

10.02_PH-SUMMER SCHOOL

RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS Terraced / Row Houses

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- Special features of the buildings:
 - Architectural quality,
 - Sustainability,
 - Energy efficiency,
 - Economy and Ecology.

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Row houses Kronsberg, Hannover (DE)

Architecture:

Petra Grenz, Folkmer Rasch
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Row houses Kronsberg, Hannover (DE) Architectural concept

Architecture: **Petra Grenz, Folkmer Rasch**



- 32 terraced houses in 4 rows; 3 house sizes: 81, 108 and 130 m² total floor space.
- Mixed construction: Dividing walls, floor slabs and building-services-cum-staircase core are made of prefabricated concrete elements, insulating building envelope of prefabricated lightweight timber elements. Fitted with airing cabinets.
- Provision of financial incentives to purchase efficient household appliances. Fitted with thermal solar collectors.
- Supplementary heat supply from local district heat system fed by combined heat and power (CHP) units.

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Architectural concept



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- Climate neutral through a 1,250.- € share in a nearby wind energy facility. The share was integrated into the house purchase price.
- The buildings are next to a nature reserve and are intended to be a link between it and the city.

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Architectural concept

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South view



These are 16 of the 32 terraced houses. Each house has a green turf roof (part of a project to reduce run-off rain water) and solar water-heating panels.

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Row houses Kronsberg, Hannover (DE)
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South view / second row



The pipes through the roofs are the inlets and outlets for the ventilation system.

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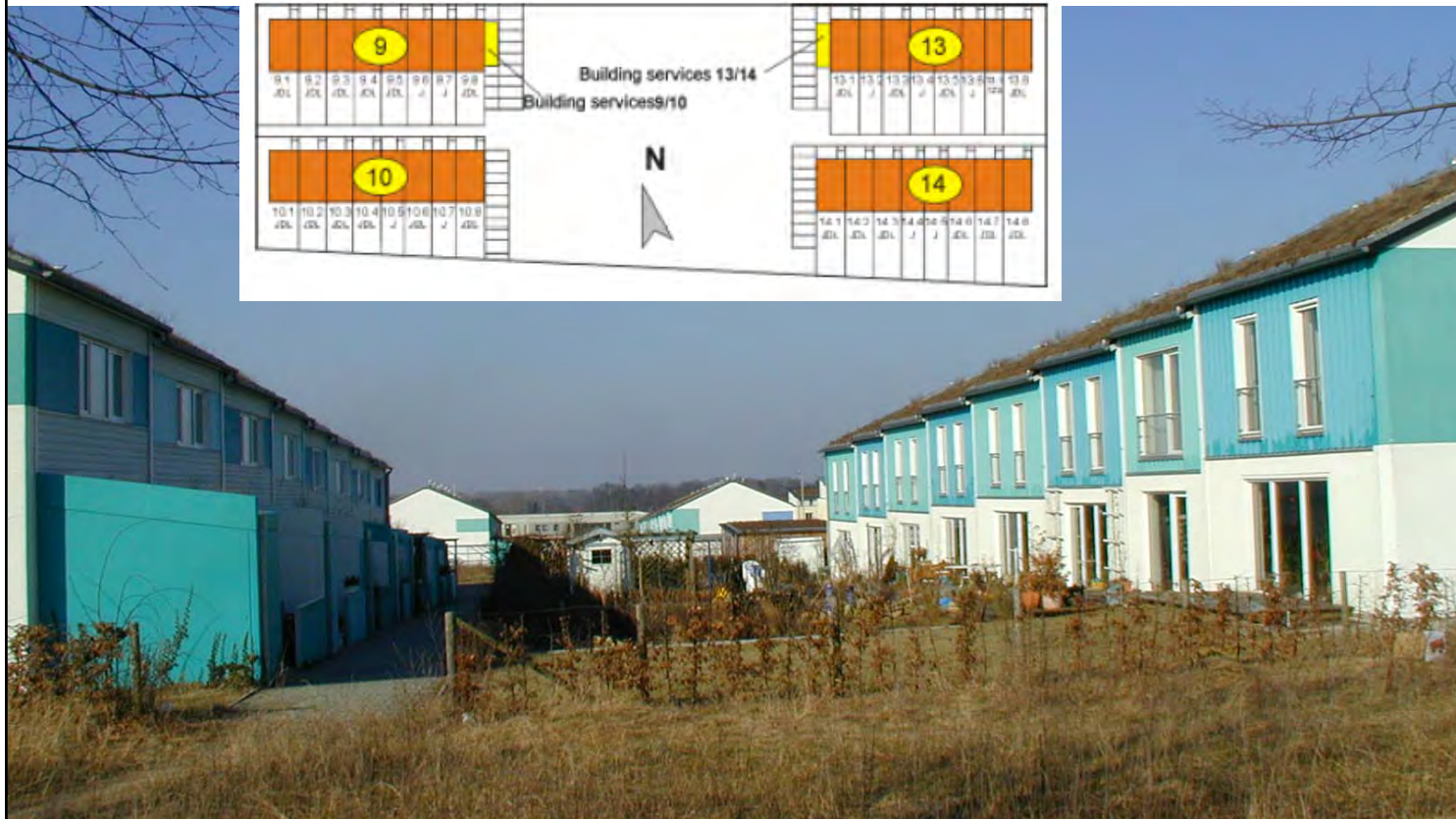
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East view

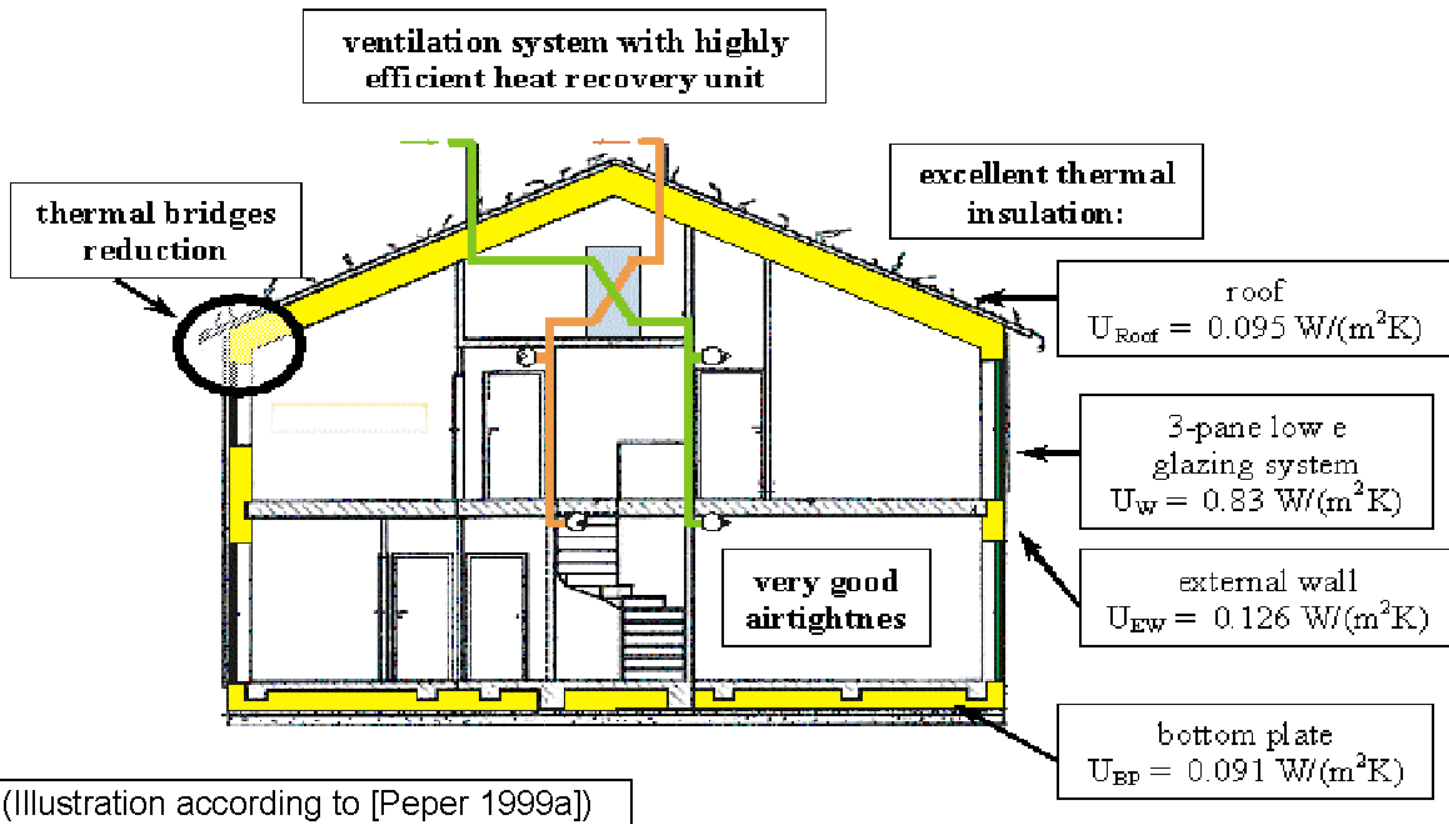


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DESCRIPTION OF ENERGY SAVING FEATURES

- Superinsulation technologies: U-values of all opaque envelope elements below $0.15 \text{ W}/(\text{m}^2\text{K})$.
- Reduced thermal bridges.
- Very good airtightness (PE-films in lightweight elements, airtight connections): $n_{50} < 0,6 \text{ /h}$.
- Use of passive solar energy: large south oriented windows.
- 3-pane low-emissivity glazing systems with U-value below $0.8 \text{ W}/(\text{m}^2\text{K})$ and a high solar transmittance factor (60 %).
- Windows with superframes (U-value of frame below $0.8 \text{ W}/(\text{m}^2\text{K})$)
- Heat recovery with high-efficiency counterflow air-to-air heat exchangers (efficiency greater than 75 %).
- Solar collectors for production of domestic hot water.

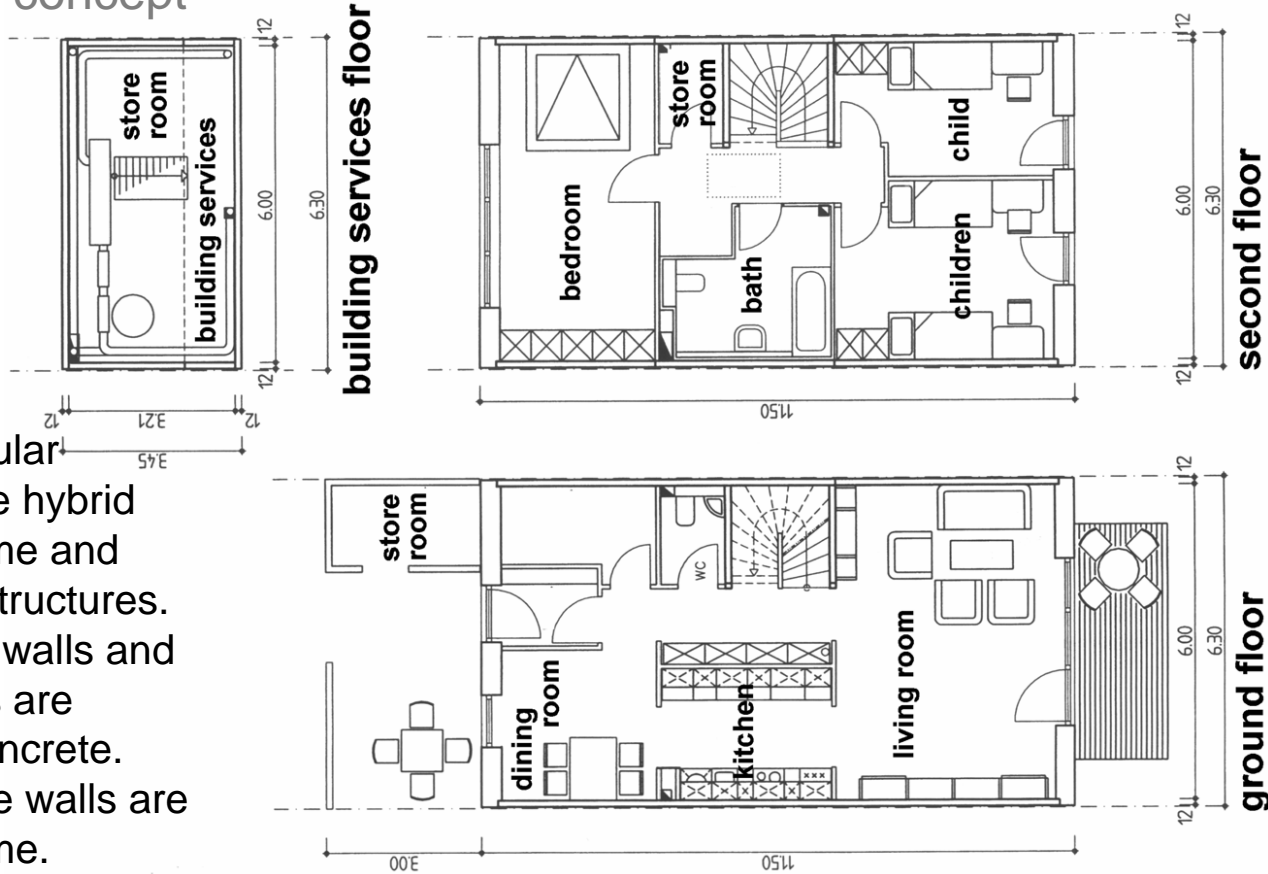
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Floors



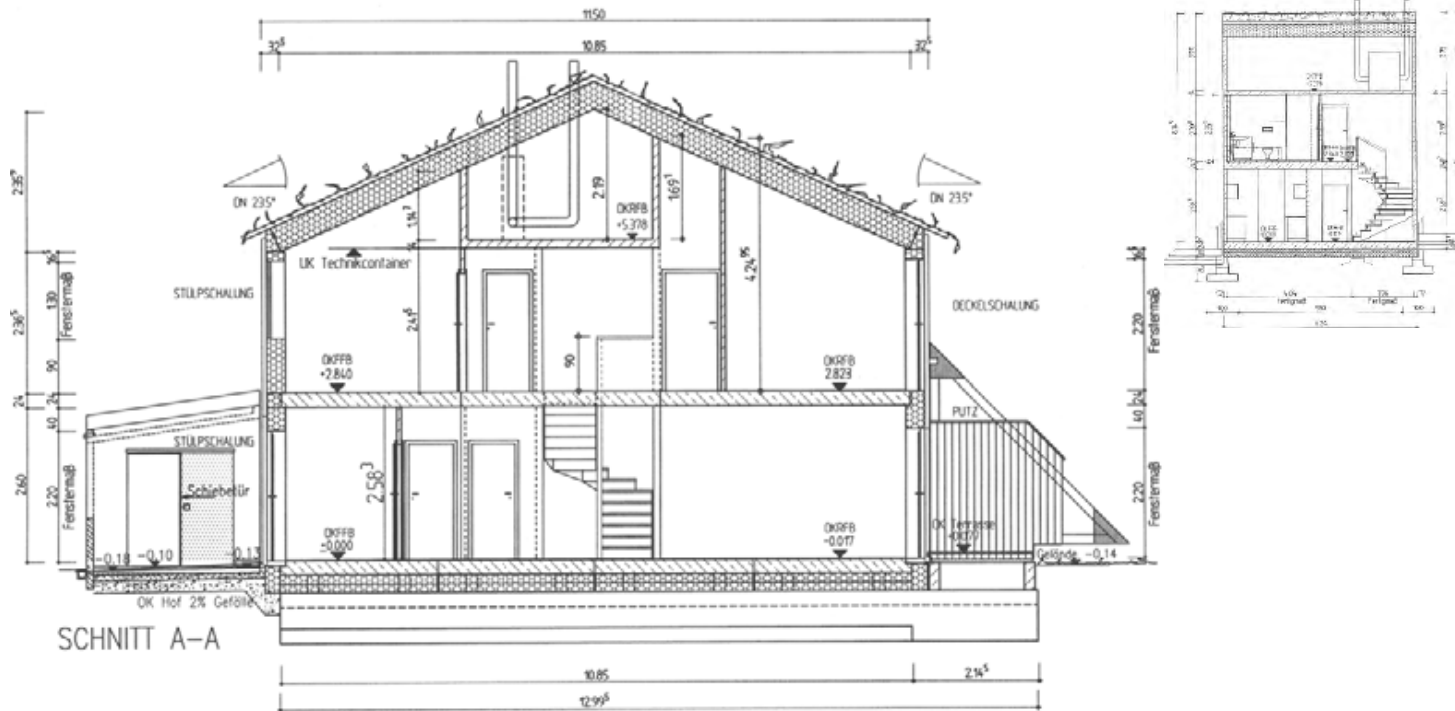
The particular houses are hybrid timber frame and concrete structures. The gable walls and party walls are precast concrete. The façade walls are timber frame.

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Building concept - Section



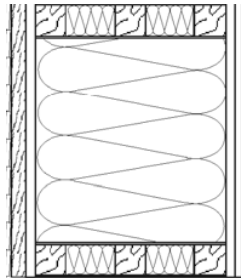
Section of one house, the floor slab and the ceiling are solid with concrete, the roof and the outside walls are prefabricated timber frame elements.

