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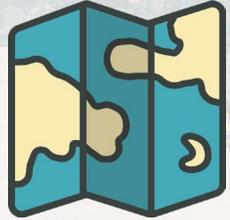
# Models & public data: calculating building energy needs at regional level using public databases

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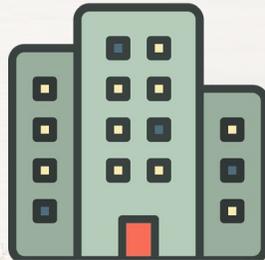
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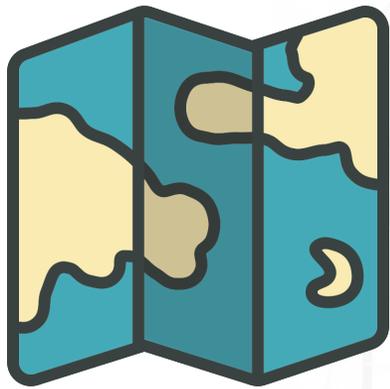


2. Building models & data to be used



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*What are the key features of a good model?*



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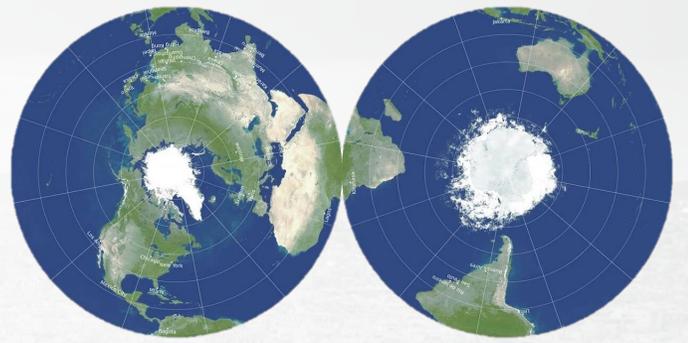
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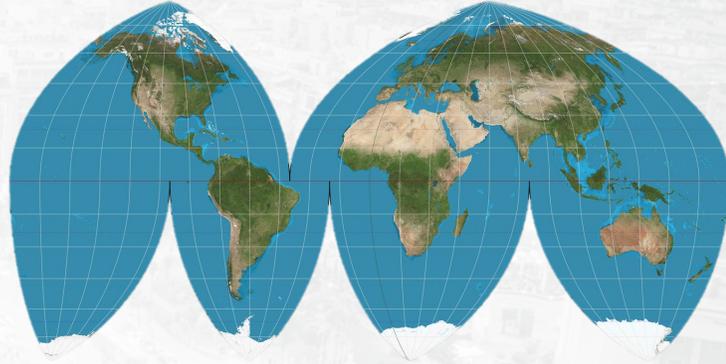
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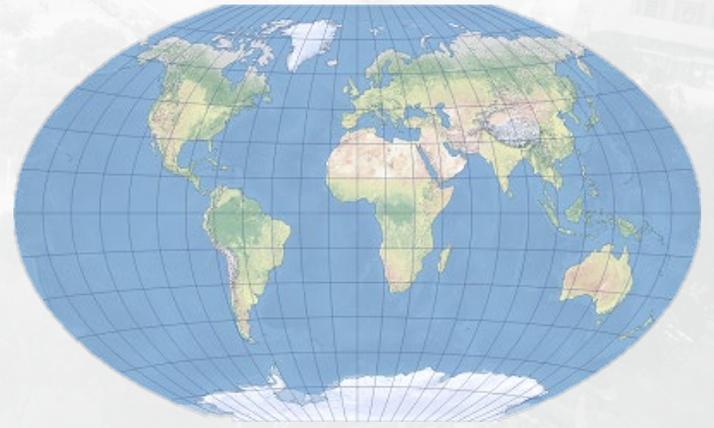
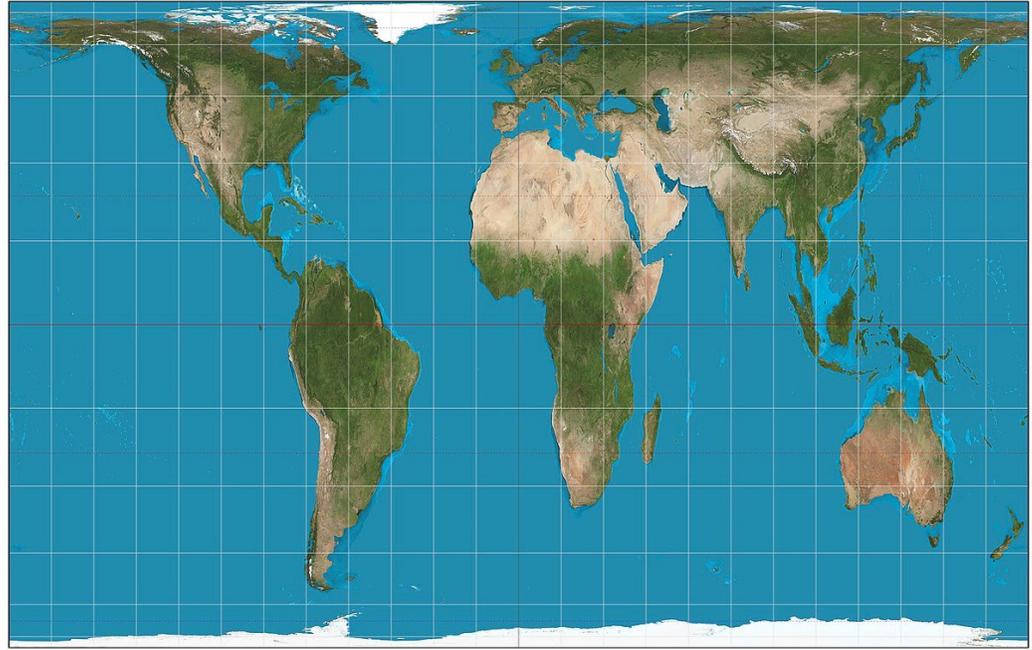
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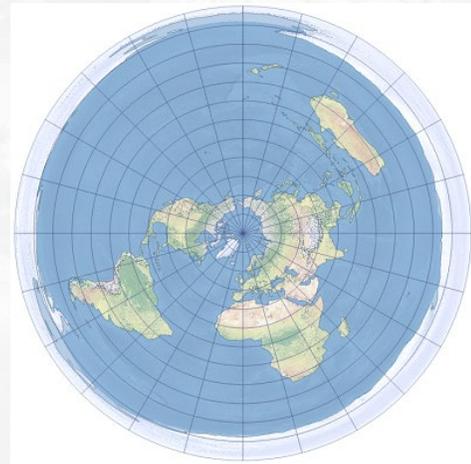
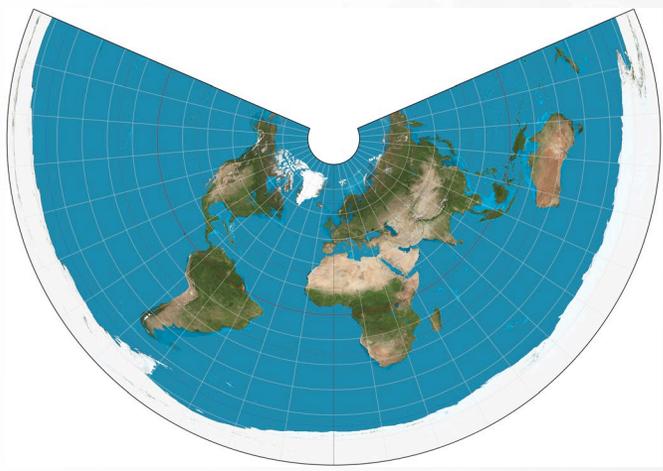
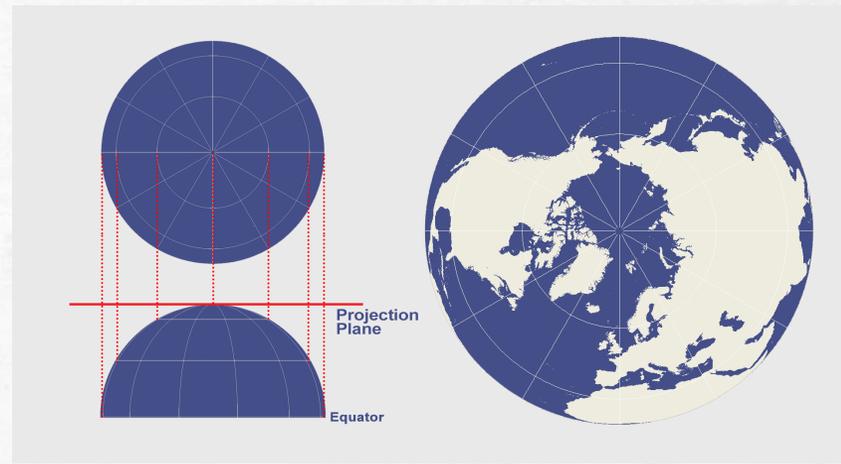
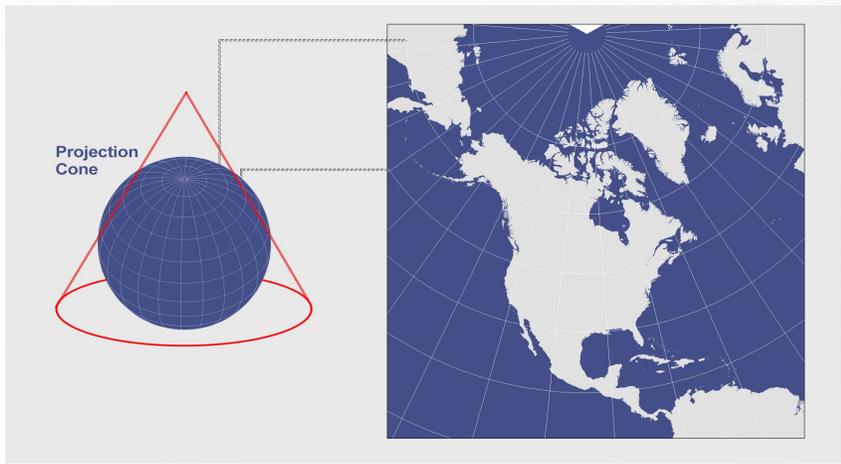
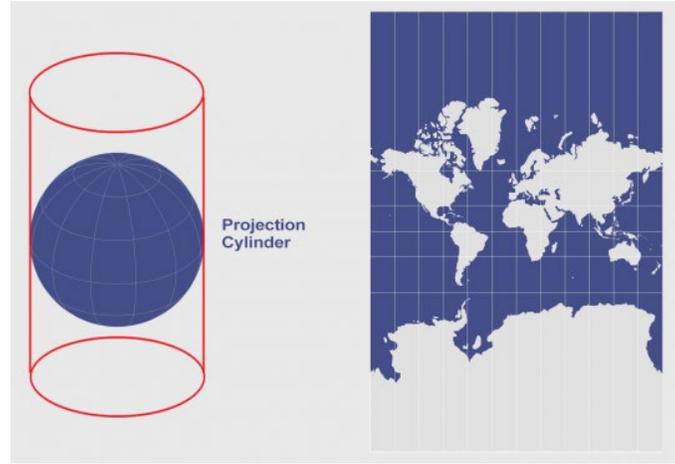


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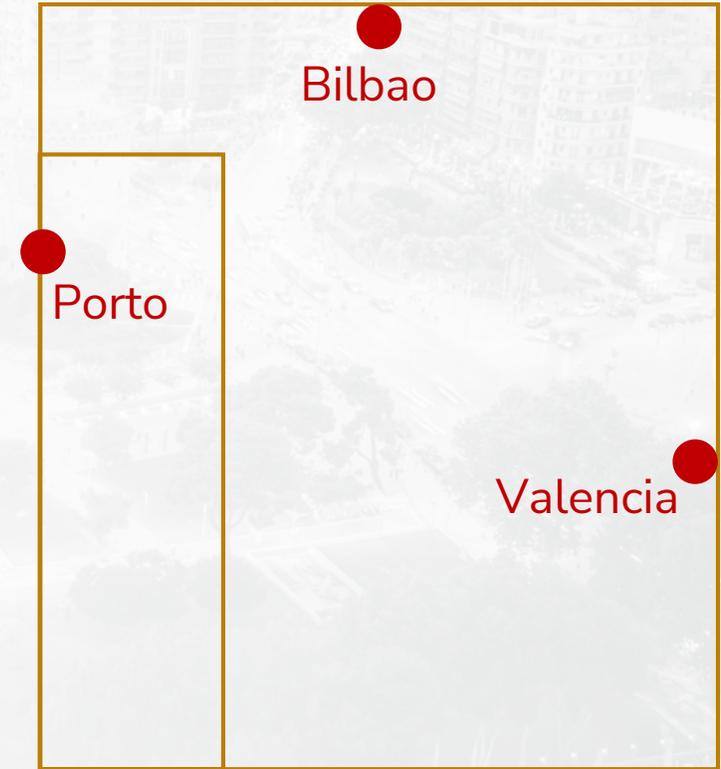
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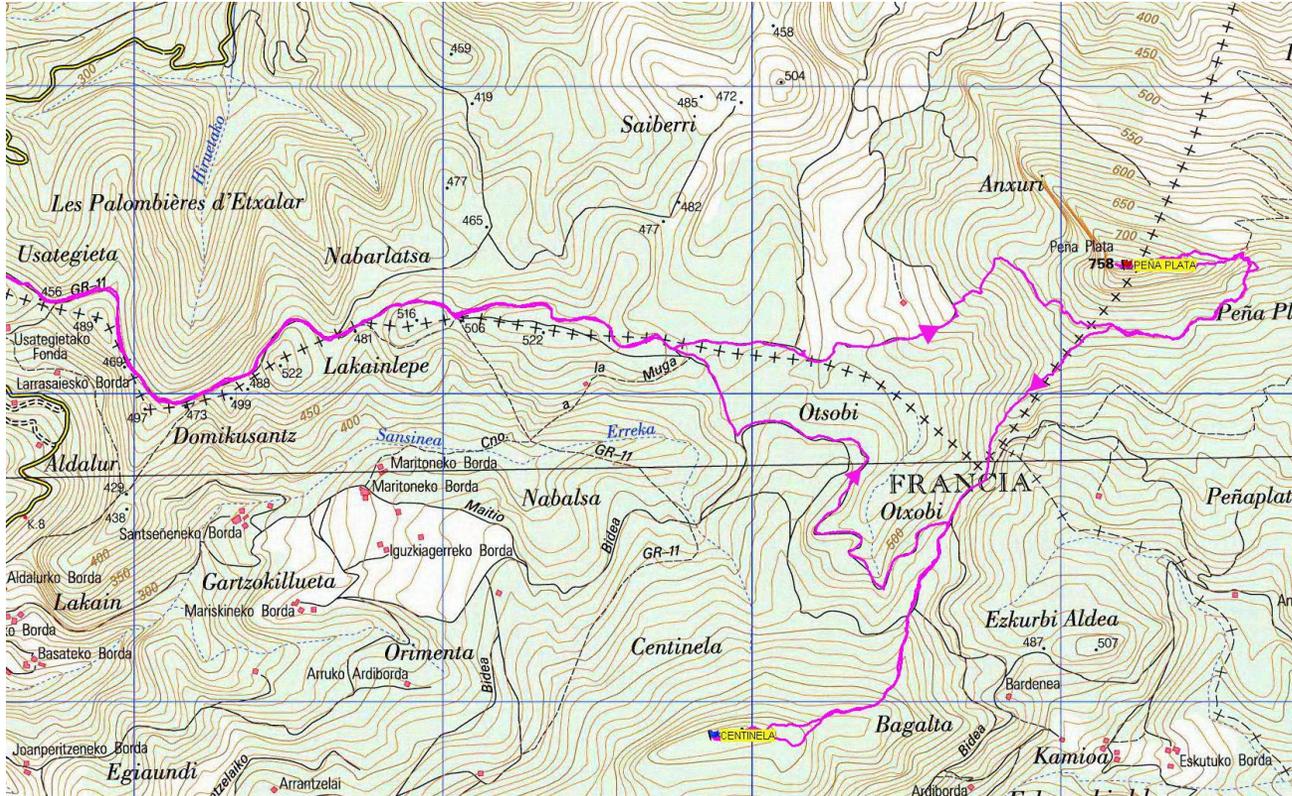
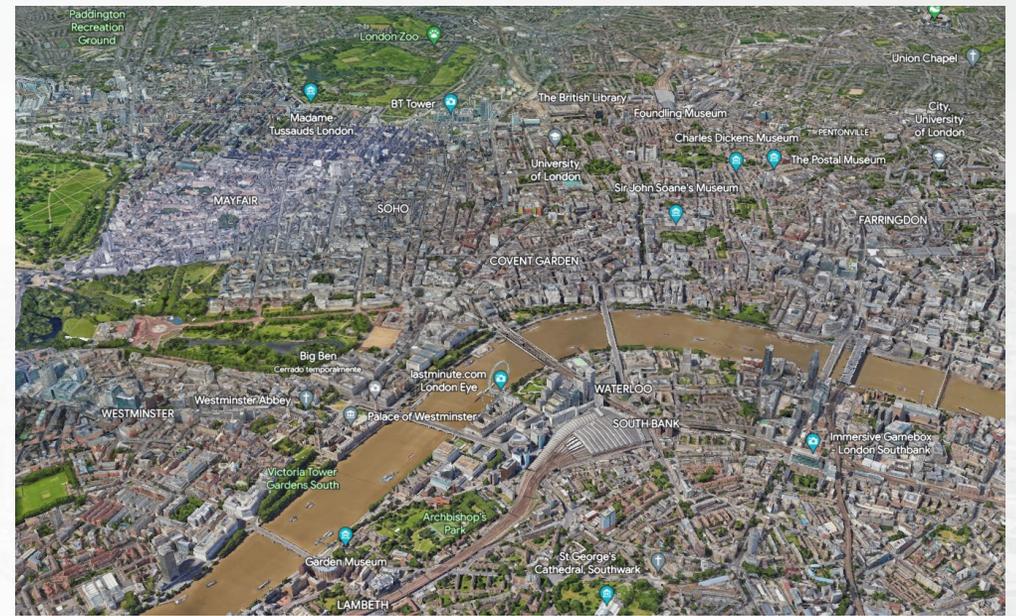
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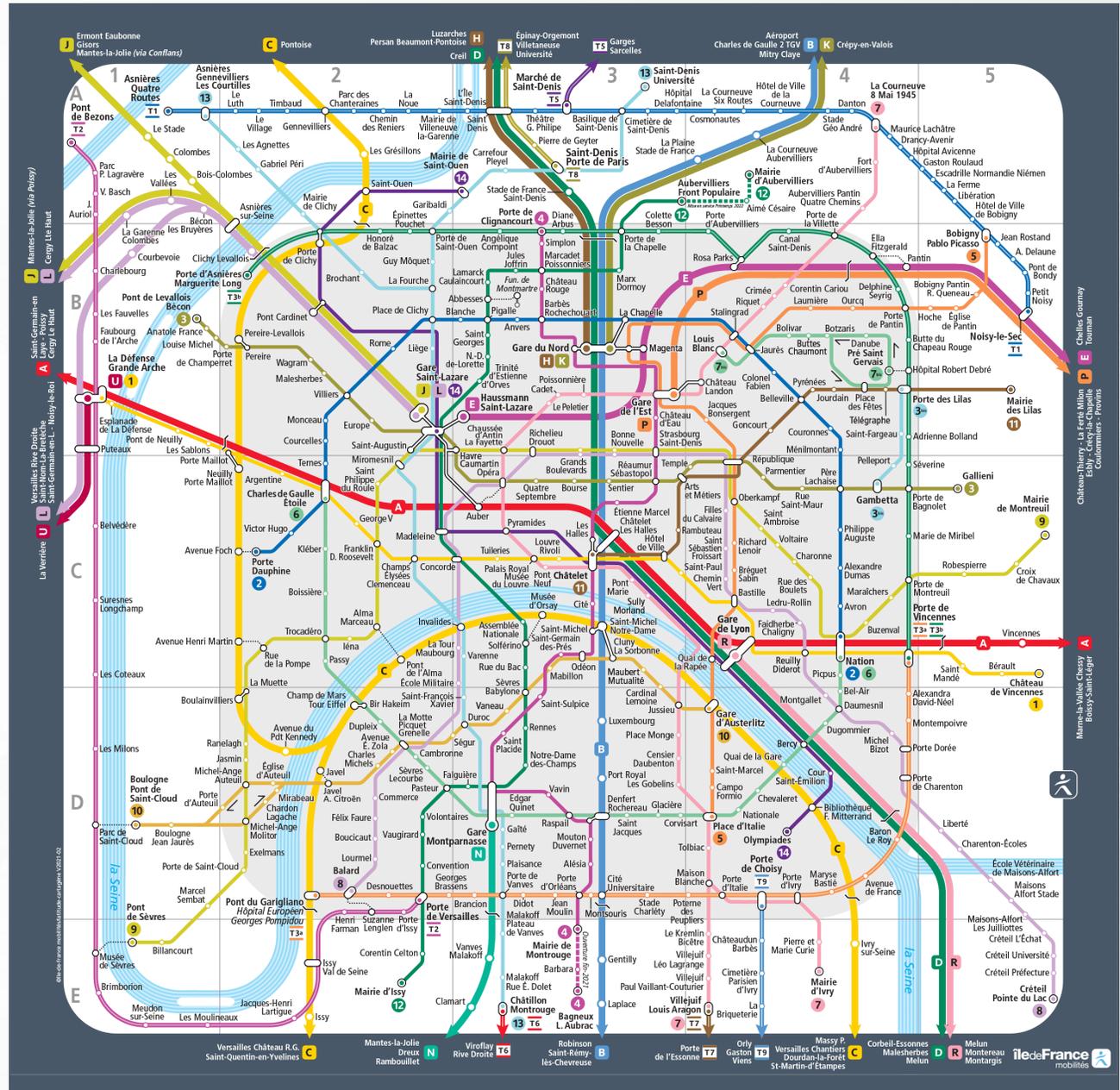
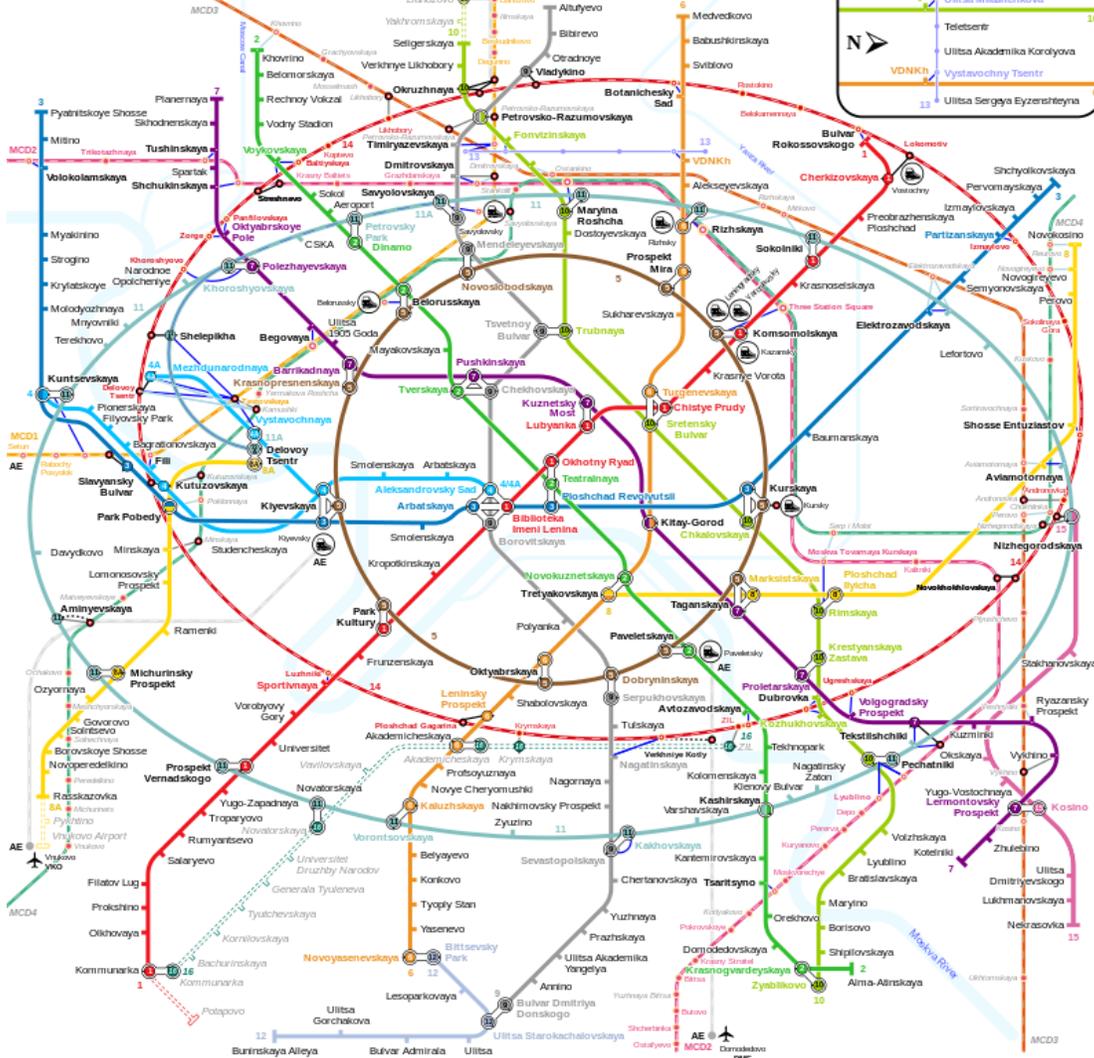
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Moscow Metro, Monorail, MCD and MCC system map (March 2023)

\* Includes future plans for Metro until december 2026.

