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Introduction to Passive House

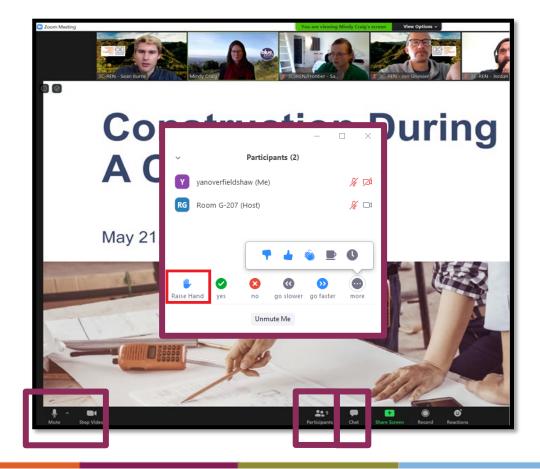
Steve Mann, The Passive House Network and Home Energy Services

May 1, 2023



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3C-REN: Tri-County Regional Energy Network

- Three counties working together to improve energy efficiency in the region
- Services for
 - Building Professionals: industry events, training, and energy code compliance support
 - Households: free and discounted home upgrades
- Funded by ratepayer dollars that 3C-REN returns to the region









- Serves all building professionals
- Three services
 - Energy Code Coach
 - Training and Support
 - Regional Forums
- Makes the Energy Code easy to follow

Energy Code Coach: 3c-ren.org/codes 805.220.9991 Event Registration: 3c-ren.org/events





- Serves current and prospective building professionals
- Expert instruction:
 - Technical skills
 - Soft skills
- Helps workers to thrive in an evolving industry

Event Registration: **3c-ren.org/events**





Multifamily (5+ units)

- No cost technical assistance
- Rebates up to \$750/apartment plus additional rebates for specialty measures like heat pumps

Single Family (up to 4 units)

- Sign up to participate!
- Get paid for the metered energy savings of your customers







3C-REN Staff Online

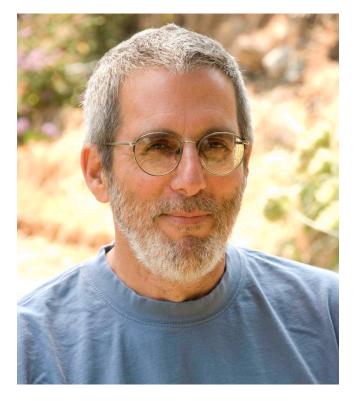


Introduction to the Passive House Standard



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Global Knowledge. Regional Context. Local Applications

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AIA Course Description

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Introduction to Passive House Standard

Presentation #1day_Intro_PH

Passive House goals and methodology change how architects and builders think and work, making the architectural design a driver of climate, health, and social solutions. This is a 4-hour course that dives into the basic principles, history, certification, and the new frontiers of Passive House design as it continues to challenge and change industry expectations. All theory is then illustrated through 3 case studies outlining specific Passive House principles.

Learning Objectives

The Passive House Network

• Learning Objective 1:

Outline the 5 basic principles of Passive House design and how each principle contributes to the health, safety and welfare of occupants.

• Learning Objective 2:

Describe why and how hygienic ventilation is an essential defining component of Passive House design and operation. And outline how the Passive House design focuses on very good energy efficiency which results in side-benefits like great occupant thermal and acoustic comfort, improved occupant health outcomes, and economic affordability.

• Learning Objective 3:

Outline the major Passive House tools: PHPP, DesignPH and Therm, and provide an overview of the tools in correlation with data-driven design.

• Learning Objective 4:

To understand how to get from where the participant is now to building a building adhering to the international passive house standard through applicable case studies. And illustrate the data-driven' design process used to help projects meet their comfort, durability and climate goals.

Part 1: The Passive House Idea

- Why Passive House?
- Passive House and our Climate Goals
- Passive House and 'Net Zero' Goals
- Passive House and Occupant Satisfaction
- How do you Make a Passive House?
 - Continuous Insulation
 - Airtightness
 - Thermal Bridge Free
 - Windows and Doors
 - Ventilation with Heat Recovery



Why Passive House?

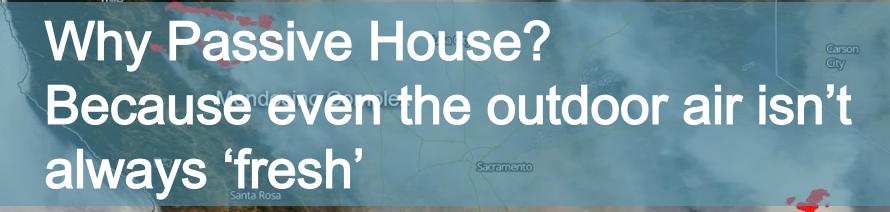
Why Passive House? In North America most of us will spend close to 90% of our time indoors



Why Passive House? Pollutant concentrations indoors can be 2 to 5x worse than outdoors

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Why Passive House? 1/3 of all buildings in US have mold & mildew growth



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Stockton

San Francisco

Donnell fire

Reno

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Ferguson fire

Why Passive House? Urban background noise level 60 dBA is loud enough to raise blood pressure, cause stress, loss of concentration and loss of sleep

Why Passive House? More than 2/3rds of US homes have at least one room that is too cold in Winter and too hot in Summer

Why Passive House? Buildings are currently responsible for 31% of all greenhouse gas submissions in the US



Why Passive House? disruptions in the flow of energy regularly leave many of our buildings uninhabitable



2019

Why Passive House? Meeting California's 2019 energy code will require significant upgrades to the building envelope

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Why Passive House for health, for comfort, for durability, for resiliency, for predictability,



and do all that with 75% less energy

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The Passive House Standard

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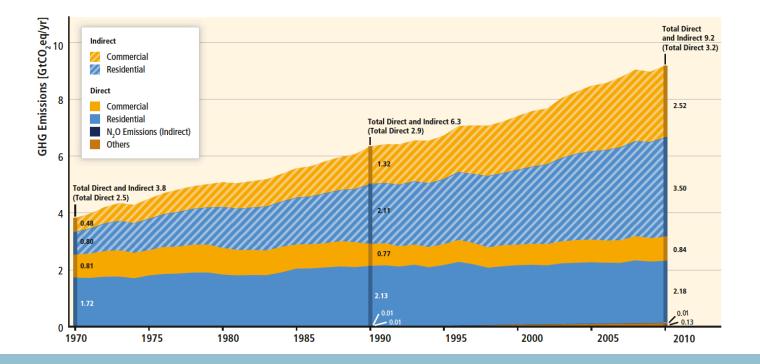




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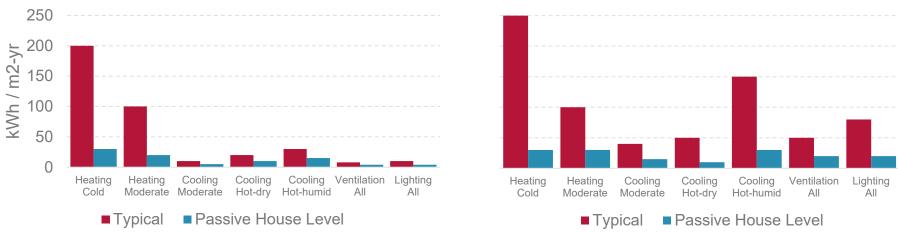


Worldwide, GHG Emissions from Buildings have more than doubled since 1970 alone



Buildings + Energy Consumption

From IPCC AR5: "A number of voluntary standards for heating energy use have been developed in various countries for residential buildings. The most stringent of standards with regard to heating requirements is the Passive House standard As seen from Table 9.3 [below], this standard represents a factor of 6 -12 reduction in heating load in mild climates (such as Southern Europe) and up to a factor of 30 reduction in cold climate regions where existing buildings have little to no insulation."



Residential

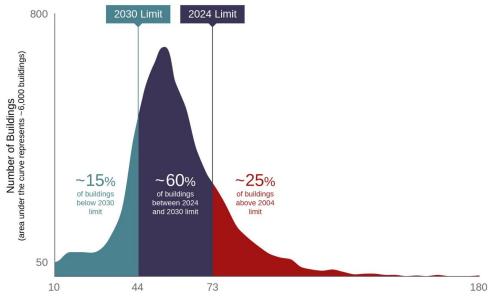
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Commercial

NYC Climate Mobilization Act

Distribution of Reported Greenhouse Gas Intensities in Existing NYC Multi-family Residential Buildings (2016 Data)

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GREEN DEAL WITH IT

RESHAPE STRATEGIES

NYC Council passes sweeping building emission legislation

By JONATHAN HILBURG (@JHILBURG) • April 19, 2019

The Climate Mobilization Act, which Mayor de Blasio is expected to sign, would set increasingly harsh limits on carbon emissions for buildings over 25,000 square feet beginning in 2024. According to the <u>Urban Green Council</u>, New York City produces 50 million tons of carbon dioxide a year, and buildings account for approximately 67 percent of that–meaning buildings over 25,000 square feet produce 35 percent, or about 13 million tons of carbon dioxide, a year.

The legislation covering the affected 50,000 buildings will roll out in phases. This year, an Office of Building Energy and Emissions Performance and an advisory board will be created at the Department of Buildings to both regulate and enforce the new standards. When the law fully takes effect in 2024, emissions from qualifying buildings will need to be reduced 40 percent from 2005 levels by 2030. The Climate Mobilization Act then takes things one step further and requires that these same buildings slash their emissions by 80 percent by 2050.

