

# Jannat Al-Tohr

A retreat from everyday life



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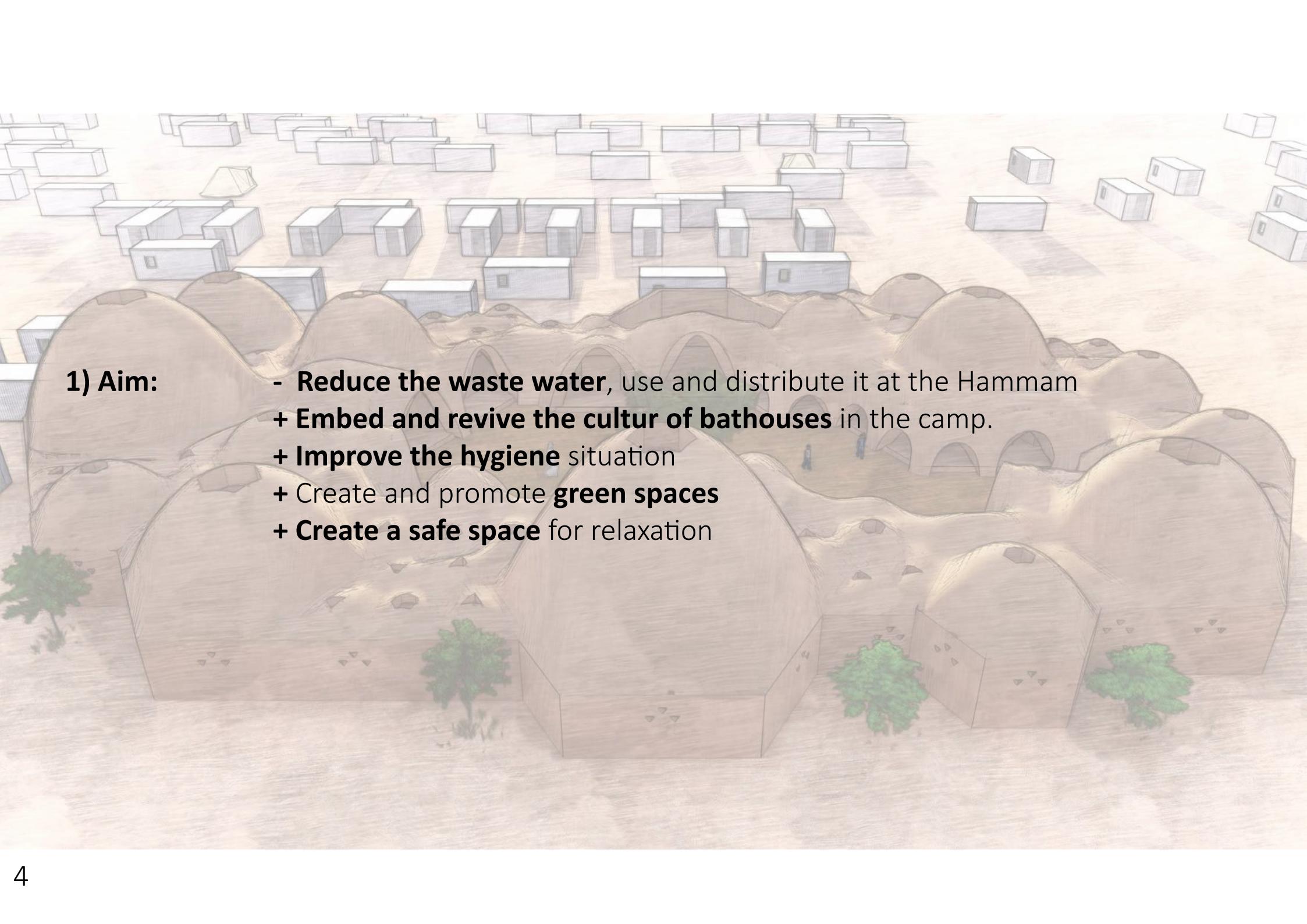
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## **1) Vision:**

“Our aim is to create a recreational space in which washing facilities will be available to residents. A way of escaping the camp towards a calming environment.”

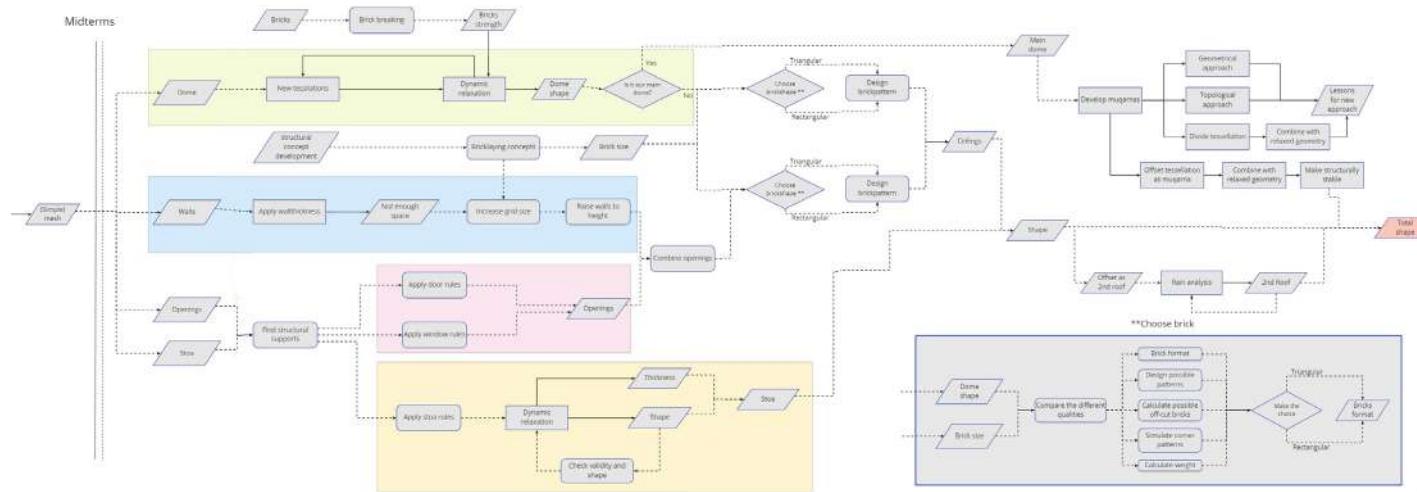
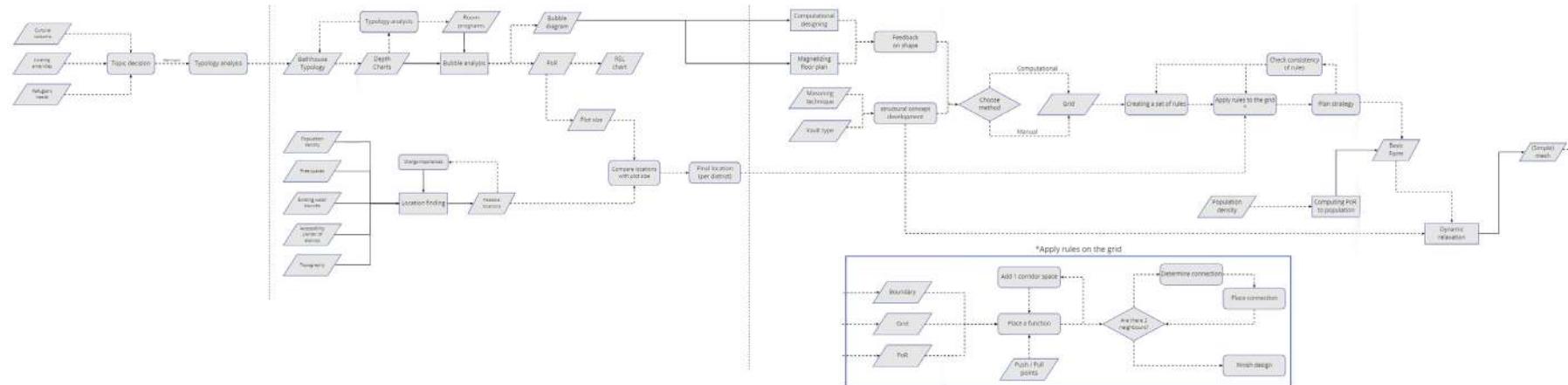




## 1) Aim:

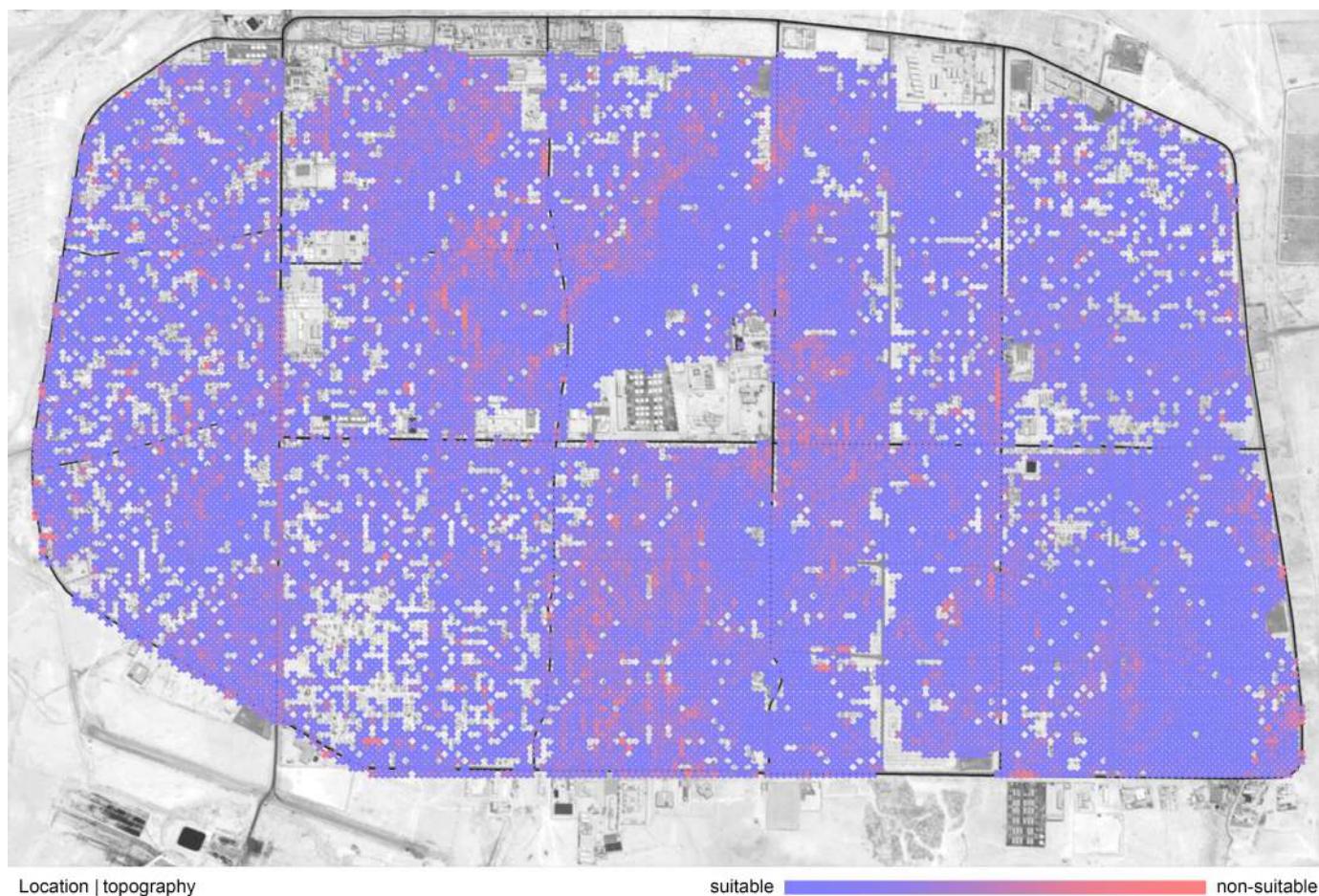
- **Reduce the waste water**, use and distribute it at the Hammam
- + **Embed and revive the cultur of bathouses** in the camp.
- + **Improve the hygiene** situation
- + Create and promote **green spaces**
- + Create a safe space for relaxation

# Flowchart:



**1) Placing:** Selection of location based on:

- **Density**
- **Walking distance**
- Water
- Other recreation
- Topology

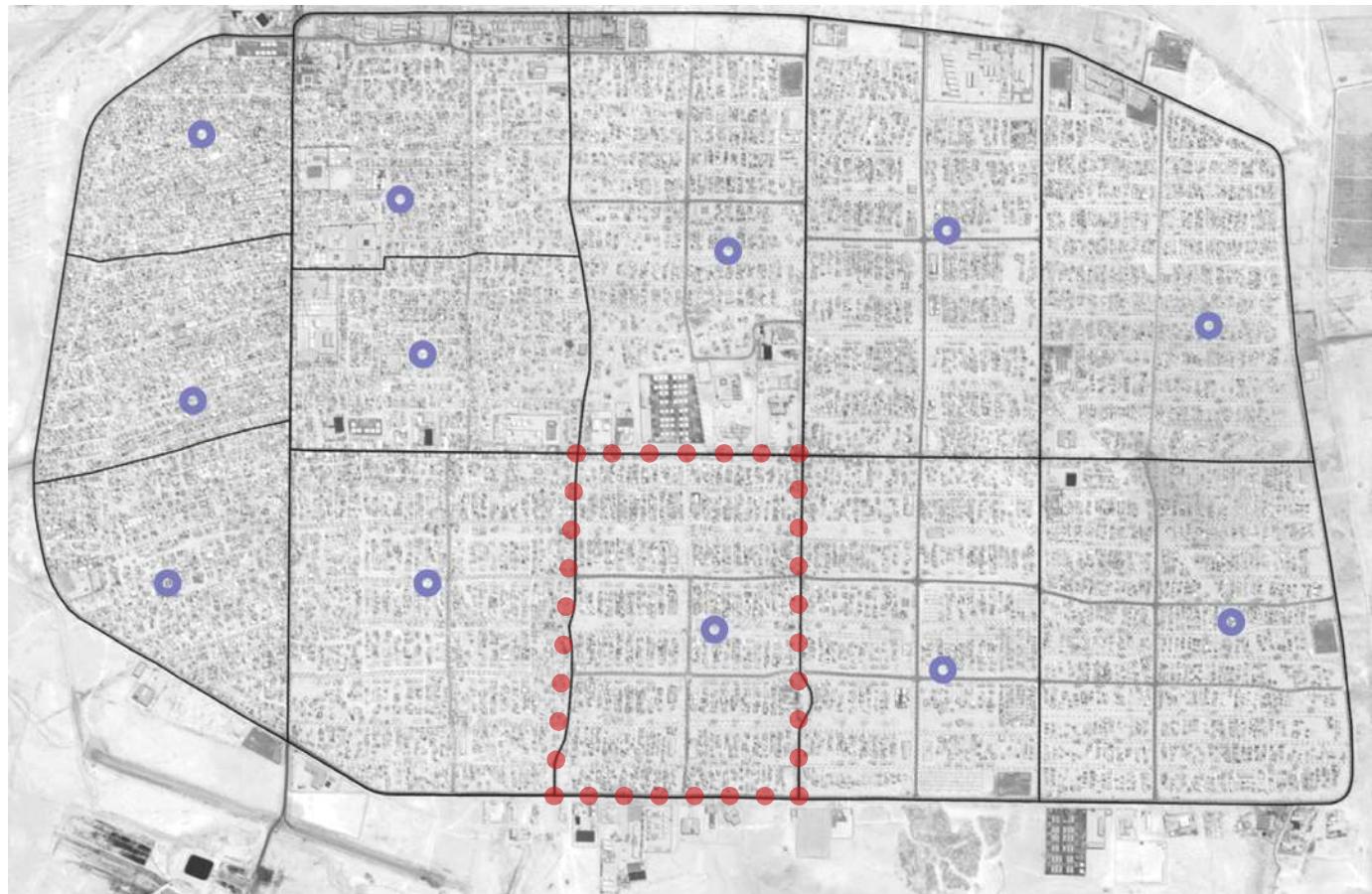


**1) Placing:** most suitable location for a bathhouse per district



## 1) Placing:

- Selected locations per district (different hammam size)
- Selected district  
(population is close to the average population per district)



## 1) Placing:

- The plot is located at a crossing. This allows a better urban integration and approachability
- Entrance at the corner



**1) Plot size:** 40\*60 meter



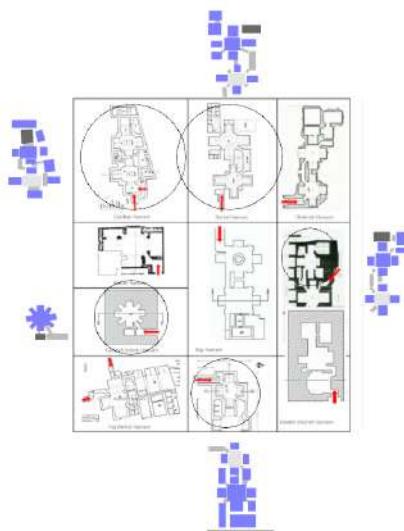
## 2) Configuration

traditionalism vs. modernism- or both ?

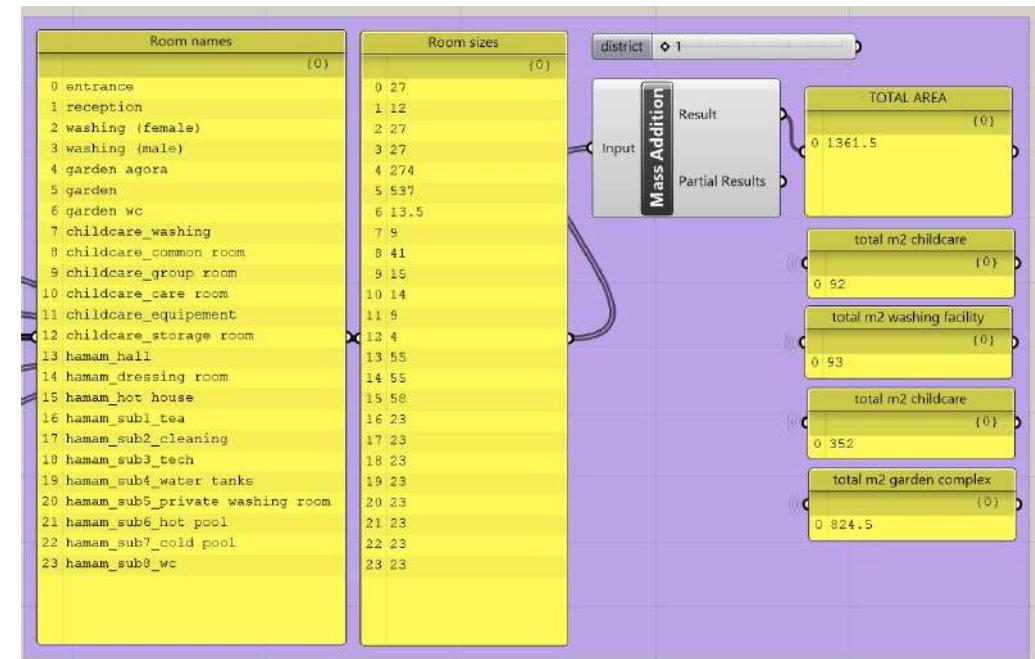
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population density



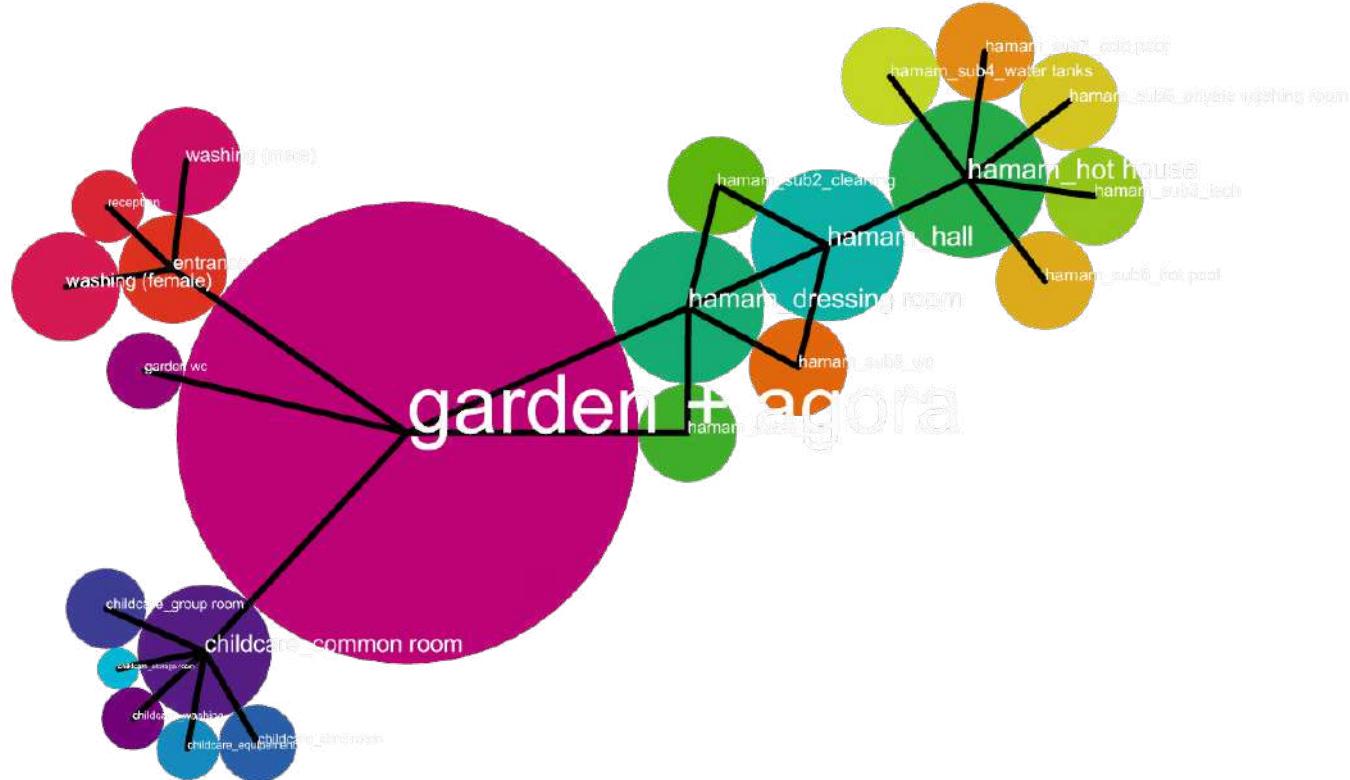
traditional typology analysis



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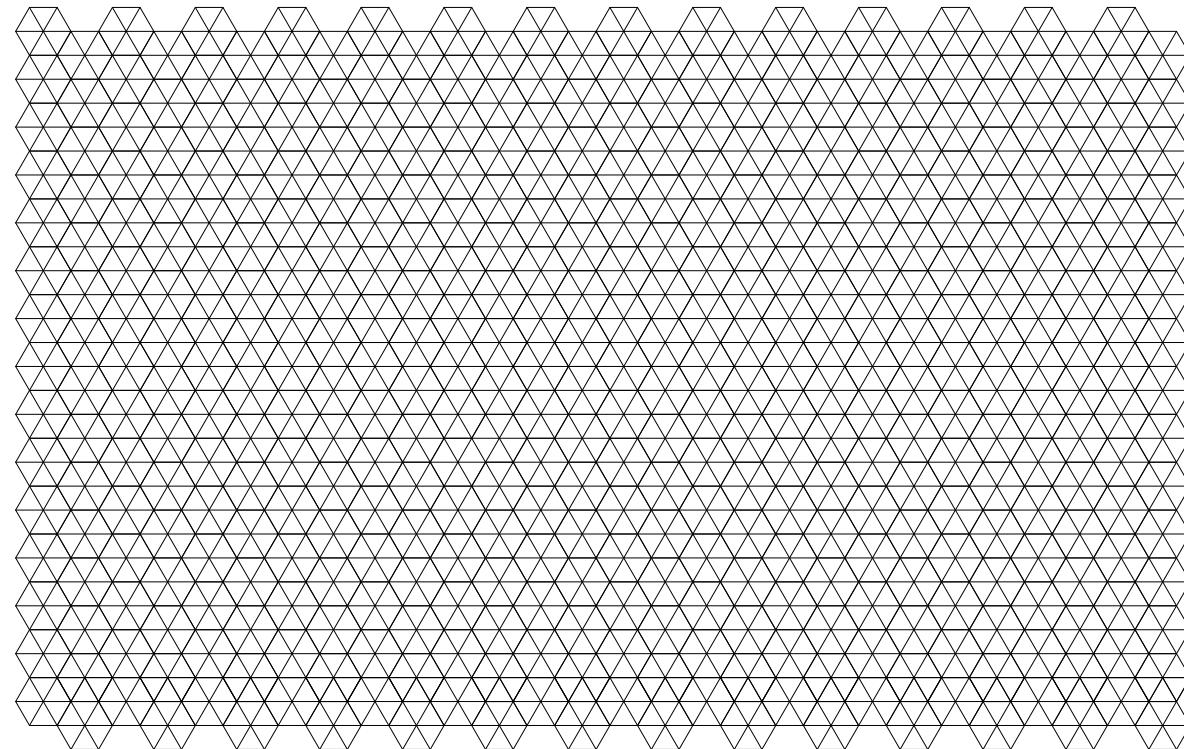
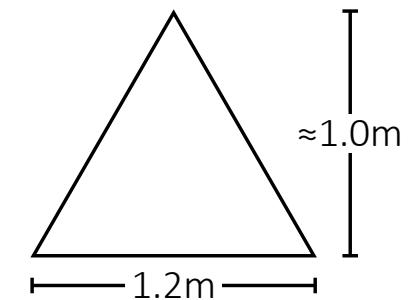
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## 2) Triangular Grid

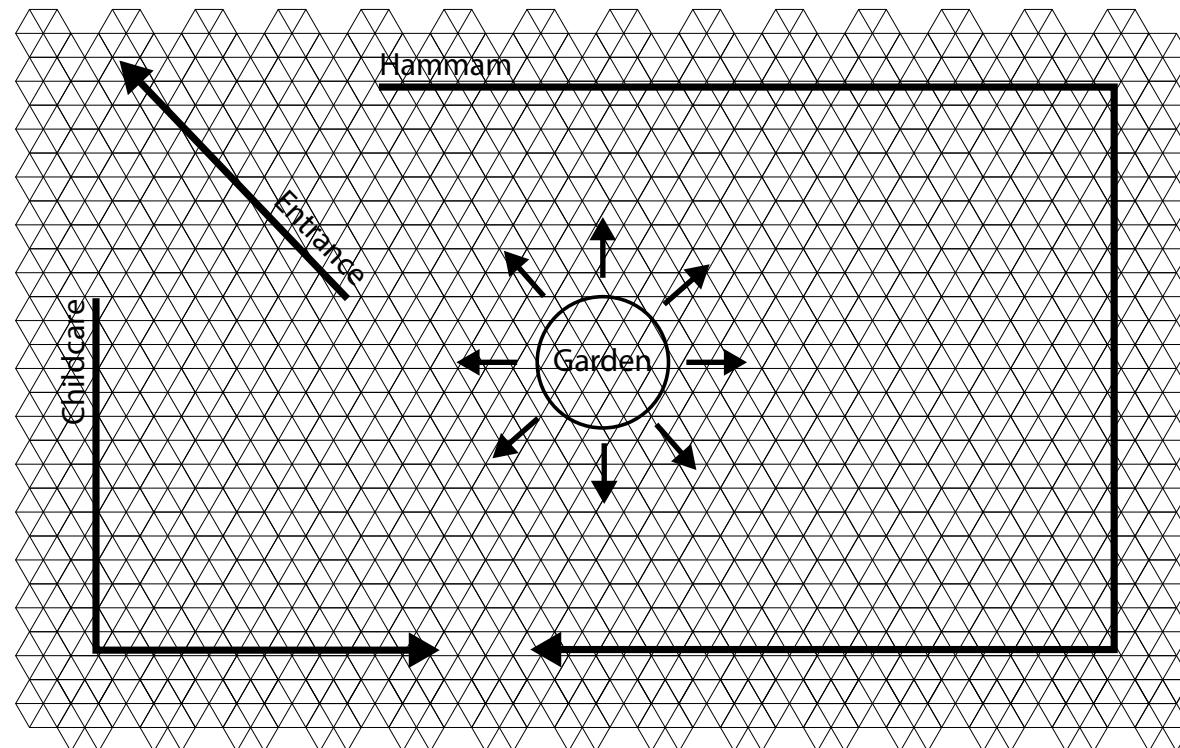
Rooms => Hexagons

- + Compatible with domes shapes
- + Topology of Hammam



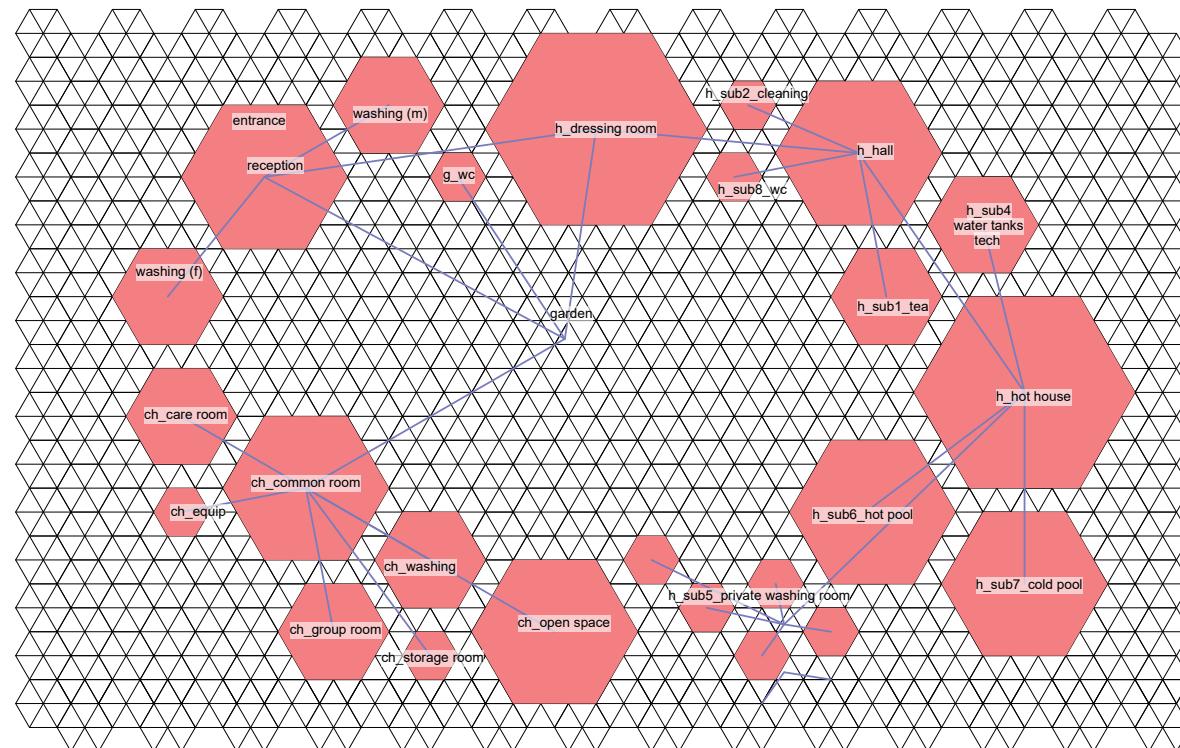
## 2) Placing Functions

- Define attraction point of entrance
- Hammam and childcare are placed in opposite directions from the entrance
- The center point of the plot acts as push point to achieve the biggest garden possible



