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Building energy performance assessment based on in-situ measurements

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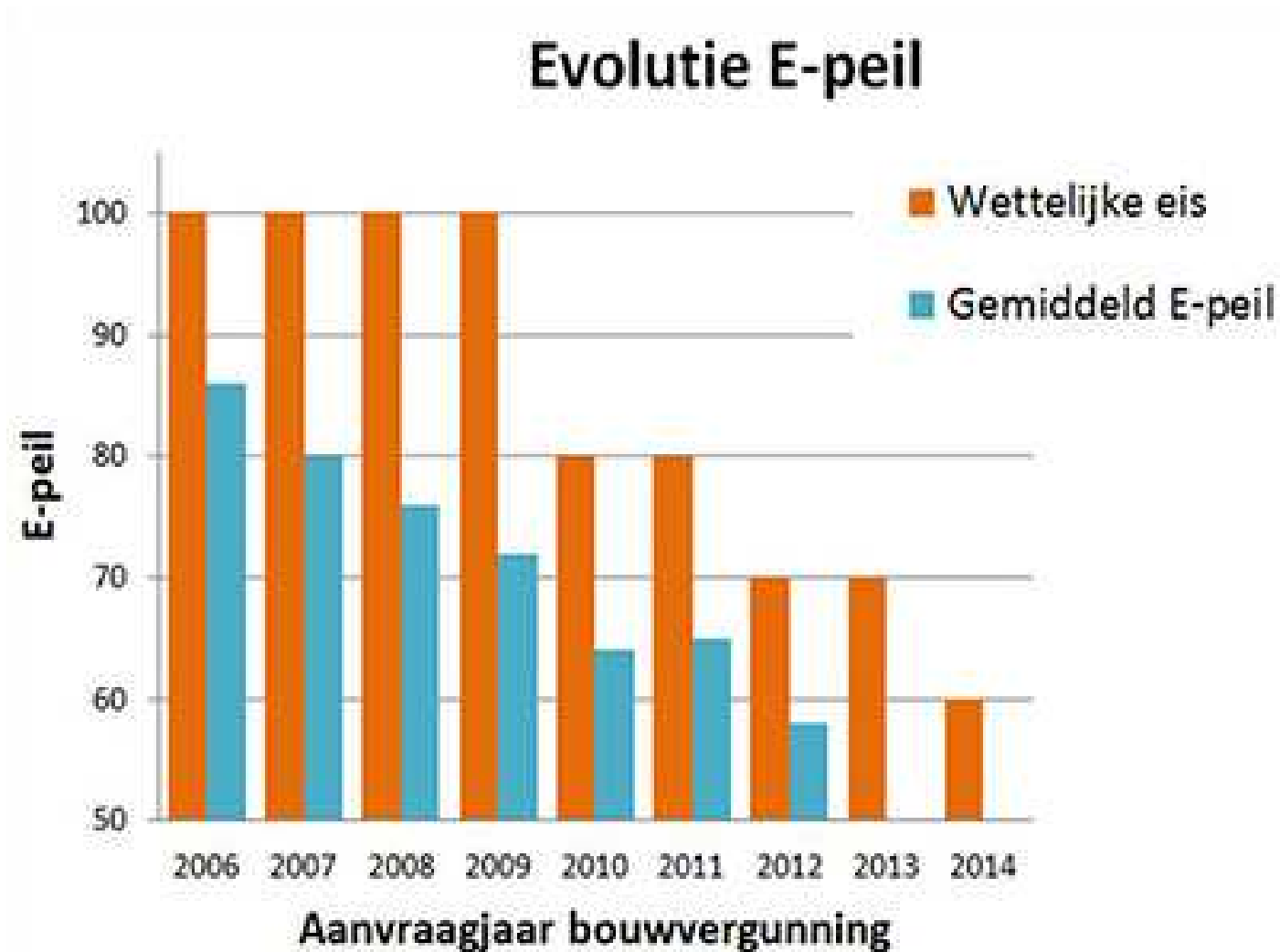
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Climate change is a fact...



...though not everybody is convinced.

Regulation rapidly grew more strict




Figuur: www.mijnepb.be/evolutie-e-peil/

Energy Certificate

Building Energy Performance		Current rating	Average new build rating
Certificate Type	FULL		
Building Type	Home		
Whole or Part of Building	Whole		
Very energy efficient - lower running costs			
(100-120) A			
(85-99) B			95
(70-84) C			
(55-69) D		55	
(40-54) E			
(25-39) F			
(1-24) G			
Not energy efficient - higher running costs			
Main Walls	ABCDEFG		
Main Roof	ABCDEFG		
Extension Walls	NA		
Extension Roof	NA		
Main Floor	ABCDEFG		
Extension Floor	NA		
Windows	ABCDEFG		
Main Heating	ABCDEFG		
Secondary Heating	ABCDEFG		
Hot Water	ABCDEFG		

GB 2004

 Directive 2002/91/EC

ENERGIEAUSWEIS für Wohngebäude

gemäß den §§ 16 ff. Energieeinsparverordnung (EnEV)

Calculated demand of energy 2

Calculated energy demand

End energy demand $\text{kWh}/(\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{a})$ CO_2 Emission $\text{t}/(\text{a} \cdot \text{m}^2)$

Primary energy demand („Energy performance“) $\text{kWh}/(\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{a})$

Evidence of building permission § 3 oder § 9 Abs. 1 EnEV ¹⁾

Primary energy		Quality of envelope	
building value	$\text{kWh}/(\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{a})$	building value	H_tr $\text{W}/(\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K})$
required value	$\text{kWh}/(\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{a})$	required value	H_tr $\text{W}/(\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K})$

End energy demand

Energy source	Annual energy demand $\text{kWh}/(\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{a})$ for heating	Hot water	Auxiliary $\text{kWh}/(\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{a})$	Total in $\text{kWh}/(\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{a})$

Other informations

Use of renewables proved?

Renewables are used for:

Heating ☐ Hot water ☐


Ventilation ☐ Cooling ☐

Ventilation is done through:

Fan without heat recovery ☐ Windows ☐

Fan with heat recovery ☐

Reference values



Passive house, MFT-House, EFT-House, EFT-House with heat recovery, EFT-House with heat recovery and ventilation, EFT-House with heat recovery and ventilation and ventilation, EFT-House with heat recovery and ventilation and ventilation and ventilation.

Comments to the calculation methodology

Das verwendete Berechnungsverfahren ist durch die Energieeinsparverordnung vorgegeben. Insbesondere wegen standardisierter Randbedingungen erlauben die angegebenen Werte keine Rückschlüsse auf den tatsächlichen Energieverbrauch. Die ausgewiesenen Standards sind spezifische Werte nach der EnEV pro Quadratmeter Gebäudemembranfläche (m²).

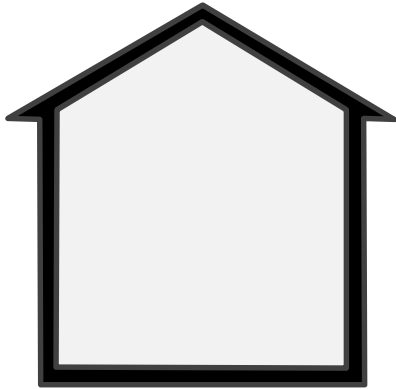
¹⁾ beweisende Angabe ²⁾ ggf. einschlägliche Nutzung

³⁾ nur in den Fällen des Neubaus und der Modernisierung anzuführen ⁴⁾ EFT = Erdwärmekollektor, MFT = Mehrfachwärmekollektor

