Durability, Resilience and Energy Efficiency: Working Together to Make Sustainable Buildings

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Learning Objectives

• Understand basic building science principles of air, water and thermal management as they pertain to wall systems
• Understand the key material properties which must be assessed when designing wall systems with increased thermal performance
• Review the progress in the development of industry standards and guidelines for detailing highly insulated wall assemblies.
Resilience
Sustainable
Energy Efficient
Durability
Energy Efficient

Share of total energy consumed by major sectors of the economy, 2012

- Commercial: 18%
- Industrial: 32%
- Residential: 21%
- Transportation: 28%

1Includes electricity consumption.
US DOE Building Energy Codes Program Goals

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- Increase cavity insulation
- Increase exterior continuous insulation
- Reduce thermal bridges
  - Advanced framing
- Reduce air leakage
  - Air barriers
  - Air impermeable insulation
  - Insulation installation
Thermal Bridges

No Exterior Insulation

With Exterior Insulation
Reducing Thermal Bridges

Standard Framing
Framing placed at 16” on center
- Solid headers
- Isolated corners must be insulated

Advanced Framing
Framing placed at 24” on center
- Insulated headers
- Insulated wall intersections
- Notch for wiring
- Advanced Framing
  - Cavity 77%
  - Plates & studs 22%
  - Headers 4%

Exterior Insulation

### R-values of Components & Assemblies

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Air Leakage Impact on Energy Use:
Degradation of Thermal Insulation Performance

Measured Effective R-value under Simulated Wind-Load (R-19 Walls).
Data from Jones, 1995

Source: Impact of Airflow on the Thermal Performance of Various Residential Wall Systems utilizing a calibrated hot box, Thermal Envelopes VI/ Heat Transfer in Walls -- Principles
Effect of Air Leakage on Heating and Cooling Energy

% Energy Savings w/ airtight envelope (Framed Bldgs.)

7% to 42%

Sustainable

1. the ability to be sustained, supported, upheld, or confirmed.
2. Environmental Science. the quality of not being harmful to the environment or depleting natural resources, and thereby supporting long-term ecological balance:
1) Scope and Administration
2) Definitions
3) Compliance Method
4) Site Design and Development
5) Lot Design, Preparation and Development
6) Resource Efficiency
7) Energy Efficiency
8) Water Efficiency
9) Indoor Environmental Quality
10) Operation, Maintenance and Building Owner Education
11) Remodeling
12) Remodeling of Functional Areas
13) Referenced Documents
activehouse
From Building Design & Construction White Paper on Sustainability, November 2003
1. the ability to withstand wear, pressure, or damage.
• Durability: “the ability of a building or any of its components to perform its required functions in its service environment over a period of time without unforeseen cost for maintenance or repair.”

• “Moisture, with or without contaminants, is the most important environmental agent causing premature deterioration. The application of principles of building science permits the generation of models for predicting the mechanisms, paths, volumes, and forms of moisture which building assemblies will need to accommodate and resist.”
ICC/ASHRAE 700-2015 Chapter 6: Resource Efficiency

- Quality of Construction Materials and Waste
- Enhanced Durability and Reduced Maintenance
- Reused or Salvaged Materials
- Recycled-Content Building Materials
- Recycled Construction Waste
- Renewable Materials
- Recycling and Waste Reduction
- Resource-Efficient Materials
- Regional Materials
- Life Cycle Assessment
- Innovative Practices
ICC/ASHRAE 700-2015 Chapter 6: Resource Efficiency

1. Quality of Construction Materials and Waste
2. Enhanced Durability and Reduced Maintenance
   1. Intent
   2. Moisture management – building envelope
   3. Roof surfaces
   4. Roof water discharge
   5. Finished Grade
3. Reused or Salvaged Materials
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Resilience

1. the ability of a substance or object to spring back into shape; elasticity.

3. the capacity to recover quickly from difficulties; toughness.
Figure 1: Billion Dollar+ Extreme Weather Events in Frequency and Losses from 1980-2014 (Earthquake Losses Included)\textsuperscript{4}

From “Developing Pre-Disaster Resilience Based on Public and Private Incentivization,” National Institute of Building Sciences, October 29, 2015
ASTM Resilience Related Standards

Resiliency (or resilience), n. — The ability of an object or material to endure daily wear in the intended and expected service circumstances and/or be easily repaired after a more catastrophic occurrence without the need for complete replacement.