Reported GHGI (kgCO²e/m²/yr)

The Passive House

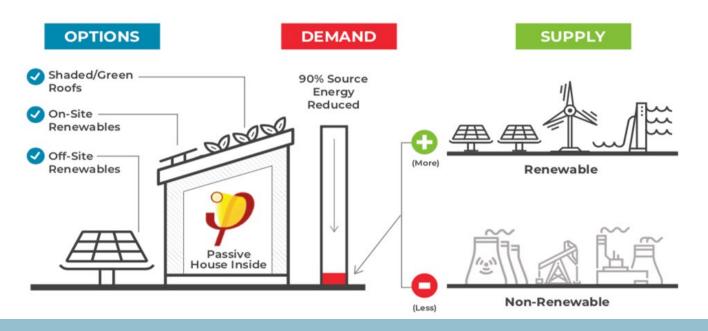
California Zero Net Energy Goals



California Energy Efficiency Strategic Plan Goals:

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- New codes will focus on reducing Carbon Emissions in addition to reductions in energy usage
- Future codes will likely require significant efficiency + onsite renewables



BC Energy Step Code

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2017 2032

British Columbia Energy Step Code:

- "The Province has committed to taking incremental steps to increase energy-efficiency requirements in the BC Building Code to make buildings net-zero energy ready by 2032. The BC Energy Step Code--a part of the BC Building Code--supports that effort."
- "Buildings designed and constructed ... to the Passive House Planning Package (PHPP)...are deemed to comply..."

The 5 Basic Principles of Passive House





- 1. Continuous Insulation
- 2. Airtight Construction

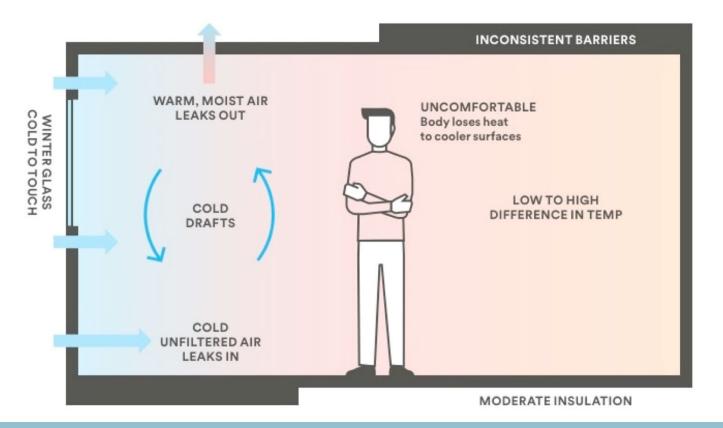
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- 3. Thermal Bridge Free
- 4. High Quality Windows and Doors
- 5. Fresh-Air Ventilation with Heat Recovery

Design Outward From Occupant

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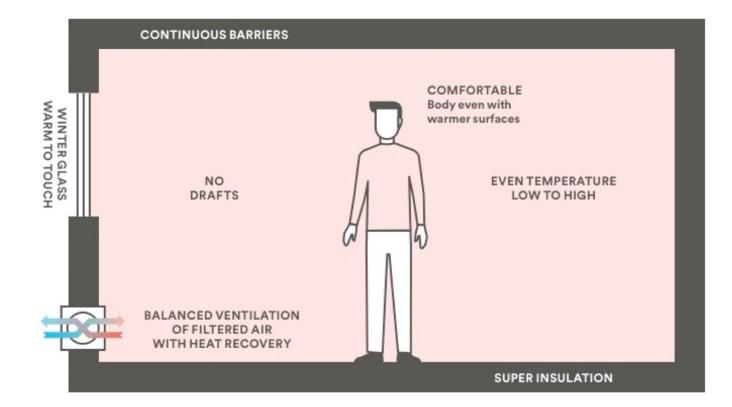




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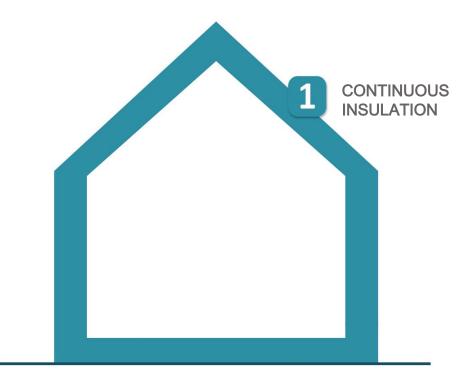




#1: Continuous Insulation Layer

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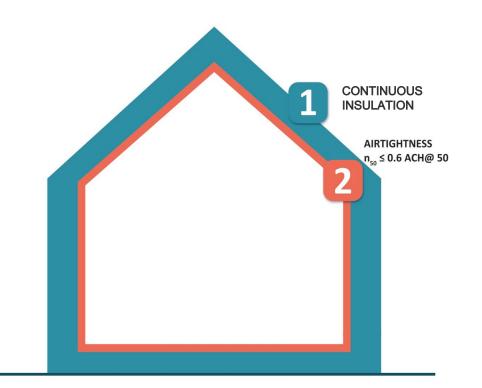




- Reduce heat loss (winter)
- Reduce heat gain (summer)
- Comfortable interior surface temps



#2: Continuous Air -Tight Construction



- Reduce drafts
- Reduce possibility of moisture damage to envelope due to air transported moisture
- Reduce heat loss (winter)
- Reduce humidity (summer)



Comfort & Health



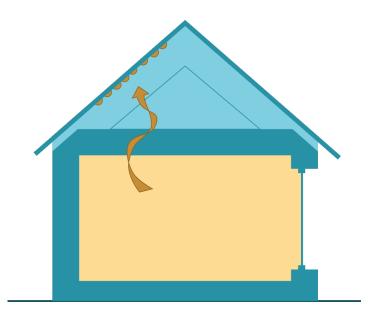


Durability

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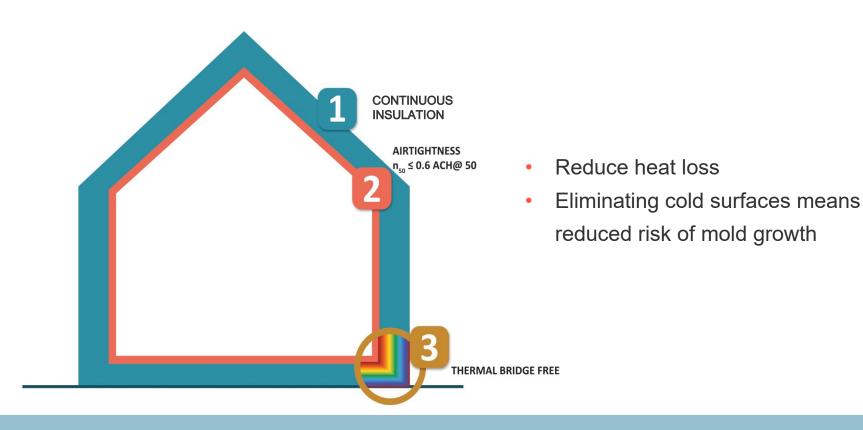




Attic sheathing with mold from condensation

#3: Eliminate "Thermal Bridges"





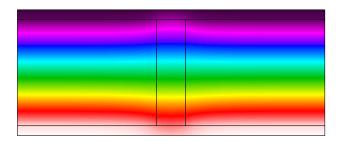
Thermal Bridge?

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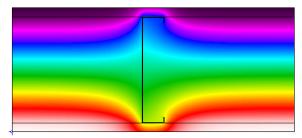
Wood stud wall, insulated cavity:

Nominal R-value (through cavity): 22.3 Actual R-value (incl. framing): 19.0



Steel stud wall, insulated cavity: Nominal R-value (through cavity): 22.3 Actual R-value (incl. framing): 11.6





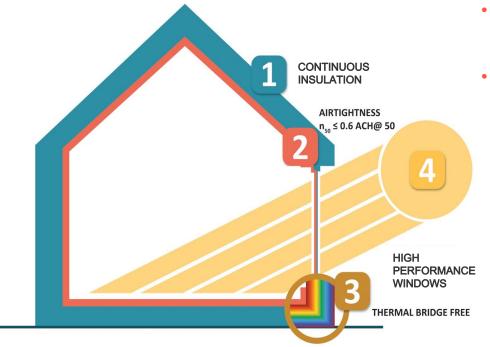
Cold Surfaces, Mold, Condensation





#4: High Performance Glazing

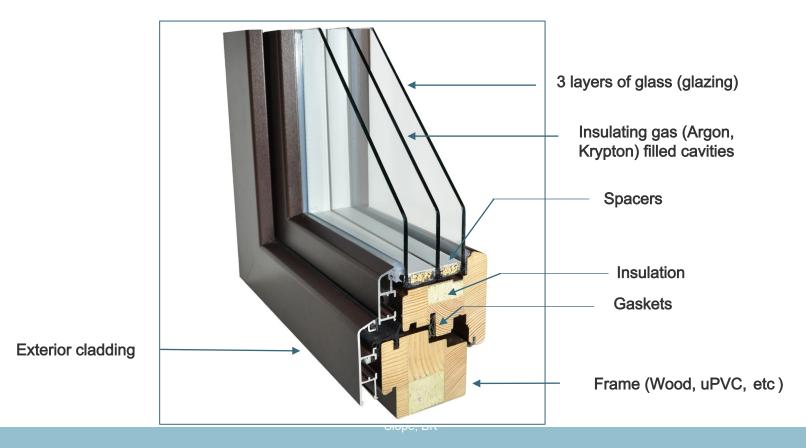




- Glass's high int. surface temps lead to increased occupant comfort
- No need for expensive perimeter heating to combat cold surfaces

Passive House Windows





Occupant Comfort

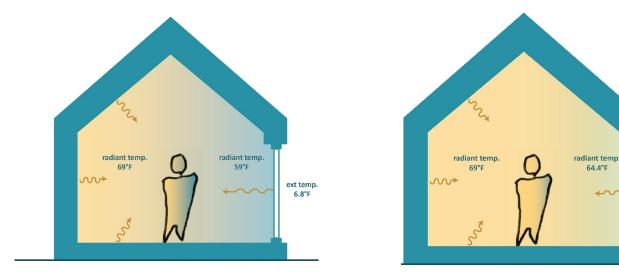
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ext temp.

