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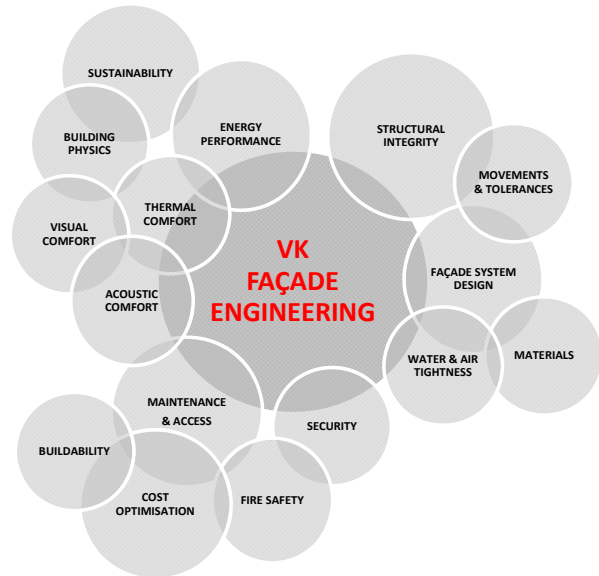
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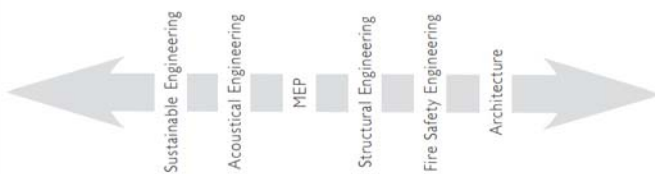
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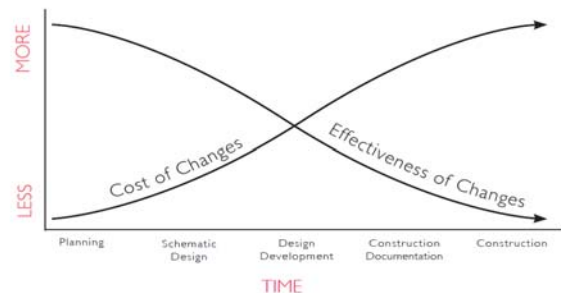
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MULTIDISCIPLINARY DESIGN APPROACH



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STRUCTURAL FAÇADE REQUIREMENTS

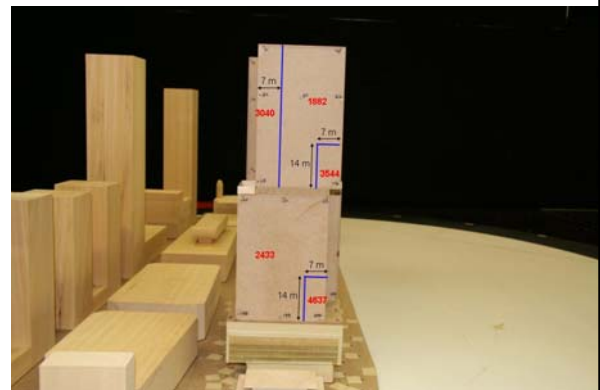
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Estimation of wind load on façade element:

- Standard EN1991-1-4 for European countries
- ASCE 7-10
- Wind tunnel testing

Example – De Rotterdam – H = 150m

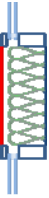
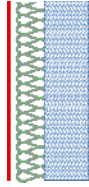
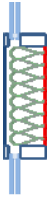
$$\frac{\text{Measurement}}{\text{Norm}} = \frac{4637}{1,4 \times 1860} \sim 1,8$$



