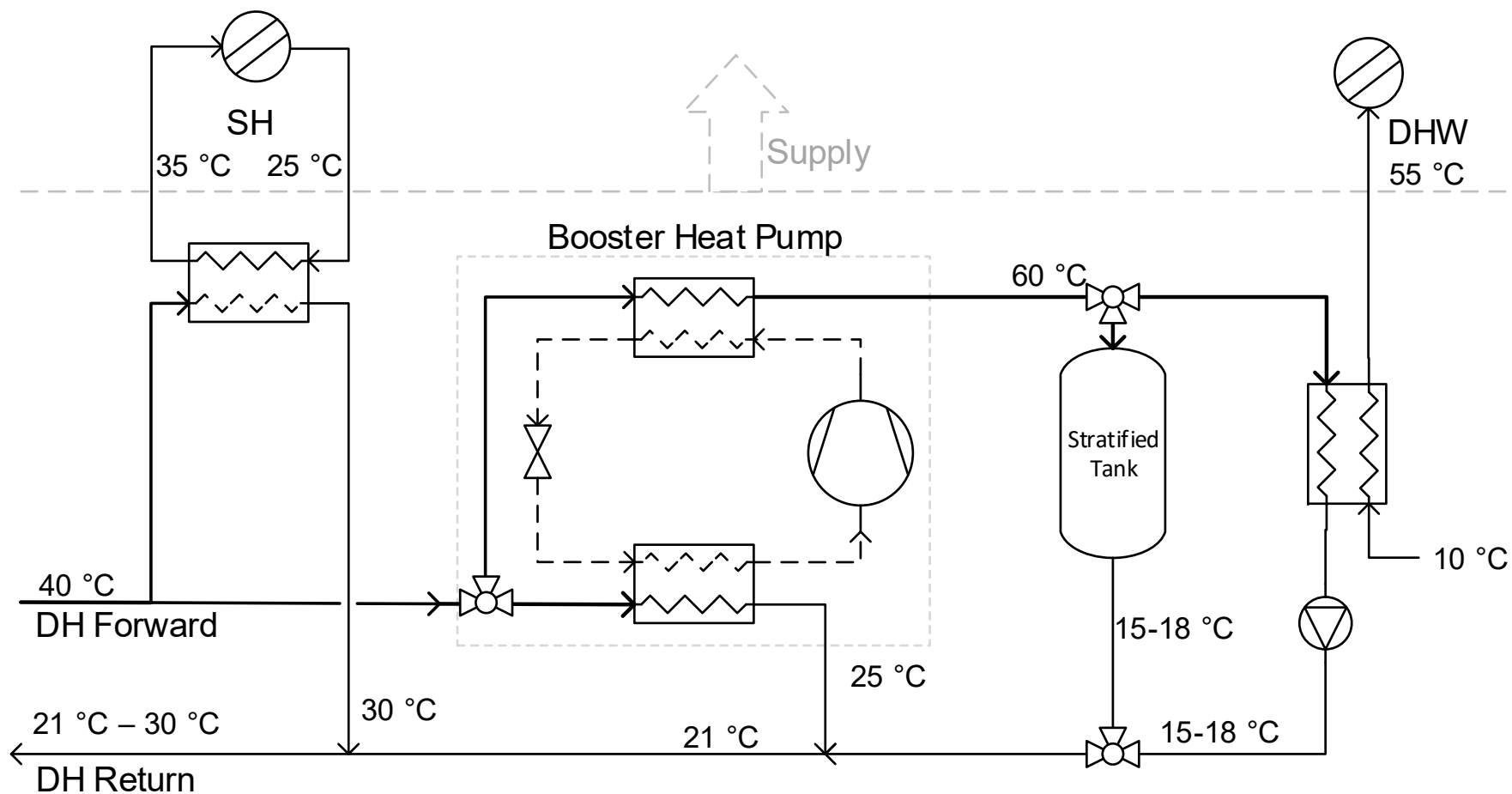




# Agenda

- Introduction
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  - Off design analysis
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# Booster HP System

