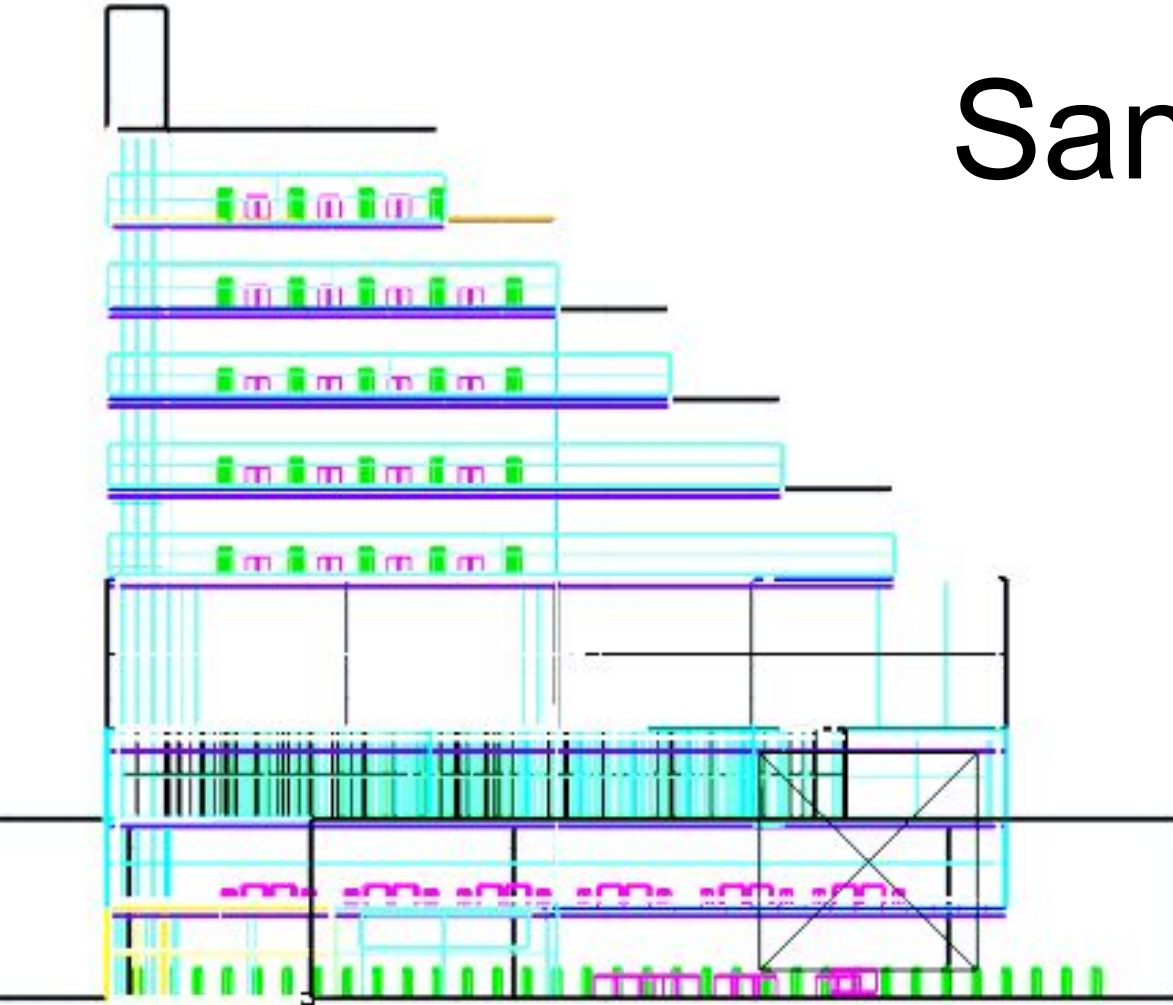


# San Francisco Mixed-Use Building

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# Introduction

## Design Philosophy

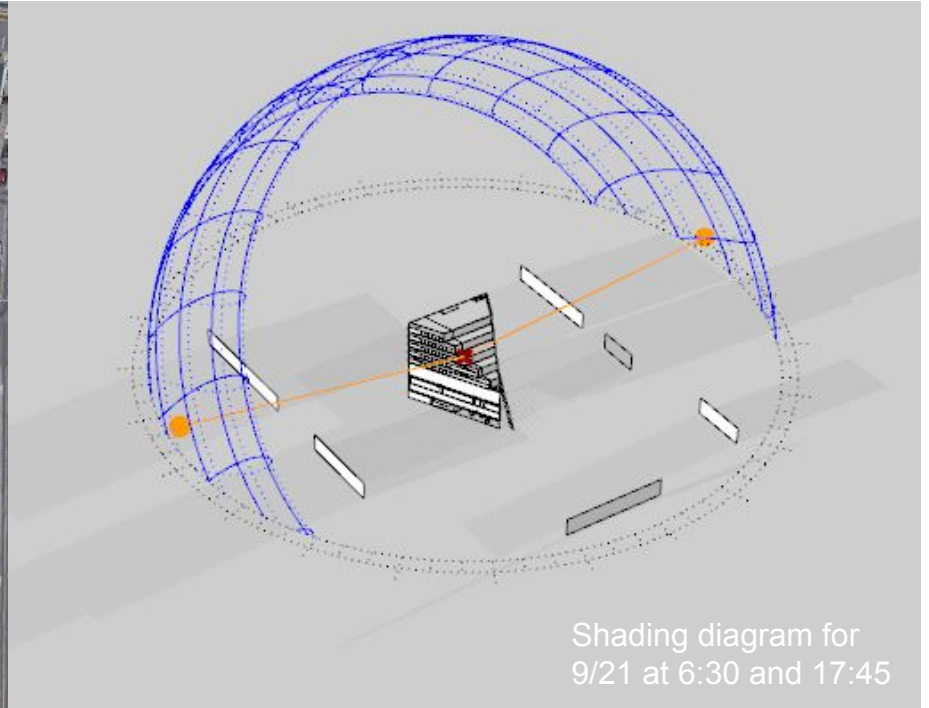
- Temperate climate
- Flexible and mixed-use
- Useful balconies

