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**SUBJECT:** FRANKLIN CITY HALL: LEED CHARETTE SESSION #1 MEETING NOTES  
**DATE:** NOVEMBER 13, 2020  
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### **LEED Charette Session #1 Summary**

This memorandum serves to provide the meeting notes from the November 10, 2020 LEED charette session. This session focused on the broader purpose of the project and sustainability goals, initial energy performance results, and generating ideas for energy conservation and water conservation measures to examine as the design process continues.

### **Project Purpose Concepts**

Participants provided insight into areas of broad project purpose that are critical for success. These key areas are summarized below:

- Flexibility in facility use and future growth potential
- Durable facility for long useful life
- Inviting for the public to use both interior building and site amenities
- Must be historically appropriate and connect with the heart of downtown Franklin
- Serve as a benchmark for sustainable development
- Educate public on meaningful sustainability measures

### **Sustainability Key Concepts**

Participants provided insight into areas of project sustainability that are critical for success. These items are summarized below:

- Focus on staff thermal comfort and higher level of system controllability
- Enhance natural lighting and views to outdoors
- Encourage connection to exterior environment (green roof, courtyards, etc.)
- Focus on maintainability of all building systems and materials
- Providing ventilation rates to support occupant health and building resiliency
- Re-use water in appropriate applications; reduce reliance on exterior utilities
- Educate public and demonstrate incorporated sustainable measures
- Avoid green washing; visible measures are good but meaningful is critical

### **Simple Block Model: Initial Results**

A discussion of local climate characteristics based on historical weather data and initial results from the simple block model were presented to the group. The simple block model shows substantial end-uses from interior lighting and cooling-related systems. Additionally, various envelope performance parameters were tested for window area, roofs, walls, windows, shading/solar control, and interior lighting power; the sensitivity of the building to these tested parameters was presented. Please see the attached presentation document for detail.

### **Energy Conservation Measure Discussion**

During the afternoon, participants discussed energy conservation measures in two groups. The first group focused on site, envelope, and passive systems; the second group focused on lighting/electrical, mechanical systems, and other active systems. The following summarizes the list of ideas that were generated across both groups. Note that similar ideas are grouped together below for brevity.

- Site conditions, massing, and orientation
  - Orientation is governed by site constraints
  - Utilize trees or other shading along street side such as colonnade
  - Continue to develop massing concepts with more detail: courtyards, setbacks, etc
  - Consolidate breakrooms by level instead of more breakrooms per department; dual purpose as gathering areas for employees
- Building envelope
  - Incorporate skylights, atriums, or courtyards to increase daylight & view potential
  - Tinted glass is not allowed (understood due to historic considerations)
  - Integrate shading devices as decorative precast, lintels, or required building setbacks via thickness of wall; set window to interior of opening
  - Examine green roof
  - Implement light shelves to increase daylight effectiveness
- Lighting
  - Daylighting is required by code; examine expanded use beyond code
  - Occupant/vacancy controls are mandatory under code; examine expanded use
  - LED luminaires likely basis for primary lighting; LED also work well with controls (e.g. daylight dimming)
- Mechanical systems
  - Operable windows and natural ventilation; requires careful integration with building systems to ensure security; further consideration required related to potential maintenance costs or issues
  - Air-side systems
  - Plant-side systems (can be combined with various air-side systems)
    - Ground source / "geothermal"
  - Implement dedicated outside air systems where appropriate
  - Consider waterside economizers where system permits
  - Natural gas likely used for emergency generator; consider heating systems with natural gas as alternative to electricity

## Water Conservation Measure Discussion

During the afternoon, the first group of participants also included water conservation measures in the discussion. The following summarizes the list of ideas that were generated. Note that similar ideas are grouped together below for brevity.

- Cistern for rain water capture
  - Northern quadrant location
- Reclaimed water line nearby
  - Costly to run a line through downtown
- Stormwater discharge to river
  - Green infrastructure - pervious paving
  - Green roof

## Miscellaneous Notes

Additional ideas and commentary were discussed related to broader project themes beyond water and energy conservation. These comments are summarized here but were also captured in the attached notes.

- General
  - Public needs to see a building that is both efficient and meets the intent of historic guidelines
  - Focus on proven technologies that have demonstrable effectiveness and reliability
  - Avoid systems that greatly increase maintenance cost or complexity
    - Ensure adequate area and access to maintain systems
  - Will new facility continue to use current MTECC rate schedule or fall under tariff with demand charge? Could natural gas heating avoid this in cost-effective way
- Site
  - Engagement of streetscape to be open and inviting
  - Complement with civic presence but do not compete with courthouse; utilize steps up to Public Square entrance as another gathering opportunity
  - Select vegetation on site beyond rain gardens
  - Develop deeper streetscape than 12' on Main Street, targeting 20'
- Envelope
  - Incorporate brickwork similar to 231 building with precast
  - Envelope thickness should look relevant
  - Provide outdoor opportunities via courtyards and/or on upper levels
  - Steel stud cavity wall with brick veneer and 6" composite floor slabs
- Lighting/Electrical
  - Utilize task lighting to increase individual control and reduce frequency of lighting related complaints
  - Consider how to integrate access control systems with IT
  - Identify areas/departments requiring emergency power backup
  - Surge protection for systems
- Mechanical systems

- Discussed centralized vs decentralized systems
  - Centralized tend to have better control and flexibility
- Good experience with current Trane VRF for reliability and customer service
- Good experience with existing ground source systems
  - Low maintenance costs: approx.. \$1,000 per year for water treatment
- Improve indoor air quality for occupant wellness
- Rooftop mounted equipment will need to be screened for visual and noise control; focus on systems that can be placed on ground level or have small roof footprint

### **Attachments**

- Original meeting agenda
- Presentation used during session
- Original notes from afternoon discussion sessions

# Optimized Design Solutions

## Energy Studio

### Integrated Design Charrette Agenda City of Franklin, City Hall

**Date:** November 10, 2020  
**Time:** 10:00 am-3:00 pm CST  
**Location:** Zoom Meeting

#### Objectives:

- Team understanding of the Integrative Design process and requirements.
- Establish charrette goals and anticipated outcomes.
- Identify tasks/action items and responsible parties.

#### 1. Welcome, Introductions, and Agenda (0:10 min., 10:00 am) – ODS/ES

- a. This is a time for everyone to get online and get to know one another.
- b. The team will introduce themselves (name and role in the project).

#### 2. Workshop Goals (0:10 min.) – ODS/ES

- a. Anticipated outcomes – we want to walk away from this charrette with aspirational performance goals. The goals can pertain to all aspects of the building: energy, emissions, water, site, materials, waste, IAQ, O&M, etc.
- b. Identify performance goals and definitions.
- c. Ground rules for the meeting to be successful.

#### 3. Project Overview (0:20 min.) – Owner and Project Manager

- a. During this time, the project leaders (Owner/Representative, Architect, etc.) will provide a brief overview of the project and project status. The leadership team should present an overview of the following items:
  - Project Description – A brief overview of project with drawings.
  - Project Status – What decisions have been made already and what work has been performed? What are the criteria and process for making sustainability related decisions?
  - Review of previously established overall project critical success factors and project vision statement.
  - Issues or Concerns – Are there any barriers or problems that affect the project?

- b. It is valuable that any plans (site plan, programming sketches, conceptual plans, etc.) that have already been created are brought to the charrette for discussion or reviewing during the meeting.

#### **4. Project Purpose (0:20 min.) – ODS/ES**

- a. What will make this project successful in the big picture? ODS/ES to lead group discussion. Each person takes 5 minutes to reflect on what will make this project successful and write them down. Focus on things like:
  - Why does this project matter in the big picture?
  - To whom does it, or will it, matter? Who will it impact?
  - What is the transformative potential of this project?
  - Building/energy performance.
  - User experience.
  - Maintenance, Operations and anticipated operational cost.
  - Education
- b. We will then synthesize and discuss as a group to identify top 5 to 6 measures of success.
- c. Owner's Project Requirements – Discuss/review key success measures.

#### **5. Sustainability and Performance Goals (0:45 min.) – ODS/ES**

- a. This portion will begin to focus in on the specific performance goals for the project. We will continue from the last activity into the following areas:
  - Energy benchmarks and energy targets: Energy Studio will provide a technical presentation that describes project climate and simple box energy modeling results
  - Historical utility bill analysis.
  - Project climate.
  - Simple box model serves to inform building operational energy use.
- b. Discuss potential range for reductions of new facility over benchmark buildings.

#### **6. Break/Lunch (1:00 hr., noon)**

#### **7. Breakout Groups (1:00 hr., 1:00 pm) – ODS/ES**

- a. The purpose and set-up of the two breakout groups will be explained briefly and participants will be asked to move to one of the pre-set group web meeting session. Worksheets will be provided to each group and they will work in one of the following two breakout groups:
  - Envelope/Passive design/Site (including site/orientation, building systems, materials, daylighting, passive ventilation, infiltration control, on-site renewables etc.)

- HVAC/Energy systems/Lighting (including primary systems, ventilation, controls, sub-metering, regulated and unregulated electric loads (e.g. elevators, material moving systems, manufacturing equipment), light levels, task lighting, lights sensors, exterior site lighting, technology, combined heat and power, etc.).
- b. Each group will need to first establish the following roles (different roles may be filled by the same person, but all should participate).
- Facilitator: Keeps the group on-track, on-time, and makes sure everyone participates.
  - Record Keeper: Captures the group discussion and information on the worksheet and makes sure that all the areas of the worksheet are being discussed.
  - Reporter: Makes sure they can read and summarize the group discussion and the information captured on the worksheet.

#### **8. Report Out and Discussion (0:30 min.) – ODS/ES**

- a. The two groups will each have ~ 10 minutes to report out the goals, measures, and strategies that they discussed during their breakout session. These will be captured as they presented. All notes will be kept for the project record, even those that are not presented verbally during the discussion.
- b. We will then discuss as a group how the goals, measures, and strategies connect with each other and create a list of the goals for the project. These will be captured as they are presented.

#### **9. Next Steps (0:15 min., 3:00 pm) – Energy Studio**

- a. We will go over the next steps in the process and decide on the dates for:
- Distribute draft charrette meeting minutes
  - Distribute preliminary energy modeling report
  - Reviews and comments on preliminary energy modeling report
- b. We will review what to expect after preliminary energy modeling is complete
- SD drawings, date anticipated to be available
  - SD energy modeling report, date anticipated to be available

Daylighting  
Ventilation  
Sunshading  
Climate

# DESIGN STRATEGY BREAKOUT

Daylighting -  
Kelly works in our  
favor historic.

## ENVELOPE AND PASSIVE DESIGN

### Group Members:

Annette D	Malec Cherry
Gary V	Mark Hilty
Kaith Holz	Russell
Kelly D	Vernon
Ken Scott	Kaith Holz
Amanda R.	Matt Edwards

### Date:

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### Site & Orientation:

Sun Orientation - Not a lot

Shading - Trees along the street for shading or colonnade for shading 1st Floor  
Engagement of Streetscape  
Open & Inviting.

Prominence - to the bldg.  
231 Courthouse.

### Building Envelope Systems:

Prominence & Welcoming.

Courtyard

Brickwork on 231

Inviting - 231 Public

Civic - presence like Courthouse.

Outdoors - Upstairs.

Skylights / Atriums / Courtyards.

### Daylighting:

Sunshading: windows

Not Allowed: Tinted Glass  
Thickness of Walls - look more relevant.

Public - needs to see a bldg efficient / meet intent of Historic Guidelines.

Shading Devices - Decorative  
Precast - Lintels.

### Passive Ventilation:

Operable Windows - Acceptable  
~~at minimum~~ more traditional window configuration

office Bldg. -> 200-300 employees - maintenance concern / security concern.  
Lower floors - tenant spaces - open for walking lot.

Appearance - of an operable one over one building. liability issue

Agreement - political control

Other: Security - 2nd Floor.

Do not compete w/ Courthouse  
20 Usage  
2/5 or 1/3  
Happen River



# DESIGN STRATEGY BREAKOUT

## ENVELOPE AND PASSIVE DESIGN

### Key Factors:

Cistern - Rain H<sub>2</sub>O capture  
reclaimed H<sub>2</sub>O line -  
Main Street - 1200' fr

New line -

hang on DOT bridge

### Goals:

3<sup>rd</sup>

Nice Vegetation ~~in~~ on site other than rain gardens  
Streetscape along 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave.  
Deeper Streetscape than 12' on Main Street - 20'

### Brainstorm:

Cistern on Square  
Northern  
Quadrant  
Roof - Green Roof.

↳ costly to run a line  
thru downtown.

COF Maintenance crew

Stormwater discharge to river  
- Stormwater reqmts. -  
- Green Infrastructure - BOZOTSC  
previous

### Options to Model (3+ Options):

\* Composite Steel - 6" Floor slab.  
Conc. walls @ Elev. of stair cores

Brick w/ Precast.

Civic Architecture → Steps, Coathring.  
traditional character. Civic →

Pushed Pulls in elevation along <sup>3<sup>rd</sup></sup> Ave - Shading.  
TANK -  
domestic  
attached.

# BREAKOUT

## HVAC, LIGHTING, AND CONTROLS

### Group Members:

- Alex (Moderator)
- Victoria Zeparkov
- Andrew Orr
- Dan Schaffner
- Ryed Wilson
- Max
- Rudolf Josh
- Jim Maxwell

### Date:

11.10.20

### HVAC System Types:

- 30-40
- Rooftop - ~~30~~ + Condensing Units (Residential Units) - Maint. Issues
  - Price Bills have not been that bad.
  - Cooling tower? Appropriate?
  - VRF System? - EA Unit has shut off.
  - How to pack into exterior area (Unit + Screening)
  - Refrigerant - Base system preferred
  - Geothermal @ FPD - looked well. Had a few lines leak, but overall very happy. - Good energy bill returns.

Decentralized US Control → Bldg Control VRF / Cooling Tower

### Lighting Systems:

- More daylight / windows
  - LED
  - Occ. Sensors (IR / Ultrasonic) - Consistency of controls - Less concern over movement.
  - Daylight Controls
  - Don't overcomplicate controls
  - Light Schedules / Controls
  - A lot of anxiety about lighting controls, daylight harvesting.
- If different, have a reason, but as consistent for users as possible.

### Ventilation:

- Want fresh air recovery if intake & exha. units
- Humidity control
- Water-side economizer may work better than Air-side
- DCA may make sense (Control Air - Dedicated Outside Air Sys. - Allow for add'l Out. Air / Better IAQ.

### Control Strategies:

- Need some ~~stop~~ Friction on Equip.
- Sub-metering & BMS to track energy demands & usage.
- Access Controls (Security) - IT moving to sensors on hardware. - No wall mounted badge readers. - Remote capability / Scheduling for security lockings, etc.
- Other: ASes based systems.

### Other:

- Natural gas likely for emergencies
- Think about hot water - Nat Gas.
- Specific zones on generator - TRD - as needed for emerg. response.
- Multiple Elec Metals from old Mall Shop
- MTRMC - Currently no demand change - May be u / new bldg.
- Generator - Screening - not on rooftop - Use bldg placement to create utility compound for screening - Geothermal below ground as Cooling Tower Visible - too big for roof.

# BREAKOUT

## HVAC, LIGHTING, AND CONTROLS

### Key Factors:



### Brainstorm:

- Operable windows? on the table
  - Impact on HVAC?
  - What bldg to be retrofitting?
  - Leads itself to historic bldgs.
  - Savings on windows tied to bldg.

### Goals:

- Keep bldg welcoming.
- Proven technology - no bleeding edge
- Don't overcomplicate it.
- FFD - A lot of units above ceiling
  - Kind of a pain to maintain because so many

Cool HVAC filtration that w/  
Fire sprinkler lines (avoid  
conflicts).

- Ventilation @ Food Areas
  - Get away from multiple break  
areas in ea. Dept.
  - More centralized bet
- VRF - CF has had great luck w/ Trane  
systems.

### Options to Model (3+ Options):



# CITY OF FRANKLIN: NEW CITY HALL

INTEGRATIVE DESIGN PROCESS CHARETTE

NOVEMBER 10, 2020



Energy studio

/ Optimized Design Solutions

# Welcome & Introductions

# Workshop Goals

# Integrative Process Agenda

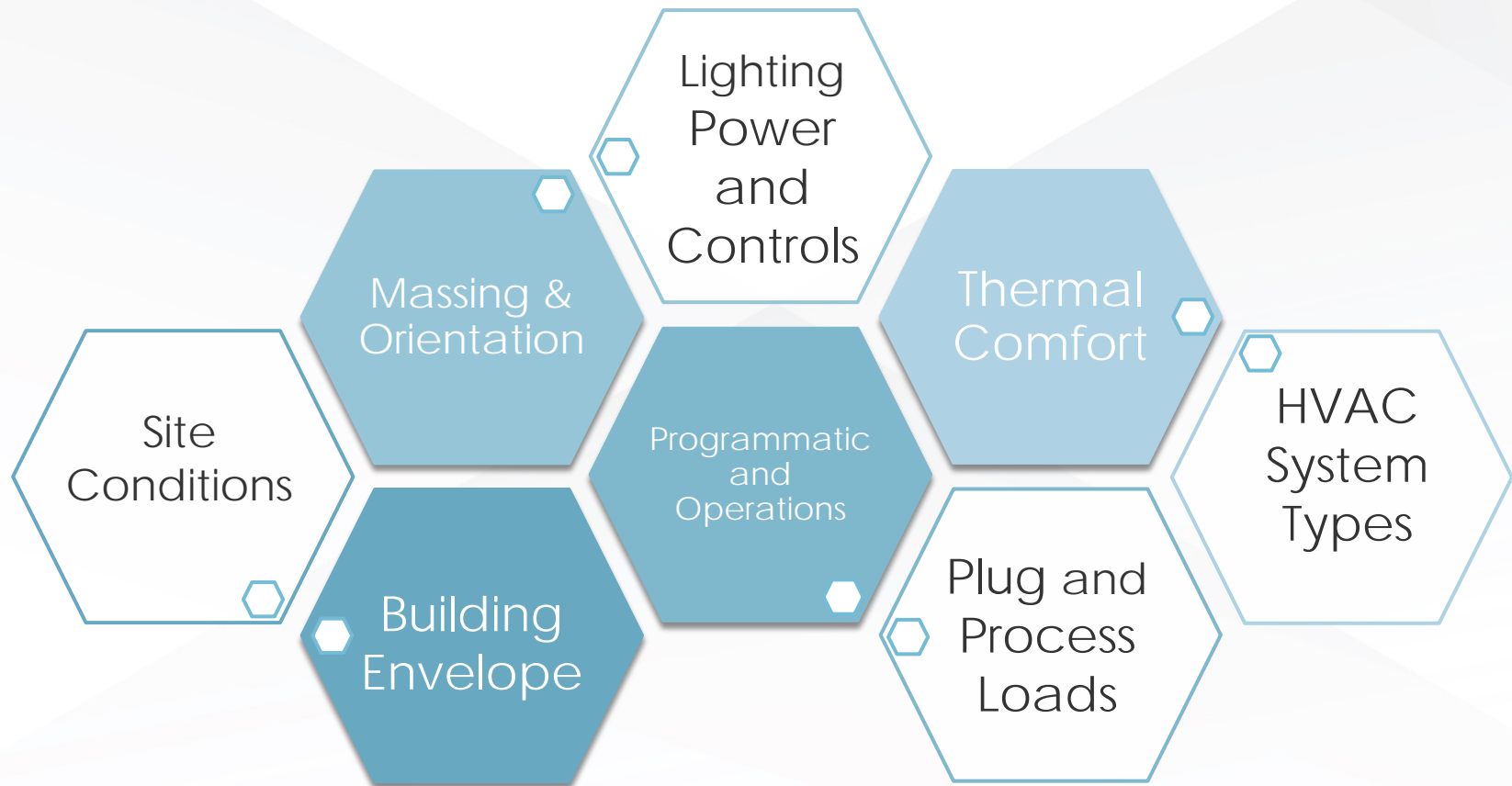
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- Set project goals
- Climate analysis
- Operational carbon findings
- Schematic energy model results
- Evaluate and discuss possible energy conservation strategies
- Evaluate and discuss possible water conservation strategies

