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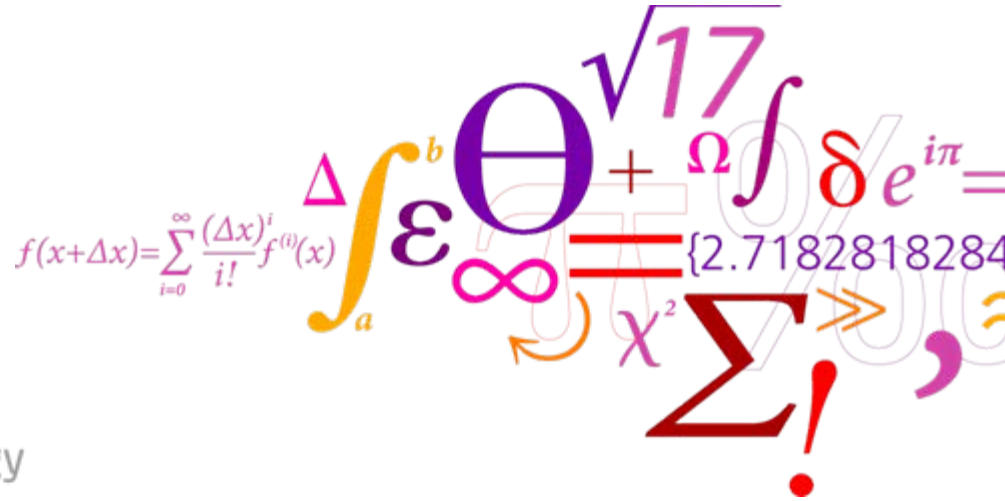
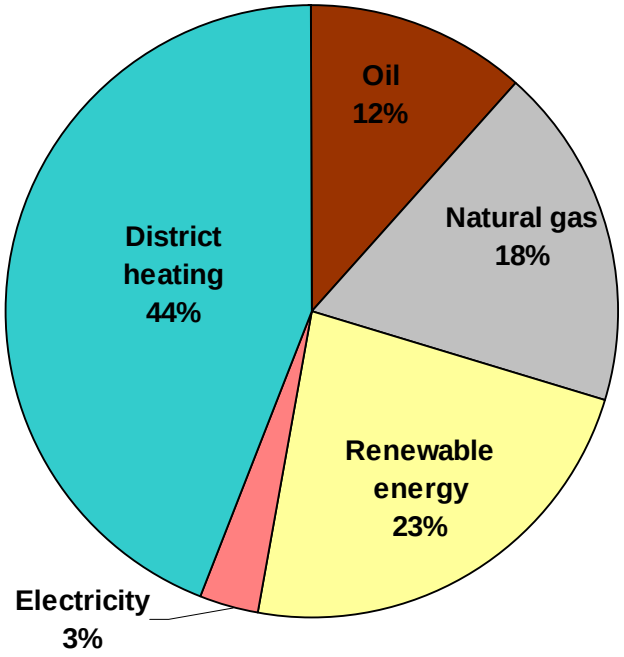


Introduction - motivation

- Reduction of energy use in general reduces pressure on environment and human health
- In heating sector demand side affects environment:
  - indirectly through district heating production (or el in case of el heating)
  - directly through individual heating technologies (DG)
- Often in energy system optimisation models focus is on technologies, that can reduce environmental impacts of the system
- Here I also included heat saving measures in buildings, which can be considered as energy technology, that only requires investments and has no operating environmental impact