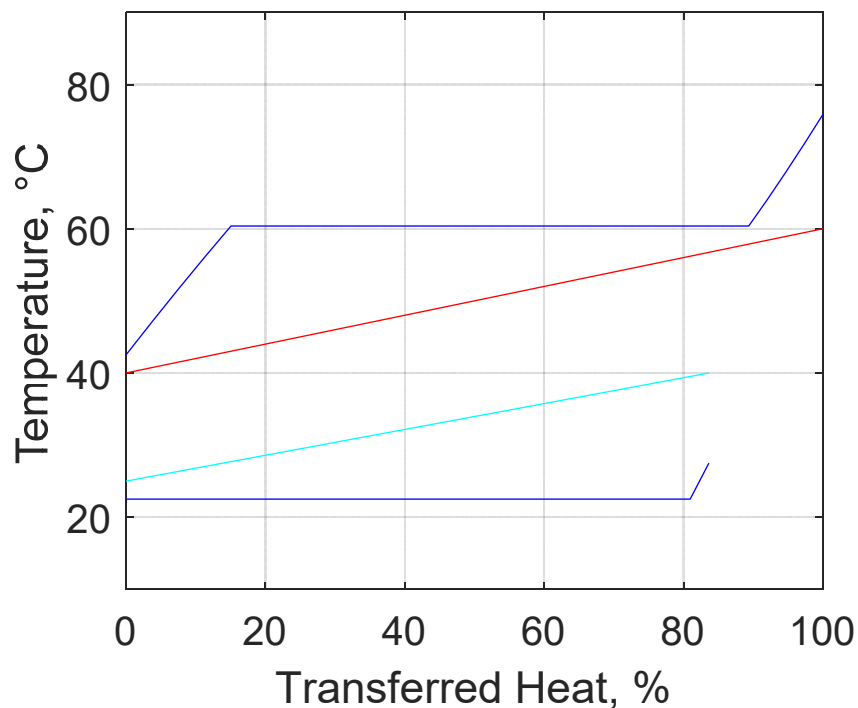


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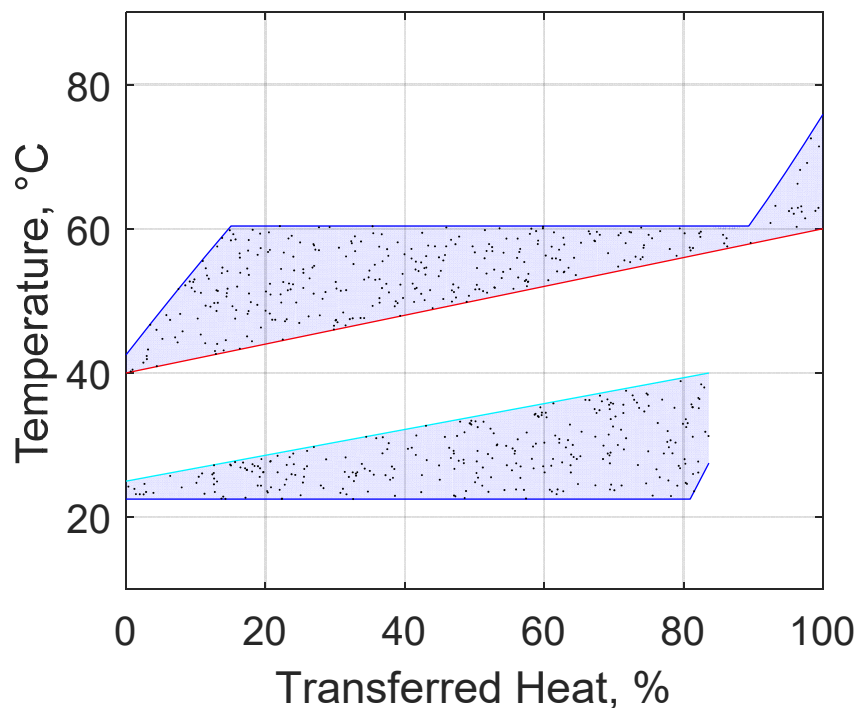
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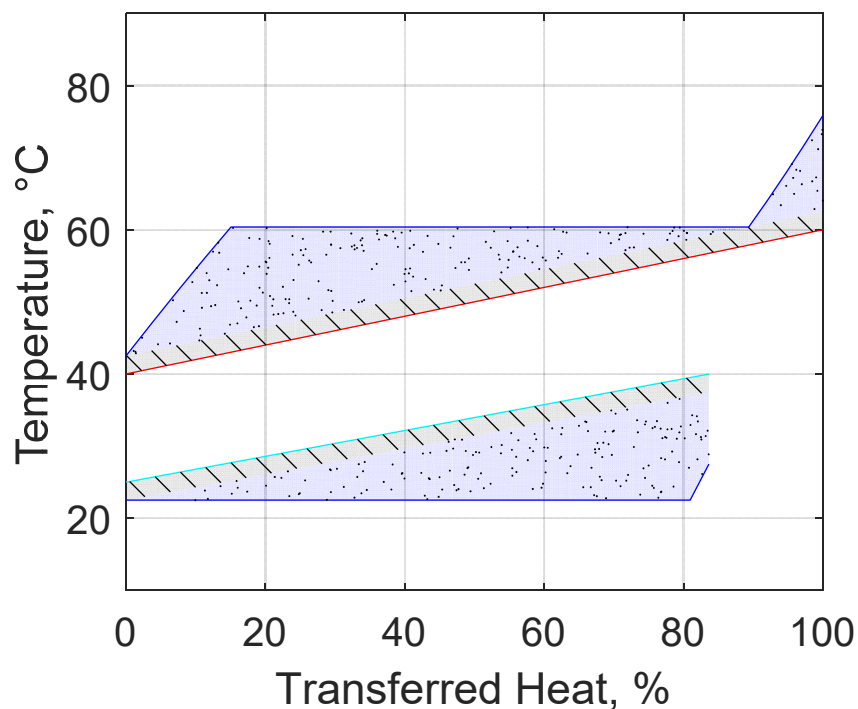
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