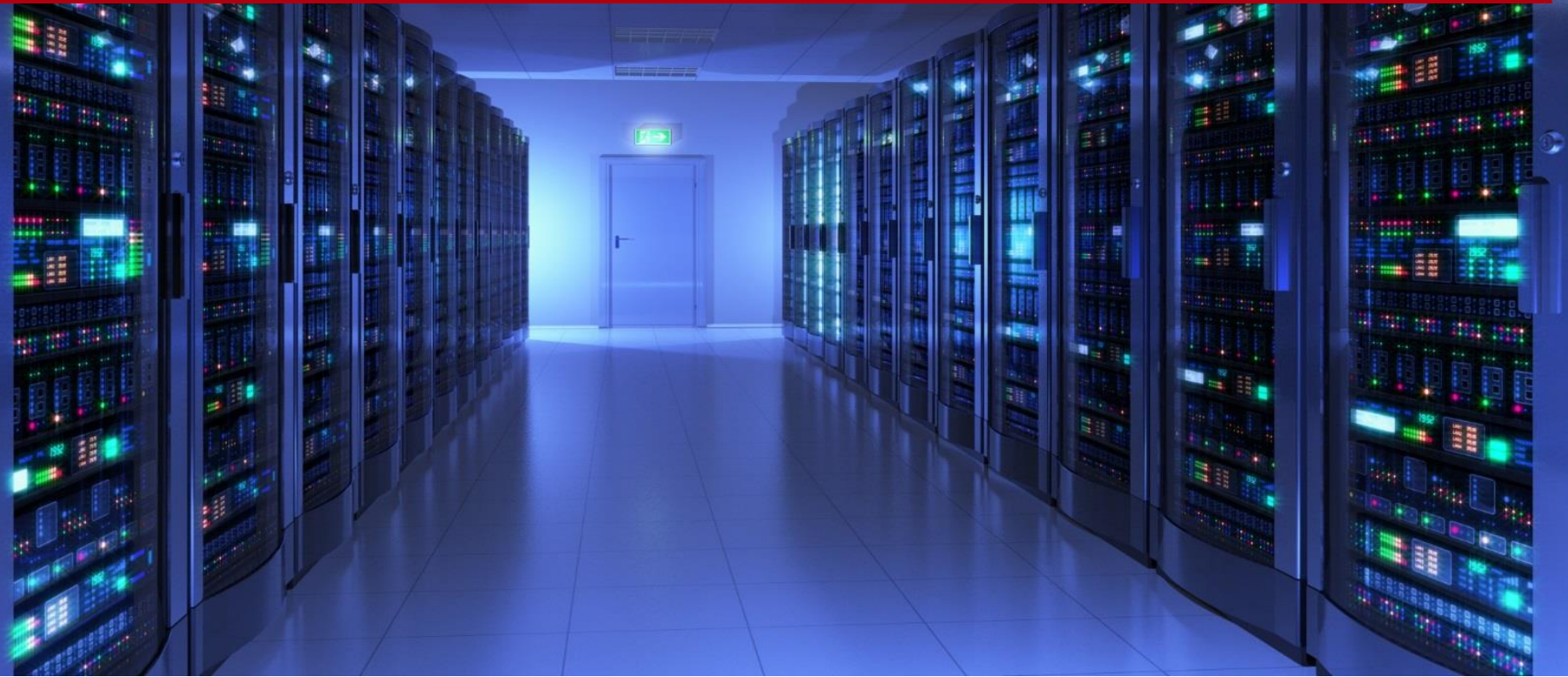


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# High Efficient Data Center Cooling

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# Danfoss Cooling to address global challenges





# Sustainable Cooling



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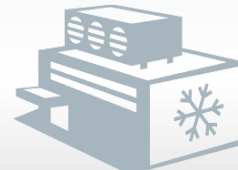
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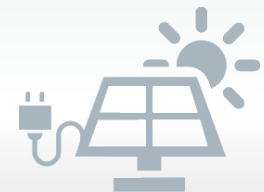
## Solutions for a more sustainable outdoor climate



**Smart buildings**



**Refrigeration**



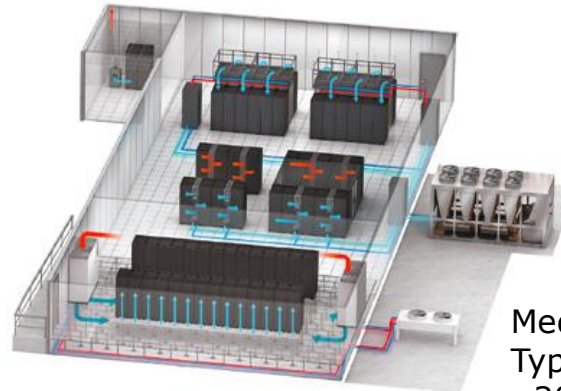
**Renewables**

# Data Center Cooling

- High cooling loads => High savings potential



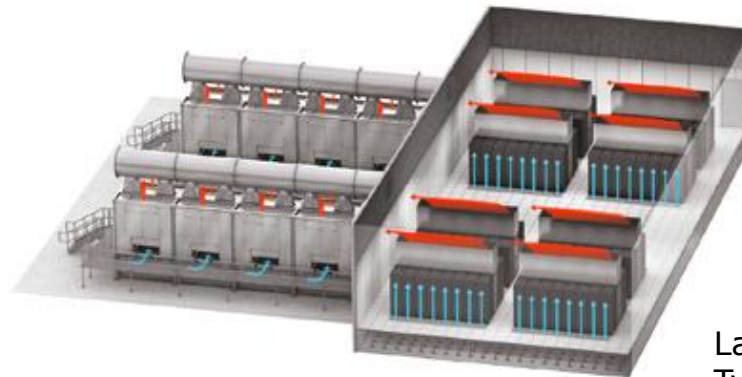
Small sized server room  
Typical cooling load 3-25 kW



Medium sized data centers  
Typical cooling load  
200 kW – 1 MW



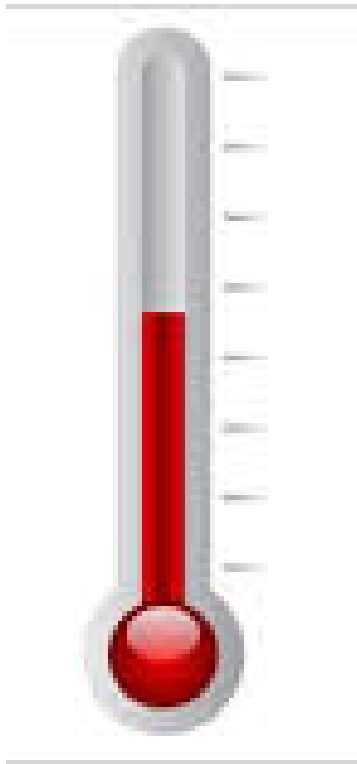
Larger server rooms & small data centers  
Typical cooling load 25-200 kW



Large data centers  
Typical cooling load  
> 1 MW

# Data Center Cooling

## Temperature



Remove heat from electronic components  
(server)

Max operating temp of electronic components

Lower temperature = longer lifetime

Temperature too high = server down = no go!

