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# LIVE BOUNDARY

**Project:** Mixed-Used& Public Stairs  
**Location:** Washington, D.C  
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# Growth of Manhattan Island

The city extension lines evoking the flooding line.

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Growth of Manhattan Island 1650-1980 Source: Rebuilt by Design

# Manhattan Extension 1660 & 1880

## Manhattan 1660

*The original shoreline*

**The Land of East River Park  
Exited in 1660 yet!**

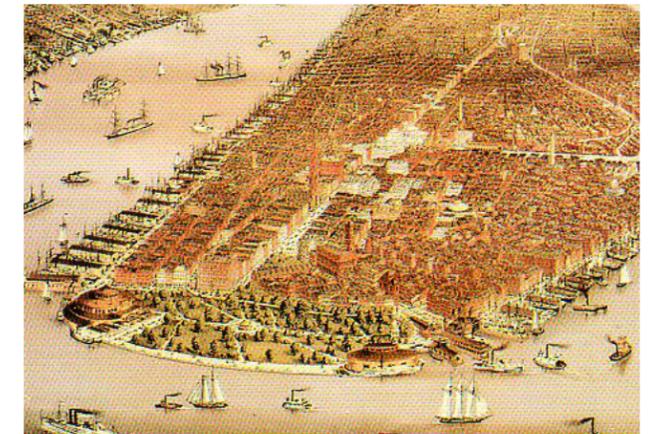


1660 Mahattan Map Source: Rebuilt by Design

## Manhattan 1880

*First Landfill with Garbage*

**The Land of East River Park  
Exited in 1880 yet!**



1880 Prespetive Mahattan Source: Rebuilt by Design

## Manhattan 1930

*Second Landfill with Toxic  
British Rubble (From WWII)*

**Constructing East River Park**

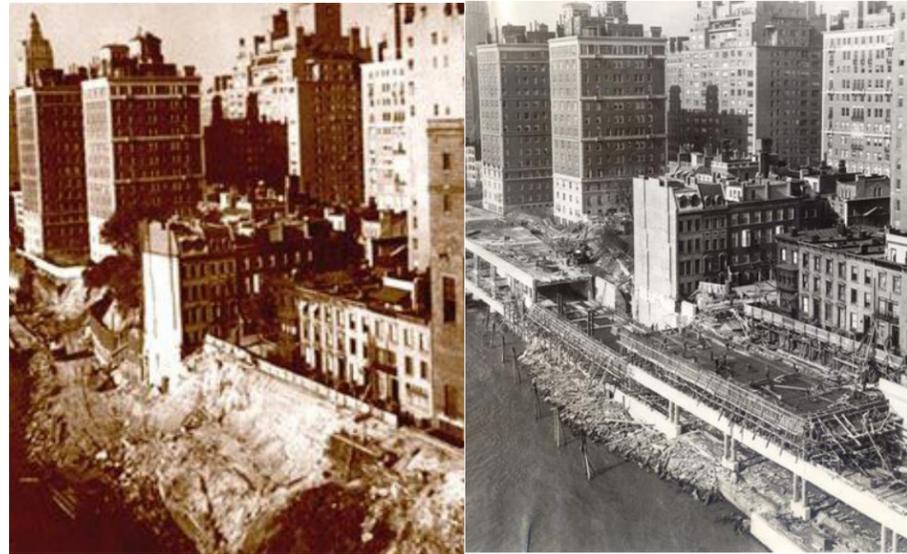


1930 Prespetive Mahattan Source: Rebuilt by Design

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# The Construction's History & Future

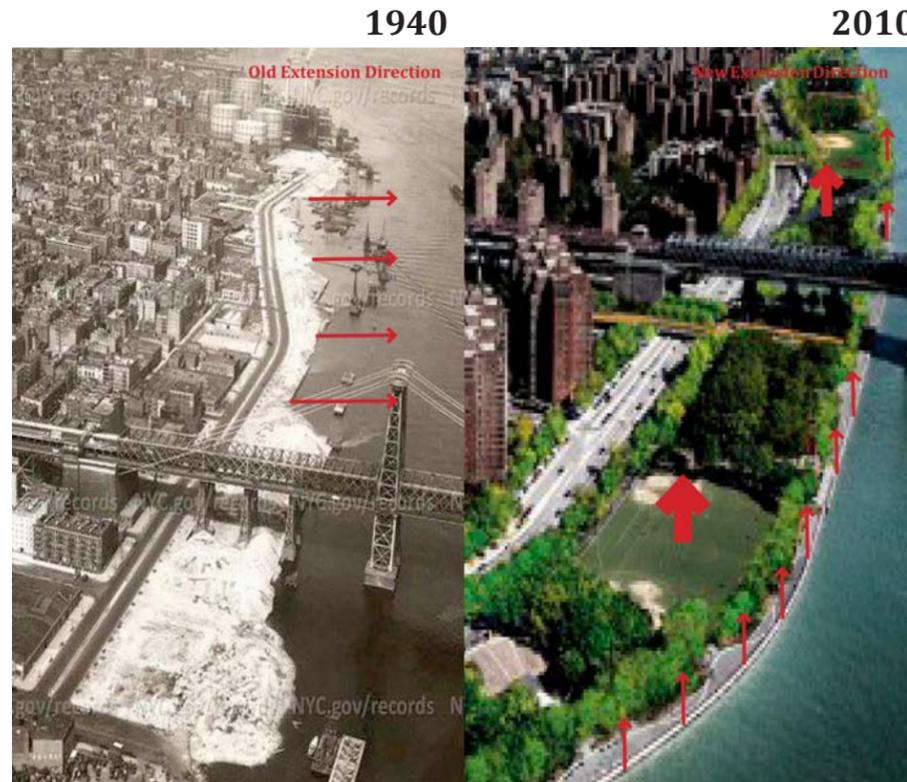
1939- The construction of East River Drive had been strated.



1939 FDR DR- Recording the construction. Source: New York Times

Construction Process Record

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East River Park Source: WXY Studio

History Extension Direction (Horizontal)

VS.

Future Extension Deirection (Vertical)

# Future Plan - Bury the Park!

The Shoreline of East River Park



The latest plan calls for burying the park under landfill to act as a bulwark against flooding Source: New York Times

The city's latest plan to protect from future flooding called for burying the park under eight to 10 feet of landfill, and starting over. This was not the original plan, and that's what had locals upset.

The new plan will also create a temporary ecological desert for hundreds of species migrating the Atlantic Flyway. Buried, too, will be the running track field house with its sea monster tiles and the track itself (just refurbished for nearly \$3 million).

Future Proposal



East River Park's resiliency project at East Houston Street. Source: New York Times

1. Hania, Joseph. "To Save East River Park, the City Intends to Bury It." The New York Times. The New York Times, January 18, 2019. <https://www.nytimes.com/2019/01/18/nyregion/to-save-east-river-park-the-city-intends-to-bury-it.html>.

# Soil PH



## PH Range of Soil (Before)

5.5 7.5

## PH Range of Soil (After)

6.5 8.5

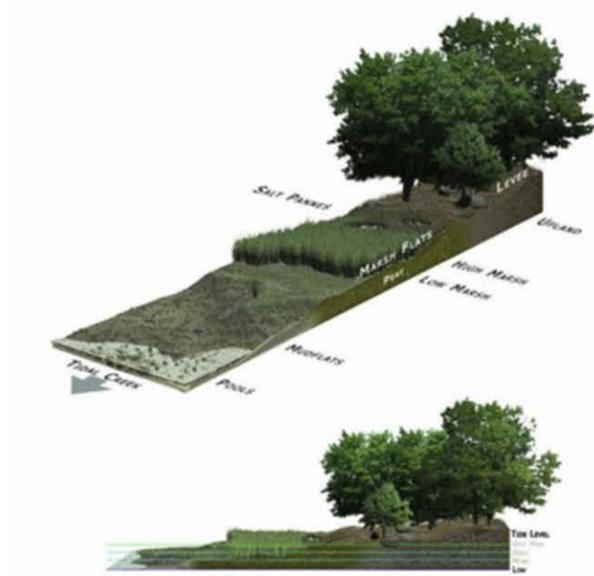


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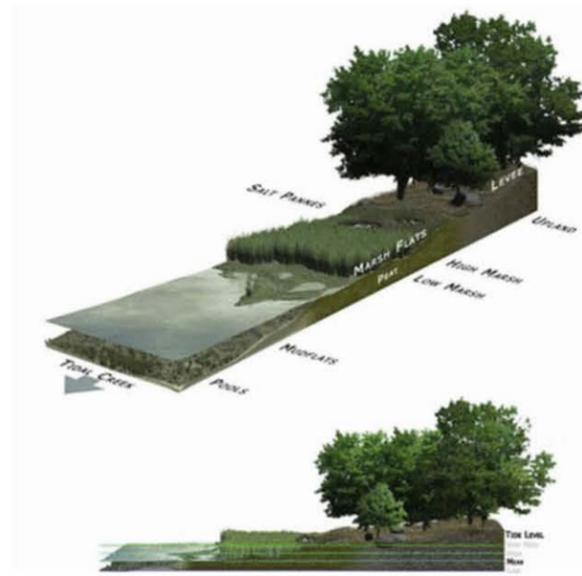
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|               | Azalea             | Crocus                  | Flowering dogwood  | Hawthorn                   | Marsh Margold                 | Pansy  | Hydrangea  | Grape hyacinth   | Butterfly bush                                     | Sage  | Rose   | Hollyhock                                |
| PH            | 4.5-6.0            | 5.5-6.5                 | 6.0-7.0  | 6.0-7.0                    | 6.5-7.5                       | 6.5-7.0  | 5.5-8.0  | 6.5-7.5  | 6.5-7.5  | 7.0-7.5   | 6.5-8.0  | 6.5-8.0                                  |
| Sunlight      | ·Live under shadow | ·Live in sunny position | ·Good morning sun & afternoon shadow<br>·Mild sunlight, not too strong | ·Be fond of cool condition | ·Prefer mild sunlight         | ·Prefer sunlight<br>·No shadow, no strong sunlight (10-20°C) | ·Short day-light period<br>·18-28°C & 60% - 70% shadow | ·Short day-light period<br>·18-28°C & 60% - 70% shadow | ·Like sunny or half-shadow environment<br>·15-30°C | ·Like sunny and warm and well-ventilated sunny and warm environment | ·Like sunny and warm and well-ventilated sunny environment | ·Like sunny or half-shadowed environment |
| Soil Humidity | Well-drained       | Well-drained            | Moist Acidic   | Moist Well-drained         | Marshes Woodland Not brackish | Well-drained Oxygen-rich                                     | Well-drained Sandy soil                                | Well-drained Sandy soil                                | Dry soil No flooding                               | Dry soil Well-drained   | Low humidity Well-drained                                  | Well-drained Sandy soil                  |

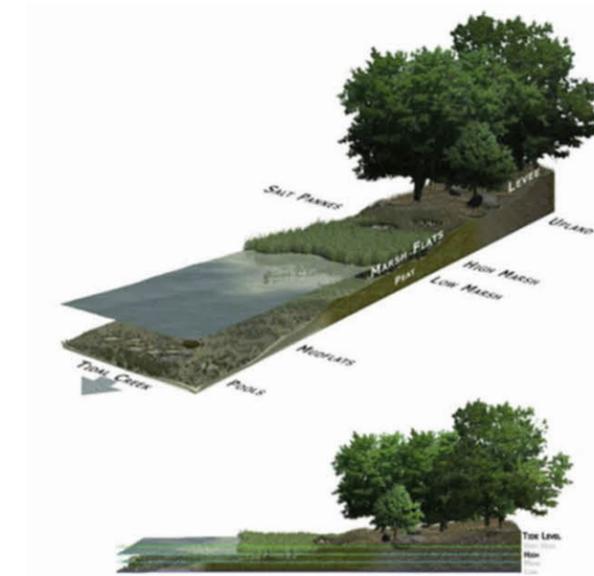
# Marshes - Species



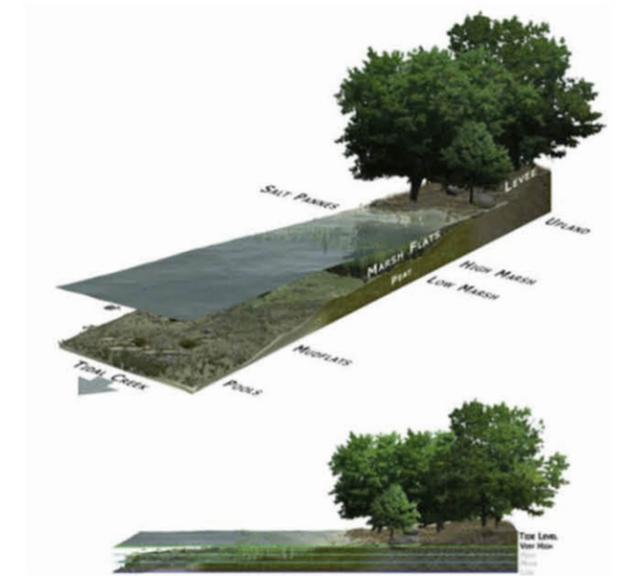
Low tide



Mean tide



High tide



Very high tide

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|---------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|---|----------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Trees         | Oak                           | Maple                          | Ginkgo Tree                        | Elm                                     | Pine  | Beech          | Halophyte | Juncus                        | Salicornia                    | Rhizophora                    | Toxicodendron                 | Tamarix                       |
| PH            | 6.0-8.0                       | 5.5-7.0                        | 4.5-8.0                            | Wide range                              | 5.0-8.0   | Wide range     | PH        | Marsh shrubs                  | Marsh shrubs                  | Marsh shrubs                  | Marsh trees                   | Marsh trees                   |
| Sunlight      | ·Strong sunlight adaptability | ·Like sunlight                 | ·Like sunlight                     | ·Like sunlight                          | ·Like sunlight                                    | ·Like sunlight | Sunlight  | ·Strong sunlight adaptability |
| Soil Humidity | ·Can tolerant flooding        | ·Well-drained<br>·Fertile Soil | ·Well-drained<br>·No brackish soil | ·Well-drained<br>·No flooding situation | ·Well-drained & fertile soil<br>·No brackish soil |                | Soil      | · grow on saline soil         | · grow on saline soil         | · grow on saline soil         | · grow on saline soil         | · grow on saline soil         |

# Marsh - The Practice of Artificial Marshes

## Plants Selection for Marshes based on pollutant-removing capacity

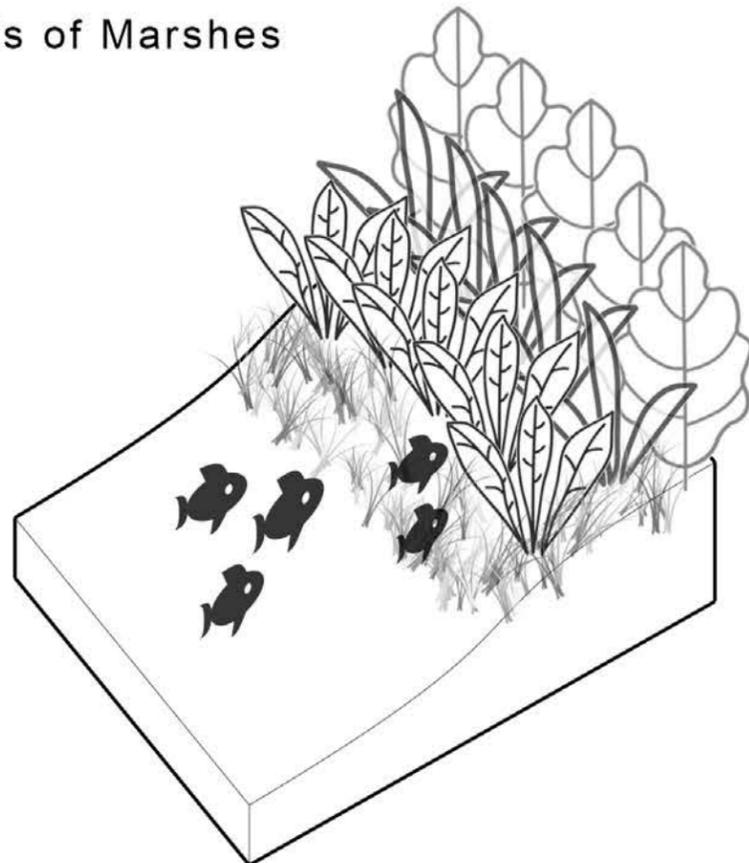


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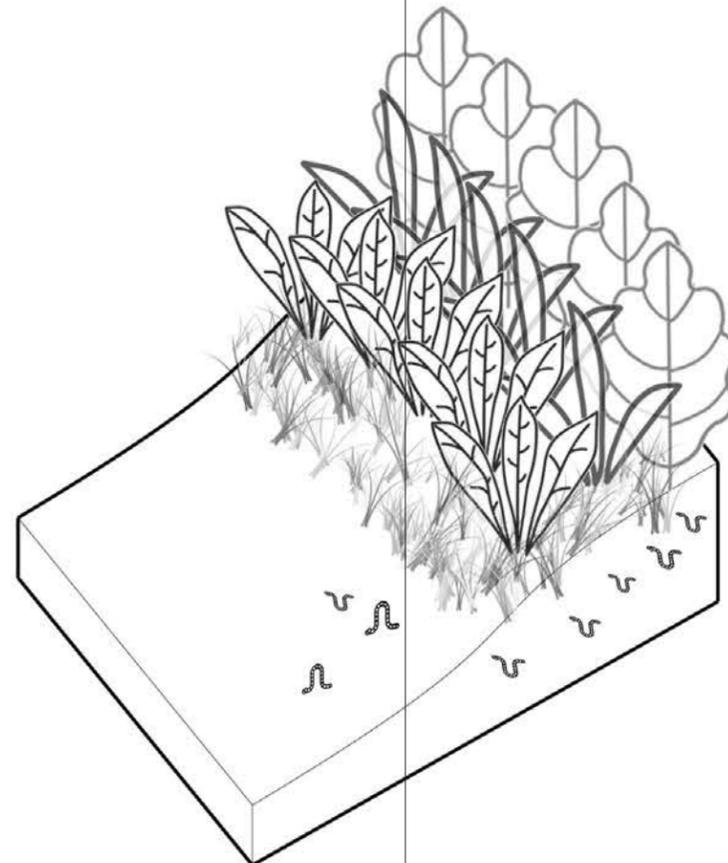
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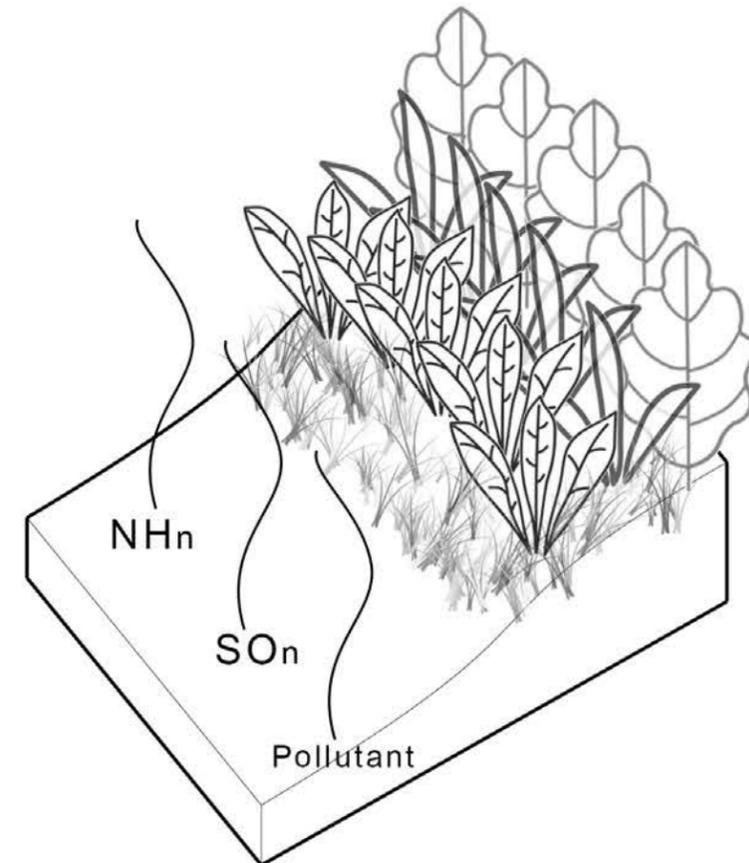
## Effects of Marshes



Accomodate Fish



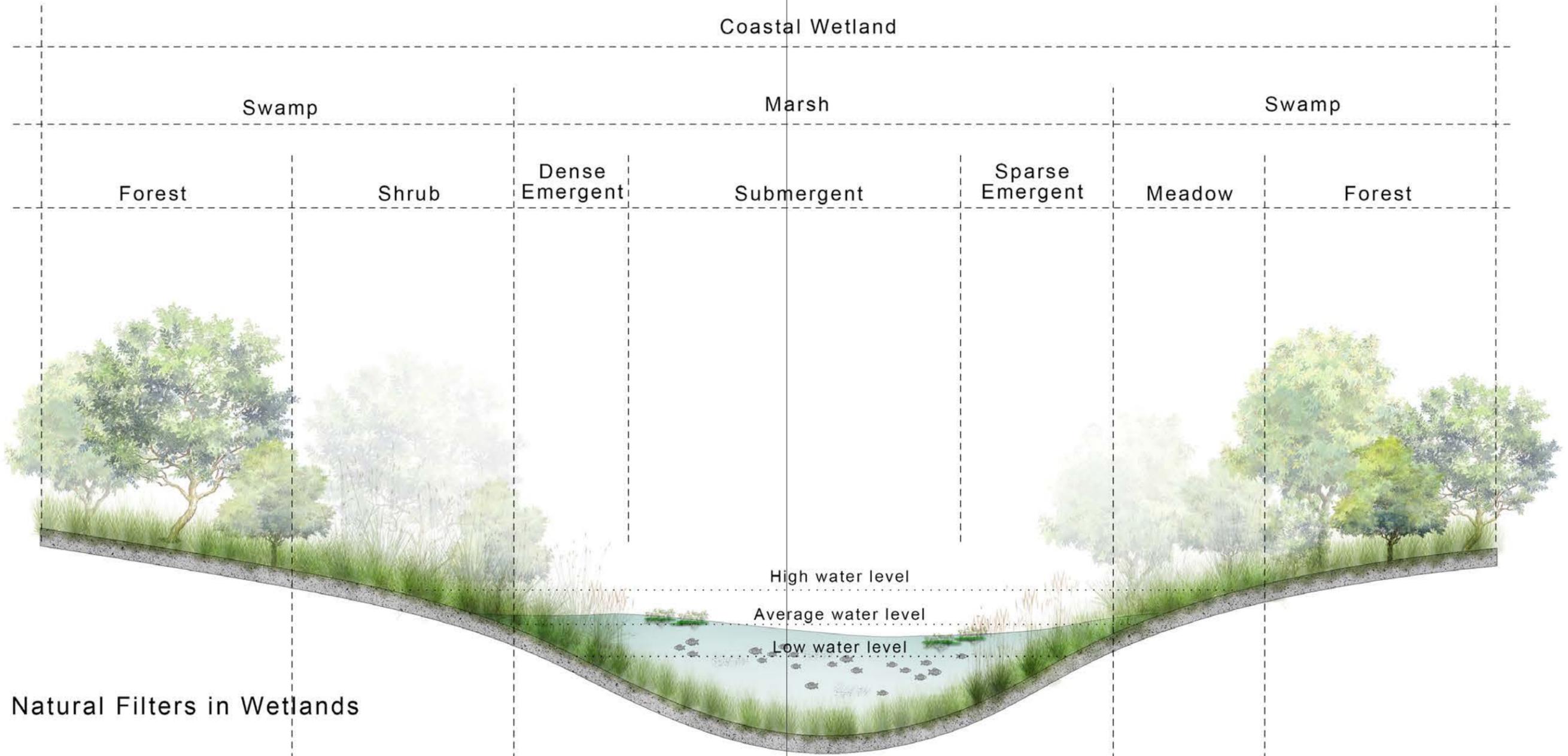
Privide Nutrition for microorganism



Improve soil Quality

# Marsh - Species

## Wetland Components



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## Natural Filters in Wetlands



Mangrove



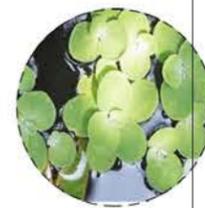
Alder



Haloxylon  
Ammodendron



Rush



Duckweed



Waterlily



Yellow  
Flag



Bottle  
Sedge



Birch

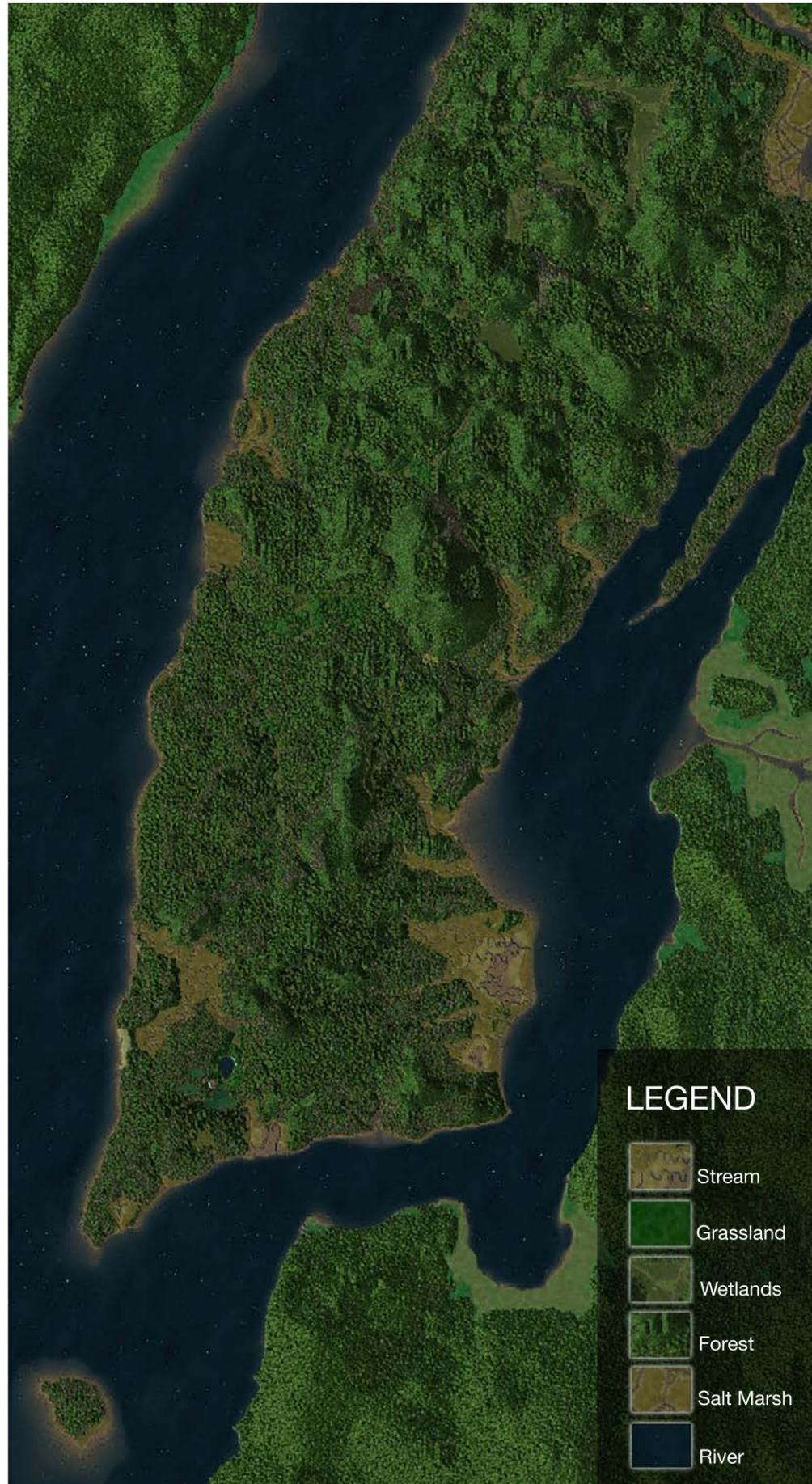


Willow

# 1600

Back to long time ago, in 1600, before the Europeans came to the land, Manhattan was surrounded by stream, grassland, wetlands, forest, salt marshland and fresh marshlands.