6.8°F

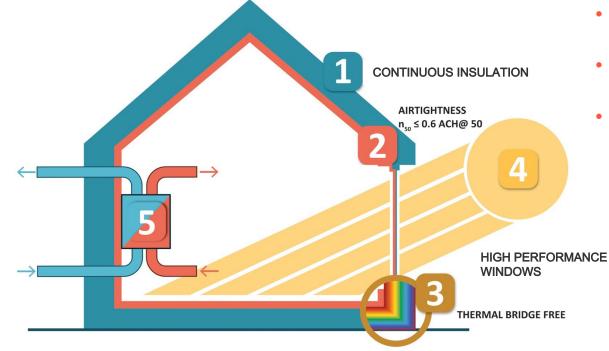
Standard window, R -3 (hr.ft².°F)/Btu Radiant temperature difference: **10°F** Passive House window R-7 (hr.ft².°F)/Btu Radiant temperature difference: < 6°F



The radiant temperature asymmetry of 10 °F is far too high (should be less than 7.2 °F). A compensating heating surface near the window is required.

#5: Fresh - Air Ventilation + Heat Recovery





- Clean, filtered fresh air all year round
- Reduced heat loss in winter
- Eliminate stale air

Balance Ventilation w/Heat Recovery

The H/ERV (<u>h</u>eat/<u>e</u>nergy recovery ventilator) is the lungs of the building.

H/ERV's must be:

- Super-insulated
- Airtight
- Thermal bridge free
- Quiet
- Energy efficient
- Suitably located



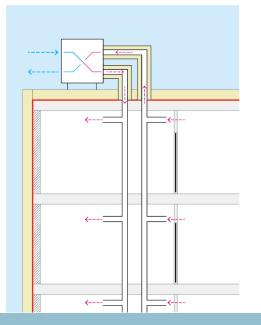


System Configuration



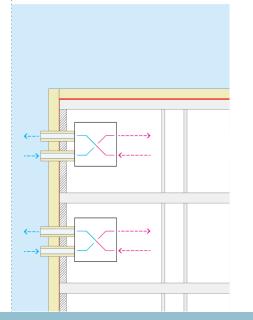
Centralized:

One main ventilator unit for the entire building



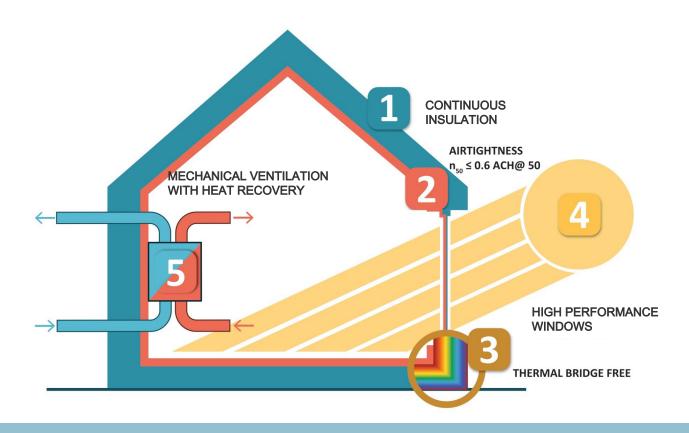
Decentralized:

Multiple ventilators distributed throughout the building



5 Steps to a Passive House





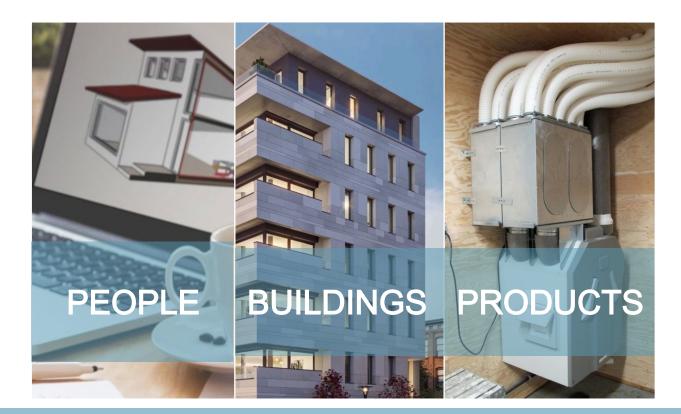
Part 2: The Passive House Idea

- What Certifications are Available?
- Why Certify?
- The Passive House Certifiers, Consultants and Tradespeople
- The Certification Sequence
- Certifying a Passive House
 - New Construction, Retrofits, Mixed-Use, Non-Residential
 - Certification Verification Requirements
- Certified Passive House Products



What Can Be Passive House "Certified"





Performance Versus Prescriptive



Passive House is a **performance based** building standard:

- Scientifically validated energy model (PHPP);
- Strict standards testing protocols for key elements such as windows and ventilation;
- Verified construction details (example, thermal bridging);
- **Photo catalogue** of all details and assemblies required for certification;
- Blower door testing according to strict protocols;
- Ventilation system commissioning and sign-off;

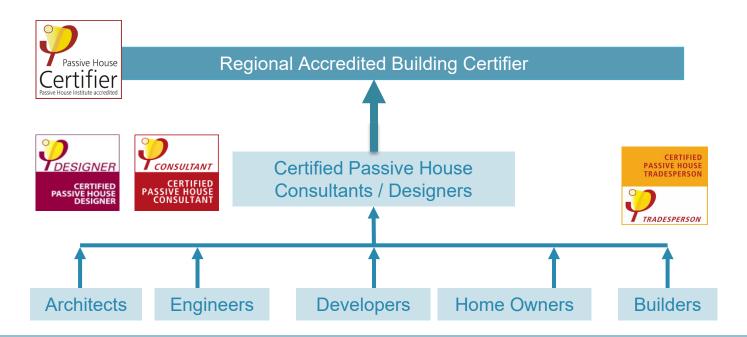
Building Code, ASHRAE, LEED tend to be prescriptive in approach

Passive House does exactly what it says on the label.

People: Certifiers, Designers, Tradespeople



Passive House Institute, Darmstadt Germany (PHI)









People: Designers & Tradespeople





- Accreditation awarded by Passive House
 Institute
- Two paths to gaining the awards: (1) passing the PHI exam (vast majority), (2) submitting mini - thesis on personally executed certified project
- New in 2019: 'Expert' Badges for Simulation Modelers and On -Site Inspectors



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Construction Verifier energy efficiency



- Two accreditation types: (1) Building Envelope, (2) Mechanical Services
- Accreditation awarded by passing PHI test
- Mostly taken by tradespersons but also popular with building designers

People: VeriPHiers

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Third-party, on-site verification of key Passive House quality assurance indicators during construction

Optional service elected by building owner, typically in response to incentives

Buildings: New Construction

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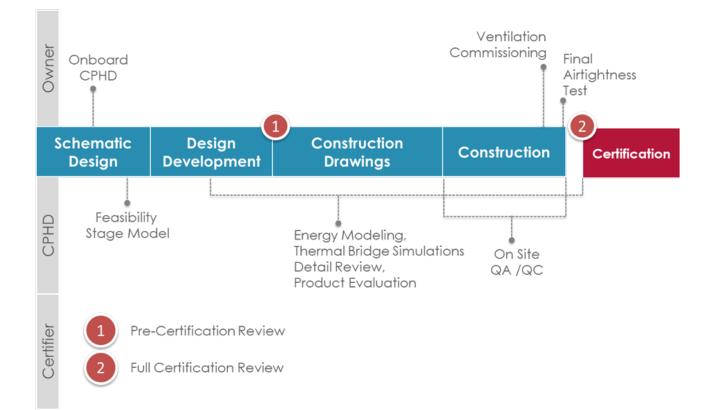




+ renewable energy generation on site or nearby and/or higher energy efficiency

Buildings: A Roadmap To Certification





Buildings: Airtightness Testing

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Positive Pressure Test



Buildings: Photographic Evidence





Buildings: Ventilation System Balancing





Buildings: Retrofit Classes





- EnerPHit standard first introduced by PHI in 2010
- Can be reached in one step, or several steps (phased)
- If phased:
 - Must develop an EnerPHit Retrofit Plan (ERP)
 - When total building energy use has been reduced by 20%, first 'pre-certification' can be issued by the certifier

Buildings: Non Residential





Why Certify Your Building?



Independent Review

Certifiers' review services are separate and distinct from Passive House consulting and design services. This clear separation insures an independent and objective assessment. And additional **quality assurance** benefitting all parties involved, including not just owners and occupants, but also investors, governments, funders and other stakeholders.

Project Team Professional Development

The expert review of the energy calculations, design and construction documentation from a lowenergy building science perspective furthers the education of the consultant, designer and builder.

Assurance For Project Team

Expert review of the energy calculations, design, specifications and construction documentation is continuing education for the project team.

