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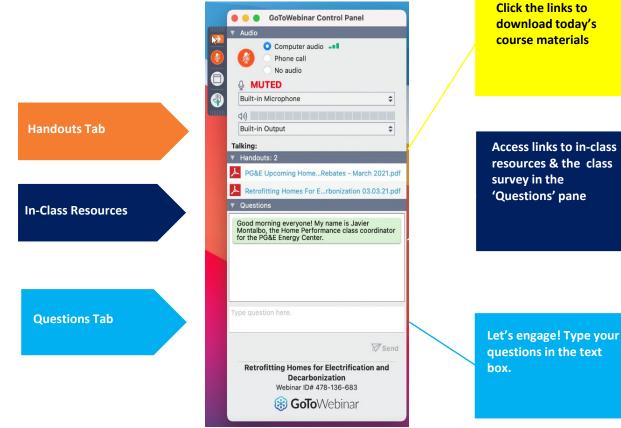
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# Today's Agenda

- 1. Introduction
- 2. Ventilation System Approaches
- 3. Energy Recovery Strategies
- 4. Design and Operating Considerations
- 5. Exercises (Time permitting; priority set by attendee vote)
  - a. Assessing the Flow Path and Savings Opportunity for a Make Up Air System
  - b. Exploring a Heat Recovery Unit and Building a Monitoring Plan
  - c. Using Field Data to Assess Heat Recovery Ventilator Effectiveness
  - d. Estimating the Maximum Possible Savings that Can Be Achieved from a DOAS System and its Cost/Benefit

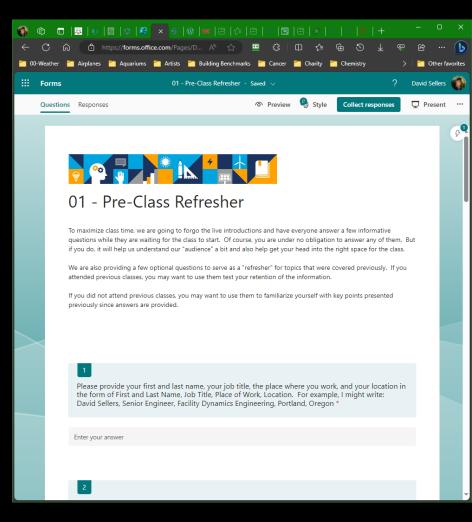
### Introductions

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#### A Bit About Me

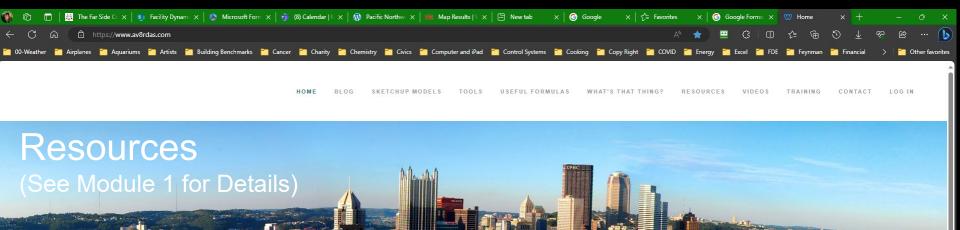
(See Module 1 and the Bio on the PG&E Training Site for Details)

A Senior Engineer for Facility
Dynamics Engineering Focusing
On:

- EBCx
- NCx Support
- Hands-on Technical Training
- System Analysis
- Control System Design



I Will Tend to Discuss Things in the RCx/Re-Cx/OCx Context (a.k.a Operating the Building Properly)