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Standard details of the building shell



12⁵ 300 16 12⁵

Outer wall (south and north facade) with prefabricated lightweight wood elements

- 12,5 mm Plaster board
- 16 mm Particleboard
- 300mm Box beam truss in-between mineral wool insulation
- 16 mm Particleboard
- Ventilated board casing

$$U = 0,126 \text{ W/(m}^2\text{K)}$$



This is the cross section of the timber frame façade wall showing the heat insulation.

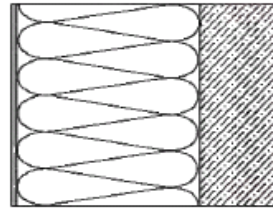
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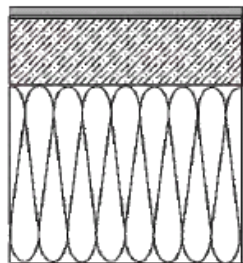


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Outer wall (gable side)

- 165 mm Prefabricated concrete element
- 400 mm EPS polystyrene hard foam thermal insulation compound system
- 8 mm plastered on the outside

U=0,097 W/(m²K)

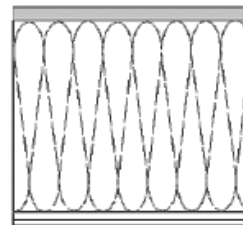


160 5 20
300-420

Floor slab

- 20 mm Wood flooring
- 5 mm Tread absorbing insulation (PE-foam)
- 150 mm Concrete slab
- 300 mm/420 mm Insulation (Final houses)

U=0,125 W/(m²K) (Middle houses) / U=0,091 W/(m²K) (End of row)



25
400
12, 16

Roof system

- 12,5 mm Plaster board
- 19 mm Particle board
- 400 mm I- truss in-between mineral wool
- 25 mm Particle board

Roof sealing

Green roof system

U=0,095 W/(m²K)

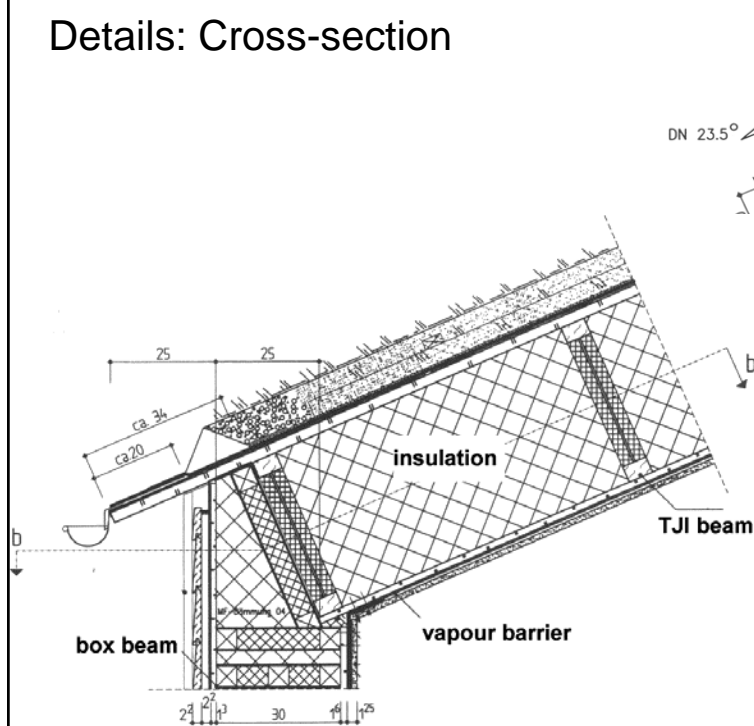
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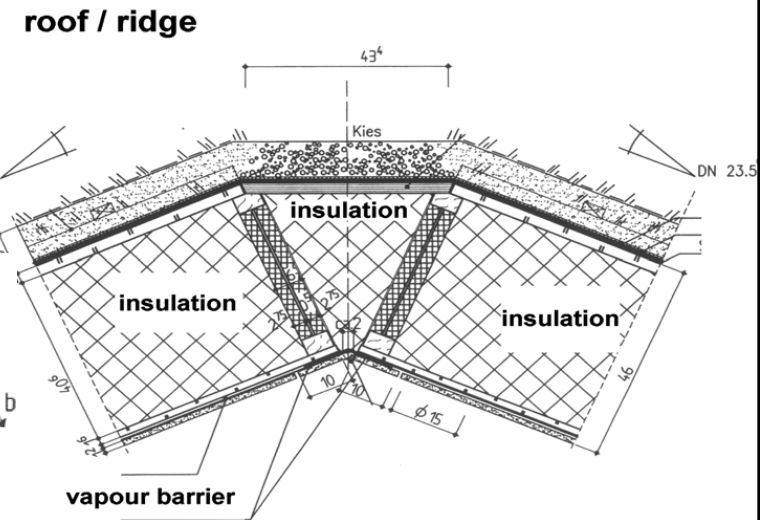
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Details: Cross-section



Thermal-bridge free eaves junction of the roof element to the facade element



Thermal-bridge free ridge junction

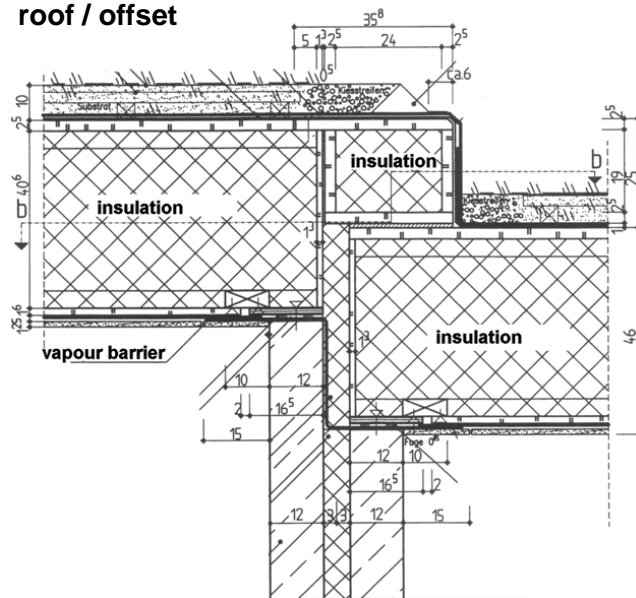
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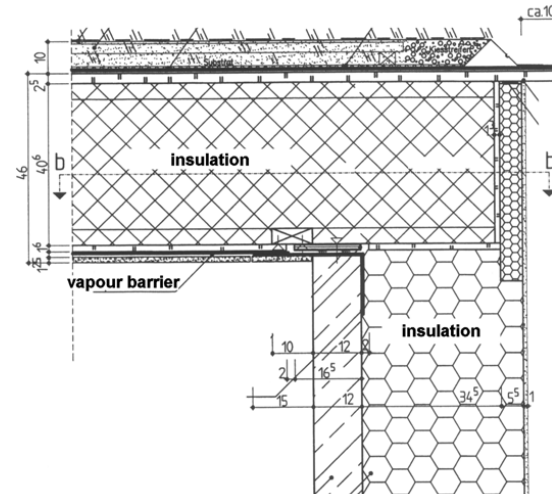
Building concept - Details: Cross-section

roof / offset



Thermal-bridge free junction of two offset roof elements

roof / end of the row / verge



Thermal-bridge free junction with the gable wall's thermal compound insulation system against the lightweight roof element

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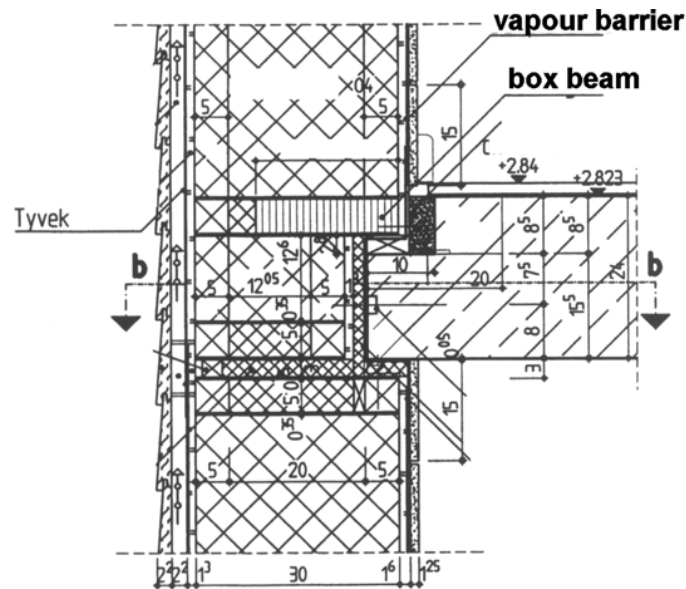
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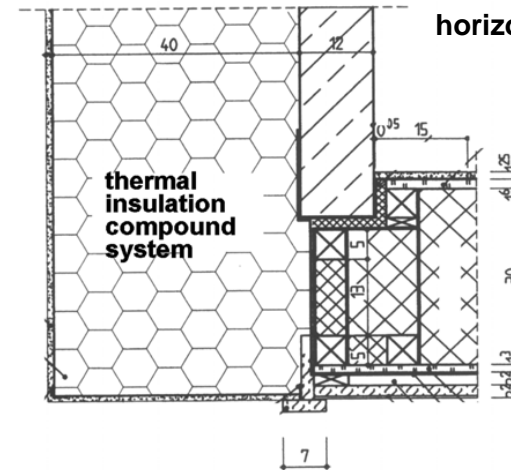
Building concept - Details: Section

facade: thermal insulation compound system

Vertical section



horizontal section



facade

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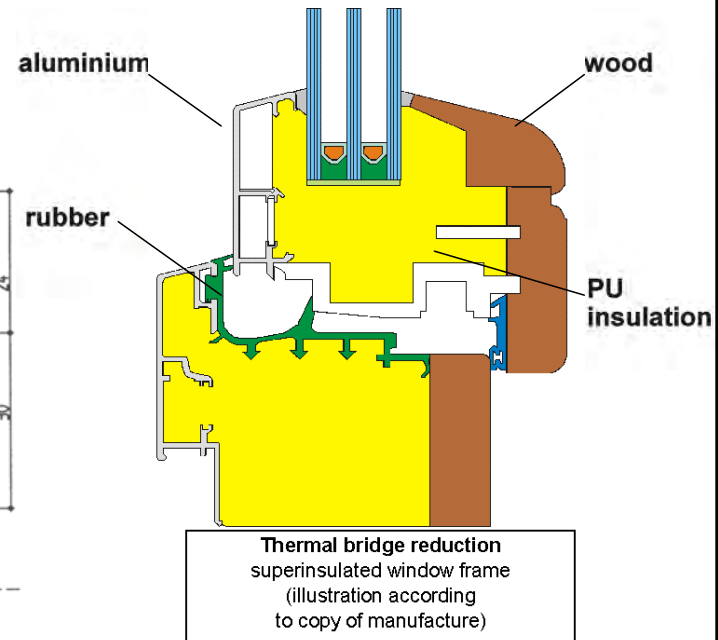
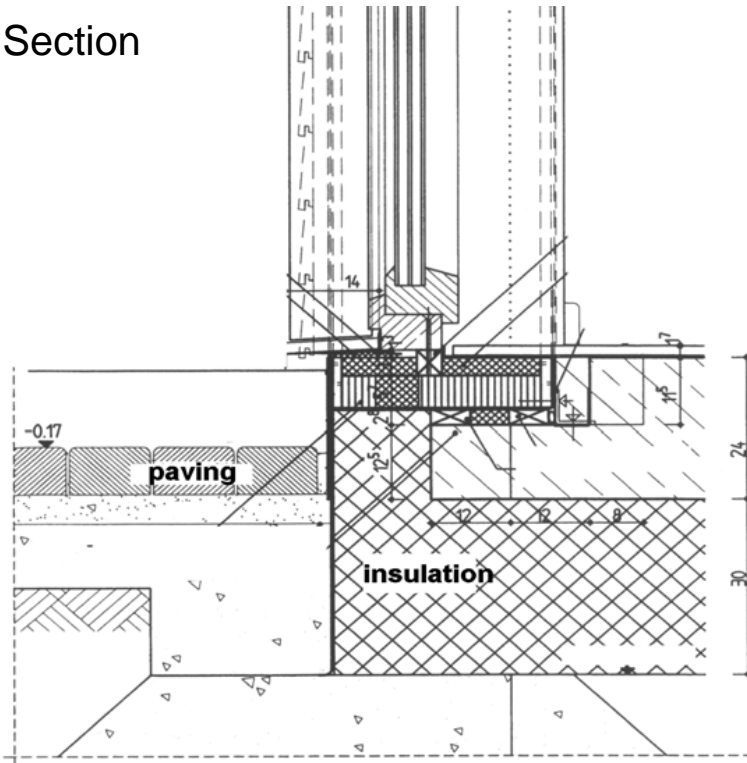
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Window / frame

Section

Glass: Vegla "Climatop solar", $g=60\%$
(2*16 mm) and argon gas filling



facade / base

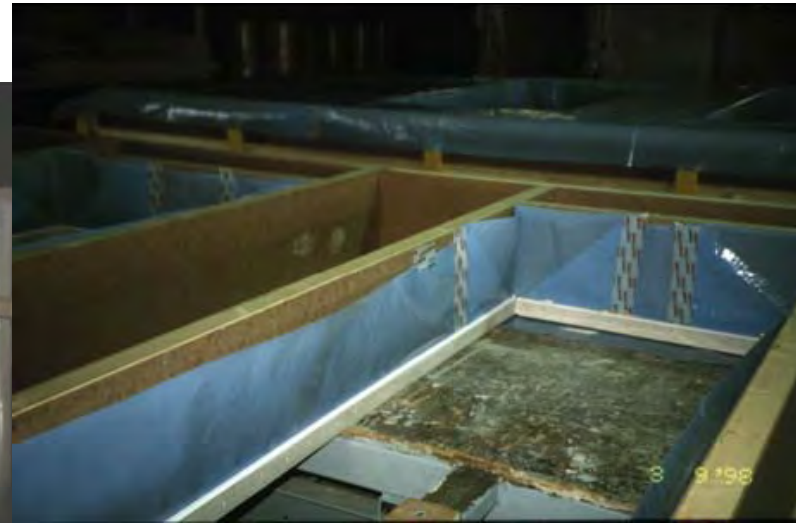
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Row houses Kronsberg, Hannover (DE) Building concept - Prefabrication

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Facade element windowcase.
The airtight foil joints are carefully glued, the overhanging foil is there to allow for an airtight seal with the next elements



The finished elements, prepared for transport to the construction site.
Clearly visible are the overhanging foils for the airtight connection.

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Building concept - Air-tightness



The final house of a row with the solid gable wall and outside heat insulation on the left side. Ventilation pipes on the roof.

The air-tightness of the houses is very good
 $n_{50} = 0.17$ to $0.4/h$.

Average over all houses: $n_{50} = 0.29/h$



The comfort ventilation system with heat exchange in the small building services room in the attic of each house.

This room is inside the thermal shell and the air-tight layer of the entire house.

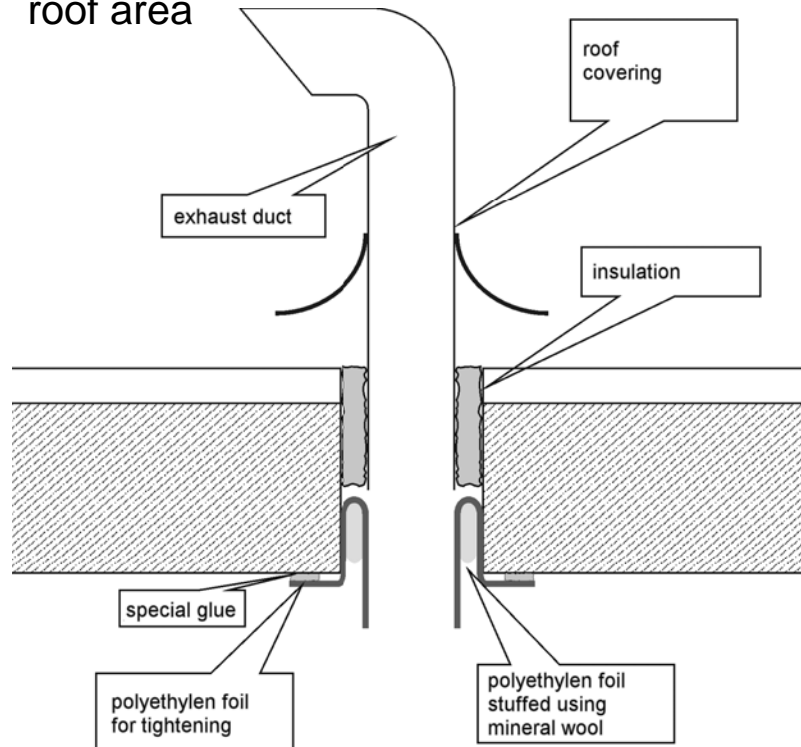
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Building concept

Airtight ventilation duct penetration in the roof area



Instead of a prefabricated product, the seal can simply be made out of a strip of mineral wool and polyethylene foil pieces. The foil is folded along its length for this purpose, so that a strip roughly 15 cm high forms a (V-form) „pocket“. This piece must be so long that both ends overlap by at least 10 cm when they are wrapped around the inner duct in the cylinder cut to be sealed. The foil pocket is placed in the seam with the opening pointing downwards and then filled out with mineral wool or foamed polyethylene afterwards.