EUI Target: 100 EUI



# Location

Vacant plot, 70 m wide with low-roofed buildings nearby





# Location



## Very Walkable

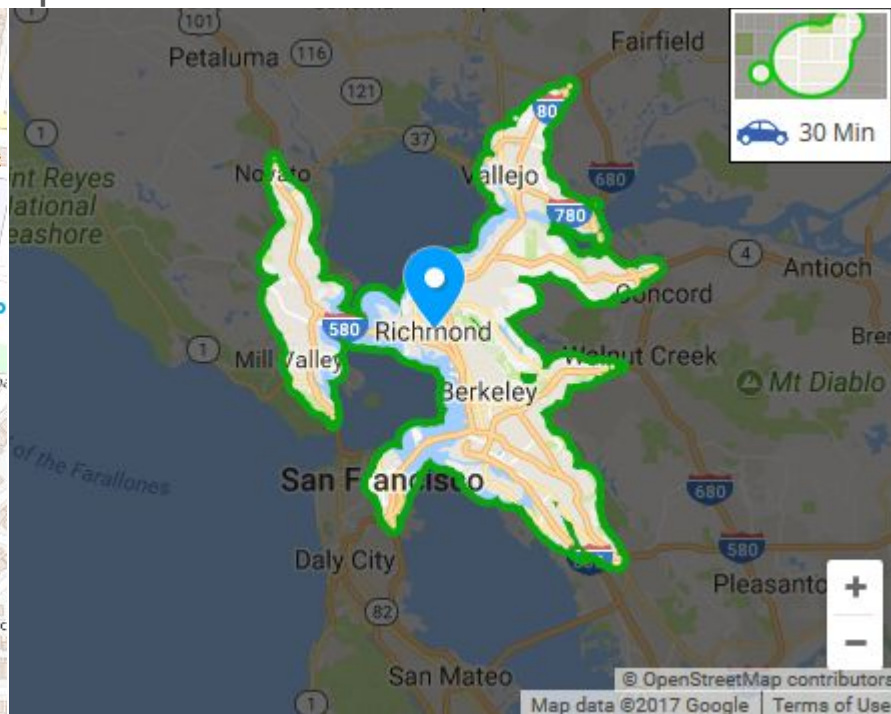
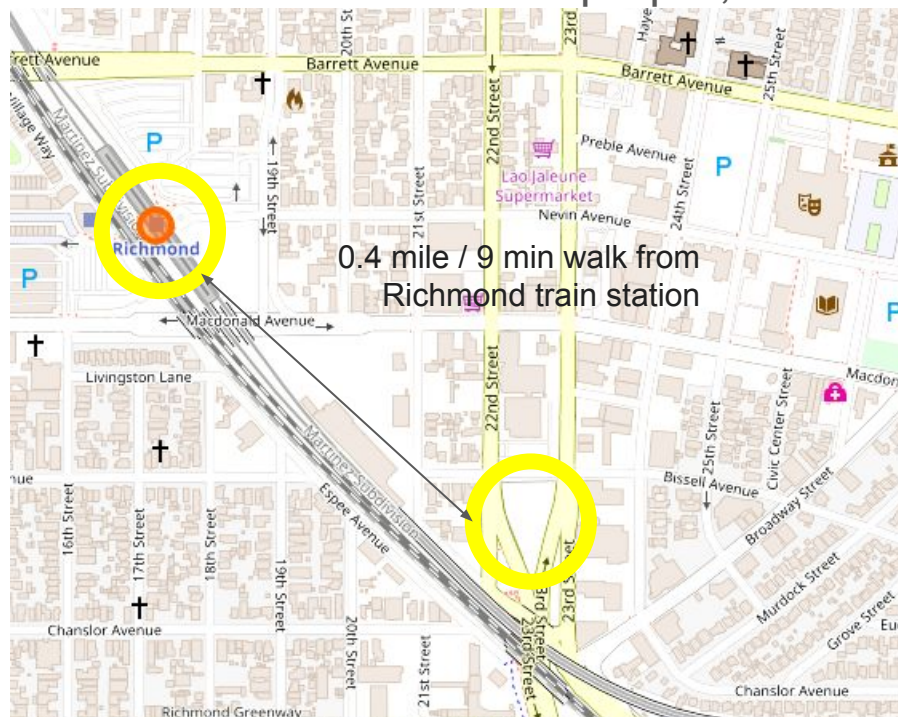
Most errands can be accomplished on foot.



