# A generative spatial adaptation model for constrained-based housing transformations.

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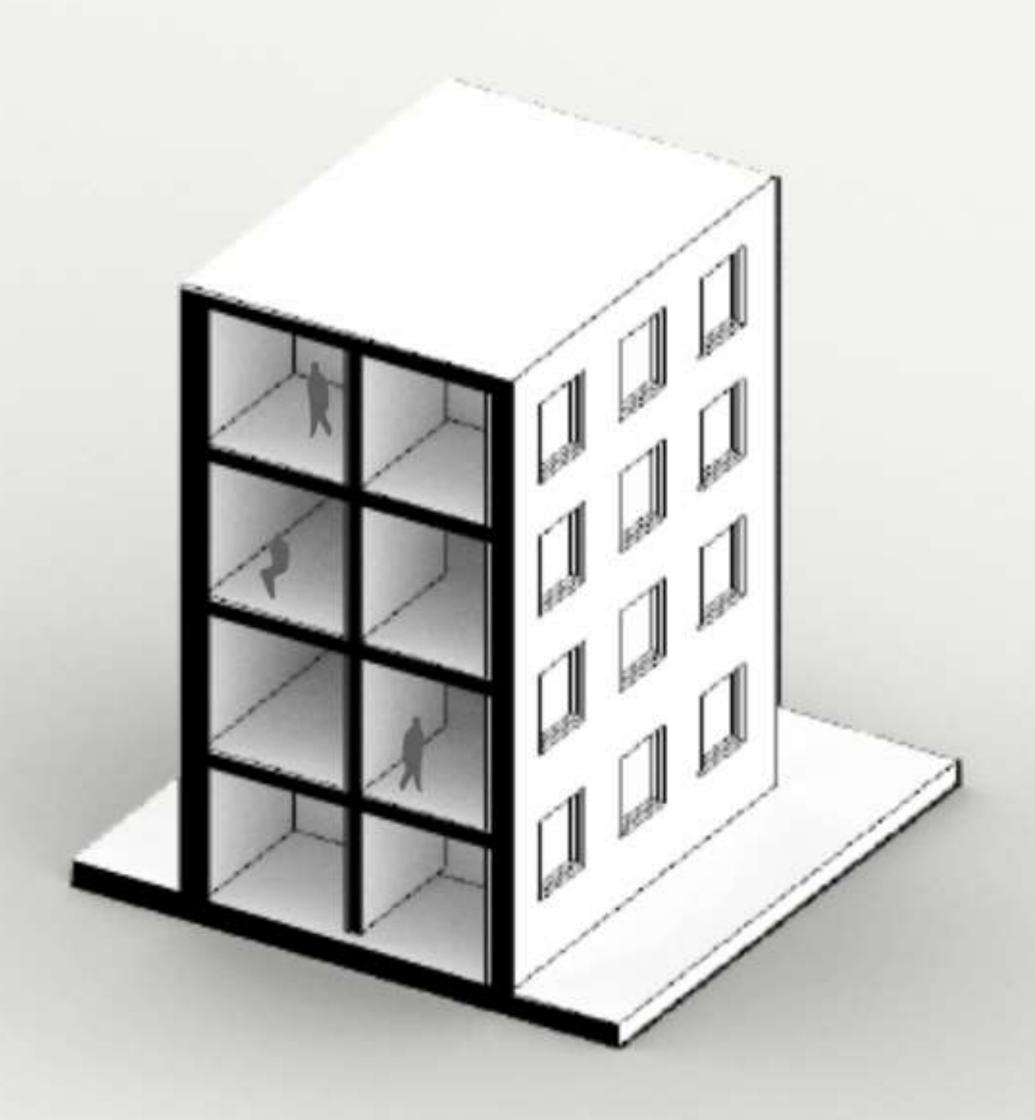
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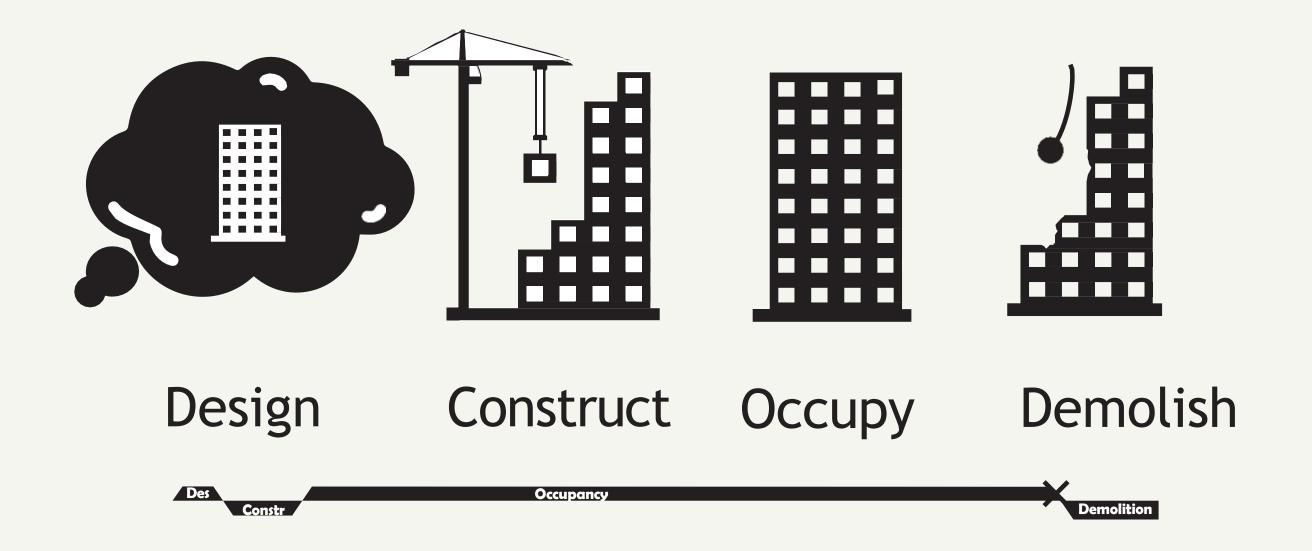
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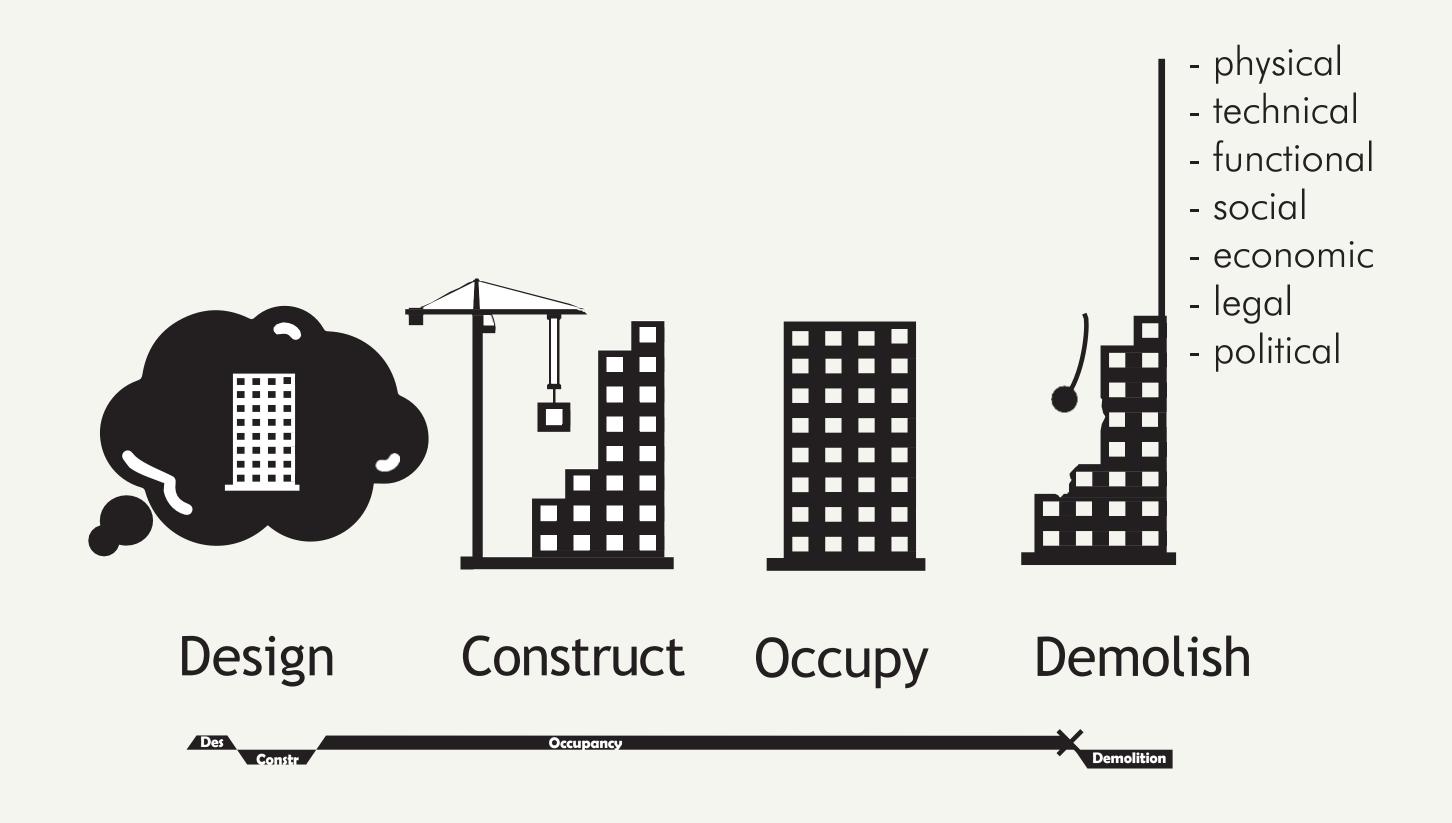
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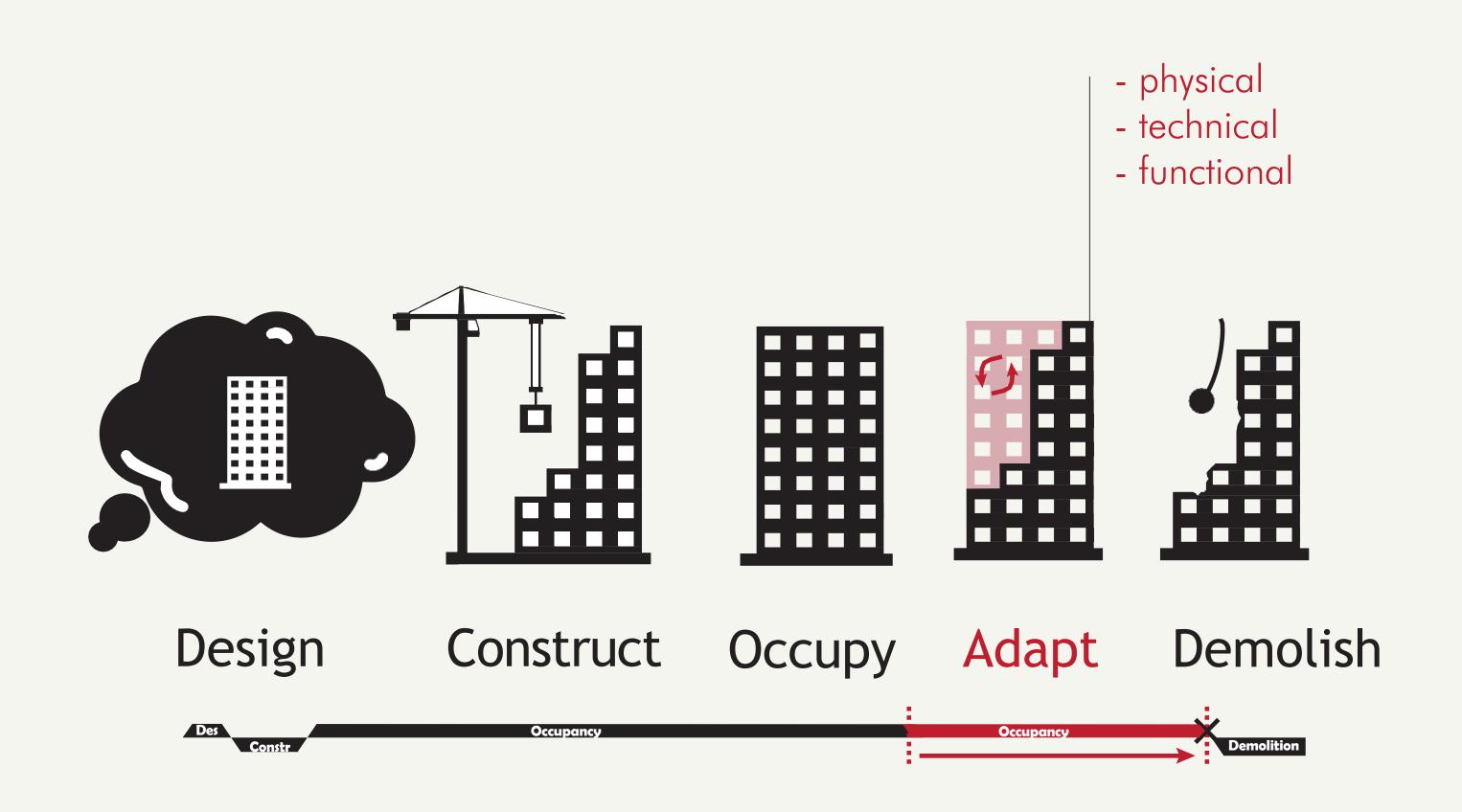