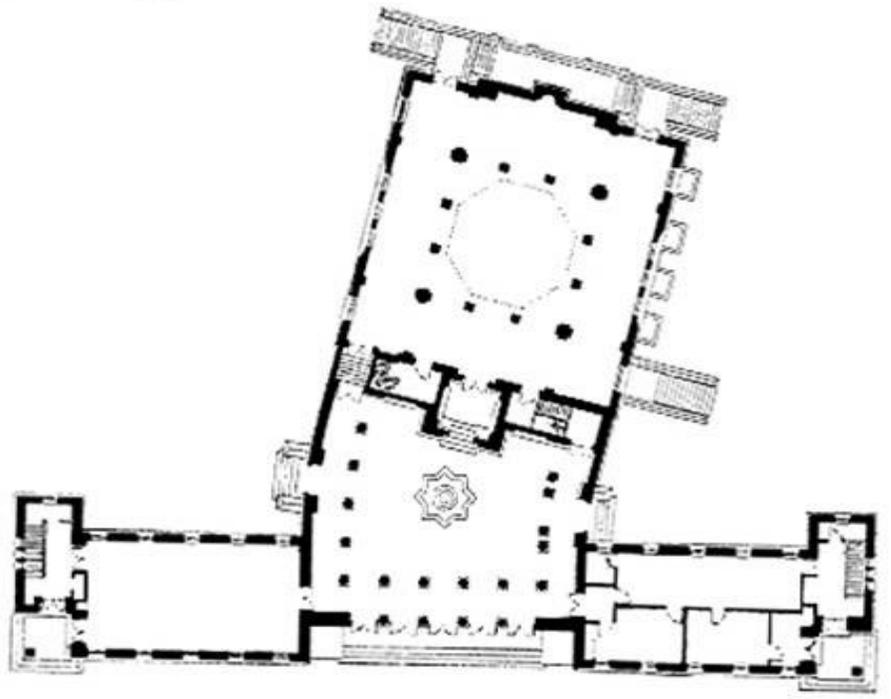
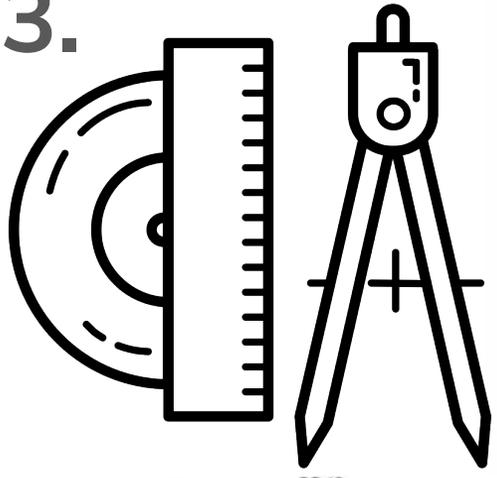


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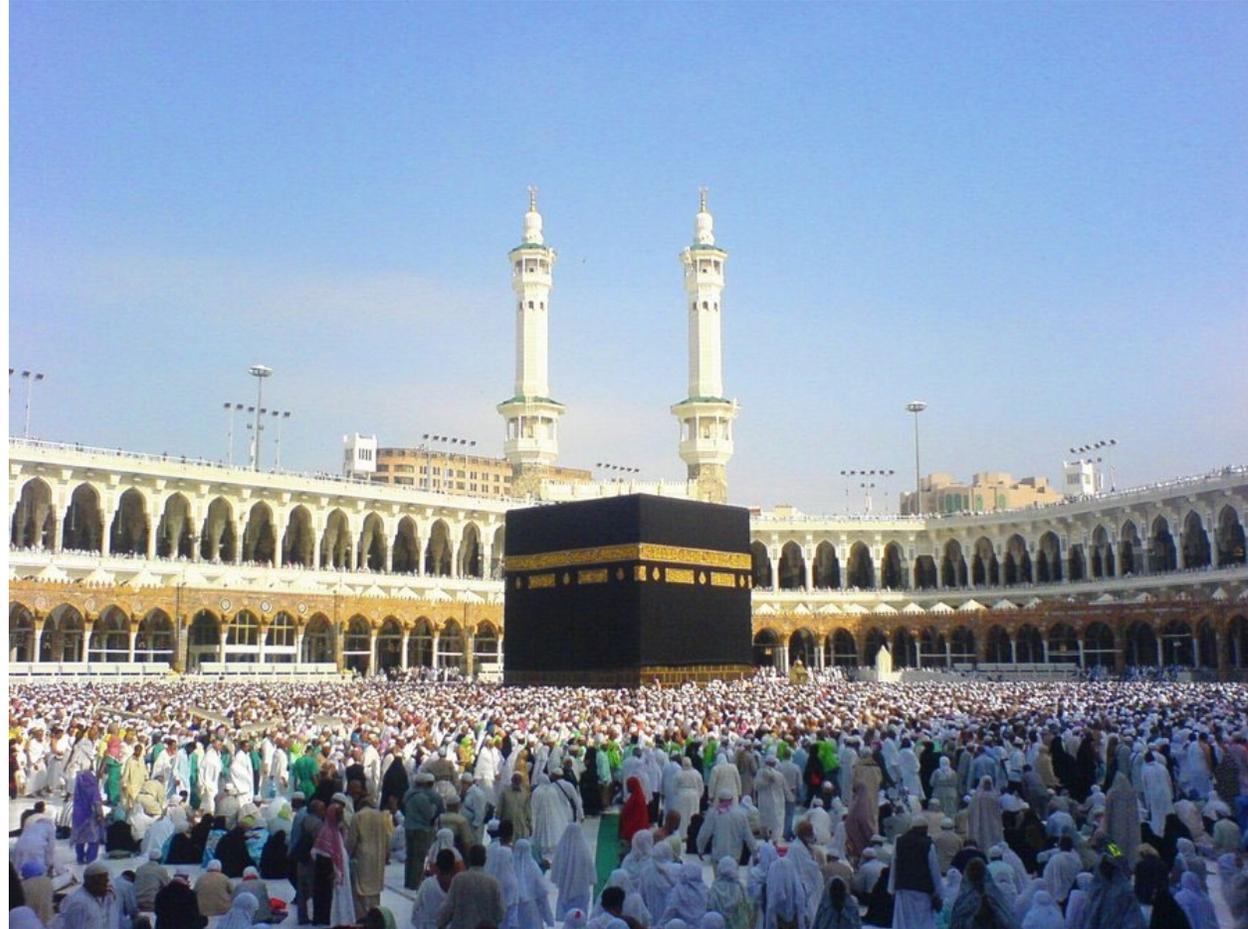
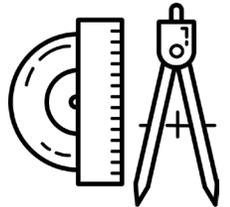
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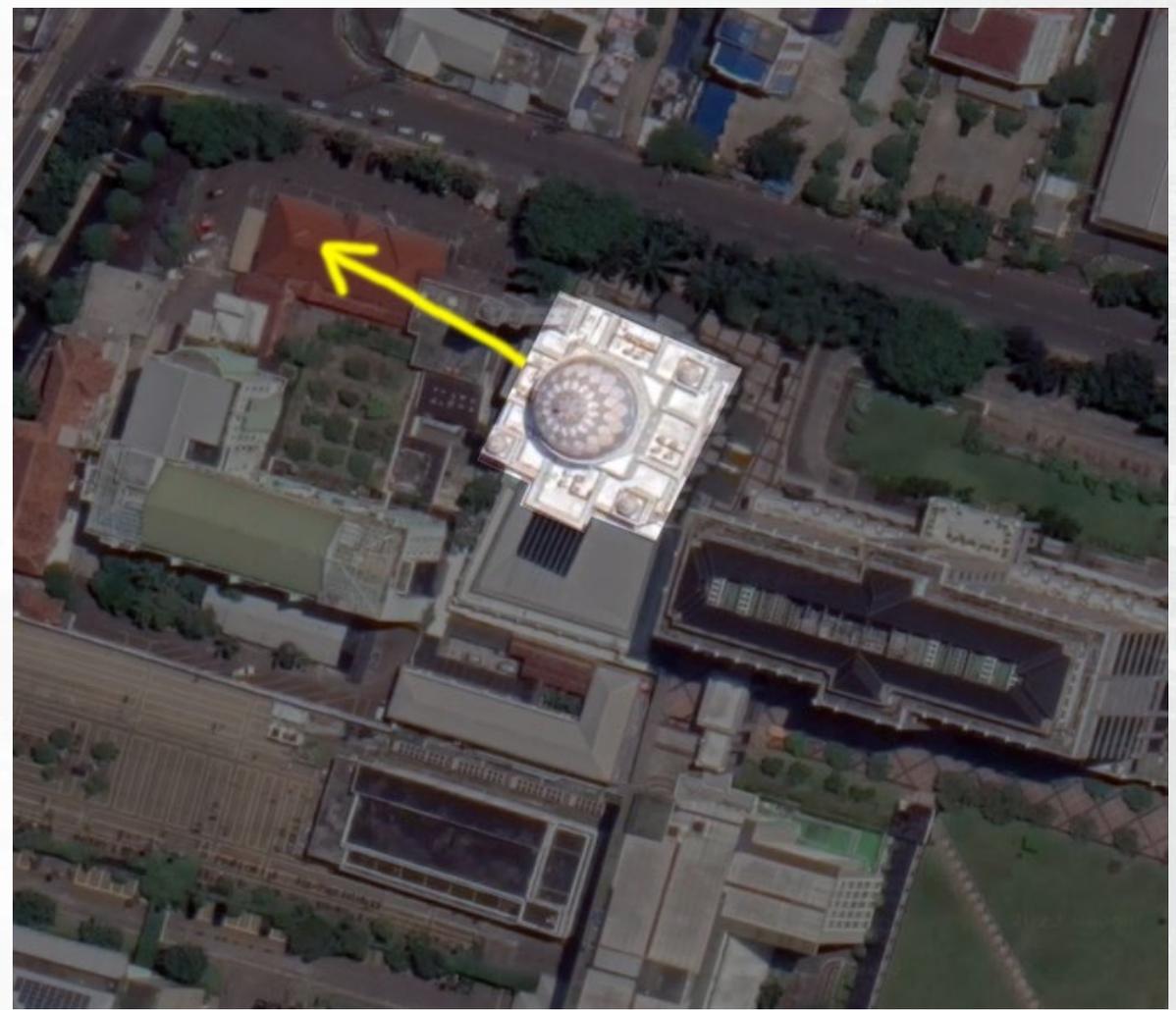
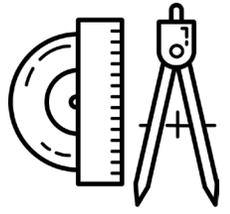
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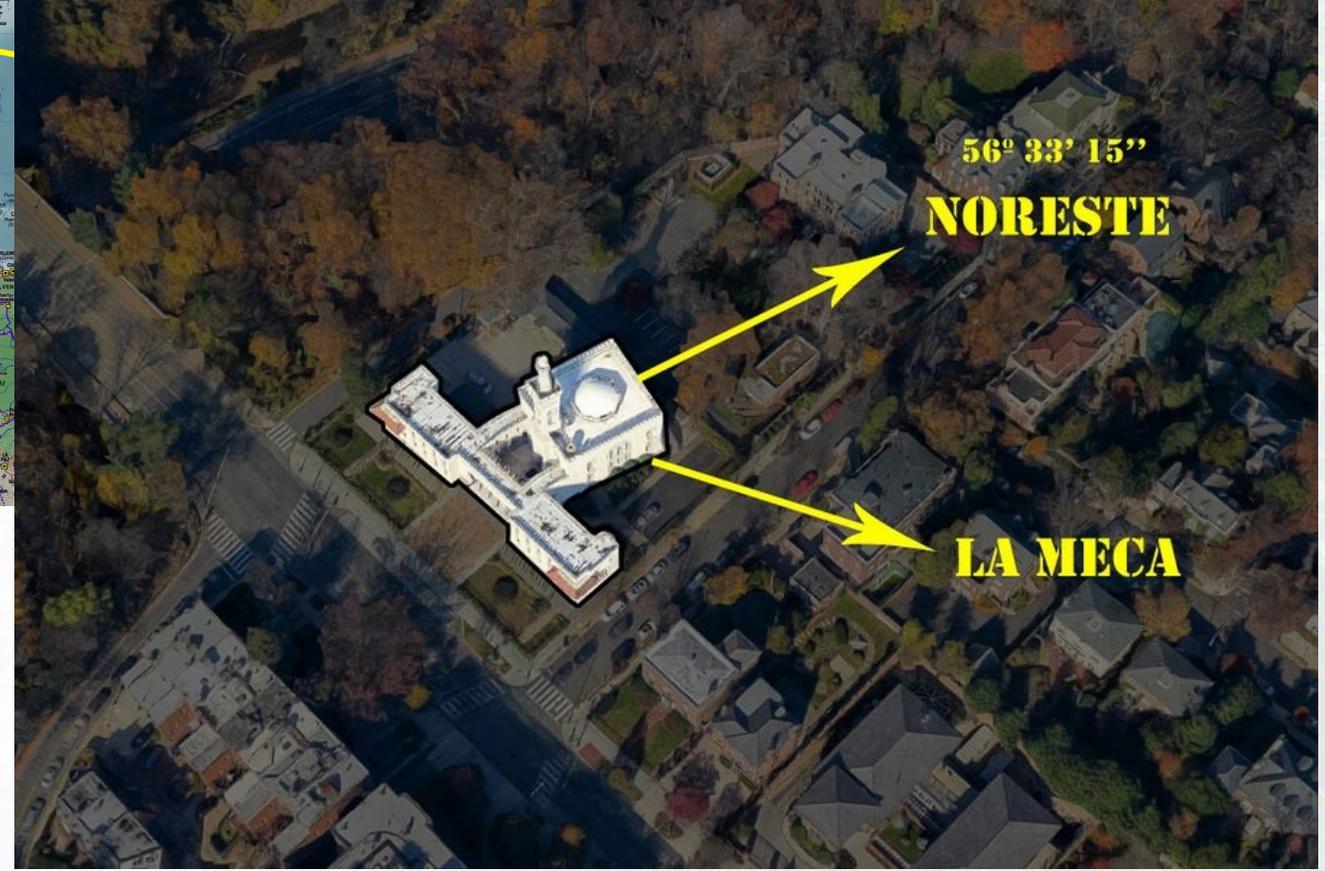
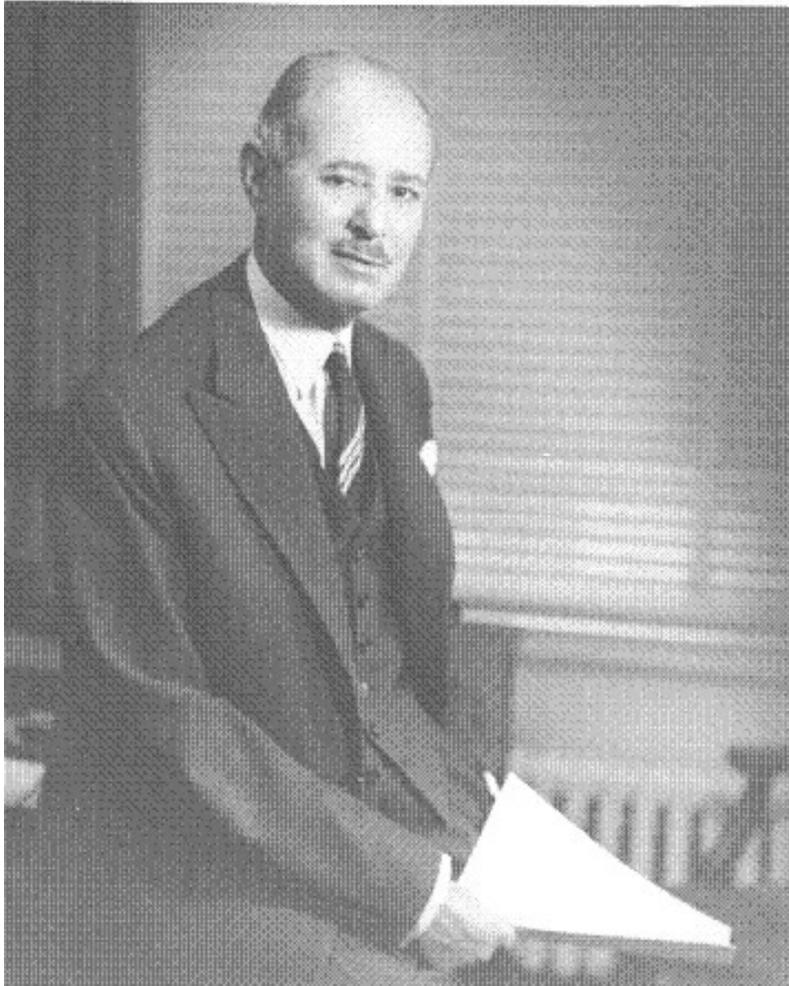
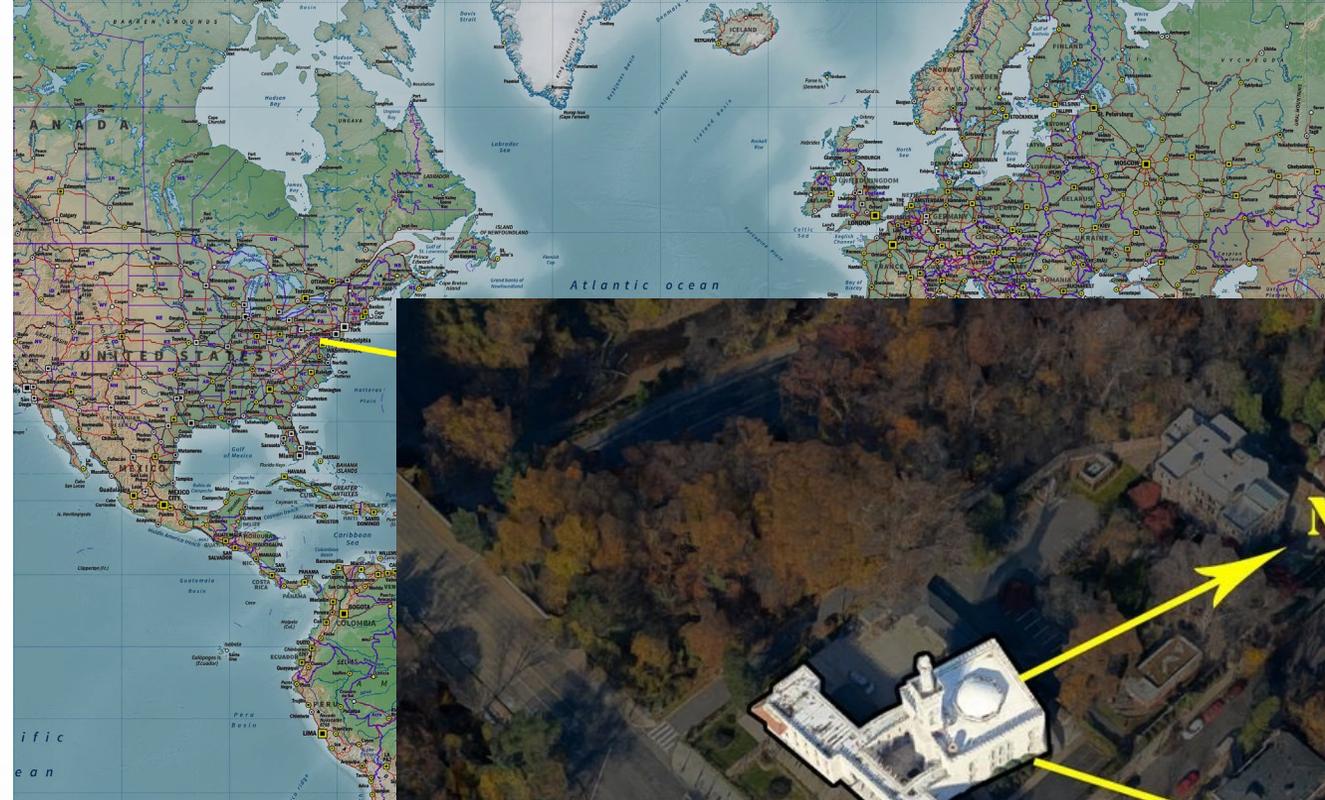
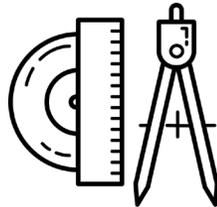
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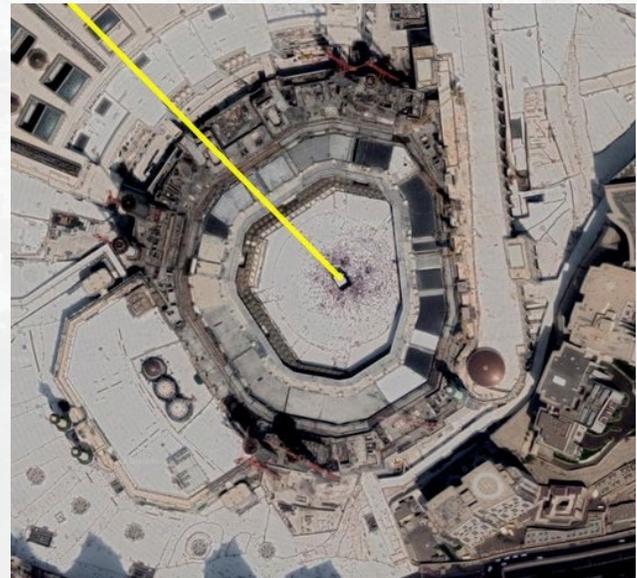
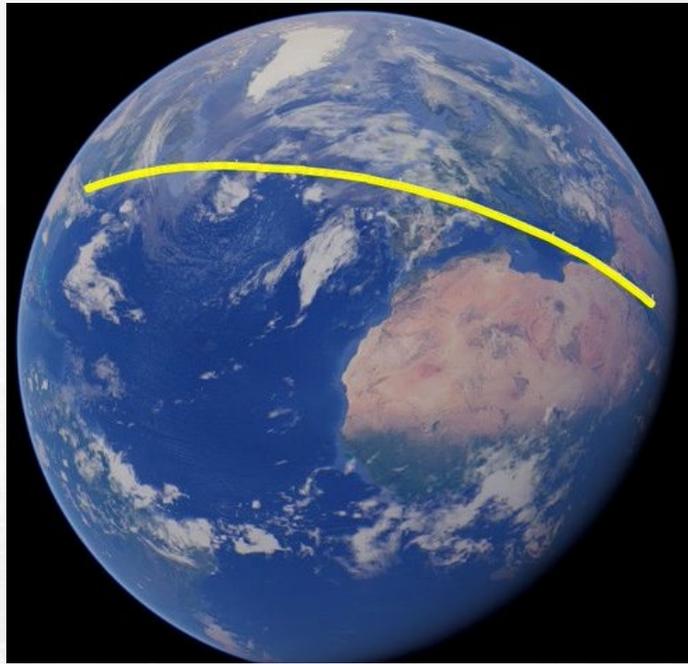
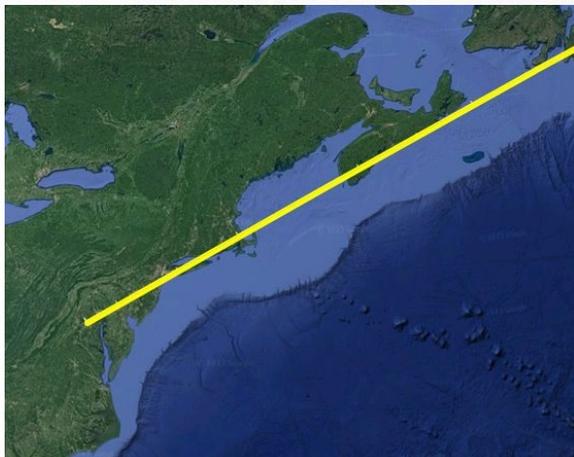
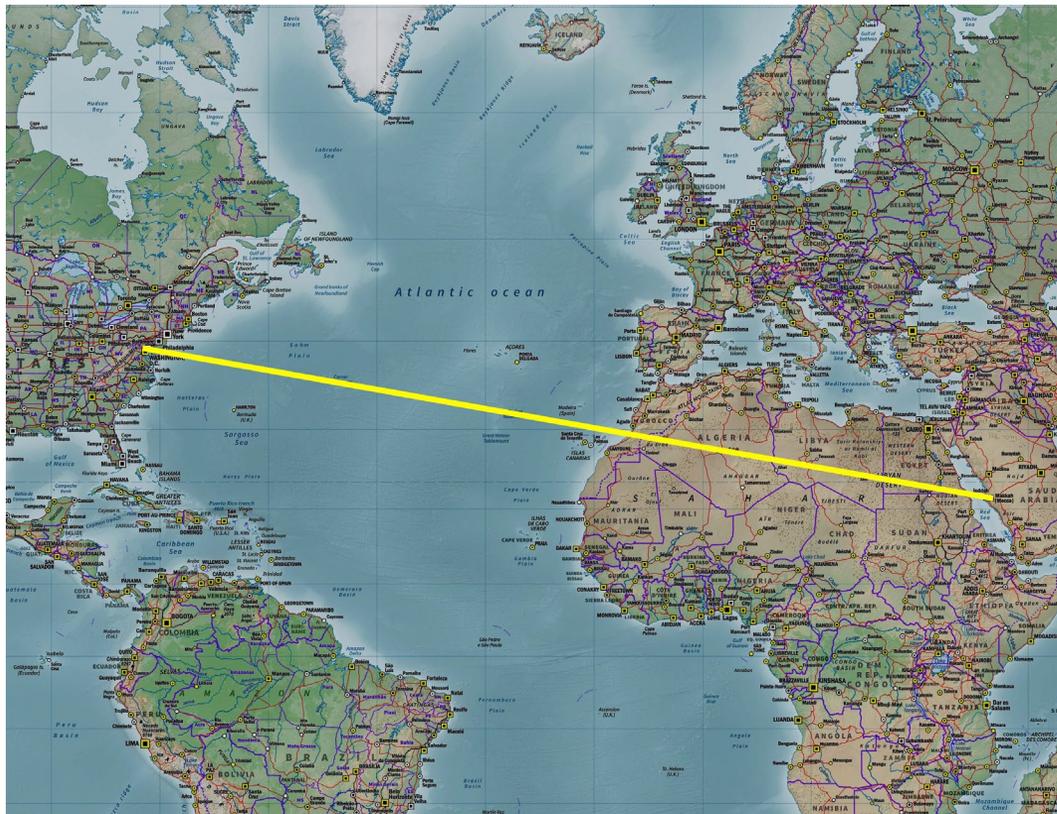
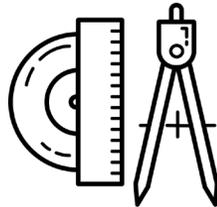
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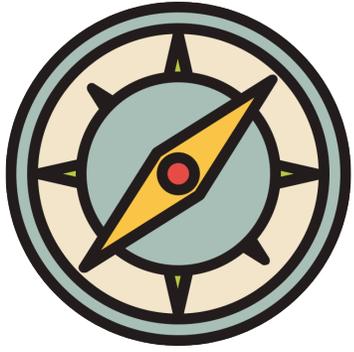
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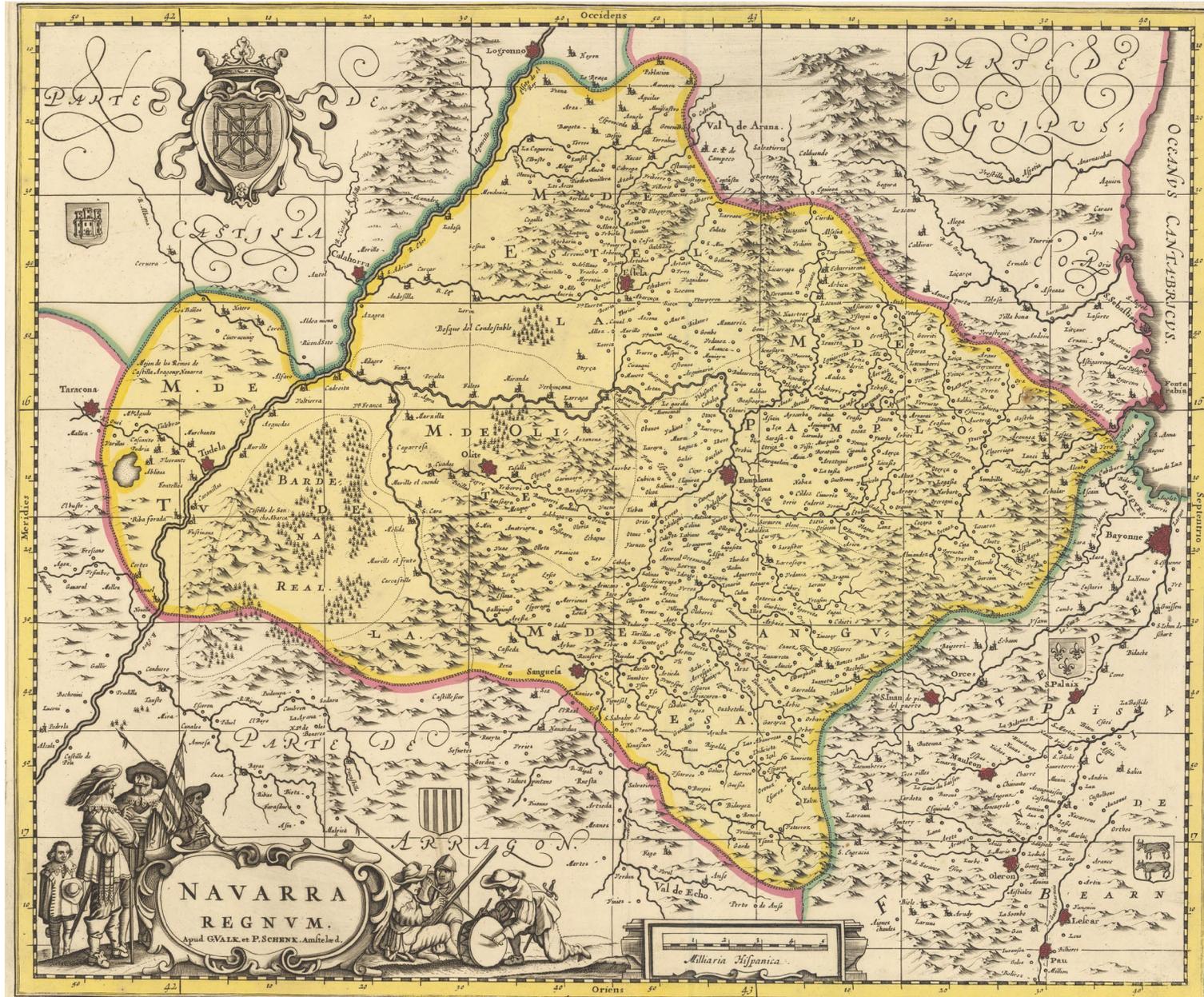
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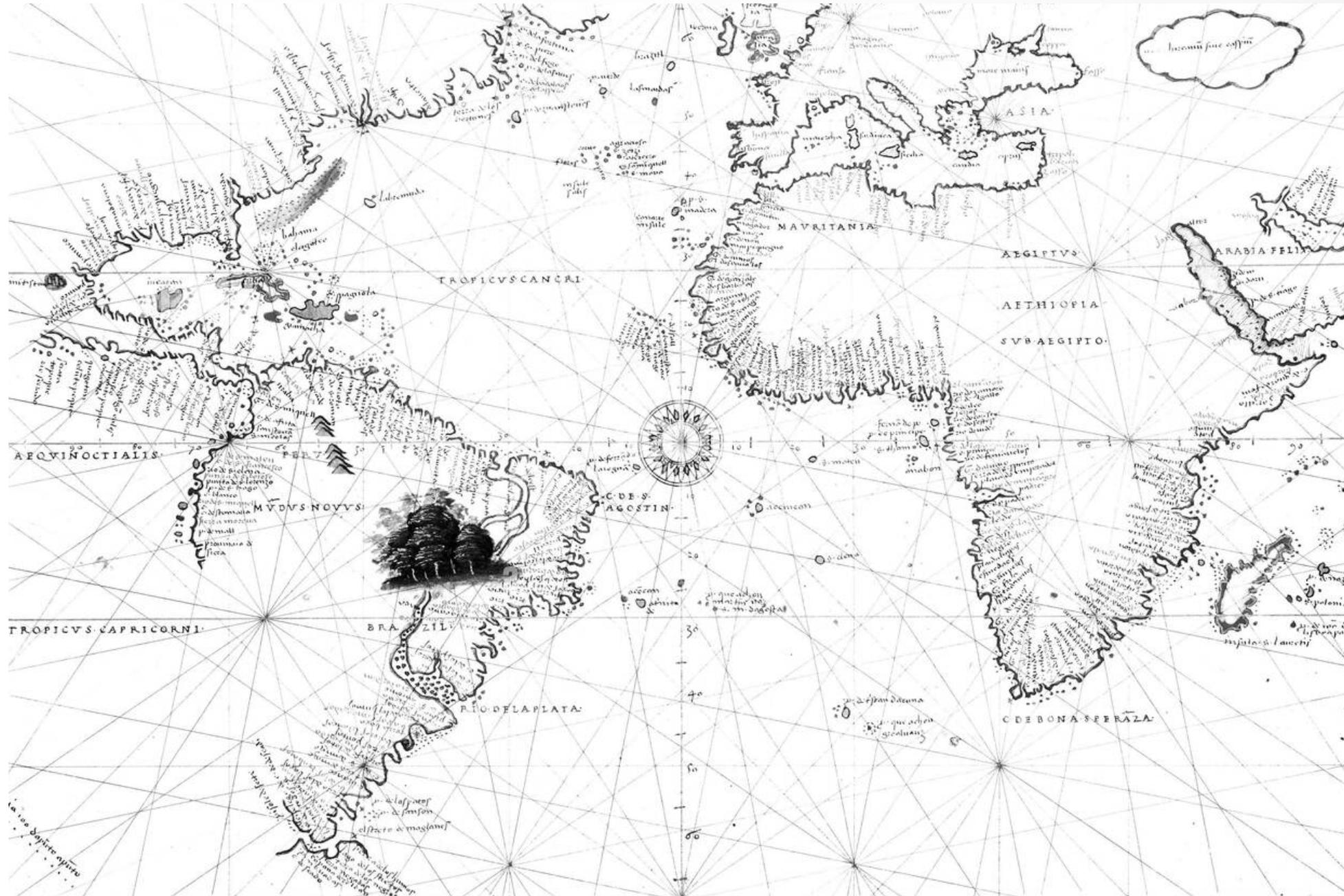
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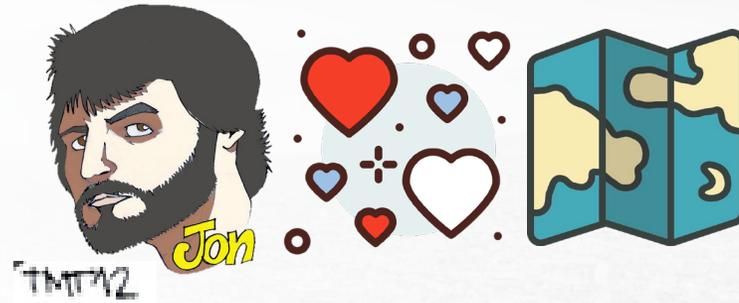
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What do these previous slides show us?

