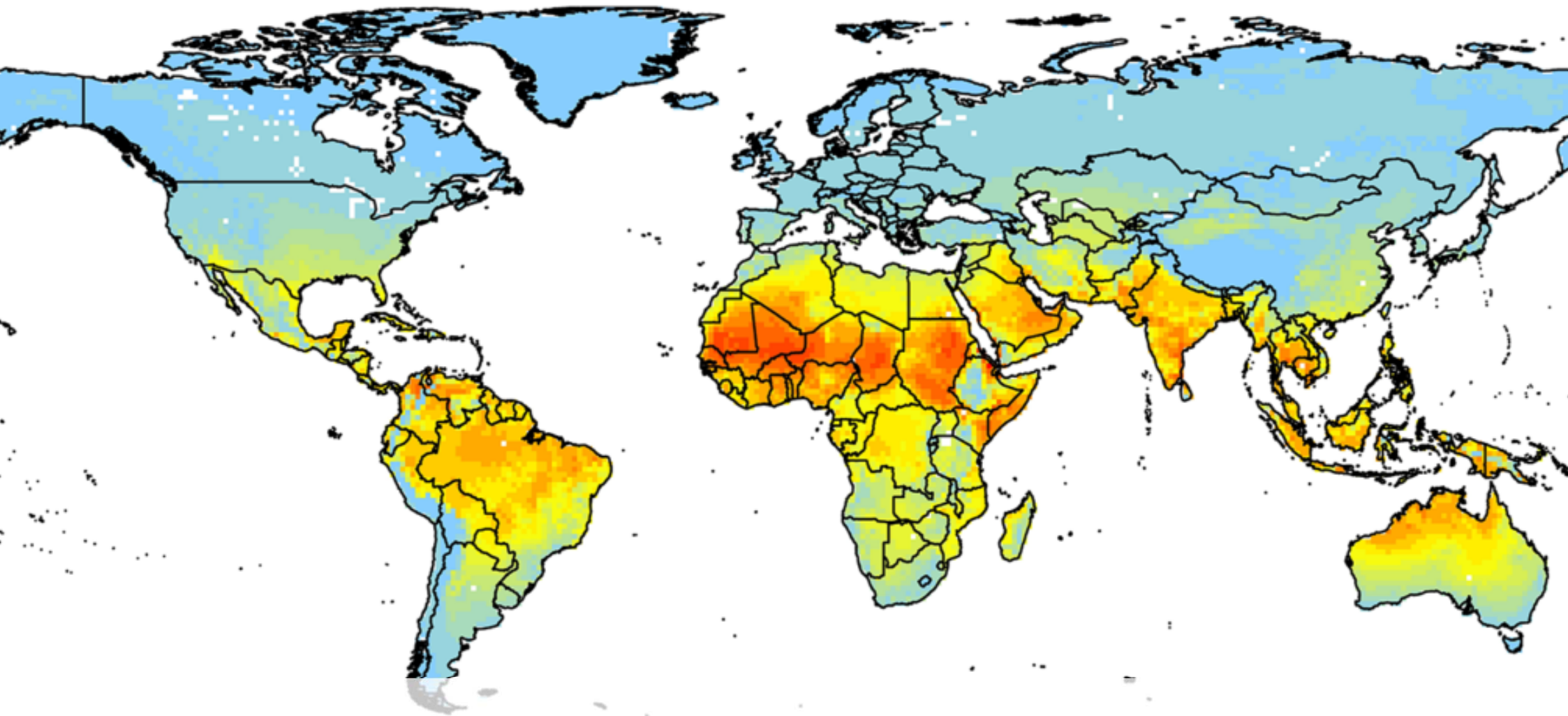




First move the air, then cool it

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People living in the Tropics: ~40% (2019) to 60% (2060)

1000

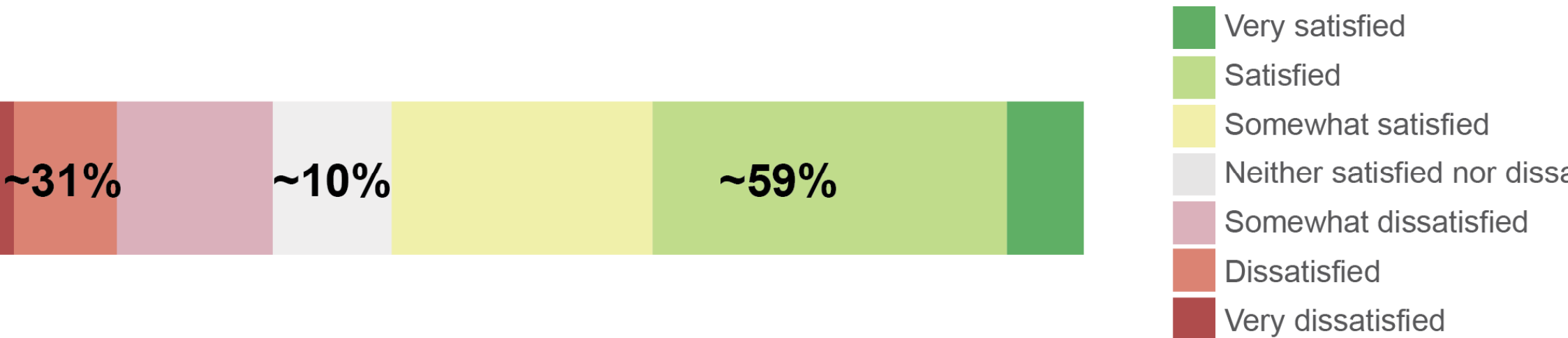
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4000

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How satisfied are you with the temperature of your workspace?



Energy savings and inexpensive

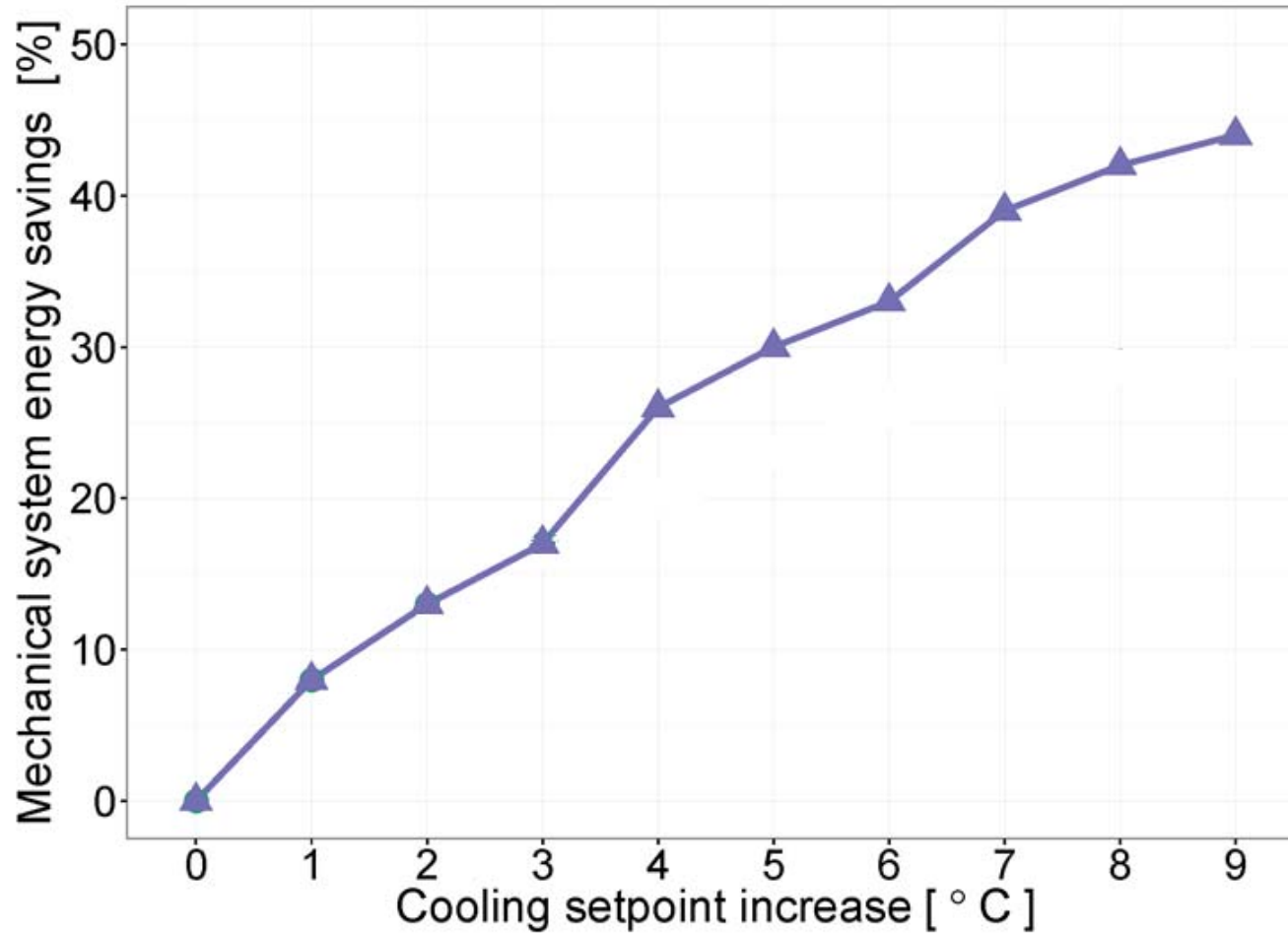


100 - 1500 W
Thousands \$



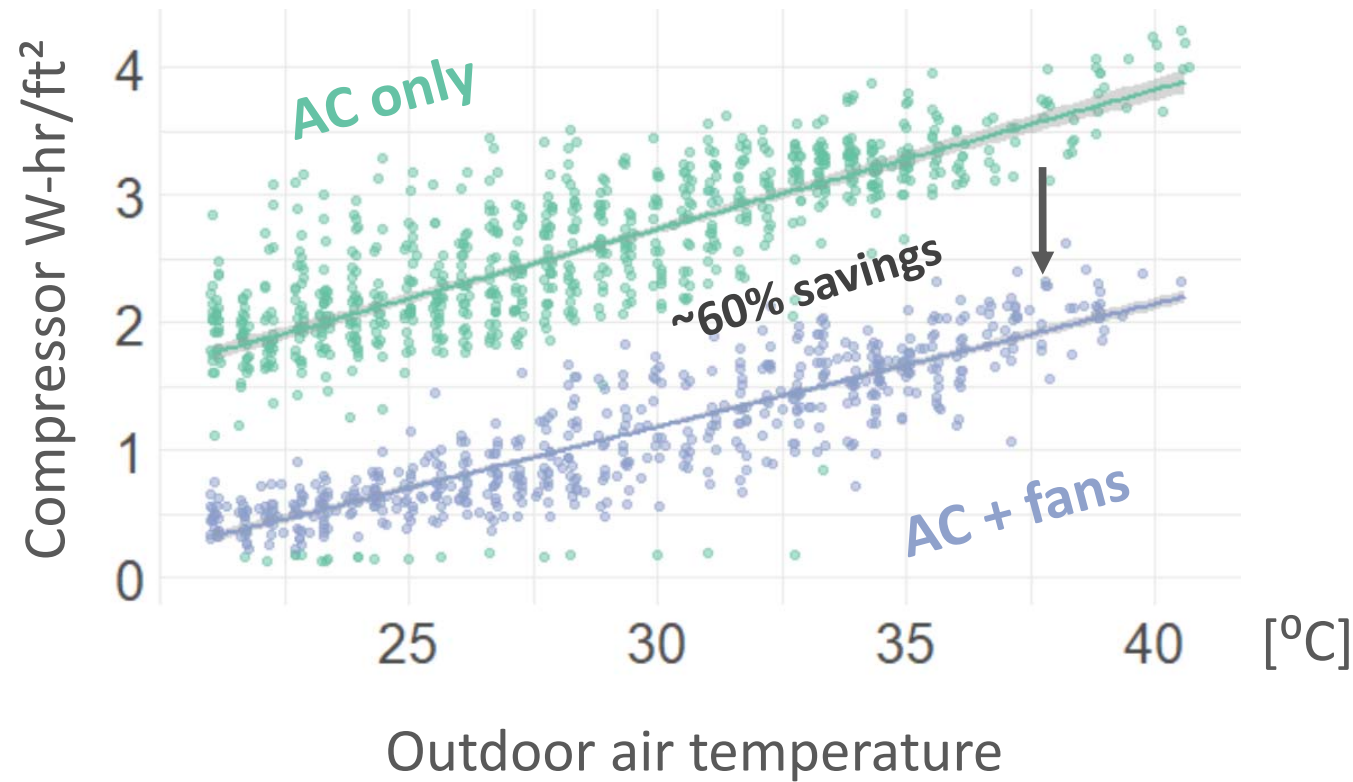
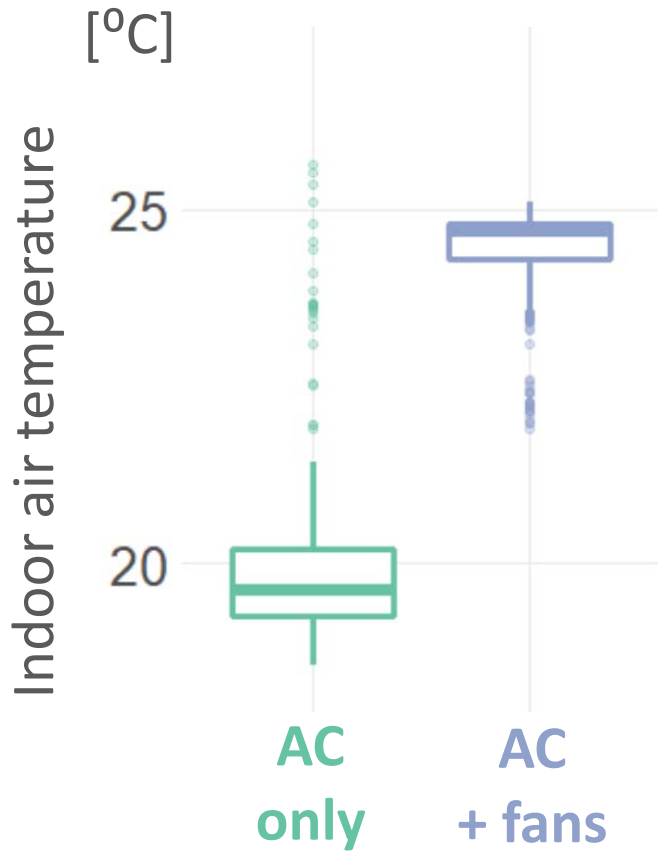
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Hundreds \$