APPLICATION OF STEEL IN FAÇADE ELEMENTS

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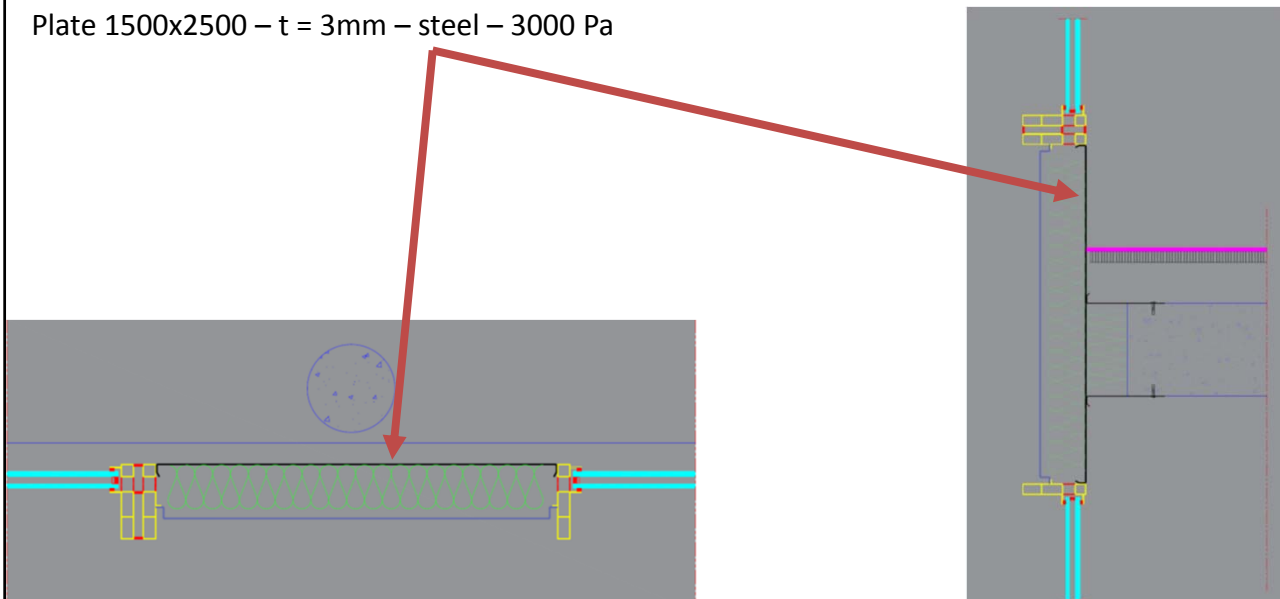
Applications of steel in façade elements			
	Spandrel panel Front sheet	Rain screen application	Spandrel panel Back sheet
Function	Esthetic finishing facade element First rain barrier		Fire barrier (1m) Vapour/Air/Acoustic barrier
Requirements	Alloy : AISI 304/316 Thickness: 1,0-3,0mm/layered composite Typical dimensions: 1800mm x1200mm Wind loading: External pressure with possible reduction		Alloy : DX51D+Z Thickness: 1,5-3,0mm Typical dimensions: 1800mm x1200mm Wind loading: external plate not airtight ! full Cpe+ Cpi to be applied to the plate
Attention points	Corrosion; Flatness Thermal movements Calculation: Non-linear effects, eigen frequency Glued reinforcements		Calculation: basic plate theory can't be applied $d > t$ calculation shall be carried out by FEM software must take non-linear geometry into account
		Connections: bolts in bending	

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Plate 1500x2500 – t = 3mm – steel – 3000 Pa



