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Commissioning Heat Pump Systems: Existing Buildings

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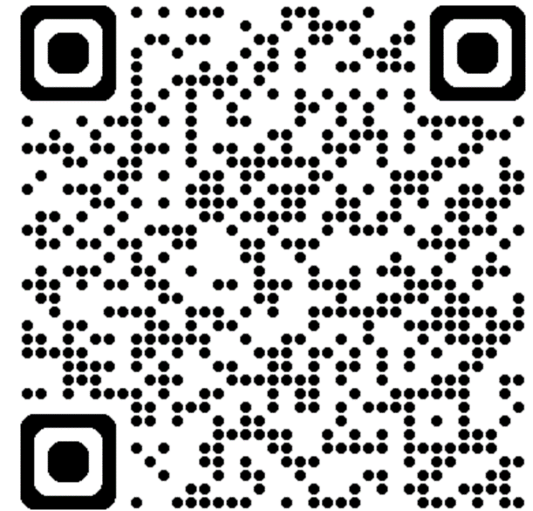
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Introduction

Today's Agenda

1. Introduction
2. Previously on Commissioning Heat Pump Systems
3. A Closer Look at Functional Testing for a Water Source Heat Pump Loop in a New Construction Process
4. The Existing Building Commissioning Process
5. Case Studies
 - Retrocommissioning a Water Source Heat Pump Loop
 - A Common VRF System Commissioning Issue (time permitting)

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)

Resources

(See Module 1 for Details)



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What's New?

Buildings are Talking to Us

We Just Need to Learn How to Listen

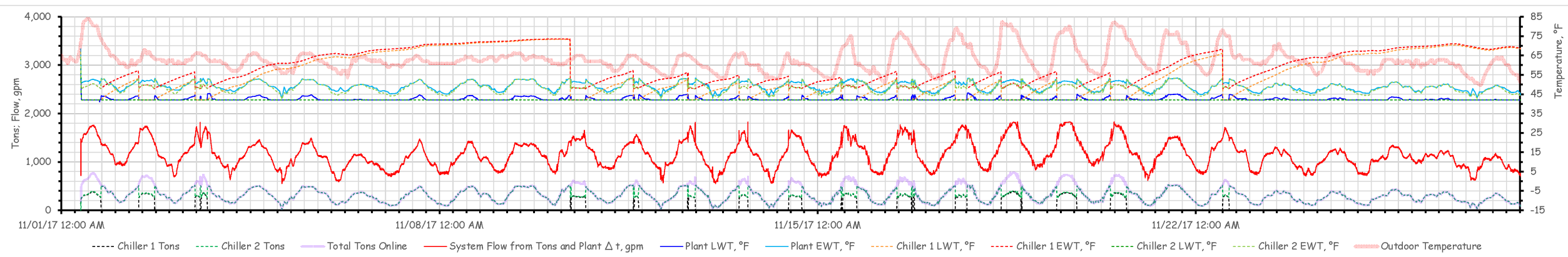
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Previously on Commissioning Heat Pump Systems

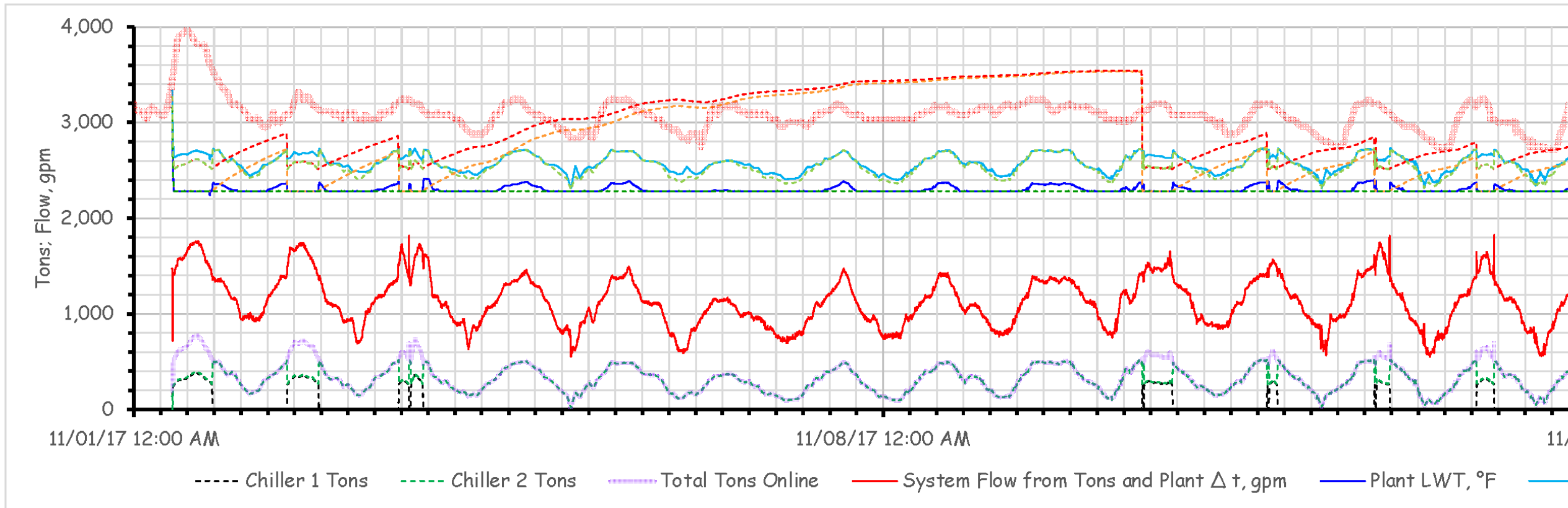
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Introduction to Heat Pumps (1st Module)

A Few Definitions

Heat Pump

- A heat pump extracts heat from a source and transfers it to a sink at a higher temperature

2020 ASHRAE Handbook of Systems and Equipment, Chapter 9

Common Examples of Heat Pumps

Air Conditioner



Refrigerator



Common Examples of Heat Pumps

The “pump” term is important

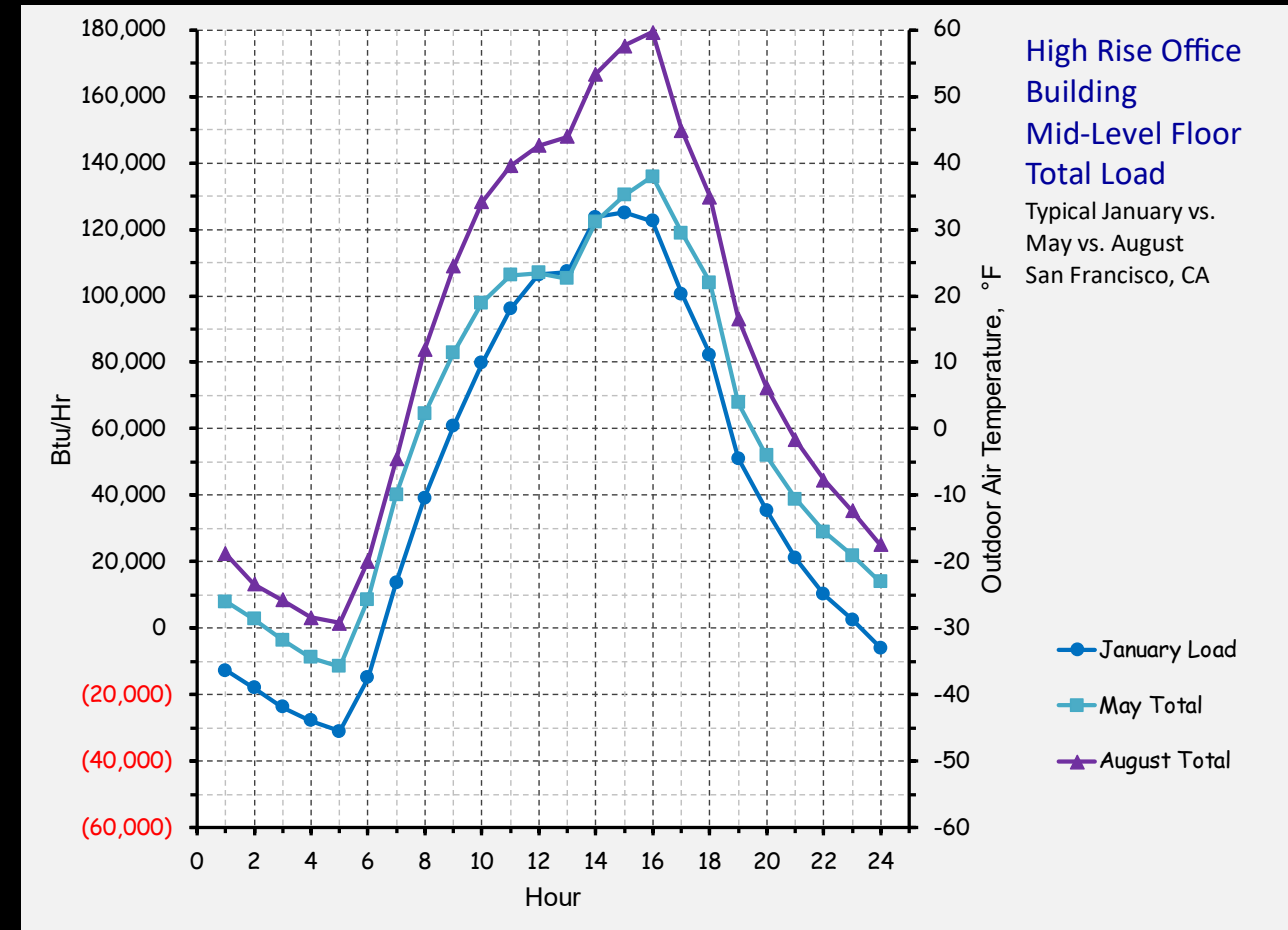
- Energy naturally flows from Hot to Cold
Heat pumps move heat in the opposite direction
- They don't create energy; they use energy to move additional energy from a Cold Location to a Hot Location

<https://tinyurl.com/HeatPumpBlogPost>



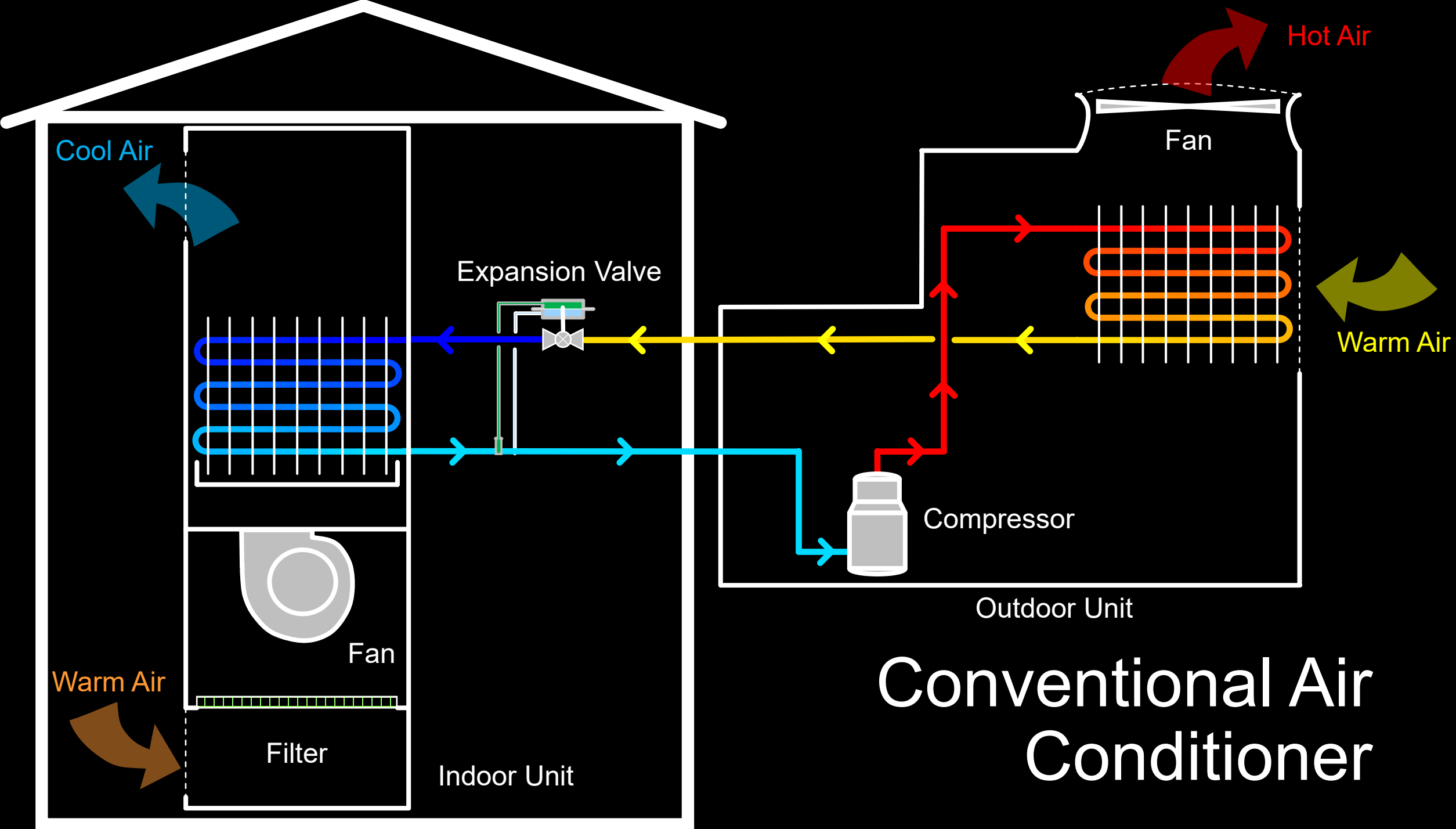
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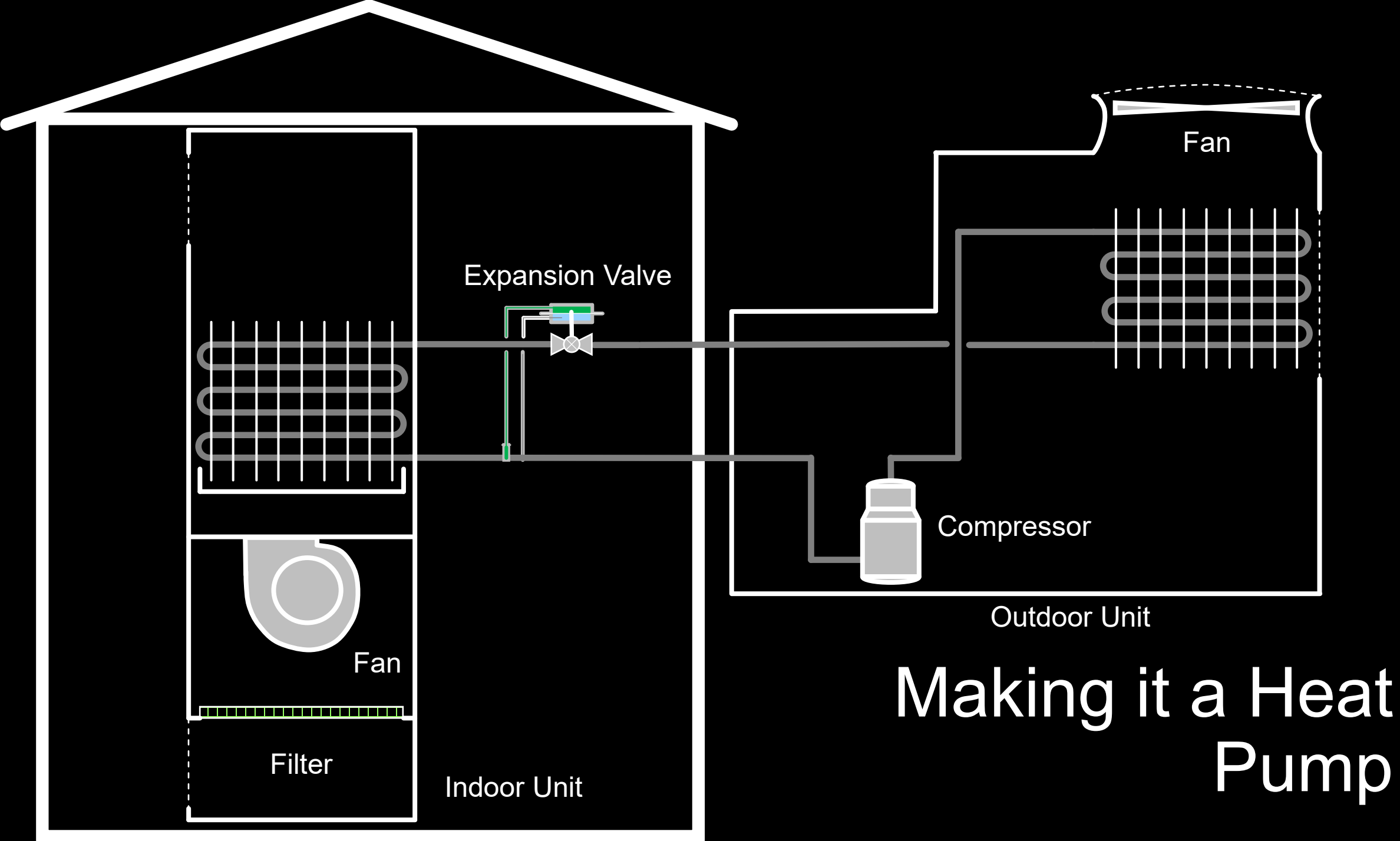
- Modern buildings generate a lot of heat
- Heat pumps allow us to move that heat from where it is not needed to where it is needed
- Economizer processes may be throwing away the heat we would like to recover

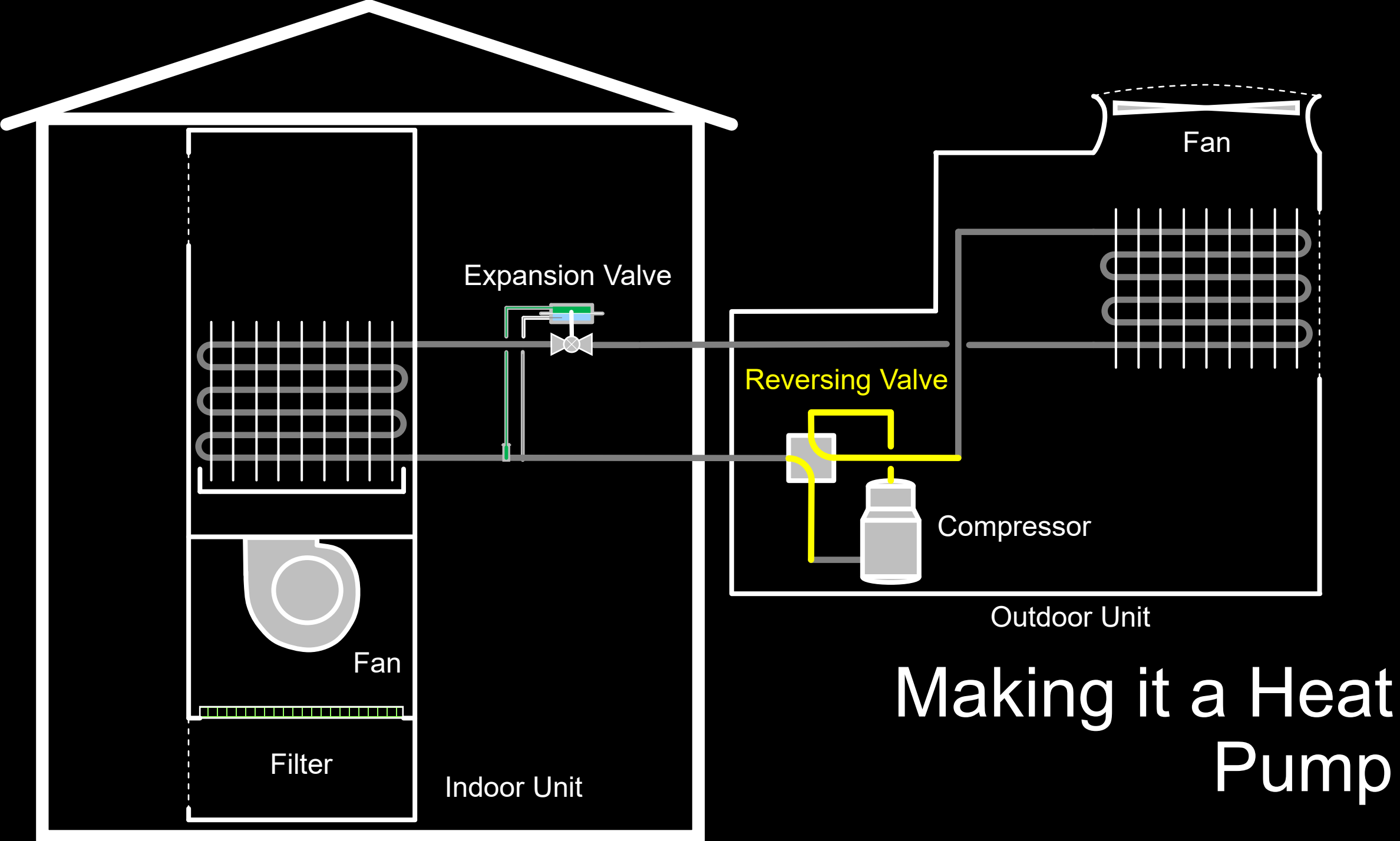


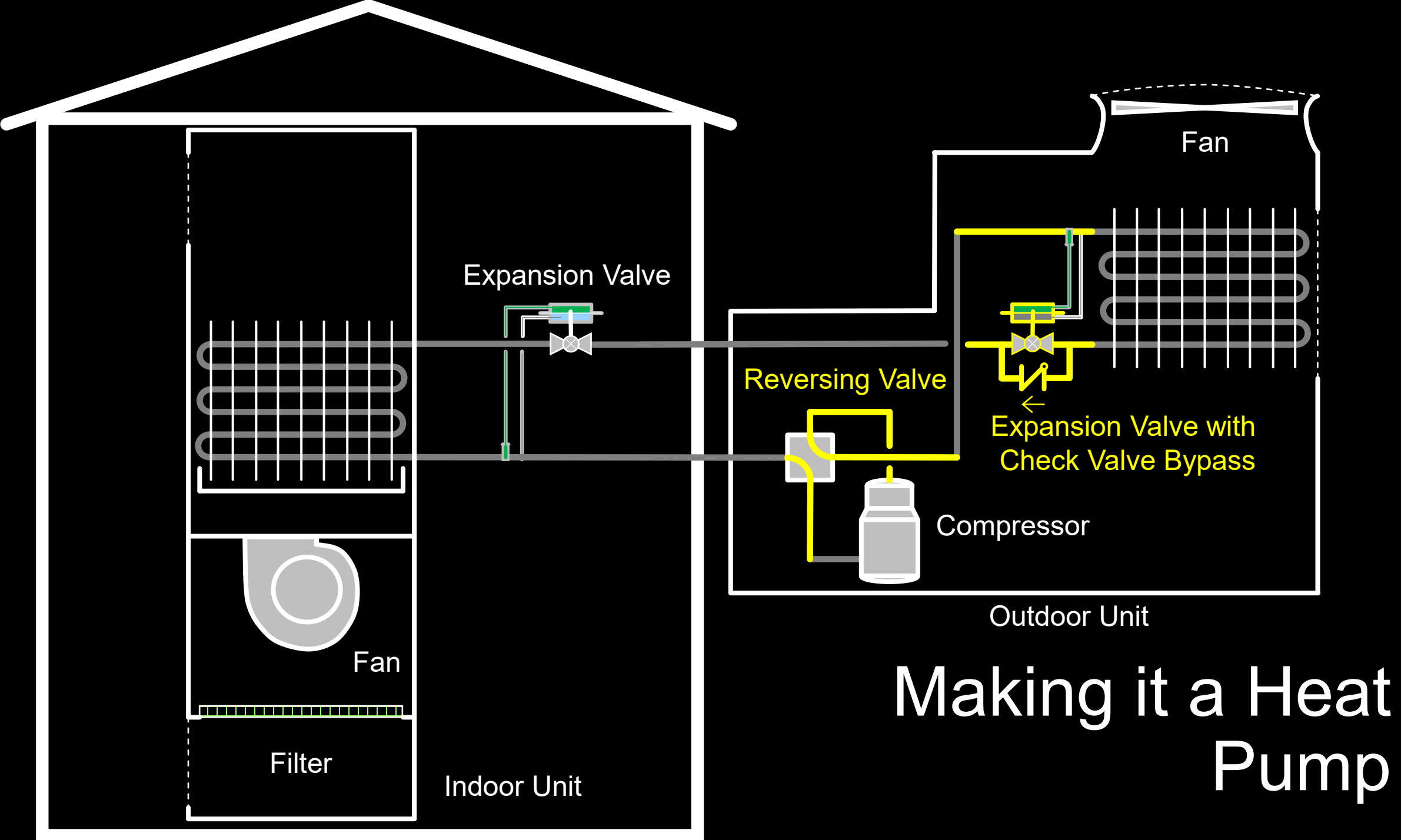
How Buildings Use Heat

Application	Electrification Target	Heat Pump Target	Conservation EBCx Target
• Heating ✓	✓	✓	✓
• Preheat ✓	✓	✓	✓
• Reheat ✓	✓	✓	✓
• Cooling ✓	✓	✓	✓
• Humidification ✓	✓	✓	✓
• Power Generation			✓