What's New? Search

Buildings are Talking to Us

We Just Need to Learn How to Listen



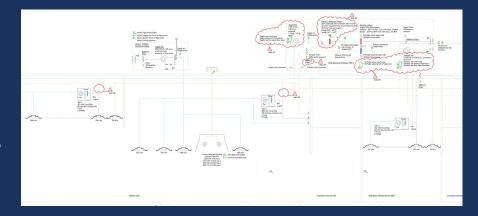


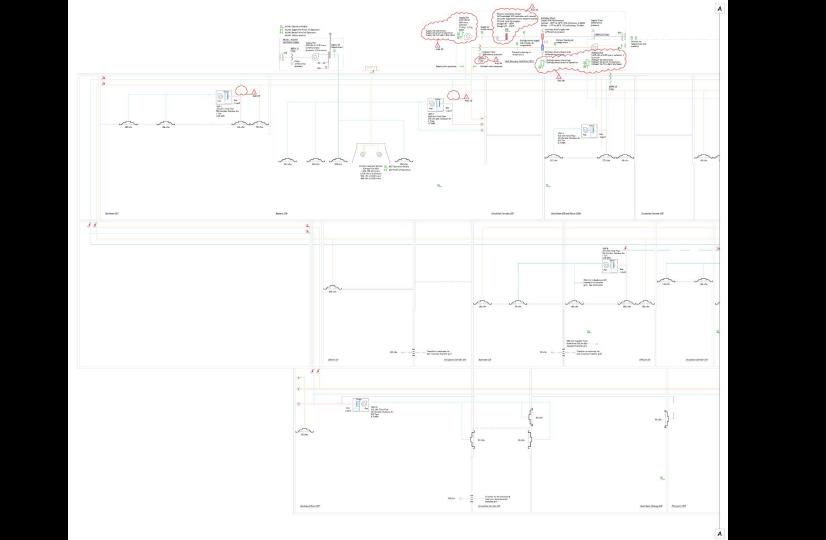


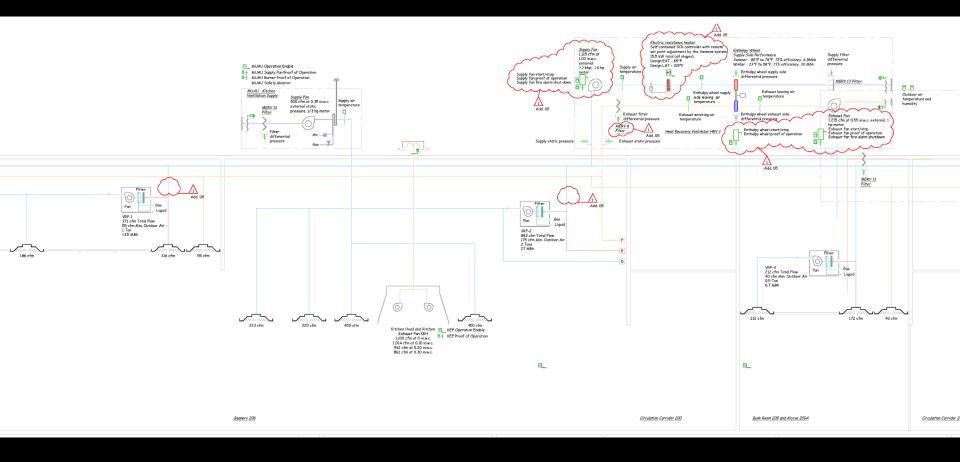




# Ventilation Today's Focus



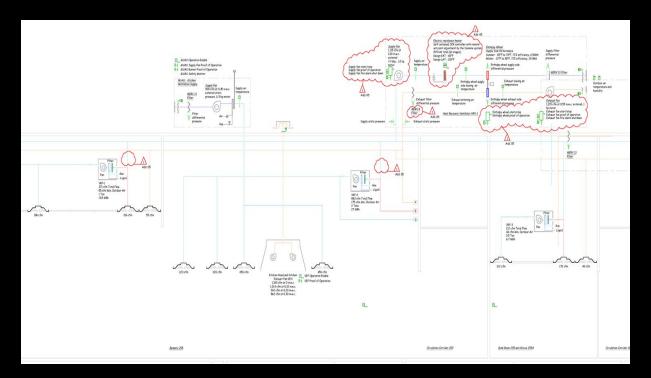


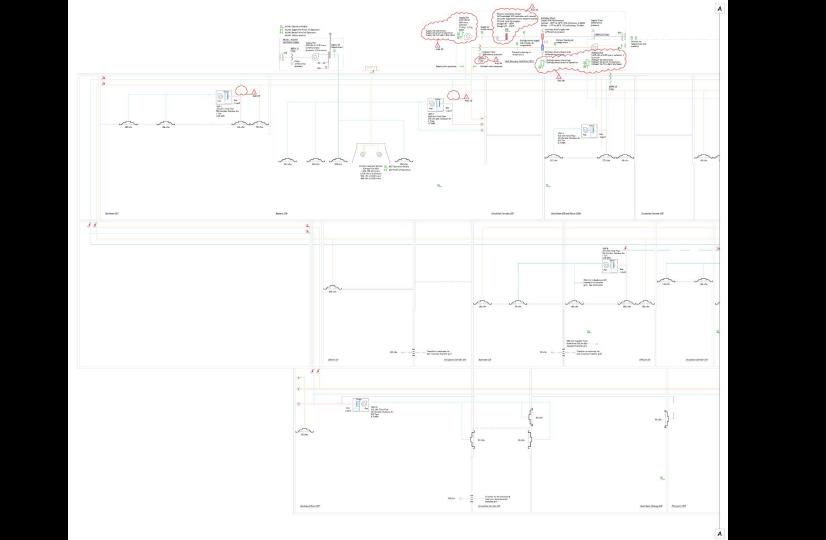


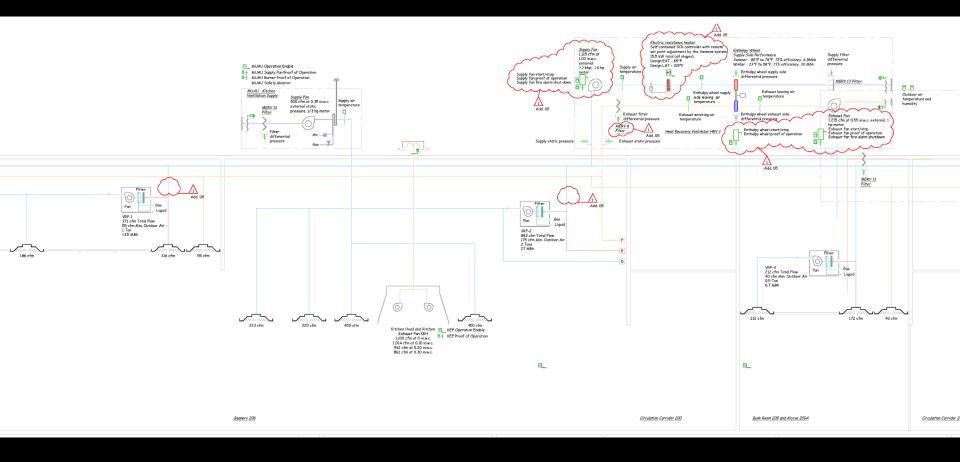
# A Question For You

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#### Ventilation

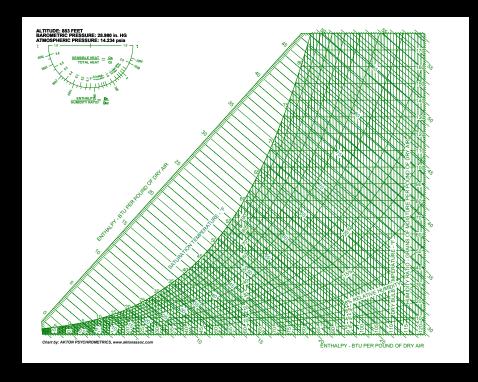
- Outdoor air that is brought into the building to manage contaminates, generally by dilution
- The outdoor air volume is dictated by:
  - Type of contaminant
  - Capture velocity
  - Occupant count
  - Code requirements
- ASHRAE Standard 62.1 is usually the basis for design
- Ventilation air typically is removed by exhaust systems

#### **Ventilation Load**

- The heating and cooling energy required to condition the ventilation air that is brought into a facility
  - With a positively pressurized space, it occurs at the central station AHU or in the system supplying outdoor air to the zone, not in the zone
  - It is often framed up in the context of delivering neutral air

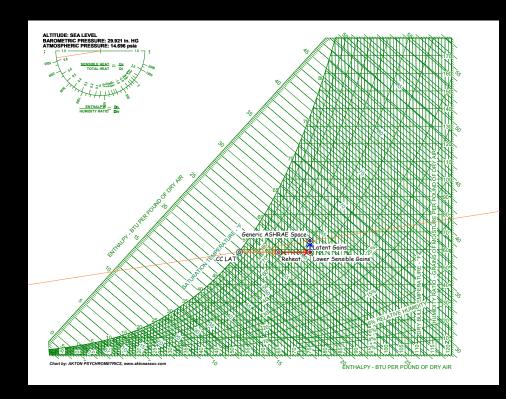
#### **Neutral Air**

- Air that has been conditioned to match the targeted space condition
  - Since this air is at the targeted space condition, it can be introduced directly into the space and will not impact the space load



#### **Neutral Air**

- Delivering neutral air may require that you do reheat
- Neutral air may work against you in some applications



#### **MAU**

https://tinyurl.com/HeatPumpD2Q2MAU



#### **MAU**

- Do You Know what "MAU" stands for?
- Make Up Air Unit

Along with about 28 other things

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MAU Multistation Access Unit

MAU Multiple Access Unit

MAU Multistation Access Unit (token ring)

MAU Medium Attachment Unit

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#### **MAU**

- Do You Know what "MAU" stands for?
- Make Up Air Unit
- Typically
  - 100% outdoor air
  - Includes filtration, a preheat process, a cooling process, and (usually) a reheat process
  - May include a humidification process





Ambient Condition (shirt sleeves)





Ambient Condition (shirt sleeves)

**Active Preheat** 









Ambient Condition (shirt sleeves)

**Active Preheat** 

**Active Reheat** 









Ambient Condition (shirt sleeves)

**Active Preheat** 

**Active Reheat** 

Cooling was also active

# The Tall Things are Cactus

Can you "connect the dots"?