As history moved forward, British built up New York city. The natural environment disappeared grandly.



# 2019

New York has architecturally significant buildings in a wide range of styles spanning distinct historical and cultural periods. However, during the development process, New York the natural connection with the ground and soil.



# Manhattan Extension with Landfill

*In 1600, before the Europeans came to the land, Manhattan was surrounded by marshlands. As history moved forward, British built up New York city.*

## 1880

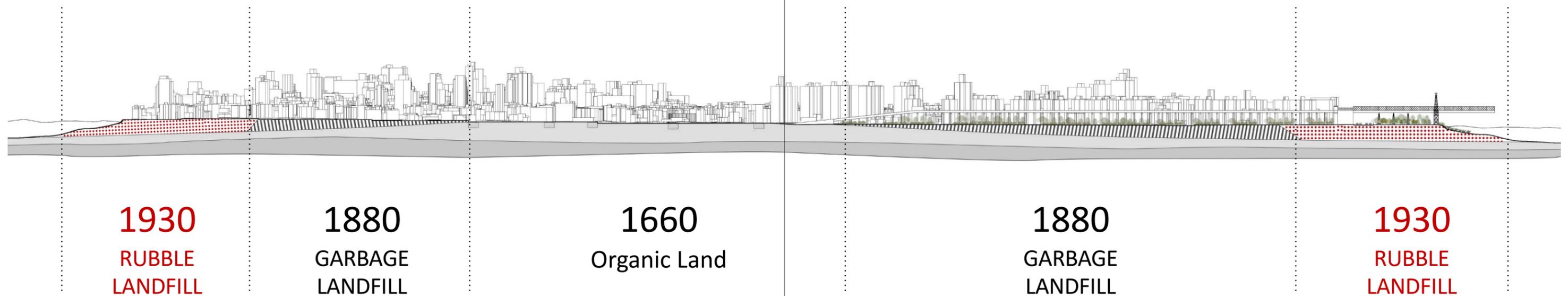
In the history, New York City has extended several time for urban development. The first time landfill has happened in 1880, and the material was garbage.

## 1930

Part of FDR Drive, which snakes up Manhattan's eastern profile, was actually built over rubble shipped over from wartime England—a fact first brought to our attention in 2007 by BLDGBLOG's Geoff Manaugh, who explained that rubble from bombed English cities were used as ballast for ships coming to America. As it turns out, most of the rubble actually came from Bristol, upon which German planes dropped thousands of bombs during World War II.

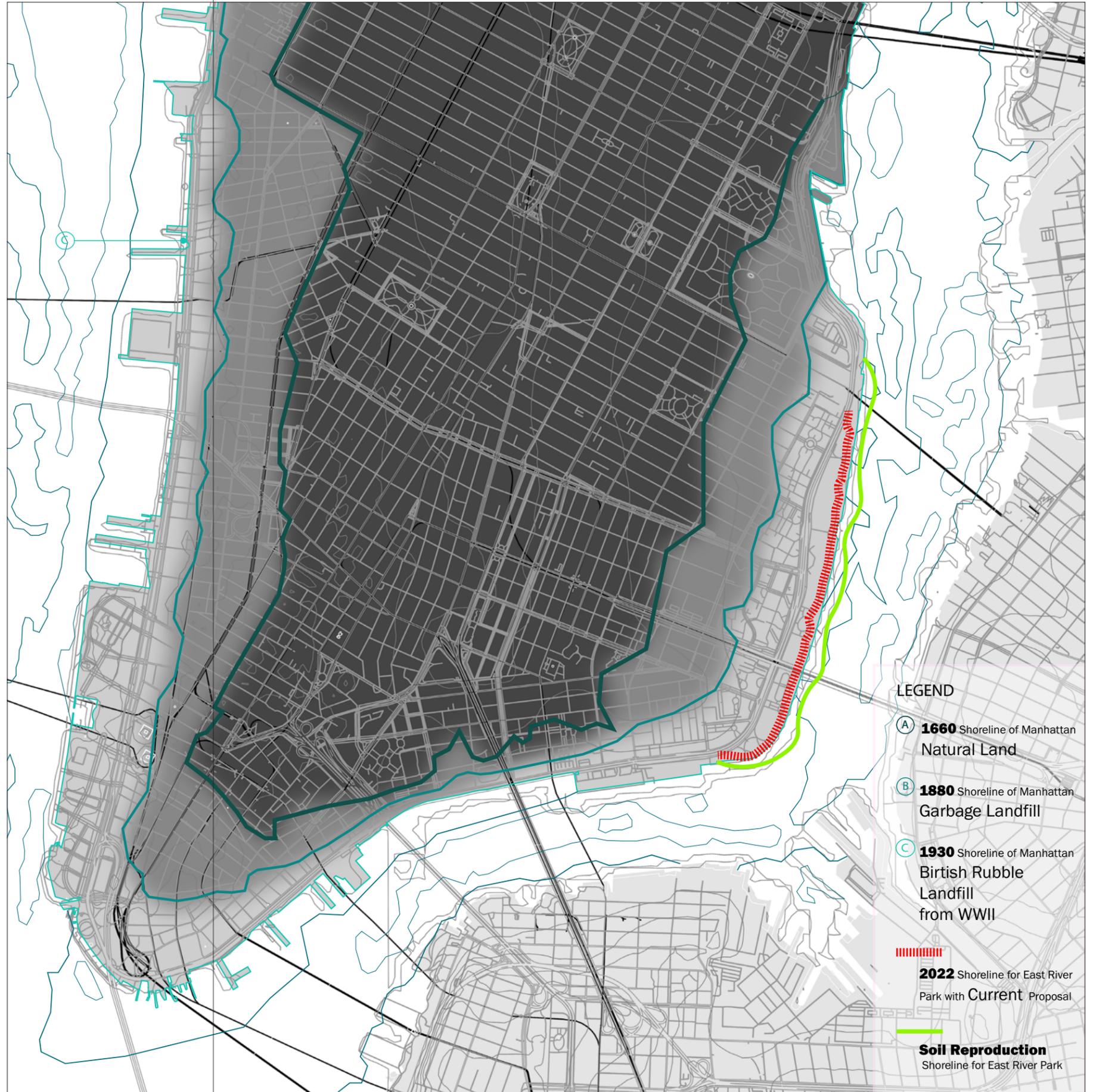
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Trace back to the history, the whole Manhattan has kept being landfilled in the past 400 years, as you can see in this map. The material used for landfill under our site is the ruins from WWII Europe, so it has been polluted.

Due to sea level rising, the soil is gradually submerged by sea water. In that case, the soil can't drain well and the soil PH will go up because too much salt in the water will come into the soil and salinize the soil. Based on our research of the existing plants in our site, as a result, most of them are not gonna survive in this kind of situation, so as many animals such as squirrels, worms and microorganisms. After research, we found that marshland might be a fine opportunity to be developed here, because plants living in marshes can sustain high humidity and high salinity and marshes can help forming a healthy eco-system in this area as well

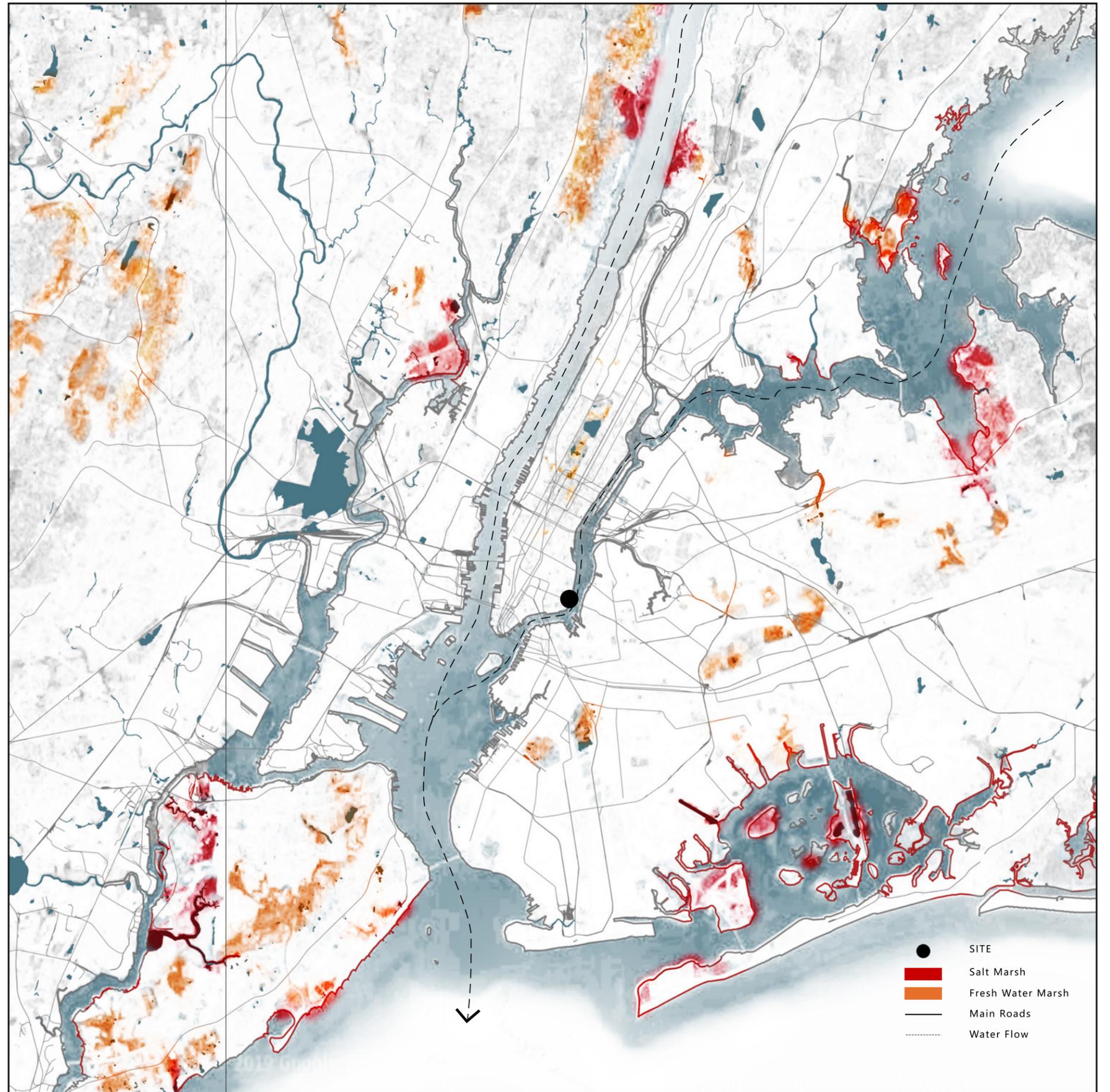


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**- Should we just let them die?**

**No.....**we found that plants living in marshes can sustain high humidity and high salinity and marshes can also provide benefits such as improving soil and cleaning pollutants.

There are a still serveral marshlands around NYC, many of them along the coastline and defined as salt marshes. Which give us sound foundation of developing marshes here.



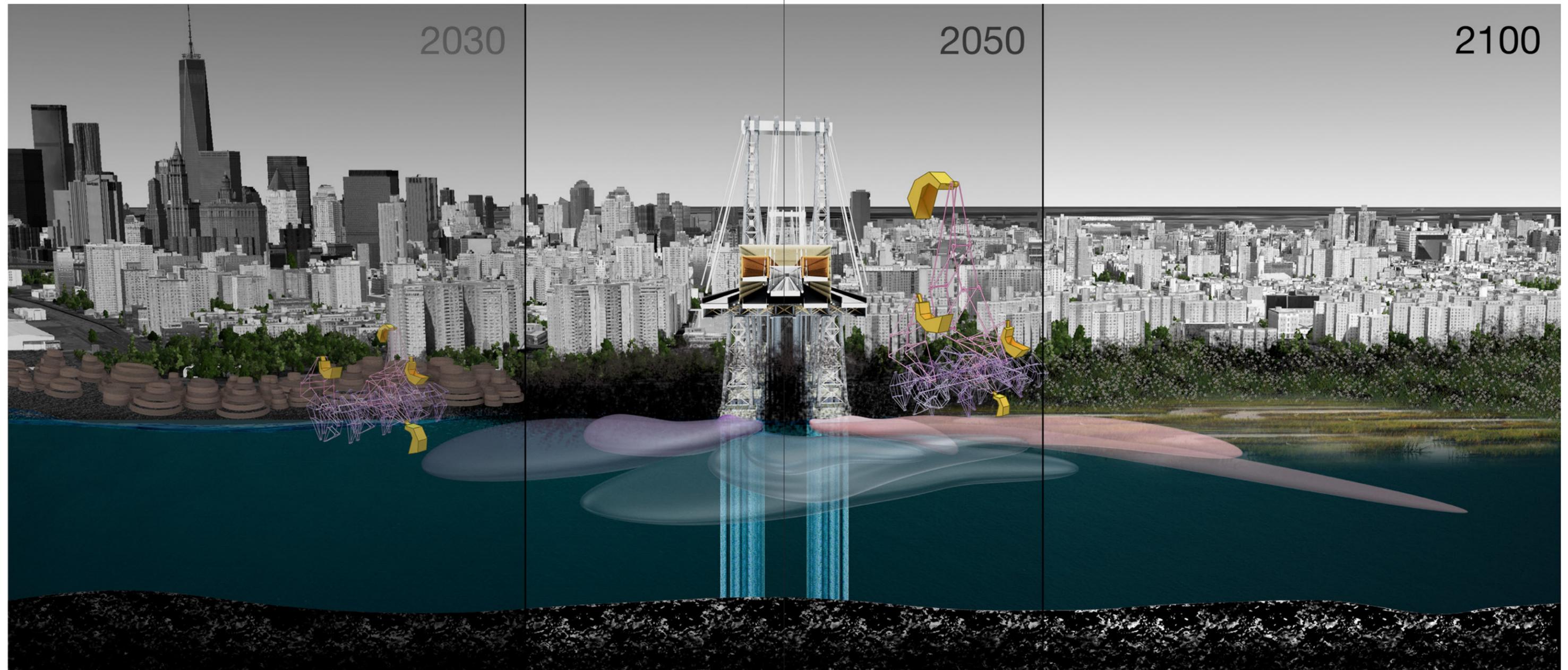
# PROGRASS

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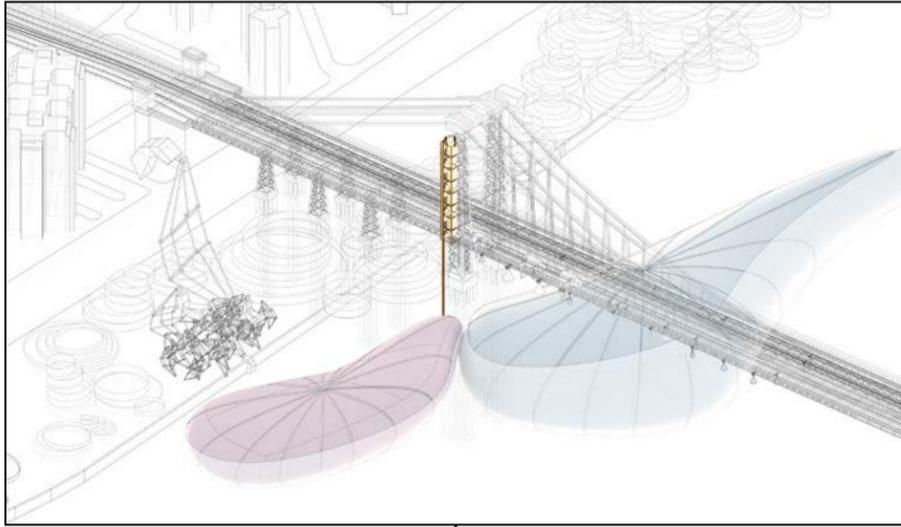
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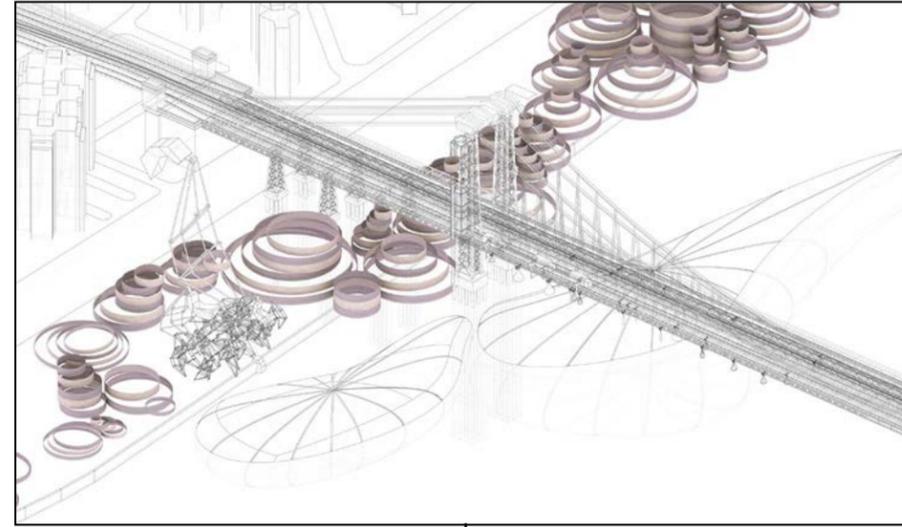
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Inflatable Infrastructure



Wood Ring Container



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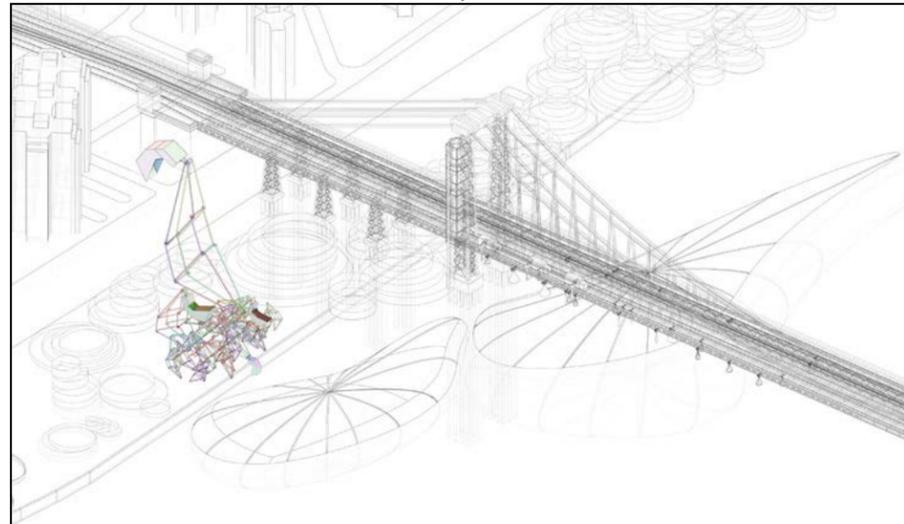
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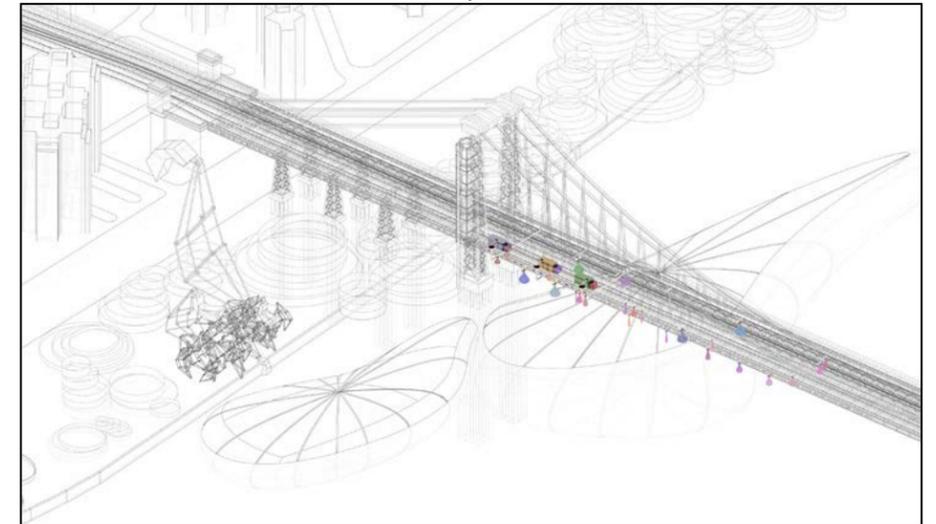
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Collector Device



Seed Spread System

# SITE PLAN

You might get a question that if we develop the site into a marshland, what about the plants and all living things that is now existing in our site? Should they just go away? Well we know that marshland is not a long term solution cuz sea level rising will not end up here. And we are not gonna always construct this kind of natural infrastructure to try to hold the city inside.

When the whole Manhattan is submerged by sea water, where can all living species that depend on soil go? So we are thinking why not see the process of sea level rising as a merging between the land and sea. Can we make a switch of the land being flashed by water to the land being surrounded by water? In this process, we construct a shelter for soil before it's submerged as well as creating the space for living plants, which is our third bubble system, moving them into the sea, kind of creating an underwater inland community, to shape an interaction between the sea and the land.

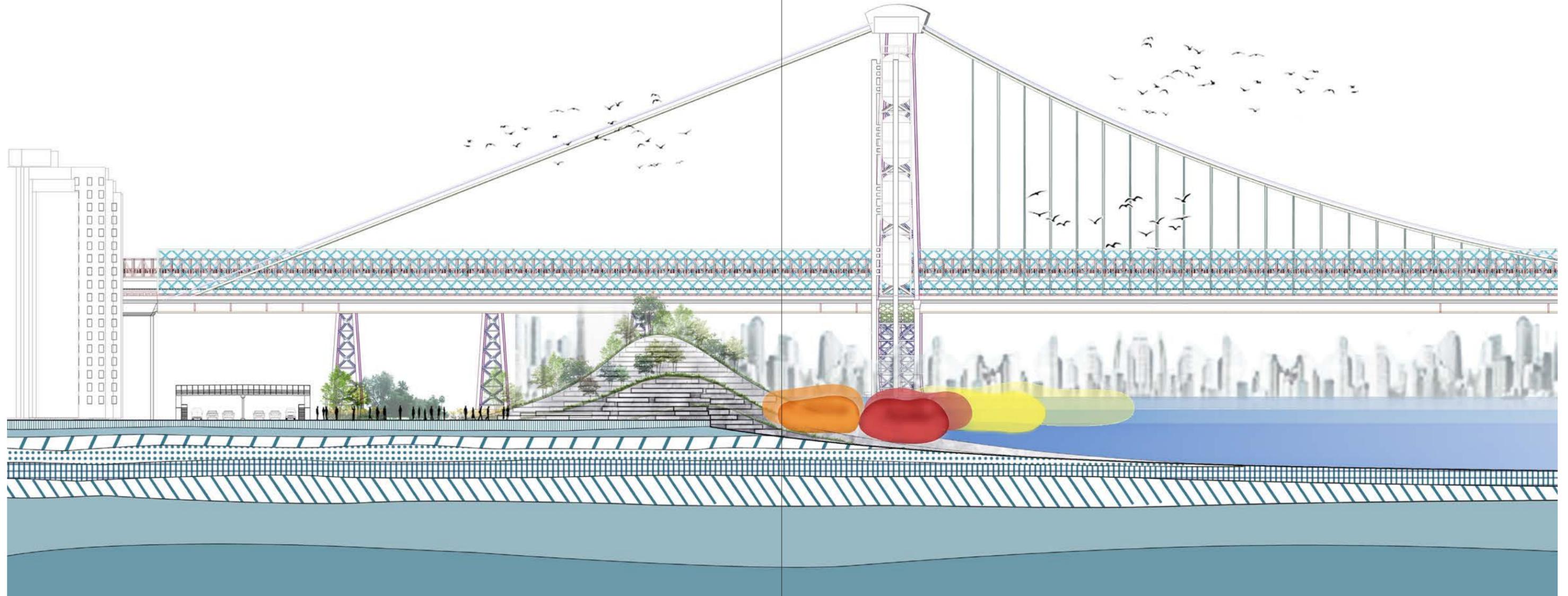


# SITE SECTION

So, What to do with the East River Park? How to deal with a site made of overlaid toxic soil and sea level rise?  
We started to wonder: what is the land? what is the soil? what could be a better connection between land and water?

**-Instead of building the wall, we are continuing the history of site.**

This project is about continuing adding layers of soil, collected as sediment from the river, until a marshland is created, hacking Williamsburg bridge in order to operate the shoreline.



