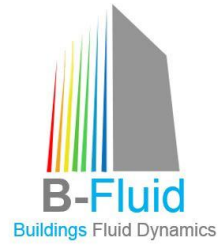


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PortalWall Endorsement

August 11th, 2025

To whom it may concern:

The façade industry faces challenges like energy efficiency, condensation control, fire safety, and structural integrity. PortalWall® offers a single integrated solution. Its effectiveness makes it an obvious choice for future builds.

After being introduced to the PortalWall® system, developed by Yonatan Margalit during our meeting at the GreenBuild Trade EXPO in Philadelphia in 2024, I have noted its innovative method for addressing thermal management in buildings gaining optimal thermal performances while controlling potential risk such as interstitial moisture issues through enhanced airflow within key wall areas. This advancement represents a noteworthy progression in the field. I fully support this initiative, and I am committed to contributing to its development and implementation.

Your sincerely,

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Airflow Modelling through Portalwall

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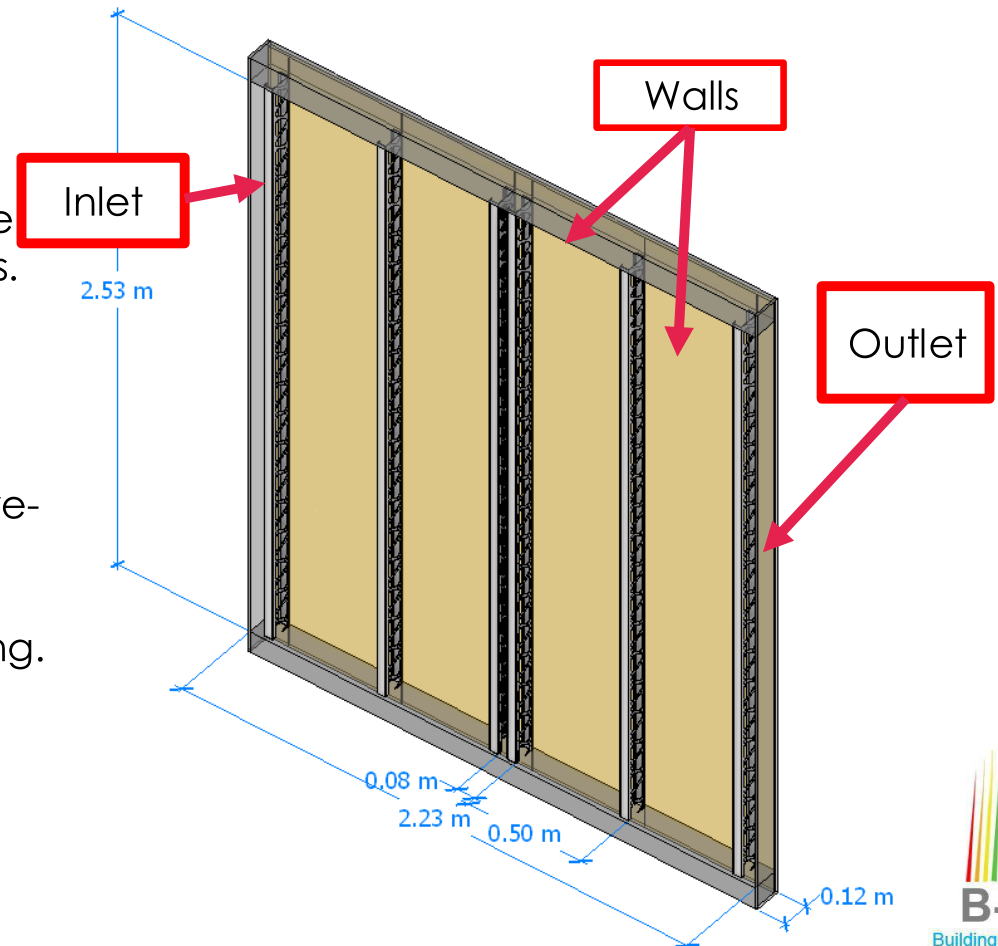
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CFD Methodology

- At intake side of the portalwall, velocity is defined and the standard air properties at temperature 20 °C were applied.
- At outlet side of the portalwall, zero gradient of velocity of air is assumed.
- The walls were modelled to be adiabatic and air is isothermal. The no slip condition was applied and zero velocity in the tree direction ($U_x=U_y=U_z=0$) was used for walls.
- Three dimensional steady CFD Analysis Was performed for solving the momentum, continuity. The RANS SST turbulence model was used to solve turbulence transport equations, with the both standard wall function model for near wall treatment. Finite Volume Discretization (FVM) is employed to approximate the governing equation. Interpolation scheme is employed for solution of governing equation.

