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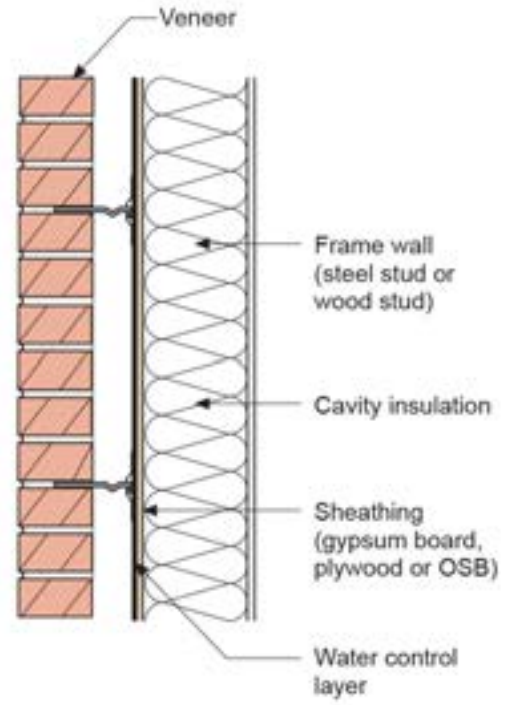
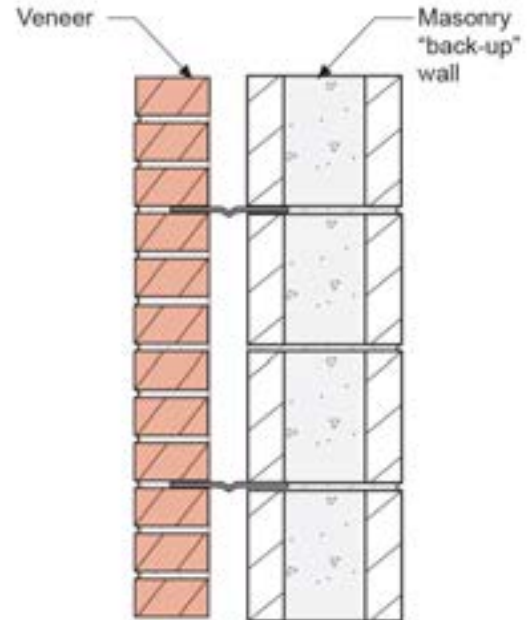
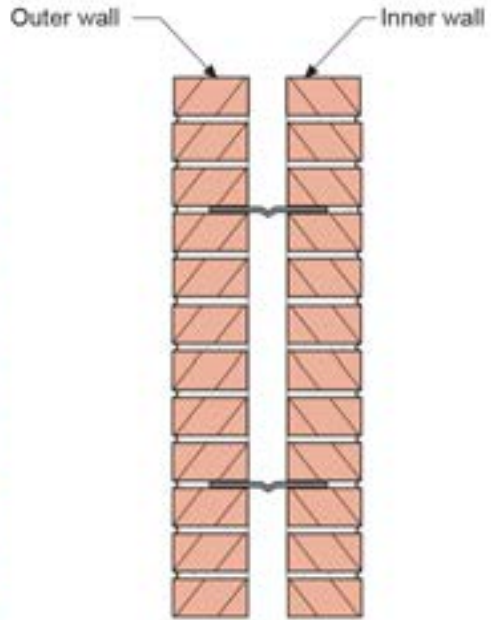
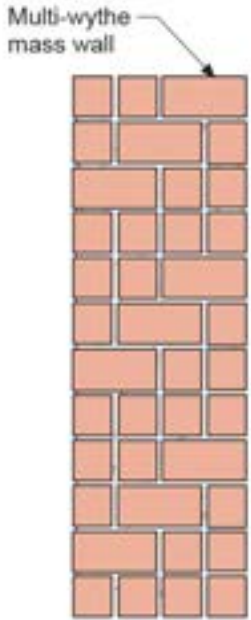
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What is a Building?

A Building is an Environmental Separator

Evolution of Walls



Enclosures

2nd Law of Thermodynamics

Heat Flow Is From Warm To Cold

Moisture Flow Is From Warm To Cold

Moisture Flow Is From More To Less

Air Flow Is From A Higher Pressure to a
Lower Pressure

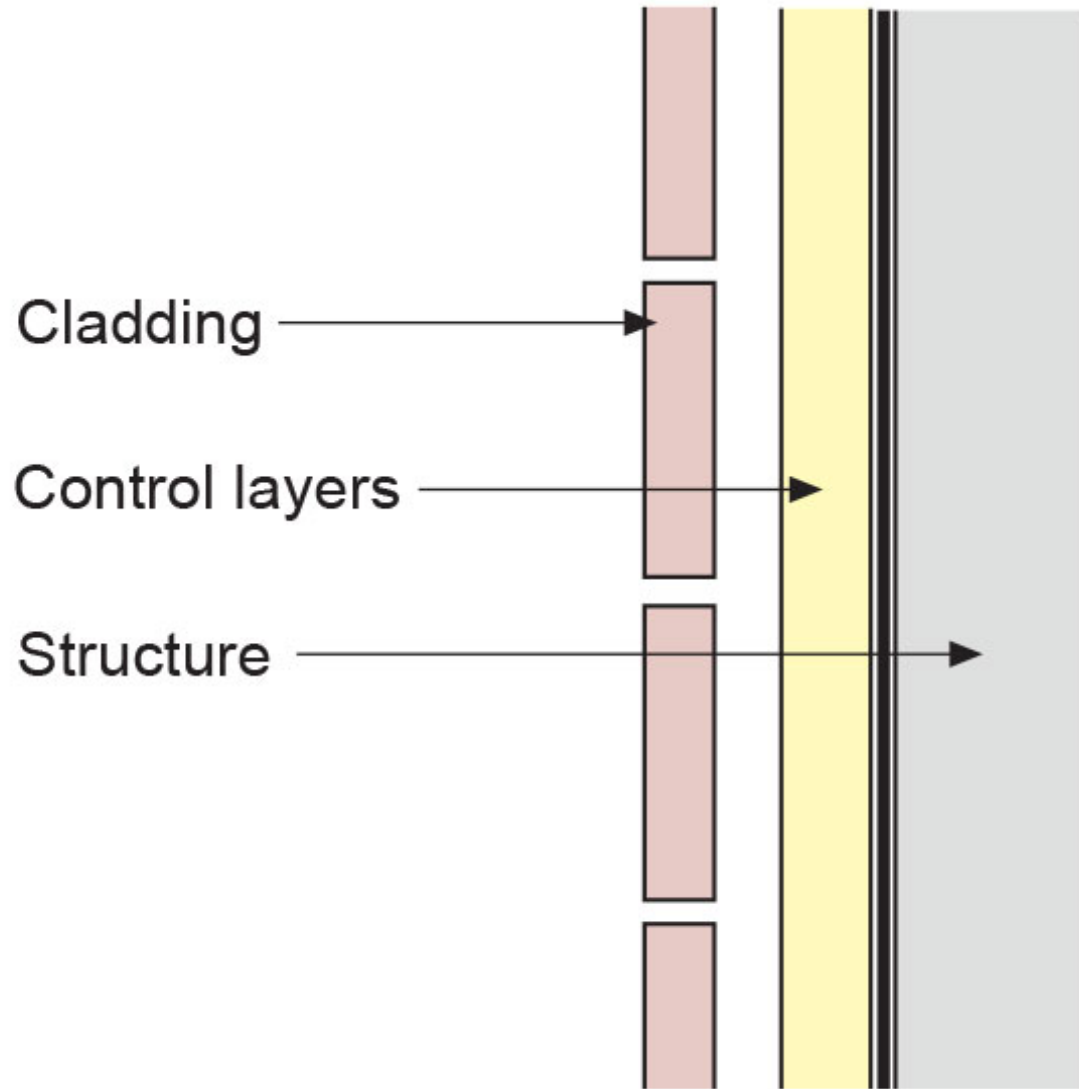
Gravity Acts Down

Water Control Layer

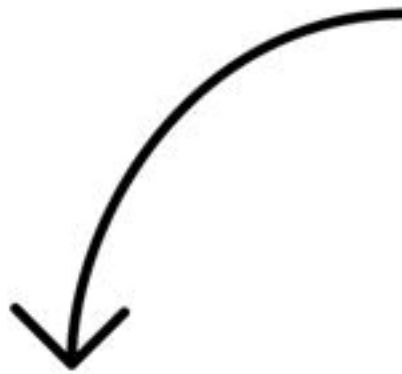
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Vapor Control Layer

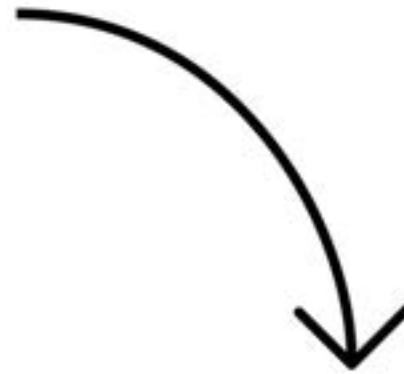
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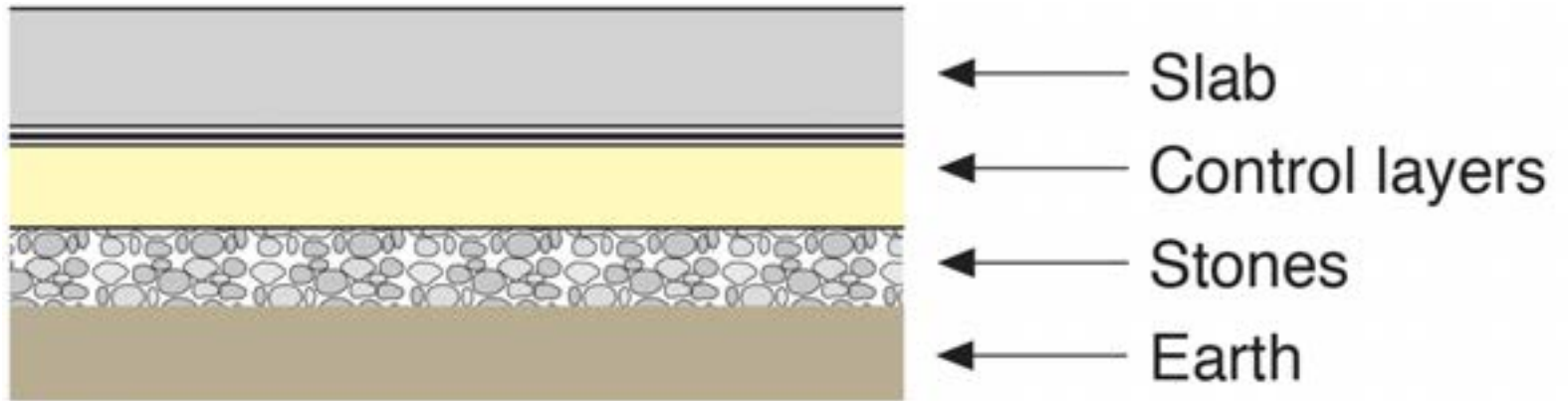
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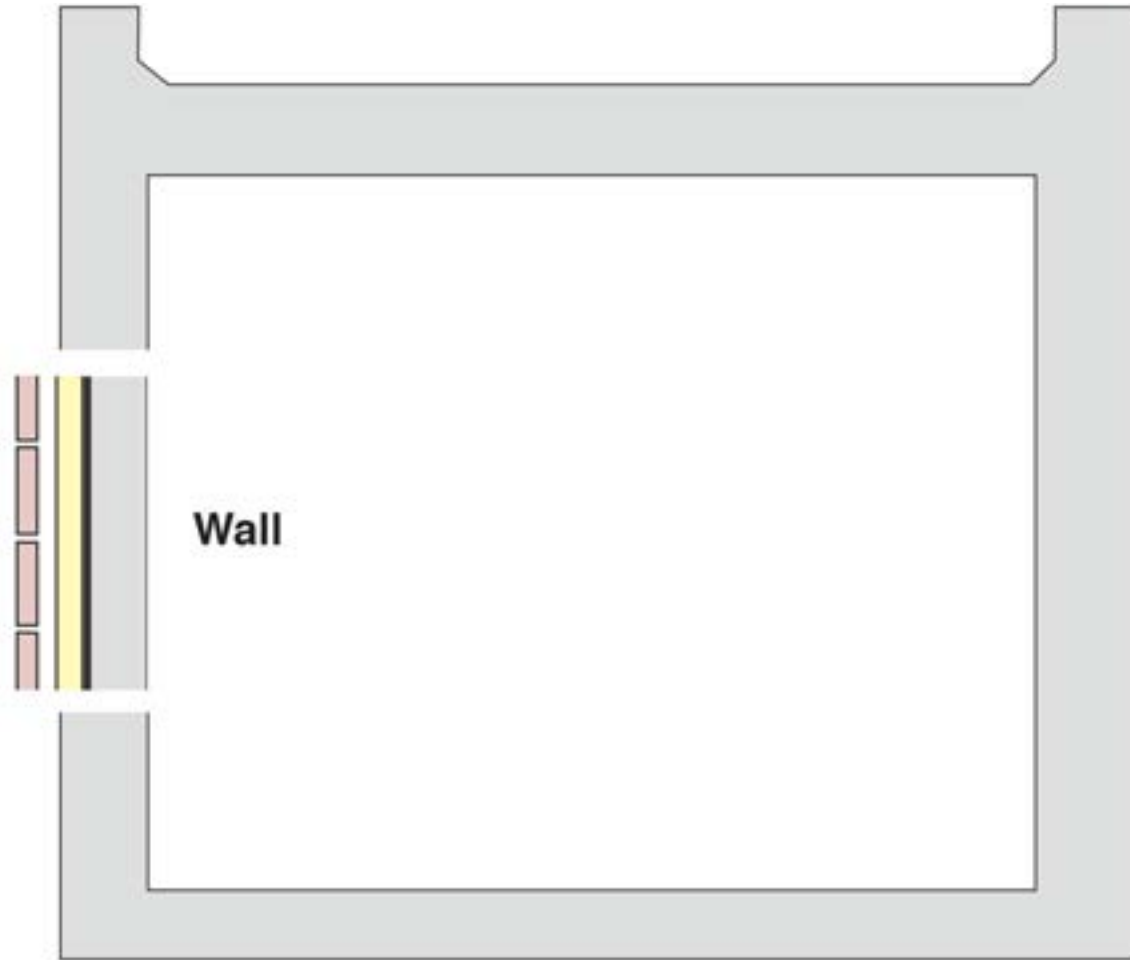


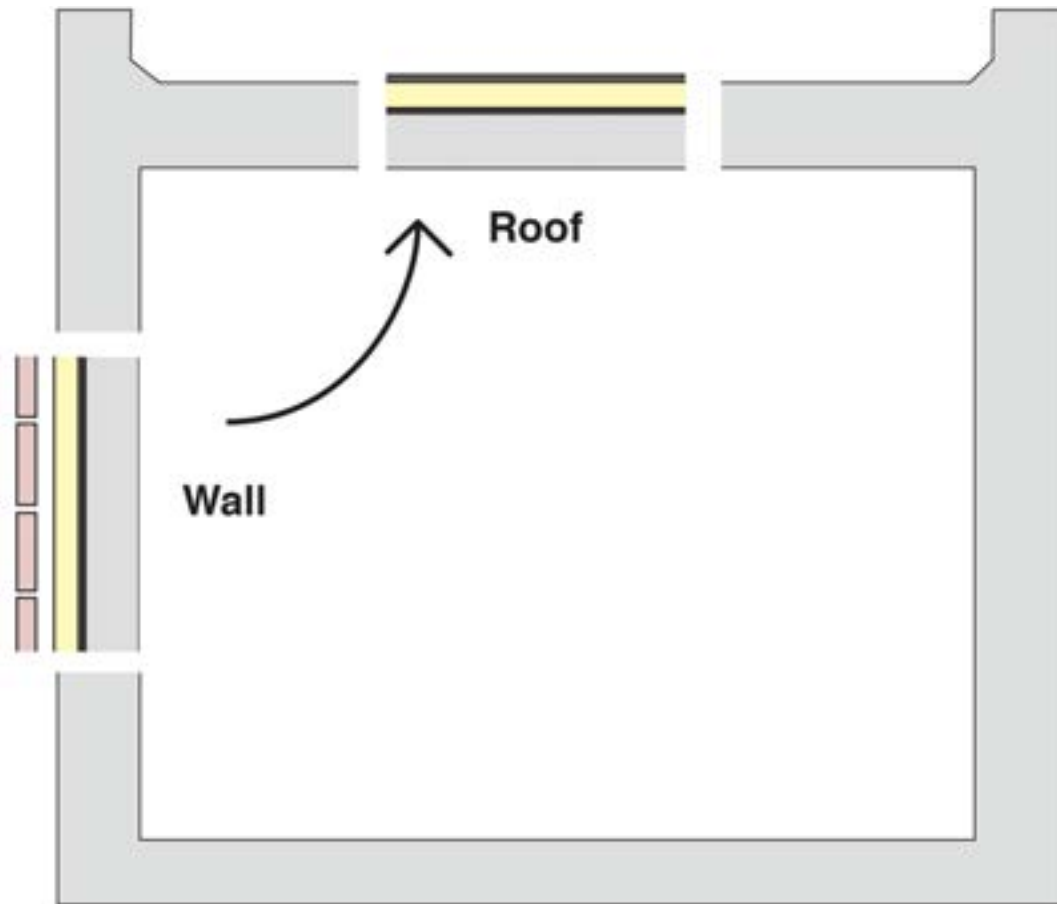
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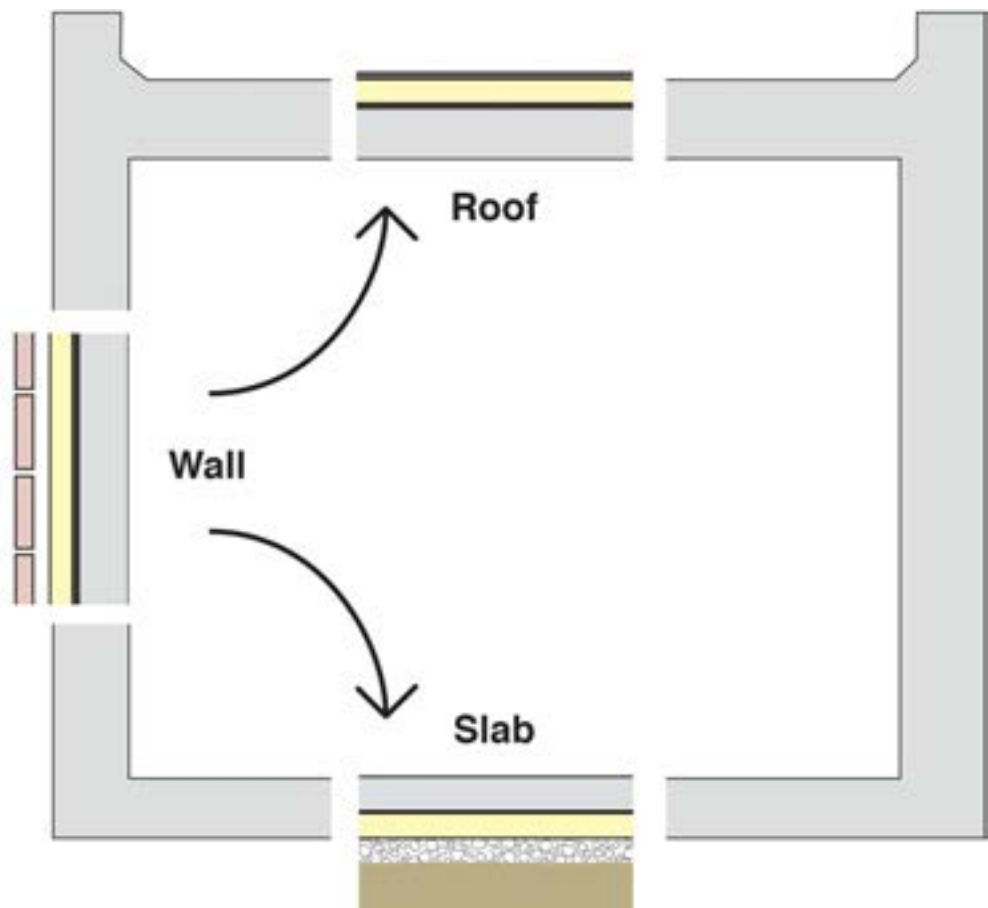