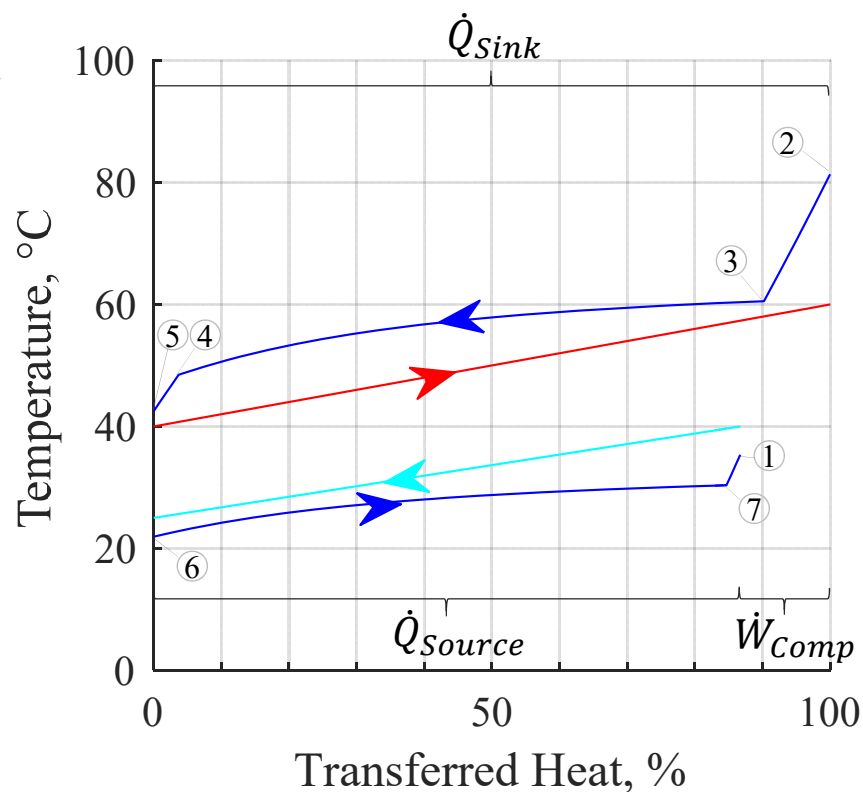
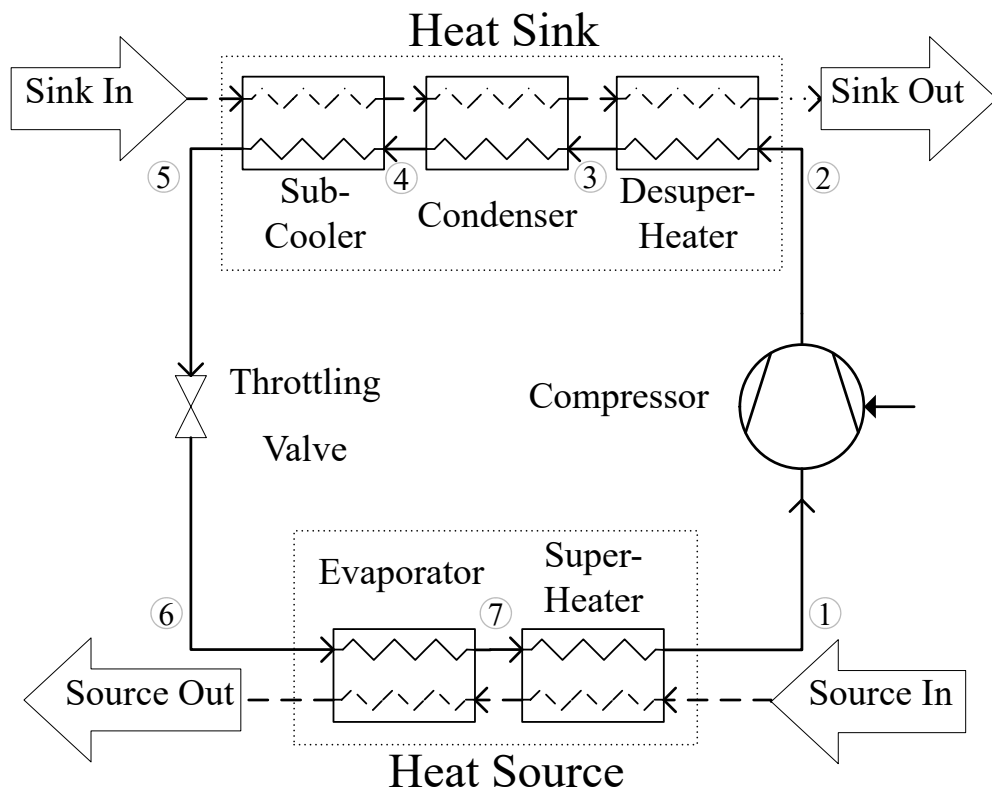
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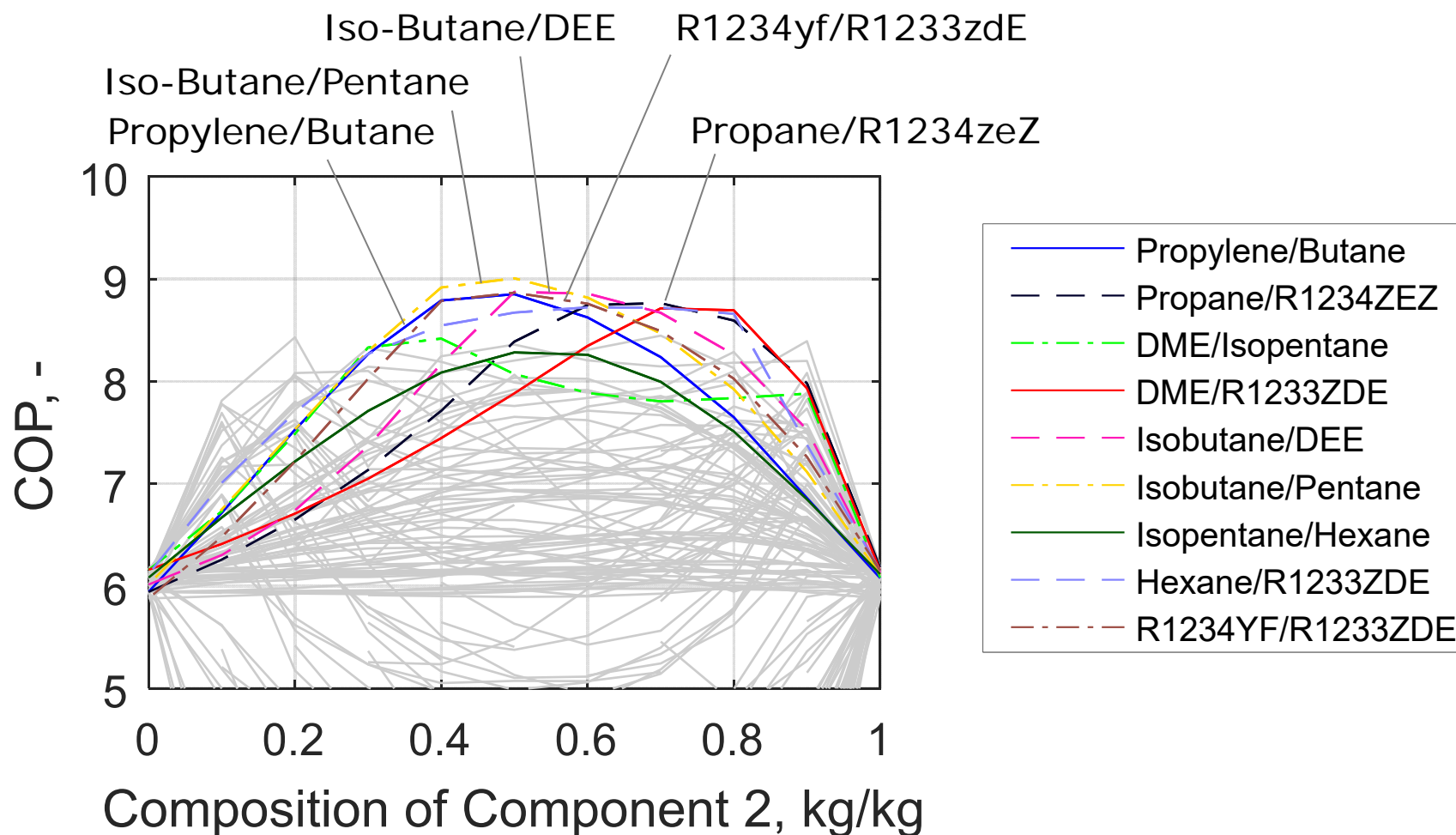
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# Working Fluid Screening: Thermodynamic Model



