Life cycle façade refurbishment for post-war residential buildings

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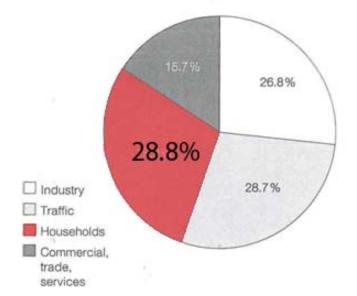
Introduction – Problem statement

Problem Statement

- -Global warming by GHG by fossil-fuels
- -90+% still fossil fuels used
- -Depletion of these *fossil fuels*
- -Energy demand needs to be lowered

Residential buildings

- -40% of the GHG by buildings
- -28,8% of energy use is by households
- -50% of Dutch buildings built before 1970, large part not insulated well
- -Energy use of buildings lowered by refurbishment, savings possible of 75% (energy label G to A).



Energy consumption in Germany in 2005 Source: Hegger et al. (2008)



Introduction – Life cycle energy

Life cycle energy (Joule)

- -Embodied energy
 - -Initial embodied energy (extraction, processing, manufacturing, transportation, assembly)
 - -Recurring embodied energy (refurbish and maintenance)
- -Operation energy
- -Demolition energy

Embodied energy in buildings (Joule)

- -10-40% of total Energy
- -40% reduction possible with reused and recycled materials

Energy for Demolition Energy Embodied in Structural Materials Energy Embodied in Structural Materials Energy Embodied in Other Materials (envelope, fitout, services) Energy of Operation over Forty Years Energy Embodied in Refurbishment Materials

Source: Crowther (1999)

Environmental impact (euro)

- -Also includes global warming potential, ozone depletion potential etc.
- -Can be expressed in environmental costs

Introduction – Goal

Goal

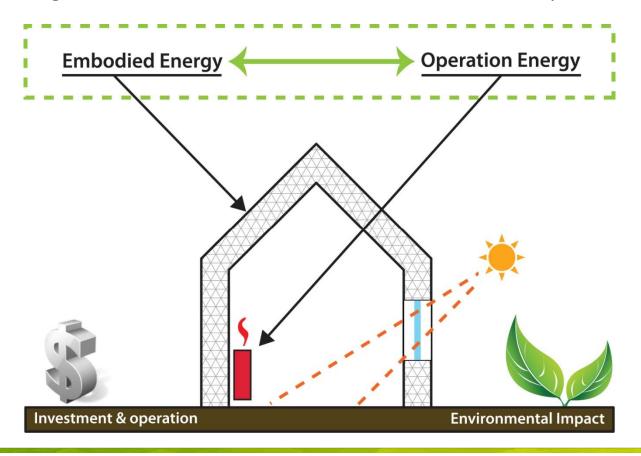
- -Develop a design approach for residential buildings, to improve the Life cycle energy (operation + embodied) and environmental impact
- -Give **recommendations** for other designers concerning materials for refurbishment
- -Show possibilities for *future research*



Introduction – Research questions

Main research question

How can the façade of a post-war residential building be refurbished, to make the operation energy and embodied energy (life cycle energy) as low as possible, while also considering other factors that influence the environmental impact?



Introduction – Research questions

Sub research questions

Refurbishment

1. What measures can be taken to improve the façade of a (residential) building with refurbishment?

Energy performance

2. How can the façade be upgraded to increase the energy performance of a (residential) building?

Case study building

3. What type of building can best be used for the case study design?

Design approach

4. What approach can be used to lower the energy use and environmental impact in façade refurbishment of a residential building, (and how can this be implemented onto the case study)?

Materials

5. What materials can best be used in the façade (for refurbishment) to lower the environmental impact, with a focus on the embodied energy?

Reuse/recycling

6. How can reusing and recycling of (façade) materials contribute to lower the environmental impact, with a focus on the embodied energy?

Introduction – Boundary conditions

Tools

- -Operation energy: EPC, Enorm
- -Embodied energy: NIBE database, Excel
- -Environmental costs: NIBE database, Excel
- -Building costs: NIBE database, Excel, internet

Research focus

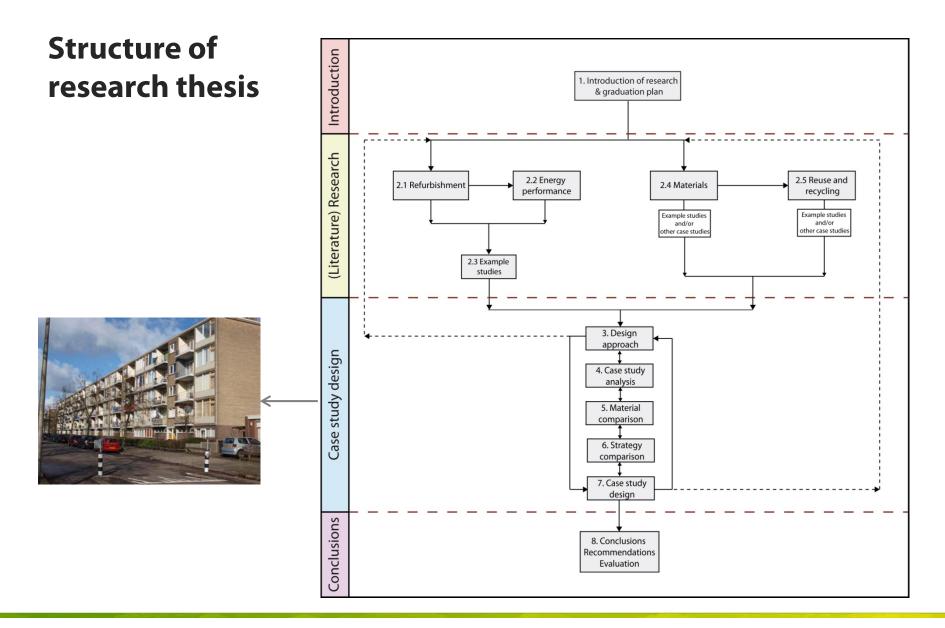
- -Refurbishment of residential buildings
- -Design for one case study, focus on façade
- -Assessment of energy performance, material properties, environment







Introduction – Research structure



Literature research - Refurbishment

Sub research question

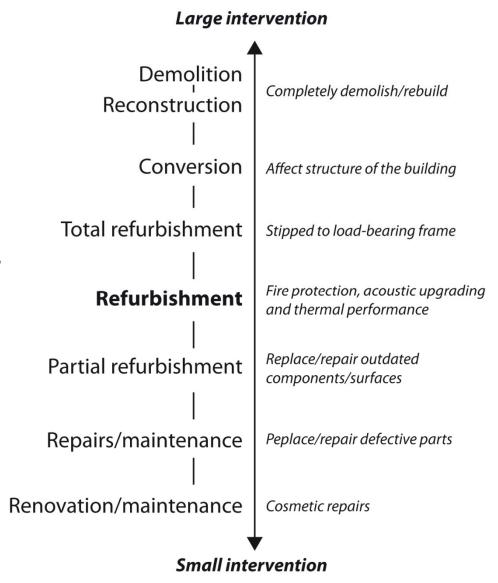
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Literature research - Refurbishment

Definitions

In refurbishment not only the defective building components are repaired or replaced, but also the outdated components or surfaces.

