
(TRANSIENT) NOISE OF HEAT PUMPS

IEA HPT TCP – Annex 51 – Task 4 (and partially Task 3)
Acoustic Signatures of heat pumps



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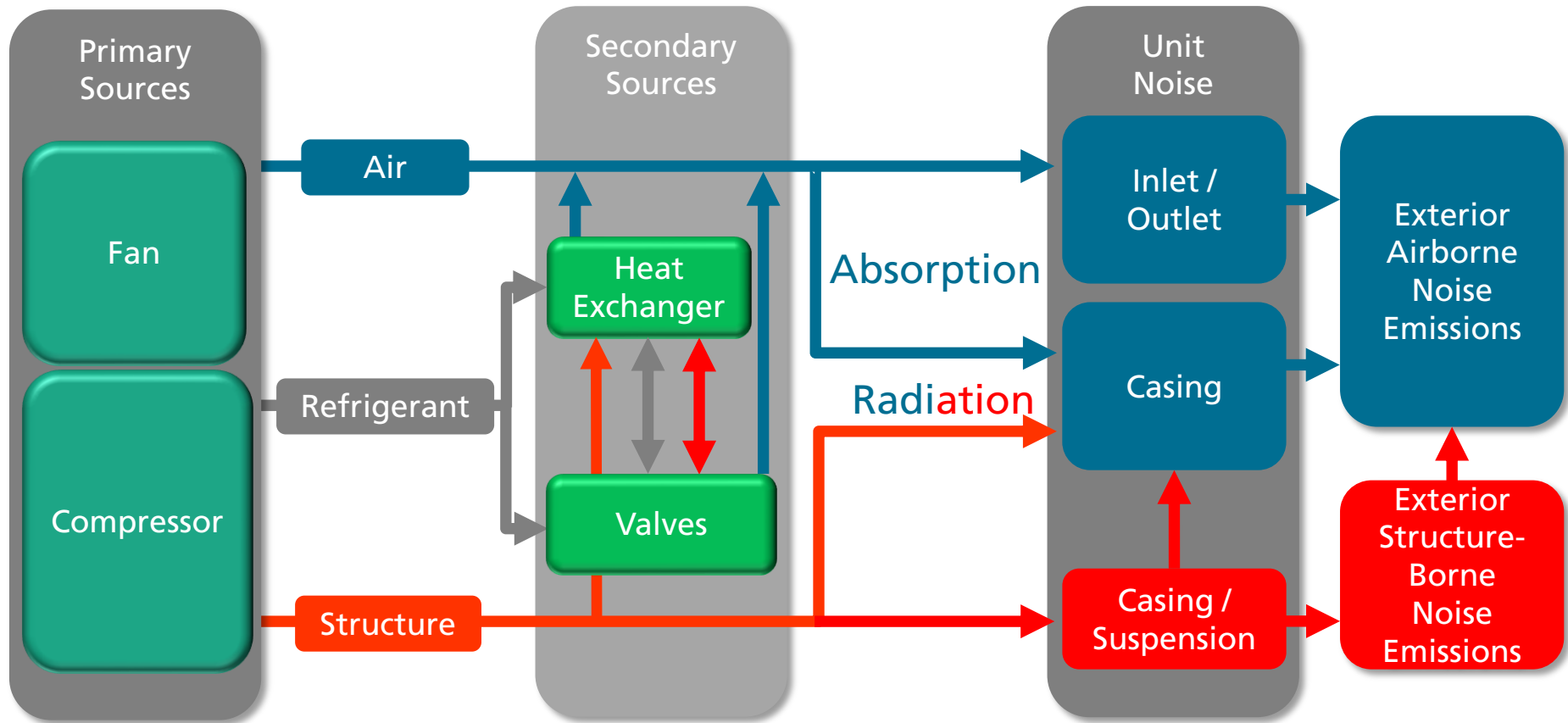
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Interdependency of air and structure-borne noise

