



# Car Park Ventilation Systems

## *Introduction to system solutions*



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# Car park structures & requirements

## Car park ventilation solutions

 HM Government

The Building Regulations 2010

Ventilation

F

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Volume 2: Buildings other than dwellings

Requirement F1: Means of ventilation

Regulations: 39 and 44

Reduce ***Carbon Monoxide (CO)***

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Fire safety

B

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**2. Partially open sided car park**

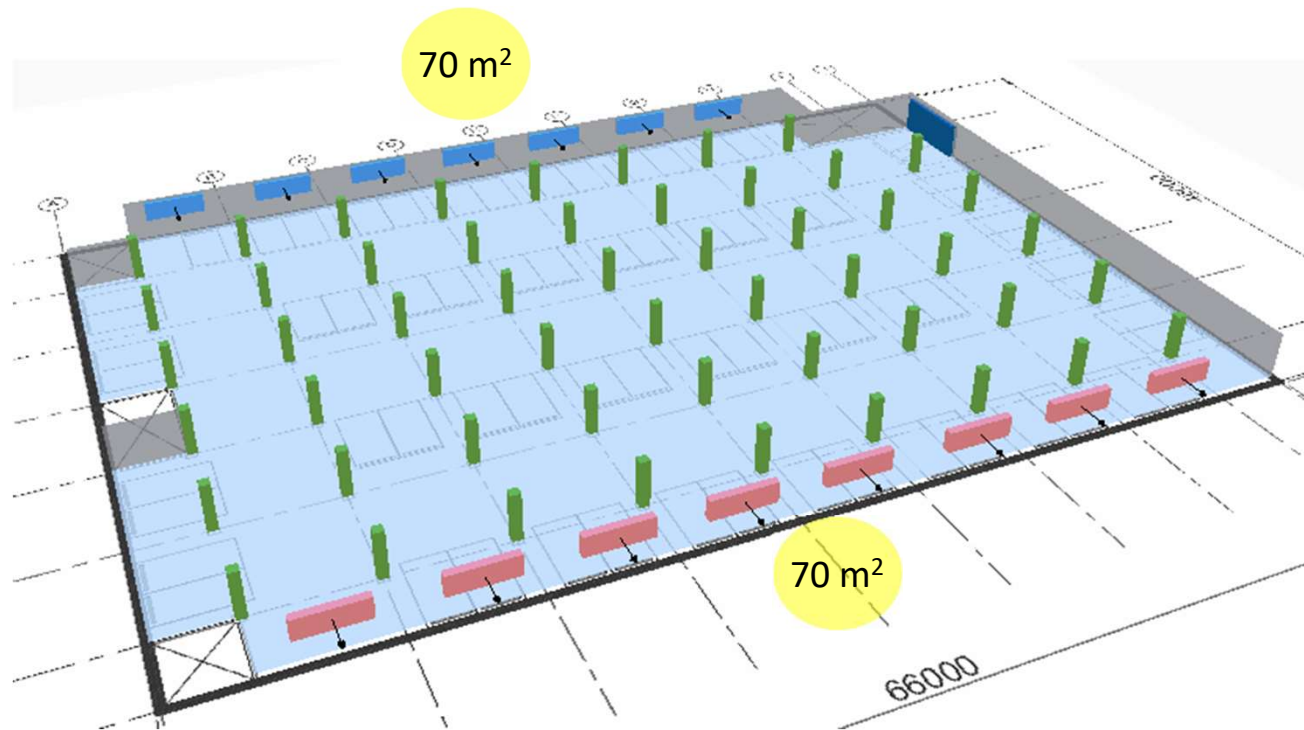
**3. Enclosed car parks**

### Open sided car parks



- I. Minimum aggregate equivalent (natural vent.) area, ***1/20th*** of the level floor area.
- II. Minimum of **25%** of the aggregate equivalent area ***on each of two opposing walls.***

### Open sided car parks

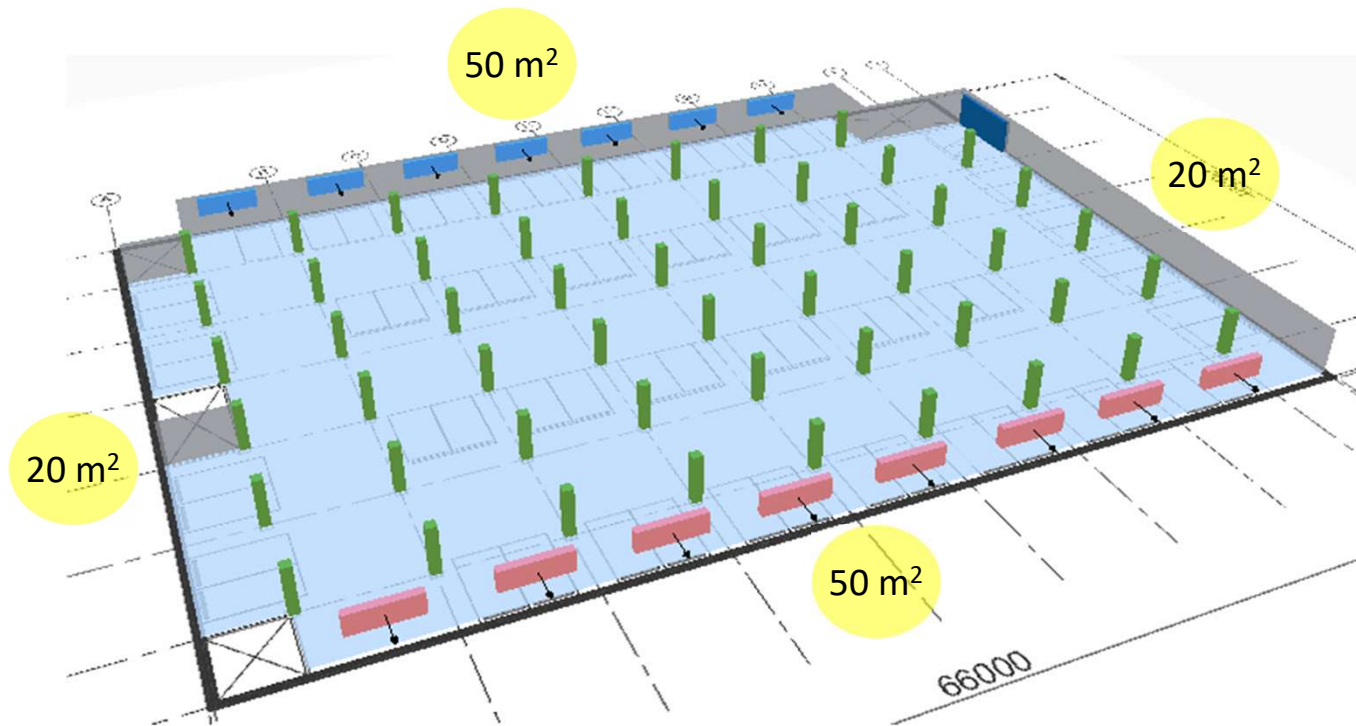


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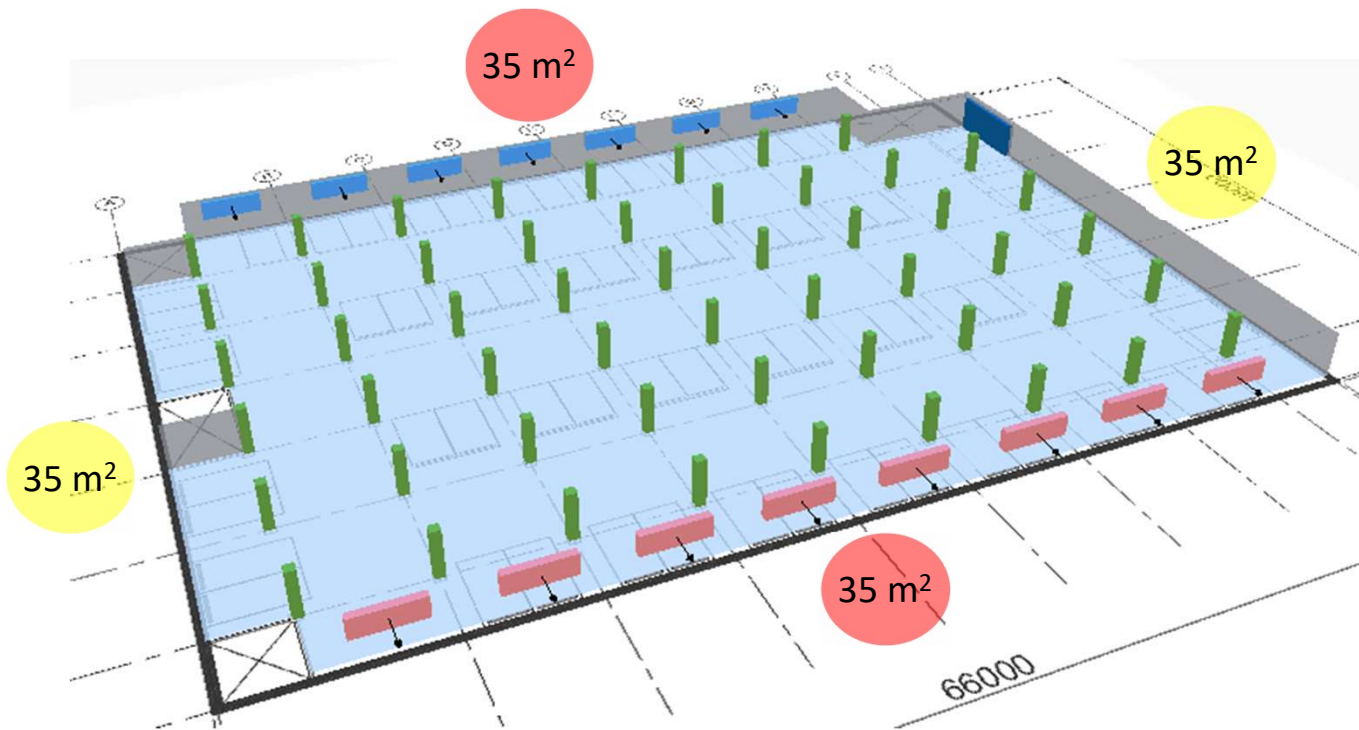
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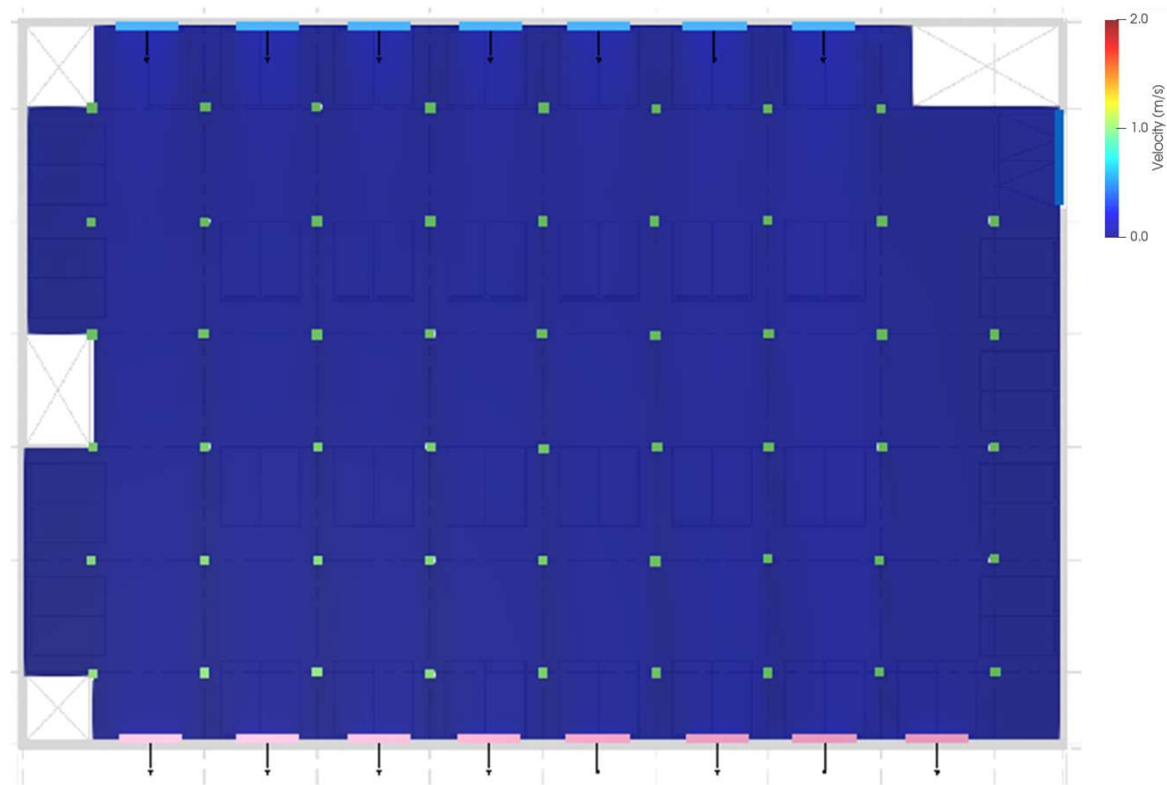
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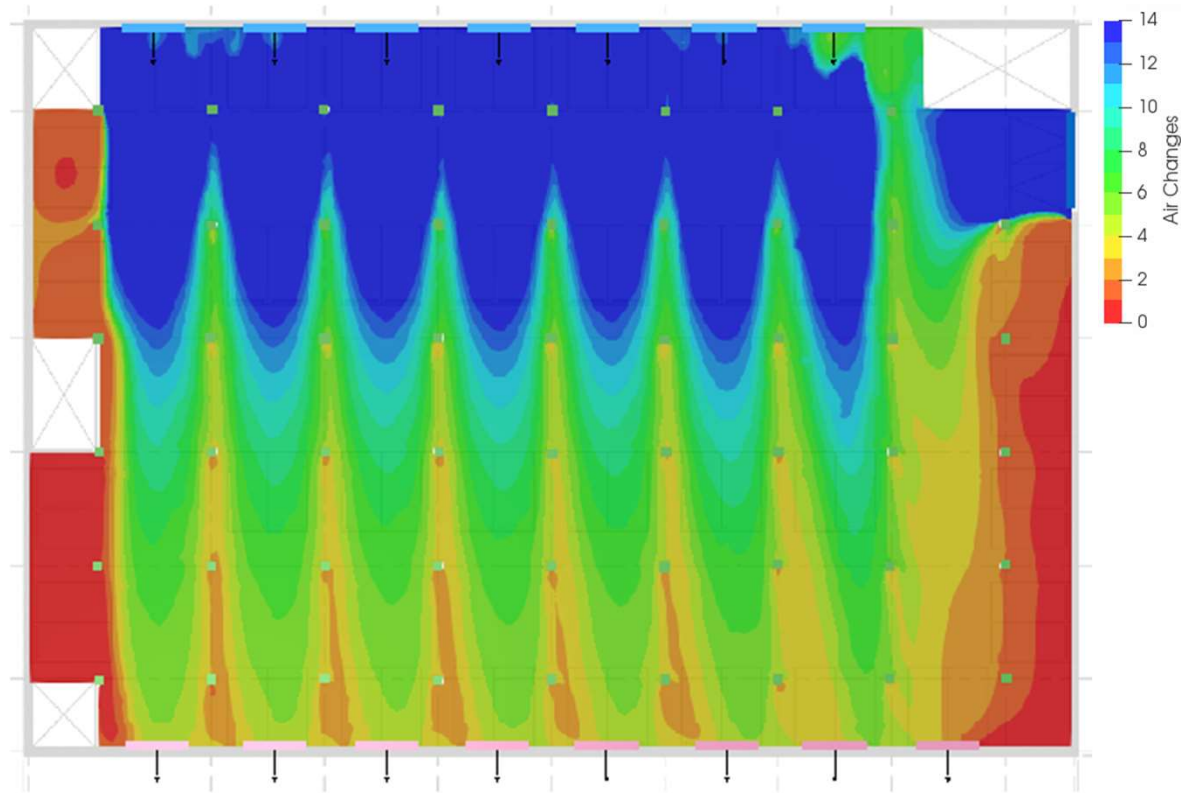
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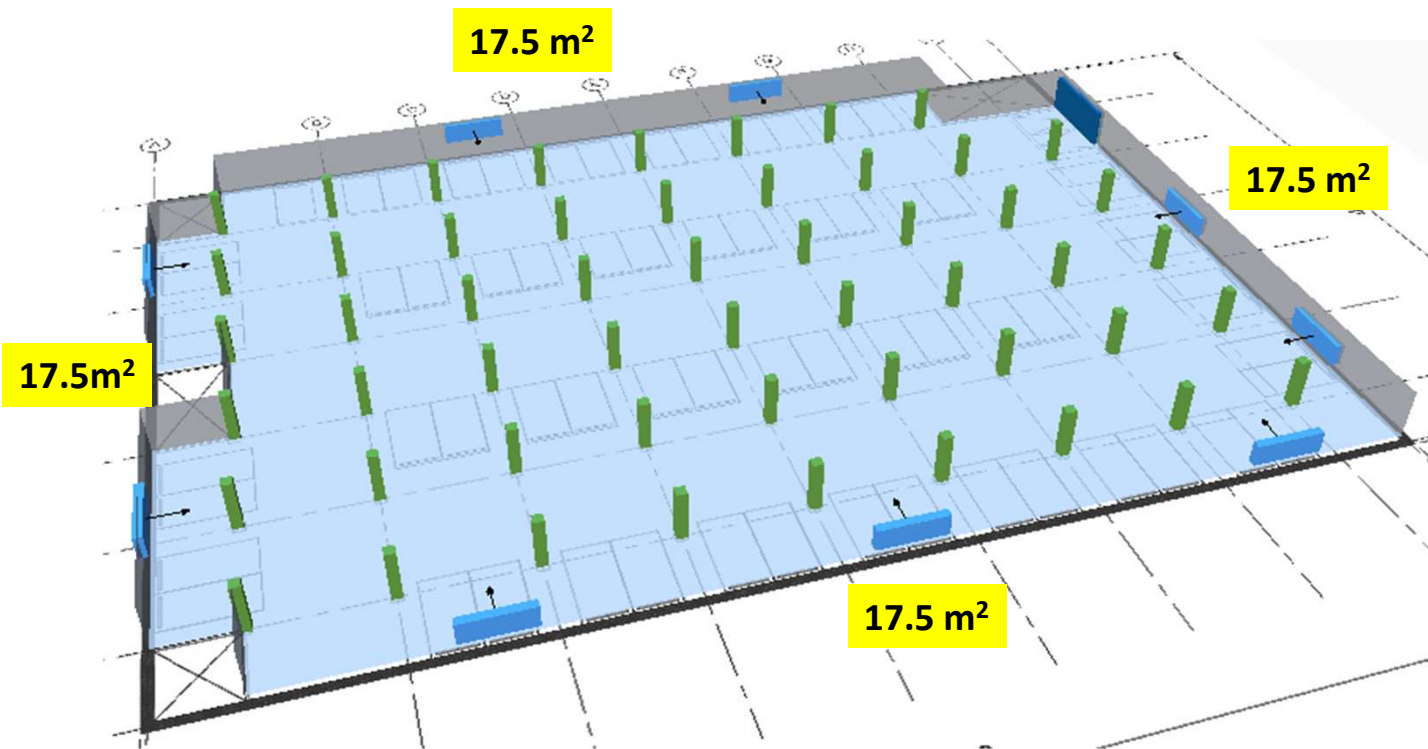