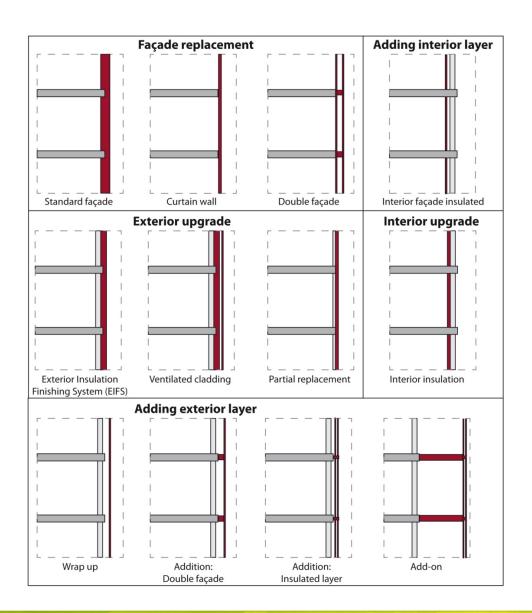
Upgrading in fire protection, acoustics and thermal performance



Literature research - Refurbishment

Strategies

- -Façade replacement
- -Exterior addition
- -Exterior upgrade
- -Interior addition
- -Interior upgrade



Literature research – Energy

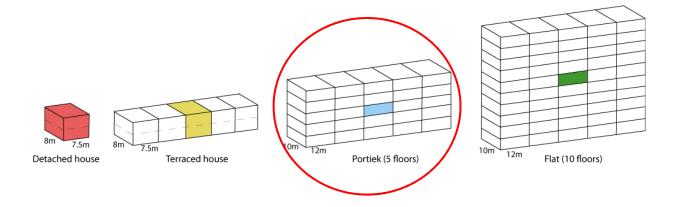
Sub research question

- 2. How can the façade be upgraded to **increase the energy performance** of a (residential) building?
- -Improving insulation
- -Ventilation
- -Domestic hot water/heating system
- -Existing components and new sustainable materials
- -Avoid overheating
- -Daylighting, efficient lighting and control systems
- -Efficient appliances and controls

Literature research – Case study

Sub research question

- 3. What **type of building** can best be used for the **case study design**?
- -Building period analysis
- -Building type analysis
- -Energy performance for different building types and periods
- -Environmental costs per building type (Greencalc+)
- -Example studies



Literature research – Case study

Conclusions

- -Building period 1945-1975
- -Portiek flat
- -More types of façade materials/construction types

Literature research – Case study

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Marco Pololaan, Kanaleneiland, Utrecht

PORTANL

- -Residential building from 1960's
- -Portiek flat
- -Different façade materials
- -Bad energy performance (Label F/G)
- -Renovation of 4 flats by **Portaal**
- -Lifespan of 35 years after renovation



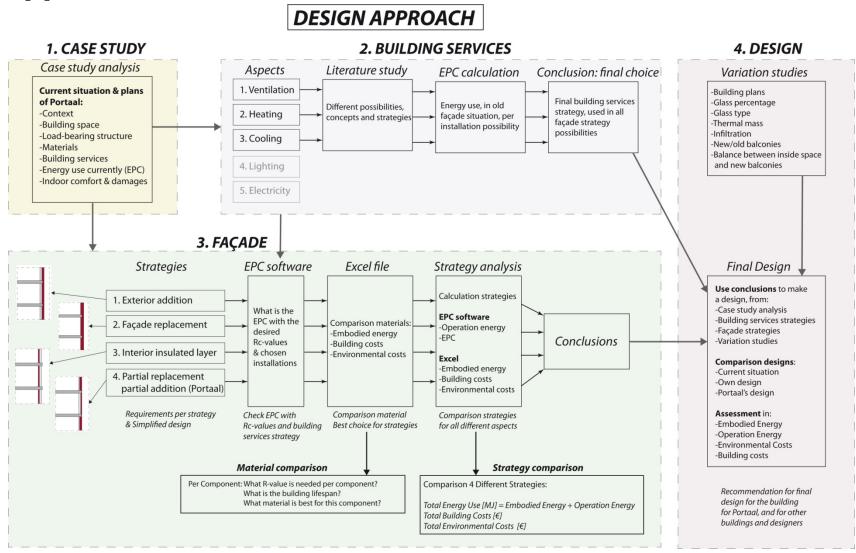
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Sub research question

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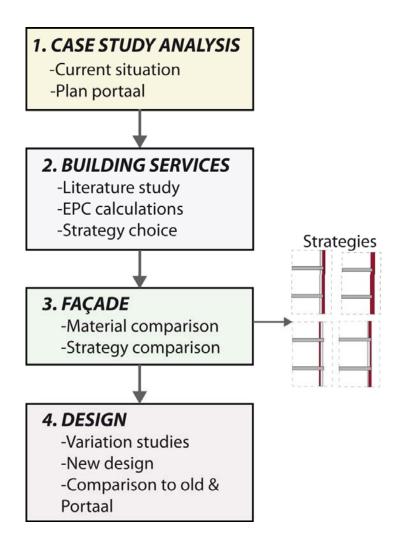
Design approach

Approach



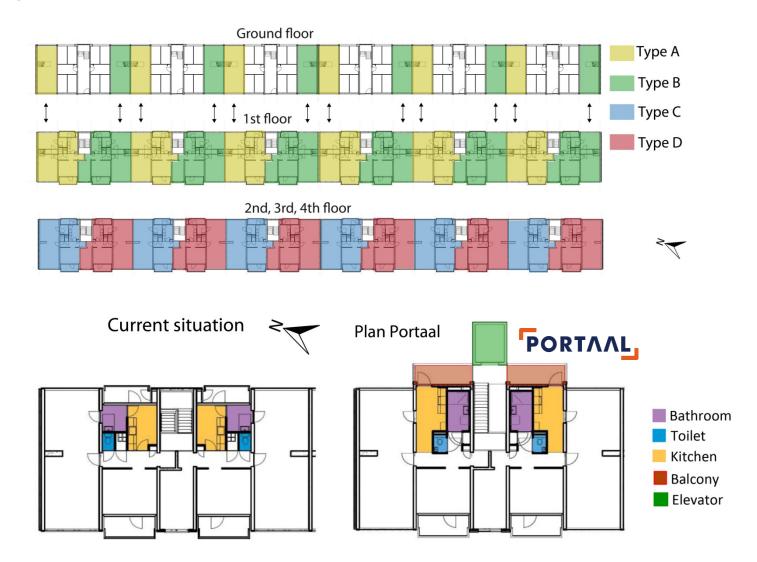
Design approach

Simplified approach



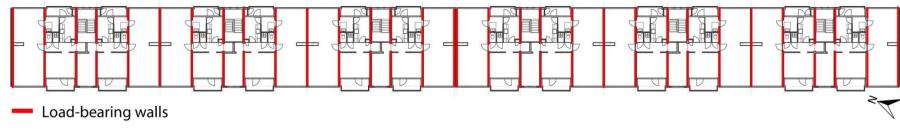
Case study analysis

Building space



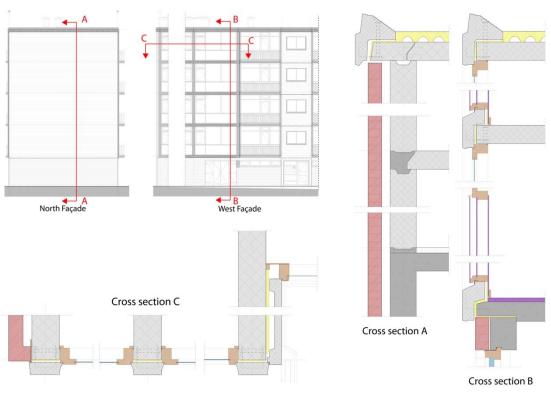
Case study analysis

Load-bearing structure



Materials

- -South and North: Masonry
- -Prefab concrete elements
- -Plates in wooden frames
- -Single glazing



Case study analysis

Building Services

- -District heating
- -Electric boiler for warm water
- -Radiators
- -Natural ventilation

Plan Portaal: add mechanical exhaust

Indoor comfort

- -Cold draught due to single glass and ventilation
- -Acoustics from inside and outside

Energy Index

- -Label F to G
- -Top right apartment has highest Index EI = 3.28

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2.88 F 2.7	71 F 2.68	2.71 F	2.68 F	2.89 F						

