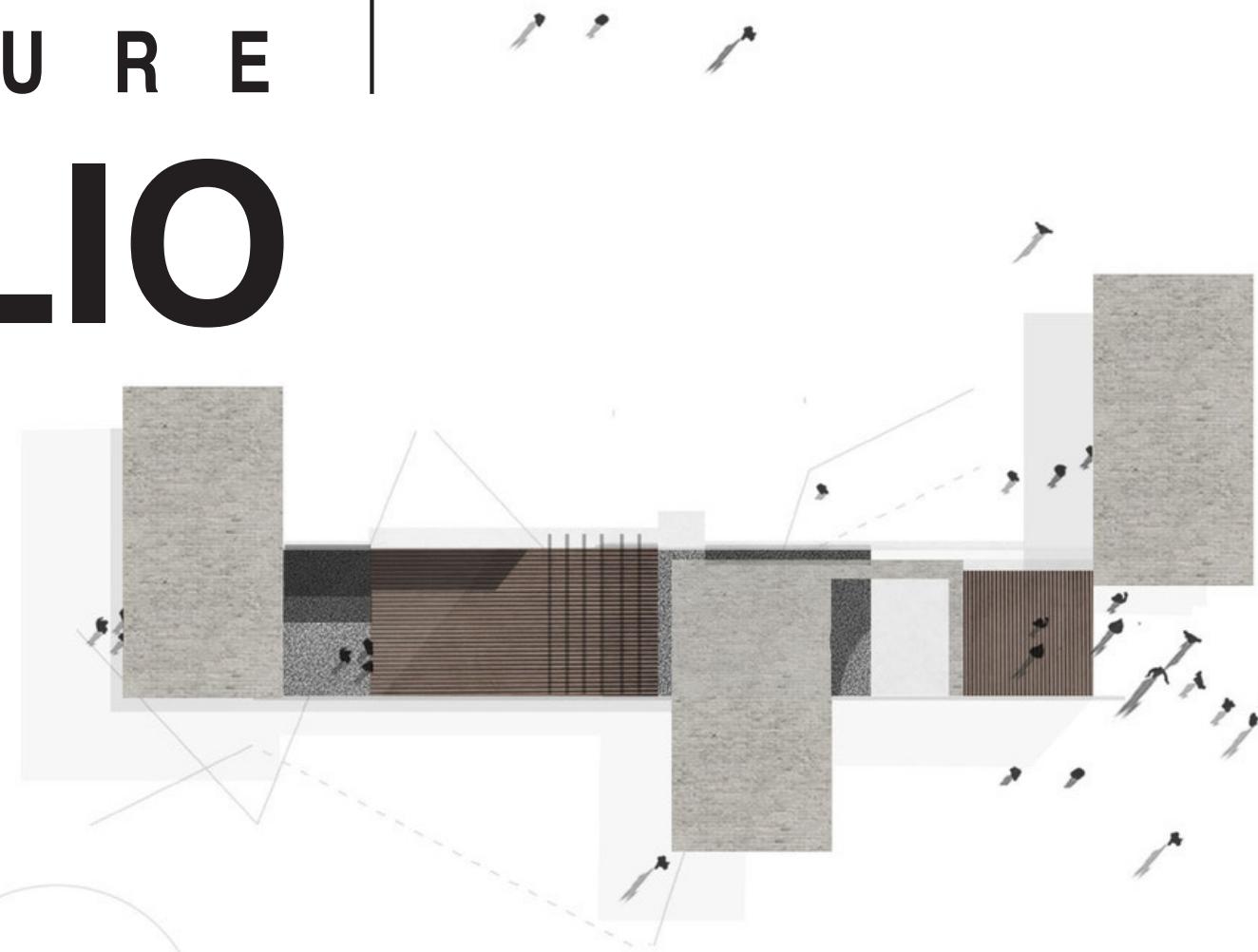


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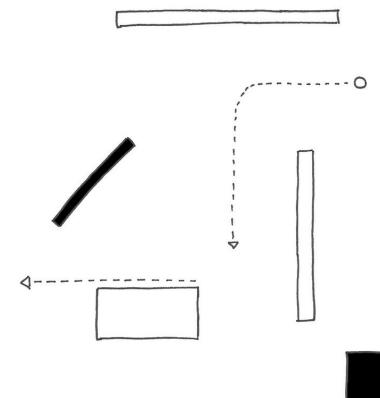
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# PROLOGUE

For me, architectural design is a combination of logic, creativity, and passion. I believe architecture has the power to solve social problems. Architecture is never merely a functional mechanism or an emotionless form but a humanistic shelter for people to live safer, healthier, and happier.

This portfolio illustrates designs in a wide range of scales, from a bridge to a city, and design techniques are deployed between practical and futuristic. And all of them are seeking the architectural path to propose solutions to given issues, including urban flooding, spatial separation, traffic problems, and potential challenges of future urban life.



# PROJECTS

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01

## Welcome Center of Columbia University

Visioning Climate Resilience and Sustainability in a High-density Urban Site

Studio Work

Instructor: Peter Waldman

Individual Work

Fall 2021

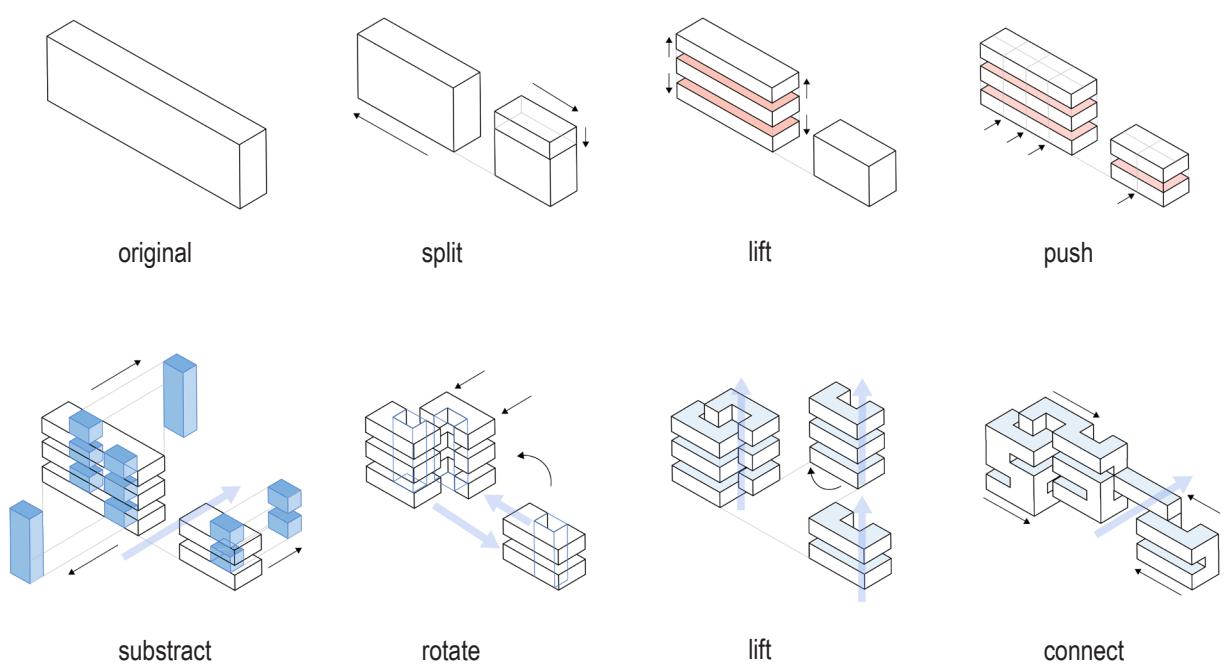
This project aims to explore how to incorporate **sustainable development** into a building located in one of the busiest regions in the world.

Due to climate changes, the Hudson River will overflow its banks and flood in Manhattan within the next twenty to thirty years. Therefore, the Welcome Center is designed with a higher base level to reduce flooding vulnerability.

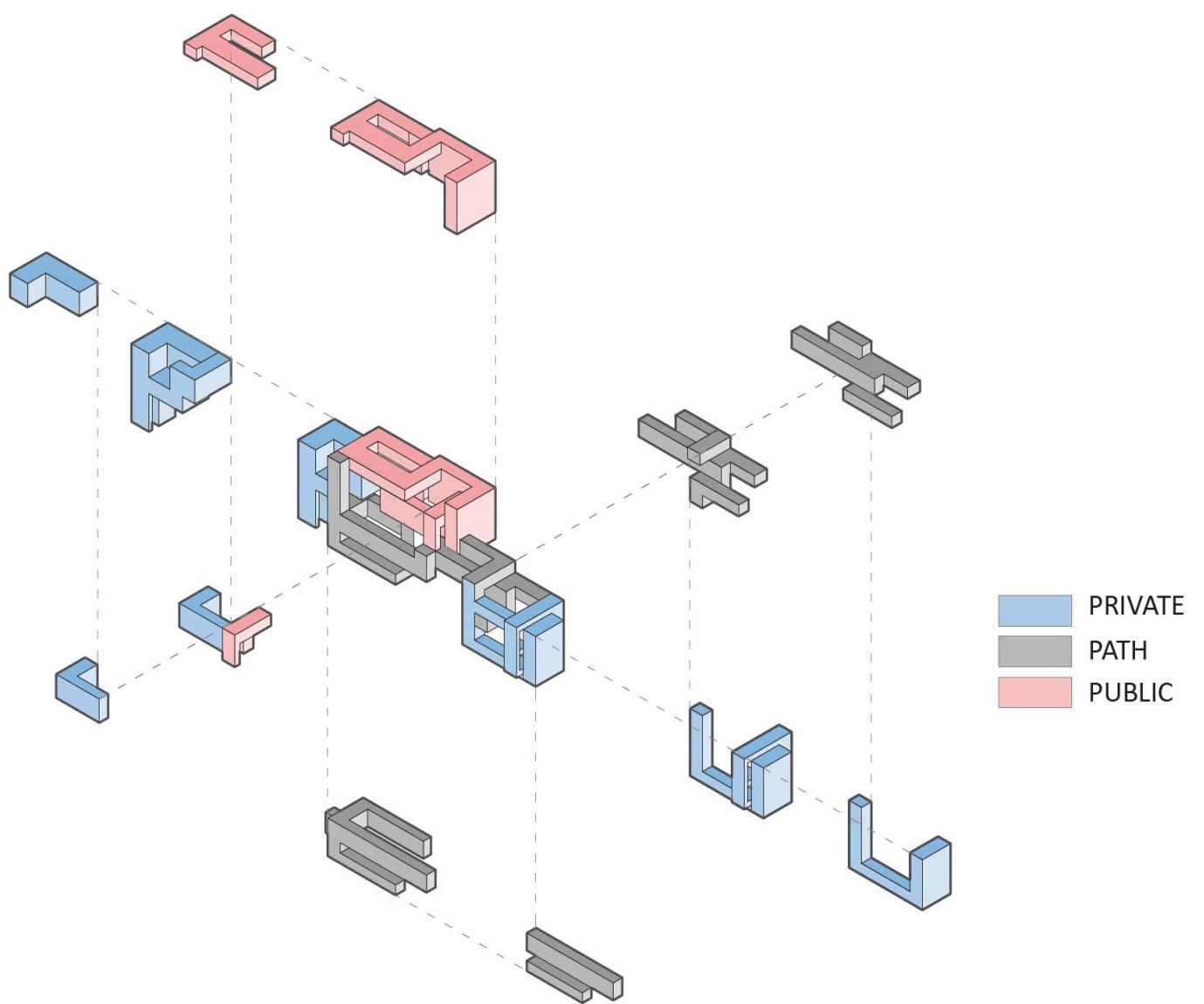
In order to improve **space efficiency and lower energy waste**, meeting rooms, study rooms, libraries, auditoriums and exhibition galleries are incorporated into this building to fulfill different visitors' needs.

This design first splits the module into two pieces, and then alters the shape by using **interlocking in both two and three dimensions**, which enables the building to expand from the Columbia University site to W 125th Street and connect with the park in the south end. The elongation of the building implies architecture's potential to grow and ultimately solve environmental problems by reducing unnecessary waste of space.

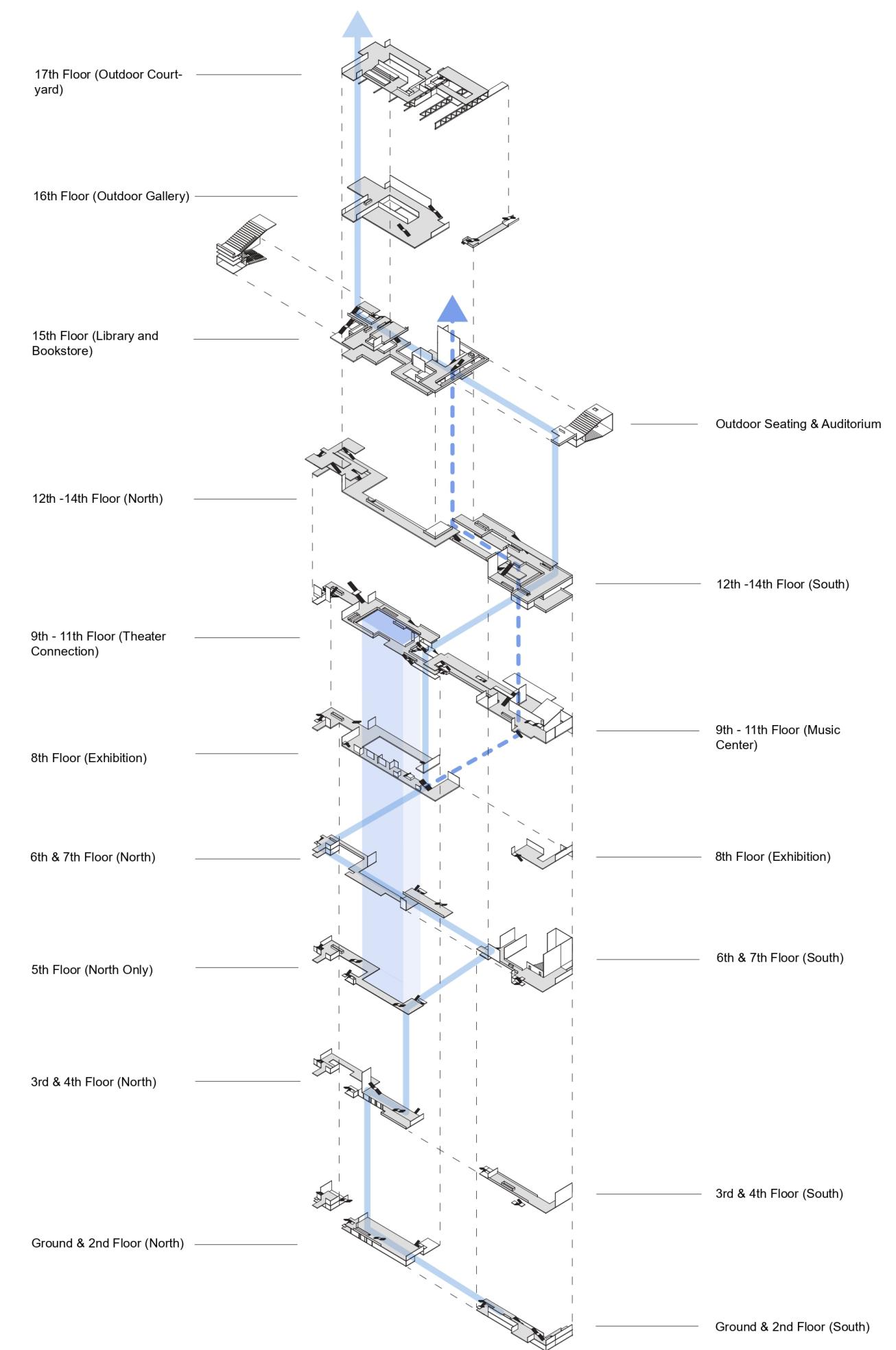




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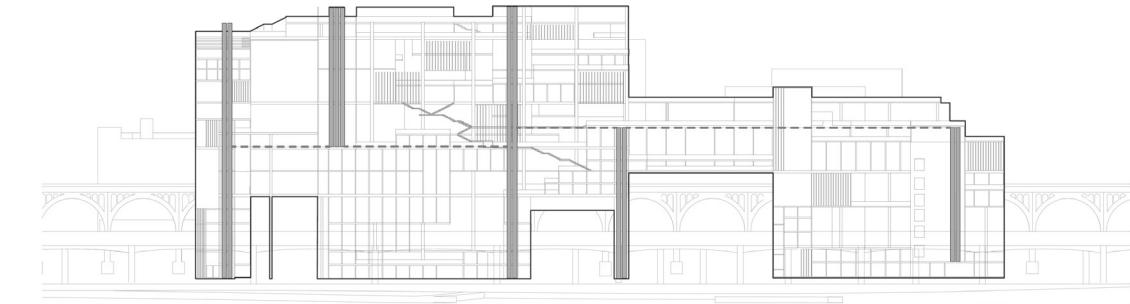
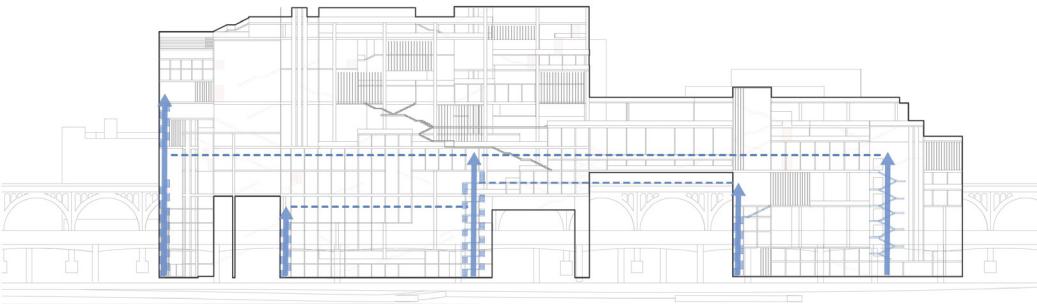
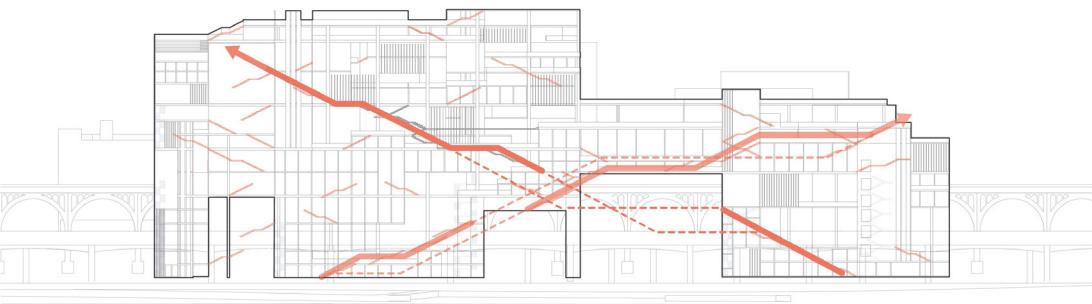
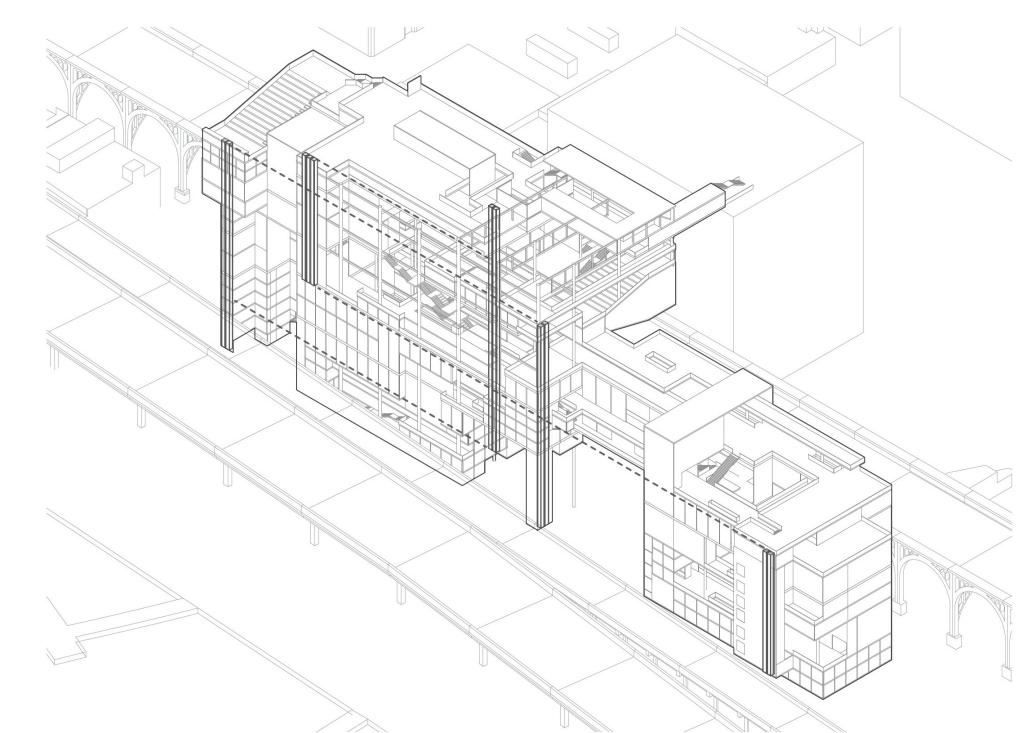
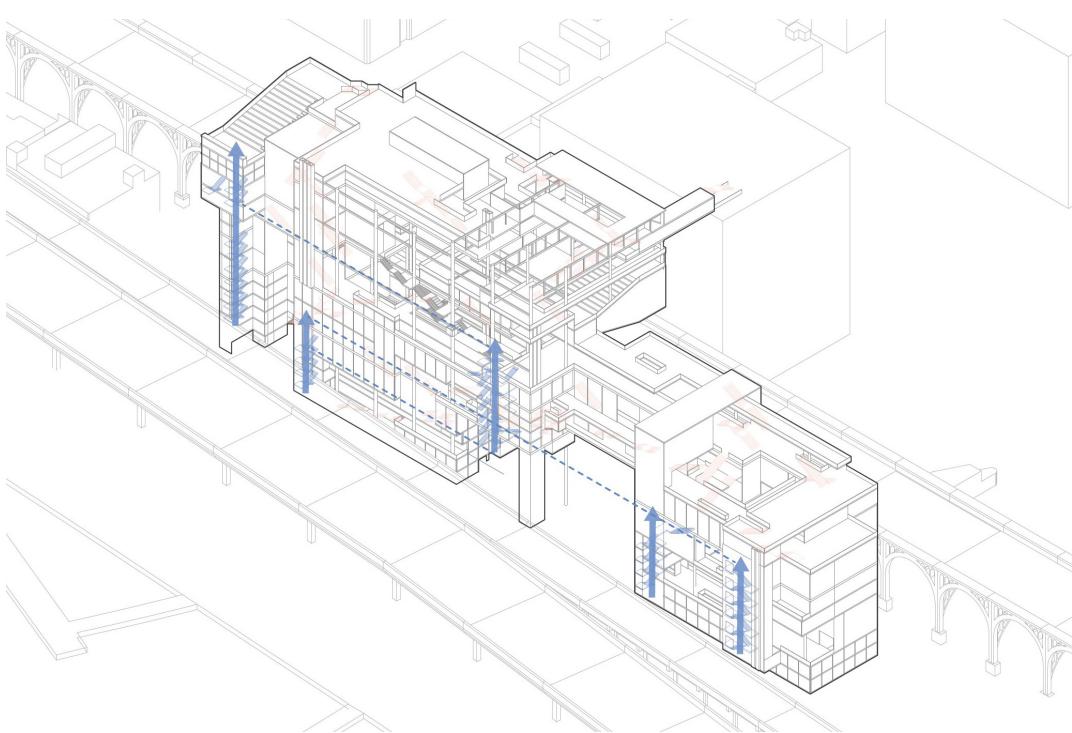
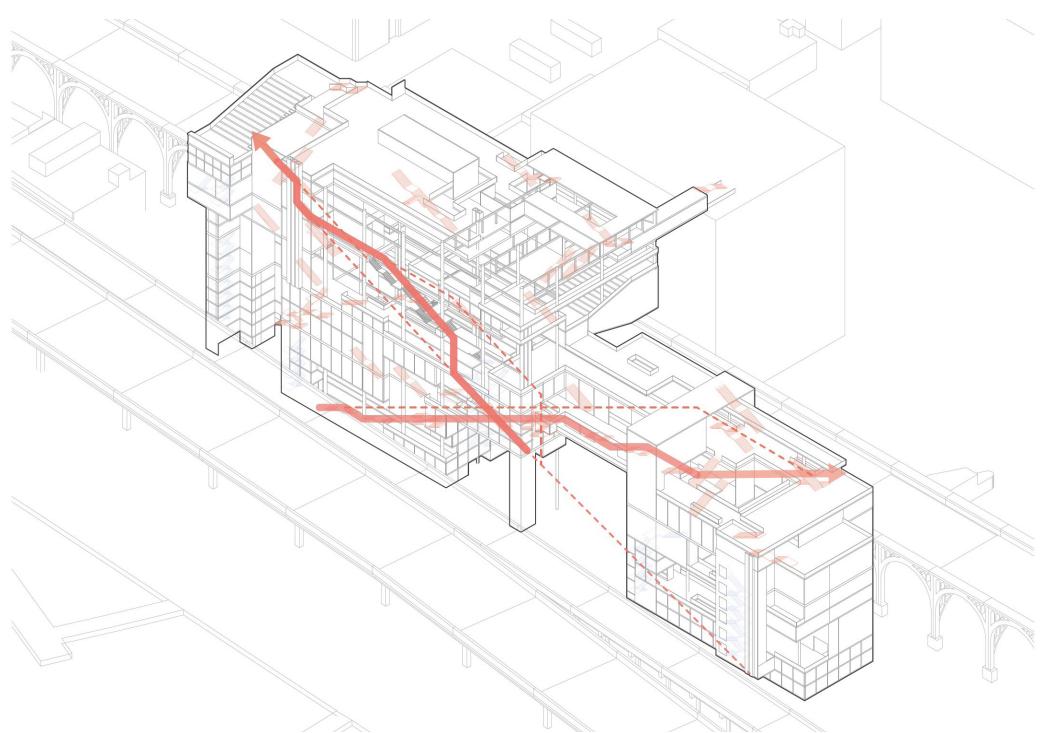