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Building concept - Air-tightness tests

Main leakages found:

1. Connection of outer wall elements to the concrete pieces
2. Support caulking in the gabled walls on the ground floor and first floor plates
3. Seals and connections of house doors and windows
4. Cable glands through the base plate and through the walls of the building services room
5. Concrete cracks
6. Sanitary pipes and water lines
7. Roof ducts

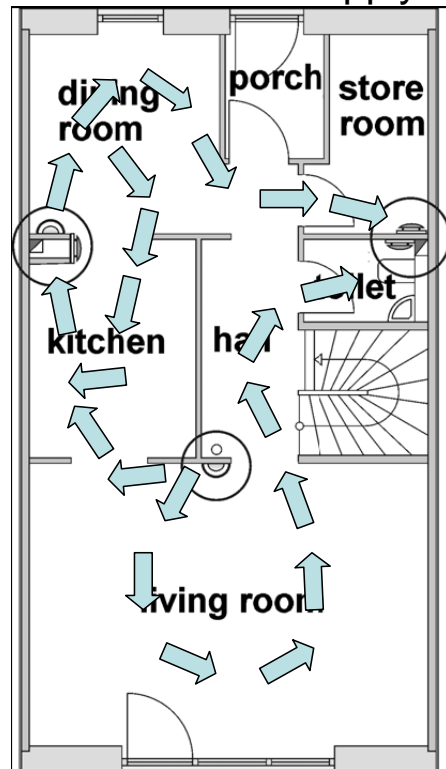
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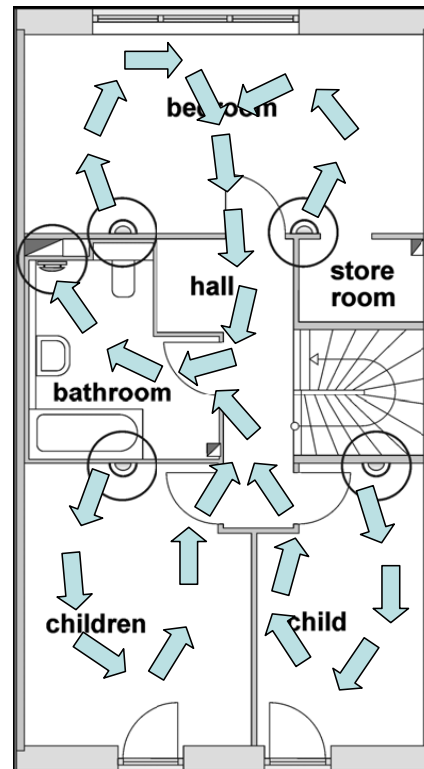
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Building concept - Ventilation

Position of the supply and exhaust air outlets and their respective nozzles



ground floor

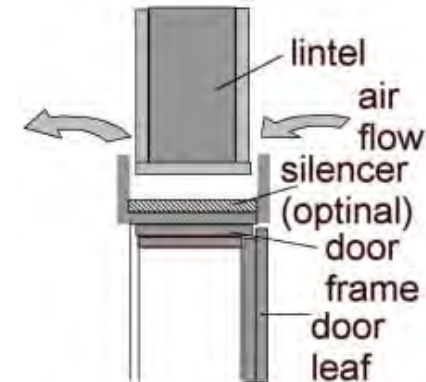


second floor

← way of air flow through the rooms



Way of air flow through the door frame with silencer



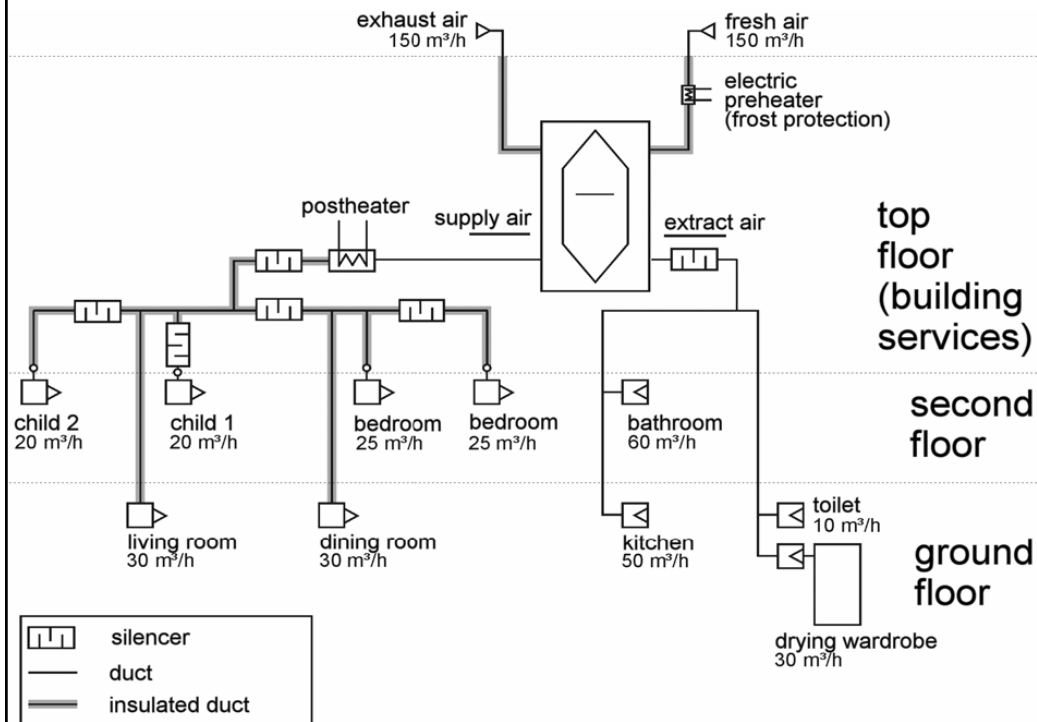
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Energy concept - Ventilation system

Duct network plan with the design layout flow volumes



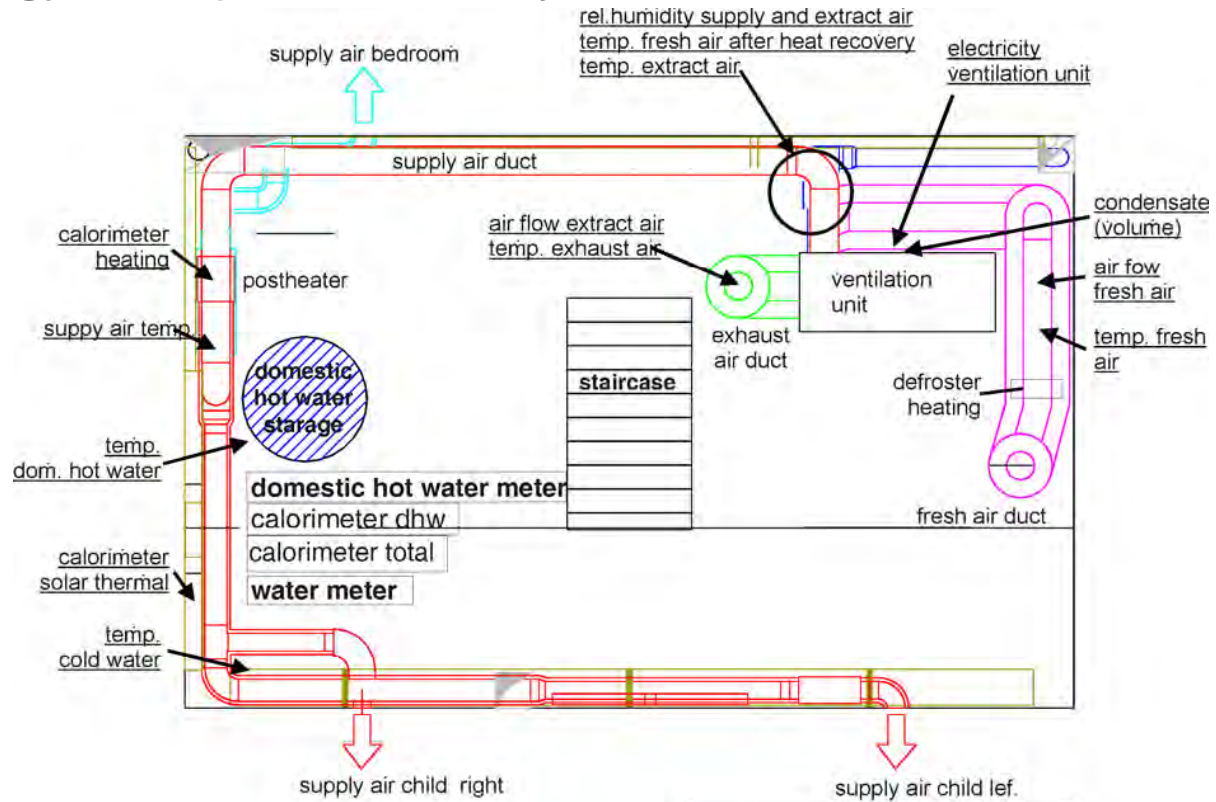
Ventilation unit with heat exchanger in the building services floor

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Energy concept - Ventilation system + household electricity



- Part of the ventilation system is this drying wardrobe (cabinet / box). It uses the exhaust air and is installed in all houses.
- All houses have the possibility to connect the dish-washer and the washing machine with the domestic hot water (DHW) supply to avoid electrical heat production as much as possible.
- All inhabitants were advised to equip their households with energy saving electric appliances e.g. light, cooling and freezing, dish-washer and washing machine.
- The use of energy efficient appliances was supported.

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Energy concept - Domestic hot water (DHW)



Installation wall on the building services floor with domestic hot water storage tank (300 litre).



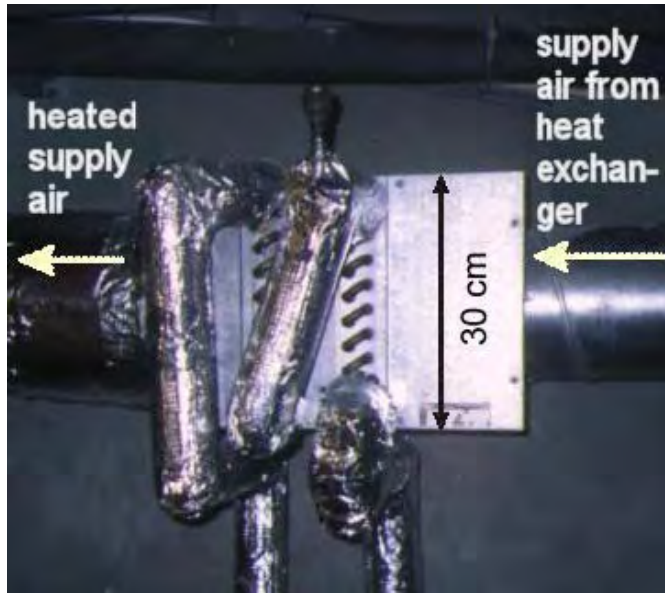
3,8 m² flat plate solar collector (absorber area) supports the domestic hot water production by the district heating system (fed by combined heat and power (CHP) units).

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Energy concept - Ventilation – post heating of supply air



Post-heater in the inflow pipeline (before and after the addition of insulation)

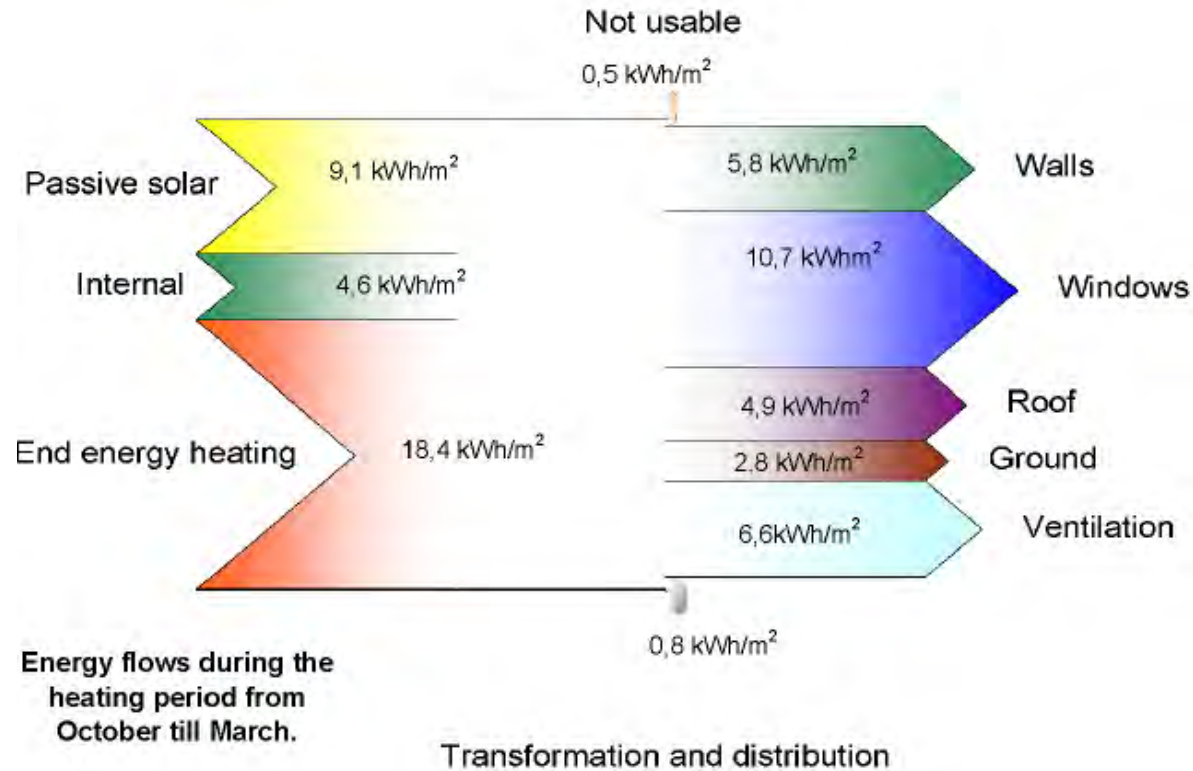
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Energy concept - Energy balance

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Results

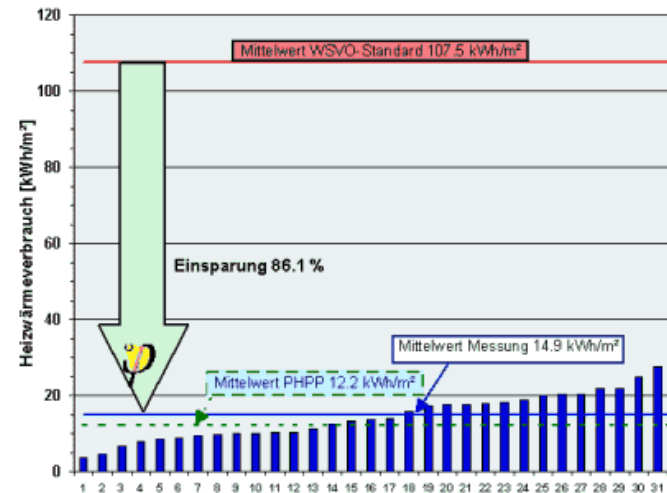
- Also in a PH the use(r) can influence the spread of the energy consumption very strongly. But the statistical average is the important factor.



See the research results at:

www.passivhaustagung.de/zehnte/englisch/texte/PEP-Info1_Passive_Houses_Kronsberg.pdf

- The heating energy consumption was measured for a period of 3 years
- The results vary from 4 to 30 kWh/m²a
- The statistical average corresponds to the PH-criteria very well.



