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APS112 TUT 0126 TEAM 137

ENGINEERING NOTEBOOK

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Project: Reducing GHG Emissions from Homes and Buildings (072)

Client: Ms. Bratoti Das, Senior Associate, Development and Planning  
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01/25/2023 Tutorial

Client Meeting Plan - The purpose is to develop an email to schedule an in-person meeting with the client to discuss the requirements of the project. The client is Ms. Bratati Das, Senior Associate, Development and Planning from Emerson, based in Richmond Hill.

Context for the email: We are an engineering student design team from Engineering Strategies and Practice.

→ Project: Reducing Greenhouse Gases from Homes and Buildings.

- Selection of times:
    - Friday Feb. 10, 4:00p - 5:00p
    - Thursday Feb. 9, 2:00p - 3:00p
    - Mon Feb. 6: 10:00a - 11:00a
- After Tutorial 2  
on Feb. 1 (Wed)

→ Email was approved by engineering manager and sent by Keli. When the client approves of a time Keli will email the esp after to book a campus meeting place, and we will send a confirmation email to the client.

#### Client Statement Impressions

- Bob researched (Quick Google Search) of Emerson - it is a U.S. based company specializing in heating, ventilation and air-conditioning systems, as well as conservation and plumbing
- Scope of project seems residential "in houses" → however we are unaware of scope: What parts of the house can we modify?  
For example, can we add insulation? This would prevent heat loss and lower the usage of gas heaters.
- Focus on developing a better method to save heat than heat the house → instead of circulating hot air that is heated with natural gas, we can use steam or water since it has a

behavior of higher molar heat capacity.

- City X → is this Richard Hill or an arbitrary city? Does the city actually matter? ← Chema recommends asking geologists to narrow down

### Team Charter

Contact Person: Keli → She is responsible and presentable → She was dressed business casual to the meeting and keeps well-written notes

Responsibilities:- Sets up meetings (virtual and in-person)

- Communicate with clients (CI, ESP office)

- Take meeting minutes

Team Leader: Bob. - Bob is assertive and took charge of the assignment, dictating how we should spend our time in tutorial.

Responsibilities:- Lead the final presentation? - Boost group morale

- Make contingency decisions

- Guide people on the right tools

Project Manager: Katelyn - She was project manager last term, so has some experience. Also came to the meeting prepared (with notes)

Responsibilities:- Set deadlines and allocate roles, create calendar for deadlines

- Create weekly backups of team's work

Be a mediator in group projects - Accepting?

Editor: Michael → Has attention to detail and edited our email ~~multiple times~~

and made it more clear and concise

Responsibilities:- Unifies the document. - Communicate with individuals on their work

- Understand how different parts of the project fit together

Prototype Leader/Draftsperson: Eleni. Eleni is enthusiastic, technically competent with research, and learns quickly.

\* Sezen was not present

Responsibilities: - Assist with using library catalogues, finding and validating sources; developing basic engineering drawings

- Offer technical support, learning new software

Action items for Friday Jan 27 (Myhal 5th floor meeting)

11:00a - 12:00p: Create summary of good team charter points from ESP I and bring to the meeting.

01/27/2023 Meeting

↳ Grade Expectation: 80-85

- learning team dynamics, how to contribute in a team, the design process, etc.

- Creating a presentable prototype and professional up of that can be added to an engineering portfolio for job applications

↳ Specific: ~~Complete~~ Design a solution to reduce greenhouse gas emissions for commercial environments

↳ Acquire collaboration and design skills

The band → 10h collectively - 15 hrs, meet as a team 5h of a week

Code of Conduct

↳ Show respect and provide examples - reinforce a positive environment, no physical methods of resolving conflict,

↳ If there's repeated negative behavior, ~~team teach~~

concerned group members should send an email to ~~the~~ the

~~ADP~~ ~~needed~~ talk to the disciplinary member.

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Decision-making guidelines

→ Separate minor and major stages;

Major stages: ~~meetings~~ meetings should take place, research, etc very quickly with M2, M3, M4, M5

Internal submission deadlines:

→ Tasks must be completed → Team decision making process.

→ Expectation: Use voting system, precon list

→ If a member does not give their opinion, it won't be taken into account

(Conflict Resolutions will accompany most annual -

→ Derive from decision making.

- Illustrate who possible conflicts are

→ Quality of work produced  $\Rightarrow$  increased turnover & other numbers

→ Not fully caught

→ Differing opinions

→ Personal concerns  $\Rightarrow$  role of conflict consequence

- Prioritize resolutions  $\Rightarrow$  If required  $\Rightarrow$  might be ignored and never considered for long

→ Consider what the results are

→ Think about

Improvement and Change

→ Use Google Doc ~~comments~~ comments for revision of other workers' work, and mention in next meeting

← Editor should have 6h - individual screens ready for editing 36h before deadline.

## Internal and External Communications

### ↳ Internal Group Chat

- Z com Meety's

- Text messages → within 4-6 hrs of 10:00a - 8:00p.

- Communication etiquette

### External communication - handled by external person ~~or external~~

- Must be EM approved unless ~~it~~ is listed on the syllabus → can be overridden

### ↳ Other numbers can contact EM, CI, TA during workdays, emailing handled by external person

## Meeting Guidelines

- ↳ Bimonthly group period unless you notify the team in advance

- When our meetings are:

Thurs 4:00 - 5:00p Myhal 5th floor

Mon ~~10:00a - 11:00a~~ 2:00p - 3:00p

- ↳ Emergency online meetings on Zoom (organized by Keli)

- ↳ Project manager should organize meetings in IG group chat 24h in advance.

- Online meetings - if necessary, would be scheduled ~~4th-10th~~  
in advance (Sunday 1:00p - 2:00p)

Missing a meeting → 3 strike system before ~~suspension~~ is issued

Assigning and distributing workload

→ Every group member should have a say in what they want to do

- Create a backlog, the is deducted off after each individual portion is done

→ Every member does their own advances

what no Contingencies =

→ Emergencies: Medical, Illness, Injury, Extreme Weather, Personal

short period of time → Work sessions

- Loss/Addition of members.

- Loss of work → save in a hard drive

Michael - Contingencies, etc

Eleni - Code & Conduct, Conflict Resolution

Keli - Internal and external communications, Meeting guidelines

Bob - Distributing Workload / Decision-making

Katelyn - Goals, Improvement and change guidelines

Everyone works from own section in appendix.

→ Wed. 2:00pm - 3pm to start from scratch

→ Work between each other, problem solving to improve day.

→ Every member has a role to play, everyone is responsible for their part.

01/31/2023 (Tues) - Client Statement Preparation

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### Knowledge:

↳ Reference to United Nations statistic: Emissions must drop by 7.6% per year from 2020-2023 to maintain global temperature rise of  $1.5^{\circ}\text{C}$

↳ Is this a goal/objective measure of what the client hopes to achieve? Why is it mentioned?

↳ Setting "City X" → is this a specific city? Does it matter?

Are we using Richmond Hill (where the company is based?)

- Use of natural gas in space and water heating → implied that space and water heating contributes most significantly to GHG emissions

- Guidelines (can be used to form PR):

↳ Reduce energy: increasing efficiency → Must examine existing technologies, show where maximum power consumption happens → Is it viable? How much could be saved

→ Electricity → Is this viable? What if City X produces electricity through Greenhouse Gases?

↳ Power Grid usage → Is this viable for large scale?

- Zero-carbon technologies → Sucks expensive, out of scope?

- No mention of improving storage: storing heat better:

insulation, using higher molar heat capacity substances, etc.

### Factors considered:

Cost - What is the budget for this project? (If not specified)

- Capex, opex and/or eliminate

Perhaps save and improve efficiency, eliminate? decrease usage

↓ ↓ Note the cr.

↓ Chemical solvents perhaps? Break down GHG?

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Timeline → How long is given for the project? How much time is available? When is it? How is it charged? Can we adapt new technologies needed? Changes, etc. to accommodate new technologies?

Feasibility → What resources does City & Land & Why can be costed?

