

Feasibility study on GHP systems in tropical Asia from the experimental data of Thailand and Indonesia

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Case Study of Thailand

- (1) First trial of GHP in tropical country (Oct. 2006 at Kamphangphet).
- (2) Four different locations with different systems.
- (3) Final operation at Chulalongkorn Univ. (Bangkok) is feasible.



Three locations: Too big system for cooling one room (Base Pw High).



Chulalongkorn Univ.: Inverter type high efficiency unit.

- (4) Underground temperature not increase 2 years operation (KP data).
- (5) Efficiency increase is 54% (33%?) for Chulalongkorn Univ. case.
- (6) Two factors control efficiency;
 - (a) Temperature gap between atmosphere and underground.
 - (b) Difference of cooling efficiency between heat exchanger (GHP) and fan (AC).

First Trial at Kamphaengphet (Oct. 2006-Mar. 2008)



DGR Office at Kamphaengphet



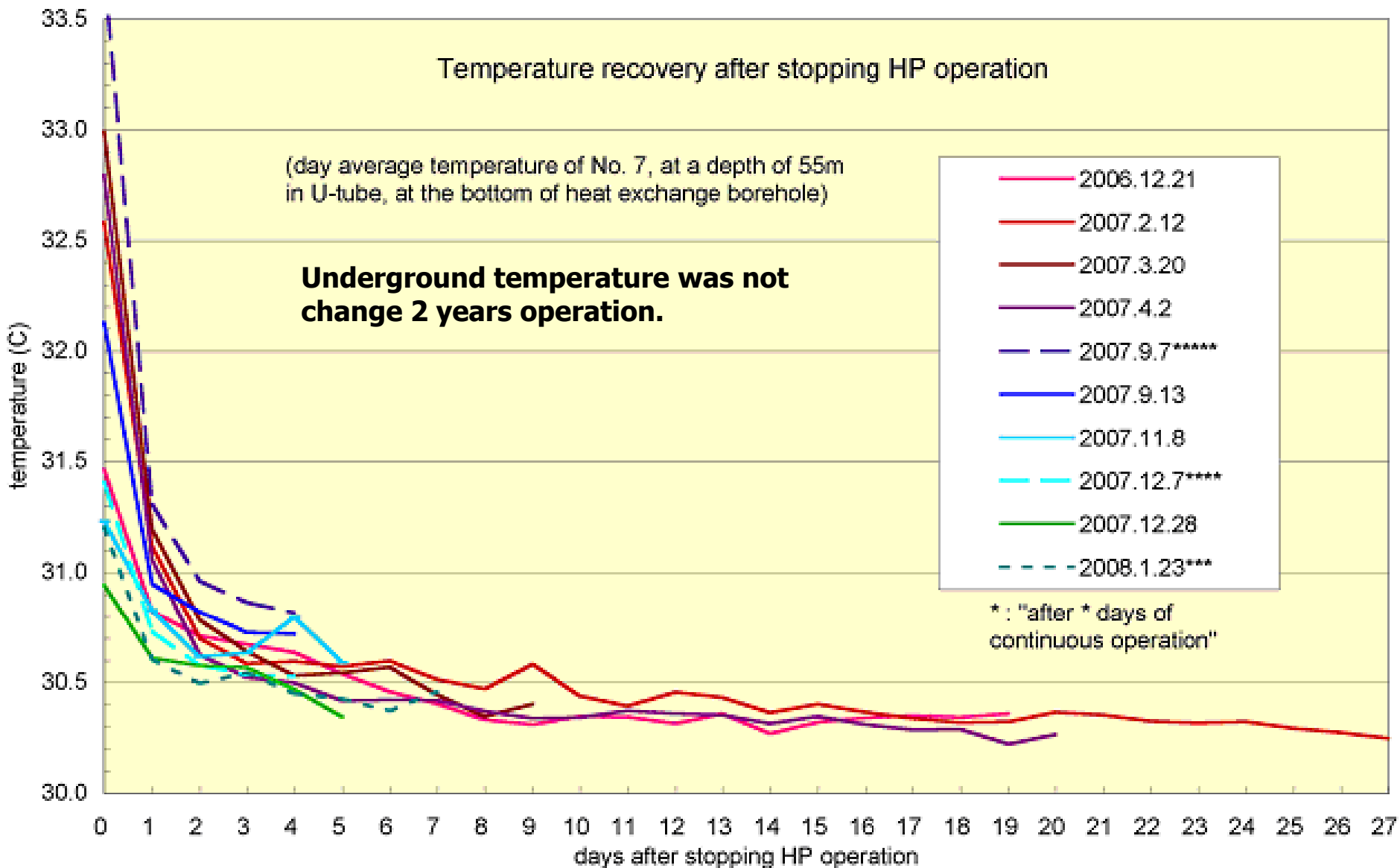
GHP and Water Circulation System



Room for Cooling (Cool Water Circulation and Fan Coil Unit)



Double U-tubing in 56m Depth Well.