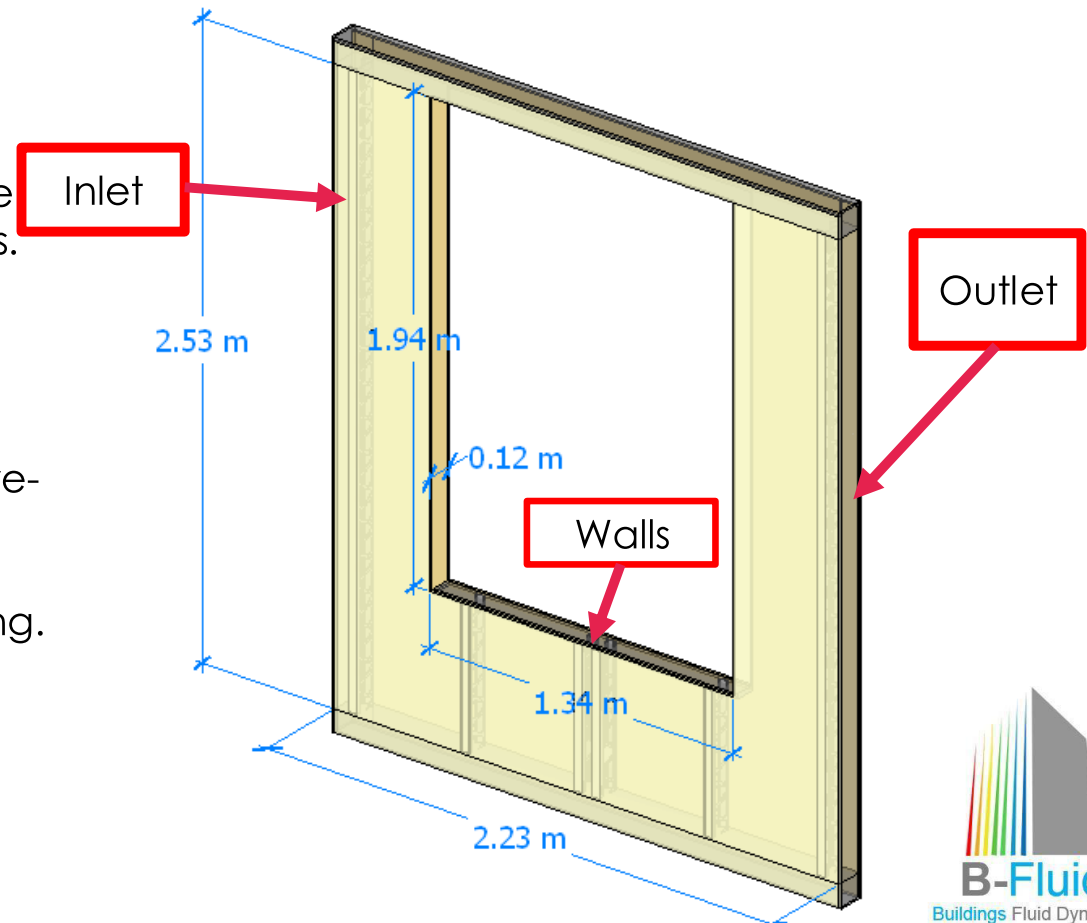
Boundary Condition and Dimensions Model A

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- Default initial conditions implemented in the computer code are used for the simulations.
- OpenFoam software is applied for solving Navier-Stokes equations.
- SketchUp and OpenFoam are utilized for pre-processing and mesh generation.
- Paraview software is used for post-processing.



Boundary Condition and Dimensions Model B

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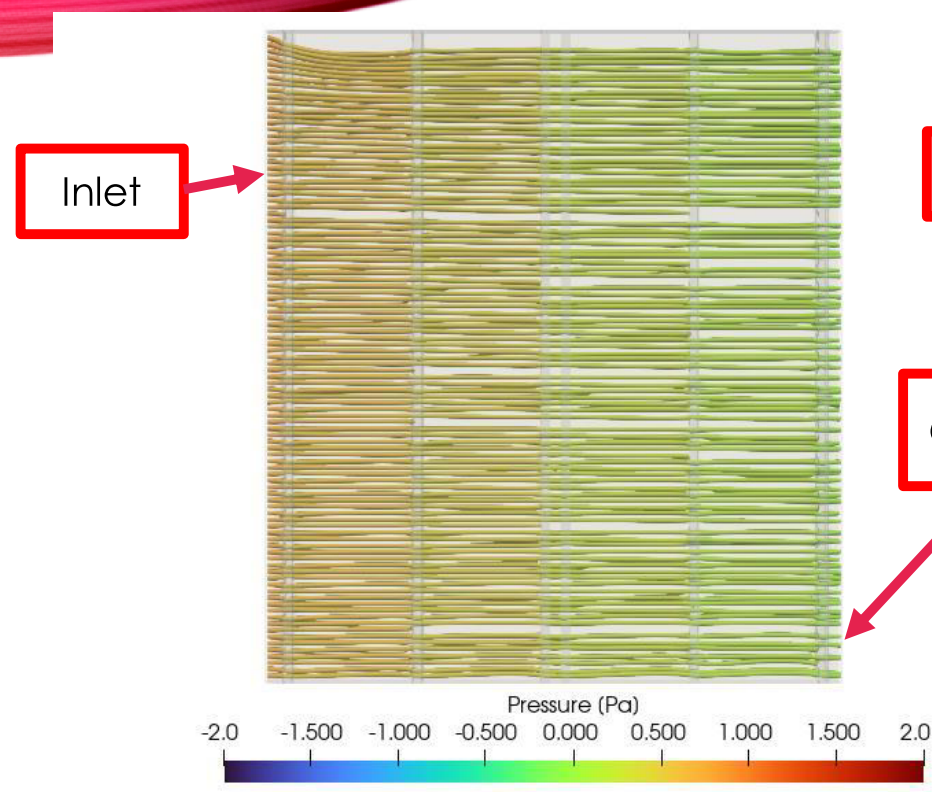