## Good Transit

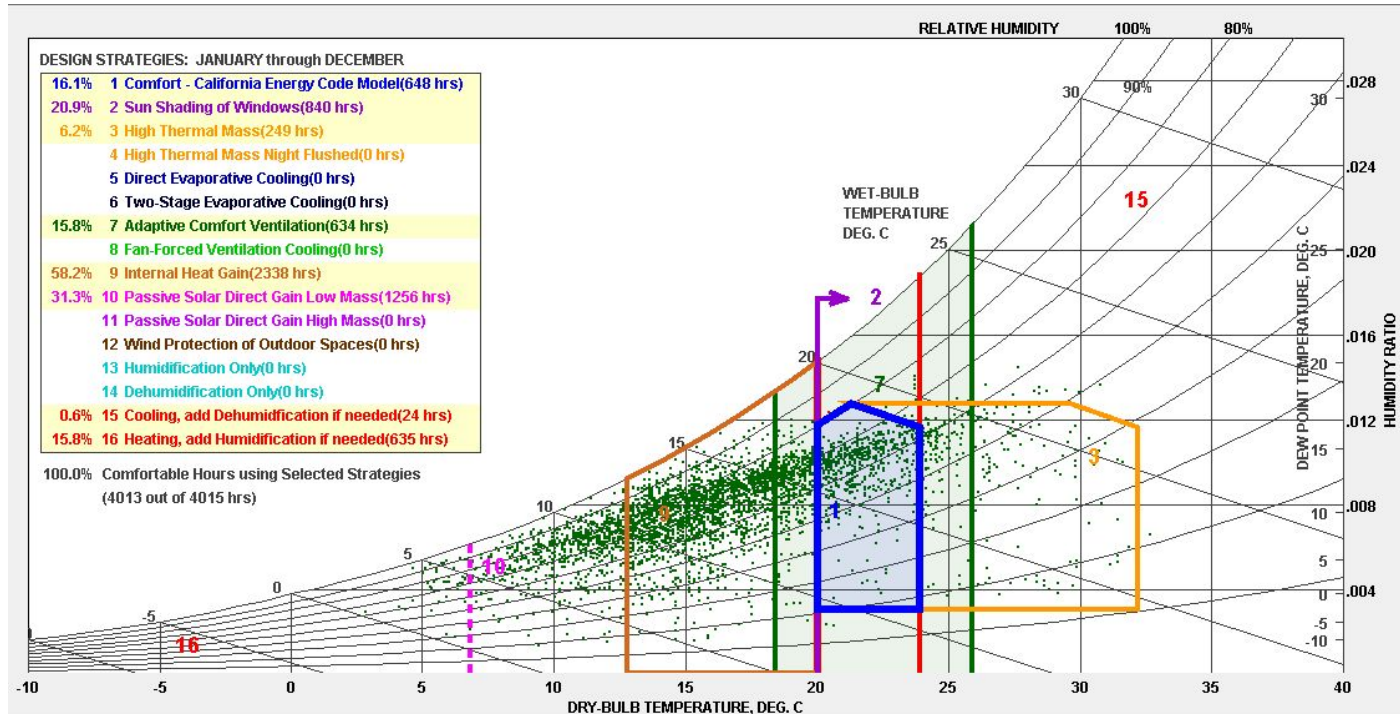
Many nearby public transportation options.

