



# Context-Aware Urban Energy Efficiency Optimization Using Hybrid Physical Models

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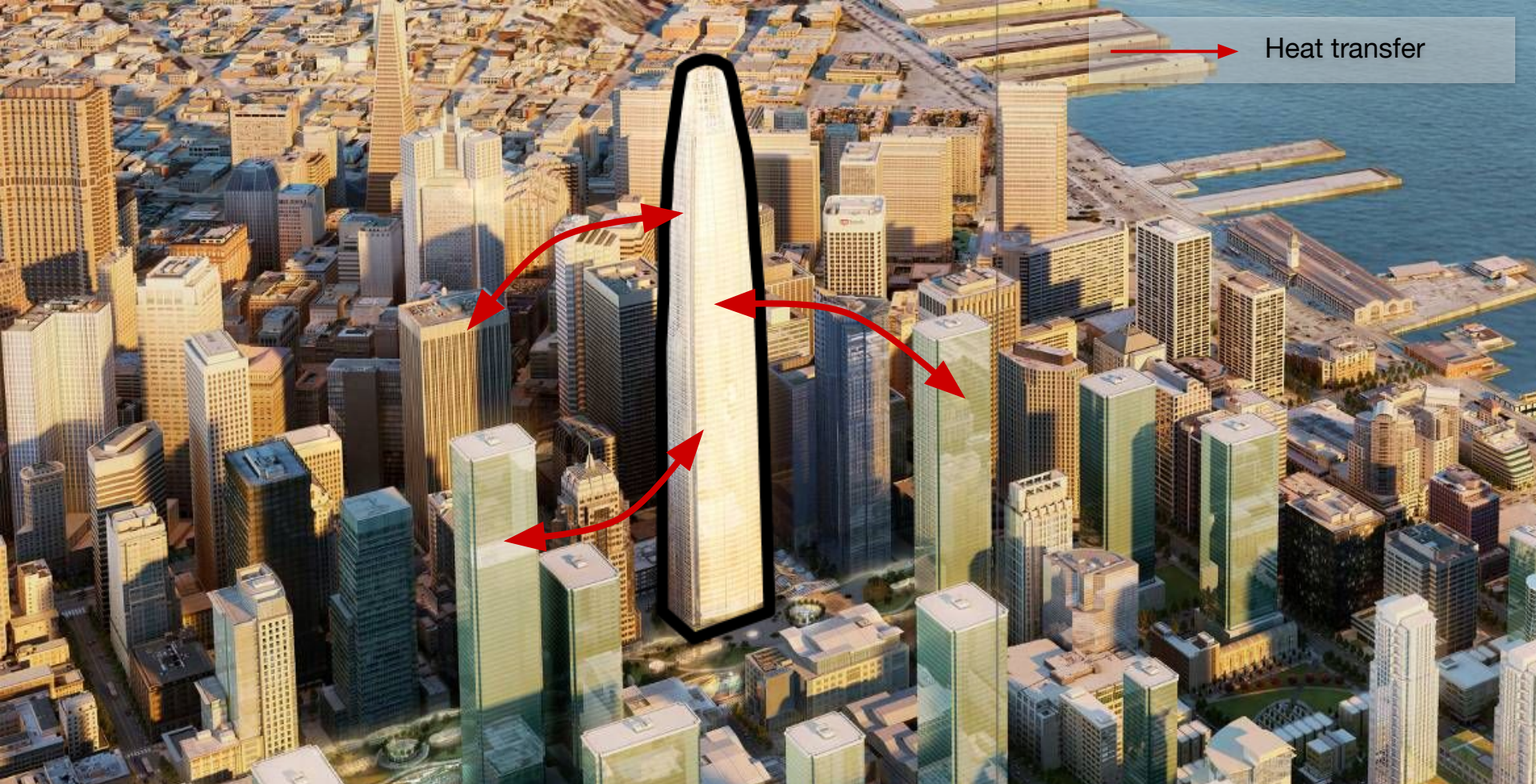
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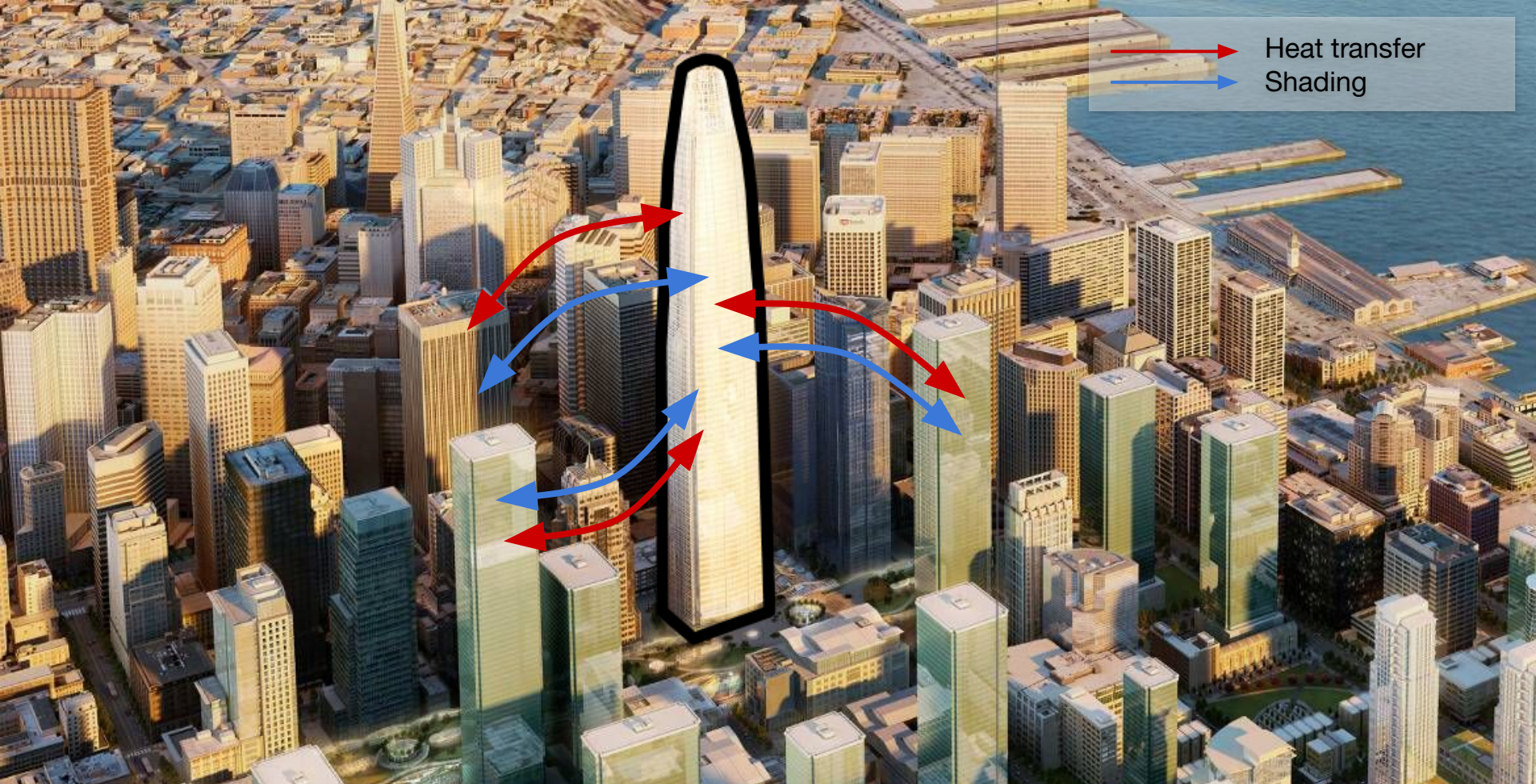