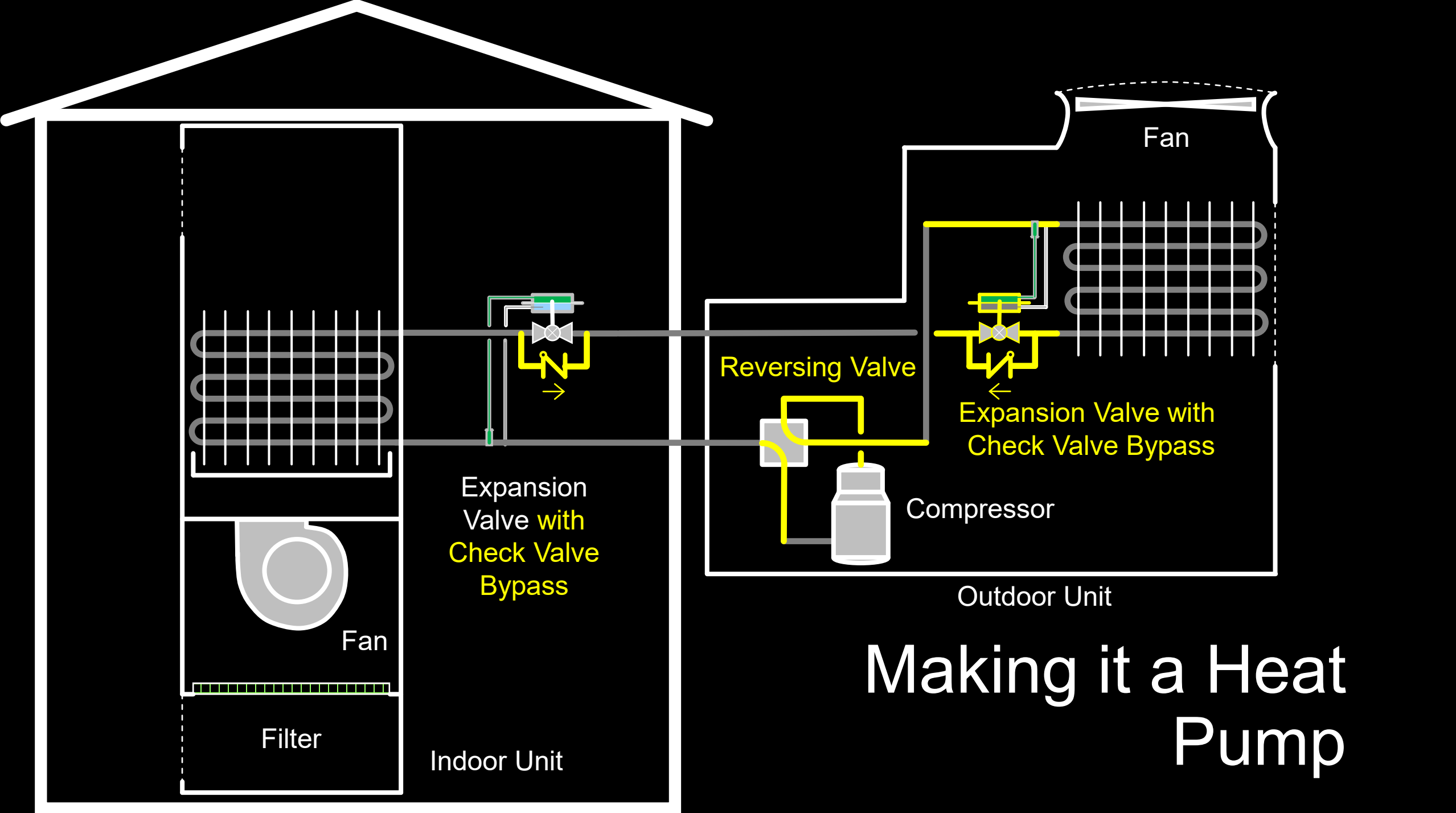


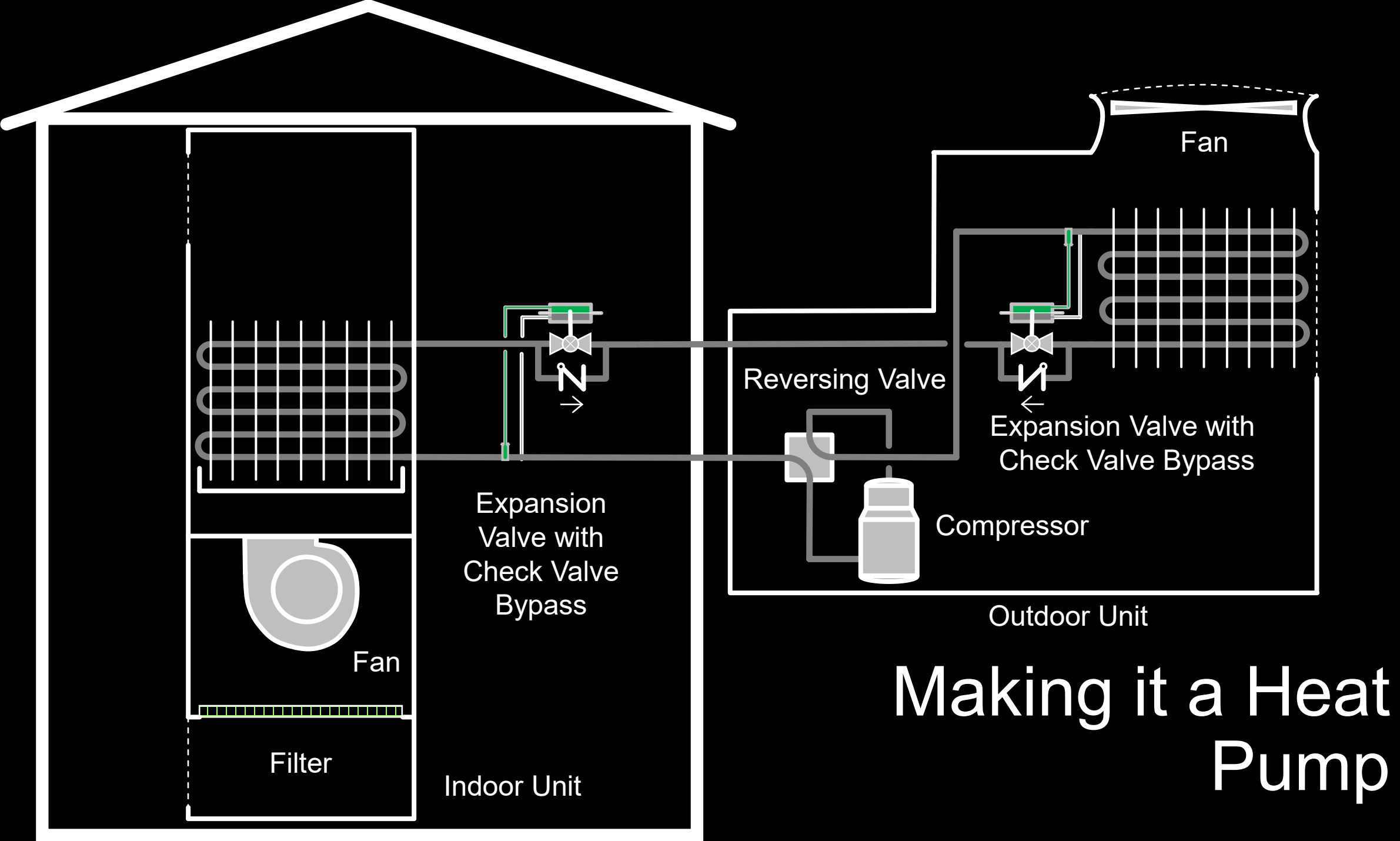


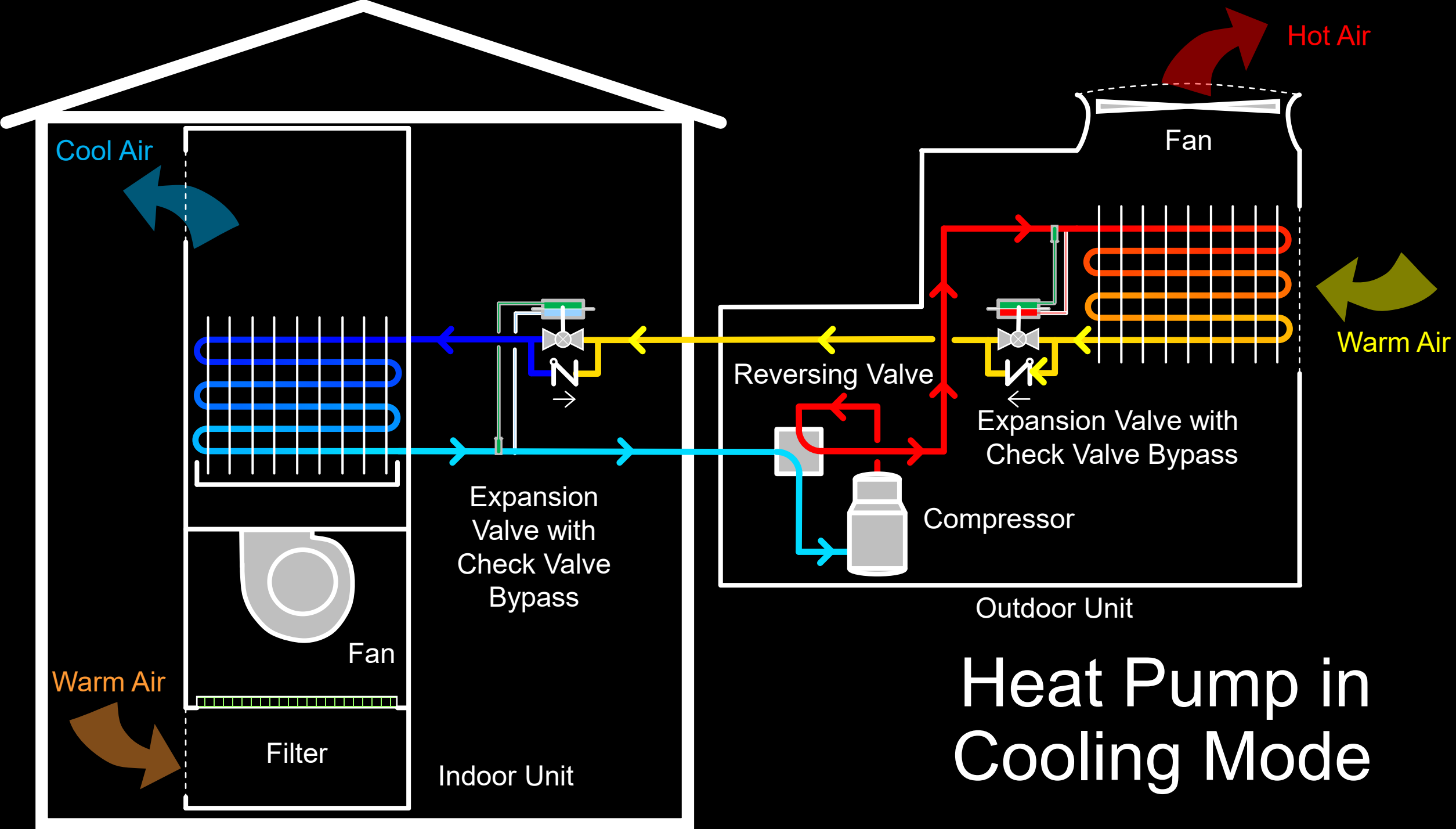


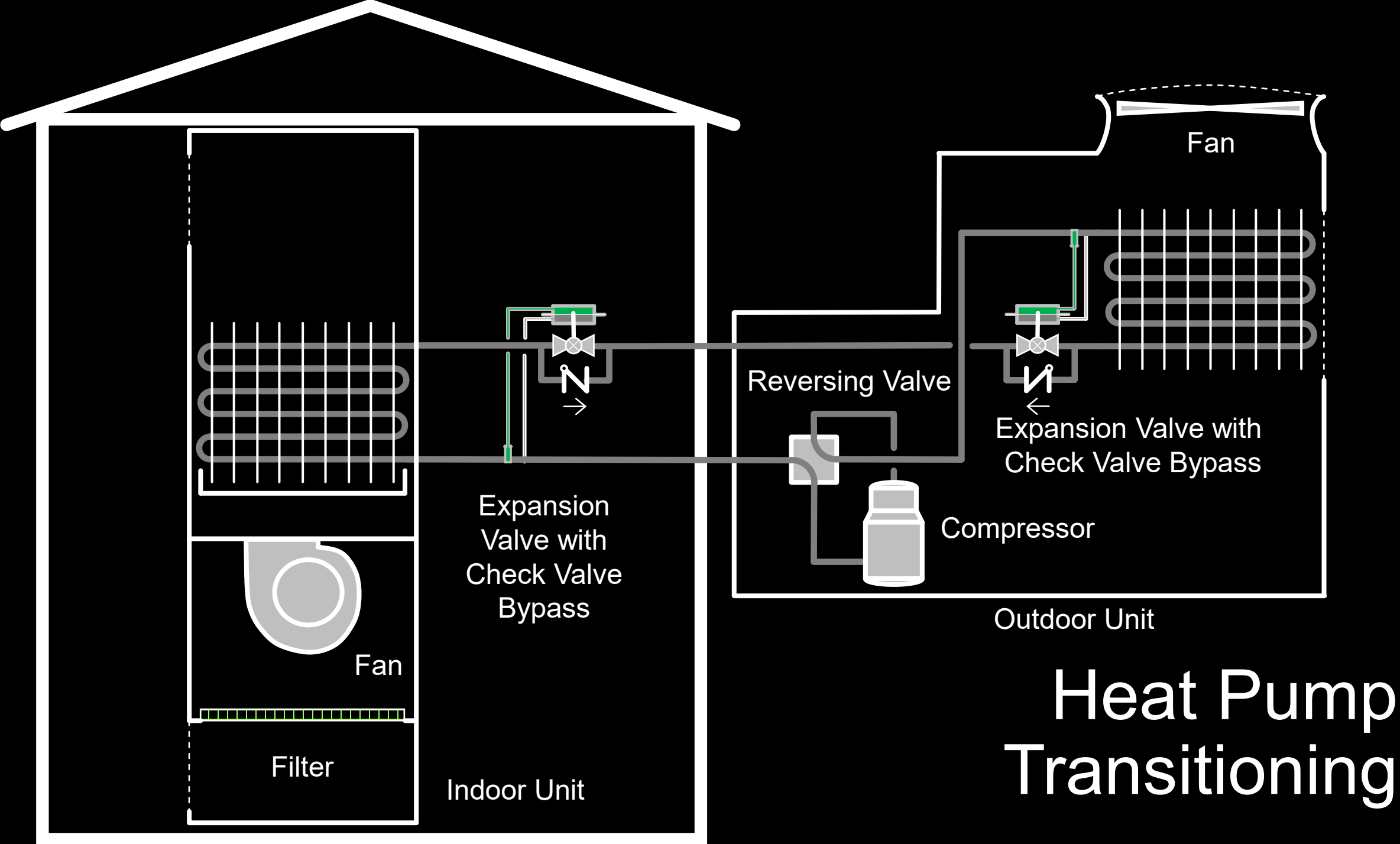


Making it a Heat Pump

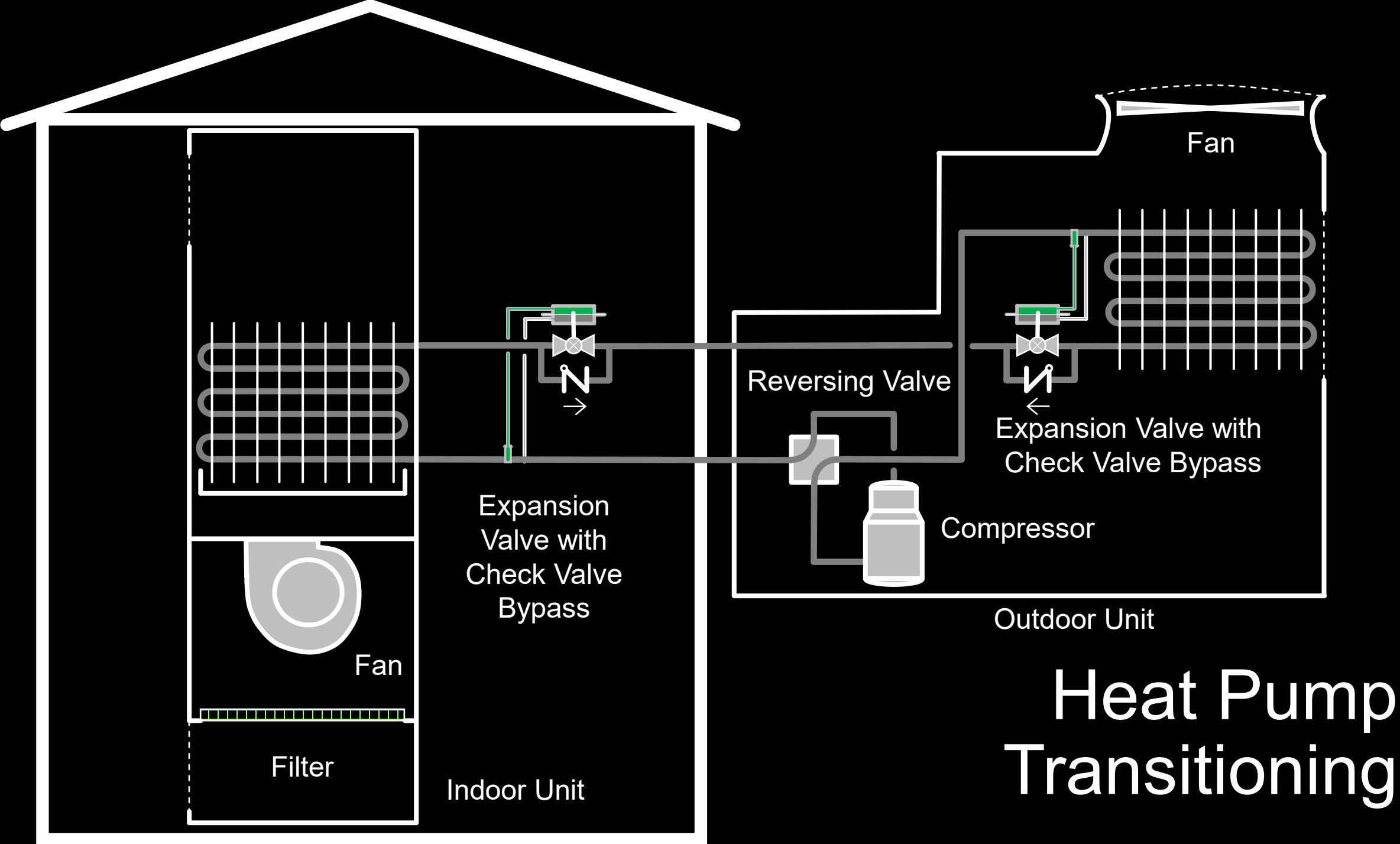






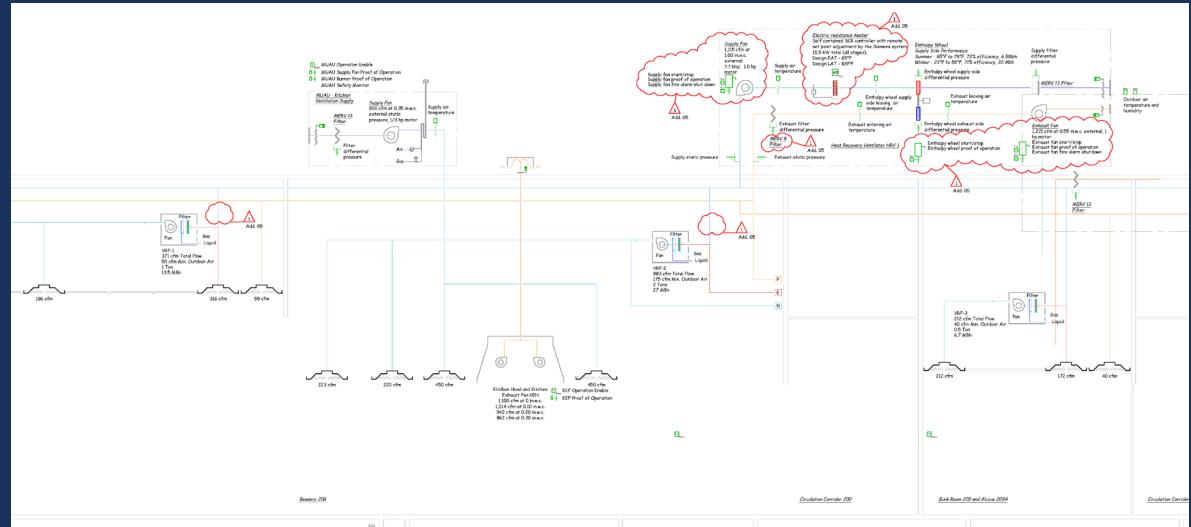


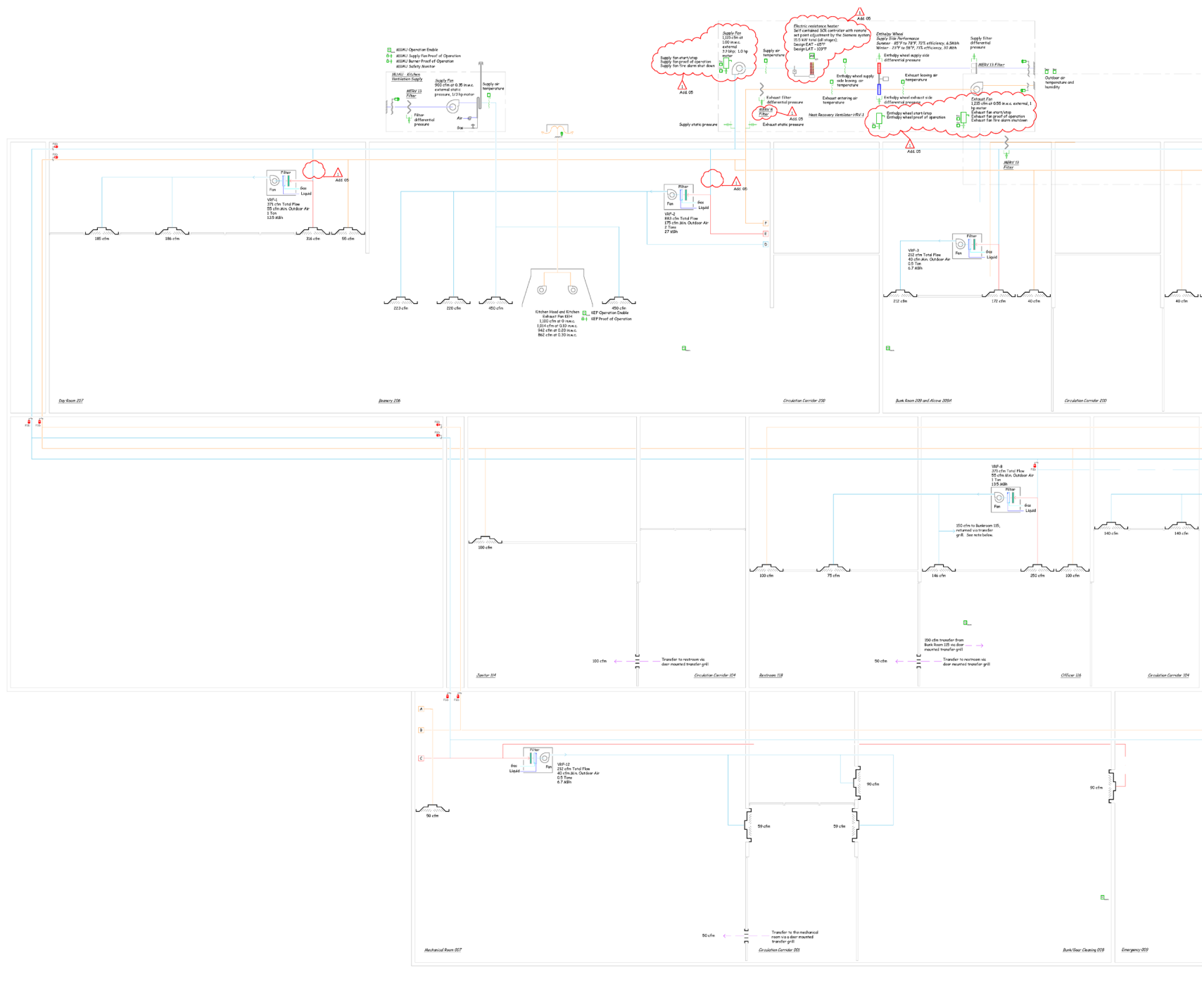
Heat Pump Transitioning





Ventilation (2nd Module)

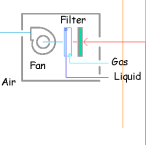
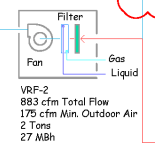
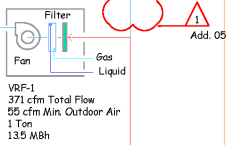
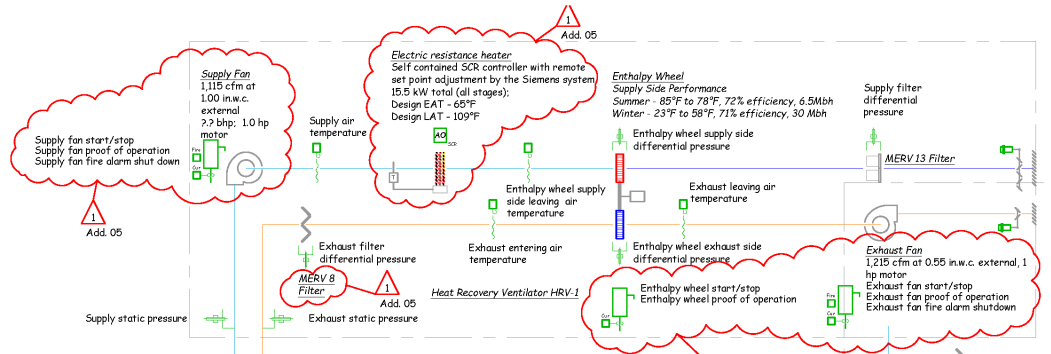
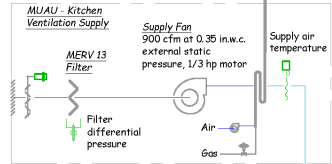




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- MUAU Supply Fan Proof of Operation
- MUAU Burner Proof of Operation
- MUAU Safety Monitor



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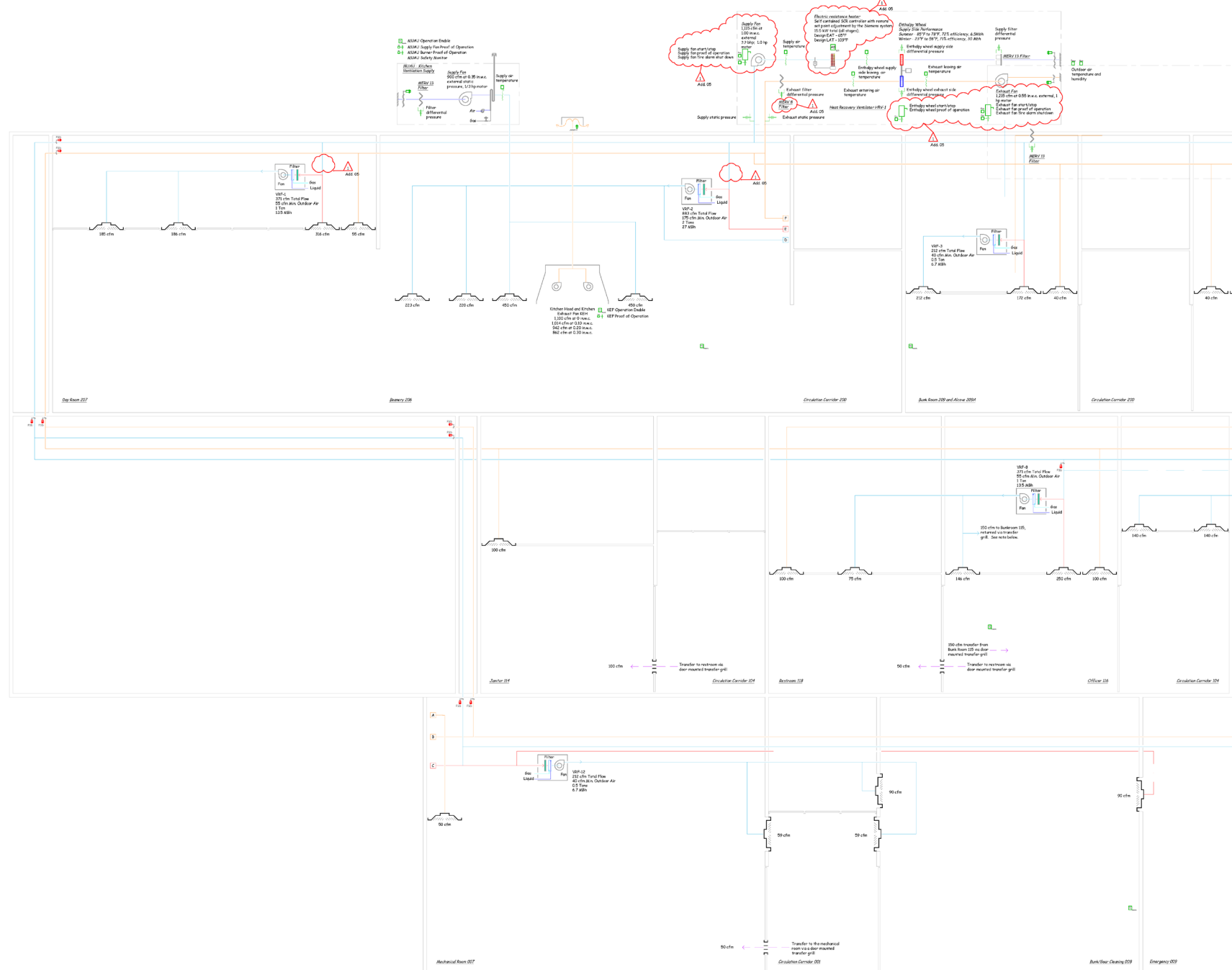
223 cfm 220 cfm 450 cfm 450 cfm

Kitchen Hood and Kitchen Exhaust Fan KEH
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862 cfm at 0.30 in.w.c.

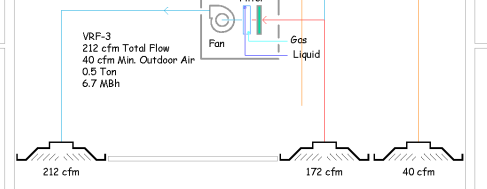
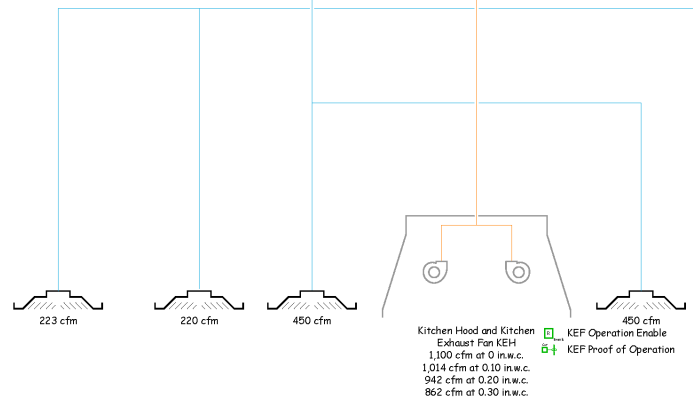
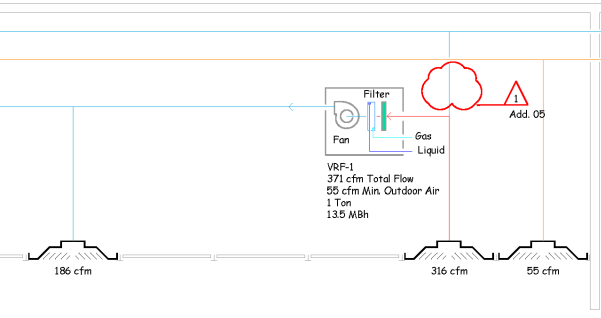
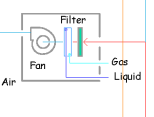
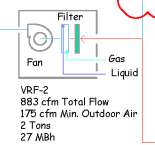
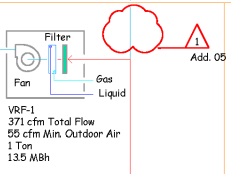
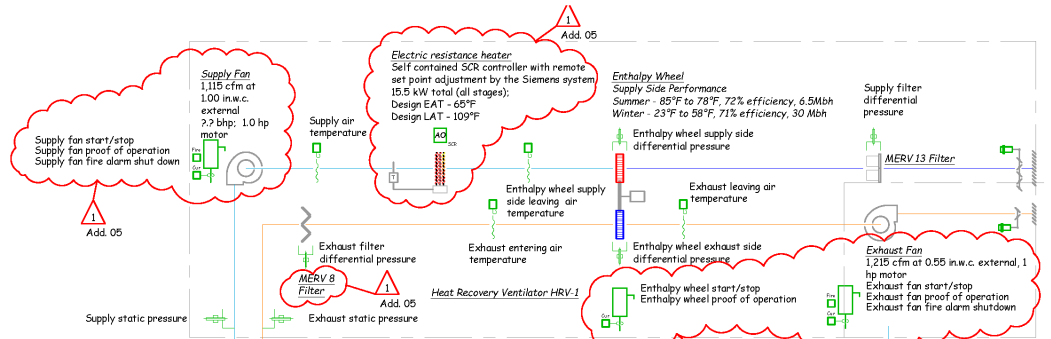
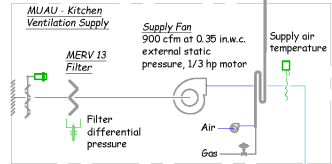
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Circulation Corridor 200

Bunk Room 209 and Alcove 209A

Circulation Corridor 201

Energy Recovery Strategies

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*

A Few More Definitions

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 ...

$$\varepsilon = \left(\frac{m_{Exh} \times (\eta_{Exh_{Lvg}} - \eta_{Exh_{Ent}})}{m_{Min} \times (\eta_{Sup_{Ent}} - \eta_{Exh_{Ent}})} \right) \text{ and } \varepsilon = \left(\frac{m_{Sup} \times (\eta_{Sup_{Ent}} - \eta_{Sup_{Lvg}})}{m_{Min} \times (\eta_{Sup_{Ent}} - \eta_{Exh_{Ent}})} \right)$$

Where:

ε = Wheel effectiveness

m_{Exh} = Exhaust mass flow rate

m_{Sup} = Supply mass flow rate

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

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

$\eta_{Exh_{Ent}}$ = Exhaust air entering enthalpy

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

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

A Few More Definitions

Recovery Efficiency Ratio

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

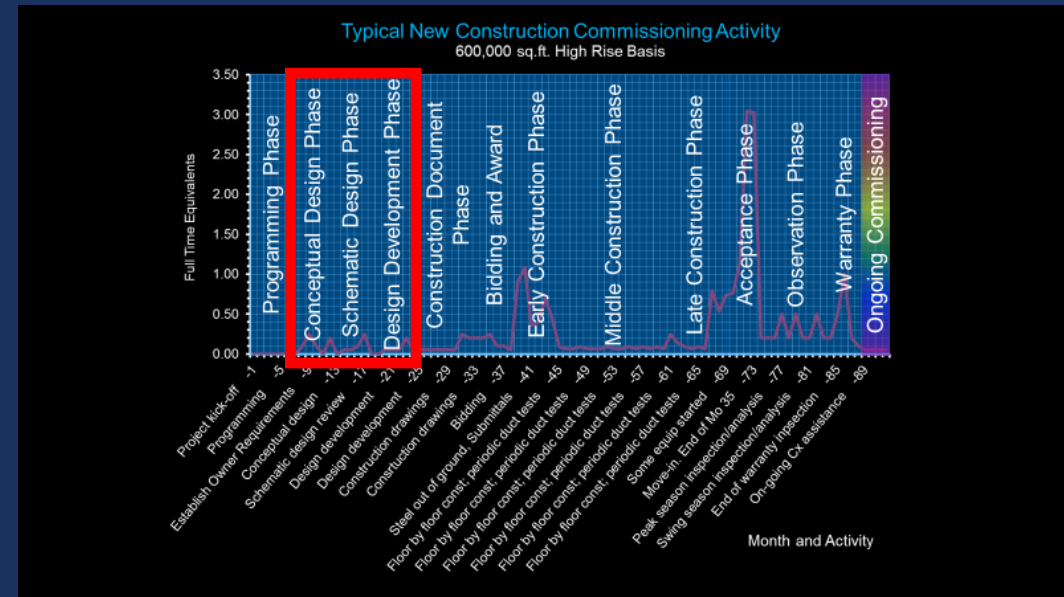
$$\begin{aligned} RER_{Total} &= \frac{Q_{Recovered}}{Q_{Input}} \\ &= \frac{Q_{Recovered}}{(W_{SupplyFan} + W_{ExhaustFan} + W_{WheelMotor})} \\ &= \frac{\varepsilon \times m_{Min} \times (\eta_{SupEnt} - \eta_{ExhEnt})}{(+W_{SupplyFan} + W_{ExhaustFan} + W_{WheelMotor})} \end{aligned}$$

Where:

RER_{Total}	=	Recovery efficiency ratio, total energy basis, Btu per watt hour
ε	=	Recovery device effectiveness
η_{SupEnt}	=	Supply air entering enthalpy, Btu/lb
η_{ExhEnt}	=	Exhaust air entering enthalpy, Btu/lb
m_{Min}	=	Minimum of the two mass flow rates associated with the wheel (m_{Sup} and m_{Exh})
m_{Sup}	=	Supply mass flow rate, lb/hr
m_{Exh}	=	Exhaust mass flow rate, lb/hr
$W_{SupplyFan}$	=	Supply fan energy, watts
$W_{ExhaustFan}$	=	Exhaust fan energy, watts
$W_{WheelMotor}$	=	Wheel (or other power consuming recovery device) motor energy, watts



Heat Pumps and Design Phase Cx (3rd Module)



Recall That There Are Grades of Heat

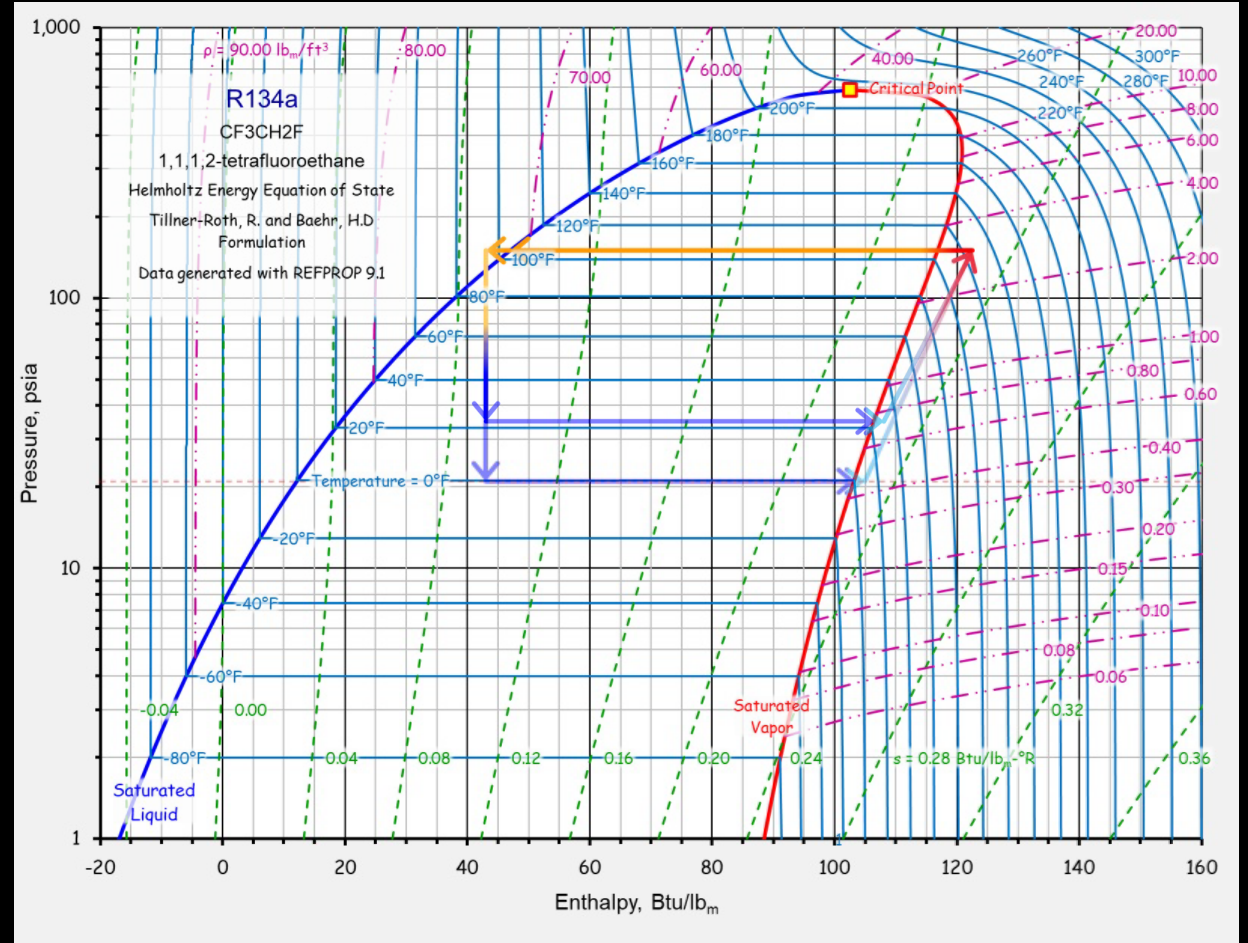
Heat

- Energy in motion; the amount of energy flowing from one object to another due to their temperature difference
- There are grades of heat
 - High – Temperature greater than $650^{\circ}\text{C}/1,202^{\circ}\text{F}$
 - Medium – Temperatures between 200°C and $650^{\circ}\text{C}/392^{\circ}\text{F}$ and $1,202^{\circ}\text{F}$
 - Low – Temperatures below $200^{\circ}\text{C}/392^{\circ}\text{F}$
- Low grade heat is harder to make use of

Recall How Lift Impacts Heat Pump Performance

Big source to sink temperature differentials mean:

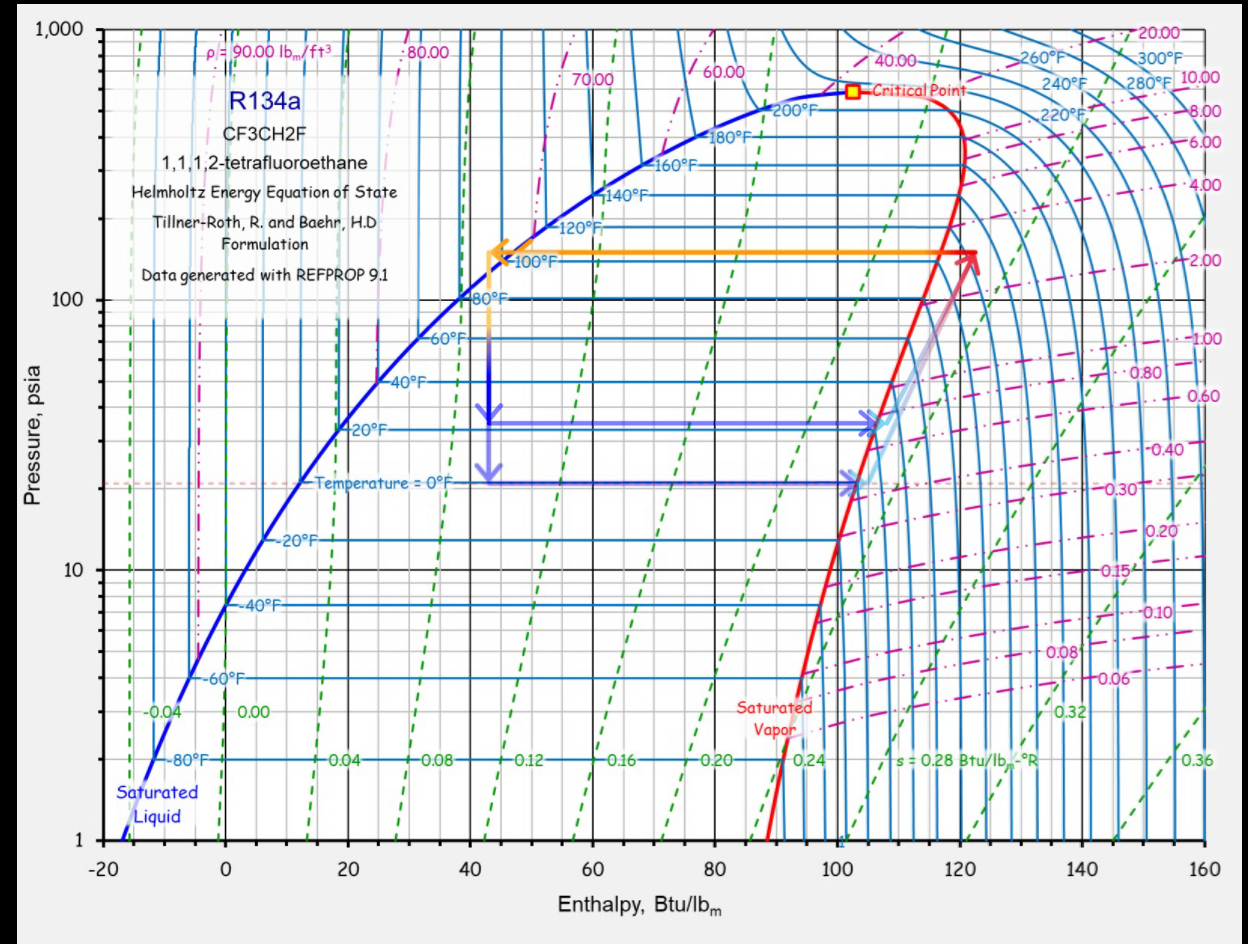
- More energy expended per Btu of energy moved



Recall How Lift Impacts Heat Pump Performance

Big source to sink temperature differentials mean:

- For air source heat pumps, the ease of recovering energy drops off as the need for recovered energy increases



The Ideal Heat Pump Application

Energy Available to Recover from Facility Internal Gains

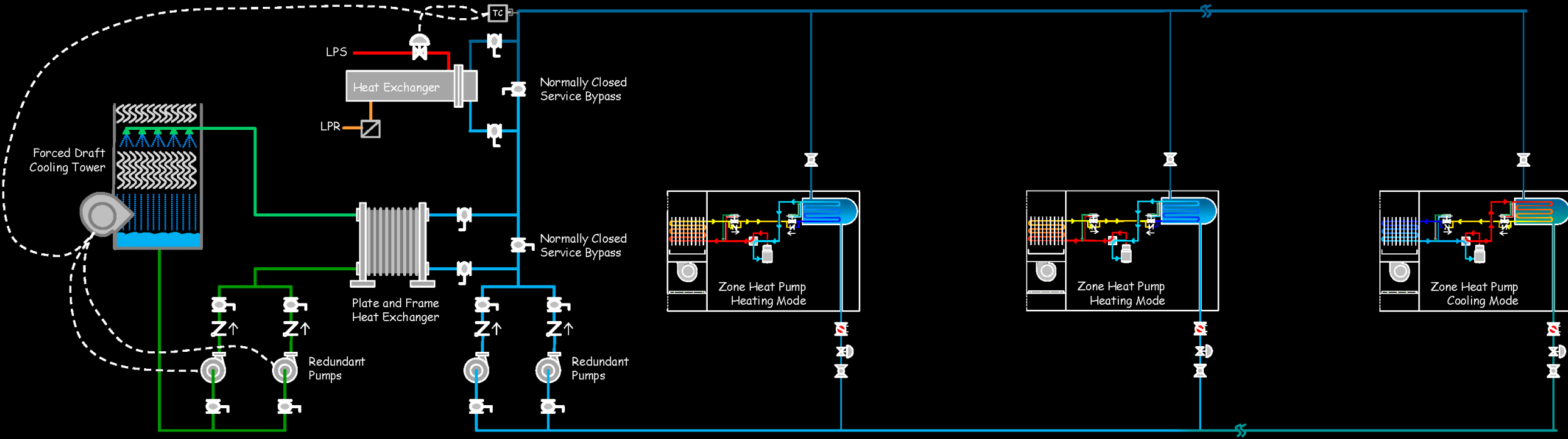
And/Or

An Alternative Energy Source that is not Extremely Cold

And

Loads that can Use Low Grade Heat

Considering a Water Source Heat Pump Loop



Water Source Heat Pump Loop

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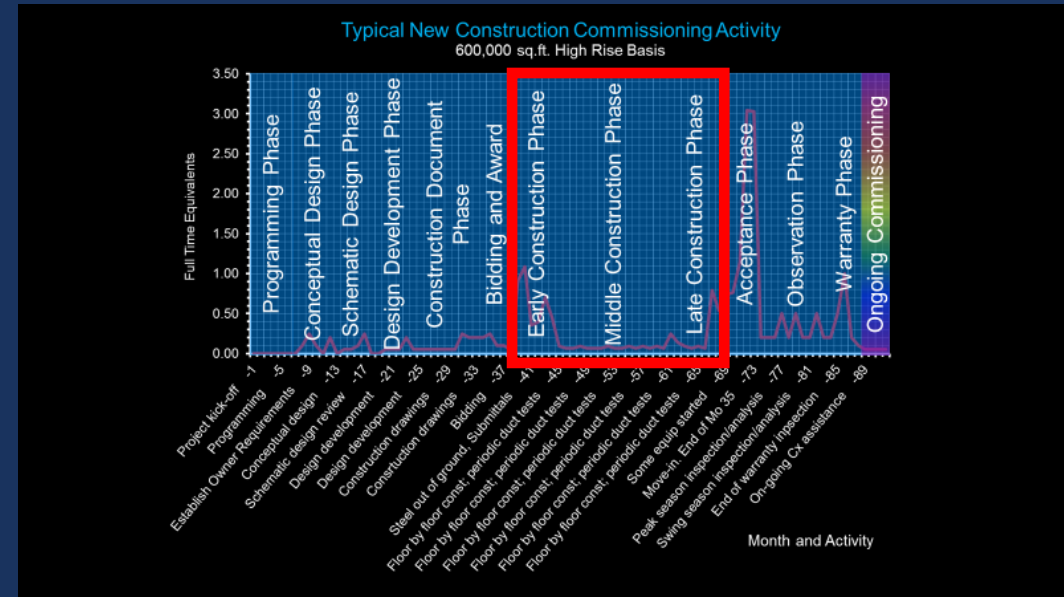
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Heat Pump Application Bottom Lines

1. There has to be heat to recover
2. Design phase is the time to recognize the impacts of load profile
3. Design phase is the time to understand the equipment performance characteristics
4. Design phase is the time to think about how you will operate the system and ensure the persistence of any energy efficiency benefits
5. Design phase is the time to “think outside the box”



Heat Pumps and Construction Observation (3rd Module)

