

# Positive Energy Districts in Austria – Frameworks, Case Studies and Definitions

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# Questions addressed

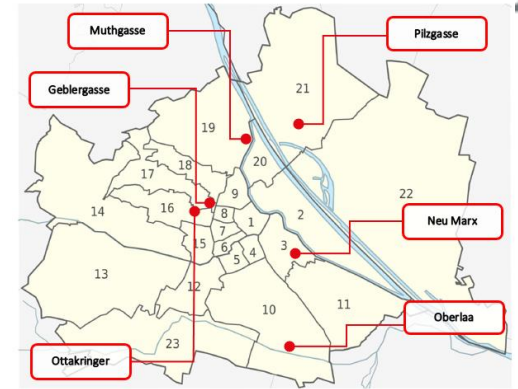
- 🏠 **How can neighbourhoods be defined and their system boundaries be determined?**
- 🏠 **How can climate neutrality of buildings and neighborhoods be assessed and demonstrated?**
- 🏠 How can the cross-linking of individual buildings and within a district be optimized in the interest of saving energy and protecting the climate?
- 🏠 How is exported energy handled and what role do embodied emissions play?
- 🏠 How can an assessment of climate protection measures at building and district level be integrated into different steps of the design process?

# Zukunfts Quartier

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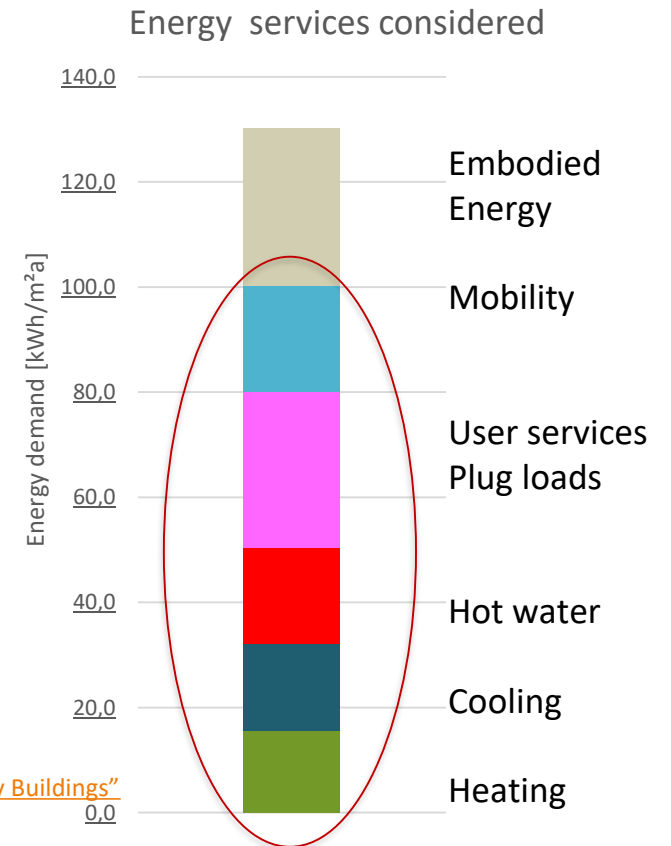