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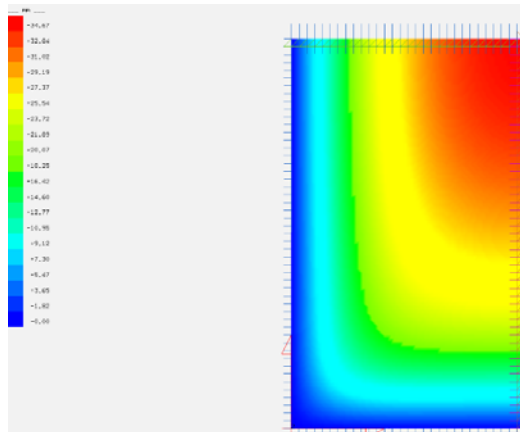
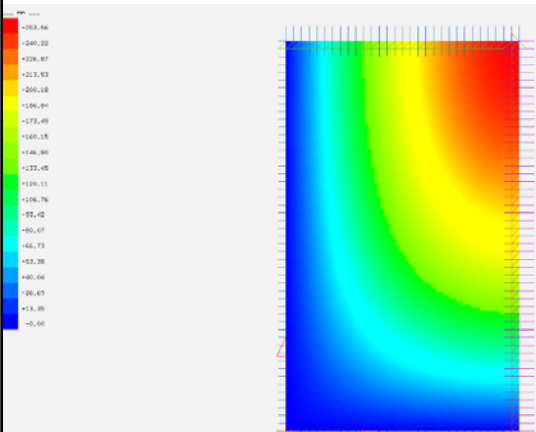
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$D_{center.linear} = 254mm$

$D_{center.nonlinear} = 35mm$



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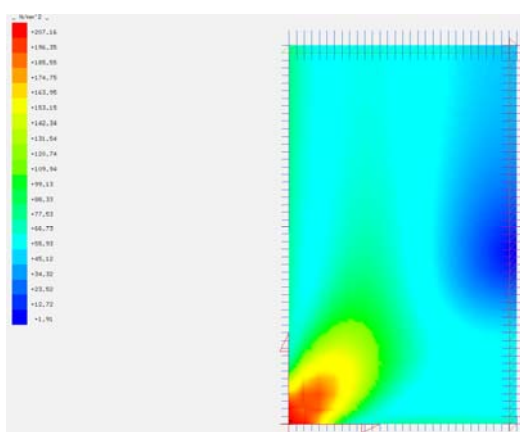
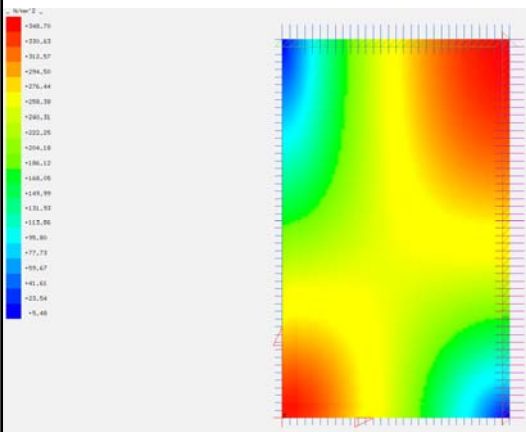
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Plate 1500x2500 – t = 3mm – steel – 3000 Pa