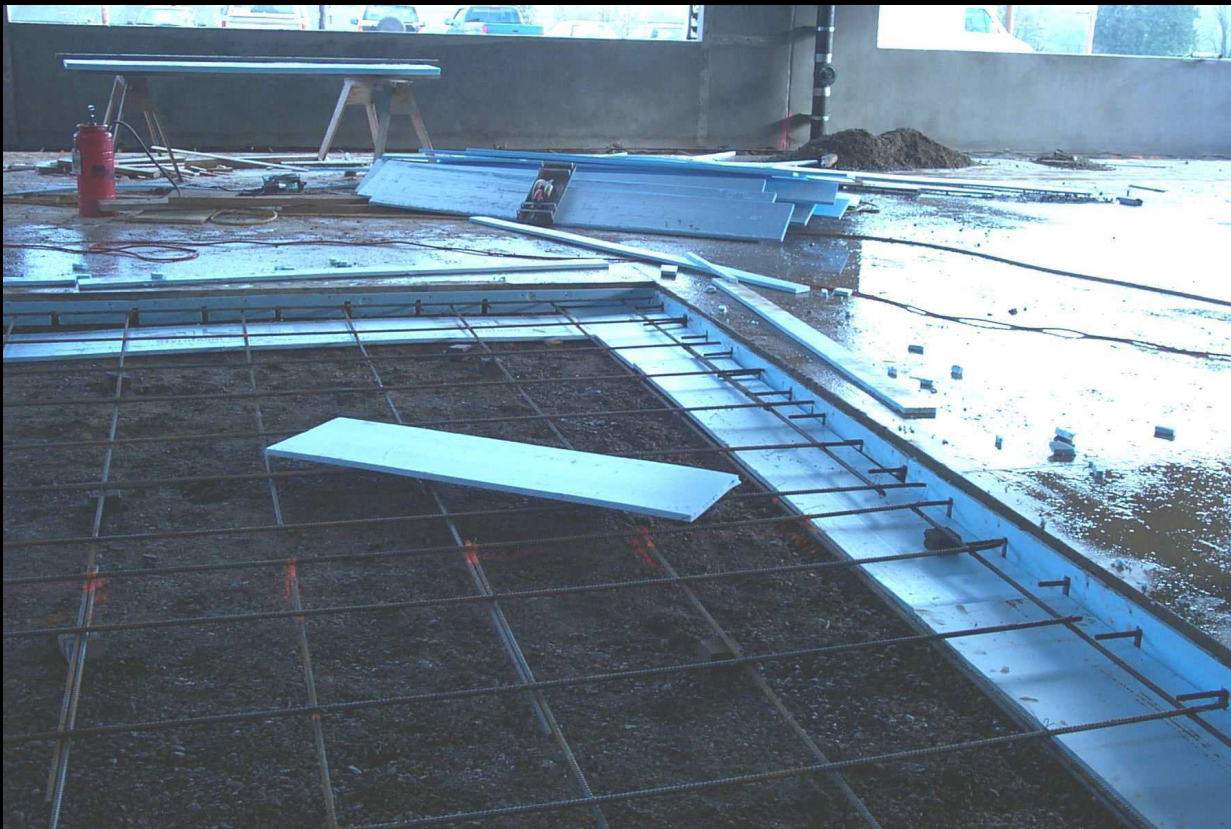


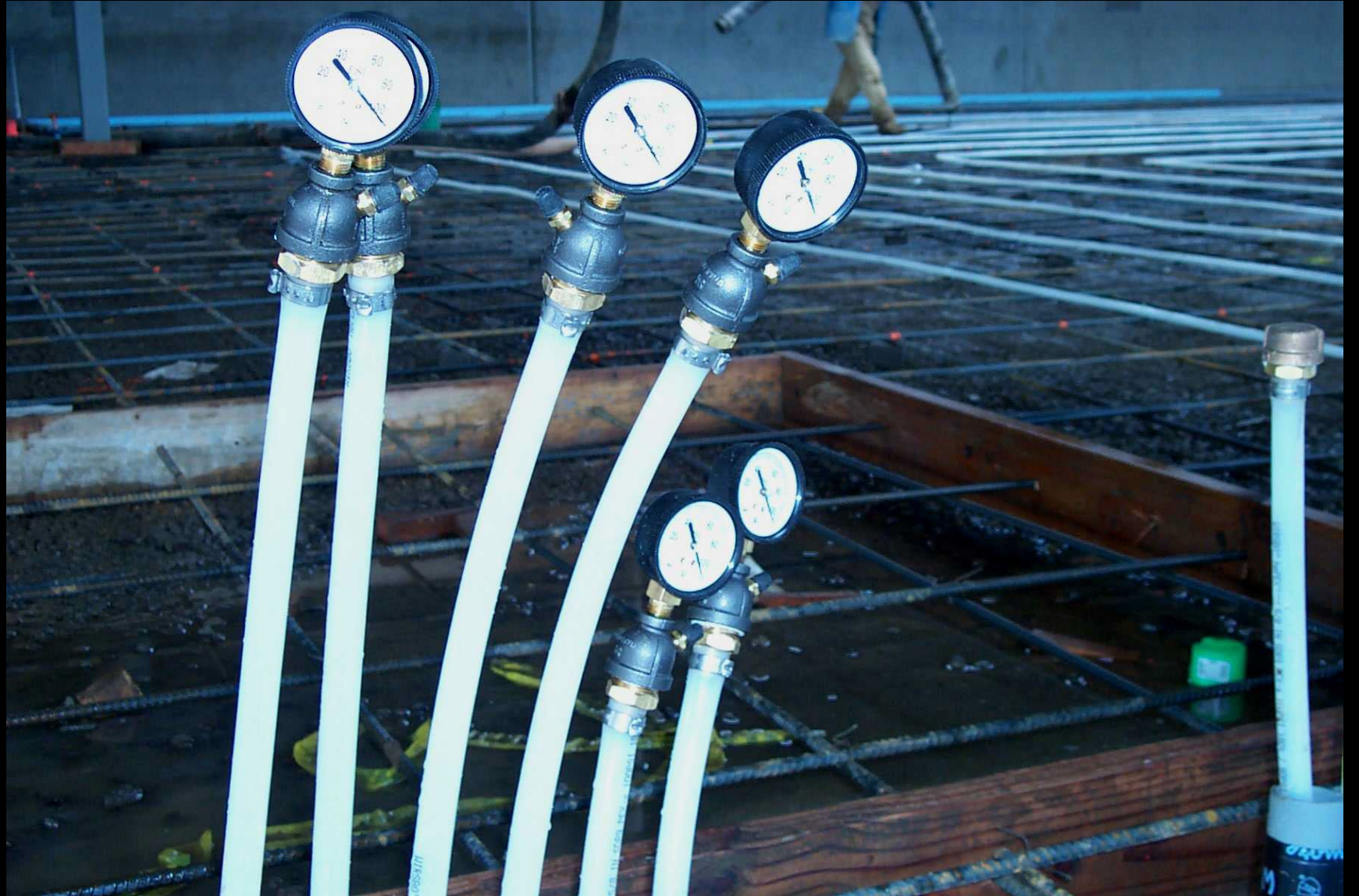
Refrigerant Piping Installation Practices

Refrigerant piping installation practice critical to short and long term system integrity

- General requirements no different from those employed with any built-up refrigeration system
- Details associated with R410 systems may vary from standard practice in the field at this point in time

Problems Can Become Cast in Stone

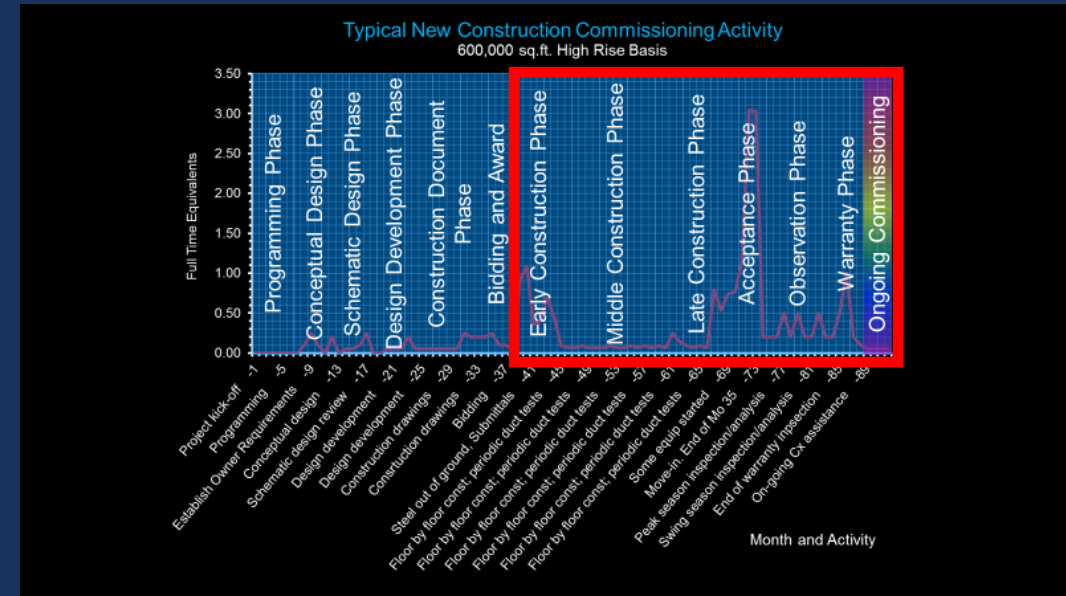




Bottom Lines

1. Construction observation targets are directly related to the technology that is being applied
2. The things you are looking for during construction for a VRF heat pump system are no different than what you would look for if you were monitoring a built up refrigeration system serving a cooling only load
3. For water based systems, the things you would look for are no different than any other piping or pumping system
4. Air side targets are no different from any other air system

NCx Functional Testing (3rd Module)



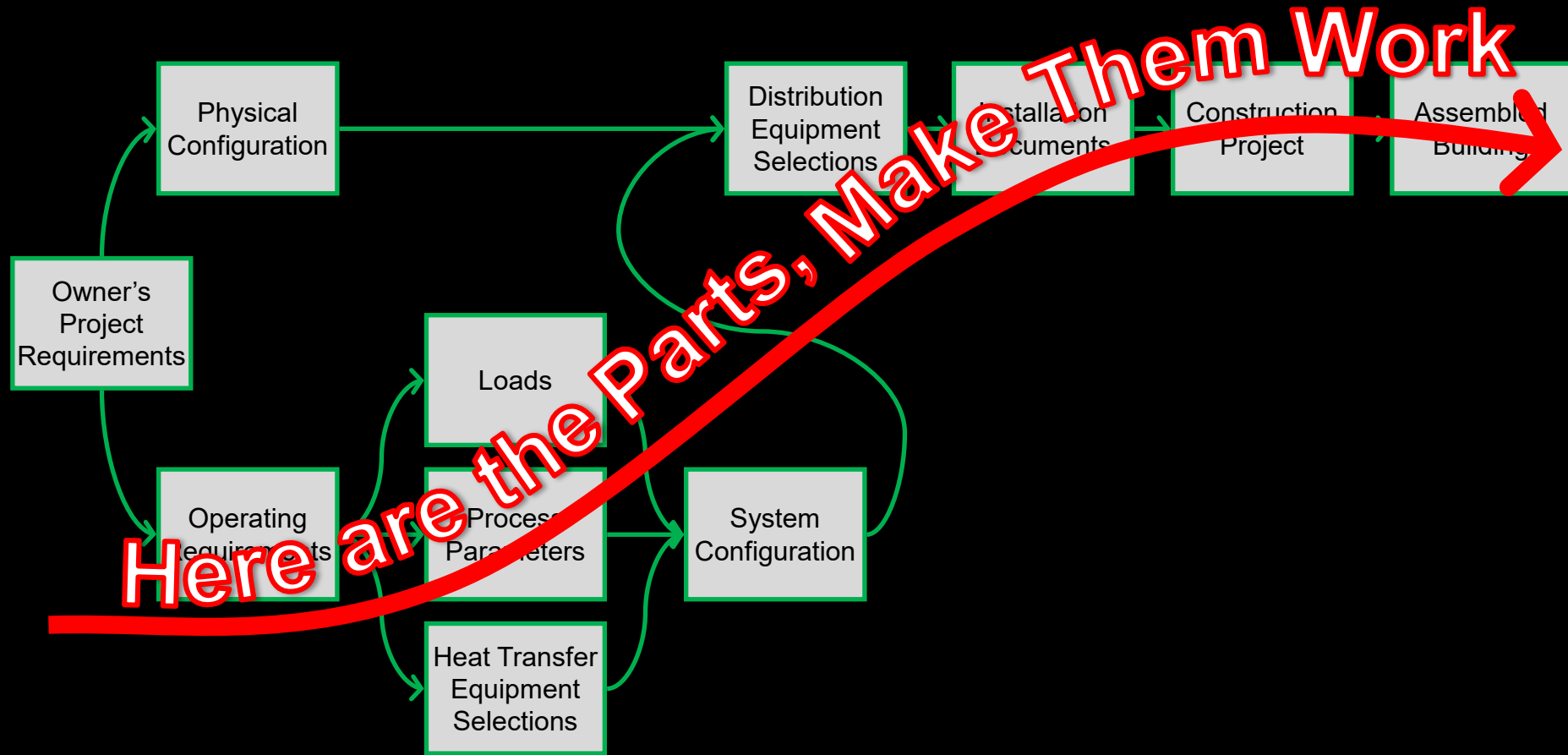
Functional Testing

- Core element of any commissioning process
- Validates machinery and systems
 - Do they deliver?
 - Why don't they deliver?
 - Do the work well together?
 - Why aren't they working well together
 - Was it big enough?
 - How big should it be?

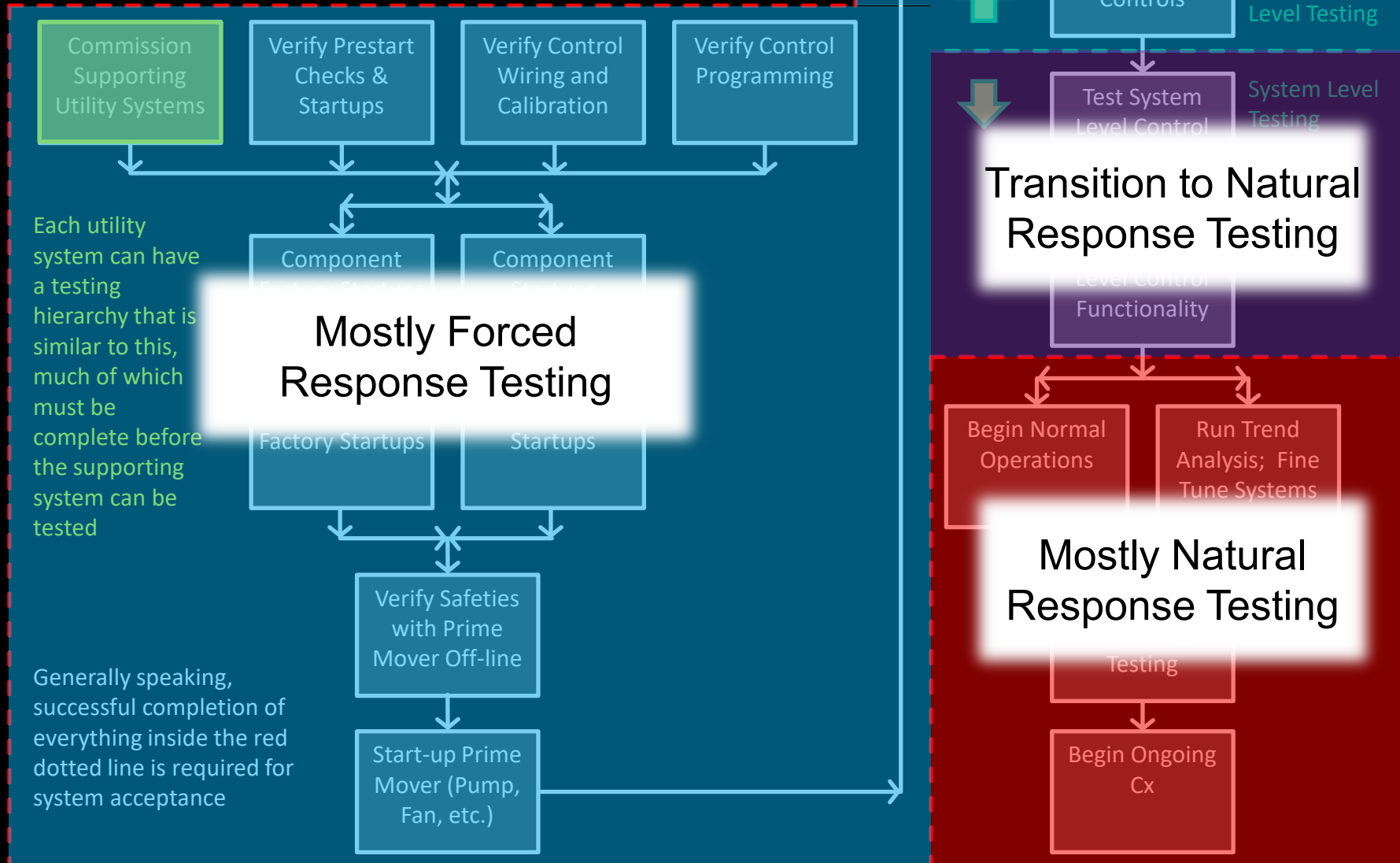
Functional Testing

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- **Validates machinery and systems for an NCx Process**
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 - Was it big enough?

Functional Testing as it Relates to the Metrics of the Systems We Test – New Construction Perspective



Testing Hierarchy; More than Balancing Man Power



Each utility system can have a testing hierarchy that is similar to this, much of which must be complete before the supporting system can be tested

Generally speaking, successful completion of everything inside the red dotted line is required for system acceptance

Functional Testing

One of the ways we have a dialog with the building

How Do We Dialog with a Building?

We perform a functional test

Functional test components

- Statement of purpose
- Instructions for using the test form
- Equipment requirements
- Acceptance criteria
- Precautions
- Documentation
- Procedure
- Return to Normal and Follow-up

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UCB LeConte Hall MBCx
PreFunctional Test Procedures

Report generated on 9/1/2010 Report Filter For: , Units:Chilled Water System

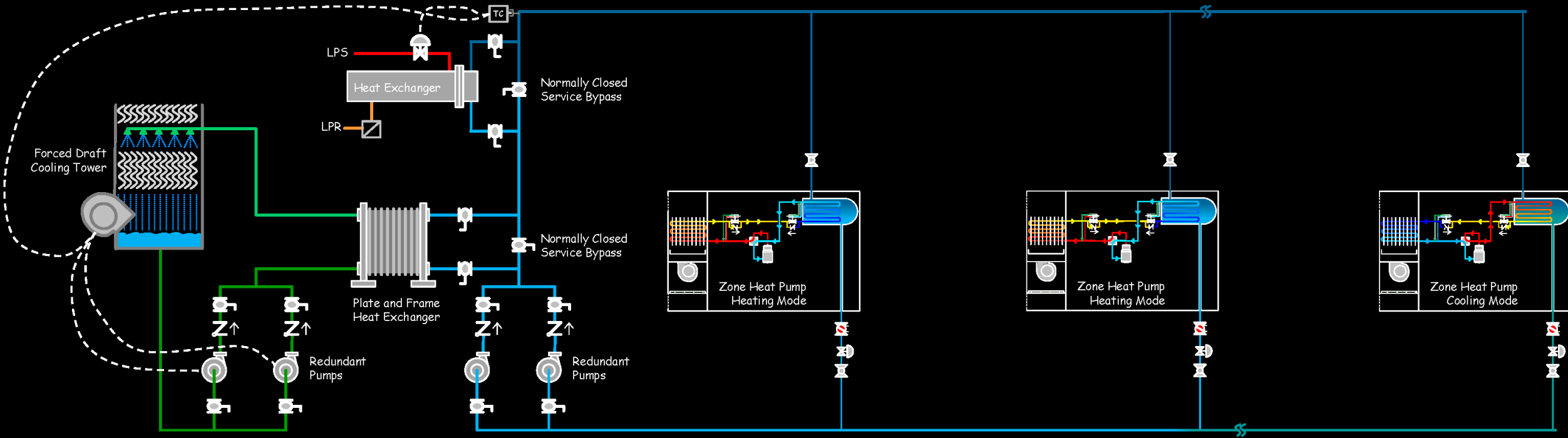
Chilled Water System (HVAC / Cooling)	OK?	Party	Initials
Chilled Water System			
RCx Thermal Flywheel	PreTest	1/12/2010 12:00:00 AM	Pass
TEST GOALS AND ASSUMPTIONS			
ASSUMPTIONS		Julia and I met with Elanor who took us over to the lab. We met with the lab staff and verified that we would not disrupt research by running the test. Chuck Frost and Mark Porter arrived and we reviewed the test procedure with everyone.	
For the purposes of functional testing, the following assumptions will be made regarding the Le Conte chilled water system and facility.			
1. Research activities are such that a loss of chilled water service will not adversely affect them should a problem occur during the test.			
Remarks: Noted that the lab fan coil units are in series with the reheat coils serving the zone, not stand-alone as we had thought. The lab is controlling the fan coil units and the fan coil units have variable speed drives that are running at minimum speed. The lab is seeing the same sort of zone temperature swing that we are seeing in the reheat coils, which they do not control.			
RCx Thermal Flywheel	PreTest	1/12/2010 12:00:00 AM	Pass
TEST GOALS			
1. To assess the thermal flywheel represented by the existing Le Conte chilled water system.			
2. To verify the minimum chilled water temperature that can be delivered by the chiller in a repeatable, reliable, robust manner.			
3. To determine the maximum chilled water temperature that can exist in the system before research activities will be impacted.			
4. To quantify the thermal flywheel represented by the system in terms of ton-hours based on the flow rate from our pump test and the logged temperature rise that occurs over the course of the test.			
Remarks:			
RCx Thermal Flywheel	PreTest	1/12/2010 12:00:00 AM	Pass
ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA			
1. This is an information gathering test and as such, there are no acceptance criteria.			
Remarks:			
RCx Thermal Flywheel	PreTest	1/12/2010 12:19:27 PM	Pass
GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS			
1. Review the recommended test sequence to prior to testing.			
2. Document all results as you proceed in the CACEA data base forms provided for the test.			
3. Review all decisions to deviate from the procedure or recommended test sequence with other team members prior to making the change. Note any changes made for future reference.			

<https://www.facilitydynamics.com/Projects/CLPrinterFriendly.aspx?IncludeParties=ALL&Exclude...> 9/1/2010



Commissioning the Water Source Heat Pump Loop (3rd Module)

Forced vs. Natural Response Testing



Water Source Heat Pump Loop

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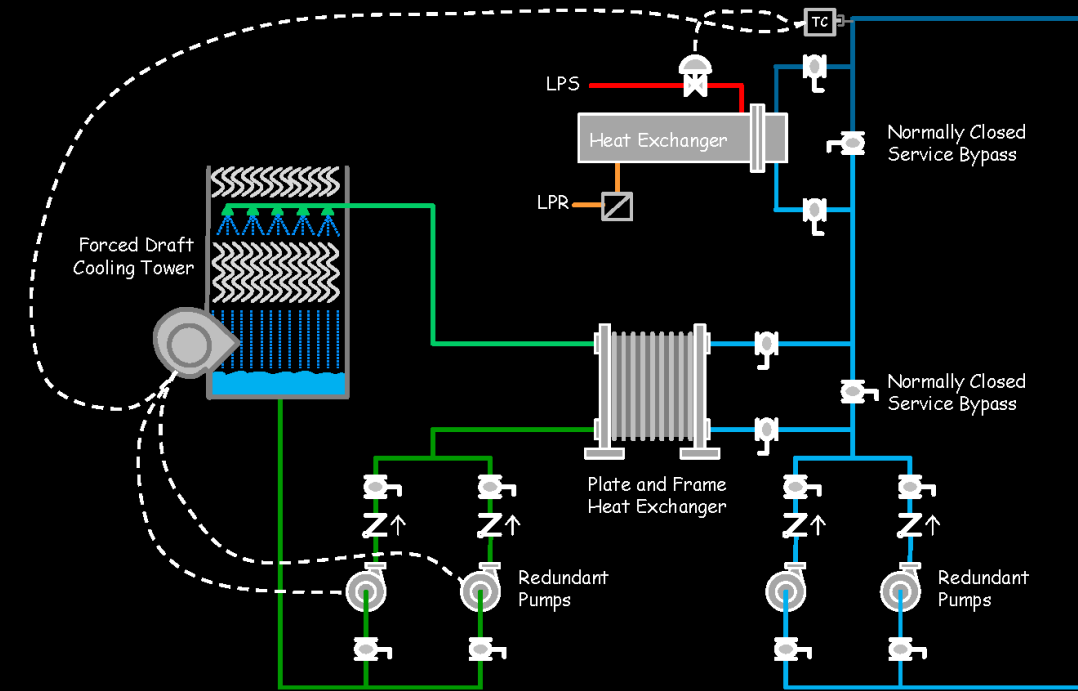
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Forced vs. Natural Response Testing

Forced Response Testing

- With the system stable at a 70°F supply temperature, and
- No heat being added by the heat exchanger, and
- Some heat being rejected by the cooling tower fan operating at low speed

I override the supply temperature input and make the system “think” the supply temperature has gone up to 80°F



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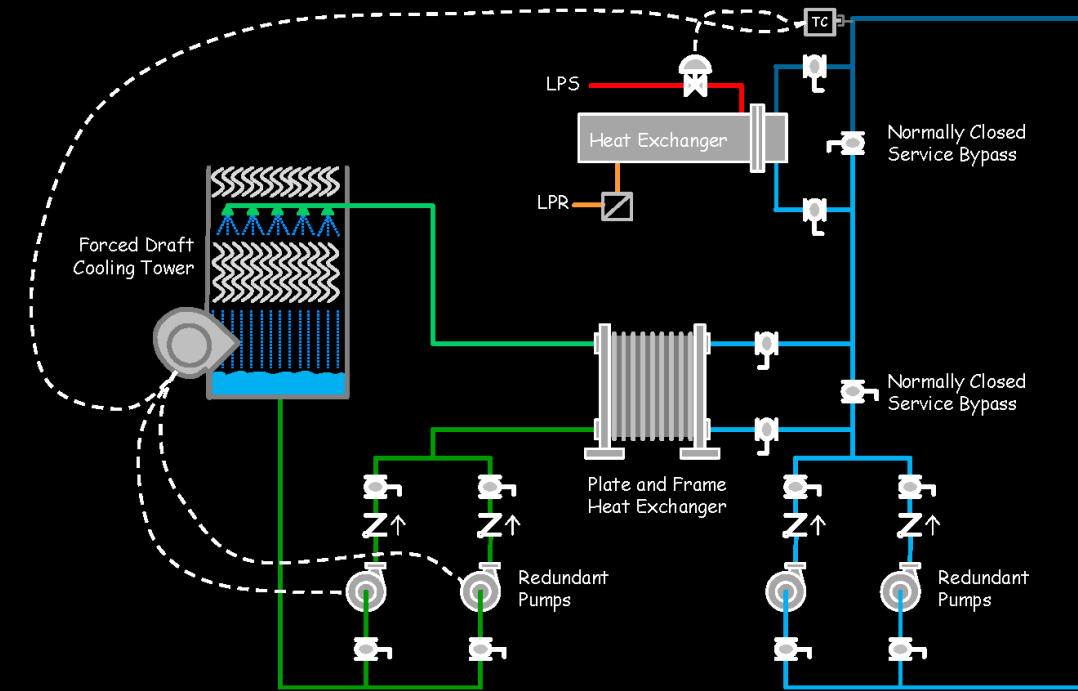
Forced vs. Natural Response Testing

Forced Response Testing

I Observe That:

- The heat exchanger valve remains closed
- The cooling tower fan speeds up to try to reject more heat and bring the temperature down to set point

I override the supply temperature input and make the system “think” the supply temperature has dropped up to 60°F (with a 70°F set point)



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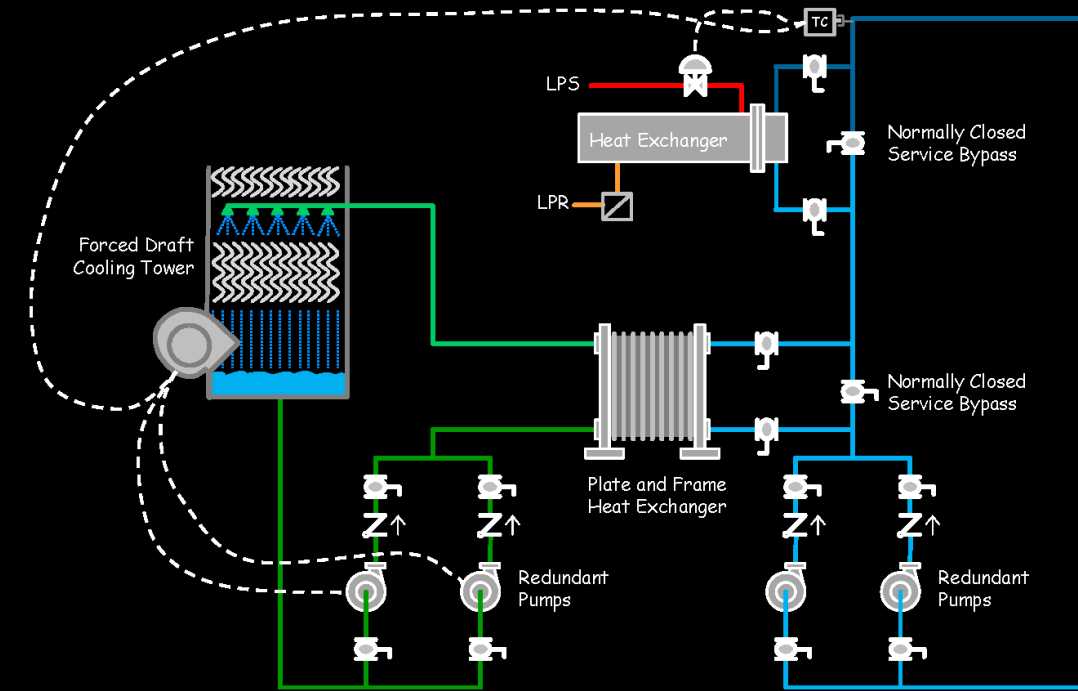
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Forced vs. Natural Response Testing

Forced Response Testing

I Observe That:

- The cooling tower fan speed is reduced, and then
- The fan is cycled off, and then
- The pumps are cycled off, and then
- The heat exchanger valve starts to modulate open to add heat to the system to bring it back up to set point



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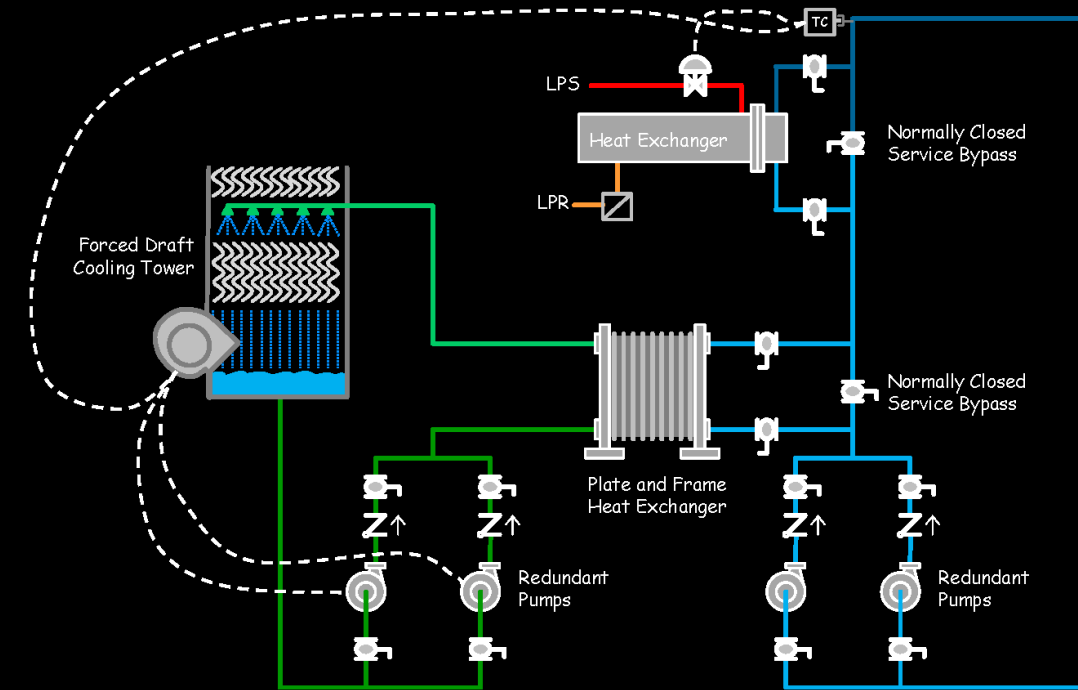
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Forced vs. Natural Response Testing

Natural Response Testing

- I pull trend data from the system for a day when the outdoor air temperature swung from 53 – 98°F



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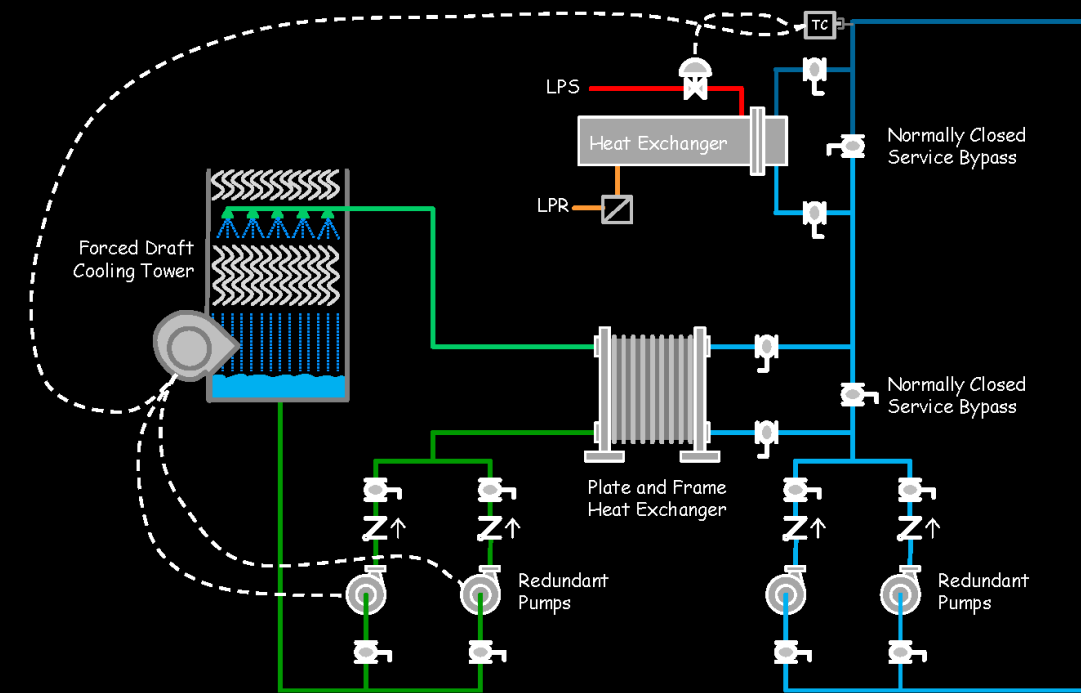
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Forced vs. Natural Response Testing

Natural Response Testing

I Observe That

- The heat exchanger adds heat if the loop temperature drops below set point, and
- The cooling tower rejects heat when the loop temperature rises above set point, and
- The heat exchanger is never active when the cooling tower is active, but
- The loop temperature is very unstable when there is a small load on the heat exchanger and,
- The cooling tower fan short cycles when the heat rejection requirement is modest



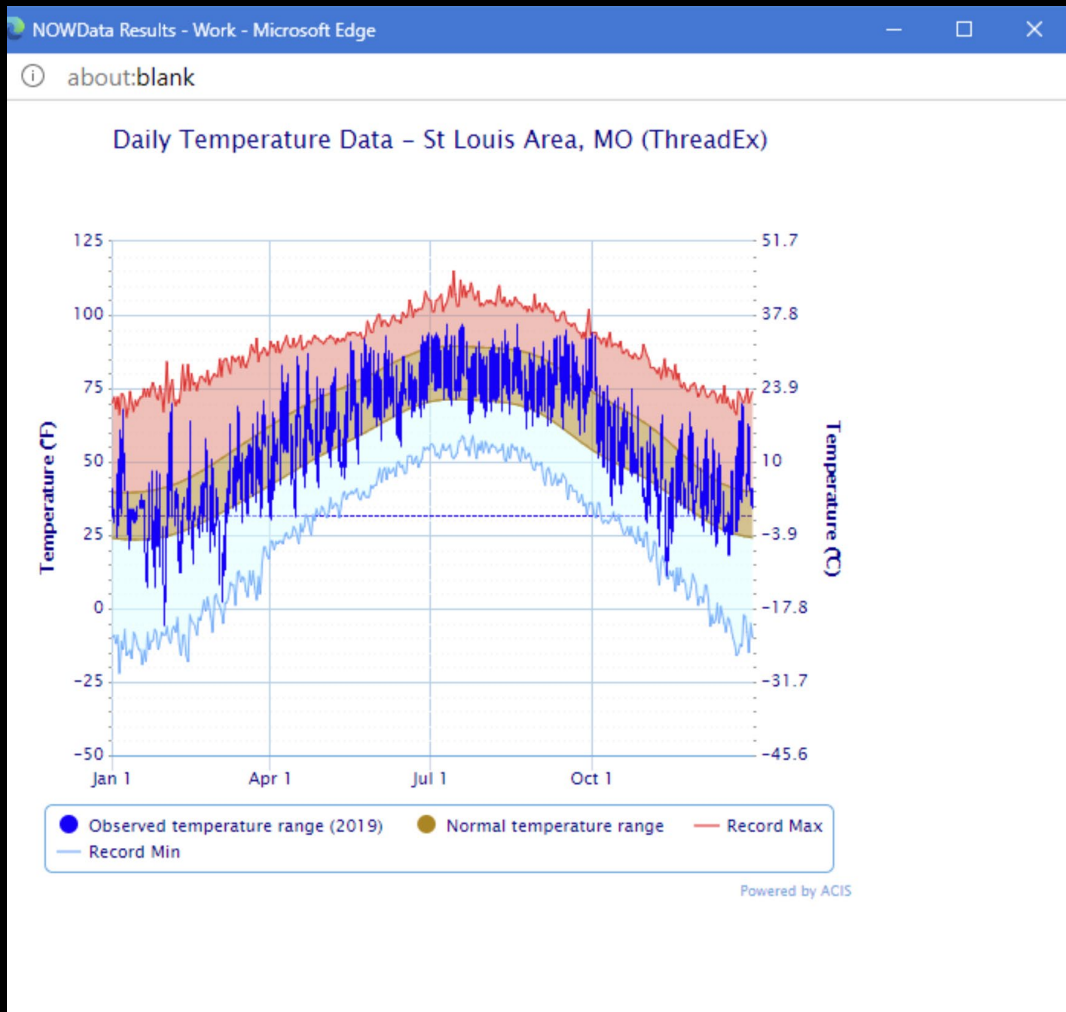
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Finding the Day You Want to Observe

<https://tinyurl.com/TMIAboutTMY>



TMI About TMY

This column explores where the weather data files we typically use for our energy projections come from.

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The spreadsheets below are referenced in the column and contrast different data types for the locations indicated.

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These links will take you to some of the weather data resources behind the spreadsheet and discussions in the article.