Function Analysis Diagram



Exploded Axonometric Drawing

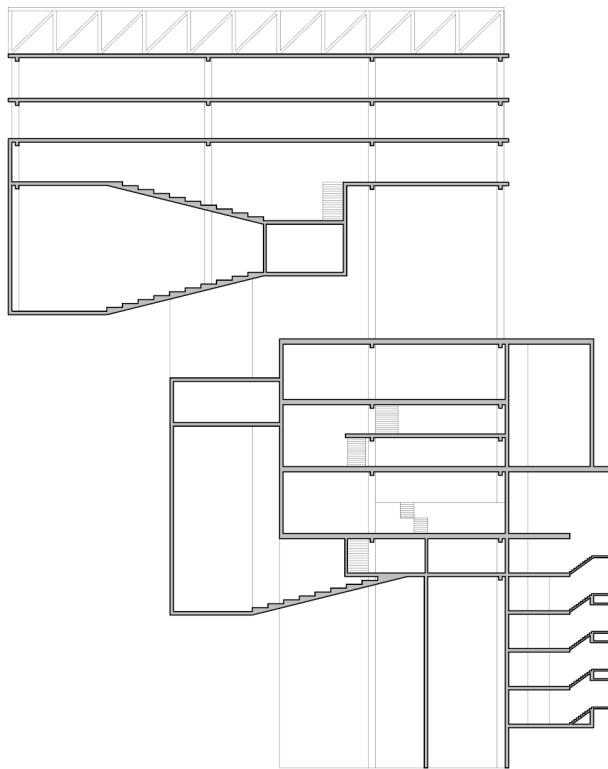
## Circulation Analysis Diagrams



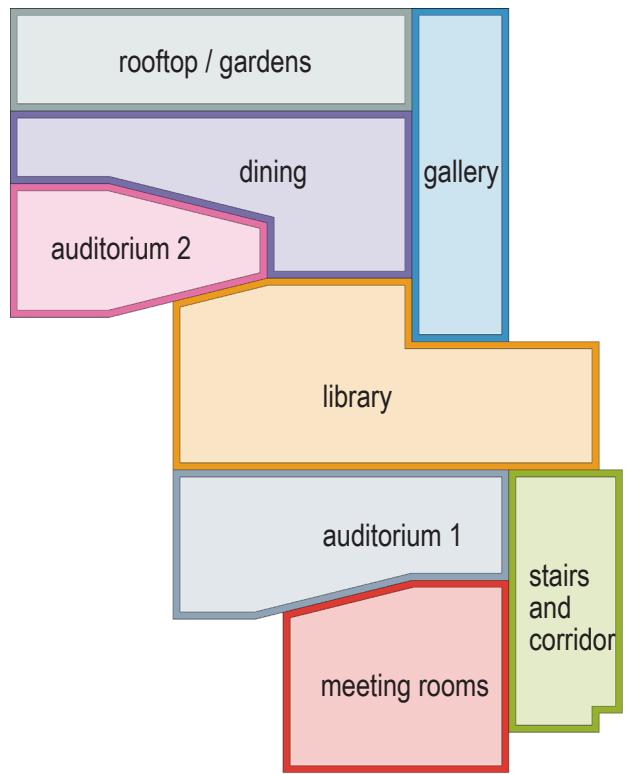
Primary Circulation with Straight Stairs

Secondary Circulation with U-Shaped Firestairs

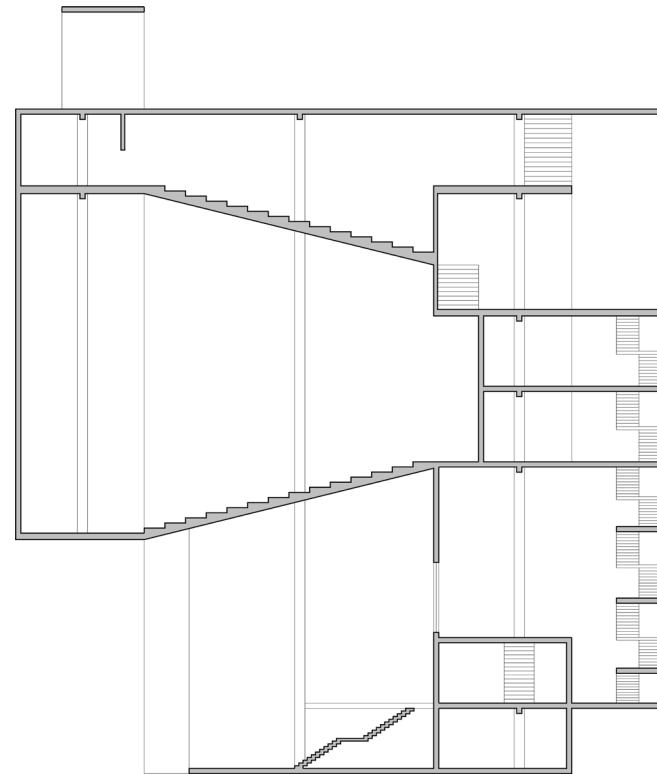
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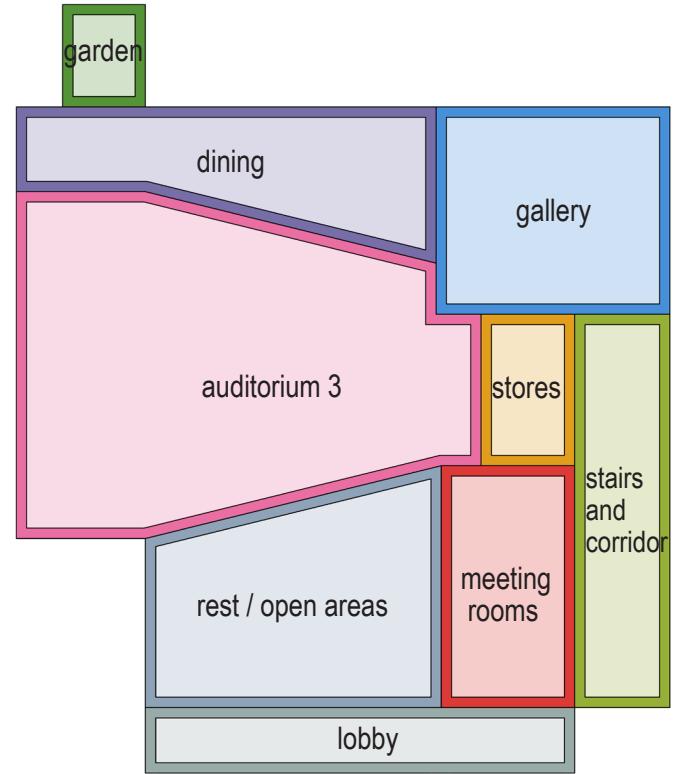
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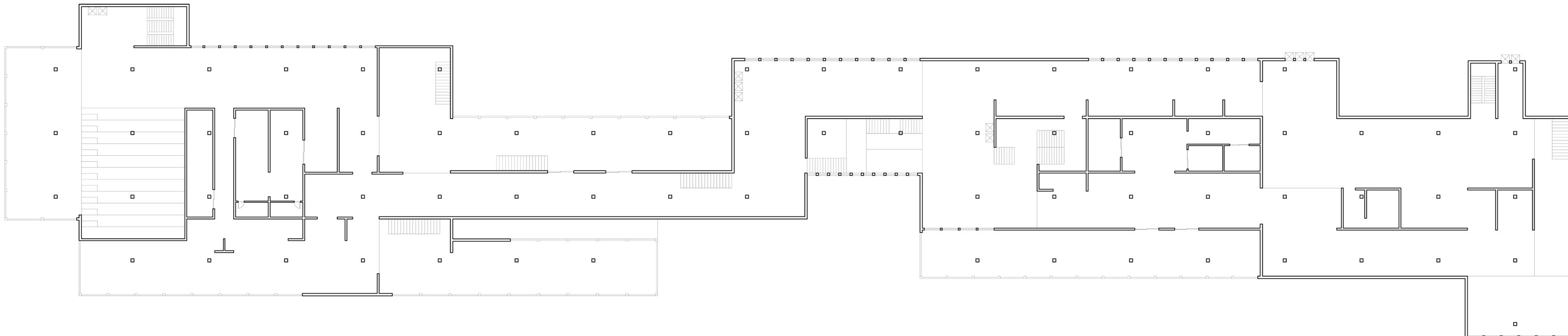
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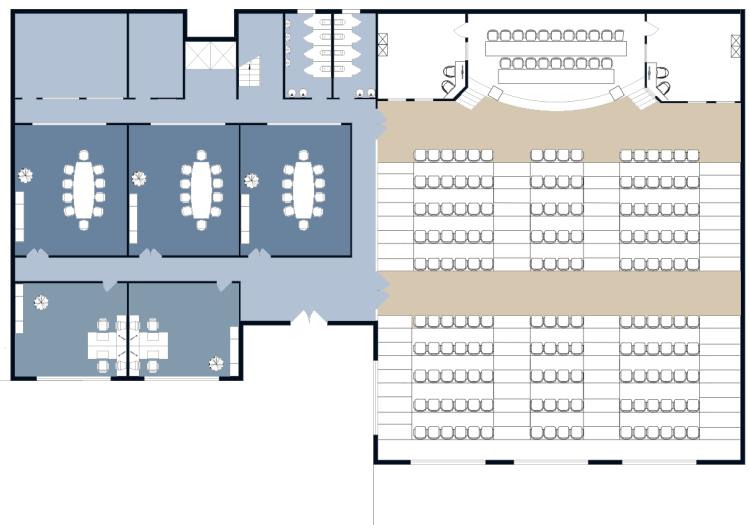


function diagram 2



Master Plan Level 12

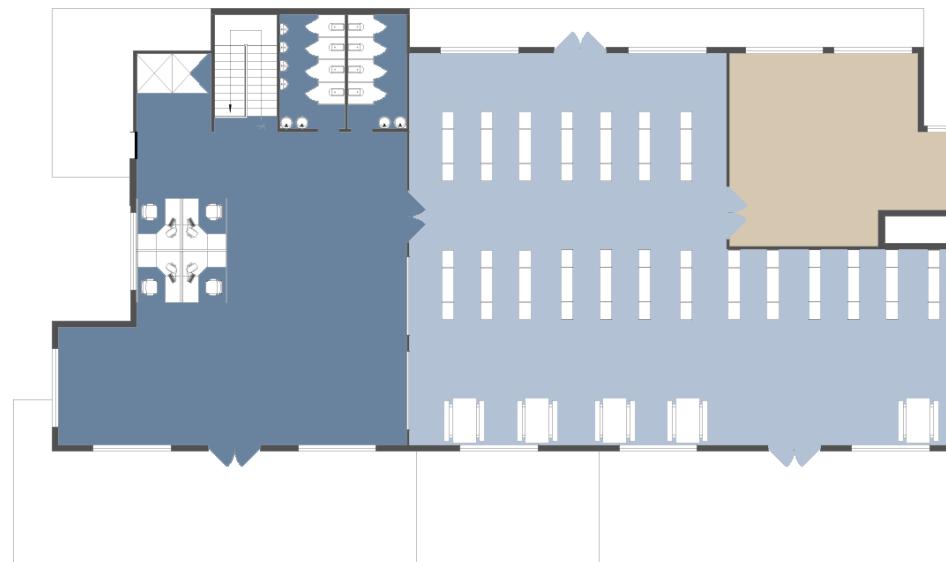
### Detailed Plans (1"=20')



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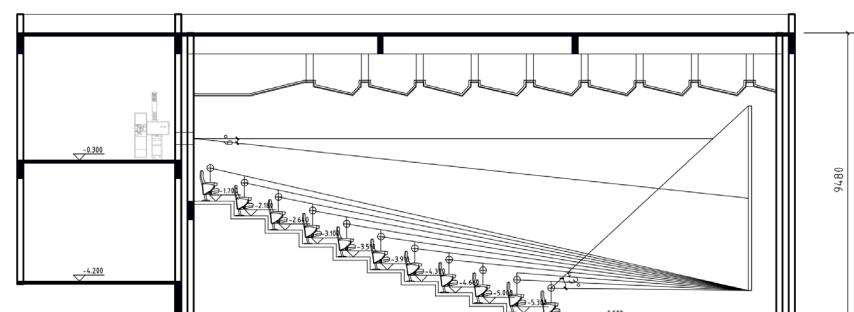


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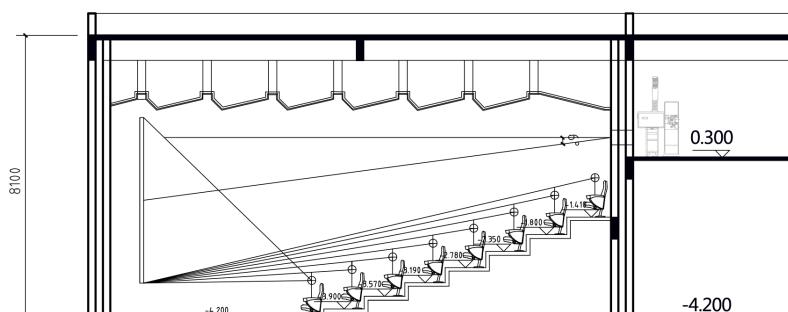


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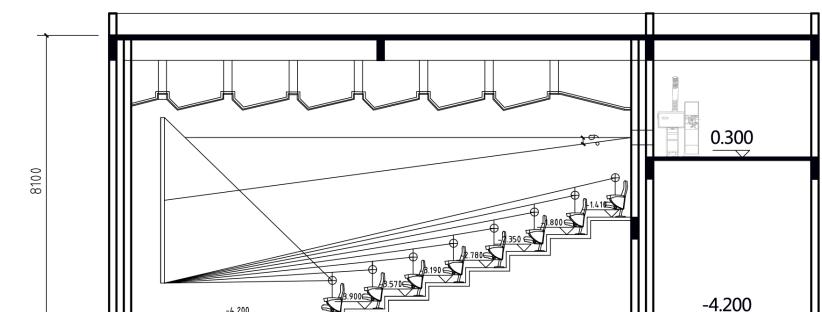
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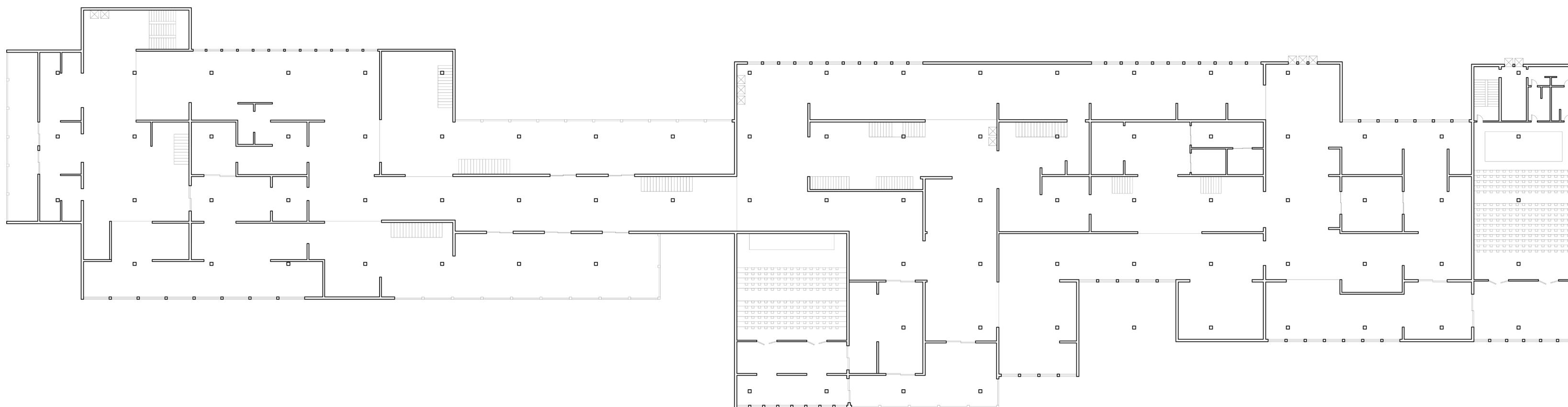
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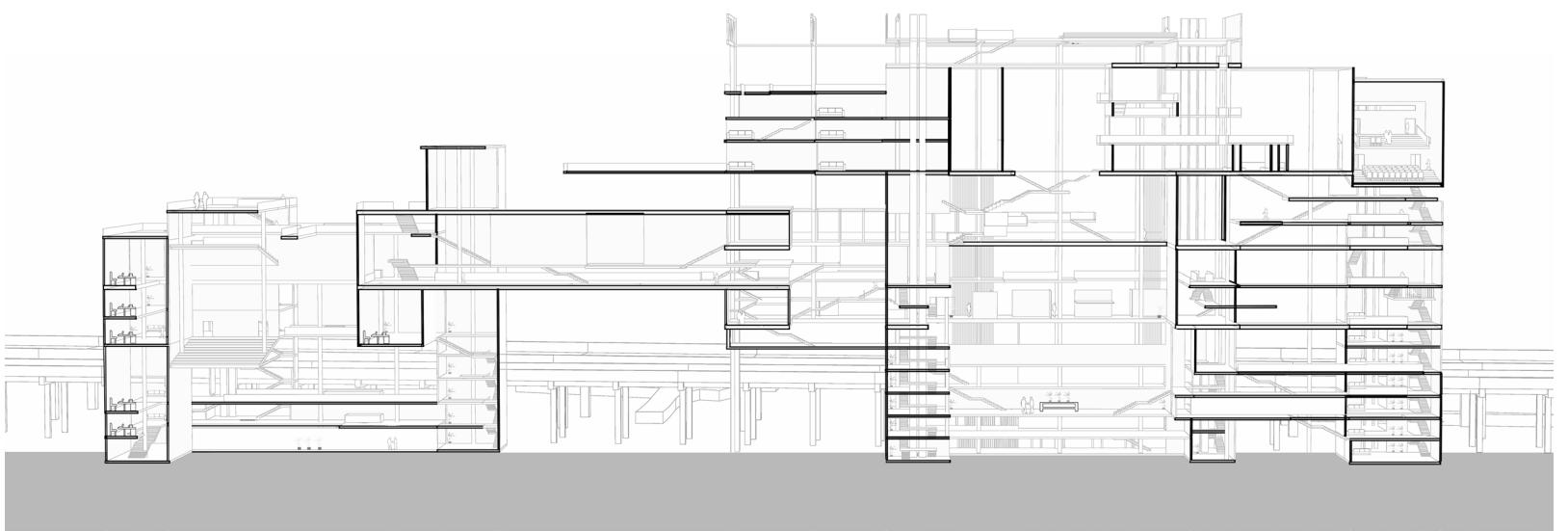
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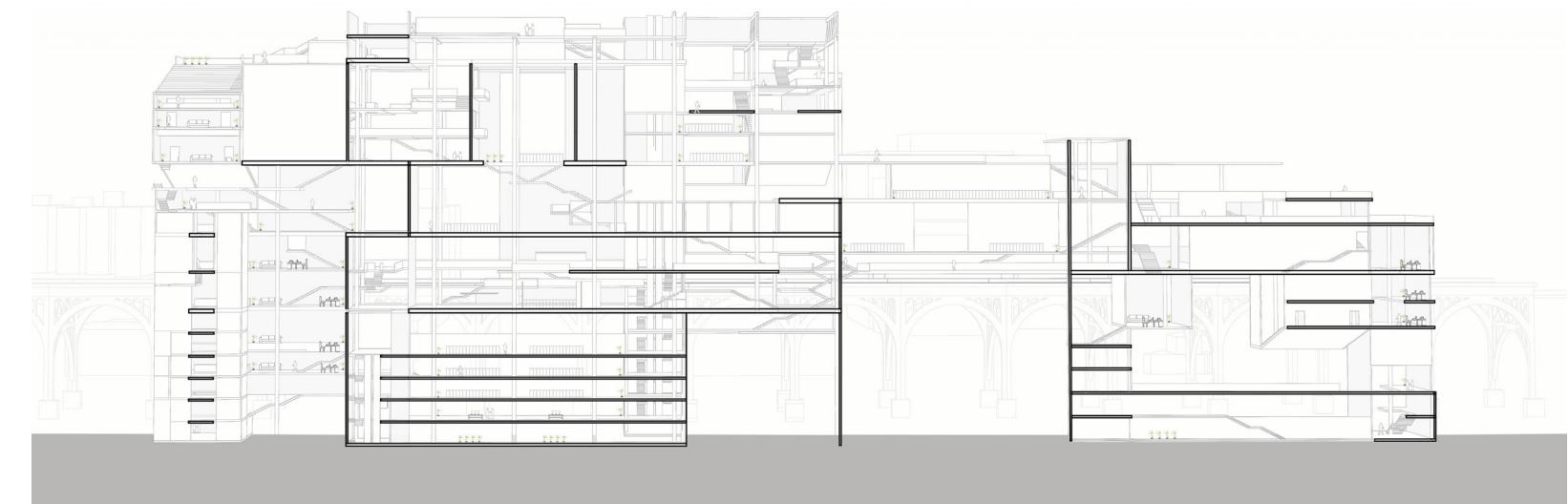
auditorium 2 or 1



Master Plan Level 06



Linear Section from Campus



Linear Section from the Hudson River



View from the Hudson River



View from Drivers on Highway

## 02

### **"Reborn": A Mixed-use Building at the University of Virginia**

Experimenting Architectural Intervention on the Spatial Separation of the Built Environment

Studio Work

Instructor: Schaeffer Somers

Individual Work

Fall 2021

The active railway cutting through UVA's campus **weakens the connections** between the North and South grounds of UVA. This project, designed to be located at Lambeth (North Grounds), is dedicated to changing this situation.

To restore the connections for the grounds, a **skyline walkway over the rail** is used to connect the main campus, Carr's Hill Field and Nameless Field. The building includes **collective commons** on the base section (1-4 floors) and **student-faculty housing** on the top section (5-7 floors). The form and shape are generated to ensure potential entrances on the site.

On each floor, a **half-floor** is added to allow people to look down and enjoy the beauty of "flows" inside the building. The central courtyard **introduces water** from Dell to Lambeth, which will flow around the railway and finally gather at the center and become **the major supply** for people living in the dorms of the building.

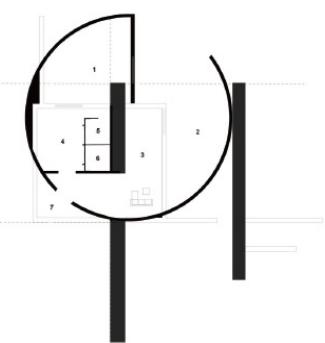
Last but not least, this building is named "Reborn" because it is "rebornable". For every level above, the future constructor can **follow the similar pattern** as what it has for now, so when there are more residents, no extra design or new materials will be considered.