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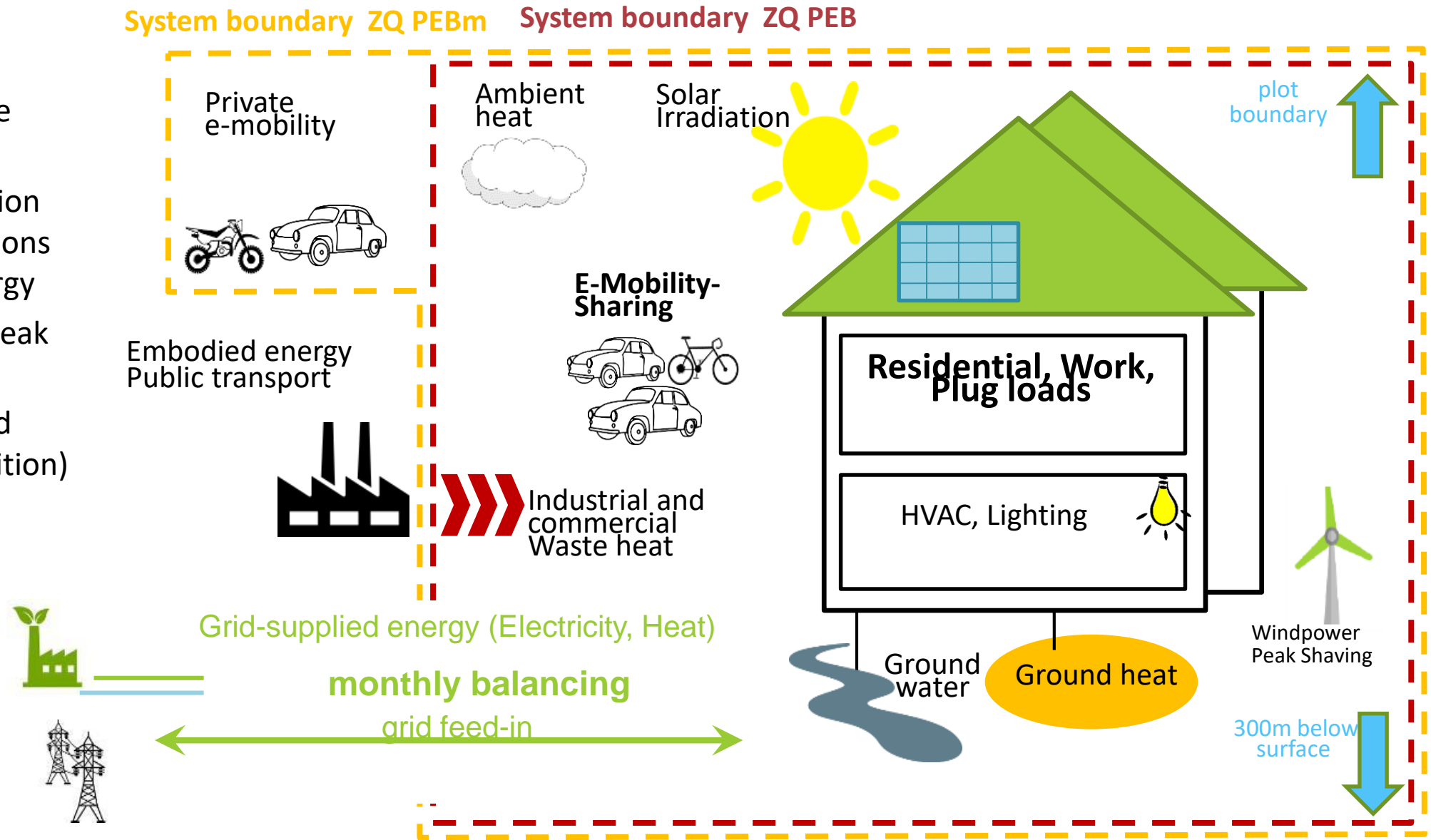
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# System boundaries *Zukunftsquartier*

- Includes all onsite energy services
- Monthly conversion factors for emissions and primary energy
- Includes offsite Peak shaving
- Includes exported energy (PE-substitution)



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- The diagram illustrates the difference in land use between low and high density housing. On the left, 'Low density housing' is shown with a single house icon on a large green 'Plot'. Below the plot are three green lightning bolt icons. On the right, 'High density housing' is shown with four tall apartment building icons on a smaller green 'Plot'. Below this plot are two green lightning bolt icons and four red plug icons. A horizontal line separates the two scenarios.

