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Off-grid solar cooling systems with ice block generation for fisheries in Indonesia

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- ▶ **Political and economical background**
 - ▶ **Indonesia** is Southeast Asia's **most important economy** (energy demand +9% p.a.).
 - ▶ It has dedicated itself to **challenging greenhouse gas emission reductions**.
 - ▶ To reach the targets energy **efficiency measures** and cost-efficient **renewable energy applications** are considered.
 - ▶ To provide technical assistance in this regard the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH and the Indonesian Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources with its Directorate General for New and Renewable Energy and Energy Conservation have implemented two projects:
 - **'Least Cost Renewables in Indonesia' (LCORE-INDO)** and
 - **'Green Chillers' for energy-efficient cooling systems and cold supply in Indonesia's industry and commerce**

▶ Implementation

- ▶ Bridging the objectives of both projects, GIZ aims to **develop and demonstrate a least-cost energy solution** for providing efficient and sustainable **cold supply** to Indonesia growing **fishing industry** on the basis of **solar photovoltaic systems (PV)** – targeting social development in un-electrified remote coastal areas.
- ▶ PV block ice generator will be implemented as a **pilot project** with a local manufacturing partner including the development of a **business model**.



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2. Current state and targets



- ▶ Energy supply for block ice machines either by island grids (Diesel supplied) or by medium sized dedicated Diesel generators.



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- ▶ Ice block transport and storage.



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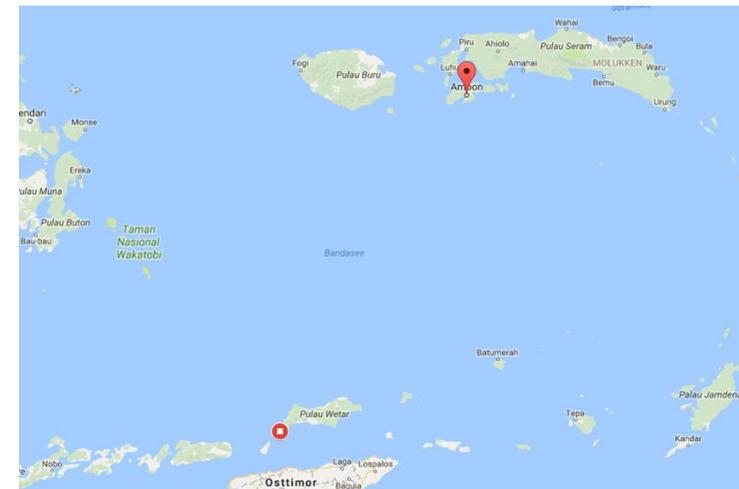
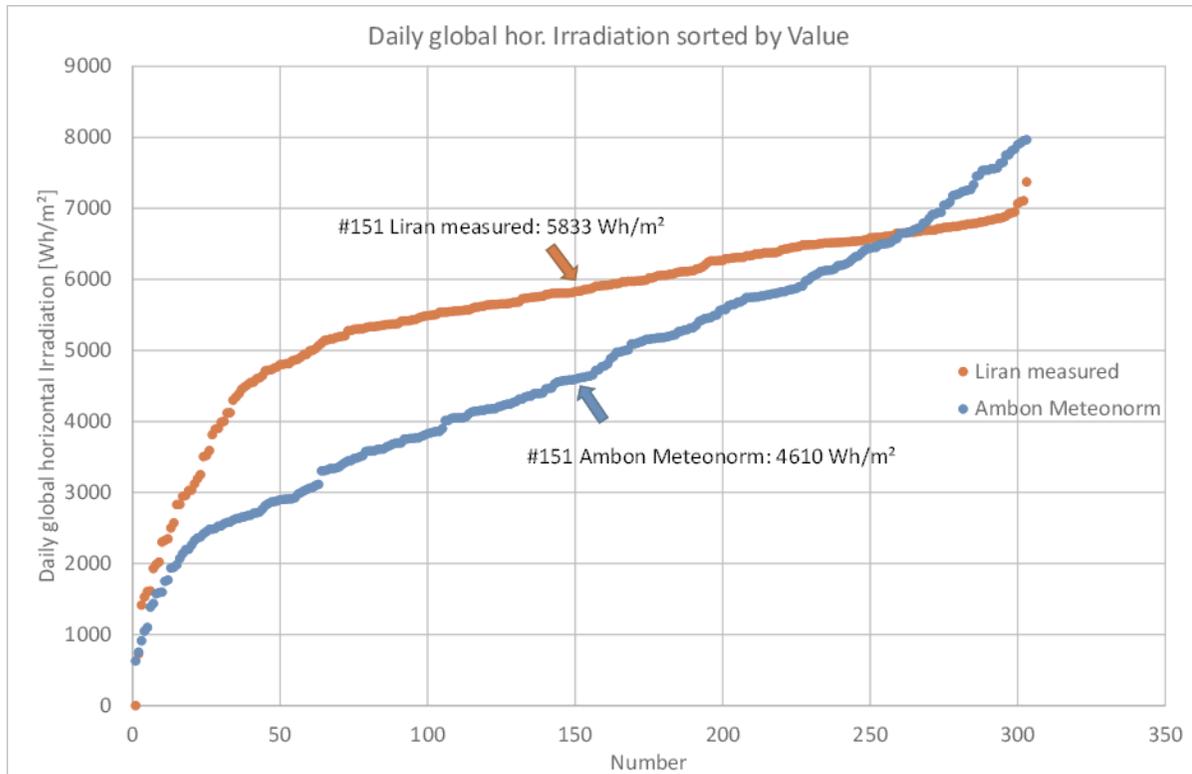
- ▶ **Design of an exclusively PV supplied block ice generator without back-up,**
- ▶ **Rated capacity of 1 ton of block ice at half of the days of a year,**
 - ▶ Analysis of irradiation conditions,
- ▶ **Minimum demand of electricity storage,**
 - ▶ Cold generation has to be synchronous to electricity (PV) supply,
 - ▶ Slow ice block growing → thermal storage required,
- ▶ **Generation of as much as possible complete ice blocks every day,**
 - ▶ Development of a block ice generator with part load capabilities.