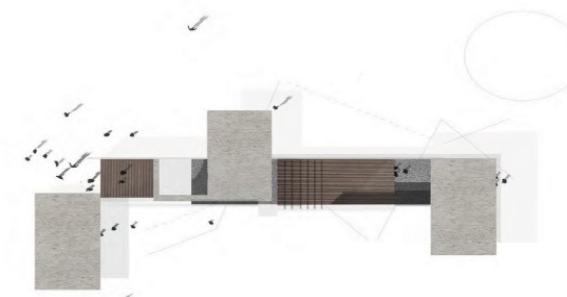
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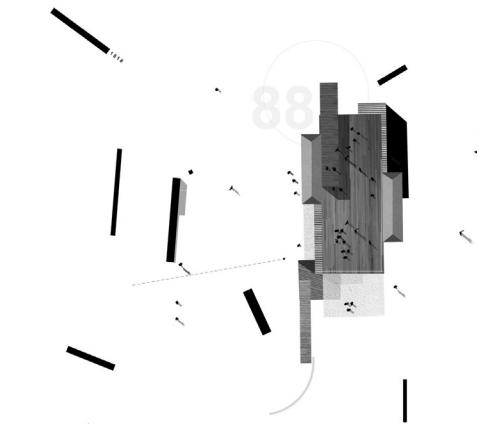
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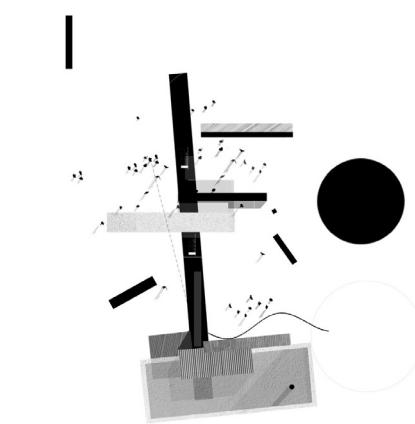
circle analysis



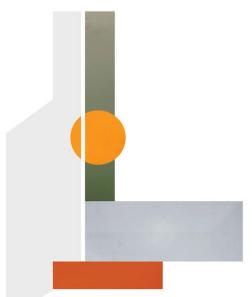
block analysis (straight line)



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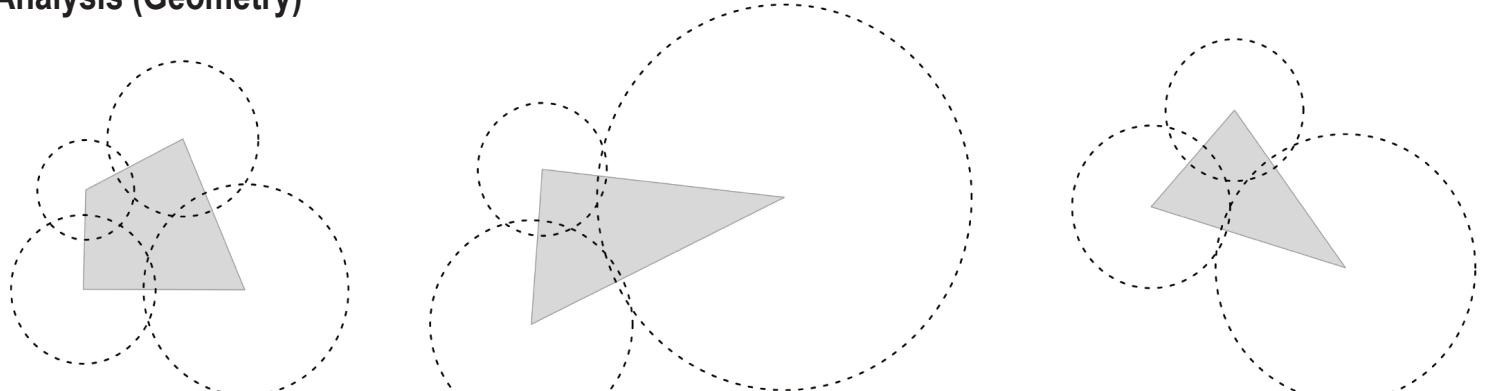


line combination analysis 2



geometry analysis  
(extract ideas from previous steps)

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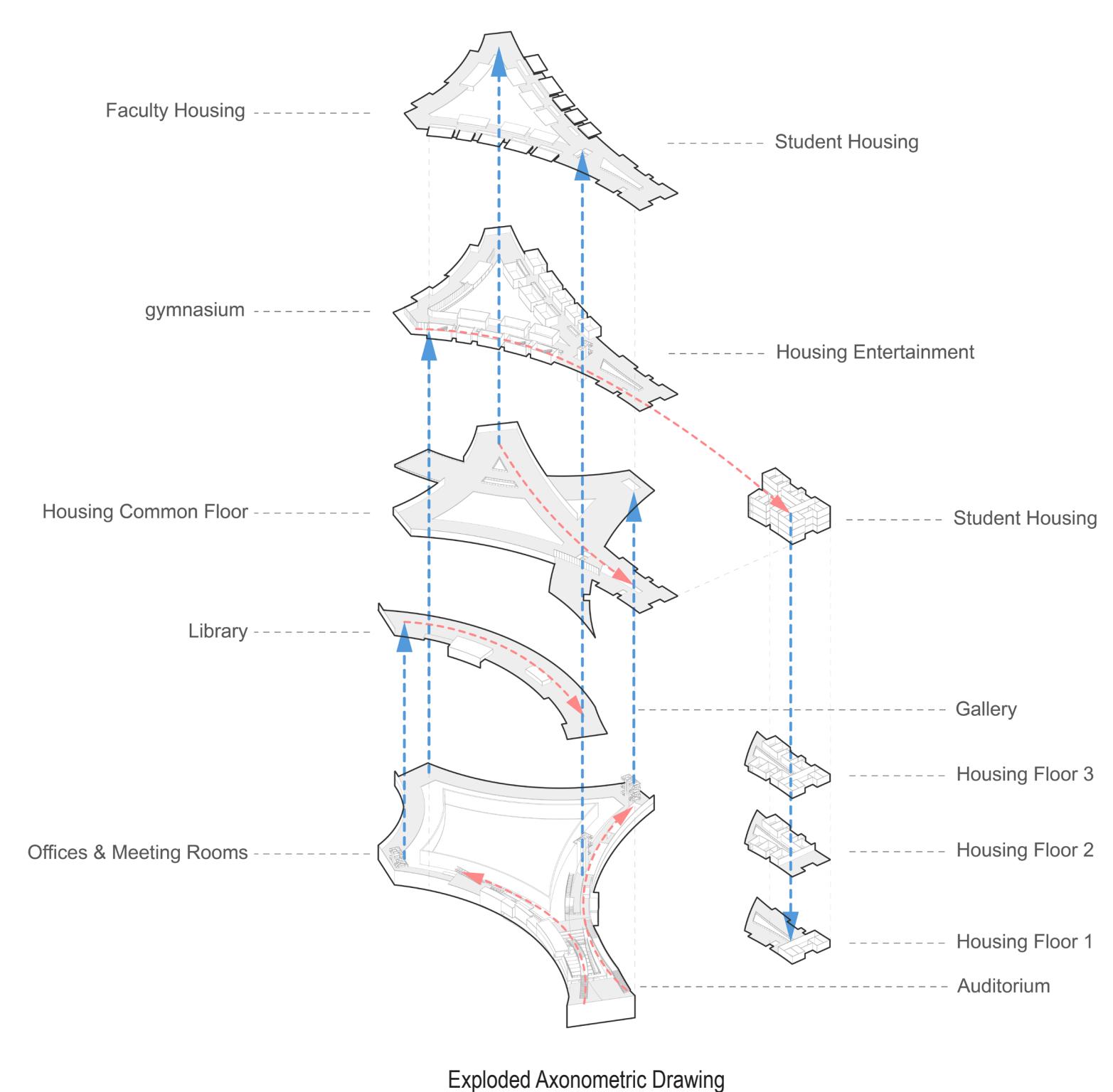
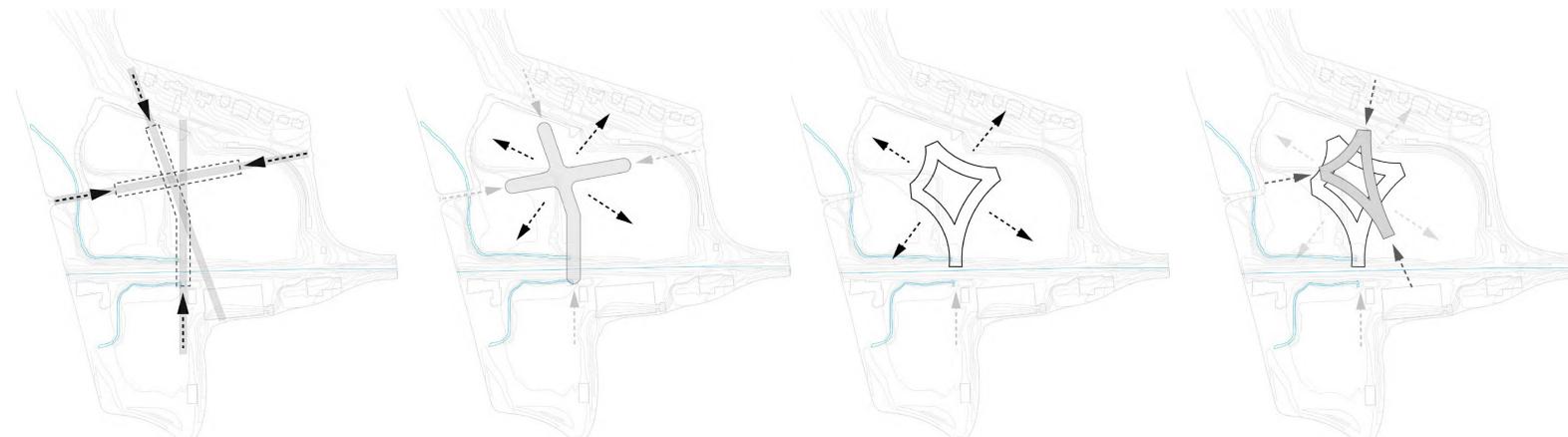


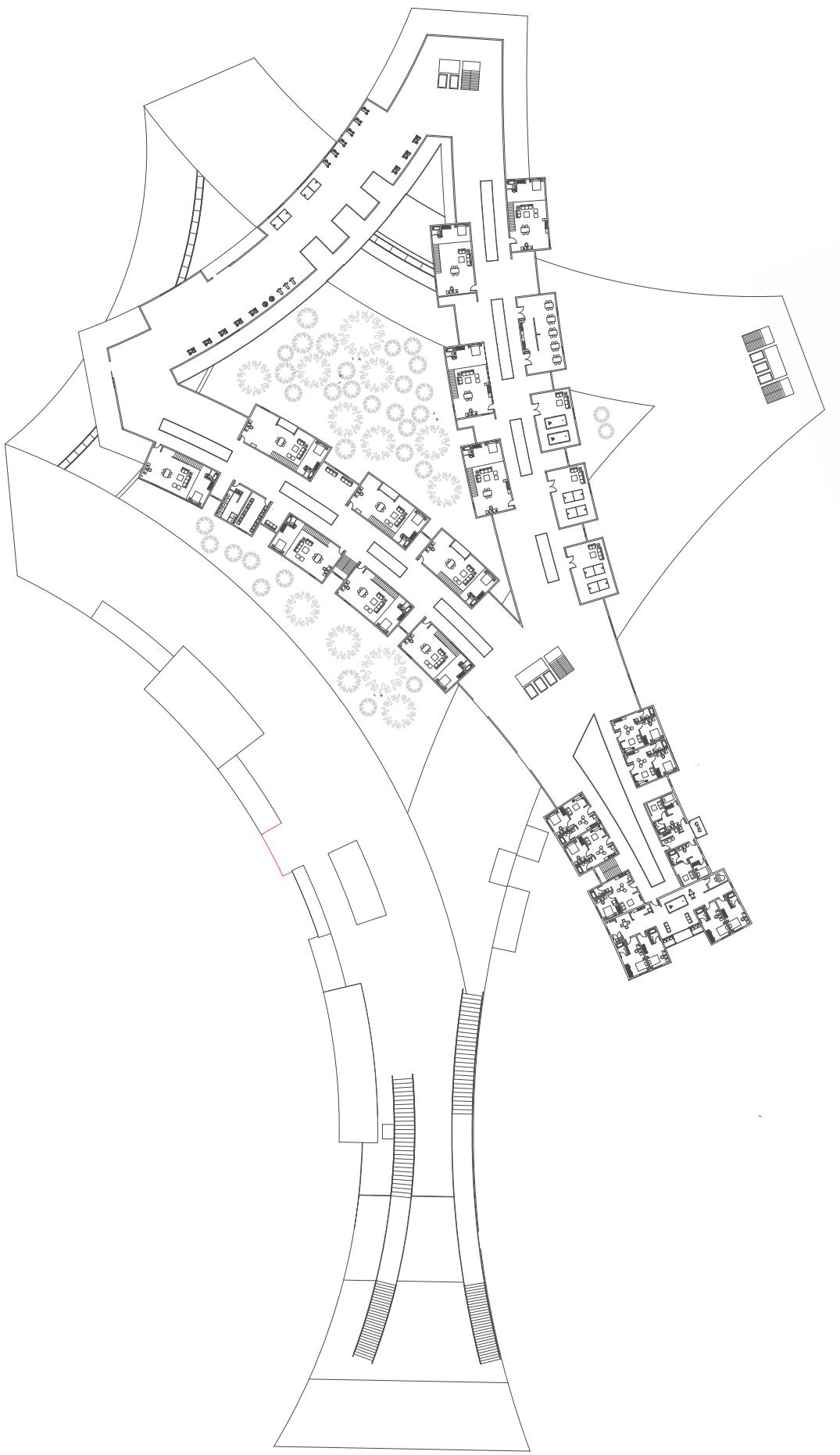
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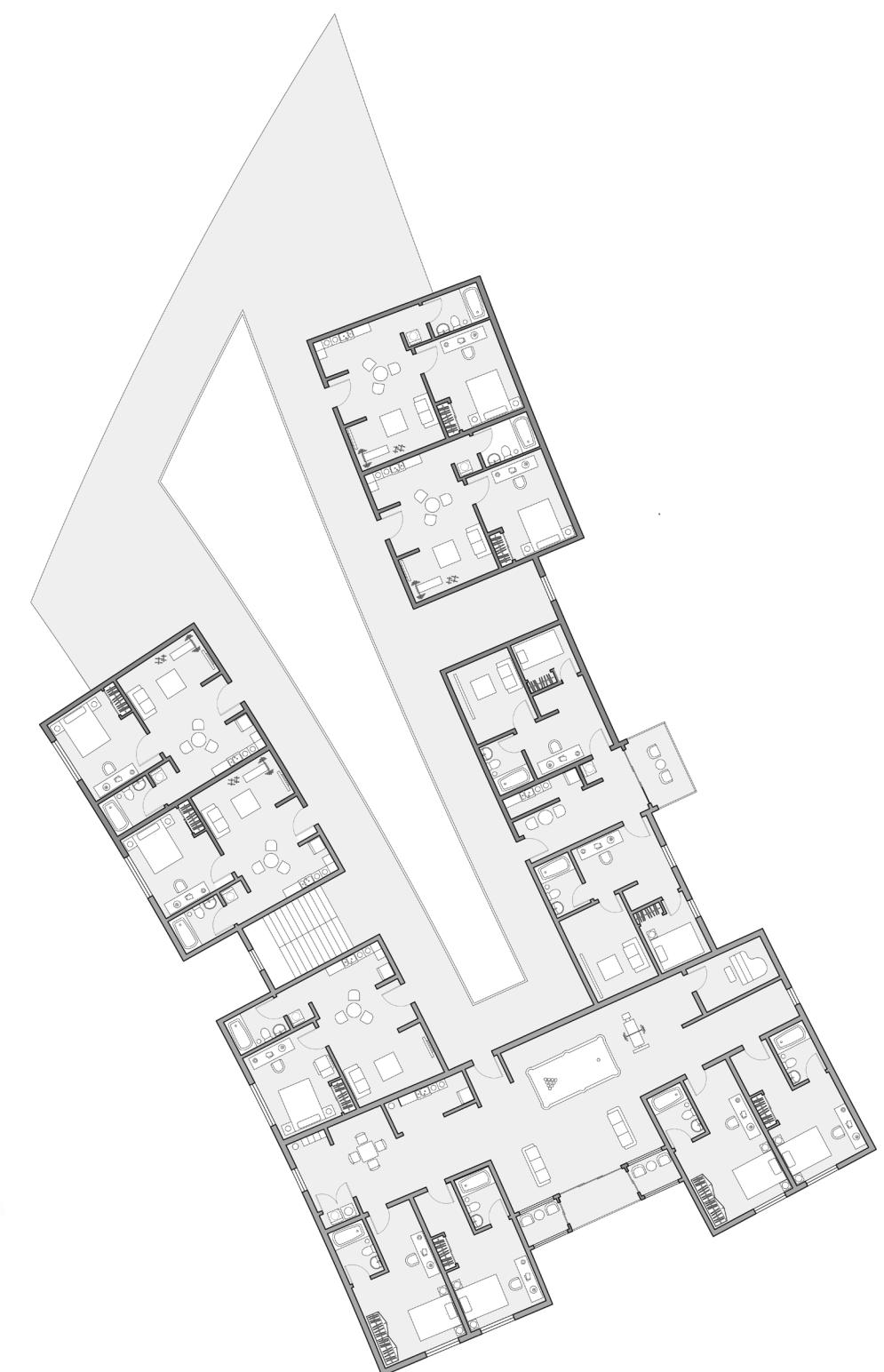




Master Plan on the Third Level

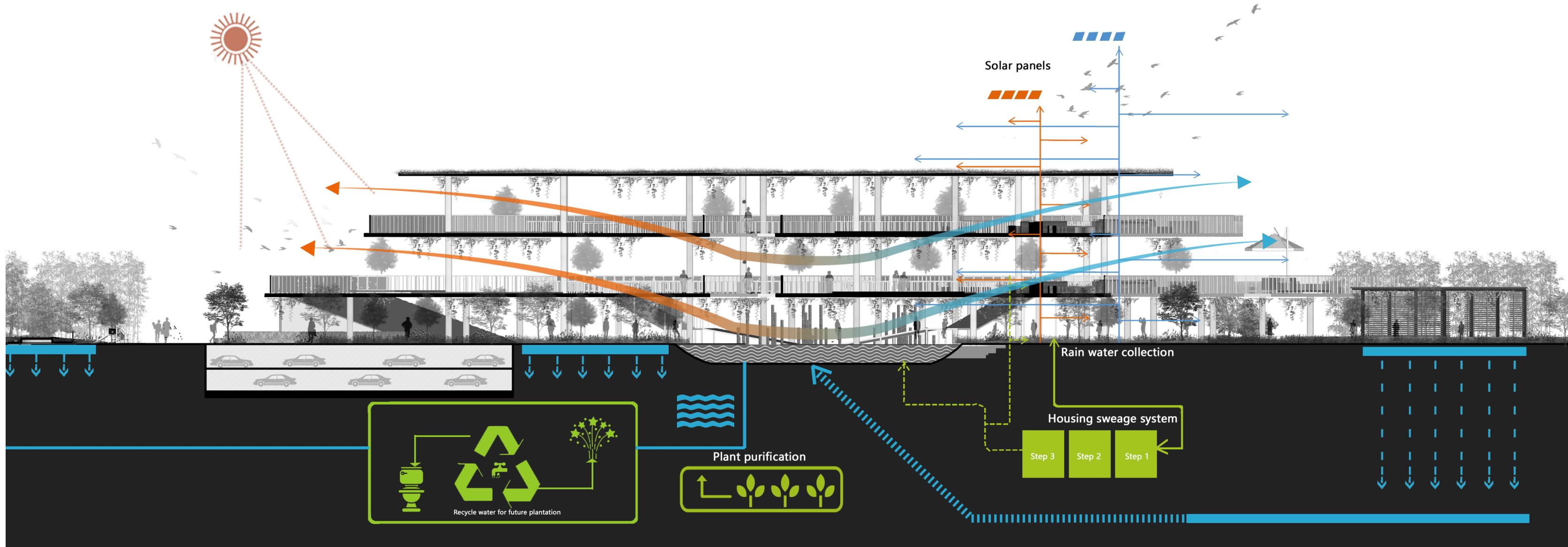
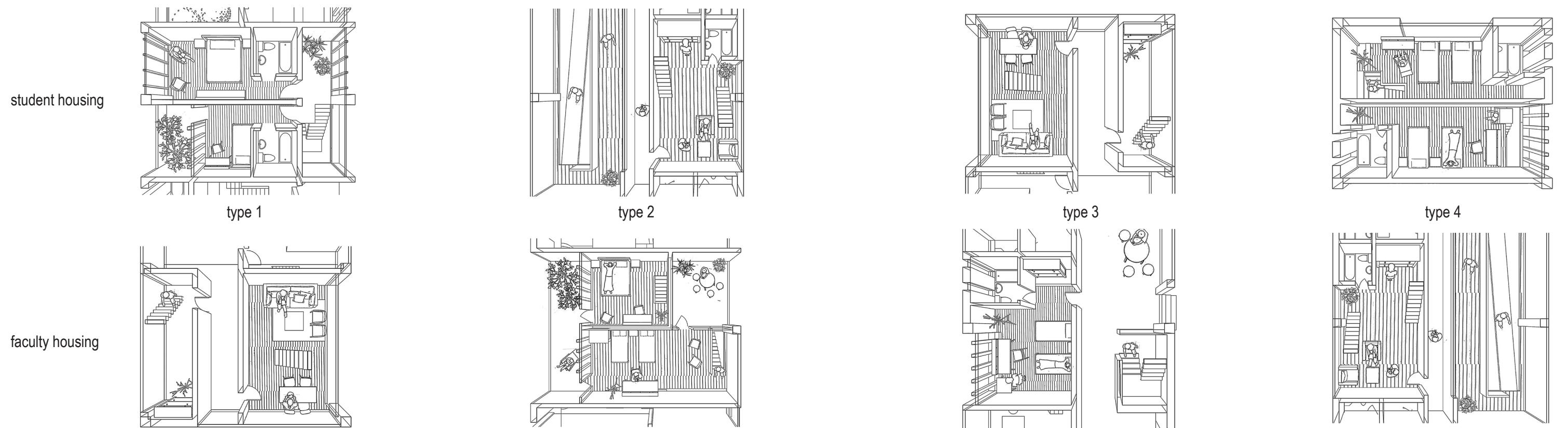


