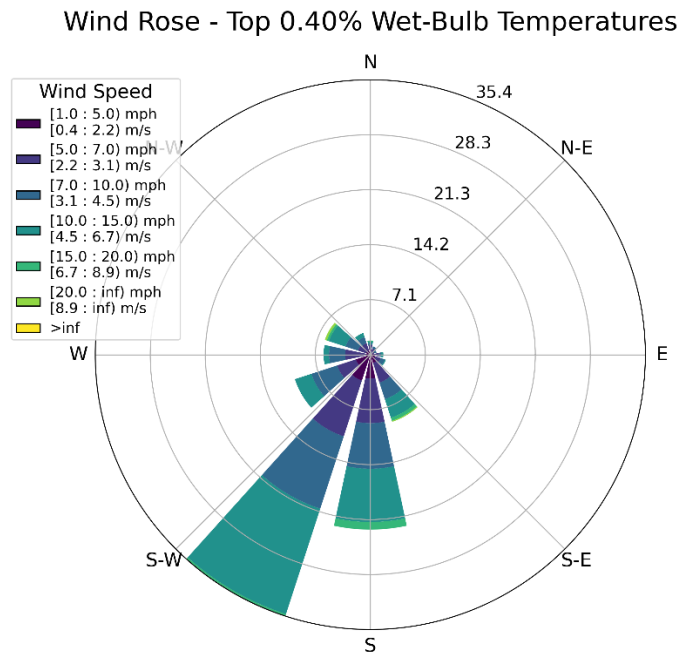


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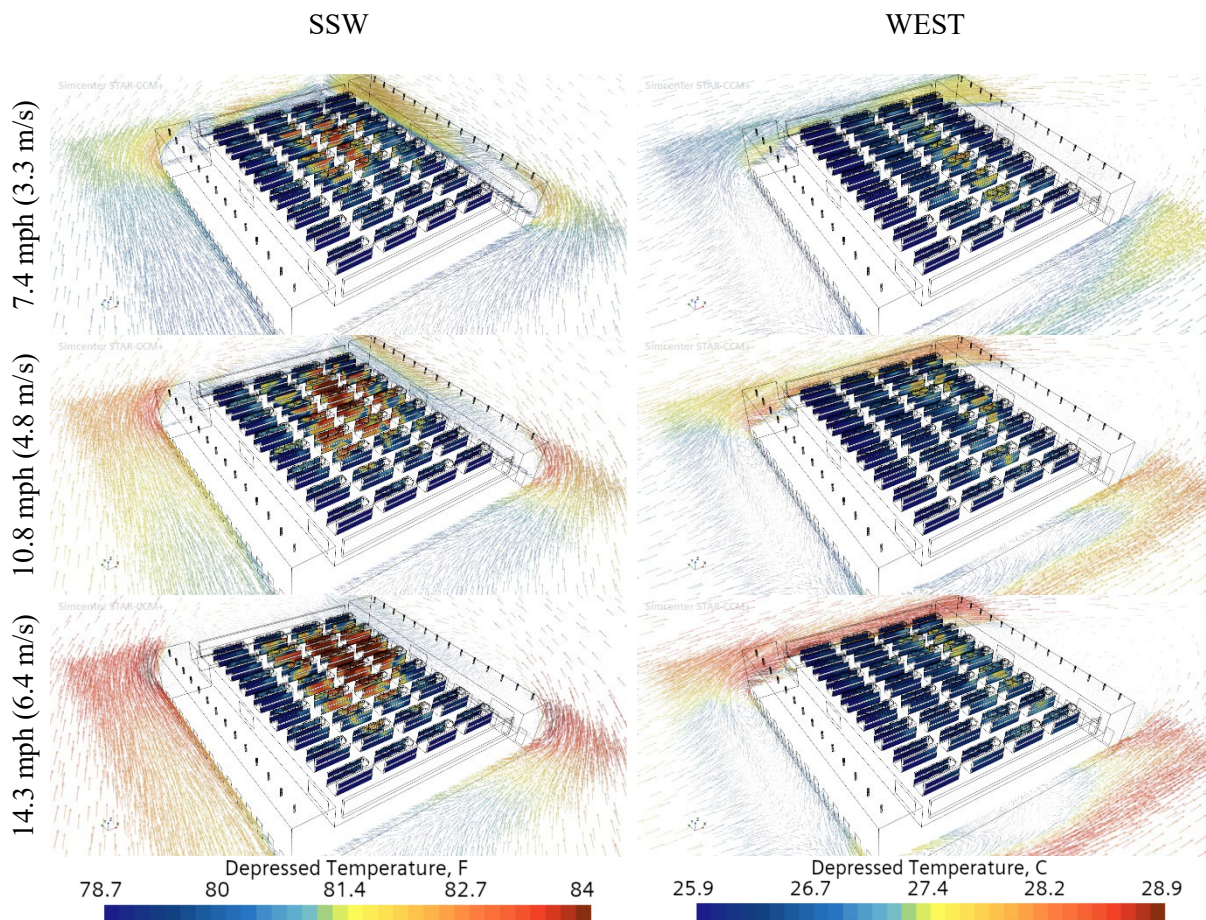
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Online Figure 1: Wind direction and speed distribution during the top 0.4% of wet-bulb temperature events. Calm conditions (<1 mph, 0.4 m/s) are excluded in both analyses.

Air Flow Rate – cfm (m ³ /s)	535,398	(253)
Cooling Capacity – MBH (KW)	8530.3	(2500)
Fan Heat Rejection – MBH (KW)	305.3	(89.5)
Total Heat Rejection – MBH (KW)	8835.7	(2589.5)
Redundancy Factor	0.875	
Adjusted Total Heat Rejection – MBH (KW)	7731.2	(2265.8)
Saturation Efficiency	0.8	
Design Approach (Leaving Fluid Temp - Depressed Temp) - °F (°C)	13	(7.5)
Design WBT - °F (°C)	77.3	(25.2)
Design MCDB - °F (°C)	88.5	(31.4)

Online Table 1 Adiabatic dry coolers' specifications



Online Figure 2 Depressed temperature for each unit under different wind speeds and directions.

Power at Standby - ekW	3250.0	
Flue Flowrate – cfm (m ³ /s)	25451.0	(12.0)
Flue Temperature - °F (°C)	920.0	(493.3)
Combustion Air Requirement – cfm (m ³ /s)	9571.5	(4.5)
Radiator Air Flowrate – cfm (m ³ /s)	116397.0	(54.9)
Heat Rejection – MBH (KW)	8025.4	(2352.0)

Online Table 2 Summary of Generator Performance