

Exterior Masonry Walls and Energy Code Compliance

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Course Description

Program Description: Achieving energy code compliance is becoming increasingly more difficult using the code prescriptive methods. Whole building analysis is one alternative method that will produce more cost effective designs for exterior masonry assemblies. This presentation provides an overview of energy code provisions, reviews energy studies performed utilizing whole building analysis, and provides recommendations for cost effective energy efficient solutions for energy efficient exterior masonry wall designs.

Learning Objectives

- Contrast prescriptive energy code compliance with whole building analysis. Understand what building systems most affect energy use in buildings
- Describe how thermal bridging and thermal mass affect energy code compliance.
- Discuss payback cost of whole building analysis identified energy improvements.
- Understand cost effective energy efficient exterior masonry wall design.

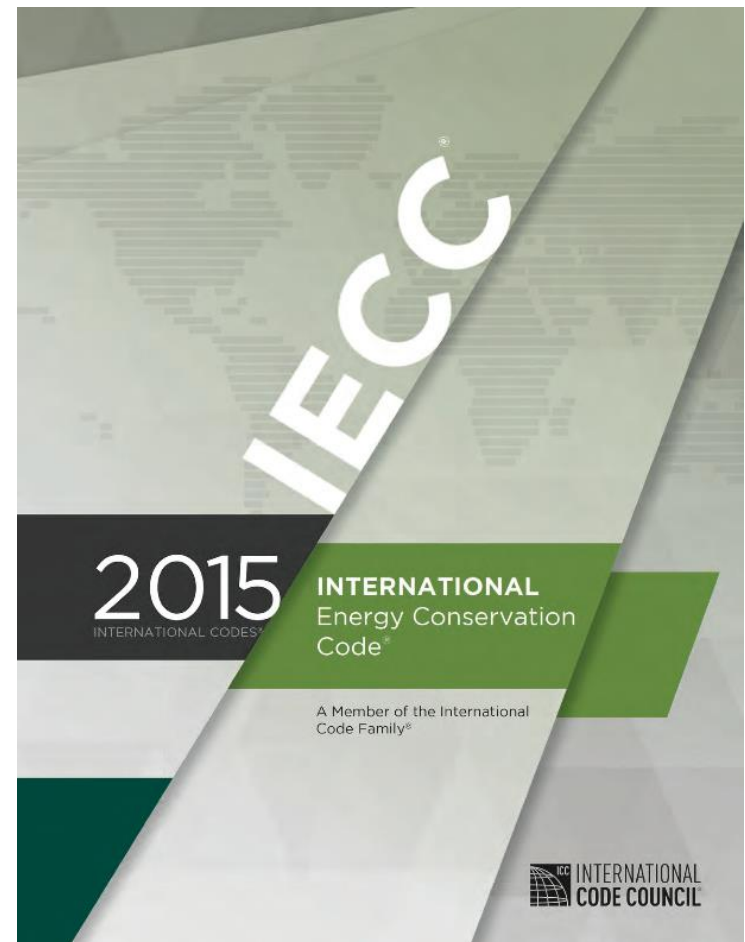
Introduction

- Prescriptive energy code requirements for building envelopes have significantly increased. Compliance is becoming increasingly more difficult.
- This presentation will provide an overview of energy code provisions, review of energy analysis on various building prototypes.
- Look at thermal bridging, U and R values, and payback costs analysis for energy improvements using whole building analysis
- Throughout discuss resources available for designers, such as NCMA and ACI/TMS 122.

International Energy Conservation Code

Energy codes continue to become more stringent...

- 2012 is about 15% more efficient than 2009
- 2015 is about 11% more efficient
- References ASHREA 90.1



ANSI/ASHRAE/IES Standard 90.1



ANSI/ASHRAE/IES Standard 90.1-2013
(Supersedes ANSI/ASHRAE/IES Standard 90.1-2010)
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Energy Standard for Buildings Except Low-Rise Residential Buildings (I-P Edition)

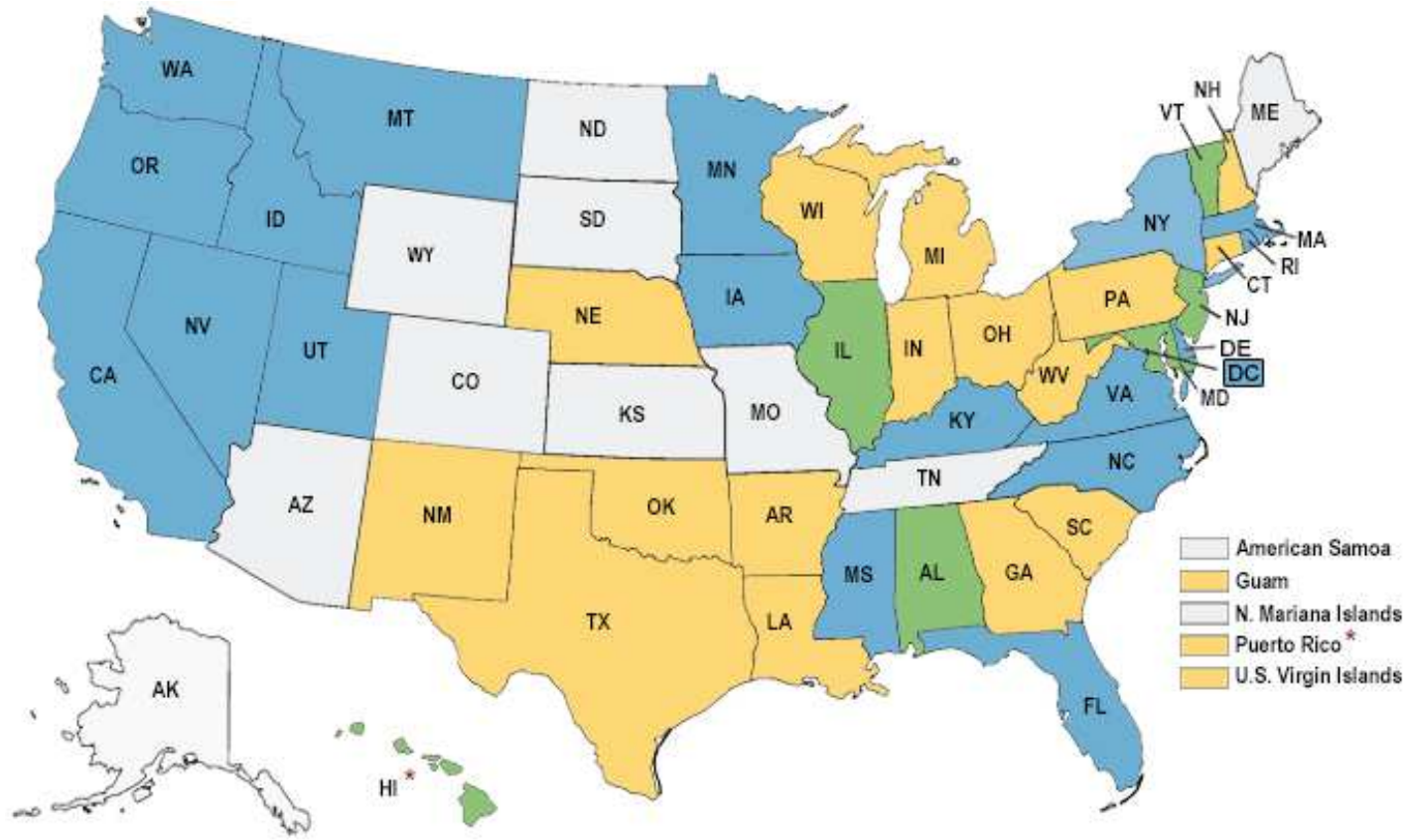
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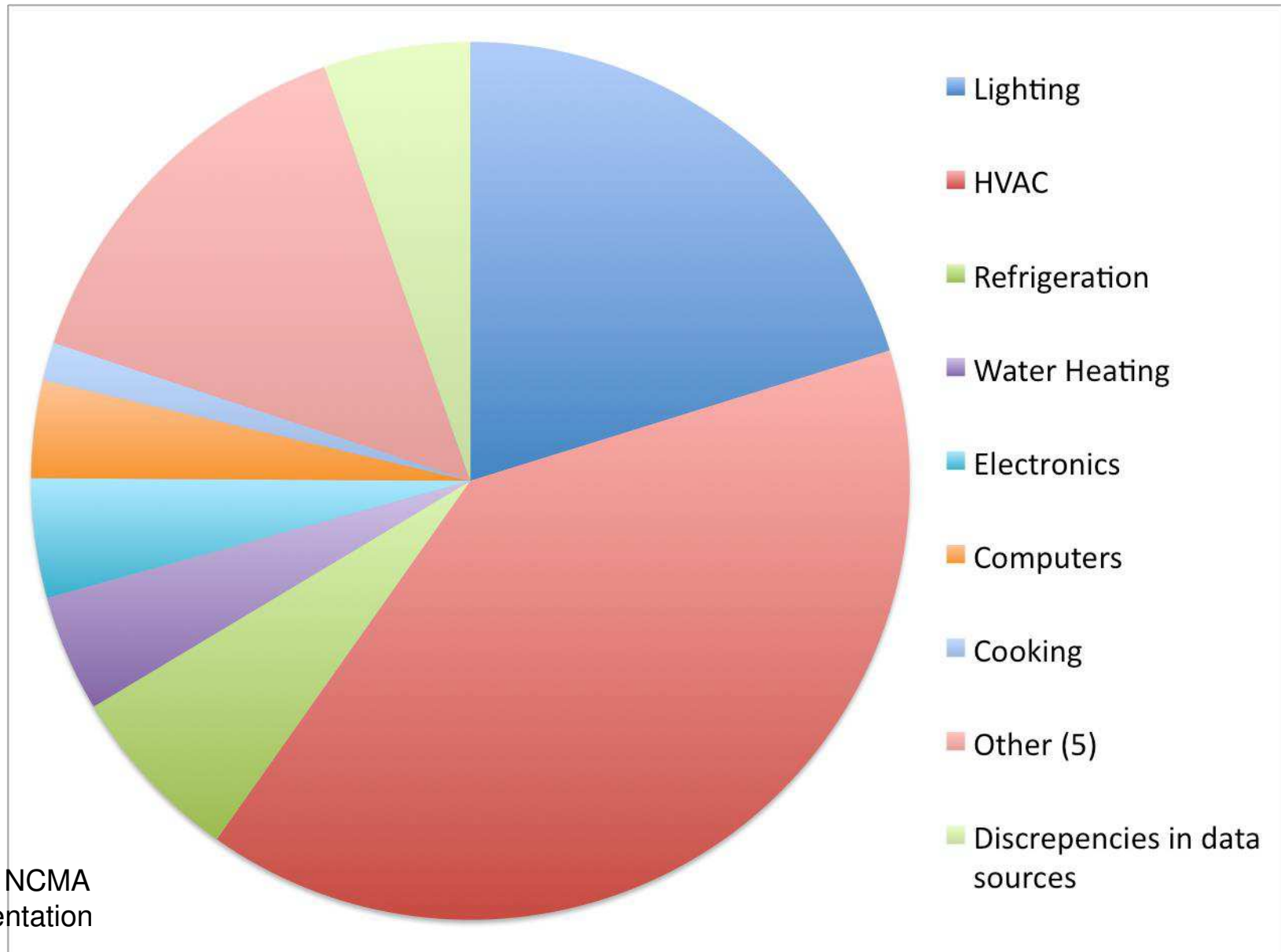


International Energy Conservation Code (IECC)



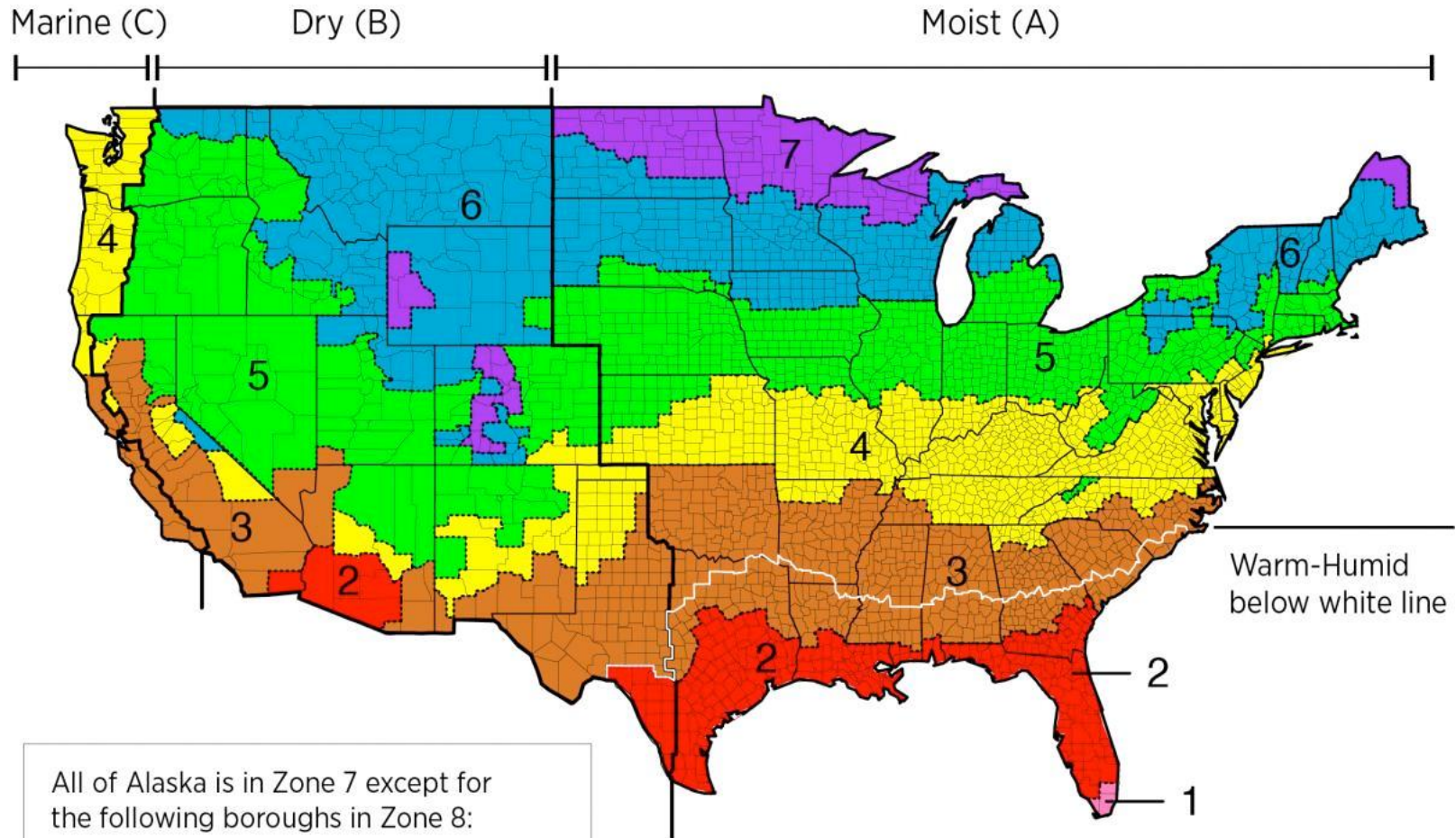
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Commercial Building Energy Use



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Climate Zones

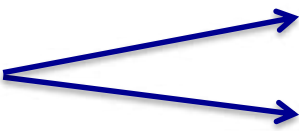



All of Alaska is in Zone 7 except for the following boroughs in Zone 8:


Bethel, Northwest Arctic, Dellingham, Southeast Fairbanks, Fairbanks N. Star, Wade Hampton, Nome, Yukon-Koyukuk, North Slope

