#### **ARCHITECTURAL STRUCTURES:**

FORM, BEHAVIOR, AND DESIGN

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lecture

structural system

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## Structural Organization

- classifications
  - geometry
    - · line-forming
    - · surface-forming
  - stiffness
    - rigid
    - flexible
  - one-way or two-way
    - · spatial organization and load transfer
  - materials

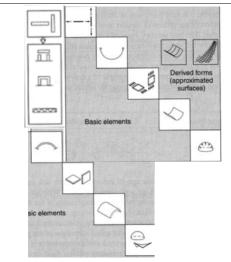
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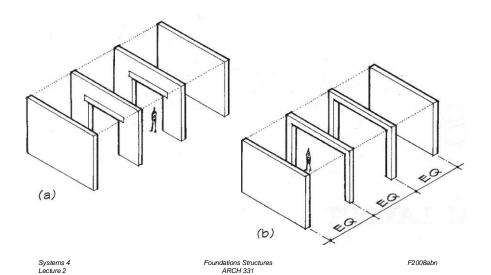
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## Structural Components

- bearing walls
- columns
- beams
- flat plates
- trusses
- arches
- shells
- · cables



## Bearing Walls



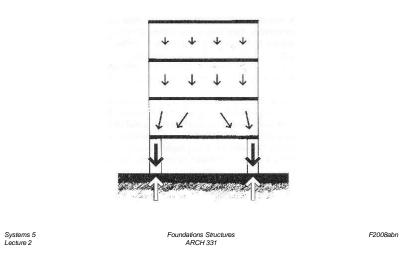
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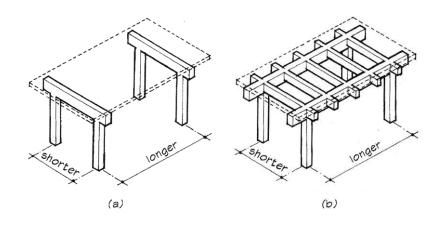
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## Bearing Walls

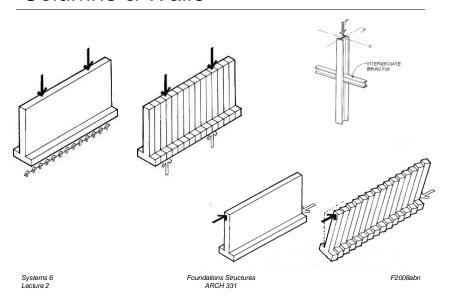
• behavior as "deep beams"



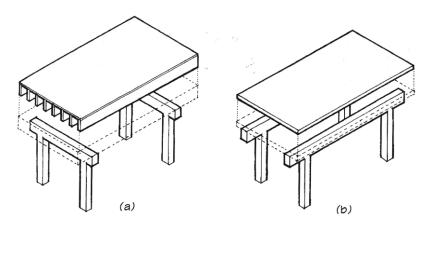
## Beams & Plates



## Columns & Walls



## Beams & Plates



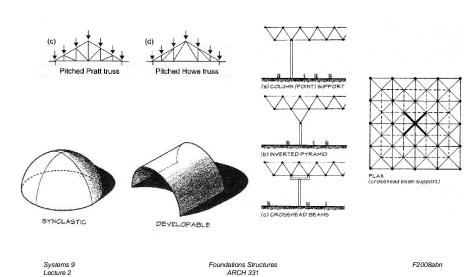
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#### Trusses and Shells

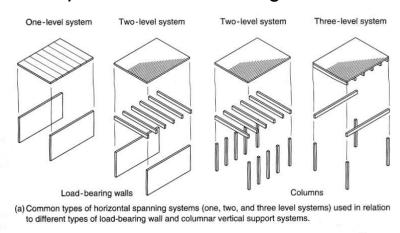


## **Building Framing**

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## • Components or Assemblages

