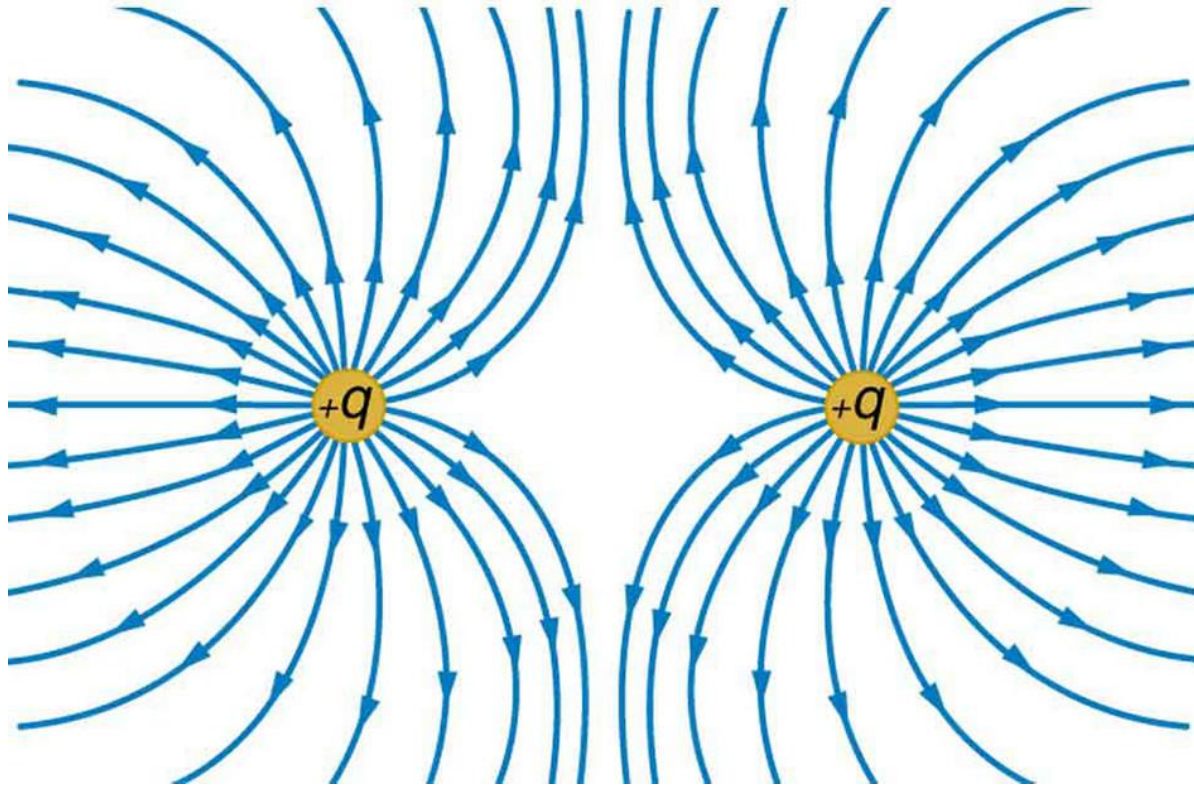
- Current induces temperature differential across 2 different materials (“peltier effect”)
- Solid State Heat Pump