3. Optimization of irradiation adapted cold generation



▶ Statistical analysis of available irradiation data

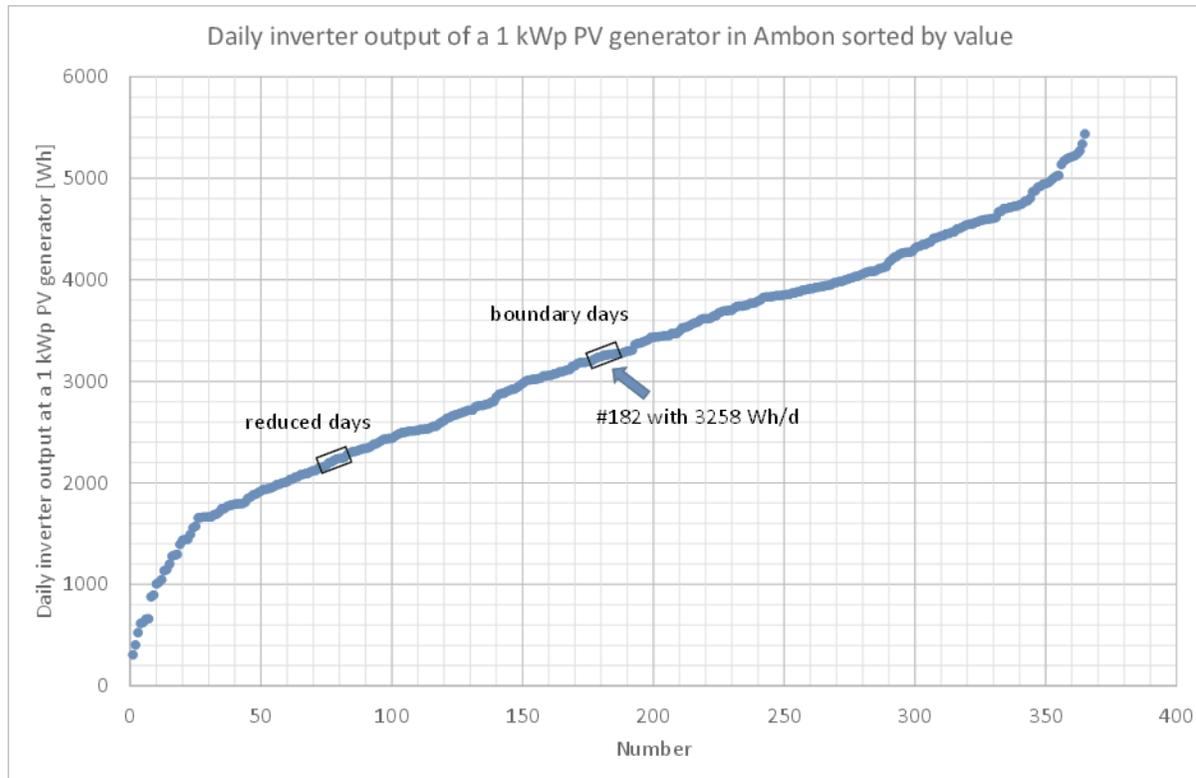
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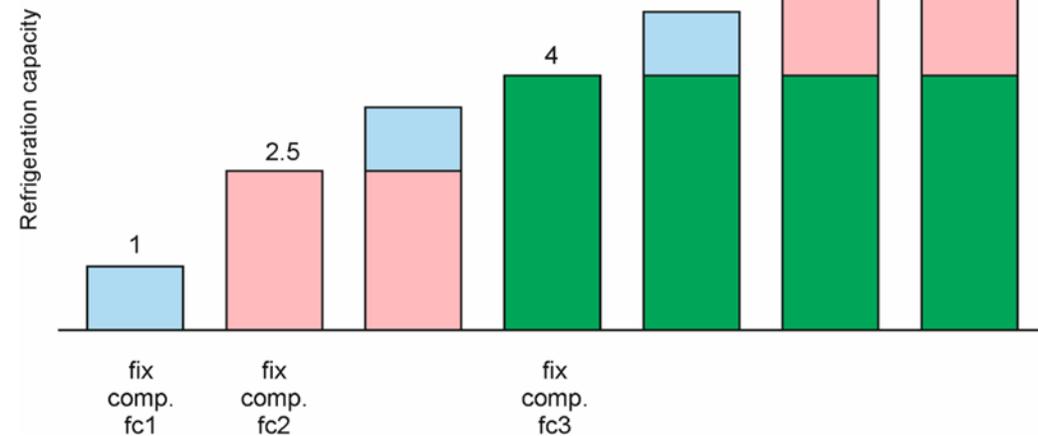
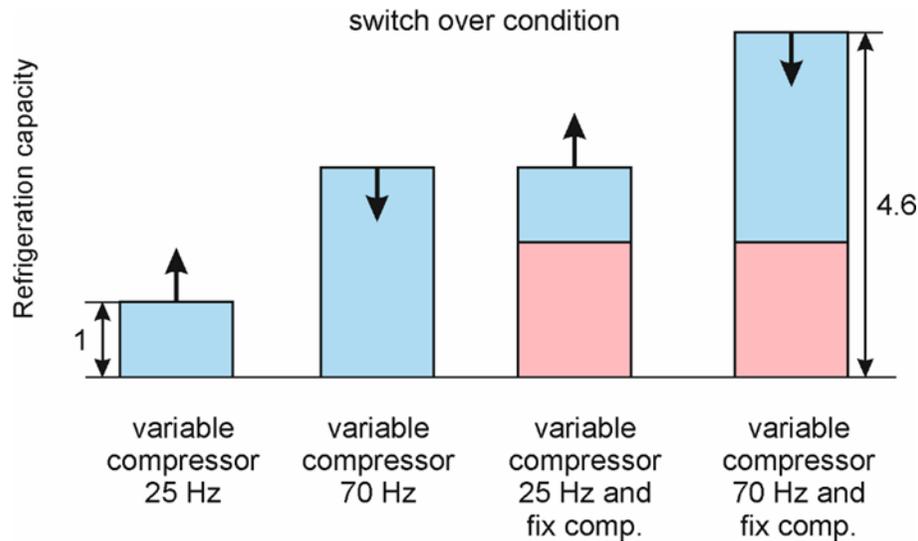
▶ Selection of representative days



3. Optimization of irradiation adapted cold generation



Options for flexibility of cold generation (examples)