Model A (air flow: 0.046 l/s)

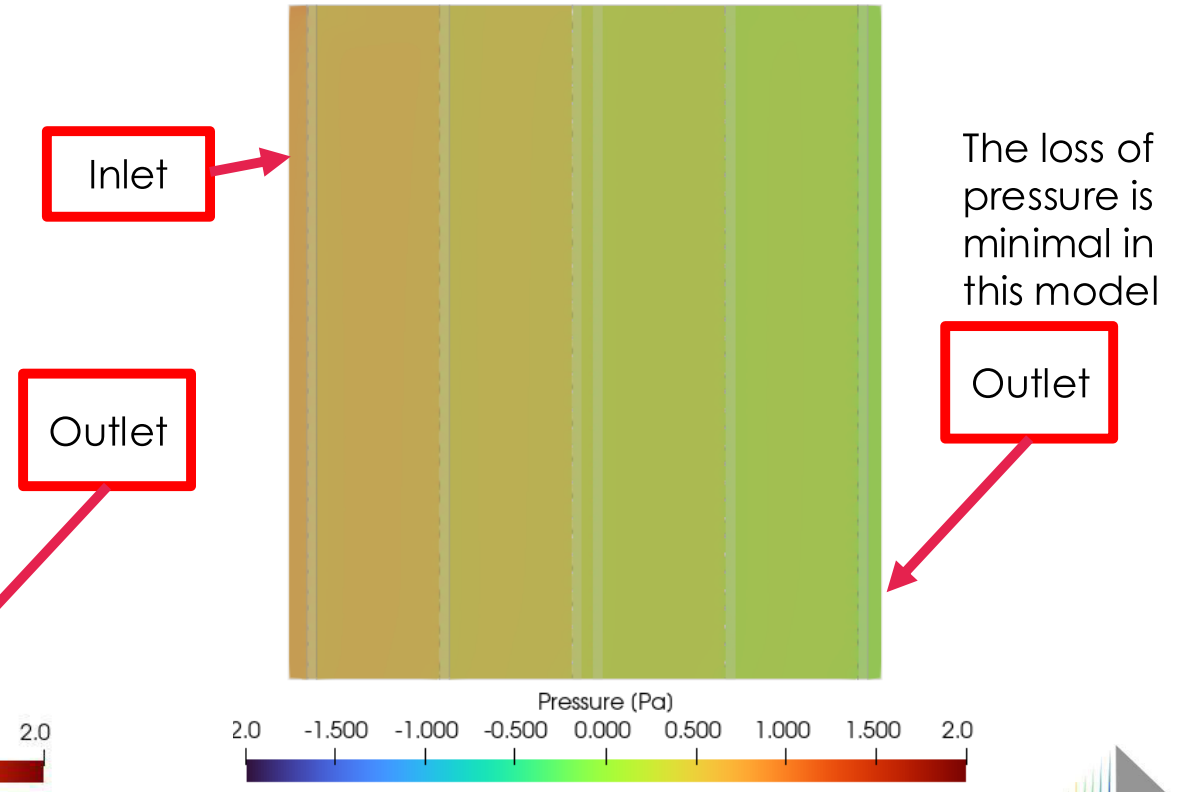
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- Velocity Range: 0 – 0.3 m/s
- Pressure Range: -2 – 2 Pa

