

# DTI PART 4 | DELIVER

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3D rendering of site

## Site analysis

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Graph of people taking the lift

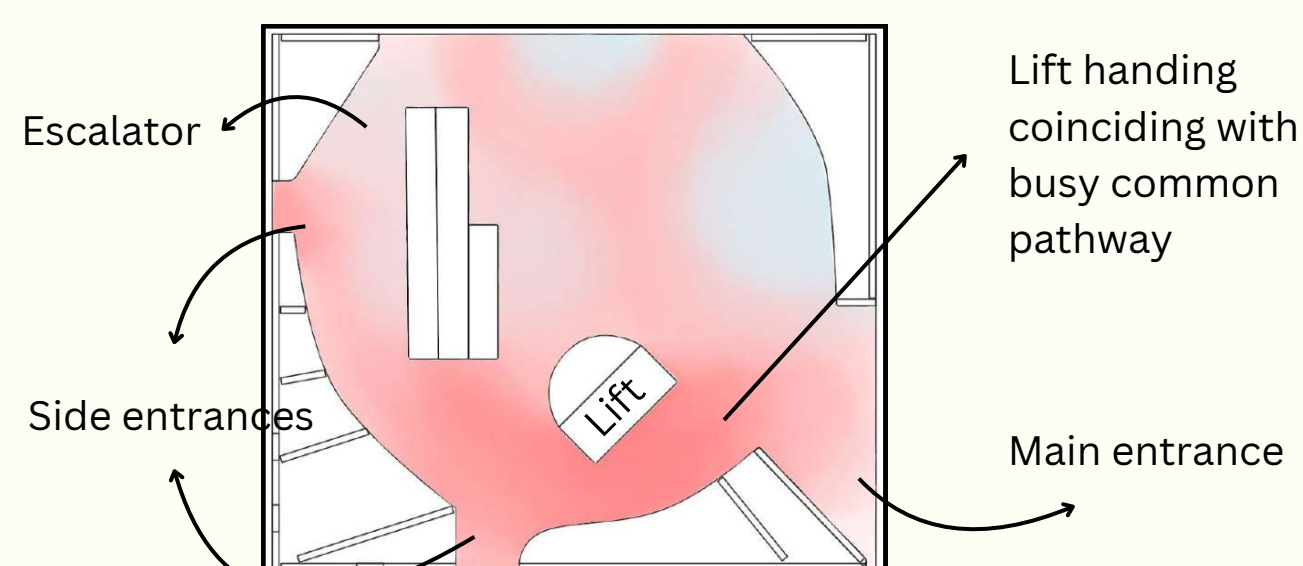
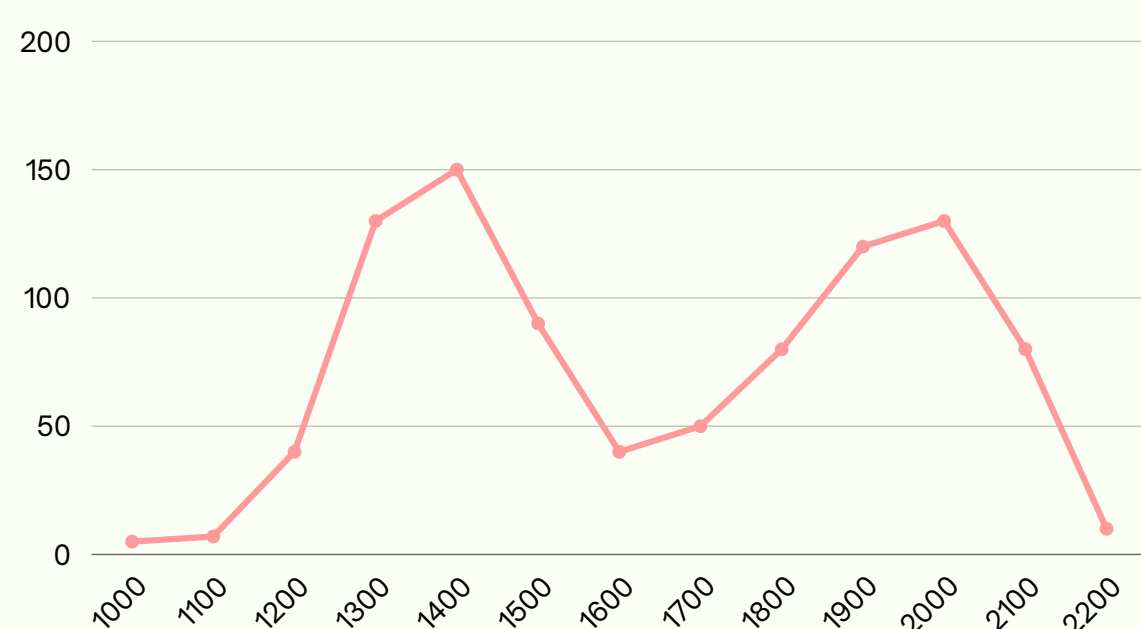


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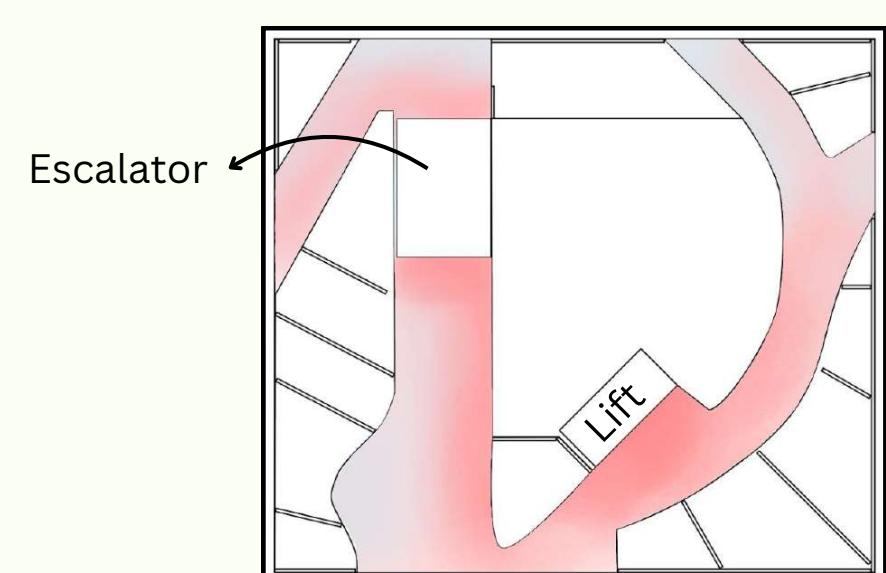


