

# NIAB CAMPUS

## HYDERABAD SUSTAINABLE STRATEGIES

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# **Sustainable 3M strategy to improve environmental performance**

## **1. MEASURE**

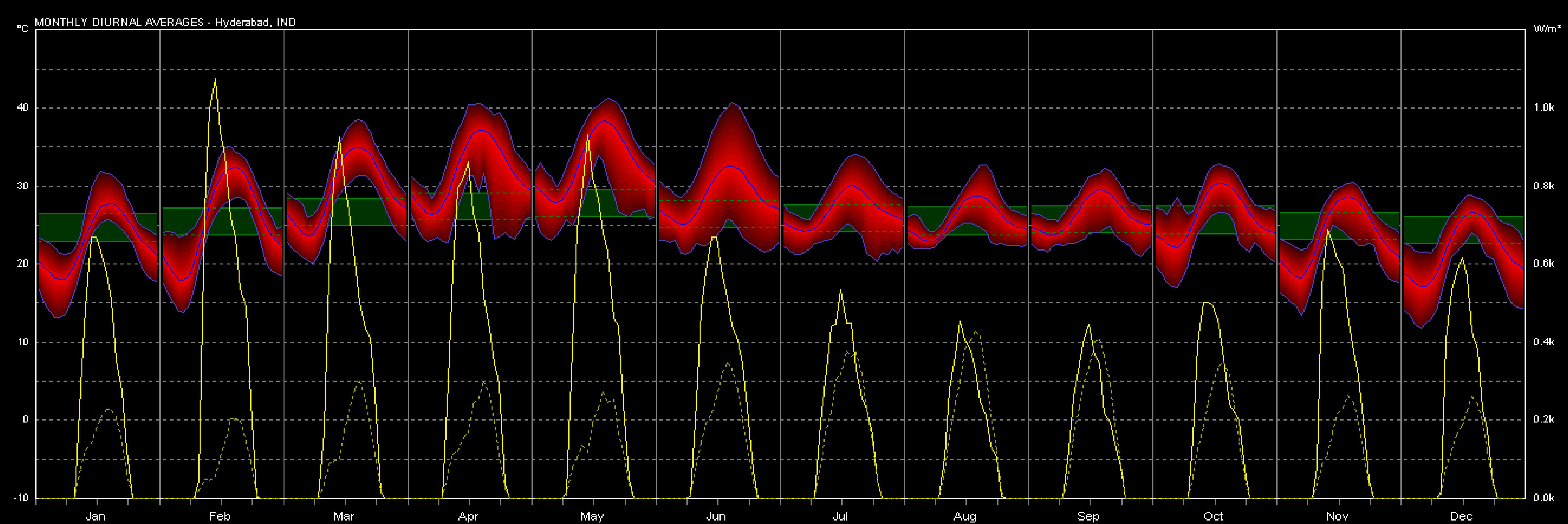
- Climate Analysis & Heat load calculations.

## **2. MINIMISE**

- Building Orientation
- Urban Fabric & Micro Climate – Open, Transition & Built Spaces
- HVAC – Radiant Cooling System (efficient cooling system)
- Building Fabric & Air-conditioning – Double Skin Façade

## **3. MITIGATE**

- Photovoltaic panel roof over courtyard



## Climate Analysis -

**INTRODUCTION** - The data in this section is based on the weather file obtained for Hyderabad from the Energy Plus website. The climate of Hyderabad can be defined as Composite. The fig. Above shows that the annual cycle can be sub-divided into three seasons.

**Hot & Dry (summers)** – It is predominantly hot and dry and it stays so for 4 months.

- The mean outdoor temperature during day-time in this season goes over 40 deg.

- The average diurnal range in this season is quite High ranging between 12-15 deg.

- The percentage of direct radiation in this season is as very high as compare to percentage of diffuse radiation with 10 hours of sunshine.

- The relative humidity drops down below 40% during day-time on daily basis.

**Warm & Humid (monsoon)** – The monsoon comes during month of July which brings a sigh of relief to local people as the humidity level rises above 70% on average with occasional rainfall.

- The average diurnal range in this season is quite low ranging between 5-7 deg.

- The percentage of direct radiation in this season is quite similar to diffuse radiation.

- The average monthly wind speed during this season is quite good ranging between 4 to 5 m/s, it helps in mitigating the affects of increase in relative humidity to achieve thermal comfort.

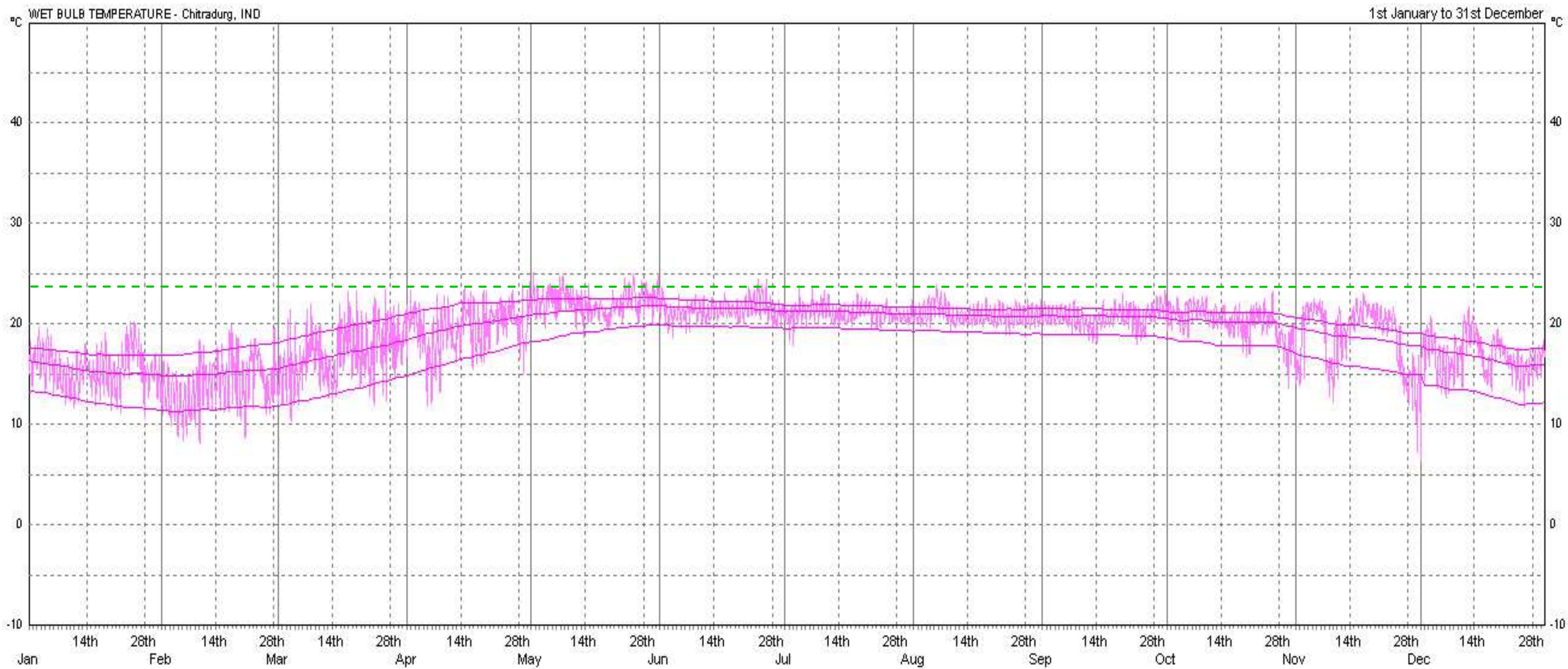
**Cold & Dry (winter)** – In winters the outdoor temperature remains cold through-out the period of 3 months.

- The mean maximum outdoor temperature during day-time in this season occasionally goes over 25 deg.

- The mean outdoor temperature during this season remains in the comfort zone.

- Decrease in relative humidity below 60% and temperature within the comfort zone thermal comfort can be easily achieved.

- There is a strong potential of free cooling and natural ventilation during this season as the external air temperature lies predominantly within the comfort zone.



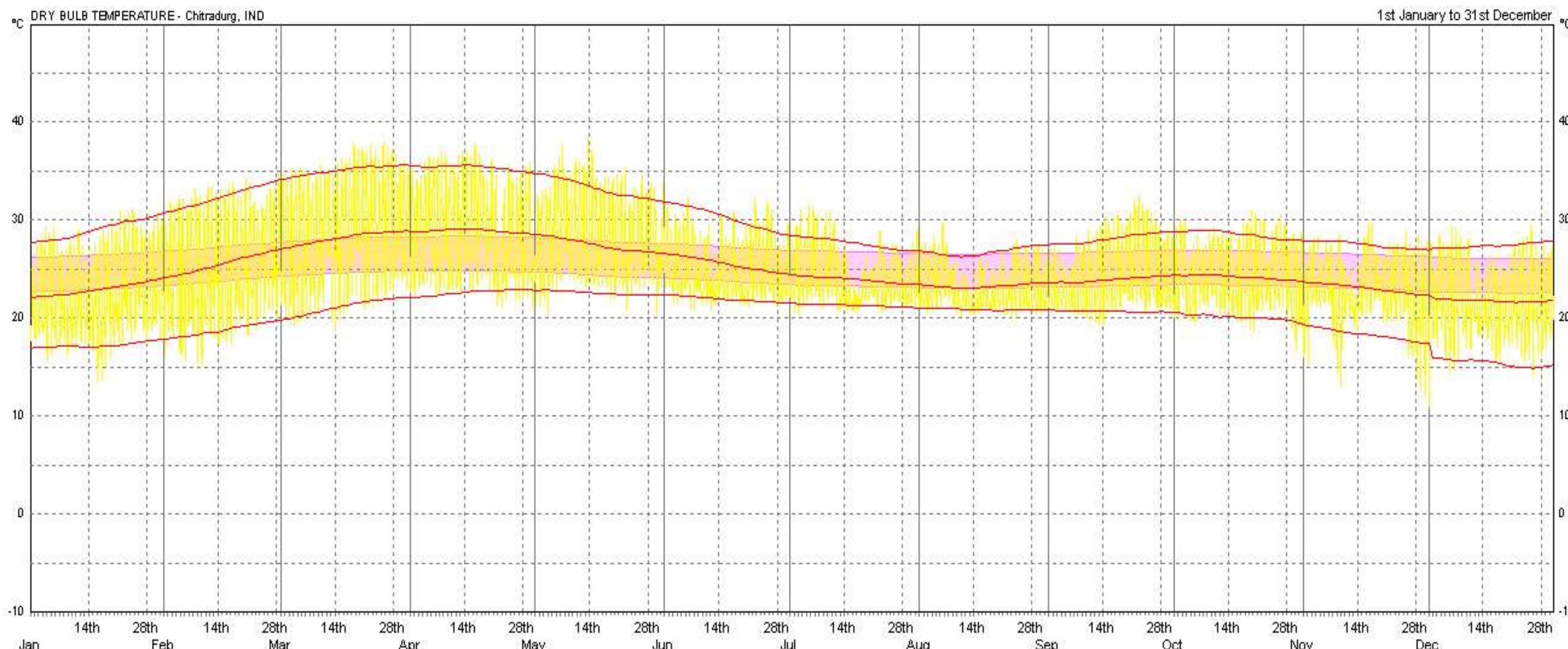
Average monthly Wet-Bulb temperature

**Evaporative cooling potential – Basic criteria for applicability of evaporative cooling are:**

1. Wet-bulb temperature should not exceed the maximum limit of 24 deg.

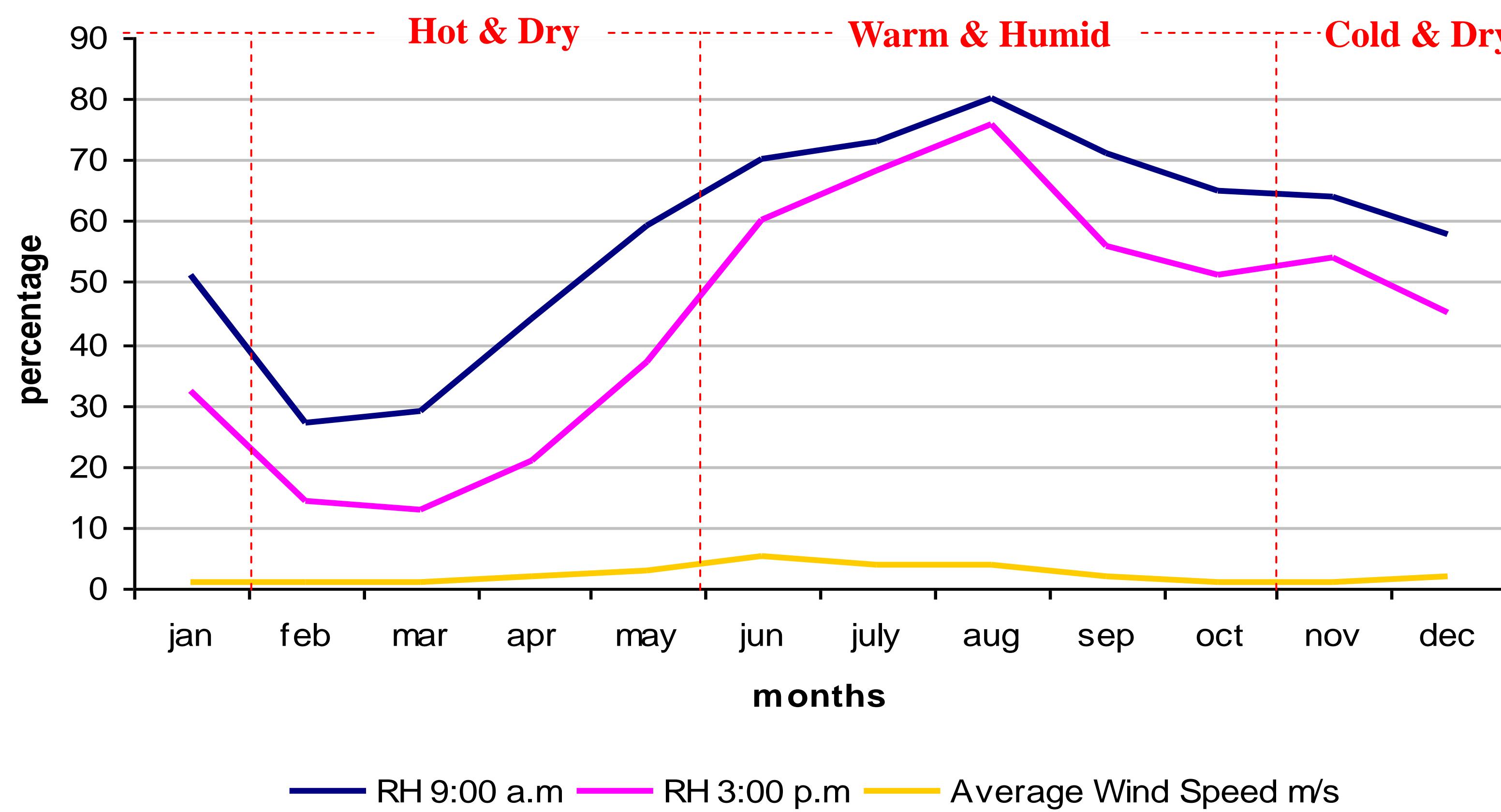
2. The wet-bulb depression, which is difference between the dry-bulb temperature and wet-bulb temperature should range between 12k-15k.

Figure on the left shows that other than on few occasions in May & June the wet-bulb temperature never exceeds the upper limit of 24 deg. However, the wet-bulb depression only meets the criteria for the applicability of evaporative cooling during summers when the dry-bulb temperature exceeds 35 deg. The wet bulb depression during this season ranges between 12deg.–15deg. Hence, the evaporative can only be effective to provide outdoor or indoor comfort during these four months when the weather stays hot & dry.