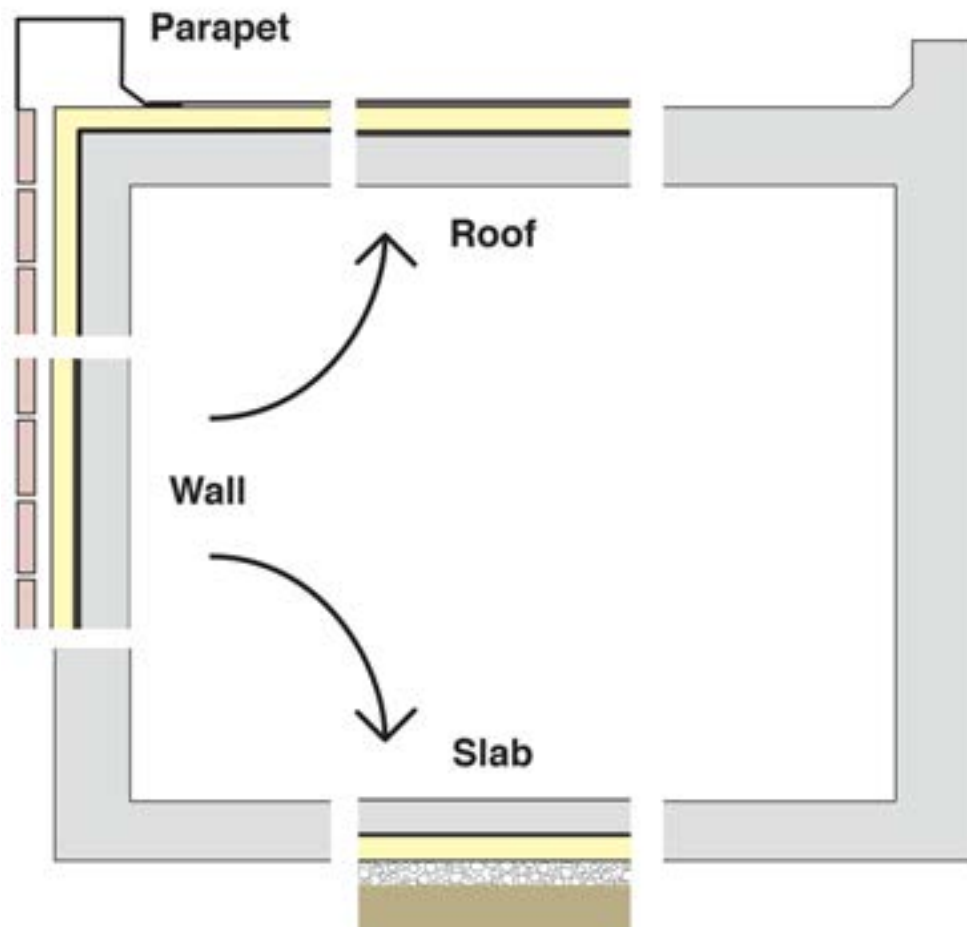


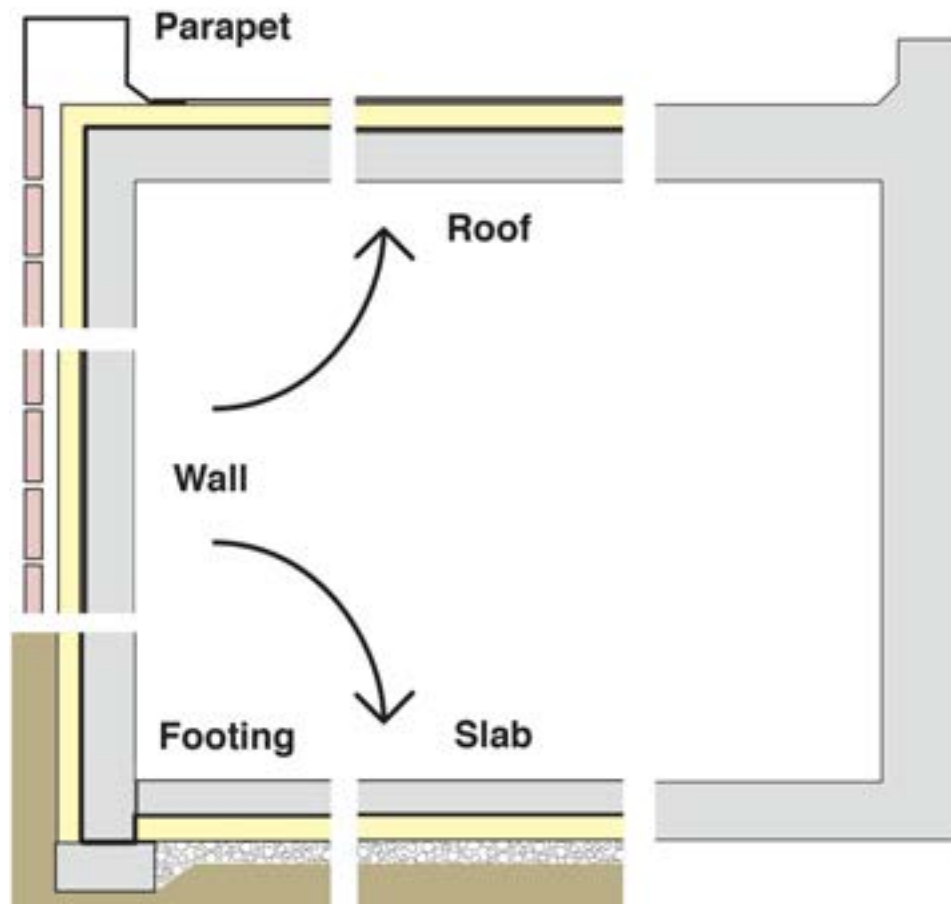


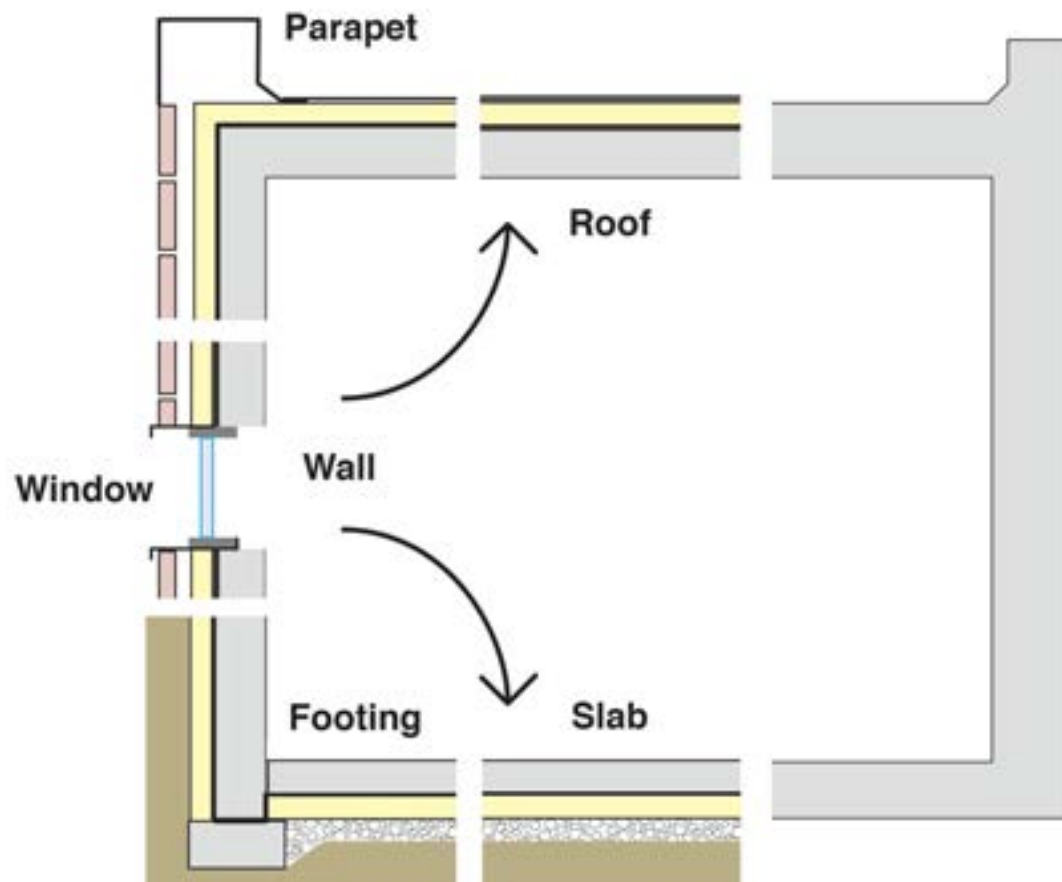


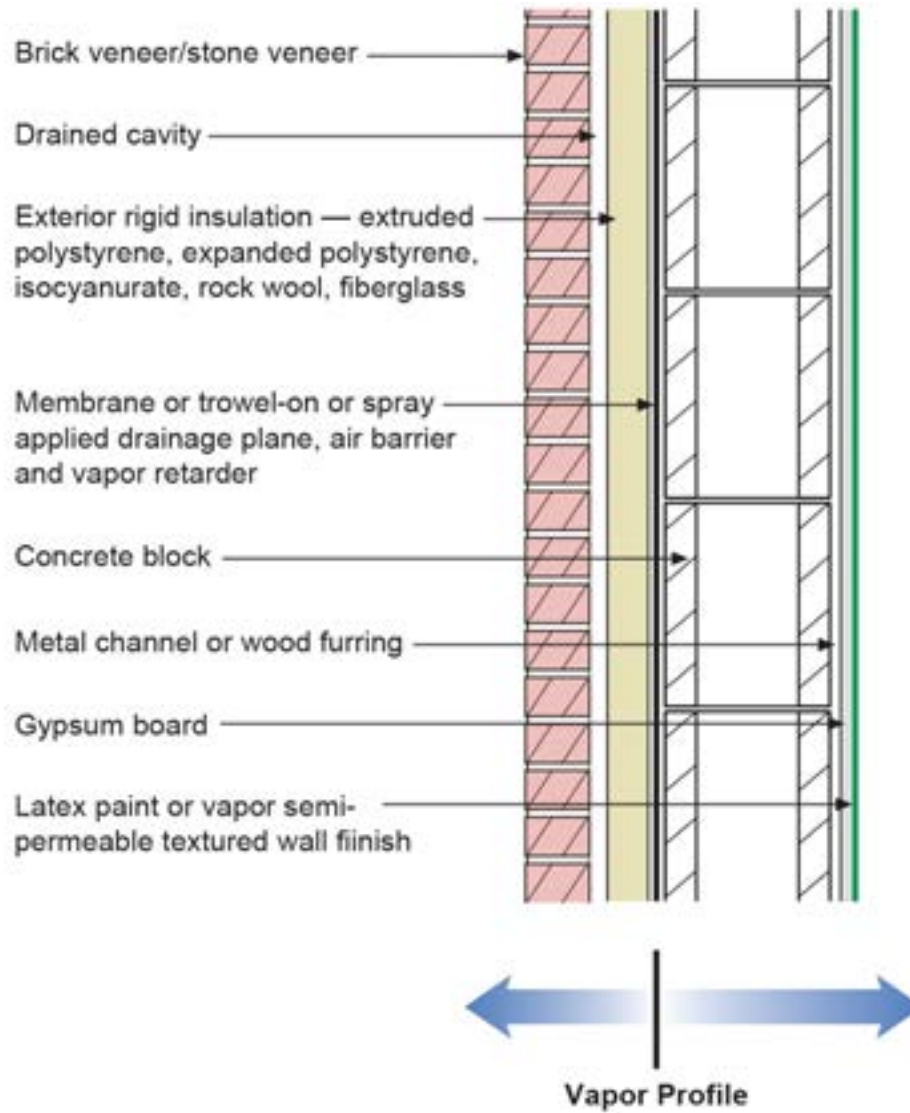


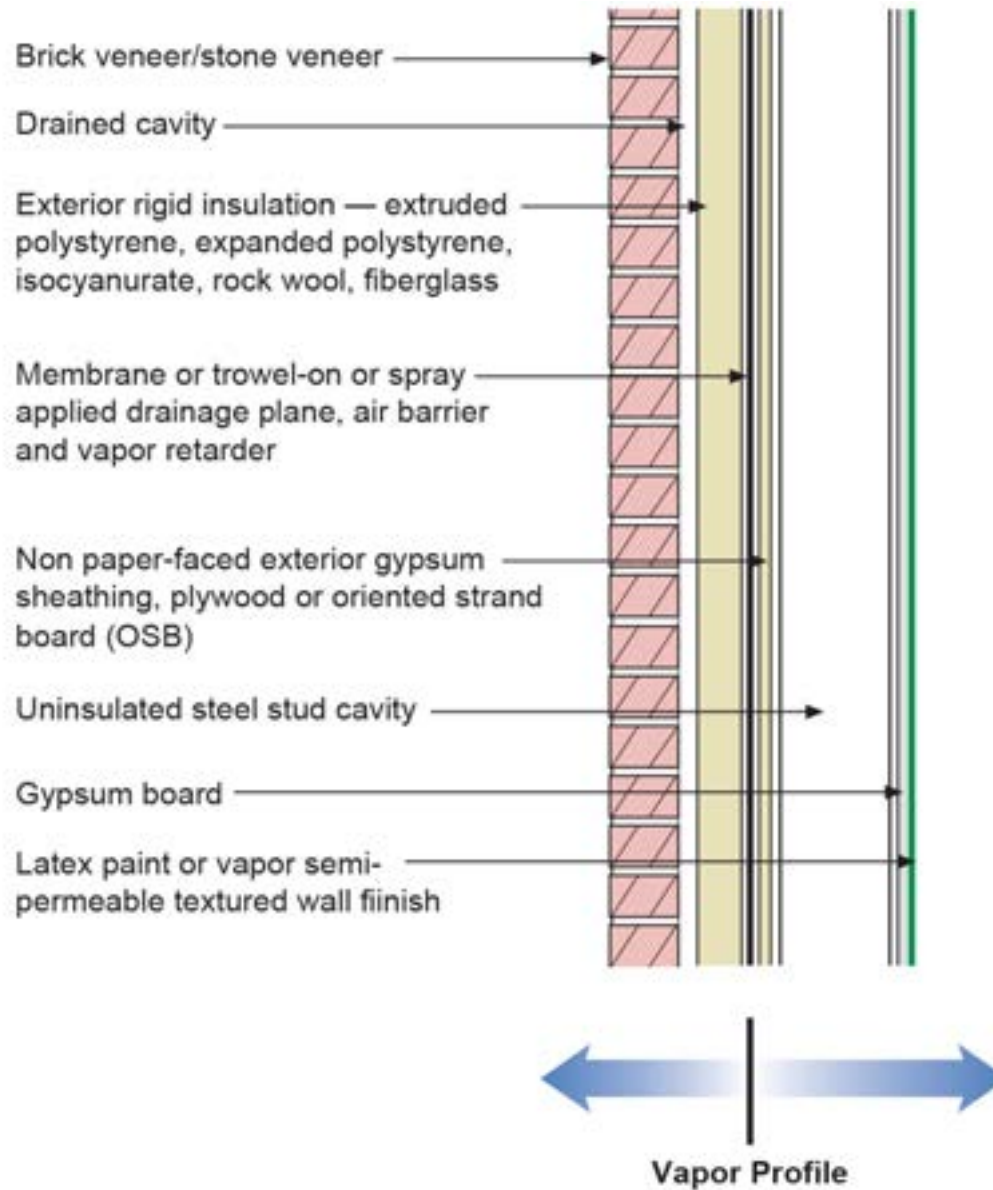


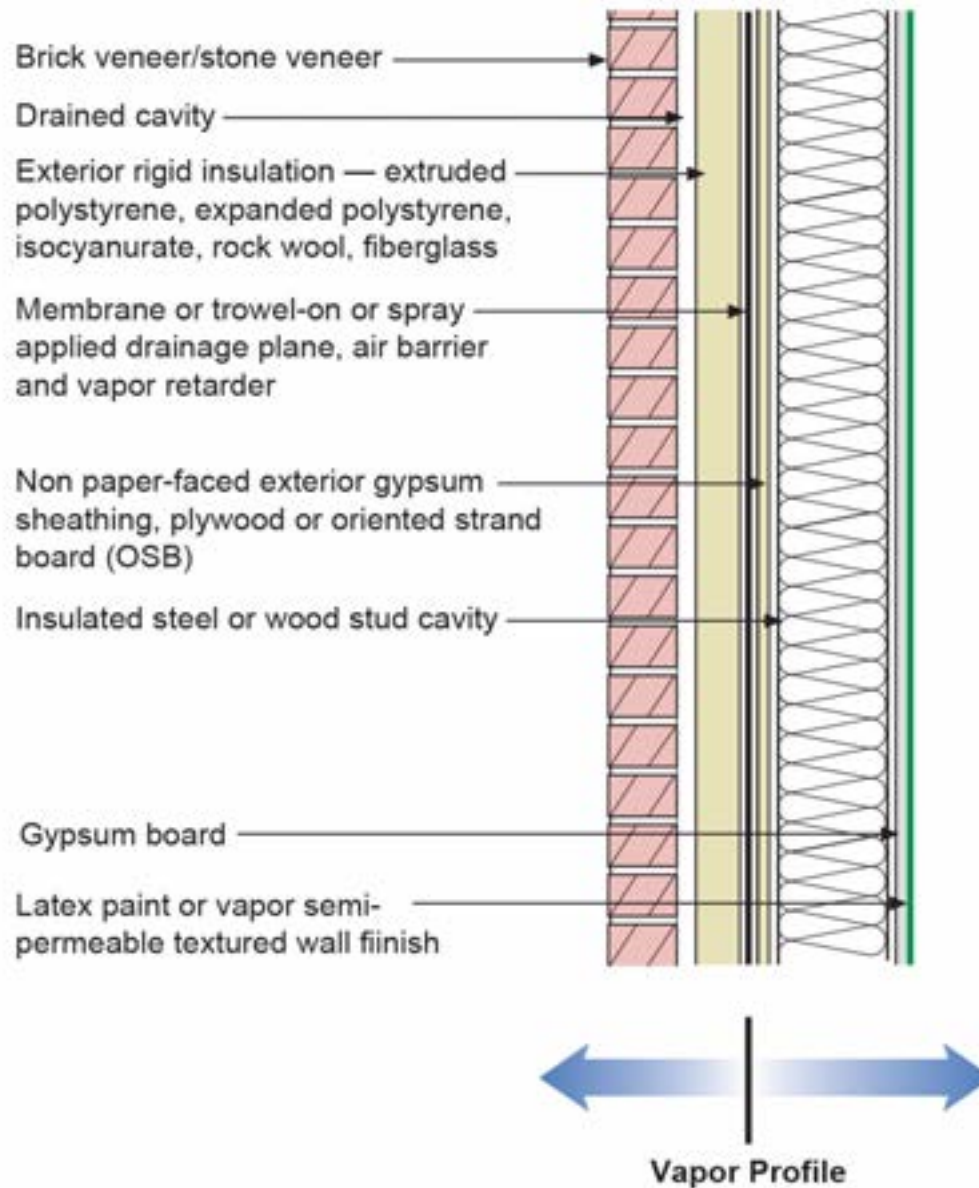












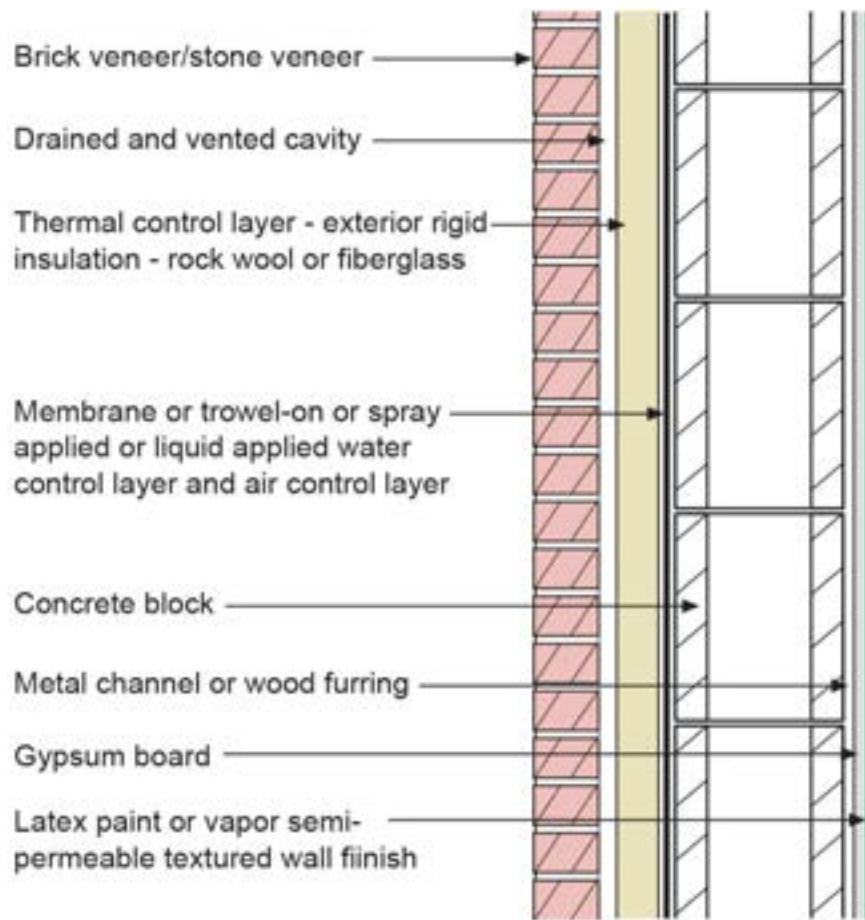


Figure 2a



Vapor Profile

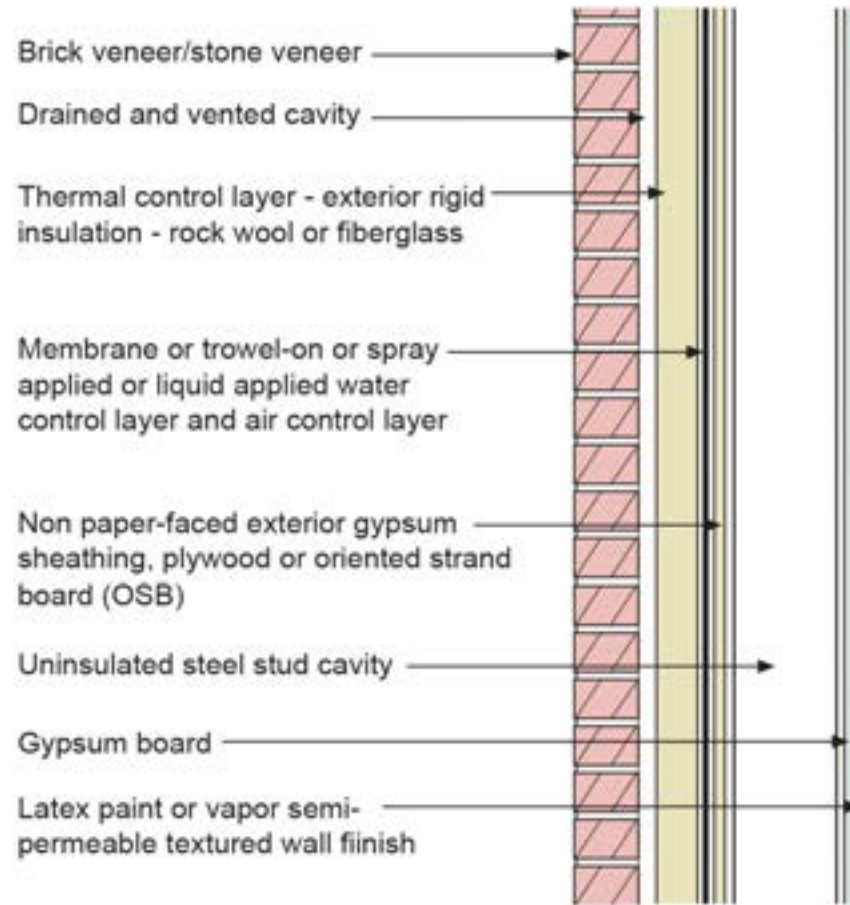


Figure 2b



Vapor Profile

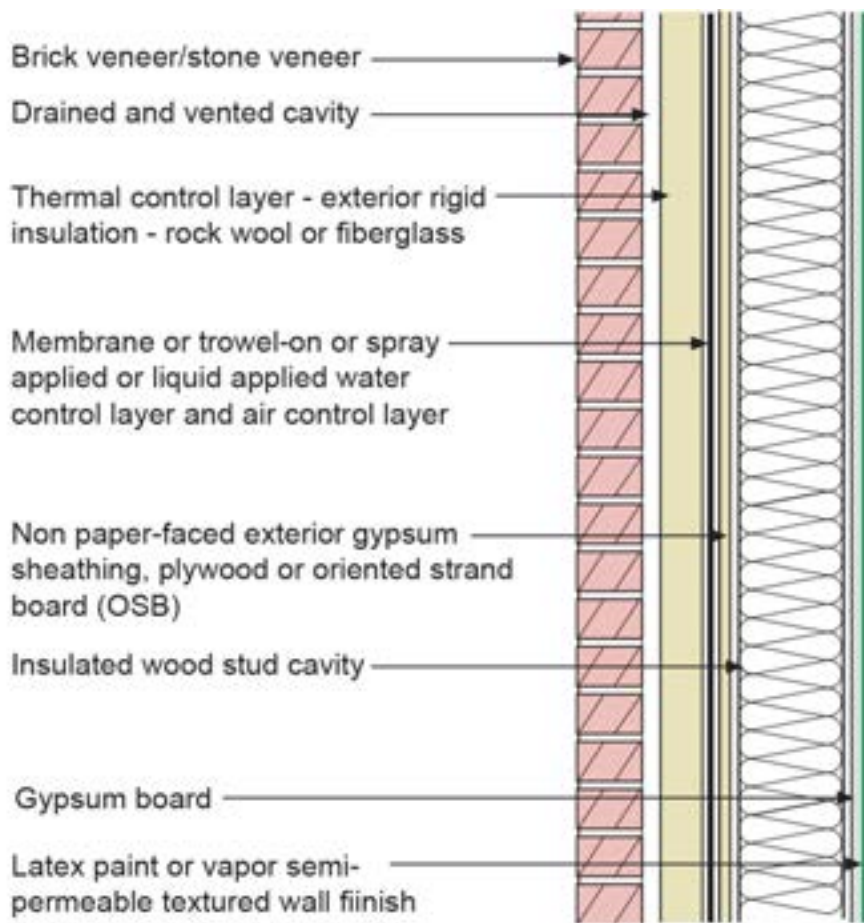
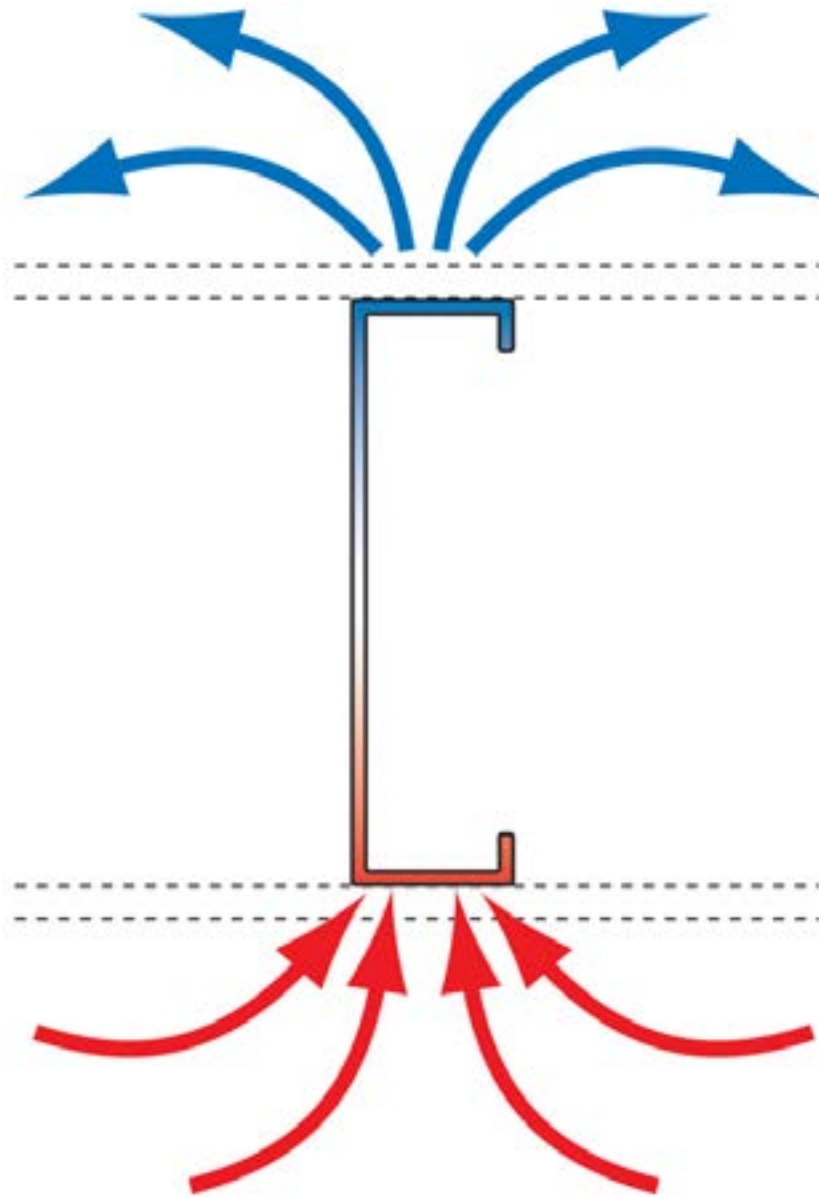


Figure 2c



Vapor Profile

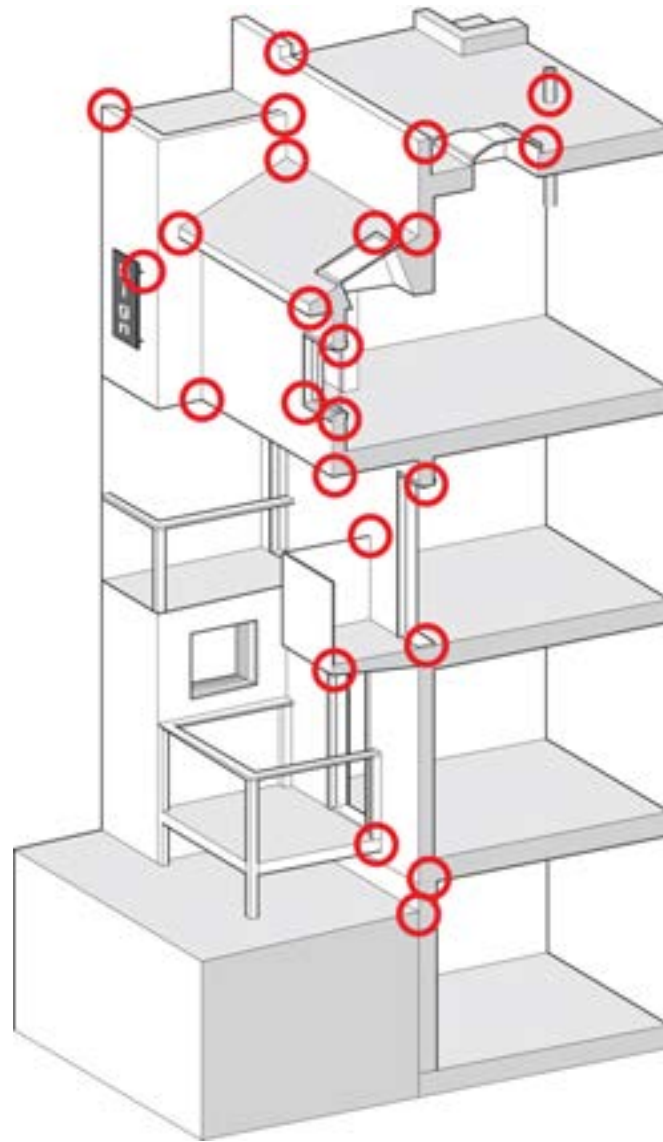




Commercial Enclosure: Simple Layers



- Structure
- Rain/Air/Vapor
- Insulation
- Finish













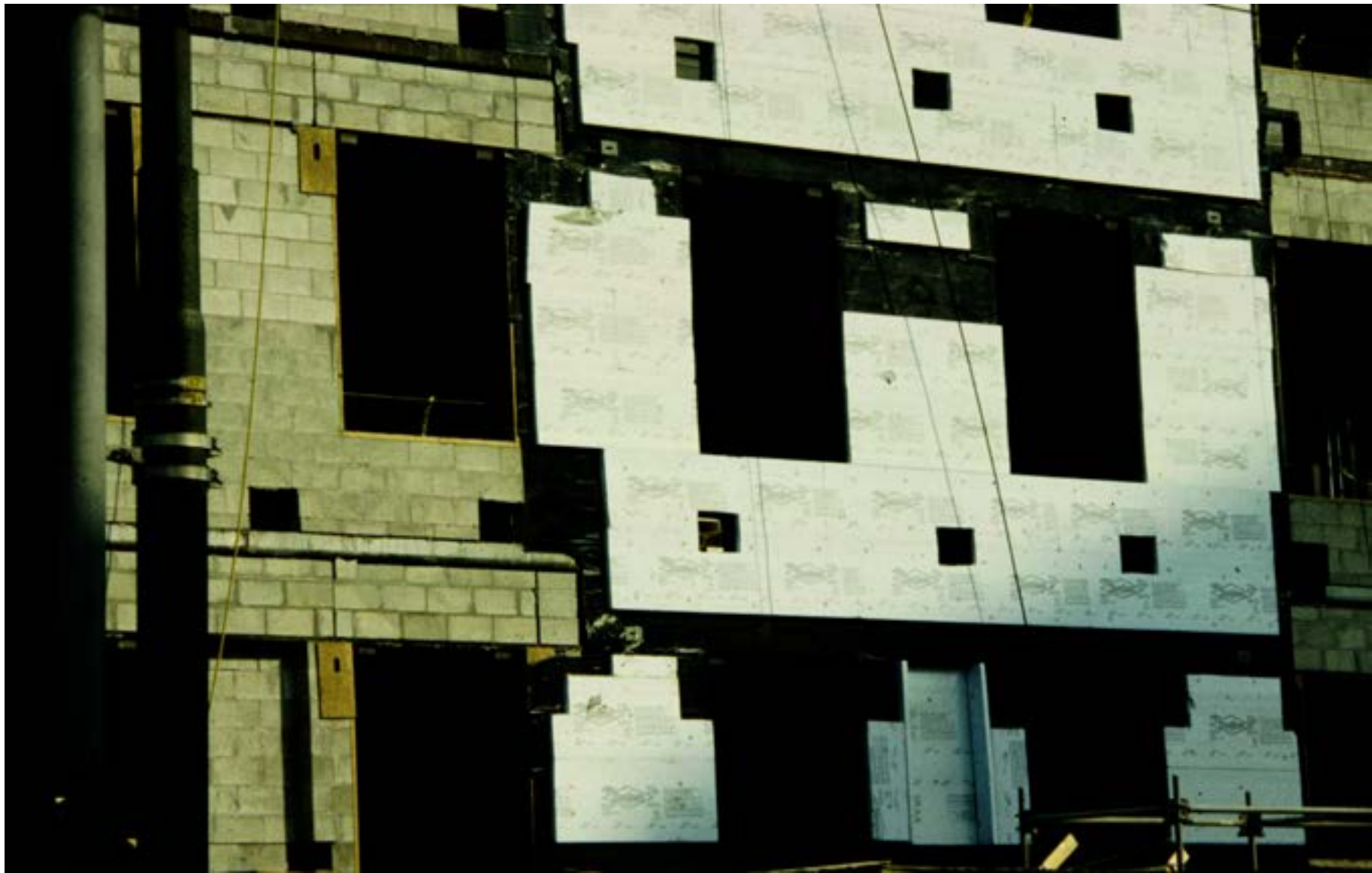
































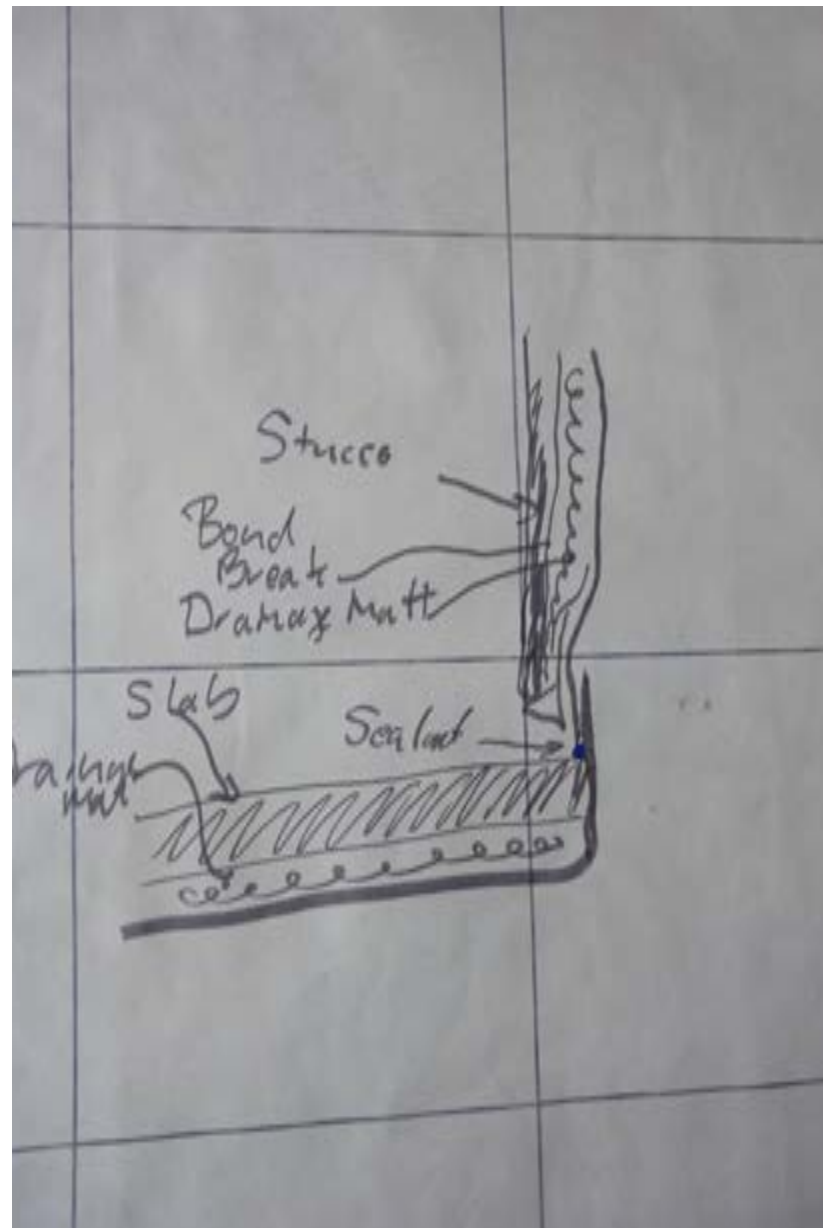








































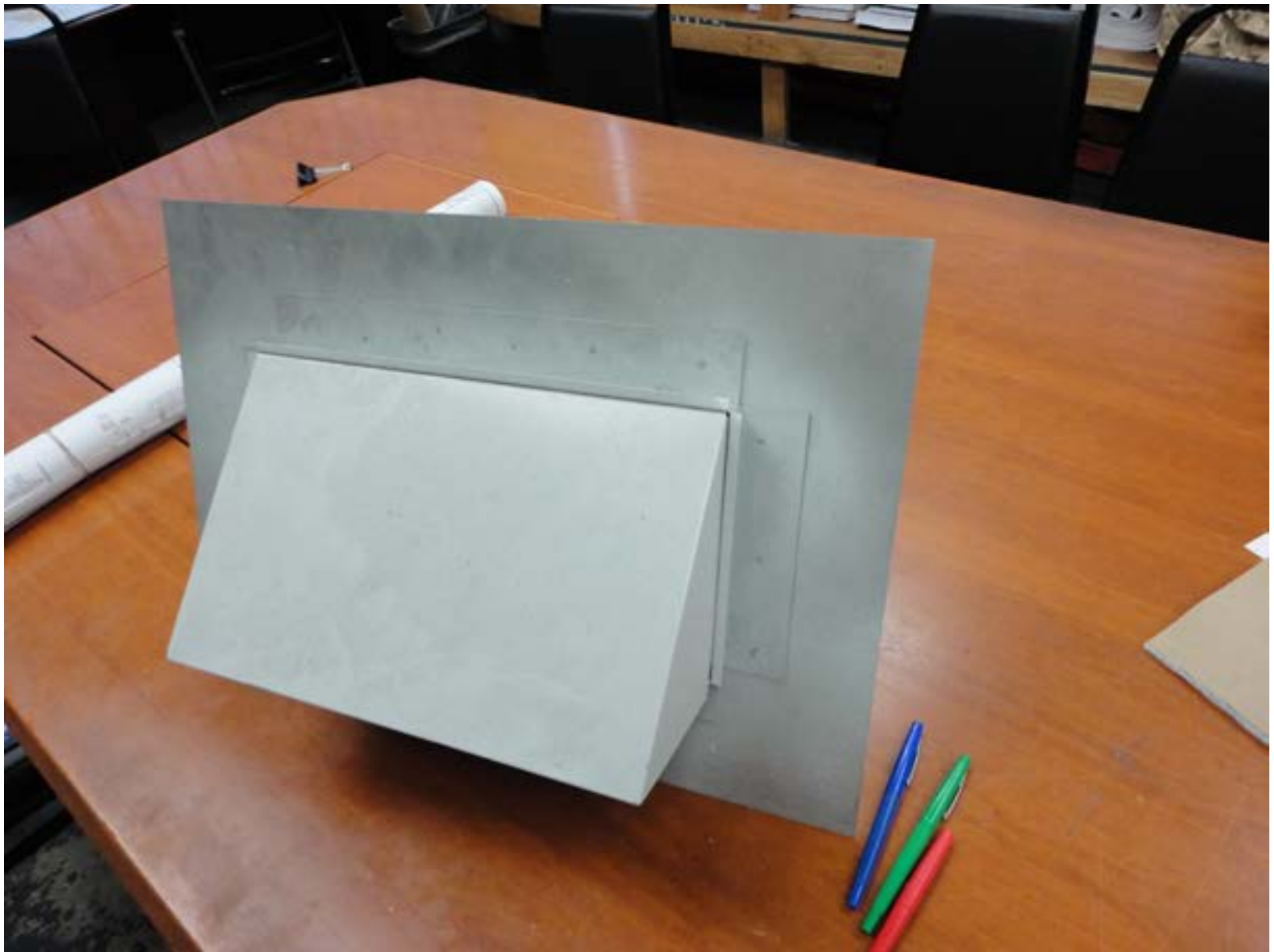




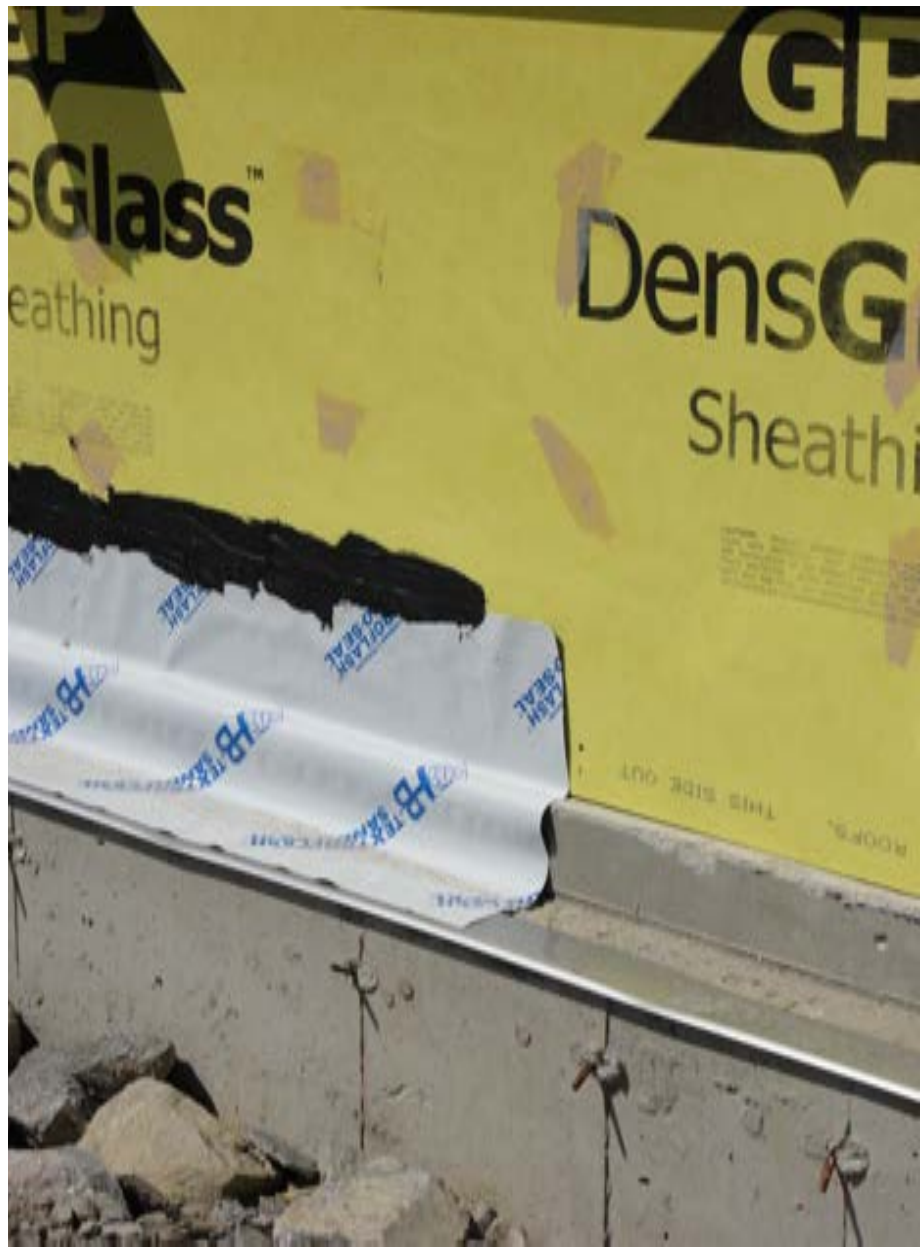




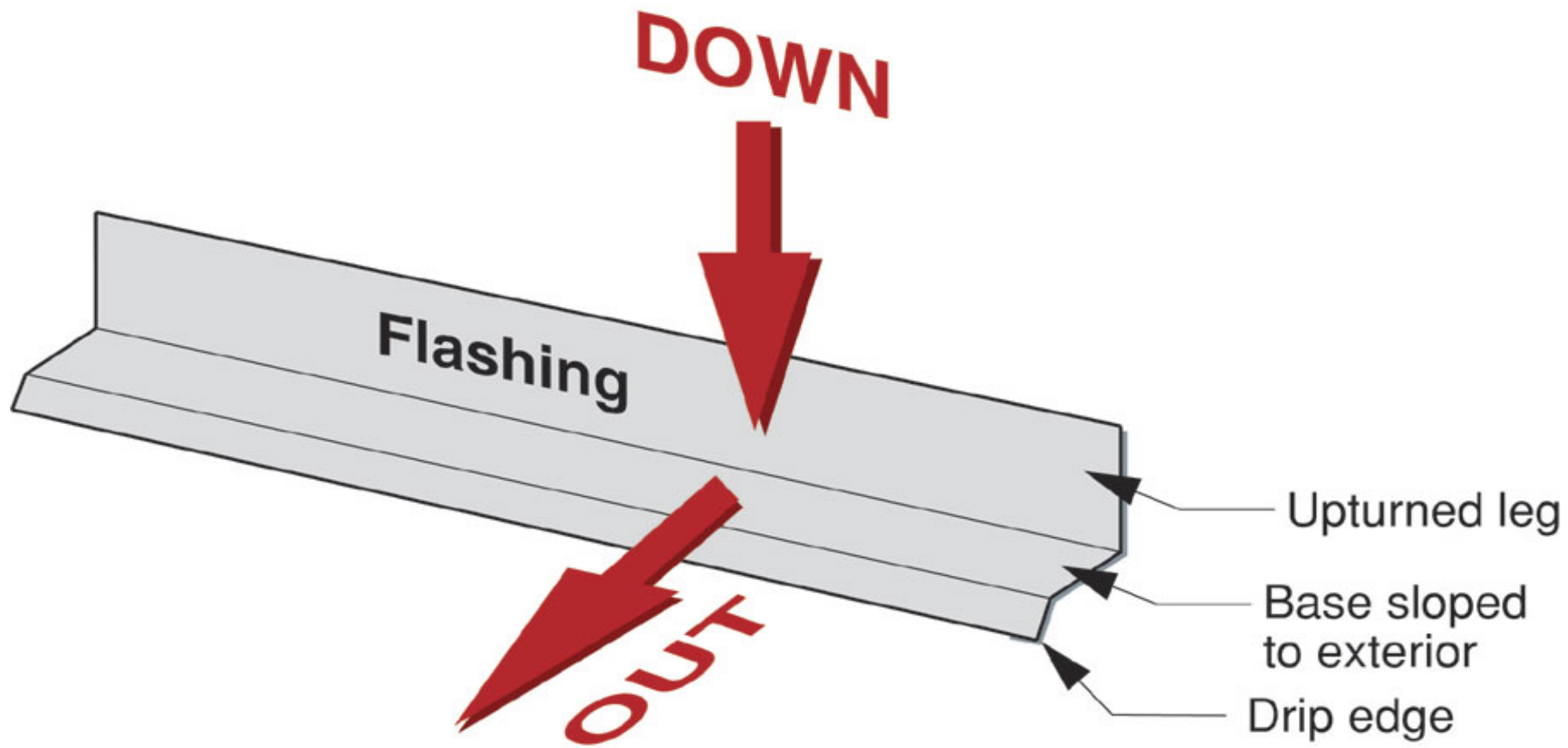


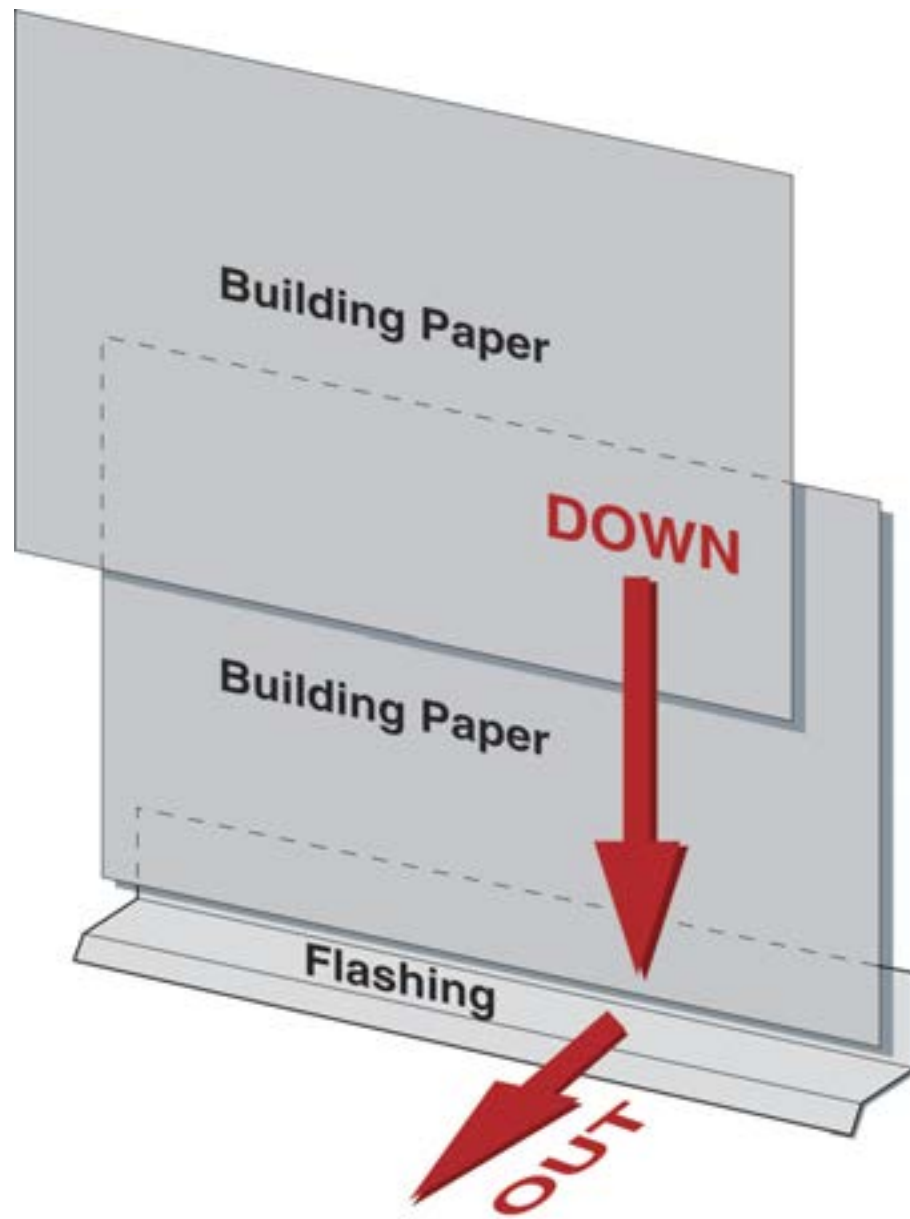


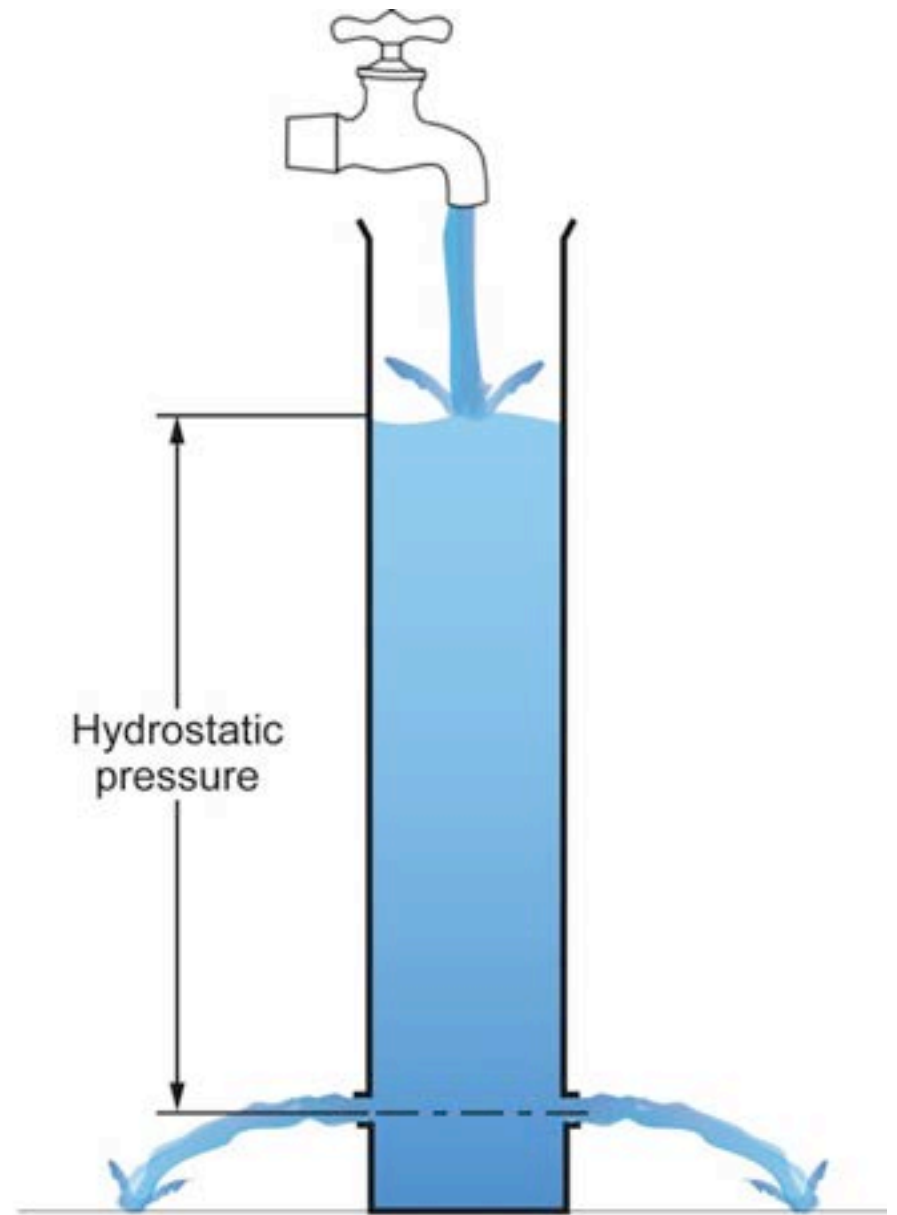
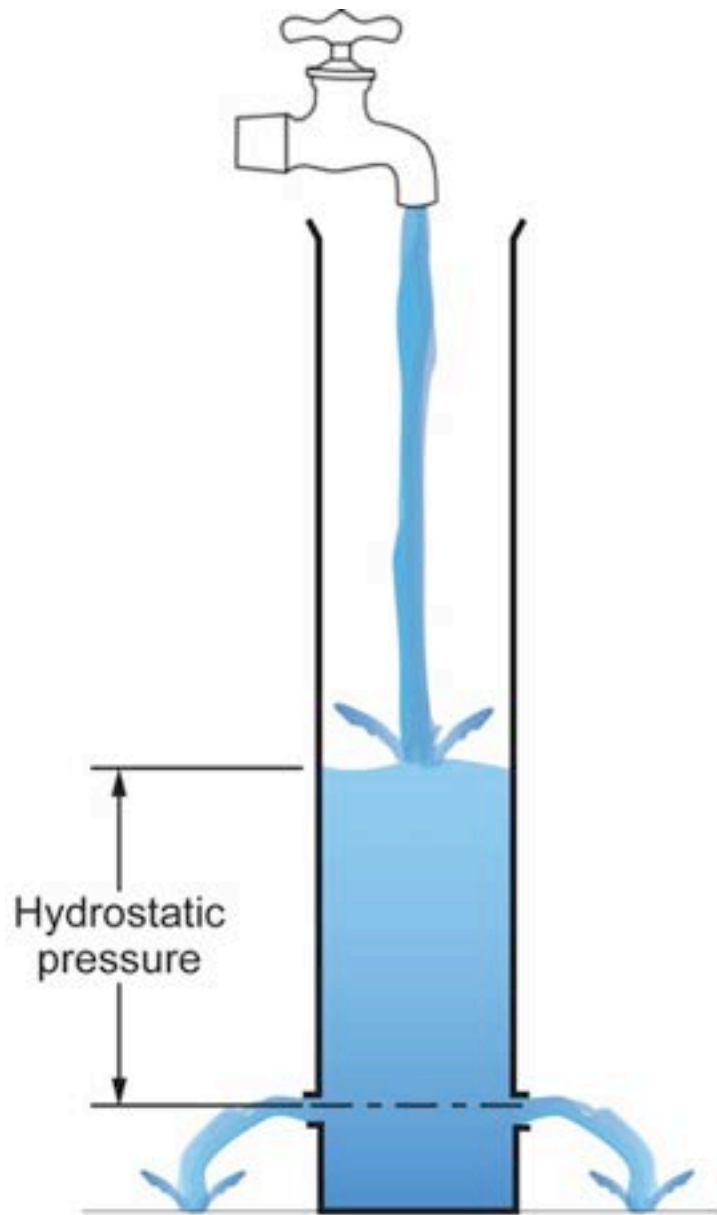