Heat Pump

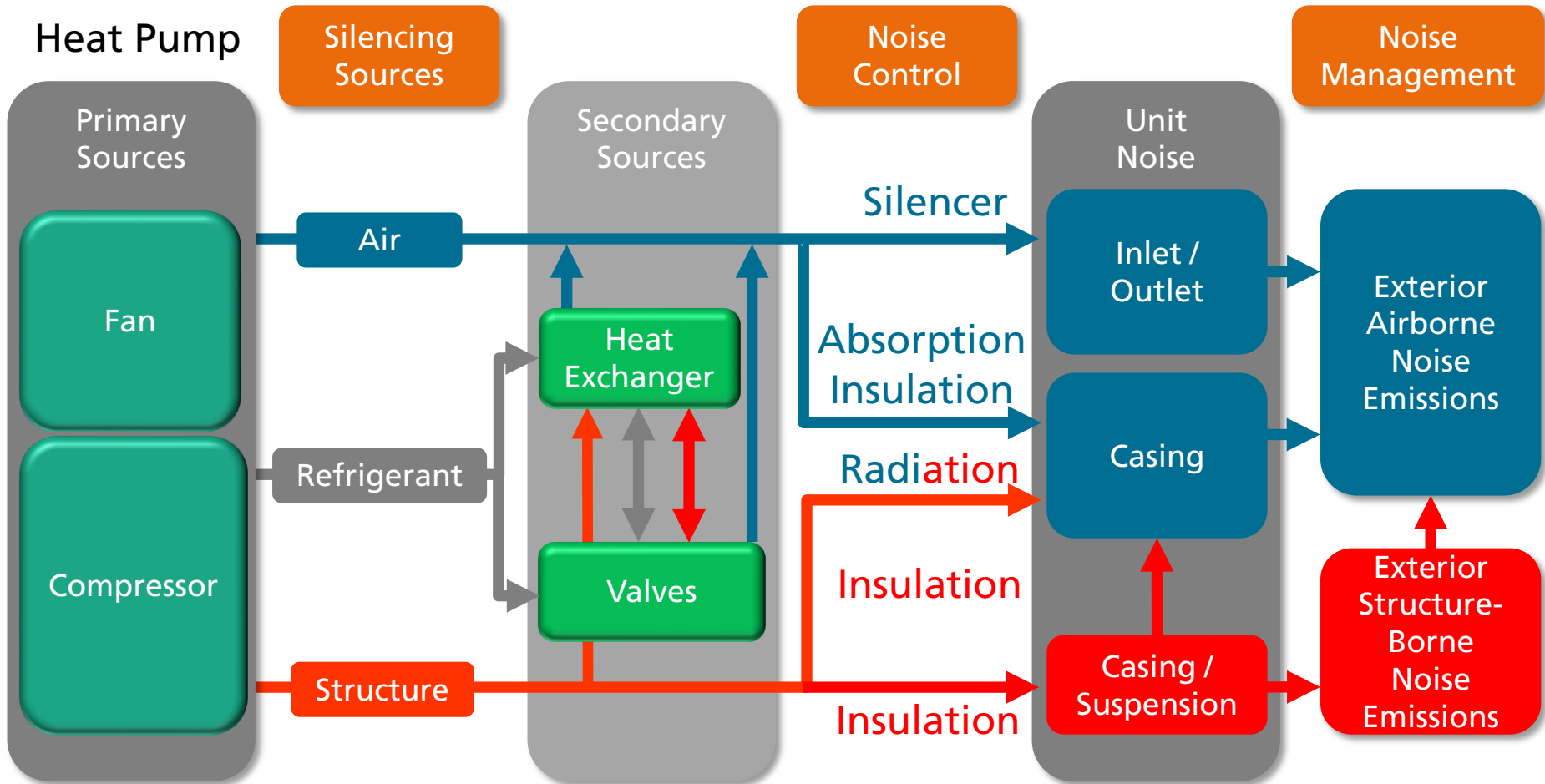


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Noise of components and noise control – Task 3 activities