Assurance For Developers And Owners

The project team can breathe easier at all stages of the project, knowing their energy calculations and related details have been double-checked.

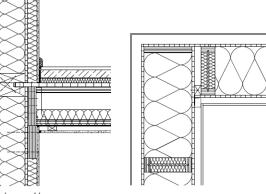
Products: Certified Components

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Products: Component Database





Drain water heat recovery

Part 3: The Passive House Tools

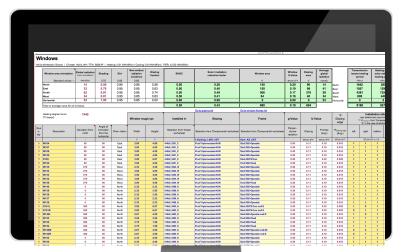
- The Passive House Planning Package (PHPP) and 'Data Driven Design'
- The PHPP Model and Passive House Certification
- DesignPH, BIM2PHPP and PassivLink
- Building Codes and the PHPP
- Thermal Bridge Simulation Tools
- Airtightness Tools:
 - 'Red Line' Test
 - Detailing
 - Blower Door Testing



Th Passive House Energy Model

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Energy balance and Passive House Design Tool for quality approved Passive Houses and EnerPHit retrofits



The Passive House Planning Package

The Passive House Network

What is PHPP?

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- A numerical steady-state energy modeling spreadsheet
- Uses monthly climate data to quickly calculate detailed gains and losses for low-energy buildings
- Purpose built for low-energy buildings and Passive-House style buildings
- Excel spreadsheet based and low-cost

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Energy Modeling Options

Steady -State

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- Internal Gains + Temp Set Point remain static throughout the entire simulation period.
- Climate / Weather files supply ALL of the inputs into the simulation
- Fast, Flexible, Simple to use
- May not be as accurate in very complex situations, ie: with **more than one thermal zone**, in shoulder seasons, etc..



• Dynamic

- Uses both the external boundary conditions from climate/weather file input, as well as data from previous simulation steps to create a more detailed (hourly, sub-hourly) model.
- Can include >1 thermal zone
- Can provide more accurate thermal-comfort modeling, as well as moisture movement
- Complex, slow

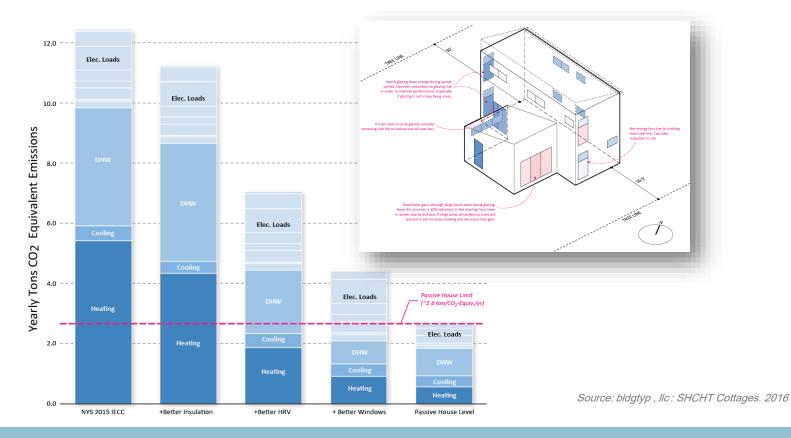






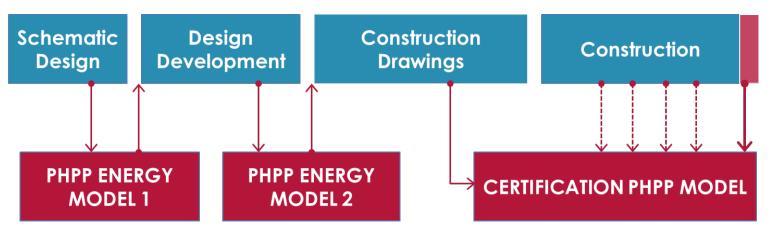






PHPP and PHI Certification





- massing & orientation
- window-to-wall%

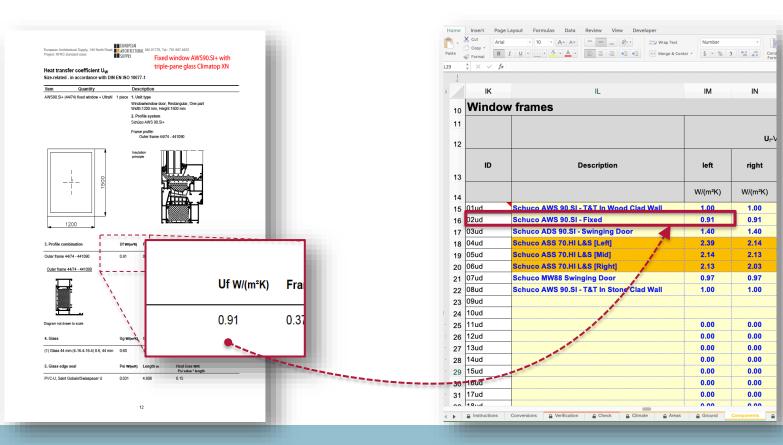
- overheating risk, shading
- identify key challenges
- review potential assemblies, details, envelope systems

- develop key materials, assemblies and details
- first pass to resolve thermal bridging and identify challenges
- identify airtightness system and products
- develop mechanical system
 integration

- updates to model throughout CD and construction phases
- final as-built geometry / assemblies and thicknesses
- final as-built materials
- final as-built products
- resolve any last detail challenges
- update with final airtightness value
- update with final ventilation air flow rates

PHPP And PHI Certification





'DesignPH 3D" Modeling Interface



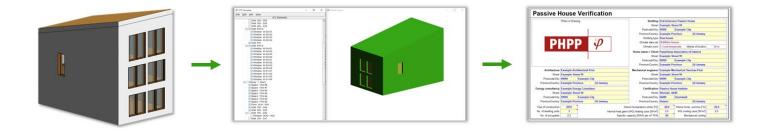
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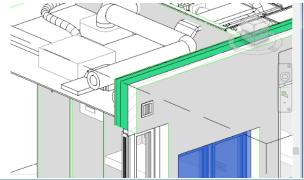
New BIM Tools



'BIM2PH' IFC Converter:



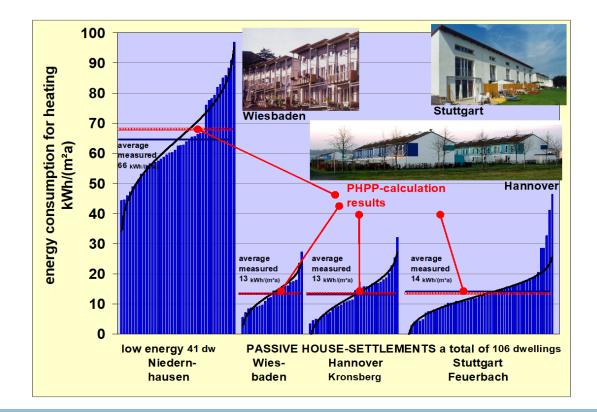
'PassivLink ' Plugin for Revit:



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V2 1100 x 1500 mm	1.10 m	1.50 m	0.90 m	Oeste	
V3 880 x 1500 mm	0.88 m	1.50 m	0.90 m	Norte	
V4 1300 x 1050 mm	1.30 m	1.05 m	0.90 m	Norte	
V5 700 x 1500 mm	0.70 m	1.50 m	0.90 m	Norte	
V6 1090 x 1500	1.09 m	1.50 m	0.90 m	Norte	
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V10 940 x 540 mm	0.94 m	0.54 m	2.17 m	Sur	

PHPP Testing: International





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- PHPP software evaluation completed in ٠ 2019
- Full testing report available online ٠

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PHPP Testing: ANSI/ASHRAE 140 -2017

Prepared for:

Passive House Canada

Passive House California

Passive House Institute

Prenared by:

January 23, 2019

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PHPP and Energy Codes



New York State Stretch Energy Code 2020

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3.16 Addition of New Section R408 Passive House

Section R408 Passive House

R408.1 General. *Buildings* shall comply with either Section R408.1.1 or R408.1.2 and shall comply with Section R408.2.

R408.1.1. Passive House Institute US (PHIUS) Approved Software. PHIUS+. Passive Building Standard - North America, where Specific Space Heat Demand and (sensible only) Cooling Demand, as modeled and field-verified by a Certified Passive House Consultant, is less than or equal to 9kBTU/ft2/year. The *dwelling unit* shall also be tested with a blower door and found to exhibit no more than 0.05 CFM50/ft² or 0.08 CFM75/ft² of air leakage.

R408.1.2 Passive House Institute (PHI) Approved Software. Passive House Institute: Low Energy Building Standard, where Specific Space Heating and (sensible only) Cooling Demand is less than or equal to 9.5 kBTU/ft²/year, as modeled and field-verified by a Certified Passive House Consultant. The *dwelling unit* shall also be tested with a blower door and found to exhibit an *infiltration* rate of no more than 1.0 air changes per hour under a pressure of 50 Pascals.

PHPP and Energy Codes



Ontario Building Code SB-12 (Part 9)

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a) energy performance shall be calculated in conformance with Article 9.36.6.4., and

b) airtightness shall be tested in accordance with Article 9.36.6.5.

(See Note A-9.36.6.3.(2).)

3) Buildings designed and constructed to conform to Step 5 of any of Tables 9.36.6.3.A to 9.36.6.3.C and to the Passive House Planning Package, version 9 or newer, are deemed to comply with this Subsection if the energy model according to which the *building* is designed and constructed is prepared by a Certified Passive House Designer, or Certified Passive House Consultant, who is approved by the Passive House Institute.

