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Everyone thinks that if the **Federal Council** (administration), the **SIA** (Swiss Association of Engineers and Architects) and the **SWKI** (Planners, Network for Energy, Environment and Building Technology) publish such a paper, it would have its content Accuracy.

Furthermore, the first place to read is:

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Anyone who still has doubts about the correctness of the content of this paper must be totally stupid, everyone thinks so! **Or not?**

Because the Federal Council doesn't understand anything about thermodynamics, it gives the task to the Federal Office of Energy, which also doesn't know anything about thermodynamics and therefore gives the task to the Lucerne University of Applied Sciences, which also doesn't know anything about thermodynamics and therefore gives the task to the SIA and the SWKI who also do not understand anything about thermodynamics and therefore gave the order to 2 authors who also do not understand anything about thermodynamics and therefore use a horde of so-called engineers, 28 in number, who also do not understand anything about thermodynamics.

Only in this way can such outrageous bullshit, for example, about the freezing limit and flow patterns (laminar, turbulent) come about.

This is what it says on page 24: *In order to prevent the condensate from freezing in the air cooler, a warm water-glycol mixture is mixed from the return flow into the flow of the air cooler. To do this, the flow temperature at the air cooler must be measured and normally kept above -2°C.*

With this stupid measure, exactly when it is bitterly cold, a large part of the heat recovery energy is prevented. If the exhaust air is relatively dry with 40% humidity, nothing can freeze even at lower temperatures, which is exactly the case in deep winter! In the following example, the freezing point is only -3.33°C and not already -2.00°C.

| CC-System in winter | | | |
|-----------------------|-------|---------|------------|
| | SA-He | RA-Co | Definition |
| Height over sea level | m | | 500.000 |
| Pressure | hPa | | 954.276 |
| Efficiency | % | 72.700 | 58.906 |
| Capacity sensible | kW | 177.247 | 144.482 |
| Capacity latent | kW | --- | 31.813 |
| Capacity frost | kW | --- | 0.952 |
| Capacity total | kW | 177.247 | 177.247 |
| Surface reserve | % | 0.121 | 0.088 |
| Present surface | m2 | 963.224 | 963.224 |

| SA-He (ff = 0.00005 m2K/W) | | | |
|------------------------------|-------|-----------|------------|
| | Inlet | Outlet | Definition |
| Temp. | °C | -11.000 | 11.837 |
| Rel. humidity | % | 90.000 | 15.616 |
| Abs. humidity | g/kg | 1.387 | 1.387 |
| Volume flow humid | m3/h | 22187.121 | 24094.473 |
| Velocity | m/s | 1.802 | 1.957 |
| Pressure drop | Pa | | 101.130 |

| RA-Co (ff = 0.00005 m2K/W) | | | |
|------------------------------|-------|-----------|------------|
| | Inlet | Outlet | Definition |
| Temp. | °C | 20.000 | 1.739 |
| Rel. humidity | % | 40.000 | 99.513 |
| Abs. humidity | g/kg | 6.145 | 4.537 |
| Volume flow humid | m3/h | 25000.000 | 23382.751 |
| Velocity | m/s | 2.031 | 1.899 |
| Pressure drop wet | Pa | | 116.753 |

| 25 V% Et.glycol (ff = 0.00005 / 0.00005 m2K/W) | | | |
|--|-------|----------|------------|
| | SA-He | RA-Co | Definition |
| Temp. in | °C | 14.390 | -3.700 |
| Temp. out | °C | -3.700 | 14.390 |
| Volume flow | m3/h | 9.163 | 9.166 |
| Velocity | m/s | 1.184 | 1.184 |
| Reynolds | --- | 4933.945 | 4810.348 |
| Pressure drop | kPa | 193.979 | 195.214 |