### Partially open sided car parks



1. Minimum aggregate equivalent (natural vent.) area, ***1/40th*** of the level floor area.
2. ***Mechanical extract system*** capable of providing the equivalent of ***3 ACH***

### Partially open sided car parks



Floor area = 2,800 m<sup>2</sup>

1/40th = 70 m<sup>2</sup>

Height = 3 m

Mech. extract = 7.0 m<sup>3</sup>/s

### Enclosed car parks



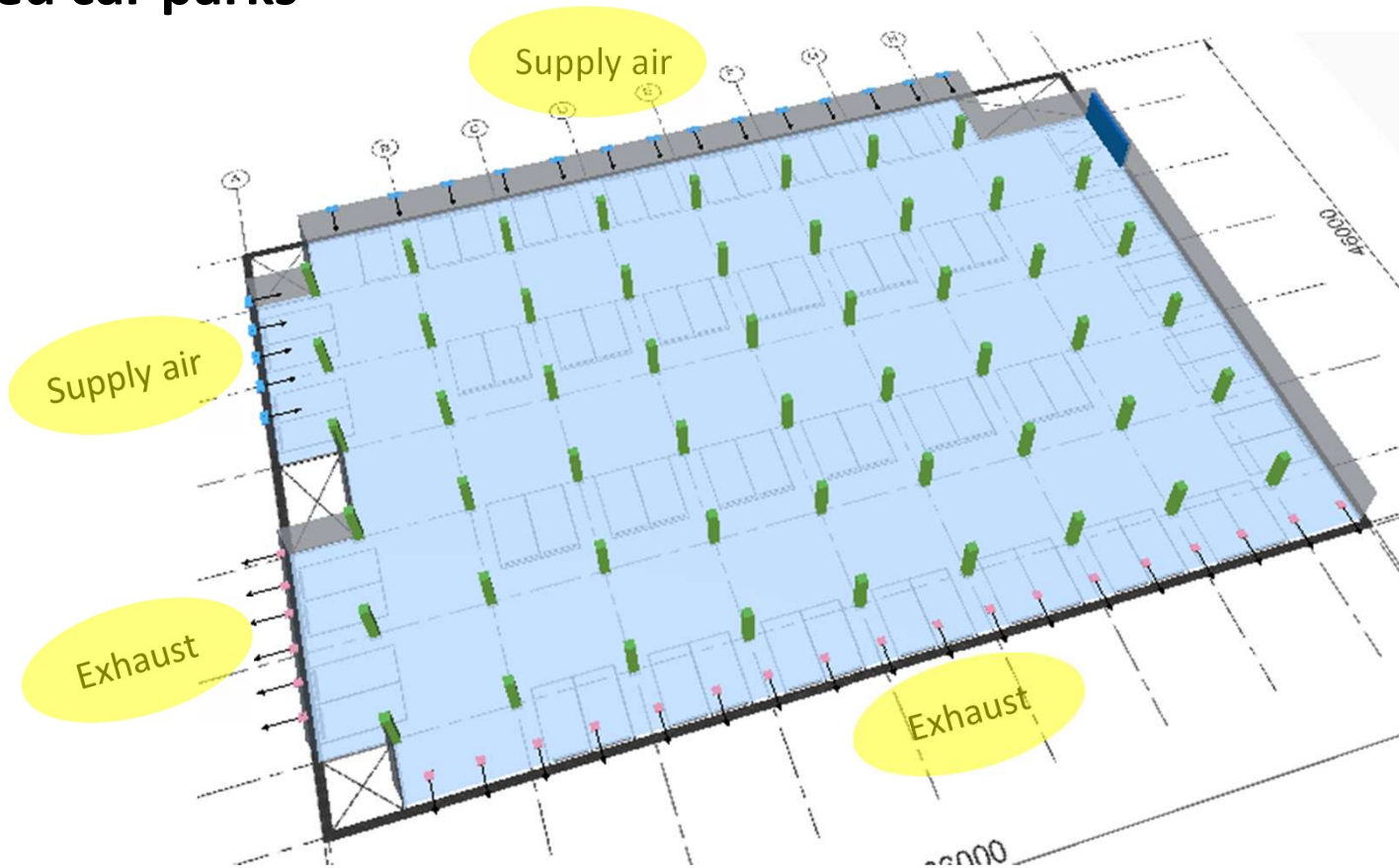
- I. Mechanical extract system to provide ***at least 6 ACH*** during ***day-to-day operation*** (*Approved Document F*)
- II. Mechanical extract system to provide ***at least 10 ACH*** to provide ***speedier smoke clearance*** during and after a fire has been extinguished

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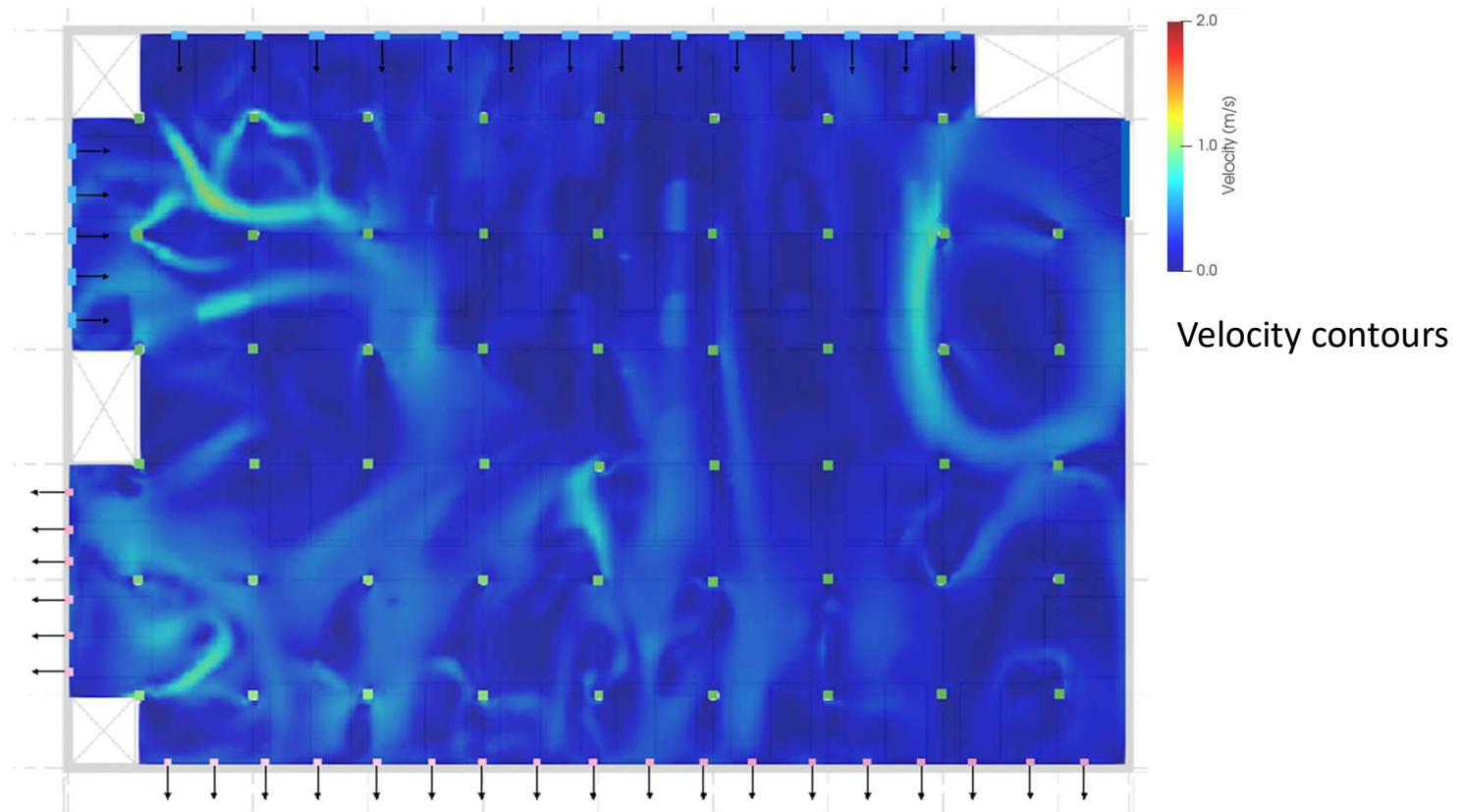