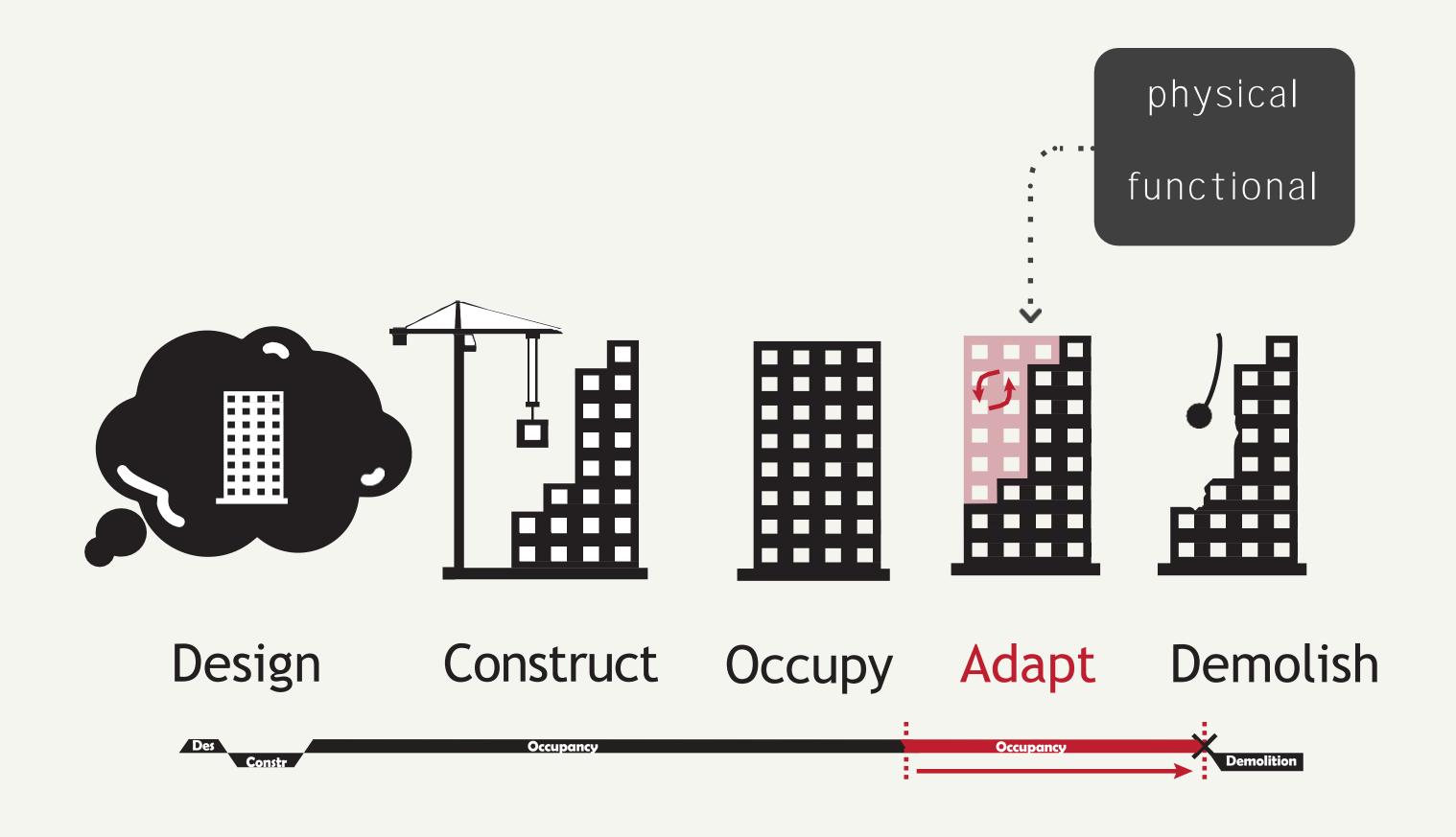








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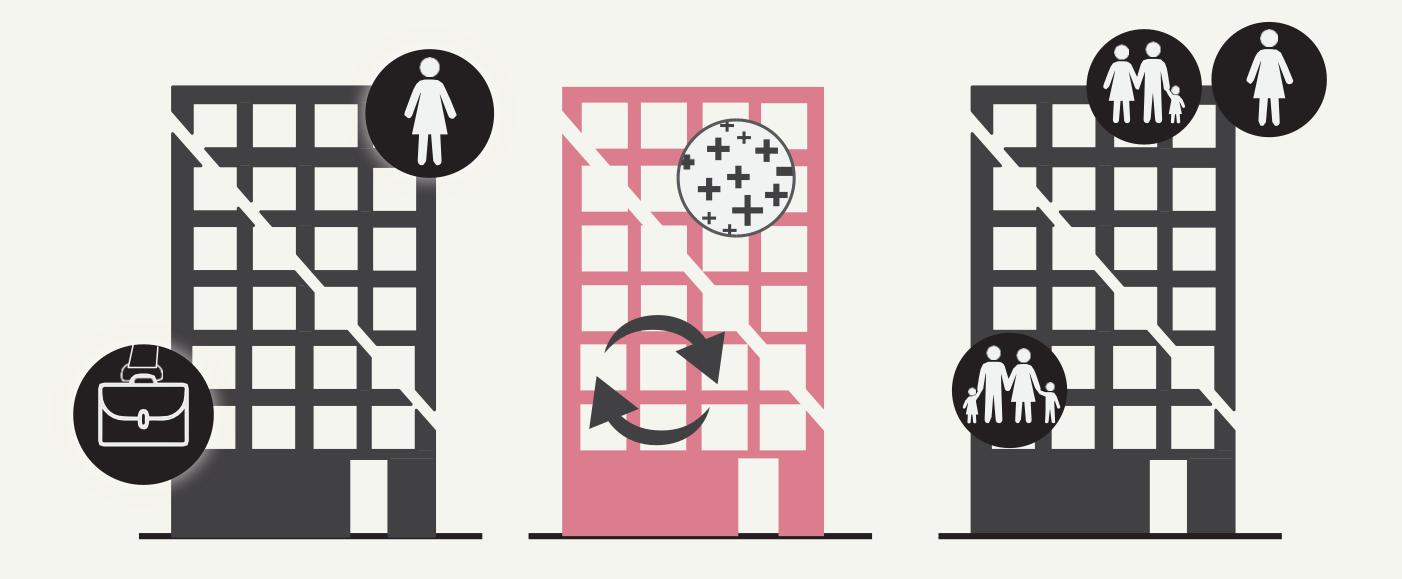








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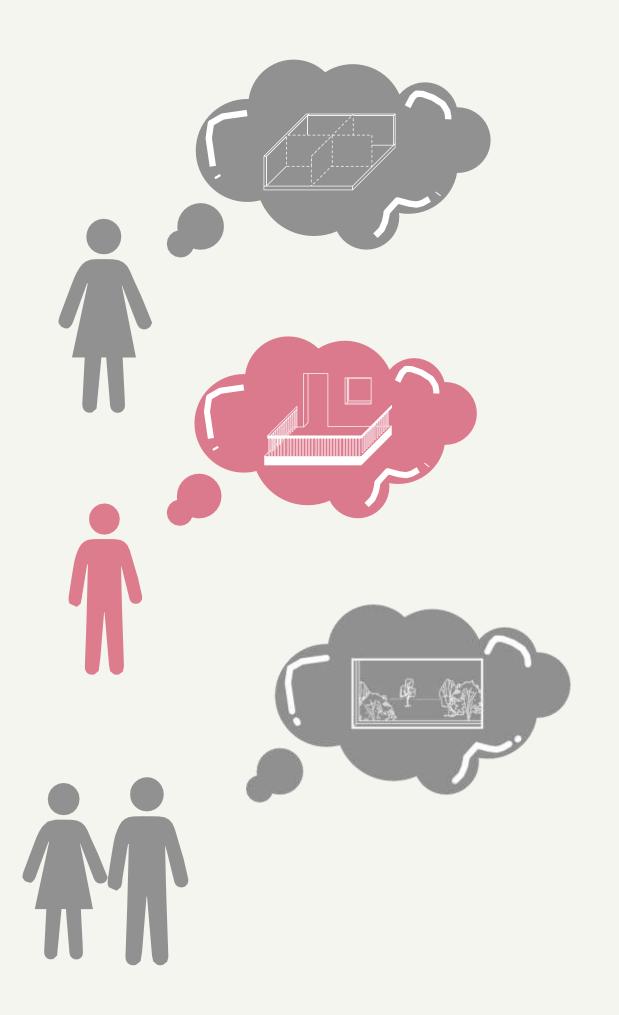
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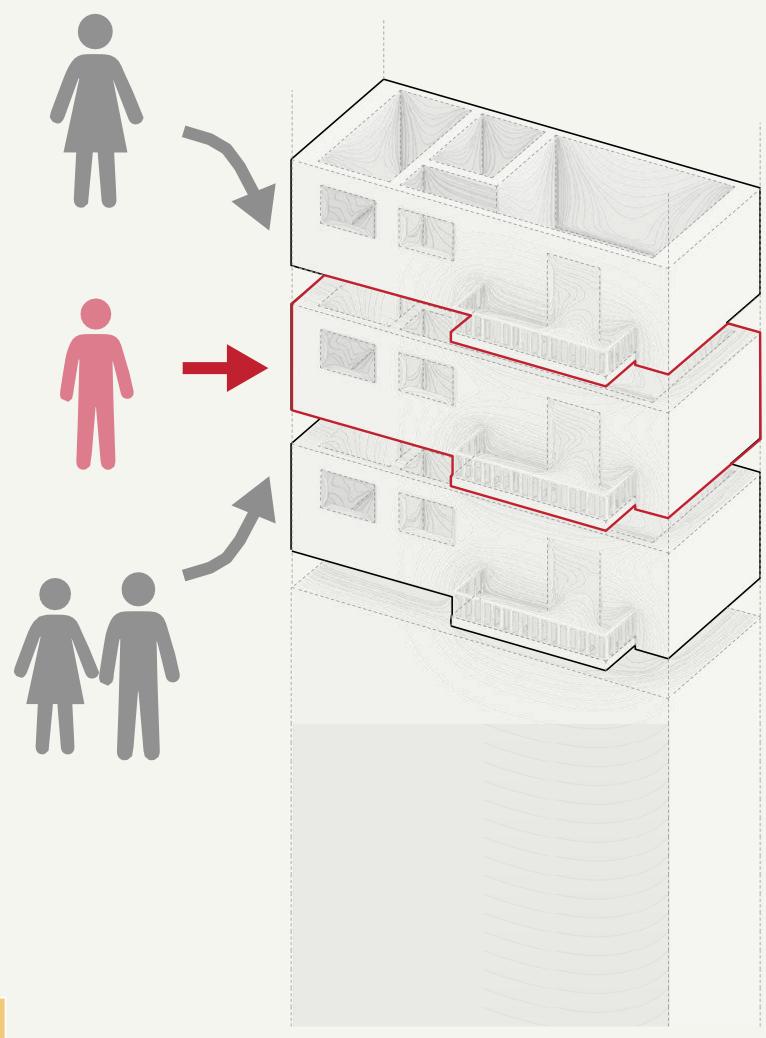








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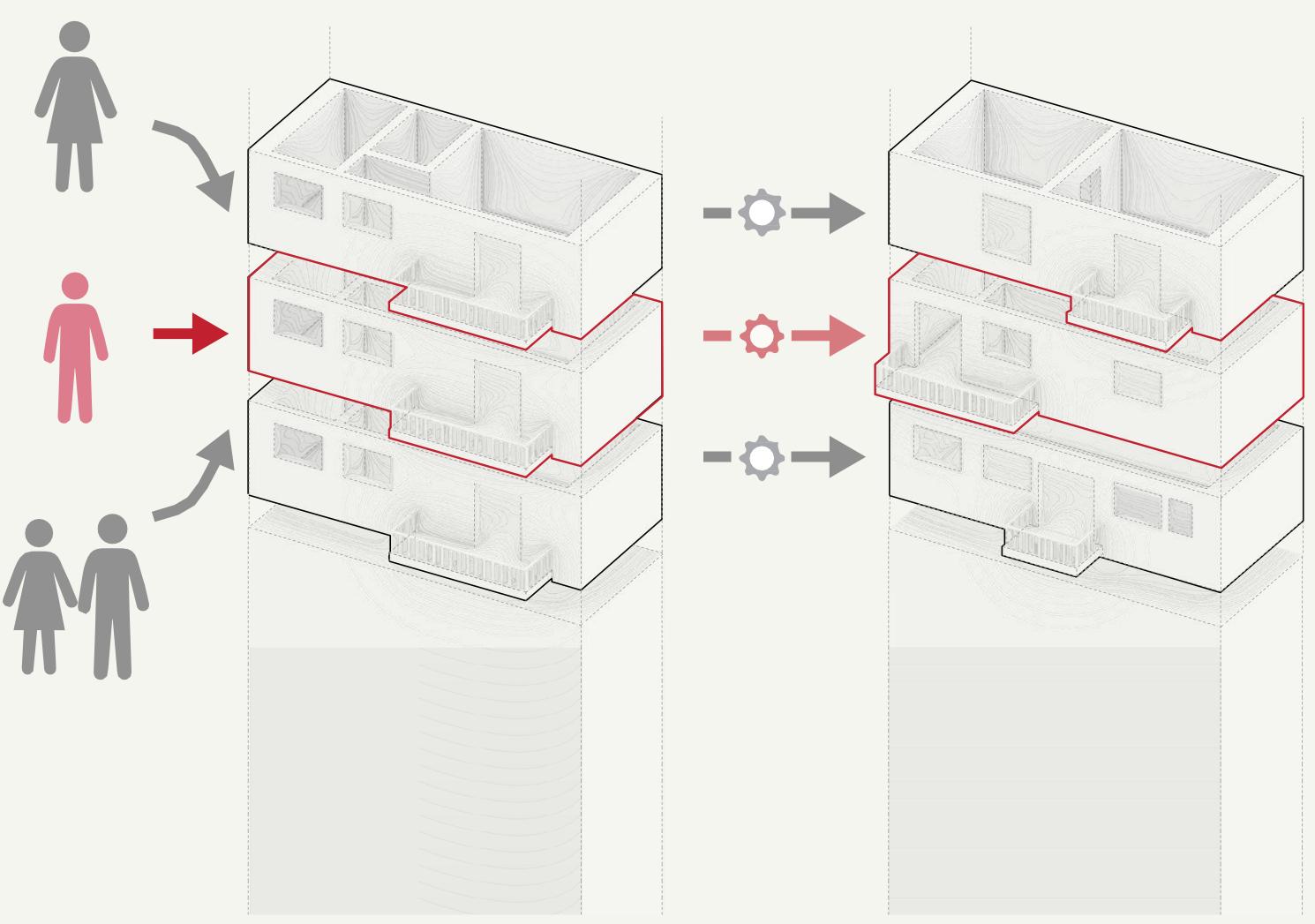








# Physical



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Main research question:

"How can the extent of spatial alternatives of an apartment configuration be explicated within a building design?"