EPC

- -EPC = 2.99
- -Operation Energy/ year =138.000 MJ
- -Heating/year = 99.200MJ

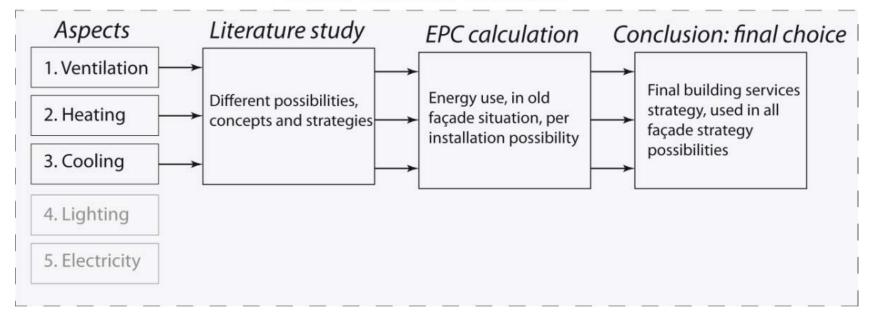
Improvement insulation

If insulation is improved to

 $Rc=3.5m2K/W \rightarrow EPC = 1.59$

Building Services - Approach

2. BUILDING SERVICES



Building Services - Analysis

Ventilation

	Comfort	Sound	Space use	Costs	Energy use system	Heat savings	EPC reduction
Natural	-	++	++	++	++		None
Mech. Supply							+/-
Mech.Exhaust	+/-	+/-	+	+	+/-	+/-	+
Mechanical	++	-		-	-	+	+
Local unit	++	-	+/-	-	+/-	+	+

Heating

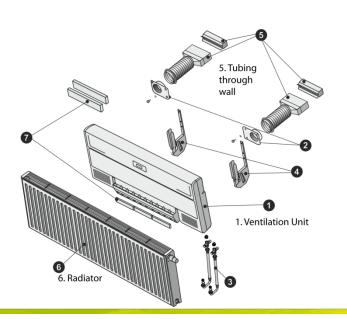
	Sub type	& Costs output system			EPC reduction compared to old situation, district		
			Low T	High T	heating		
Fossil fuels	CV heating	+	+	+	+/-		
Electric heating	CV heating	+	+	+			
Biomass	Wood/Biomass	+/-	+	+	+/-		
Solar heat	Unglazed	-	+	+	++		
collectors	Flat-plate	-	+	+	++		
	Air collector	-	+	+	++		
	Vacuum-tube	-	+	+	++		
Combined Heat &	Micro CHP	-	+	+	+/-		
Power	District heating	+	+	+	+/-		
Heat pump	External air	+	+	-	++		
	Shallow soil		+	-	++		
	Deep ground	+/-	+	-	++		
	Ground/surface	-	+	-	++		
	water						
	Waste heat	+	+	-	+		
Heat storage	Short-term	+/-	+	-			
	Long-term	-	+	-	++		

Building Services - Conclusions

Conclusions Building Services

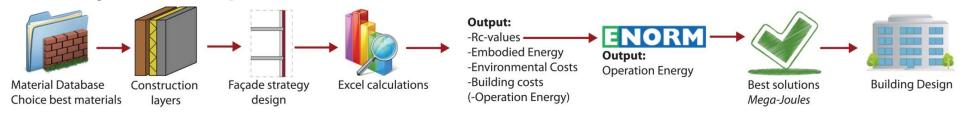
- -Heat pump with groundwater storage for heating (low temperature)
- -District heating (already present) for domestic hot water
- -Local units underneath windows, with CO2 sensors and heat recovery for ventilation
- -EPC improved from $1.59 \rightarrow 0.76$



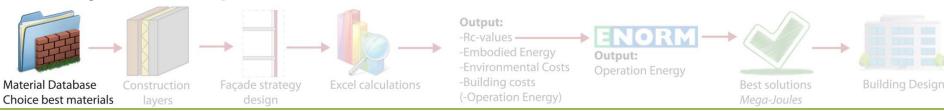


Façade analysis - Approach

Façade design approach



Façade design approach – Material database



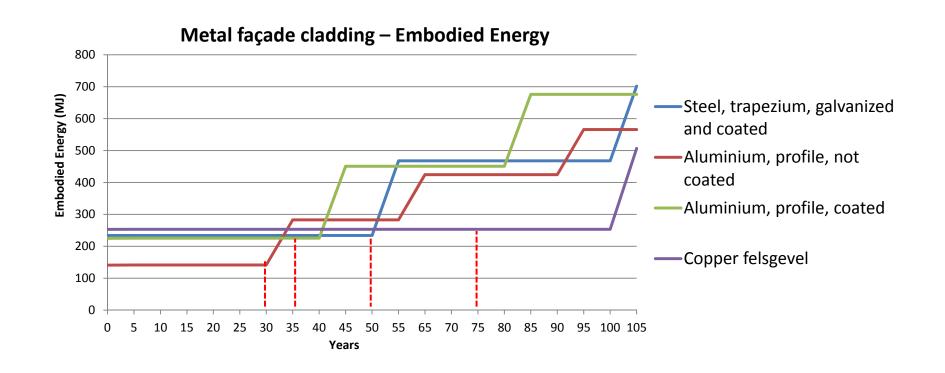
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	CAVITY INSULATION (m2)	λ [W/mK]	(W/m2K)	energy/m3 MJ	R	Rc 3,5 (m)	1 life span	(years)	per life span	(euro) per life span	Material reuse H
NEW FACADE	Glaswol platen	0,035		67	77	0,120	5,23	75	6,42	92	35
112111111111111111111111111111111111111	BIO-EPS	0,038		152		0,140	13,7	75			3
	EPS platen	0,040		182		0,120	14,1	75			3
	Steenwol platen	0,035		128	1000	0,120	9,92	75			7
	Purschuim platen	0,023		346	69	0,082	18,3	75			6
	Resolschuim platen	0,021		319	91	0,076	15,6				3
	Houtvezel flexibele isolatie	0,038		86	66	0,140	7,8				28
	Vlasplaten (incl. PE-folie)	0,035		96	65	0,120	7,45		8,63		0
	Celluloseplaten (incl. PE-folie)	0,039		65	55	0,140	5,9		5,19	0	0
	Cellulair glas	0,041		326	64	0,140	29,4	100	21,29	386	36
	Kurkplaten, geëxpandeerd	0,040		300	09	0,140	27,1	75	29,36	0	29
	XPS platen	0,038		739	95	0,140	66,6	75	31,00	293	3
	Schapenwol (incl. PE-folie)	0,035		2422	24	0,120	187	75	308,83	150	28
COMBINATION	Glaswool plates + wooden frame	0,060		83	35		2000	75	7,87	131	
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	Resolfoam plates	0,021		363	34	0,080	18,7	75			2
	PUR (pentane blown)	0,023		456	66	0,096	28,2				4
	Cellulair glass	0,0423		326	64	0,150	31,5	75		427	36
	Cork; expanded	0,04		300		0,140	27,1				29
8	Rockwool plates	0,039		401	19	0,140	36,2	75	32,21	150	7
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	OUTSIDE WINDOW FRAME (per m1)	λ [W/mK]	(W/m2K)	energy/m3	- 2		1 life span	(years)	per life span	1 life span	Material reuse H
NEW FACADE	European Hardwood (renewably grown)	0,274	2,40	10000		14x67	1,725				32
	European Softwood (renewably grown)	0,274	2,40			14x67	1,35				31
	European Hardwood (normal grown)	0,274	2,40			.14x67	1,725	50			
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	PVC on steel core	0,224	2,00			.12x80	10,45	40	100 m		51
	Tropical hardwood (normal grown)	0,274	2,40	Total Control	250	.14x67	3,765	50	571,48	6415	31
OLD FACADE	Hardwood old	0,200		155	50						

Material analysis



- -Embodied energy
- -Environmental costs
- (-Building costs)

- -Data from NIBE database
- -For life spans from 15-200 years

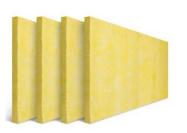


Sub research question – Best materials



5. What materials can best be used in the façade (for refurbishment) to lower the environmental impact, with a focus on the embodied energy?

