

### Roofs

- Roofs are significant proportion of the area of *low-rise* buildings
  - Significant to total cost
  - Major area for heat loss / gain
  - Low-slope membranes usually need replacement every 15-25 yrs.
- Wide range of membrane choices
- Insulation on top *or* bottom of membrane
- Green roofs = organic ballast

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Roof membrane Fiberboard hygric buffer

**Rigid insulation** 

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# Slope

- 2% is a good design value for membrane
- Account for roof sags: long span steel often sags more than slope
- Roof drains at columns
- Metal panel slopes
  - Higher ribs, allow lower slopes
  - Beware laps

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## White roofs

- Lower heat gain
- Reduces drying out of roof
- Require better moisture control!
  - Air barrier

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