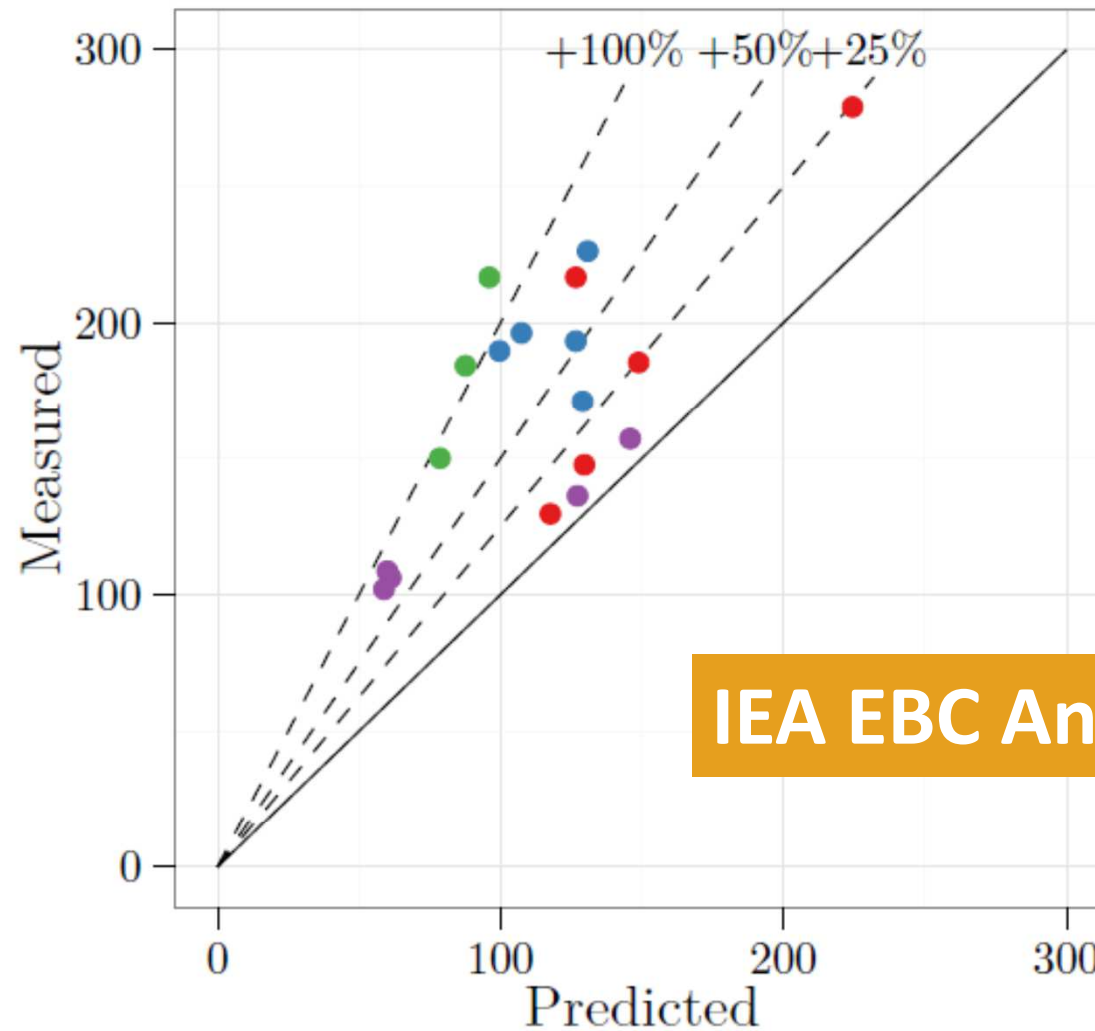
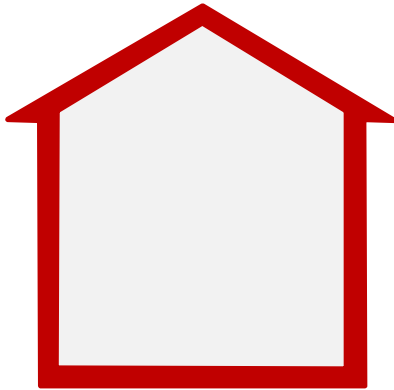
‘As an expert in the field of energy efficiency in new building I find it astonishing that countries, states and cities do not pay more attention to the actual energy consumption of new buildings. How can we be sure of the value of the codes if we don’t know how well the new buildings are performing under them? So, I guess large savings could be achieved if more attention was paid to the actual energy performance.

Jens Laustsen,
former Senior Policy Analyst for Efficiency in Buildings, IEA

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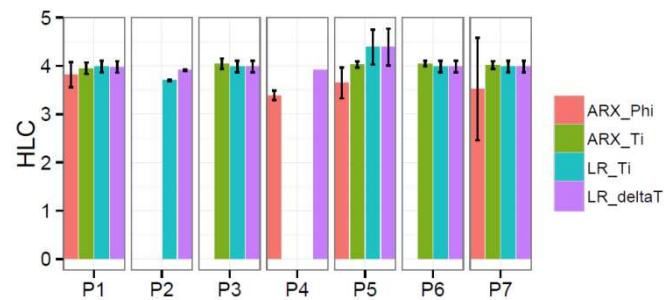
- detached
- mid terrace
- end terrace
- semi-detached



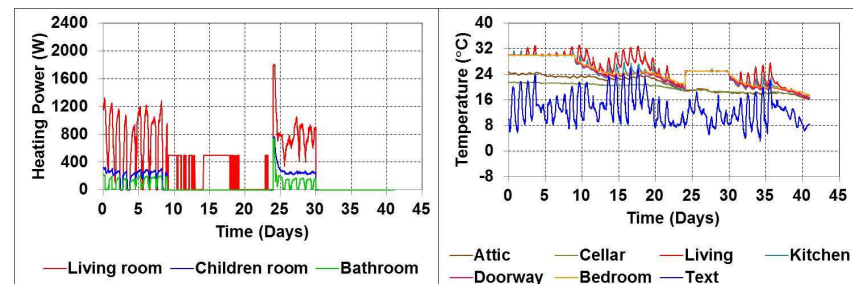
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Reliable building energy performance characterisation based on full scale dynamic measurements

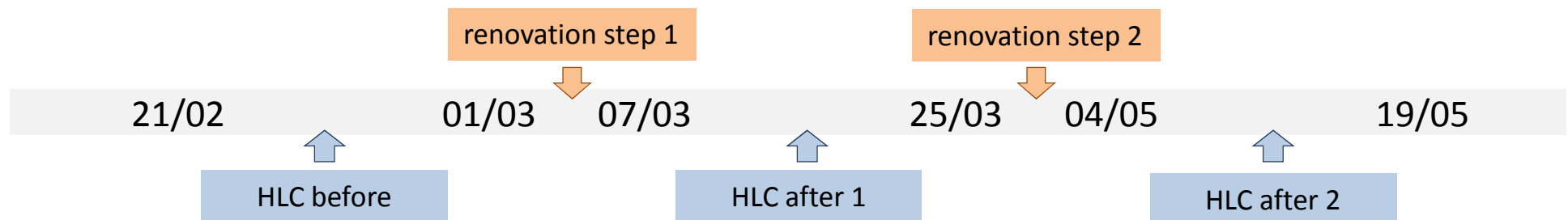
CE3-CE4



CE5



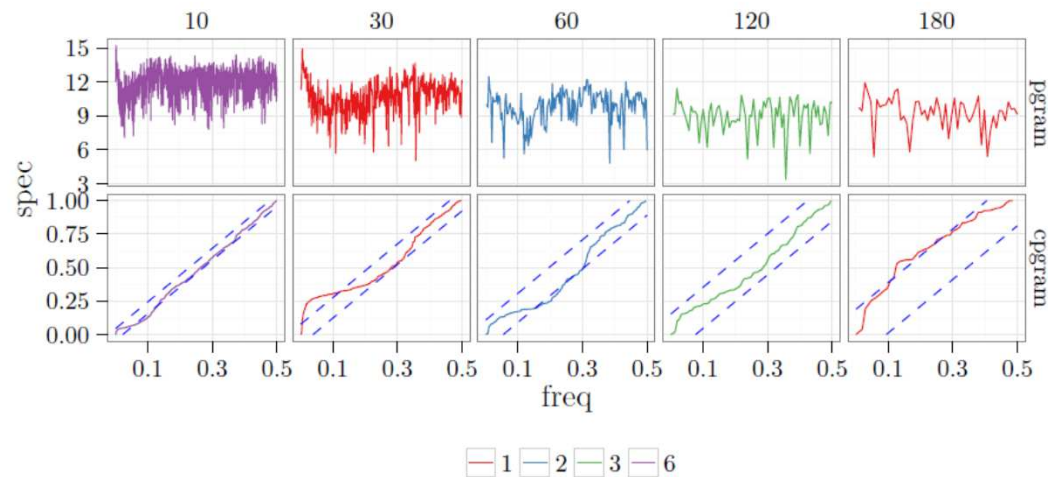
Analysis based on dedicated intrusive tests



On site assessment of thermal performance of building fabric



From static co-heating test towards dynamic building performance characterisation



	H_{tr}
Expected	207.2
LR	203.6
ARX	205.2

Today no in-use quality check and little measurement
based optimisation of buildings
At the same time, we see following trends



Internet of Things



Home automation



Big Data

To what extent can we use on board monitored data
instead of going to dedicated intrusive measurements?



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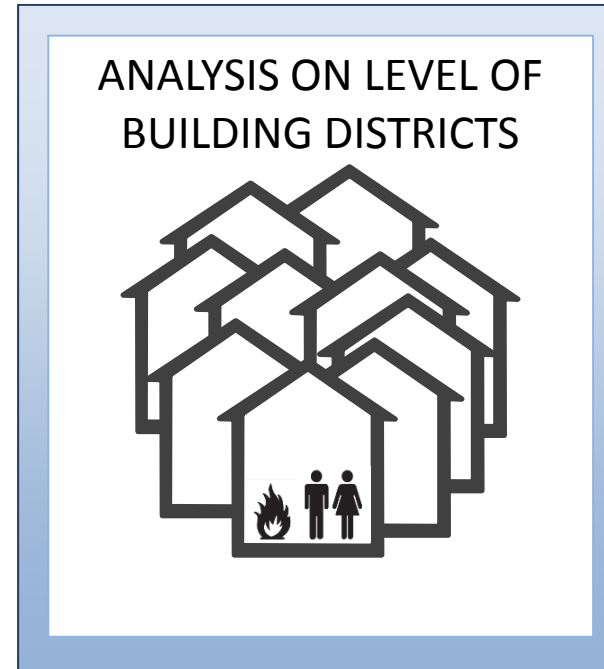
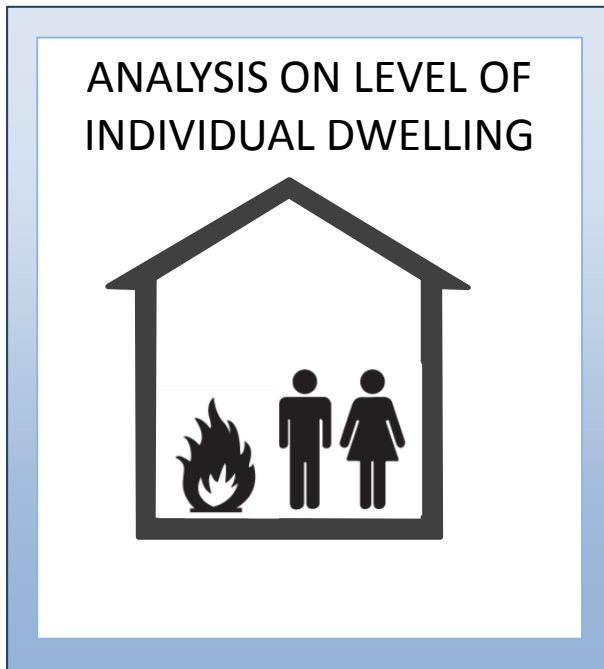
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Building energy performance assessment based on in-situ measurements