Average monthly Dry-Bulb temperature

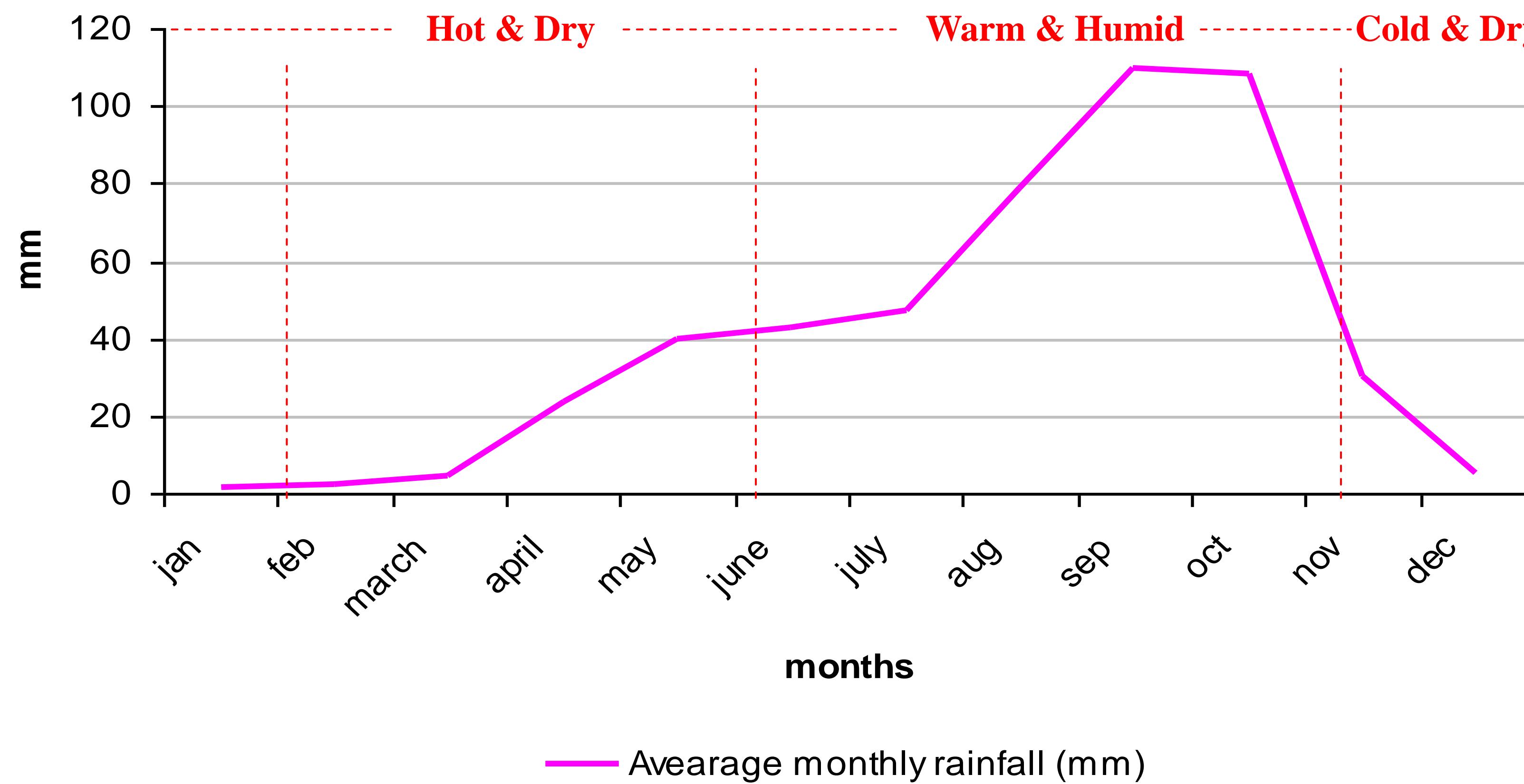
## Average Relative Humidity



### Relative Humidity -

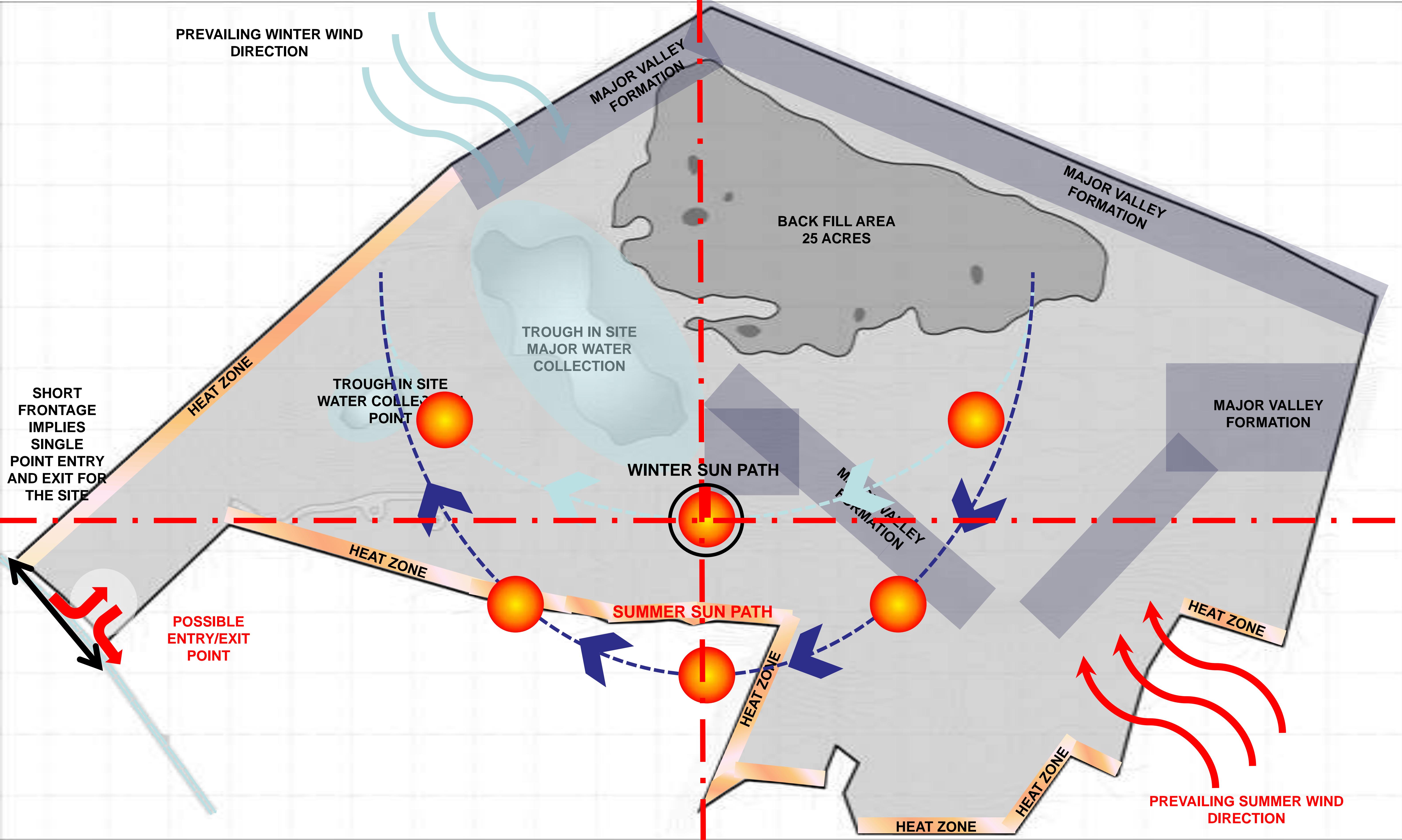
- ↑ In summers relative humidity drops down below 40%. Hence, quite often results in discomfort. There is a tremendous potential of evaporative cooling in such situation to provide outdoor as well as indoor comfort.
- ↑ The relative humidity in monsoon increases beyond 70% decreasing the potential of evaporative or radiative cooling during this period.
- ↑ Increased ventilation can be an idol strategy in such warm & humid conditions.
- ↑ During Warm & Dry winters humidity level varies between the desirable range of 50-60%, which enhances the potential of achieving thermal comfort through natural ventilation or free cooling.

## Average monthly rainfall (mm)



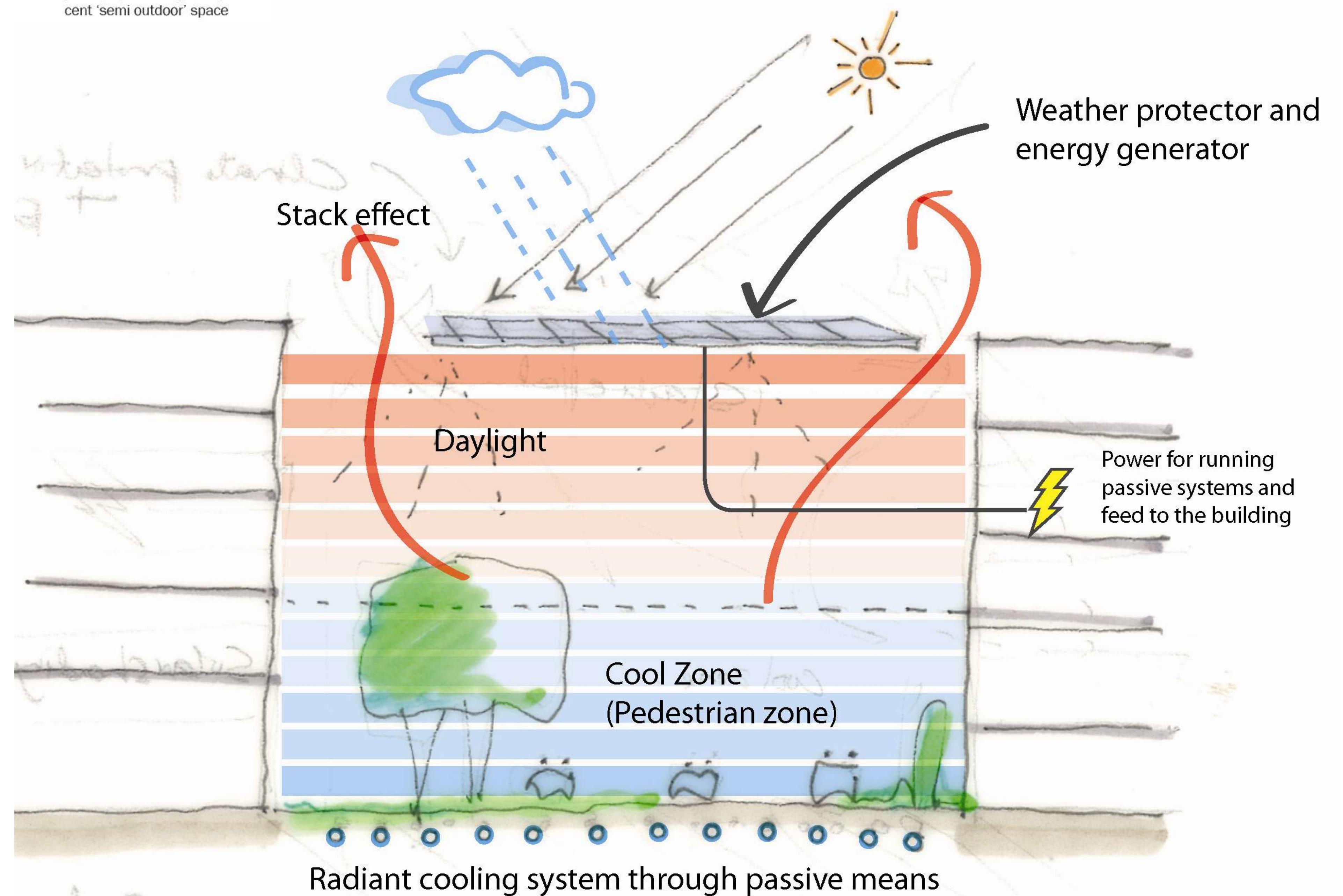
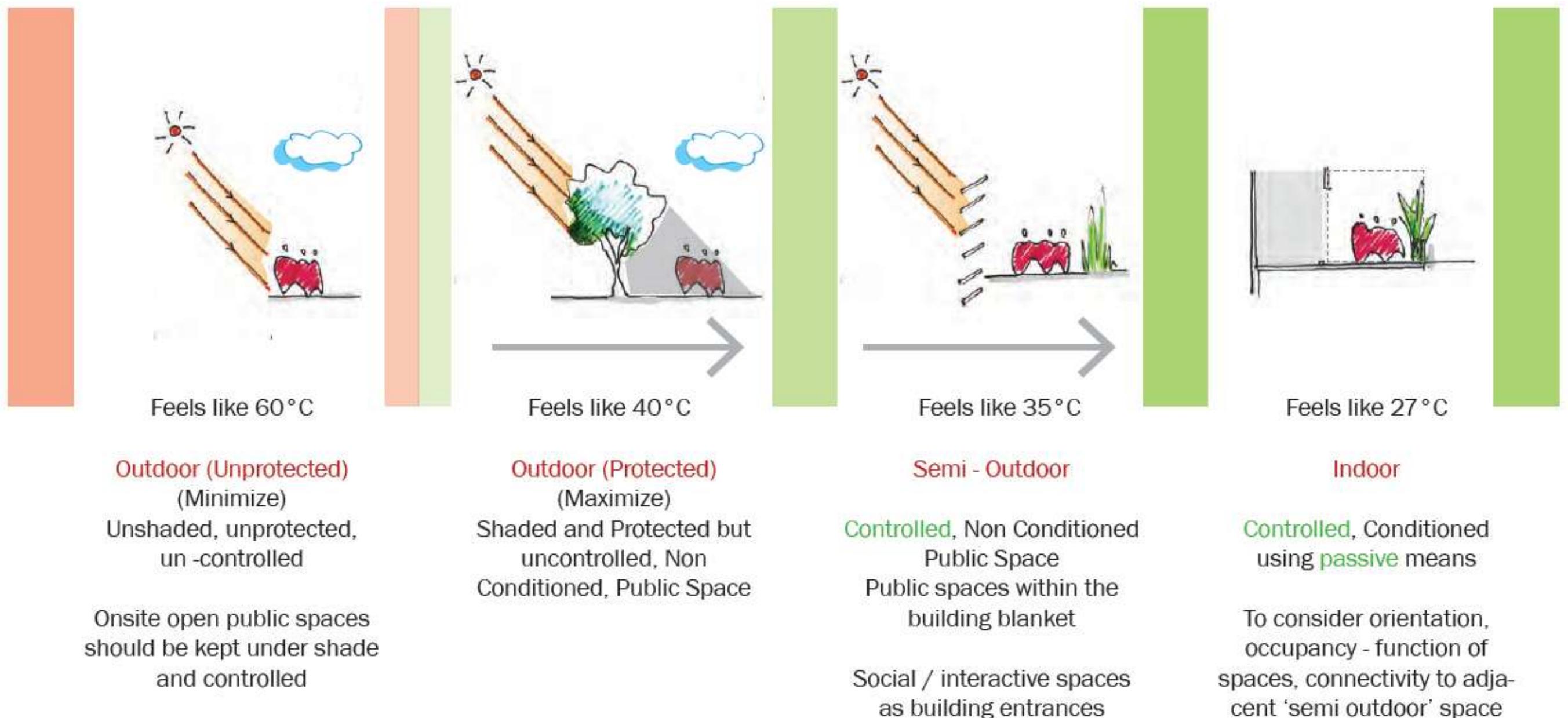
### Rainfall –