Longevity → How many years? What about maintenance & how much is allocated for that?

02/01/2023 = Tutorial (Wednesday 16:00 - 18:00)

Microsoft Project ~~due dates~~ <sup>Milestones</sup>

- Client Meeting Plan
- Client Meeting #1
- Project Requirements
- Client Meeting #2
- Conceptual Design Specification
- Design Review Group
- Client Meeting #3
- Measure of Success
- Final Presentation

Keli confirmed email is ~~sent~~ received email Mar. 7 or 30th

Audience assessment: Boototi Das

↳ Background: Bachelor of Business Administration

- Business background: may not be familiar with technical terms

- Has worked in business development (also in Ontario Parks Ontario)

↳ relevant experience: financial analysis and report.

↳ audit: ~~stakeholders~~ relations

↳ Expense approval, some project management

- Acquaint from the mayor:
  - ↳ Understand scope of the project
- Main objectives and what ~~are not~~ takes priority.
- ~~Another~~ Available resources ~~and~~ constraints.

Recommendations from CI:

- Seat from the LR.
- Power, Transportation, Industrial & largest center of mining
- ↳ Are we restricted to residential?

Questions

- ↳ Geographical attributes of City X?
- Municipal government involvement
- What are the <sup>current</sup> ~~current~~ Leaking and infiltration systems of City X?
- ↳ What are the electricity generation methods of City X?
- ↳ Determine if "electricity" according to WRI is beneficial

Action Item

Eleni - Info sheet by Friday, research WRI <sup>(early)</sup>

Bob - Research Emerson.

Keli - Research GFG technologies

Katelyn - Set up the Gantt Act

HVAC system - Research WRI, efficiency <sup>HVAC system</sup> ~~efficiency~~ ~~newest~~

- Status report, circulate weekly agenda

Michael - Research technologies for GFG. Saturday

- Generate questions  
Put in research folder C Drive.

~~Friday~~ 11:59p.

02/02/2023 - Independent Research (Thursday)

Source I: McLaren, Assessment of potential negative emissions technology

↳ The source is relevant because it targets the further of capture.

→ Introduces 14 different techniques; however paper was published in 2012.

- Considers the following ~~factors~~<sup>factors</sup>:

1) States: should be tested, process to use

2) Technical capacity/scalability → can use at a large scale;

3) Cost-effectiveness;

4) Use of techniques can be halted & scaled;

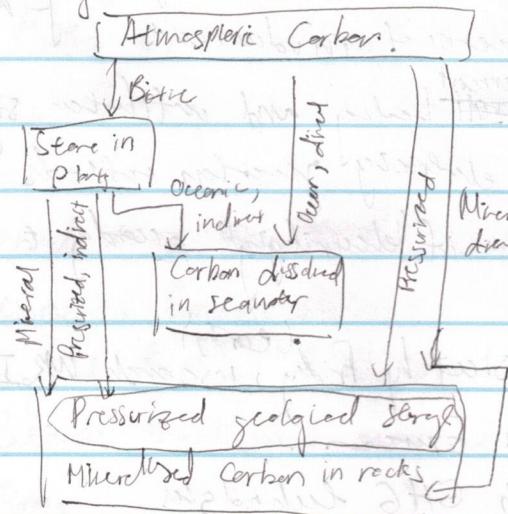
5) Side effects are known;

6) Acceptability: Takes into account side effects;

7) Energy efficiency;

8) Cost is reasonable. See research on demand.

Figure 1. Summary of NET methods



- Since we are dealing with tonnes we might not need the oceanic one.

↳ May eliminate some mineral solvents?

02/06/2023 - Client Meeting (Mon)

Ms. Dao → Brototi (caller): Graduated from UFT, Business

- 1.5 years at Emerson, experience with ESG

- Senior associate for investment planning → drive growth = corporate strategy.

1. City X: Vague intentionally → to define City X as social.

↳ Similar to Toronto, similar demographics, large metropolitan area

2. Type of energy system generation used: mostly fossil fuel with some natural gas, firewood.

3. Type of buildings: houses or buildings: fed fire to do any debris air etc. → whatever drives the most impact. → impact not energy the most GHG?

4. Minimally cost of the project → Government ~~not~~ proposal.

5. Target to government and citizens → use sustainability initiatives.

7. How long the design will last → e.g. heat pumps, based on what it is, cannot be replaced every 5 years.

8. Flexibility: may not be able to change buildings, only if feasible

9. Use WRI as a base guideline → sustainability initiatives are based on this. → aggressive enough to achieve them.

→ moving off energy for renewability?

↳ lower power consumption?

Optimize - electrify?

↳ Energy source more renewable, to reduce GHG

Feasibility cost: Savings ~~that could result from efficiencies~~  
that result from efficient usage.

### 1. Assumption of Toronto

↳ Industries? Some of electricity, Energy companies, e.g. Peabody  
↳ Maybe do five largest cities in ~~Toronto~~ → Power by mainly  
fossil fuels

↳ Type of buildings → any type. City research: X

3. Research cost of government projects, construction projects

4. Government: Sustainability in cities

5. Maintenance: Should have a sustainable time?

6. Use existing infrastructure: focus on all cities, but include energy infrastructure

7. WRI → a list of guidelines

### Research

-WRI: Cities are large consumers of energy, make buildings more efficient,  
make buildings → allow for buildings to consume energy better,  
reduce energy requirements

Energy - Transport natural gas, industrial copper. Reduce offshoring  
→ make and derive → make greener products

↳ West with Hydro Quebec, power plants

-Must consider the number of Cu x

Michael → Household energy consumption, not necessarily industrial

→ 60% for heating

↳ production of portable power

↳ not produced very much

↳ intertides - salt

↳ other areas where you can

address notes for Bob - Maress : Eleni - Vancouver Kali - Calgary - Kelllyn - Taos  
 HVAC analysis for Michael - Ottawa obj. start to bring in the notes  
 be ready

02/08 (Wednesday) - Tutorial Prep for Project Requirements (14:00-16:00)

The following summarizes all research completed as of Feb 08  
 11:00-12:00 and includes items of consideration for all categories

### Introduction (Bob completed research on Emerson)

→ Project is in focus on reducing GHG emissions to meet the total drop of 7.6% / yr from 2020-2030

- Emerson specializes in developing HVAC technologies, natural gas pipelines, and industrial compressors.

- Focus on reducing GHG emissions from homes and buildings

### Problem Statement

#### \* Scope:

- Client wants to reduce GHG emissions from space and water heating & current HVAC systems rely on natural gas
- More research needed
- Wants to increase efficiency, electricity, zero-C tech.
- Users of the design: residential, ~~commercial~~, possibly scale to commercial? Client is not the end user.

↳ Focus on retrofitting, also adaptable to new builds

This doesn't correlate to client statement. I - Method of electricity generation is primarily through fossil fuels?

### Service Environment

#### Use WRI

electricity?

If the case

heat is not the main emitter

- Solution should be generally adaptable to any city
- Take five major cities for example. (Quebec, Montreal, Toronto, ~~Vancouver~~ Ottawa, Calgary, Vancouver).
- Explain source of energy generation: electricity
- ↳ Temperature, ~~and~~ precipitation, wind speed.

- Living things in service environment: Perhaps may consider possible imports of fossil fuels, jobs from not doing fossil fuels, or combustion of them? (in part - (in part) 2015)

Virtual Environment → Indicate network of energy, electricity access.

\* Provide a range and indicate common characteristics \*

### Identification of Stakeholders - BE SPECIFIC.

- Energy and Waste Management Office (Municipal Government)

- In charge of regulating utility companies, billings etc.

- Utility Company - Provides the service, sometimes services may be a shared commodity

- Electricity Company (over regulatory bodies) for ex. → Sustainability Regulators.

### Functions → Functional Decomposition:

Reduce GHG emissions from houses to the atmosphere

and improve quality in homes and buildings

Conserve heat/energy. Maintain constant

- If less heat is lost, then this means less natural gas/ electricity input.

Capture and store GHG?