9.36.6.4. Energy Modelling

1) Energy modelling shall be performed using a computer program that employs calculation methods that have been tested in accordance with ANSI/ASHRAE 140, "Evaluation of Building Energy Analysis Computer Programs" with variations in the computer program from the range recommended therein reported in accordance with Division C.

British Columbia Building Code 2018

Division B

PHPP and Energy Codes



And in California? Not yet...

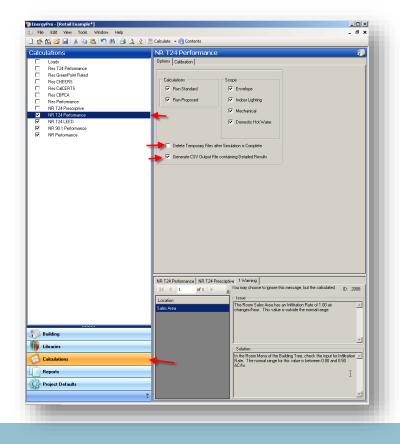
Residential:

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- CBECC-Res
- EnergyPro
- Right-Energy Title 24

Commercial:

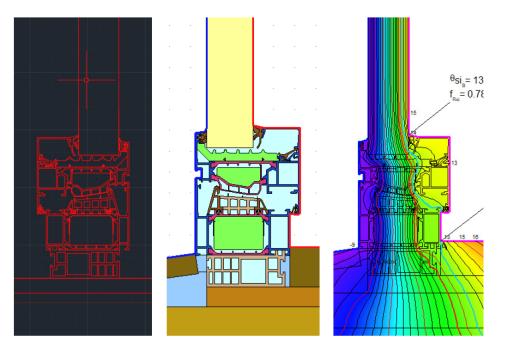
- CBECC-Com
- IES Virtual Environment
- EnergyPro



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Thermal Bridge Simulations

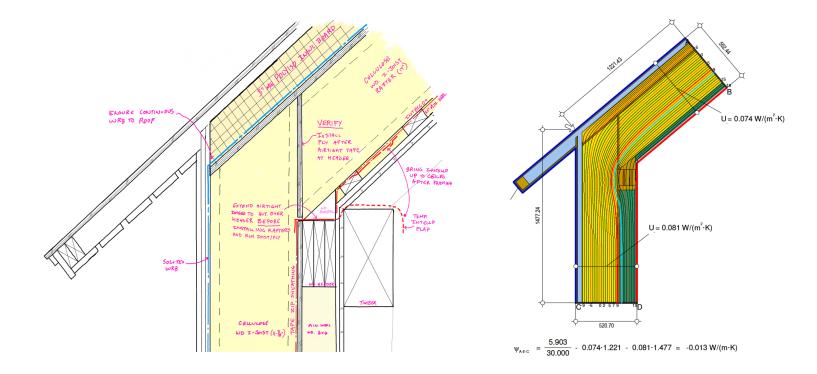




1) A flat 2-D CAD 'Base-File' is created for each assembly and detail required. Simulations are executed for the detail and relevant values (R-Values, surface temperatures) are assessed and output for use in the wholebuilding model or for certification verification.

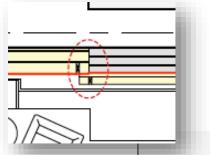
Thermal Bridge Free Detailing



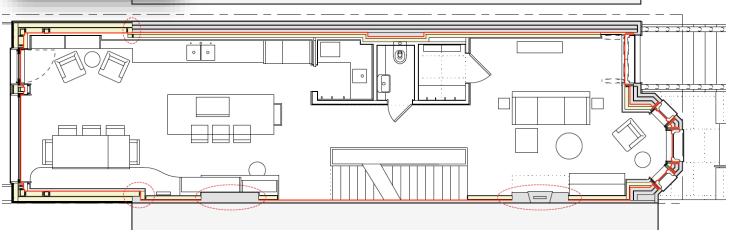


Airtightness Tools: 'Red Line Test'



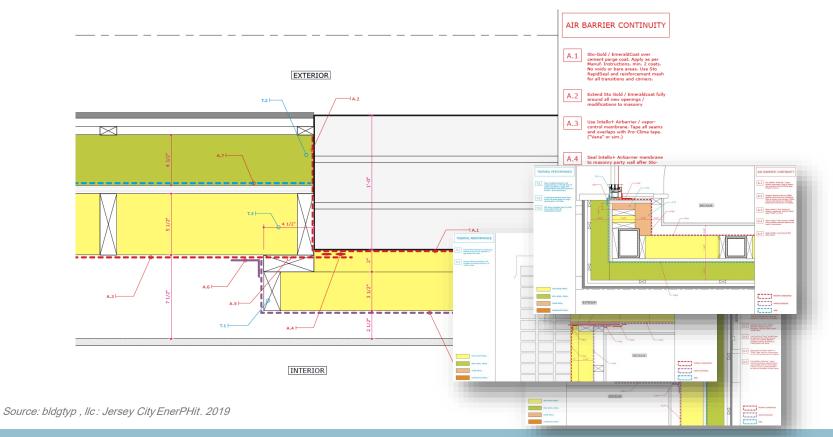


- Draw one single airtight layer around the entire plan or section drawing.
- Anyplace there is confusion or ambiguity about the airtightness connection, mark that clearly for further development



Airtightness Tools: Detailing





Airtightness Tools: Blower Door Testing





Let's take a break.



CASE STUDY #1

Retrofit | Sunnyvale, CA Single Family Home

FOCUS: Fresh-Air Ventilation + Systems





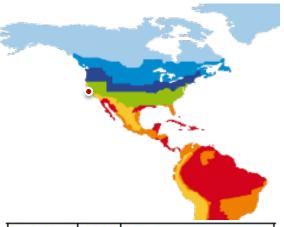


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Architect: Passive House BB Passive House Consultants /Builder: One Sky Homes





	Climate	No	Region	I
_	Heating climate	1	Arctic	Ī
		2	Cold	
		3	Cool-temperate	
		4	Warm-temperate	L,
		5	Warm	
]	Cooling climate	6	Hot	[
		7	Very hot	[

Sunnyvale House





Location & Orientation



- 1 story SFR 1,408 ft² + attached garage, 3 BR, 2 BA
- Heat pump heating/cooling, induction cooking, CO2 HPWH
- Video tour:

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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HwZu_EoDBag

Modeled Peak Loads

- Heating load:
 - 9.0 kBtu/h (CA Code/ASHRAE)
 - 4.7 kBtu/h (PHPP)
- Cooling load:
 - 9.8 kBtu/h (CA Code/ASHRAE)
 - 2.6 kBtu/h (PHPP)

CA Energy Code Margins

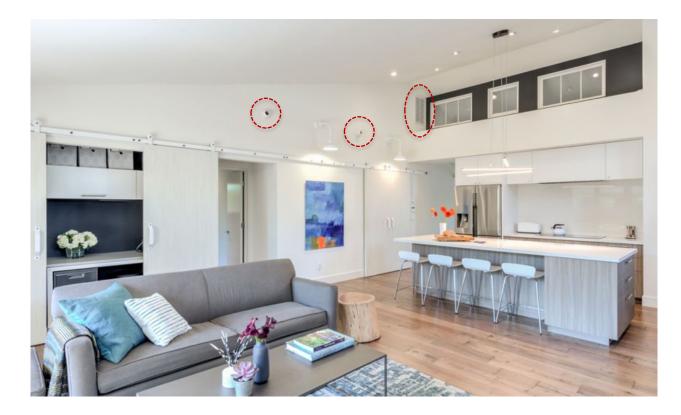
- 2013: 55% (permitted code)
- 2016: 56%
- 2019: 100% (including solar)



Sunnyvale House

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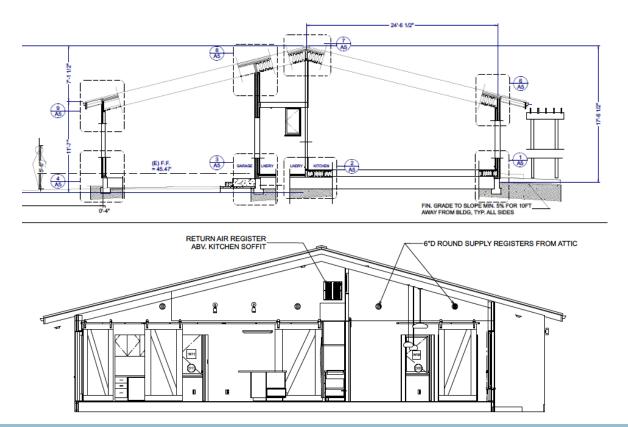




Step 1: Make Room for Mechanicals

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Source: Bronwyn Barry, PassiveHouseBB



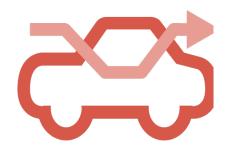
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Heating, Air -Conditioning