# Data Center Cooling

## Humidity



Dry air supports generation of higher electric potential.

Electro-static shock can heavily damage electronic components

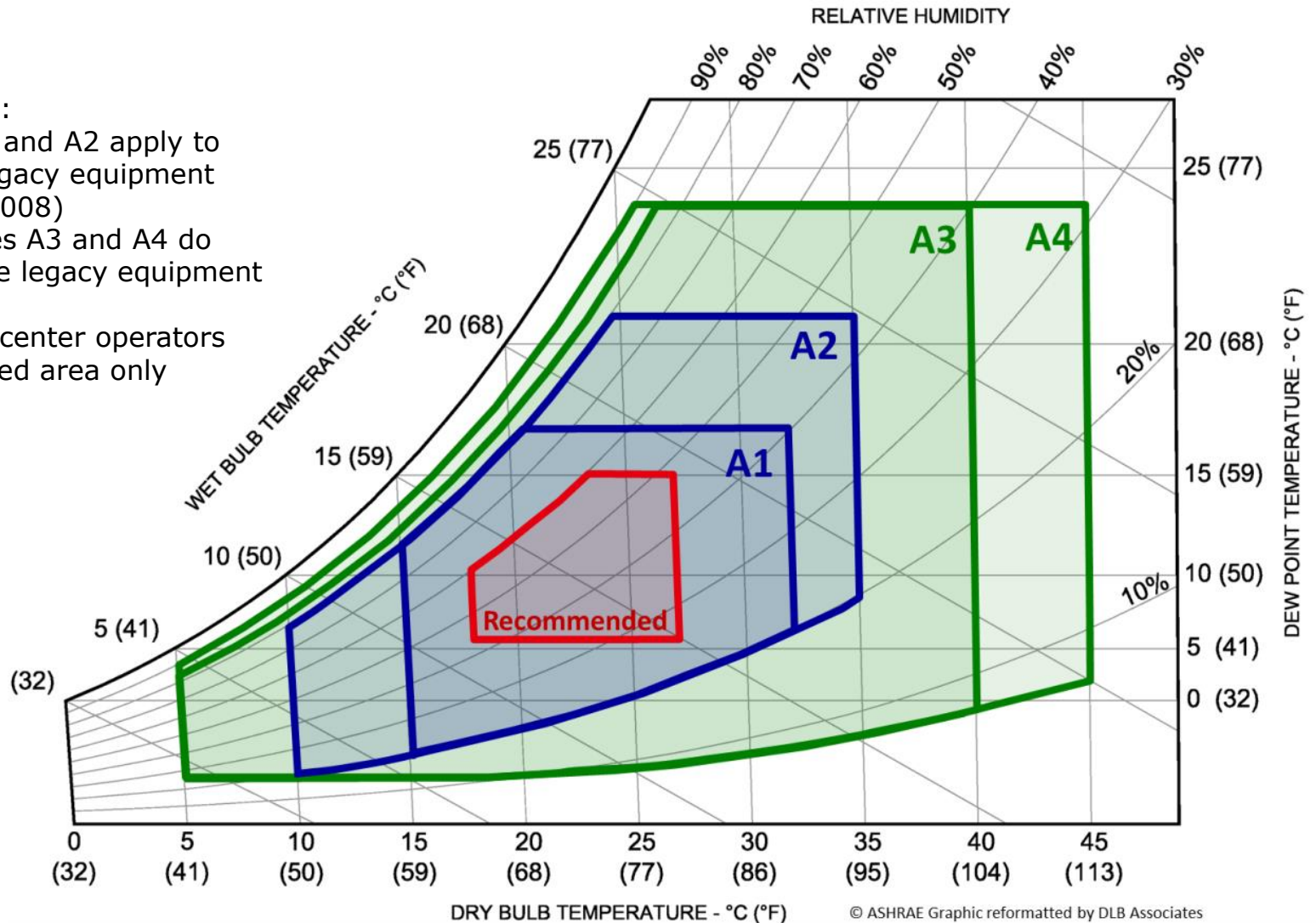
# Data Center Cooling

Since 2011:

Classes A1 and A2 apply to new and legacy equipment (same as 2008)