CFD Results – Model A



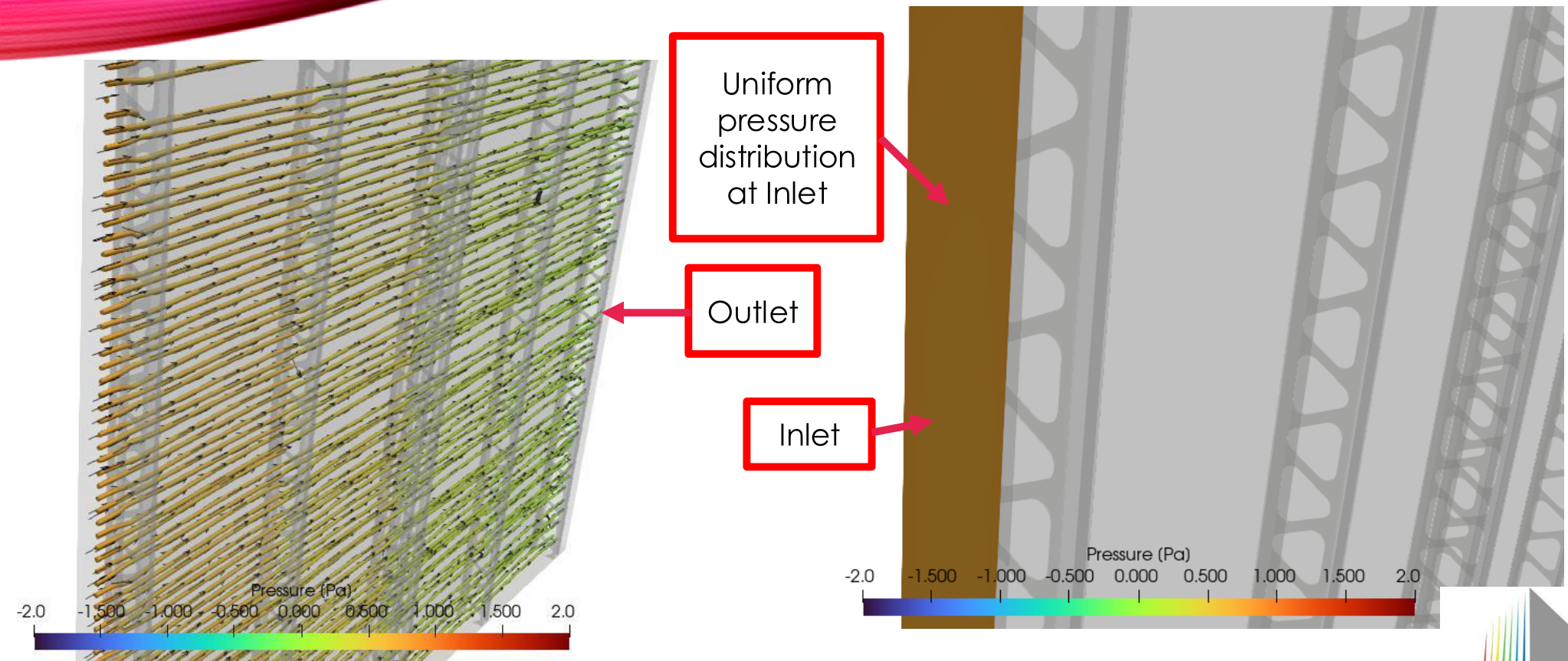
Air flow direction 



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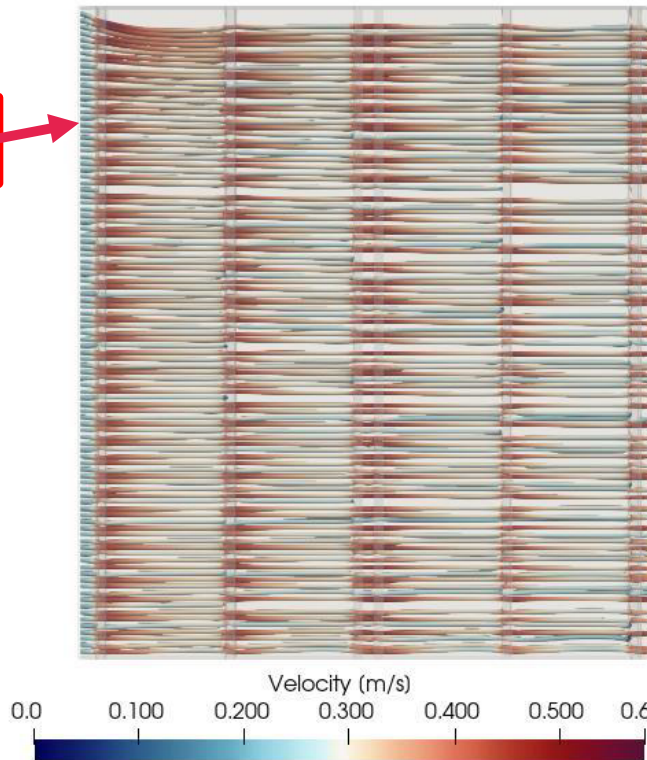
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CFD Results – Model A



CFD Results – Model A

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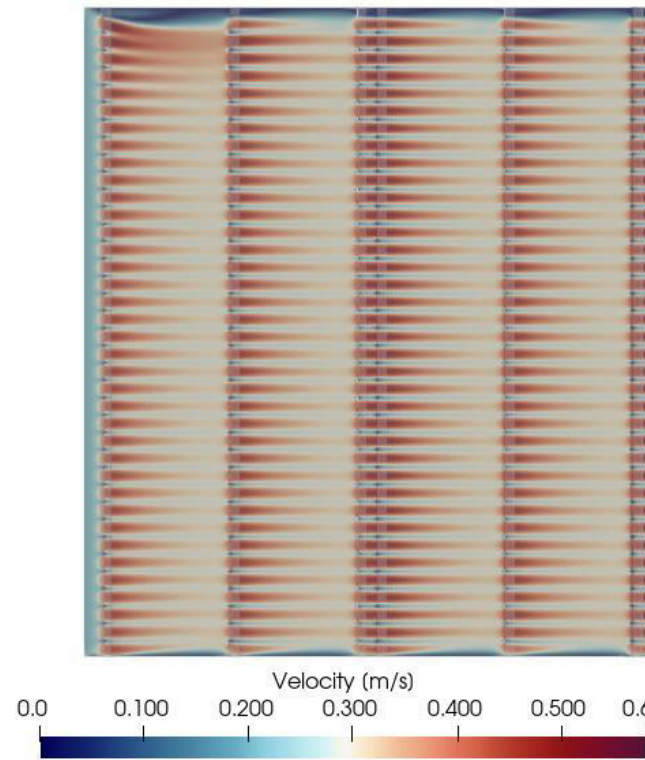


Air flow direction



A uniform distribution of air flow results a consistent air age throughout, allowing for optimal replacement of stale air with fresh air.

