

CAE 331/513

Building Science

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Introduction to Building Science

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Objectives for today's lecture

- Introduce myself
- Introduce course topics
- Introduce yourselves
- Discuss syllabus
 - Course information, outline, schedule, ground rules
 - Why are we all here?
- Introduce fundamentals of building science

About me

- B.S.E., Civil Engineering
 - Tennessee Tech University, 2007
- M.S.E., Environmental and Water Resources Engineering
 - The University of Texas at Austin, 2009
 - Thesis: “Energy implications of filtration in residential and light-commercial buildings”
- Ph.D., Civil Engineering
 - The University of Texas at Austin, 2012
 - Dissertation: “Characterizing the impacts of air-conditioning systems, filters, and building envelopes on exposures to indoor pollutants and energy consumption in residential and light-commercial buildings”
- Work experience relevant to this course
 - NSF IGERT Fellow in Indoor Environmental Science in Engineering
 - Energy intern at Southface Energy Institute in Atlanta, GA

The **Built Environment Research Group** in the **Department of Civil, Architectural, and Environmental Engineering at Illinois Tech** is dedicated to investigating energy and air quality within the built environment

Research areas:

Indoor pollutant dynamics

Building science measurements and methods

Air cleaning and filtration

Human exposure assessment

Building energy efficiency and energy simulation

Read more online:

<http://built-envi.com>



Course information

CAE 331/513: Building Science

Course Unique Number(s)

- CAE 331 Section 01: 10123 (undergraduate)
- CAE 513 Section 01: 11125 (graduate in-class)
- CAE 513 Section 02: 11500 (graduate online)

Classroom and Meeting Time

- Wishnick Hall, Room 117
- Tuesdays and Thursdays 1:50 PM – 3:05 PM

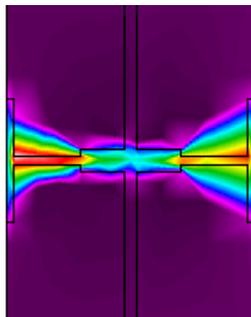
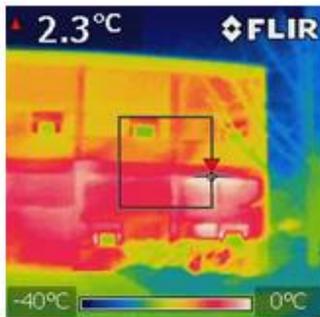
Prerequisites

- CAE 209 Thermal Fluids Engineering II, or MMAE 322 Heat and Mass Transfer, or CHE 302 Heat and Mass Transfer Operations

Course information

Course Catalog Description

- Study of the physical interaction of climate (humidity, temperature, wind, sun, rain, snow, etc.) and buildings. Topics include psychrometrics, indoor air quality, indoor thermal comfort, heat transfer, air infiltration, solar insolation, and heating and cooling load calculation.



Course objectives

To introduce students to physical phenomena that affect building design and performance. By taking this course students will be able to:

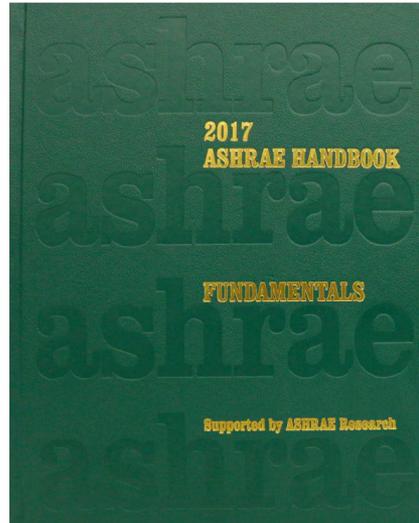
1. Describe the role of building components and building environmental systems in energy consumption, peak electricity demand, thermal comfort, and human exposures to indoor airborne pollutants.
2. Describe and quantify fundamental heat and mass transfer properties and processes in buildings, including conduction, convection, radiation, psychrometrics, basic thermodynamics of refrigeration systems, and mass and energy balances.
3. Calculate peak heating and cooling loads and annual energy use for buildings using commercially available software.
4. Understand types of HVAC equipment for residential and commercial construction and how they operate.
5. Understand fundamental ventilation and indoor air quality concepts.
6. Understand strategies to improve energy efficiency in buildings.
7. Understand relevant codes and standards for energy efficiency in buildings.
8. Critically analyze claims about building components and environmental systems from product manufacturers, contractors, and building designers.

Required text

ASHRAE 2017 Handbook of Fundamentals

American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and
Air-Conditioning Engineers

<https://www.ashrae.org/resources--publications/handbook/2017-ashrae-handbook-fundamentals>



- \$209 for non-ASHRAE members
- \$49 for ASHRAE student members
- ASHRAE student membership: \$25
 - **Total (membership + HoF): \$74**
- You should purchase the IP unit hard copy version of this (**email me/come to my office**)
 - Comes with IP/SI CD

Additional references

- I will also draw on several other references in this course:
 - You **do not** need to purchase these

ASHRAE 90.1-2013. *Energy Standard for Buildings Except Low-Rise Residential Buildings*.

Janis, R.R. and Tao, W.K.Y. 2009. *Mechanical and Electrical Systems in Buildings*. Pearson Prentice Hall. ISBN: 978-0-13-513013-1.

Kuehn, T.H., Ramsey, J.W., and Threlkeld, J.L. 1998. *Thermal Environmental Engineering*. Prentice Hall. ISBN: 0-13-917220-3.

McQuiston, F.C., Parker, J.D., and Spitler, J.D. 2005. *Heating, ventilating, and air conditioning: analysis and design*. John Wiley & Sons, Inc. ISBN: 0-471-47015-5.

Mitchell, J.W. and Braun, J.E. 2013. *Principles of Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning in Buildings*. John Wiley & Sons, Inc. ISBN: 978-0-470-62457-9.

Moss, K.J. 2007. *Heat and Mass Transfer in Buildings* (Second Edition). Taylor & Francis. ISBN: 978-0-415-40908-7.

Reddy, T.A., Kreider, J.F., Curtiss, P.S., and Rabl, A. *Heating and Cooling of Buildings: Principles and Practice of Energy Efficient Design* (3rd Edition), CRC Press, Taylor & Francis Group. ISBN: 978-1439899892.

Straube, J. and Burnett, E. 2005. *Building Science for Building Enclosures*. Building Science Press. ISBN: 0-9755127-4-9.

Wang, S.K. 2000. *Handbook of air conditioning and refrigeration* (2nd edition). McGraw-Hill. ISBN: 0-07-068167-8.

Major course topics

- Importance of building science
- Applications of heat transfer in buildings
- Human thermal comfort
- HVAC systems basics
- Psychrometrics – properties and processes
- Ventilation, infiltration, and indoor air quality
- Building energy balances
- Heating and cooling load calculations
- Building energy simulation
- Introduction to energy efficient building design
- Codes and standards for building energy performance

About you

- Who are you?
 - First and last name
 - Where are you from?
- Degree info
 - Undergraduate or graduate?
 - Engineering or other?
 - If graduate, masters or PhD?

Course expectations

- Grading
 - This course is mixed undergraduate/graduate
 - No differences in HW or exams between UG/G
- Homework
 - **Six HW** assignments are planned throughout the semester
 - 100 pts each; individual assignments
- **Three closed-book exams (tentative schedule)**
 - Thursday, September 19, 2019
 - Thursday, October 24, 2019
 - Final exam (comprehensive): TBD (finals week)
 - Online students: I prefer that you be able to take the exams in class
 - Otherwise, arrange with a local testing center

Why a mixed UG/G course?