(4th Location)

New Experiment at Chulalongkorn University (Start from May 2014)



Second Presidential Office
(Right Hand Side is for Drilling)



Second Floor for Experiment
(Room Size: 2.8mX4.7m)

Drilling and Pipe Setting



Drilling for 50m



Just after 2 Drillings/Pipings



Recover Now
(July 2014)



Mud Flow by Drilling

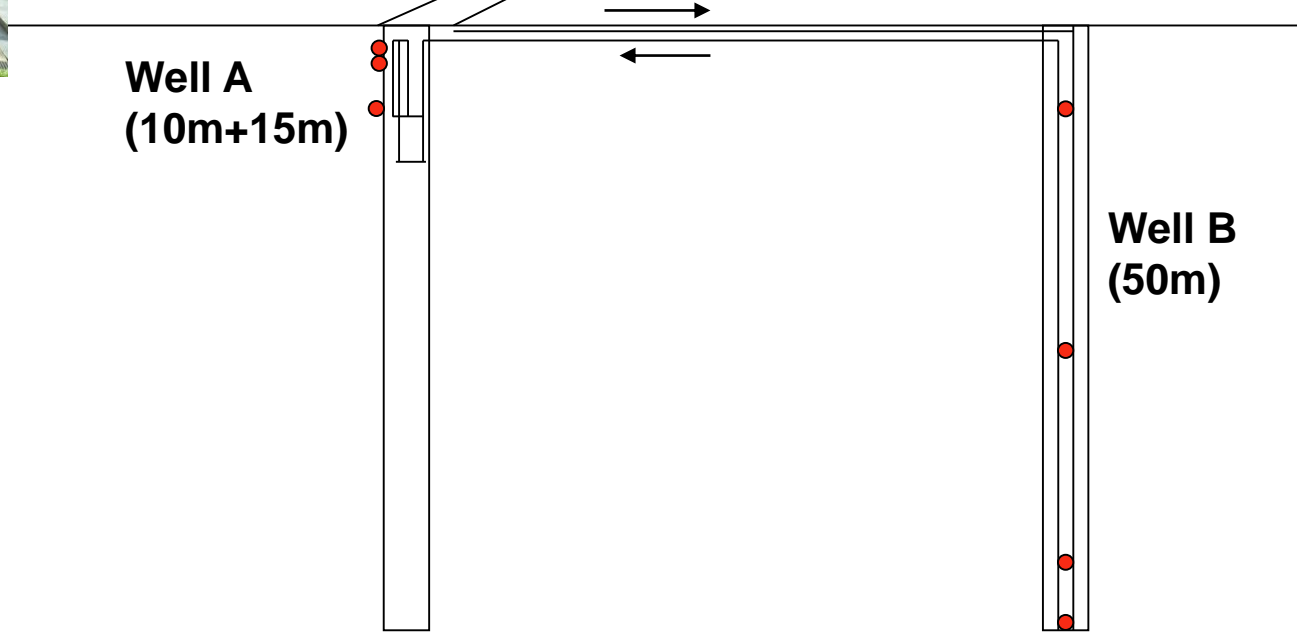


Cuttings Check for Geology



PE Pipe Setting to 50m
Depth (100m length)

System Outline



Cooling Operation of GHP and Old Air Conditioner (August 2014)

Date	Meter (KWh) 10:00-16:00		Power (W/h)	Ch.1 Room Temp. (°C)		Ch.2 Outside Temp.(°C)		Ch.3 GHP Flow In (°C)		Ch.4 GHP Flow Out (°C)		Ch.6 Well A 8 m (°C)		Ch.7 Well B 10 m (°C)		Ch.8 Well A 3 m (°C)		Ch.9 Well A 1.5 m (°C)	
	Start	Stop		Start	Stop	Start	Stop	Start	Stop	Start	Stop	Start	Stop	Start	Stop	Start	Stop	Start	Stop
2014.8.4	18.85	20.13	213	28.0	26.7	28.5	29.6	27.5	31.0	28.1	32.7	29.9	30.3	31.6	31.9	29.2	31.7	29.3	30.9
<i>2014.8.6</i>	<i>11.00</i>	<i>14.69</i>	<i>615</i>	<i>28.5</i>	<i>25.5</i>	<i>28.7</i>	<i>29.9</i>												
2014.8.7	20.13	21.89	293	28.9	25.6	28.9	29.3	28.5	32.2	28.9	33.5	30.0	30.4	32.3	32.7	29.2	30.9	29.3	31.4
<i>2014.8.8</i>	<i>14.69</i>	<i>18.69</i>	<i>667</i>	<i>28.6</i>	<i>25.5</i>	<i>29.4</i>	<i>29.8</i>												
<i>2014.8.14</i>	<i>18.69</i>	<i>22.9</i>	<i>702</i>	<i>29.3</i>	<i>25.5</i>	<i>29.8</i>	<i>30.4</i>												
2014.8.19	23.93	26.47	423	30.3	26.2	30.8	30.4	29.9	33.0	30.6	34.4	29.9	30.7	33.8	34.3	29.2	31.6	29.3	31.1
<i>2014.8.20</i>	<i>22.9</i>	<i>27.07</i>	<i>695</i>	<i>28.3</i>	<i>25.9</i>	<i>28.5</i>	<i>30.5</i>												
2014.8.26	26.47	28.61	357	29.1	25.9	29.4	31.3	28.7	33.1	29.3	34.5	29.9	30.6	34.7	34.2	29.2	31.3	29.4	30.8
<i>2014.8.27</i>	<i>27.07</i>	<i>30.51</i>	<i>573</i>	<i>27.8</i>	<i>25.2</i>	<i>27.9</i>	<i>30.2</i>												
2014.8.28	28.61	29.83	203	27.3	25.8	27.7	29.7	26.9	31.4	27.5	32.7	30.1	30.4	33.5	33.9	29.3	30.5	29.5	30.3

Yellow Italic is Data of Old Air Conditioner

(1) Ratio of Average Power Consumption : $(213+293+423+357+203)/(615+667+702+695+573)=0.458^*$
(Save 54%)