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#### **ERV**

- -Energy Recovery Ventilator
- Typically
  - 100% outdoor air
  - Includes filtration, some sort of energy recovery device, and fans for the supply and exhaust air stream



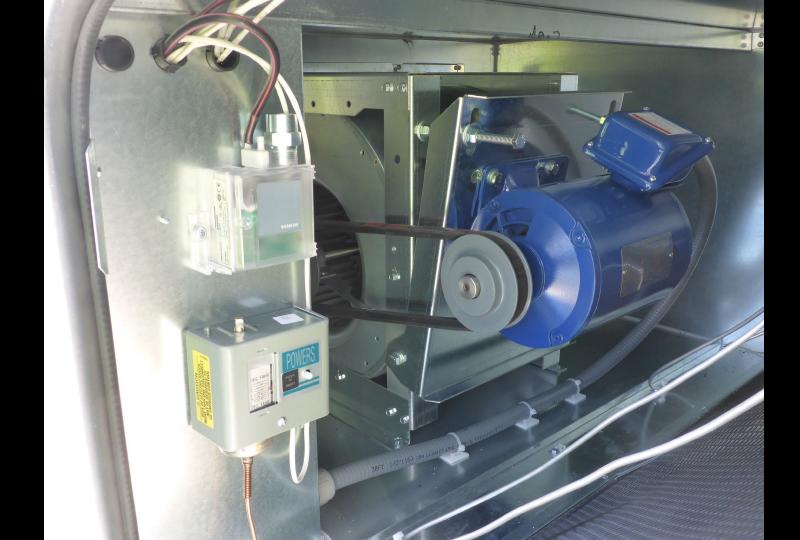
### **Another Question For You**

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#### DOAS

- Dedicated Outdoor Air System
- A complete package for handling and conditioning outdoor air
- Typically
  - 100% outdoor air
  - Includes filtration, some sort of energy recovery device, and fans for the supply and exhaust air stream
  - May include some form of supplemental heating or cooling or humidification or all three



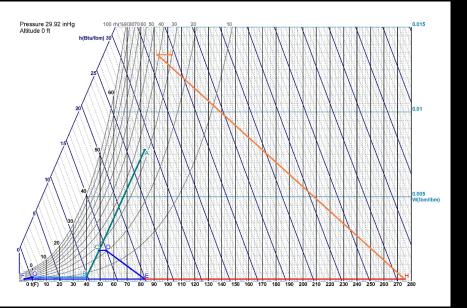


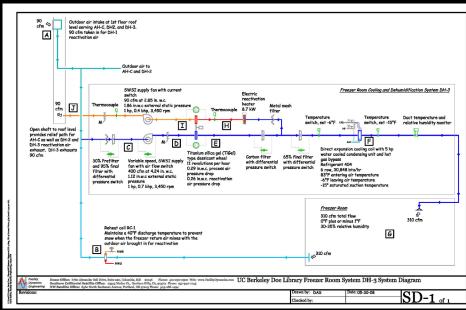


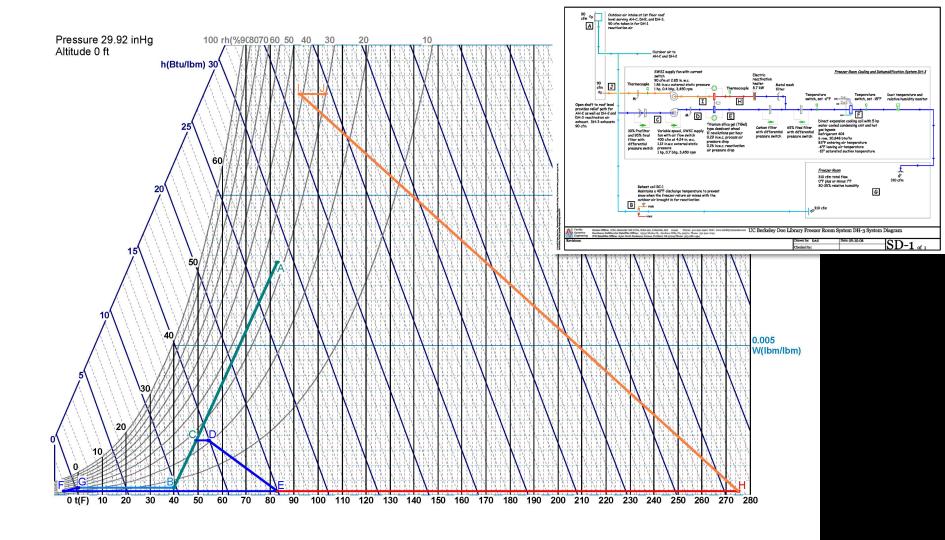
#### **Desiccant Dehumidification**

- Similar in concept to heat and energy wheels
  - Actively dehumidify vs. transfer latent energy
  - Require regeneration
  - May be an option in humid climates
  - More often used for special applications









#### Effectiveness

- Can be defined in terms of:
  - Total energy (enthalpy)
  - Sensible energy
  - Latent energy

$$\varepsilon = \left(\frac{\text{Actual transfer of energy}}{\text{Maximum transfer of energy possible}}\right)$$

Therefore, we can say ...

$$\varepsilon = \left(\frac{\textit{m}_{\textit{Exh}} \times \left(\eta_{\textit{Exh}_{\textit{Lvg}}} - \eta_{\textit{Exh}_{\textit{Ent}}}\right)}{\textit{m}_{\textit{Min}} \times \left(\eta_{\textit{Sup}_{\textit{Ent}}} - \eta_{\textit{Exh}_{\textit{Ent}}}\right)}\right) \text{. and } .\varepsilon = \left(\frac{\textit{m}_{\textit{Sup}} \times \left(\eta_{\textit{Sup}_{\textit{Ent}}} - \eta_{\textit{Sup}_{\textit{Lvg}}}\right)}{\textit{m}_{\textit{Min}} \times \left(\eta_{\textit{Sup}_{\textit{Ent}}} - \eta_{\textit{Exh}_{\textit{Ent}}}\right)}\right)$$