Saving energy: Simulations



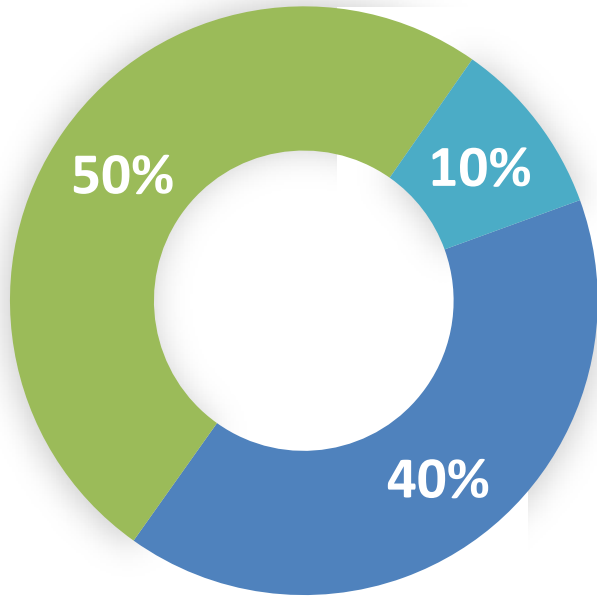
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Energy savings: Measured in real building



People want it: Air movement preference

Across all comfort conditions
N=35,000

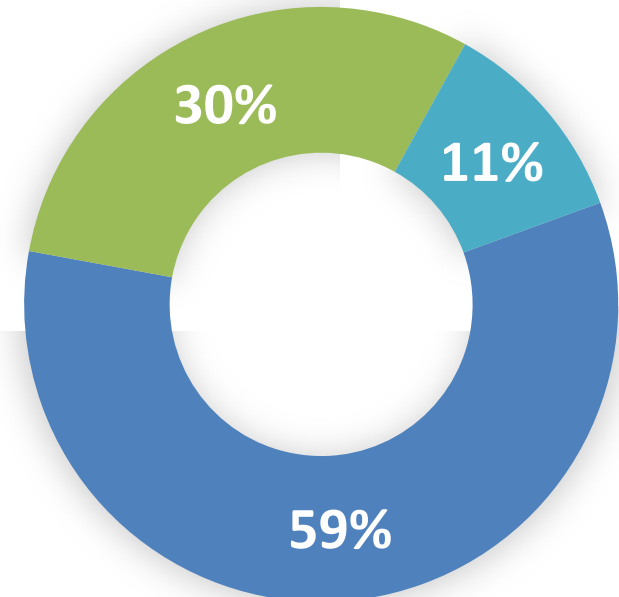


Want more

No change

Want less

For occupants who feel 'slightly warm'
N=6,400





Source: Aeratron

Conventional operation

Air temperature

22



Cooling setpoint



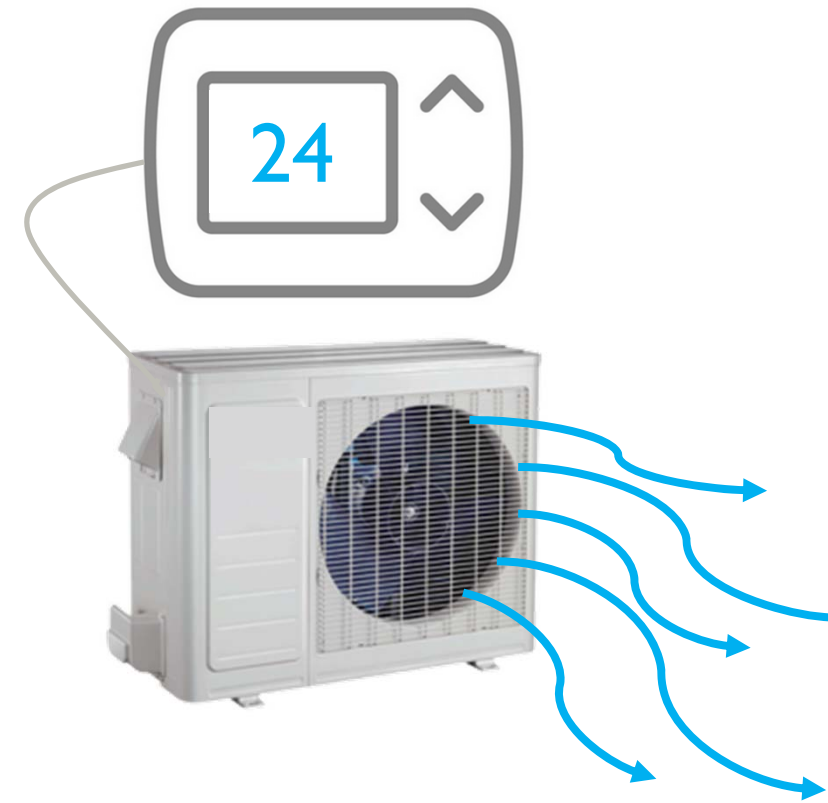
Conventional operation

Air temperature

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Cooling setpoint



'Fans first' staged cooling with fans and AC

Air temperature

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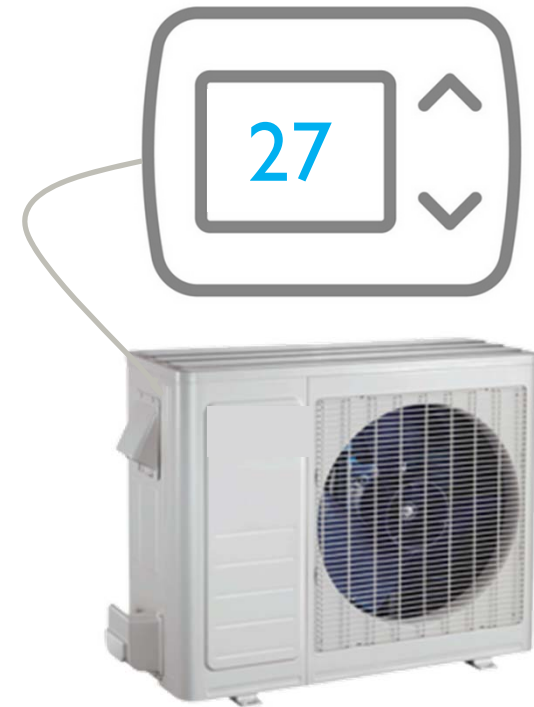


Cooling setpoint

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Cooling setpoint



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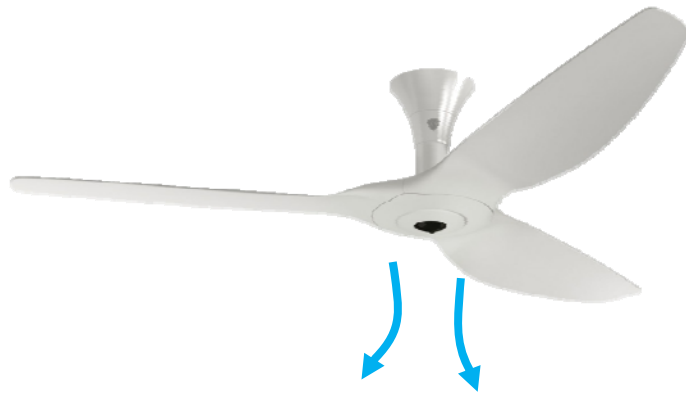
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Cooling setpoint

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Cooling setpoint



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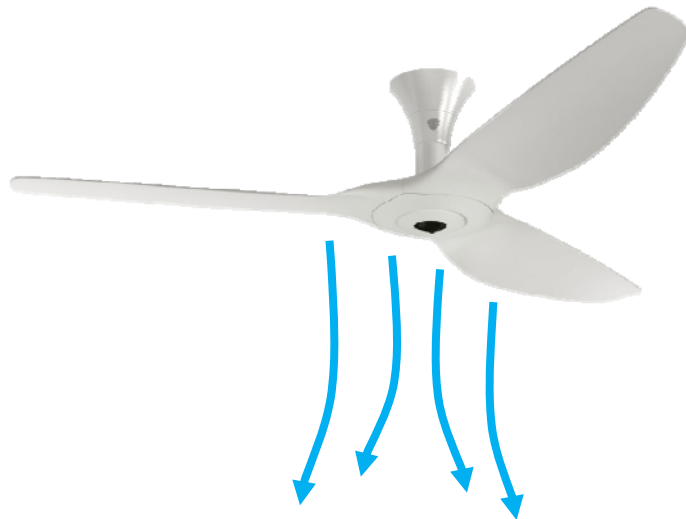
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Cooling setpoint

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Cooling setpoint



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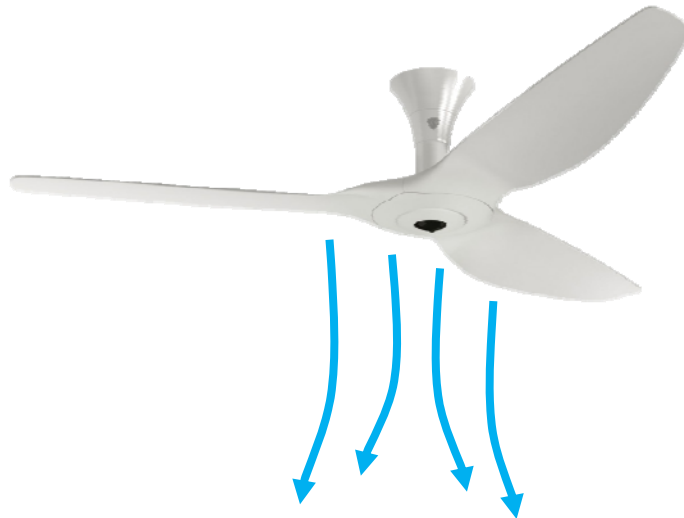
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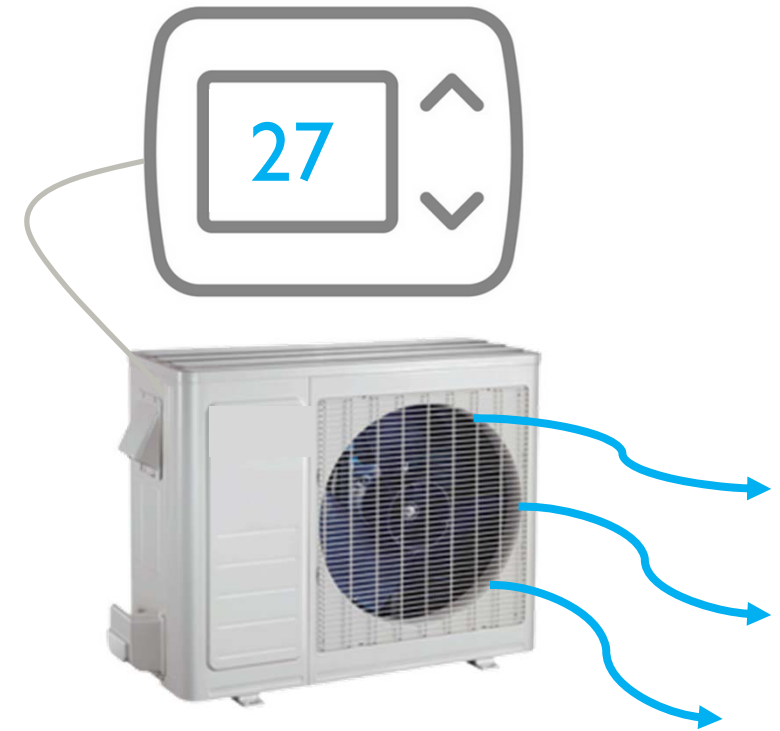