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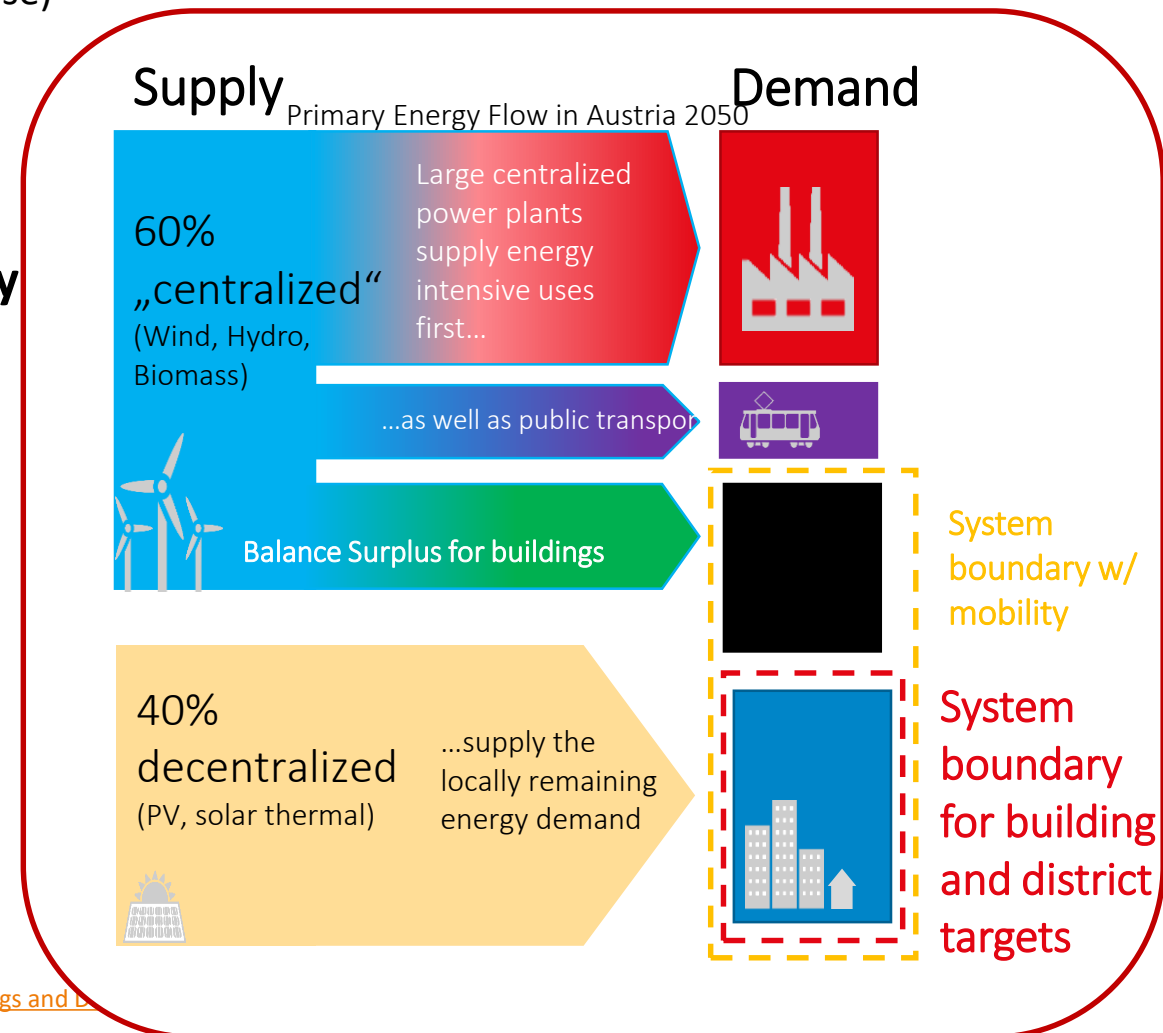
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## Demonstration “Future District” in Vienna

July 2019 – November 2021 (In progress)

30 000 m<sup>2</sup> Residential/Office/Commercial in Vienna

[Website](#)

🏠 25-30 kWh PV /m<sup>2</sup> useable floor area, (approx. 30 kWp/m<sup>2</sup> floor area)