- Usually over houses, heating systems need to maintain certain temperature

Generate and store electricity

- Altern

fuel fuel

- Prevent leakages from

plumbing and building materials

(wood, metal, plastic, glass, etc.)

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## Objectives

\* HVAC should be main competitor, not people use now

- Research HVAC systems. Design should be able to meet these heating objectives
- ~~Emissions existing env~~ Research recommended emissions. Should be that level. Constraint is existing level.
- Cost: Research existing conservation solutions?

## Bar Constraints

- Cost: Project cannot exceed (Research a number); utility cost should not exceed [certain number]
- Should not omit more than current solution.
- Longevity of the design?
- Rate at which a temperature can be reached?

## 02/08 Tutorial

→ Gantt Chart: Submit .mpg file

→ Figure out how to incorporate subtasks.

Determine gap, need, scope: Research in ~~problem~~ heating in Problem Statement.

Scope: Focus on a ~~single~~ new building; (need to be considered)

- Commercial and Residential condominiums ~~Heating?~~
- Purpose: Can focus on office and residential

Gap: There is no 'green' source of heating → Conventional HVAC systems  
(\* need research) use natural gas.

Need: To reduce GHG emissions

Service Environment: (Locally based at Toronto) & Research first = building zones height restrictions

↳ Temperature ranges, seasons, Precipitation, sun, - and wind?

- Electricity generation methods - Air quality - Utilities

- Natural forces, e.g. elevation, bodies of water, etc.

↳ Living things? - Houseplants, people around the building? Population density

↳ External Environs → Power grid, electricity generation?

- Energy → How many people it serves

Stakeholders → Michael

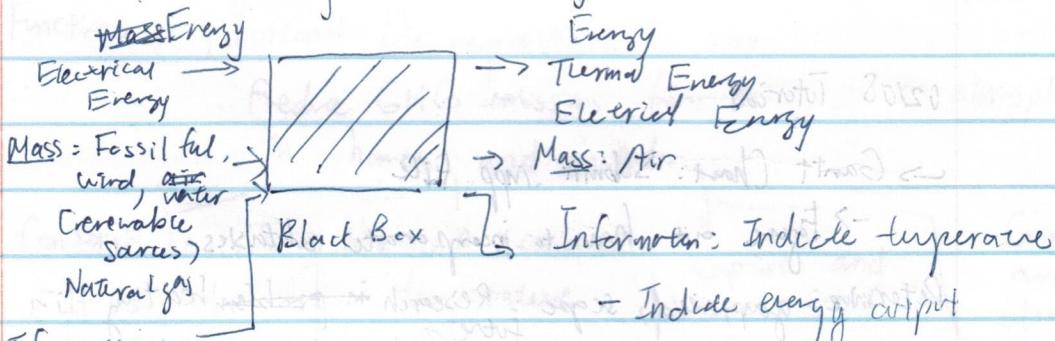
- Housing commissioners - Residence Committee - Rotating Committees

- Business Bureau - Utility Companies

### Functions

Focus on heating:

Primary function Reducing G+G



Information:

- indicate temperature

- how much energy is needed

- what the external

weather is

Secondary Functions: Transport / Circulate air?

- Conserving heat / electricity

- Maintaining constant temperature

## Objectives

- If looking at HVAC, can research heating objectives
- Cost savings of adding insulation to building envelope
- Sustainability

## Constraints

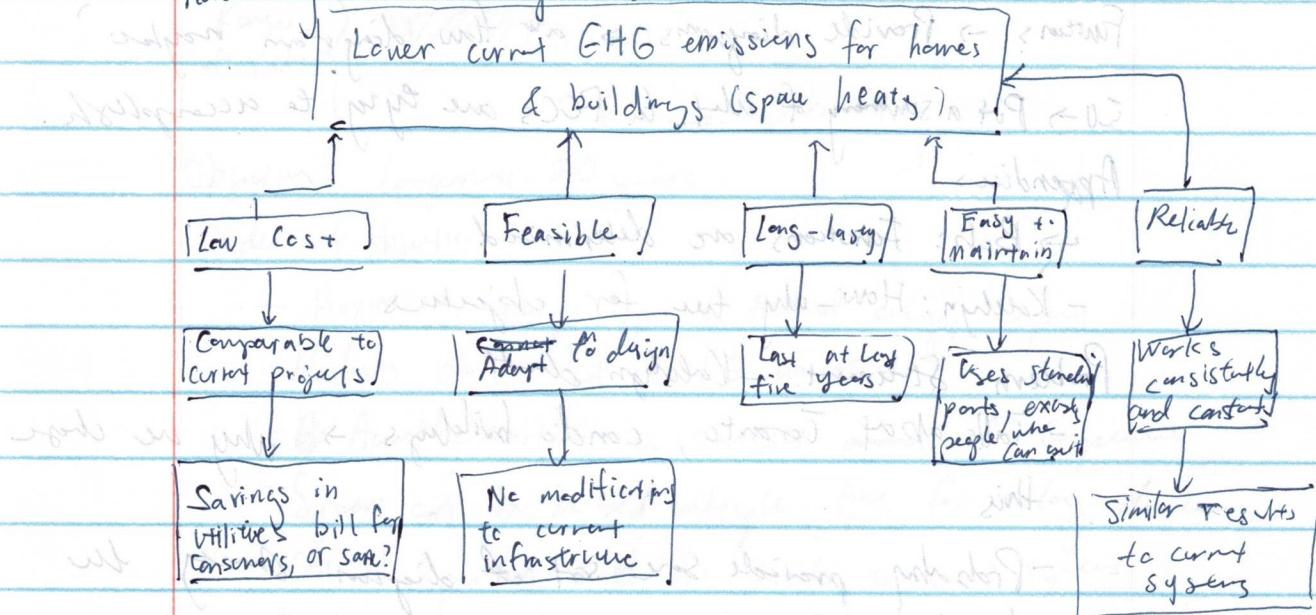
- Safety concerns - Should not emit more than certain levels.
- Construction cost? - Longevity of materials

Ellen - Status Report: Day in Advance → Work on Service Environment Meeting Tuesday 2:00p - 3:00p

Father Bob - Functions Michael - Stakeholder

Katelyn + Keli: Work together, but Keli (Objectives) Katelyn (Constraints)

## How-why tree for Objectives



02/14 Meeting (Tues)

Service Environment - Plants (chase plots) - People, may be affected

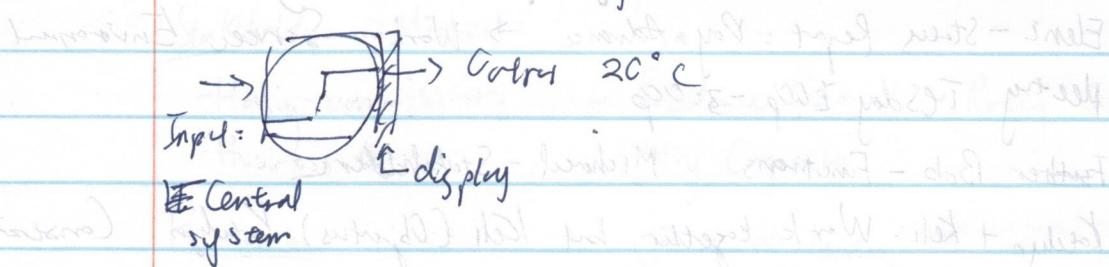
↳ Provide diagrams for back up generator by hydropower

- Solar, wind maps the building

- Map of generators, grid in Toronto.

Stakeholders - Con do Toronto, specific stakeholders for Toronto

- National Energy Board, etc.



Functions. → Provide diagrams → air flow diagram maybe?

SO → Put a summary of what the FOCs are trying to accomplish.

Appendix

→ Bob: Functions are determined

- Kaitlyn: How - why true for objectives

Problem Statement - Kaitlyn draft

- Talk about Toronto, condo buildings → why we chose this

- Probably provide some sort of diagram showing the distribution of condos?

→ Can go for all types commercial wks,

02/15 Tutorial 4.00p - 6.00p (Wed)

### PR Tips and Tricks

#### Executive Summary

- Who is the audience? - Need to know info?