Main objective:

Support the development of replicable methodologies embedded in a statistical and building physical framework to characterize and assess the actual energy performance of buildings starting from on board monitored data of in-use buildings

Focus on residential dwellings, but both individual as aggregate scale



At both levels the development of characterization methods as well as of quality assurance methods will be explored

CHARACTERIZATION METHODS

- Translate the (dynamic) behaviour of a building into a simplified model
- Simplified model can be used in model predictive control, fault detection, optimisation of district energy systems,...

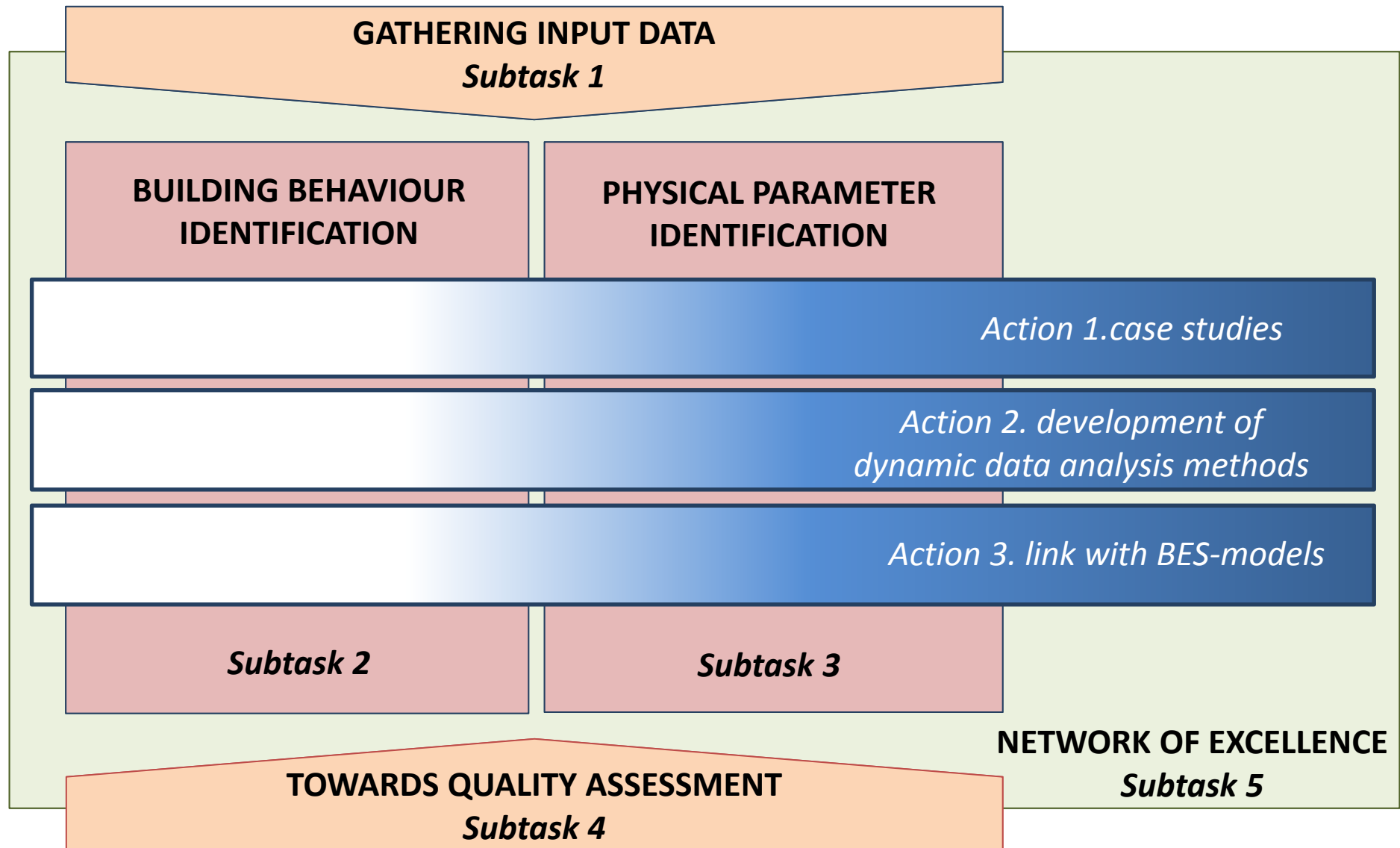
building behaviour identification

QUALITY ASSURANCE METHODS

- Pinpoint some of the most relevant actual building performances
- For instance: the overall heat loss coefficient of a building, the energy efficiency of the heating (cooling) system, air tightness, solar absorption,...