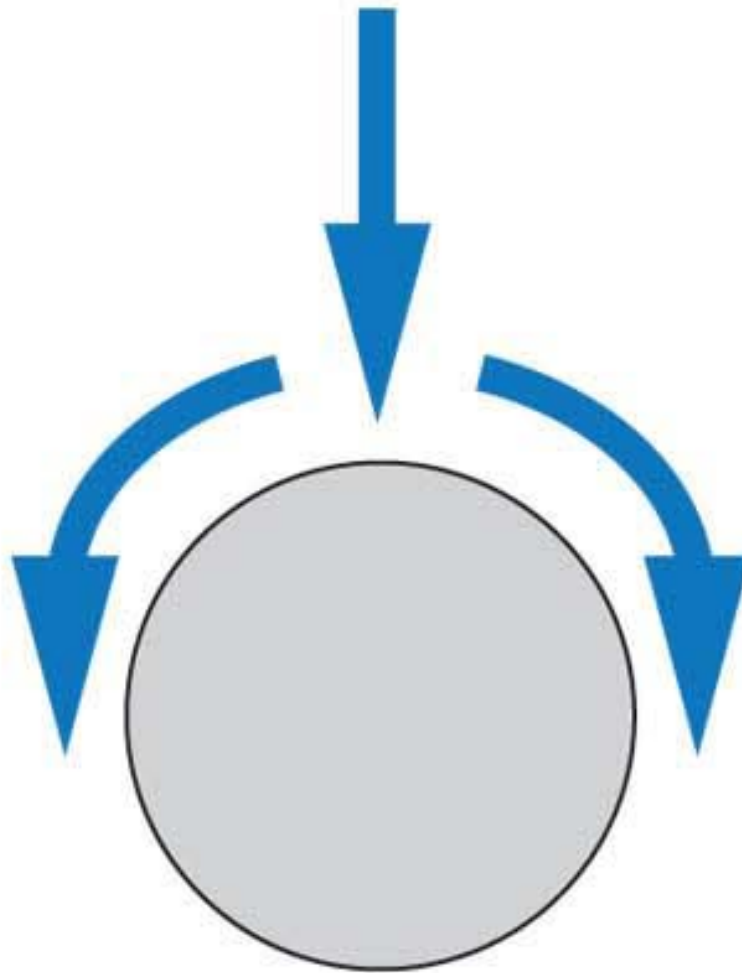


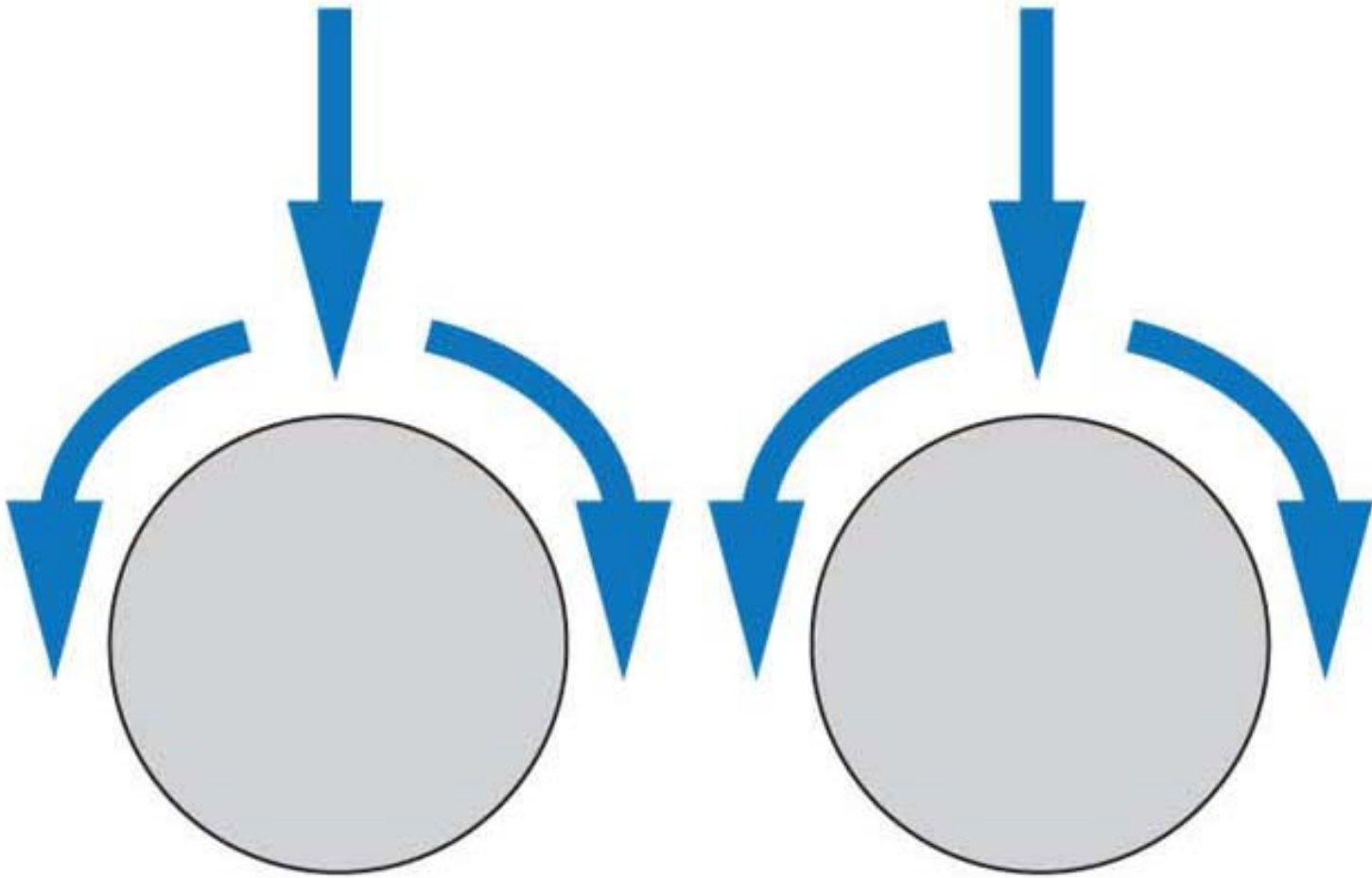


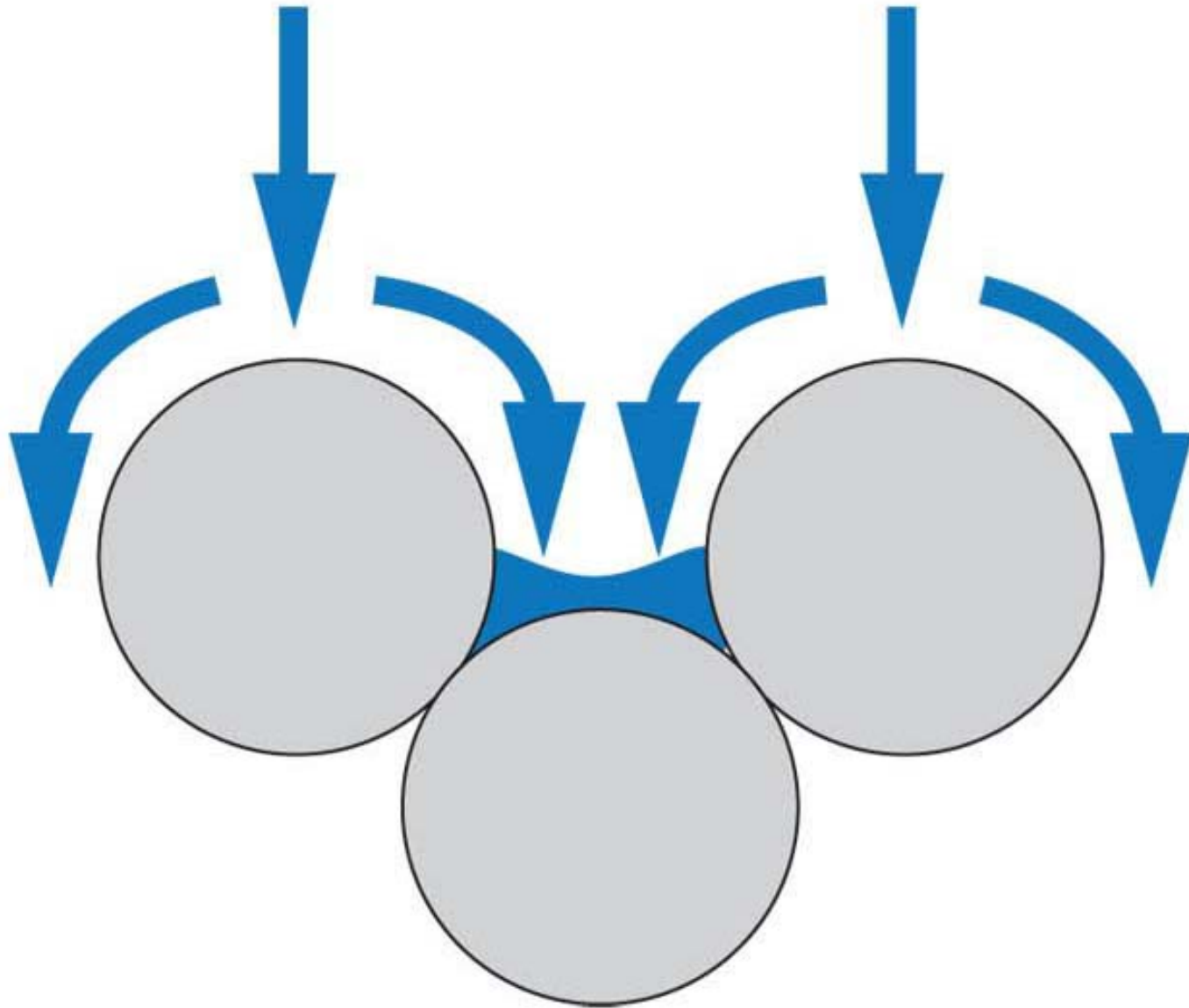


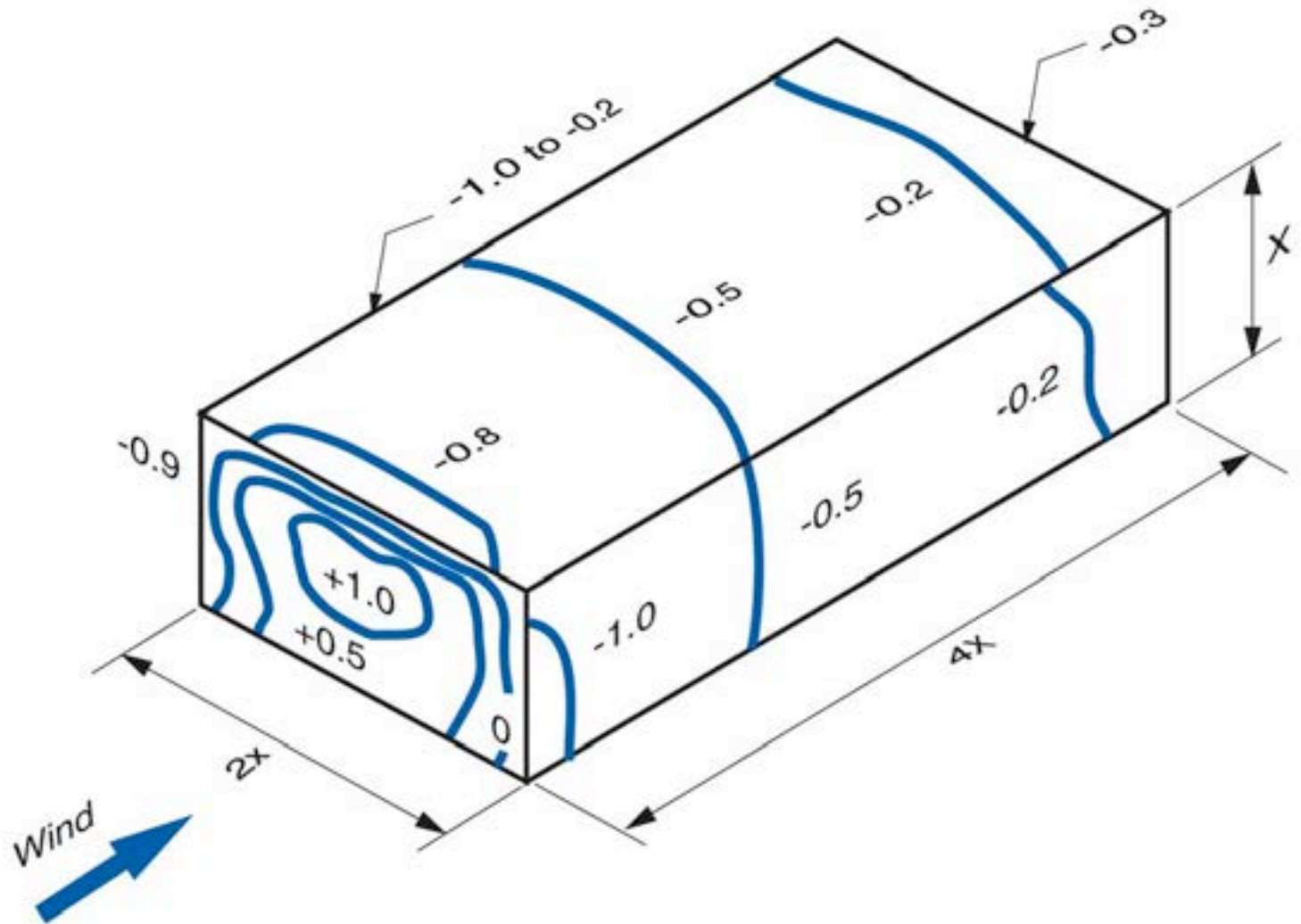






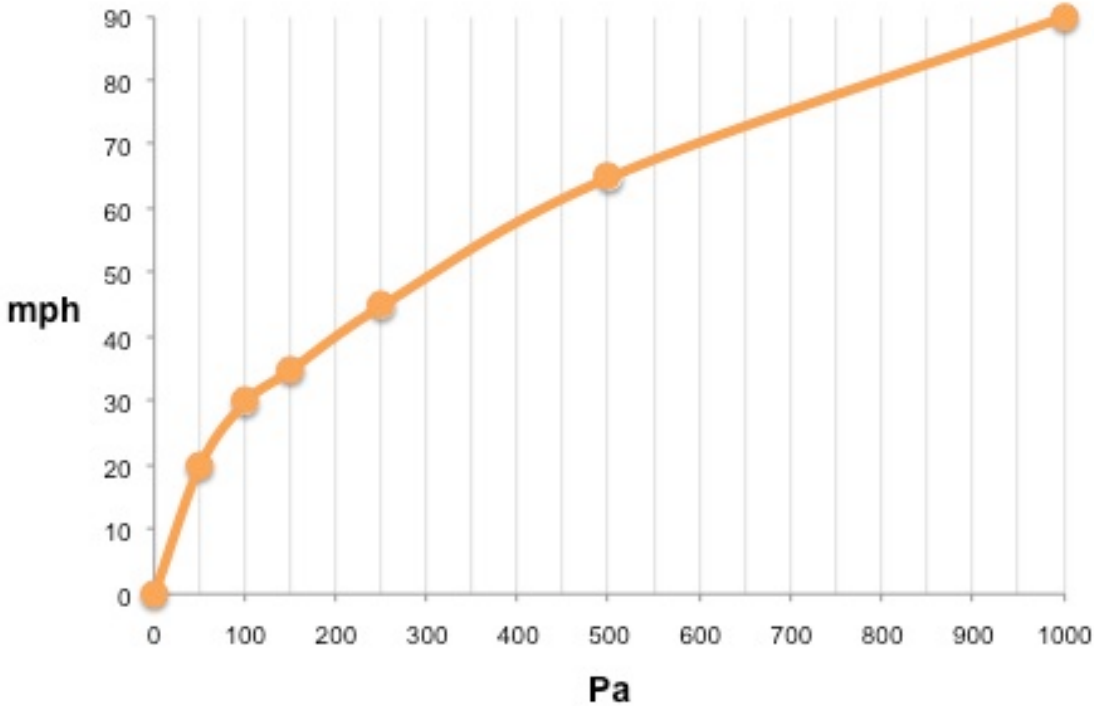






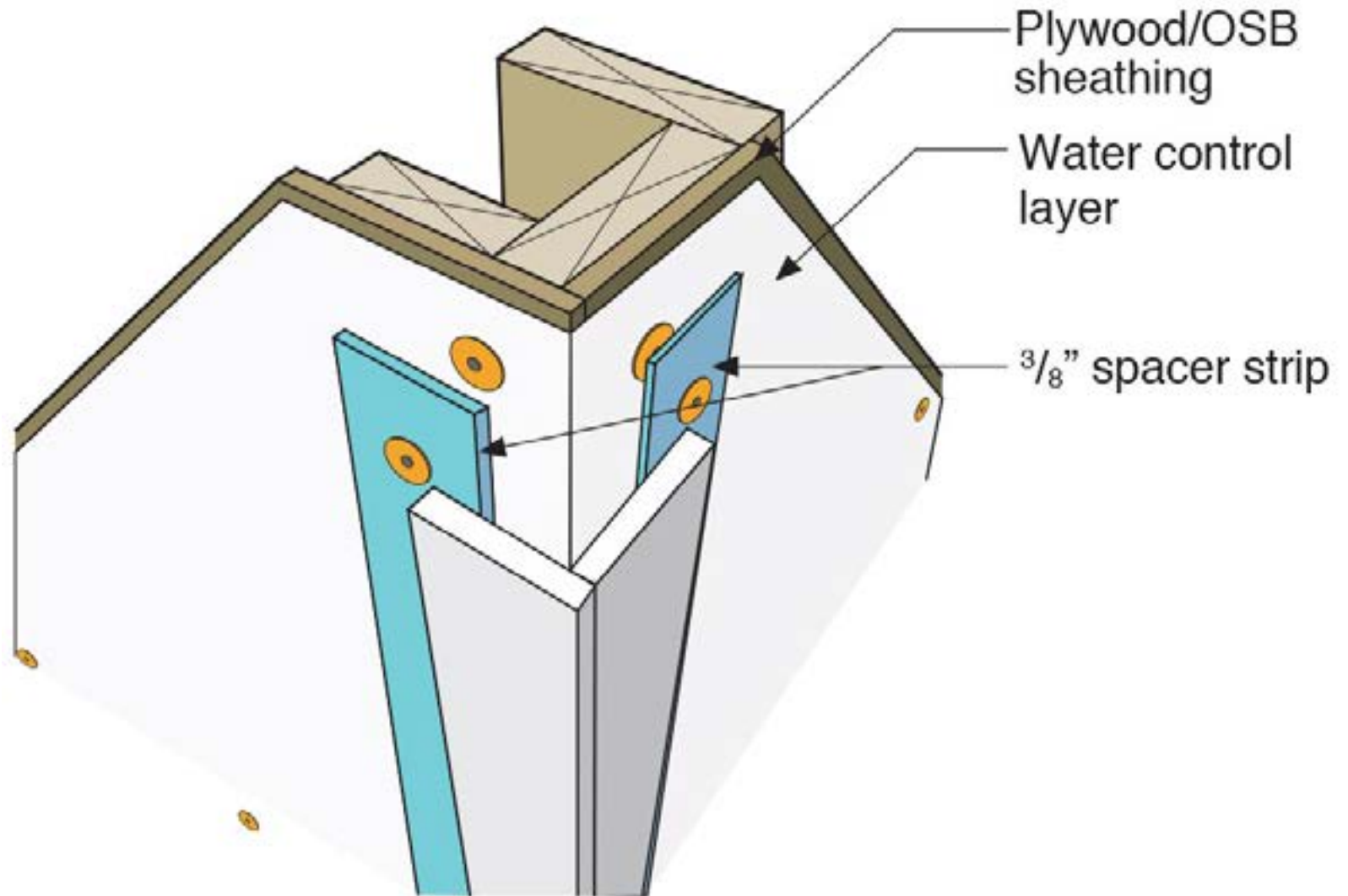
Pascals	mph
50	Pa = 20 mph
100	Pa = 30 mph
150	Pa = 35 mph
250	Pa = 45 mph
500	Pa = 65 mph
1,000	Pa = 90 mph

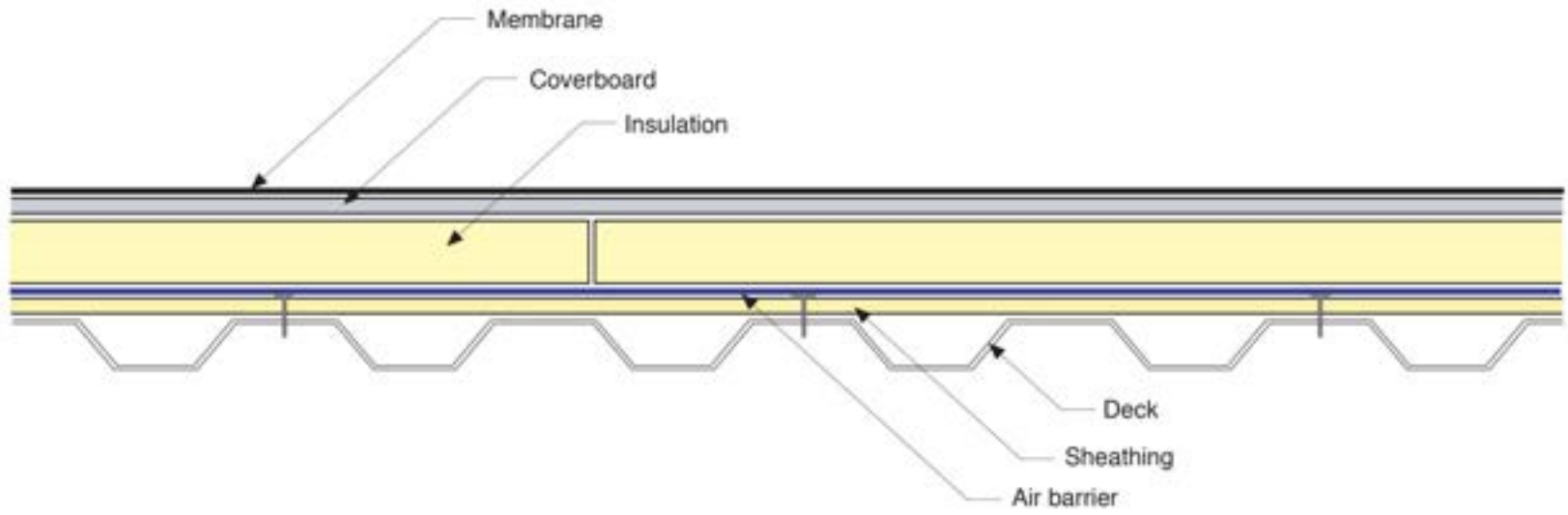
Wind Speed (mph) vs. Stagnation Pressure (Pa)









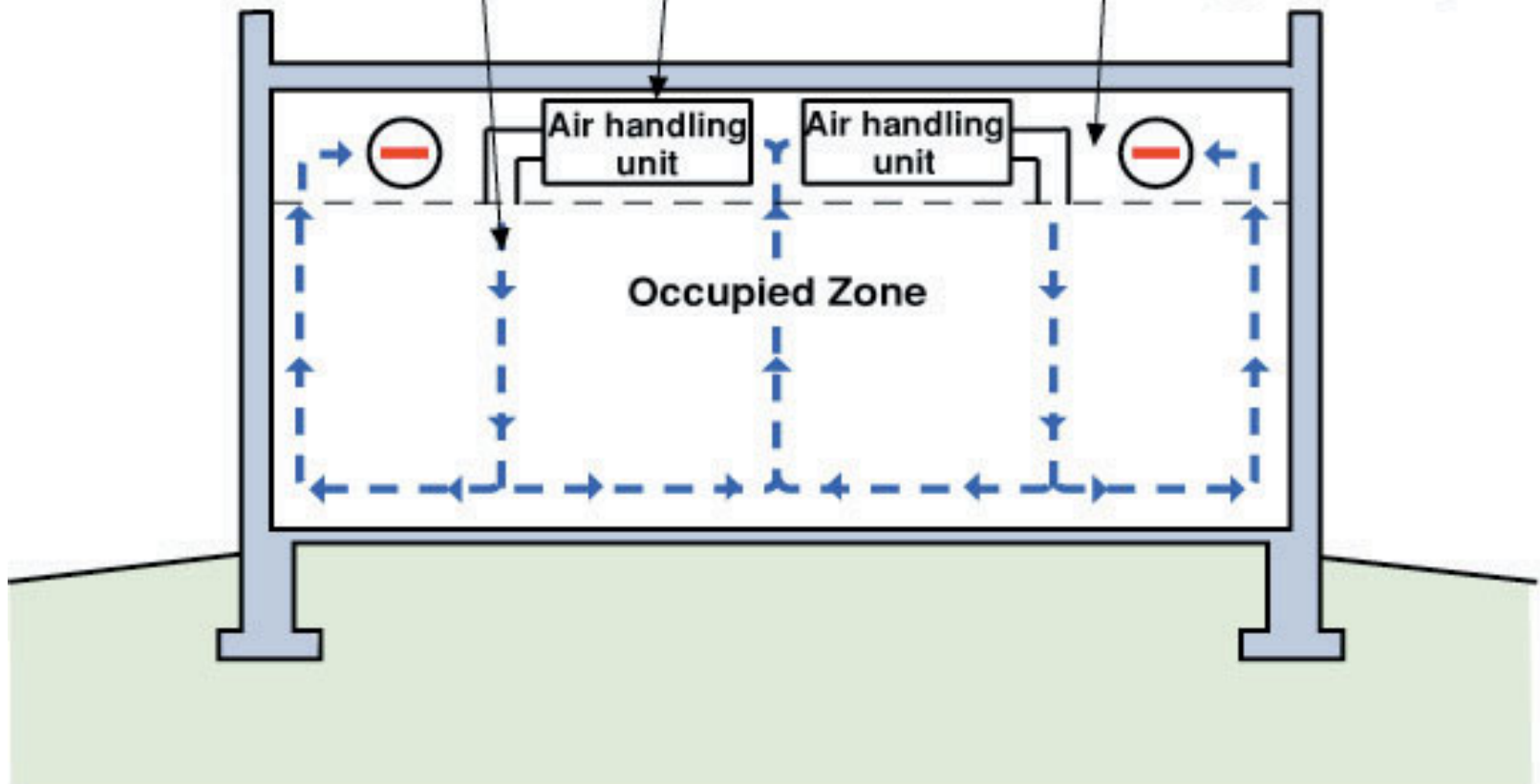


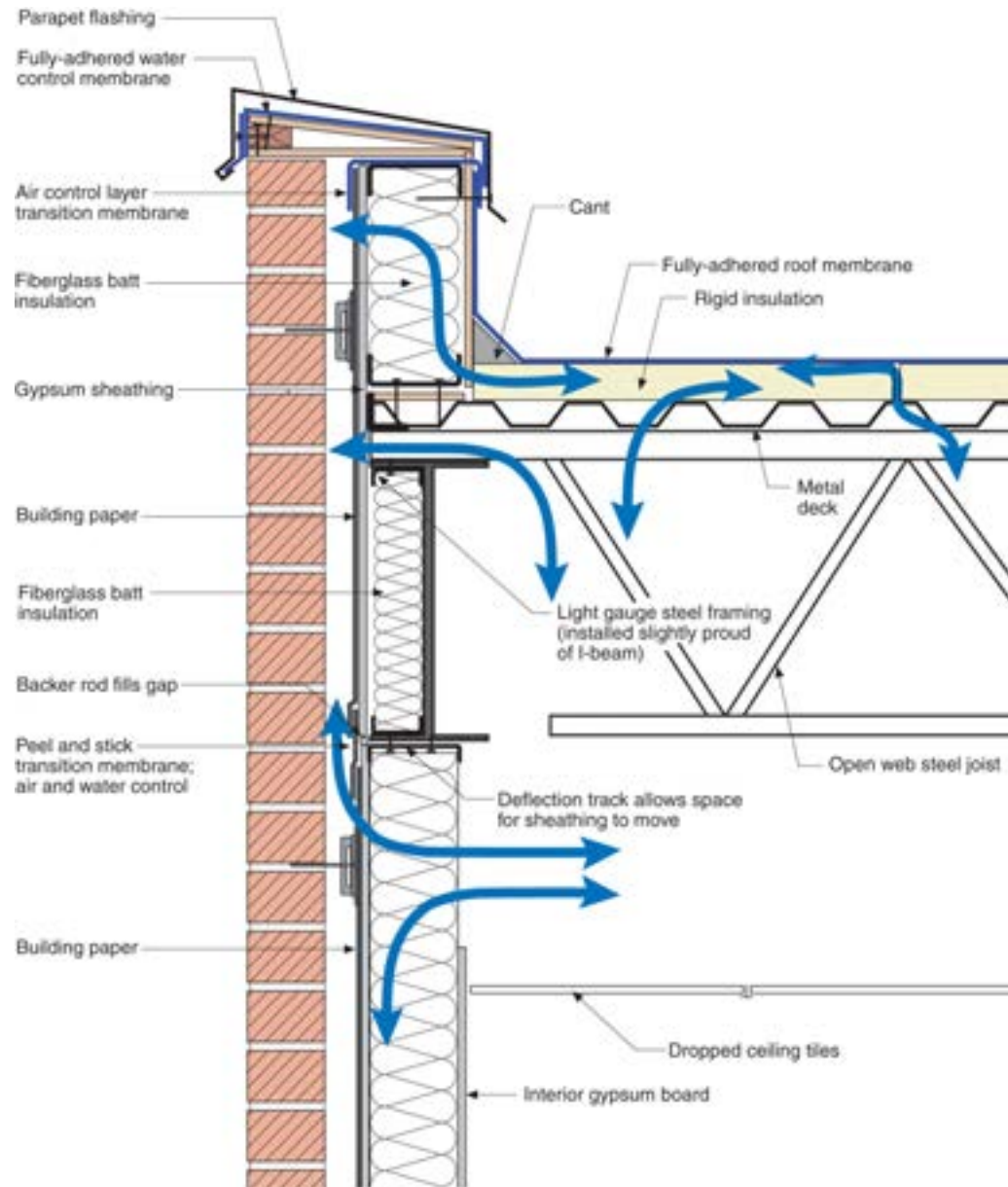
Air Leakage

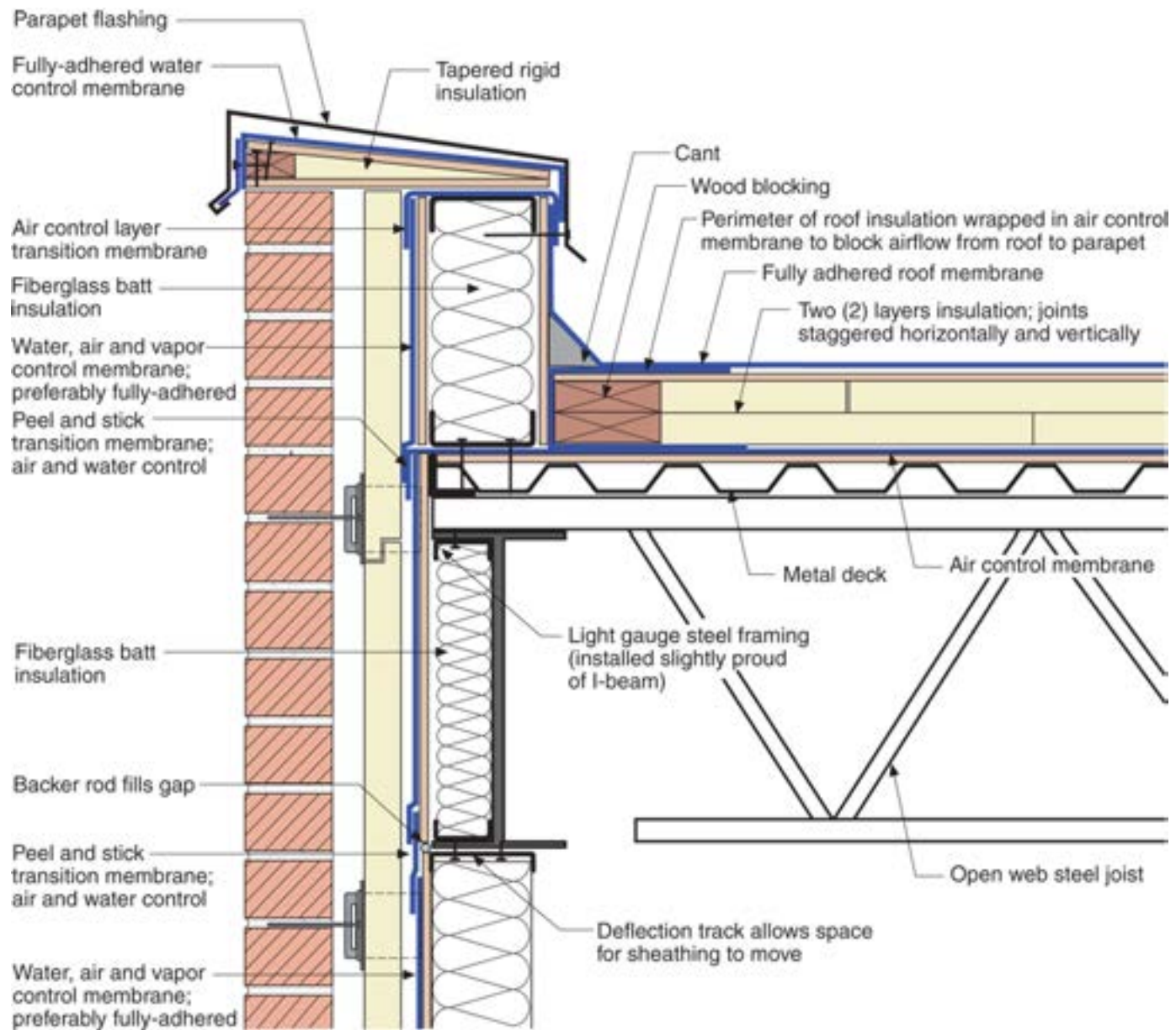
Supply air into occupied zone returns to AHU by passing through deliberately porous dropped ceiling or through return grilles installed in dropped ceiling

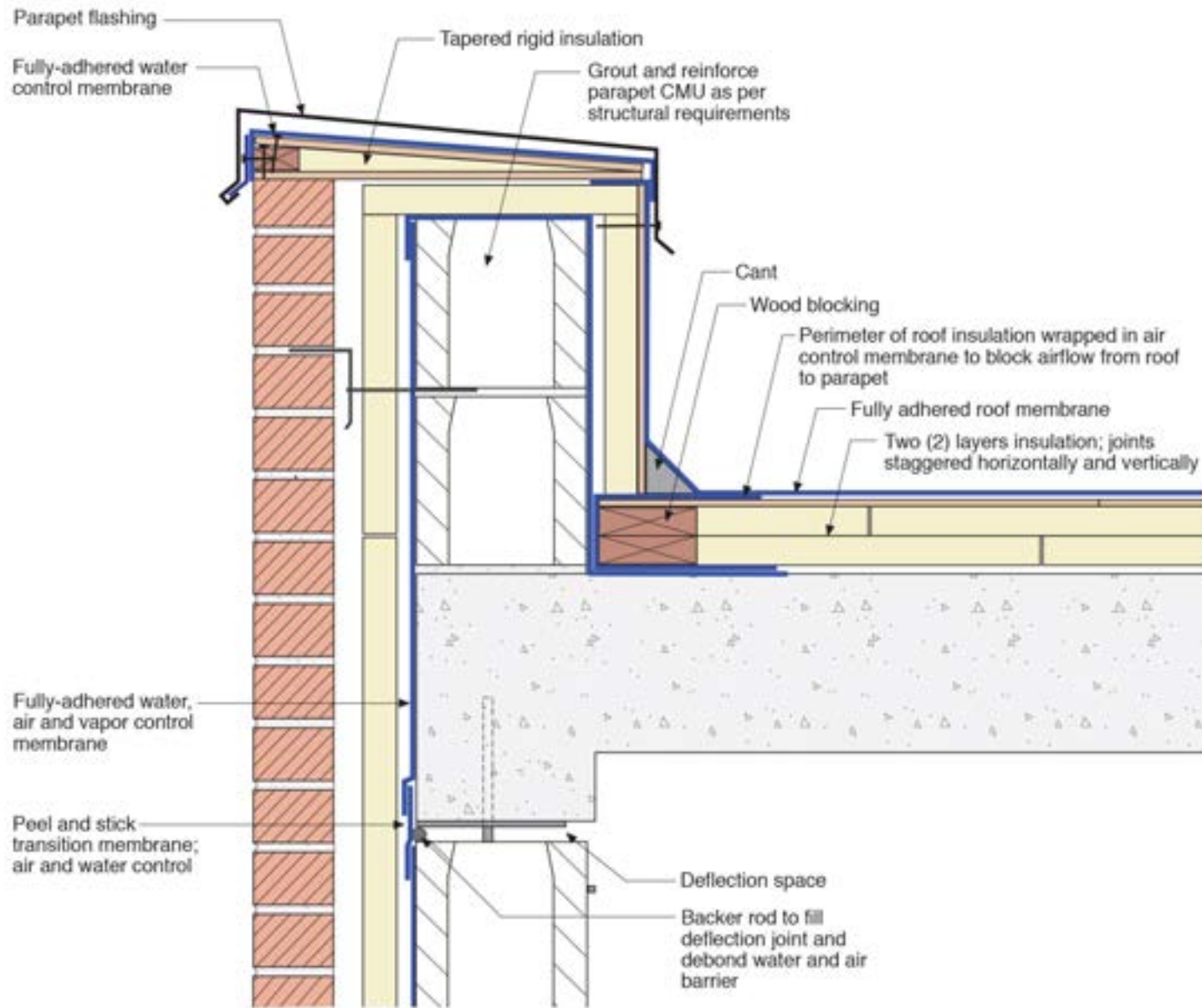
Air handling unit extracts air from dropped ceiling, conditions it and injects it into the occupied zones via supply ductwork