# COMMUNITY GARDEN

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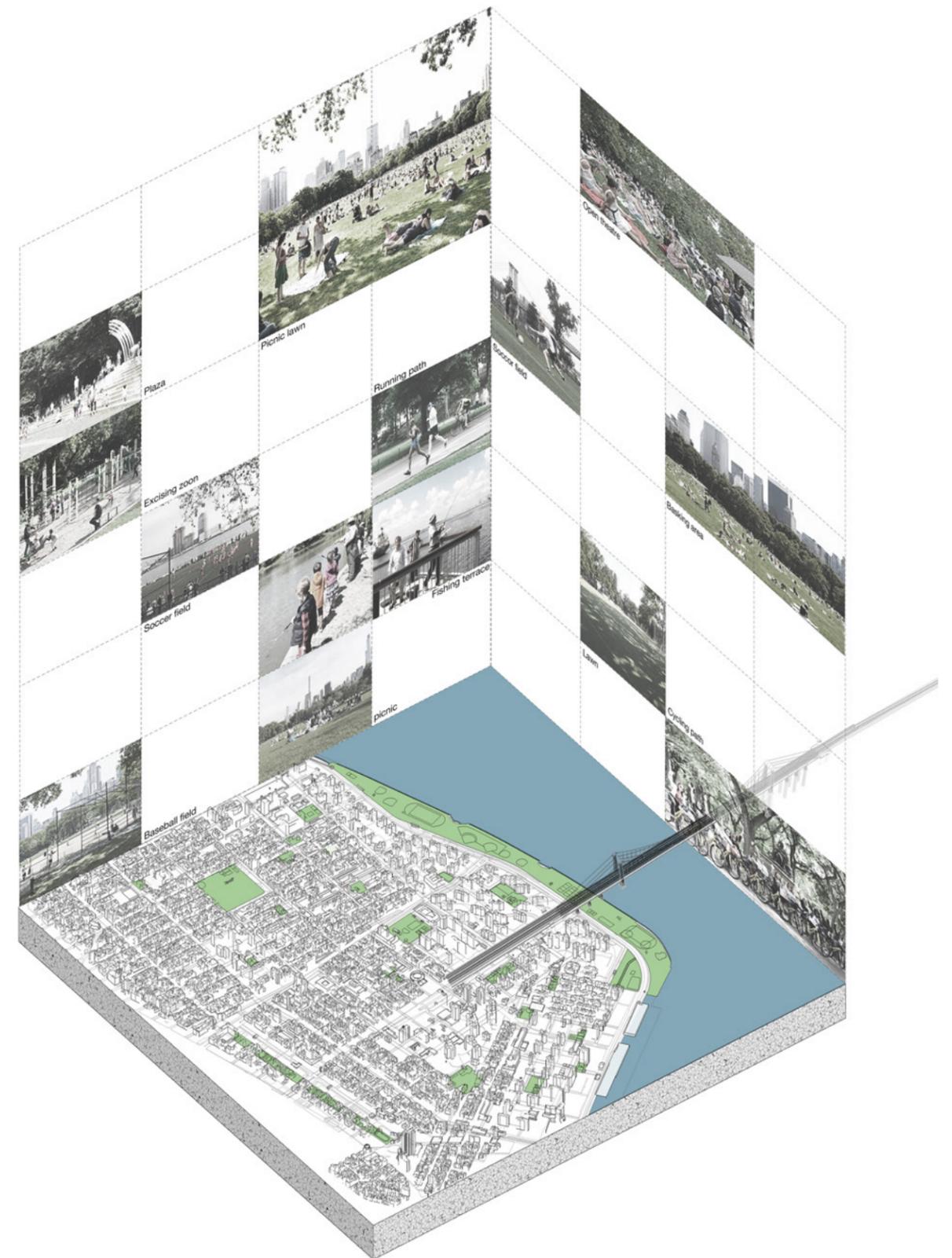
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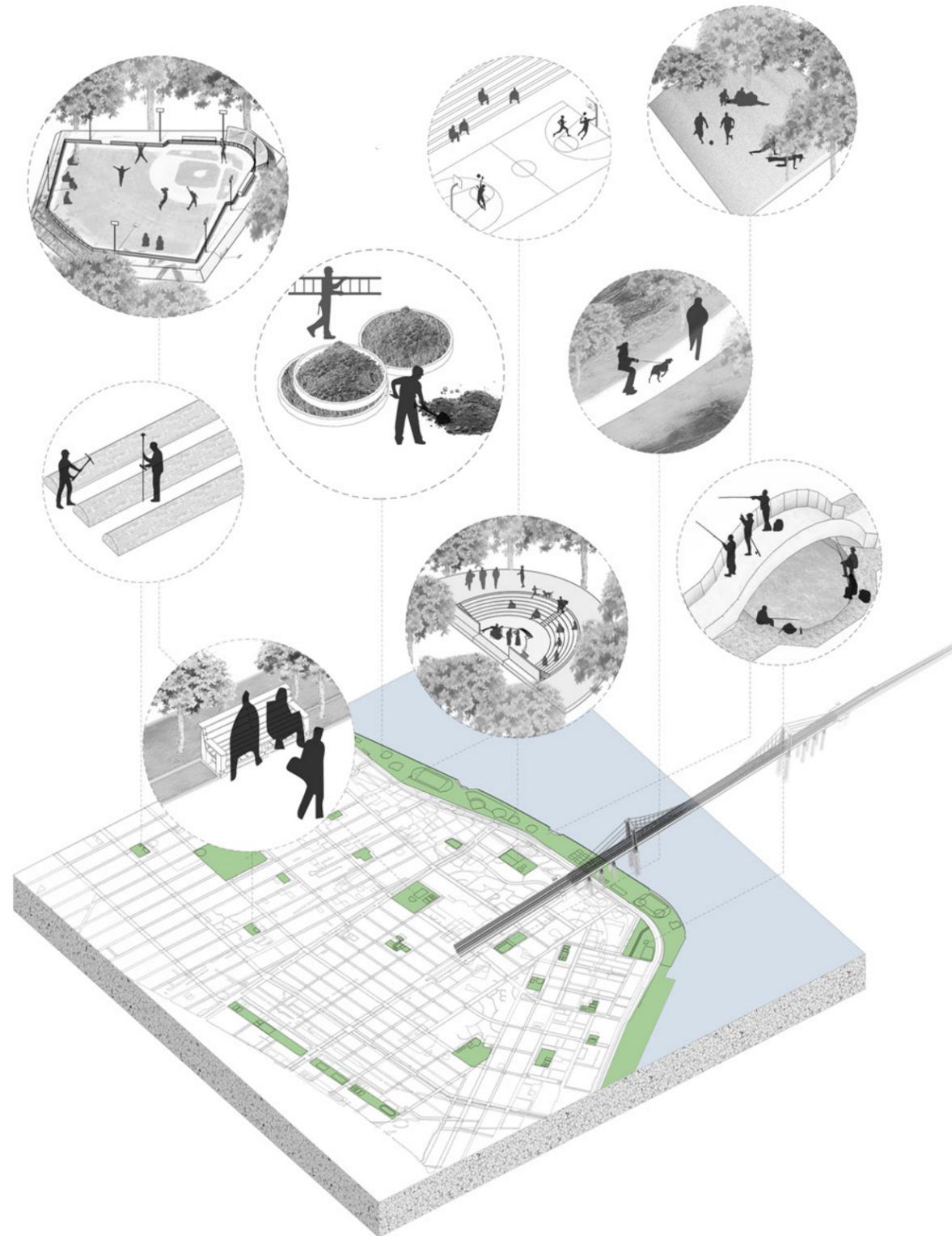
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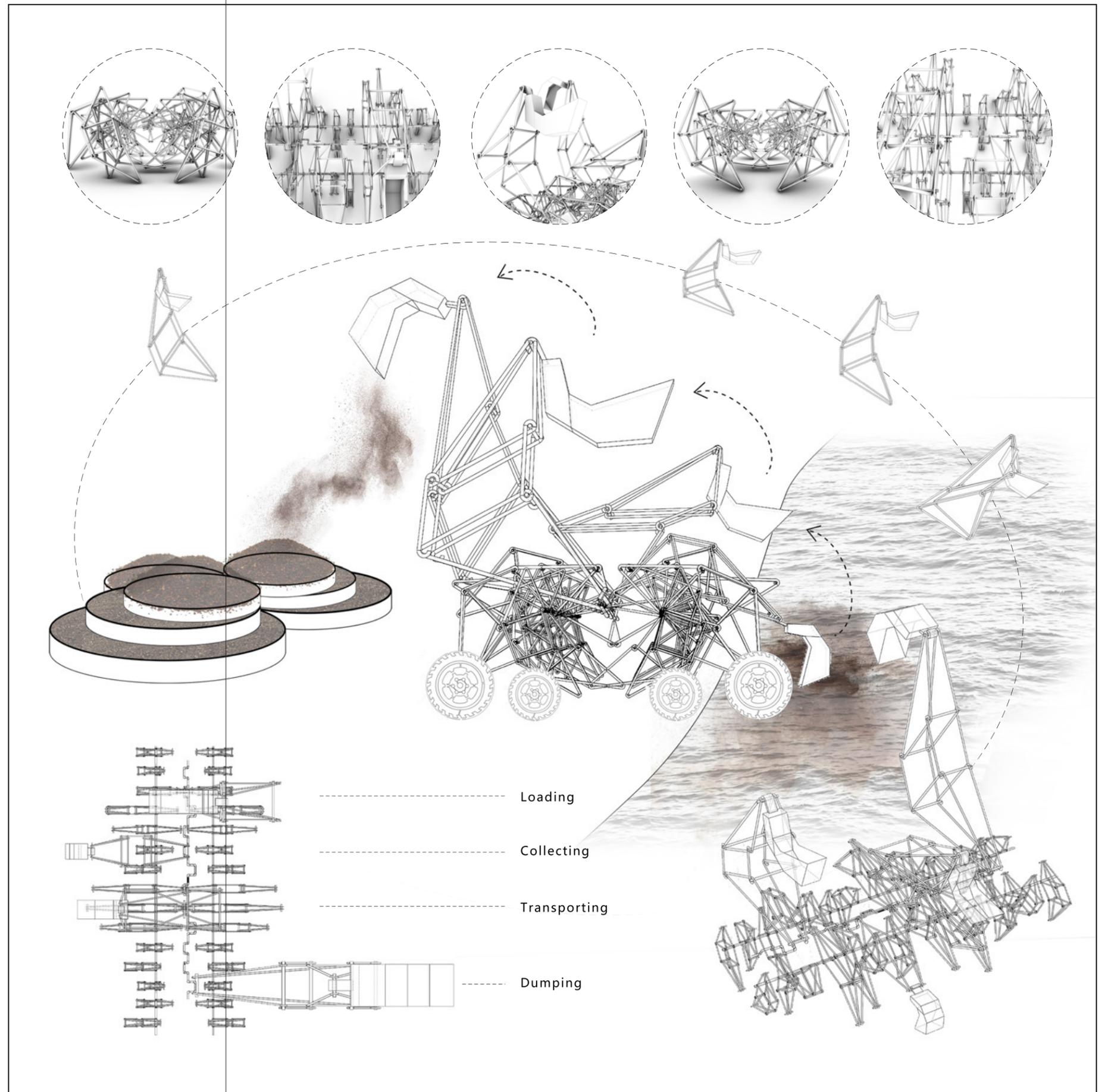
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# COLLECTOR DEVICE

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The duty of collector device is about shipping the sediment next to those inflatable structure to the land. And since the wet sensor has been installed on the feet of the collector device, therefore the machine will return back to the ground once the water getting over the machine more than 50% which could protect the collector device from damaging inside the water. The machine is designed with different working zone in the feet area, such as the function of loading, collecting, transporting, dumping.





The East River Park, in lower Manhattan, is the lowest elevation in the island, and has flooded many times in the past decades. Currently, New York City government has decided to close the park in December 2019 for the next 3 years. They are going to bury the entire park to lift it up as one sea wall. Which might not be the best solution for the city and the East Village neighborhood.

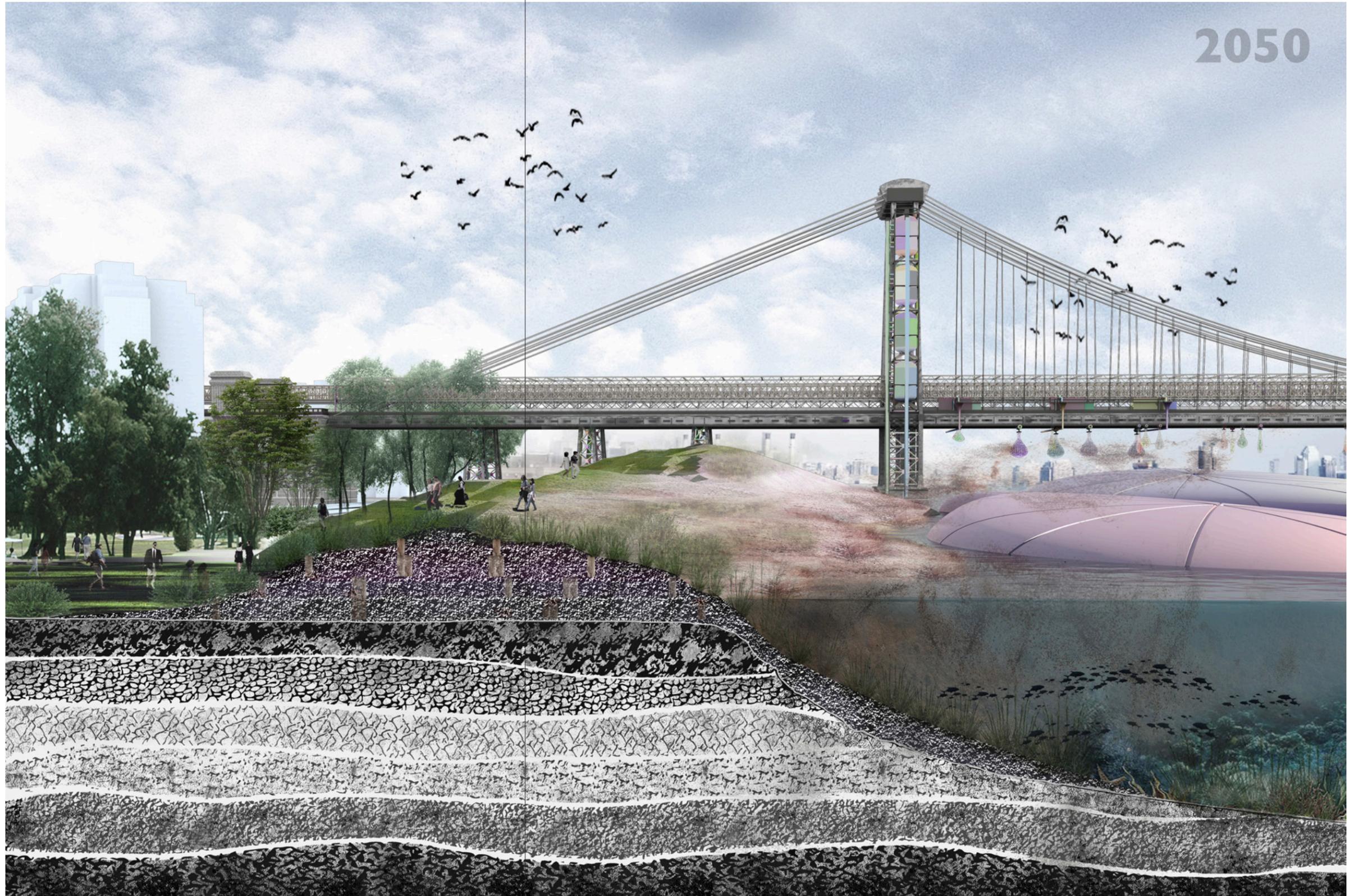
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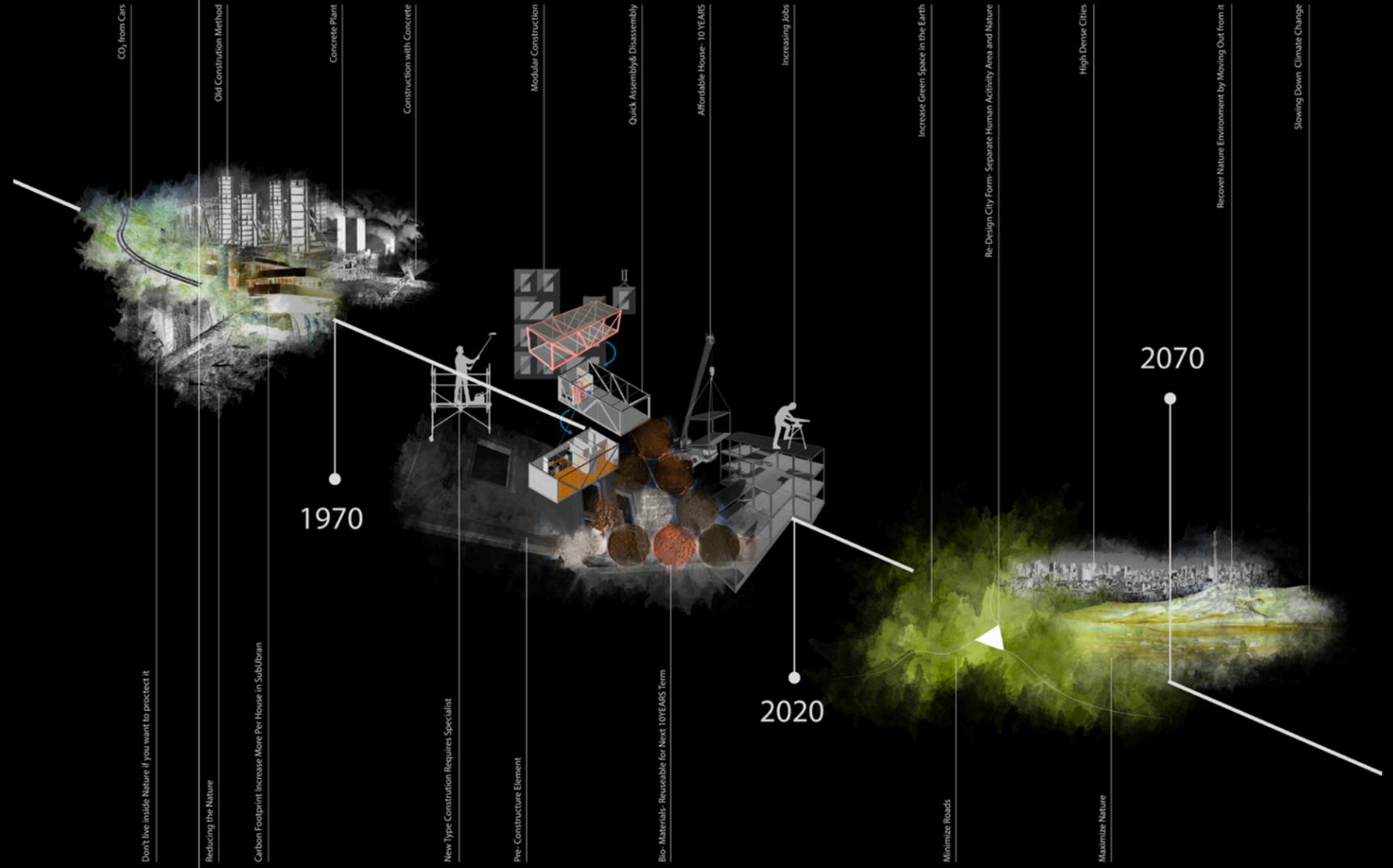
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**Location:** Los Angeles

**Professor:** David Benjamin

**Year:** FALL 2019

**Designer:** Luyi Huang



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| Centralized City | -----> | Half Land Occupation |
| Vertical Block   | -----> | Community & Social   |
| Robotic Unit     | -----> | Half sqft Unit Size  |

2019



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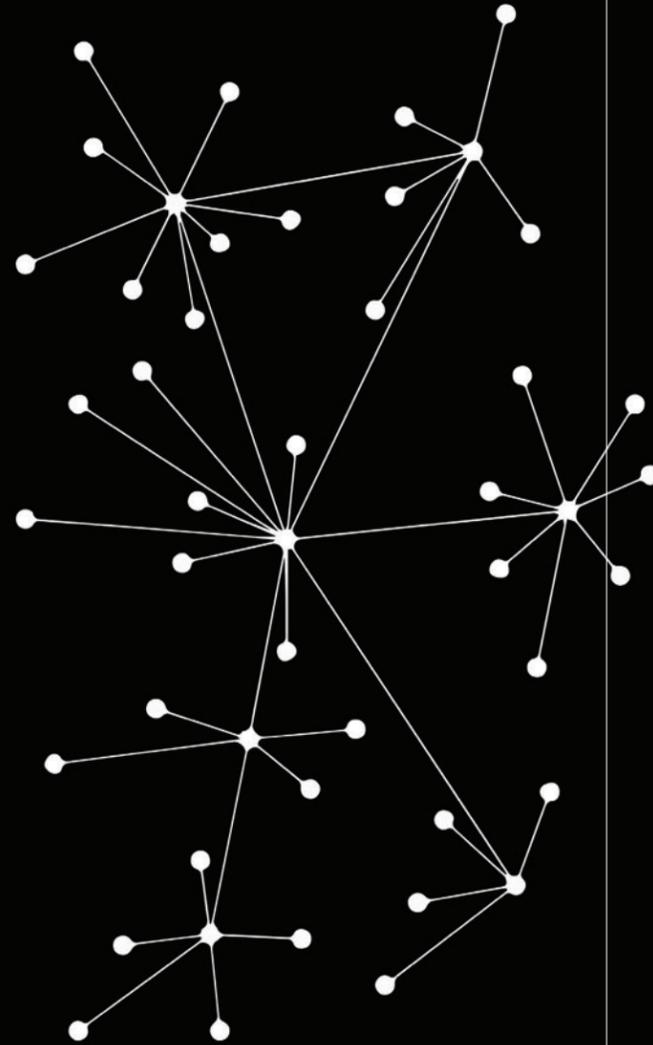


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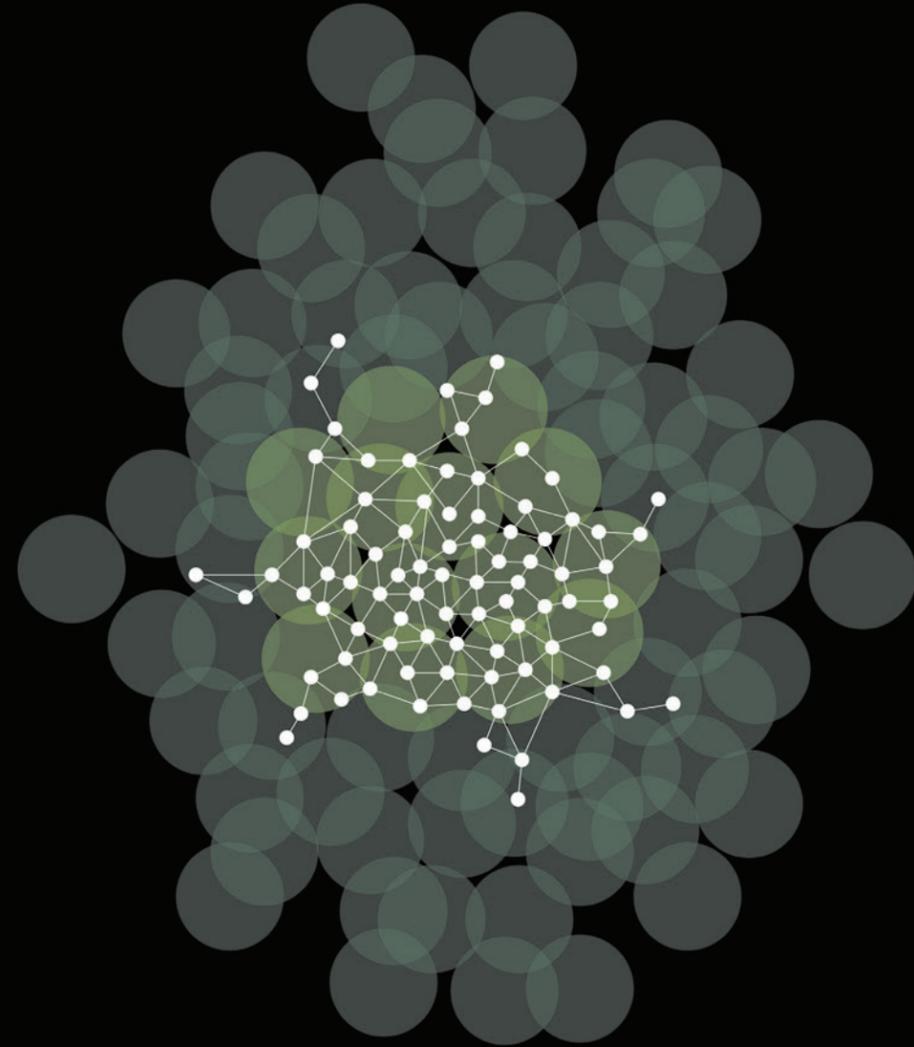
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# FUTURE CITY FORM

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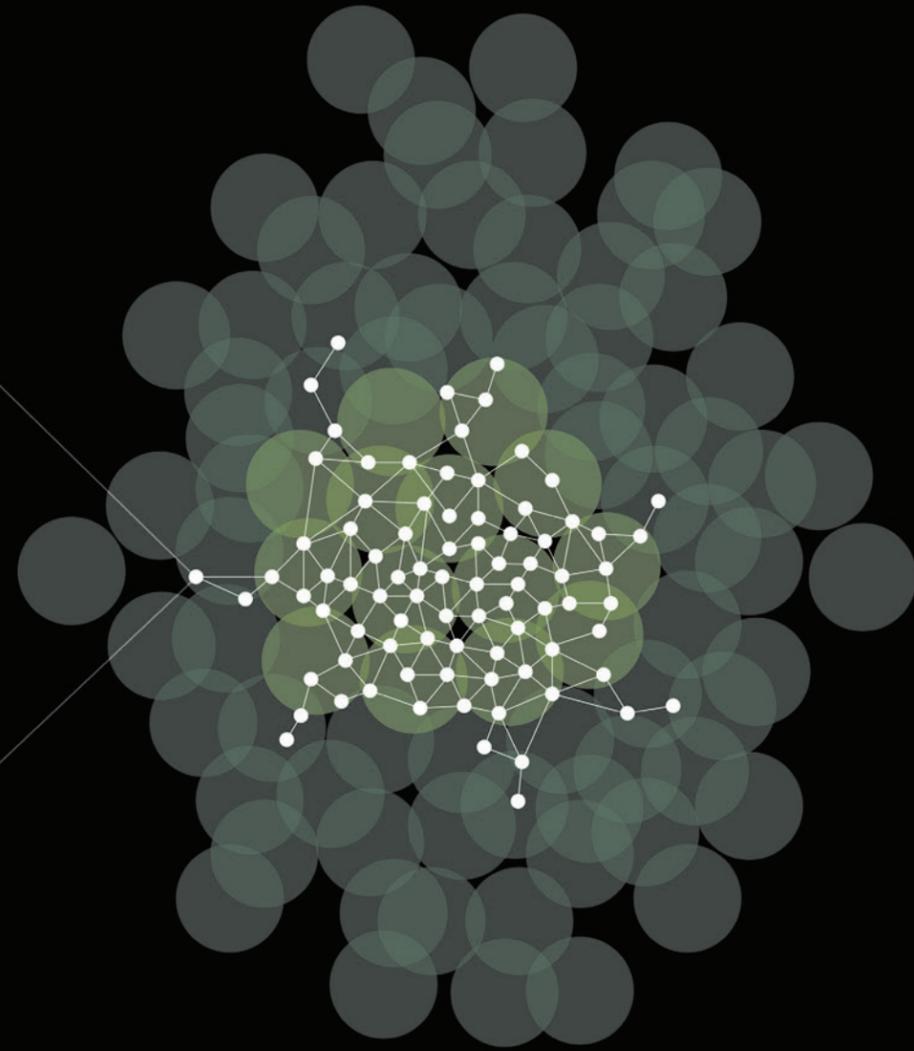
L.A. Present



L.A. in 50 years

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# FUTURE URBAN COMMUNITY

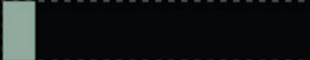
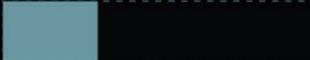