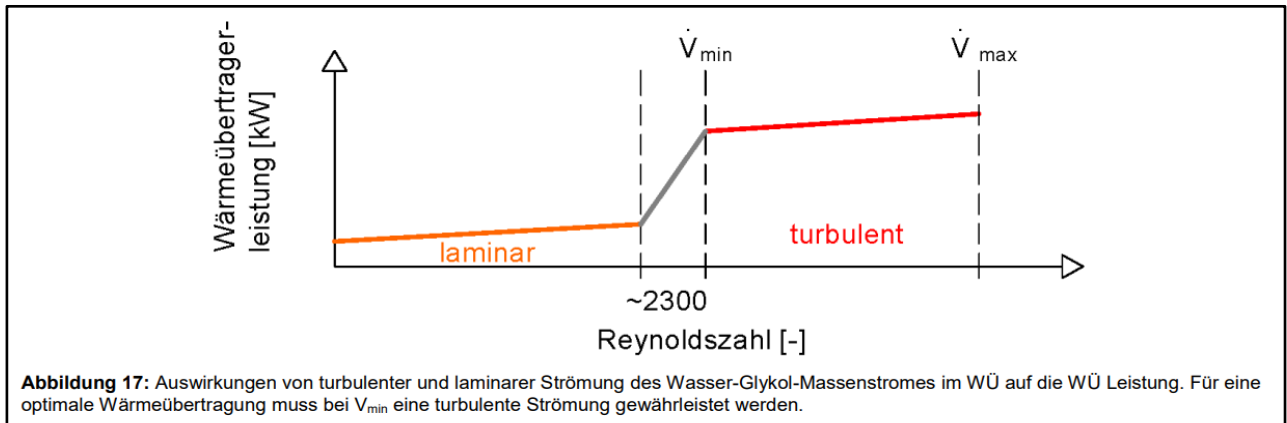


| Service | Default | Case 1 | Case 2 | Case 3 | Case 4 | Case 5 | Case 6 |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Air flow | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| SA: Temp. | in °C | -11.00 | -10.80 | -10.70 | -10.60 | -10.50 | -10.40 |
| SA: Rel. humidity | in % | 90.00 | 90.00 | 90.00 | 90.00 | 90.00 | 90.00 |
| SA: Abs. humidity | in g/kg | 1.39 | 1.41 | 1.43 | 1.44 | 1.45 | 1.46 |
| SA: Temp. | out °C | 11.54 | 11.58 | 11.60 | 11.63 | 11.64 | 11.65 |
| SA: Rel. humidity | out % | 15.62 | 15.85 | 15.97 | 16.09 | 16.22 | 16.38 |
| SA: Abs. humidity | out g/kg | 1.39 | 1.41 | 1.43 | 1.44 | 1.45 | 1.46 |
| SA: Volume flow | m3/h | 25000.00 | 25000.00 | 25000.00 | 25000.00 | 25000.00 | 25000.00 |
| SA: Pressure drop | Pa | 101.13 | 101.19 | 101.21 | 101.24 | 101.27 | 101.29 |
| SA: Capacity | kW | 177.25 | 176.04 | 175.41 | 174.85 | 174.18 | 173.33 |
| SA: Efficiency | % | 72.70 | 72.67 | 72.65 | 72.65 | 72.61 | 72.49 |
| Agent: Temp. | in °C | 14.39 | 14.41 | 14.42 | 14.43 | 14.44 | 14.41 |
| Agent: Temp. | out °C | -3.70 | -3.55 | -3.48 | -3.42 | -3.33 | -3.28 |
| Agent: Volume flow | m3/h | 9.16 | 9.16 | 9.16 | 9.16 | 9.16 | 9.16 |
| Agent: Pressure drop | kPa | 389.19 | 388.33 | 388.20 | 388.10 | 386.74 | 387.88 |
| RA: Temp. | in °C | 20.00 | 20.00 | 20.00 | 20.00 | 20.00 | 20.00 |
| RA: Rel. humidity | in % | 40.00 | 40.00 | 40.00 | 40.00 | 40.00 | 40.00 |
| RA: Abs. humidity | in g/kg | 6.15 | 6.15 | 6.15 | 6.15 | 6.15 | 6.15 |
| RA: Temp. | out °C | 1.74 | 1.83 | 1.87 | 1.91 | 1.93 | 1.95 |
| RA: Rel. humidity | out % | 99.51 | 99.52 | 99.52 | 99.52 | 99.61 | 99.60 |
| RA: Abs. humidity | out g/kg | 4.54 | 4.57 | 4.58 | 4.59 | 4.60 | 4.61 |
| RA: Volume flow | m3/h | 25000.00 | 25000.00 | 25000.00 | 25000.00 | 25000.00 | 25000.00 |
| RA: Pressure drop dry | Pa | 109.19 | 109.12 | 109.09 | 109.06 | 109.03 | 109.02 |
| RA: Pressure drop wet | Pa | 116.75 | 116.58 | 116.50 | 116.42 | 116.35 | 116.32 |
| RA: Efficiency | % | 58.91 | 59.01 | 59.05 | 59.12 | 59.25 | 59.39 |
| RA: Frost-Capacity | kW | 0.95 | 0.94 | 0.94 | 0.93 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| RA: Frost-Capacity | % | 0.54 | 0.54 | 0.53 | 0.53 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