For undergraduate students:

- We are trying to help you adapt your basic physics and engineering knowledge to buildings
 - And to build a solid foundation for more advanced courses in architectural engineering

For graduate students (with a wide range of backgrounds):

- We are also trying to help you advance your physics and engineering knowledge to apply to buildings
 - And to build a foundation for advanced study, professional practice, and/or research in architectural engineering
 - Primarily reserved for graduate students without significant building science or architectural engineering background

Course grading

	Undergraduate (331)	Graduate (513)
Assignment	Max points	Max points
• HW	600	600
• Exam 1	250	250
• Exam 2	250	250
• Final exam	300	300
• Final project	n/a	300
• Total	1400	1700

Grading scale for both CAE 331 and CAE 513:

A	B	C	D	F
90% and up	80.0-89.9%	70.0-79.9%	60.0-69.9%	<60.0%

Course grading: Graduate students (CAE 513)

- There is an **additional deliverable** for graduate students
 - Graduate students will be required to complete a technical research project in addition to the regular HW and exam requirements
 - The project will involve researching, writing a literature review, and conducting a technical analysis on a specific topic in building science
 - Final deliverable: written technical research paper

Course website

- I will post all HWs, exams, lecture notes, syllabus, and other materials to **Blackboard (BB)**
 - <https://blackboard.iit.edu>

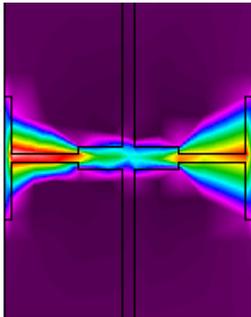
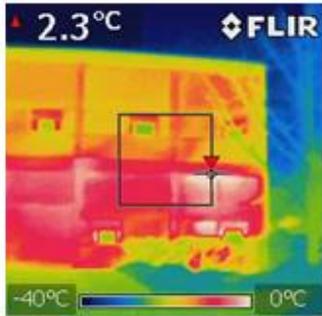
Tentative course schedule (continuously revised)

Week	Lecture	Date	Lecture Topics	HW Due	Handbook chapter
1	1	Aug 20	Introduction to building science		Chapter 34, 38
	2	Aug 22	Pre-requisite review, energy concepts, and units		
2	3	Aug 27	Heat transfer in buildings: conduction part 1		Chapter 4, 25, 26
	4	Aug 29	Heat transfer in buildings: conduction part 2	HW1	
3	5	Sep 3	Heat transfer in buildings: convection		
	6	Sep 5	Heat transfer in buildings: radiation		
4	7	Sep 10	Heat transfer in buildings: combined modes		
	8	Sep 12	Heat transfer in buildings: fenestration	HW2	
5	-	Sep 17	Exam review: example problems		
	-	Sep 19	Exam 1		
6	9	Sep 24	Human thermal comfort		Chapter 9
	10	Sep 26	Psychrometrics: fundamentals and chart		Chapter 1
7	11	Oct 1	Psychrometrics: equations		
	12	Oct 3	Introduction to HVAC systems part 1		
8	13	Oct 8	Mechanical systems and psychrometric processes	HW3	Chapter 1
	14	Oct 10	Mechanical systems and psychrometric processes		
9	15	Oct 15	Mechanical systems and psychrometric processes		
	16	Oct 17	Introduction to HVAC systems part 2	HW4	
10	-	Oct 22	Hands-on building investigation and exam review		
	-	Oct 24	Exam 2		
11	17	Oct 29	Ventilation and indoor air quality		Chapter 10, 11
	18	Oct 31	Ventilation and indoor air quality		
12	19	Nov 5	Infiltration and natural ventilation		Chapter 16
	20	Nov 7	Building energy balances: fundamentals	HW5	Chapter 14, 17, 18
13	21	Nov 12	Energy balances: heating load calculations		
	22	Nov 14	Energy balances: cooling load calculations		
14	23	Nov 19	Energy balances: annual energy simulations		
	24	Nov 21	Energy efficient building design	HW6	Chapter 19
15	25	Nov 26	Building codes, standards, and guidelines		Chapter 35
	-	Nov 28	<i>No class – Thanksgiving Day</i>		
Final	-	TBD	Final exam, week of Dec 2		
		Dec 8	Graduate student projects due Sun@11:59 pm	Grad projects	

Office hours

- Office hours are primarily by appointment
- Office: Alumni Hall 228E
- Email me to schedule an appointment
 - brent@iit.edu

Questions so far?



INTRODUCTION TO BUILDING SCIENCE

What is building science?

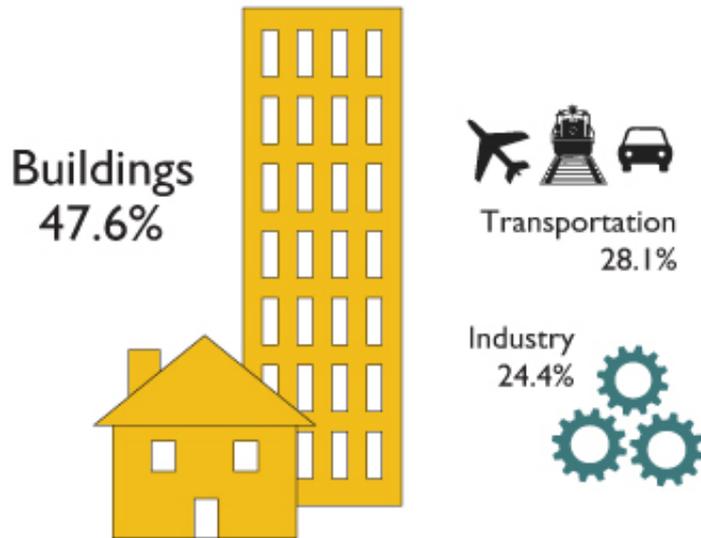
Building science is the application of physics to buildings and the built environment

- Building science involves studying all of the physical phenomena that govern energy use, human comfort, function, and overall performance of buildings
- Building science requires complete understanding of:
 - Weather conditions, subterranean (soil) conditions, building material characteristics, physics, chemistry, biology, and human physiology
 - Each of these combines to influence energy consumption, environmental impacts, environmental control, system design, maintenance, construction, building longevity, human comfort and health, and overall sustainability

Why study building science?

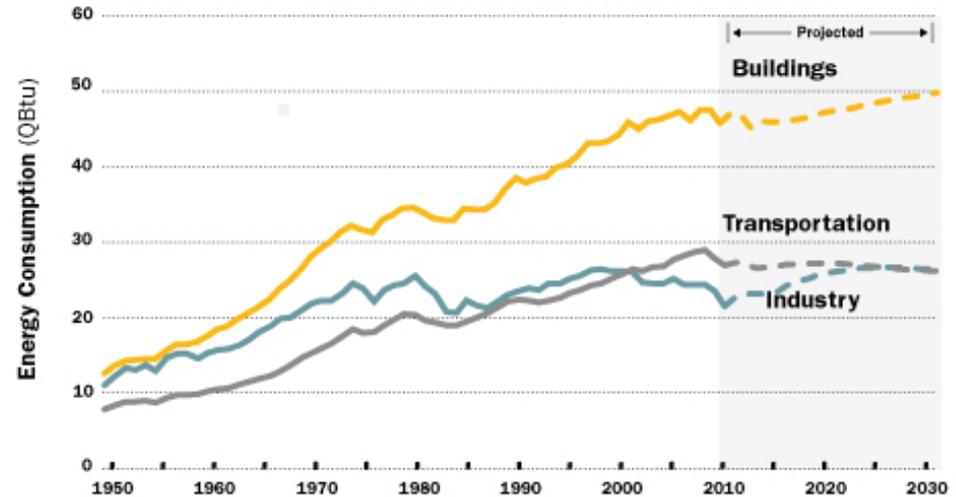
- How many of you are in a building right now?
 - Birds build nests
 - Rabbits dig holes
 - People build buildings
- How much energy do buildings use in the U.S.?
- How much money do we spend on energy use in buildings in the U.S.?
- How much time do you think people spend indoors, on average?