New Classes A3 and A4 do NOT include legacy equipment

Many data center operators use small red area only



Supply Air ASHRAE Psychrometric Chart - 2011



# Data Center Cooling

## Free cooling

### Simplified example

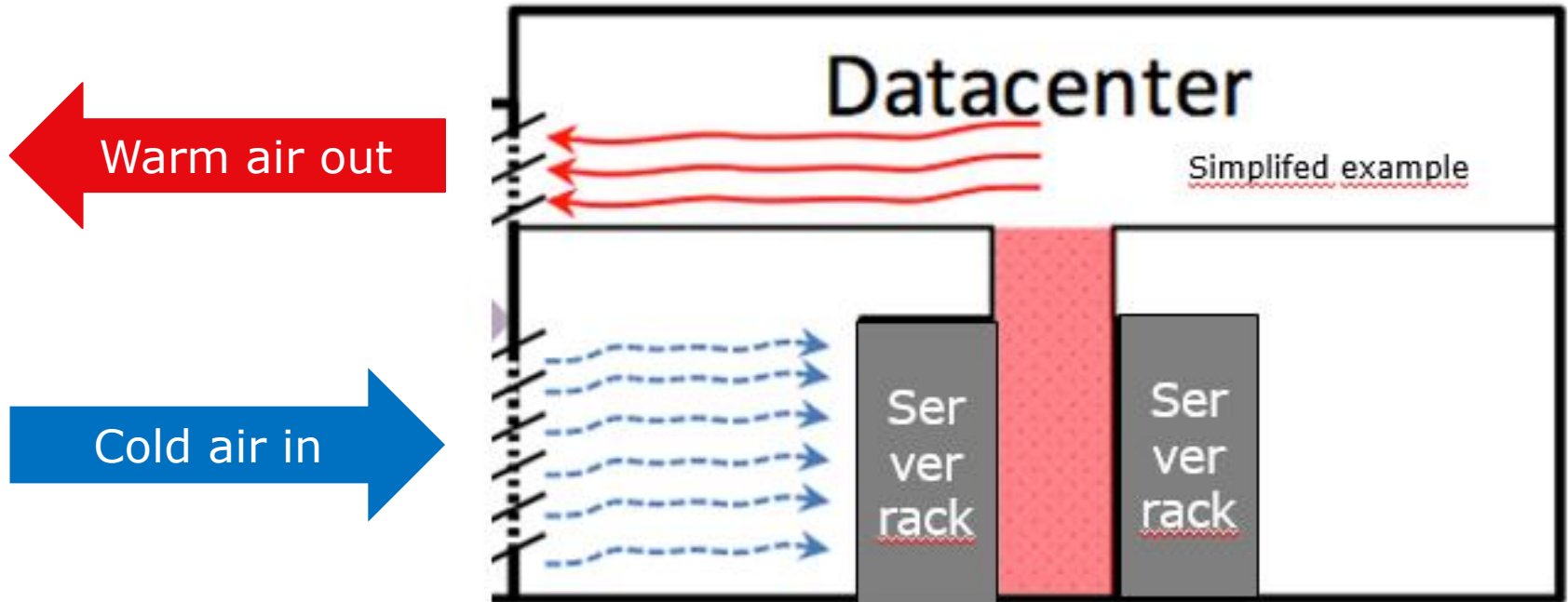
Only ambient air to cool data center

Only energy for air fans needed.

No energy for other cooling systems needed

Challenges :

Only possible when ambient air temperature is low enough  
keep contamination (dust, chemicals in the air) out



# Data Center Cooling

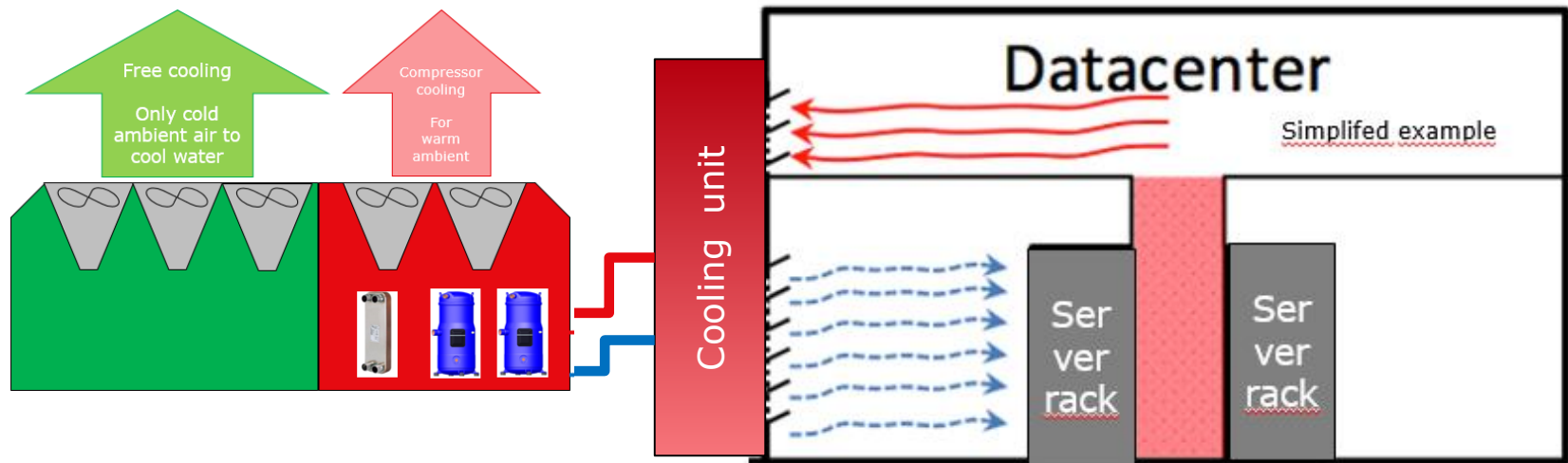
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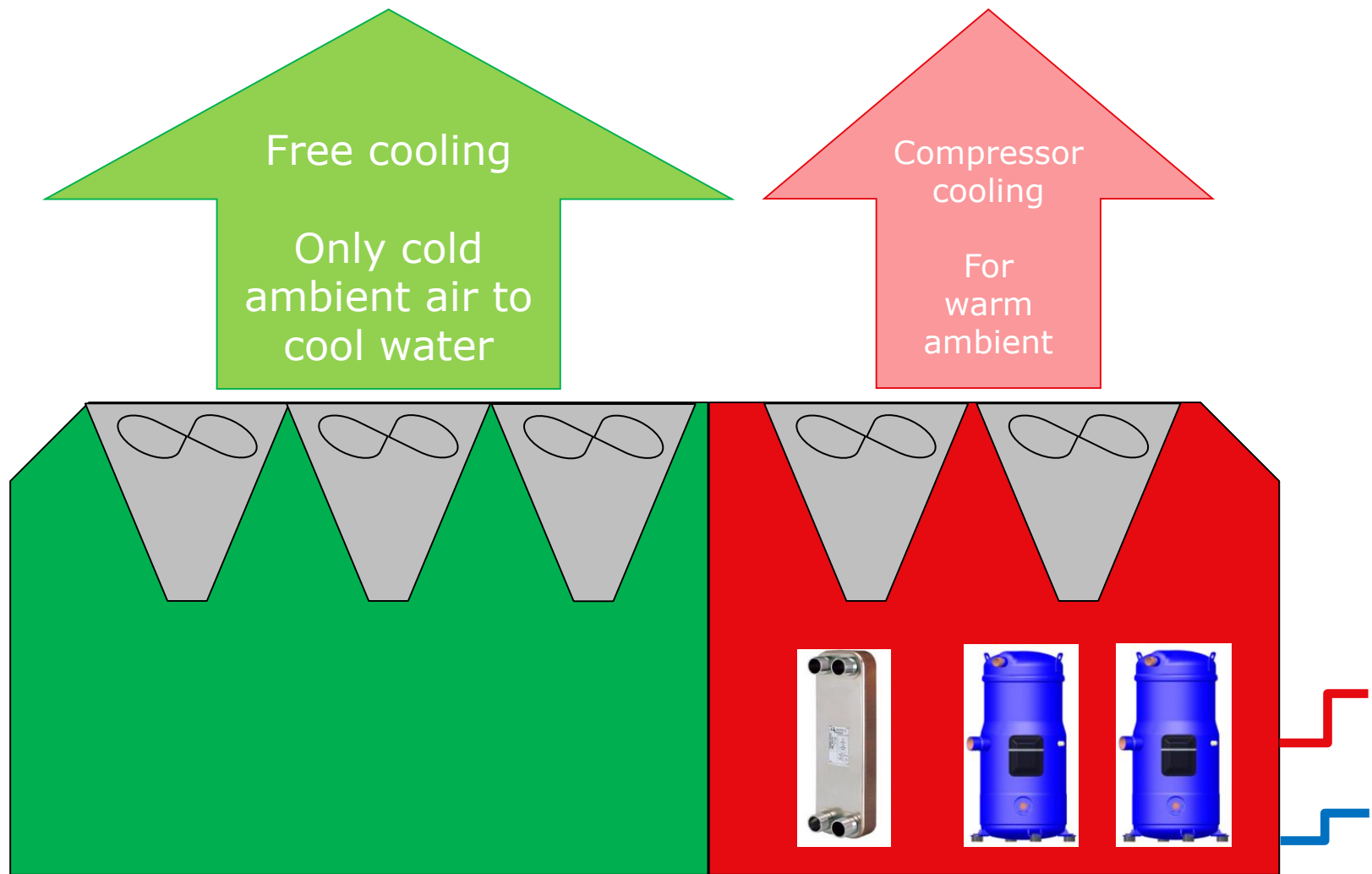
Ambient air to cool data center via cooling units connected to a chiller with free cooling