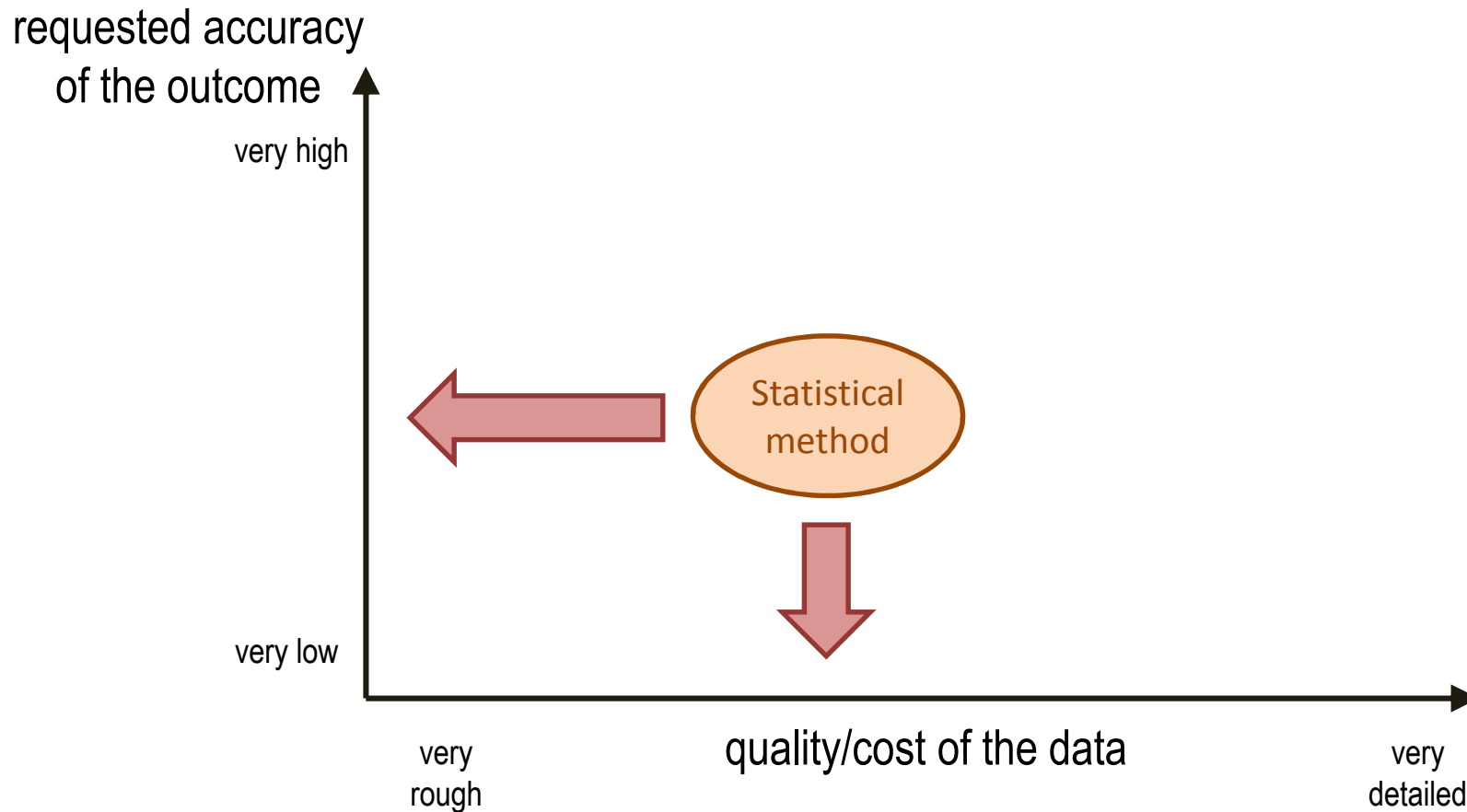
physical parameter identification

Overall structure



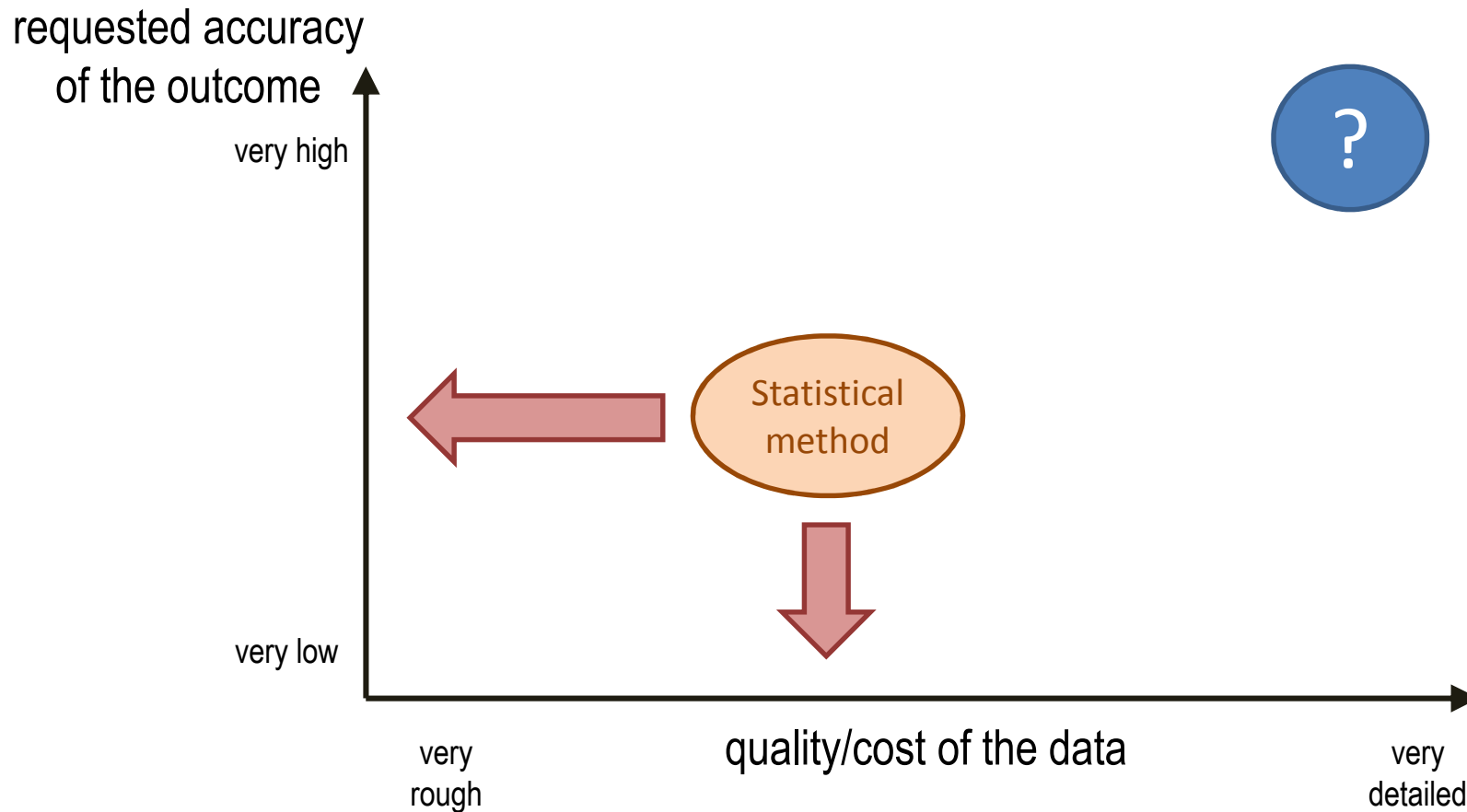
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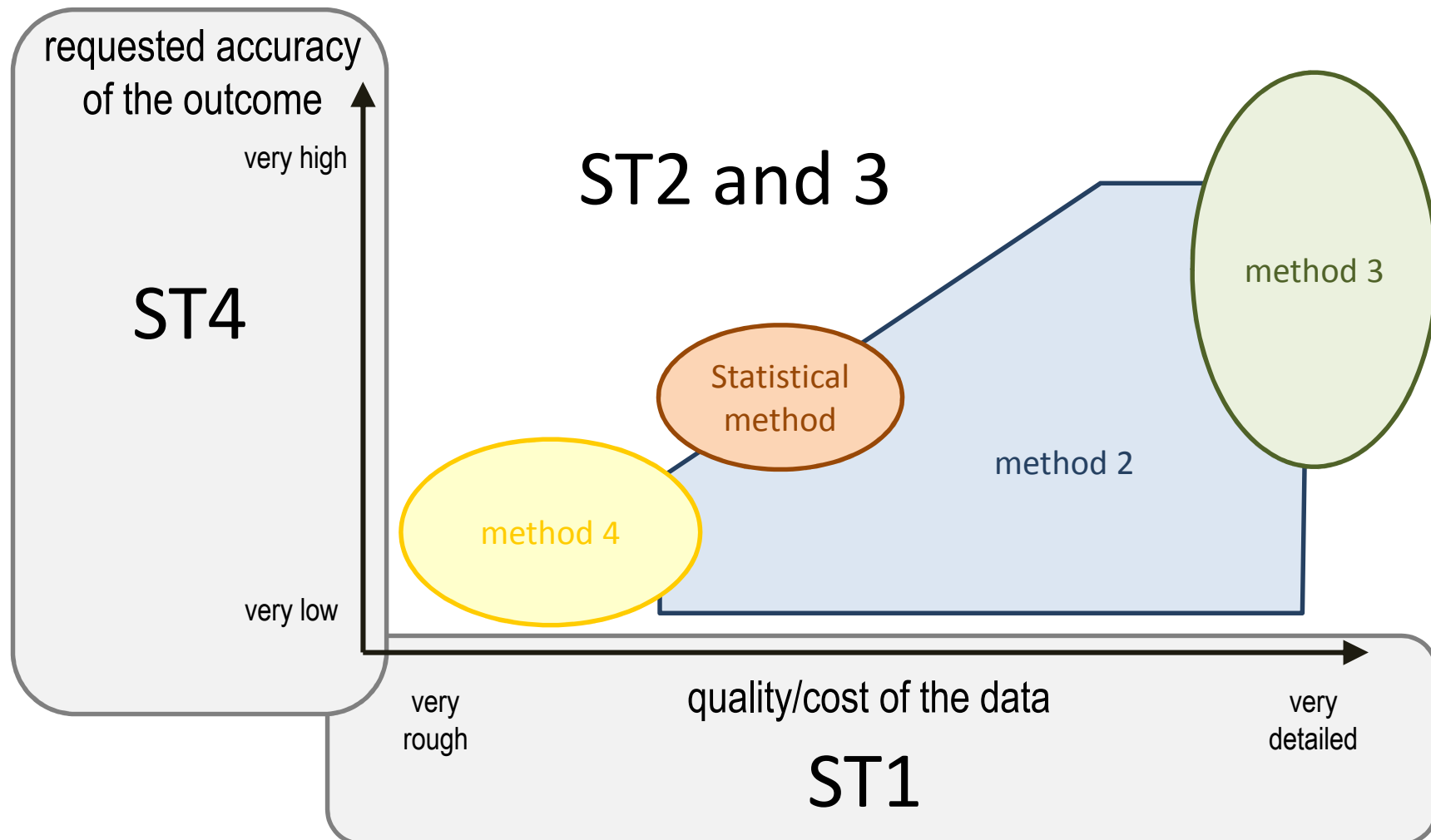
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First explorative results



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- calculate the overall heat transfer coefficient (ST3)