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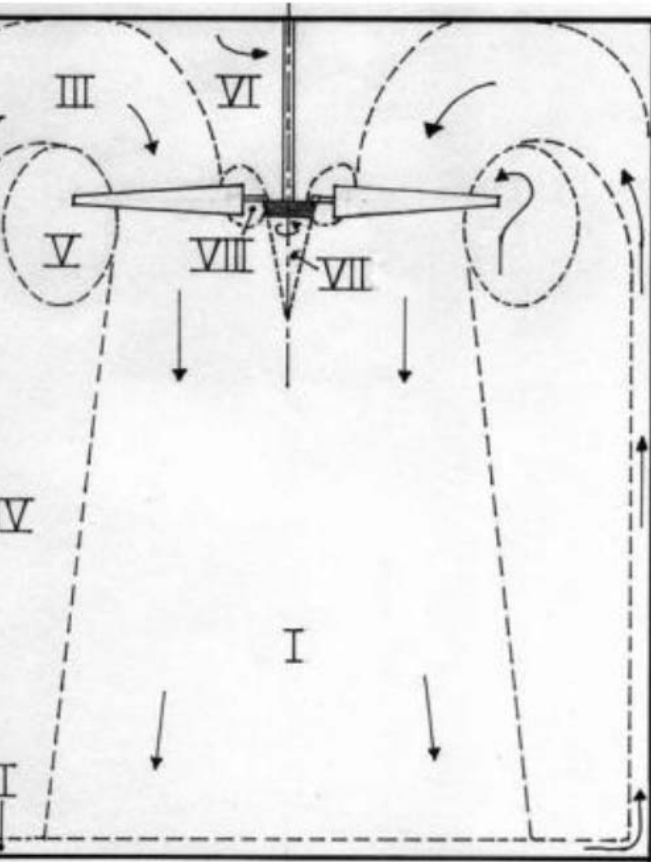


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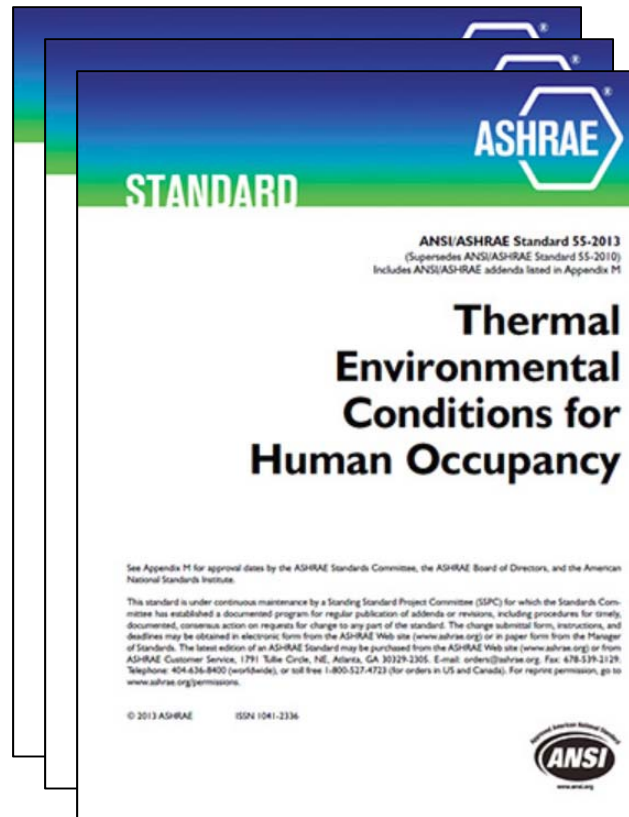


Why challenging?

Technical



Regulatory



Cultural

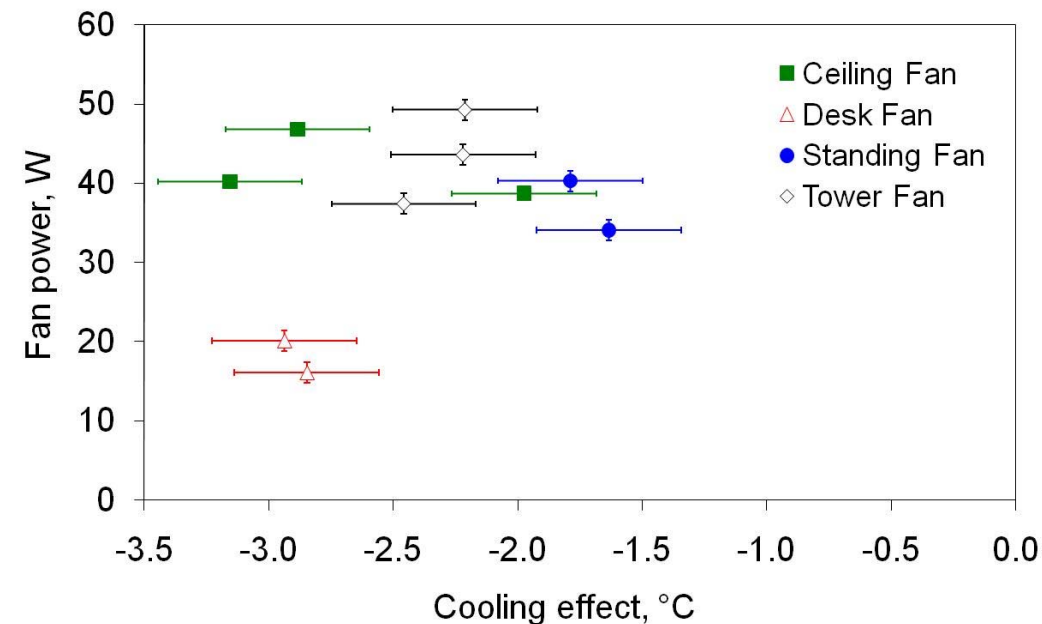


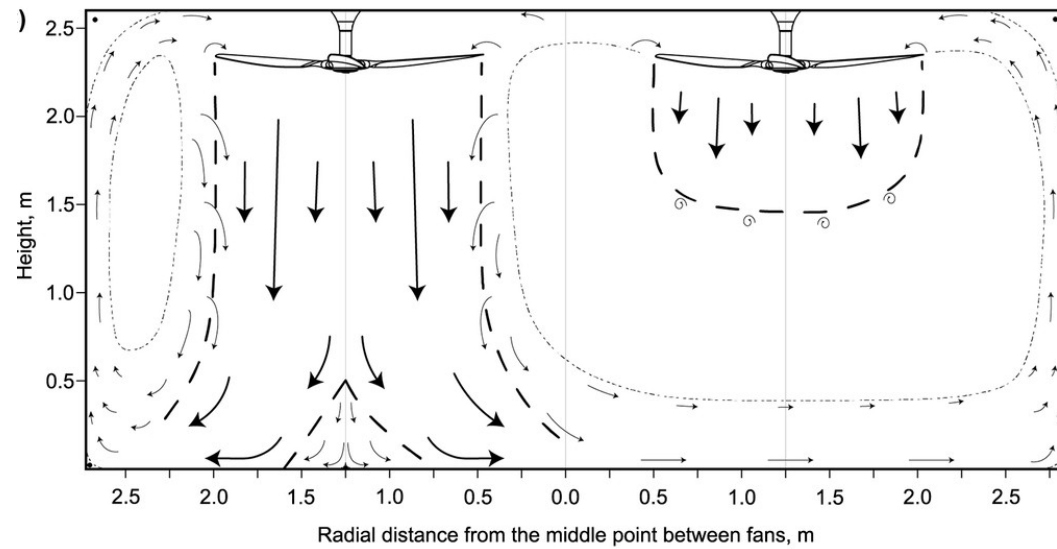
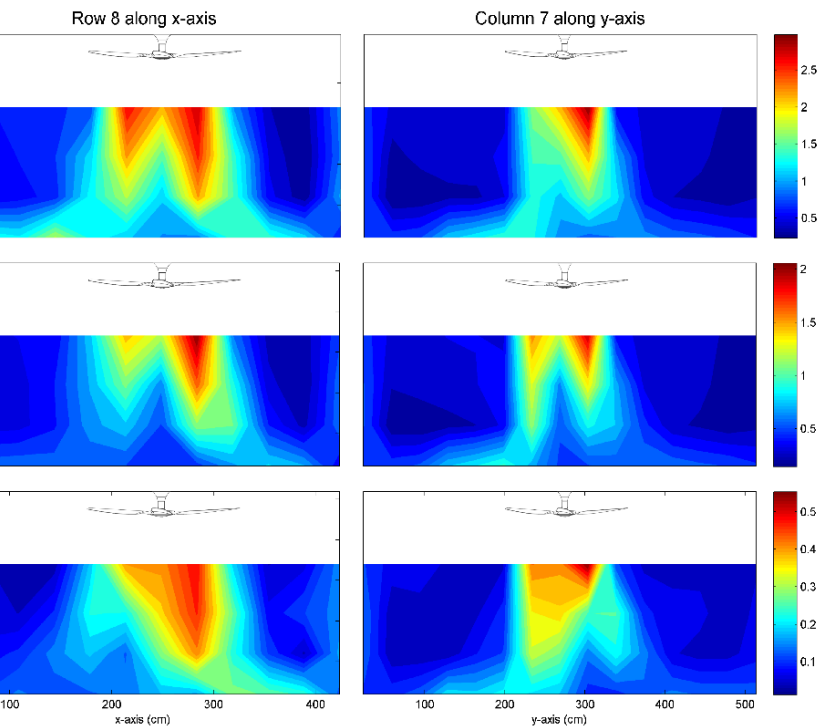
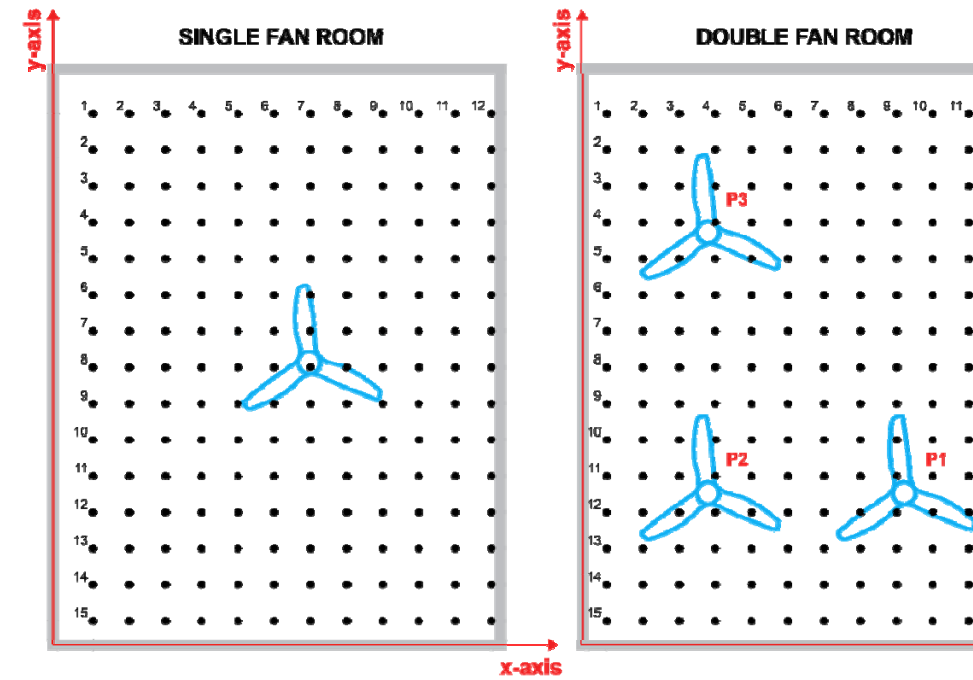
Cooling fan efficiency index (now included in ASHRAE 216)