#### Where:

 $\varepsilon$  = Wheel effectiveness

 $m_{Exh}$  = Exhaust mass flow rate

 $m_{Sup}$  = Supply mass flow rate

 $m_{Min}$  = Minimum of the two mass flow rates

 $\eta_{Exh_{ya}} = Exhaust air leaving enthalpy$ 

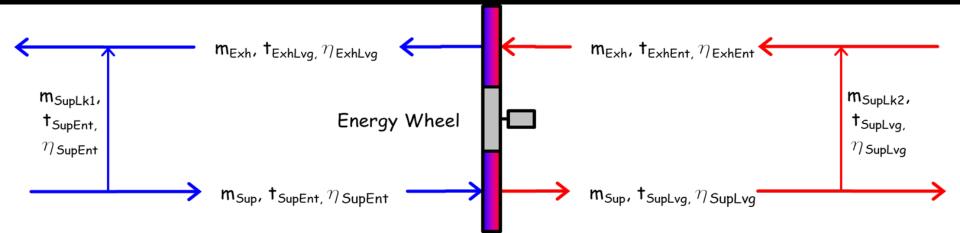
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 $\eta_{Sup_{Ent}}$  = Supply air entering enthalpy

 $\eta_{Sup_{lva}}$  = Supply air leaving enthalpy

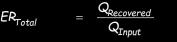
#### Effectiveness

- From the perspective of the exhaust air stream
  - Cooling supply air is numerically positive
  - Heating supply air is numerically negative



### Recovery Efficiency Ratio

- Considers the energy it takes to recover energy
  - Extra fans
  - Additional filter static osses
  - Energy recovery device static losses
  - Run around coil pumps



$$\frac{Q_{\text{Recovered}}}{\left(W_{\text{SupplyFan}} + W_{\text{ExhaustFan}} + W_{\text{WheelMotor}}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{\varepsilon \times \mathsf{m}_{\mathsf{Min}} \times \left(\eta_{\mathsf{Sup}_{\mathsf{Ent}}} - \eta_{\mathsf{Exh}_{\mathsf{Ent}}}\right)}{\left(+W_{\mathsf{SupplyFan}} + W_{\mathsf{ExhaustFan}} + W_{\mathsf{WheelMotor}}\right)}$$

Where:

 $m_{Min}$ 

 $m_{Fxh}$ 

R ER<sub>Total</sub> Recovery efficiency ratio, total energy basis, Btu per watt hour

Recovery device effectiveness

Supply air entering enthalpy, Btu/lb  $\eta_{Sup_{Ent}}$ 

Exhaust air entering enthalpy, Btu/lb  $\eta_{\mathsf{Exh}_{\mathsf{Ent}}}$ 

> with the wheel  $(m_{Sup} \text{ and } m_{Exh})$

Supply mass flow rate, lb/hr msun Exhaust mass flow rate, lb/hr

Supply fan energy, watts W<sub>SupplyFan</sub>

Exhaust fan energy, watts  $W_{ExhaustFan}$ Wheel (or other power consuming recovery device)

motor energy, watts

Minimum of the two mass flow rates associated

#### **Options**

- Plate Heat Exchangers
- Wheels
- Heat Pipes
- Run Around Coils
- Thermosiphons
- Liquid Desiccant Recovery
- Fixed Bed Regenerator

ASHRAE Systems and Equipment Handbook Chapter 26 is a good reference

#### Plate Heat Exchangers

- Non-permeable (sensible only) and permeable (sensible and latent) option
- Typical effectiveness range
  - Sensible 50-75
  - Latent 25-60
  - Total 35 70
- Pressure drop range 0.4 4.0 in.w.c. at up to 1,000 fpm
- Control methods
  - Bypass dampers





#### Wheels

- Sensible only and total energy options
- Typical effectiveness range
  - Sensible 65 80
  - Latent 50 80
  - Total 25 60
- Pressure drop range 0.4 1.2 in.w.c. at up to 800 fpm
- Control methods
  - Bypass dampers
  - Wheel speed control



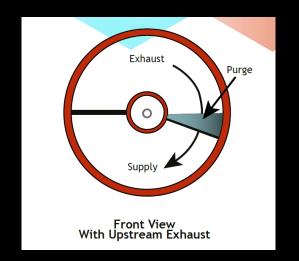


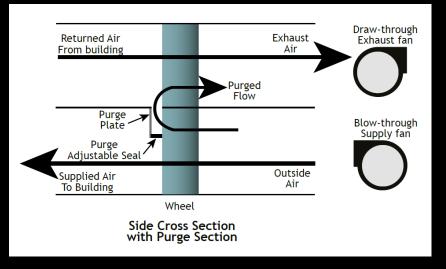


# Heat and Energy Wheel Purge

- By their nature, wheels will move a bit of exhaust air to the supply air stream and vice versa
- Purge hardware reverses the flow through a sector of the wheel as it enters the supply air stream
- This reduces crosscontamination but reduces effectiveness and increases fan power

Images courtesy innergytech.com





#### **Heat Pipes**

- Sensible only
- Typical effectiveness range 40 60
- Pressure drop range 0.6 2.0 in.w.c. at up to 800 fpm
- Controlled by tilting the coil