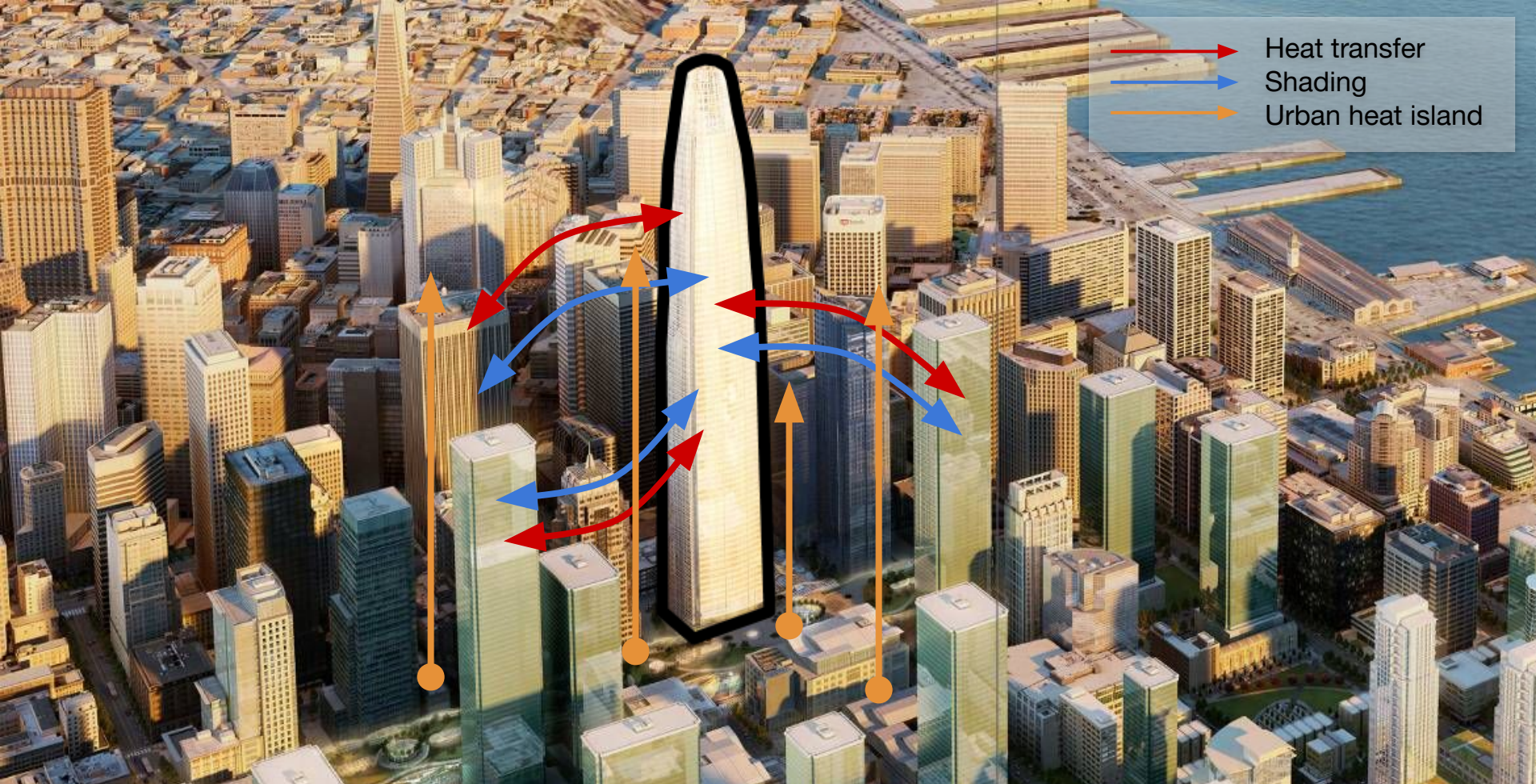
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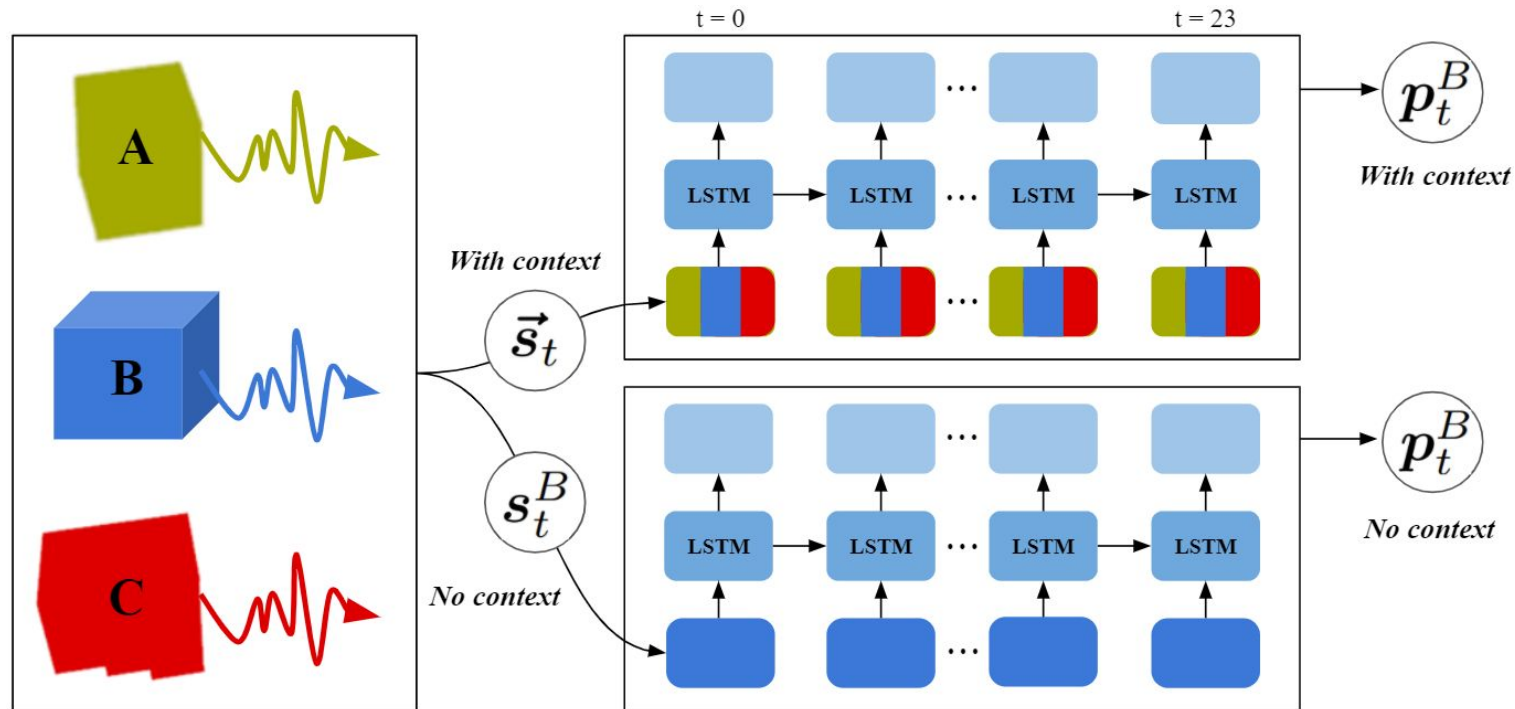