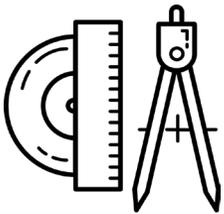
0 – Jon is fond of maps (and cartography in general)



Models are **a simplified description**, of a system or process, to assist calculations and predictions.'



The best model is **the simplest one** which meet the objectives you are looking for



Models will almost always have **limitations**



Models may include **bias**, which can affect the both the results and analysis of them.

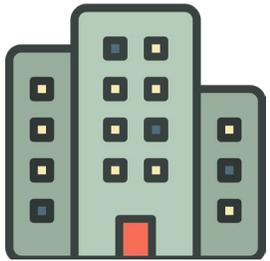
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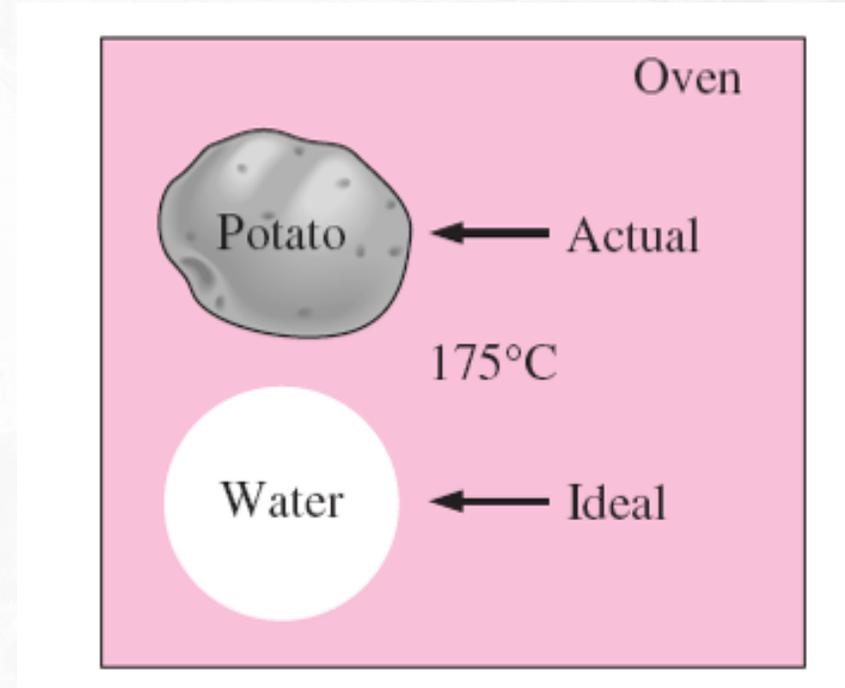
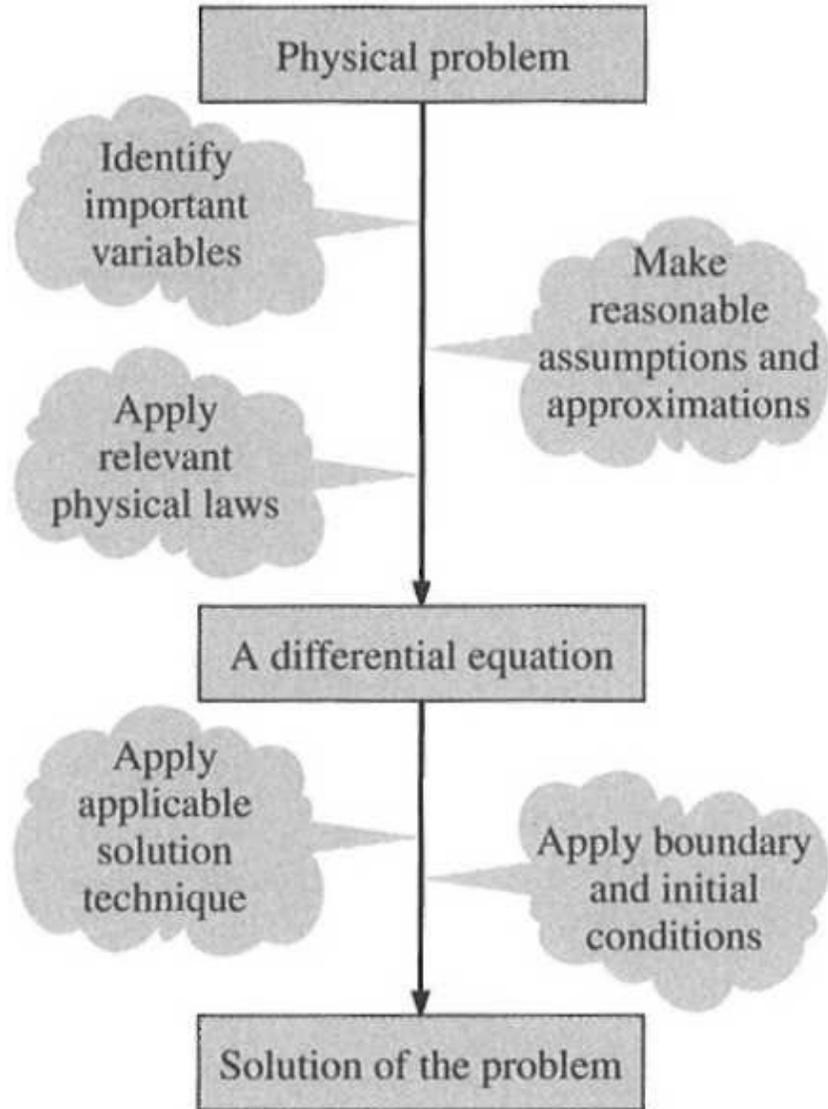
*“All models are wrong,  
some are useful”*

George Box

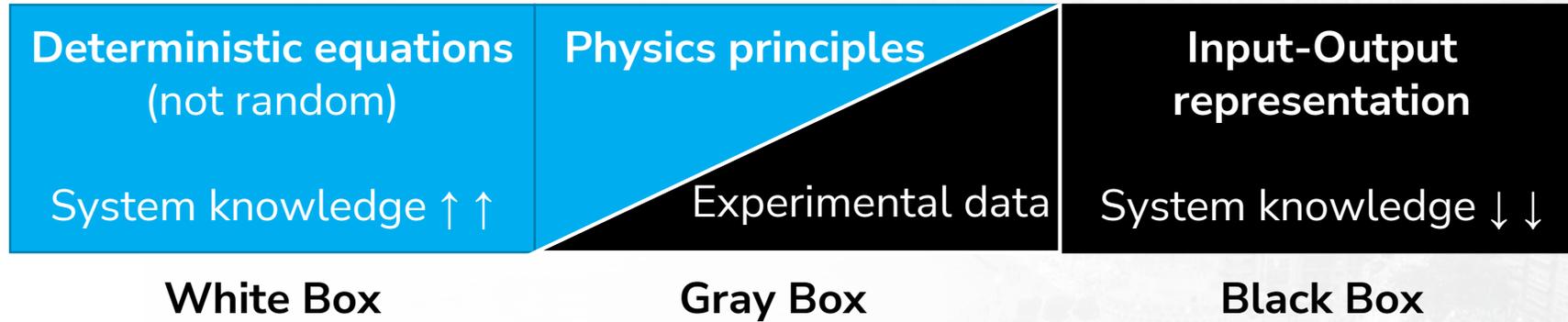
*What about  
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models?*



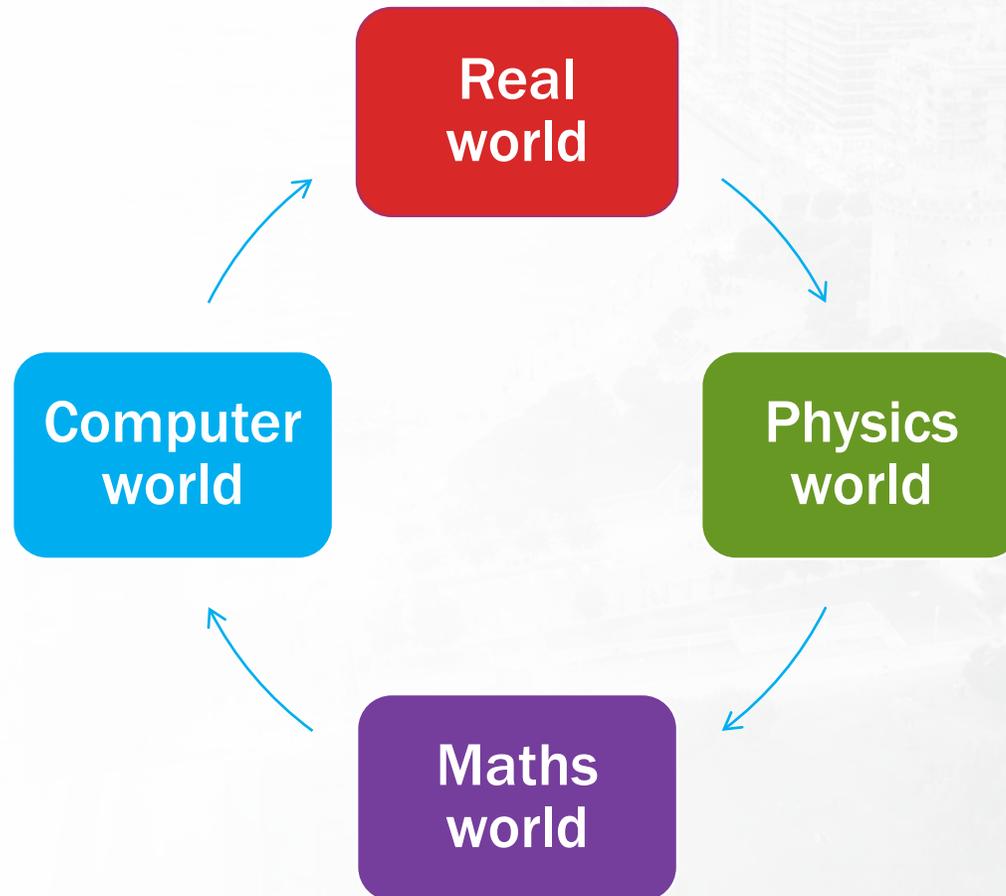
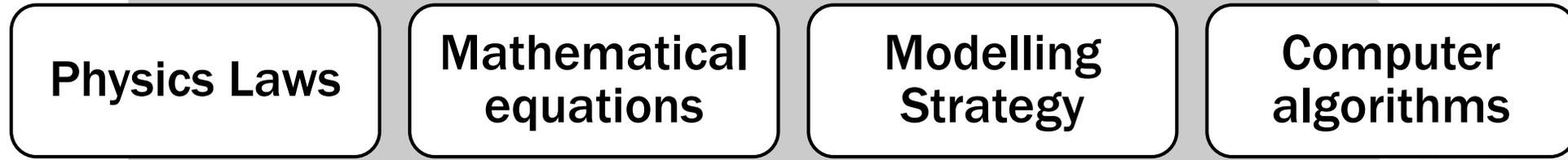
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# Mathematical models and monitoring studies

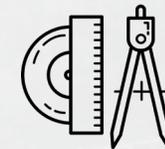
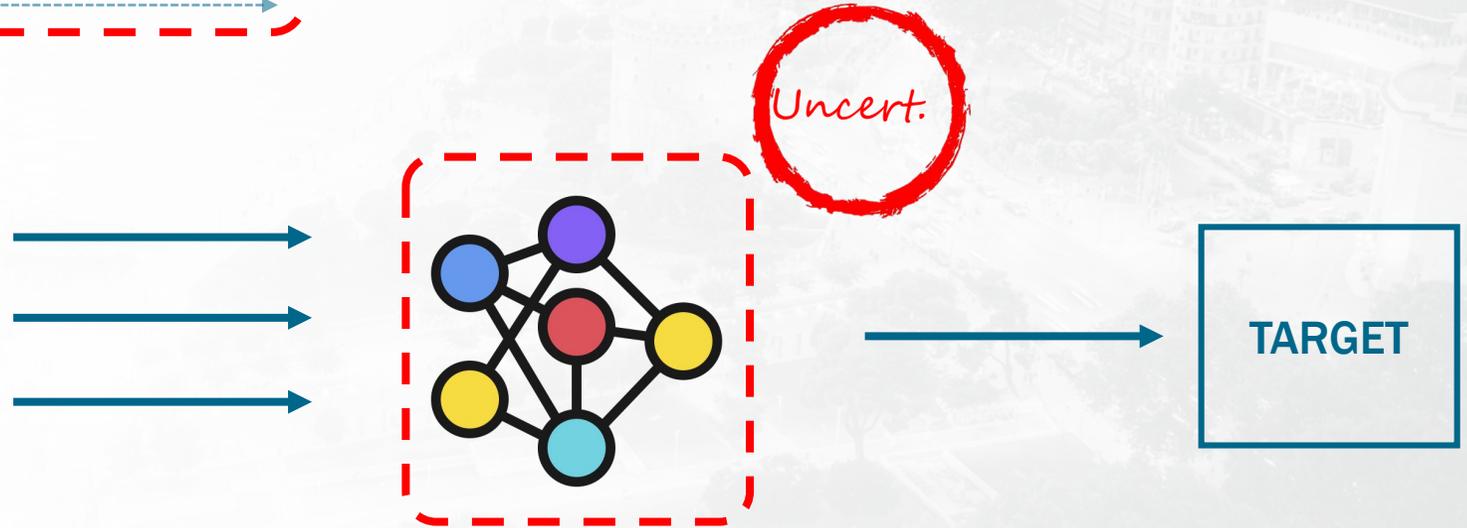
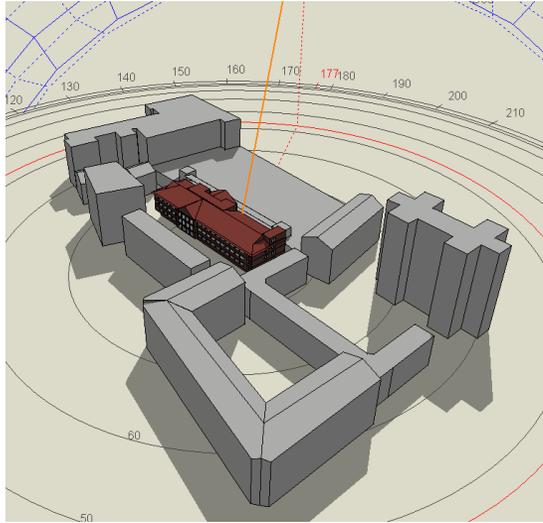




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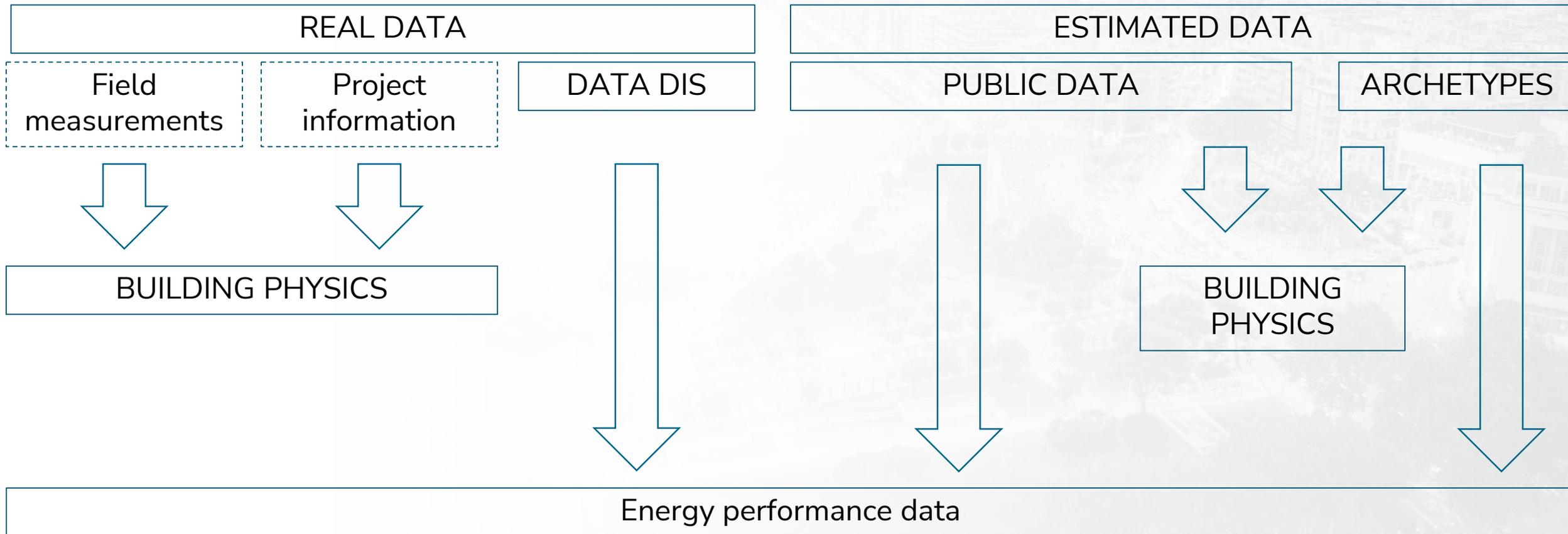
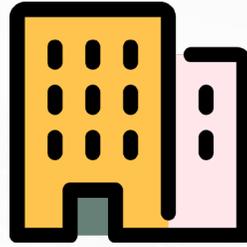
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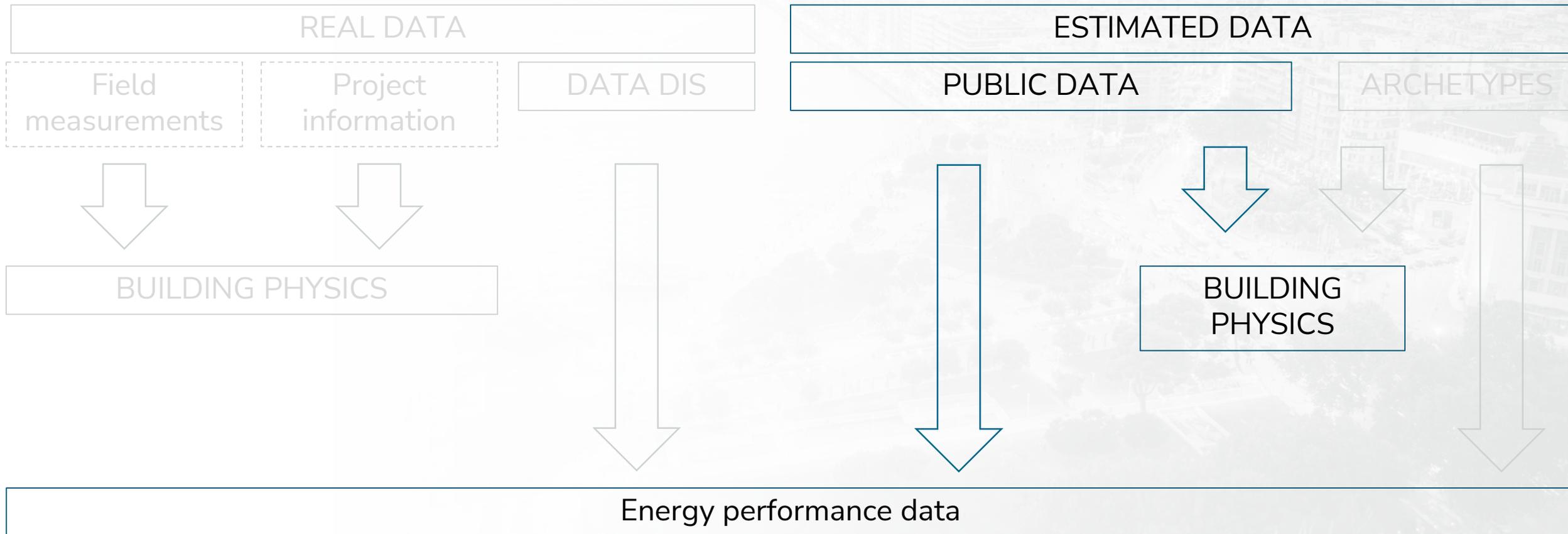
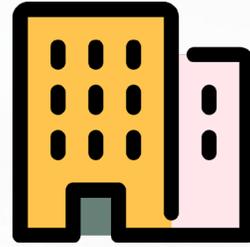
# Data for Buildings' Energy Performance?