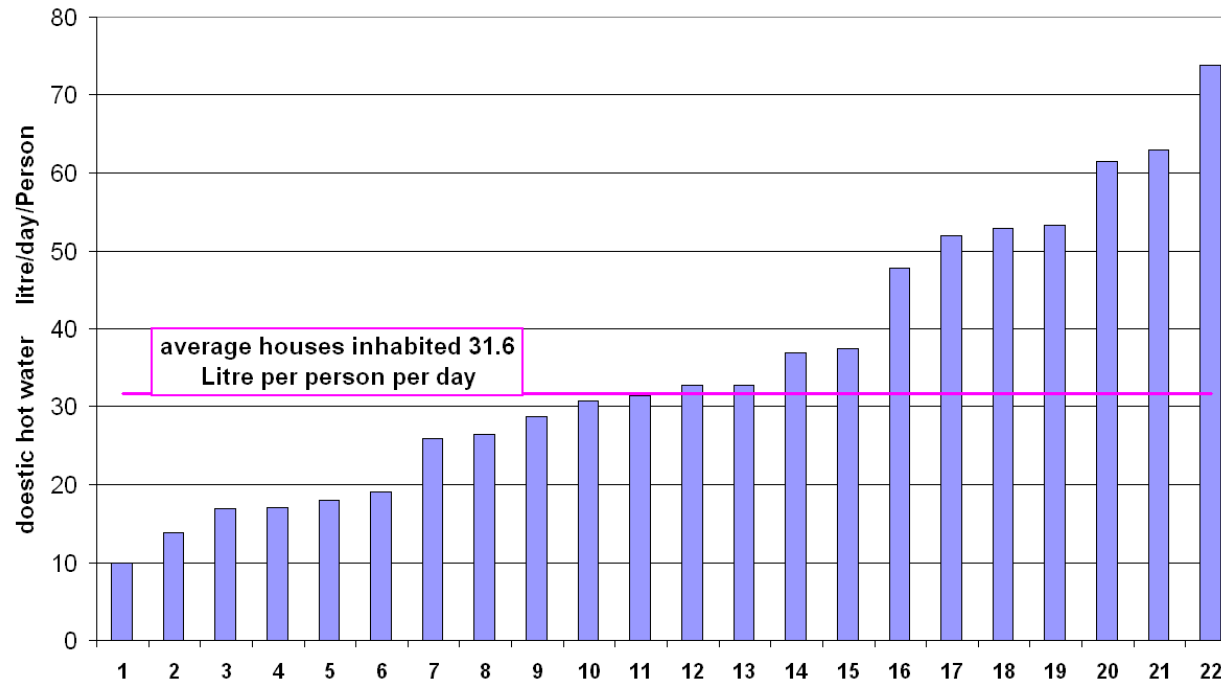
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Results

WW Liter/Haus /Person 99/2000



average houses inhabited 31.6
Litre per person per day

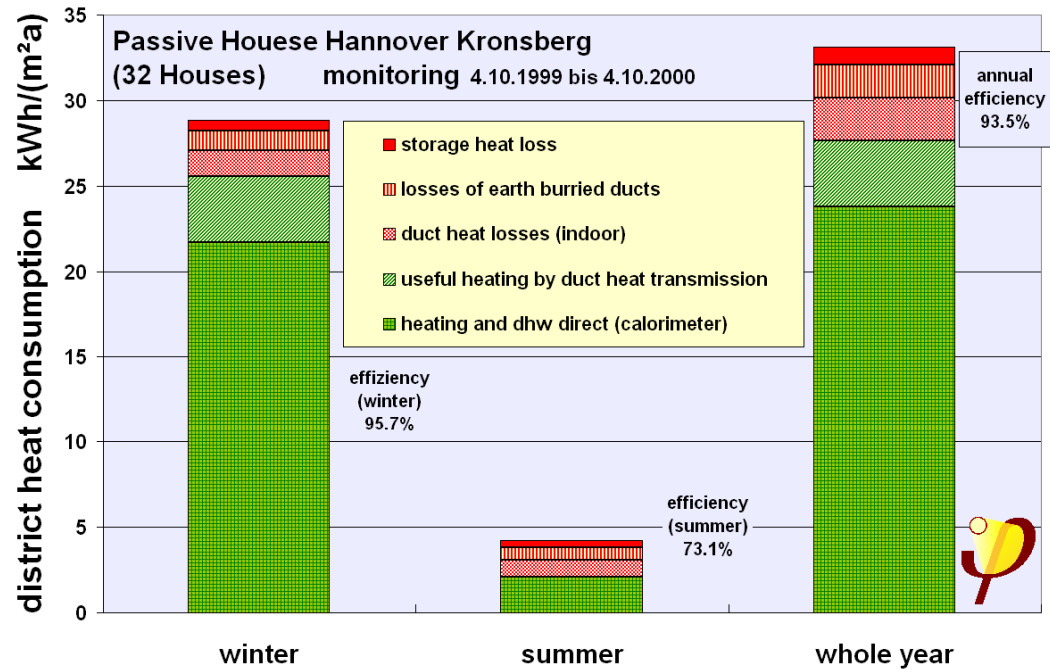
Average hot water consumption per day in litres per person from 1. October 1999 to 30. September 2000 in the 22 permanently occupied houses.

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Results



The division of the total district heating consumption into useful heat (below), useful heat dissipation from the heating ducts and duct heat losses as well as storage heat losses (upper three columns) for all 32 Passive Houses

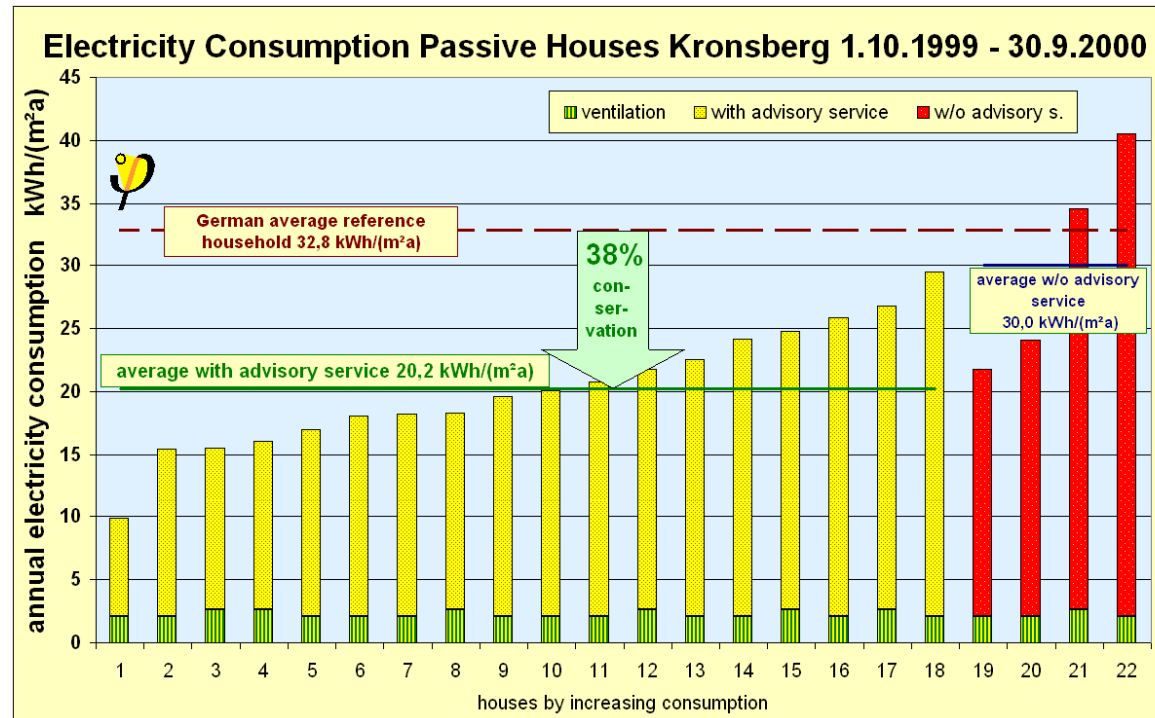
(measurement cycle 4.10.1999 to 4.10.2000).

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Results - Household electricity efficiency



Measured annual electricity consumption of the 22 Passive Houses

(permanently occupied in 1999/2000) from 1.10.1999 to 30.09.2000 (household, auxiliary and ventilation electricity, but without common electricity).

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Results - Household electricity efficiency

- In the reference value of 32,8 kWh/(m²a) there is no electricity consumption included for the ventilation system, although this is definitely part of the measured average value of 20,2 kWh/(m²a) for the occupied houses.
- The average electricity consumption for the ventilation systems, according to the detailed measurements carried out, equals about 2,3 kWh/(m²a);
- without this necessary extra consumption for Passive Houses, the household electricity consumption would equal 17,9 kWh/(m²a) and be thus **45% under the statistical average value.**

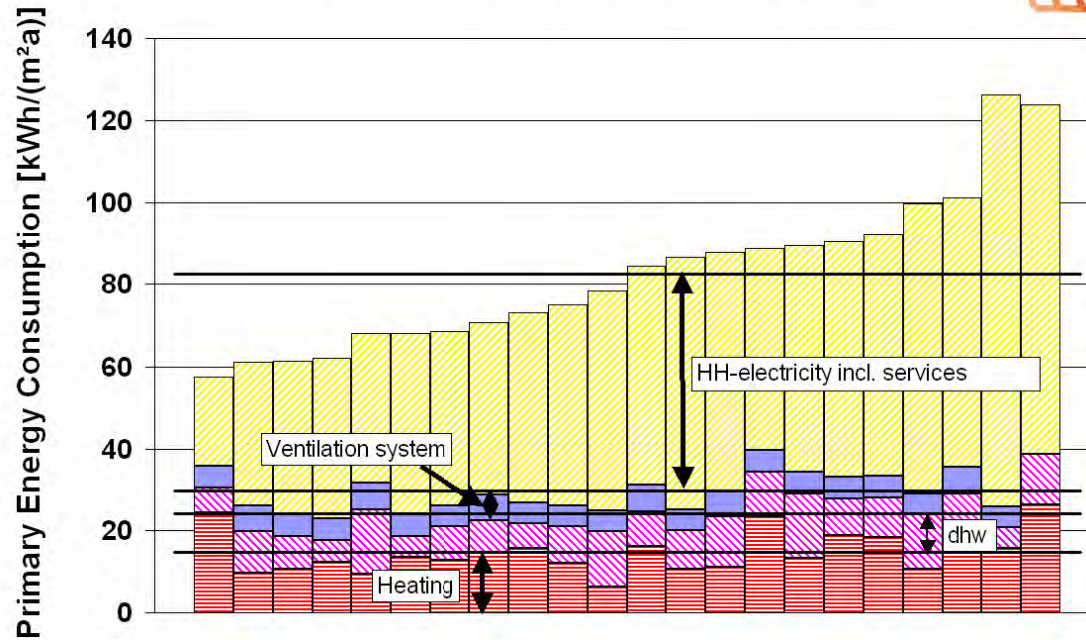
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Primary Energy Consumption



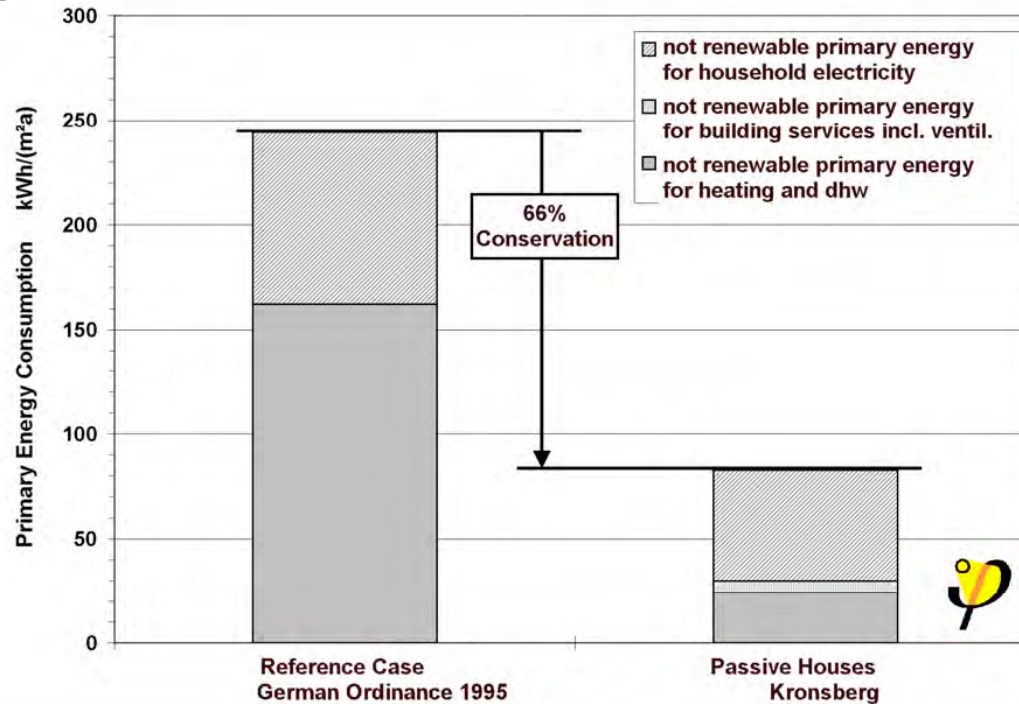
Primary energy consumption during the first full measurement year (1.10.1999 to 30.9.2000) for the 22 permanently occupied Passive Houses. This is clearly below the target value for new Passive Houses in Germany (120 kWh/(m²a)) and the 2000 W-Society (100 kWh/(m²a)).

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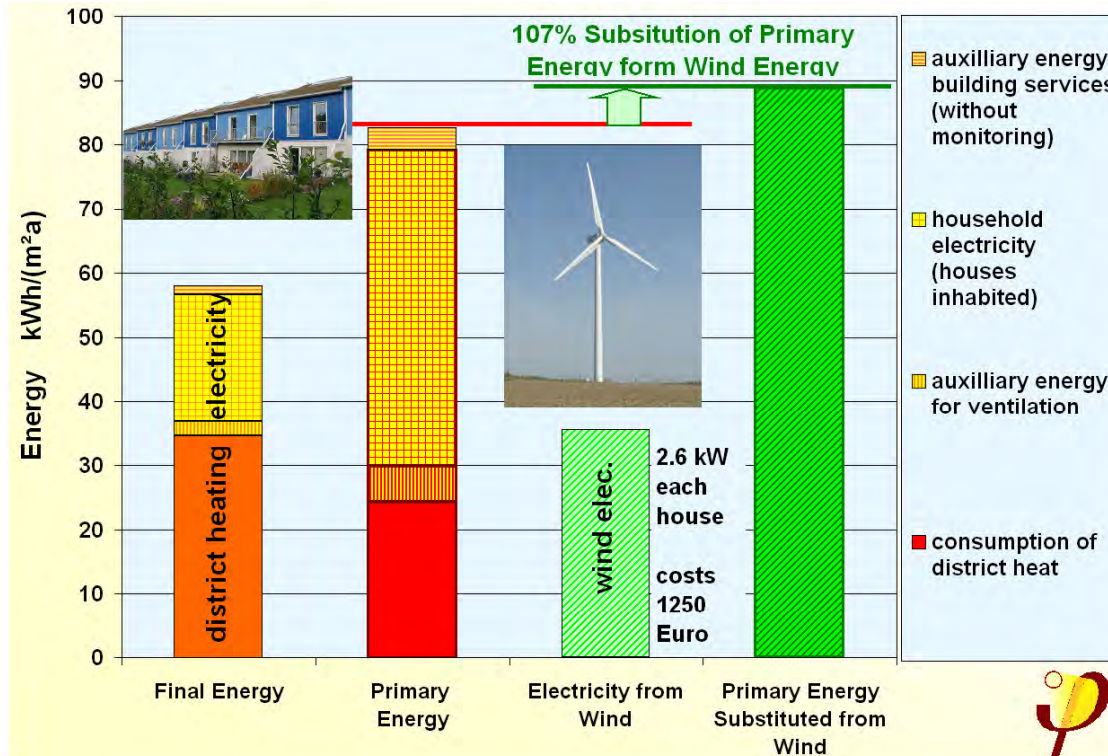
Total primary energy consumption for a reference case built to the current average new construction standard and according to the measurement values in the Passive House estate.

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Primary energy consumption in the Hannover-Kronsberg Passive House estate in comparison with the substitution of conventional primary energy by wind energy shares to illustrate the climate neutrality.

Source:

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Architectural concept



- 6 terraced houses in 2 rows; 2 houses with 3 levels, 4 houses with 2 levels (108 and 130 m² total floor area), garage is underground.
- Through this densely planned construction (6 houses on 1.440 m² area) a reassignment of the neighbouring lots to an agricultural zone was possible. This compensation is a way to reduce the use of land.
- A sensitive way of handling the difficult landscape.
- Flat entrances on sloping land (general design)
- No sealing of the soil surface around the house

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Row houses Batschuns, Zwischenwasser (AT)

Architecture: Walter Unterrainer

Architectural concept



- Varied uses of the houses are possible (also in detail solutions like variable electrical outlets)
- Priority to (problem-free) ecological building solutions.

Special features of the buildings:

- Architectural quality,
- Urbanism,
- Sustainability,
- Energy efficiency,
- Economy and
- Ecology.