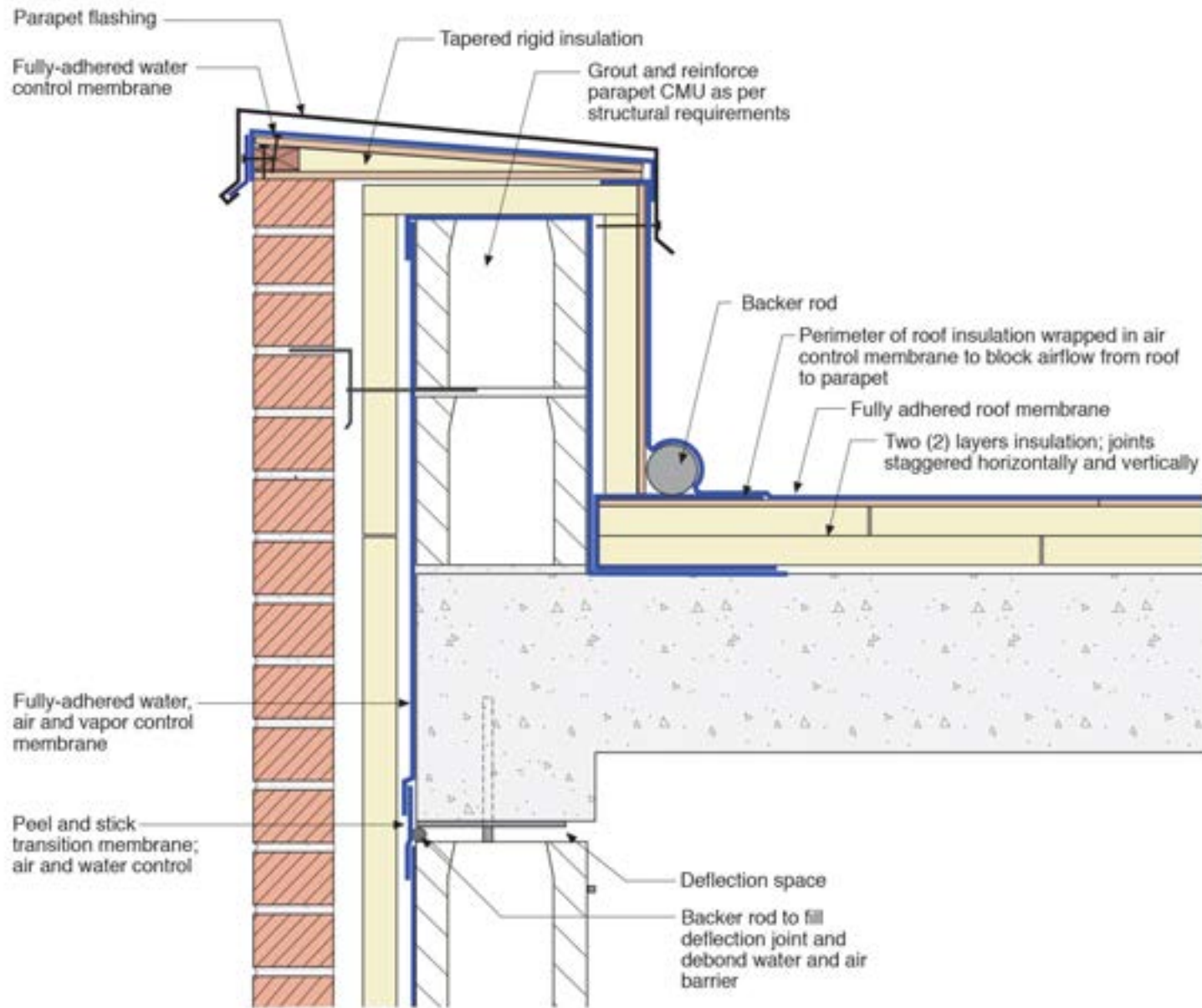
Dropped ceiling depressurized by air handling units extracting air from dropped ceiling

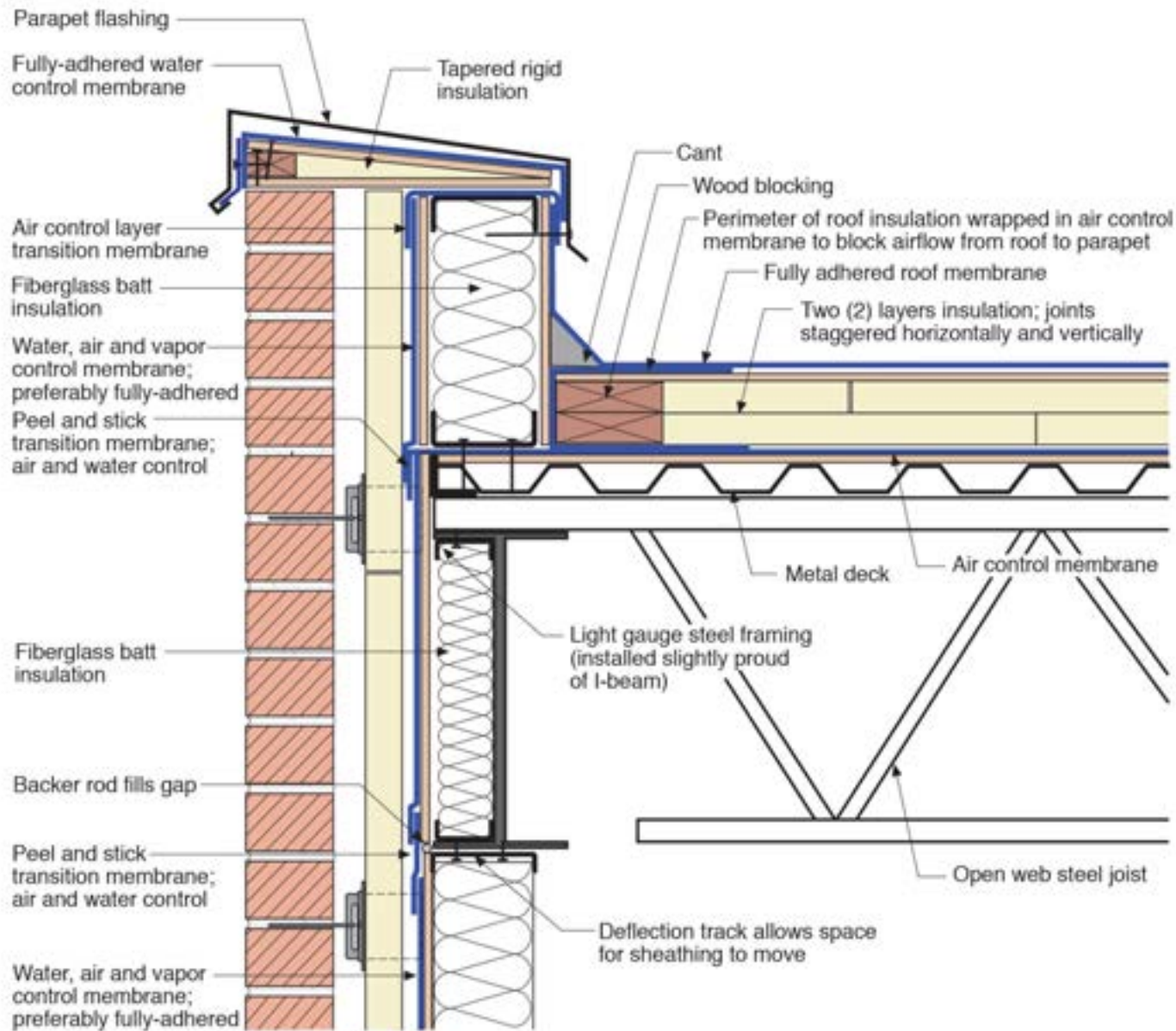


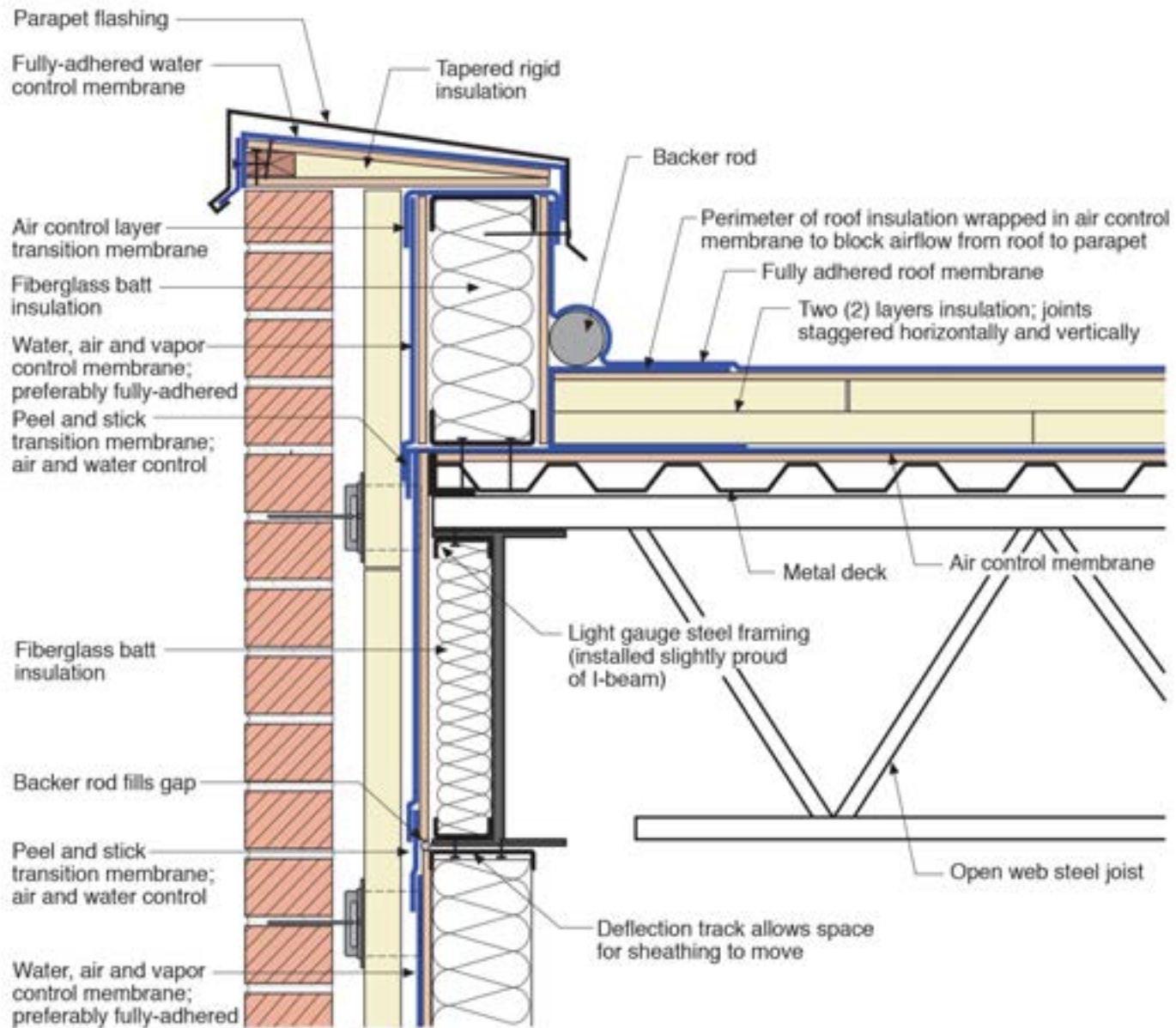


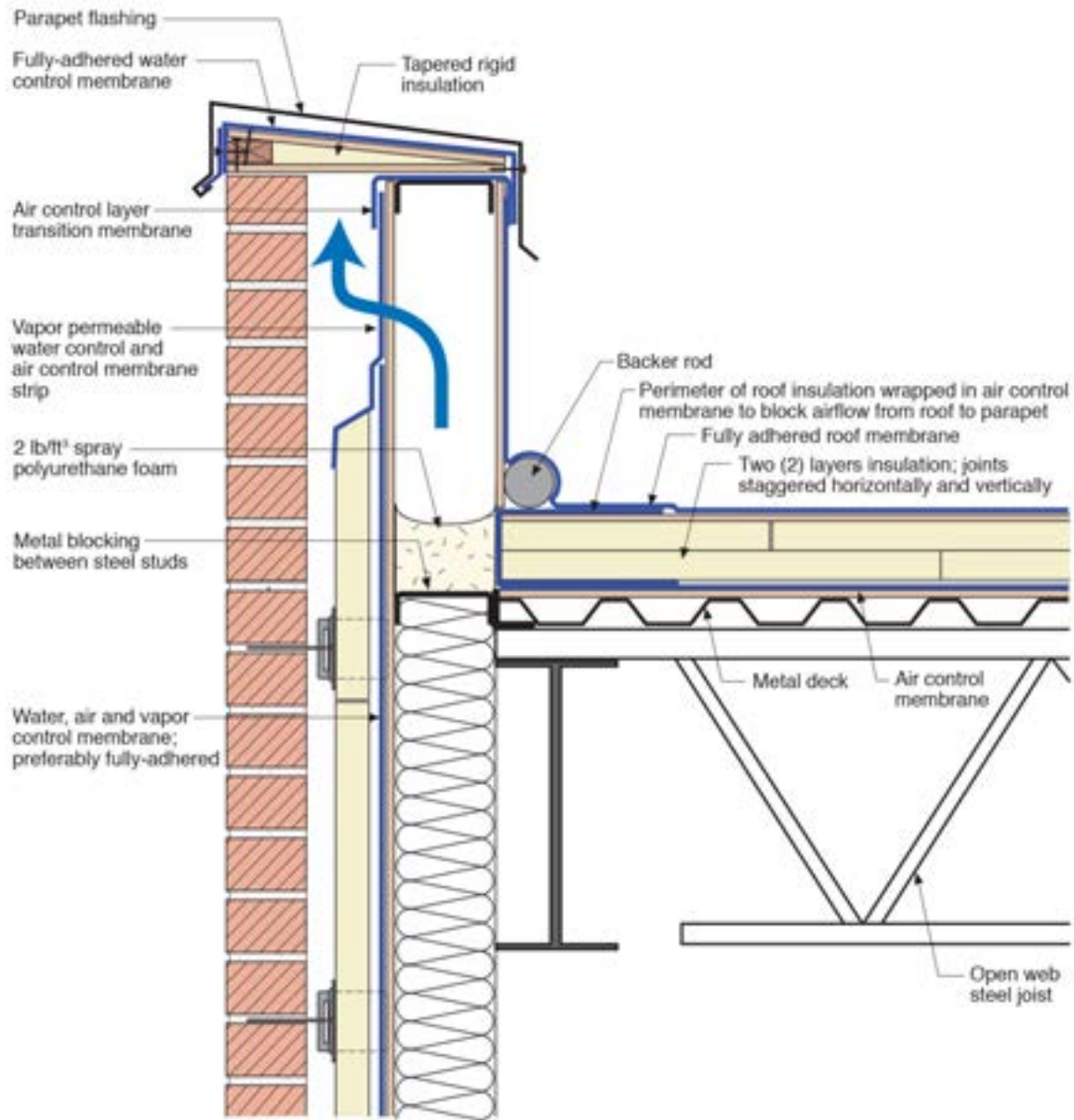


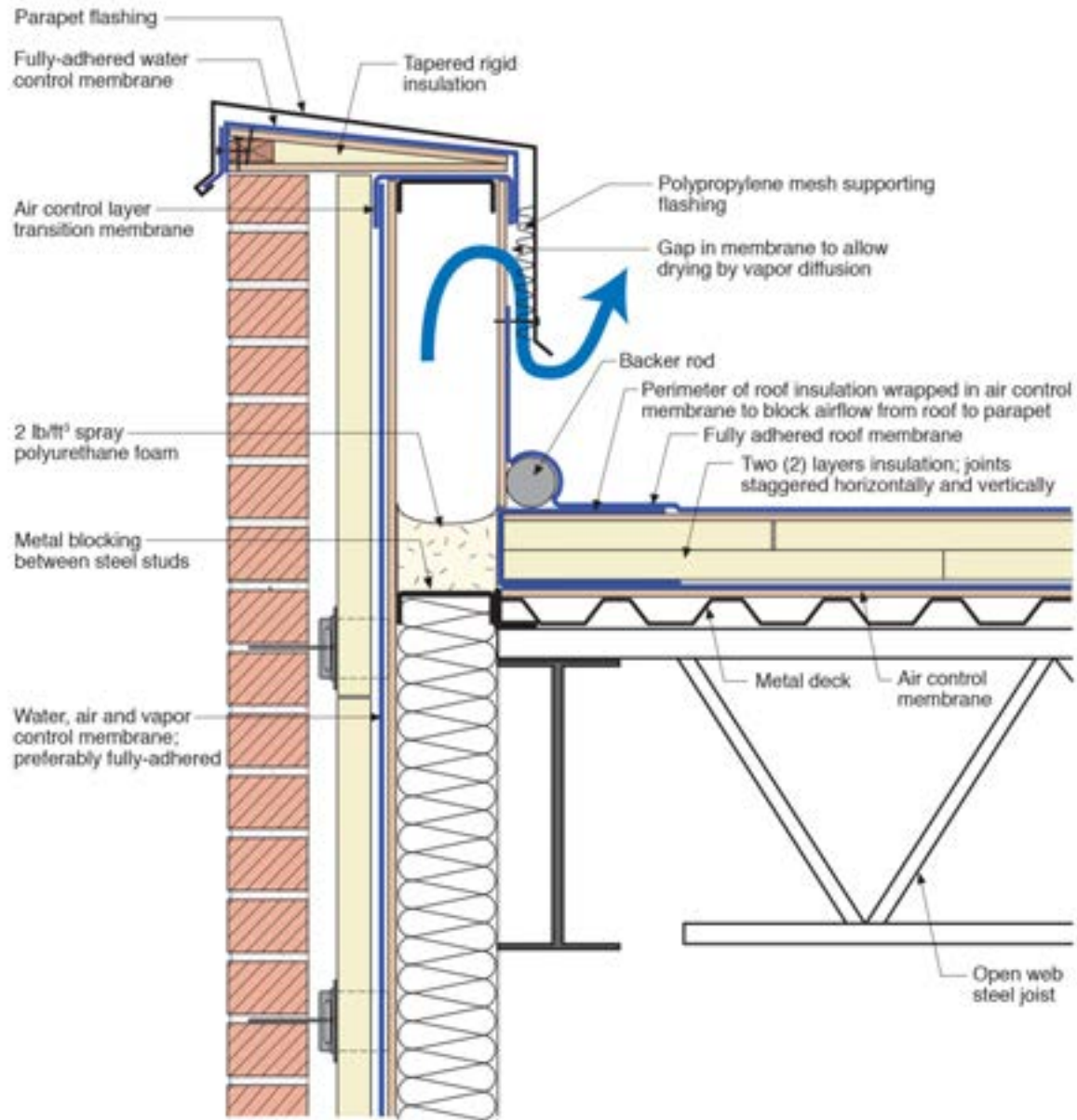


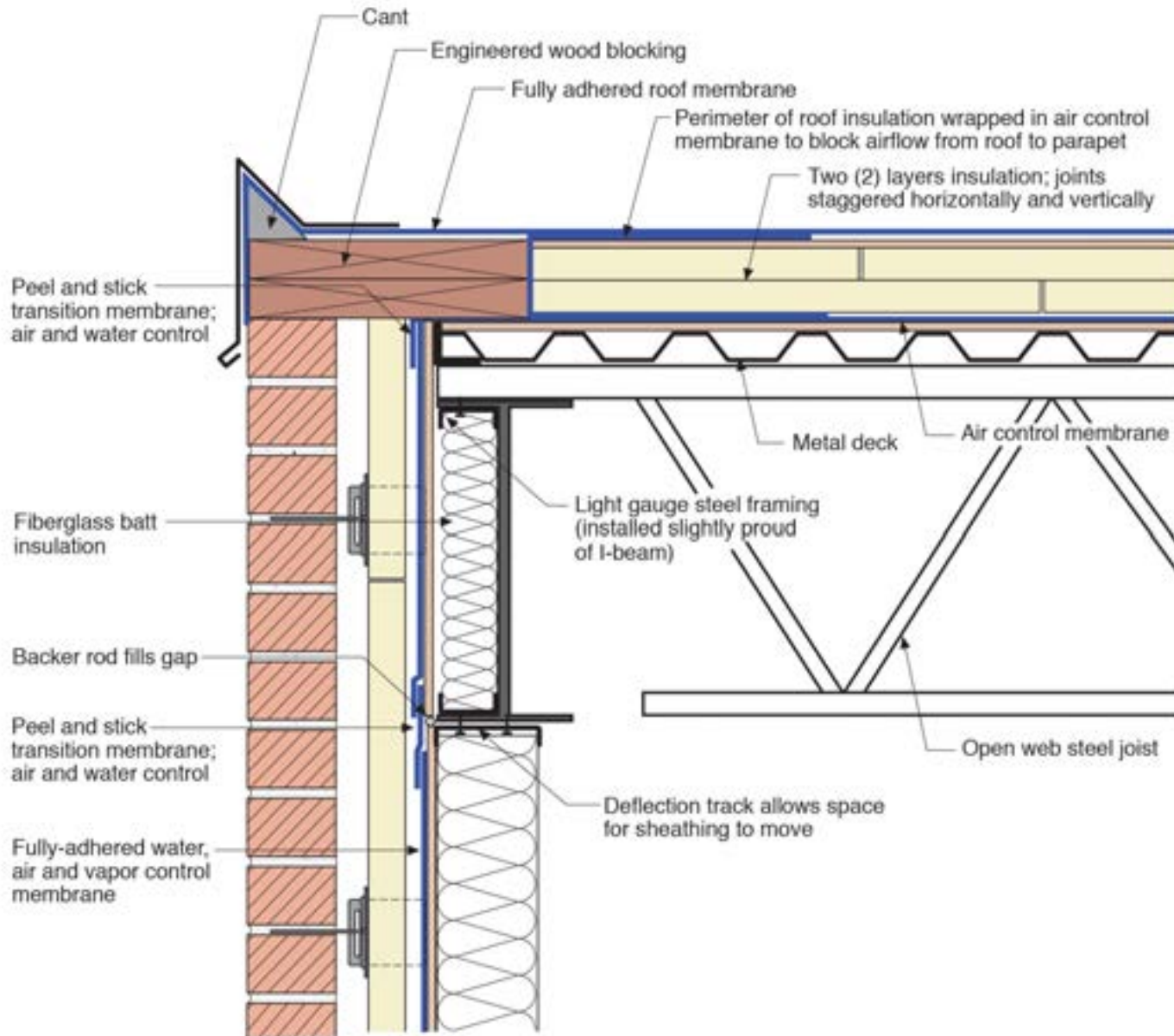


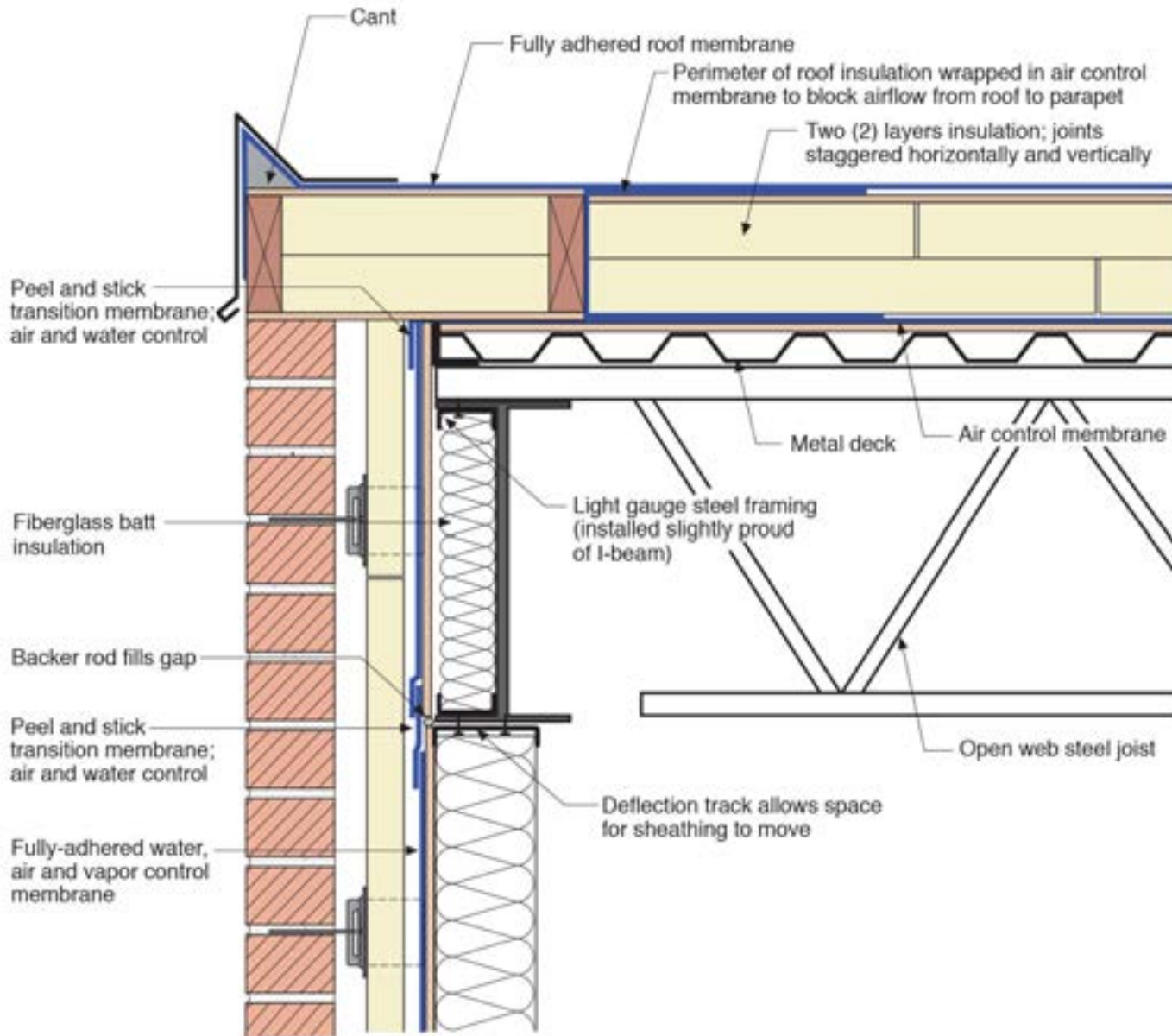


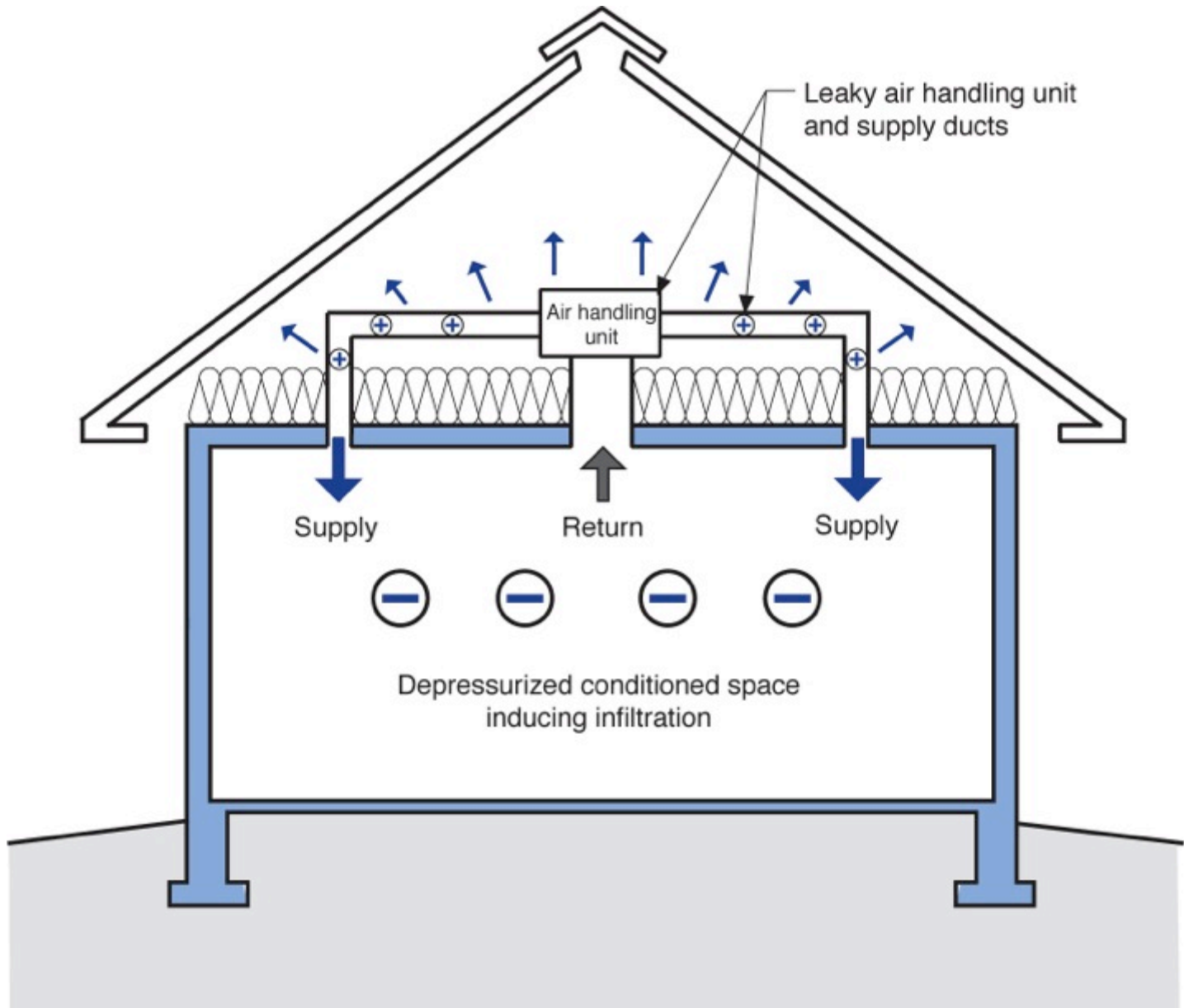










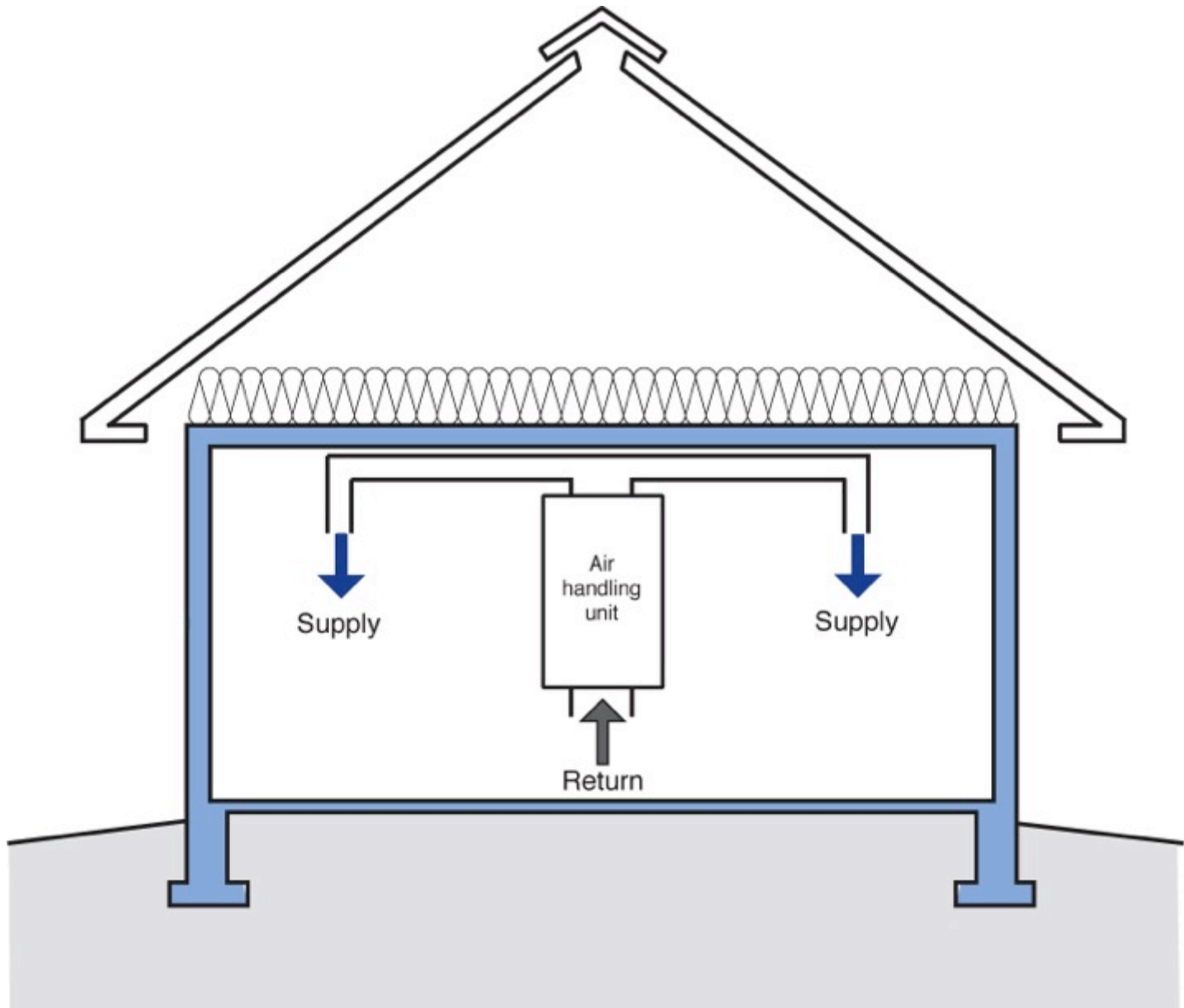


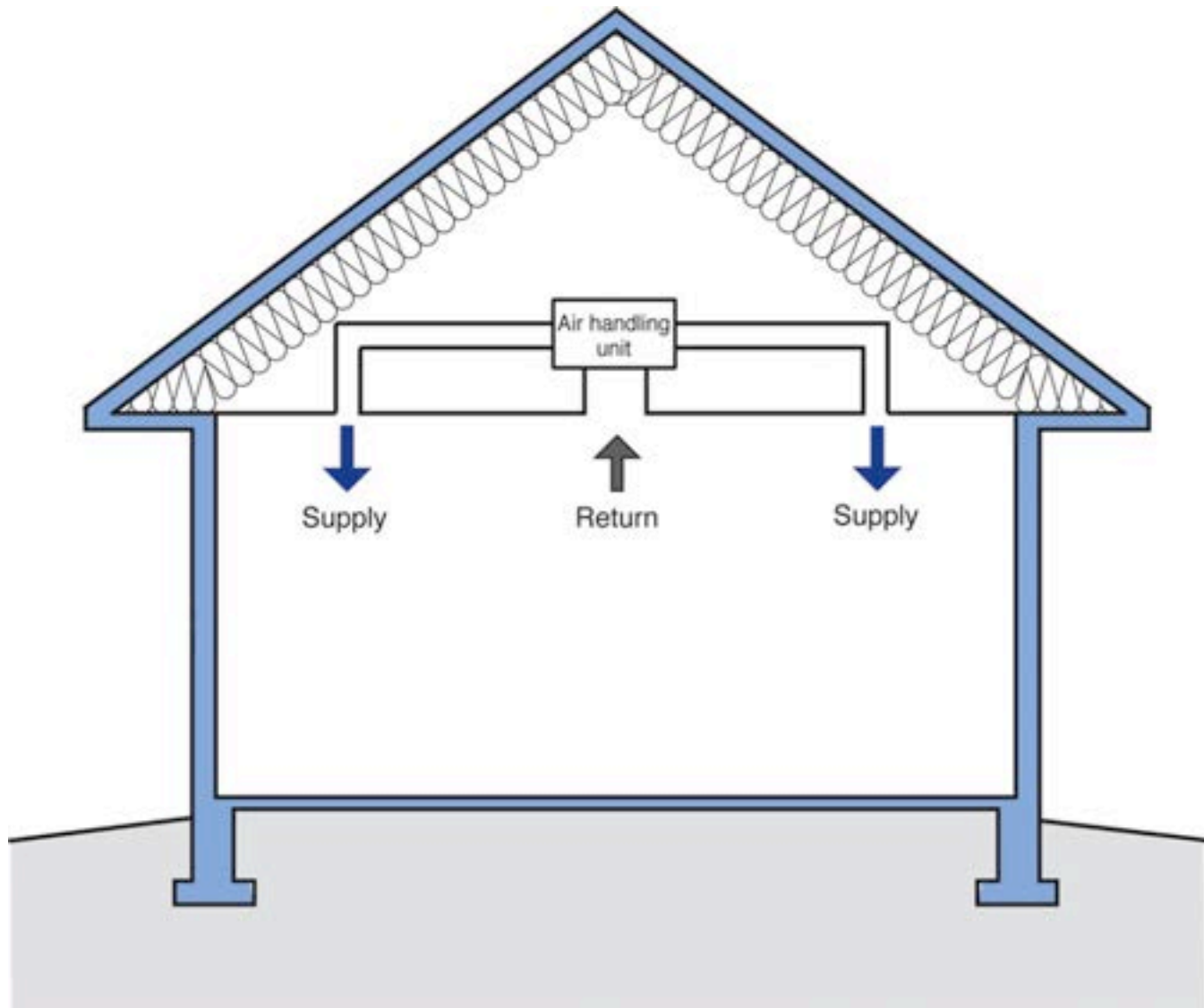




Houses With Vented Attics Suck

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Not all the Time.....but.....