# Integrative Process

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## □ Energy-Related Systems

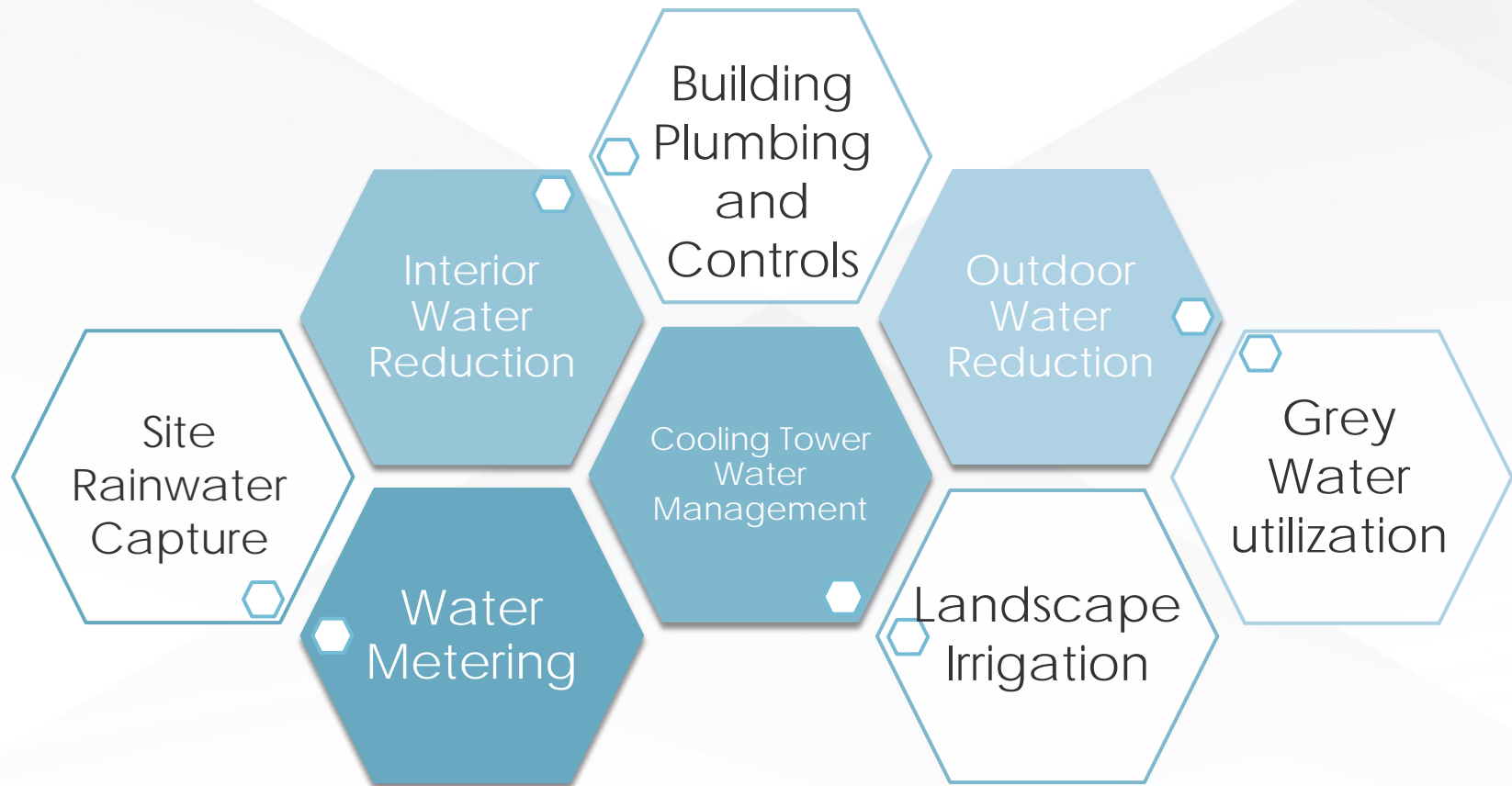




# Integrative Process

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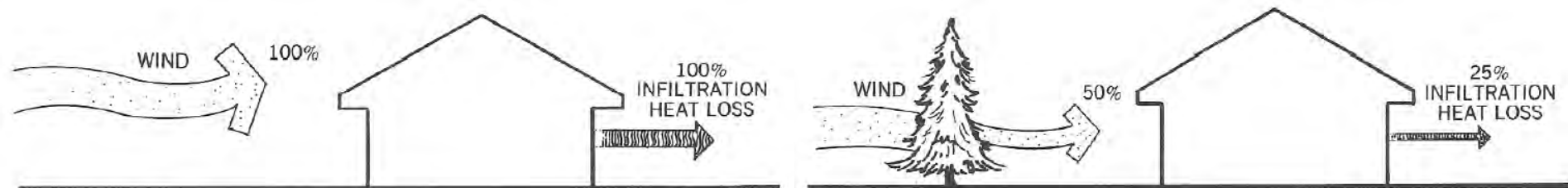
## □ Water-Related Systems



# Site Conditions

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- Shading strategies
- Landscaping (wind break, amphitheater location)
- Adjacent site conditions



Source: Heating, Cooling, Lighting: Sustainable Design Methods for Architects, Third Ed.

# Massing and Orientation

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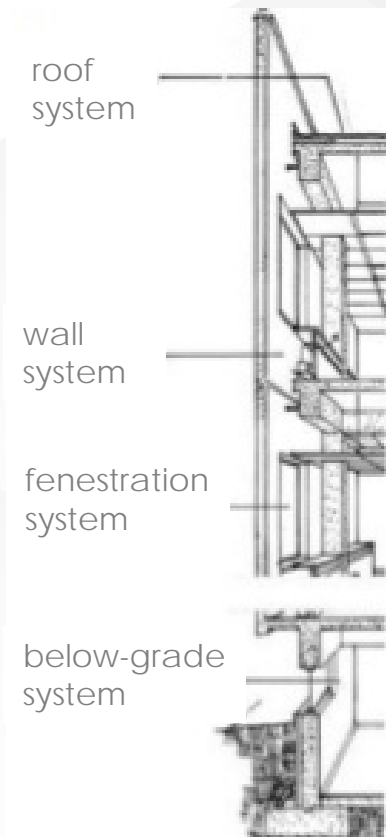
- Assess how massing and orientation affect the following:
  - ▣ HVAC equipment sizing
  - ▣ Daylighting potential
  - ▣ Renewable energy opportunities



# Building Envelope

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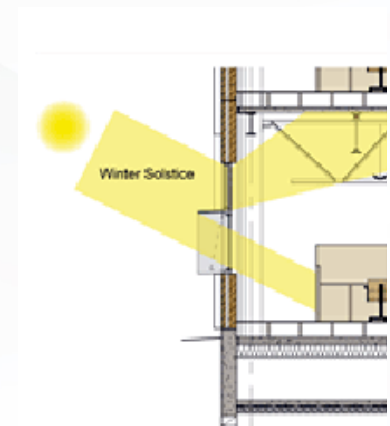
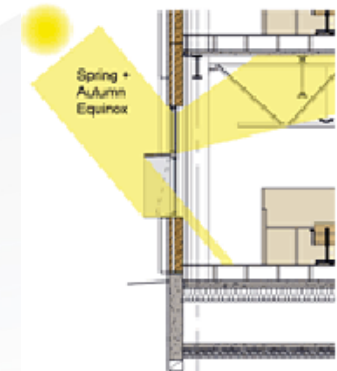
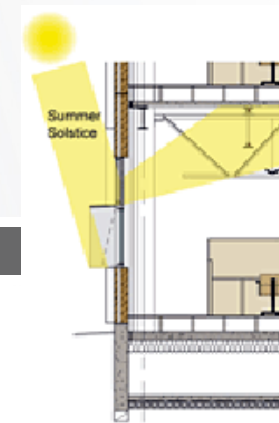
- Insulation types and thicknesses
- Window-to-wall ratio
- Glazing characteristics
- Window operability



# Lighting Levels

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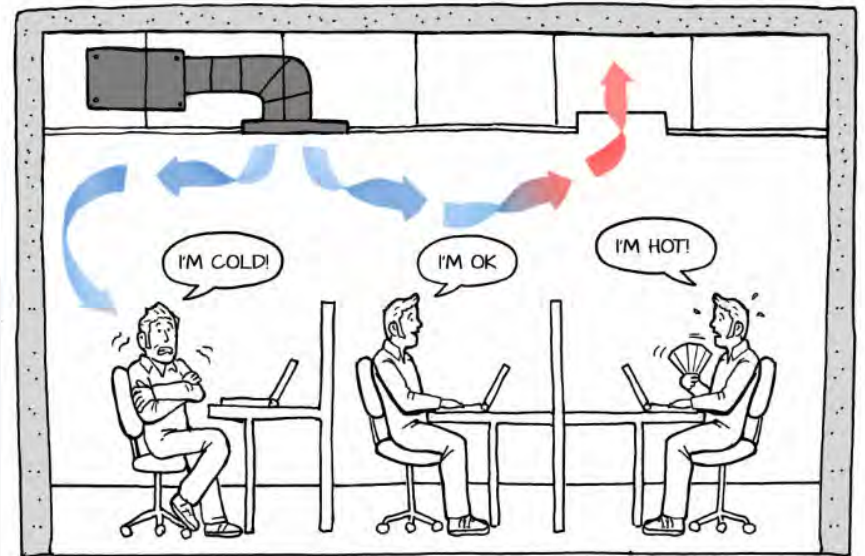
- Control strategies
  - ▣ Daylighting
  - ▣ Occupancy/vacancy sensor
  - ▣ Time-delay to vacancy
  
- Lighting fixture types
  
- Interior surface reflectance



# Thermal Comfort Ranges

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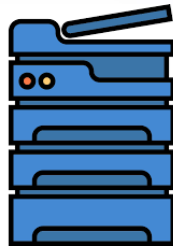
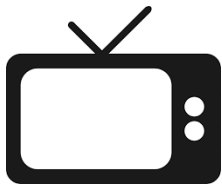
- Air Temperature
- Humidity
- Air speed and draft
- Radiant temperature



# Plug and Process Load Needs

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- Assess reducing the plug and process loads through programmatic solutions
  - ▣ Plug load controls
  - ▣ Equipment and purchasing policies
  - ▣ Layout options
  - ▣ Thin client computing



# Water Use Reduction

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- Landscape/irrigation optimization
  - ▣ Native landscape, drought tolerant
  - ▣ Rainwater capture for irrigation
  - ▣ Greywater utilization for irrigation
- Building related conservation
  - ▣ Grey/rainwater utilization for toilets
  - ▣ Efficient plumbing fixtures
  - ▣ Cooling tower water management
  - ▣ Building level water metering



# Programmatic and Operational Parameters

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- Assess space optimization
  - ▣ Multifunctioning space
  - ▣ Space allotment per person
  - ▣ Reduction of building area
  
- Assess operating parameters
  - ▣ Operating schedules
  - ▣ Night temperature setback
  - ▣ Occupied setpoint temperature

# Anticipated Outcomes

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- We want to walk away from this workshop with aspirational goals
- These goals can pertain to
  - ▣ Energy
  - ▣ Water
  - ▣ Site
  - ▣ Materials and waste,
  - ▣ Indoor environmental quality
  - ▣ Operations and maintenance

# Ground Rules

What guidelines can we set to foster the most effective brainstorming today?

Defer judgement.

Stay on topic.

Go for quantity of ideas.

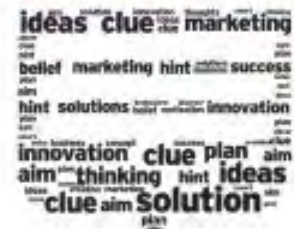
Silly is important. Wild is welcome.

One idea per turn / webinar comment.

# Project Overview

# Project Purpose

WHY DOES  
THIS PROJECT  
MATTER IN  
THE BIG PICTURE?



A glowing blue and purple plasma ball with a central red sphere and radiating lines.

TO WHOM DOES IT, OR  
WILL IT, MATTER? WHO  
WILL IT IMPACT?



**WHAT IS THE TRANSFORMATIVE  
POTENTIAL OF THIS PROJECT?**



# Project Purpose

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- Share, discuss, and summarize
  - ▣ Flexibility and future growth potential
  - ▣ Public use and invitation for both inside and out; and site
    - Public access beyond just typical meeting rooms; it's public's building
  - ▣ Historically appropriate; heart of downtown Franklin
    - Benchmark for sustainable development in area (educational and aspirational)
    - Education: sustainable development that compliments historic AND judicious use of city (taxpayer) capital
  - ▣ Facility that public embraces
  - ▣ Long term owner: systems should facilitate this
  - ▣ Visibility and recognizable strategies that public can see
  - ▣ Infrastructure improvements (brownfield site)
  - ▣ Staff and visitors feeling safe and secure
  - ▣ Integrating with pedestrian activity in downtown area

# Sustainability & Performance Goals

WHAT ARE THE SPECIFIC  
CONDITIONS OF SATISFACTION  
FOR BUILDING PERFORMANCE?



# Building Performance

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- Group Discussion:
  - ▣ What are the specific conditions of satisfaction for the building performance of the project?
  - ▣ What do users need this building to do?

Maintenance  
& Operation

Energy  
Performance

What will make  
this project  
successful in the  
big picture?

Education

User  
Experience

Others?

# Sustainability

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- Determine Top 5 measures of success
  - Staff thermal comfort (heating and cooling); controllability of systems
  - Natural lighting / views to outside / engage outdoors in building (nice view from rooftop; overlooks, courtyard, etc)
    - Few existing spaces with these
  - Maintenance concerns: luminaires (long lasting, reliable sources); maintainable systems
    - Design to skillset of staff
    - Measurement for success: implement proven technologies; validation available and not untested (5 year benchmark)
    - Wide operation hours for office and public areas – efficiency during unoccupied periods (control)
  - Adequate ventilation / resiliency (pandemic avoidance)
    - Specific LEED related credits
  - Building materials selected for longevity and maintenance over time considerations
  - Non-potable water use; reduction of reliance on exterior utilities
  - Historic structure lessons learned
  - How can all of these be shown to public? Leading by example
    - Some are hidden to general public
    - Signage, etc; illustrate best and meaningful practices (common/public areas in particular)
    - Prove that historic building districts can be made sustainable: info kiosks, exterior info stations explaining
  - Avoiding green washing / “green bling”; visible is good but meaningful is critical
    - Value added strategies: enhance occ experience and/or reduce operating costs

# Project Climate Summary

# General Climate

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- ASHRAE Climate
  - ▣ Zone 4A
    - Mixed-humid (lower number = warmer)
    - A = "moist": not marine or dry
    - Close to Zone 3A
- Köppen Climate Classification
  - ▣ Cfa: humid subtropical (temperate)
    - Hot summer
    - Humid year-round
- Degree Days – ASHRAE Design Data
  - ▣ CDD50: 4,689
  - ▣ HDD65: 3,729



# Air Temperature Range

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**TEMPERATURE RANGE**  
ASHRAE Standard 55-2004 using PMV

**LOCATION:** Nashville International Ap, TN, USA  
**Latitude/Longitude:** 36.12° North, 86.68° West, **Time Zone from Greenwich** -6  
**Data Source:** TMY3 723270 WMO Station Number, **Elevation** 580 ft

## LEGEND

- RECORDED HIGH - ○
- DESIGN HIGH -
- AVERAGE HIGH -
- MEAN -
- AVERAGE LOW -
- DESIGN LOW -
- RECORDED LOW - ○

### COMFORT ZONE

SUMMER

WINTER

(At 50% Relative Humidity)

DESIGN HIGH: Non-Residential

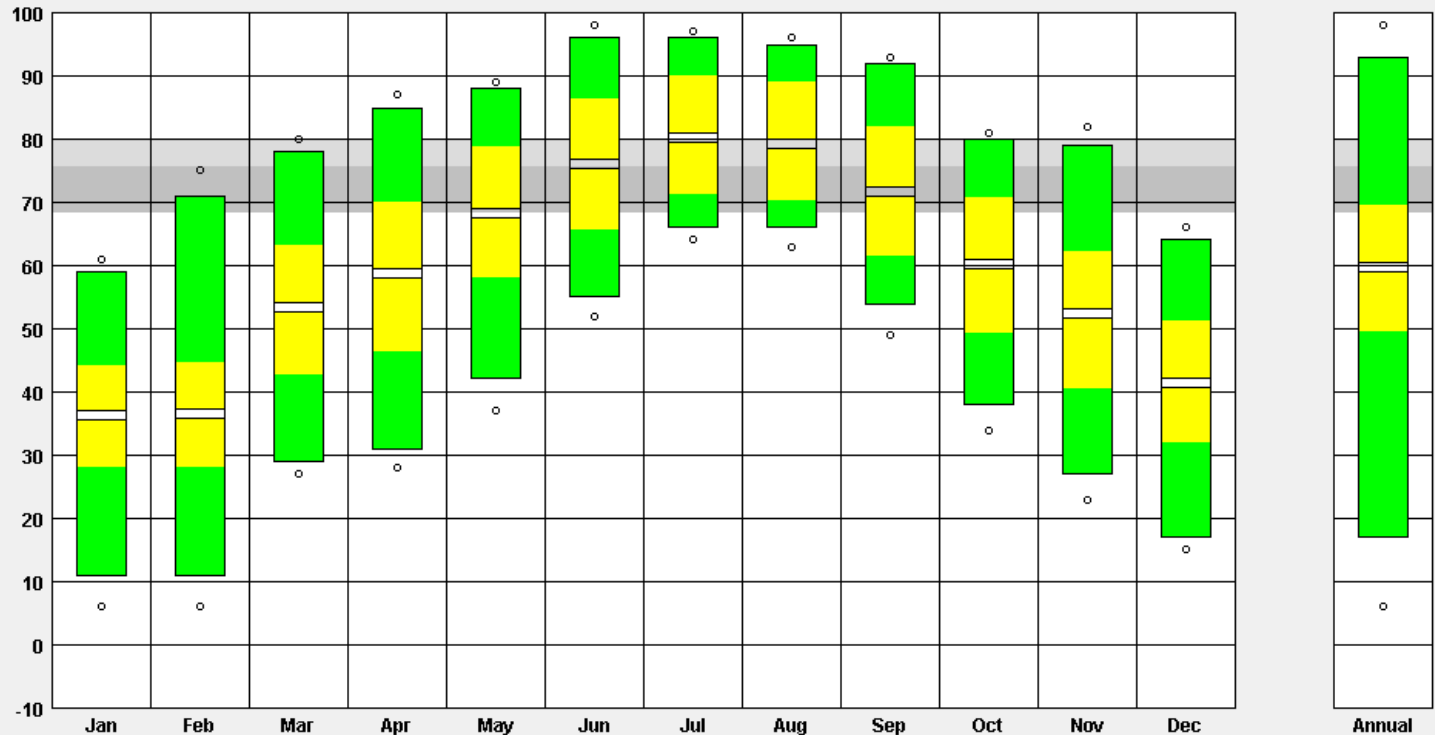
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- .5% of Hours Above
- 0% of Hours Above

DESIGN LOW: Non-Residential

- 1% of Hours Below
- .5% of Hours Below
- 0% of Hours Below

TEMPERATURE RANGE:

- 10 to 110 °F
- Fit to Data



# Climate Analysis: Drybulb Temp

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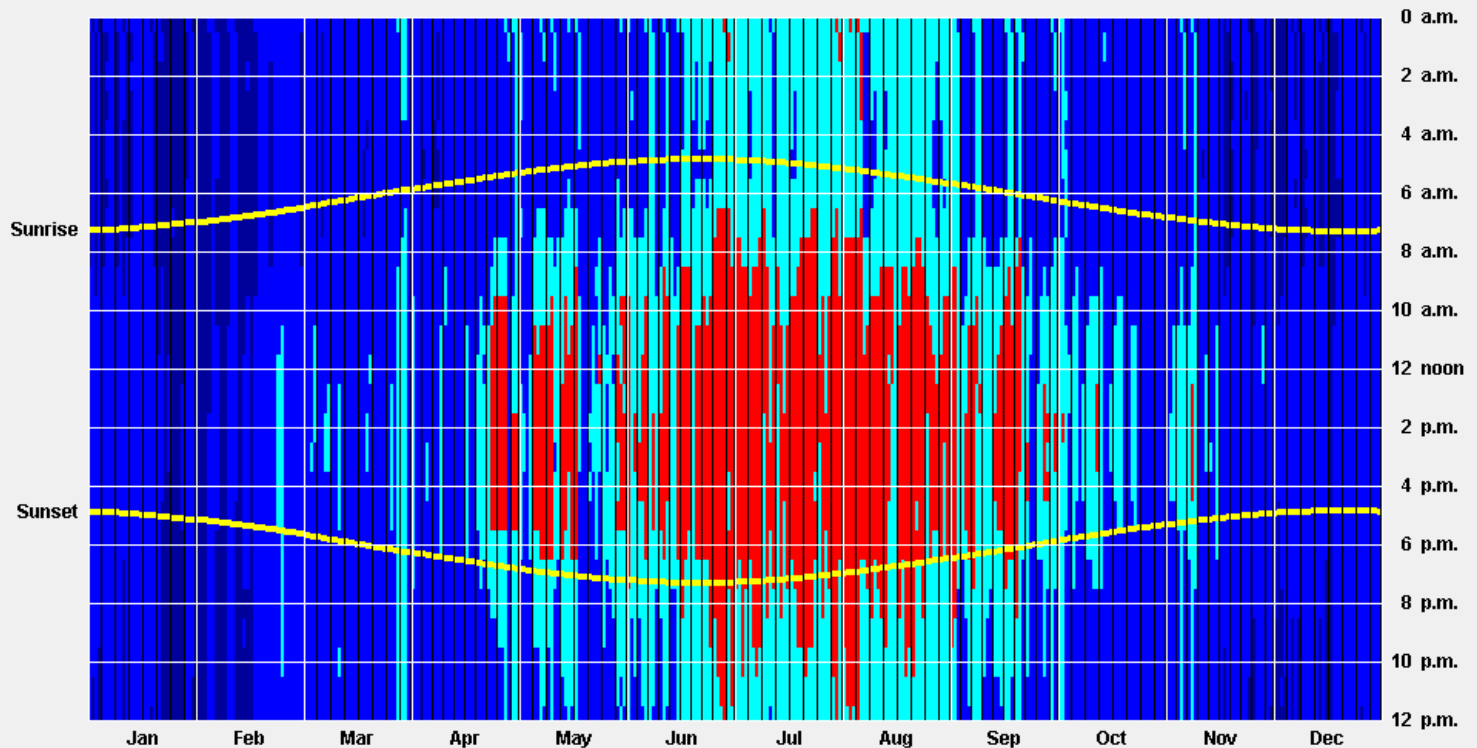
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### LEGEND