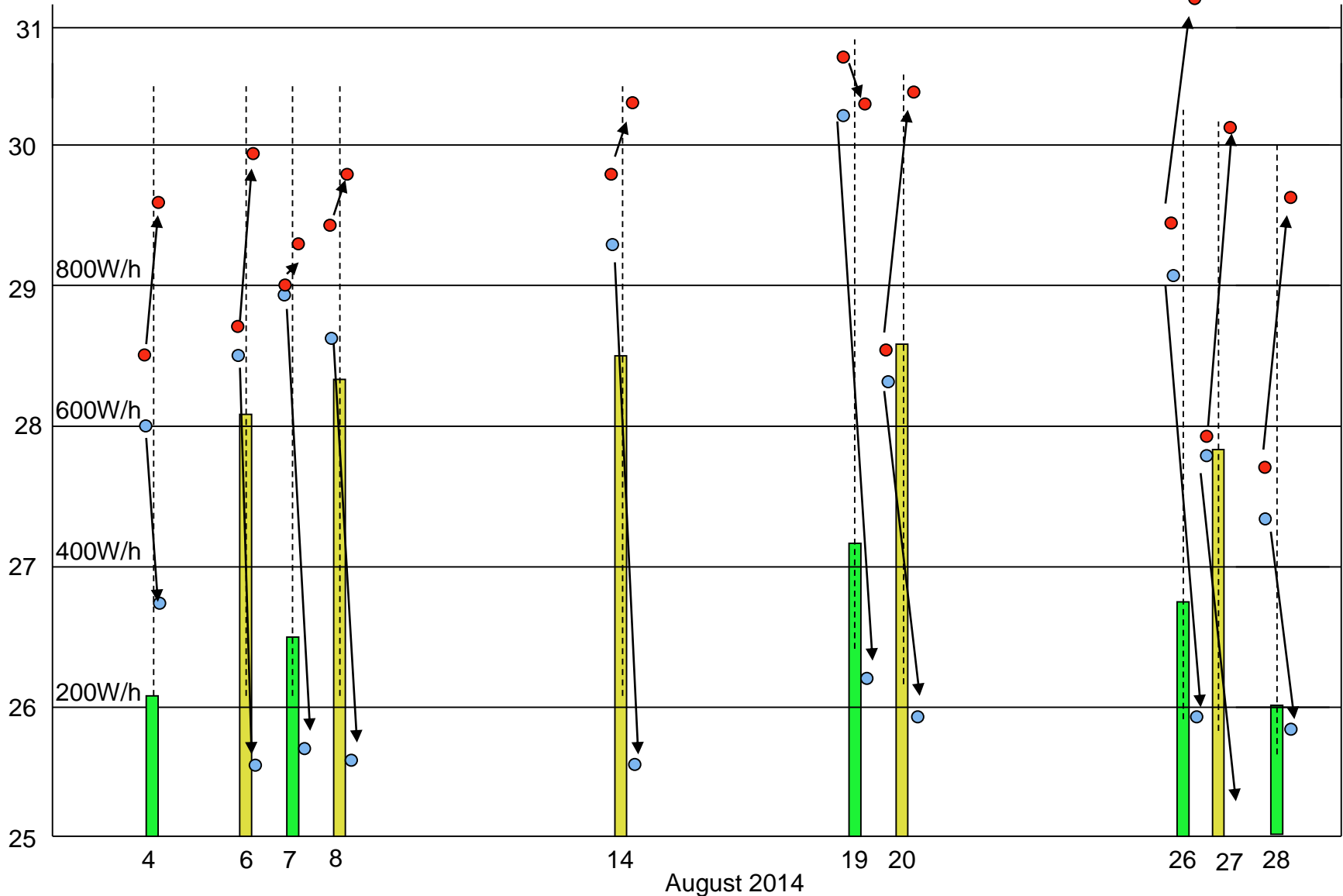
(2) Underground Heat Exchange Rate : $1.42^{\circ}\text{C} \times 25 \text{ L/min.} = 35500 \text{ cal/min.} = 2473 \text{ W}$
 $(2473/150\text{m} = 16.5 \text{ W/m})$

(3) COP: $2473 \text{ W} \times 0.7? (\text{Heat Exchange Efficiency}) / 297.8 \text{ W} = 5.8$