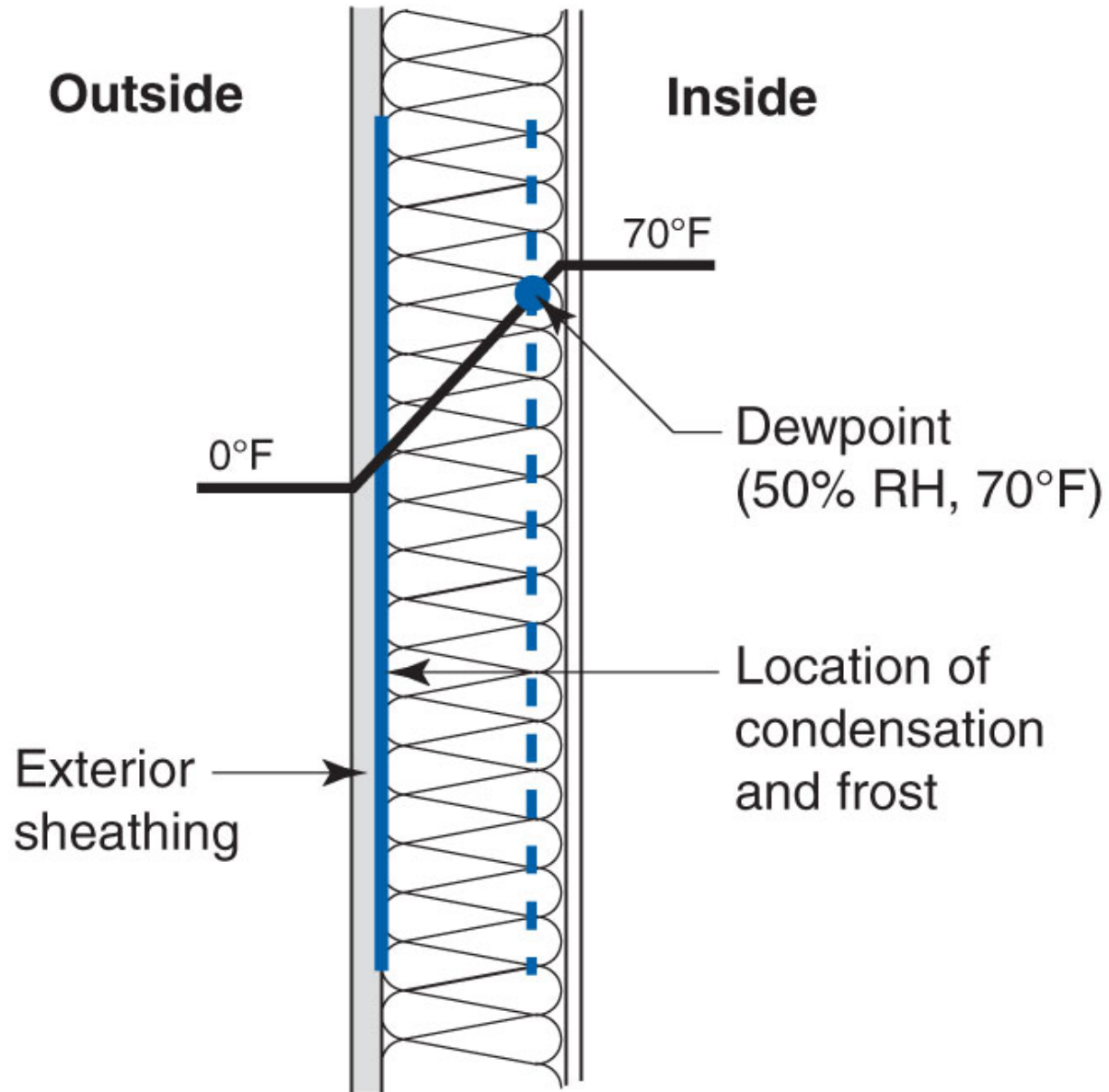




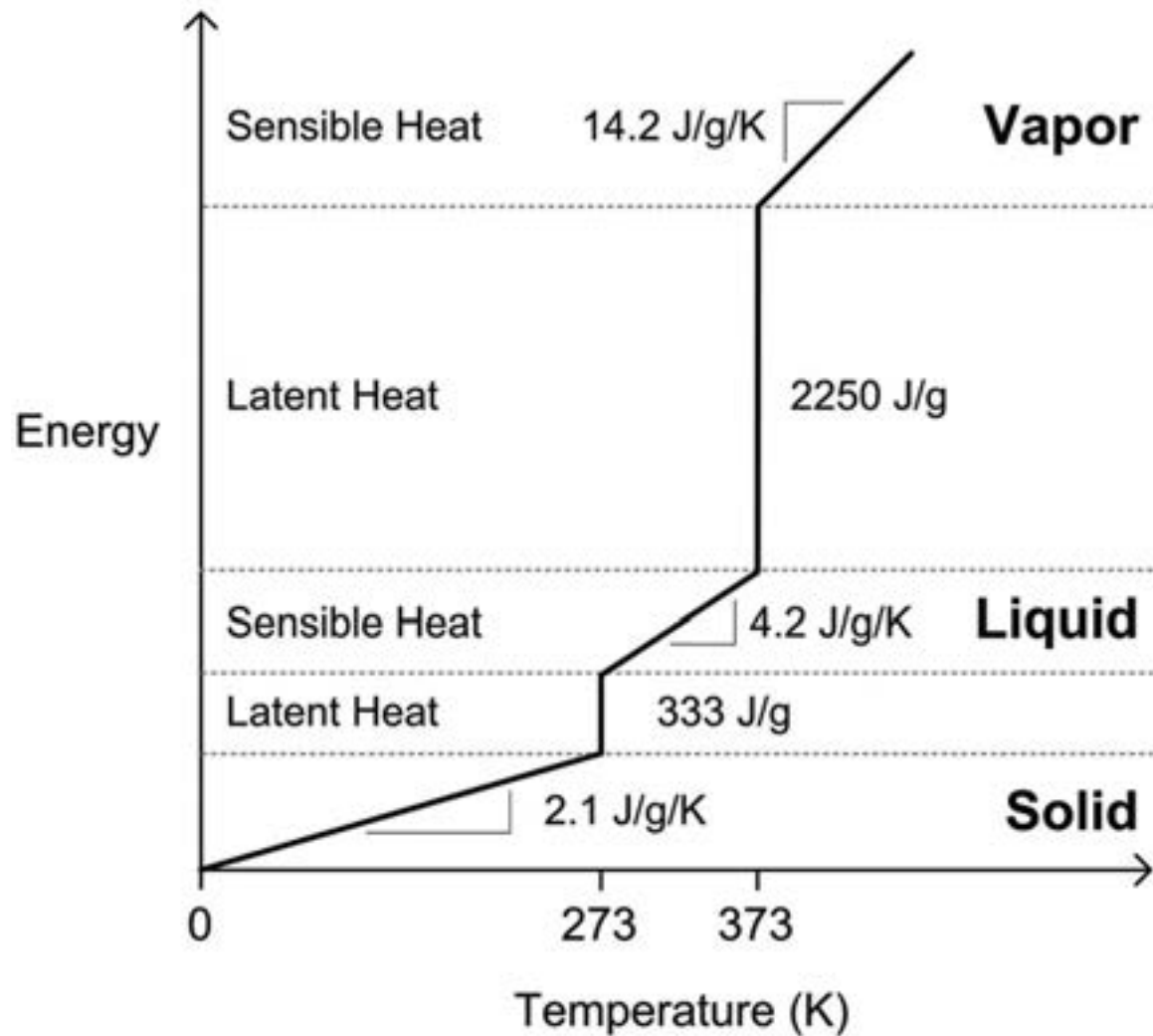




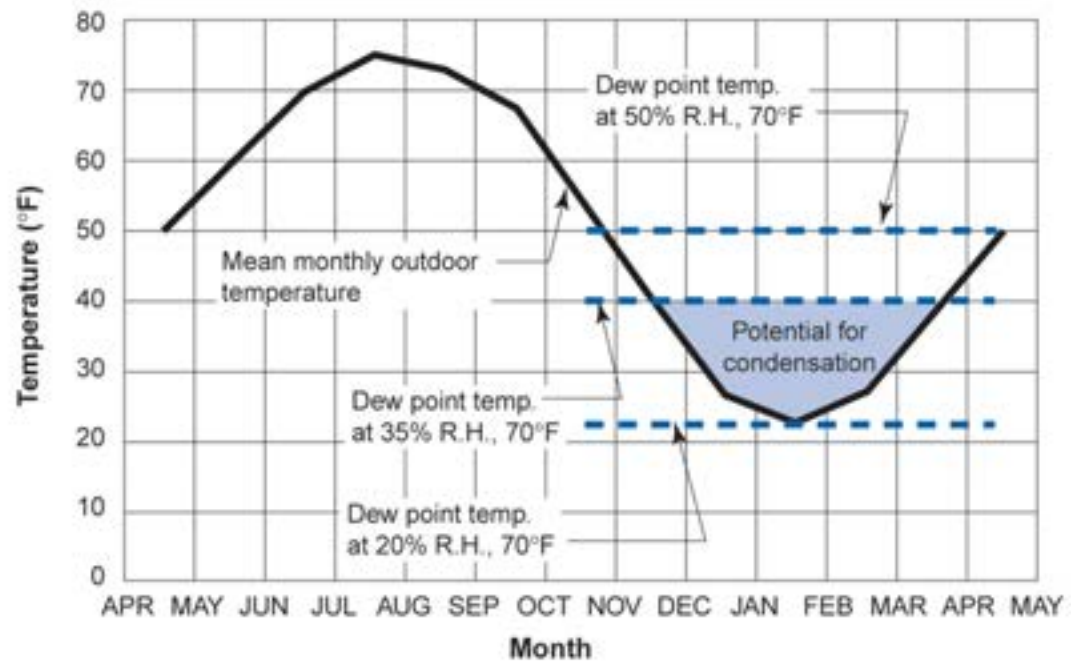
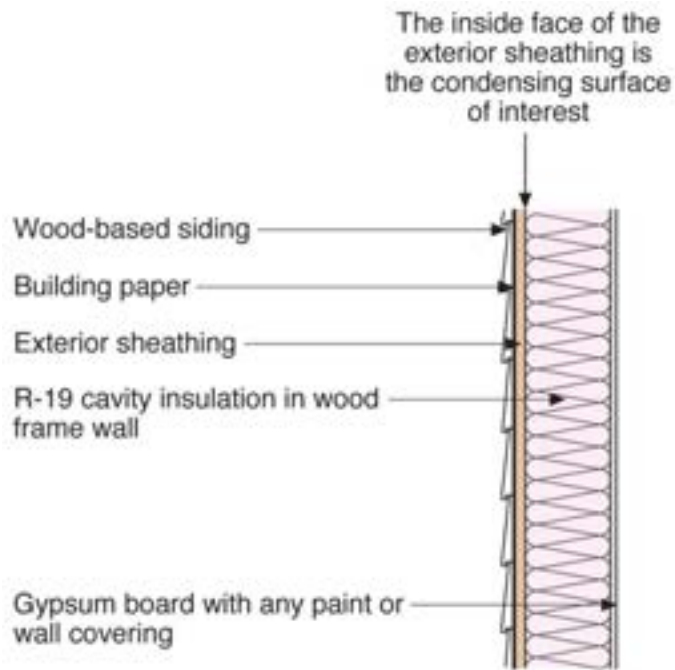


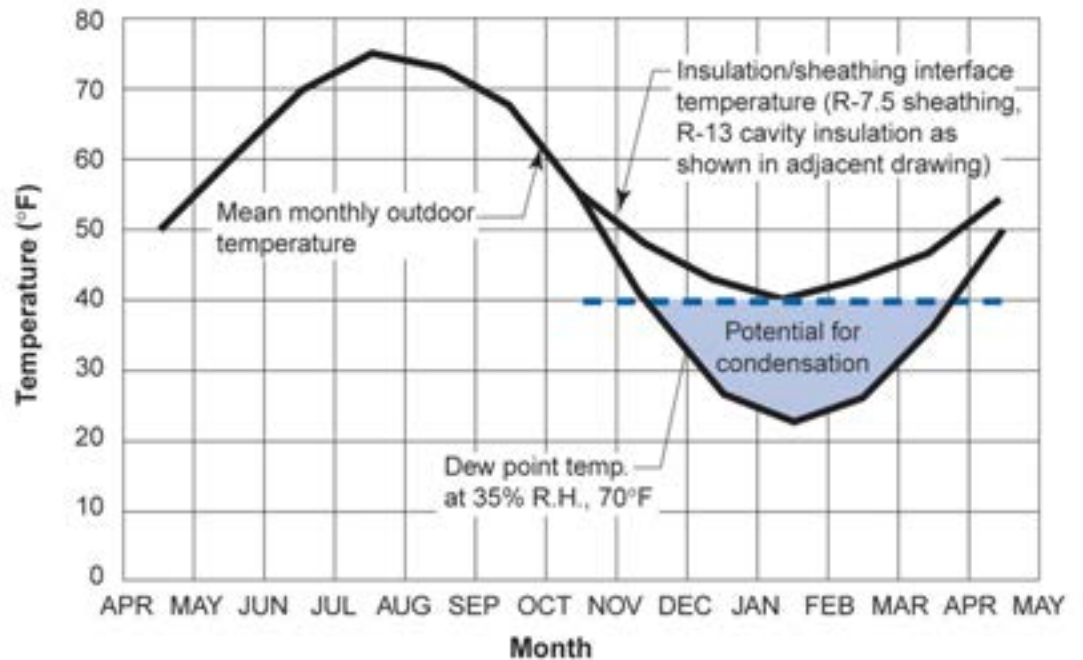
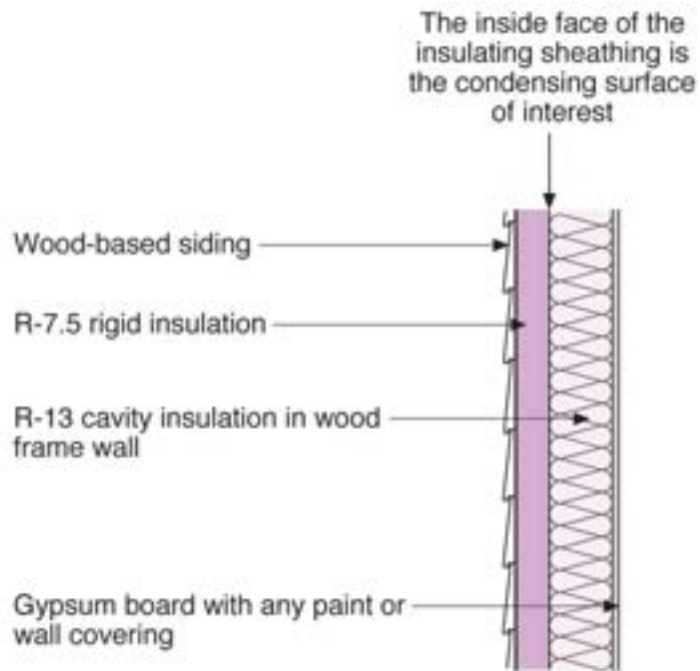






Simple linearized energy-temperature relation for water
 From Straube & Burnett, 2005





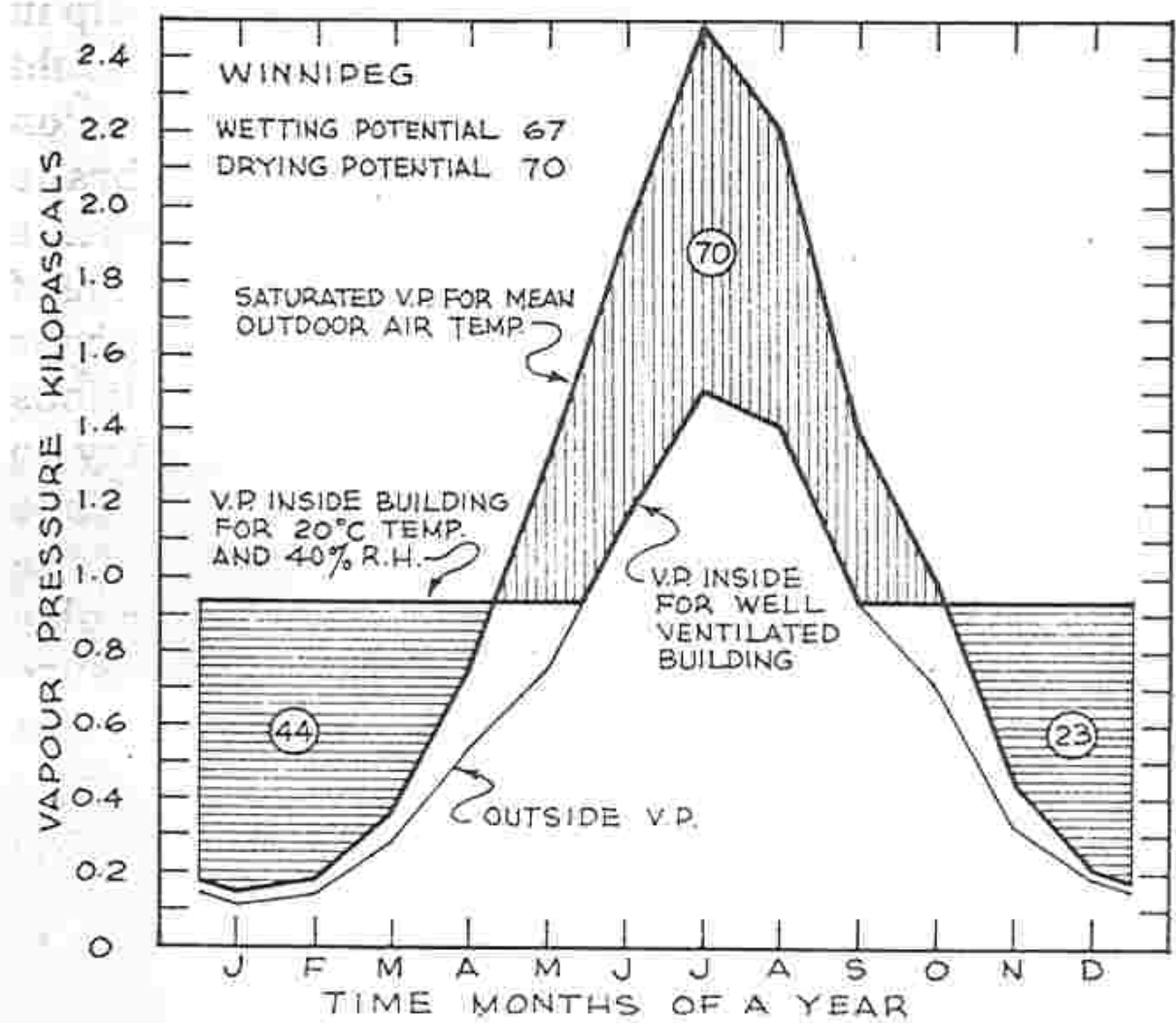
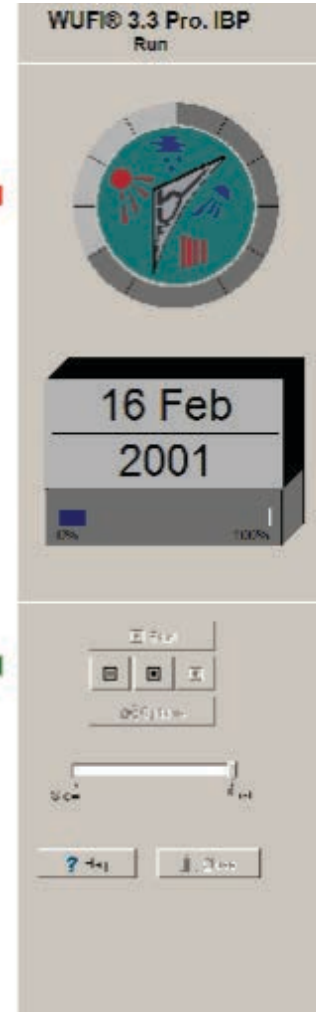
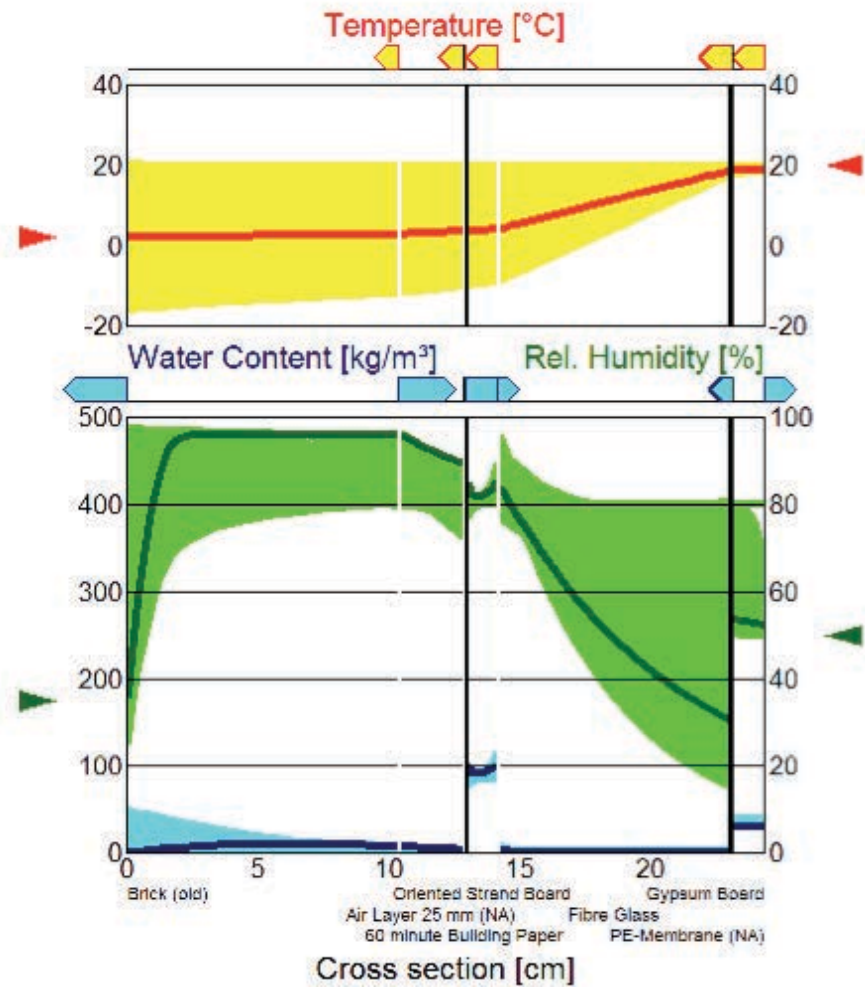
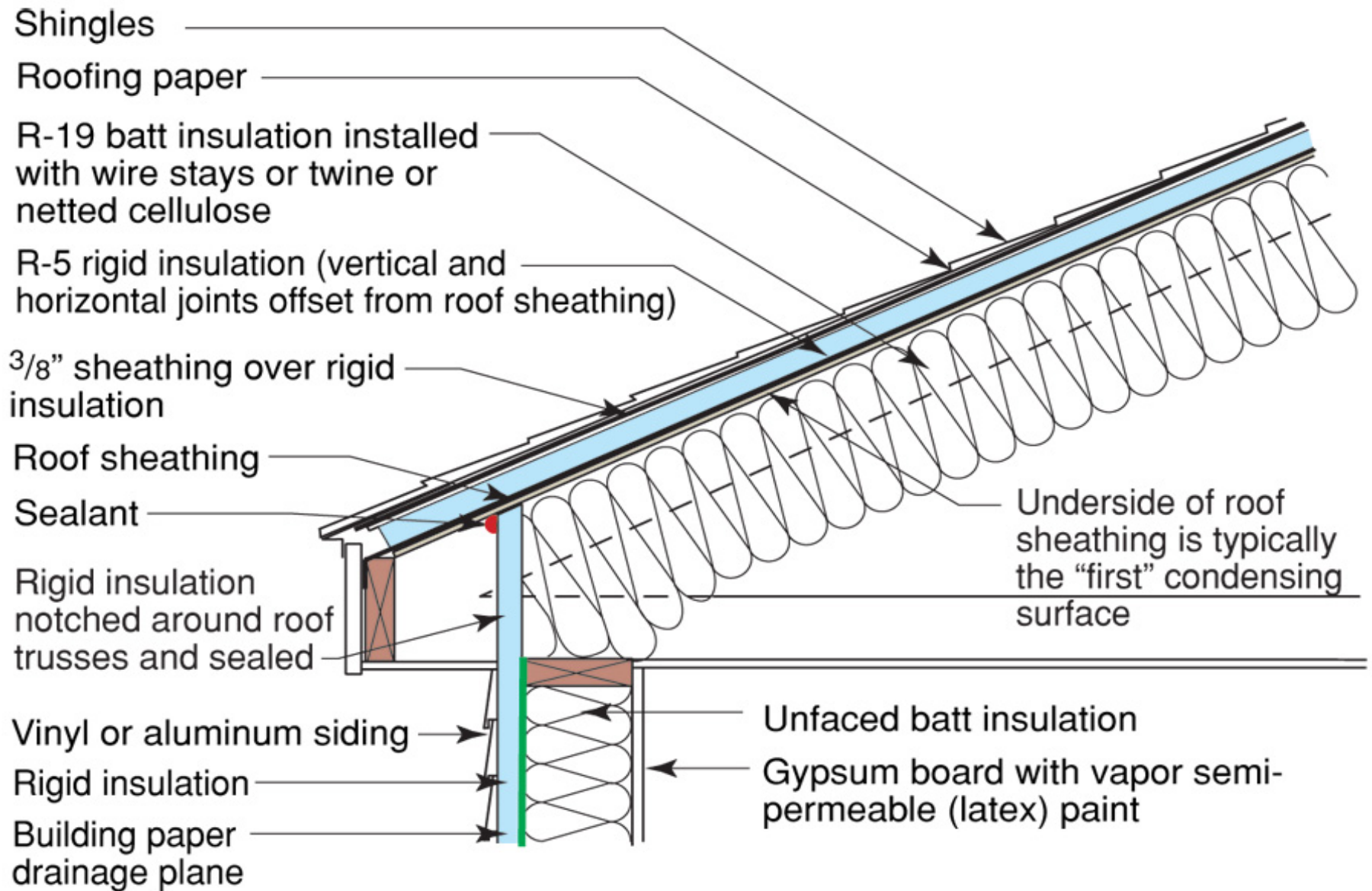
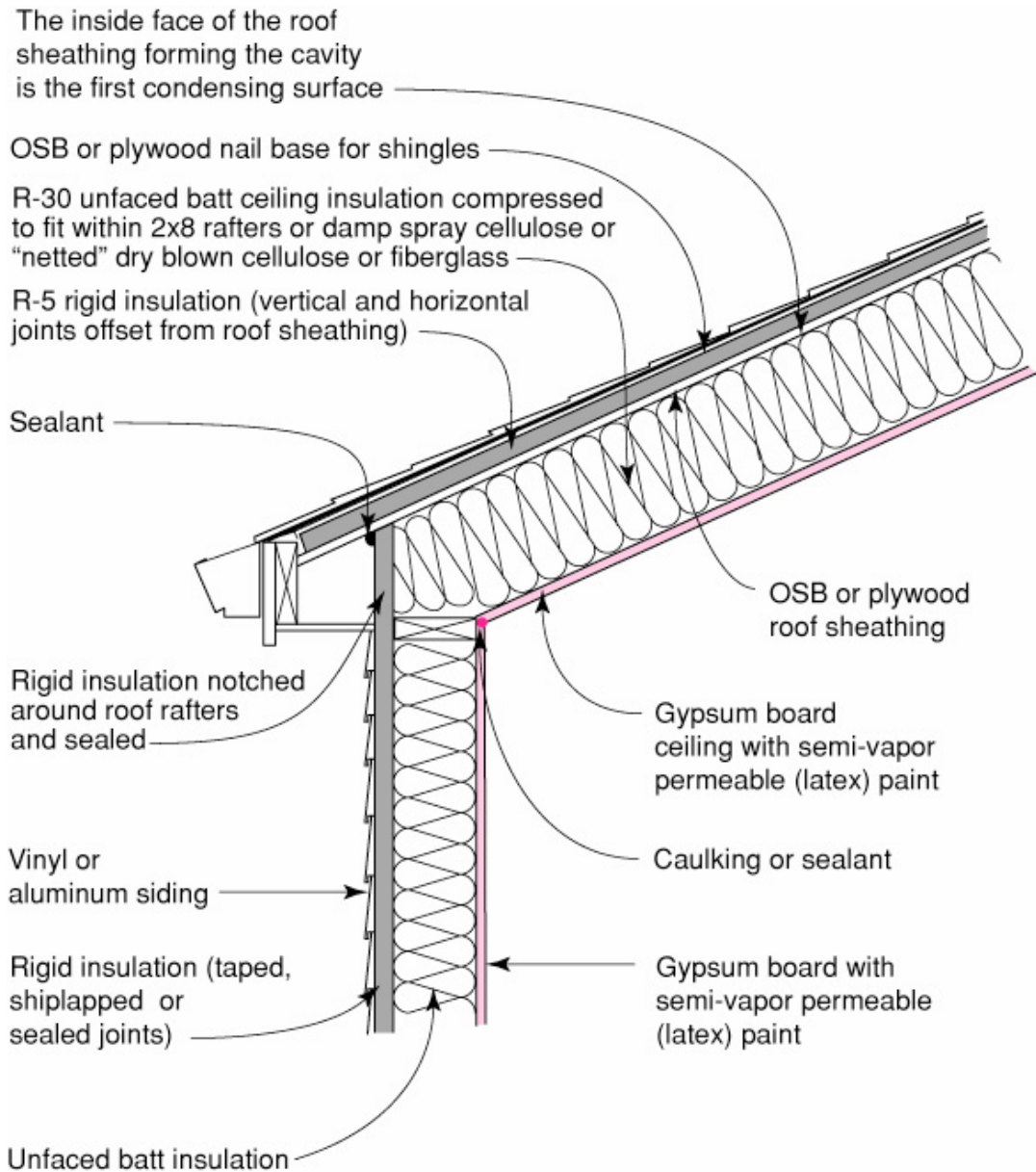
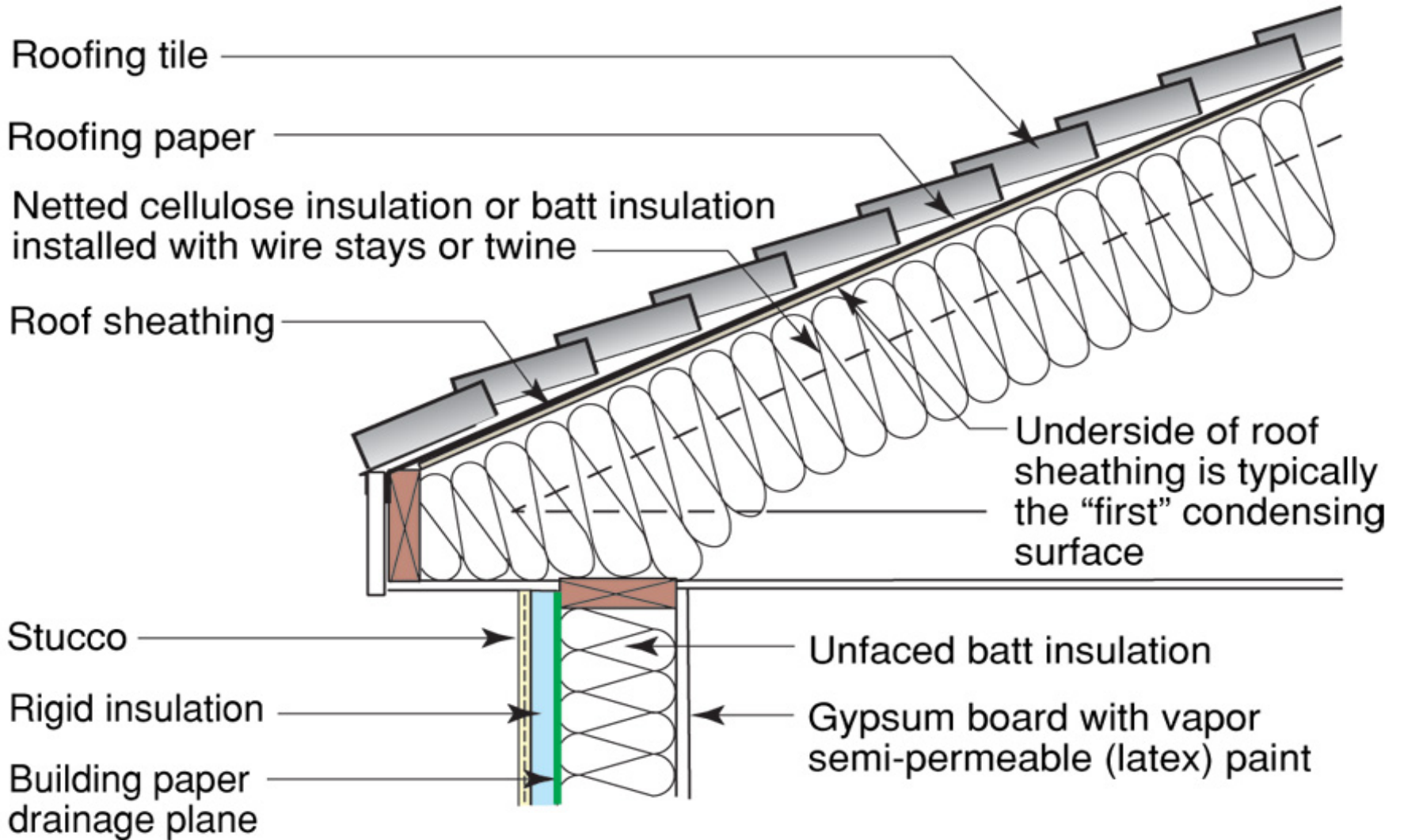


Figure 8-7. Outside vapour pressure, saturated vapour pressure and inside vapour pressure for Winnipeg.