🏠 70% self-utilization rate

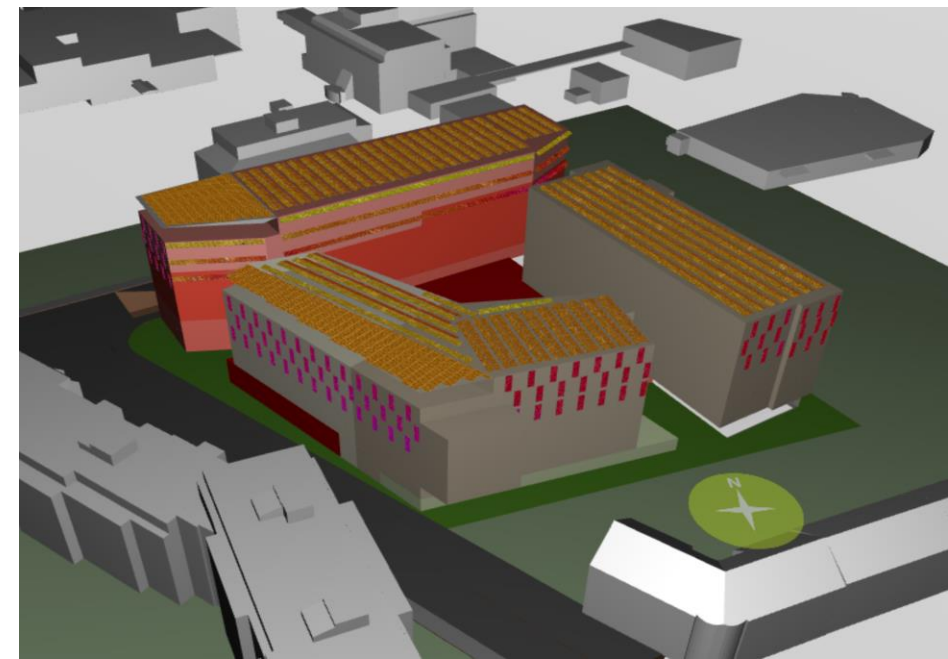
▶ Boreholes + Heatpumps + thermally activated concrete core