In addition, there is the fact that only in the last row of pipes less than 1% of the total output occurs as condensate below 0°C and theoretically frost could form. However, since the air speed is 2 m/s, the freezing limit should be even lower. Just look at a river in winter, where only ice forms, where there is, so to speak, no current worth mentioning, i.e. only on the bank in stagnant zones! If the exhaust air still has less than 40% relative humidity, the freezing point drops even further, for example at 20% to -5.26°C. See more on page 3. More than 200 companies are currently working with our software, some of which have passed the type examination at TUEV Süd Munich. The prerequisite for this is that the software and the measurements regarding performance and pressure loss are within 3%.

In spite of this, the so-called leading Swiss manufacturer of air conditioning units is said to list a freezing limit in its offers based on a temperature of -2.00°C of the water-glycol mixture and as the maximum output without a frost bypass. leading? Yes, but only in terms of absolute nonsense!

That's what it says on page 27 & 28: The effects of turbulent and laminar flow of the water-glycol mass flow in the heat exchangers on their performance is illustrated in Figure 17 in a very simplified way. Once laminar flow is achieved, performance drops drastically. For this reason, the manufacturers are forced to operate the heat recovery for every water-glycol mass flow in the turbulent range.



However, measurements at TUEV Süd Munich have shown that the performance is not drastically reduced in part-load operation, even if the purely theoretical Reynolds number falls below 2300. The power drops linearly to the partial load, so to speak. Why? A laminar flow only exists if there are no disruptive factors, which is not the case with heat exchangers, on the contrary. In the example, the water-glycol mixture in the pipes is deflected 36 times, namely at the back and front in the bends, which ensures a turbulent flow, even below a Reynolds number of 2300! For nominal air quantities, we recommend a pressure loss of 2 bar per heat exchanger, not for reasons of turbulence, but for reasons of high k values, which do not allow for overly large heat exchangers. This **Federal Council SIA SWKI bullshit paper** does not go into further brain-amputated nonsense! It would be better for these idiots to adopt directives and regulations from the EU area than to make themselves look ridiculous with such bullshit!

Reality according to www.zcs.ch contra Federal Council-SIA-SWKI-Bullshit

| Return air humidity | | --- Minus 20% | Minus10% | Default | Plus 10% |
|---|------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Return air humidity | % | 20.000 | 30.000 | 40.000 | 50.000 |
| Temperature efficiency | % | 68.350 | 70.350 | 72.700 | 75.300 |
| Heat recovery winter capacity | kW | 166.638 | 171.516 | 177.247 | 183.587 |
| Exhaust air frost capacity | kW | 0.000 | 1.266 | 0.952 | 0.000 |
| 25% Et.Glycol temperature | °C | -5.260 | -2.010 | -3.330 | -4.630 |
| Freezing limit at outside air temperature | °C | -12.500 | -8.400 | -10.500 | -12.600 |
| Heat recovery freezing limit capacity | kW | 174.390 | 155.940 | 174.180 | 193.570 |
| Return air volume flow (20°C/40%) | m3/h | 25000.000 | 25000.000 | 25000.000 | 25000.000 |
| Return air temperature | °C | 20.000 | 20.000 | 20.000 | 20.000 |
| Return air humidity | % | 20.000 | 30.000 | 40.000 | 50.000 |
| Exhaust air temperature | °C | -1.119 | 0.091 | 1.739 | 3.312 |
| Exhaust air humidity | % | 83.796 | 97.507 | 99.513 | 100.000 |
| Pressure drop | Pa | 105.347 | 109.665 | 116.753 | 125.855 |
| 25% Et.Glycol volume flow | m3/h | 9.165 | 9.165 | 9.165 | 9.165 |
| Inlet temperature | °C | 12.906 | 13.590 | 14.390 | 15.275 |
| Outlet temperature | °C | -4.106 | -3.920 | -3.700 | -3.455 |
| Pressure drop of both heat exchangers | bar | 3.923 | 3.909 | 3.892 | 3.873 |
| Outside air volume flow (20°C/40%) | m3/h | 25000.000 | 25000.000 | 25000.000 | 25000.000 |
| Outside air temperature | °C | -11.000 | -11.000 | -11.000 | -11.000 |
| Outside air humidity | % | 90.000 | 90.000 | 90.000 | 90.000 |
| Supply air temperature | °C | 10.189 | 10.809 | 11.537 | 12.343 |
| Supply air humidity | % | 17.077 | 16.387 | 15.616 | 14.810 |
| Pressure drop | Pa | 100.852 | 100.979 | 101.130 | 101.296 |

