



SUBJECT

# BUILDING TECHNOLOGY I

## site work & shallow foundations

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# this week

## **objective:**

overview of the function of foundations and the process of designing foundations



- \* foundation requirements
- \* foundation settlement
- \* earth materials
- \* geotechnical investigation
- \* excavation & shoring
- \* shallow foundations
- \* water proofing foundations



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### FOUNDATIONS MUST SUPPORT ALL POSSIBLE LOADS:

- DEAD LOADS
- LIVE LOADS
- RAIN & SNOW LOADS
- WIND LOADS
- SEISMIC LOADS
- SOIL & HYDROSTATIC PRESSURE



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### FOUNDATIONS MUST MEET FOLLOWING THREE GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

1. MUST BE SAFE AGAINST STRUCTURAL FAILURE THAT COULD RESULT IN COLLAPSE
2. MUST NOT SETTLE DURING LIFE OF BUILDING IN SUCH A WAY THAT WOULD DAMAGE STRUCTURE OR IMPAIR FUNCTION
3. MUST BE FEASIBLE, ECONOMICAL, & PRACTICAL (WITH NO IMPACT ON NEIGHBORS)



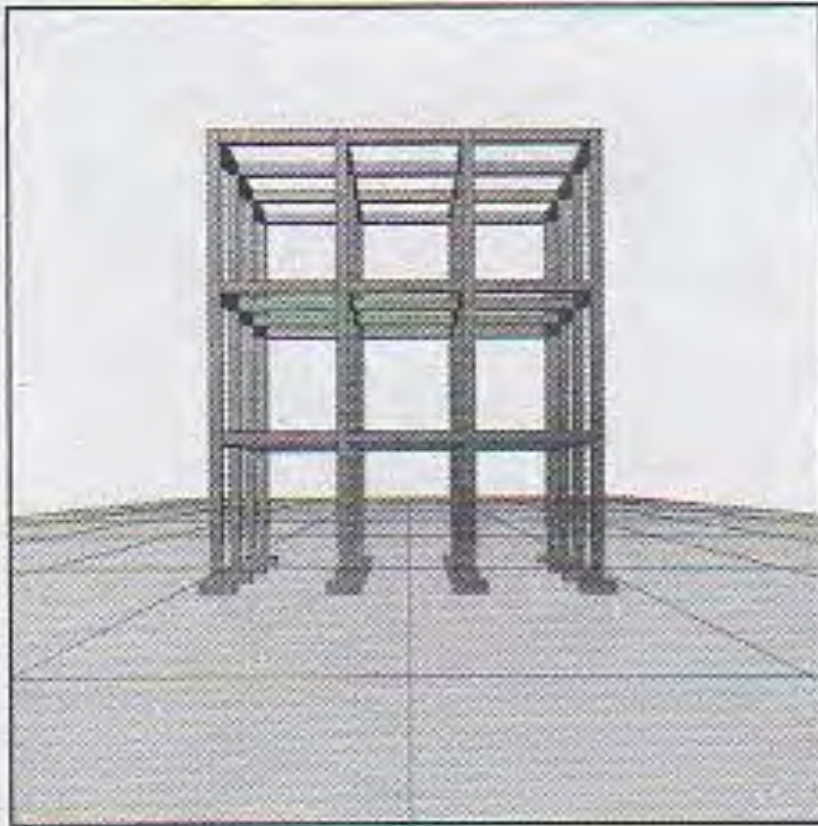


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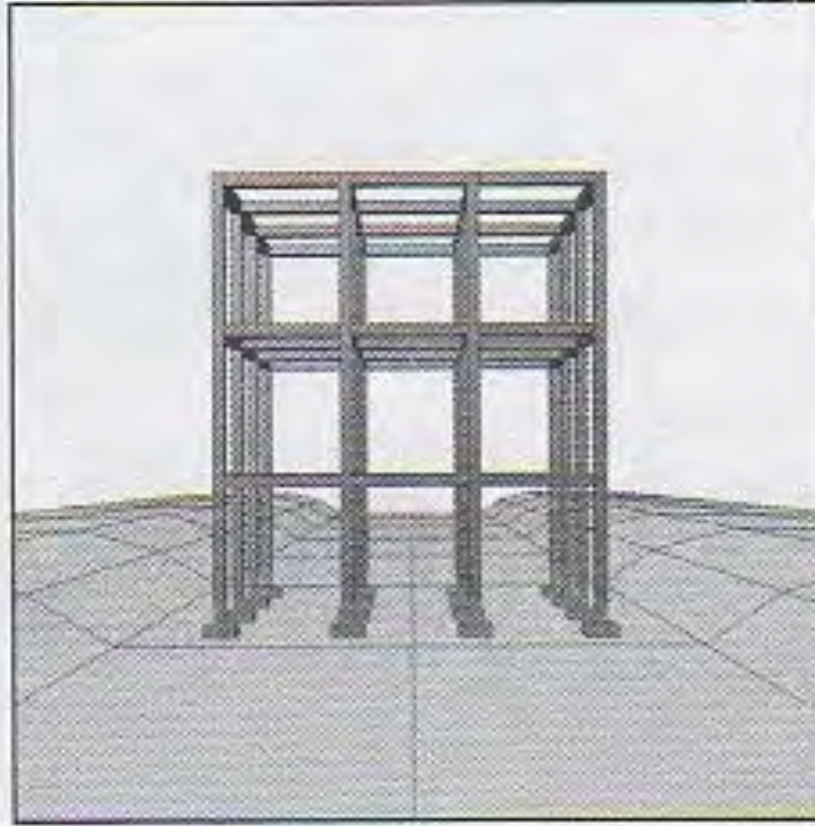
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# settlement

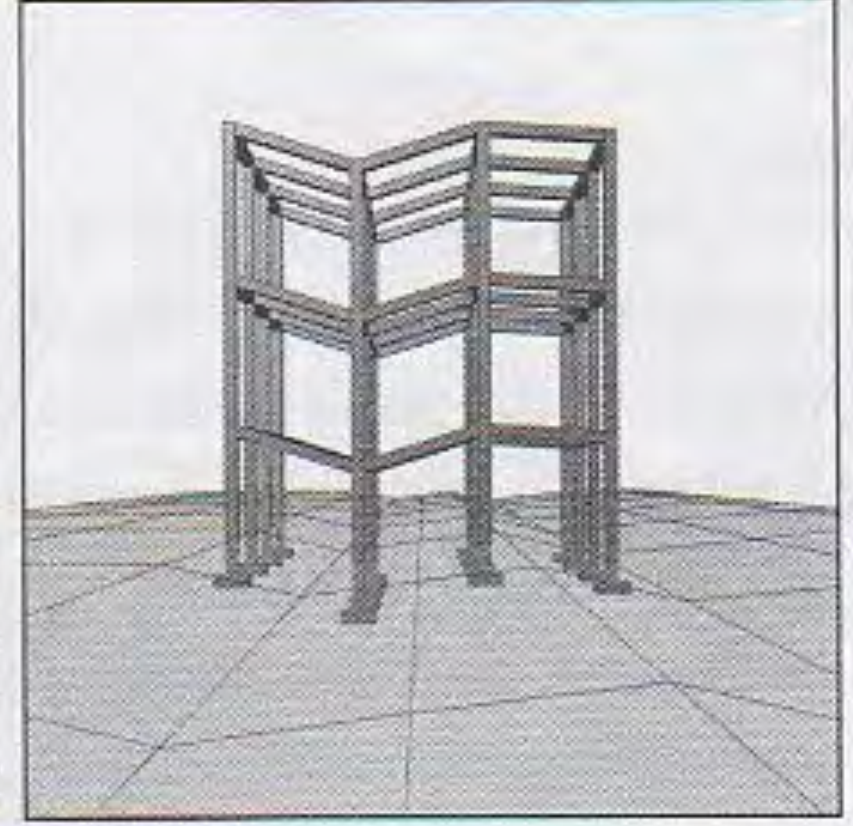
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*(a)* Building before settlement occurs



*(b)* Uniform settlement



*(c)* Differential settlement



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### **EARTH MATERIALS ARE CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO:**

- **PARTICLE SIZE**
- **PRESENCE OF ORGANIC CONTENT**
- **SENSITIVITY TO MOISTURE  
CONTENT**

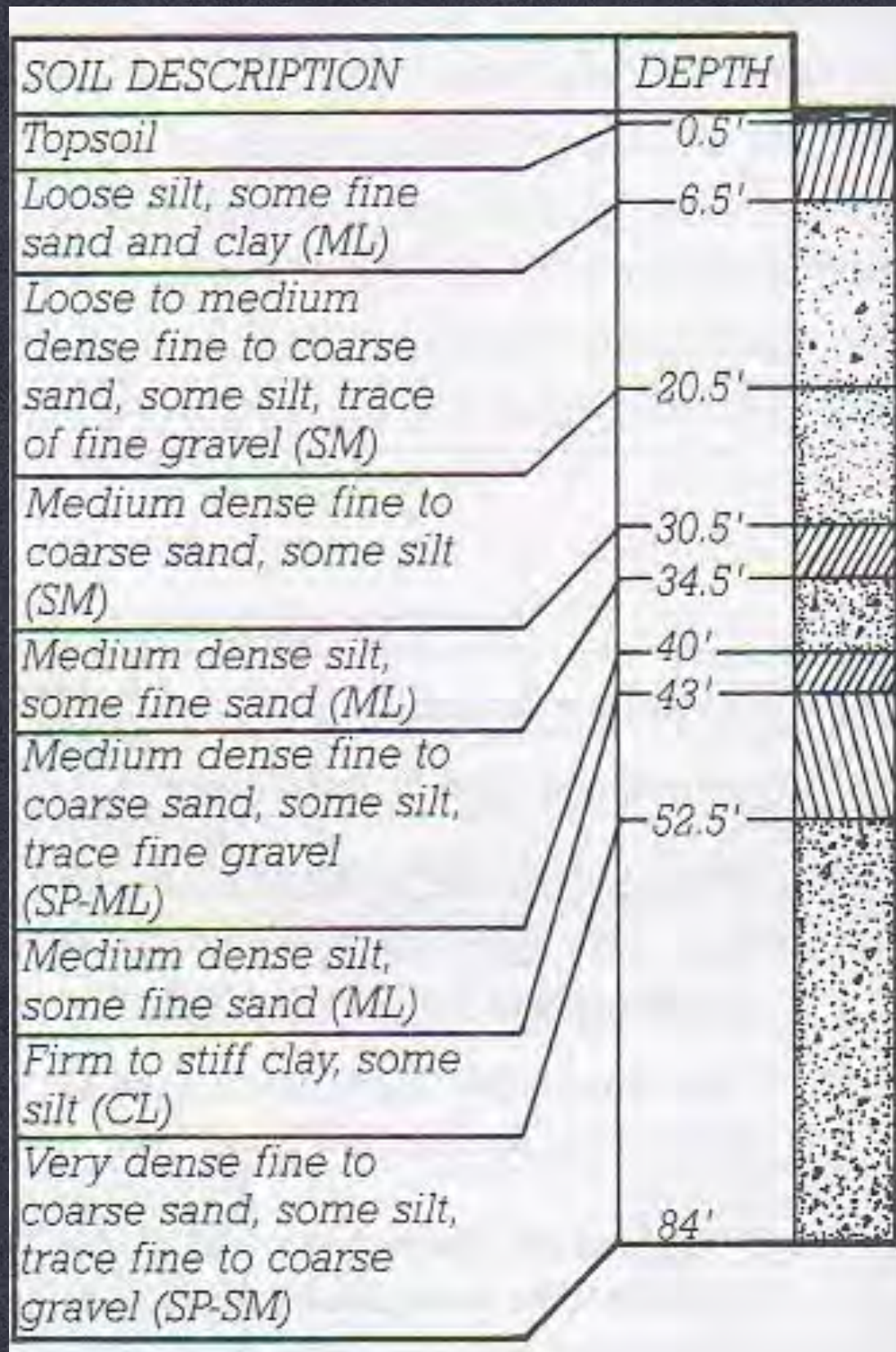


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### DETERMINE SOIL AND WATER CONDITIONS BENEATH THE SITE:

- DIG A TEST PIT (VIABLE UP TO 16' DEPTH)
- CORE DRILL TEST BORING (DEPTH LIMIT BASED ON REACH OF EQUIPMENT)



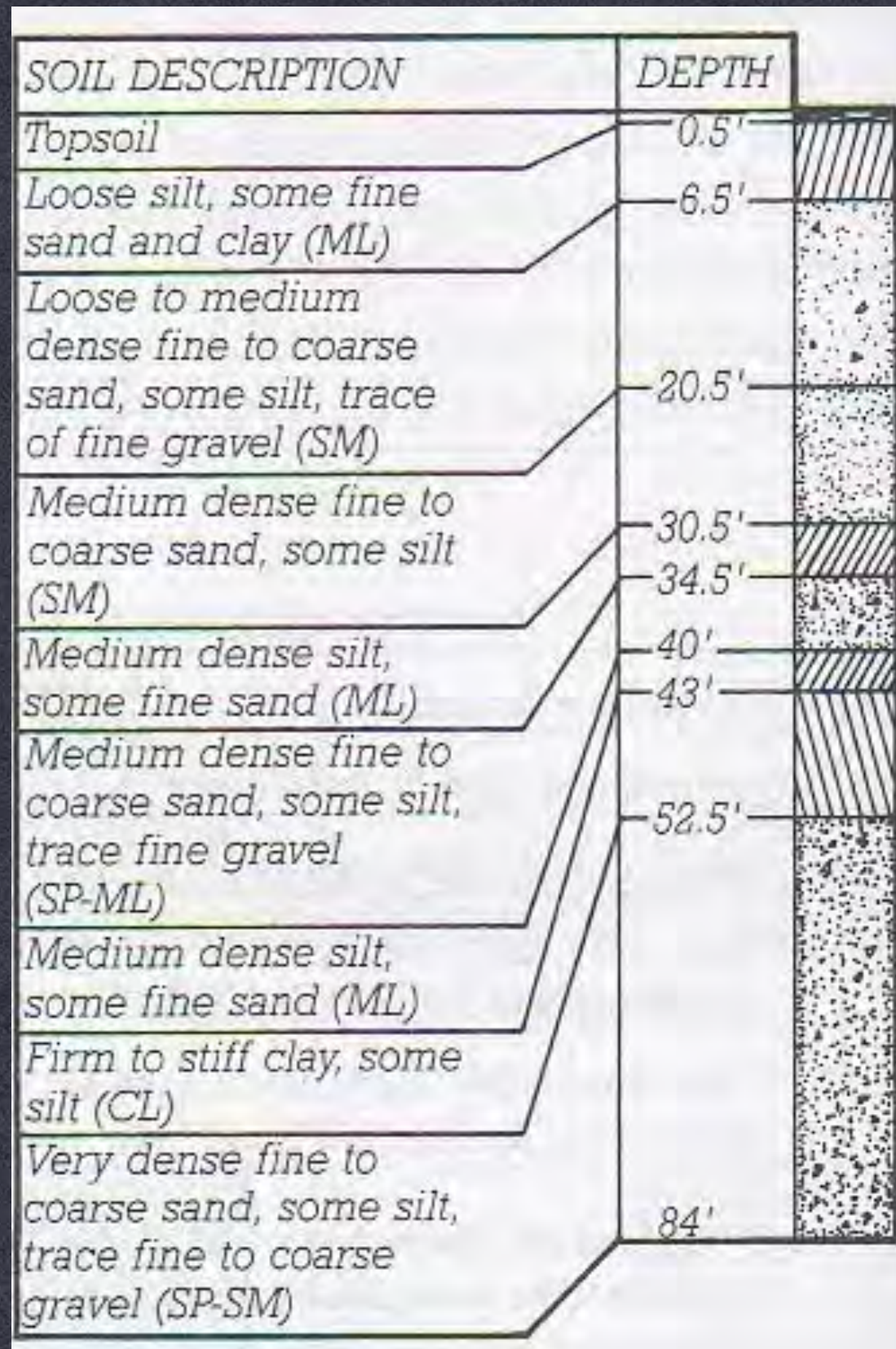


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### USE TEST PIT OR TEST BORING TO DETERMINE:

- WATER TABLE (WHERE SOIL IS SATURATED)
- SAMPLES TAKEN TO A LABORATORY EXAMINE THE PROPERTIES OF THE EARTH MATERIALS BENEATH THE SITE

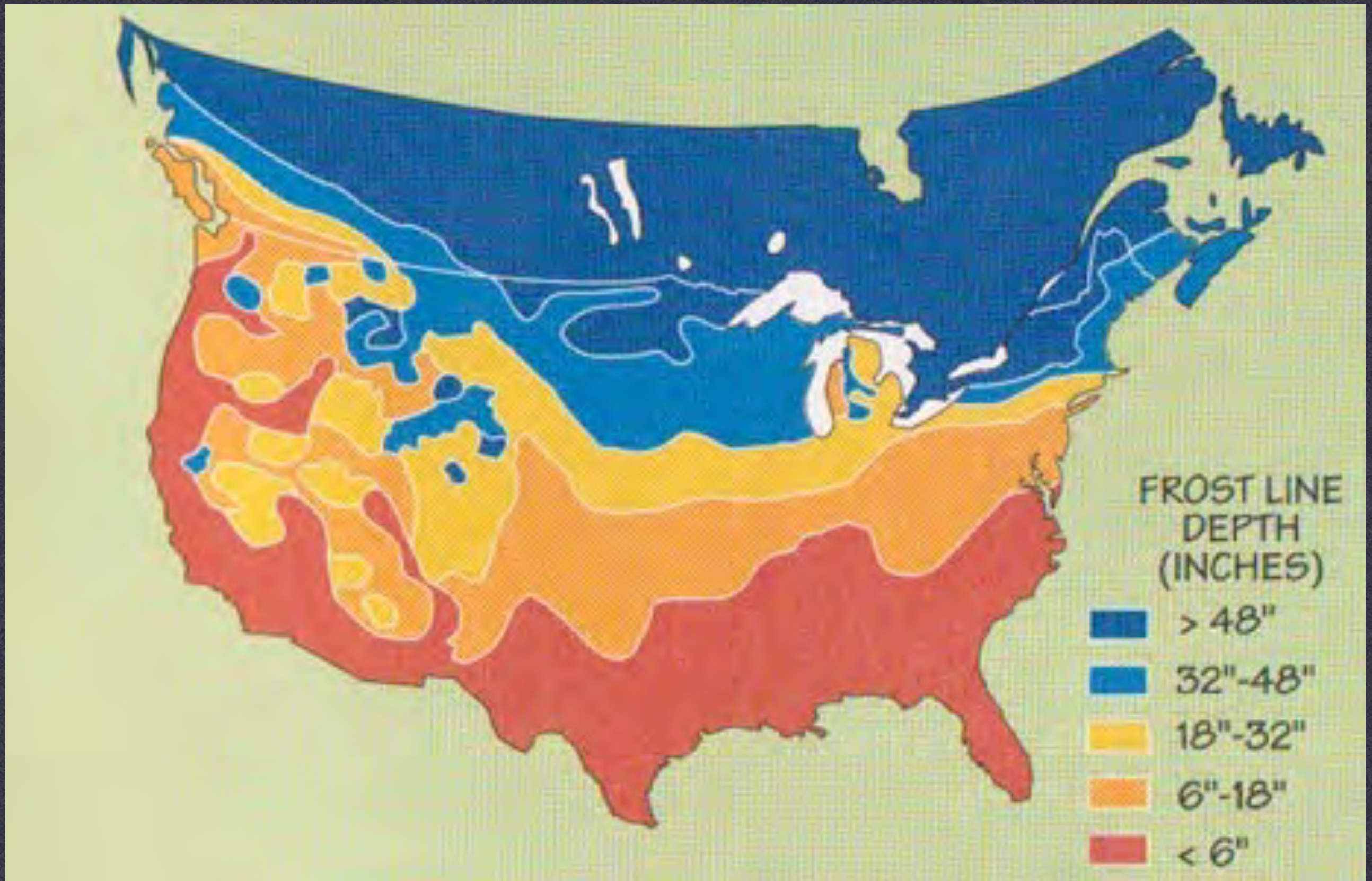


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**TABLE 1804.2**  
**ALLOWABLE FOUNDATION AND LATERAL PRESSURE**

CLASS OF MATERIALS	ALLOWABLE FOUNDATION PRESSURE (psf) <sup>d</sup>	LATERAL BEARING (psf/f below natural grade) <sup>d</sup>	LATERAL SLIDING	
			Coefficient of friction <sup>a</sup>	Resistance (psf) <sup>b</sup>
1. Crystalline bedrock	12,000	1,200	0.70	—
2. Sedimentary and foliated rock	4,000	400	0.35	—
3. Sandy gravel and/or gravel (GW and GP)	3,000	200	0.35	—
4. Sand, silty sand, clayey sand, silty gravel and clayey gravel (SW, SP, SM, SC, GM and GC)	2,000	150	0.25	—
5. Clay, sandy clay, silty clay, clayey silt, silt and sandy silt (CL, ML, MH and CH)	1,500 <sup>c</sup>	100	—	130

For SI: 1 pound per square foot = 0.0479 kPa, 1 pound per square foot per foot = 0.157 kPa/m.

a. Coefficient to be multiplied by the dead load.

b. Lateral sliding resistance value to be multiplied by the contact area, as limited by Section 1804.3.

c. Where the building official determines that in-place soils with an allowable bearing capacity of less than 1,500 psf are likely to be present at the site, the allowable bearing capacity shall be determined by a soils investigation.

d. An increase of one-third is permitted when considering load combinations, including wind or earthquake loads, as permitted by Section 1605.3.2.