Heating sector in Denmark

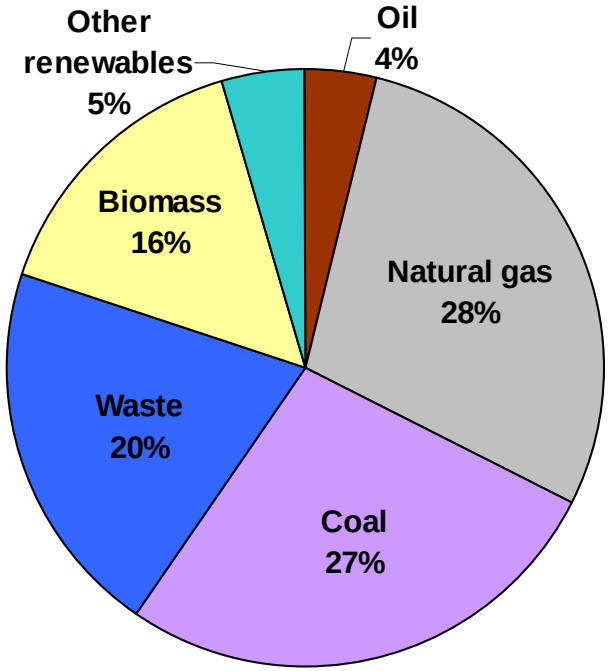
Supply of space heating



Heat demand for space heating 213 PJ –

24 % of primary energy consumption

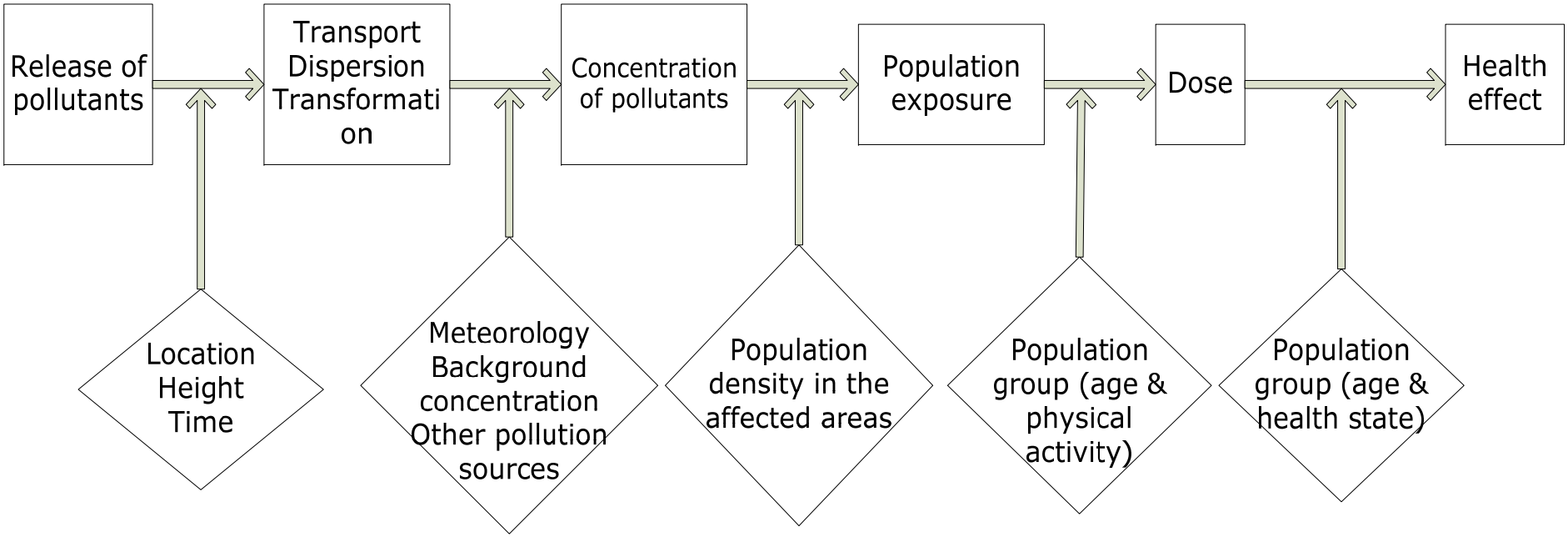
Fuel in District Heating Production



- Coal: SO_2 & NO_x
- Natural gas: NO_x
- Waste: SO_2, NO_x & particles
- Biomass: SO_2, NO_x & particles
- Oil: SO_2, NO_x

source: Danish Energy Agency, 2008

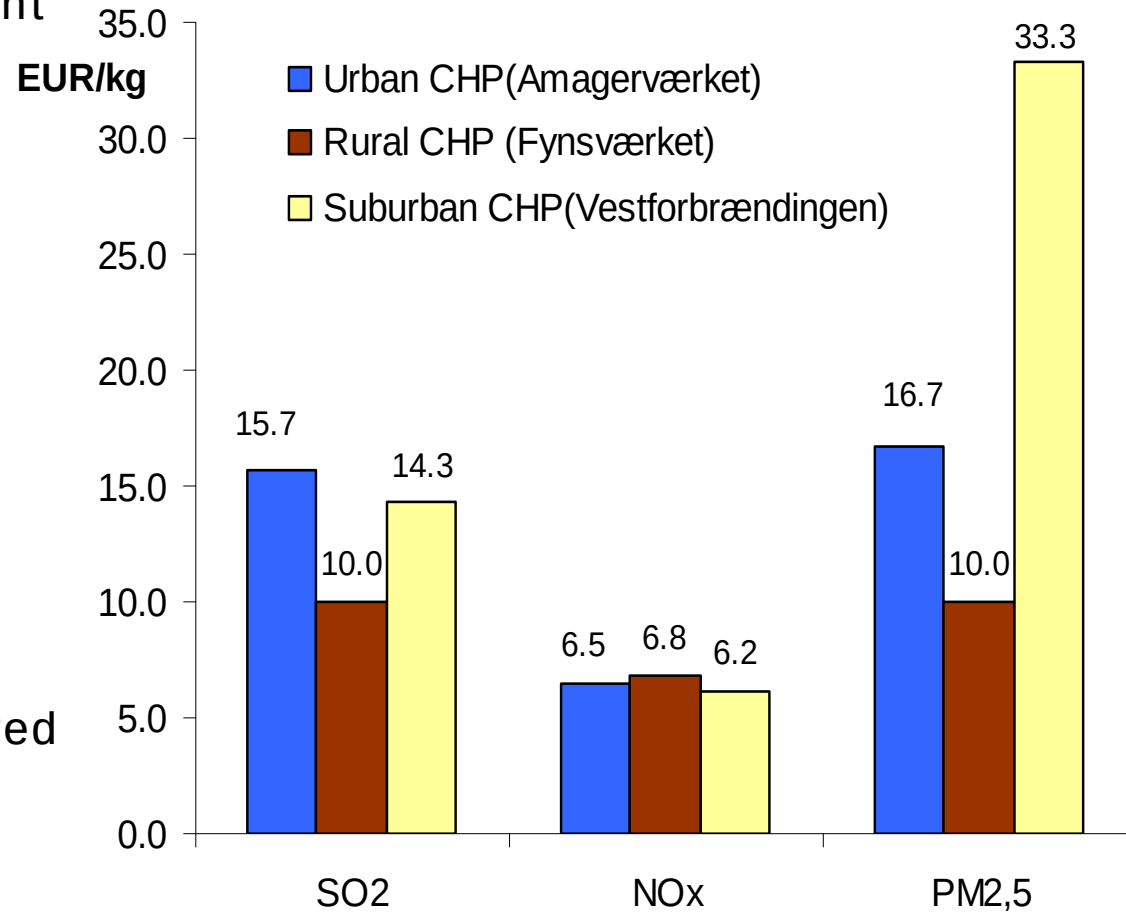
From release of local pollutants to health impacts



adopted from Hertel et al.,2001

Health related externalities and energy production

- Health related externalities of energy production are dependent on:
  - Location
    - Meteorology (wind)
    - Population
  - Height
- Externalities differ for central (DH/CHP) plants and individual technologies.
  - Health related costs of pollution by individual technologies can be compared to transport related health external costs (Gulli, 2006)



based on Andersen et al., 2008

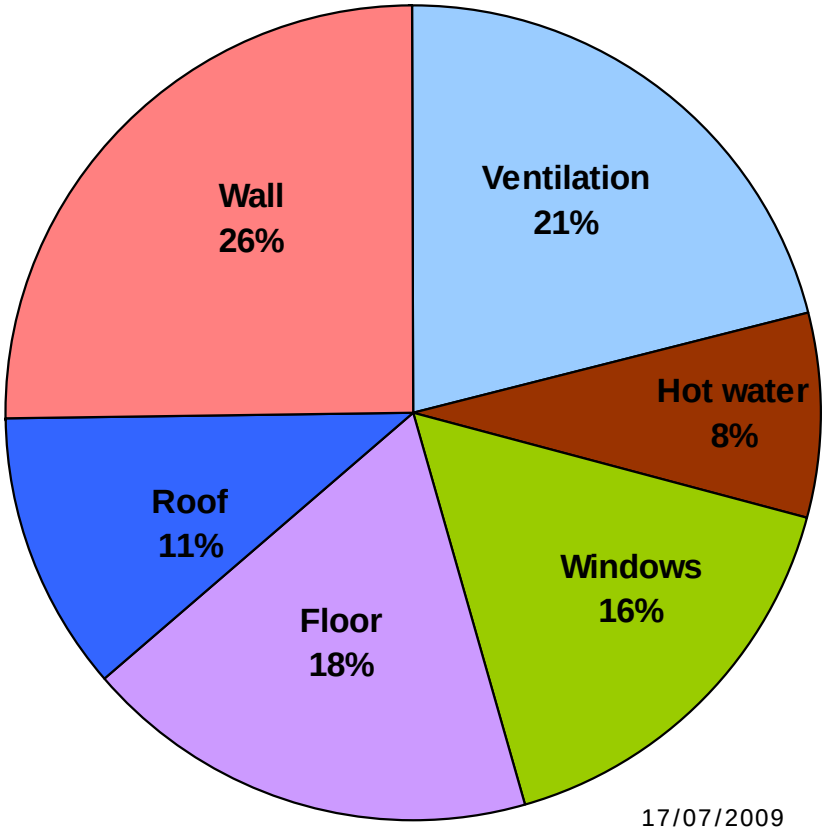
Heat saving potentials in buildings

- Profitable heat saving potential:
  - 80 % (over 45 years) in dwellings
  - 75 % in public buildings