- E2026-16a Standard Guide for Seismic Risk Assessment of Buildings
- E2557-16a Standard Practice for Probable Maximum Loss (PML) Evaluations for Earthquake Due-Diligence Assessments
- WK55885 Seismic Risk Assessment of Real Estate Portfolios
Fortified Home Standards
ASCE/SEI 7 Minimum Design Loads For Buildings and Other Structures

Figure from http://www.kdietrich.com/
ASCE 7-16 TECHNICAL CHANGES

“The 2016 edition of ASCE 7 Minimum Design Loads and Associated Criteria for Buildings and Other Structures provides the most up-to-date and coordinated loading standard for structural design. Along with improved coordination and routine updates, ASCE 7-16 includes many significant changes as follows:

• New seismic maps that reflect the updated National Seismic Hazard Maps, including increased requirements for the region surrounding Las Vegas, Nevada, to address local concerns. The basis for the increase was developed and supported by the State of Nevada Geologist’s office.

• New wind speed maps that result in reduced wind speeds for much of the country and clarify the special wind study zones, including new maps for Hawaii. Also new maps for Risk Category IV separate from Category III.

• New regional snow data generated by state Structural Engineers Associations in Colorado, Oregon, New Hampshire, Washington and other mountainous states, that is now directly referenced and eliminates many, older site-specific Case Study zones.

• Updated rain duration provisions align design requirements with International Plumbing Code provisions for drainage.

• New provisions for performance fire design in Appendix E.

• Entirely new chapter with tsunami design provisions, which is important to west coast states, Alaska, and Hawaii."

From ASCE website
Structural performance can be affected by moisture durability

“EMERALD ISLE, N.C. – Nails deteriorated by years of exposure to the sand, salt and moisture from the ocean gave way, causing a deck collapse that hurt 24 people as they posed for a picture at a North Carolina beachfront home, authorities said.” (Foxnews, July 6, 2015)

“A memorandum from inspectors at the Berkeley Building and Safety Division says that the deck’s severed joist ends -- horizontal, parallel beams that support a ceiling or floor -- looked "extensively rotted" where the structure had ripped from the wall. “ (CNN, June 23, 2015)
Nationally, construction defect losses run into the billions.

- 69% of all construction defect claims are related to moisture penetration through the building envelope (2007 Study by University of Florida)
- The availability of general liability insurance for homebuilders and subcontractors has become increasingly limited and more expensive
  - “The companies are finding it more difficult than five years ago to tap insurance to cover payments to homeowners because insurers have added so many exceptions, said Dave Stern, vice president at West Coast Casualty Service Inc., an insurance adjuster in Westlake Village, California. In California, “basically, the thing leaks, it’s the builder that’s liable,” Stern said.”
- Some moisture problems are blamed on increasing energy efficiency
  - "Building codes adopted in the 1970s and strengthened through the '80s and early '90s, required greater energy efficiency. Paradoxically, the demise of the drafty house had an unintended consequence: When moisture penetrates today's walls, they tend to stay wet."

7.2 Methods to Predict Service Life

7.2.1 The predicted service life of components or assemblies may be assessed by one or more of the following three methods:

(a) demonstrated effectiveness, in accordance with Clause 7.3
(b) modelling of the deterioration process, in accordance with Clause 7.4; and
(c) testing, in accordance with Clause 7.5
602.1.7.3 Building envelope assemblies are designed for moisture control based on documented hygrothermal simulation or field study analysis. Hygrothermal analysis is required to incorporate representative climatic conditions, interior conditions and include heating and cooling seasonal variation.

(4 points)
MOIST Simulation of wintertime drying in Atlanta, GA

Hygrothermal Modeling

Laboratory Assembly Testing

Field Testing

Hygrothermal Modeling

Laboratory Materials Testing

Field Testing

Laboratory Assembly Testing
Test Assembly: fenestration product, fasteners, sealant, flashing components and weather resistant barrier shall be included. Exterior cladding, interior perimeter cavity insulation and expanding foam shall not be applied to the test mockup for this evaluation.

The completed mockup shall be preloaded prior to testing using 10 positive cycles of 480 Pa (10 psf) followed by 10 negative cycles of 480 Pa (10 psf).

Test for air leakage in accordance with ASTM E 283 at a pressure differential of 75 Pa (1.57 psf).

Test for water penetration resistance in accordance with ASTM E 331 at a minimum test pressure of 150 Pa (3.0 psf) for 60 minutes.

The entire mockup shall be subjected to 14 twelve hour durability cycles in accordance with ASTM E 2264 Method A, Level 1:

- **Exterior Temperature Exposure**
  - Level 1 49°C (120 °F)
  - Level 2 3°C (150 °F)
  - Level 3 82°C (180 °F)

- **Exterior Low Ambient Air Temperature**: −30°C (−22°F)

Following cycling, the mockup shall again be tested for air leakage and water penetration resistance.