Plan for the Northeast Wing



Plan for the Faculty Housing Floor

## Detailed Housing Plans



Elevation with Ecological Analysis

## Rendered Images



Central Courtyard



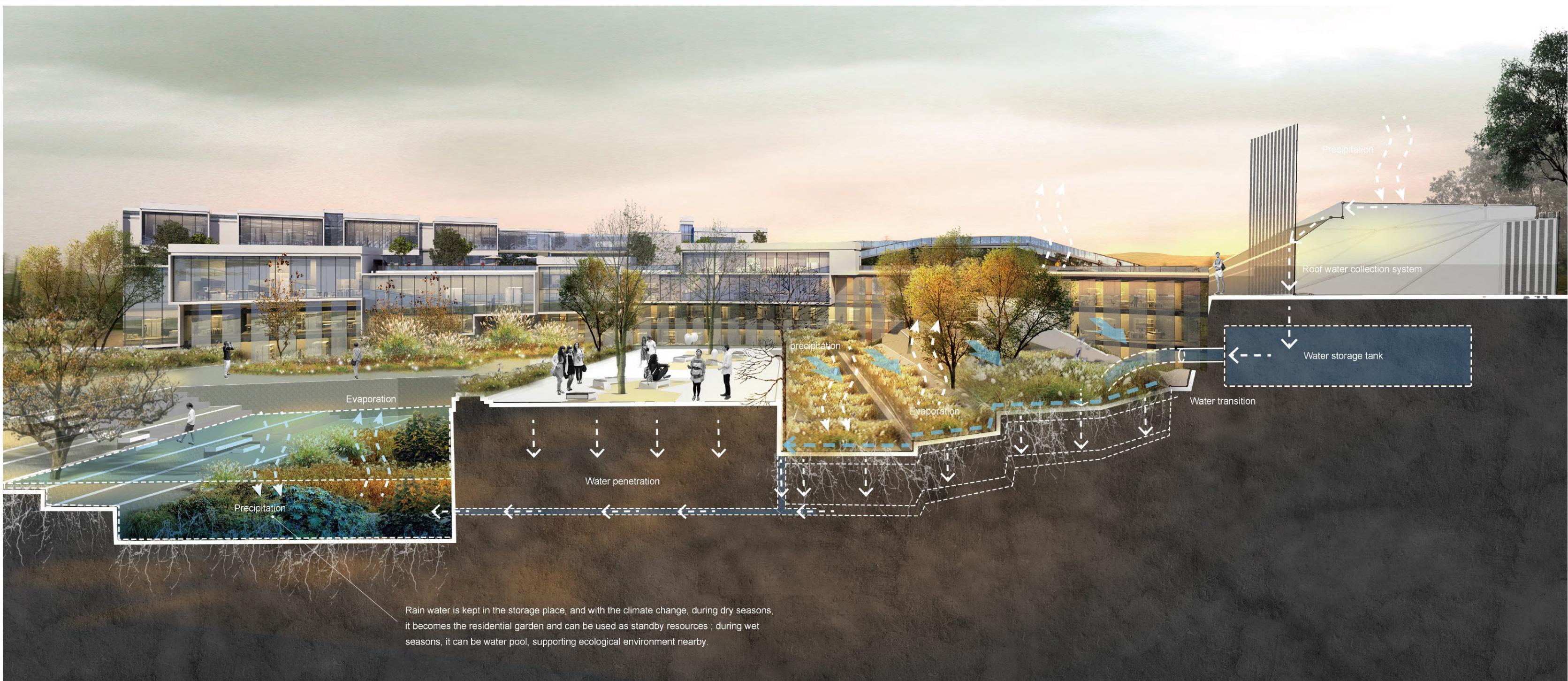
Birdeye View



Entrance to the Second Level



Fitness Center



Long Section With Designed Water Storage and Reuse System

### 03

## A Renovated Bridge in an Old Water Town

Bridging Humans and Vehicles

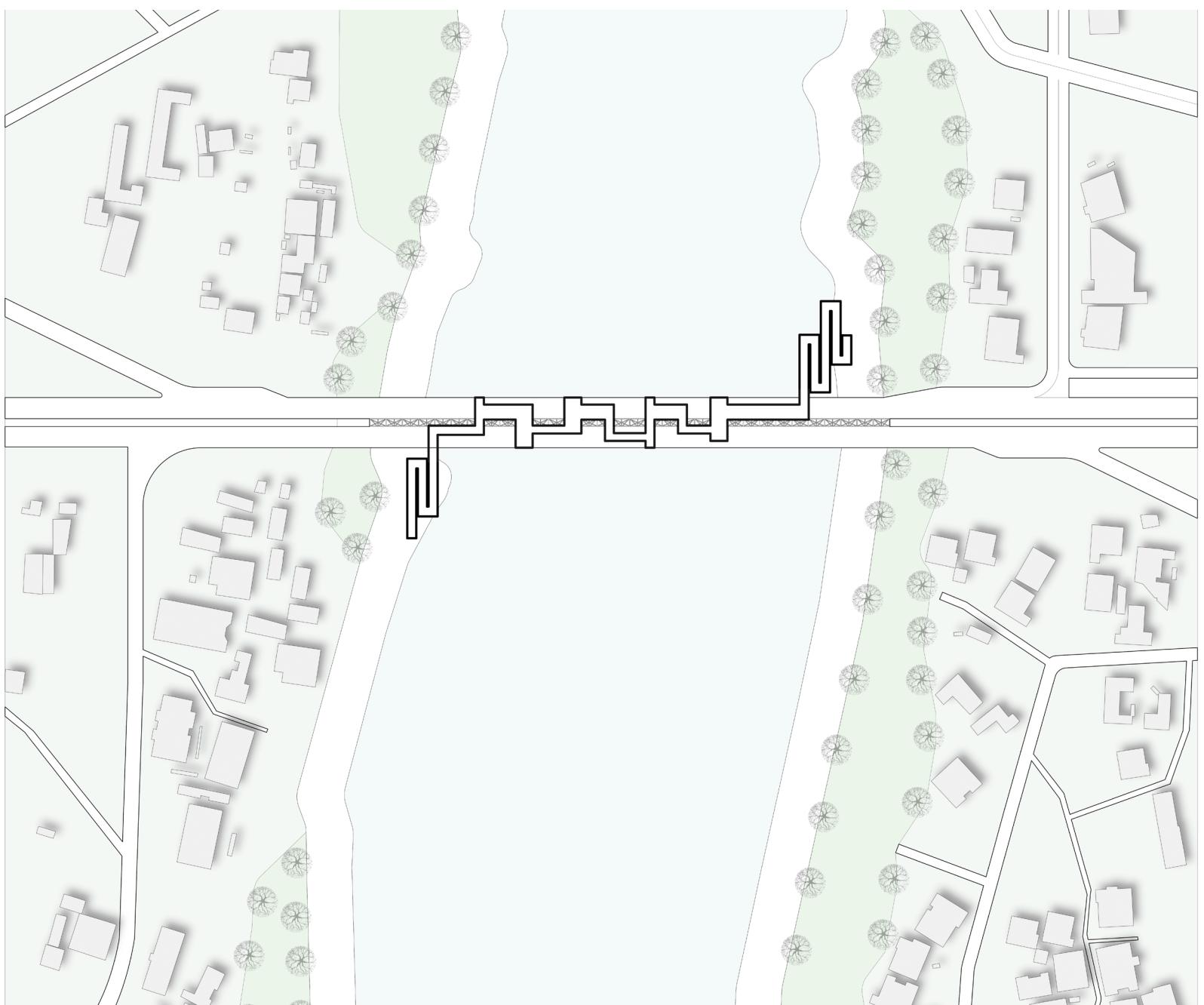
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Individual Work  
Fall 2022

Traditionally, a bridge is **a simple connection system** to make two sides meet. However, a modern bridge can be more sophisticated.

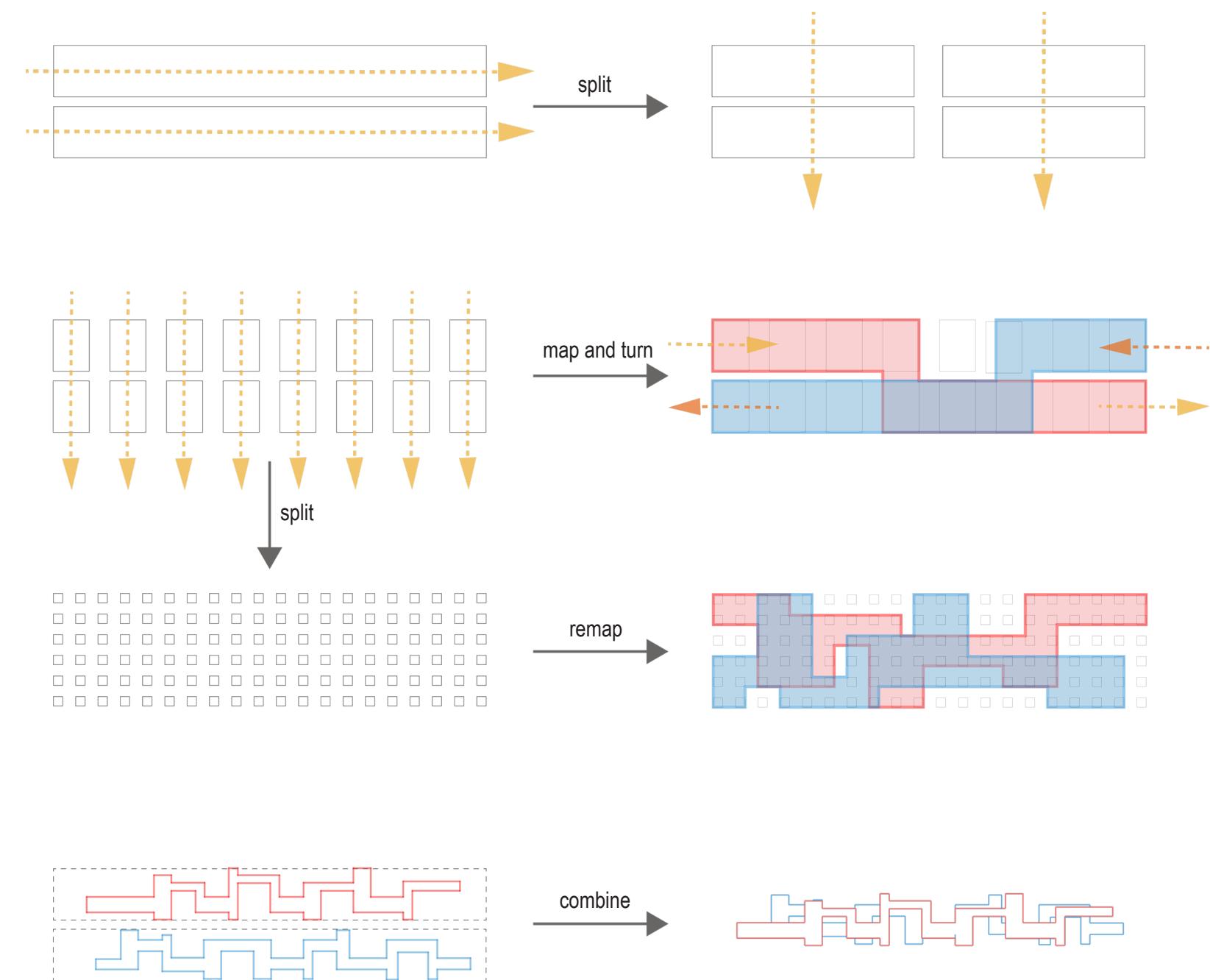
Spanning over the Yongxin River , the 150-meter bridge takes the shape of a zipper to allow both vehicles and pedestrians to pass conveniently and thus **ease traffic pressure**. The walkable aisles are above and below the driveway, and **pedestrians can go up and down** through connected stairs. The lower aisle is mainly for passing, while the upper aisle is designed to accommodate small shops. At both ends of the bridge, there are **ramps, stairs and elevators** so that pedestrians can directly go up to the aisles from the shore.

The entire bridge is supported by **a mesh steel frame structure**. The middle part of the structure can carry the vertical force of the three floors, and extend the beam from the center to **achieve the effect of horizontal support** at the same time.

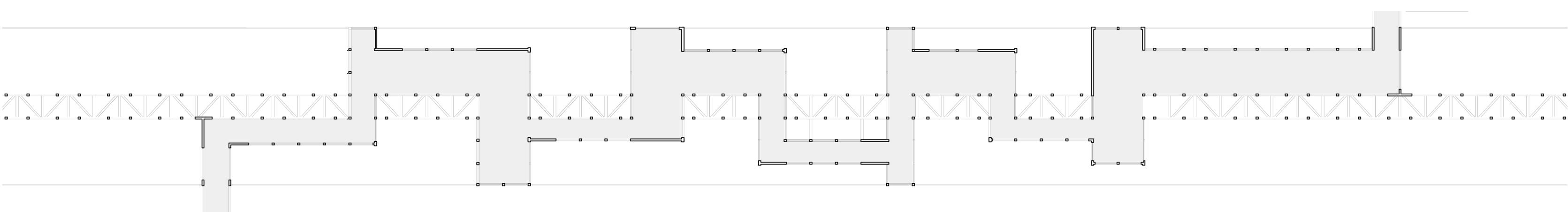




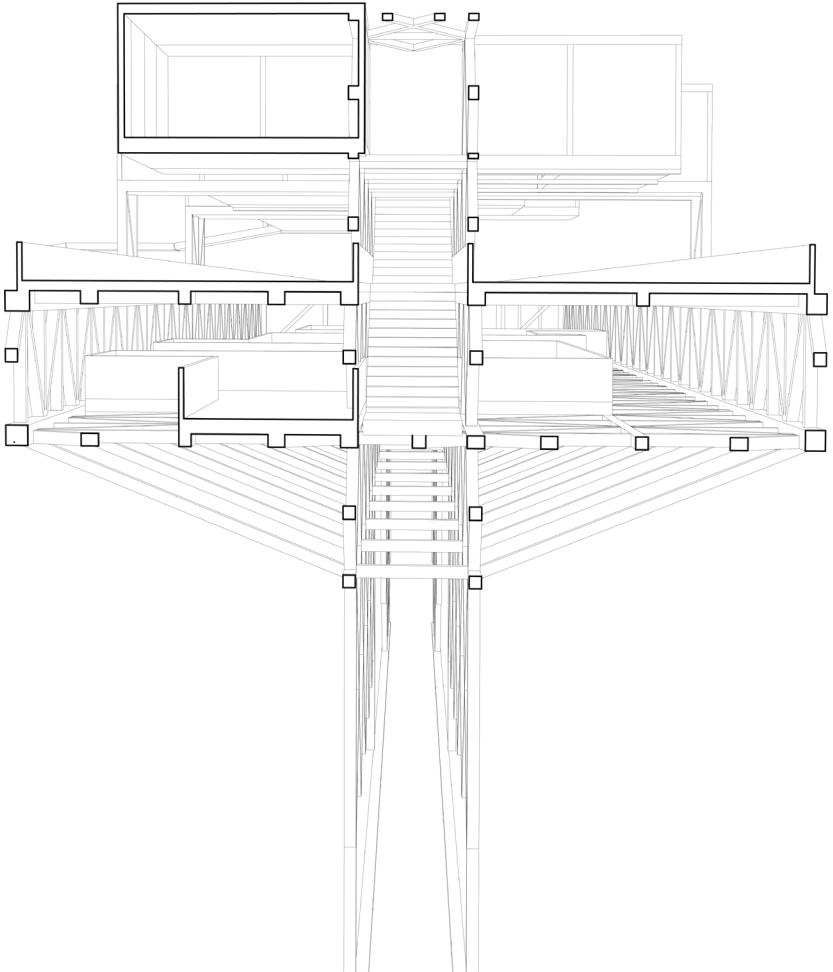
Site Plan



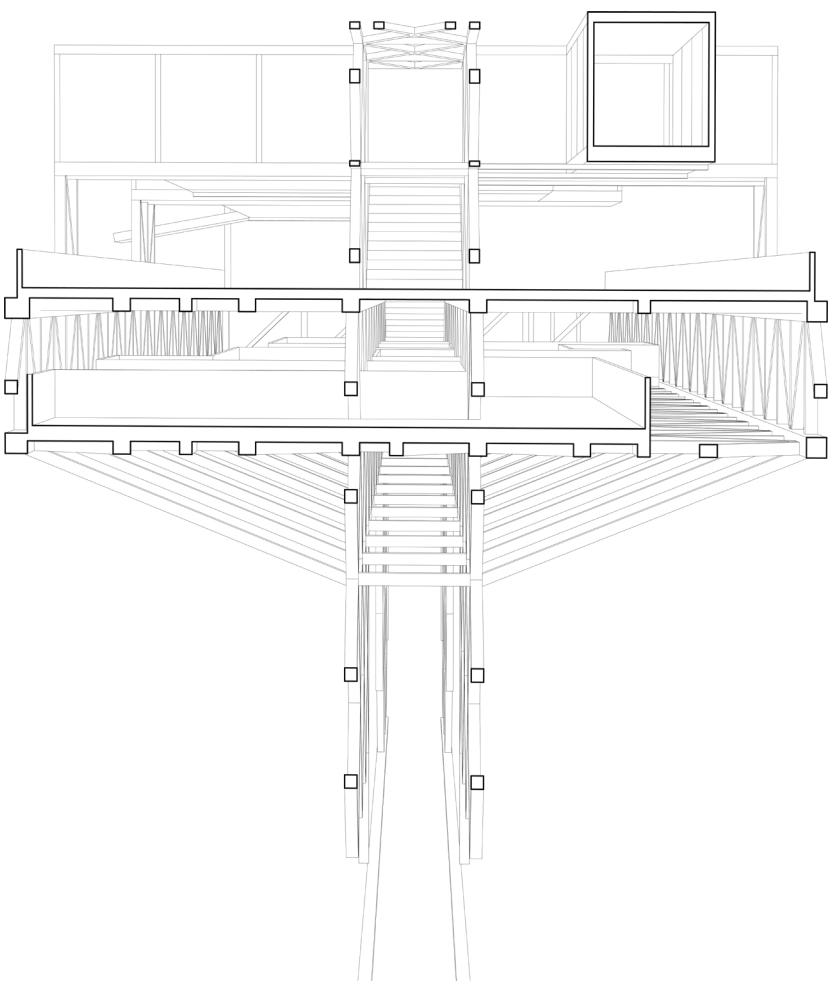
Form Analysis



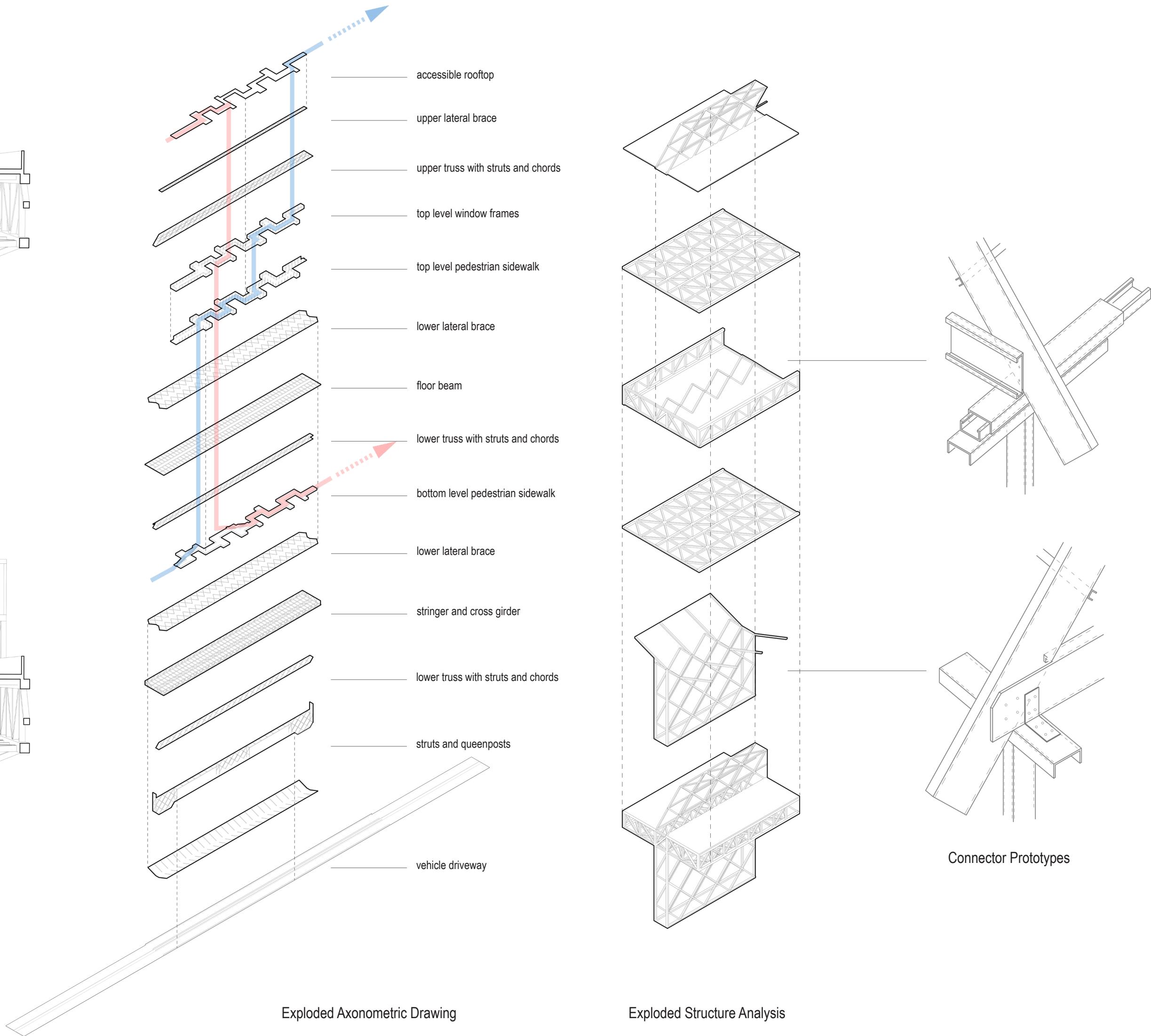
Master Plan on the Top Sidewalk Level

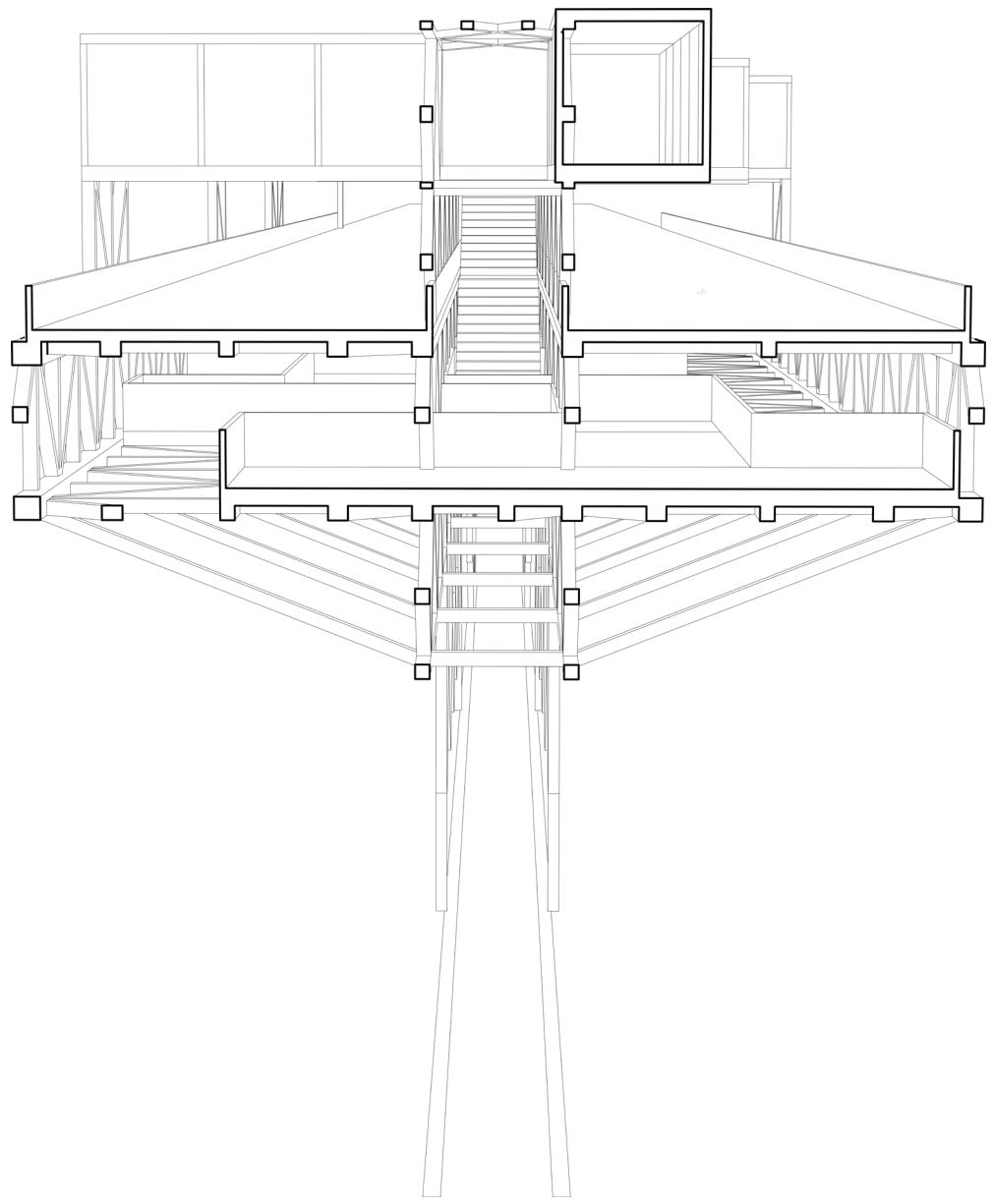


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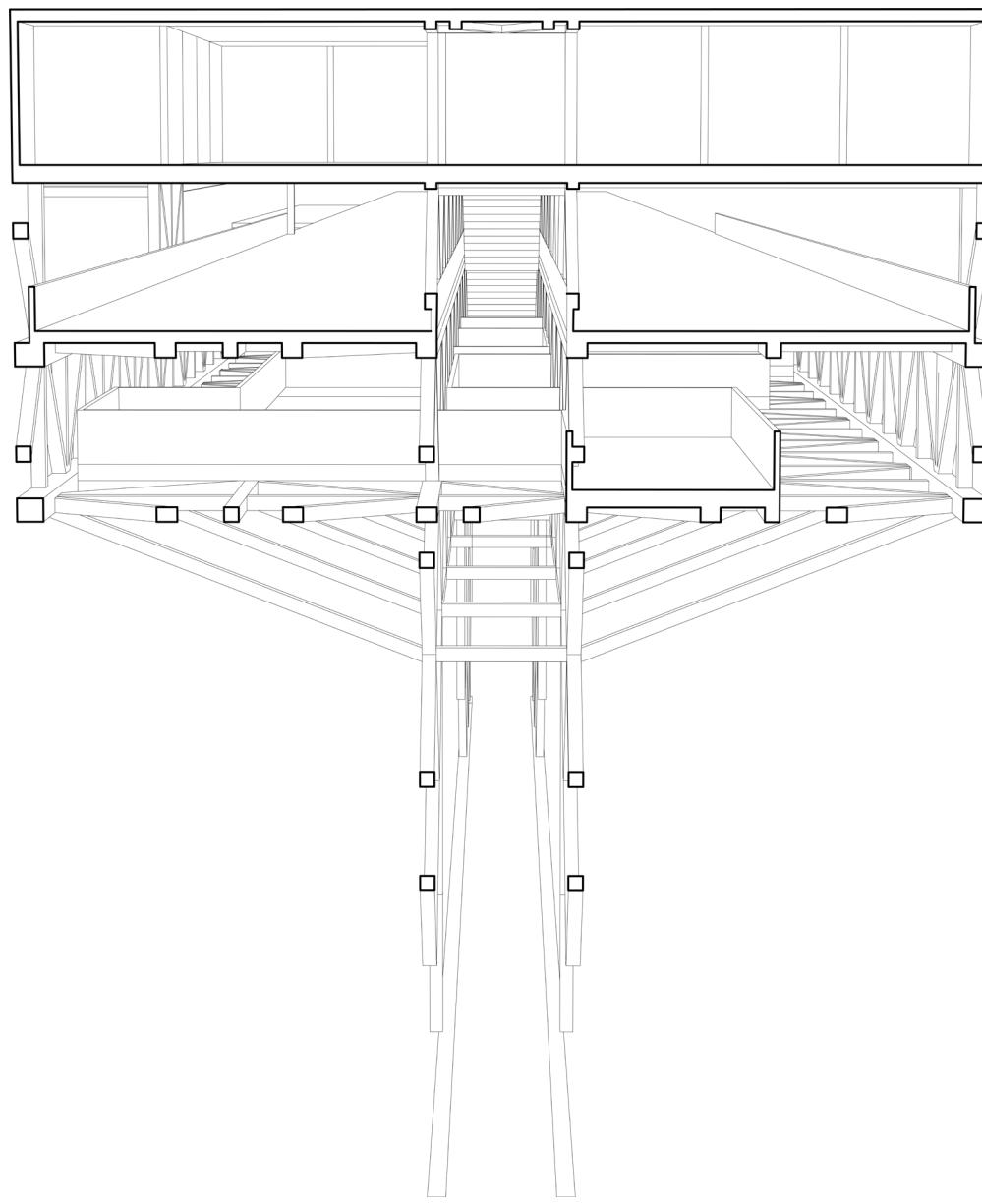