Zone 1 includes Hawaii, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands

Compliance Options - IECC

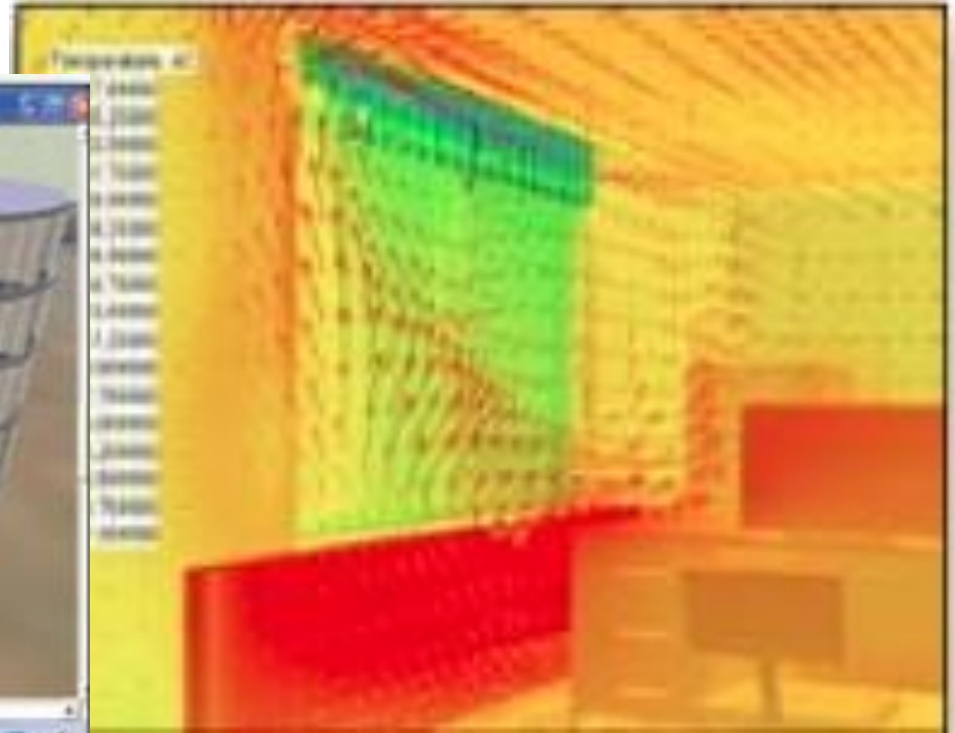
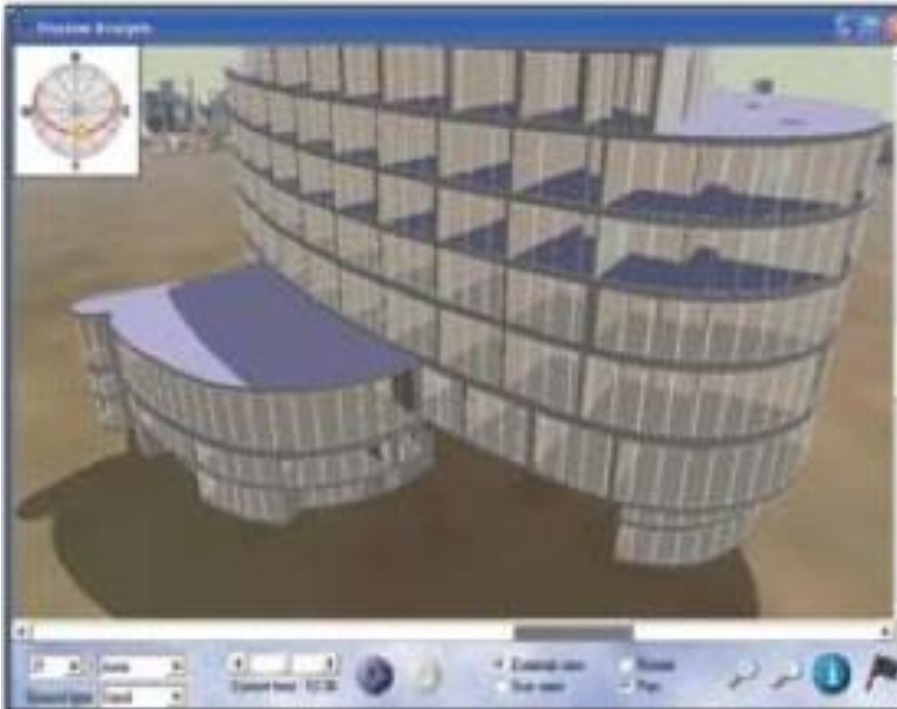
Prescriptive  R-value table
U-factor table

Trade-off  COMcheck
Envelope

Total building  performance
EnergyPlus/Design
Builder, Sefaira, TREAT,
BSim, etc.

Total Building Performance

Tools include: EnergyPlus/DesignBuilder, Sefaira, TREAT, BSim

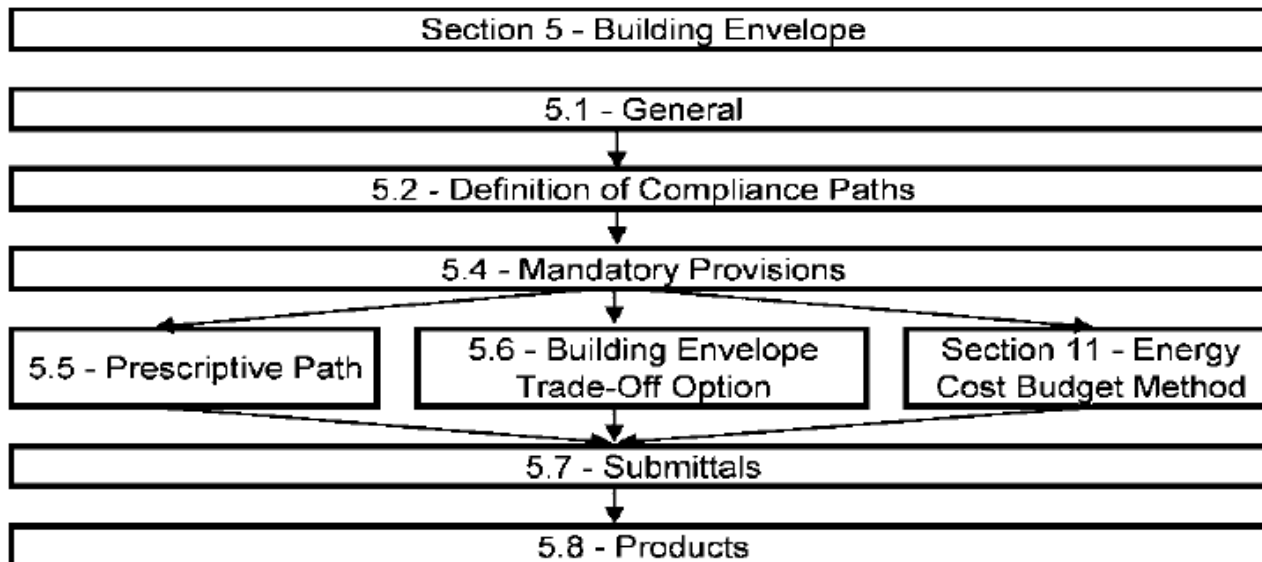


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Energy Code Design ASHREA 90.1

STD. generally allows 3 methods to be used for design of the various energy related building systems (IECC – references -ASHRAE 90.1) **Similar in other Systems**

5. BUILDING ENVELOPE



Energy Code Design

Prescriptive requirements – Envelope – Varies with Climate Zone

TABLE 5.5-4 Building Envelope Requirements for Climate Zone 4 (A, B, C)*

Climate Zone 4 B

Opaque Elements	Nonresidential		Residential		Semiheated	
	Assembly Maximum	Insulation Min. R-Value	Assembly Maximum	Insulation Min. R-Value	Assembly Maximum	Insulation Min. R-Value
<i>Roofs</i>						
Insulation Entirely above Deck	U-0.048	R-20.0 c.i.	U-0.048	R-20.0 c.i.	U-0.173	R-5.0 c.i.
Metal Building ^a	U-0.055	R-13.0 + R-13.0	U-0.055	R-13.0 + R-13.0	U-0.097	R-10.0
Attic and Other	U-0.027	R-38.0	U-0.027	R-38.0	U-0.053	R-19.0
<i>Walls, Above-Grade</i>						
Mass	U-0.104	R-9.5 c.i.	U-0.090	R-11.4 c.i.	U-0.580	NR
Metal Building	U-0.084	R-19.0	U-0.084	R-19.0	U-0.113	R-13.0
Steel-Framed	U-0.064	R-13.0 + R-7.5 c.i.	U-0.064	R-13.0 + R-7.5 c.i.	U-0.124	R-13.0
Wood-Framed and Other	U-0.089	R-13.0	U-0.064	R-13.0 + R-3.8 c.i.	U-0.089	R-13.0
<i>Walls, Below-Grade</i>						
Below-Grade Wa						
<i>Floors</i>						
Mass	Mass				U-0.104	R-9.5 c.i.
Steel-Joist						
Wood-Framed an						
<i>Slab-On-Grade Floors</i>						
Unheated	F-0.730	NR	F-0.540	R-10 for 24 in.	F-0.730	NR
Heated	F-0.860	R-15 for 24 in.	F-0.860	R-15 for 24 in.	F-1.020	R-7.5 for 12 in.
<i>Opaque Doors</i>						
Swinging	U-0.700		U-0.700		U-0.700	
Nonswinging	U-0.500		U-0.500		U-1.450	
Fenestration	Assembly Max. U	Assembly Max. SHGC	Assembly Max. U	Assembly Max. SHGC	Assembly Max. U	Assembly Max. SHGC
<i>Vertical Glazing, 0%–40% of Wall</i>						
Nonmetal framing (all) ^c	U-0.40		U-0.40		U-1.20	
Metal framing (curtainwall/storefront) ^d	U-0.50	SHGC-0.40 all	U-0.50	SHGC-0.40 all	U-1.20	SHGC-NR all
Metal framing (entrance door) ^d	U-0.85		U-0.85		U-1.20	
Metal framing (all other) ^d	U-0.55		U-0.55		U-1.20	

Walls, Above-Grade

Mass

U-0.104

R-9.5 c.i.

Terminology

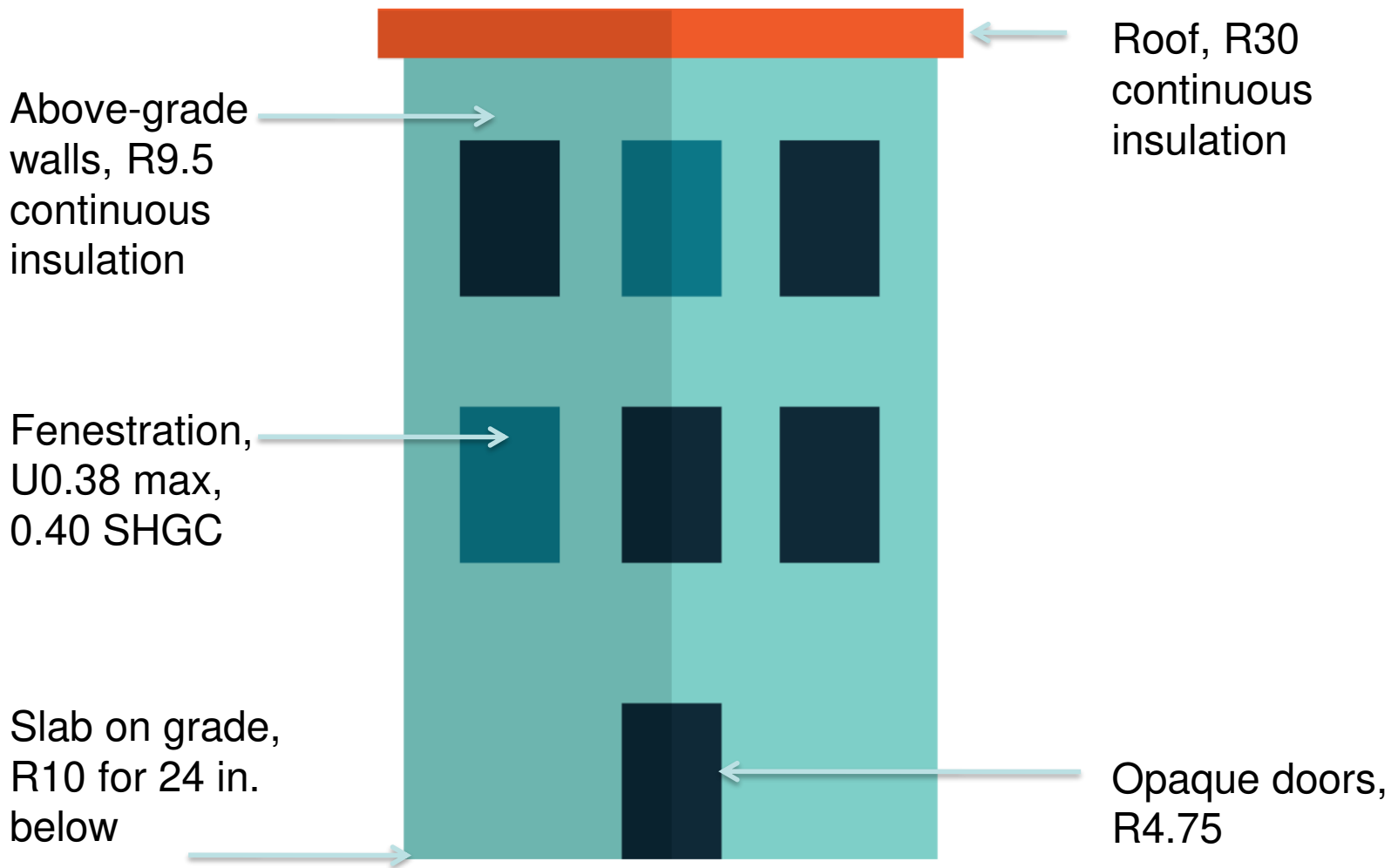
R-value: describes how well a material insulates under steady state temperature conditions; $R = 1/U$

U-factor: describes how well a material conducts heat under steady state temperature conditions; $U = 1/R$

Heat capacity (HC): describes how well a material stores and releases heat under transient temperature conditions (thermal mass)

Prescriptive Compliance

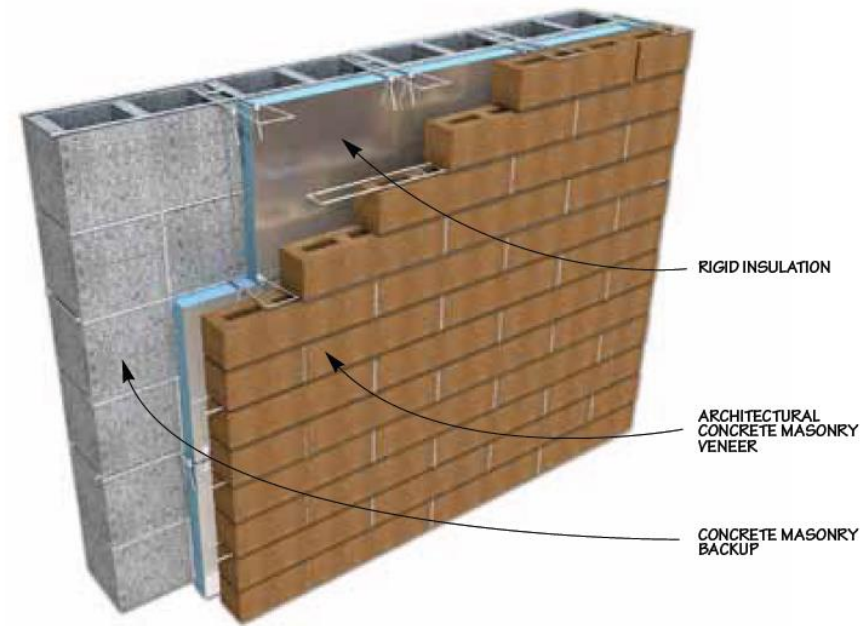
Example Zone 4 – Envelope – R values



Prescriptive R-Value Compliance

Masonry cavity wall:

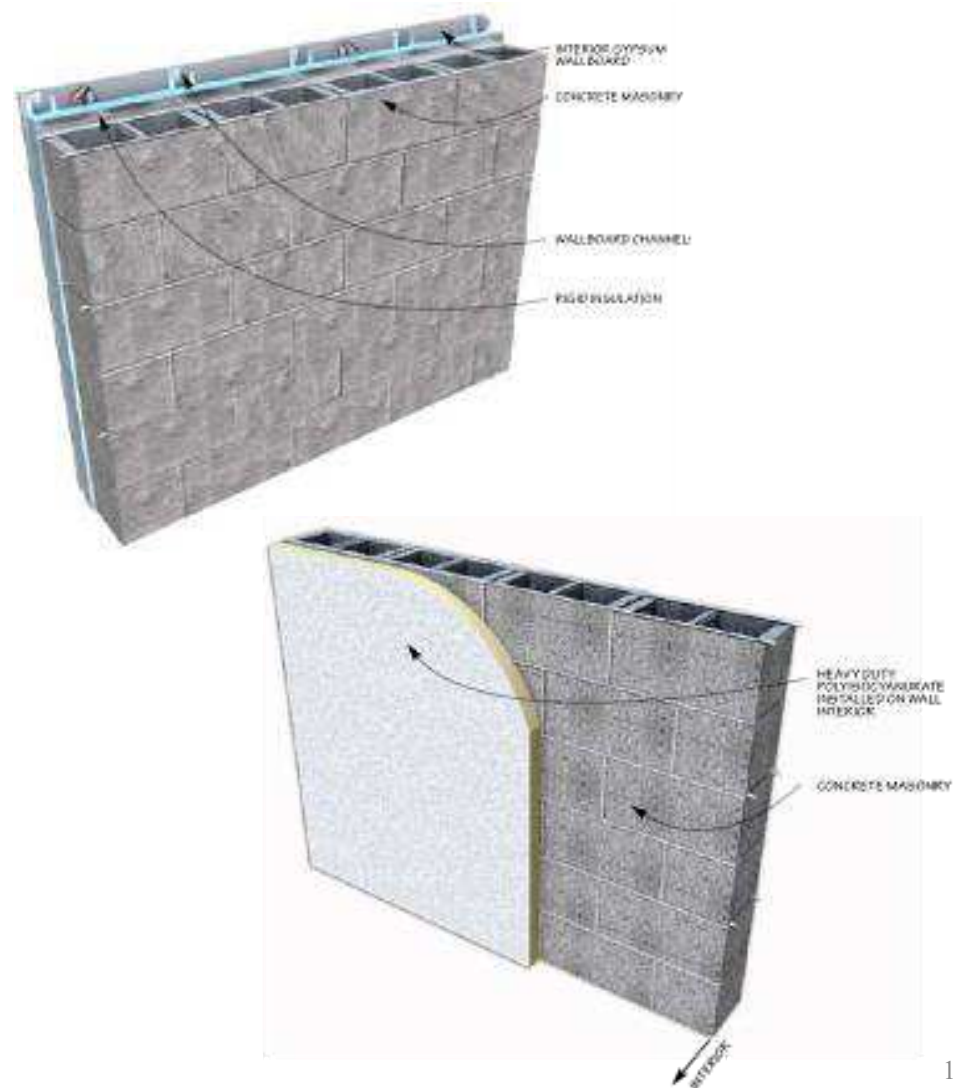
- cavity width can be varied to accommodate insulation
- R-values largely independent of grout schedule
- exposed masonry provides maximum durability



Prescriptive R-Value Compliance

Continuous interior insulation:

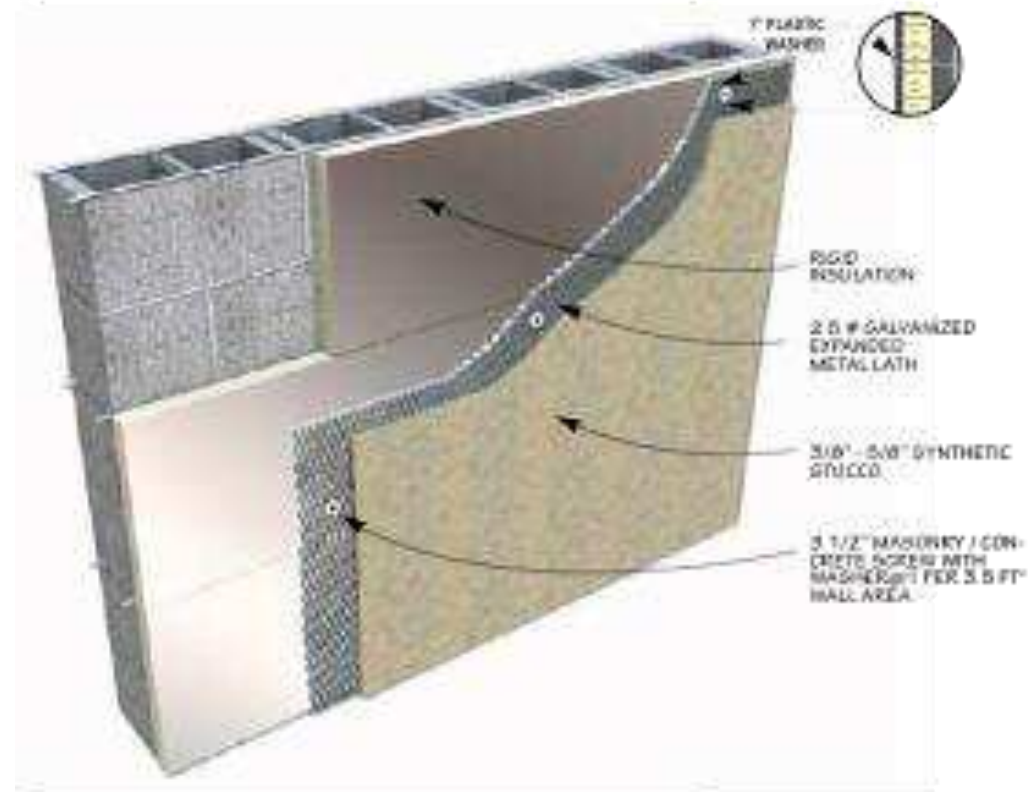
- R-values independent of grout schedule
- allows exterior exposed masonry
- furring space can be used for wiring and utilities



Prescriptive R-Value Compliance

Continuous exterior insulation:

- R-values independent of grout schedule
- allows interior exposed masonry, maximizing thermal mass benefits



Prescriptive R-Value Compliance

Internal insulation



CLIMATE ZONE	1		2		3	
	All other	Group R	All other	Group R	All other	Group R
Insulation entirely above roof deck	R-20ci	R-25ci	R-25ci	R-25ci	R-25ci	R-25ci
Metal buildings ^b	R-19 + R-11 LS	R-19 + R-11 LS	R-19 + R-11 LS	R-19 + R-11 LS	R-19 + R-11 LS	R-19 + R-11 LS
Attic and other	R-38	R-38	R-38	R-38	R-38	R-38
Mass	R-5.7ci ^c	R-5.7ci ^c	R-5.7ci ^c	R-7.6ci	R-7.6ci	R-9.5ci
Metal building	R-13 + R-6.5ci	R-13 + R-6.5ci	R-13 + R-6.5ci	R-13ci	R-13 + R-6.5ci	R-13 + R-13ci
Metal framed	R-13 + R-5ci	R-13 + R-5ci	R-13 + R-5ci	R-13 + R-7.5ci	R-13 + R-7.5ci	R-13 + R-7.5ci

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^c R-5.7ci is allowed to be substituted with concrete block walls complying with ASTM C90, ungrouted or partially grouted at 32 inches or less on center vertically and 48 inches or less on center horizontally, with ungrouted cores filled with materials having a maximum thermal conductivity of 0.44 Btu-in/h-f² °F.

WHAT IF MY BUILDING DOESN'T MEET PRESCRIPTIVE INSULATION R-VALUES?

Prescriptive U-Factor Compliance

Note this is assembly U

Walls, Above-Grade

Mass

U-0.104

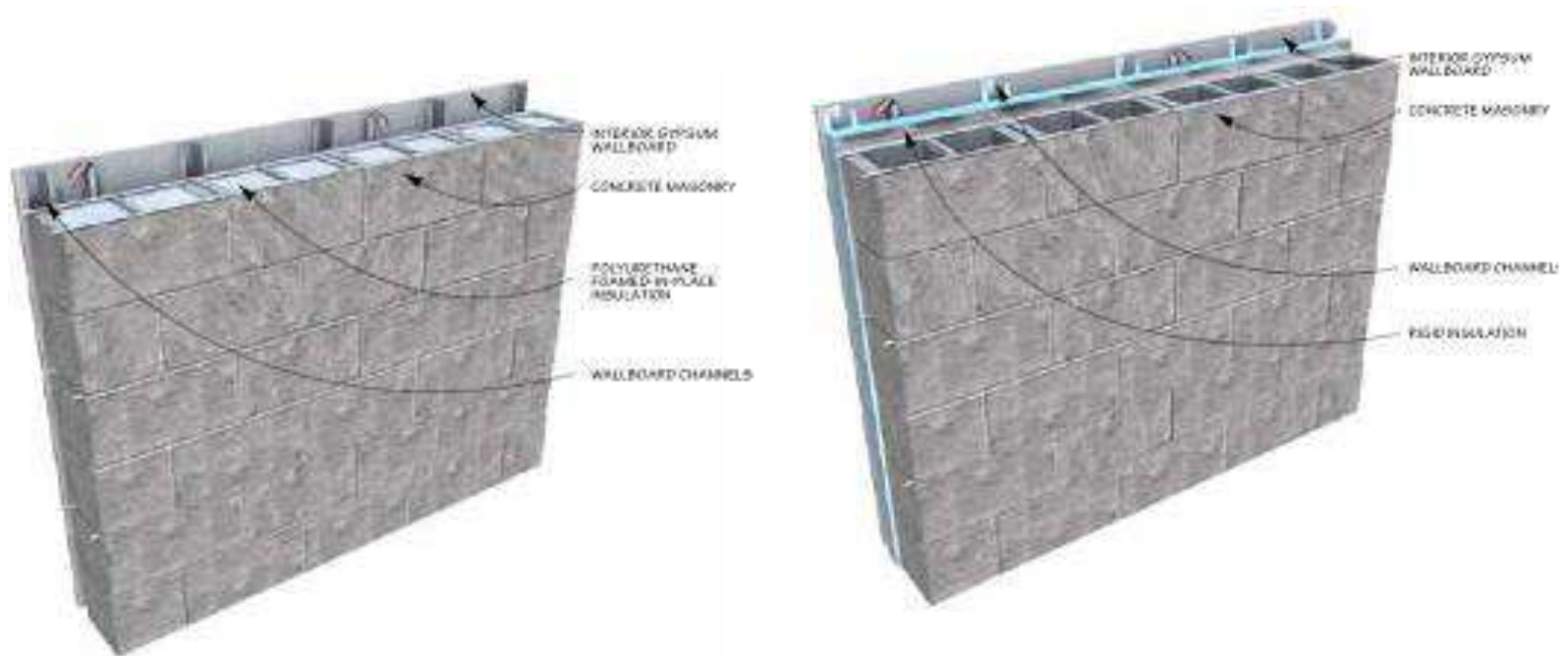
R-9.5 c.i.

ASHRAE Provisions

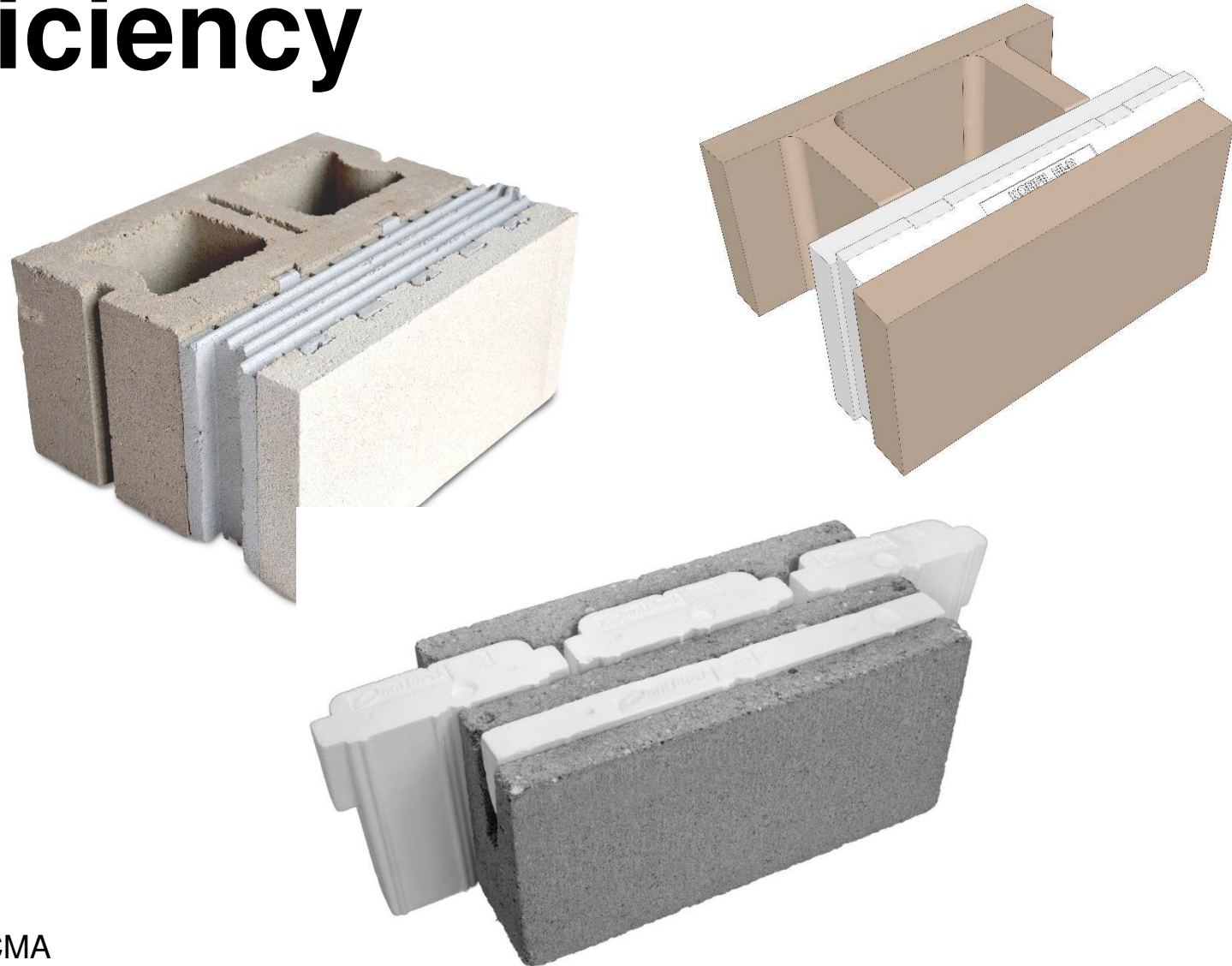
IECC – Has a Separate U value table – Assembly U

Prescriptive U-Factor Compliance

Makes sense any time the preferred wall meets the prescriptive U-factor requirement.



CMU Products for Energy Efficiency



Where Do I Find Masonry U-Factors?



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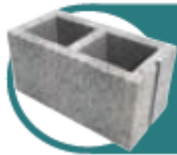
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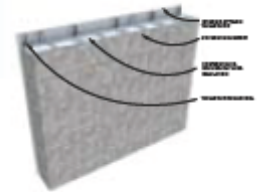
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Where Do I Find Masonry U-Factors?