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Legend:



## User testing & is it worth it

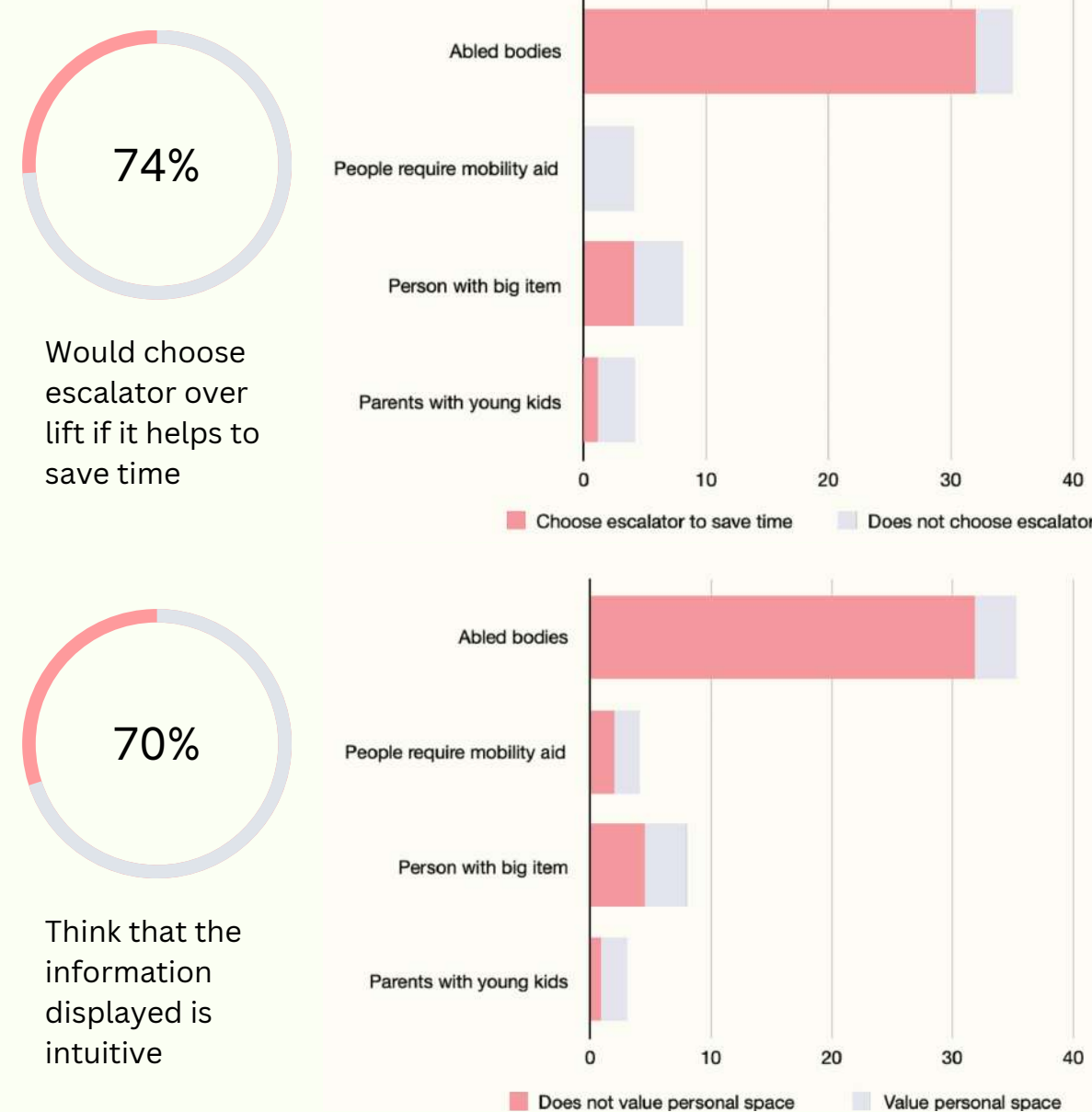
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Conclusion drawn from user testing

Problem: uneasiness due to lack of information for passengers waiting outside the lift.

Target groups :

1. Crowded periods: everyone who is willing to take the escalator over the lift in the case that taking the escalator is faster
2. Lull periods: People who who greatly value their personal space over the convenience of taking the lift rather than the escalator



Some feedback we have gathered:

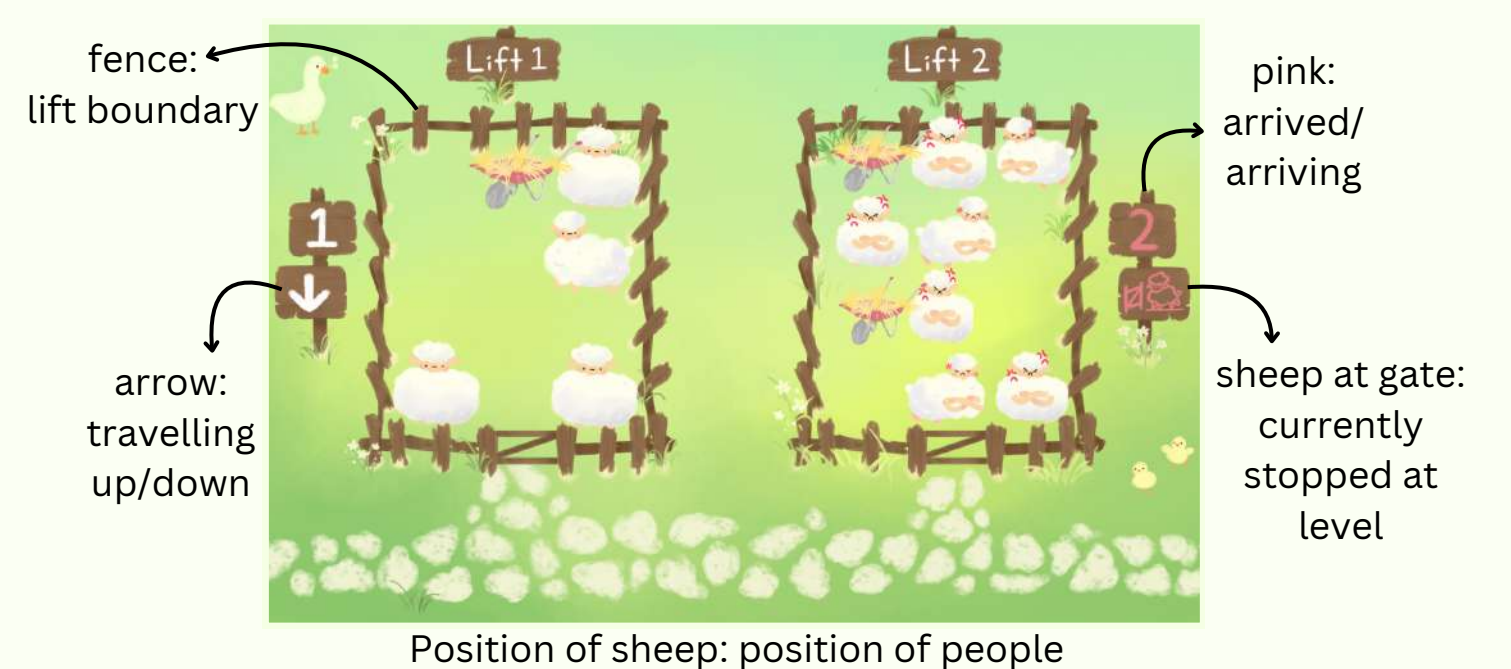
- changing the display after a period of time; gather art drawn by public to further engage users
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## Solution