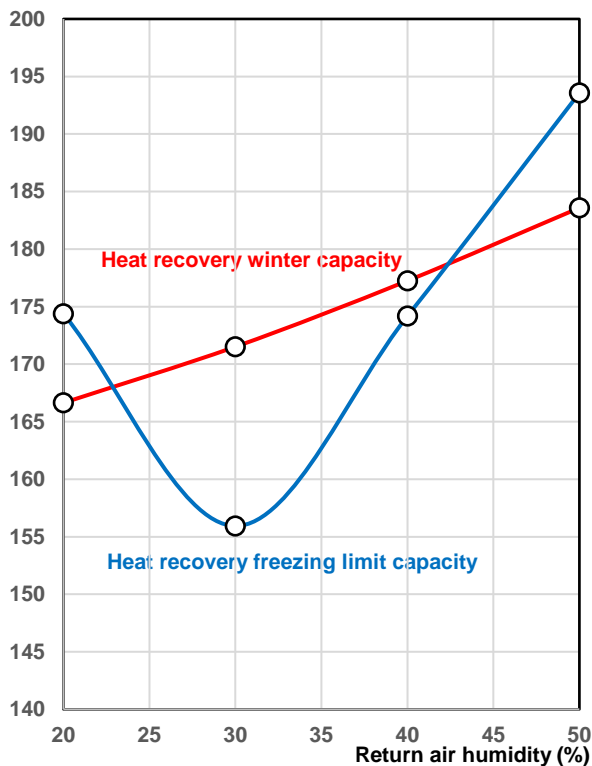


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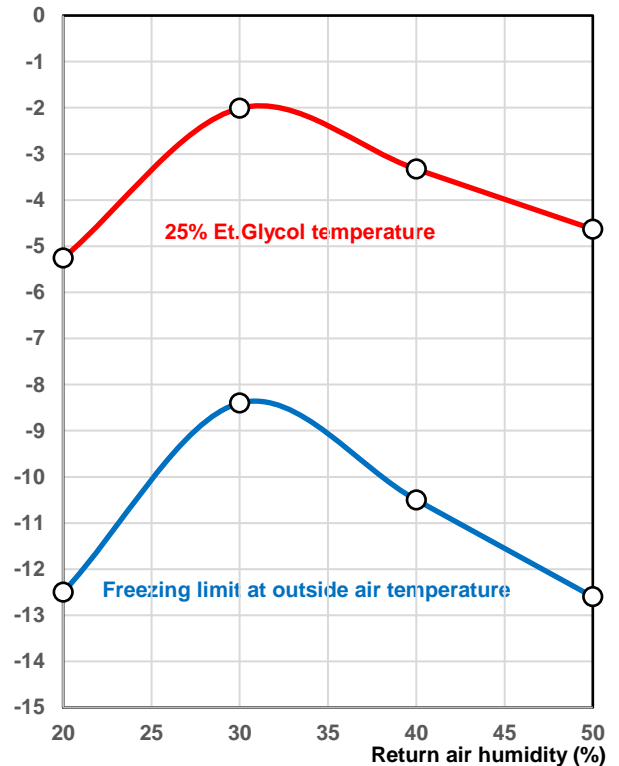
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Capacity (kW)



Outside air temperature (°C)



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The freezing point is fixed at a glycol temperature of -2°C.
 In the example, this results in a freezing limit outside air temperature of -8.4°C.
 In the example, this results in a heat recovery freezing limit output of 155.94 kW.



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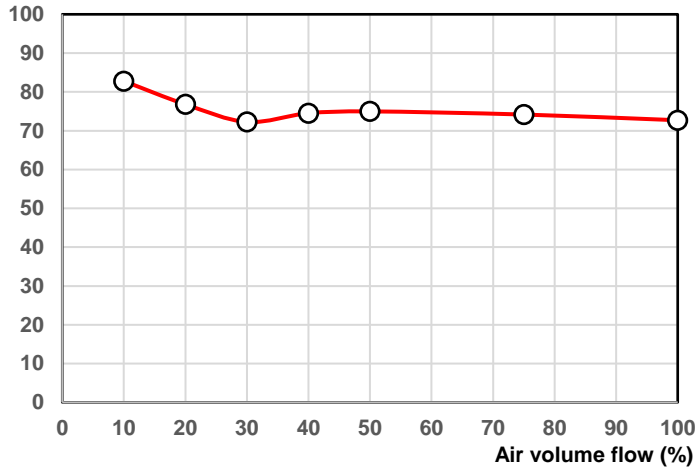
The freezing limit is variable at glycol temperatures, which depend on the exhaust air humidity.
 In the example, this results in a freezing limit outside air temperature between -12.6°C and -8.4°C.
 In the example, this results in a HR freezing limit output of between 155.94 kW and 193.57 kW.