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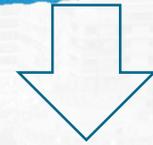
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*Standard values (by uses)*



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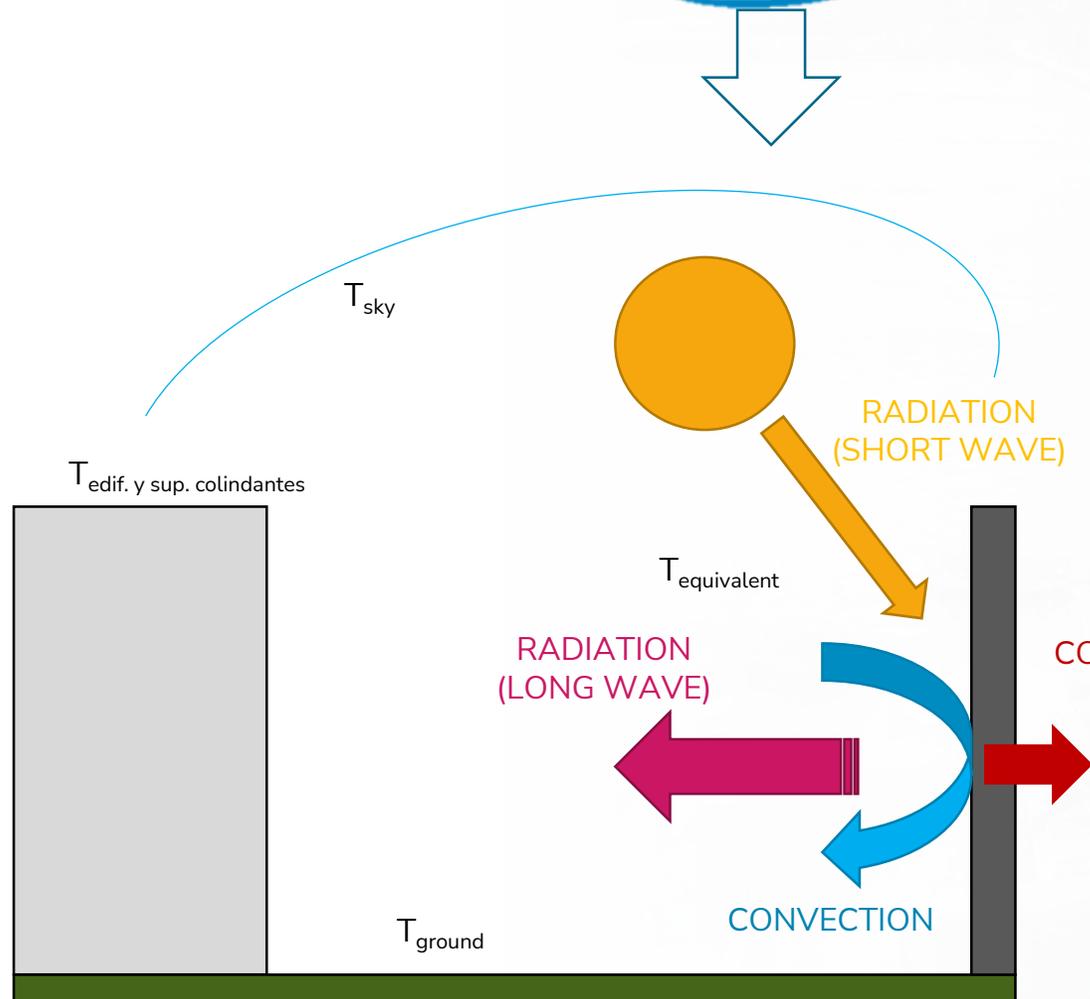


$$Q_{needs} = Envelope + Inf + Vent \pm Gains_{solar} \pm Gains_{int}$$

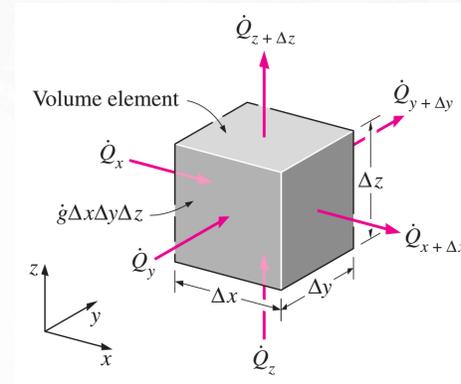


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Constant conductivity:

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## GENERAL EQUATION OF HEAT CONDUCTION

## CONVECTION

### FORCED CONVECTION?

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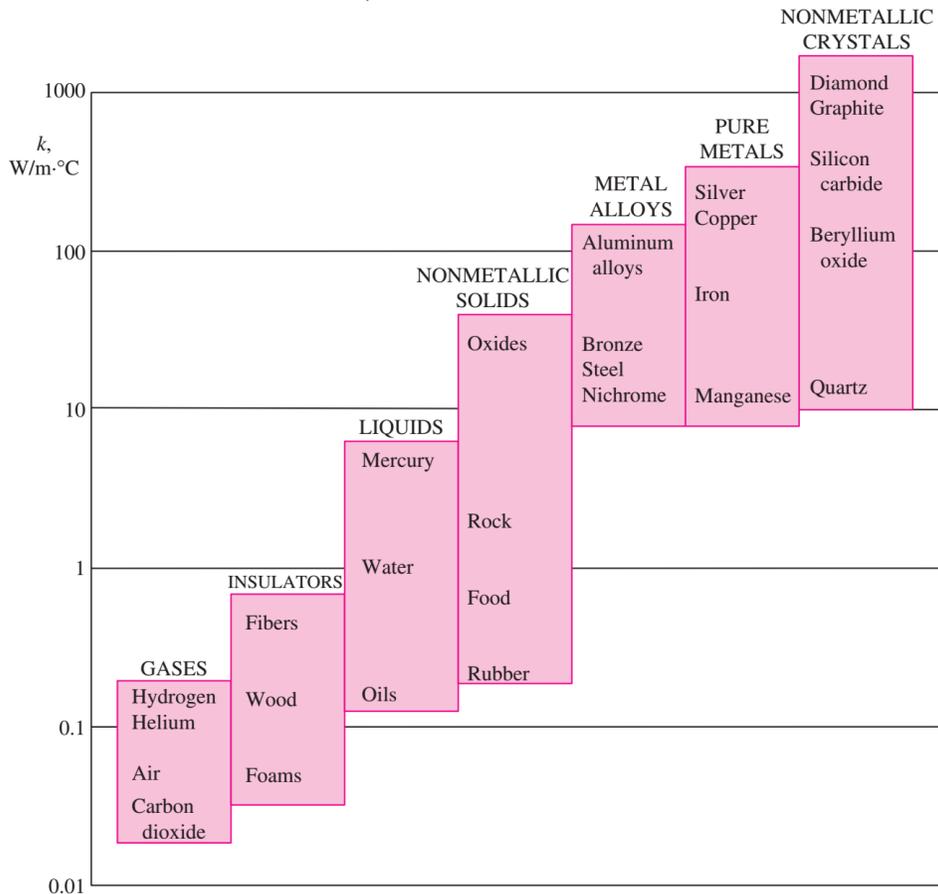
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(b) Lower surface of a hot plate (or upper surface of a cold plate)	$A_s/p$	$10^4 - 10^{11}$	$Nu = 0.27 Ra^{1/4}$ (9-24)
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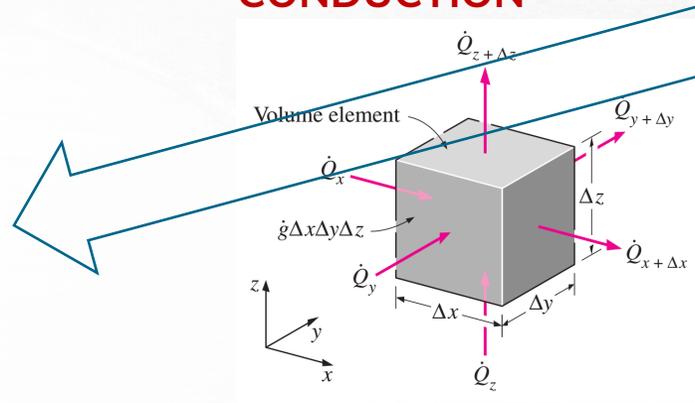
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## CONDUCTION, RAW MATERIALS



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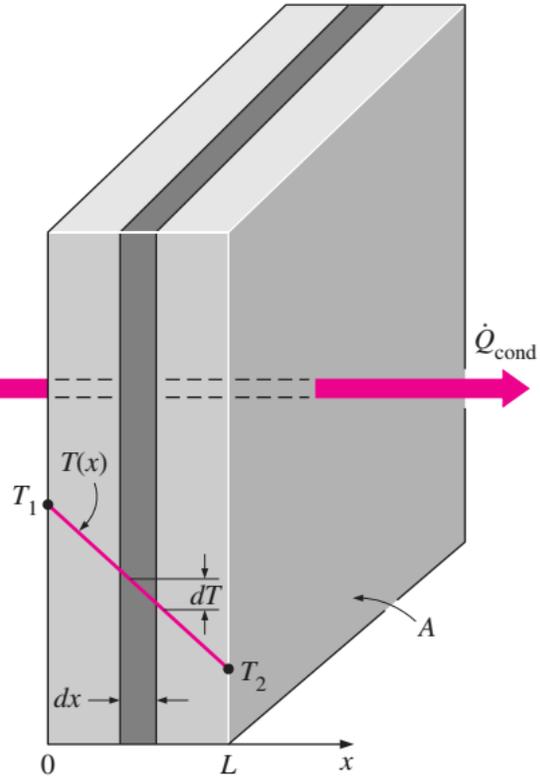
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$$\dot{Q}_{in} = \dot{Q}_{out} = \dot{Q}_{cond} = cte$$



$$\dot{Q}_{cond,wall} = -kA \frac{dT}{dx}$$



$$\dot{Q}_{cond,wall} = kA \frac{T_1 - T_2}{L} \Rightarrow$$

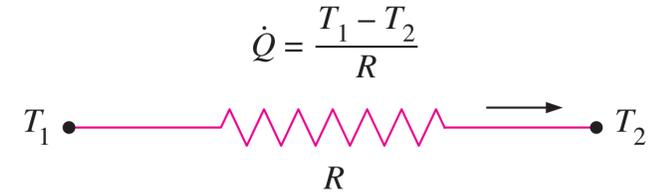
$$\Rightarrow \frac{\dot{Q}_{cond,wall}}{A} = \dot{q}_{cond,wall} = k \frac{T_1 - T_2}{L}$$

**Thermoelectric Analogy**

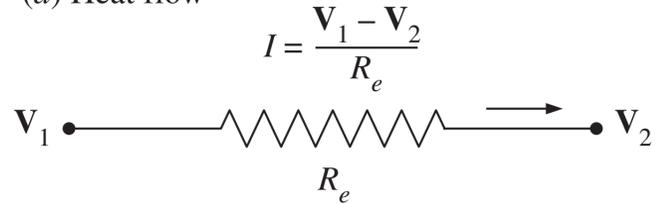
Conditions:

Steady state (it means static situation)

No heat generation (only heat transfers)



(a) Heat flow

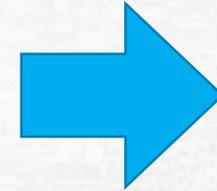


(b) Electric current flow

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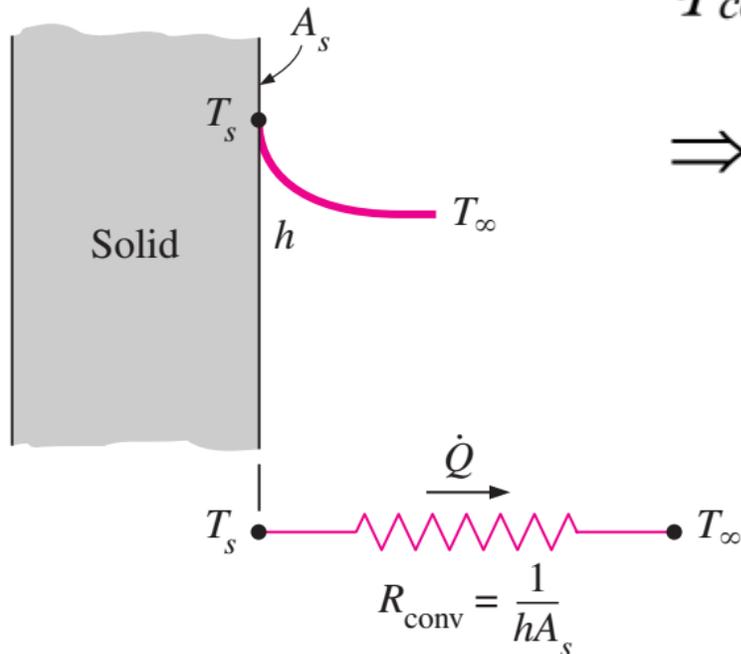
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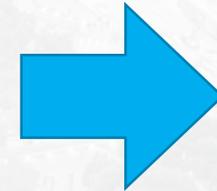


$$R_{wall} = \frac{L}{k}$$

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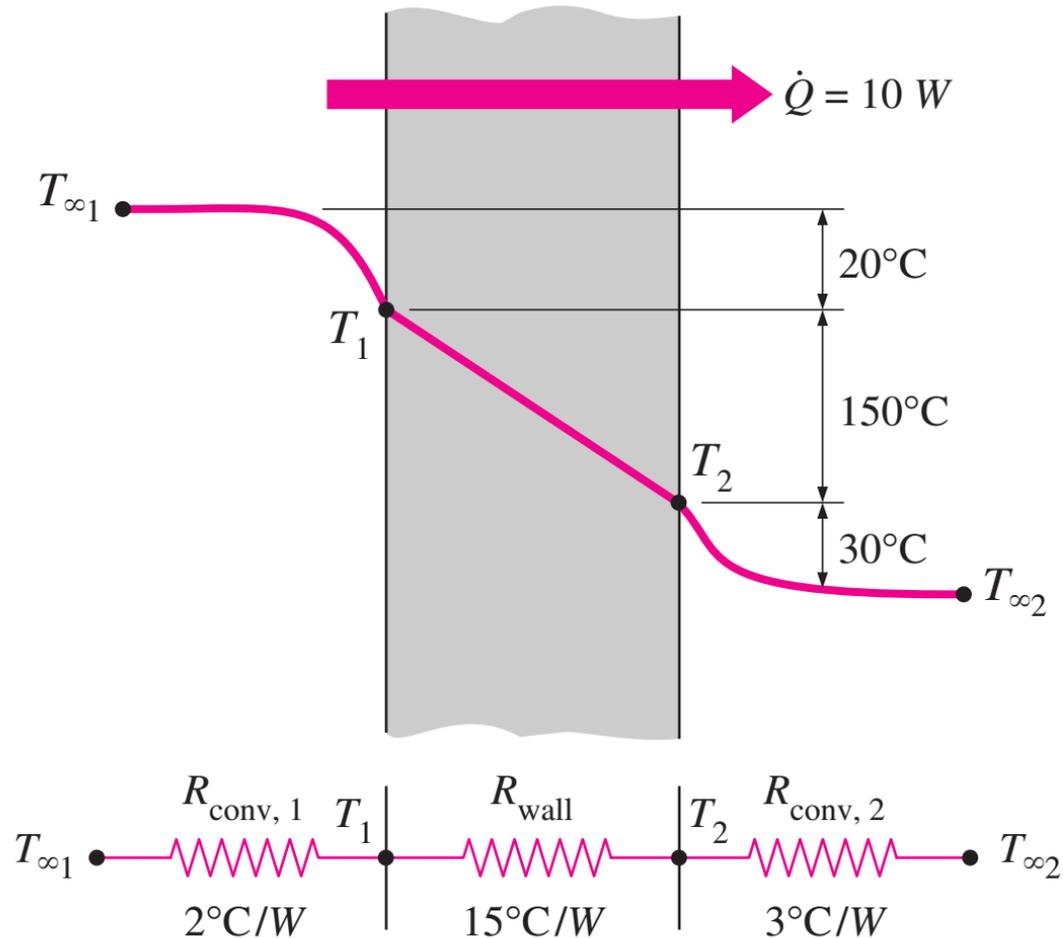
$$\dot{q}_{conv} = h \cdot (T_s - T_\infty) \Rightarrow$$
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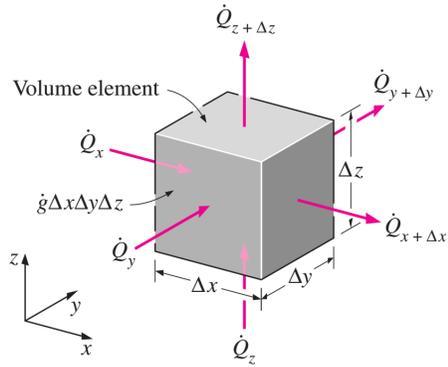


$$\dot{q} = \frac{\Delta T}{\sum R} = U \Delta T$$

$$U = \frac{1}{R_{in} + R_{wall} + R_{out}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{h_{in}} + \frac{L}{k} + \frac{1}{h_{out}}}$$

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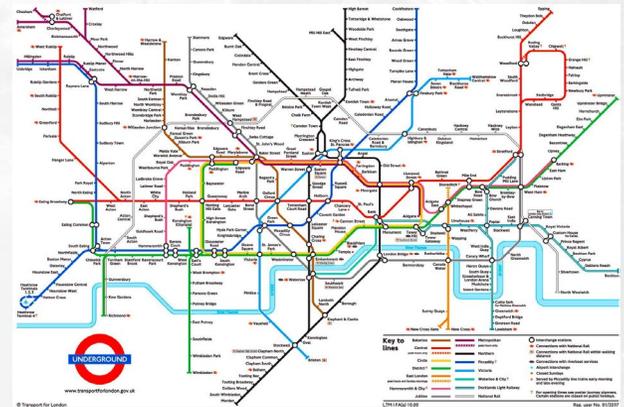
$$\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2} + \frac{\dot{e}_{gen}}{k} = \frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{\partial T}{\partial t}$$

Empirical correlations for the average Nusselt number for natural convection over surfaces

Geometry	Characteristic length $L_c$	Range of Ra	Nu	
Vertical plate		$10^4 - 10^6$ $10^5 - 10^{11}$	$Nu = 0.59Ra^{1/4}$ $Nu = 0.13Ra^{1/3}$	(9-19) (9-20)
		Entire range	$Nu = \left\{ 0.825 + \frac{0.387Ra^{1/4}}{[1 + (0.492/Pr)^{3/4}]^{1/4}} \right\}^4$ (complex but more accurate)	(9-21)
Inclined plate			Use vertical plate equations for the upper surface of a cold plate and the lower surface of a hot plate Replace $g$ by $g \cos \theta$ for $Ra < 10^9$	
Horizontal plate (Surface area $A_s$ and perimeter $p$ )		$10^4 - 10^6$ $10^5 - 10^{11}$	$Nu = 0.54Ra^{1/4}$ $Nu = 0.15Ra^{1/3}$	(9-22) (9-23)
Hot surface				
Cold surface				
Vertical cylinder		$10^4 - 10^{11}$	$Nu = 0.27Ra^{1/4}$	(9-24)
			A vertical cylinder can be treated as a vertical plate when $D \geq \frac{35L}{Gr^{1/4}}$	
Horizontal cylinder		$Ra_D \leq 10^{12}$	$Nu = \left\{ 0.6 + \frac{0.387Ra_D^{1/4}}{[1 + (0.559/Pr)^{3/4}]^{1/4}} \right\}^4$	(9-25)
Sphere		$Ra_D \leq 10^{11}$ ( $Pr \geq 0.7$ )	$Nu = 2 + \frac{0.589Ra_D^{1/4}}{[1 + (0.469/Pr)^{3/4}]^{1/4}}$	(9-26)

Laminar:  $Nu_x = \frac{h_x x}{k} = 0.332 Re_x^{0.5} Pr^{1/3} \quad Pr > 0.60$

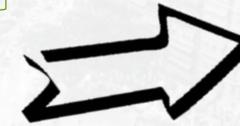
Turbulent:  $Nu_x = \frac{h_x x}{k} = 0.0296 Re_x^{0.8} Pr^{1/3} \quad 0.6 \leq Pr \leq 60$   
 $5 \times 10^5 \leq Re_x \leq 10^7$



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Envelope



Infil. & Vent.



Solar Gains



Internal Gains



Variable Category	Specific Building Parameter
Envelope characteristics	U-value of roof
	U-value of building façade
	U-value of window
	Window SHGC
	Infiltration losses
Building geometry	South equivalent surface (SES)
	Shape factor
	Roof surface area
	Façade surface area
Building operation	Window surface area
	Internal gains, uses
System configuration	Heating set point temperature
Outdoor climate	HDD, minimum temp, WDF...





*How these data can  
be organised for  
energy performance  
calculations?*

# EnePoMAP

*Mapping and providing cost effective solutions for tackling energy poverty*



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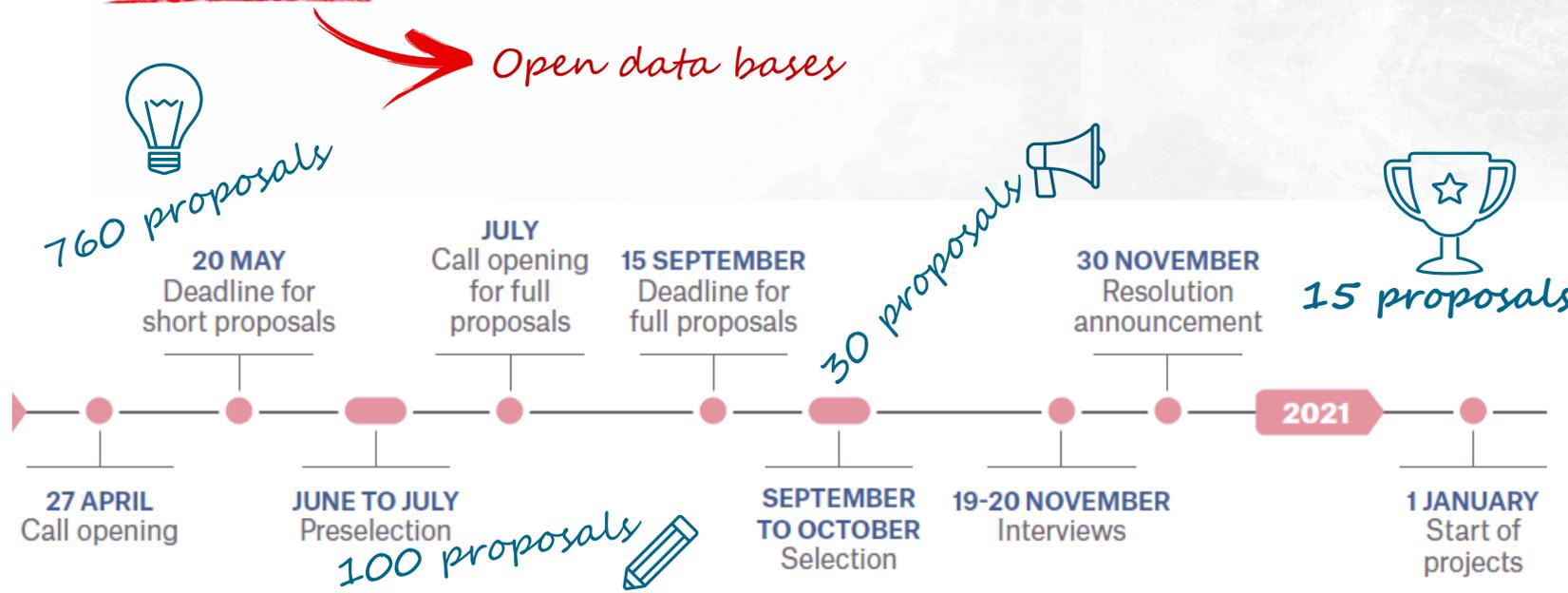
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Energy Poverty

## II Call “Social Research” (Fundación La Caixa)

“rely on data to provide robust quantifiable evidence and insights about current and emerging social challenges in Spain and Portugal. (...) This call is intended to promote social research projects based on sound quantitative data analysis to produce reliable evidence for policy decision-makers and practitioners, building bridges between science and society.