For 35 years:



Cavity insulation: Glasswool



Roof insulation: **EPS plates**



Inside cavity wall:

Timber frame



Outside cavity wall: **Mud brick**



Timber cladding: **Oak**



Stone cladding: **Fibre cement**



Window frame: **European softwood**



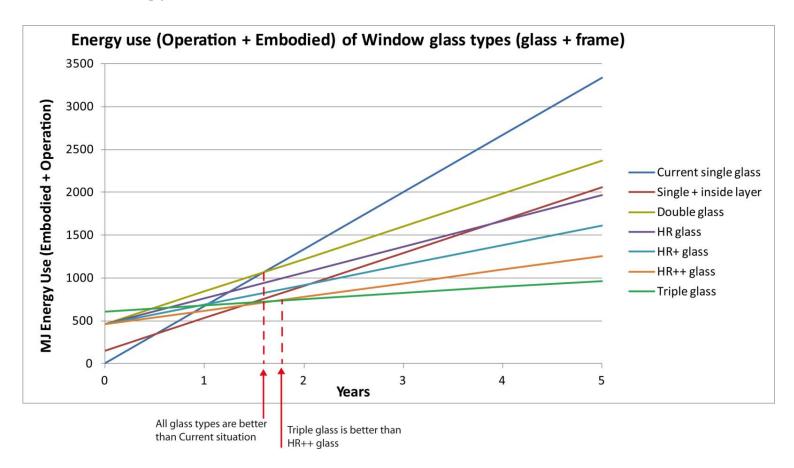
Door:

Tropical multiplex

Glass - Energy use



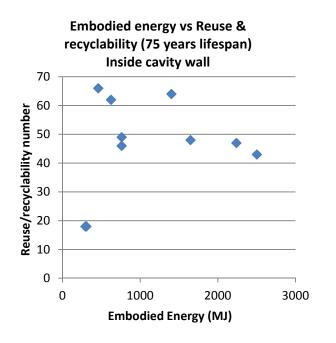
- -Operation Energy needed for transmission losses + Solar energy gain (MJ)
- -Embodied energy (MJ)

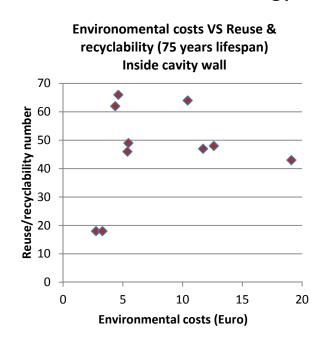


Sub research question



6. How can **reusing and recycling of (façade) materials** contribute to lower the environmental impact, with a focus on the embodied energy?

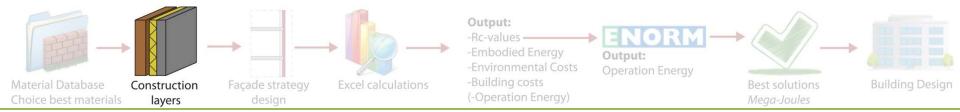




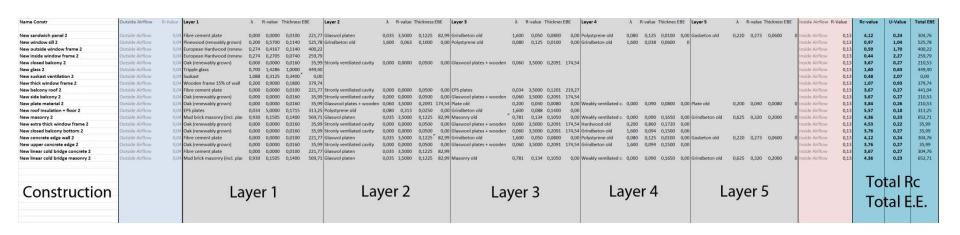
- -No linear relationship between Recyclability and Embodied Energy
- -Extra reuse/recycleability per material needs to be assessed, after use
- -Reusing existing single glazing in balustrade: 4.4% Embodied Energy savings

Façade analysis - Construction

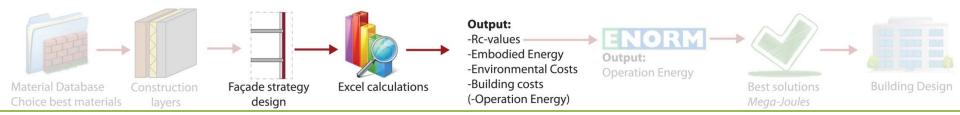
Façade design approach – Construction layers

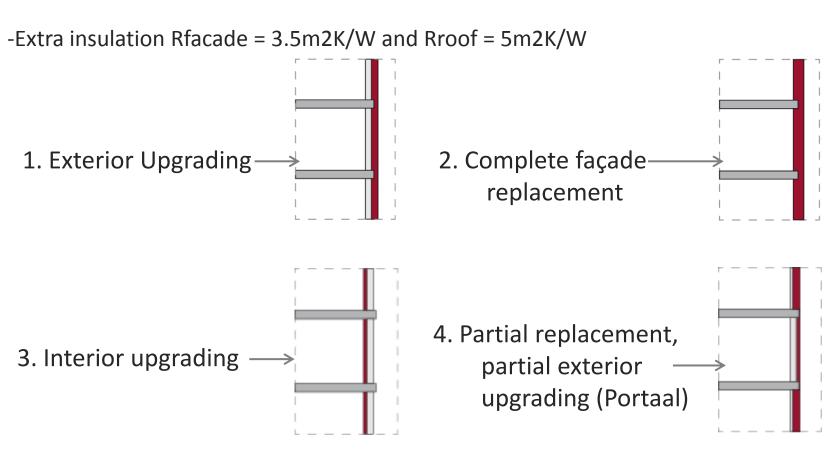


- -R-values of all layers → Rc-value
- -Total Embodied Energy



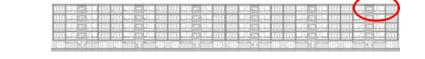
Façade design approach - Façade strategies & excel calculation

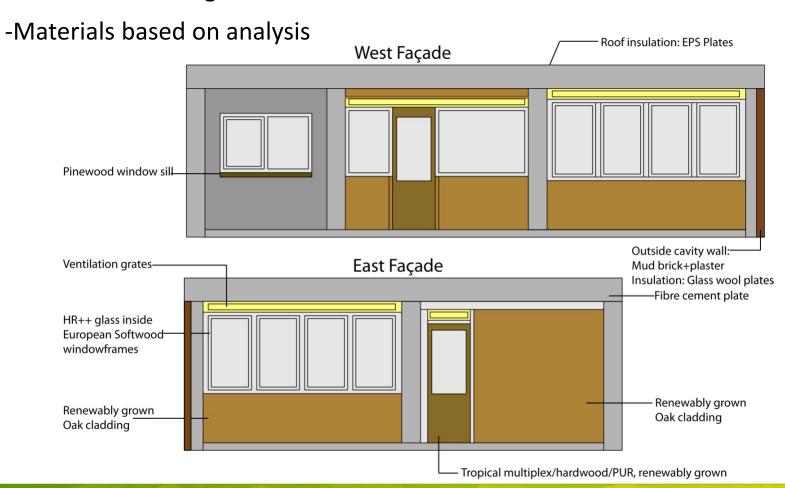




Materials for Strategy designs

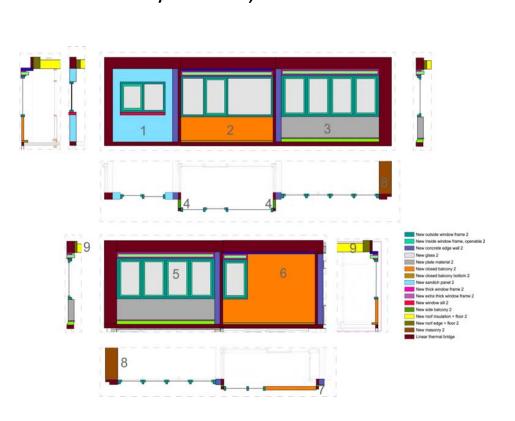
- -Top right apartment of building
- -Based on the design of Portaal





Strategies – Excel calculations

- -Simplified designs
- -Removal of old materials: Remaining Embodied Energy material = 1/3 initial, the rest can be 'written off'