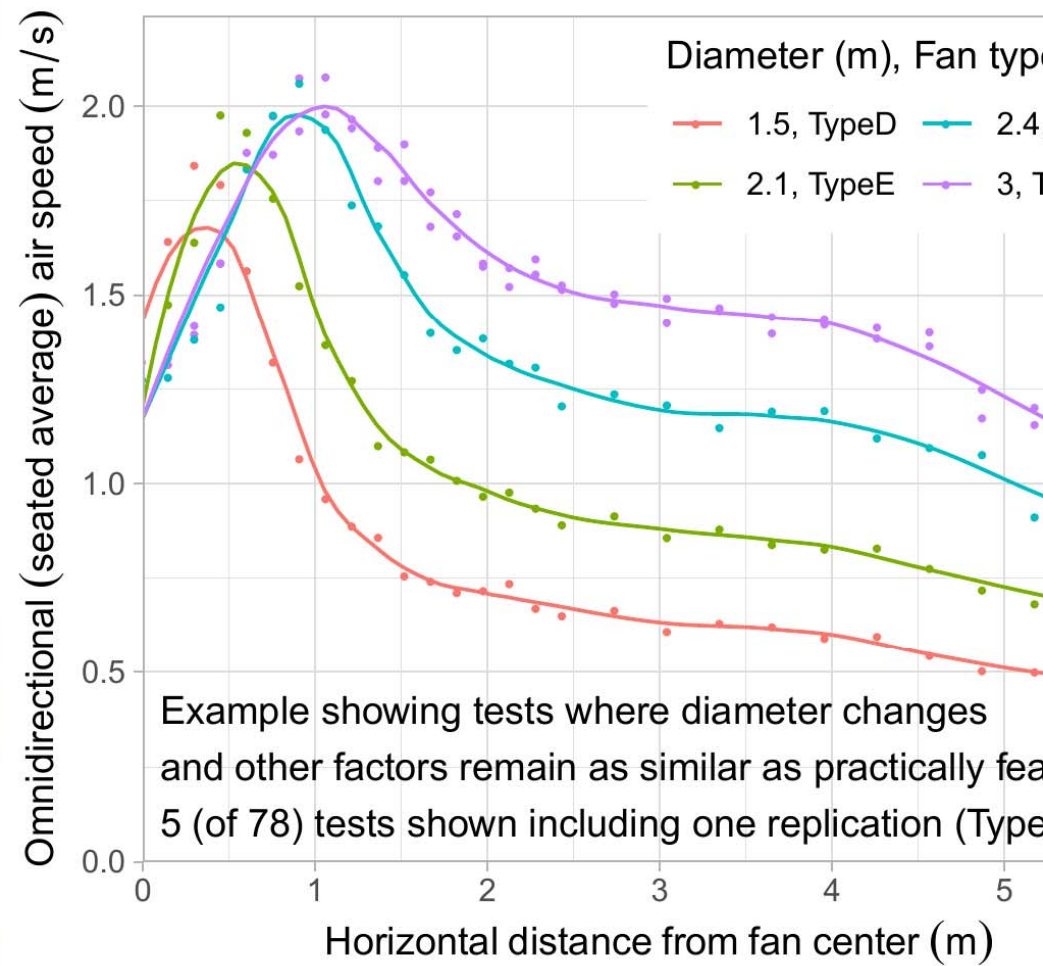
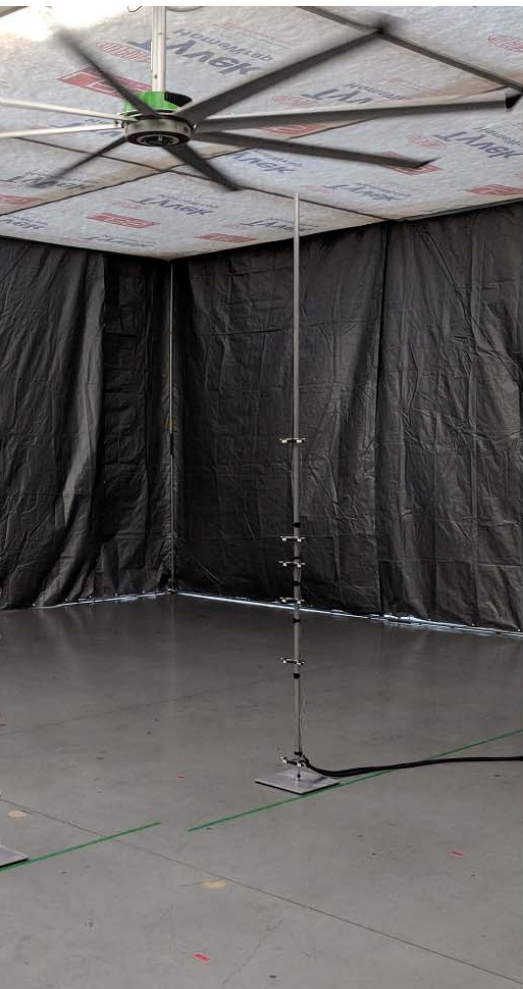


$$\text{Efficiency} = \frac{\text{Output}}{\text{Input}}$$

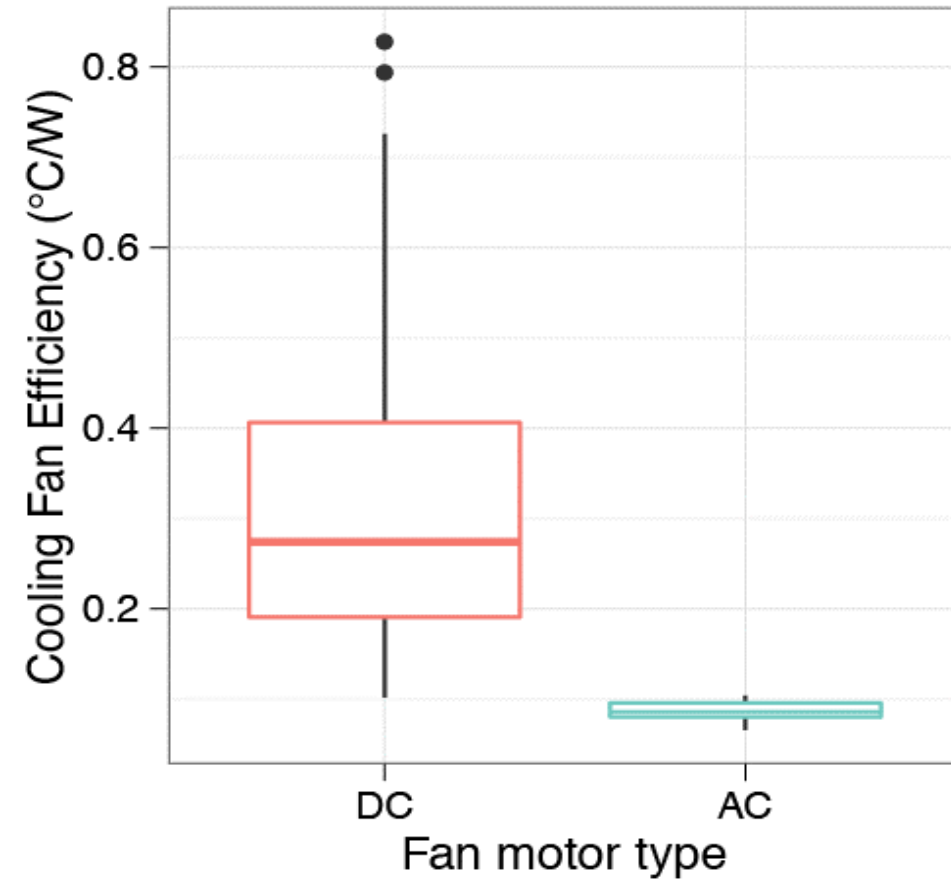
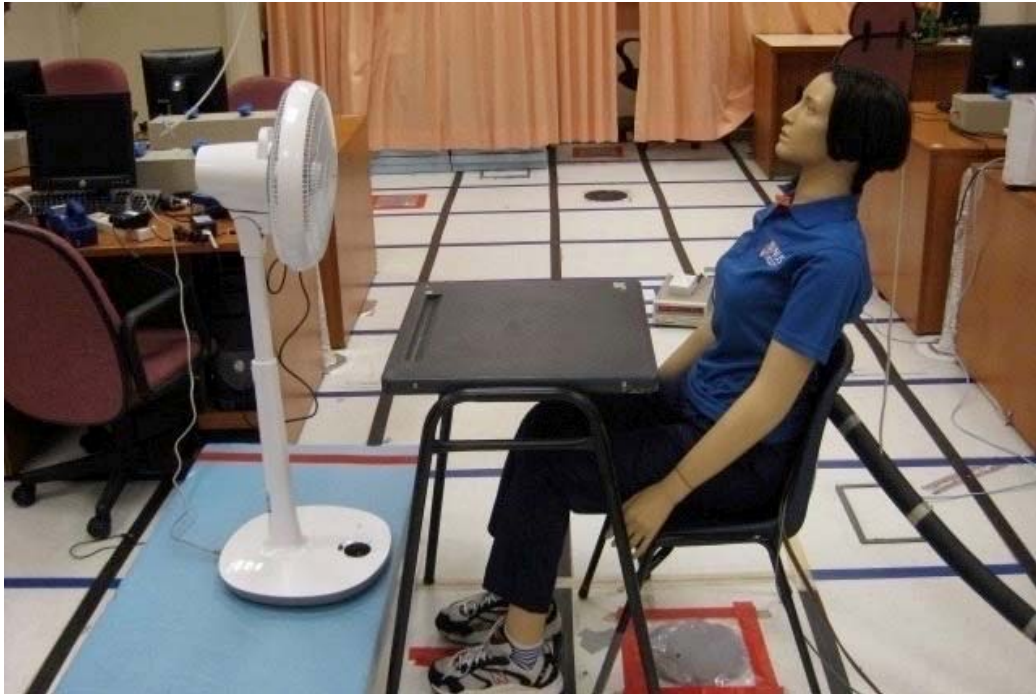
$$\text{Cooling Fan Efficiency} = \frac{\text{Cooling effect } [^{\circ}\text{C}]}{\text{Power } [W]}$$



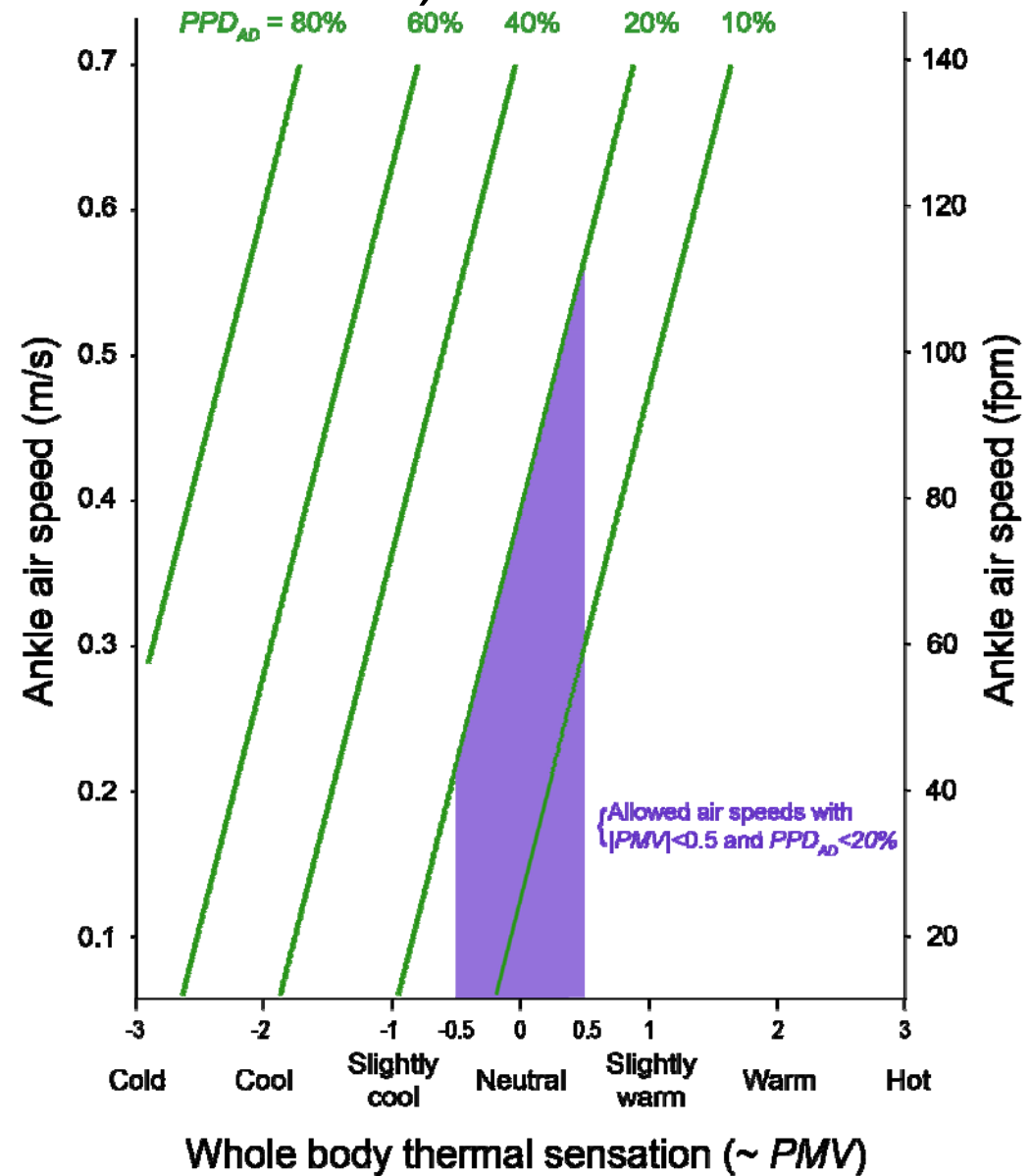
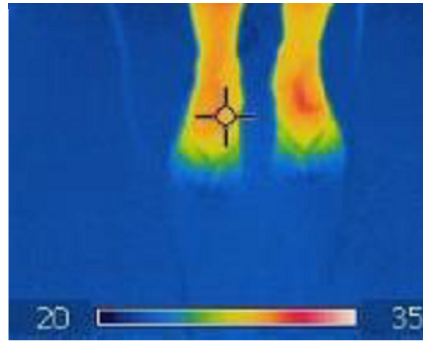
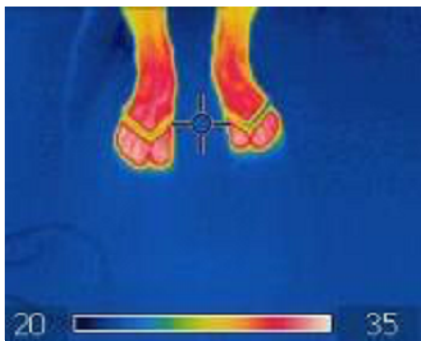