“The research must involve existing data (and) new data especially generated for the research project and/or new forms of data”



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## What is “Energy Poverty”?

Roots in MEDICAL SCIENCE (NHS in UK)

Effect on Indoor temperature, but also in other related aspects:

- ❑ Mold
- ❑ Humidity

Health effects

- ❑ Respiratory diseases
- ❑ Cardiovascular diseases
- ❑ Mental diseases

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## What is “Energy Poverty”?

*Situation in which households are unable to access essential energy services and products. It occurs when energy bills represent a high percentage of consumers' income, or when they must reduce their household's energy consumption to a degree that negatively impacts their health and well-being.*



Source: EU Energy Poverty Observatory:  
<https://www.energypoverty.eu/>

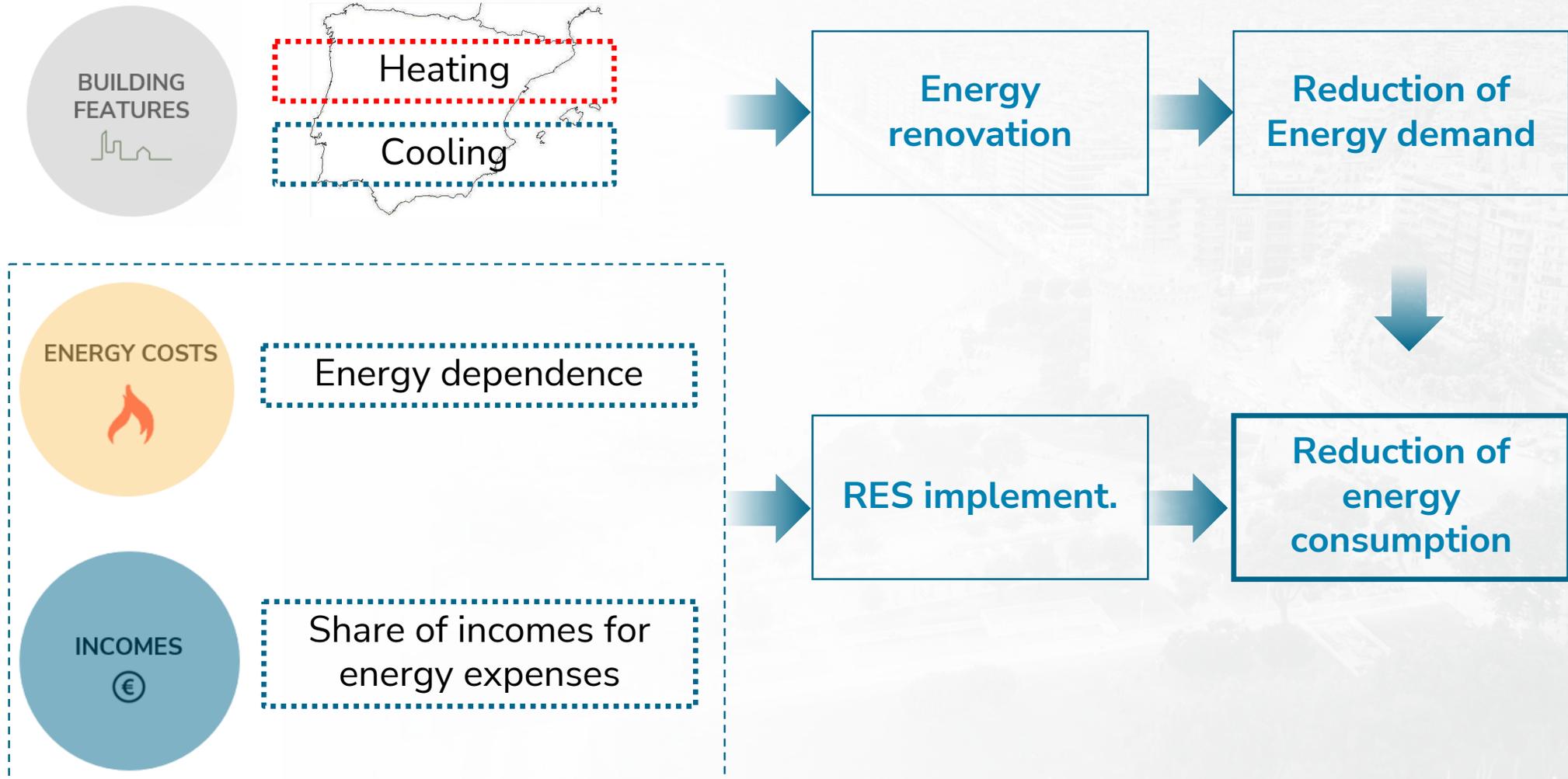
MULTIDIMENSIONAL AND COMPLEX PROBLEM

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What is “Energy Poverty”?



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## “Energy Poverty” Indicators

First indicator: BRENDA BOARDMAN 1991

Ten Per cent Rule (TPR): ratio between energy expenses and household incomes

$$Vulnerability \rightarrow \frac{\textit{Energy expenses}}{\textit{household incomes}} > 10\%$$

REAL VALUES, based on energy bills



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## “Energy Poverty” Indicators

What is energy poverty?



### SUBJECTIVE MEASURE

Declared discomfort related to the temperature in the apartment as well as humidity present in the apartment and the resident's difficulty to cover energy bills.



### OBJECTIVE MEASURE

The costs of energy are excessive in relation to the resident's income. He/she has trouble to cover those costs and satisfy other basic needs (for example for food or medicine).

### Absolute – Relative

- “Ten Percent Rule” (TPR): **ABSOLUTE**
- (2M), (M/2): **RELATIVE**

### Objective - Subjective

- Surveys: Declared discomfort, inability to cover energy bills (auto-perception) **SUBJECTIVE**
- Estimated energy demands, i.e. UK (Low Income High Cost, LIHC) **OBJECTIVE**

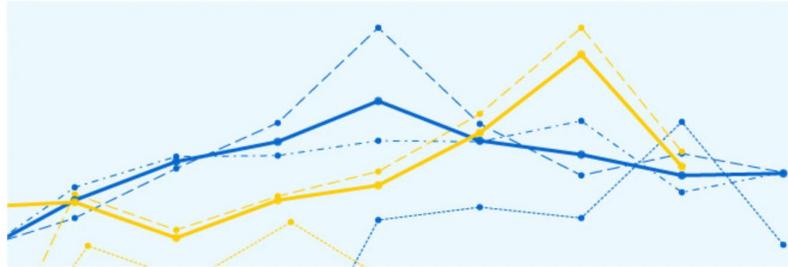
### (Expenses) Real – Calculated

- TPR
- 2M, M/2...
- LIHC

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## PRIMARY INDICATORS

EPOV provides four different primary indicators for energy poverty, of which two are based on self-reported experiences of limited access to energy services (based on EU-SILC data) and the other two are calculated using household income and/or energy expenditure data (based on HBS data).



### Arrears on utility bills

Share of (sub)population having arrears on utility bills.

### Low absolute energy expenditure (M/2)

Share of households whose absolute energy expenditure is below half the national median.

### High share of energy expenditure in income (2M)

The 2M indicator presents the proportion of households whose share of energy expenditure in income is more than twice the national median share.

### Inability to keep home adequately warm

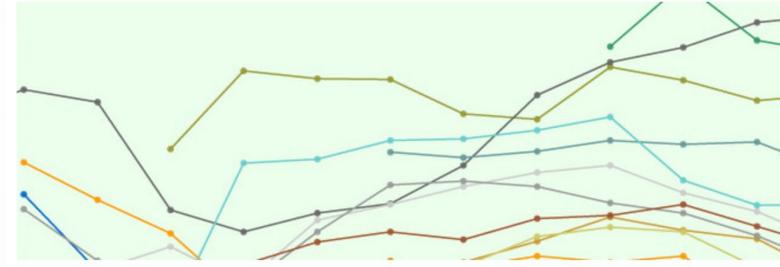
Share of (sub)population not able to keep their home adequately warm.

<https://www.energypoverty.eu/indicators-data>

## “Energy Poverty” Indicators

## SECONDARY INDICATORS

EPOV gathers data on a number of secondary indicators that are relevant in the context of energy poverty, but not directly indicators of energy poverty itself. Indicators include e.g. energy prices and housing-related data. Their development can be compared to the development of primary indicators in the graph tool when selecting a single country.



### Fuel oil prices

Average household prices per kWh generated from fuel oil

### Biomass prices

Average household prices per kWh generated from biomass

### Coal prices

Average household prices per kWh generated from coal

### Household electricity prices

Electricity prices for household consumers, band DC 2500-5000 kWh/yr consumption, all taxes and levies included

### District heating prices

Average household prices per kWh from district heating

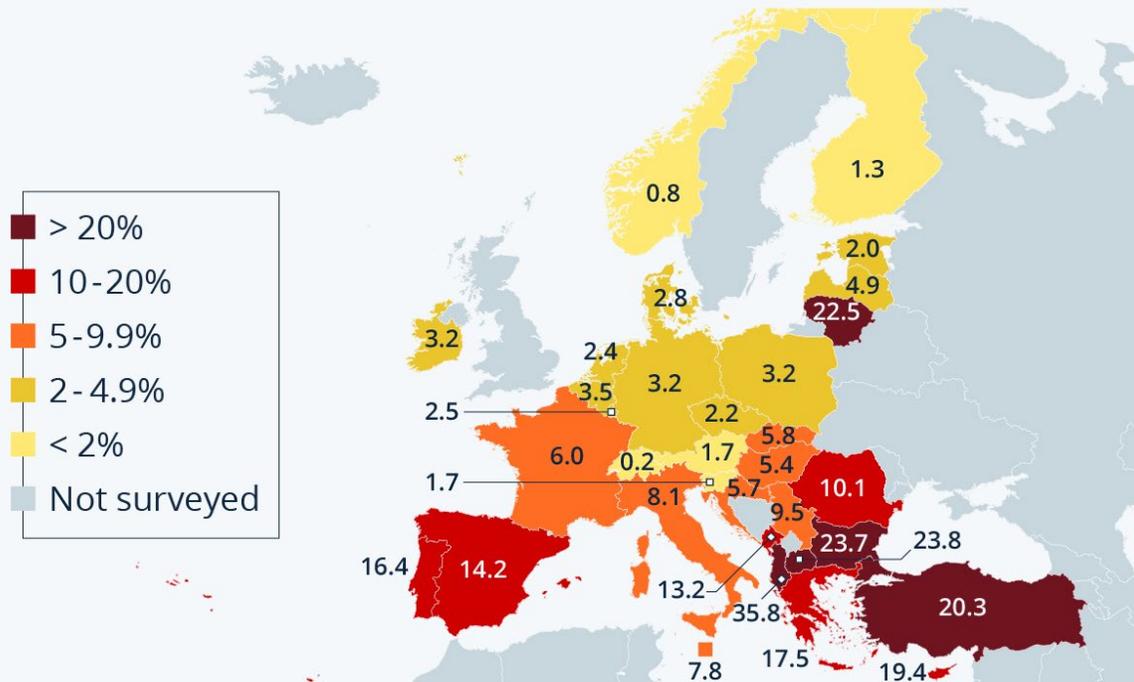
### Household gas prices

Natural gas prices for household consumers, band 20-200GJ consumption, all taxes and levies included

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## Energy Poverty in Europe

Share of households unable to adequately heat their homes in 2021 (in %)\*



\* or latest available data: 2020, 2019.

Source: Eurostat



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“People in **inefficient buildings** are more exposed to cold spells, heatwaves and other impacts of climate change. Inadequate comfort and sanitary conditions in housing and work environments, such as inadequate indoor temperatures, deficient air quality and exposure to harmful chemicals and materials, **contribute to lower productivity, health problems and higher mortality and morbidity**”

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## Energy Poverty Advisory Hub (EPAH)

The screenshot shows the website header with the EU Energy Poverty Observatory logo and the European Commission logo. A search bar and 'Register | Login' links are present. The main navigation menu includes: Home, About, Knowledge & Resources, Indicators & Data, News & Events, Forum, and Members. The main content area features a large blue banner with the title 'About the Energy Poverty Advisory Hub' in yellow. Below the title, a message states: 'THE WEBSITE IS IN TRANSITION TO REFLECT THE RENEWED VISION AND MISSION OF THE INITIATIVE DURING 2021. STAY TUNED FOR UPCOMING UPDATES.' A 'More info' button is located at the bottom left of the banner. The background of the banner has abstract blue shapes.

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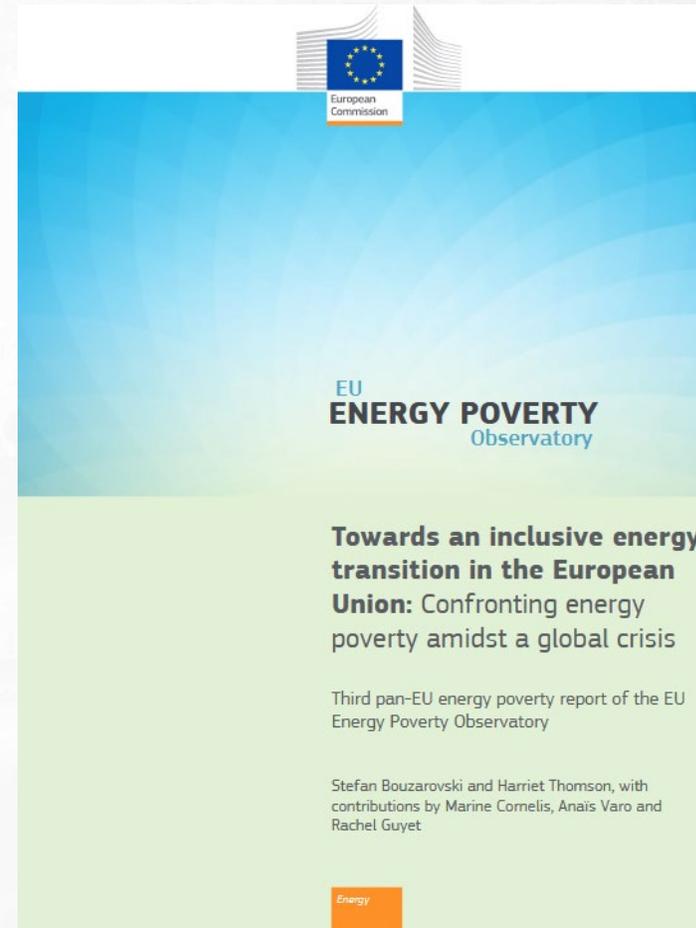
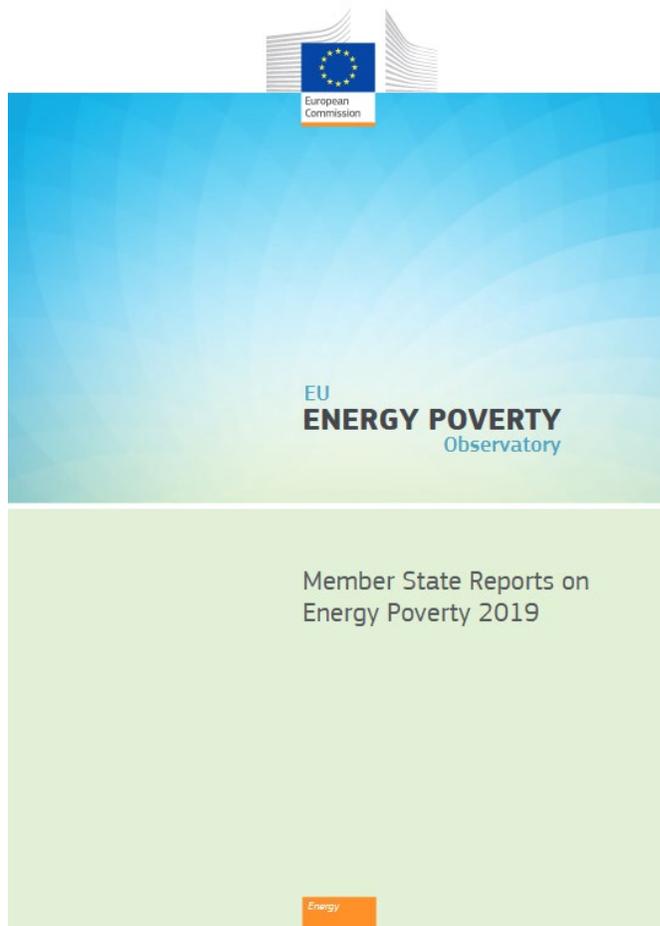
- WHAT IS ENERGY POVERTY?**  
Adequate warmth, cooling, lighting and the energy to power appliances are essential services needed to guarantee a decent standard of living and citizens' health. Energy poverty occurs when a household suffers from a lack of adequate energy services in the home.  
[Learn more](#)
- ABOUT THE OBSERVATORY**  
The EU Energy Poverty Observatory (EPOV) is an exciting new initiative by the European Commission to help Member States in their efforts to combat energy poverty. It exists to improve the measuring, monitoring and sharing of knowledge and best practice on energy poverty.  
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- BECOME A MEMBER**  
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Search for practical examples of policies and measures to address energy poverty.
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Get advice on essential points to consider when drafting policies to address energy poverty.
- Training Material**  
Discover relevant training material, including toolkits, courses, and videos.
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## Energy Poverty Advisory Hub (EPAH)



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**WHAT IS NEEDED**

A **WIN-WIN-WIN** FOR TACKLING CLIMATE CHANGE, ENERGY POVERTY & KICKSTARTING GREEN JOB CREATION

**1.** AT LEAST 3% DEEP RENOVATION RATE

**2.** MINIMUM ENERGY PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

**3.** ADEQUATE FINANCE & FUNDING

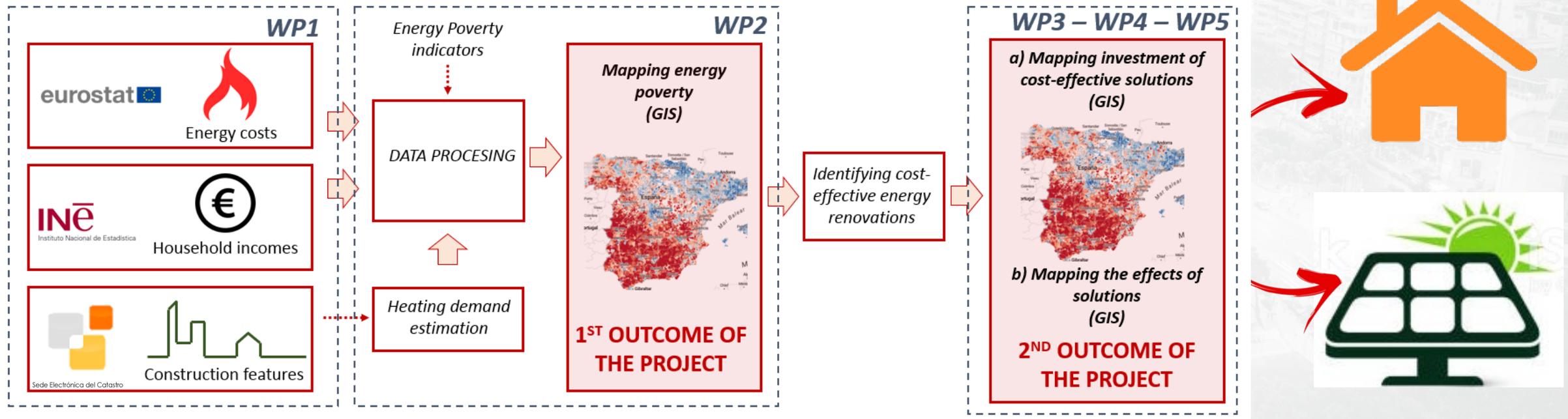
**4.** PRIORITY LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS

EU

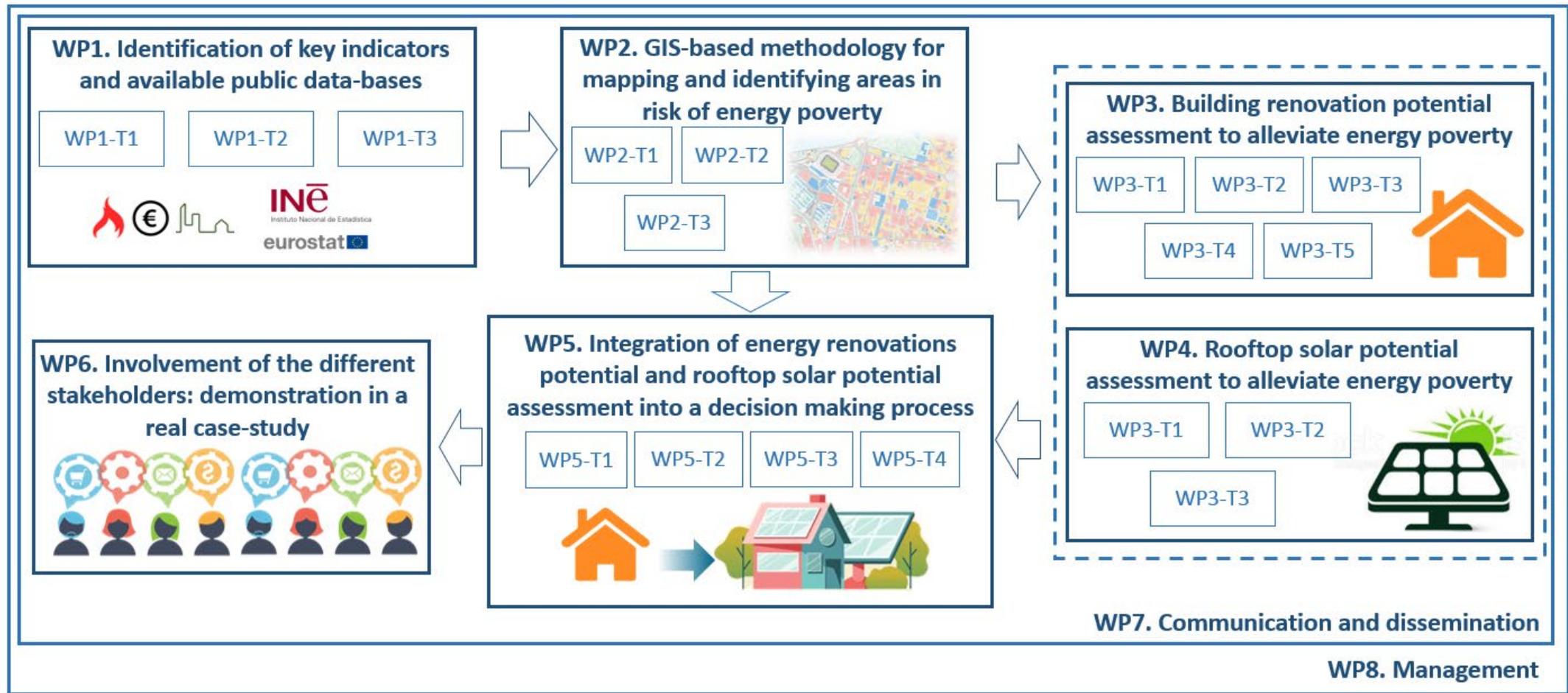
TOWARDS A HEALTHY, RENOVATED EUROPE

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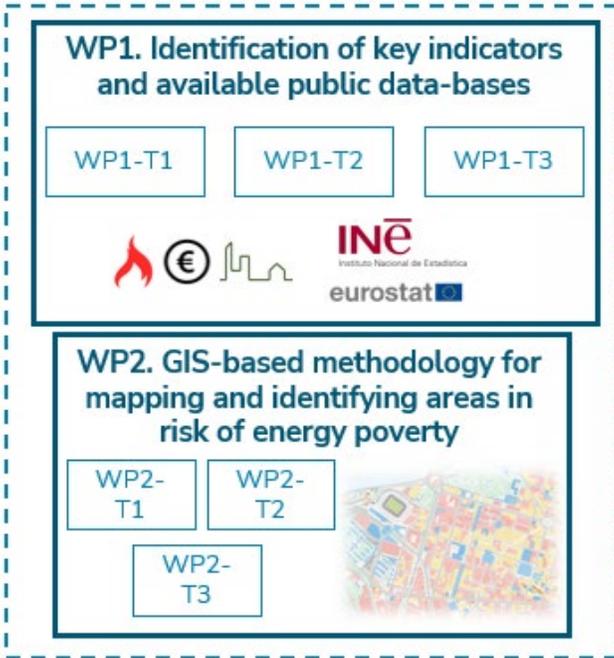
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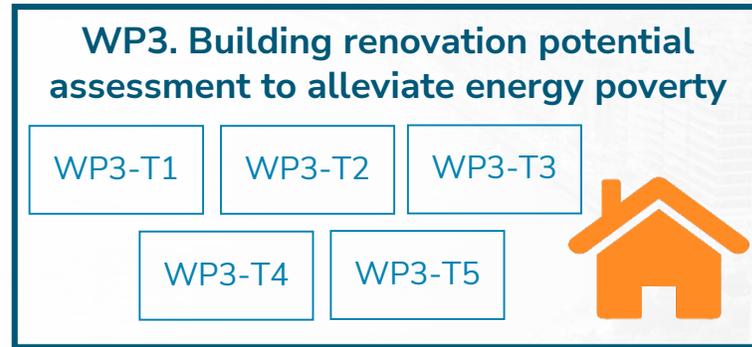
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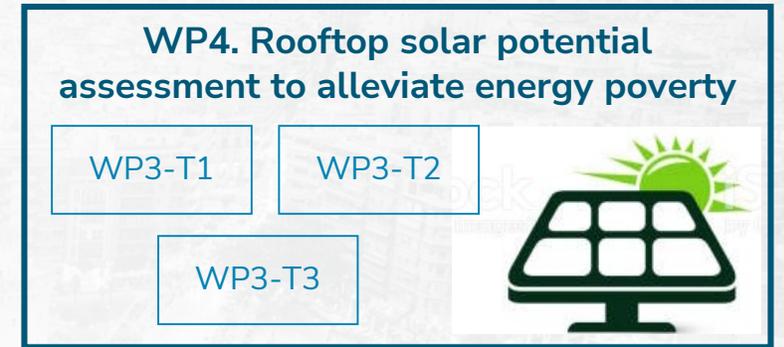
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*Diagnosis*