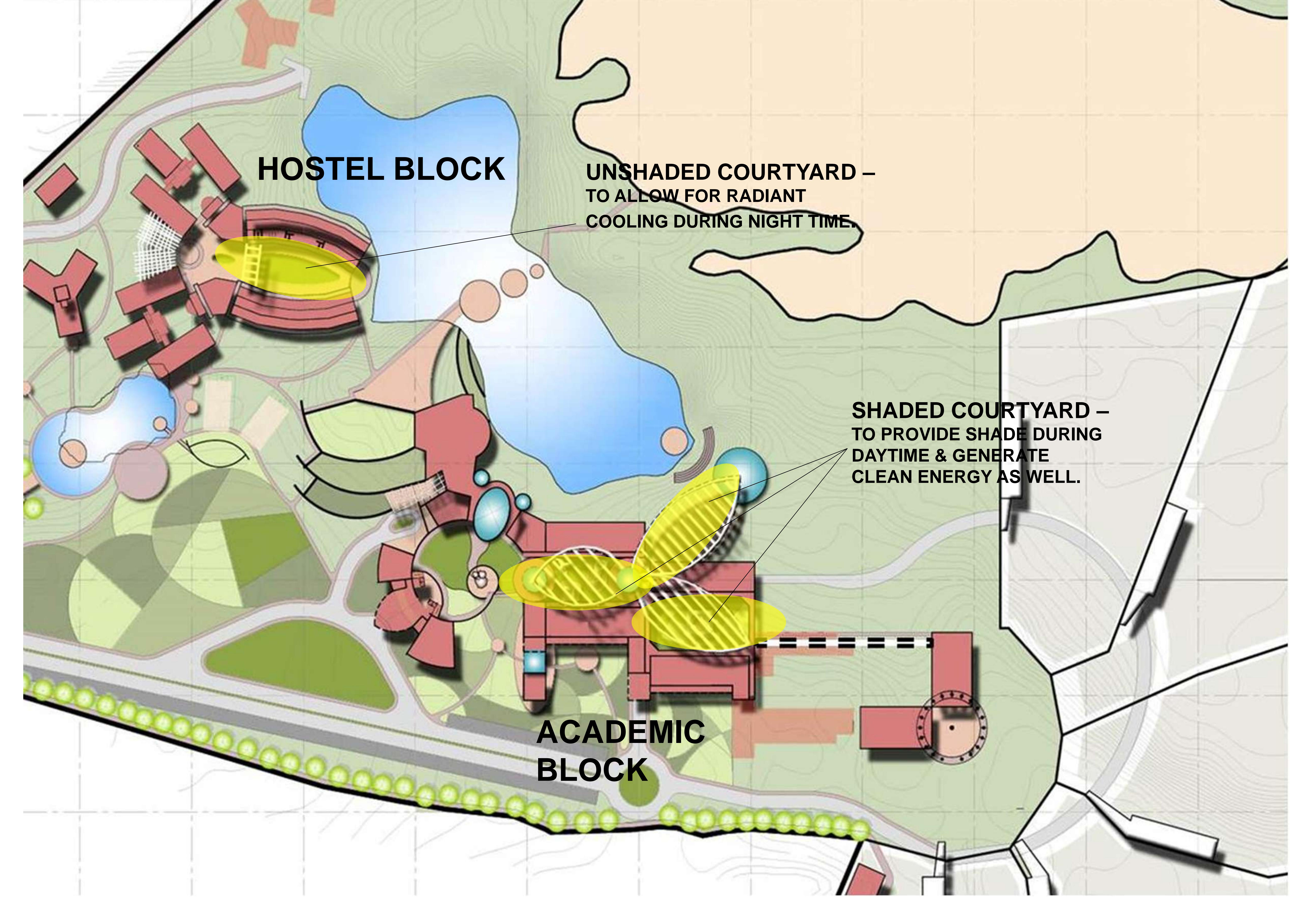
- ↑ Majority of the rainfall is received during the monsoon period and remains dry though out rest of the year.
- ↑ This shows a need for rain-water harvesting as a potential solution to optimise the usage of potable water during dry season.
- ↑ Green or brown roof, pervious paving, landscaping and SUDS can help in water retention.



## SITE ANALYSIS

# Courtyard – transition space - 1





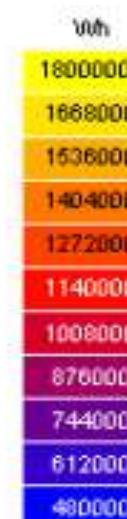
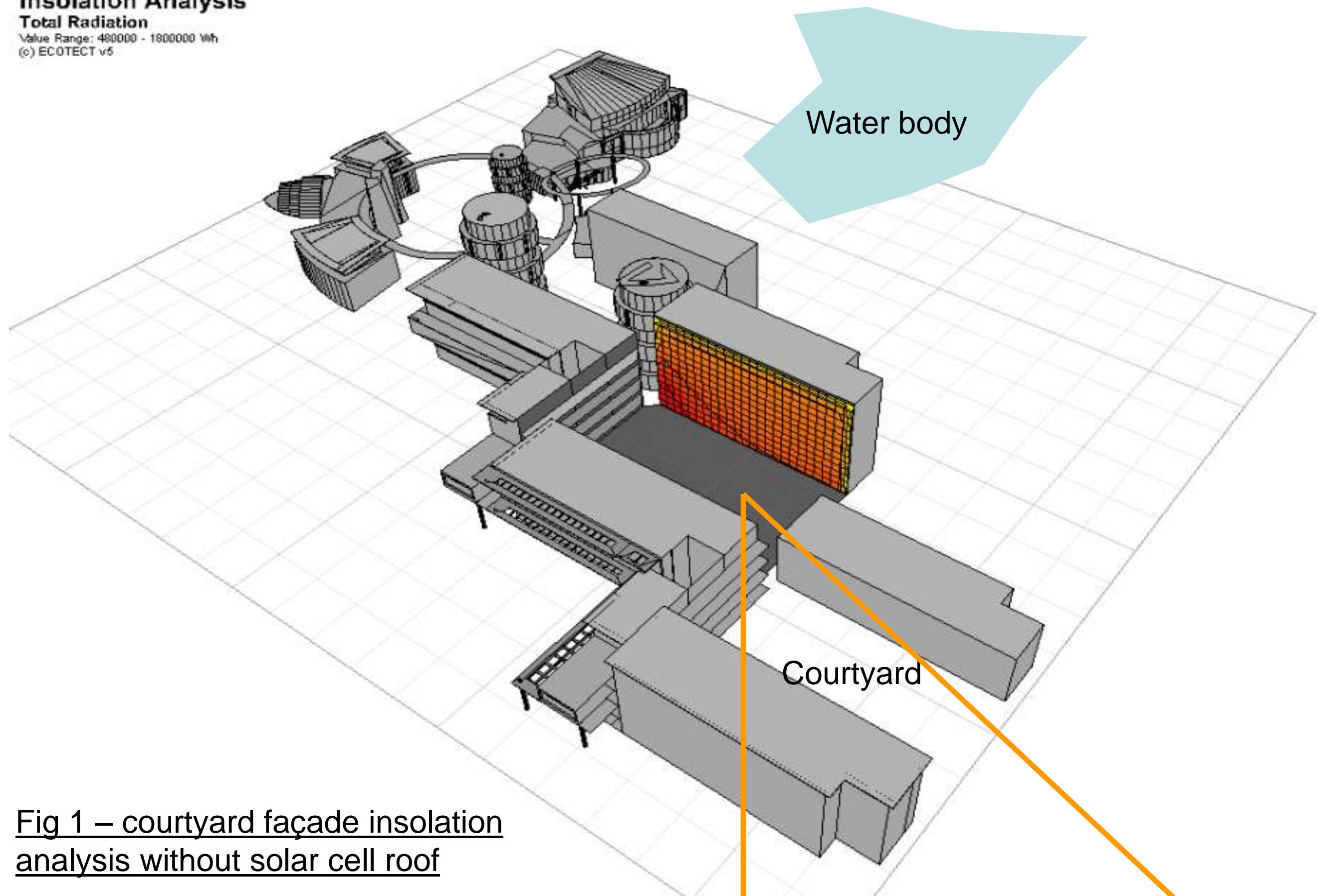
**HOSTEL BLOCK**

UNSHHADED COURTYARD –  
TO ALLOW FOR RADIANT  
COOLING DURING NIGHT TIME.

**ACADEMIC  
BLOCK**

SHADED COURTYARD –  
TO PROVIDE SHADE DURING  
DAYTIME & GENERATE  
CLEAN ENERGY AS WELL.

**Insolation Analysis**  
**Total Radiation**  
Value Range: 480000 - 1800000 Wh  
(c) ECOTECT v5



## Courtyard – transition space - 1

Courtyard was designed as transition space which allows for smooth transition from an air-conditioned space to totally exposed environment, hence aids in preventing heat-shock.

Water tubes were laid under the cement block flooring in the courtyard to create flow of water from water body to courtyard. The flowing water helps in absorbing heat from the courtyard & produced radiant cooling effect to create ambient microclimate.

Insolation analysis were done on the façade facing the courtyard. Based on the analysis a shading device was plan at the roof lvl. to reduce direct & diffuse radiation impact on the courtyard & building facades.

Fig 1 – courtyard façade insolation analysis without solar cell roof

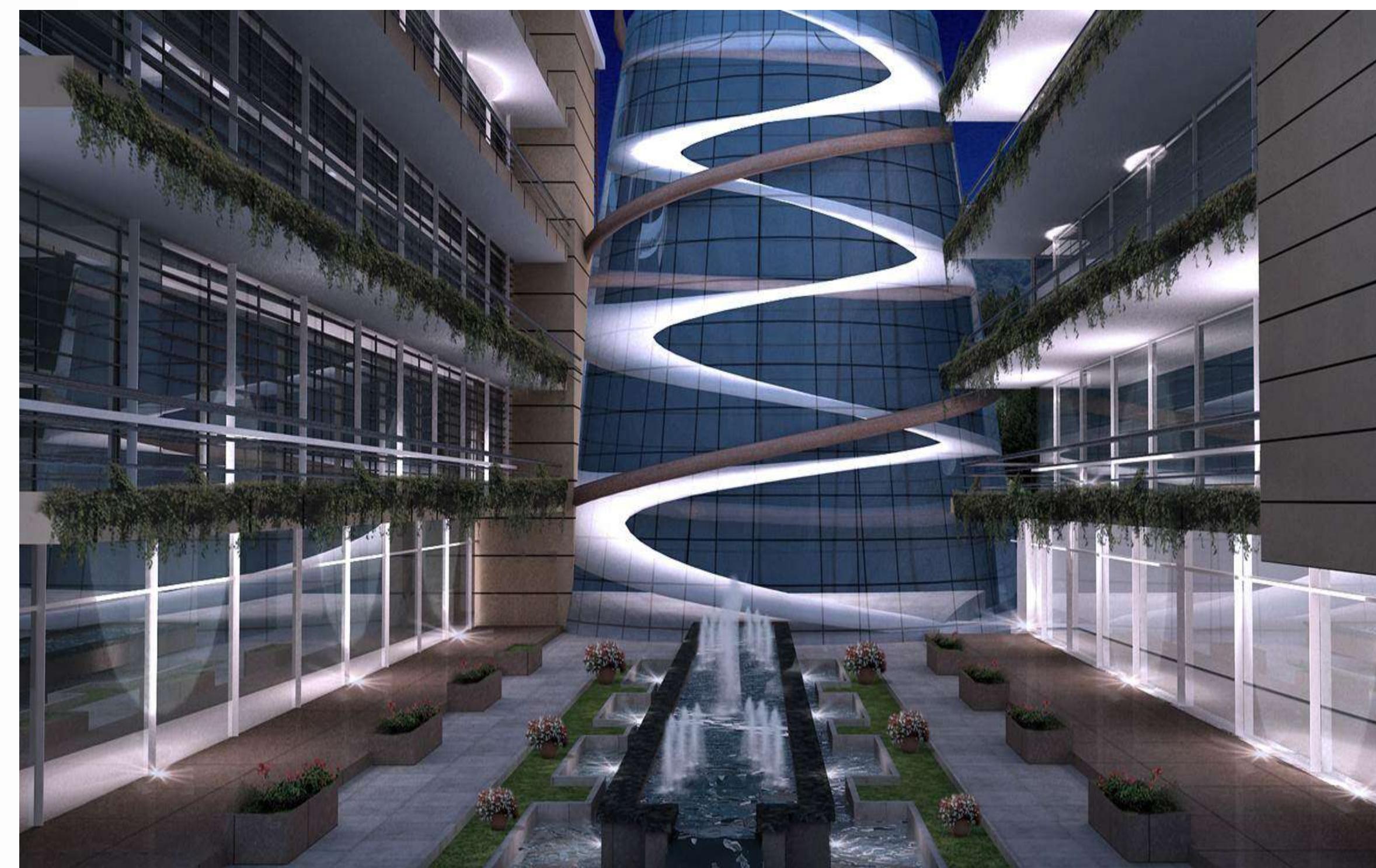
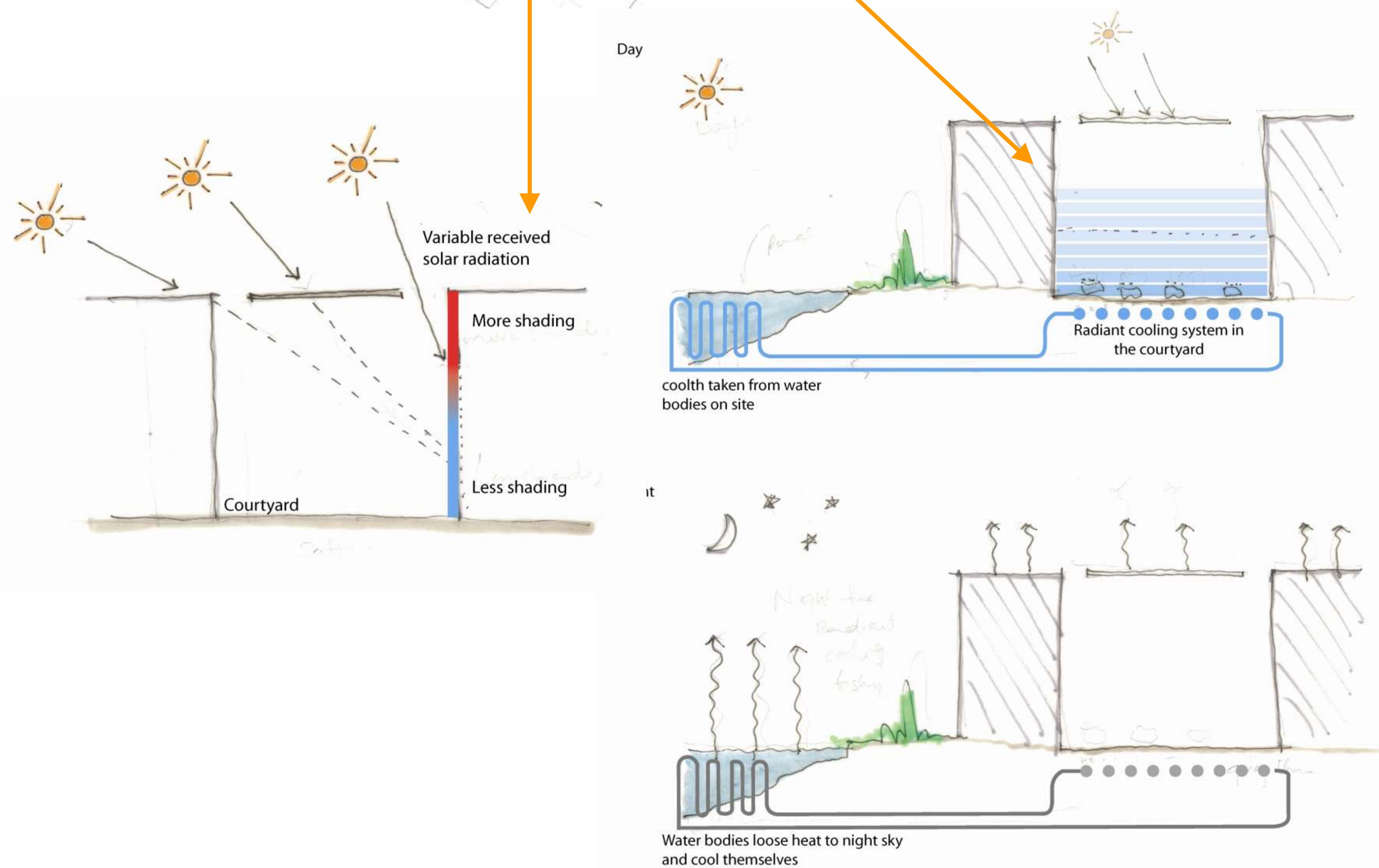


