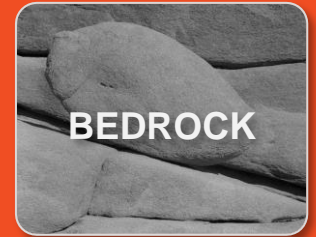
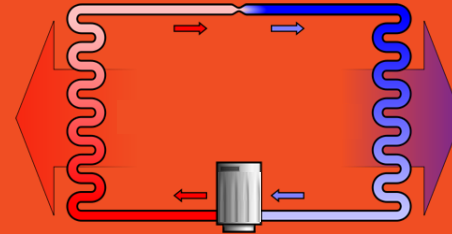


# Experience with Design, Commissioning and Operation of Sustainable Ground-Source Heat Pumps for Heating and Cooling



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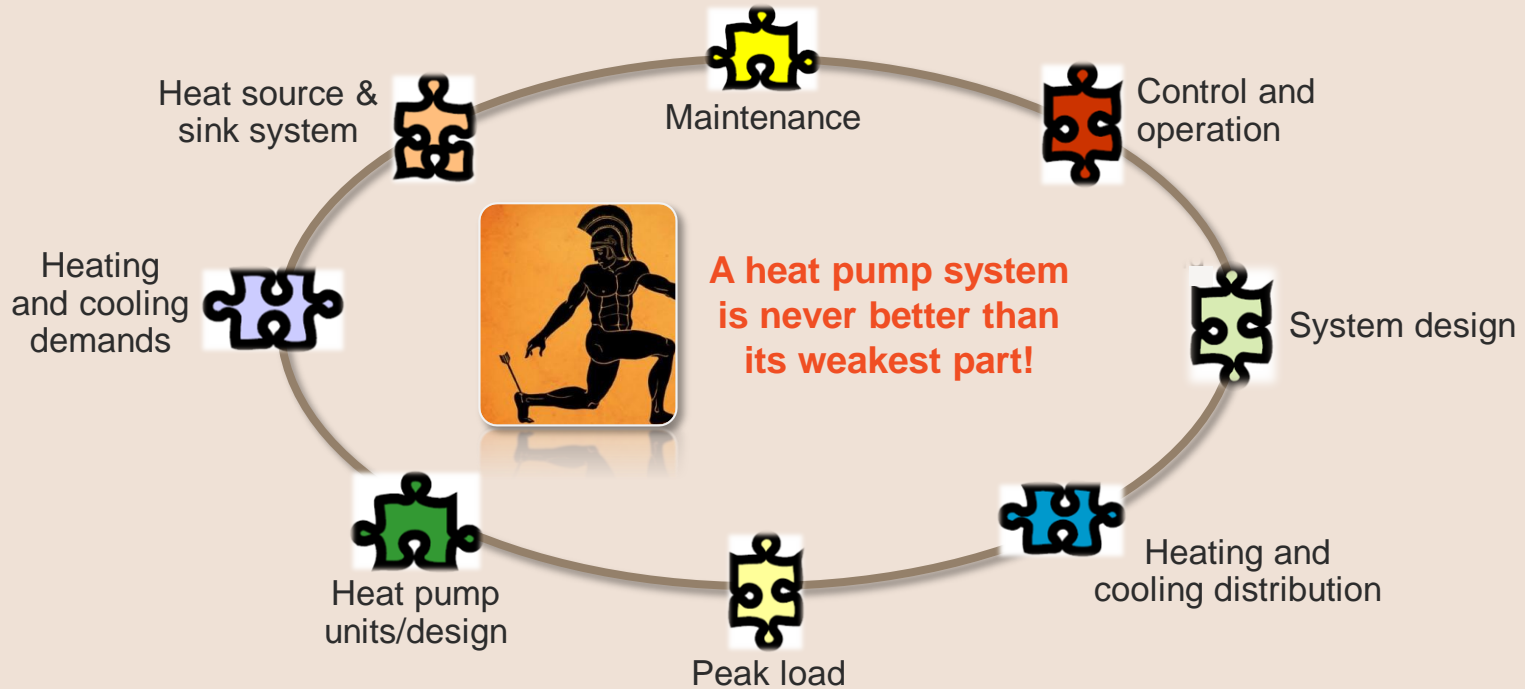