West End Section 2

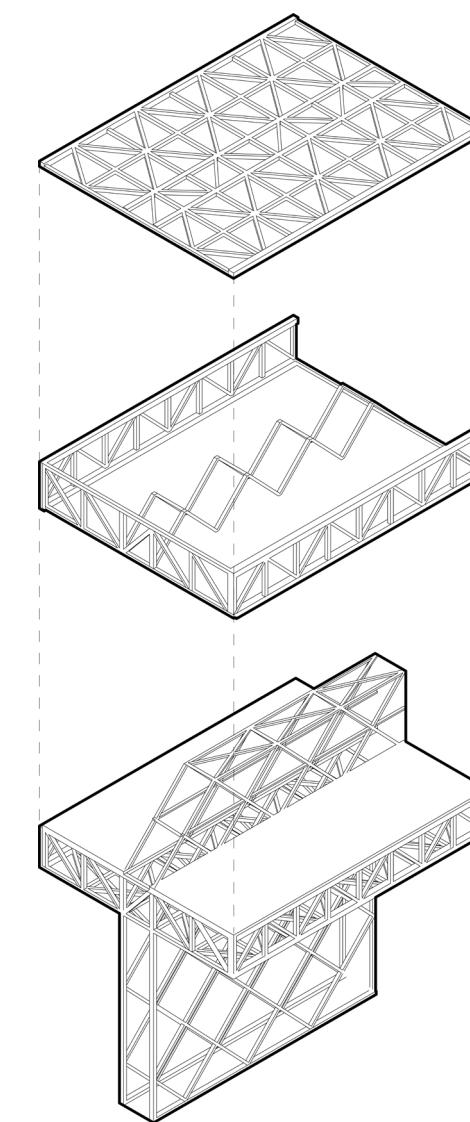




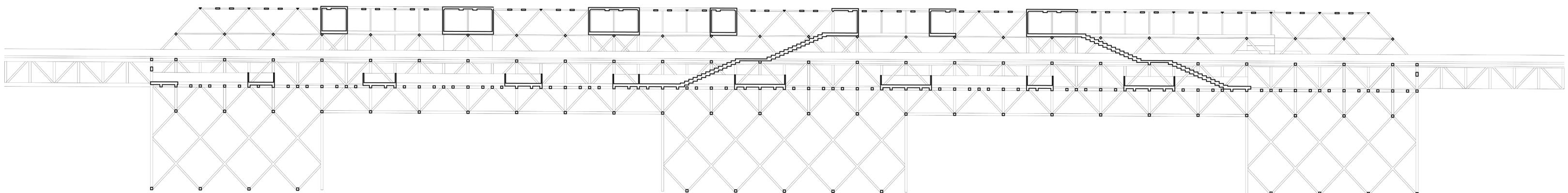
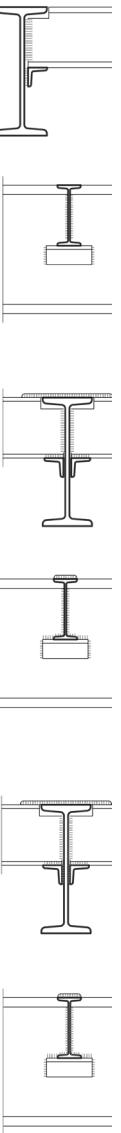
East End Section 1



East End Section 2



I-Beam Structure Prototypes



Linear Section

## Rendered Images



Traffic Lane View (a)



Traffic Lane View (b)



Overall Structure View



Commercial Space in Sidewalk



## 04

### **An Aggregable Collective for Industrial Settlement**

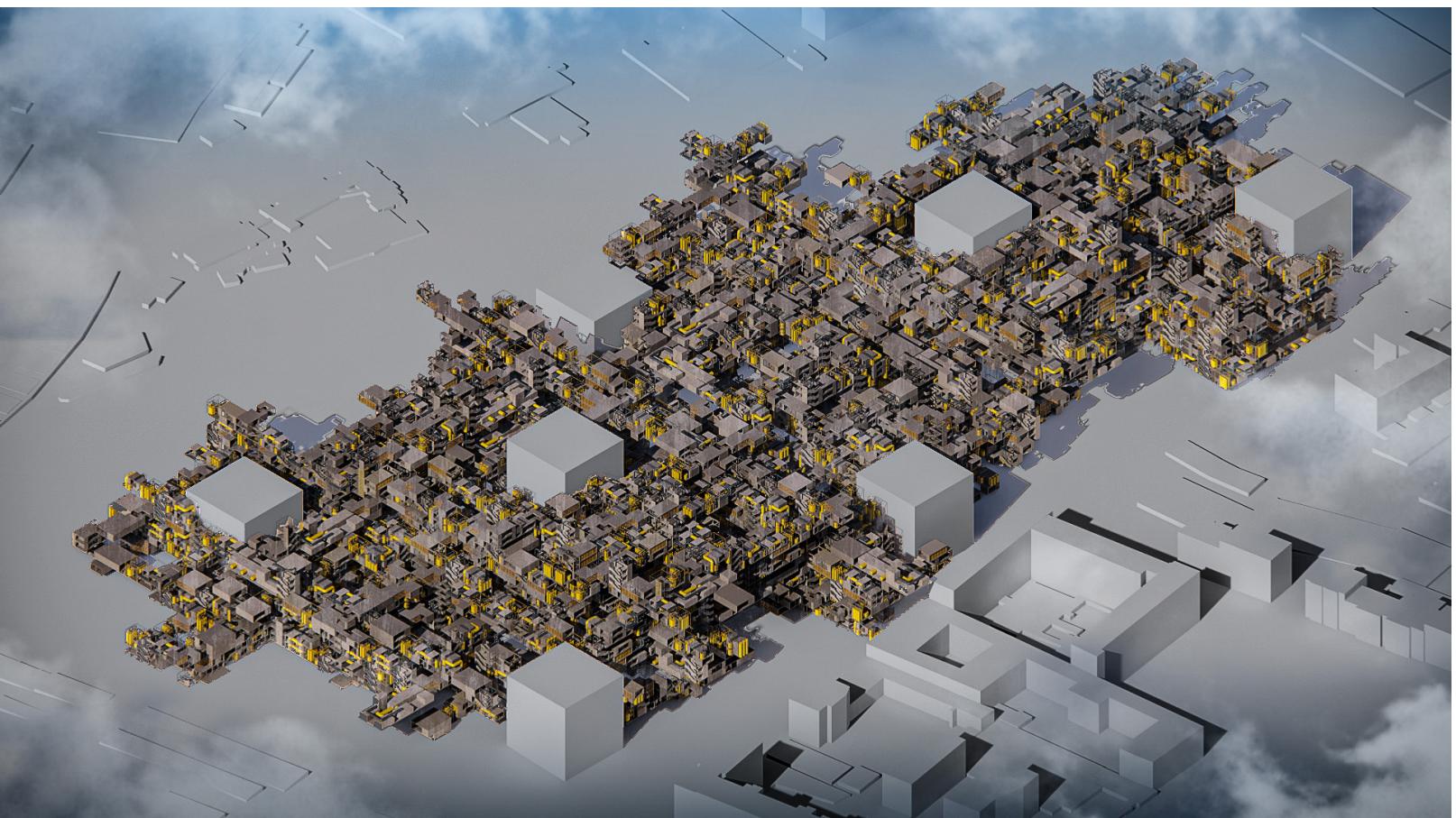
Exploring Architectural Growth with Discrete Design

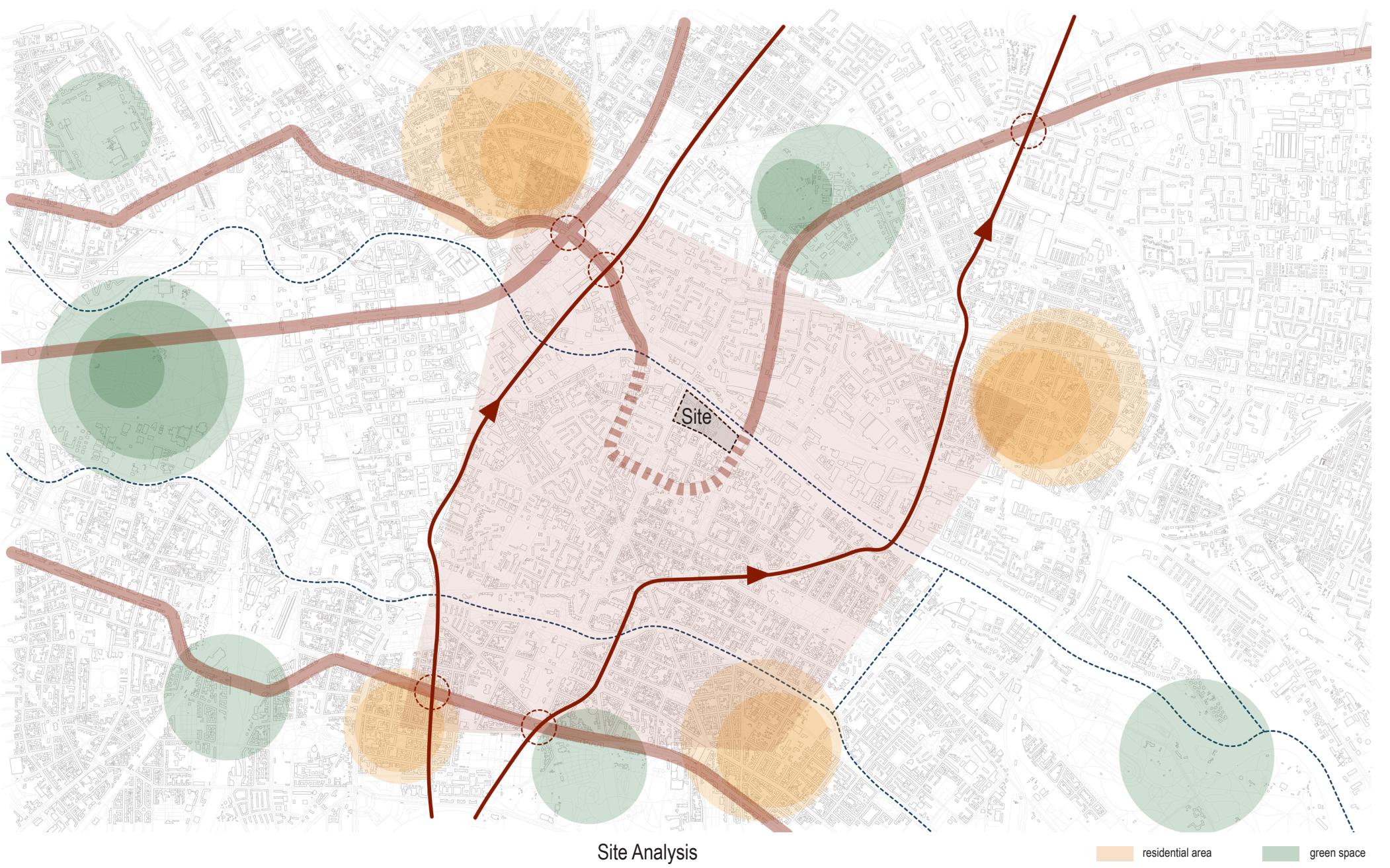
Instructor: Meizi Li  
Individual Work  
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As a wall is constructed by bricks, an architecture/community could be **aggregated by parts**.

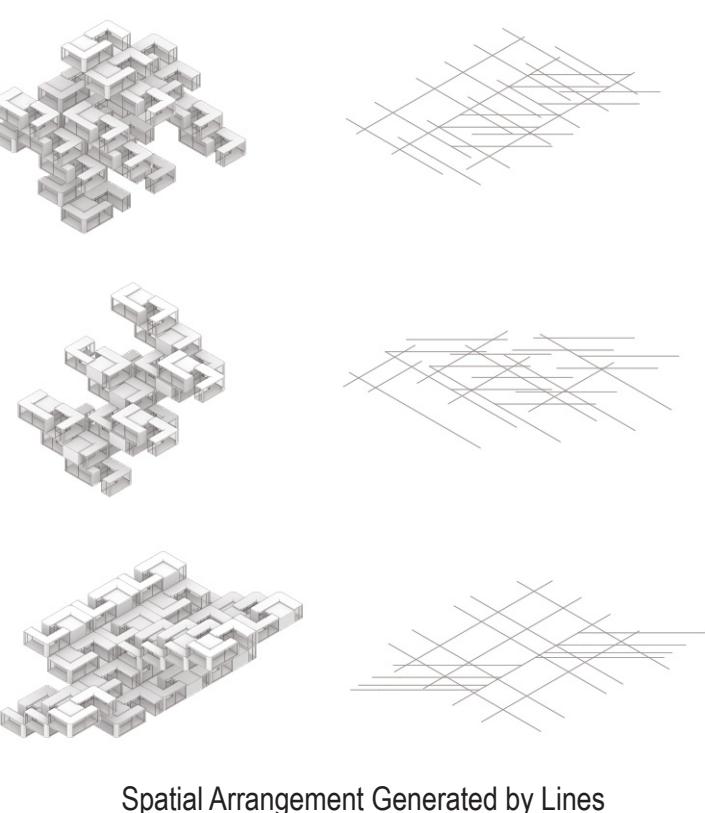
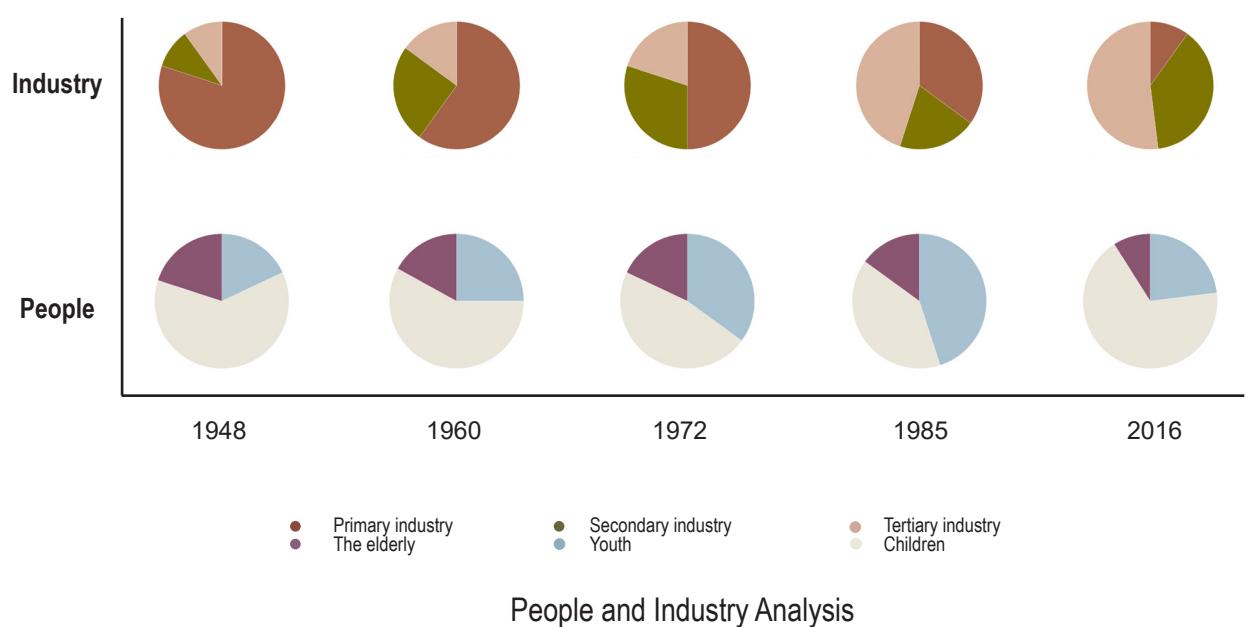
This design site is located around an industrial park in Berlin, Germany. The location is chosen to incorporate the industrial park into a more **compact, multi-functional** building cluster that can “grow.” In this design, basic discrete spaces include apartments, offices, power plants and laboratories, and shared discrete spaces include learning areas and transportation areas.

The prototype of this project can be **extracted, arranged, and augmented** through **parametric operation** to generate a whole city as well as an innovative urban life mode. Their flexibility and inclusiveness allow them to fit into **different city vibes** and promote social interactions.

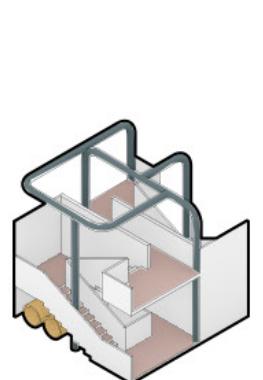




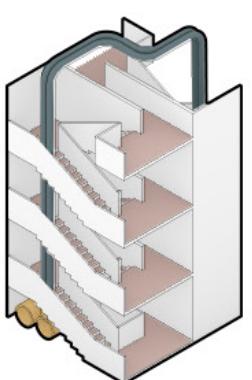
With the continuous development of the German economy and industry, the industrial form is slowly transforming, and more young people are moving in and settling in, creating different residential zones.



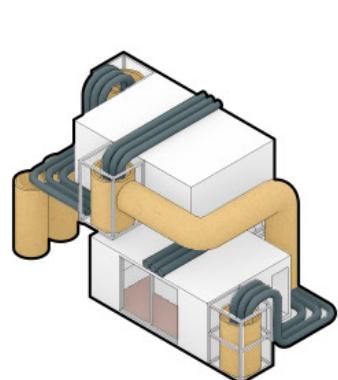
## Prototype Analysis



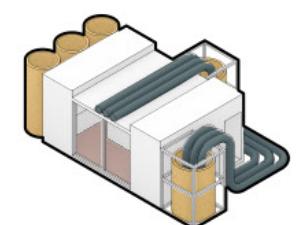
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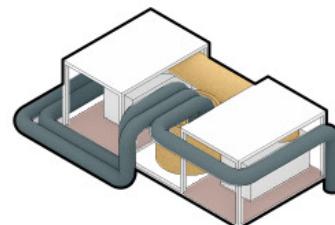
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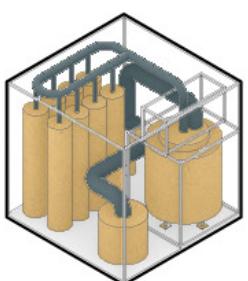
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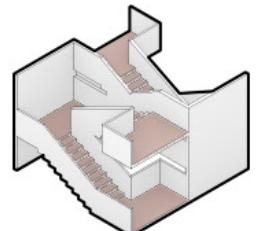
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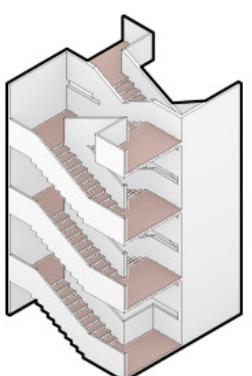
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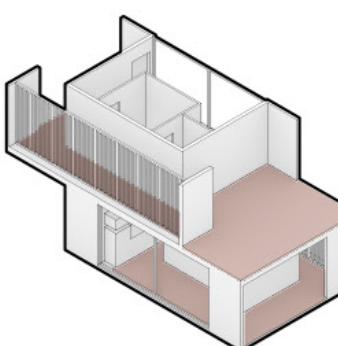
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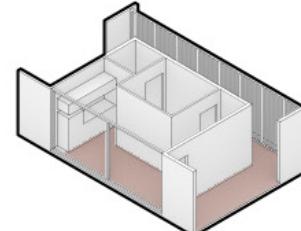
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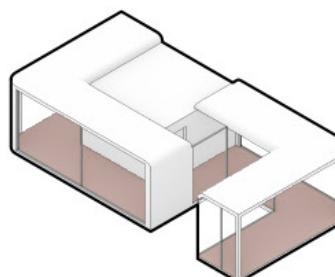
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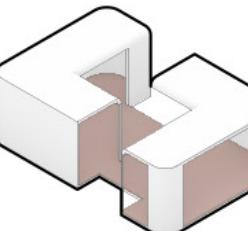
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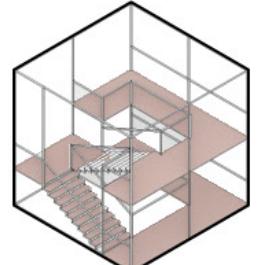
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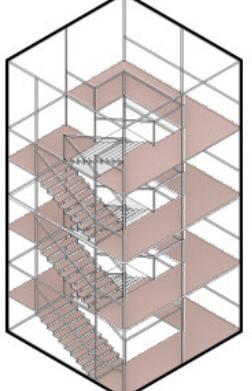
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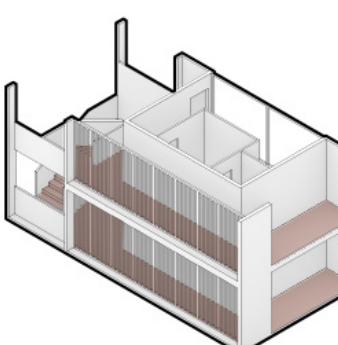
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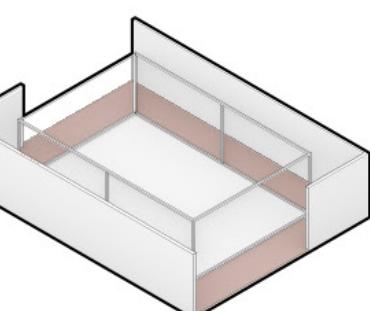
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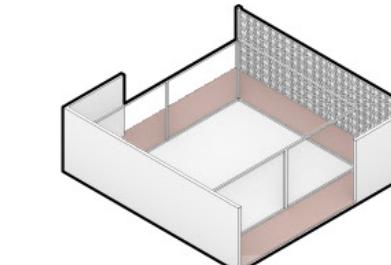
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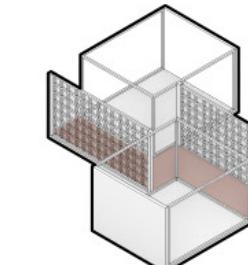
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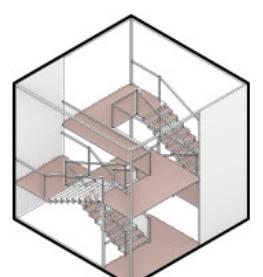
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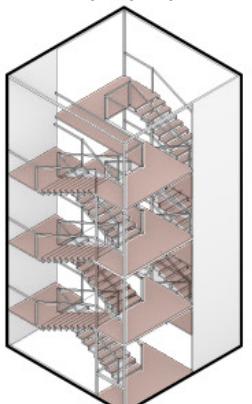
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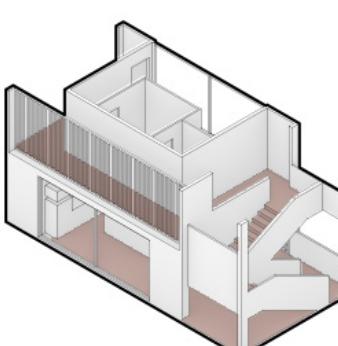
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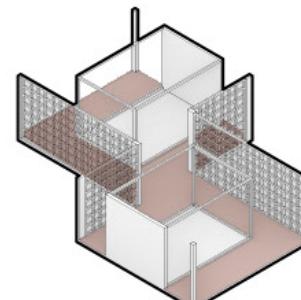
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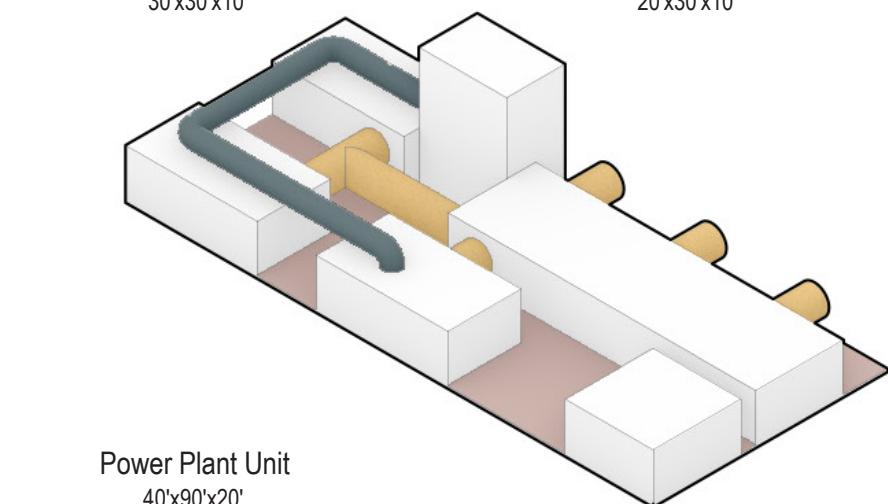
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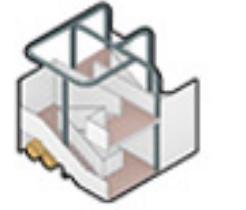