▶ Buffer tanks

90% self-utilization with Hydrogen Storage

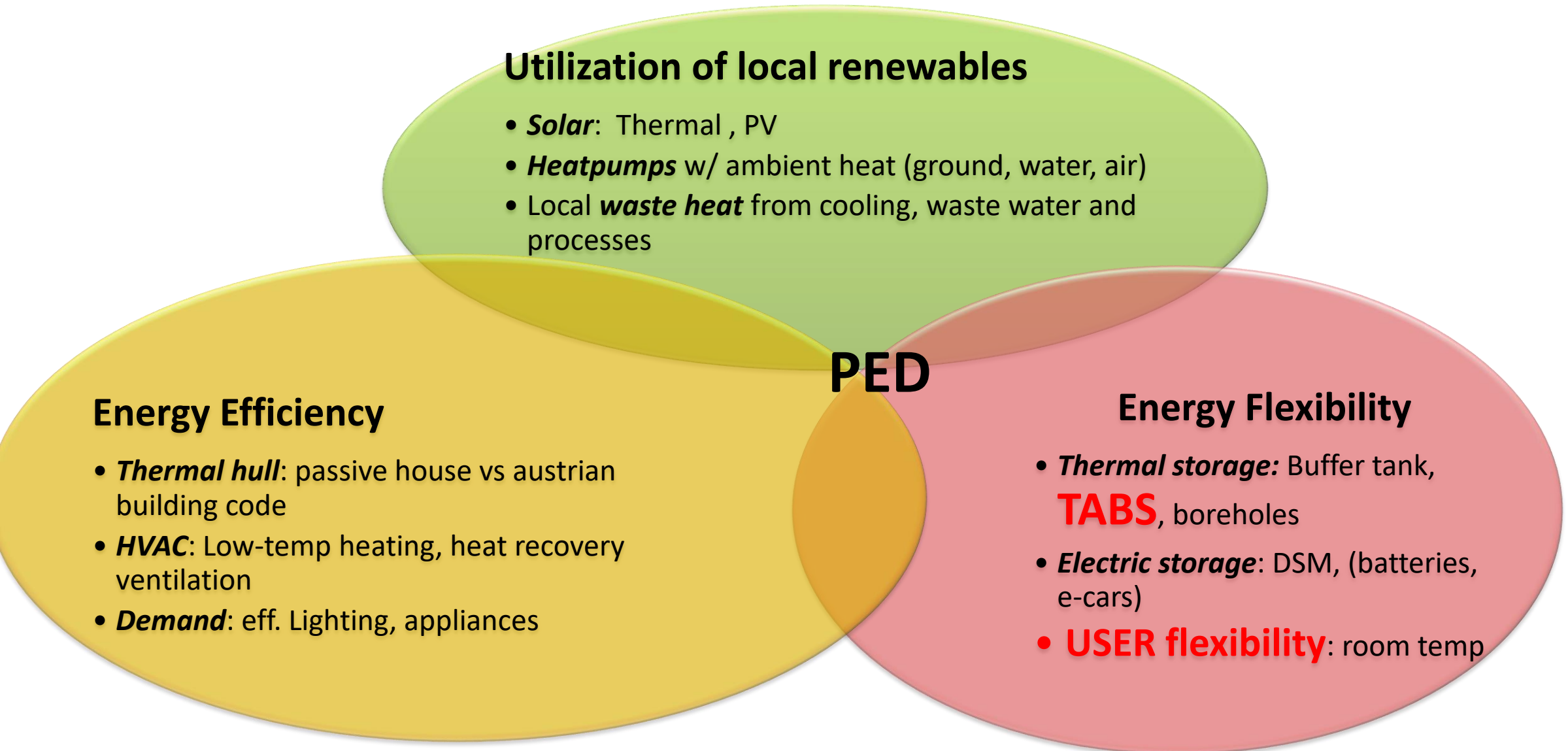
🏠 Grid supportive storage management

▶ Inclusion of Offsite RES peak shaving





# 3 Pillars for a future-proof, climate neutral district





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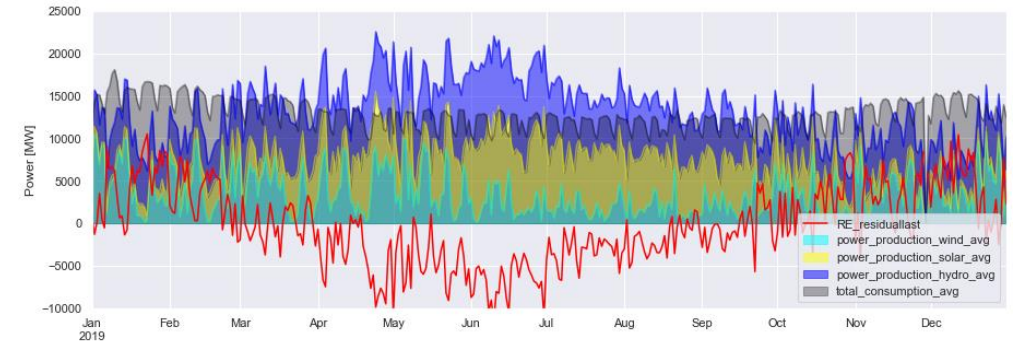
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3 Example Districts in Austria

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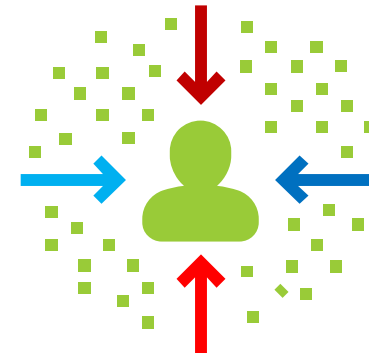
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# Recommendations for “Future Districts” in Planning, Implementation and Quality Assurance

May/2020 – April /2021)(In progress)