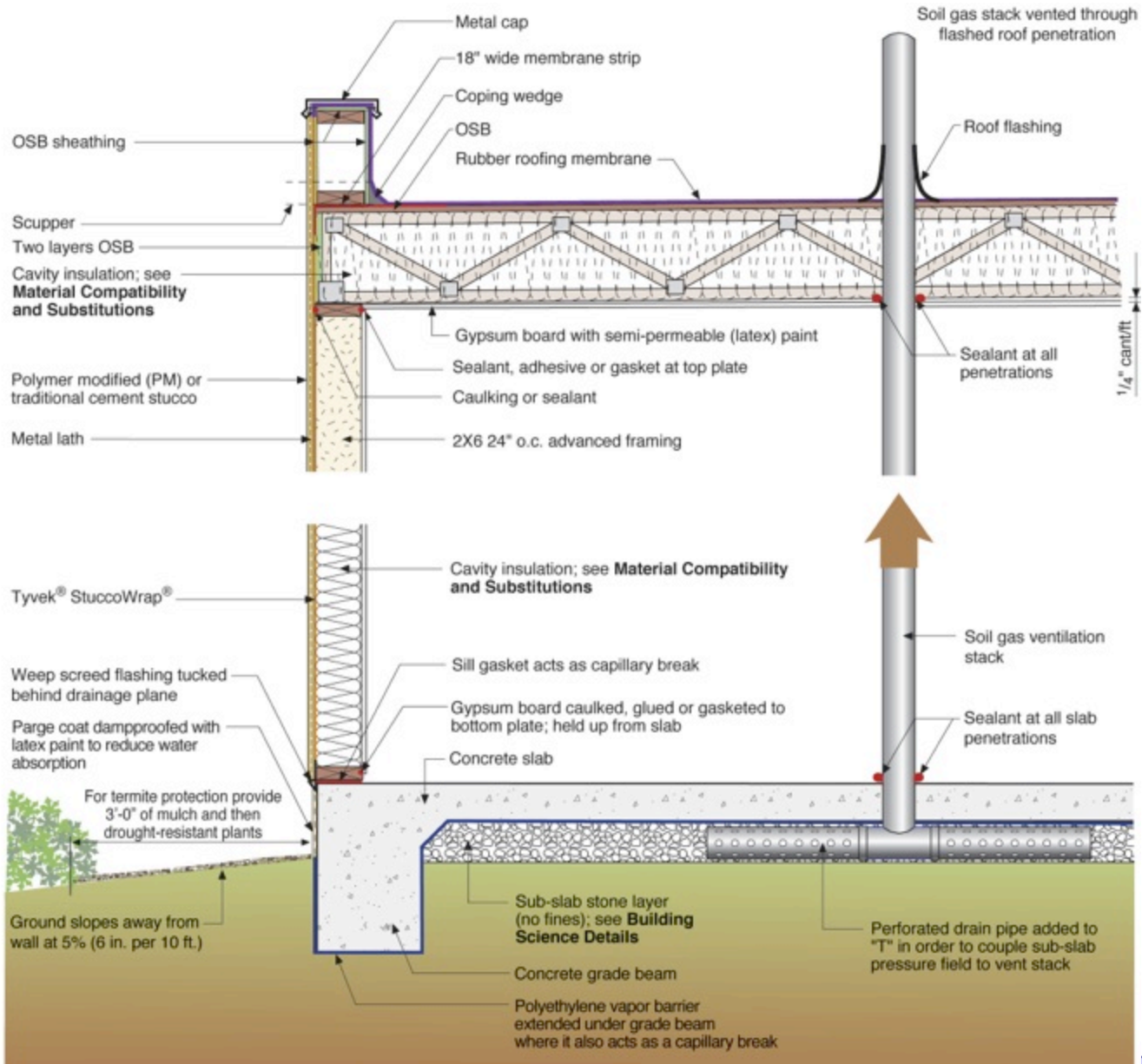


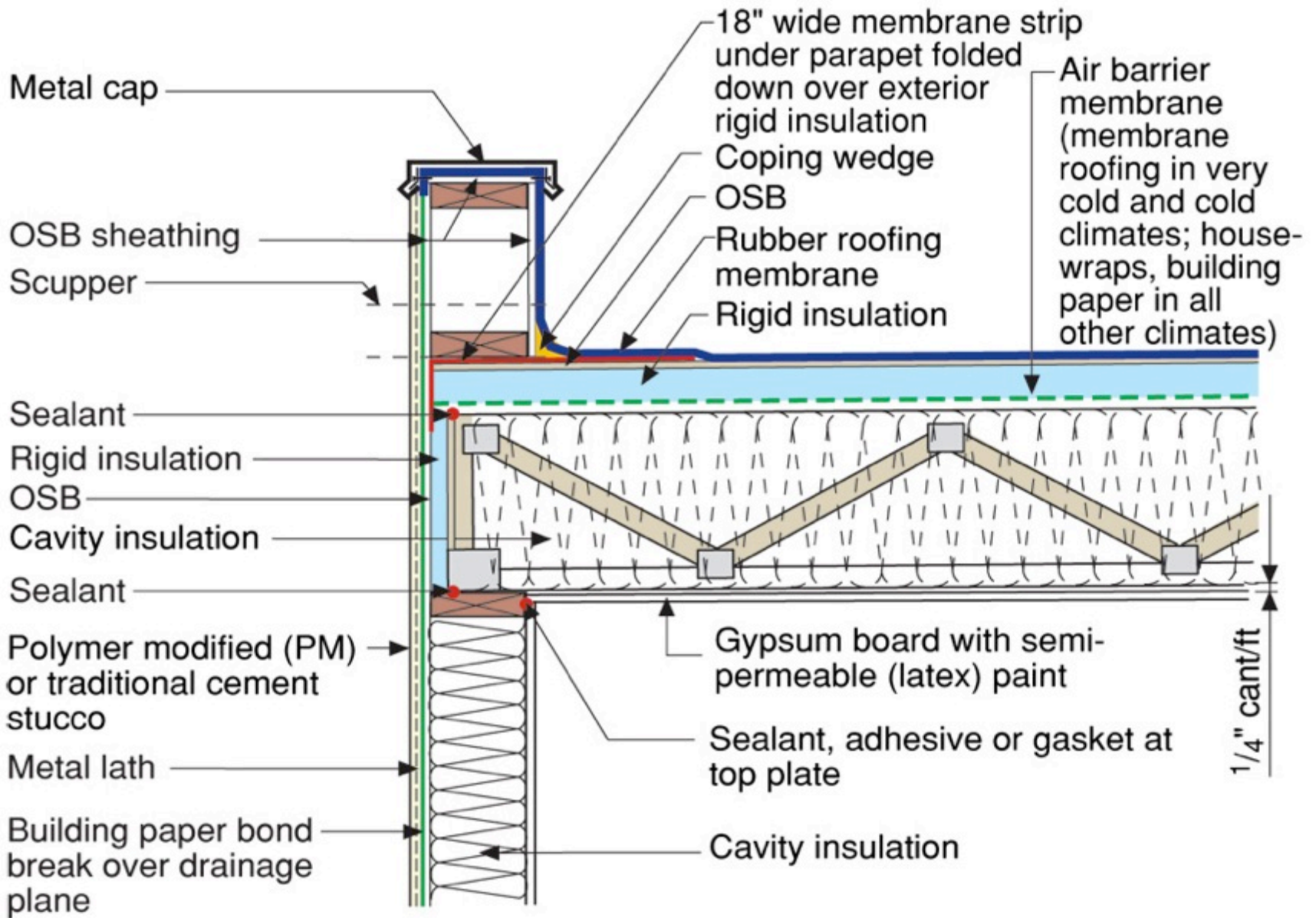


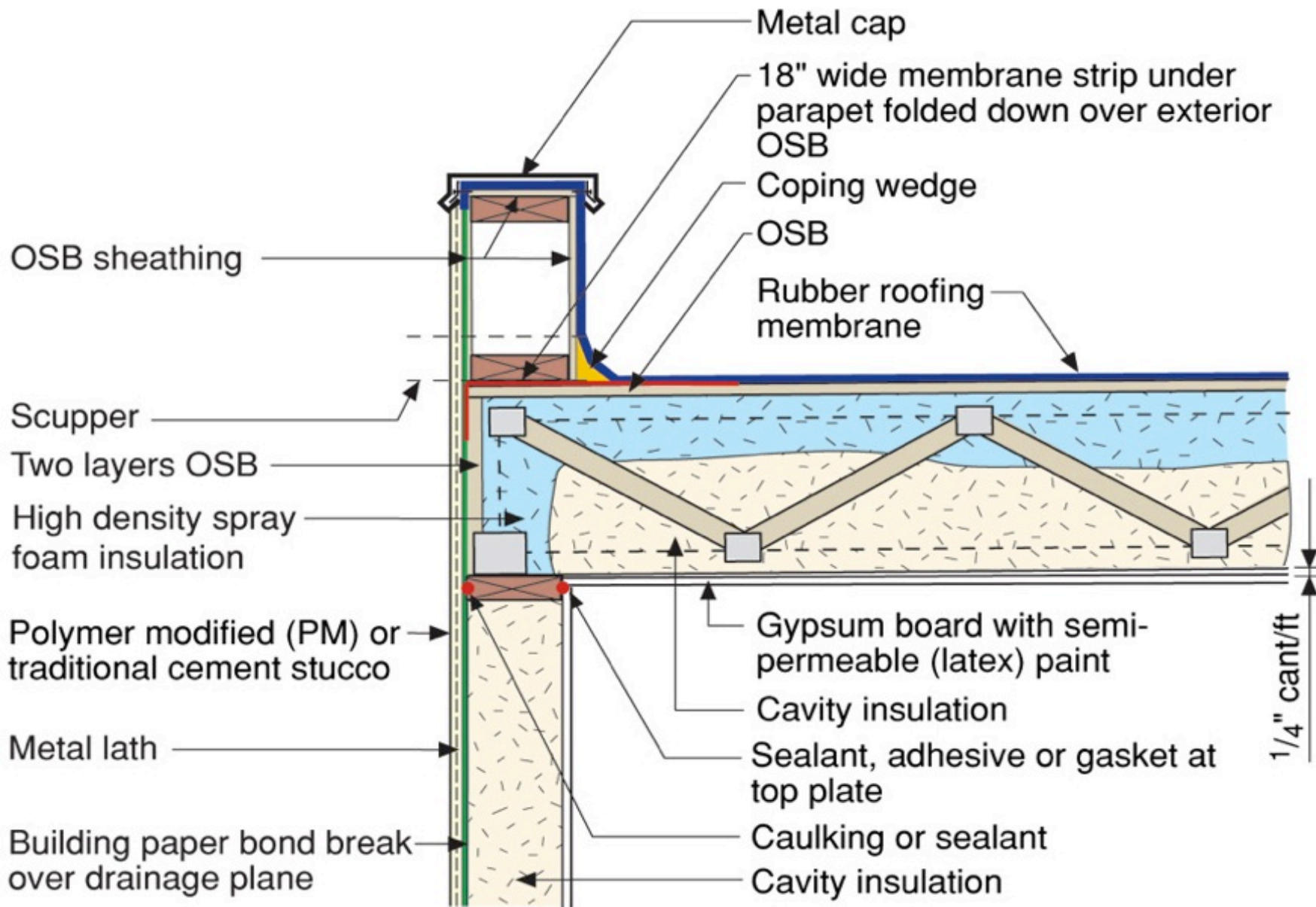


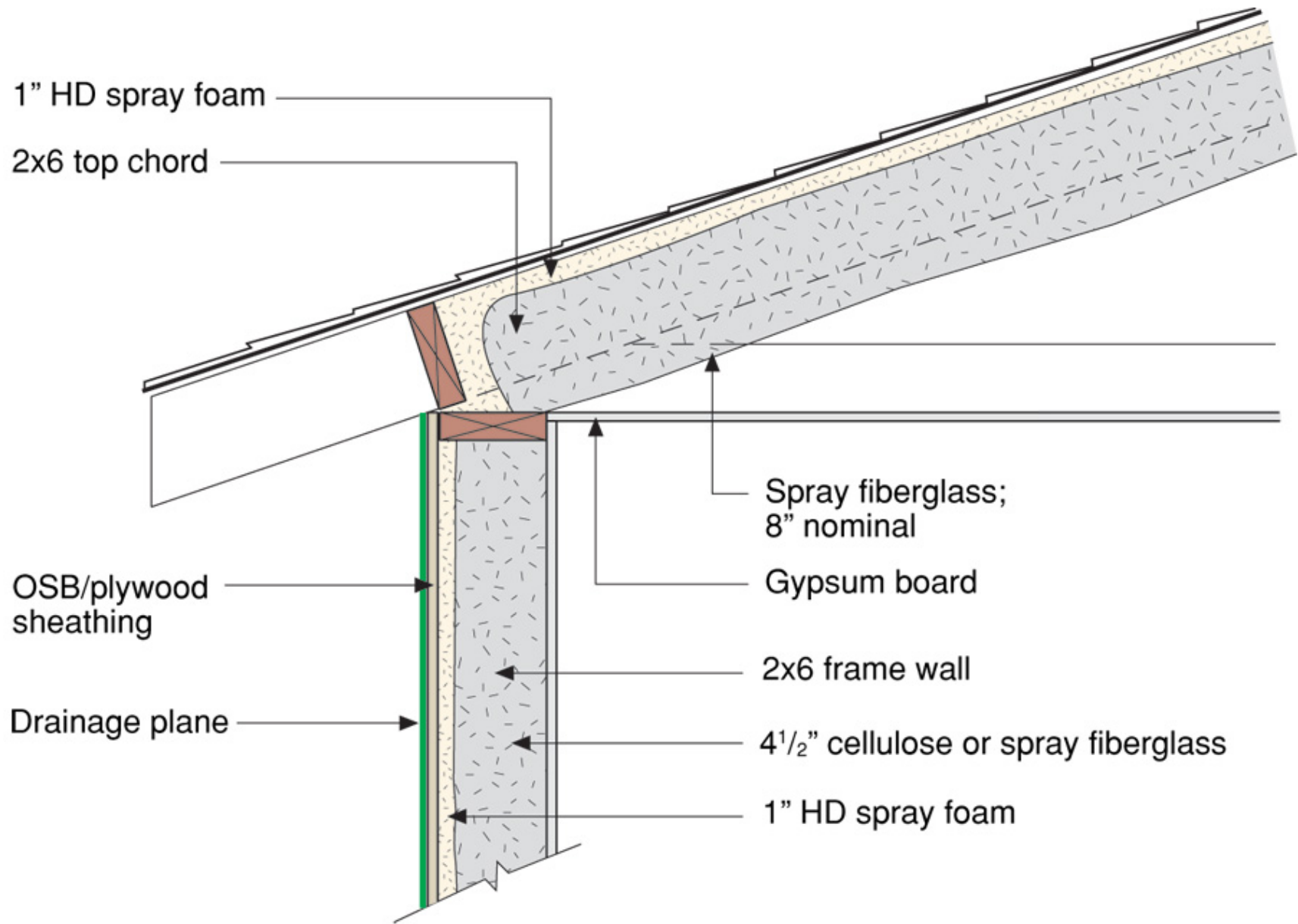


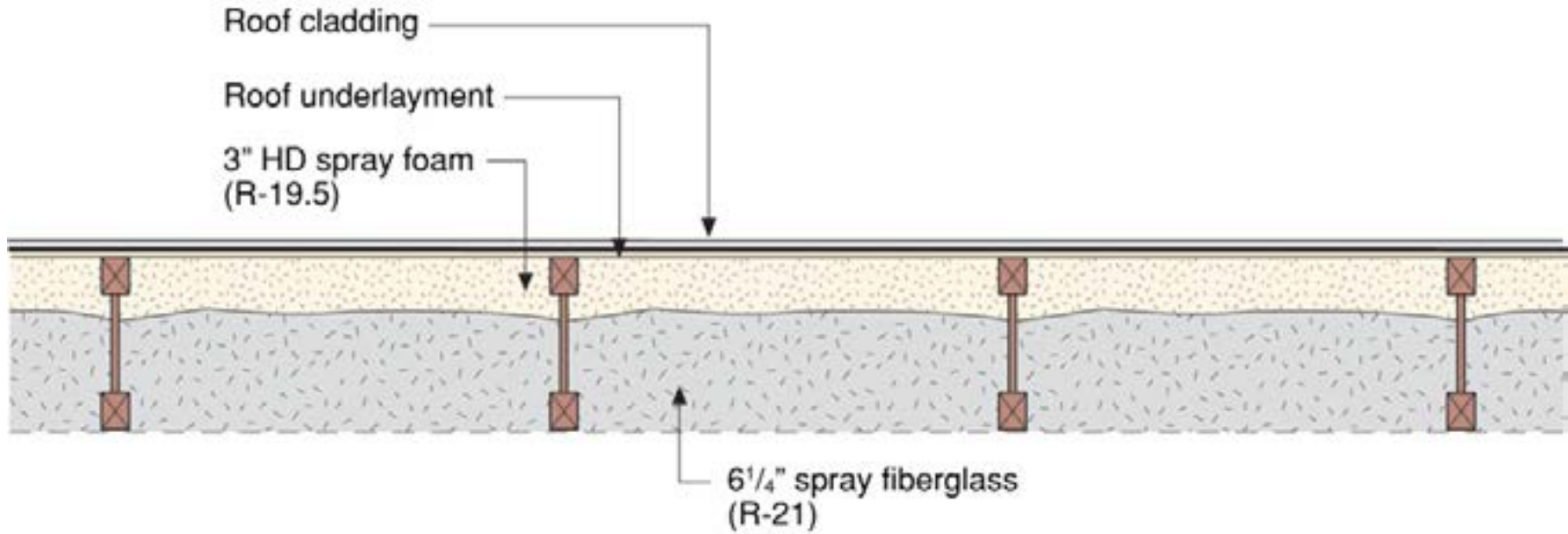


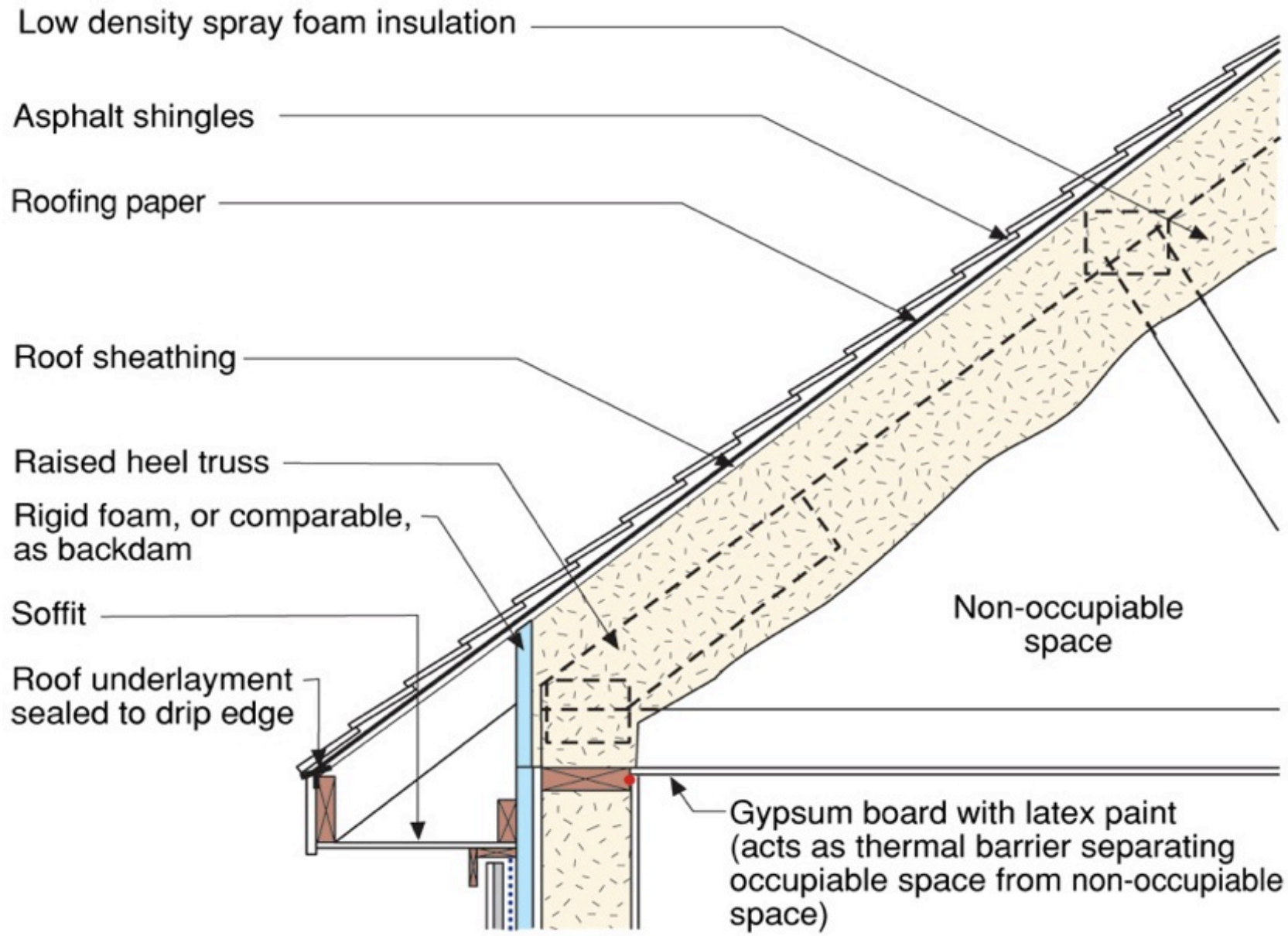






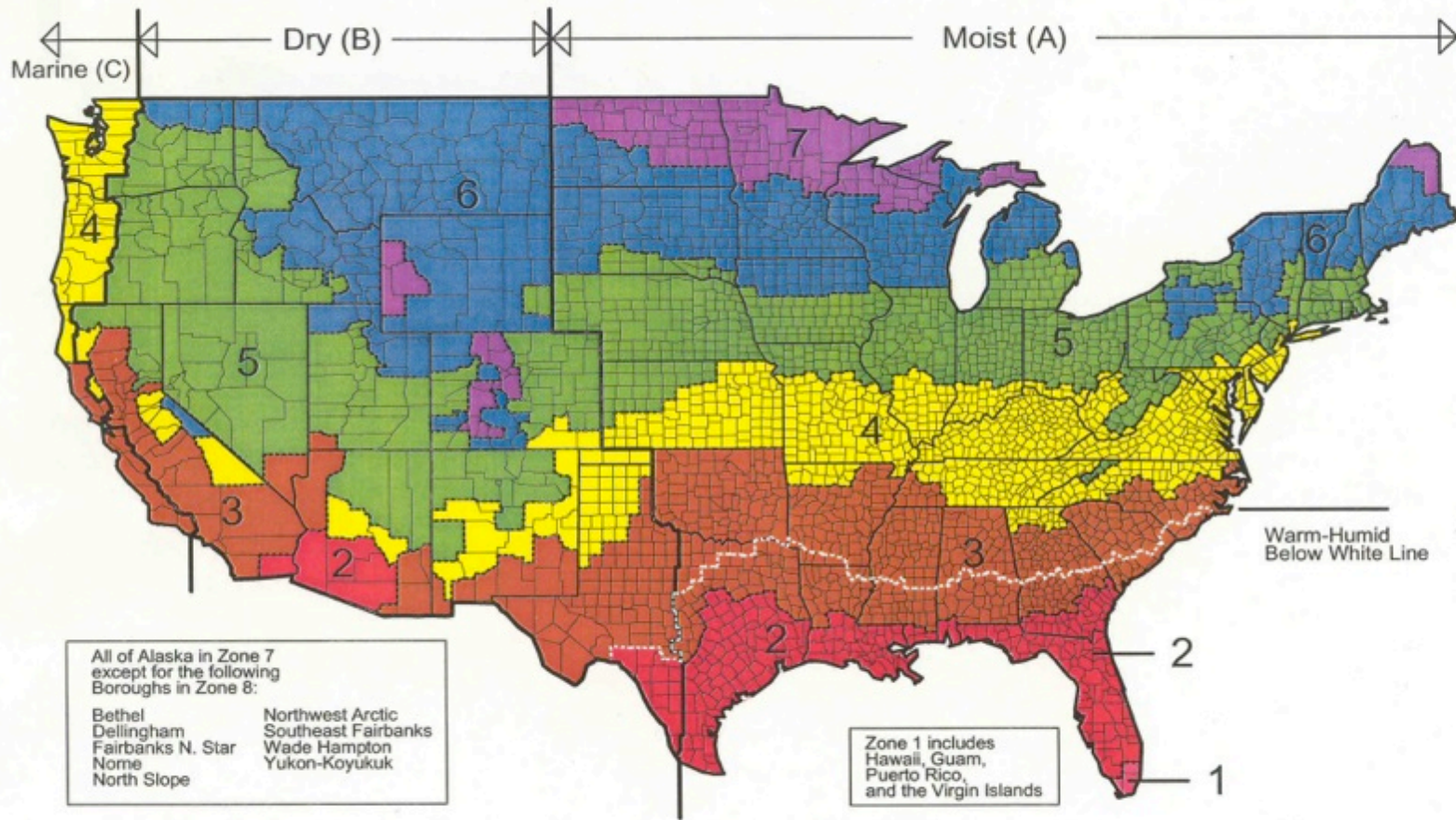








Map of DOE's Proposed Climate Zones



March 24, 2003







Conditioned Attics Not Unvented Attics

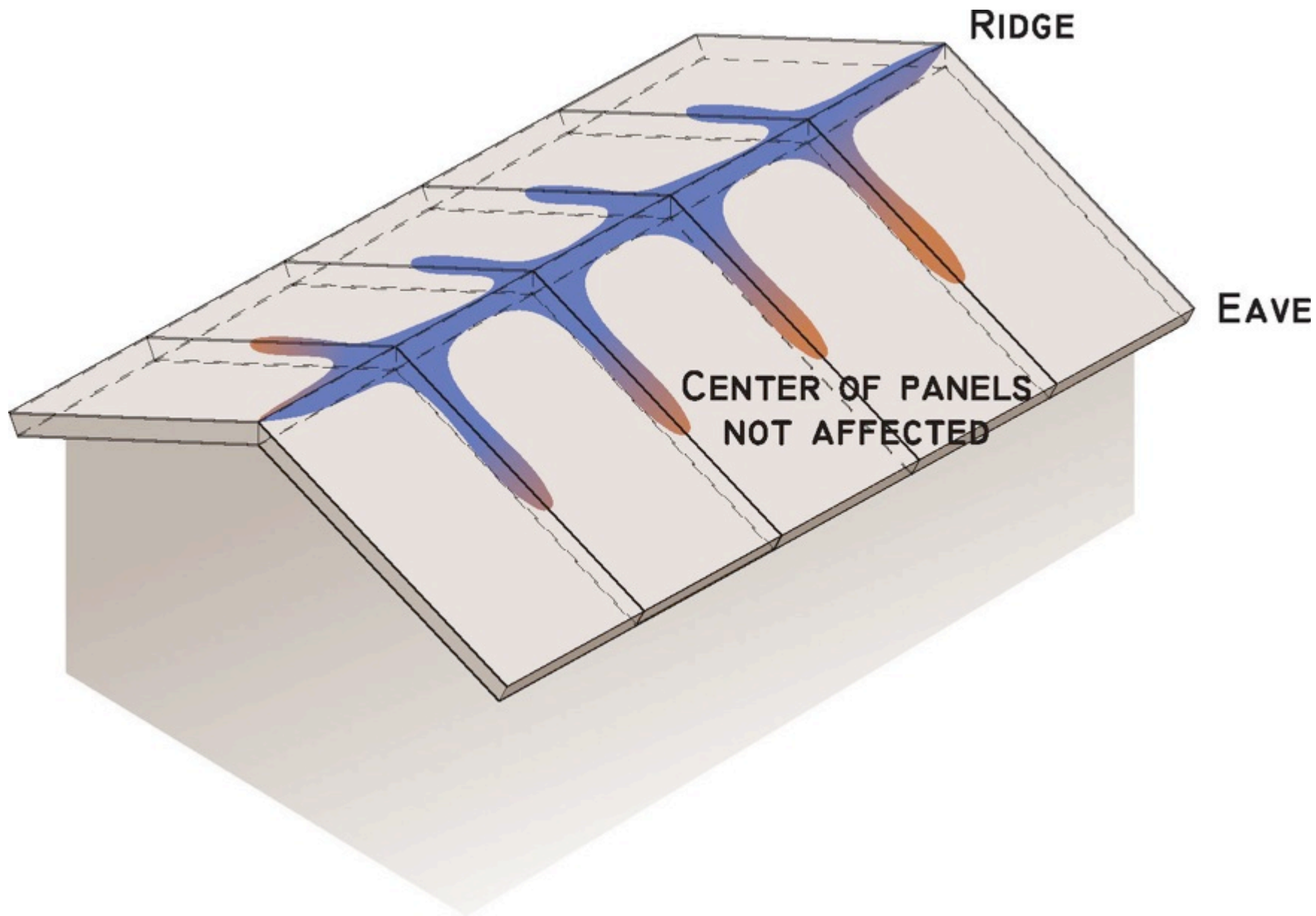














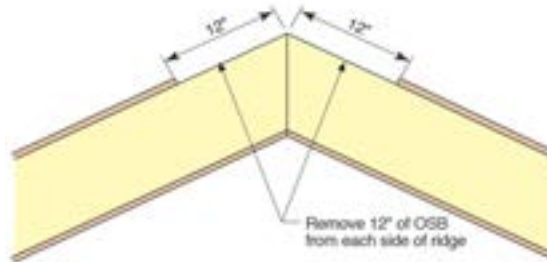






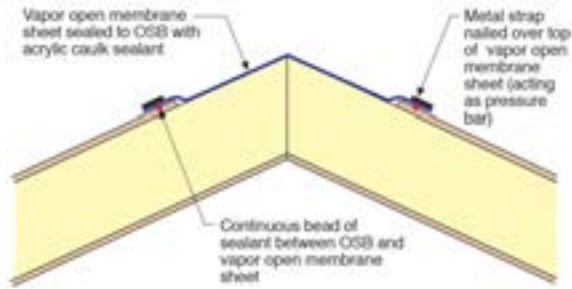
Step 1

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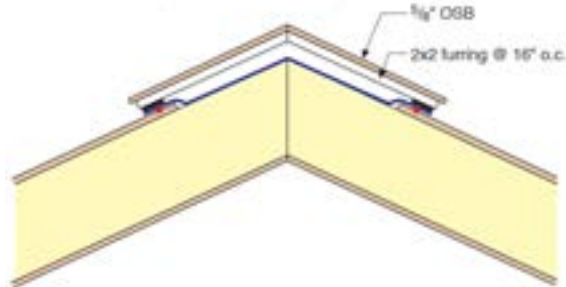
Step 2

- Create air seal with strip of vapor open membrane (tape seams)
- Vapor open membrane sheet sealed to OSB with acrylic caulk sealant
- Hold vapor open membrane sheet in place with metal strapping