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Power Plant Unit  
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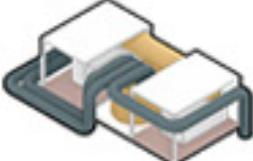
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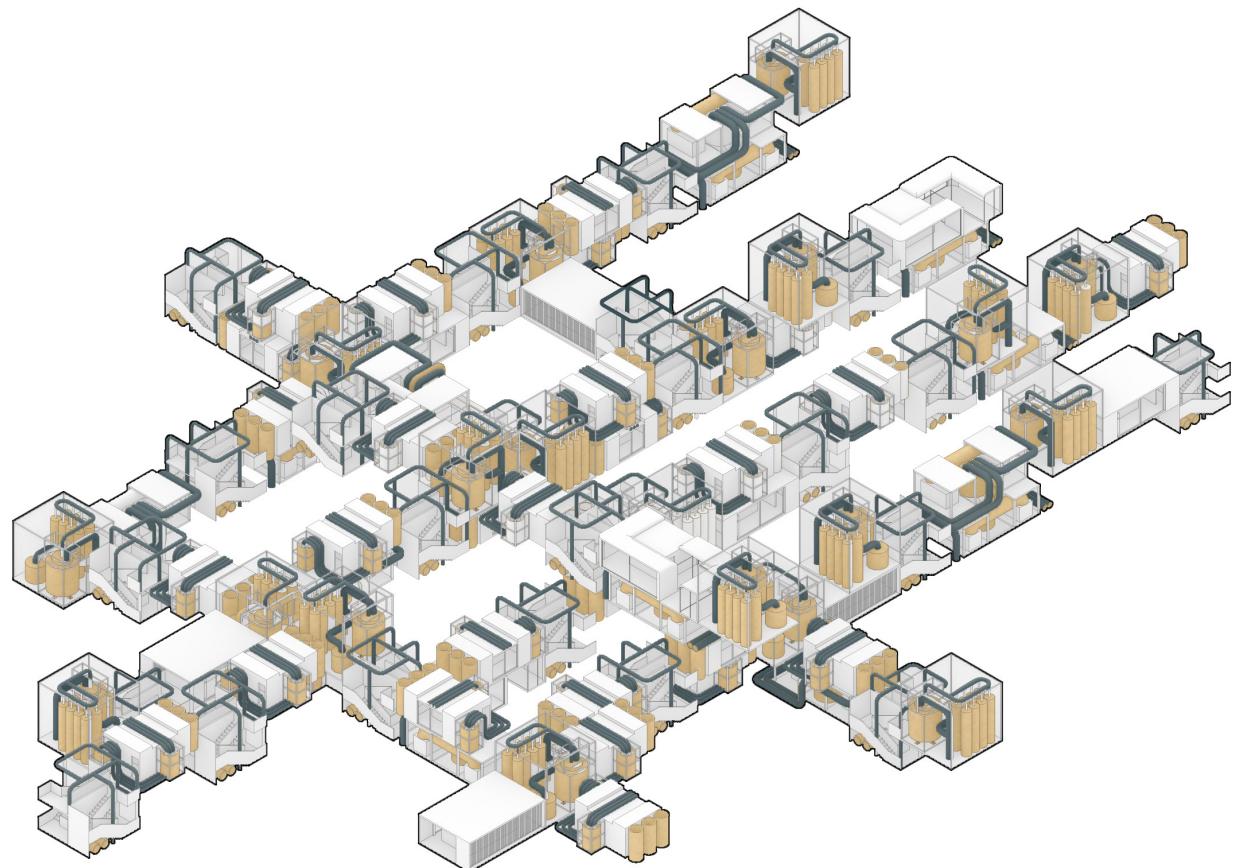
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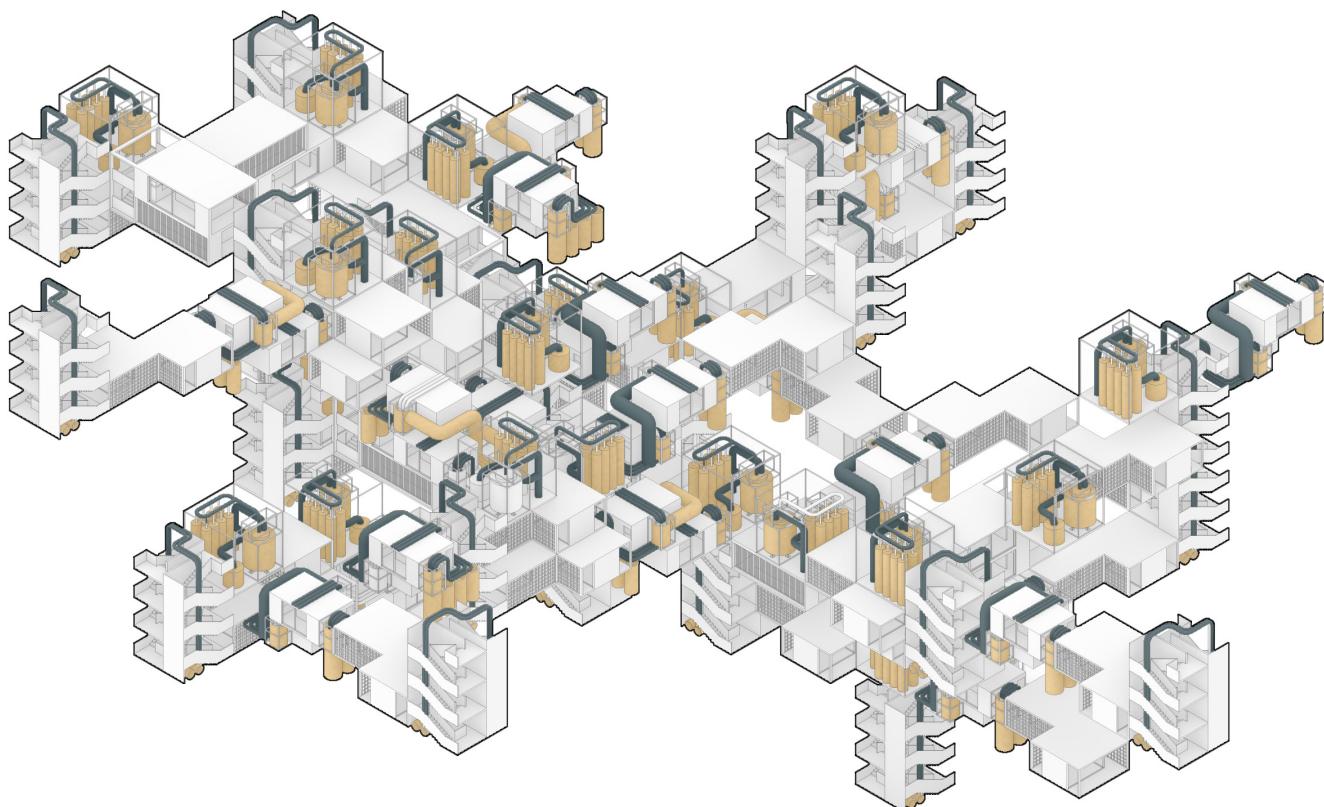
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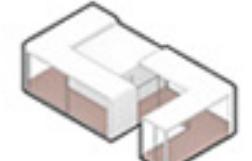
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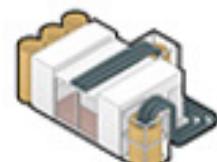


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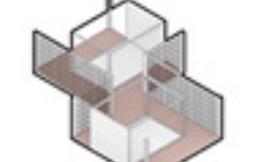
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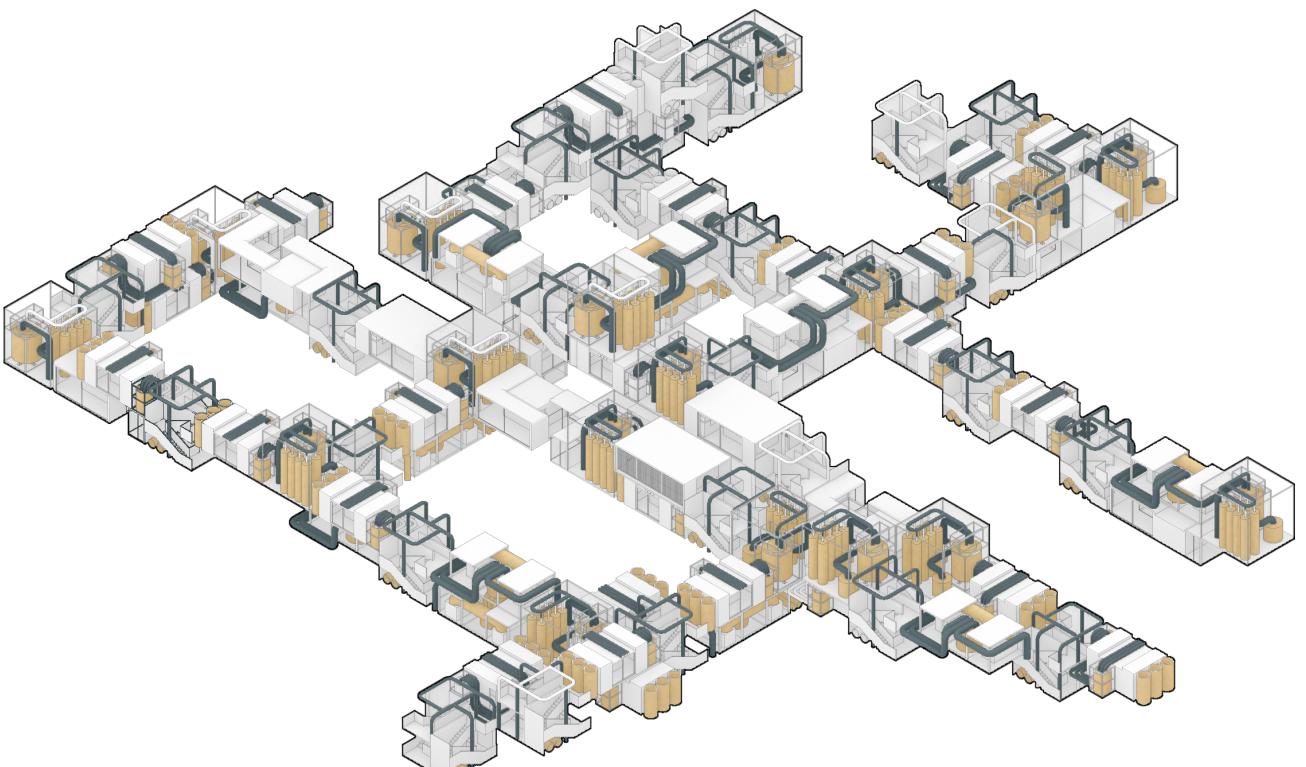
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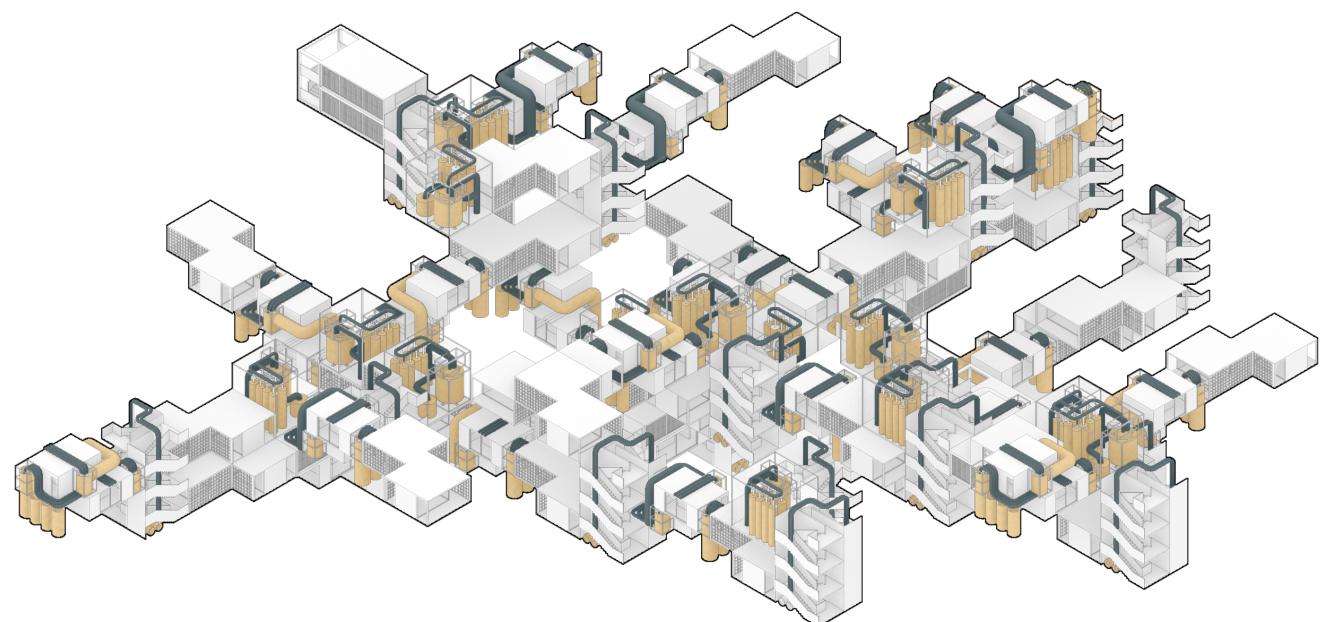
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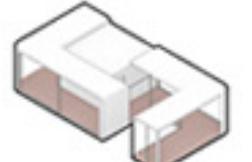
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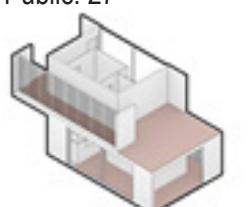
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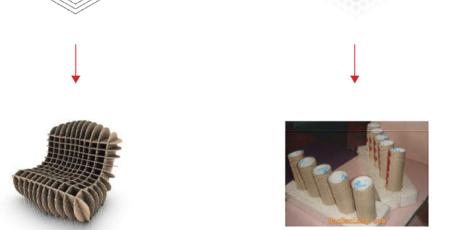
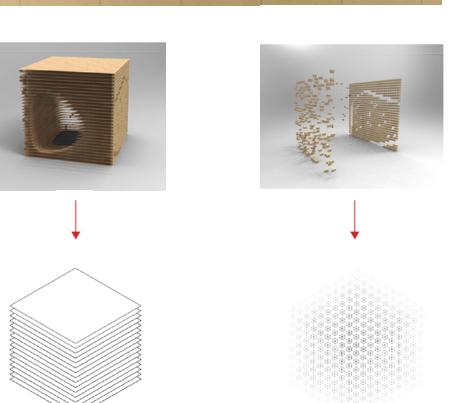
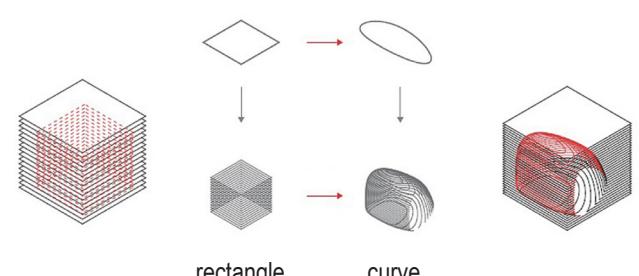
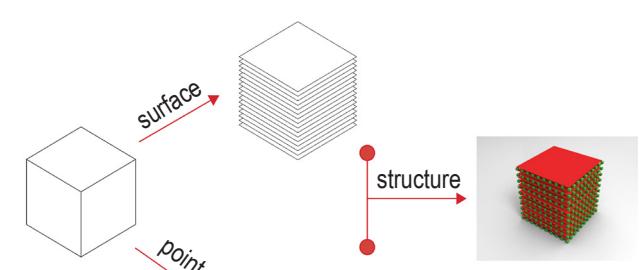
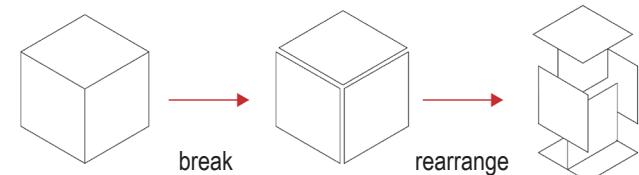
## Lightwood House

An Entity Construction for Stay and Rest

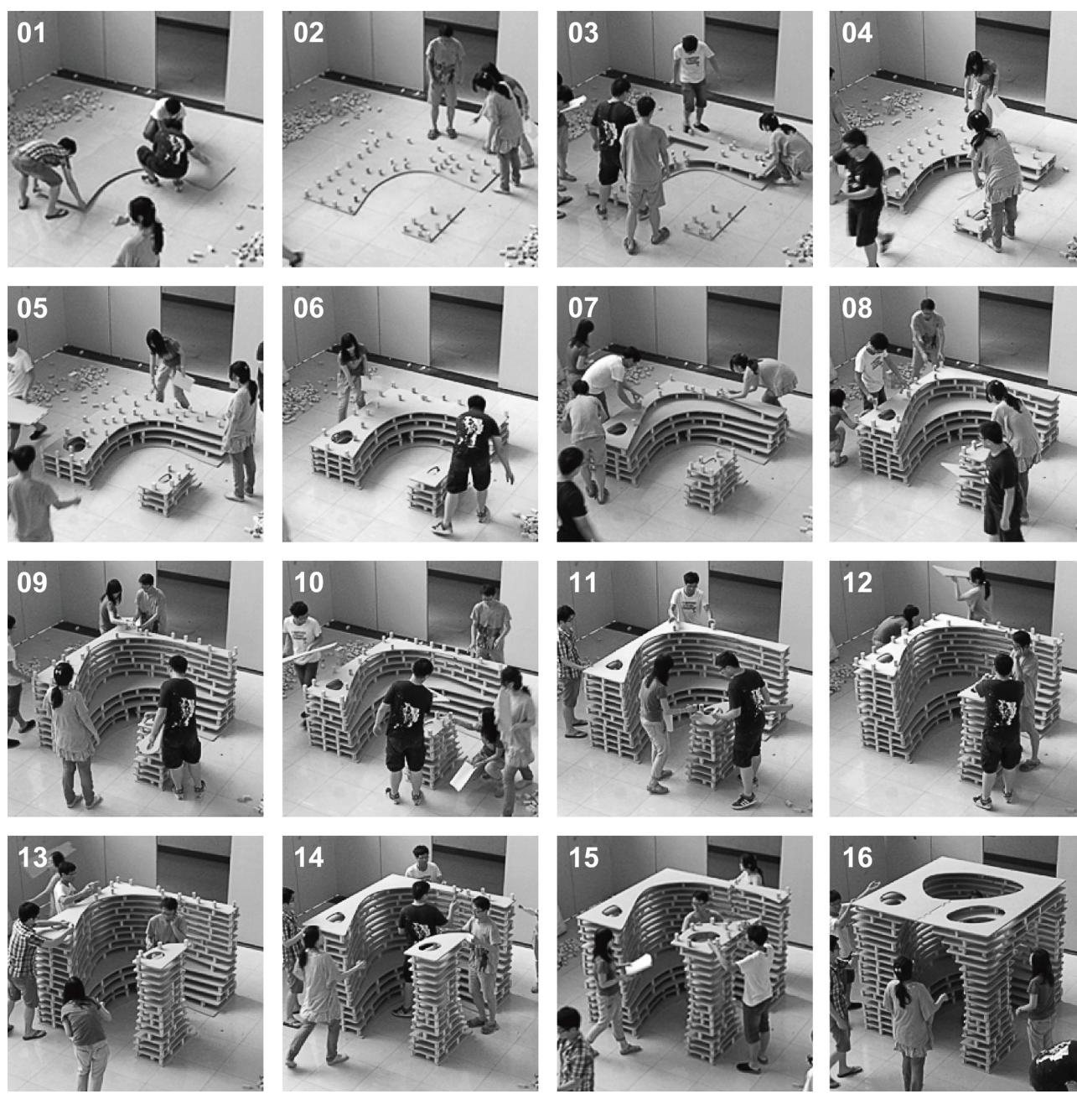
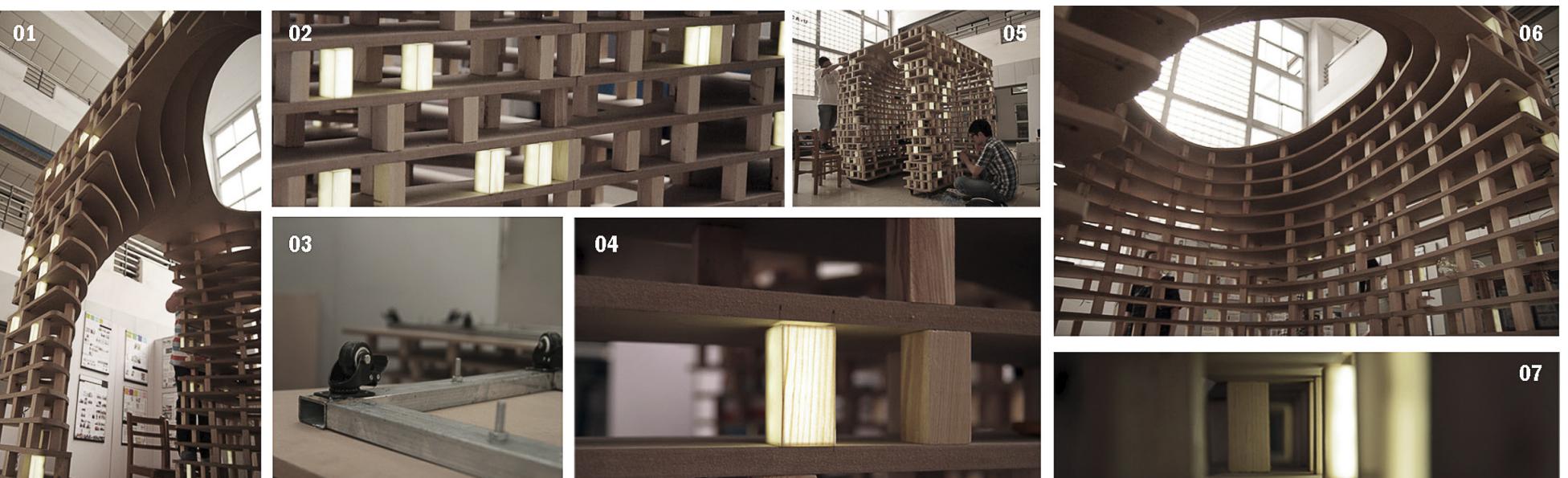
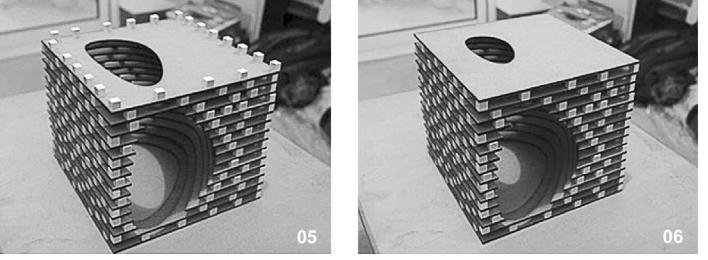
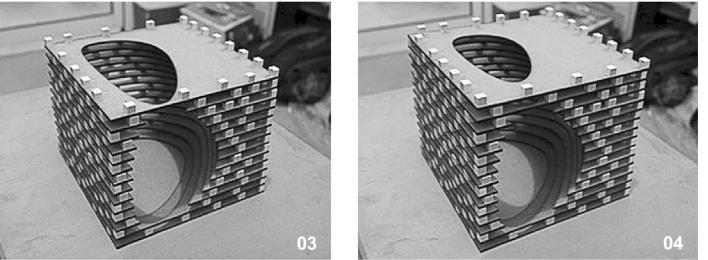
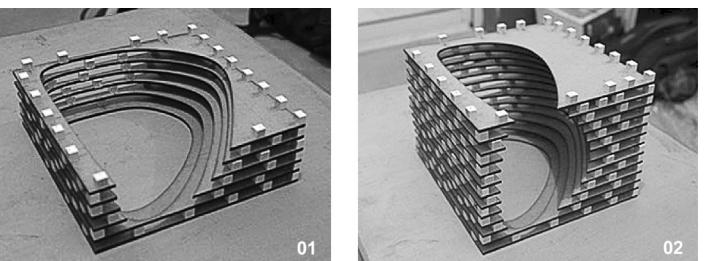
Instructor: Hua Wu, Lei Zhang

Internship Group Project (My Contributions: designed and programmed the scripts for model, and assembled the model)