#### DRY BULB TEMP (degrees F)

8%	■	< 32
53%	■	32 - 69
25%	■	69 - 81
13%	■	81 - 100
0%	■	> 100



PLOT:

DRY BULB TEMP

Monthly Avg  Daily

# Climate Analysis: Diurnal Temp

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**MONTHLY DIURNAL AVERAGES**  
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## LEGEND

### HOURLY AVERAGES

TEMPERATURE: (degrees F)

- DRY BULB MEAN
- WET BULB MEAN
- DRY BULB (all hours)

COMFORT ZONE

- SUMMER
- WINTER

(At 50% Relative Humidity)

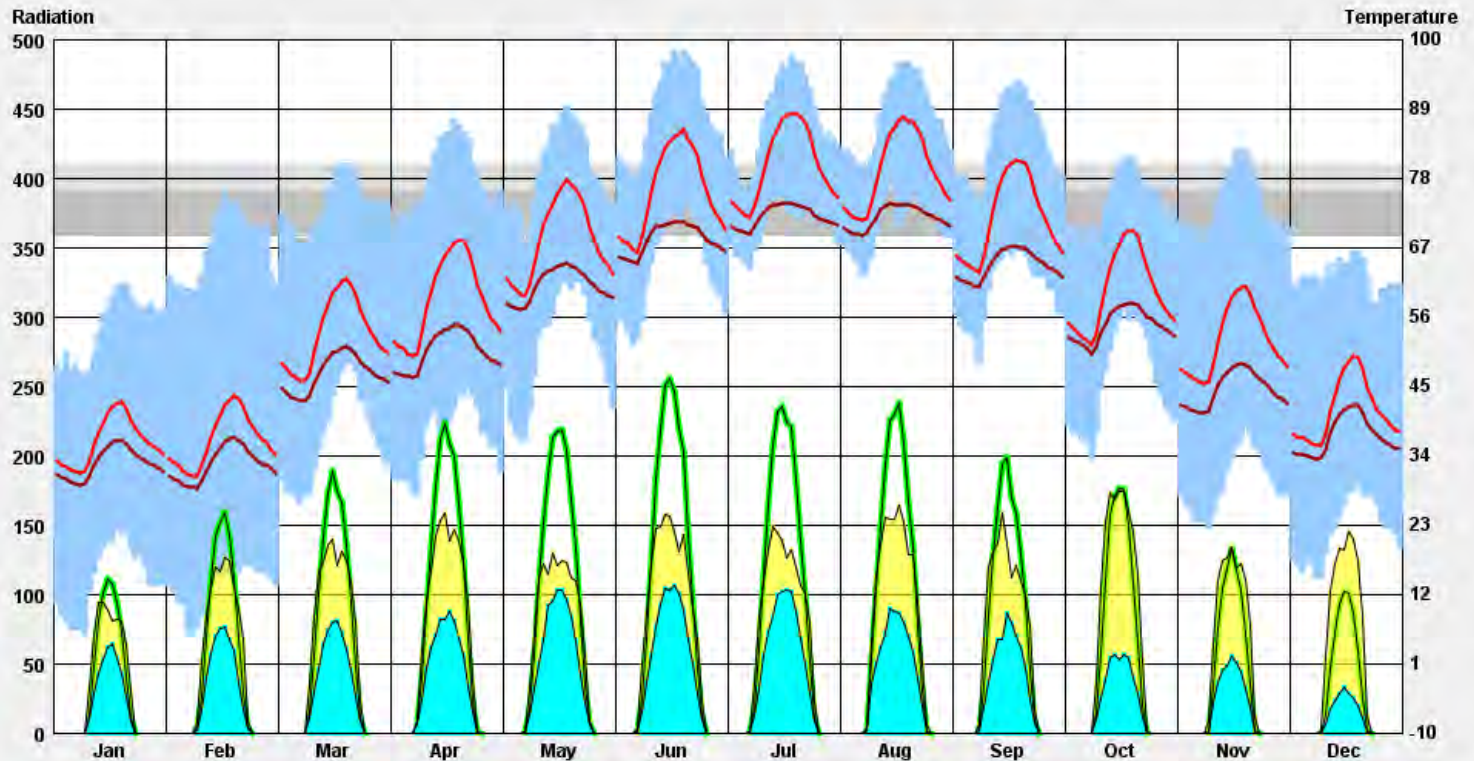
RADIATION: (Btu/sq.ft)

- GLOBAL HORIZ
- DIRECT NORMAL
- DIFFUSE

Display Dry Bulb Temp  
(all hours)

TEMPERATURE RANGE:

- 10 to 110 °F
- Fit to Data



# Climate Analysis: Wind Wheel

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**LOCATION:** Nashville International Ap, TN, USA  
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**Data Source:** TMY3 723270 WMO Station Number, **Elevation** 580 ft

## WIND WHEEL

### LEGEND

#### TEMPERATURE (Deg. F)

- < 32
- 32 - 69
- 69 - 81
- 81 - 100
- > 100

#### RELATIVE HUMIDITY (%)

- <30
- 30-70
- >70

All Hours  Selected Hours

1 a.m. through midnight

All Months  Selected Months

NOV through FEB

One Month JAN Next Month

One Day 1 Next Day

#### Animate

Monthly

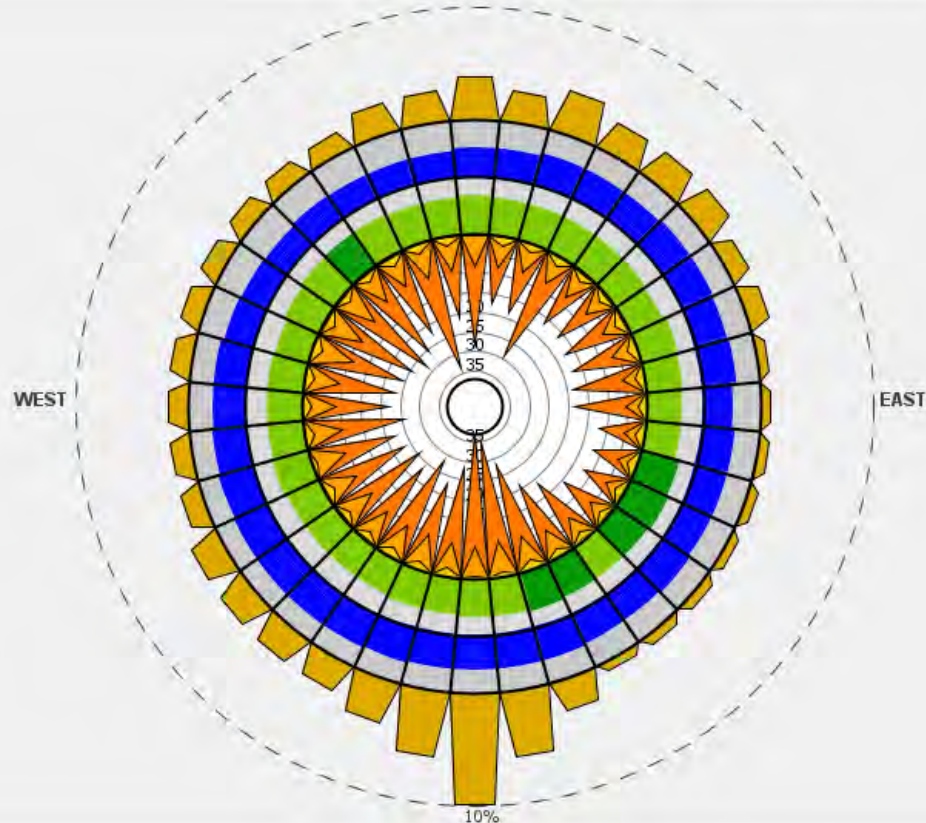
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Hourly

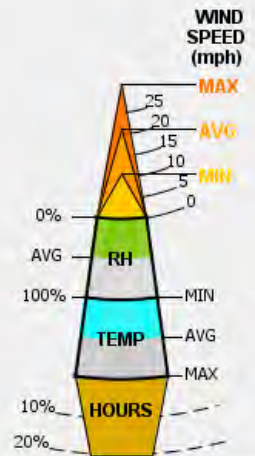
Start

Pause

Stop



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JANUARY - DECEMBER



# Climate Analysis: Winter Wind Wheel

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## WIND WHEEL

### LEGEND

#### TEMPERATURE (Deg. F)

- < 32
- 32 - 69
- 69 - 81
- 81 - 100
- > 100

#### RELATIVE HUMIDITY (%)

- <30
- 30-70
- >70

All Hours     Selected Hours

1 a.m. through midnight

All Months     Selected Months

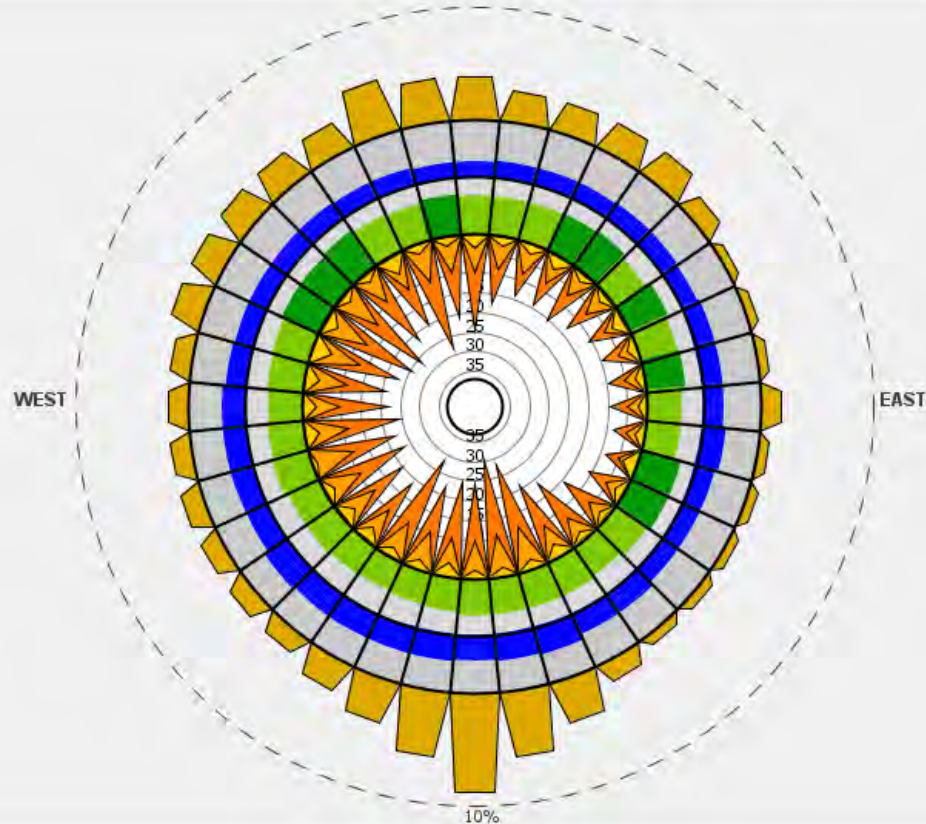
NOV through FEB

One Month    JAN    Next Month

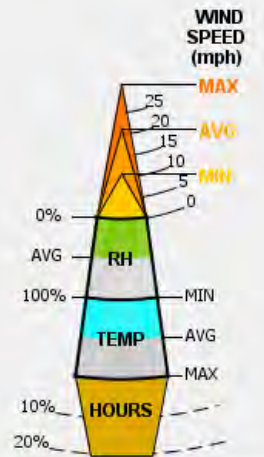
One Day    1    Next Day

Animate

Monthly    Start  
 Daily    Pause  
 Hourly    Stop



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 NOVEMBER - FEBRUARY



# Climate Analysis: Summer Wind Wheel

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## WIND WHEEL

### LEGEND

#### TEMPERATURE (Deg. F)

- < 32
- 32 - 69
- 69 - 81
- 81 - 100
- > 100

#### RELATIVE HUMIDITY (%)

- <30
- 30-70
- >70

All Hours  Selected Hours

1 a.m. through midnight

All Months  Selected Months

JUN through AUG

One Month JAN Next Month

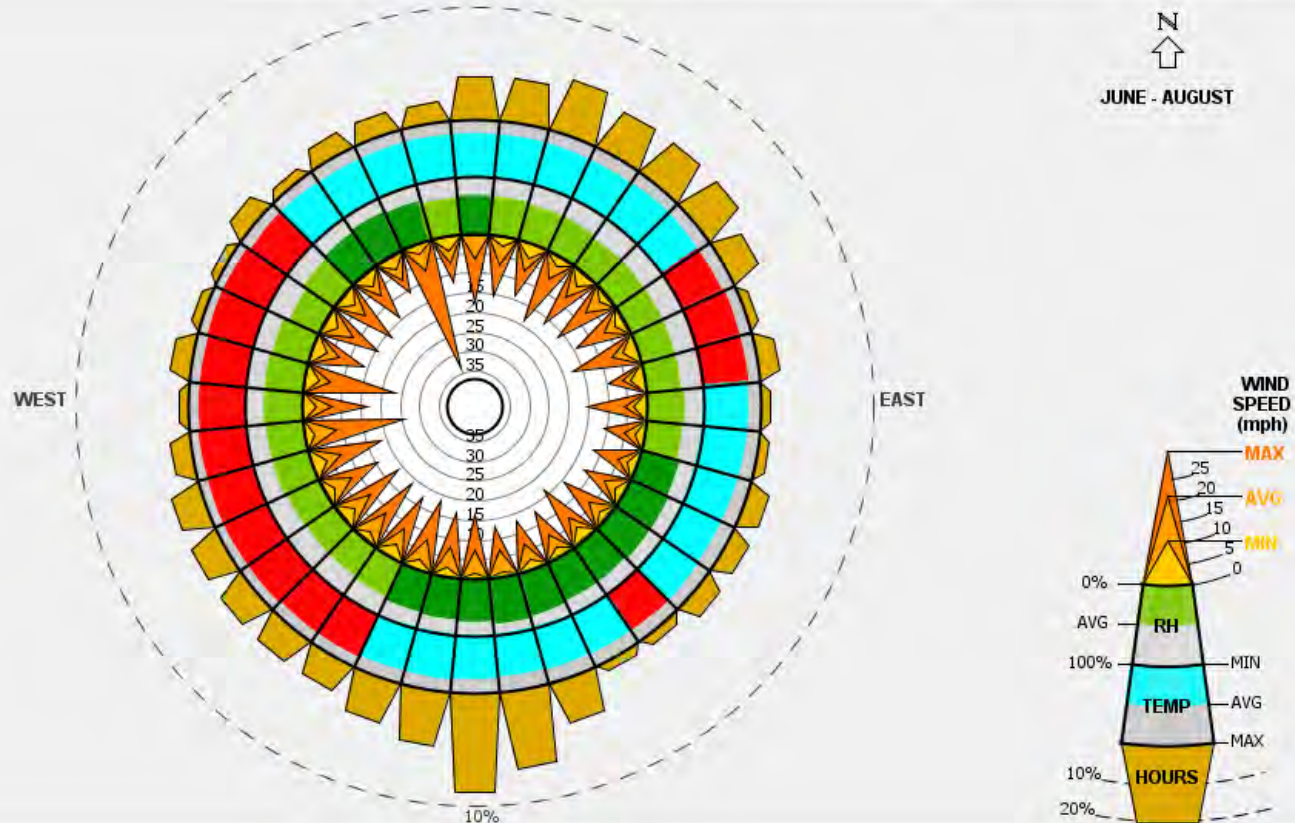
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Animate

Monthly Start

Daily Pause

Hourly Stop



# Climate Analysis: Skyclover

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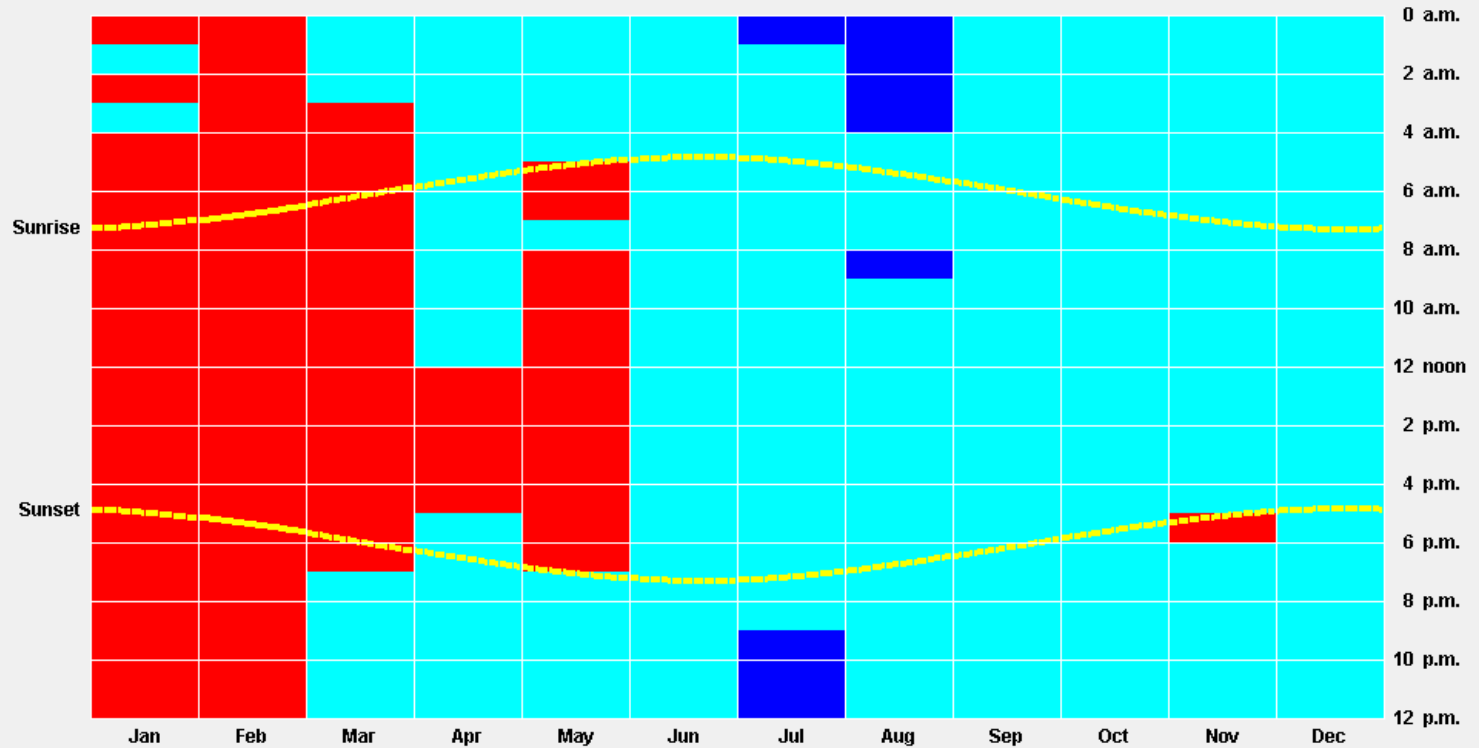
## TIMETABLE PLOT

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### LEGEND

#### SKY COVER (percent)

0%	■	< 10
3%	■	10 - 30
69%	■	30 - 60
28%	■	60 - 80
0%	■	> 80



PLOT:

SKY COVER

Monthly Avg  Daily

# Climate Analysis: Annual Solar Radiation

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## TIMETABLE PLOT

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### LEGEND

#### TILTED SURFACE RADIATION (Btu/sq.ft)

- 49%  Night Time
- 17%  1 - 50
- 10%  50 - 100
- 6%  100 - 150
- 18%  > 150

#### Tilted Surface Radiation:

Tilt degrees from Horizontal  
(Vertical = 90°)