# Sustainable GHSP Plants

- **Minimum resource/material use**
  - High-quality components and unit – long lifetime
- **Environmentally friendly fluids**
  - Refrigerants – anti-freeze fluids – PCM etc.
    - Biodegradable – excellent thermophysical properties
- **Energy-efficient operation**
  - Energy-efficient components, units and systems
    - Minimum electricity use (kg CO<sub>2</sub>/kWh) during operation
  - Regular maintenance
    - Long lifetime – maintained energy efficiency



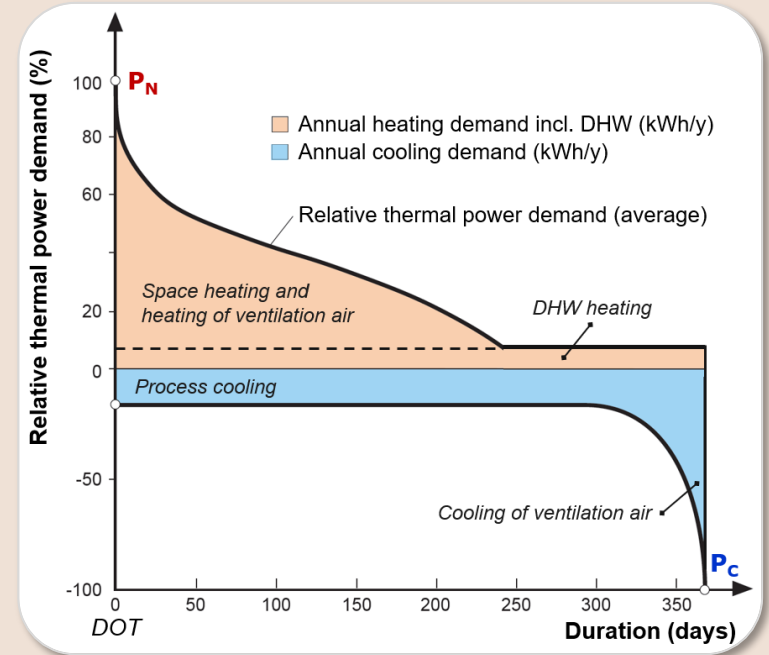
# Sustainability – Total Quality from Design to Operation



# Calculation of Heating and Cooling Demands



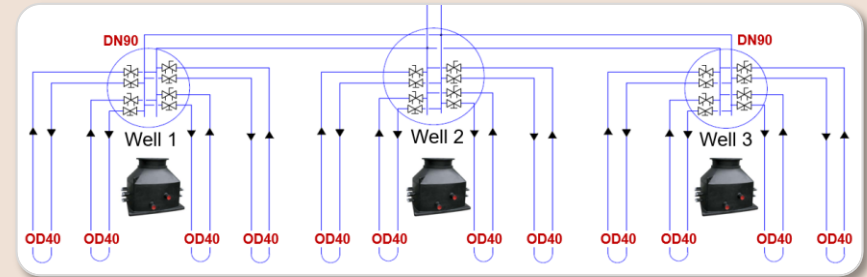
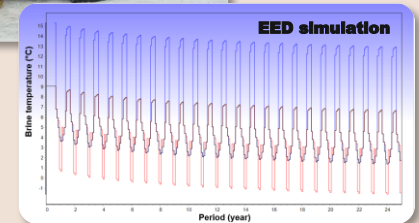
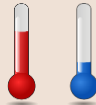
- Power demand (kW) & energy demand (kWh/year)
  - Space heating
  - Heating of ventilation air (after heat recovery unit)
  - DHW heating
  - Space cooling and process cooling
- Power duration diagram (load visualisation) →
- Essential for correct design of:
  - Heat pump system
  - Borehole system (BTES)
  - Distribution systems for heating & cooling



# Design of the Borehole System (BTES)



- **Annual thermal energy balance**
  - Heating/cooling loads for heat pump system (kW, kWh/year)
  - Ground properties (NGU or TRT)
  - Possibly thermal charging (space limitations, ground-conditions etc.)
- **Computer tools for design – e.g. EED or IDA ICE**
  - Total borehole depth
  - Borehole geometry
- **Ground-source system – components/fluid**
  - Borehole heat exchanger (BHE) system
  - High-quality anti-freeze fluid
  - Pumps, heat exchangers, valves, deaerator etc.



