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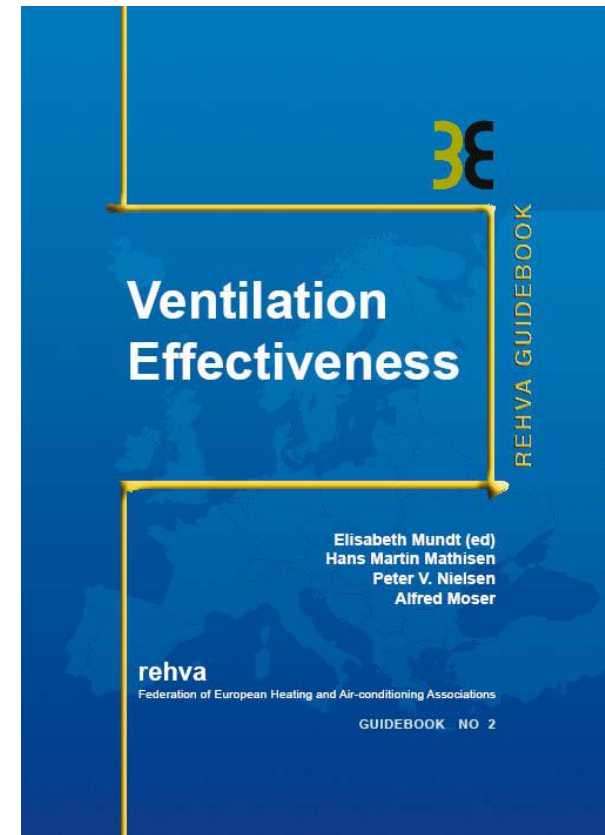
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Ventilation Effectiveness

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VENTILATION EFFECTIVENESS

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Indices representing the ability of a system to exchange the air in the room

- air change efficiency, ε^a
- local air change index, ε_P^a

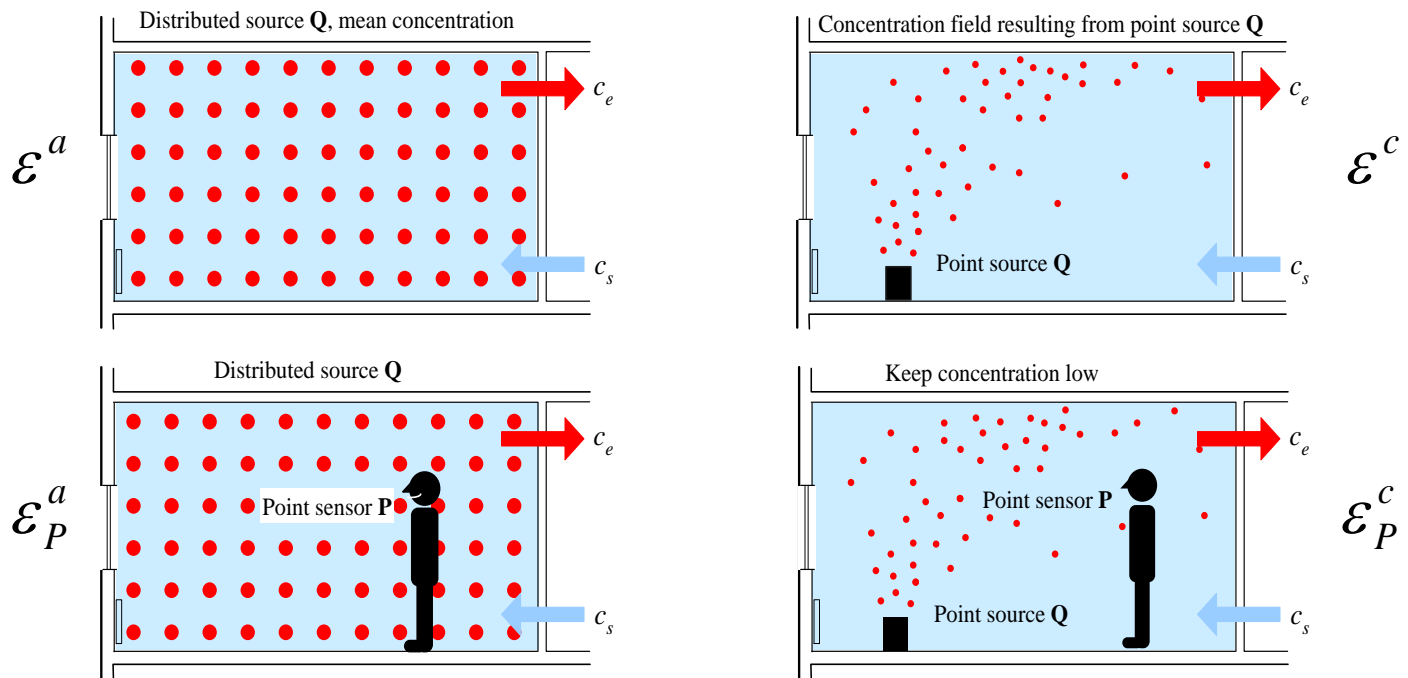
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Indices representing the ability of a system to remove air-borne contaminants

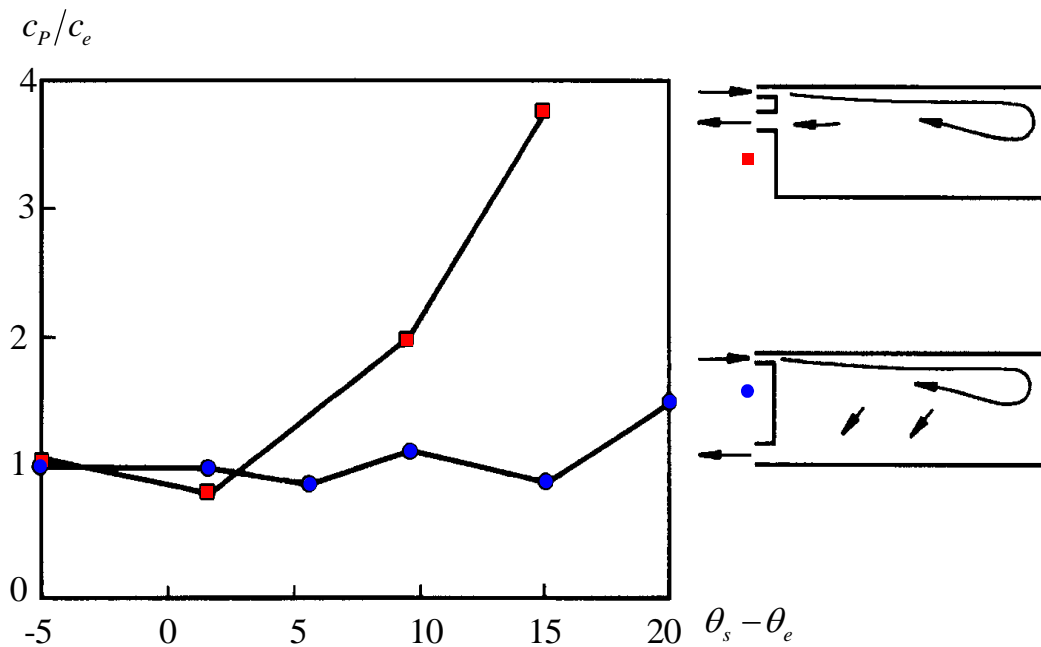
- contaminant removal effectiveness (CRE), ε^c
- local air quality index, ε_P^c