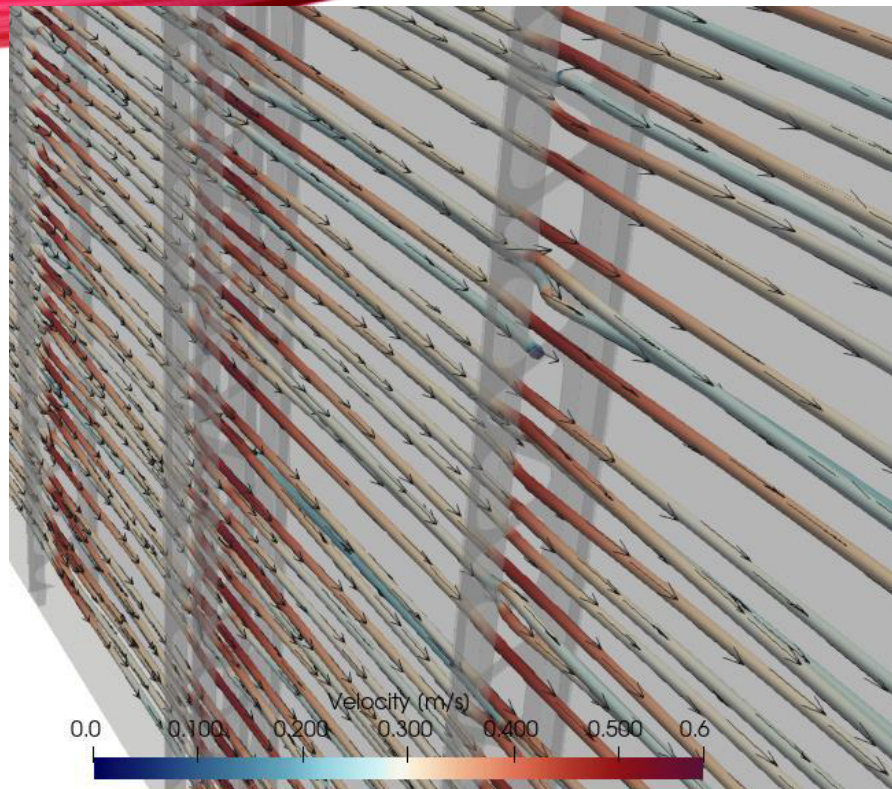
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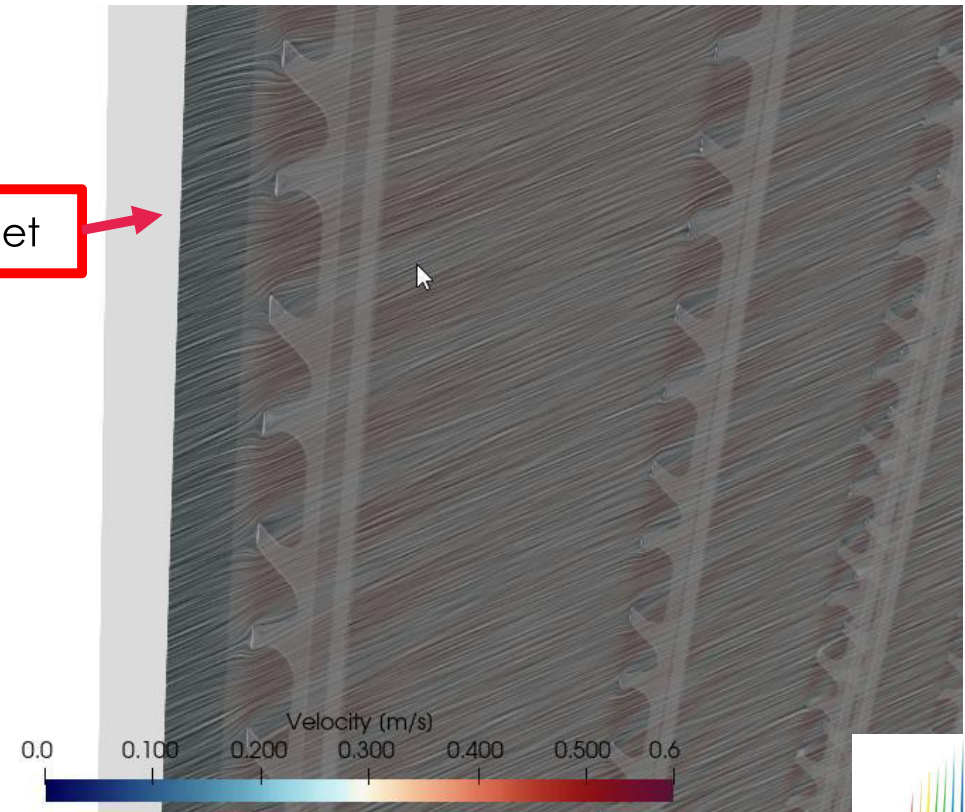
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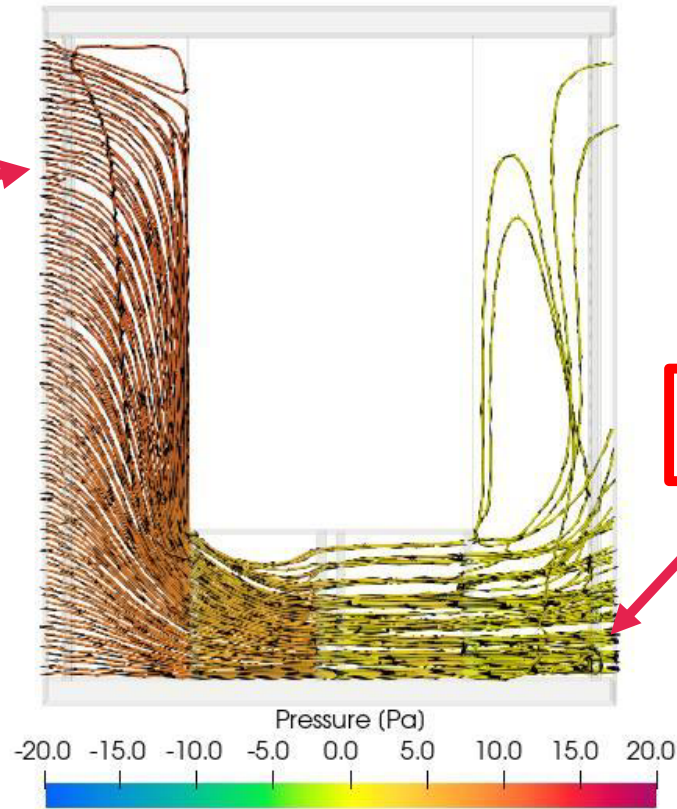