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Row houses Batschuns, Zwischenwasser (AT)

Architecture: Walter Unterrainer

Architectural concept

- Smaller windows to the street (north)



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Architecture: Walter Unterrainer

Architectural concept

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Row houses Batschuns, Zwischenwasser (AT)

Architectural concept / Interior

The terraces in front of the living rooms are
3 steps lower to have a full view of the
landscape

Living area on the ground floor



Bedroom on the upper floor



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Row houses Batschuns, Zwischenwasser (AT)

Architecture: Walter Unterrainer

Architectural concept / Interior



Stairs to the upper floor

- The ventilation ducts are covered in the construction



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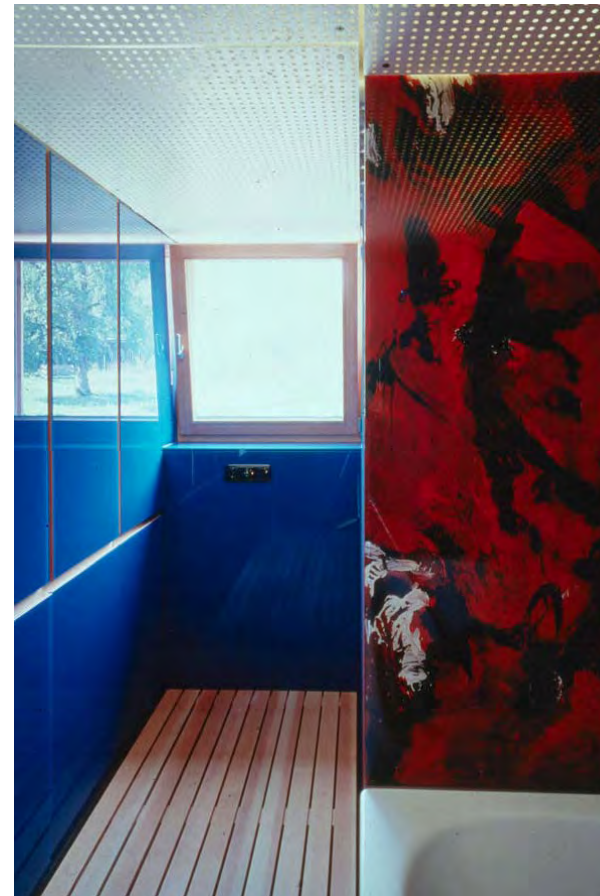
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Architecture: Walter Unterrainer

Interior – bath room



Ventilation ducts and lights are covered by a ceiling grid.



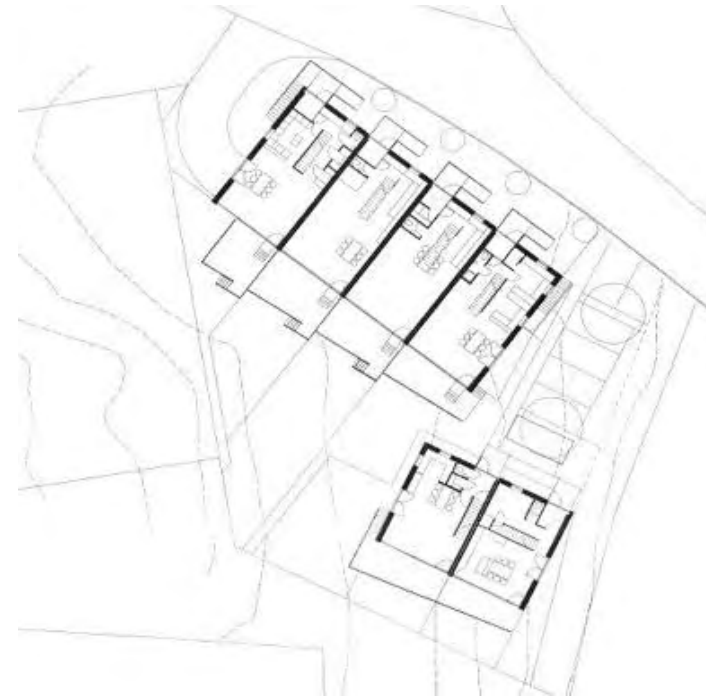
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Architecture: Walter Unterrainer



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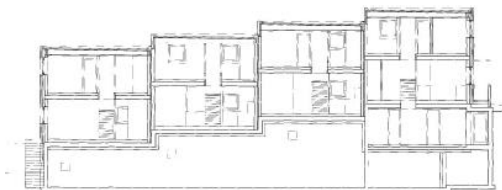
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Row houses Batschuns, Zwischenwasser (AT) Architectural concept / Exterior

Architecture: Walter Unterrainer



- Following the level of the slope



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Architecture: Walter Unterrainer

Building concept



- Mixed construction: Dividing walls, and floor slabs are concrete, insulating building shell of lightweight timber elements, the roof elements are prefabricated.
- 12 m² of thermal solar collectors for hot water and a 500 l domestic hot water storage tank for each house.
- De-central ventilation heat exchanger and (special) small heat pumps.
- Pre-heating of incoming air with 25 m of sub-soil heat exchanger pipes.
- Annual heat demand $Q_H=9,16 \text{ kWh/m}^2\text{a}$
- 1,420.- Euro / m² building costs.

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Row houses Batschuns, Zwischenwasser (AT)

Architecture: Walter Unterrainer

Building concept

DESCRIPTION OF ENERGY SAVING FEATURES

- Superinsulation technologies: U-values of all opaque envelope elements below $0.15 \text{ W}/(\text{m}^2\text{K})$.
- Reduced thermal bridges.
- Very good airtightness (PE-films in lightweight elements, airtight connections): $n_{50} < 0,6 \text{ /h}$.
- Use of passive solar energy: large south oriented windows.
- 3-pane low-emissivity glazing systems with U-value below $0.8 \text{ W}/(\text{m}^2\text{K})$ and a high solar transmittance factor (60 %).
- Windows with superframes (U-value of frame below $0.8 \text{ W}/(\text{m}^2\text{K})$)
- Heat recovery with high-efficiency counterflow air-to-air heat exchangers (efficiency greater than 75 %).
- Solar collectors for production of domestic hot water.

Source: Neutral

Row houses Batschuns, Zwischenwasser (AT)

Building concept - Cross section

1. Prefabricated roof element: $U=0,11 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$

- sealing sheet
- 40 mm foam insulation
- 19 mm 3-layer panel
- 250-350 mm cellulose insulation with slope
- vapour barrier
- 35 mm foam insulation
- 19 mm three-layered wood panel

2. Wall construction south:

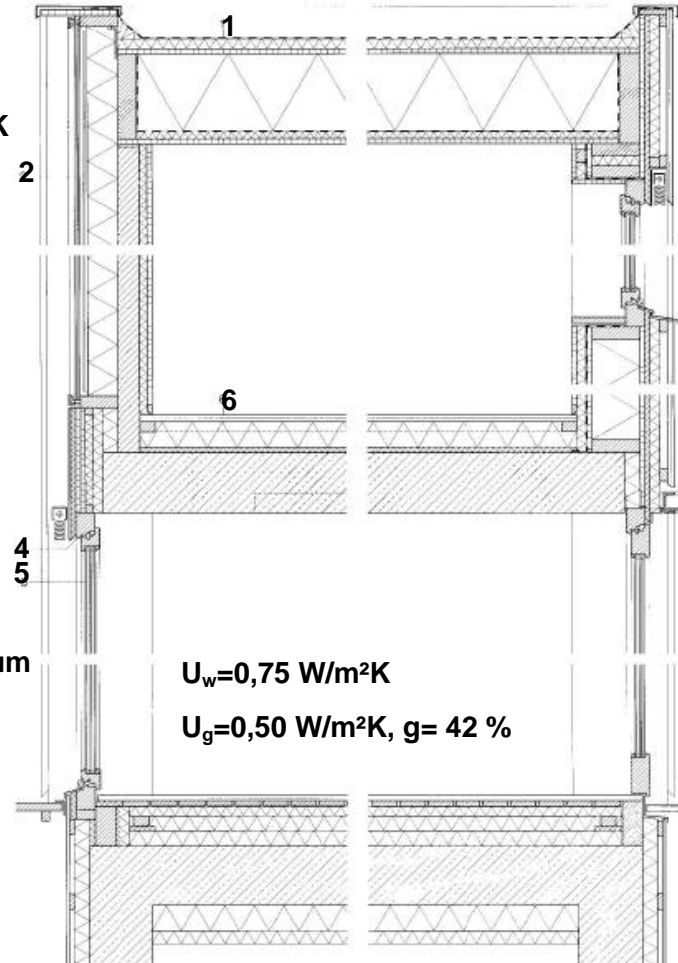
- insulated glazing, hot water collector
- 120 mm mineral wool
- 90mm brick-work
- 30 mm flax insulation
- 19 mm three-layer wood panel

4. Window frame: larch, insulated, cover of aluminium

5. triple insulated glazing with thermal separation

6. Floor construction, ceiling above ground floor:

- 27 mm parquet
- 83 mm cellulose insulation
- 20 mm softboard
- 240 mm reinforced concrete ceiling with air ducts



Source: Detail 3/99

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Detail: Cross section

3. Prefabricated timber wall construction, north

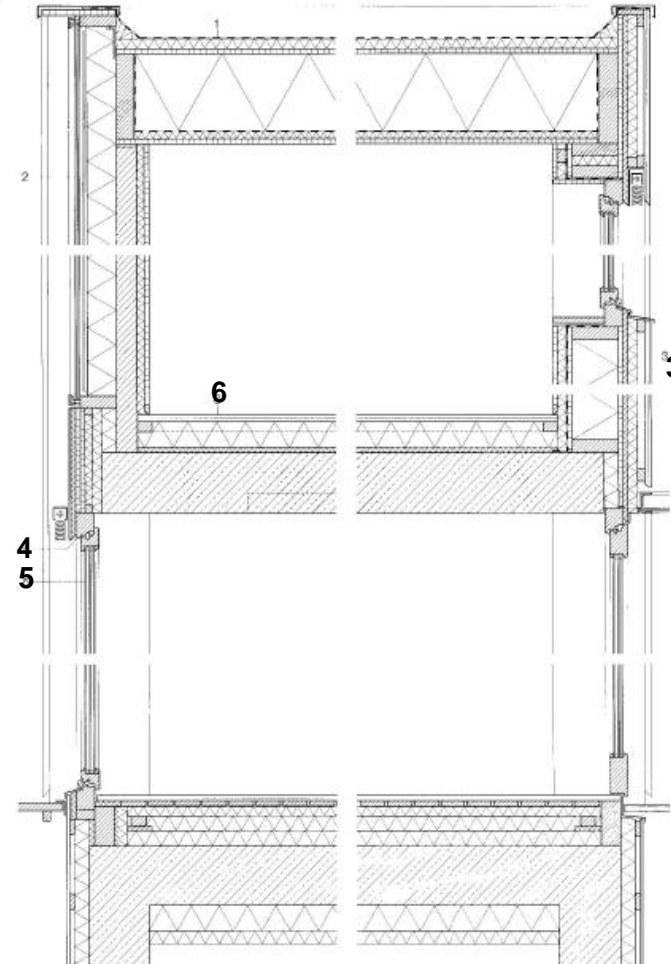
- 24 mm larch cladding
- 30/50 mm horizontal battens
- 40 mm cork insulation
- 20 mm bituminous soft board
- 18 mm three-layered wood panel
- 180 mm cellulose insulation
- 20 mm three-layered wood panel
- vapour barrier
- 40 mm foam insulation
- 18 mm cement-bonded particleboard

4. Window frame: larch, insulated, cover of sheet

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Architecture: Walter Unterrainer

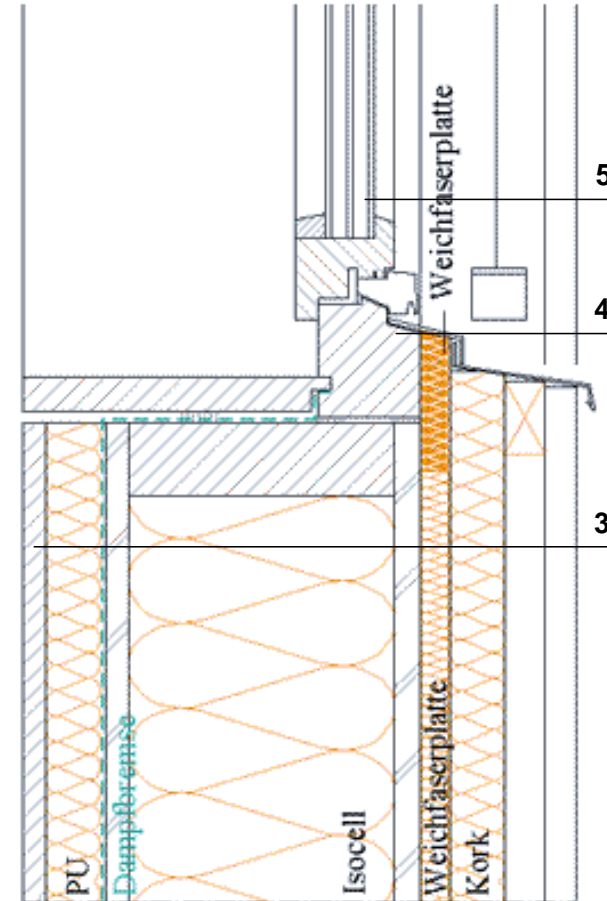
Detail: Section wall - window

3. Prefabricated timber wall construction, north

- 24 mm Larch cladding
- 30/50 mm Horizontal battens
- 40 mm Cork insulation
- 20 mm Bituminous soft board
- 18 mm three-layered wood panel
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- 40 mm foam insulation
- 18 mm Cement-bonded particleboard

4. Window frame: larch, insulated, cover of sheet

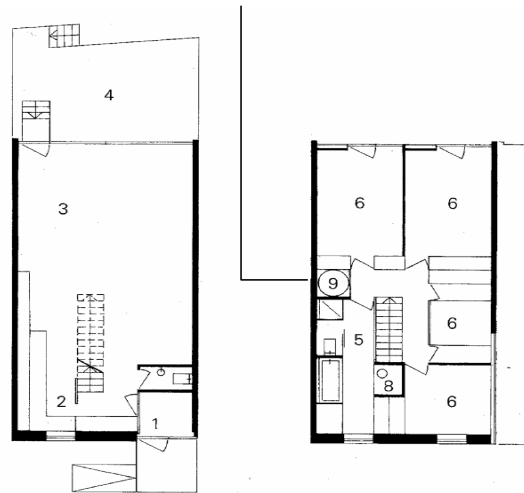
5. triple thermal protective glazing with thermal interconnection



Source: Plan: Architect Walter Unterrainer

Row houses Batschuns, Zwischenwasser (AT) Energy concept - Ventilation system

- The comfort ventilation unit is integrated into the bathroom (8)
- Out- and inlet nozzles of the ventilation (left: outlet, right: inlet)
- Domestic hot water (DHW) storage tank, 500 l (9)



- 1 Eingang
- 2 Küche
- 3 Essen / Wohnen
- 4 Terrasse
- 5 Bad
- 6 Zimmer
- 8 Lüftung
- 9 Wasserspeicher



Source:

Row houses Batschuns, Zwischenwasser (AT)

Architecture: Walter Unterrainer

Building concept - Solar façade + DHW

- The southern façade is completely used for active and passive solar energy.
- Large “super-windows”
- Half of the solar collectors (6 m²) in the façade (also absorb sun reflection of the snow in winter)



+ 6 m² of flat plate solar collectors on the roof support the domestic hot water production of the compact unit (ventilation heat exchanger and small heat pump).
Sun protection with outside awnings and Venetian blinds

Source:

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Row houses Falkenweg / Dornbirn (AT) 2002

Architecture:

Johannes Kaufmann
Sägerstraße 4
A 6850 Dornbirn, Austria
www.jkarch.at

Row houses Falkenweg, Dornbirn (AT) Architectural concept

Architecture: Johannes Kaufmann



- 9 houses, each with 86 m²
- 1 community unit
- Compact form
- Solar oriented
- Low income housing
- 14,2 kWh/m²a heating energy demand
- € 1,585.-/m² construction costs



Source: Fotos: Icnatio Martinez

Row houses Falkenweg, Dornbirn (AT) Architectural concept

Architecture: Johannes Kaufmann



View north-west

Special features:

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- Prefabrication,
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- Ecology.