- 75 % of residential and public buildings are built before 1979, when the first important tightening of building standards was introduced

- Heat saving measures:

Heat consumption in dwellings



source: Frandsen, F. B., Dansk Byggeri

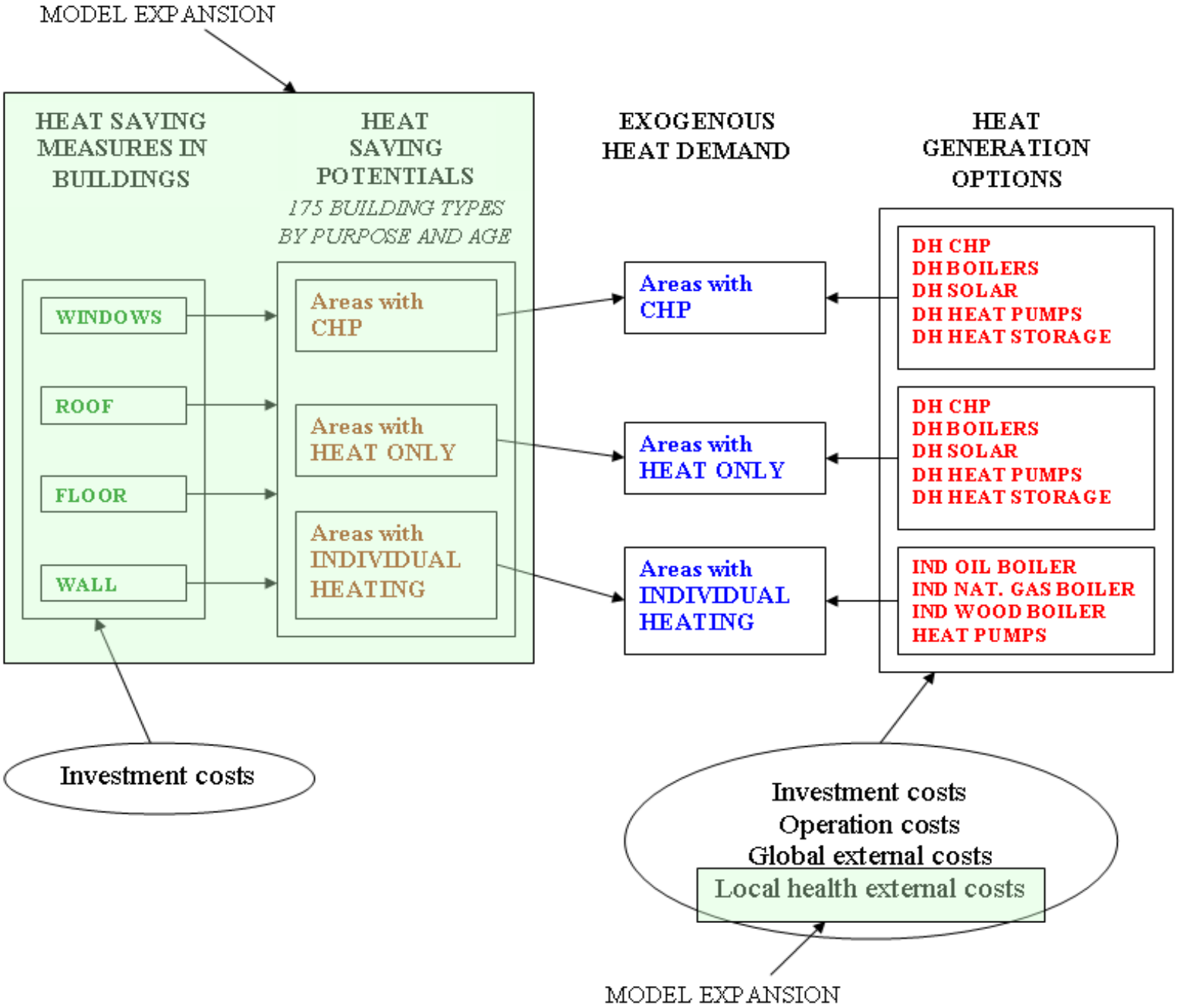
The model

- Model used: Balmorel (www.balmorel.com) – a linear optimisation model of heat and power sectors in the Baltic Sea Region
  - only the Danish heat and power sector is included in this analysis

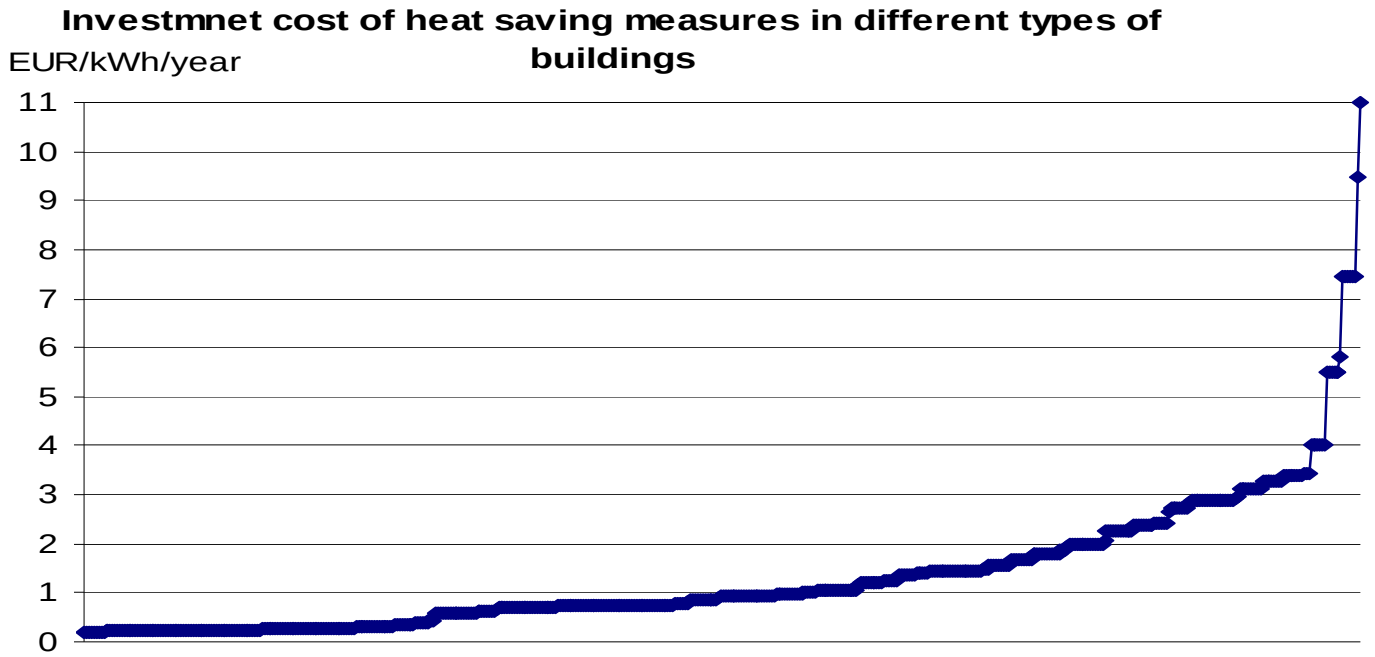
- Sectors included in the analysis:
  - Electricity
  - District heating: CHP and a few HEAT ONLY
  - Oil and natural gas based individual heating (53 % of total individual heating)