SINGLE WYTHE CONCRETE MASONRY ASSEMBLIES CELL INSULATION



Assembly 1-2: Polyurethane foamed-in-place insulation in ungrouted cells, exposed exterior masonry, 1/2 in. gypsum wallboard on furring on interior

Concrete Masonry Assembly R-Values (hr-ft²·°F/Btu) and U-Factors (Btu/hr-ft²·°F)

Density of CMU, PCF	6-in. Concrete Masonry				8-in. Concrete Masonry			
	Ungrouted	Lightly Reinforced	Heavily Reinforced	Fully Grouted	Ungrouted	Lightly Reinforced	Heavily Reinforced	Fully Grouted
85	7.48 (0.134)	5.55 (0.180)	4.39 (0.228)	2.90 (0.345)	9.68 (0.103)	6.73 (0.148)	5.11 (0.196)	3.21 (0.312)
95	6.64 (0.151)	5.11 (0.196)	4.13 (0.242)	2.81 (0.356)	8.50 (0.118)	6.17 (0.162)	4.80 (0.208)	3.10 (0.323)
105	5.90 (0.169)	4.71 (0.212)	3.90 (0.257)	2.73 (0.366)	7.48 (0.134)	5.65 (0.177)	4.50 (0.222)	3.00 (0.334)
115	5.27 (0.190)	4.35 (0.230)	3.68 (0.272)	2.66 (0.375)	6.59 (0.152)	5.18 (0.193)	4.23 (0.236)	2.91 (0.344)
125	4.73 (0.212)	4.02 (0.249)	3.48 (0.287)	2.60 (0.384)	5.83 (0.172)	4.75 (0.210)	3.98 (0.251)	2.83 (0.354)
135	4.26 (0.235)	3.73 (0.268)	3.30 (0.303)	2.55 (0.393)	5.18 (0.193)	4.37 (0.229)	3.75 (0.267)	2.76 (0.363)

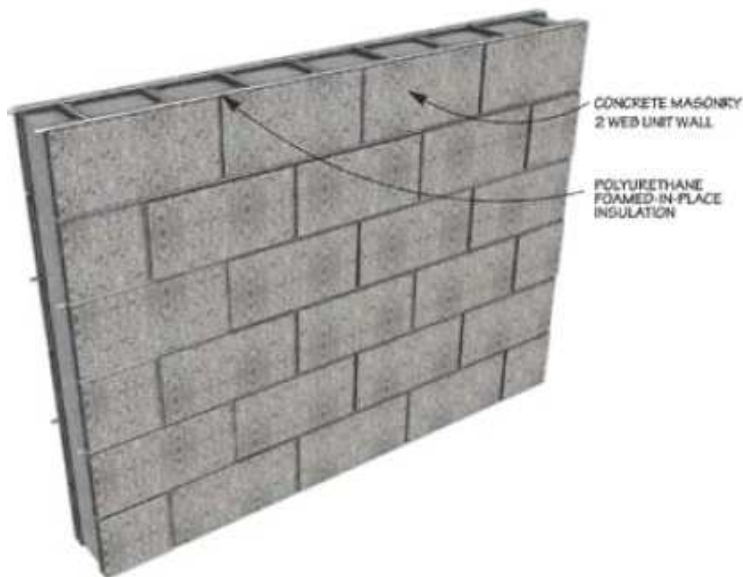
Density of CMU, PCF	10-in. Concrete Masonry				12-in. Concrete Masonry			
	Ungrouted	Lightly Reinforced	Heavily Reinforced	Fully Grouted	Ungrouted	Lightly Reinforced	Heavily Reinforced	Fully Grouted
85	11.57 (0.086)	7.70 (0.130)	5.70 (0.176)	3.45 (0.290)	14.09 (0.071)	8.81 (0.113)	6.32 (0.158)	3.68 (0.271)
95	10.08 (0.099)	7.04 (0.142)	5.34 (0.187)	3.33 (0.300)	12.20 (0.082)	8.06 (0.124)	5.93 (0.168)	3.56 (0.281)
105	8.79 (0.114)	6.42 (0.156)	5.01 (0.200)	3.23 (0.310)	10.57 (0.095)	7.36 (0.136)	5.57 (0.179)	3.45 (0.289)
115	7.67 (0.130)	5.86 (0.171)	4.70 (0.213)	3.13 (0.319)	9.17 (0.109)	6.71 (0.149)	5.23 (0.191)	3.35 (0.298)
125	6.72 (0.149)	5.36 (0.187)	4.41 (0.227)	3.05 (0.328)	7.97 (0.125)	6.11 (0.164)	4.90 (0.204)	3.26 (0.307)
135	5.92 (0.169)	4.90 (0.204)	4.14 (0.242)	2.96 (0.337)	6.96 (0.144)	5.57 (0.180)	4.59 (0.218)	3.17 (0.315)

Where Do I Find Masonry U-Factors?

SECTION TWO 2-WEB CMU ASSEMBLIES



Assembly 2-1: Polyurethane foamed-in-place insulation in ungrouted cells, exposed masonry (interior and exterior)



- Masonry exposed on both the interior and exterior provides maximum durability.
- Values in table assume no insulation in grouted cells. Note that some rigid inserts are configured to accommodate insulation, reinforcing steel and grout in the same cell, which can improve R-values.
- Other masonry cell insulations include molded polystyrene inserts, other types of foamed-in-place insulations and expanded perlite or vermiculite granular fills. These insulations will have different thermal properties than polyurethane which will affect the resulting R-value.
- Cell insulation, in contrast to additional insulation on either side of the wall, allows some of the thermal mass (masonry) to be in direct contact with the indoor air, providing excellent thermal mass benefits.
- Insulation should occupy all ungrouted cells.
- “Lightly reinforced” = grout 8 ft o.c. both vertically and horizontally (or vertical reinforcement only at 48 in. o.c.).
“Heavily reinforced” = grout 32 in o.c. vertically and 48 in. o.c. horizontally (or vertical reinforcement only at 24 in. o.c.).

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[TEK 06-03: Shifting Peak Energy Loads with Concrete Masonry Construction \(1991\)](#)

[TEK 06-04B: Energy Code Compliance Using COMcheck \(2012\)](#)

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Where Do I Find Masonry U-Factors?



NCMA R-Value / U-Factor / Heat Capacity Calculator
User Input Page (3 Layer Unit)

Please enter inputs below for the wall assembly

Step 2: CMU Description

Description:
NOTE: Enter description of CMU to be included in calculation output

Step 3: CMU Nominal Dimesions

	Specified
Width (in.)	-0.375
Height (in.)	-0.375
Length (in.)	-0.375

Step 4: Face Shell Thickness

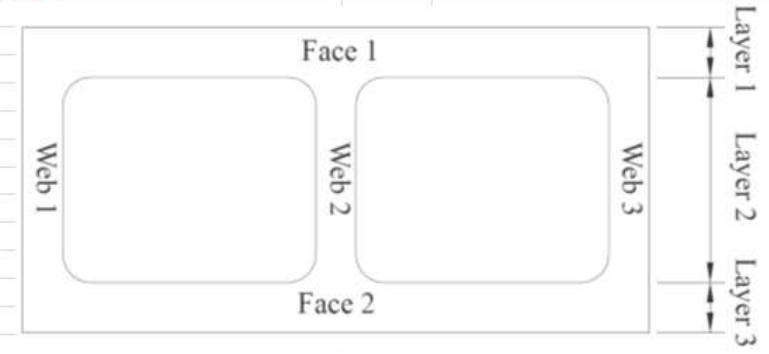
Face 1 Thickness (in.)	<input type="text"/>
Face 2 Thickness (in.)	<input type="text"/>

Step 4: Web Information

		Calculated Web Area
Web 1 Thickness (in.)	Web 1 Height (in.)	0
Web 2 Thickness (in.)	Web 2 Height (in.)	0
Web 3 Thickness (in.)	Web 3 Height (in.)	0
Web 4 Thickness (in.)	Web 4 Height (in.)	0
Total		0

- Option - enter total web area for CMU
NOTE - Entering a total web area above will override individual web entries.

3 Layer Unit



Steps 11 & 12: Surface Finishes

Inside Surface Finish	None
Outside Surface Finish	None

New – Changes to ASTM C 90 allow 2 web Blocks – will reduce block U

Second Compliance Method

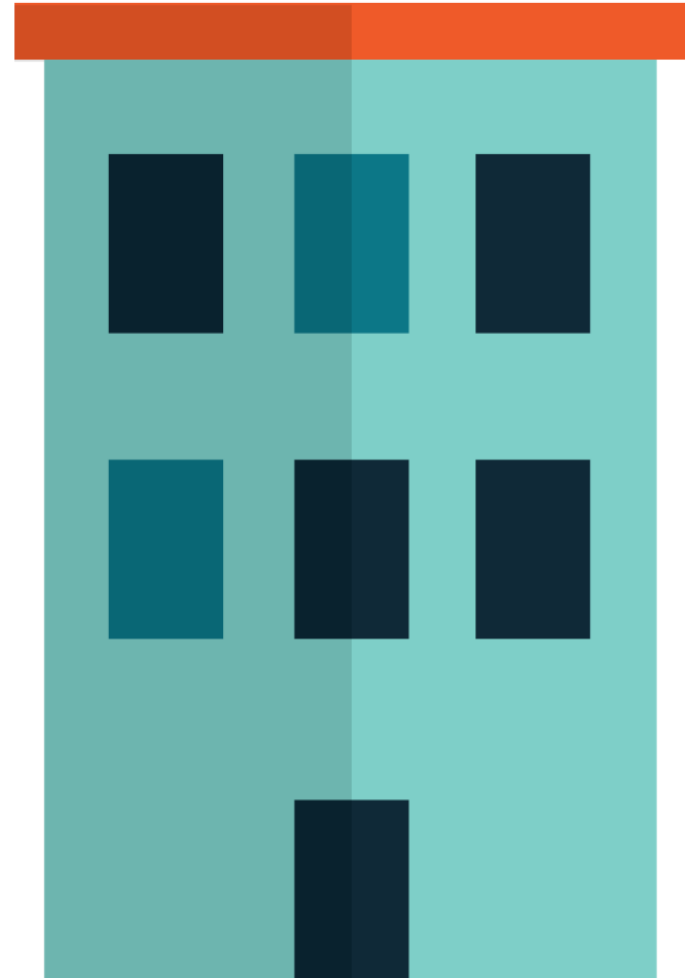
Trade-Off Compliance/COMcheck

Three overall budgets:

Envelope

Mechanical

Lighting



COMcheck

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Runs on Vista or Windows 7 in either single, multi-user, or network environments

Supported Codes:

2009, 2012 and 2015 IECC.

ASHRAE Standard 90.1:2007, 2010, and 2013

Various state-developed energy codes.

Version 4.0.2 includes support for the 2015 IECC energy code. This release also includes support for '2014 Florida Building Code, Energy Conservation'. 2006 IECC and 2011 Vermont Commercial Building Energy Standard are no longer supported by COMcheck.



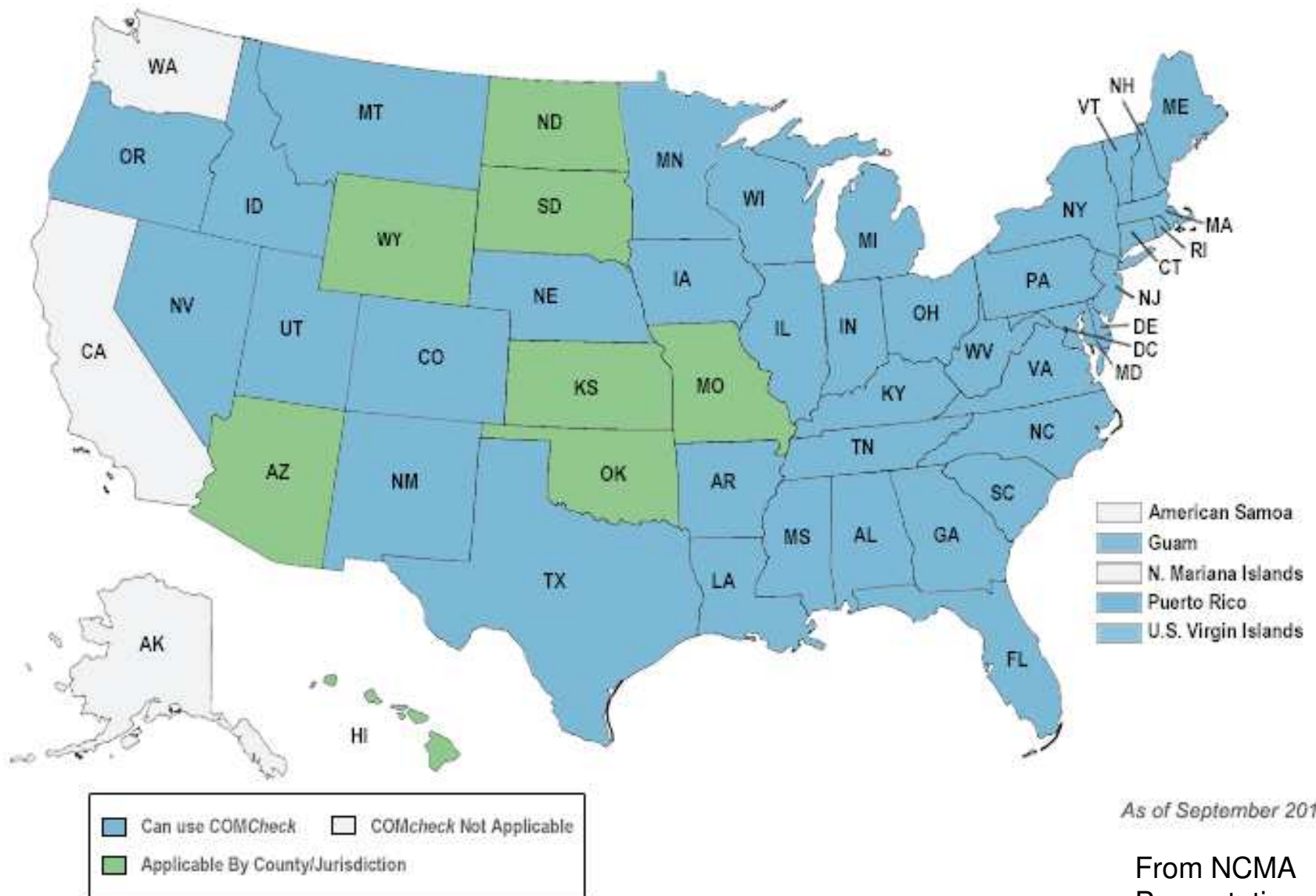
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COMcheck

- easy way to take advantage of trade-offs, ie, increase roof insulation to reduce wall or window requirements.
- program shows if the envelope complies, and how close it is to compliance
- allows individual elements to be tweaked for compliance, revisions are quick and easy.
- **Trade offs are for envelope only**

Where Can I Use



COMcheck Input

COMcheck-Web - 2015 IECC

https://energycode.pnl.gov/COMcheckWeb/index.html

COMcheck-Web™ Big Box Retail Save 2015 IECC Log Out

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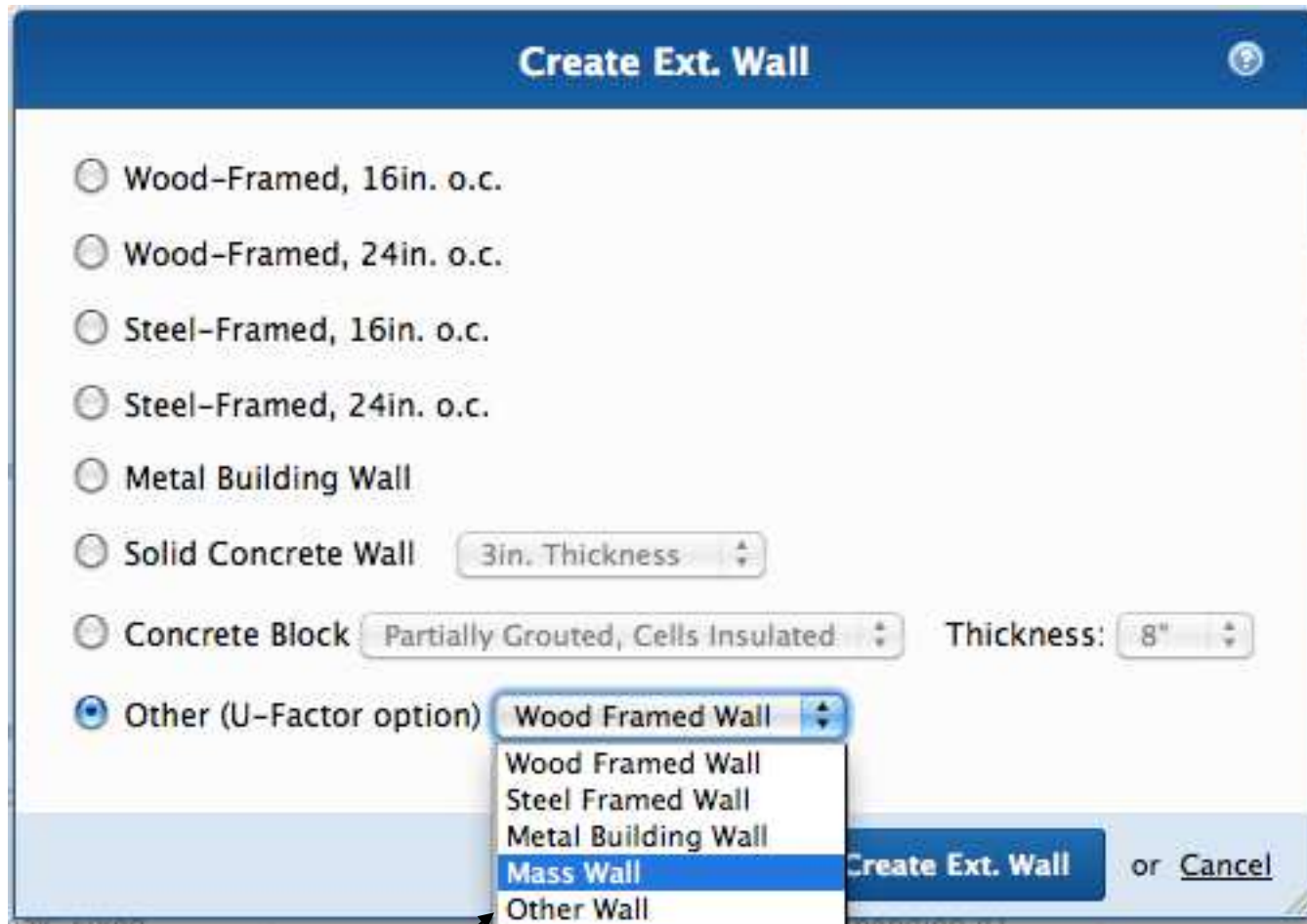
[Fenestration Requirements](#)