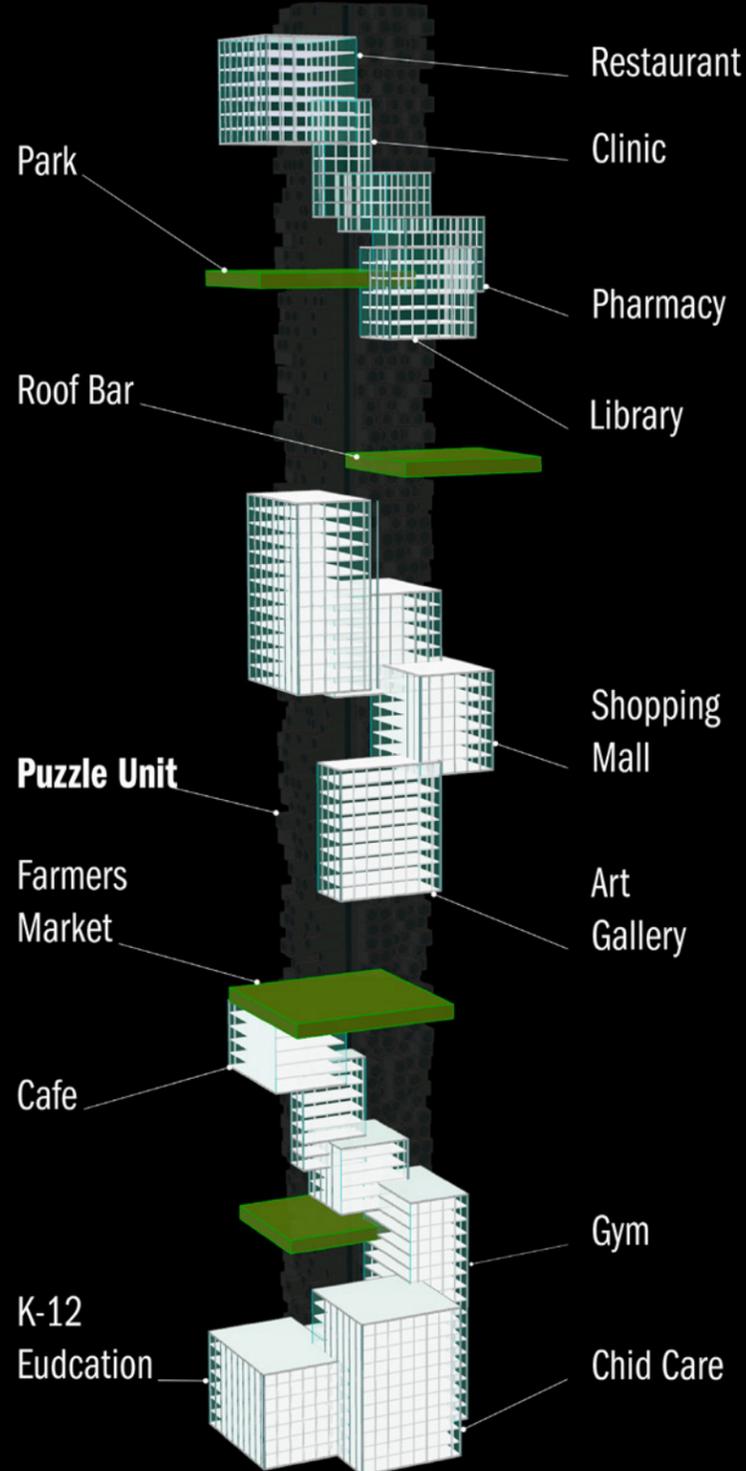
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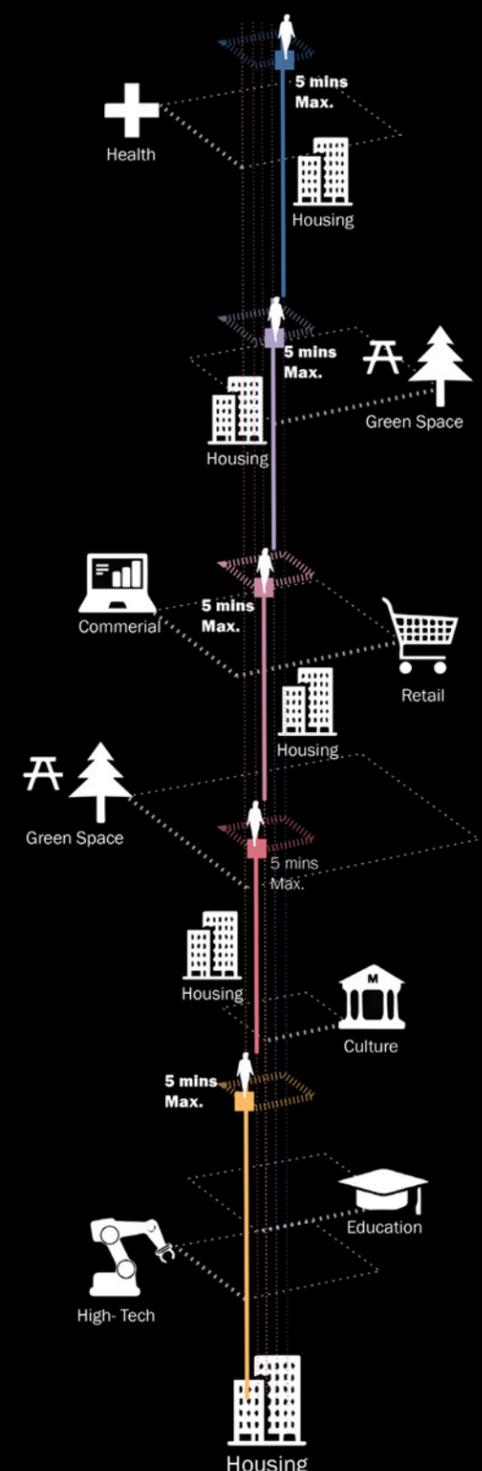
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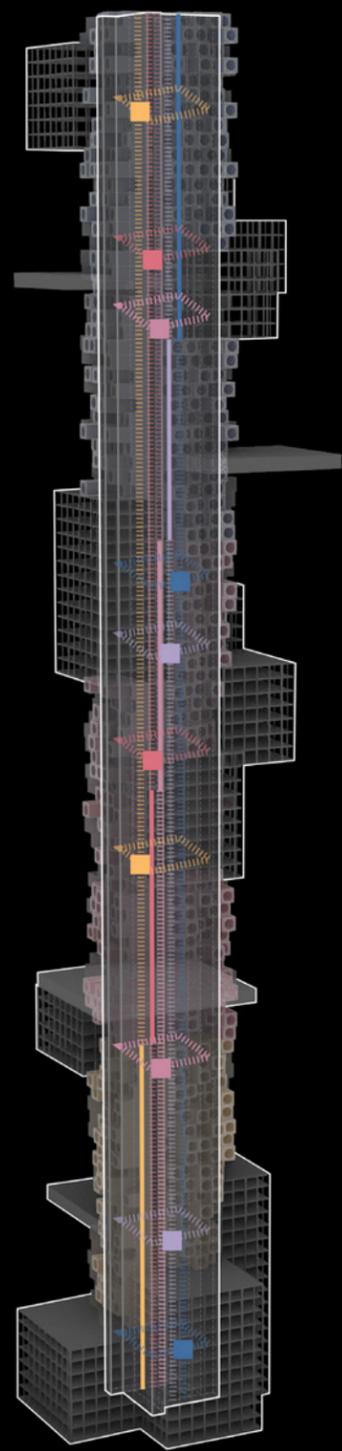
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-  Education
-  Art
-  Wellness
-  Commerical



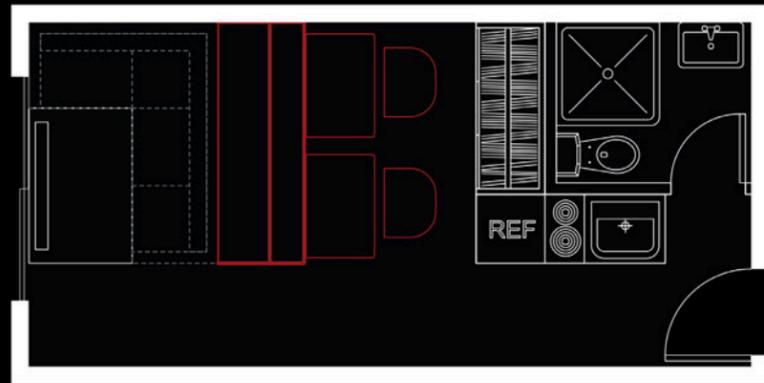
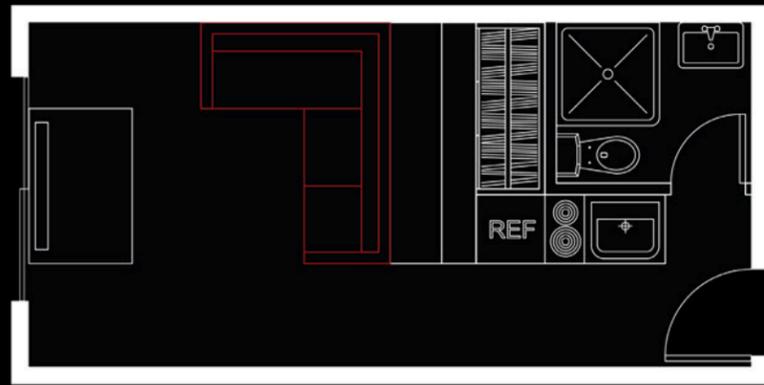
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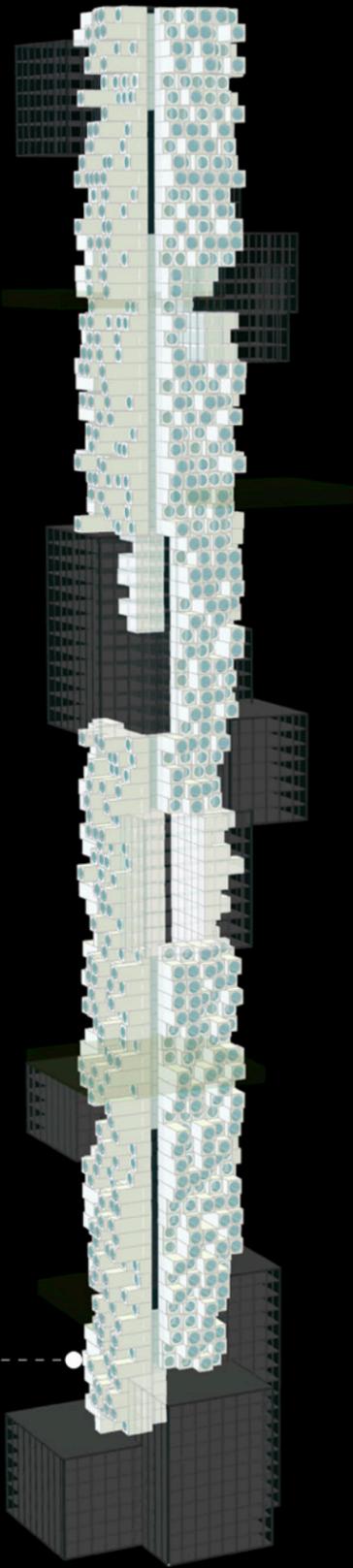
Circulation



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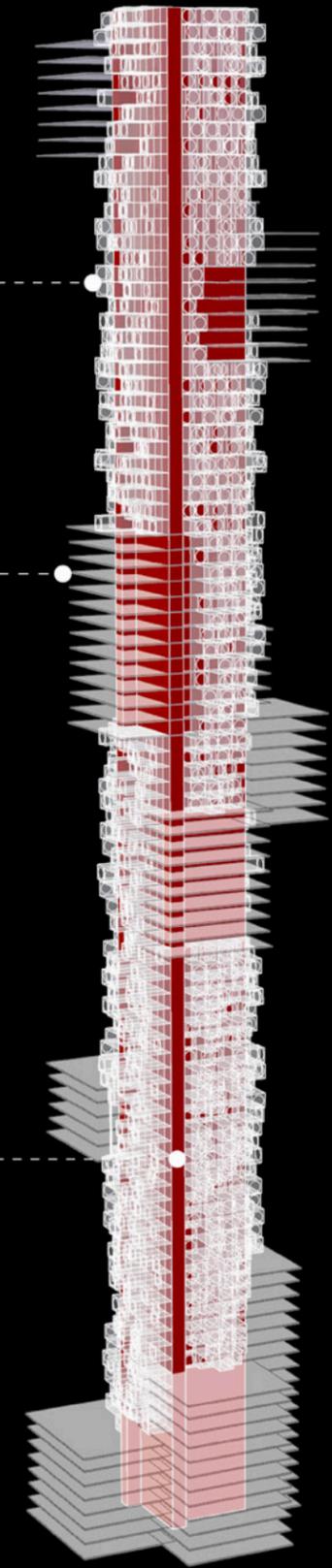
Robotic Units



Residents - Units

Government - Retail

Government - Core



Ownership

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68

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2560  
units

80 floors

800ft

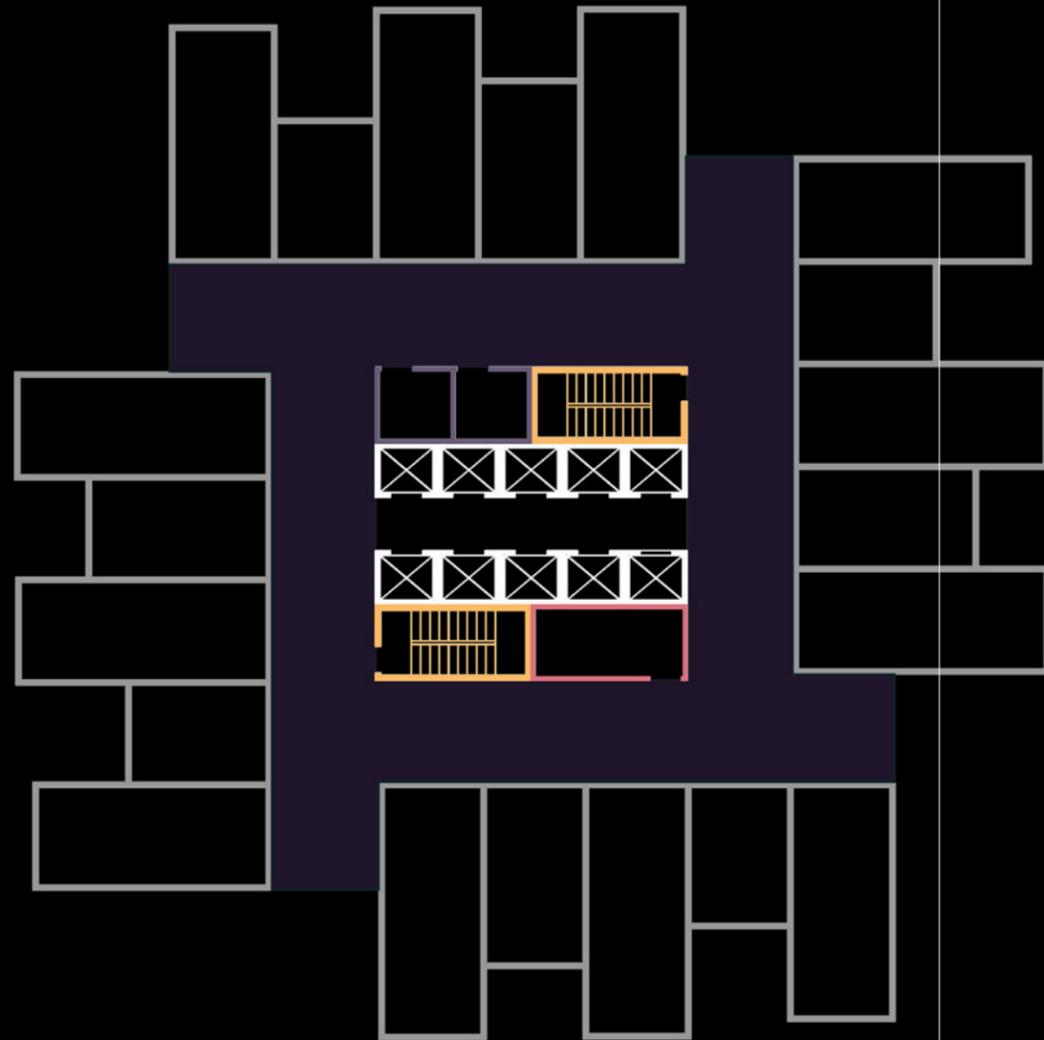


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# Service Core

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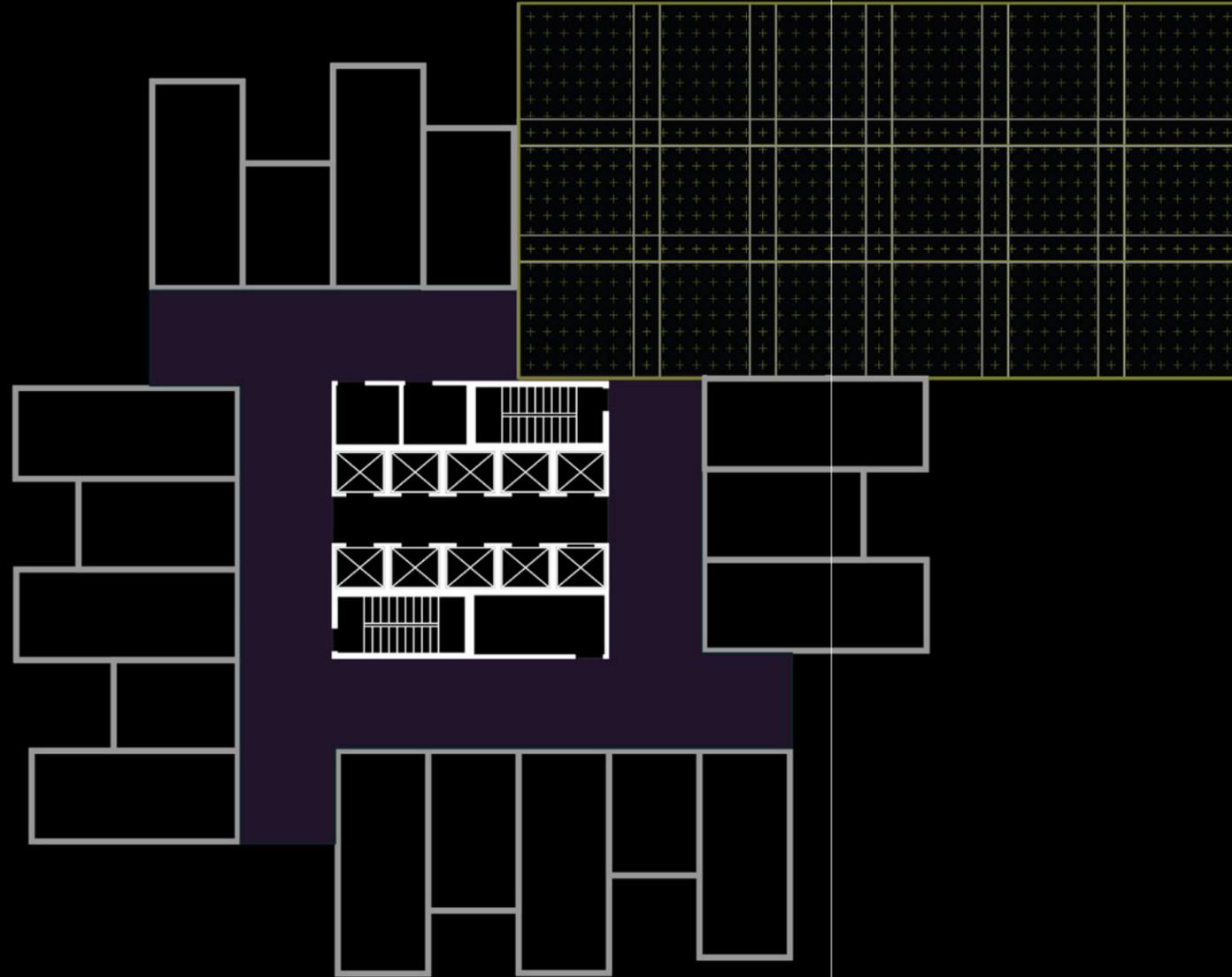
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- Electrics & Data
- Mechanical Room

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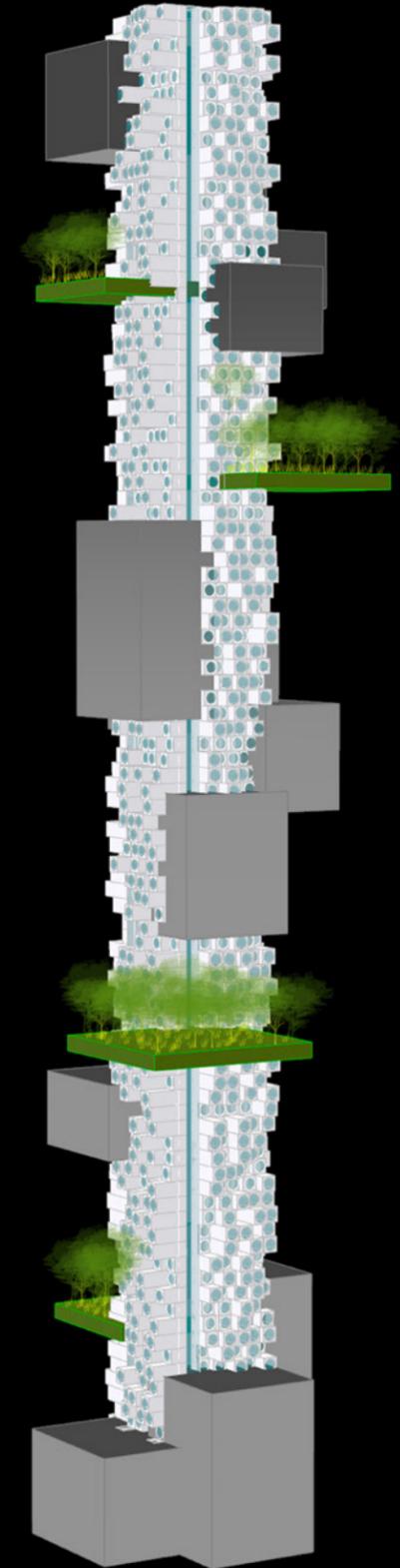
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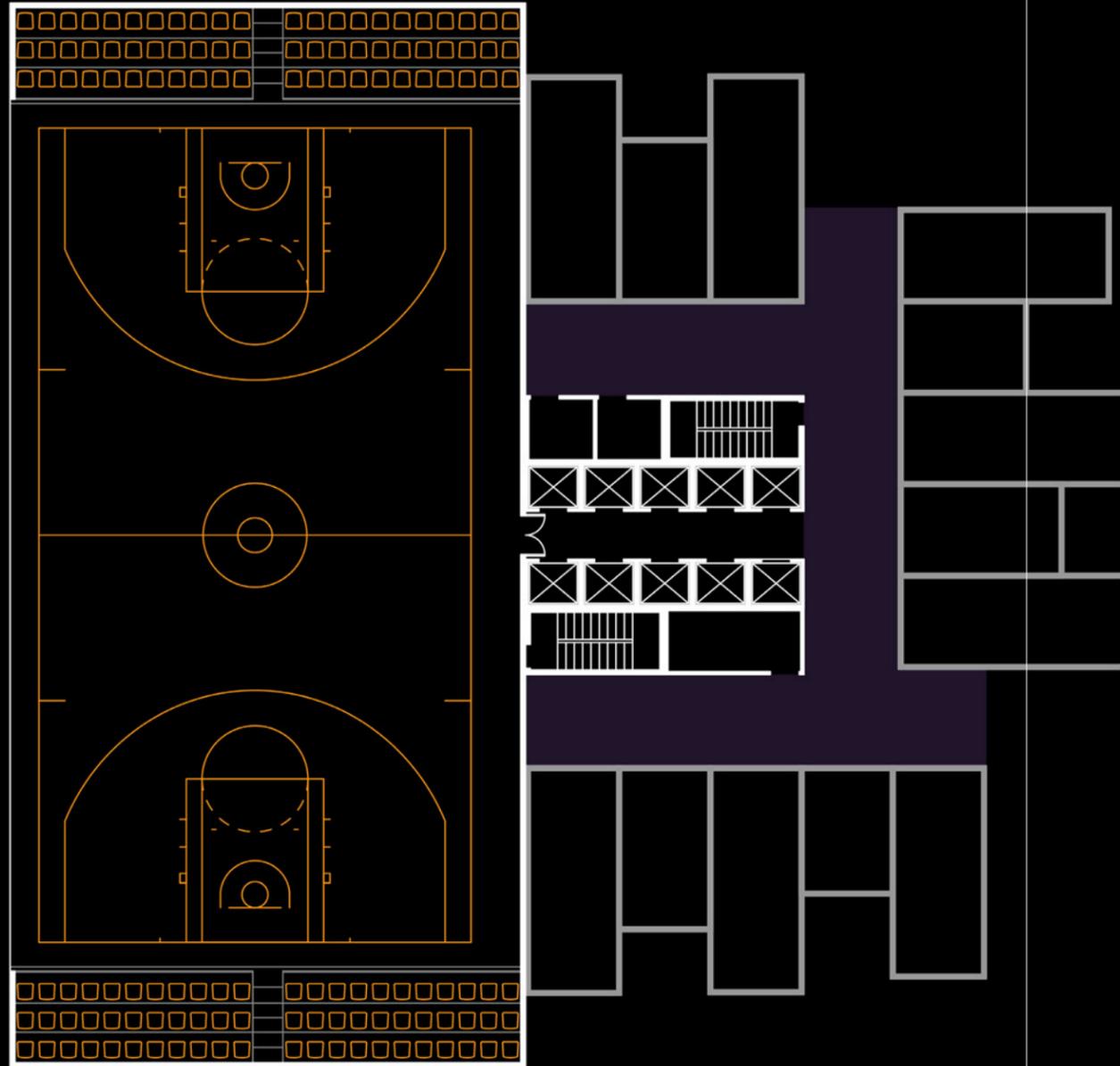
- Core
- Units
- Circulation
- Green Space

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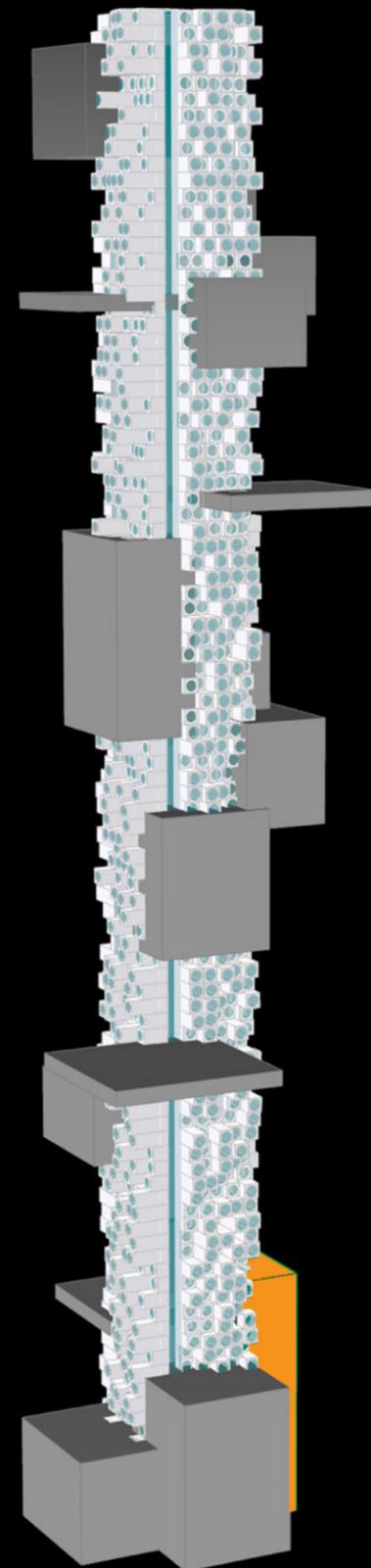
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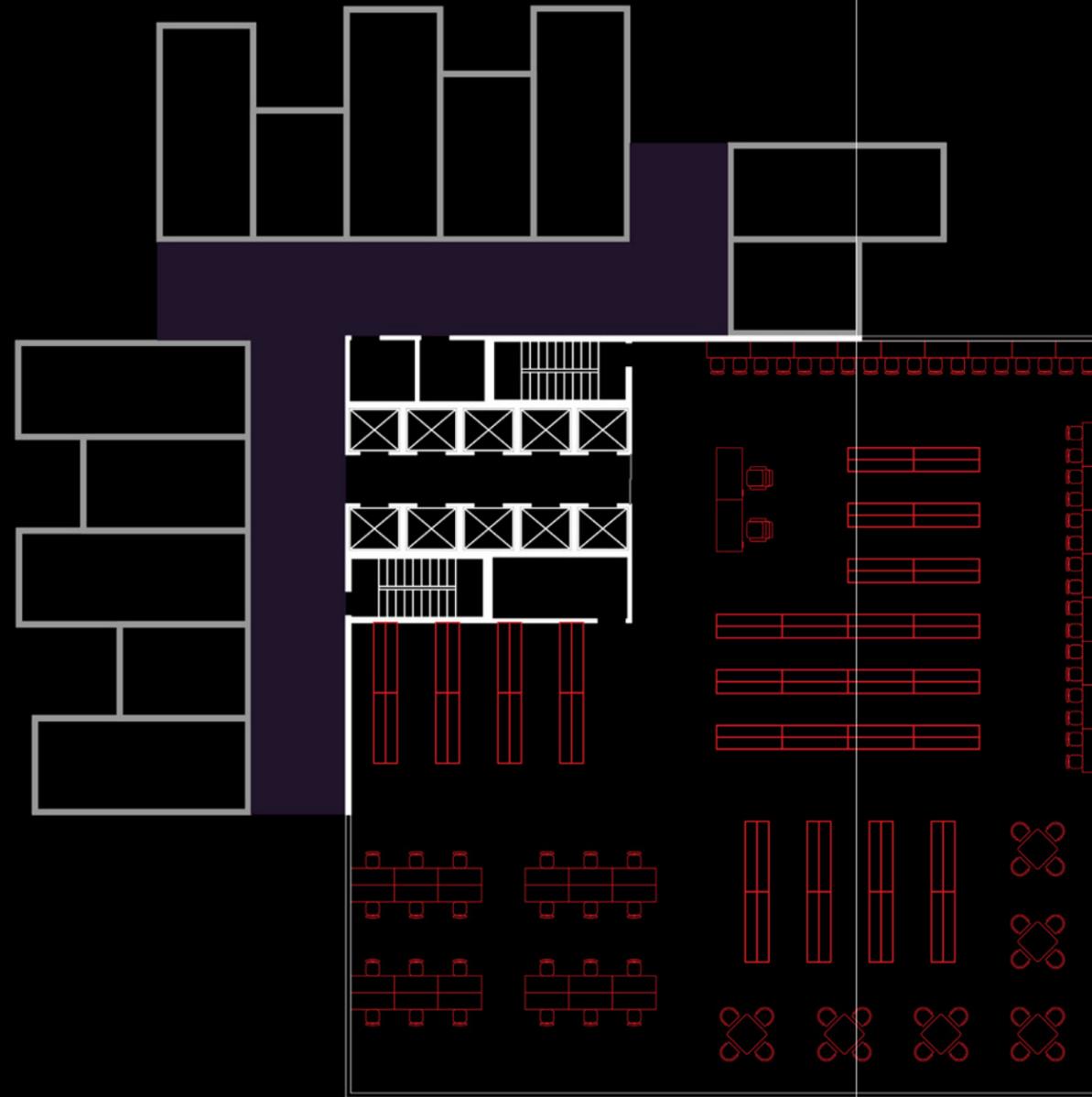
- Core
- Units
- Circulation
- Basketball Court