INTRODUCTORY CHAPTERS

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4 TYPICAL CONTAMINANTS AND CONTAMINANTS DISTRIBUTION IN VENTILATED ROOMS



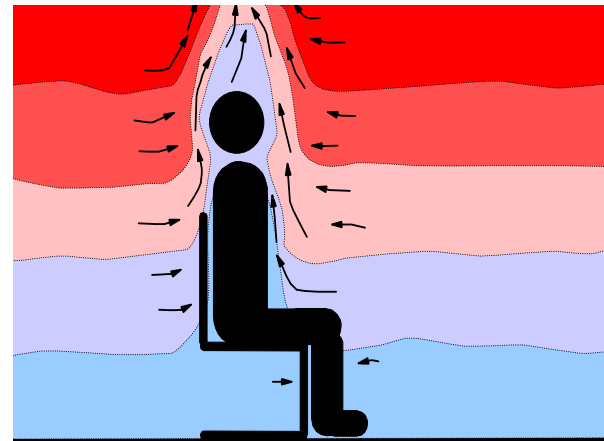
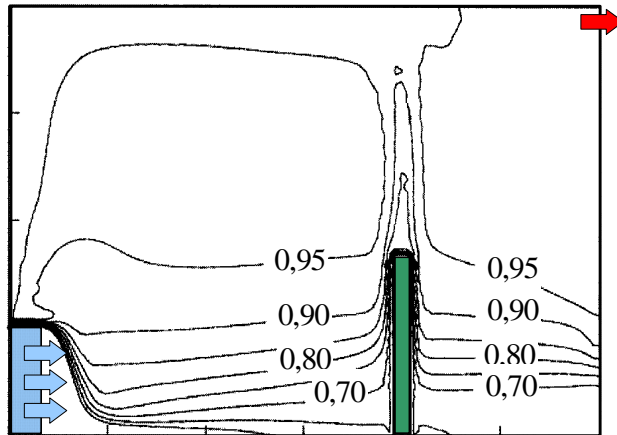
Return opening

The location of a return opening may have a very large influence on the concentration distribution, although it only has a small influence on the velocity distribution.

4 TYPICAL CONTAMINANTS AND CONTAMINANTS DISTRIBUTION IN VENTILATED ROOMS

Displacement ventilation and vertical concentration gradient

The idea behind displacement ventilation is to accept a variation in the concentration distribution with a high value below the ceiling and a low value in the occupied zone.



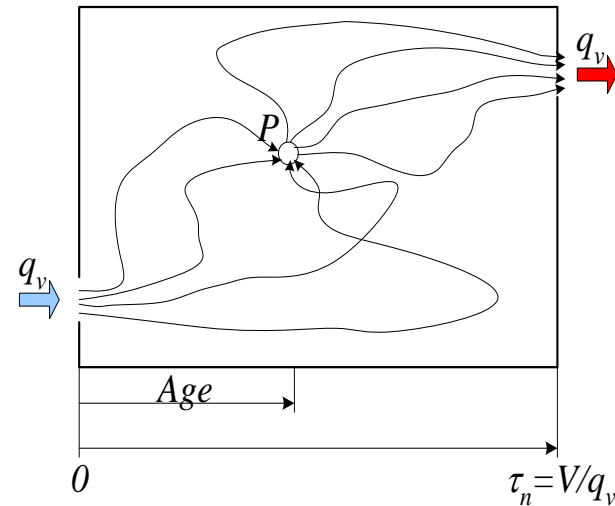
$$c_{\text{exp}}^* = 0,73 \quad \left. \vphantom{c_{\text{exp}}^*} \right\} c_{\text{exp}}^* = 0,76$$

5 THEORY AND DEFINITIONS

Air Change Efficiency ε^a

$$\varepsilon^a = \frac{\text{Mean age of air in the exhaust}}{2 \times \text{Room mean age of air}} = \frac{\tau_n}{2 \cdot \langle \bar{\tau} \rangle}$$

The mean age of air in the exhaust is always equal to the nominal time constant τ_n



What is the mean age of the air in the room?

The room mean age of air can not be less than half the nominal time constant!

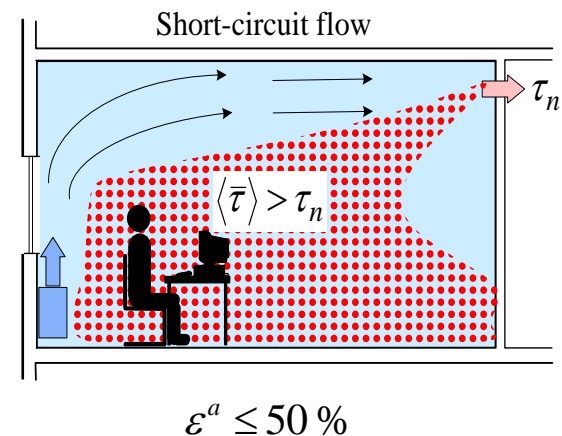
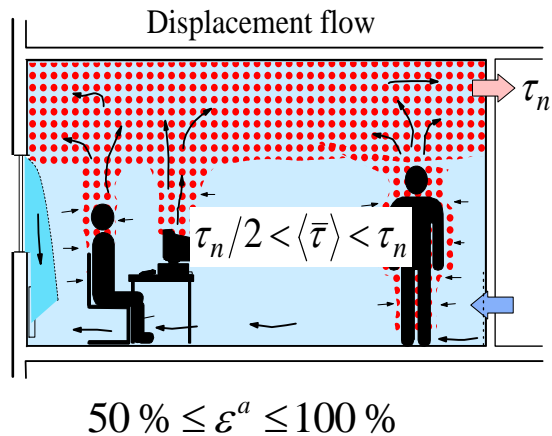
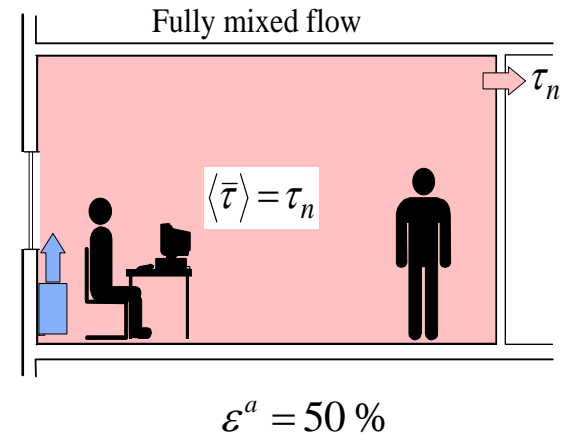
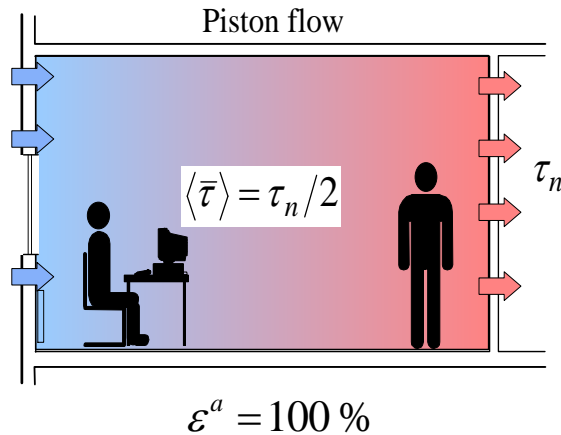
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Thus the air change efficiency $< 100 \%$