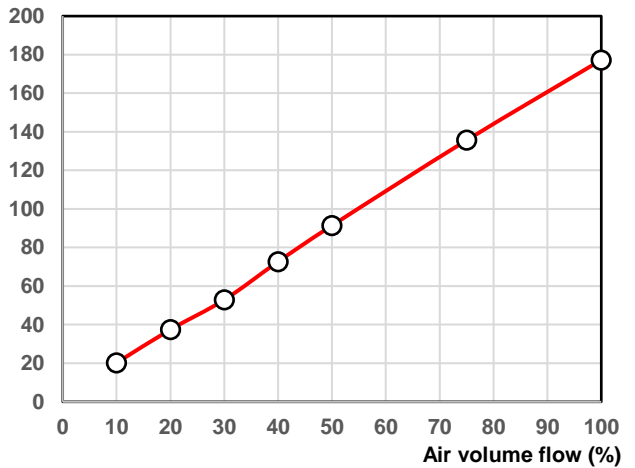
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| Air volume flow | % | 10.000 | 20.000 | 30.000 | 40.000 | 50.000 | 75.000 | 100.000 |
|------------------------------------|------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Air volume flow | m3/h | 2500.000 | 5000.000 | 7500.000 | 10000.000 | 12500.000 | 18750.000 | 25000.000 |
| Temperature efficiency | % | 82.785 | 76.800 | 72.270 | 74.520 | 74.980 | 74.170 | 72.700 |
| Heat recovery winter capacity | kW | 20.184 | 37.449 | 52.859 | 72.674 | 91.403 | 135.624 | 177.247 |
| Exhaust air frost capacity | kW | 0.177 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.746 | 0.952 |
| 25% Et.Glycol temperature inlet | °C | 16.008 | 14.945 | 14.200 | 14.558 | 16.664 | 14.602 | 14.390 |
| 25% Et.Glycol temperature outlet | °C | -4.588 | -4.165 | -3.782 | -3.985 | -3.990 | -3.855 | -3.700 |
| 25% Et.Glycol volume flow | m3/h | 0.916 | 1.833 | 2.749 | 3.665 | 4.582 | 6.872 | 9.163 |
| 25% Et.Glycol Reynolds supply air | --- | 493.863 | 984.453 | 1473.648 | 1966.230 | 2461.567 | 3699.305 | 4933.945 |
| 25% Et.Glycol Reynolds exhaust air | --- | 486.225 | 959.570 | 1431.879 | 1914.529 | 2398.422 | 3607.425 | 4810.348 |

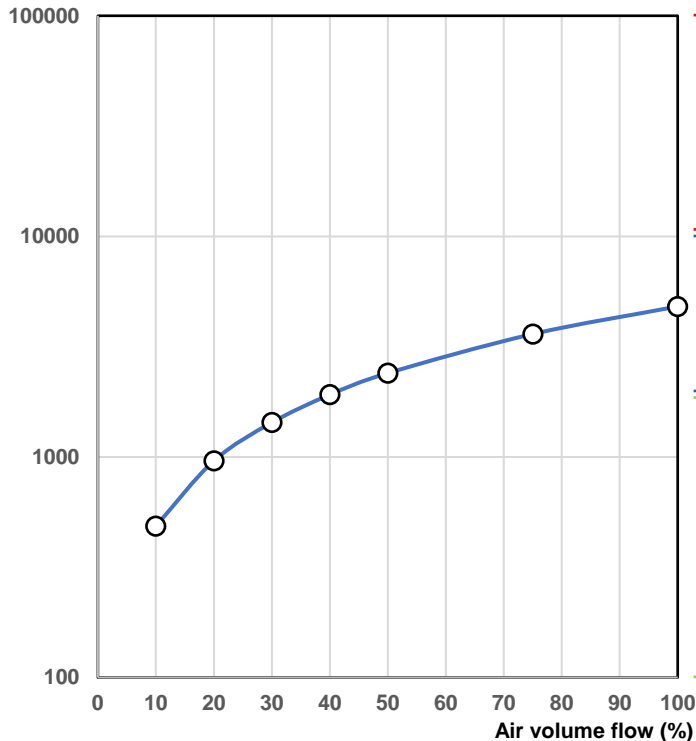
Temperature efficiency (%)



Heat recovery winter capacity (kW)



Reinold's number of 25% et. glycol in the exhaust air (---)



VDI-Wärmeatlas, 12th edition, 2018, G1: Flowed through pipes

Turbulent flow is definitely present
 $Re > 10,000$ ago.