# Design of Heat Pump Plant and Secondary Systems



- Heat pump units

- Natural working fluid (propane, ammonia, CO<sub>2</sub>)
- High quality components – ErP min. A+ or Eurovent min. A
- Risk assessment and safety systems for propane/ammonia

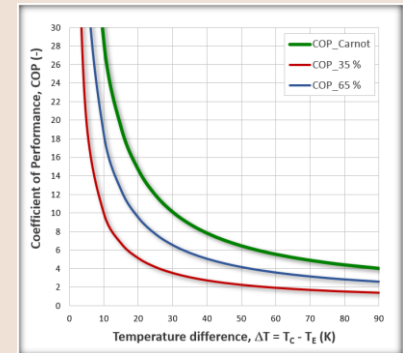
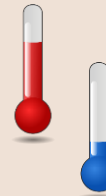


- Optimized system design and operation for minimum energy use

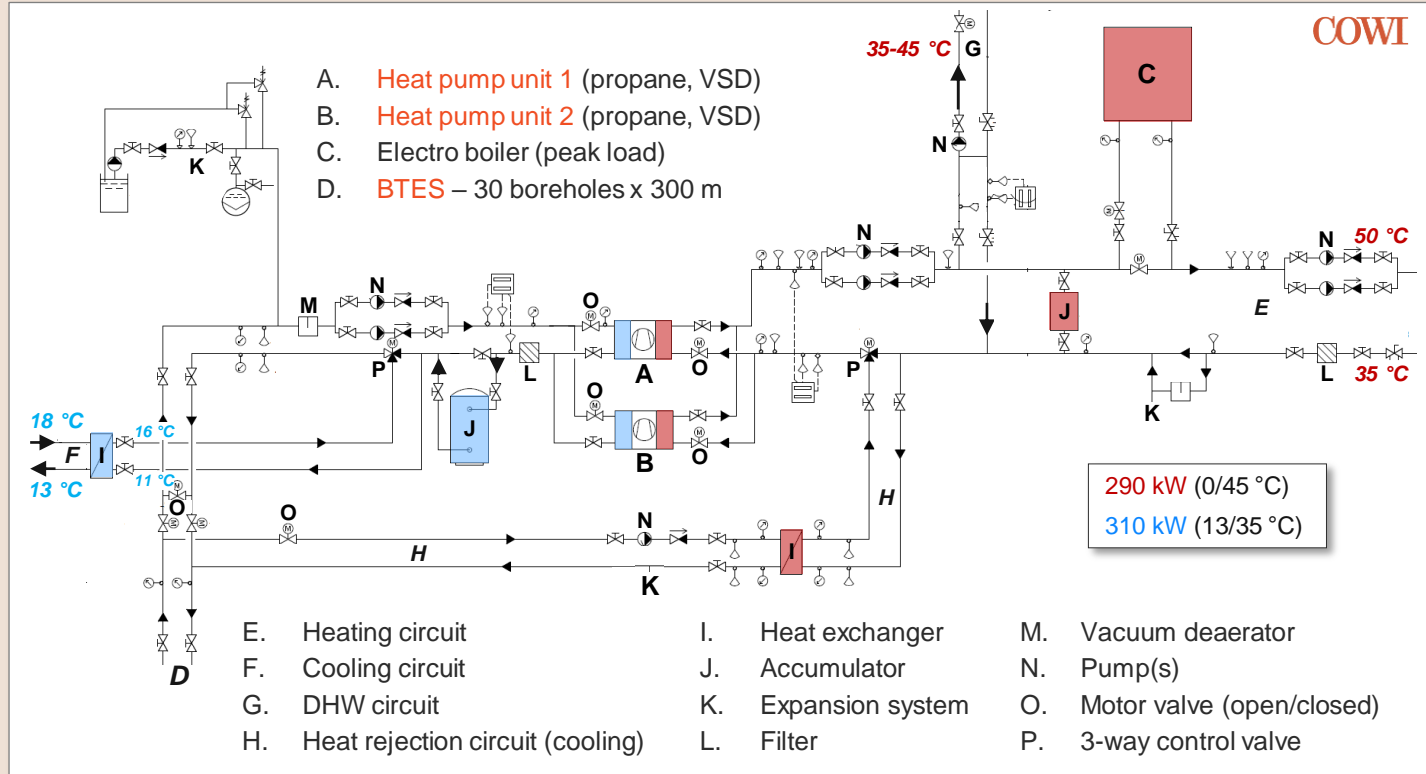
- Maximize SCOP, minimize peak load and minimize parasitic losses

- Secondary systems – SCOP vs. temperature level

- Heating – rel. low distribution temperature
  - Outdoor temp. compensated supply temperature
  - Retrofit – measures to reduce supply temperature in existing buildings
- Cooling – rel. high distribution temperature