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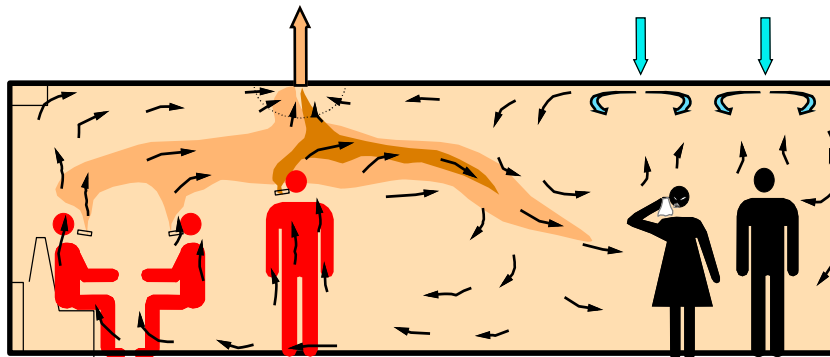
Air Change Efficiency



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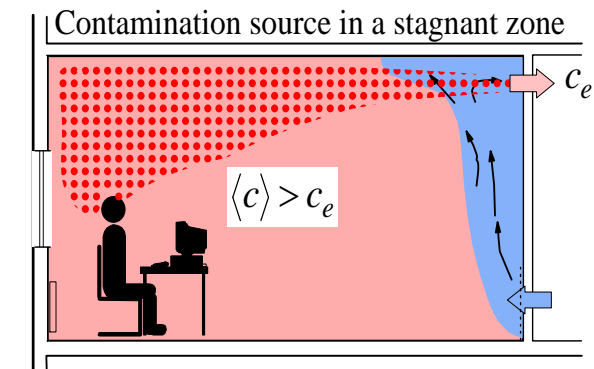
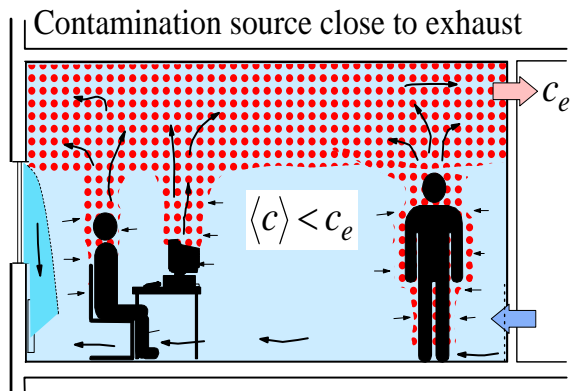
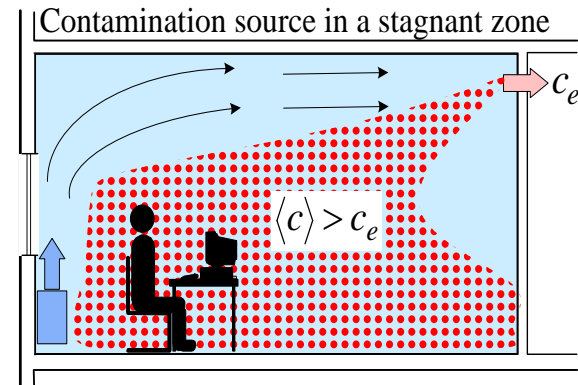
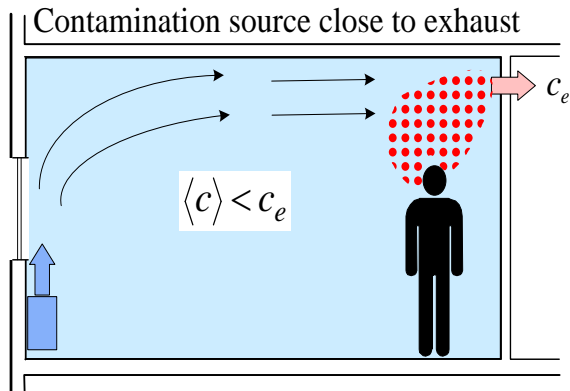
Contaminant Removal effectiveness, CRE

$$CRE = \frac{\text{Concentration in the exhaust}}{\text{Mean concentration in the room}} = \frac{c_e}{\langle c \rangle}$$

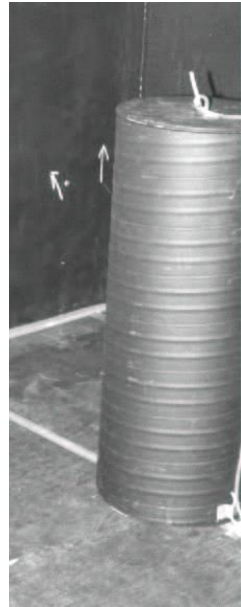
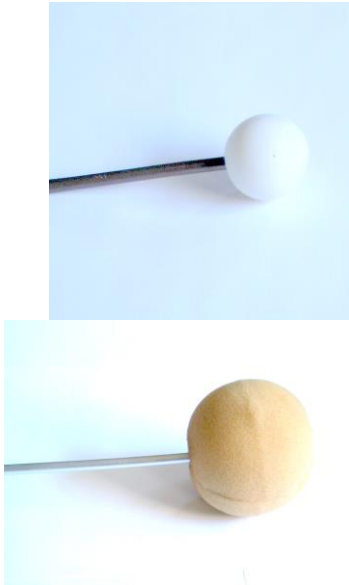