Summer 2021



form logic



Wood board

LED lighting boxes

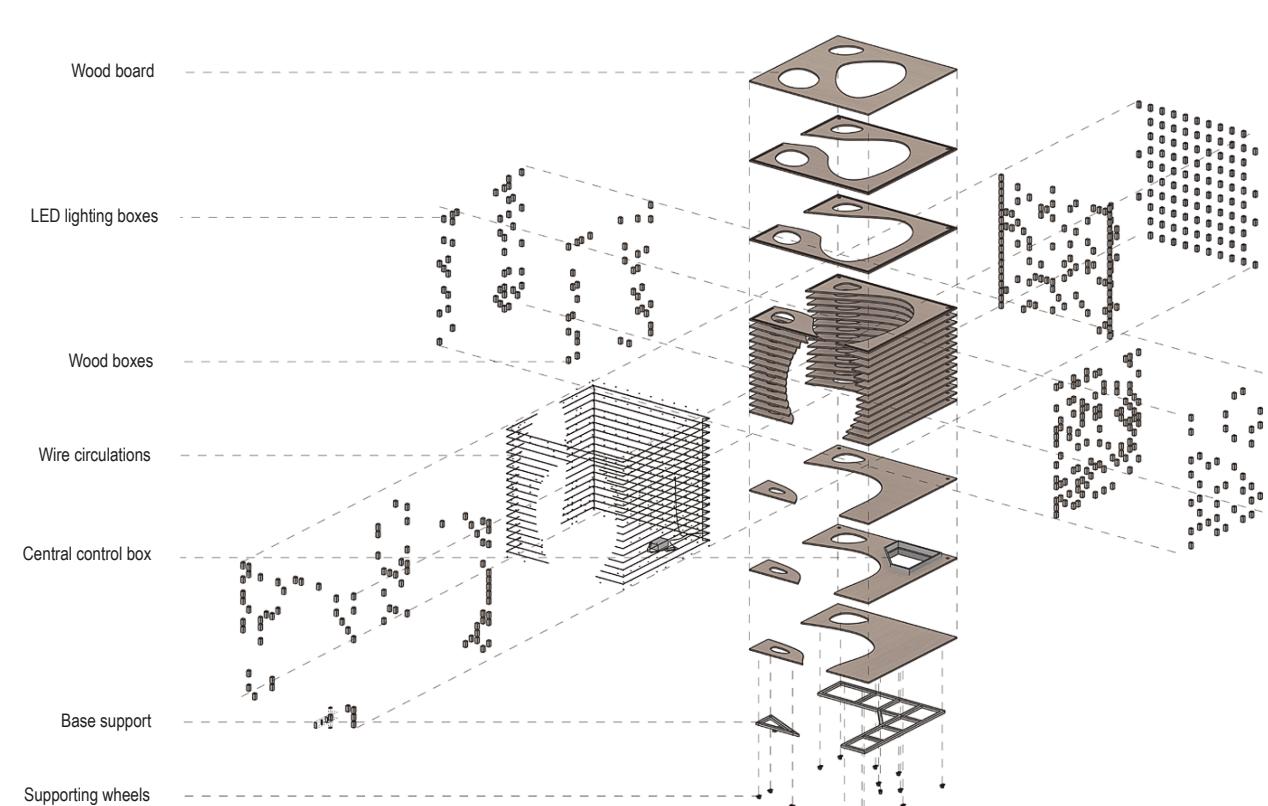
Wood boxes

Wire circulations

Central control box

Base support

Supporting wheels



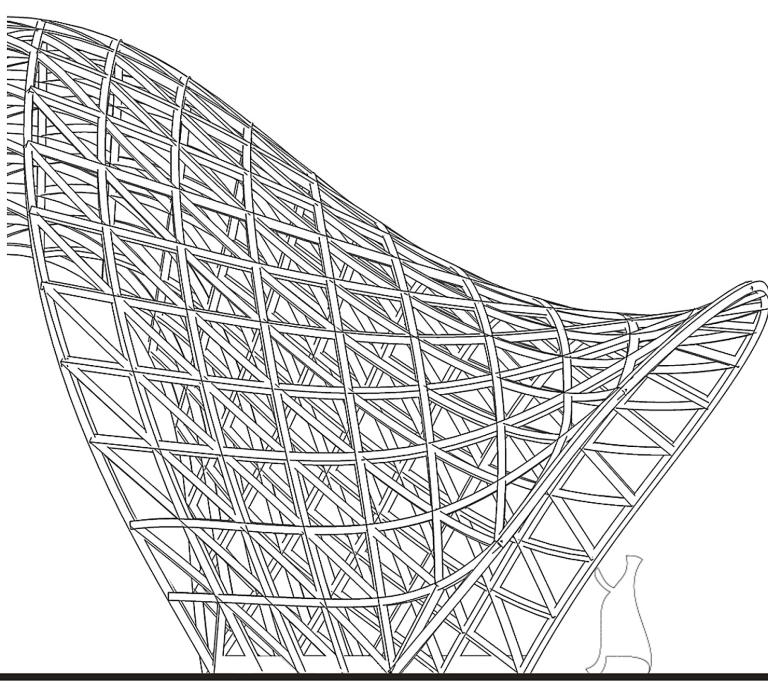
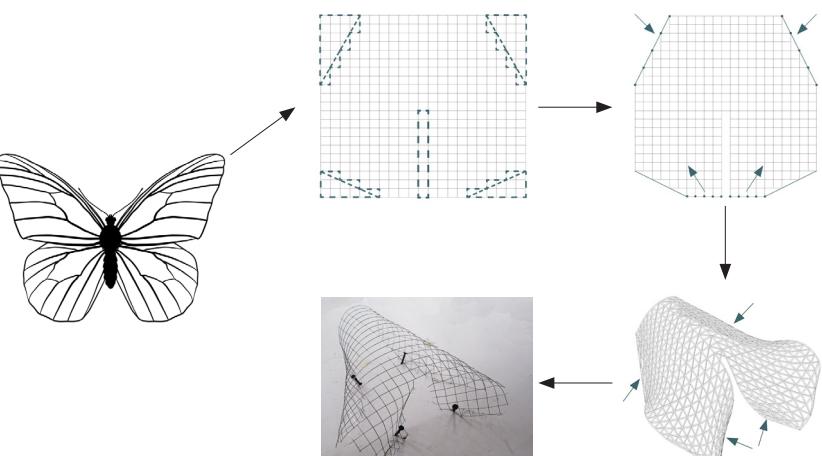
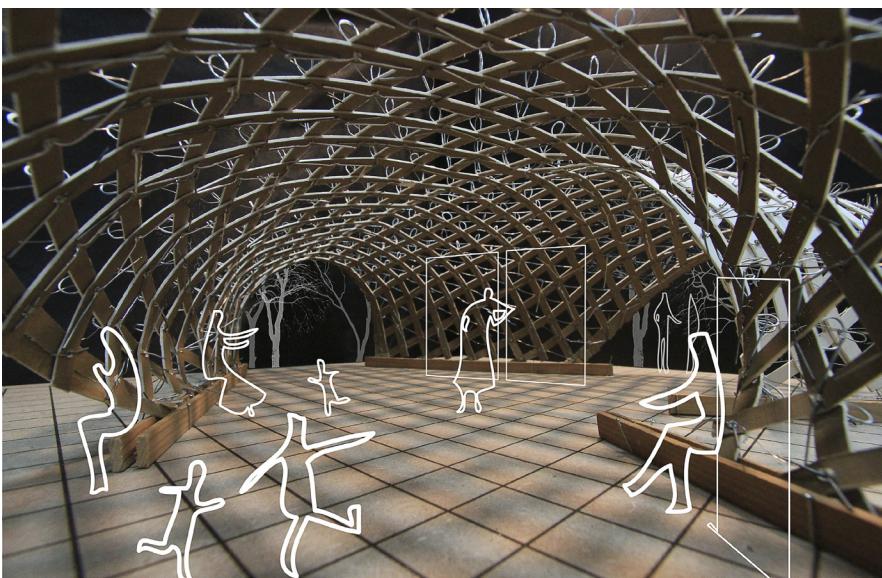
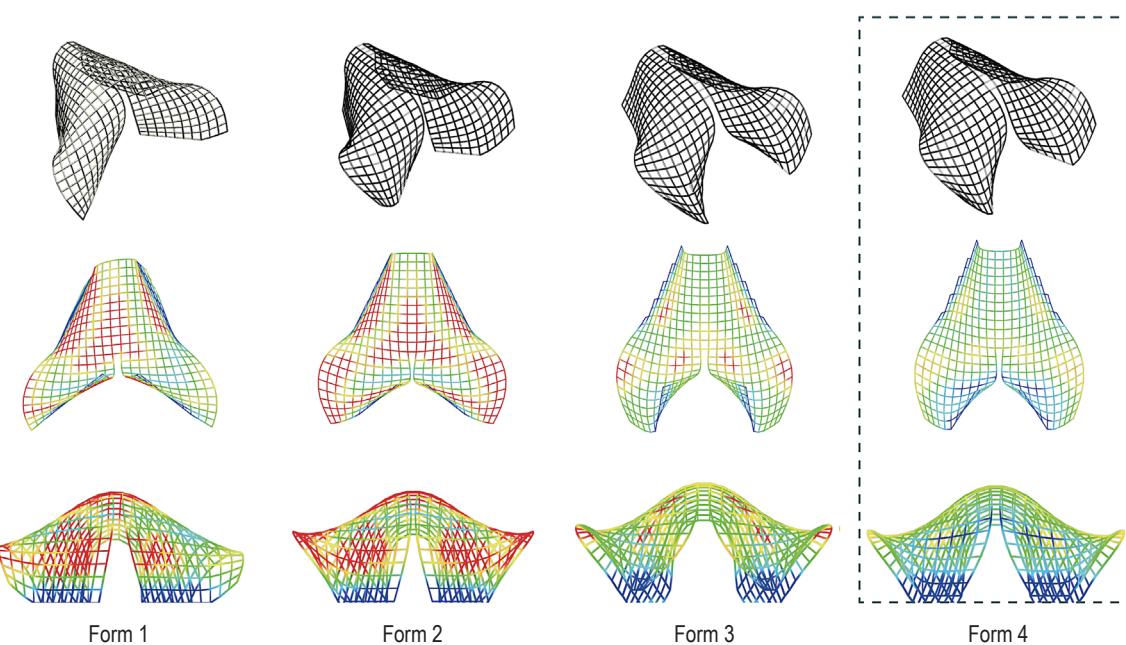
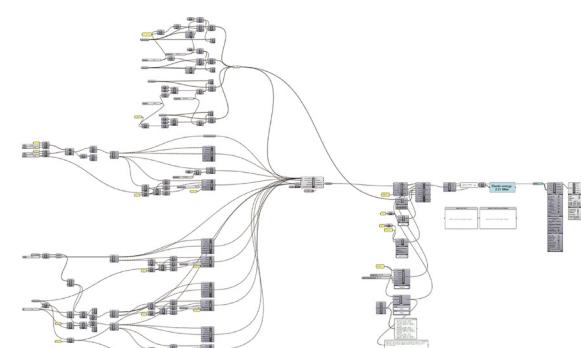
**Leisure Pavilion**

A Parametric Design Test for Light and Tangible Material

Instructor: Li Chen, Niya Jones

Individual Work

Summer 2020

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Fitness: Displacement (cm)

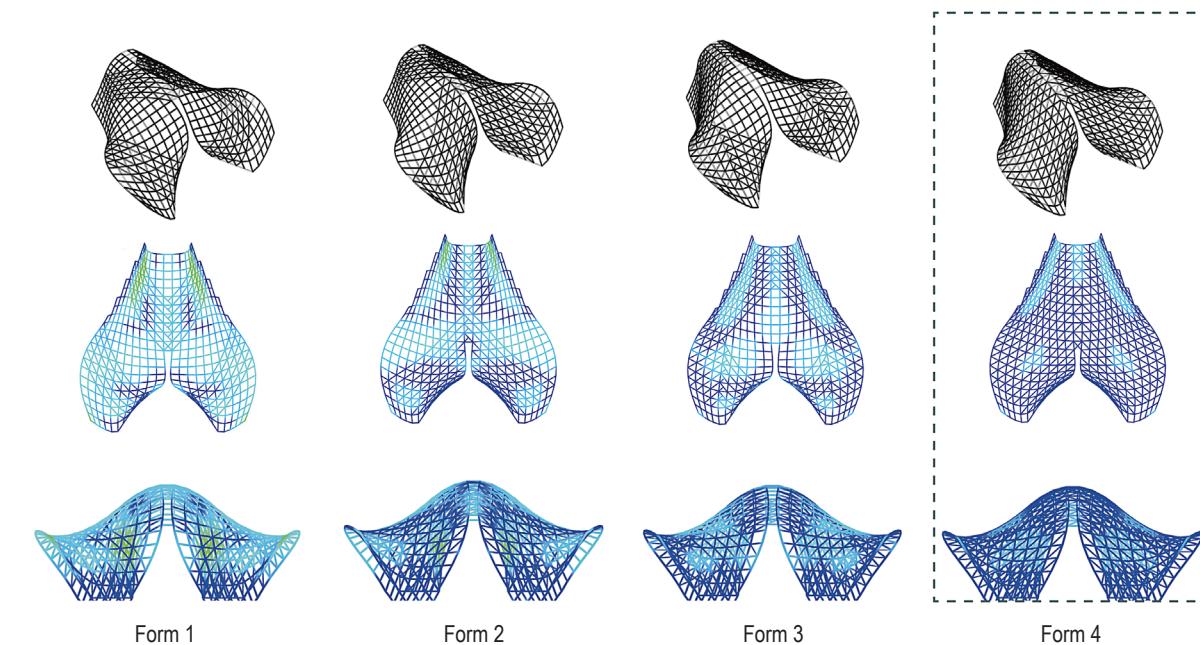
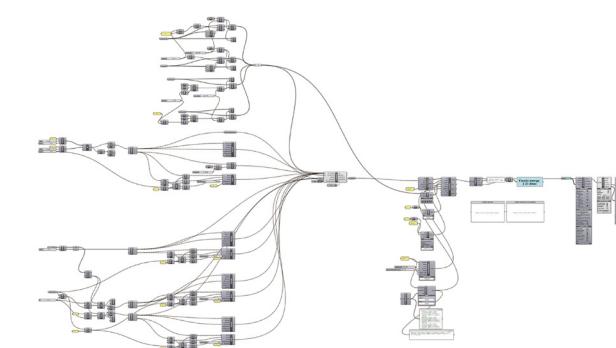
Loads: Gravity &amp; Line= 1KN/m

Support Points: 4 Choosen Lines around with 5,5,5,5 points.

Material Selection: Wood E:1050 [kN/cm<sup>2</sup>]

Beam Cross Section: Square 5\*6cm

Bracing Cross Section: Square 5\*4cm

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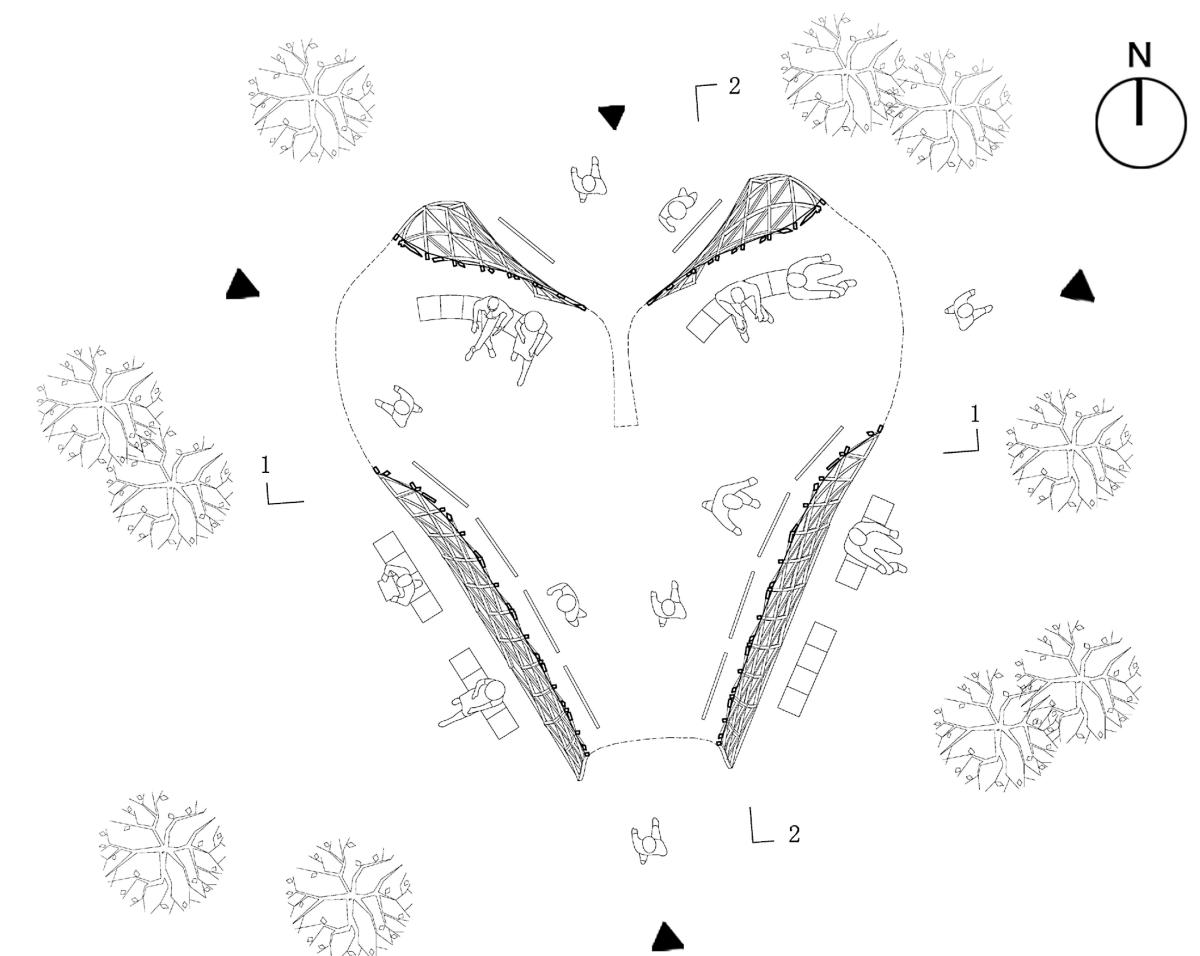
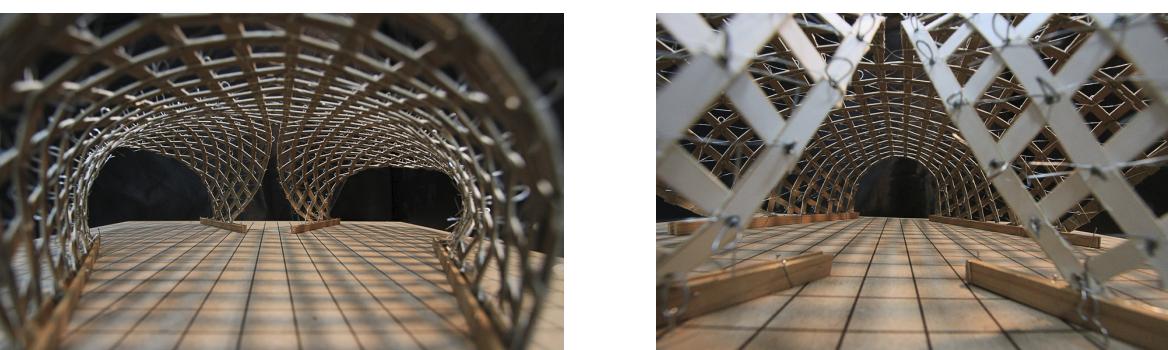
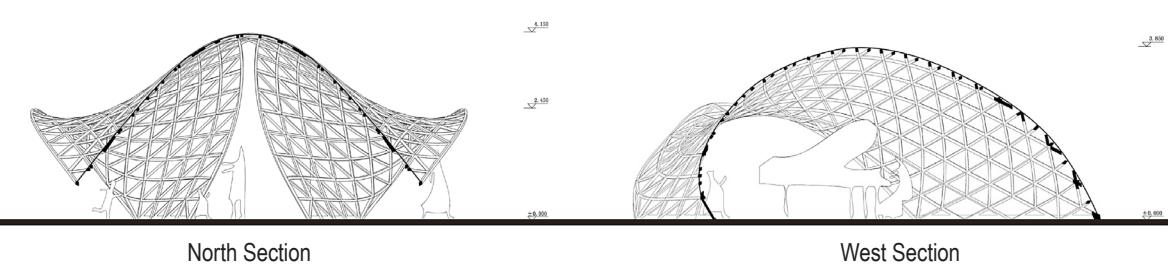
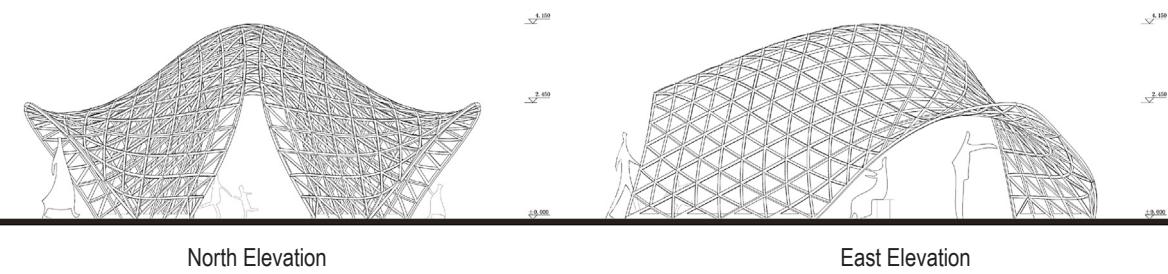
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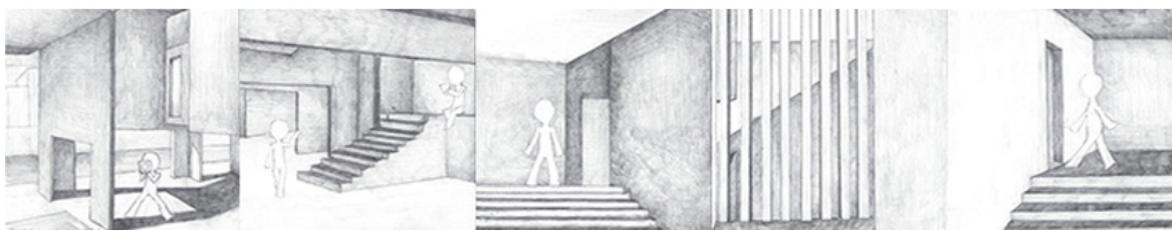
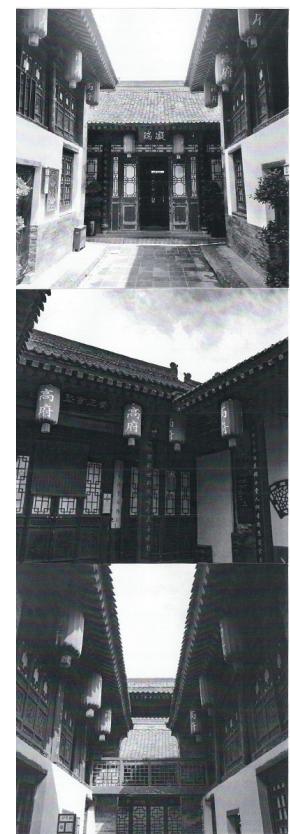
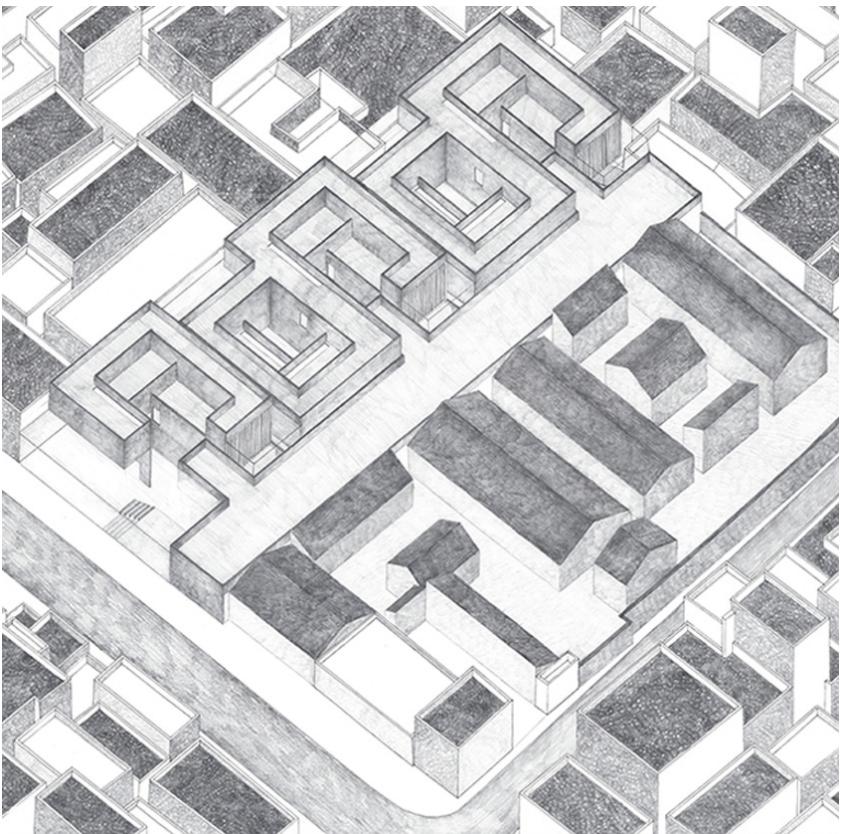
# Bamboo Valley