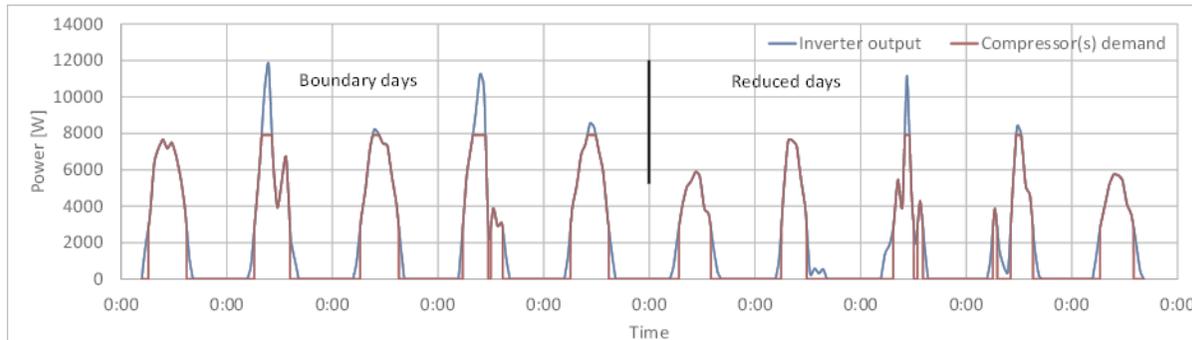


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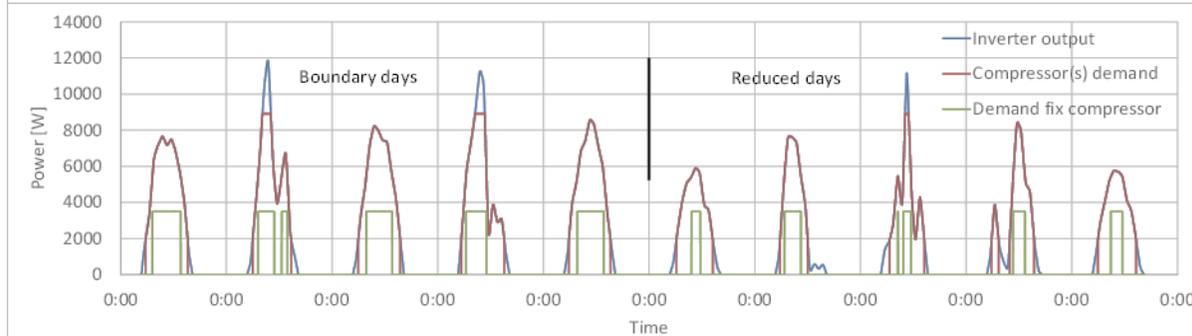


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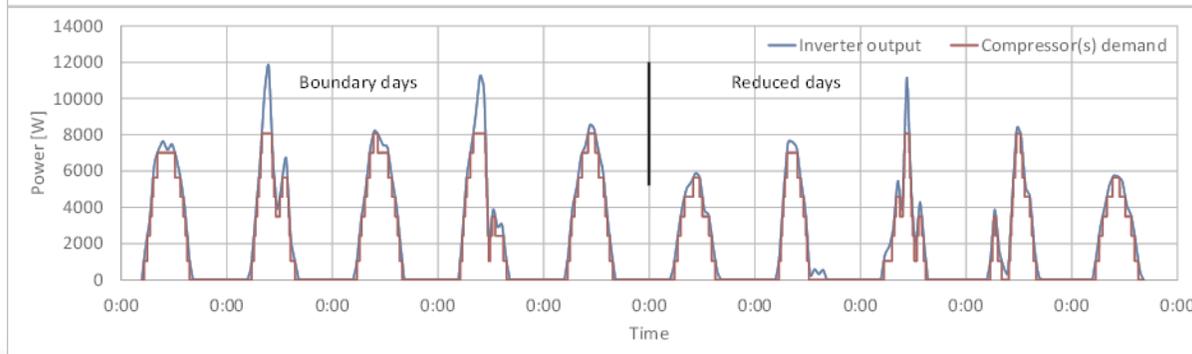
One variable compressor