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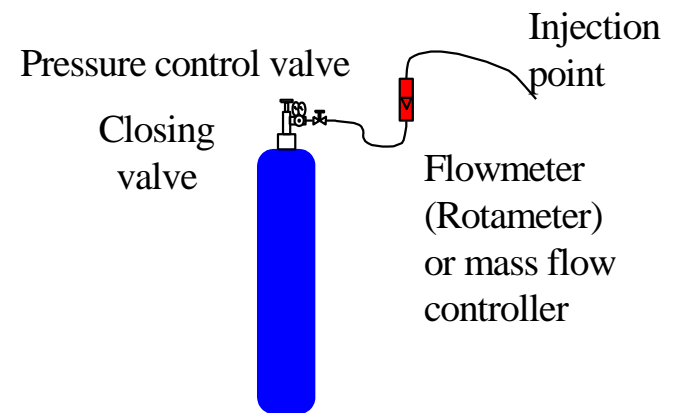
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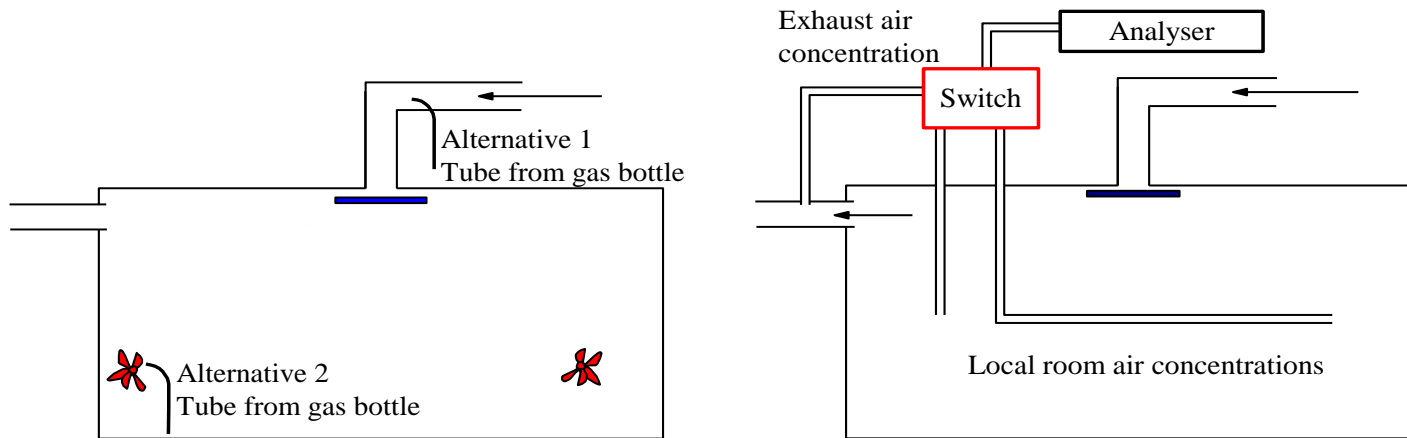
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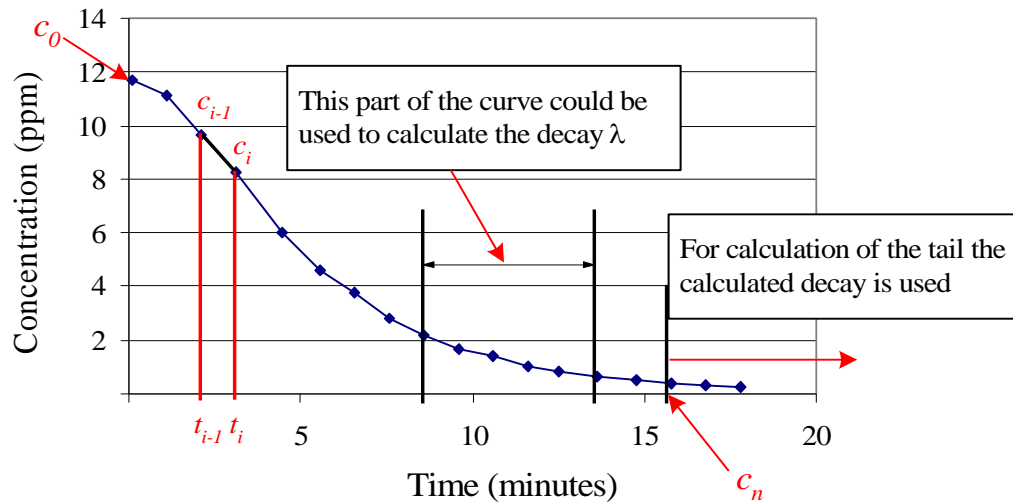
Injection of tracer gas



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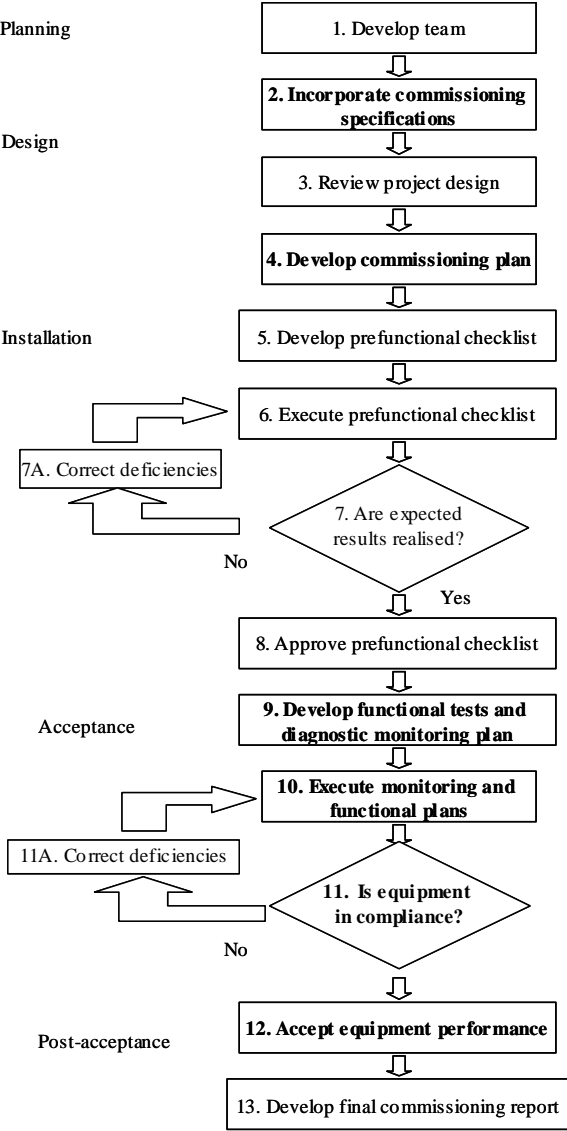