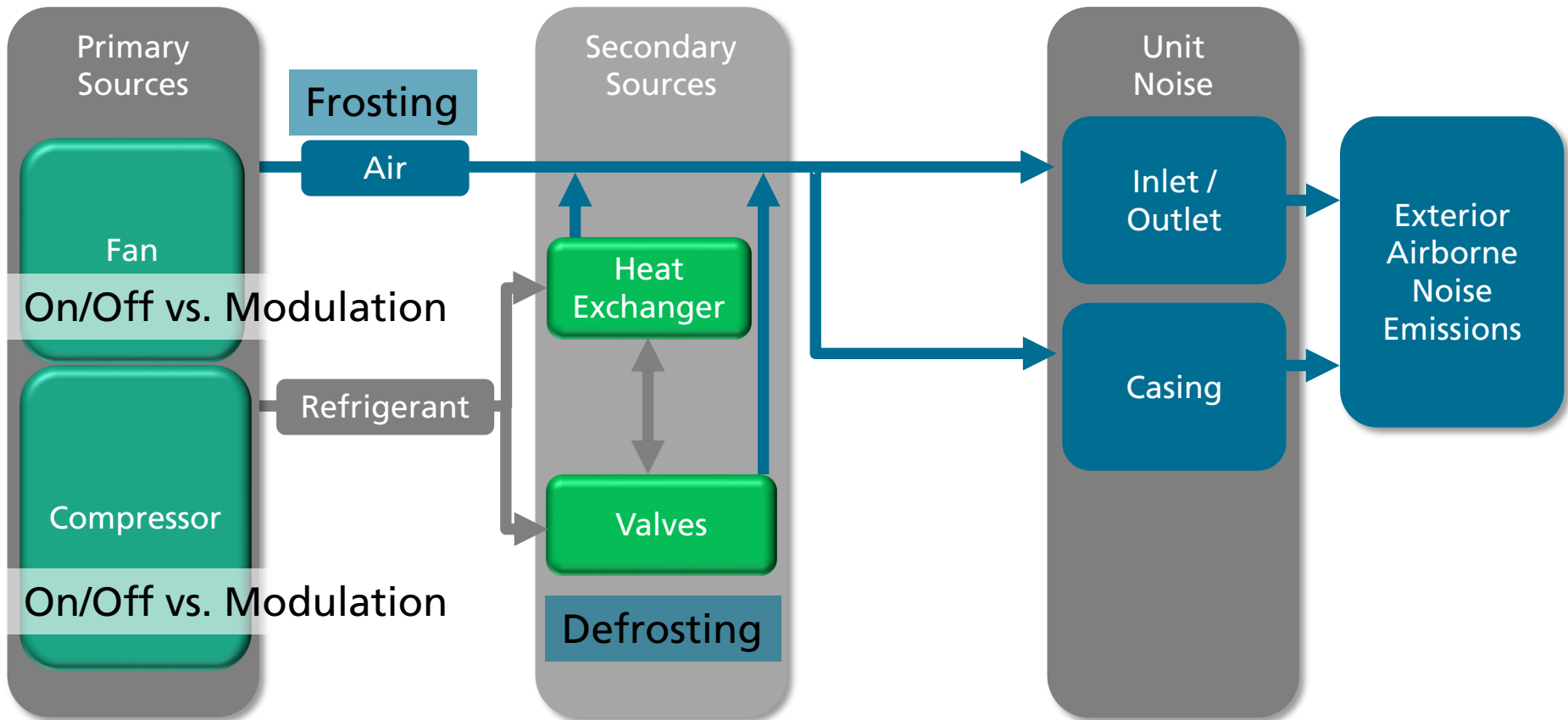
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Transient noise effects in operated HPs – Task 4 activities