Model B (air flow: 0.046 l/s)

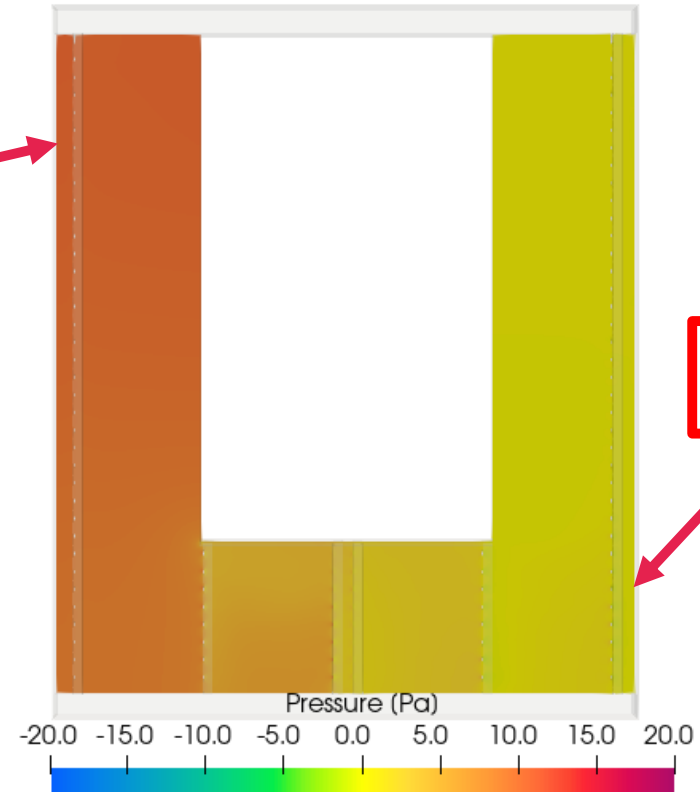
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- Velocity Range: 0 – 2.7 m/s
- Pressure Range: -20 – 20 Pa

CFD Results – Model B



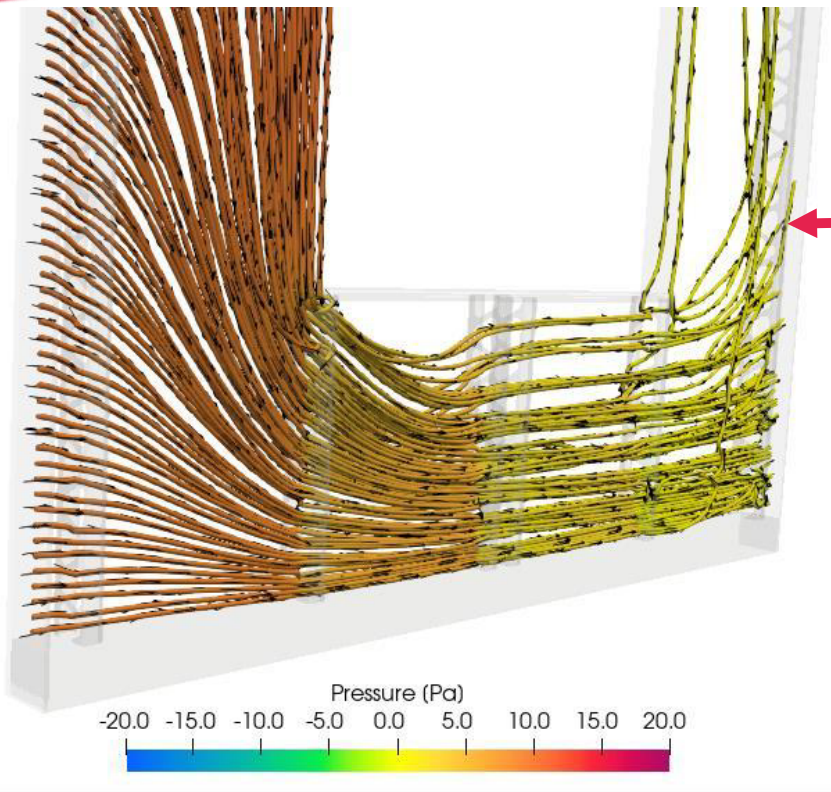
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The loss of pressure is minimal in this model