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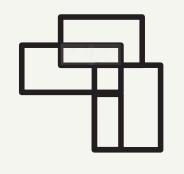




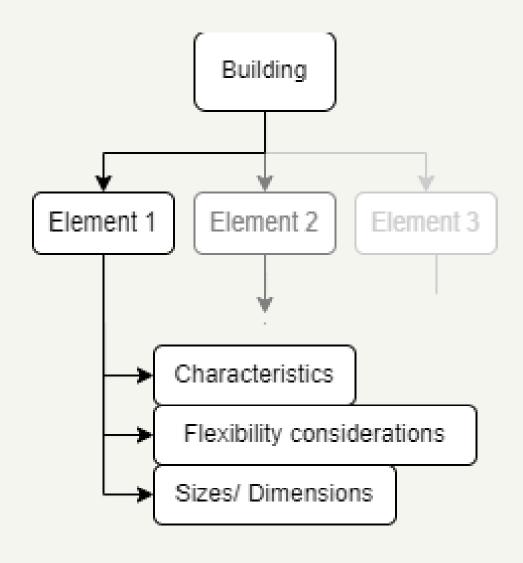
what is the effect of different building elements and systems on the spatial flexibility of a layout?



Research question 2



Research question 3





Research question 4

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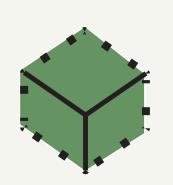


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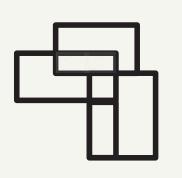


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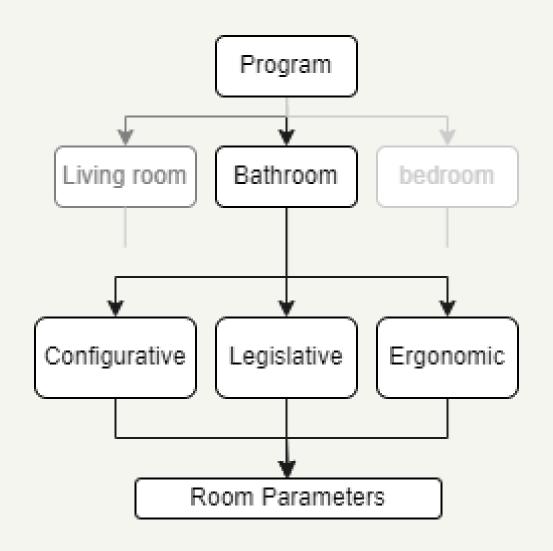


#### Research question 2

"what are the requirements and dimensions of the different spaces of an apartment and how do they relate to each other?"



# Research question 3





Research question 4

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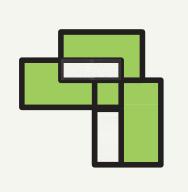




#### Research question 1



# Research question 2

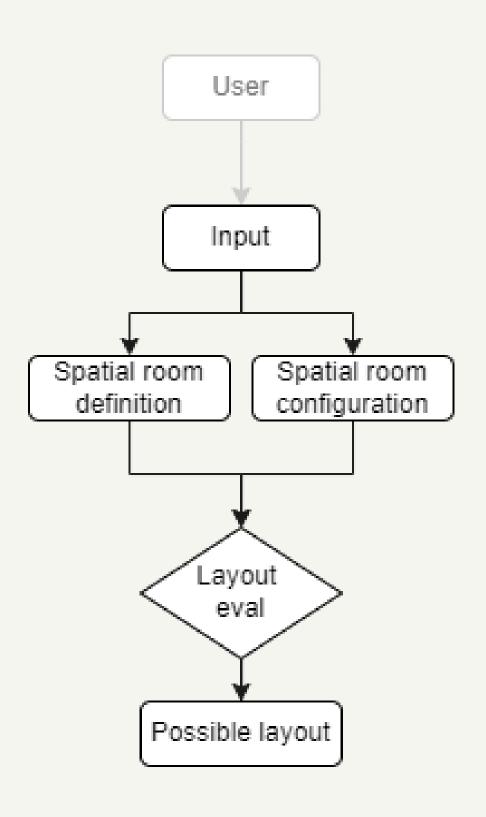


# Research question 3

"how can all layout configurations be generated given a set of building constraints?"



# Research question 4













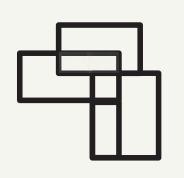




#### Research question 1



#### Research question 2

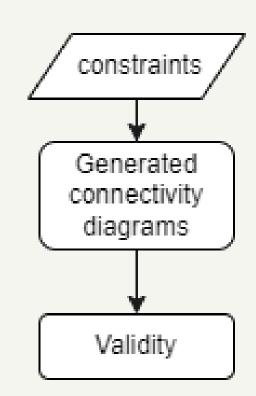


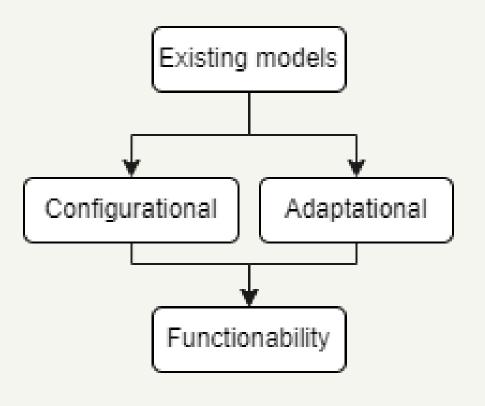
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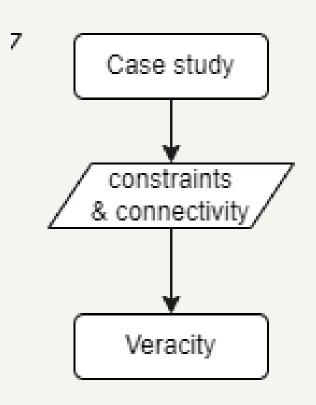


# Research question 4

"what can be established about the usability of the new generative configuration tool for floorplan transformation?"













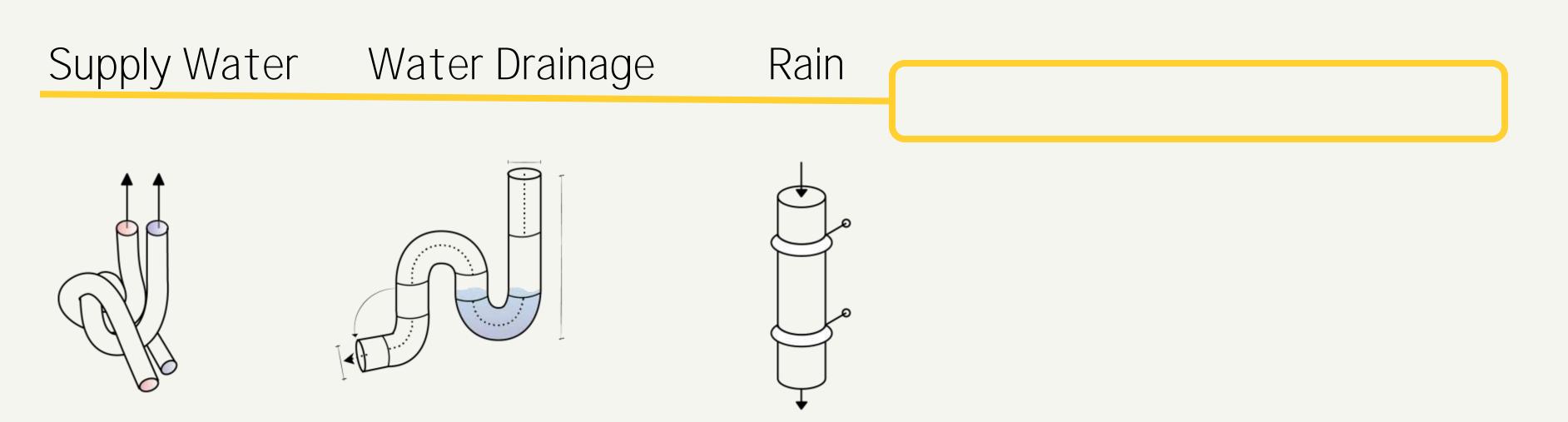








# Building Parameters



Site Structure Skin Systems Space plan

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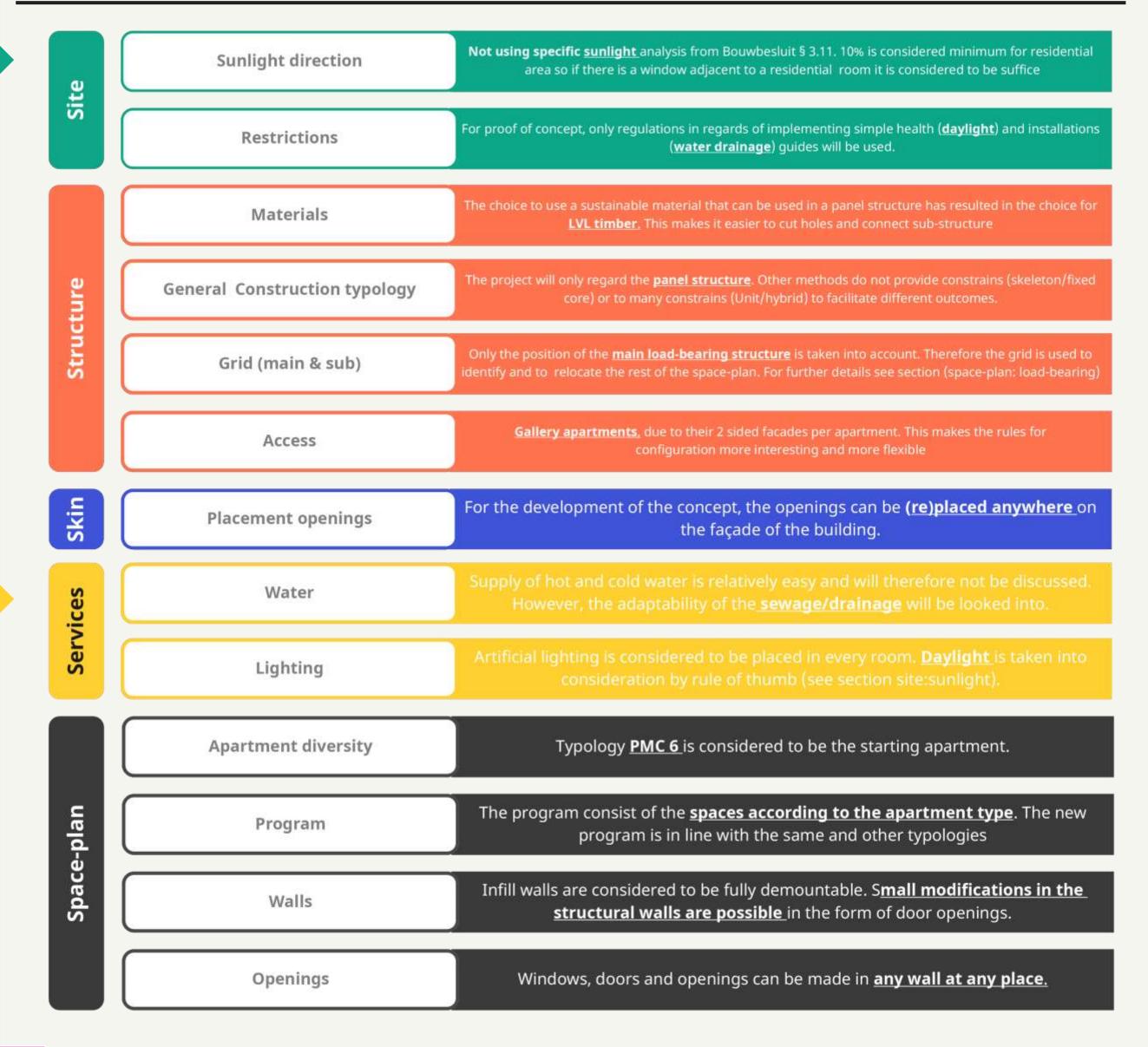








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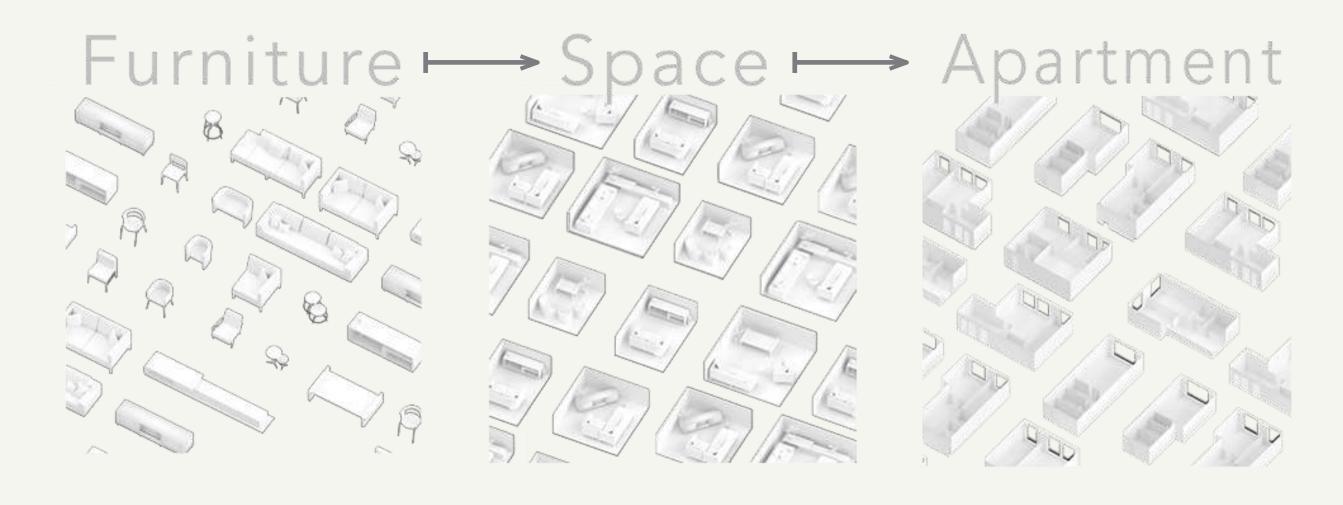