- How do you write concisely and clearly?

Service environment - Make sure it is a project - Segre -> address it is a specific place.

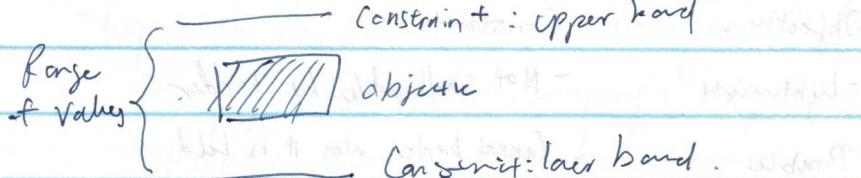
Stakeholders - Impact, involved, affect on them - Client and users are most

Objectives → Objective, metric, goal.

~~Object~~ Constraint → Constraint, limit, metric.

General Reminders: Cannot use screenshots of tables and captions.

Due date: 11:59p, Fri, Feb 17



Objectives: Longevity: 20 years.

#### Order of objectives

- Maximizes energy input to thermal energy output.

- Reduces amount of GHG emitted.

- Accurately maintains a constant amount of temperature

- System can be used multiple times for a long duration.

- Cost of operation should be similar to conventional

- Maintain current air circulation levels

- Can detect expensive changes and operate automatically

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- Under each category → indicate what happened → use a verb

- Gantt chart - add more dependencies

Schedule - include a milestone → (due date)

Schedule → includes internal submissions

↳ Show ← depends - Client Meeting dependent on PR

Next Status Report: Michael

Mar 10. → Friday 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

## 02/28 (Tuesday Lecture) - Reverse Engineering Activity

1. Define the Product: BIC Mechanical Pencil

Purpose: To allow the user to write

Objectives: ~~functional Constraints~~

- lightweight      - Not swallowable by toddler

- Durable      - Cannot break when it is bent

- Long-lasting

- Ergonomic

- Safe to use

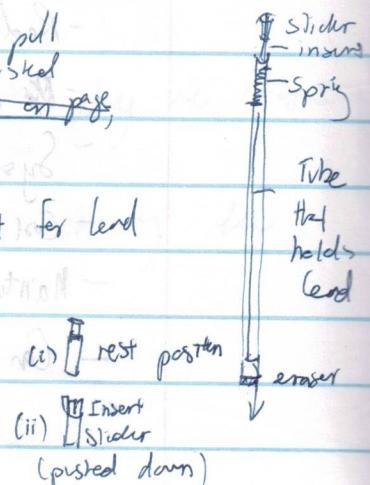
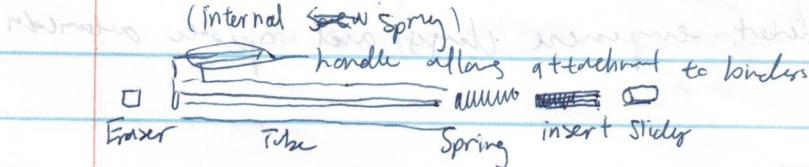
2. Observations:

- Cap has no screw, must twist and pull  
- There is a spring that pushes down when <sup>top is pushed</sup> pencil is put on page

- There is a thin hole on the cap to put the lead

- Slider sits on top of body of pen, can open inset for lead

- Uses 0.7 mm lead



## 03/01 Tutorial

## Status Report &amp; Gantt Chart

- Add tasks for the CDS and Design Gathering.
- Define time under control.

## Client Meeting #2 - Presenting the PR.

- What expectations are, what are we working on,
- Get expectations from client.
- Purpose of the PR: Convince the client you can do the job.
  - Request for quote: What is the final cost?
  - Does the client change the scope?
  - Usually a contractual agreement.
- Purpose of the DRG: Convince managers of the company that the project is under company's expertise.
- Resource management & subcontractors.
- Team can do it, resources available, we have the money to do it.
- Purpose of the CDS: We have the solution, including ideas and priorities for what is required.

## PR Objectives

Executive Summary - Note what Emerson does, City X in executive summary; for the purposes of this project, scope to Toronto  
 Problem Statement - clarify heat exchangers  
 → Optimization of process

## Service Environment

→ Describe unique aspects of high rise buildings

- May use a table of elements

- Temperature and humidity - e.g. ranges

- Visual - security systems, etc.

Stakeholders - concierge, maintenance personnel, architects, concierge  
 - Anyone in the building is a stakeholder  
 - Use Tenants, Guests

Functions - use regulate instead of control

Objectives and Constraints - explain rationale is in Appendix

→ Do not use exact language

- Modify headers of constraint and notices

Conclusion - Say what we did.

Michael - Stakeholders Eleni + Bob - Service Environments

Keli - Intro, Conclusion, Objectives, Constraints Kathryn - Exec Summary  
 and Problem

Bob - Status Report

## 03/08 Tutorial (Wednesday)

### PRG Criteria

→ Include a central claim: what are you trying to convince the audience?

- Use course-specific terminology

- Purpose: - Show evidence at where we are
  - What we are going to do next.
  - Some audience has no knowledge of project.
- What does the chart want? What did we determine the need to be? What did we say it <sup>to</sup> be?
- Stage of the design process: idea generation.
  - ↳ Include a critique list of ideas.
- Follow the advice
  - ↳ Service environment matters a lot. → Panel pieces of what the service environment is.
- Name on top right corner, slide numbers on bottom.
- Assertion - evidence found for each slide
  - ↳ Stated in headers Use visuals.
- Include reference list at end of presentation.

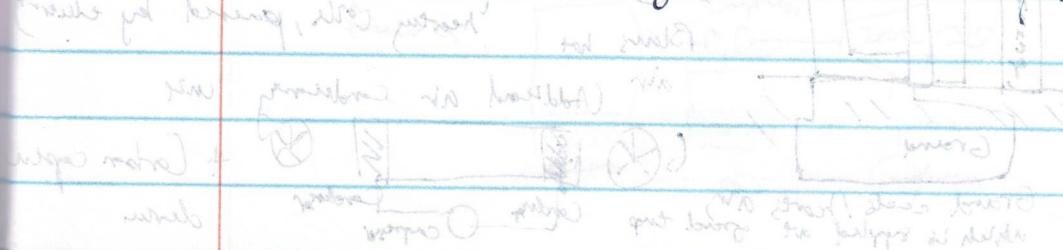
PRG Planning: Purpose - To convince the audience that we are on track.

Main claim  $\Rightarrow$  Evidence, therefore the presentation is about.

$\rightarrow$  About the Design Process, do not include

+ what lies in Gantt Chart then write forward

$\rightarrow$  Establish why we care about the problem



## Client Meeting 2 - Notes

## Problem Statement comments / Executive Summary

- Emerson does not specialize in CCS, Ms. Das will send to us.

- Scope of this project: high rises vs flats, why now? Hard to modify buildings

## Service Environment Comments: no comments

## Stakeholder Comments: (8 in terms of Toronto)

- Question: In terms of City X or Toronto? We can focus on Toronto since it is specific for government regulations

- ↳ Are residents stakeholders? No, because they are a user

- Function comments: Capture and dissipate waste products → may not be relevant; focus on reducing emissions or capture energy.