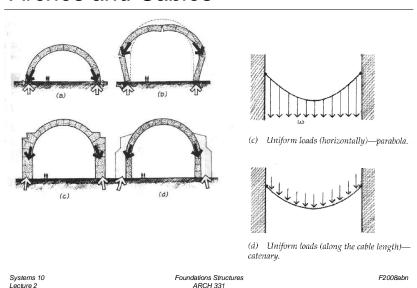


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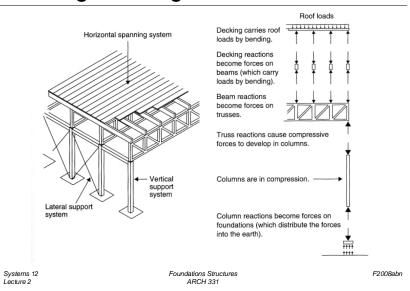
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### Arches and Cables

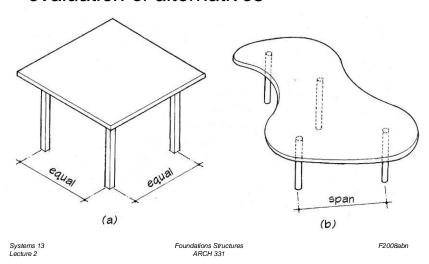


## **Building Framing**



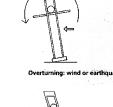
## System Selection

evaluation of alternatives



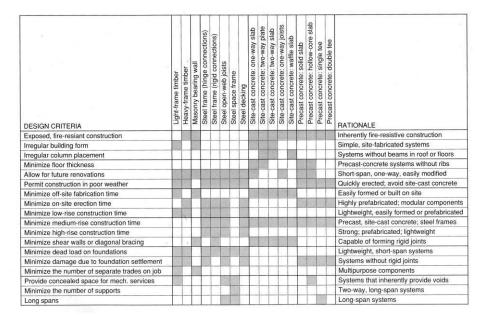
## Structural Design Criteria

- components stay together
- · structure acts as whole to be stable
  - resist sliding
  - resist overturning
  - resist twisting and distortion
- internal stability
  - interconnectedness
- strength & stiffness





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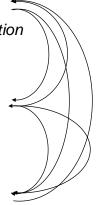


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## Structural Design Sequences

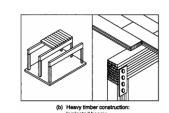
- first-order design
  - structural type and organization
  - design intent
  - contextual or programmatic
- second-order
  - structural strategies
  - material choice
  - structural systems
- third-order
  - member shaping & sizing

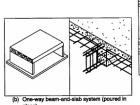


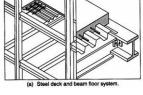
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## Systems by Materials

- Wood
- Steel
- Concrete
- Masonry
- Composite







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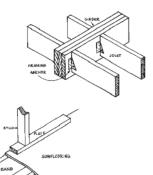
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### Timber Construction

- all-wood framing systems
  - studs, beams, floor diaphragms, shearwalls
  - glulam arches & frames
  - post & beams
  - trusses
- composite construction
  - masonry shear walls
  - concrete
  - steel

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### **Timber Construction**

- · studs, beams
- floor diaphragms & shear walls



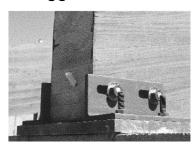


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### **Timber Construction**

- glulam arches & frames
  - manufactured or custom shapes
  - glue laminated
  - bigger members





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#### Timber Construction

post & beam

• trusses



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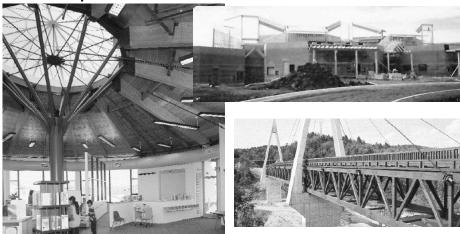
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### Timber Construction

• composite construction



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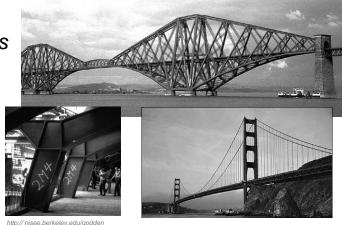
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### Steel