# Spatial Parameters



Ergonomics/ Anthropology Legislation Program

Configuration

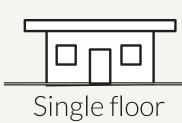
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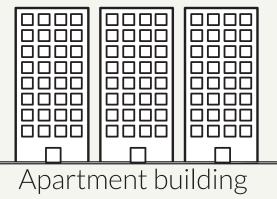


# Typology









Row-house

Apartment building small

Big

#### Occupants









2 persons

Family small

Family big

Financials





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Location



Metropole



Town



Village



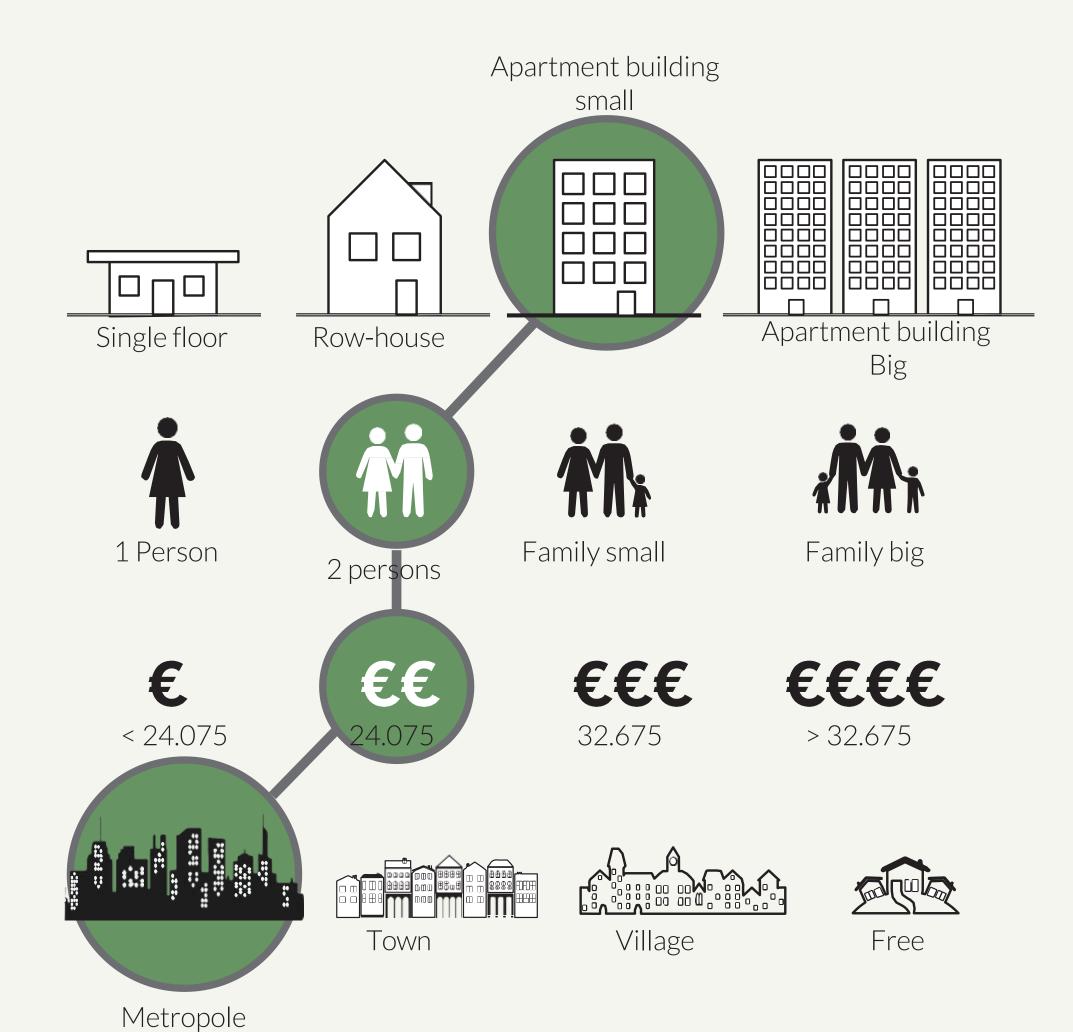
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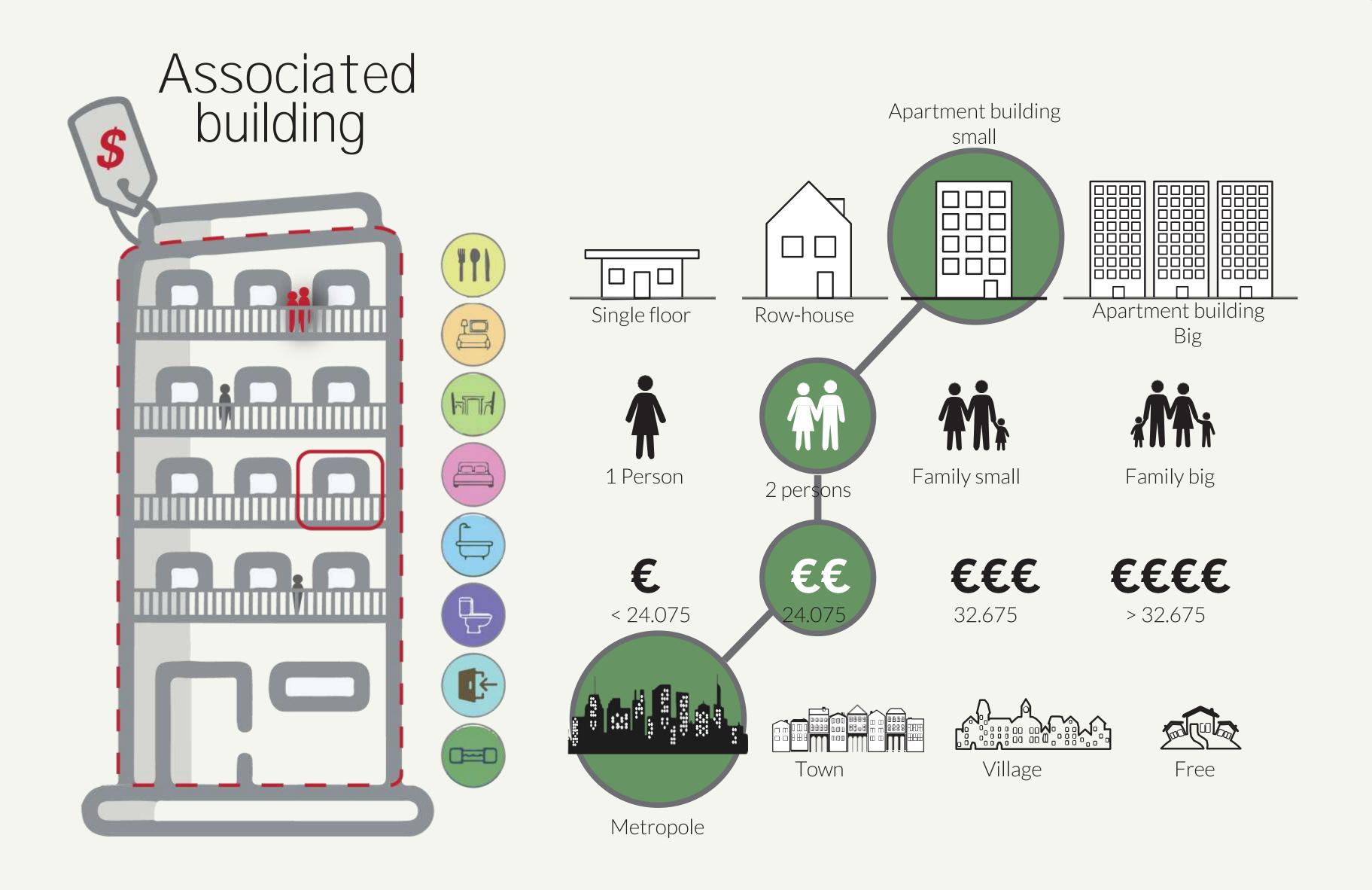
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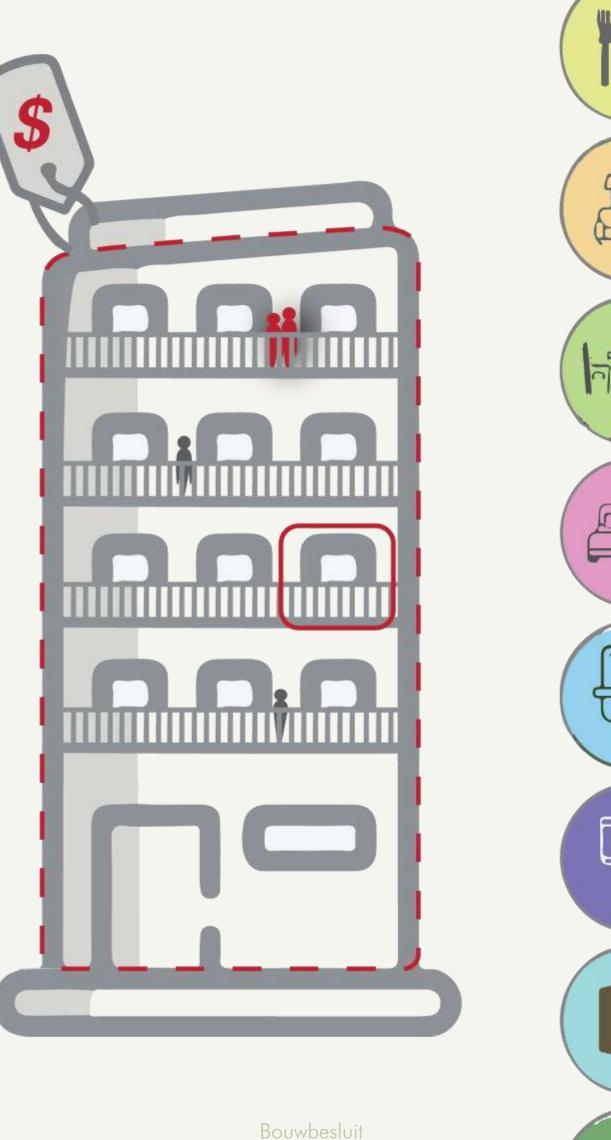








#### Dimensions Configurative Legislative Ergonomics



Kitchenette + sink : Depth = 0,6 [m] Length = 1 [m] Rooms to be connected to: Yes (so in 'open' connection with façade) Stove: Dining space - Adjacent (Open or closed Depth = 0,6 [m] Length = 0,6 Usable space: 0.9 [m] in fr ont of kitchen block Water dr ainage: 2x Drainage is needed for sink: 50 [mm] Depth = 0,6 [m] Length = 0,8 Traffic ar ea only for dining room Drainage is needed for dishwasher: 50 [mm] Advised (min.) length kitchen = 3 [m] Daylight: Rooms with possible connection: Staying area: Place for TV + table: 55 [cm] wide x 30 [cm] deep Dining room - Inside or Adjacent (open/closed Place for coffee- table minimal 3 [m] x 3 [m] Water dr ainage: 0 Place for sofa and or chair: 2 x 1.2 Minimal total size = 11 [m2] Minimal floor ar ea = 11 [m2] Aver age distance between tv and couch: 2 [m] Traffic ar ea: Everything outside 3 x 3 [m] Minimal floor width = 3 [m] Kitchen - Adjacent (open or closed connection) Daylight: Size table =  $1.2 \times 0.9$ At least 1,2 x 0,9 [m] Rooms with possible connection: Space to sit and leave table = 0.5 [m] Living room - Adjacent (open or closed At least 2 sides of table should be accessible Water dr ainage: 0 Traffic ar ea e verything e xcept 1,50 x 1,10 [m] tra ffi c area ),6 [m] to get in and out of bed (and place for 1,4 [m] x 2 [m] ,9 [m] depth for a closet + 0,6 [m] to walk in fr ooms with possible connection: Nater dr ainage: 0 **Living room** - Inside or Adjacent 1,4 x 2 [m] for a small bed 0,5 [m] x 0,4 [m] 0,5 x 0,4 [m] (2) for a war drobes Minimal 1,85 [m] wide raffic ar ea only for bathr oom Minimal 5 [m2] Minimal estimated area: 9,5 [m2] raffic ar ea only for balcony 0,9 [m] x 0,9 [m] Bedroom - Adjacent (Closed co Daylight: 0,9 [m] to get in and out of the sho wer Rooms with possible connection 0,6 [m] to stand befor e the sink 0,6 [m] wide x 0,45 [m] deep Toilet - inside Water dr ainage: 2x Cabinets can be placed underneath the sink Drainage is needed for sink: 50 [mm] Minimal area: 1,215 [m2] Drainage is needed for sho wer: 50 [mm] Minimal length = 0,9 [m] = 1,5 [m] raffic ar ea: **none** Minimal depth = 0,9 + 0,45 [m] = 1,35 [m] Adjacent outside (Closed Space in fr ont of toilet: included in dimensions Depth = 0.6 [m] width = 0.4 [m]Drainage is needed for sink: 50 [mm] space in front of sink: included in the minimal size Drainage is needed for toilet: 100 [mm] Advised (min.) L x W toilet =  $0.6 \times 0.4$  [m] Traffic ar ea: **none** Minimal size r oom: 0,9 x 1,2 [m], If wheelchair access: 1,65 x 2,2 [m] Daylight: Front door - Adjacent (Closed connection) 0,85 + 0,3 [m] for closing door. If wheelchair: minimum 1,5 x 1,5 [m] Water dr ainage: 0x Traffic ar ea for whole apartment  $\label{eq:minimal} \mbox{Minimal size r} \quad \mbox{oom: 0,85 [m] wide}$ Daylight: Minimal size W xD = 750x310 [mm]Water dr ainage: 0x