Fig 2 – Environmental section of courtyard showing stack ventilation, shading, power generation & radiant cooling through water tubes

## Courtyard – transition space – 2

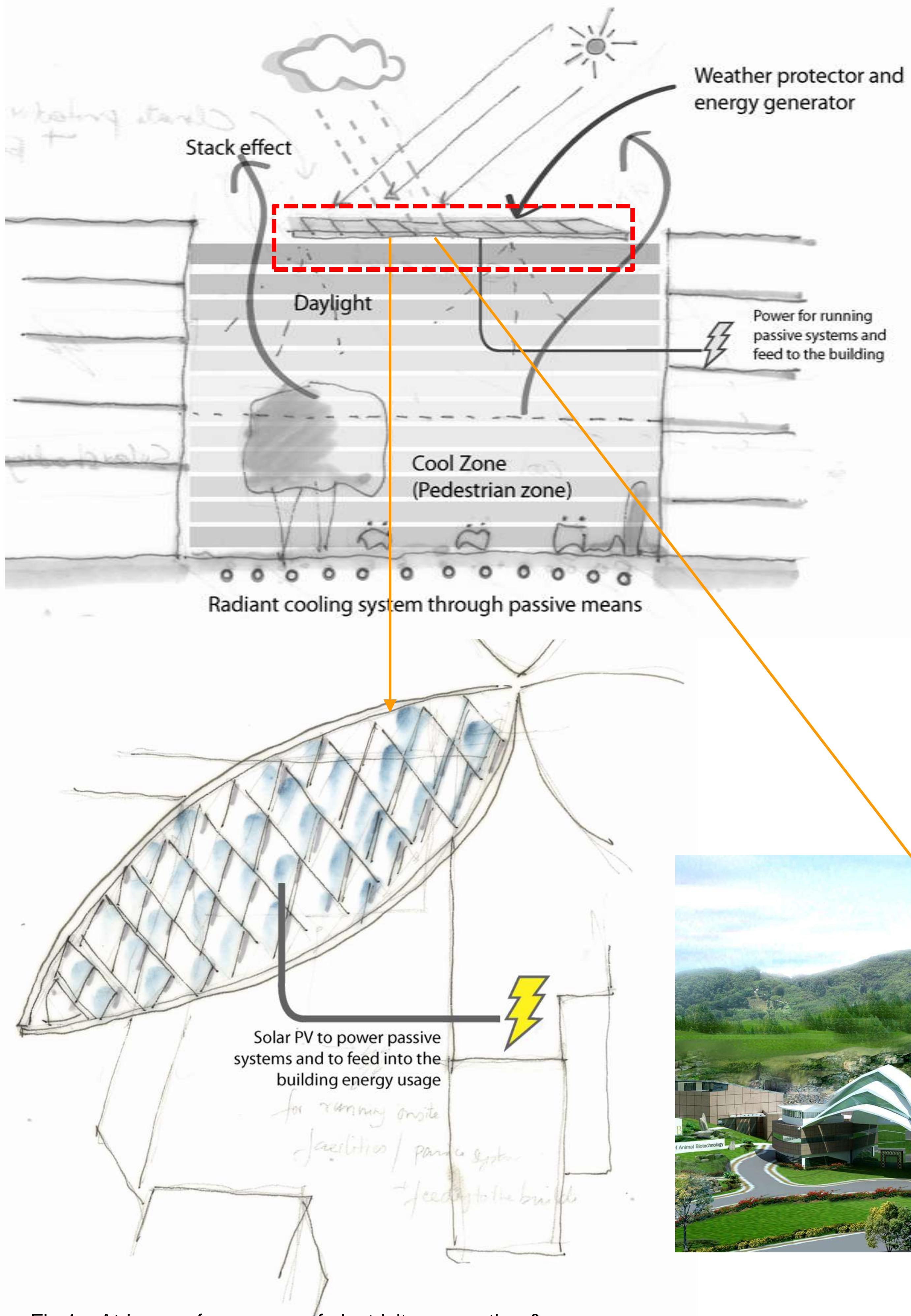


Fig 1 – Atrium roof as source of electricity generation & environmental protection.



Fig 2 – Detail roof 3d over the courtyard with solar panels.



Fig 3 – Reference picture of the solar cell

Courtyard roof was envisaged as the source of electricity generation to power all outdoor, corridor, toilets & staircase lighting.

- This will reduce the load on the grid & back-up generator.
- It will also absorb heat from direct & diffuse solar radiation to produce electricity & will prevent the over-heating of the courtyards during day-time to provide favorable micro-climate for outdoor interaction even during day-time.

Electricity generation through solar cell roof over every courtyard.

- Total roof area per courtyard – 6180 sq.ft
- Area required for 1kw electricity generation through p.v = 100 sq.ft
- Total power generated = 62 kw
- Cost of 1 kw solar p.v plant = 1.5 – 2 lakhs
- Cost of generating 62 kw of electricity over each courtyard = Rs 1 crore
- Payback period considering rebates & depreciation benefits = 8-10 years

## Façade environmental strategy -2

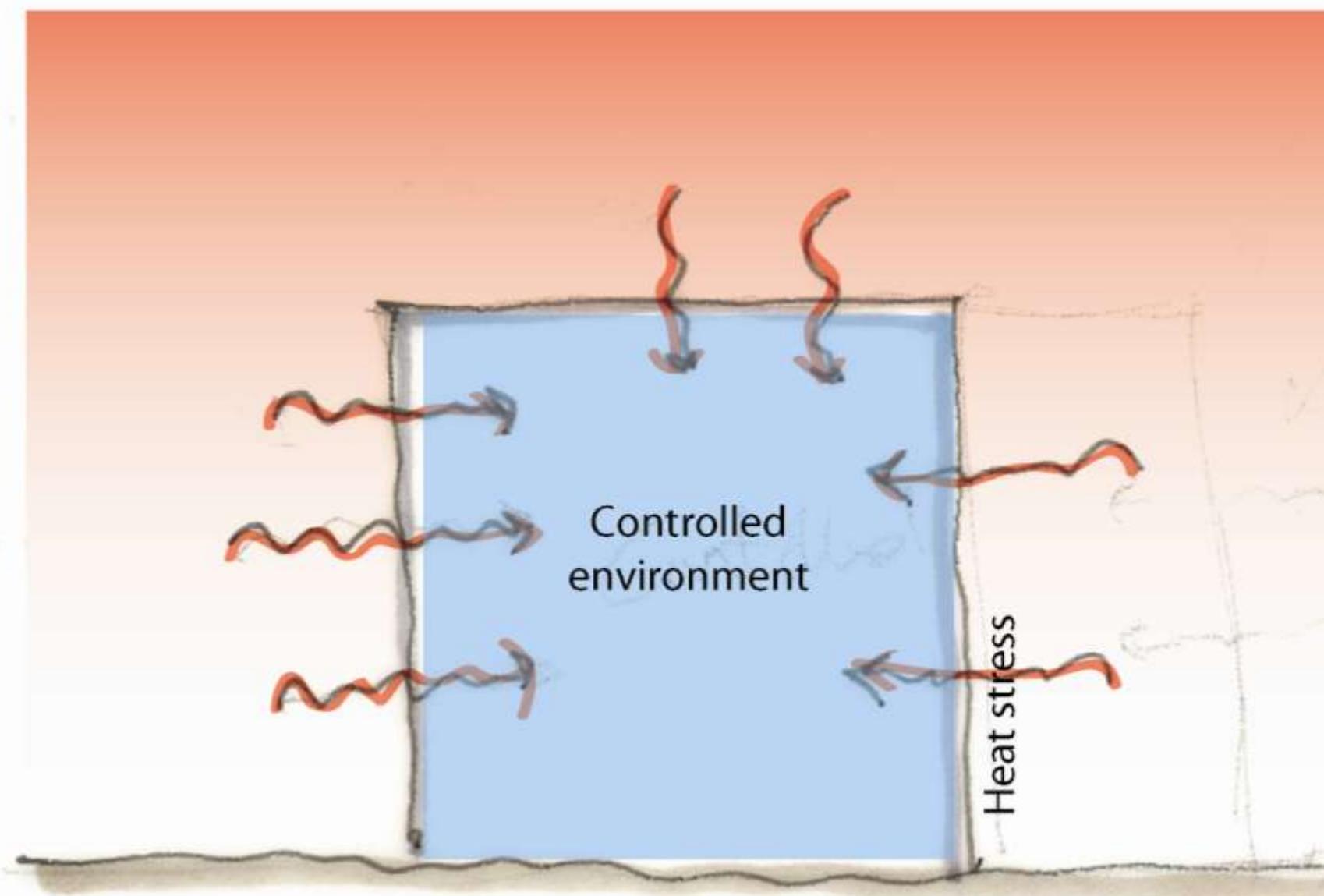


Fig 2 – Insolation analysis before shading

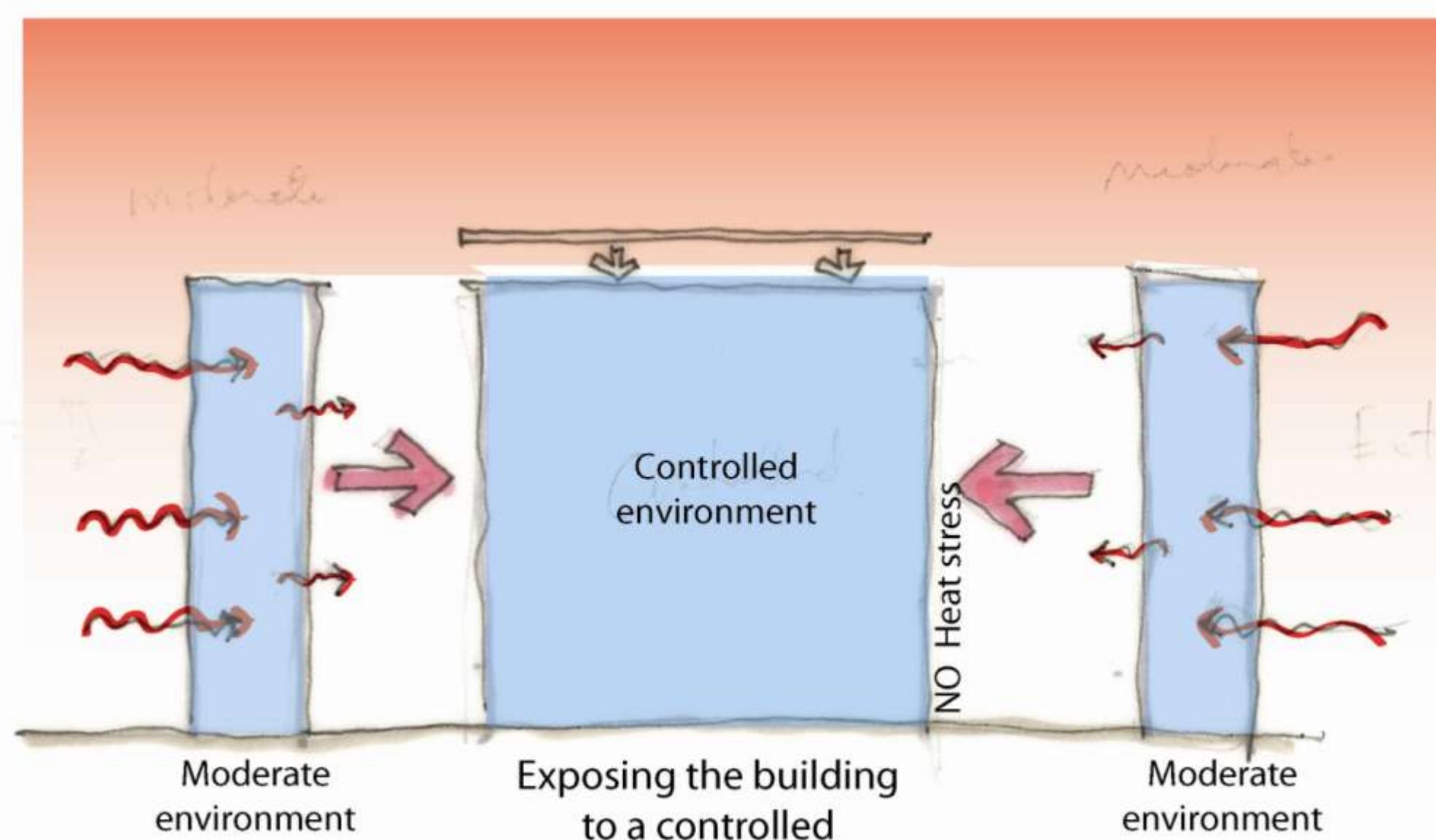
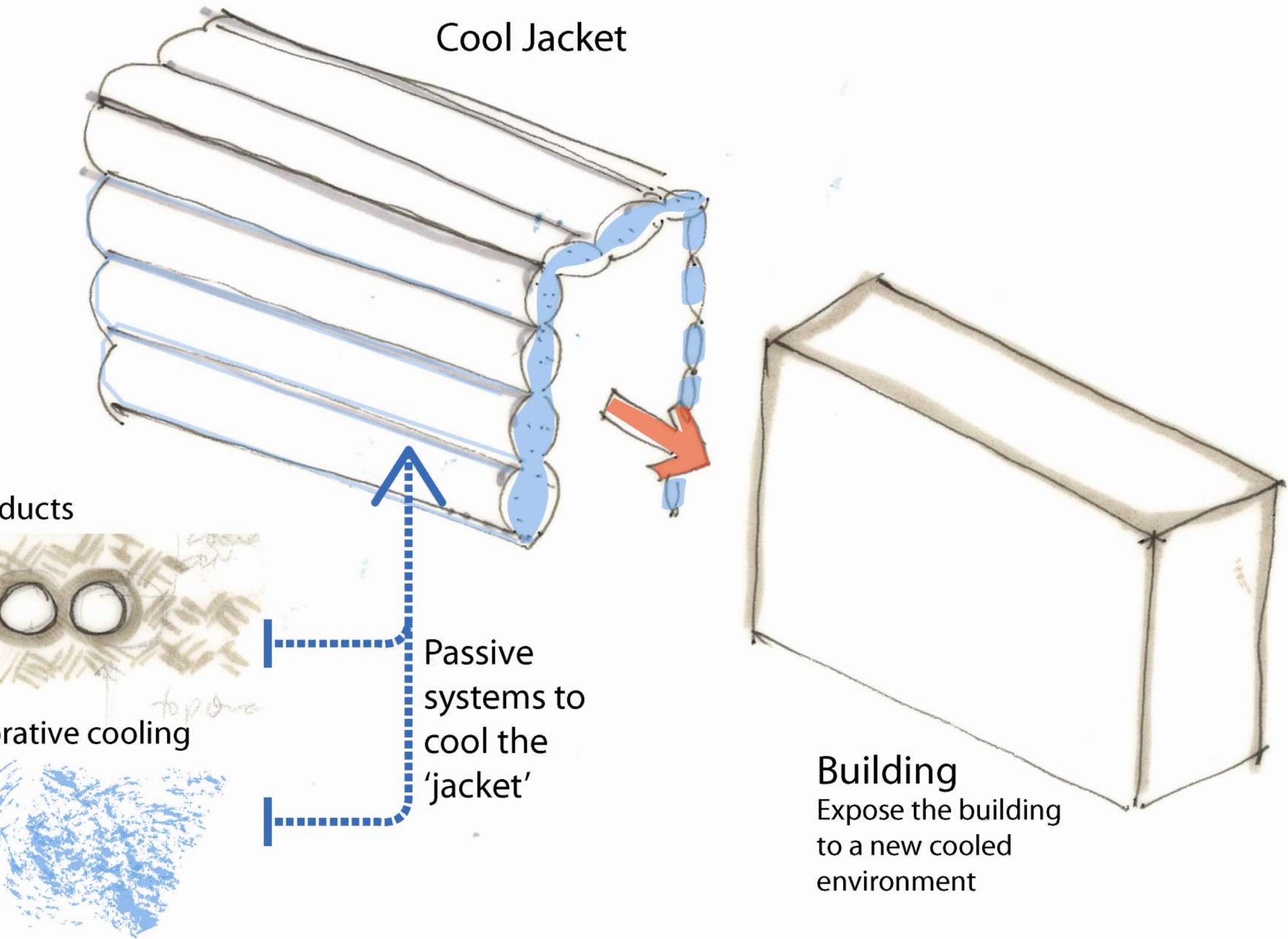