- Division into areas – according to technology and geographical location:
  - 21 areas with district heating supply from CHP plants and a few HEAT-ONLY areas
  - 2 individual heating areas
  - in different areas – different health costs

Heat sector fragment of the model



Heat saving measures



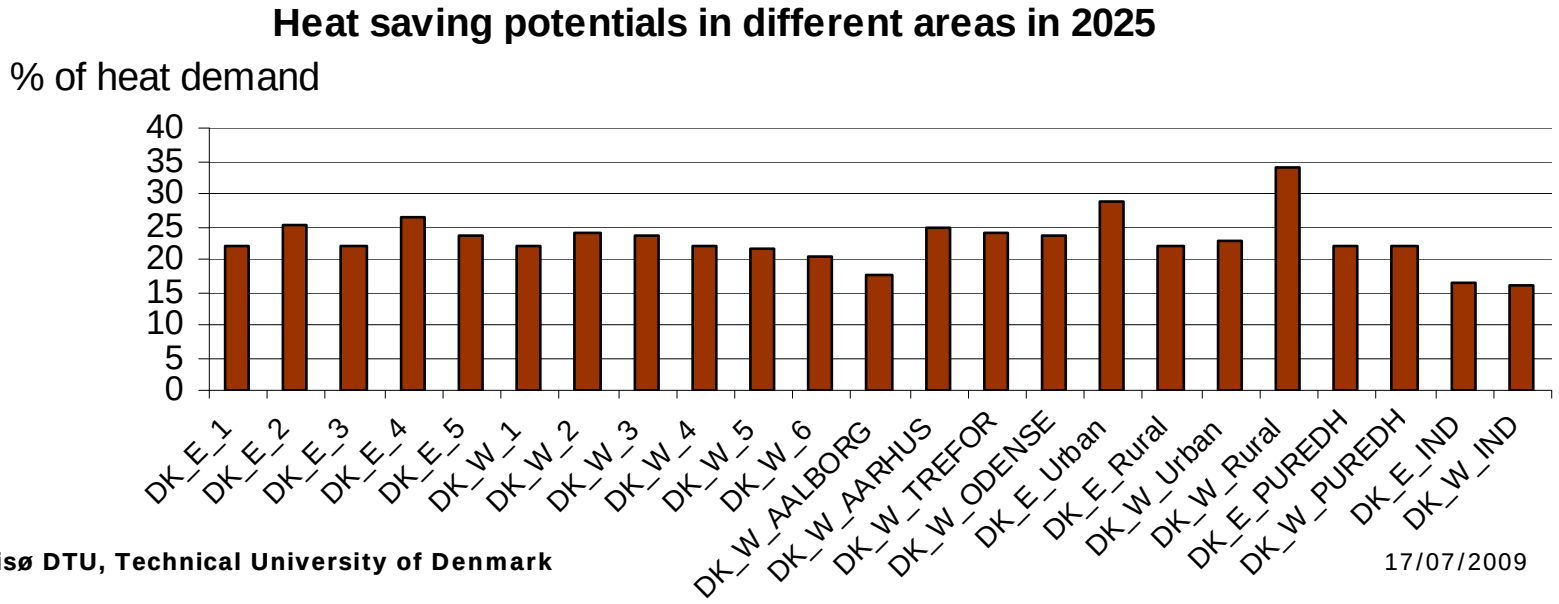
SAVING MEASURES

– insulation of walls

– insulation of roof

– insulation of floor

– replacement of window glazing



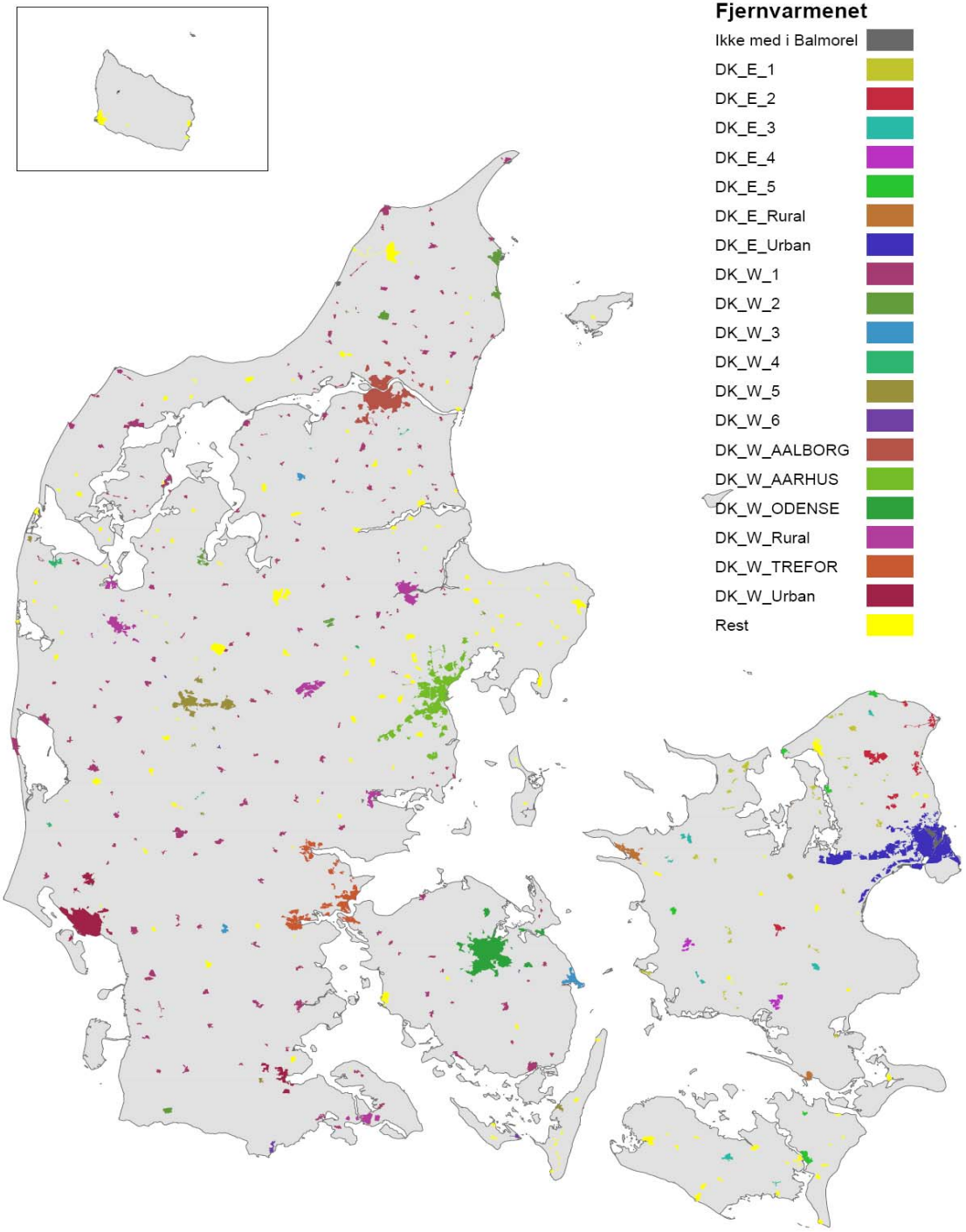
Scenarios - 2025

Scenario	Description
A	**No health externalities included and no heat saving investment possibilities**
B	**Health externalities included, but no heat saving investment possibilities**
D	**Health externalities included, possibility to invest into heat savings in buildings**
D1	Health externalities included, possibility to invest into heat savings in buildings and no possibility to invest neither into solar DH nor heat pumps

Health related external costs included in the model

Area	SO2 Cost, EUR / t	NOx cost, EUR / t	PM2,5 Cost EUR / t
Average cost	9100	5870	10900
High cost	13542	10483	18533
Low cost	5962	2533	7595
Individual heating cost	32550	9222	29200