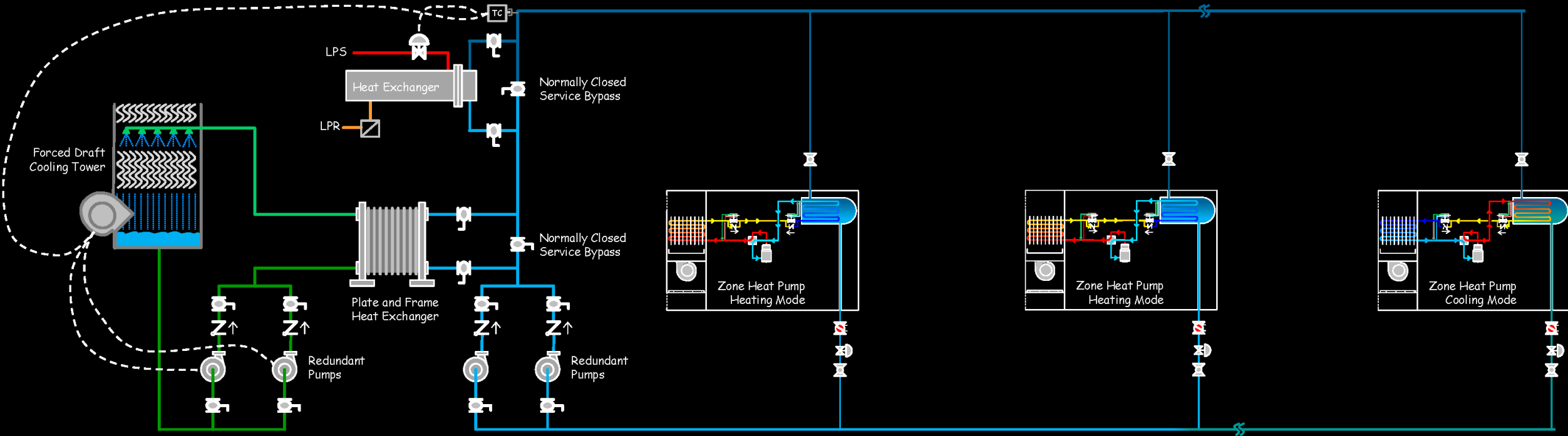
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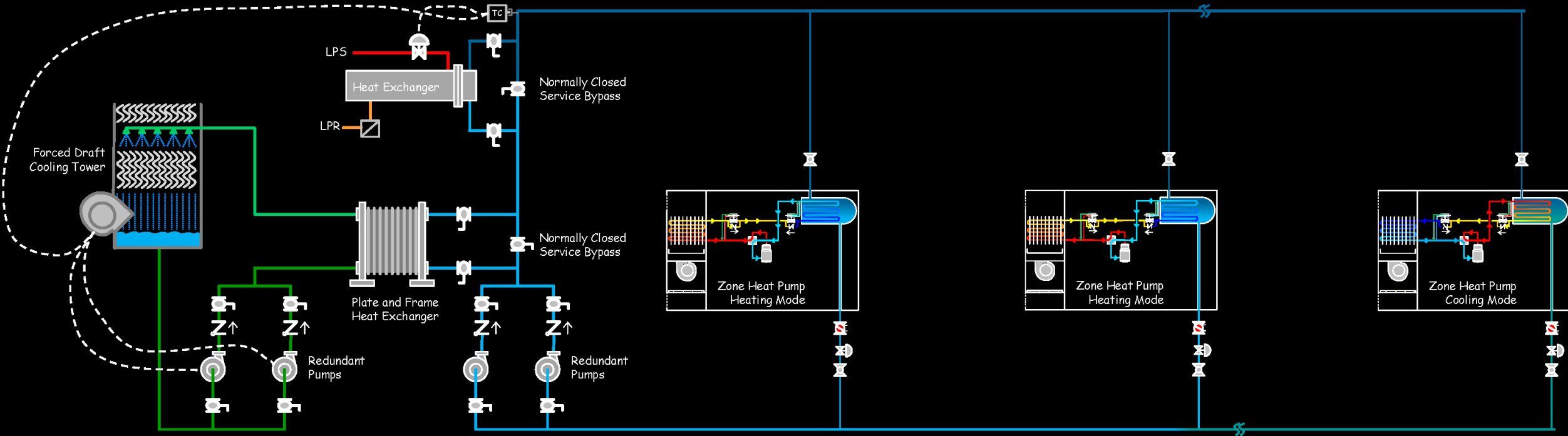
A Question For You

What would be the best order for starting up the water source heat pump loop shown below?



Yet Another Question For You

What resources would you use to develop your prefunctional and functional tests?



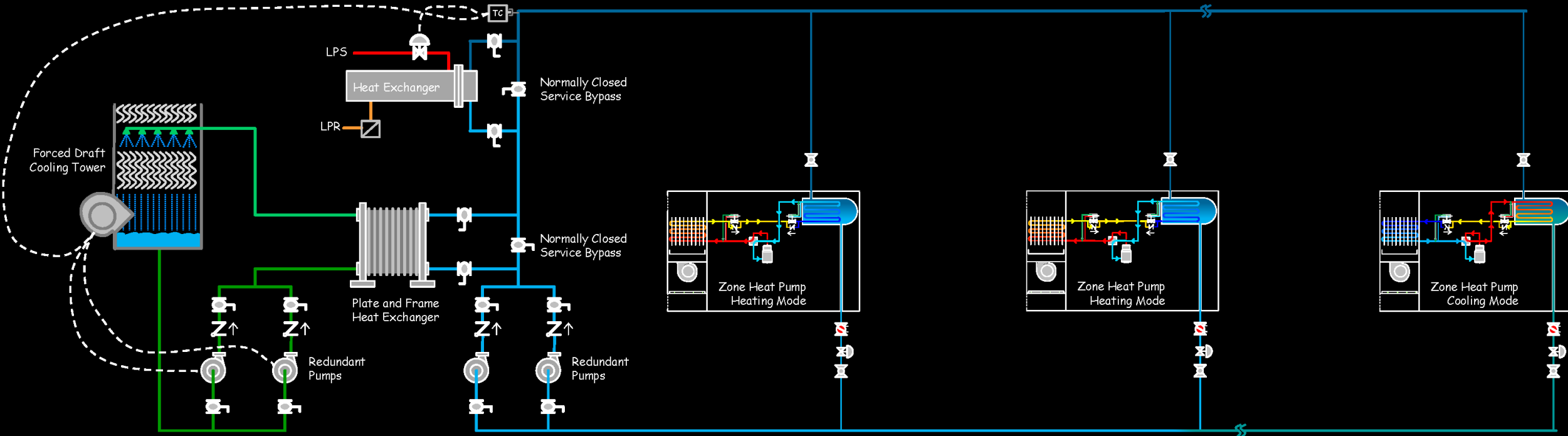
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Yet Another Question For You

What should the targets be for functional tests that will verify proper integrated operation of the system and all of its components?





EBCx Commissioning Process (Today's Topic)

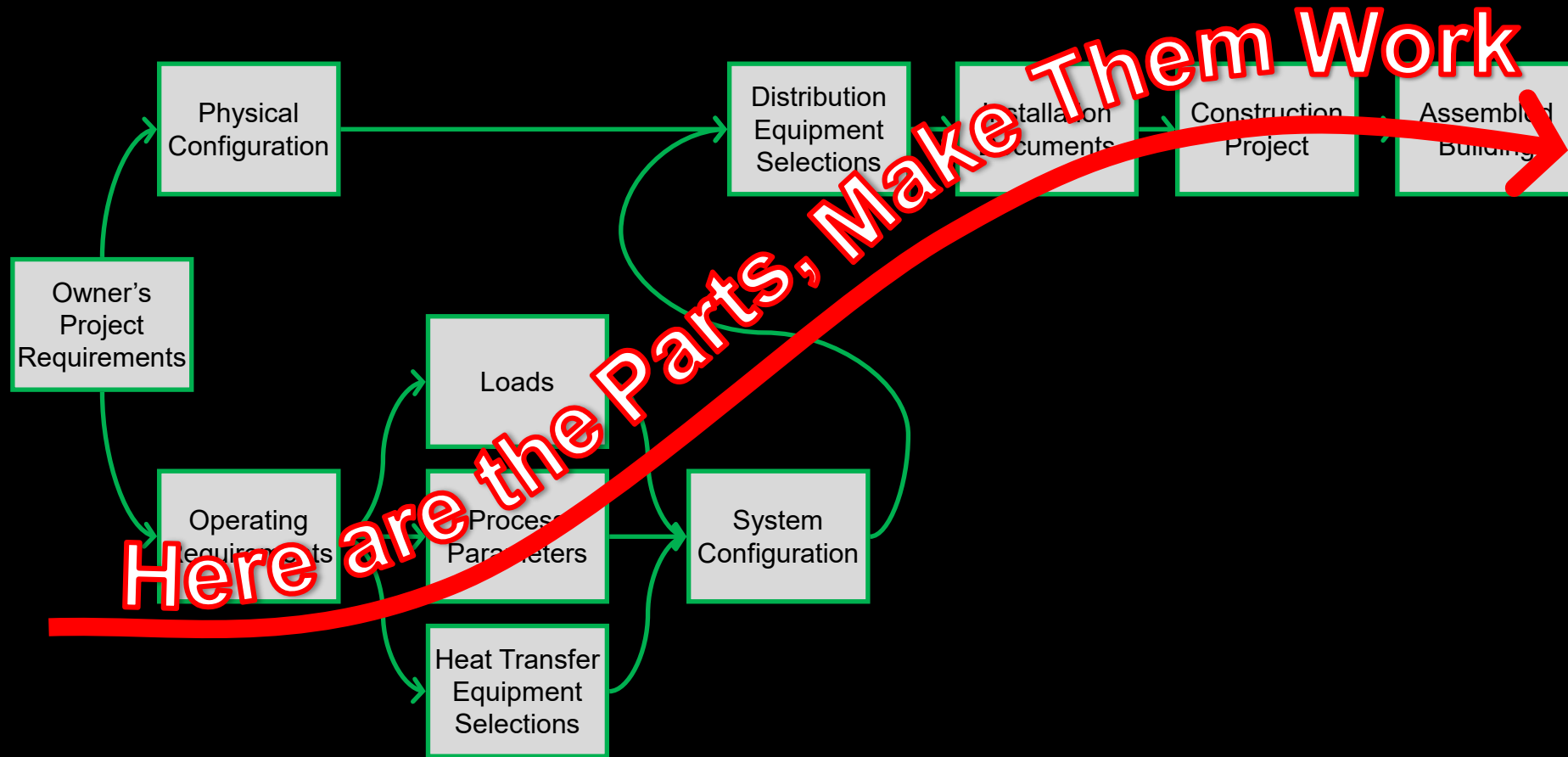
EBCx Commissioning Phases

- Scoping
 - Benchmarking and utility analysis
 - Site Visit
 - Start to learn the facility
 - Look for obvious indicators
- Investigation
 - Data logging and trend analysis
 - Functional testing
 - Cost/benefit analysis
- Implementation
 - Make improvements based on the results of investigation
 - Owner vetted
- Verification
 - Make sure things work as expected
 - Make sure targeted savings are delivered
 - A mini new construction commissioning process

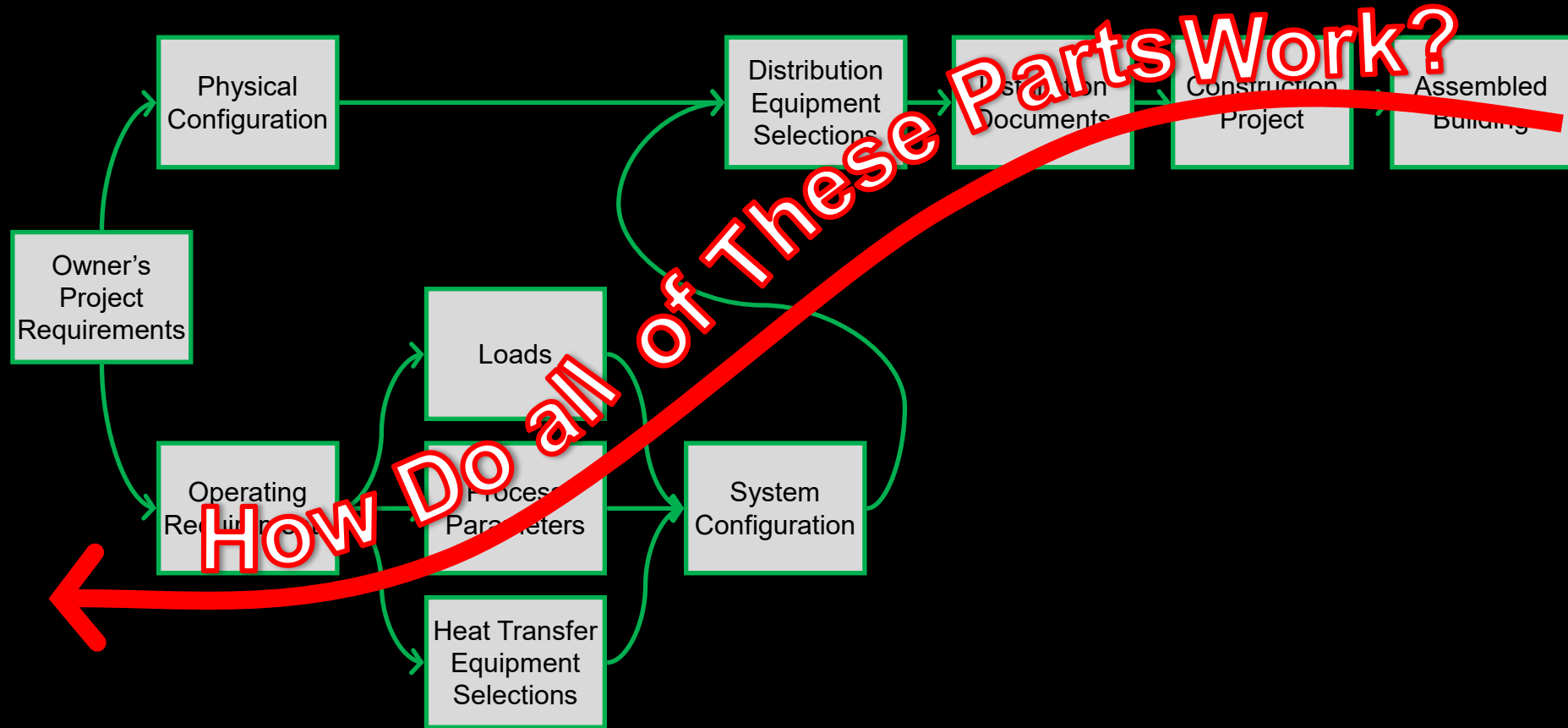


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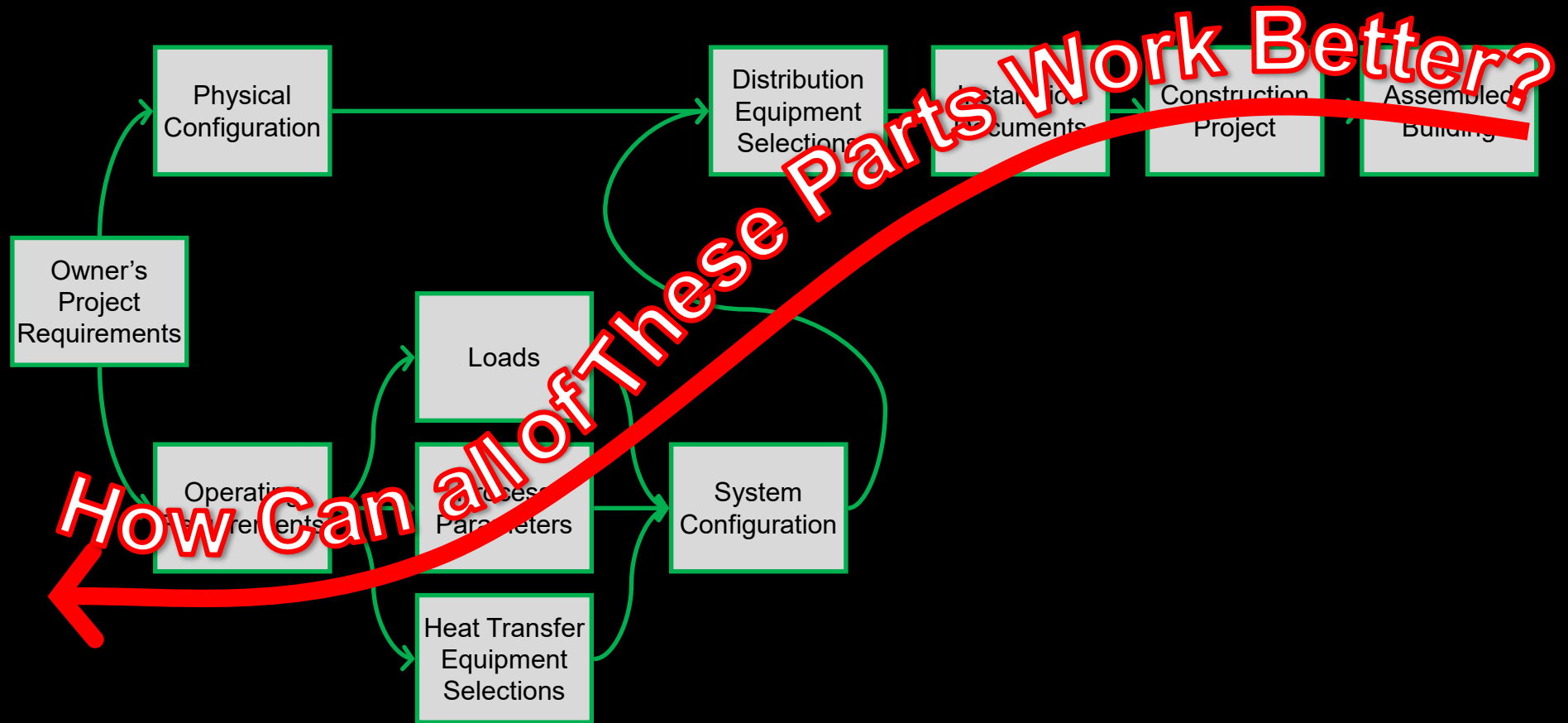
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Functional Testing as it Relates to the Metrics of the Systems We Test – Existing Building Perspective



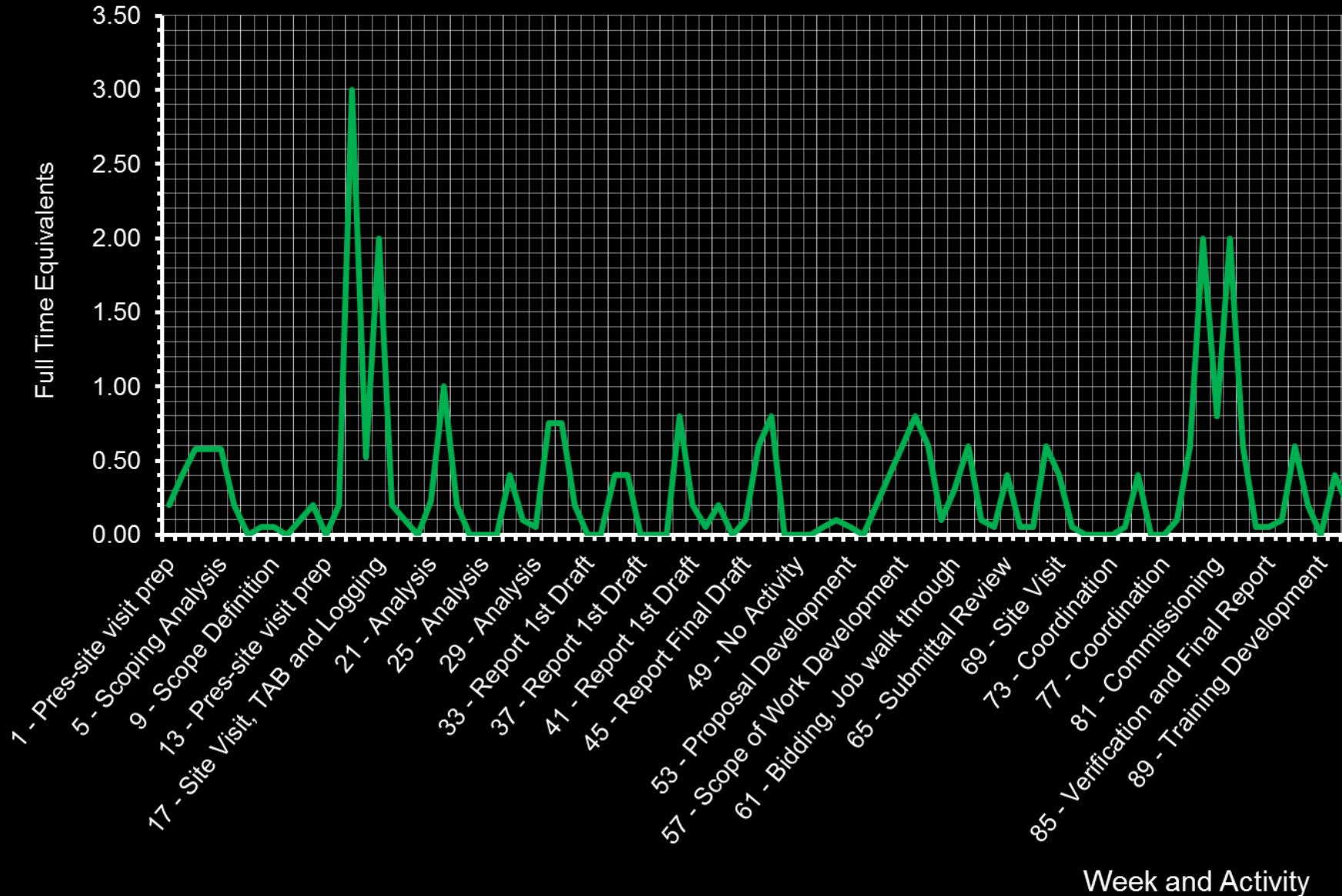
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Functional Testing as it Relates to the Project Timeline

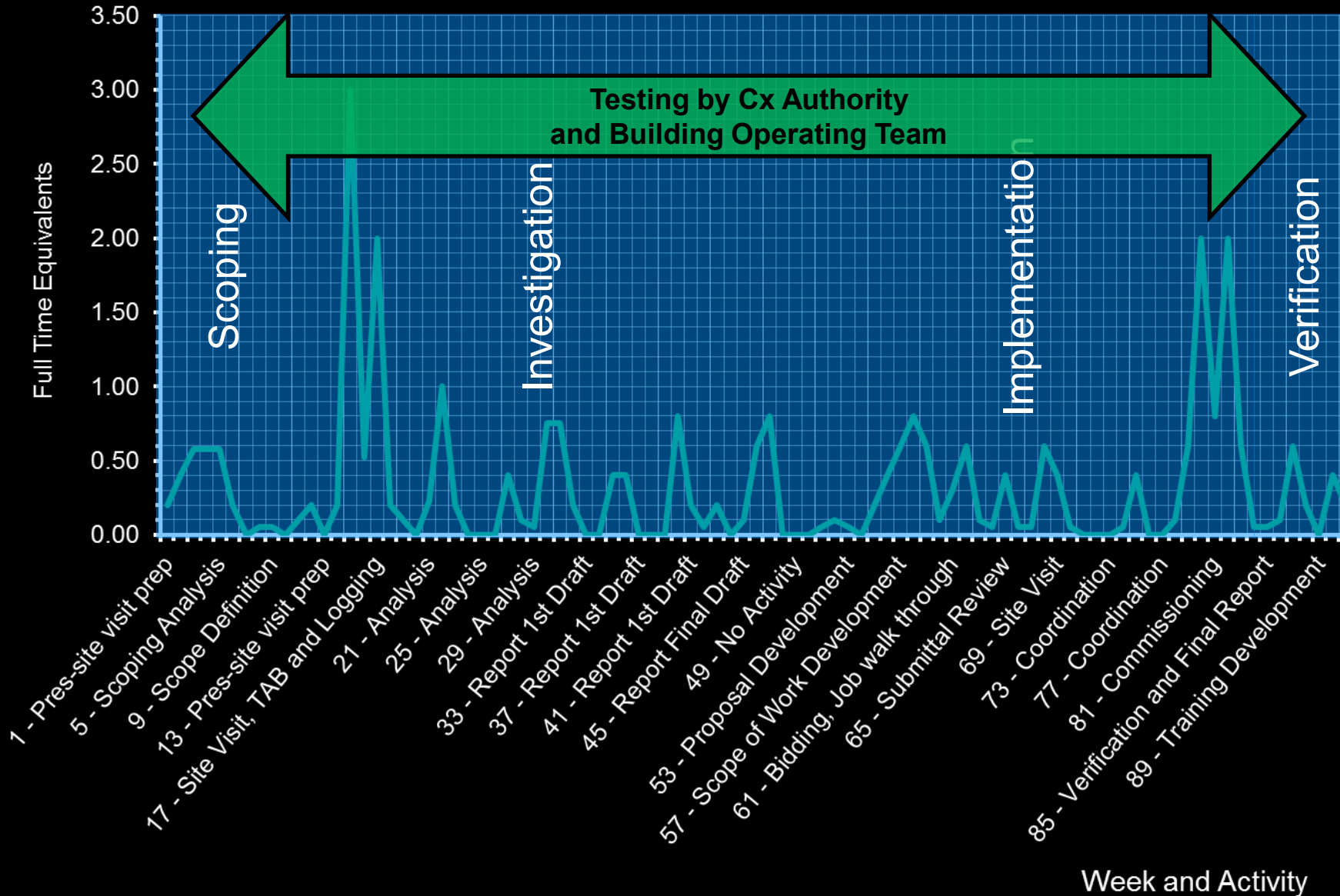
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750,000 sq.ft. Hospital Basis



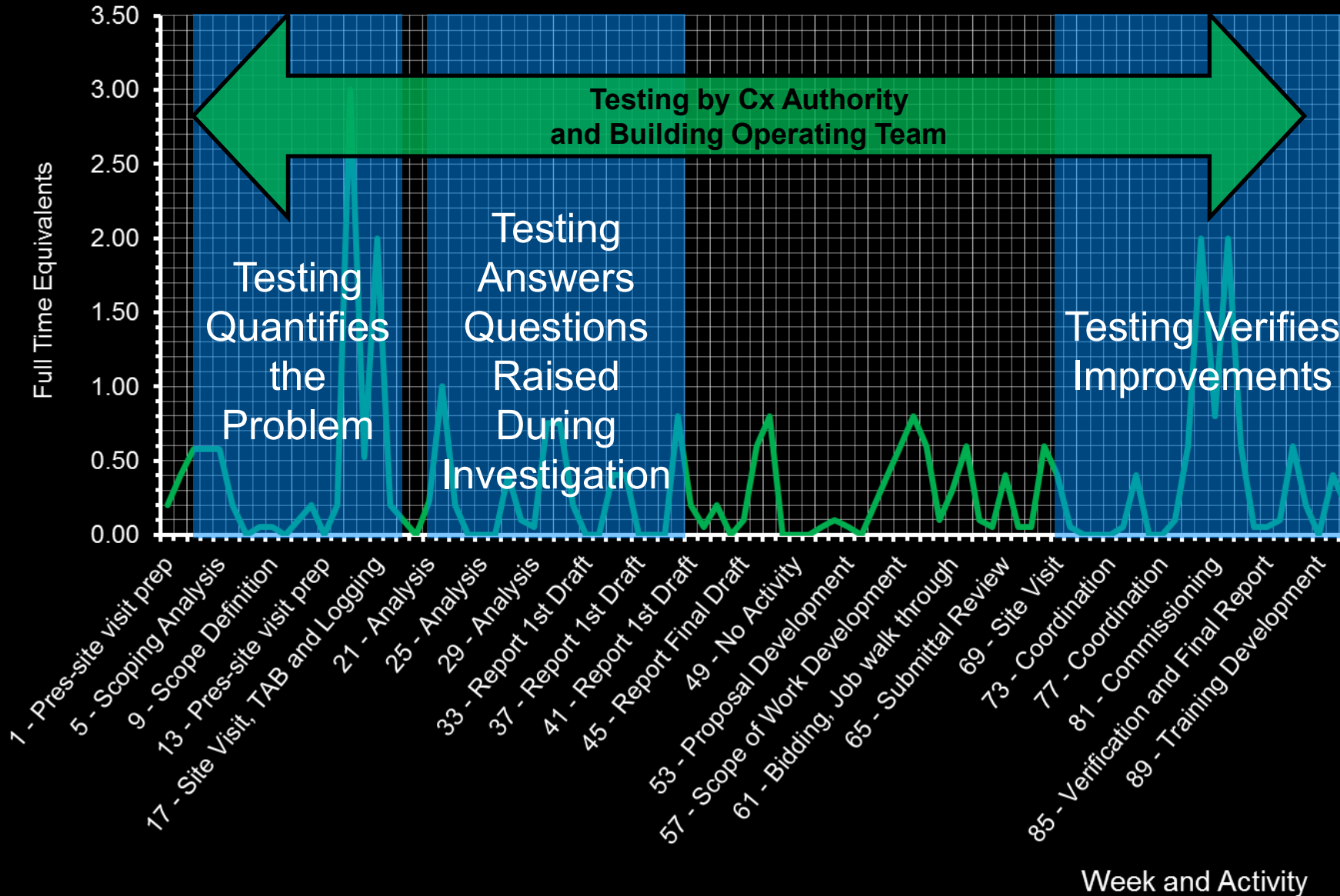
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New Construction versus EBCx Testing

New Construction

- Trying to prove design intent
- Demonstrate all elements of the system meet requirements
- Verification and quality assurance process

EBCx

- Trying to understand design intent
- Focused on certain elements of the system
- Diagnostic and troubleshooting process

Functional Testing

One of the ways we have a dialog with the building

How Do We Dialog with a Building?

We perform a functional test

Functional test components

- Statement of purpose
- Instructions for using the test form
- Equipment requirements
- Acceptance criteria
- Precautions
- Documentation
- Procedure
- Return to Normal and Follow-up
- <https://tinyurl.com/CHWFlywheelTest>



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Facility Dynamics
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UCB LeConte Hall MBCx
PreFunctional Test Procedures

Report generated on 9/1/2010 Report Filter For: , Units:Chilled Water System

Chilled Water System (HVAC / Cooling)	OK?	Party	Initials
Chilled Water System			
RCx Thermal Flywheel	PreTest	1/12/2010 12:00:00 AM	Pass
TEST GOALS AND ASSUMPTIONS			
ASSUMPTIONS			
For the purposes of functional testing, the following assumptions will be made regarding the Le Conte chilled water system and facility.			
1. Research activities are such that a loss of chilled water service will not adversely affect them should a problem occur during the test.			
Remarks:			
Noted that the labs fan coil units are in series with the reheat coils serving the zone, not stand-alone as we had thought. The lab is controlling the fan coil units and the fan coil units have variable speed drives that are running at minimum speed. The lab is seeing the same sort of zone temperature swing that we are seeing in the reheat coils, which they do not control.			
RCx Thermal Flywheel	PreTest	1/12/2010 12:00:00 AM	Pass
TEST GOALS			
1. To assess the thermal flywheel represented by the existing Le Conte chilled water system.			
2. To verify the minimum chilled water temperature that can be delivered by the chiller in a repeatable, reliable, robust manner.			
3. To determine the maximum chilled water temperature that can exist in the system before research activities will be impacted.			
4. To quantify the thermal flywheel represented by the system in terms of ton-hours based on the flow rate from our pump test and the logged temperature rise that occurs over the course of the test.			
Remarks:			
RCx Thermal Flywheel	PreTest	1/12/2010 12:00:00 AM	Pass
ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA			
1. This is an information gathering test and as such, there are no acceptance criteria.			
Remarks:			
RCx Thermal Flywheel	PreTest	1/12/2010 12:19:27 PM	Pass
GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS			
1. Review the recommended test sequence to prior to testing.			
2. Document all results as you proceed in the CACSA data base forms provided for the test.			
3. Review all decisions to deviate from the procedure or recommended test sequence with other team members prior to making the change. Note any changes made for future reference.			

<https://www.facilitydynamics.com/Projects/CLPrinterFriendly.aspx?IncludeParties=ALL&Exclude...> 9/1/2010

The Real Trick

Figuring out what to ask

Figuring Out What to Ask for New Construction Projects

General Goal - NCx

Validate the machinery and systems

1. Do the systems deliver?
2. Do the systems work well together?
3. Was the machine big enough?

Figuring Out What to Ask for Existing Building Projects

General Goal EBCx

Troubleshooting, Diagnostics, Data Gathering for Investigation and Analysis

1. Do the systems deliver?
2. Do the systems work well together?
3. Was the machine big enough?

Figuring Out What to Ask for New Construction Projects

General Goal EBCx

Troubleshooting, Diagnostics, Data Gathering for Investigation and Analysis

1. Why don't the systems deliver?
2. Do the systems work well together?
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Resources

- The design documents
- Manufacturers literature
- The control system design narrative and logic diagrams

This could be different from the information on the vendor control drawings!

- The Functional Testing Guide
<https://tinyurl.com/FTGBlogPost>
- Your knowledge and experience





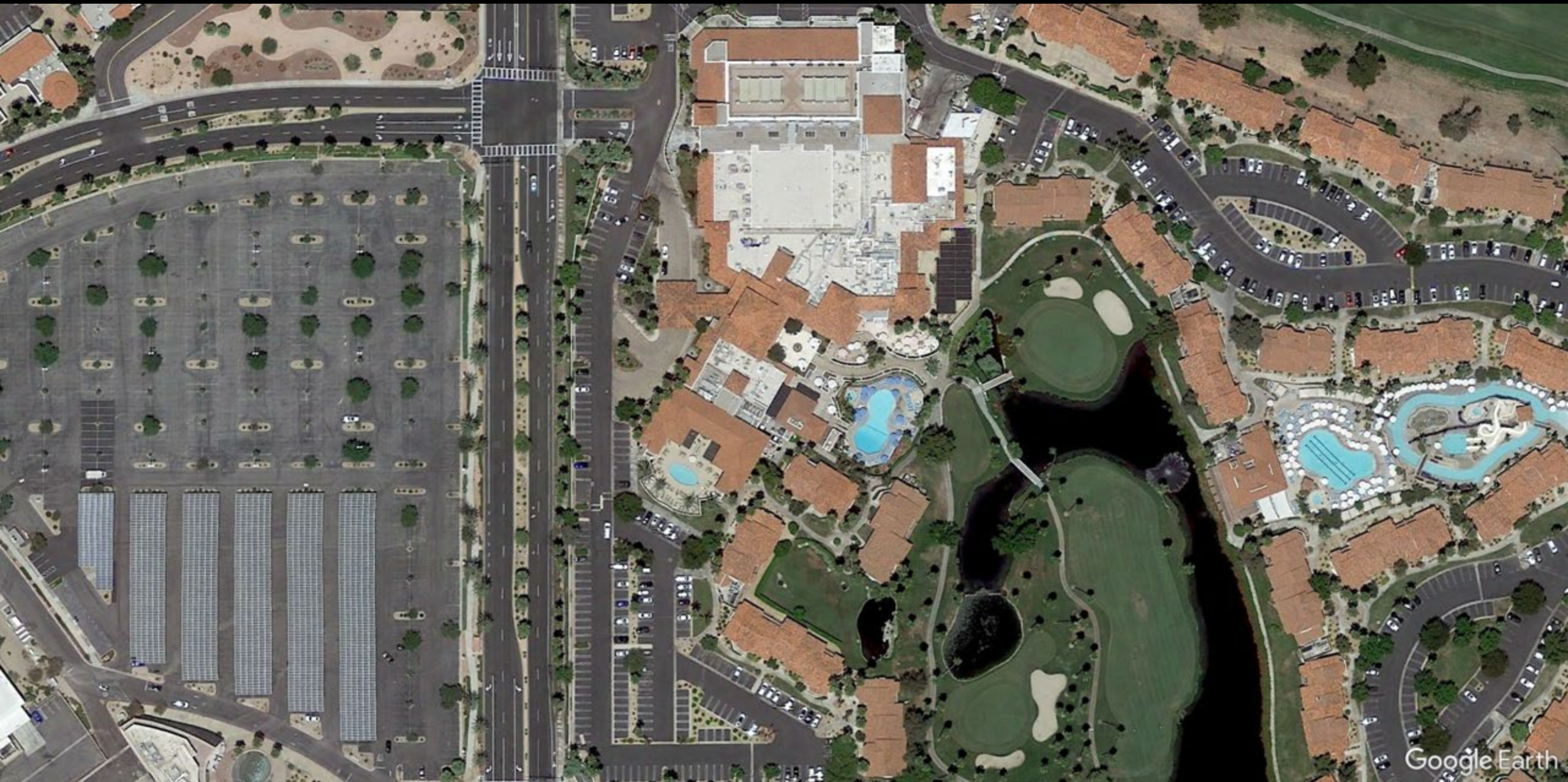
Gaining Some Experience

Focusing on an Existing System

A Hospitality Industry Campus Style Location

- Palm Springs, CA
- North is towards the top of the image
- Focusing on the guest room buildings