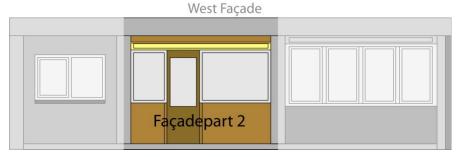


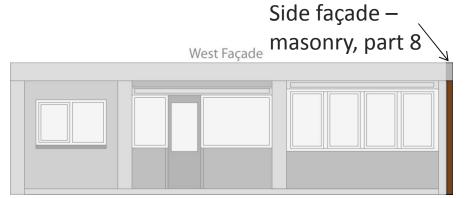


Embodied Energy

Energy use per façade part

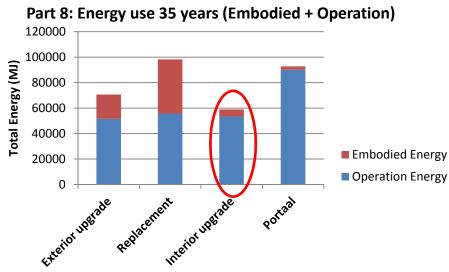
- -Per façade part
- -Hand calculations in Excel
- -Operation + Embodied Energy for 35 years





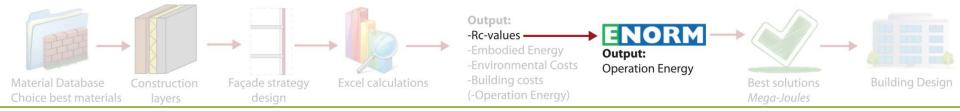
Part 2: Energy use 35 years (Embodied + Operation)

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Embodied Energy
Operation Energy
Operation Energy

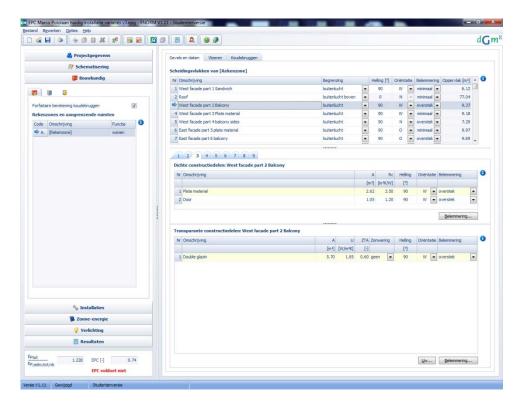


Façade analysis - EPC

Façade design approach – EPC calculation



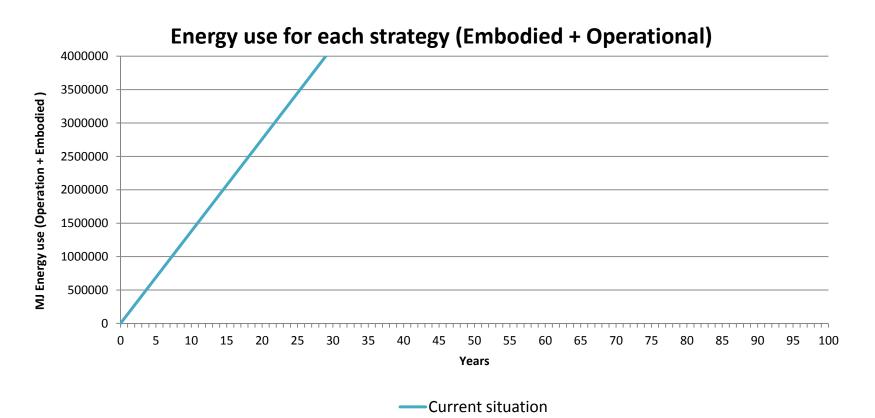
- -Rc-values and building services
- -Gives output: MJ energy use/year
- -Heating, cooling, ventilators, humidification, lighting, domestic hot water



Energy use for whole apartment

- -EPC calculations (Operation Energy)
- -Hand calculations (Excel file for Embodied Energy)
- -EPC = 0.73 0.77

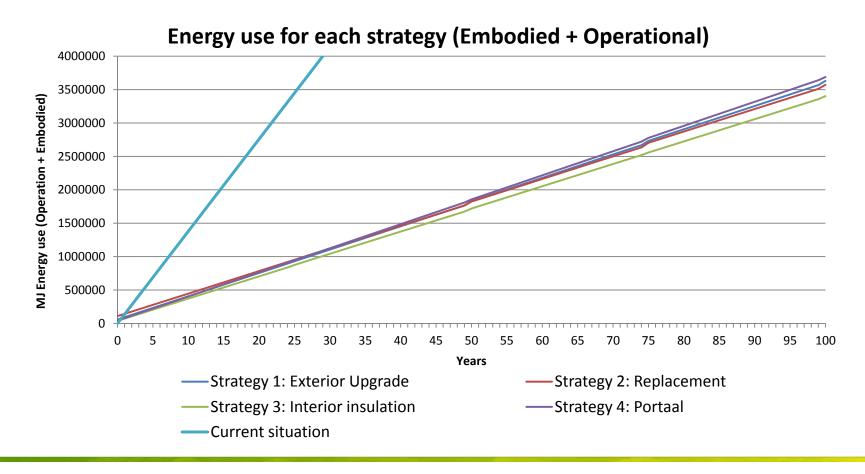




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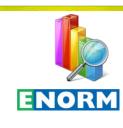
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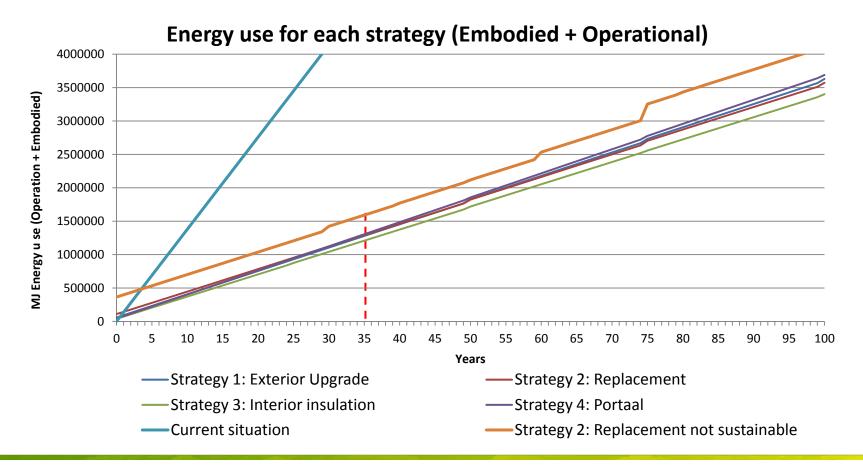




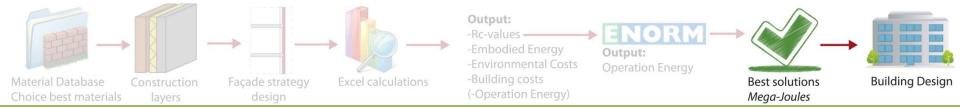
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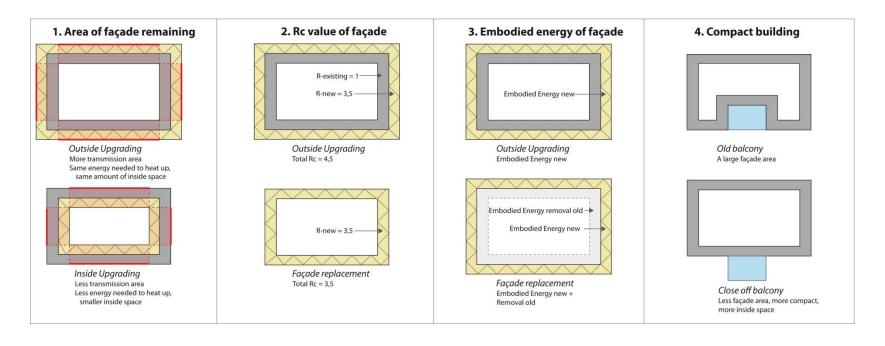