Free cooling when ambient air is cold enough  
Energy for compressor cooling only for high ambient temperatures

No contamination (dust, chemicals in the air) in the data center



# Data Center Cooling

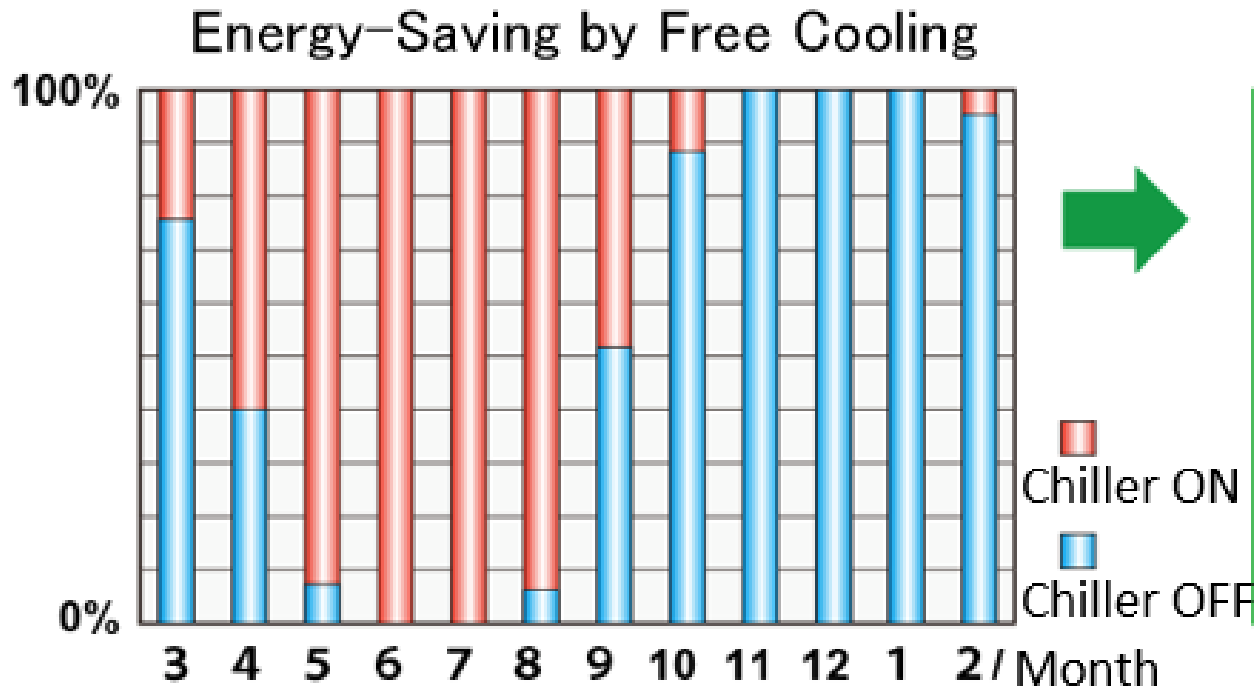
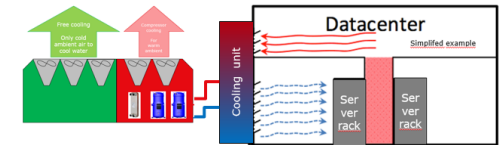