*Potentials: Energy Efficiency*



*Potentials: RES implementation*

**Stage 1.**



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**Main objective:** a procedure to evaluate energy vulnerability on a regional scale:

- ❑ enabling the identification of priority areas
- ❑ insights into the main weaknesses in those areas



*Prioritise areas at regional level for energy renovation in buildings*

Requirements



**limited amount** of indicators



the indicators should be derived from **public databases**



they should be **updated periodically**



**Sufficiently disaggregated** to determine inequalities within municipalities

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### Diagnosis

DIMENSION		PARAMETER	INDICATOR		Threshold	Data source
	BUILDINGS FEATURES	Low building efficiency	High building age	% buildings built before 1979	Q1	Cadastre
			Poor energy rating	% of buildings with G rating	1.5 x reg. mean	EPCs
		Inadequate thermal facilities	Buildings with no heating system	% of dwellings	1.5 x reg. mean	EUSTAT/INE
	ENERGY COSTS	High energy expenses	High average PEC	Average PE consumption in kWh/m <sup>2</sup> /year	2 x reg. median	EPCs
	SOCIO-ECONOMIC FACTORS	Low income	High proportion of low-income people	% of households with incomes <60% of the regional median	1.5 x reg. mean	INE
		Age vulnerability	High proportion of people >65 or <5	% of people >65 or <5	1.5 x reg. mean	INE

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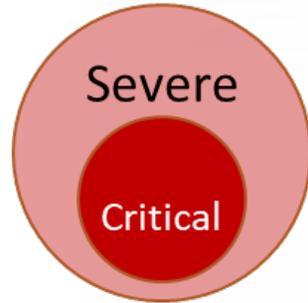
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DIMENSION	PARAMETER	INDICATOR	LEVEL OF SEVERITY
 BUILDINGS FEATURES	Low building efficiency	High building age Poor energy rating	Level I: Low building efficiency OR Inadequate thermal facilities  Level II: Low building efficiency AND Inadequate thermal facilities
	Inadequate thermal facilities	Buildings with no heating system	
↕			
 ENERGY COSTS	High energy expenses	High average PEC	Level I
 SOCIO- ECONOMIC FACTORS	Low income	High proportion of low-income people	Level I: Low income  Level II: Low income AND Age vulnerability
	Age vulnerability	High proportion of people >65 or <5	

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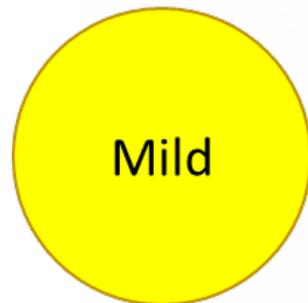


Highest-level severity for at least two out of three dimensions

*Critical: a sub-category of Severe, the census section is additionally identified as red in the Atlas of Urban Vulnerability in Spain*



Level 1 severity for all three dimensions

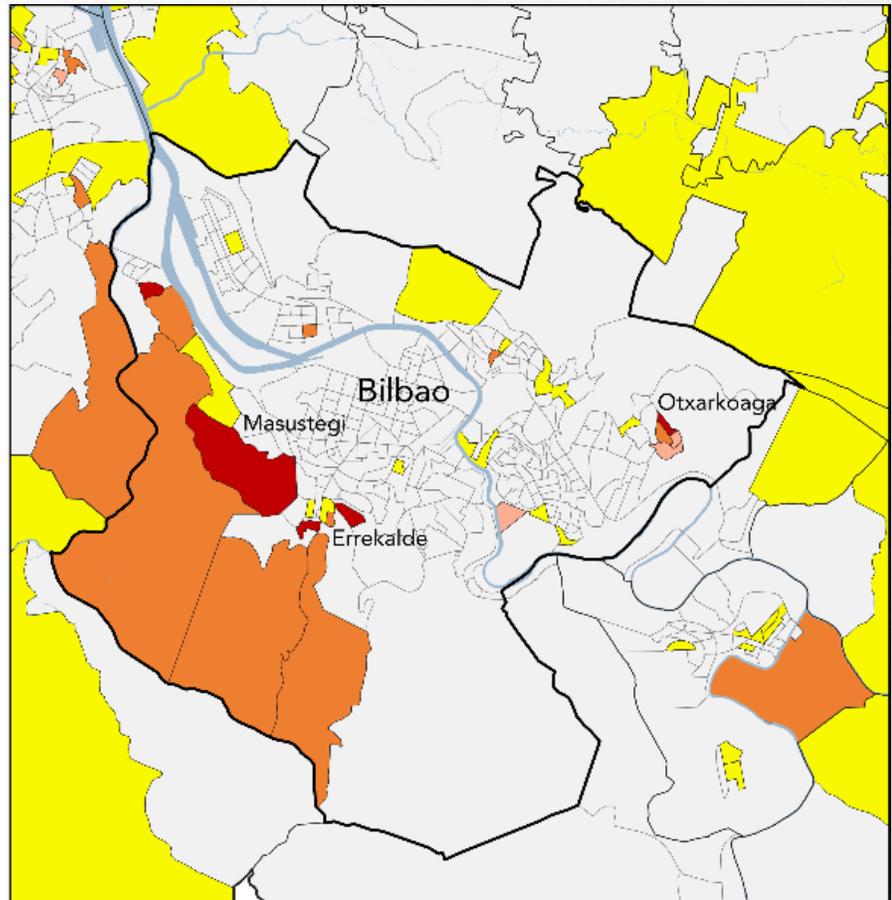
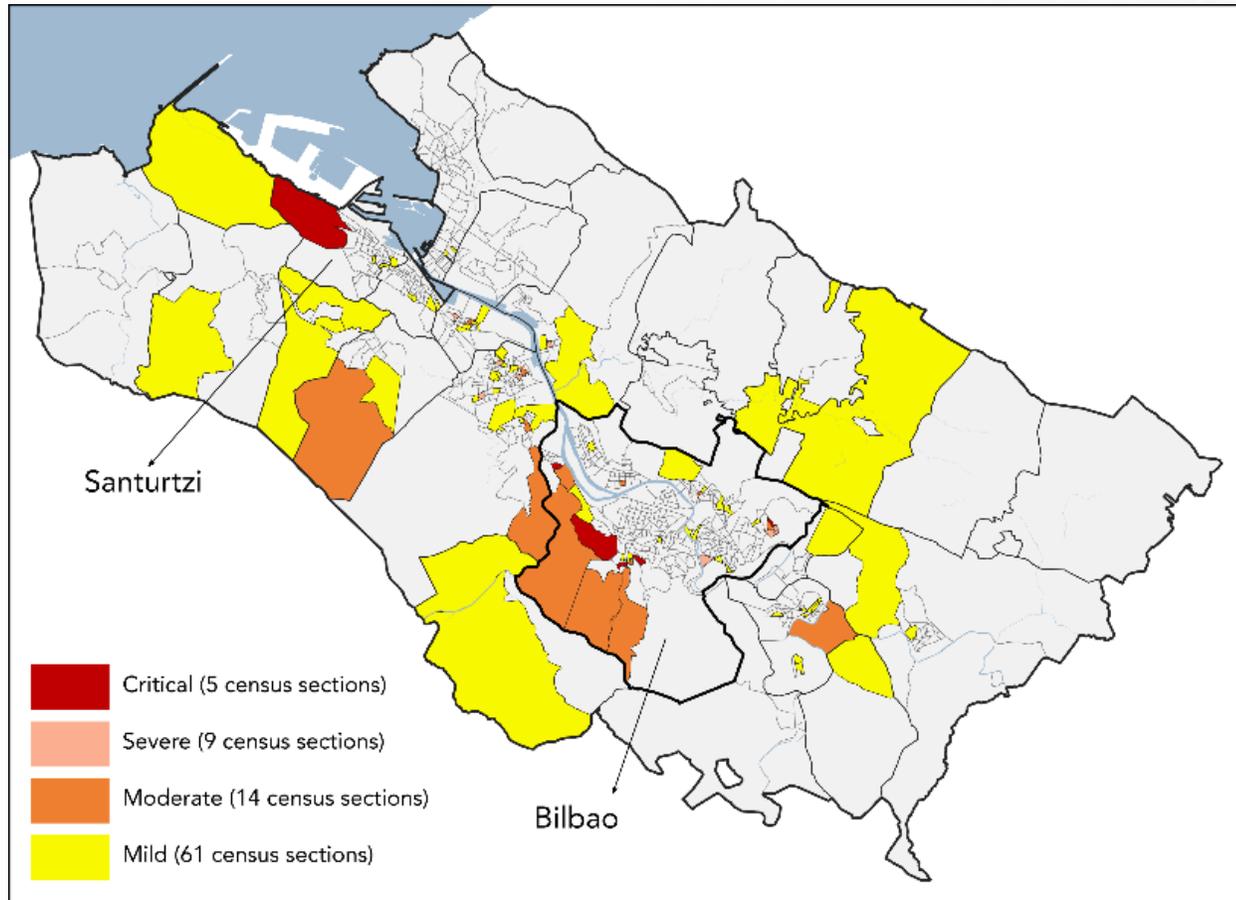


Highest-level severity is reached for at least one dimension and at least Level 1 is reached for a second dimension. Further study is required.

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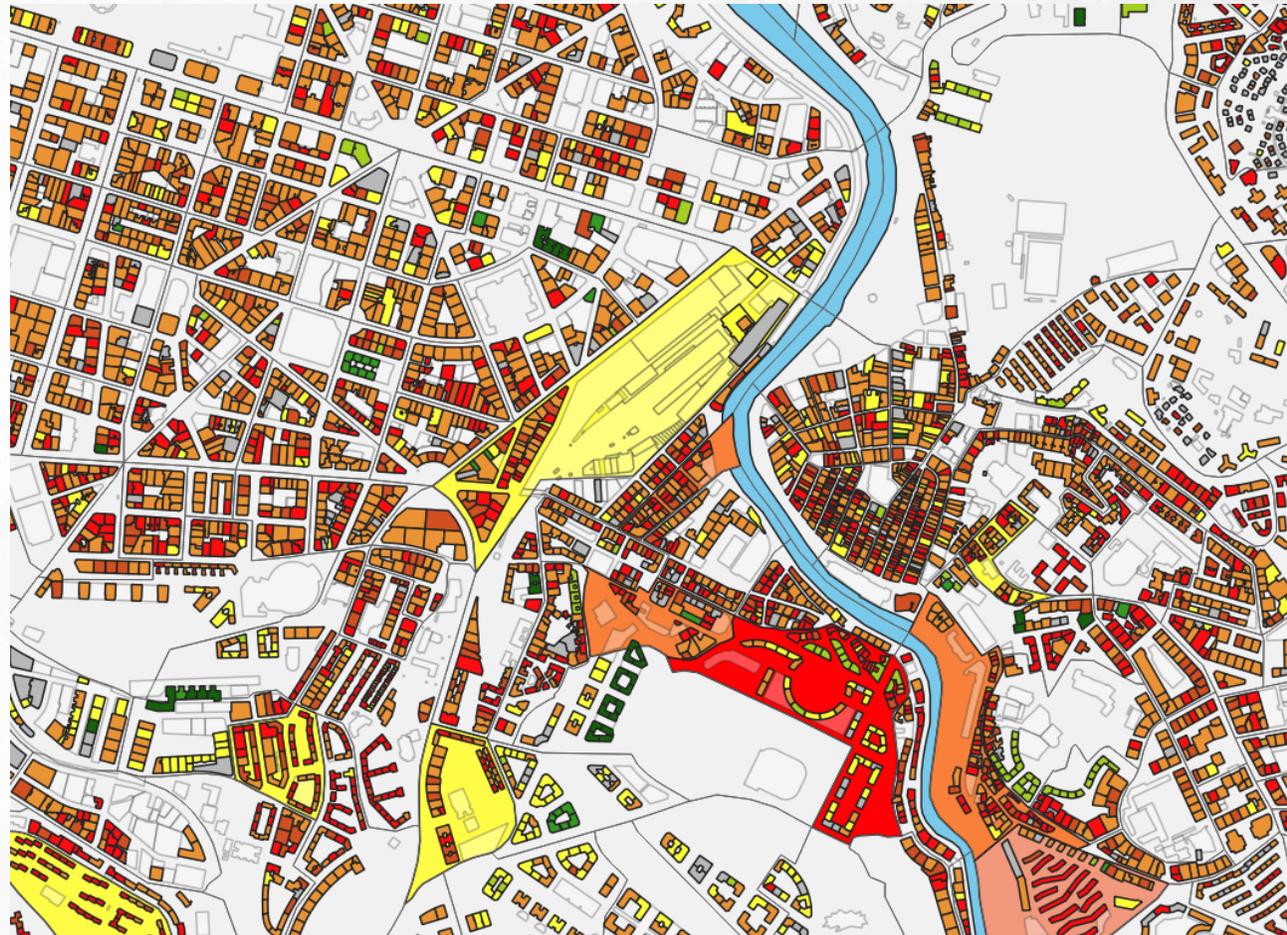
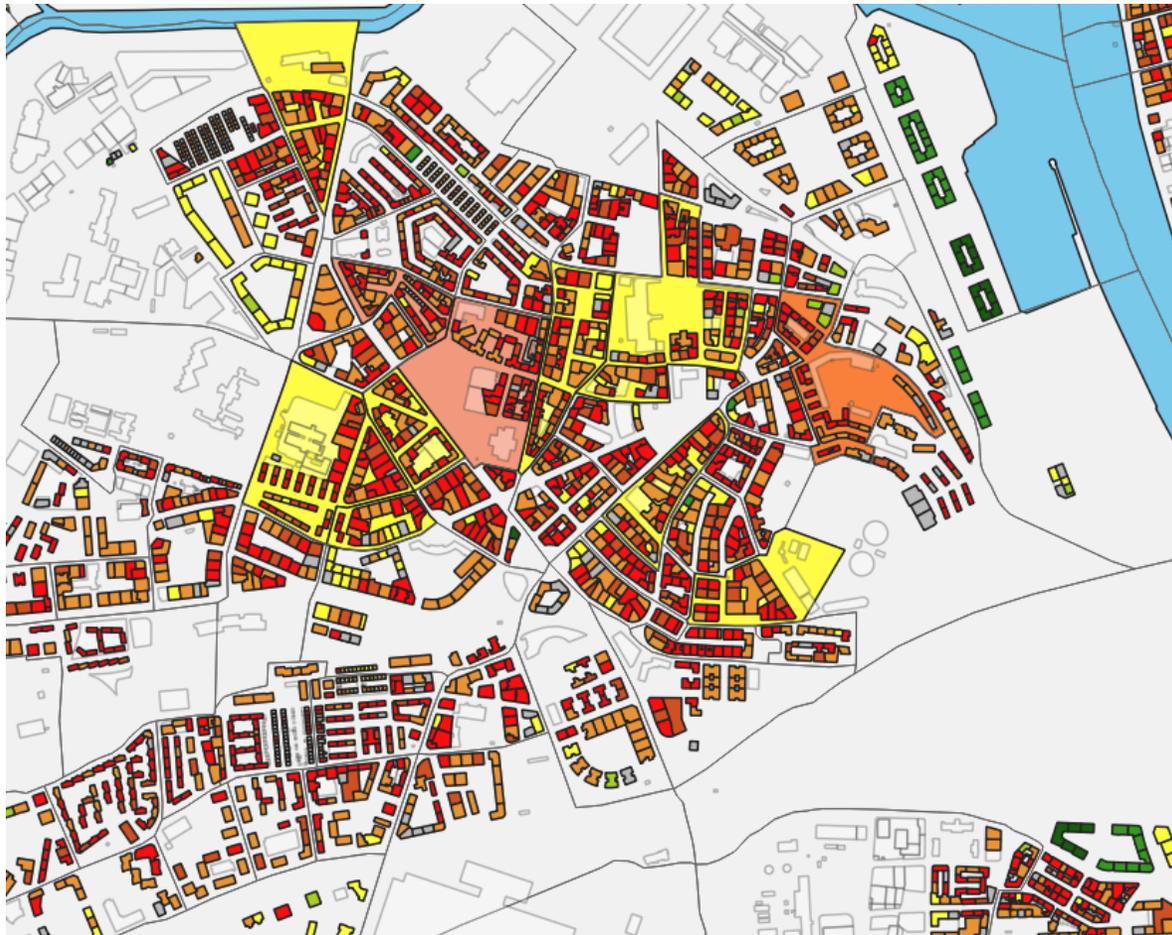
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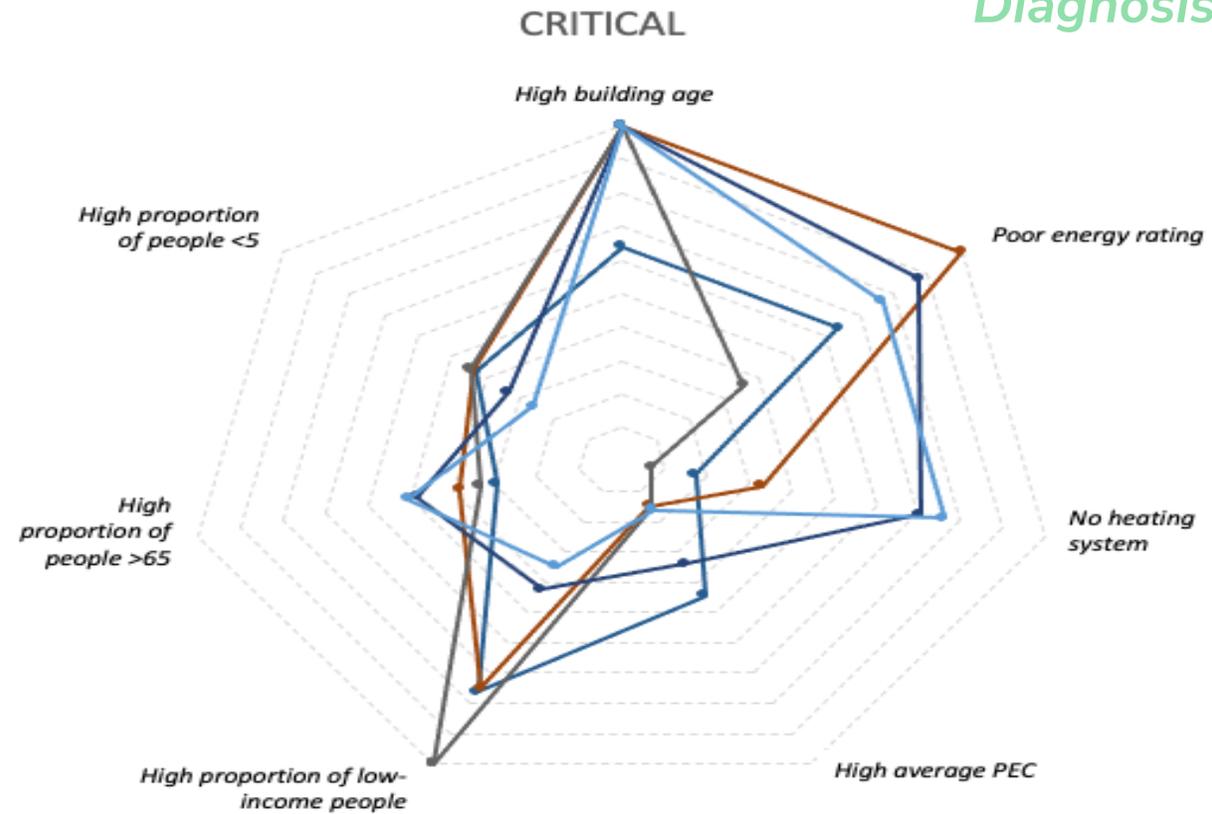
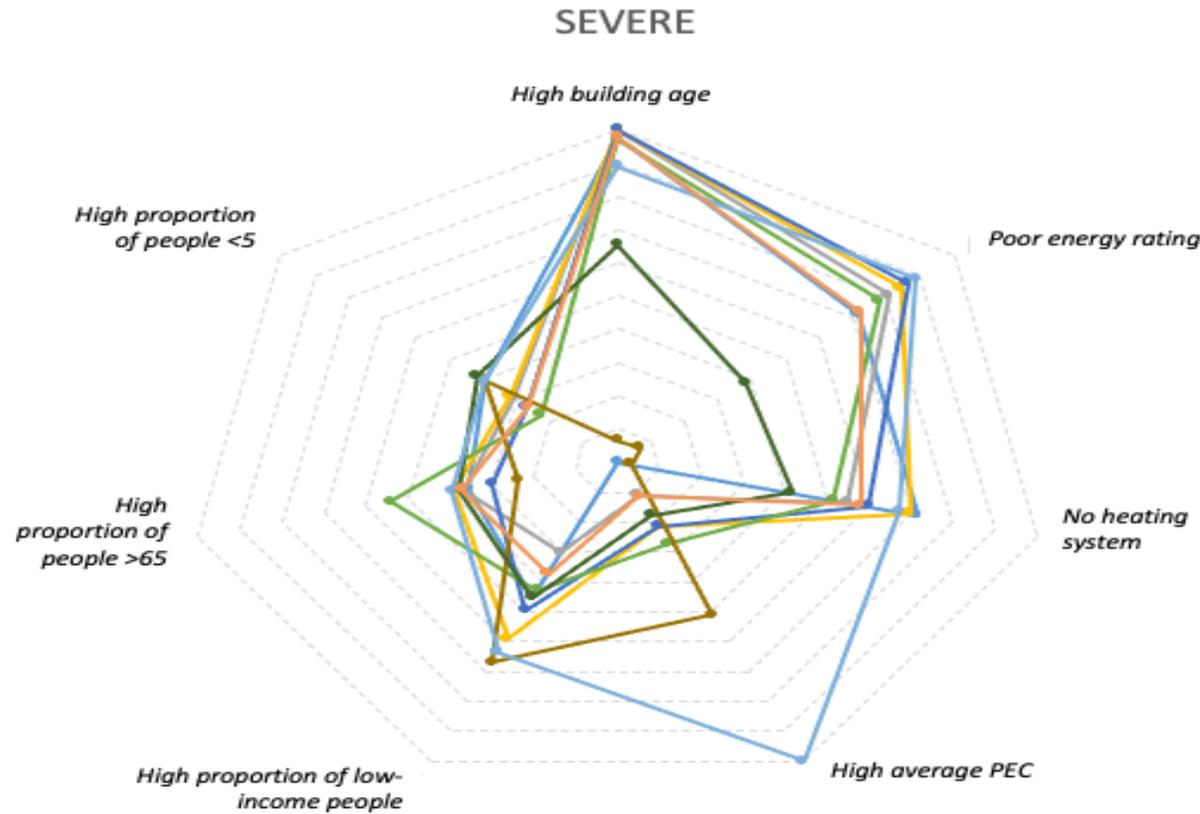
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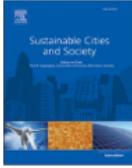
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**ABSTRACT**