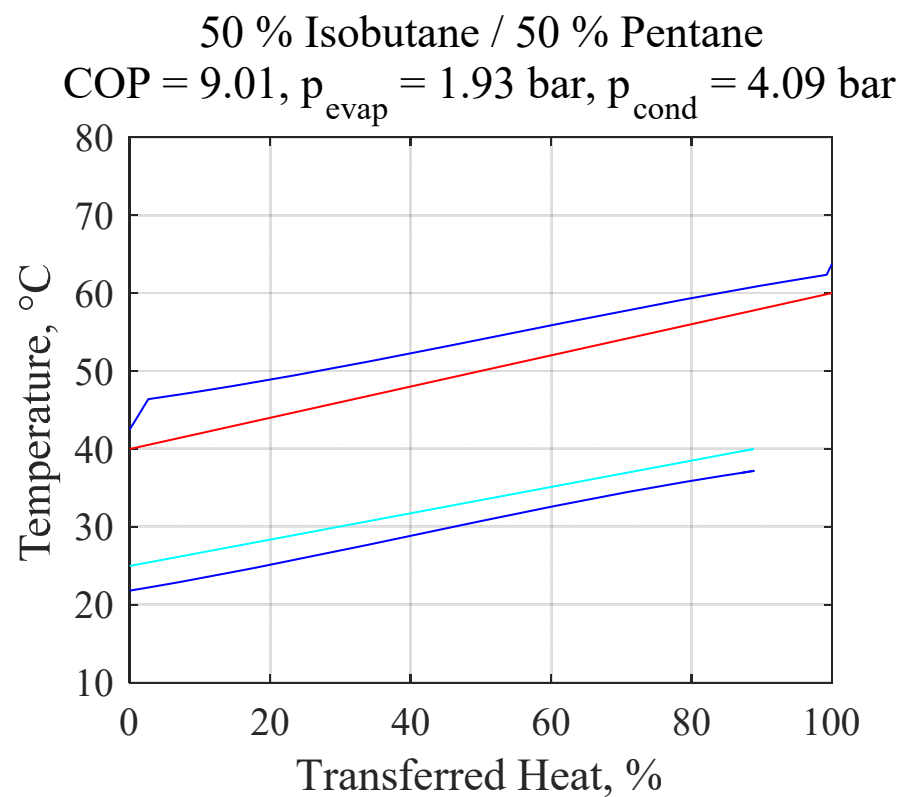
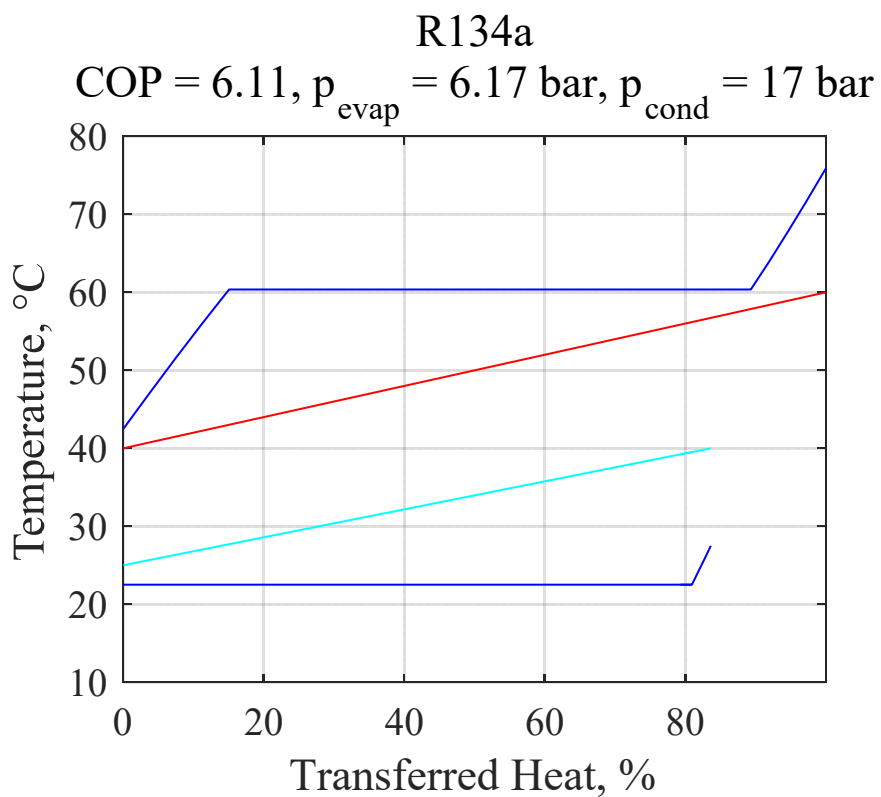
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# Working Fluid Screening: Results (0 K min. Super Heating)