Fig 3 – Insolation analysis after shading



# Façade environmental strategy

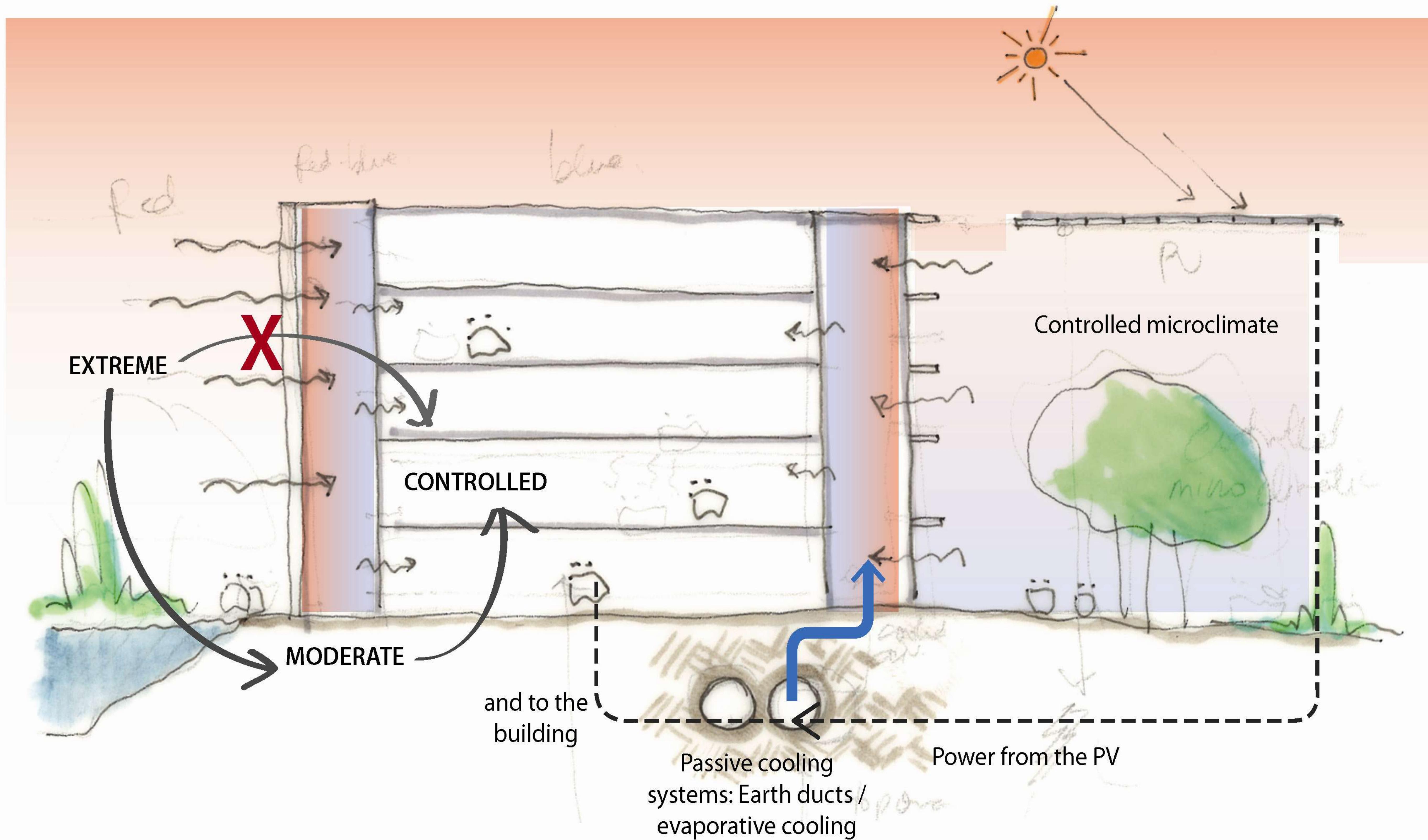
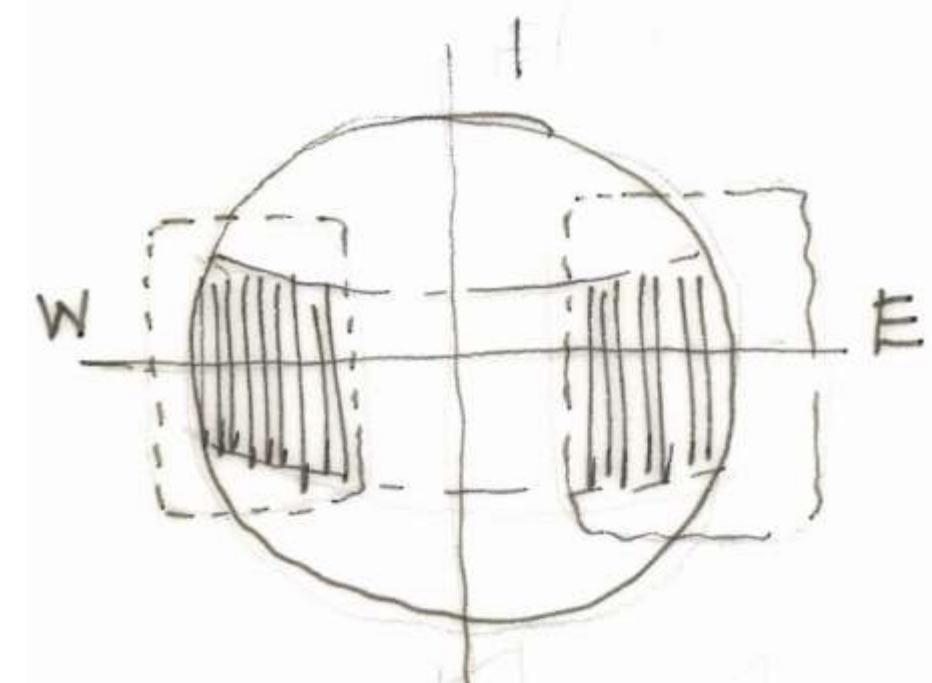


Fig 1 – External wall section displaying environmental strategies.

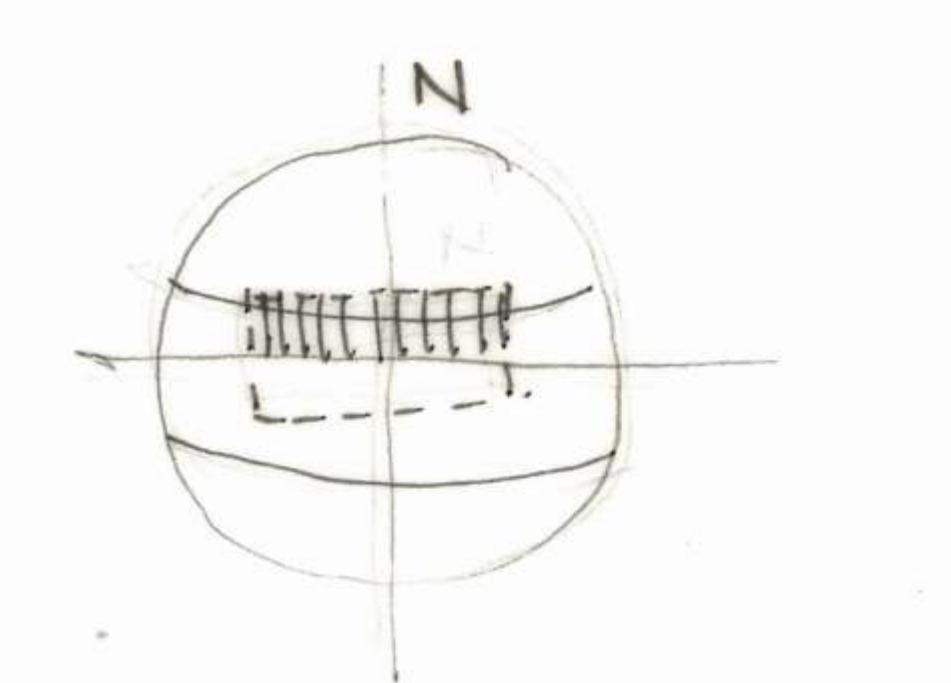
## Façade - Shading Devices

Simulation were performed on eco-tect to design optimal shading devices for façade & courtyard roof to reduce heat gain & glare from direct solar radiation.

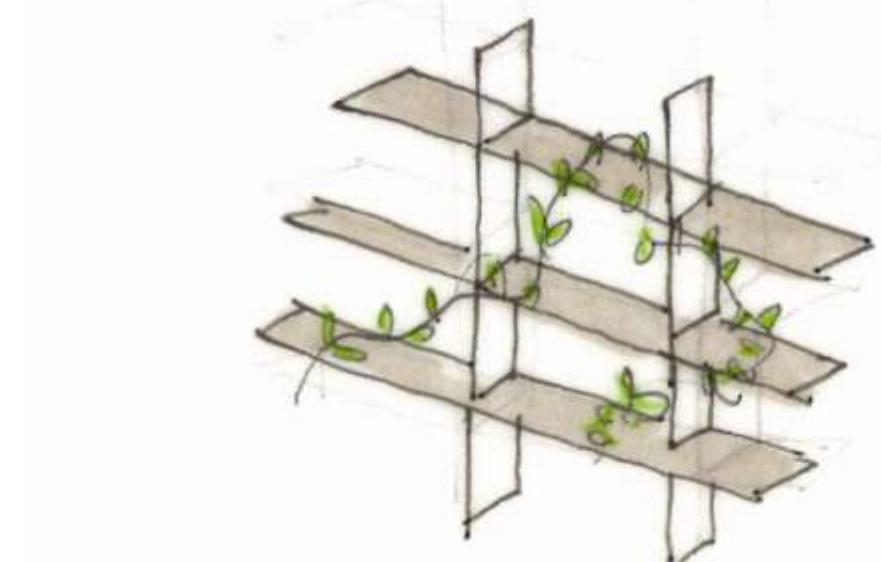
East and West facades



North facades

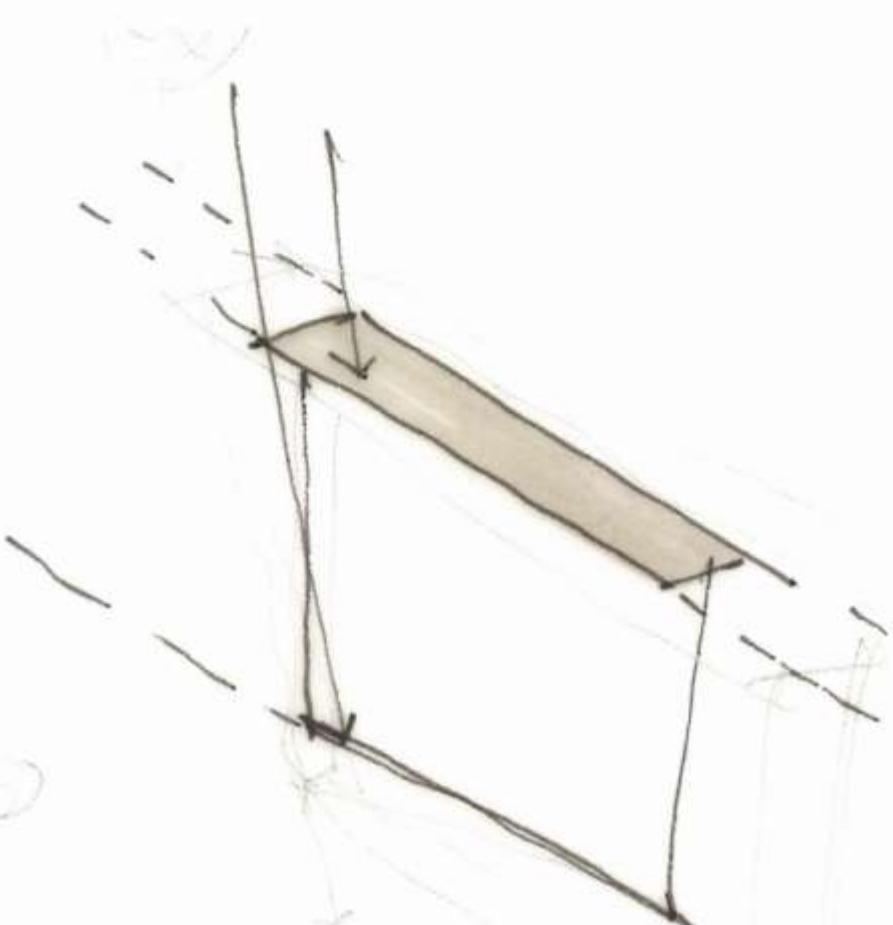
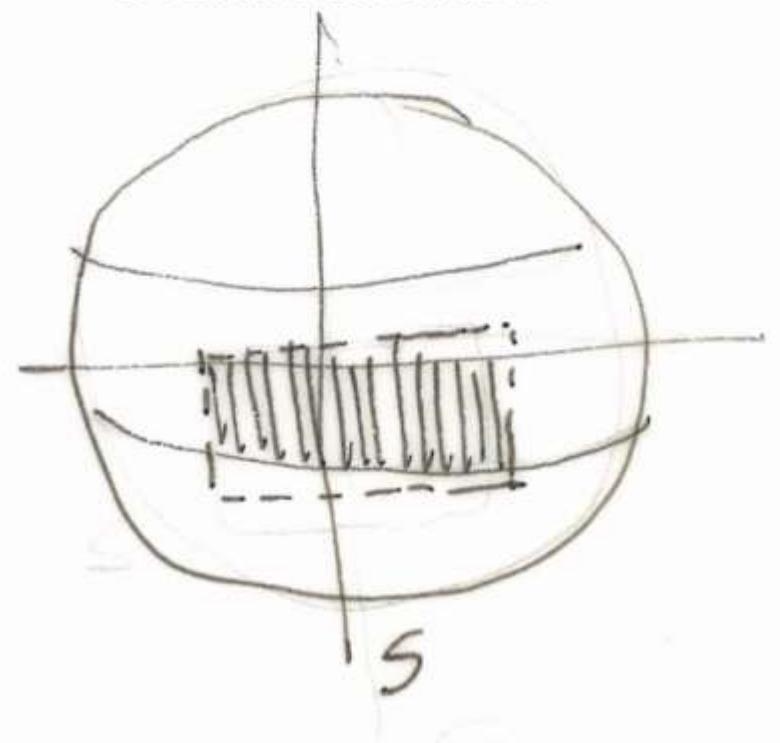


