

How to ENLITEN on Energy

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PassivHaus Buildings

- ▶ PassivHaus: well-controlled in *almost* every element.

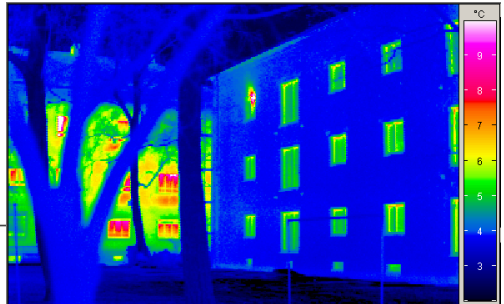
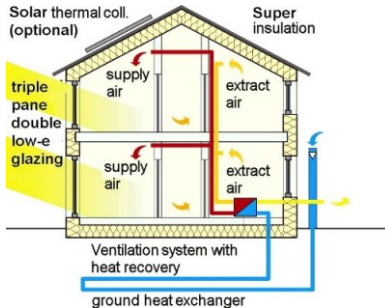
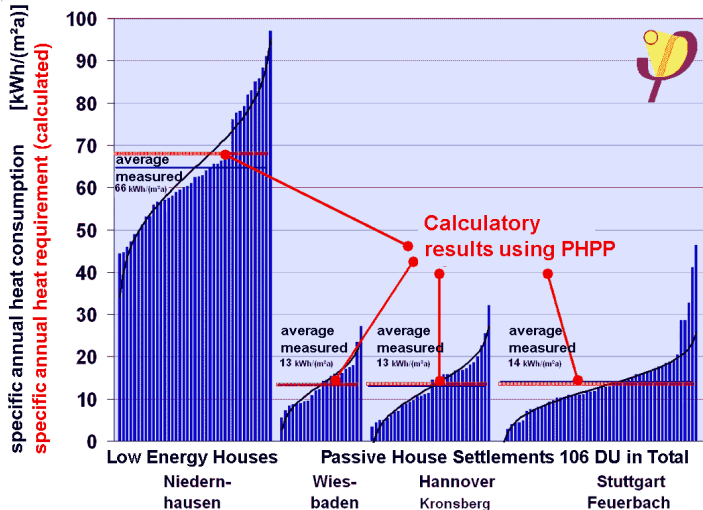


Figure: http://passipedia.passiv.de/passipedia_en

Energy Consumption in Passive Houses



The Final Building Component

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 - ▶ Particularly for high-end outliers. . .

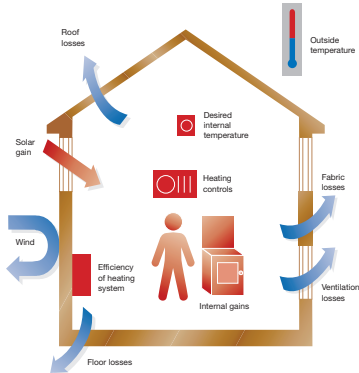
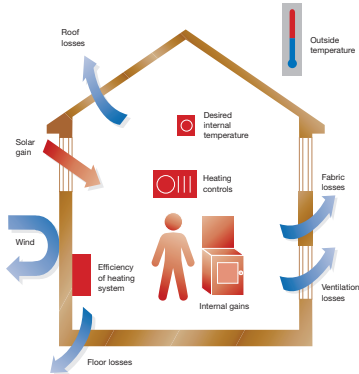


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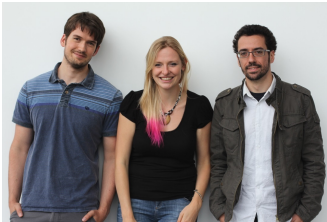


The Occupant!

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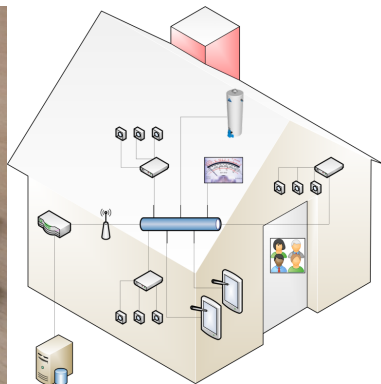
ENergy Literacy Through an Intelligent Home ENergy Advisor

To reduce carbon emissions from energy use in dwellings by developing a **low-cost intelligent** home energy advisor that will provide **actionable prompts** to households that they can use to save money and energy.