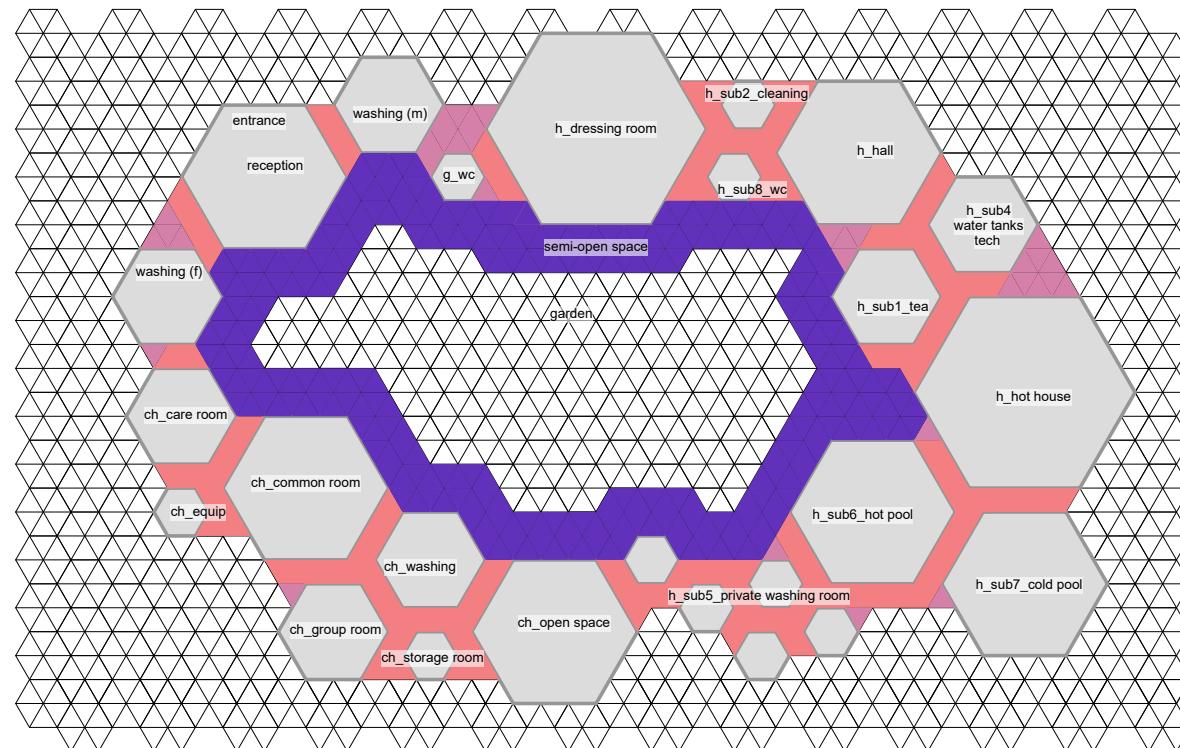
## 2) Functions & Connections

- The functions are hosted in hexagonal rooms, placed on the grid
- The rooms have distance of one corridor, which is one row of triangles
- The connections of the functions from the bubble diagram is take into consideration

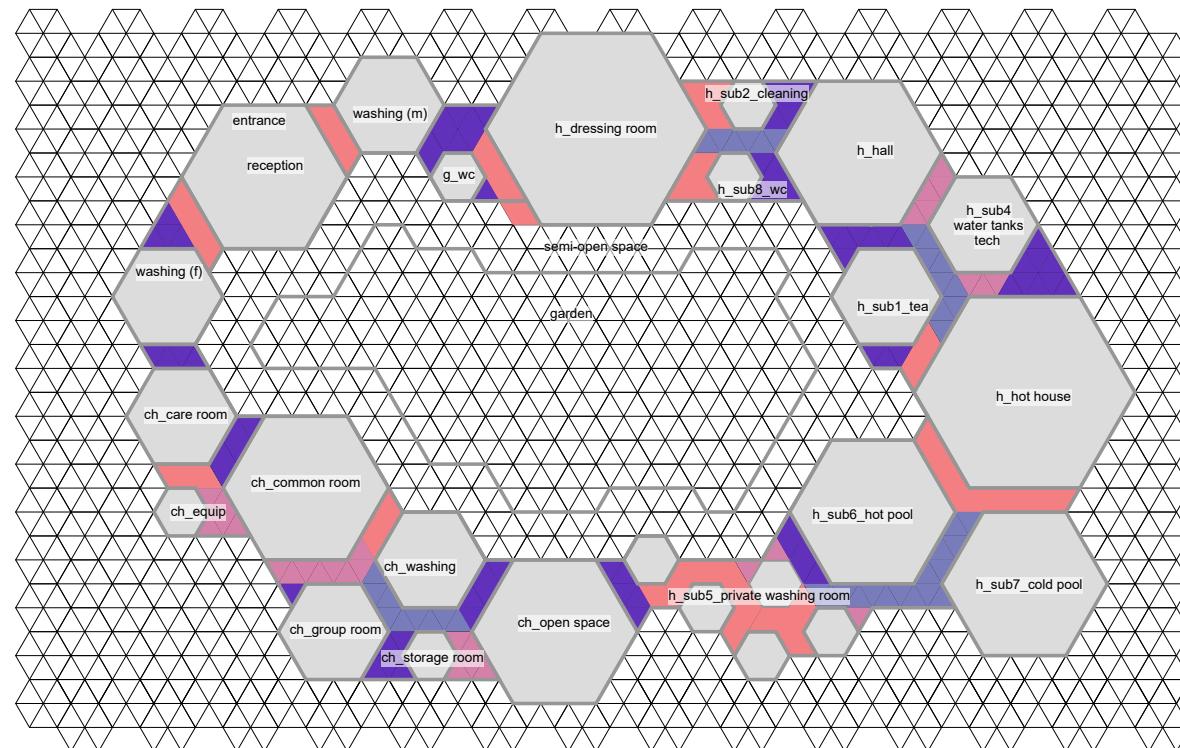
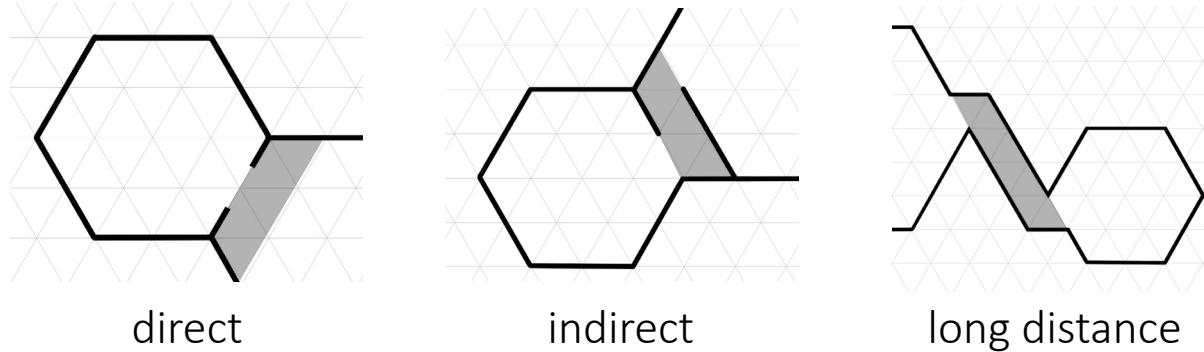


## 2) Corridor System

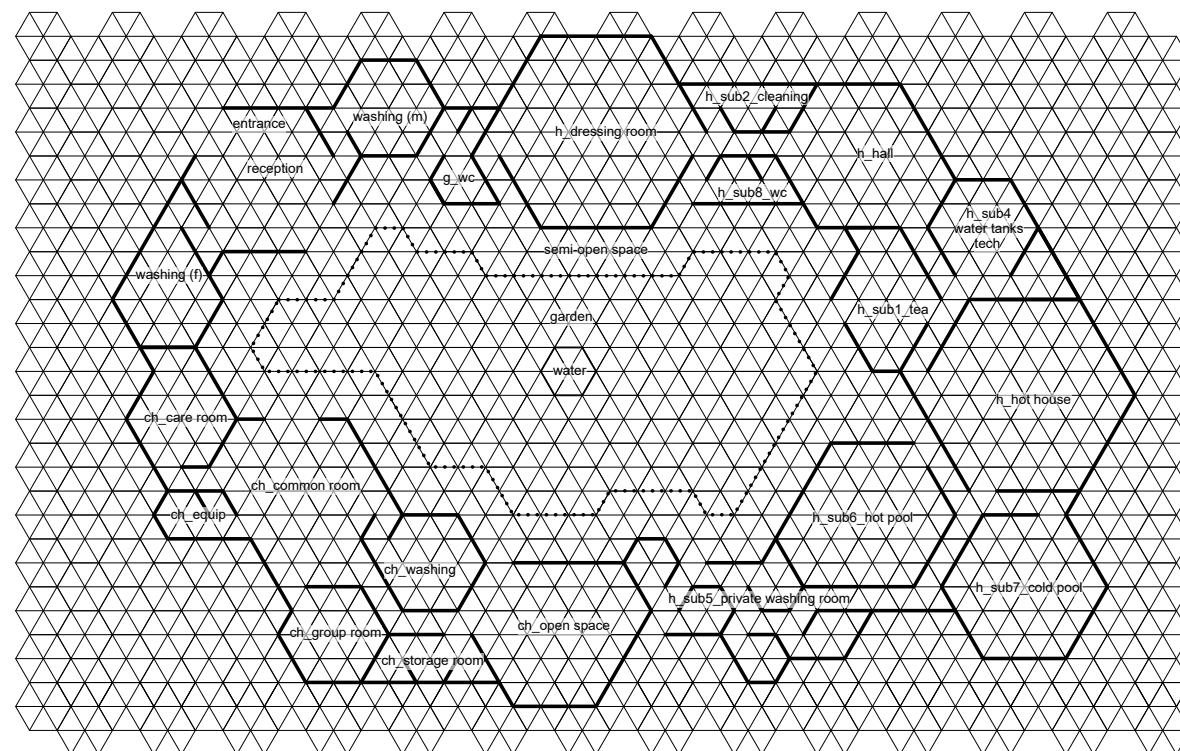
- A corridor system is developed between the faces of the Hexagon
- The system is extended further to remove the dead corners
- A semi-open space is added around the garden



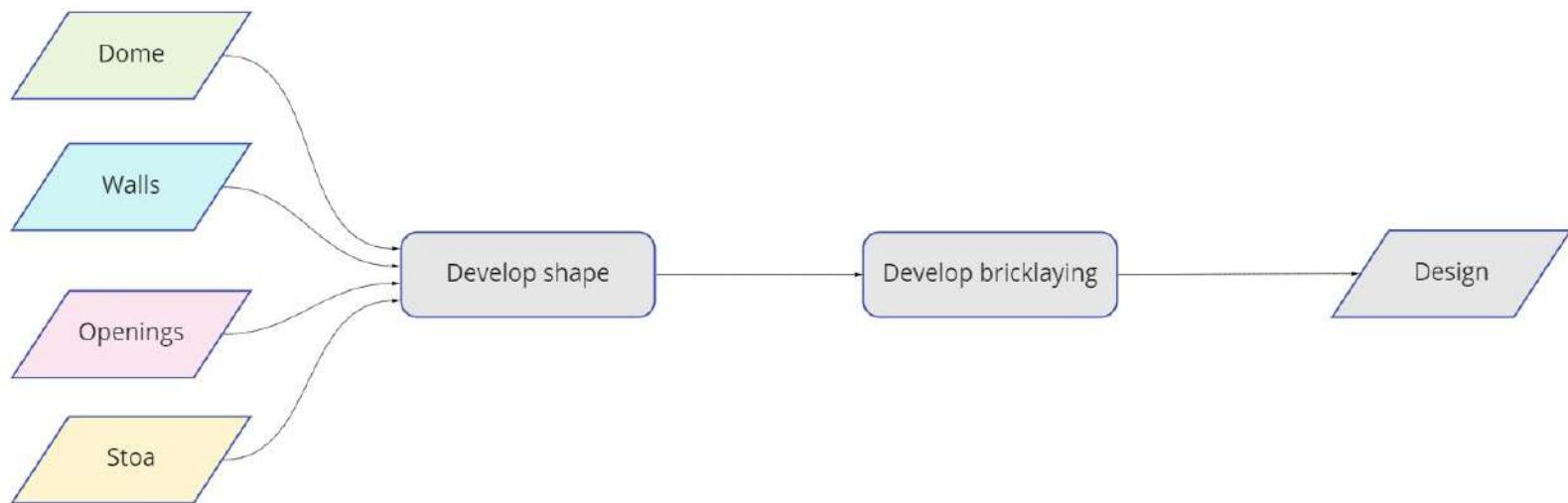
## 2) Corridor Rules



## 2) Configuration!



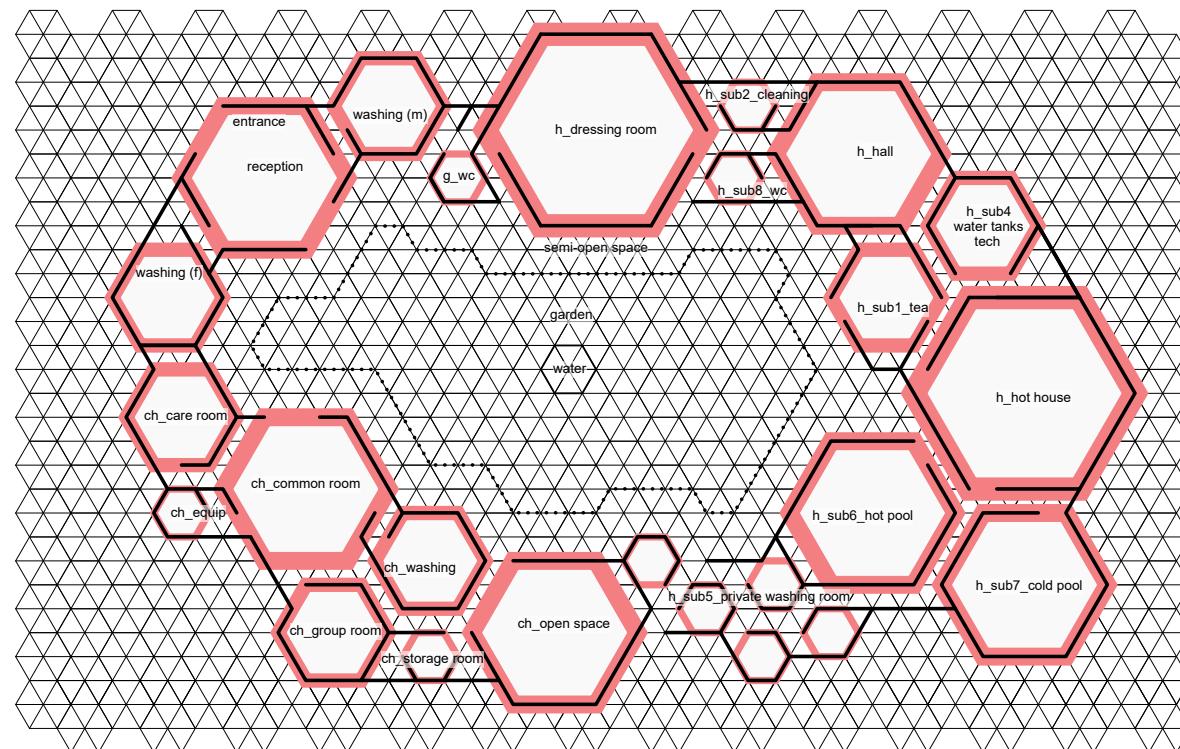
## 2) Flowchart



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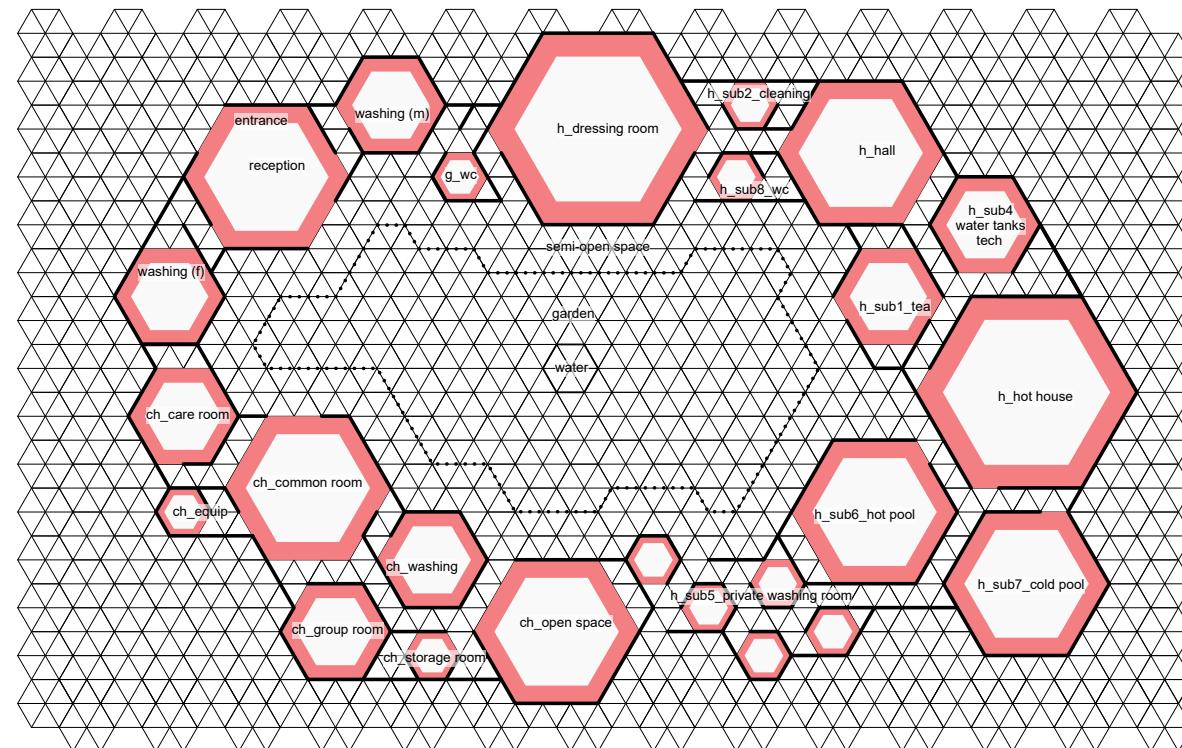
## 2) Wall thickness

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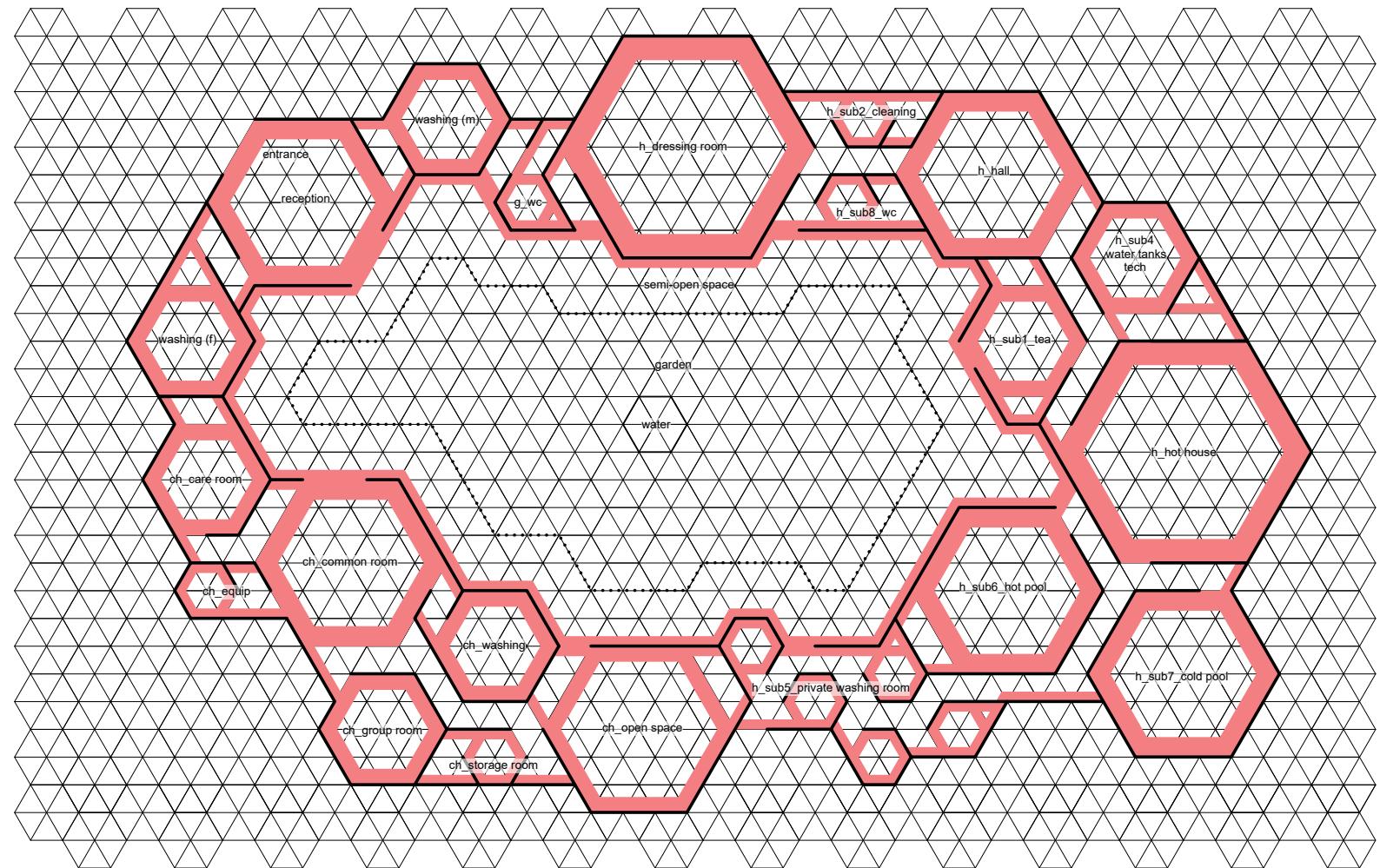
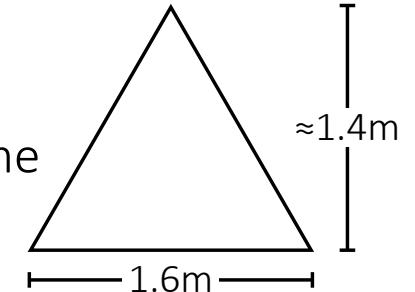
- both sides => no space left for corridors :(
- inside => rooms' areas are reduced a lot :(



## 2) Wall thickness

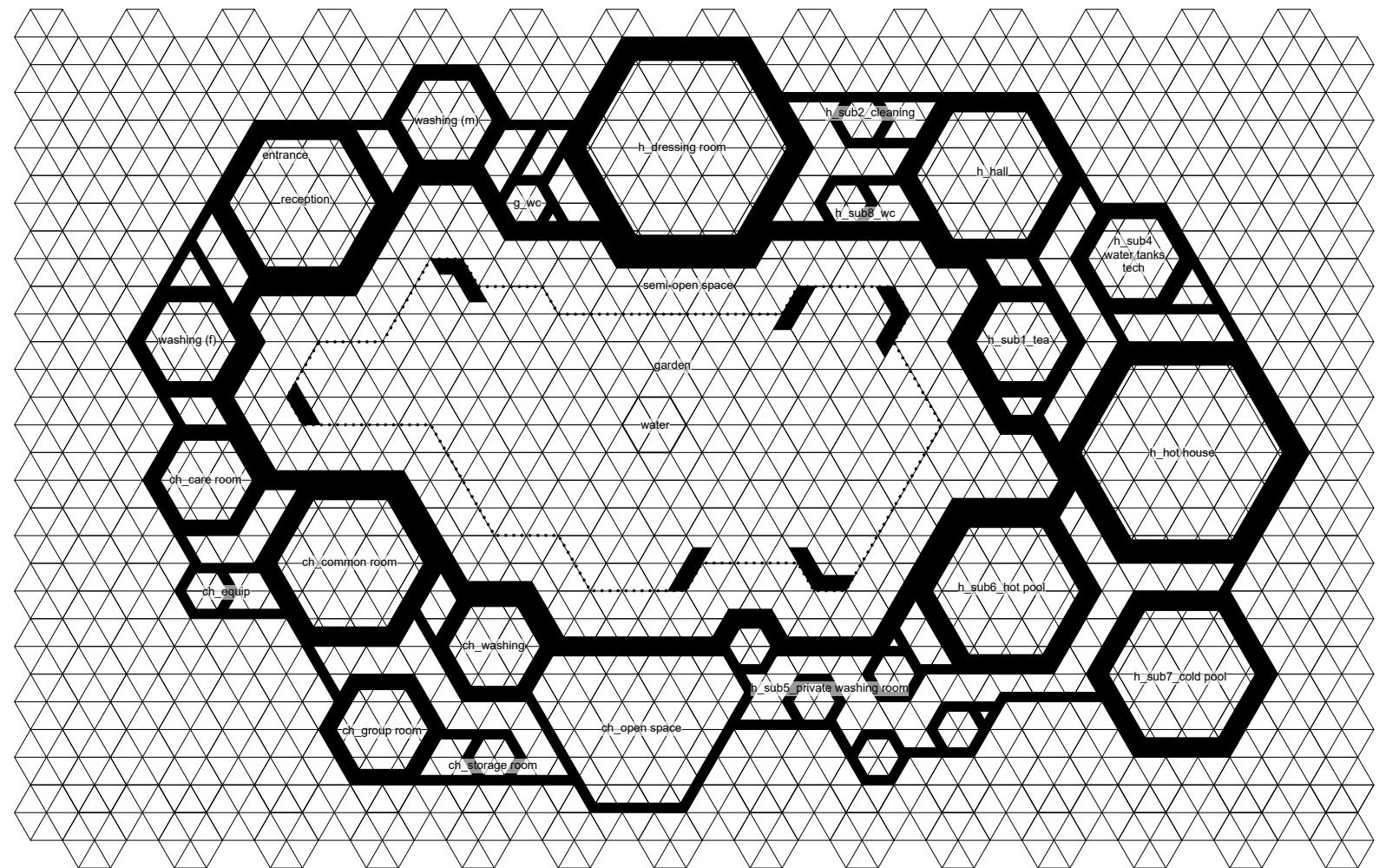
!!! Increase grid only by to  $\approx 1.6m$  !!!