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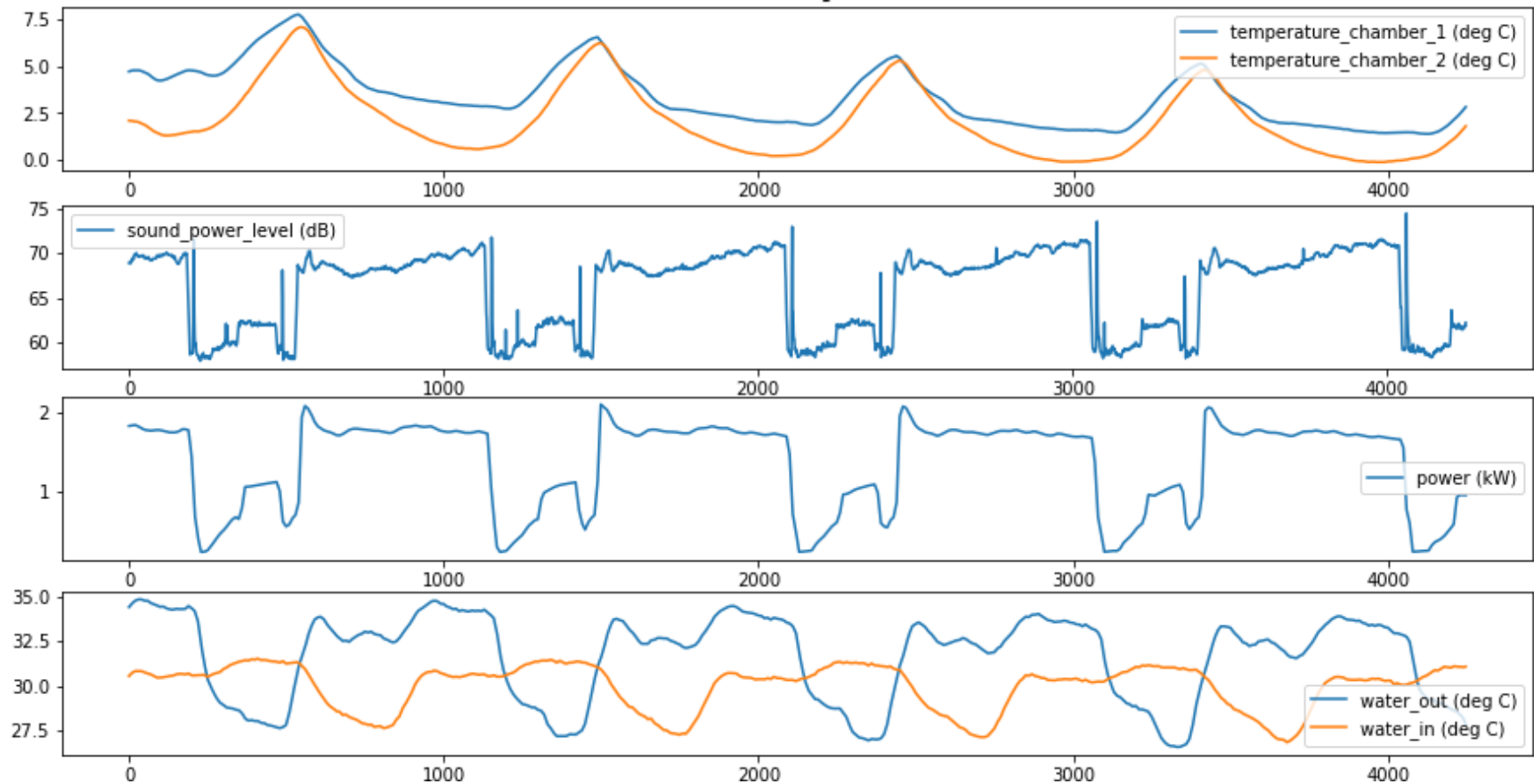
Transient noise effects in operated HPs – Task 4 activities

Dynamic processes	Time scale [h]	Frequency [day ⁻¹]	Acoustic impact [Large/Small]	Involved excitators
Frost growth	$0.5 < x < 8$	1-7	Large	evaporator, fan, compressor
Defrosting	< 0.2	1-7	Large	compressor, 4-way valve
Superheat control	< 0.01	Permanent	Small	eev
Compressor frequency modulation	$0.2 < x < 0.01$	Permanent	Large	compressor
Hydronic pumps	> 0.1	Permanent	Small	hydronic pump
Hydronic valves	> 0.1	Permanent	Small	hydronic valves
Air flow / Fan frequency	$0.1 < x < 0.01$	Permanent	Large	fan

- nature and intensity of emitted noises strongly depend on the operating conditions → see preliminary presentation + task 2 + task 4 report
- Most prominent: emissions during frosting/defrosting
 - switching to reverse flow counts for hissing noises
 - frost growth