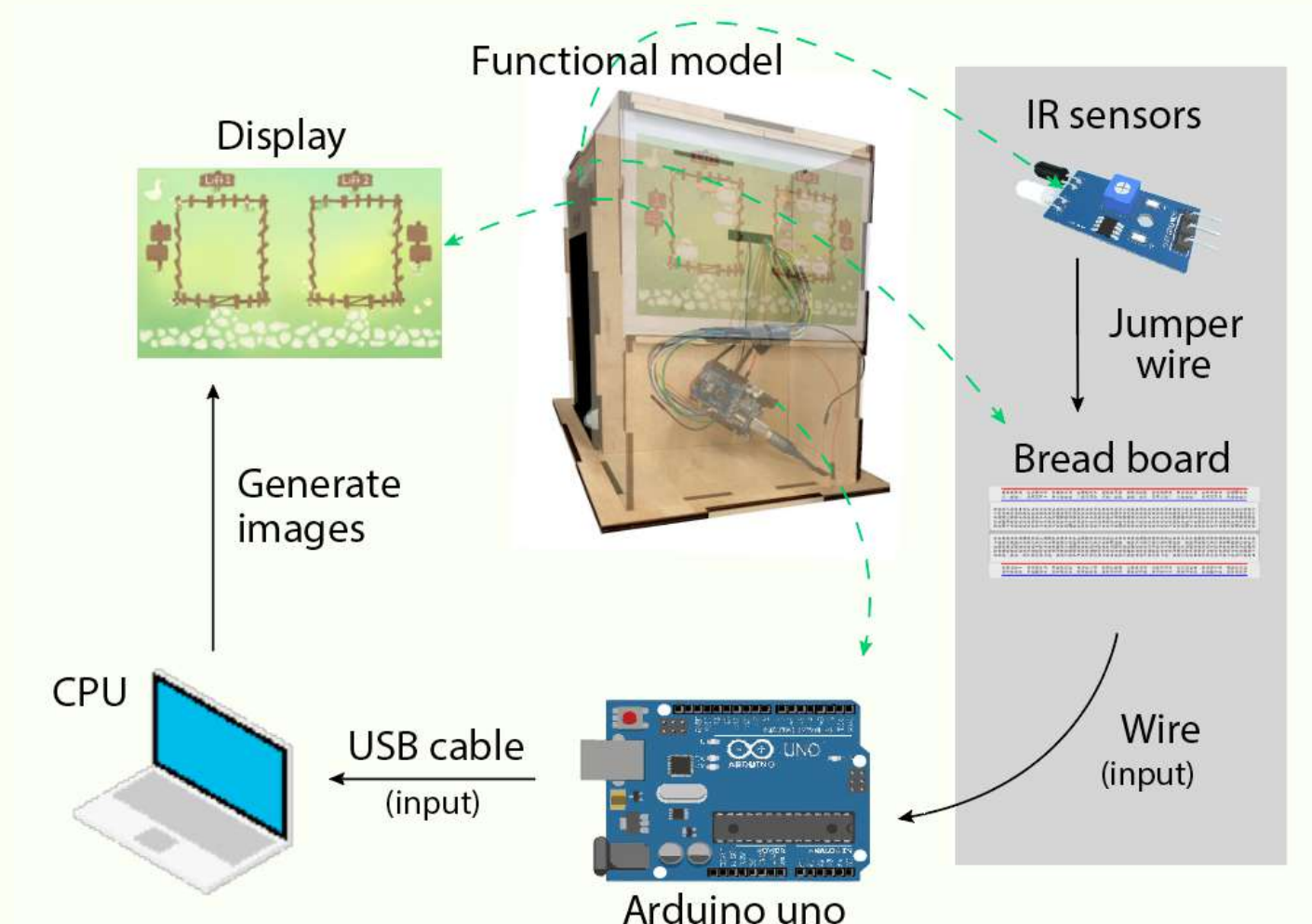
A system which detects position of passengers and objects in the lift and displays it as visual representation, facilitating the conveyance of information from people in the lift to outside the lift.

## Design Goal & Legend

Fun variations in display design to attract attention and provide entertainment.