## ON SITE AND LABORATORY INVESTIGATION CAN DETERMINE:

- THE ALLOWABLE FOUNDATION PRESSURE FOR THE GIVEN EARTH MATERIALS BENEATH THE SITE



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## EXCAVATION PROCESS:

### A. SLOPED / LAID BACK EXCAVATION

#### i. ANGLE OF REPOSE

### B. BENCHED EXCAVATION

### C. SLOPE SUPPORT/SHORING

#### i. SOLDIER BEAMS & LAGGING

#### ii. SHEET PILING

#### iii. SLURRY WALL

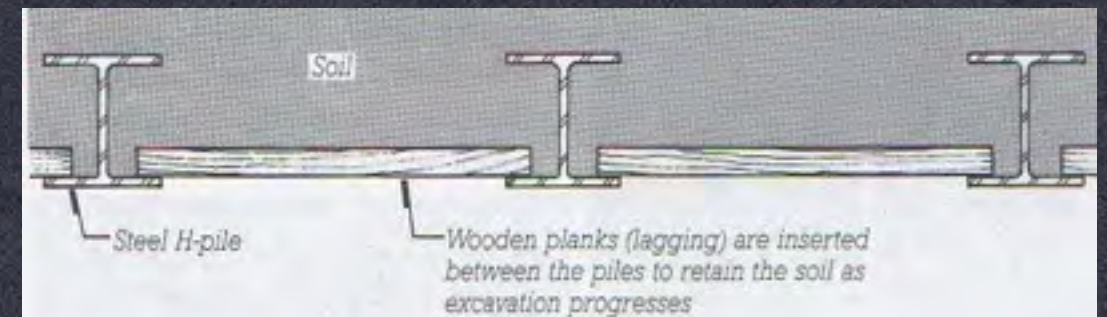
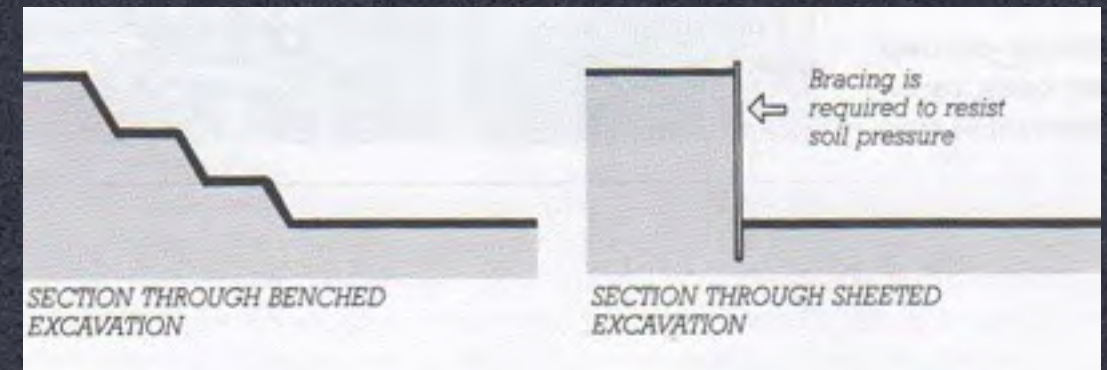


FIGURE 2.10  
Soldier beams and lagging, seen in horizontal section.





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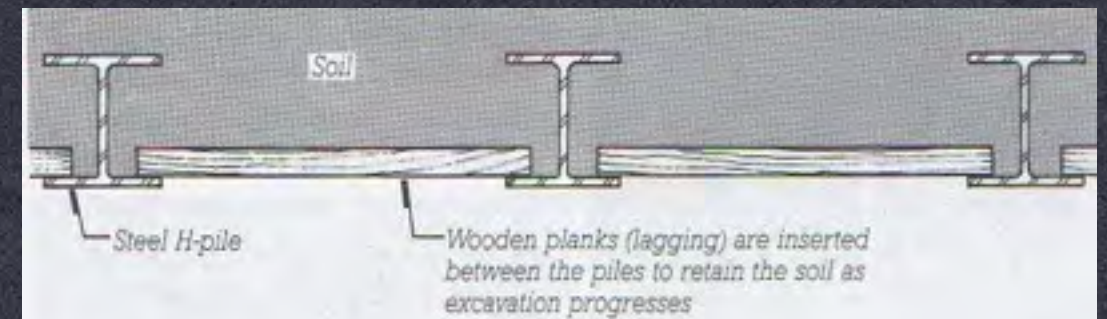
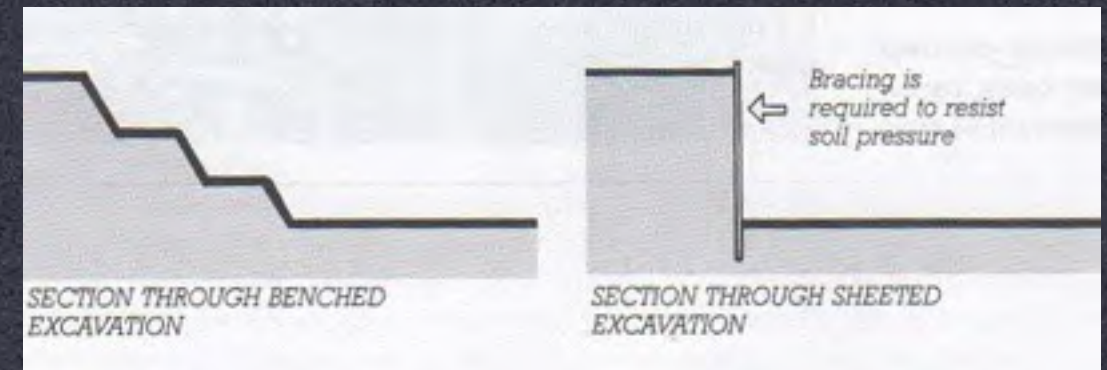
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**SOLDIER BEAMS & LAGGING**



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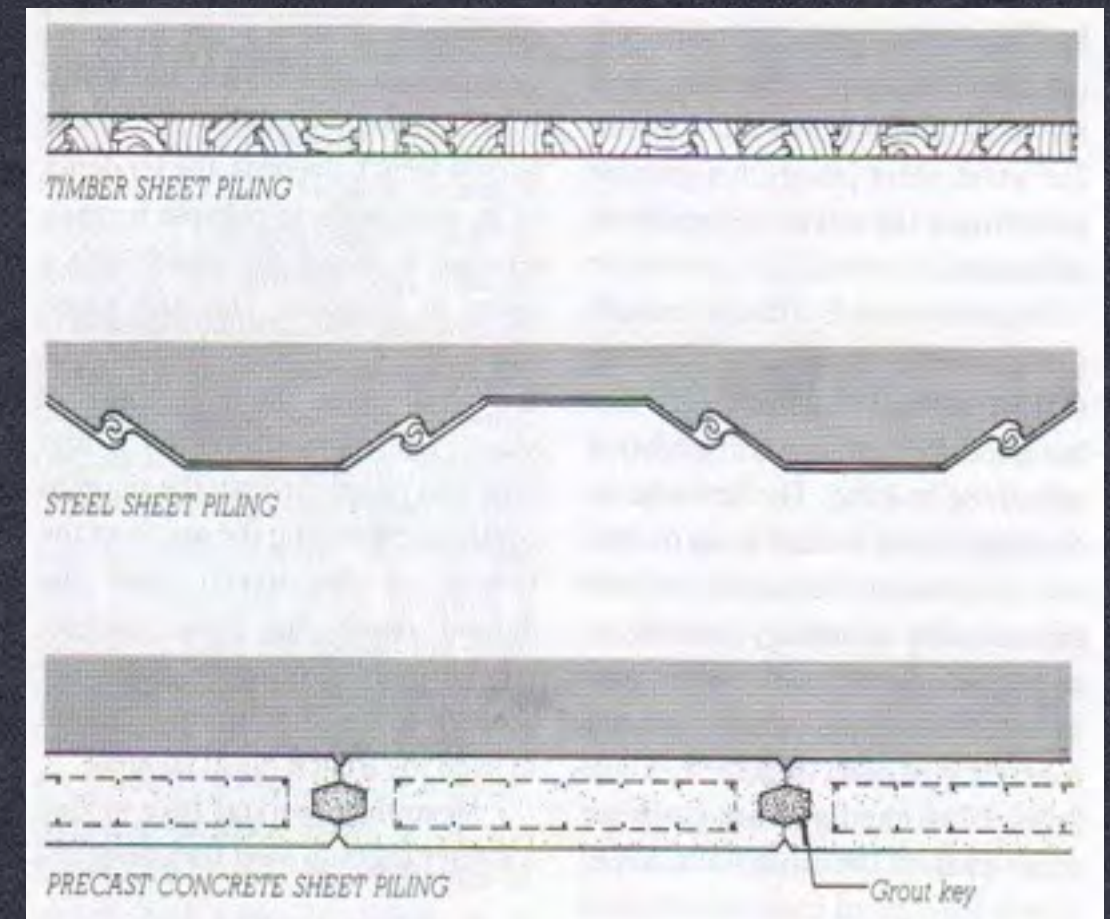
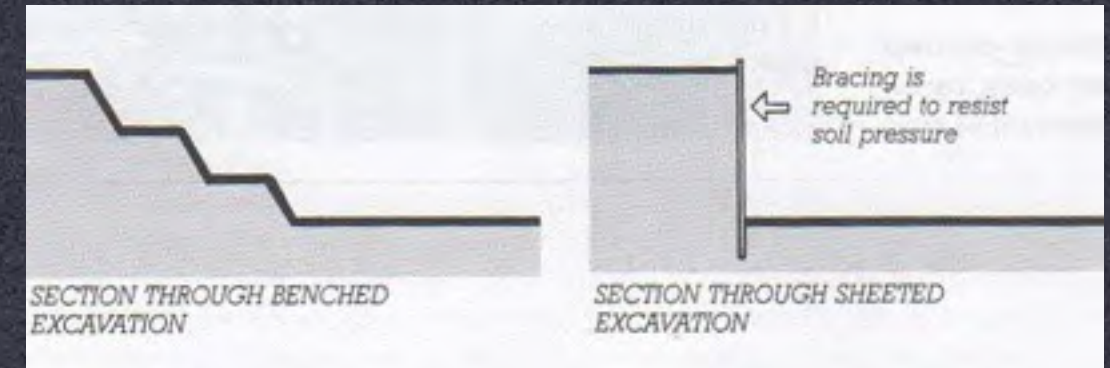