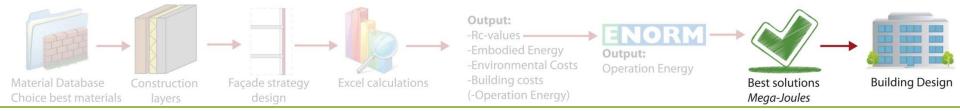
Façade design approach – Conclusions



Conclusions strategies



Façade design approach – Conclusions

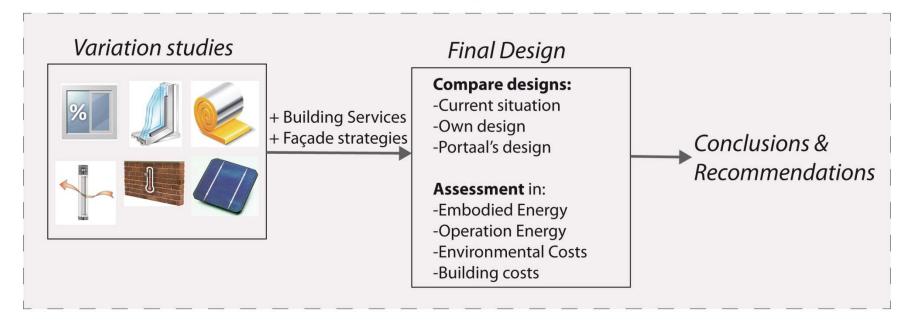


Conclusions for new design

- -Addition of external insulation and cladding, keep old
- -Masonry on south and north façade kept, cavity insulation and inside insulation
- -Closing off old balconies

Design – Approach

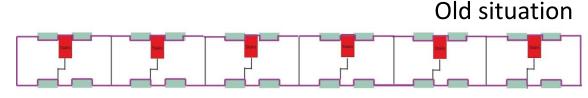
4. DESIGN

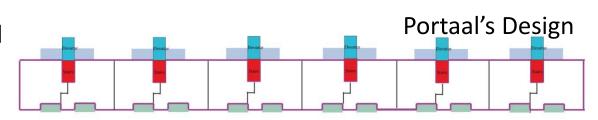


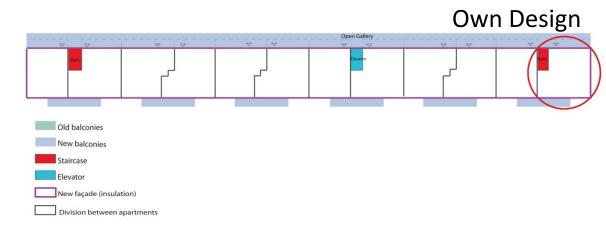
Design – Variation studies

Floor plans - parameters

- -Area of insulation needed
- -Extra new balcony area
- -Cold bridges of balconies
- -Area of unheated adjoined rooms
- -Energy/costs for elevators
- -Inside space area

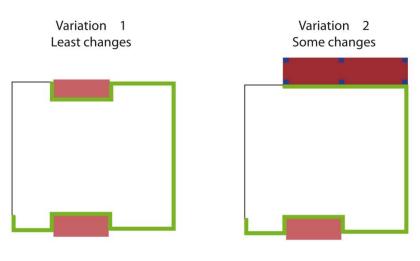






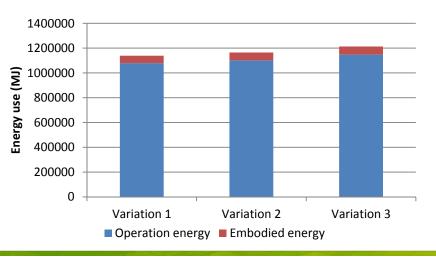
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Balconies

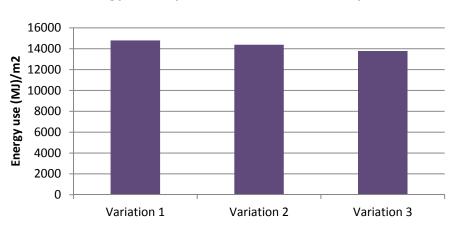




Energy use (Operation + Embodied) 35 years



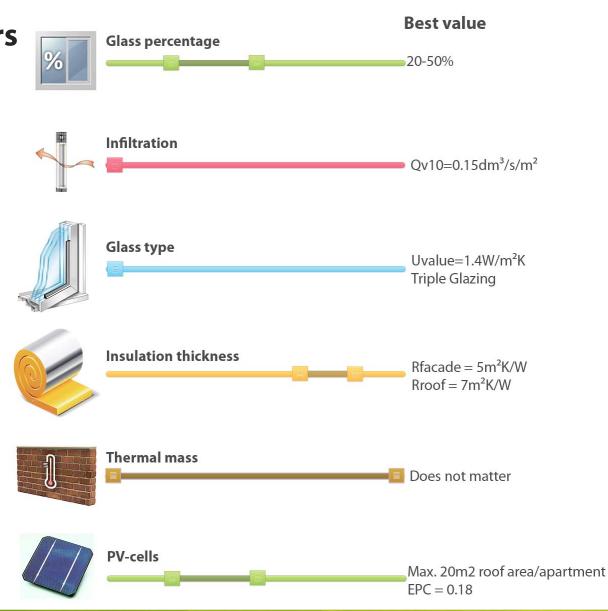
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Design – Variation studies

Different parameters

- -Calculations in EPC for operation energy
- -Excel calculations for embodied energy



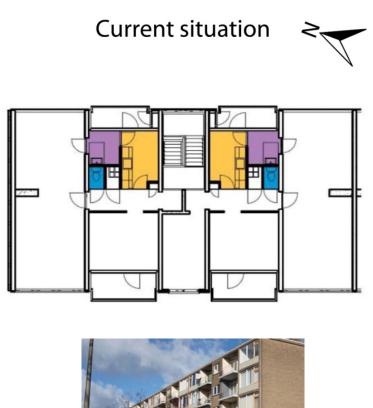
Conclusions – For new design

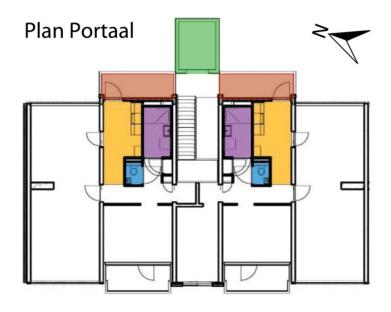
-Gallery balconies, with 2 staircases and 1 elevator



- -Closing off old balconies, add new balconies
- -Glass percentage 50% or lower
- -Extra façade insulation of Rfacade =5 W/m2K Rroof = 7 m2K/W
- -Triple glazing
- -Infiltration Qv10=0.15dm3/s/m2

Design – Floor plan







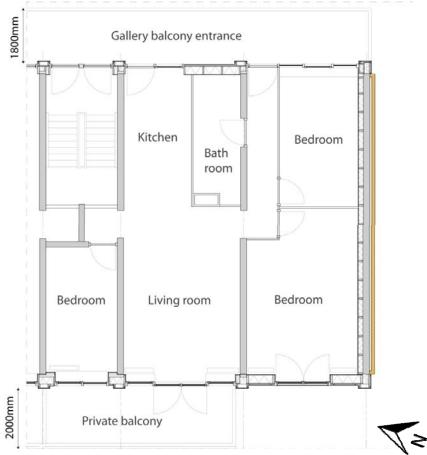


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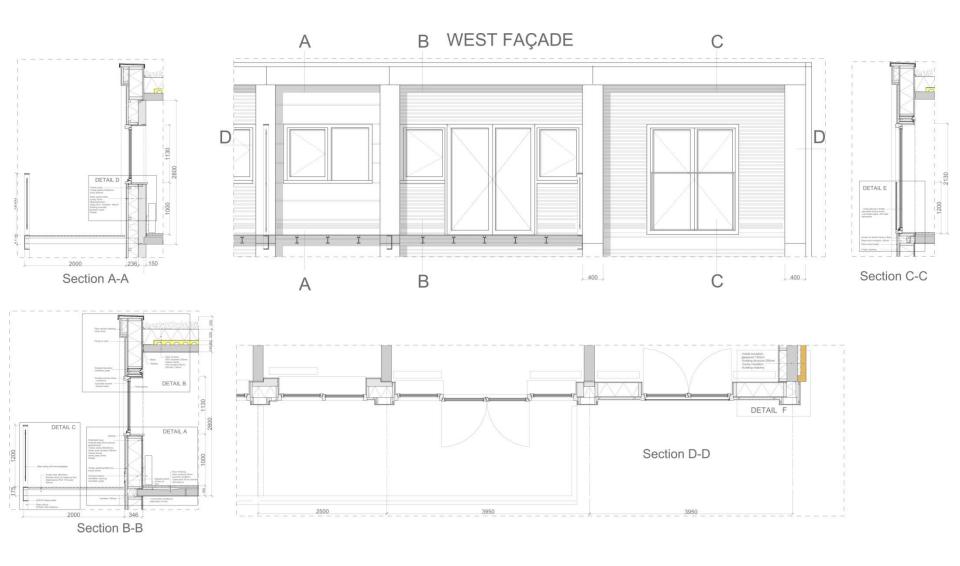
Design – Floor plan