Outside of San Francisco proper, but near public transit



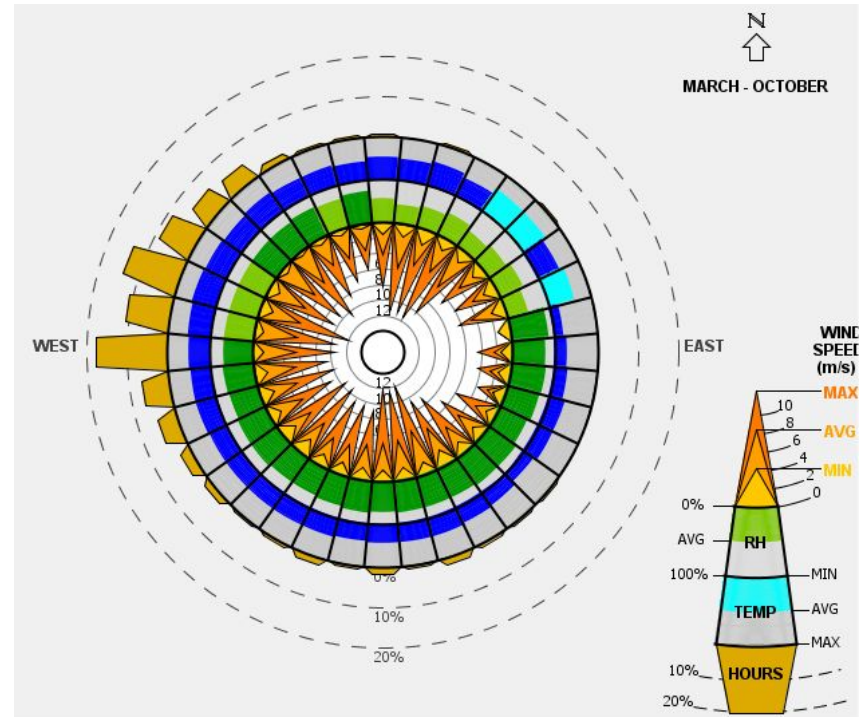
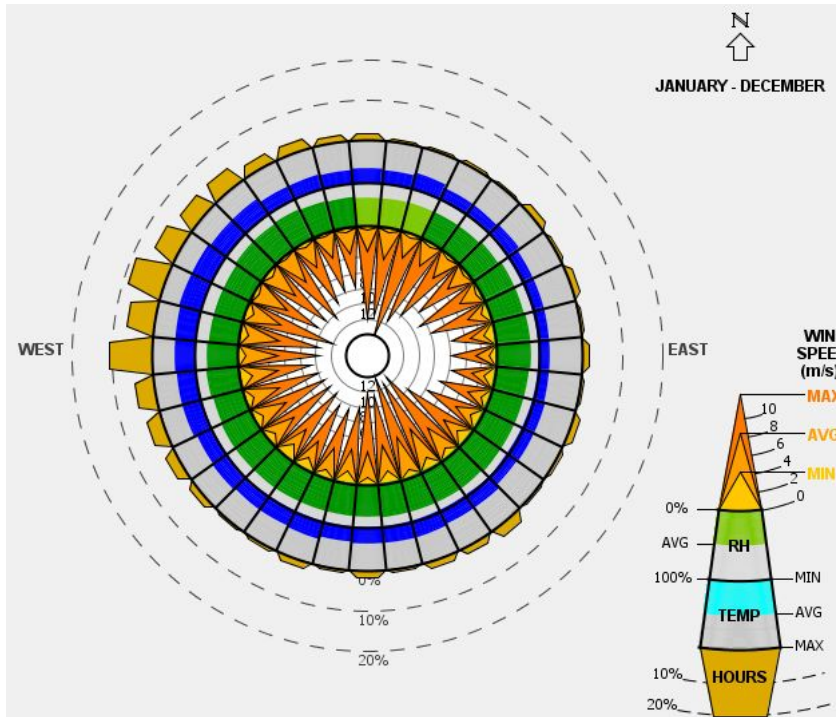
# Climate