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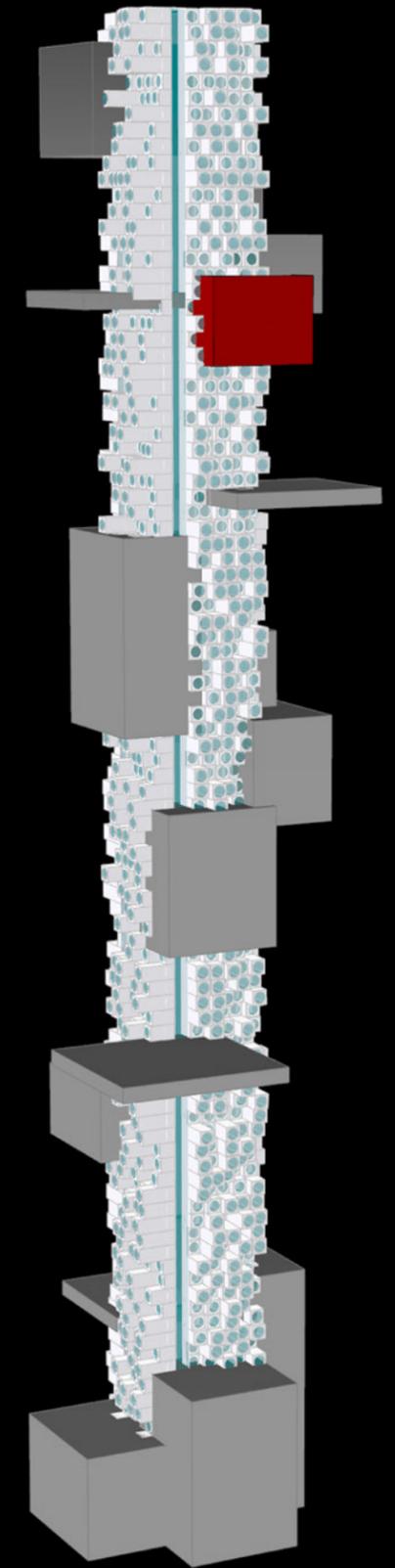
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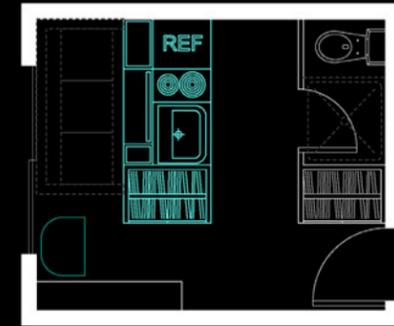
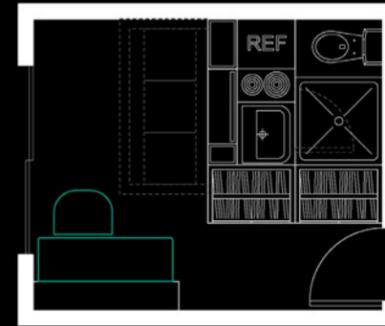
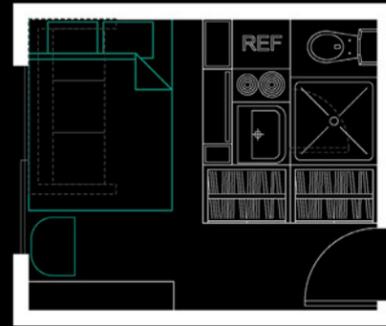
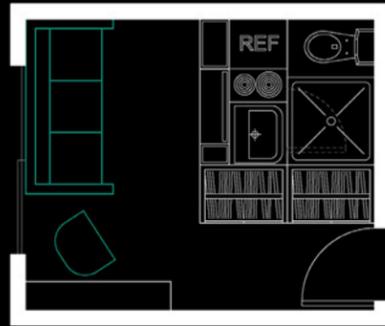


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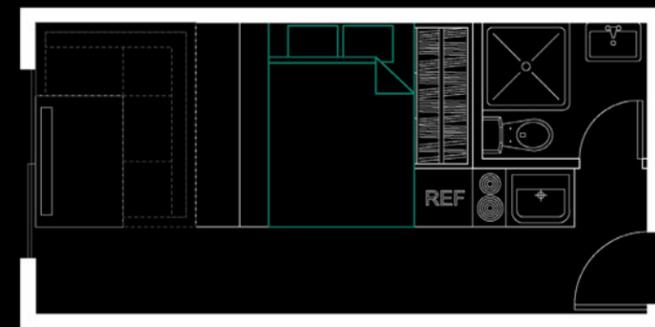
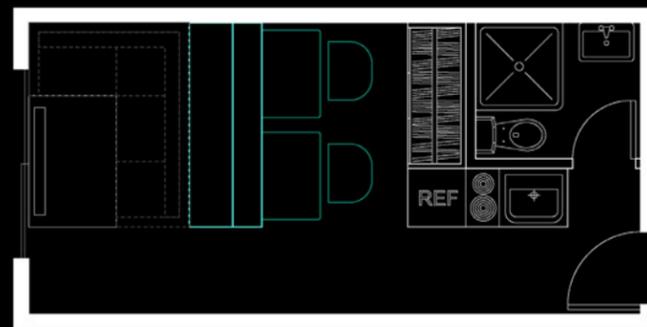
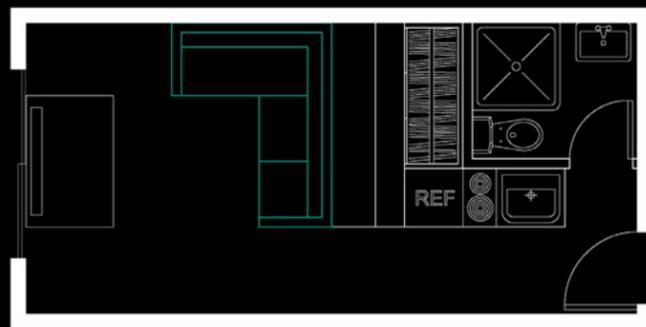
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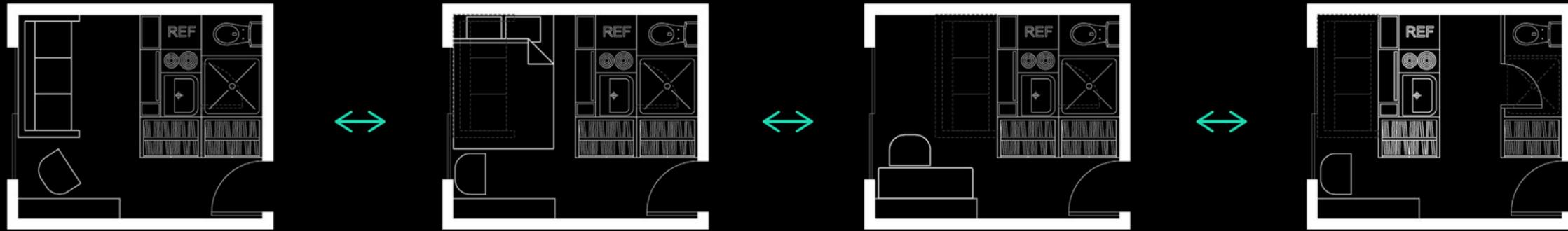
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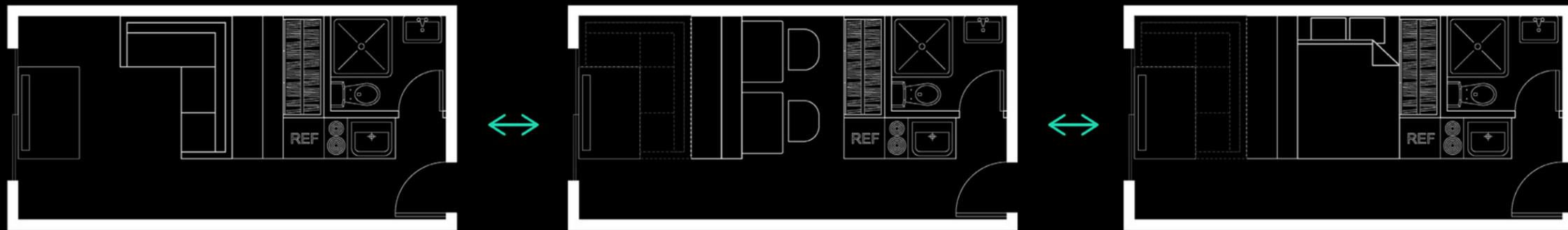
# 1 BED 1 BATH (210 sqft = 516sqft)



### STUDIO (120 sqft)



### 1 BED 1 BATH (210 sqft)



HALF FOOTPRINT



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# CULTURAL NEST

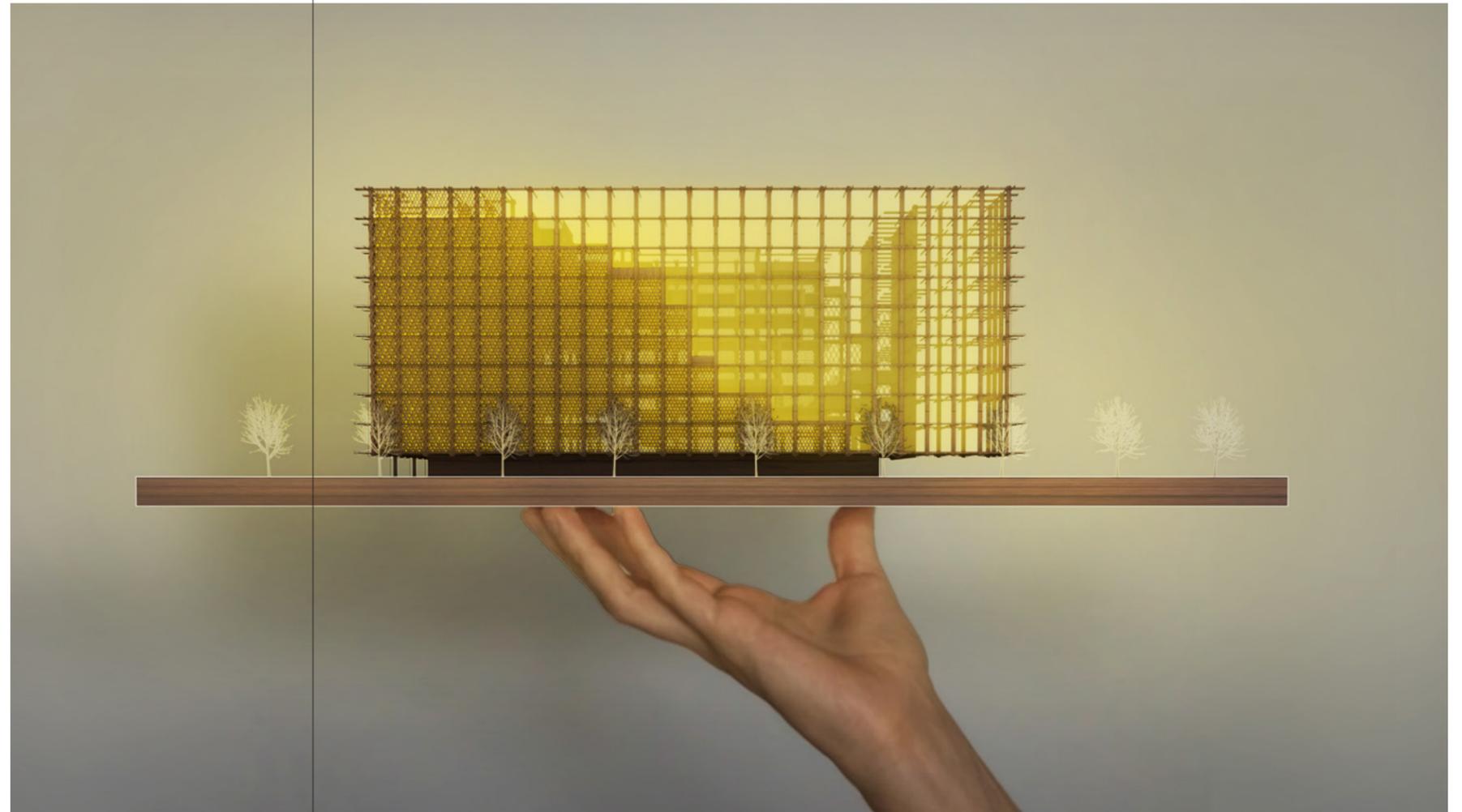
**Project:** Mixed-Used& Public Stairs

**Location:** Washington, D.C

**Professor:** Hilary Mary Sample-Meredith

**Year:** Spring 2020

**Team:** Luyi Huang and Yanan Cheng



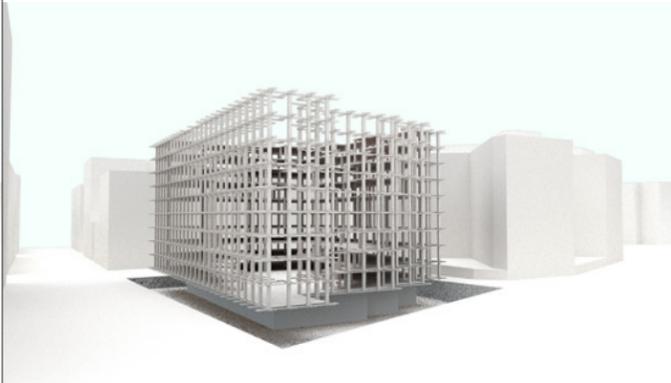
# CONCEPT DIAGRAM



Lifting the volume for the space use. And separate the building from the city by isolate the from the side walk.



Opening the half of volume space for the interior garden gathering and multiple program .

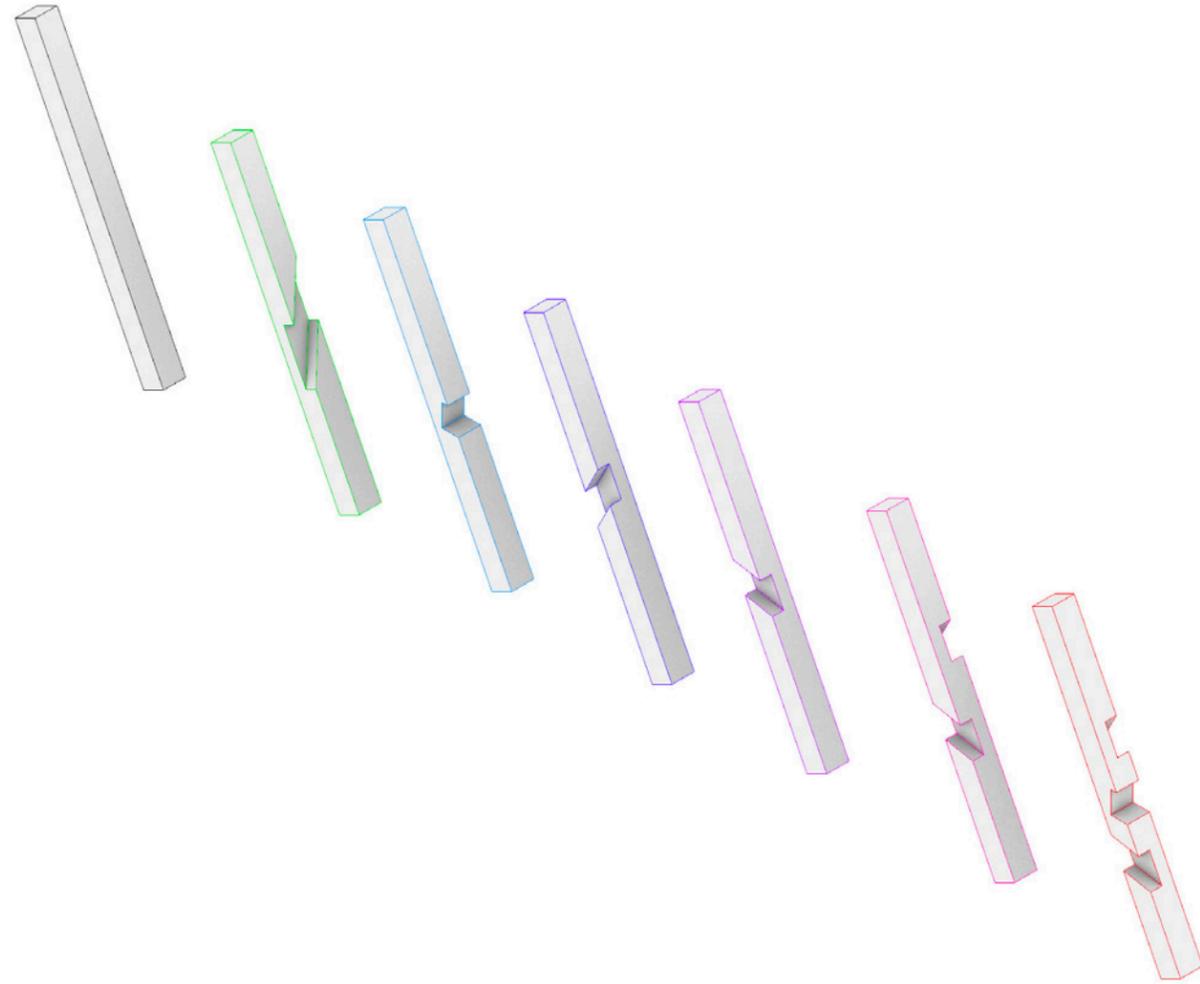


30' x 30' Structure gird to building up the structure of nest and divide the space in the module way.



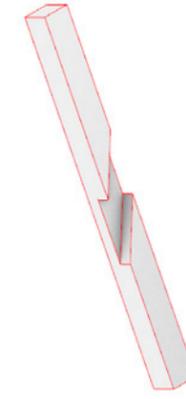
The timber face is installed the different face depends ont the light control needs. And the moat protected the buildings.

# JOINTS CONNECTION OF FACADE

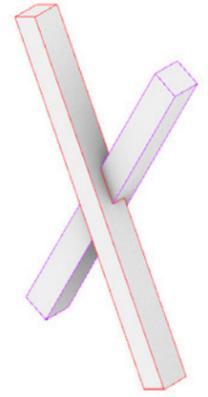


1.Variation of Wood Joints

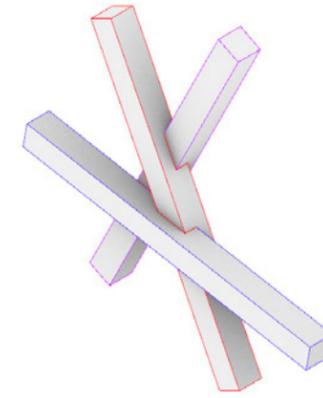
## 2. Modules



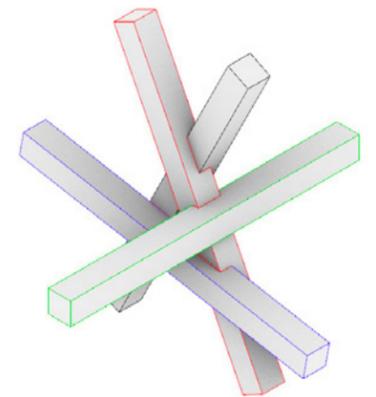
Modules- 1 piece



Modules- 2 pieces



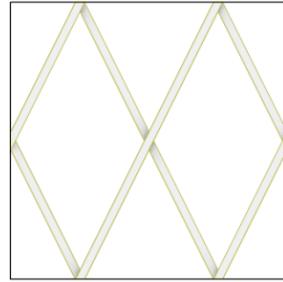
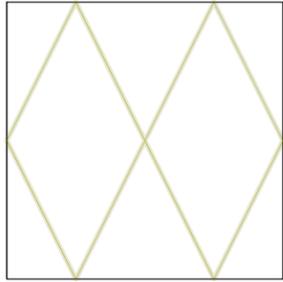
Modules- 3 piece



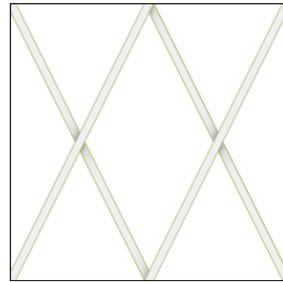
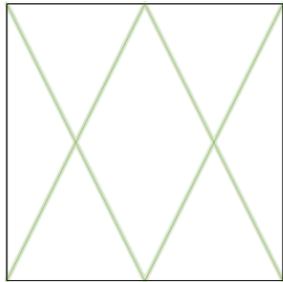
Modules- 4 pieces

# FACADE PATTERN

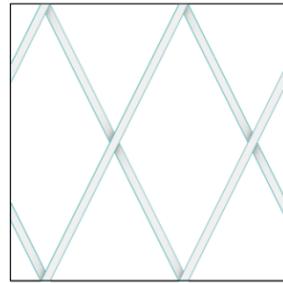
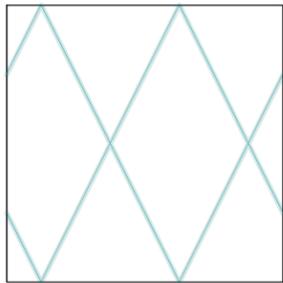
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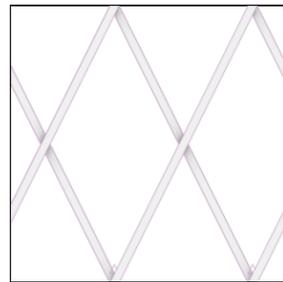
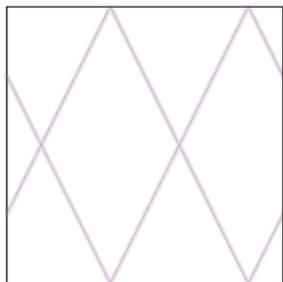
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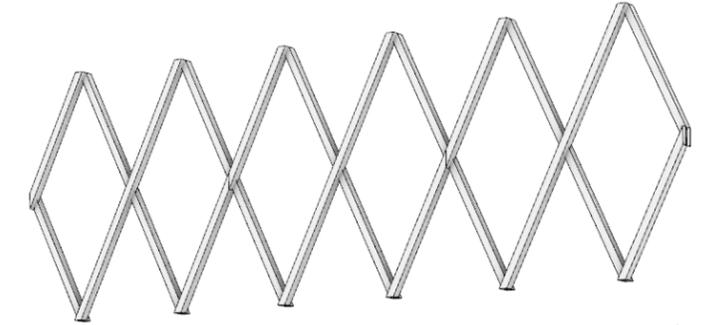
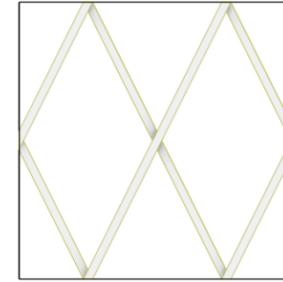
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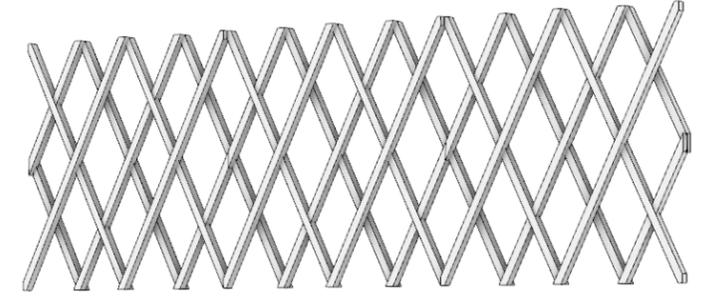
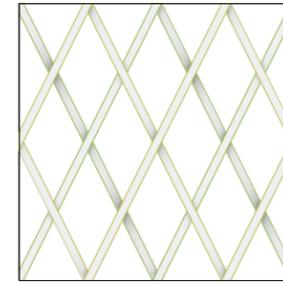
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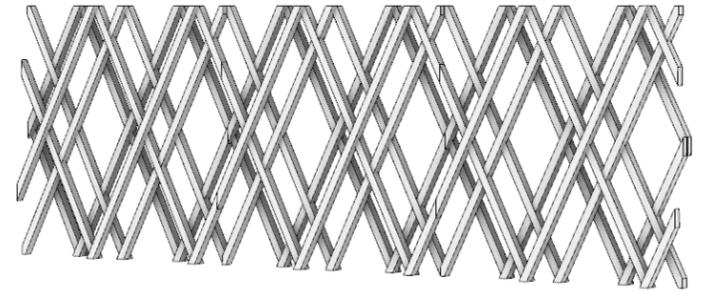
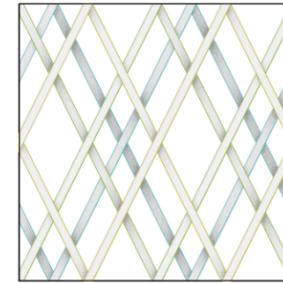
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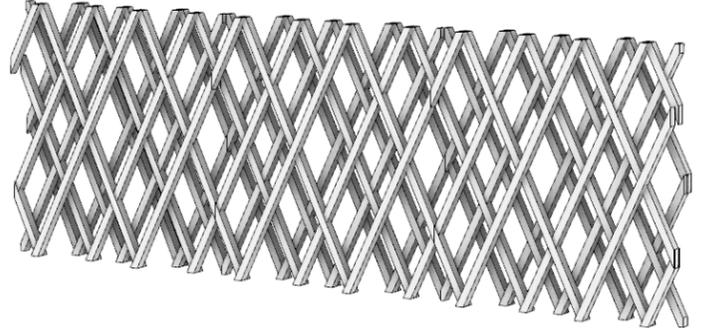
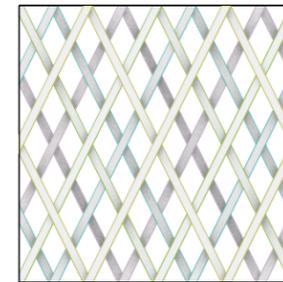
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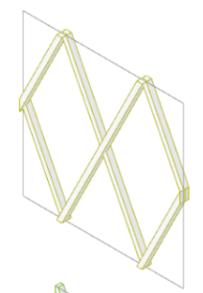