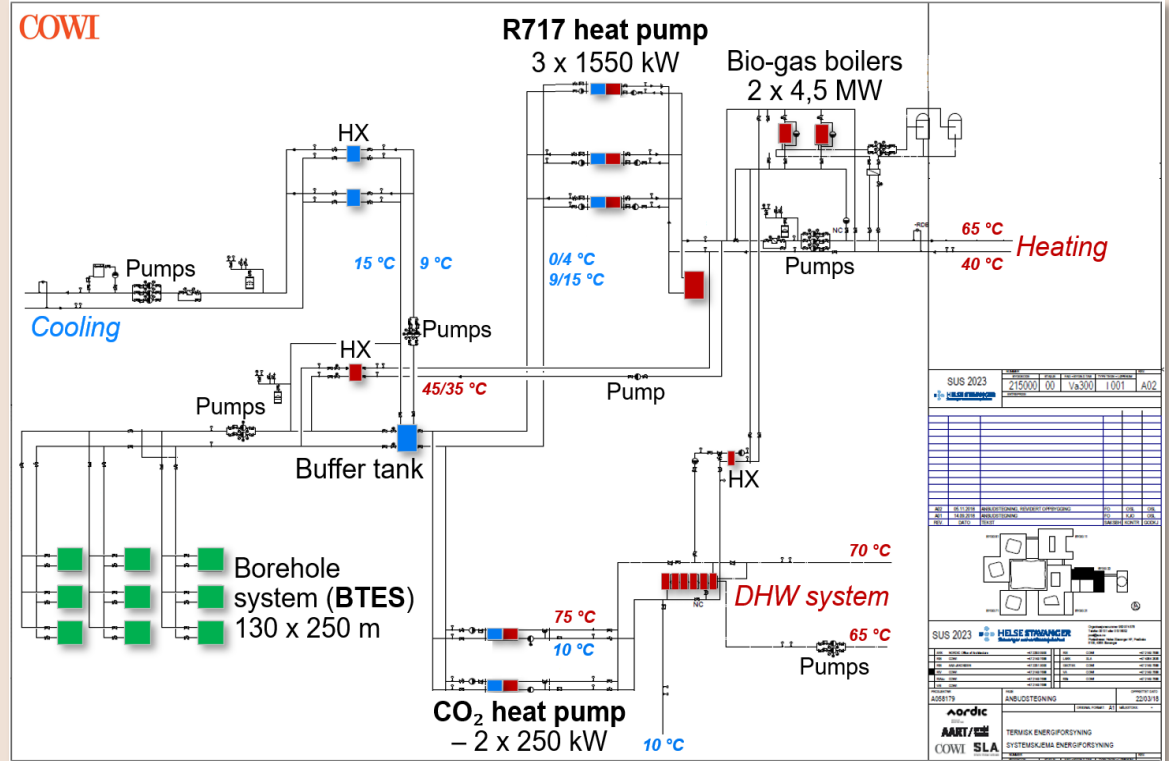


# Example – GSHP System for Heating, DHW & Cooling



# New Stavanger University Hospital

- Stage 1 – 120,000 m<sup>2</sup>
- To be completed 2024
- **World class GSHP system**
  - 130 boreholes x 250 m
  - Ammonia (R717) heat pumps
    - High-efficiency units (VSD)
  - CO<sub>2</sub> heat pumps – DHW
    - Optimized for DHW heating
- **Peak load – bio-gas boilers**

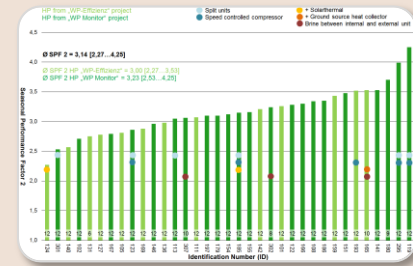




# Sustainability – Real Quality vs. Designed Quality



- **Project design** → tender documents
  - Design-build contract – technical description with quality req. + system diagram
  - Assessment of tenders – equipment, system design, performance, price offer (LCC)
- **Detailed design** – installation period
  - Continuous quality control (QC)
- **Commissioning**
  - Extensive functional testing – components, sub-systems and total system
  - Performance testing – SAT (Site Acceptance Test)
- **Trial operating period** (min. 12 months) with plant tuning → hand-over
- **Plant monitoring** → optimized operation – regular maintenance



**Thank you for your attention!**