Fresh-Air Ventilation

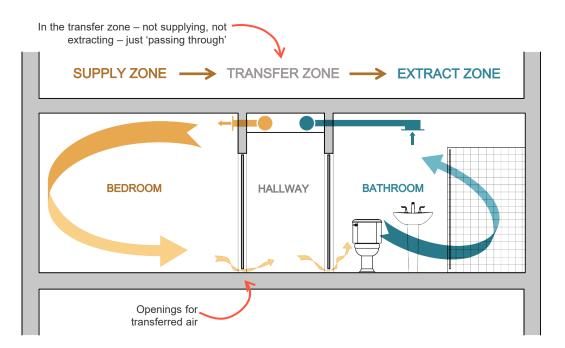


'Cascade' Ventilation

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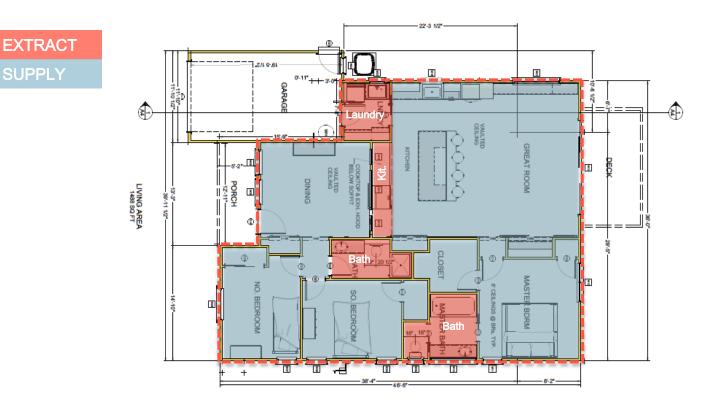
The distribution of ventilation (fresh air supply and stale air extraction) should **use as little ductwork as possible** but still provide airflow throughout the entire building:





Dedicated Fresh -Air Ventilation Layout

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Source: Bronwyn Barry, PassiveHouseBB

Fresh-Air: Energy Recovery Ventilator (ERV)







Zehnder ComfoAir 350

- 24/7 Balanced, Filtered Fresh Air
- Heat and Moisture Recovery
- Quiet
- Low-Energy

MERV 13 Filter

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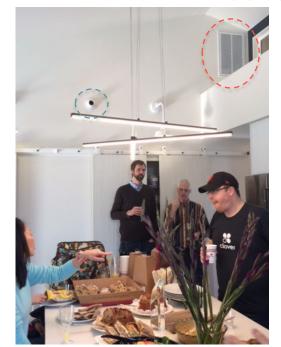
>75% Heat Recovery



Electric induction cooktop with dedicated exhaust hood



<u>Continuous</u> (24/7) balanced extract (high) and filtered fresh-air supply (low)



Source: Bronwyn Barry, PassiveHouseBB

Heating, Cooling, and Dehumidification



• Electric Heat Pump 'outdoor' unit

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 Chlorine-free non-ozone depleting refrigerant



- Electric Heat Pump 'indoor' unit
- Peak Heat Load: 4.2 kBtu/h
- Peak Cooling Load: 2.7 kBtu/h





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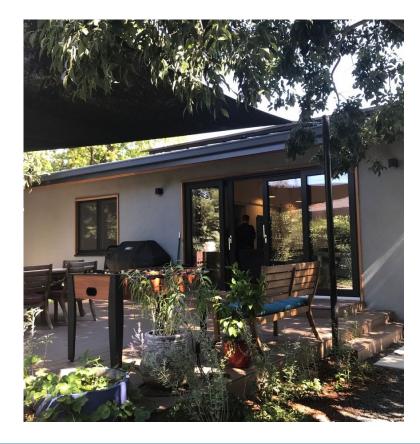
Electric Heat Pump Stiebel Eltron Accelera 300 80gallon HPWH

- Programmable
- Fits in the garage
- (Needs room to 'breathe')

Source: Bronwyn Barry, PassiveHouseBB





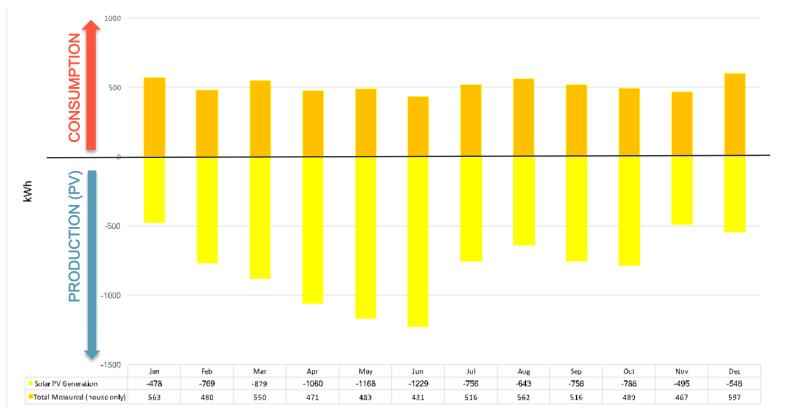


7.7 kW Sunpower PV Array



Measured Data: 2017 - 2018

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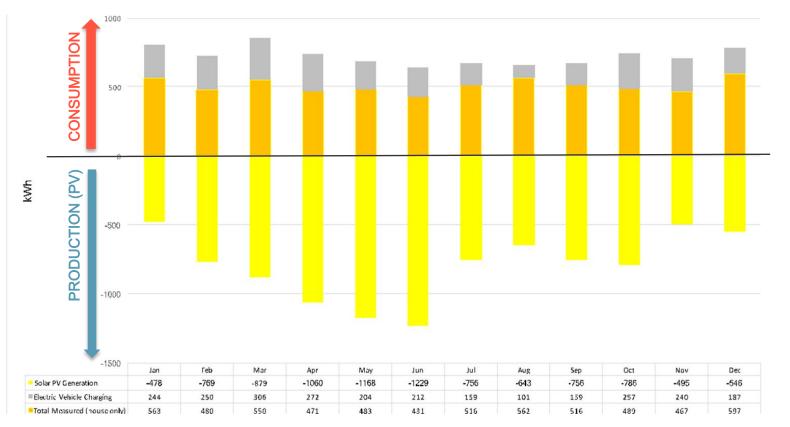


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And Add an Electric Car?





Measured Data: 2018 -2019

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The Passive House Network



CASE STUDY #2

PH-Plus | San Francisco, CA Townhouse Retrofit

FOCUS: Airtightness and Windows



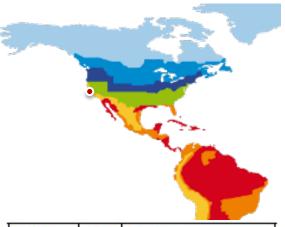




TEAM:

Architect: 450 Architects, Inc. Builder: Rinaldi Construction Co. Passive House Consultants: PH Academy





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		3	Cool-temperate	
		4	Warm-temperate	L,
		5	Warm	
	Cooling climate	6	Hot	-
	climate	7	Very hot	[

Location & Orientation

- 4 story SFR w/au pair apartment, 3,012 SF, 4 BR, 3 BA
- Electric resistance heating
- Gas cooking

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- CO2 Electric Heat Pump Hot Water
- Zero lot lines east and west
- LEED Platinum

Modeled Peak Loads

- Heating load:
 - 13.1 kBtu/h (CA Code/ASHRAE)
 - 7.4 kBtu/h (PHPP)
- Cooling load:
 - 37.0 kBtu/h (CA Code/ASHRAE)
 - 3.9 kBtu/h (PHPP)