In the transition area between $2300 < Re < 10,000$, the type of inflow and the shape of the pipe inlet influence the flow shape.

Below the Reynolds number $Re = 2300$, the pipe flow is always laminar.

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Water-glycol mixture: laminar $Re < 2,300$, turbulent $Re > 10,000$.

As soon as laminar flow is achieved, performance decreases drastically!

For this reason, heat recovery is forced to operate in turbulent areas.



Reality according to www.zcs.ch

By definition according to the VDI heat atlas, we never have turbulence with $Re > 10,000$.

By definition according to the VDI heat atlas, we always work in the laminar and transition areas.

Nevertheless, we always have turbulence, because the flow is disturbed by deflections!



Free reference to further Federal Council-SIA-SWKI-Bullshit

On page 22 it says: The optimum water-glycol mass flow must be regulated using the air mass flow. The mass flow in the intermediate circuit depends on the mass flow of the air. If the water-glycol mass flow is too high or too low, or if the heat capacity flows of air and glycol are not identical, then the degree of temperature change is reduced. **In order to obtain the optimal efficiency, the following equation must be adhered to.**

$$\dot{m}_i \cdot WG \cdot cp_{WG} = \dot{m}_i \cdot L \cdot cp_L$$

$\dot{m}_i \cdot WG$ Mass flow water-glycol [kg/s]
 cp_{WG} Heat capacity water-glycol [J/kgK]

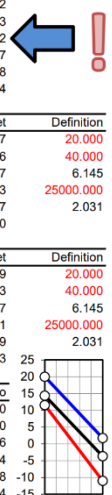
$\dot{m}_i \cdot L$ Mass flow air [kg/s]
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Since the calculation of the heat recovery performance for the supply air, the exhaust air and the water-glycol mixture is exactly the same, the heat capacity flows can be easily derived from this.

$$\dot{Q} = \dot{m}cp\Delta t \rightarrow \dot{m}cp = \dot{Q}/\Delta t$$

In the example at the top right, the heat capacity flows are as follows:

Hot air: 177.247/(20.000-1.739)=**9.706** kW/K

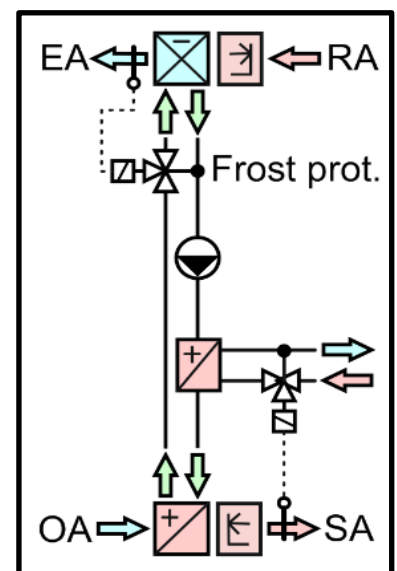
Water-Glycol-Mixture: 177.247/(14.390+3.700)=**9.798** kW/K

Cold air: 177.247/(11.537+11.000)=**7.865** kW/K

Although the quantities of warm air and cold air based on 20°C/40% are exactly the same, the heat capacity flows result in different values with a **deviation of 23.41%**, which is due to the warm air humidity.

In order to keep the freezing limit regarding the outlet temperature of the water-glycol mixture as low as possible (according to page 2 at -3.33°C), the inlet temperature is slightly lowered and the outlet temperature is slightly raised, which can also be seen as a rotation in the temperature diagram at the top right Counterclockwise. The heat capacity flow of the water-glycol mixture therefore has a value that differs from that of the air.

Since this **Federal Council-SIA-SWKI-Bullshit-Paper** also refers to systems with the coupling of heat in winter and cold in summer into the intermediate circuit, where the output in the warm air and in the exhaust air are different, **the Claim that all 3 heat capacity flows have to be exactly the same size is therefore completely ridiculous.**



So we can confidently come to the conclusion, that there is a significant difference between such luminaries and the Eiffel Tower: In the Eiffel Tower, the biggest rivets are at the bottom!