## Electrical components







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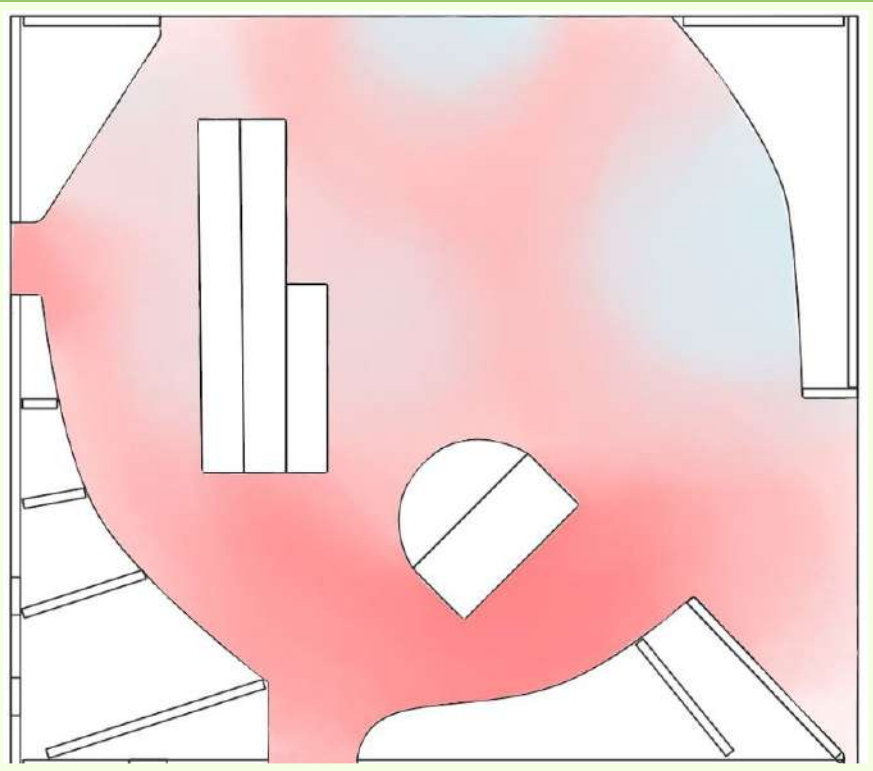


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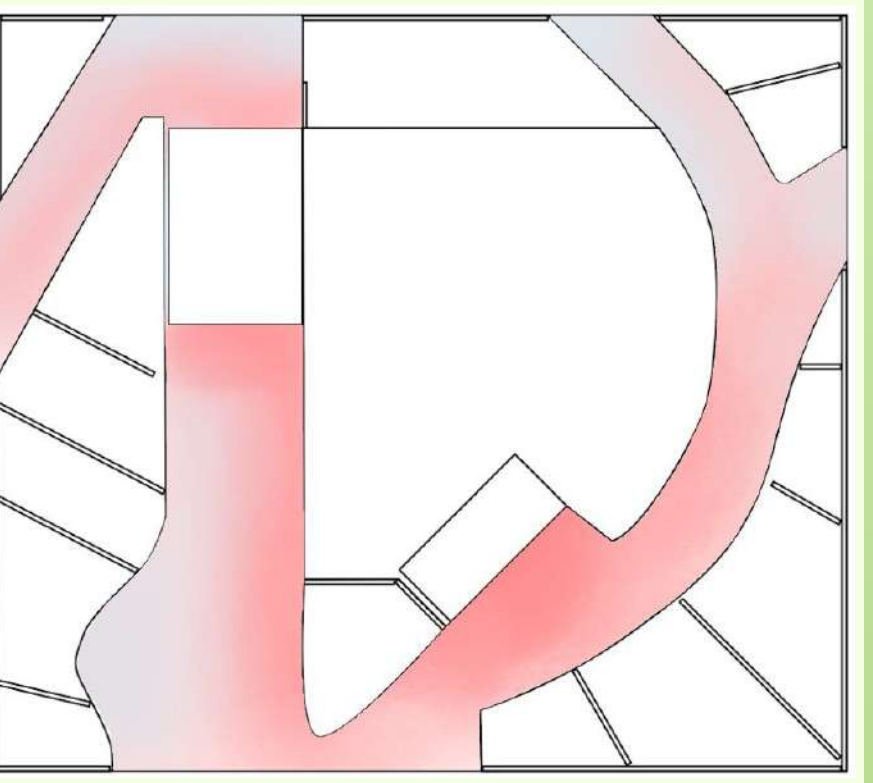


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### Design elements

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### User testing

Two main target groups

- General group - everyone who is willing to take the escalator over the lift in the case that taking the escalator is faster
- Those who greatly value their personal space over the convenience of taking the lift rather than the escalator - when it is less crowded



