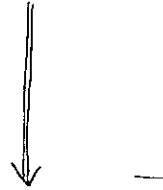


# ⇒ Building Construction Illustrated (Notes)

- Microclimate, topography, and natural habitat → design decisions

\* SUSTAINABILITY — Sustainable development  
↳ Principles, Phase, Resources.

\* Green Building — provide healthy environments in a resource-efficient manner using ecologically based principles.

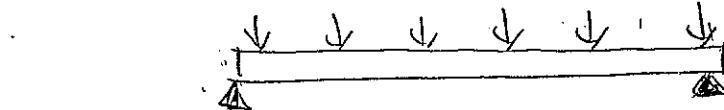
\* Building Systems — Structural System (Foundation, Wall,...)  
— Enclosure system (shell / envelope)  
— Mechanical System (essential services)  
  
• Performance Requirements • Economic Considerations  
• Aesthetic Qualities • Environmental Impact  
• Regulatory Constraints • Construction Practices

\* Loads on Buildings — Static loads  
— Dynamic loads  
— Wind loads  
— Earthquake loads.

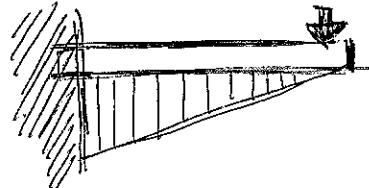
\* Structural Forces — Any influence that produces a change in the shape/movement of a body.  


## \* Beams

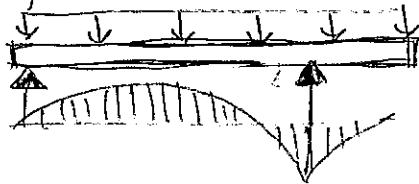
- A simple beam — supports on both ends.



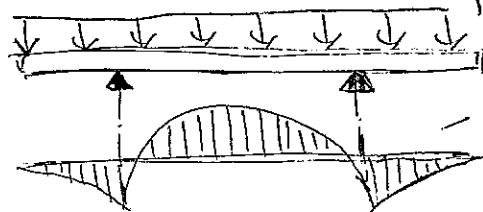
- A cantilever — only one fixed end



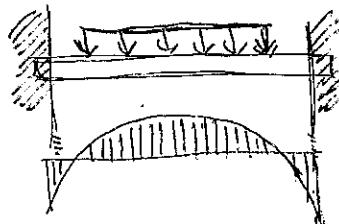
- Over hanging beam — extending beyond one of its support



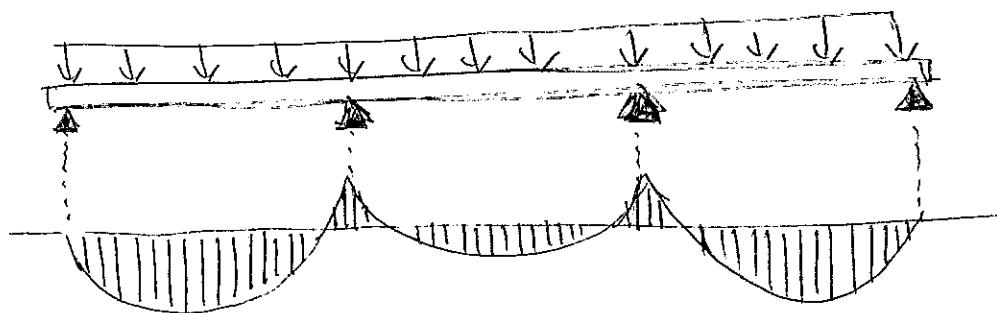
- Double hanging beam — extending beyond both of its supports



- Fixed end beam — both ends restrained against translation & rotation.



- Continuous beam — over more than 2 supports.



## \* Building Materials

### ↳ Life - cycle assessment

↳ Process consists three components =

- Inputs (Raw materials, Energy, Water)
- Life - cycle inventory
- Outputs. (Waterborne effluents, Atmosphere emissions, Solid wastes)

(After environmental releases)

\* Concrete - mixing cement and various mineral aggregates with sufficient water.

↳ Strong in compression.

\* Steel = refers to any of various iron-based alloys.

↳ used for light and heavy structural framing.  
(windows, doors, hardware, fastenings)

↳ Combines high strength and stiffness with ductility.

\* Nonferrous metals = contain no iron.

Aluminum, copper, lead are nonferrous metals commonly used.