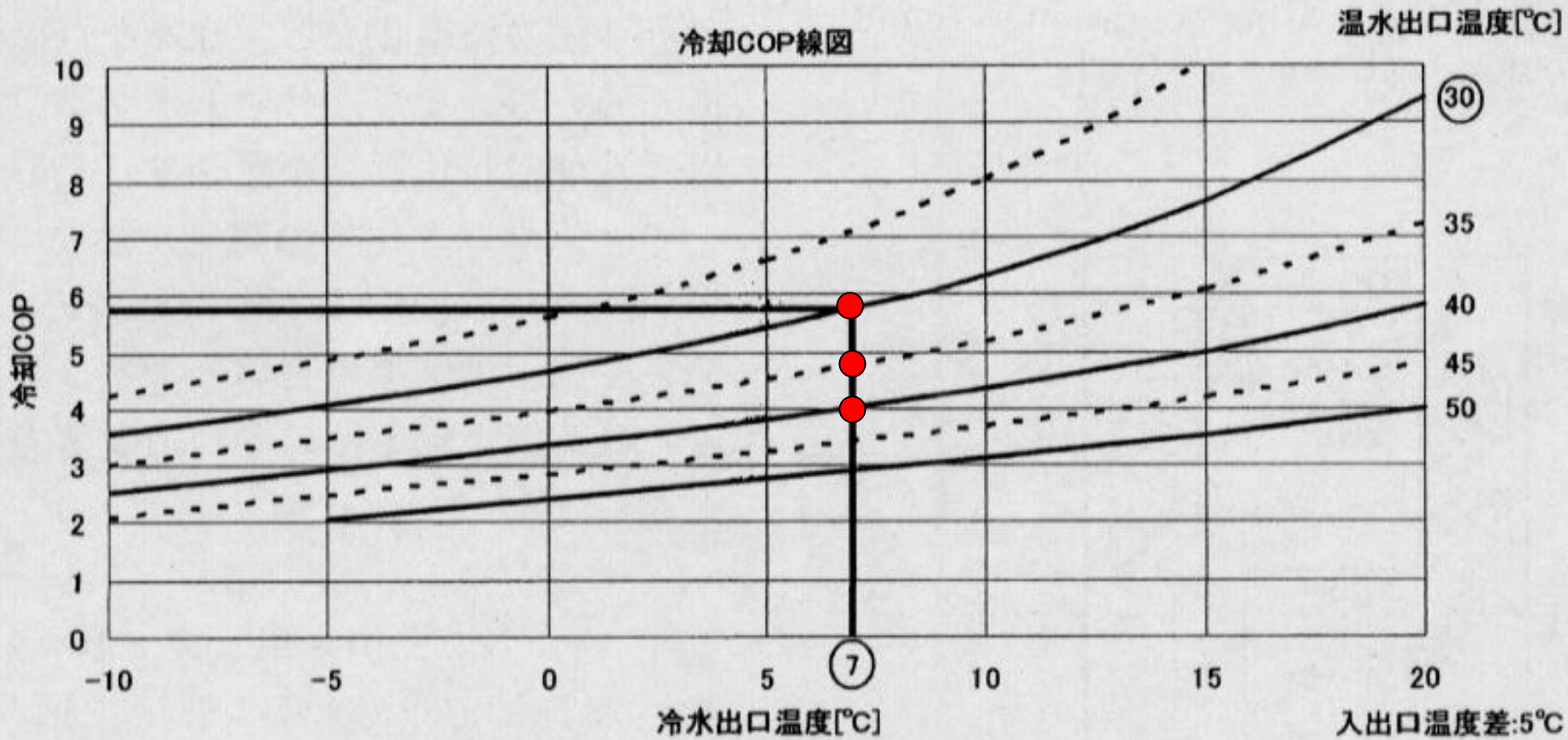
* Correct old AC efficiency: $1489 / (3252 \times 0.68) = 0.673$ (Save 33%)

Cooling Operation of GHP (Green) and Old Air Conditioner (Yellow)

Temp.
(°C)



● → ● Atmospheric Temperature
 ● → ● Room Temperature
 (Start 10am → Stop 4pm)



Efficiency Increase Rate

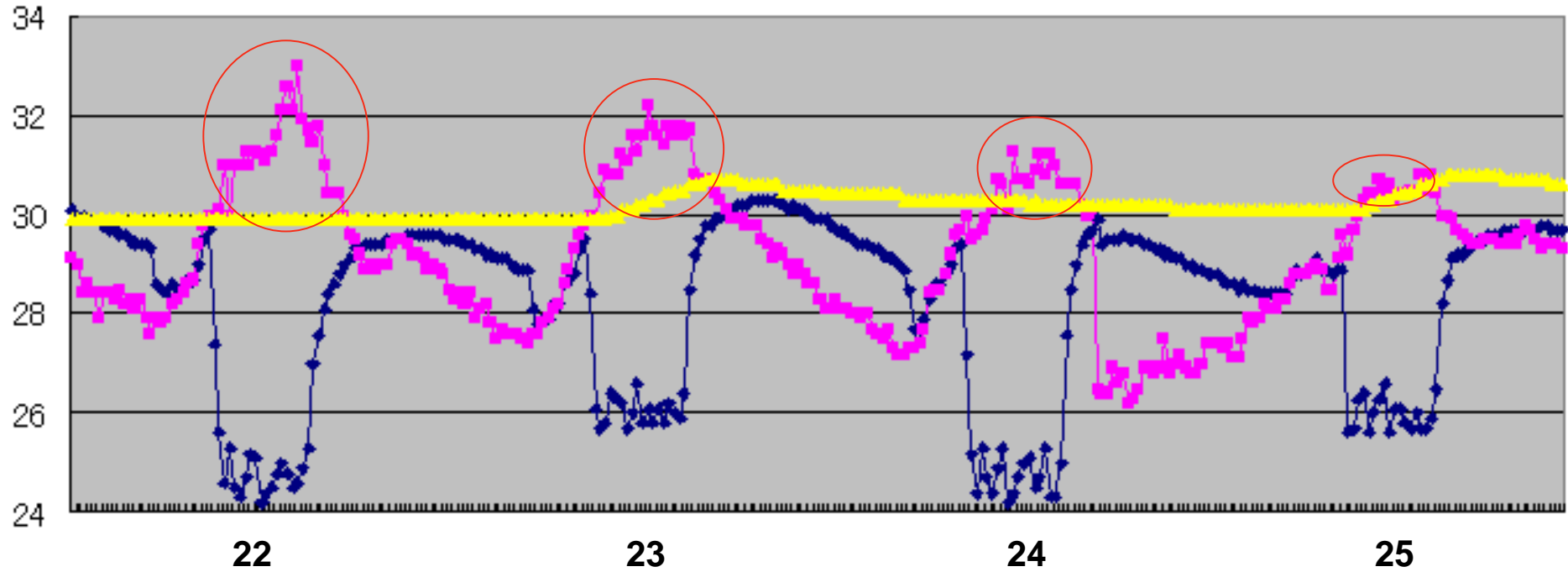
Air Temp: 35°C、Underground Temp: 30°C $(5.8-4.8)/4.8=0.21$