	Component	Assembly	Building Area Type	Fenestration Details	Construction Details	Gross Area or Slab Perimeter	Cavity Insulation R-Value	Continuous Insulation R-Value	U-Factor	Heat Capacity	UA	SHGC	Projection Factor
1	Roof	Insulation Entirely Above Deck	2 - Retail (N ↓)			134131 ft ²		30	0.032		4292		
2	Roof	Insulation Entirely Above Deck	1 - Office (N ↓)			4188 ft ²		30	0.032		134		
3	Ext. Wall	Other Mass Wall	2 - Retail (N ↓)			32887 ft ²			0.1	9	3114		
4	Door	Insulated Metal			Swinging ↓	378 ft ²			0.61		231		
5	Door	Insulated Metal			Non-Swingir ↓	162 ft ²			0.21		34		
6	Door	Uninsulated Double-Layer Metal			Non-Swingir ↓	320 ft ²			0.21		67		
7	Window	Metal Frame with Thermal Break: Fixed		Non-NFRC:p...		207 ft ²			0.37		77	0.25	1.45
8	Window	Metal Frame with Thermal Break: Fixed		Non-NFRC:p...		532 ft ²			0.37		197	0.25	0
9	Window	Metal Frame with Thermal Break: Fixed		Non-NFRC:p...		152 ft ²			0.37		56	0.25	1.45
10	Ext. Wall	Other Mass Wall	1 - Office (N ↓)			5243 ft ²			0.1	9	524		
11	Floor	Unheated Slab-On-Grade	2 - Retail (N ↓)		Vert. Ins., 2ft	1611 ft		10			870		

Envelope Passes +2%
 Interior Lighting TBD --
 Exterior Lighting TBD --

From NCMA Presentation

COMcheck Input



**Always use Other (mass) exterior wall input
Default value for CMU very conservative.**

COMcheck Input – Other Mass Wall

Assembly	Orienter
Other Mass Wall	North

Continuous Insulation R-Value	U-Factor	Heat Capacity
	0.091	9

Thermal Catalog
NCMA TEKs 6-1C & 6-2C
R-Value/U-Factor
Calculator

NCMA TEK 6-16A

Also ACI 122R Guide to Thermal Properties of Concrete and Masonry Systems

COMcheck Results

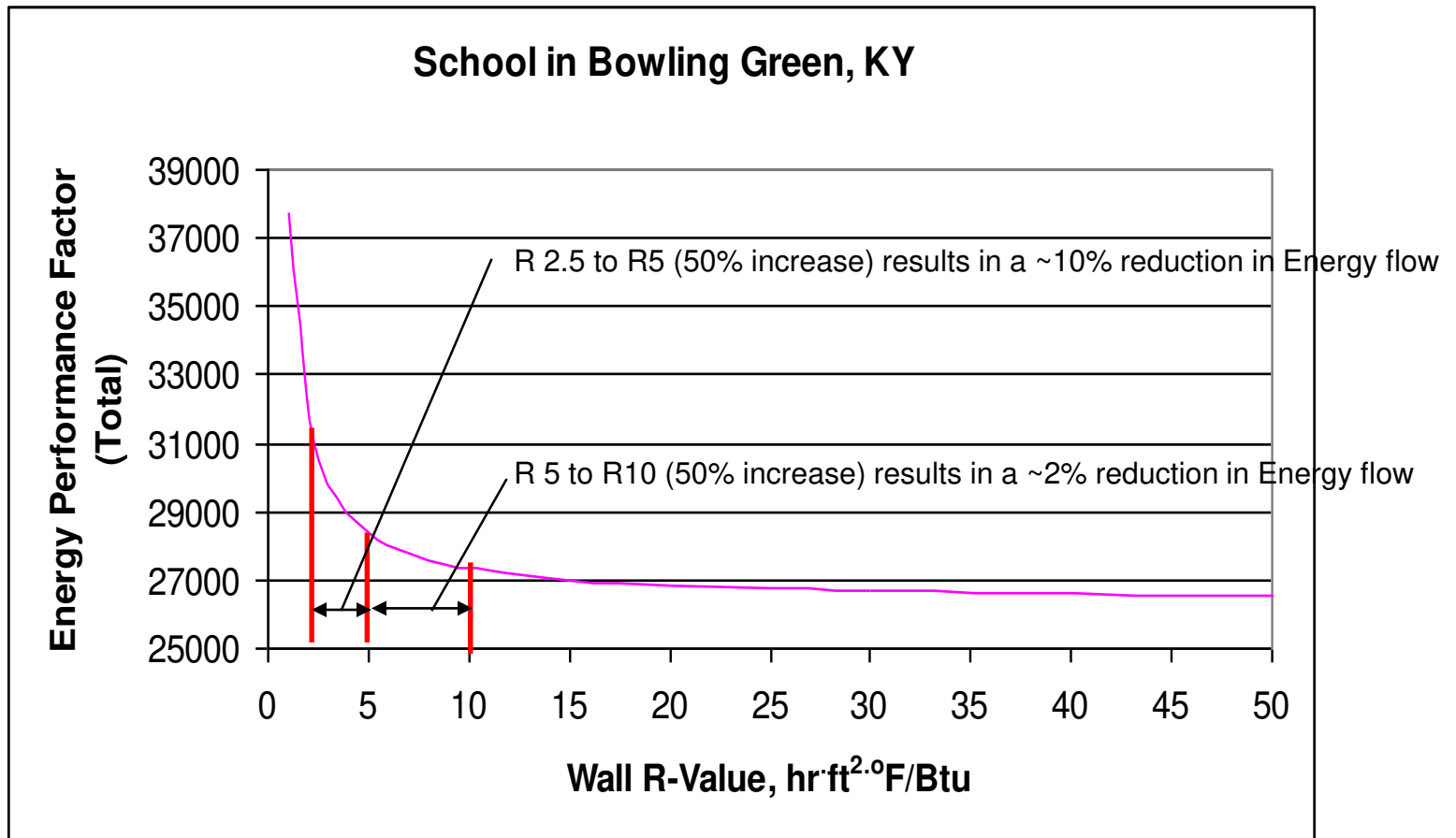
- Using COMCheck allows slightly higher U-factor for mass wall than prescriptive
- Using trade-offs can change required efficiency for walls (or other components)

Method	Mass wall requirement
Prescriptive R-value	R9.5 ci
Prescriptive U-factor	U-0.104 (R9.6)
COMcheck code max U	U-0.109 (R9.2)
Trade-off: max roof R (R60)	U-0.164 (R6.1)

COMcheck

- If close to prescriptive can help
- But prescriptive R/U values close to max effective values.
- Large increases in R have less impact at higher R values
- See following slide

Envelope Performance Factor (EPF) is a relative term that approximates the total heating and cooling energy associated with an average square foot of surface or square meter of building envelope



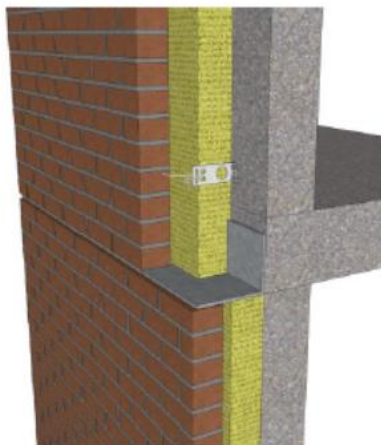
COMCheck accounts for this effect so adding a lot of R on roof only minimally effective if on flat part of curve

Thermal Bridging

Thermal bridging can have a significant effect on Thermal resistance of the envelope – Thus the C_i or U requirement.

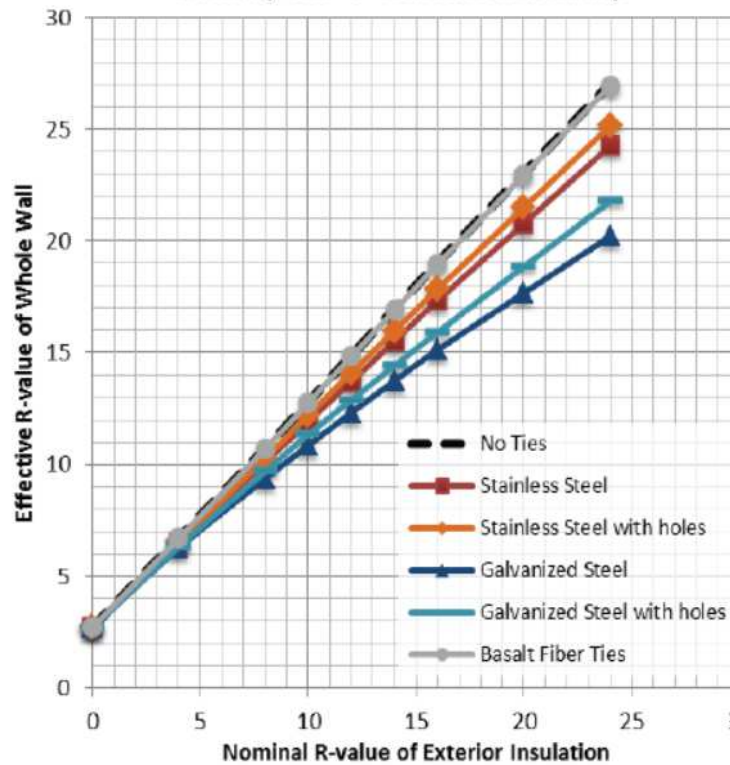
Ties(anchors) angles can reduce steady state thermal resistance significantly

16" x 24"

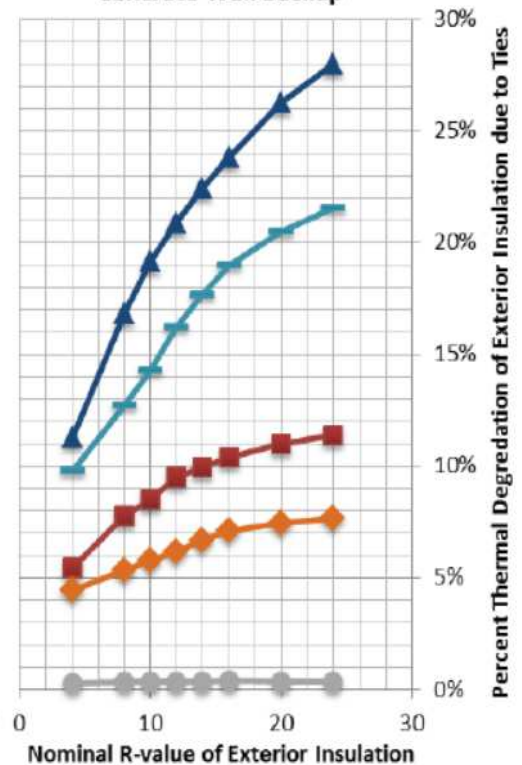


Standard slab attached shelf angle

Effective R-value of Masonry Walls with Different Masonry Ties - 6" Concrete Wall Backup



Percentage Degradation of Exterior Insulation due to Masonry Ties - 6" Concrete Wall Backup



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Thermal Bridging

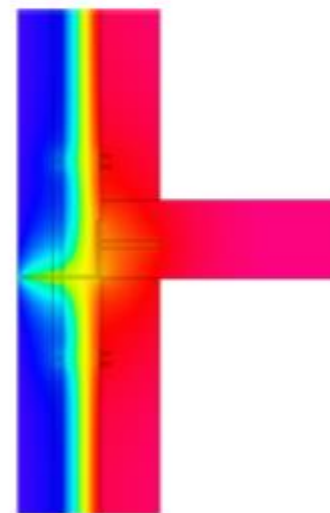
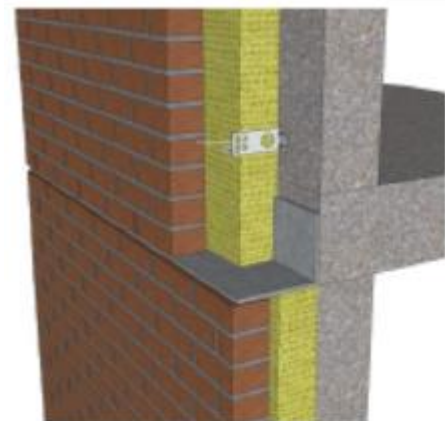
Thermal bridging can have a significant effect on Thermal resistance of the envelope – Thus the Ci requirement.

Shelf angles can reduce steady state thermal resistance significantly

~40% reduction

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Poured Concrete
Backup



R-16.8 (RSI 2.95)
U-0.060 (USI 0.339)

R-10.5 (RSI 1.84)
U-0.096 (USI 0.543)

Metal Thermal bridges can impact Steady state thermal resistance.

- What impact does reduction in the exterior wall thermal resistance have?
- Do changes in envelope thermal resistances produce proportional increases in energy loss and thus energy use?
- Looked at this issue further by addressing energy use in a few typical masonry buildings –

BEST WAY TO EVALUATE THESE EFFECTS IS TO USE HOLISTIC ENERGY ANALYSIS – ENERGYPLUS, DOE 2.

- Basis of 3rd compliance method, Energy Budget method – Proposed building must have \leq Energy cost to prescriptive methods – Also new Appendix G method index.
- Better accounts of thermal mass effects – dynamic weather and internal loads, etc.