Buildings use *a lot* of energy



U.S. Energy Consumption by Sector

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U.S. Energy Consumption by Sector (Historic / Projected)

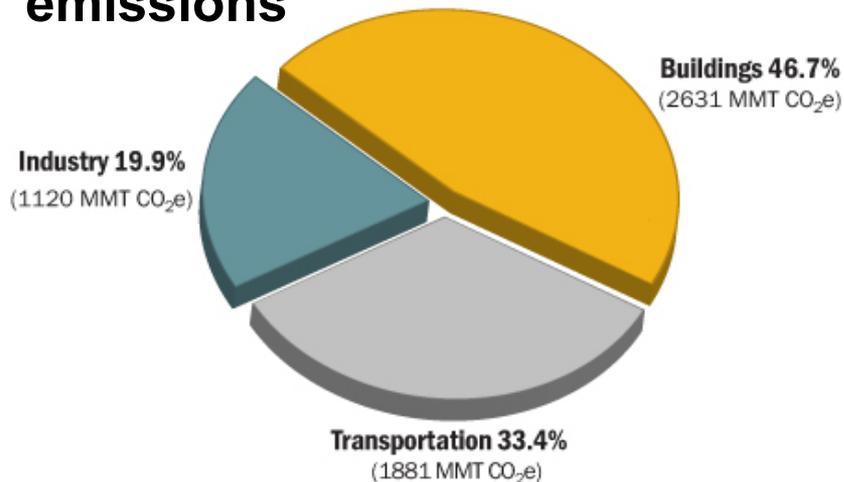
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**Buildings account for ~47% of energy in the U.S.
(Operations: ~41% | Construction and materials: ~6%)**

**Buildings in the U.S. account for ~7% of the total amount of energy
used in the *world***

Buildings account for *a lot* of GHG and pollutant emissions

Contribution to greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions



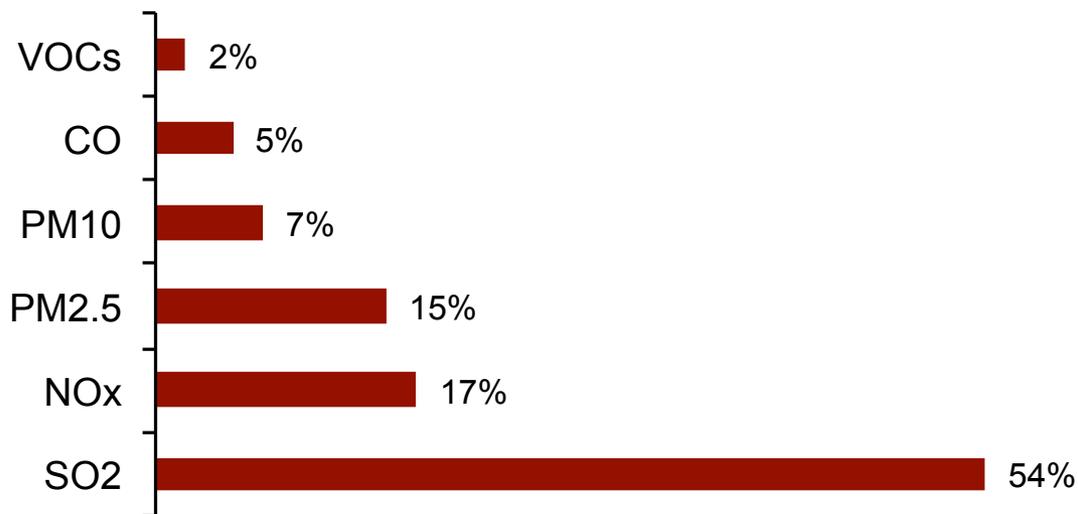
U.S. CO₂ Emissions by Sector

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Major energy uses?

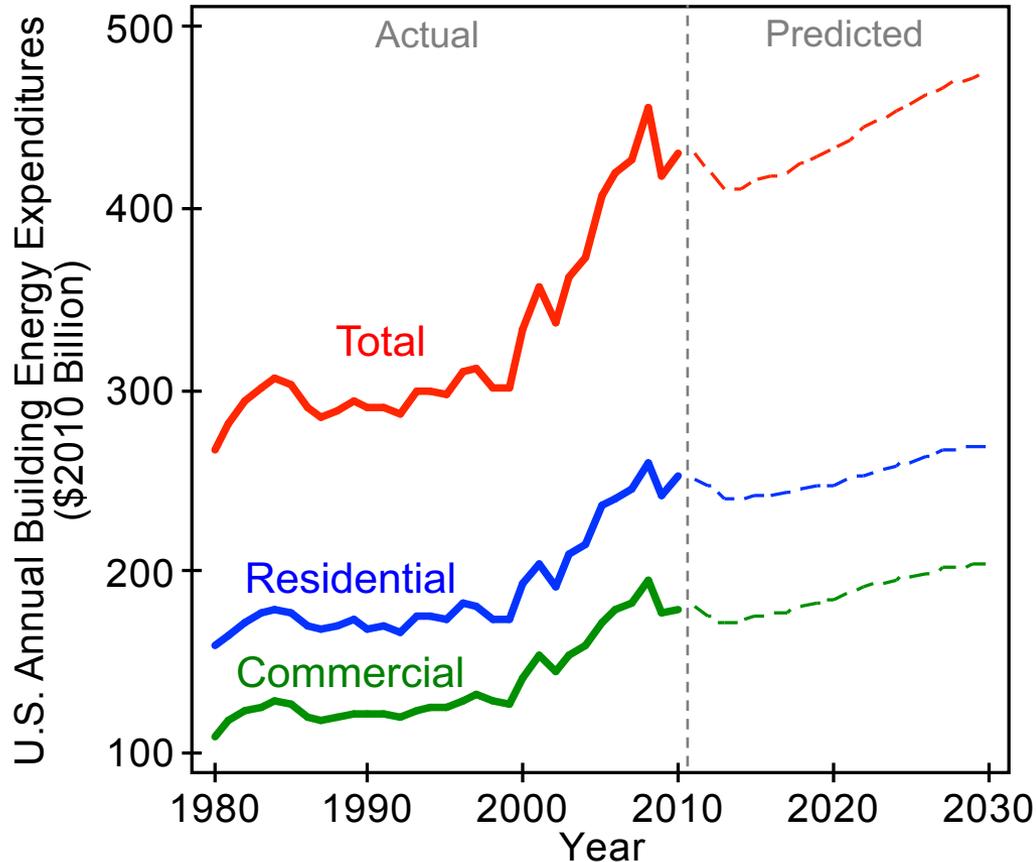
1. Heating
2. Cooling
3. Lighting
4. Water heating