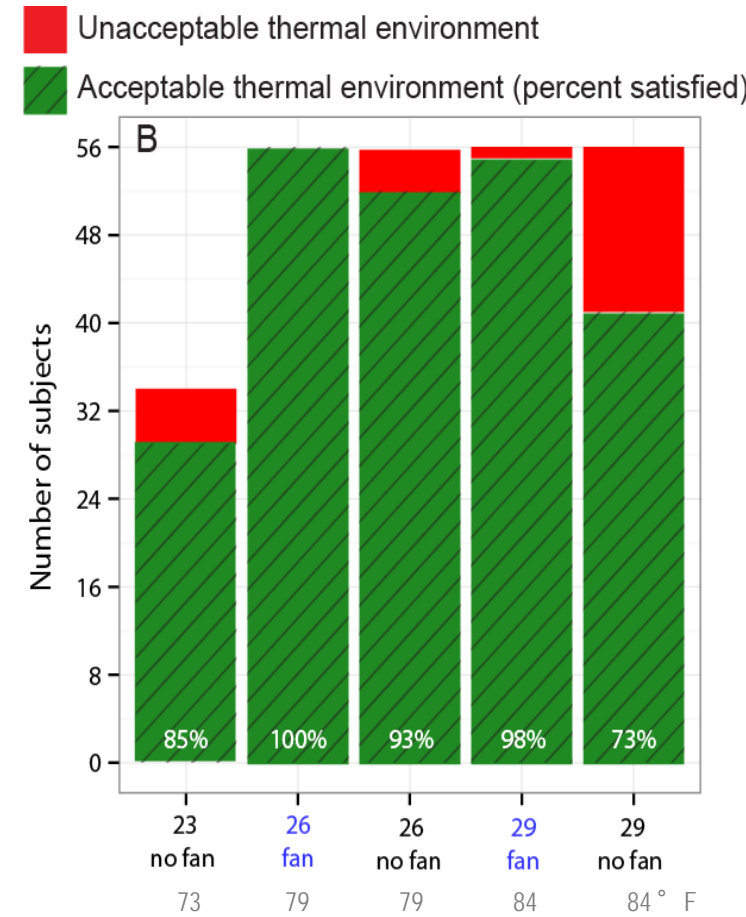
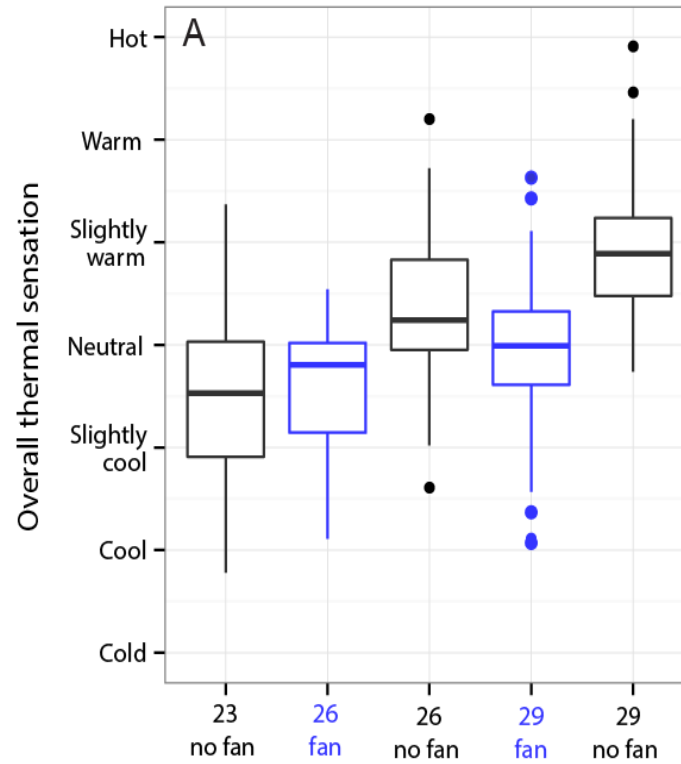
DC motors better than AC



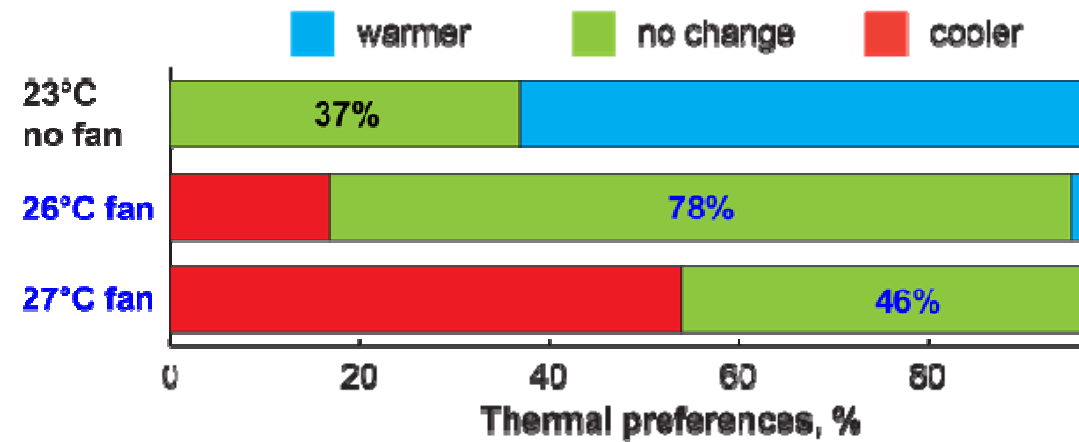
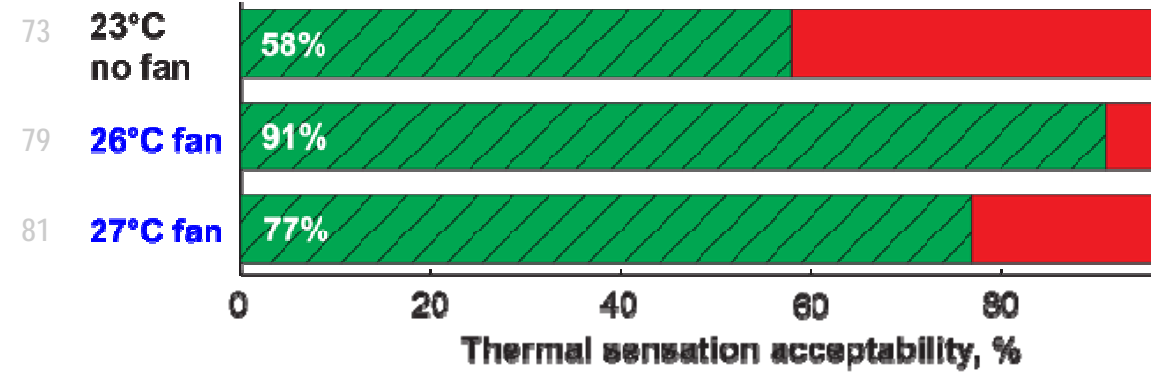
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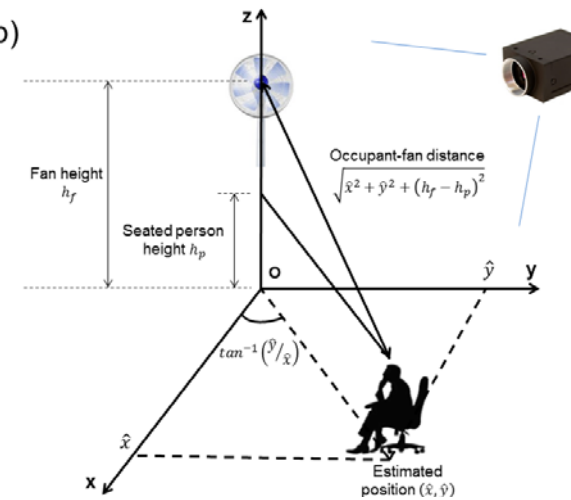
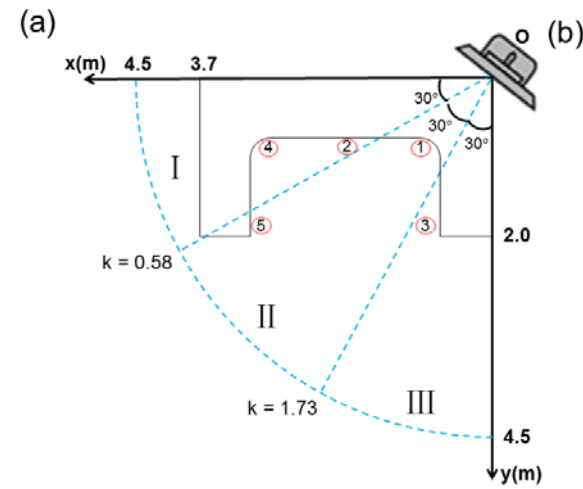
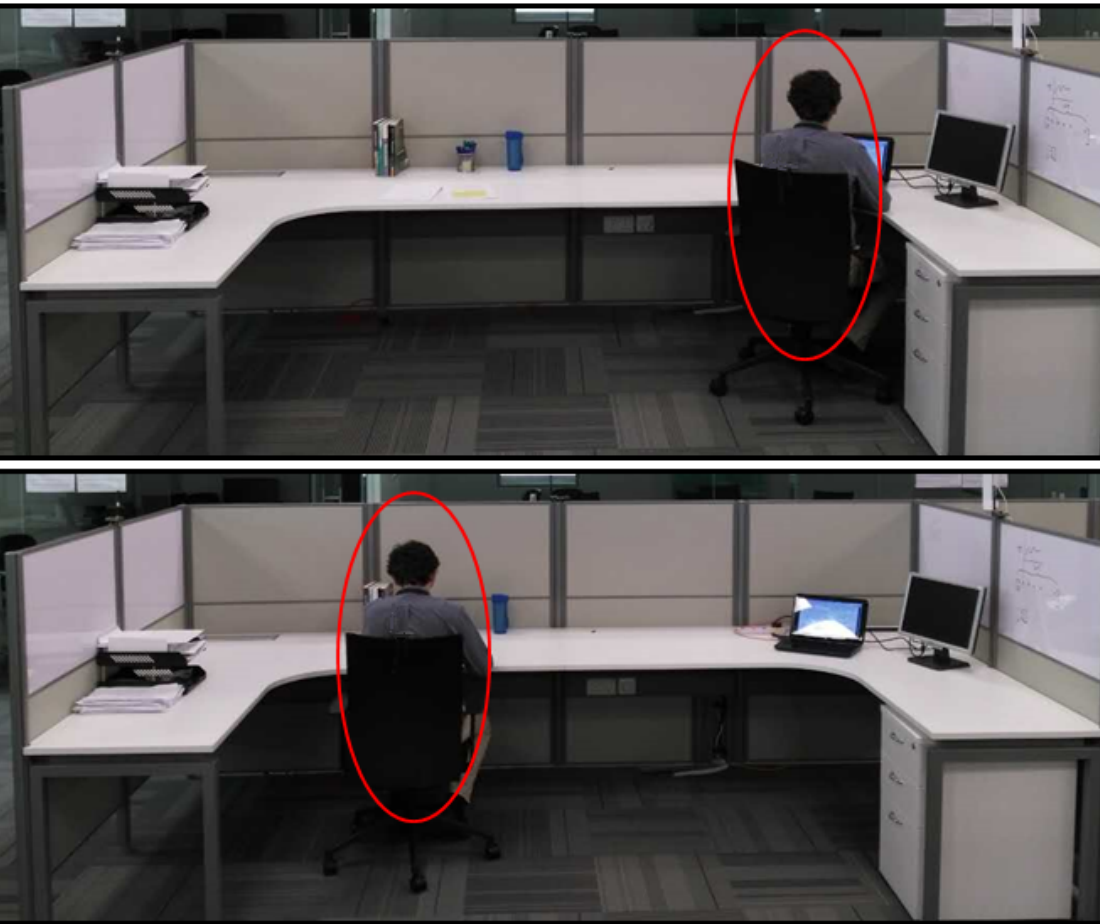
Personally controlled fan in Singapore