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**SHEET PILING**



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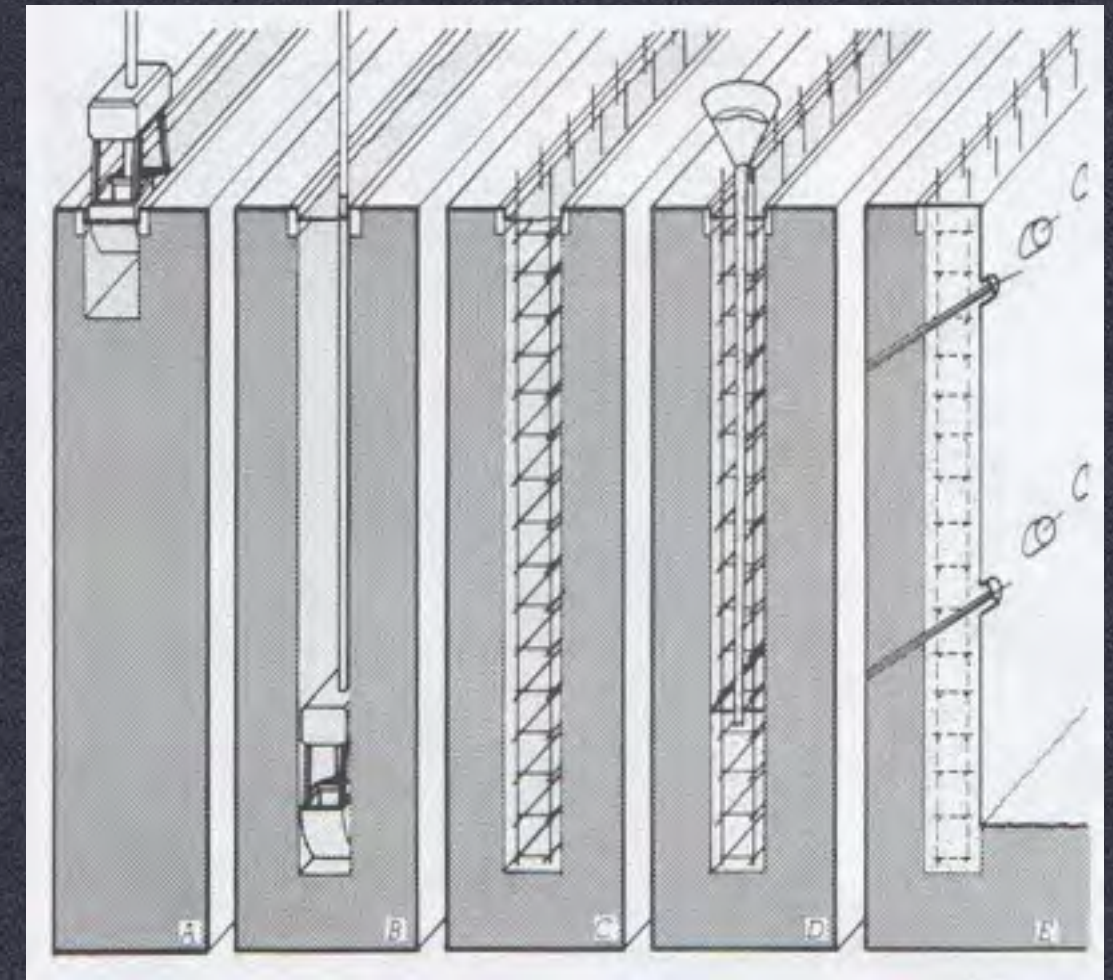
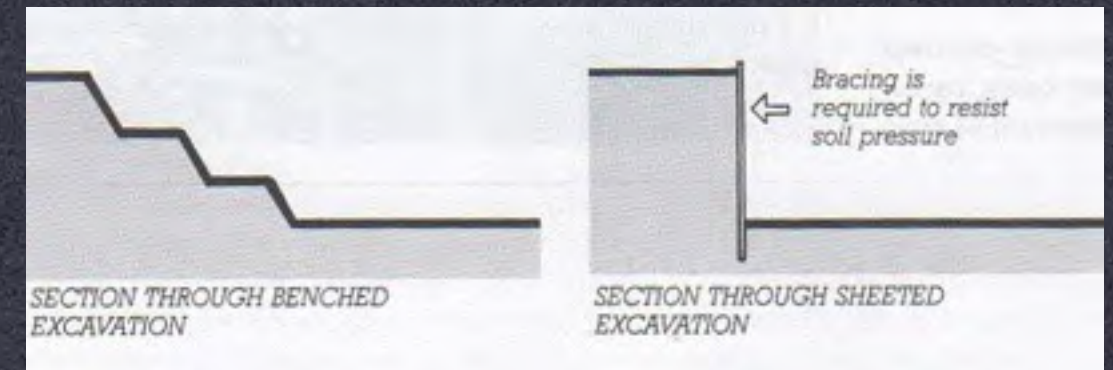
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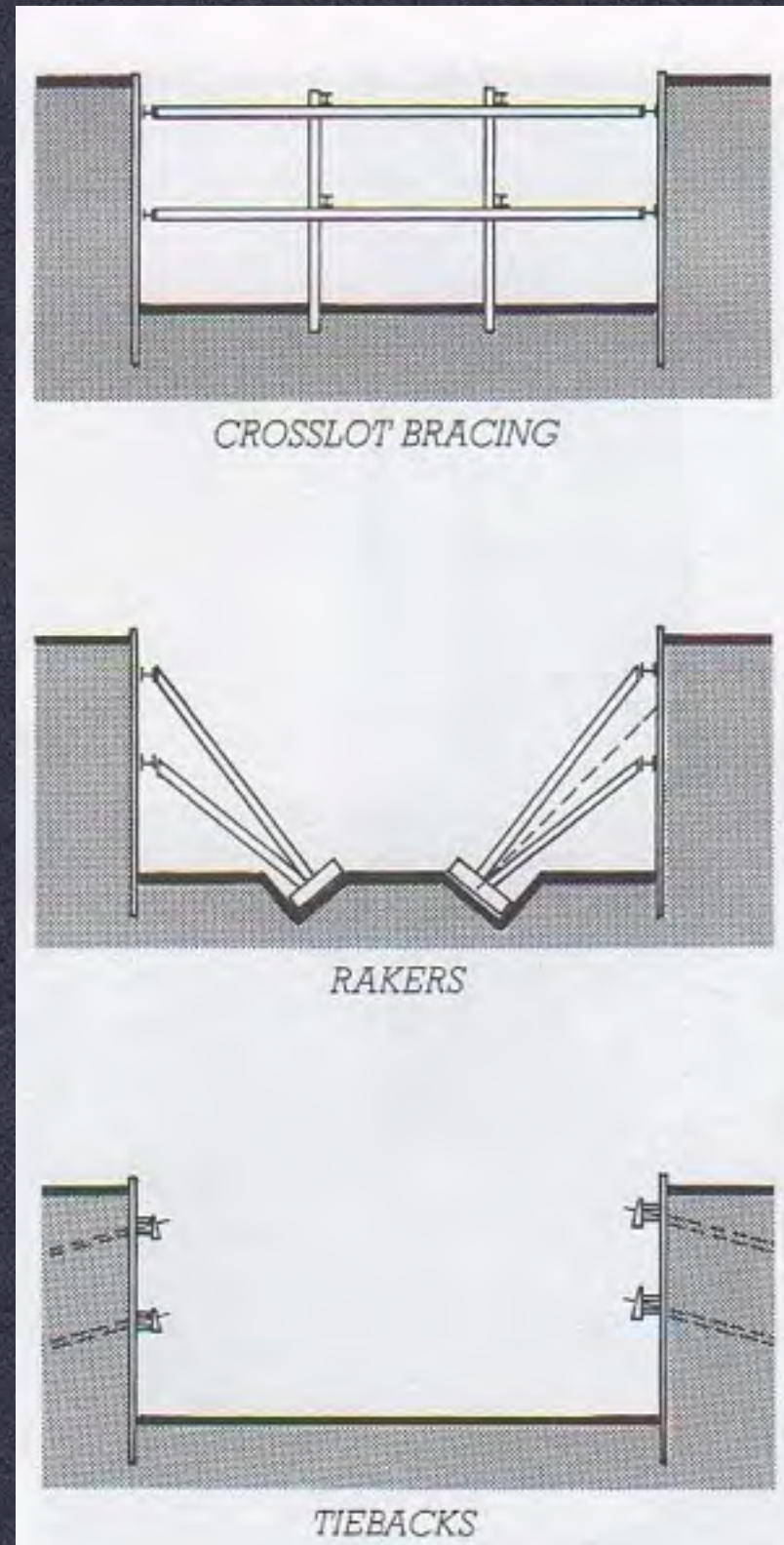
## SLOPE SUPPORT

### D. BRACING

#### i. CROSSLOT BRACING

#### ii. RAKERS

#### iii. TIEBACKS



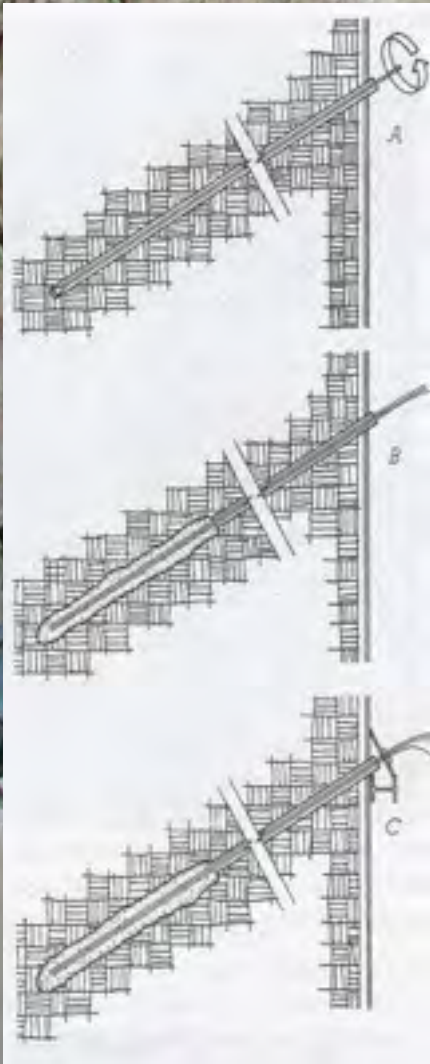
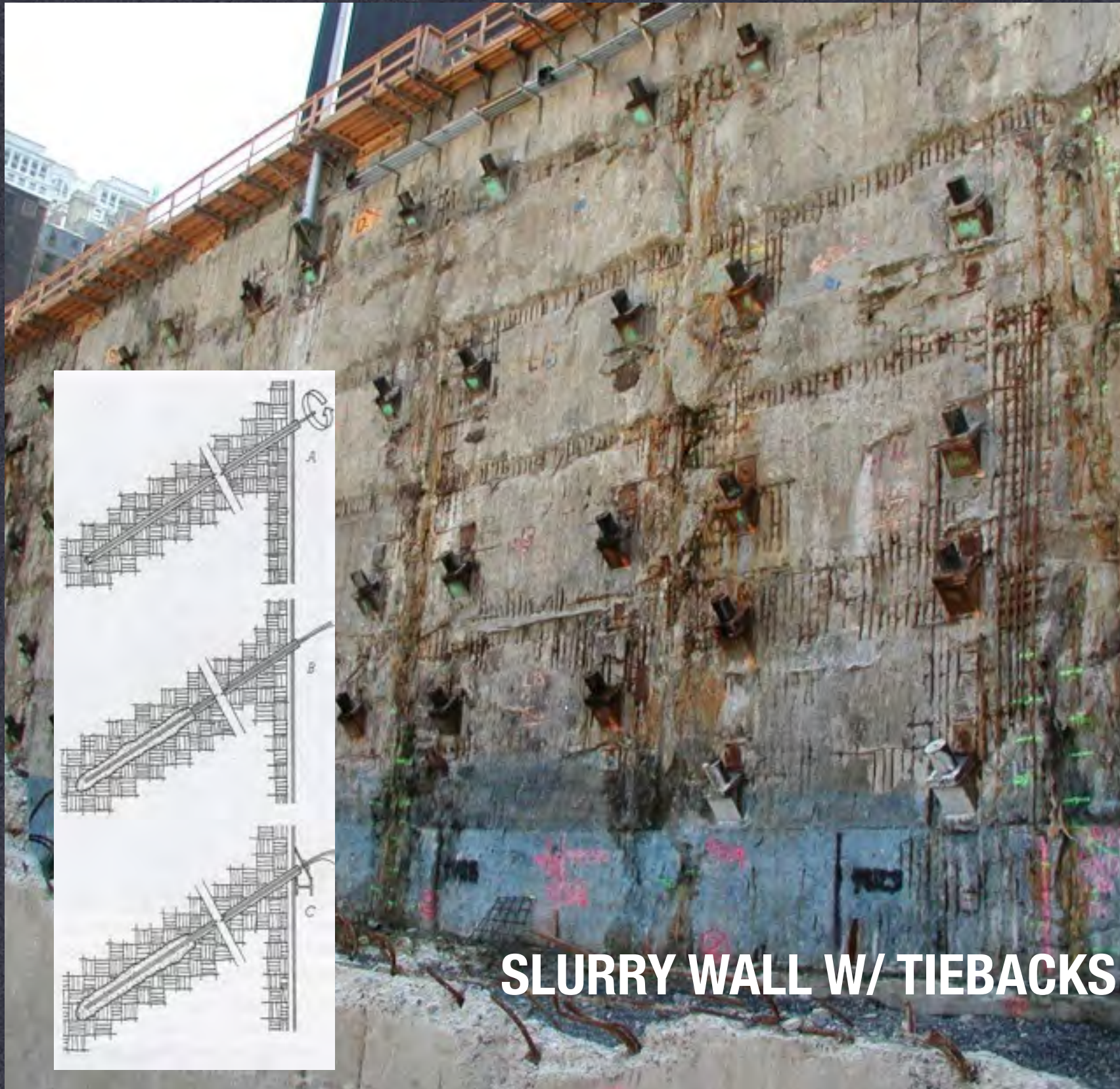