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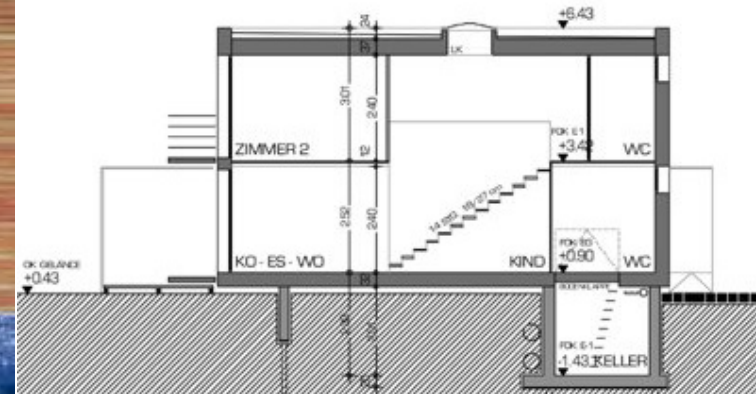
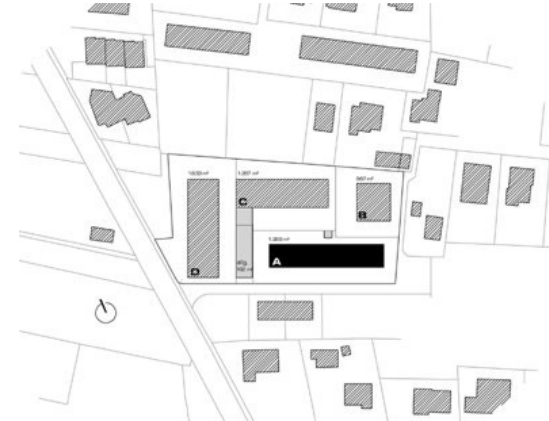
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Row houses Falkenweg, Dornbirn (AT)

Architecture: Johannes Kaufmann

Architectural concept - View east / Site plan / Section



Source: Photo: Icnatio Martinez

Johannes Kaufmann

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RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS Terraced / Row Houses

Row houses Falkenweg, Dornbirn (AT)

Architecture: Johannes Kaufmann

Architectural concept - View south-east



Planning time: 12/2001 – 06/2002

Construction time: 07/2002 – 10/2002

Source: xxx

Row houses Falkenweg, Dornbirn (AT)

Architecture: Johannes Kaufmann

Architectural concept - Floor plans



upper floor



ground floor

- ventilation system
- de-central heat exchangers
- central (small) heating unit with wood pellets

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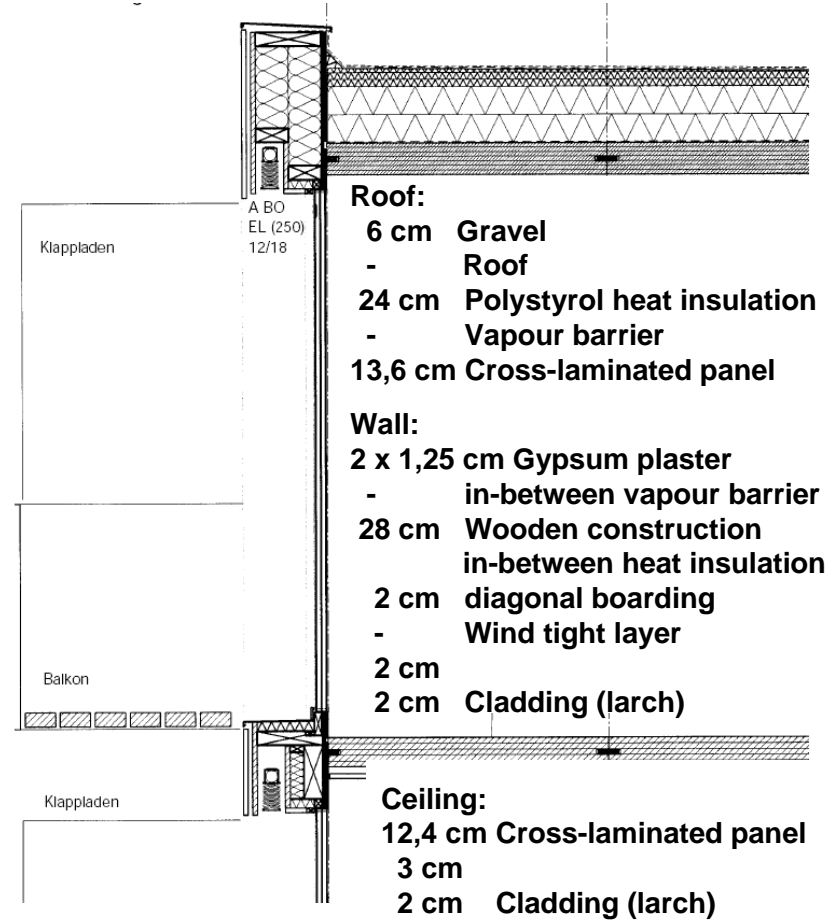
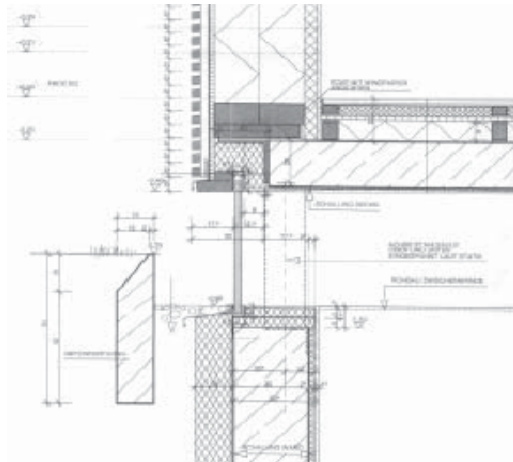
Row houses Falkenweg, Dornbirn (AT)

Architecture: Johannes Kaufmann

Building concept

Details: Sections

- Cross-laminated panels
- Party walls (REI 60)
- Sloped heat insulation on the flat roof



Source: Mikado 5/2003

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Row houses Falkenweg, Dornbirn (AT)

Architecture: Johannes Kaufmann

Building concept



Construction phase and final interior



Source: Photos: Macel Bachmann, www.proholz.at/holzistgenial/2006/energiesparend.htm (11.06.2008 23:45)

Row houses Falkenweg, Dornbirn (AT)

Architecture: Johannes Kaufmann

Building concept



Air-tight connection of
the elements with
rubber seals

Source:

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Architecture: Johannes Kaufmann

Building concept

View south-west

This picture from 2007 shows the wooden cladding in the desired silver-brown colouring.



Source:

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Row houses Falkenweg, Dornbirn (AT)

Architecture: Johannes Kaufmann

Building concept

View south

The technical service room and the community room upstairs.

The weather-exposed surfaces have a very even coloration. It will become more silver in the next few years.



Source:

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Row houses Patriasdorf / Lienz (AT) 2003 - 2008

Architecture:

Peter Jungmann

Alleestrasse 22

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und Reinhold Suntinger

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A 9833 Rangersdorf, Austria

www.suntinger.net

Row houses Patriasdorf, Lienz (AT) Architecture: Peter Jungmann / Reinhold Suntinger

Architectural concept



The 17 terraced houses and the small housing complex with 6 units were built in several building phases Lasting to the end of 2003 outside of the city of Lienz in a green location with a very nice view.

Row houses Patriasdorf, Lienz (AT)

Architecture: Peter Jungmann / Reinhold Suntinger

Architectural concept



- Heating demand (HWB/ PHPP): **8,80 kWh/m²a**
- Heating load (PHPP): **8,70 W/m²**
- Blower door n₅₀: **0,60 1/h**

Source: www.bauartgruber.at/wa_patriasdorf/freie_typen/freie_typen.html

Row houses Patriasdorf, Lienz (AT) Architectural concept

Architecture: Peter Jungmann / Reinhold Suntinger



The computer simulations show a compact simple solid construction, optically influenced by larchwood siding and the exterior standing concrete frame on the south side.

Source: xxx

Row houses Patriasdorf, Lienz (AT) Architecture: Peter Jungmann / Reinhold Suntinger
Architectural concept



The concrete frames serve as a shading for the large south side glazing and for balconies. The terrace part is car port and roof for the entrance.



The (cold) concrete construction is separated from the warm box of the house.

Source:

Row houses Patriasdorf, Lienz (AT)

Architectural concept

Architecture: Peter Jungmann / Reinhold Suntinger



Source:

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Architecture: Peter Jungmann / Reinhold Suntinger

Architectural concept

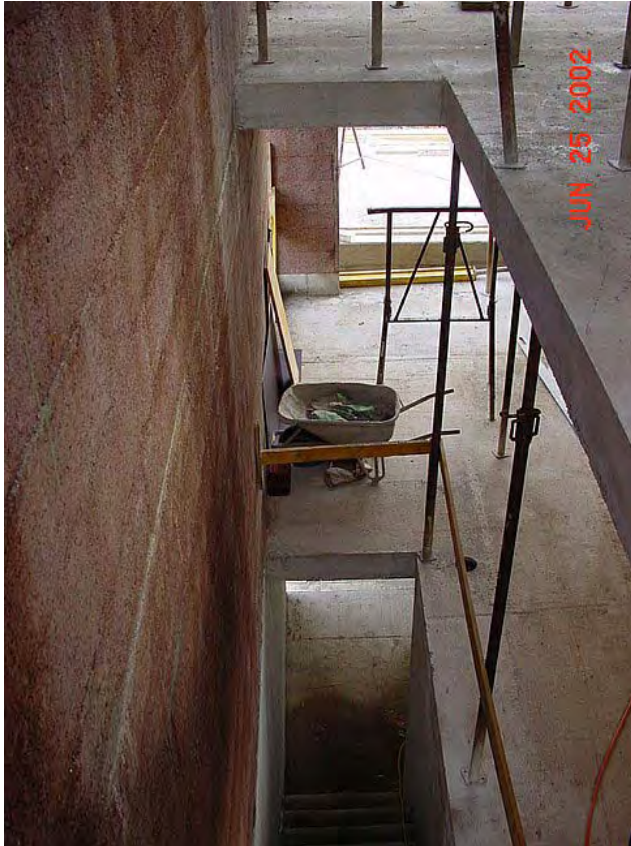


- 3 pane glazing for passive solar gains.
- The marginal residual heating demand of the row houses and flats will be furnished by high-effective air ventilation systems with heat recovery and integrated midget heat pumps.
- On expectional cold days an electric supplementary heating system will be arranged.
- The midget heat pumps inside the ventiaition-combination systems additionally prepare hot water.

Source:

Row houses Patriasdorf, Lienz (AT) Architecture: Peter Jungmann / Reinhold Suntinger

Building concept - Construction



The wall construction is made from hollow bricks with integrated heat insulation and additional heat insulation outside.



Source: Foto: Architekturwerkstatt Lienz

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Row houses Patriasdorf, Lienz (AT) Building concept

Architecture: Peter Jungmann / Reinhold Suntinger



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Row houses Patriasdorf, Lienz (AT)

Architecture: Peter Jungmann / Reinhold Suntinger

Building concept



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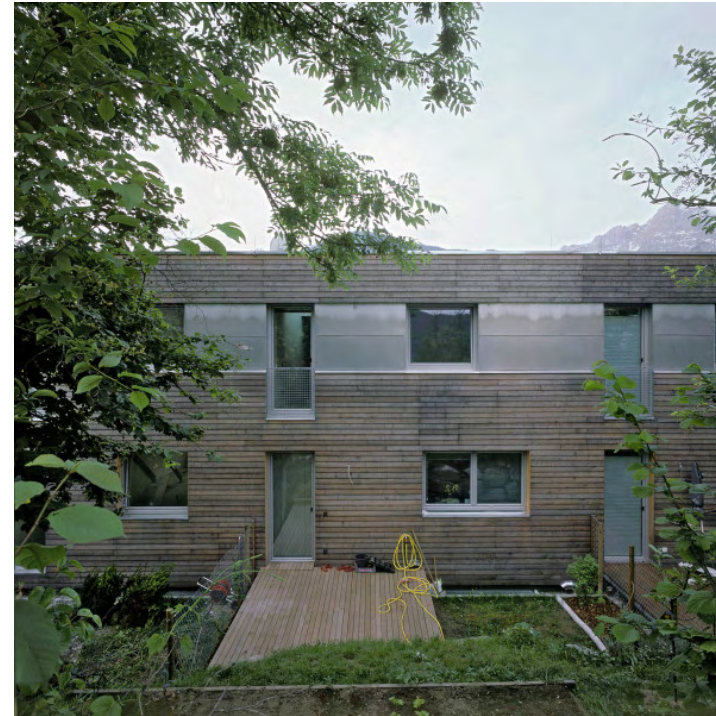
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Row houses Patriasdorf, Lienz (AT)

Architecture: Peter Jungmann / Reinhold Suntinger

Architectural concept



Source: www.architekt-suntinger.at/projekte/wohnen/24-wohnhaus-arch-suntinger-passivhauswohnanlage-patriasdorf.html (2008-06-13, 00:30)

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Architecture: Peter Jungmann / Reinhold Suntinger

Architectural concept



Source:

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Row houses Patriasdorf, Lienz (AT)

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Architectural concept



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Architectural concept



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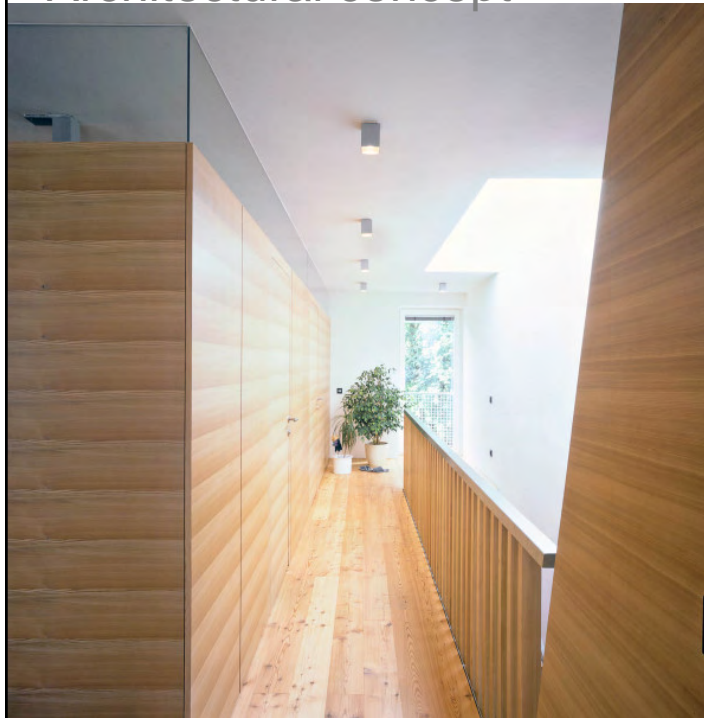
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Row houses Patriasdorf, Lienz (AT)

Architecture: Peter Jungmann / Reinhold Suntinger

Architectural concept



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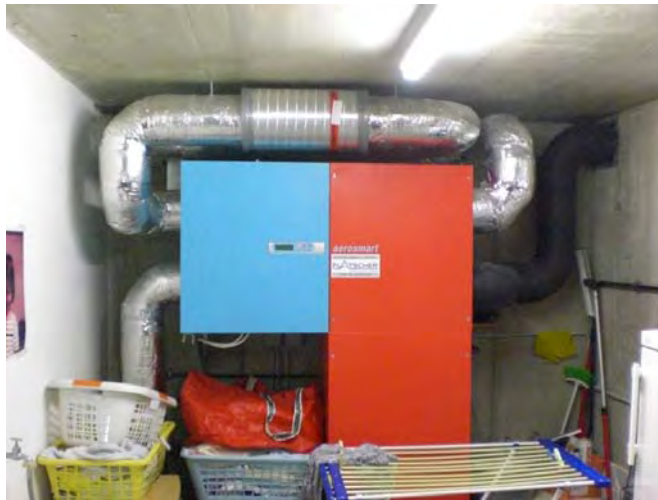
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Row houses Patriasdorf, Lienz (AT)

Architecture: Peter Jungmann / Reinhold Suntinger

Building concept



Source:

Row houses Patriasdorf, Lienz (AT) Architecture: Peter Jungmann / Reinhold Suntinger
Building concept



Source:

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“Plus Energy” Row Houses Ziegelgasse
Weiz (AT), 2002 - 2006

Architecture:

Erwin Kaltenegger

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A 8162, Passail, Austria

www.dike.at

“Plus Energy” Row Houses, Weiz (A)

Architecture: Erwin Kaltenegger

Architectural concept



- Oriented to the sun
- Compact volume, less outside surface
- PV panels are also used for summer sun protection.

First building 2002, house 1 and 2

(It is intended to have an even greying of the outside surface).