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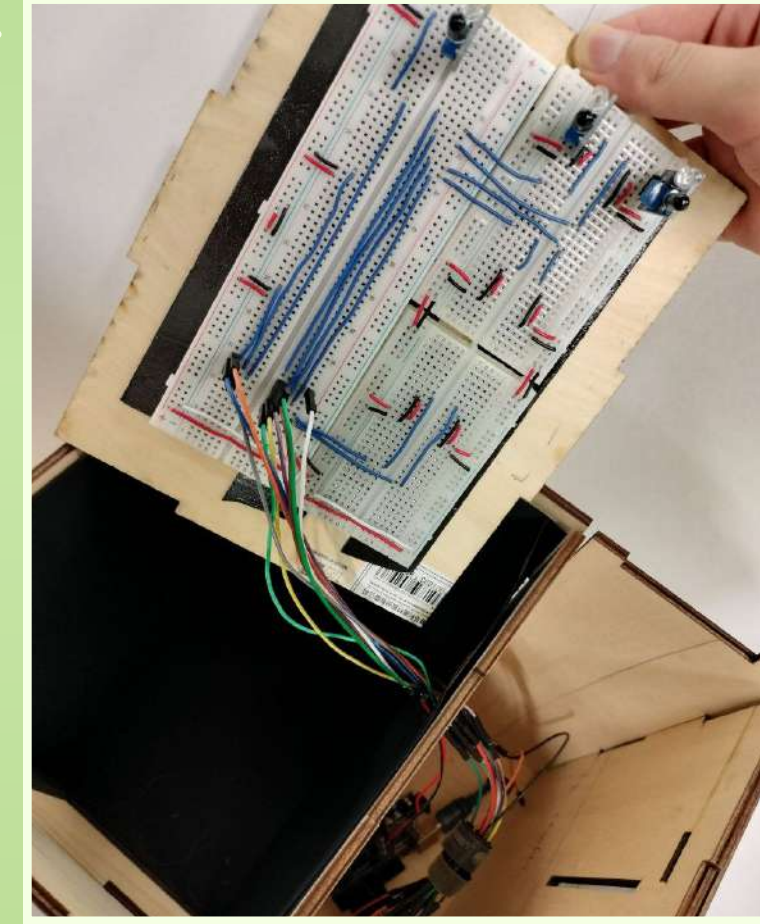
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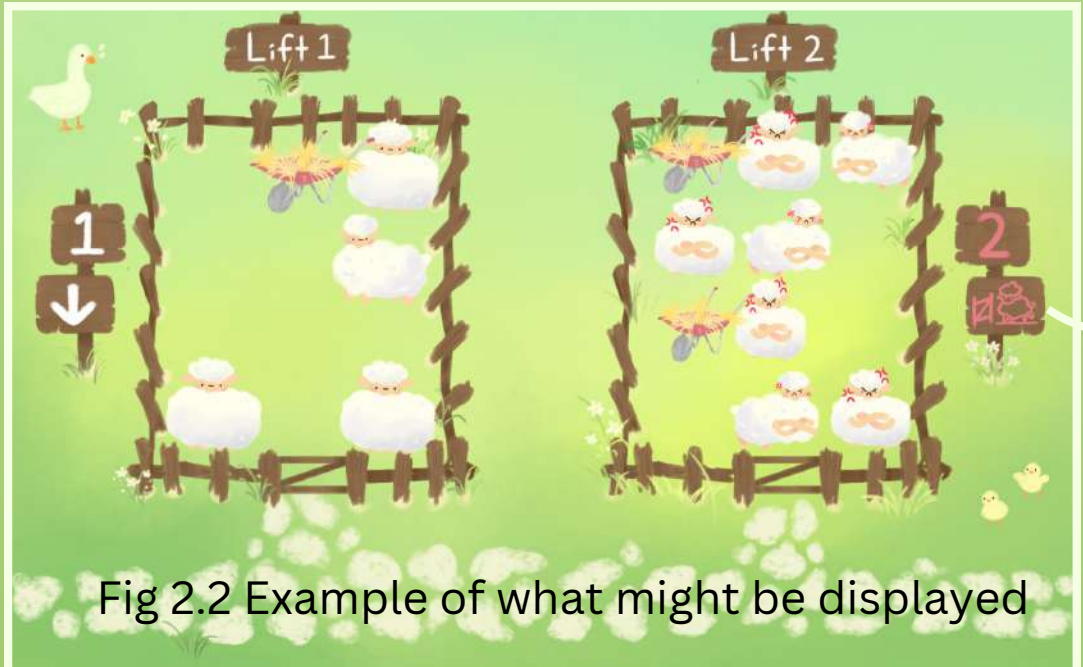
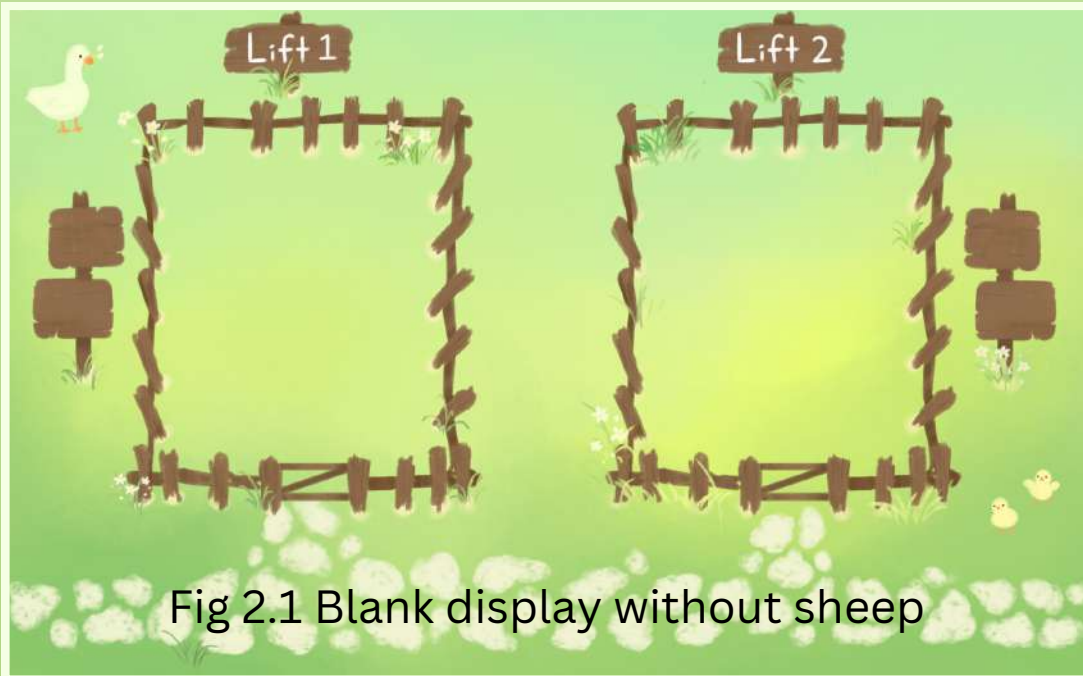


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### Electrical components:



The Infrared (IR) sensors are placed in a grid like arrangement, where each is used to detect a region in the lift. The screen display would then change depending on the readings from the sensors grid



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### Story board

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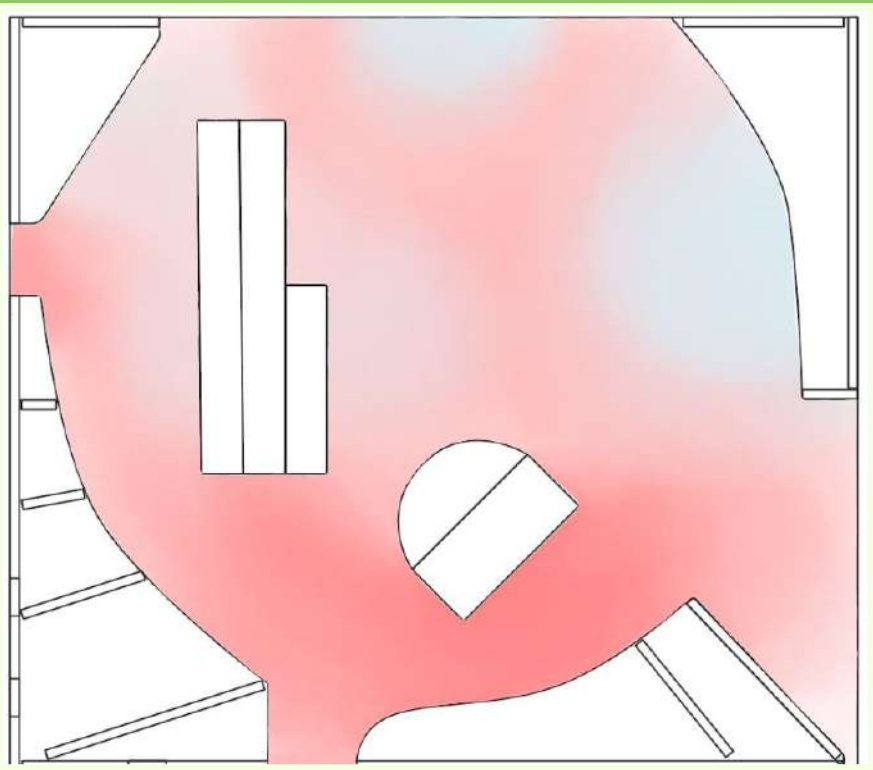