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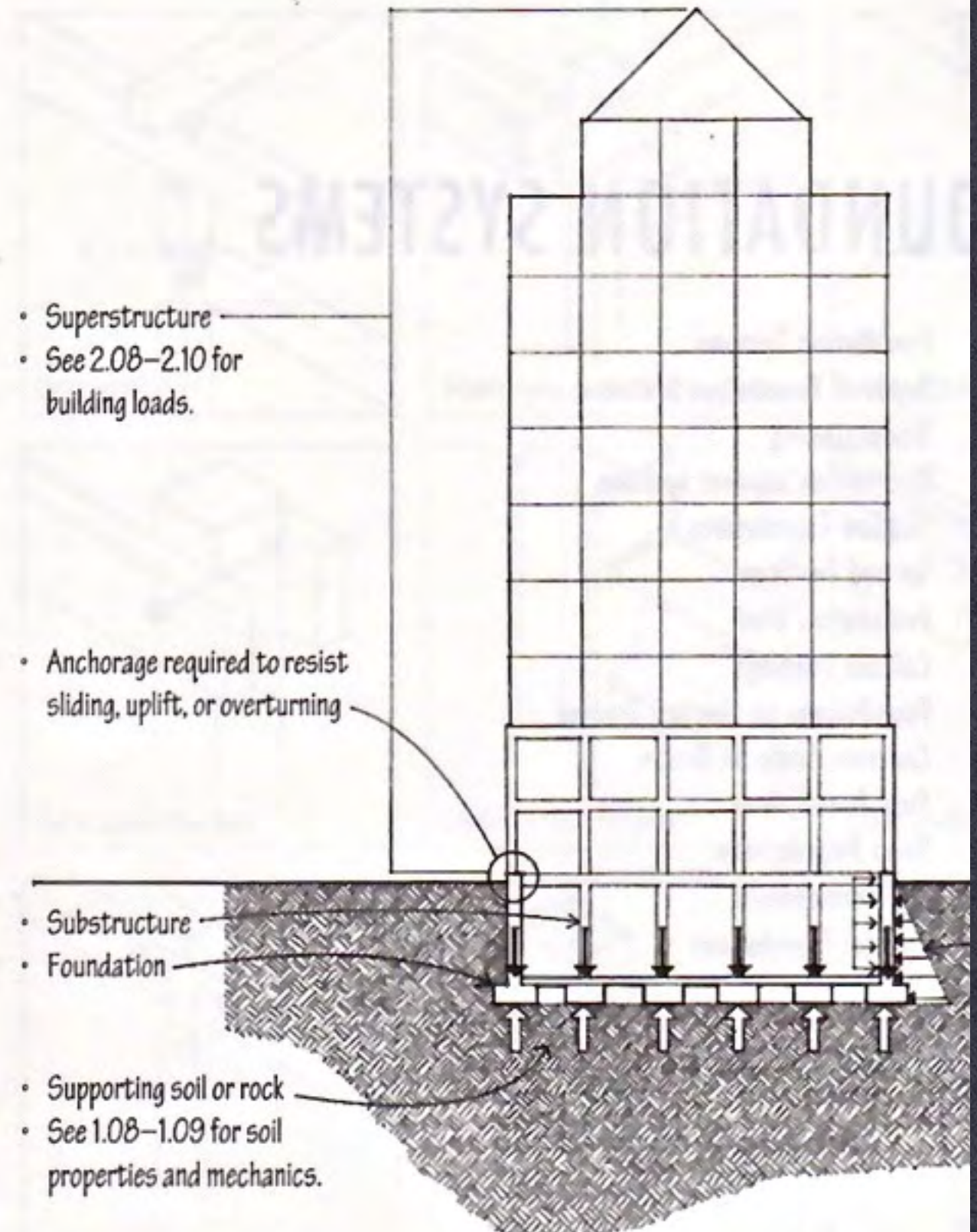


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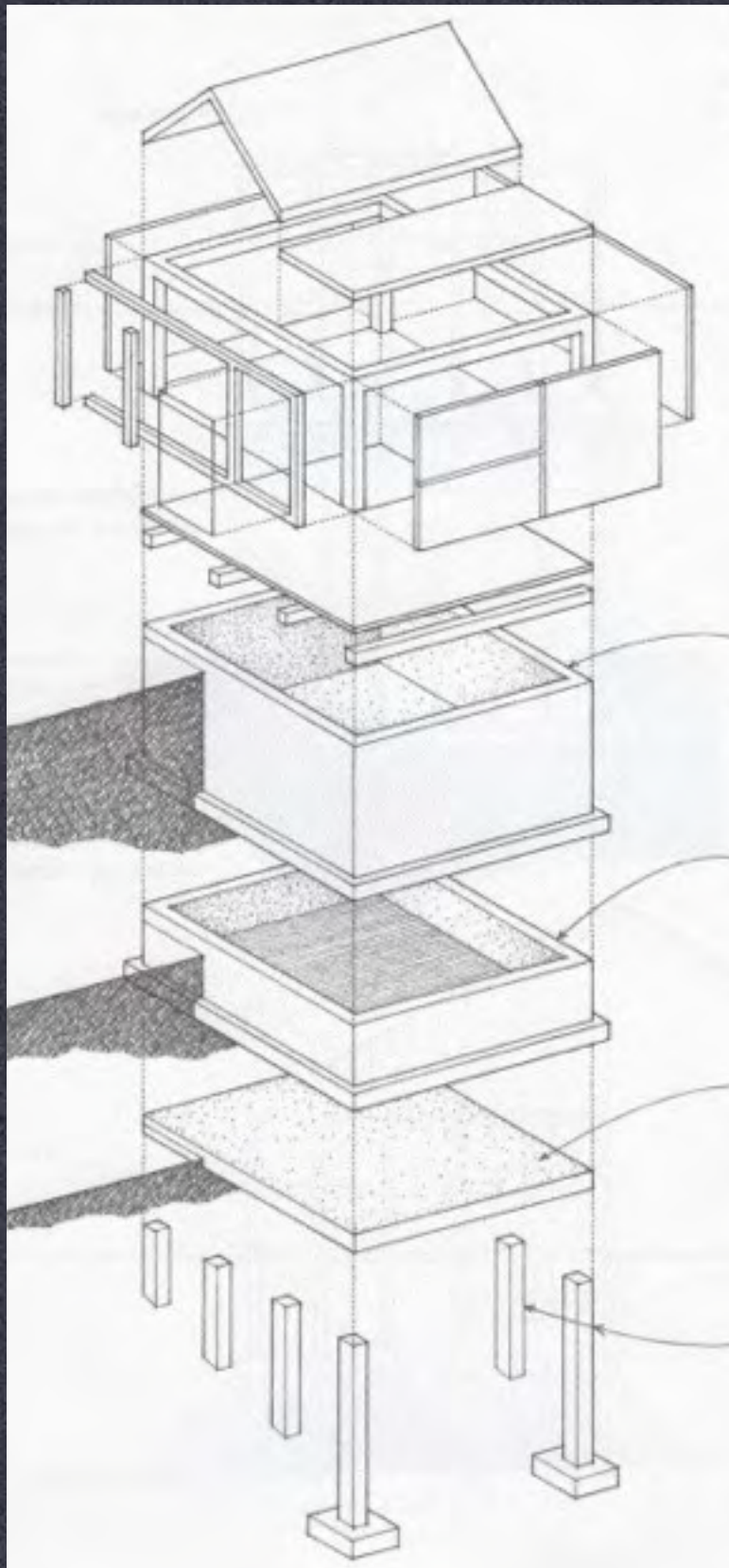


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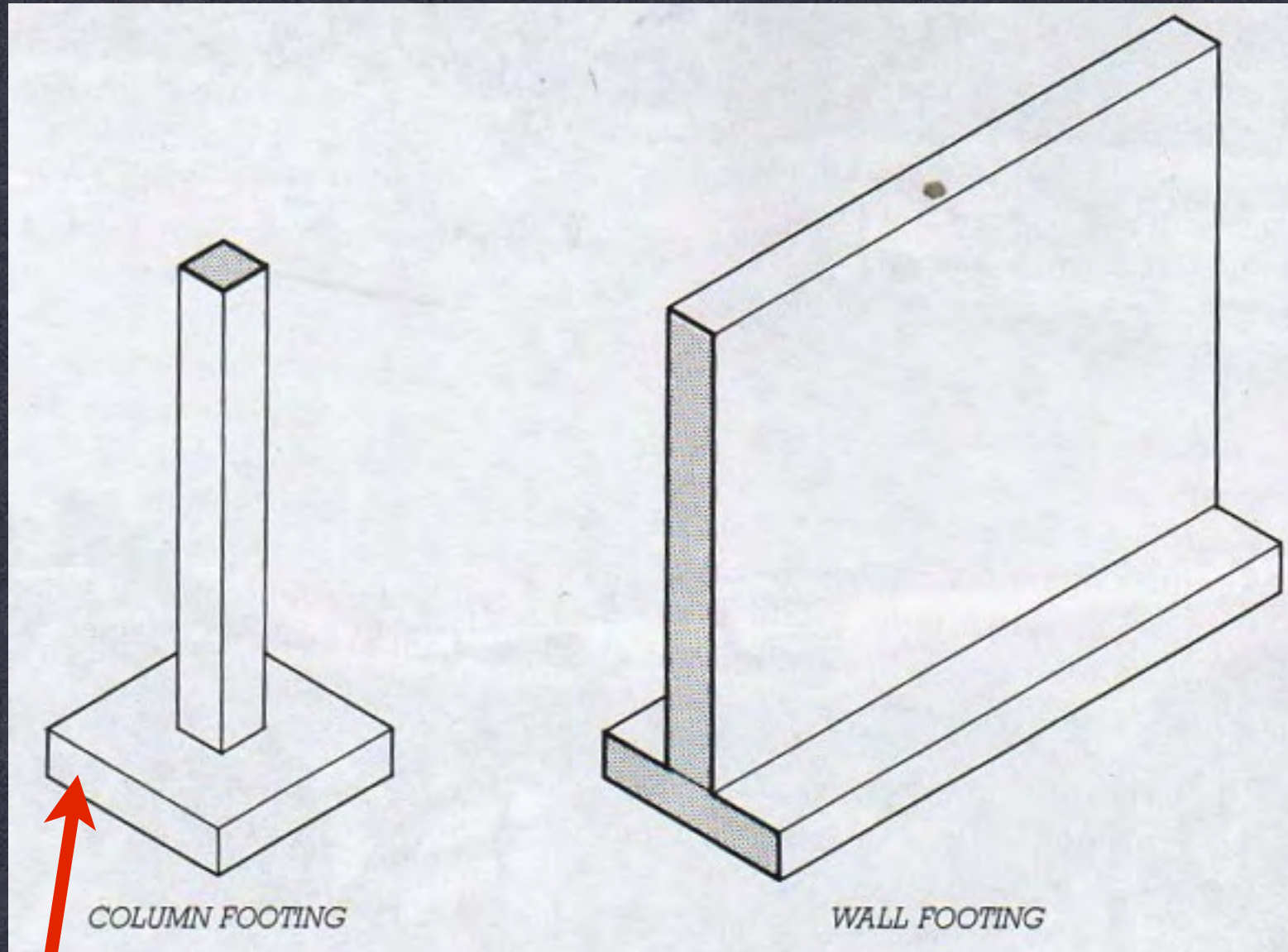