Air flow direction 

CFD Results – Model B

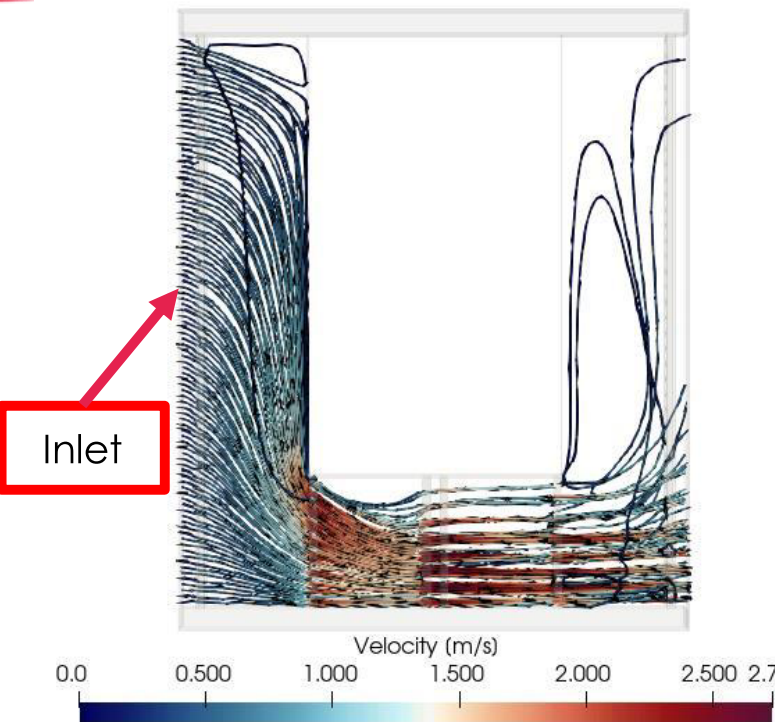


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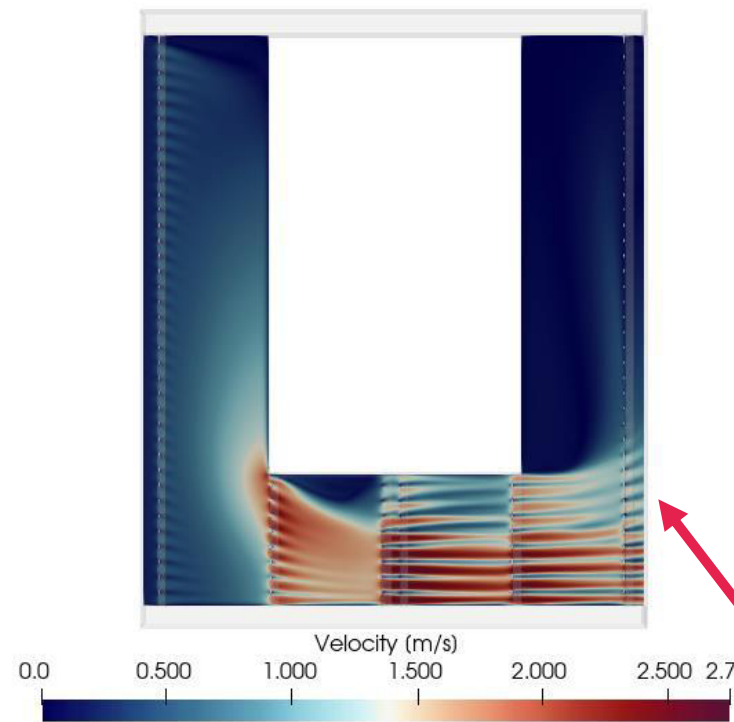
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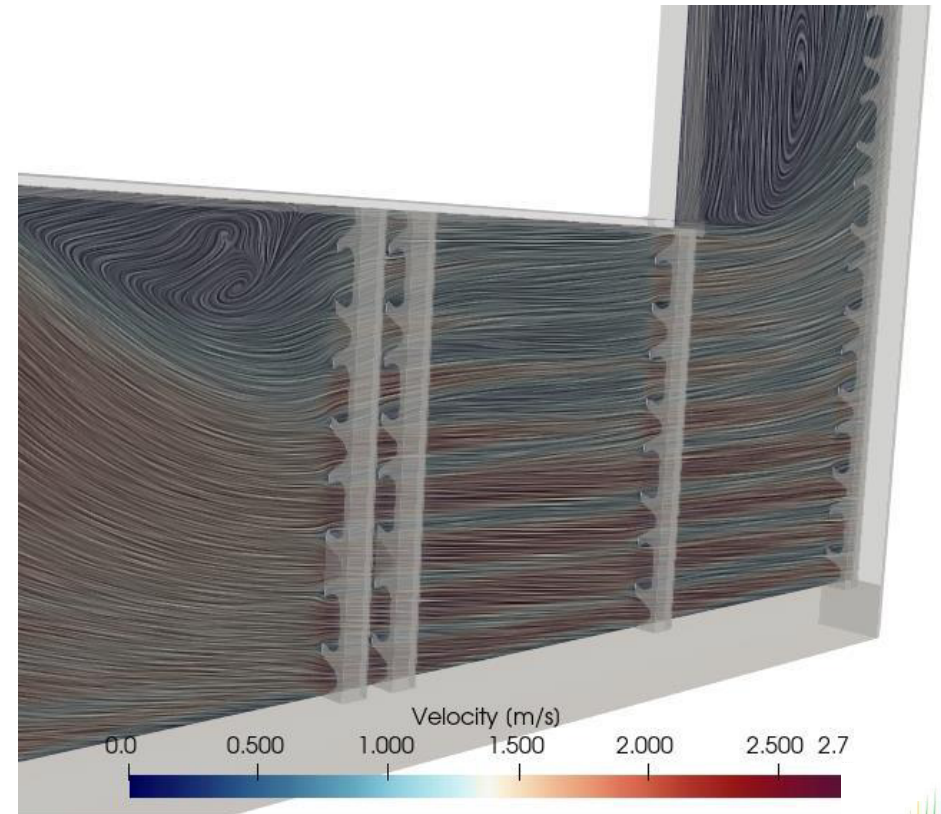
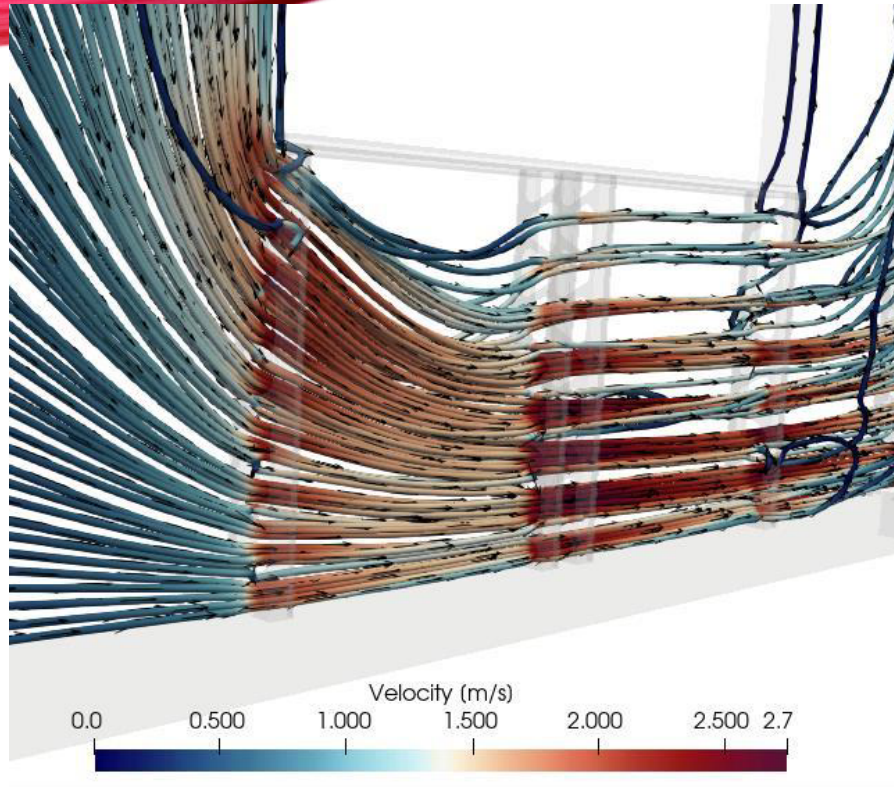
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An uneven distribution of airflow within a space leads to an inconsistent air age, resulting in inefficient ventilation. This inconsistency prevents the uniform replacement of stale air with fresh air, as some areas may experience inadequate airflow while others receive an overabundance.

CFD Results – Model B



Summary of Conclusions

Case	Pressure drop (Pa)	Average Air speed at inlet (m/s)*
Air flow 0.046 l/s – Model A	2	0.2
Air flow 0.046 l/s – Model B	11	0.2

Flow Testing

Aeroacoustics
Testing



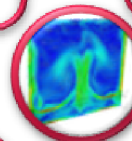
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On Site Smoke
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