CA Energy Code Margins

- 2013: 41% (permitted code)
- 2016: 68% better + ZNE
- 2019: 85% better + ZNE

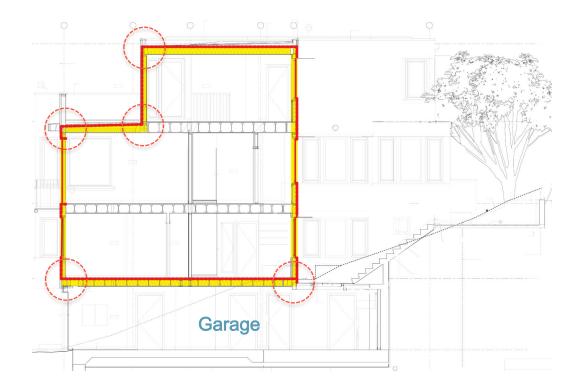






Air Barrier + Insulation Layer

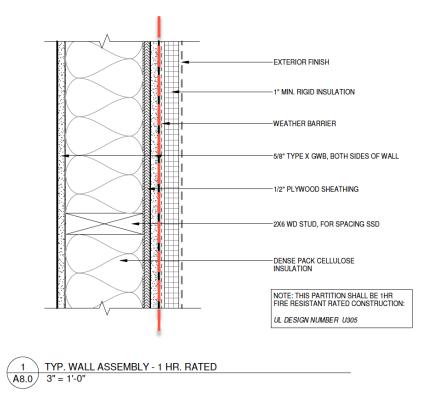






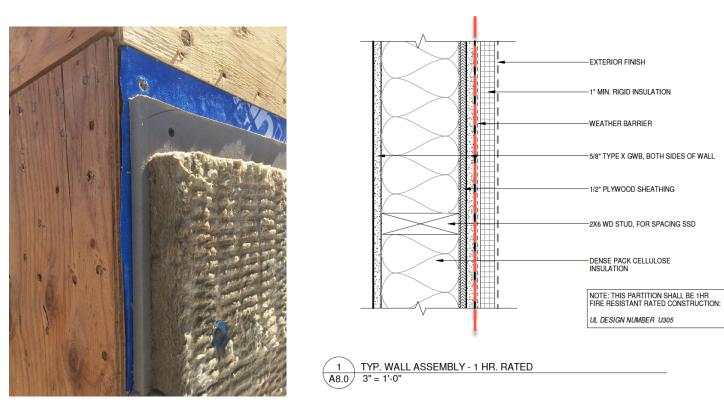












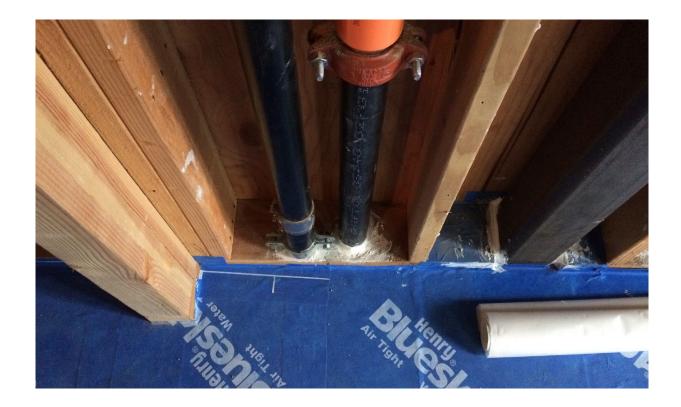












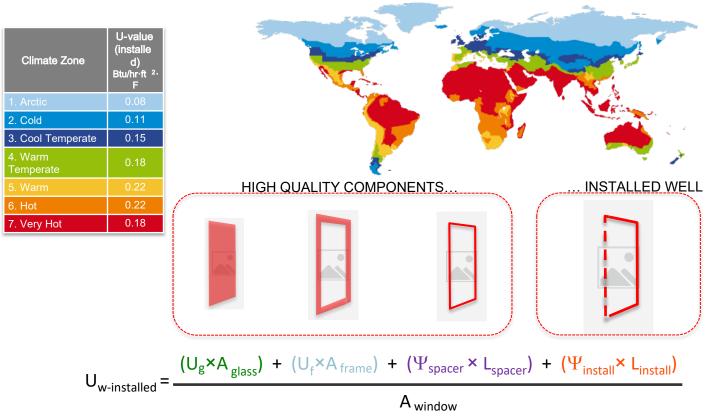




Maximum _{W-INSTALLED} by Climate Zone

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High - Performance Windows



Zola Classic Wood Frame: Tilt-Turn Operation U-0.245 Btu/hr-ft²-F

Glass:

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U-0.176 Btu/hr-ft²-F SHGC ~0.6 Double-Pane





Airtightness Gasketing

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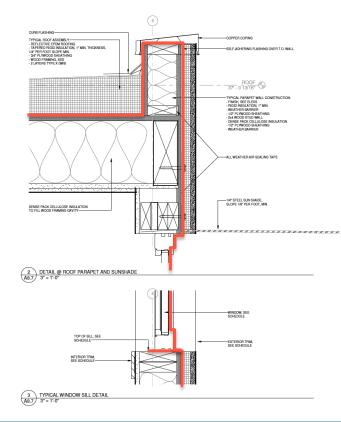




Window Installation Details

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Window Inputs in the PHPP

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Quantity	Description	Glazing	Frames (avg.)	PSI _{Glazing} _{edge} (Avg.)	PSI Installation (Avg.)	Window Area	Glazing area	U _w installed	Glazed fraction per window	Comfort	Energy balance
		BTU/hr-sf-F	BTU/hr-sf-F	BTU/hr-ft-F	BTU/hr-ft-F	m ²	m ²	BTU/hr-sf-F	%	Exemption	kWh/a
1	N0.1	0.06	0.19	0.023	0.023	1.6	1.05	0.16	65%		-88
1	N0.2	0.06	0.19	0.023	0.028	1.6	1.05	0.16	65%		-84
1	N0.3	0.06	0.19	0.023	0.023	1.6	1.05	0.16	65%		-88
1	N1.1	0.06	0.19	0.023	0.023	2.0	1.31	0.16	67%		-79
1	N1.2	0.06	0.19	0.023	0.028	2.0	1.31	0.15	67%		-75
1	N1.3	0.06	0.19	0.023	0.028	2.0	1.31	0.15	67%		-75
1	N1.4	0.06	0.19	0.023	0.023	2.0	1.31	0.16	67%		-79
1	N1.5	0.06	0.19	0.023	0.023	3.4	2.06	0.16	60%		-147
1	N1.6	0.06	0.19	0.023	0.023	3.4	2.06	0.16	60%		-147
1	N2.1	0.06	0.19	0.023	0.023	1.8	1.21	0.16	67%		-67
1	N2.2	0.06	0.19	0.023	0.023	1.8	1.21	0.16	67%		-67
1	N2.3	0.06	0.19	0.023	0.023	1.8	1.21	0.16	67%		-67
1	N3.1	0.06	0.19	0.023	0.028	1.7	1.11	0.16	66%		-59
1	N3.2	0.06	0.19	0.023	0.028	1.7	1.11	0.16	66%		-59
1	N3.3	0.06	0.19	0.023	0.028	1.7	1.11	0.16	66%		-59

$$(U_g \times A_{glass}) + (U_f \times A_{frame}) + (\Psi_{spacer} \times L_{spacer}) + (\Psi_{install} \times L_{install})$$

U_{w-installed}

A window

Individual Window Energy Balance

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CASE STUDY #3

'PHI Classic'| Berkeley, CA Single-Family Detached

FOCUS: Insulation + Thermal Bridging





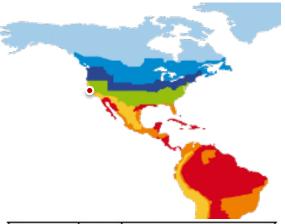


TEAM:

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Architect: Matthias Oppliger Builder: Master Builders Passive House Consultants: Home Energy Services





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	Heating	1	Arctic	
	climate	2	Cold	ľ
		3	Cool-temperate	ľ
		4	Warm-temperate	L.
		5	Warm	
-	Cooling	6	Hot	F
	climate	7	Very hot	[



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Location & Orientation

- 1 story SFR 1,035 ft2 + attached garage, 2 BR, 2 BA
- Electric resistance heating
- Induction cooking

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- CO2 Electric Heat Pump Hot Water
- LEED Platinum
- Video tour: <u>https://vimeo.com/470048016</u>

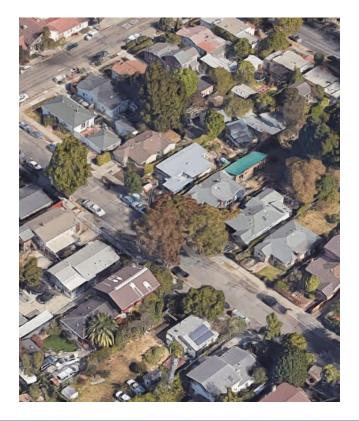
Modeled Peak Loads

- Heating load:
 - 8.2 kBtuh (CA Code/ASHRAE)
 - 2.8 kBtuh (PHPP)
- Cooling load:
 - 10.6 kBtuh (CA Code/ASHRAE)
 - 0.4 (PHPP)

CA Energy Code Margins

- 2016: 68% + ZNE (permitted code)
- 2019: 54%, not quite ZNE







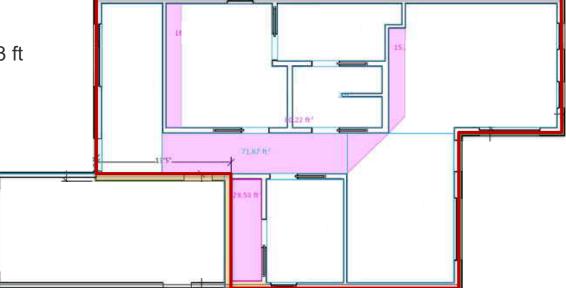








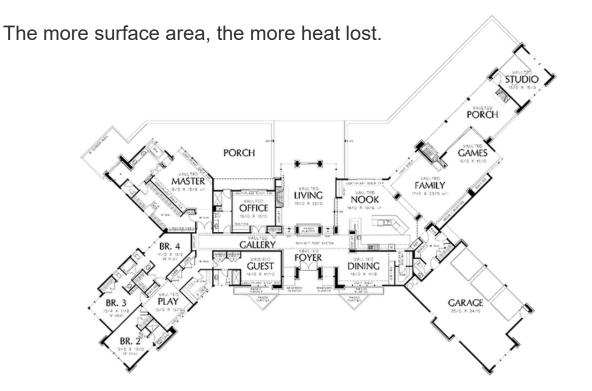
TFA: 874 ft2 Ceiling Heights: 9.83 ft Gross Vol: 8556 ft3 Net Vol: 8294 ft3



Passive House and Building Form

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Surface Area to Floor Area Ratio (SAR)

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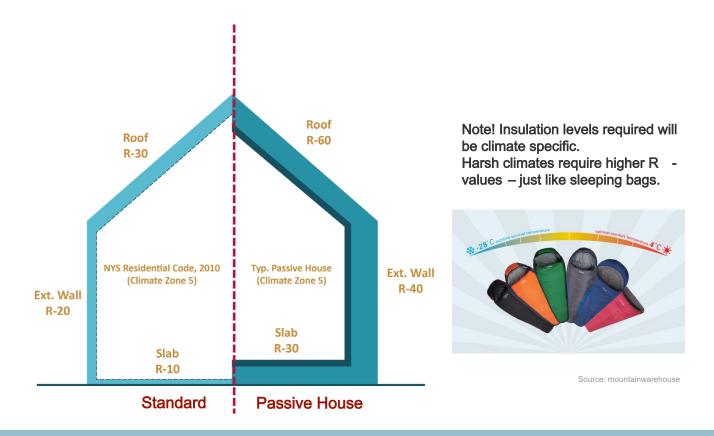