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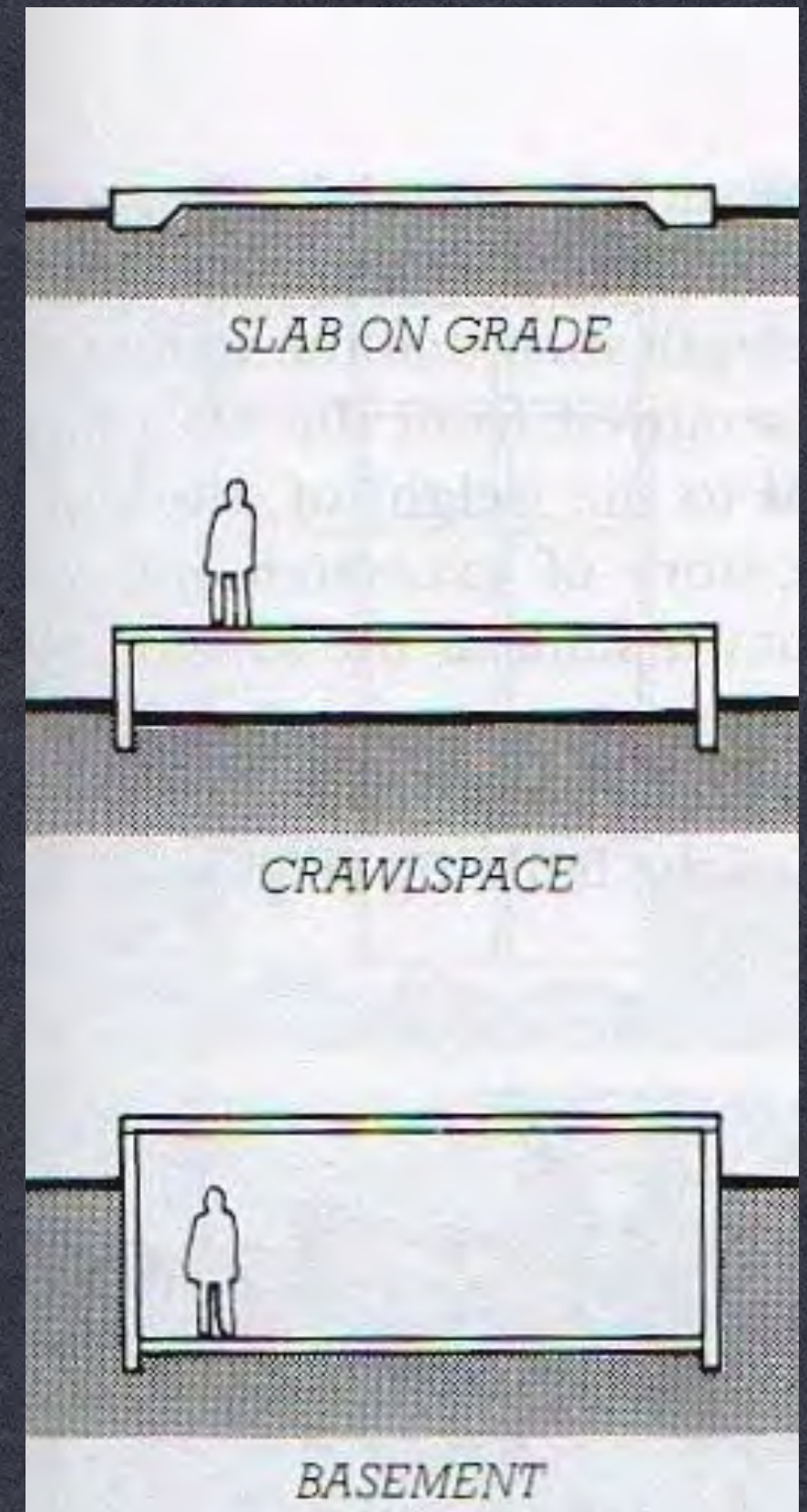
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**SPREAD FOOTING SITS UNDER VERTICAL  
FOUNDATION WALL OR COLUMN**



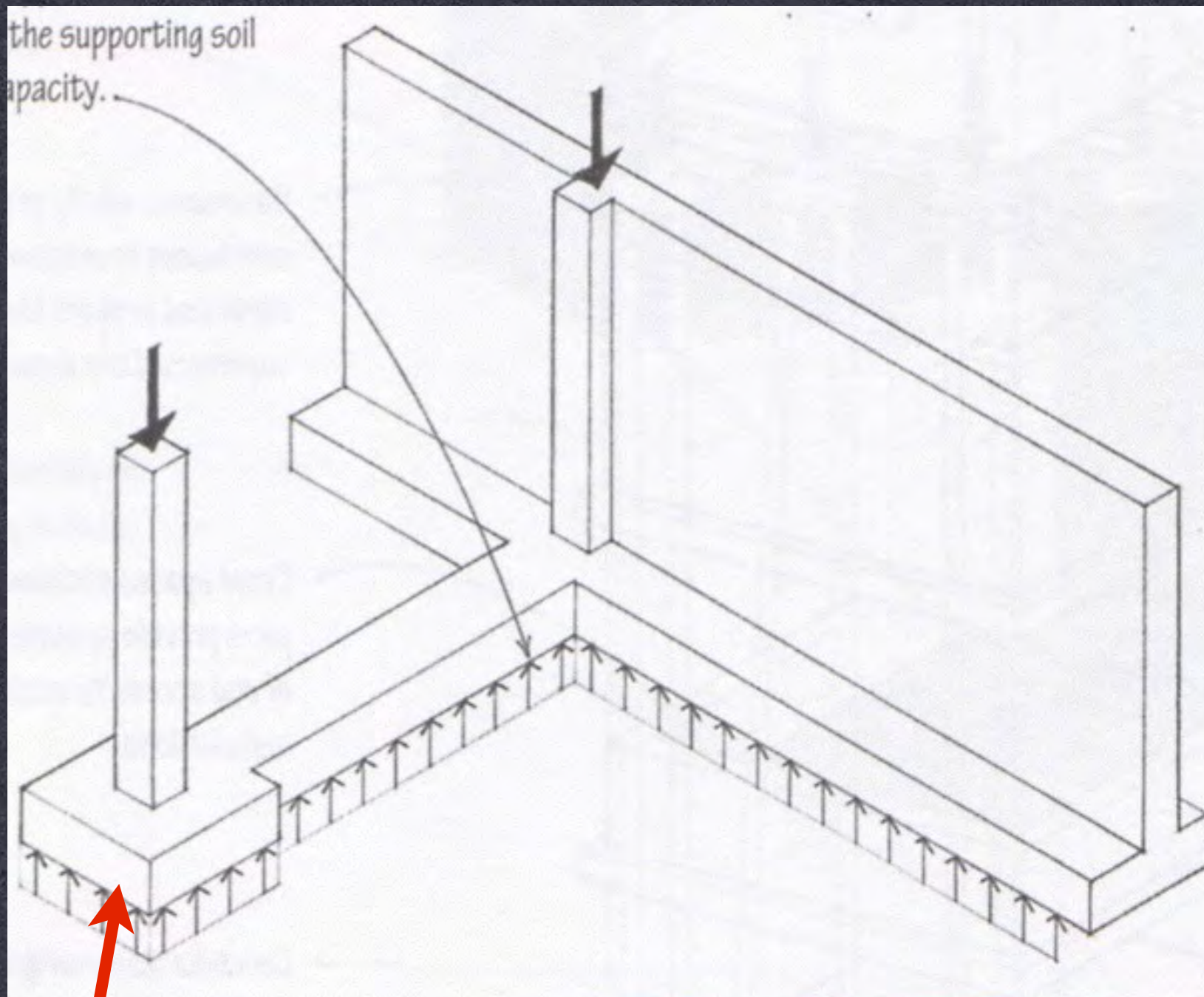


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**TAKE LOAD OF  
STRUCTURE ABOVE AND  
SPREAD IT ONTO THE  
EARTH MATERIAL BELOW.**

**THE WIDTH OF THE  
SPREAD FOOTING IS  
DETERMINED BY THE  
ALLOWABLE BEARING  
PRESSURE**

**THE DEPTH IS  
DETERMINED BY FROST  
LINE (MINIMAL DEPTH) IN  
COMBINATION WITH  
POTENTIAL FOR USEFUL  
BASEMENT SPACE**

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**REINFORCING DOWELS  
PROJECT FROM  
FOOTING**