Routines for how to measure and calculate the ventilation effectiveness

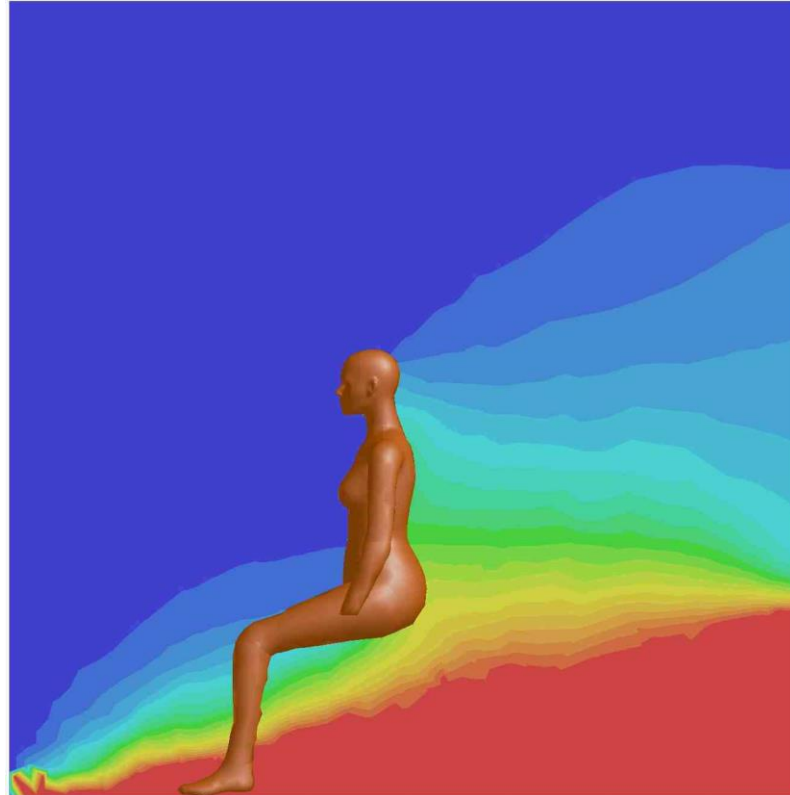


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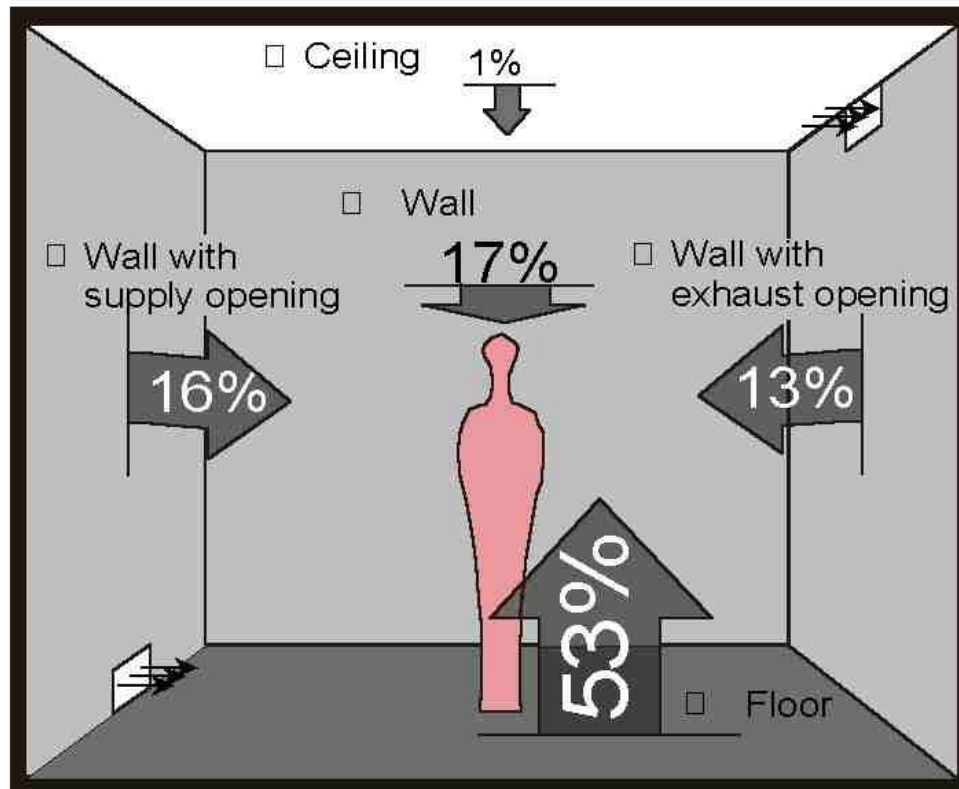


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Contaminant distribution around a sedentary person, contaminant source at the floor

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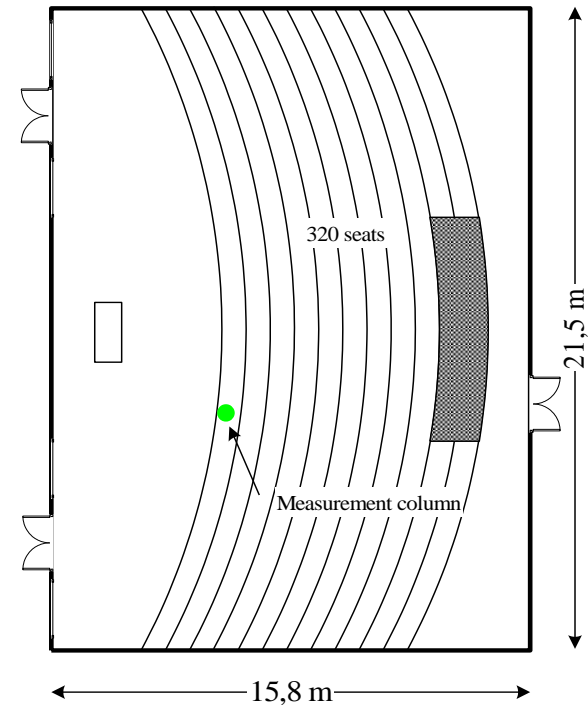
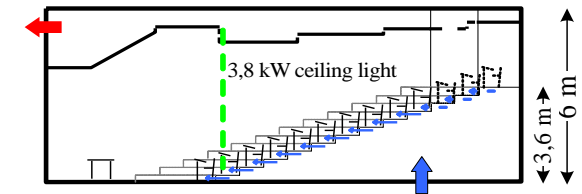