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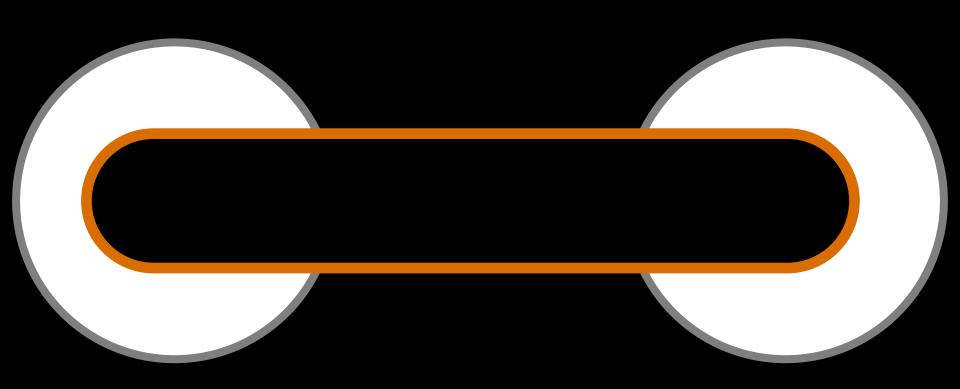
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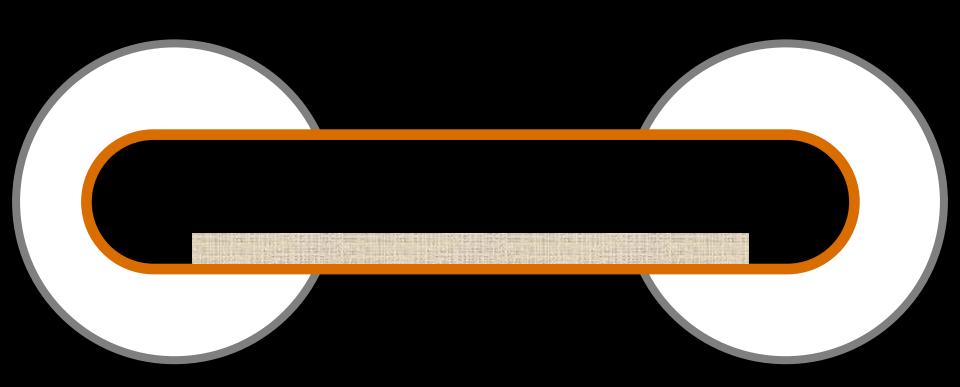
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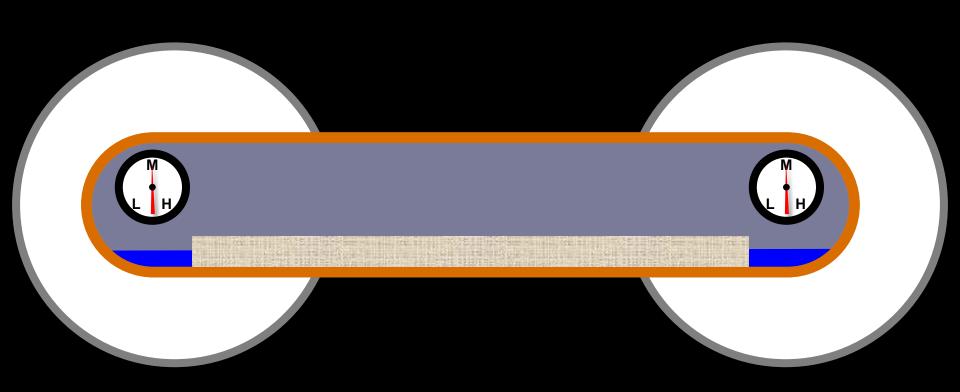
Start with a sealed conductive metal tube between two ducts



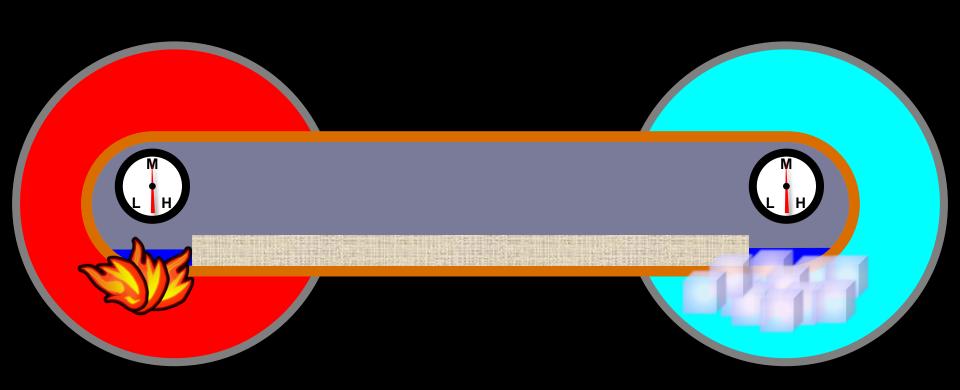
Add a wick



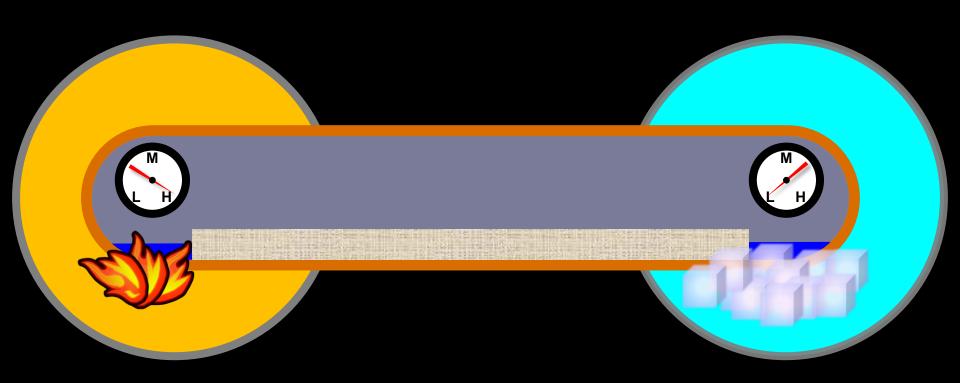
Charge it with refrigerant in a saturated state



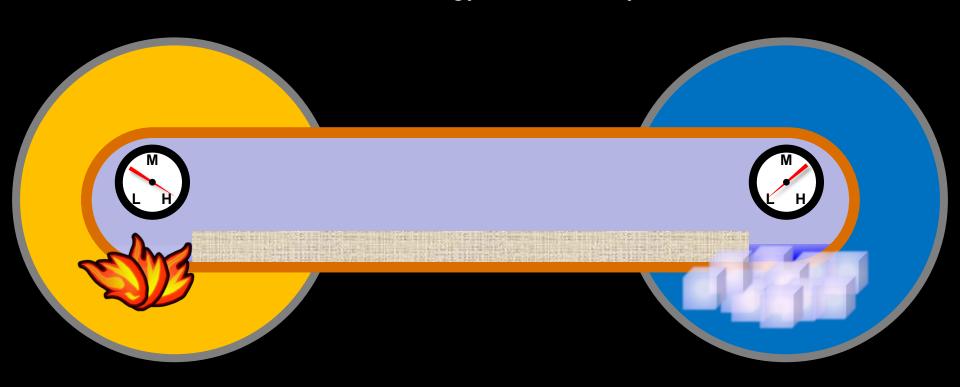
Create a thermal gradient along its length