Source: Fotos: Harald Eisenberger

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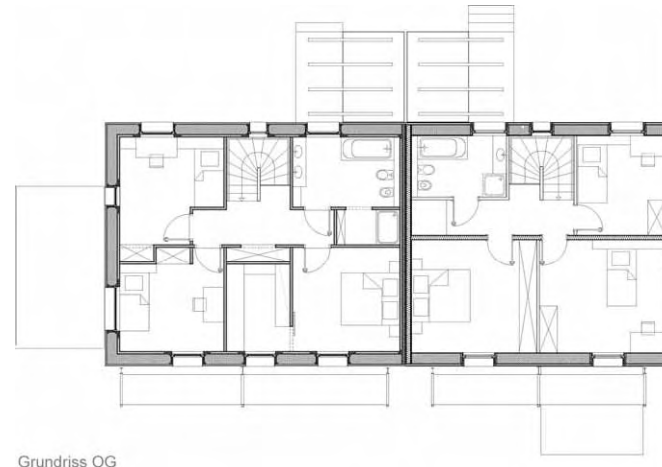
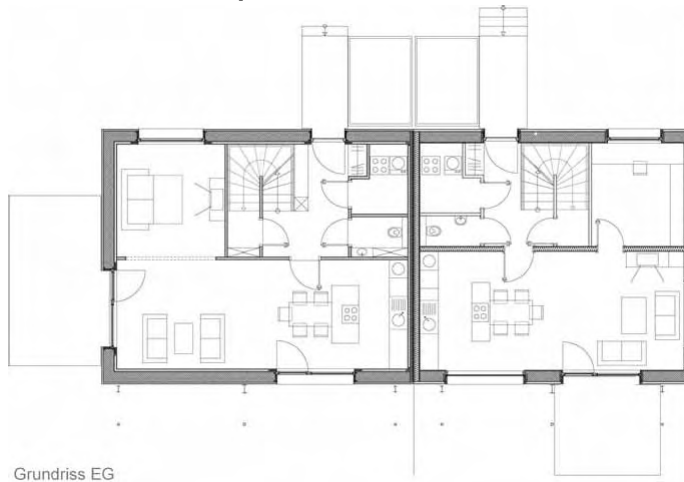
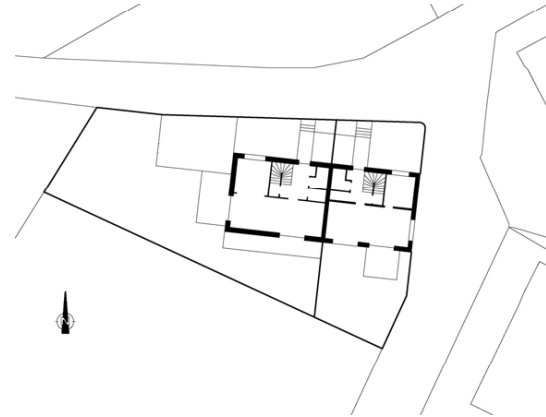
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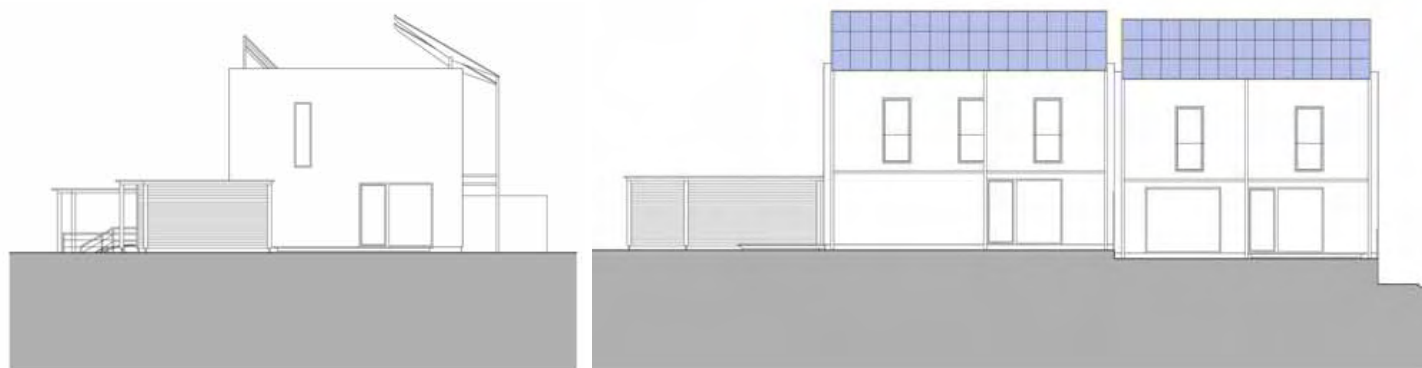
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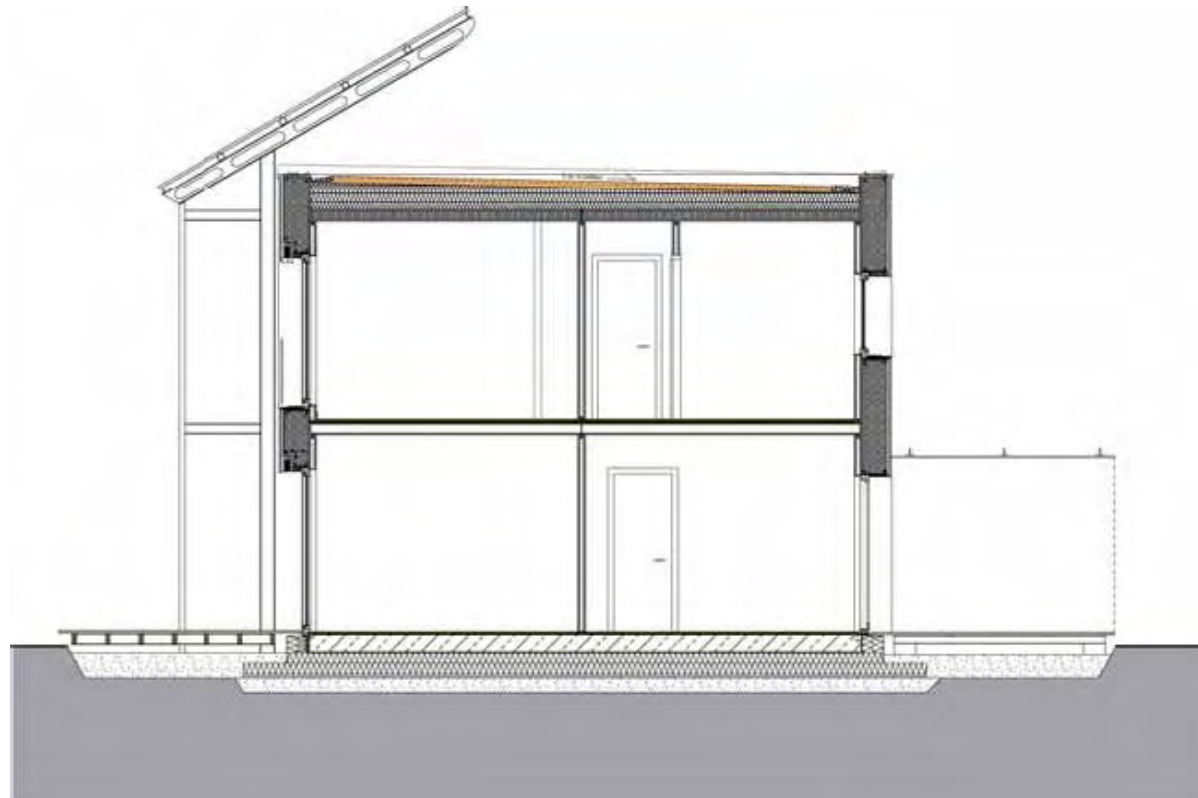
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Architectural and construction concept

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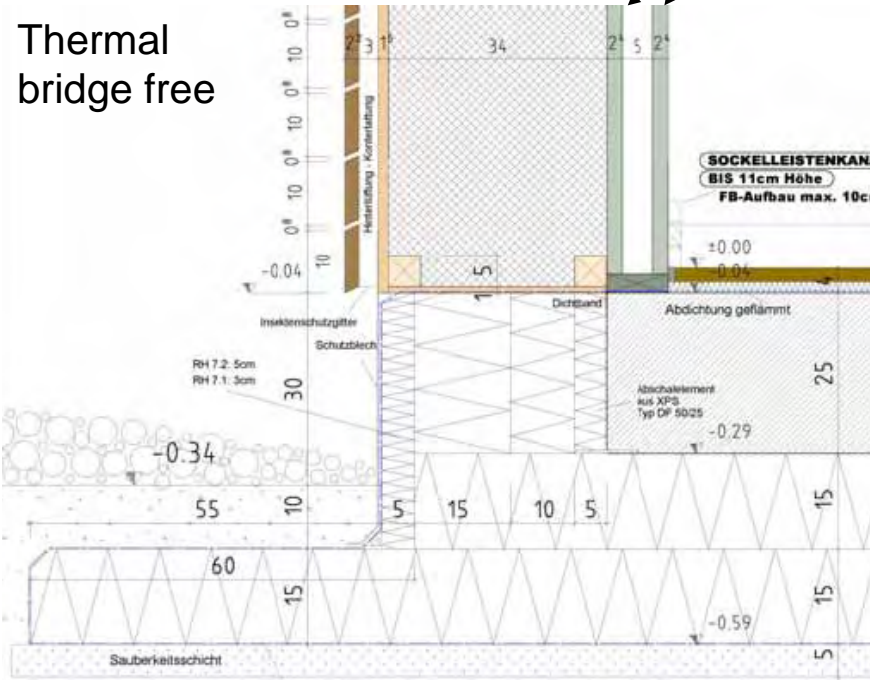
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Architecture: Erwin Kaltenegger

Detail: Floor slab / Outside wall

Load carrying panels

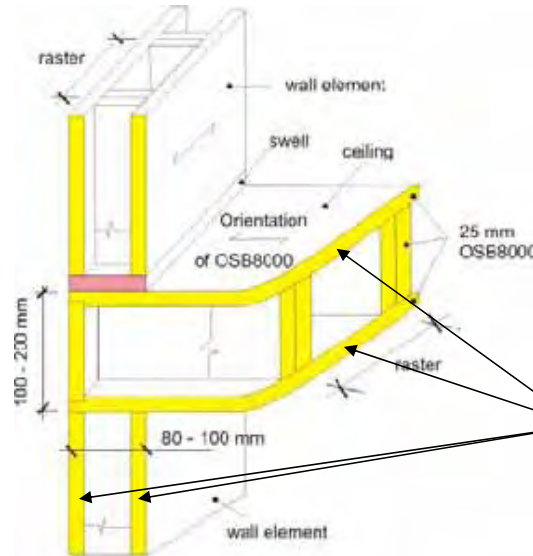


- Flooring boards
- Impact noise insulation
- Concrete floor slab
- Heat insulation

Source: TANNOMEETS GEMINI, Architekturbüro Kaltenegger

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A very strong panel (oriented strand board 8000) was developed at the Graz University of Technology



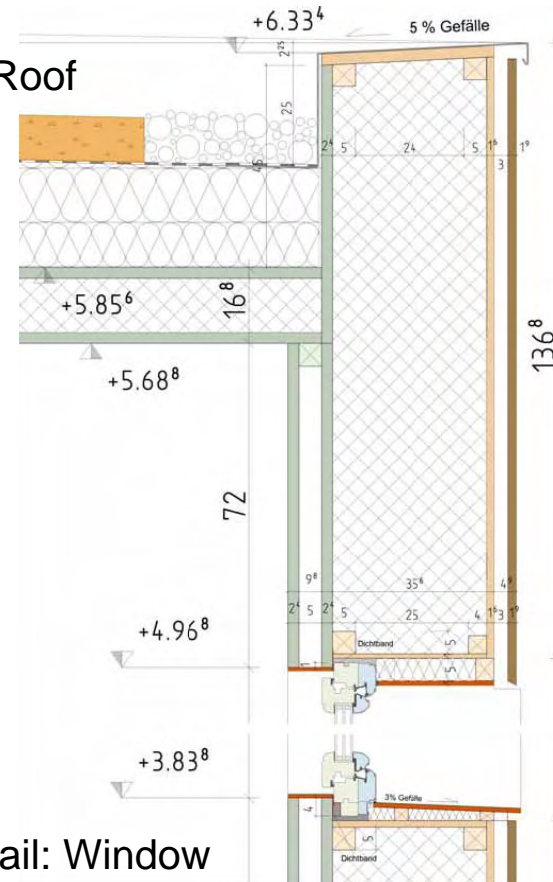
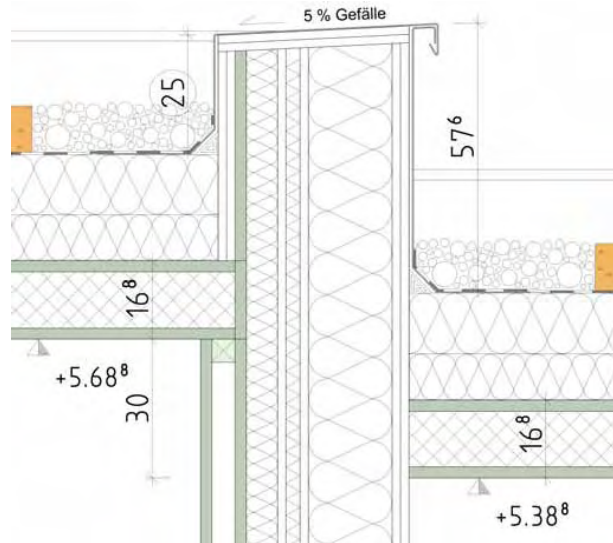
The load carrying structure consists of two of these panels. The ribs outside brace the element (buckling). The heat insulation is in-between and the façade boards are fixed outside.

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Building concept / Construction

Detail: Outside wall / Roof

Detail: Party wall / Roof



Detail: Window

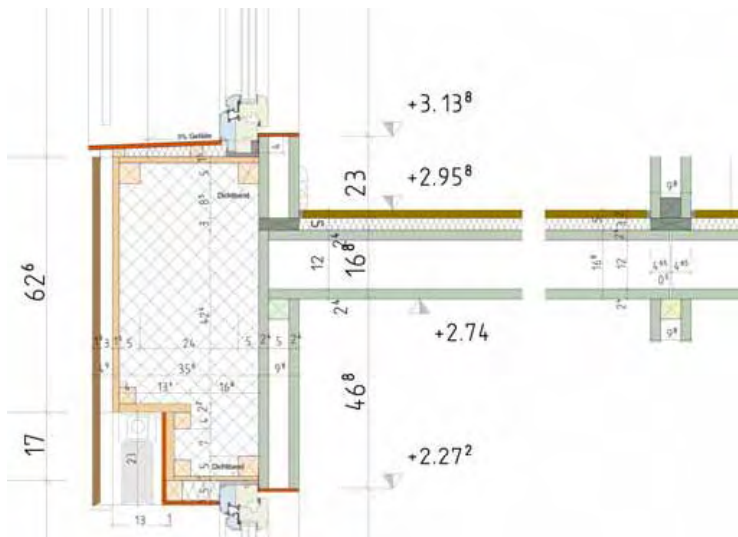
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Building concept / Construction

Architecture: Erwin Kaltenegger

Detail: Outside wall / Windows / Ceiling

Detail: Entrance door



Source: TANNomeetsGEMINI, Architekturbüro Kaltenegger

“Plus energy” Row Houses, Weiz (A)

Architecture: Erwin Kaltenegger

Construction – House 1



Building the floor slab on the heat insulation



Mounting of the prefabricated walls, the ceiling and the roof elements (OSB 8000)

Source: TANNomeetsGEMINI, Architekturbüro Kaltenegger

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“Plus energy” Row Houses, Weiz (A)

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Construction – House 1



Mounting of the outside ribs

The inside walls and the stairs are made of the same material



Source: TANNMeetsGEMINI, Architekturbüro Kaltenegger

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“Plus energy” Row Houses, Weiz (A)

Architecture: Erwin Kaltenegger

Construction – House 2



Mounting of the “normal” prefabricated light-weight construction elements (walls, ceiling and roof)

“Plus energy” Row Houses, Weiz (A)

Architecture: Erwin Kaltenegger

Construction House 1 + 2



Mounting of the ventilation ducts and the installation pipes; “Blower door test”



Mounting of the wind-tight layer, of the substructure for the ventilated cladding and of the cladding

Source: TANNomeetsGEMINI, Architekturbüro Kaltenegger

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“Plus energy” Row Houses, Weiz (A)

Architecture: Erwin Kaltenegger

Construction House 1 + 2



Mounting of the wooden cladding



Positioning of the storage container and of the air inlet for the ventilation system; mounting of the entrance stairs

Source: TANNomeetsGEMINI, Architekturbüro Kaltenegger

“Plus energy” Row Houses, Weiz (A) Construction House 1 + 2

Architecture: Erwin Kaltenegger



Mounting of the substructure of the PV panels



The efficiency of the PV power production system depends on the electricity tariff of the local provider

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“Plus energy” Row Houses, Weiz (AT)

Architecture: Erwin Kaltenegger

Interior



Living area



Source: Architekturbüro Kaltenegger

“Plus energy” Row Houses, Weiz (AT)

Architecture: Erwin Kaltenegger

Architectural (and economical) concept – Phase 2

- Northern façade with small windows
- (cold) storage “Containers” mark the entrance



For reasons of economy there is no basement.
A heating room is not necessary.

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Energy concept



On an annual basis these houses produce more energy than they consume due to the PH-Standard + solar PV panels.

EUROSOLAR - Prize 2007



Source: Erwin Kaltenegger

“Plus Energy” Row Houses, Weiz (A)

Architecture: Erwin Kaltenegger

Construction – Phase 2

The second part of the estate is even built with prefabricated elements.



Source: Erwin Kaltenegger

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Architecture: Erwin Kaltenegger

Construction

Mounting of the ventilation ducts
and of the air-tight sealing



Source: Ernst Heiduk

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RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS Terraced / Row Houses

“Plus energy” Row Houses, Weiz (AT)

Architecture: Erwin Kaltenegger

Construction

Inside walls with electricity pipes



Source: Ernst Heiduk

“Plus energy” Row Houses, Weiz (AT) Construction



- On the outside envelope there is no penetration for wires for lights sun-blinds and PV.
- The power lines come from the floor slab and are behind the facade cover.
- The sun-blinds have motors. They are operated by a radio transmitter.