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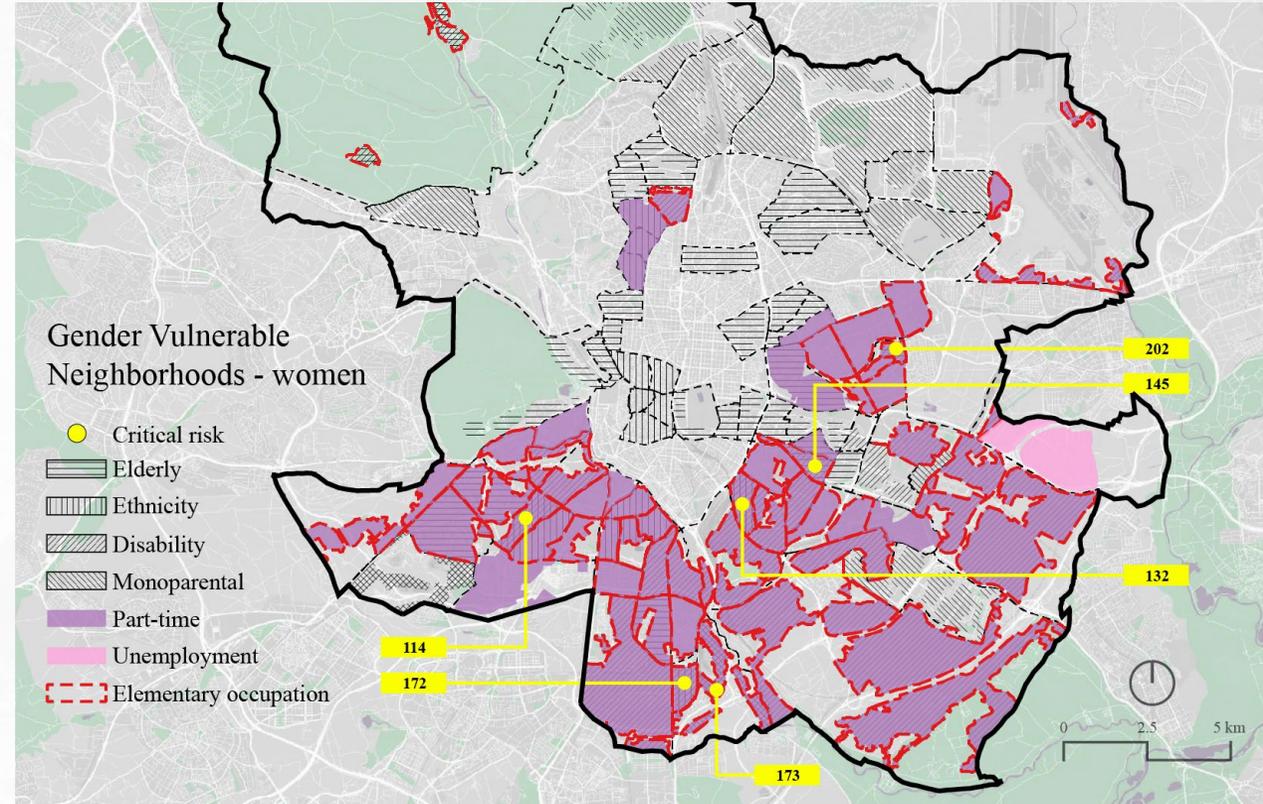
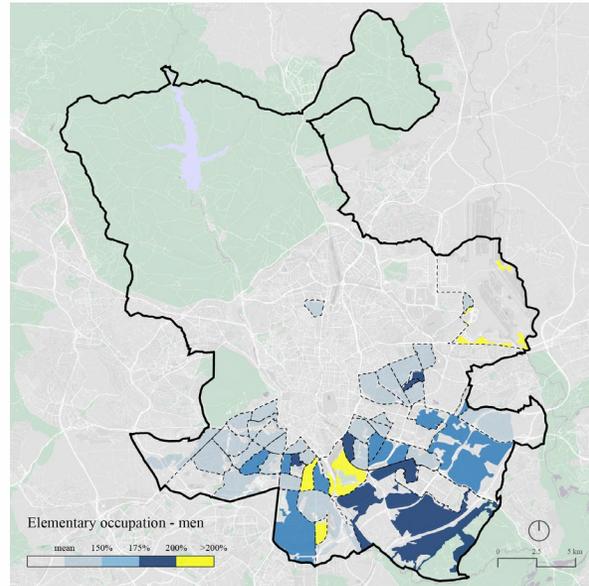
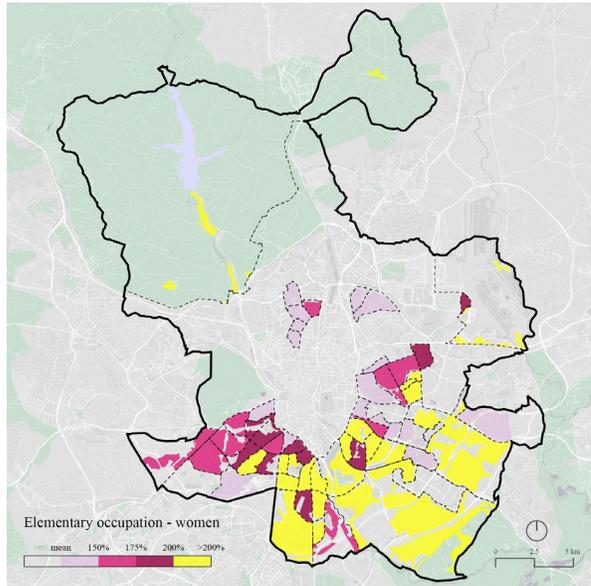
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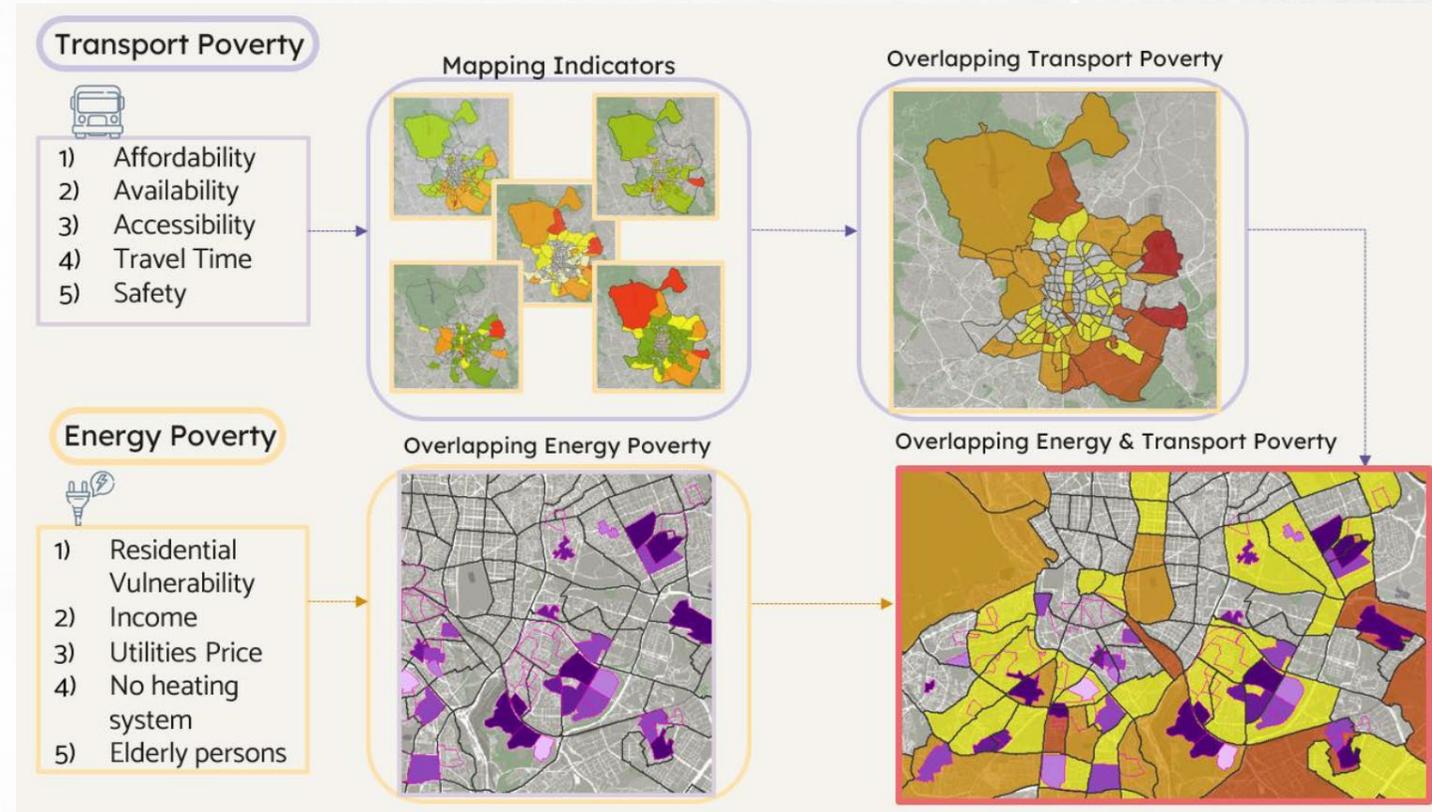
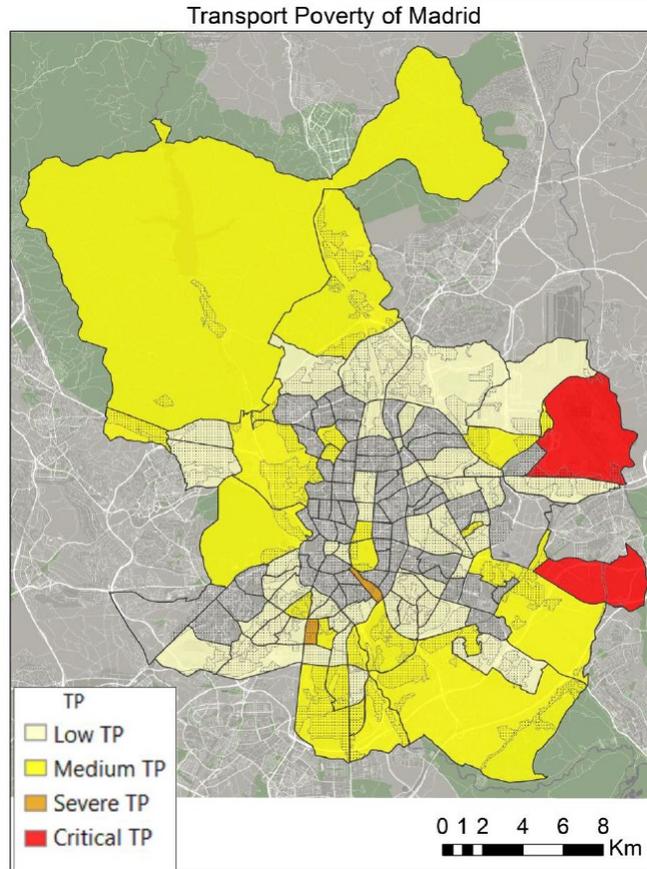
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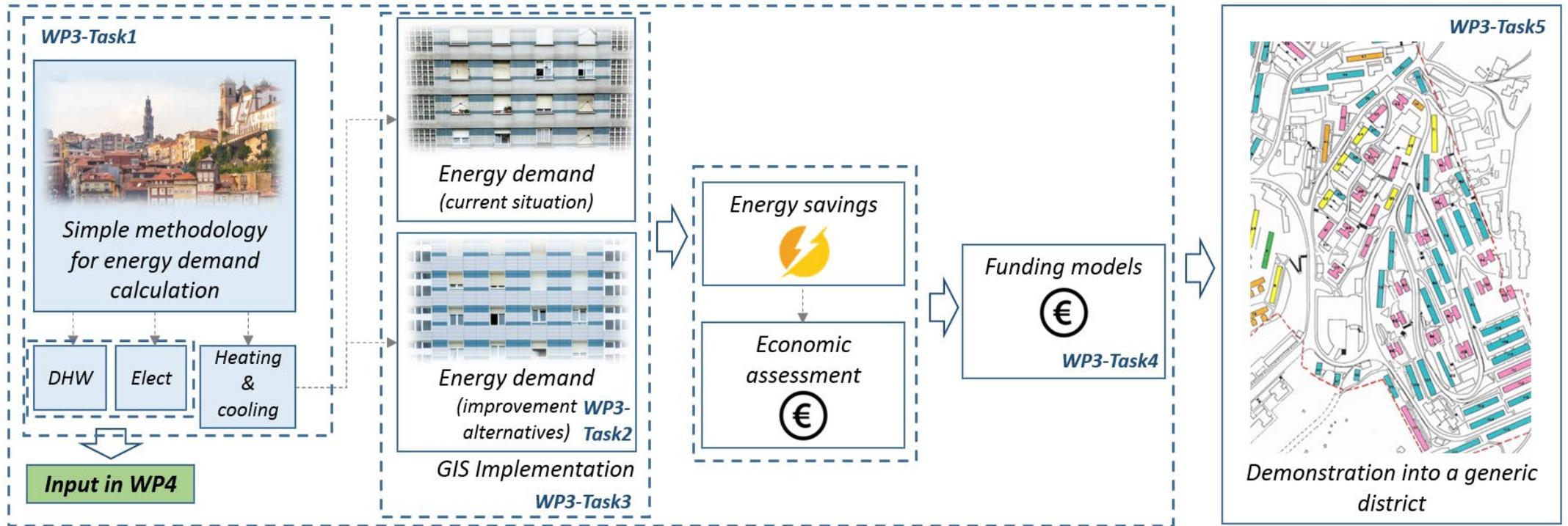
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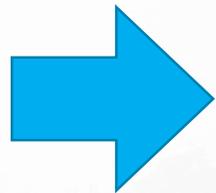
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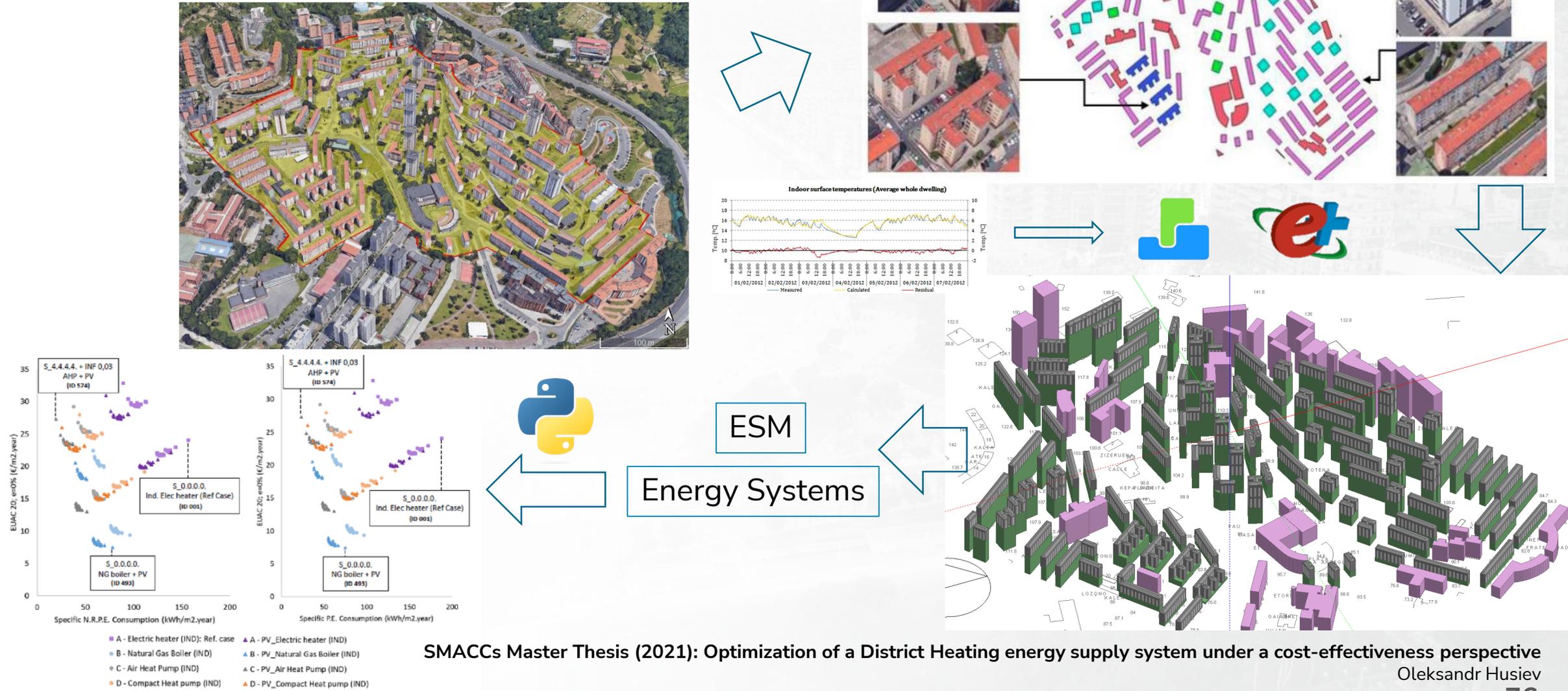
Building is one of the main sectors in which significant energy savings can be achieved with a consequent reduction in emissions. This paper assesses the large-scale renovation of buildings, exploring the quantitative and qualitative factors that determine their replicability potential from three different perspectives, namely dwelling, building and district intervention level. Different passive and active measures are assessed, covering energy saving measures, the improvement of energy supply systems and the integration of renewable energy sources. Different scenarios are defined for each intervention level, which are evaluated using the methodology developed in the IEA-EBC Annex 75 project. The methodology is applied to a residential district located in Bilbao (Northern Spain). The analysis is based on the results obtained from the simulation of 41 combinations of different renovation options, obtained by simulation in the Design Builder software. The assessment is carried out from the evaluation of different key performance factors, including annualised cost and annual primary energy consumption, as well as the CAPEX and OPEX requirements. The results show that energy renovation of buildings offers a great opportunity for energy reduction at affordable investment costs, obtaining the cost optimal values when the intervention focus on the energy system and reaching net NRPE values close to zero when the intervention is carried out in a comprehensive way, considering energy systems and thermal improvement of the envelope. Additionally, the different energy reduction scenarios show that, while interventions at district level offer the greatest potential for minimising annual costs and primary energy consumption levels, intervening at building level offers only slightly worse results. However, there are other issues which can better explain the current low rate of renovation works in the urban environment. Thus, if the additional existing social, material and legal barriers and constraints are included in the analysis, it becomes clear why renovation from a district perspective is not actually leading the race. Given this situation, some measures and policies are proposed to realise the true potential of large-scale building renovation.

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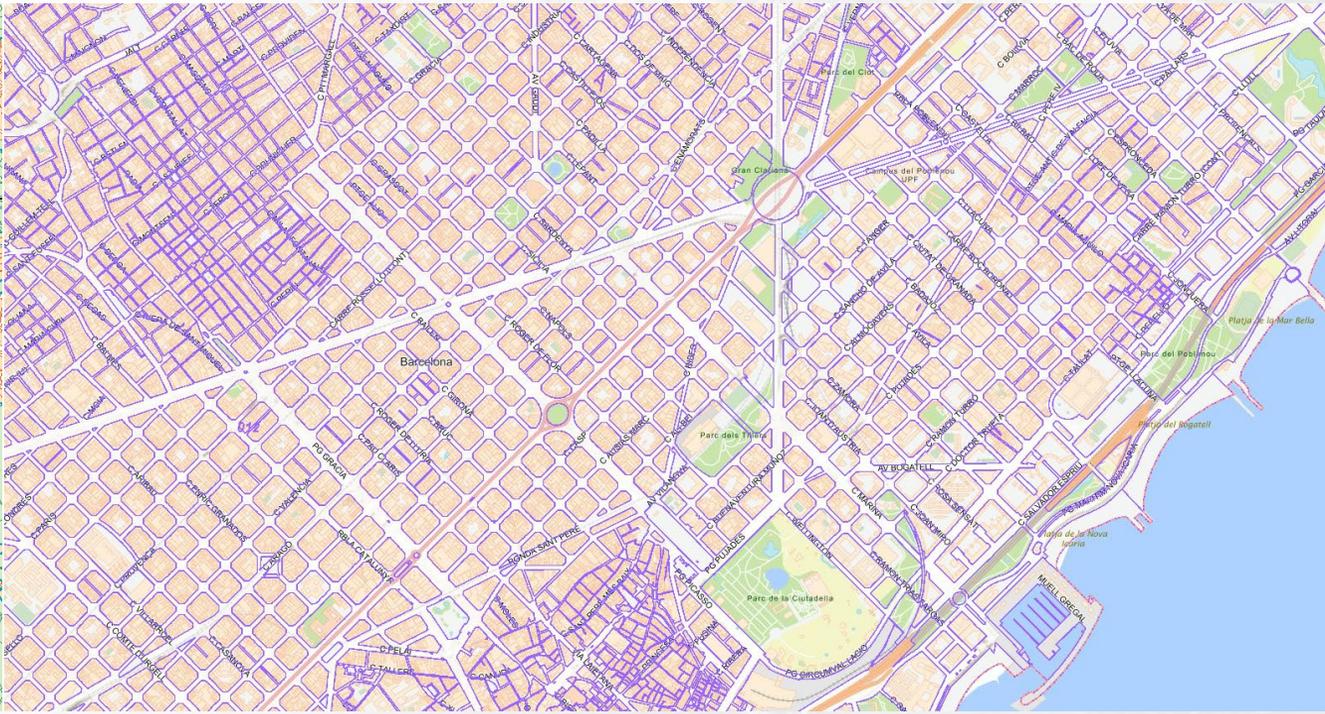
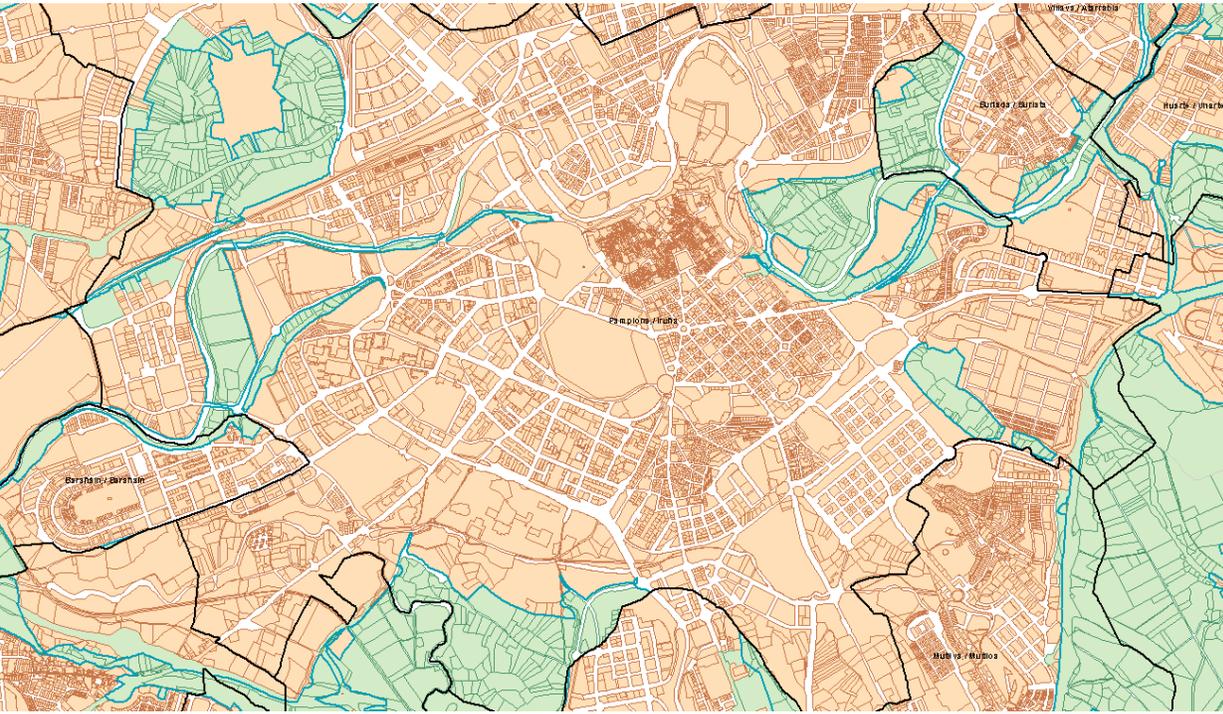
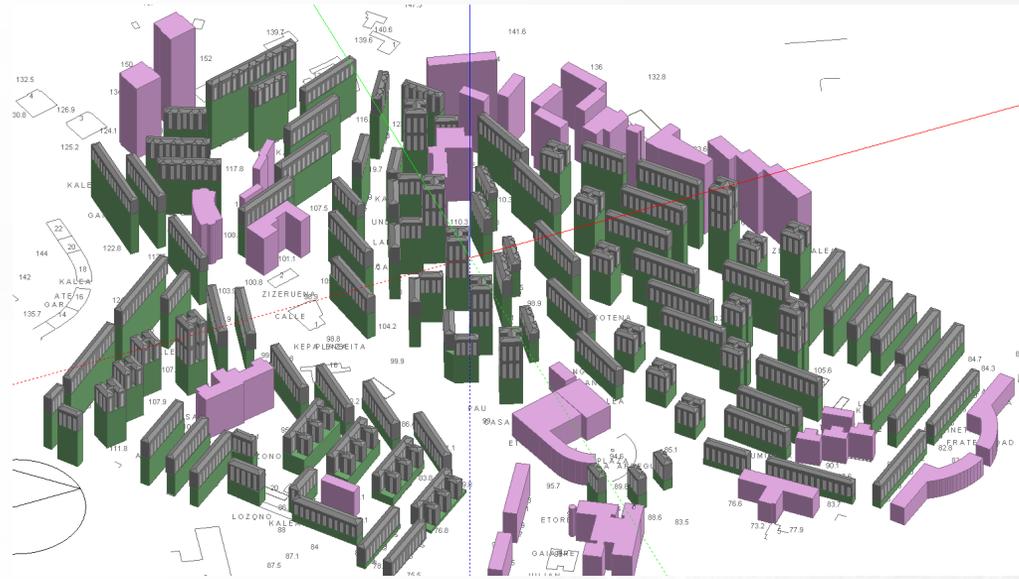