BOSCH field study

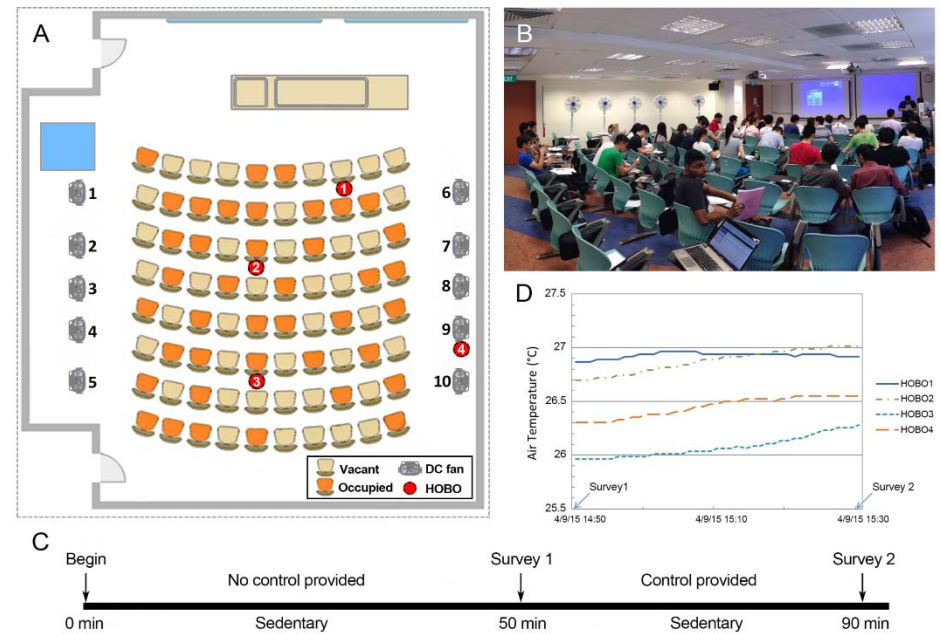
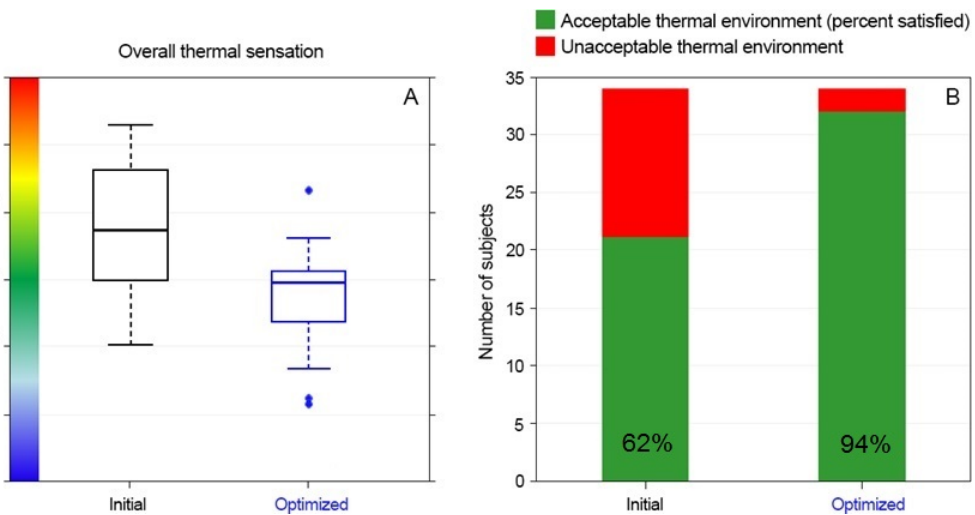
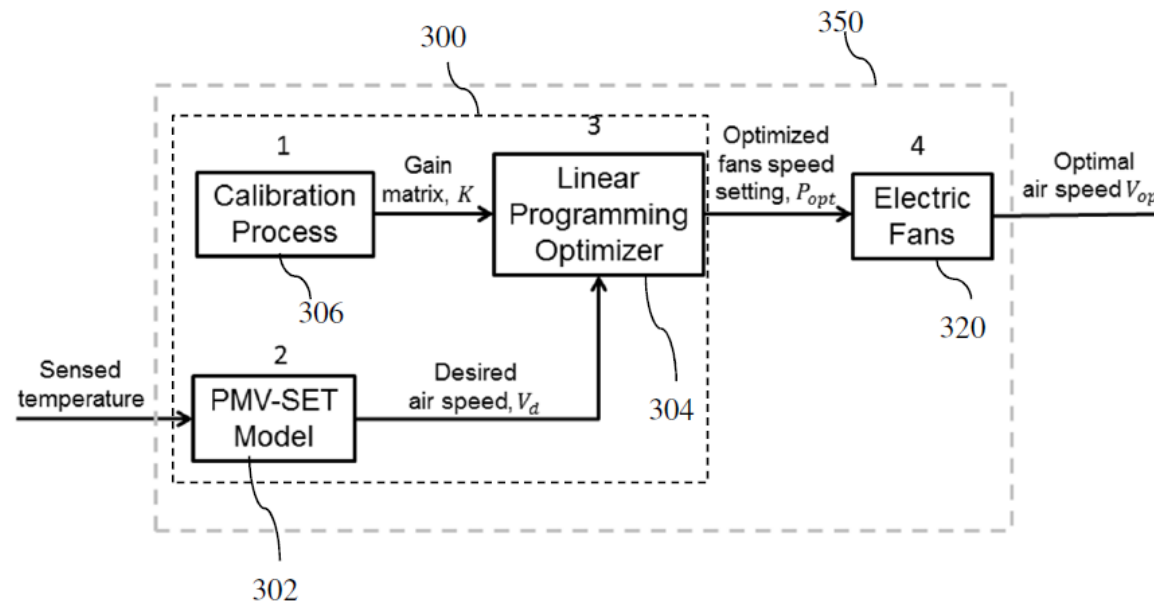


Tracking fan using geofence and camera-based indoor localization





Source: Aeratron



US provisional patent No. 62/307,223 Schiavon, Ho, Ling, Liu, Yin. Figure top right: DPR HQ, Phoenix AZ

Update standards: ASHRAE Standard 55



ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 55-2017
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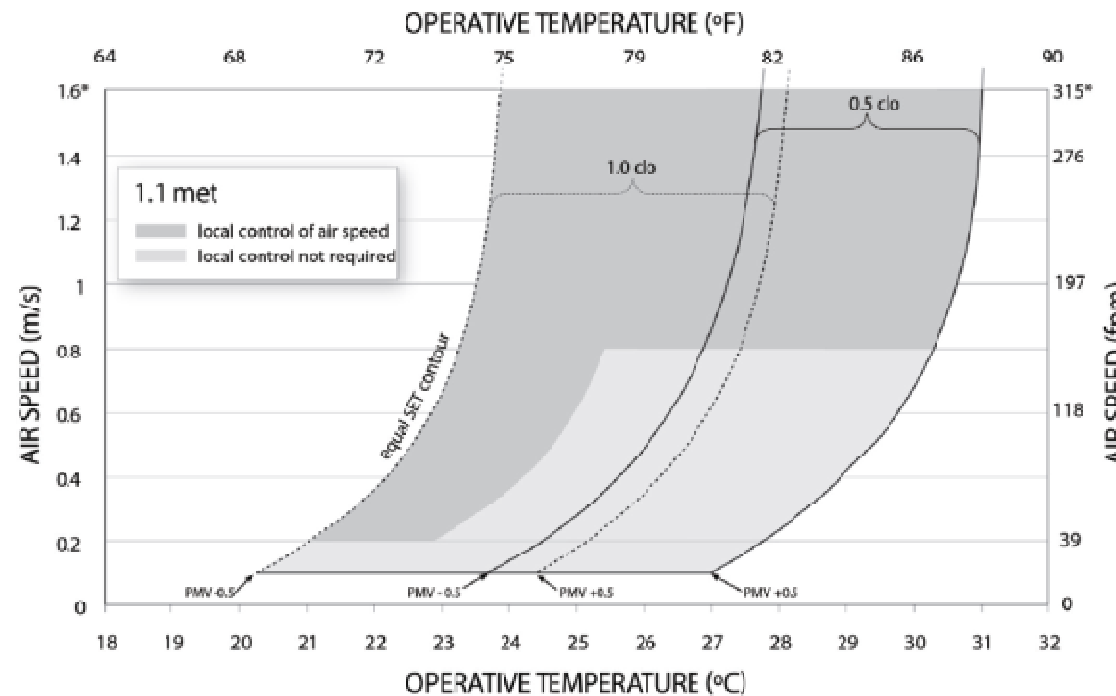
Thermal Environmental Conditions for Human Occupancy

See Appendix N for approval dates.

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* There is no upper limit to air speed when occupants have local control.

CBE Thermal Comfort Tool

ASHRAE-55 EN-15251 Compare Ranges Upload

Select method: PMV method

Air temperature: 25 °C Use operative temperature

Mean radiant temperature: 25 °C

Air speed: 0.1 m/s Local air speed control

Humidity: 50 % Relative humidity

Metabolic rate: 1.1 met Typing: 1.1

Clothing level: 0.5 clo Typical summer indoor

Create custom ensemble

Dynamic predictive clothing

LEED documentation

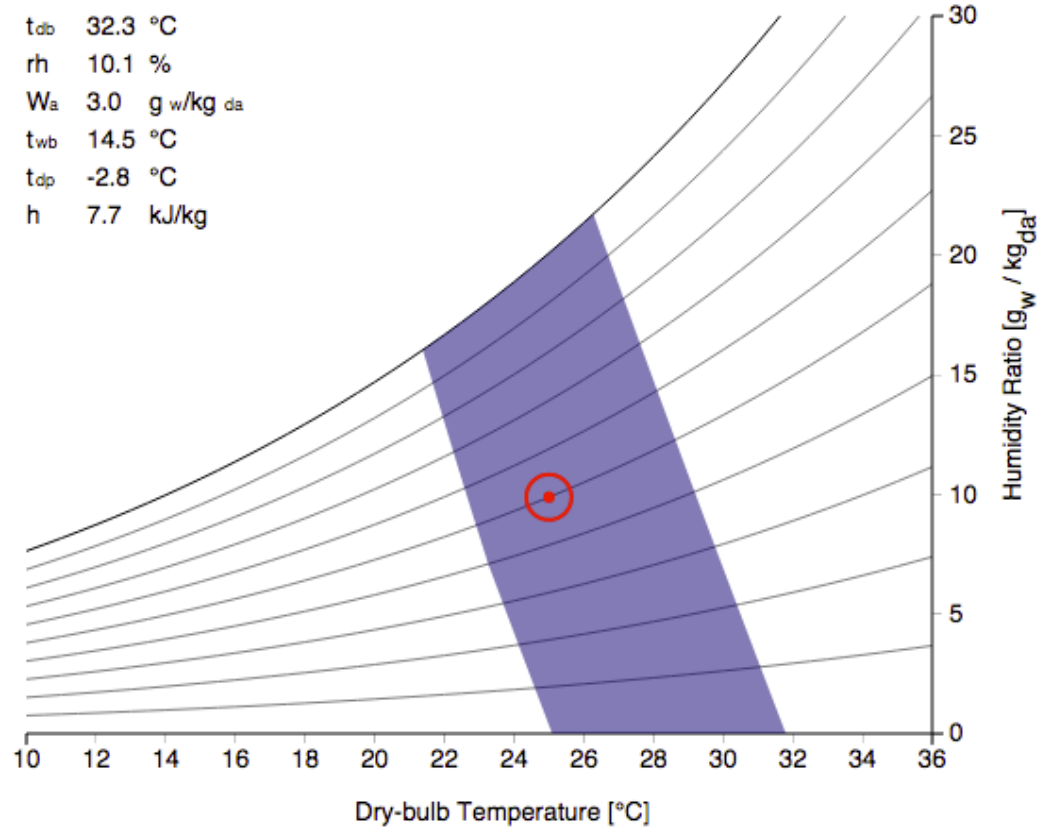
Globe temp	SolarCal	Specify pressure	SI IP	Local discomfort	? Help
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✓ Complies with ASHRAE Standard 55-2013

PMV -0.13
PPD 5%
Sensation Neutral
SET 24.5°C

Psychrometric chart (air temperature)

t_{db} 32.3 °C
 rh 10.1 %
 W_a 3.0 g_w/kg_{da}
 t_{wb} 14.5 °C
 t_{dp} -2.8 °C
 h 7.7 kJ/kg



New standards: ASHRAE Standard 216

ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 216P
Methods of Test for Determining Application
Data of Overhead Circulator Fans