## San Francisco: moderate climate



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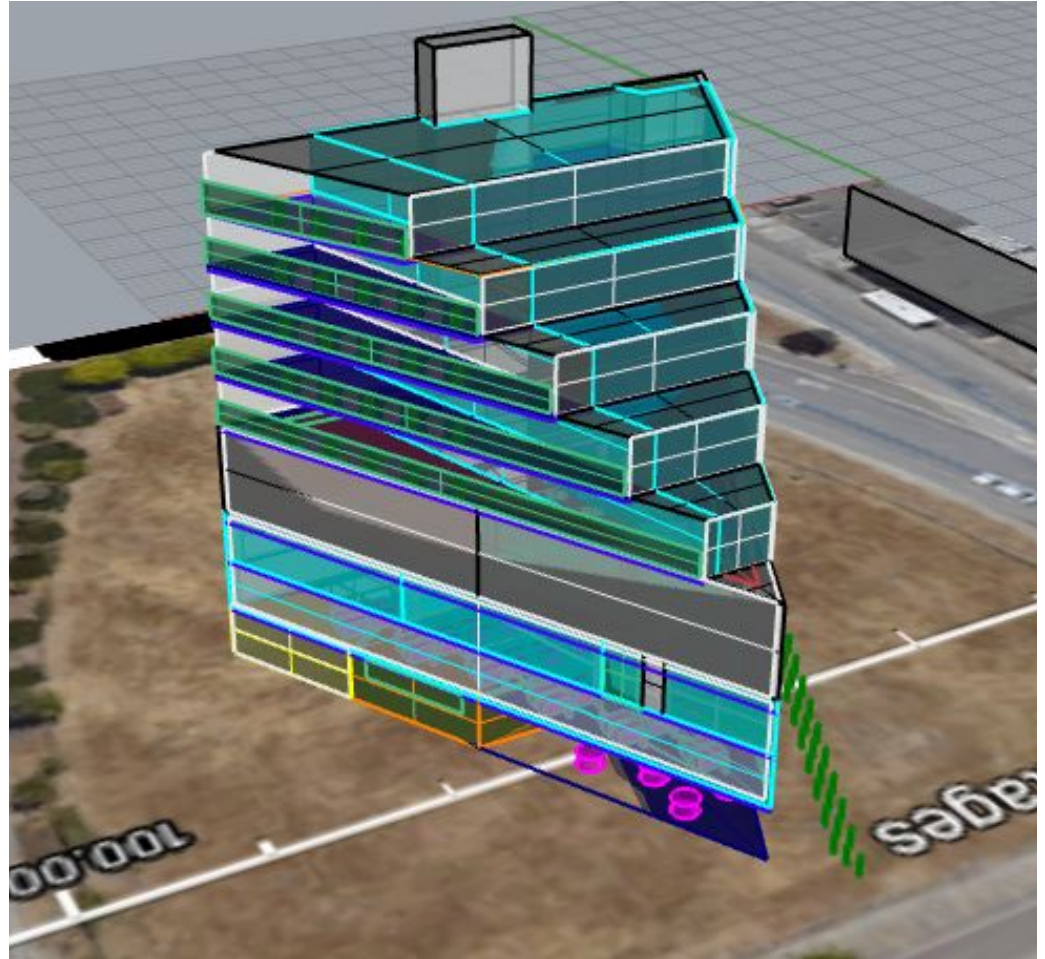
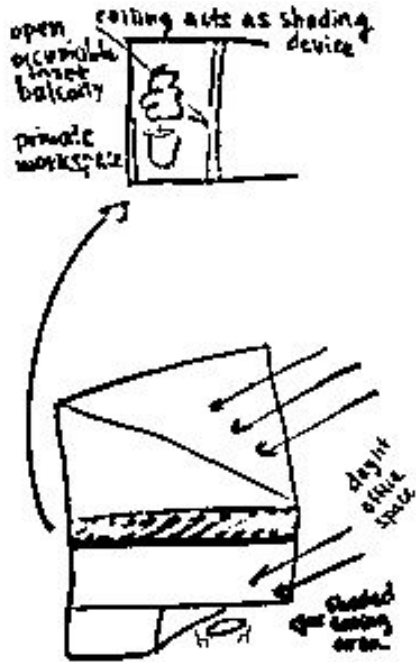
Higher humidity and winds from the south and west