Contribution to outdoor air pollution



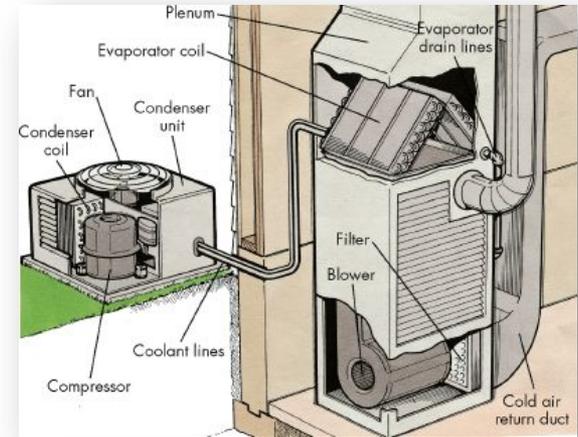
Percent contribution by U.S. buildings

Building energy use costs *a lot* of money



U.S. building energy expenditures totaled
~\$430 billion in 2010

Approximately 3% of our GDP

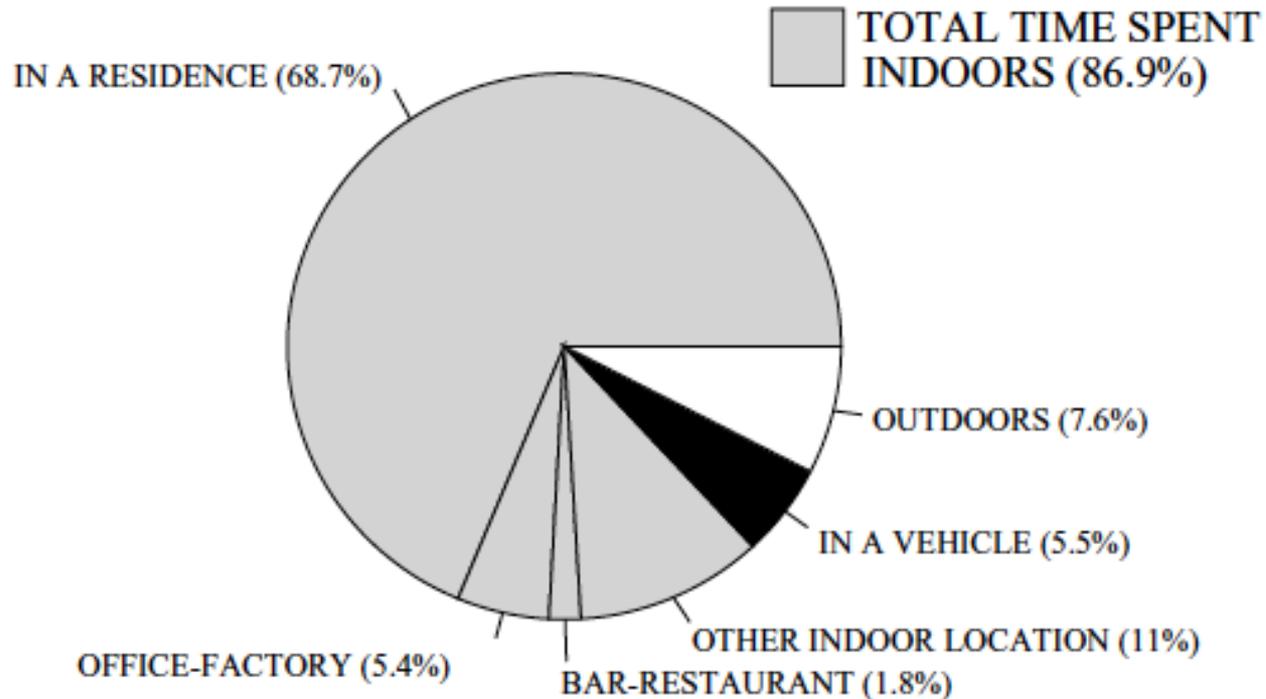


Approximately 1/3 of
building energy use is for
space conditioning
~1% of our GDP is spent on
heating and cooling
buildings

We spend *a lot* of time in buildings

NHAPS - Nation, Percentage Time Spent

Total n = 9,196



- Americans spend almost 90% of their time indoors
 - 75% at home or in an office

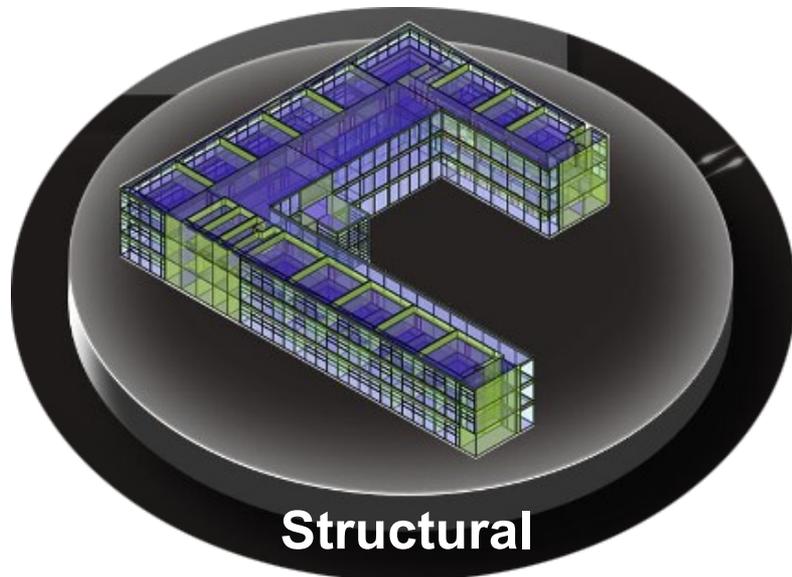
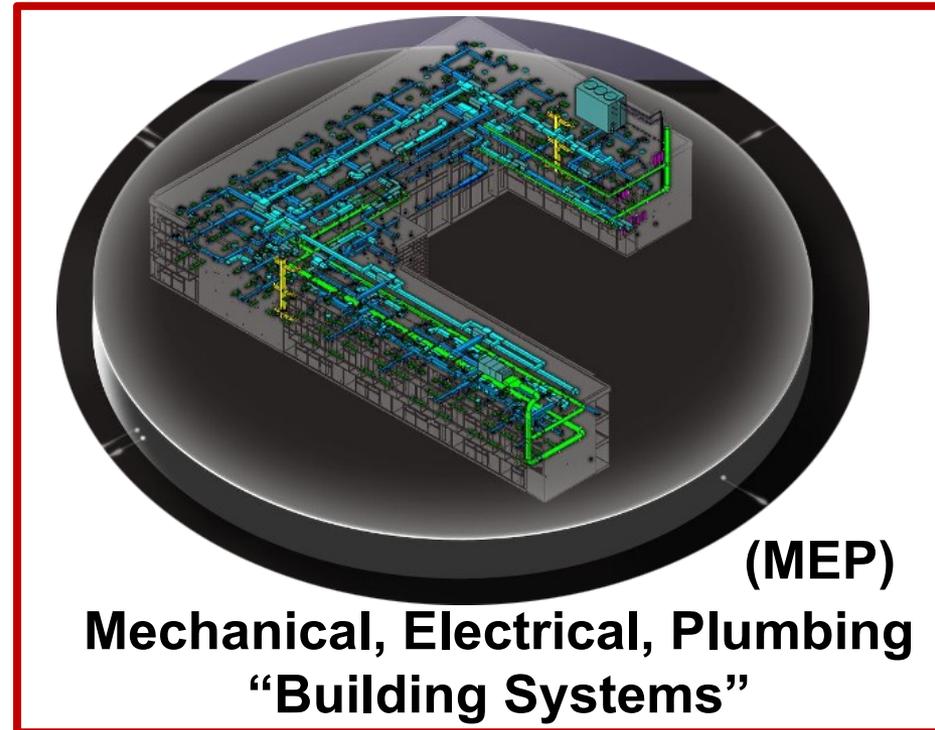
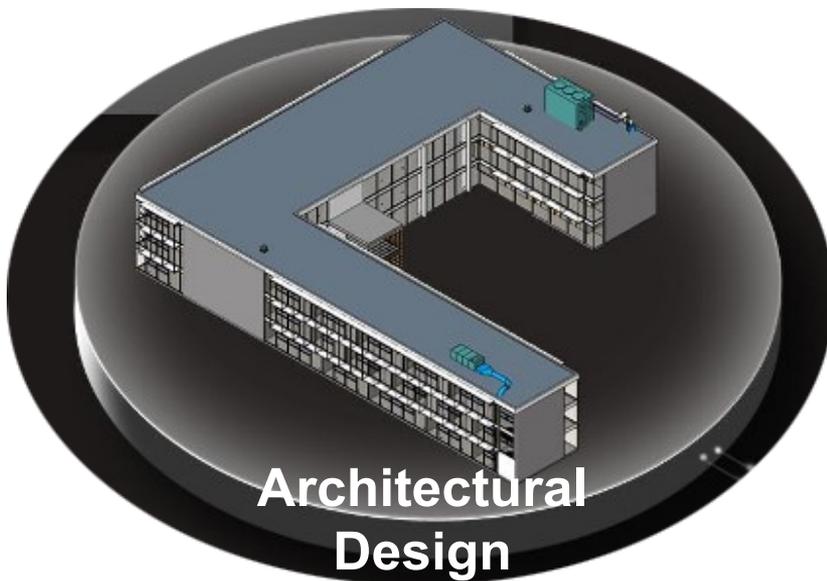
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Buildings impact people, energy, and the environment