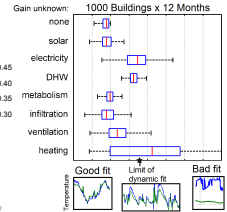
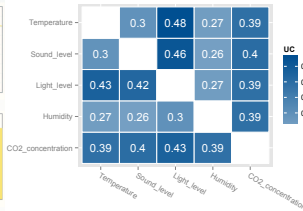
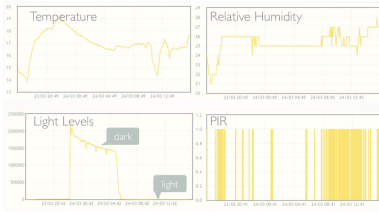
Energy Sensor Infrastructure

- ▶ model domestic buildings' thermal properties using data from low-cost sensor networks in each building.



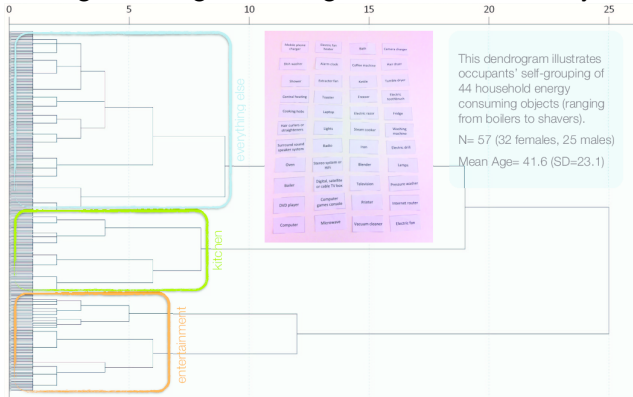
Dynamic Building Energy Model

- ▶ Developing a novel intelligent system that builds and maintains a dynamic building energy model,
 - ▶ including an auto-generated thermal model.



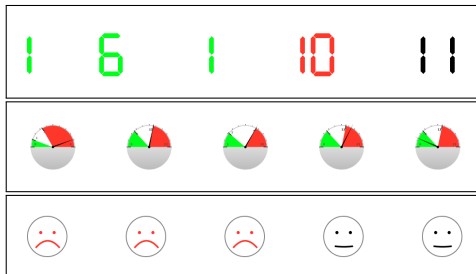
Building Occupant Model

- ▶ Understanding of the role of habit in occupants' energy demand and attitudes to carbon saving.
- ▶ drawing on a range of sensing and human data analysis.



In-Building Interactive Tool (iBERT)

- ▶ A unique whole building energy model, bringing together the building energy and occupant models.
 - ▶ Interactive tool to help identify and improve energy habits.
 - ▶ Providing customised, actionable prompts rather than poorly understood numerical energy estimates.



The Bottom Line

How can we help deliver the full potential of PassivHaus?

- ▶ Digital technologies are extremely good at producing information.
- ▶ But information \neq feedback.
- ▶ Feedback needs to be tailored, meaningful and immediate.
- ▶ We need to understand how each household “uses energy” to understand what feedback we should provide.

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Welcome to the ENLITEN project

[ENLITEN](#) is a multi-disciplinary collaborative research project between the Universities of Bath and Oxford.

Our aim is to reduce carbon emissions from energy use within buildings by understanding, incentivising and influencing changes in the habitual behaviours of the buildings' occupants. This project brings together expertise from a range of disciplines including: low carbon design; architecture and civil engineering; electronic and electrical engineering; computer science; environmental psychology; and habitual behaviour. In achieving this aim we will meet five key objectives:

- [Dynamic Building Energy Model](#)

Our approach will model domestic buildings' thermal properties using data obtained from low cost sensor networks installed within each building. This will lead to the development of a novel intelligent system that builds and maintains a dynamic building energy model, including an auto-generated thermal model.

- [Building Occupant Model](#)

We will develop an unprecedented understanding of the role of habit in occupants' energy demand and attitudes to carbon saving. We will draw on a wide range of automated sensing and human data analysis. This will give occupants insight into their own energy consuming behaviours, in particular those which are performed automatically.

- [In-Building Interactive Tool \(BERT\)](#)

A unique whole building energy model will be developed by bringing together the building energy and occupant models. This will underpin the design, development and evaluation of an in-building interactive tool to help the occupants identify and break poor energy habits and form better ones. The tool will provide customised, actionable prompts rather than numerical energy estimates, which are poorly understood by occupants.



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