Air Temp: 40°C、Underground Temp: 30°C $(5.8-4.0)/4.0=0.45$

* Temperature gap is two factors (Air/Underground and Cooling rate)

Temperature Gap between Underground and Atmosphere (Bangkok)

Temp.
(°C)

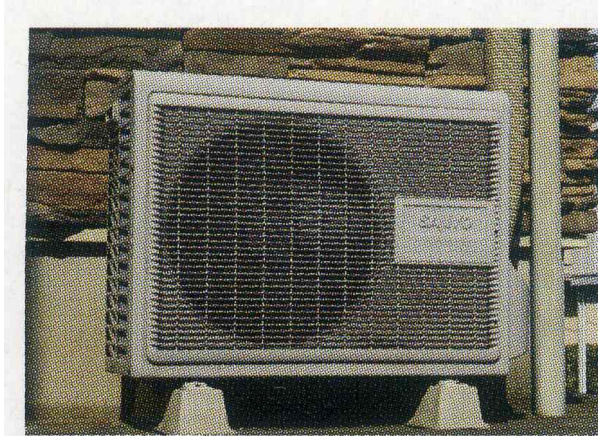


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Compare Cooling Efficiency between Fan and Heat Exchanger

Normal Air Conditioner

Compressor out cooled by Fan
(Atmospheric Air)



Ex. Tem. Compressor Out : 45°C
Temp. Fan Cooling Out : 38°C

Geo-Heat Pump System

Compressor out cooled by
Heat Exchanger
(Underground Circulating
Water)



Temp. Compressor Out : 45°C
Tem. Hex Out : 33°C

* Even Underground Temperature High, GHP System get High Efficiency
(This Phenomenon is estimated Data from Dr. Sasada-Personal Com.) .

Case Study of Indonesia

- (1) Experimental site is Bandung Institute of Technology (ITB).
- (2) Shallow horizontal piping (1m-1.5m Depth, 200m Long).
- (3) Modify normal AC (Cooling Fan to Heat Exchanger).
- (4) Almost all parts from Indonesia (Technique also).
- (5) Very low system cost (around 900US\$).
- (6) Energy shortage is about 25%.
- (7) No underground temperature change is observed for over 2 years operation.

Make Underground Piping



Make a trench of 25m length 1.5m depth by 2 days work of 5 peoples

Slinky-coil Type Piping dept at 1.5m with 100m length

Another 100m piping at 1m depth

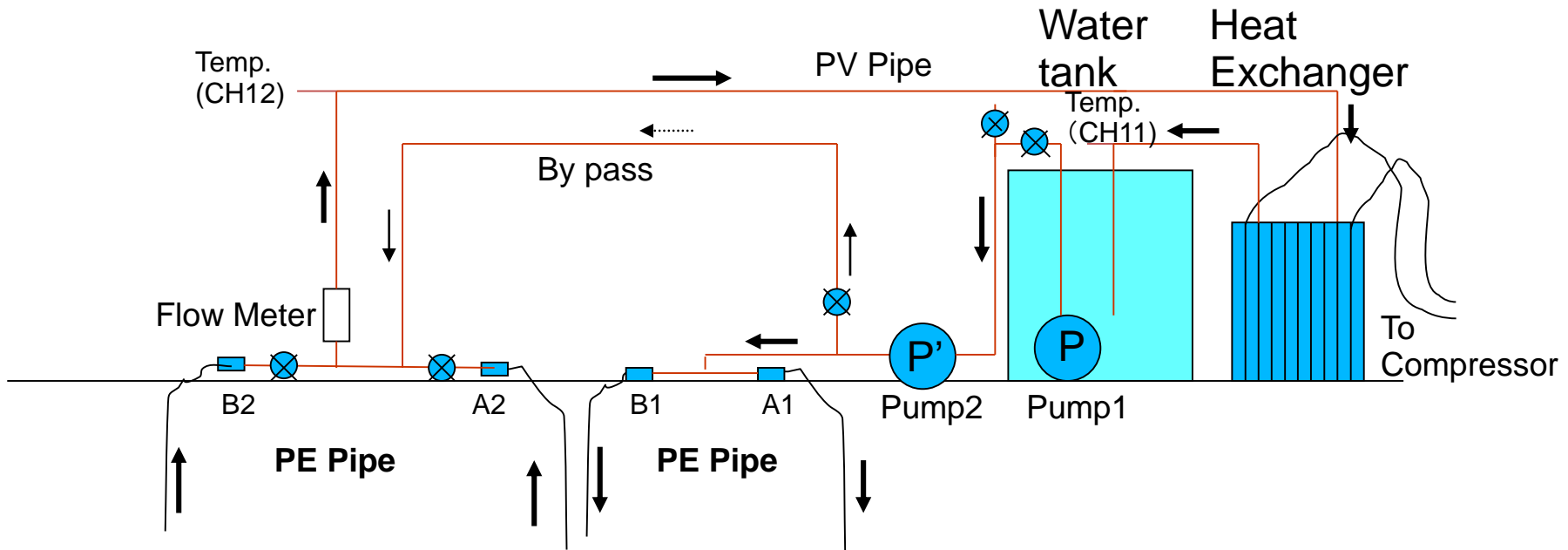
Modify for Normal Air Condition Machine



Air Cooling Part is Put into Water of Underground Circulation (Late change to Heat Exchanger)