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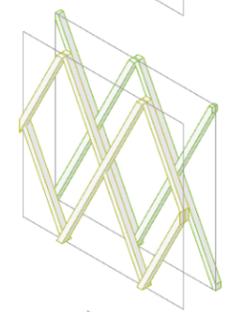
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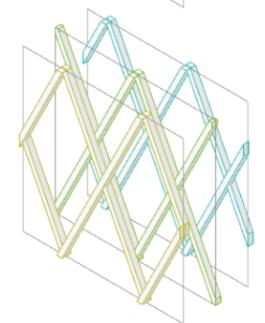
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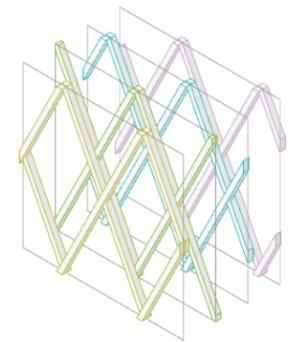
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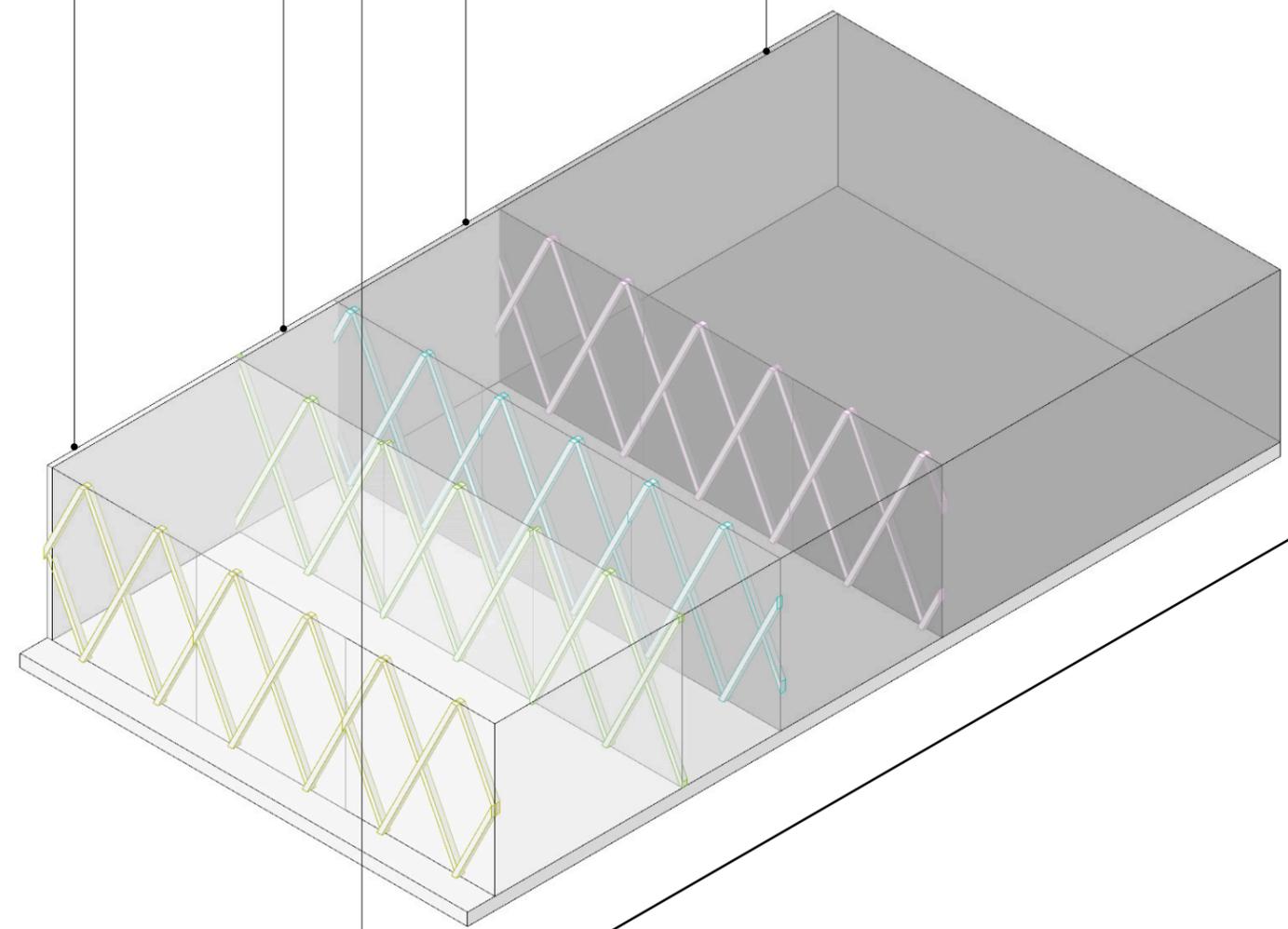


Soical Space

Education

Restaurant

Gallery



Darker

Lighter

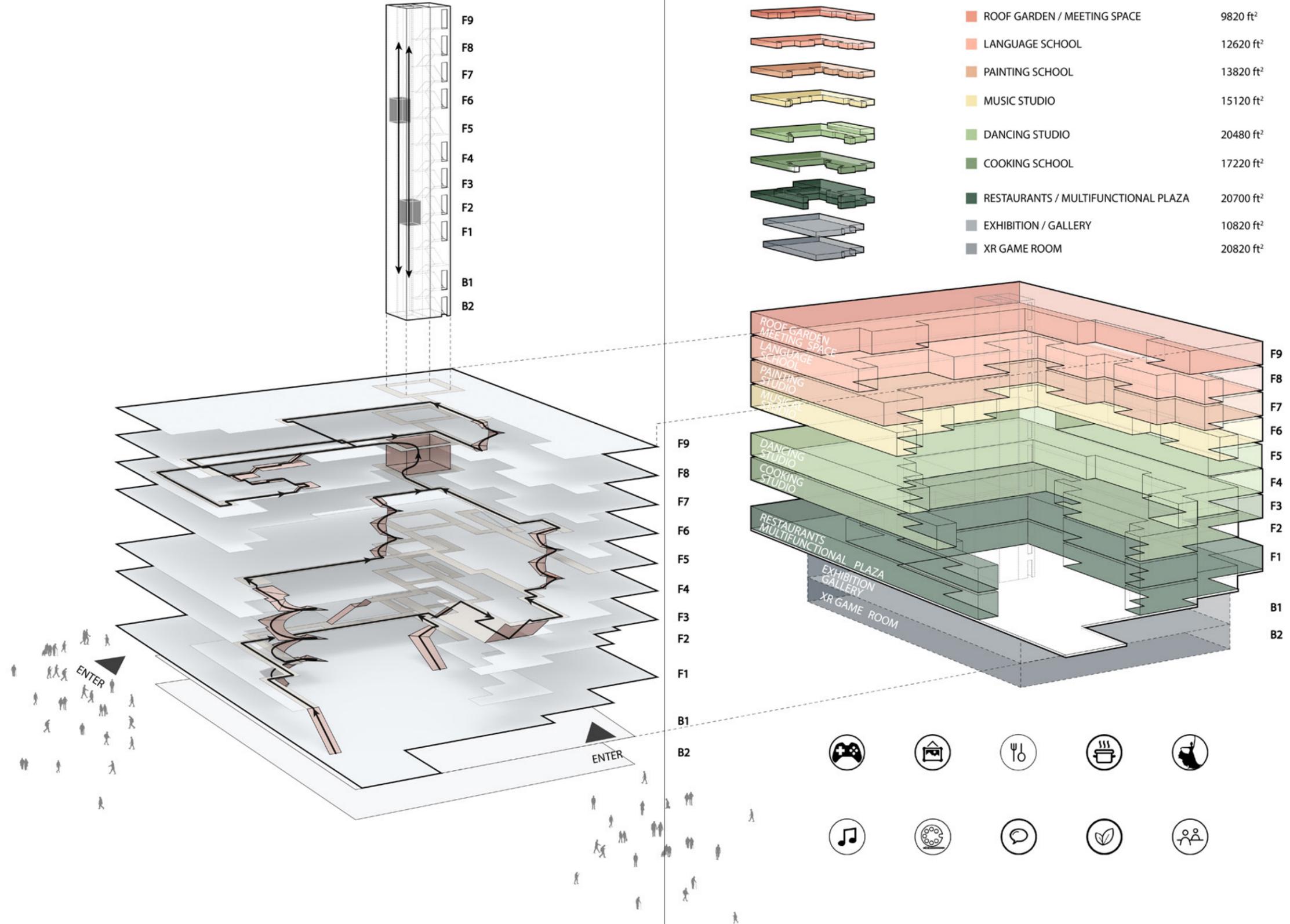
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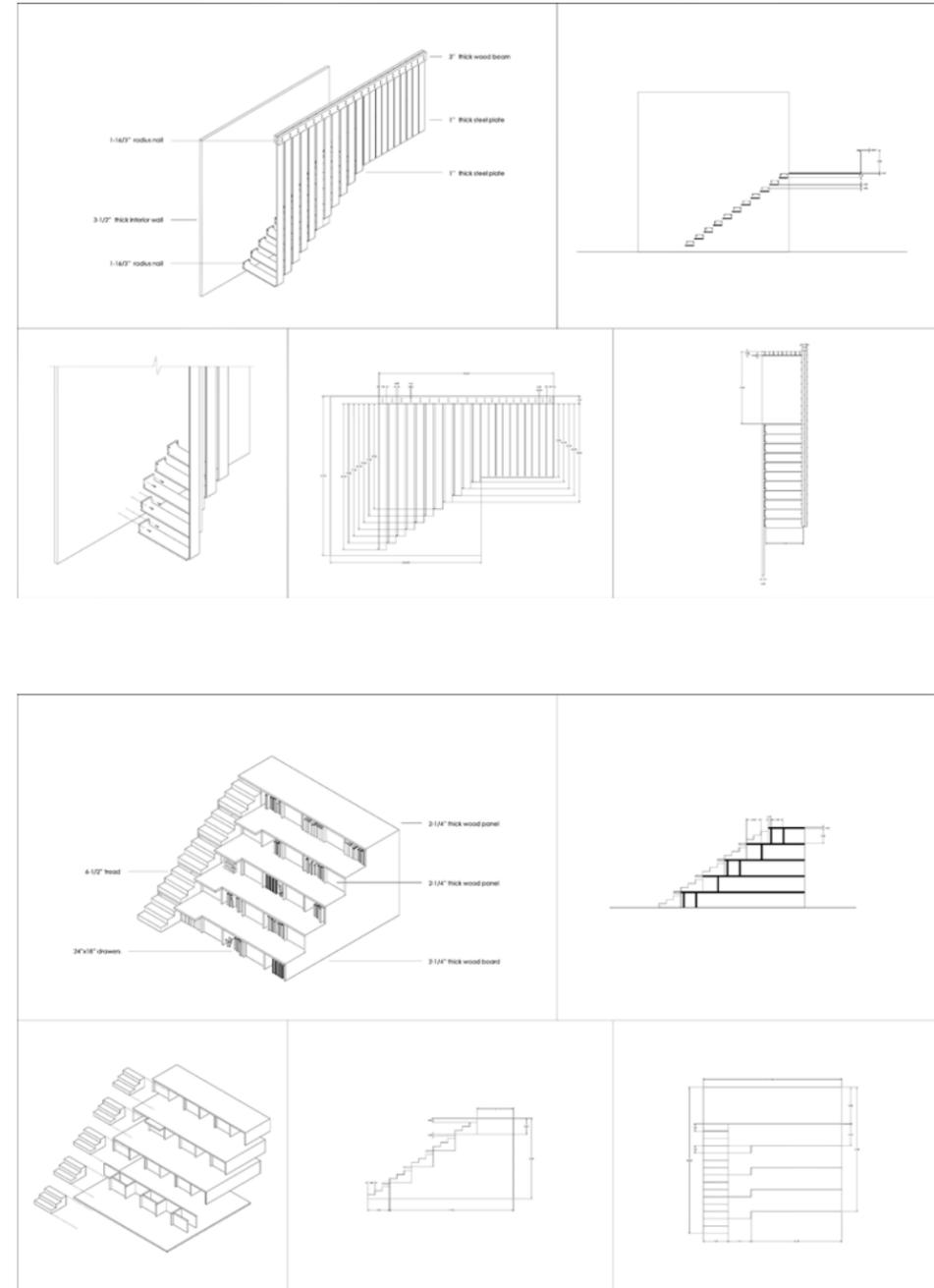
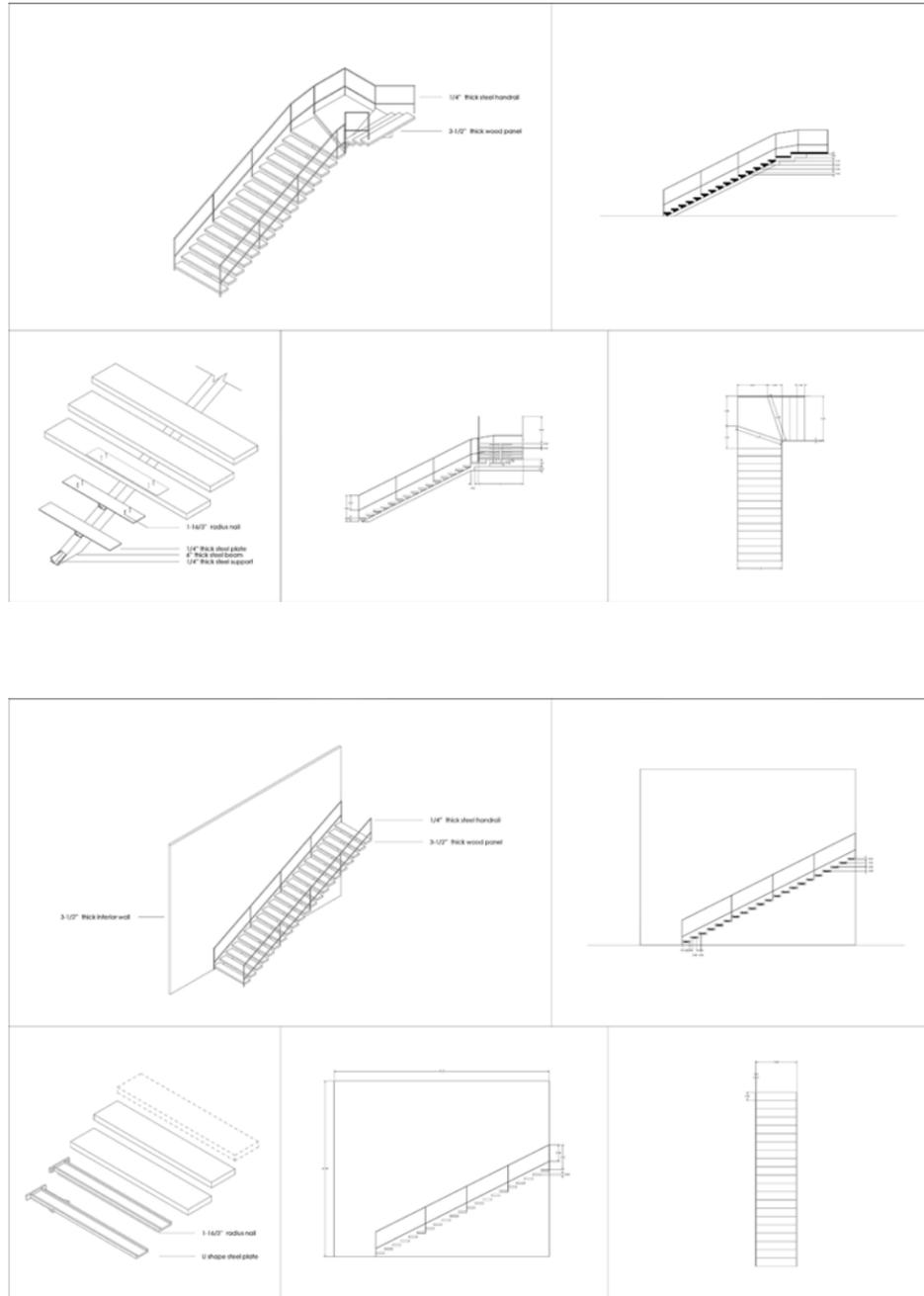
# CIRCULATION / PROGRAM DIAGRAM

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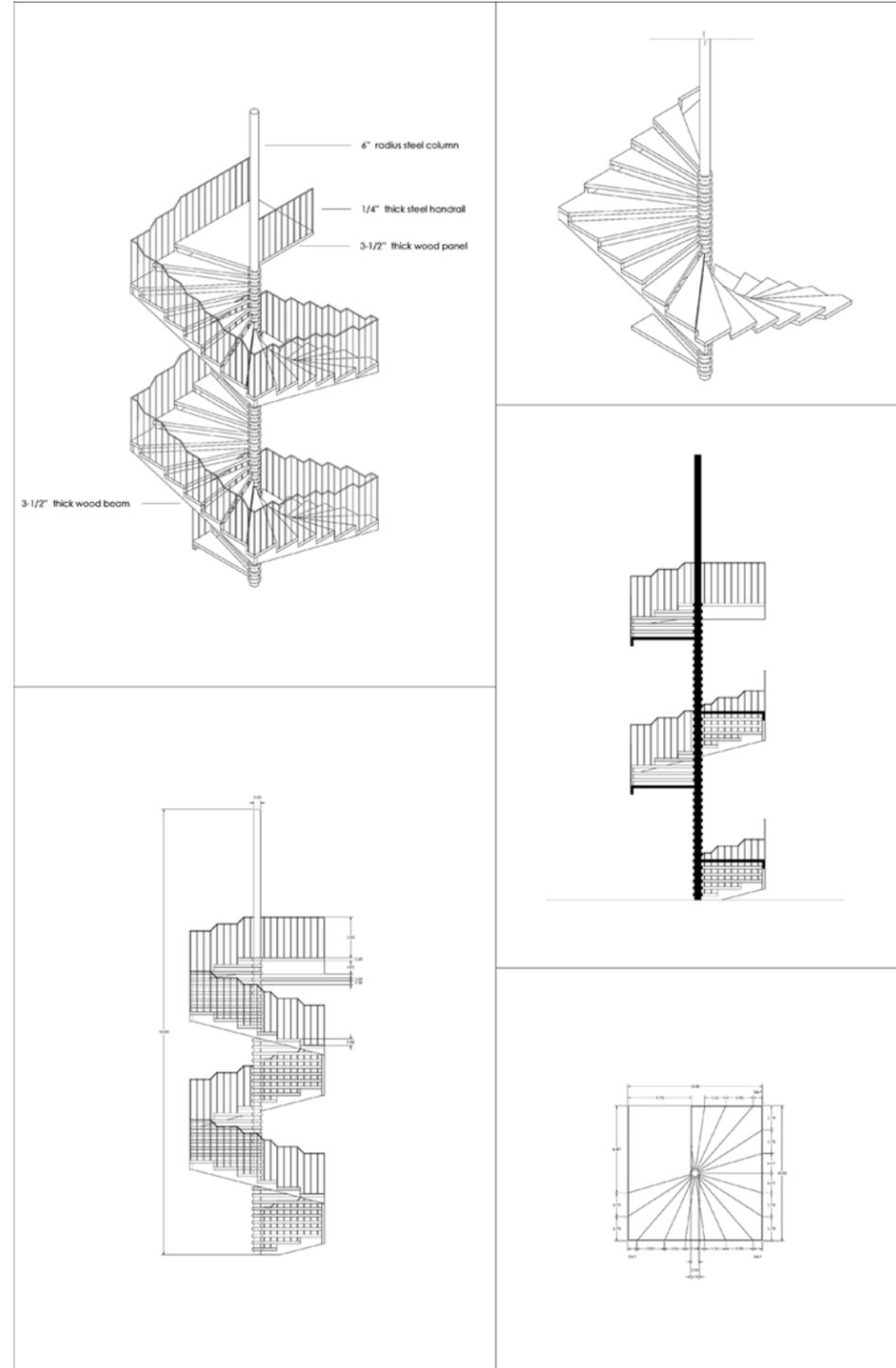
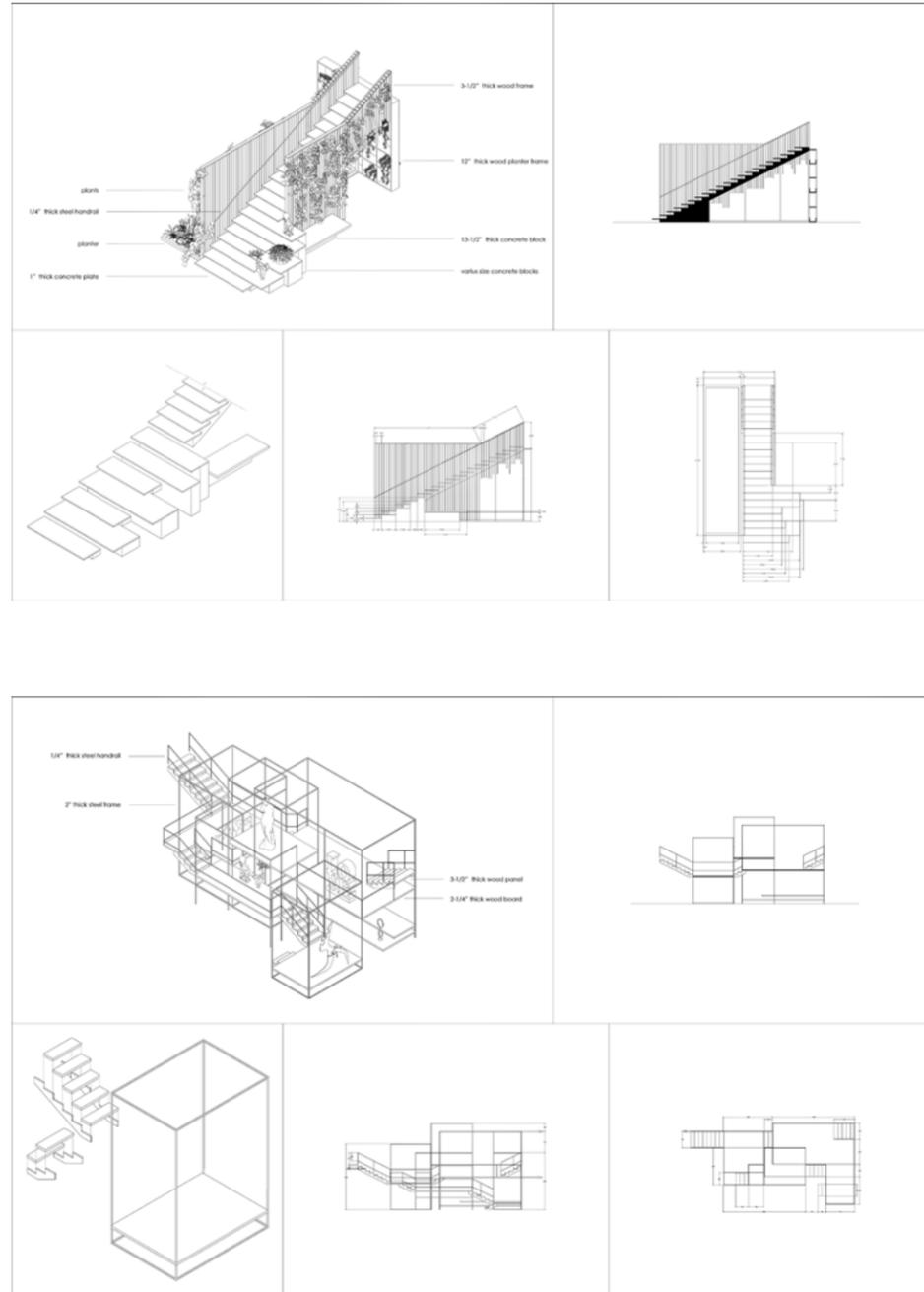
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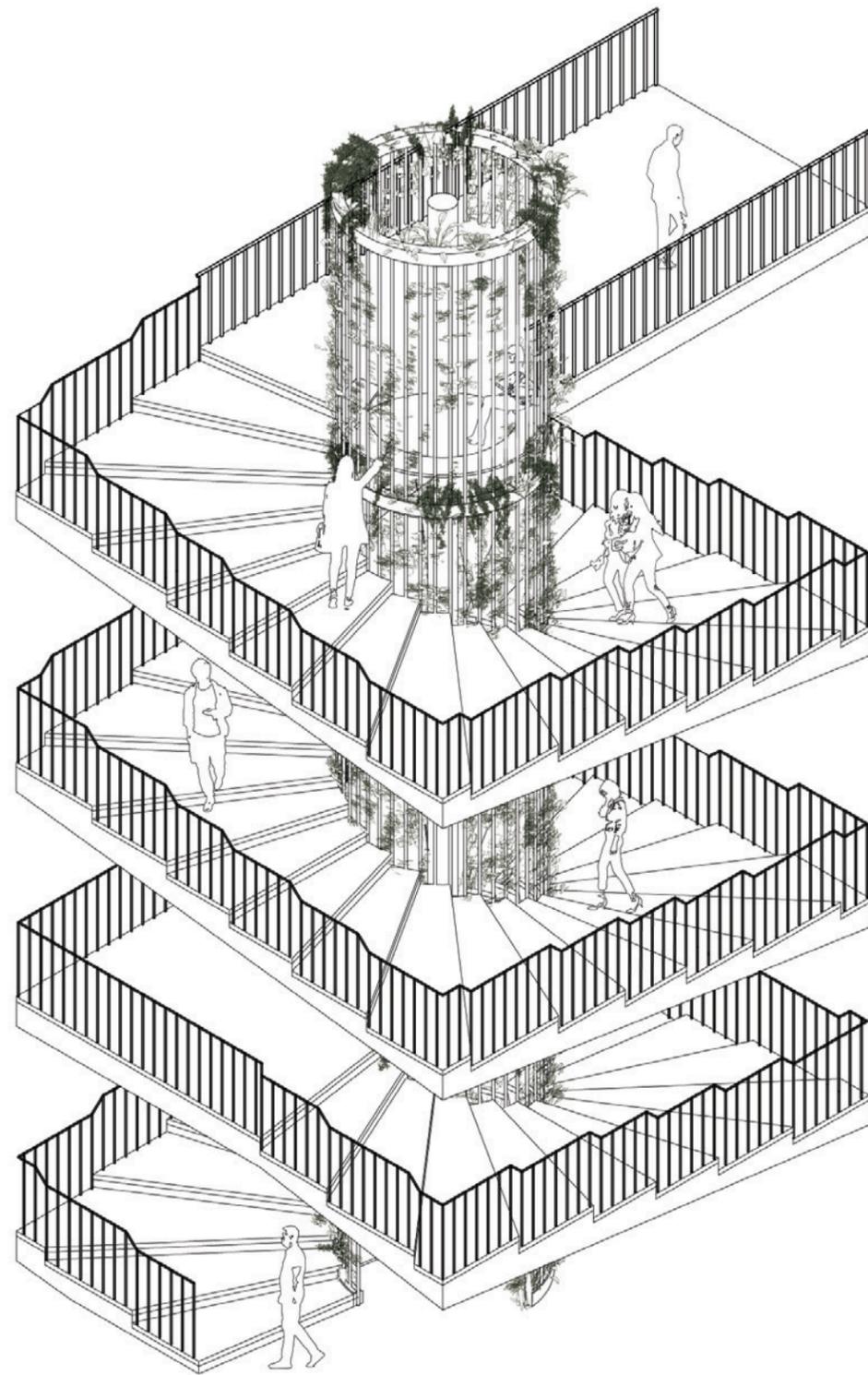
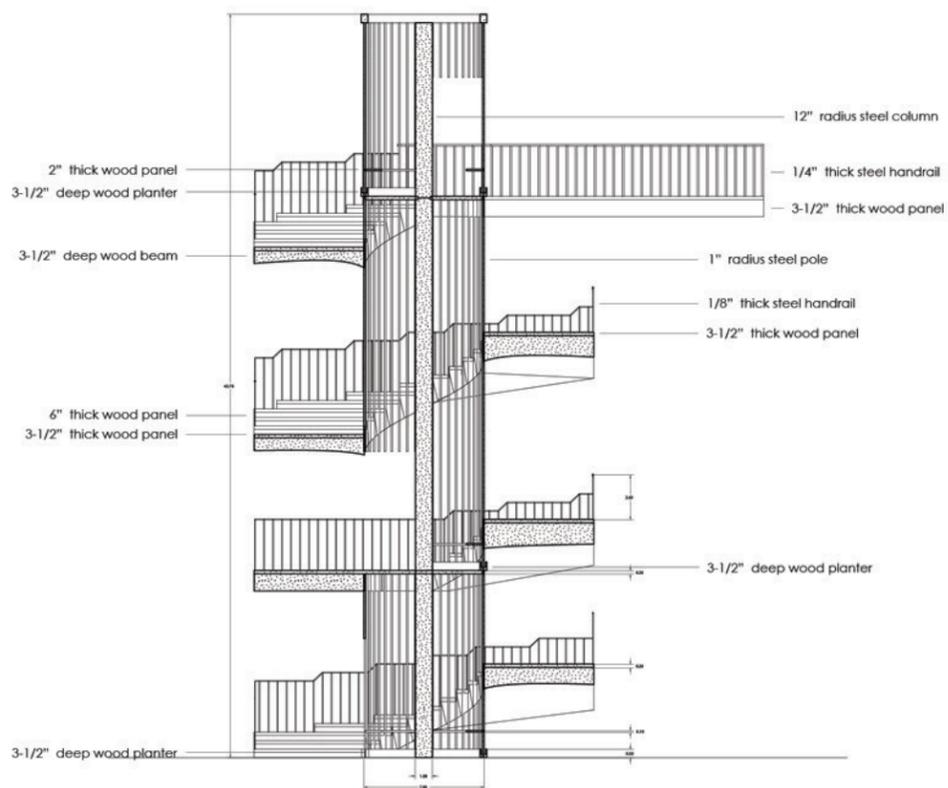
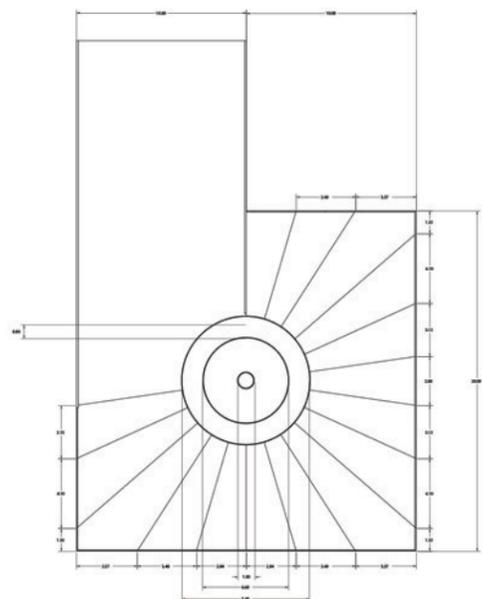