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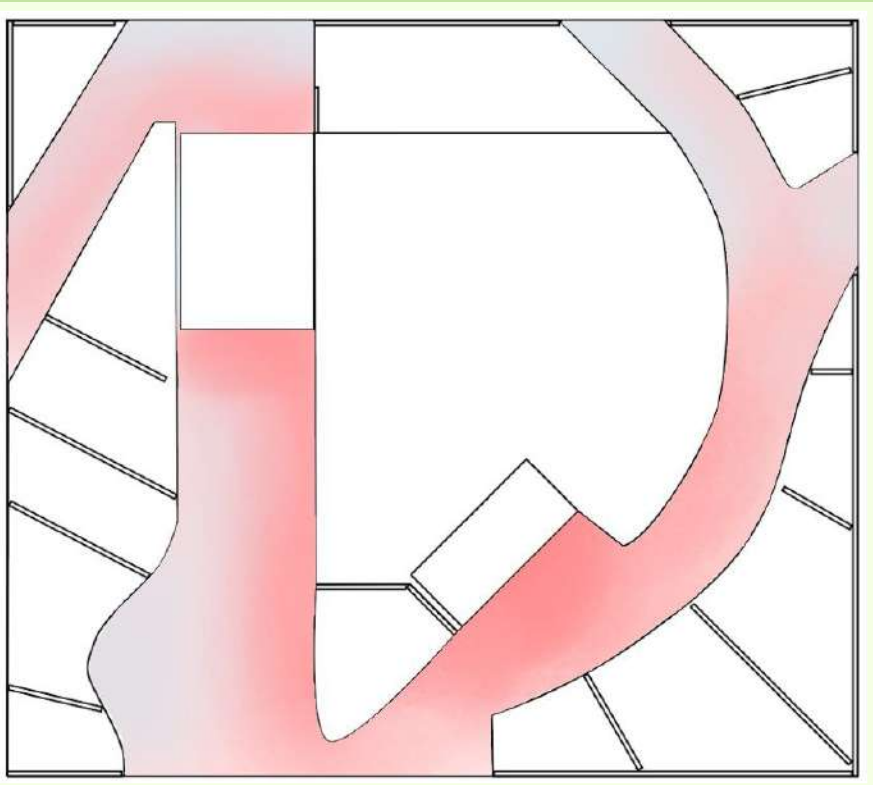


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Legend:



### Why is this worth solving?

The experience of taking the lift may be short, but the large volume of people taking the lift on a daily basis and experiences this awkwardness. Many also visit the mall to relax and unwind so we want to reduce any areas that may cause frustration or awkwardness.

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### Design elements

Display at lift lobby strategically facing open areas where lift takers are likely to walk by to display a cute animated distribution of passengers inside the lift

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### User testing

A person takes the lift 8-12 times on average each day, and average time taken for each trip is 2-3 minutes.

We came up with two main target groups.

- During crowded timings, we are able to focus on a more general group which includes everyone who is willing to take the escalator over the lift in the case that taking the escalator is faster
- During timings that may not be as crowded, we aim for our solution to still be useful to help those who greatly value their personal space over the convenience of taking the lift rather than the escalator.



2/5 of young adults value their personal space greatly when taking the lift.



4/5 of young adults are willing to take the escalator if it is a faster alternative.