New Design





Design – West façade



Design – West façade





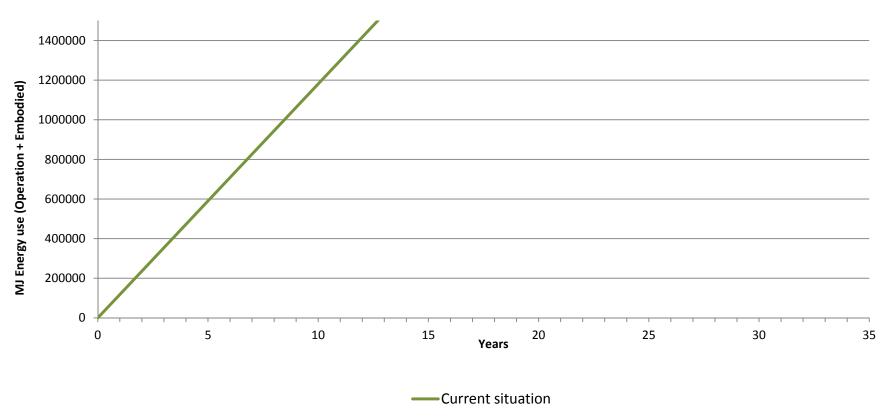
Design – East façade





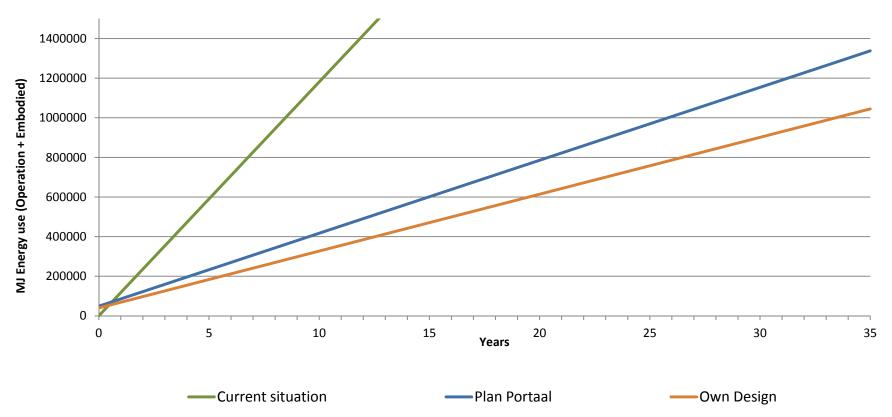
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Weighted average of all apartment types



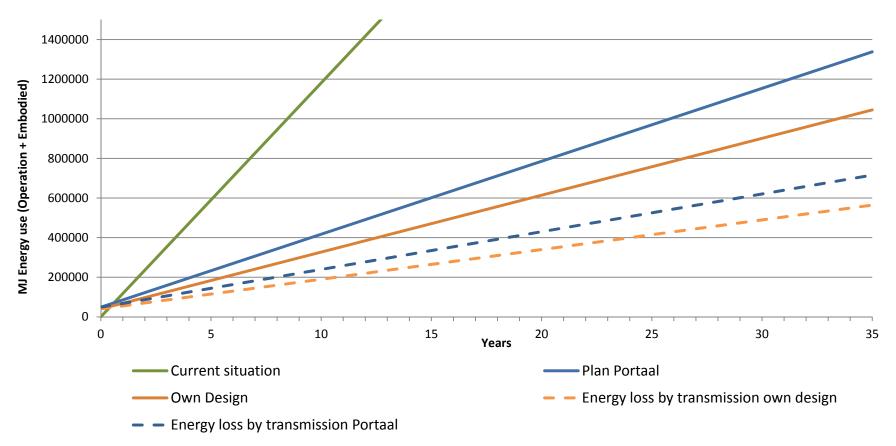
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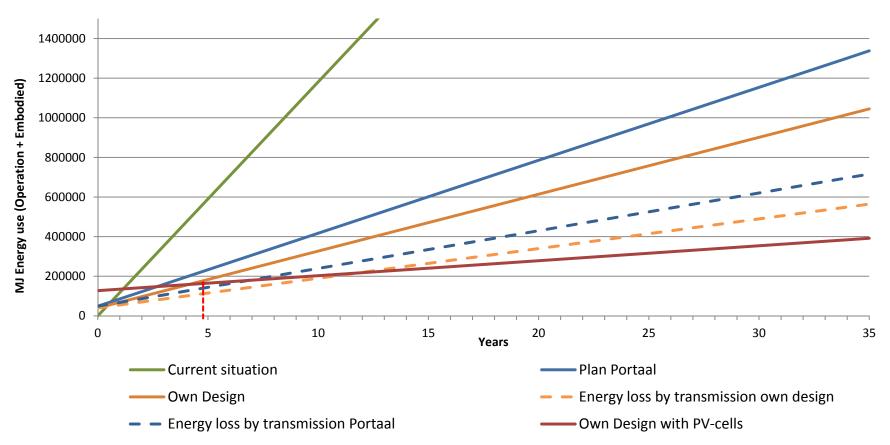
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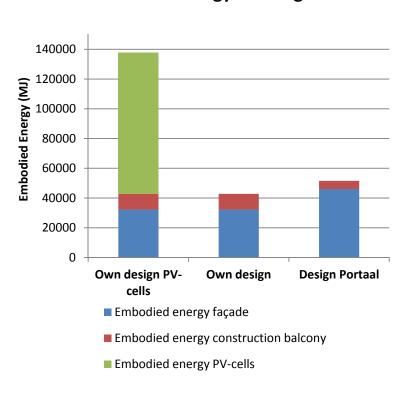
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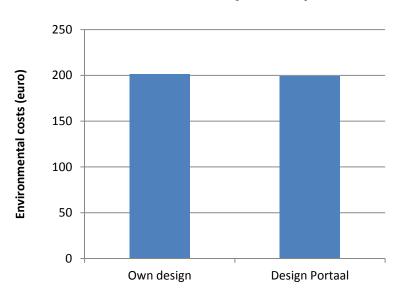


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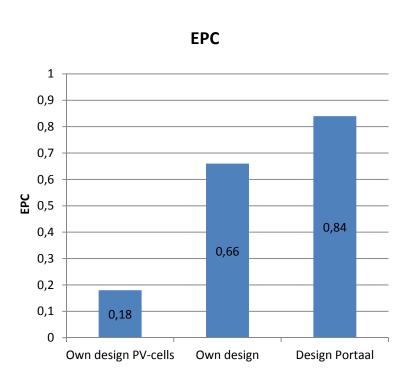
Embodied Energy of Designs



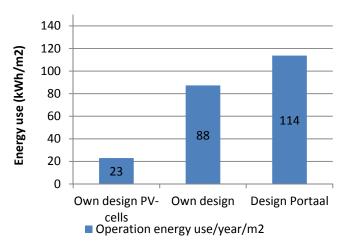
Environmental costs façade, 35 years



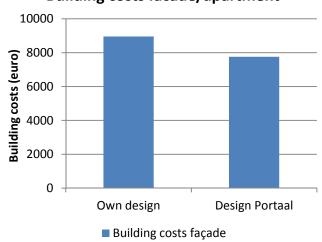
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Operation energy use kWh/year/m2



Building costs facade/apartment



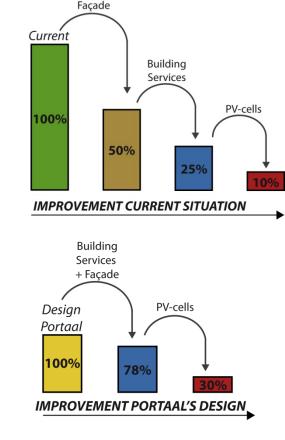
Main research question

How can the façade of a post-war residential building be refurbished, to make the **operation energy and embodied energy (life cycle energy) as low as possible**, while also considering other factors that influence the environmental impact?