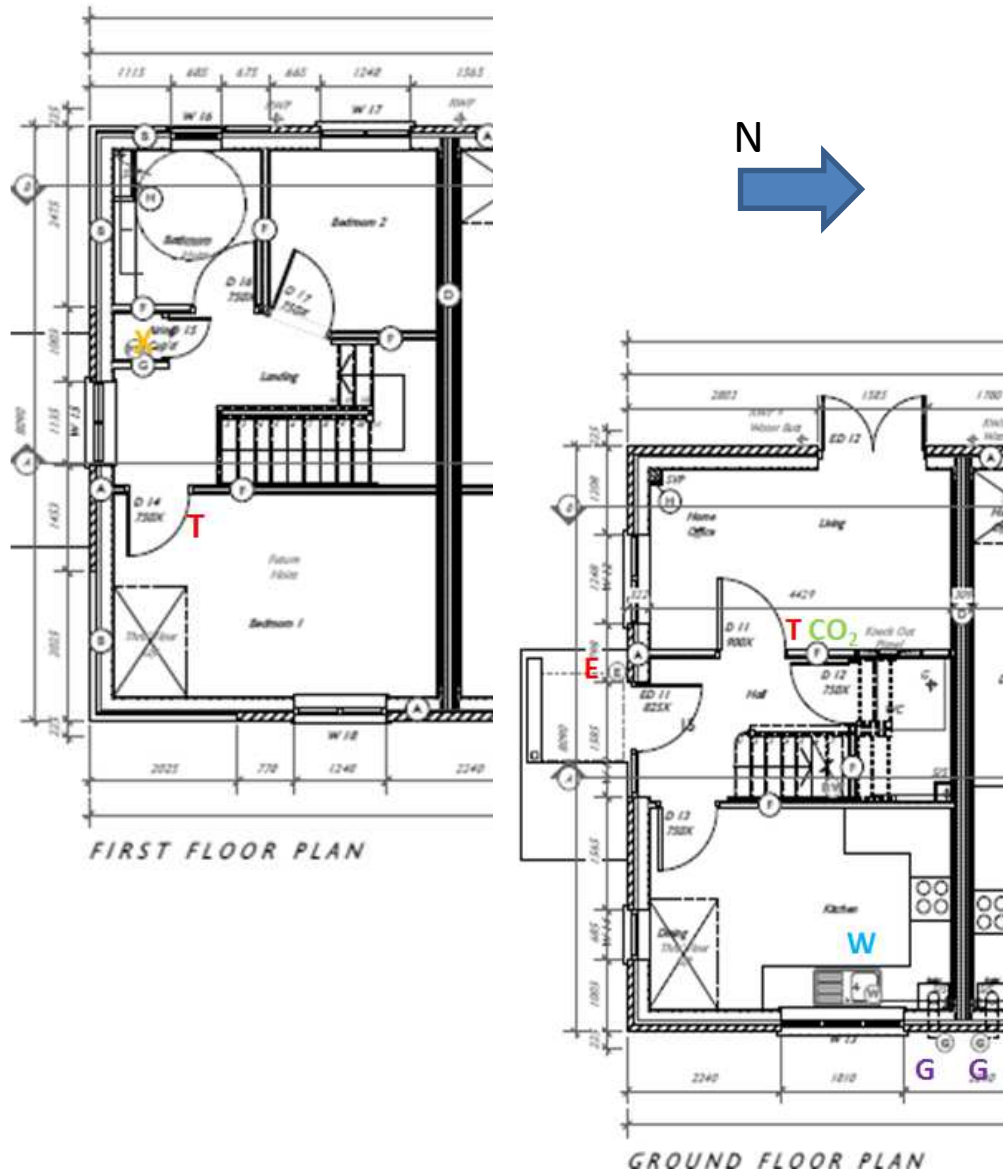
CE1 – Gainsborough case



- South-facing end-terrace of 4 single family housing block
- Gainsborough, UK
- Social housing
- Occupied by 1 adult + 2 children
- Code for sustainable homes level 5

[1] Sodagar B and Starkey D, 2016. The monitored performance of four social houses certified to the Code for Sustainable Homes Level 5. Energy and Buildings 110: 245-256'

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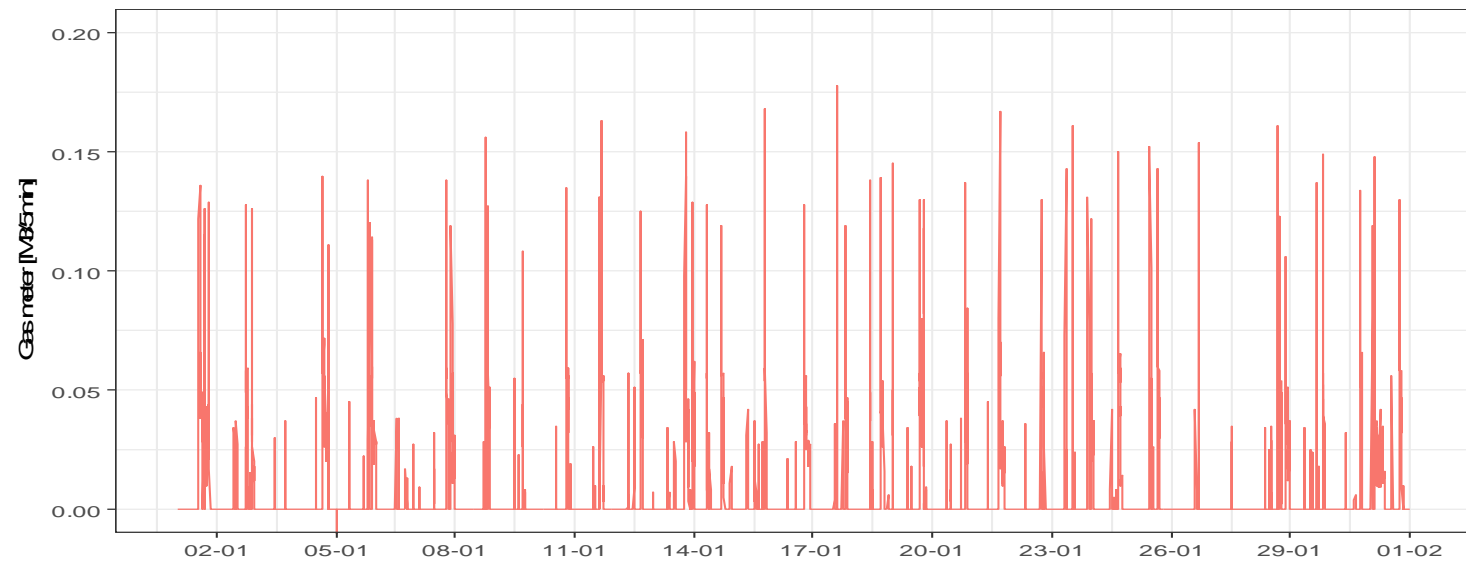
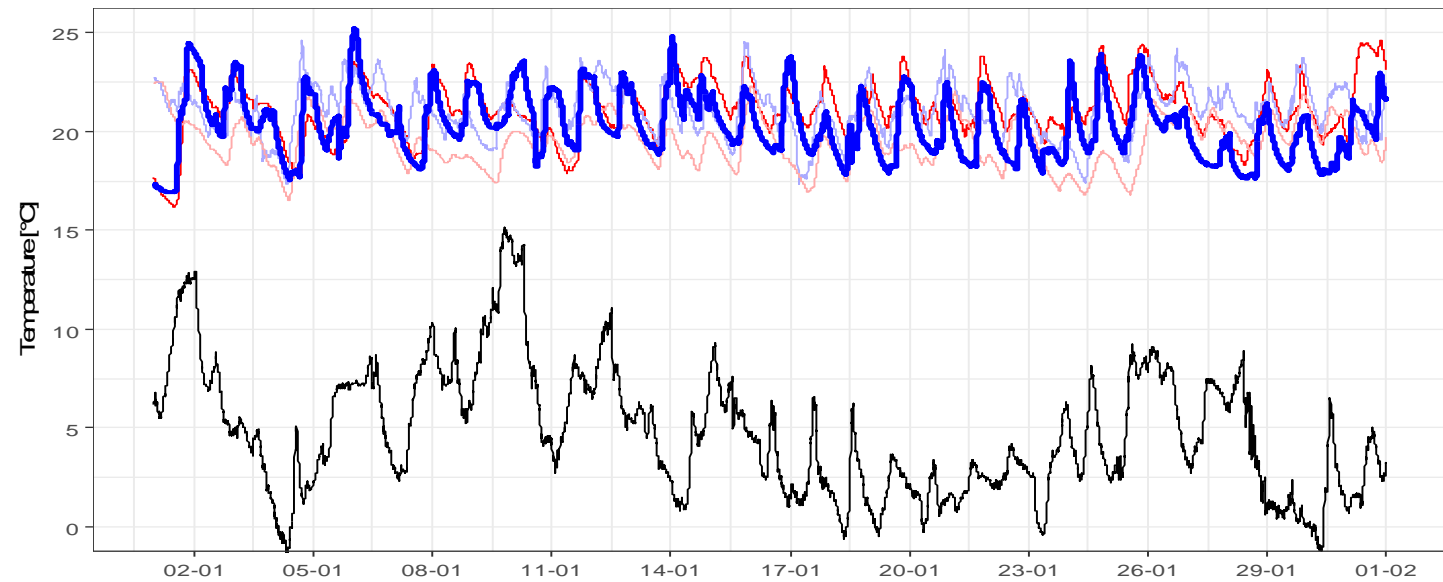


- 2-storey house
- Total floor area 67m²
- Well-insulated and air-tight envelope
 - $U_{avg} \sim 0.12 \text{ W}/(\text{m}^2.\text{K})$
 - $v_{50} \sim 3.65 \text{ m}^3/(\text{h}.\text{m}^2)$
- Gas-boiler for space heating & domestic hot water
- Mechanical ventilation with heat recovery
- Roof-mounted PV-system

CE1 – Gainsborough Data

- Data collected between October '12 and November '15
- Data set contains
 - On site (5 min sampling time)
 - Indoor temperature & RH (living room and bedroom)
 - Outdoor temperature & RH
 - Neighbour temperature & RH
 - CO₂ (living room)
 - Supply and return temperature & RH (ventilation)
 - Gas consumption
 - Mains water consumption
 - Electricity consumption (mains, MVHR & PV)
 - Off site (Weather station Waddington; hourly)
 - Outdoor temperature
 - Wind speed, direction
 - Global horizontal irradiance

CE1 – Gainsborough Data



CE1 – Identified challenges

Challenges data

- Missing data
- No sub-metering (gas & electricity)
- Room temperatures representative?
- Occupancy unknown (at high resolution)
- Low heat demand -> intermittency
- Temperature control
- ...