Designed a Base Prototype Middle School to Meet prescriptive provisions -4B

- Most Lights T 12- 2 and 4 lamp systems
- High bay halides
- HVAC VAV - Gas boilers and Chillers
- Typical school use schedules.
- Minimum Envelope U and R values ~ R 26 Roof, ~R 9.8 Walls
- Base EUI - ~132

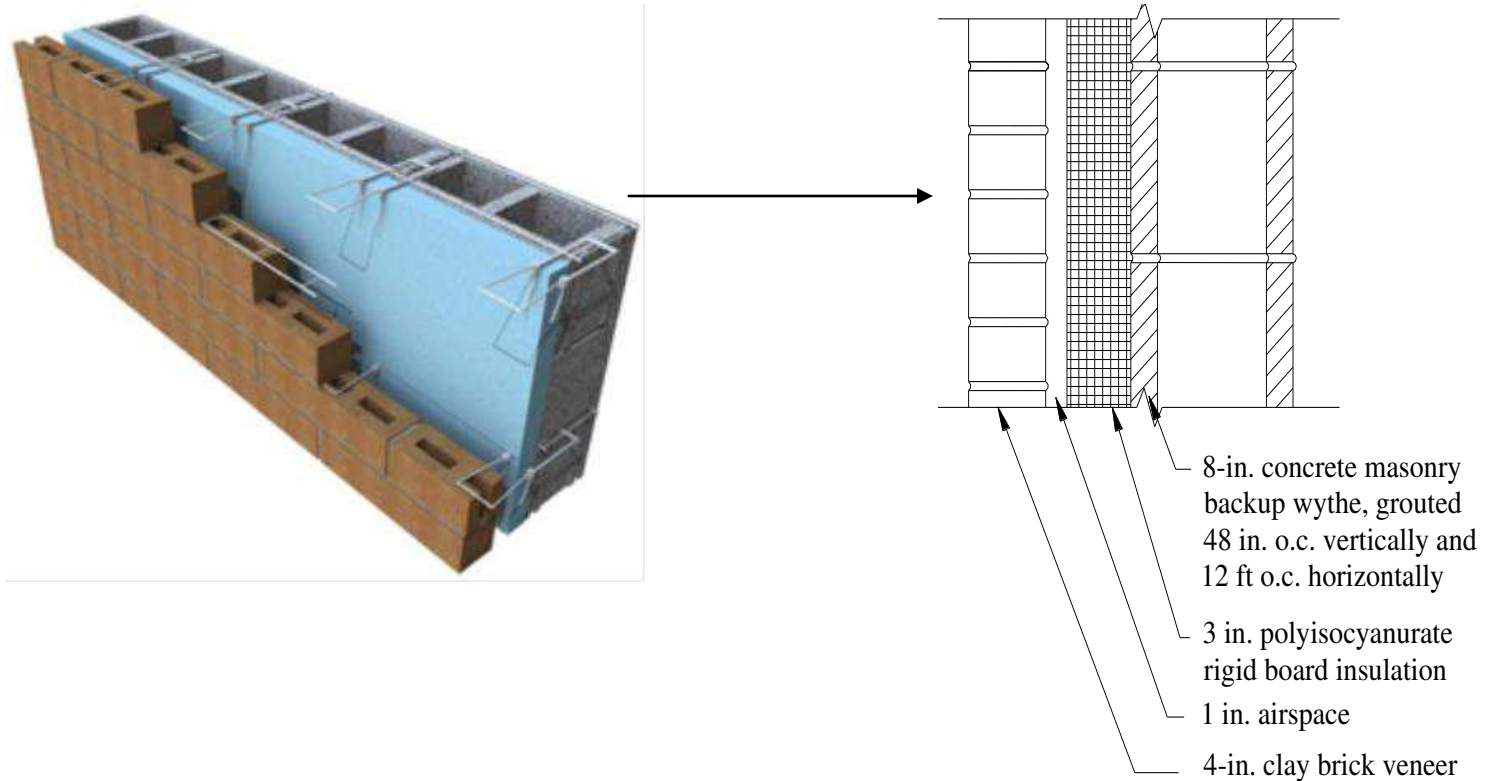


www.schoolclearinghouse.org) ~158,000 ft²

2 Story- Prototype

Evaluated Select Alternatives (ECM's):

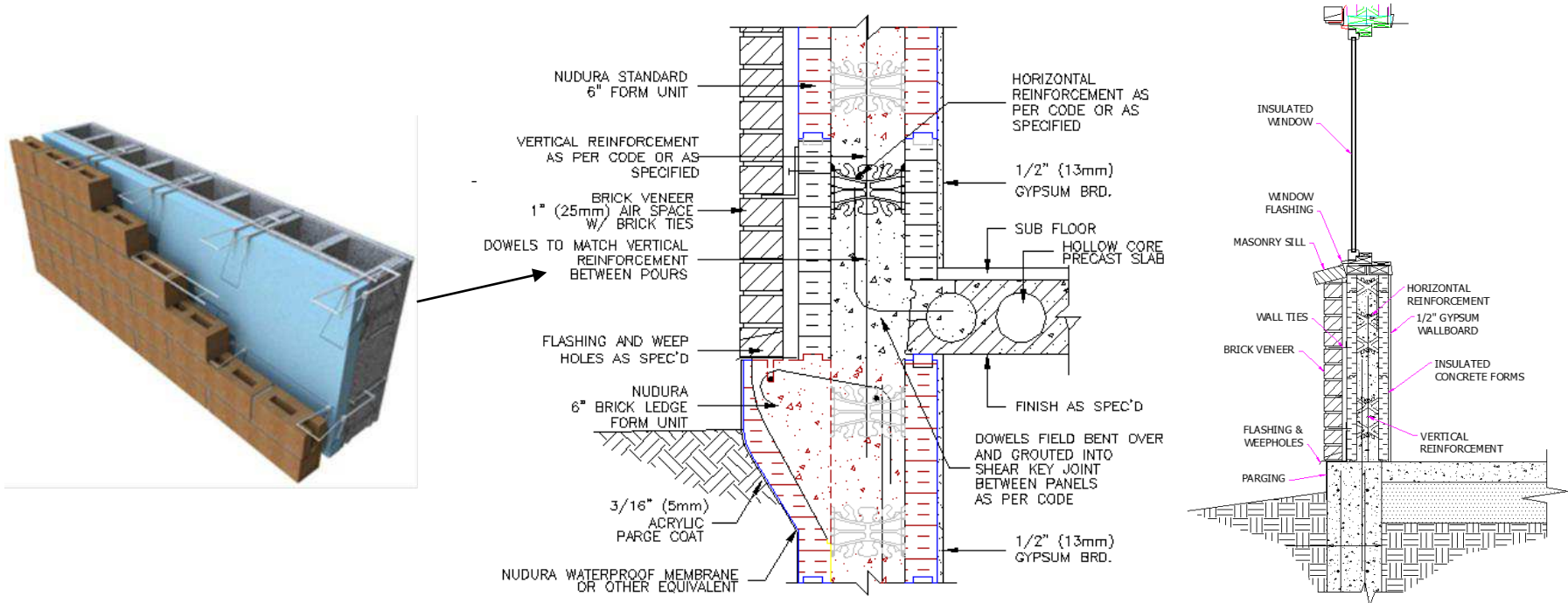
- Variety of Building Envelopes - Walls & roofs



Vary the exterior masonry cavity wall insulation: 1 ¼" thick polystyrene, 1 ½" thick polystyrene, 2" thick polyisocyanurate foam board, 3" polyisocyanurate foam board. **Over 100% swing in insulation values.**

Evaluated Select Alternatives (ECM's):

- Variety of Building Envelopes - Walls



Exterior CMU wall structure to an insulated concrete form (ICF) wall system; 4" face brick, air space, 1 1/2" polyurethane, 6" 140lb concrete, 1 1/2" polyurethane, and 1/2" gypsum board.

Investigated Energy Conservation Measures

- Each of the Mature alternative energy conservation measures (ECM's) technologies were incorporated into the building.
- Prototype building was re-analyzed using eQuest (DOE2) for each ECM singly and in groups - 5 KY cities. Holistic analysis – **Energy Budget Method**
- Conducted an economic differential cost analysis – Pay back and Self-funding

Energy Savings and Payback in Typical Middle School*

*Louisville, KY – other climates similar
 EUI – Energy Use Index (kBtu/SF)

Roof		
<u>Base R = 22</u> <i>pitched,</i> <u>R 26.3 flat</u>	%EUI Reduction from 132	Simple Payback (years)
R = 29.4 pitched, R 33.3 flat BUR	0.3%	160
R = 37.0 pitched, R 40 flat BUR	0.6%	189

Windows		
<u>Base U = .54/.64</u> <i>glass/frame</i>	%EUI reduction from 132	Simple Payback (years)
Higher U = .67/.69	0.0%	Lower initial cost
Lower U = .23/.31	0.2%	39

Walls		
<u>Base R = 9.1</u> <i>4" brick,</i> <i>8" CMU</i>	%EUI Reduction from 132	Simple Payback (years)
R = 13.3" 4" brick, 8" CMU	0.3%	<1.0
R = 25, 4" brick, 8" CMU	0.6%	75.3
ICF R = 22, 4" brick	0.5%	335
BVSS R = R37, 4" brick, 6" Steel Stud	0.6%	Potential lower initial cost**

Air Barriers		
<u>Base 0.5 Air change /hour</u>	%EUI Reduction from 132	Simple Payback (years)
0.2 Air change/hour	0.7%	52
0.1 Air change/hour	-0.1%	No return

** lower initial cost ignores structural steel frame costs and probable condensation and maintenance issues

For more details See: "Cost Effective Energy Efficient School Design" Report (McGinley 2011)

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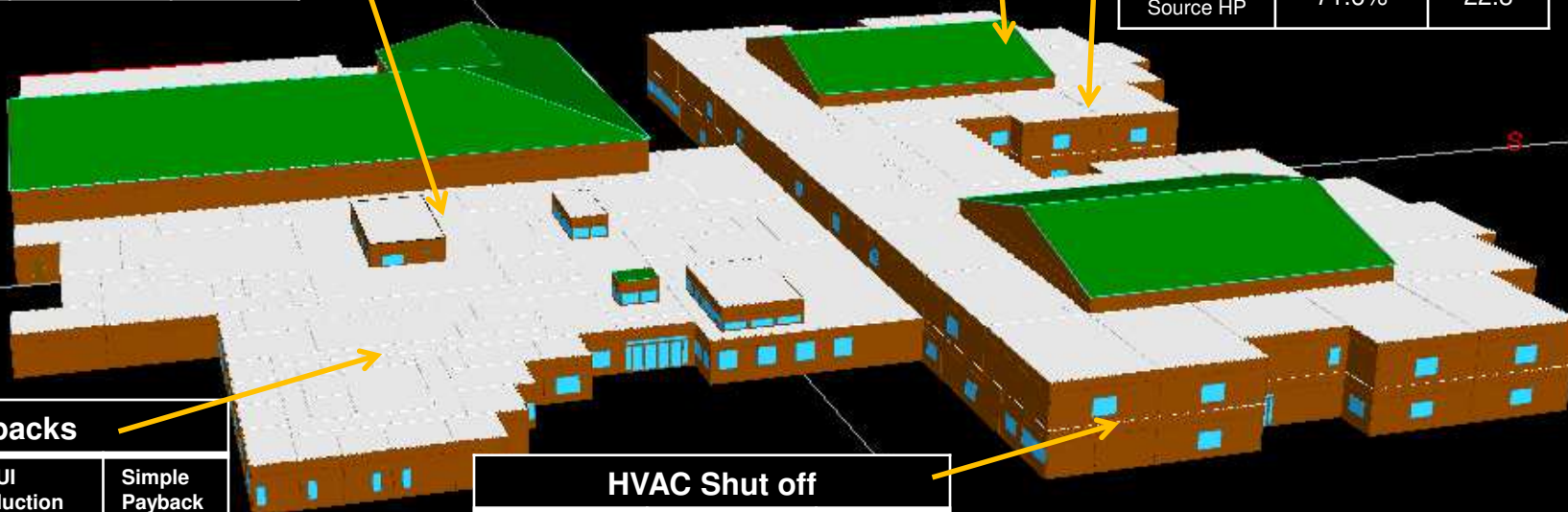
Boilers		
<u>Base 80%</u>	%EUI Reduction from 132	Simple Payback (years)
90%	6.5%	0.2

Combination Conventional		
<u>Base – see report</u>	%EUI reduction from 132	Simple Payback (years)
Conventional VAV All- R 13 walls, Set backs Orientation, Controls, etc.	58.5%	2.5

HVAC Systems		
<u>Base VAV Chiller Boiler</u>	%EUI reduction from 132	Simple Payback (years)
Water Source HP	69.8%	23.2
Ground Source HP	71.6%	22.8

Set backs		
<u>Base 64 and 80</u>	%EUI Reduction from 132	Simple Payback (years)
Increase set backs to 55 and 90	18.7%	No cost

HVAC Shut off		
<u>Run HVAC at Min Settings</u>	%EUI Reduction from 132	Simple Payback (years)
Turn off HVAC fans/pump 7pm -6am except as needed for set back temp	21.1%	2.8



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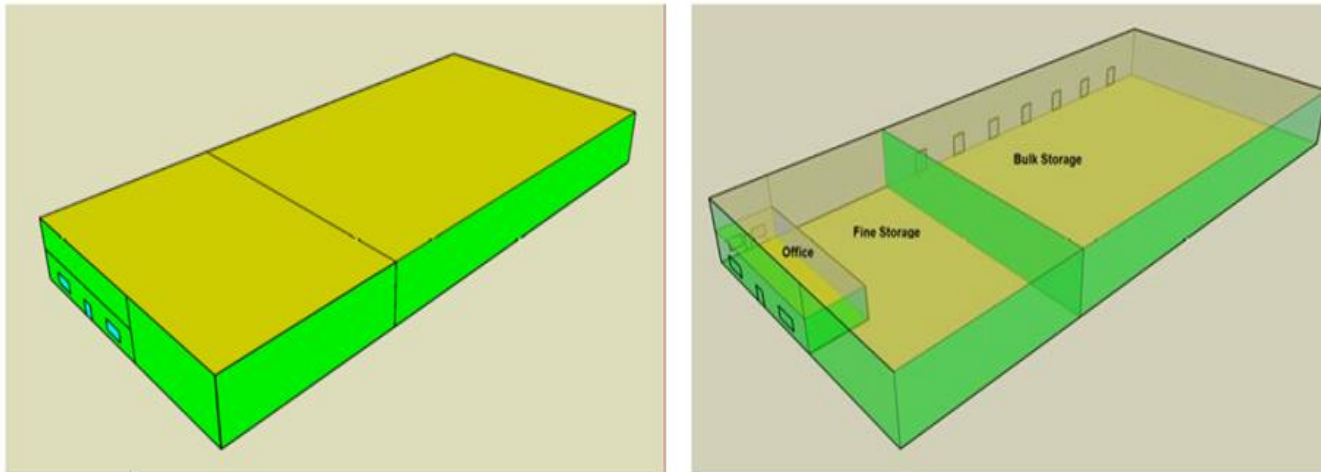
ALTERNATIVE ENERGY DESIGNS IN SINGLE WYTHE MASONRY BUILDINGS

- U of L looked at design alternatives to the simple prescriptive solutions offered by the energy code for three building archetypes that are typically constructed with single wythe masonry exterior wall systems.
- For each archetype, various code-compliant [ASHRAE 90.1 2010, NECB 2011] alternative construction configurations were examined for energy efficiencies, energy costs and construction costs (for various climate zones).
- Also conducted a differential capital cost and payback analysis
- Also looked at Canadian Code

Archetype 1 – Warehouse - US

One of 16 reference buildings used for the evaluation of energy analysis software by the Department of Energy and developed to be representative of over 80% of typical warehouse configurations [Deru, et-al 2011], [NREL 2013].