One variable + on fix compressor



Three fix compressors

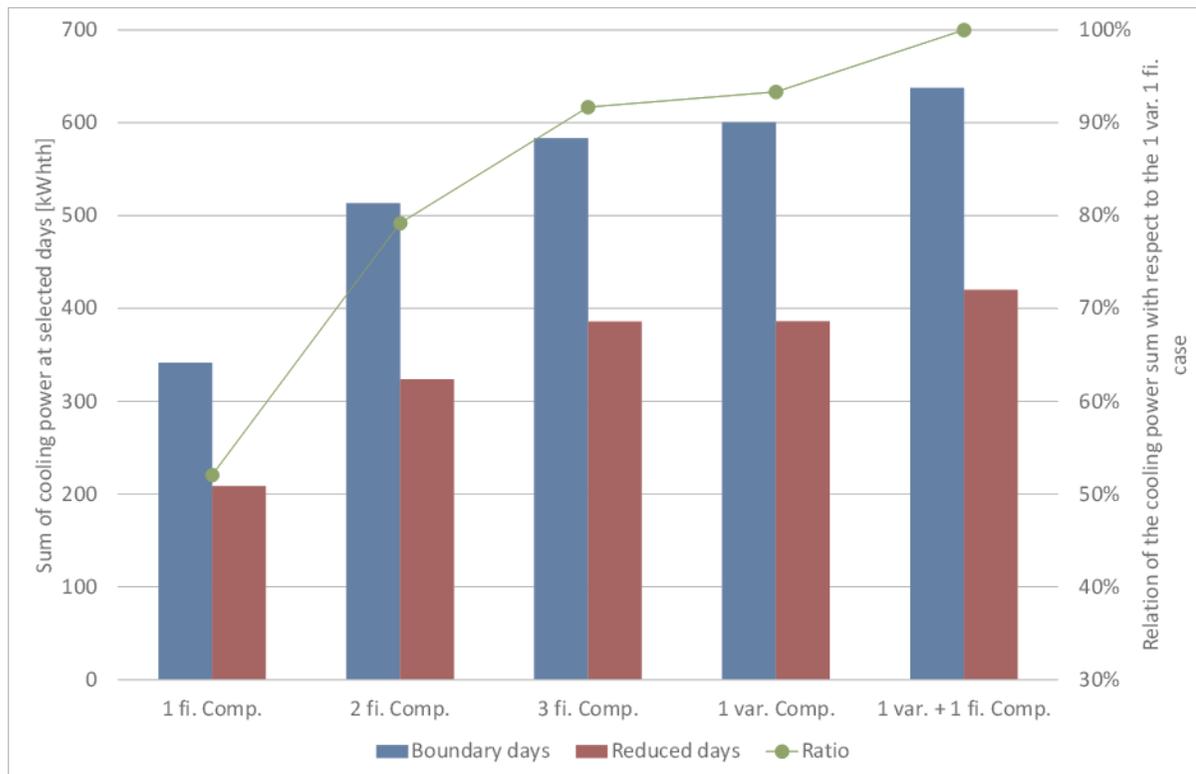


18 kWp PV generator

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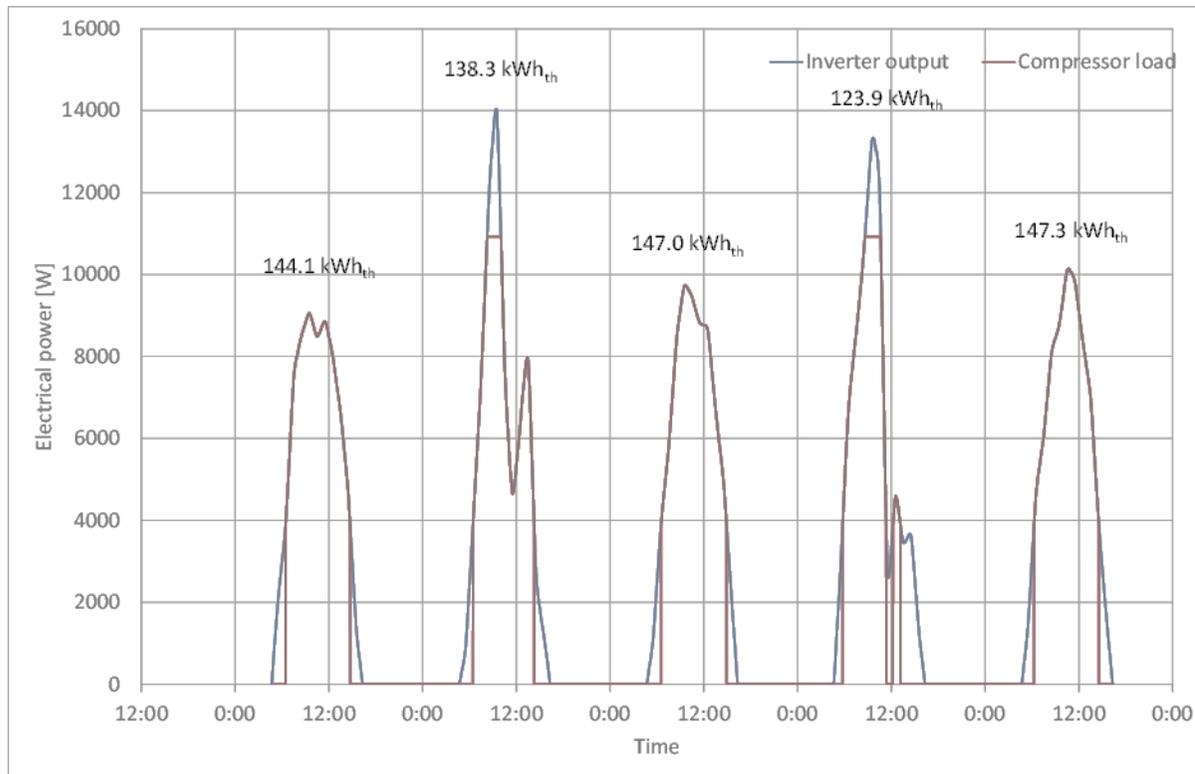


Results of optimization calculations



3. Optimization of irradiation adapted cold generation

- ▶ System design with „real“ components
- ▶ assumptions of conditions in the refrigeration cycle → five days cooling demand: 700 kWh_{th}