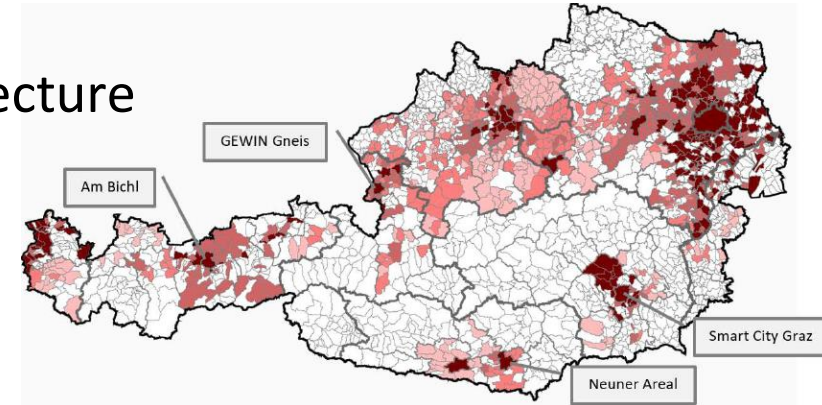
4 Example Districts in Austria’s mayor cities

🏠 Define energy and emission targets before city building and architecture competitions

▶ Architects will find enough space for PV

🏠 Reach out to public utility companies

▶ Economic feasibility relies on sensible grid connection deals





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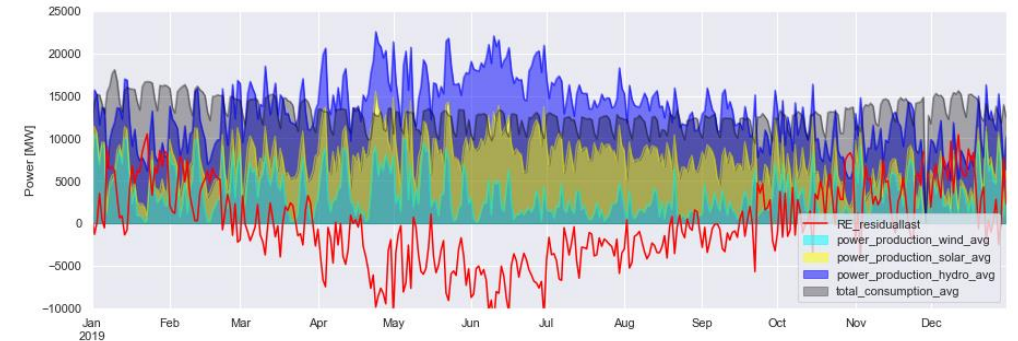
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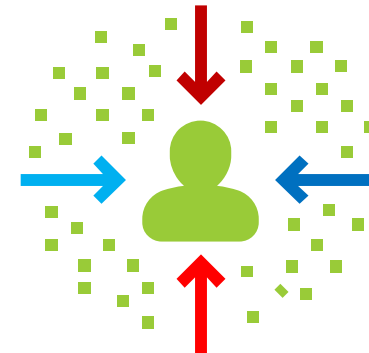
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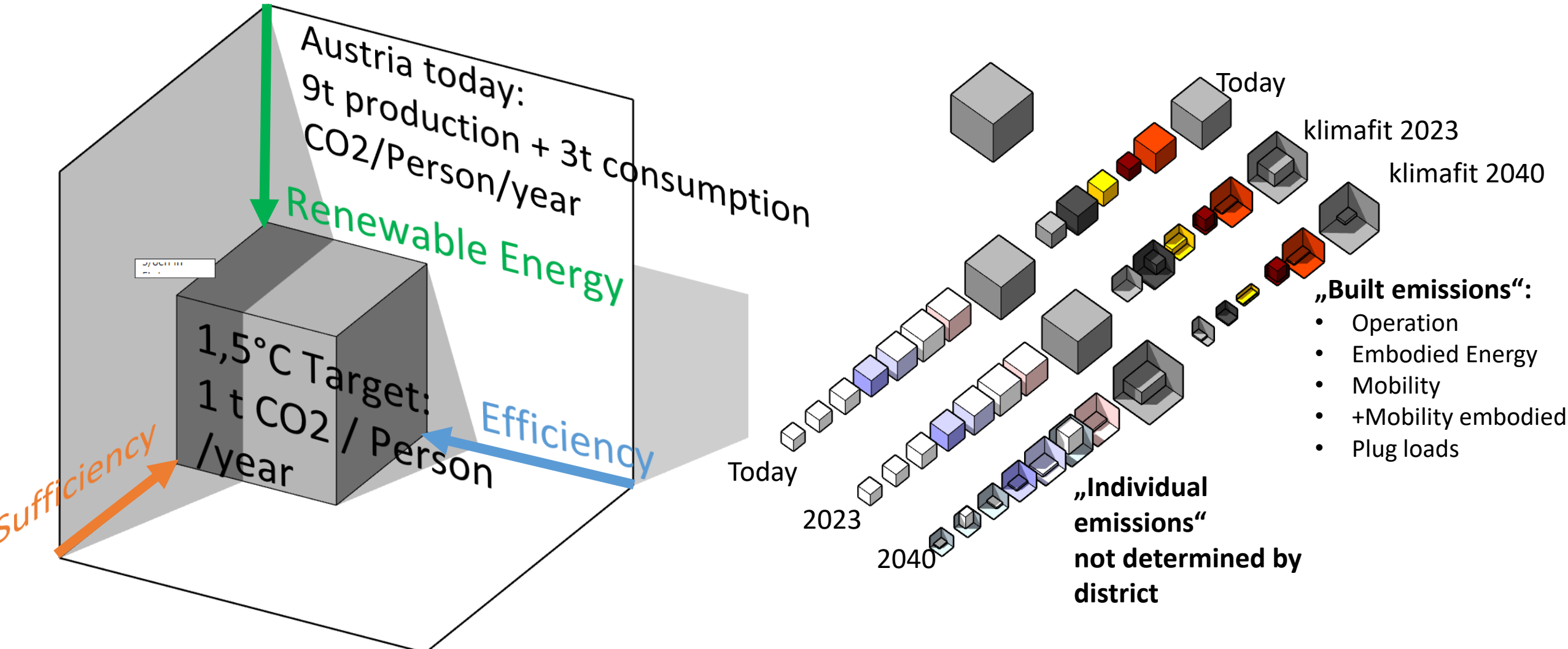