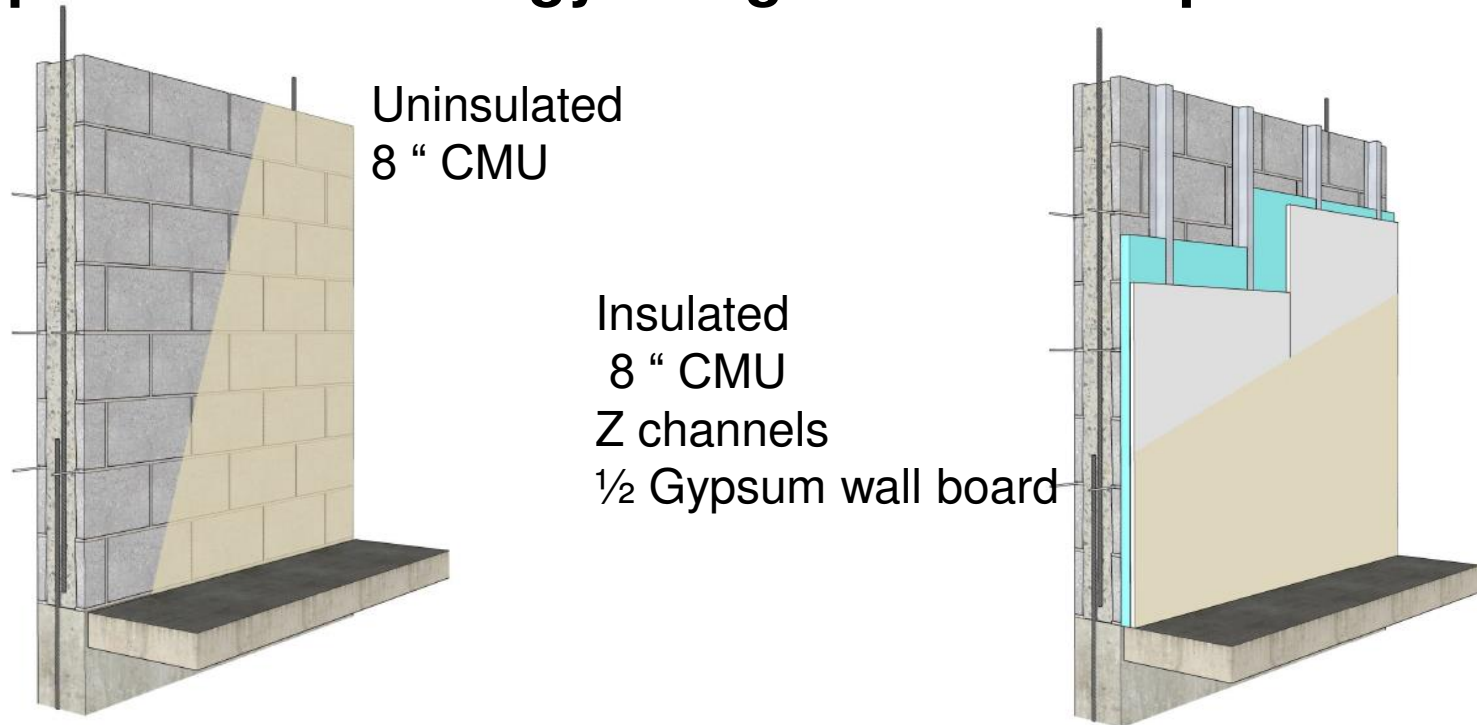
Prototype Warehouse for the Energy Modelling (≈ 50000 ft²)



Evaluated Climate Zones and cities.

City	State	Climate Zone	City	State	Climate Zone
Atlanta	Georgia	3A	Chicago	Illinois	5A
Las Vegas	Nevada	3B	Boulder	Colorado	5B
San Francisco	California	3C	Minneapolis	Minnesota	6A
Baltimore	Maryland	4A	Helena	Montana	6B
Albuquerque	New Mexico	4B	Duluth	Minnesota	7
Seattle	Washington	4C			

Prototype Warehouse BASELINE DESIGNS - US Configured to Code Prescriptive levels and Analyzed using the Energyplus program for cities in Table 1 as required in the Energy Budget Code Compliance method

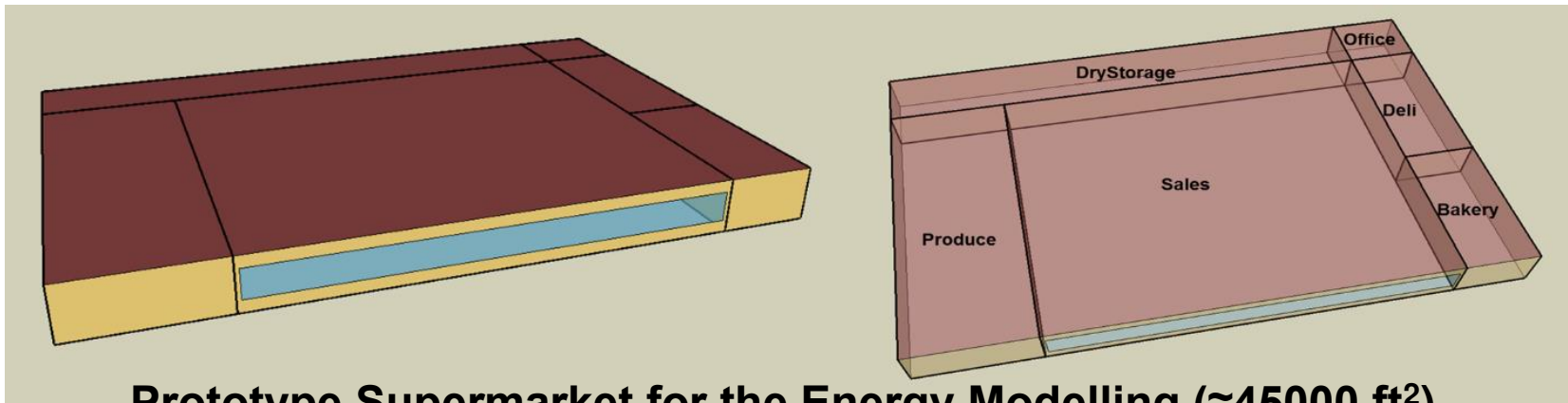


(Infiltration rate of 0.038 cfm/ft²)

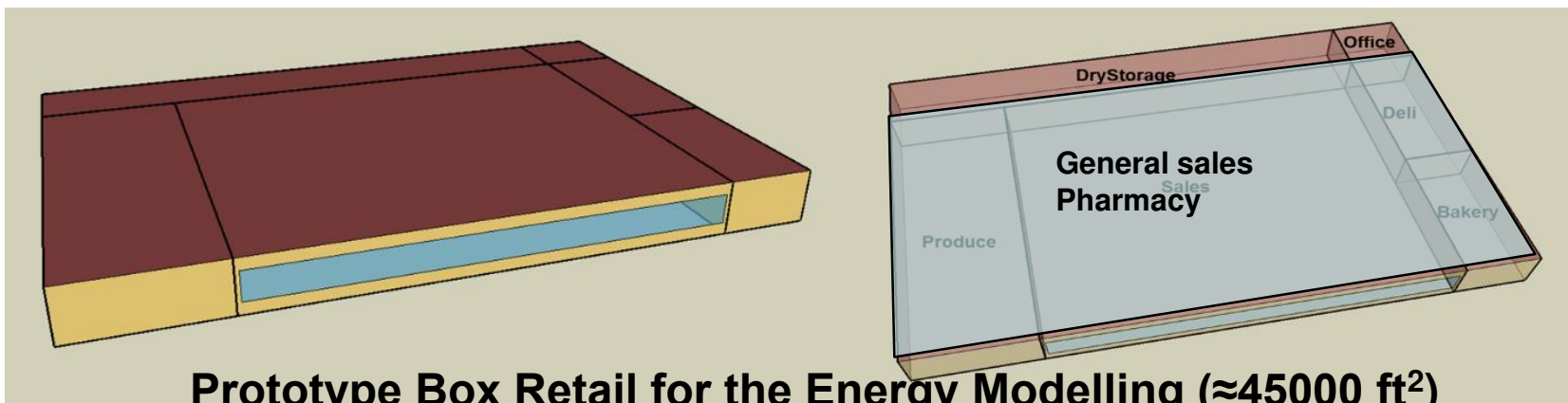
Some climate zone required the exterior walls of the bulk storage to be insulated, some did not. The office and fine storage areas were insulated with varying R values

Archetype 2 &3 Supermarket & Box Retail-US

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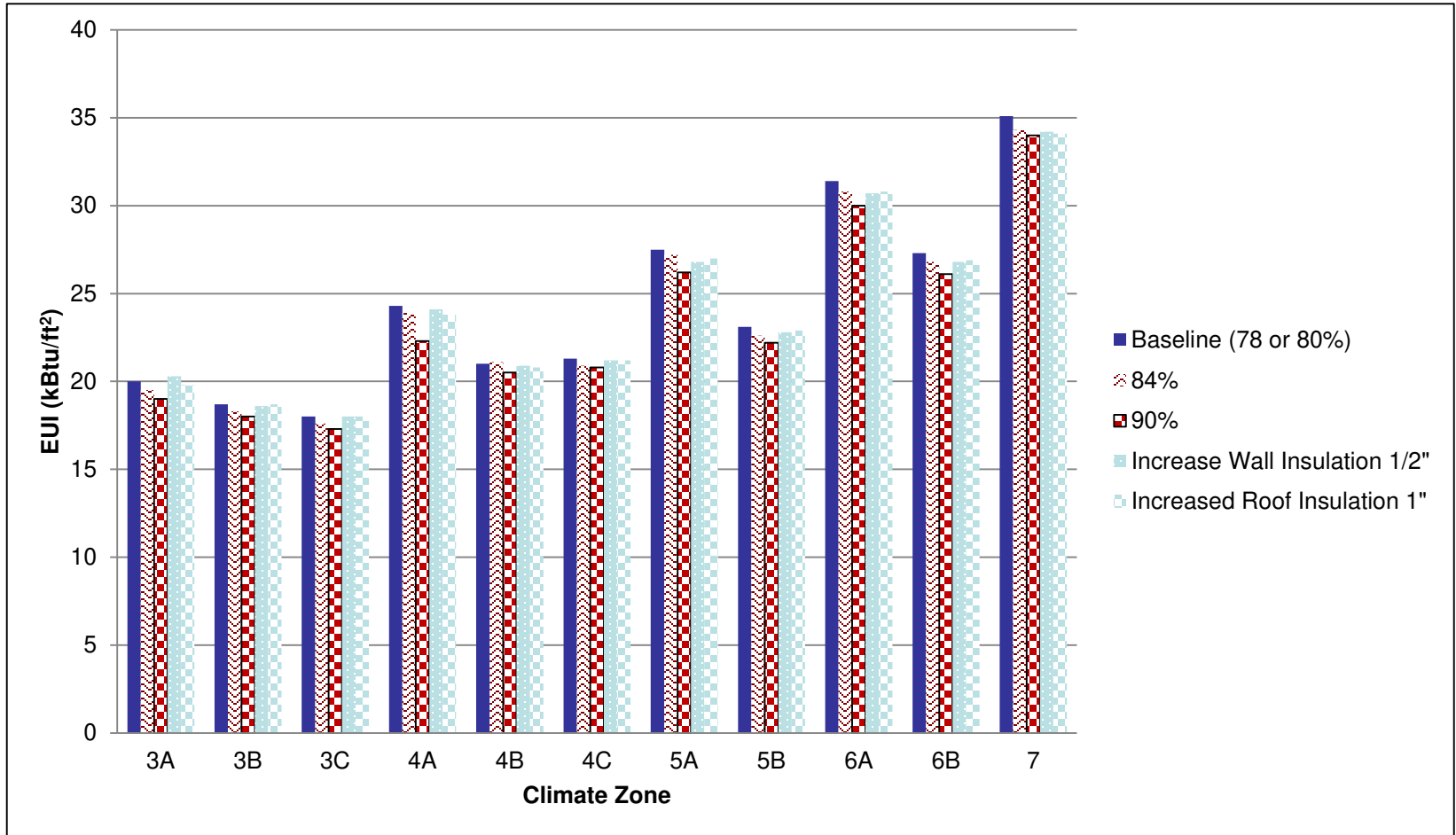


Prototype Supermarket for the Energy Modelling (≈ 45000 ft²)



Prototype Box Retail for the Energy Modelling (≈ 45000 ft²)

Warehouse Sensitivity Analysis- US



Energy Use Intensities: Wall and Roof Insulation vs. Heating Efficiency
Less effect of insulation more effect of HVAC efficiency

Warehouse Sensitivity Analysis- US



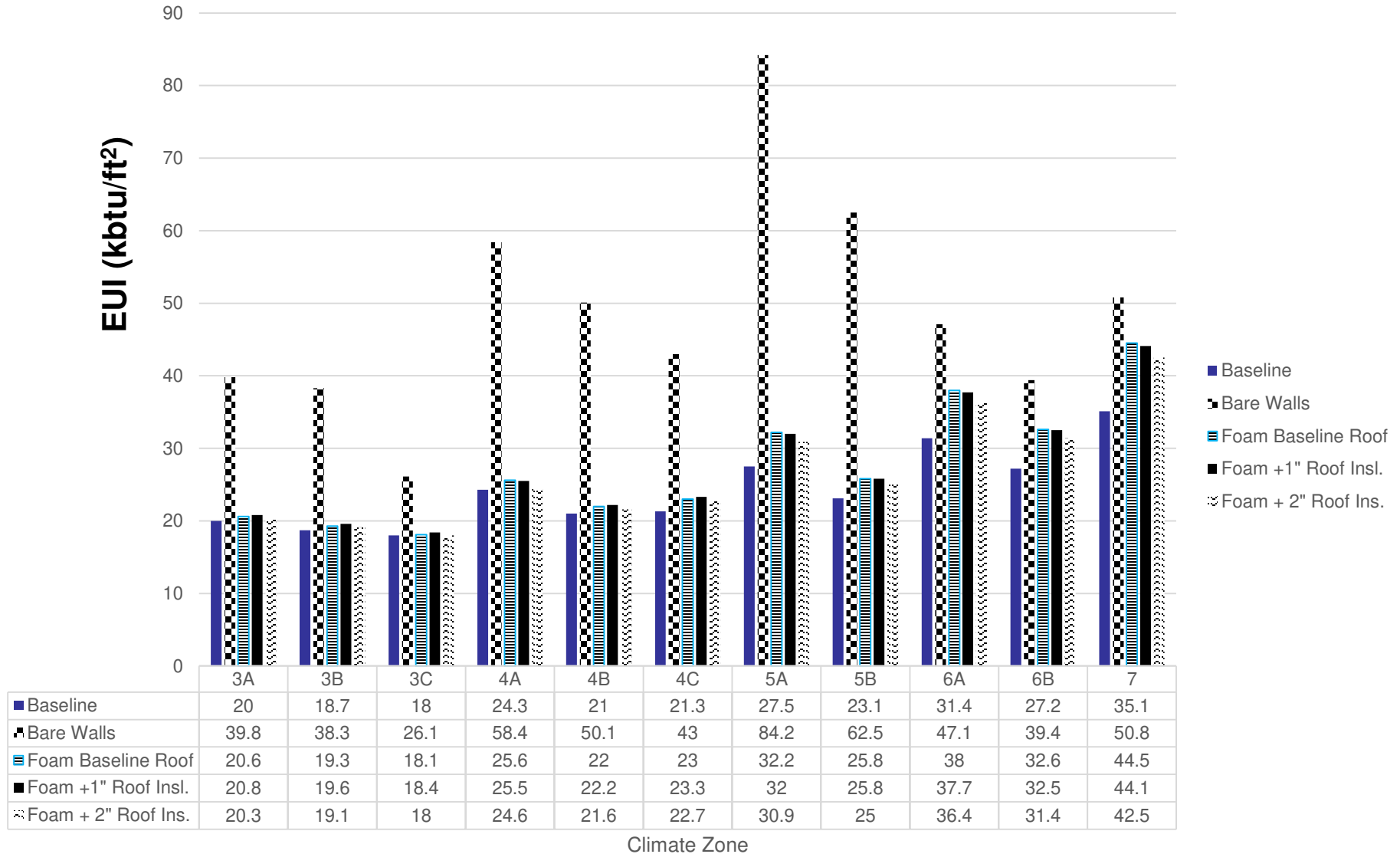
8" CMU wall, partially grouted and reinforced at 48 inches OC -all other cores filled with foam insulation

By NCMA TEK Note 6B [14] U- and R-values = $0.287 \text{ Btu/ft}^2\text{-h-}^\circ\text{F}$ and $3.48 \text{ ft}^2\text{-h-}^\circ\text{F/Btu}$

This is a significant decrease in thermal transmittance when compared to the bare masonry wall (with U-value of $0.580 \text{ Btu/ft}^2\text{-h-}^\circ\text{F}$ -partially grouted).

(8" CMU wall having a continuous insulation of $R-7.2 \text{ ft}^2\text{-h-}^\circ\text{F/ Btu}$ (U-value of $0.125 \text{ Btu/ft}^2\text{-h-}^\circ\text{F}$)).