Screens for shading  
low angle sun



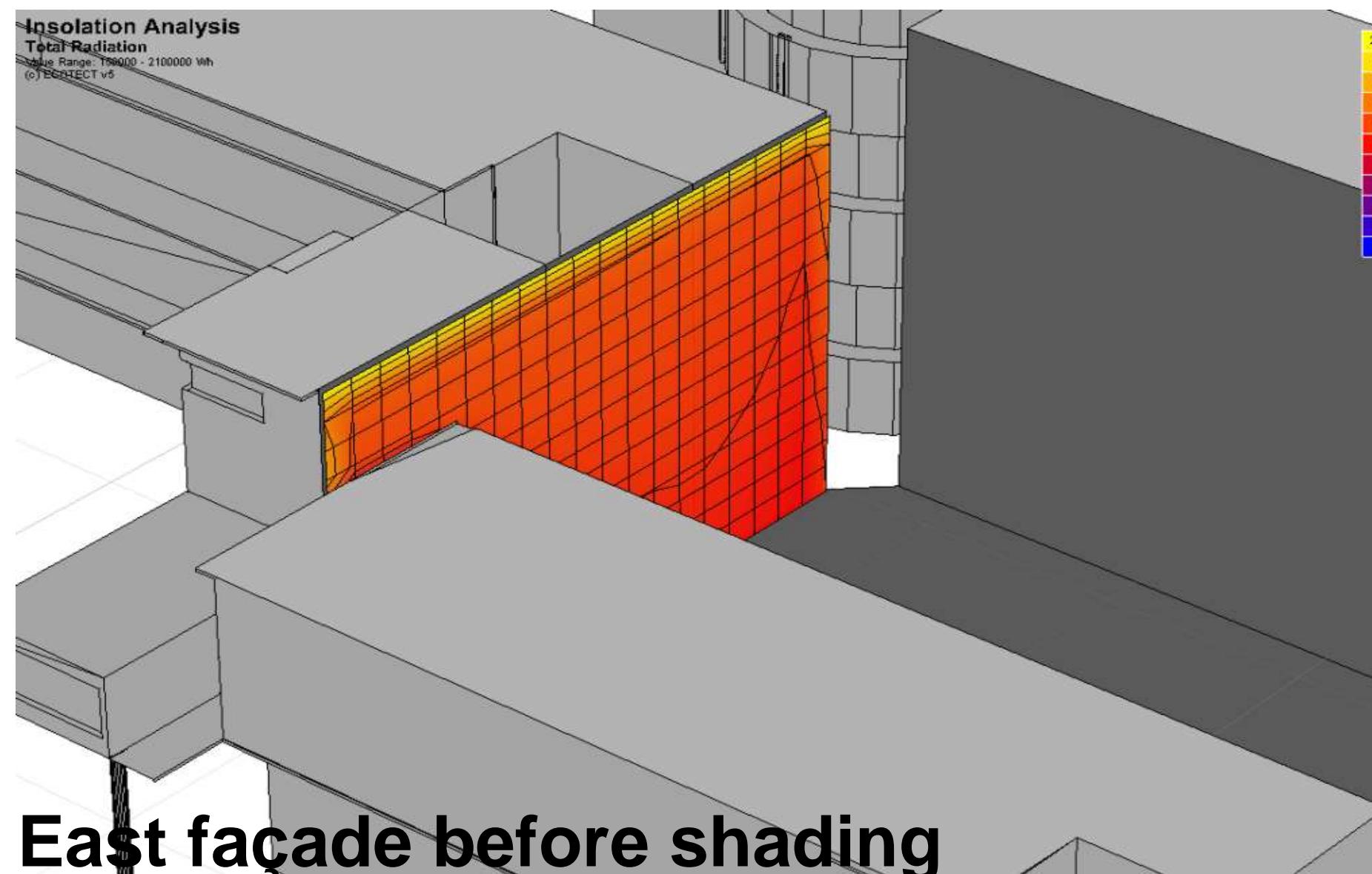
Vertical fins spaces at 17 - 20°  
Horizontal sky angle

South facades

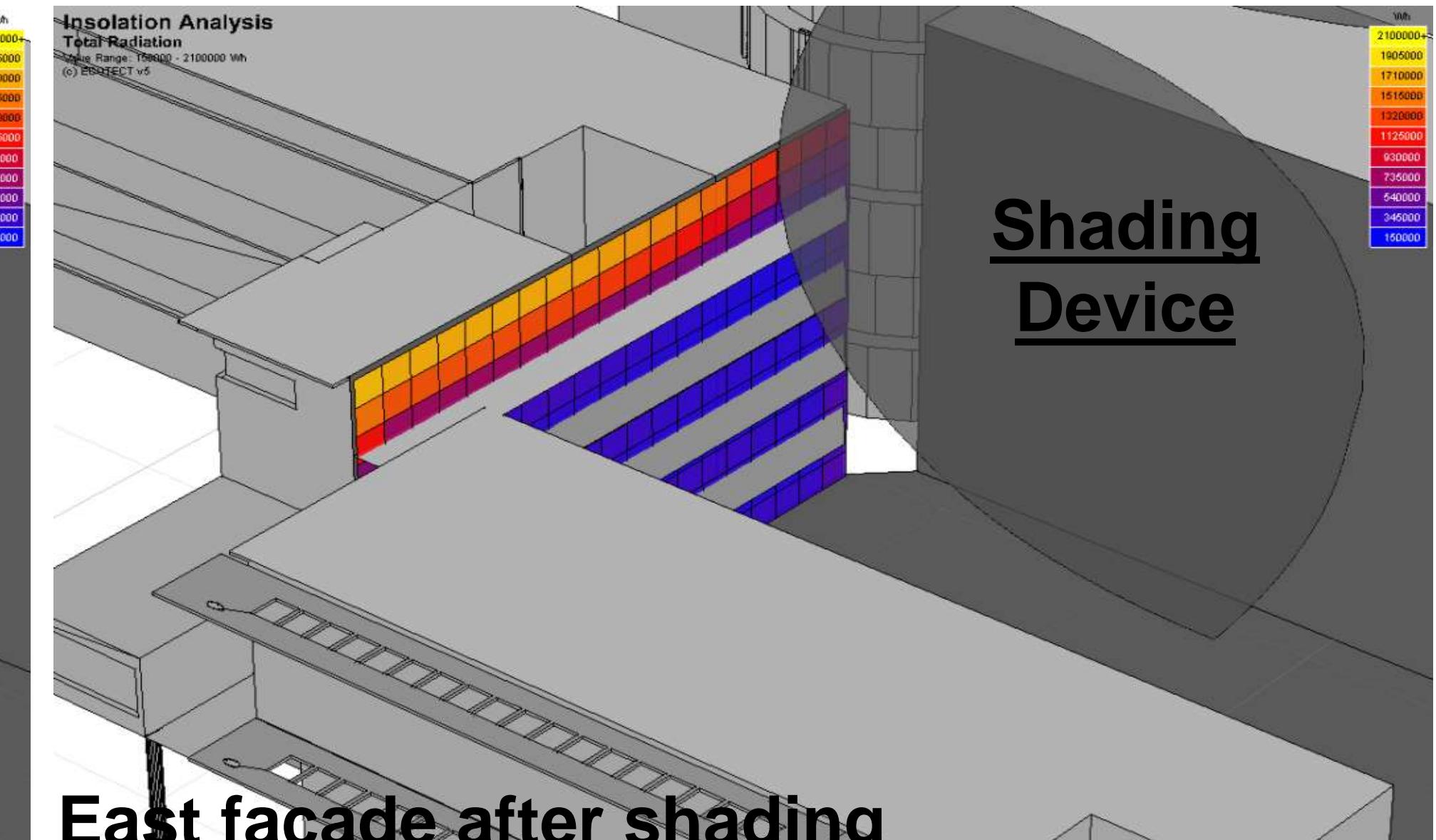


Overhang to shade high altitude sun. Critical angle 60°

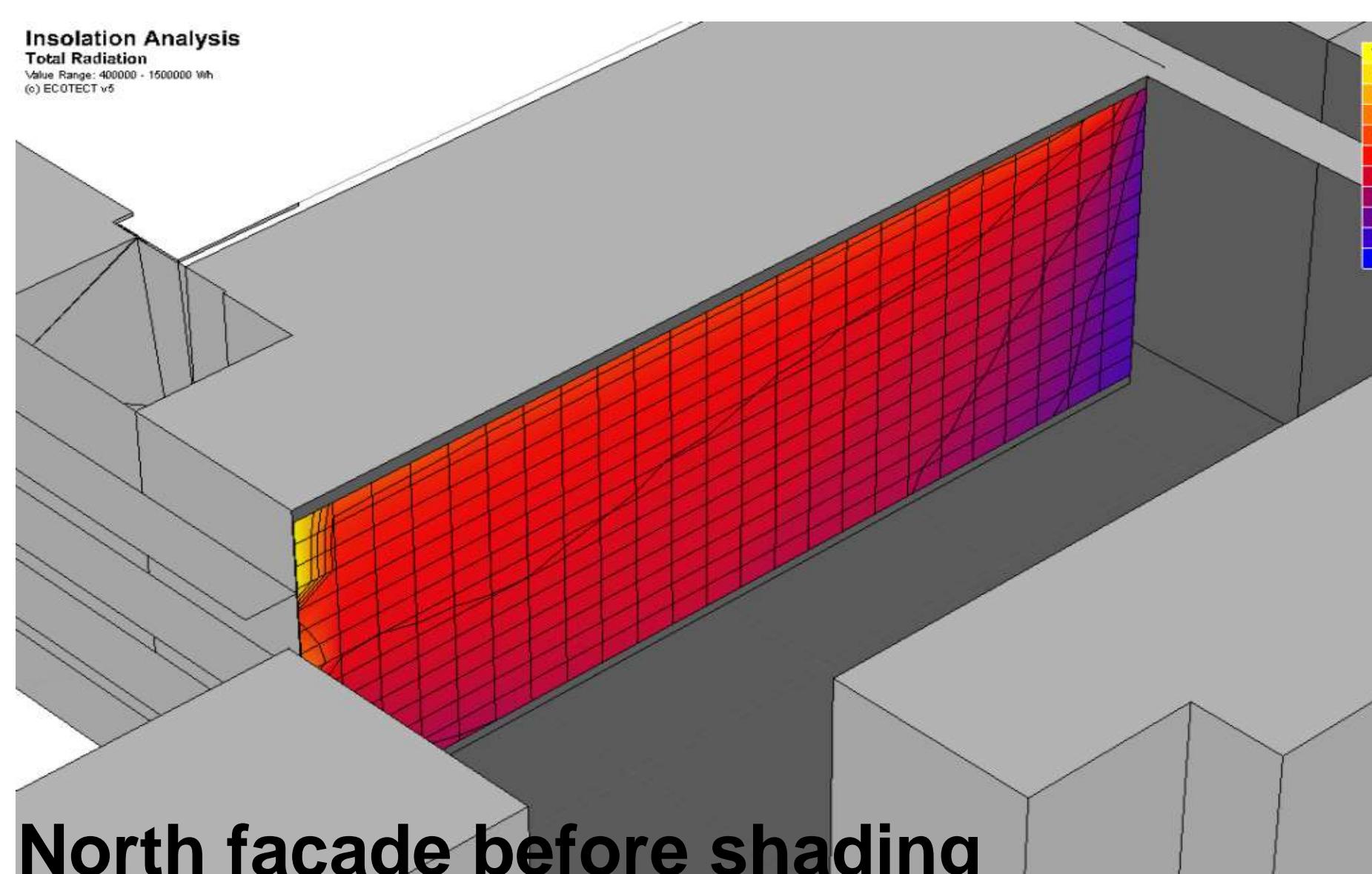
## **Insolation analysis before & after shading**