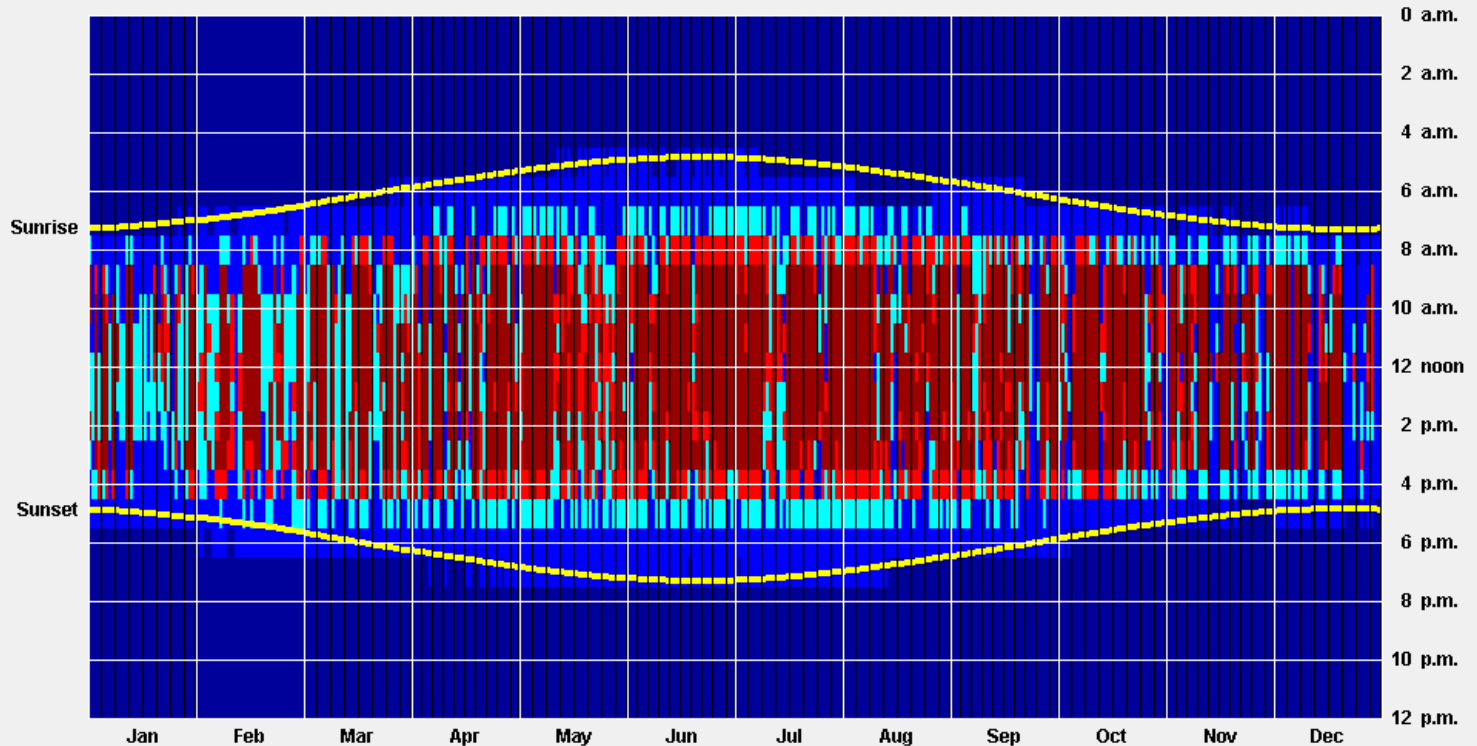
Bearing degrees from South  
(South = 0°, West = +90°)

% Ground Reflectance  
(20% = grass)

#### PLOT:

TILTED SURFACE RADIATION ▼

Monthly Avg  Daily





# Climate Analysis: Illumination

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## TIMETABLE PLOT

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### LEGEND

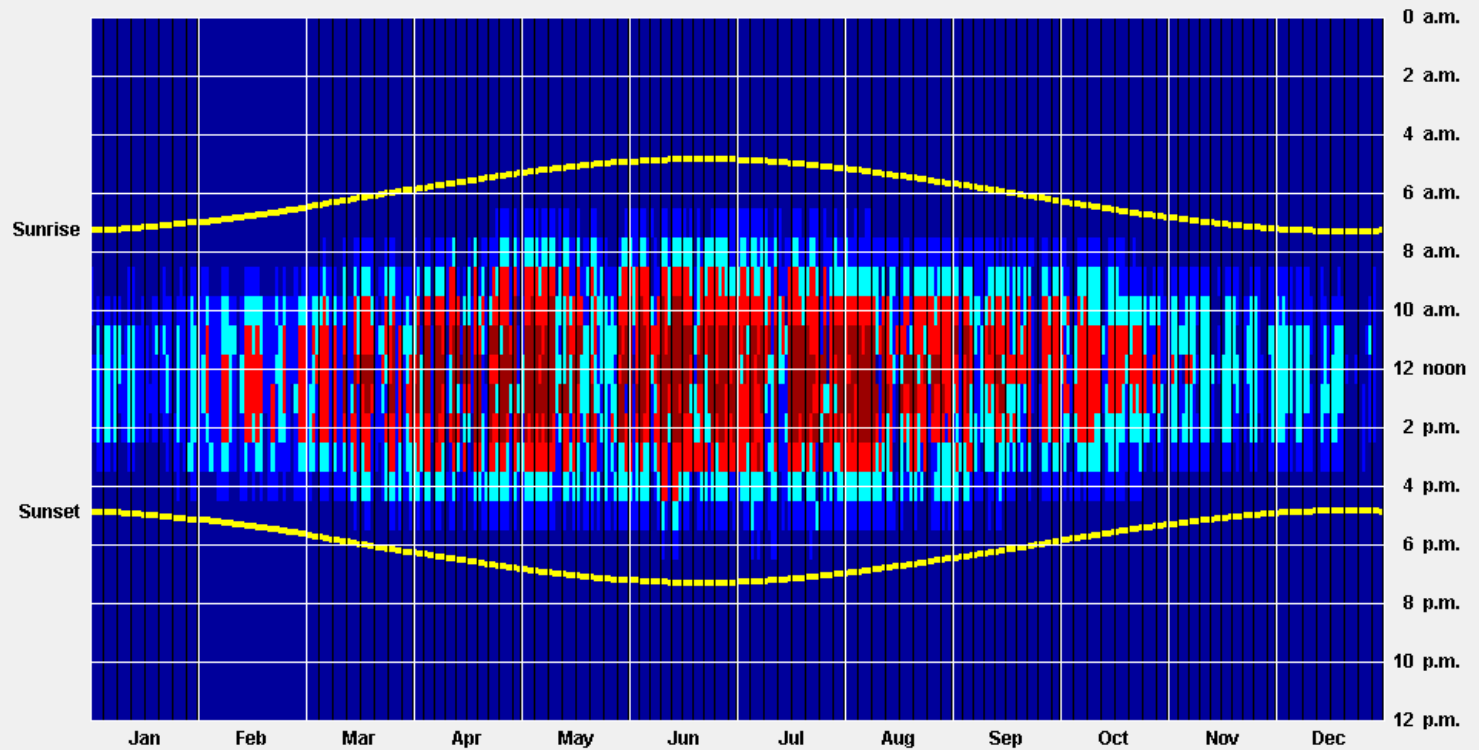
#### GLOBAL HORIZ ILLUMINATION (footcandles)

- 68% ■ < 2000
- 12% ■ 2000 - 4000
- 9% ■ 4000 - 6000
- 7% ■ 6000 - 8000
- 4% ■ > 8000

PLOT:

GLOBAL HORIZ ILLUMINATION

Monthly Avg  Daily



# Climate Analysis

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**PSYCHROMETRIC CHART**  
ASHRAE Standard 55-2004 using PMV

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## LEGEND

**COMFORT INDOORS**  
83% ■ COMFORTABLE  
17% ■ NOT COMFORTABLE

PLOT: COMFORT INDOORS

Hourly  Daily Min/Max

All Hours  Select Hours

1 a.m. through 12 a.m.

All Months  Select Months

JAN through DEC

1 Month JAN Next

1 Day 1 Next

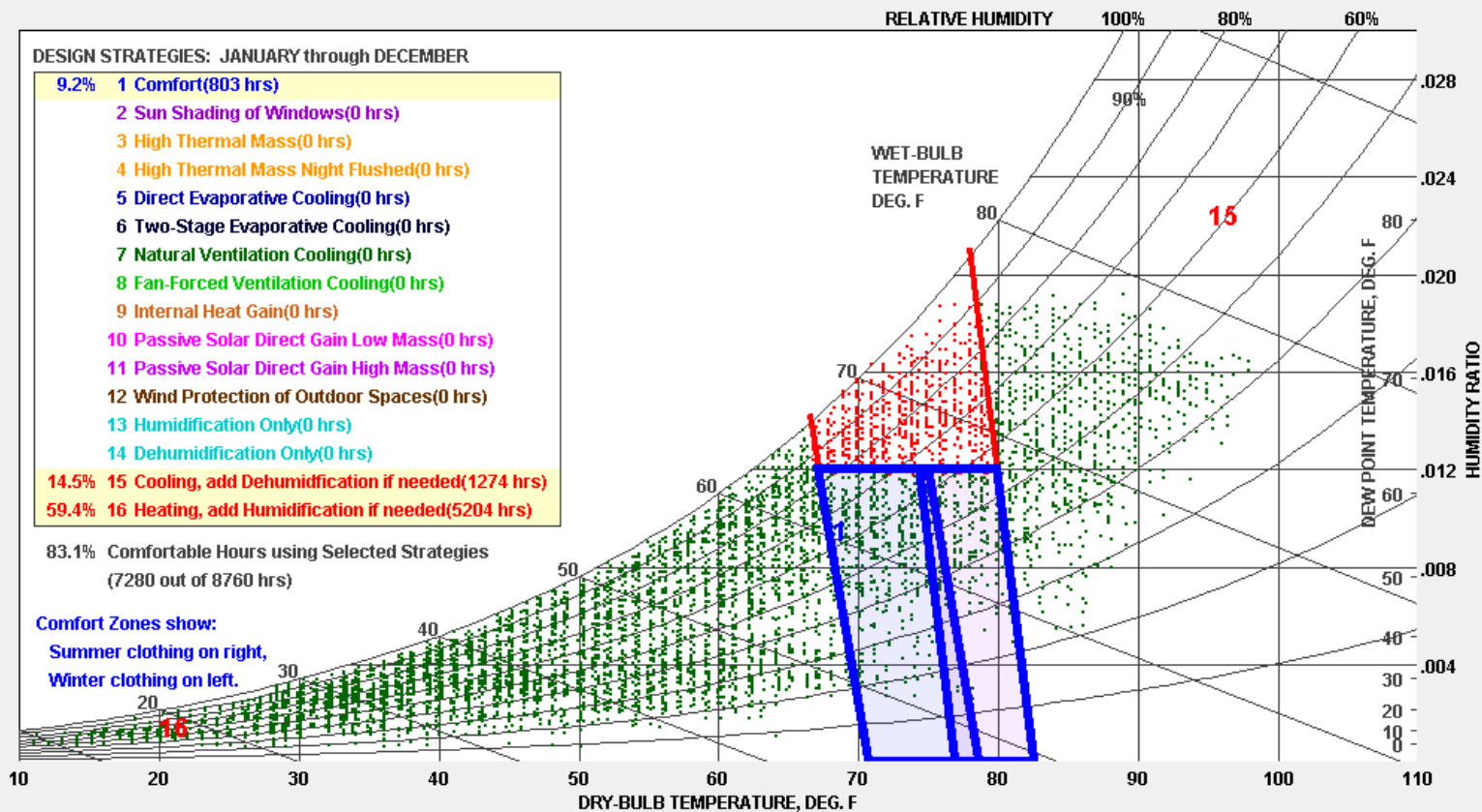
1 Hour 1 a.m. Next

TEMPERATURE RANGE:

10 to 110 °F  Fit to Data

Display Design Strategies

Show Best set of Design Strategies



# Climate Analysis

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## LEGEND

**COMFORT INDOORS**  
100% ■ COMFORTABLE  
0% ■ NOT COMFORTABLE

PLOT: COMFORT INDOORS

Hourly  Daily Min/Max

All Hours  Select Hours

1 a.m. through 12 a.m.

All Months  Select Months

JAN through DEC

1 Month JAN Next

1 Day 1 Next

1 Hour 1 a.m. Next

TEMPERATURE RANGE:

10 to 110 °F  Fit to Data

Display Design Strategies

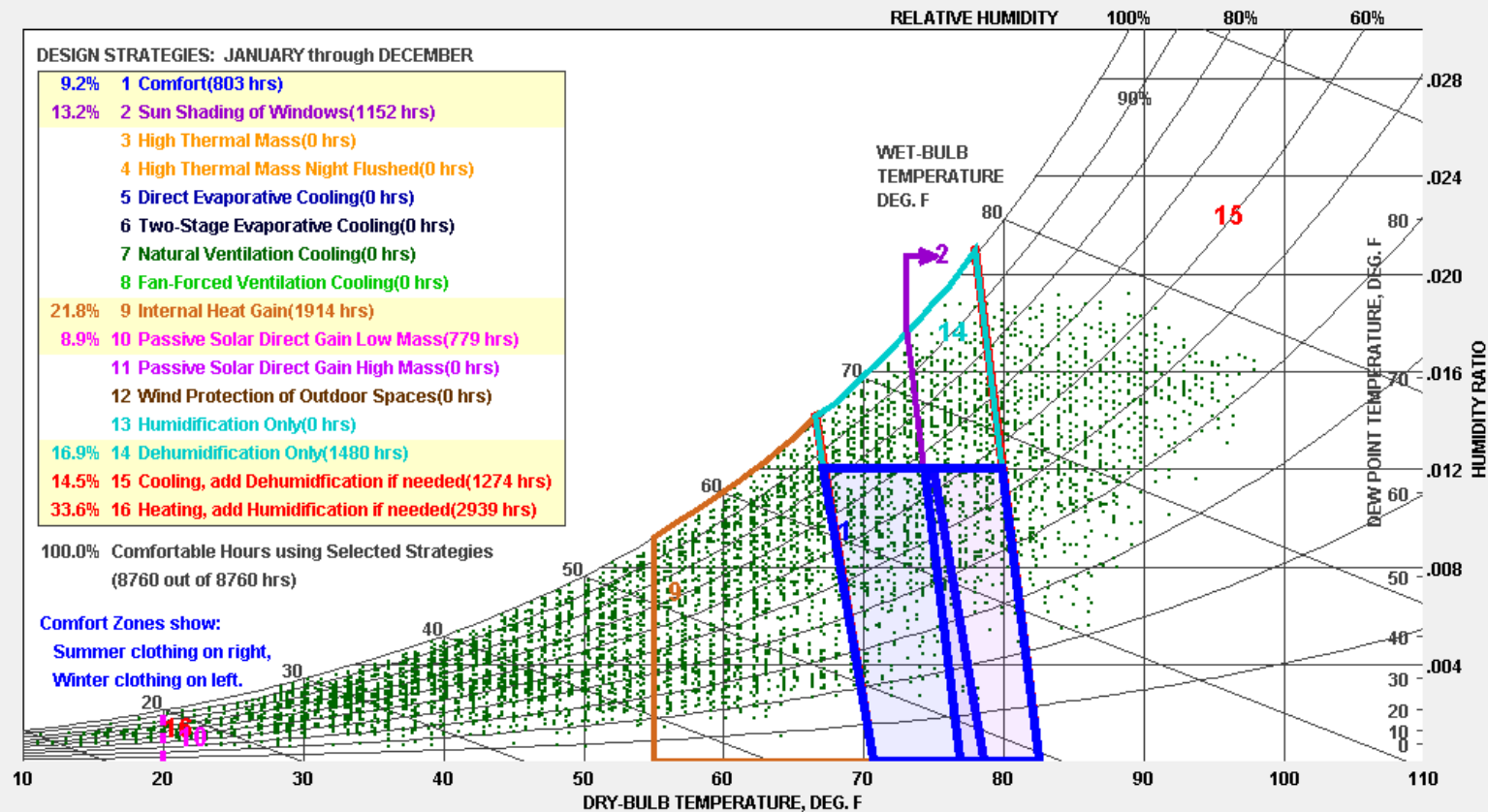
Show Best set of Design Strategies

DESIGN STRATEGIES: JANUARY through DECEMBER

- 9.2% 1 Comfort(803 hrs)
- 13.2% 2 Sun Shading of Windows(1152 hrs)
- 3 High Thermal Mass(0 hrs)
- 4 High Thermal Mass Night Flushed(0 hrs)
- 5 Direct Evaporative Cooling(0 hrs)
- 6 Two-Stage Evaporative Cooling(0 hrs)
- 7 Natural Ventilation Cooling(0 hrs)
- 8 Fan-Forced Ventilation Cooling(0 hrs)
- 21.8% 9 Internal Heat Gain(1914 hrs)
- 8.9% 10 Passive Solar Direct Gain Low Mass(779 hrs)
- 11 Passive Solar Direct Gain High Mass(0 hrs)
- 12 Wind Protection of Outdoor Spaces(0 hrs)
- 13 Humidification Only(0 hrs)
- 16.9% 14 Dehumidification Only(1480 hrs)
- 14.5% 15 Cooling, add Dehumidification if needed(1274 hrs)
- 33.6% 16 Heating, add Humidification if needed(2939 hrs)

100.0% Comfortable Hours using Selected Strategies  
(8760 out of 8760 hrs)

Comfort Zones show:  
Summer clothing on right,  
Winter clothing on left.



# Energy & Operational Carbon

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# Benchmark Estimates

# EnergyStar Target Finder

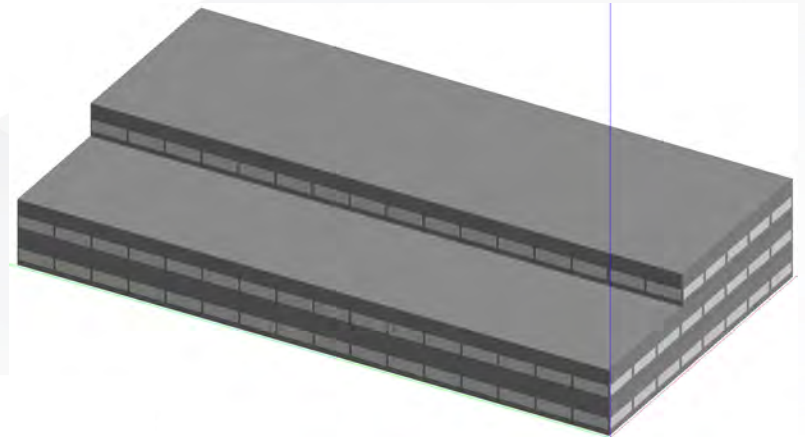
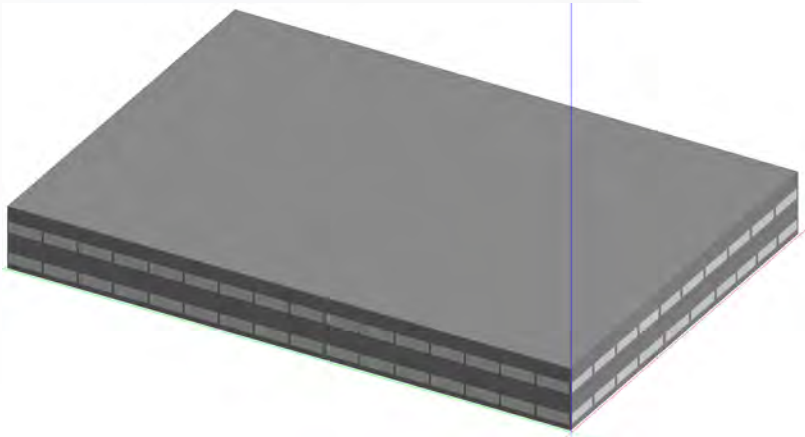
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## Metrics Comparison for Your Design and/or Target

Metric	Design Project	Design Target*	Median Property*
ENERGY STAR score (1-100)	78	75	50
Source EUI (kBtu/ft <sup>2</sup> )	123.6	133.2	191.7
Site EUI (kBtu/ft <sup>2</sup> )	44.1	47.6	68.5
Source Energy Use (kBtu)	12,856,279.7	13,847,994.0	19,936,435.1
Site Energy Use (kBtu)	4,591,528.4	4,945,712.8	7,120,156.2
Energy Cost (\$)	128,743.27	138,674.40	199,644.26
Total GHG Emissions (Metric Tons CO <sub>2</sub> e)	633.6	682.5	982.6

- Comparison to peer building set
  - ▣ Similar location & climate
  - ▣ Similar space uses & building size

# Simple Block Energy Model



# Simple Block Model

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- Included in model?
  - ▣ Current massing & orientation
  - ▣ Basic HVAC zoning
  - ▣ High-level HVAC assumptions
  - ▣ Internal process load assumptions
    - Plug loads: 0.75 W/sf average
    - Elevator: 15 kW
- Full-year simulation
  - ▣ Typical year weather file