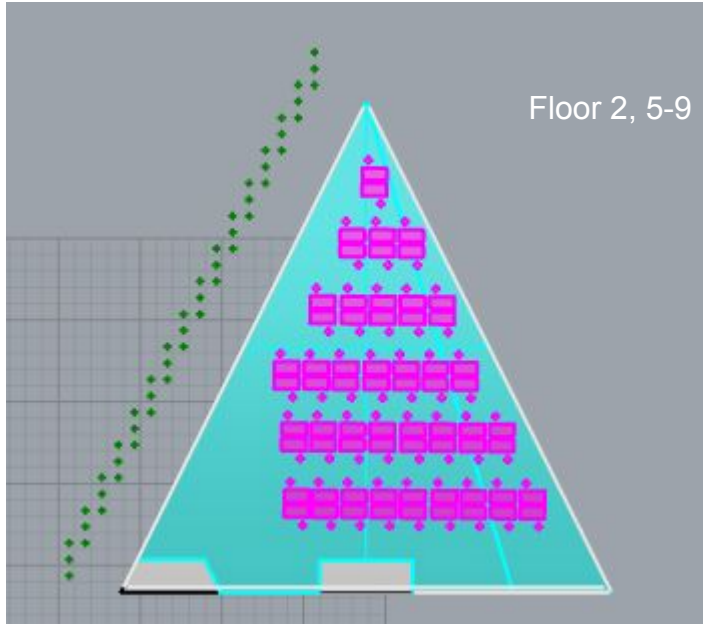
# Design

Glass facade, usable balconies

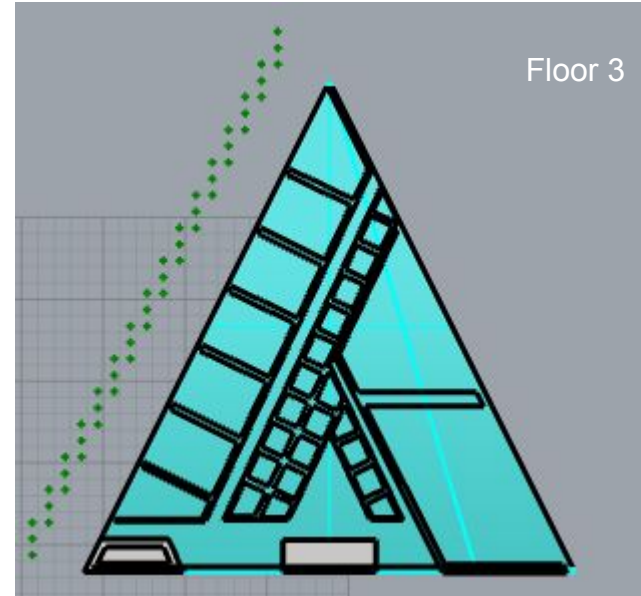


# Floorplans: Office spaces

Flexible office layout on upper floors



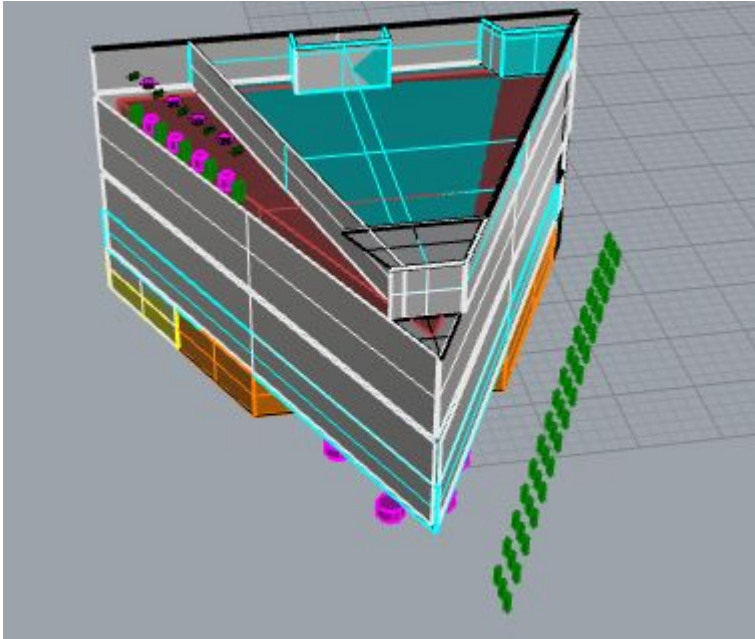
private work rooms, conference rooms



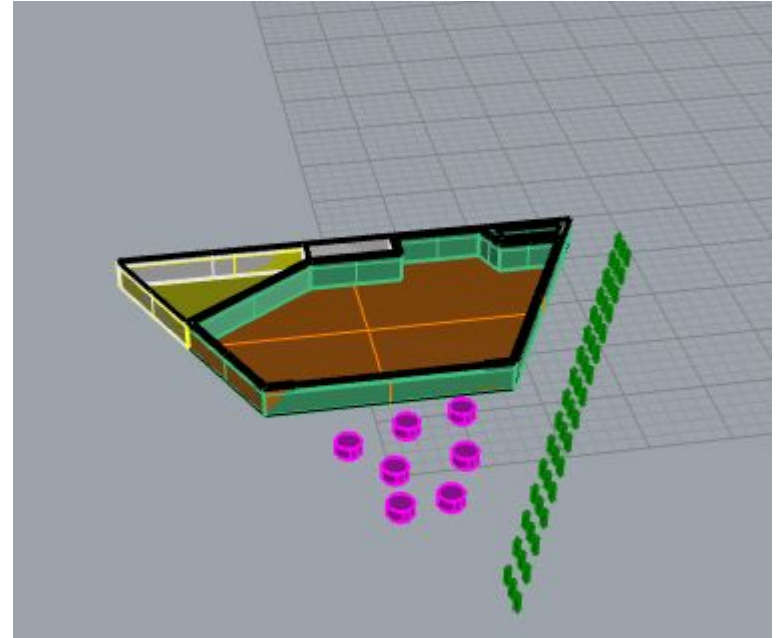


# Floorplans: Auxiliary spaces

Split auditorium for 1 large or 2 medium lecture halls with work-friendly open balcony space



Small ground-level cafe, outdoor eating area, and reception area



# Environmental Concept

Naturally ventilated open office floors

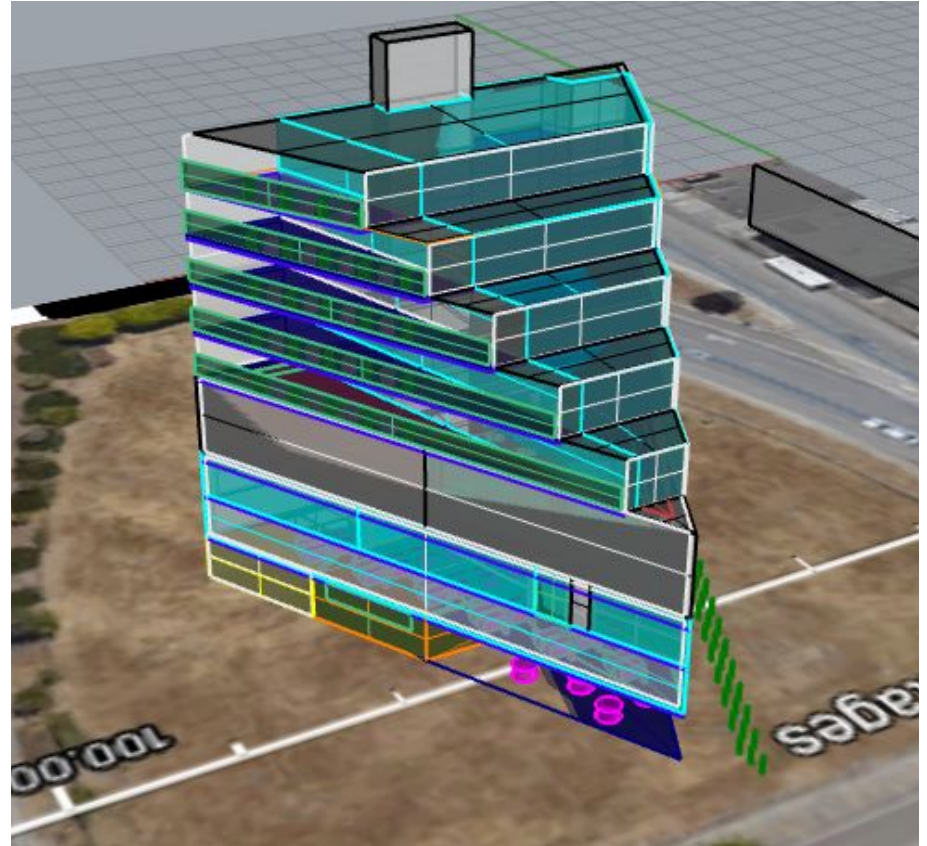
Shorter floor:height distance for non-open private/conference rooms on 3rd floor for reduced heating/cooling loads