Magneto-caloric



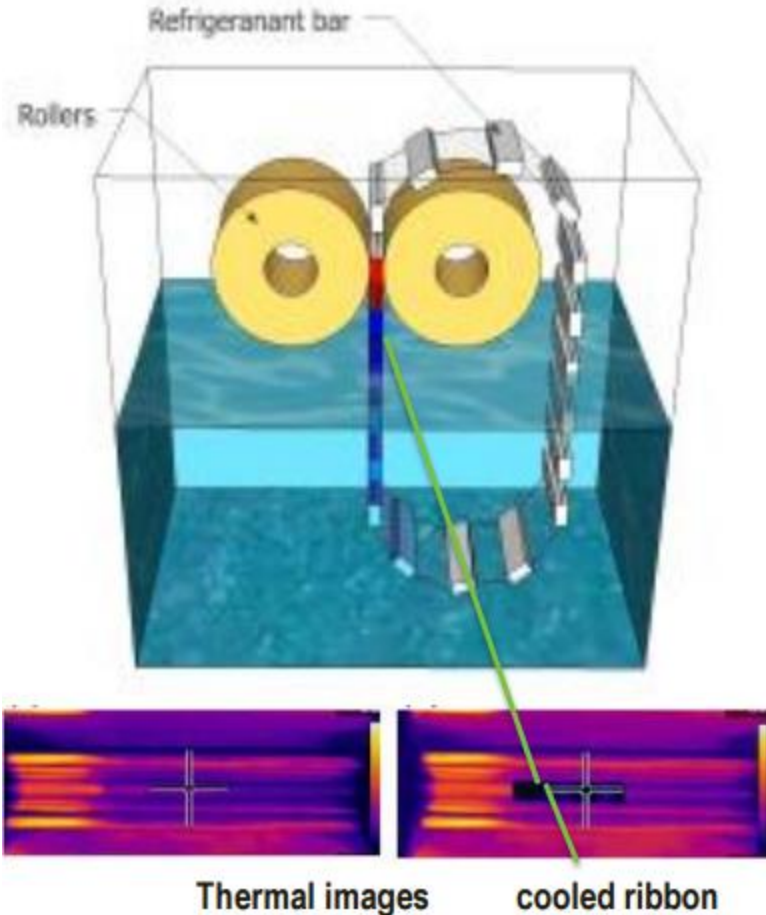
- Some materials gain and lose heat when exposed to a magnetic field

