

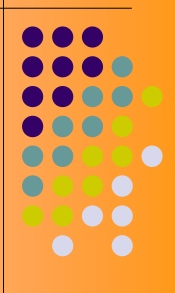
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Evaluation and optimised control  
of energy processes in indoor  
swimming pools

HVAC system management



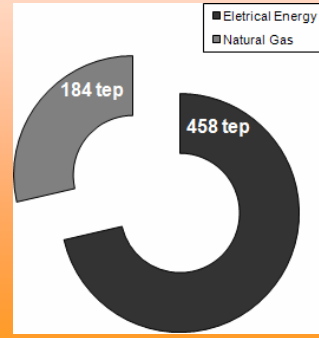
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## Introduction I



• Increase the number of Indoor Swimming Pools (ISP).

• High energetic processes.



Energy Source	Consumption (tep)
Electrical Energy	184
Natural Gas	458

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## Introduction II

- Directive 2006/32/EC and law 79/2006 => minimise the energy consumption.
- Energetic Efficiency Index (EEI):
  - 35 kgep/m<sup>2</sup>.year - reference,
  - 95.7 kgep/m<sup>2</sup>.year - case study.

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## Introduction III

- Implementation of optimised control strategies.
- Rational Use of Energy (RUE) measures:
  - cogeneration,
  - renewable energy systems,
  - recovery of energy in the rejected air,
  - **pool cover.**

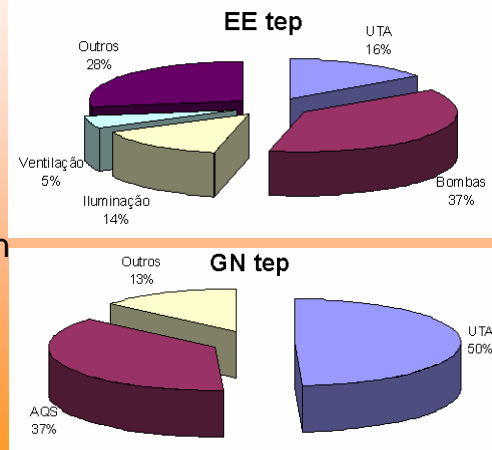
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## Introduction IV



- ISP energy consumption (95%):

- HVAC system,
- Pumping system,
- Pool water treatment,
- Water heating for bath
- Lighting.



## Introduction V



- In this work:

- Approach to control strategies of HVAC system,
- Pool cover such RUE measure.



## Case study I

- Sports complex with:
  - olympic pool of 50x25 m<sup>2</sup>,
  - children pool of 25x12.5 m<sup>2</sup>.
- HVAC system - Air Handling Unit (AHU) with dehumidifying and heating capacities.
- A building automation system controls all main process.

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## Case study II

- Olympic pool:
  - water temperature varies between 27°C and 28°C,
  - air temperature between 28°C and 29°C,
  - relative humidity between 50% and 55%.
- Children pool:
  - the water temperature varies between 29°C and 30°C,
  - air temperature between 30°C and 31°C,
  - relative humidity between 60% and 65%.

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## Building Performance Simulation I



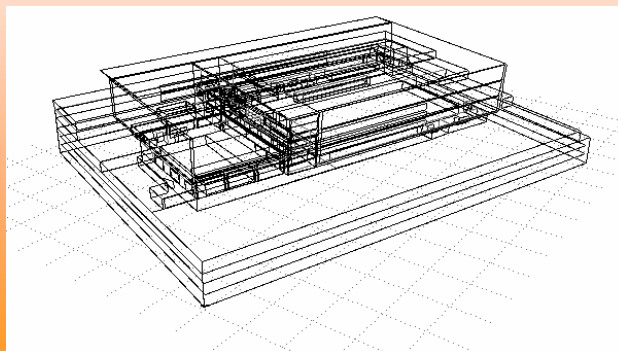
- The building energy simulation programs is the better way to study of measures to reduce the energy consumption.
- Energy simulation programs work with three main groups of variables:
  - Climatic variables,
  - Design variables,
  - Use and occupancy variables.