- both sides => room becomes too big :(
- inside => room-sizes remains almost the same  
corridors are  $\approx 1.4m$  wide :)
- inside => corridor walls



## 2) Semi-open space supports

- both sides => semi-open space wall (structural reason)
- semi-open space structural support:  
 $\text{length\_segm} == \text{grid\_size} \Rightarrow \text{wall\_grs}$



## 2) Semi-open space supports

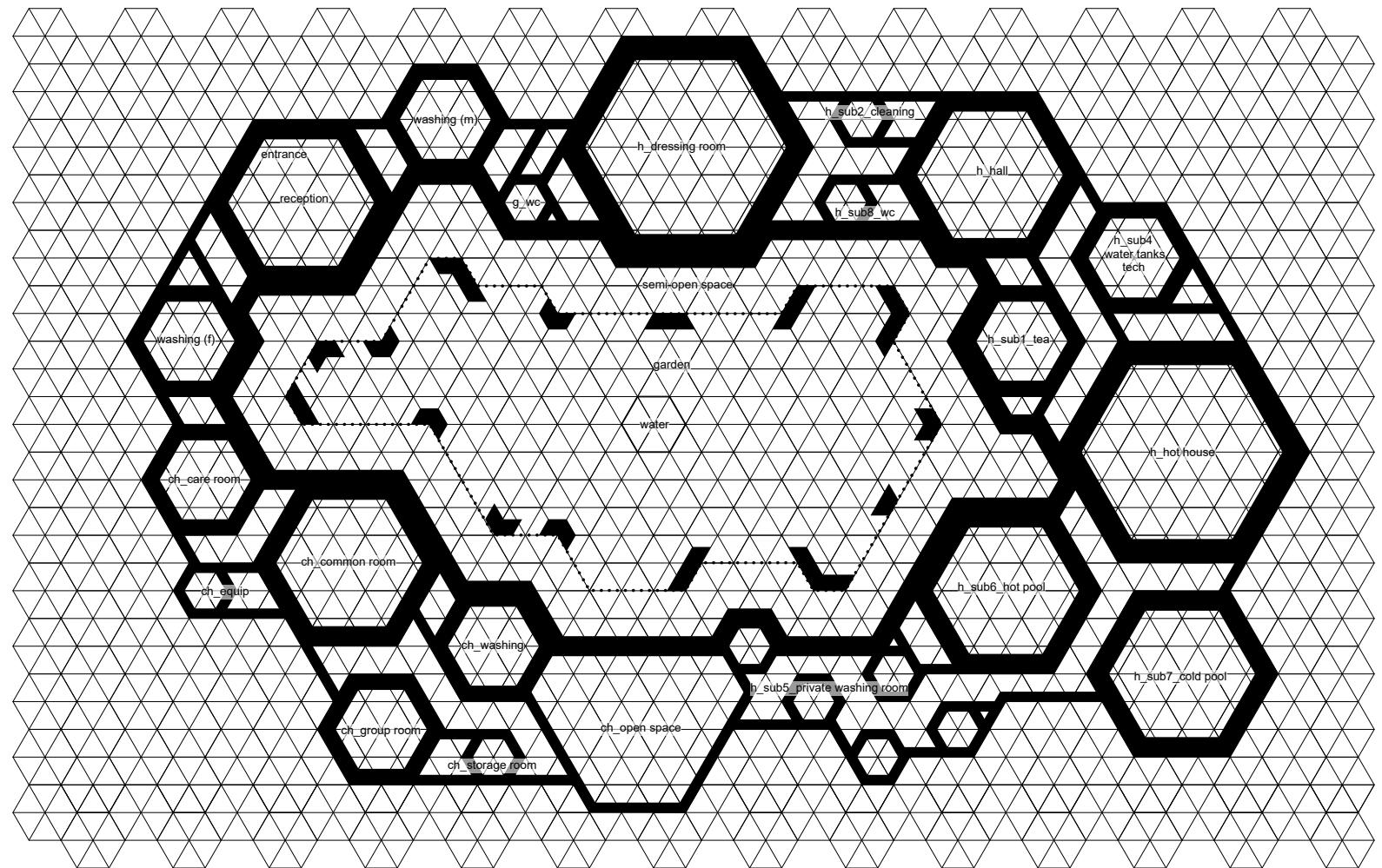
corners: column

$\text{grid\_size} < \text{length\_segm} \leq 3 * \text{grid\_size} \Rightarrow \text{no support}$

$3 * \text{grid\_size} < \text{length\_segm}$

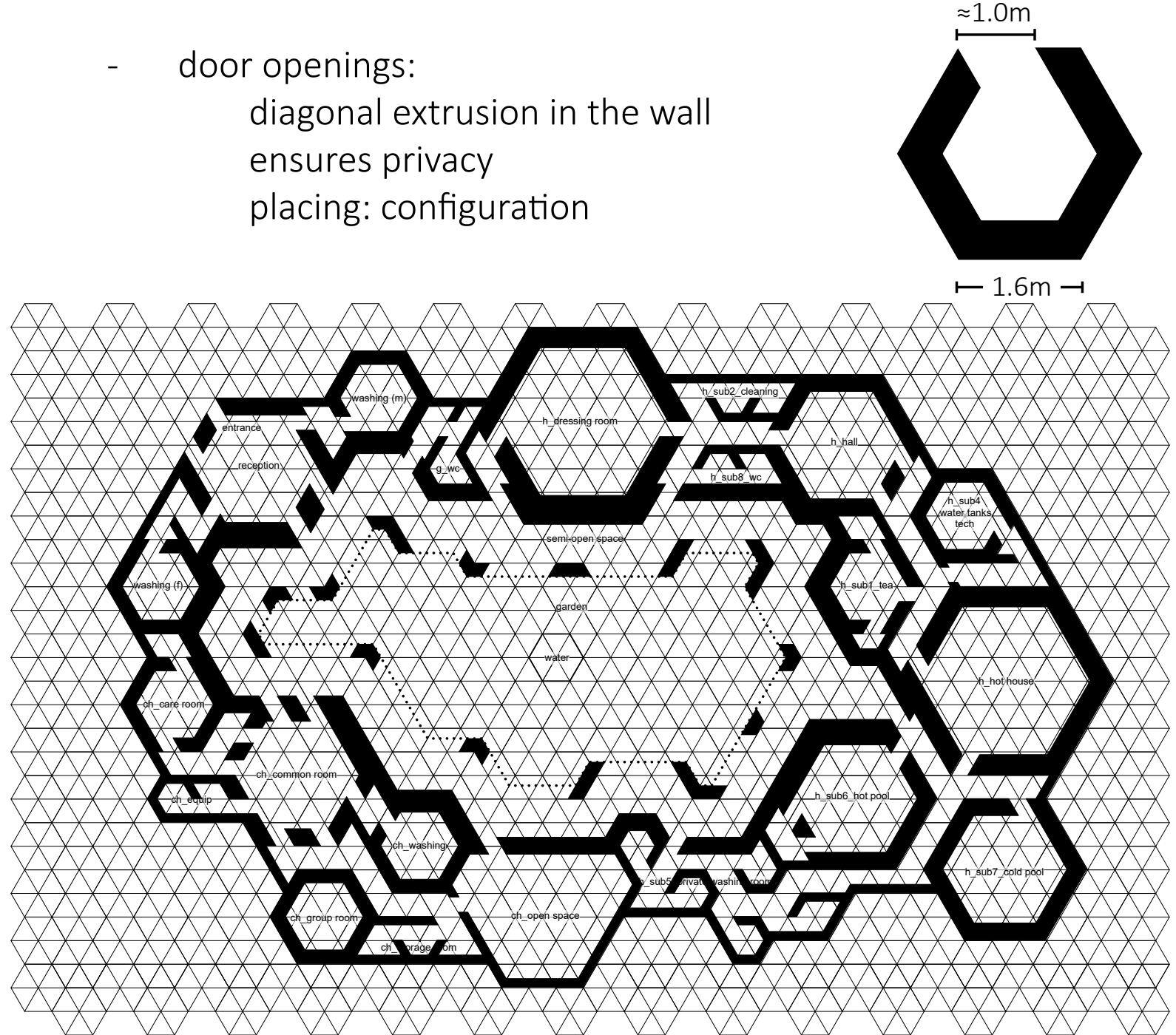
$\text{length\_segm} == n_{\text{even}} * \text{grid\_size} \Rightarrow \text{wall\_grs}$

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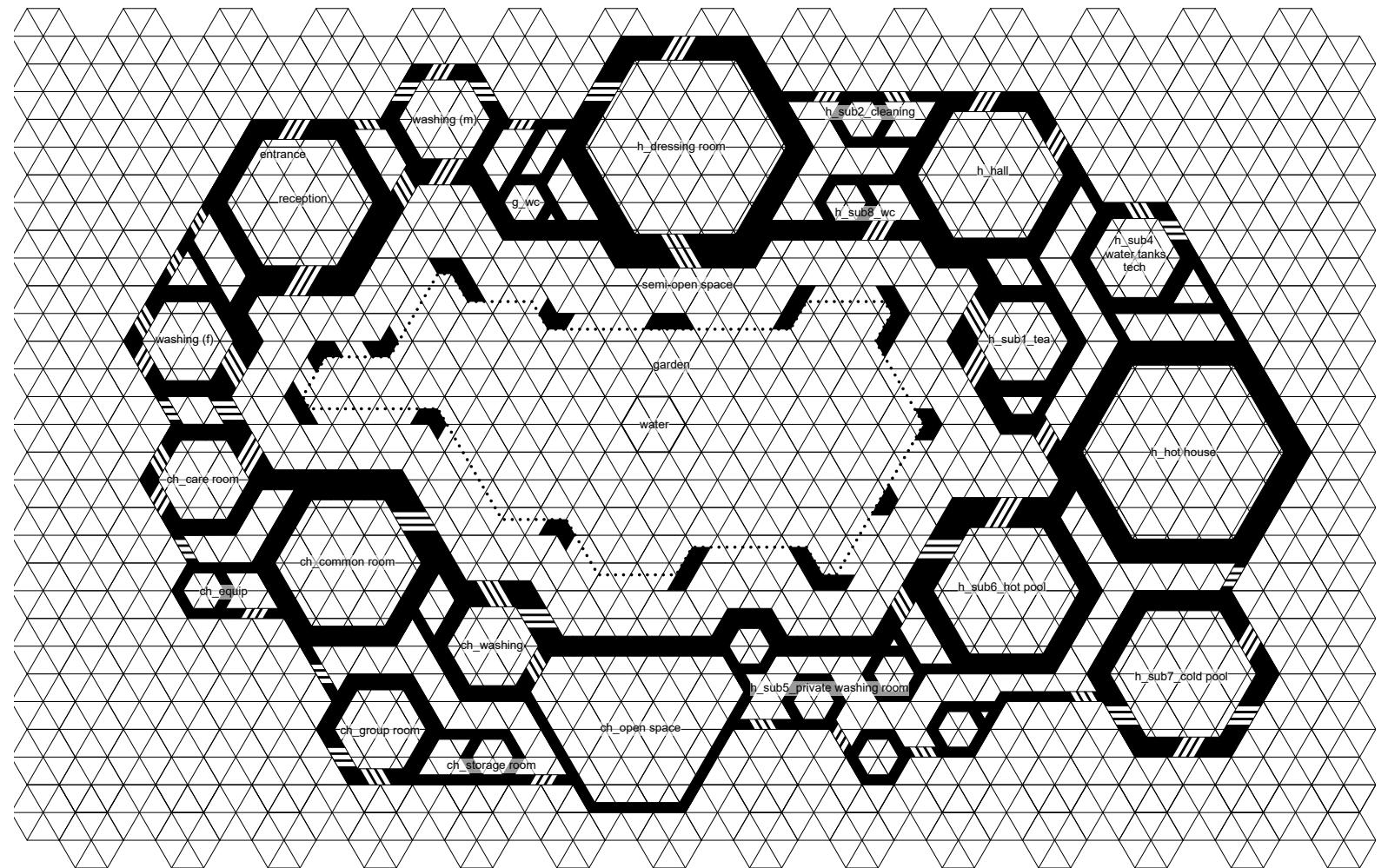
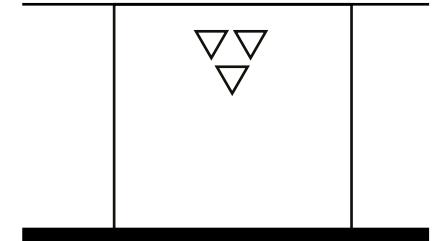
## 2) Openings

- door openings:
    - diagonal extrusion in the wall
    - ensures privacy
    - placing: configuration



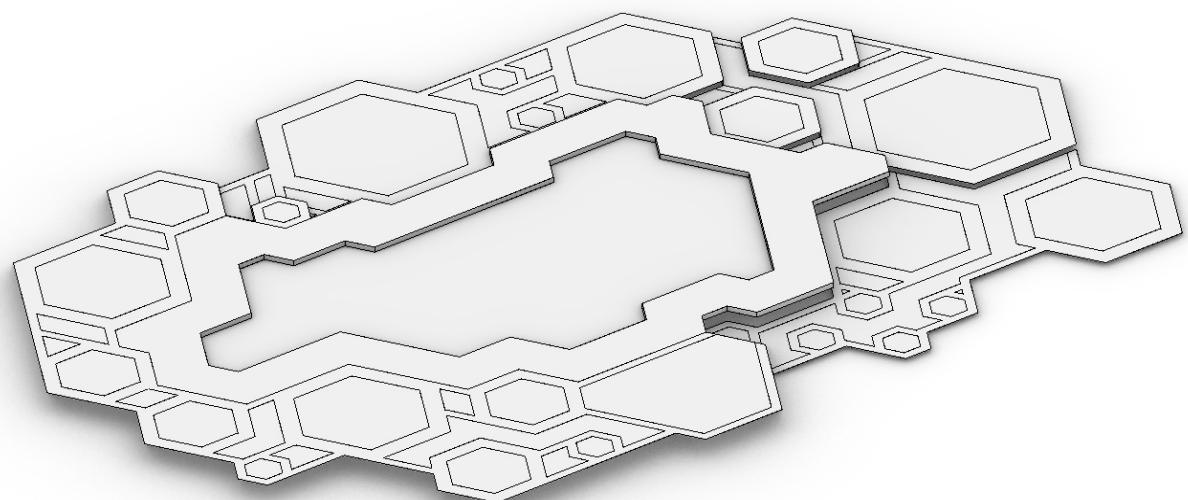
## 2) Openings

- small ventilation openings  
in the center of each hexagonal face  
that is looking outdoor  
corridors' dead end

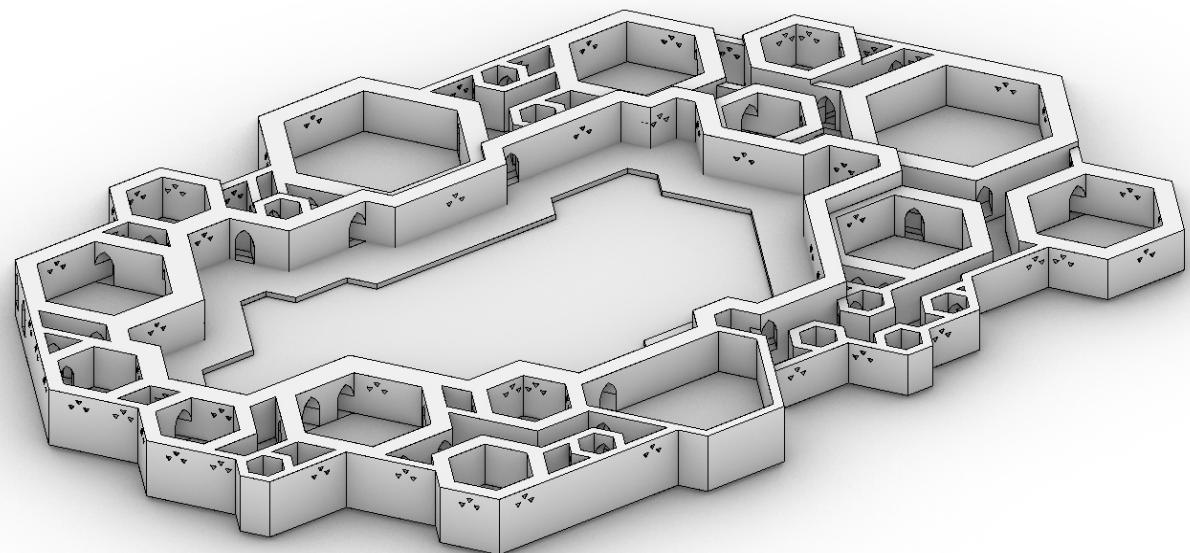


## 2) 2D => 3D

- Different floor-heights according to the function requirements

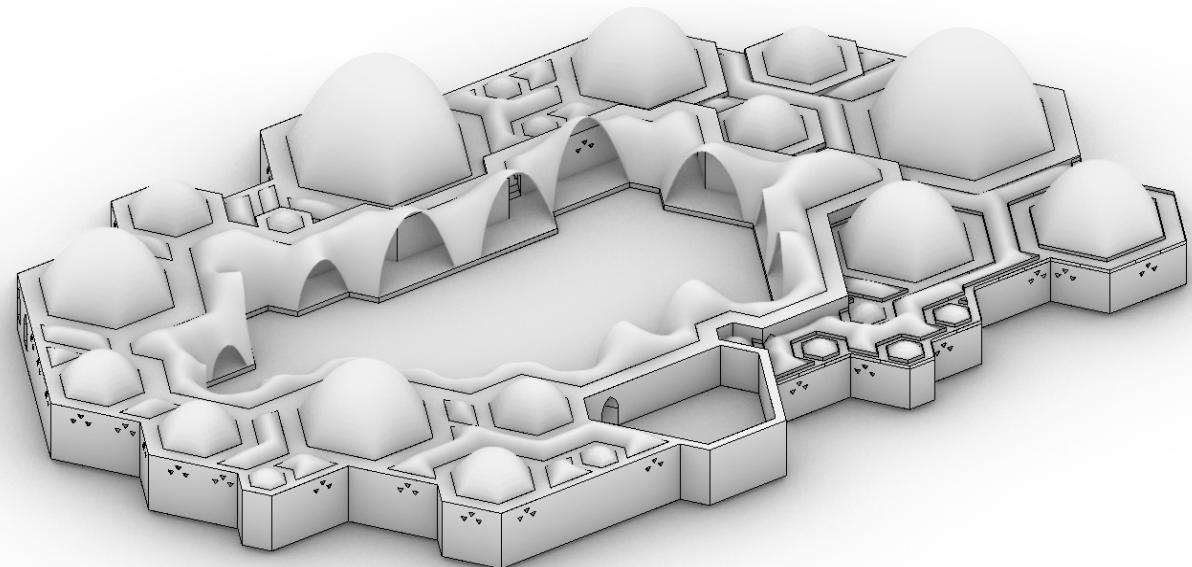
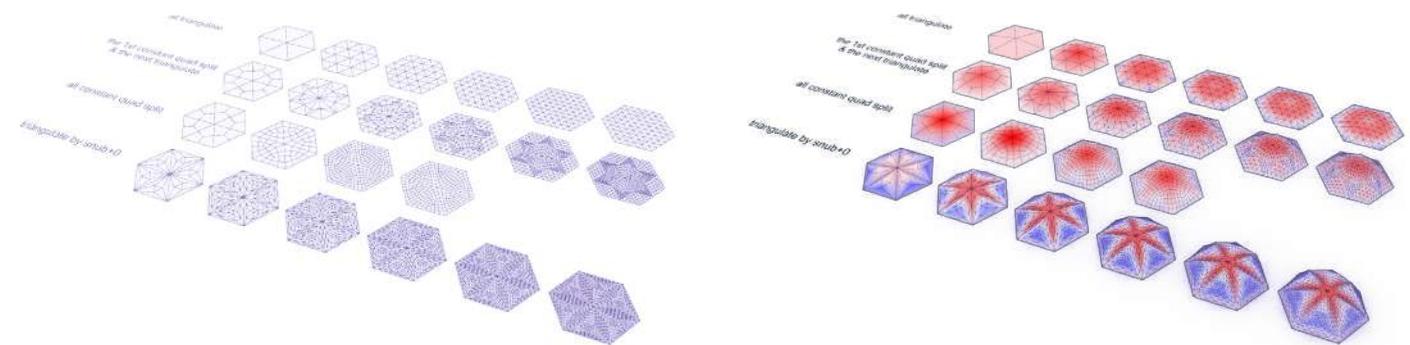


**2) 2D => 3D**



## 2) Ceiling

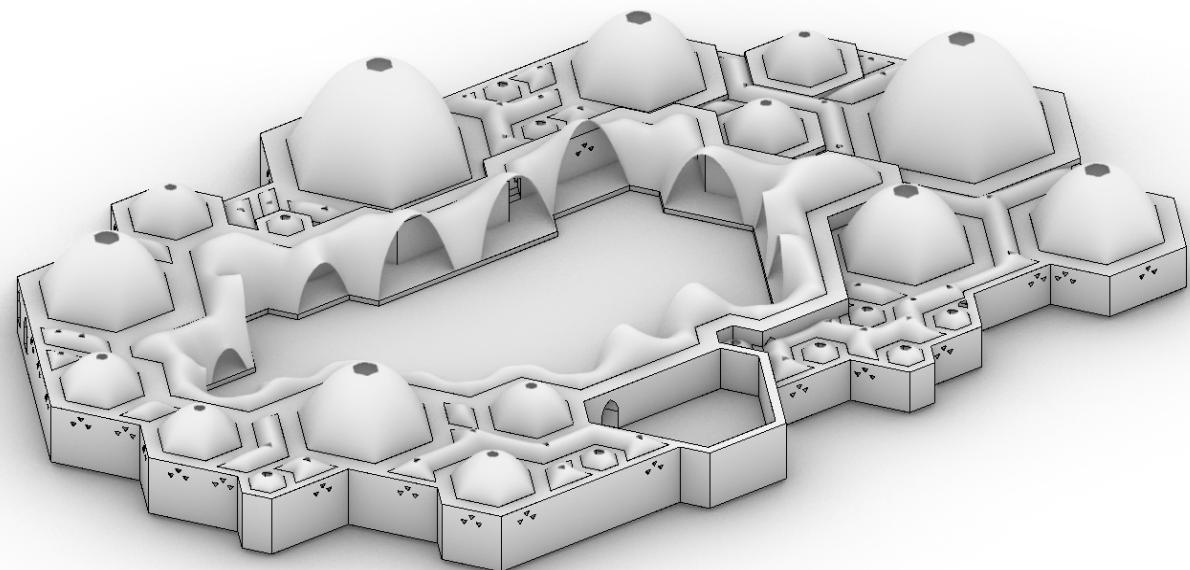
- Tessellation and structural evaluation



## 2) Lighting & Ventilation

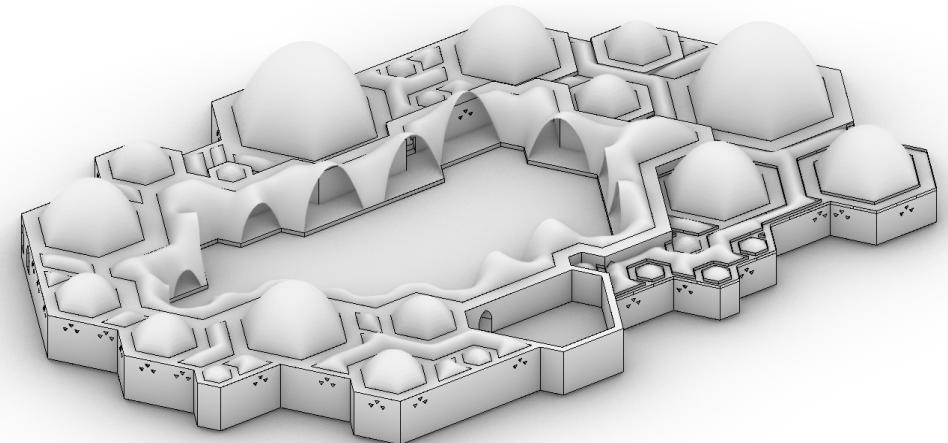
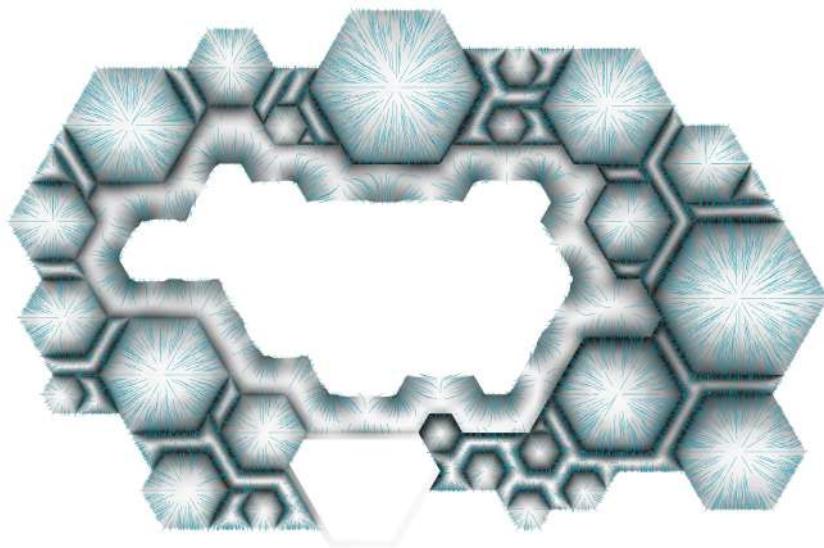
Placing:

- Doms: in the highest point, the middle of the dom
- Corridors: Crosssections and before dead-end



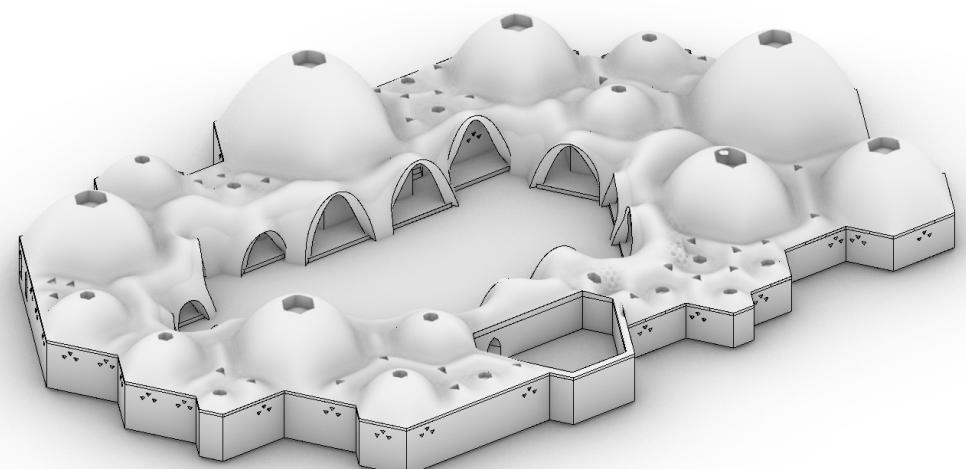
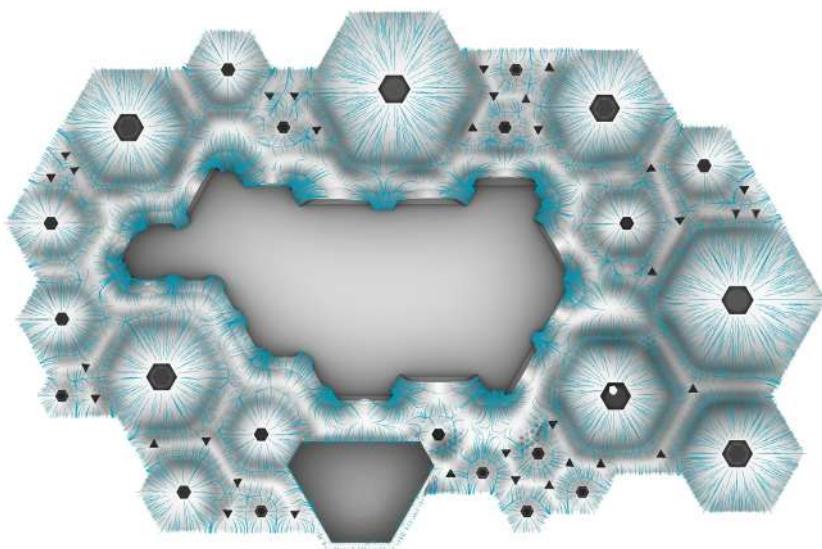
## 2) Roofing

- Rain-water flow in the ceiling shape



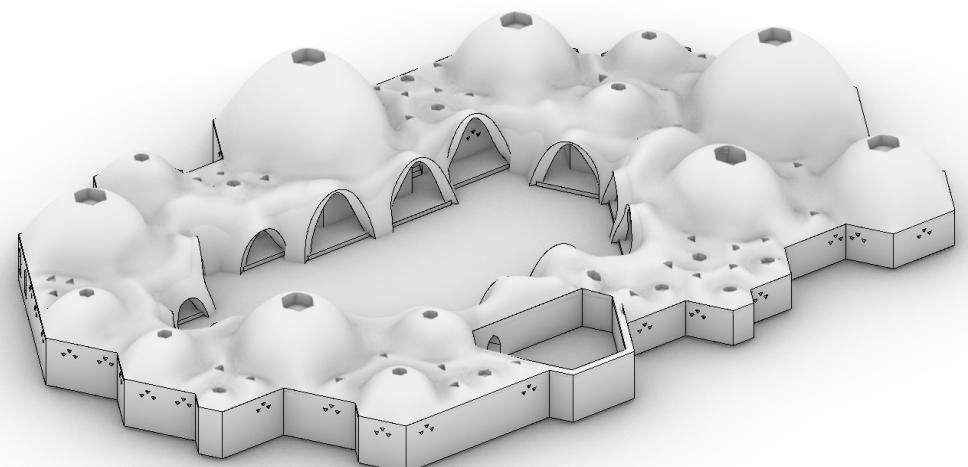
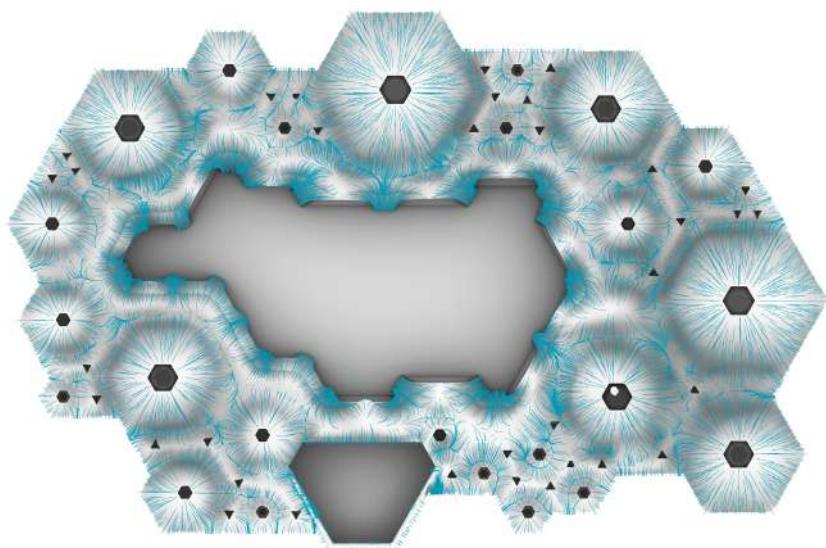
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- Rain-water flow in the grasshopper roofing mesh