Chiller with free cooling

# Data Center cooling

## Free cooling

Example for savings potential



Energy Saving

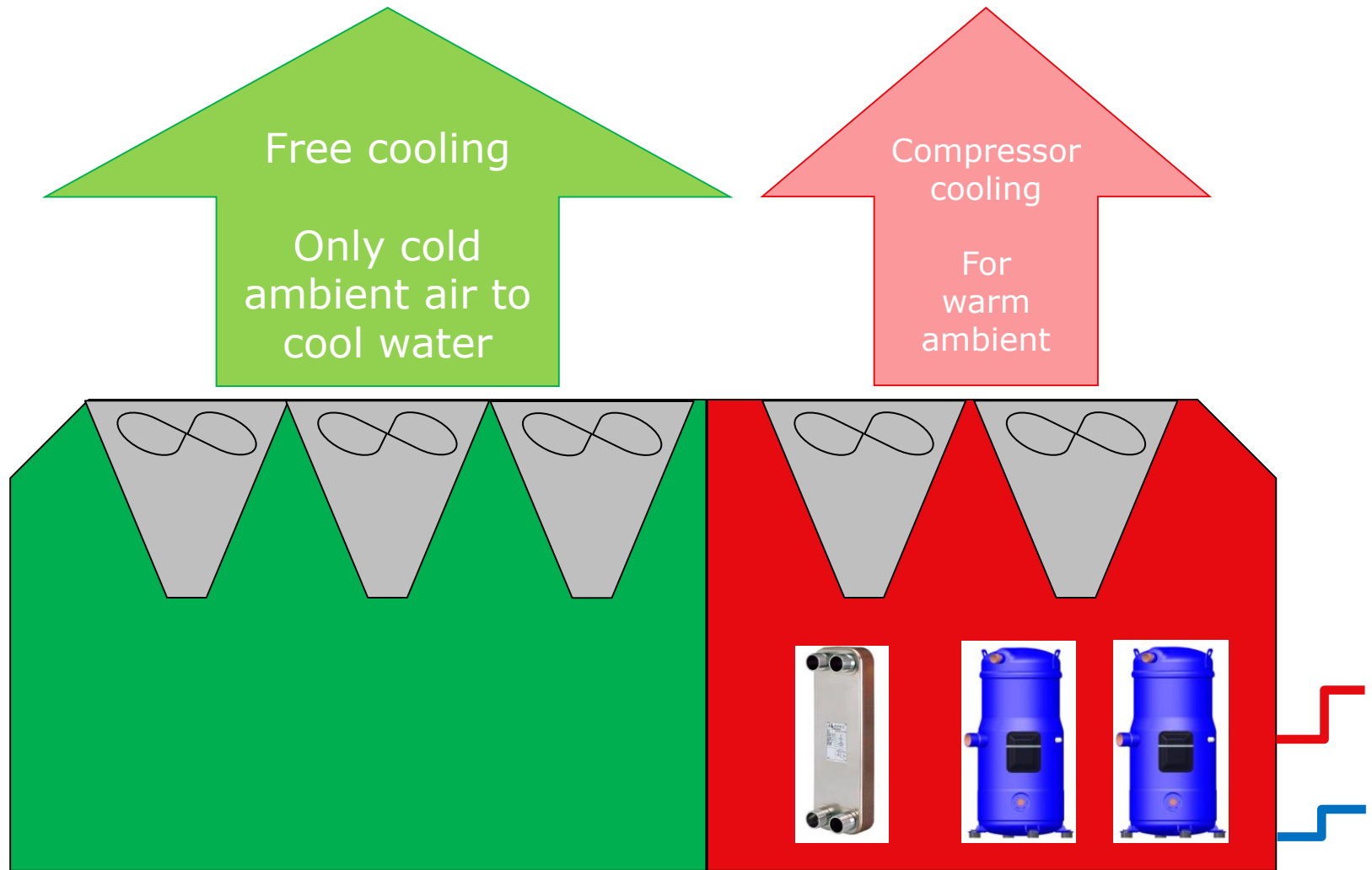
54%



# Data Center cooling

Additional improvement potential

Example compressors

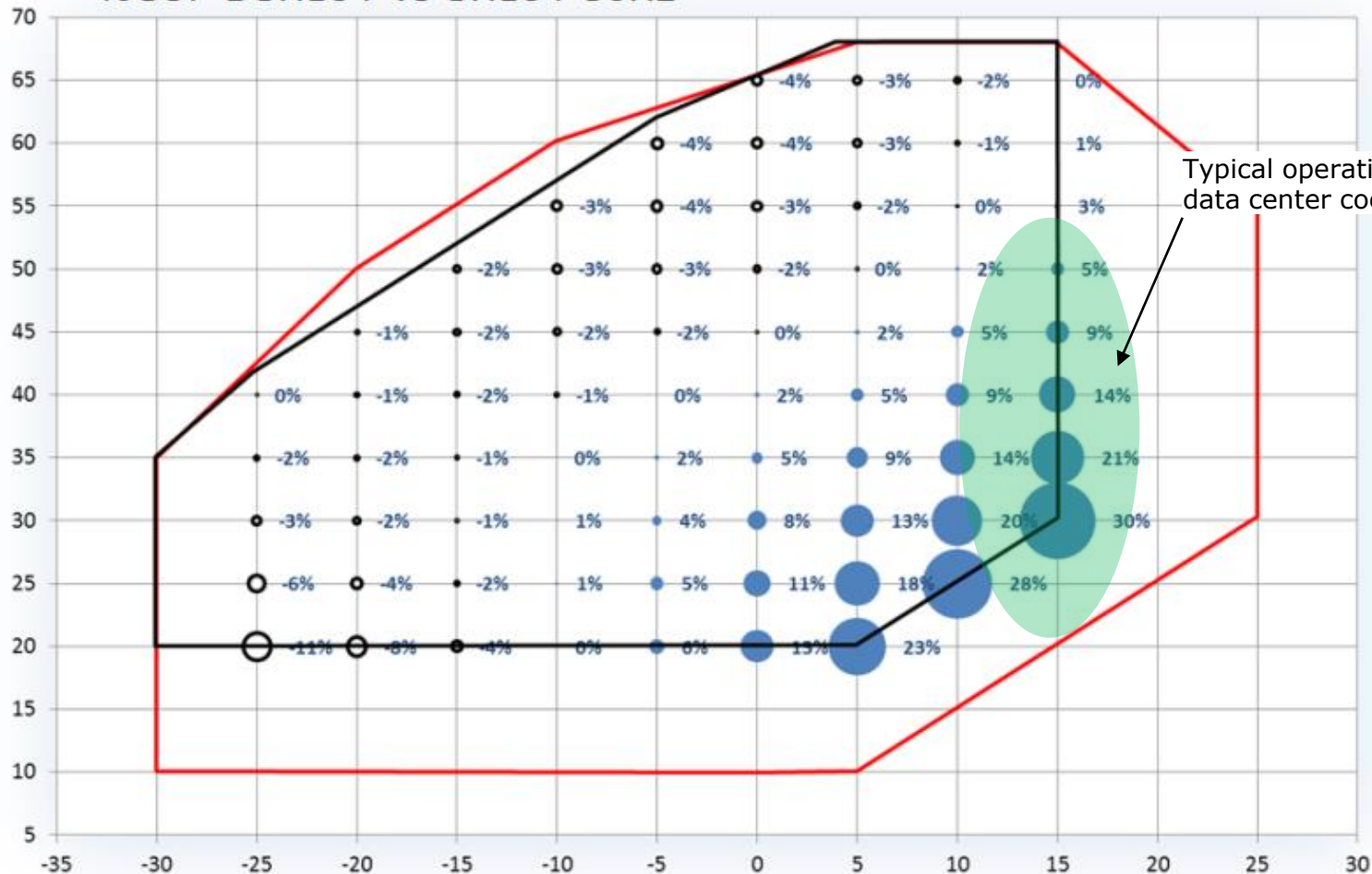


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# Data Center cooling