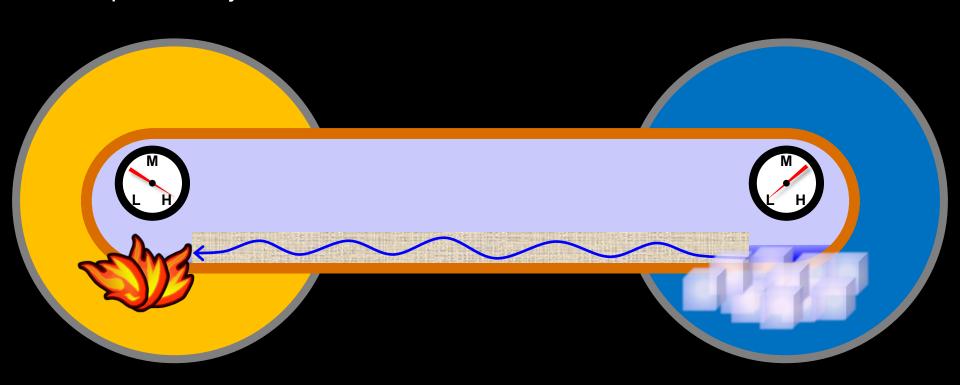
Evaporating refrigerant at the hot end removes energy from the vicinity of the hot end and creates a pressure gradient in the tube



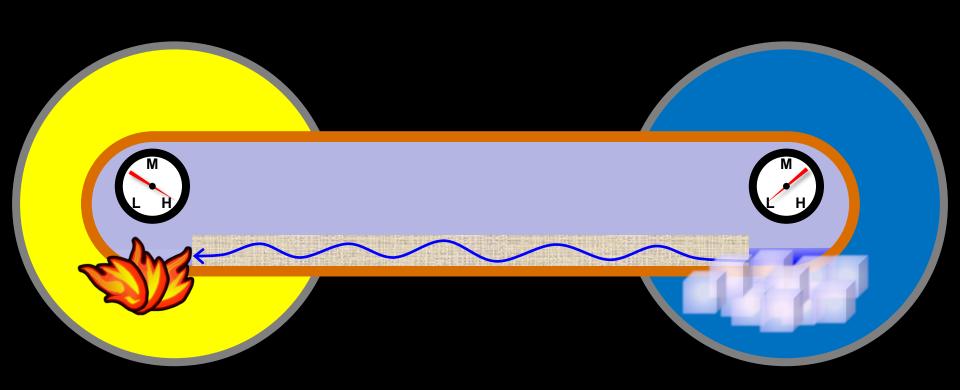
The pressure gradient causes vapor to flow to the cold end where it condenses and releases the energy in the vicinity of the cold end



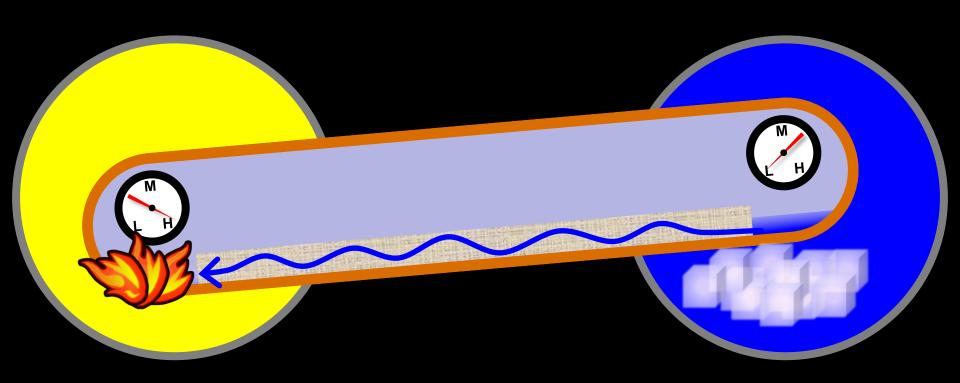
Capillary action in the wick moves the liquid refrigerant back to the hot end to repeat the cycle



Tilting the tube impacts the capillary action and can modulate energy transfer



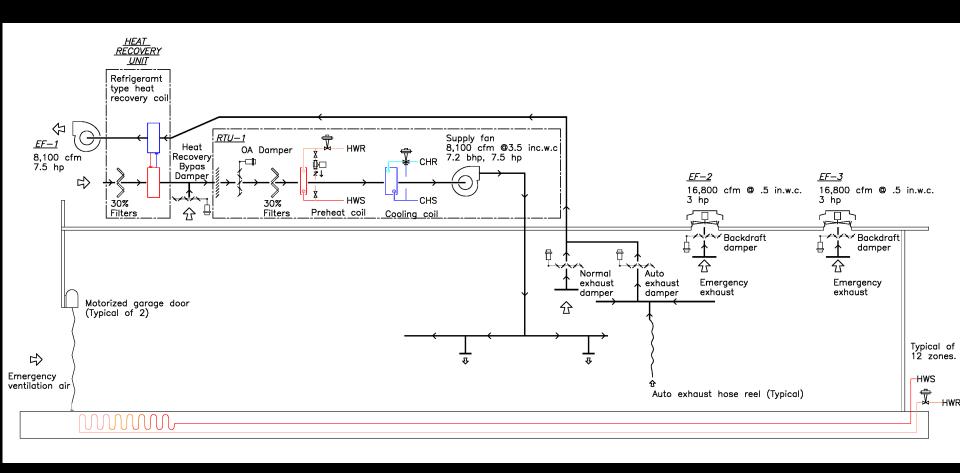
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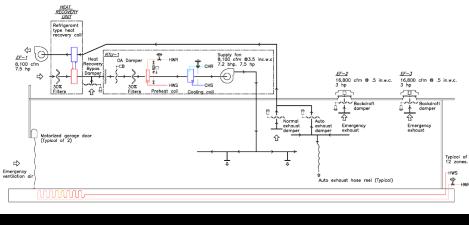








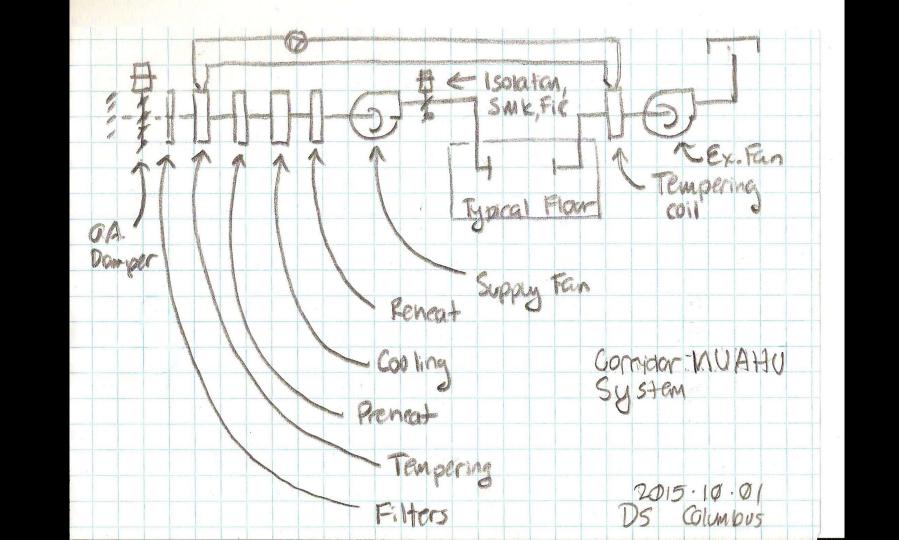




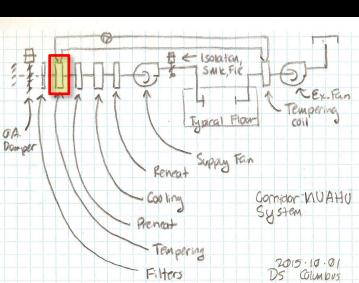
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#### Run Around Coils