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## Building Performance Simulation II



- Several building energy simulation programs such as: **ESP-r**, **ENERGYPLUS**, **TRNSYS** and **DOE**.



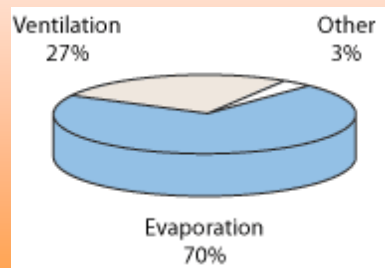
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## HVAC System management

Variable I



- AHU > high evaporation in ISP complex.



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## HVAC System management

Variable II



- Environmental variables associated to AHU control:
  - $T_{ap}$  - Pool water temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ),
  - $T_{amb}$  - Ambient air temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ),
  - $\phi$  - Relative humidity (%),
  - $Q_e$  - Latent load associated with the evaporation from the pool (W).

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Variable III



- Fundamental variable - mass of evaporated water ( $m_e$ ):

$$m_e = A_{pool} \left[ 0,113 - \frac{0,0000175 \times A_{pool}}{N} + 0,000059 (P_s - P_a) \right]$$

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Case study



- Reference values during 2006:

Olympic pool

Variable	Value
$T_{ap}$	27,5°C
$T_{amb}$	28,3°C
$\phi$	52,3%
$Q_e$	180.009W

Children pool

Variable	Value
$T_{ap}$	28,9°C
$T_{amb}$	30,5°C
$\phi$	52,7%
$Q_e$	45.168W

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Control strategies I



- Variation of the environmental variables at night (8PM to 8AM).
- with two distinct criteria:
  - wet-bulb temperature,
  - dew point temperature.

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Control strategies II



- 1st criteria

Olympic pool

	CS-1	CS-3
<b>Tap</b>	27,5°C	27,5 °C
<b>Tamb</b>	26,0 °C	24,5 °C
$\phi$	65,0%	75,0%
<b>Qe</b>	171.765W	165.458W

Children pool

	CS-1	CS-3
<b>Tap</b>	28,9°C	28,9 °C
<b>Tamb</b>	28,0 °C	26,5 °C
$\phi$	65,0%	75,0%
<b>Qe</b>	43.341W	41.660W

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Control strategies III



- 2nd criteria

Olympic pool

	CS-2	CS-4
<b>Tap</b>	27,5°C	27,5 °C
<b>Tamb</b>	25,0 °C	22,5 °C
$\phi$	65,0%	75,0%
<b>Qe</b>	178.336W	179.632W

Children pool

	CS-2	CS-4
<b>Tap</b>	28,9°C	28,9 °C
<b>Tamb</b>	27,0 °C	24,5 °C
$\phi$	65,0%	75,0%
<b>Qe</b>	45.152W	45.435W

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Control strategies IV



- Pool Cover simulation

Olympic pool

	CS-5	CS-6
<b>Tap</b>	27,5°C	27,5 °C
<b>Tamb</b>	28,3 °C	Free float
$\phi$	52,7%	Free float
<b>Qe</b>	18.001W	18.001W

Children pool

	CS-5	CS-6
<b>Tap</b>	28,9°C	28,9 °C
<b>Tamb</b>	30,5 °C	Free float
$\phi$	52,7%	Free float
<b>Qe</b>	4.517W	4.517W

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## Results I



- Three major losses in process, quantified by building thermal simulations, are:
  - Building envelope losses to environment quantified by simulation,
  - Energy spent associated with the reduction of building latent load,
  - Losses associated with energy heating water that is necessary to compensate evaporation.