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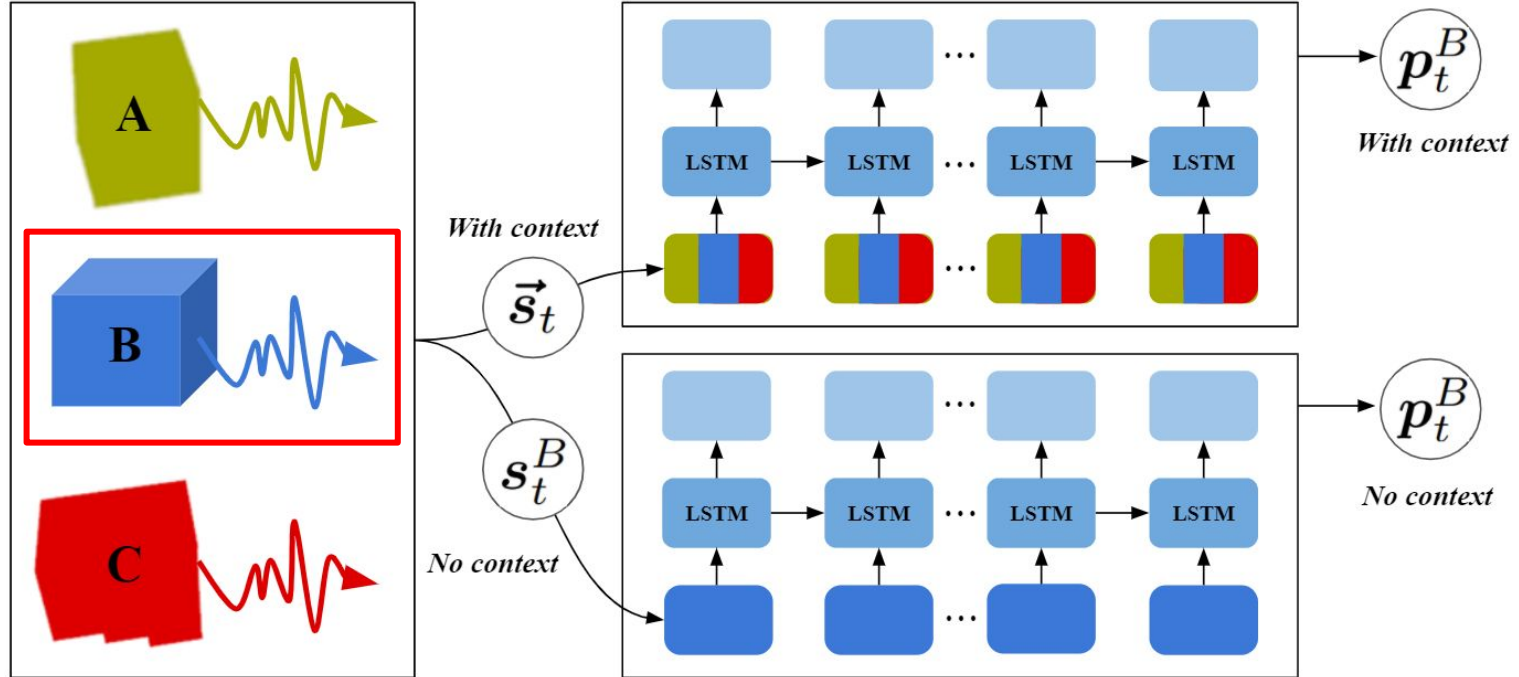
# Methods