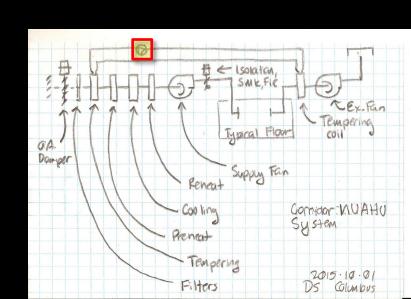
- Sensible only
- Typical effectiveness range 45 65
- Pressure drop range 0.6 2.0 in.w.c. at up to 600 fpm
- Controlled by a valve that bypasses flow around the coil



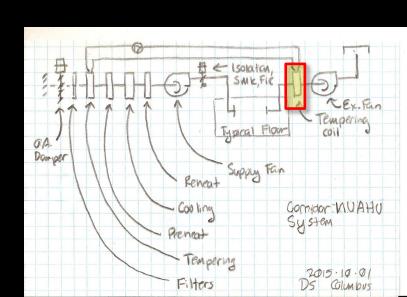




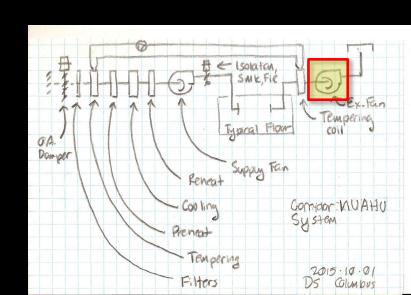


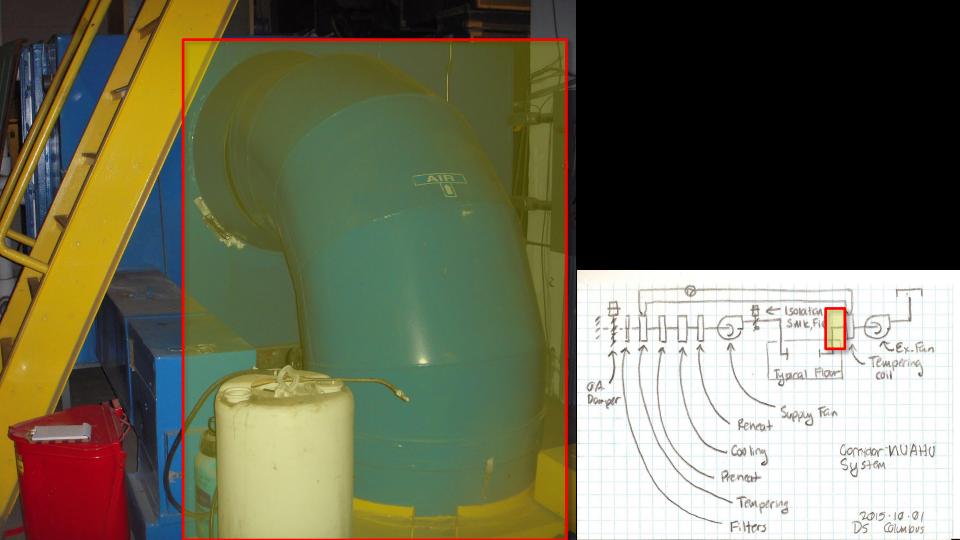












## Summary

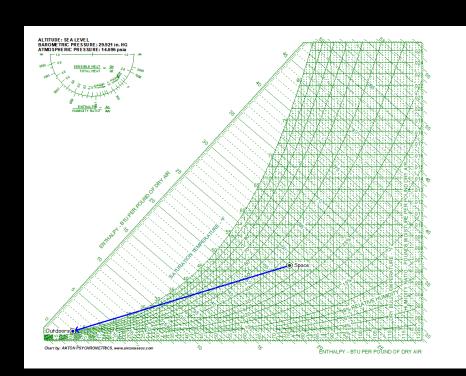
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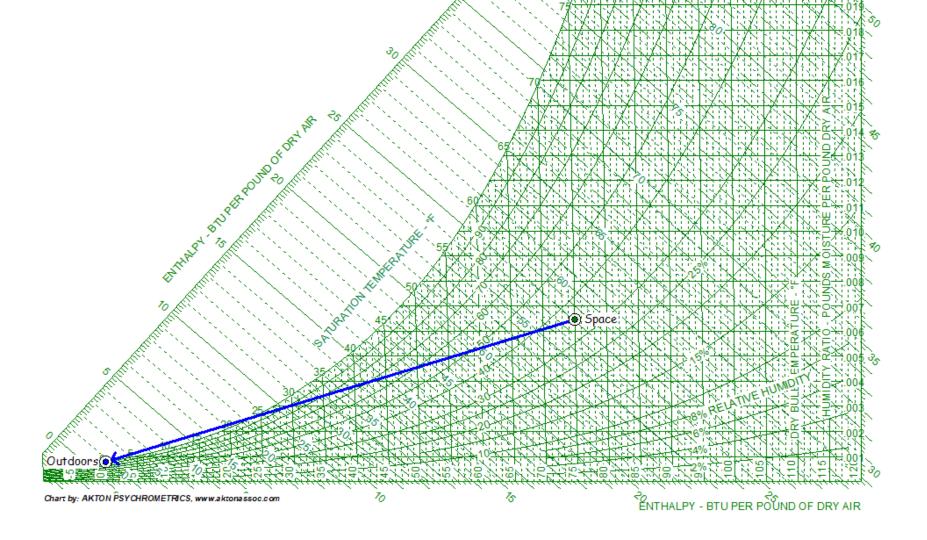
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### Frosting