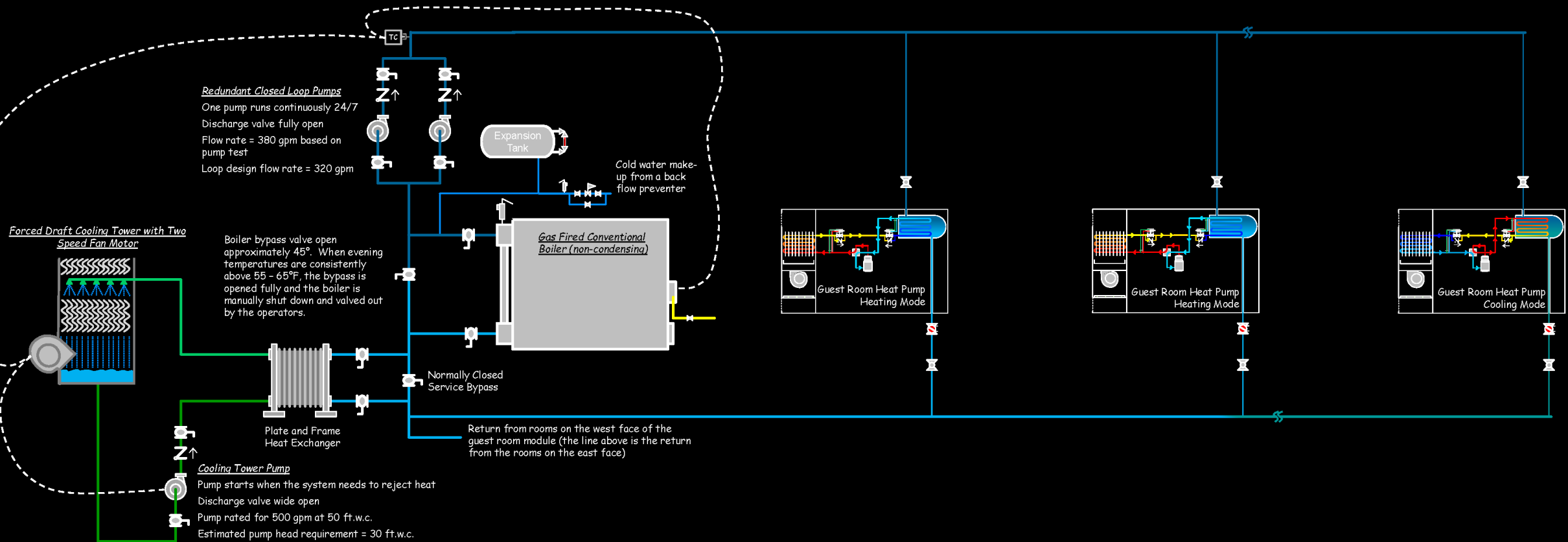






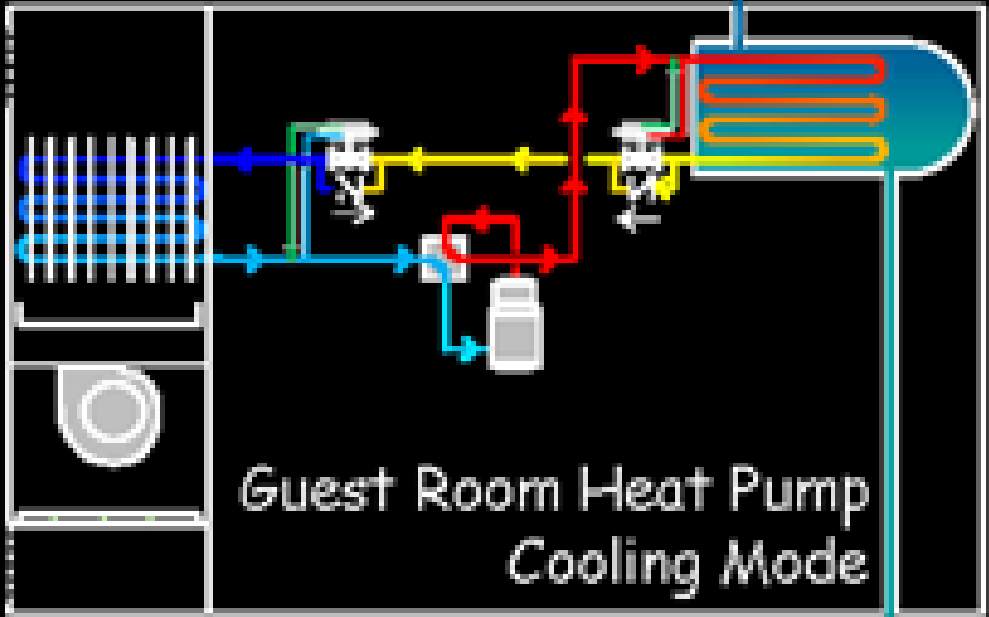


A Typical Guest Room Heat Pump Loop

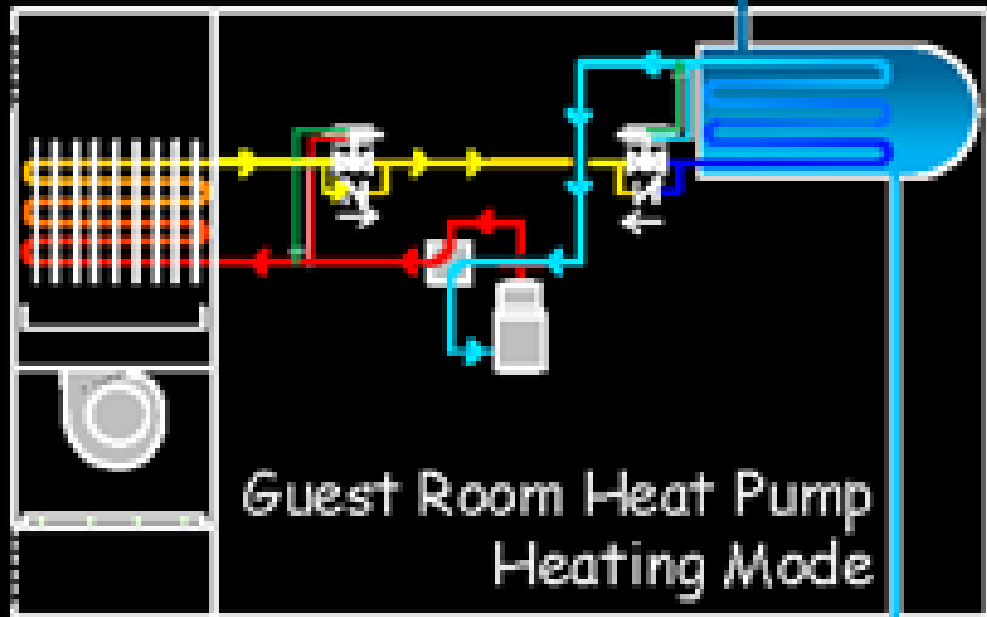


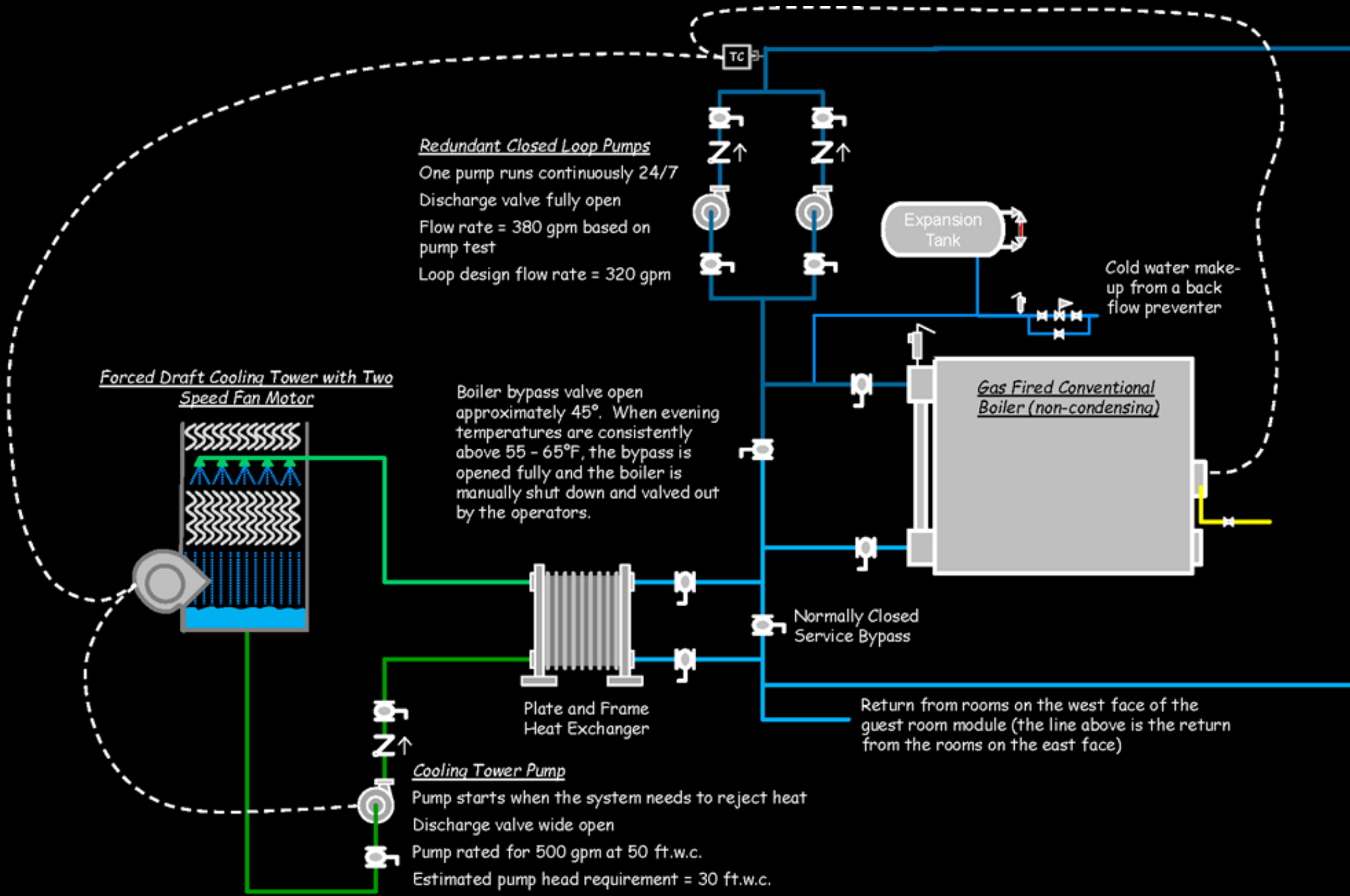
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Guest Room Heat Pump
Cooling Mode

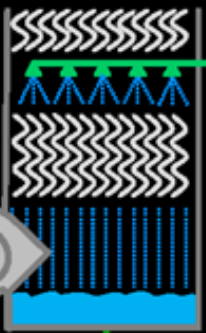




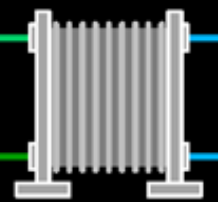
Redundant Closed Loop Pumps

One pump runs continuously 24/7
 Discharge valve fully open
 Flow rate = 380 gpm based on pump test
 Loop design flow rate = 320 gpm

Forced Draft Cooling Tower with Two Speed Fan Motor



Boiler bypass valve open approximately 45°. When evening temperatures are consistently above 55 - 65°F, the bypass is opened fully and the boiler is manually shut down and valved out by the operators.



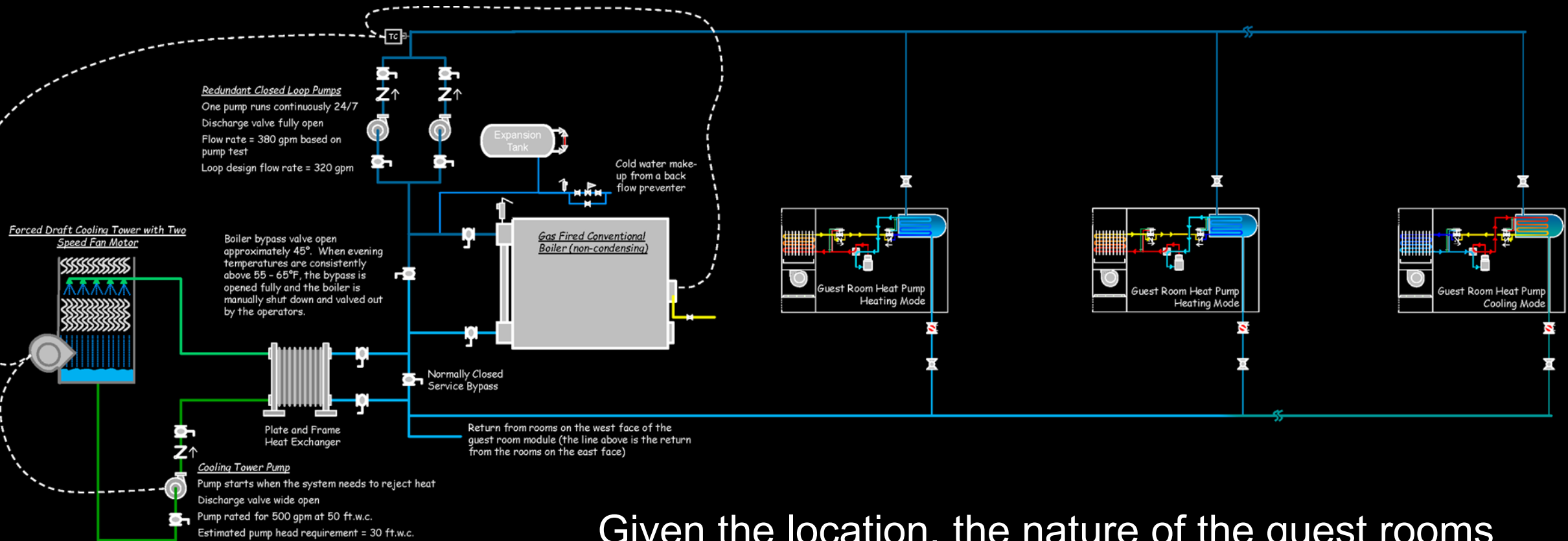
Cooling Tower Pump

Pump starts when the system needs to reject heat
 Discharge valve wide open
 Pump rated for 500 gpm at 50 ft.w.c.
 Estimated pump head requirement = 30 ft.w.c.

Normally Closed Service Bypass

Return from rooms on the west face of the guest room module (the line above is the return from the rooms on the east face)

Some Questions For You



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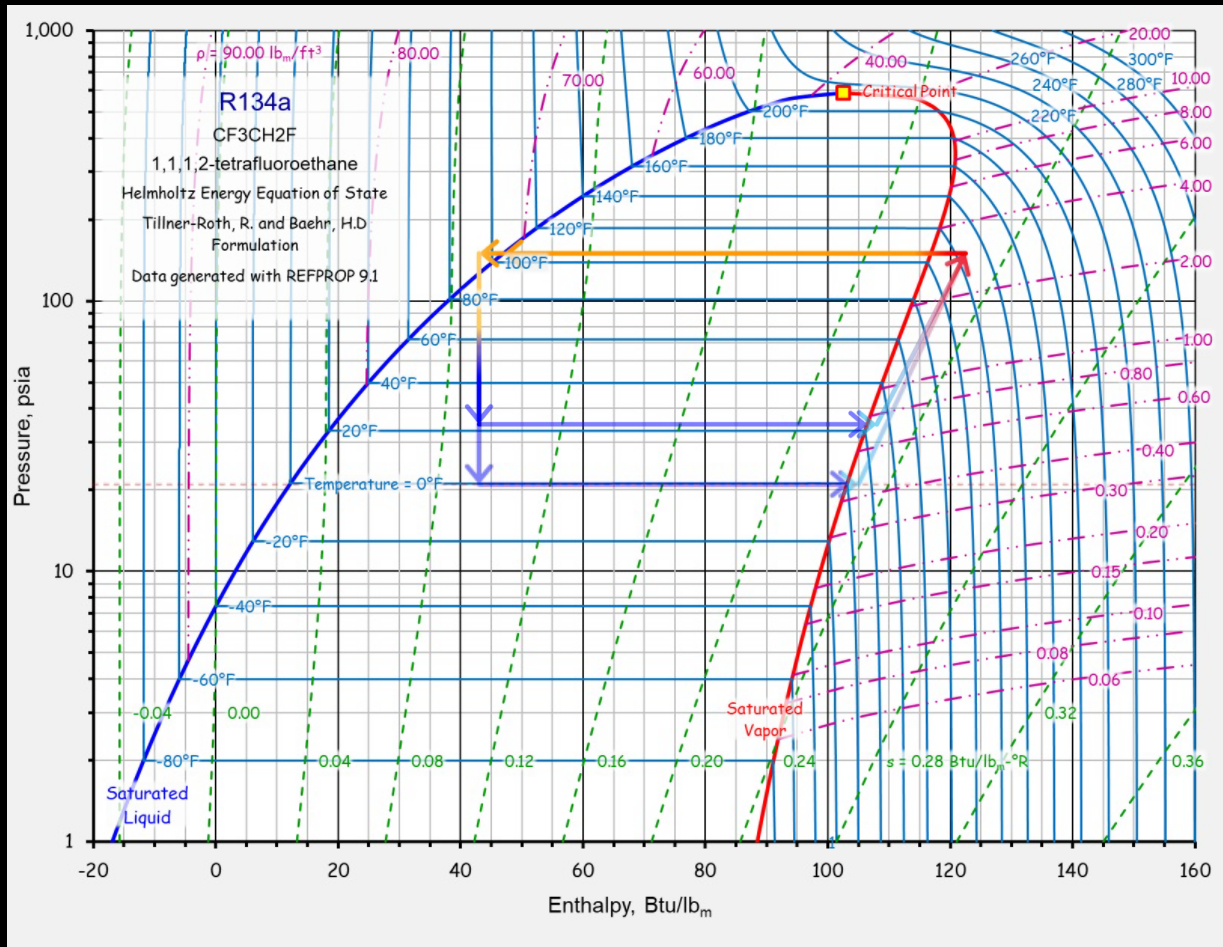
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Some Questions For You



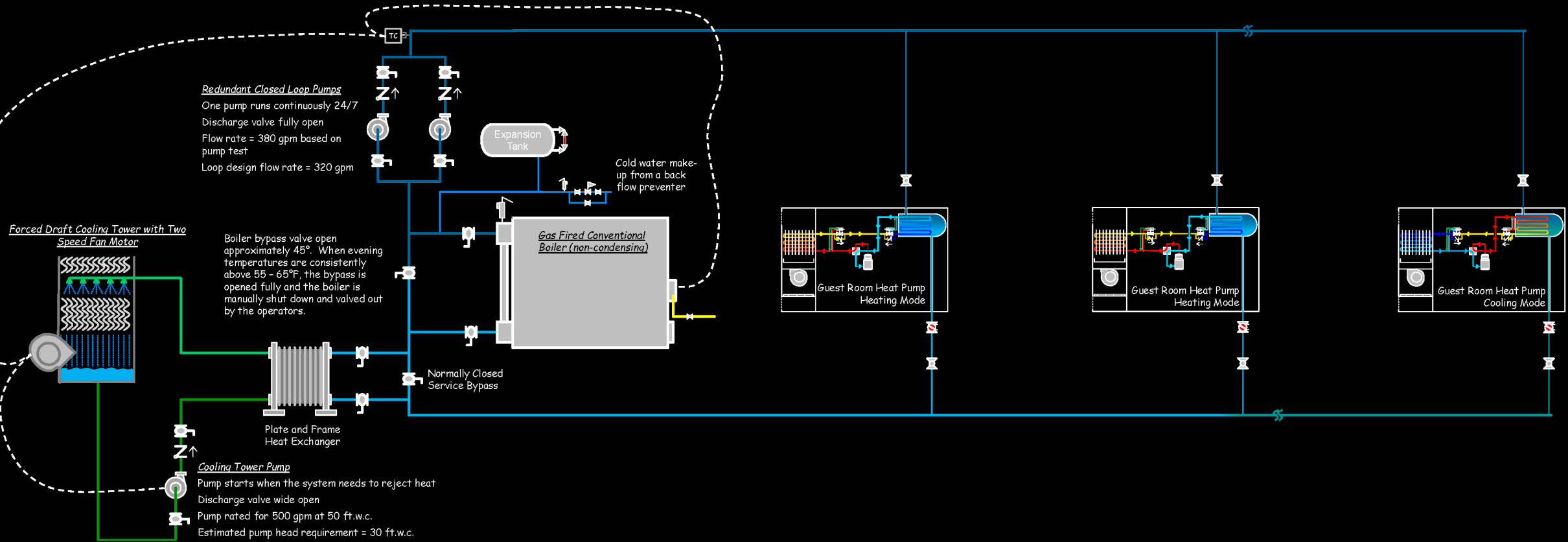
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Some Questions For You



If there was not a lot of heat to recover, are there any other reasons for someone to select water source heat pumps in this location compared to a different unitary option like a PTAC?

Thinking About Monitoring



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Monitoring Plan Targets

- Firm up (or not) opportunities identified during scoping
- Provide data
 - Support more detailed investigations
 - Diagnostics and trouble shooting
 - Calculations
 - Looking for common opportunities
 - Are schedules actually working?
 - Are VAV systems VAVing?
 - Are optimization strategies working?
- Support expansion of the findings list
- Support cost benefit assessments
- Support verification

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	Cooling Tower	Cell 1 Cold Room Temperature	TM200-IB	3 minute	Hot Room of cell 1		02163770	02163770	
	Cooling Tower	Cell 2 Cold Room Temperature	TM200-IB	3 minute	Hot Room of cell 2		02163770	02163770	
02163769	Scarb Tower ACC	Cooling tower 1 Air amps	CTV-B (50 amp)	3 minute	CT 1 feed of MCC	At MCC	02163769	02163769	1. See general notes 2
	Scarb Tower ACC	Cooling tower 2 Air amps	CTV-B (50 amp)	3 minute	CT 2 feed of MCC		02163769	02163769	
	Scarb Tower ACC	CW Pump 1 amps	CTV-B (50 amp)	3 minute	CW Pump 1 feed of MCC		02163769	02163769	
	Scarb Tower ACC	CW Pump 2 amps	CTV-B (50 amp)	3 minute	CW Pump 2 feed of MCC		02163769	02163769	
02163774	Scarb Tower CHW	Chiller 1 A amps	CTV-B (500 amp)	3 minute	Chiller 1 main switch		02163774	02163774	1. Could will not measure ACC over CTV for you in use.
	Scarb Tower CHW	Chiller 2 A amps	CTV-D (500 amp)	3 minute	Chiller 2 main switch		02163774	02163774	
02163774	Scarb Tower CHW	Chiller 1 FWT - Chilled Water	TM200-IB	3 minute	Transmitter well	At chiller	02163774	02163774	1. See general notes 1 and 3
	Scarb Tower CHW	Chiller 2 LWT - Chilled Water	TM200-IB	3 minute	Transmitter well		02163774	02163774	
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02163767	Scarb Tower CHW	Chiller 2 LWT - Chilled Water	TM200-IB	3 minute	Transmitter well	At chiller	02163767	02163767	1. See general notes 1 and 3
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02163771	Scarb Tower CHW	CHW Pump 1 Amps	CTV-B (200 amp)	3 minute	CT 1 feed of MCC	At MCC	02163771	02163771	1. See general notes 2
	Scarb Tower CHW	CHW Pump 2 Amps	CTV-B (200 amp)	3 minute	CT 2 feed of MCC		02163771	02163771	2. I have assumed a 200 amp. It will be big enough for the common water pumps.
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02163812	ST Bq - Bin Cond Flow (open)	ST Bq - Bin Temperature	Internal	3 minute	On Top of B/W Pump Room	At B/W Pump Room	02163812	02163812	1. Boreholes of Carbon 3 loggers with an internal lighting sensor.
	ST Bq - Bin Cond Flow	ST Bq - Bin E 4	Internal	3 minute	On Top of B/W Pump Room		02163812	02163812	
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02163768	NT Lobby 2D Ute	Supply fan sensor	CTV-B (50 amp)	3 minute	NTD room fan	Transposed to supply fan VFD	02163768	02163768	1. See general notes 1 and 4
	NT Lobby 2D Ute	Post cooling Air Temperature	TM200-IB	3 minute	Downstream of fan		02163768	02163768	
	NT Lobby 2D Ute	Cool Deck Temperature	TM200-IB	3 minute	Downstream of coil		02163768	02163768	
	NT Lobby 2D Ute	Hot Deck Temperature	TM200-IB	3 minute	Downstream of coil		02163768	02163768	
02164009	NT Lobby 2D Ute	Reversal sensor	Internal	3 minute	Reversal coil	Transposed to J.L. magnet (the return coil)	02164009	02164009	1. Try to get the sensor into the eye view away from the door so the air change around the door does not influence the logger coil magnet.
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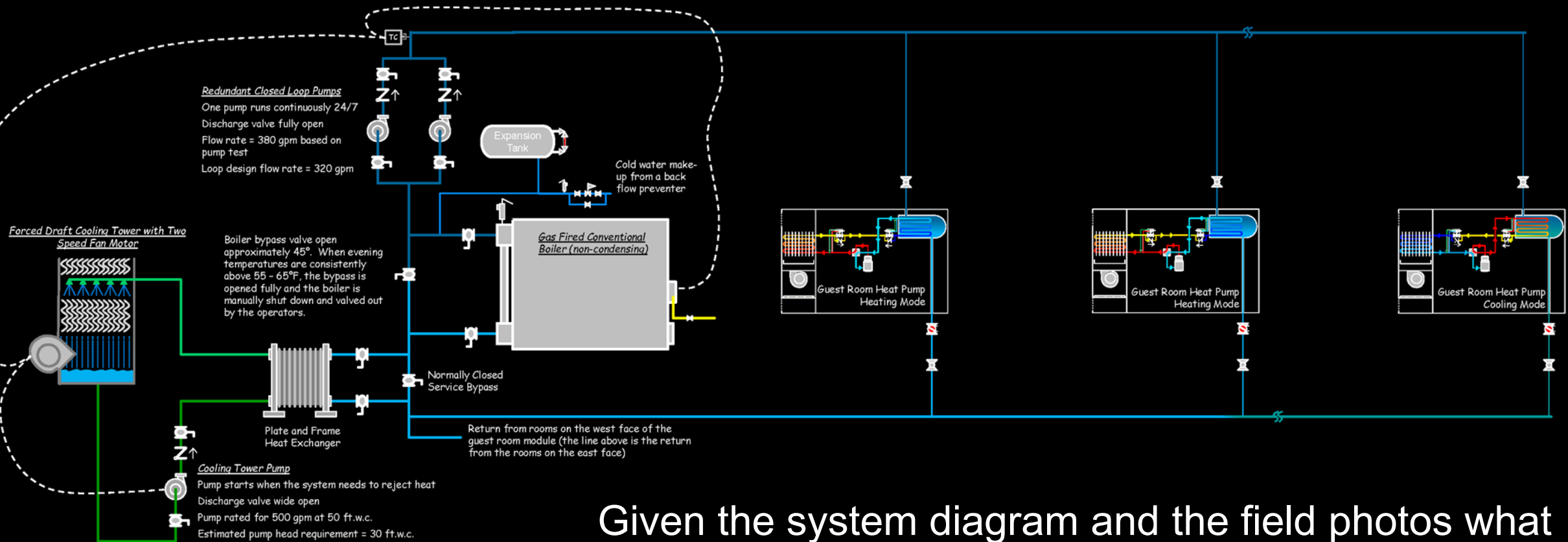
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	Cooling Tower	Cell 2 Cold Basin Temperature	TMC50-HD	1 minute	Hot basin of cell 1		Sensor 4		
						Logger	Screen shot of logger status at launch		
10263769	South Tower MCC	Cooling tower 1 fan amps	CTV-B (50 amp)	1 minute	CT 1 feed at MCC	At MCC	Sensor 1	Central Plant MCC	1. See general note 2.
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	South Tower MCC	CW Pump 1 amps	CTV-B (50 amp)	1 minute	CW Pump 1 feed at MCC		Sensor 3		
	South Tower MCC	CW Pump 2 amps	CTV-B (50 amp)	1 minute	CW Pump 2 feed at MCC		Sensor 4		
						Logger	Screen shot of logger 10263769		
	South Tower CHW	Chiller 1 Amps	CTV-D (600 amp)	1 minute	Chiller 1 main switch		Sensor 1		1. David will ship down 600 amp CTs for you to use.
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							Sensor 4		
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						Logger	Screen shots with bad sensor and fix		
10263771	South Tower CHW	CHW Pump 1 Amps	CTV-D (200 amp)	1 minute	CT 1 feed at MCC	At MCC	Sensor 1	Central Plant MCC	1. See general note 2. 2. I have assumed a 20 amp CT will be big enough for the domestic water pumps.
	South Tower CHW	CHW Pump 2 Amps	CTV-D (200 amp)	1 minute	CT 2 feed at MCC		Sensor 2		
	South Tower DomWtr	Pump 1 Amps	CTV-A (20 amp)	2 seconds	DW Pump 1 feed in MCC		Sensor 3		
	South Water DomWtr	Pump 2 Amps	CTV-A (20 amp)	2 seconds	DW Pump 2 feed in MCC		Sensor 4		
						Logger	Logger 10263771 deployment screenshot		
10359812 (Carlos's logger)	ST Eq. Rm. Conditions	ST Eq. Rm. Temperature	Internal	1 minute	On Top of DW Pump Panel	At DW Pumps	Sensor 1	Logger tied to conduit at Booster Pump	1. Borrow one of Carlos's loggers with an internal lighting sensor.
	ST Eq. Rm. Conditions	ST. Eq. Rm RH	Internal	1 minute	On Top of DW Pump Panel		Sensor 2		
	ST Eq. Rm. Conditions	ST Eq. Rm. Lighting Level	Internal	1 minute	On Top of DW Pump Panel		Sensor 3		
						Sensor 4			
						Logger	Screen shot of 10359812 launch		
10263768	NT Lobby DD Unit	Supply fan amps	CTV-D (50 amp)	1 minute	VFD incoming line	Tie-wrapped to supply fan VFD	Sensor 1	Fan amps sensor	1. See general notes 1 and 4.
	NT Lobby DD Unit	Fan Leaving Air Temperature	TMC20-HD	1 minute	Downstream of fan		Sensor 2	Fan discharge sensor	
	NT Lobby DD Unit	Cold Deck Temperature	TMC20-HD	1 minute	Downstream of coil		Sensor 3	Cold deck sensor	
	NT Lobby DD Unit	Hot Deck Temperature	TMC20-HD	1 minute	Downstream of coil		Sensor 4	Hot deck sensor	
						Logger	Screen shot of logger ant launch		
10264069	NT Lobby DD Unit	Return temperature	Internal	1 minute	In return duct	Tie-wrapped to duct support in the return duct	Sensor 1	Data logger - Initial deployment	1. Try to get the sensor into the system away from the door so that air leakage around the door does not influence the logger too much.
	NT Lobby DD Unit	Return RH	Internal	1 minute	In return duct		Sensor 2		
							Sensor 3		
							Sensor 4		
						Logger	Screen shot of logger ant launch		
							Screen shot of logger re-deployment		

Monitoring Plan Resources

- Monitoring Plan Template (blank and a filled-out example)
- Monitoring Plan Blog Posts
- Data Logging Resources
- A Video
- All linked from this location
- <https://tinyurl.com/MonitoringPlans>



A Monitoring Question



Water Source Heat Pump Loop
 2022-11-16, DS

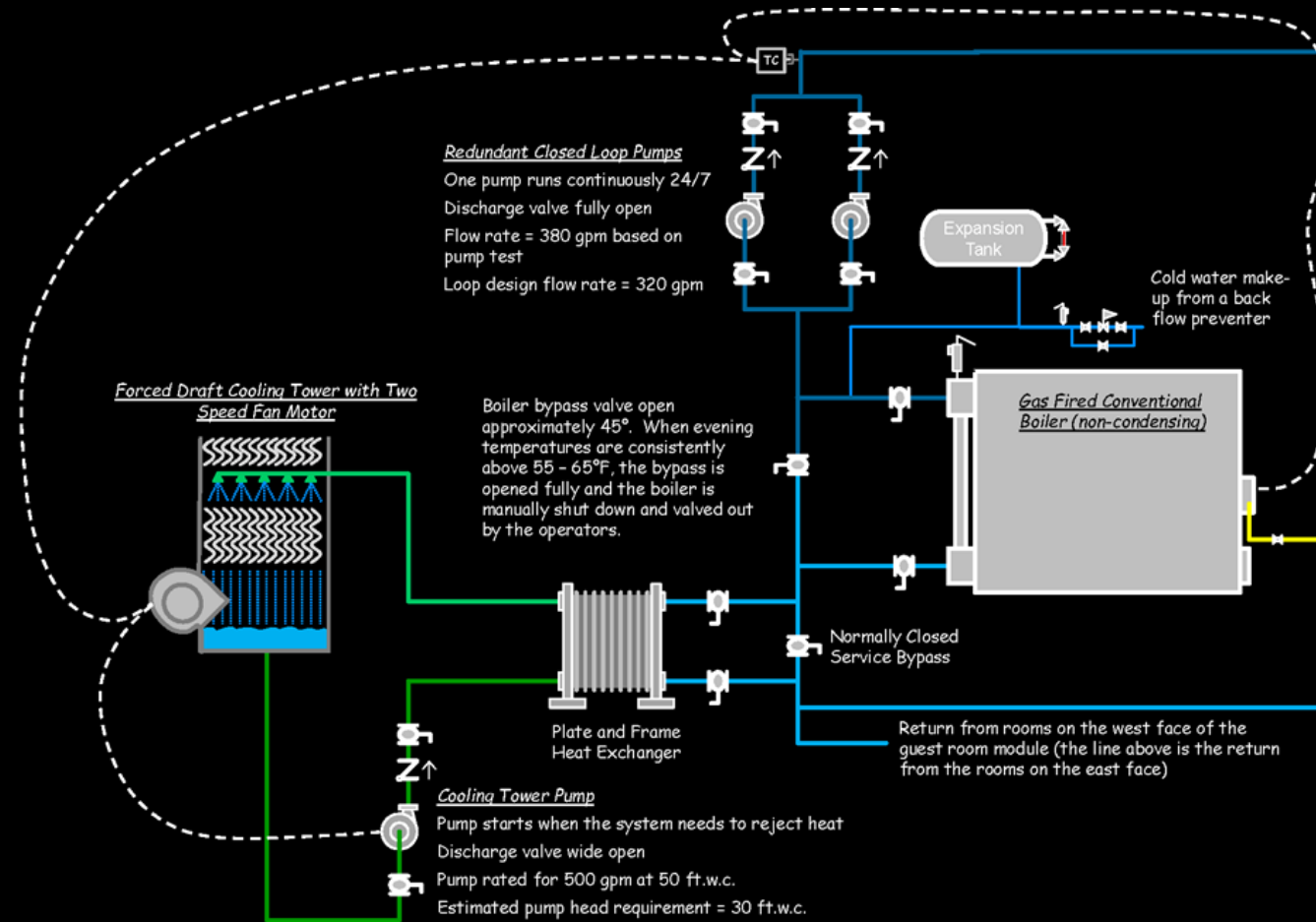
Given the system diagram and the field photos what points would you include in your monitoring plan? For each point you list, include the reason why you want to monitor it.

Adding Some Constraints

Your logger inventory

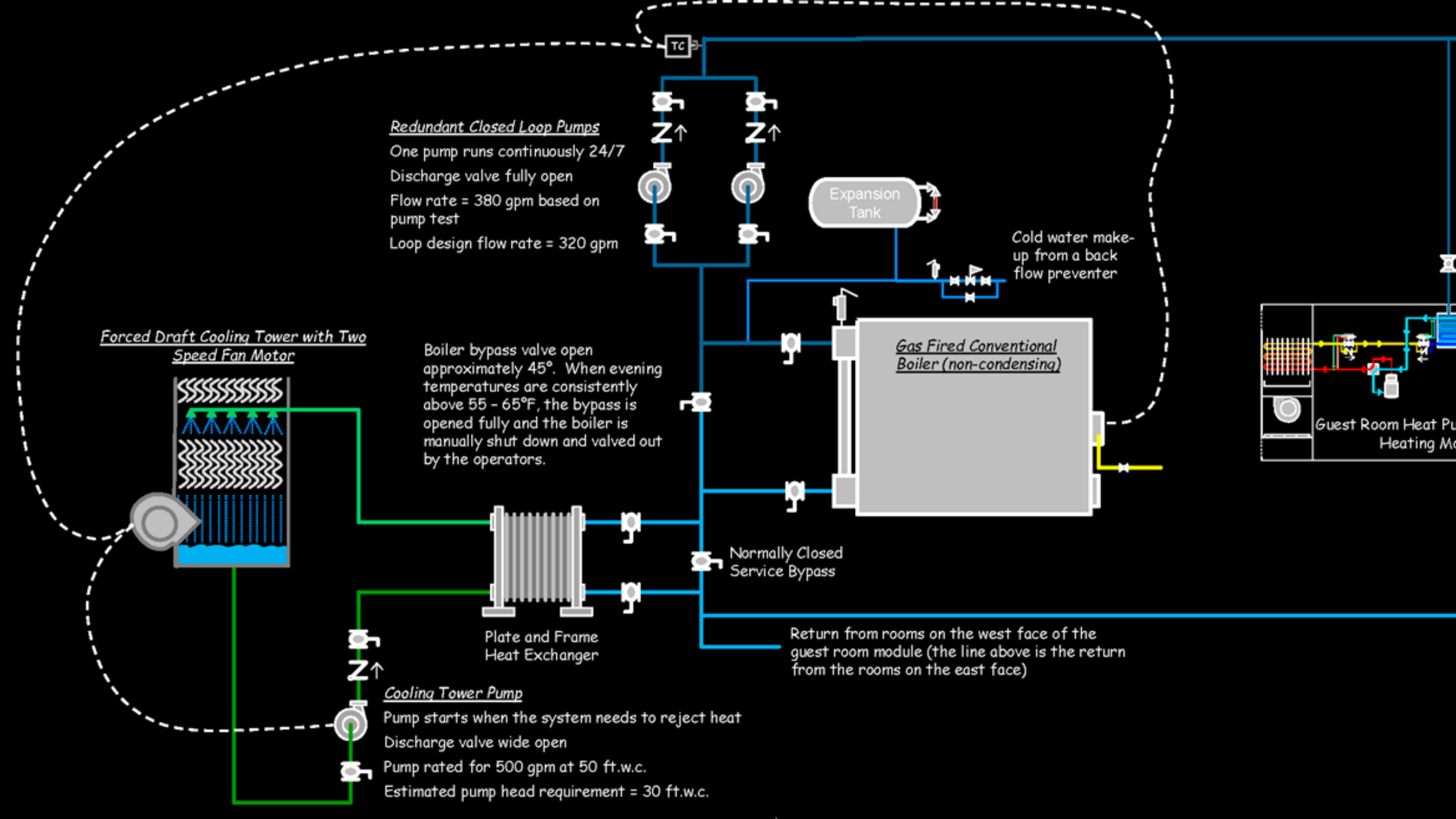
- 2 – four channel loggers
- 8 – temperature sensors
- 4 – CTs

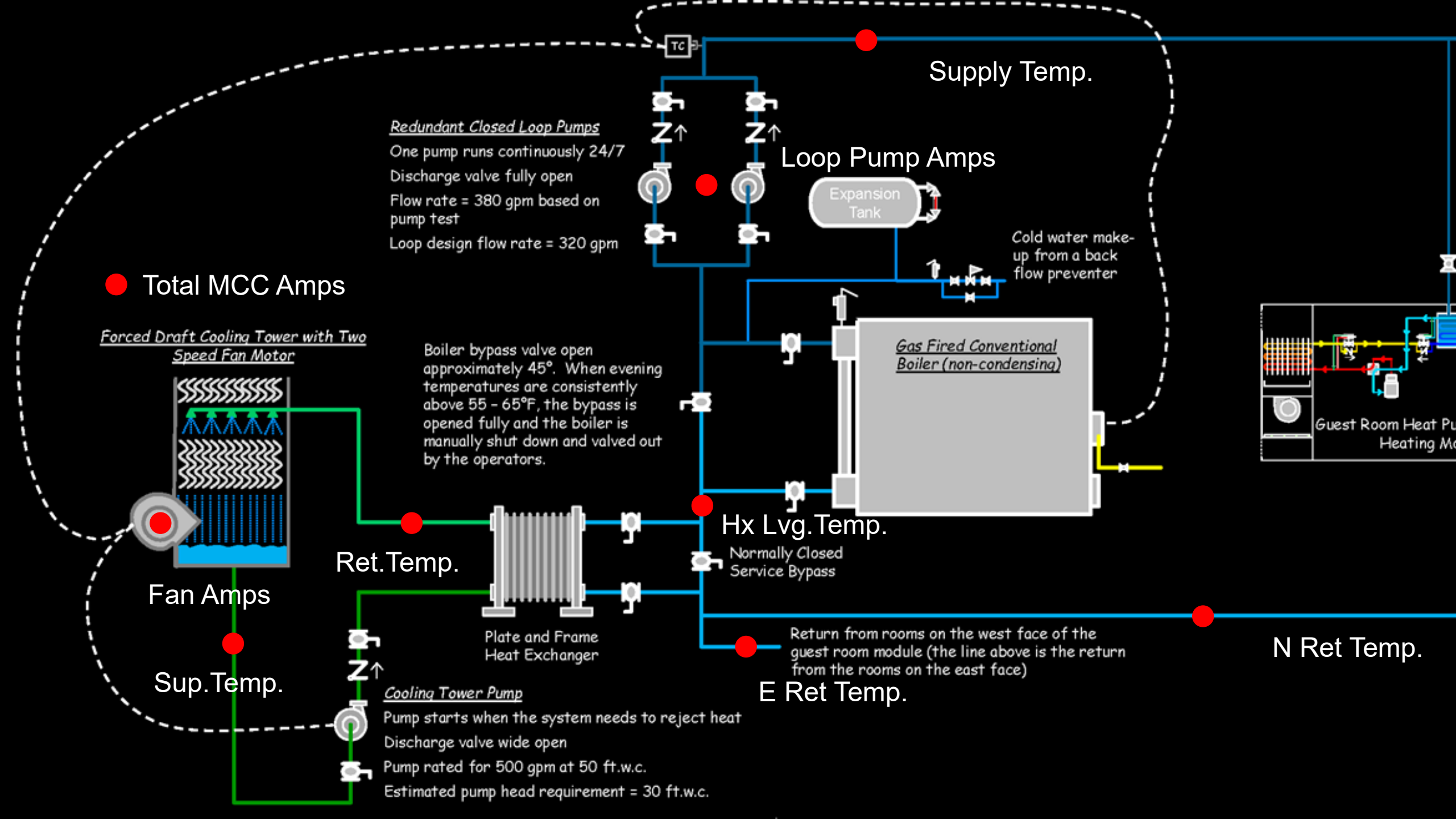
What data points would you select to give you the most insight?