# Simple Block Model

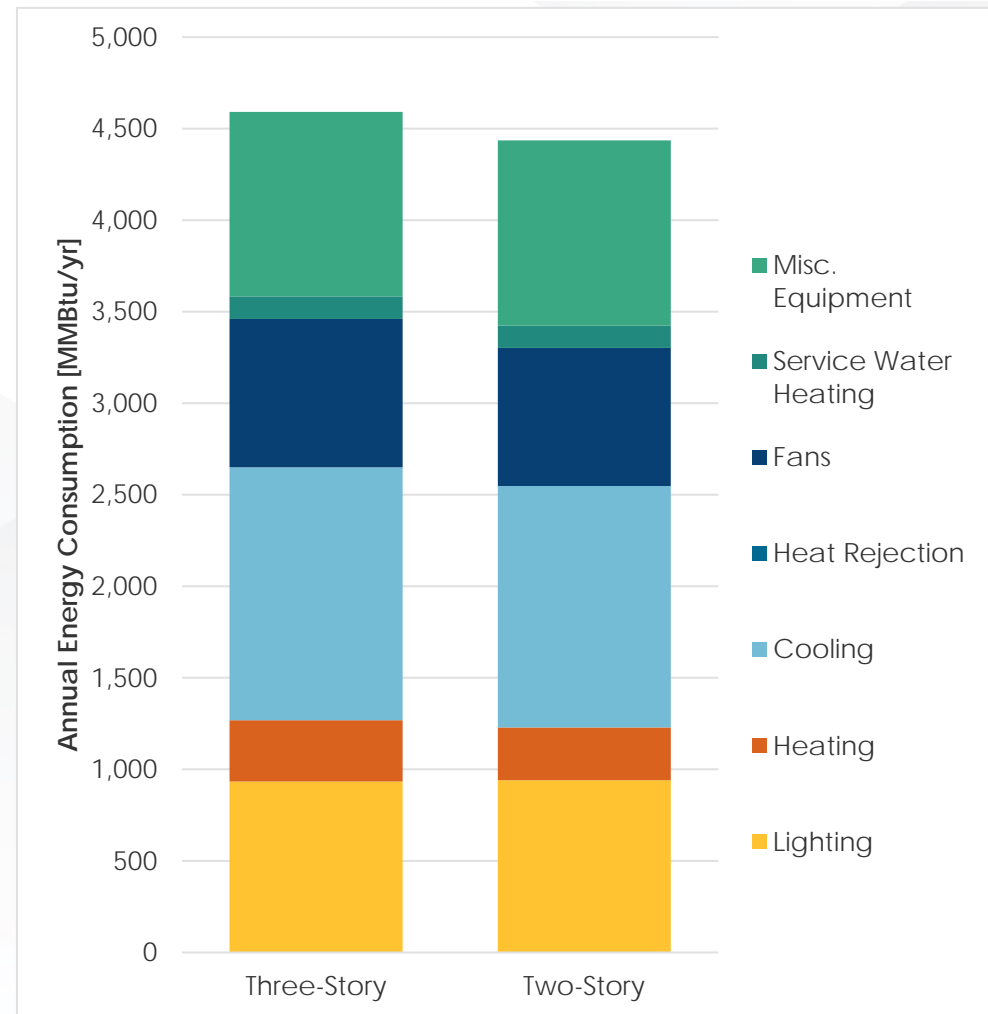
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- Not included in model?
  - ▣ Specific HVAC equipment performance
  - ▣ Detailed operational schedules
  
- Not calibrated to historical utility data
  - ▣ Annual weather differs from typical year file

# Simple Block Model

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- Simple models
  - ▣ EUI: 42.6 – 44.1
  - ▣ Annual energy cost: \$1.16-\$1.22
- Relevant baselines
  - ▣ LEED: ASHRAE 90.1-2010
  - ▣ Code: 2018 IECC



# Priority Areas

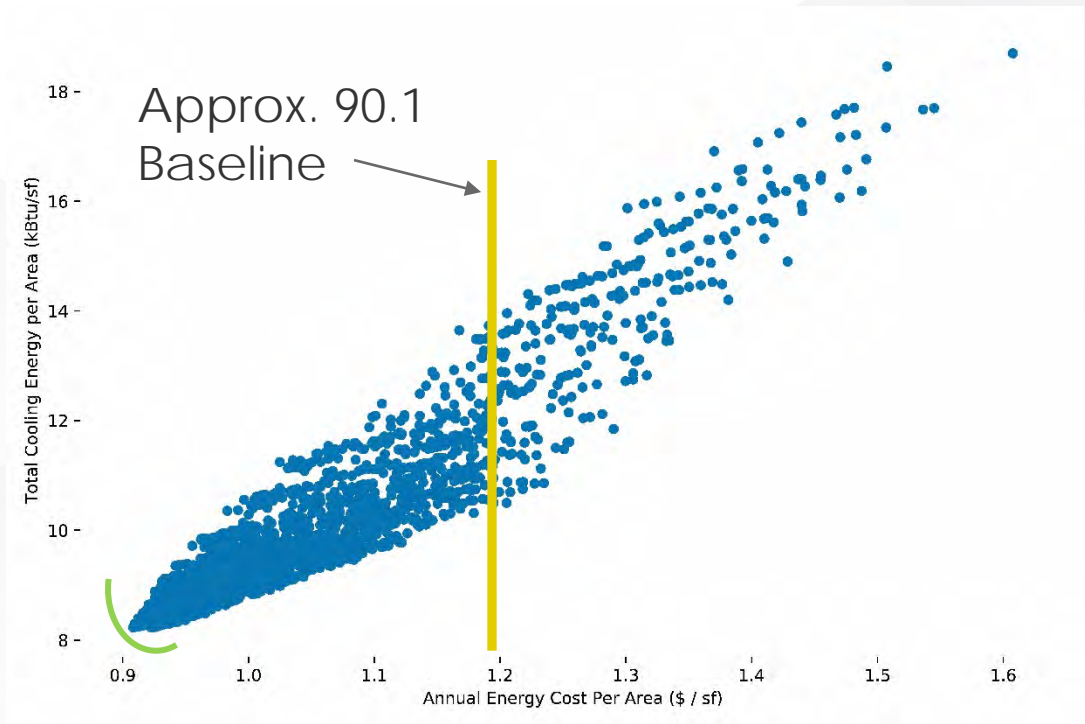
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- Massing options
  - ▣ Three story approx. 4% higher energy use
    - Increased envelope area
- Reduce electricity consumption
  - ▣ Lighting
  - ▣ Cooling and related systems
- Control process/plug loads
  - ▣ Efficient buildings have higher ratio

# Schematic Model: Genetic Algorithm Testing

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- Simultaneously test multiple ECMs
- Potentially thousands of combinations
- Searches for combinations on pareto curve



# Schematic Energy Model: Tested Parameters

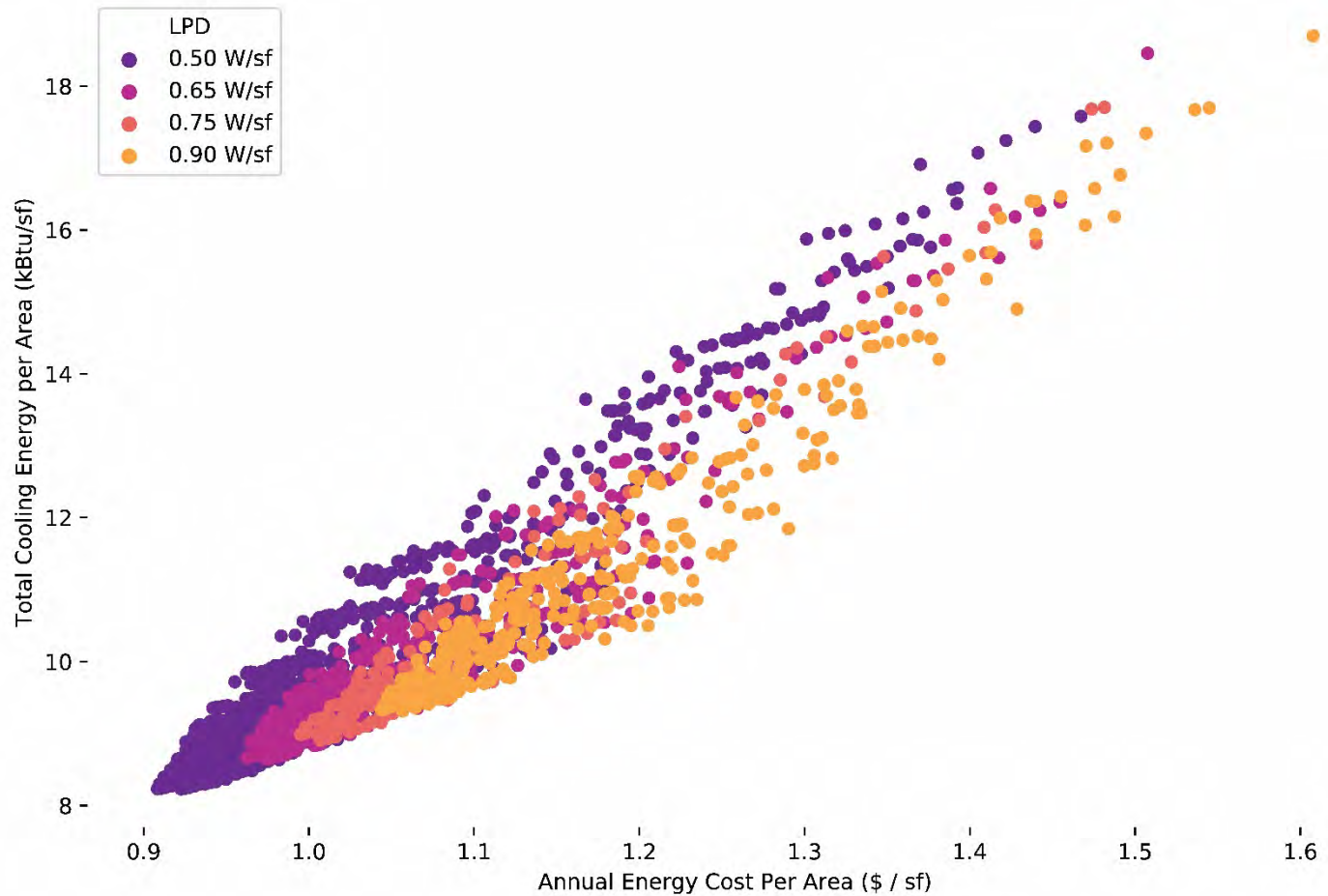
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Parameter	Minimum	Maximum	Step
Window to wall ratio	10%	90%	10%
Exterior wall insulation	Steel-frame: R-13 + 4 ci  Mass wall: R-10 ci	Steel-frame: R-13 + 19 ci  Mass wall: R-25 ci	5 levels of insulation
Roof Insulation	R-20	R-60	9 levels of insulation
Fenestration SHGC	0.20	0.60	0.1
Fenestration U-value	0.3	0.5	0.1
Fenestration shading	No overhang	6.0 ft overhang	1.5 ft
Lighting power density (W/sf)	0.50, with daylight control	0.90, with daylight control	4 levels

# Thermal Bridging

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- Focus is on assembly performance
  - ▣ Must account for total energy transfer
  - ▣ Penetrations act as conduits for energy
- Steel-frame wall
  - ▣ Cavity insulation
  - ▣ R-13 @ 16" o.c. = R-6.0 effective
  - ▣ R-19 @ 16" o.c. = R-7.1 effective
- Fenestration
  - ▣ Not just center-of-glass performance
  - ▣ Must account for frame

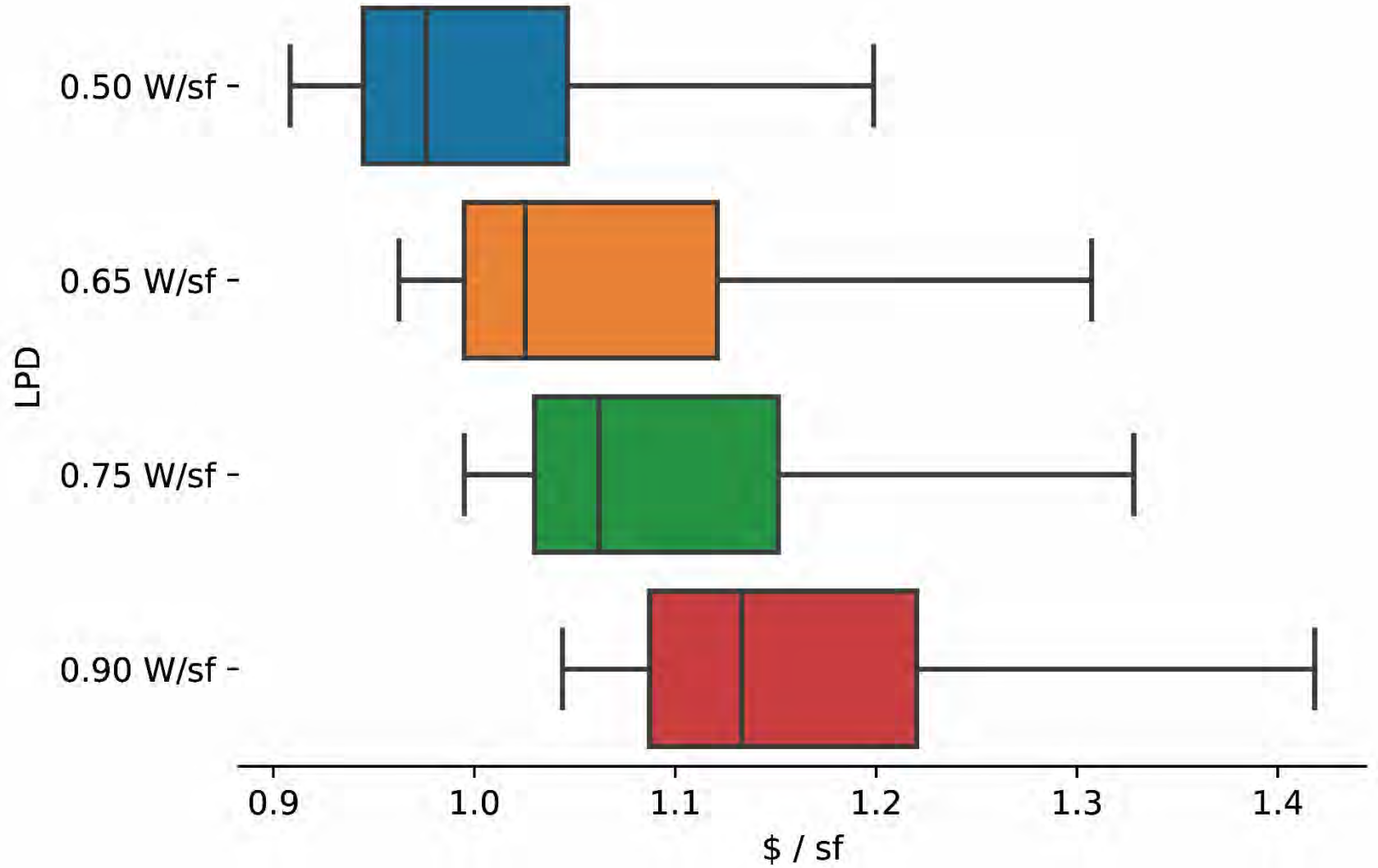


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## LIGHTING POWER DENSITY

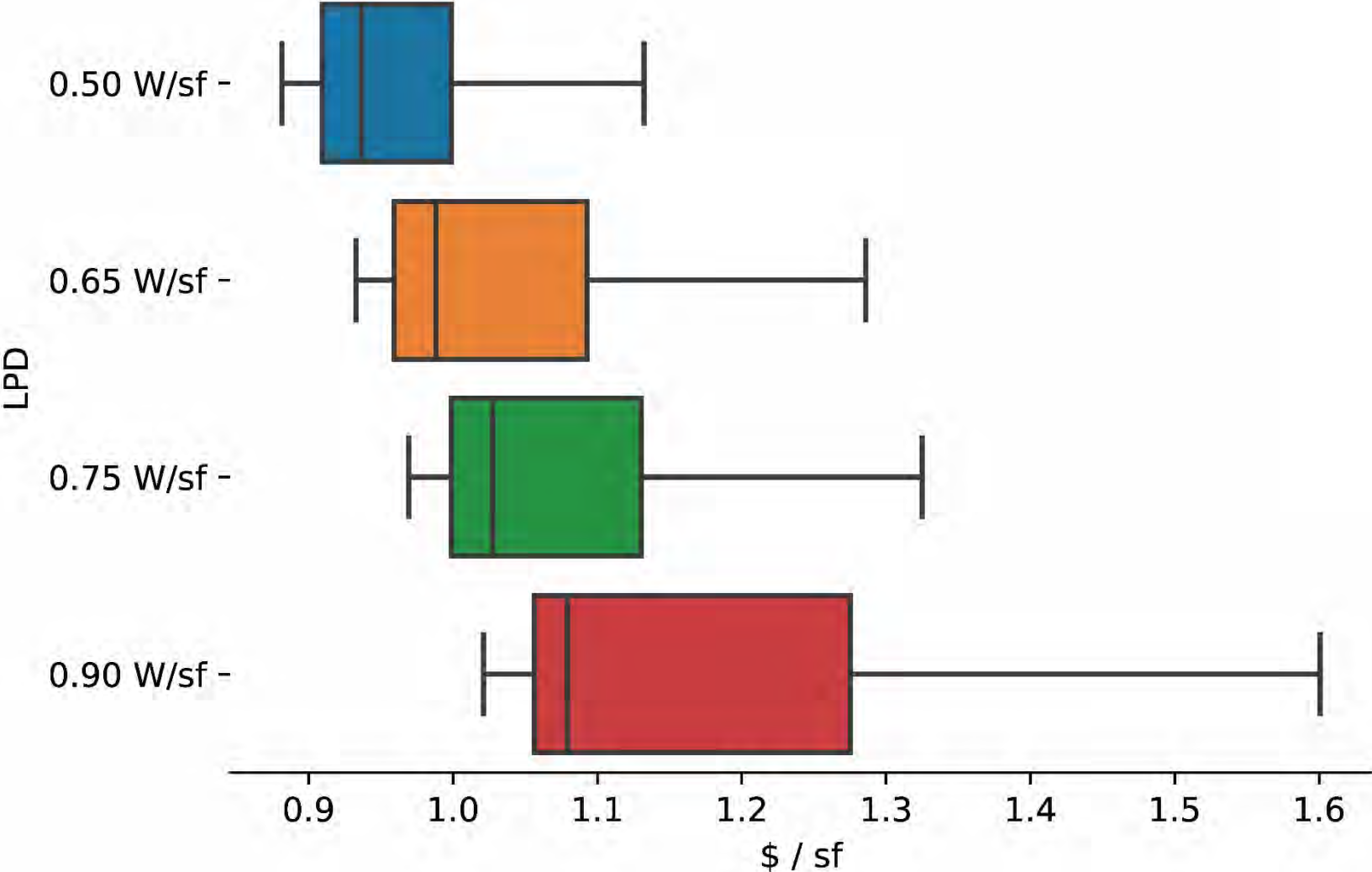
Strong correlation to lower installed lighting power density with reduced energy and operational carbon emissions.