180 days/a: 1000kg ice requirement
fulfilled regarding cooling capacity

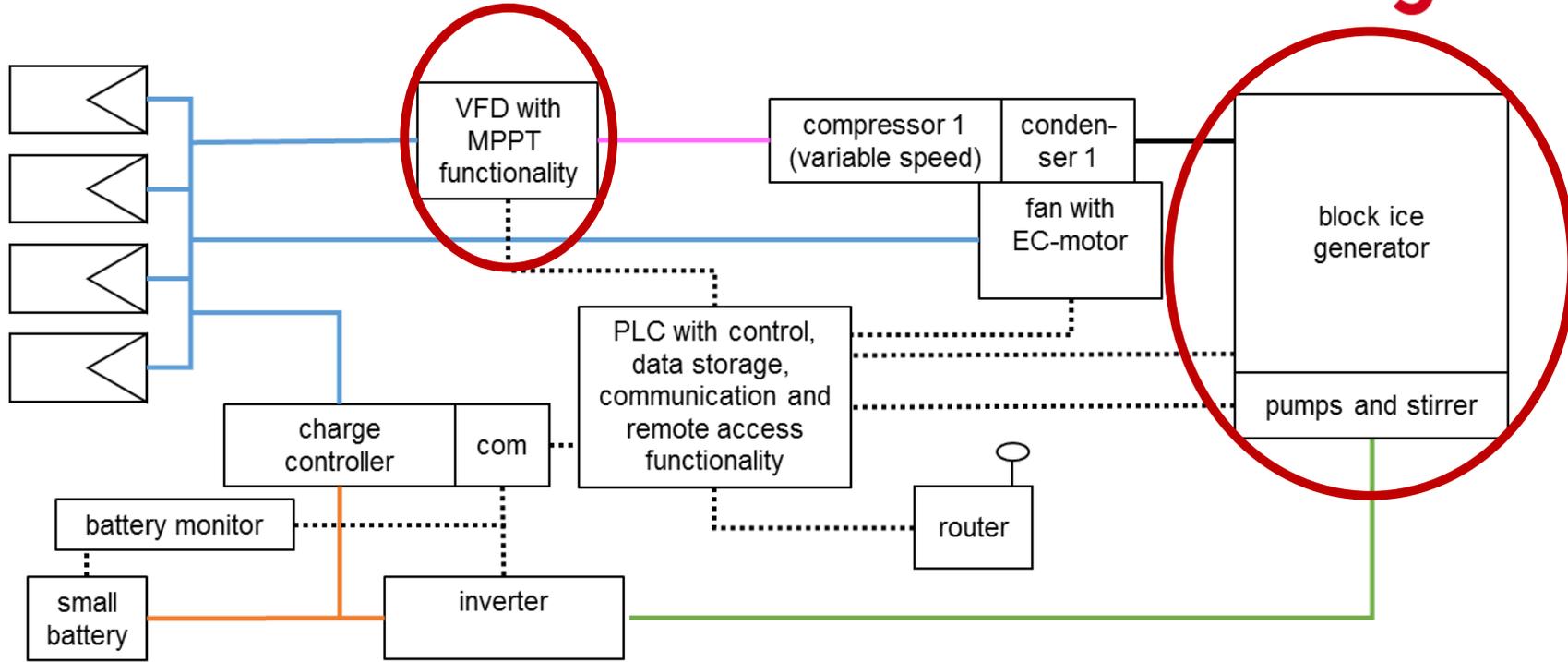


One certain variable speed compressor (Bitzer, R290), 21.3 kWp

4. General system design



System design with „real“ components

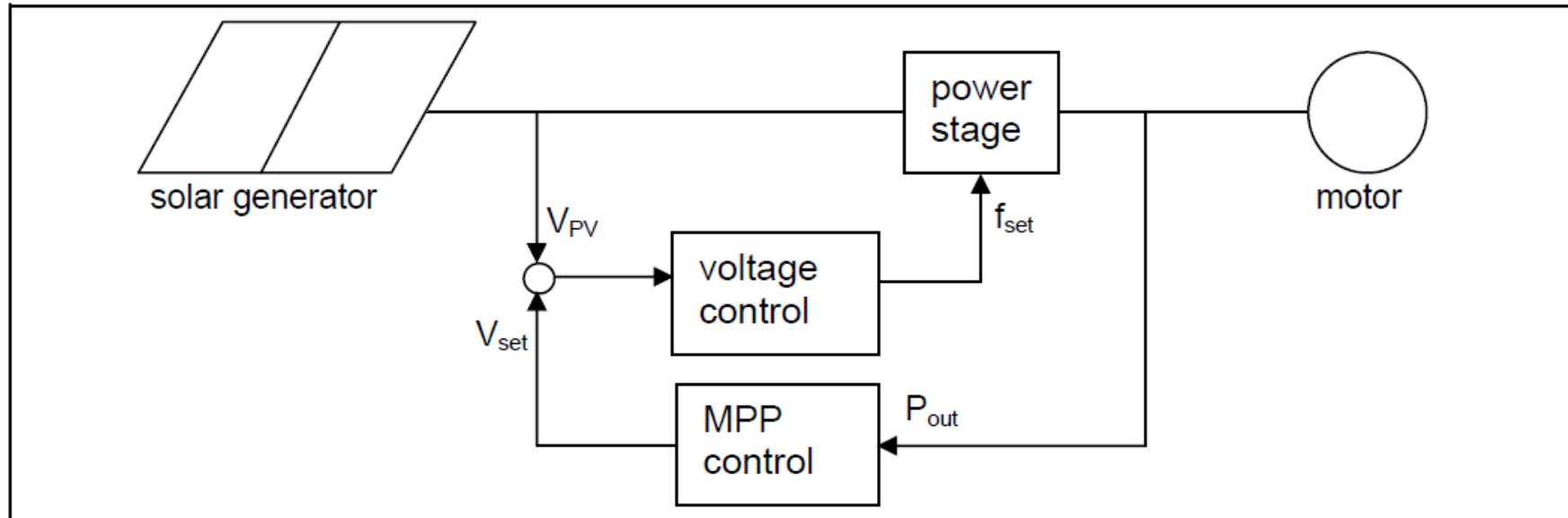


- 400 V - 800 V dc —
- 48 V dc —
- 230 V 25 Hz – 70 Hz, 3 ph —
- 230 V 50 Hz, 1 ph —
- data / control ⋯
- refrigerant —

5. VFD MPP-Tracking



▶ MPP tracking by compressor speed adaption



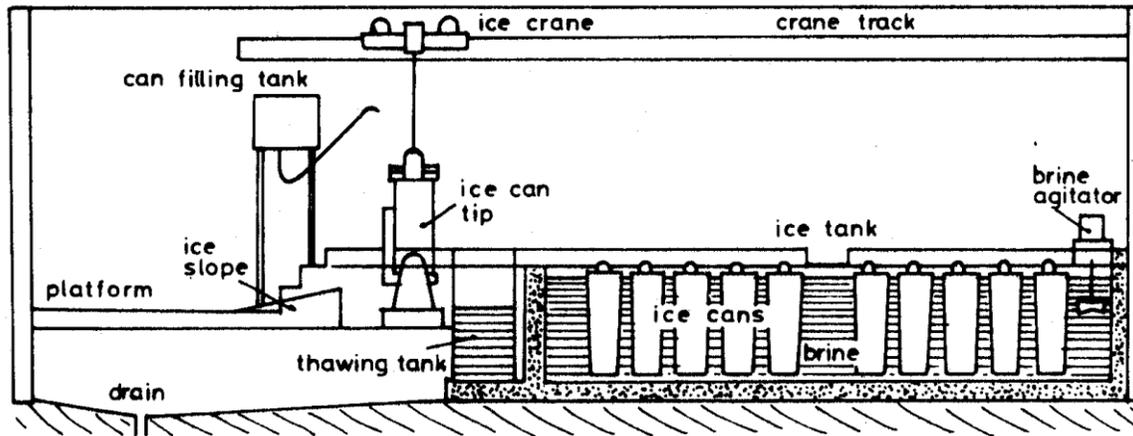
▶ Software implemented in a VFD

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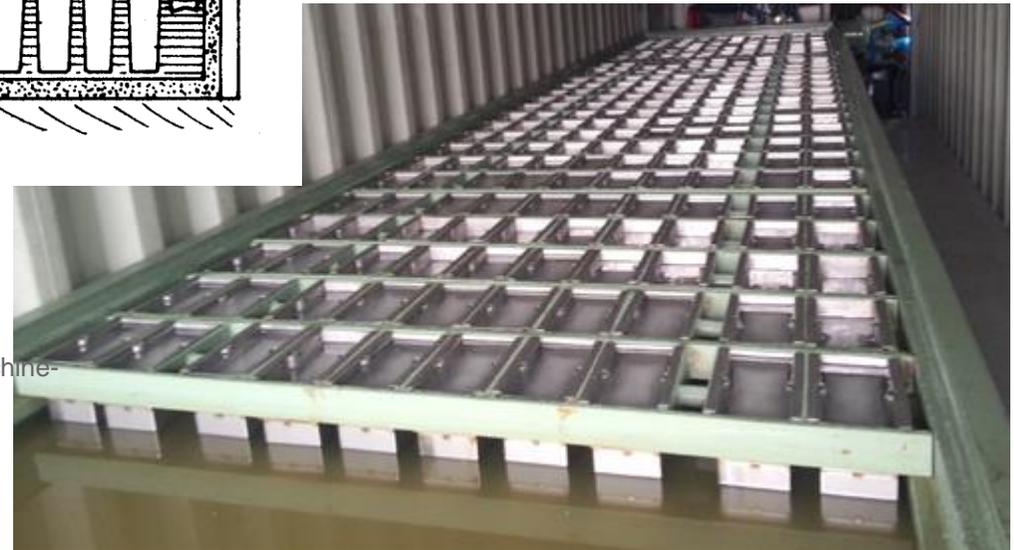