- cast iron wrought iron steel
- cables
- columns
- beams
- trusses
- frames

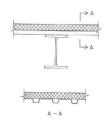
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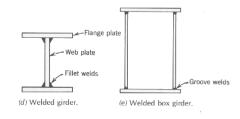
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## Steel Construction

- standard rolled shapes
- open web joists
- plate girders
- decking



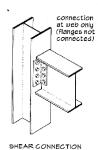


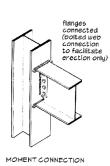
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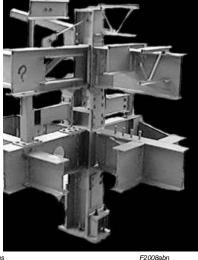
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### Steel Construction

- welding
- bolts







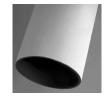
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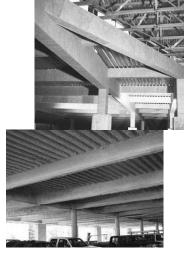
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### Steel Construction

- fire proofing
  - cementicious spray
  - encasement in gypsum
  - intumescent expands with heat
  - sprinkler system





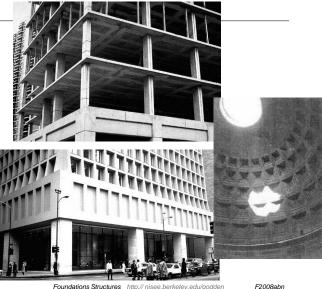


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### Concrete

- columns
- beams
- slabs
- domes
- footings



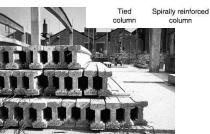
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### Concrete Construction

- cast-in-place
- tilt-up
- prestressing
- post-tensioning







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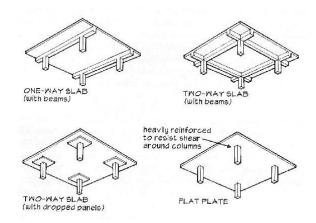
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## Concrete Floor Systems

• types & spanning direction

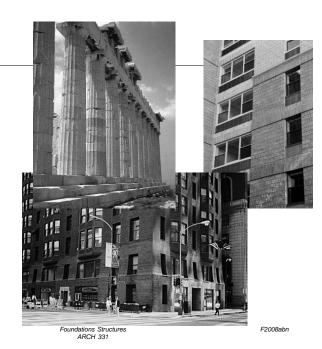


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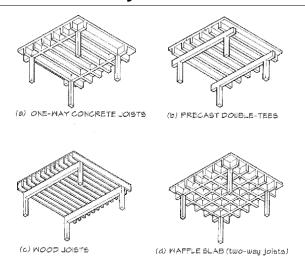
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## Masonry

- columns
- walls
- lintels
- beams
- arches
- footings



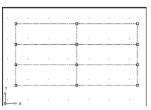
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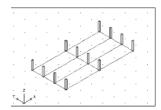


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### Grids and Patterns

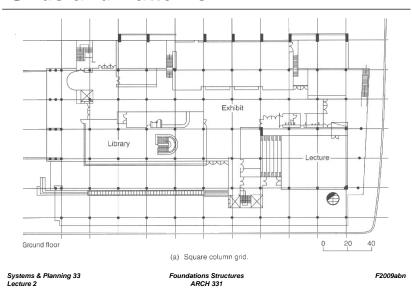
- often adopted early in design
  - give order
  - cellular, ex.
- vertical and horizontal
- square and rectangular
  - single-cell
  - aggregated bays





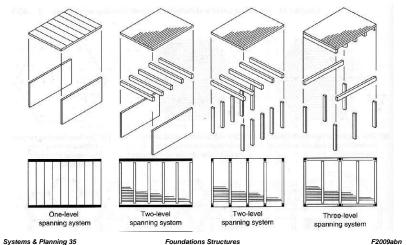
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### Grids and Patterns



## One-Way Systems

· horizontal vs. vertical



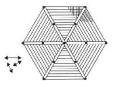
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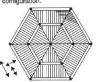
- total of components
- · behavior of whole
- classifications
  - one-way
  - two-way
  - tubes
  - braced
  - unbraced



(c) Two-way flat-plate system (without beams) for a hexagonal or circular configuration.