Room Facility is not Change

Outline of Surface Piping





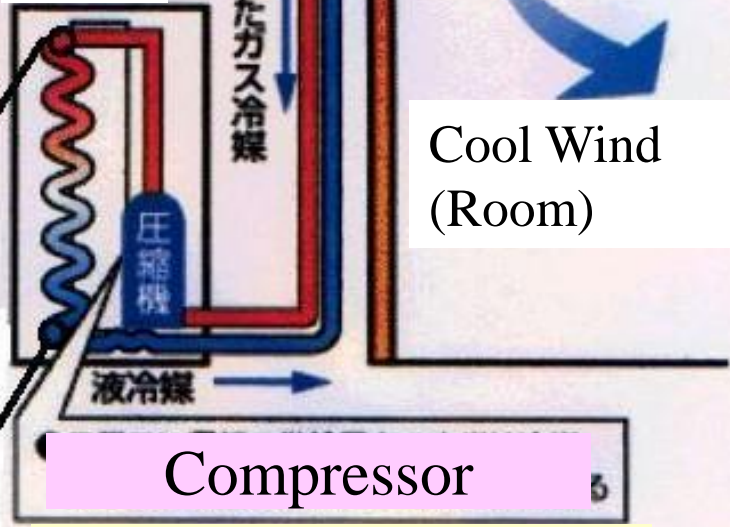
Normal Air Conditioner

Increase Efficiency by Use of Heat Exchanger
*Fan Cooling of Normal Air Conditioner: Low Cooling Efficiency.
*Heat Exchange Cooling of GHP: High Cooling Efficiency (up to 5°C? lower than fan cooling)

Normal Air Conditioner

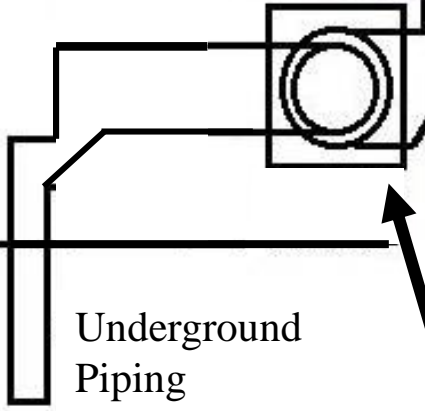


GHP



Cool Wind (Room)