SPC 216

Working Draft 01

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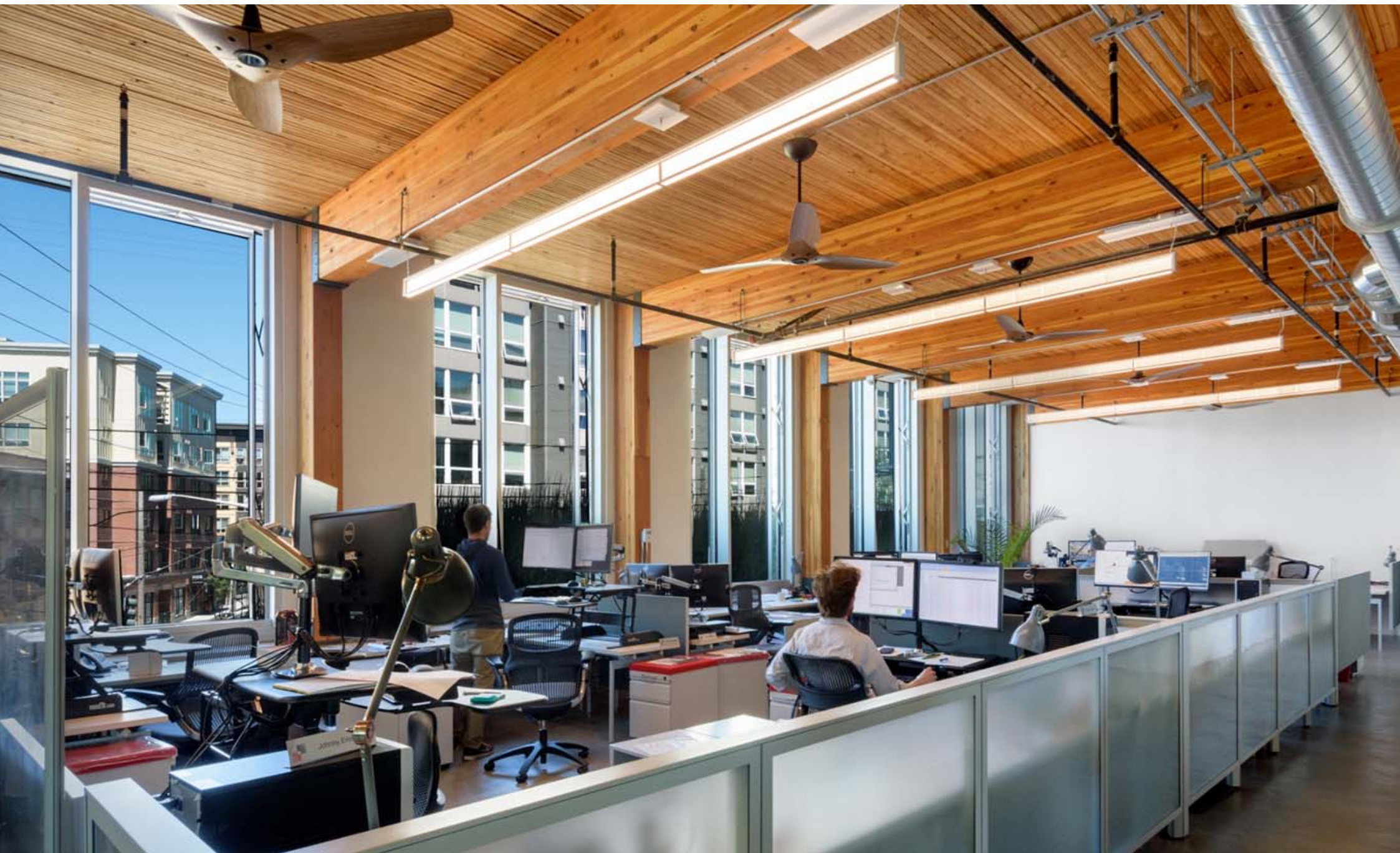
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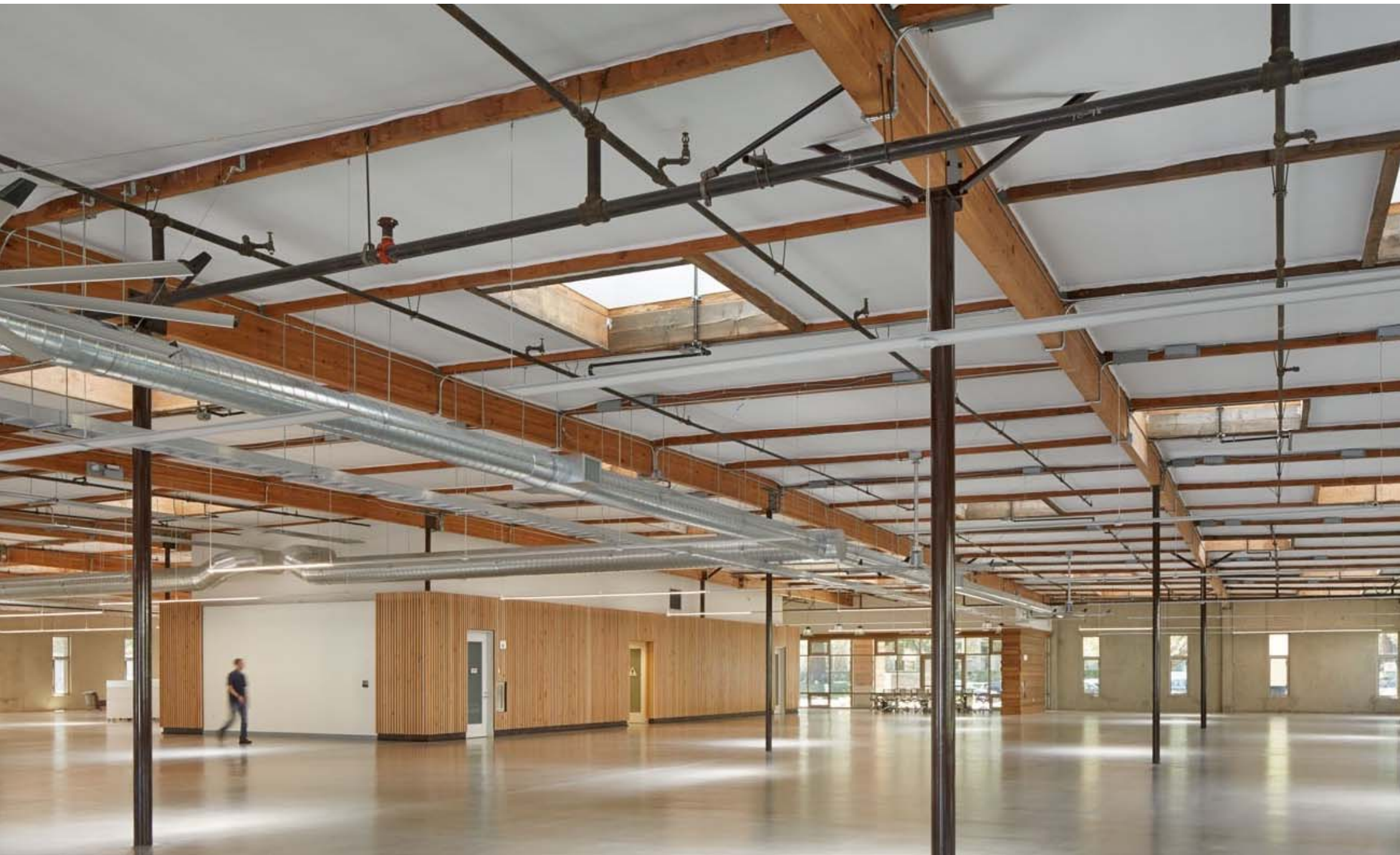
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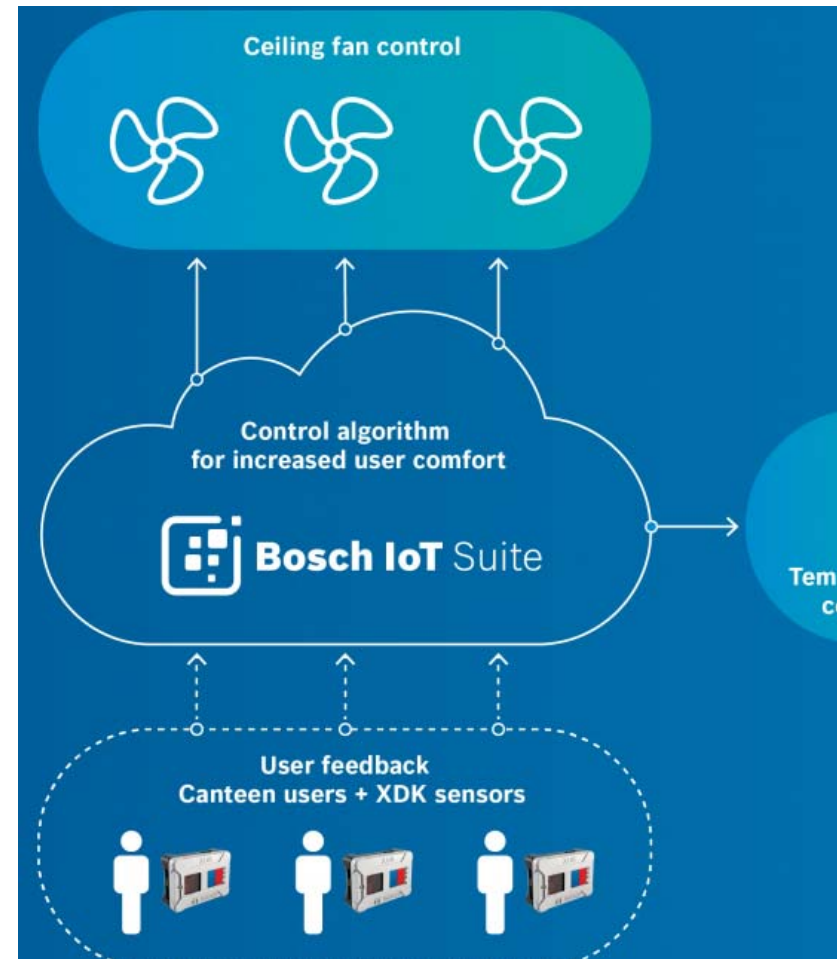
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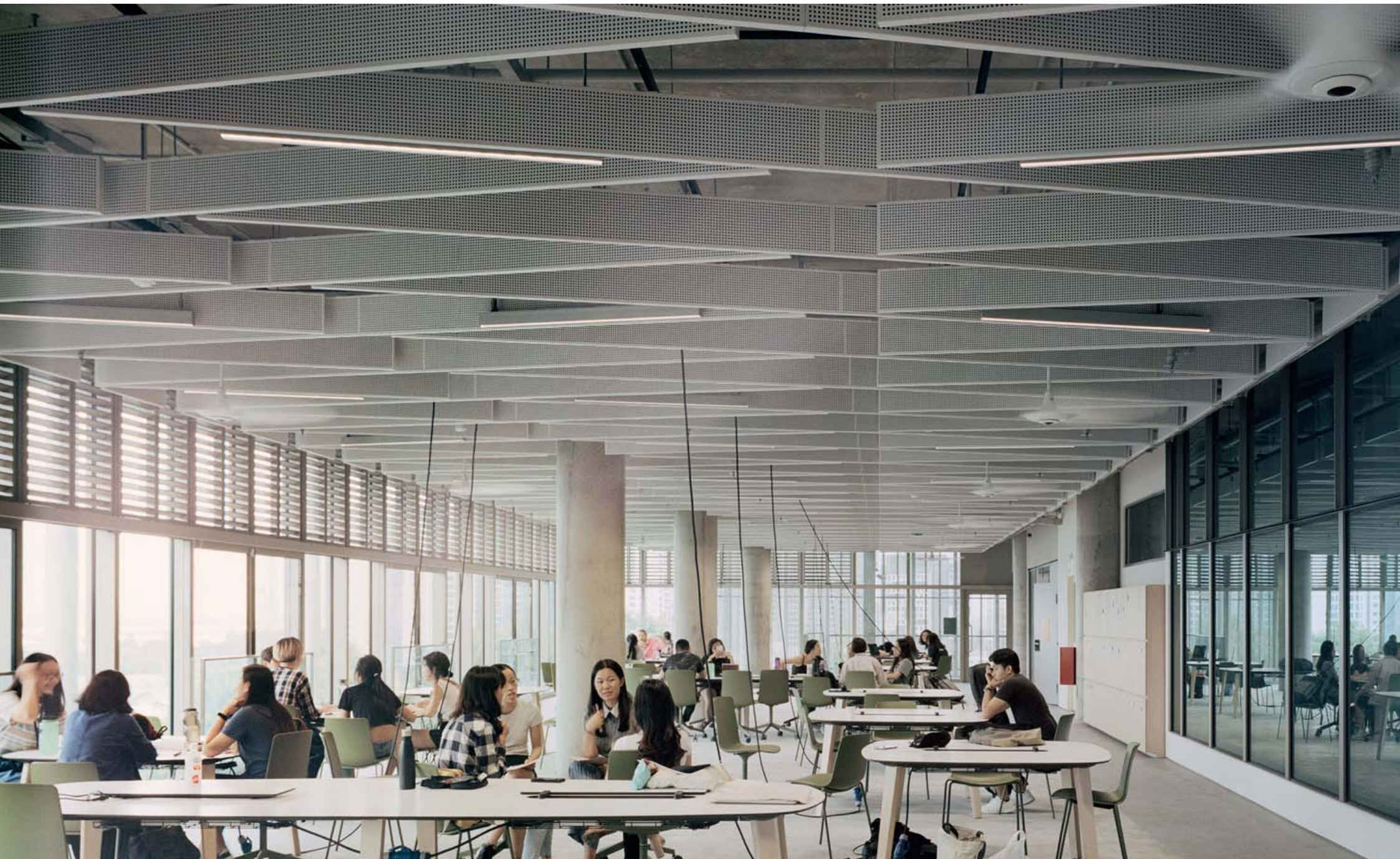


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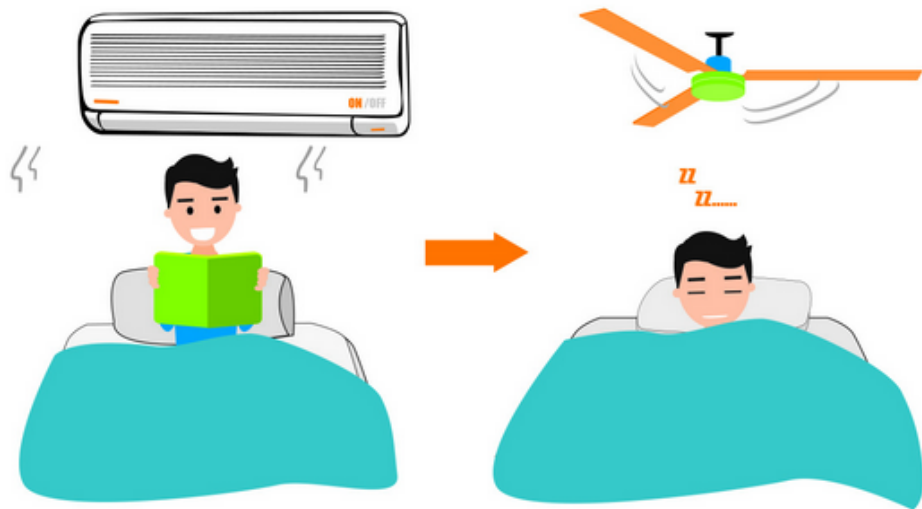




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Save money and increase comfort at home in Singapore

It's not cool to let the air-con run for a long time.
Switch to a fan after a short while and **save** about **\$340** a year.