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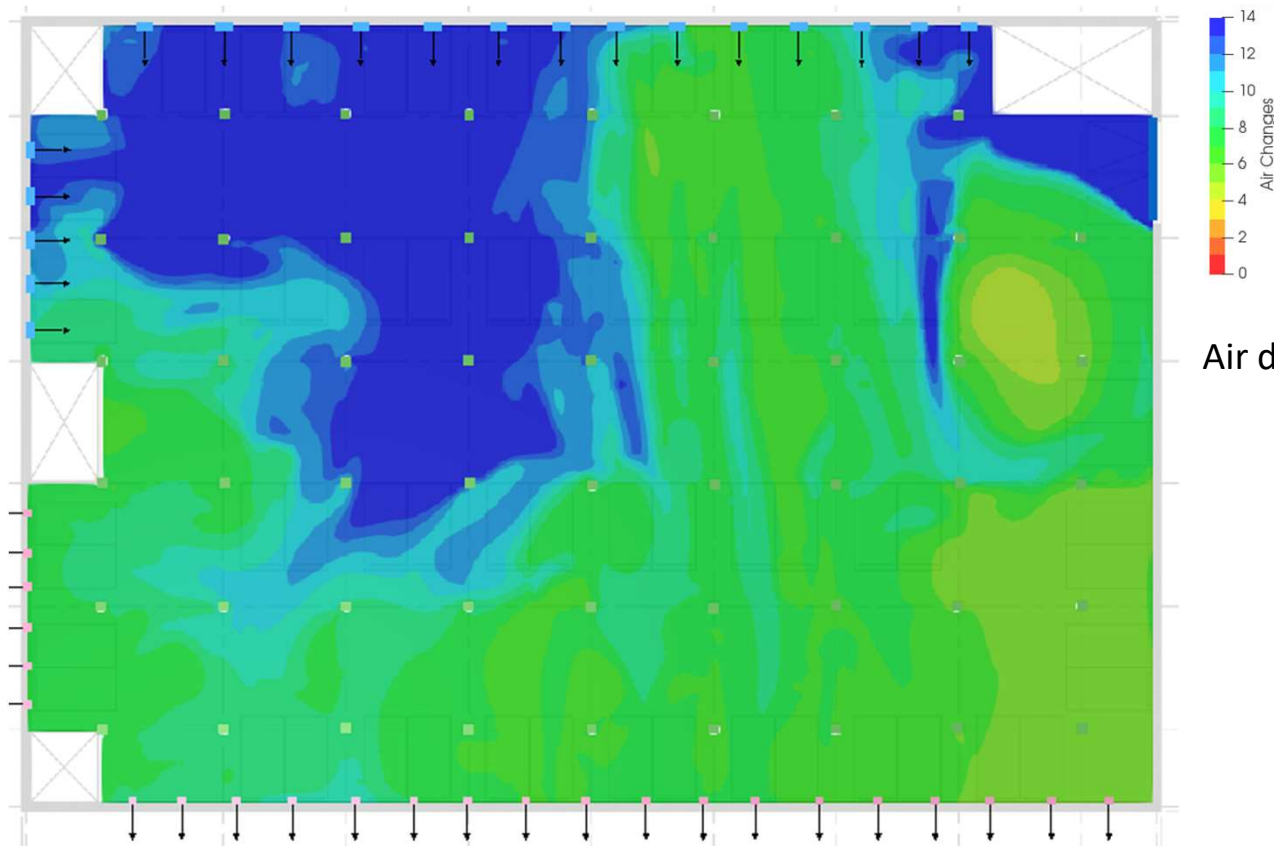




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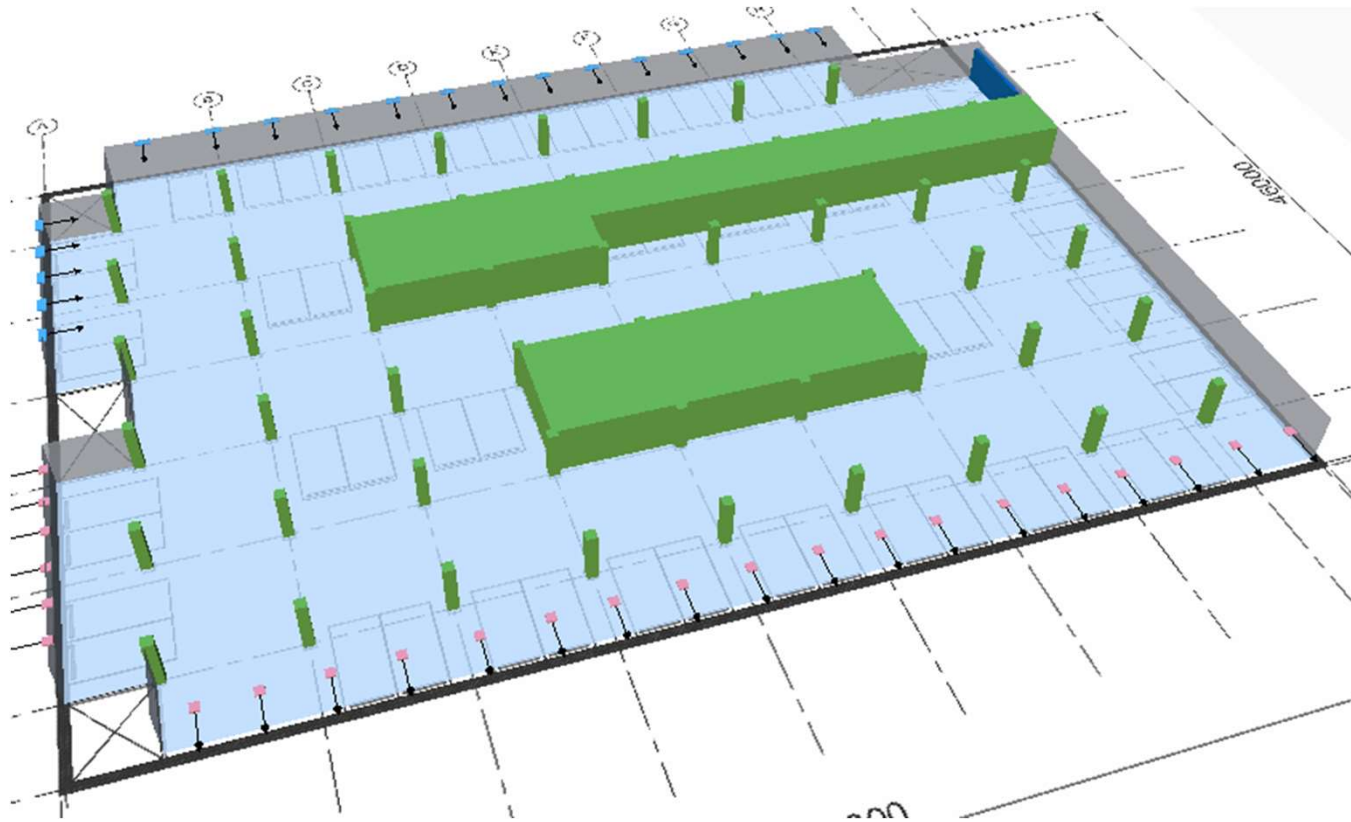


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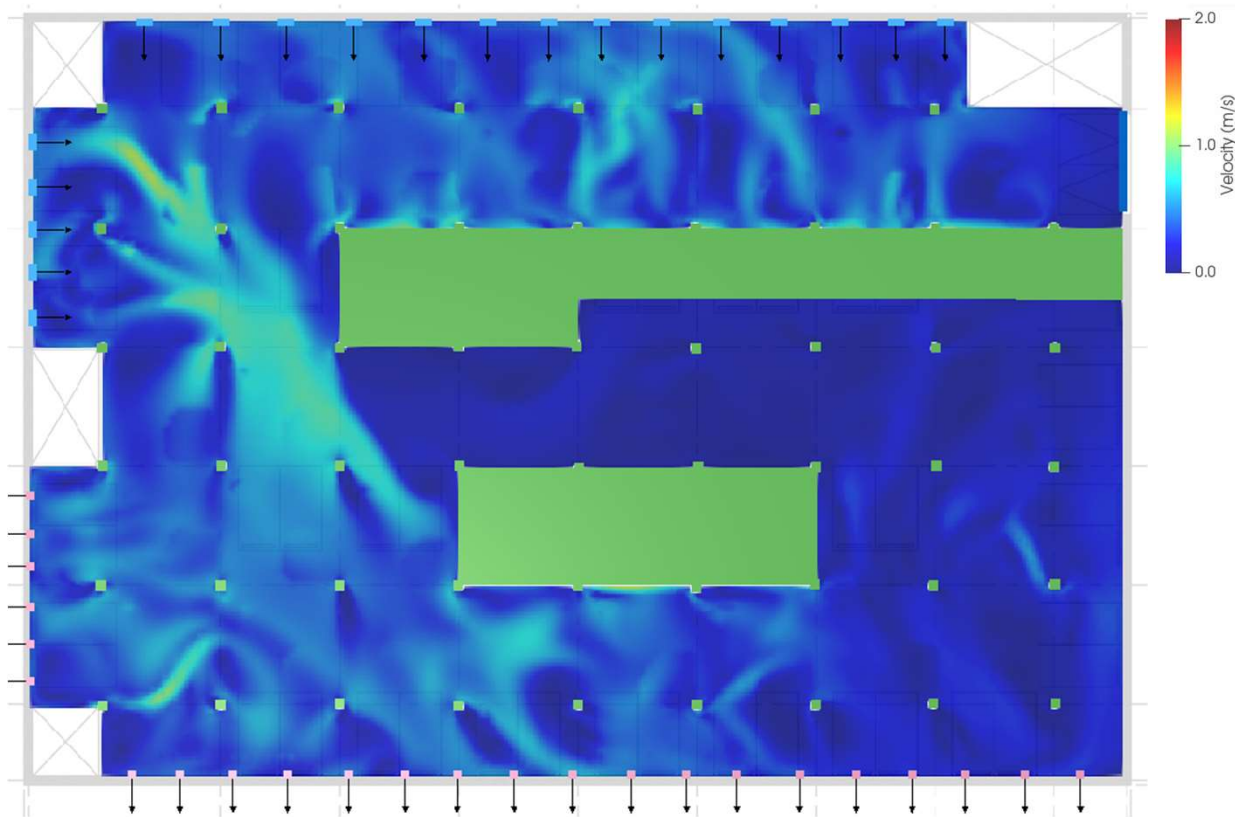


Air distribution contours

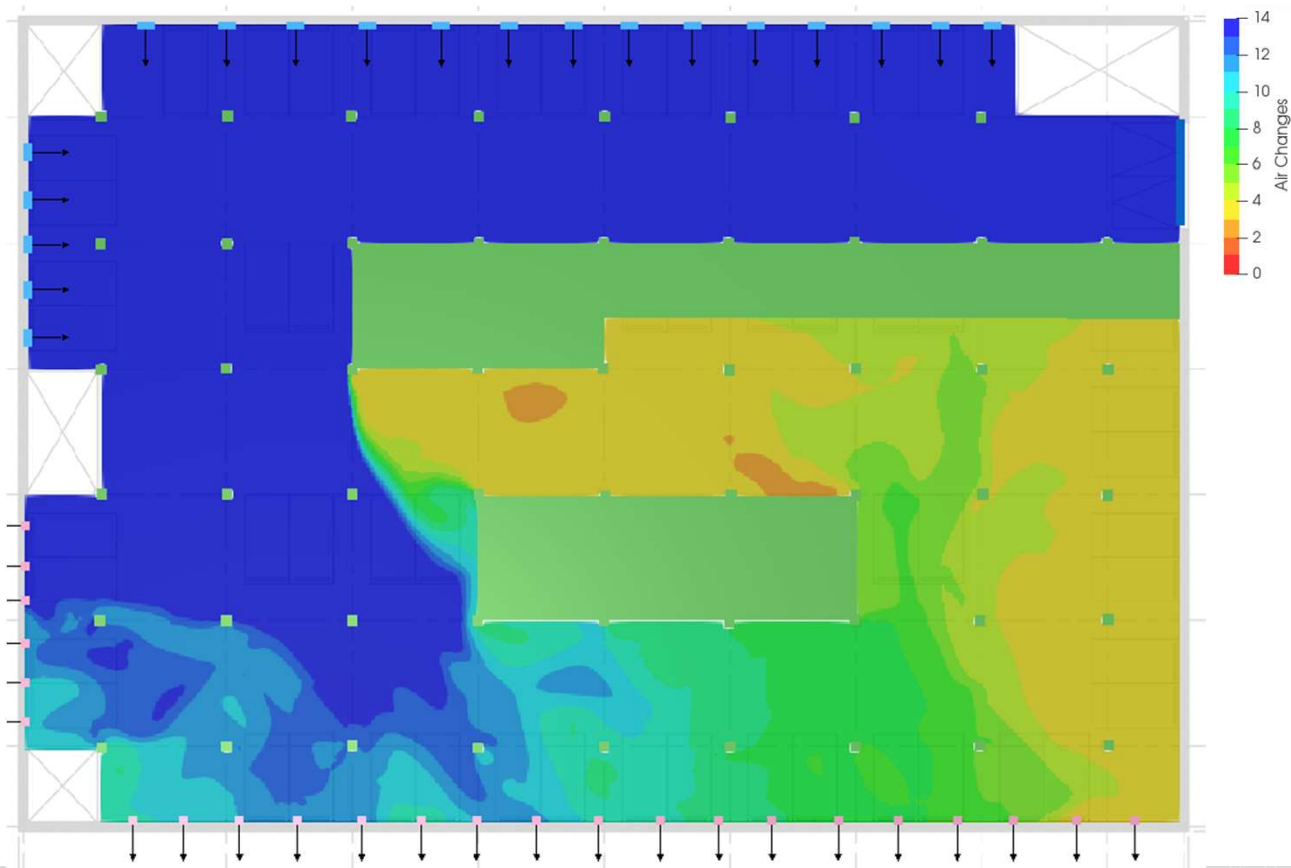
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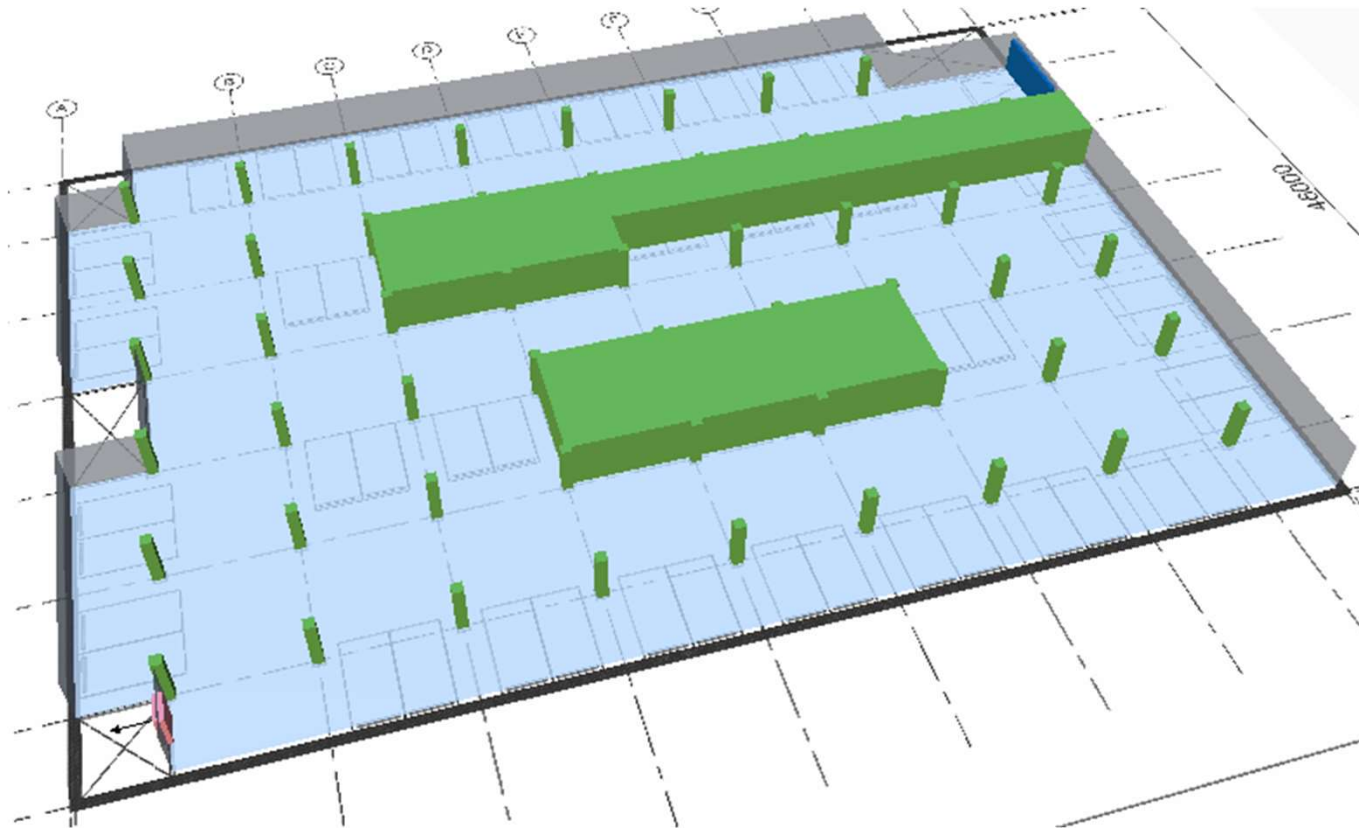