Scroll compressor with IDV  
IDV = Intermediate Discharge Valve

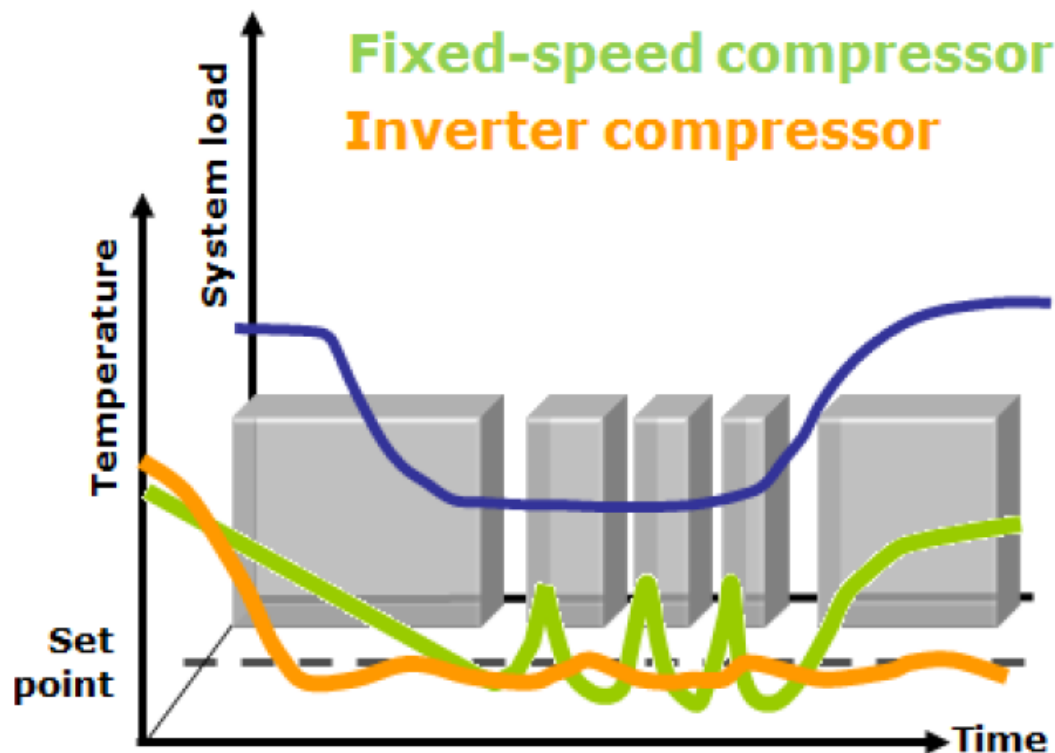
IDVs benefit: Improved compressor efficiency  
%COP DSH184 vs SH184 50Hz



Danfoss  
DSH  
compressor  
series

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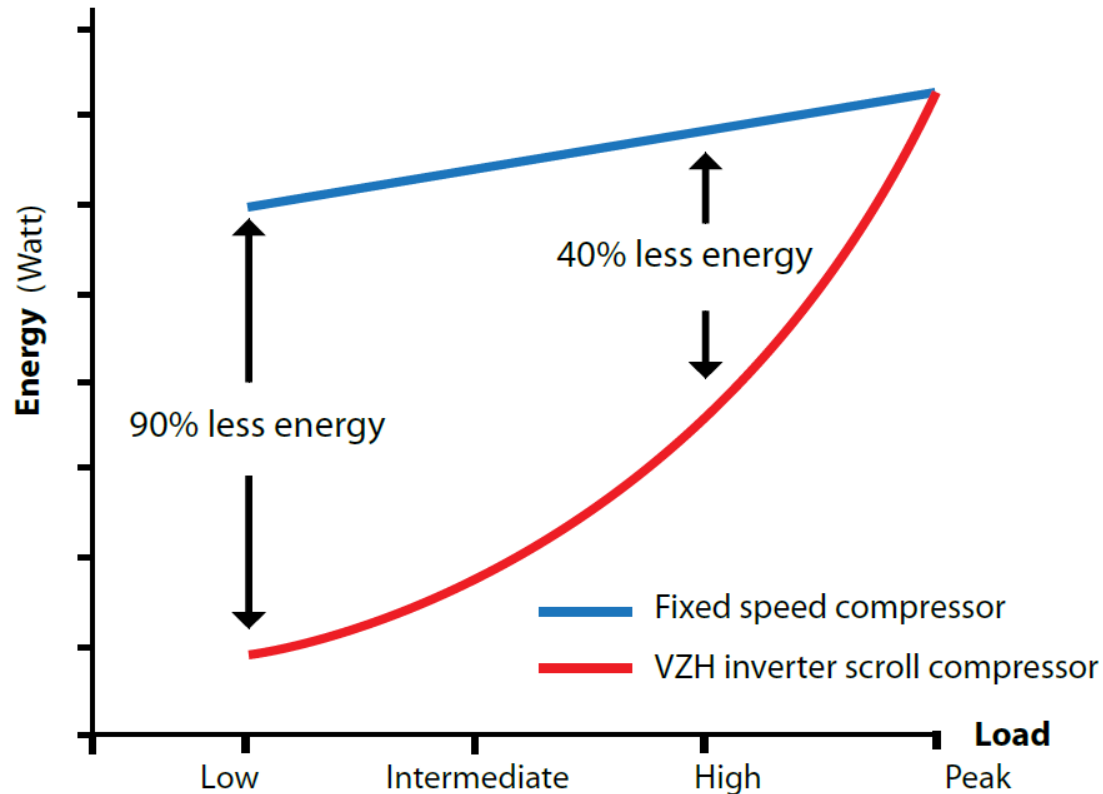
Alternative  
Inverter driven compressors