Low LPD

Enthalpy heat recovery in cafe

Ground pump heating/cooling

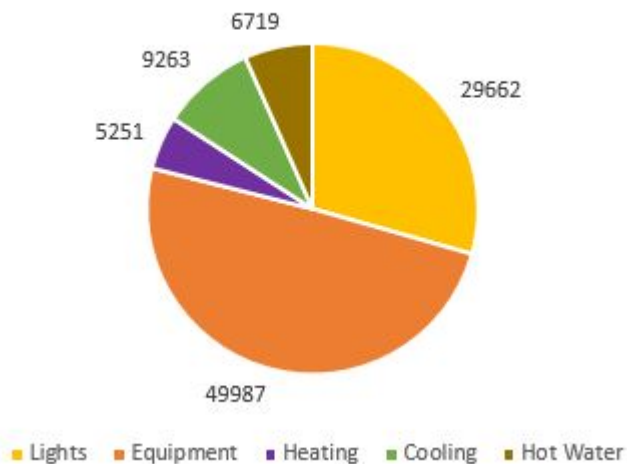
Greenery on balconies and ground-level eating area to provide background noise (sound privacy) and shade from sun/wind



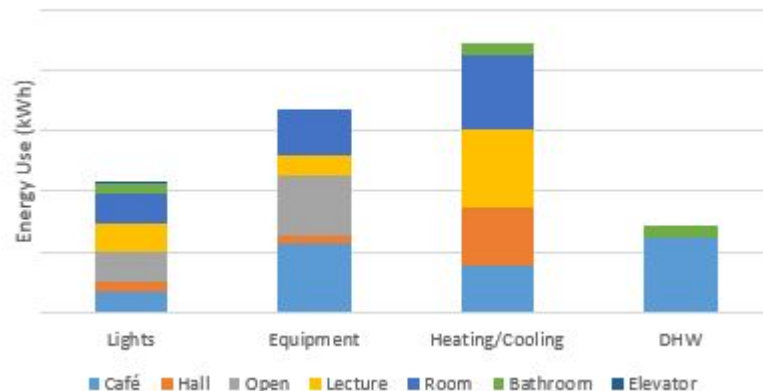
# Energy Performance

108 Total EUI, significant savings by lowering LPD

Total Energy Usage (kWh)