Beat the heat with a fan instead of an air-con.
Save around **\$400** a year!





Muji Circulator Fan

The image shows two white MUJI desk fans side-by-side. The fan on the left is a 'Swing Type', featuring a circular grille with a central hub and radial slats. It is mounted on a white plastic base with a circular control knob on the front. The fan on the right is a 'Non-Swing Type', with a similar circular grille and base, but it has a USB-A port on the front of the base. A white USB cable is connected to the base of the non-swing fan. The background is a plain, light-colored surface.

Swing Type

Non-Swing Type

MUJI desk fan



Miniso fans



Dyson fans

Future research needs

- Should we use ceiling or desk fans?
- How to coordinate and control fans?
- How can we mitigate the lack of homogeneity generated by ceiling fans?
- Can we have air movement without visible rotating blades?
- How much can we reduce ductwork and number of diffusers?

We do not have

- Simplified model to predict air distribution without the need of CFD
- Lab to test and certify fans performance
- Design guidelines



Photo: G. Paliaga

A Academy ZEB+ building renovation





Thank you
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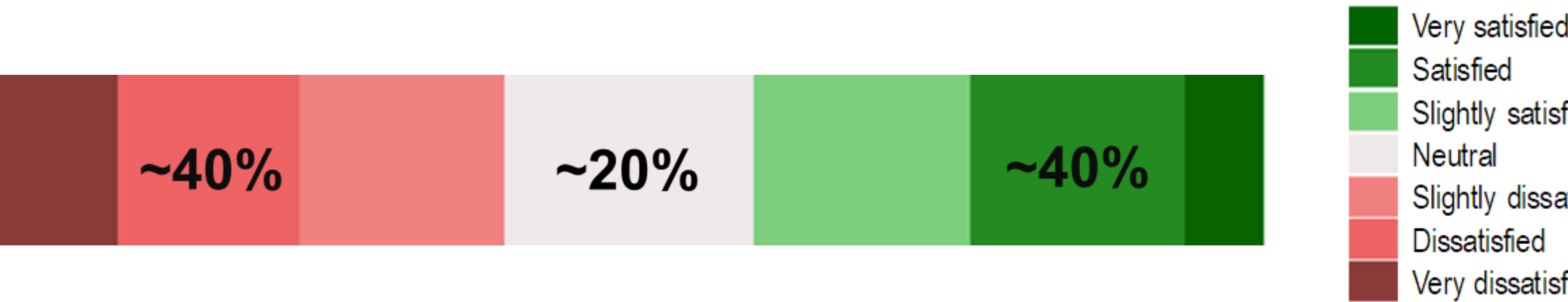
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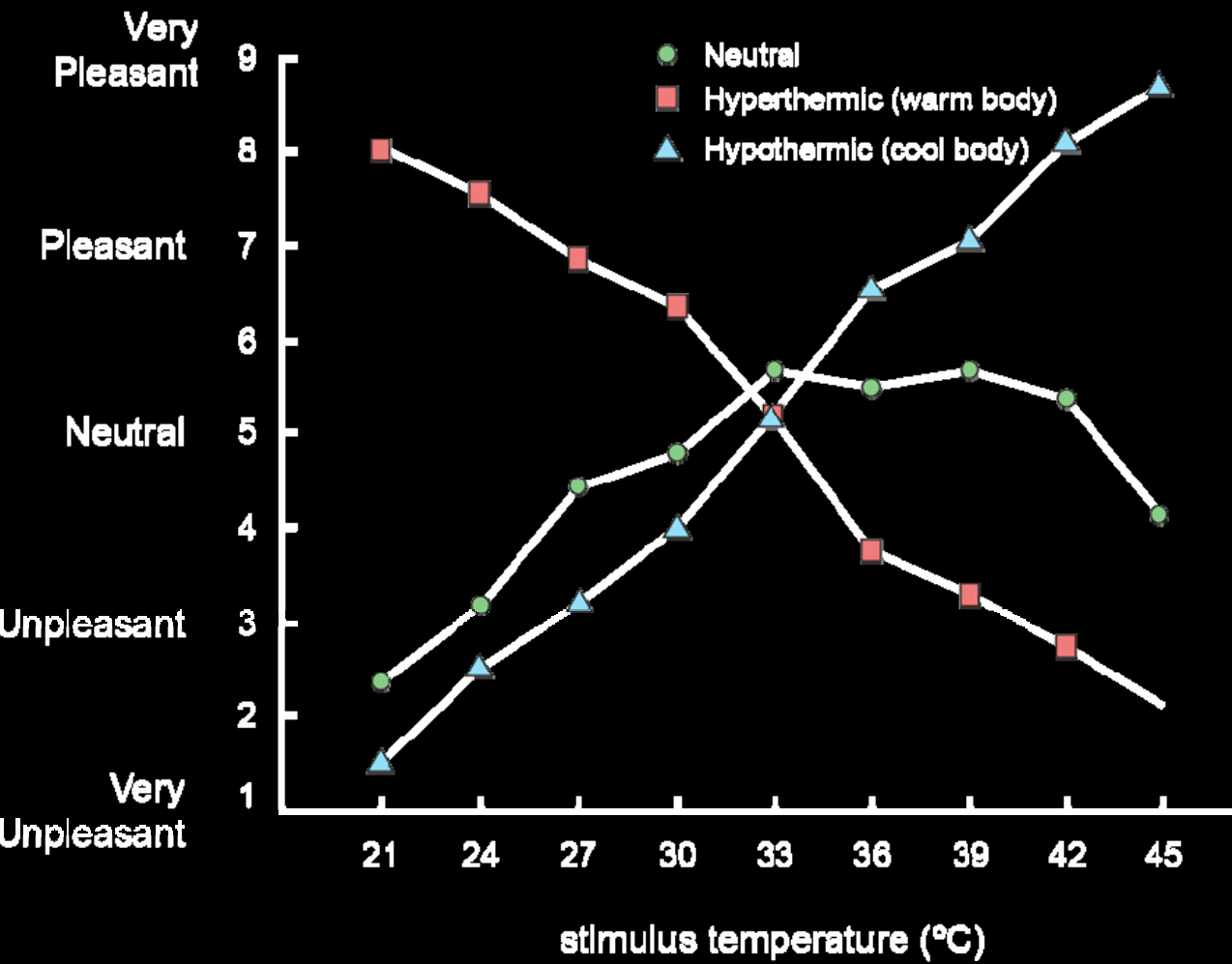
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Building Efficiency and Sustainability in the Tropics

How satisfied are you with the temperature of your workspace?



Thermal pleasure



Source: Thomas Parkinson - Modified after Mower, 1976




George Washington's Fan Chair, Mt Vernon, VA, circa 1790,

CBE Indoor Environmental Quality survey

How satisfied are you with your ability to adjust your furniture to meet your needs?

Very Satisfied   Very Dissatisfied 

 Overall building

 Lighting


 Overall workplace


 Office furnishings

 Acoustic quality

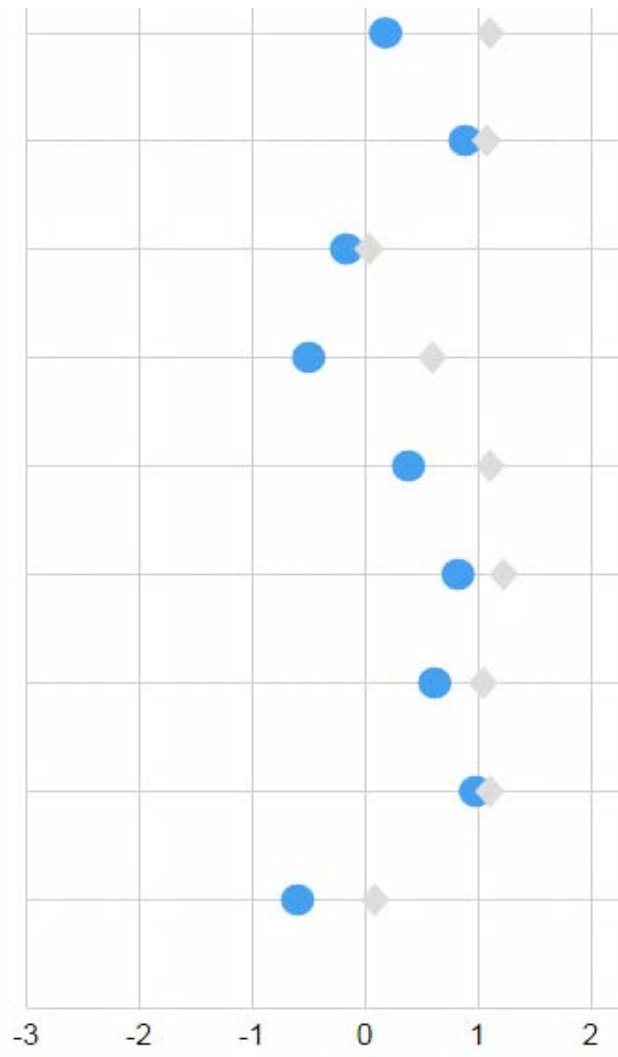
 Office layout

 Air quality

 Thermal Comfort

 Cleanliness & maintenance

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-  0.89
-  -0.16
-  -0.49
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-  0.83
-  0.62
-  0.98
-  -0.59





CBE personal comfort systems - desk fan, foot warmer, heated and cooled chair

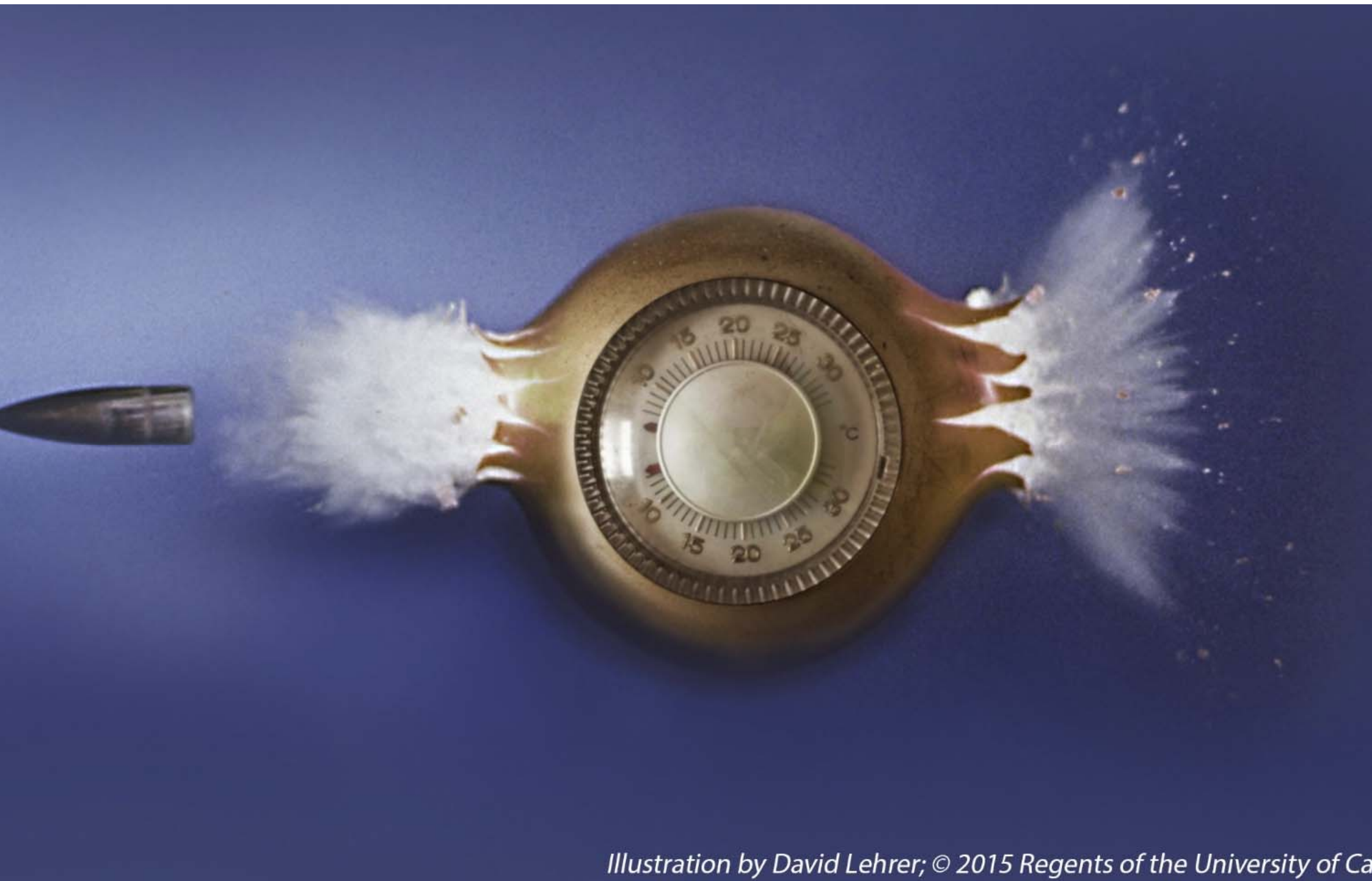


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