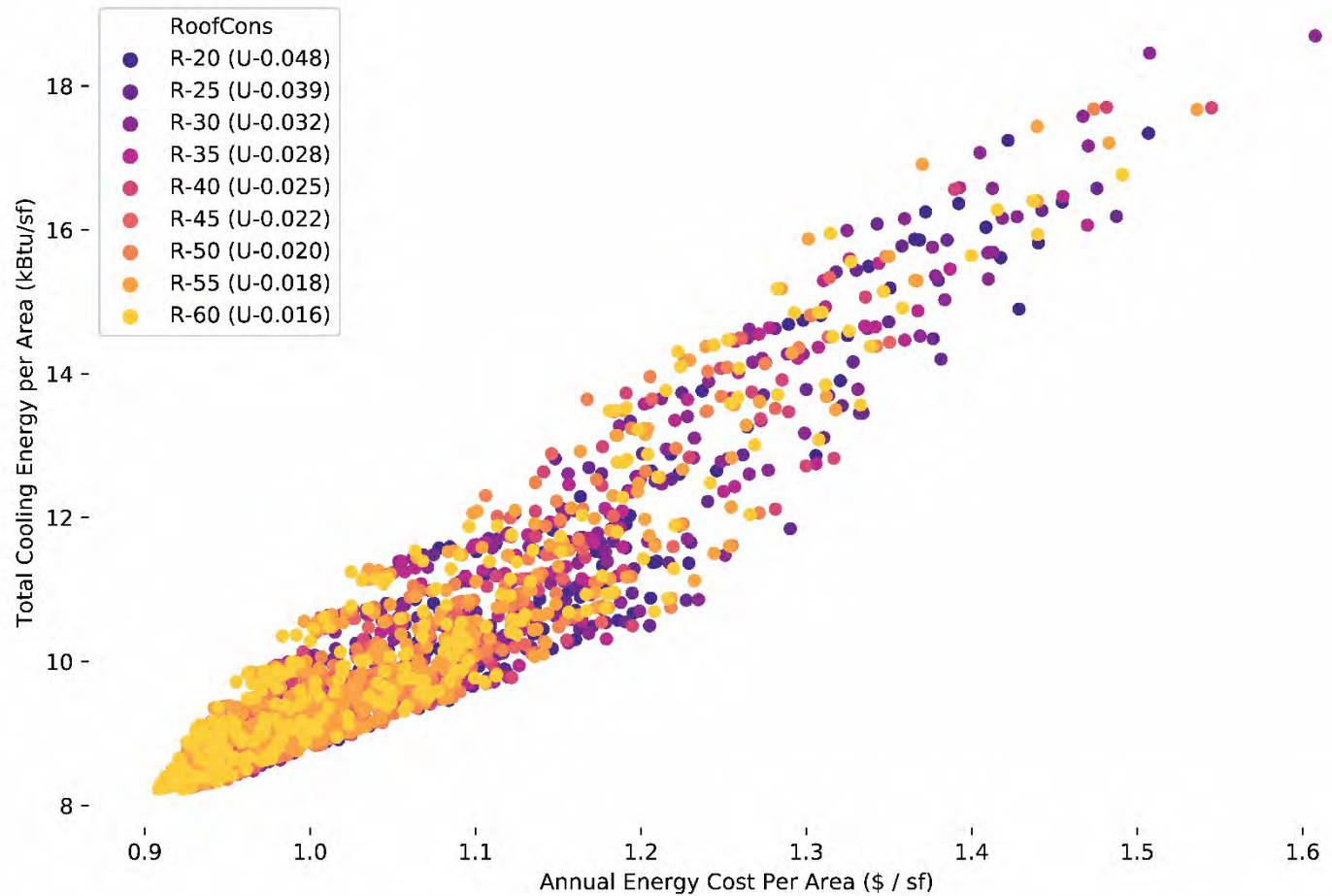
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# Three-Story





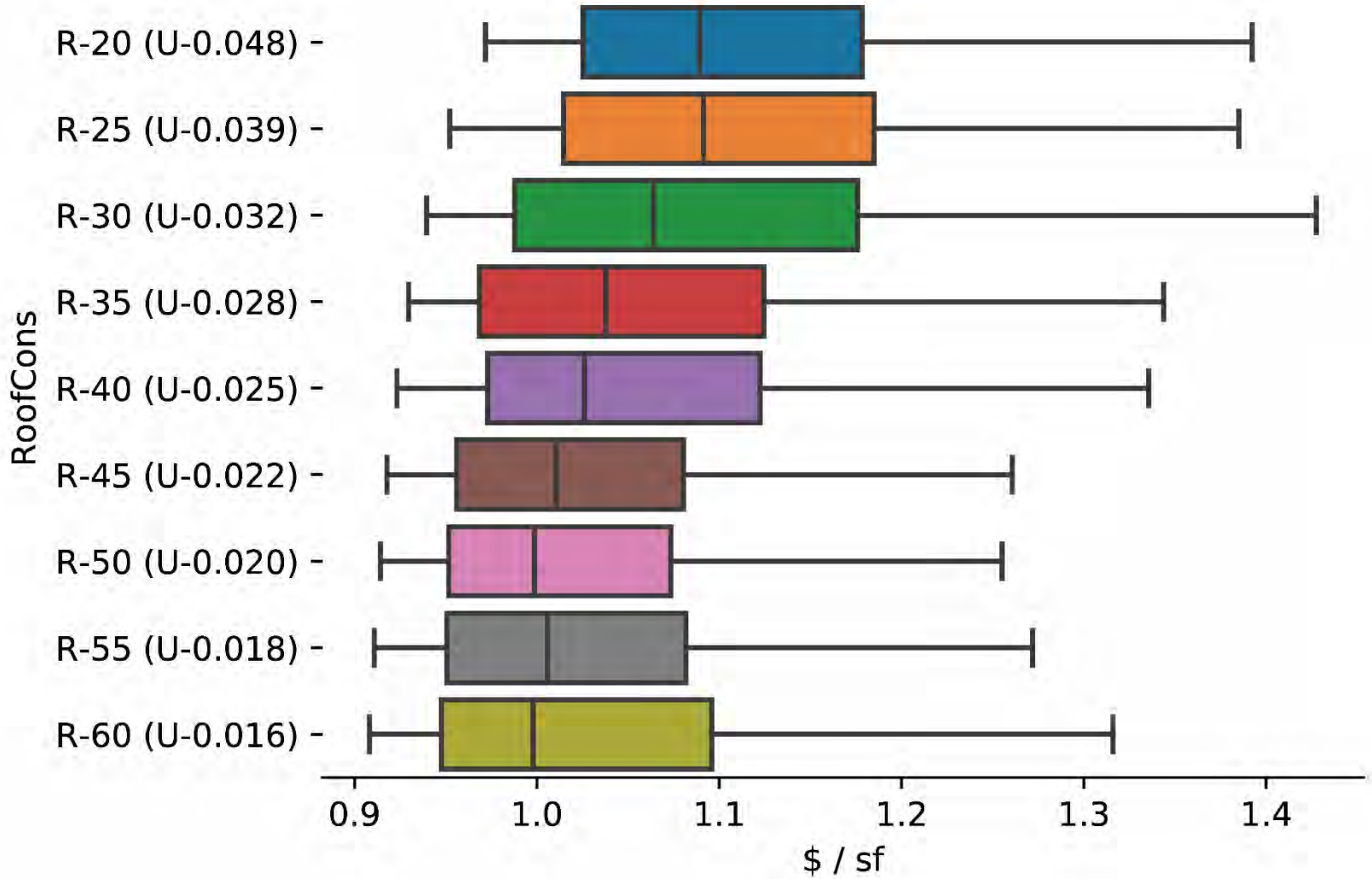
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## ROOF INSULATION

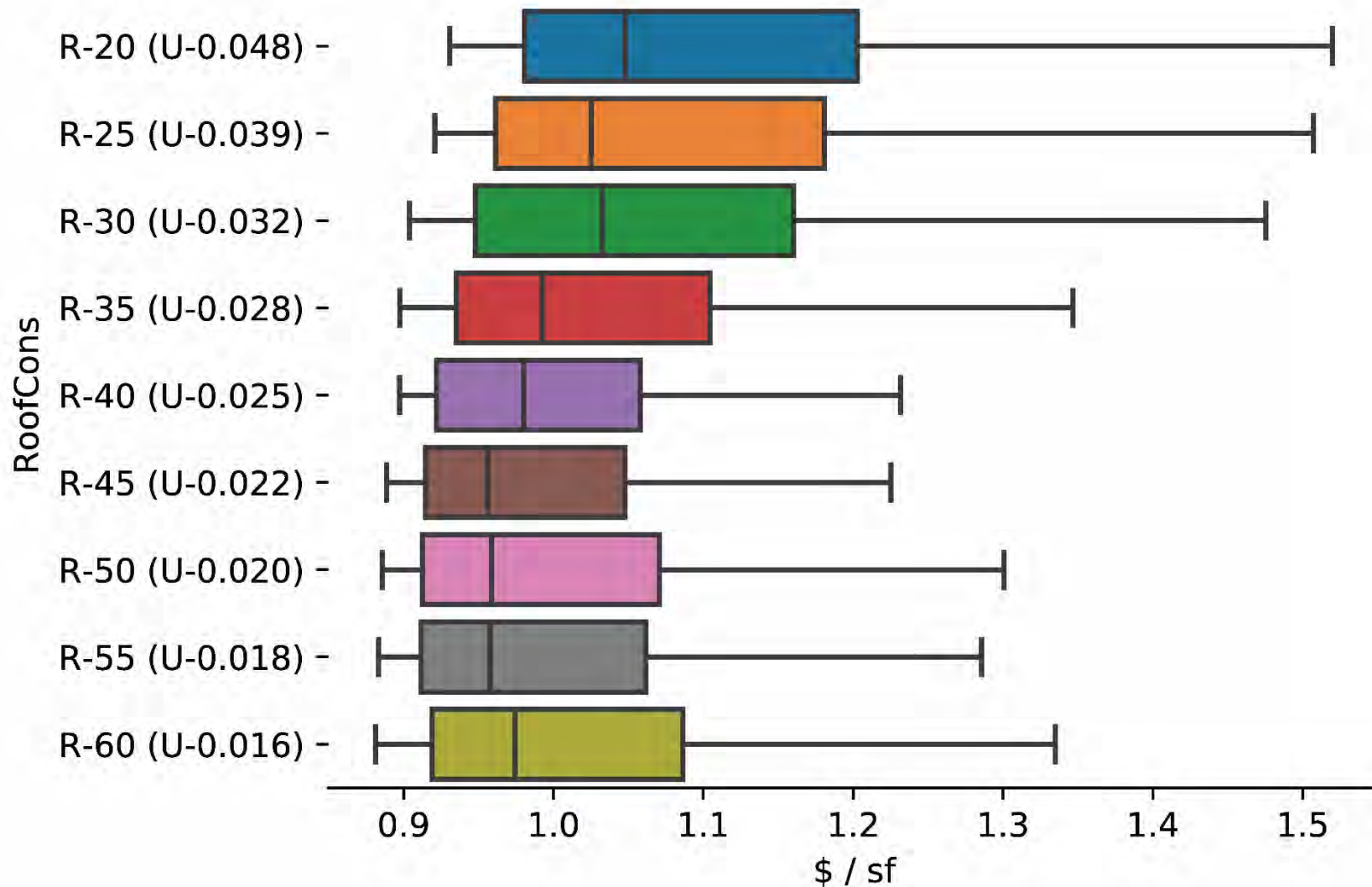
Despite large roof area compared to internal volume roof insulation above R-35 is not strongly correlated to overall performance.

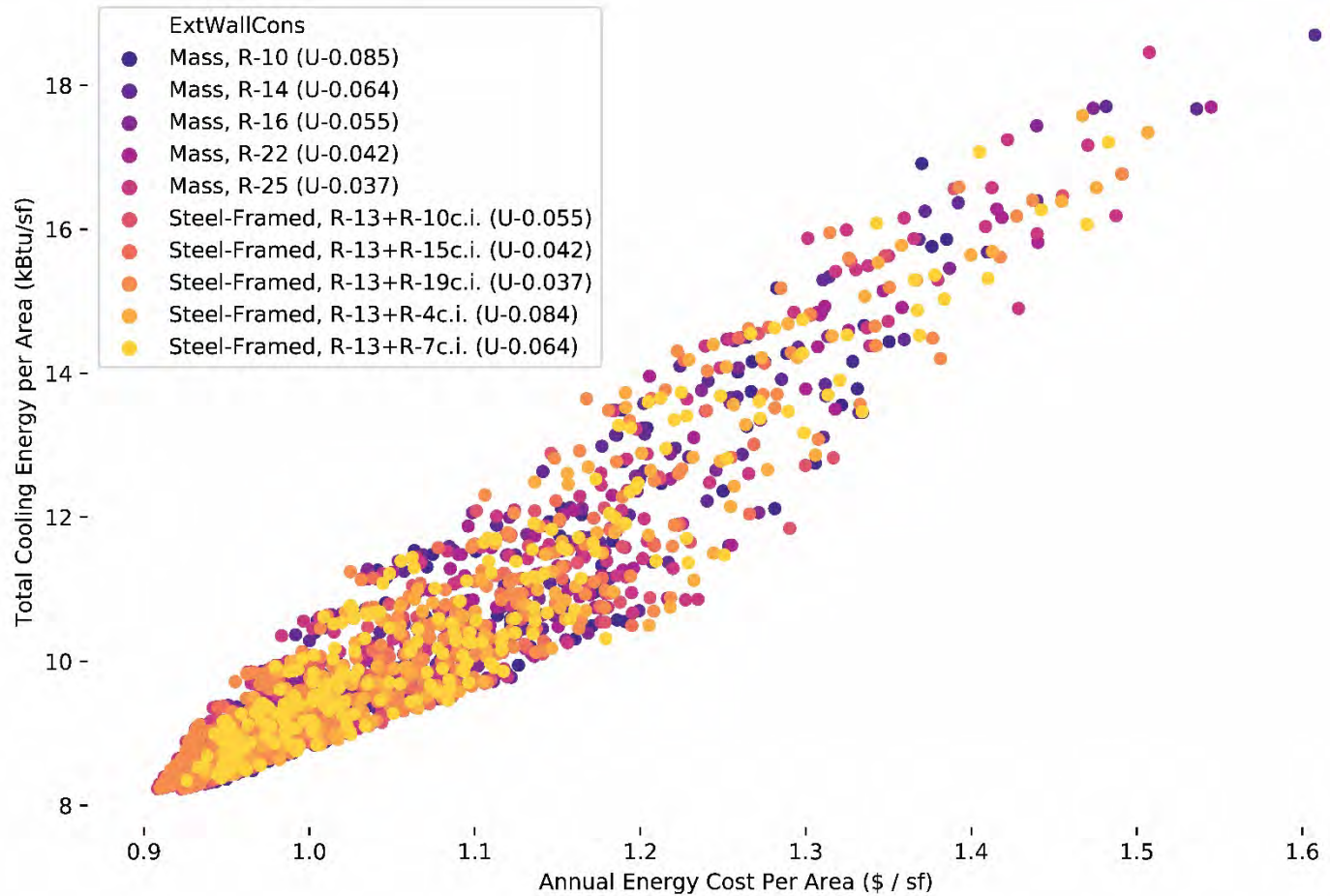
Ultra-high insulation results in higher energy consumption

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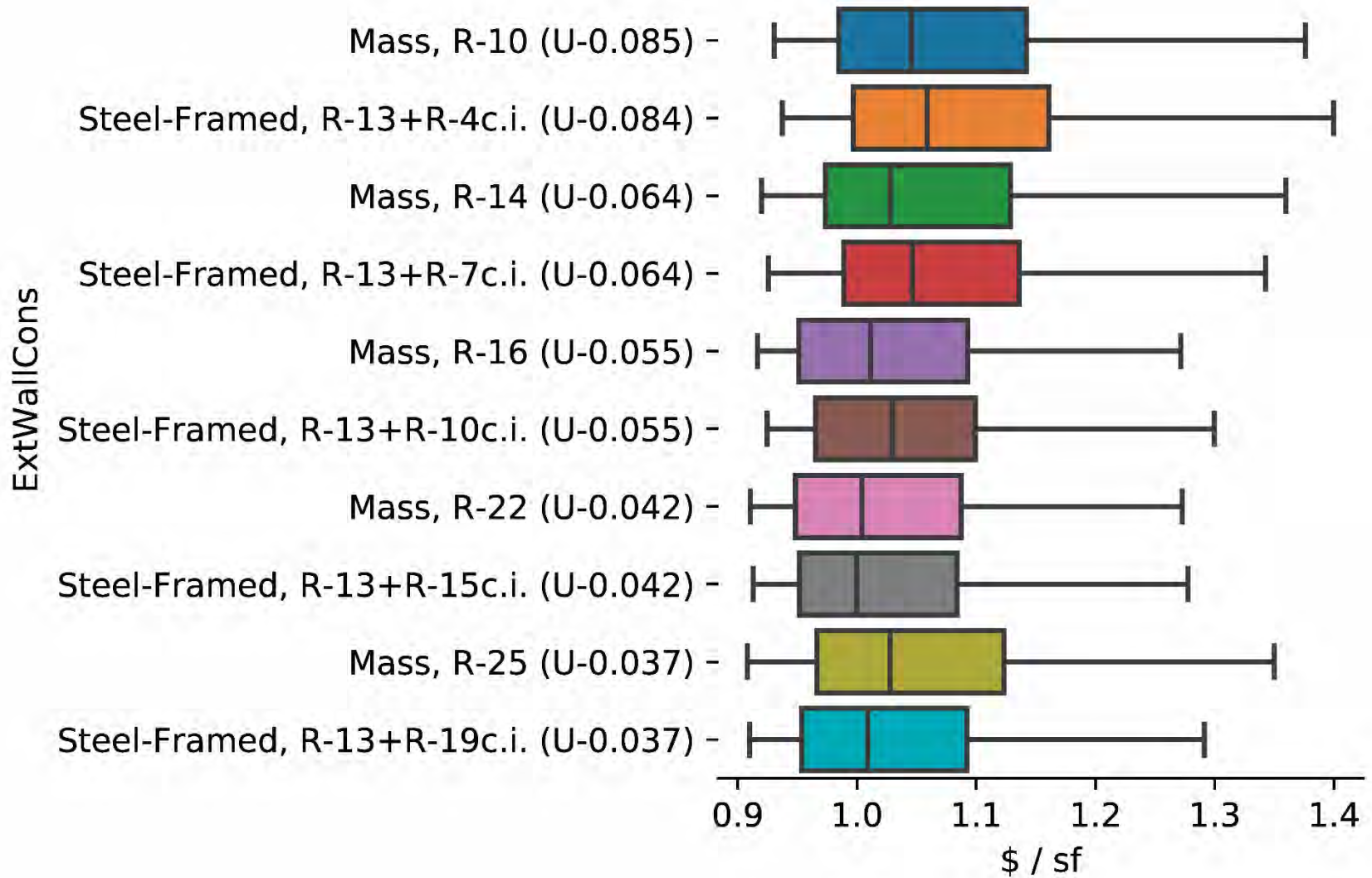


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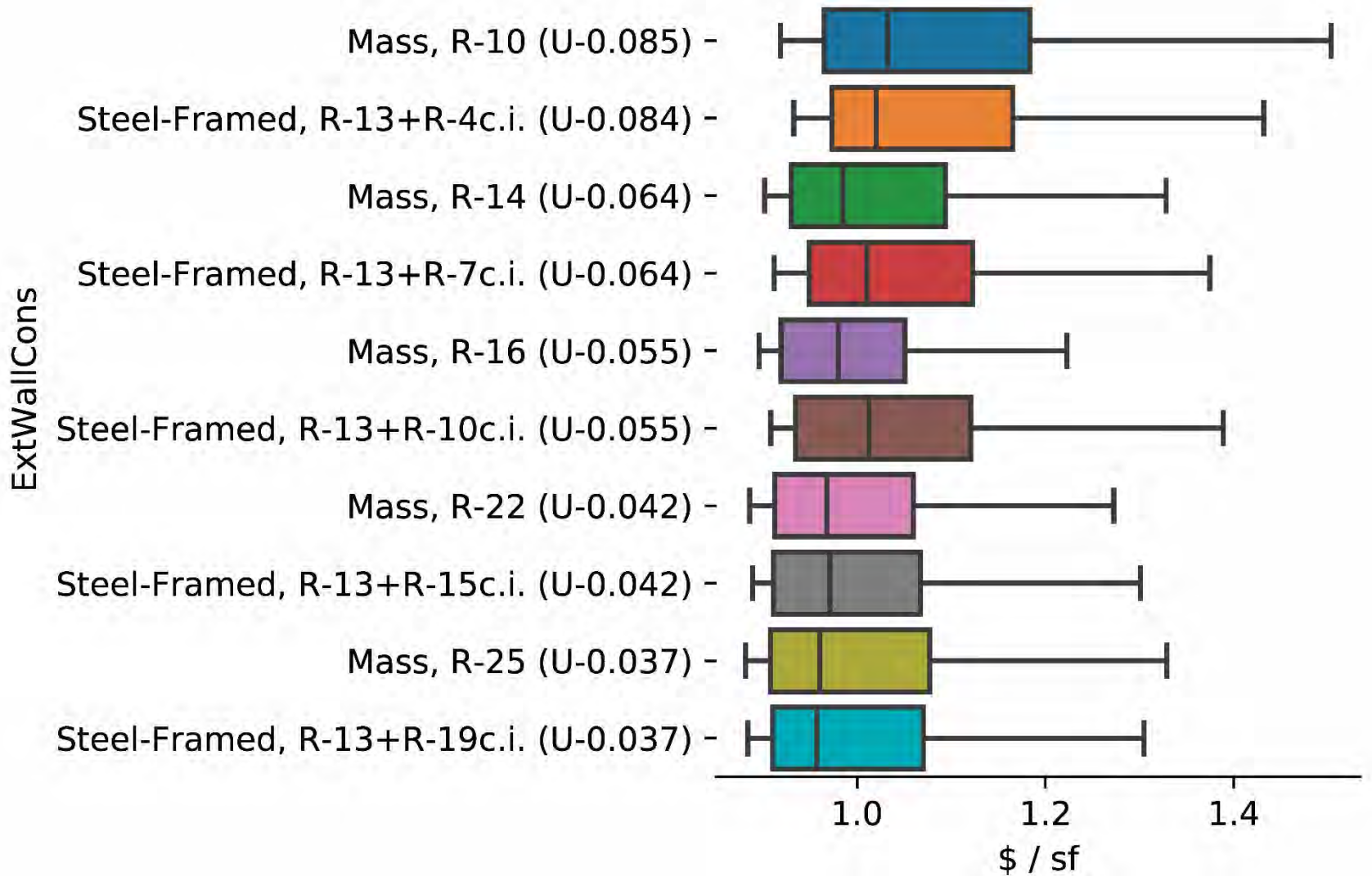
## WALL INSULATION