Compressor
Heat Pump Equivalent



Replace to Heat Exchanger



*** Only change piping line of outer unit**

Cooling by Heat Exchanger



Cooling Fluid

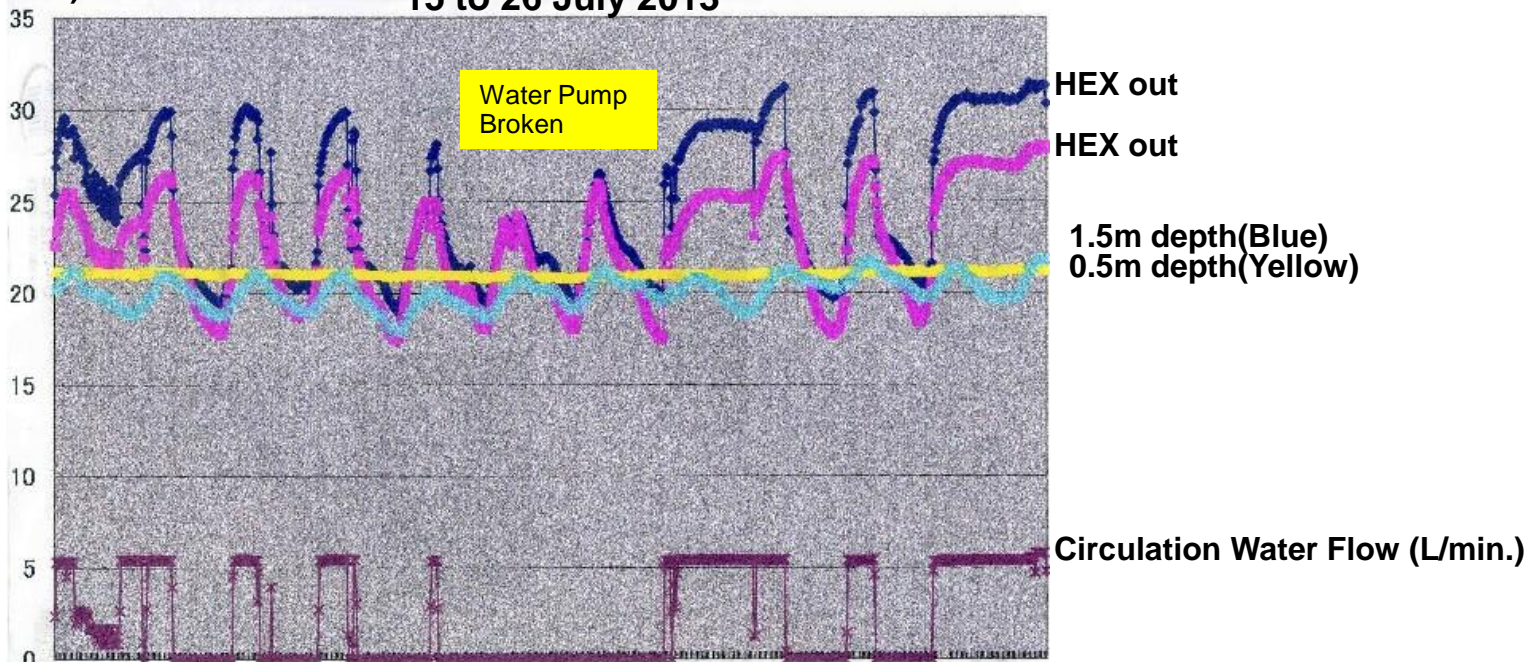
Underground
Circulation Water

Plate Type Heat
Exchanger

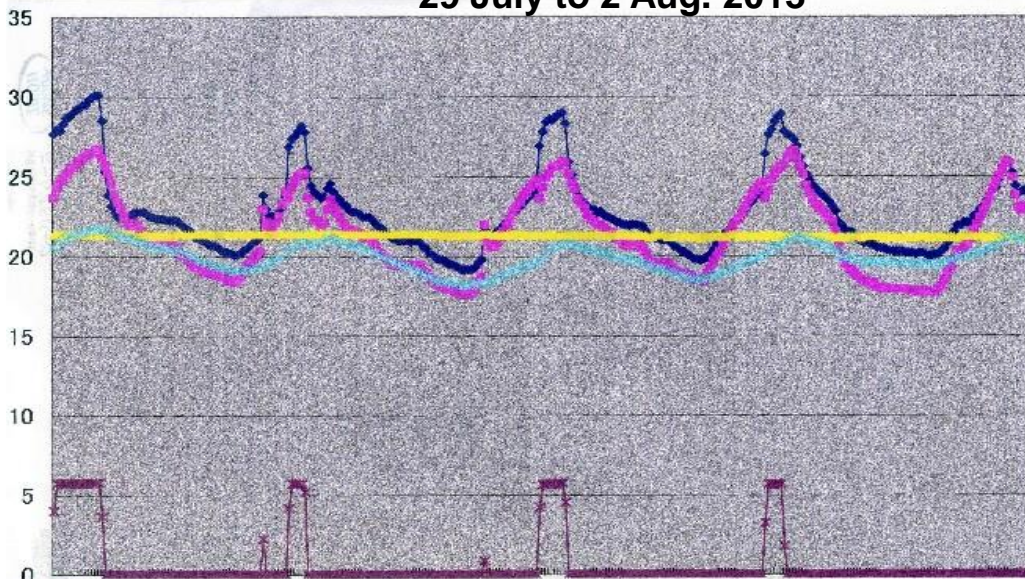
Co-axial Type
Heat Exchanger

Temp.(°C)/Water Flow (L/min.)

15 to 26 July 2013



29 July to 2 Aug. 2013



Efficiency of GHP System

29 May 2013 (9:15-15:15)	30 May 2013 (9:55-15:25)
A(GHP) 3.98kWh B(Conv) 5.35kWh	A(GHP) 3.38kWh B(Conv) 4.52kWh
Efficiency A/B=0.74	Efficiency A/B=0.75

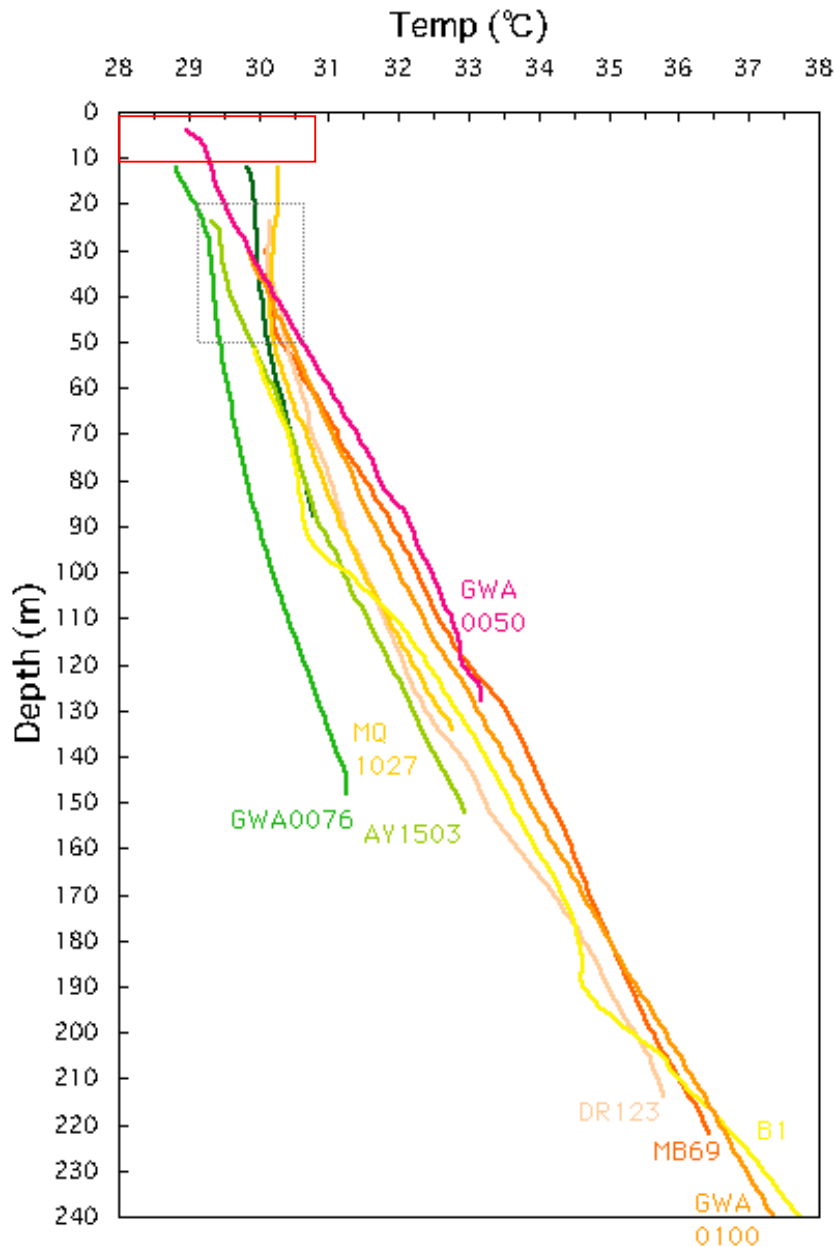
Temperature and Water Flow Rate of Cooling Operation