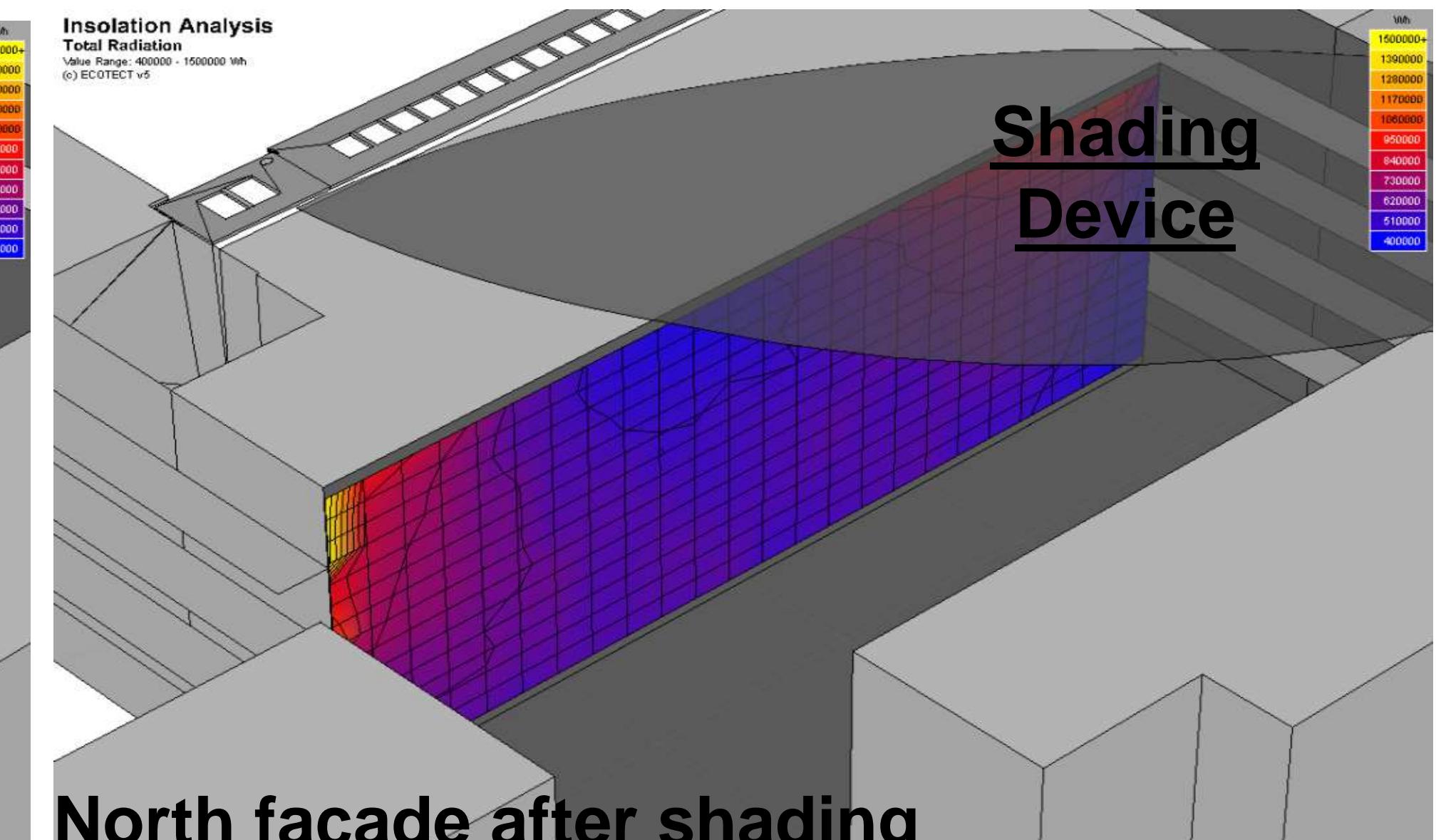
**East façade before shading**



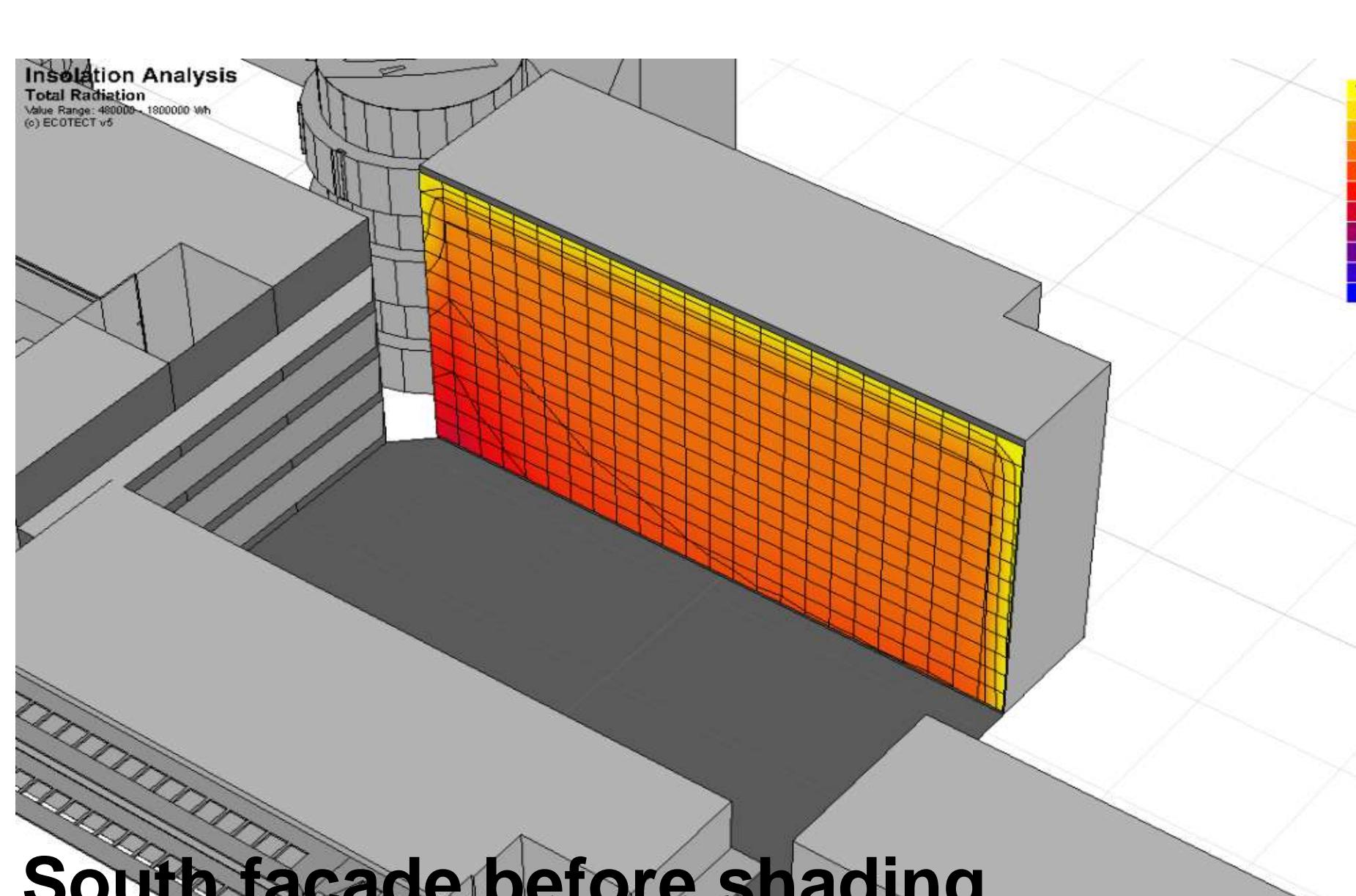
**East façade after shading**



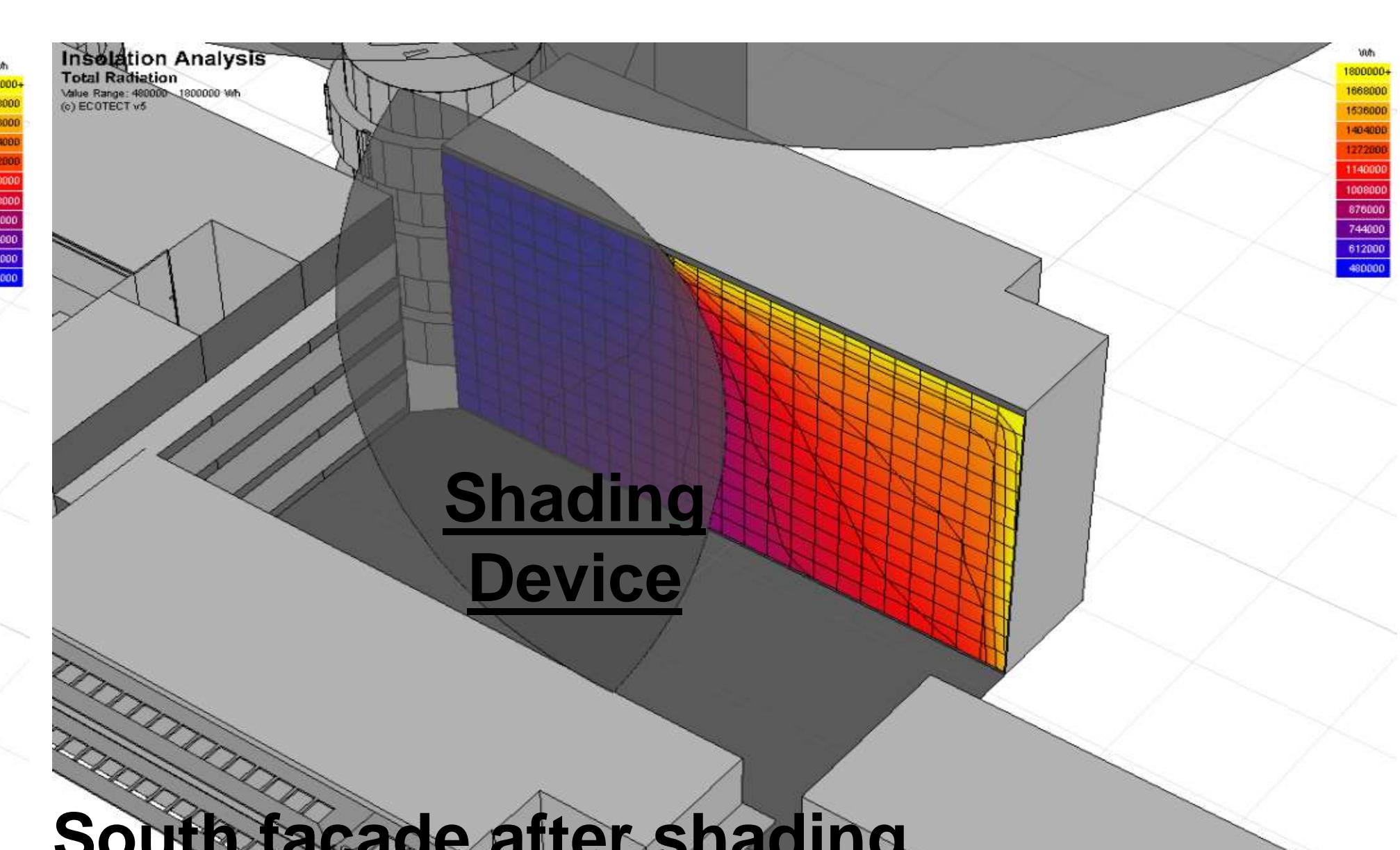
**North façade before shading**



**North façade after shading**



**South façade before shading**



**South facade after shading**

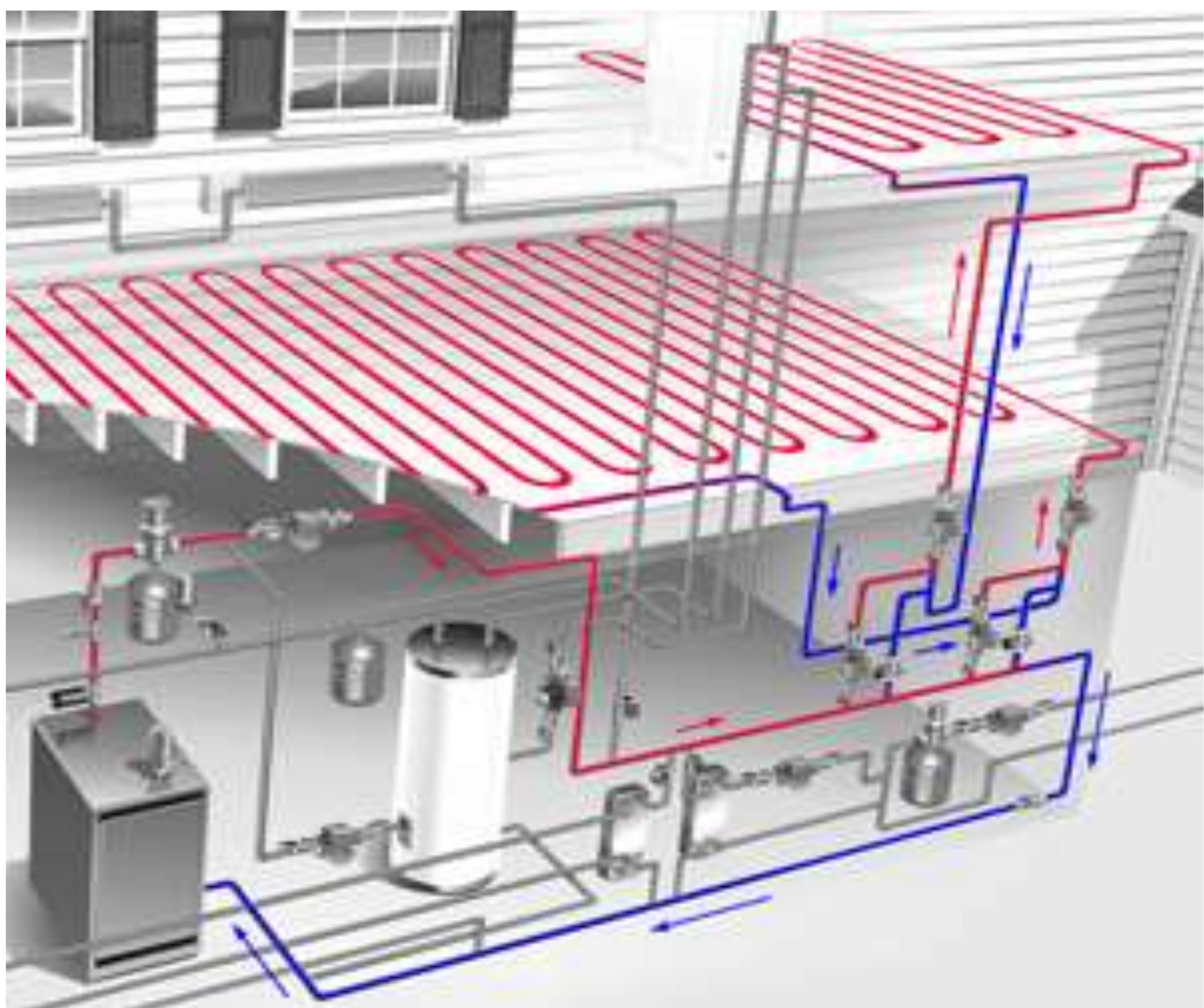


## Façade environmental strategy

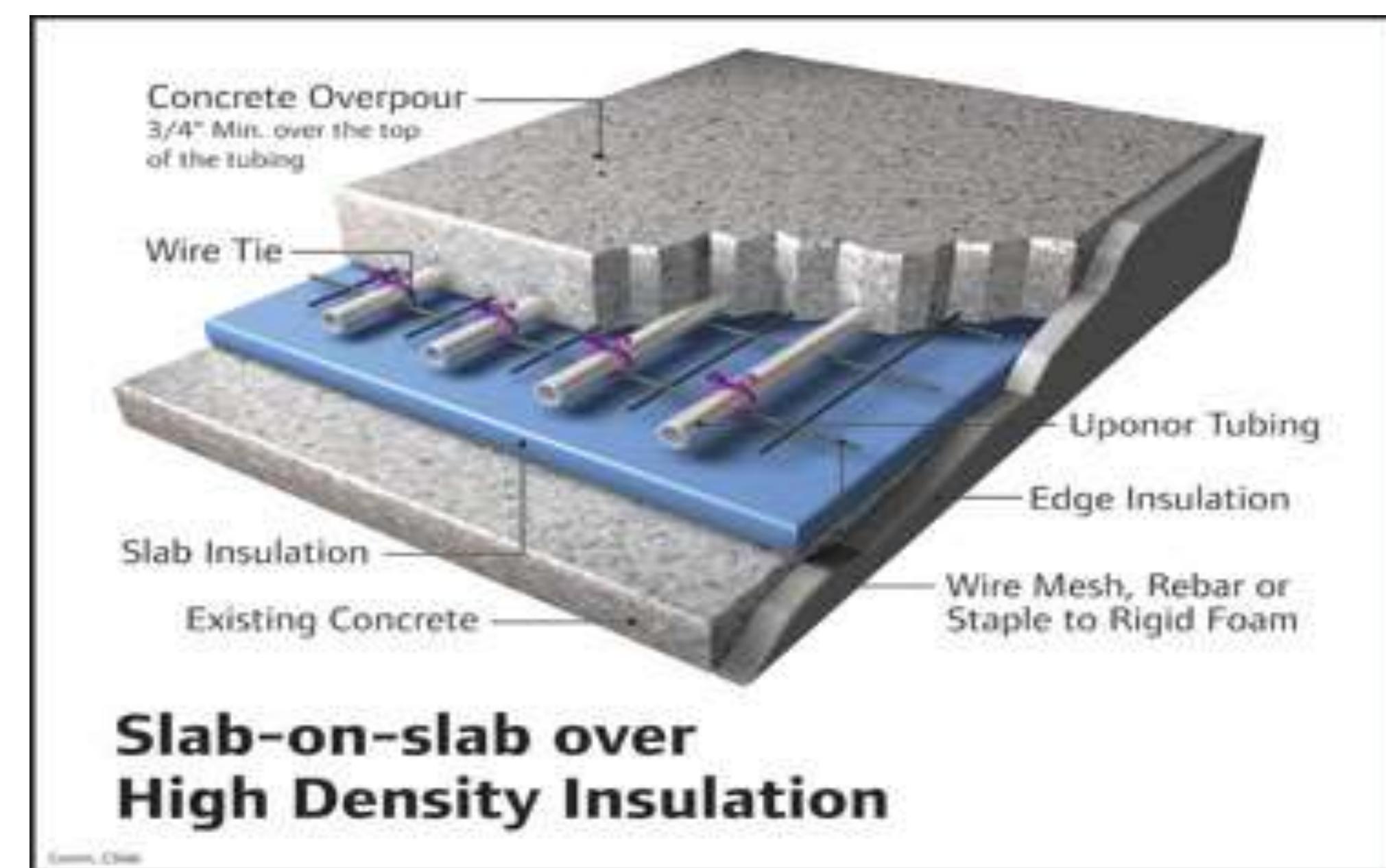
North Façade – Vertical & horizontal louvers were planned to reduce heat gains from western sun during evening hours.

East & West facades – GRC Jali was planned to cut down heat gains & glare from low eastern & western sun. The density of the jali was designed as per the solar insolation analysis.

South facades – Horizontal shading devices were devised to cut down high sun from south while allowing view out to the occupants to enjoy expansive views outside.



**RADIANT COOLING SYSTEM** Regular Air-conditioning uses air & convection to cool a building which is in-efficient way of air-conditioning. By using conduction & radiation, the more effective ways of transferring heat, one can achieve better & cost effective cooling.