## Objectives and Constraints: No constraints

- Prioritizing objectives: 1. Sustainability → Problem Statement; why Emerson, not us, 2. Feasibility, 3. Performance

## Considerations: Impact on GHG emissions?

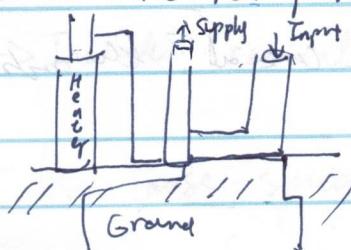
## Mar 12, 2023 - Individual Idea Generation

- Measures of success - CFD simulations (e.g. Autodesk, Ansys Fluent,

- (and others like Simscale) - Model HVAC system and track emissions

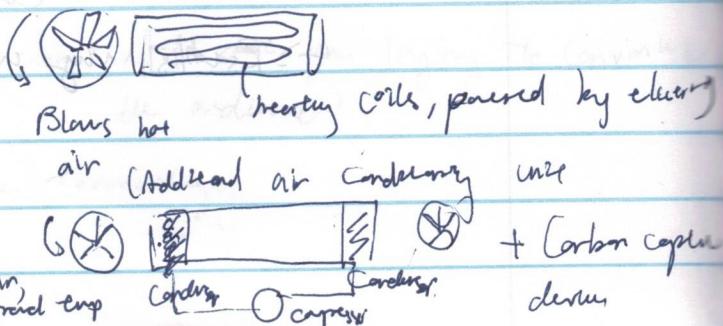
## HVAC alternative benchmarks

- Ground source heat pump



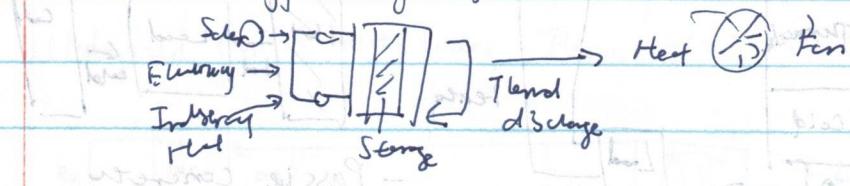
Ground cools/heats air, which is supplied at ground temp

- Electric coil boiler + Fan

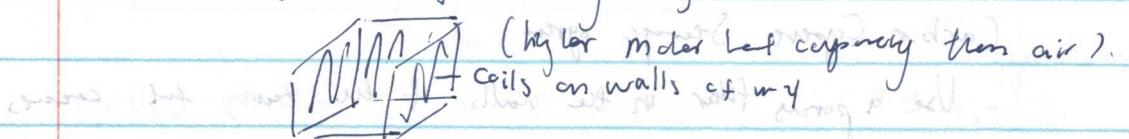


- Solar panels & Wind pressurized water tank (ambient)

- Thermal energy storage system (SUTfer TES). (Prof. Rieder E. Wenz)



- Coils filled with water  $\rightarrow$  connected to hot air coils circled by electricity, passing through the walls of the water

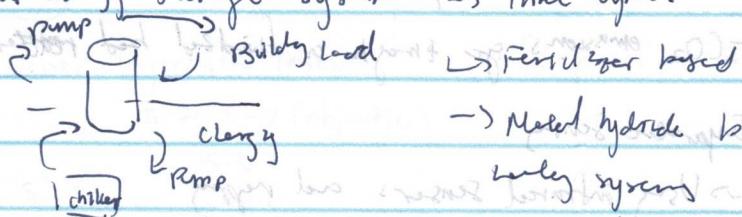


- Thermal energy storage plant (consists of biomass since)

- Pumped storage hydroelectric power: (mechanical energy)  $\rightarrow$  converts to electrical energy



- Thermochemic energy storage system  $\rightarrow$  Three types:

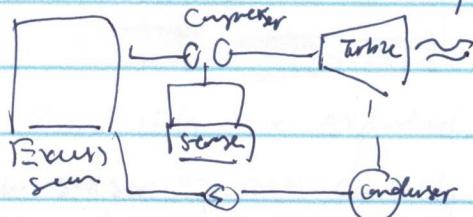


$\rightarrow$  Metal hydride based cooling and heating systems

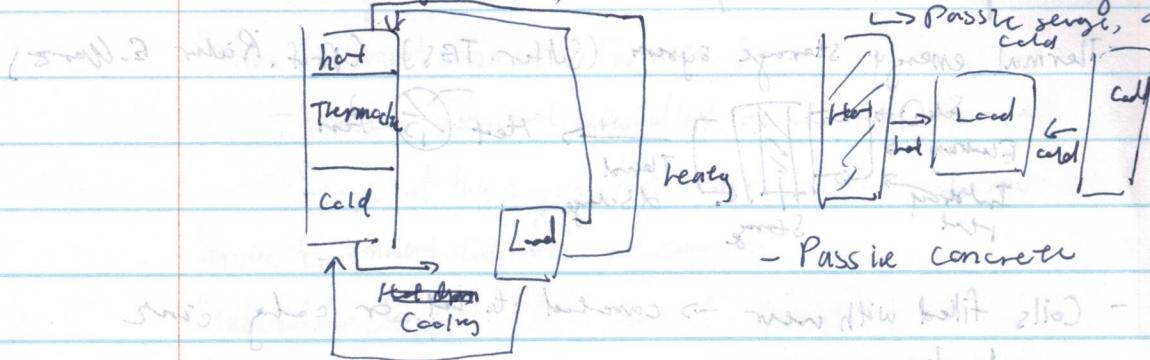
- Salt hydride

- Store heat using large slabs of brick, concrete, etc.

$\hookrightarrow$  Steam accumulation  $\rightarrow$  use excess steam captured from industrial factories



Thermocouples (eg. chrome) in heating but w/ ~~Passive~~ <sup>Passive</sup> sense system



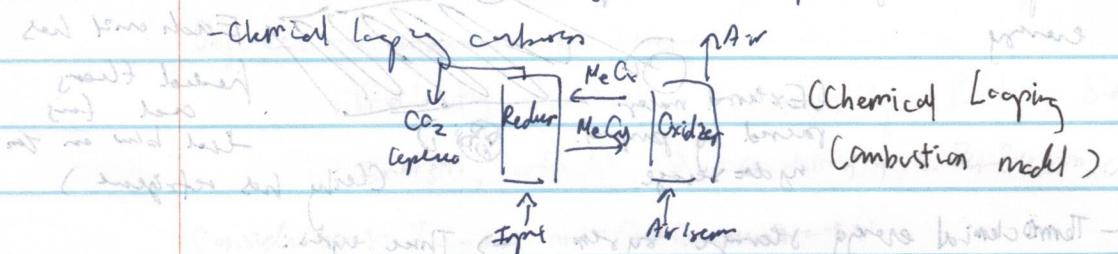
- Passive concrete

using phase change materials at bottoms of new heat exchangers  
- need to allow for different phases (porous) not heavy

### Carbon Capture Storage systems

- Use a porous filter in the walls of the many heat exchangers

$\text{CO}_2$  turned liquid, store in a tank  
heat exchangers - <sup>climbing</sup> <sup>storing</sup> <sup>phase</sup> <sup>CO}\_2</sup> <sup>emissions</sup>



-  $\text{CO}_2$  emissions go through a fluidized bed reactor

### Temperature Sensors

→ Using infrared sensors and mapping

→ Using a sonar sensor to sense liquid reservoir but can't work  
- expensive

→ RTD → Temperature causes resistance to vary. Can use

Analog to read values

→ Thermistor IC



03/20 - Meeting with Bob & Eleni - Graduate Project

Measures of Success → Finished

Idea Generation - Bob & Eleni had Ideas

↳ Generate appendix, finalize the sections - Feasibility of the new business idea - Motivation

HT + TIVET - Graphical Decision Chart:

- Pugh Chart for first

Alternative Design Descriptions

HT -> Draw Design 3: Facelift + Update

Draw Designs 1 + 2 + Write Descriptions - Michael

Pugh Method - Set Eleni's schedule by Wednesday

Section 6 - Bob

Motivation, Graphical Decision Chart

→ x-axis: Gt6 emissions, y-axis

y-axis: Maintaining constant expenses.

Section 7 - Start on Wednesday based on Eleni's Pugh Chart → Bob can start working on it.

Executive Summary - Thursday after ECER

Page 8: Three alternative design sections

→ Create a table for each idea and we just say how the design fits each objective.

Brooklands  
London

→ no minimum packaging and A73 and 0 time

wt. limit 100 - palletized storage solution

usage 3000 ft<sup>2</sup> to 4000

03/22 Meeting

## Alternative Design

→ Categories for comparison: The Primary objective

Objective	Design Category
Sustainability	
Performance	
Feasibility	

(Discussed with Michael)

DRG Feedback (Given by BM)

→ Main Claim → Achievable.