Conclusion: 3 Steps

-Building skin → Right balance for: insulation, glass percentage, reusing and keeping of old materials, infiltration, materialisation, closing off cold bridges.
 50% energy reduction compared to current.

- -Building services → Good balance between ventilation, heat output system and heat provision with a high efficiency.
 Domestic hot water, insulation of pipes, sunshading.
 25% energy reduction compared to current.
- -PV-cells/solar collectors → Limitation due to roof area.
 15% energy reduction extra.



Recommendations

General

-Follow the previous 3 Steps

Portaal

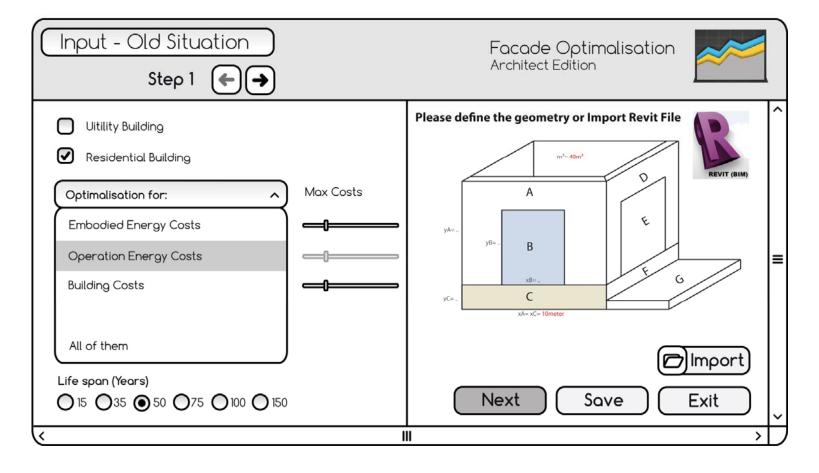
-Portaal uses good materials for the façade, but the insulation values should be higher and they should use PV of Solar cells to lower the energy use.

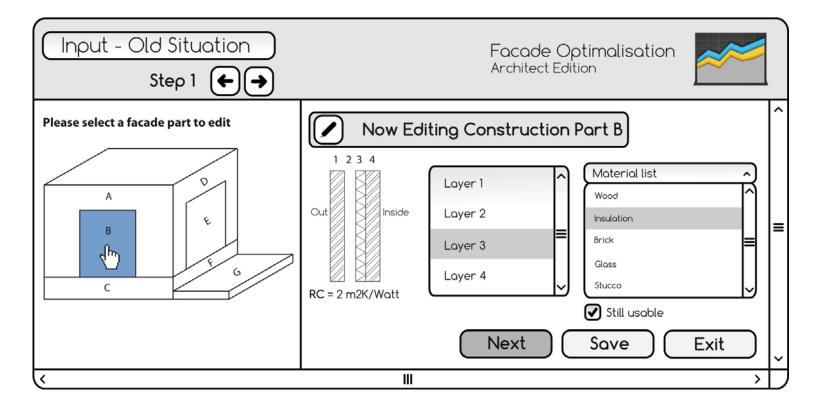
Research

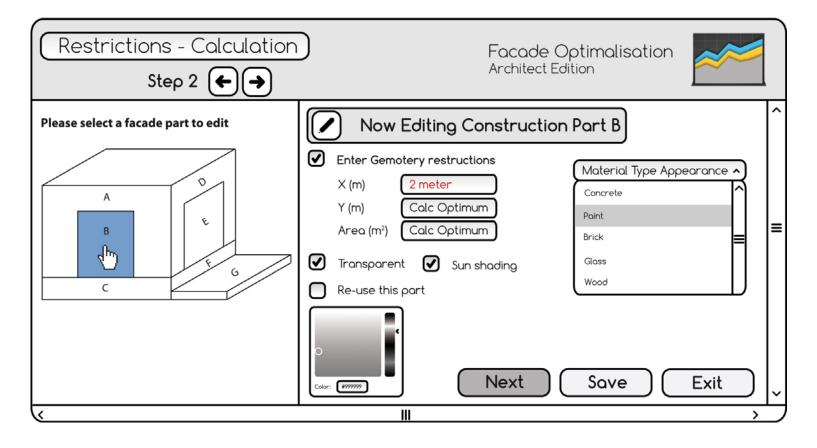
- -Other software than EPC to see exact (heating) energy use and indoor comfort
- -More exact values for building costs
- -Embodied energy of the building services
- -Demolition energy

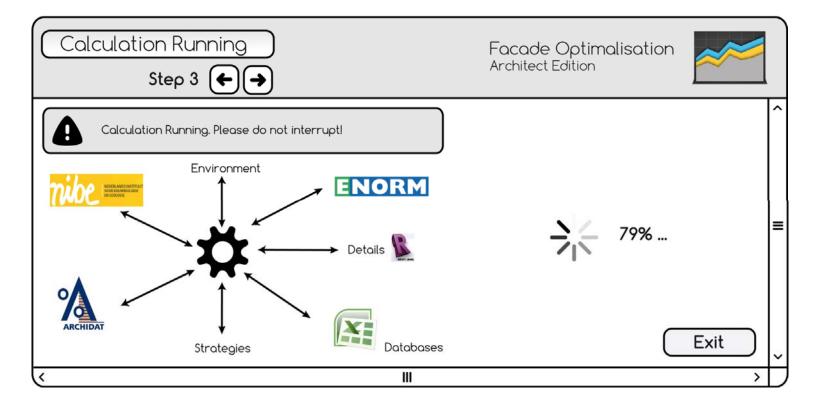
Design tool

- -Also more variations for architectural options in the design approach.
- -All different aspects for design integrated into one 3D software tool.

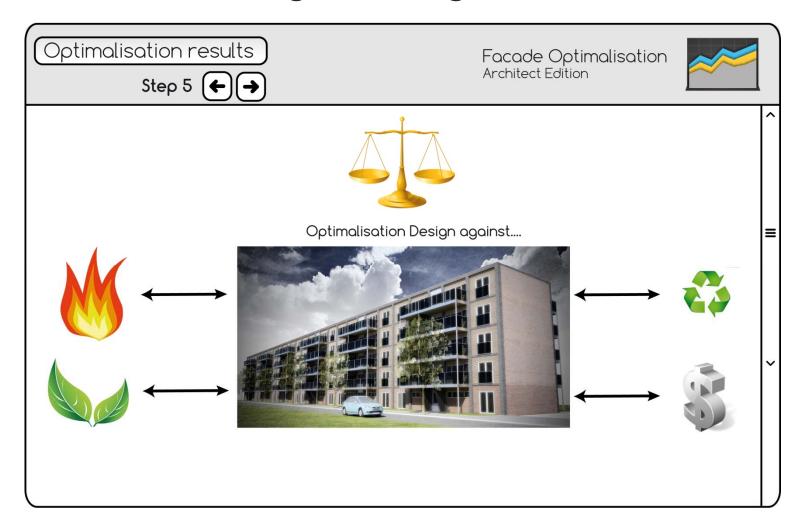














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