# STAIR DRAWINGS



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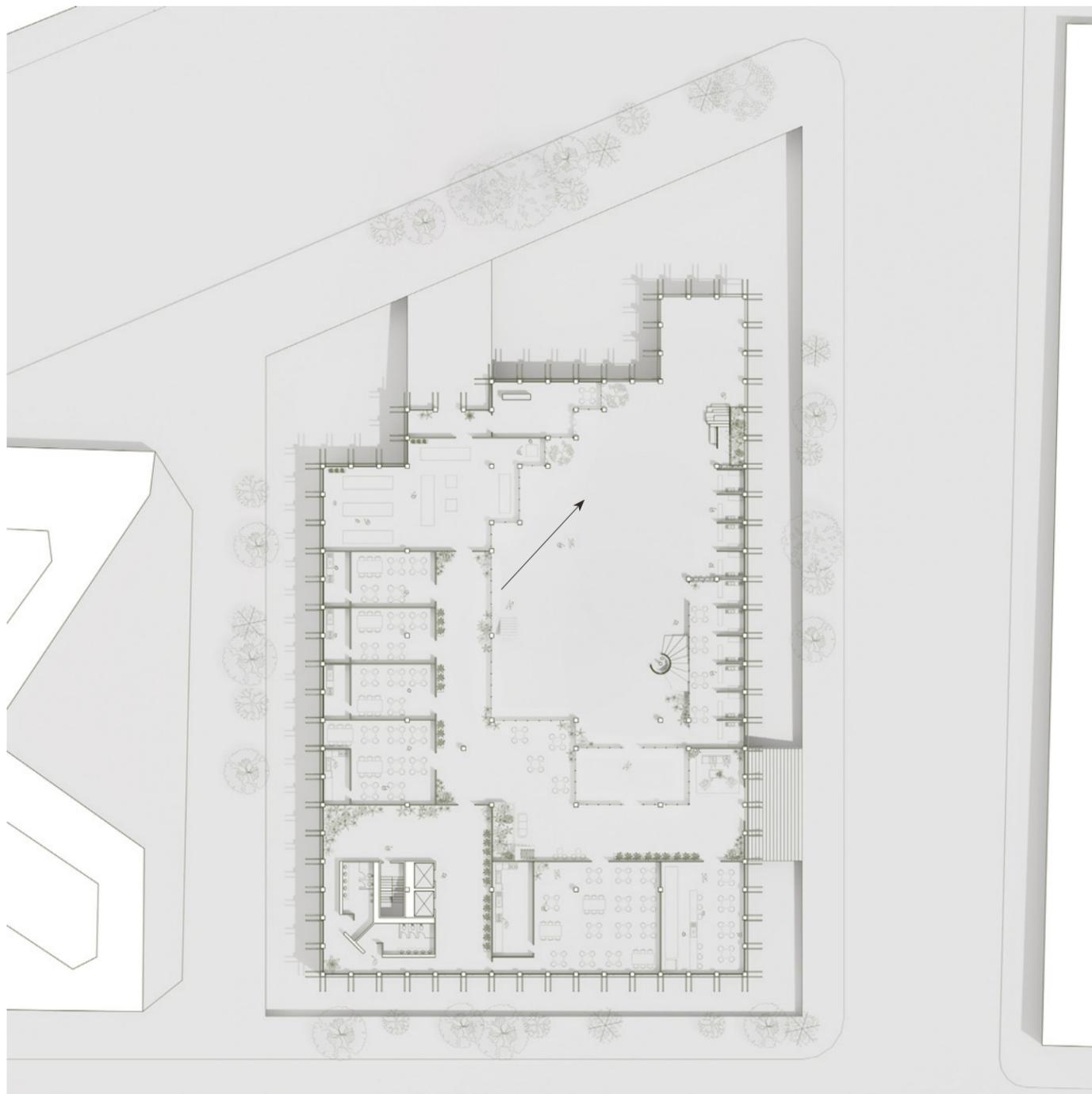
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# FLOOR PLAN

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**Ground Floor (loft)**  
**RESTAURANT + MULTIFUNCTIONAL PLAZA**

# CITY VIEW



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# FLOOR PLAN

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**Third Floor  
COOKING SCHOOL**

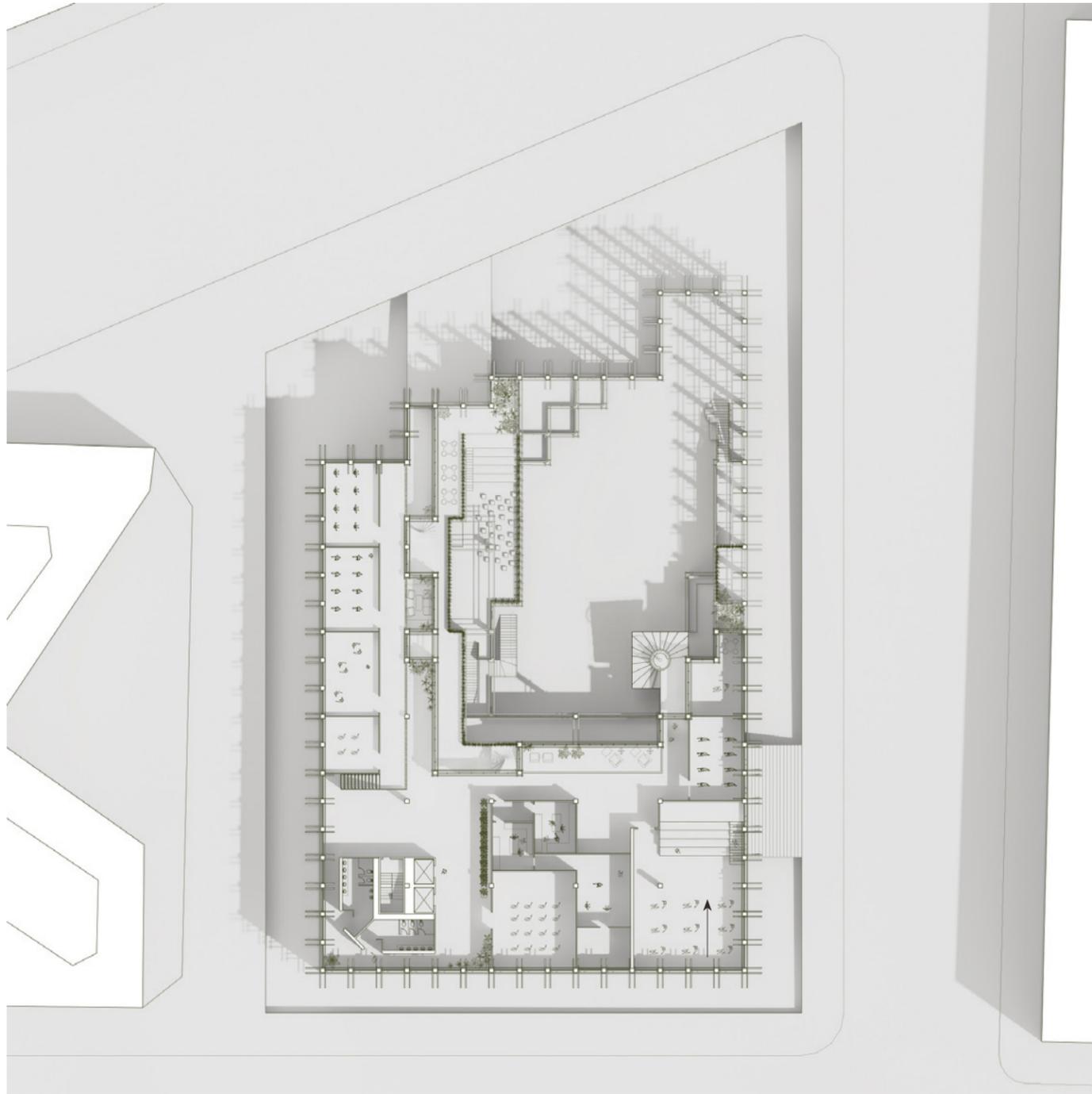
# INTERIOR VIEW



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**Fifth Floor (loft)**  
DANCING SCHOOL

# INTERIOR VIEW



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**Seventh Floor  
MUSICAL STUDIO**

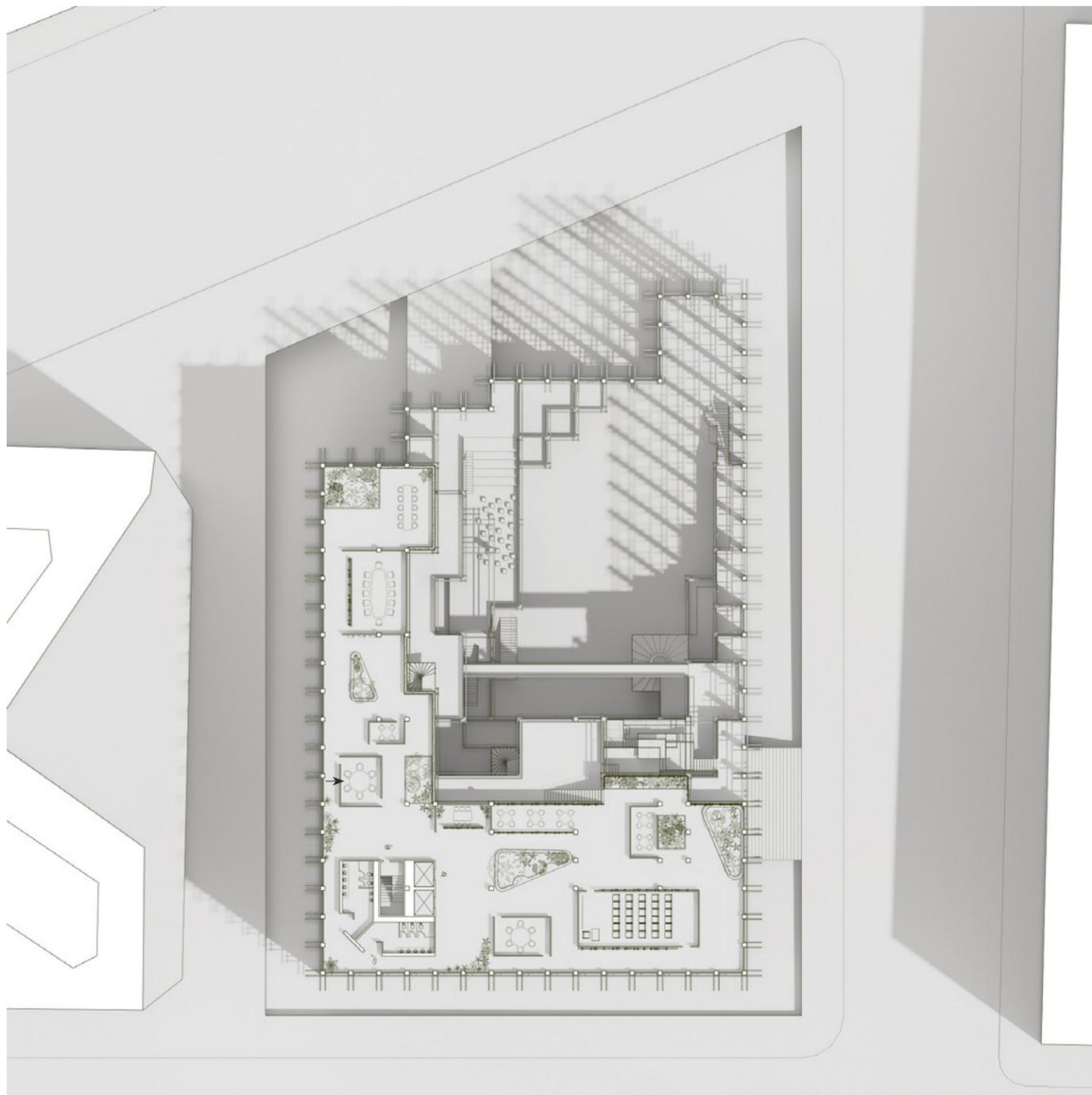
# INTERIOR VIEW



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**Ninth Floor**  
**ROOF GARDEN + MEETING SPACE**

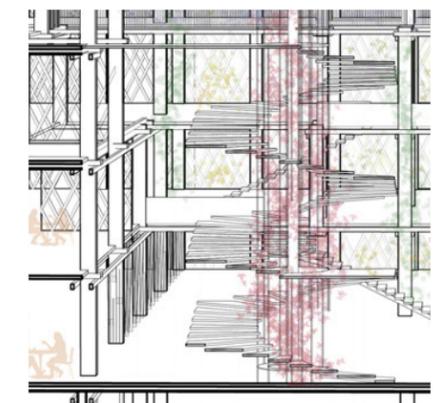
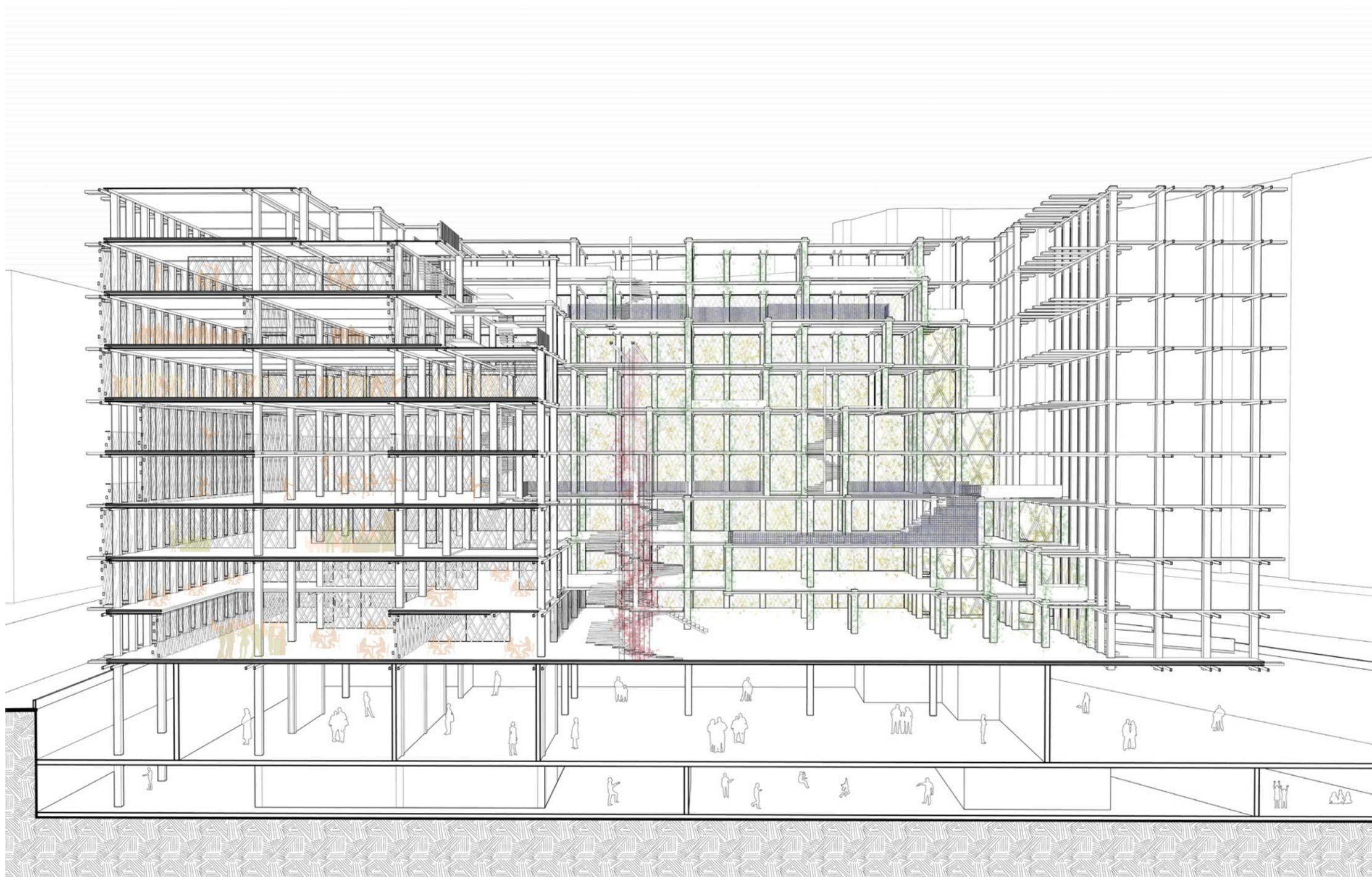
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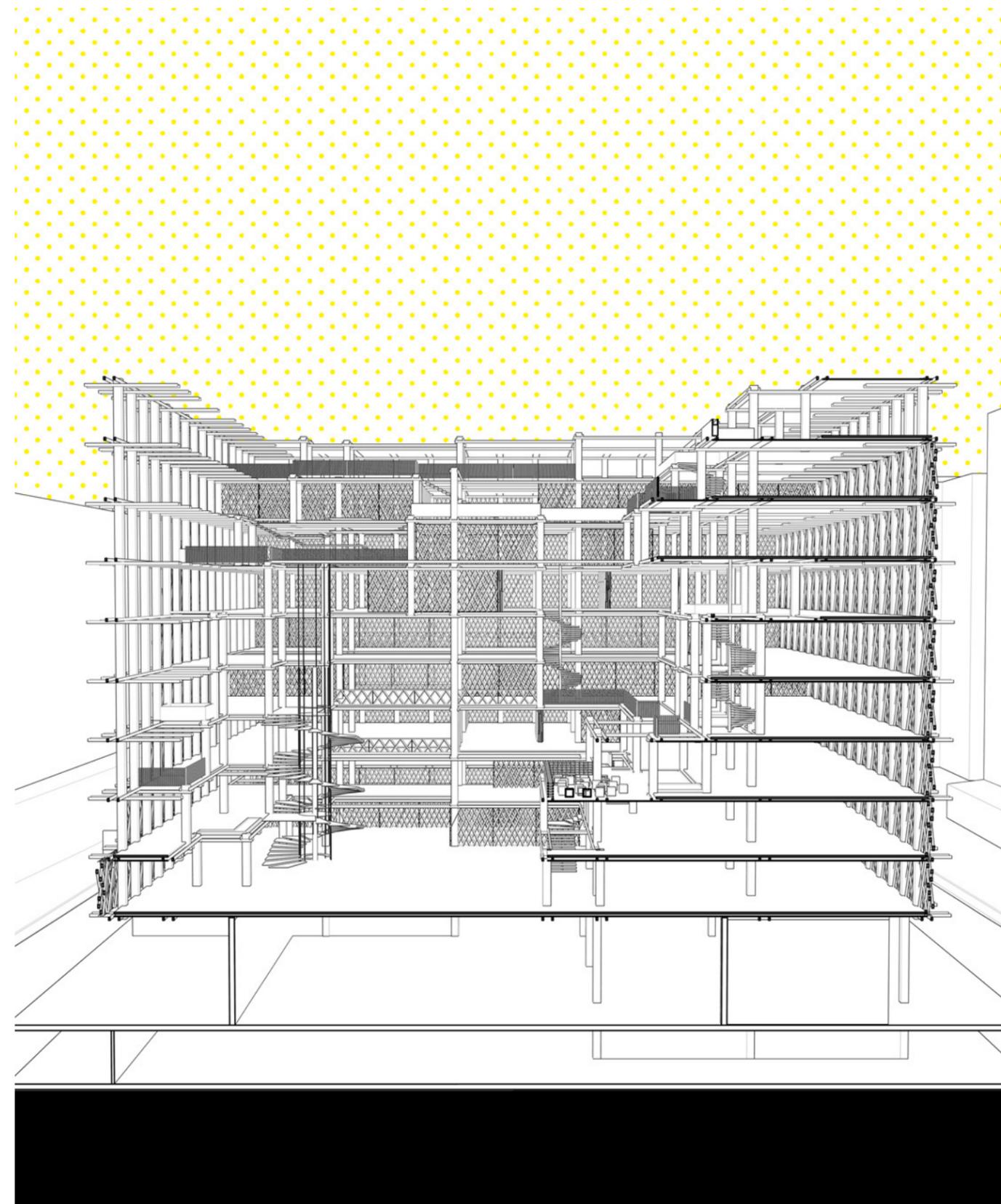
# LONG SECTION