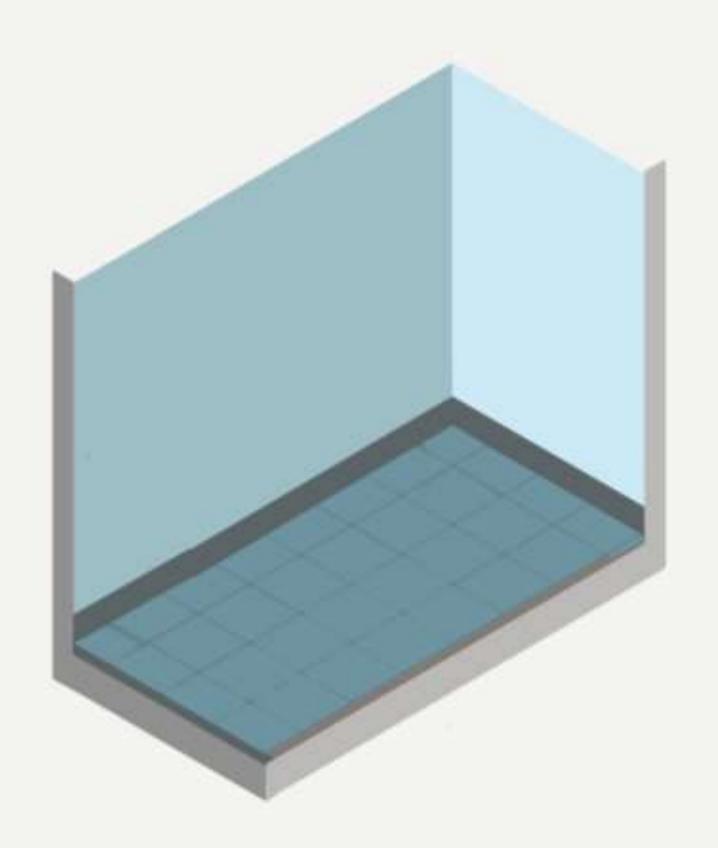
Fraffic ar ea: **None** 

Maximum distance fr om fr ont door = 3[m]

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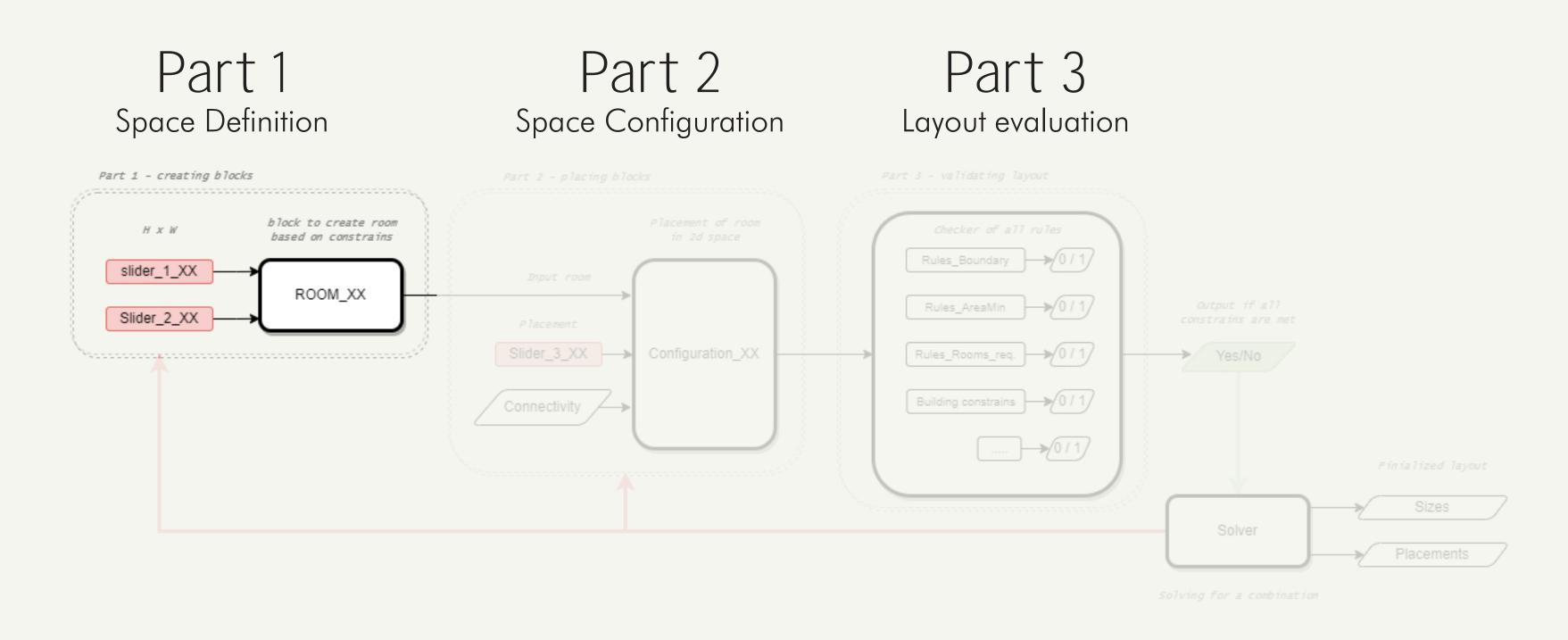








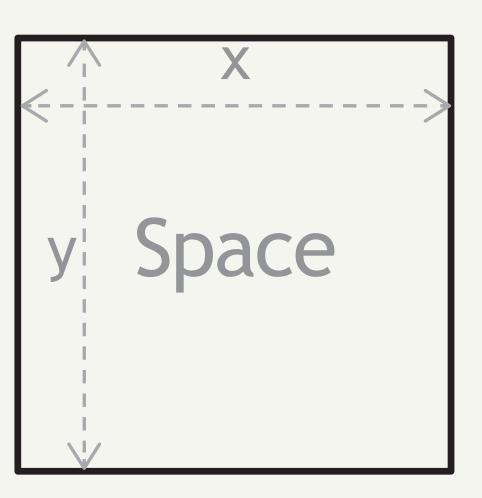
# Model Assembly







Space Definition



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Width = \{x \in R : width min \le x \le indicative max \}
Lenght = \{x \in R : length min \le x \le indicative max \}
'Lenght x Width should be possible combinations
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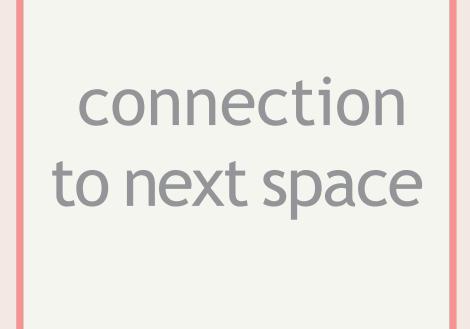






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Space Definition



Offset edges with 100 [mm]

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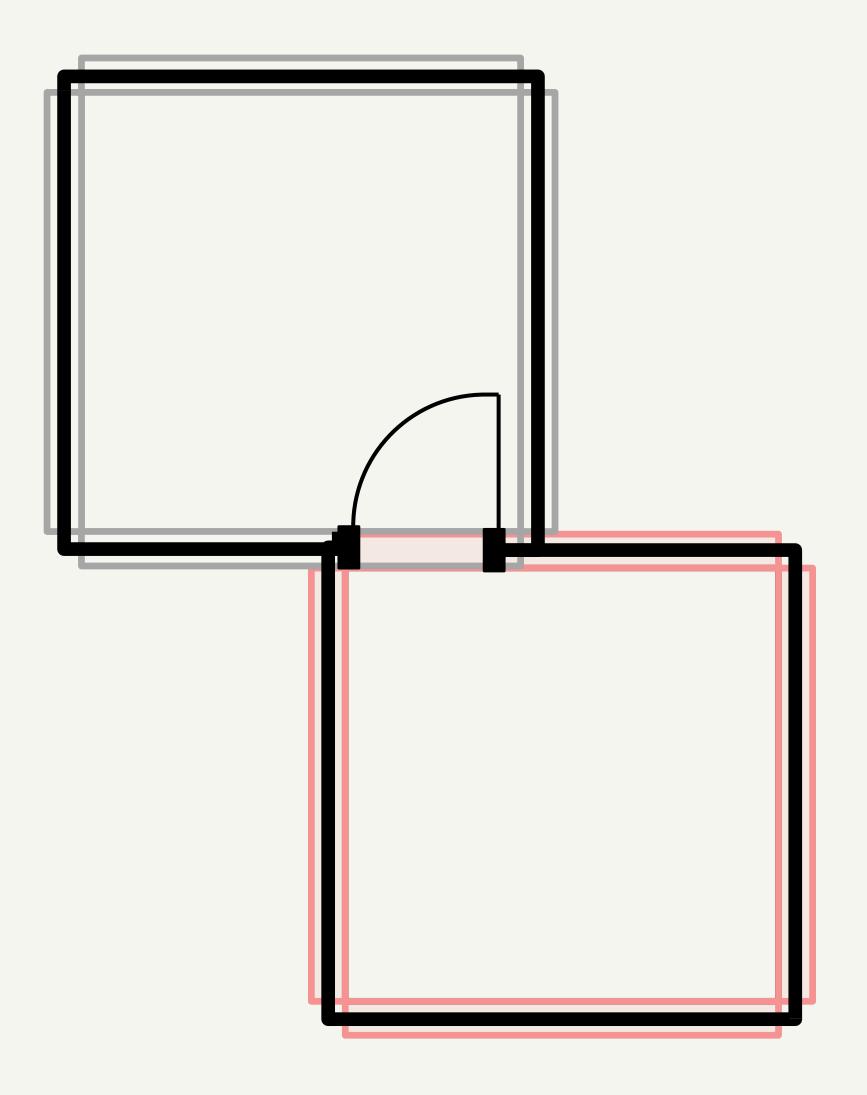








Space Definition



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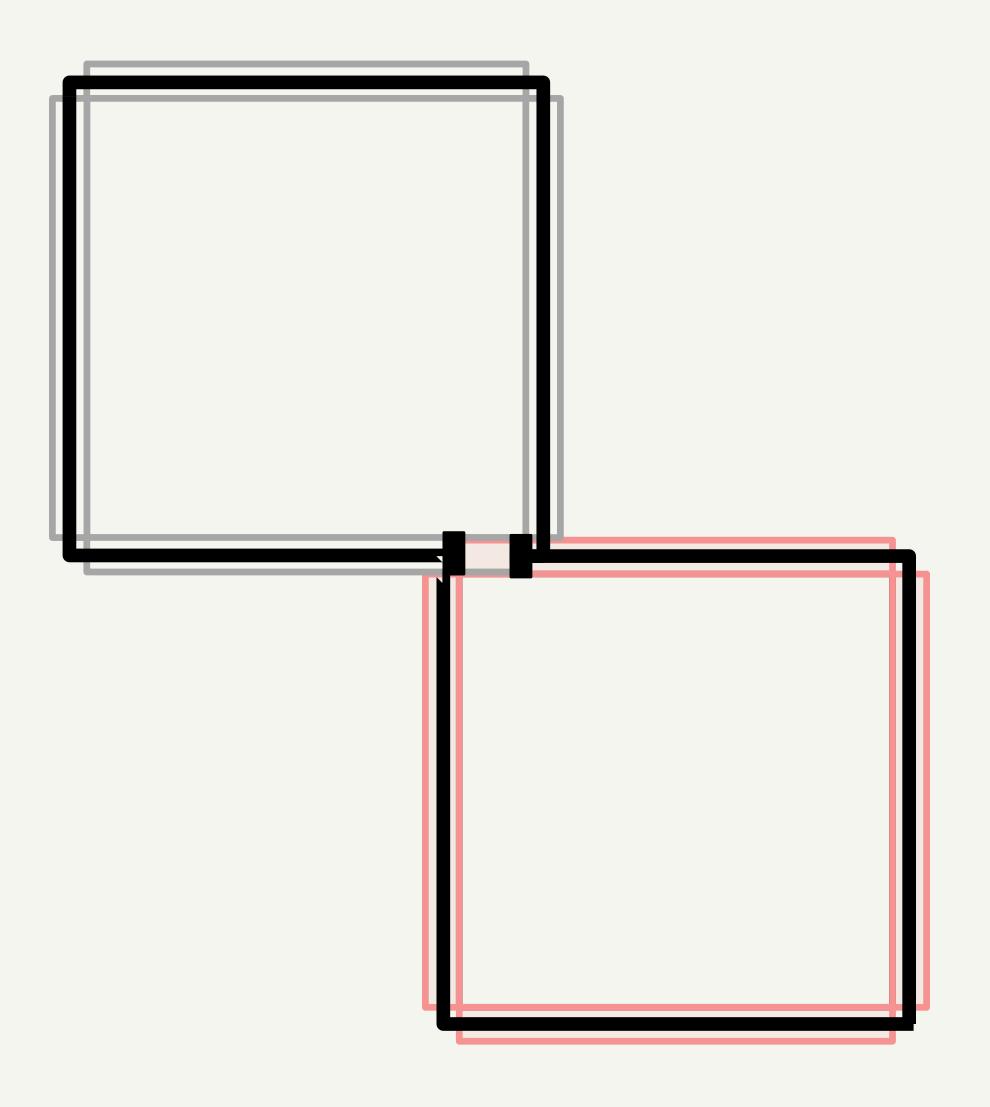