Warehouse Sensitivity Analysis- US



Alternative Designs US Code Compliance - Warehouse

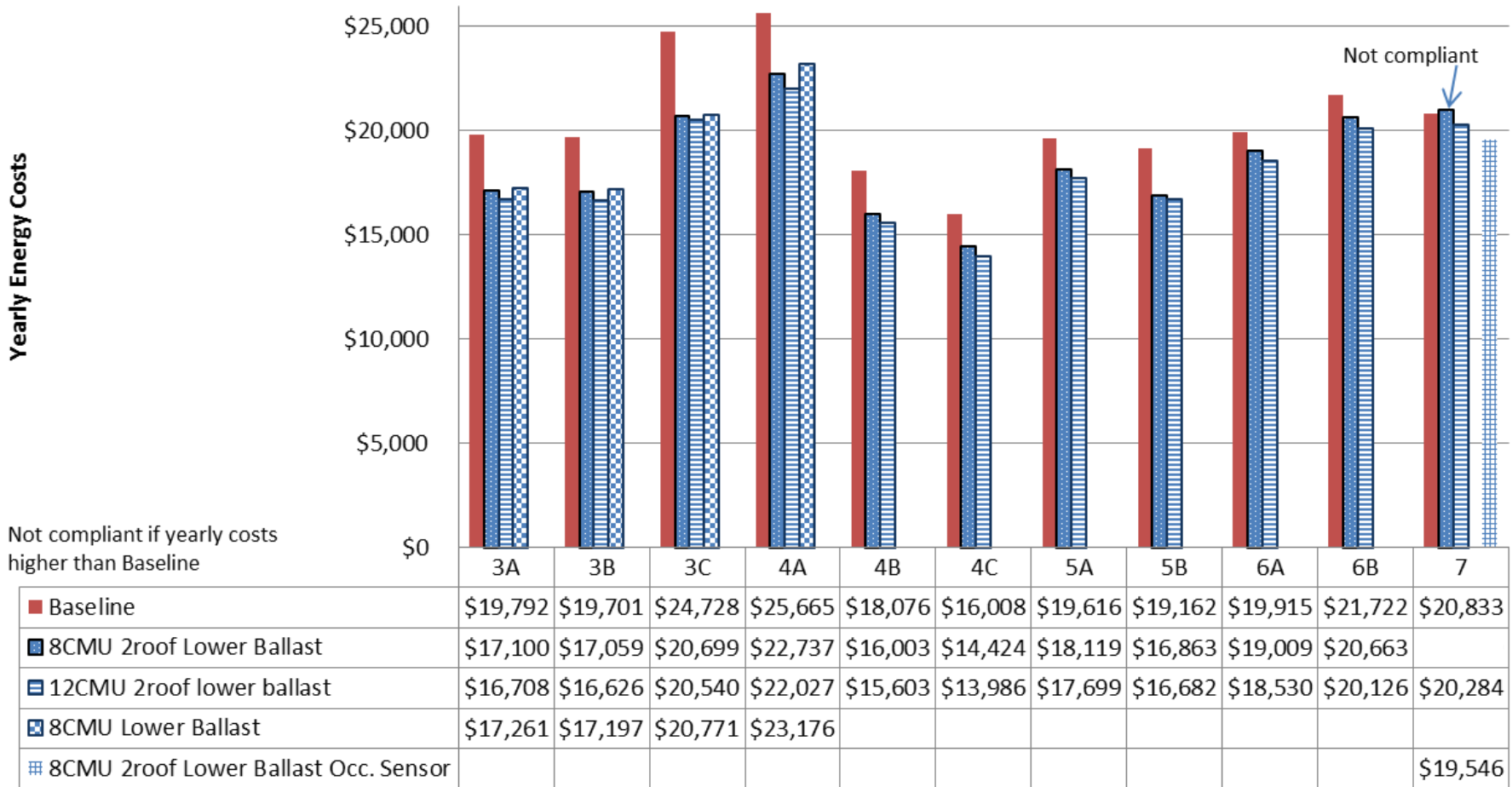
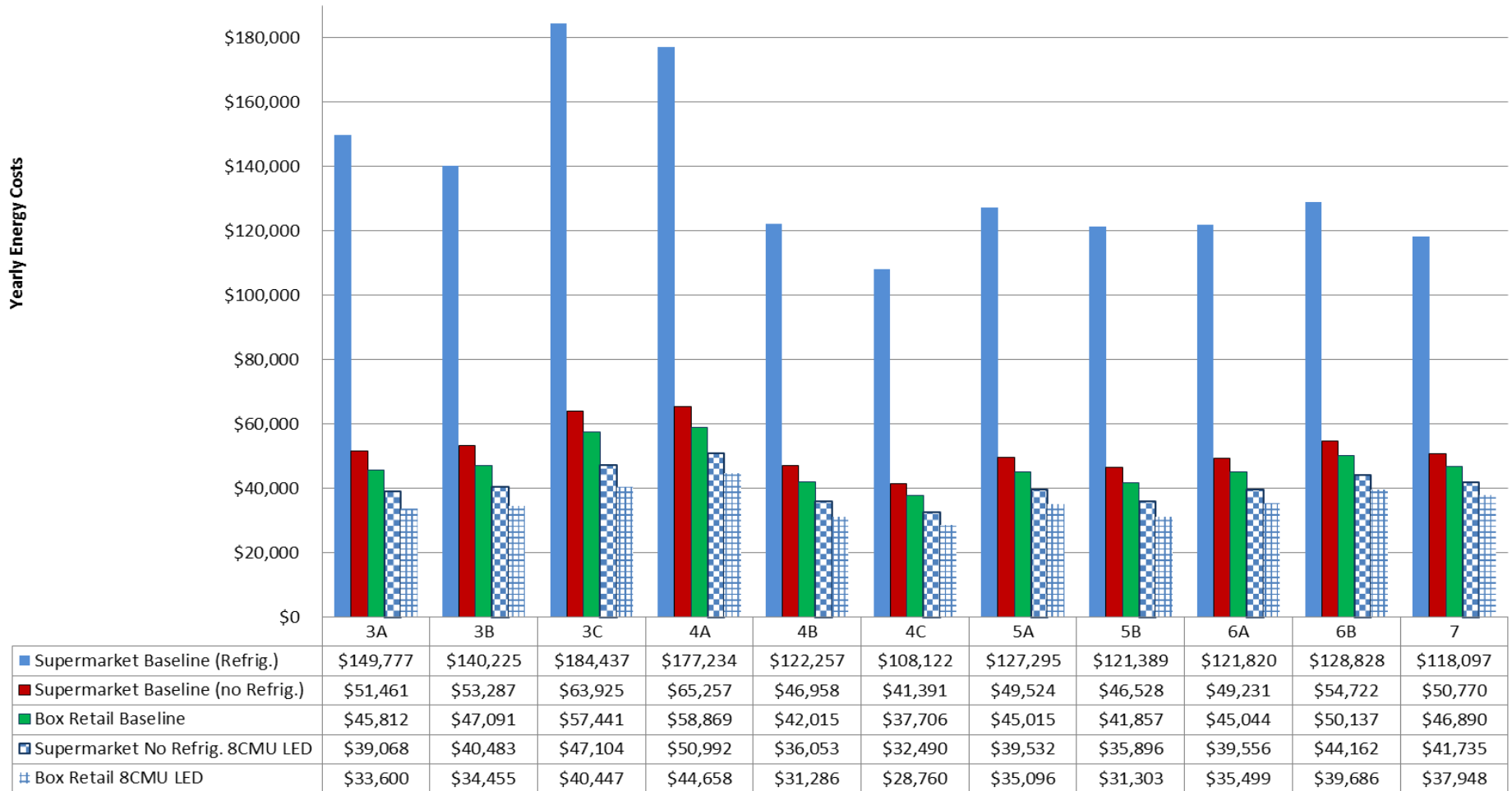


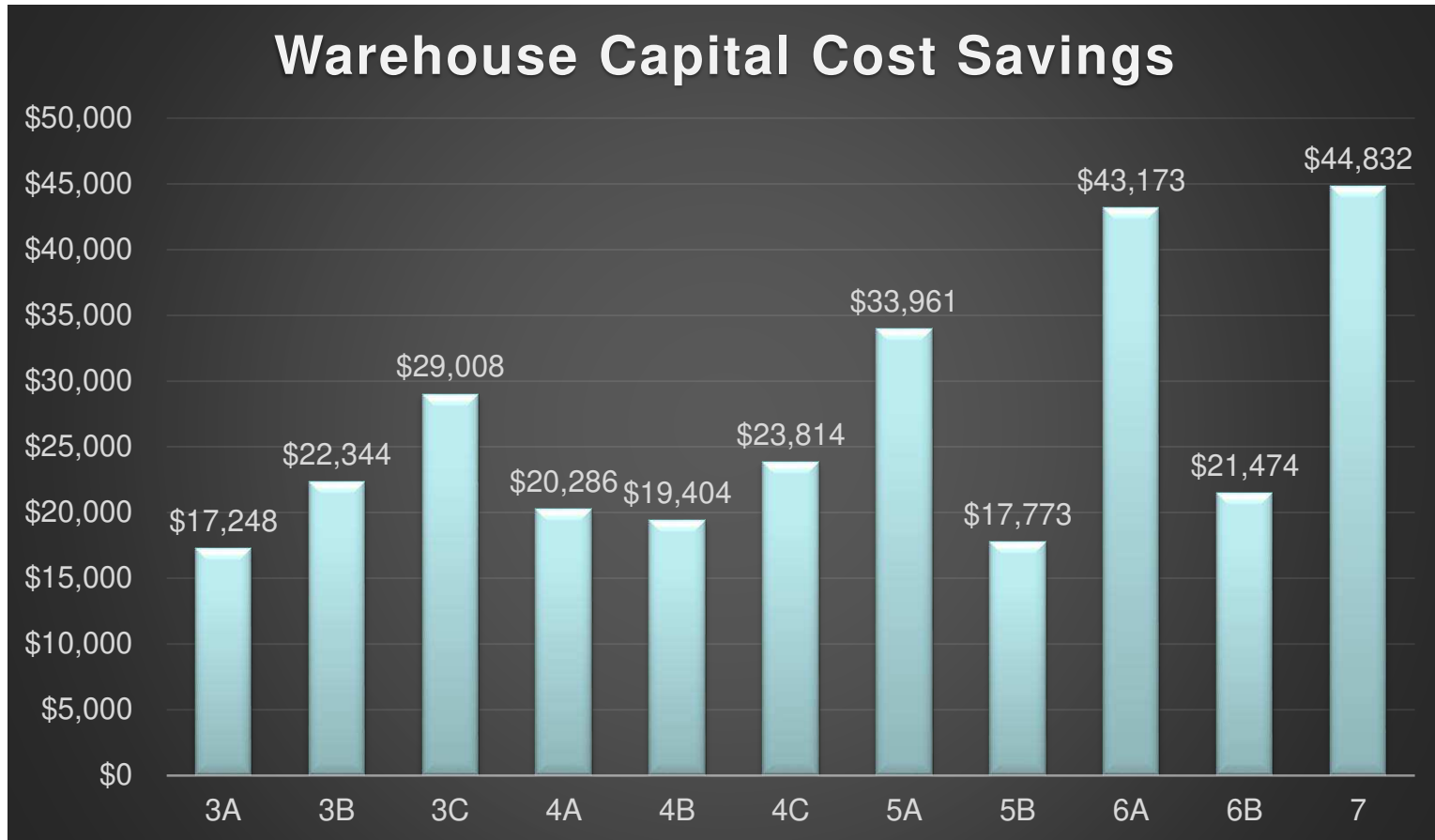
Figure: Yearly Prototype Warehouse Energy Costs. (based on State Averages)

Alternative Designs US Code Compliance- Supermarket-Box Retail



Yearly Prototype Energy Costs.

Alternative Designs US Differential Construction Cost

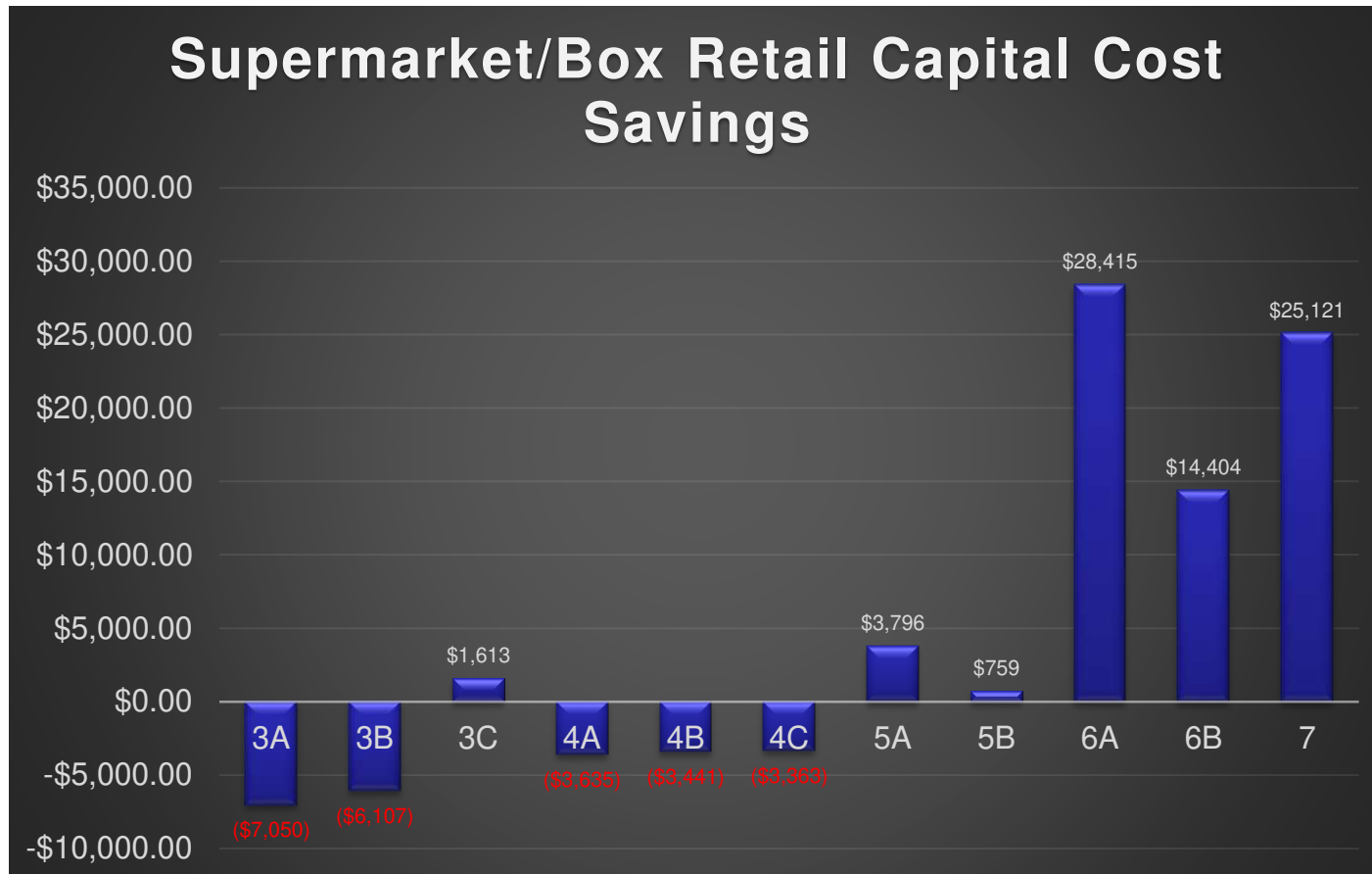


**8" CMU Foam core Walls, Lower Ballast Factors
For 4B and above - +2" Roof insulation
For 7 - Occupancy Sensors**

Alternative Designs US

Differential Construction Cost

Construction Cost Savings of Alternative Designs Box Retail and Supermarkets – 8” CMU Foamed wall and LED Lights



Conclusions

- Prescriptive Methods can be used but assembly U values may be the best way to achieve this especially with 8" or 12" CMU and foamed cores, or two web blocks.
- COM check – Envelope trade offs can work where your designs are close to prescriptive code configurations. Use OTHER Walls.
- Energy Budget method showed significant potential energy savings of over 50% for typical prescriptive configurations. Better lighting, HVAC systems and aggressive control strategies -paybacks < 3 years.

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