- Claim 1: What is the outcome.

↳ Start with most relevant info.

↳ Quality over quantity of slides

- What's the cost? Consider energy cost.

↳ Energy in gas vs. energy in supply air?

↳ What is the environmental impact?

Measures of success:

Sensing may not be an important objective

↳ Test Thermal comfort (ASHRAE SS)

↳ Efficiency

- Model unit with Ansys? Benchmark model with Ansys  
(CFD)

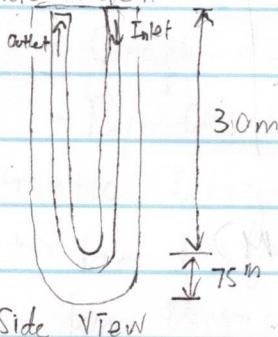
# Alternative Measures of Success : Parametric Study of Vertical

Ground Loop Heat Exchangers for GSHP Systems

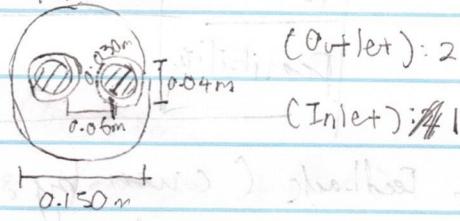
(Abdelrahman S. Ramadan), UNO

- CFD modelling procedure based on Wang and Qin's study (IEE)

Borehole model



Top View



Efficiency calculations:

$$\text{COP}_{\text{heating}} = \frac{Q_c + W}{W} \leftarrow W \text{ is amount of heat needed to power the system}$$

$$\text{COP}_{\text{cooling}} = \frac{Q_c}{W} - Q_c \text{ is heat transfer}$$

Q<sub>c</sub> = Q<sub>fluid/gas</sub> + Q<sub>ground/fluid</sub>

$$Q_{\text{fluid/gas}} = T_g - T_{f,i} \quad T_g = \text{temperature of ground wall}$$

$$R_g + R_p + R_f \quad T_f = \text{Temperature of fluid in pipe}$$

W = R<sub>g</sub> + R<sub>p</sub> + R<sub>f</sub>  $R_g$  = conductive thermal resistance of ground

(22. 3A3H2A)  $R_p$  = conductive + thermal resistance of pipe

$$Q_{\text{ground/fluid}} = T_g - T_{f,i}$$

W = R<sub>g</sub> + R<sub>p</sub> + R<sub>f</sub>  $R_g$  = conductive thermal resistance of ground  $R_p$  = conductiv + thermal resistance of pipe

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$$R_f = \frac{L}{2\pi h r_{in}} \quad R_p = \frac{\ln(r_{out}/r_{in})}{2\pi k}$$

$h$  - heat transfer coefficient of fluid

$r_{in}$  - inner radius of pipe (0.030m)     $r_{out}$  - outer radius (0.040m)

$k$  - thermal conductivity of pipe material

↳ Type of pipe material and fluid will be determined  
later (after CPS submission)

Thermal comfort model

↳ Research apartment unit, create a model with  
circulation model. (Ansys Fluent)

Role Assignments:

Katelyn - Alternative Design no.3

Keli - Alternative Design no.2

Elani - Alternative Design no.1

Bob - Idea Generation ~~Write-up~~ Write-up

Nichael - Alternative Design Descriptions

### 03/23 - Individual Session

~~Final~~ Three Final Alternative Designs.

1. Geothermal Heat Pump + Thermostat

↳ Pipe containing refrigerant is buried underground

- Since the ground has a smaller heat transfer coefficient than air, it remains warmer than

Air in winter and cooler than air in summer

- Refrigerant adjusts to pipe temperature,  
circulates back to the unit

- Heat is distributed through the circuit via a radiator

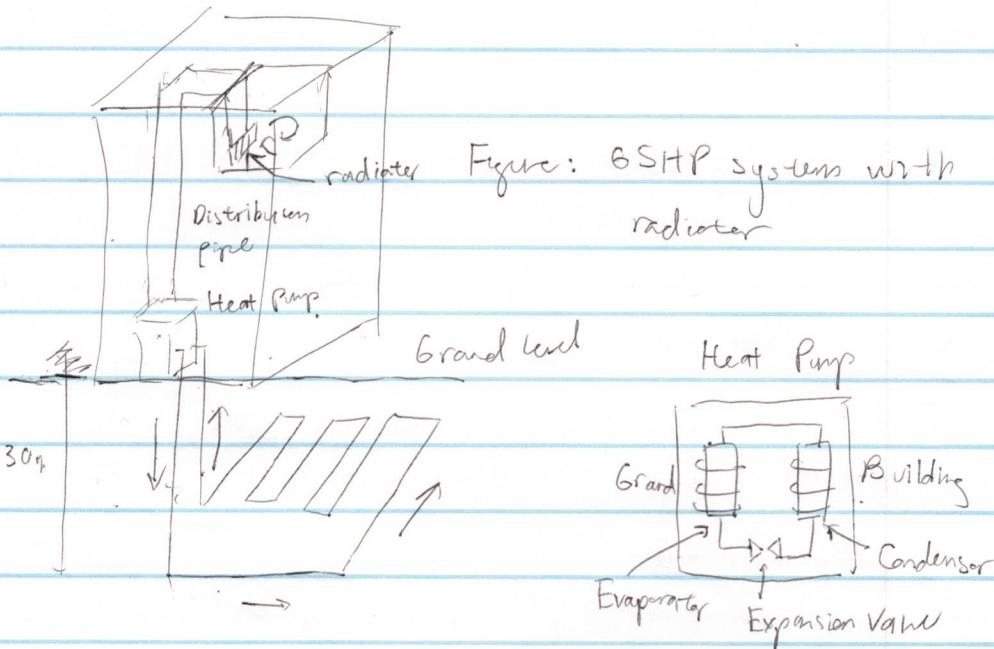
↳ Benefits: Highly efficient, no GHG emissions

- Already implemented in Toronto City Dot 1  
geothermal project

- low cost of operation (estimated \$0.75/hr)

- Disadvantages: Requiring large changes in infrastructure

- More expensive upfront cost than other solutions



## 2. Steam Accumulator + RTD Circuit

↳ Steam accumulator is a type of thermal storage system. It releases steam when needed to increase the temperature of the surroundings.

↳ RTD circuit (resistance temperature detector) → changes resistance based on temperature sensed.

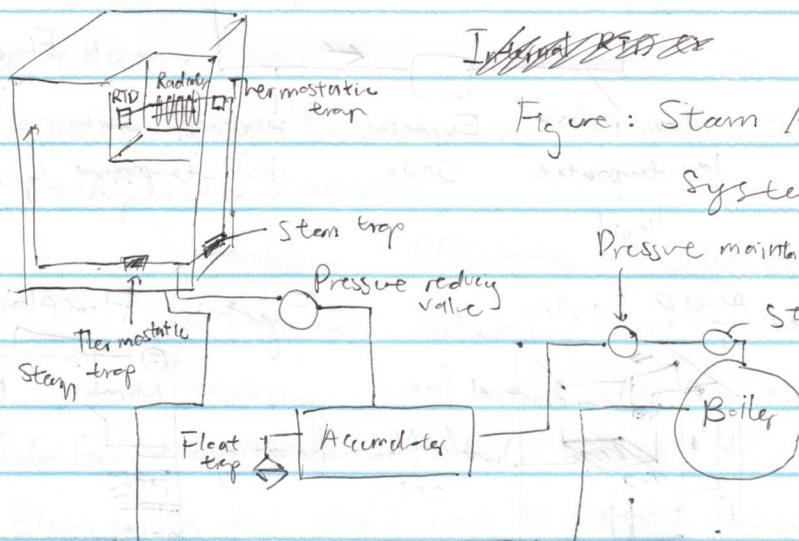
This can easily be read by the Raspberry Pi or Arduino to capture temperature in the unit.