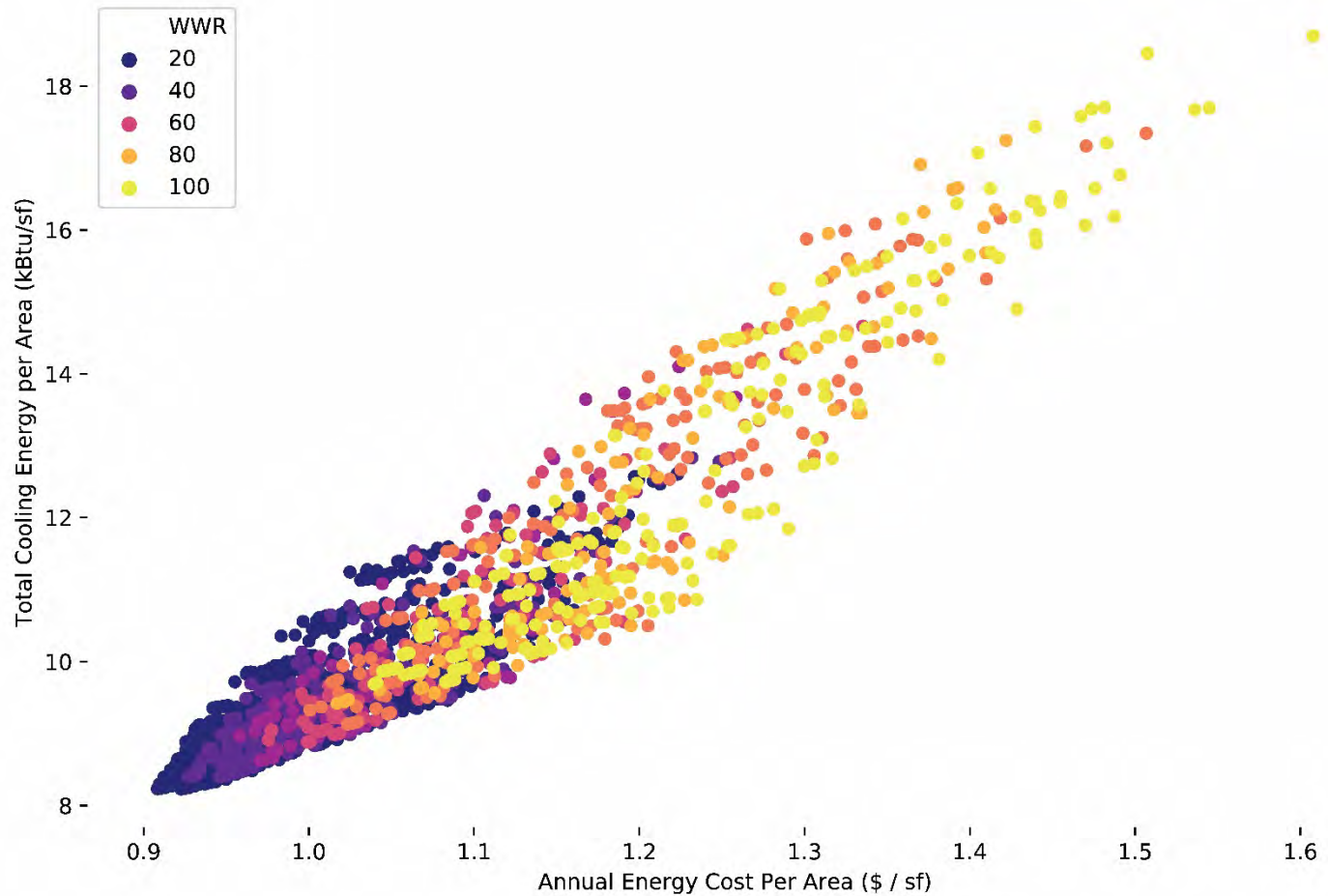
Minor impact of wall insulation increases above U-0.064  
 Mass walls are slightly better at lower insulation levels

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# Three-Story





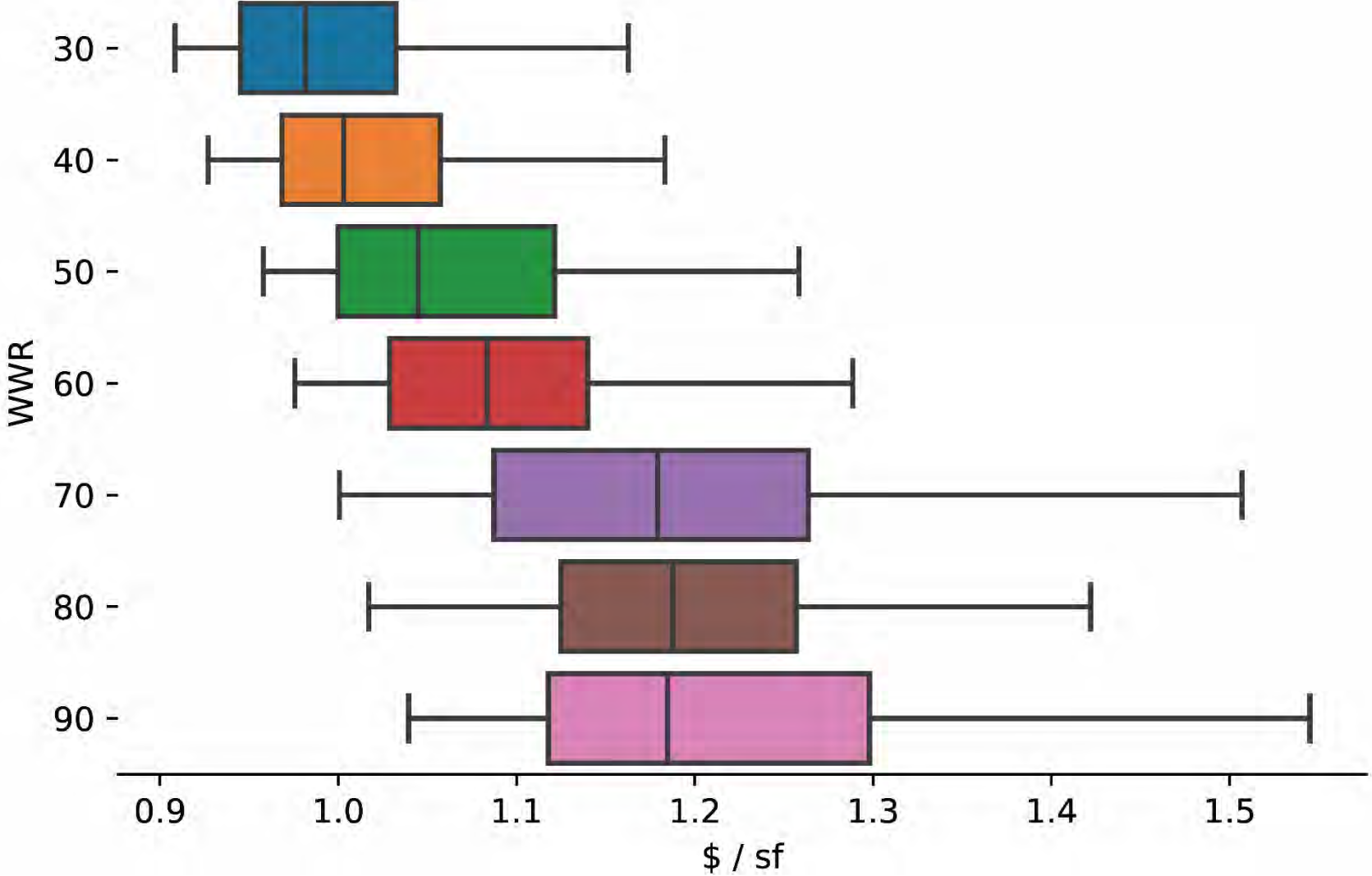
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## WINDOW-TO-WALL RATIO

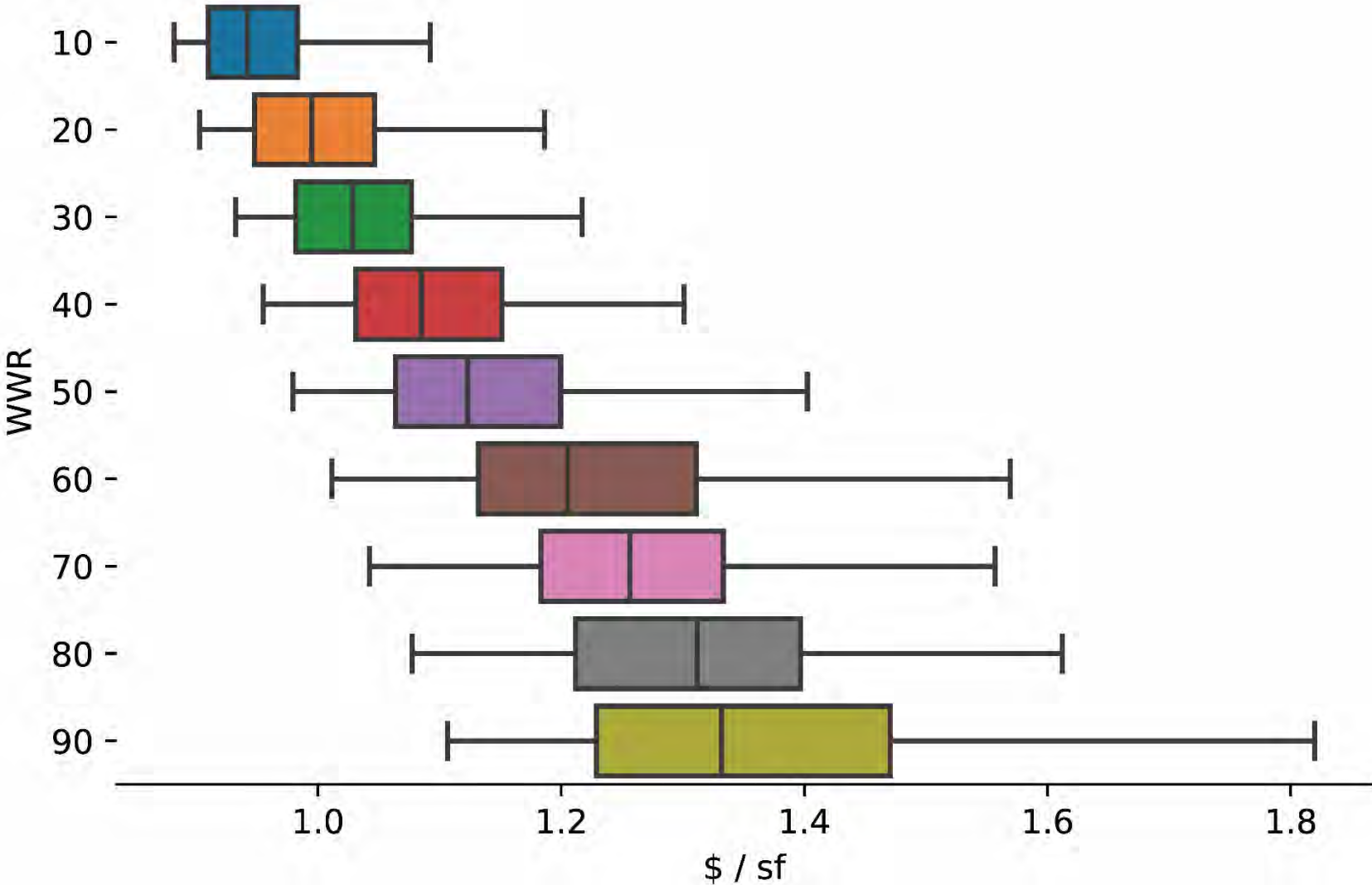
Lower office window-to-wall ratio results in lower total energy and annual operational carbon emissions.

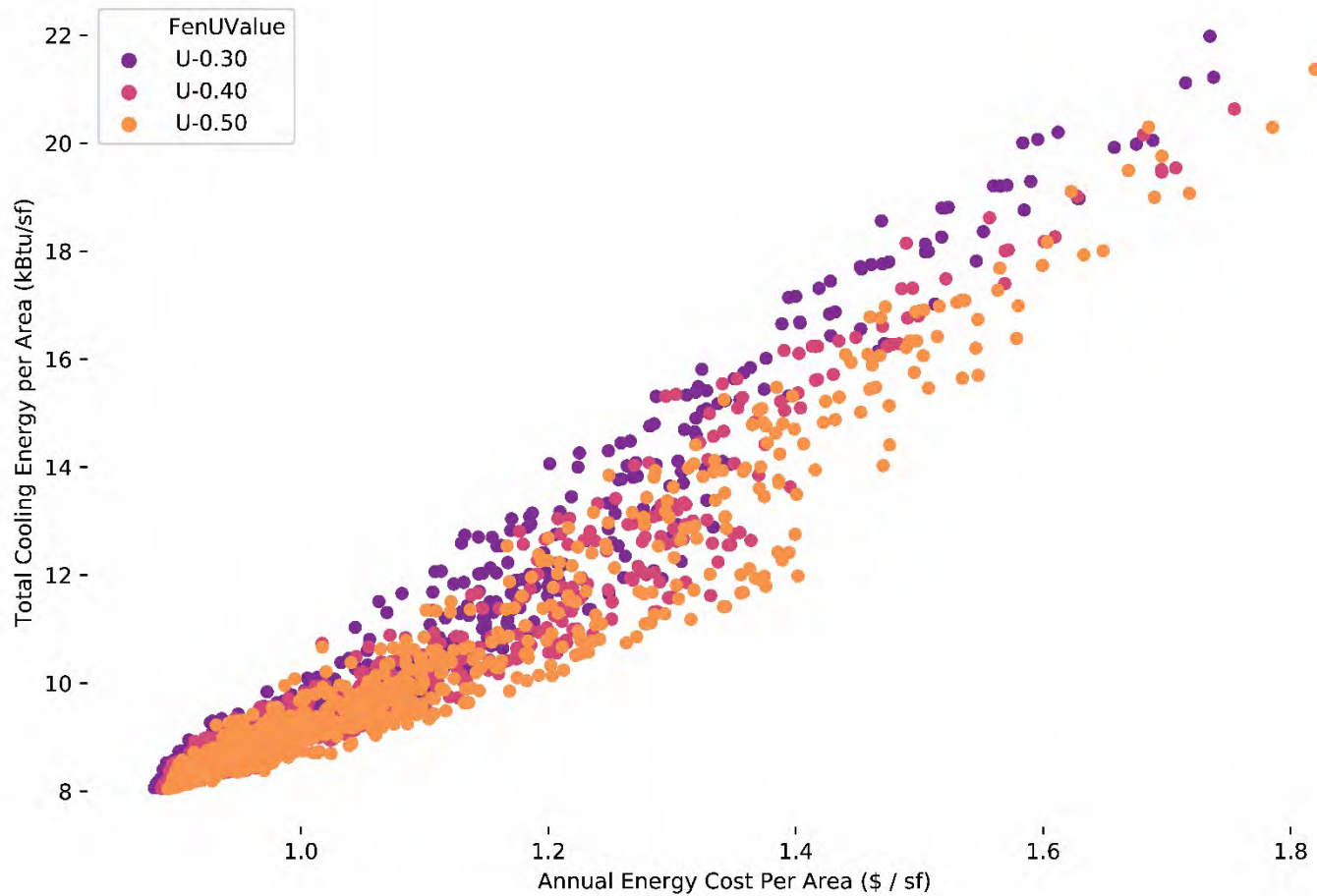


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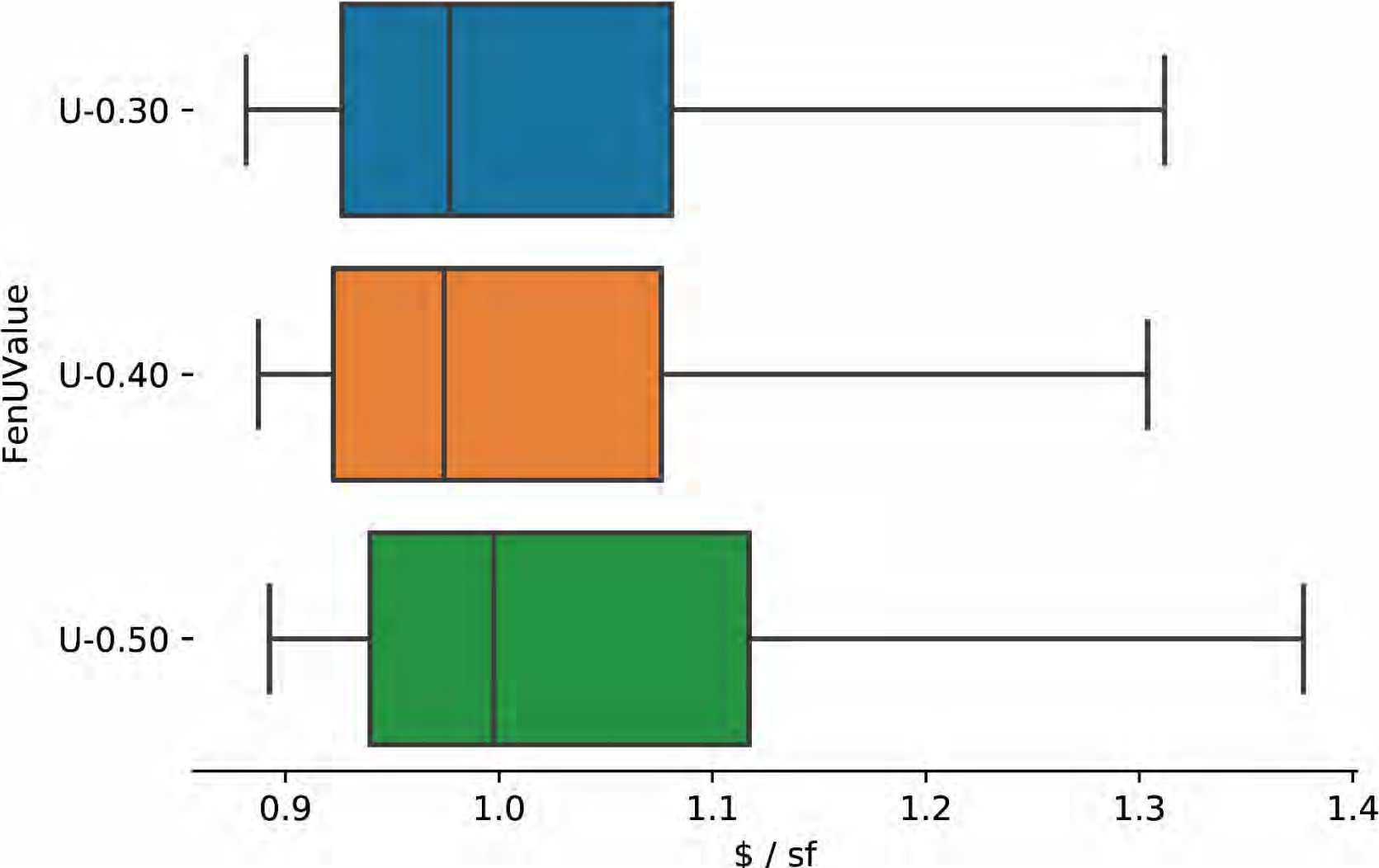
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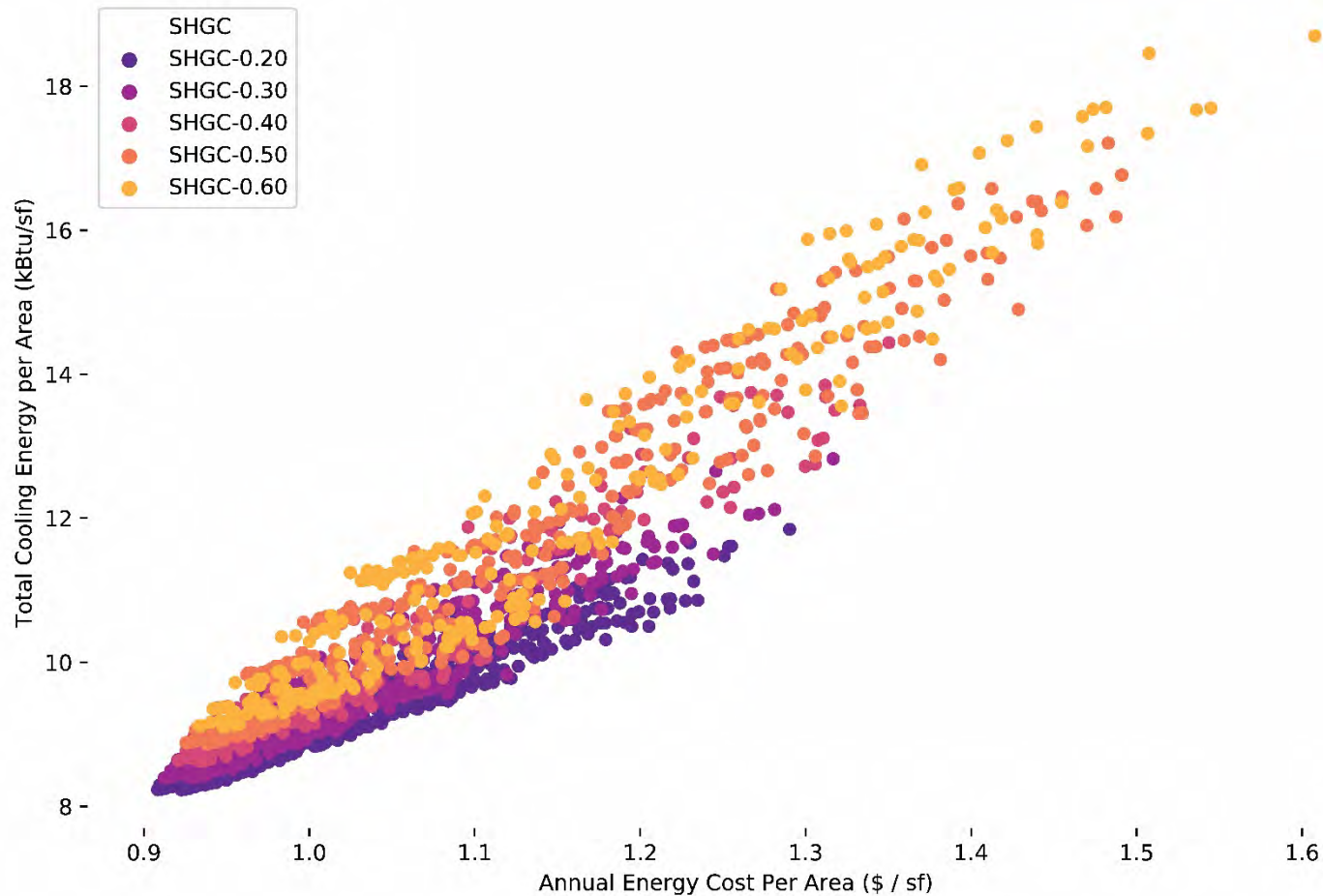
## FENESTRATION U-VALUE