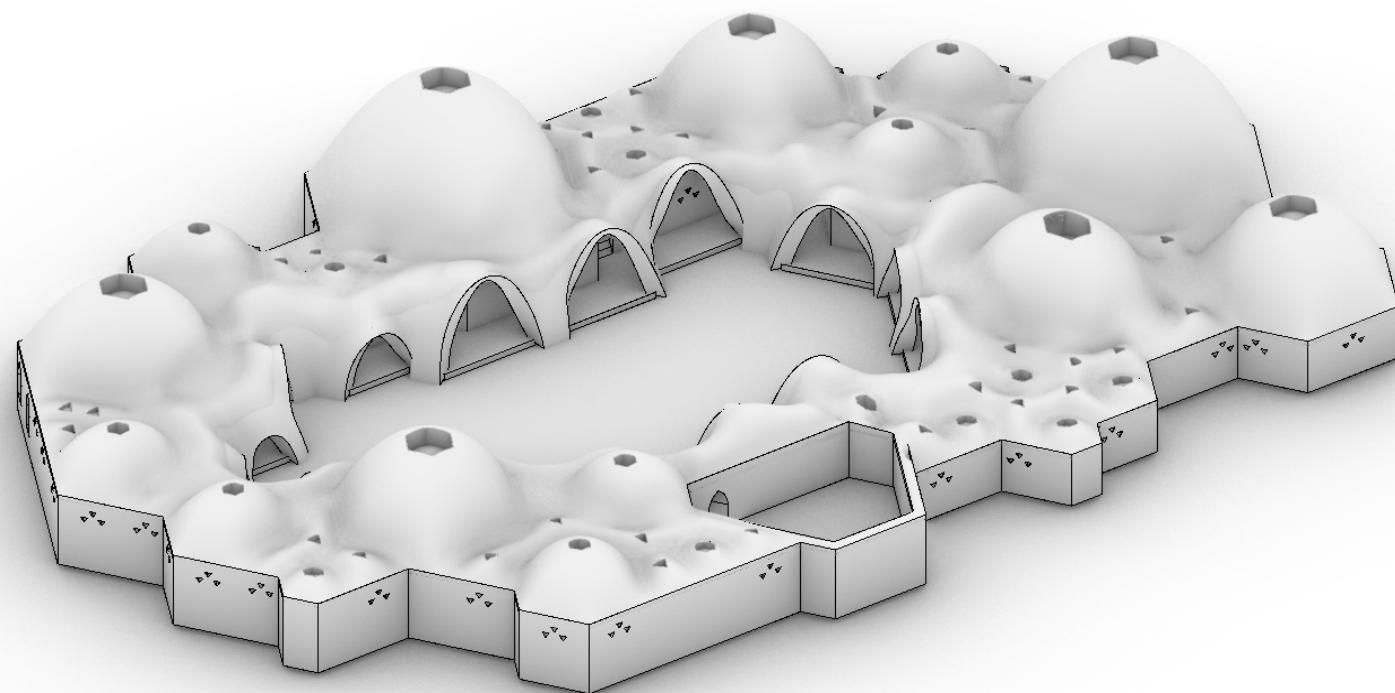


## 2) Roofing

- Rain-water flow in the improved grasshopper roofing mesh

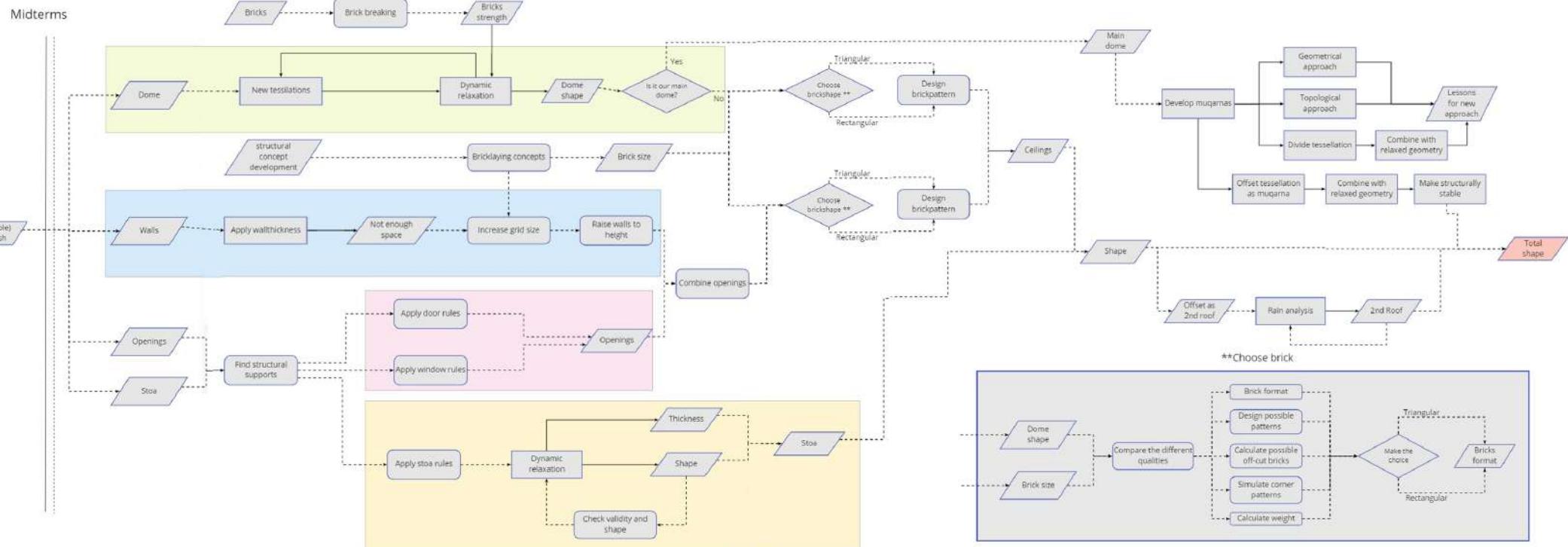


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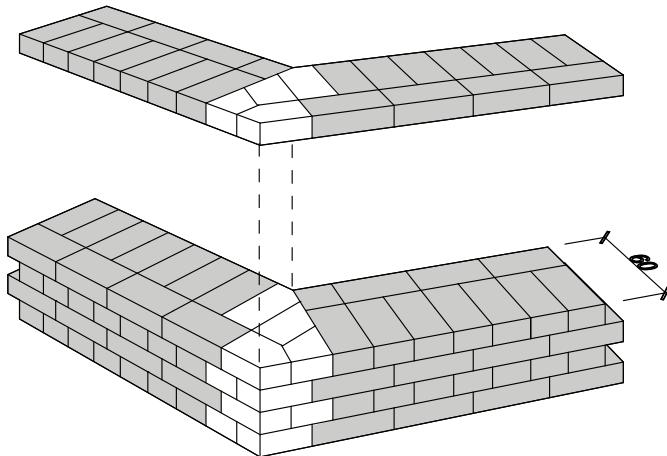




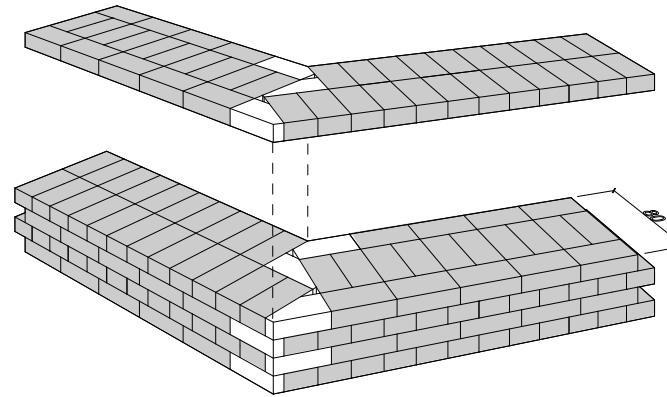
### 3) Flowchart



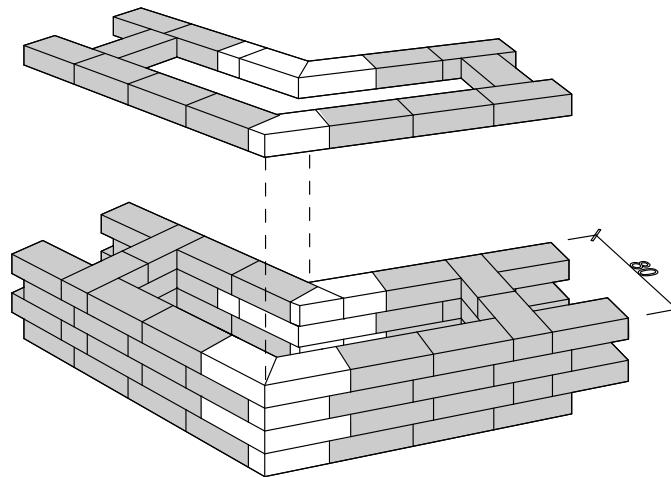
### 3) Construction aspects: rectangular bricks



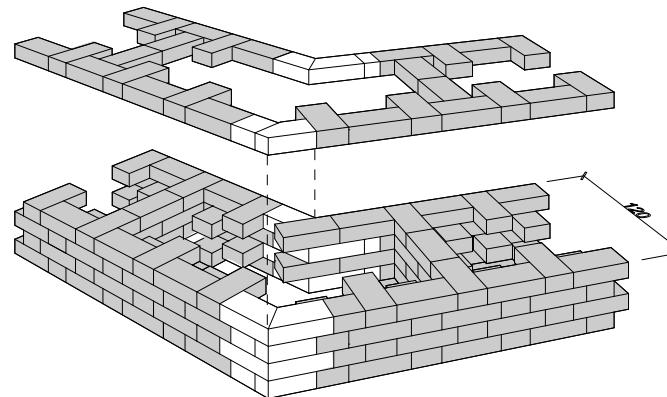
1) 60cm wide cross bond



2) 80cm wide cross bond

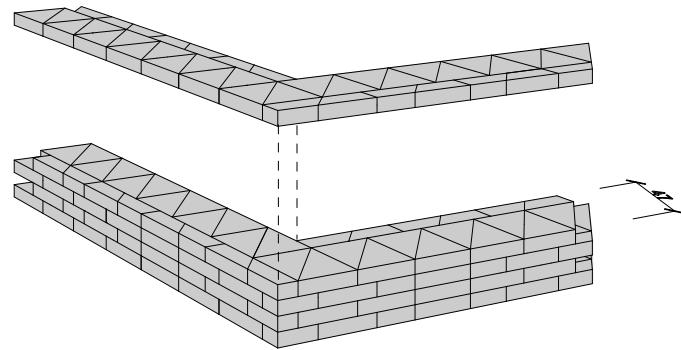


3) 80cm wide half bond with earth infill

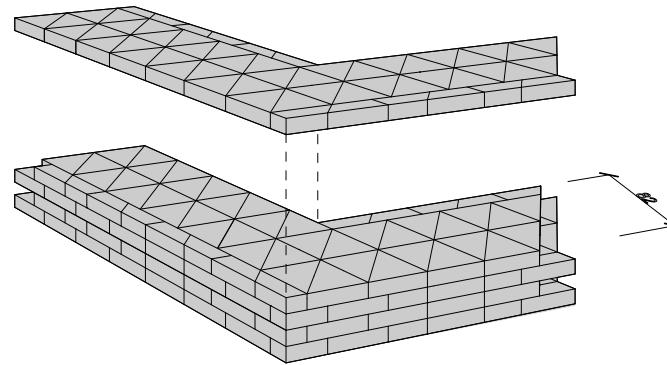


4) 120cm wide Flemish bond with earth infill

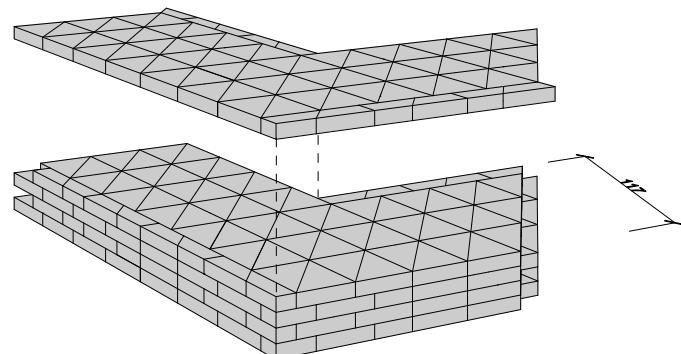
### 3) Construction aspects: triangular bricks



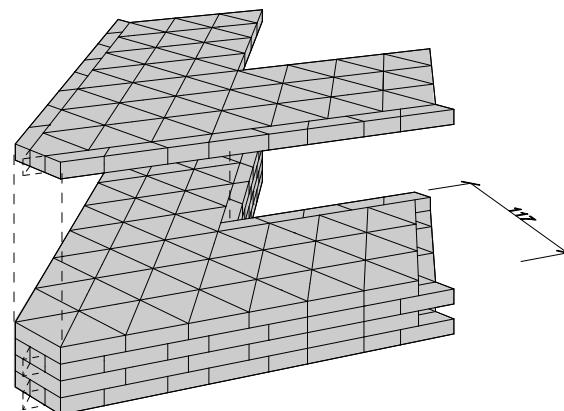
1) 47cm wide bond 120 degree corner



2) 82cm wide bond 120 degree corner

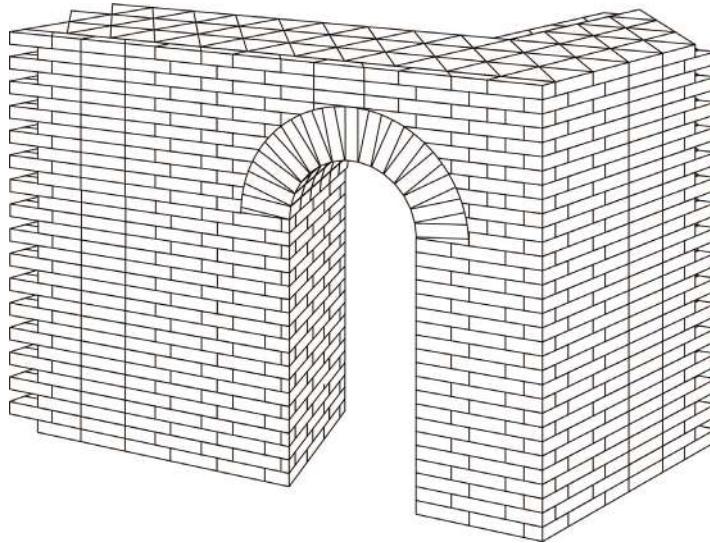


3) 117cm wide bond 120 degree corner

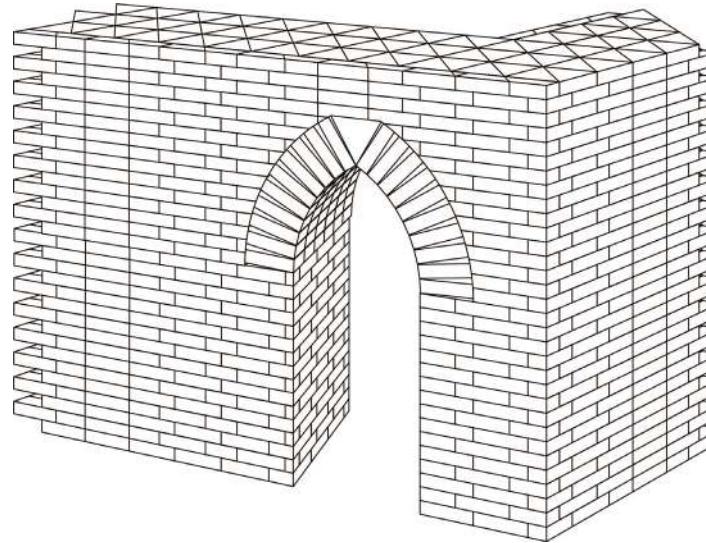


4) 117cm wide bond 60 degree corner

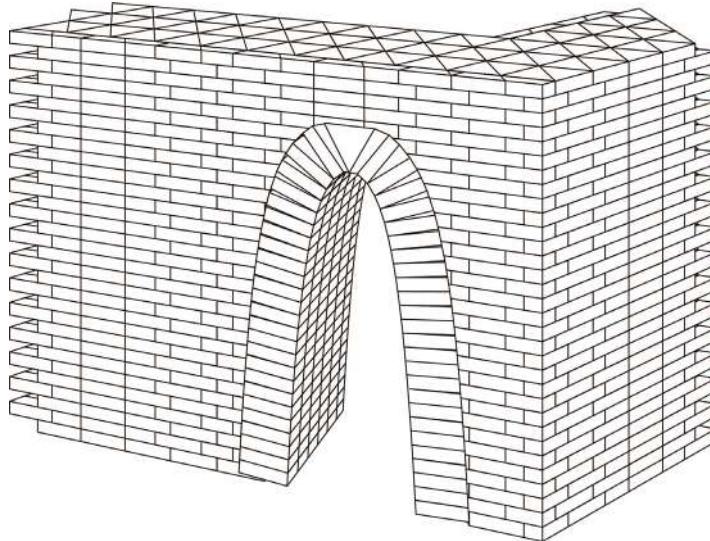
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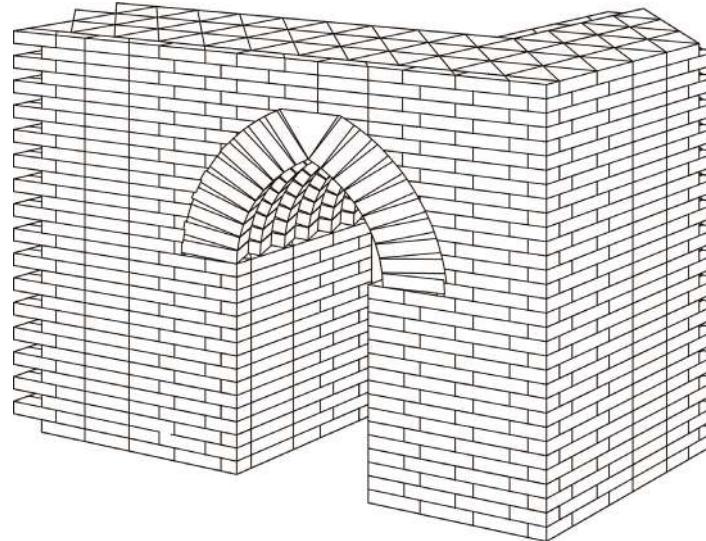
1) Semi-circular arch with stretcher layer



2) Two-pointed arch with keystone

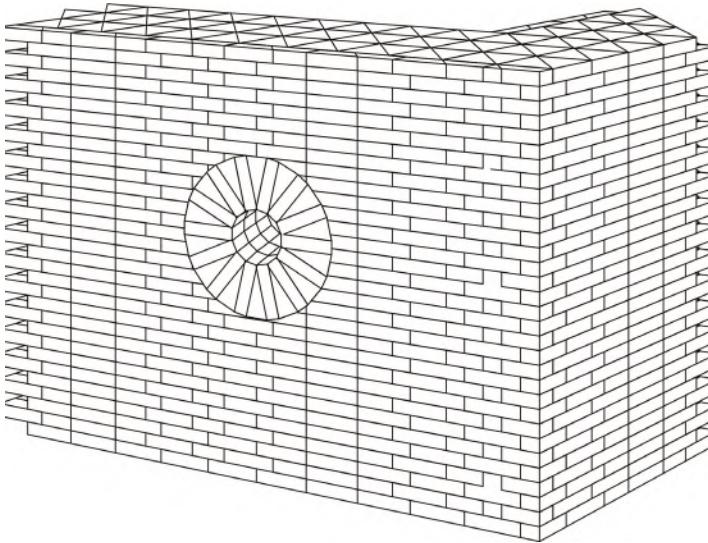


3) Inverted catenary arch with keystone

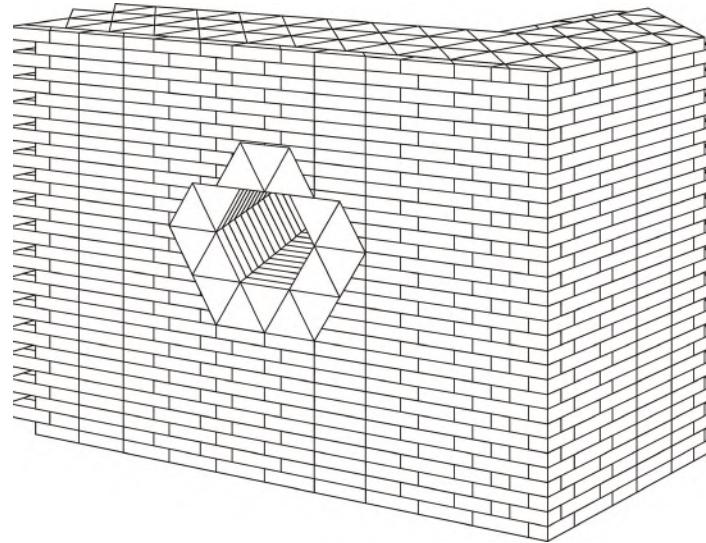


4) Shifted two-pointed arch with keystone

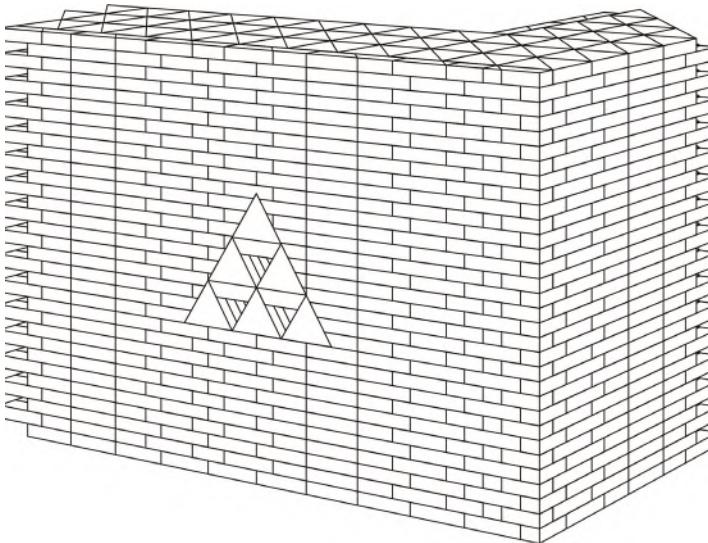
### 3) Construction aspects: Windows



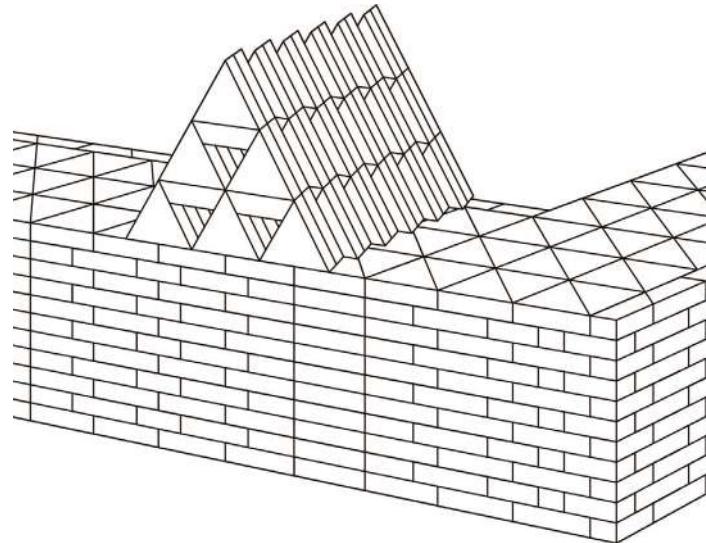
1) Circular window with stretcher layer



2) Hexagonal window with stretcher layer of

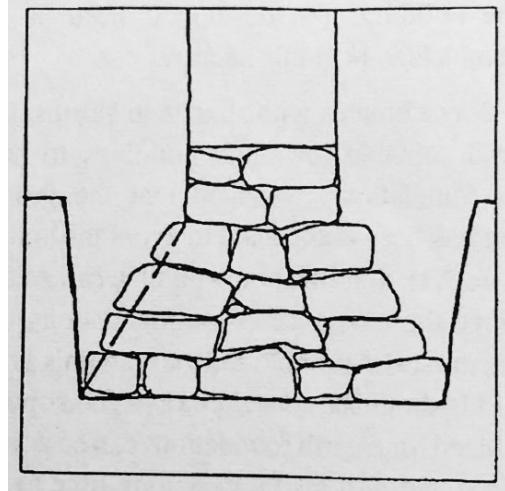


3) Triangular window with stretcher layer

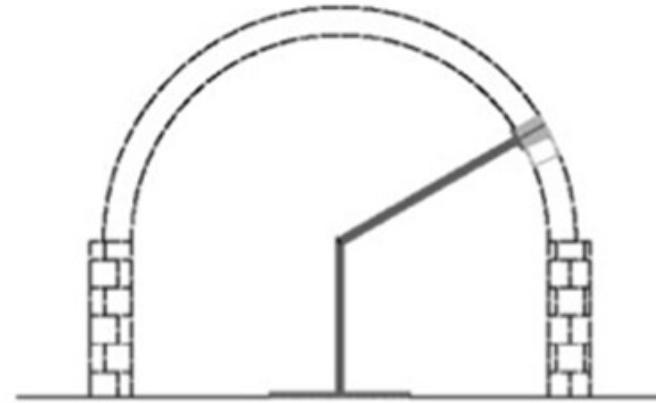


4) Shifted Triangular window

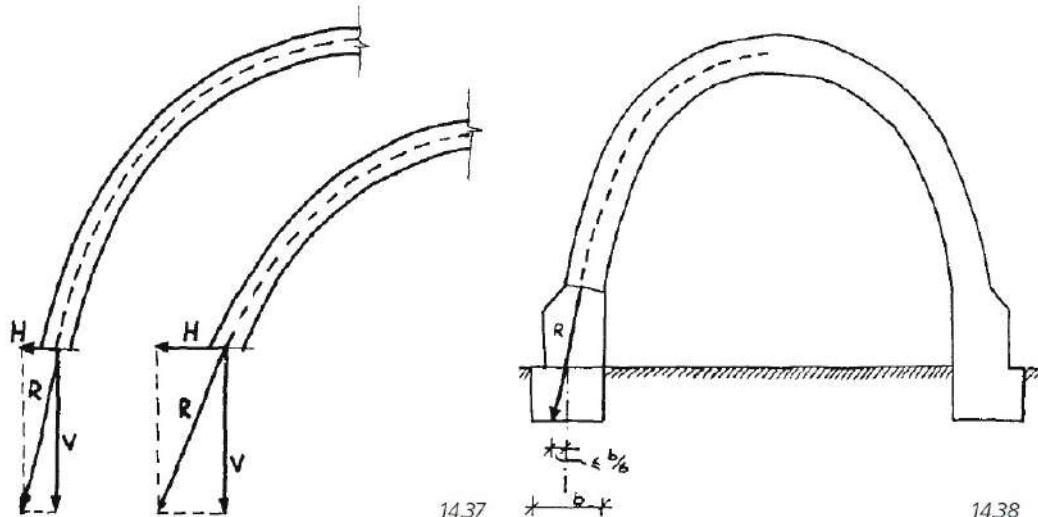
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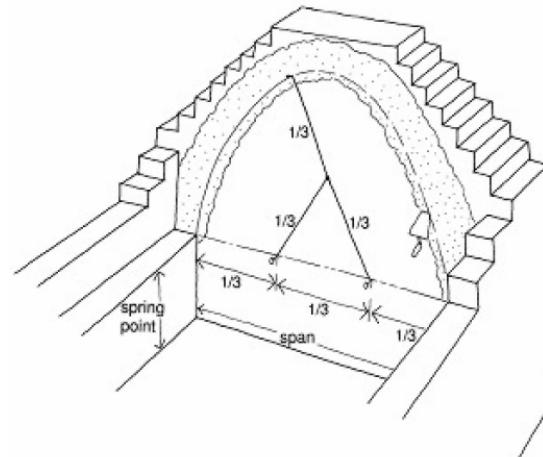
Stone foundation