- ▶ Problem of conventional systems: simultaneous freezing of all blocks → poor or no part load capabilities



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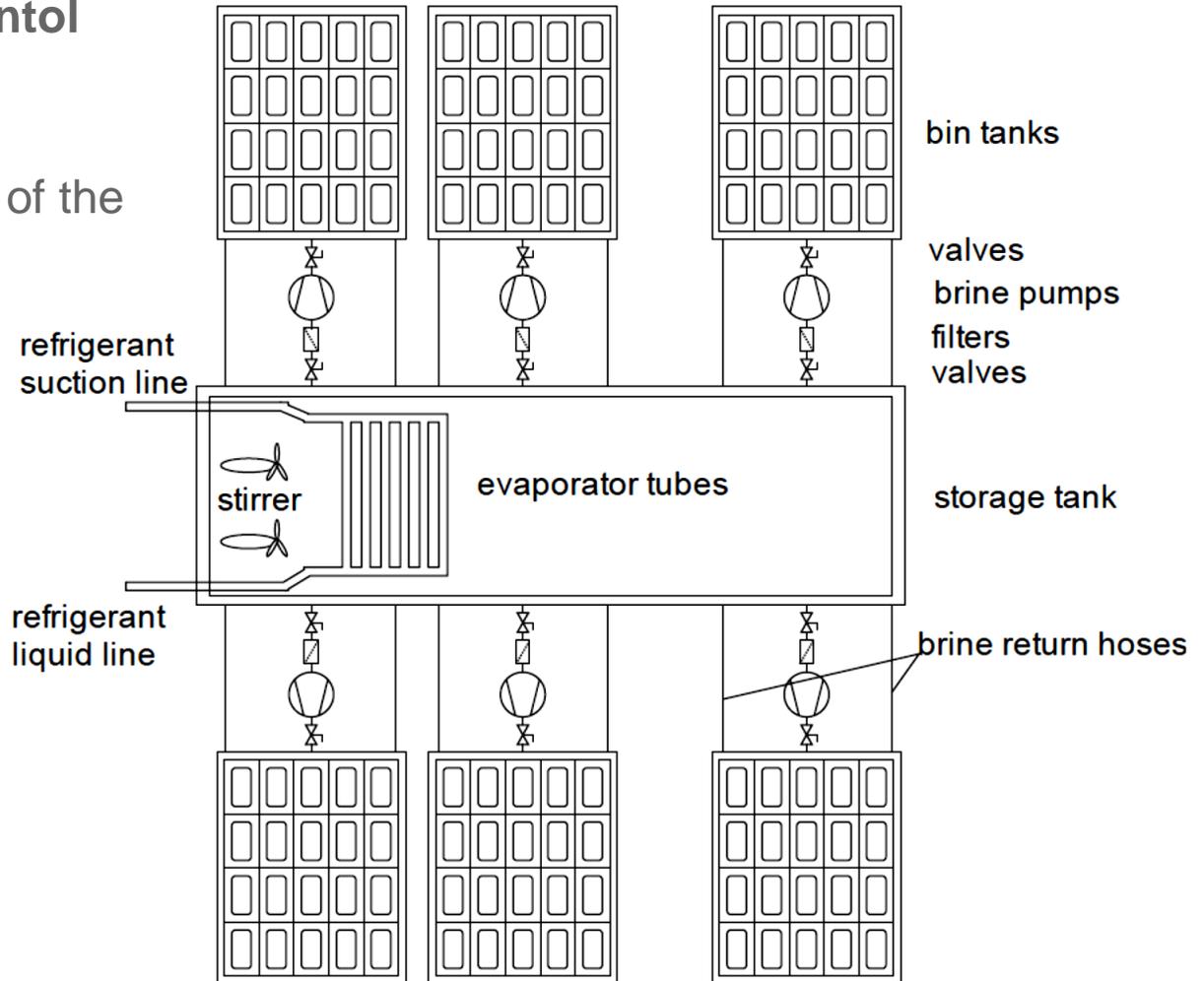


- ▶ **Solution: compartmentalization of the bin tank + integration of a storage tank + automatic operation control**

- ▶ **Requirements**

- ▶ common freezing state of the bins w.o. stirrer
- ▶ knowledge of freezing state

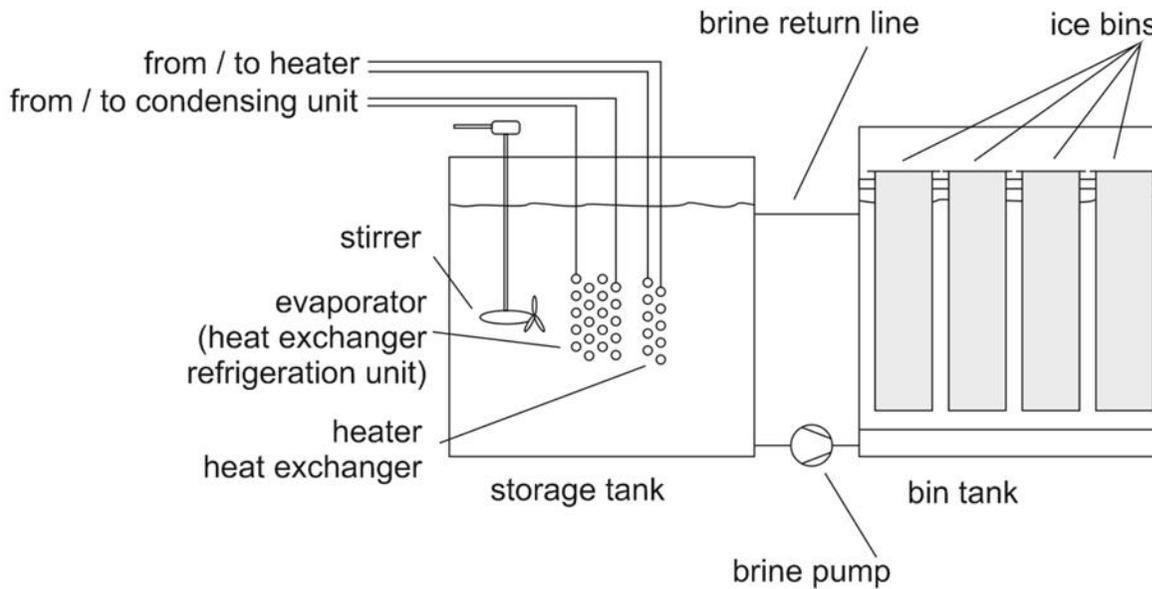
adaptable conversion of electricity to cold fulfilled regarding cooling demand