## A Concern in Cold Environments

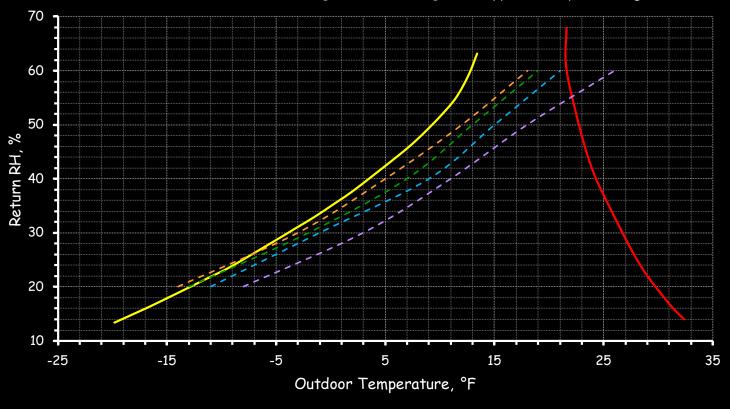
- Occurs when:
  - The dew point of the return air is high enough to result in condensation on the recovery device
  - Outdoor temperatures are below 32°F





#### Energy Recovery Unit Frost Thresholds

Based on data from Frost Control Strategies for AirXchange Enthlalpy Wheels by AirXchange



——Generic Plate Heat Exchanger

- ---Airxchange Enthalpy Wheel 70°F Indoor Air
- ---Airxchange Enthalpy Wheel 75°F Indoor Air

—Generic Enthalpy Wheel

- --- Airxchange Enthalpy Wheel 72°F Indoor Air
- ---Airxchange Enthalpyh Wheel 80°F Indoor Air

#### There Are Many Things to Consider

- Is supplemental capacity required?
- Is redundancy required?
- Is the goal:
  - Saving energy
  - Avoiding demand
  - Reducing first cost
  - Any or all
- Size

# Industry Metrics Could Be Misleading

They could be dated

Vendor	Source	per cfm cost	Date	2023 cost based on		
				the <u>Bureau of</u>		
				Labor Statistics		
				Inflation Calculator		
Greenheck	Application Guide	\$3.60	Copyright 1997	\$6.95		
Loren-Cook	ERV Catalog	\$3.00	Mar-16	\$3.90		

## Industry Metrics Could Be Misleading

- They could be dated
- They may not consider all of the desired features

Maximum flow rate - 3,500 cfm

Basic ERU cost - \$47,841

13.67 \$/cfm

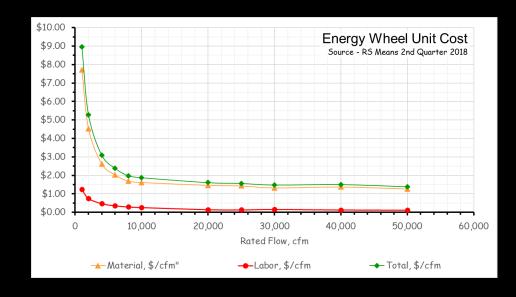
As furnished ERU cost - \$71,450

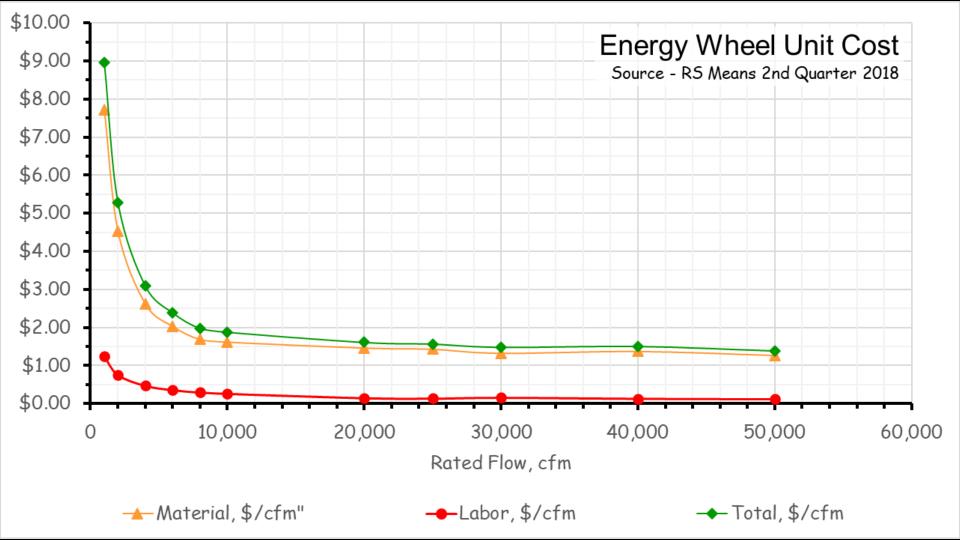
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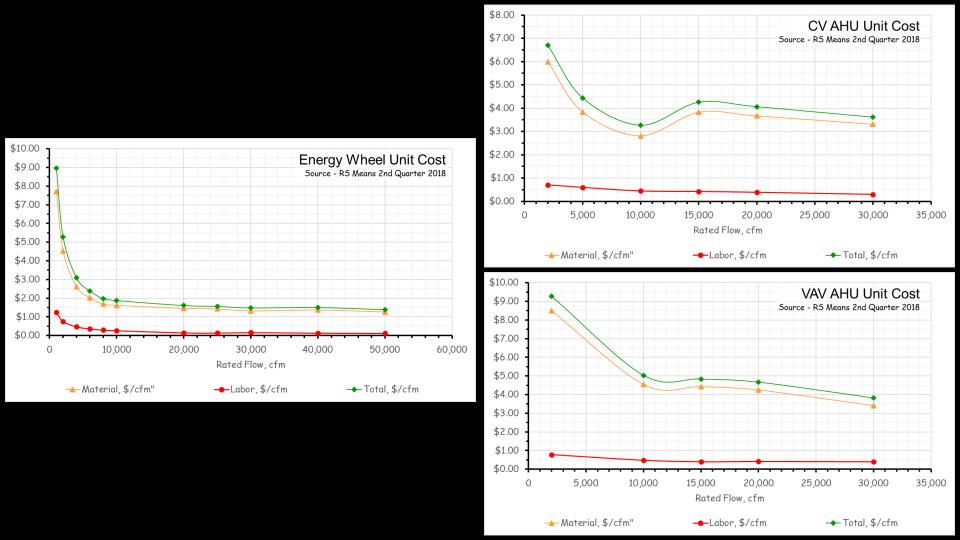
Qty1	Supply FRPM	Outdoor Volume (CFM)	Supply SP							
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ID: 4	1,658 Tag HRI TAGS	3,500 U-1	1.75	905	2,250	0.75				\$47,841
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# Industry Metrics Could Be Misleading

- They could be dated
- They may not consider all of the desired features
- Size has a significant impact









## Questions?













Please fill out the class survey here, we appreciate your feedback!

## THANK YOU