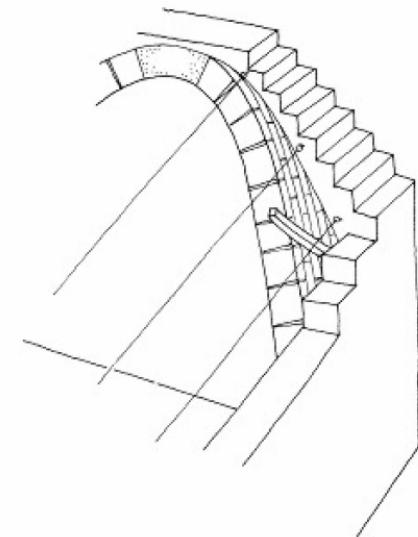
'Fathy compass' aka radial arm



Resulting force lines



Vault set out with lines



### 3) Construction process



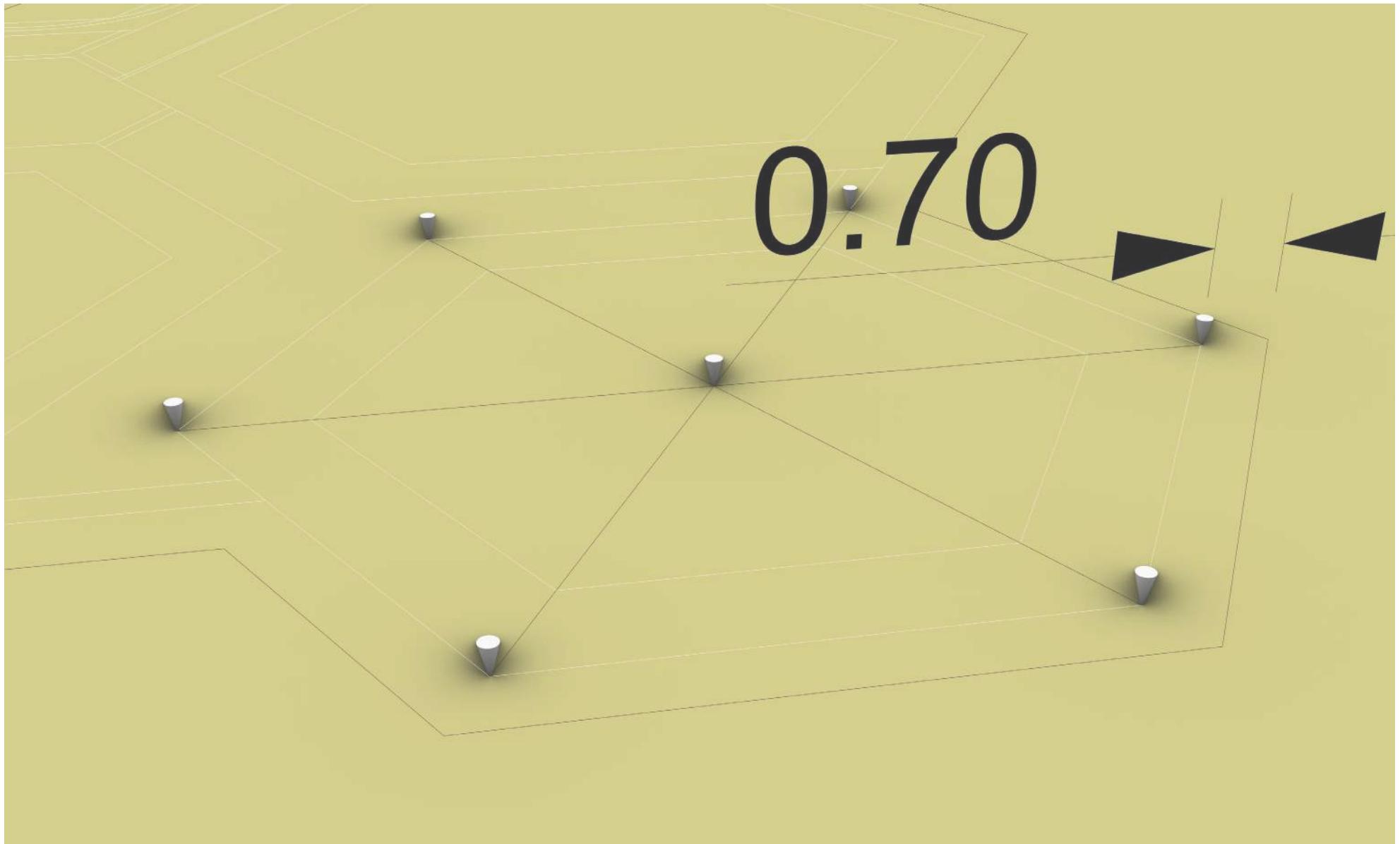
1) Choose any hexagon

### 3) Construction process



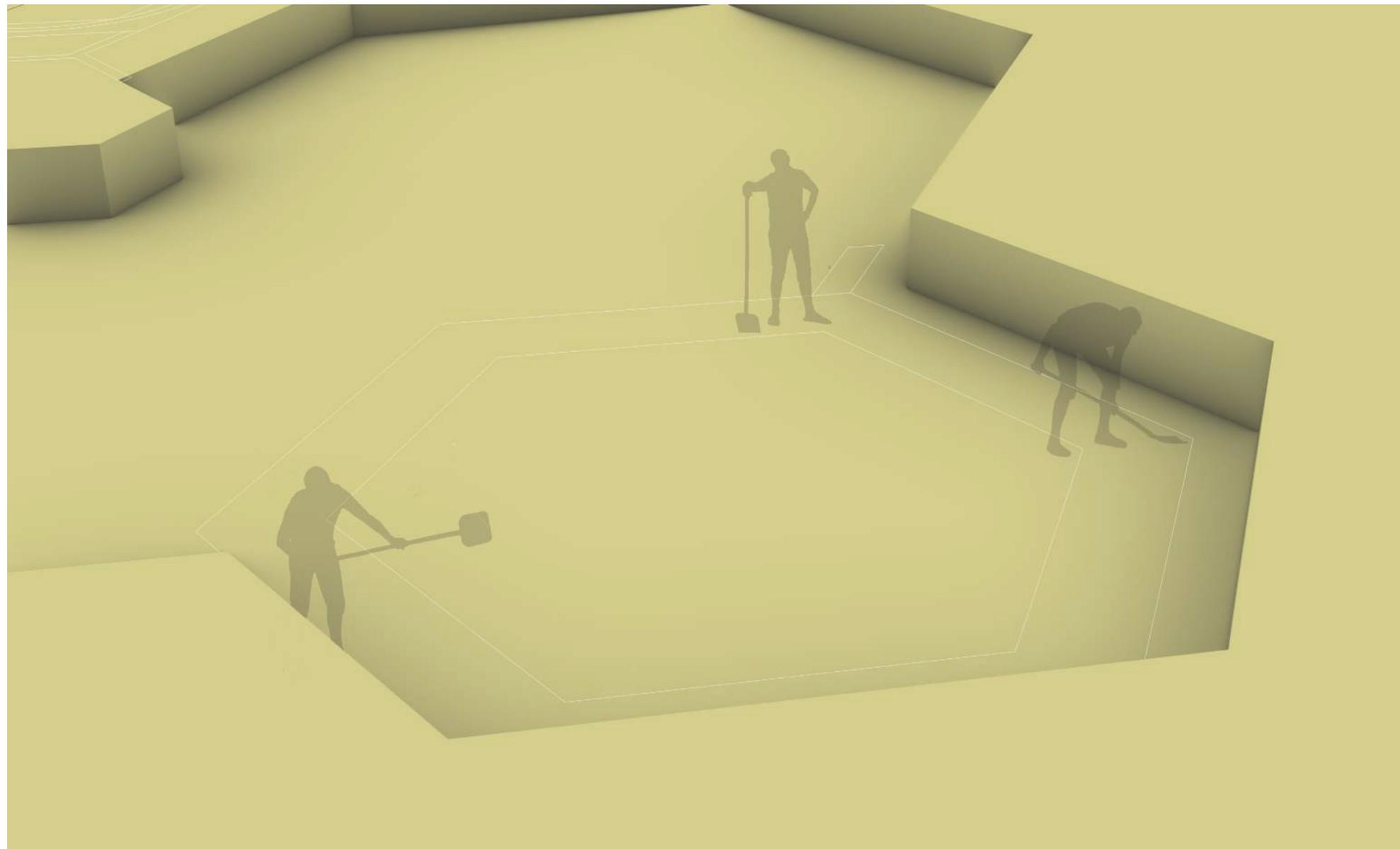
2) Set out the size

### 3) Construction process



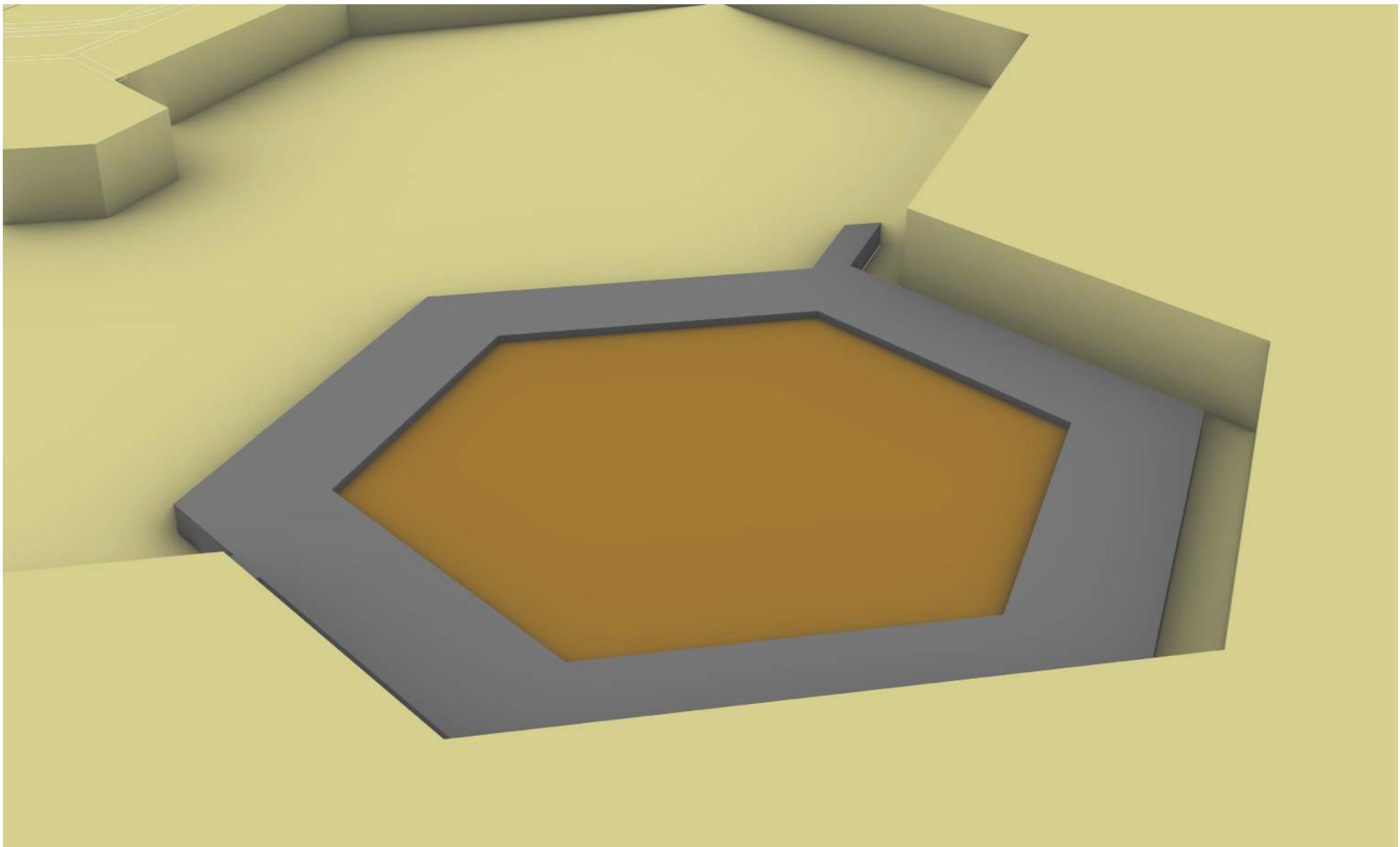
3) Add another 70 centimeters around the hexagon

### 3) Construction process



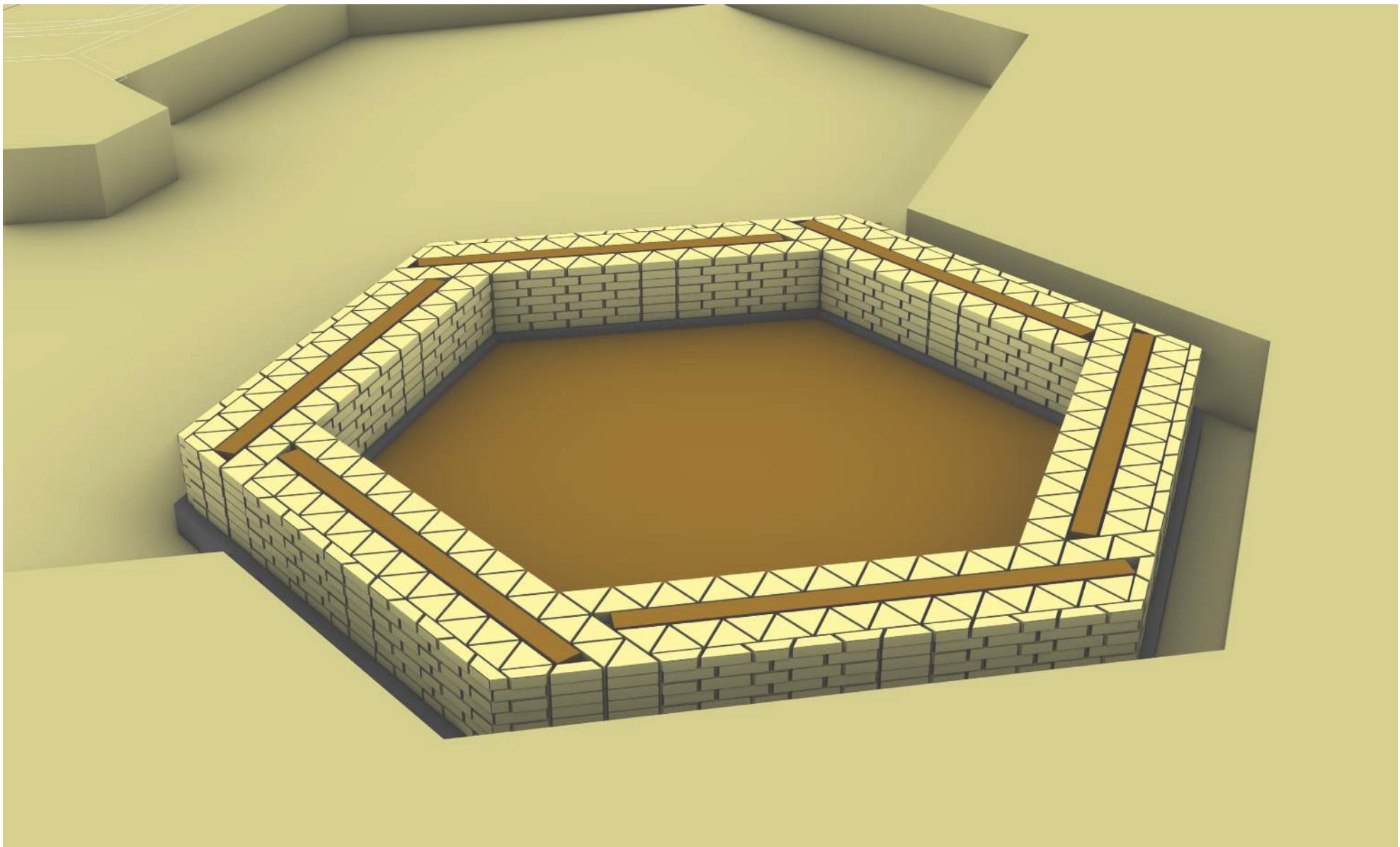
4) Dig 1 meter deep

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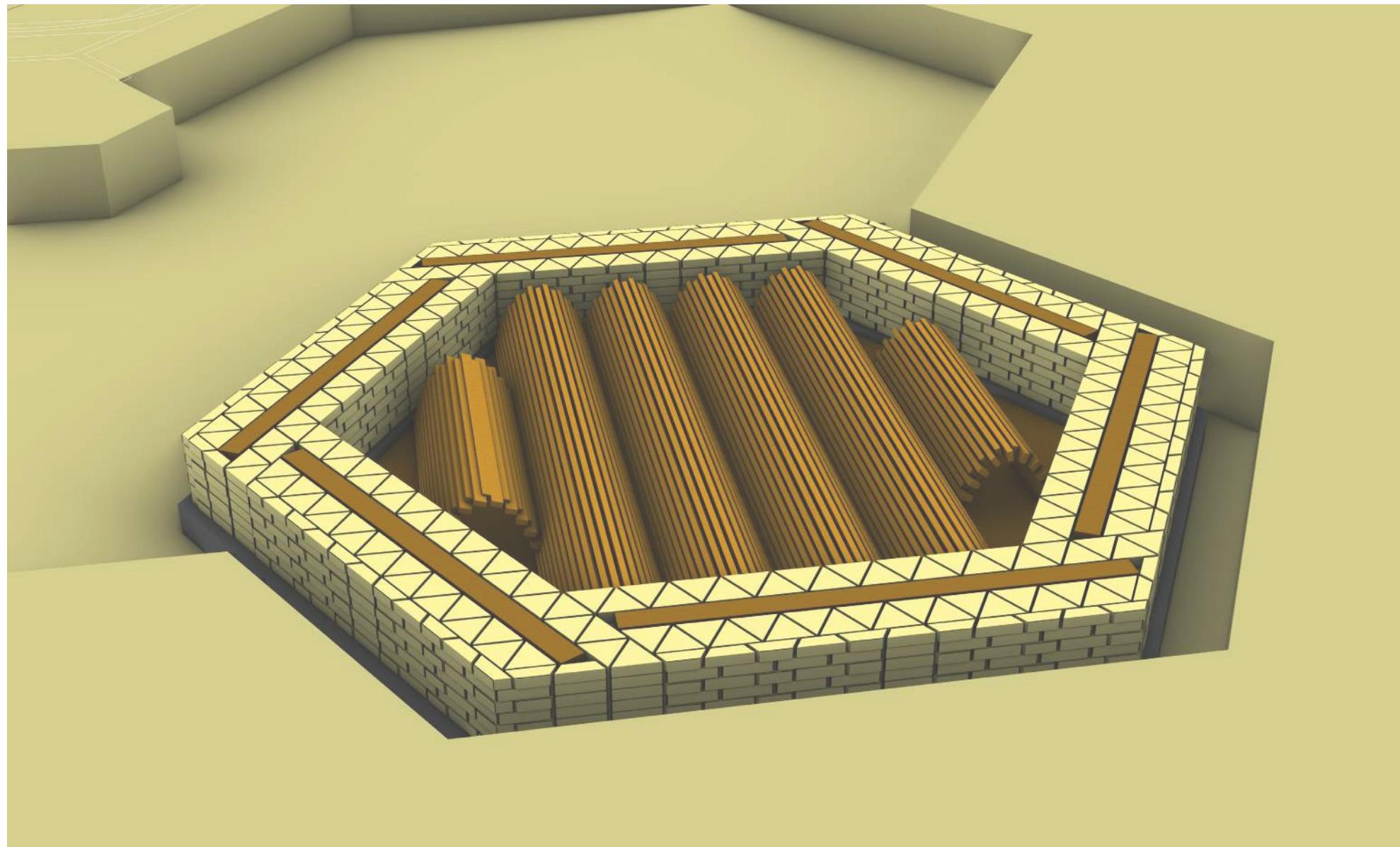
5) Create a foundation with rocks

### 3) Construction process



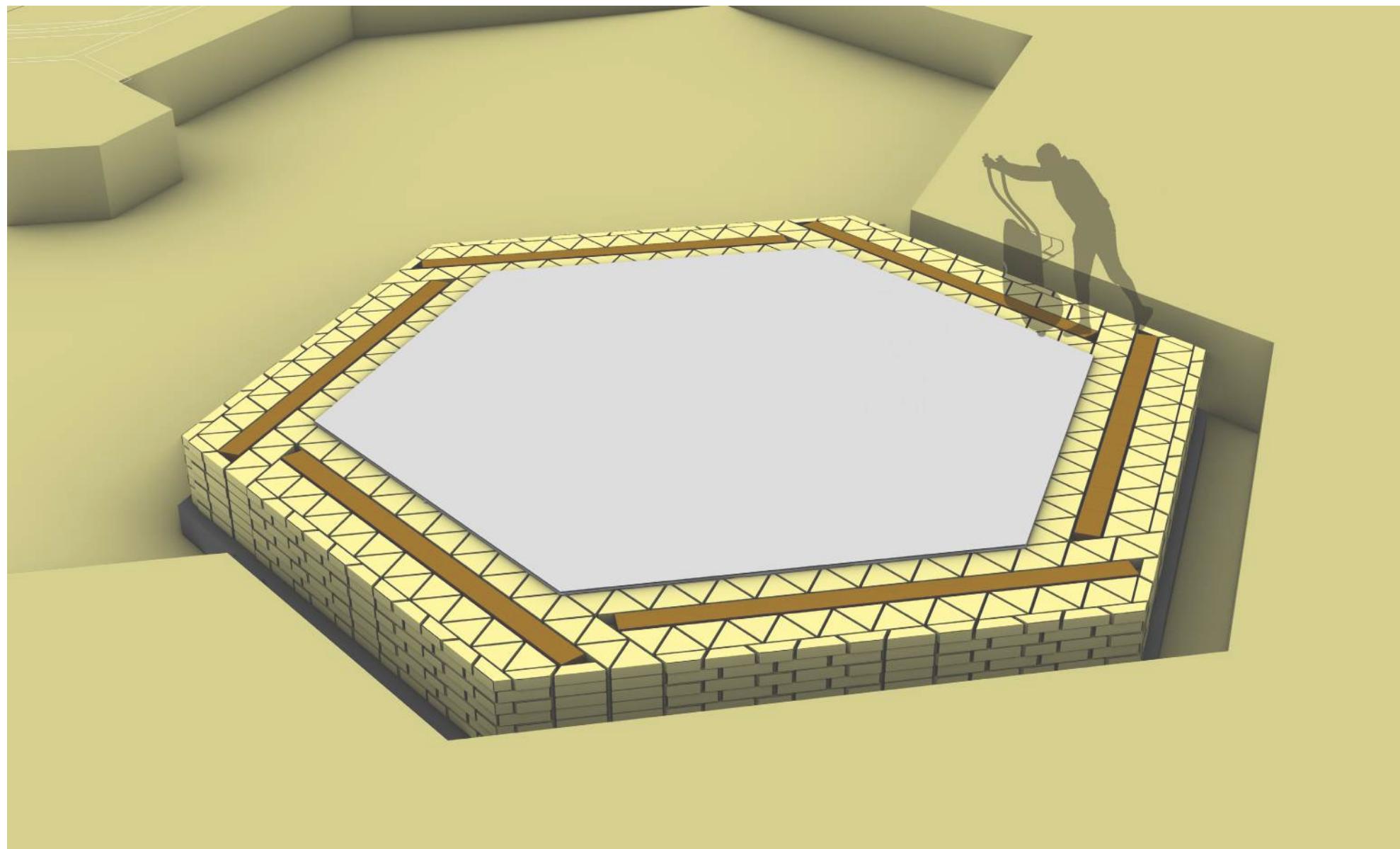
6) Build foundation walls until ground level