The exposure of a standing person from different surfaces with the same emission

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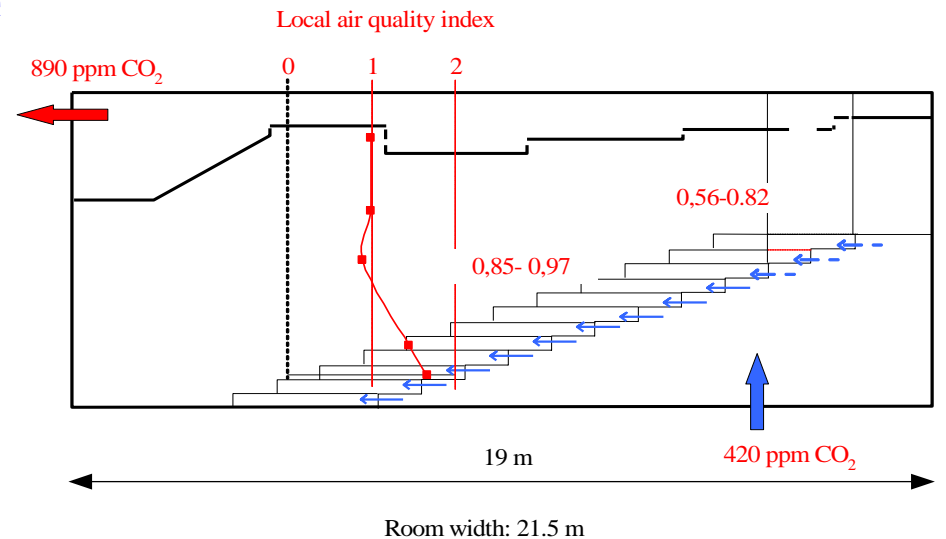
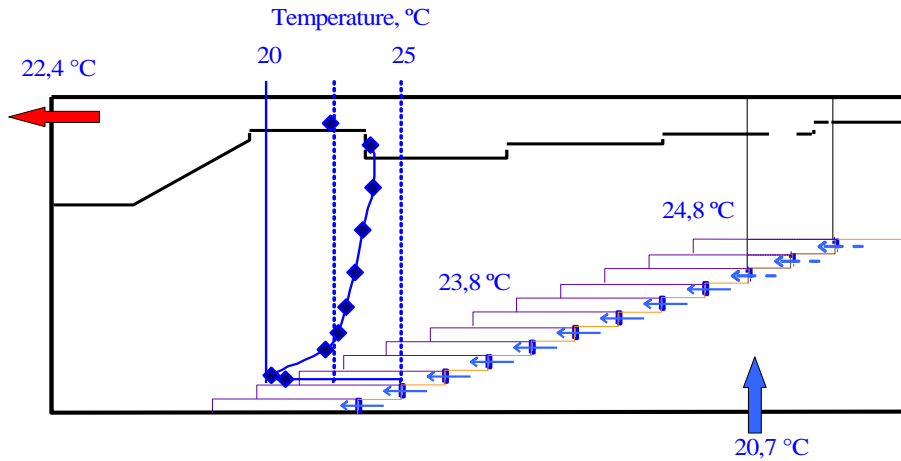
Description and Design Values, Measured Results, Discussion of Results

Auditorium



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Office in town hall



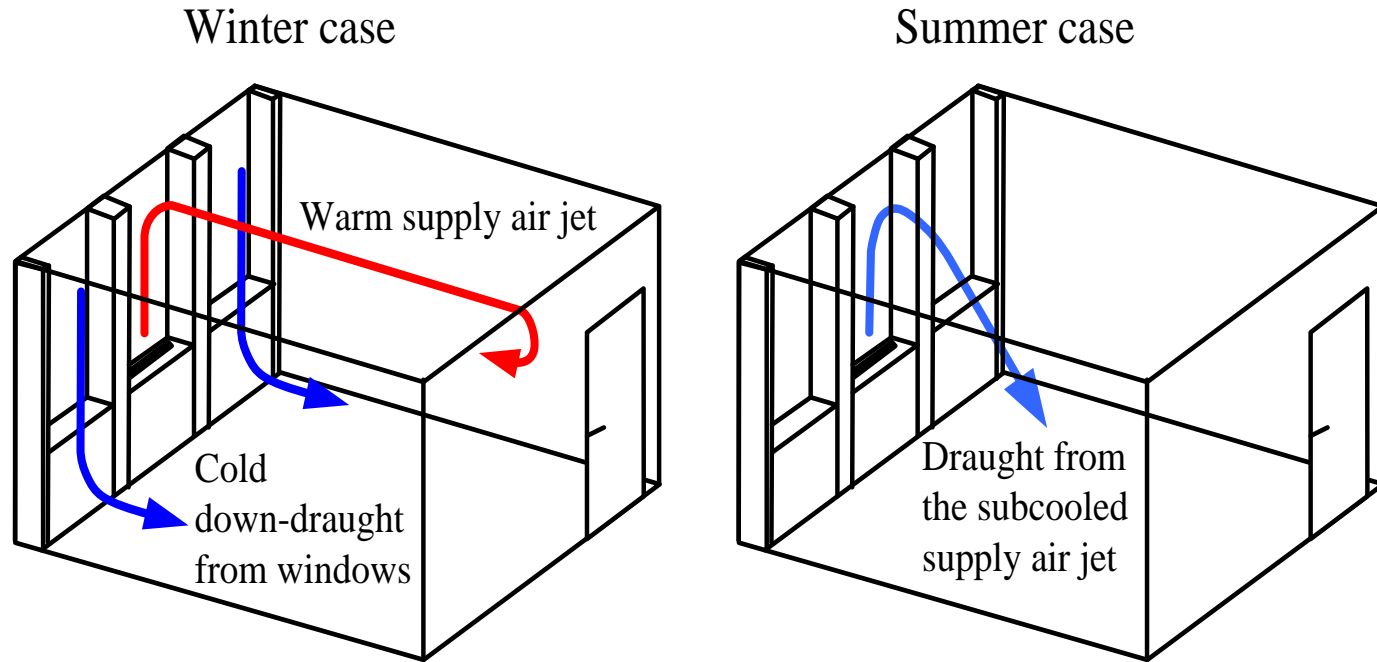
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Full scale experiments

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Flow pattern before reconstruction of the ventilation system