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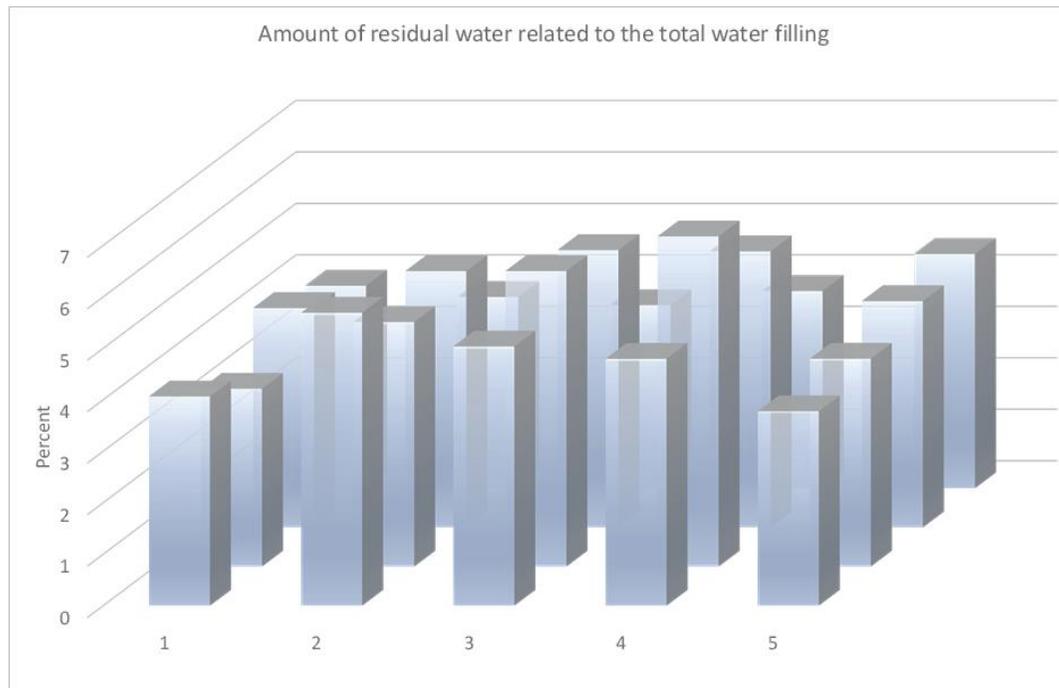
- ▶ Own experiments with test rig (bin tank scale 1:1)



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- ▶ **Results: common freezing state with an optimized hydraulic design**

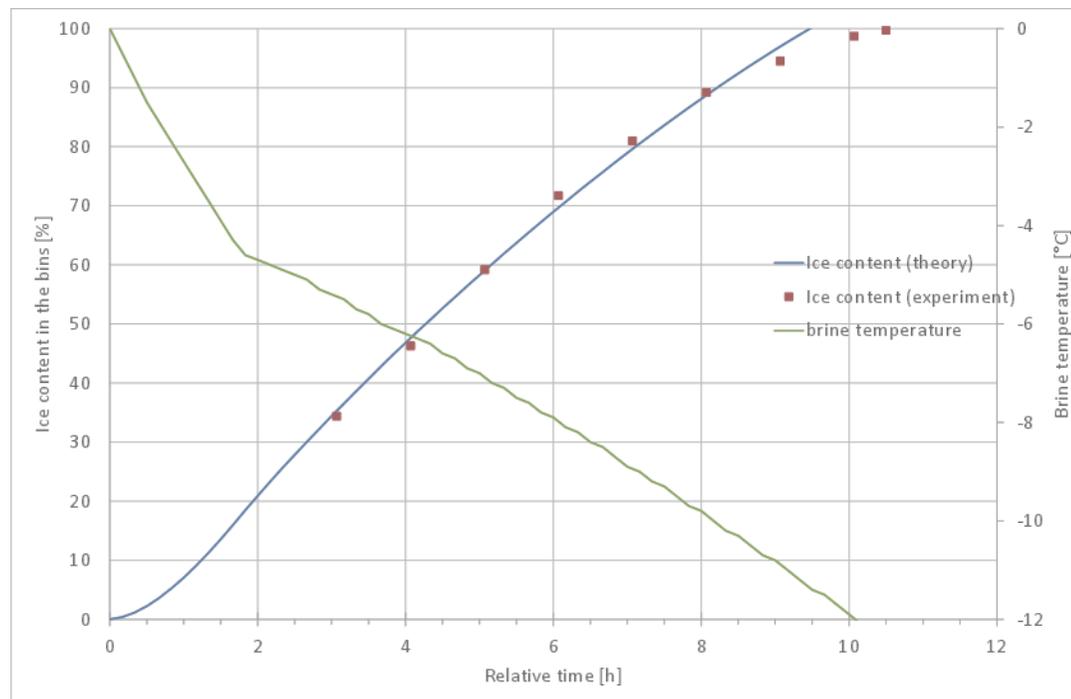


- ▶ **6.5 h freezing at -8 °C, min. 3.4 % residual water, max. 6.4 % residual water**
- ▶ **Remaining differences are expected to have no practical relevance.**