**NOTCH IN FOOTING IS CALLED A “KEY”  
BOTH DOWELS AND KEY TIE  
FOUNDATION WALL TO FOOTING TO  
RESIST LATERAL LOADS**



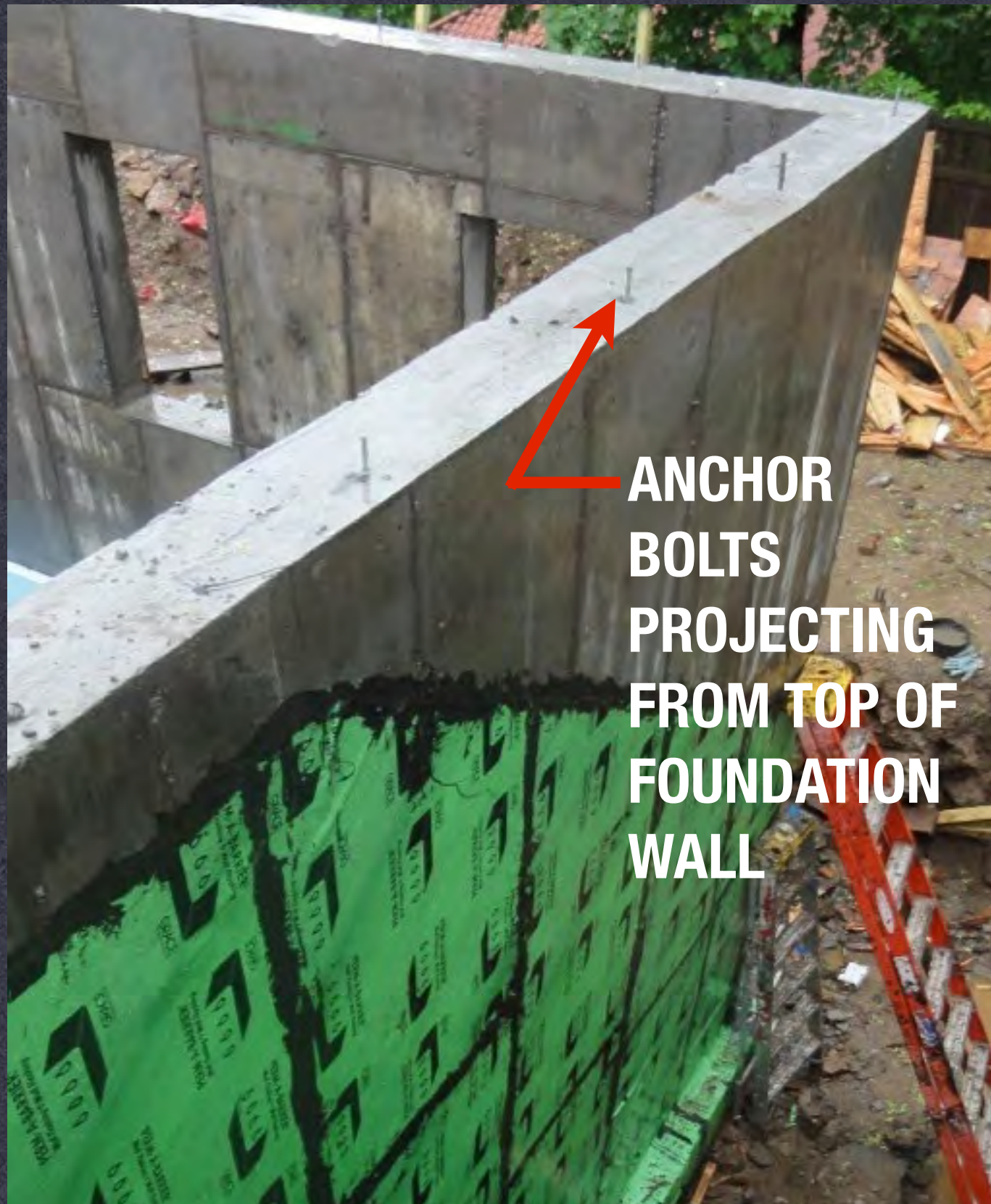


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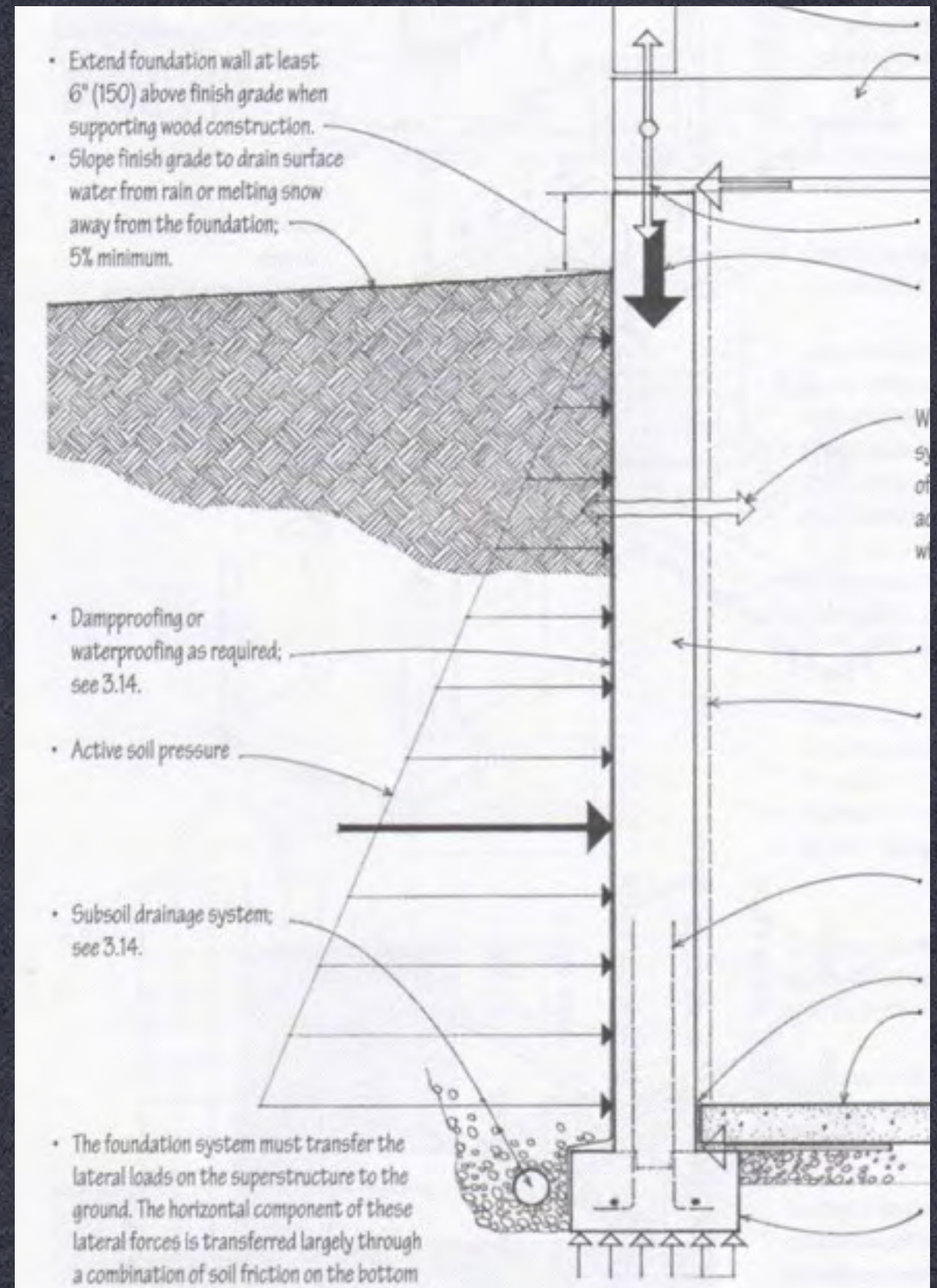
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## shallow foundations: footing + wall + slab

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**ANCHOR  
BOLTS  
PROJECTING  
FROM TOP OF  
FOUNDATION  
WALL**



- Extend foundation wall at least 6" (150) above finish grade when supporting wood construction.
- Slope finish grade to drain surface water from rain or melting snow away from the foundation; 5% minimum.
- Dampproofing or waterproofing as required; see 3.14.
- Active soil pressure
- Subsoil drainage system; see 3.14.
- The foundation system must transfer the lateral loads on the superstructure to the ground. The horizontal component of these lateral forces is transferred largely through a combination of soil friction on the bottom



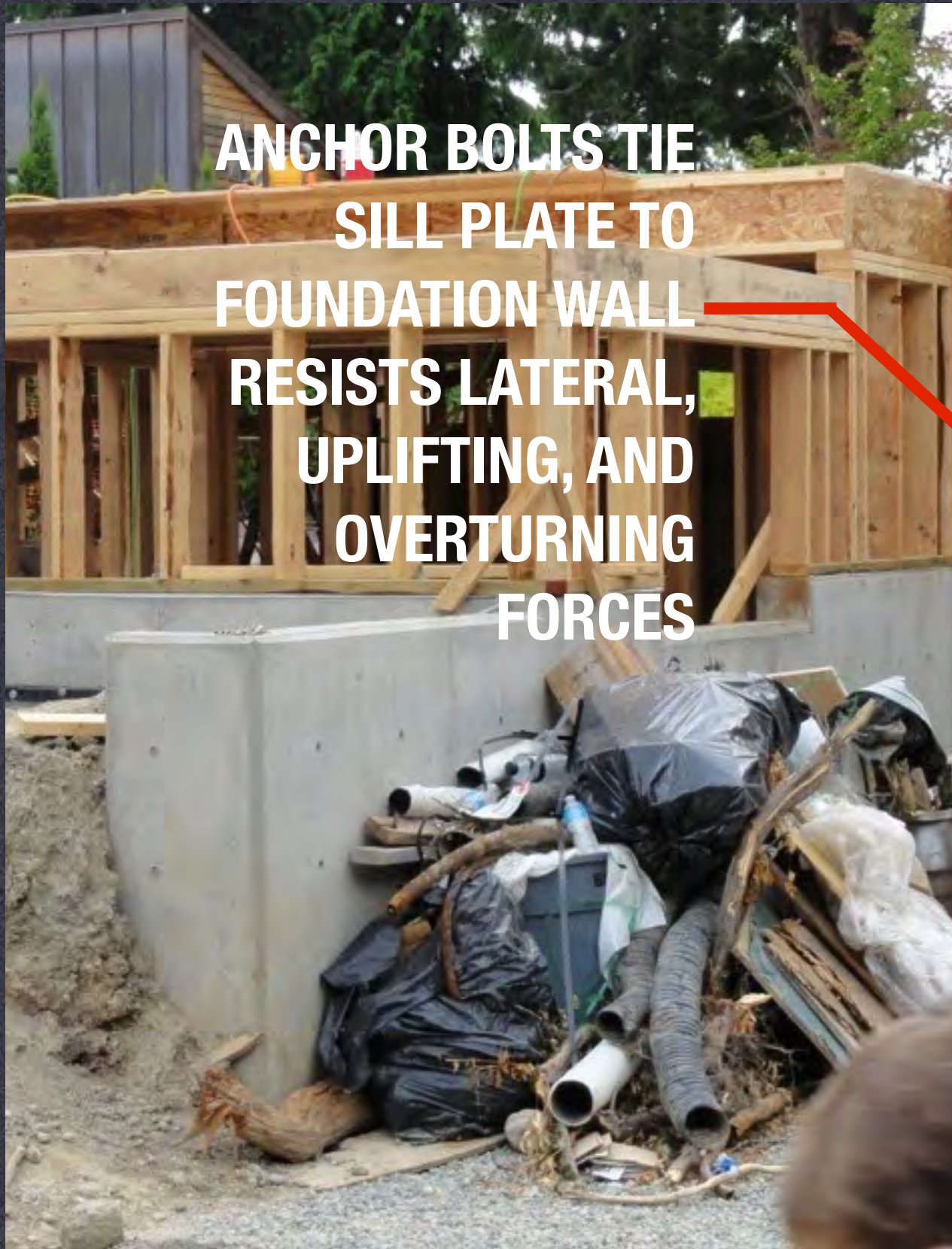
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# foundation wall: transition to wood frame

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**ANCHOR BOLTS TIE  
SILL PLATE TO  
FOUNDATION WALL  
RESISTS LATERAL,  
UPLIFTING, AND  
OVERTURNING  
FORCES**