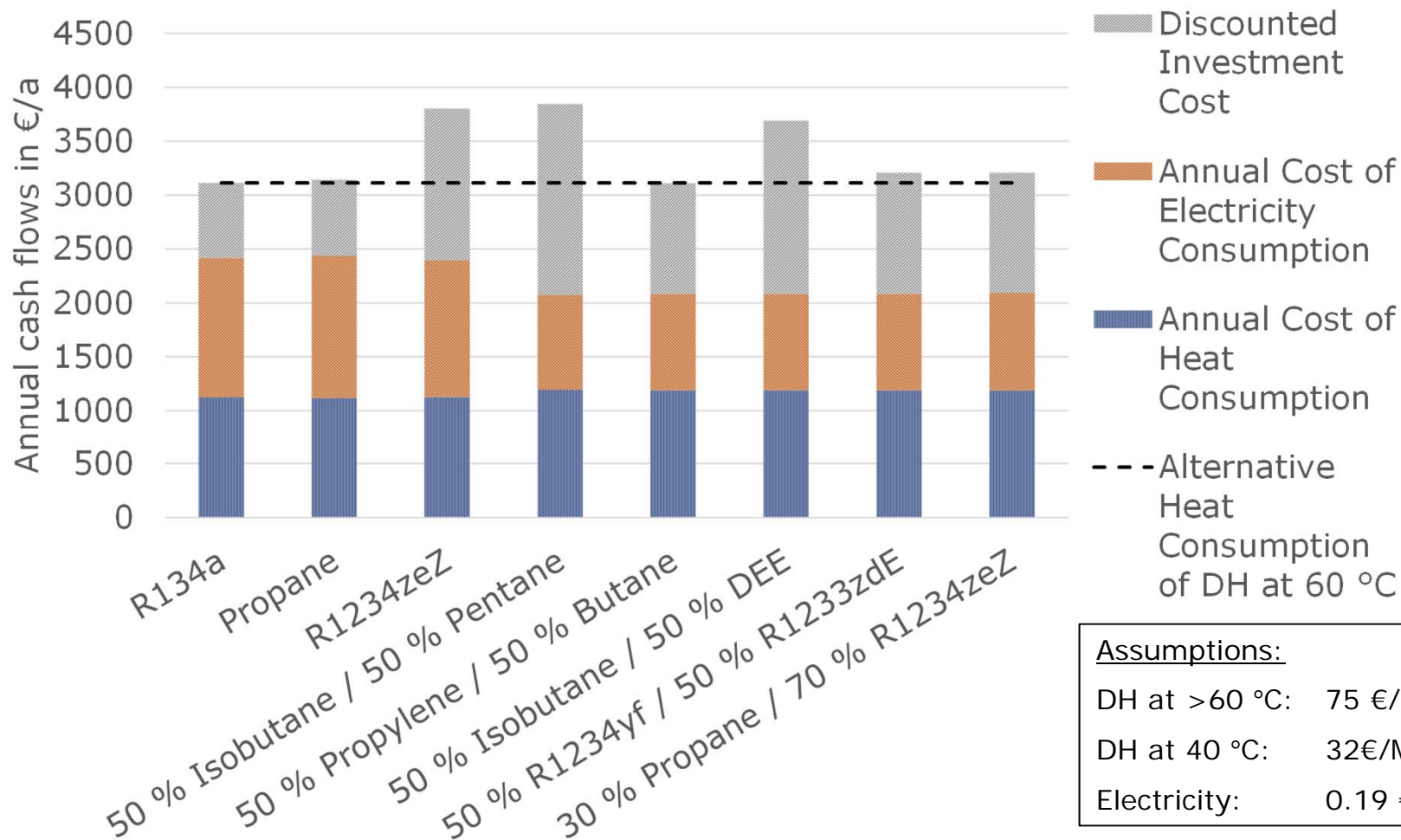
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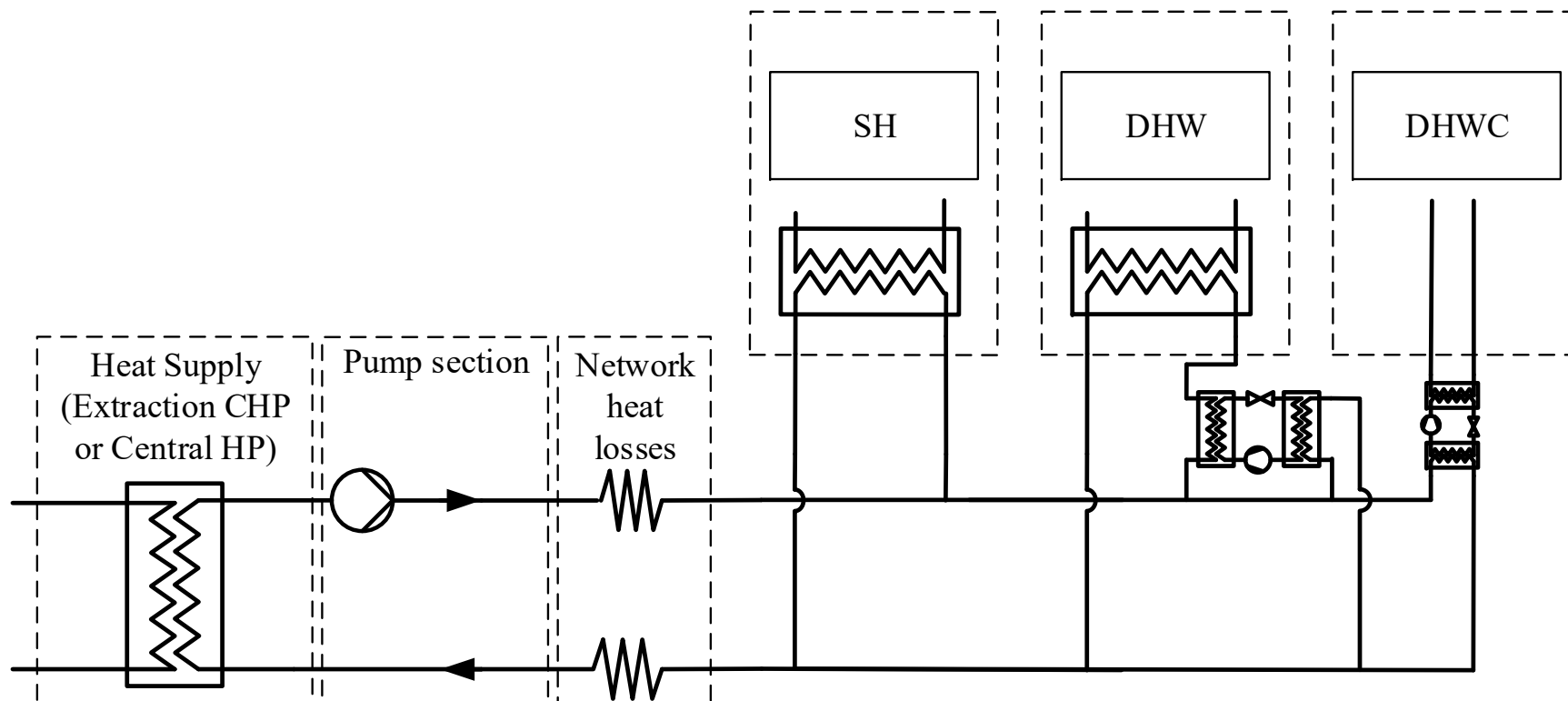
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Working Fluid	COP	$A_{\text{evap}}$	$A_{\text{cond}}$	$\dot{V}_{\text{comp}}$	$\text{PEC}_{\text{evap}}$	$\text{PEC}_{\text{conc}}$	$\text{PEC}_{\text{comp}}$	$\text{PEC}_{\text{total}}$	$\text{TCI}_{\text{total}}$
	[–]	[m <sup>2</sup> ]	[m <sup>2</sup> ]	[m <sup>3</sup> /h]	[€]	[€]	[€]	[€]	[€]
R134a	6.11	1.52	2.11	9.21	289.01	350.88	1,525.83	2,165.71	8,662.86
Propane	6.01	1.52	2.13	7.56	288.54	353.80	1,564.14	2,206.49	8,825.94
50 % Propylene – 50 % Butane	8.85	5.09	4.28	9.92	668.31	582.06	1,943.18	3,193.55	12,774.20
30 % Propane – 70 % R1234zeZ	8.76	4.41	4.62	12.00	596.30	618.07	2,263.86	3,478.23	13,912.92