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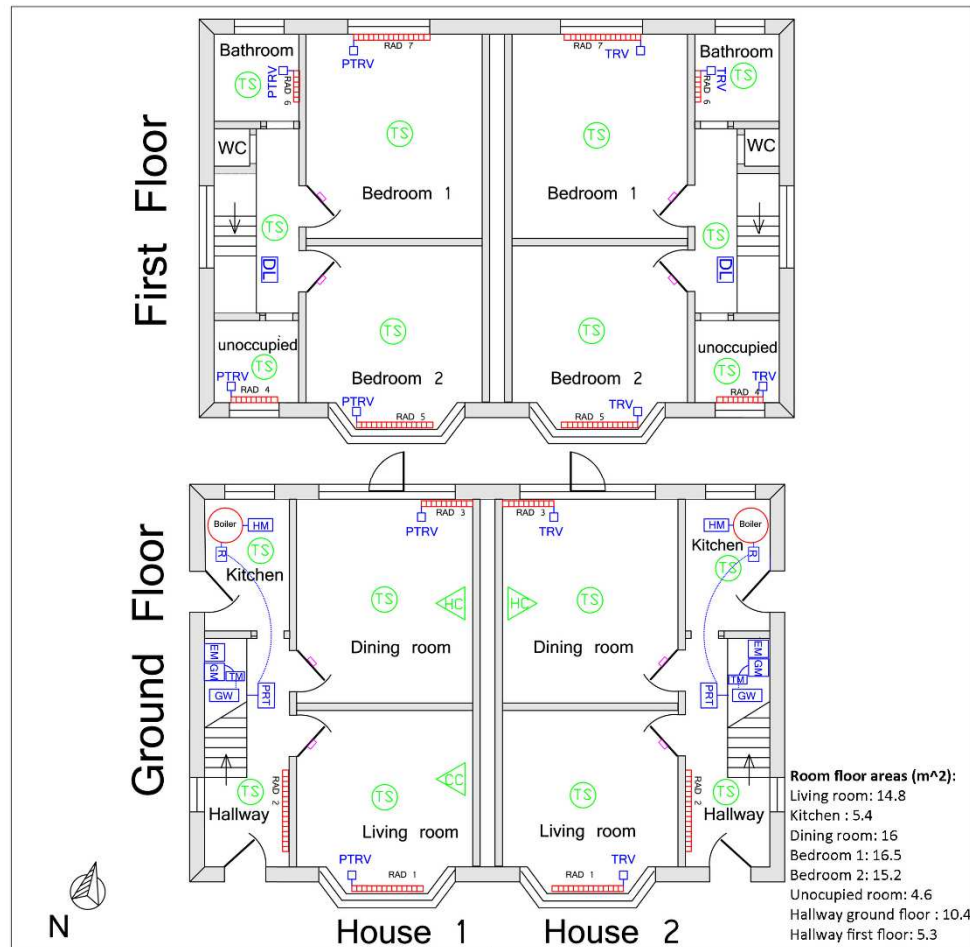
CE1bis – Loughborough case

- West-facing house of 2 identical semi-detached dwellings
- Loughborough, UK
- Un-renovated 1930s
- Synthetic occupants



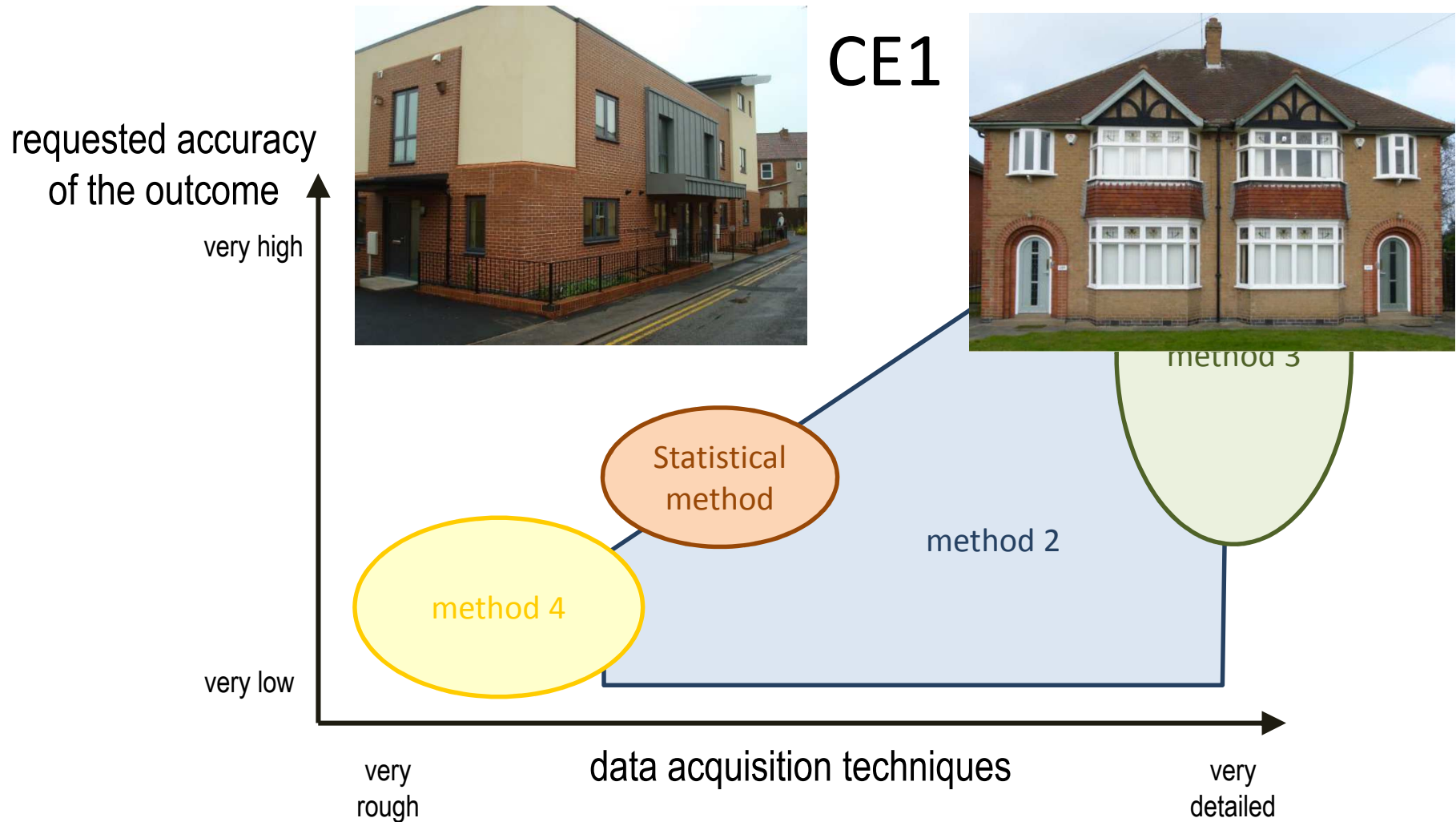
[2] Beizaee A et. al., 2015. Measuring the potential of zonal space heating controls to reduce energy use in UK homes: The case of un-furbished 1930s dwellings. Energy and Buildings 95: 20-44

CE1 – Loughborough case



- 2-storey house
- Total floor area 92m²
- Un-insulated envelope
 - $U_{\text{wall}} \sim 1.6 \text{ W}/(\text{m}^2.\text{K})$
 - $U_{\text{roof}} \sim 2.3 \text{ W}/(\text{m}^2.\text{K})$
 - $U_{\text{win}} \sim 4.8 \text{ W}/(\text{m}^2.\text{K})$
 - $\text{HLC}_{\text{theoretic}} \sim 382 \text{ W/K}$
- Gas-boiler for space heating only (no DHW)
- No mechanical ventilation, but n_{50} of 21.5 ACH