↳ Benefits: - Can use excess waste or steam from industrial processes, therefore reducing overall emissions

- Long lifespan ( $\sim 40$  years)

- Disadvantages: Generally used in industrial appliances

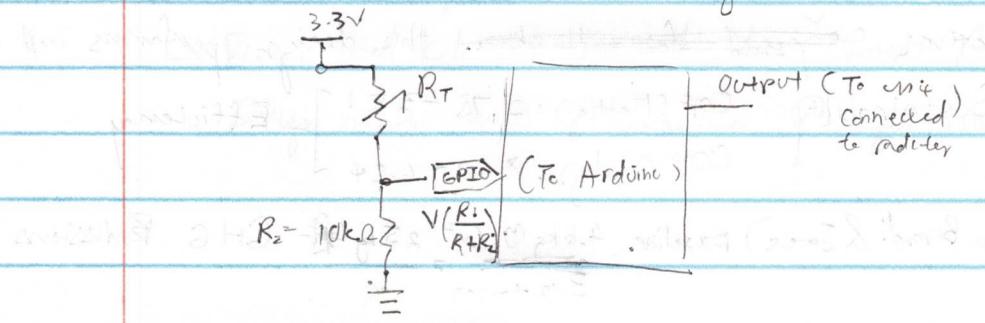
- Cooling is difficult to implement.



~~Industrial Boiler~~

Figure: Steam Accumulator System

RTD Circuit Schematic (A Voltage Divider Circuit)



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### 3. Air Source Heat Pump + Infrared Sensors

→ Air Source Heat Pump (ASHP) works similarly to a GSHP

but If it is colder <sup>inside</sup> than <sup>outside</sup>, refrigerant is evaporated by outside air and transferred inside.

If it is warmer inside than outside, it is possible to reverse the direction of the circuit for cooling

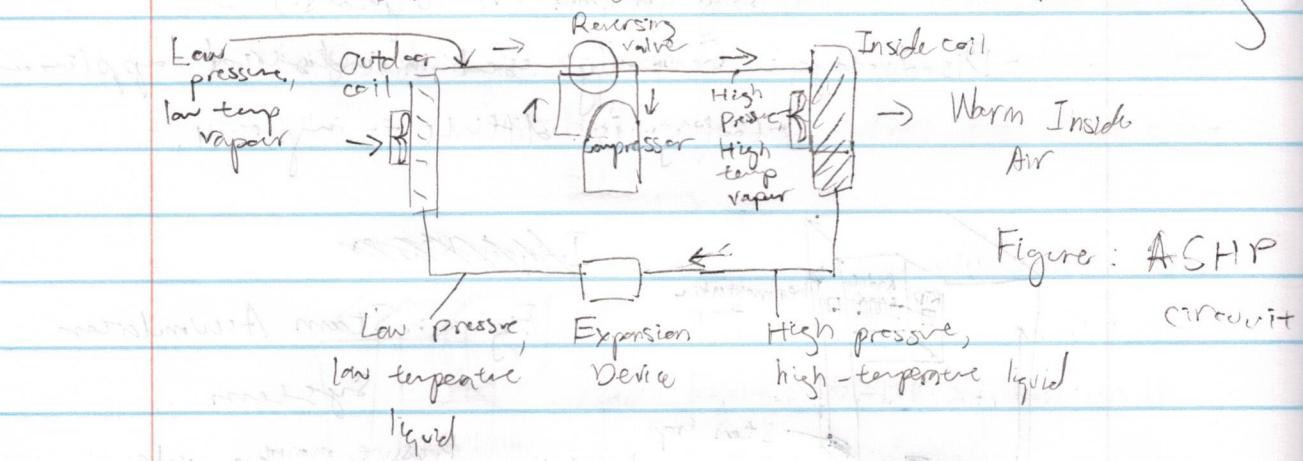


Figure: ASHP circuit

Figure: ASHP System

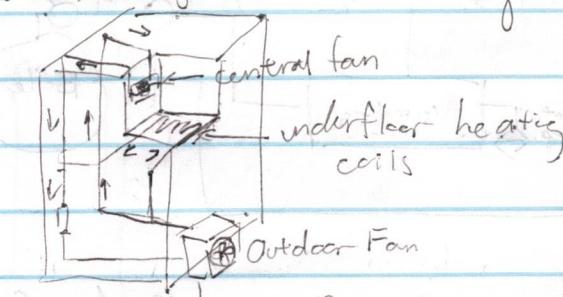
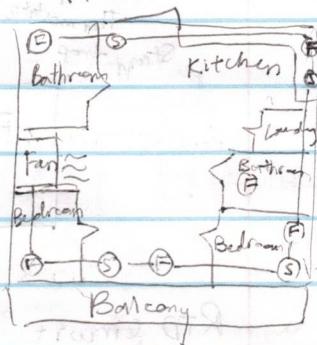


Figure: Floor plan of unit



Objectives ~~copied for all~~ this design performs well in:

Sustainability COP (Heating): 2.78 - 3.81 Efficiency

COP (Cooling): 3.60 - 4.84

(From Berardi & Jones) Baseline  $\frac{4.5 \text{ kg CO}_2/\text{m}^2}{3.12 \text{ tonnes}} = \frac{2.5 \text{ kg CO}_2}{1.625 \text{ tonnes}} = 1.57 \text{ GtG Emissions}$

$$\approx 1.625 \text{ tonnes}$$

Performance: -40°C - 80°C effective temp range  
 20-25 years life expectancy  
 +/- 1.25% tolerance for error (sensing accuracy)

Feasibility: Cost of Operation Calculations

- 60000 BTU system; SEER rating at 14

- 4286W of power consumption in warm weather

7500W in cold weather → Average: \$8.93/kWh

Assuming 15.1¢/hr cost of electricity, cost of operation is \$0.89/hr

### 03/24 Meeting

Alternative Design Descriptions (discussed with Michael)

↳ Objectives discussed:

Sustainability: - Efficiency - GHG Emissions

Performance: Indoor Temp, Life Expectancy, Air Circulation, Sensing

Feasibility: Maintenance, Cost of Operation

- Indoor Generation section finished.

- Elena says she'll work on executive summary on Saturday

- Submission aim for Sunday at 3:00pm (Bob will submit)

(Keli was not present at meeting)

↳ Elena and Keli still need to finish Alternative Design no. 3 and Alternative Design no. 2.

(noted for Friday March 5th at next meeting)

## 03/24 Tutorial - CDS Draft

- Edit CDS until Friday, March 31 and send to Ron for approval

↳ Discuss potential client meeting freq on Friday, see progress with CDS

- Comments from the ~~exec~~ TA: PR-Service environment needs edits

Executive Summary - Tailor more to the CDS than the PR

Intro & Conclusion - need to go more in depth

Alternative Ideas/Prescriptions

↳ Make drawing style/medium consistent for all drawings

= Compare some objectives for all drawings. If objectives cannot be found, put qualitative values

- Pugh Chart should be included in the sections rather than the Appendix

- How does桑吉和HVAC system integrate together?

Role assignments (to be completed by Friday, Mar. 31) 11:00am - 12:00pm

- Keli: fix drawings for alternative designs

- Elvi: fix service environment

- Michael: Stakeholder references, Sections 6.3.1 and 7.0

- Kolachyn: Section 6.3.3 + Executive Summary

- Bob: Section 6.3.2 (least amount of detail)

### 03/31 - Merry

- Only Keeley worked on file edits. Everyone else was working on APS105 prototypes board.
- Keli wasn't present at this meeting.
- Decided hard deadline on Monday, Apr. 03.

↳ Discuss edits from 11:00a - 12:00p on 04/03,

Submit to Rm by 12:00p.

- Proposed start meeting dates (Keli got email early for approval by Apr. 03 and 12:00p).

1) Thurs 04/06 11:00a - 12:00p

2) Wed 04/05 4:00p - 5:00p

3) Tues 04/11 12:00p - 1:00p

### 04/03 - Merry

- Edits were completed on time. Submitted for approval.