A comparison of *no context* and *with context* methods

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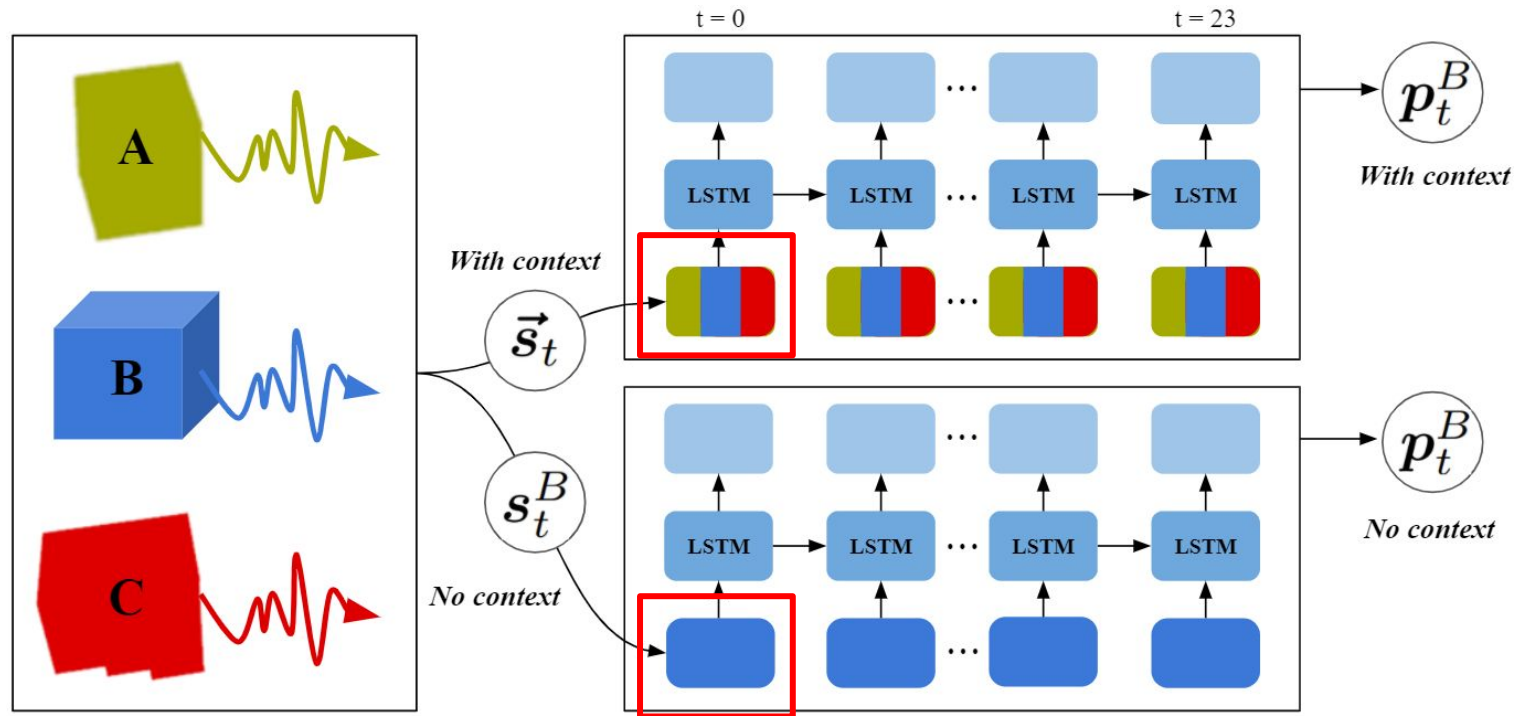
Outputs from simulation