Water Source Heat Pump Loop

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Supply Temp.

Redundant Closed Loop Pumps
 One pump runs continuously 24/7
 Discharge valve fully open
 Flow rate = 380 gpm based on pump test
 Loop design flow rate = 320 gpm

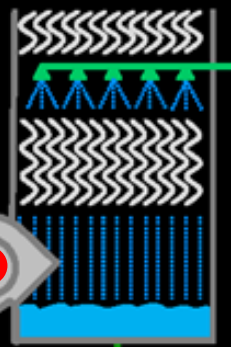
Loop Pump Amps

Expansion Tank

Cold water make-up from a back flow preventer

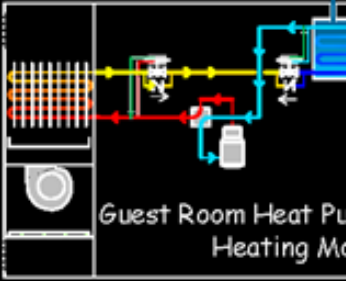
● Total MCC Amps

Forced Draft Cooling Tower with Two Speed Fan Motor



Boiler bypass valve open approximately 45°. When evening temperatures are consistently above 55 - 65°F, the bypass is opened fully and the boiler is manually shut down and valved out by the operators.

Gas Fired Conventional Boiler (non-condensing)



Guest Room Heat Pump Heating Module

Fan Amps

Ret. Temp.

Hx Lvg. Temp.

Normally Closed Service Bypass

Sup. Temp.



Cooling Tower Pump
 Pump starts when the system needs to reject heat
 Discharge valve wide open
 Pump rated for 500 gpm at 50 ft.w.c.
 Estimated pump head requirement = 30 ft.w.c.

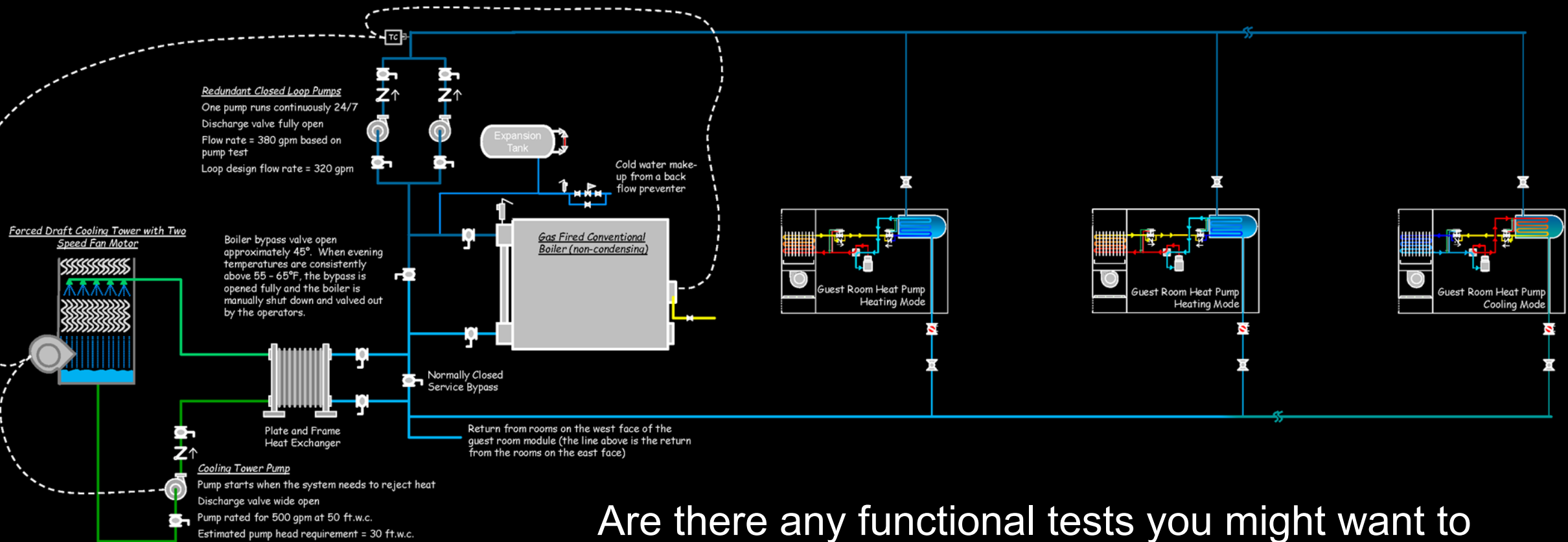
Return from rooms on the west face of the guest room module (the line above is the return from the rooms on the east face)

E Ret Temp.

N Ret Temp.

Plate and Frame Heat Exchanger

A Functional Testing Question



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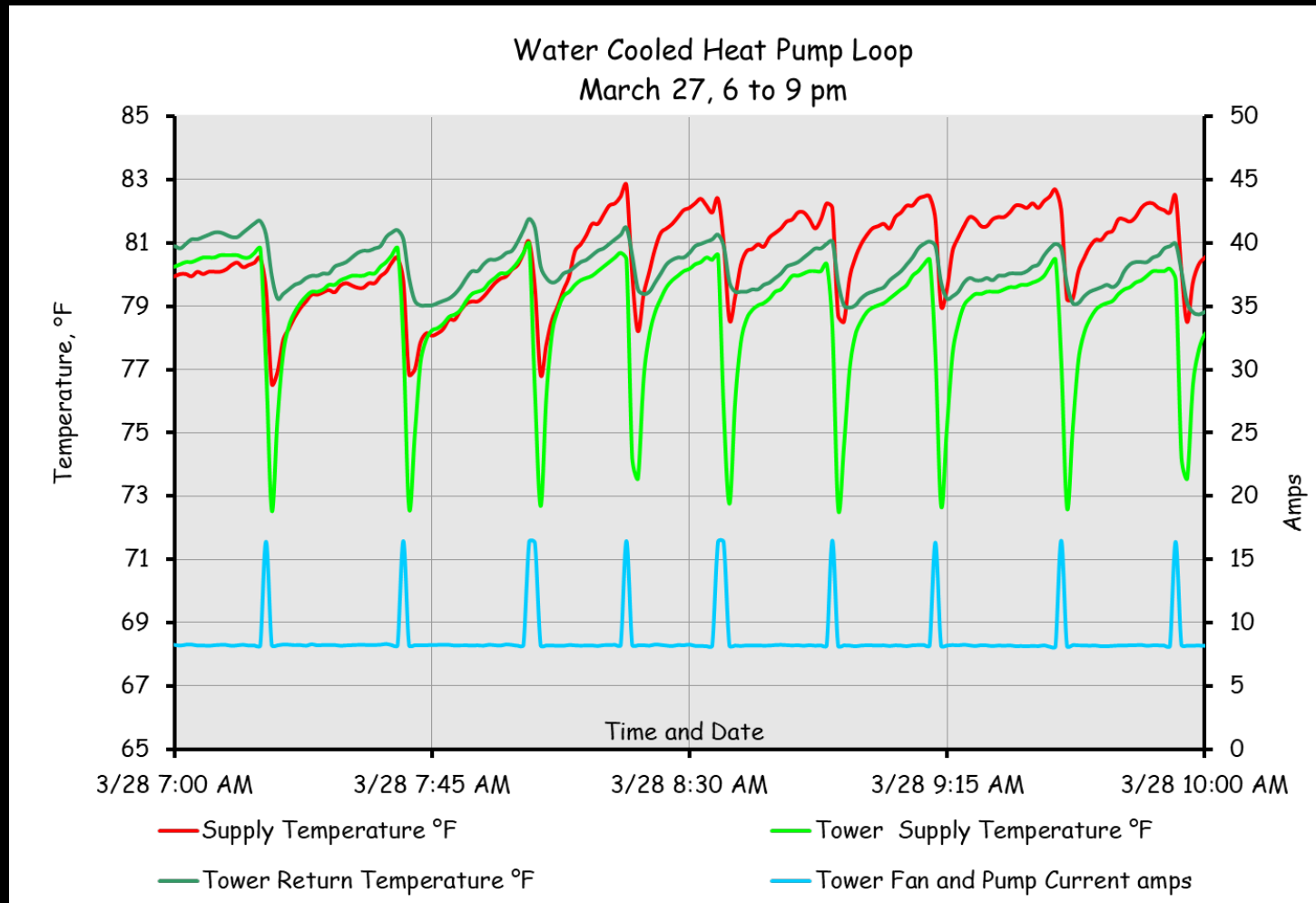
Are there any functional tests you might want to perform based on what you observed in the field or based on the data you plan to capture?

Let's Look at Some Data

<https://tinyurl.com/DataLoggingDecades>



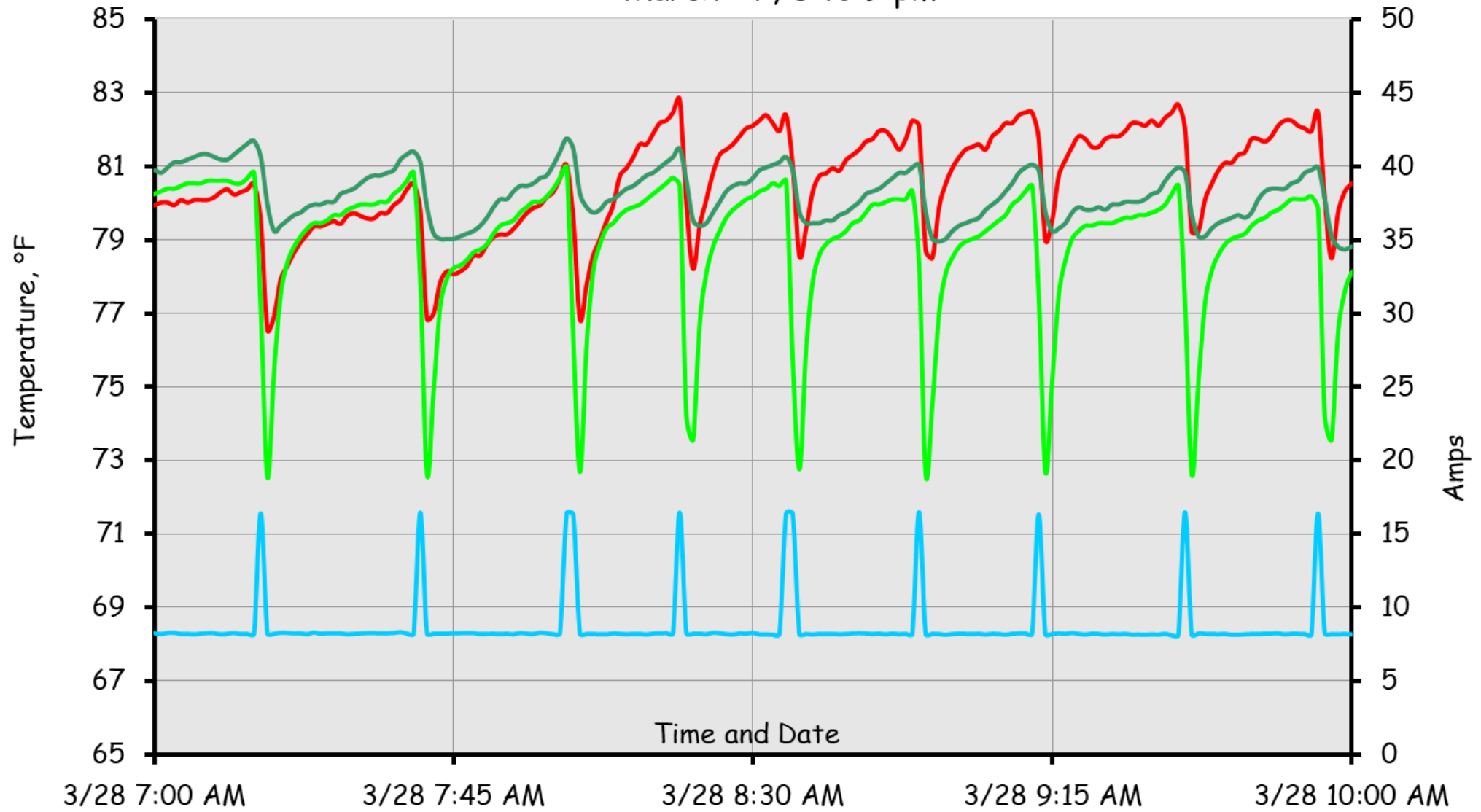
What You Might Learn



What opportunities are revealed in the amperage trend?

Water Cooled Heat Pump Loop

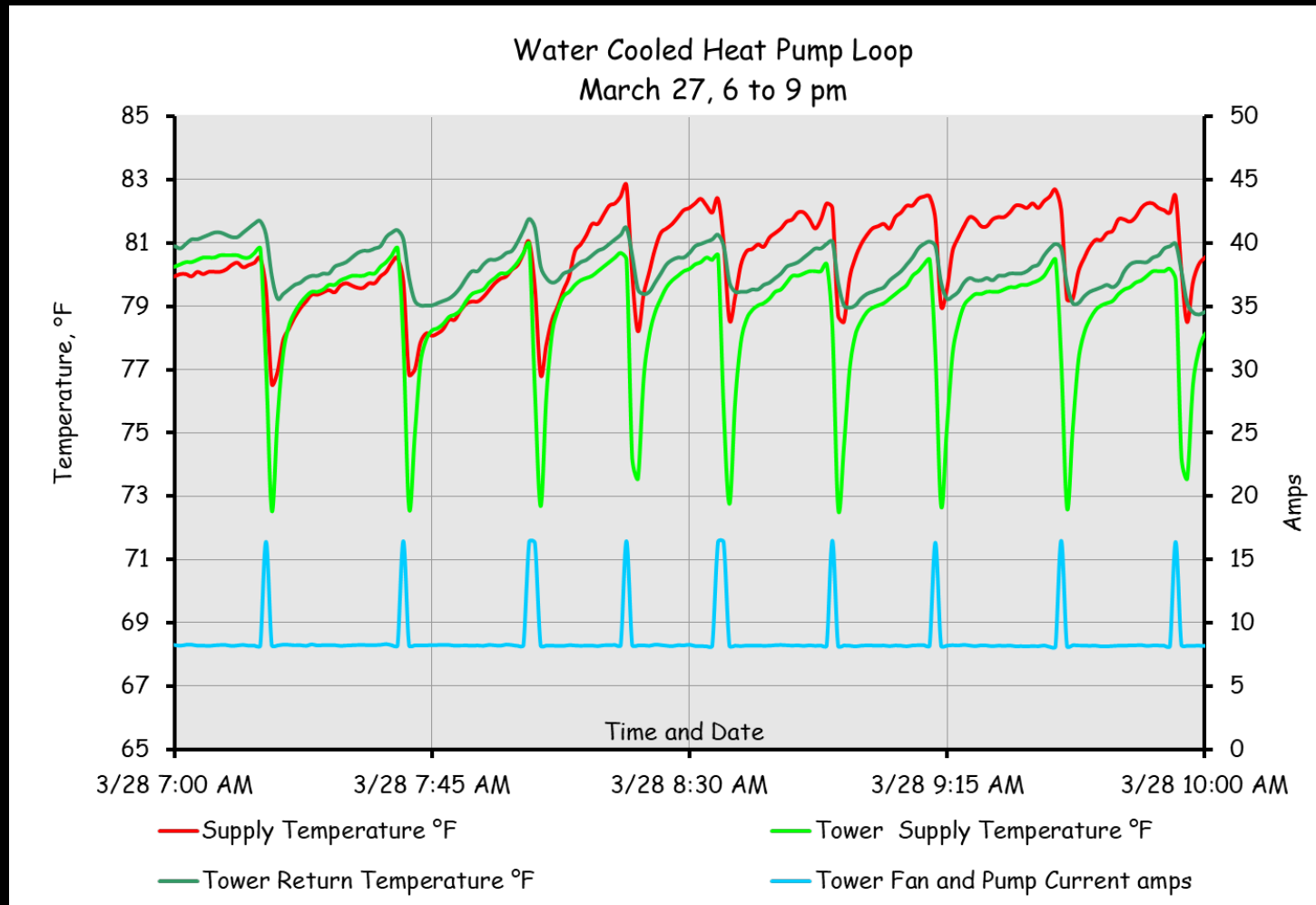
March 27, 6 to 9 pm



— Supply Temperature °F
— Tower Return Temperature °F

— Tower Supply Temperature °F
— Tower Fan and Pump Current amps

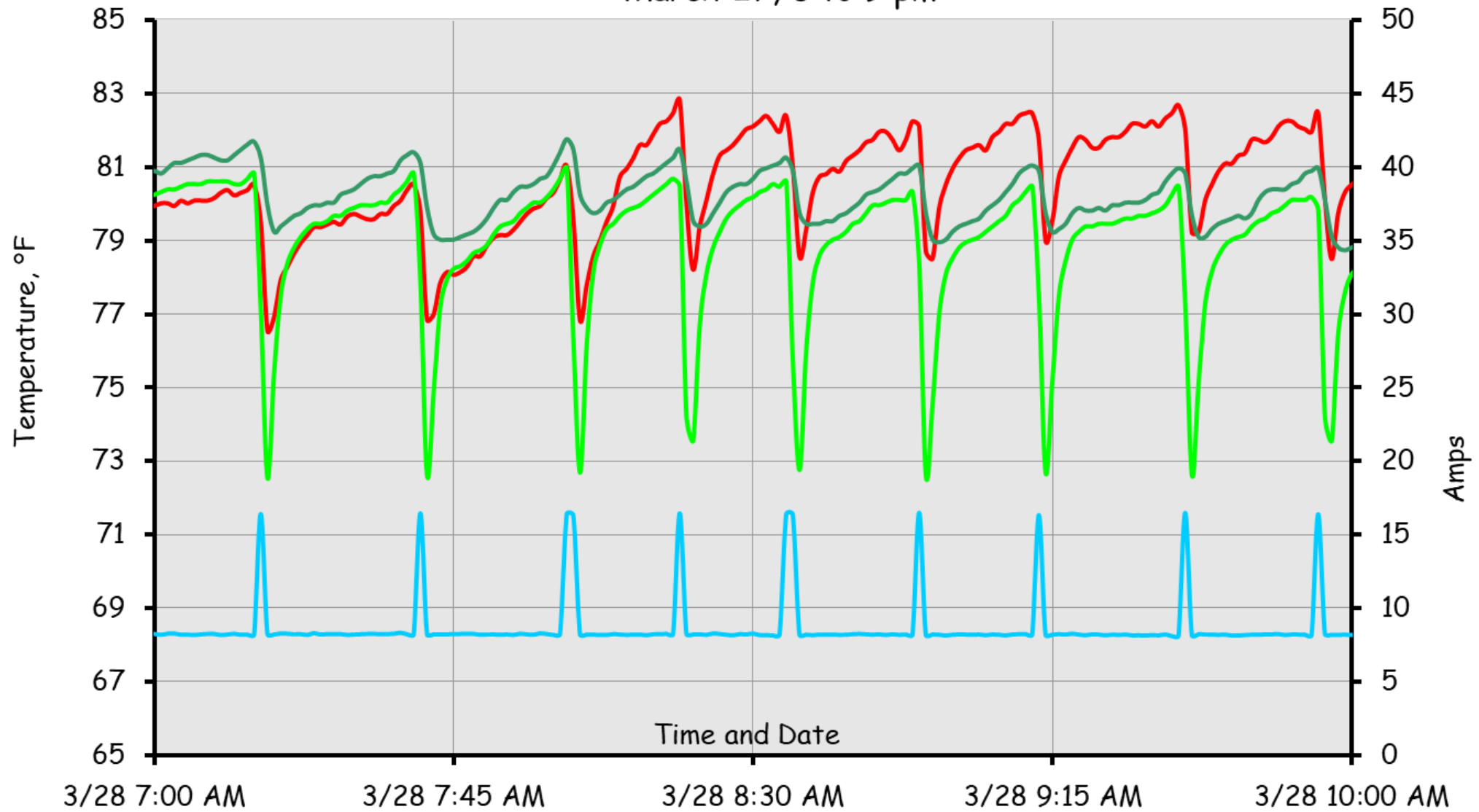
What You Might Learn



What opportunities are revealed in the temperature trend data (assuming the temperature sensors were calibrated relative to each other)?

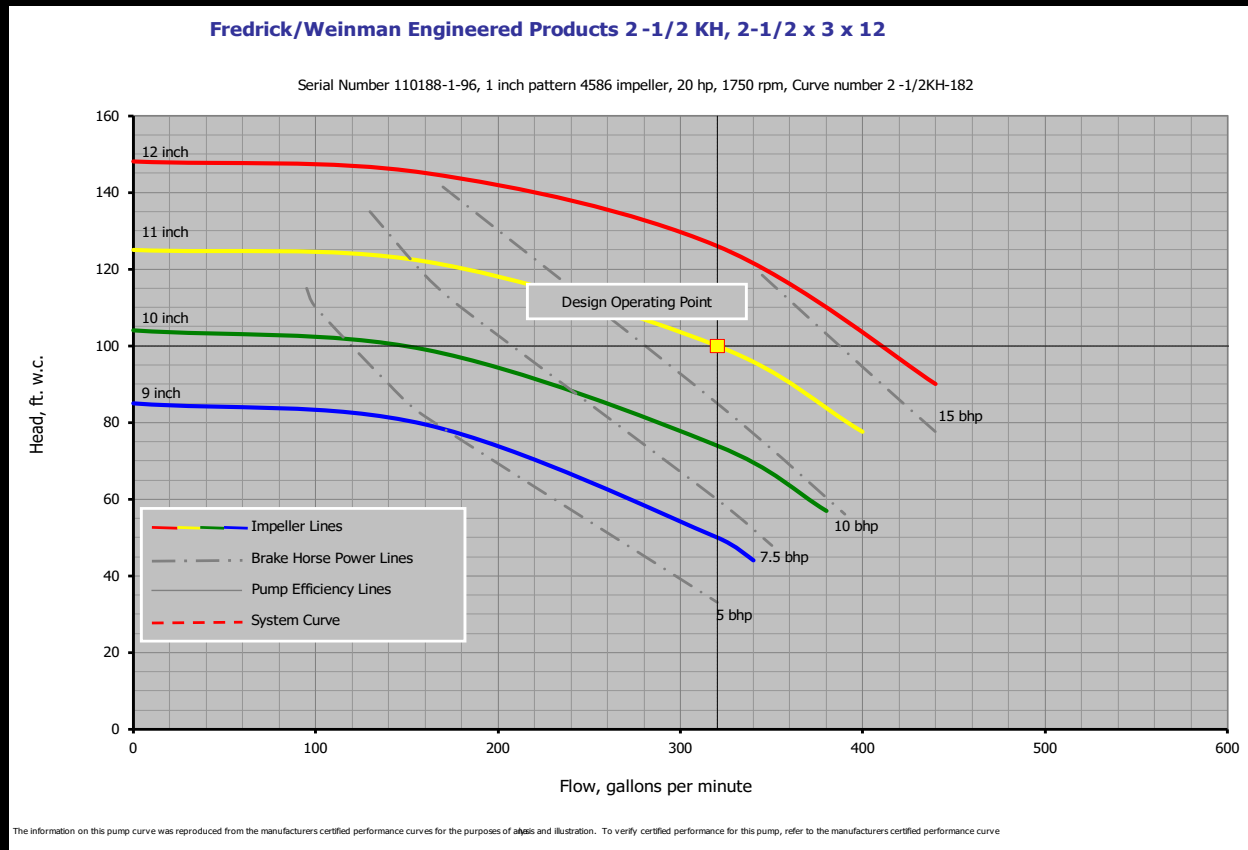
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What You Might Learn From the Pump

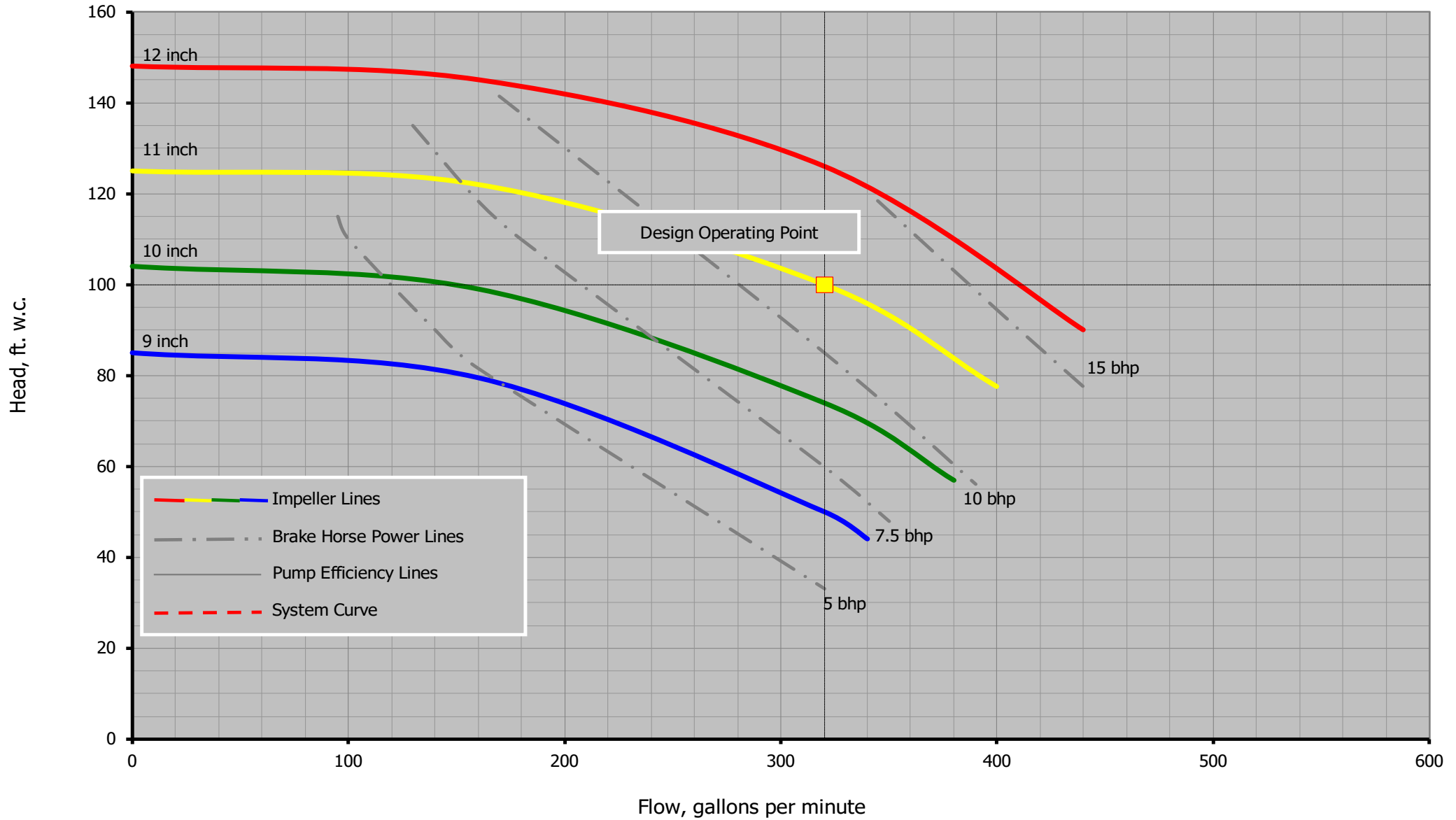


Design Condition

- 11 inch impeller
- Design Flow – 320 gpm
- Design Head – 100 ft.w.c.

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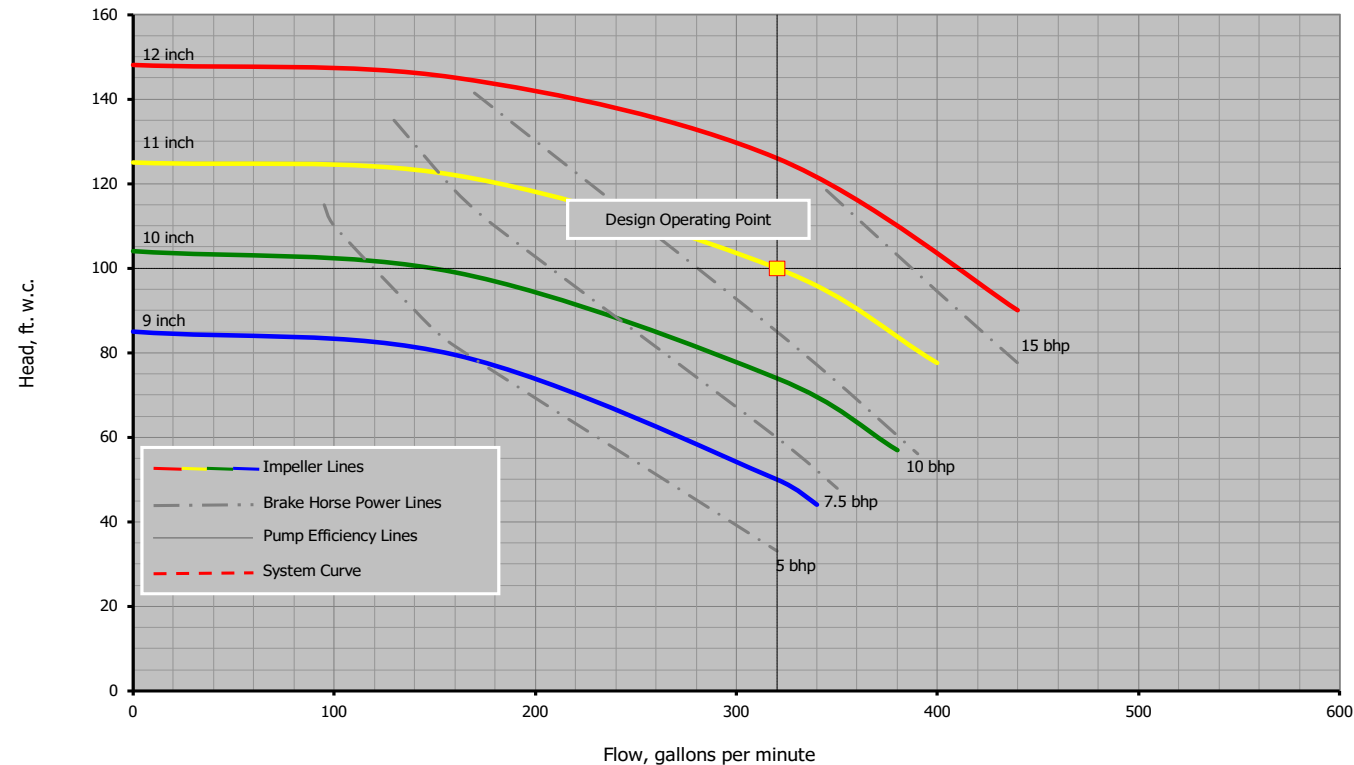
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Does the Pump Head Seem Reasonable?