A Renovation Project to Find the Beauty in Nanjing Ancient Town by HandSketch

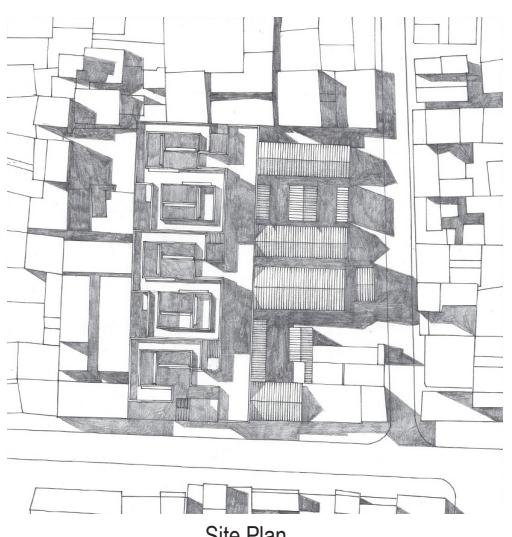
Instructor: Huan Sun

Individual Work

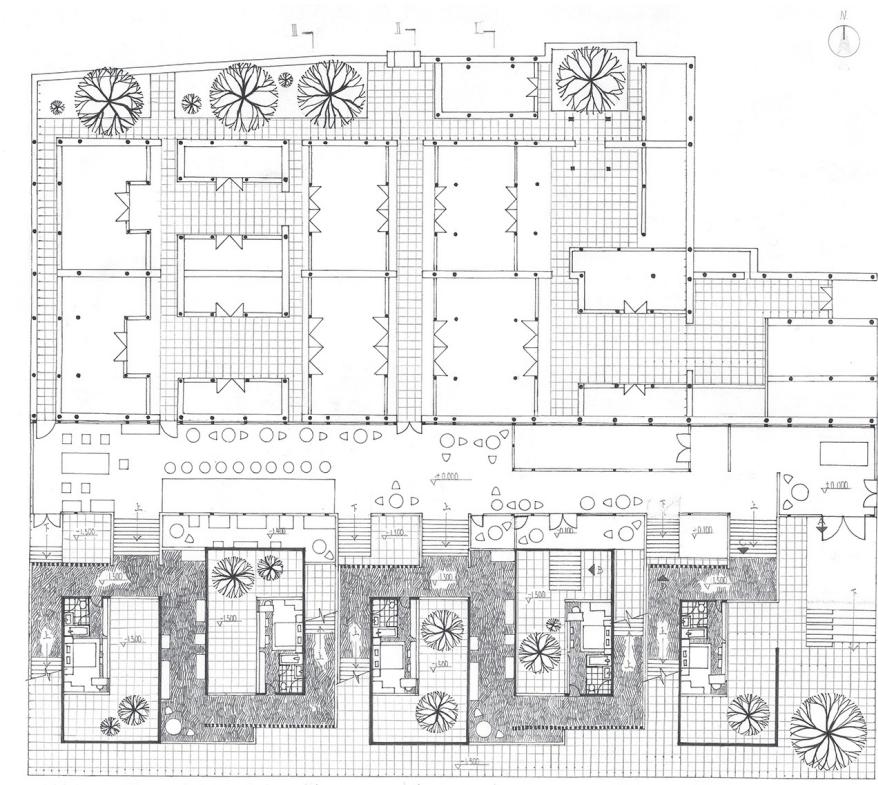
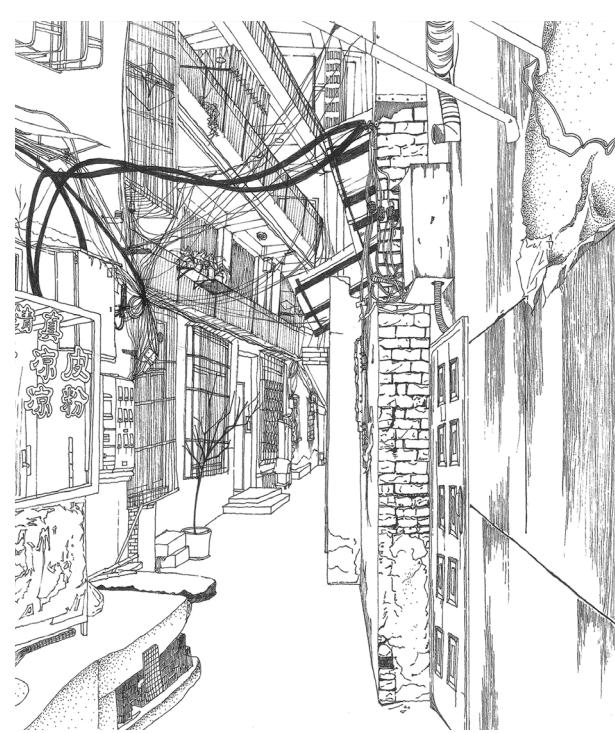
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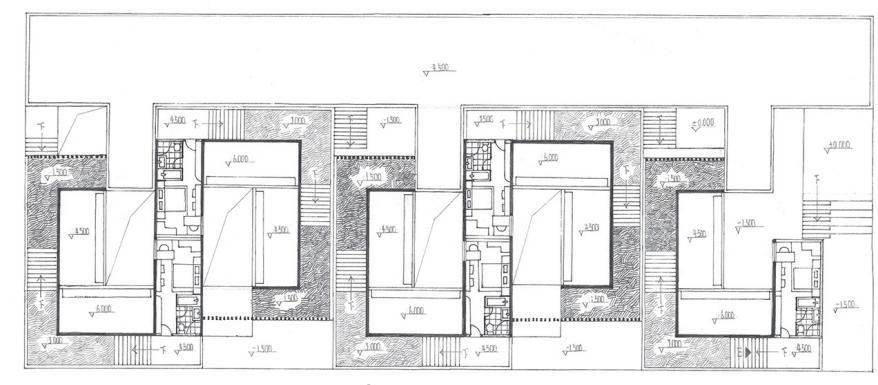
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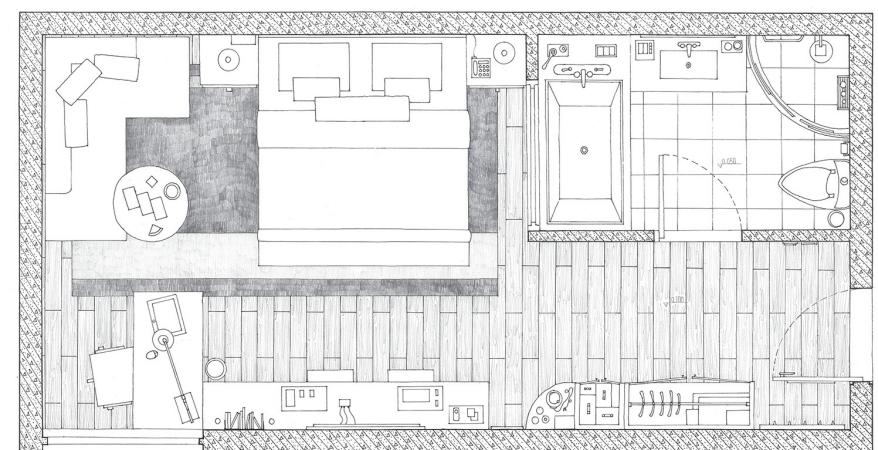
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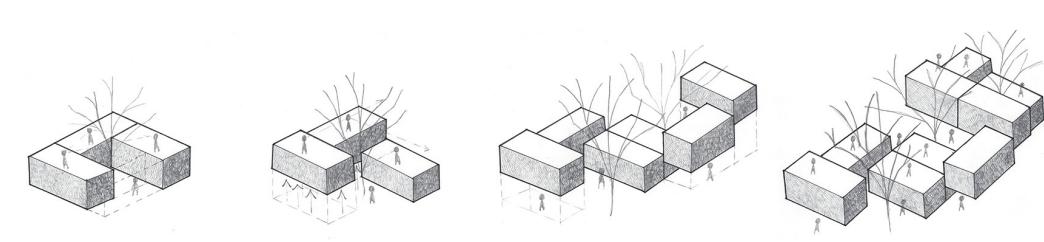
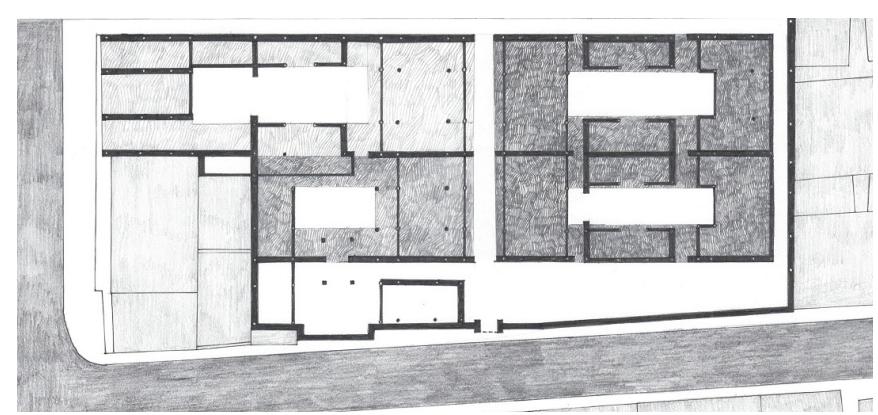
First Floor Plan



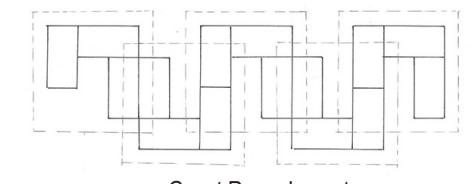
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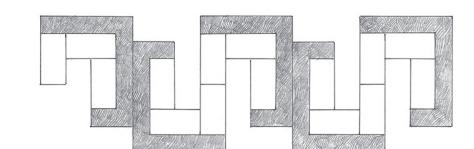
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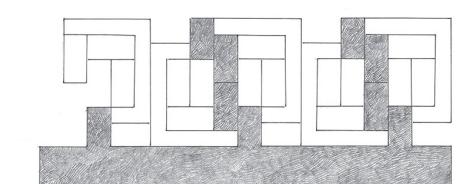
Form Analysis



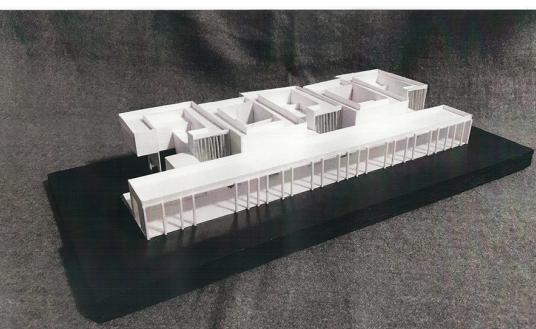
Guest Room Layout



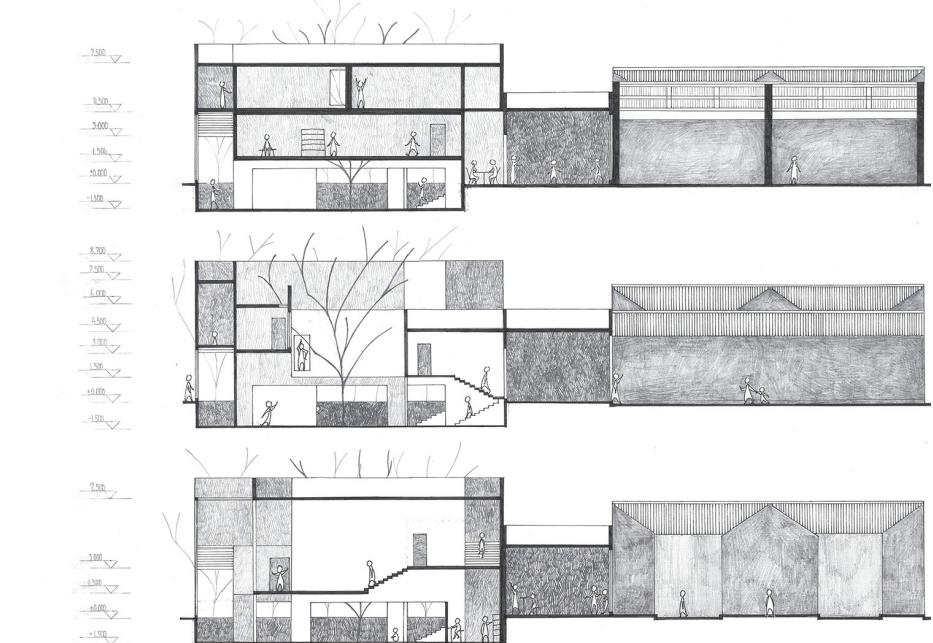
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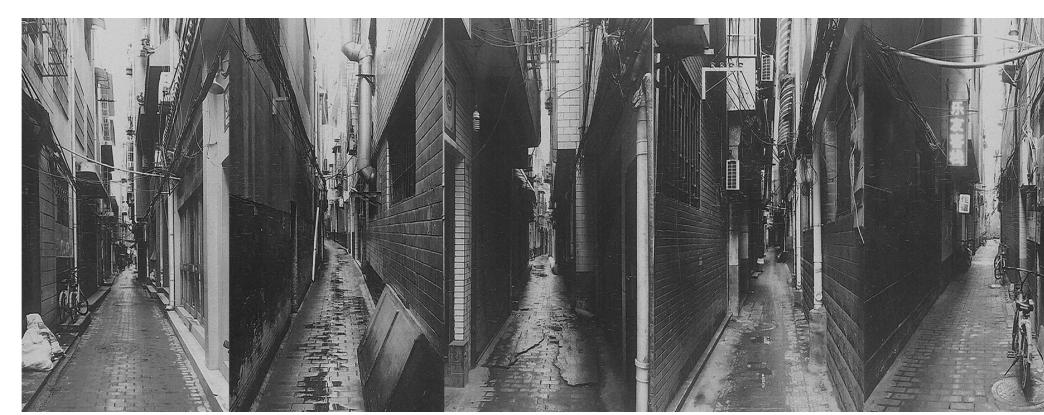
Public Space Layout



Section Analysis 1-4



Sections 1-3



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<https://resume.fangfranksun.com>

## EDUCATION

### University of Virginia

Bachelor of Science, major in Architecture, minor in Computer Science

- Teaching Assistant of *ARCH 1010: Lessons of the Lawn* (undergraduate level, 20 students) **Charlottesville, VA**  
Led discussion sessions; provided feedback and grading on weekly assignments about architectural history  
➤ Teaching Assistant of *PLAC 4010: Neighborhood Planning Studio* (graduate level, 16 students) **May 2023 (Expected)**  
Conducted weekly workshops on ArcGIS, Rhino and Illustrator skill development, organized meetings with architecture firms

### Summer Research on Architecture Criticism

A 6-week program, mentored by Rhode Island School of Design Prof. Markus Berger

**Charlottesville, VA**

**May 2023 (Expected)**  
**2022.08 - 2022.12**

**2021.09 – 2022.05**

**Online**  
**2020.06 – 2020.08**

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE IN ARCHITECTURE

### Studios Architecture

Design Intern

- Modeled physical building and site models with 3D printing and laser cutting for two ongoing health institution projects  
➤ Created 6 Grasshopper script tests to present the proof of concept of automatic plan generator and parking space formation

**Washington D.C.**

**2022.12 – 2023.01**

### Perkins&Will

Design Intern

- Benchmarked UVA Gilmer Hall and Chemistry Building Renovation projects and created Revit templates  
➤ Designed the loading dock and back entrance for Omega Building & Key West Building in Rockville and rendered images with Photoshop and Enscape  
➤ Proposed 8 logo-inspired iterations of parametric shelf for Perkins&Will DC office with Rhino, Grasshopper, and Dynamo

**Washington D.C.**

**2022.05 - 2022.08**

### HDR Inc.

Design Intern

- Drew analysis diagrams and recreated unit models for a children's hospital with AutoCAD, Rhino, Revit, and Photoshop  
➤ Designed 10 parametric façade iterations for a Schematic Design project with Rhino, Grasshopper, Revit, and Dynamo  
➤ Created 2 Grasshopper plugins (via Python) for employees to conveniently generate solids only using curves

**Arlington, VA**

**2021.12 - 2022.01**

### AZL Architects

Research Assistant

- Made 7 iterations of entrance design for Lei House (a traditional Chinese townhouse) renovation project with Rhino and AutoCAD  
➤ Refined rendered plans and sections for Ruralation Museum Hotel (a hot spring resort hotel) for media publication with AutoCAD, Photoshop, and Lumion  
➤ Digitalized the hand drawings of sections and plans of a 2011 project (China International Practical Exhibition of Architecture No.4 House) with AutoCAD

**Nanjing, China**

**2021.01 – 2021.03**

### MAD Architects

Design Intern

- Helped develop the circulation plan & created sections and rendered images for 2 floors of Jiaxing Civic Center  
➤ Produced rendered drawings of the public courtyard and urban context and proposed 3 iterations for Pingtan Art Museum  
➤ Improved the UI design of the firm's website (<http://www.i-mad.com>)

**Beijing, China**

**2020.07 - 2020.12**

### Roboticsplus.AI (Shanghai) Co., Ltd

Project Assistant

- Programmed robotic arm movements for intelligent construction and assisted in developing CNC routers with C++ and Java  
➤ Designed outdoor installations for the Jindi Office Building project and formulated models for 3D printing

**Shanghai, China**

**2020.05 - 2020.08**

### Tongji Architectural Design (Group) Co., Ltd.

Design Intern

- Helped develop the ground space of Pinghe Secondary School in Suzhou and drew the plans and perspective sections of the building to present to the clients  
➤ Drew processing diagrams with AutoCAD; helped design external façades of Tongji University Creative Research Institute

**Shanghai, China**

**2020.02 - 2020.05**

## OTHER EXPERIENCES

### Alibaba Group Holding Limited

Java Developer Intern

- Co-established the online Internet of Things (IoT) system for Xi'niu's On-demand Production Factory  
➤ Co-developed an automated customer management system for Xi'niu Factory to improve efficiency  
➤ Reprogrammed label printers and embroidery machines with Java and ZPL to allow remote operations

### Beijing ByteDance Technology Co., Ltd

Lark Frontend Technical Services

- Provided debug and customization services for users of Lark Open Platform (workplace apps developer)  
➤ Fixed Lark interface compatibility issues and reviewed a part of Lark 4.0 updates before it went online  
➤ Co-initiated Lark Knowledge Base and used Java & Python to encode and categorize previous solutions

### Hummer Education

Founder & CEO

- Expanded the company's target customers from children to chess lovers of all ages  
➤ Produced and published 270+ tutorial videos on YouTube, TikTok, and Bilibili (more than 300,000 subscribers in total)  
➤ Devised chess-playing website and WeChat mini-program with Node.js and React

### APPLE Inc.

System Test Design Lead

- Debugged 20 issues in macOS 10.14, including 3 severe security alerts with privacy and message missing  
➤ Collected and provided feedback on the user experience of the iOS 11 Application Program Interface

### Aparkers (Smart Parking Development)

Initiator & Leader

- Led a team of 8 to identify the causes of parking problems in Shanghai  
➤ Crafted a smart parking plan and visualized the parking space design with Rhino and BIM  
➤ Developed and installed signal detection devices in existing parking lots to shorten waiting time  
➤ Created an app providing parking guidance and promoted it in AppStore and Google Play  
➤ Received the patent (**201721325329.0**); the project was acquired by ETCP, a leading company in intelligent parking.

### Publications

- Sun, F. (2022). Zhouzhuang, Suzhou: The Change of Residential Space in Jiangnan Water Ancient Towns due to the Continuously Rising Commercialization. *Journal of Planning Education and Research*. (in press)  
➤ Sun, F. (2022). "Metabolism Tragedy" – The Deconstruction of Nakagin Tower. *Journal of Architectural Education*. (under review)  
➤ Sun, F. (2022). How to Modify the Time of Yellow Traffic Lights in order to Improve Traffic Efficiency? *International Journal of Mathematics*. (submitted)  
➤ Sun, F. (2022). Doppler Effect in a Circular Motion – Relationship Between Frequency Received and the Corresponding Angle. *American Journal of Physics*. (submitted)

### Fellowship & Awards

- 2022 Erwin-Ramsey Fellowship (awarded to 1 undergraduate student at UVA School of Architecture each year)  
➤ 2022 Perkins&Will Summer Internship Design Competition, 2nd Prize  
➤ 2022 Competition to Renovate Historical Buildings in Nanjing, 2nd Prize

### Skills

**Programming Languages:** Java, Python, MATLAB, HTML

**Visualization Software:** Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, V-ray, Lumion, Enscape, Keyshot

**Drafting and Modeling Software:** Rhinoceros, Grasshopper, Sketchup, AutoCAD, ArcGIS, Revit, BIM

**Prototyping Tools:** 3-D Printing, Laser Cutting, CNC Printing, Wood/Bamboo cutting

**Interests:** chess (National Master), tennis, Rubik's cube, biking, photography, drawing

**Hangzhou, China**

**2021.06 – 2021.09**

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**2021.03 – 2021.06**

**Shanghai, China**

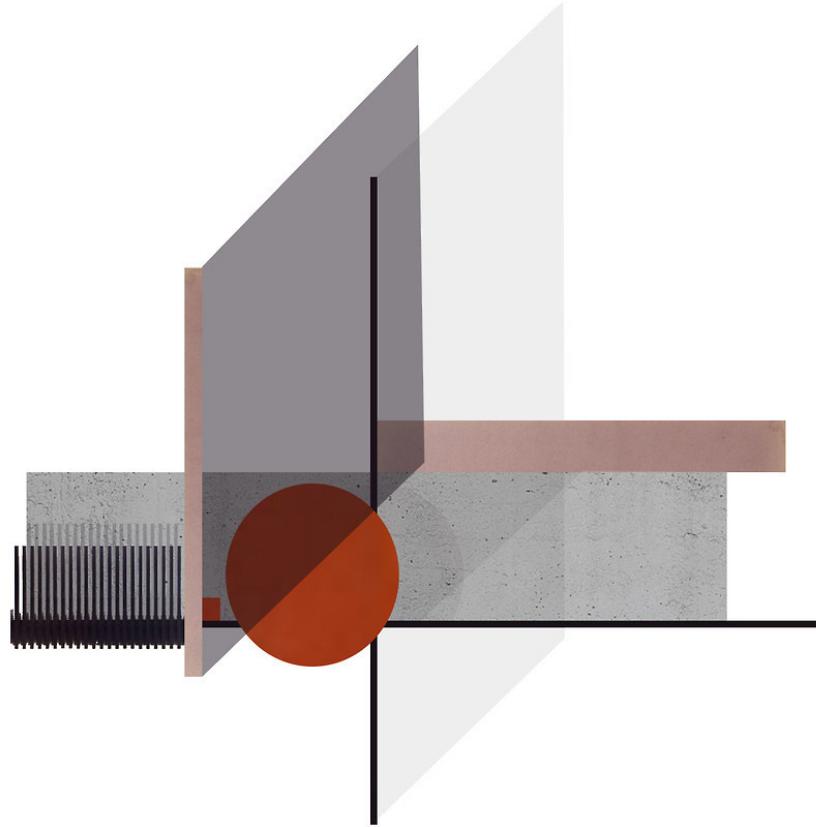
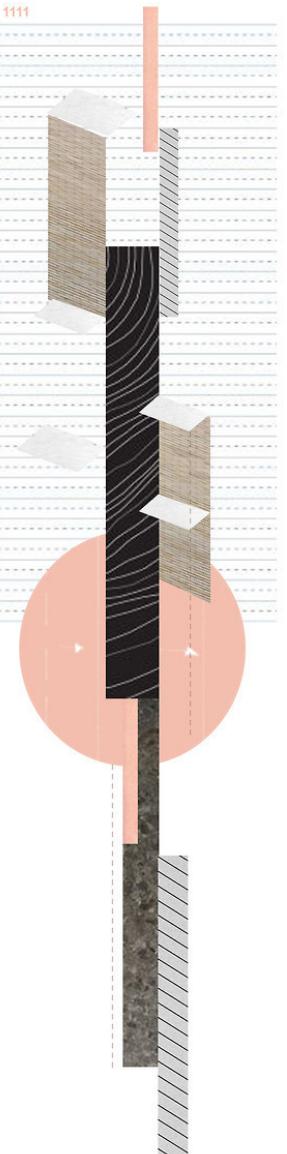
**2019.04 – Now**

**Shanghai, China**

**2017.04 - 2018.10**

**Shanghai, China**

**2016.10 - 2018.03**



Fang (Frank) Sun  
Selected Works from 2019 - 2023