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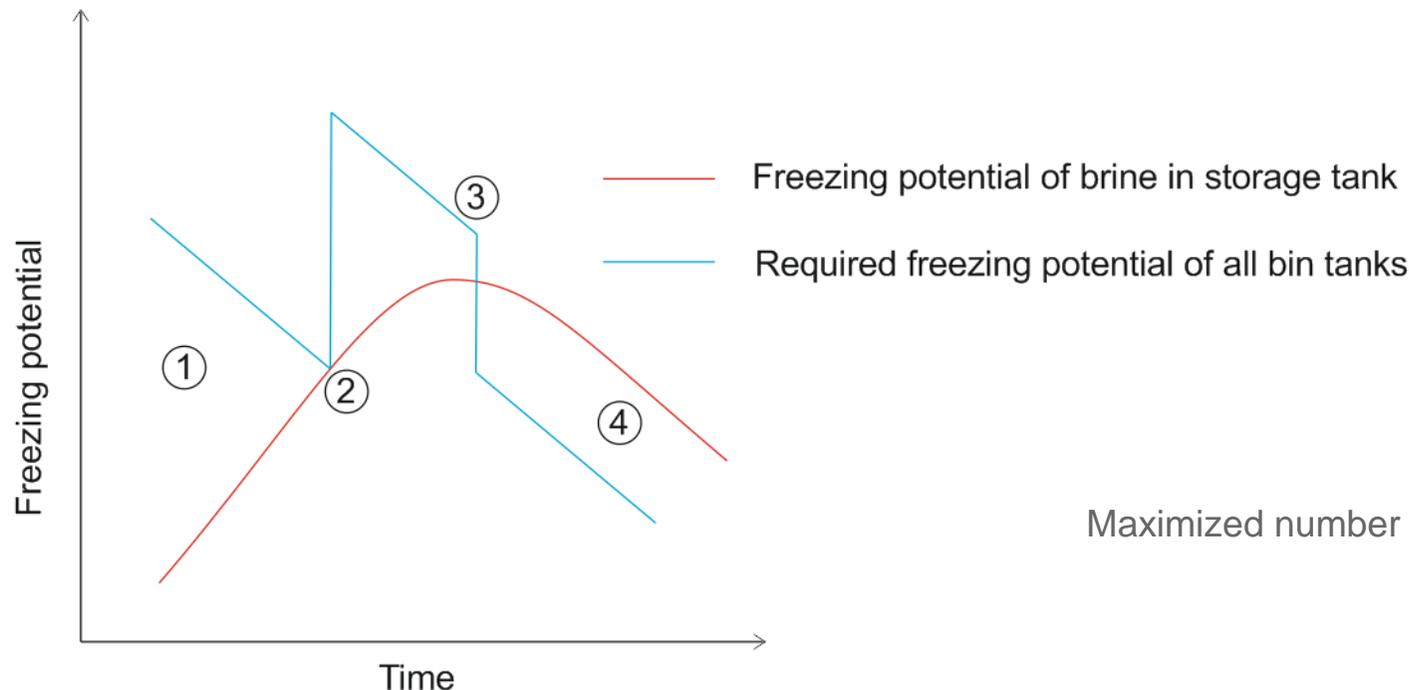


- ▶ Ice block growing model in dependence from brine temperature
- ▶ Freezing state estimations by simple brine temperature measurement



- ▶ PLC required to calculate freezing state of every bin tank

- ▶ Proposed operation mode
one part: bin tank operation decision – afternoon
- ▶ „Freezing potential“ as common term for the „useful“ heat capacity of the cold brine and the required solidification enthalpy



Maximized number of finished ice blocks

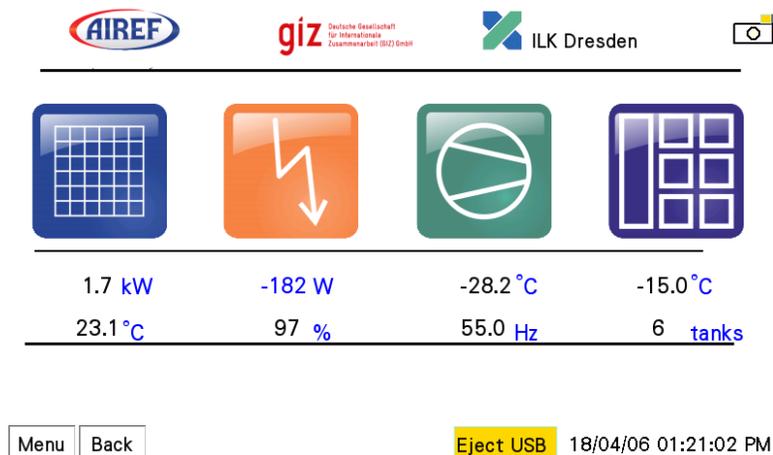


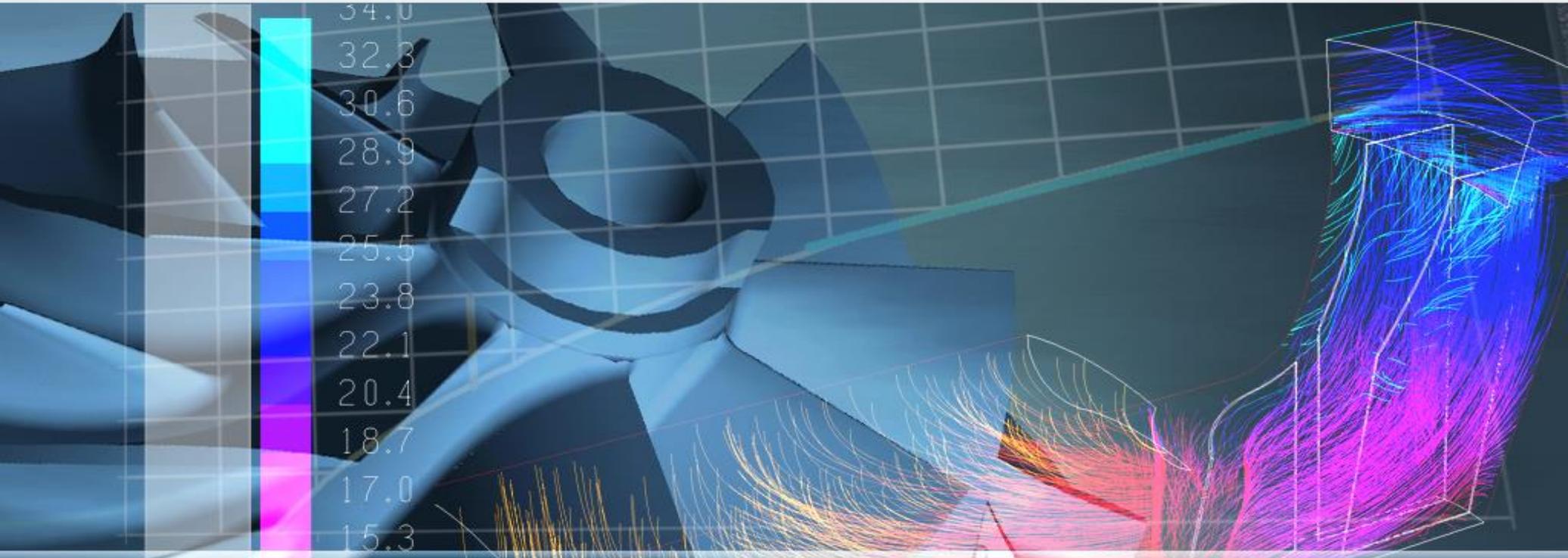
▶ Pasuruan, Indonesia:

- ▶ Erection of the tanks, set-up of hydraulic system
- ▶ Set-up of the refrigeration cycle and the 25 kWp PV-generator.

▶ Dresden, Germany:

- ▶ Implementation of the VFD- and control software,
- ▶ Development of terminal software,
- ▶ Test of proposed control regime with original hardware and downscaled refrigeration cycle and PV generator
- ▶ Two weeks visit of an Indonesian GIZ engineer for knowledge transfer





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