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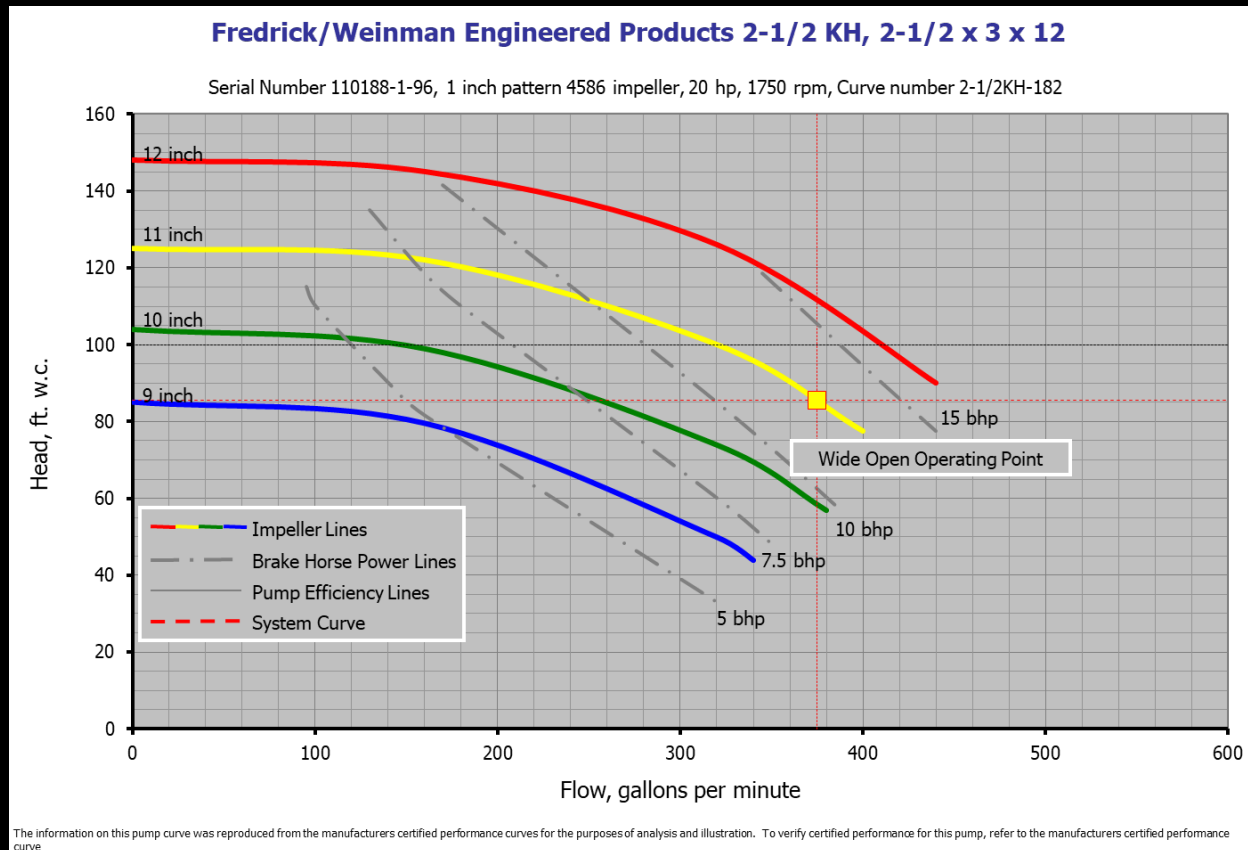
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What You Might Learn From the Pump

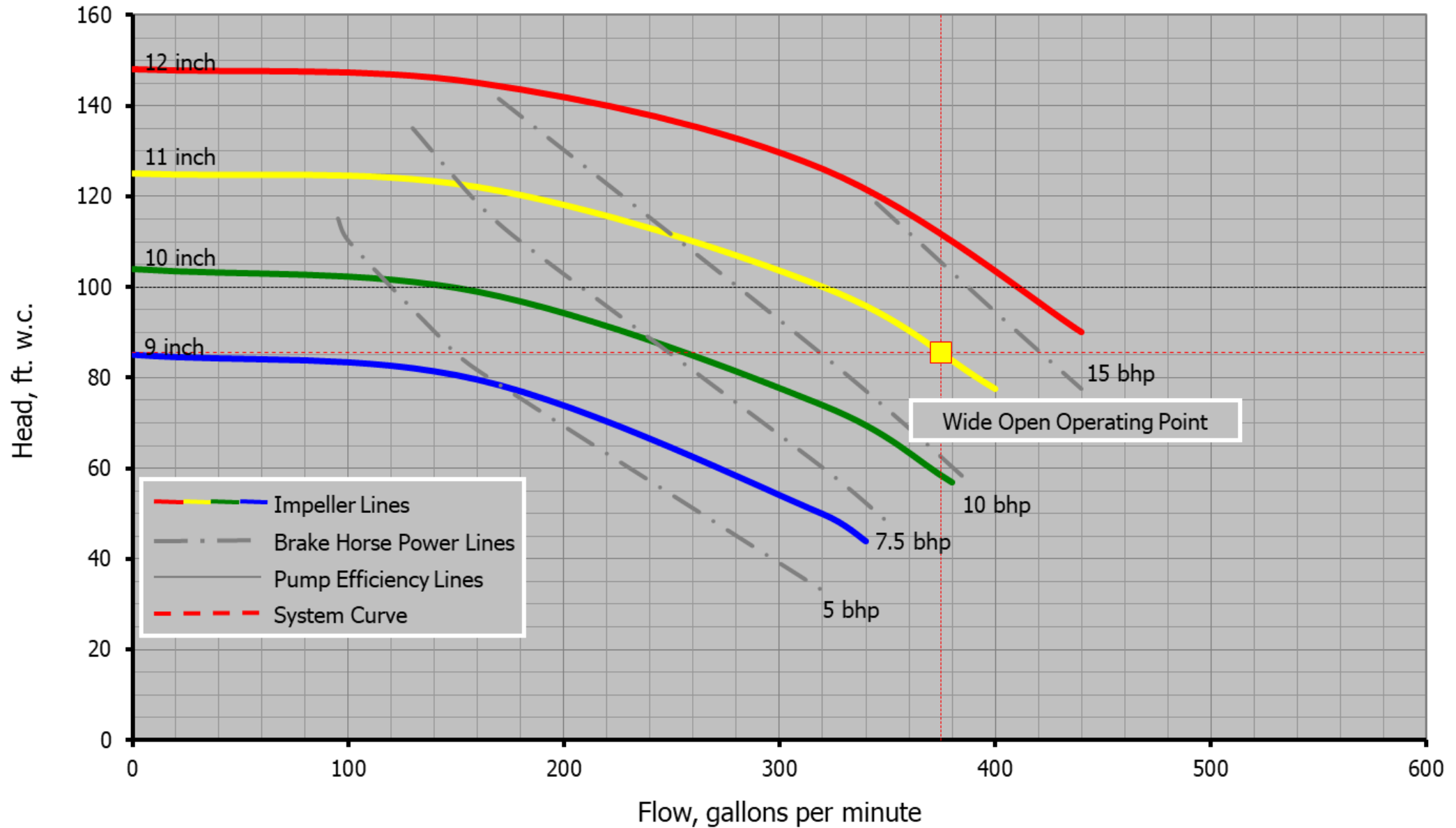


Pump Test Results

- 11 inch impeller
- Wide open head – 84 – 86 ft.w.c.
- Flow (from pump curve) – 375 - 380 gpm
- Design Flow – 320 gpm

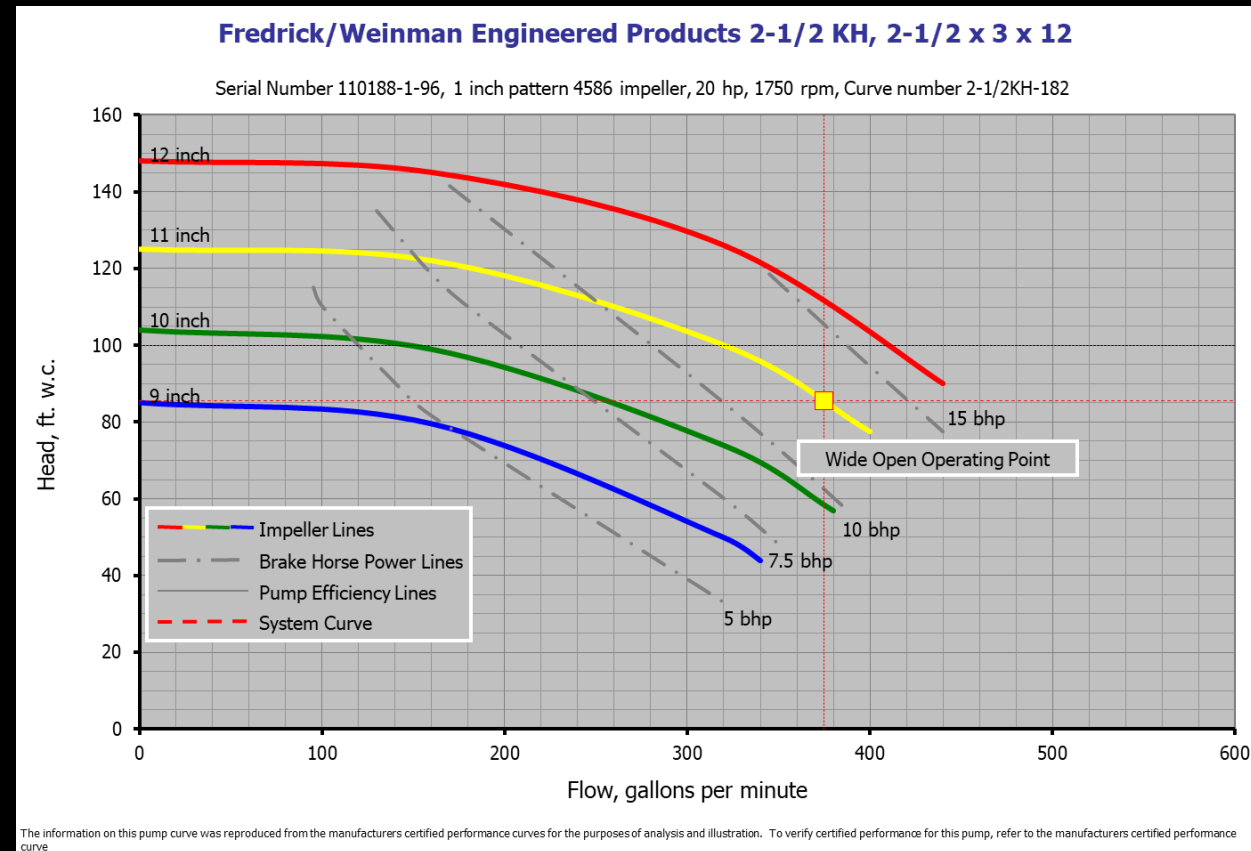
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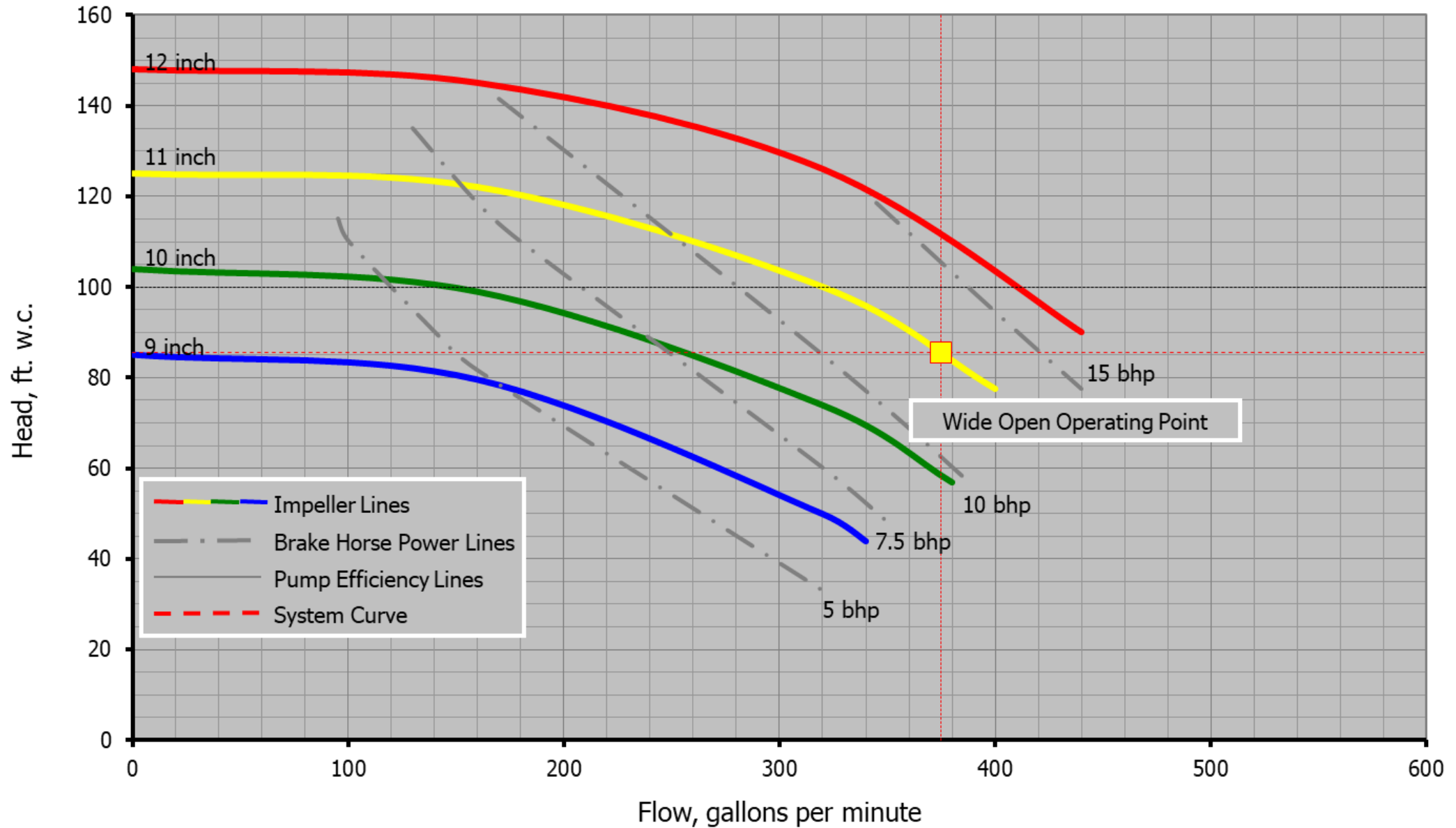
What Did You Learn?

What did the pump test results tell you about the closed loop pump performance relative to the design requirement of 320 gpm?



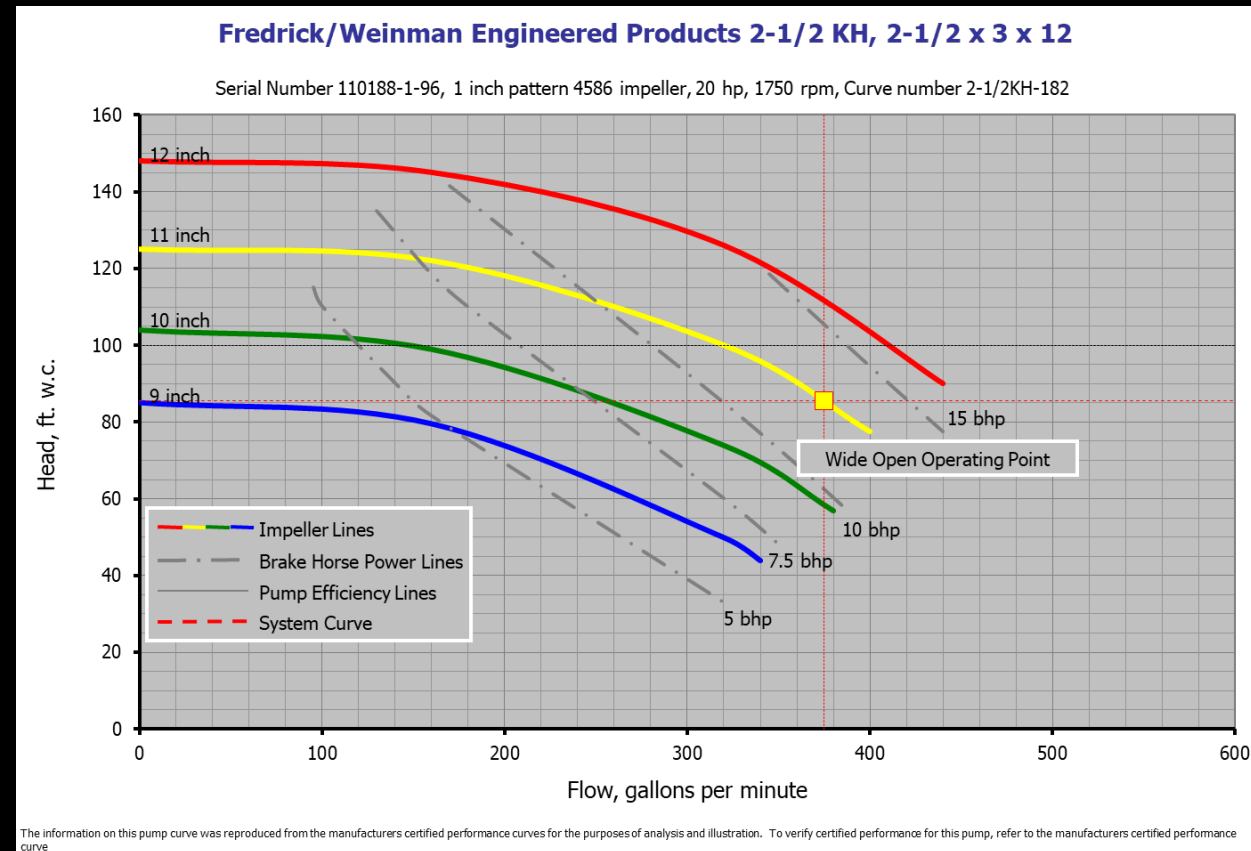
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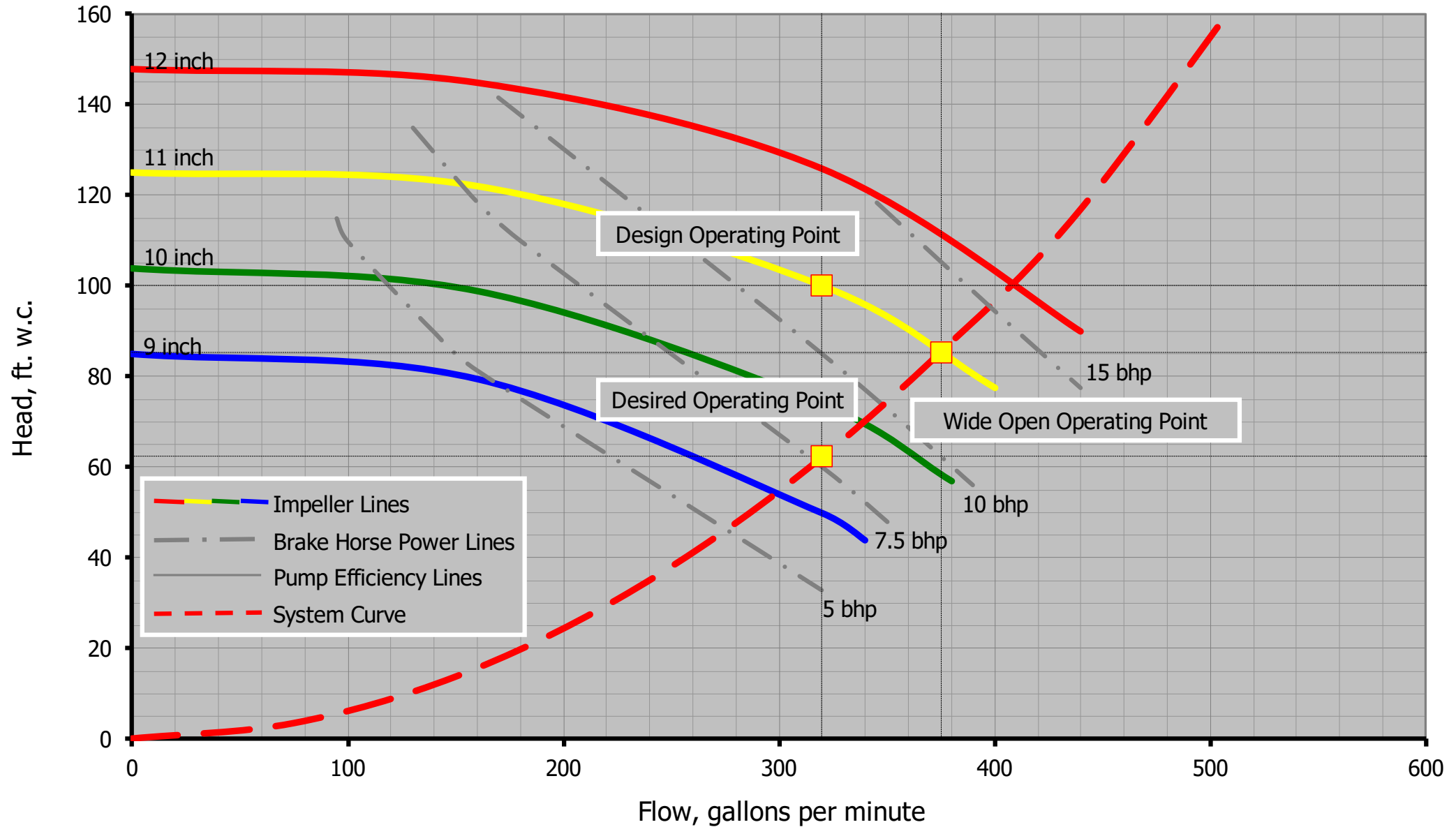
What Did You Learn?

Given the test data and the design flow requirement, is there a way you can predict the head required to deliver the design flow, and thus, the potential savings?



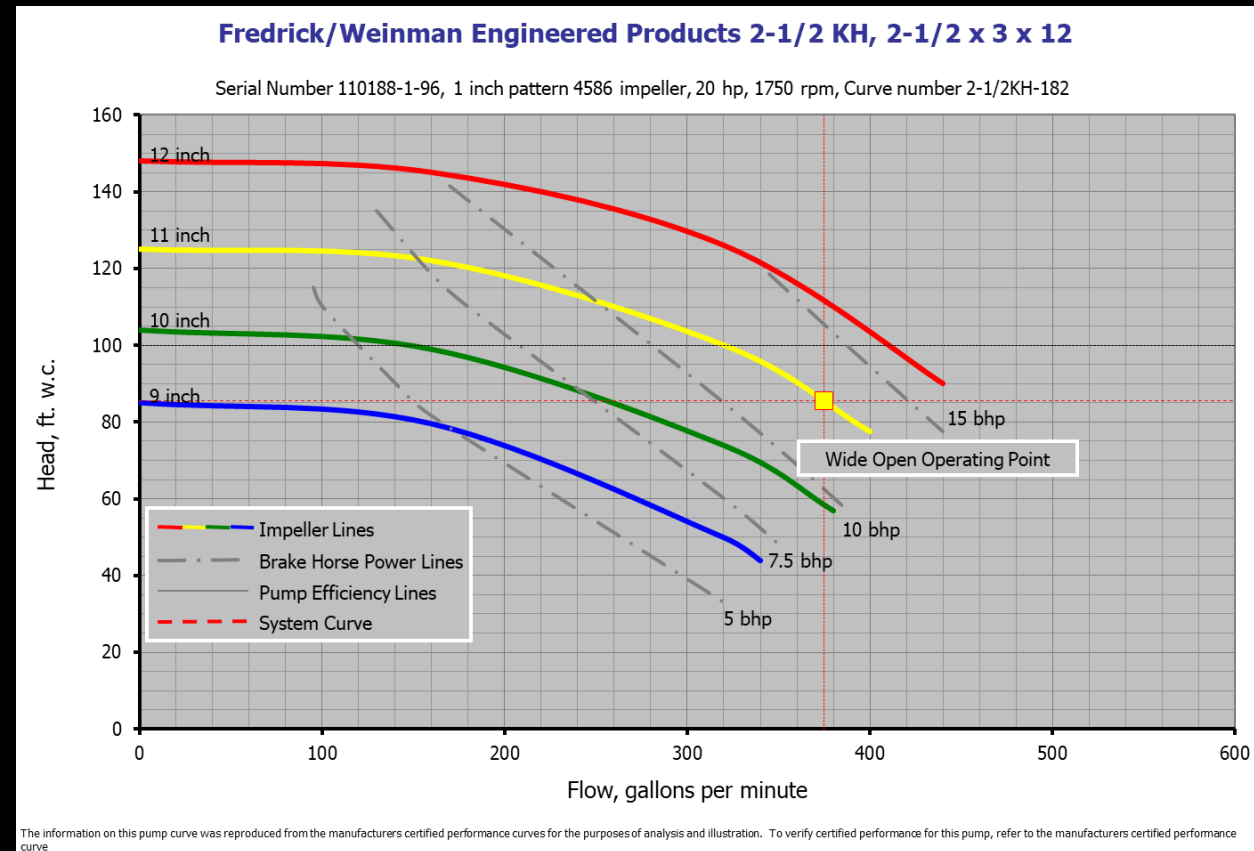
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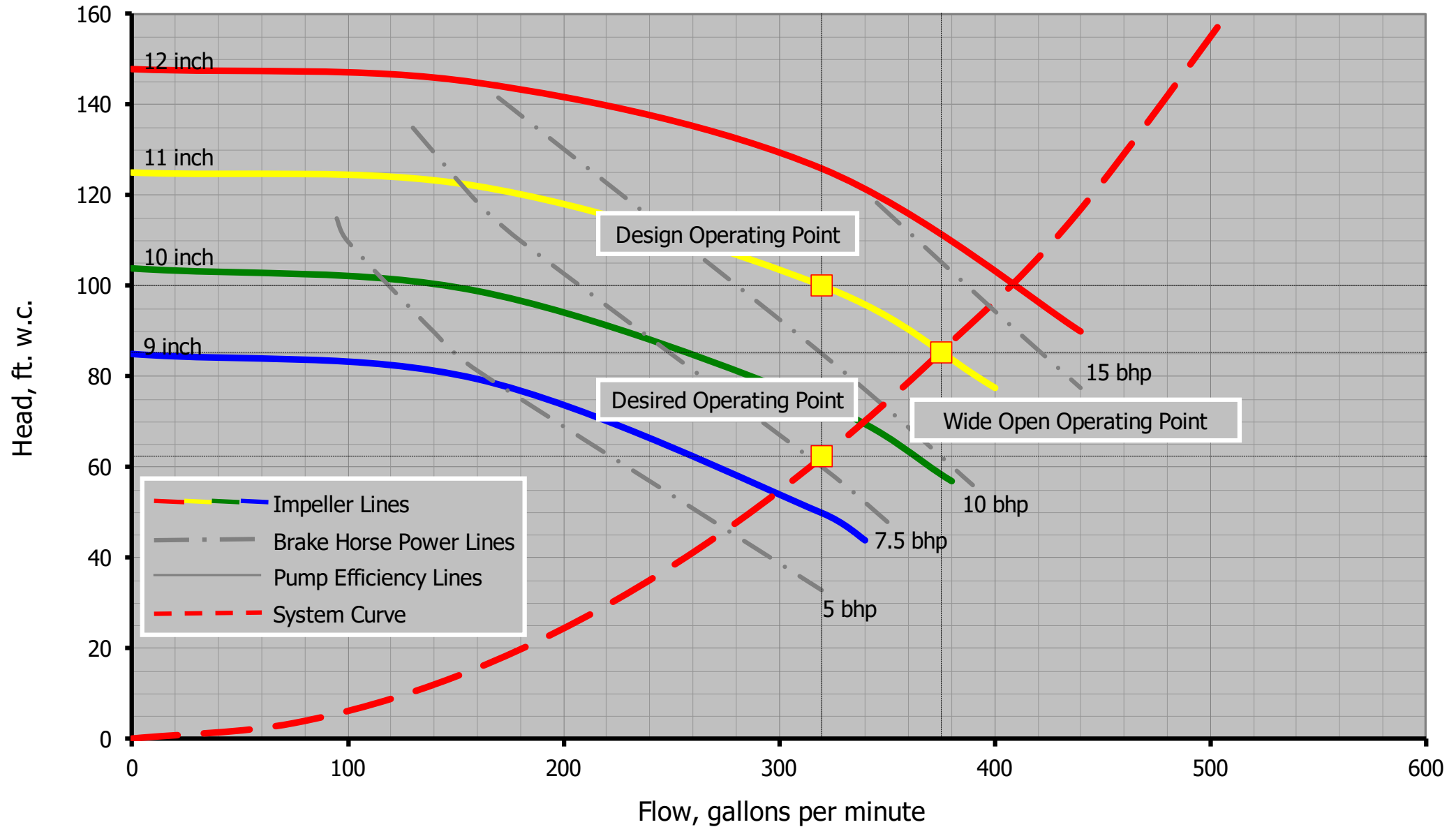
What Did You Learn?

What are the options for optimizing the pump?



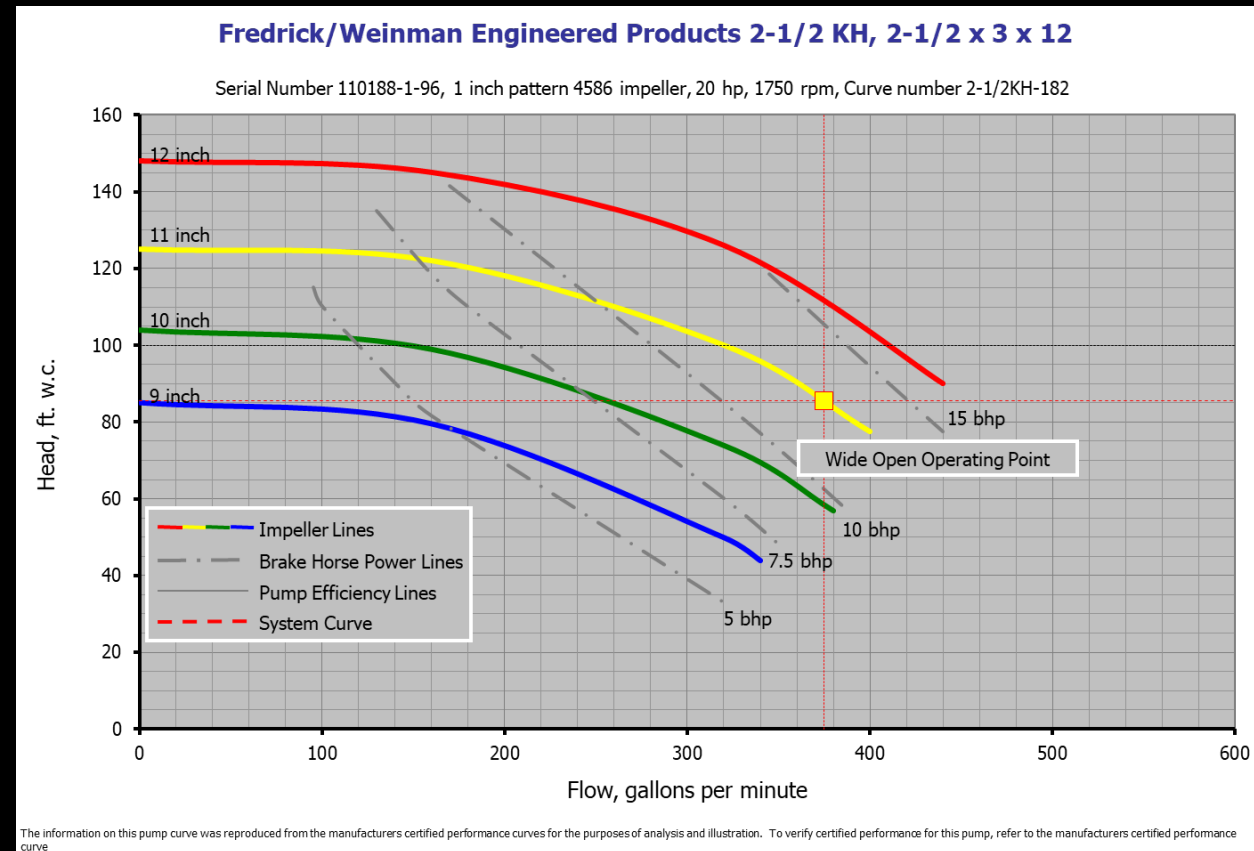
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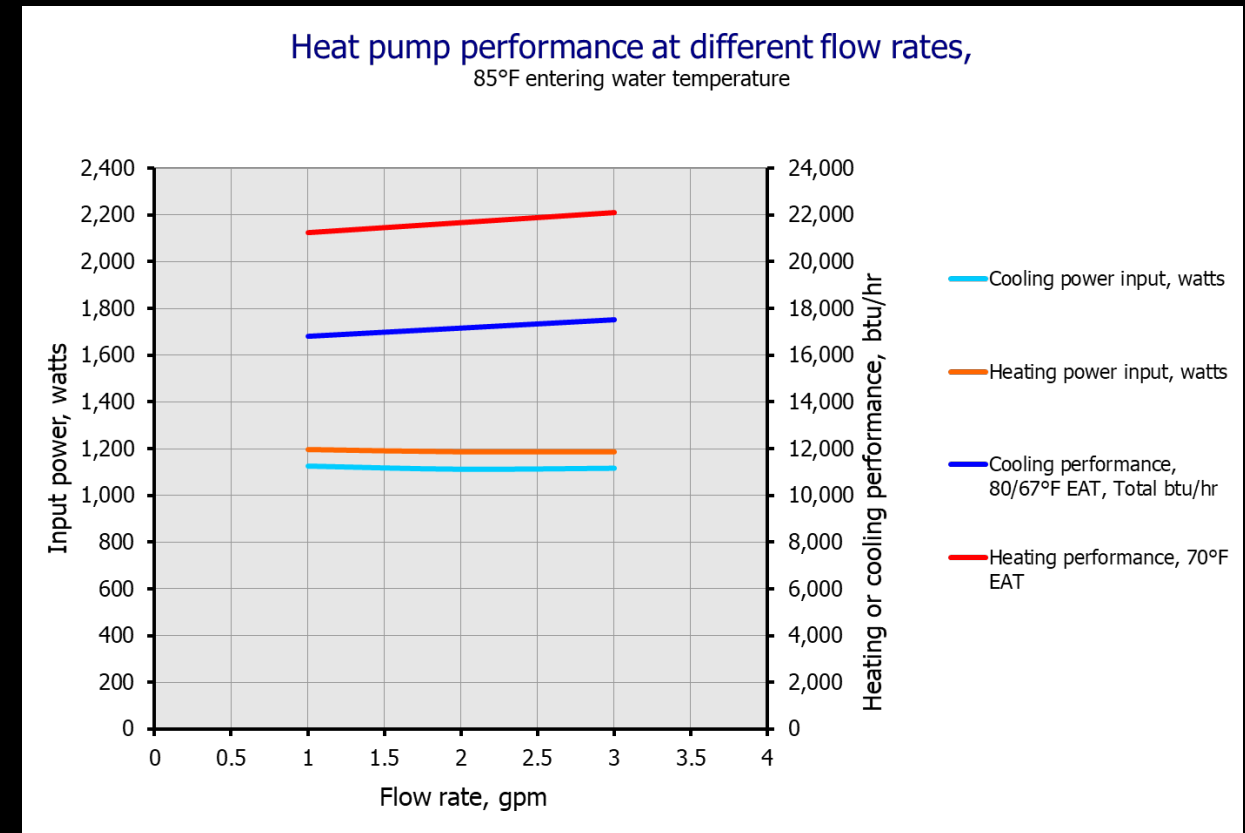
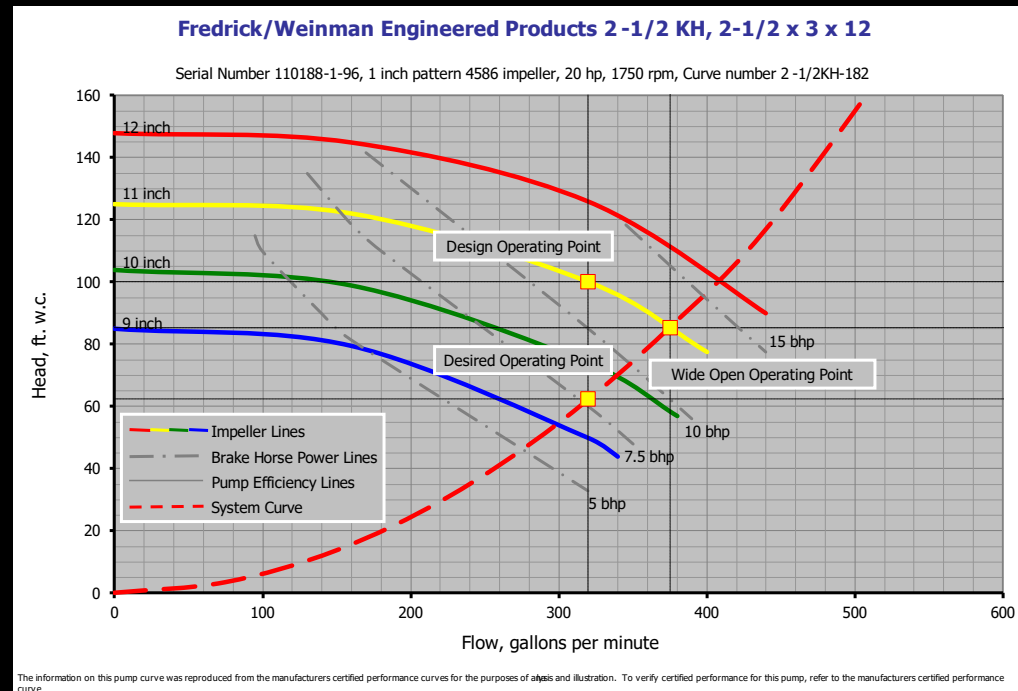
What Did You Learn?

If the pump is moving more flow than the design requirement, are there any potential benefits and if so, what are they?

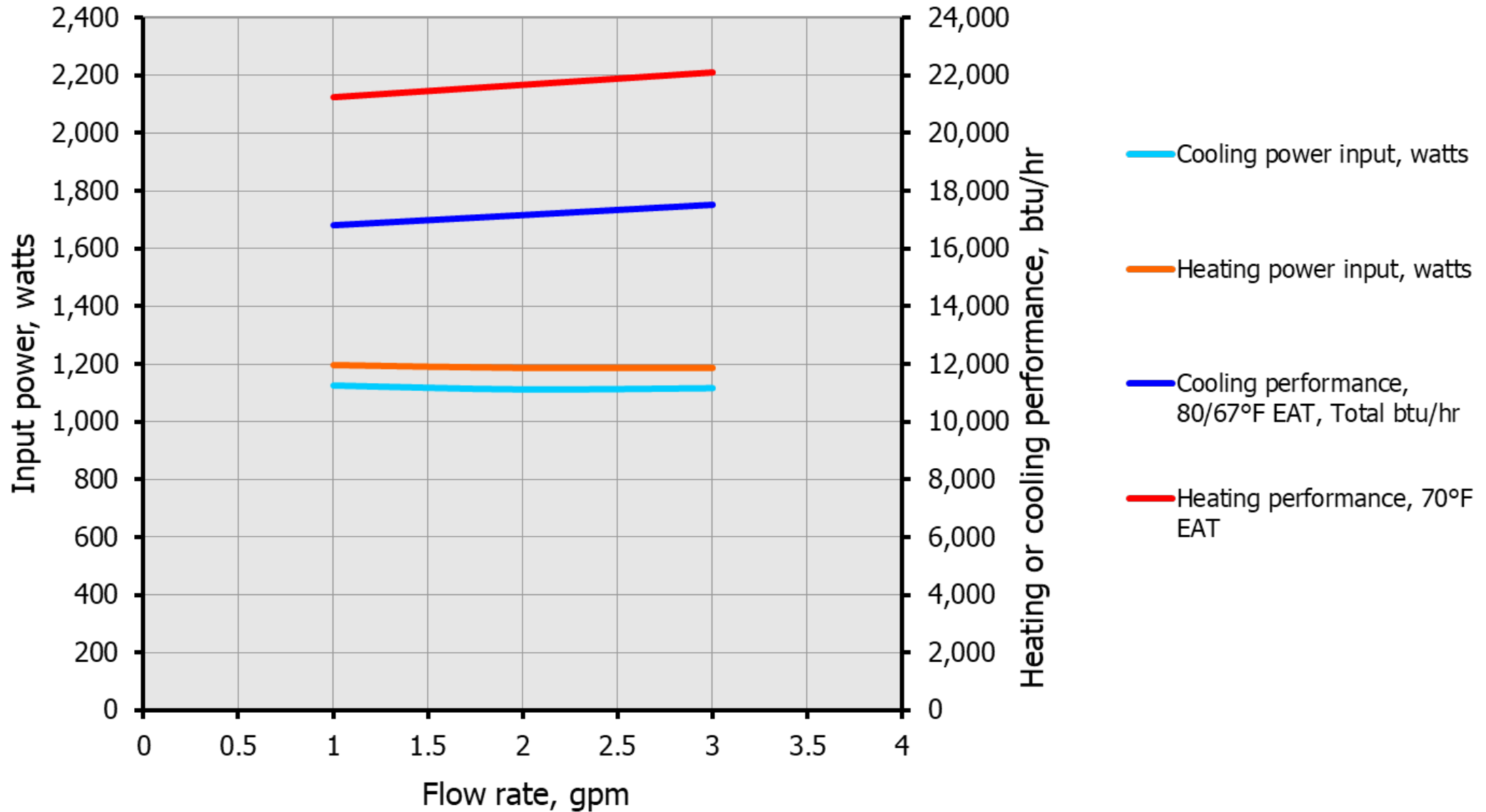


Considering Heat Pump Interactions

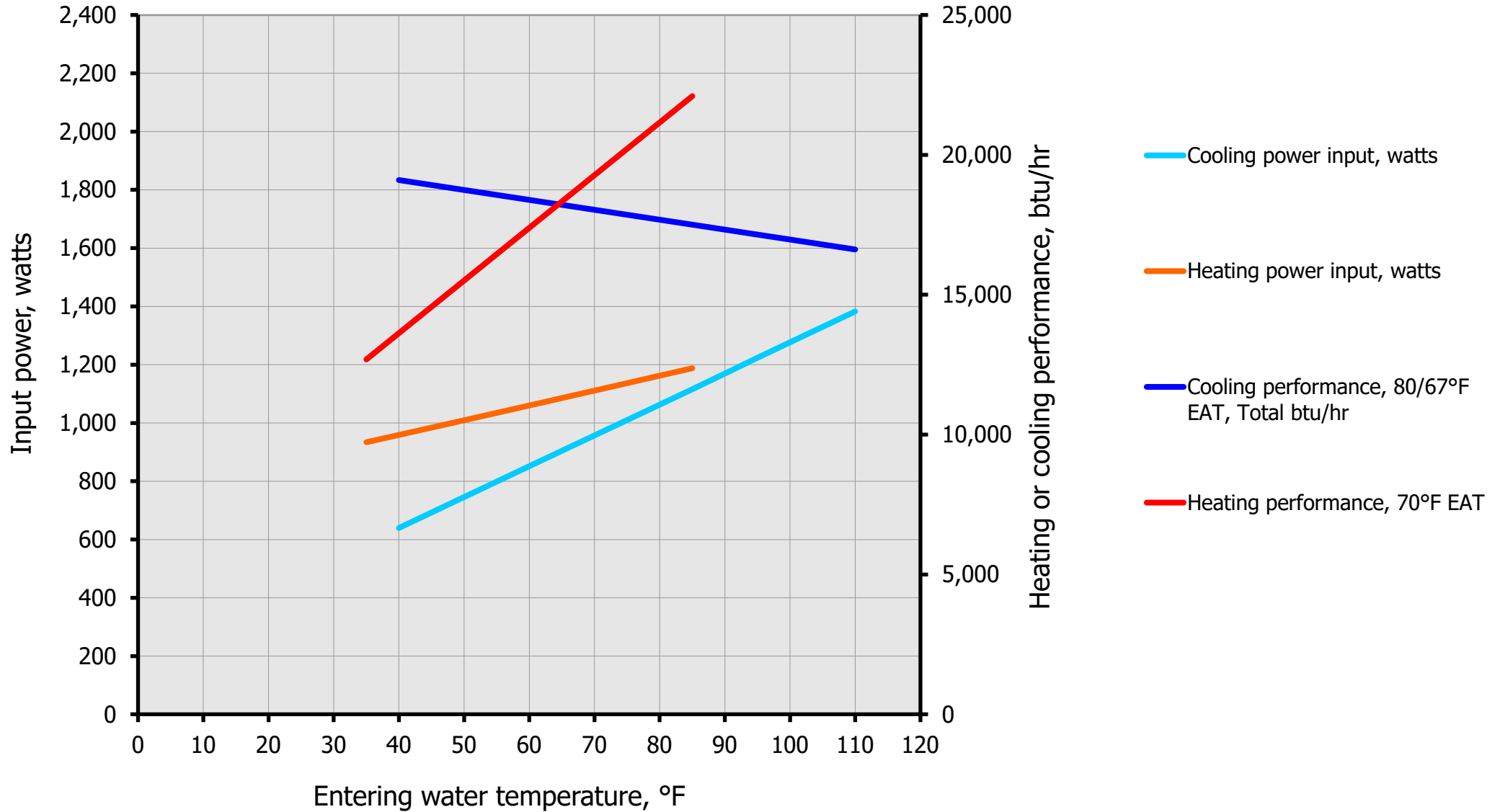
Heat pump performance can be impacted by the flows and temperatures in the system



Heat pump performance at different flow rates, 85°F entering water temperature



Heat pump performand at different entering water temperatures, 3 gpm flow rate



Bottom Lines

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2	GHL2 - Cycle cooling tower pump as 1st stage	0	\$0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0	N/A	Note 1
3	GHL8 - Bypassing Flow around Heat Exchang	0	\$0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0	No	
4	GHL5 - Trim Cooling Tower Pump	40,396	\$4,040	0	\$0	\$4,040	\$9,000	2.2	Yes	
5	GHL1, GHL3 - Optimize closed loop	277,192	\$27,719	48,094	\$37,513	\$65,232	\$140,199	2.1	Yes	
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Note that none of the savings opportunities are directly related to the heat pumps!