The global CO_2 cost of 15 EUR/t is included in all scenarios



by Bernd Möller,
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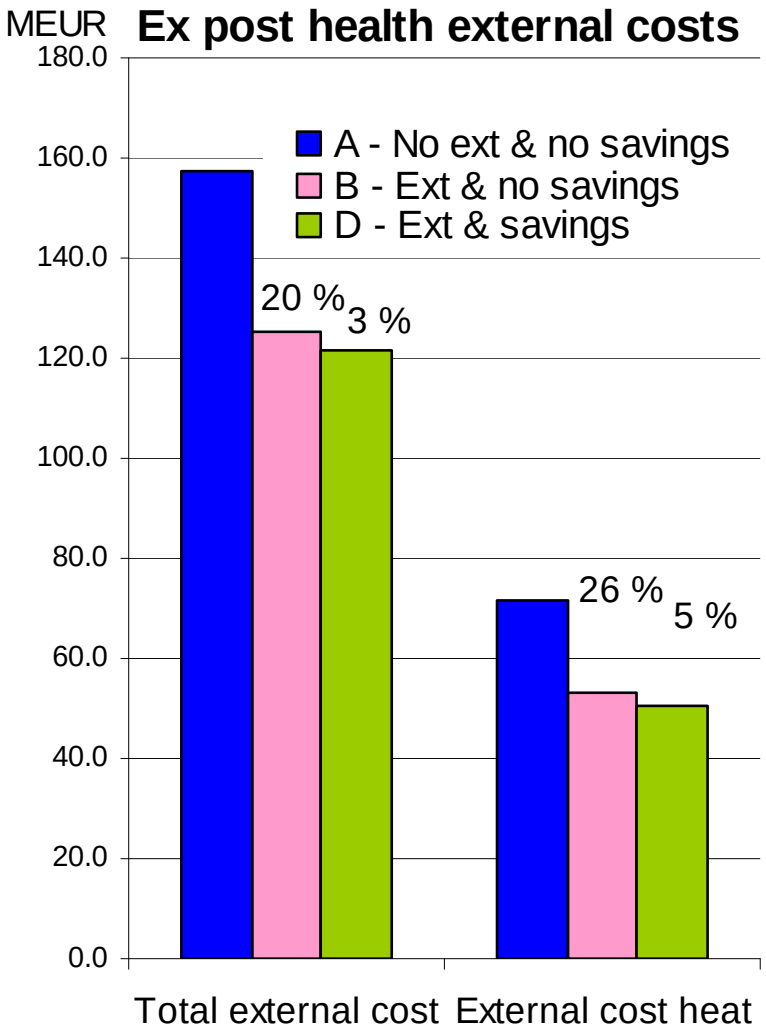