### 3) Construction process



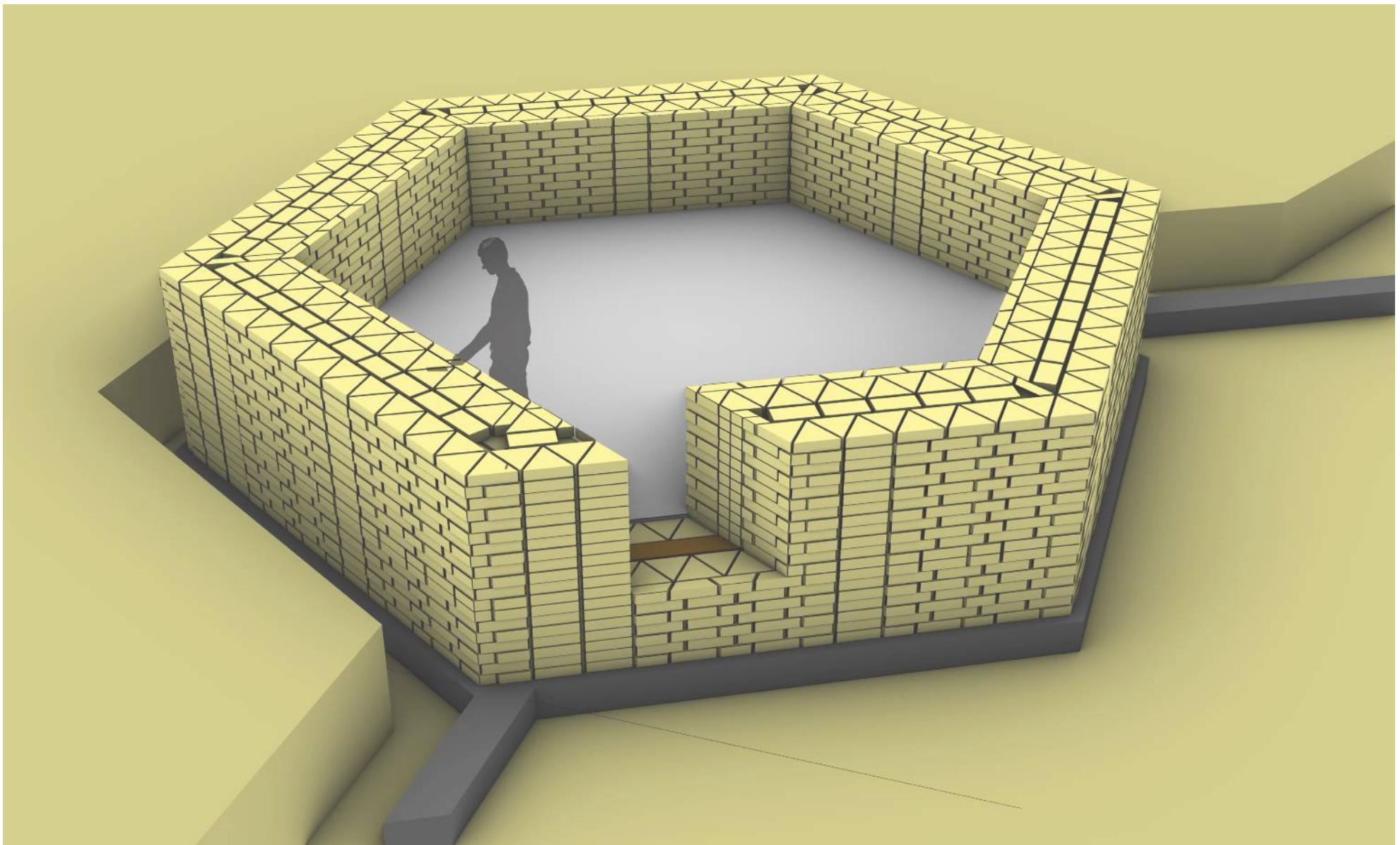
7) Build vaults for floorheating

### 3) Construction process



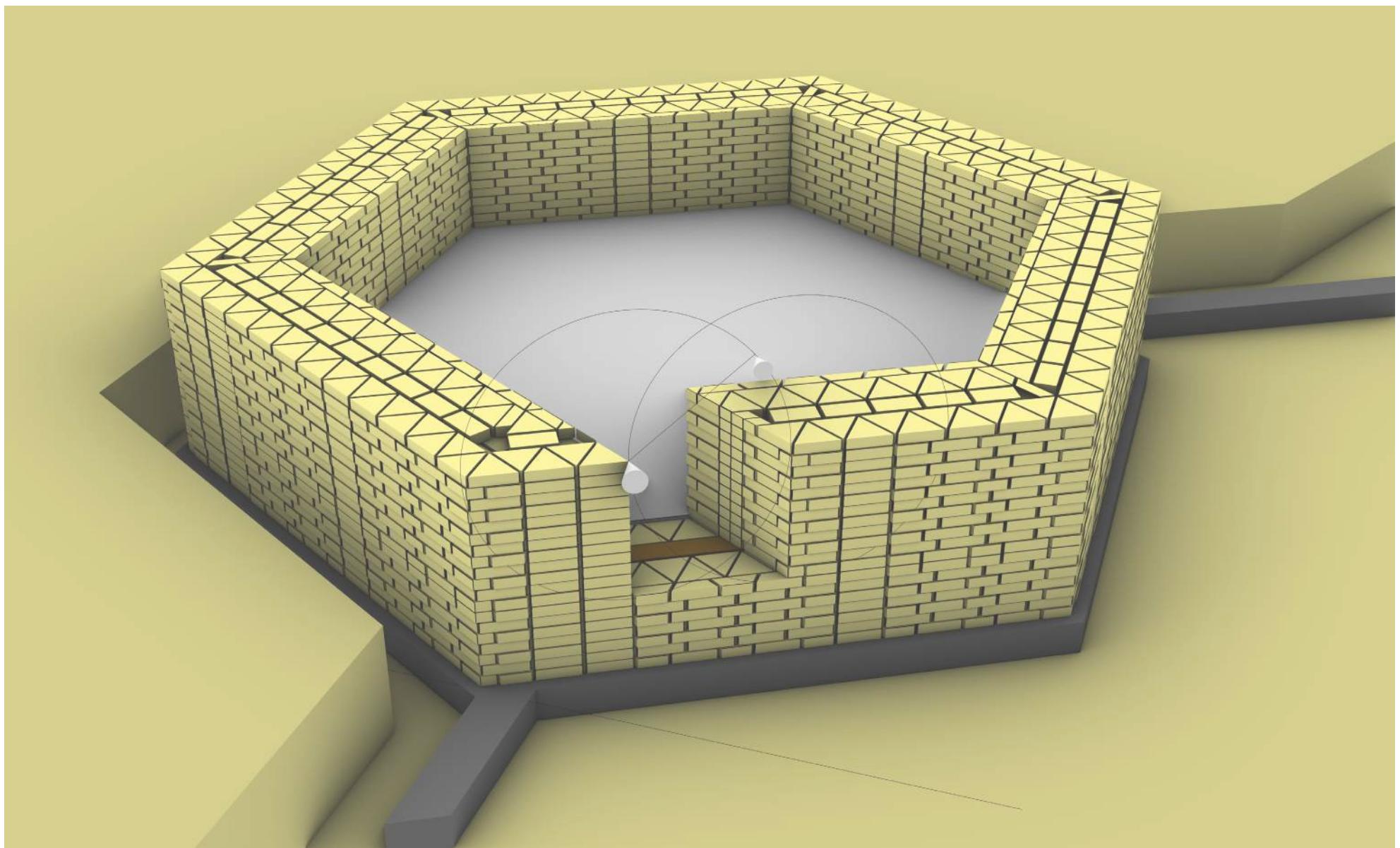
8) Fill the vaults with earth

### 3) Construction process



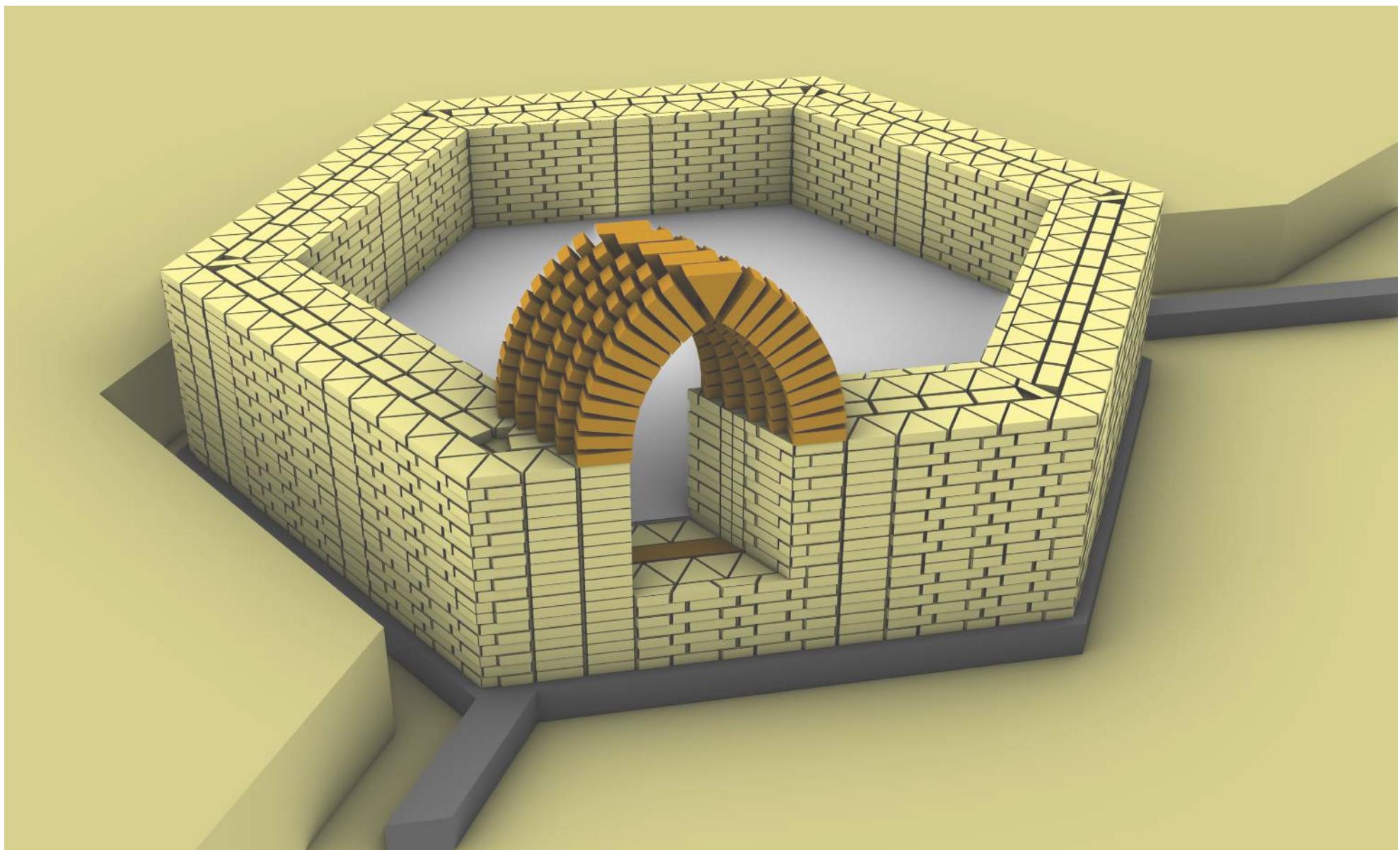
9) Build the walls up unto door height

### 3) Construction process



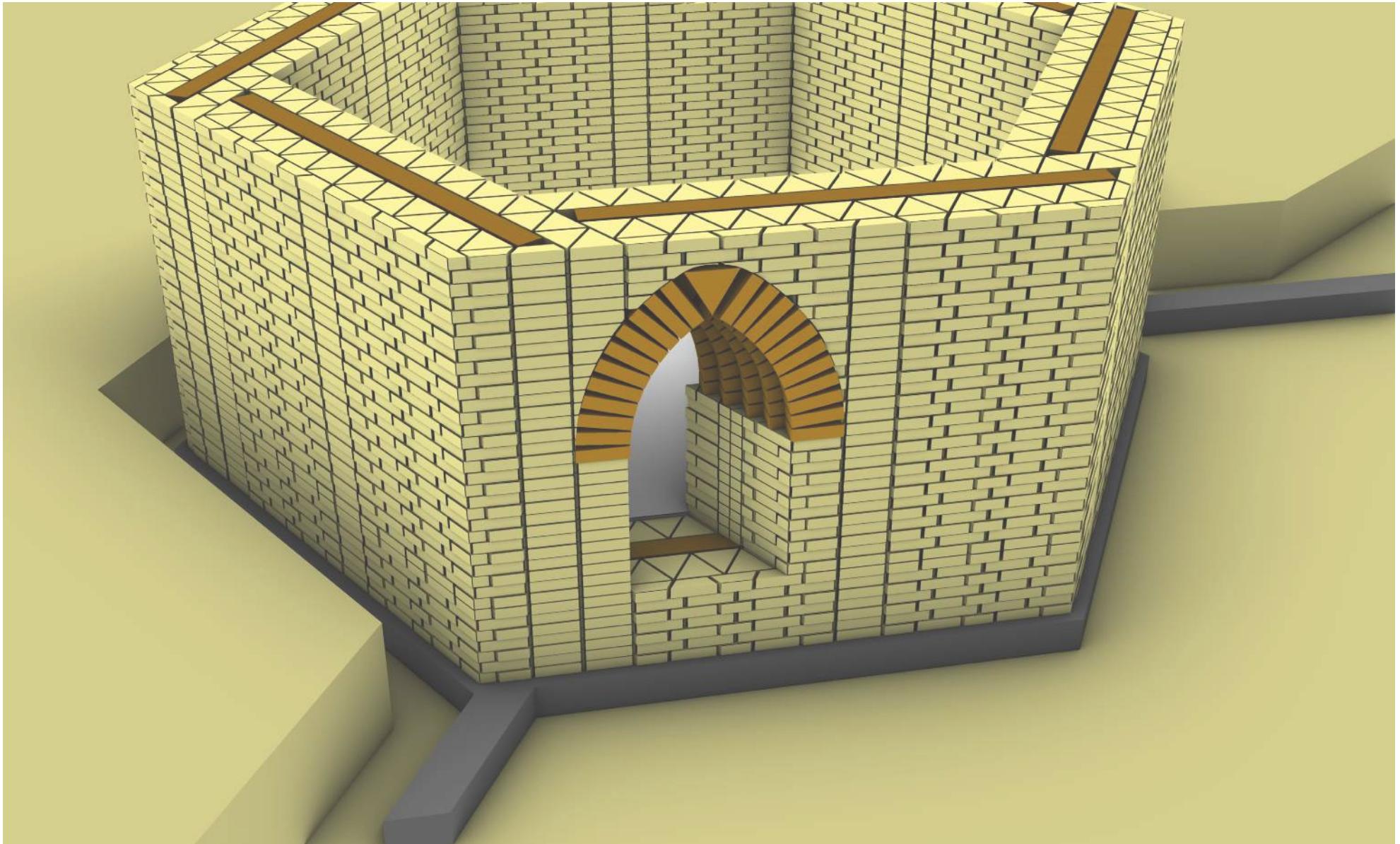
10) Set out door space and create outline with circles

### 3) Construction process



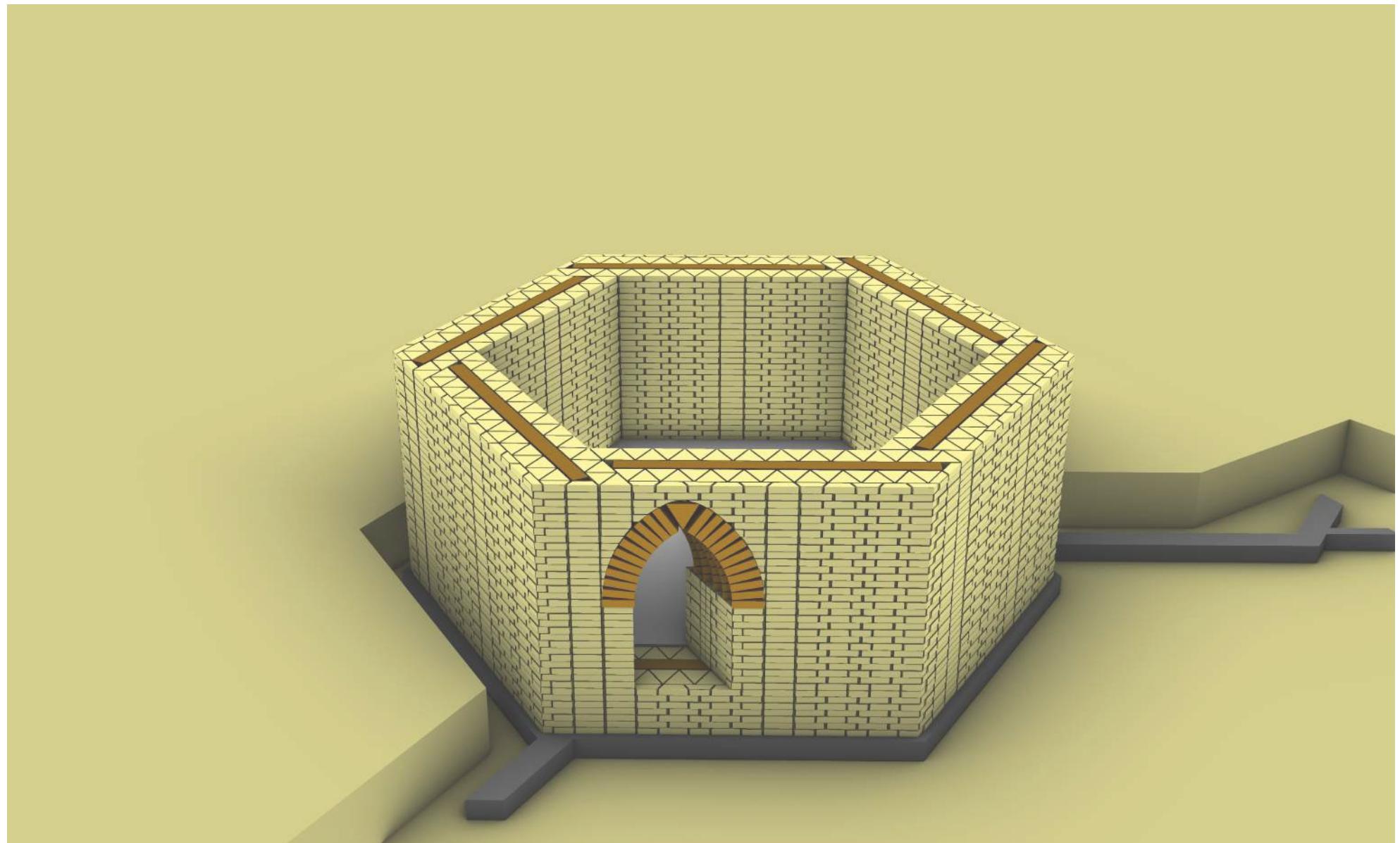
11) Build the door arch

### 3) Construction process



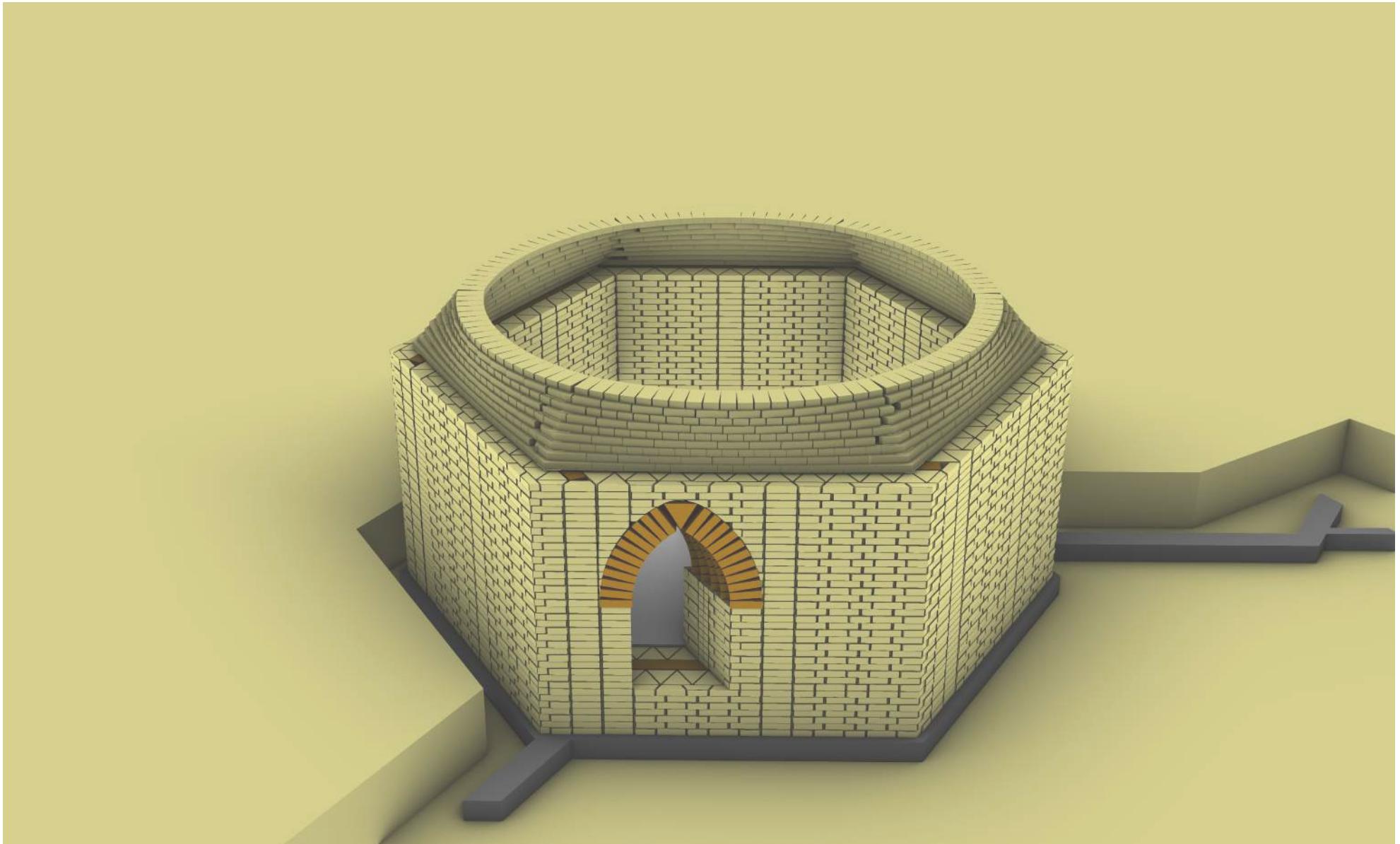
12) Build the rest of the wall

### 3) Construction process



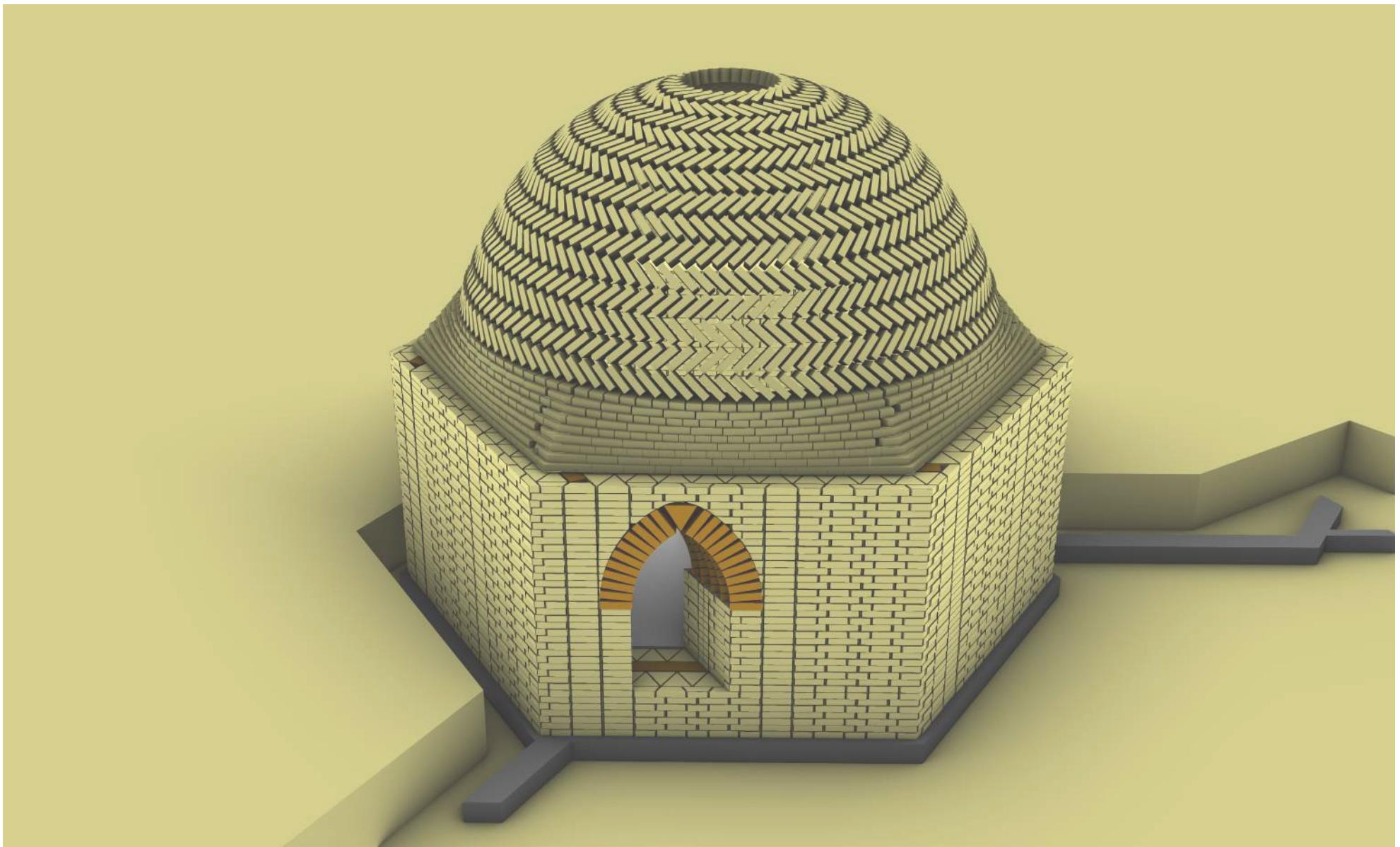
13) Set up construction space

### 3) Construction process



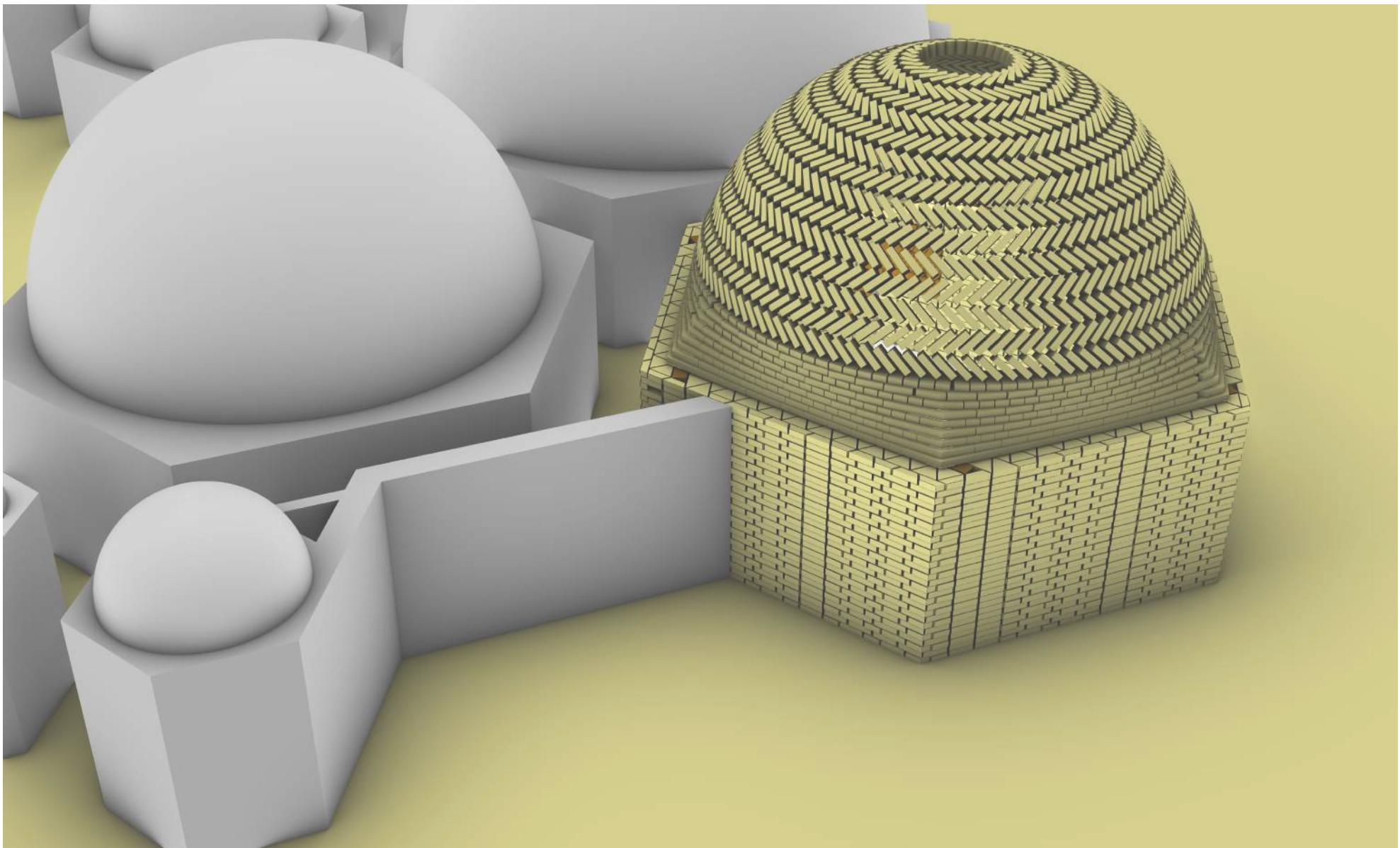
14) Build the first 9 layers to go from hexagon to circle

### 3) Construction process



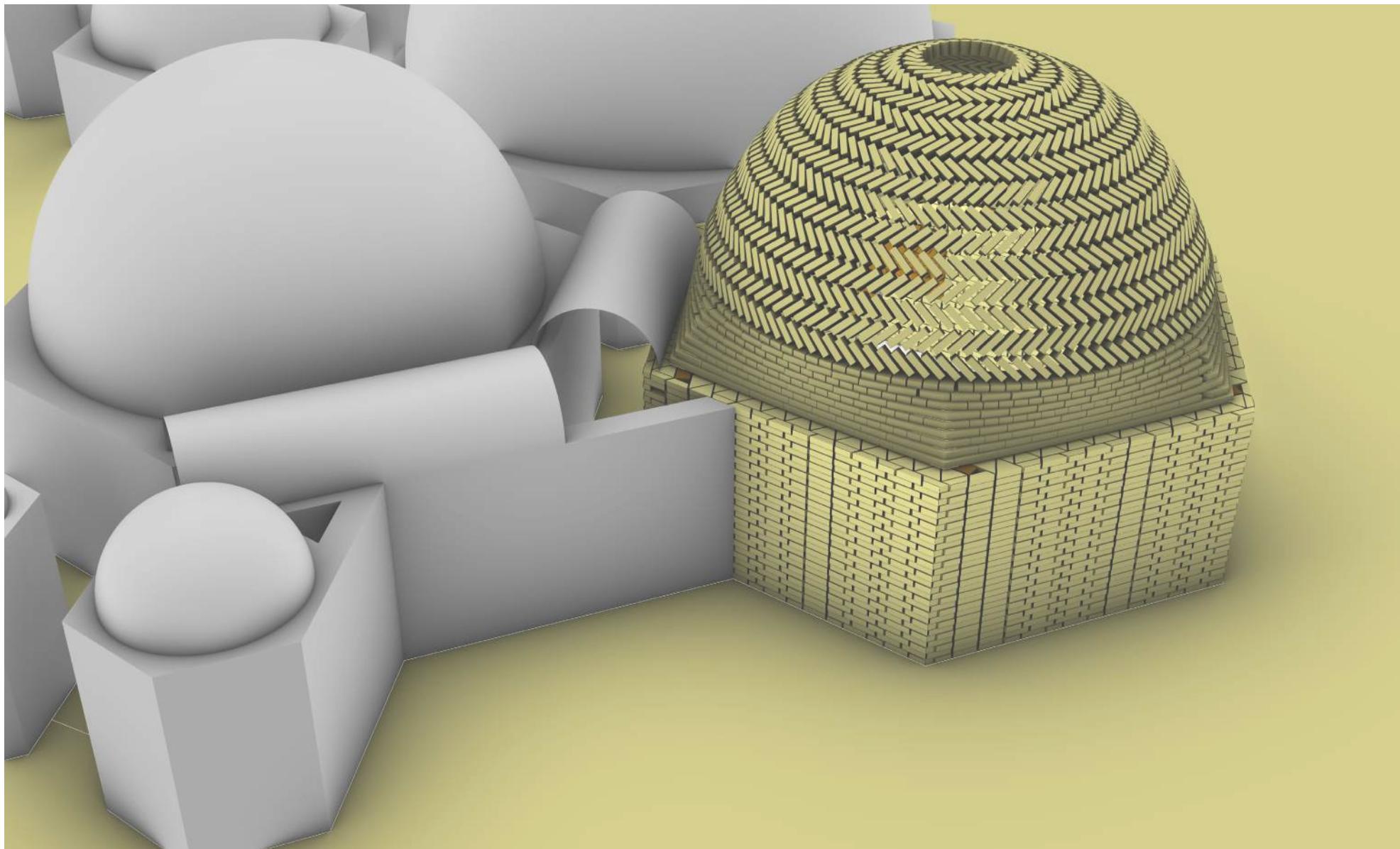
15) Build the rest of the dome

### 3) Construction process



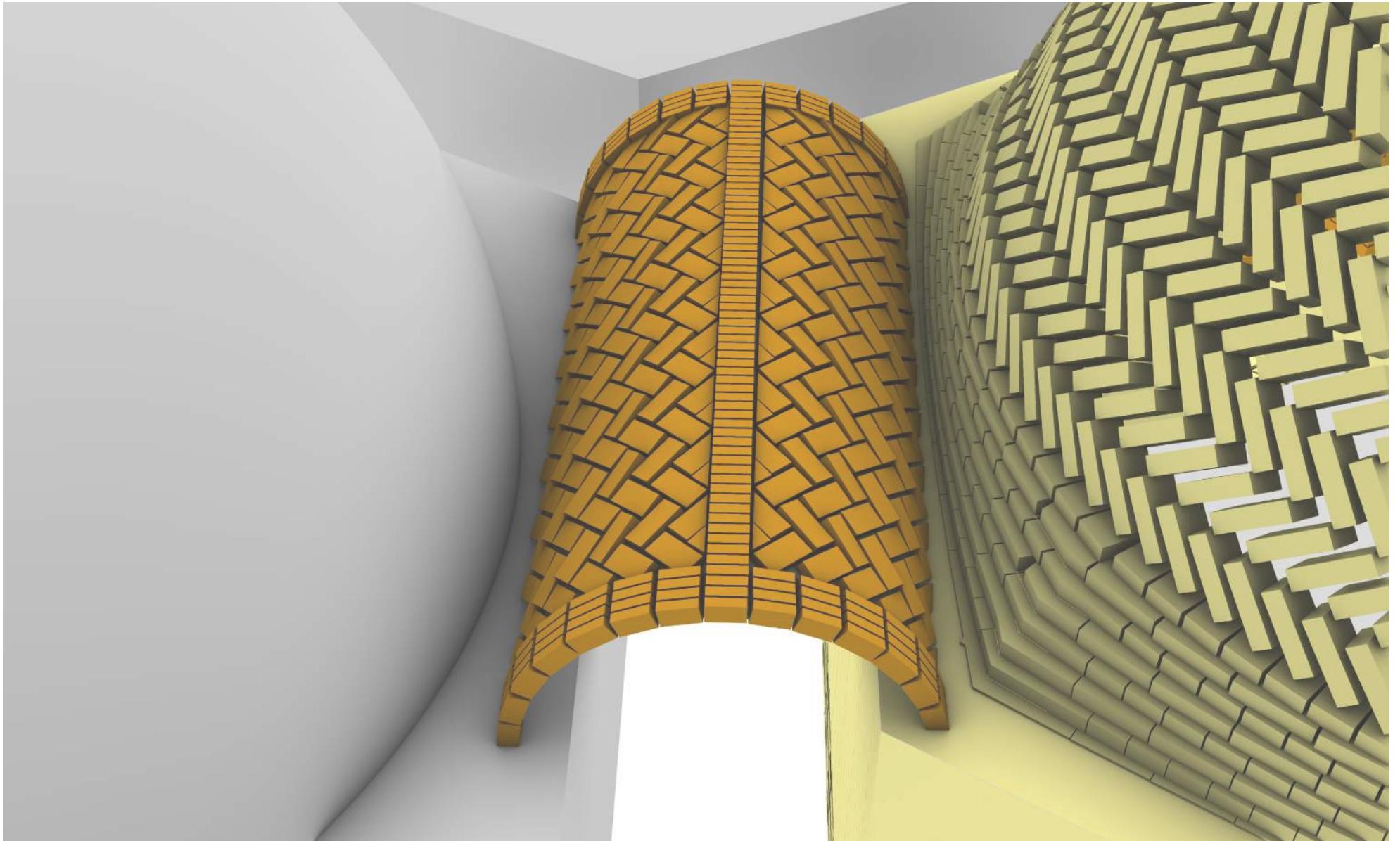
16) After the rest of all the domes are build, continue