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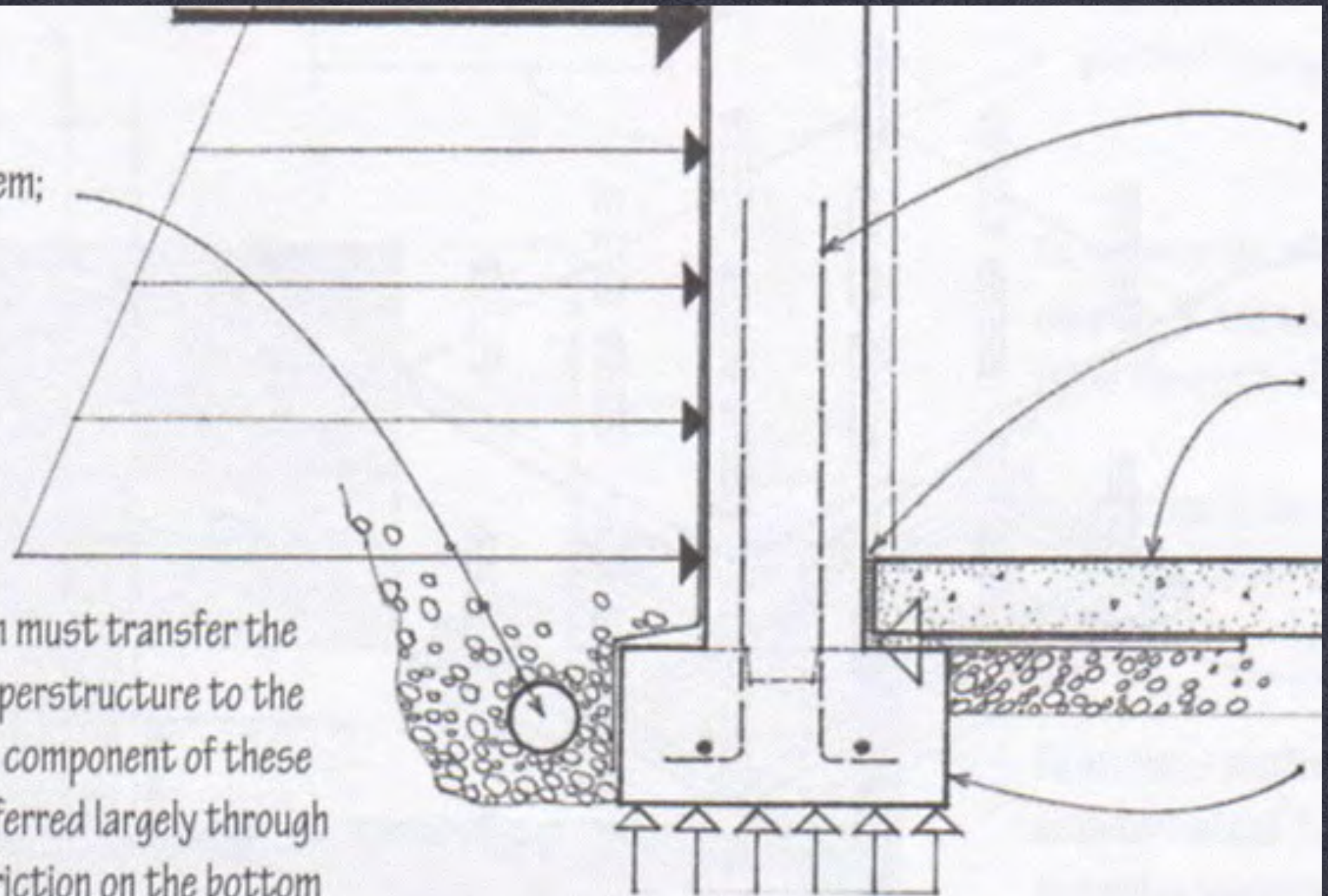
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- Subsoil drainage system; see 3.14.

- The foundation system must transfer the lateral loads on the superstructure to the ground. The horizontal component of these lateral forces is transferred largely through a combination of soil friction on the bottom of footings and the development of passive soil pressure on the sides of footings and foundation walls.





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### FOUNDATION WATERPROOFING

**MULTI-LAYER SYSTEMS  
PROVIDE INSULATION  
AND SAFE CHANNELING  
OF WATER TO FOOTING  
DRAINS**



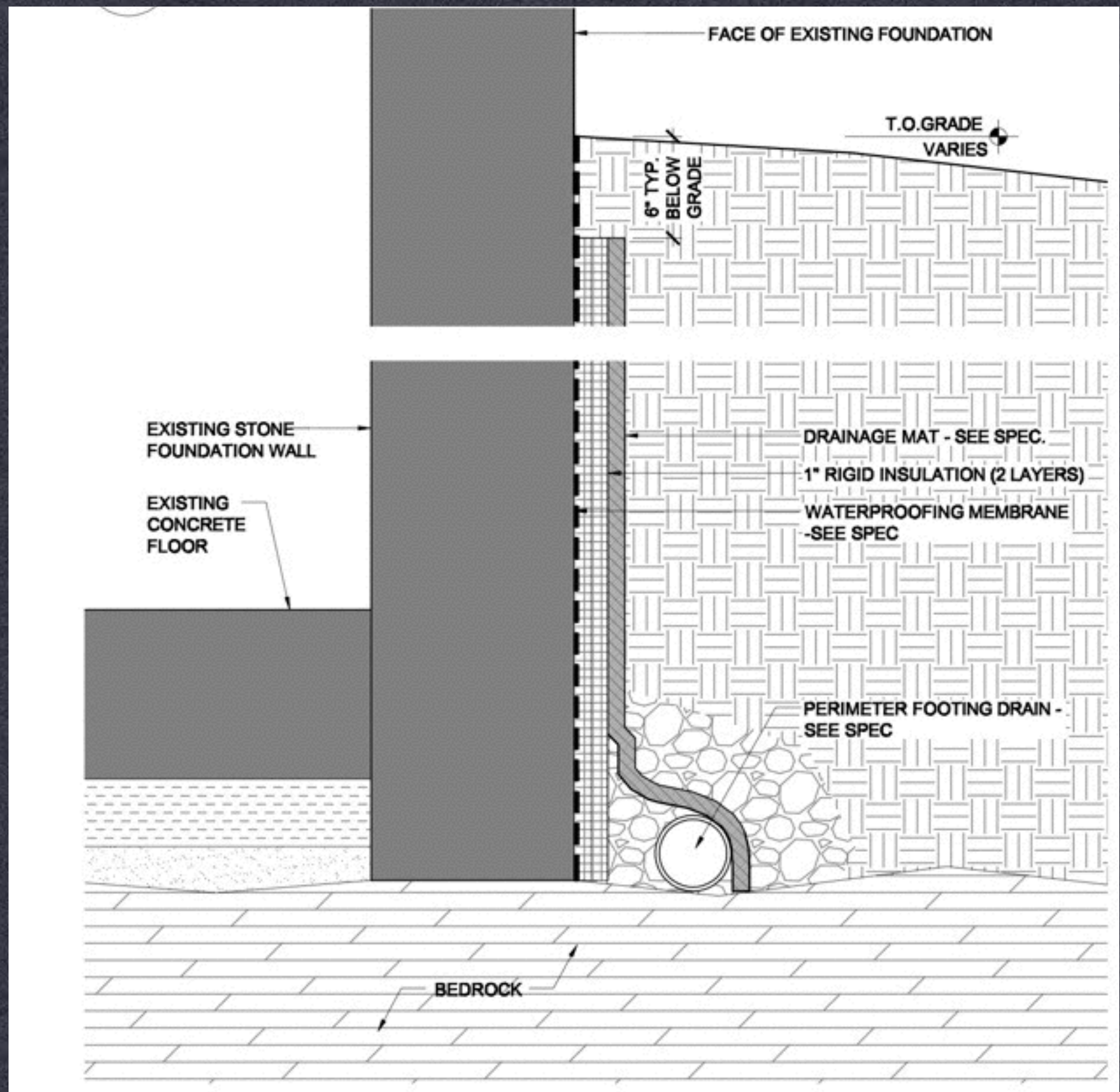


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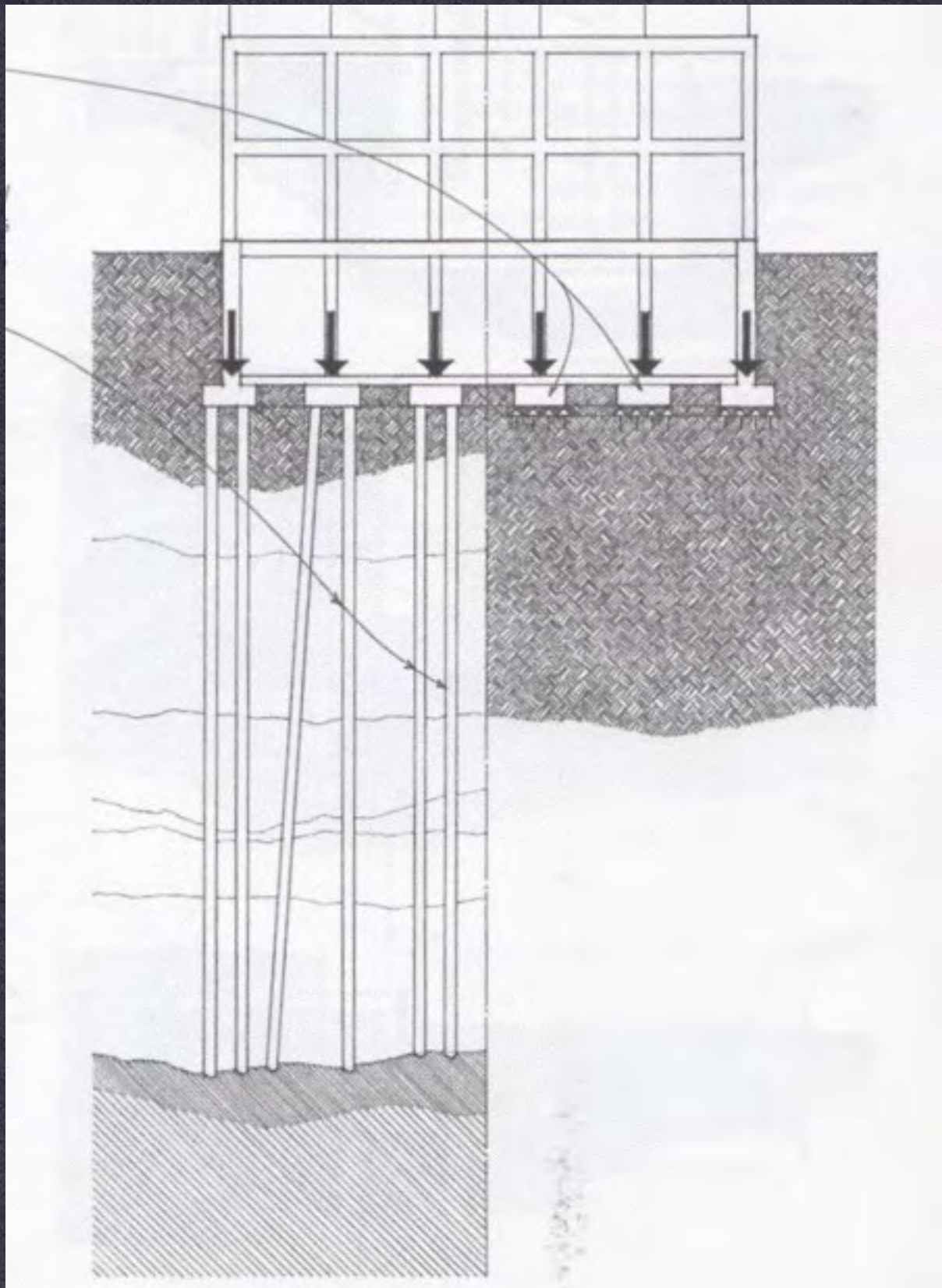


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### DESIGN THRESHOLDS TO CONSIDER:

1. WATER TABLE DEPTH
2. SITE BOUNDARIES AND NEIGHBORING STRUCTURES
3. INCREASED BUILDING LOADS ON FOUNDATIONS (DUE TO HEIGHT)
4. LOCATION AND QUALITY OF BEARING MATERIALS UNDER THE SITE



# wrap up

**FOUNDATIONS ARE THE FIRST CRITICAL ELEMENT OF THE STRUCTURE OF ALL BUILDINGS. ALL BUILDINGS MUST TRANSFER THEIR LOAD SAFELY TO THE EARTH AND RESIST FORCES OVER THE LIFETIME OF THE STRUCTURE.**



- \* all foundation design starts with investigation of the earth under the building site
- \* the geotechnical engineer write a report on the site conditions and makes recommendations to the architect and structural engineer
- \* the configuration of foundations reflects the conditions of the earth under the site as well as the structure rising into the sky.