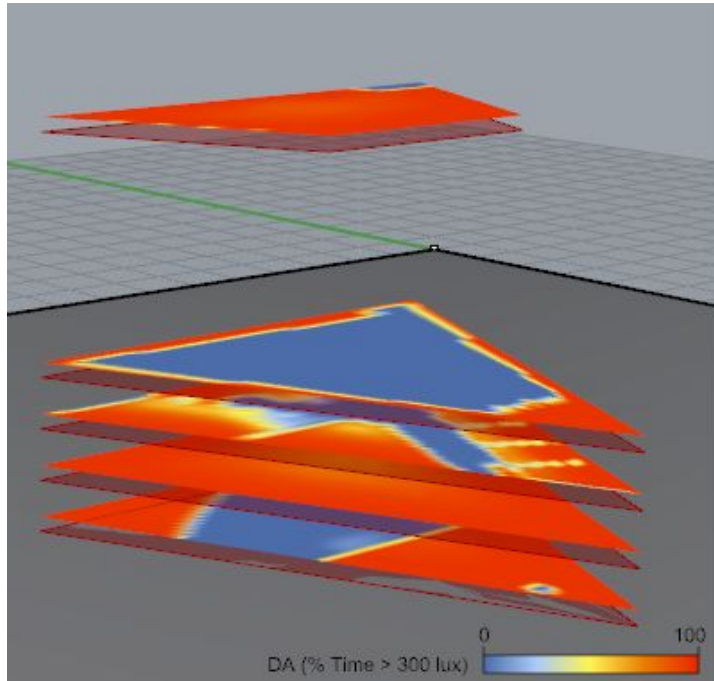
Energy Use by Energy Type and Zone Type



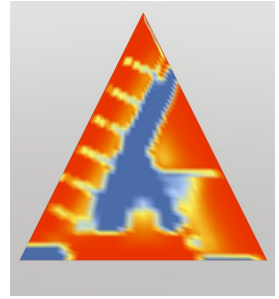


# Daylighting

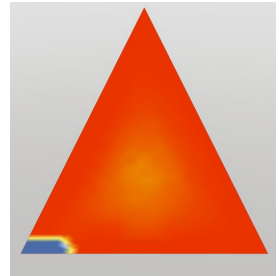
either 100% or 0% daylight autonomy



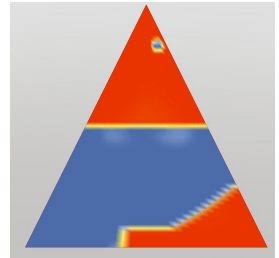
Floor 3 (individual/conference rooms)  
 $sDA_{300,50\%} = 66.9\%$



Floor 2 (open office)  
 $sDA_{300,50\%} = 97.8\%$

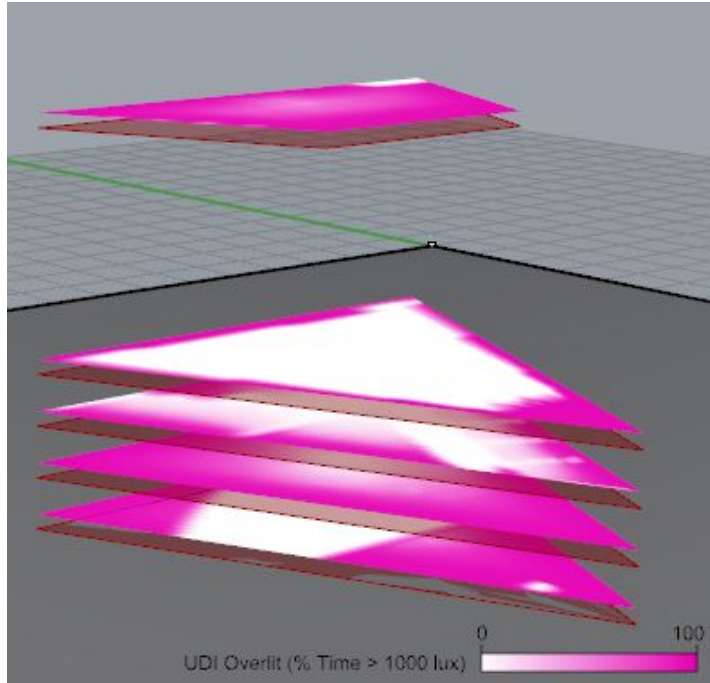


Floor 1 (cafe/reception)  
 $sDA_{300,50\%} = 39.6\%$

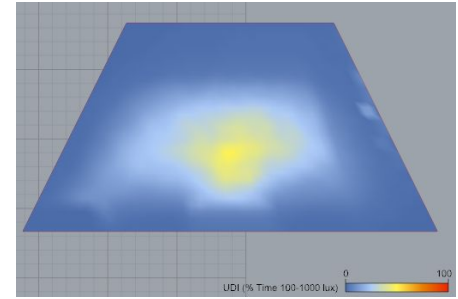


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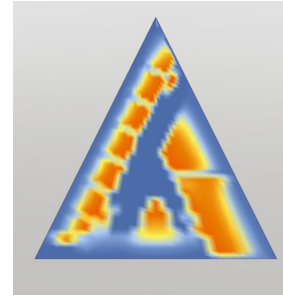
too much glare



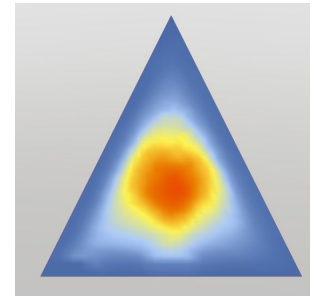
Floor 8 (open office)  
Avg  $UDI_{100-2000} = 32.3\%$



Floor 3 (individual/conference rooms)  
Avg  $UDI_{100-2000} = 42.6\%$



Floor 2 (open office)  
Avg  $UDI_{100-2000} = 45.3\%$



# Future improvements

Reduce glare (opaque roof, increase depth on side balcony, reduce interior reflectance, distribute the private work rooms across all floors)



Add rooftop PV or rooftop garden for energy or water generation



Allow natural rise/circulation of hot air from cafe through upper levels  
Add cross ventilation of naturally ventilated spaces



Reduce plug loads through energy efficient appliances





# Conclusion

Designed a mixed-use office/commercial building near San Francisco

Designed for the sunny, temperate climate

- > glass facade for lighting and solar heating
- > natural ventilation for cooling and air quality
- > useful balcony space as non-controlled work area

Met goal of 108 EUI, but had too much glare

- > Additional improvements might reduce glare and reduce EUI further

# References

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