Surface Area to Floor (SAR) ratio = Total of all 38,400 ft 2 / 51,200 ft 2 ext. envelope areas (floor, walls, windows and roof) / Treated Floor Area (TFA) 25,600 ft ² / 25,600 ft 2 6,400 ft ² 4,800 ft / 3.200 / 1,600 ft 2 1.965 ft ² /400 ft 2 1,600 ft ² / 400 ft 2 2 story 1 story 1 story 1 story 4 story 8 story 40'x40' 20'x20' 20'x20' 40'x40' 80'x80' 80'x80' SAR = Gable SAR = 3.0SAR = 2.0SAR = 1.0 SAR = 0.8 4.0 SAR = 4.9

Climate Specific, Continuous Insulation

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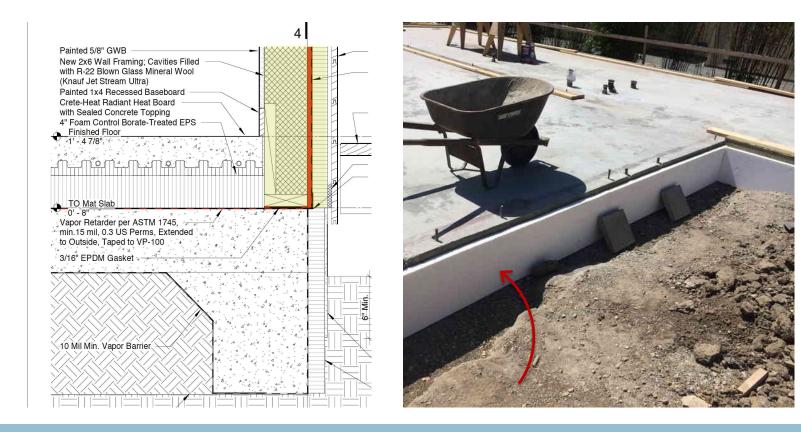






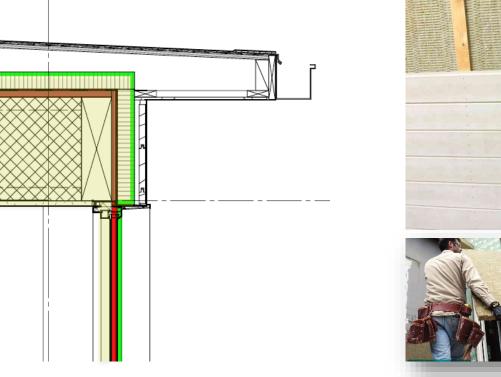








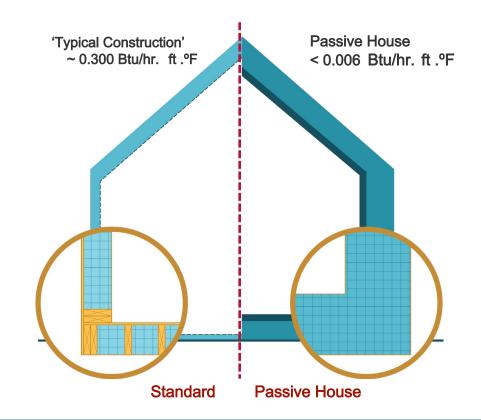






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Thermal Bridges: Condensation, Mold

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Thermal Bridges: Heat Loss

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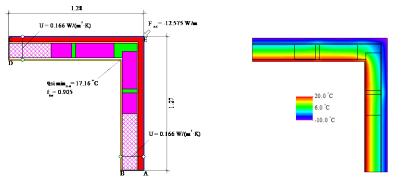




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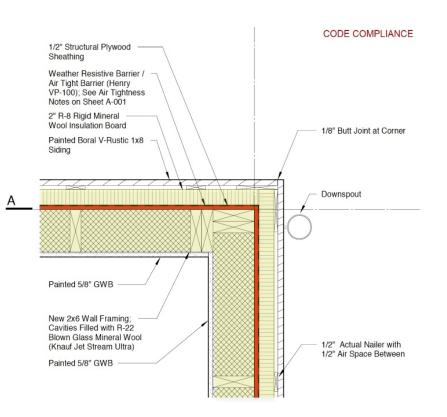
"We have R-11 radiant barrier paint on the projecting slabs..." *-BSI-062: Thermal Bridges Redux*

Typical Outside Corner



$$\mathbf{y}_{\text{sec}} = \frac{F}{DT} - \mathbf{U}_1 \cdot \mathbf{b}_1 - \mathbf{U}_2 \cdot \mathbf{b}_2 = \frac{12.575}{30.000} - 0.166 \cdot 1.269 - 0.166 \cdot 1.283 = -0.005 \text{ W/(m-K)}$$

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	Drywall	0.209	Interior, normal, horizontal	20,000	0.130
	Finming Lumber	0.130	Symmetry/Model section		
	JetStream Ultra	0.034			
	OSB	0.130			
	Roxul Rockboard 60	0.034			

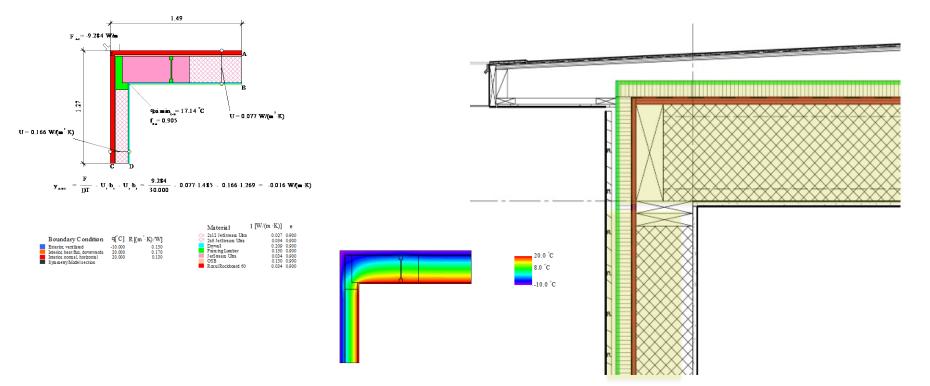






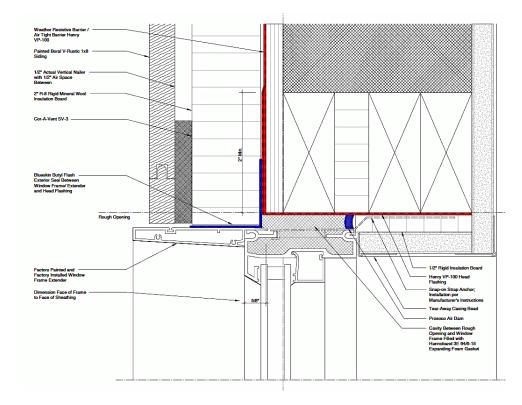
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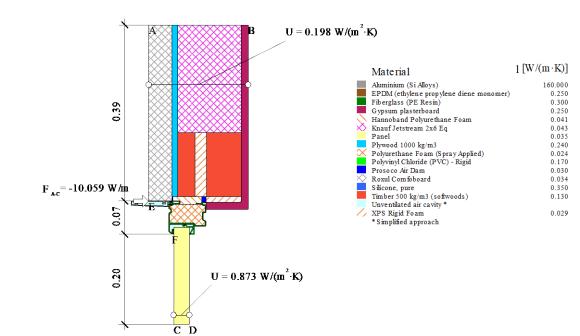


Window Details are Critical









$$\mathbf{y}_{AEC,*} = \frac{\mathbf{F}}{\mathbf{DT}} - \mathbf{U}_1 \cdot \mathbf{b}_1 - \mathbf{U}_2 \cdot \mathbf{b}_2 - \mathbf{U}_3 \cdot \mathbf{b}_3 = \frac{10.059}{30.000} - 0.198 \cdot 0.386 - 0.873 \cdot 0.073 - 0.873 \cdot 0.198 = 0.022 \text{ W/(m-K)}$$

PASSIVE HOUSE RESULTS COMFORTABLE





PASSIVE HOUSE RESULTS HEALTHY







PASSIVE HOUSE RESULTS ULTRA-LOW ENERGY USE





PASSIVE HOUSE RESULTS PREDICTABLE & RESILIENT





PASSIVE HOUSE RESULTS COST EFFECTIVE



Published Resources



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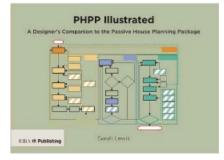
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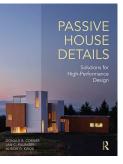
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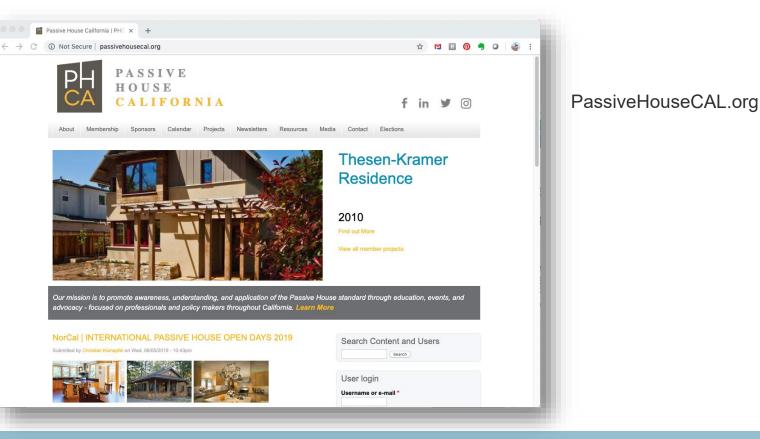
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