$\sigma_{vonMises.linear} = 349 MPa$

$\sigma_{vonMises.nonlinear} = 207 MPa$



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ENERGY REGULATIONS

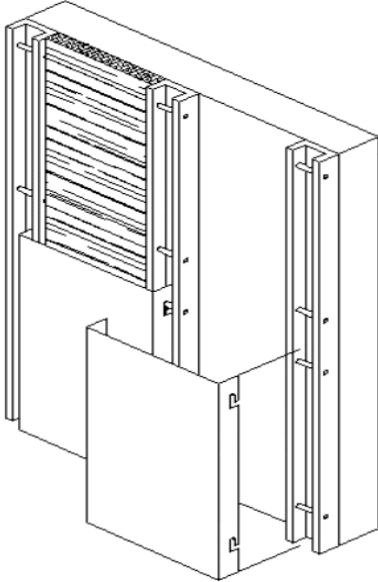
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		2016	2017	2018	2020	2021 - NZEB	2051 - ZEB	
FLANDERS	All buildings	K40 + max U-values → $U_p \leq 0.24W/m^2K$					Energy- & CO ₂ neutral	
	Residential	E50	E50	E40	E35	E30		
	<i>+ requirements on overheating, net demand, renewable energy</i>							
	Non-residential: Function dependent: Offices/School	E55	E55	E50	E45	E40		
<i>+ requirements on renewable energy</i>								
	Industry	-	<i>Spain-(function-dependent): No E_{level}</i>					
BRUSSELS	All buildings (Incl. Industry)	max U-values → $U_p \leq 0.24W/m^2K$					Energy- & CO ₂ neutral	
	Residential	Brussel Passief (<i>Requirements on net heating, primary energy & overheating</i>)				NZEB		
	<i>+ airtightness</i>							
	Offices/School	Brussel Passief (<i>Requirements on net heating, primary energy</i>)				NZEB		
<i>+ overheating</i> <i>+ airtightness</i>								
WALL.	Residential + Offices + School	K35 (K55 for Industry) + max U-values → $U_p \leq 0.24W/m^2K$						
		E80 (No E_{level} for Industry)						

Requirements for U value of opaque wall: $U_p < 0.24W/m^2K$:

- Rockwool: $\lambda = 0.035W/mK$ $t \sim 140mm$
- PIR/PUR: $\lambda = 0.025W/mK$ $t \sim 100mm$



U value of opaque wall $\leq 0.24 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$

1D value of opaque wall (centre value)

+

Thermal bridging connections

Heat loss through Linear & Point connections

ψ - & χ -values

Simplified method:

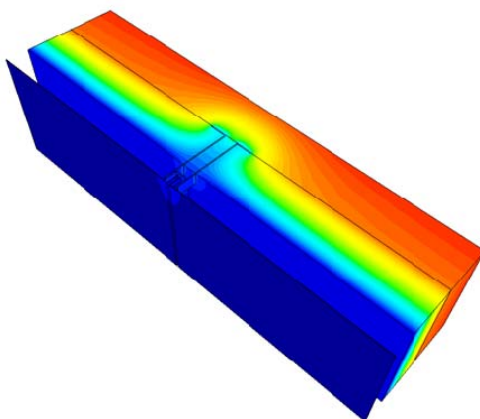
according to EPB

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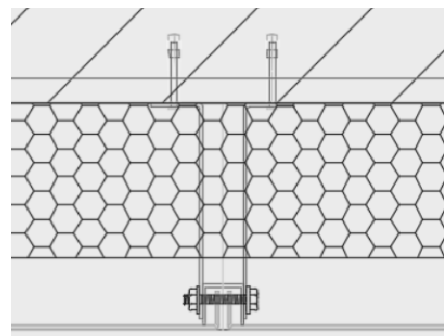
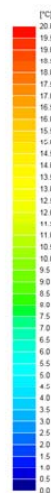
Detailed Simulations:

according to EN ISO 10211

$U_{\text{wall}} = U_{1D} + \chi$ (3D analyse, TRISCO (Physibel) conform EN ISO 10211)



Koelvineffect



$U_{\text{wall no thermal bridge}} = 0.20 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$

→ $U_{\text{wall with thermal bridge}} = 0.26 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$