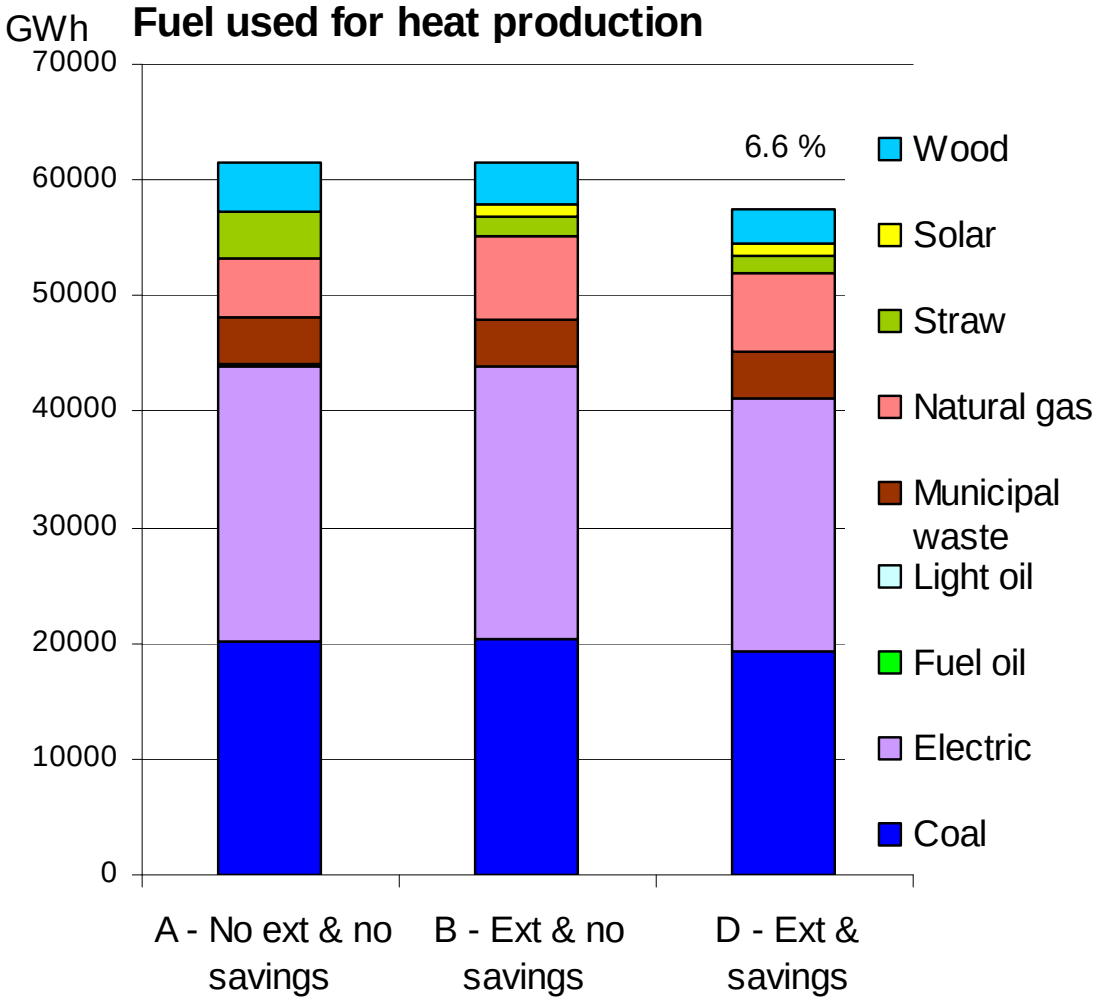
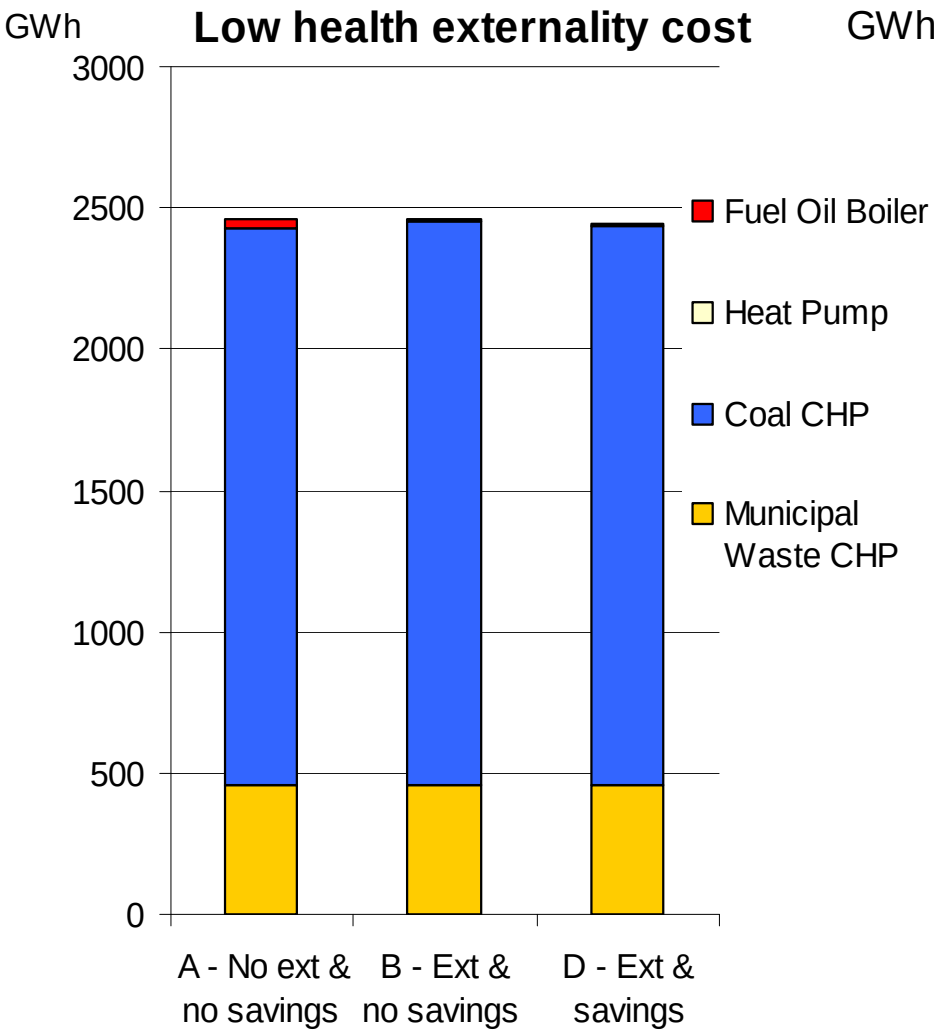
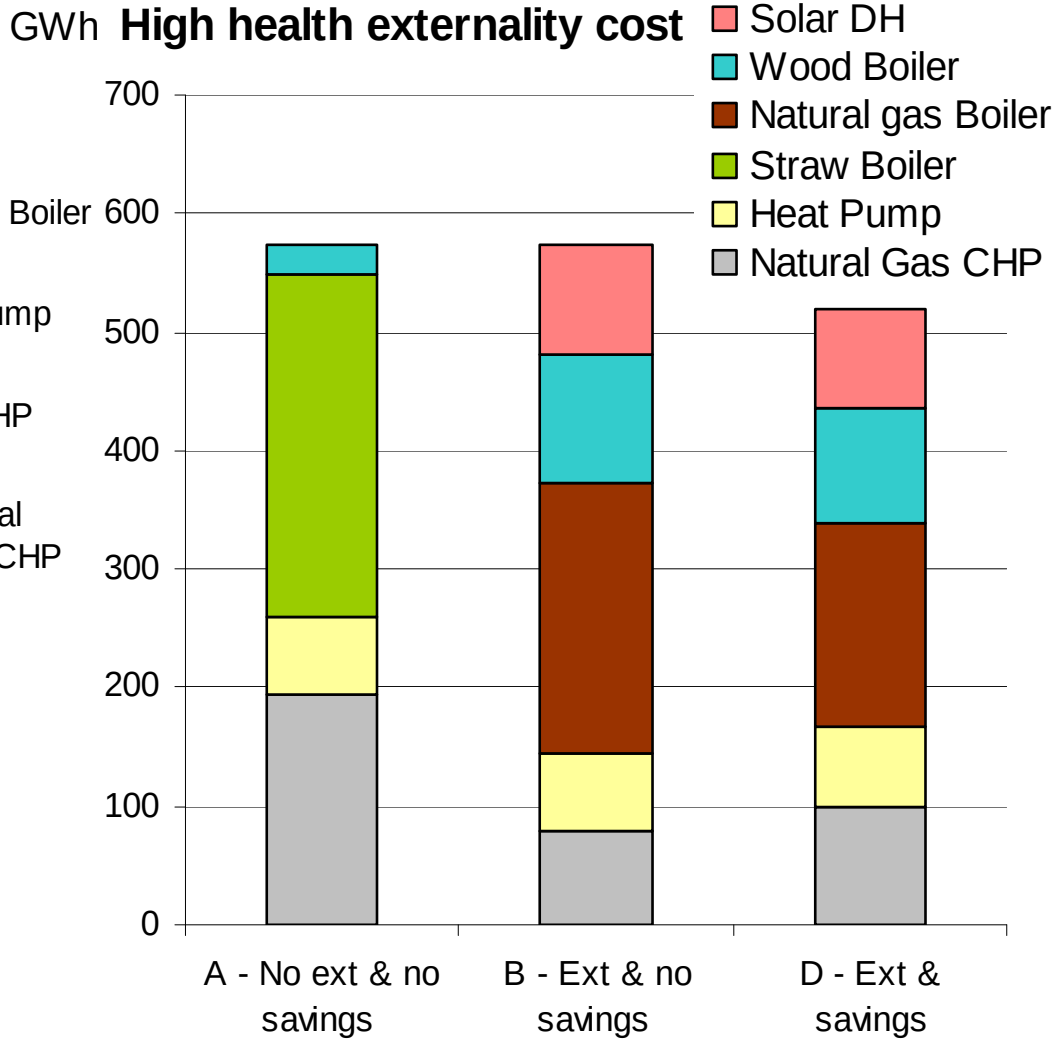
Results I