The entire mockup shall be tested for structural loads in accordance with ASTM E 330 at a minimum test pressure of 1440 Pa (30 psf) positive and negative.
Material deformation and loss of adhesion

Joints open
Hygrothermal Building Envelope Simulation Standards


Start moisture design

Define building assembly

Assign material properties

Select initial conditions (4.1)

Select outdoor climate (4.5)

Select exposure conditions (4.6)

Determine indoor conditions (4.2-4.4, also flow chart 2)

Perform analysis (5)

Acceptable performance (6)?

yes

no

Report results (7)

Add initial drying procedure?

yes

no

Change in construction design?

yes

no

Change in HVAC design.
Define Building Assembly

- “Provide a description of the building envelope assembly.
  - Assembly
  - Type (wall, roof, etc.)
  - Orientation
  - Surface coefficients
  - Air space locations and air space ventilation rates with outdoor air
  - List of materials (include reference source of data)”
Assign Material Properties

- “Provide data on each of the materials in the building envelope assembly.
  - Material description
  - Thickness
  - Density
  - Thermal conductivity, and its dependency on temperature and moisture content, if applicable Specific heat (heat capacity)
  - Vapor permeance or permeability
  - Sorption isotherm
  - Liquid diffusivity or liquid conductivity
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Acceptable performance (6)?

Report results (7)

Add initial drying procedure?

Change in construction design?

Change in HVAC design.

Yes

No

Yes

No
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Change in construction design?

Report results (7)

Change in HVAC design.

✔ Perform Analysis

✔ Moisture Performance Evaluation Criteria

☐ Mold

☐ Corrosion
2.5 This standard does not address the design of building components or envelopes to resist liquid water leakage from sources such as rainwater, ground water, flooding, or ice dams. B-1

INFORMATIVE ANNEX B
COMMENTARY ON STANDARD 160

B-1 Although this standard applies to all parts of all buildings, additional information may be needed for the proper design of foundations and ventilated cavities, such as crawl spaces and attics. This standard assumes that appropriate measures have been taken to limit bulk water entry into the building and building envelope. For information and guidance on selection and installation of materials and systems to avoid water damage, the following documents may be helpful. See Annex C, “Bibliography,” for complete references.
Drying Ability: Adding Rain Intrusion
Simulation: Minneapolis

- Exterior Foam Sheathing
- Vapor Permeable Exterior insulation

Graphs comparing No Bulk Water Intrusion and 1% Bulk Water Defect.
• **602.1.8 Water-resistive barrier.** Where required by the ICC, IRC, or IBC, a water-resistive barrier and/or drainage plane system is installed behind exterior veneer and/or siding.

• **602.1.9 Flashing.** Flashing is provided as follows to minimize water entry into wall and roof assemblies and to direct water to exterior surfaces or exterior water-resistive barriers for drainage. Flashing details are provided in the construction documents and are in accordance with the fenestration manufacturer’s instructions, the flashing manufacturer’s instructions, or as detailed by a registered design professional.
Moisture Sources in Buildings

Bulk Water
- Rain & Snow:
- Construction Moisture

Water Vapor
- Transported by air currents: 98%
- Diffusion: 2%

- >1,000X
- 100X
- 1X

R703.1 **General.** Exterior walls shall provide the building with a weather-resistant exterior wall envelope. The exterior wall envelope shall include flashing as described in Section R703.8.

R703.1.1 **Water resistance.** The exterior wall envelope shall be designed and constructed in a manner that prevents the accumulation of water within the wall assembly by providing a water-resistant barrier behind the exterior veneer as required by Section R703.2 and a means of draining to the exterior water that enters the assembly. Protection against condensation in the exterior wall assembly shall be provided in accordance with Section R702.7 of this code.

- **Flashing**
- **Water-resistive barrier**
- **Means of draining water**
- **Protection against condensation**
Material/Component Standards for Management of Bulk Water Entry at Walls

Water-Resistive Barriers Materials & Assemblies

- ASTM E1677-11 Standard Specification for Air Barrier (AB) Material or System for Low-Rise Framed Building Walls
- ASTM WK50742 New Practice for Standard Practice for Assessing the Durability of Membrane Forming Fluid-Applied Air and Water-Resistive Barriers

Flashing Materials

- AAMA 711-13, Voluntary Specification for Self Adhering Flashing Used for Installation of Exterior Wall Fenestration Products
- AAMA 712-11, Voluntary Specification for Mechanically Attached Flexible Flashing
- AAMA 714-15 Voluntary Specification for Liquid Applied Flashing Used to Create a Water-Resistive Seal around Exterior Wall Openings in Buildings

Drainage Media

- ASTM E2925-14 Standard Specification for Manufactured Polymeric Drainage and Ventilation Materials Used to Provide a Rainscreen Function
ASTM E2556-09 Standard Specification for Vapor Permeable Flexible Sheet Water-Resistive Barriers Intended for Mechanical Attachment

Consensus standard which can be referenced in specifications, etc.