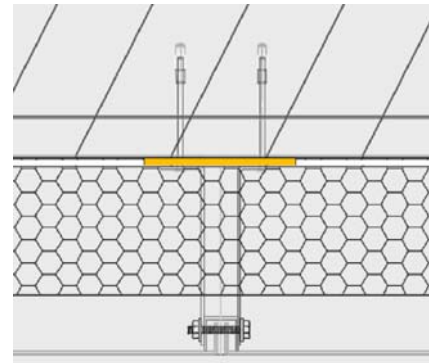
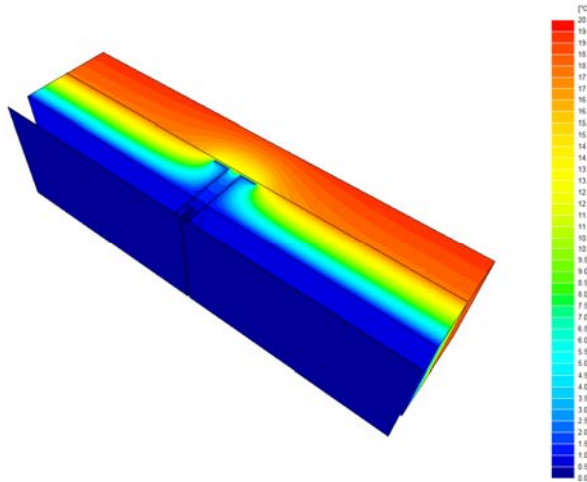
($\chi = 0.064 \text{ W/K}$)

HEAT LOSS - EXAMPLE

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$U_{wall} = U_{1D} + \chi$ (3D analyse, TRISCO (Physibel) conform EN ISO 10211)



$U_{wall \text{ no thermal bridge}} = 0.20 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$

→ $U_{wall \text{ with thermal bridge}} = 0.23 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$

($\chi = 0.031 \text{ W/K}$)

CONDENSATION RISK + TEMP DISTRIBUTION

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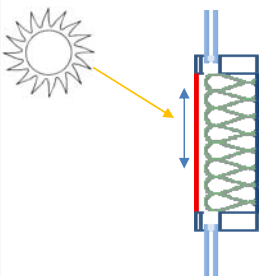


Condensation risk: (Surface & interstitial condensation)

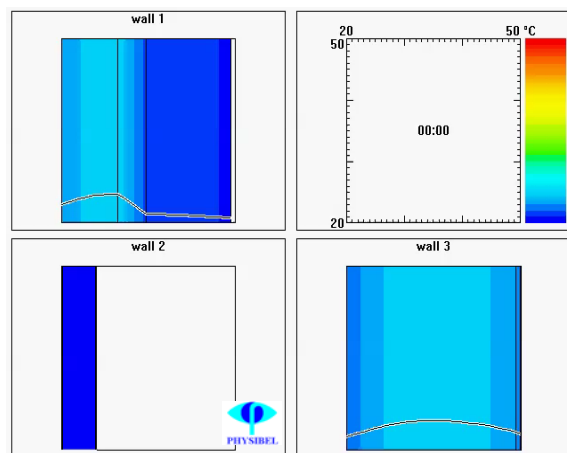
- **Possible risks:** Corrosion, Mould growth, Dust marking, Degradation of materials (insulation)
- **Solutions:** Correct positioning of vapour barrier, Modifying connections, Adding weep holes

Dynamic behaviour under T_e + Solar Radiation:

- Movements due to temperatures: Thermal expansion
- Material requirements ifo facade system:
panels: bond of components;
displacement of closers; damage seals/gaskets



External surface temperatures:	
Heavyweight, light colour	-20°C to +50°C
Heavyweight, dark colour	-20°C to +65°C
Lightweight (insulated), light colour	-25°C to +60°C
Lightweight (insulated), dark colour	-25°C to +80°C



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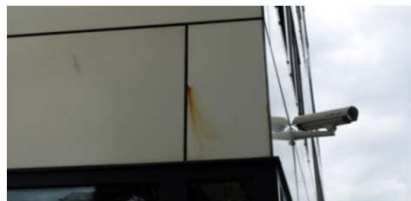
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1. **Freedom in design** (dimensions, coatings, colors, ...)
2. **Perfect flatness** (high rise / differences in reflection directly visible)



3. **Avoid corrosion** (edge cuts, contact corrosion, delamination coating, staining, degradation...)



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- Improving acoustic performance of facades
- Integrated in double skin facades (primary structure or other steel elements)
- Solar shading elements
- Heated facade
- Research on integration of Solar absorber in double skin facade / renewable systems
- ...





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