MEUR
Ex post health external costs
180.0
160.0
140.0
120.0
100.0
80.0
60.0
40.0
20.0
0.0
A - No ext & no savings
B - Ext & no savings
D - Ext & savings
20 %
3 %
26 %
5 %
Total external cost
External cost heat

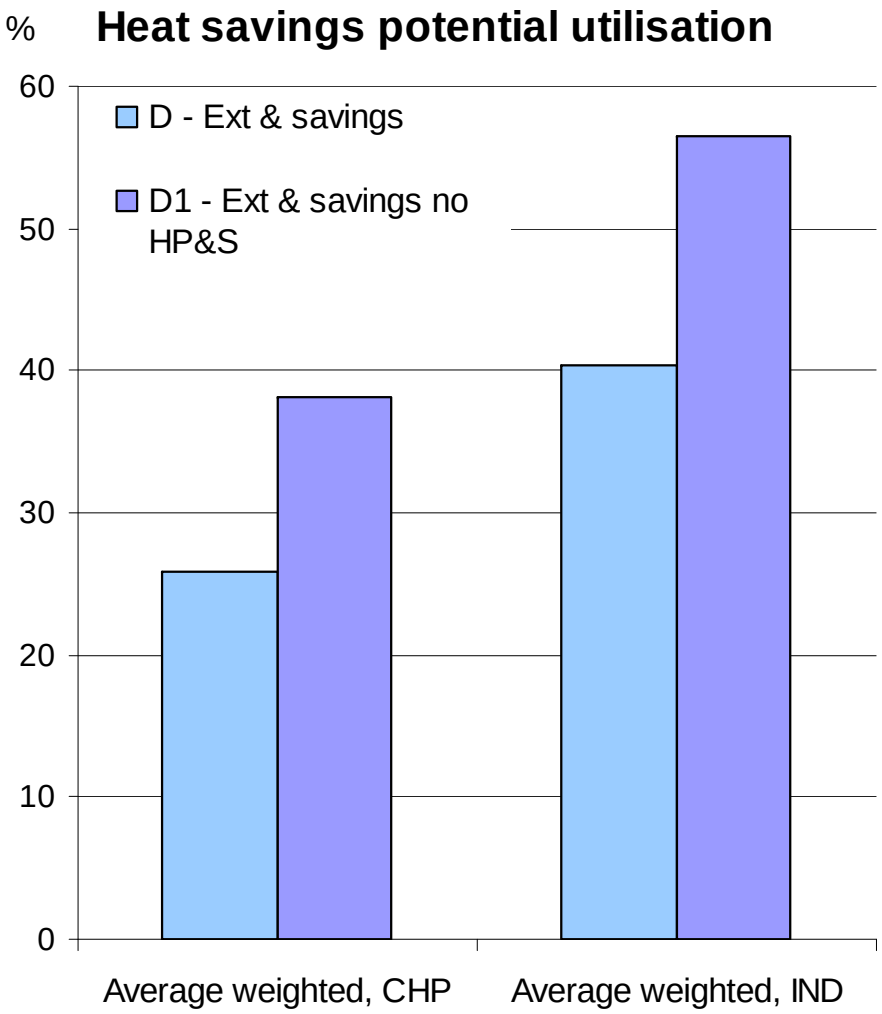

GWh
Fuel used for heat production
70000
60000
50000
40000
30000
20000
10000
0
6.6 %
Wood
Solar
Straw
Natural gas
Municipal waste
Light oil
Fuel oil
Electric
Coal
A - No ext & no savings
B - Ext & no savings
D - Ext & savings

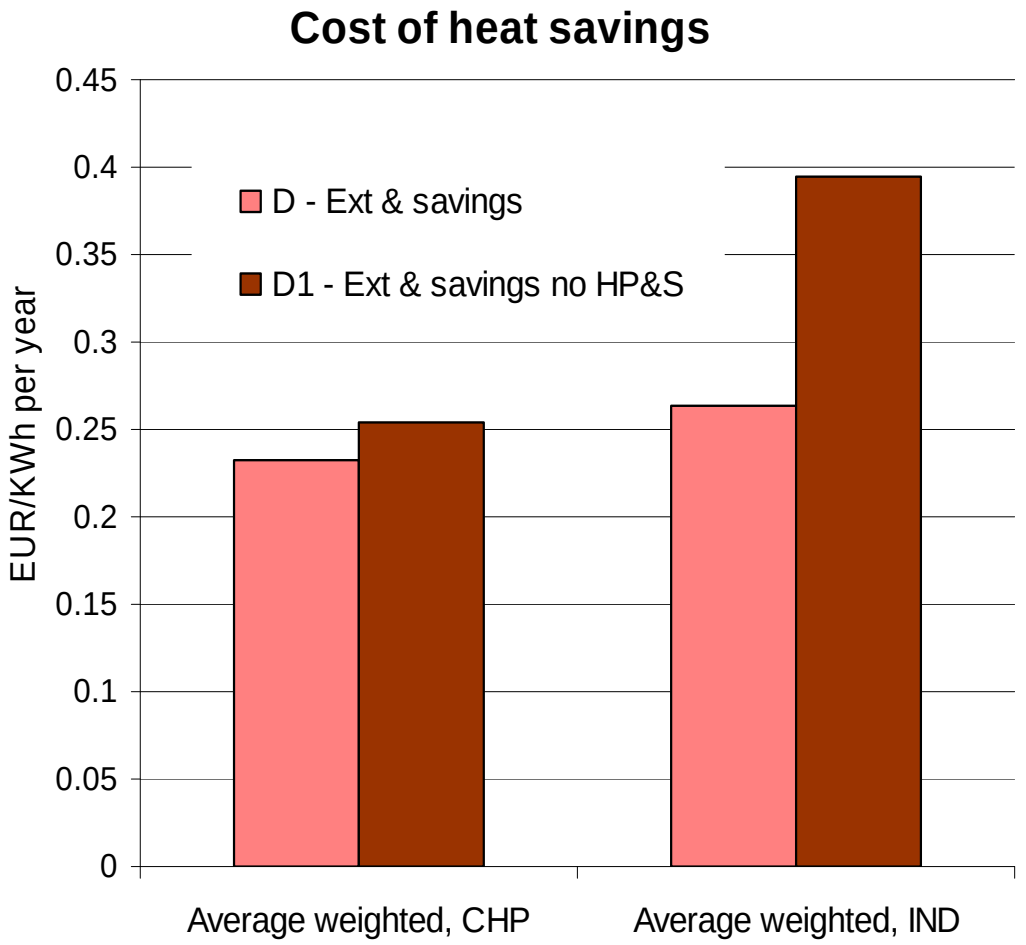
Results II – examples of different District Heating areas