Step 3

- Construct wood ridge vent with 2x2 furring









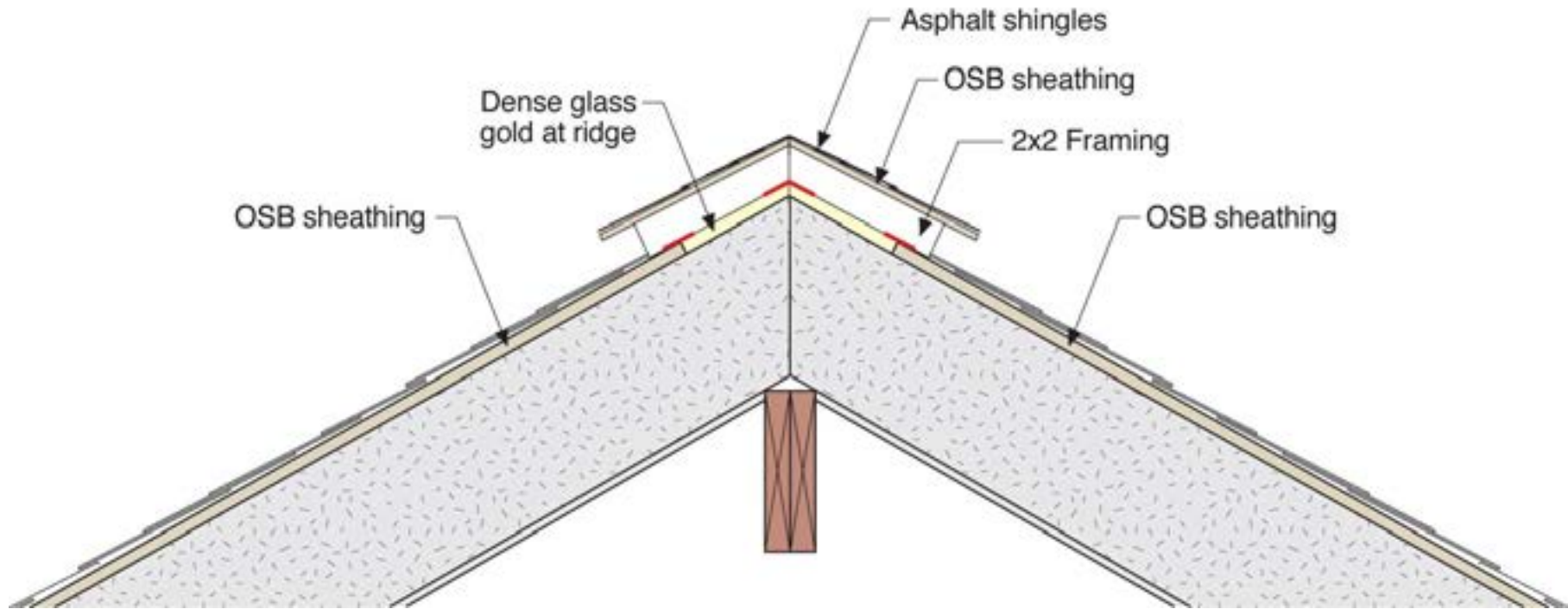


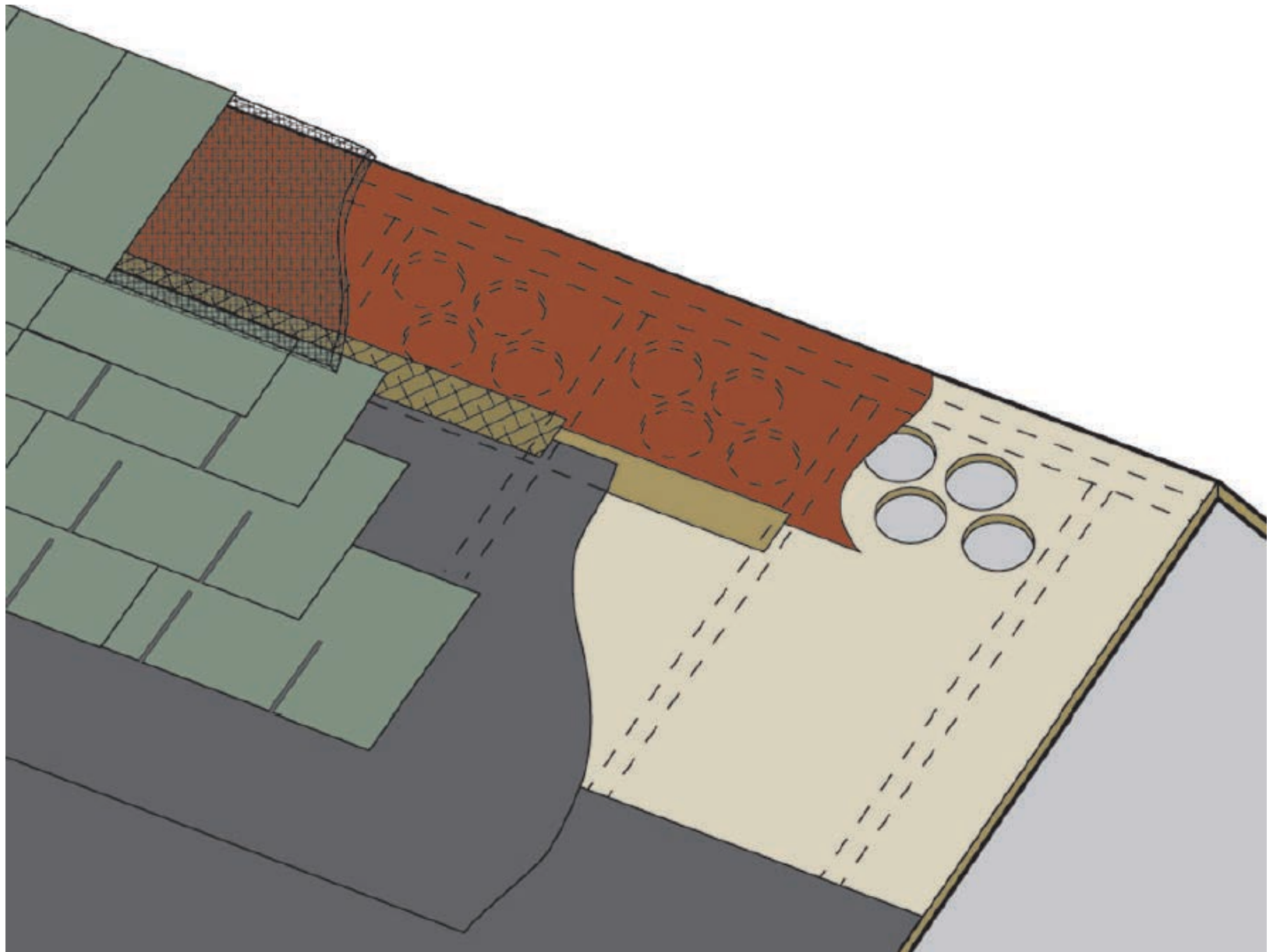


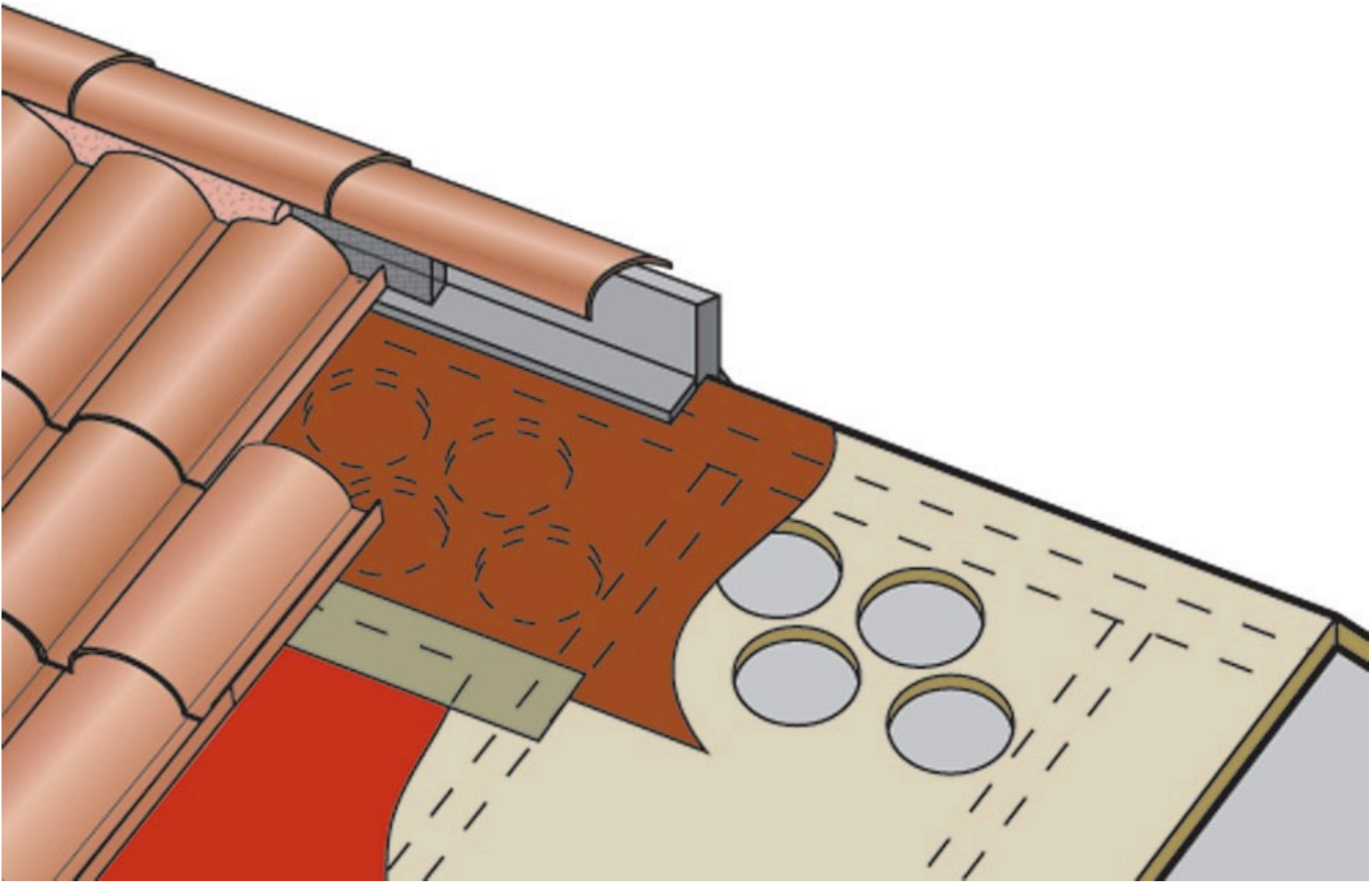


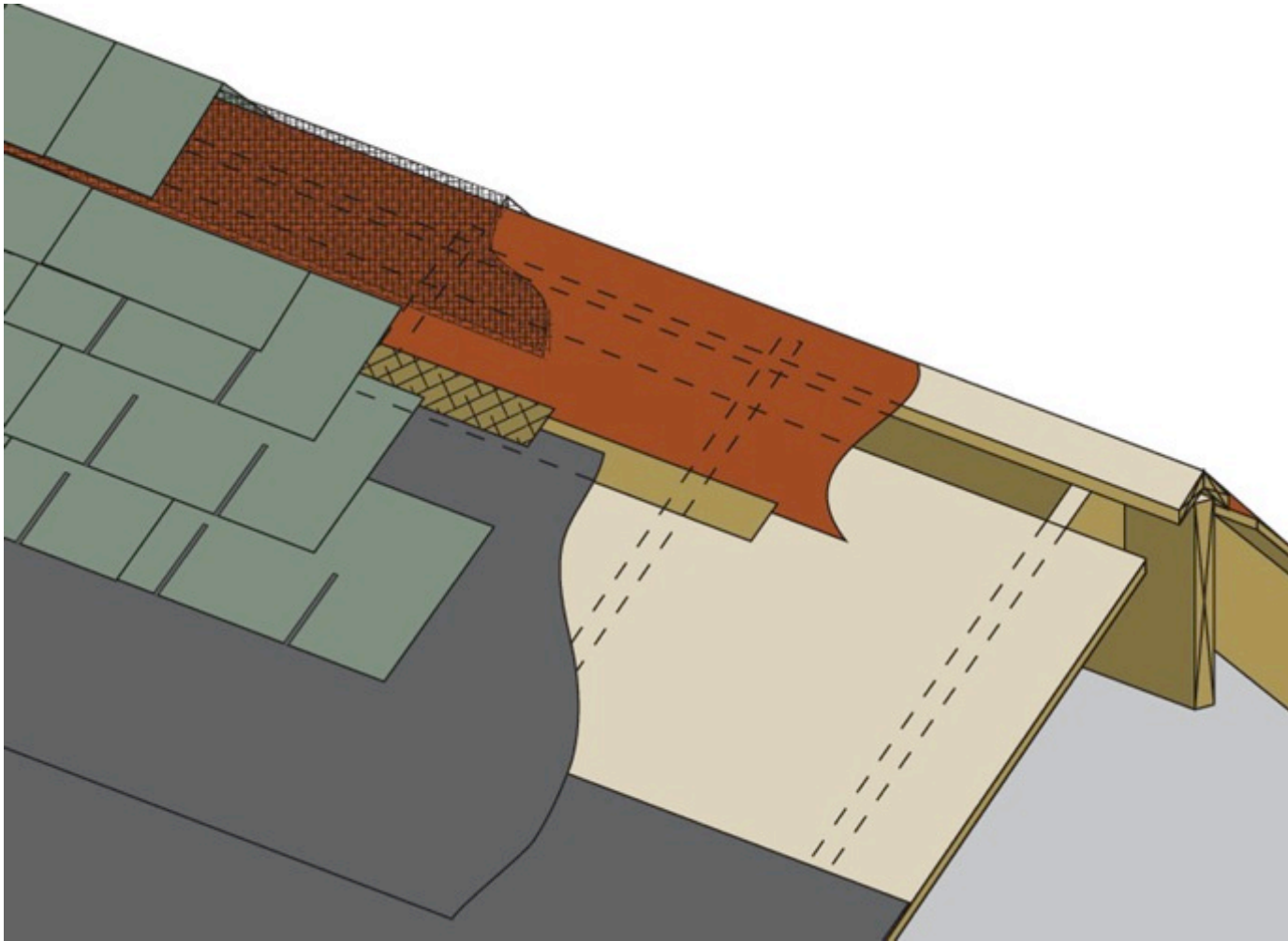


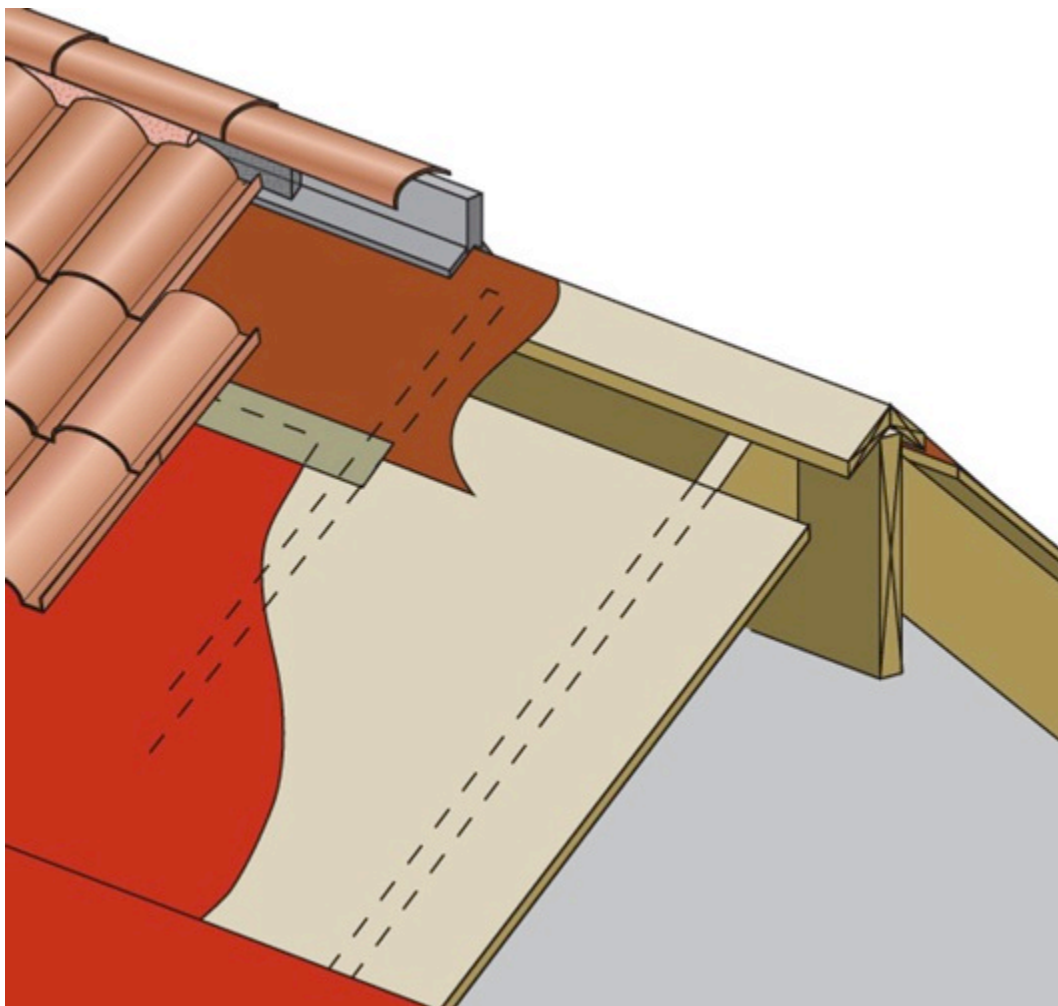










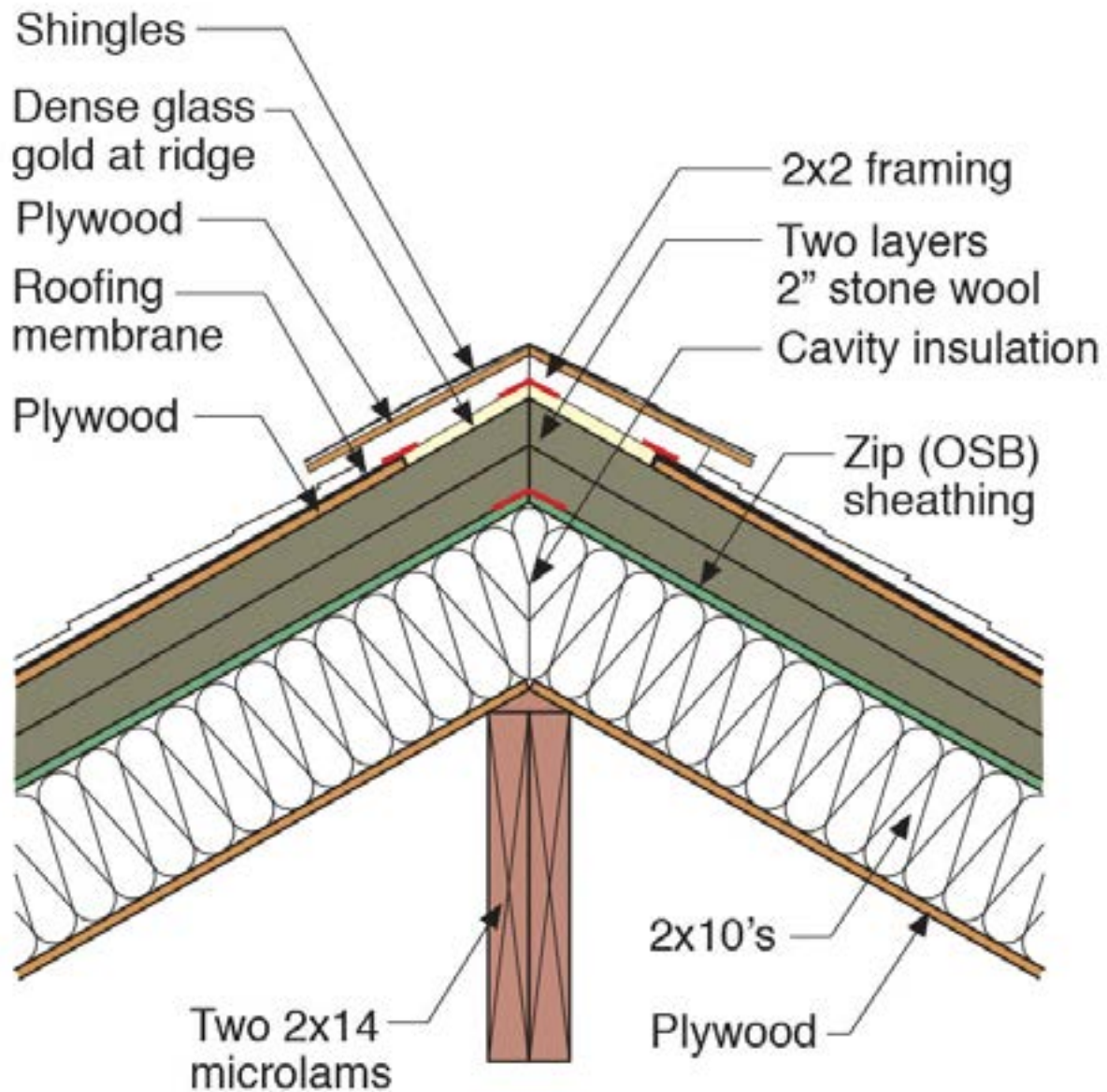




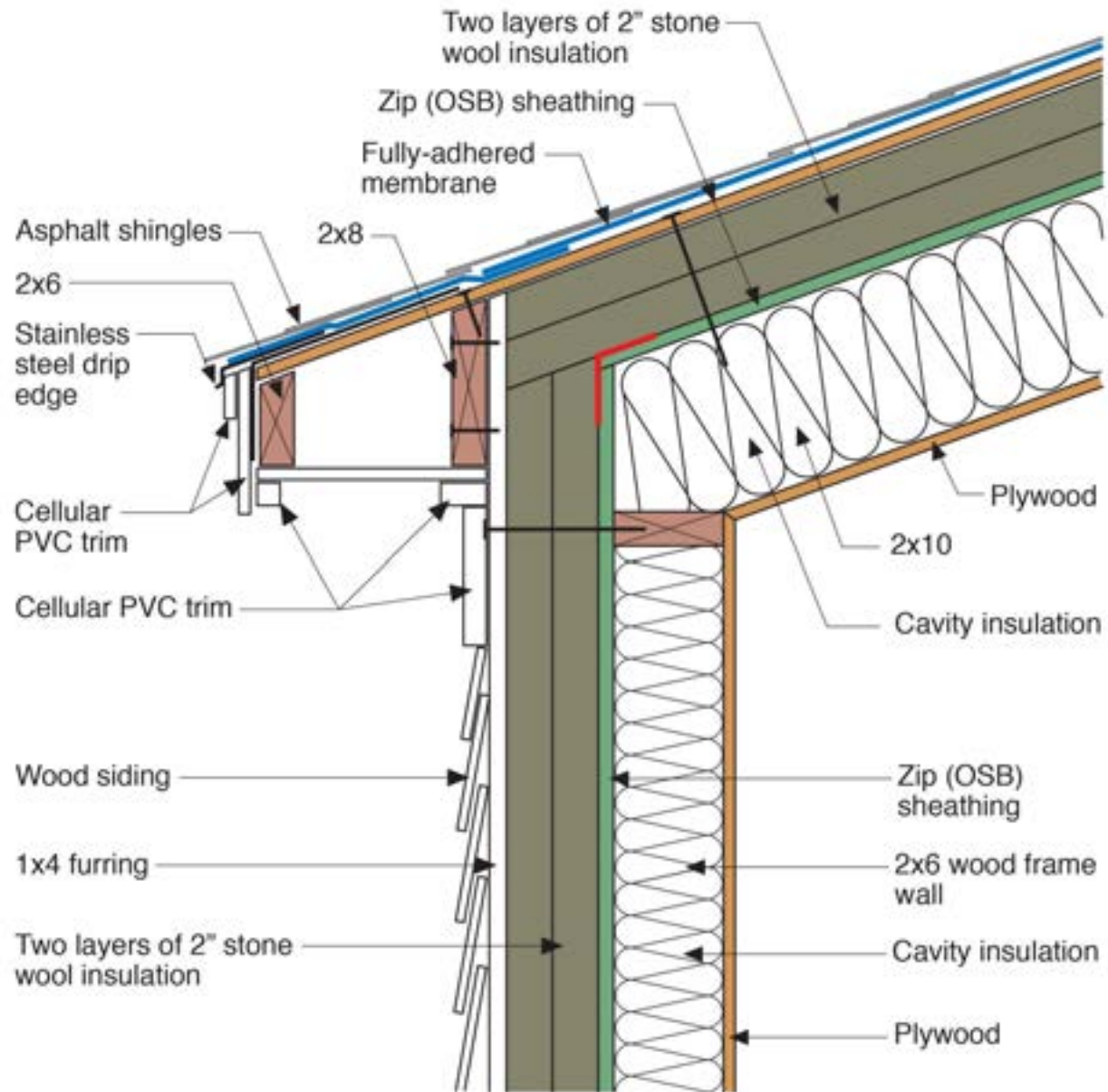


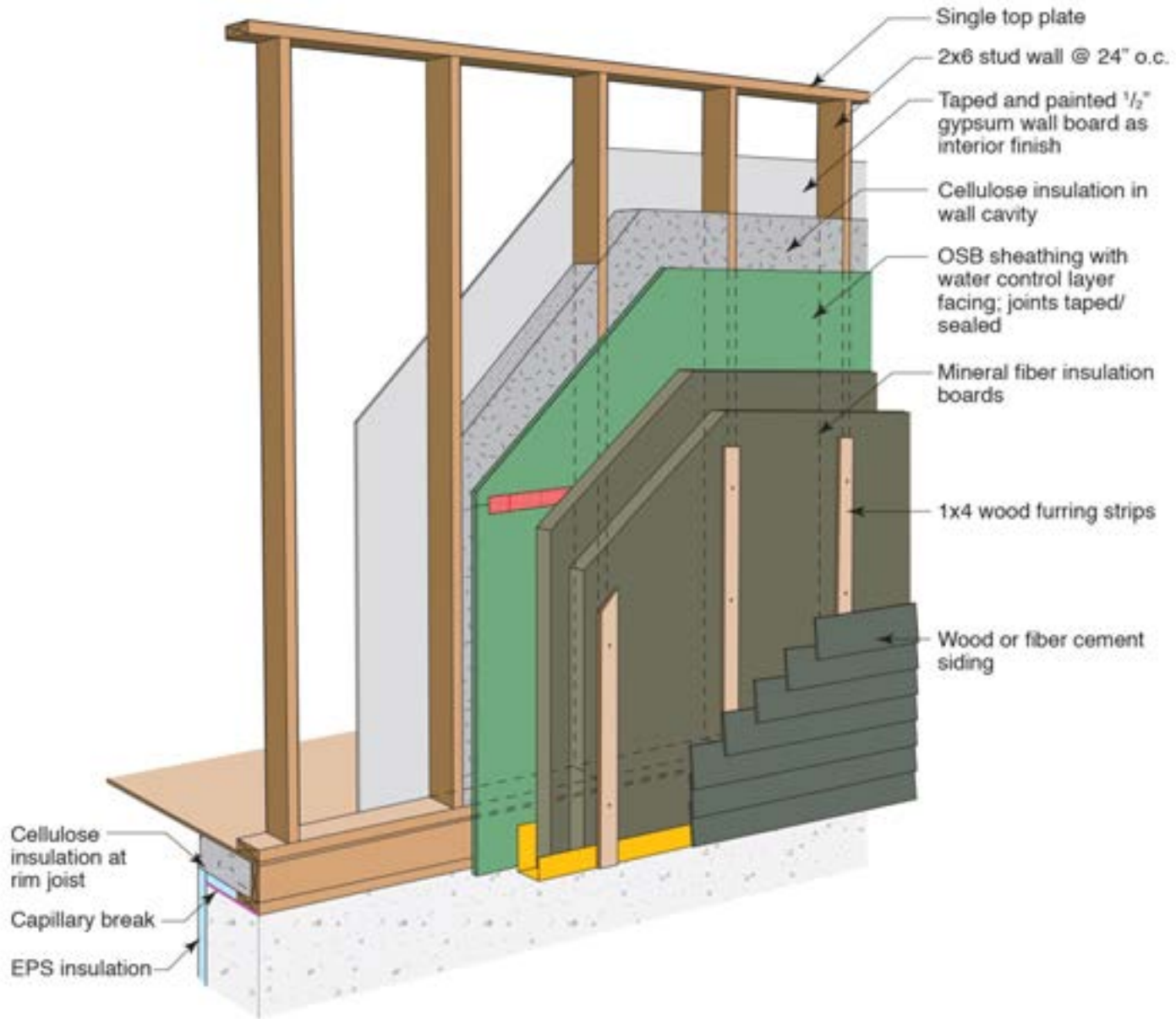


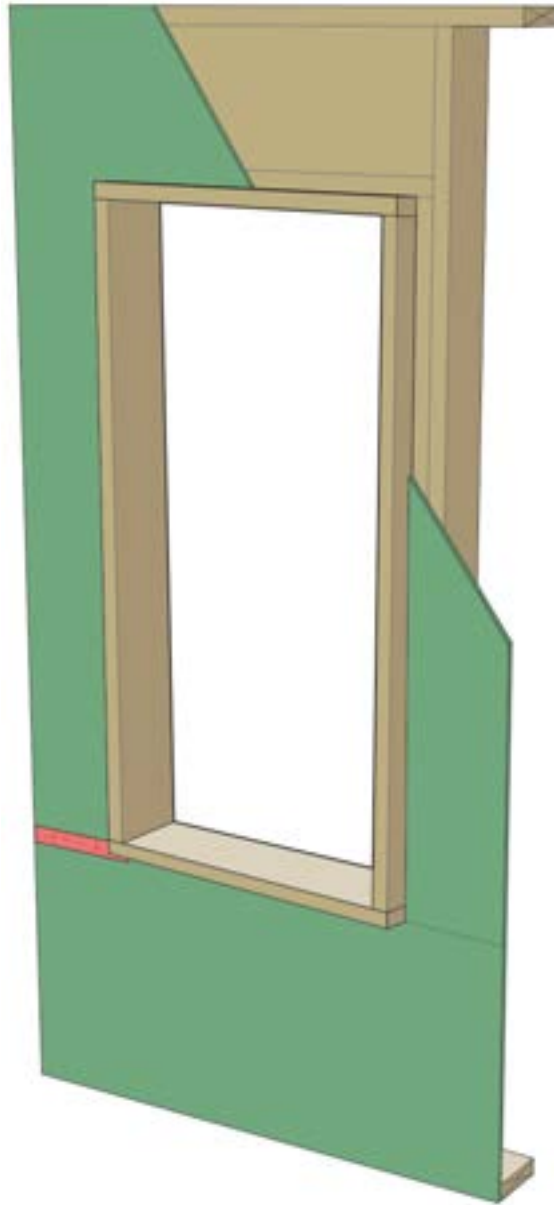


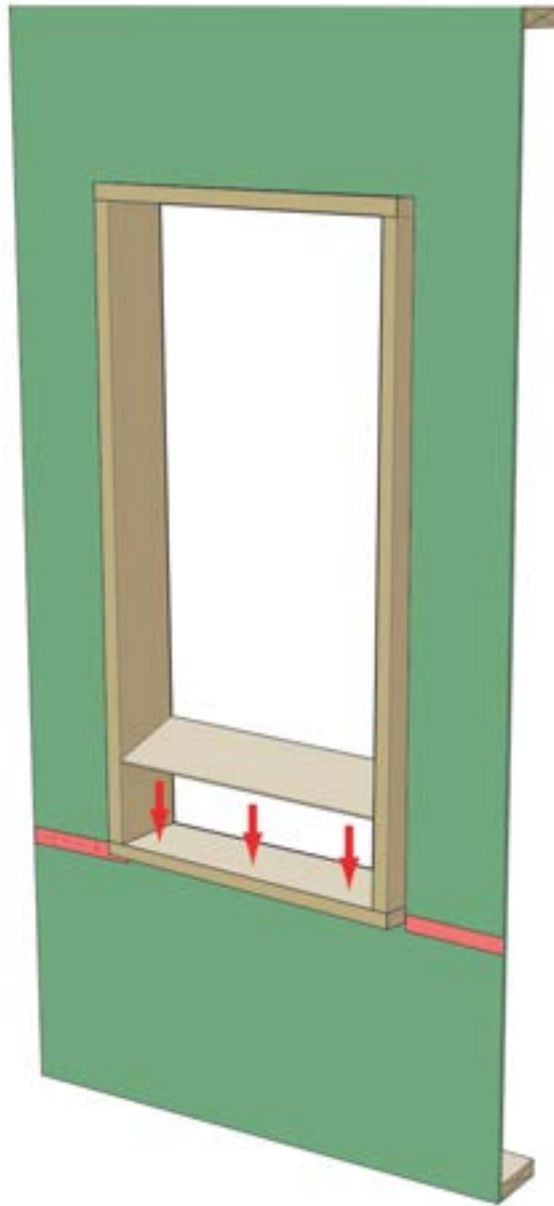


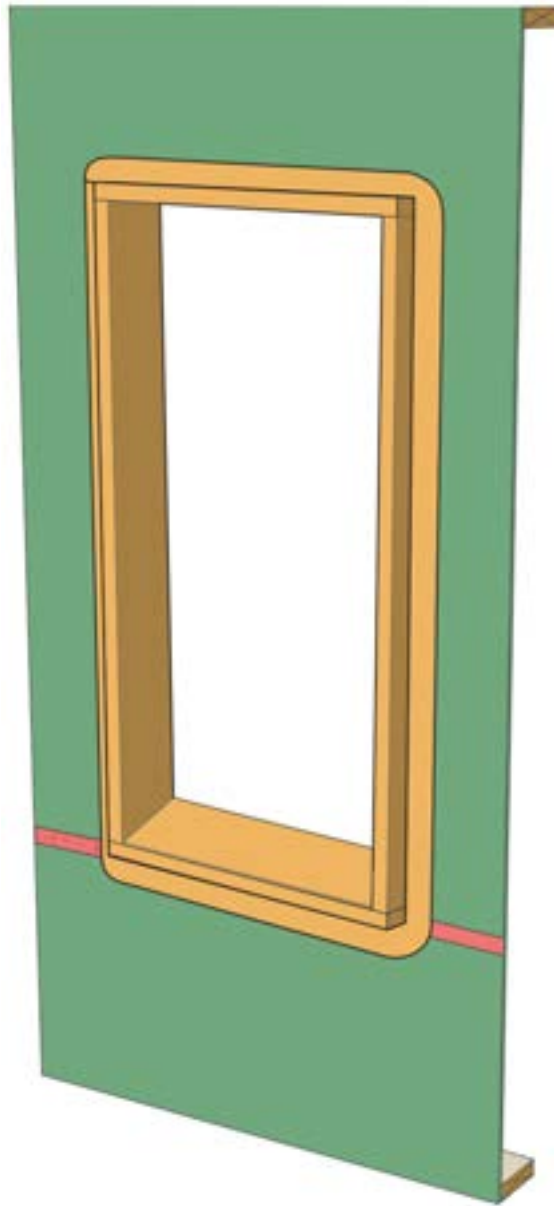


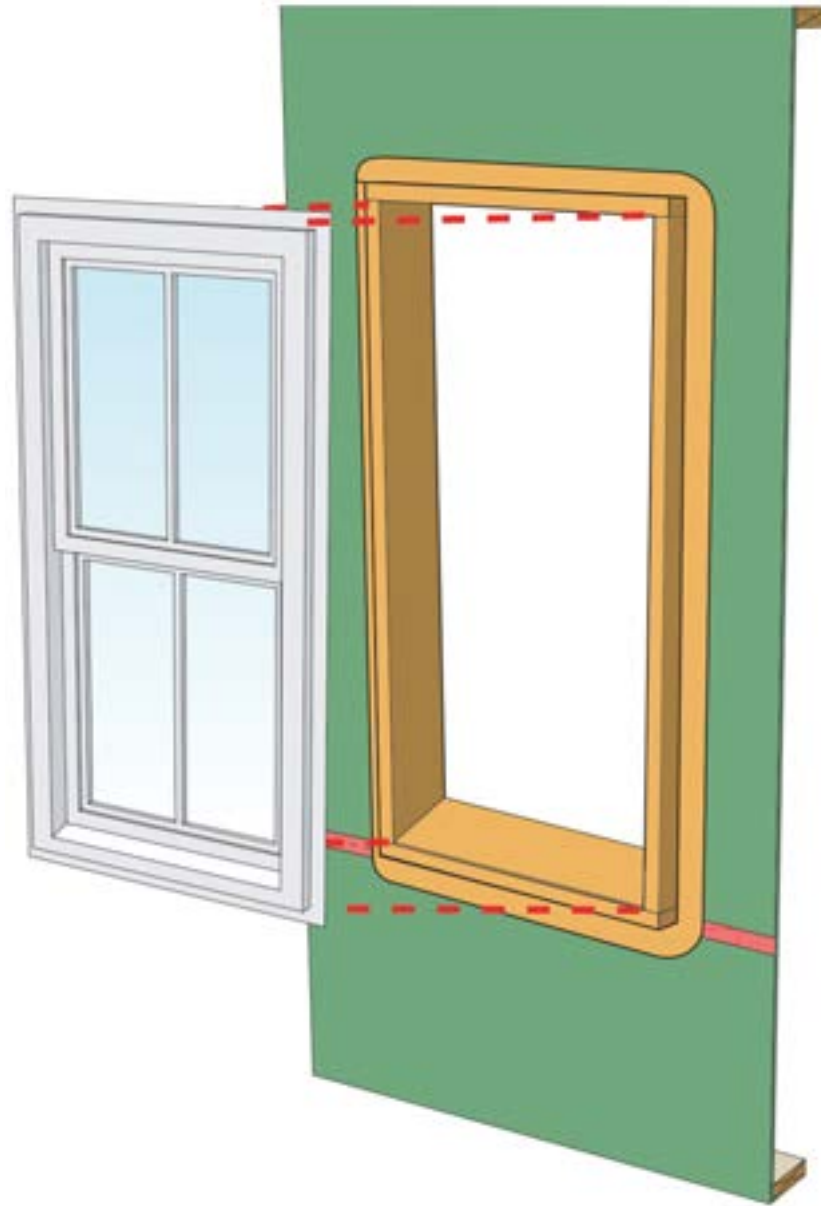






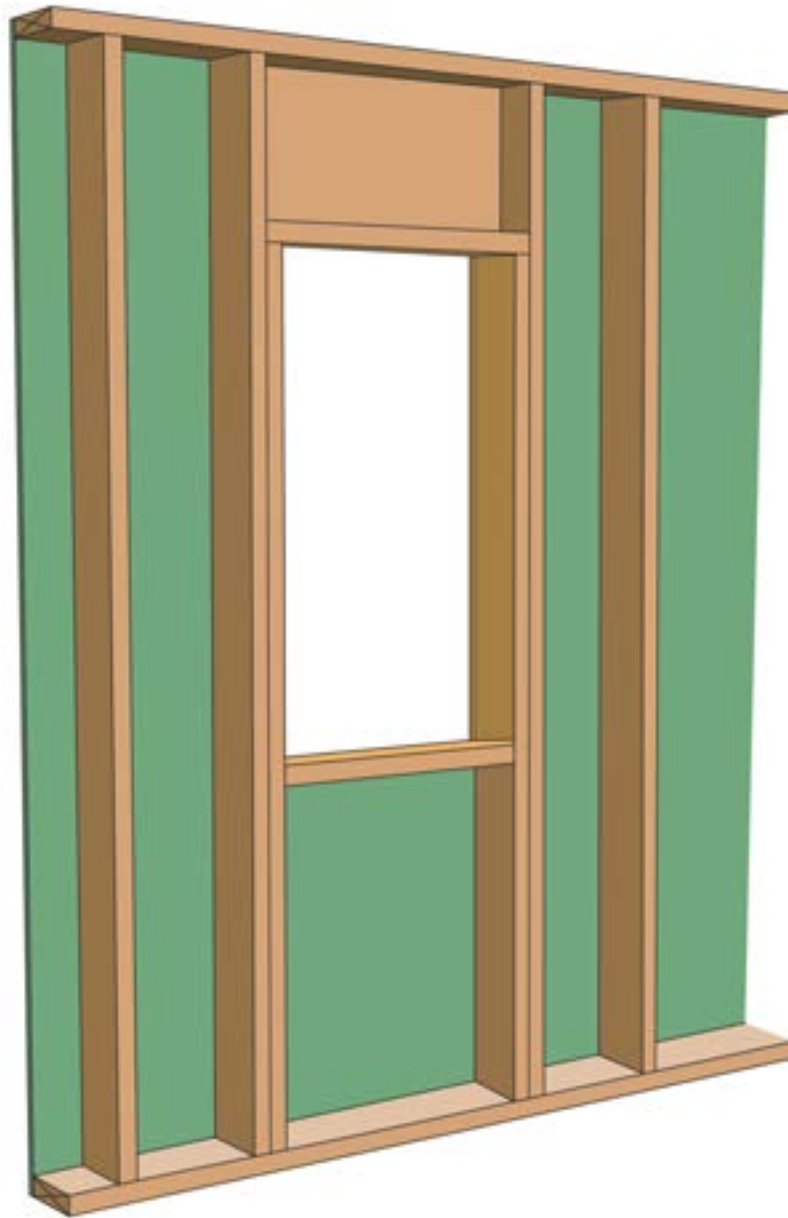








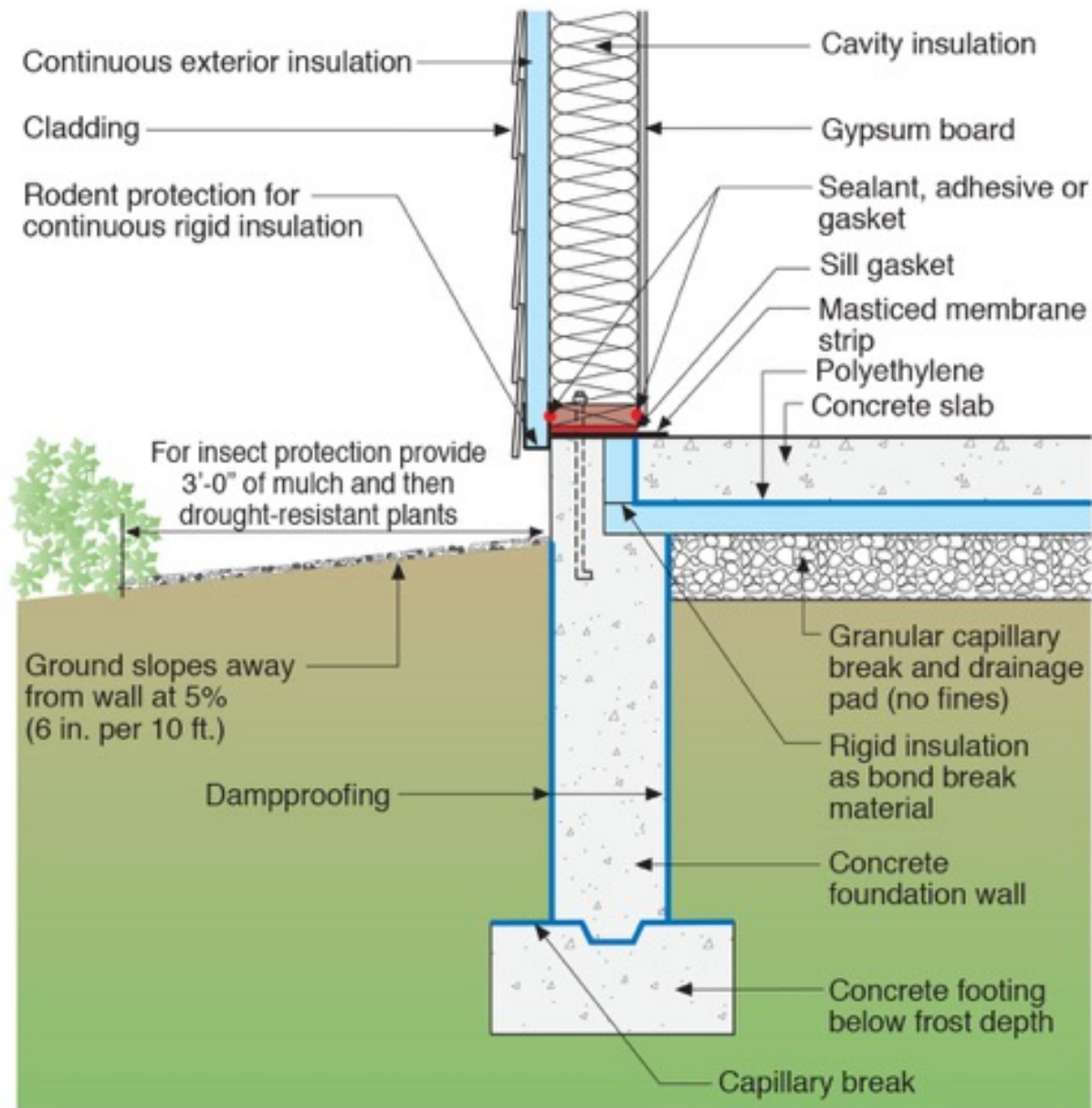