Basic Cost for System

Trench (25x0.8x1.5m)	: Rp2,500,000 (21,500yen)	
PE Pipe (200m)	: Rp1,200,000 (10,320yen)	
Circulation Pump (GFus)	: Rp1,120,000 (9,630yen)	
Water Pool (150L)	: Rp 279,800 (2,410yen)	
Piping Parts	: Rp 500,000 (4,300yen)	
Heat Exchanger		40,000yen
Total (1,000Rp=8.6yen)		<u>88,160yen (Ca.900US\$)</u>

***Exclude AC and Instruments for Measurement (for Experiment)**

Cost and Efficiency



* Underground Temperatures are Low in Shallow Depth (We need low temperature).

* In Tropical Area, Horizontal Piping System has advantages both Cost and Performance (Water level is another factor).

Uchida et al. (2009)

Underground Temperatures near Bangkok, Thailand

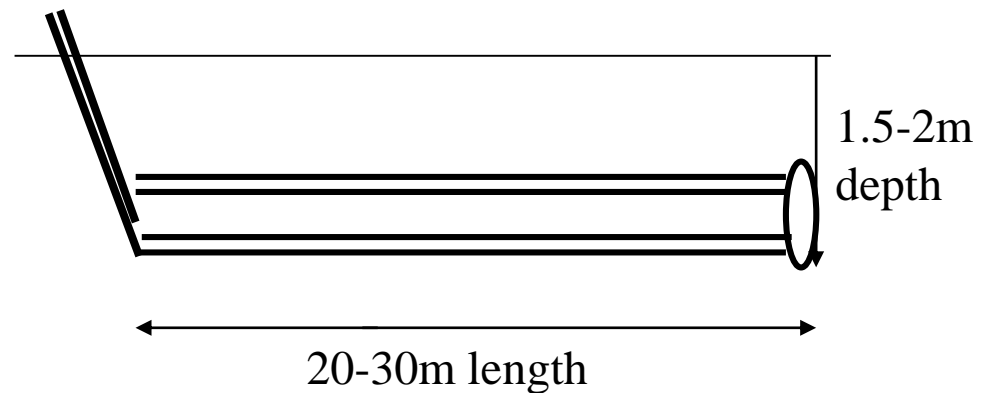
Try to piping by narrow trench system for keep environment



Narrow trench
(45+15cm
width)



**Dump soil damage the plants
(Case of ITB, Indonesia)**

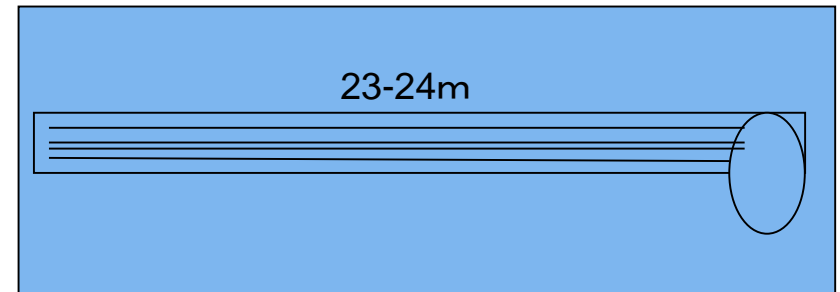
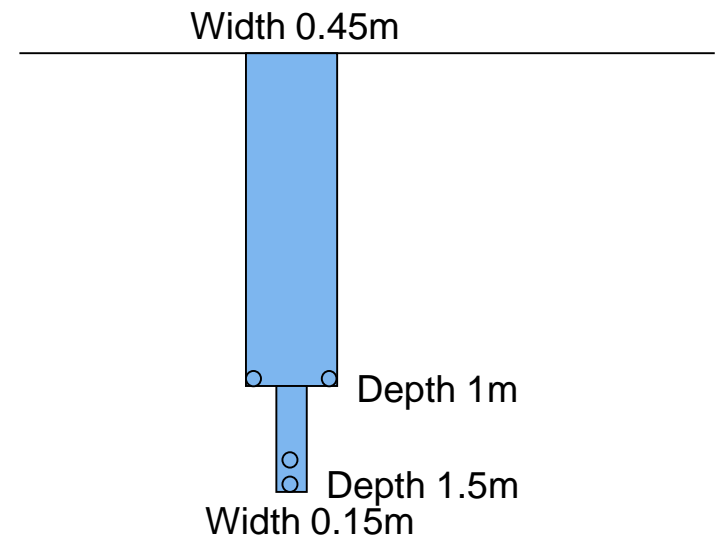


Narrow Trench Piping (UPN Univ. Jogjakarta, Indonesia)



Narrow Trench reduces Construction Power and Damp Soil.

**One Unit is 100m Length
(2 Depth Piping)**



One Unit is 100m Length Piping
(Equivalent to 25-50m Drilling).

Conclusions

1. GHP system give the efficiency up (30-50%?) even tropical countries. (Not only temperature gap but for cooling efficiency by heat exchanger).
2. GHP efficiency comes not only from temperature gap between air and underground but from heat exchanger cooling by GHP.
3. Underground temperature is stable for long term operation (Kamphaengphet case)
4. Shallow piping system is recommended for small scale GHP system of tropical countries.
5. GHP system cost is very low by use of parts and techniques of own countries.