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# What is a „climate fit“ and „future proof“ building or district? Connect personal and „built“ emission **targets**







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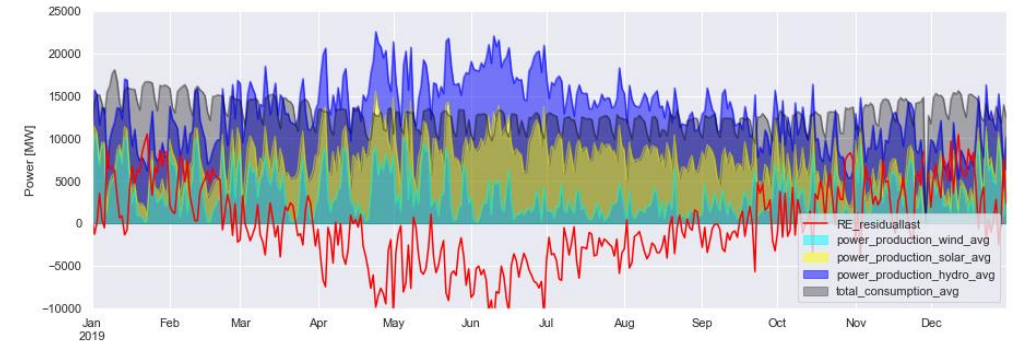
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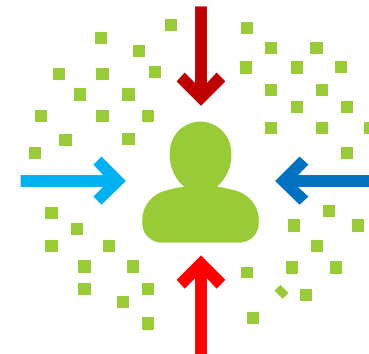
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