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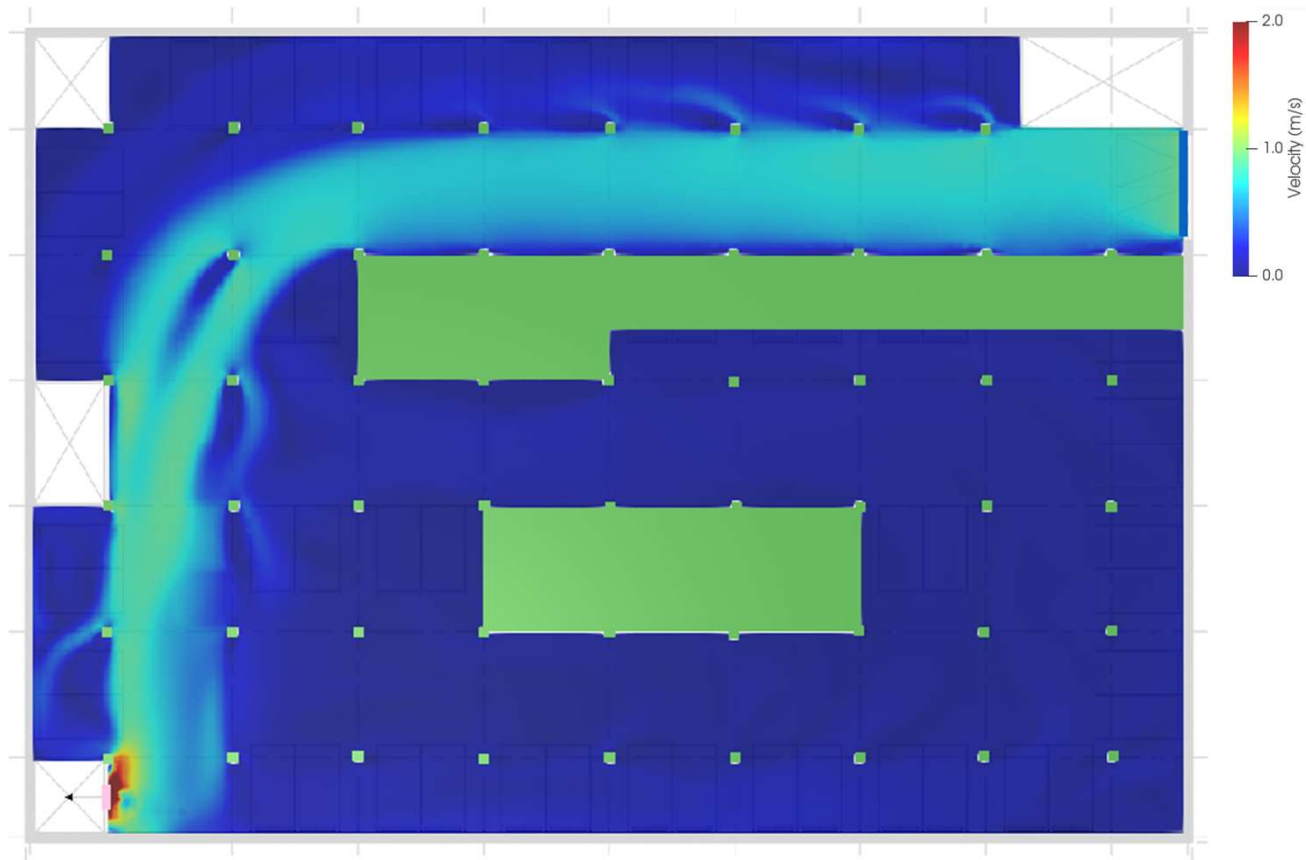




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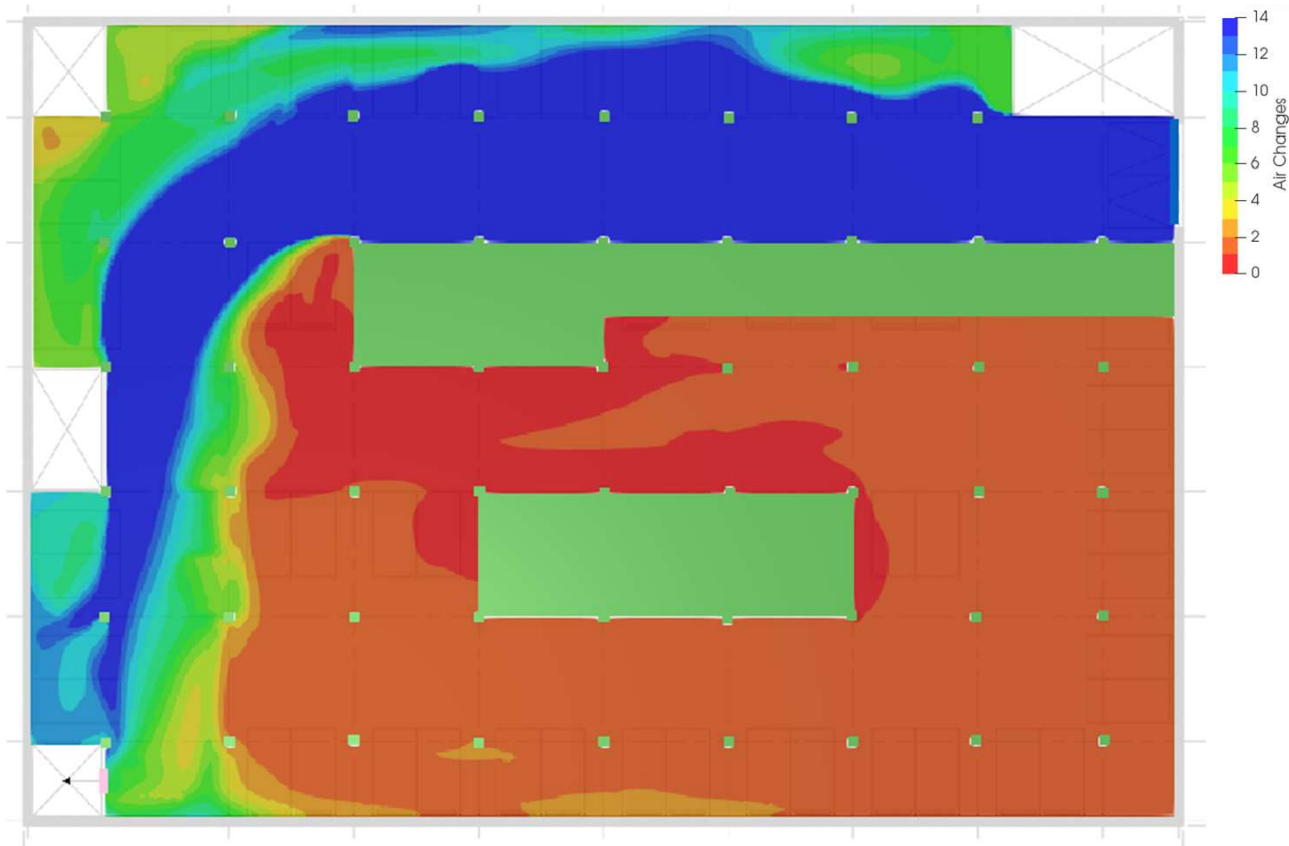