# Booster HP: Heat Generation Cost



# DH System: Layout



# DH System: Off Design Analysis

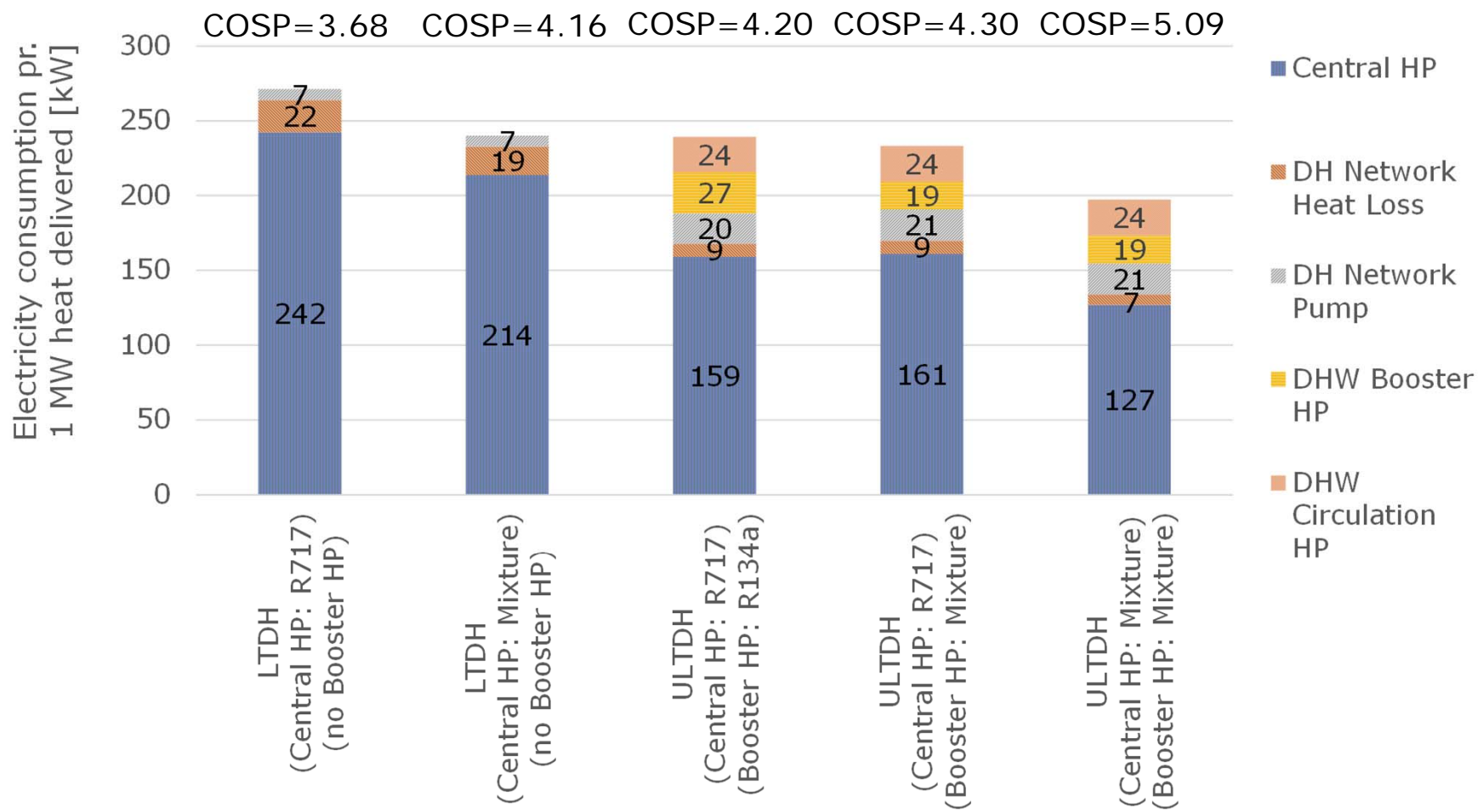
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Constant  $\Delta T_{source}$ :  
 $\Delta T_{source} = 15 \text{ K}$

	$T_{forward} = T_{sink,in}$										
	35 °C		40 °C	45 °C		50 °C					
	$T_{return} = T_{source,out}$										
	20 °C	25 °C	25 °C	30 °C	25 °C	35 °C	25 °C				
Medium	COSP [-]										
R134a	- 7 %	- 13 %	<b>4.18</b>	± 0 %	± 0 %						
R290			<b>4.17</b>							- 2 %	- 3 %
R1234zeZ			<b>4.18</b>								
50 % IsoButane – 50 % Pentane			<b>4.30</b>								
50 % Propylene – 50 % Butane			<b>4.29</b>								
50 % IsoButane – 50 % DEE			<b>4.29</b>			- 3 %	- 4 %				
50 % R1234yf – 50 % R1233zdE			<b>4.29</b>								
30 % Propane – 70 % R1234zeZ			<b>4.29</b>								

# DH System: System Performance



## Conclusions

- Thermodynamic performance of Booster HP:
  - R134a: COP = 6.11
  - 50 % Isobutane / 50 % Pentane: COP = 9.01 (+47 %)
- Economic performance of best mixtures similar to best pure fluid
  - Economic performance strongly dependent on boundary conditions
- Off Design of mixtures similar to pure fluids
- Temperature difference between forward and return should be maintained during off design
- Thermodynamic performance of DH System:

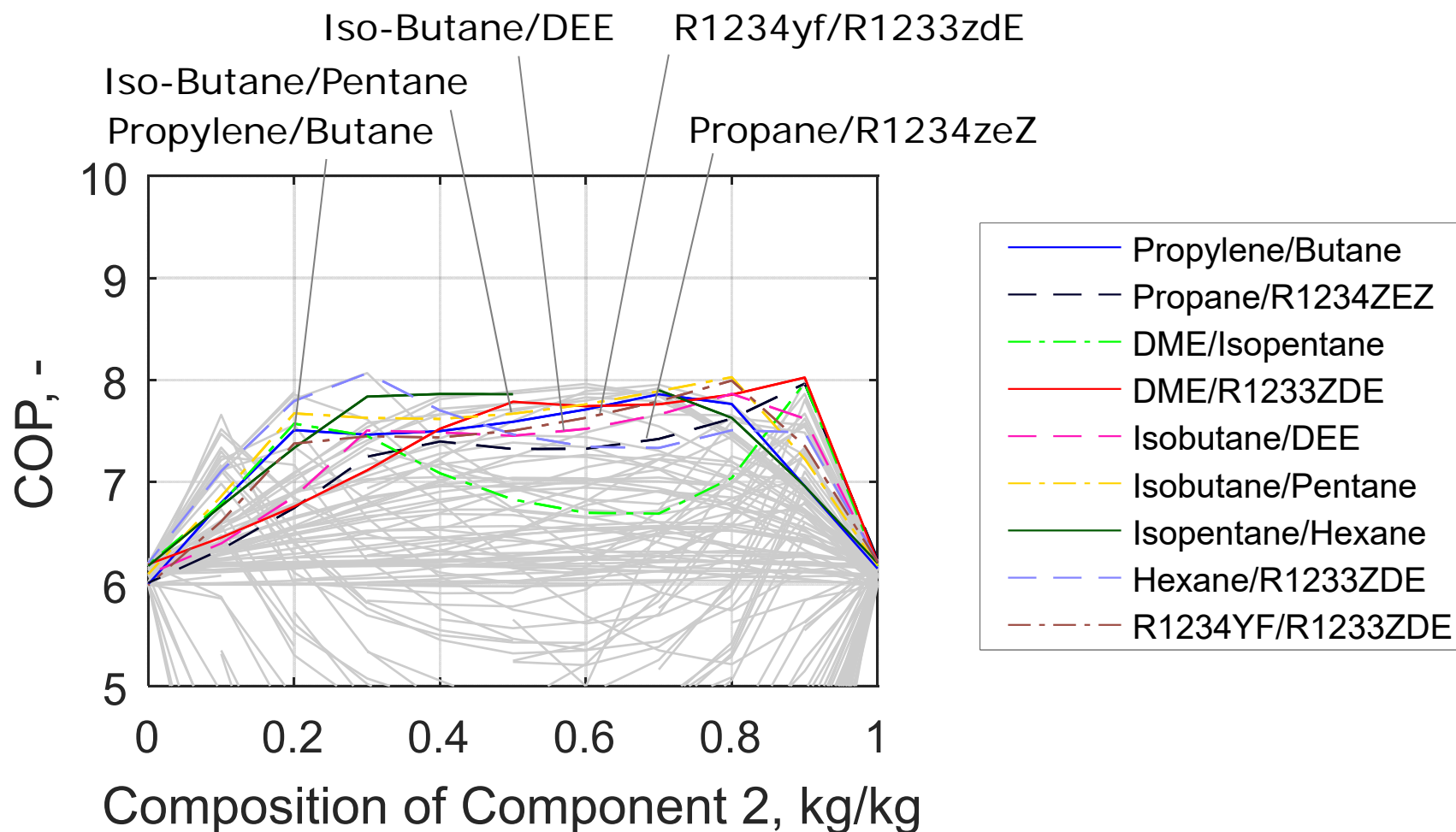
Working Fluid of HPs	Pure Fluid	Mixture	
LTDH	COSP=3.68	COSP=4.16	(+13 %)
ULTDH	COSP=4.20	COSP=5.09	(+21 %)
	(+14 %)	(+22 %)	

# Working Fluid Screening: Considered Fluids

No.	Name of Fluid	Ref. No.:	Type	ODP -	GWP	Normal Boiling Point, ° C	Crit. Temp. ° C	Crit. Pressure bar	Safety Class
1	Methane	R-50	HC	0	25	-161.5	-82.6	46.0	A3
2	Ethylene	R-1250	HO	0	6.8	-103.8	9.2	50.4	A3
3	Ethane	R-170	HC	0	2.9	-88.6	32.2	48.7	A3
4	CO <sub>2</sub>	R-744		0	1.0	-	31.0	73.8	A1
5	Propylene	R-1270	HO	0	3.1	-47.6	91.1	46.7	A3
6	Propane	R-290	HC	0	3.0	-42.0	96.7	42.5	A3
7	Dimethyl ether (DME)	R-E170	HC	0	1.0	-24.0	127.3	53.4	A3
8	Iso-Butane	R-600a	HC	0	3.0	-11.7	134.7	36.3	A3
9	n-Butane	R-600	HC	0	3.0	-0.5	152.0	38.0	A3
10	Iso-Pentane	R-601a	HC	0	4.0	27.8	187.3	33.8	A3
11	Ethyl ether (DEE)	R-610	HC	0	4.0	34.6	193.7	36.4	A3
12	Pentane	R-601	HC	0	4.0	36.1	196.6	33.7	A3
13	n-Hexane		HC			68.7	234.5	30.3	
14	Heptane		HC			98.4	267.0	27.4	
15		R1234yf	HFO	0	4.0	-26.0	94.7	33.8	A2L
16		R1234ze(E)	HFO	0	7.0	-19.0	109.4	36.4	A2L
17		R1234ze(Z)	HFO	0	<10.0	9.8	150.1	35.3	A2L
18		R1233zd(E)	HFO	0	4.5	17.9	166.5	36.2	A1