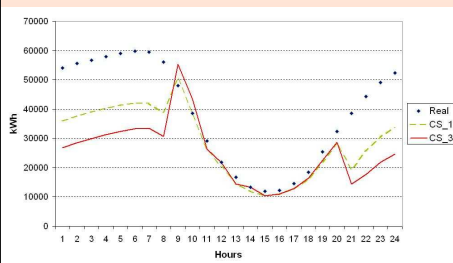
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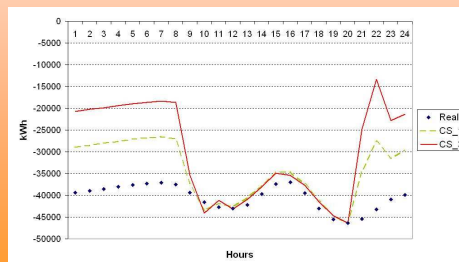
## Results II



- Olympic pool - 1st criteria:



sensible energy



latent energy

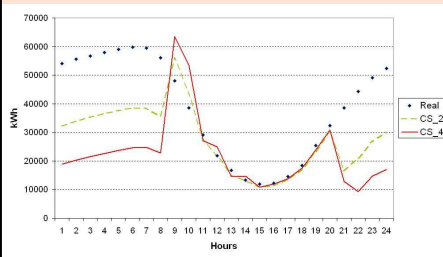
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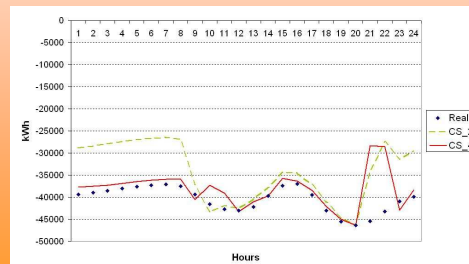
## Results III



- Olympic pool - 2nd criteria:



sensible energy



latent energy

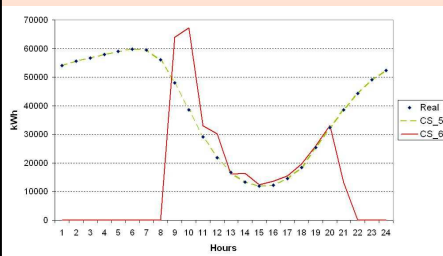
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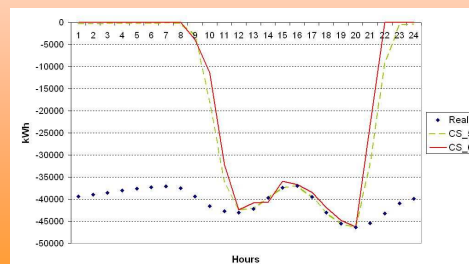
## Results IV



- Olympic pool - pool cover simulation:



sensible energy



latent energy

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Results IV



- EEI quantification:

	Electrical Energy (tep)	Natural Gas (tep)	EEI
Real	427,0	203,0	95,7
CS-1	420,3	195,5	93,5
CS-2	427,0	177,0	91,7
CS-3	414,2	174,6	89,4
CS-4	423,9	169,1	90,0
CS-5	392,5	202,2	90,3
CS-6	391,1	148,3	81,9

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## Conclusion I



- CS-1, CS-2, CS-3 and CS-4:
  - Reduction of sensible energy, linked to the natural gas consumption;
  - Latent energy associated to the decrease of water evaporation, linked to the electrical energy consumption.

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## Conclusion II



- CS-3 - best control strategy for EEI:
  - reduction of 41,2 tep/year (6,5%),
  - Represents 29.000€ in 2006 energy price savings.
  
- CS-4 - best control strategy for money saving:
  - reduction of 37,0 tep/year (5,9%),
  - Represents 31.000€ in 2006 energy price savings.

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## Conclusion III



- CS-6, in conjunction with pool cover at night:
  - Reduction of 90 tep/year (14,4%),
  - Represents 60.000€ in 2006 energy price savings,
  - Four month payback for pool cover.

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**Thank you**