Space Definition



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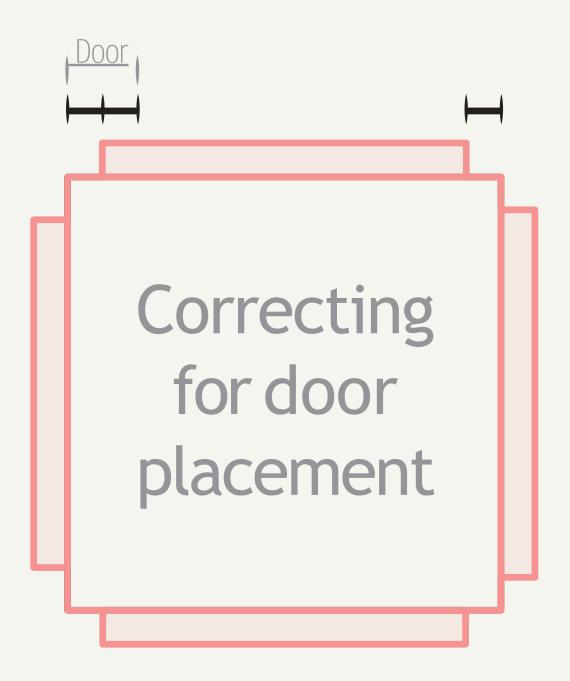








Space Definition



Narrow length of connectivity area with 400 [mm]







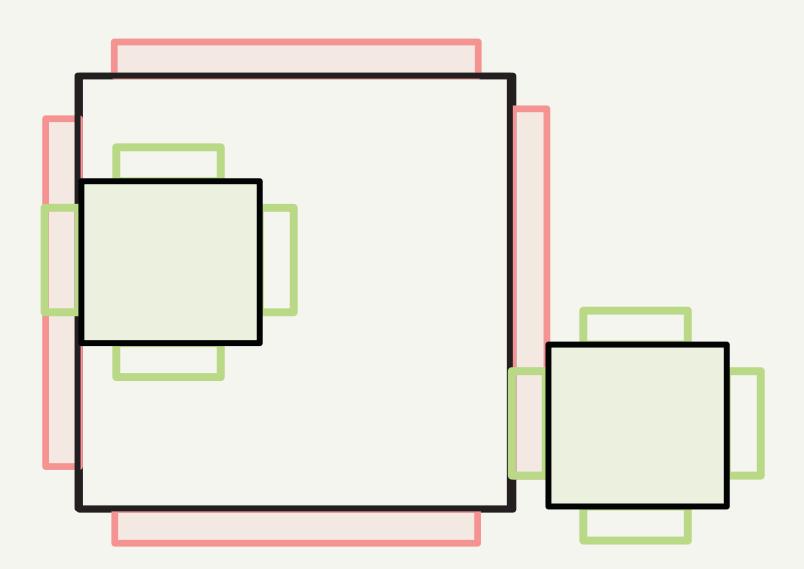








Space Definition



Define what spaces are allowed to be inside

Toilet - Bathroom

Living room - Dining room

Fusebox - Entry

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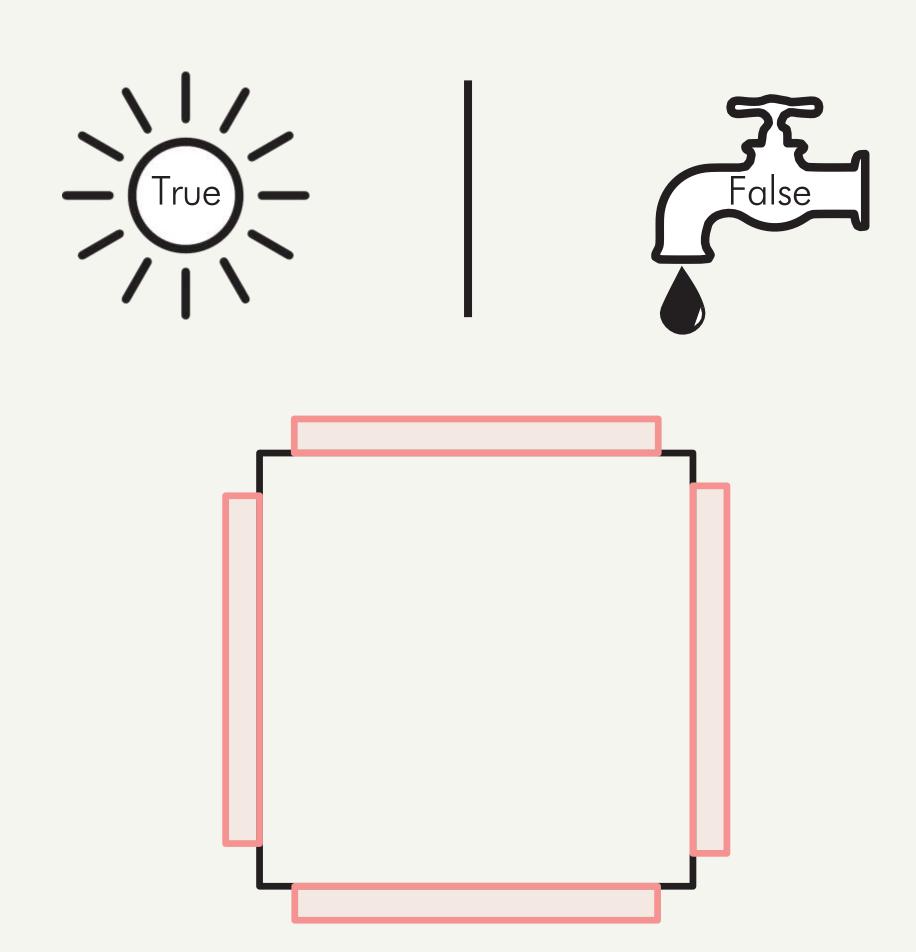








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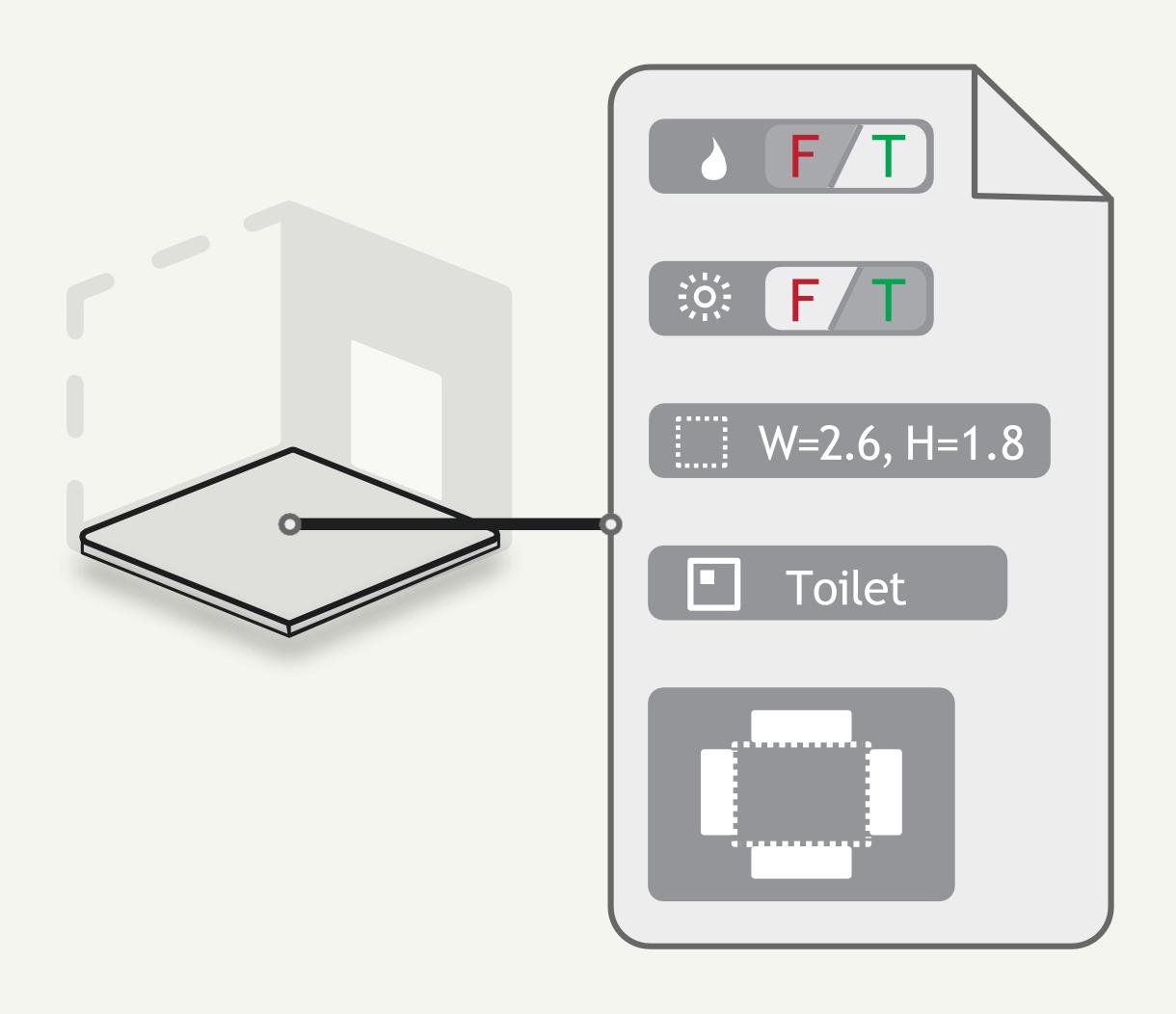






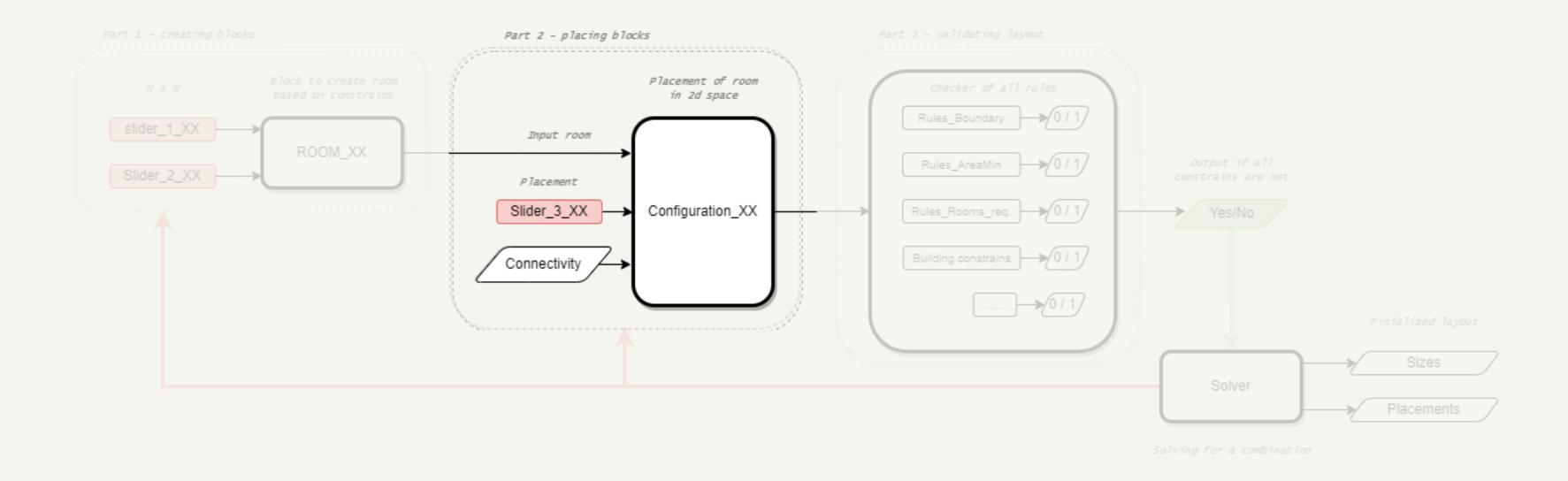
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Space Definition