First explorative results

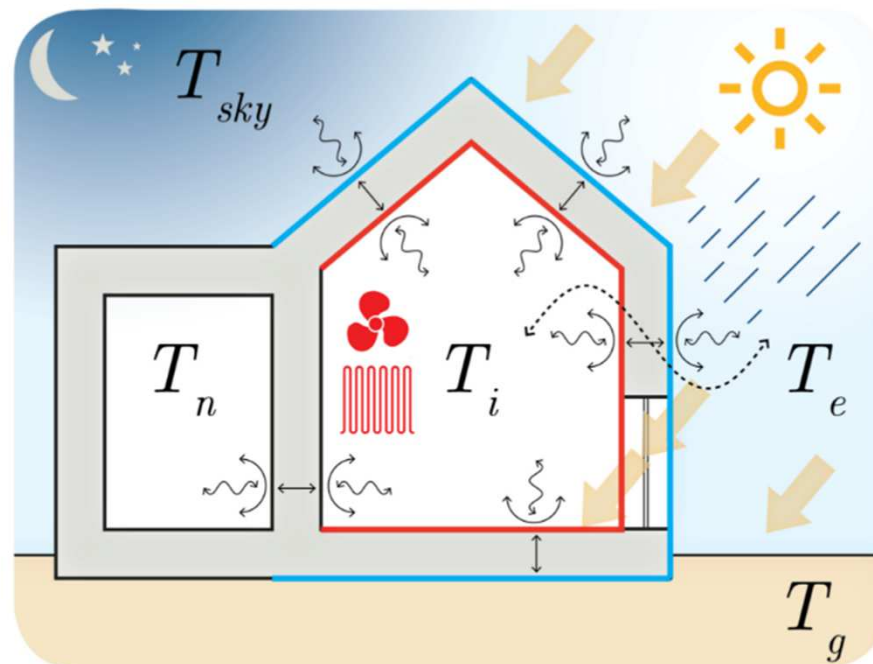


First common exercise to explore the matrix

First explorative results ST3

Estimate global as-built heat transfer coefficient HTC,
based on measured data during normal operating conditions

$$C_i \frac{\partial \theta_i}{\partial t} = \Phi_h + \Phi_{int} + \Phi_{sol} + \Phi_l + \Phi_{tr} + \Phi_v + \Phi_m$$



HTC ?

$$C_i \frac{\partial \theta_i}{\partial t} = \Phi_h + \Phi_{int} + \Phi_{sol} + \Phi_l + \Phi_{tr} + \Phi_v + \Phi_m$$

$$\Phi_{tr} = \Phi_{tr}^e + \Phi_{tr}^n + \Phi_{tr}^{adj} + \Phi_{tr}^g$$

$$\Phi_{tr}^e + \Phi_{tr}^g \sim HTC$$

A needle in a haystack?



$$C_i \frac{\partial \theta_i}{\partial t} = \Phi_h + \Phi_{int} + \Phi_{sol} + \Phi_l + \Phi_{tr} + \Phi_v + \Phi_m$$



HTC

Exploration of different methods:

- Averaging method
- Energy signature model
- AR(MA)X-models
- grey box models
- ...

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AVERAGING METHOD

$$0 = \Phi_h + \Phi_{int} + \Phi_{sol} + \tilde{\Phi}_{tr} = \Phi_h + \Phi_{int} + \Phi_{sol} + HTC.(\theta_e - \theta_i)$$

Averaging all data points:

$$\sum (\Phi_h + \Phi_{sol}) = HTC. \sum (\theta_i - \theta_e)$$

ENERGY SIGNATURE MODEL

$$0 = \Phi_h + \Phi_{int} + \Phi_{sol} + \tilde{\Phi}_{tr} = \Phi_h + \Phi_{int} + \Phi_{sol} + HTC.(\theta_e - \theta_i)$$

Definition of a base temperature:

$$\Phi_{int} + \Phi_{sol} = HTC.(\theta_i - \theta_b)$$

$$\Phi_h = HTC.(\theta_b - \theta_e) \delta_h \text{ with } \delta_h=1 \text{ if } \theta_e < \theta_b \\ \delta_h=0 \text{ if } \theta_e \geq \theta_b$$

Linear regression of time interval integrated data yields HTC and base temperature.

AR(MA)X-models

Auto-regressive models with eXogeneous inputs:

$$\omega_i(B)T_{i,t} = \omega_e(B)T_{e,t} + \omega_h(B)\Phi_{h,t}^h + \omega_{sol}(B)I_{sol,t} + \mu + \epsilon_t$$

Dynamic model that links current output at time t with previous inputs and outputs

Black box model; direct link with physics is lost, but stationary properties of the model can be deduced

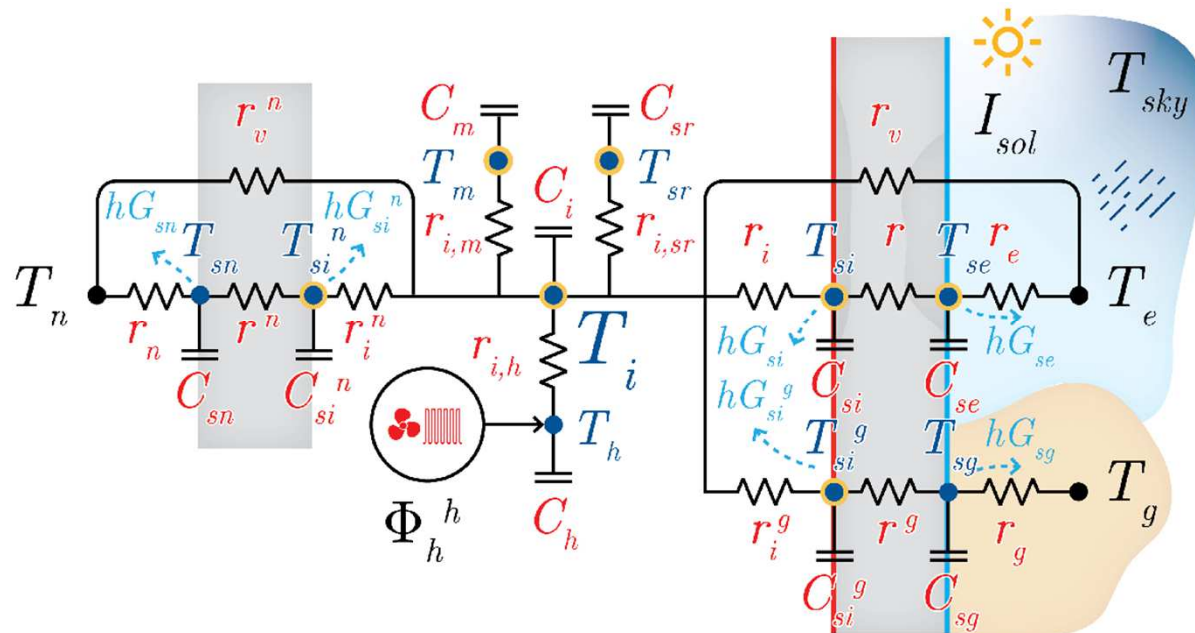
STATE SPACE MODELS

Continuous time stochastic state space models:

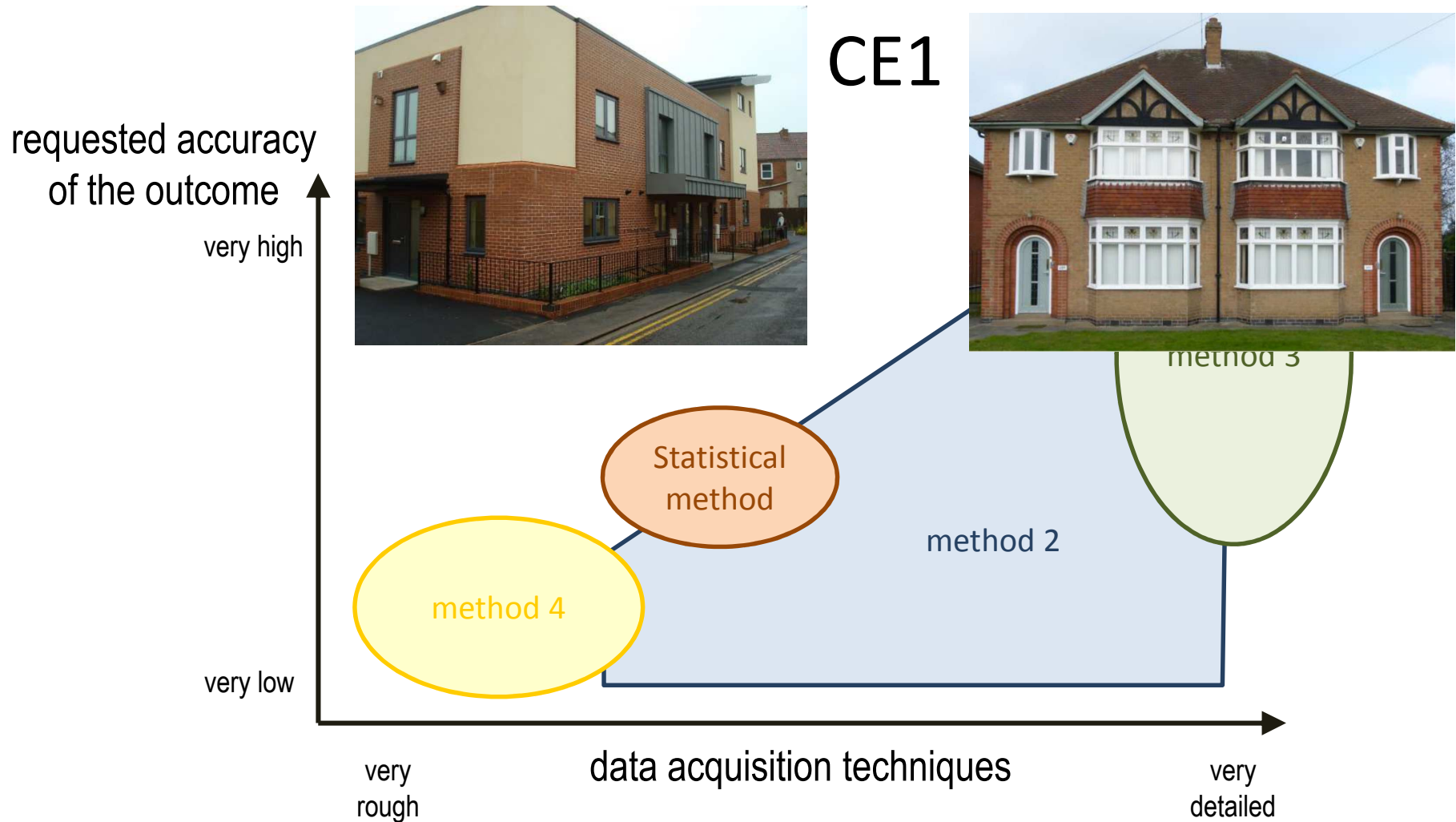
$$d\mathbf{T}(t) = \mathbf{A}_c \mathbf{T}(t)dt + \mathbf{B}_c \mathbf{U}(t)dt + \mathbf{W}(t)$$

$$\mathbf{Y}_t = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{T}_t + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{U}_t + \mathbf{e}_t$$

Parameter estimation based on maximising the likelihood function.