VZH Inverter driven compressors  
for optimal free cooling adaption

# Data Center cooling

## Inverter driven compressors

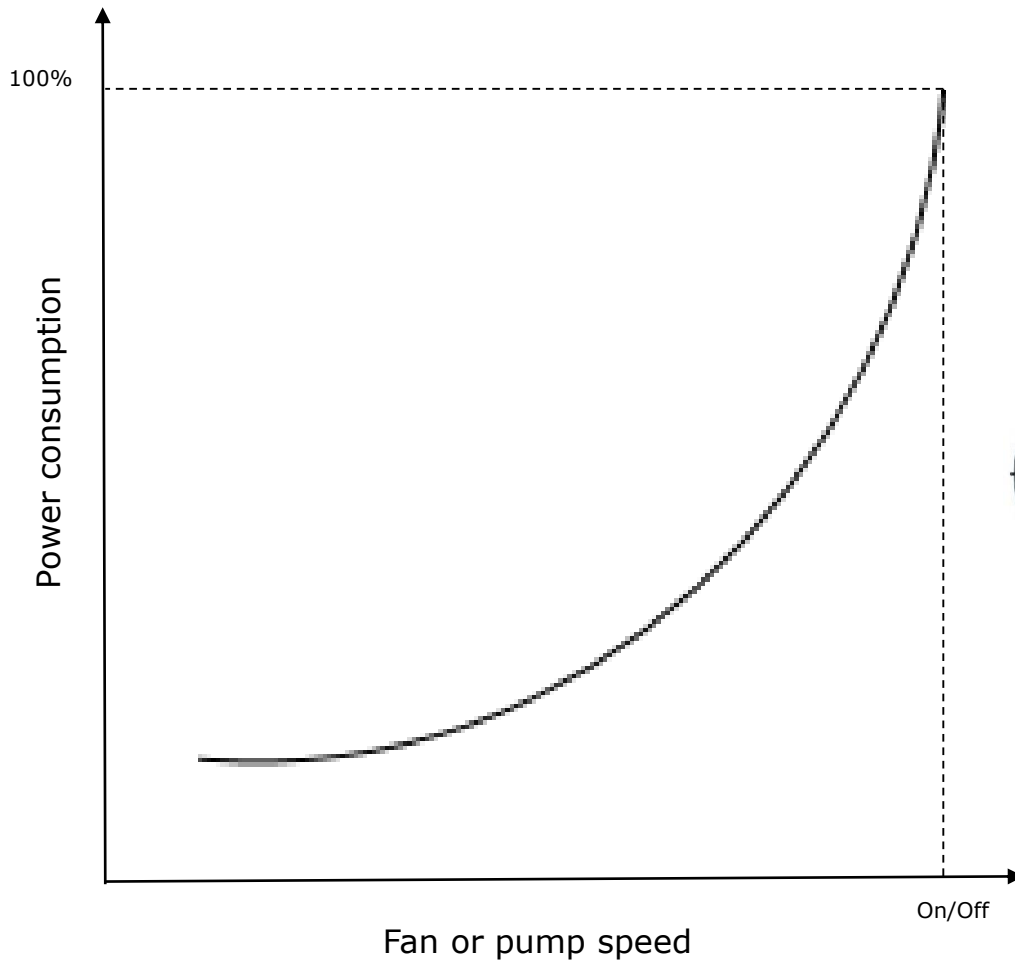


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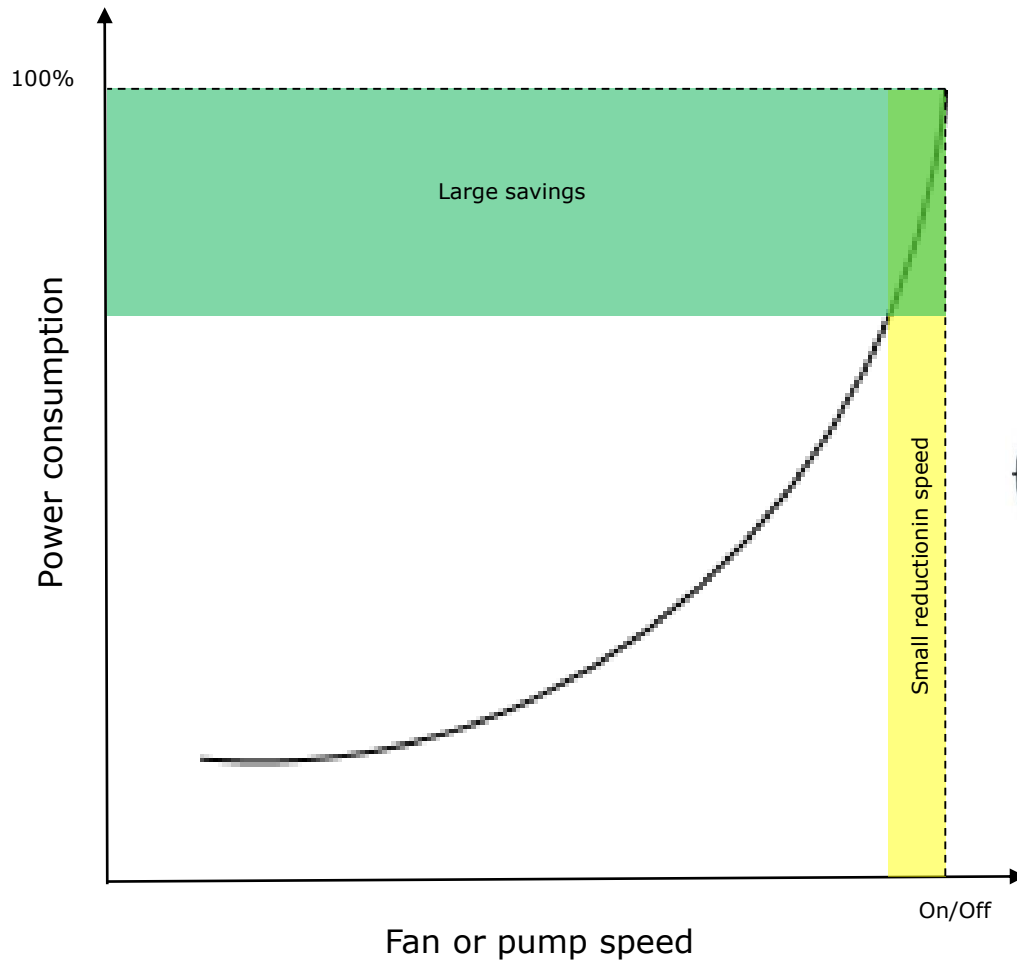
Inverter for fans & pumps