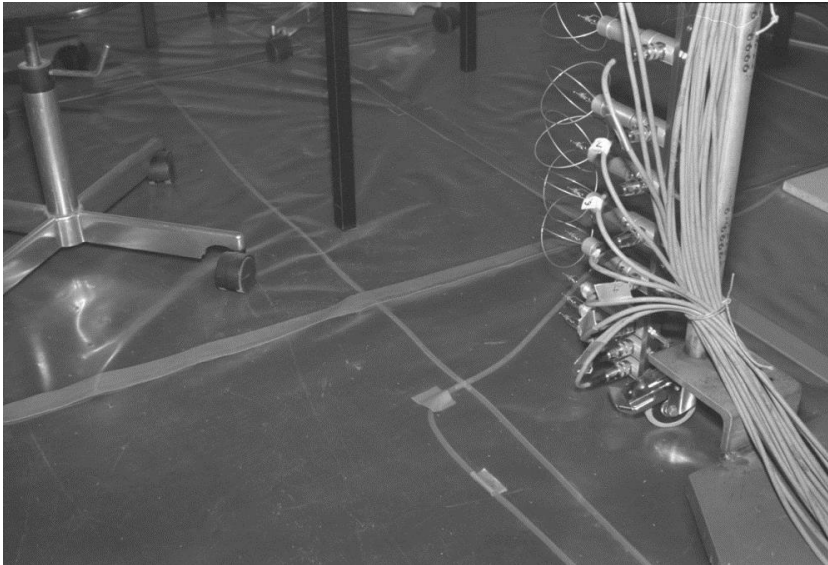
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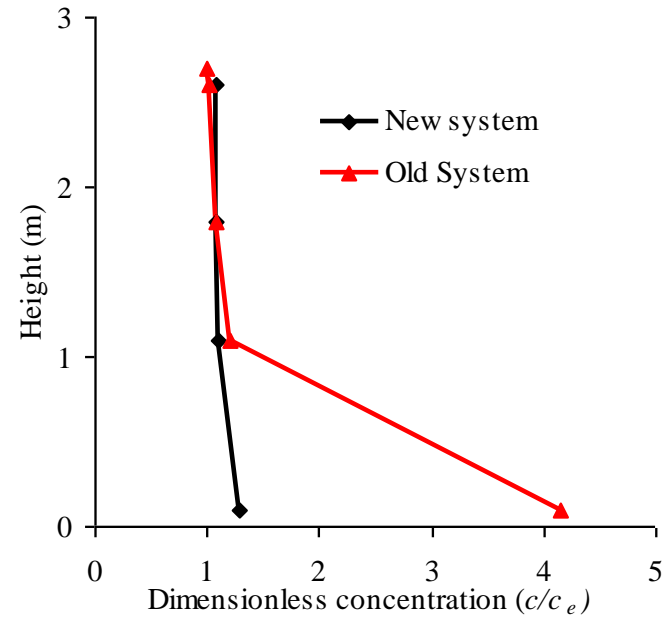
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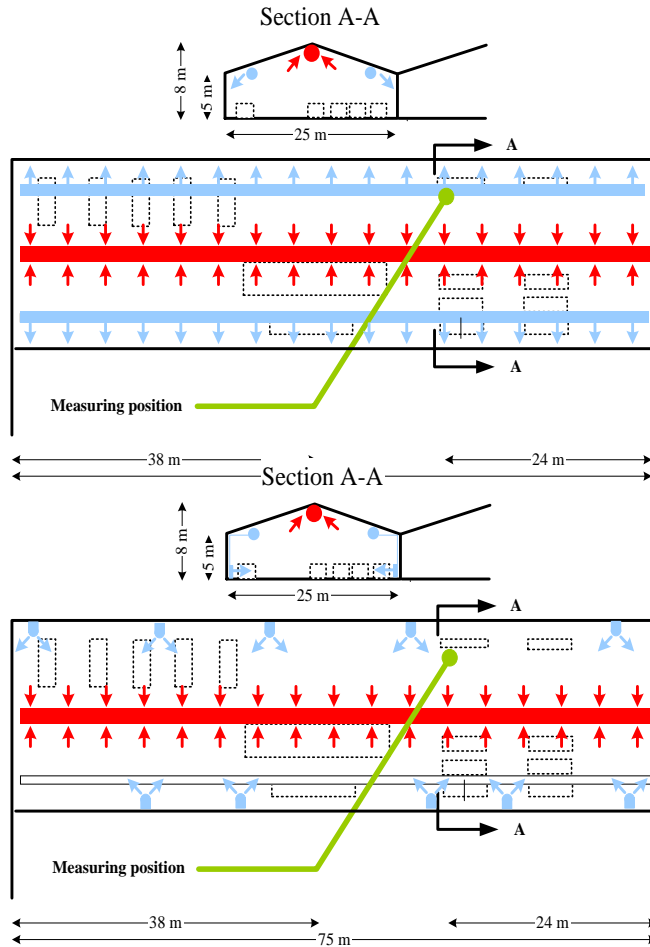
Carpet as contaminant source



Concentration profiles

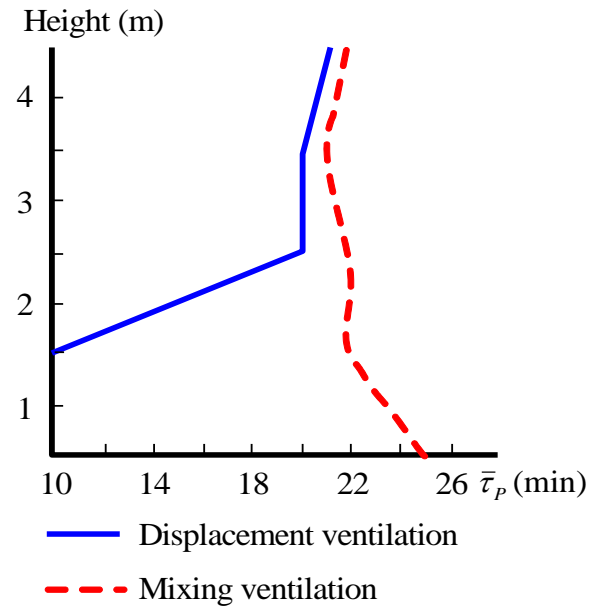
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Industrial building