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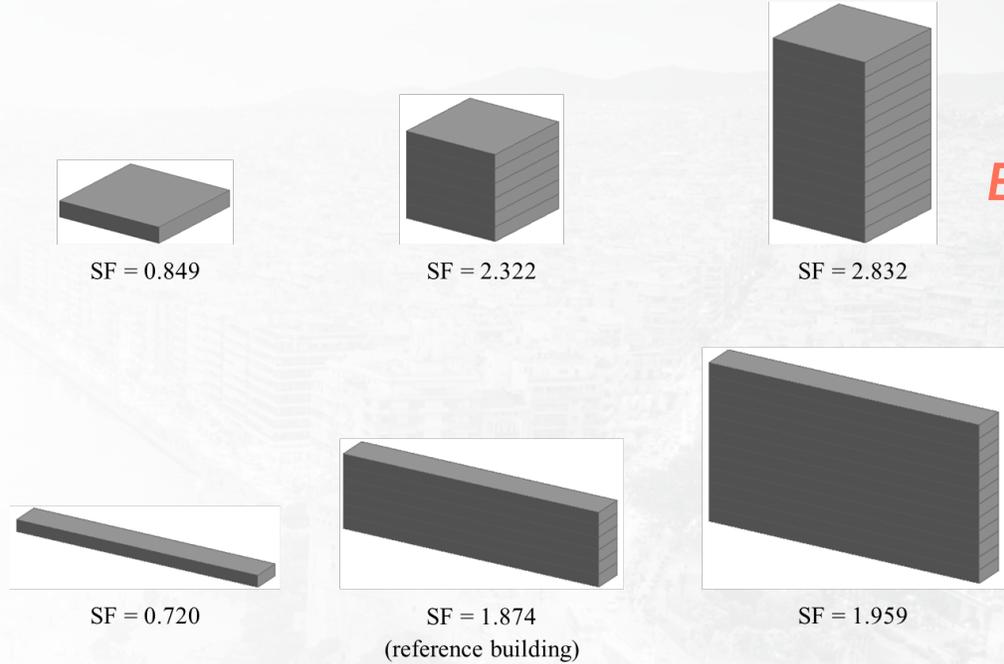
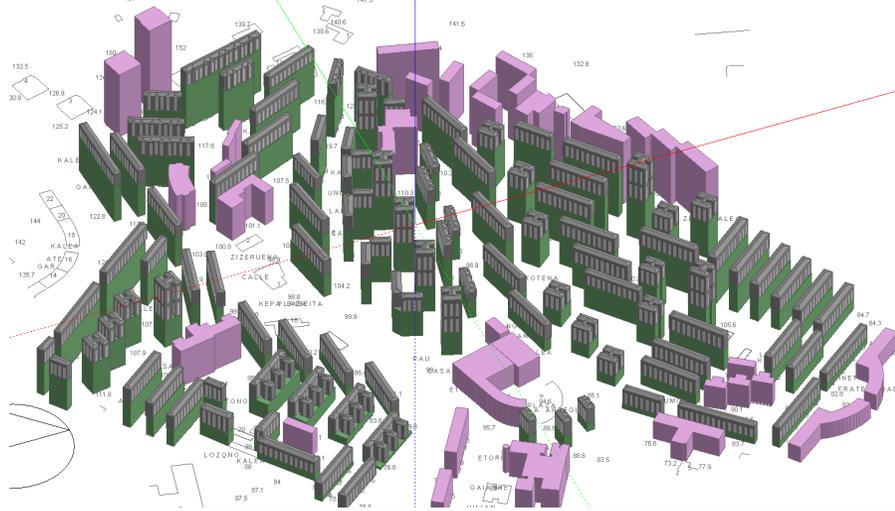
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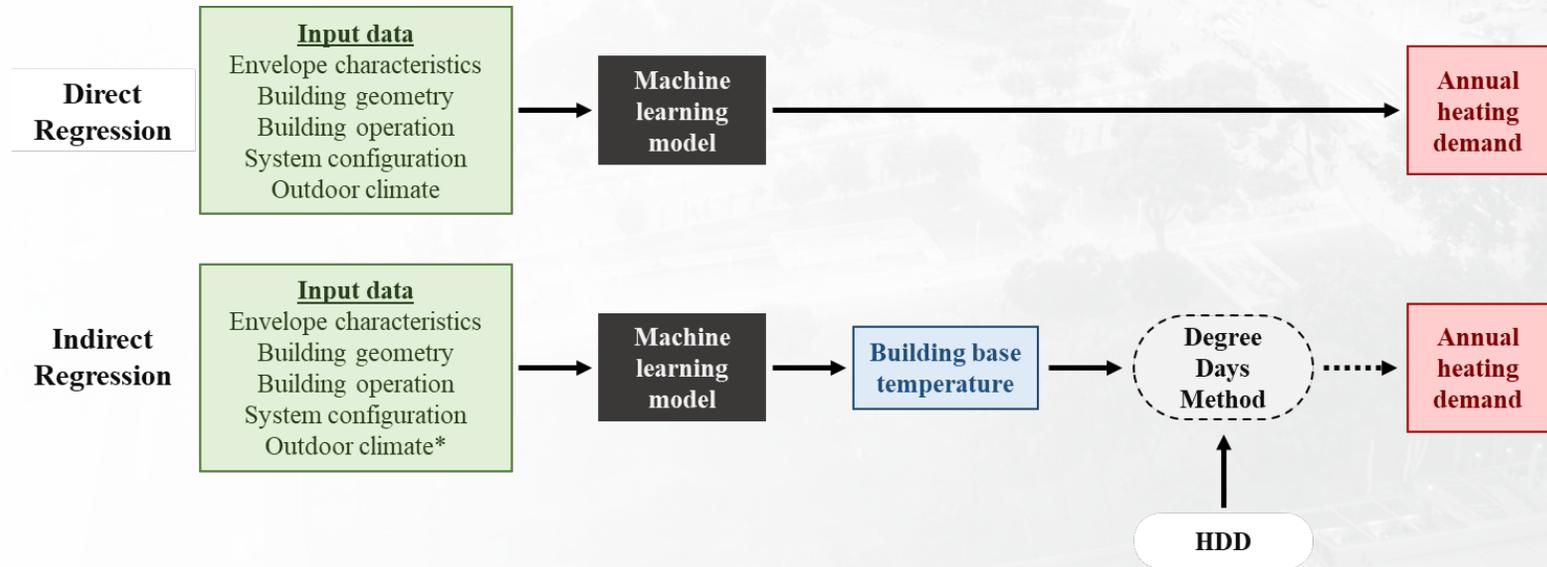
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Variable Category	Specific Building Parameter	Unit	
Envelope characteristics	U-value of roof	W/m <sup>2</sup> K	
	U-value of building façade		
	U-value of window		
	Window SHGC		-
	Infiltration loss		W/K
Building geometry	South equivalent surface (SES)	m <sup>2</sup>	
	Shape factor	m	
	Roof surface area	m <sup>2</sup>	
	Façade surface area		
	Window surface area		
Building operation	Internal gain	W/m <sup>2</sup>	
System configuration	Heating set point temperature	°C	
Outdoor climate	HDD	K year	

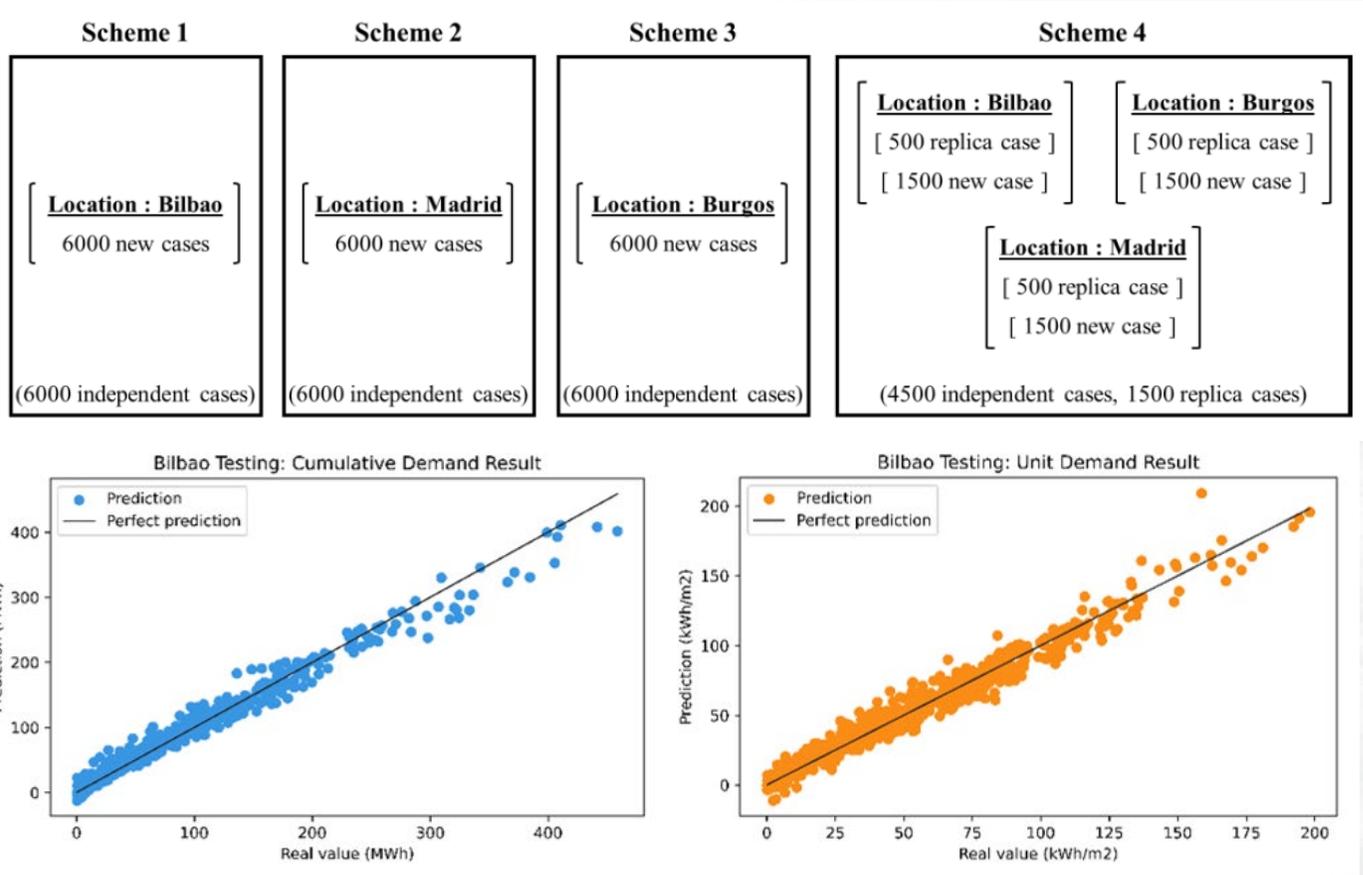
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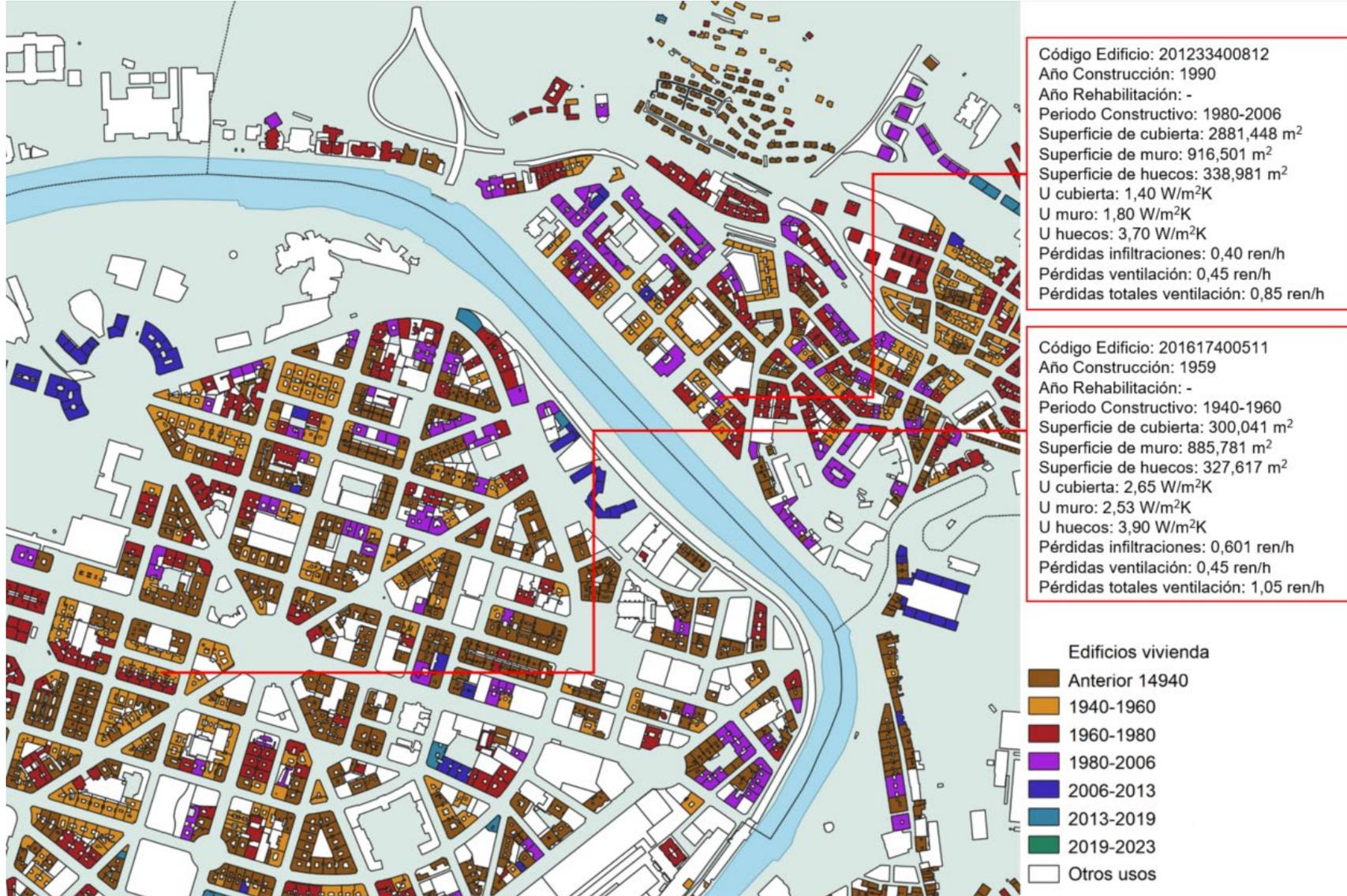
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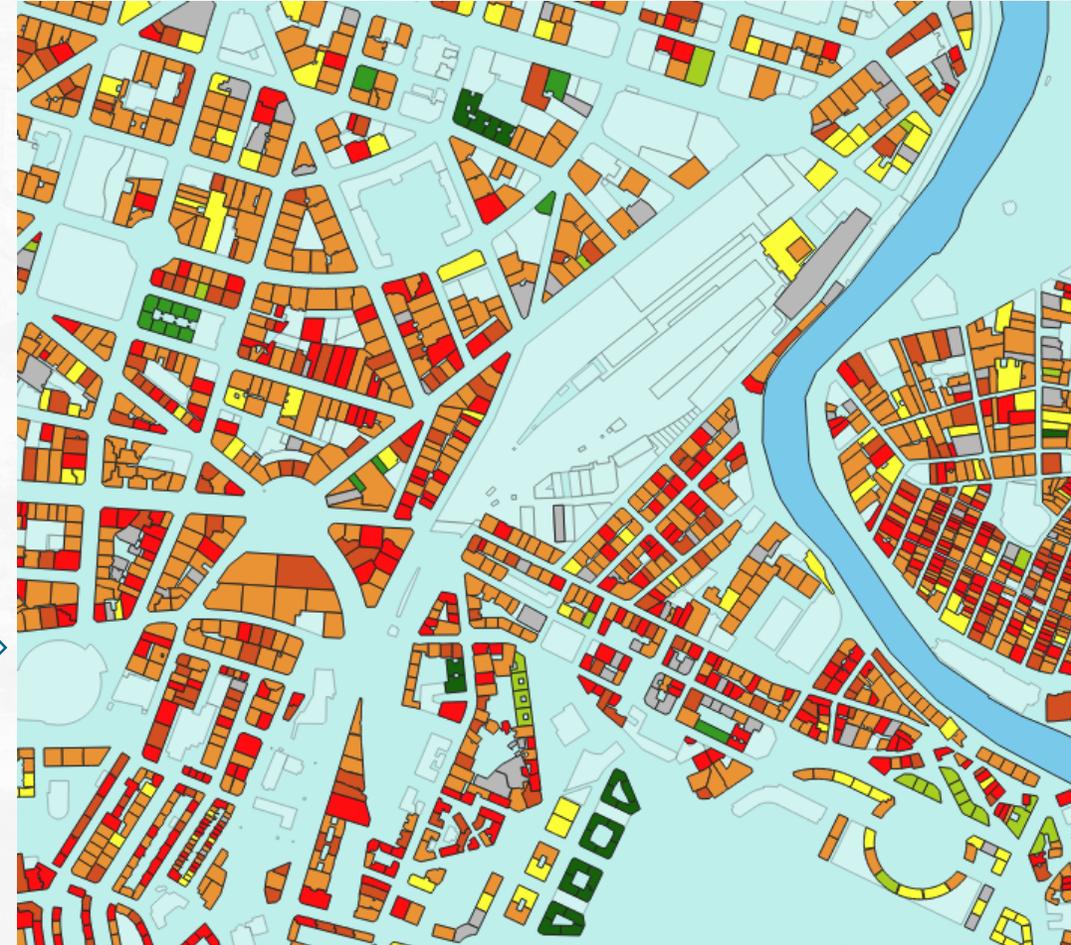
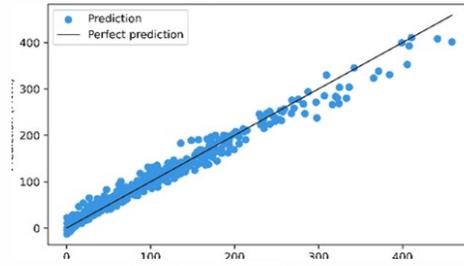
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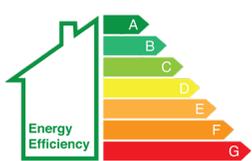
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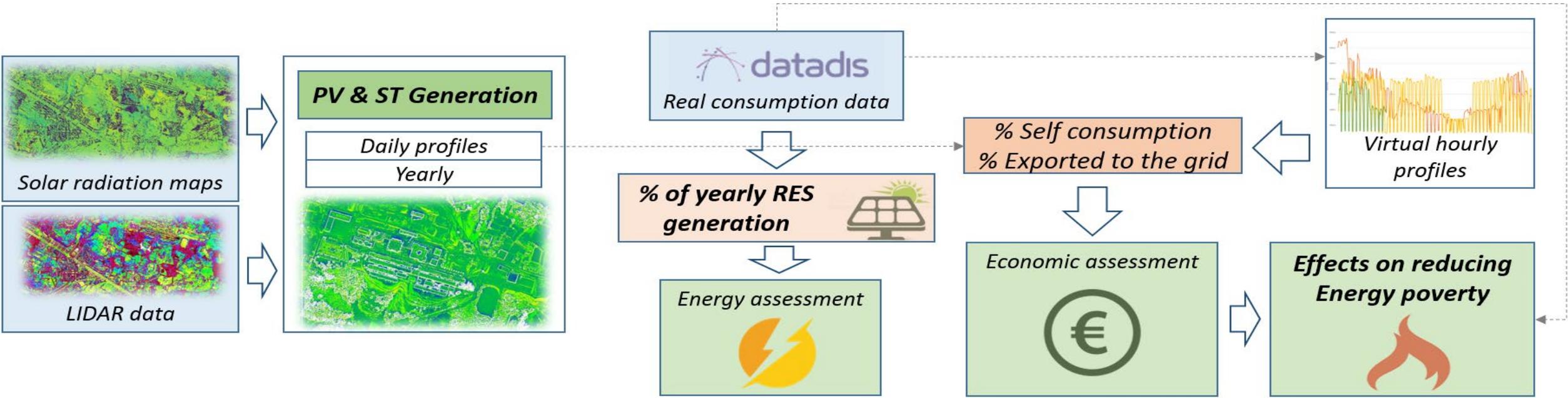
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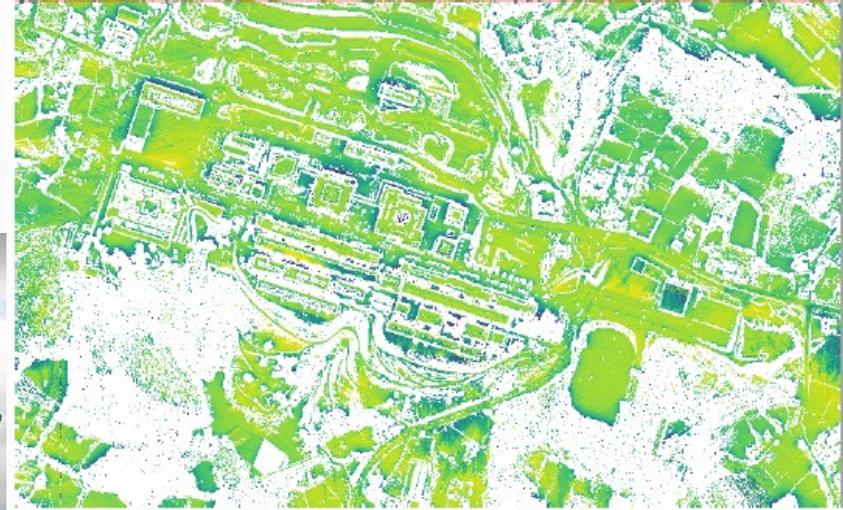
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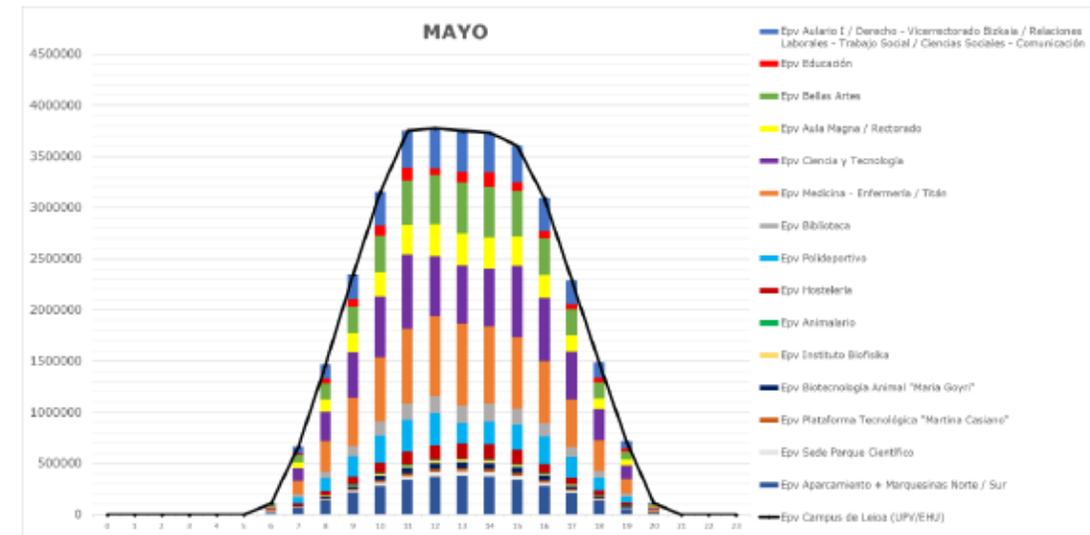
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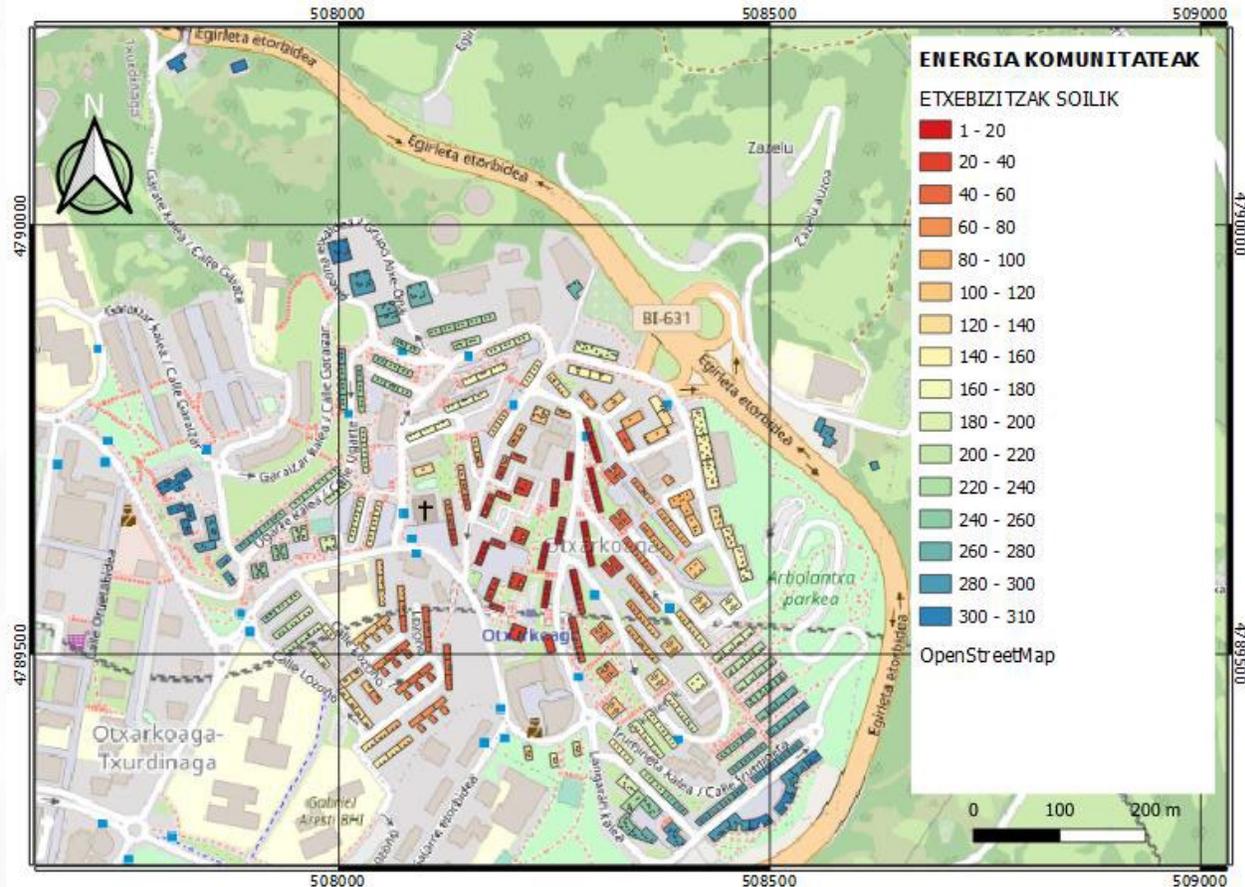
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