- Referenced in 2015 IBC, Section 2510.6
- Based on ICC-ES AC-38
- Includes building felt, building paper and building wraps
- Two types of WRB based on water resistance (perforated vs. non-perforated)
Flashing Materials
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**TABLE 1: Summary of the Test Methods**
Building Envelope Discontinuity – The Fenestration

Water damage can occur at the Fenestration due to infiltration from many sources, the most common being:

1. Through the window joinery – window leaks
2. At the window-wall interface – improper integration with flashing/sealant
3. From above the Fenestration – in the wall cavity / behind the sheathing or WRB
Window Installation Standards

Standard Practice for Installation of Exterior Windows, Doors and Skylights

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INTRODUCTION

This document is intended to provide technical guidance to organizations that are developing training programs for installers of fenestration units in low-rise residential and light commercial structures. The majority of fenestration units selected for installation in these types of structures are certified as meeting specified performance characteristics in standardized laboratory testing. Experience indicates, however, that the performance of fenestration installations is frequently significantly inferior to the performance of the manufactured units in laboratory testing. Installation of fenestration units can significantly influence in-service performance.

The requirements promulgated in this practice have, by consensus, (of individuals with specialized knowledge concerning installation of fenestration units) been identified as necessary to ensure that as-installed performance is roughly equivalent to performance in laboratory testing. The task group responsible for development of this practice recognizes that building owners sometimes, accept as adequate, in-service performance of fenestration installations that are significantly inferior to those of the units in laboratory testing. This practice is not intended for use in such circumstances, where owner expectations are modest. The intent of this practice is to provide guidance to those concerned with ensuring that as-installed performance is comparable to the capabilities of the units installed for a solid majority of installations.

A particularly noticeable behavior that indicates deficiencies in installation is rainwater leakage. Rainwater leakage has been the leading reason for dissatisfaction of building owners with performance of fenestration installations. For this reason, this practice places greater emphasis on preventing or limiting rainwater leakage than on any other single performance characteristic.

This practice emphasizes that the water-shedding surfaces of fenestration units must be adequately integrated with adjacent water-shedding surfaces of the building envelope. It does not, however, attempt to promulgate requirements for water-shedding surfaces of building envelopes other than
FMA/AAMA/WDMA Installation Committee

- Formed by FMA in 2005 (after extreme 2004 Hurricane season) to address fenestration water intrusion concerns with residential construction in the southeast region. AAMA and WDMA joined shortly after.
- Developing robust, easy to follow (something that could be given to an installer), illustrated installation standards for specific window/door/wall system combinations.
- Standard practices developed by industry experts from Window Manufacturers, Flashing / Sealant Manufacturers, Installers, Building Officials, and Building Science Consultants.
- Initial series focused on Southeastern US Wall System & Extreme Exposure conditions.
FMA/AAMA/WDMA Installation Committee

- Representative installation methods from all documents are installed and tested by members of the committee – resulting in key learning's that impact the content of the standard practice.
- For all extreme exposure guidelines, representative installations are wall tested per ASTM E331 or E547.
- Criteria for Success:
  - Installation Feasibility – practical application
  - Water Intrusion Management in areas related to installation method
## FMA/AAMA/WDMA Installation Standards

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FMA / AAMA 200-12 – Isolate the Rough Opening Method
FMA/AAMA/WDMA 500-16 Standard Practice for the Installation of Mounting Flange Windows into Walls Utilizing Foam Plastic Insulating Sheathing (FPIS) with a Separate Water-Resistive Barrier (WTB)

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**TABLE 1: Summary of Installation Methods**
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Methods A and B feature a Rough Opening Extension Support Element (ROESE)

Rough Opening Extension Support Element (ROESE), n. – A projection (“bump-out”) or extension to the structural wall framing at the rough opening perimeter. The function of the ROESE is to: 1) support the weight of the window, 2) allow direct structural attachment of the window in order to transfer wind loads to the structure, and 3) enable window alignment with the exterior plane of the FPIS for proper integration with cladding and/or WRB. It shall consist of a material and fastening method capable of maintaining structural continuity between framing and the window.
Sustainable Construction

Durable Moisture Management
- Water Barriers
- Air Barriers
- Allow Drying

Energy Efficient Thermal Management
- Insulation
- Air Barriers
“Resilience: Know you can bounce back from anything. Think of criticism as faith in your potential. Rent room for improvement. Remember jet lag is just a temporary thing.”

Thank you for your attention. Please ask any questions.