Danfoss VLT Drive



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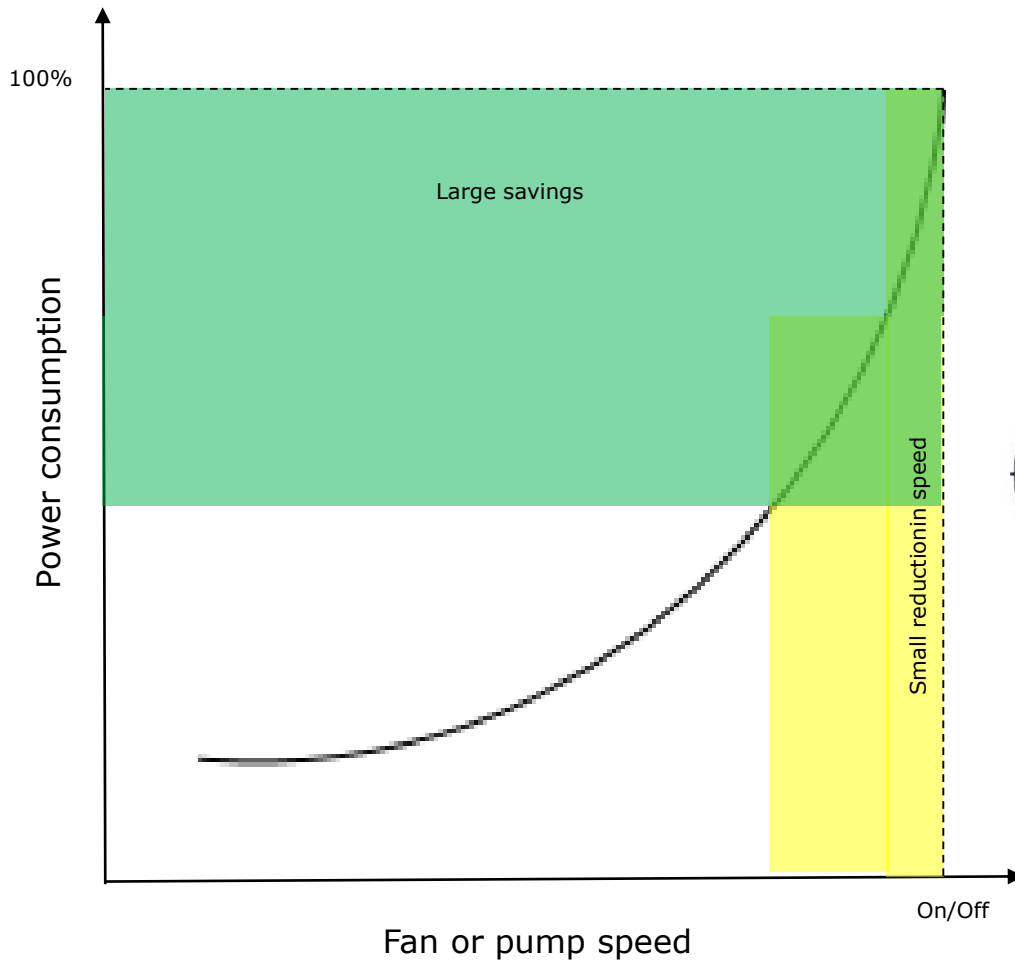
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# Data Center cooling

Example:

35 kW cooling unit for data center  
Fix speed compressor replaced by  
inverter driven variable speed  
compressor VZH088.

Saving : approx. 10.000 kWh/year.  
= 32% compared to fix speed

Return on investment often < 3 years.

Additional benefits :

70% lower starting current

⇒ Lower load on electric grid

⇒ Smaller back up generators

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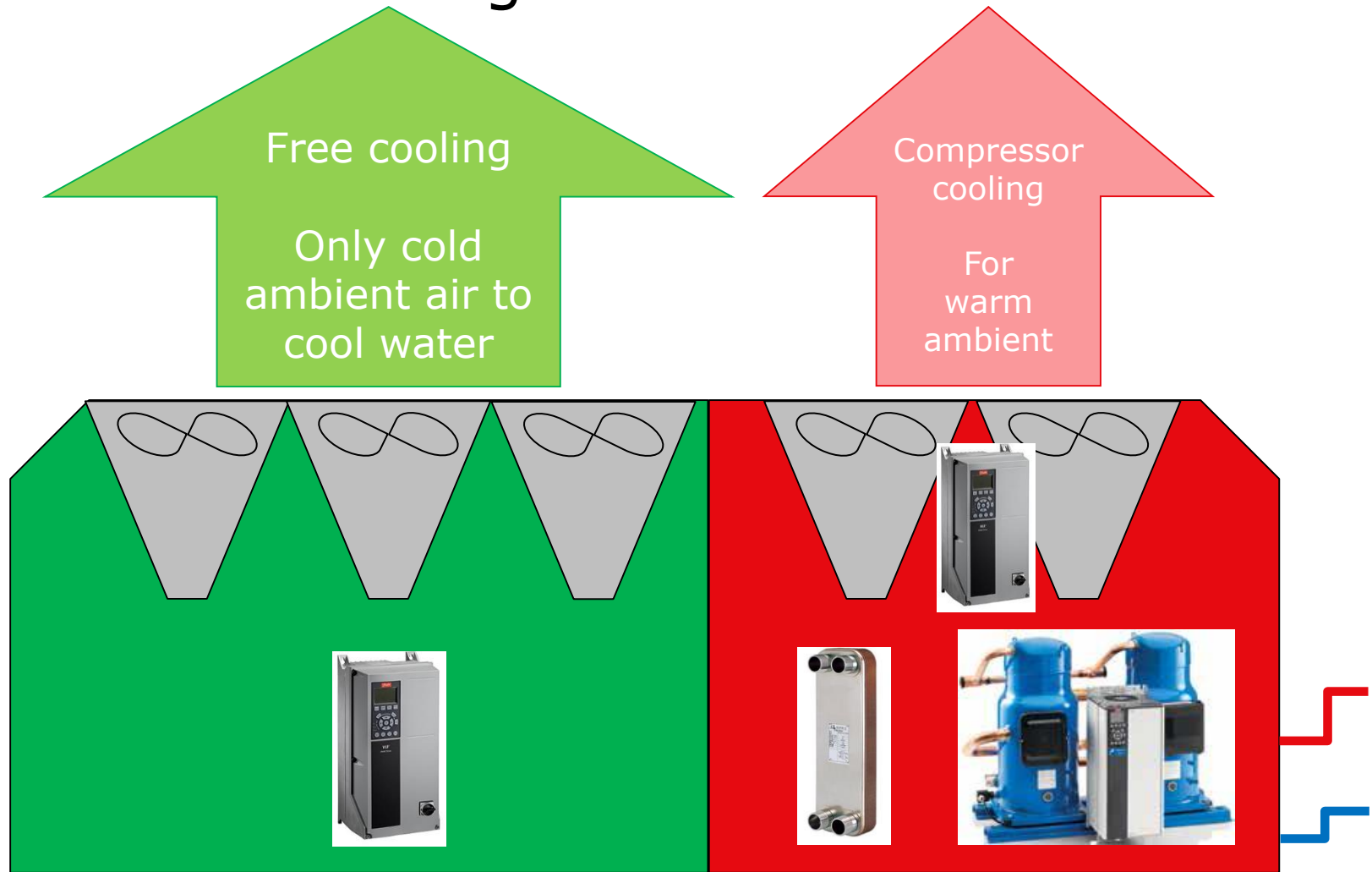


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Inverters for fans & pumps  
High efficient heat exchangers



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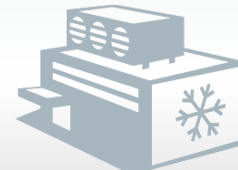
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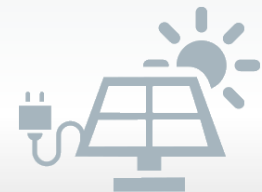
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Many thanks for your attention



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