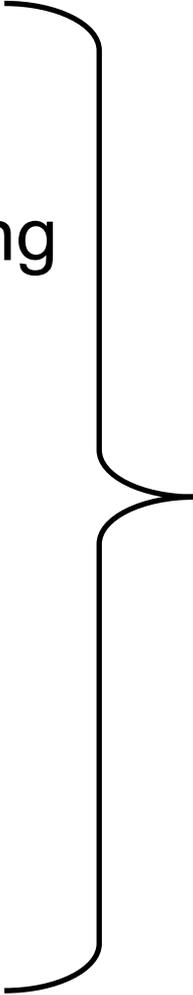


The design, construction, and operation of buildings greatly affect their contribution to **energy** use, greenhouse gas **emissions**, financial **expenditures**, and human **exposures** to airborne pollutants in the indoor **environment**

Building science in the context of Architectural Engineering



Building science in the context of Architectural Engineering

- Structural engineering
 - Mechanical engineering
 - Electrical engineering
 - Plumbing design
 - Construction
 - Architectural design
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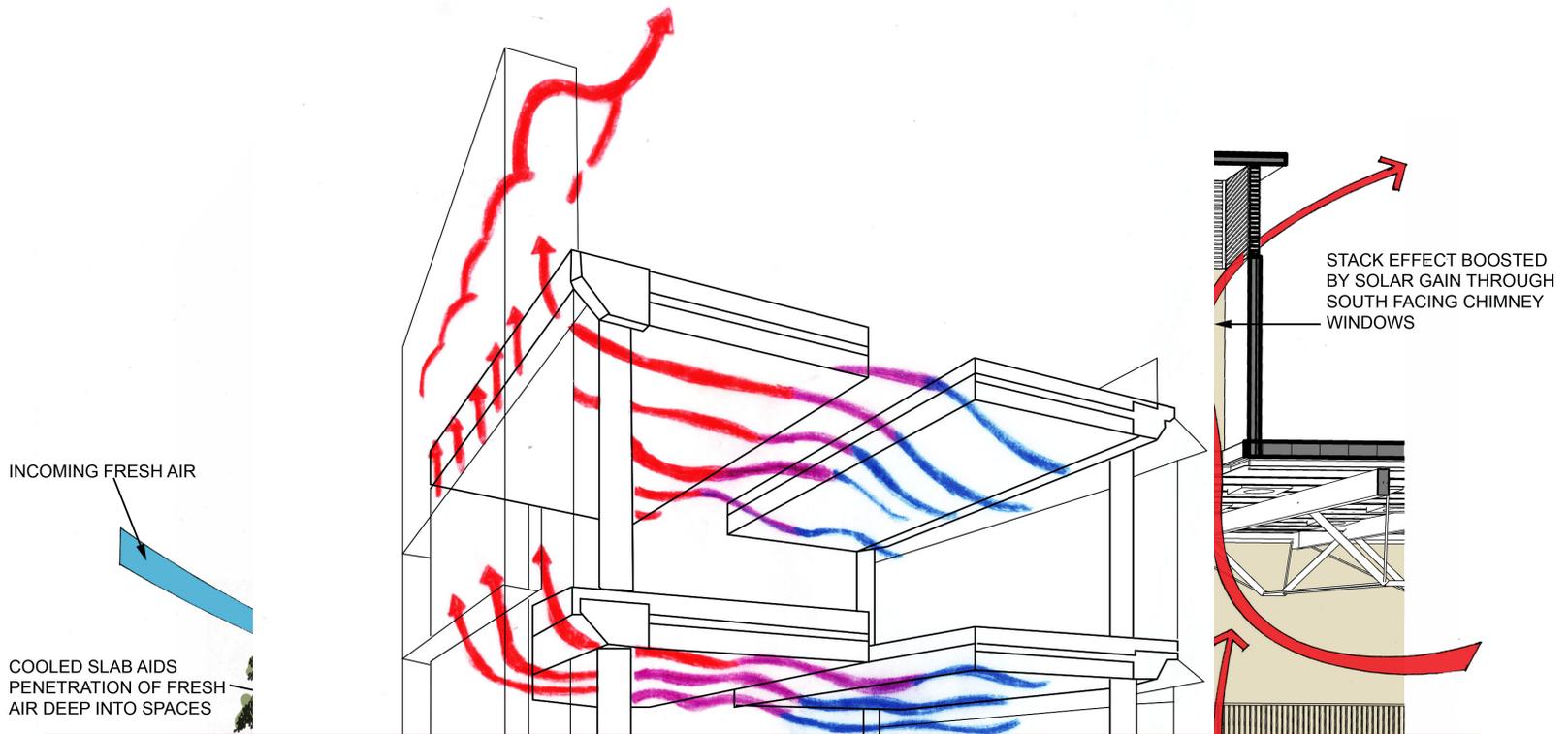
All of these disciplines must all work together to design, build, and operate a building successfully and efficiently