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- + cute visuals
- + informative; helps with decision making
- change the design once in a while to keep it fresh
- take public-submitted drawings to engage users more
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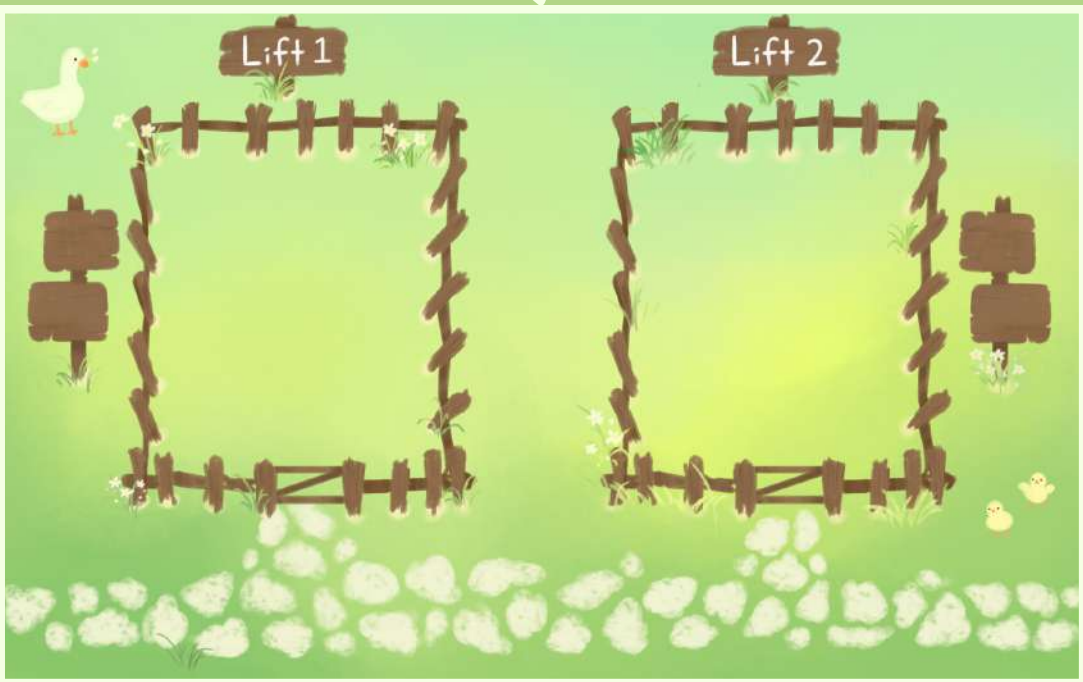
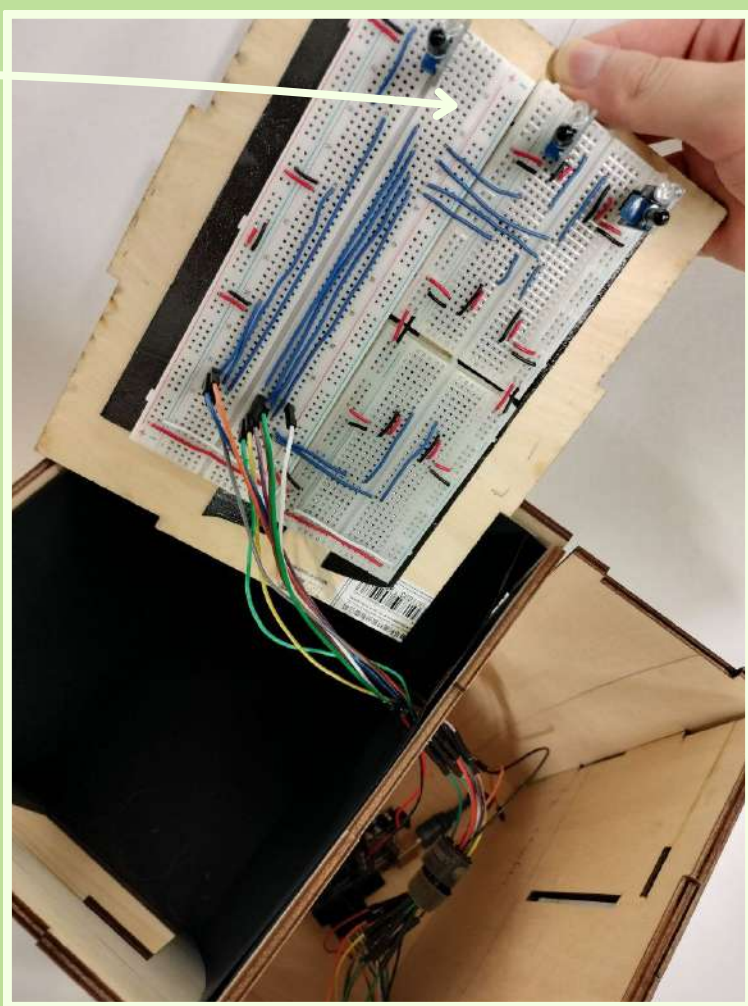


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For our functional model, we attached infrared sensors to detect fixed regions: for the real implementation, a LiDAR sensor will be used for more accurate sensing in the lift. Information from the sensors are conveyed to the CPU generate the footage on the screen. This reduces the AWKWARD feeling of being monitored by outsiders while still being able to communicate essential information to others.

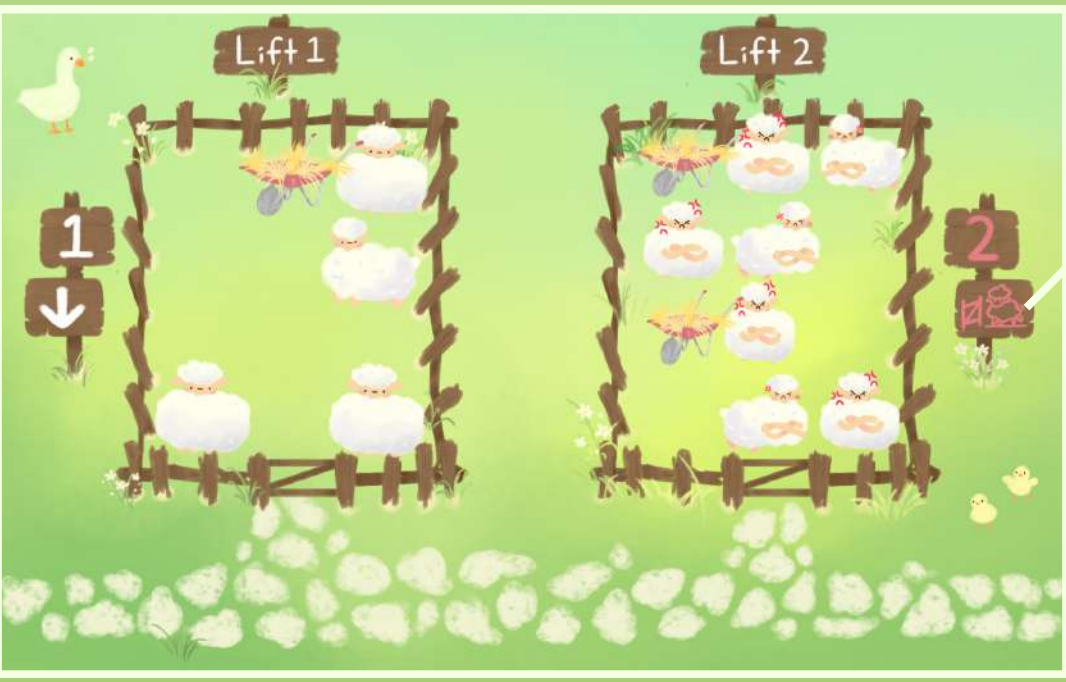


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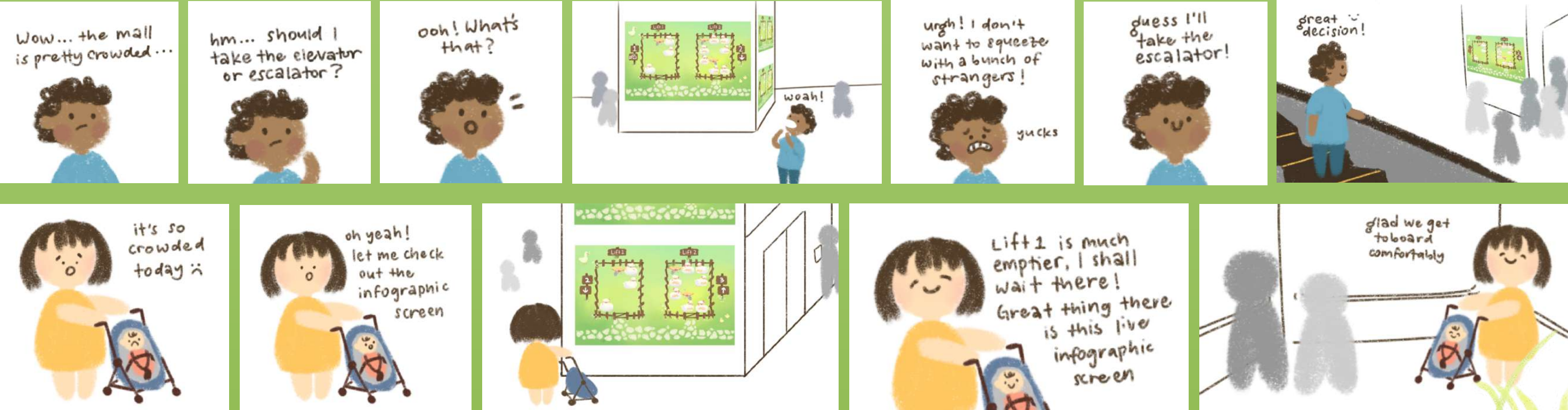


