

# NEGAWATTS

AS BART VAN DER MEERSSCHE CALLS THEM...

*Experiences while increasing home efficiency*

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## OUR HOME

*Semi-detached house in Karlsruhe*

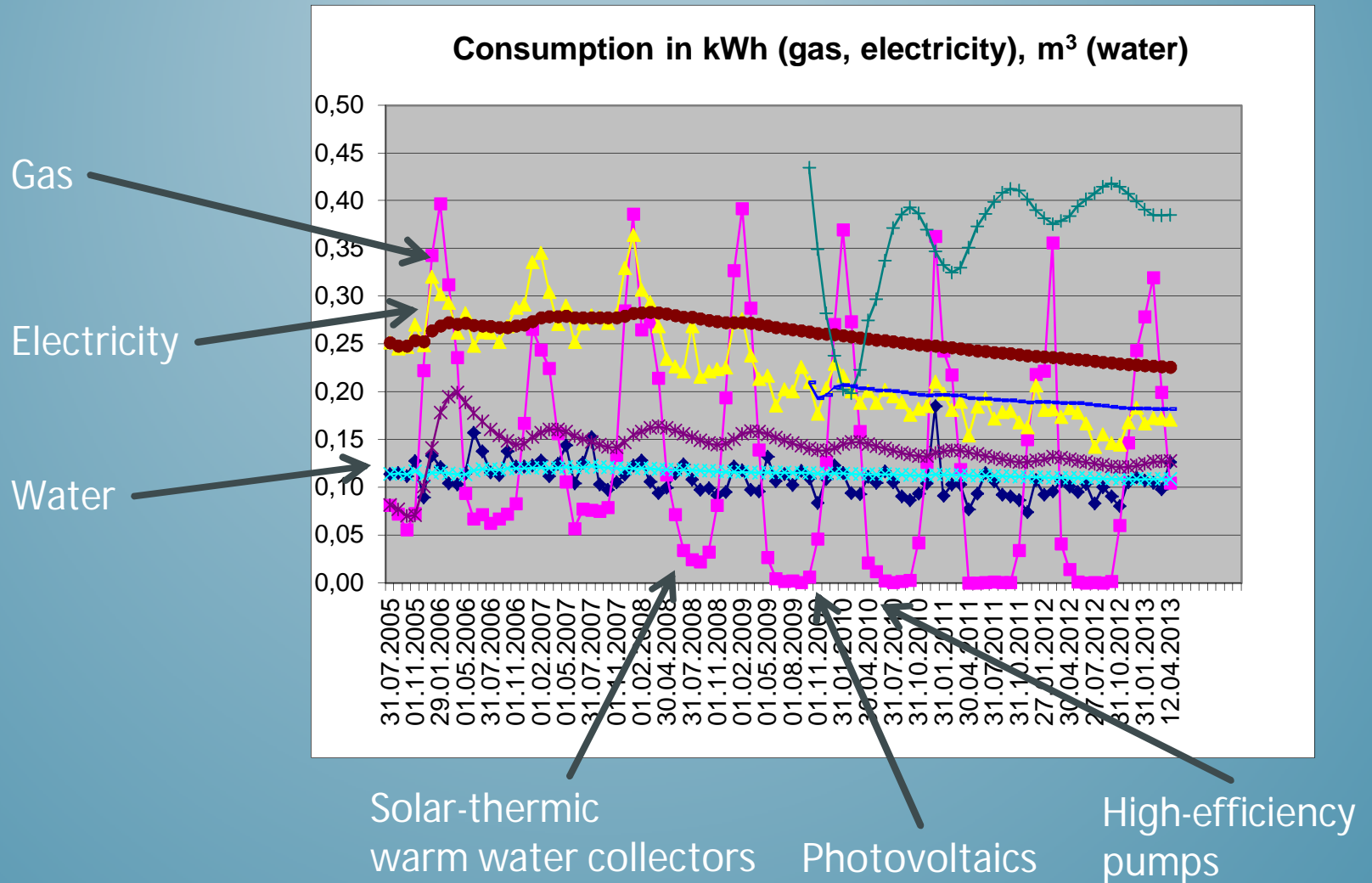
*Insulated, but no explicit „energy standard“*



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# ENERGY CONSUMPTION

*"Measuring" period 8 years – always  
at months end*



# SOLAR- THERMIC WATER HEATING

*Does it work? Yes. Is it efficient? No.  
Why?  
8000€ investment for 20€ monthly  
savings*



Source: [www.buderus.de](http://www.buderus.de)

# PHOTO- VOLTAICS

German subsidy policy. No comment.  
Long term – best investment as more  
electricity is produced than consumed\*



\*waiting for payable storage



## HIGH- EFFICIENCY PUMPS

*Get rid of old >70W heating and  
water pumps (don't know why others  
are still sold...)*



# PUMP CONTROL

## Convenience function for warm water supply – temperature regulated circulation