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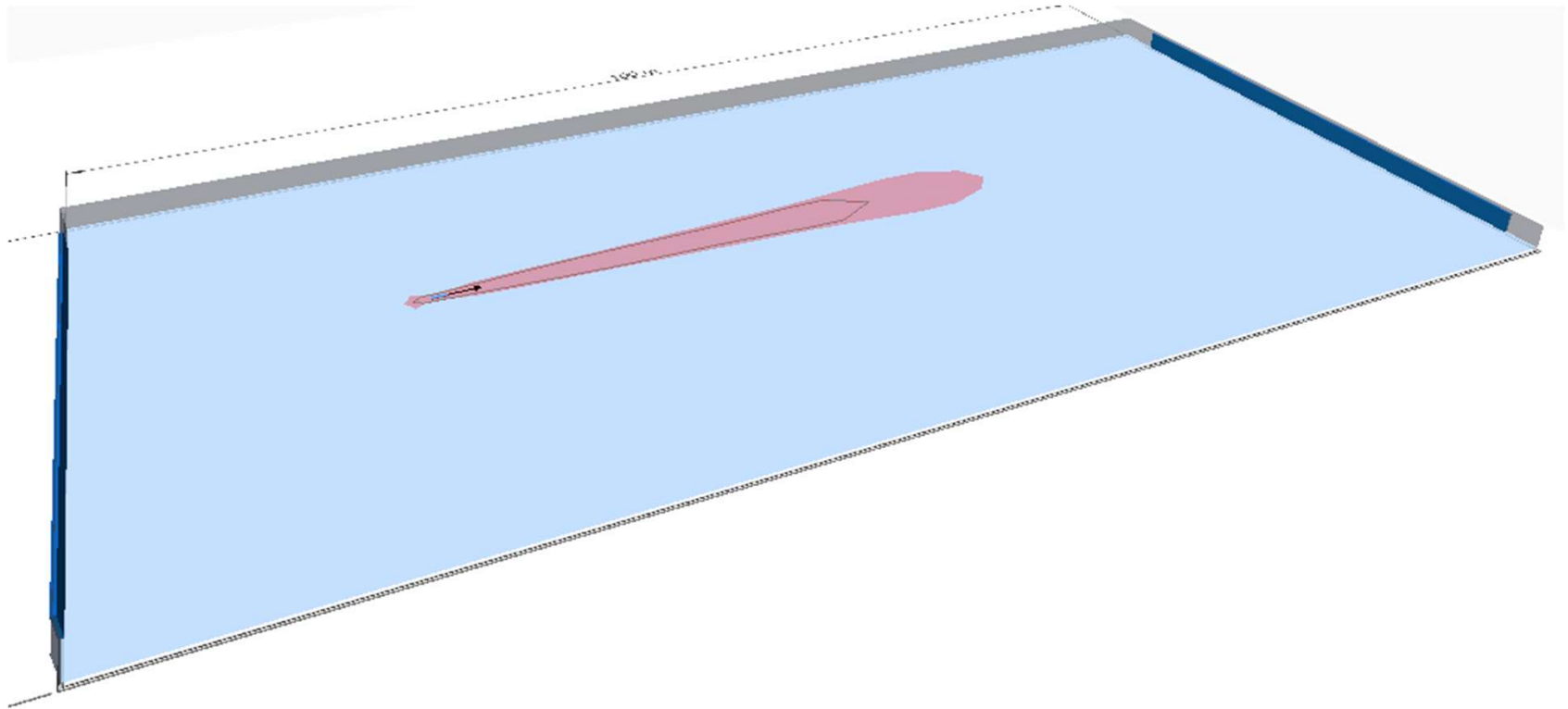
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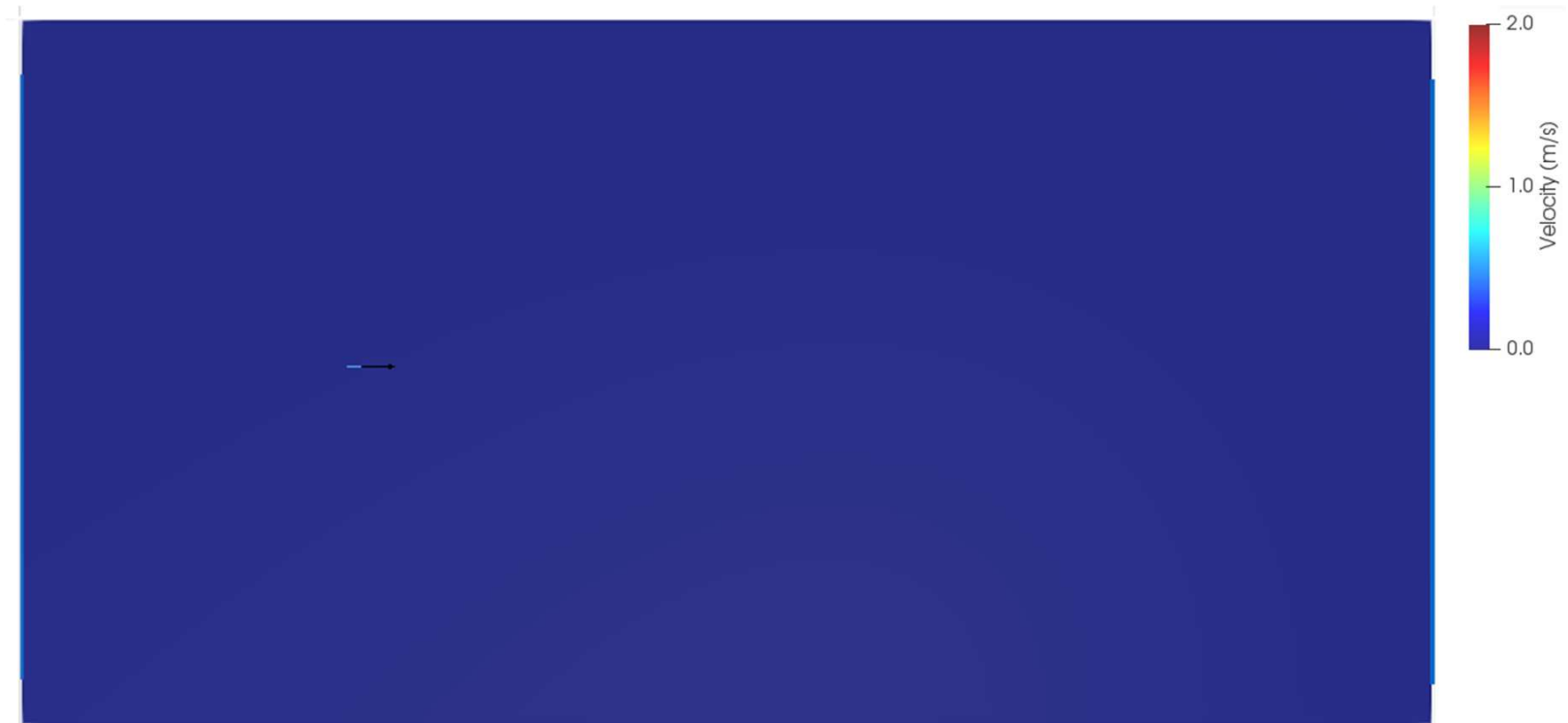
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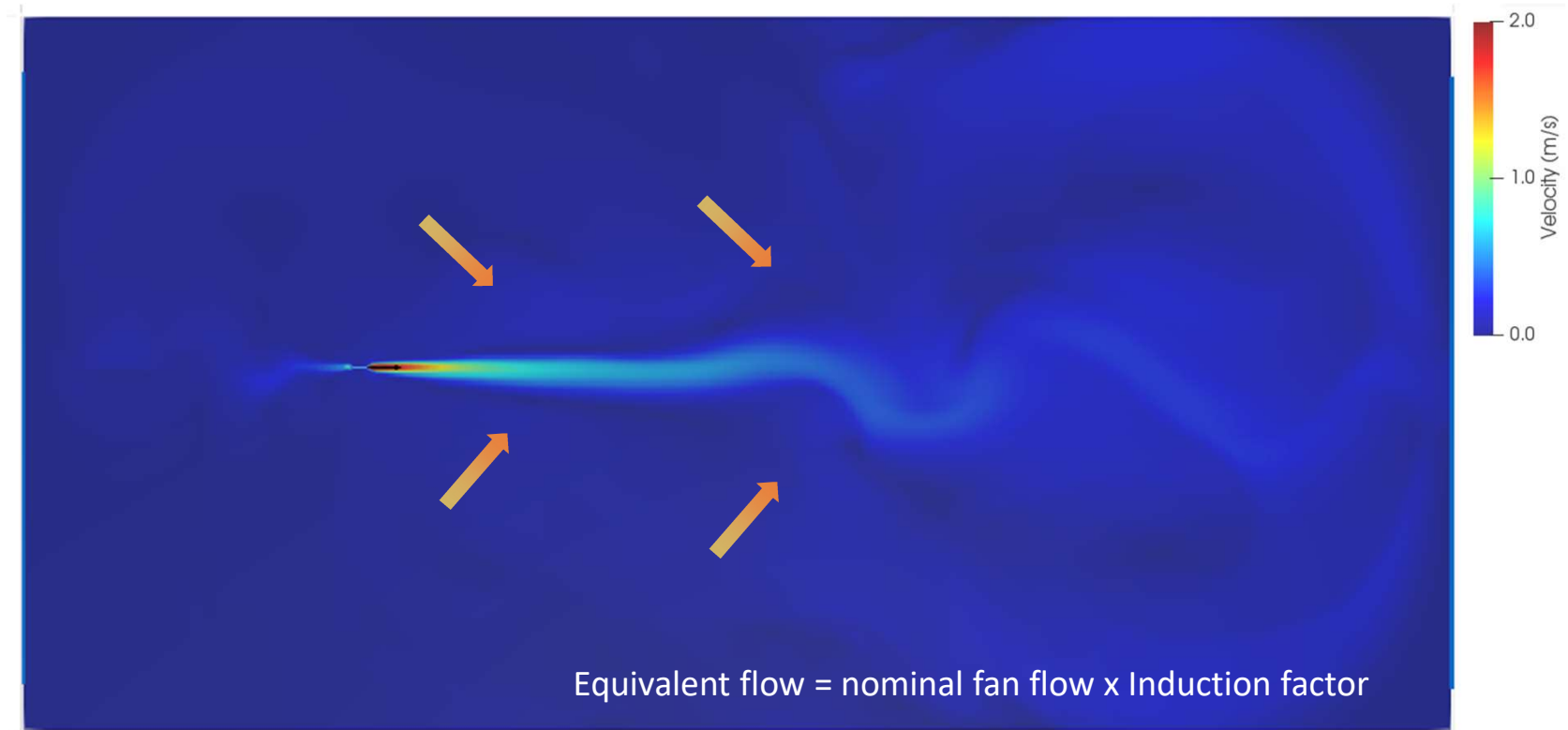
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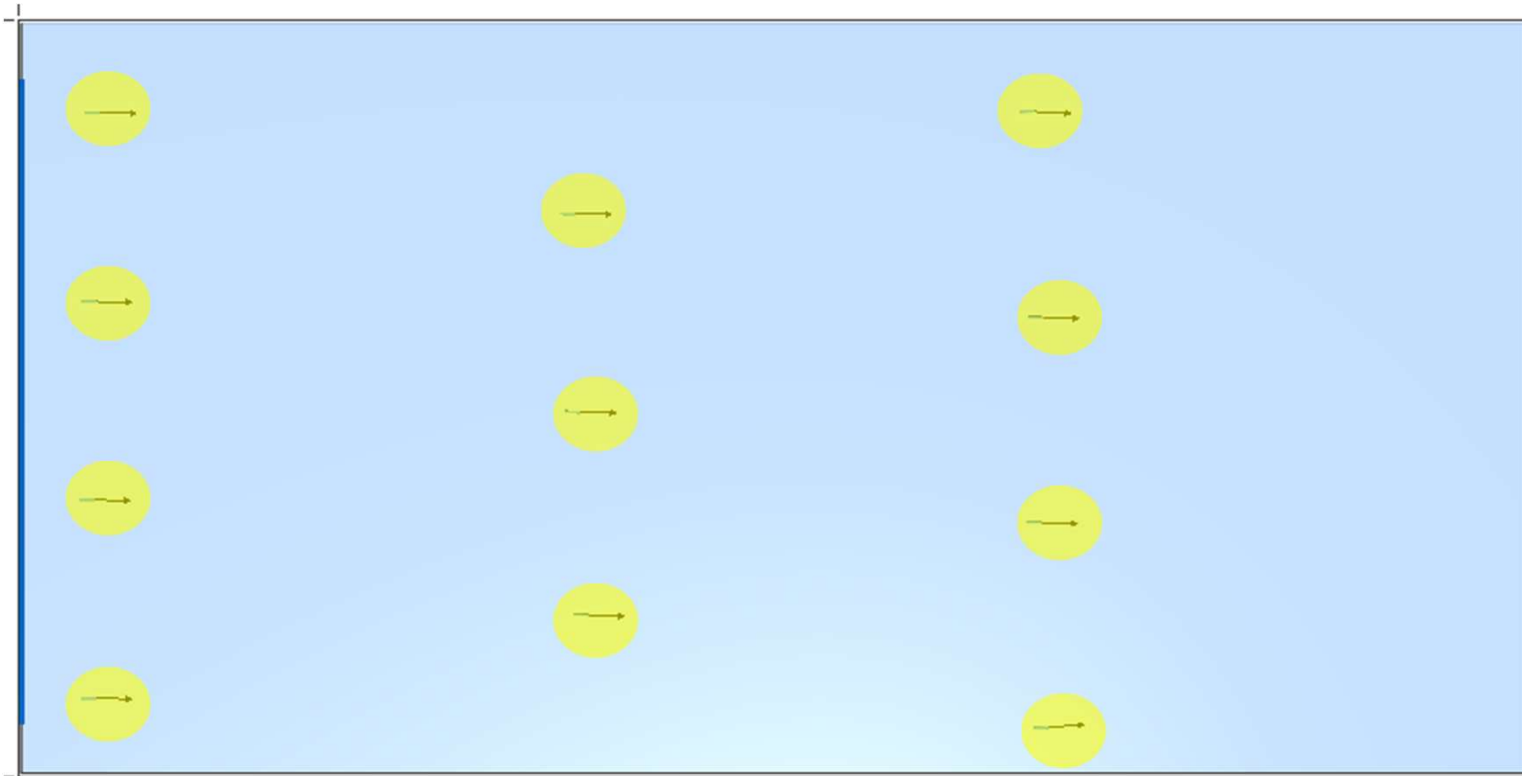
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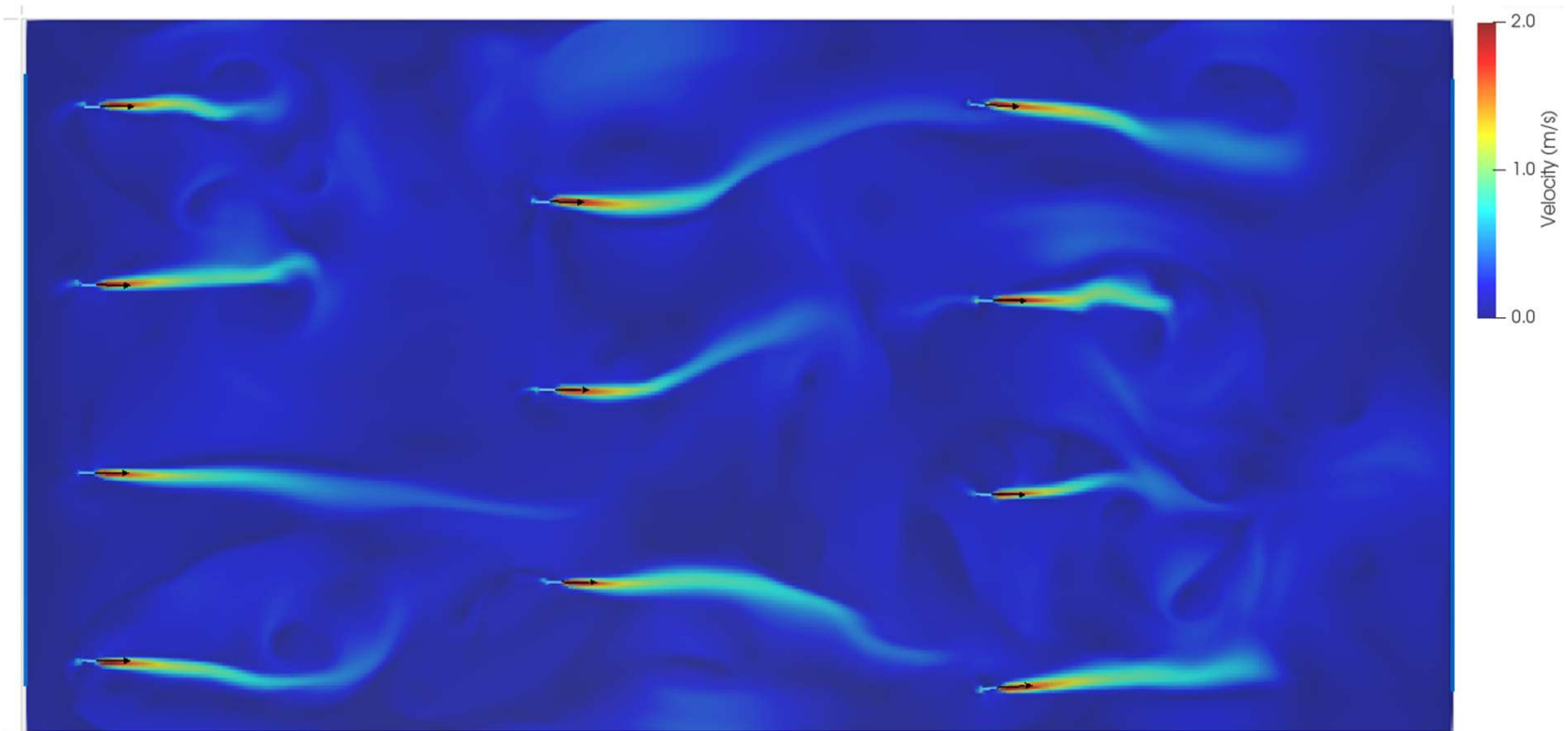