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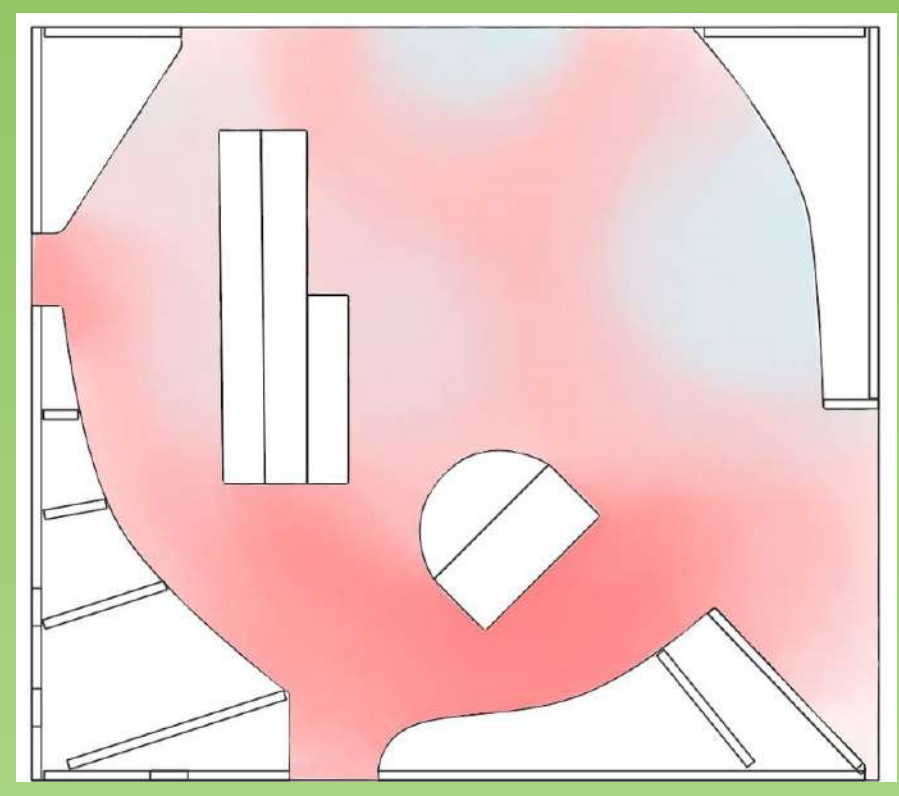


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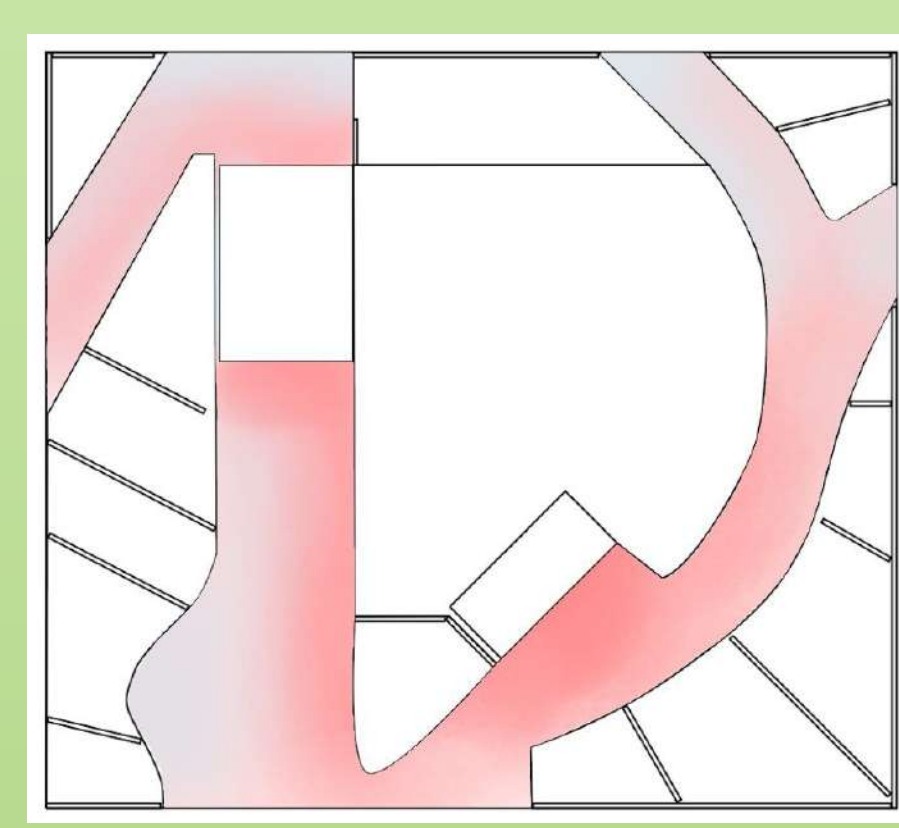


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Low density      High density

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Front view

User with bulky item

Capacity (side view)

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Wow... the mall is pretty crowded...

hm... should I take the elevator or escalator?

ooh! What's that?

woah!

ugh! I don't want to queue with a bunch of strangers!

gucks

guess I'll take the escalator!

great decision!

it's so crowded today :)

oh yeah! let me check out the infographic screen

Lift 1 is much emptier, I shall wait there! Great thing there is this live infographic screen

glad we get to board comfortably

## Mood Board