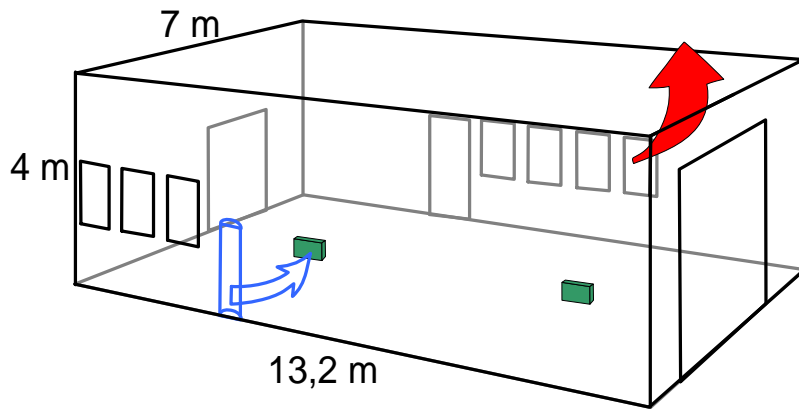
Mixing ventilation

Displacement ventilation

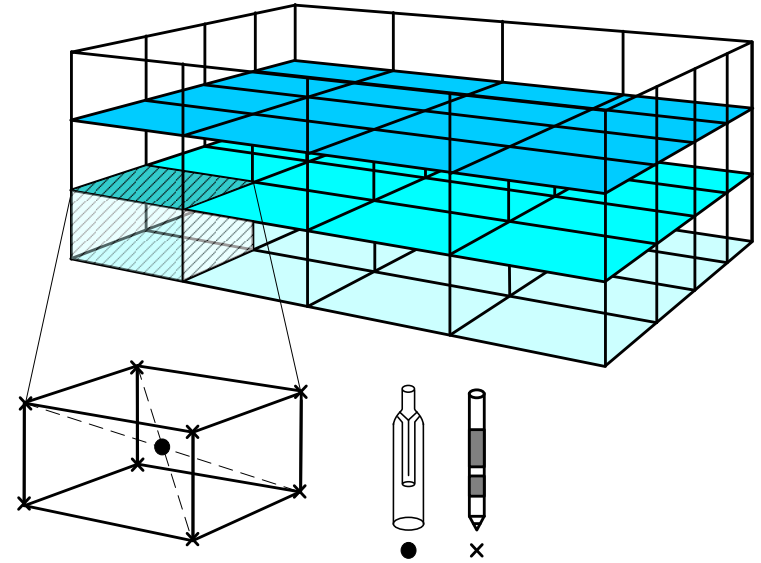


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Homogeneous emission techniques



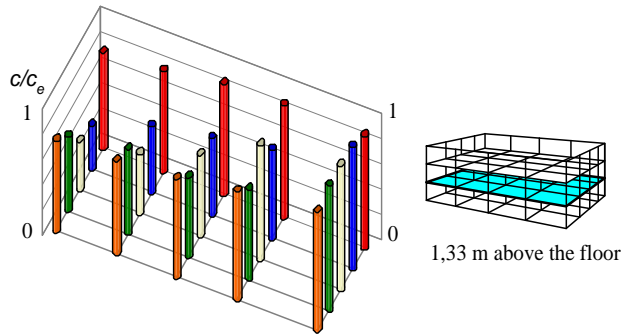
Laboratory hall



Subdivision of the room

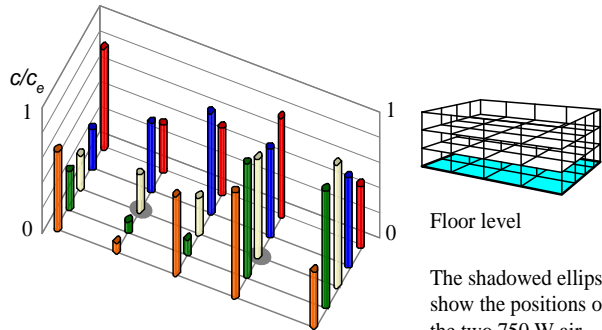
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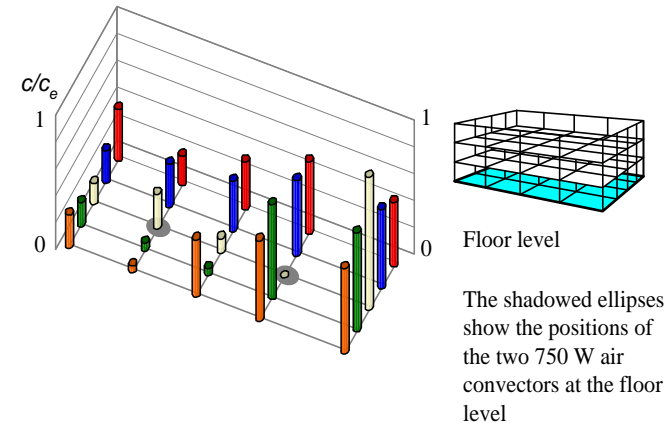
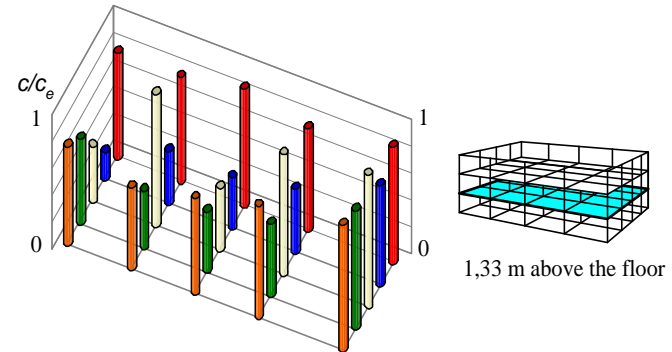


0,35	0,42	0,50	0,54
0,28	0,35	0,45	0,60
0,27	0,28	0,43	0,63
0,33	0,33	0,48	0,57

Computed local mean age of air in the sub-volumes between the two layers



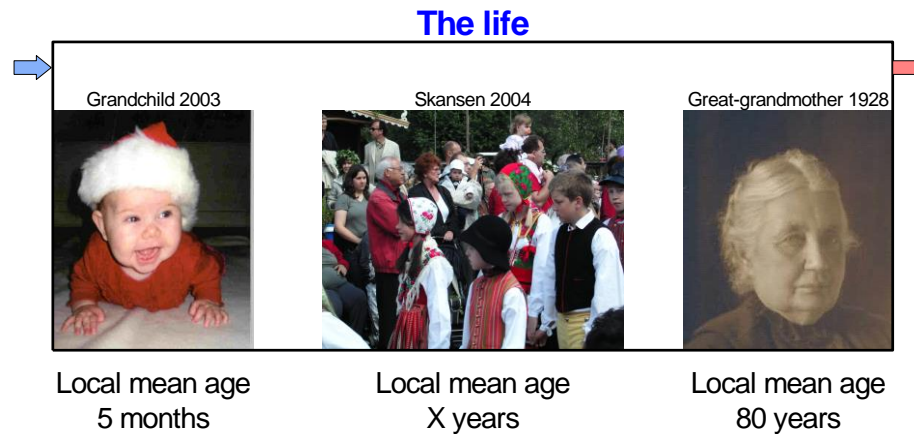
The shadowed ellipses show the positions of the two 750 W air convectors at the floor level



Local mean age of air

Local concentrations with point sources

Thank you for your attention



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