 (a) One-way radial beam-and-column system for a hexagonal or circular configuration.



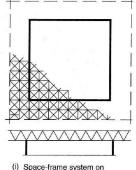
 (b) One-way circumferential beamand-column system plan for hexagonal or circular configuration.

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## Two-Way Systems

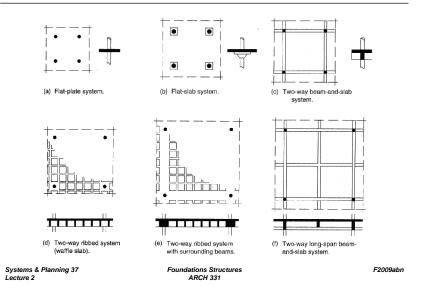
- spanning system less obvious
- horizontal
  - plates
  - slabs
  - space frames
- vertical
  - columns
  - walls



walls with cantilevers.

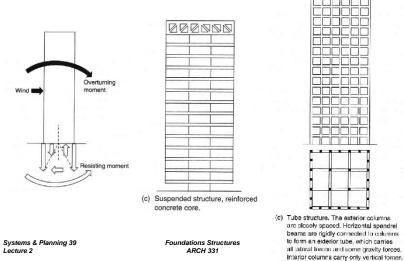
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## Two-Way Systems



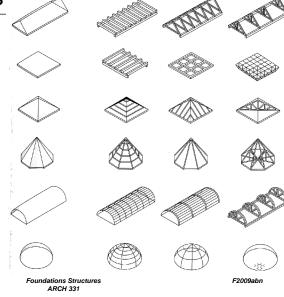
### Tubes & Cores

#### stiffness



## Roof Shapes

- coincide
- within

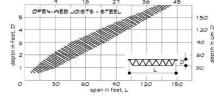


Framing Alternatives

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## Span Lengths

- crucial in selection of system
- maximum spans
   on charts aren't
   absolute limits,
   but <u>usual</u> maximums

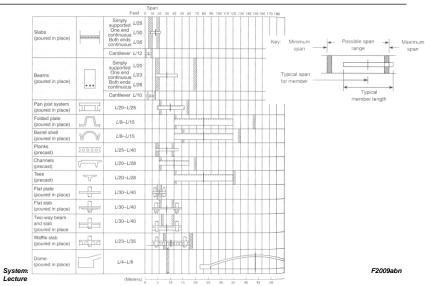


- increase L, increase depth<sup>2</sup> required (ex. cantilever)
- · deflections depend on L

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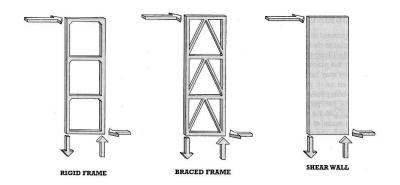
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## Approximate Depths



## Design Issues

• lateral stability – all directions



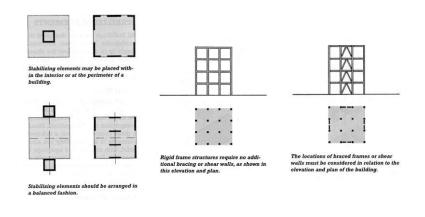
## Loading Type and Structure Type

- light uniform loads
  - surface forming elements
  - those that pick up first load dictate spacing of other elements
- heavy concentrated loads
  - member design unique
- distributed vs. concentrated structural strategies
  - large beam vs. many smaller ones

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## Design Issues

configuration

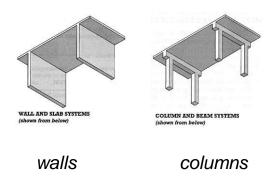


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## Design Issues

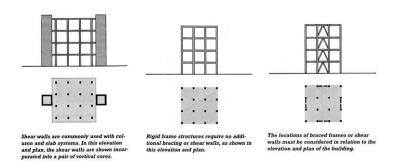
#### vertical load resistance



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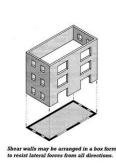
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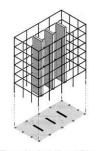
· lateral load resistance



Design Issues

· lateral load resistance



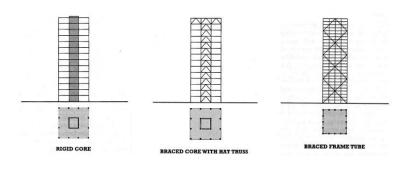


When combined with other stabilizing mechanisms, shear walls may be arranged so as to resist forces in only one direction of a building.

