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What is a Building?

A Building is an Environmental Separator

- Control heat flow
- Control airflow
- Control water vapor flow
- Control rain
- Control ground water
- Control light and solar radiation
- Control noise and vibrations
- Control contaminants, environmental hazards and odors
- Control insects, rodents and vermin
- Control fire
- Provide strength and rigidity
- Be durable
- Be aesthetically pleasing
- Be economical

Zeroth Law – $A=B$ and $B=C$ therefore $A=C$

First Law - Conservation of Energy

Second Law - Entropy

Third Law – Absolute Zero

2nd Law of Thermodynamics

In an isolated system, a process can occur only if it increases the total entropy of the system

Rudolf Clausius

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





Exposure	
Extreme	Over 60"
High	40" - 60"
Moderate	20" - 40"
Low	Under 20"

Water Control Layer

Air Control Layer

Vapor Control Layer

Thermal Control Layer

























































































