- Architectural engineering requires knowledge of all of these disciplines

Focused building science courses in ARCE @ IIT

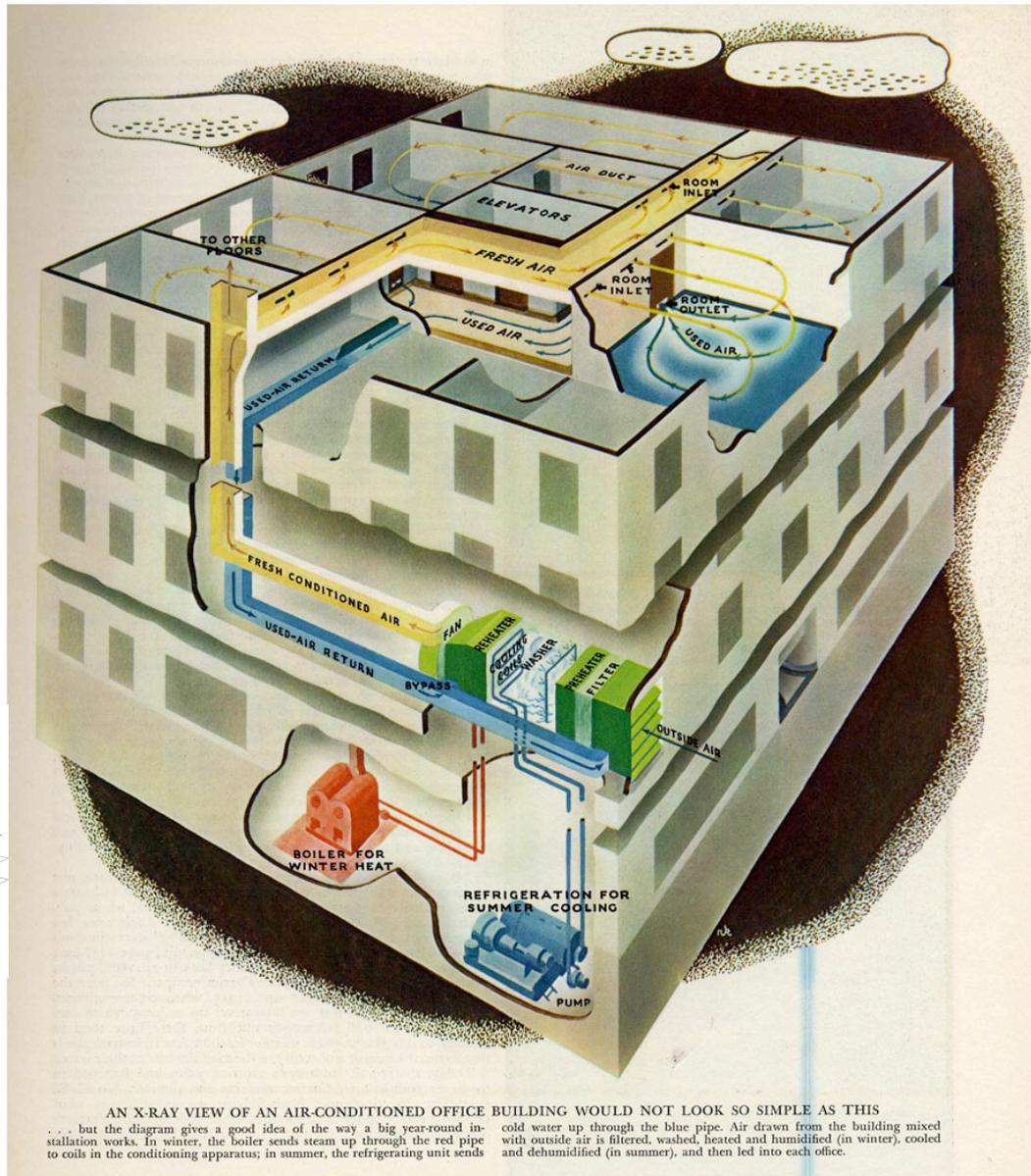
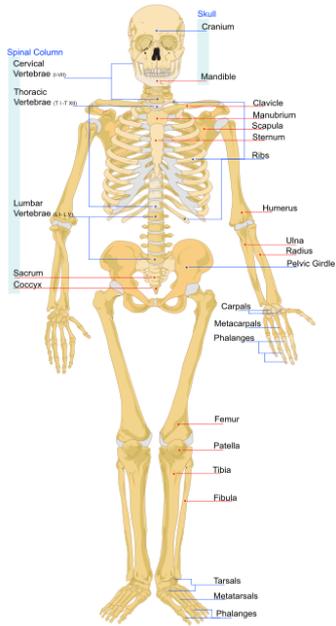
- Mechanical Systems and Energy Efficient Design
 - CAE 464 HVAC Design
 - CAE 463/524 Building Enclosure Design
 - CAE 465/526 Energy Conservation Design in Buildings
 - CAE 515 Building Information Modeling Applications for Building Performance
 - CAE 556 and 557 Net Zero Energy Home Design Competition I and II
 - CAE 550 Applied Building Energy Modeling
 - CAE 553 Measurements and Instrumentation in Architectural Engineering
 - ENVE 576 Indoor Air Pollution
- Electrical and Lighting Systems Design
 - CAE 466 Building Electrical Systems Design
 - CAE 467 Lighting Systems Design
- Plumbing and Fire Protection Systems Design
 - CAE 461 Plumbing and Fire Protection Design
 - CAE 422 Sprinklers, Standpipes, Fire Pumps, Special Suppression, and Detection
 - CAE 424 Introduction to Fire Dynamics
 - CAE 425 Fire Protection and Life Safety in Building Design

Why do we need building science?

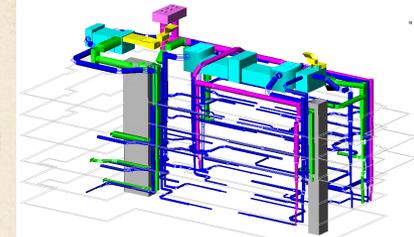


We need to understand basics of energy, heat transfer, fluid flow, and electrical power to understand how buildings work and how design and operational decisions influence their performance