Individual building simulations as input to both methods

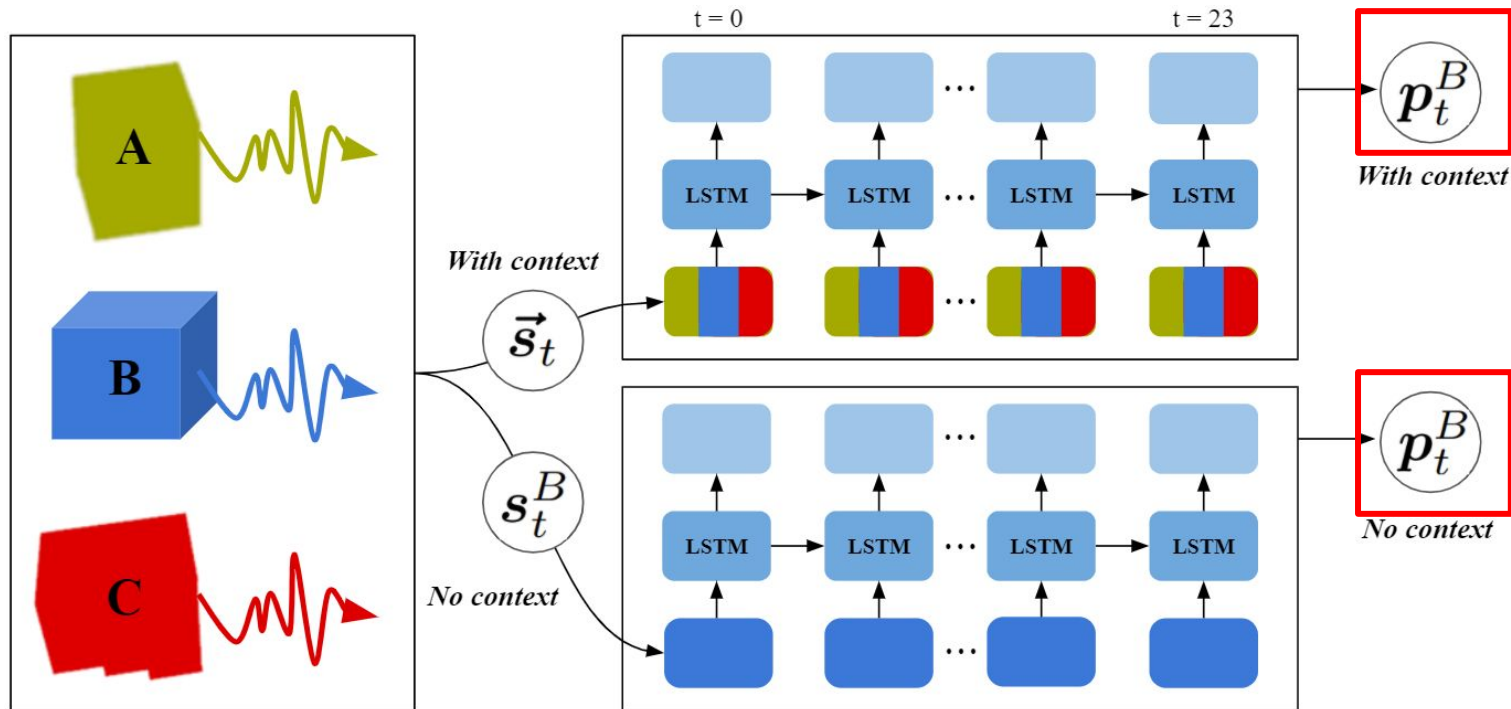


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*No context:* one input building  
*With context:* all input buildings

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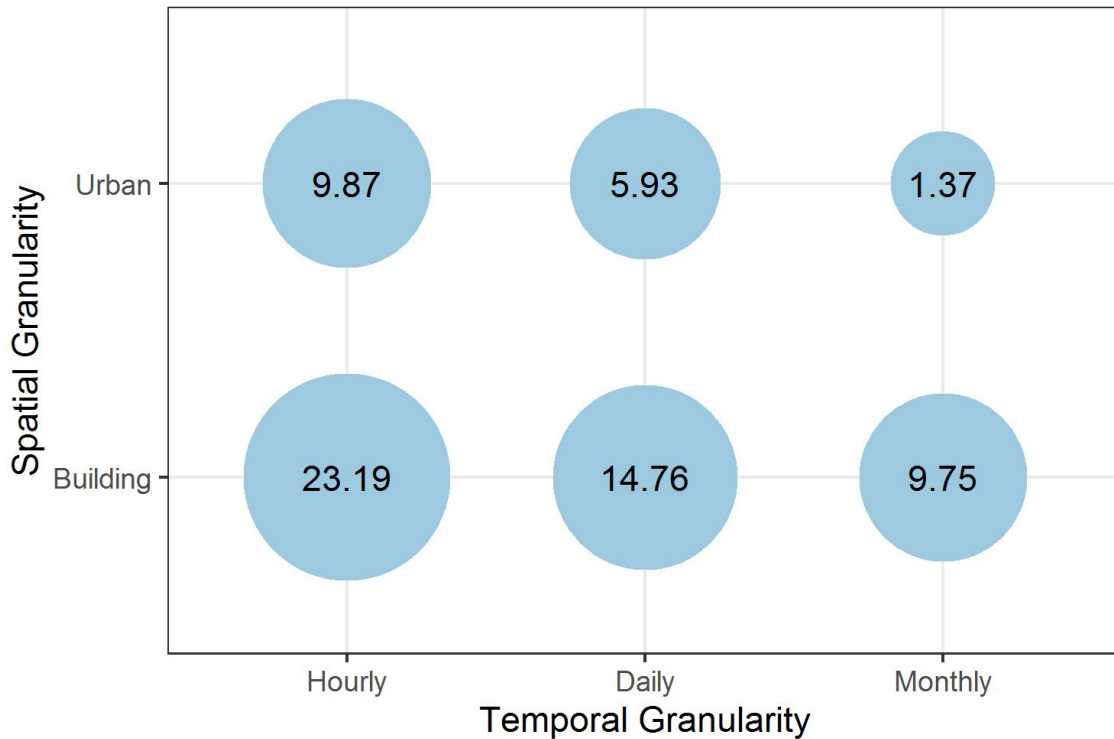
Predictions are made for one target building at a time in both methods