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Frosting / Defrosting

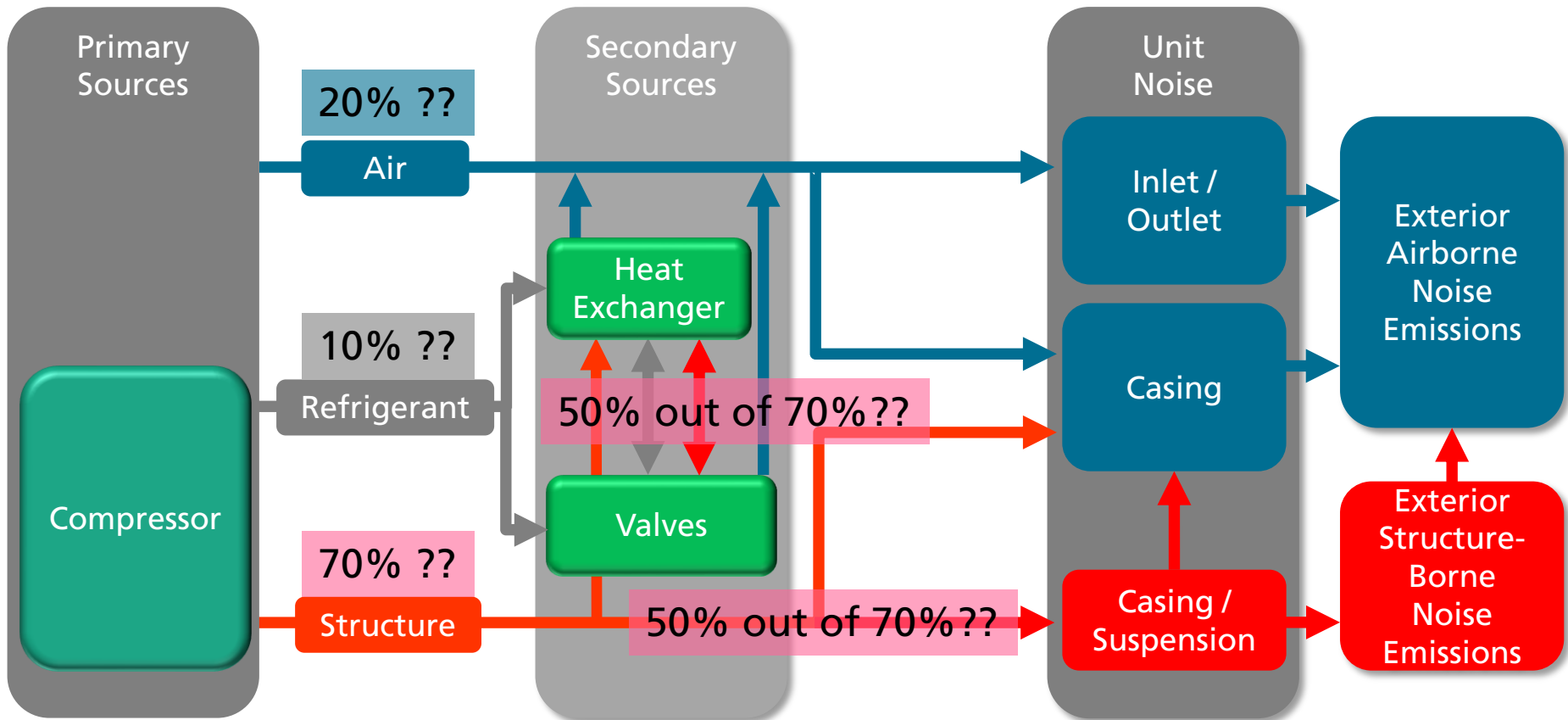


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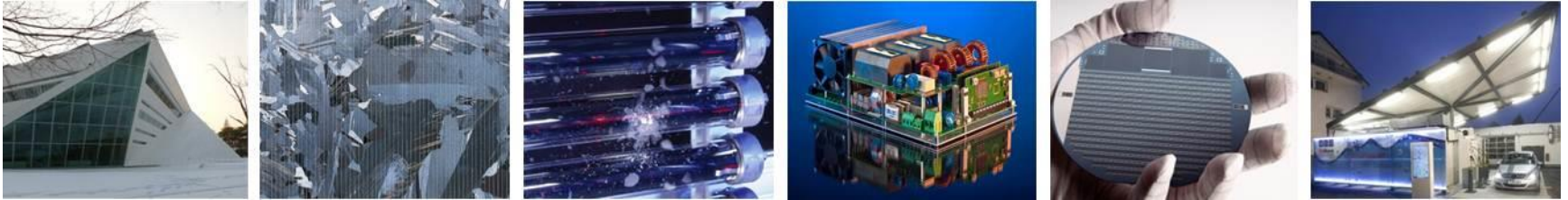
What is the share of noise types by a compressor?

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Thank you for your attention!



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