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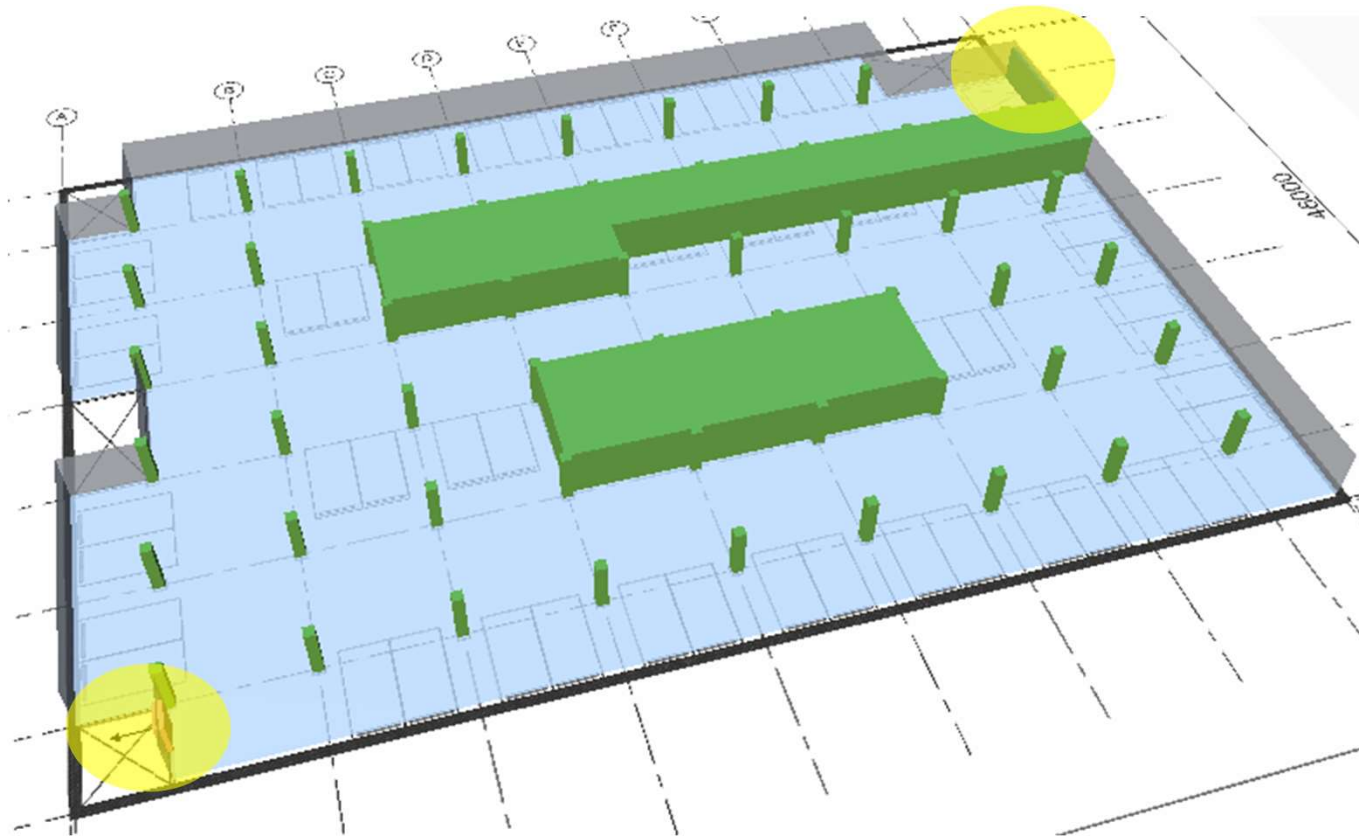
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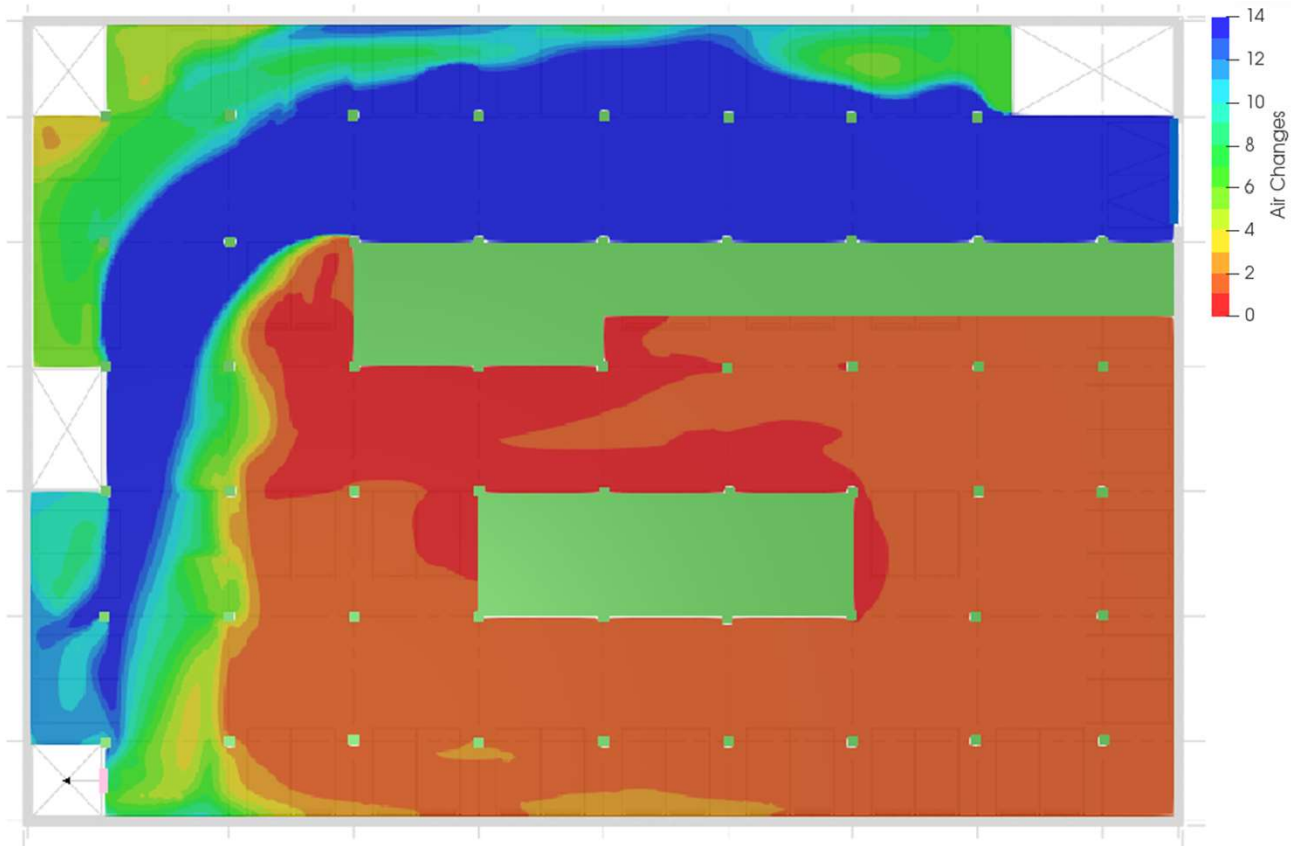
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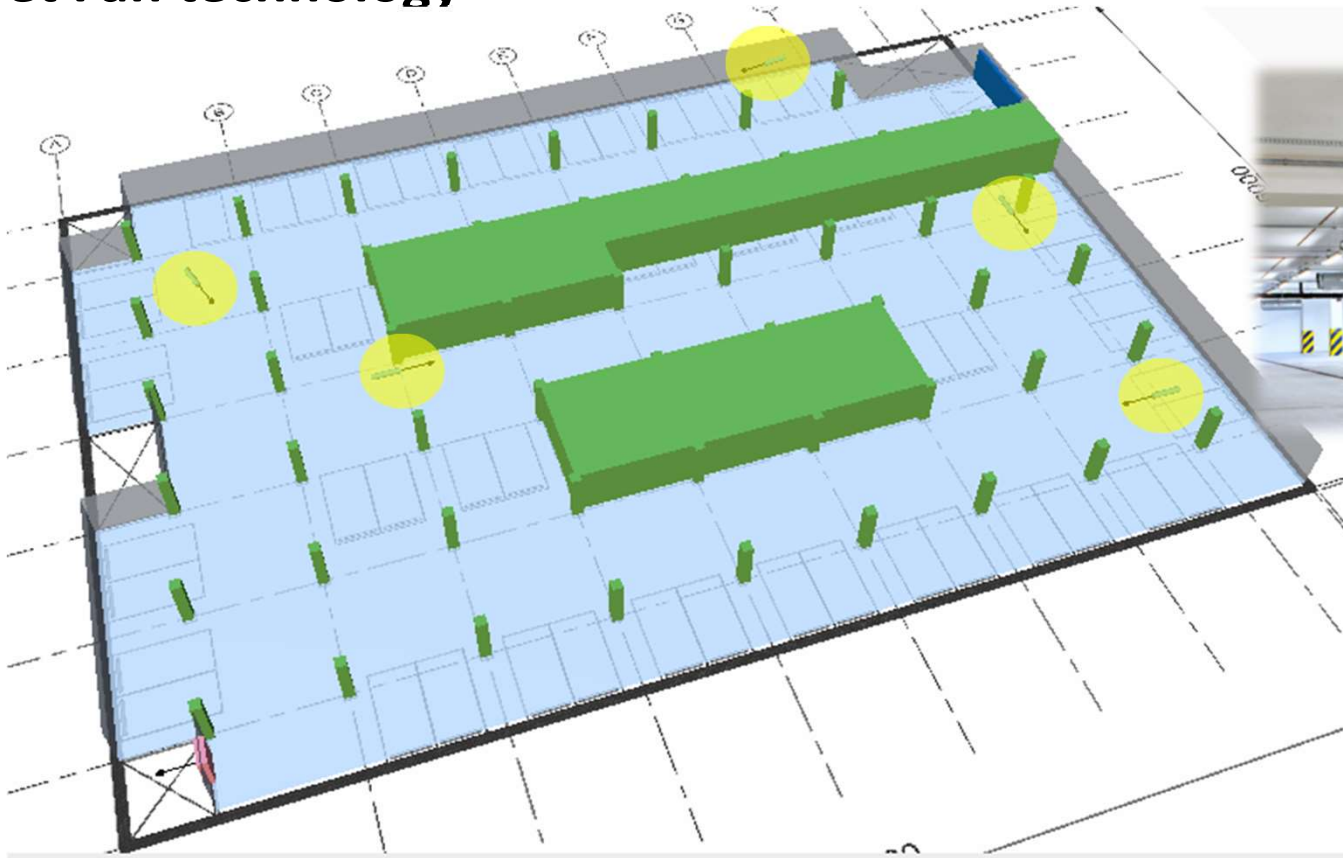
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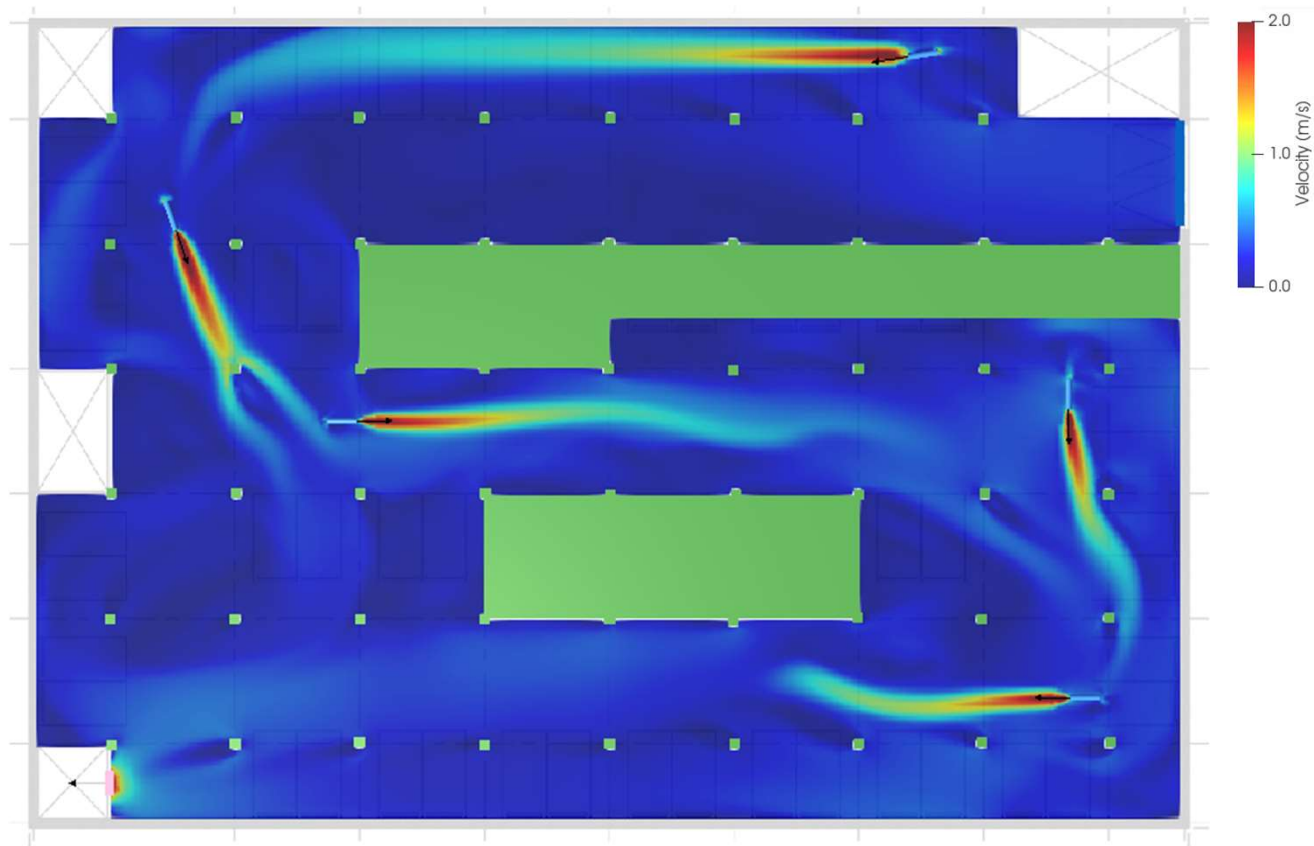
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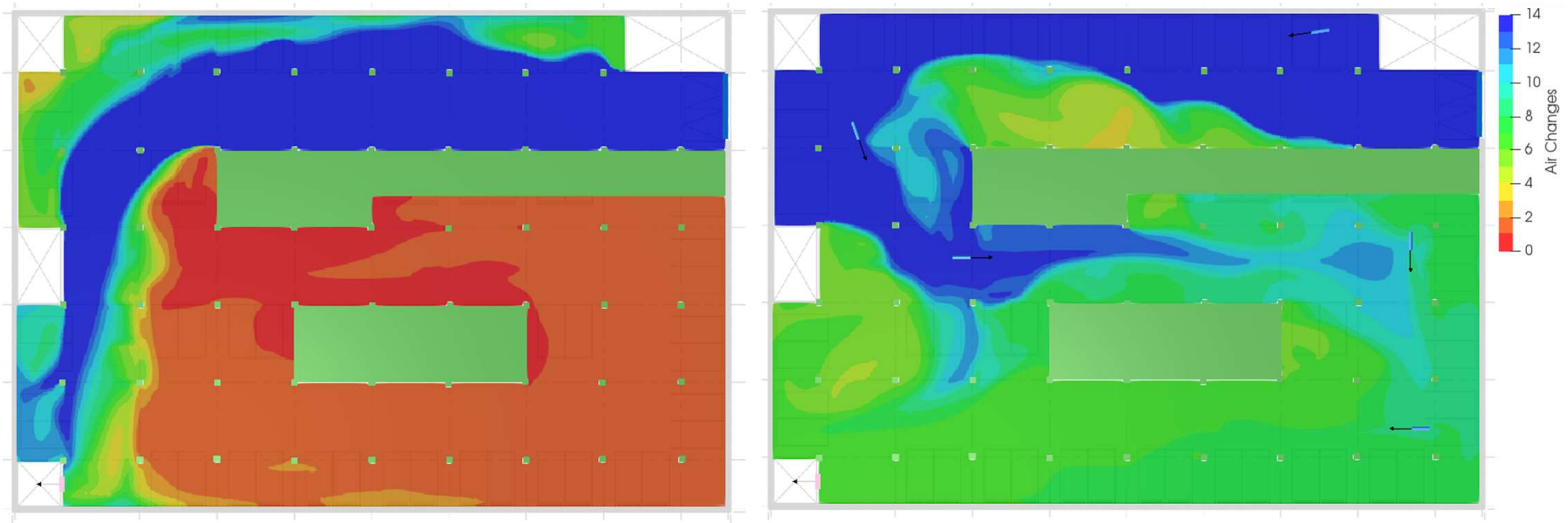