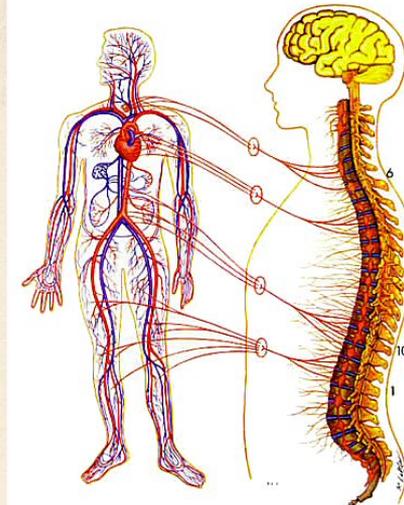
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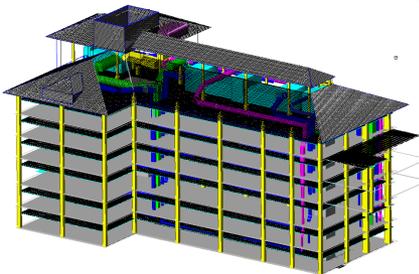
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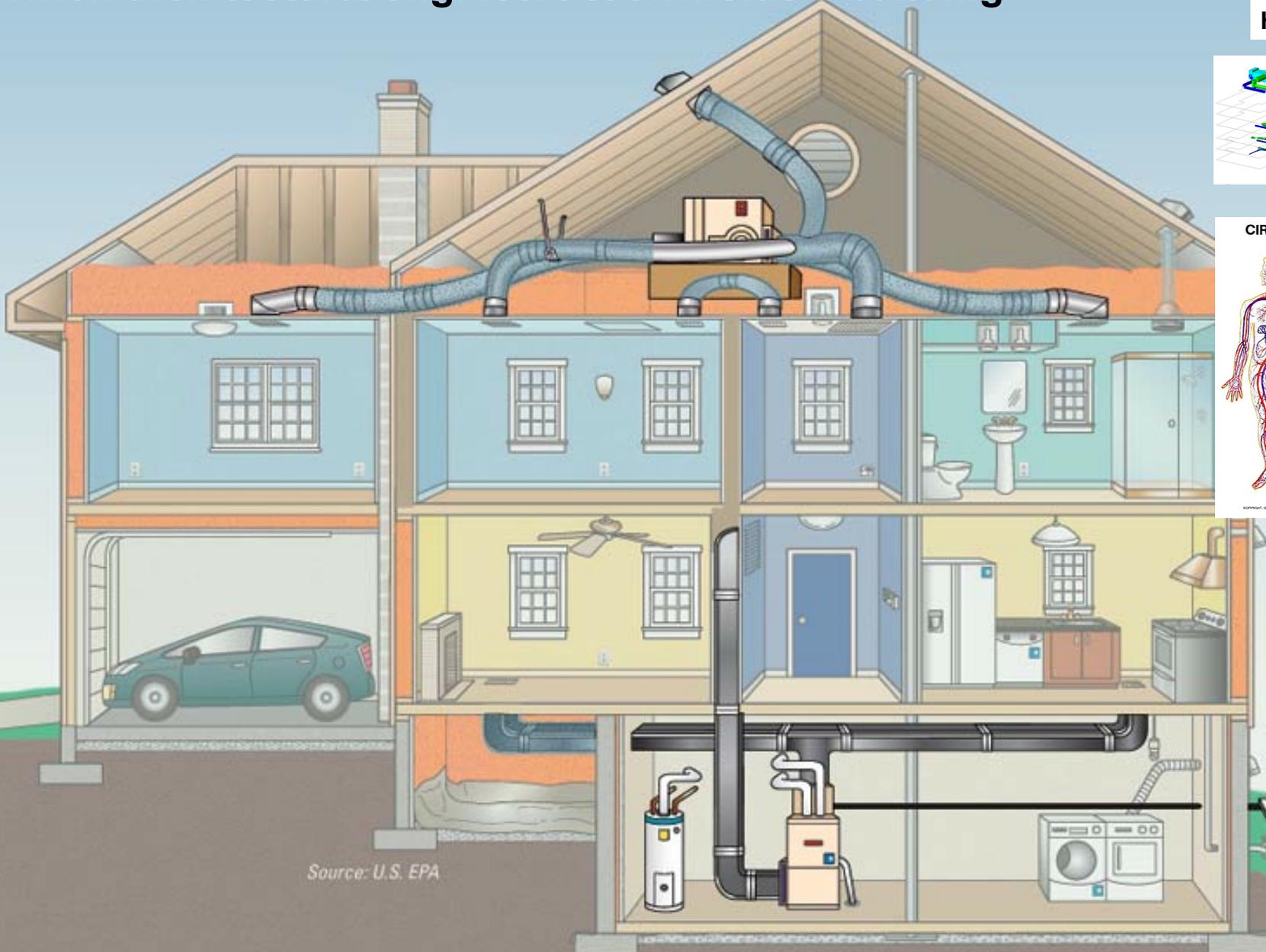


Structural

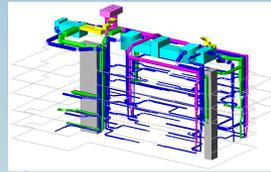


AN X-RAY VIEW OF AN AIR-CONDITIONED OFFICE BUILDING WOULD NOT LOOK SO SIMPLE AS THIS . . . but the diagram gives a good idea of the way a big year-round installation works. In winter, the boiler sends steam up through the red pipe to coils in the conditioning apparatus; in summer, the refrigerating unit sends cold water up through the blue pipe. Air drawn from the building mixed with outside air is filtered, washed, heated and humidified (in winter), cooled and dehumidified (in summer), and then led into each office.

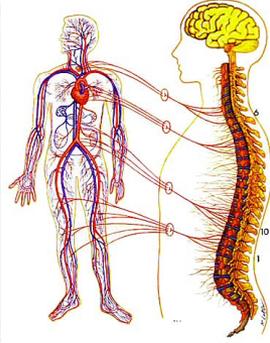
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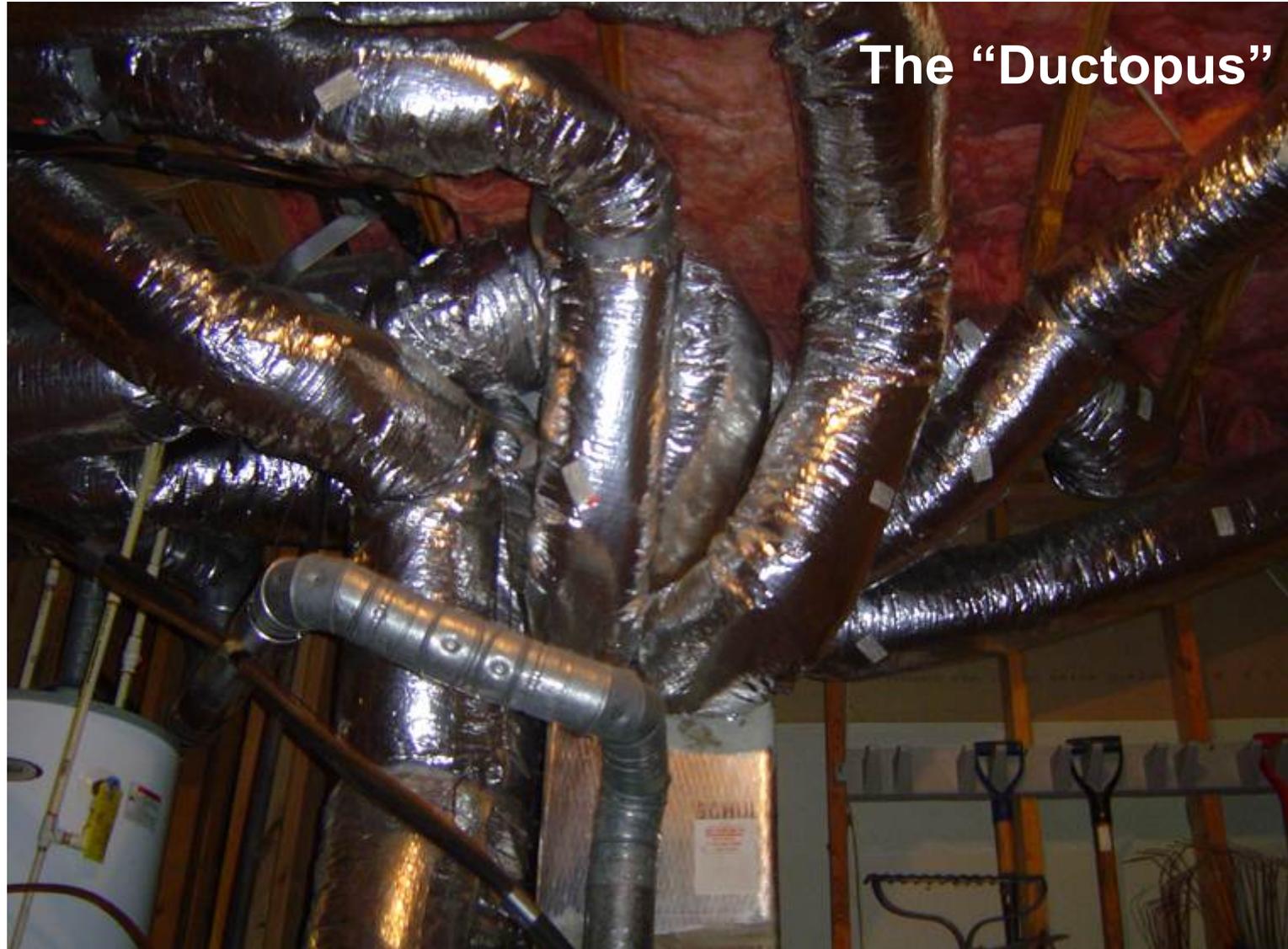
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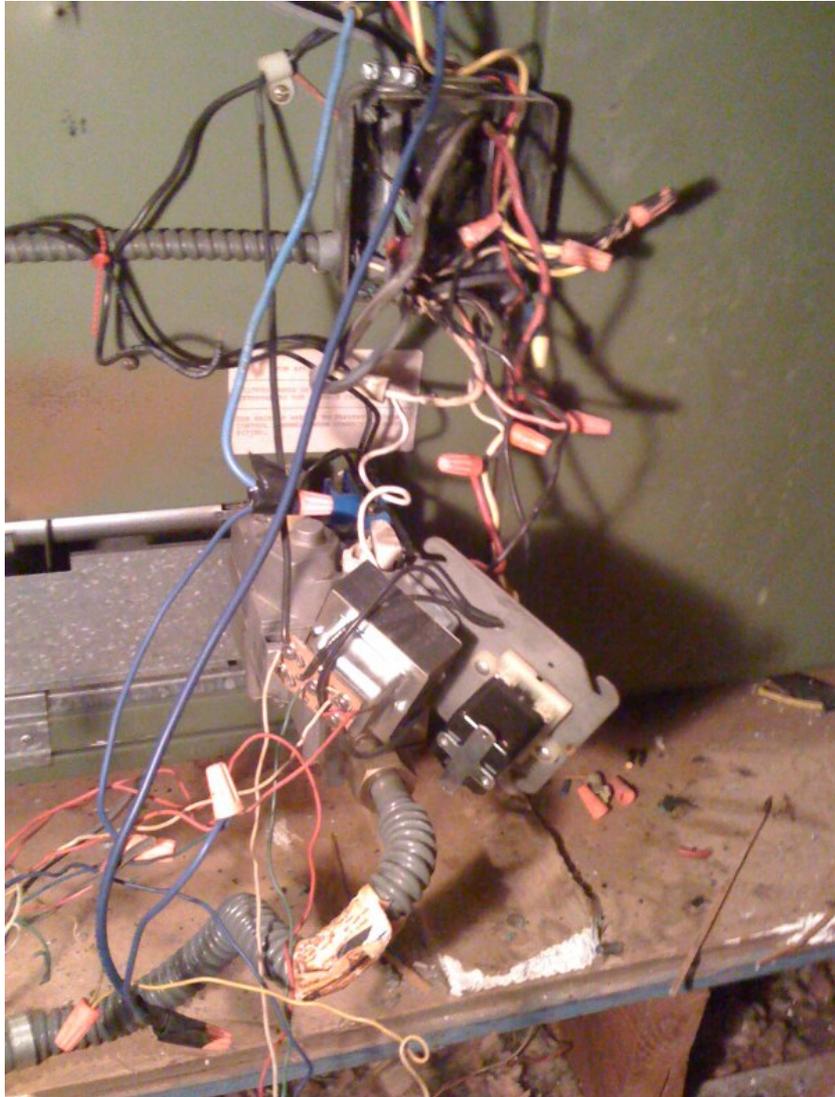
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<http://www.hvacfun.com/hall-shame-82.htm>