# Part 2 - Space Configuration



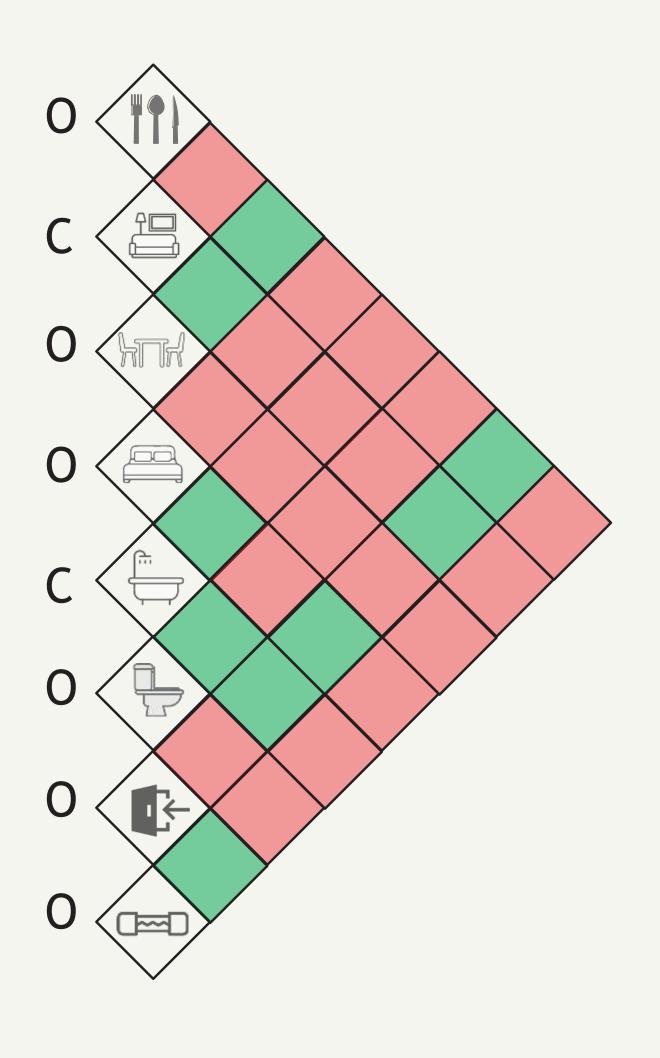




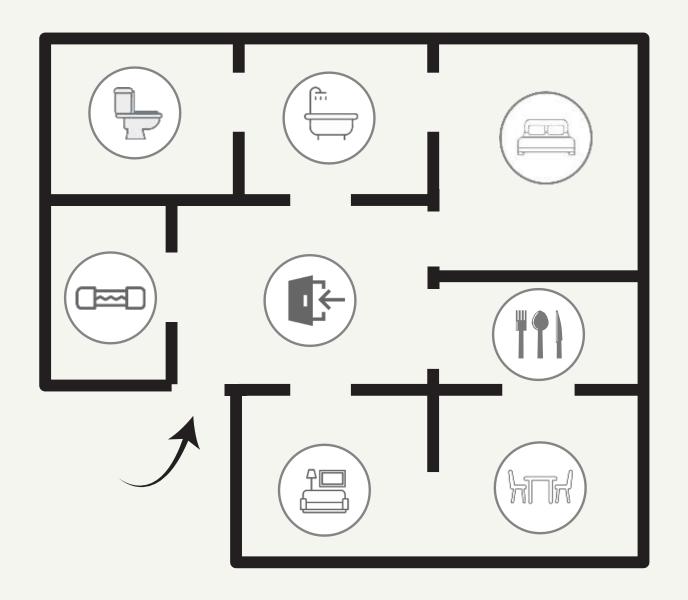




#### Part 2 Space Configuration



- Not wanted (19)
- Adjecent (9)
- Privacy required
- 'Public' access 0



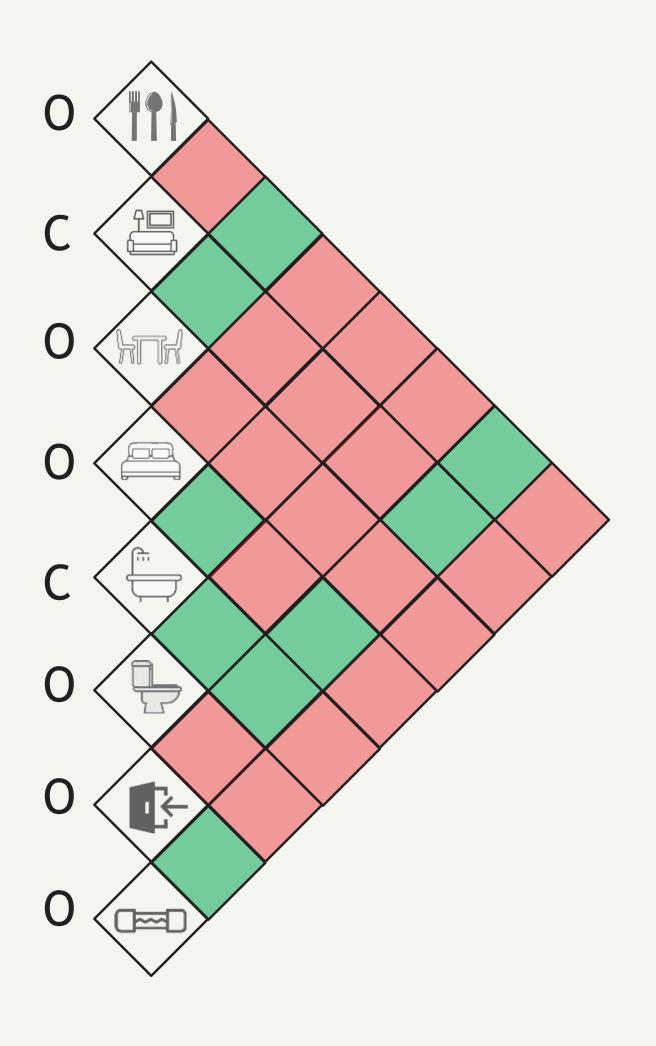




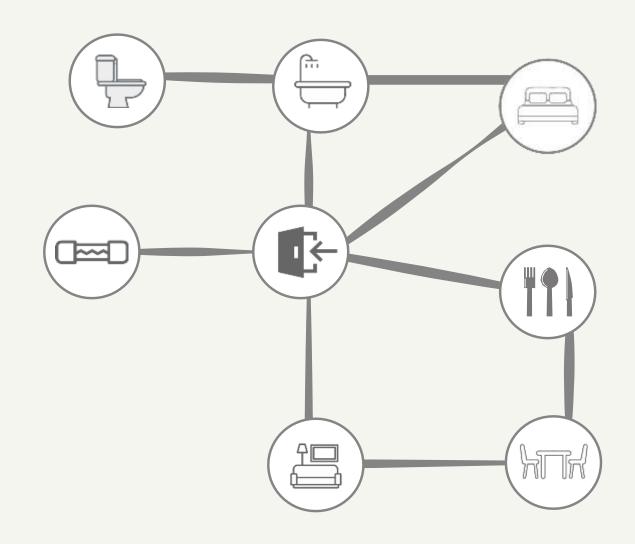


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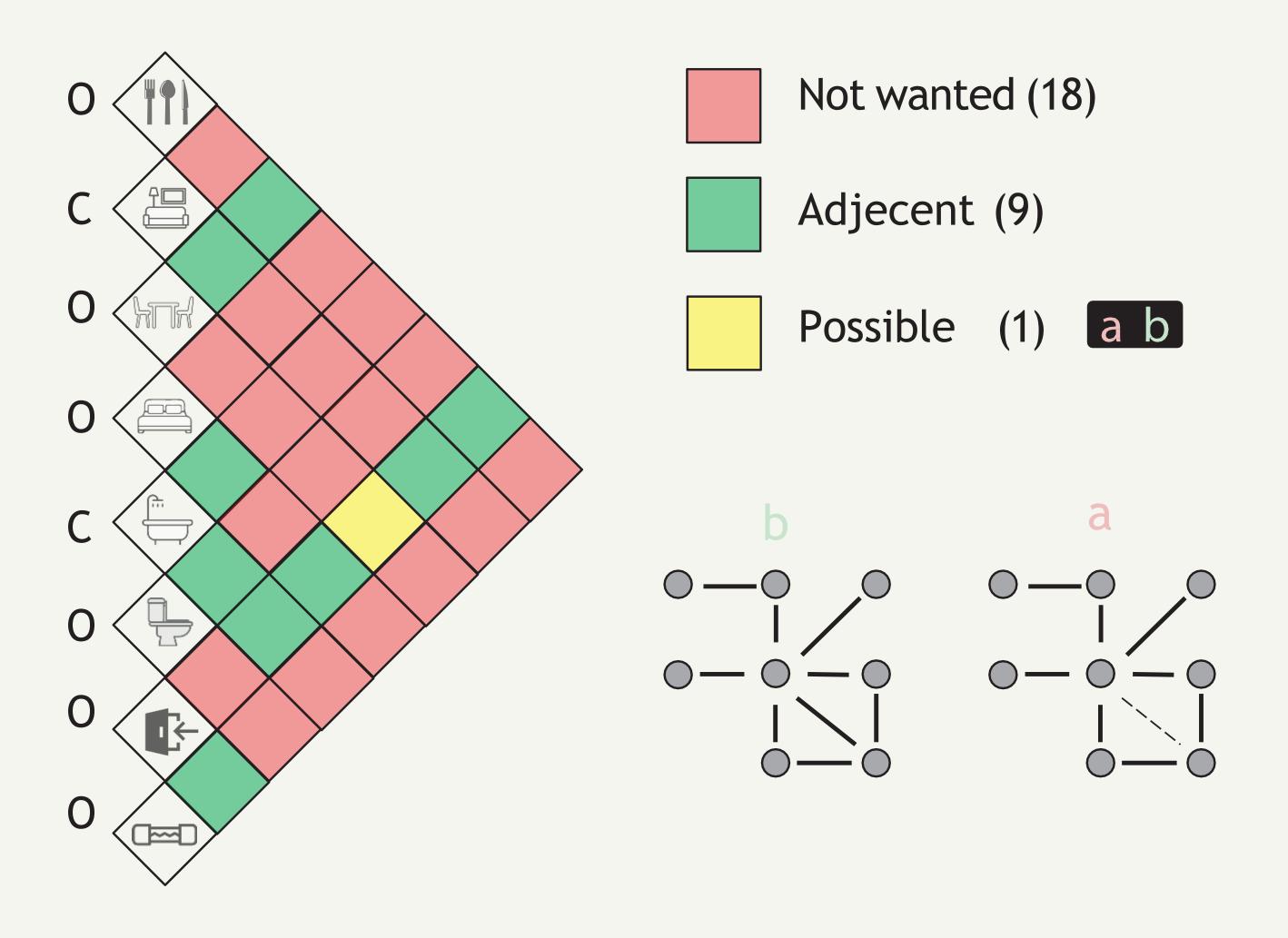
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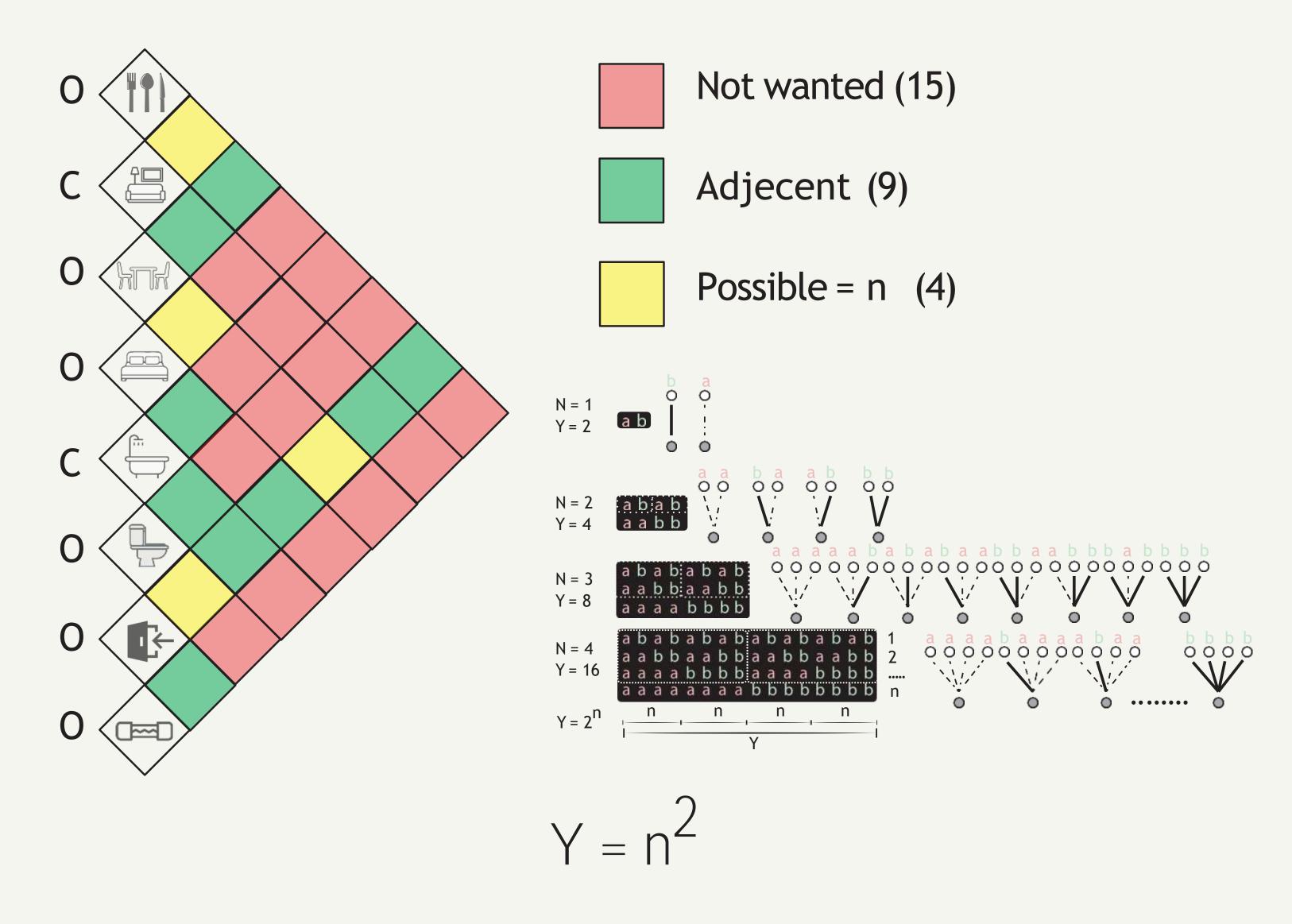