Electro-caloric

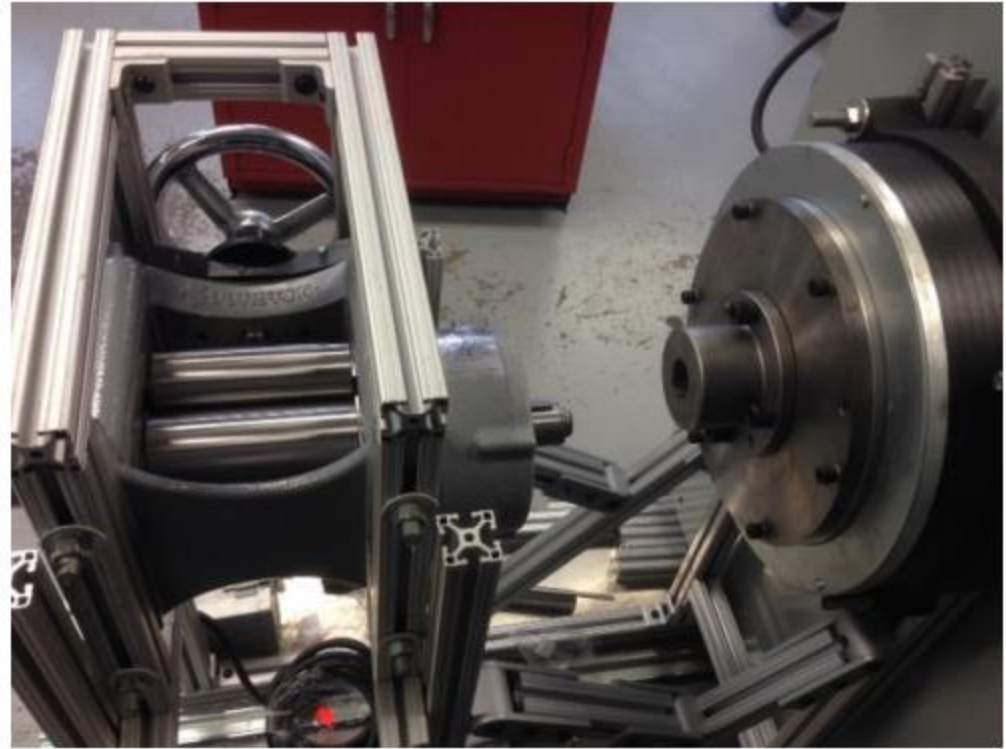


- Materials show a temperature change when exposed to an electric field

Thermo-elastic

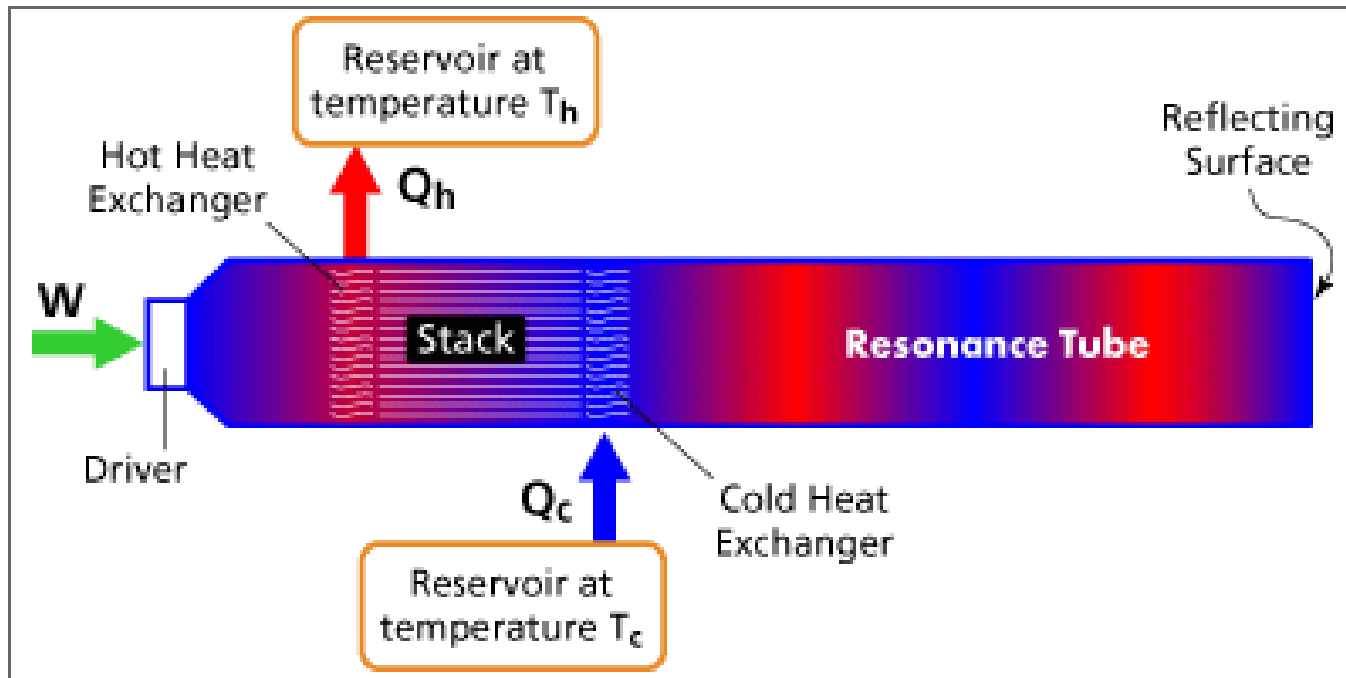


Latest prototype being constructed



- Materials that give off heat when physically stressed
- Potential for COP ~11!

Thermo-acoustics



- Acoustic oscillations induce compression and expansion of a working gas (refrigerant)

Conclusions

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Conclusions

Its All About the Money

- Economics have driven innovations and adoption
 - Rittinger and Salt Brine
 - Oil Embargo
 - Disappearance of Altherma
 - Next Gen Tech

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Propane, gallon	91,600	80%	\$2.54	\$34.64	95%	\$29.17
Natural Gas, Ccf	100,000	80%	\$1.41	\$17.67 *	95%	\$14.88
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- Why?
 - Carbon footprint, being “green”
 - Comfort/Convenience - AC/Heat out of same install
 - Make use of solar (63% in EVT evaluation)
 - Getting away from bulk delivery
 - “Cool Gadget” high-tech thing



Thank You!