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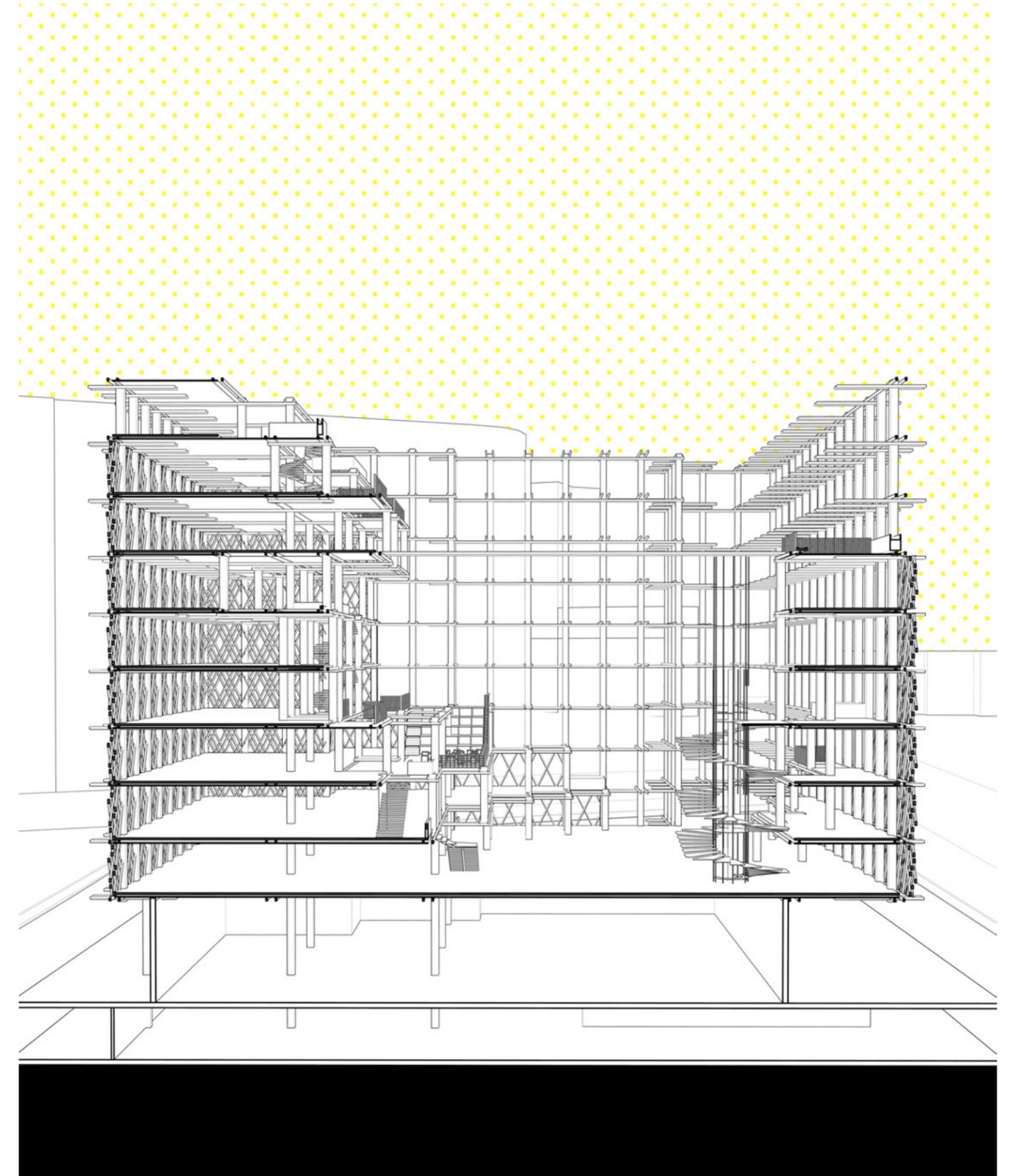
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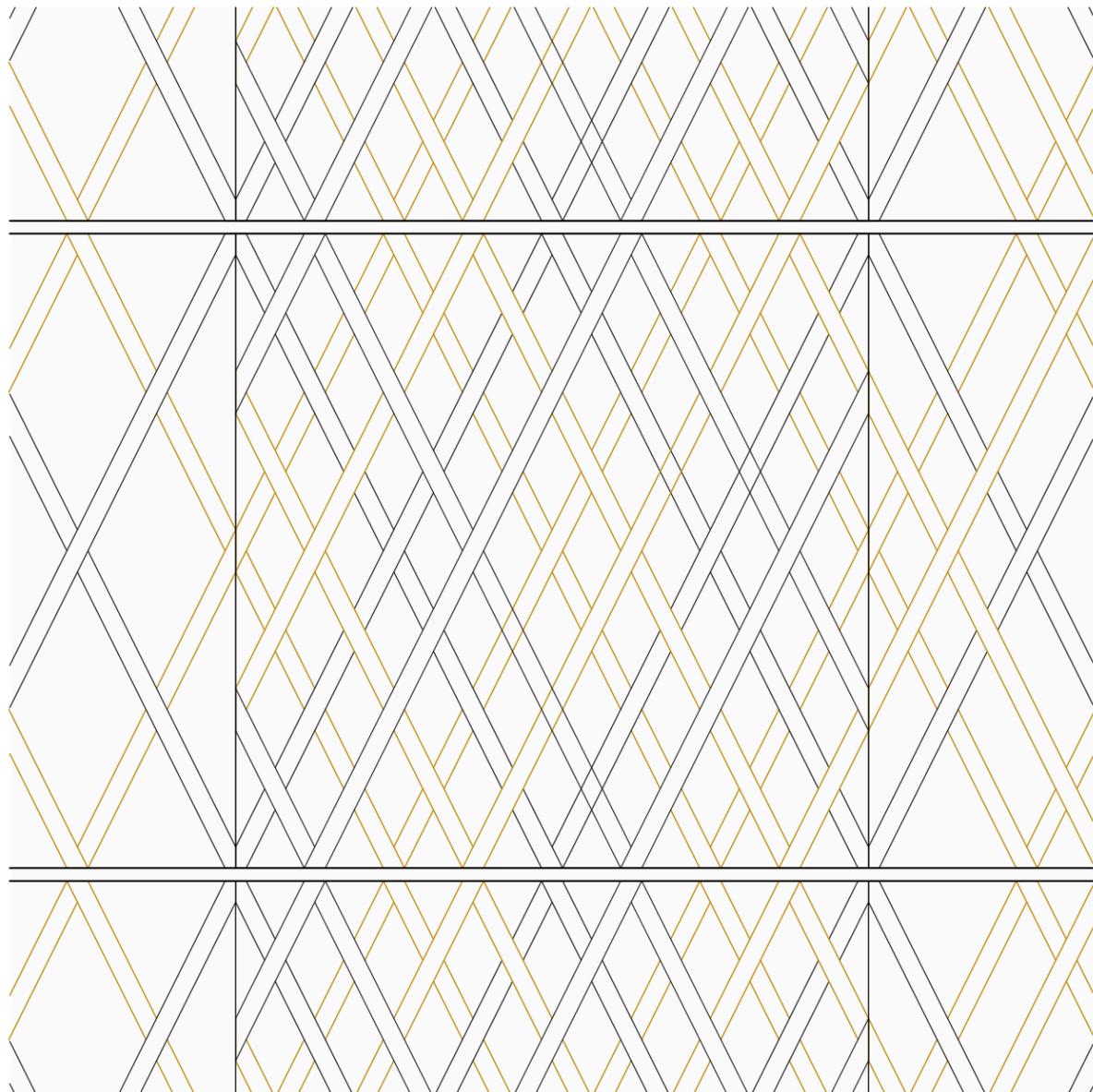
The space looking towards to the interior side of building. And vertical circulation guided people going through building. Especially, provided the great experience in the garden. And the stairs connecting the interior and exterior space.



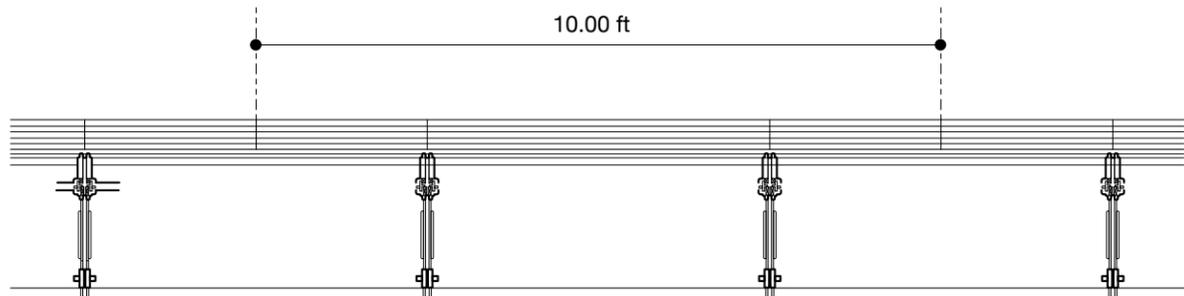
## CROSS SECTION

The view towards to the New York Ave which is one open conern allow people seeing the city view throuth garden .

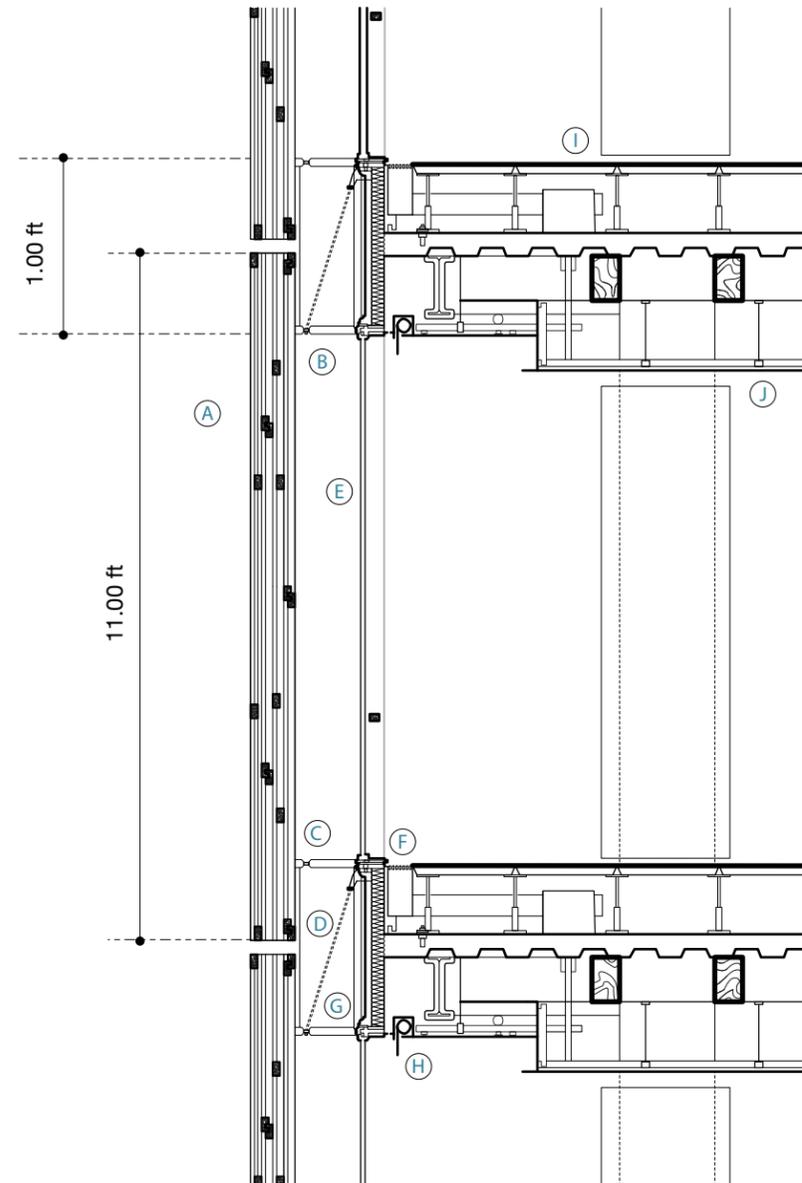




Partial Elevation



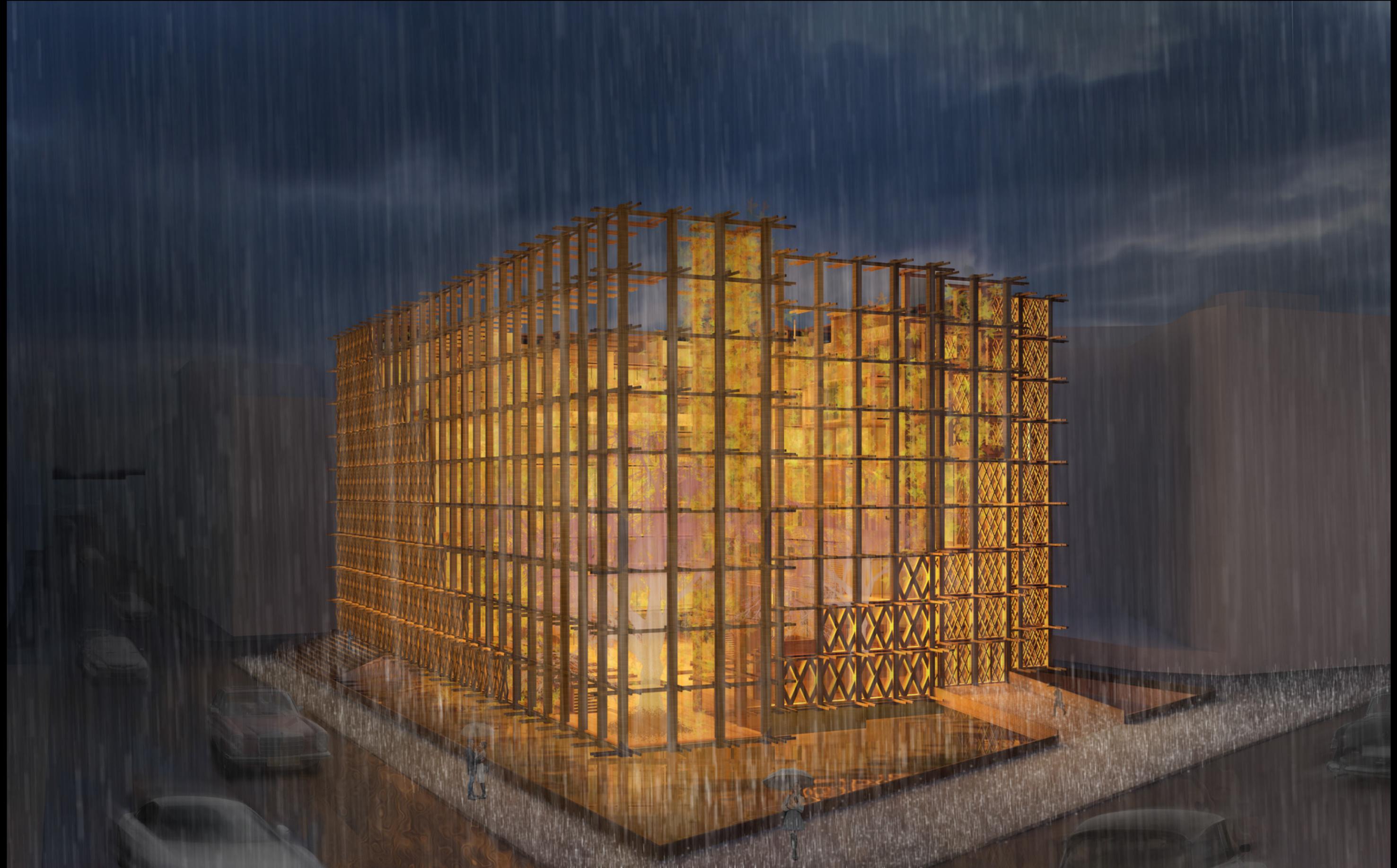
Partial Plan



Wall Section

- Ⓐ Timever tubes facade with internal aluminum
  - Ⓑ Painted timber vertical strut
  - Ⓒ Painted timber horizontal strut
  - Ⓓ Wood suspension rod
  - Ⓔ Low-iron insulating glass with low-E coating
- Ⓕ Painted extruded-wood unit frame
  - Ⓖ Painted timber spandrel panel
  - Ⓗ Automated internal shade
  - Ⓘ Raised floor over timber slab on deck
  - ⓵ Suspended ceiling

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# HALF FOOTPRINT

**Project:** Optimization & Simulation Research

**Location:** Building Energy Consumption

**Professor:** Danil Nagy

**Year:** SPRING 2020

**Designer:** Luyi Huang, Xinglu Zhu, Shaolin Feng

## INPUTS

Gross Floor Area (m<sup>2</sup>)

Window Opening (m<sup>2</sup>)

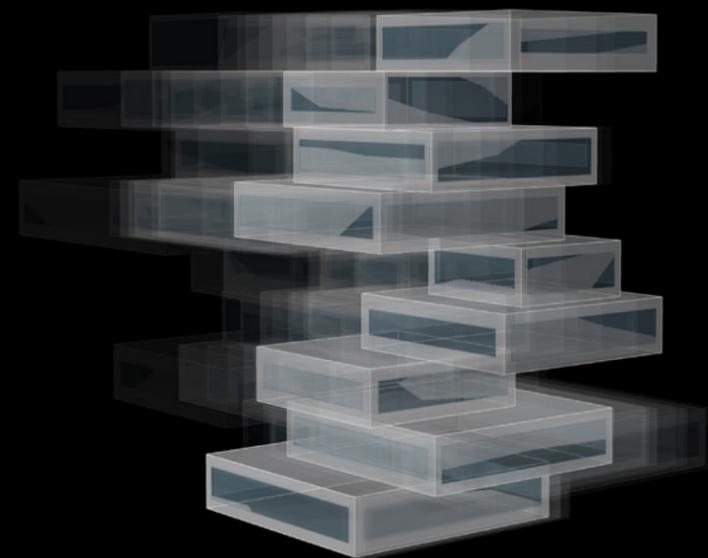
LA Weather File

Energy Consumption(w<sub>0</sub>)

Energy Consumption(w<sub>1</sub>)

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Energy Consumption(w<sub>200</sub>)



## OUTPUTS

Energy Consumption(w)

Performance

Window- Wall Ratio

Sunlit Fraction

■ Objective  
■ Constraint

OPTIMIZATION WITH SIMULATION

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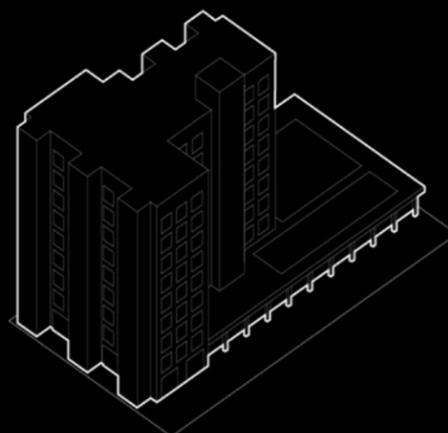
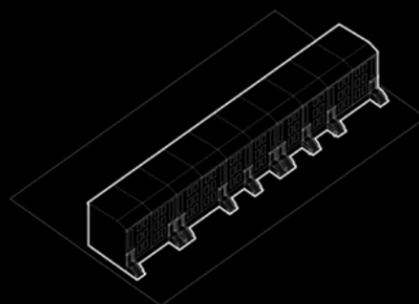
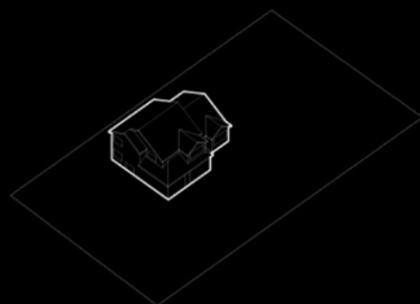
# Annual Carbon Emissions per Household

# Combined Urban Community

Suburban

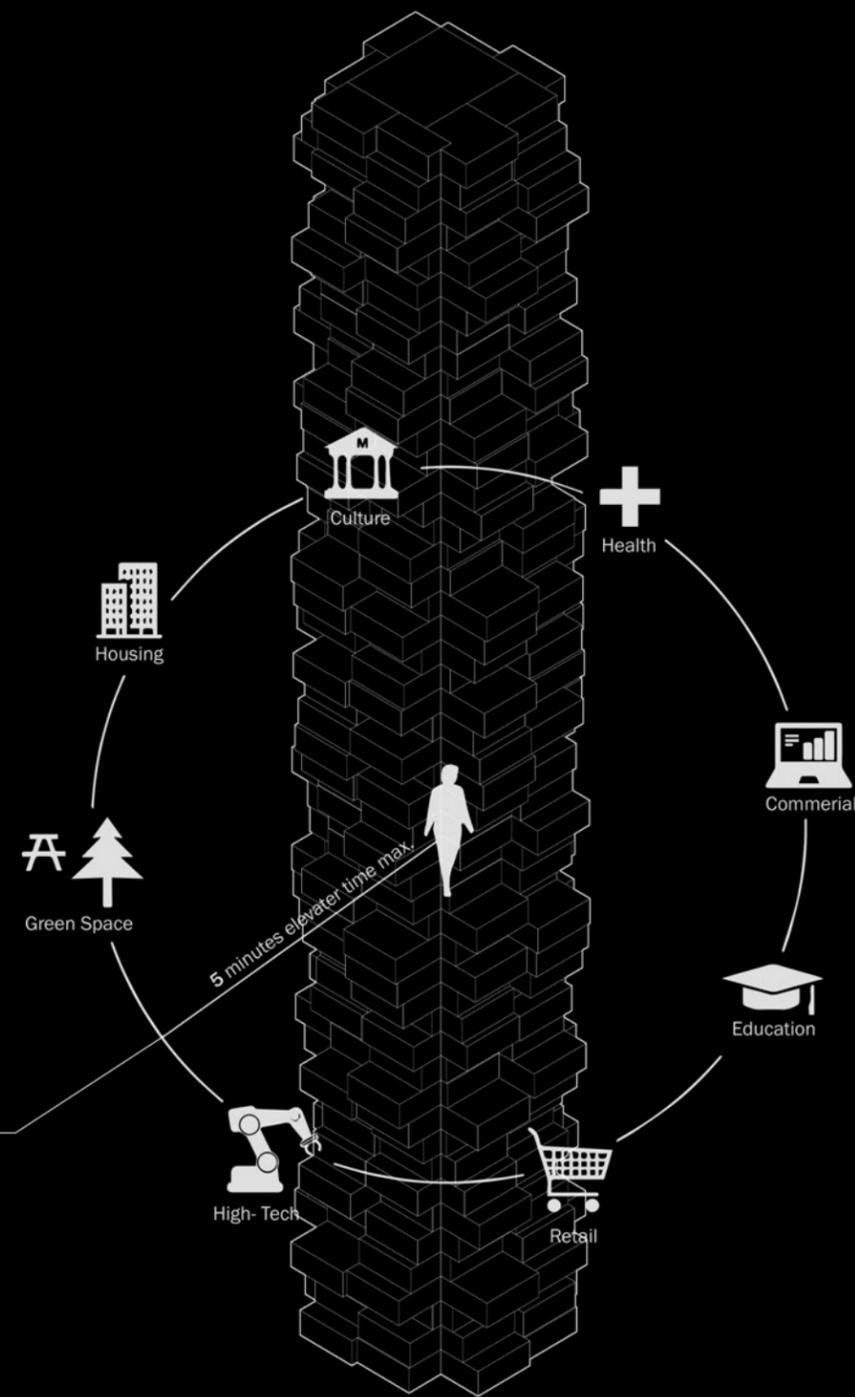
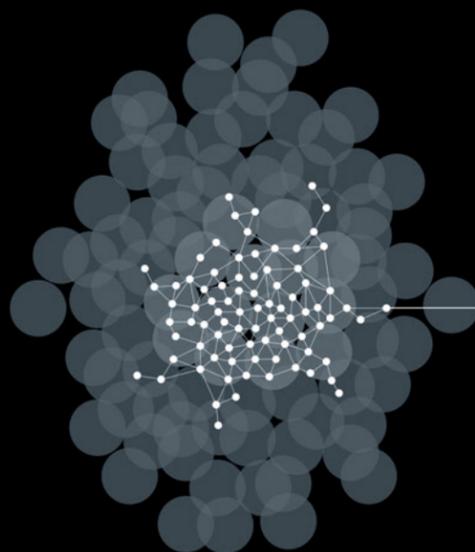
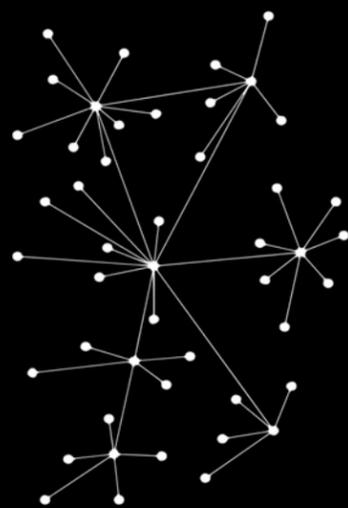
Urban

Carless Urban



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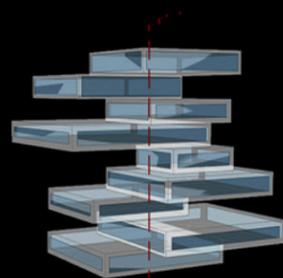
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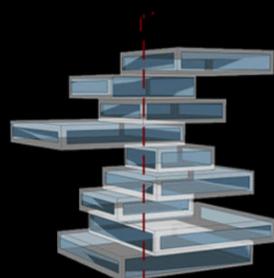
High Carbon Emission Urban Form

Low Carbon Emission Urban Form

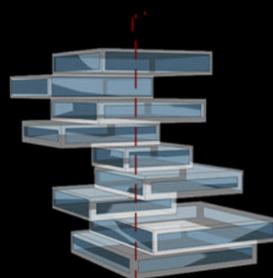
# Generative Design for Architecture



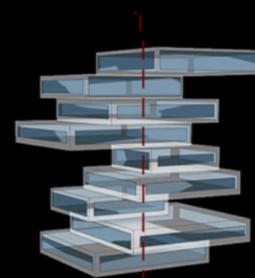
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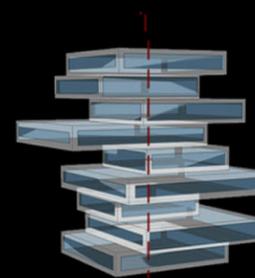
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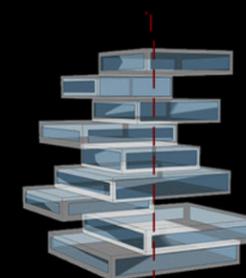
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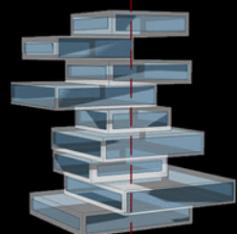
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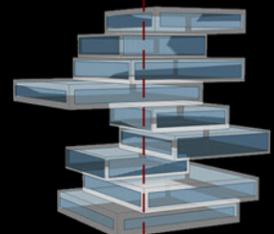
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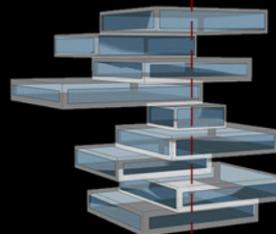
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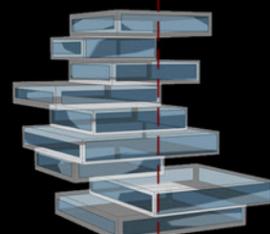
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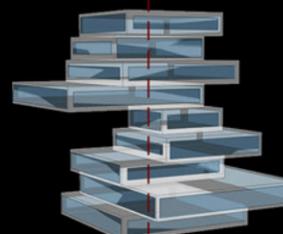
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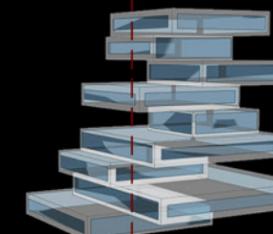
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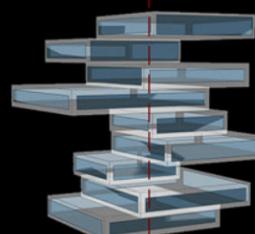
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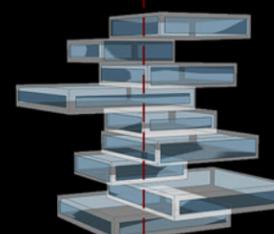
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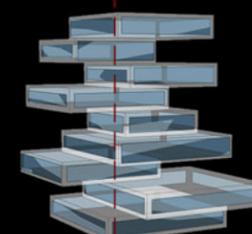
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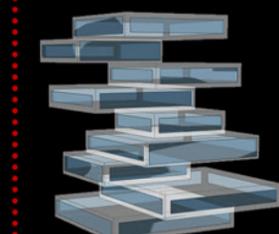
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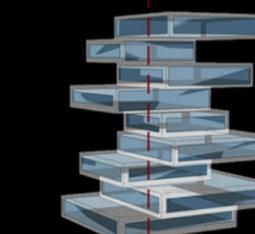
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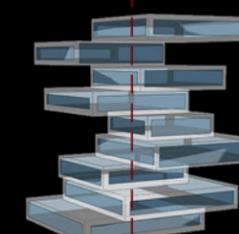
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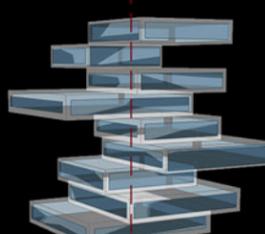
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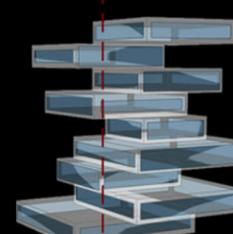
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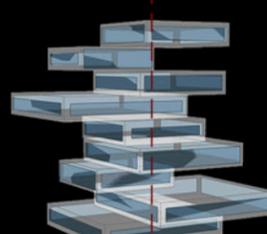
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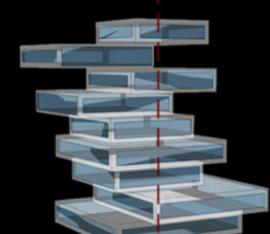
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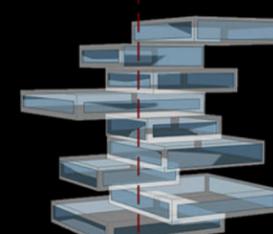
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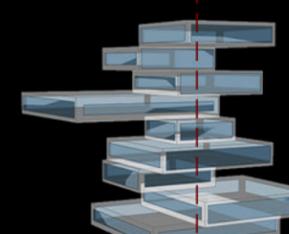
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