- Two Measures of Success Team:

Borehole ; Apartment

- Keeley & Elen; | - Bob, Michael, Keli;

- Everyone will download Ansys and try to learn the software

### 04/04 - Individual Research (Borehole Piping)

(Romanian Study)

$$r_{in} = 15\text{mm} \quad (\text{inner radius of inlet/outlet})$$

$$r_{out} = 20\text{mm} \quad (\text{outer radius of inlet/outlet})$$

Borehole depth: 30m

Borehole diameter: 0.150m

Input/Outlet spacing: 60mm

Thermal Conductivity of pipe: 0.4 W/mK (HDPE)

Thermal conductivity of grout: 1.7 W/mK (Bentonite)

Inlet velocity: 0.591 m/s

(Refrigerant data for R410A)

Specific heat capacity: 1840 J/kg·K

(Soil temperature from geothermal heat map) = 10 °C

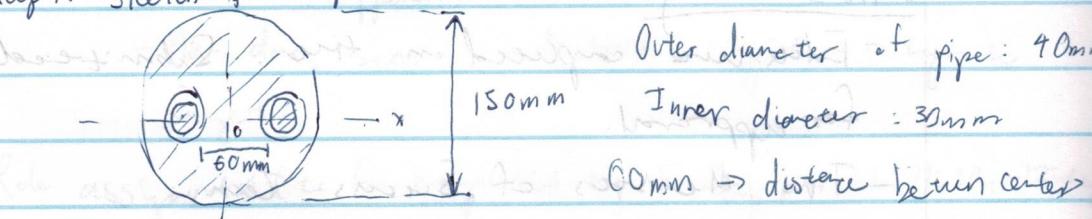
→ Note this is value for Ottawa, can't find Toronto

- These are parameters for the model.

- Hard erable downhole arrays. May use Autodesk instead

### 04105 Autodesk Fusion 360 Model

#### Step 1: Sketch Top View

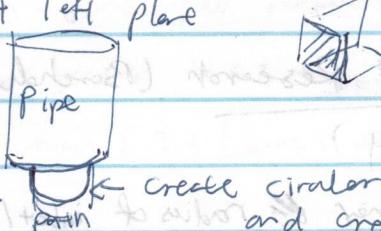


→ Extrude: 300mm → fine mesh size

→ If 300mm can't generate realistic mesh (not fine enough)

→ Extrude inner pipes and outer face (Shaded)

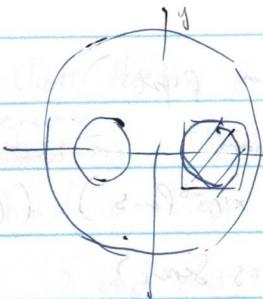
#### Step 2: Select left plane



create circular arc path  
and create circles

cross-section to trace U-bead

use steps instead



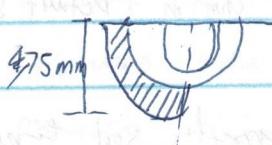
- create circular cross-section  
along plane.

- sweep a leg path to create U-shape

Step 3: Select ~~left~~ face to create sketch ( $x-z$  plane)  
- Draw centroidal axis of revolution



On some place, draw cross-sectional arc



\* Teach Eli Step 4: Mesh generation

how to mesh

- Tessellate entire body

- Increase mesh density toward inlet/outlet  
and as it goes more into the ground

#### 04/09 CFD Model Parameters

(Materials) Bentonite (Grent)  $\rightarrow R_{i,m}$

Thermal Conductivity - Weston Study (1.7 W/mK).

Density - CARL ROTH MSDS (2.5 g/m<sup>3</sup>)

Specific Heat Capacity - International Atomic Energy Agency  
(0.96 - 1.05 J/g.K set to 1.0)

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R-410A Refrigerant (Inside refrigeration pipes)

Critical Density:  $488.9 \text{ kg/m}^3$  (Clemens)

Viscosity:  $0.13 \text{ cP}$  (estimated  $130 \times 10^{-6} \text{ Pa.s}$ ) (Clemens)

Conductivity:  $0.086 \text{ W/m.K}$  (Gas Seite)

Specific heat:  $1010 \text{ J/g.K}$  ( $1840 \text{ J/g.K}$ ) (Gas Seite)

HPDE (High Density Polyethylene) Outer pipe material (Supplier: SolsTech)

Thermal Conductivity:  $0.48 \text{ W/m.K}$

Density:  $950 \text{ kg/m}^3$

M.W.:  $100$ , Pray Specific heat capacity:  $2.25 \text{ J/g.F}$  (Melting behavior and thermal properties)

Electrical resistivity:  $10^3 \rightarrow 10^6 \text{ Ohm.m}$  (Default setting  $1.65 \text{ e}+13$  is ok)

Inlet

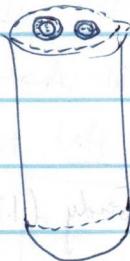
Initial Conditions: Based on surrounding soil temperature, it is  $10^\circ\text{C}$ .

Apply on whole body

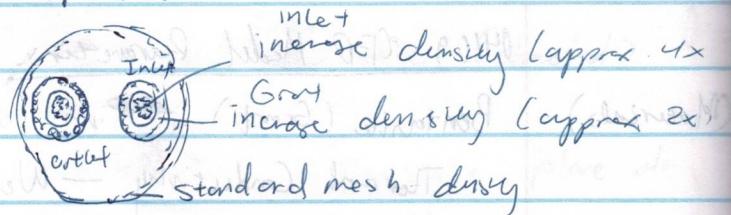
Inlet Velocity:  $0.4 \text{ m/s}$  and inlet temperature ( $50^\circ\text{C}$ ) [IEEE Study]

- Mesh: Automatically generated

$\hookrightarrow$  outlet:  $\ominus$  Pas Pressure



Top View



Simulation conditions: Simulation successful

- Flow + Heat Transfer

- 150 iterations

04/11 - Client Meeting #3

~~Idea Generation~~ - No commits, elaborated on the process.

→ Elon had problems (technical issues), so we talked about design 2 and design 3 first.

~~Idea Selection~~ - Pugh Chart

- ↳ ideas ~~have~~ ~~are~~ ~~not~~ ~~any~~ no concerns

- Formatting: ~~order~~ better parallel sentence: are above

pleases of Swiss - looks good according to client. Likes our designs.

### Internal Meeting

Michael - done the floorplan, waiting for Bob to run simulation.

Michael & Kordyn - doing files.

Fans of predators → idea selection + MoS.

Claim 1 ↑                      Claim 3 + 4 ↓

↳ Comparisons with what we have, existing ground projects

### Individual Planning - Final Presentation

Thesis: The GSHP + thermostat design is the best solution to reduce GHG emissions through increasing efficiency and ~~not using fossil fuel~~ using alternative heating sources

Claim #1: Refer to ~~idea gen~~ Reliance on heat transfer via conduction

↳ Refer to idea generation Convection (not combustion of fossil fuel),

process: What functions have been determined?

↳ Heat pump is the best because it is controllable (unlike storage units) and can be used in different environments.

Claim #2: Comparison of three designs, we have determined

~~GSHP is the best~~

→ Refer to Pugh method: ~~How does GSHP~~  
→ How does GSHP perform  
vs. the other designs?

- list advantages/disadvantages of each design
- list important objectives, how it performs well

→ Claim 3: Why GSHP meets the client's requirements (focus on meeting objectives):

→ How does it meet client requirements?

→ Why is GSHP the best?

→ Other PR considerations such as Service

Time & Environment, etc.

Claims 3 & 4 are M+S → These are the tests we created of previous

Claim #5: GSHP is highly efficient compared to unit system

→ Use Banchile model and we can see that the  
heating COP and cooling COP meets the Energy  
requirements.

Claim #4: GSHP system + thermostat can combine to create  
centralized thermal comfort systems

→ Meets key requirements of ASHRAE 85

→ Air circulation rate objective.

Prescotlon Breakdown:

Intro + Context +	<del>2 min</del> 2.5 mins
Claim 1	1.5 mins
Claim 2	<del>2 mins</del> 2.5 mins
Claim 3	2 mins
Claim 4	2 mins
Conclusion	<del>1 min</del> 1 mins
(0.5 mins of buffer time?)	