# Working Fluid Screening: Results (5 K min. Super Heating)



# Working Fluid Screening: Results

No.	Working Fluid	COP	$p_{\text{evap}}$	$p_{\text{cond}}$	$\frac{p_{\text{cond}}}{p_{\text{evap}}}$	$\dot{m}$	$\dot{V}$	$\varepsilon$	$\eta_{\text{Lor}}$
		[–]	[bar]	[bar]	[bar]	[kg/s]	[m <sup>3</sup> /h]	[%]	[%]
1	R134a	6.11	6.17	16.97	2.75	0.075	9.2	41.9	33.0
2	Propane	6.01	10.84	21.28	2.38	0.039	7.6	41.3	32.5
3	DME	6.19	5.49	14.60	2.66	0.032	10.2	42.3	33.5
4	Butane	6.15	2.25	6.64	2.95	0.036	23.1	42.1	33.2
5	R1234yf	5.99	6.36	16.79	2.64	0.093	9.8	41.1	32.4
6	R1234zeE	6.08	4.62	13.11	2.84	0.080	12.1	41.7	32.9
7	R1234zeZ	<b>6.24</b>	1.63	5.32	3.27	0.063	28.5	42.7	33.7
8	R1233zdE	6.21	1.19	4.07	3.43	0.068	37.7	42.5	33.6
9	50 % IsoButane – 50 % Pentane	<b>9.01</b>	1.93	4.08	2.12	0.038	26.7	58.1	48.7
10	50 % Propylene – 50 % Butane	8.85	6.29	11.83	1.88	0.037	9.9	57.3	47.8
11	50 % IsoButane – 50 % DEE	8.87	2.27	4.81	2.12	0.039	23.0	57.4	48.0
12	50 % R1234yf – 50 % R1233zdE	8.87	3.67	7.54	2.06	0.080	15.0	57.4	47.9
13	30 % Propane – 70 % R1234zeZ	8.76	4.84	9.60	1.98	0.055	12.0	56.8	47.4

# Investment Cost

## Assumptions:

- Heat Exchanger: Danfoss C62 micro plate HX
  - Fixed average heat transfer coefficients (aligned to prototype)
- Compressor: Danfoss MLZ scroll compressors
  - + 20 % investment cost for flammable refrigerants
  - $\eta_{vol} = 90 \%$
- Component cost interpolated to catalogue prices
- HP Cost  $\approx 4 \times$  Component Cost
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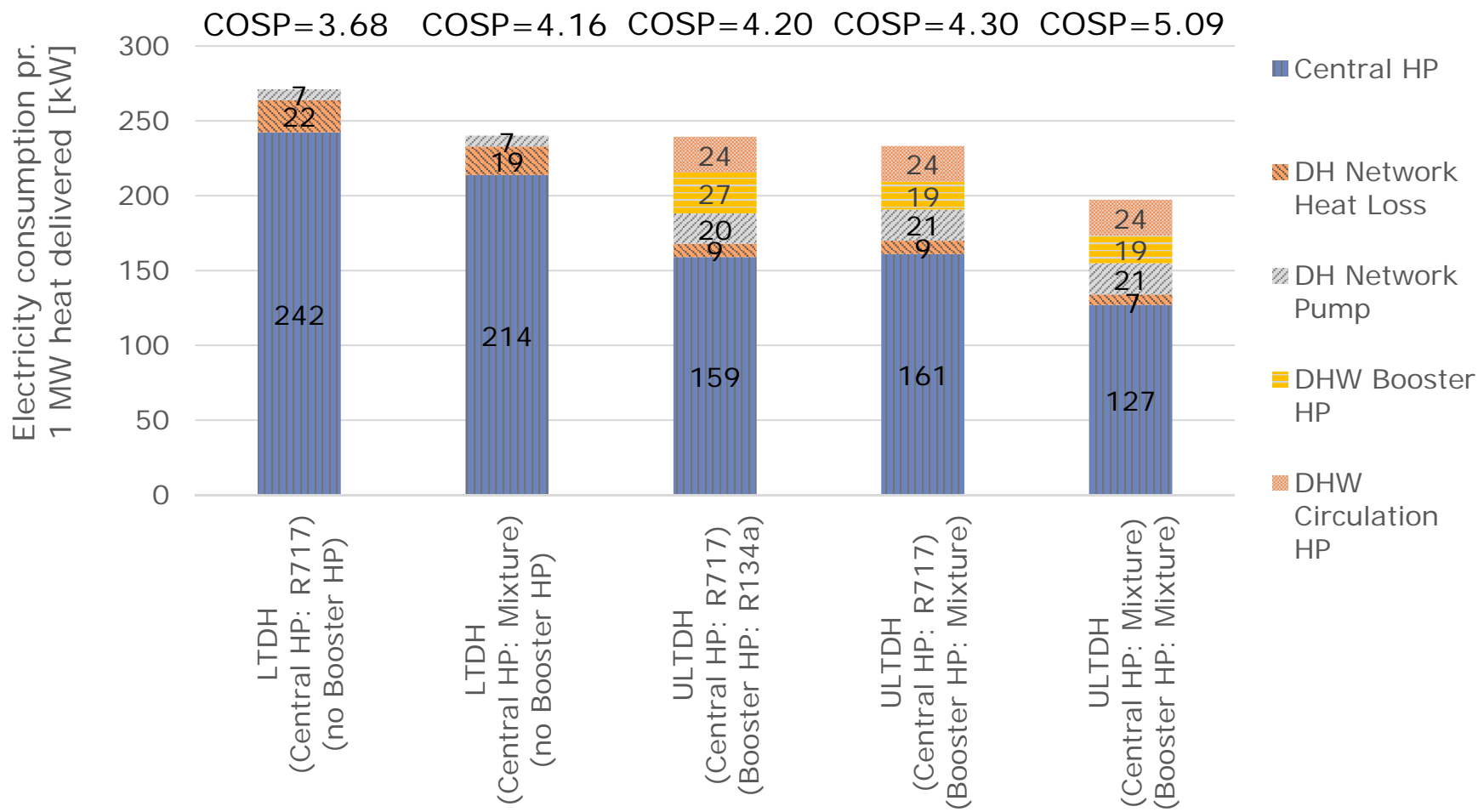
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# DH System: System Performance



# Investment Calculation