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VRF Systems (Again)

Variable Refrigerant Flow Systems (VRF)



- Complex!
- Move heat by using refrigerant instead of using water

<https://tinyurl.com/VRFAnimation>



Variable Refrigerant Flow Systems

- Key components
 - Indoor unit



Variable Refrigerant Flow Systems

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Variable Refrigerant Flow Systems

- Key components
 - Indoor unit
 - Outdoor unit



Variable Refrigerant Flow Systems

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 - Indoor unit
 - Outdoor unit
 - Branch Controller



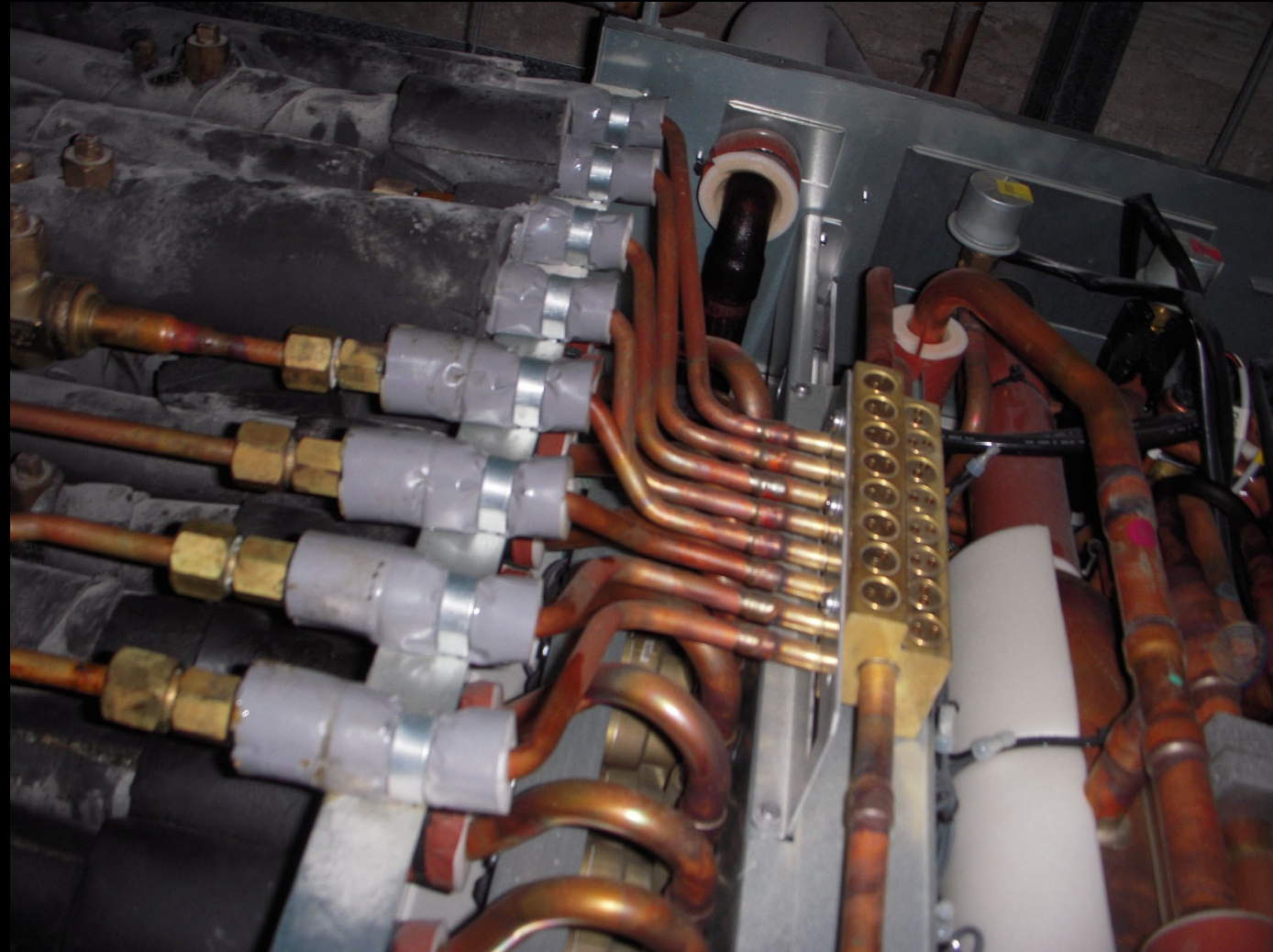
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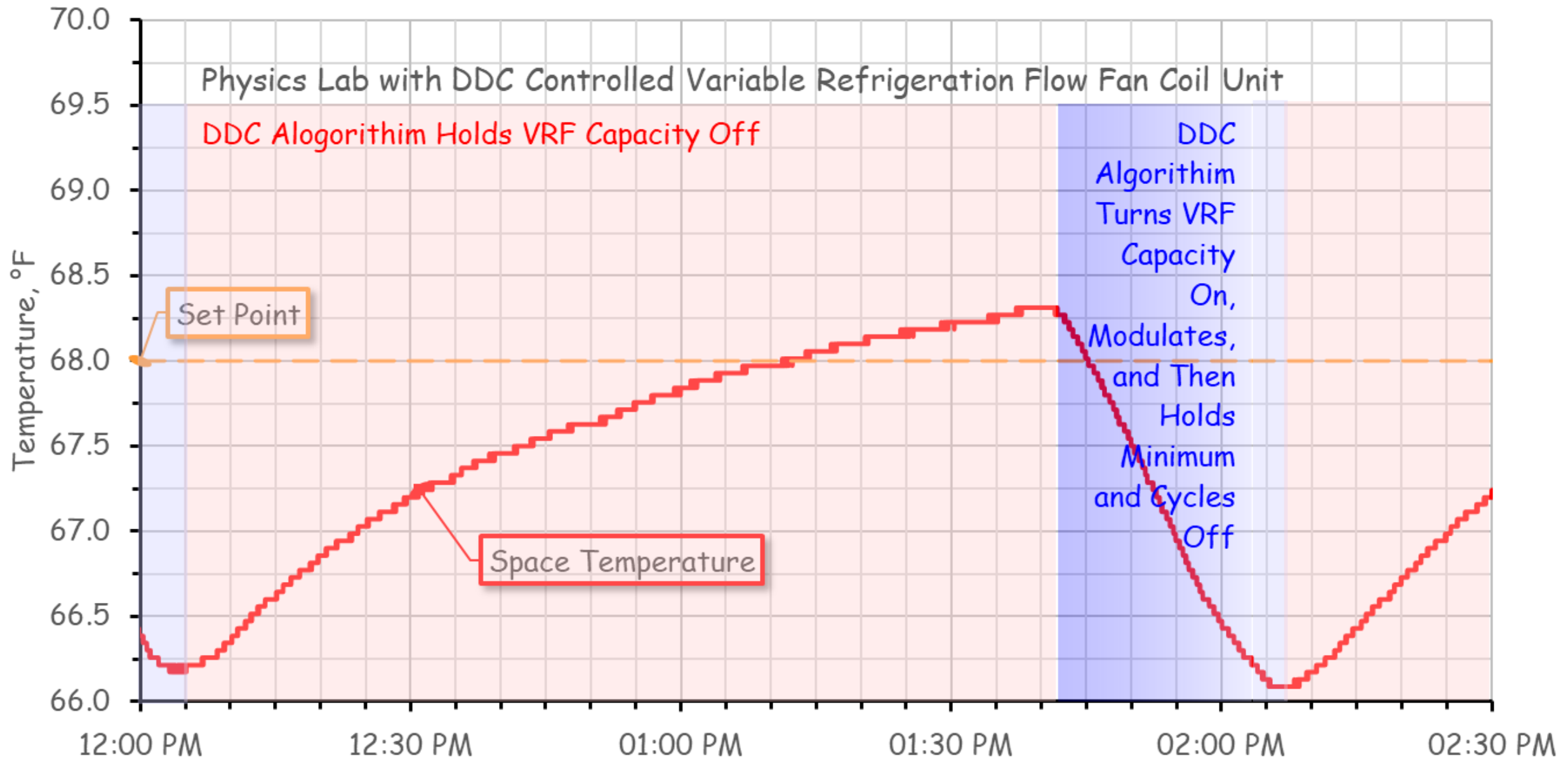


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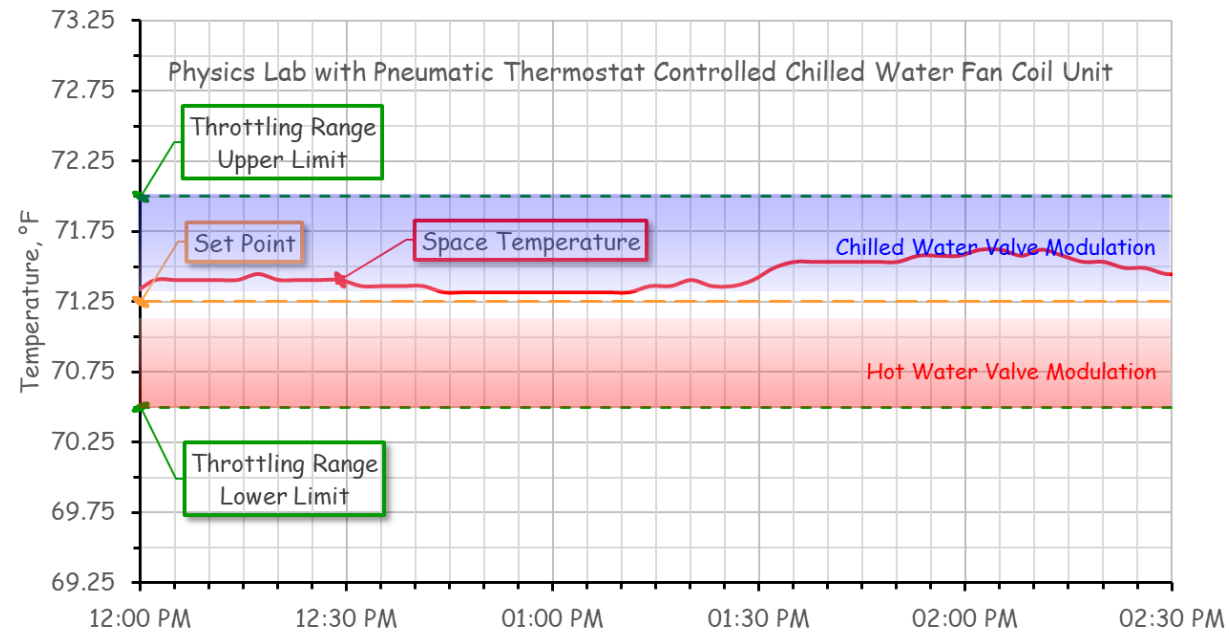
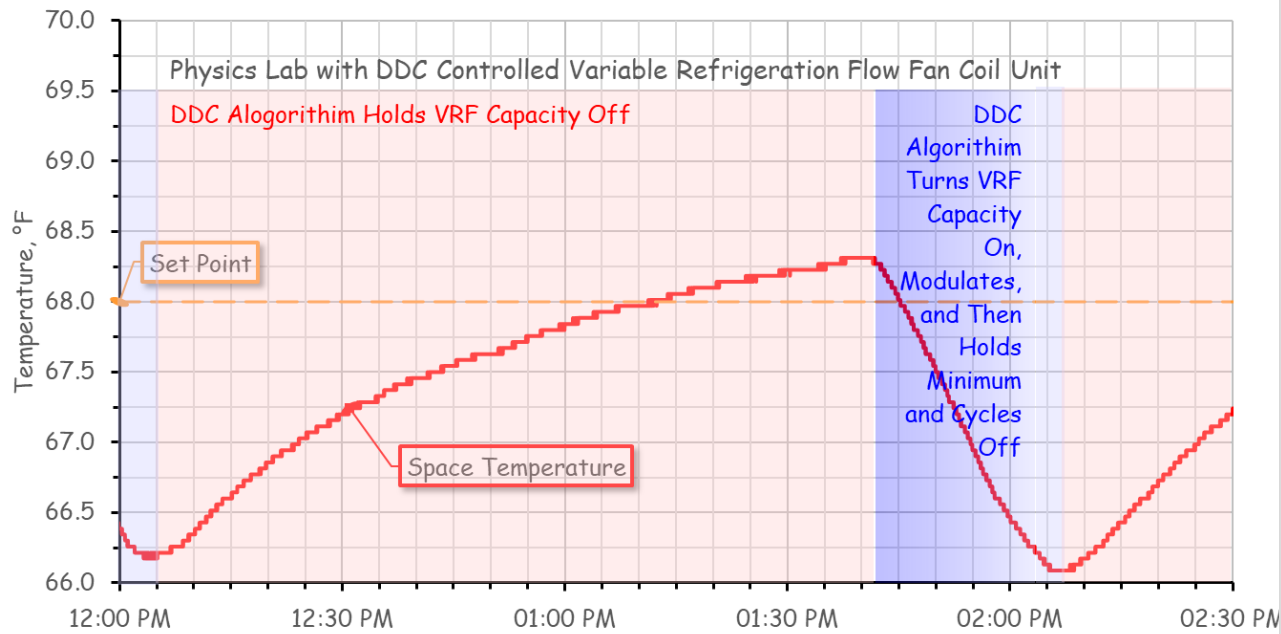
- Key components
 - Indoor unit
 - Outdoor unit
 - Branch Controller
 - Control System
 - Proprietary
 - Limited BACnet integration options
 - Maintenance tool is highly desirable option



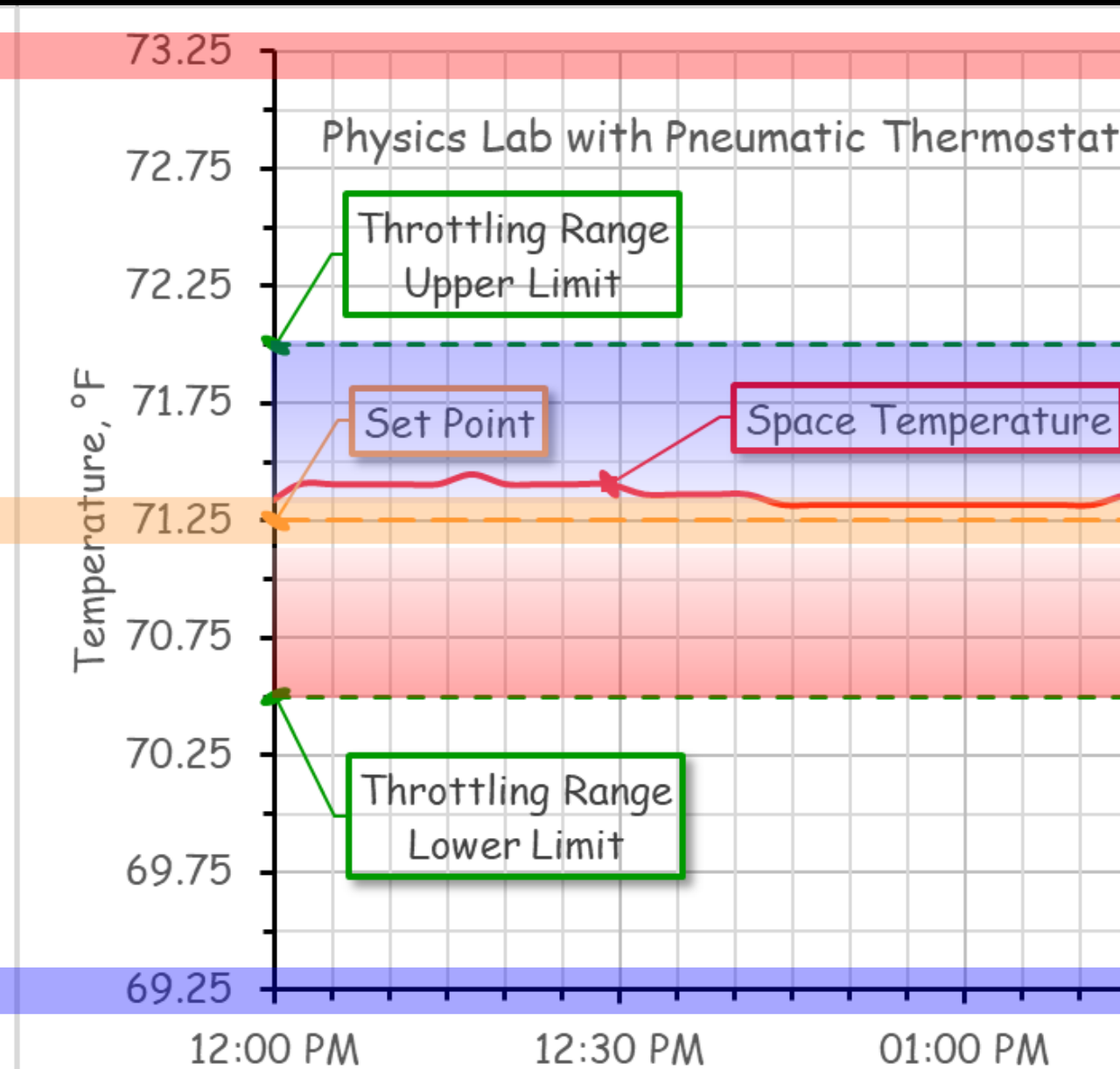
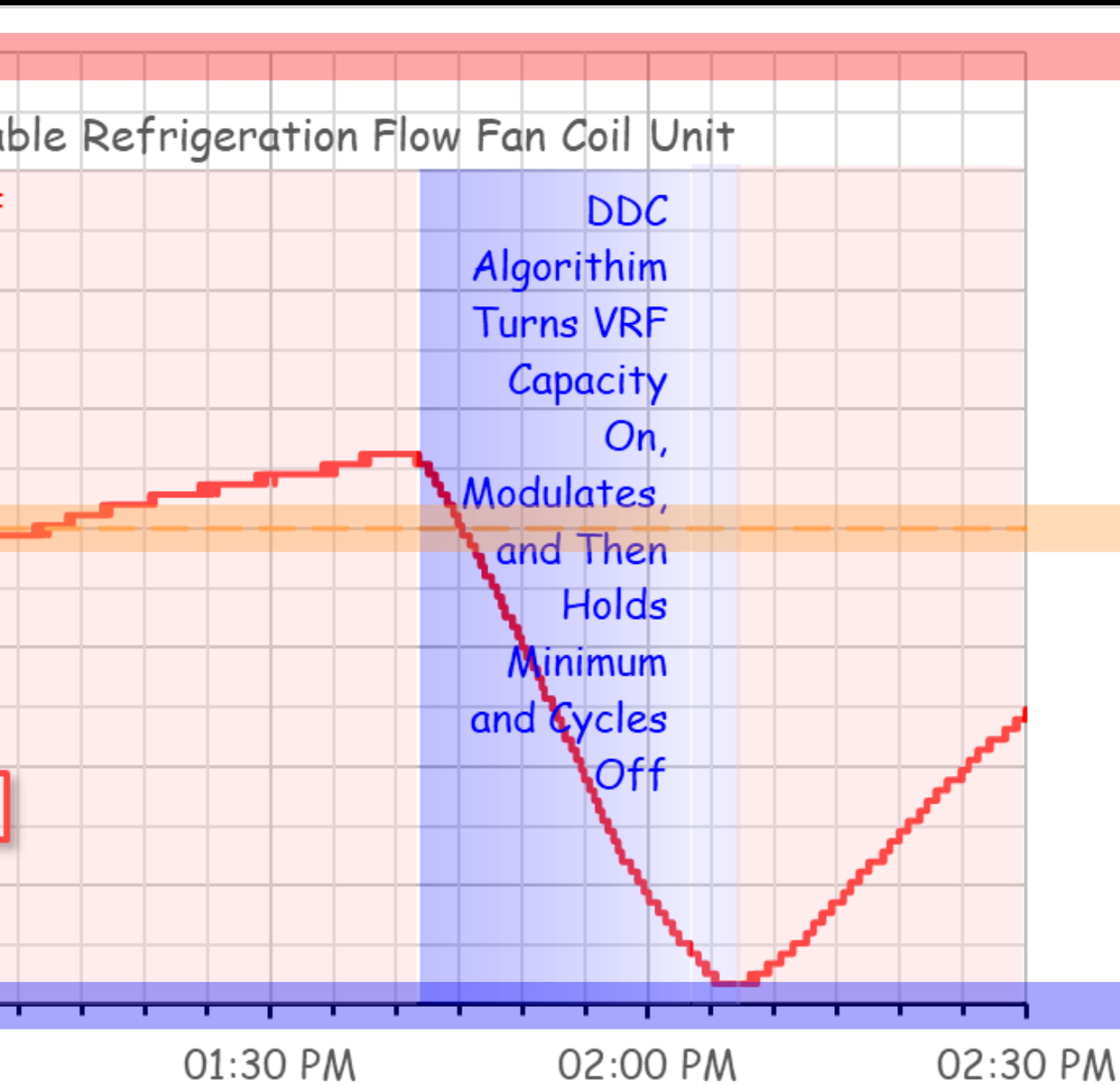
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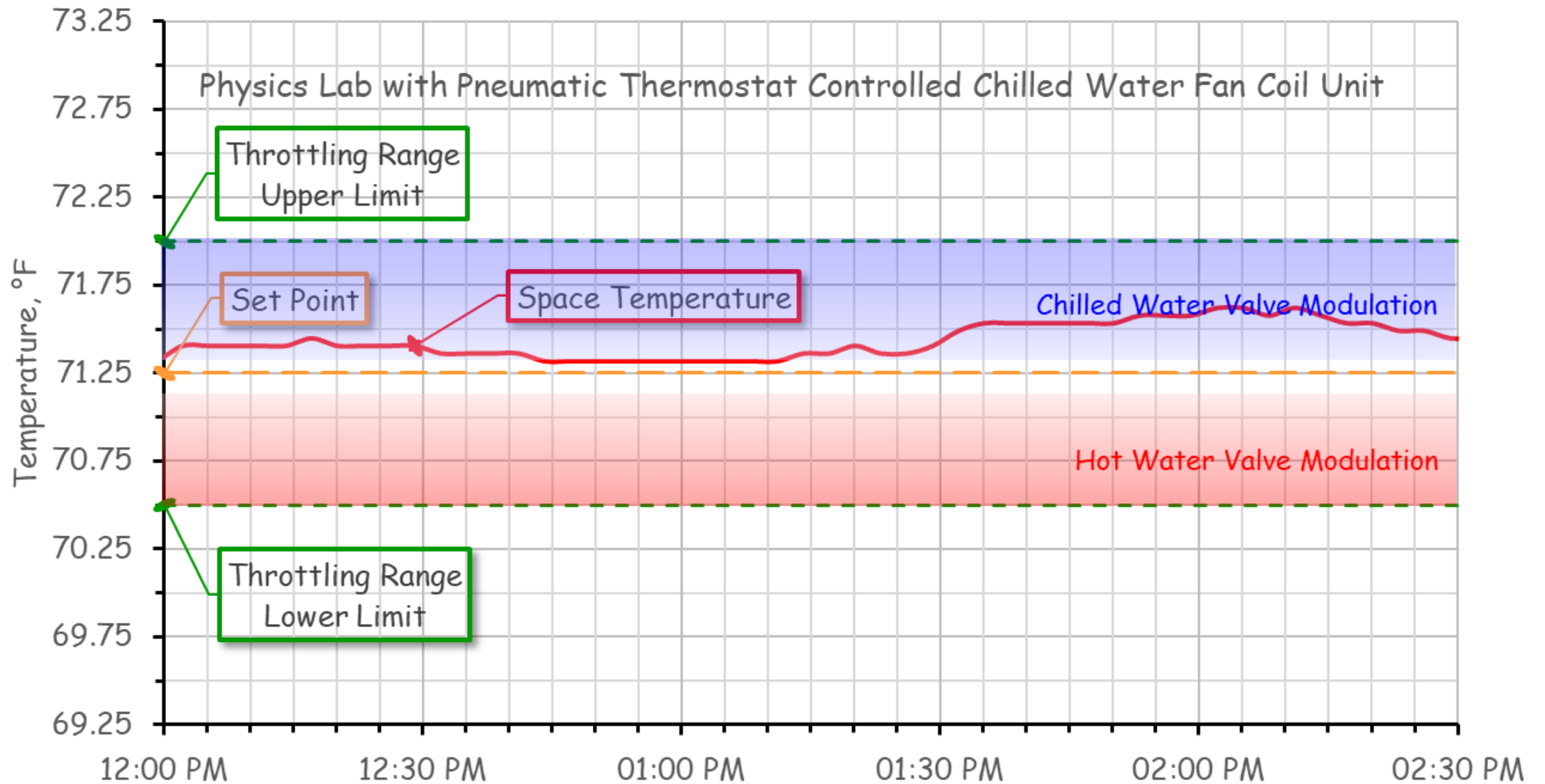
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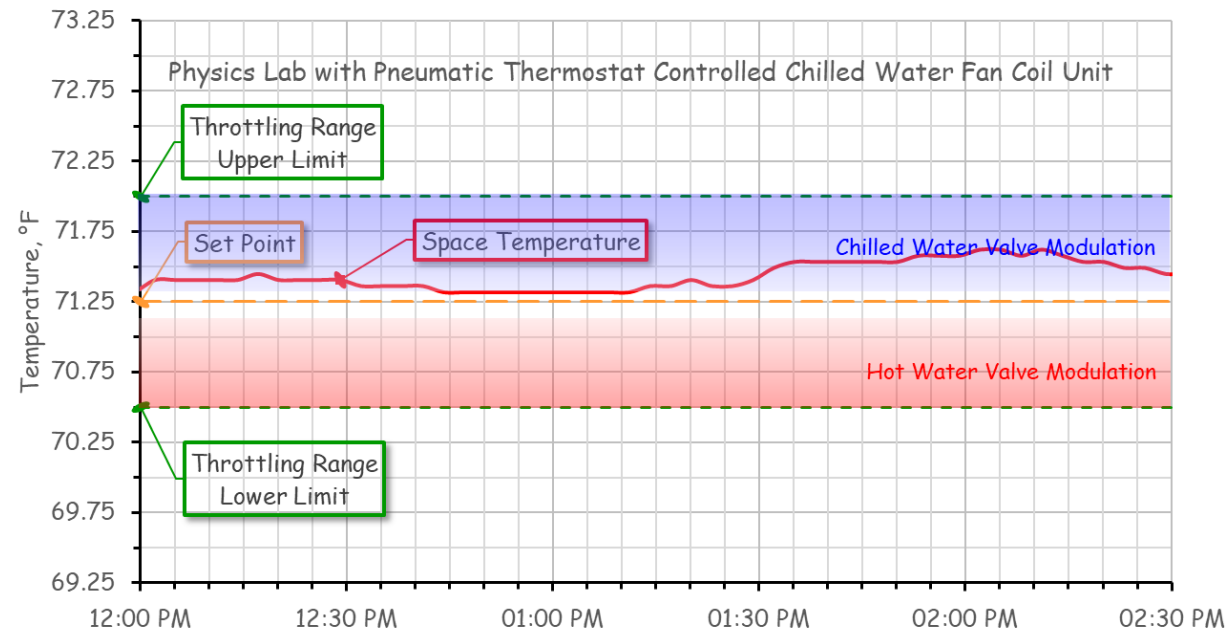
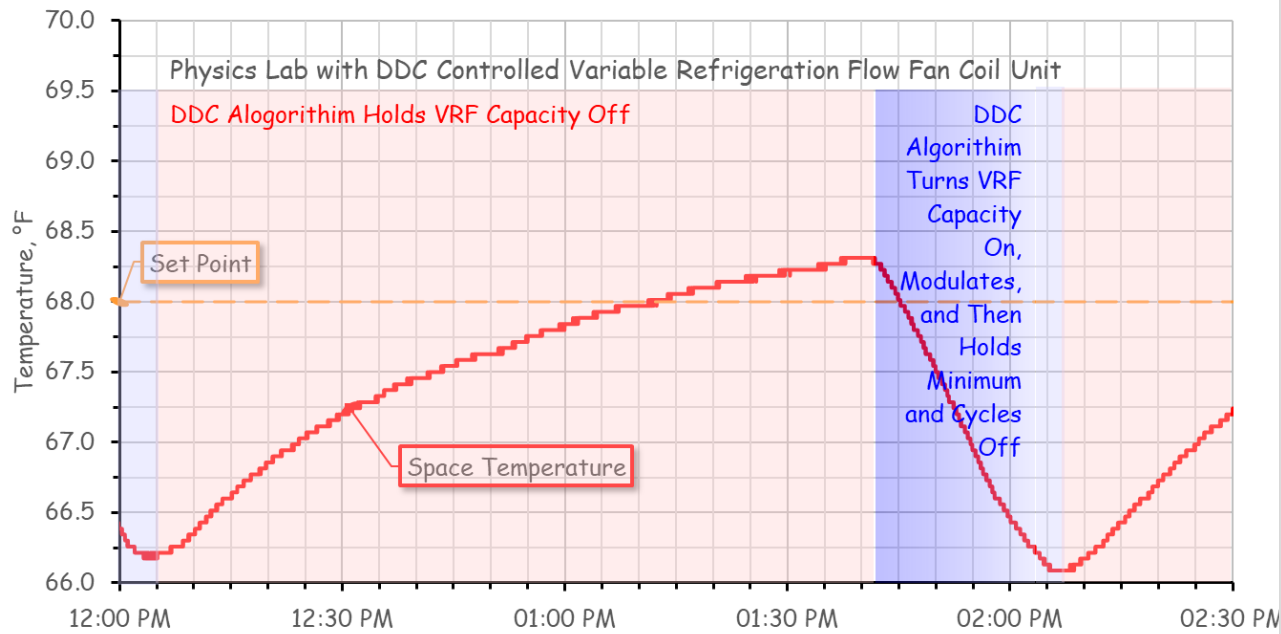
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VRF Systems

VRF Systems: The Good, The Bad and The Ugly

The Commissioning Perspective

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VRF Systems

Variable Flow Refrigeration (VRF) Systems Sequence of Operation

Overview

The VRF systems associated with this project operate using a proprietary digital control system that manages the interactions of the indoor units serving the occupied zones with the branch controllers and outdoor units serving the system.

The system is served by:

- Two Outdoor Units (ODU) that can serve as conventional condensers to reject heat to the ambient environment or near-conventional heat pumps to extract heat from the ambient environment, and
- Three Branch Controllers (BC) to manage and direct the flow of refrigerant between
- Twenty-five Indoor Units (IDUs) with certain coils that function as evaporators for a cooling cycle and condensers for a heating cycle.

Note that the ODUs are two different sizes and that each ODU contains two compressors. The ODUs are "twinned" which generally means they are piped in parallel and will operate as a unit with the Mitsubishi controllers using one as the master unit and the other as the slave unit, staging the compressors based on the operating mode and requirements of the system to optimize performance and efficiency.

This system configuration will allow:

1. Refrigerant to be sent to the outdoor units operating as conventional condensing units to reject heat if there is a net cooling requirement on the system, or
2. Refrigerant to be sent to the outdoor units operating as heat pumps to capture heat from the outdoors if there is a net heating requirement on the system, or
3. Refrigerant to be redirected from zone to zone for the purposes of heat recovery.

The system diagrams/operating diagrams used in the following section can be viewed as a narrated animation by downloading the Mitsubishi City Multi Refrigerant Flow Animation Application at www.mylinkdrive.com.

Full Cooling

This operating mode is virtually identical to a conventional direct expansion/vapor compression refrigeration process and is illustrated in Figure 1.

In this mode, refrigerant is evaporated in the coils in all zones to



Figure 1 - A VRF System Operating in the Full Cooling Mode

cool them. The heat is then rejected in the coils at the ODU which causes the refrigerant to condense.

In this operating mode the air leaving the ODU fan will be warmer than the ambient temperature. This condition is used by the control system as an indication that the ODU is in the cooling mode.

Full Heating

This operating mode is virtually identical to a conventional direct expansion/vapor compression process applied in a heat pump and is illustrated in Figure 2, although the coils in the condenser can use a liquid vapor mix entering them whereas heat pumps often receive only liquid refrigerant and the outdoor coil.

In this mode, refrigerant is condensed in the coils in all zones to heat them. Then, the refrigerant is evaporated in the coils at the ODU, which causes it to pick up heat from the ambient environment for use in heating the indoor zones.

In this operating mode the air leaving the ODU fan will be cooler than the ambient temperature. This condition is used by the control system as an indication that the ODU is in the heating mode.

Heat Recovery

There are three general operating states associated with the VRF system performing heat recovery.

Balanced System

This operating mode is illustrated in Figure 3.

In this operating mode, energy is transferred from the zones that require cooling to the zones that require heating with no heat being rejected or picked up at the coils in the ODU. This is the lowest energy state for the system because no ODU fan operation is required and because the refrigerant moving through the system does double duty by first passing through the coils where cooling is required and picking up energy and then moving to the coils where heating is required and giving that energy back up.

In this operating mode, the compressor operates but the ODU fan does not operate. The control system uses this as an indication that the system is in a balanced state.

More Zones in Heating than Cooling

This operating mode is illustrated in Figure 4.

This operating mode allows the VRF system to concurrently provide heating and cooling with the energy extracted from the zones needing cooling providing energy to the zones that need heat. But because more heat is required than is being recovered from the



Figure 2 - A VRF System Operating in Full Heating Mode

zones with a cooling load, the ODU coils are configured to recover heat from the ambient environment and the ODU operates as a heat pump.

As was the case for the full heating mode, the ODU coil receives a mix of liquid and gaseous refrigerant, and the air leaving the ODU fan is cooler than the ambient air. The control system uses the cooler air leaving the ODU fan in combination with a mixed operating state of the VRF Indoor Unit (IDU) zones (some in heating and some in cooling) as an indication that the system is in this operating state.

More Zones in Cooling than Heating

This operating mode is illustrated in Figure 5.

This operating mode is similar to the operating mode discussed in the preceding paragraph in that it allows the VRF system to concurrently provide heating and cooling with the energy extracted from the zones needing cooling providing energy to the zones that need heat. But because the heat that needs to be rejected by the zones in cooling exceeds the amount of heat required by the zones in heating, the ODU coils receive hot gas and the ODU fan operates to .

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Proprietary Digital Control System

The various elements in the VRF system are managed by a stand-alone proprietary digital control system that is capable of providing all of the functionality necessary to operate the system, perform diagnostics, schedule equipment, and track energy consumption including providing web-based access to these features from a central location. However, since the City of Seattle is a sole source Siemens site, the Mitsubishi control system will be integrated with the Siemens control system using BACnet as well as dedicated physical points that are hardwired into the Siemens control system.

The two primary control elements of the Mitsubishi Control network are the Network Manager and the IDU Remote Controllers.

The Mitsubishi AE-200 controller functions as the network manager for the Mitsubishi control system. It shall be furnished



Figure 3 - A VRF System Operating in a Balanced State

and programmed by the Mitsubishi installing contractor and will be mounted by the Mitsubishi Instrumentation contractor in an enclosure furnished by the Mechanical Instrumentation contractor.

The Mechanical Instrumentation contractor shall also furnish and install all wiring, raceways and accessories required for a complete wiring system and shall make final terminations to the Mitsubishi equipment in coordination with the Mitsubishi Installing Contractor.

Commissioning shall be performed in conjunction with the Commissioning Provider, the Mitsubishi installing contractor and the Mechanical Instrumentation contractor with support from the design and construction team as required by the contract documents.

The AE-200 provides the following functions for this project.

- Master control functions for the network
- Operation and monitoring of the VRF equipment in the facility
- BACnet functions as required to integrate with the Siemens system
- Web browser access to allow a user with proper credentials to access the system via a web browser for monitoring, operation, energy management, and maintenance functions.

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Figure 4 - A VRF System with a Net Heating Requirement on the System



Figure 5 - A VRF System with a Net Cooling Requirement on the System



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Taking a closer look at the details



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Class Survey

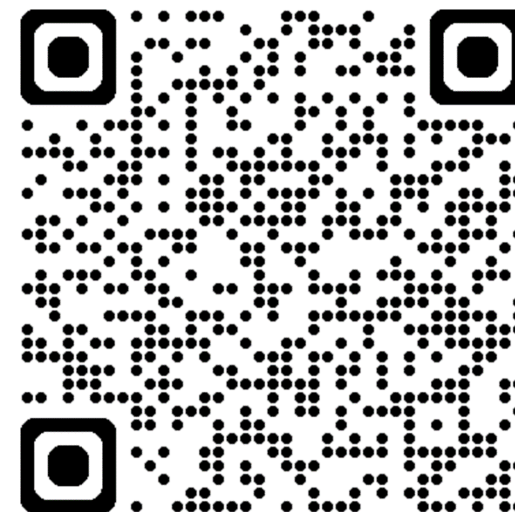
The survey should only take 2 minutes and your responses can be confidential.

Here's how to participate:

- Click the provided link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/EWB20240528CHP>

Scan the QR code with your phone's camera





Break Time

We will be back at 11:55 am Pacific Time



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