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## Design Issues

- multi-story
  - cores, tubes, braced frames



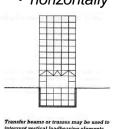
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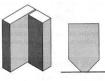
## Design Issues

- multi-story
  - avoid discontinuities
    - vertically
    - horizontally









Discrete building masses should be stru turally independent. Inherently unstable building masses should be avoided.





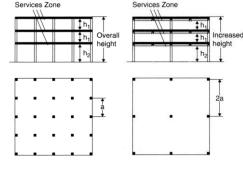
Discontinuities in the stiffness of structures at different levels should be avoided or additional stabilizing elements may be required.

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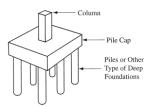
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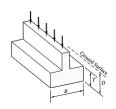
- wide grid = deep beams
  - increased building height
  - heavier
  - foundation design
- codes and zoning may limit
- utilize depth for mechanical



### Foundation Influence

- type may dictate fit
  - piles vs. mats vs. spread
  - capacity of soil to sustain loads
    - high capacity smaller area of bearing needing and can spread out
    - low capacity multiple contacts and big distribution areas

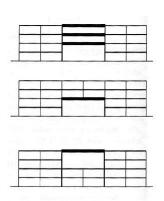




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## Large Spaces

- ex. auditoriums, gyms, ballrooms
- choices
  - separate two systems completely and connect along edges
  - embed in finer grid
  - staggered truss



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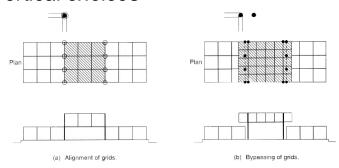
## Meeting of Grids

- · common to use more than one grid
- intersection important structurally
- · can use different structural materials
  - need to understand their properties
    - mechanical
    - thermal

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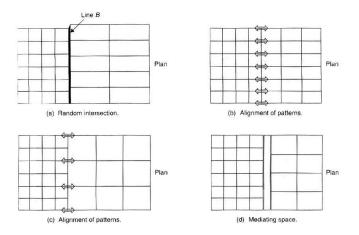
## Meeting of Grids

· vertical choices



## Meeting of Grids

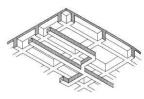
horizontal choices



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### Other Conditions

- circulation
- building service systems
  - one-way systems have space for parallel runs
  - trusses allow for transverse penetration
  - pass beneath or interstitial floors
    - for complex or extensive services or flexibility

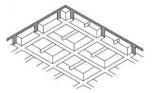


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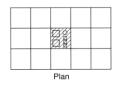
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#### Other Conditions

- poking holes for member services
  - horizontal
    - need to consider area removed, where removed, and importance to shear or bending



- vertical
  - · requires framing at edges
  - can cluster openings to eliminate a bay
- double systems



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## Fire Safety & Structures

- degree of occupancy hazards
- building heights
- maximum floor areas between fire wall divisions
  - can impact load bearing wall location

### Fire Safety & Structures

- fire safety requirements can impact structural selection
- construction types
  - light
    - residential
    - · wood-frame or unprotected metal
  - medium
    - masonry
  - heavy
    - · protected steel or reinforced concrete

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## Fire Safety & Structures

- resistance ratings by failure type
  - transmission failure
    - fire or gasses move
  - structural failure
    - · high temperatures reduce strength
  - failure when subjected to water spray
    - necessary strength
- ratings <u>do not pertain</u> to usefulness of structure after a fire

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