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Warm weather causes water on floor

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Unseasonably warm temperatures caused condensation to form on the floor of the TD Garden during Boston's 95-89 win over the [Los Angeles Clippers](#) Monday, leading to a brief delay as workers mopped the court to keep it dry late in the first quarter.



<http://sports.espn.go.com/nba/news/story?id=4858097>



What happens when you don't understand building science?

When you don't understand building science, and you are in charge of engineering, design, construction, or maintenance of a building...

... you adversely affect building energy use, energy costs, greenhouse gas and other pollutant emissions, thermal comfort, productivity, and indoor air quality

BUILDING SCIENCE RESOURCES

Important organizations to know

- American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE)
 - Handbook of Fundamentals
 - Standards and design guidelines
- Department of Energy <https://energy.gov/eere/buildings/building-science-education>
- Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL)
- Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL)
- Building Science Corporation <https://buildingscience.com>
- RESNET
- EPA Energy Star
- National Institute of Building Sciences
- National Resources Canada
- ASTM
- Passive House Institute (US)
- Pacific Northwest National Lab (PNNL)
- American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy (ACEEE)
- Energy Vanguard <http://www.energyvanguard.com/blog>
- Green Building Advisor <http://www.greenbuildingadvisor.com>



Important publications to know

- Publications*
 - *Building and Environment*
 - *Energy and Buildings*
 - *Building Simulation*
 - *Science and Technology of the Built Environment*
 - *ASHRAE Journal*
 - *ASHRAE Transactions*
 - *ASCE Journal of Architectural Engineering*

*Most of these are all available through the Galvin Library

- Online access: <http://library.iit.edu/>
- For instructions for accessing articles through the library off-campus: <http://built-envi.com/student-info/>

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Contributors

Preface

**Technical Committees, Task Groups, and Technical
Resource Groups**

PRINCIPLES

- F01. Psychrometrics
- F02. Thermodynamics and Refrigeration Cycles
- F03. Fluid Flow
- F04. Heat Transfer
- F05. Two-Phase Flow
- F06. Mass Transfer
- F07. Fundamentals of Control
- F08. Sound and Vibration

INDOOR ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

- F09. Thermal Comfort
- F10. Indoor Environmental Health
- F11. Air Contaminants
- F12. Odors
- F13. Indoor Environmental Modeling

LOAD AND ENERGY CALCULATIONS

- F14. Climatic Design Information
- F15. Fenestration
- F16. Ventilation and Infiltration
- F17. Residential Cooling and Heating
Load Calculations
- F18. Nonresidential Cooling and Heating
Load Calculations
- F19. Energy Estimating and Modeling Methods

HVAC DESIGN

- F20. Space Air Diffusion
- F21. Duct Design
- F22. Pipe Sizing
- F23. Insulation for Mechanical Systems
- F24. Airflow Around Buildings

More . . .

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

SOLAR DISTRICT CUP

COLLEGIATE DESIGN COMPETITION

Goal

The goal for each team is to design a solar-plus-storage system for a campus or district that maximizes energy offset and financial savings over 20 years. Competition teams analyze electric distribution grid interactions and assume the role of renewable energy systems developers to produce a power purchase agreement (PPA) proposal for their division's district.

The Solar District Cup 2020 is a two-semester (or three-academic-quarter) project, starting in fall 2019 and culminating in spring 2020.

- April 1, 2019—Competition announced and team registration opened.
- July 31, 2019—Rules published.
- September 12, 2019, 5:00 p.m. ET—Deadline for registration of participating teams.
- September 19, 2019—Participating teams announced.
- September 23–24, 2019—Competition introduction and networking workshop at the [Solar Power International conference](#) in Salt Lake City, Utah. Attendance is optional but recommended. Information presented will also be available to teams that cannot attend.
- November 21, 2019, 5:00 p.m. ET—Deadline for receipt of Progress Deliverable Package from all participating teams.
- December 12, 2019—Finalist teams announced.
- April 11, 2020, 5:00 p.m. ET—Deadline for receipt of Final Deliverable Package from finalist teams.
- April 19–20, 2020—Finalists present projects at the [Solar Power Southeast conference](#) in Atlanta, Georgia; winners announced. In-person attendance and presentation by at least one student team member from each finalist team is required.

Next time

- Review of pre-requisite topics
 - Energy concepts and unit conversions
- Assign HW 1