Source: Ernst Heiduk

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Architecture: Erwin Kaltenegger

Construction



Mounting of the wind-tight layer, of the substructure of the ventilated cladding and of the cladding



Source: Ernst Heiduk

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“Plus energy” Row Houses, Weiz (AT)

Architecture: Erwin Kaltenegger

Construction

Mounting of the PV panels on the substructure (metal frames)



Source: Foto left: Internorm, Foto top and right: Ernst Heiduk

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“Plus energy” Row Houses, Weiz (AT)

Architecture: Erwin Kaltenegger

Construction



Source:

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Row houses Rebgässli / Allschwil (CH)
2003 - 2004

Architecture:

Crispin Amrein und Ruth Giger

Viaduktstraße 14

CH 4051, Basel, Switzerland

www.amreingiger.ch

Row Houses Rebgässli, Allschwil (CH)

Architecture: Crispin Amrein & Ruth Giger

Special aspects of the energy/architectural concept

Architectural concept

- 2 rows with 4 and 5 houses
- The floor plans are oriented to the atrium
- An atrium gives privacy and lights up the rooms
- The park-like building site is not divided into private areas (an old orchard with various kinds of fruit trees)

Energy concept

- No orientation to the sun is necessary
- Windows in the outside wall are a bit small
- Big glazing only to the Atrium

This is possible due to:

- The glass roofed atrium
- Compact volume of the building



Source: www.amreingiger.ch/bauten/reba6.html

Row Houses Rebgässli, Allschwil (CH)

Architecture: Crispin Amrein & Ruth Giger

Energy concept

- 2-storey atrium with motor-driven glazed roof
- De-central ventilation system with comfort ventilation
- Balance heat input with air radiators to the fresh supply air
- Heating, warm water and a self-produced current by a gas-CHP (combined heat and power) unit
- Vacuum pipe solar collectors on the roof to support heating and warm water production
- No sun protection necessary



Swiss Minergie-P-Standard

SWISS SOLAR PRIZE 2005

Source: xxx

Row Houses Rebgässli, Allschwil (CH)

Architecture: Crispin Amrein & Ruth Giger

Construction: Façade – Light-weight timber framework elements



Outer wall and roof elements are prefabricated and thermally optimized

Source: xxx

Row Houses Rebgässli, Allschwil (CH)

Architecture: Crispin Amrein & Ruth Giger

Façade – Light-weight timber framework elements

-The façade is finished

- The glass roof of the atrium is raised



Source: xxx



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Row Houses Rebgässli, Allschwil (CH)

Architecture: Crispin Amrein & Ruth Giger

Façade – Light-weight timber framework elements



Source:



Row Houses Rebgässli, Allschwil (CH)

Architecture: Crispin Amrein & Ruth Giger

Façade – Light-weight timber framework elements

- Cladding of rough sawn fir planks
- The planks have different lacquer colours
- This effect will be lost with the aging of the wood

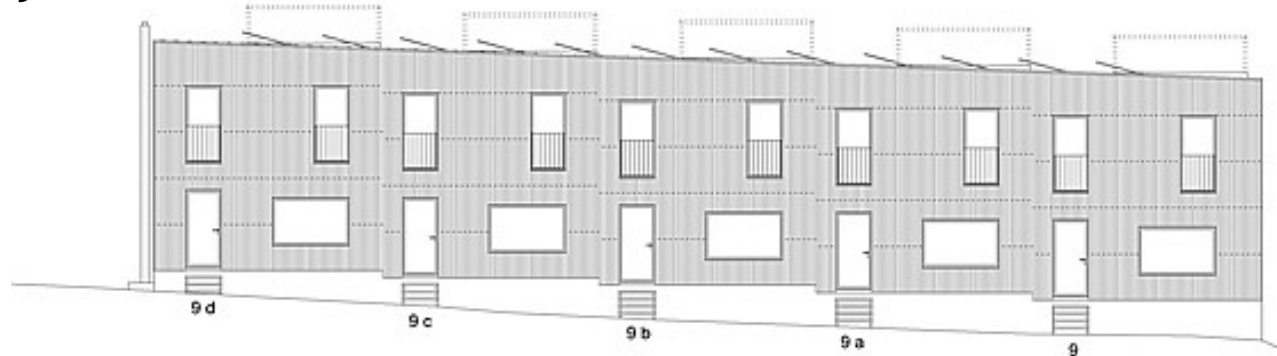


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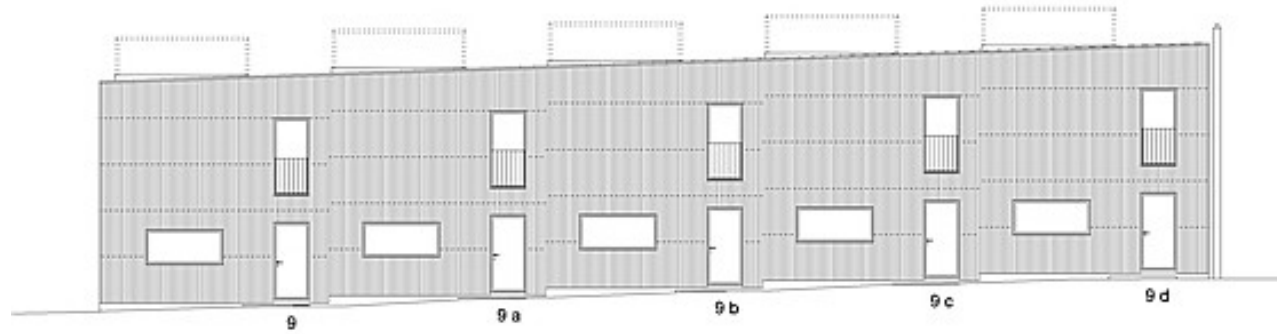
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Architecture: Crispin Amrein & Ruth Giger

Façades



Ansicht Gartenseite



Ansicht Eingangsseite



The building is adjusted to the natural terrain

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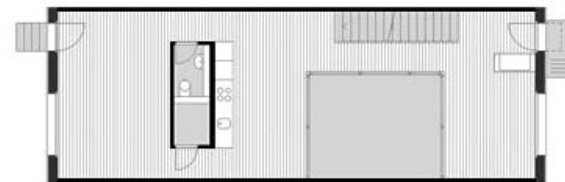
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Row Houses Rebgässli, Allschwil (CH) Outside / Inside (Atrium)

Architecture: Crispin Amrein & Ruth Giger



Upper floor



Ground floor

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No private areas around the houses

Source: www.amreingiger.ch/bauten/reba1.html

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Row Houses Rebgässli, Allschwil (CH)

Architecture: Crispin Amrein & Ruth Giger

Atrium

- For most of the year the atrium can be part of the living area



- In winter the atrium is a „cold“ buffer room (un-heated!!!)

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Row Houses Rebgässli, Allschwil (CH) Atrium

Architecture: Crispin Amrein & Ruth Giger



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Row Houses Rebgässli, Allschwil (CH)
Atrium

Architecture: Crispin Amrein & Ruth Giger



- the atrium is enclosed with a glass roof
- a part of the glass roof can be raised (motor-driven)

Source: www.amreingiger.ch/bauten/reba3.html, (2008-11-05, 19:25)

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Row houses Röchlig, Stein (CH) 2006

Architecture:

René Birri & Partner,

Blumenweg 1

CH - 4332 Stein, Switzerland

www.birri.ch

Row Houses Rüchlig, Stein (CH)

Architecture: Rene Birri & Partner

Architectural concept

Western view and ventilation Pipe (lower left corner)



- Special features of the buildings:
 - Architectural quality and Sustainability,
 - Energy efficiency and Ecology,
 - Economy and Construction with prefabricated boxes.

Row Houses Rüchlig, Stein (CH)

Site plan



Western view

Swiss Minergie-P-Standard



- The estate Rüchlig in Stein (CH) consists of 15 row houses.
- 13 of the houses face the west.
- The car shelters are used as a noise barrier to the street.

Row Houses Rüchling, Stein (CH)

Architecture: Rene Birri & Partner

Building concept

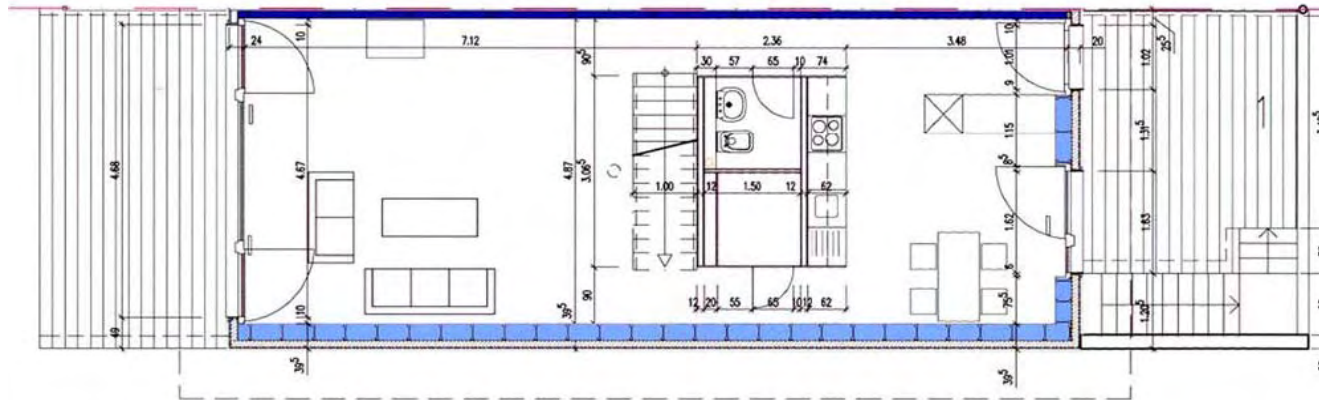
- The houses consist of completely prefabricated boxes.
(4 houses are built in 4 days)
- Units are unusually long in relation to the window area
(natural lighting)



Source: Tagungsband 6. Europäischer Passivhaustagung, FHBB pages 249-252

Row Houses Rüchlig, Stein (CH)

Ground floor plan (of a final house)



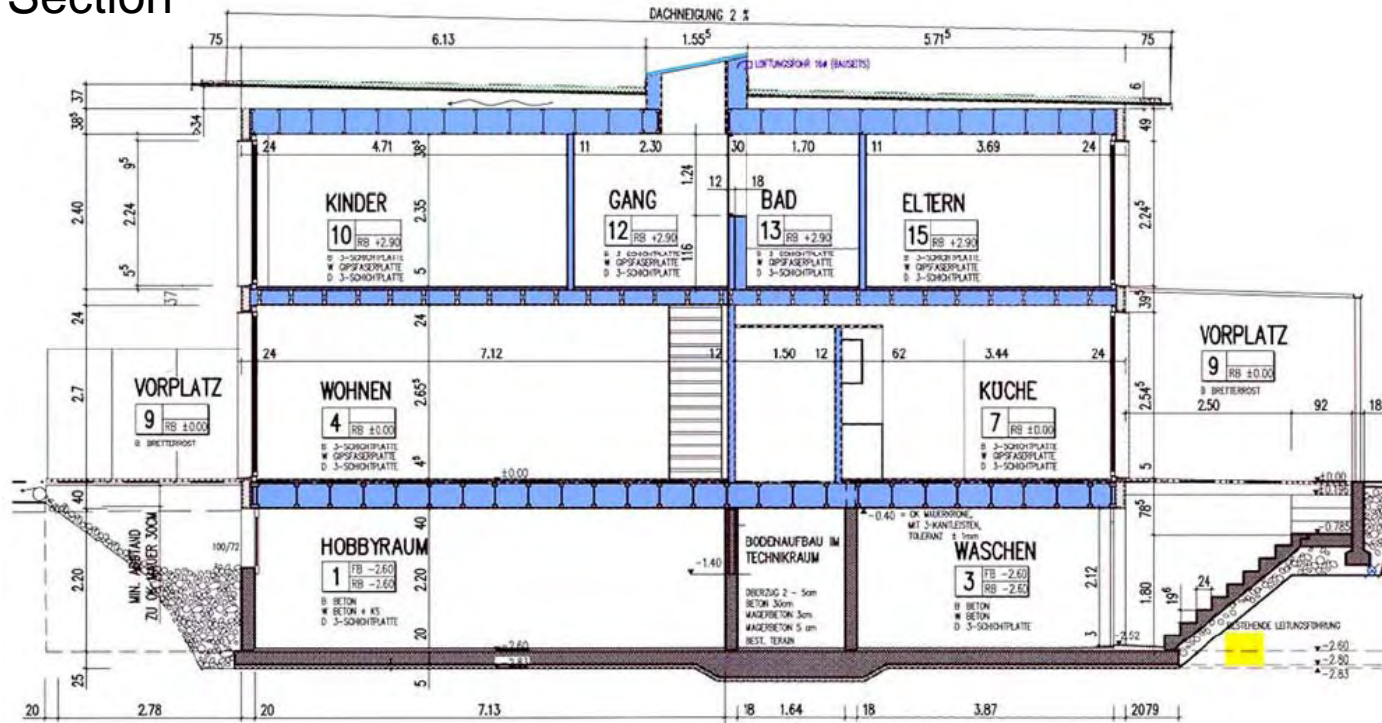
- The construction modules are Boxes with a width of 5,20 m and a length of 13,40 m.

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Row Houses Rüchlig, Stein (CH)

Architecture: Rene Birri & Partner

Section



- The height of 2,65 m in the ground floor and a skylight of 1,2 x 3,0 m over the stairs lights up the central parts of the boxes.

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Row Houses Rüchlig, Stein (CH)

Architecture: Rene Birri & Partner

Interior view

- Natural light from the skylight over the stairway.
- The transverse wall serves as
 - the cross bracing,
 - a pipe enclosing wall and as a
 - partition wall



Row Houses Rüchling, Stein (CH)

Bathroom with mirror and shelves

- The wooden bathroom niche has a back wall of translucent glass facing the stairway to light up the room.
- In this way the skylight over the stairs brings natural light into the bath room.
- The ventilation system ventilates the bathroom.



Row Houses Rüchlig, Stein (CH)

Architecture: Rene Birri & Partner

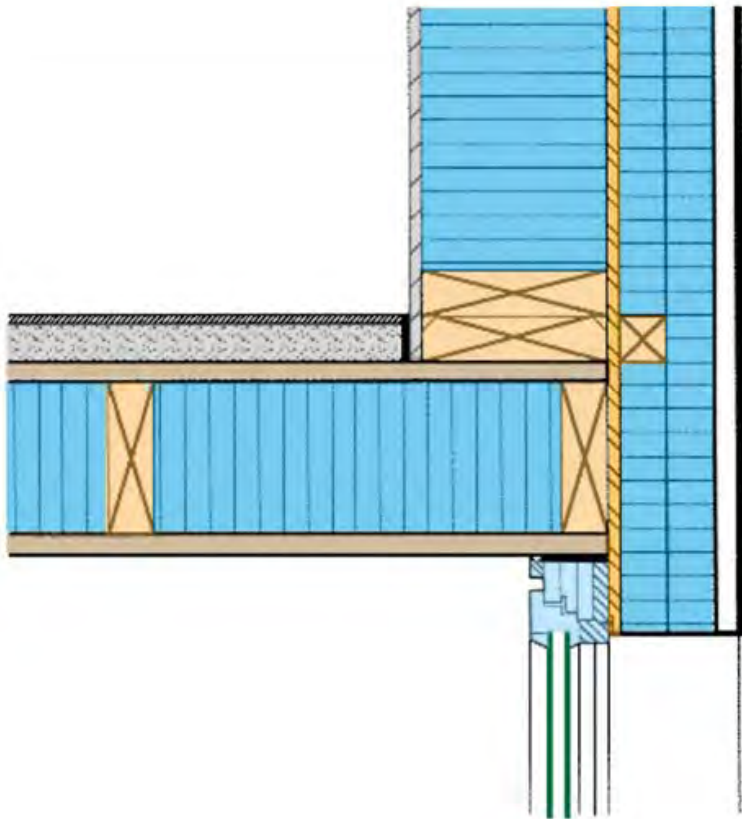
Kitchen box on the ground floor

- Kitchen, store room and lavatory are designed as stand-alone, furnished, module boxes in the interior.



Row Houses Rüchlig, Stein (CH)

Detail outside wall / ceiling / window



- The 40 cm thick building envelope is a light-weight timber framework construction.
- Thermal-bridge free connections



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Row Houses Rüchlig, Stein (CH)

Architecture: Rene Birri & Partner

Prefabrication and transport

- This yields a high quality for:
 - dimension accuracy,
 - construction and
 - air-tightness.



Abnormally wide load !!!

- All wires and pipes are built into the prefabricated components.



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Row Houses Rüchling, Stein (CH)

Architecture: Rene Birri & Partner

Sun protection and air-tightness



- On the outside envelope there is no penetration for wires.
- The sun-blinds have motors. The power lines come from the basement and are behind the facade cover.
- They are operated by a radio transmitter.

Source: Foto: www.edel-wohnen.ch/# (2007-12-30, 19:20)

Row Houses Rüchling, Stein (CH)

Architecture: Rene Birri & Partner

Windows

- High quality windows (glazing and frame)
- Frames covered by heat insulation



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Row Houses Rüchlig, Stein (CH)

Architecture: Rene Birri & Partner

Ventilation system

- Sub-soil heat exchanger with 30 m PE-pipes for pre-heating (or pre-cooling) the outside air
- Ventilation unit with highly efficient heat recovery
- Distribution of supply air with PE-pipes
- Supply air inlet slots in the floor in front of the windows
- Air outlets for ventilating the bathroom, lavatory and kitchen
- Regulation of the air volume with a 3-level switcher

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Row Houses Rüchlig, Stein (CH)

Architecture: Rene Birri & Partner

Heating and domestic hot water

- A central heat-pump (water/water) takes heat from the ground water.
- A central building control system controls and optimizes the heat distribution to the houses.
- Each house has its own hot water boiler (750 liters)
- To heat the boiler, vacuum pipe solar collectors on the roof or heat from the heat pump is used.
- For the estate only 18 KW of heat output is necessary.

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