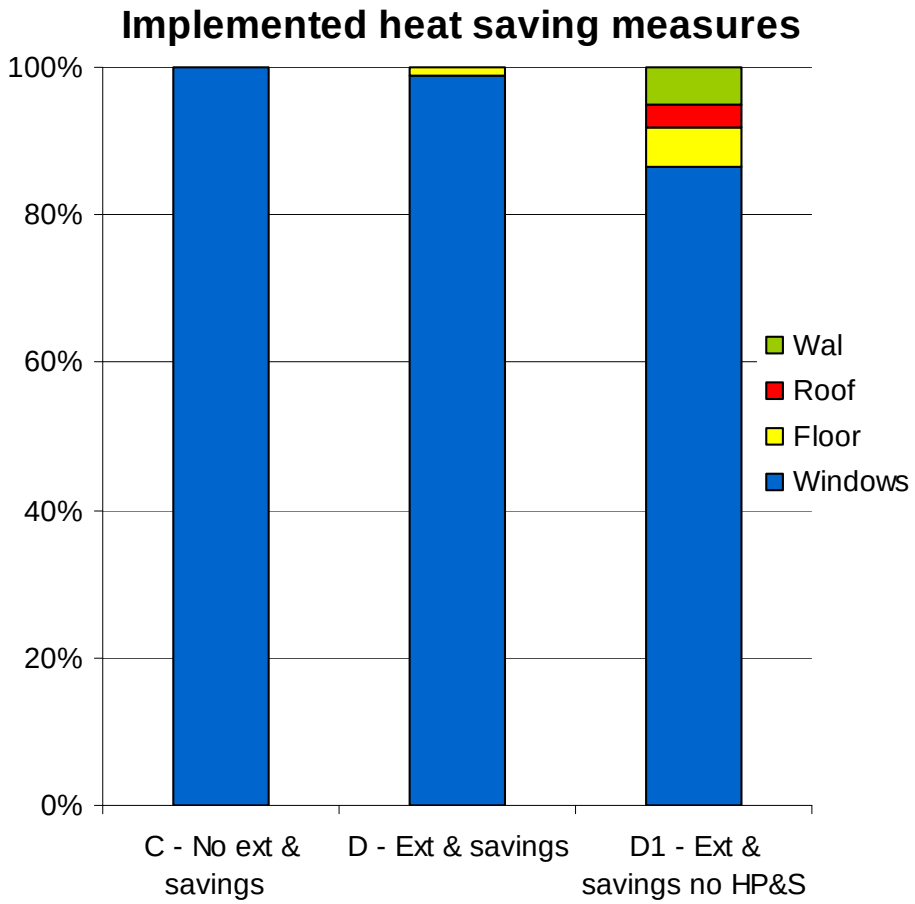


Results III


%
Heat savings potential utilisation
60
50
40
30
20
10
0
D - Ext & savings
D1 - Ext & savings no HP&S
Average weighted, CHP
Average weighted, IND


Cost of heat savings
EUR/KWh per year
0.45
0.4
0.35
0.3
0.25
0.2
0.15
0.1
0.05
0
D - Ext & savings
D1 - Ext & savings no HP&S
Average weighted, CHP
Average weighted, IND

Results IV – implemented heat saving measures



Conclusions

- When health externalities are included, ex post total health external costs from heat and power sector are reduced by 20 %

- When health externalities are included, ex post total health external costs from heat production are reduced by 26 %. Heat savings in buildings contribute to further 5 % reduction in ex post health related external costs from heat sector.

- Biomass based heat production (one of the means to reduce CO_2 emissions) becomes less attractive when health externalities are included due to relatively high release of local pollutants – no renewable targets and relatively low CO_2 price

- The most cost-effective heat saving measure in buildings in DK seems to be replacement of window glazing

- Heat saving measures are more beneficial in the buildings with individual heat production than in buildings, connected to District Heating

Thank you for attention!

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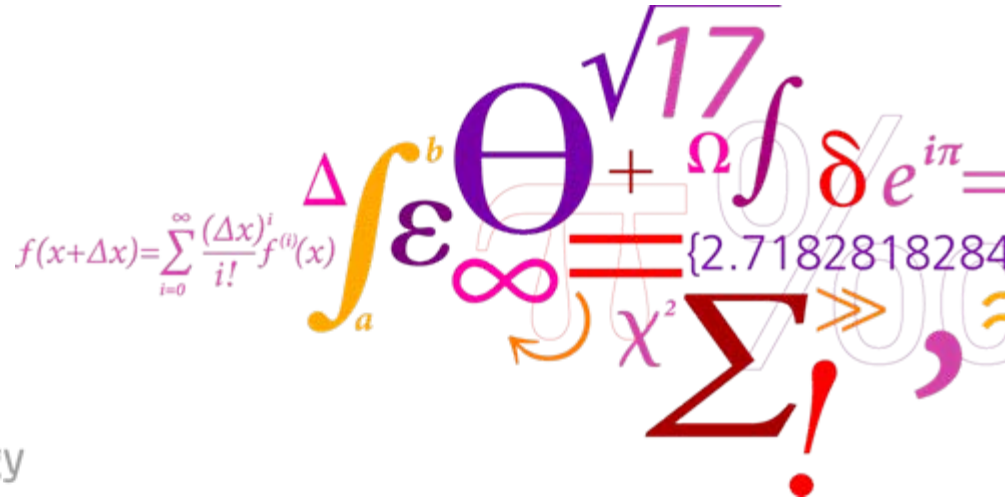

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