Slight improvement at U-0.40

Minimal improvement below U-0.40

# Two-Story/Three-Story



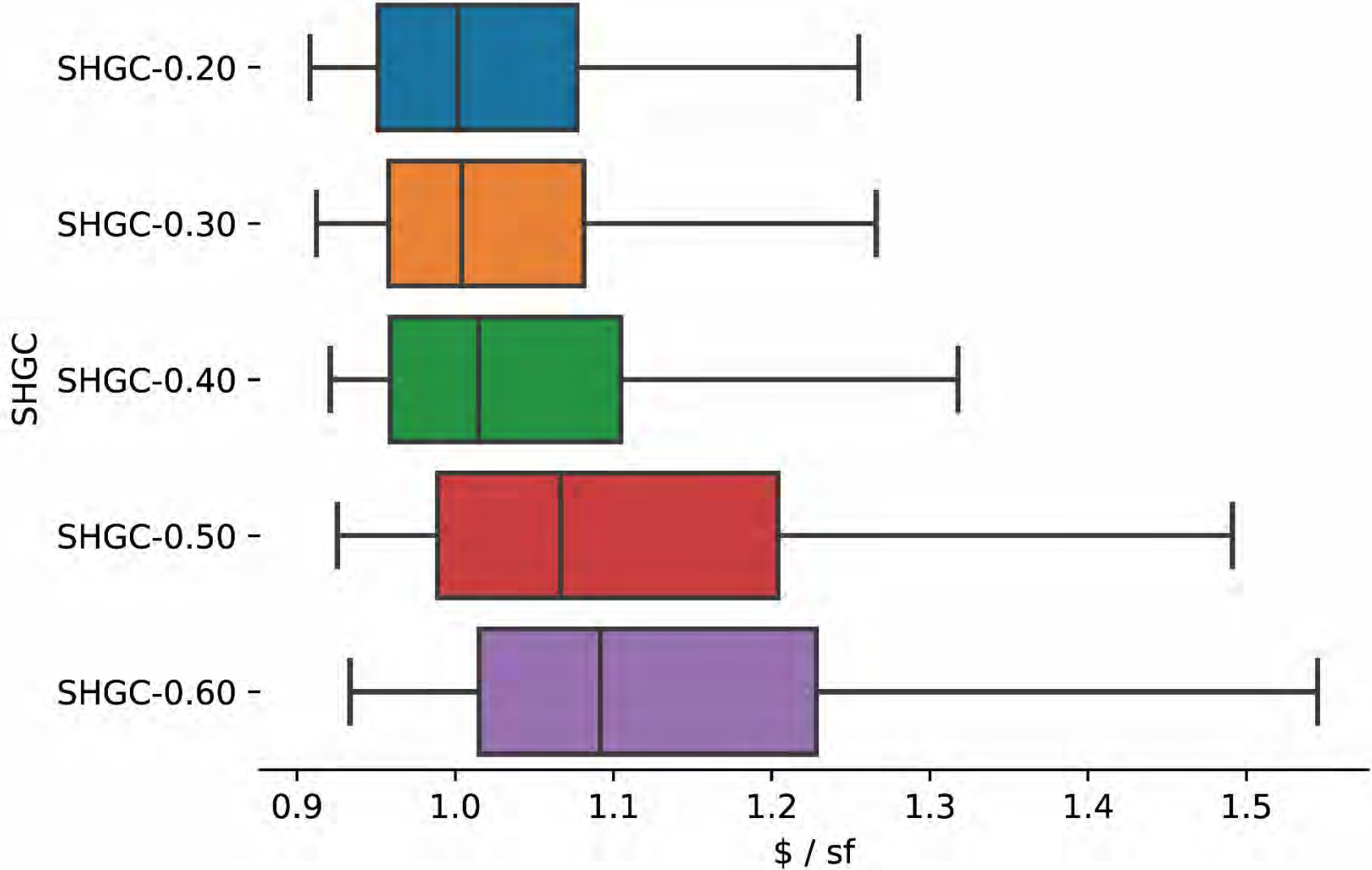


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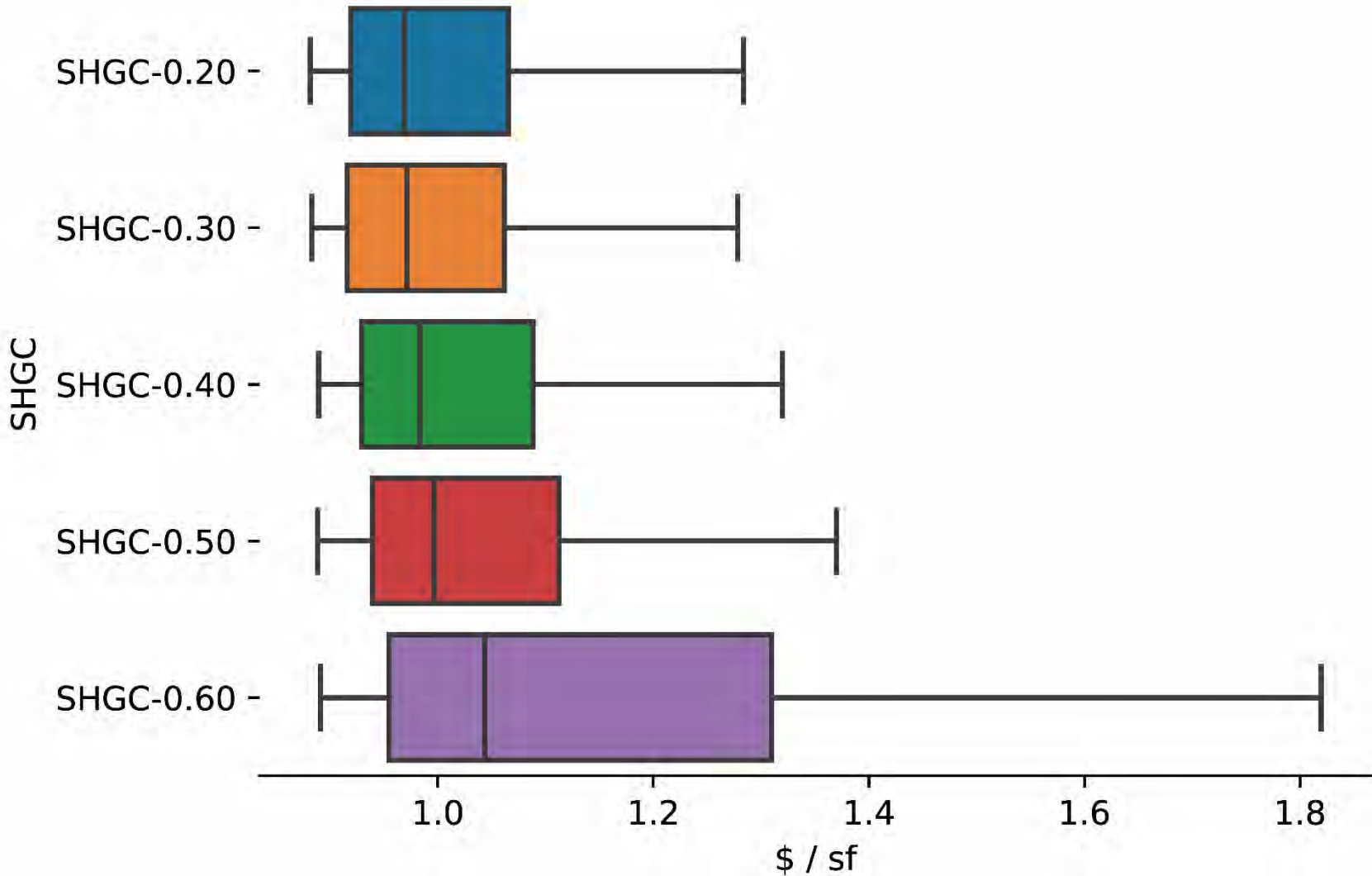
## SOLAR HEAT GAIN COEFFICIENT (SHGC)

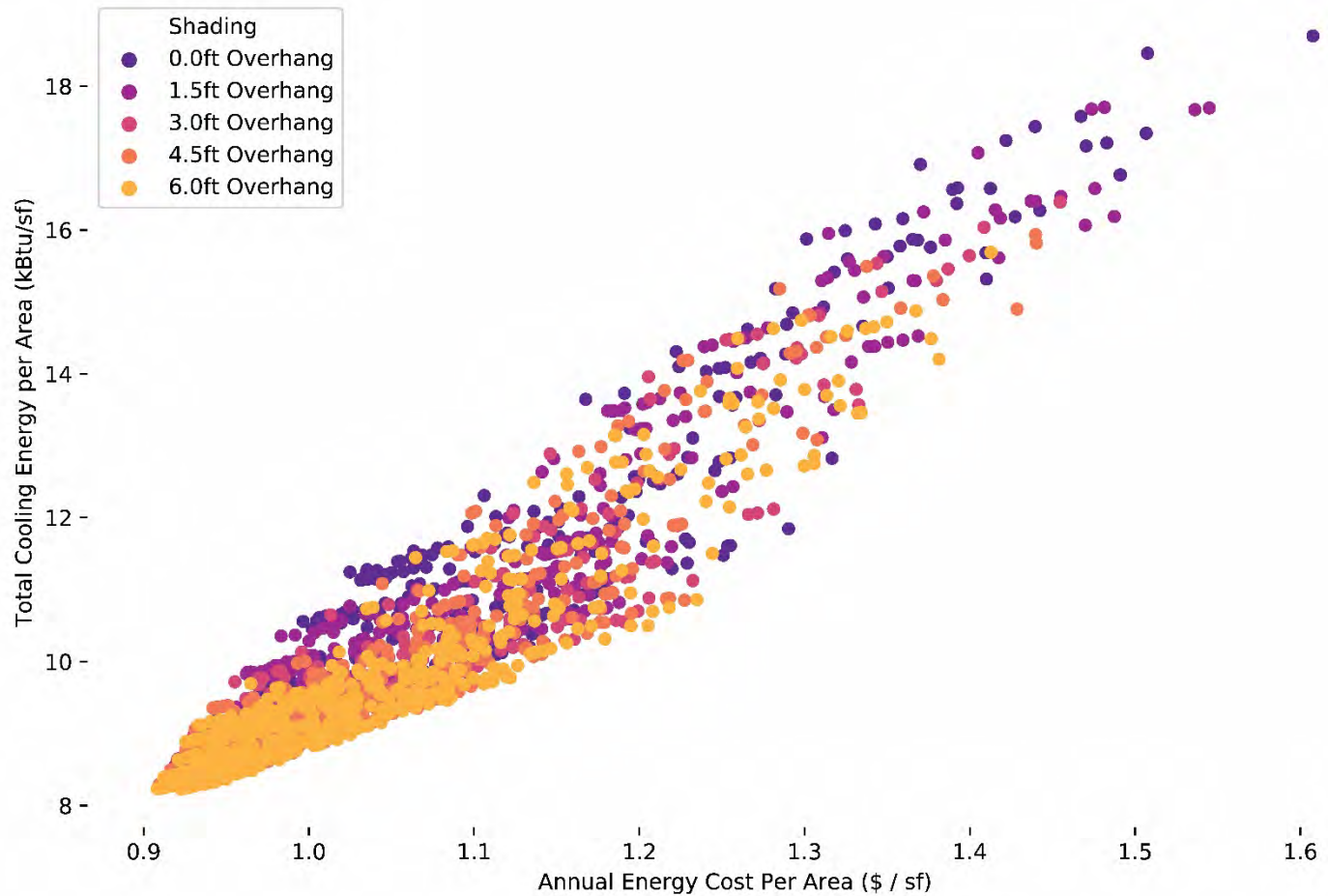
Moderate SHGC values, between 0.20 and 0.40 result in the better performing combinations

# Two-Story



# Three-Story





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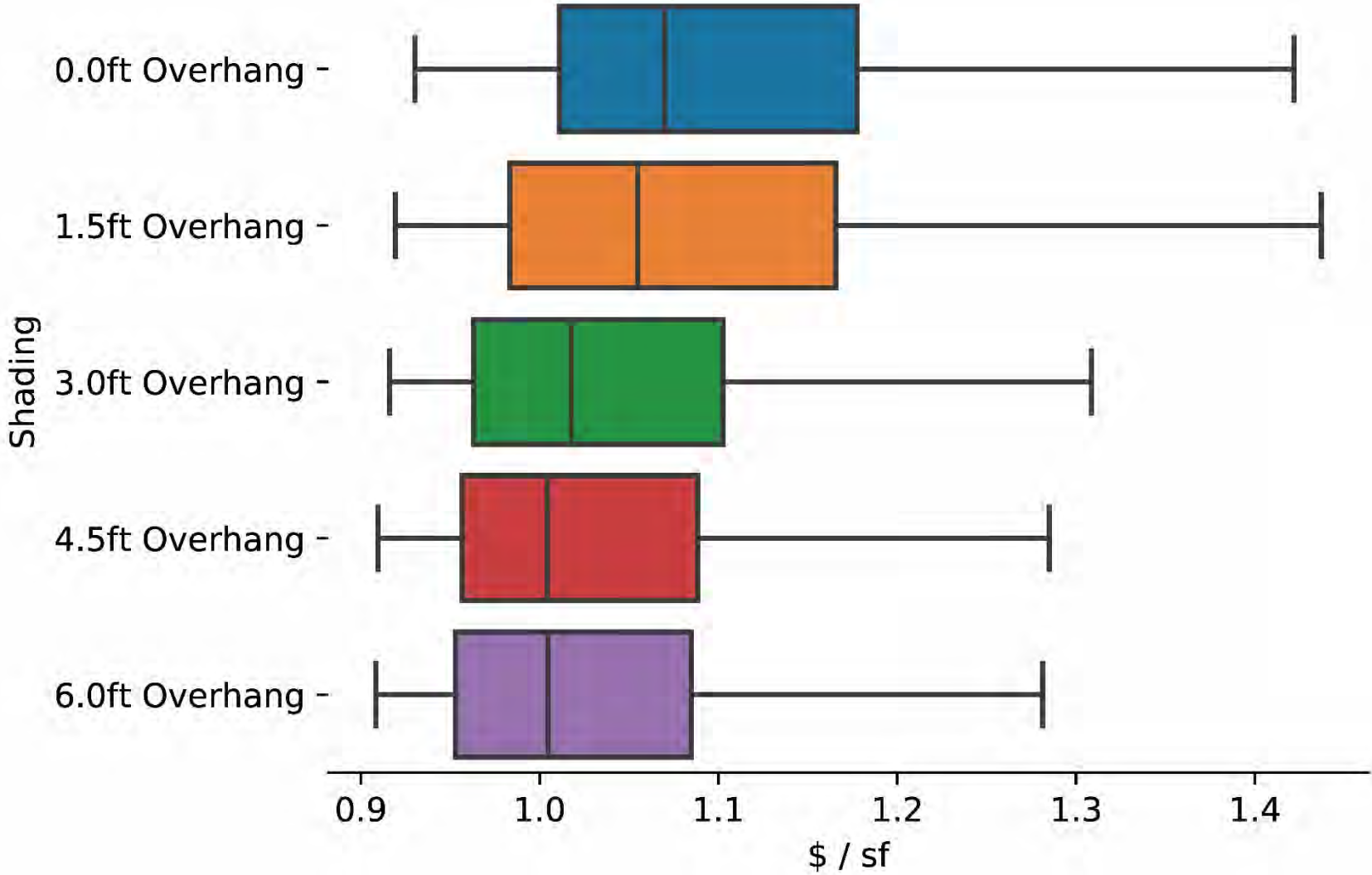
## EXTERIOR SHADING

Moderate overhang depths perform better than no overhang or very deep overhang

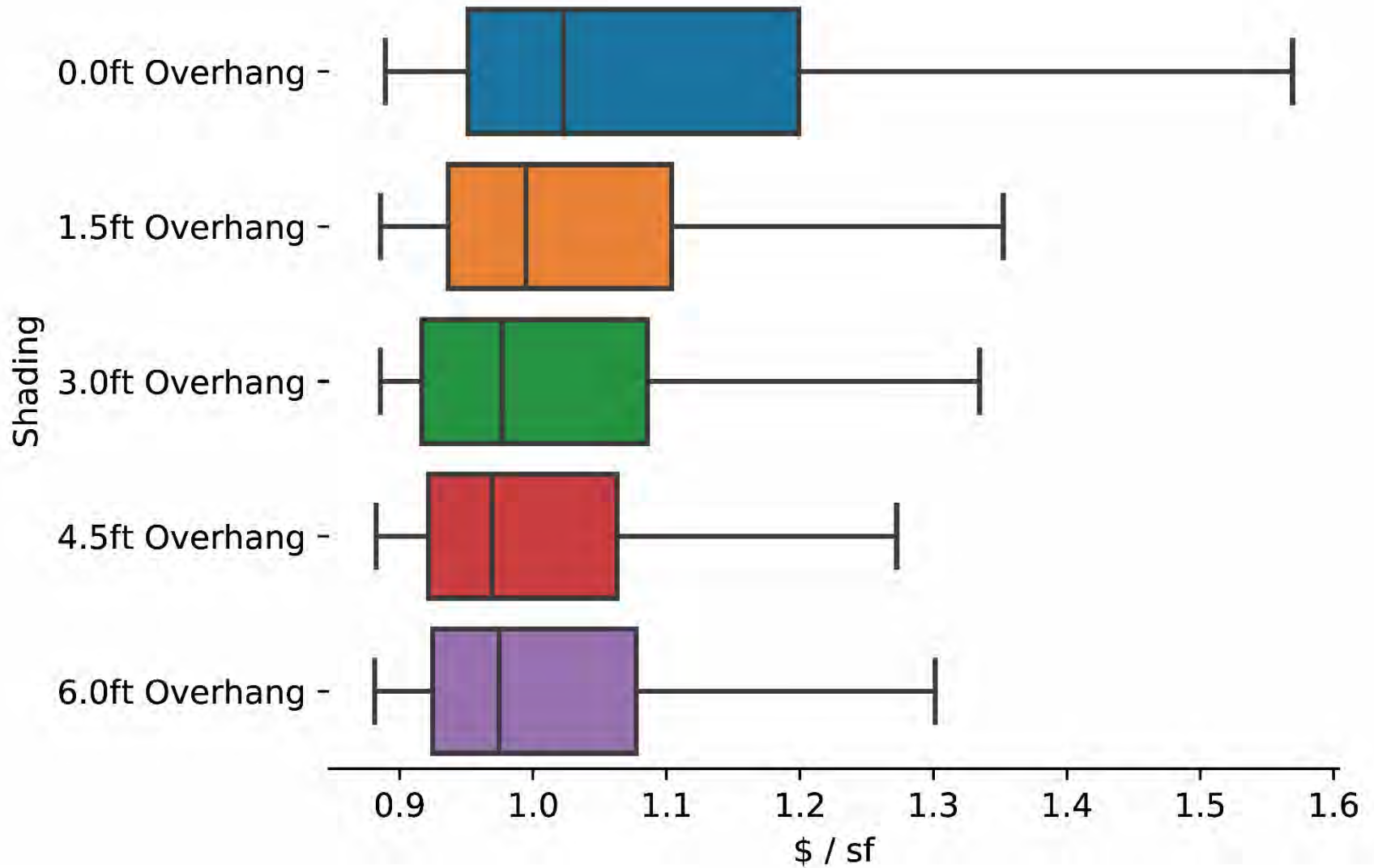
Could also be achieved via setback



# Two-Story



# Three-Story



# Summary: Impactful Parameters

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Parameter	Minimum	Maximum
Lighting power density: (W/sf)	Low as feasible	
Roof insulation	R-30	R-35
Window to wall ratio:	Low as feasible	
Fenestration U-value	0.30	0.40
Solar heat gain coefficient	0.20	0.40
Shading	1.5ft	3.0ft

- Higher roof insulation capital and carbon costs become unattractive
- No substantial difference between mass wall and steel framed wall at recommended insulation
- Does not account for indoor environment quality or occupant comfort impact

LUNCH BREAK

# Breakout Groups

# Design Strategies

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- Brainstorming Session
  - ▣ Group 1: Envelope/Passive Design/Water
  - ▣ Group 2: HVAC/Energy Systems/Lighting
- Group Member Roles
  - ▣ Facilitator: Keeps group on-track, on-time, and makes sure everyone participates
  - ▣ Recordkeeper: Fills out worksheet and confirms all topics are being discussed
  - ▣ Reporter: Summarizes group discussion and worksheet contents at end of activity

# Report & Discussion

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- Each group shares goals and design strategies discussed during their breakout session
- Let's consolidate the highlights of each group and create master strategy list
- Which of these should be tested in the energy model?

# Next Steps

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- Compile today's ideas and share with whole project team via meeting minutes
- Determine important upcoming dates
  - ▣ Preliminary Energy Modeling report
  - ▣ Future phase drawings issued
  - ▣ Future energy modeling report