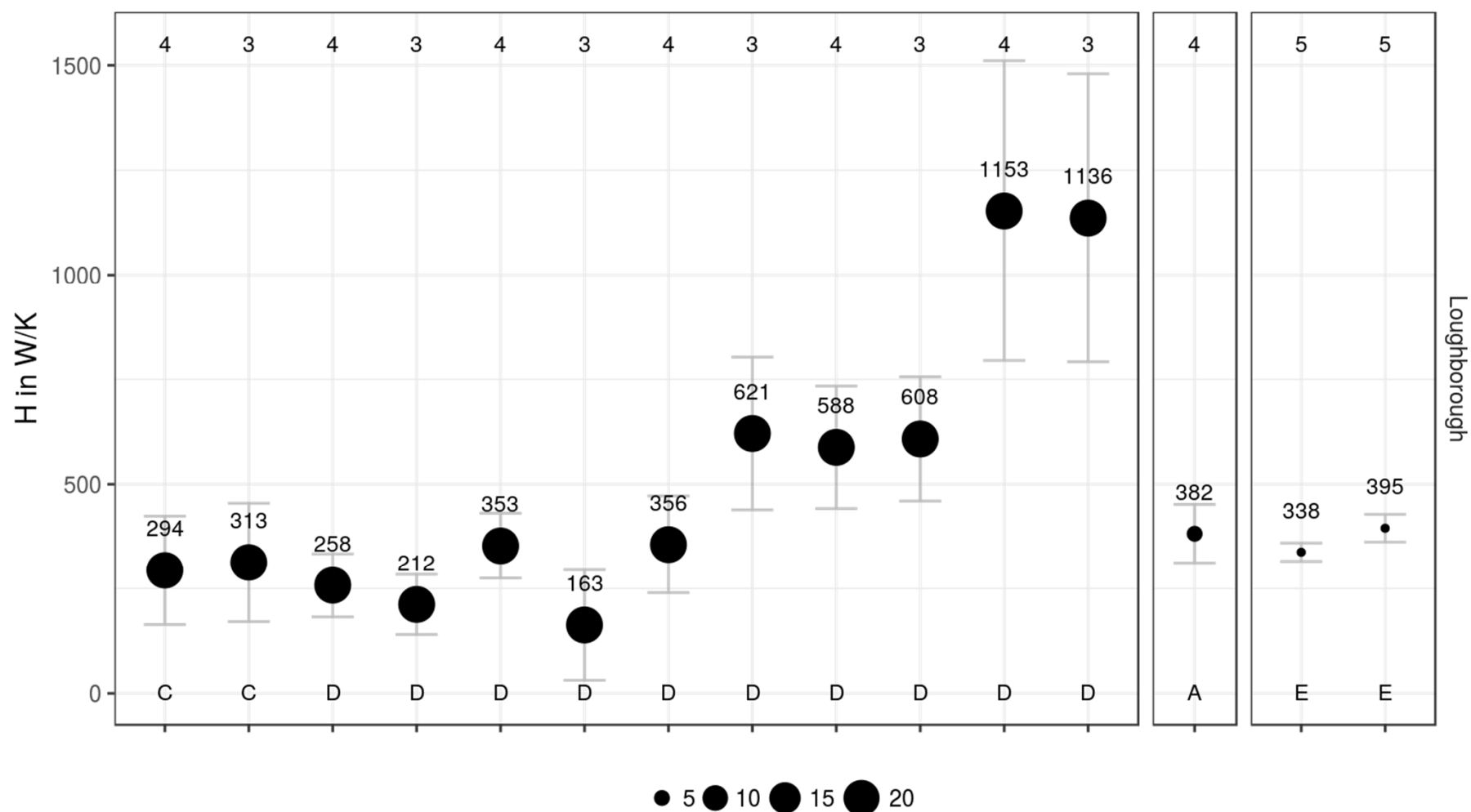
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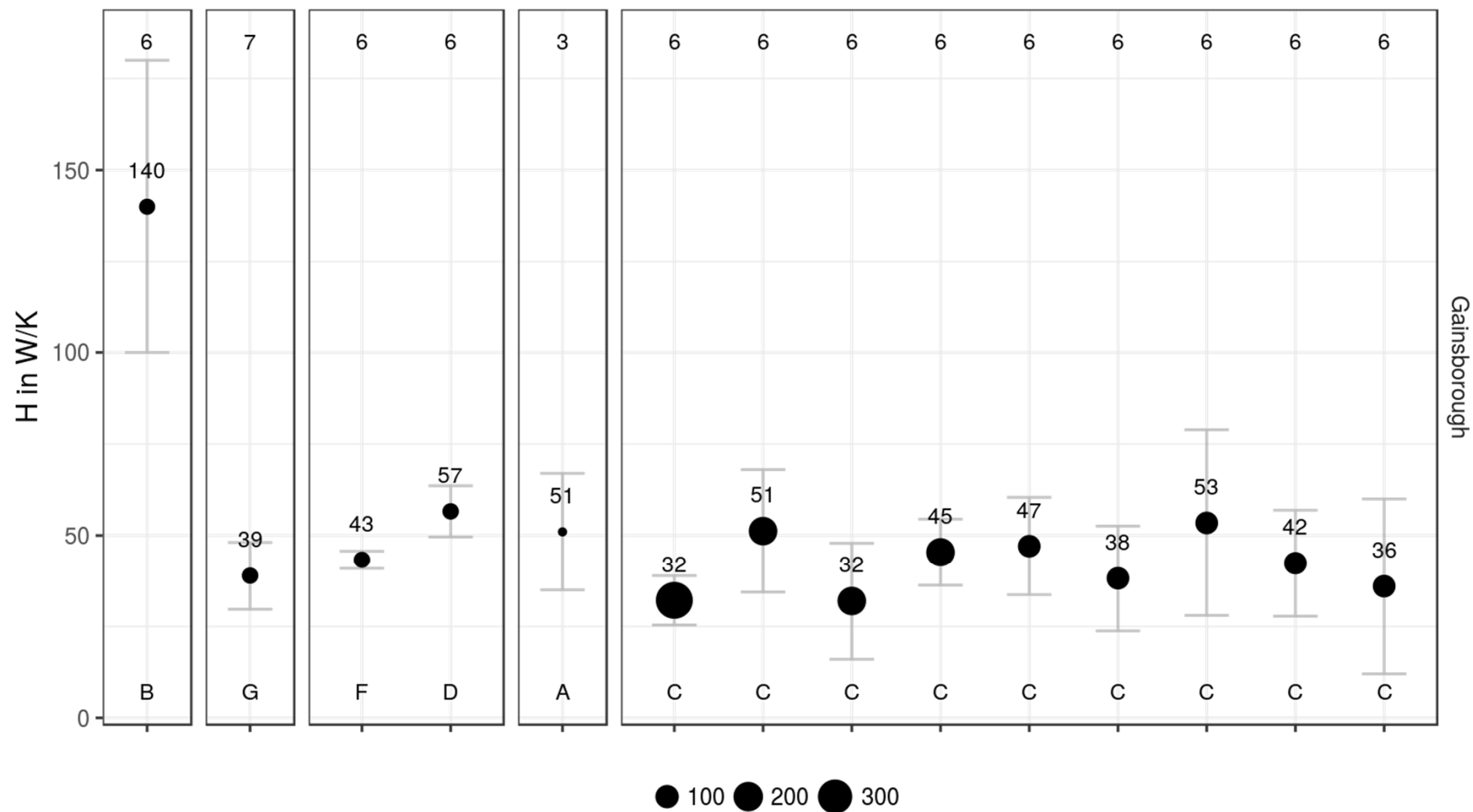
Loughborough case



A: Bayesian - MCMC, B: BEECHAM, C: Linear regression, D: ARX, E: Average, F: RC (LORD), G: Grey-box (CTSM-R)



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Preliminary conclusions

- Different techniques can be applied to assess the performance of a building in use
- Methods differ in input data and accuracy of output data
- Several questions remain to be answered:
 - robustness, reliability and accuracy of the methods
 - required accuracy for different use cases
 - acceptable costs for different use cases
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More results in due time!

Questions?