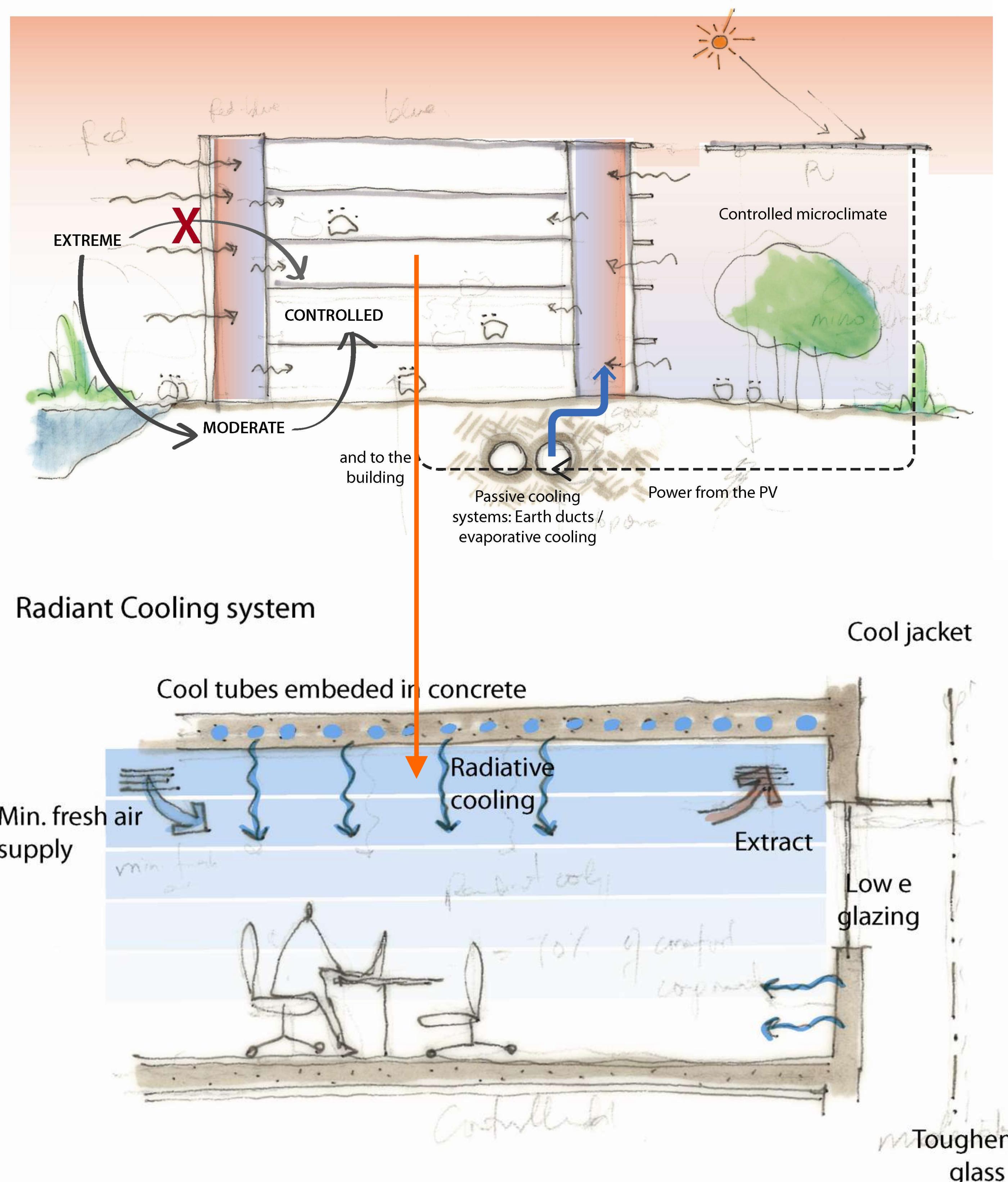
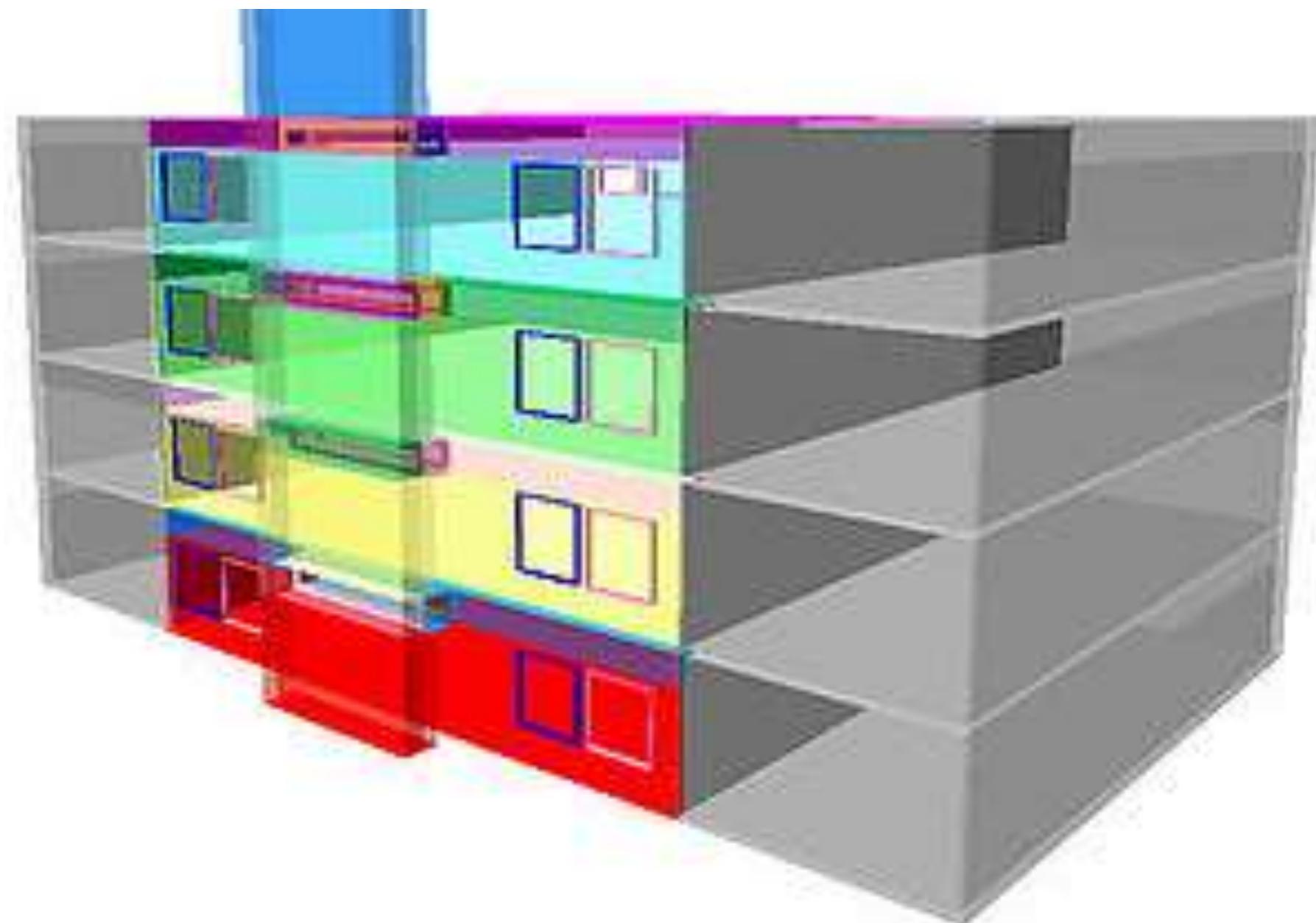


Fig 1 – Conceptual section showing radiant cooling strategies

## Key Benefits of Radiant Cooling System

- Thermal energy storage in the panel structure, exposed walls and partitions reduces peak loads for greater energy efficiency
- Eliminates the need for mechanical equipment within the conditioned room, increasing square-footage space (especially valuable in hospital patent rooms and other applications where space is at a premium)
- No drafts or temperature swings for the ultimate in comfort
- Eliminates the need for individual air conditioning units, especially where window-mount units are more prevalent
- Centrally located mechanical equipment offers simplified maintenance and operation
- Noisy fans and blowers dispersing dust and other allergens are eliminated, increasing indoor air quality (particularly valuable where maximum cleanliness is essential or where dictated by legal requirements)

## Thermal Modeling - TAS



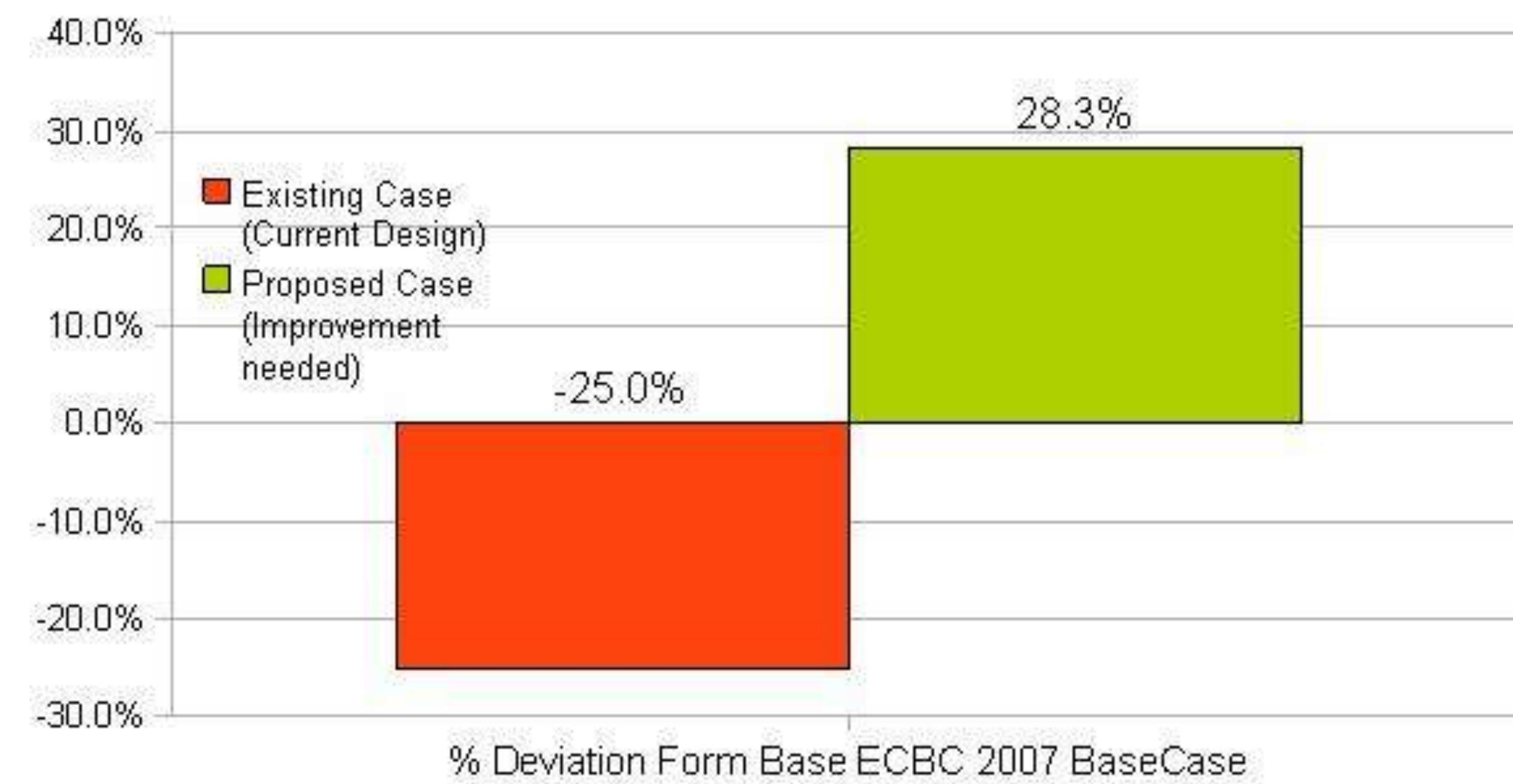
Energy analysis was then performed considering all the below mentioned strategy on TAS to predict the energy performance of the building over ECBC base case :

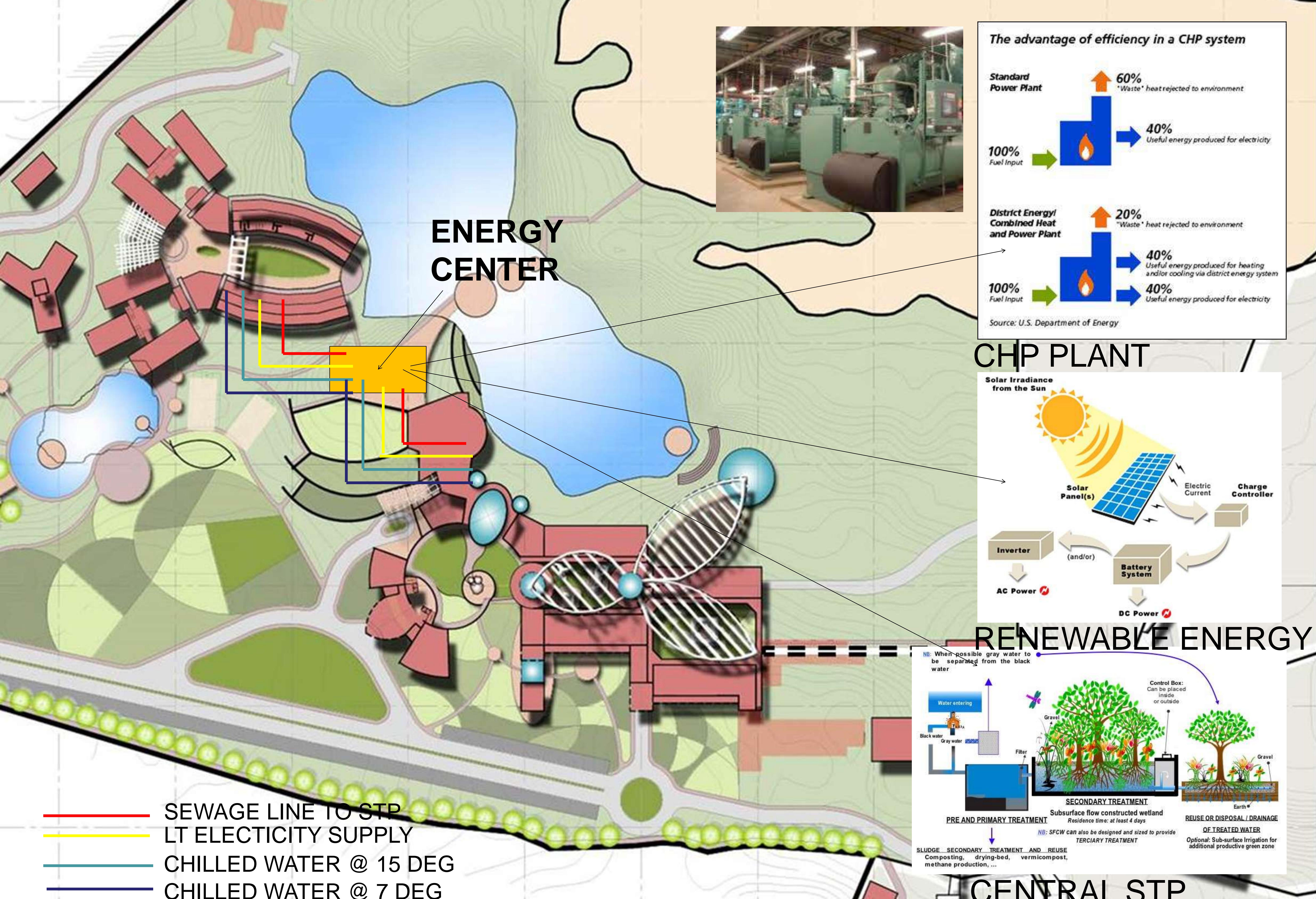
- Shaded courtyard
- Jacketed façade
- radiant cooling

The results shows a saving of 50% over the ECBC base case.

Fig 1 – TAS thermal model for energy simulation

S.N	Variables	Description	
1	Schedules	Standard Day time university Schedule, week day partially occupied.	
		 Weekdays      Saturday      Sunday      Holiday	
2	Occupancies	Occupancies @ 40 ft²/ Person	
3	OutSide Design Conditions	Summer Design = 98.7 °F (37.1 °C), Mean Coincident Wet bulb = 79.8 °F (26.6 °C) @ 99.6 % time in Year Wind Speed = 4.5 m/s	Winter Design = 52.8 °F (11.6 °C), @ 99.6 % time in Year Wind Speed = 4.5 m/s
4	Comfort Design Temperatures	Heating Design Temperature = 72 °F Cooling Design Temperature = 75 °F	
5	Air Supply Temperatures	Minimum Zone Air Supply Temperature = 55 °F (Cooling Mode) Maximum Zone Air Supply Temperature = 95 °F (Heating Mode) Minimum Outdoor Air flow rate = 0.5CFM/ ft²	





# Water

- Water use reduction –Efficient and low flow water fixtures
- 100% rooftop Rainwater Storage & Recycling
- Surface rainwater to be filtered and sent to aquifer
- 100% STP water to reused on site