### 3) Construction process



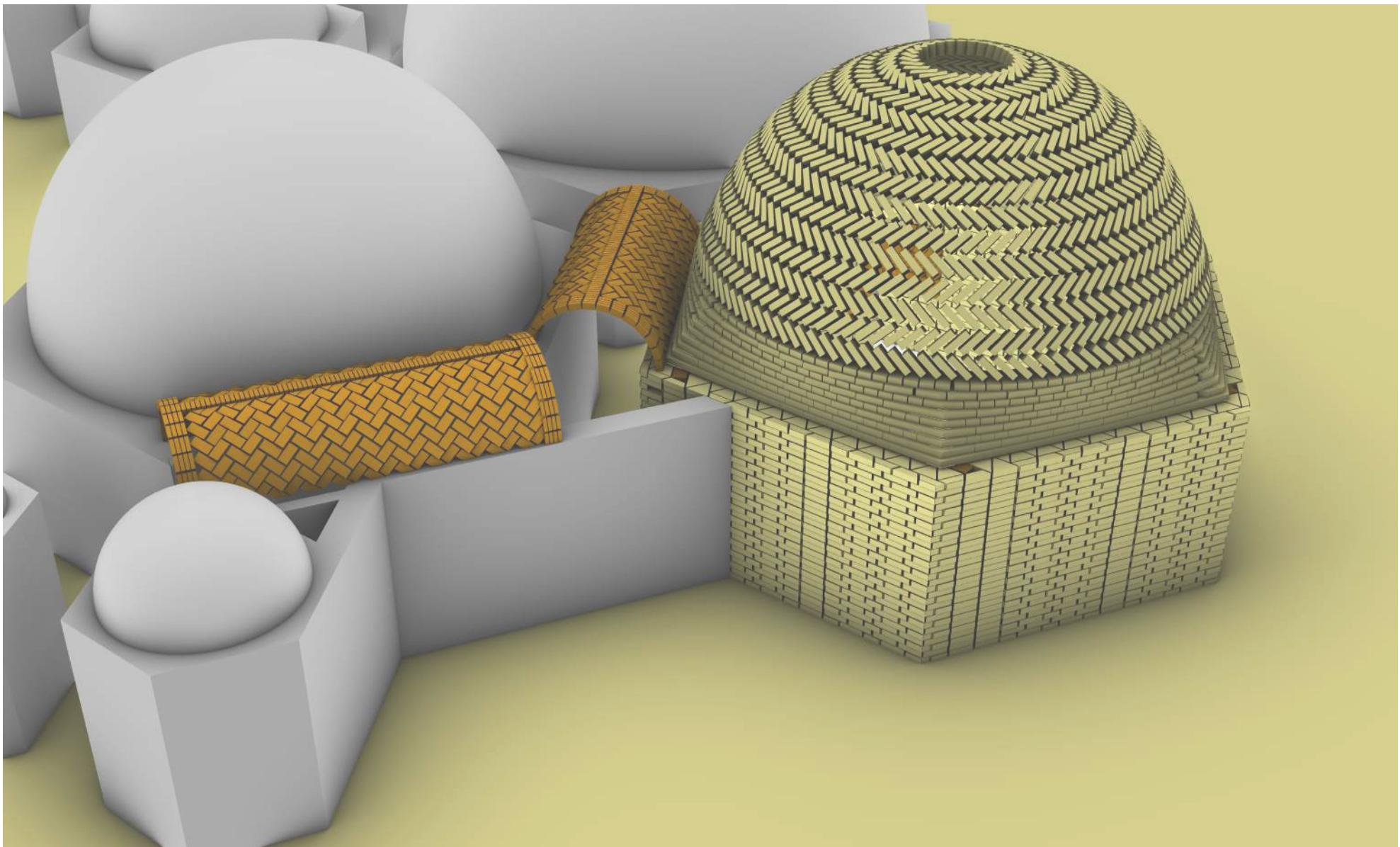
17) Set out the corridor spaces

### 3) Construction process



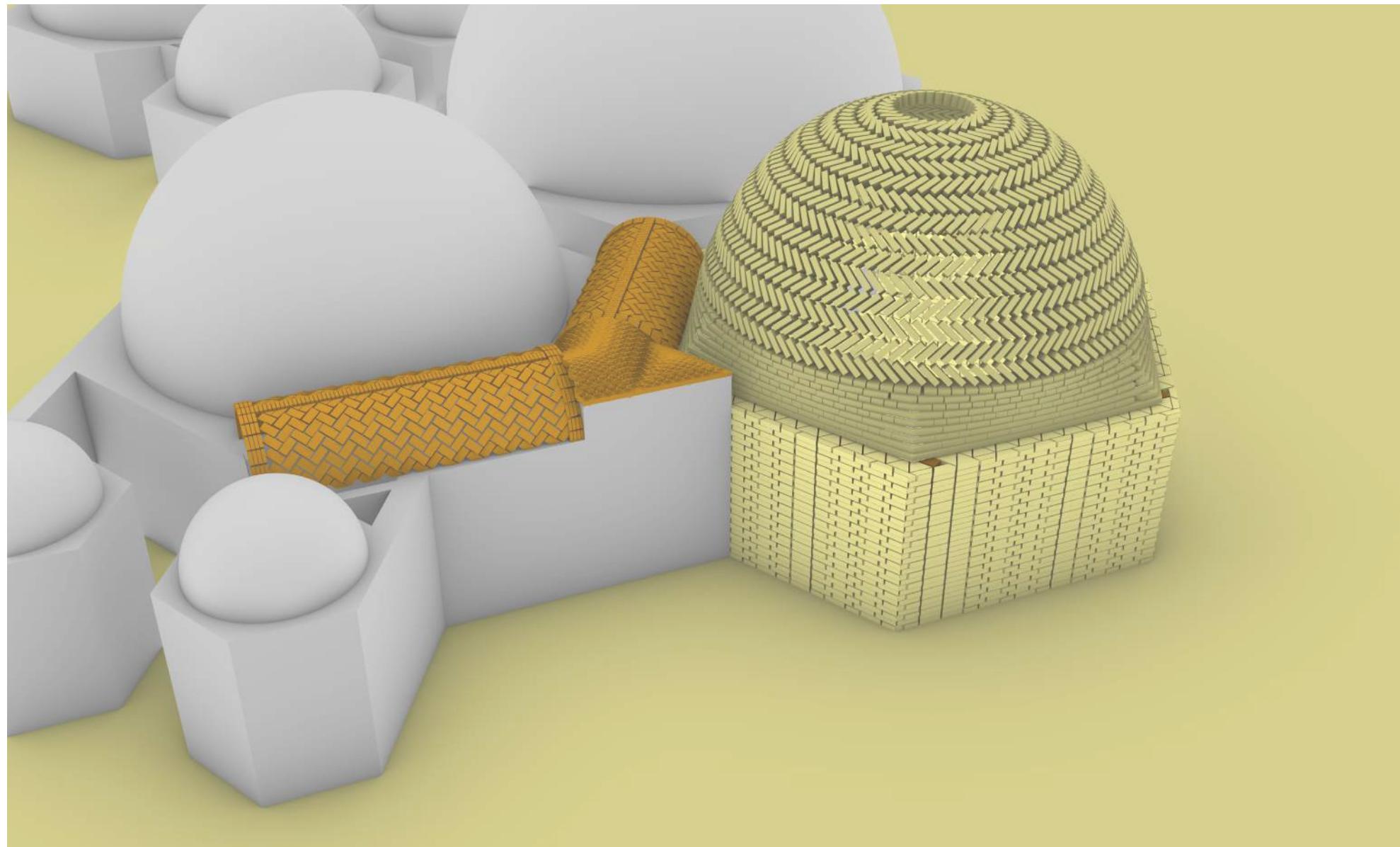
18) Basic vault bricklaying with normal arabic techniques

### 3) Construction process



19) Build all the vaults

### 3) Construction process

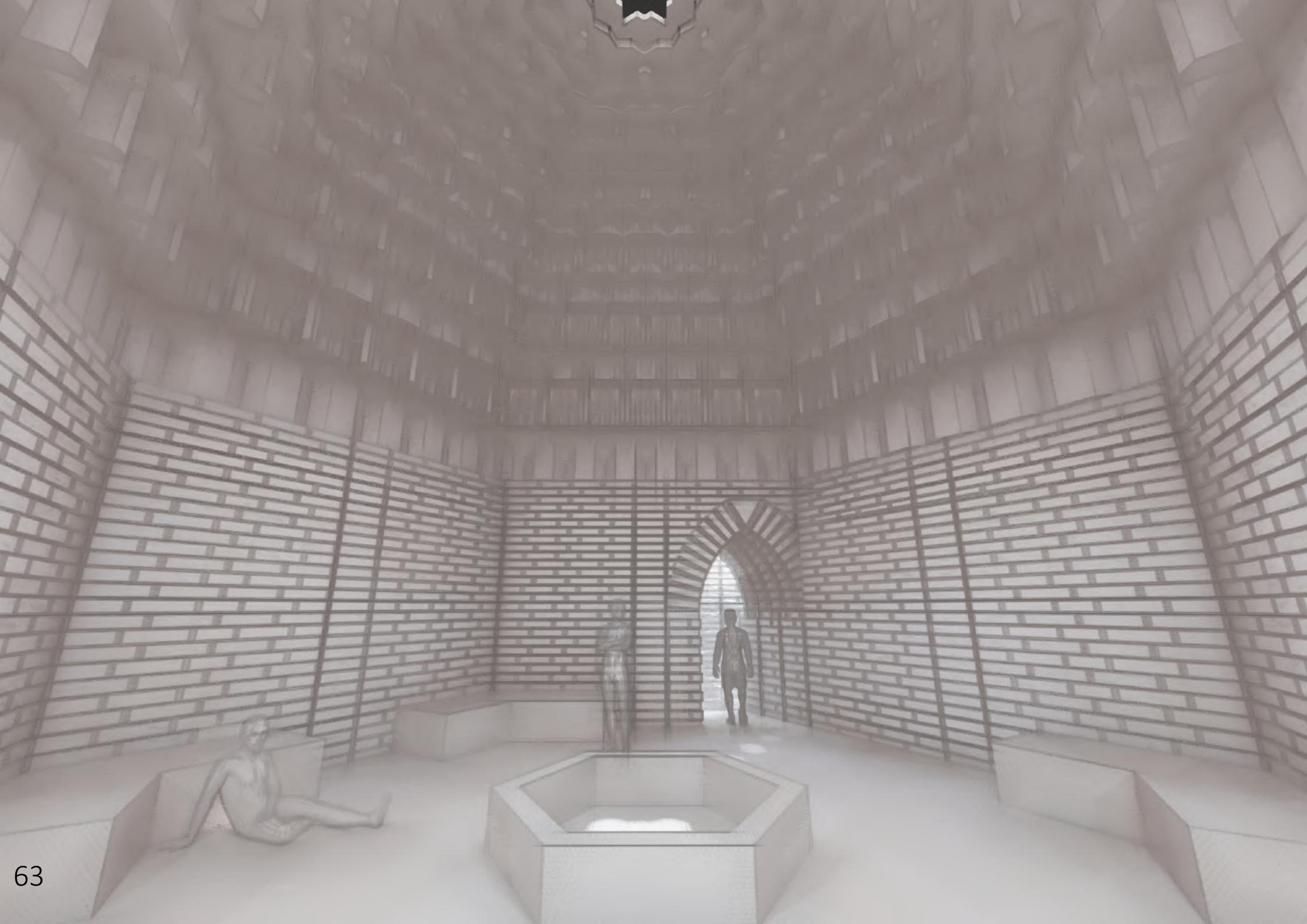


20) Build the connection spaces with muqarnas

### 3) Construction process

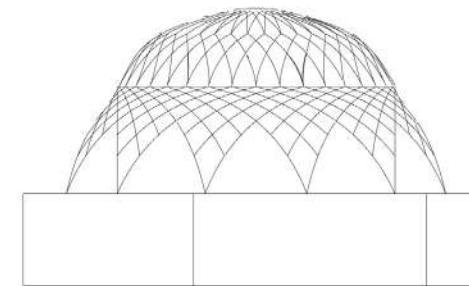
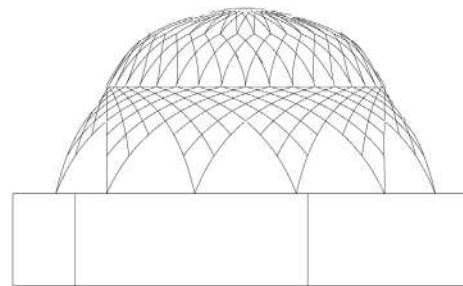
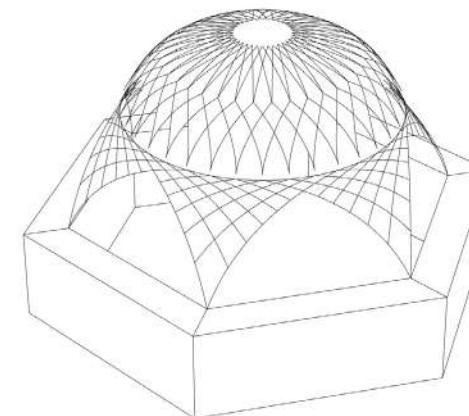
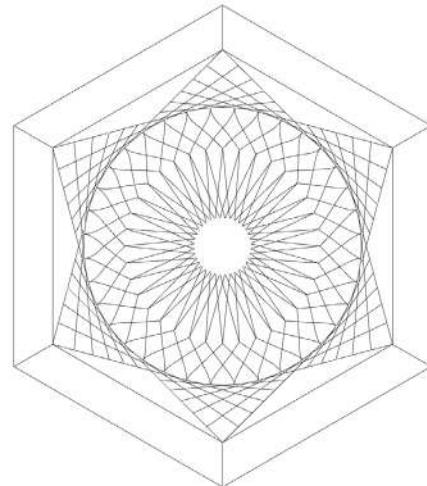


21) When everthing is built, fill everything with earth for second roof.



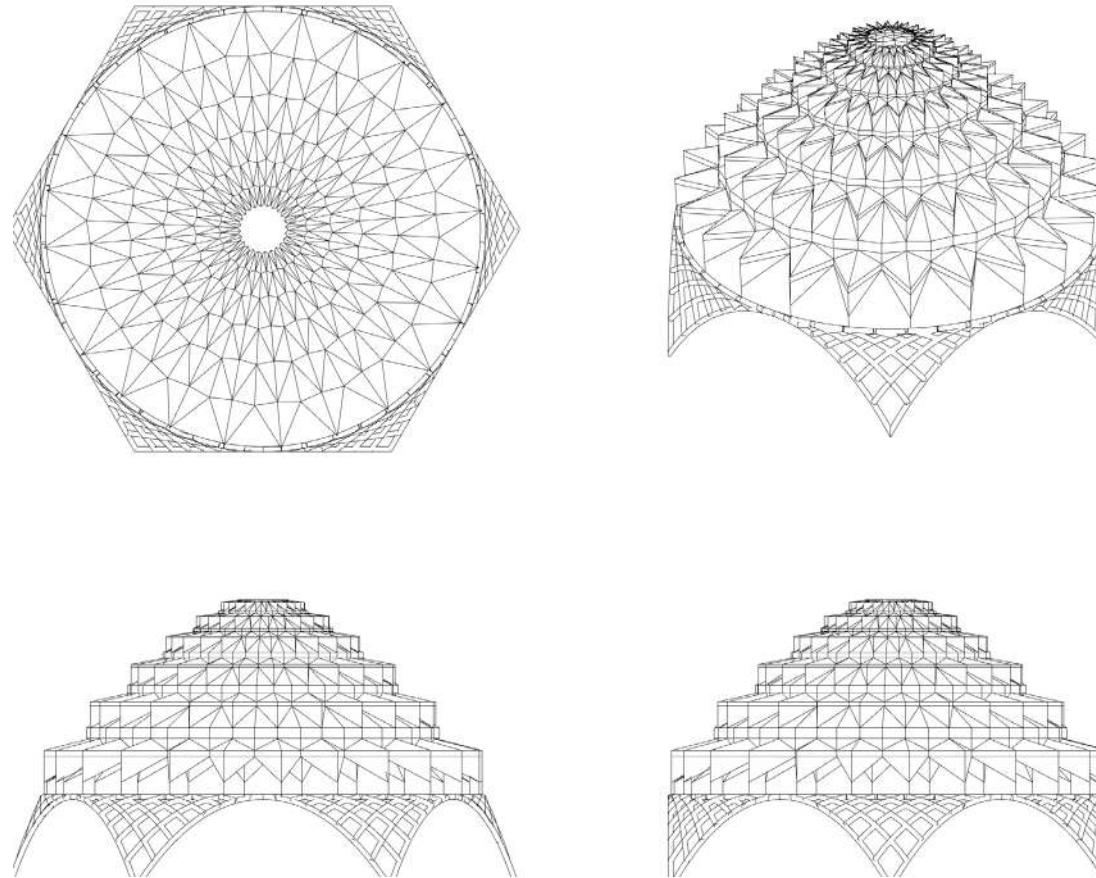
### 3) Constructing domes: Geometrical approach

We aimed to realize a aesthetically pleasing and visual structure for the dome of the hot house.



1st : Karbandi Pendentive and Dome

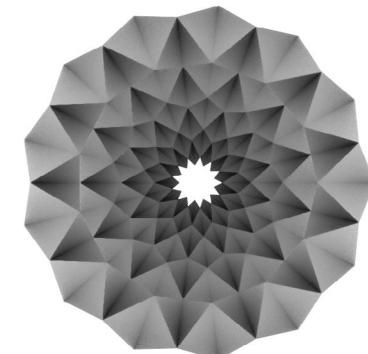
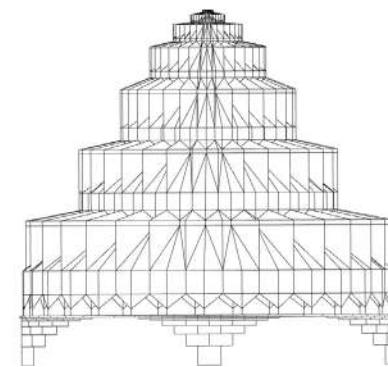
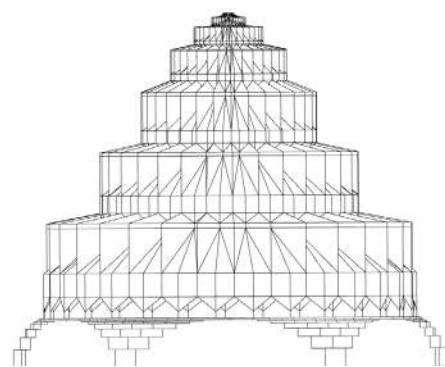
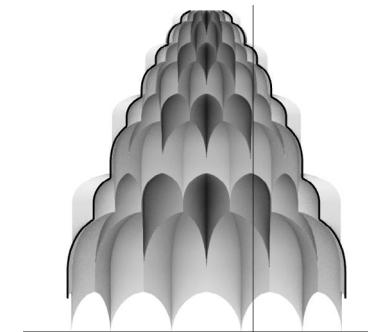
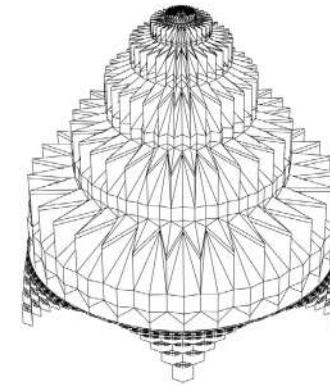
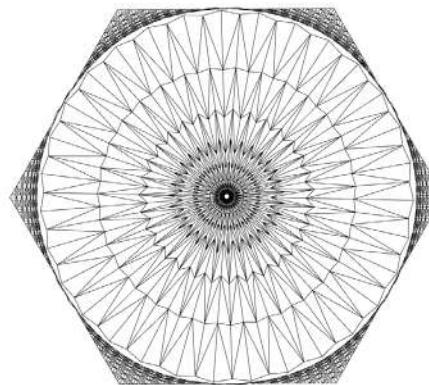
### 3) Constructing domes: Geometrical approach



2nd: Karbandi Pendentive and Murqarnass Dome

### 3) Constructing domes: Geometrical approach

Because of consistency then we tried to make pendentives and the dome from the muqarnas.



3rd: Karbandi Pendentive and Murqarnass Dome

### **3) Constructing domes: Geometrical approach**

Disadvantages:

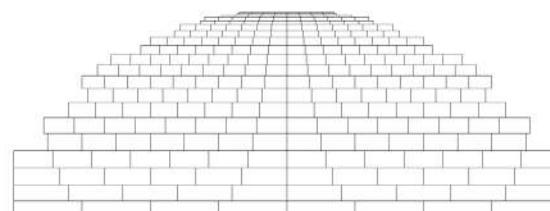
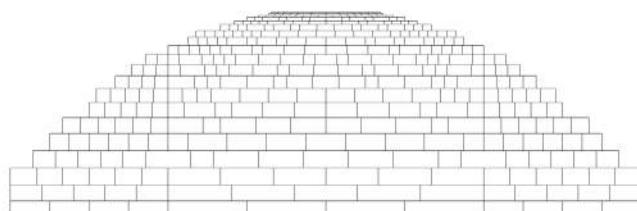
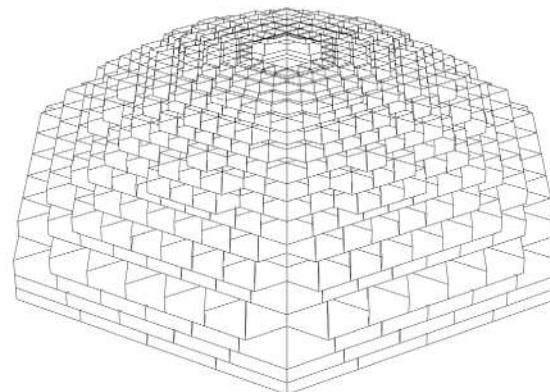
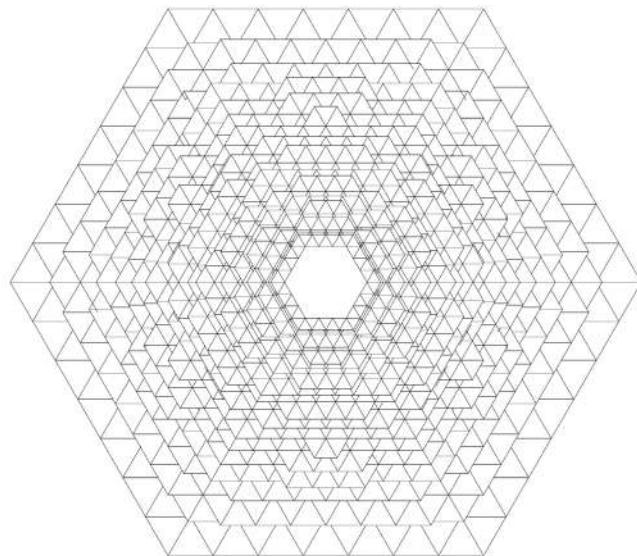
- Not following the tessellation
- The height and width has to be manually adjusts by sliders to get to simulate the form finding geometry
- Not working for asymmetrical shapes

... So we tried a topological approach

### 3) Constructing domes: Topological approach

Intersecting the chosen modules with the relaxed geometry.

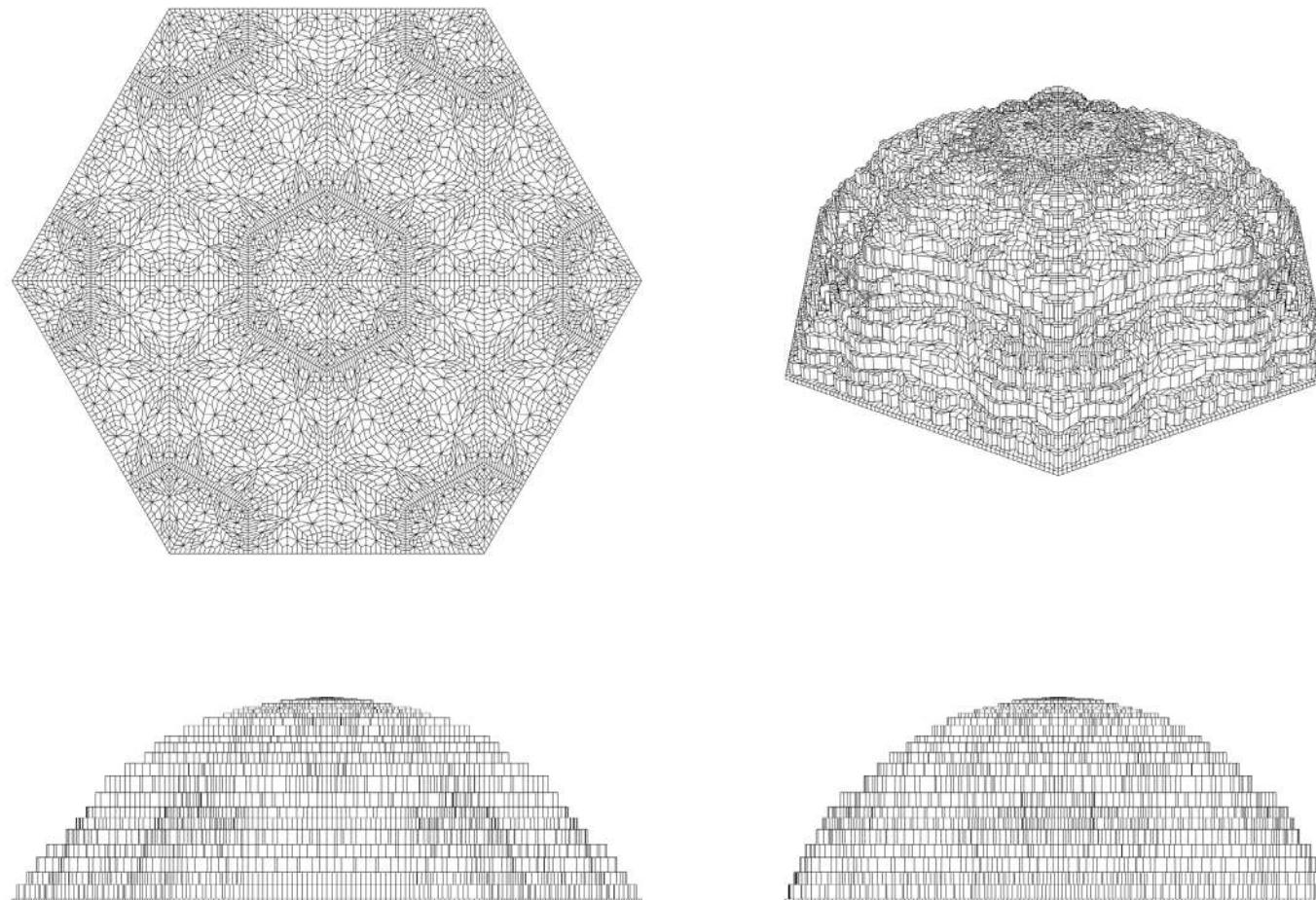
Unfortunately the modules can not be placed evenly on the input surface and in the corners as wished.