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**Fire Mode**

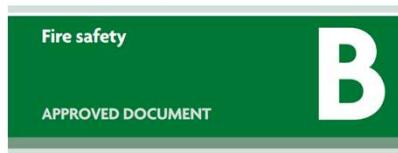


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# Fire mode

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Requirement B4: External fire spread  
Regulation 7

BS 7346-7:2013

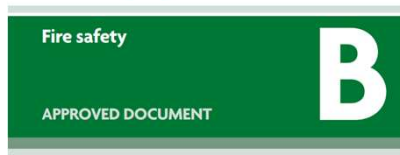


## Deal with *Smoke* in the event of a fire

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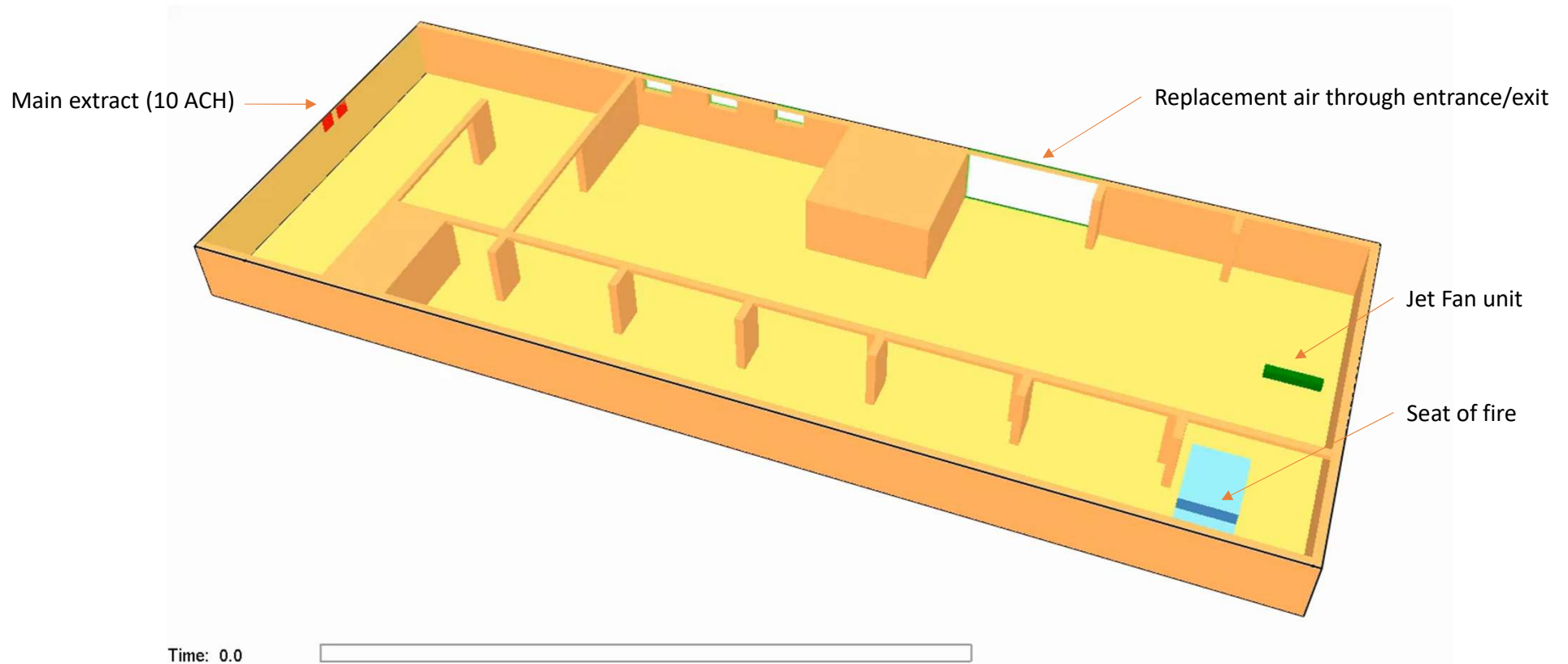


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BS 7346-7:2013



### Components for smoke and heat control systems –

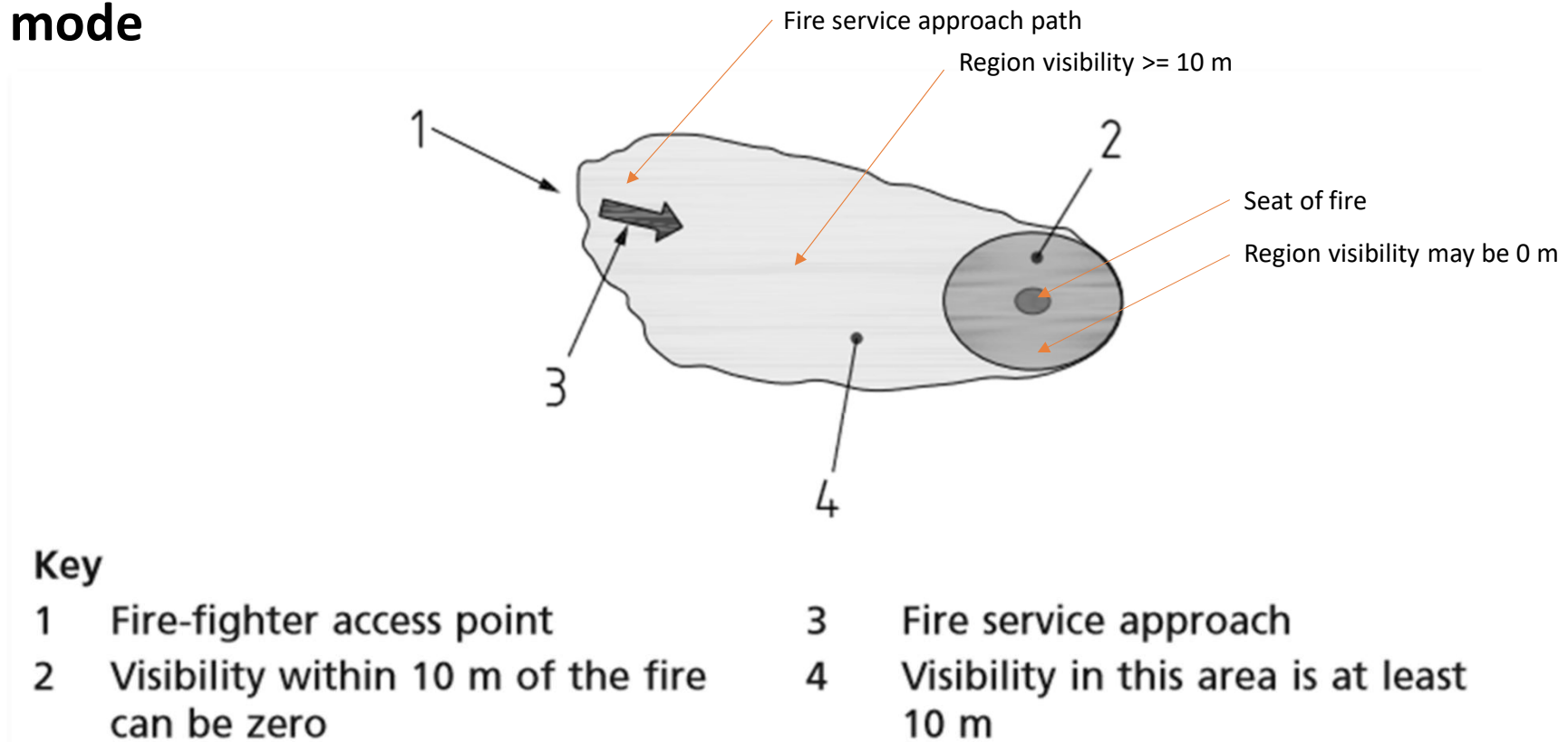
Part 7: Code of practice on functional recommendations and calculation methods for smoke and heat control systems for covered car parks

**Section 9** **Impulse ventilation to achieve Smoke Clearance**  
*Assist fire-fighters by providing ventilation to allow speedier clearance of smoke once the fire has been extinguished.*

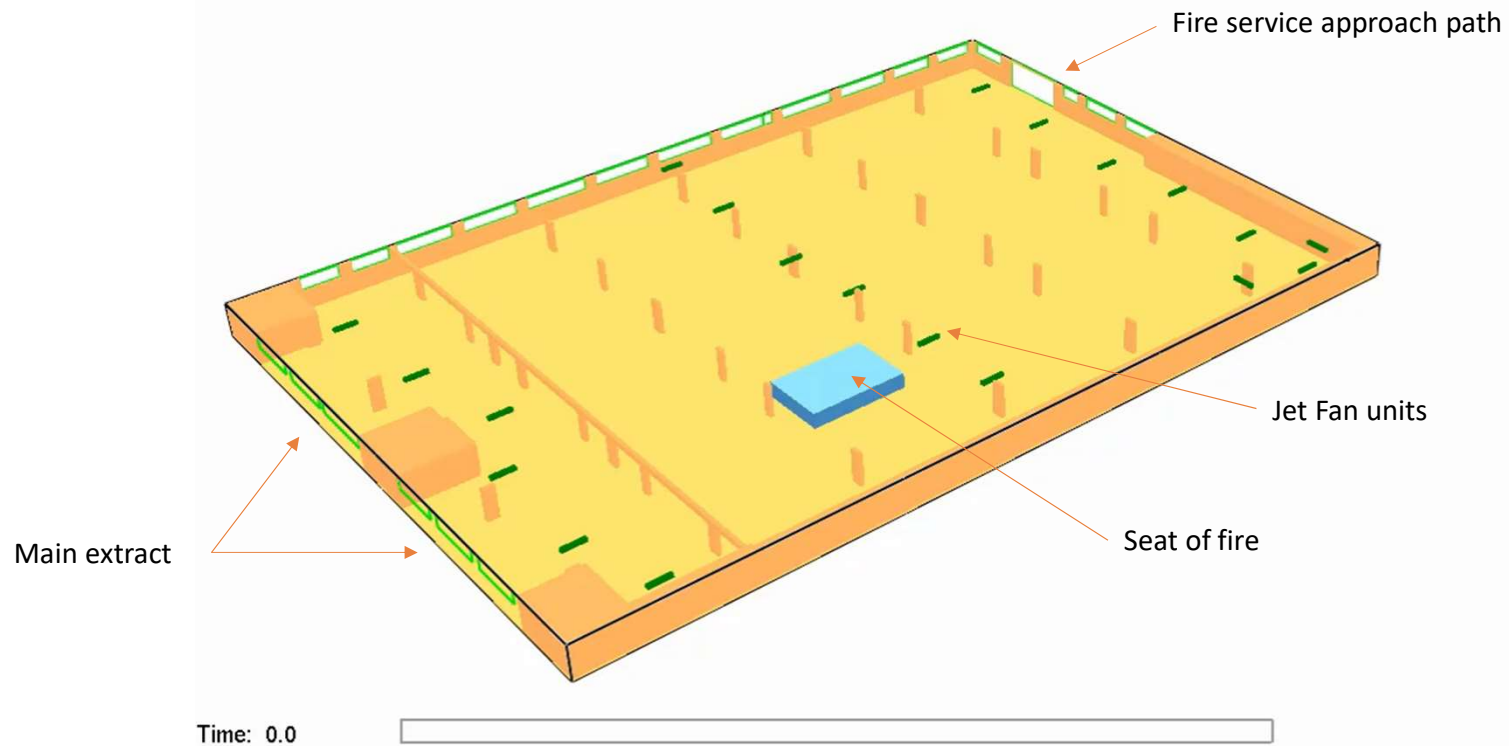
**Section 10** **Impulse ventilation to assist fire-fighting access**  
*Aid access by the fire service to more quickly locate and tackle a fire and carry out search and rescue as necessary.*

**Section 11** **Impulse ventilation to protect means of escape**  
*Protection of means of escape to preserve a smoke-free path to either the exterior of the building or a protected stairwell.*

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BS 7346-7:2013



### **Components for smoke and heat control systems –**

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### **BS-7346 part 7:2013 – Section 10 compliant design**