# Results

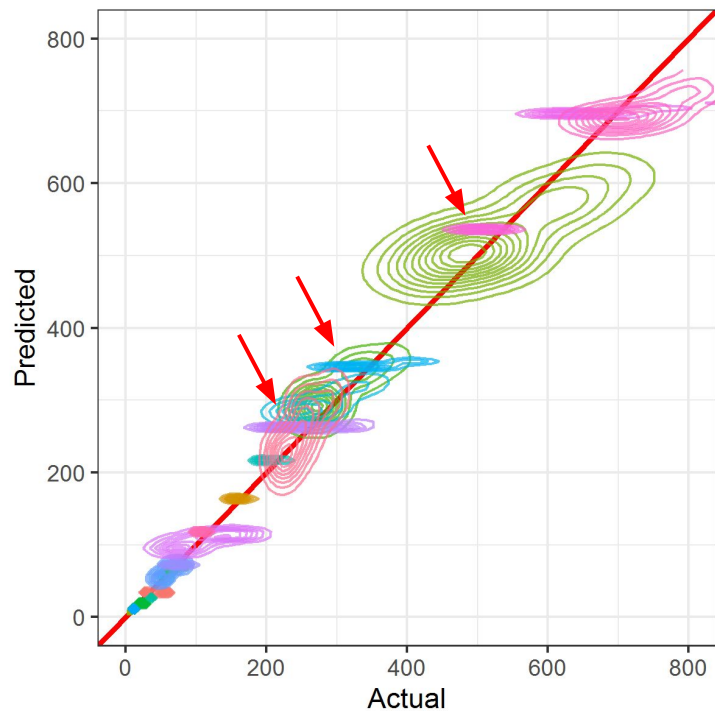
## % Error Across Spatiotemporal Scales

Error decreases monotonically as granularity decreases

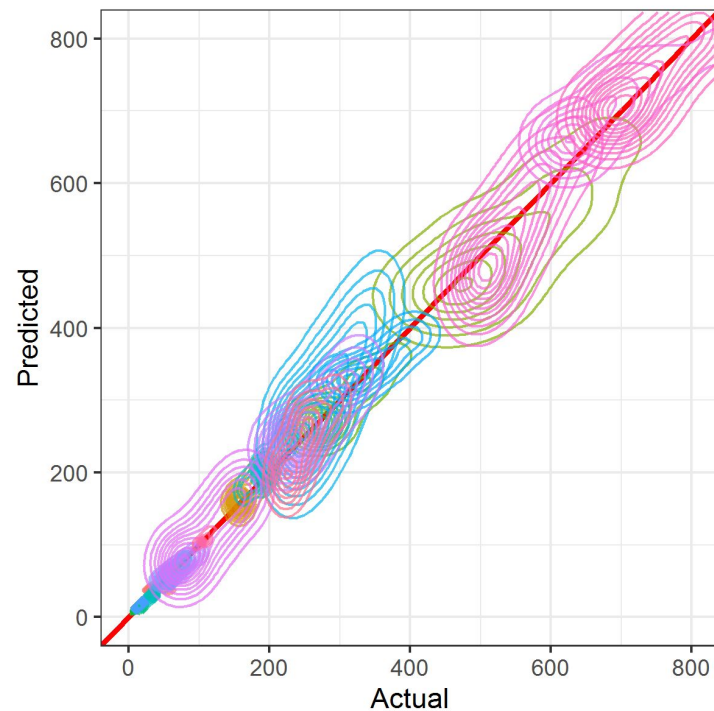


*With context* mean average percent error

# Results



*No Context Model*

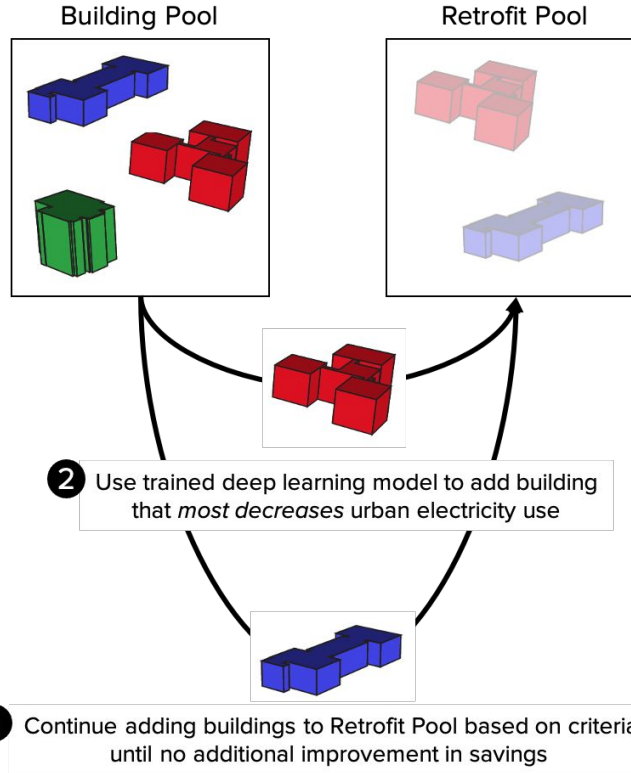


*With Context Model*



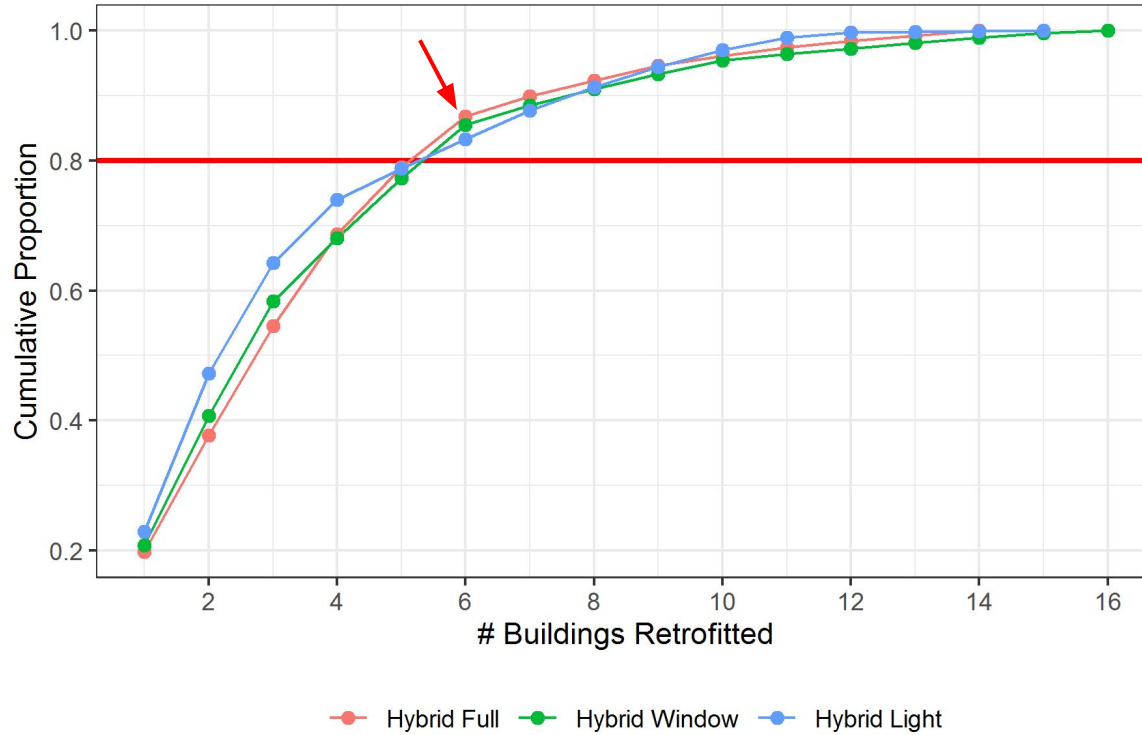
# Applications

- 1 All buildings begin in Building Pool



Greedy building selection method

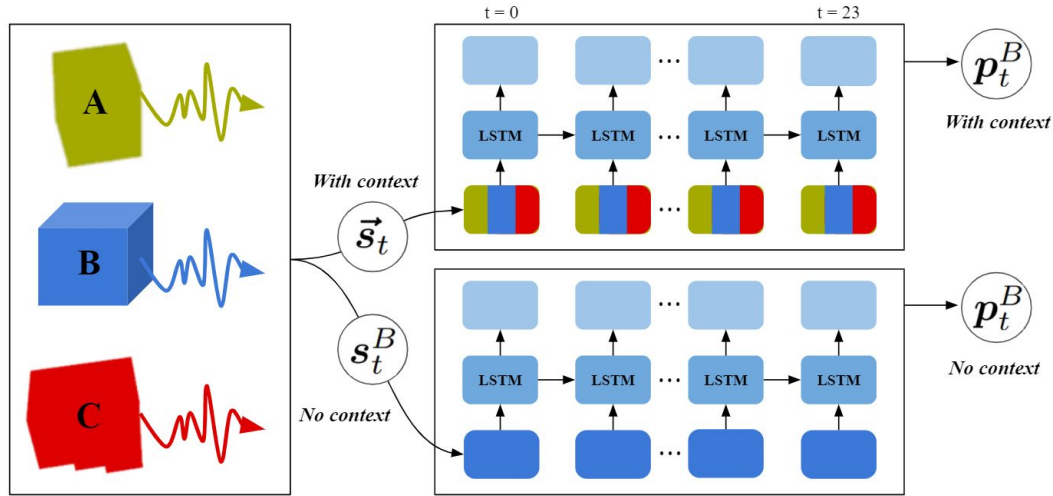
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80% of maximum potential savings with only 6 buildings



# Next Steps



## Conclusions

Hybrid modelling approach can assess the influence of urban context on retrofit efficacy

DUE-S can help inform urban energy decision making for variety of stakeholders

## Future Work

Explore methods to better quantify the influence of specific inter-building effects

Integrate renewable energy generation (e.g., solar) into DUE-S modelling framework

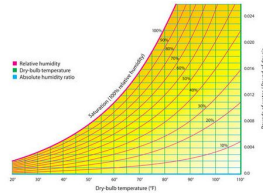
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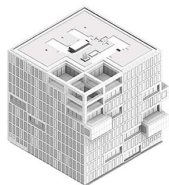


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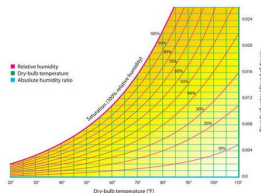
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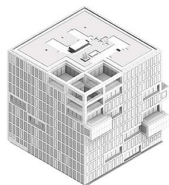
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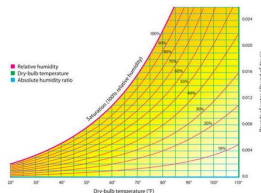




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