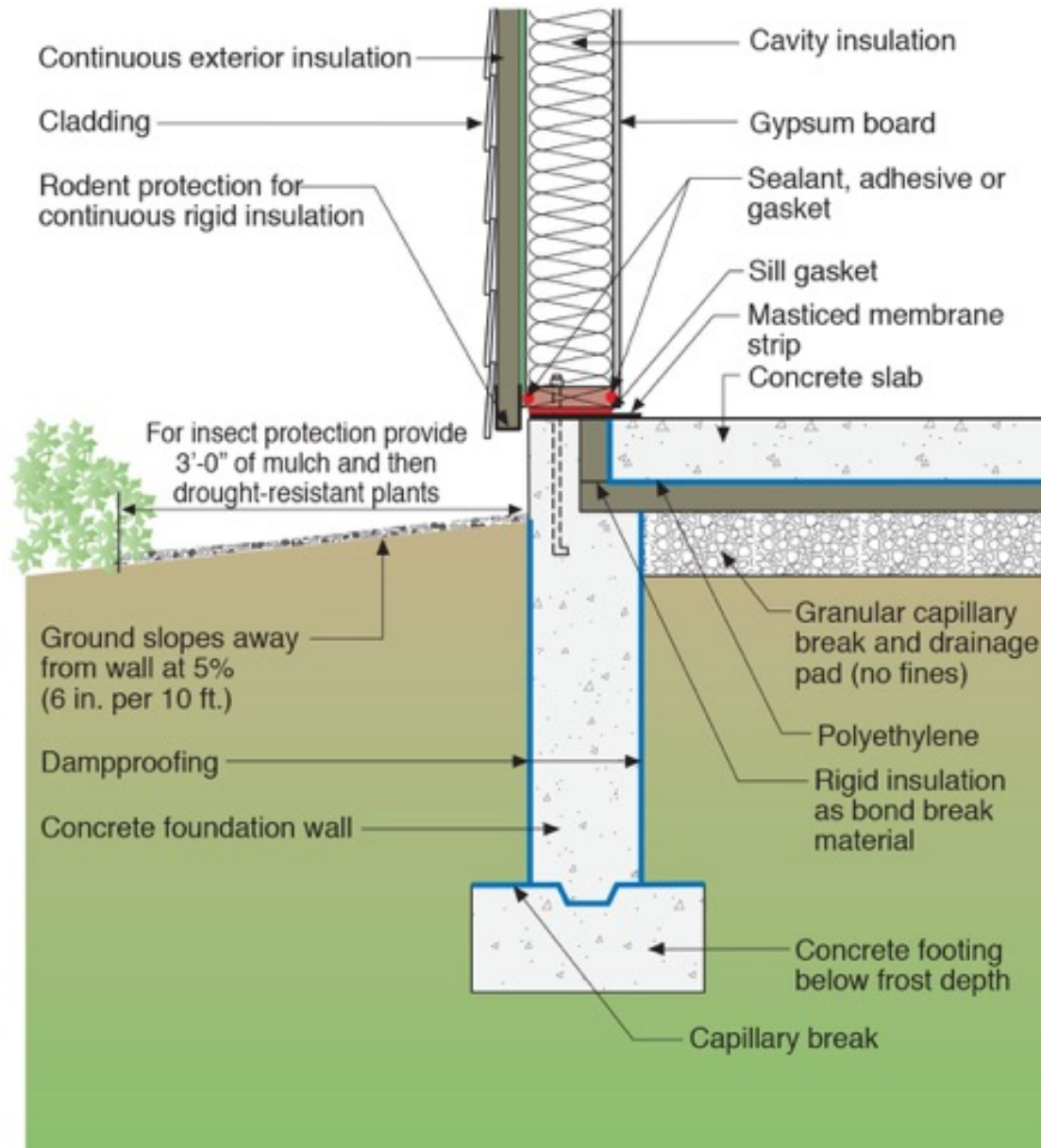


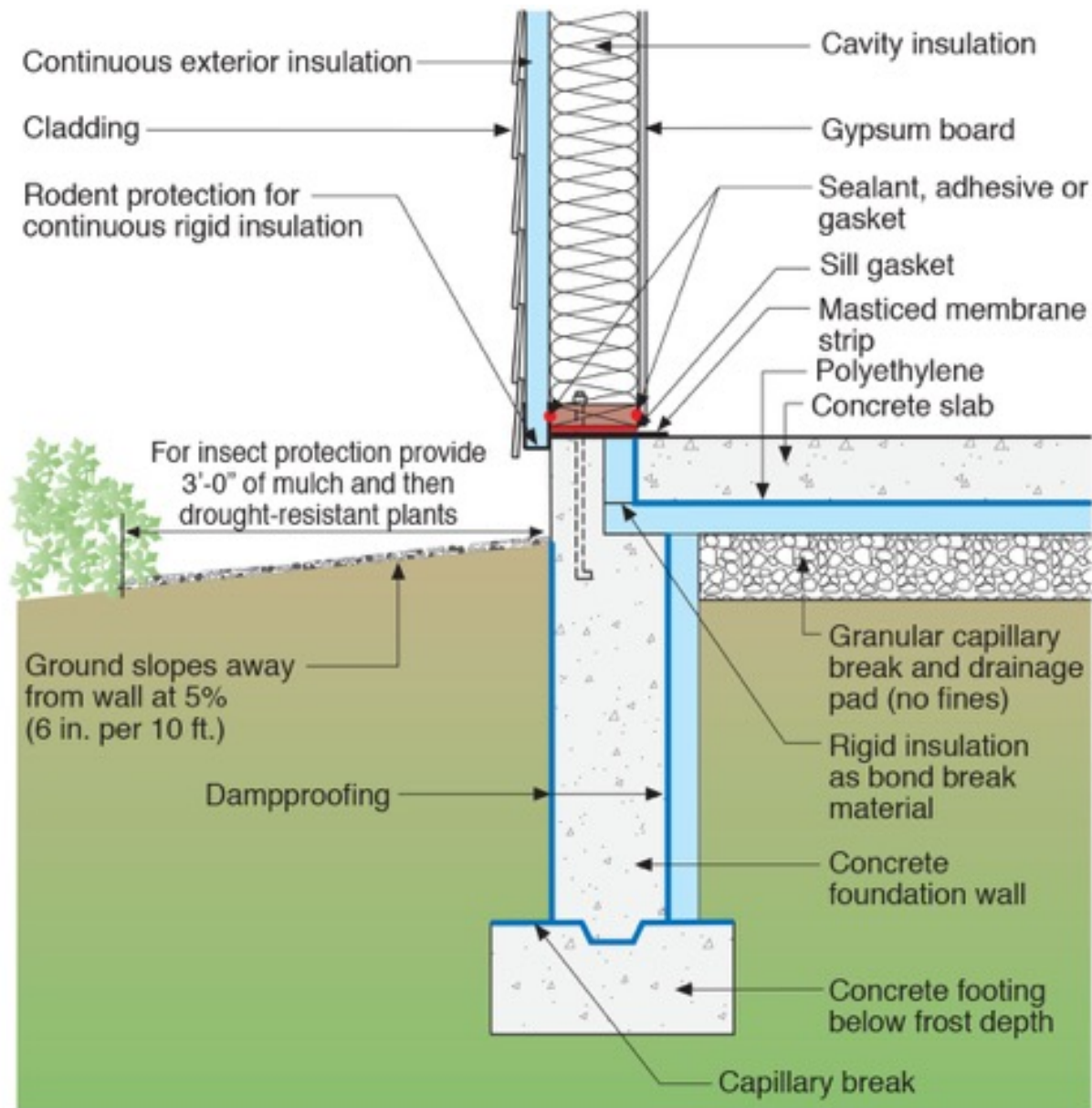


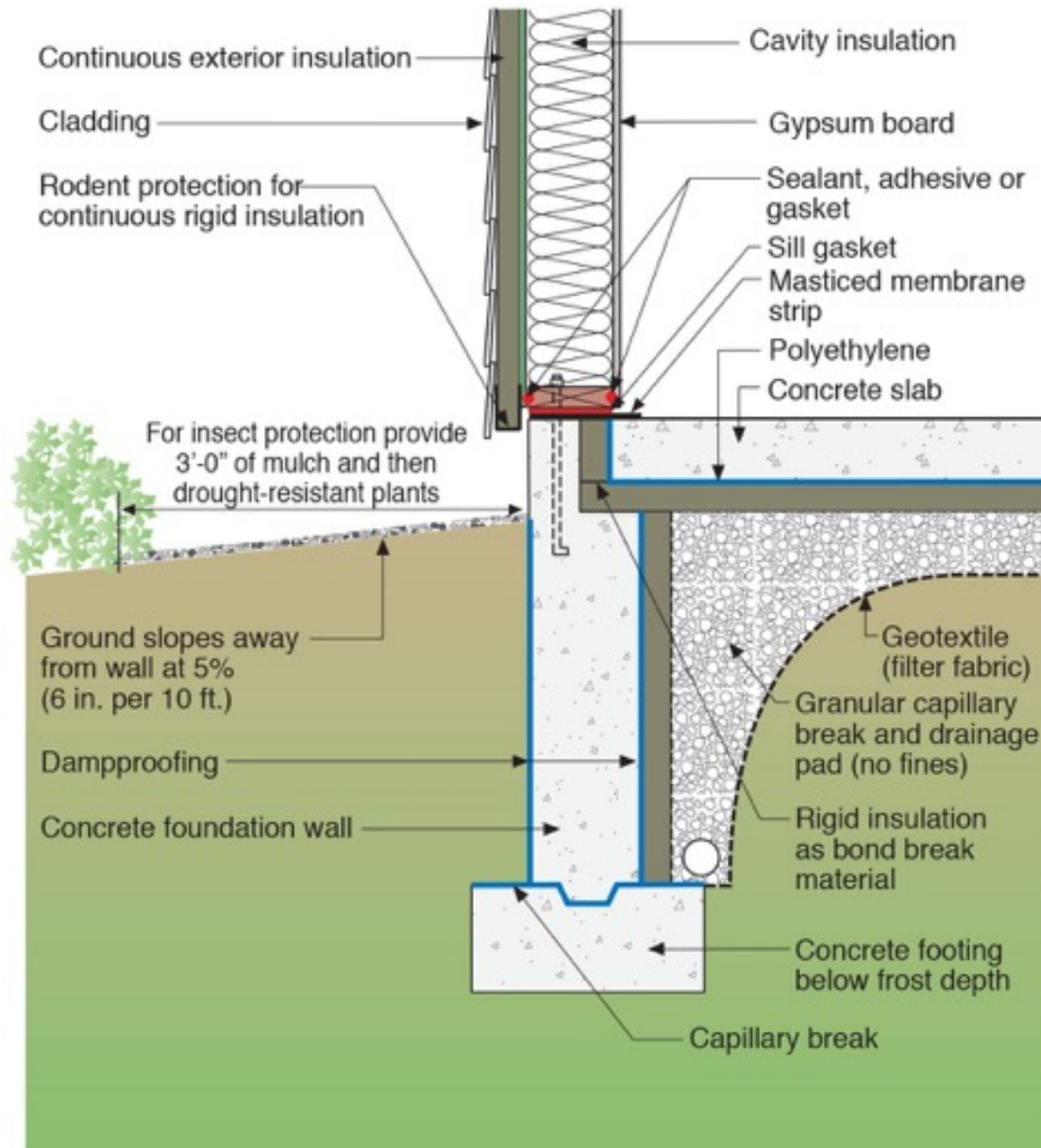


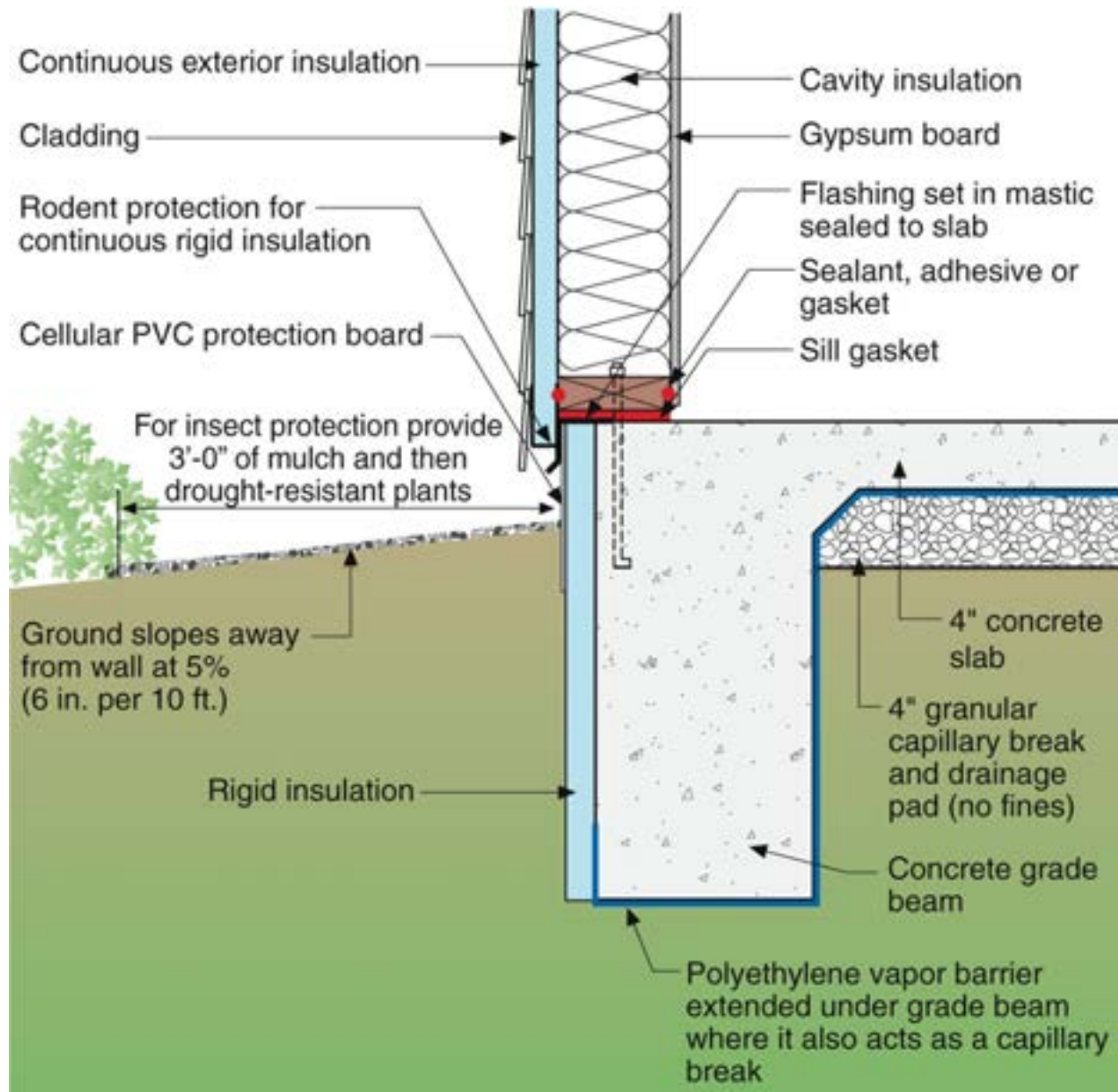


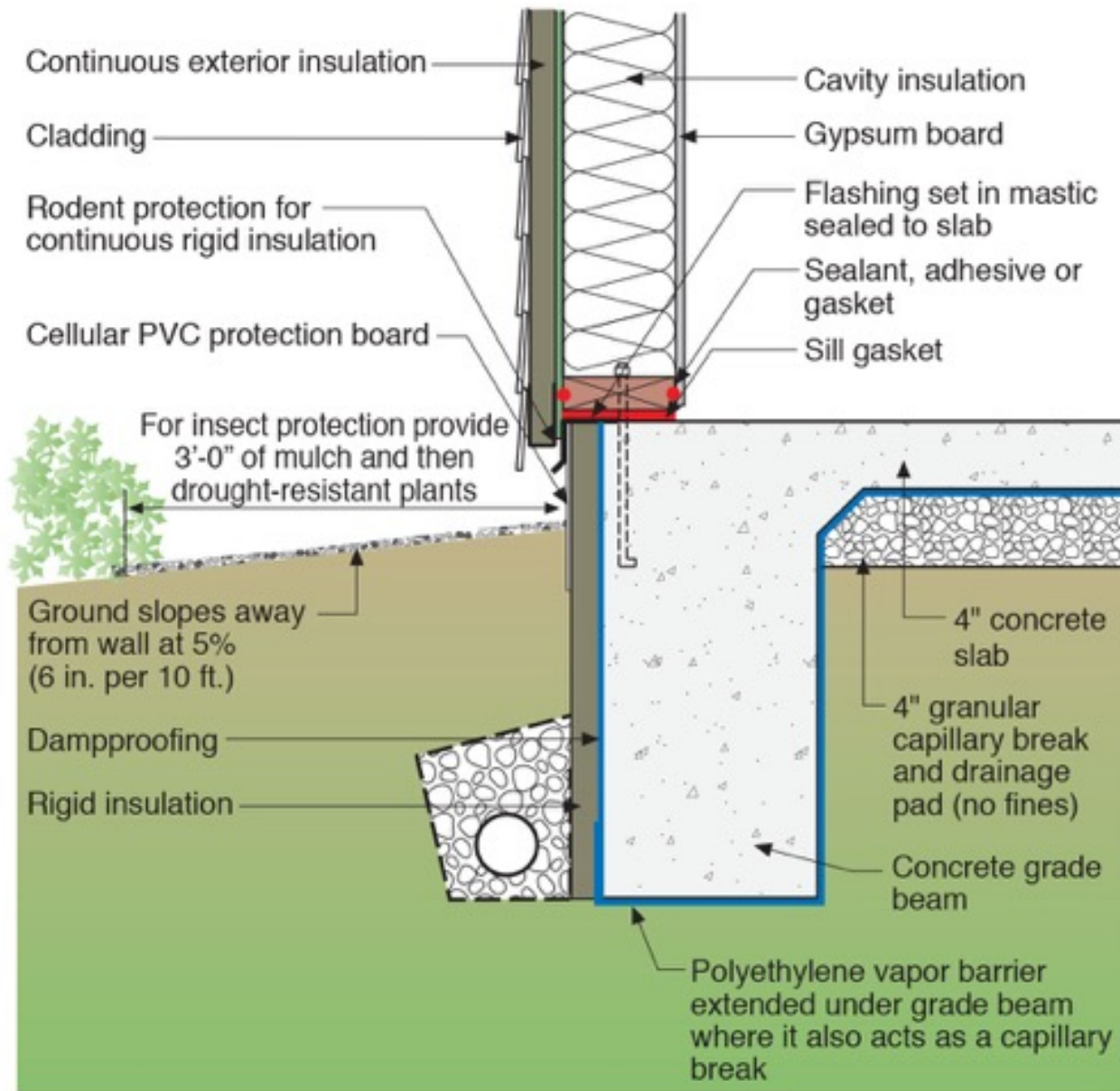


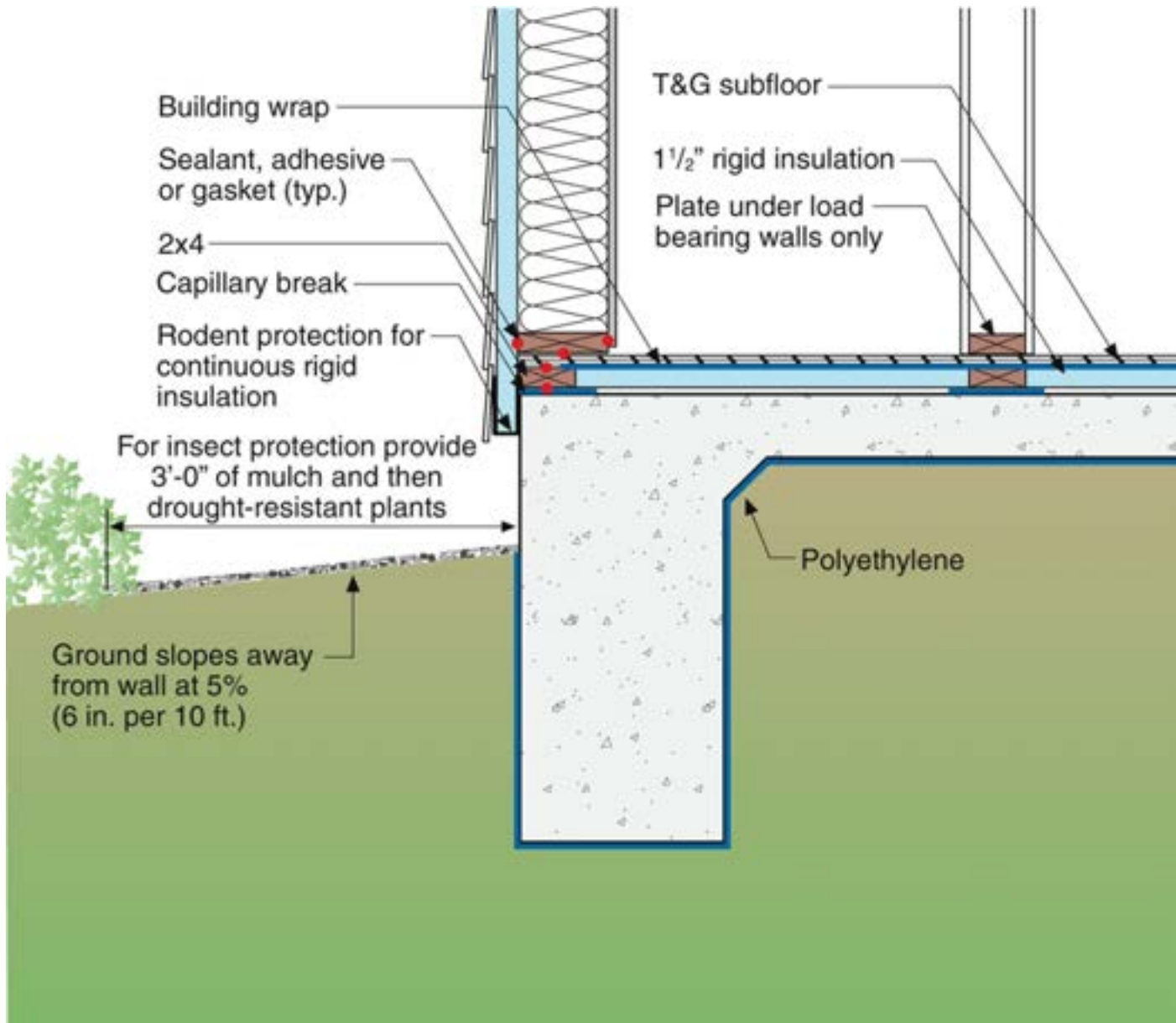


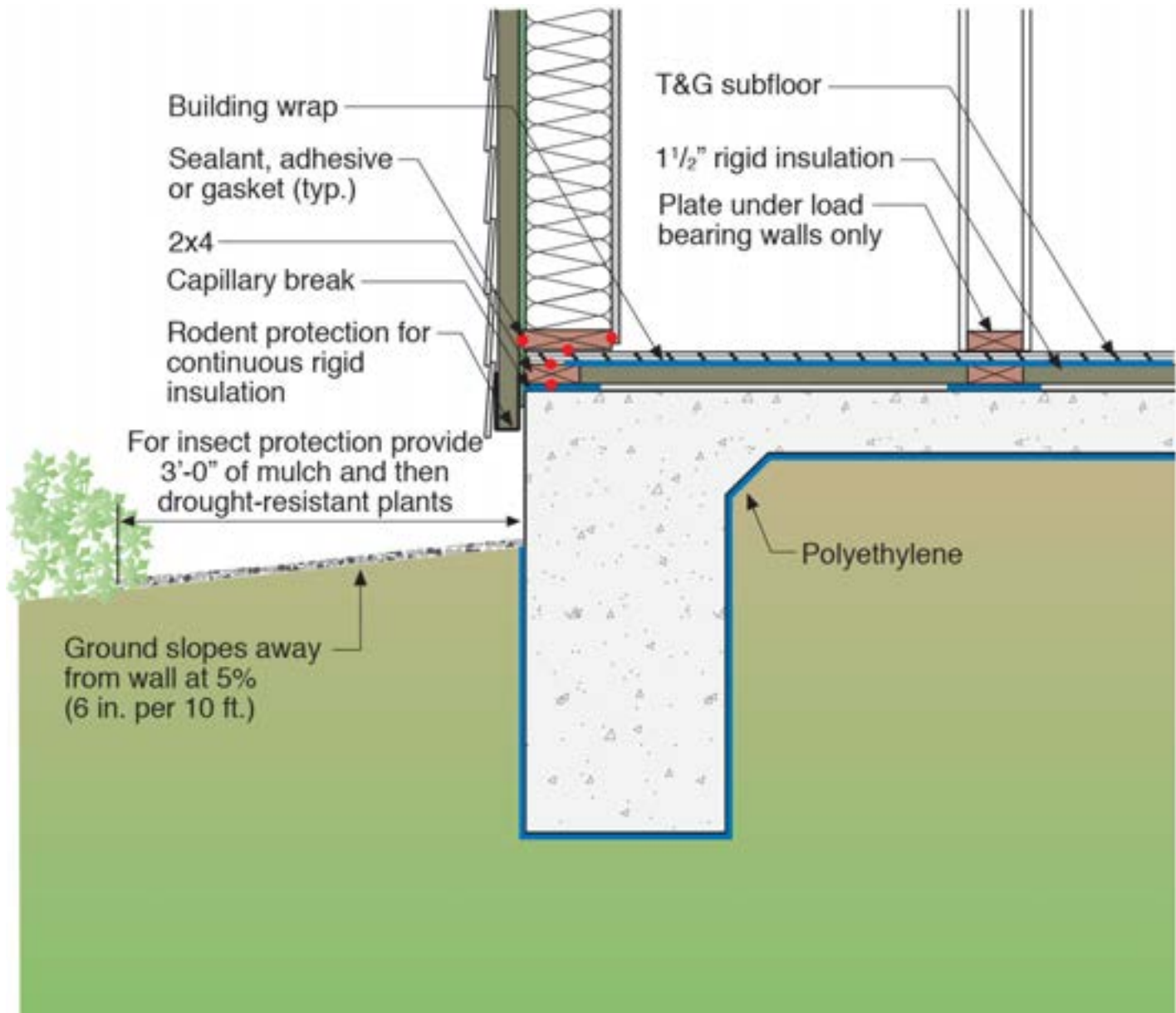


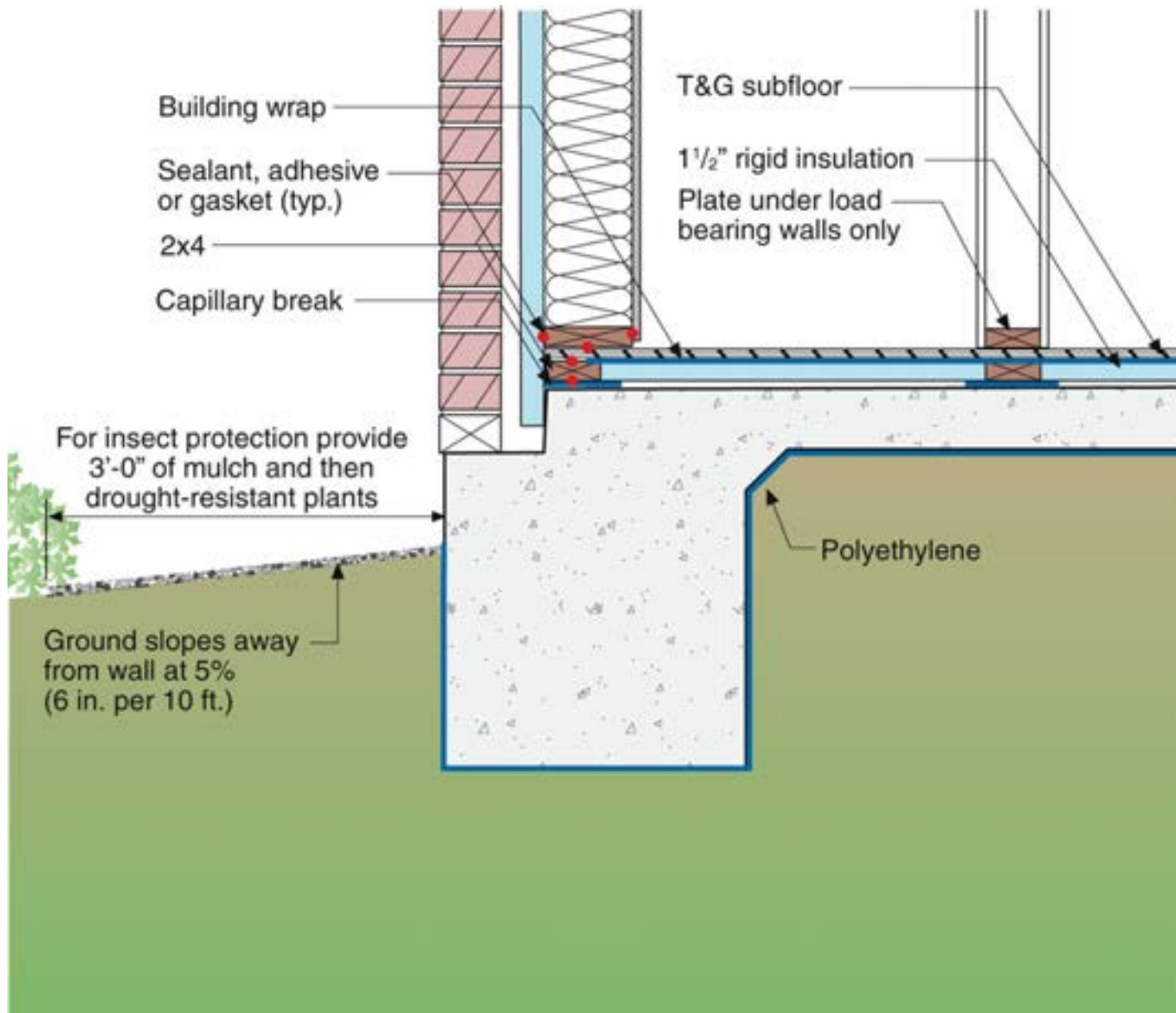


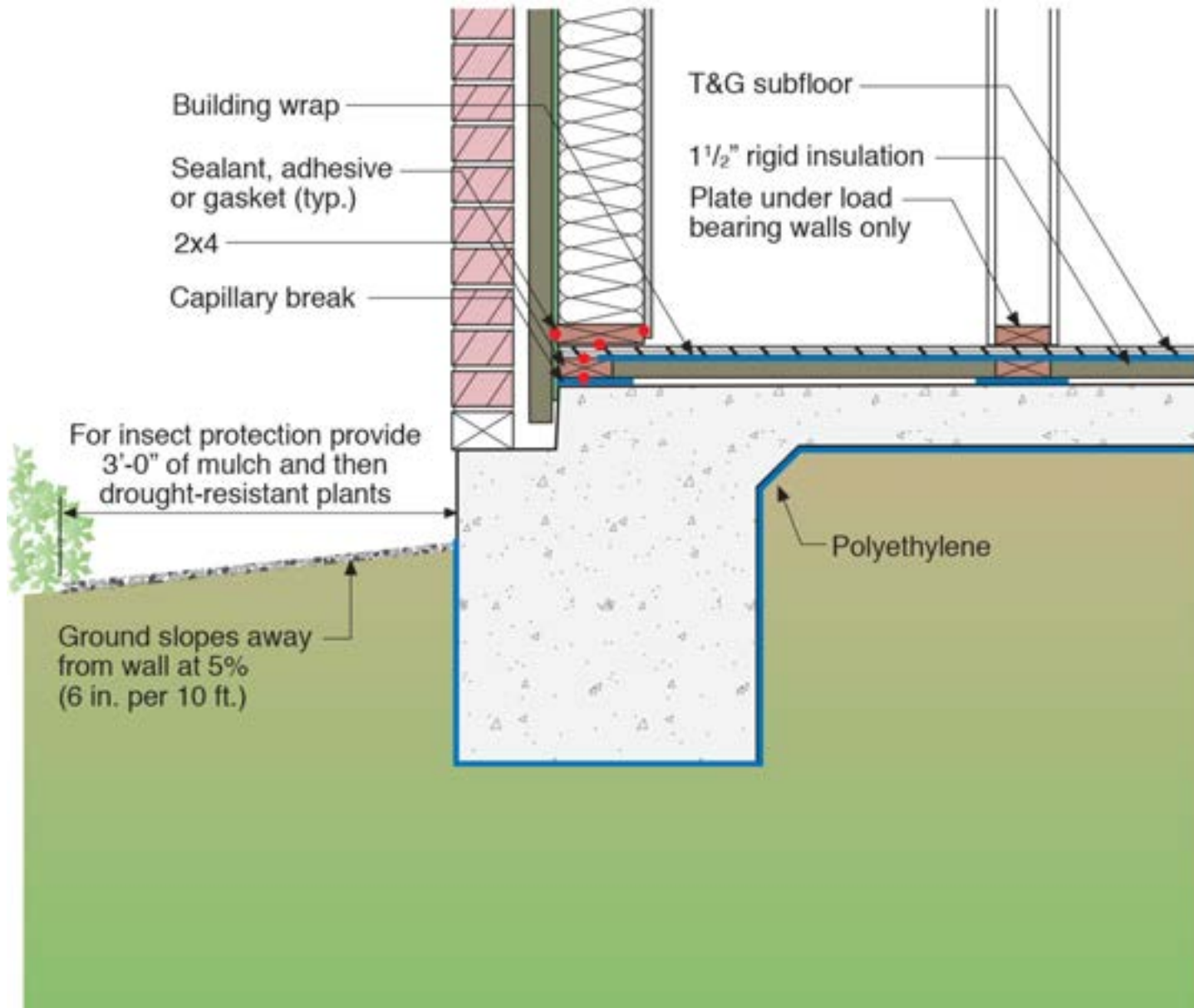


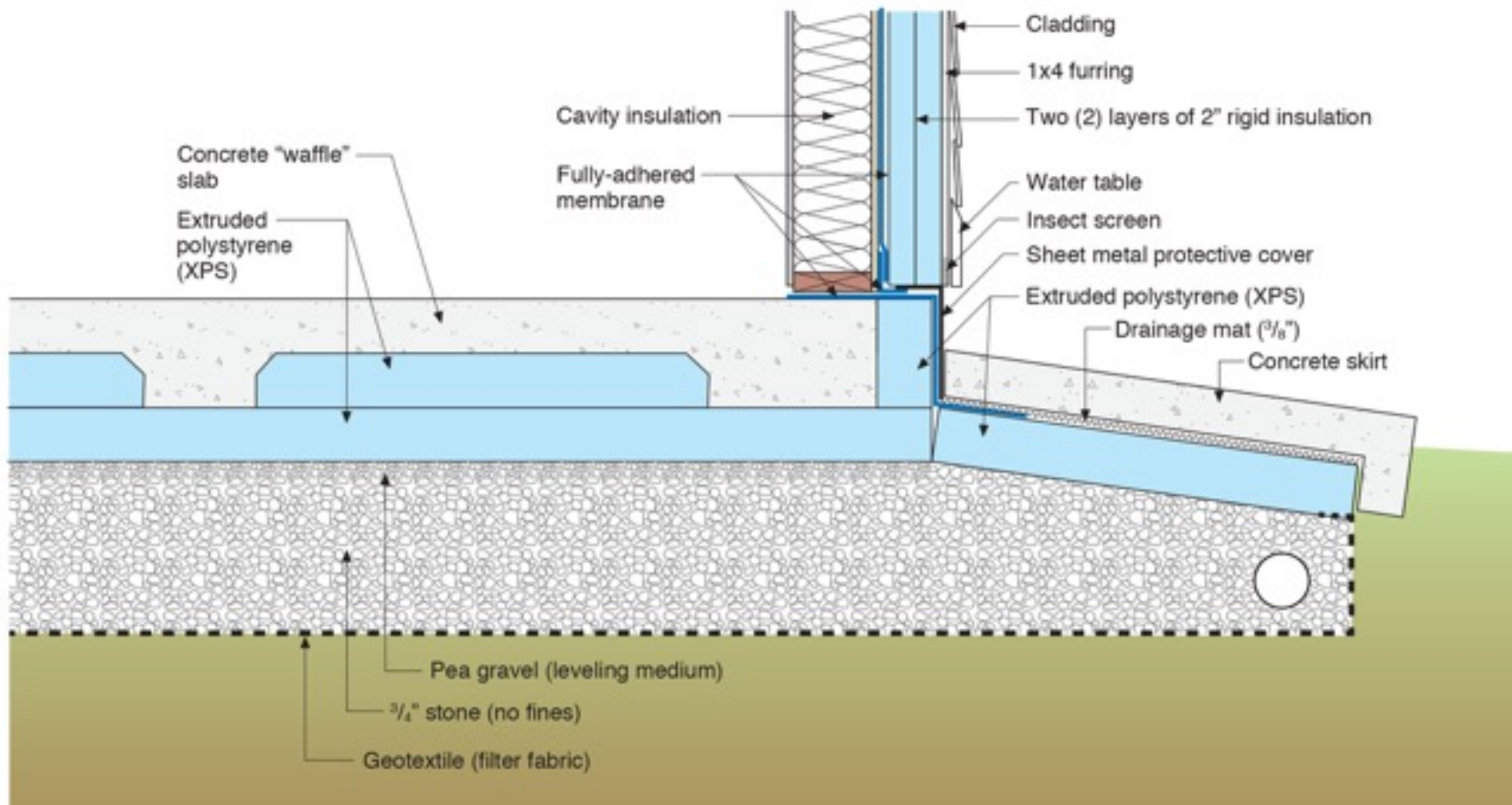


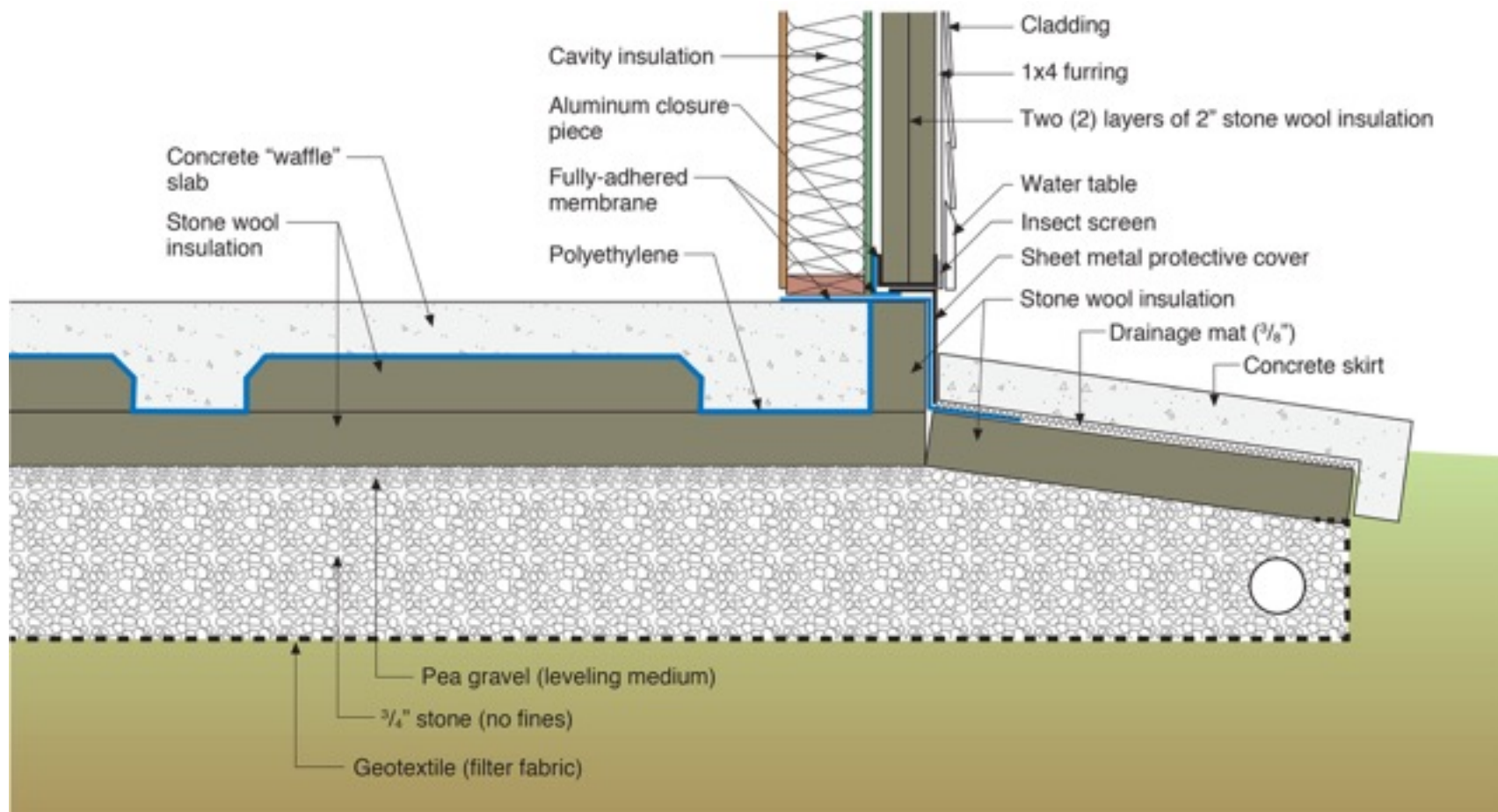
































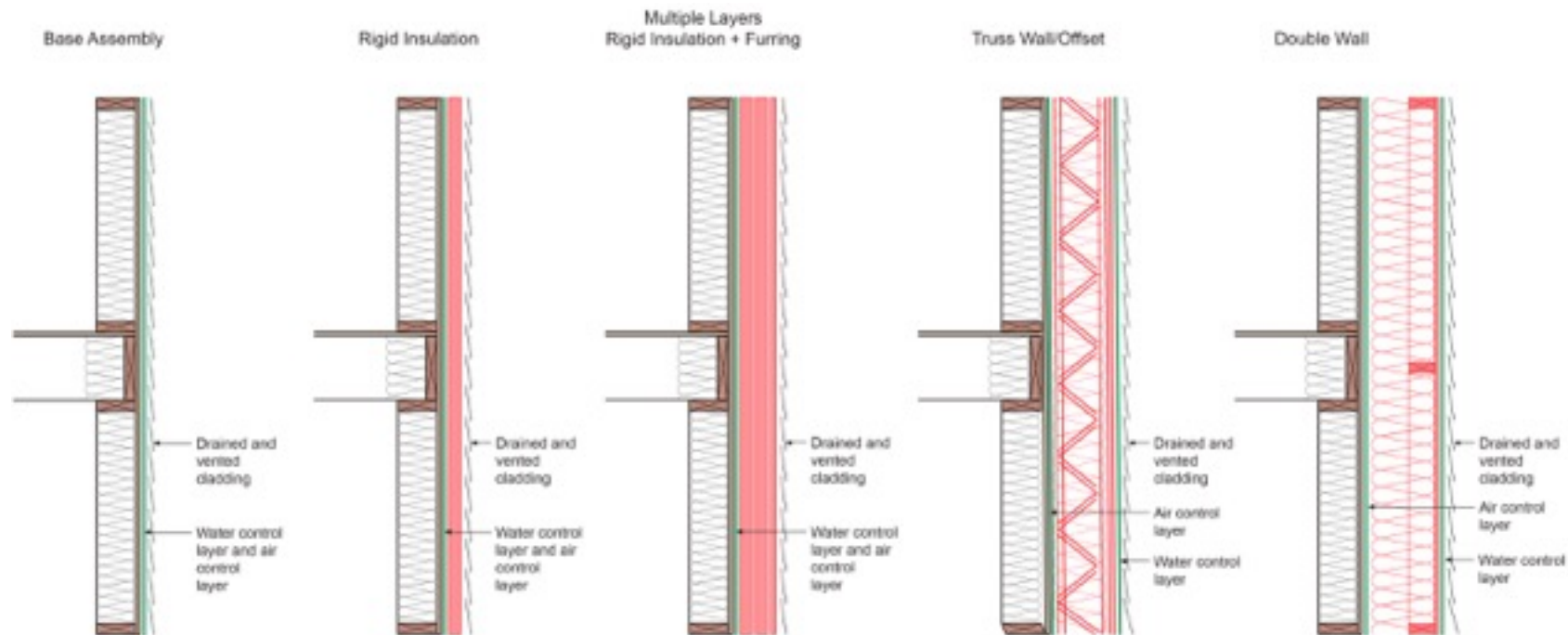
















Rockwool

1x3 furring @ 24" o.c.
#10 screws @ 16" o.c. vertically
Result: 20 psf cladding weight
with < 2/100" deflection