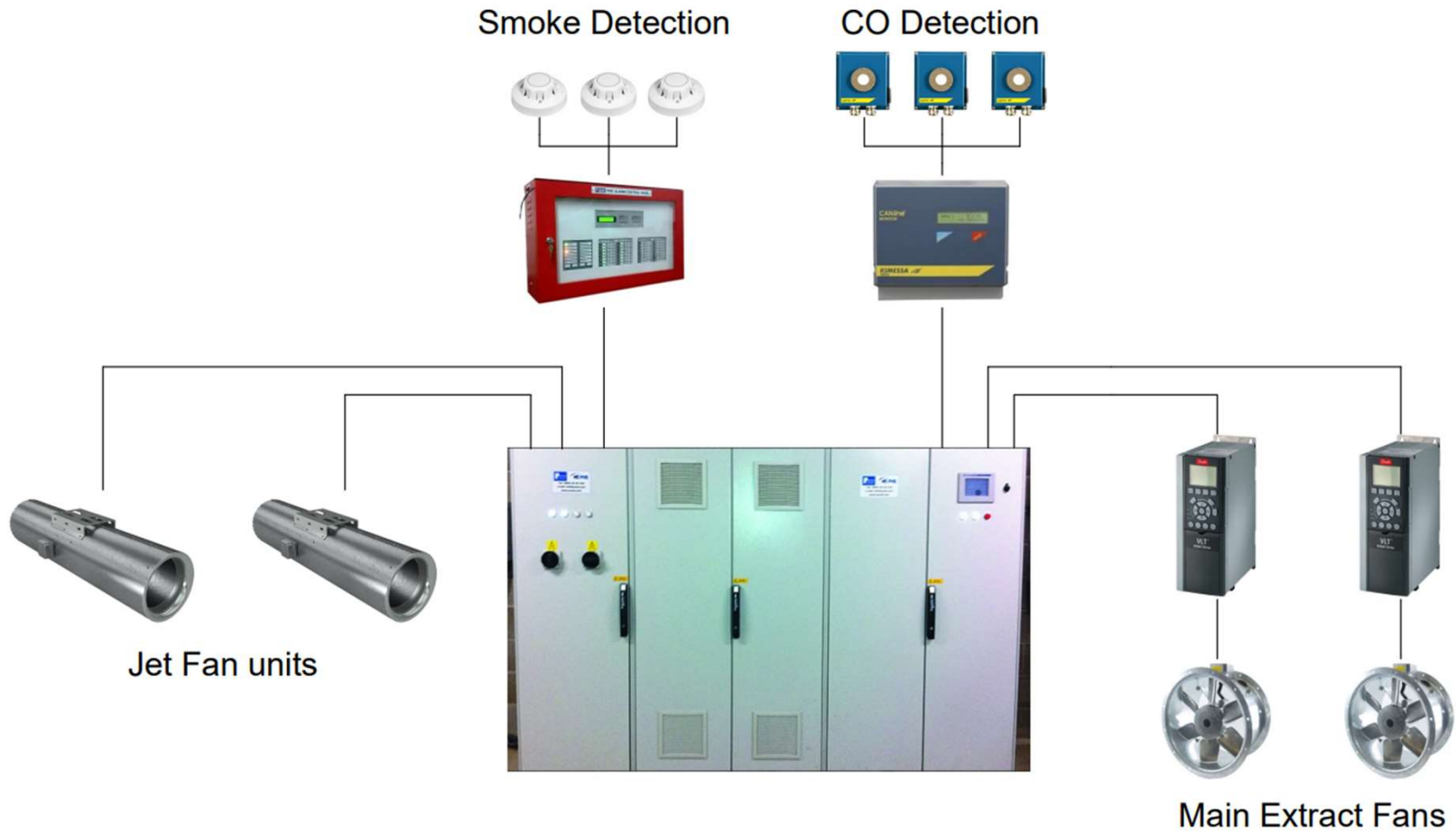
- ❖ Not mandatory in most countries
- ❖ Fully engineered design required, not based on fixed air flow/air change rate figures
- ❖ Minimum floor area between 4,000 and 5,000 m<sup>2</sup>
- ❖ Requires a fully addressable fire alarm system
- ❖ Requires consultation with local fire authorities in early design stage
- ❖ Required design validation through extensive CFD analysis.



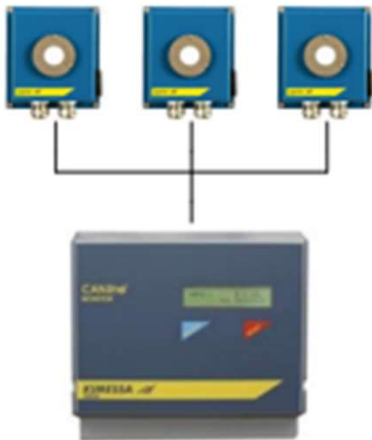
# Controls



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### CO Detection



### U.K. Building Regulations Approved Document F

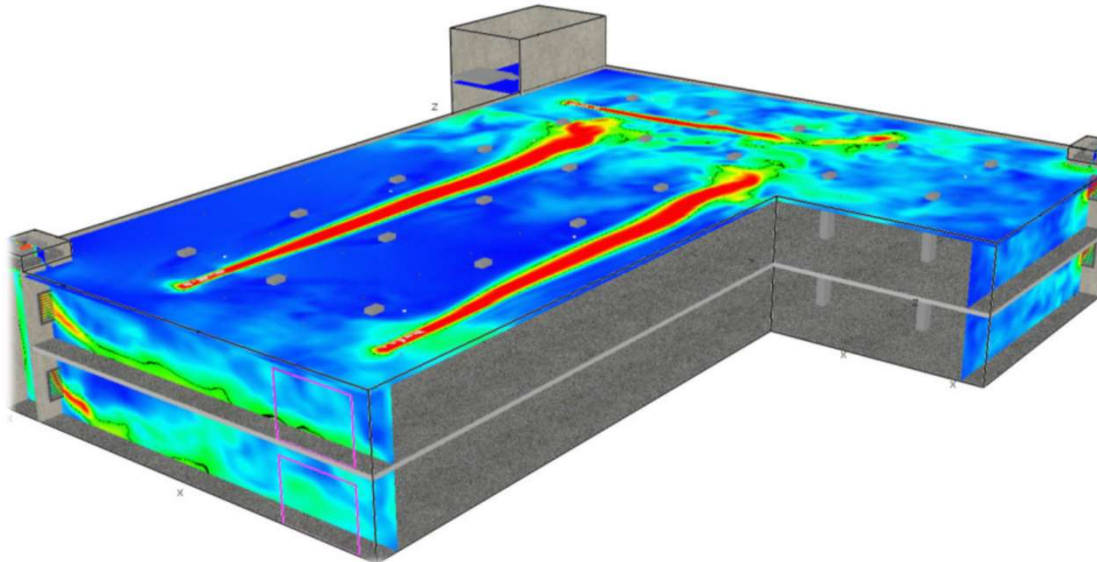
- a. an average concentration of not more than 30 parts per million over an eight hour period; and
- b. peak concentrations, such as by ramps and exits, of not more than 90 parts per million for periods not exceeding 15 minutes.



# Design validation through CFD analysis

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Allows detailed assessment of air flow patterns and behaviour by solving **ITERATIVE** (repeating) **NUMMERIC EQUATIONS**





## The principle

- Convert structural layout design in a CFD domain
- Devide domain into a qauntity of cells
- Within each cell resolve a number of *Navier-Stokes equations*
- Convert numeric data into graphic representation of:
  - Air velocity profiles
  - Air quality (CO contamination levels)
  - Smoke spread
  - Smoke density & visibility
  - Temperature distribution

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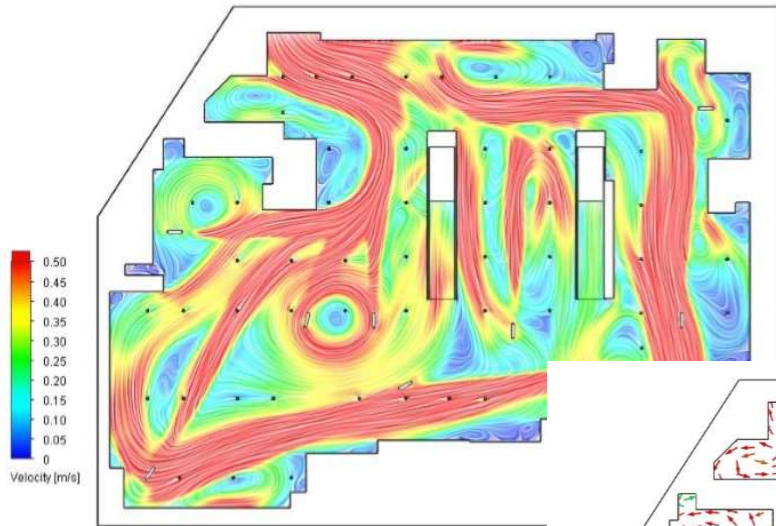
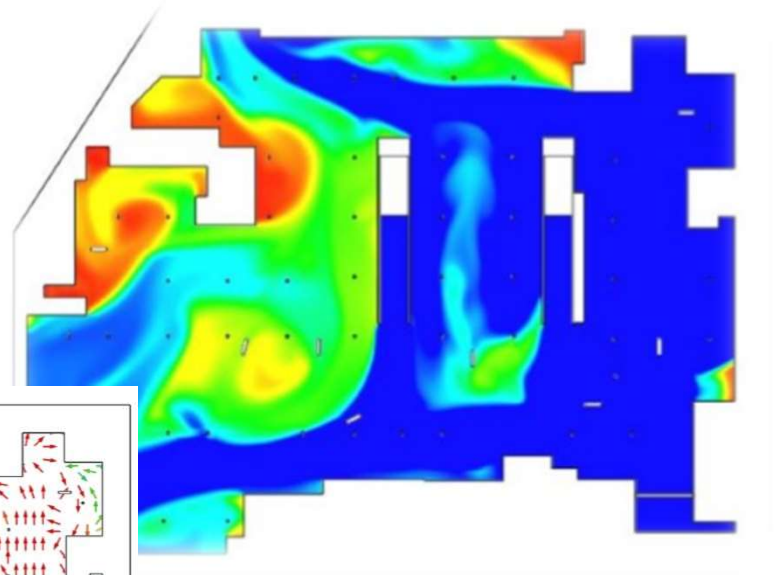


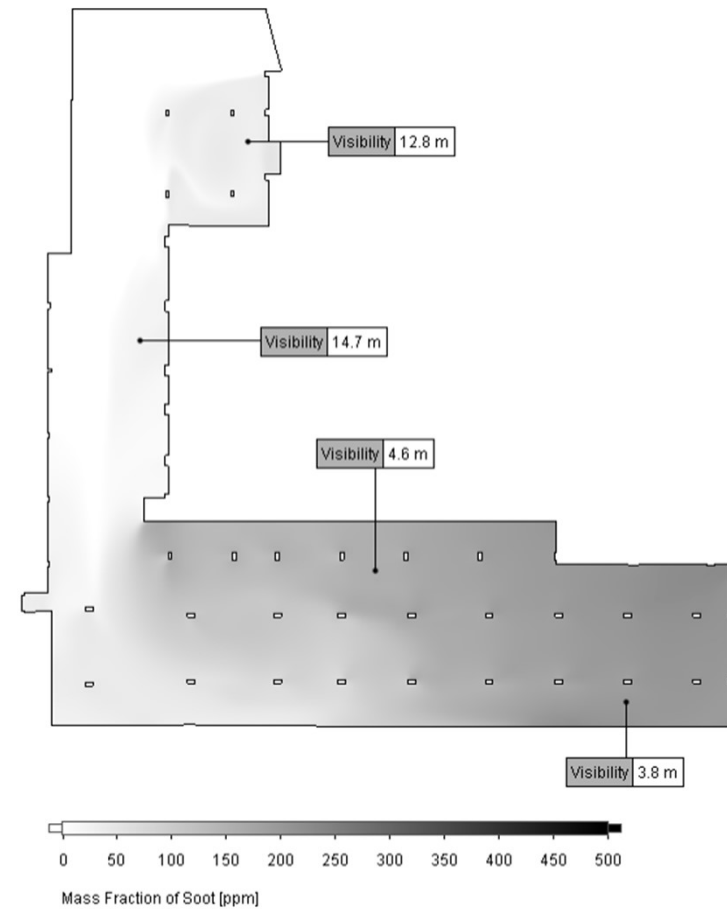
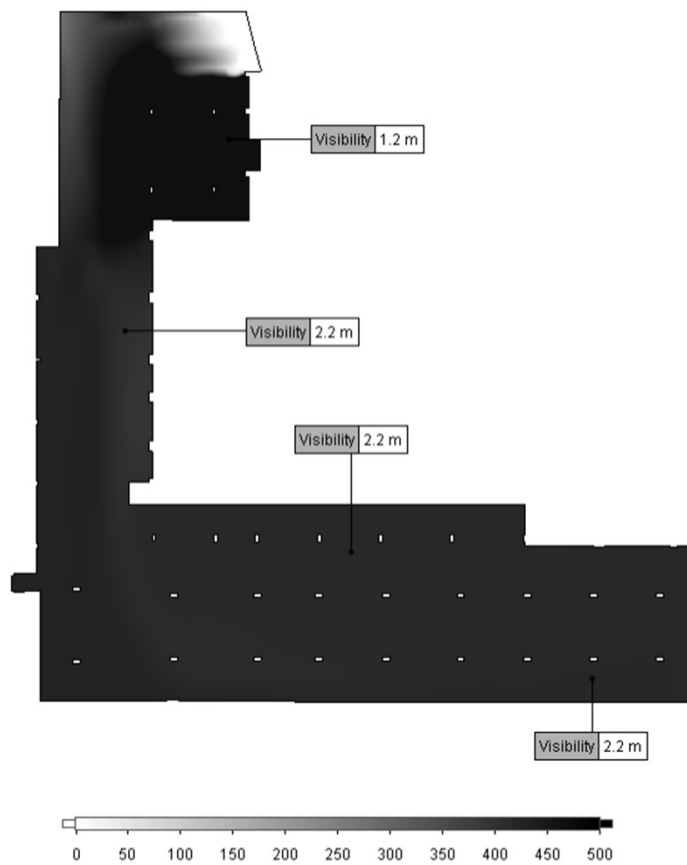
Figure 1: Velocity Streamlines at 1.8m Level 0



Figure 2: Velocity Vectors at 1.8m Level 0



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