1st topological approach

### 3) Constructing domes: Topological approach

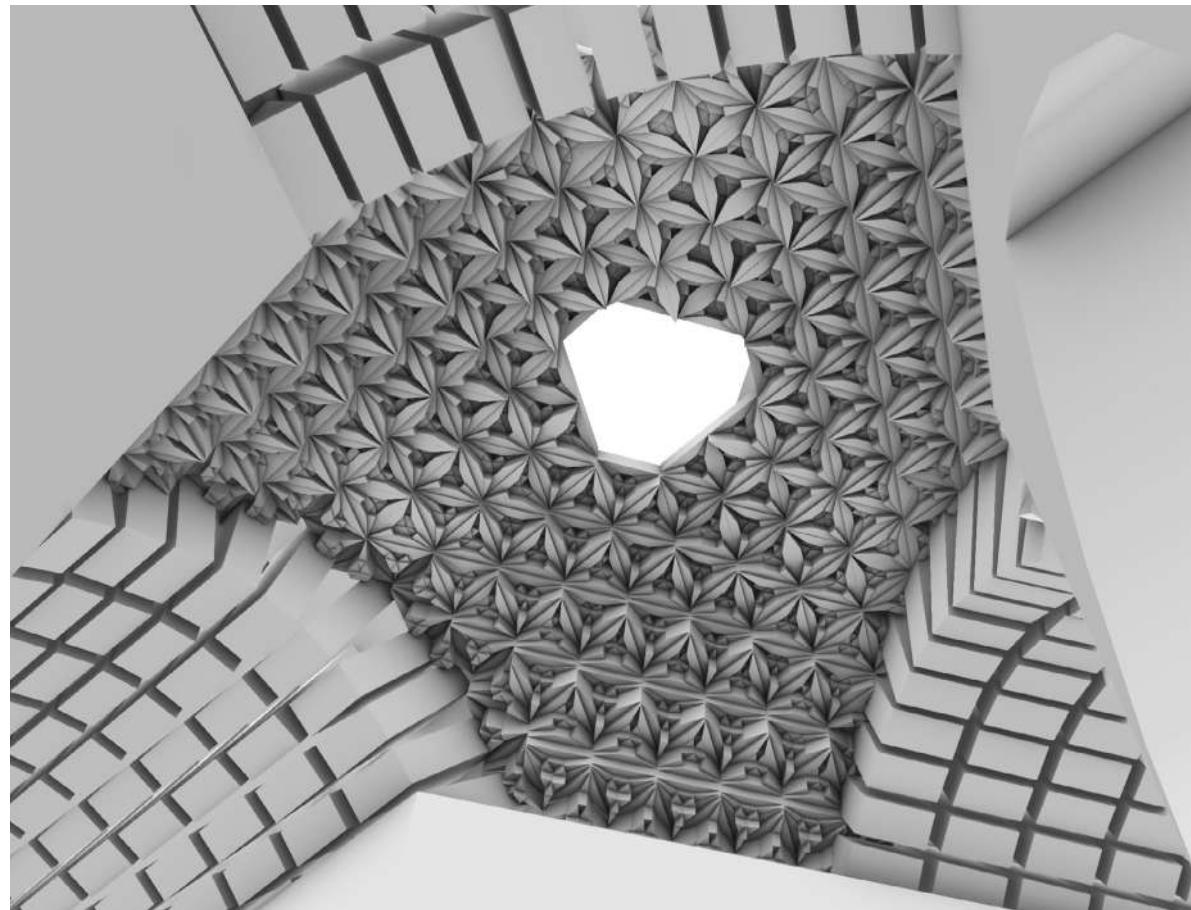
In this approach we defined each offset of the mesh tessellation as a muqarnas slab and intersected it with relaxed geometry.



2nd topological approach

### 3) Constructing domes: Topological approach

This time it worked with both different tessellations from simple ones to more complex ones and it worked even with asymmetrical shapes at junction of our corridors.



2nd topological approach , with asymmetrical shape

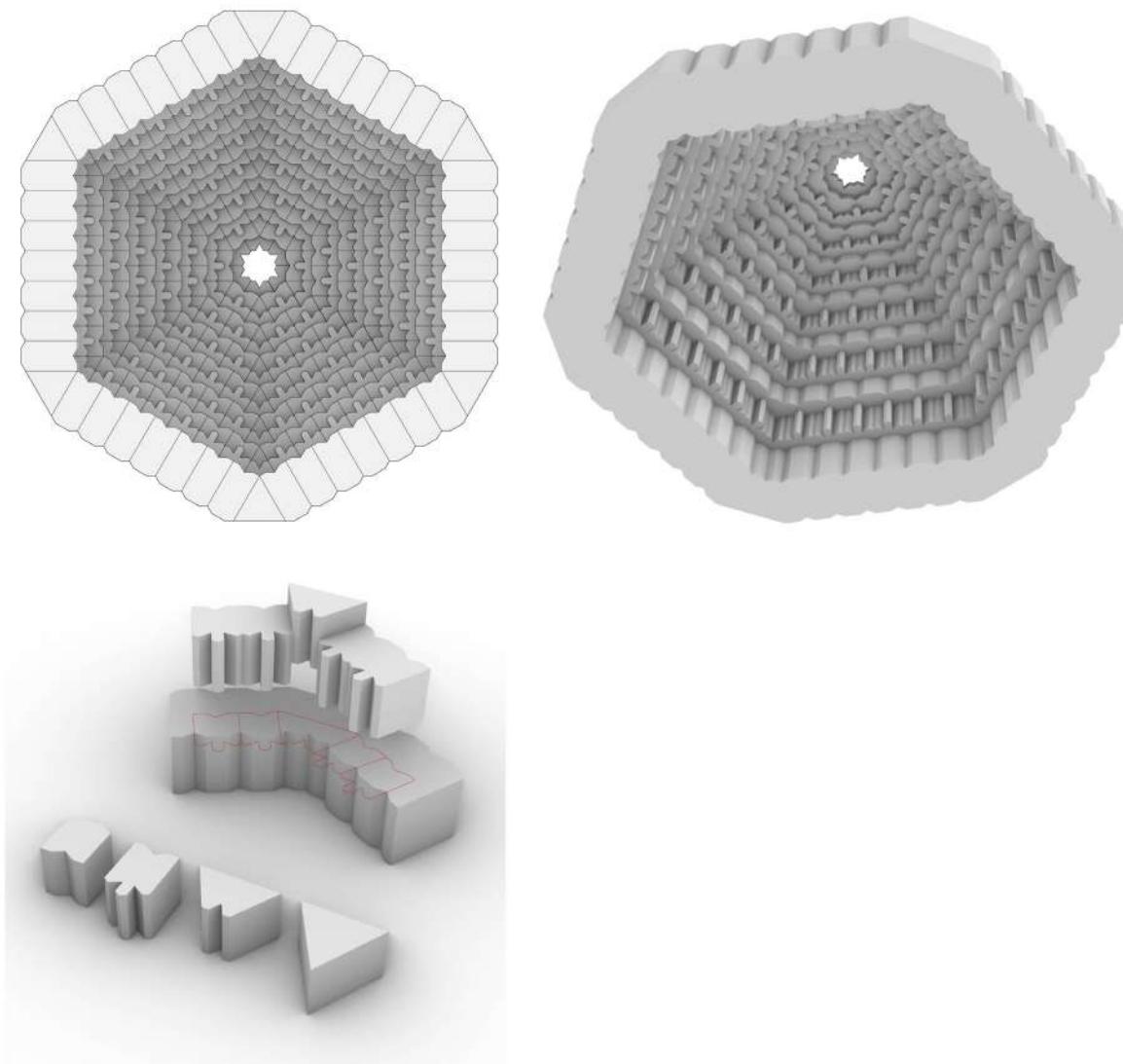
### **3) Constructing domes: Buildability**

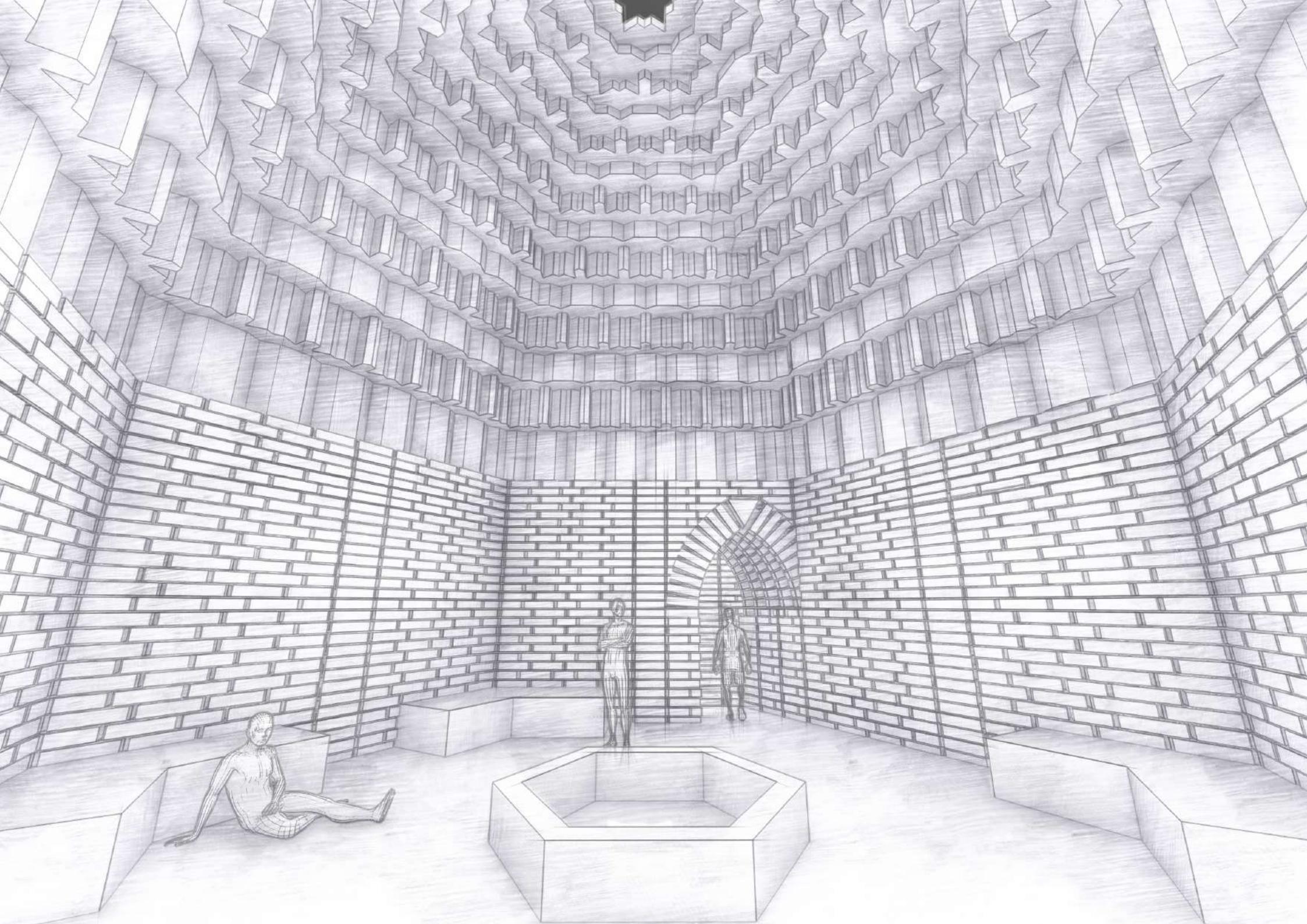
How to make a buildable murqanas dome:

More material to the back of the elements: increases structural stability

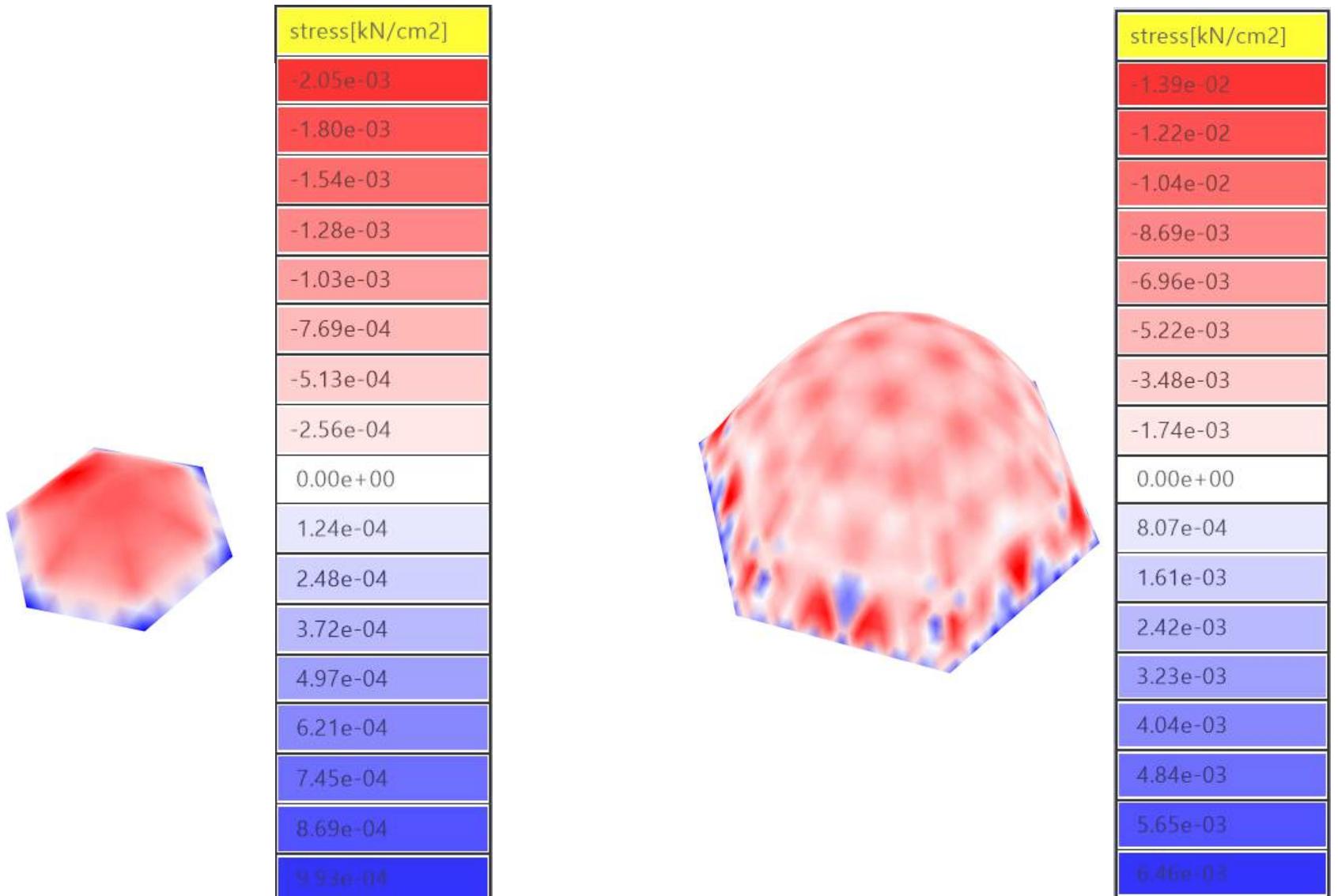
Intersecting the geometry with the inner face mesh to reduce the not needed parts.

### 3) Constructing domes: Buildability

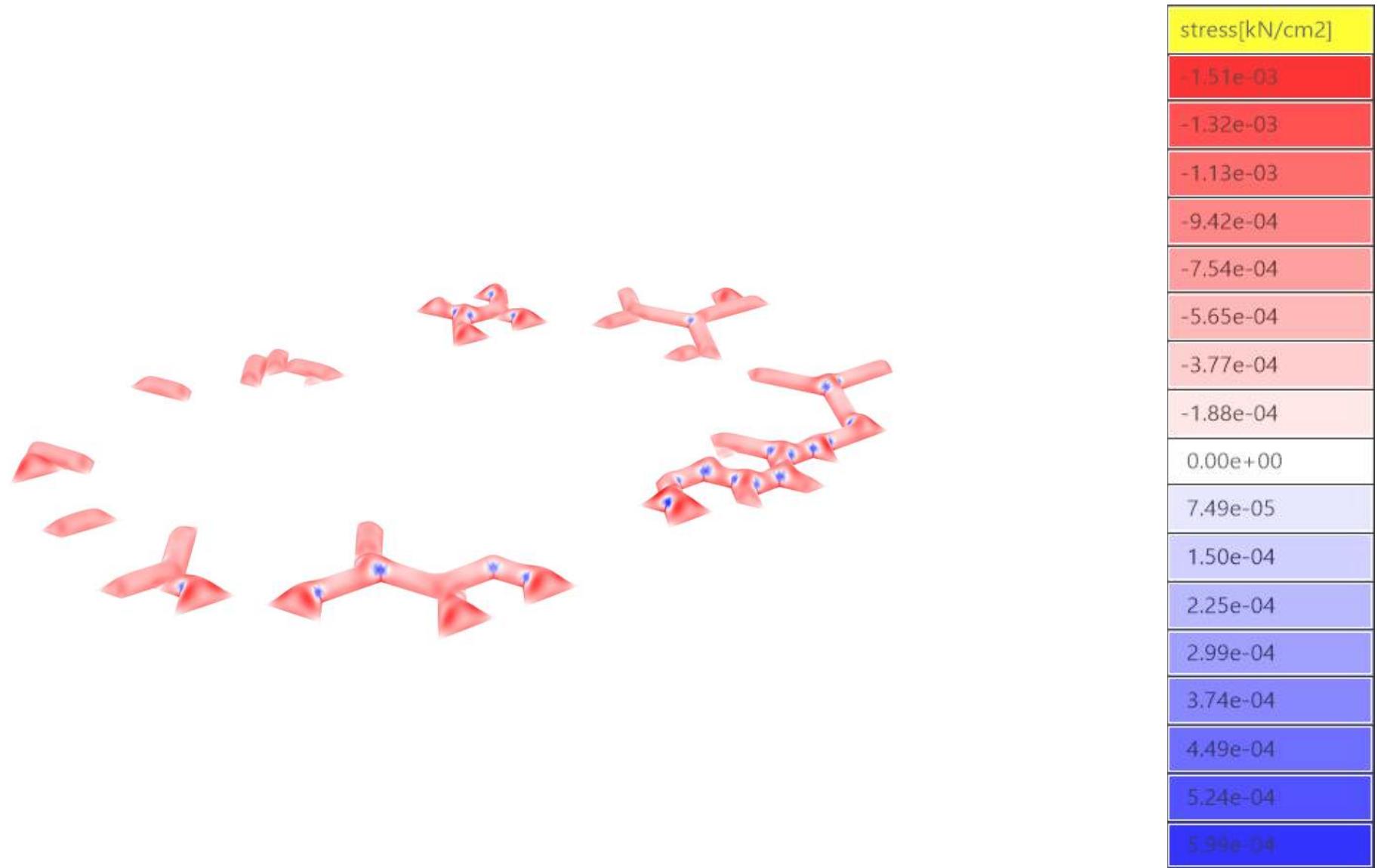




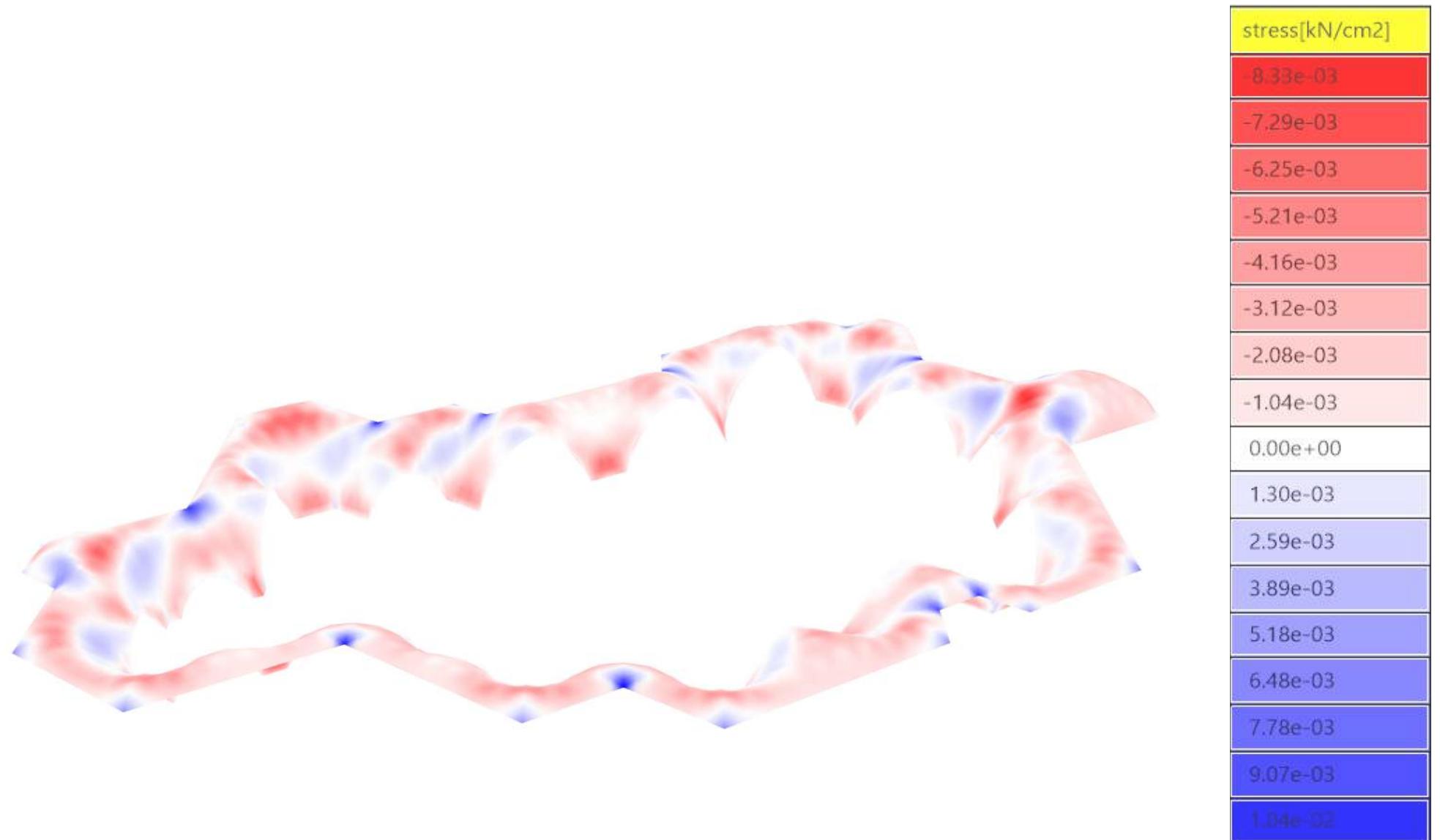
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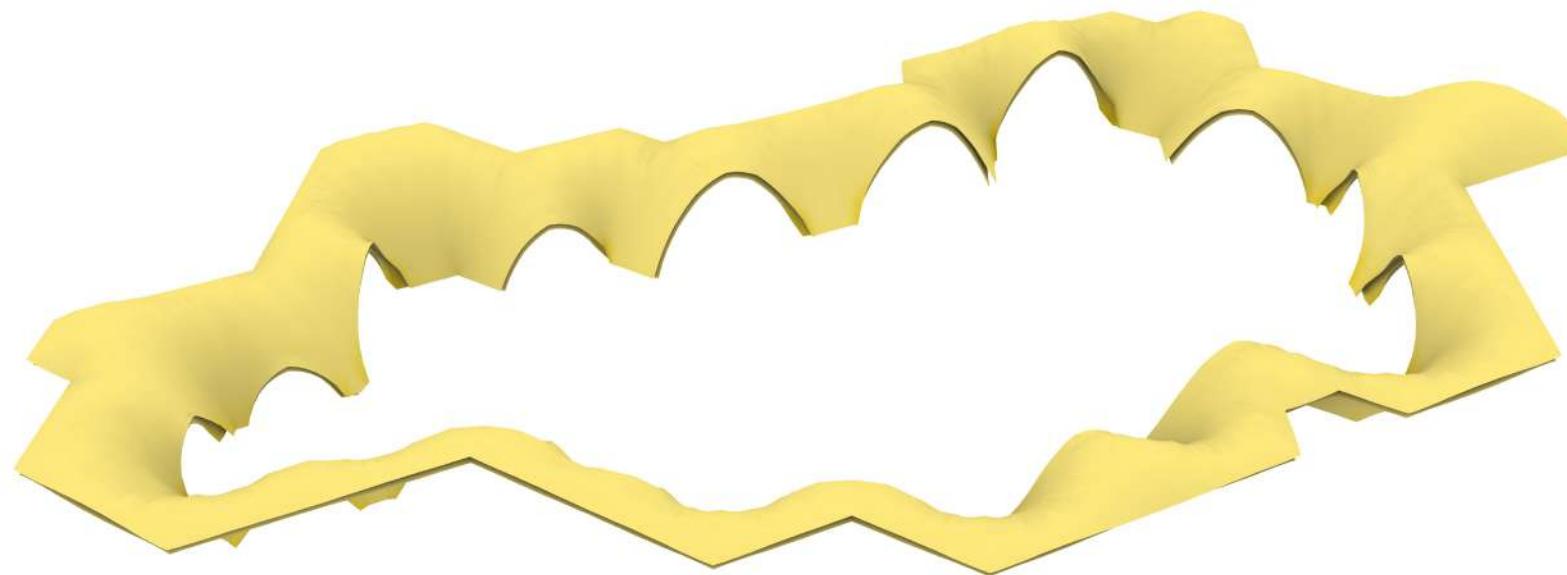
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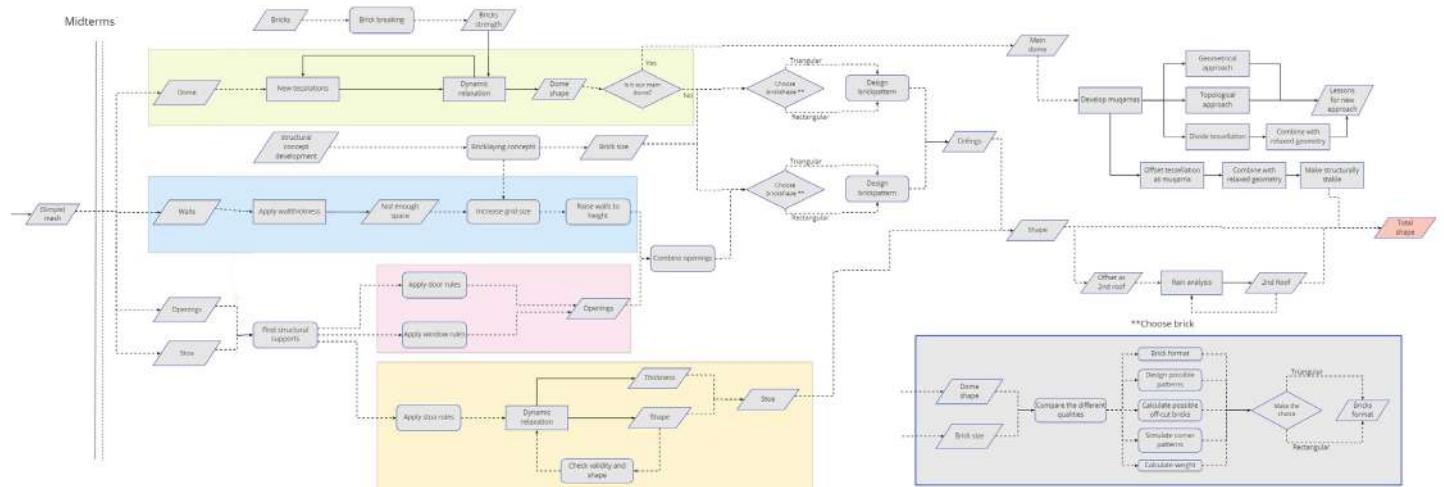
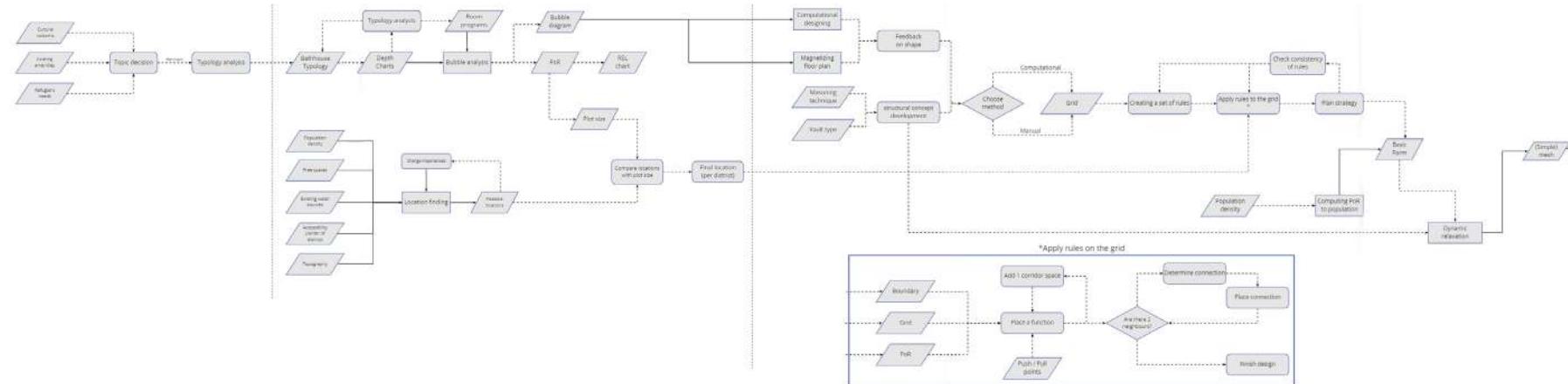


#### 4) Structure Analysis





# Flowchart:



## 5) Final Product and Visualisation



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## Section in length



**Thank you for your attention**