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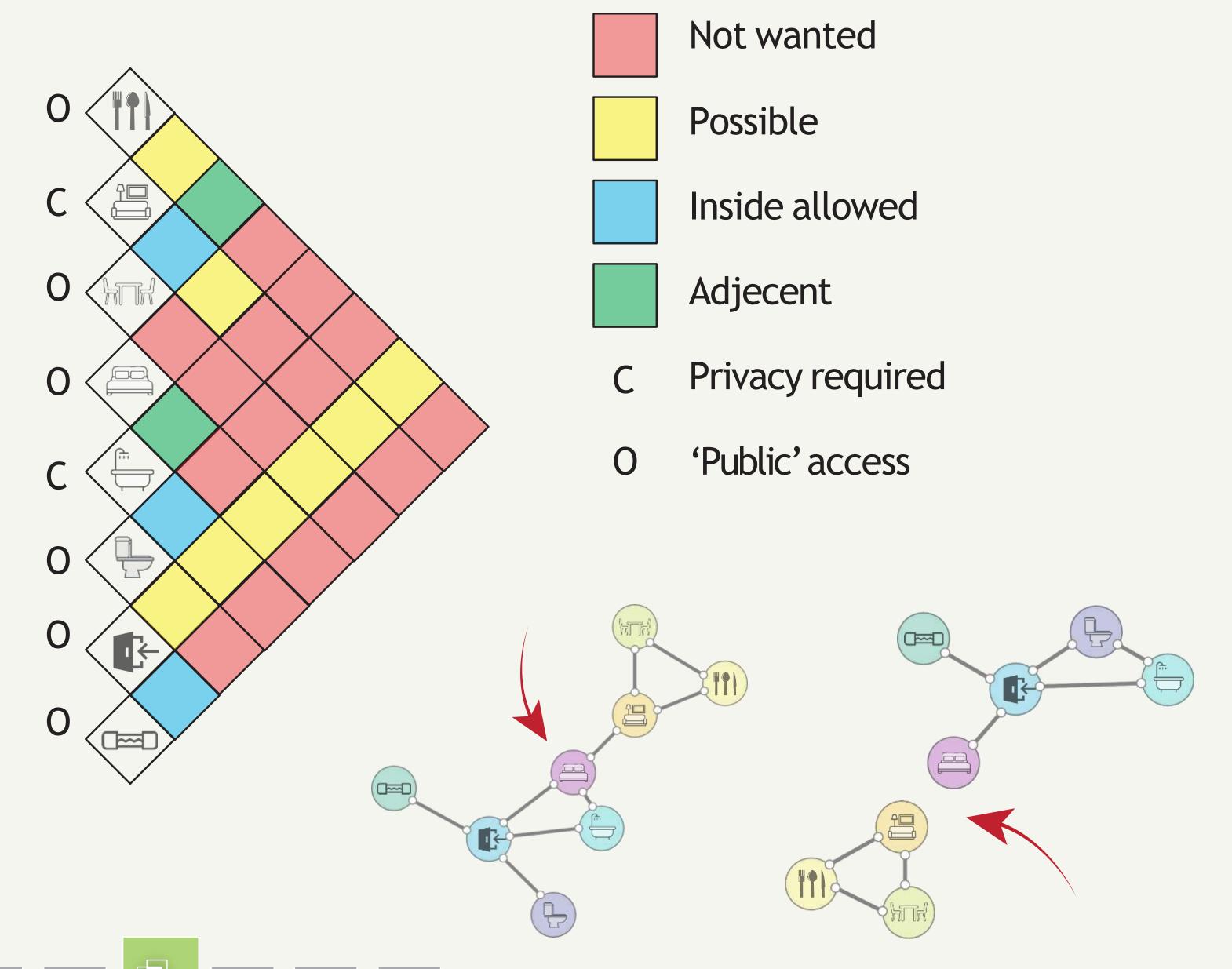






# Part 2 Space Configuration

### 144 configurations



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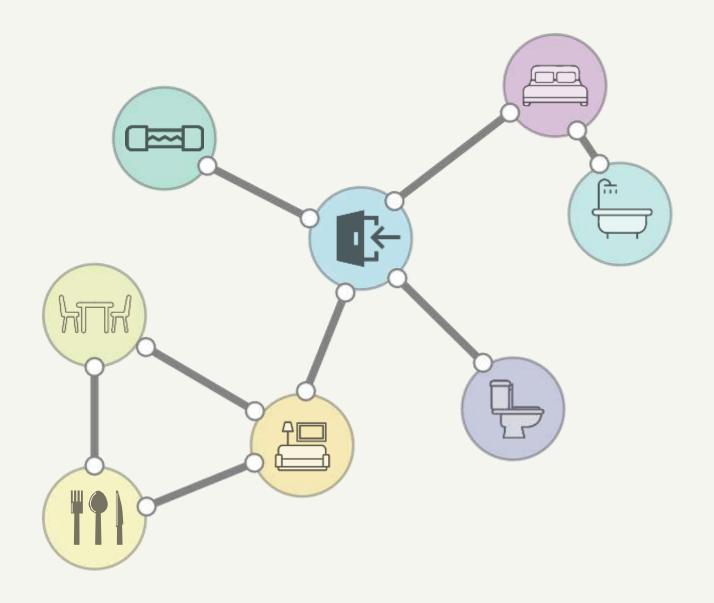


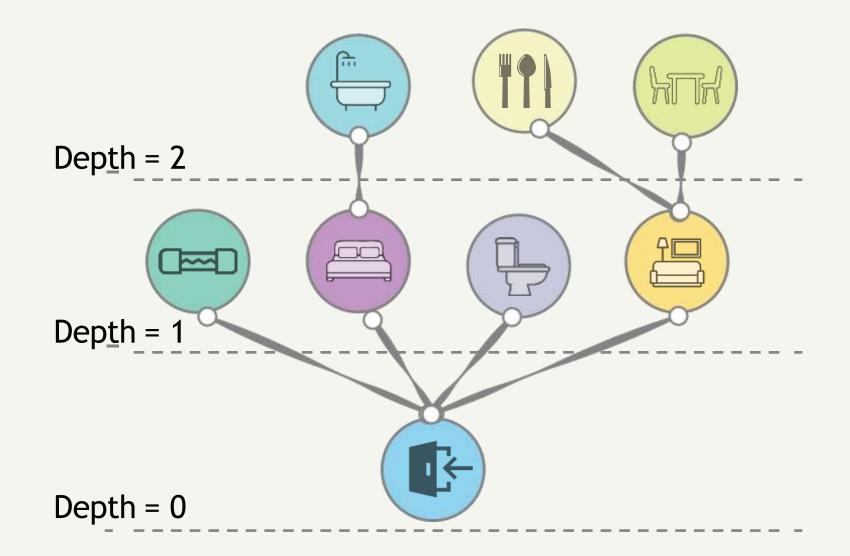






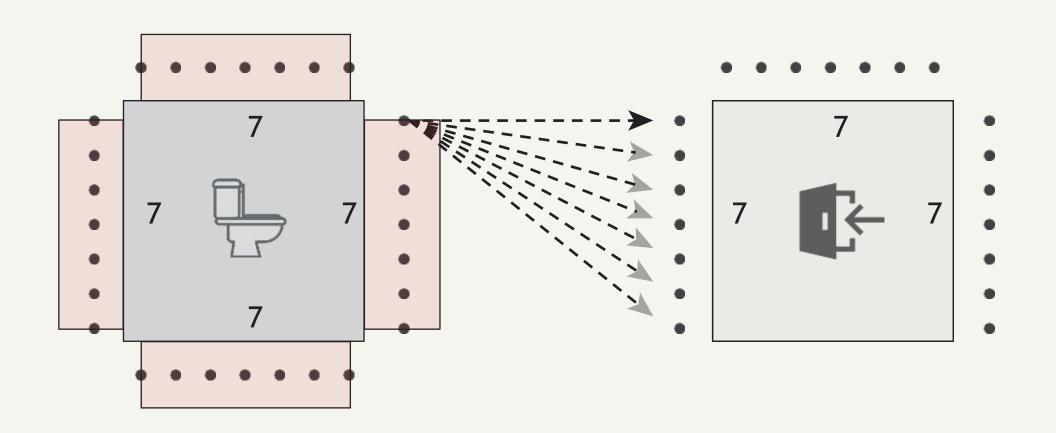
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Space Configuration





Total amount vectors:

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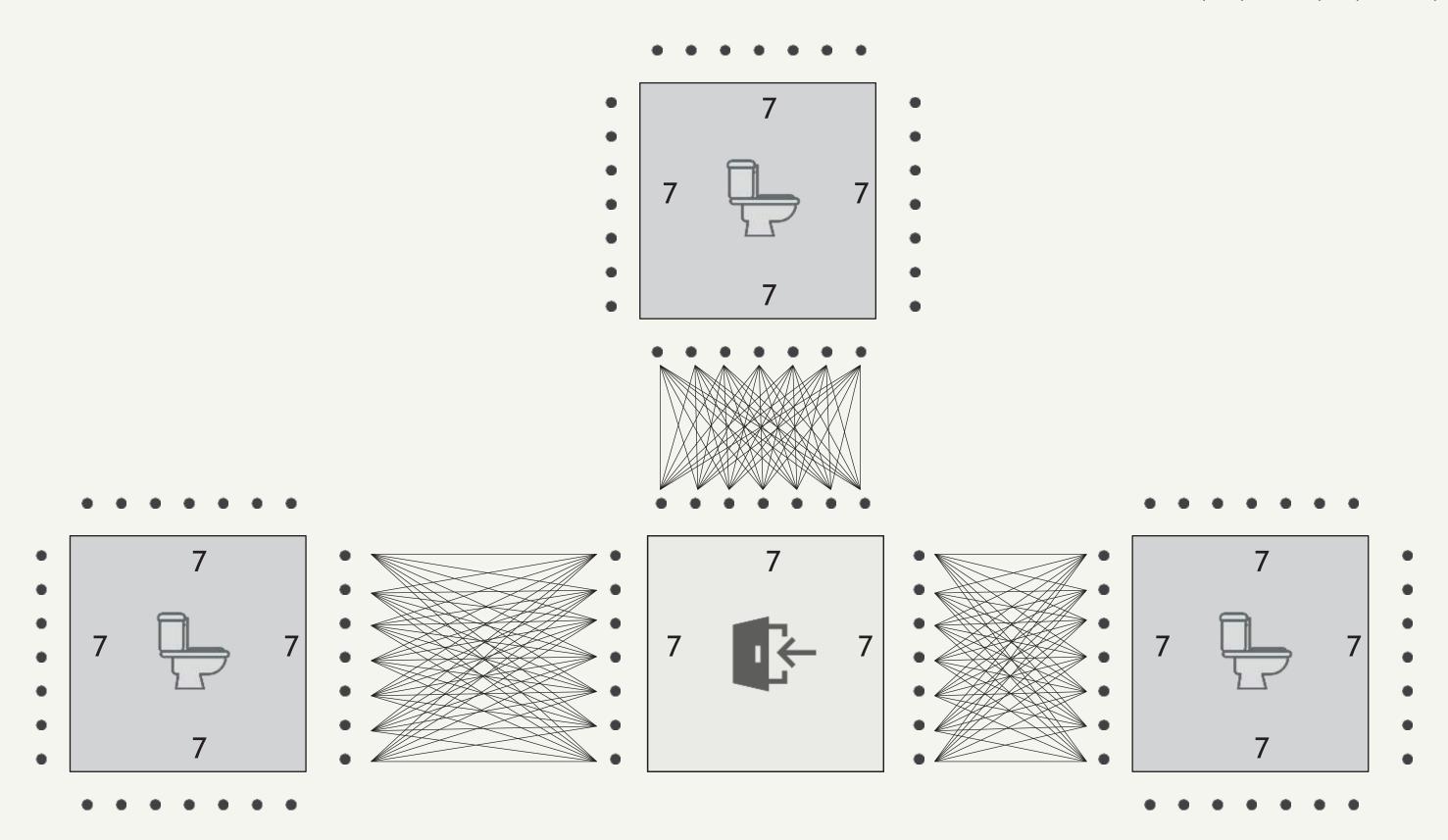








Total amount vectors in list for Toilet: 7x7 + 7x7 + 7x7 = 147











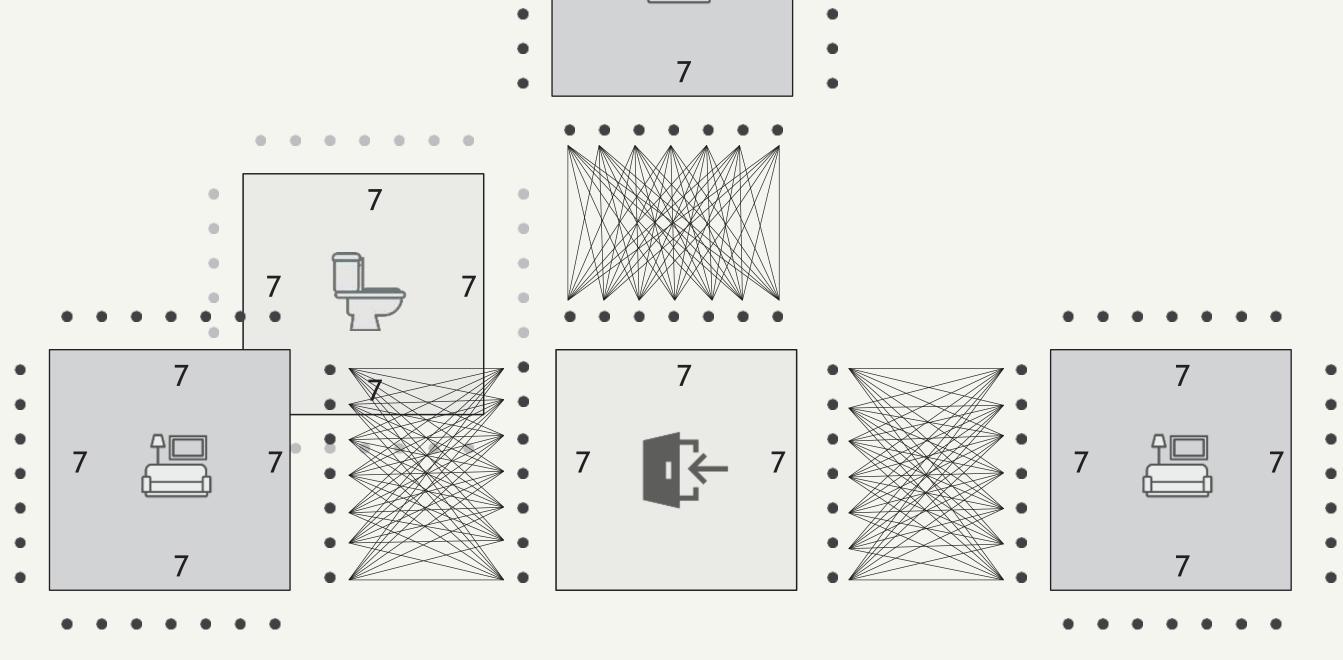
Total amount vectors in list for Toilet:

$$7x7 + 7x7 + 7x7 = 147$$

Total amount vectors in list for livingroom:

$$7x7 + 7x7 + 7x7 = 147$$

Total amount of vectors = 21.609



(Amount of rooms)

Amount vectors =  $((N \text{ side1} \times N \text{ sideA} \times 2) + (N \text{ side2} \times N \text{ sideB} \times 2))$ Amount vectors (8 rooms, 7 nodes, connected to front door) = 218.041.257.467.152.161







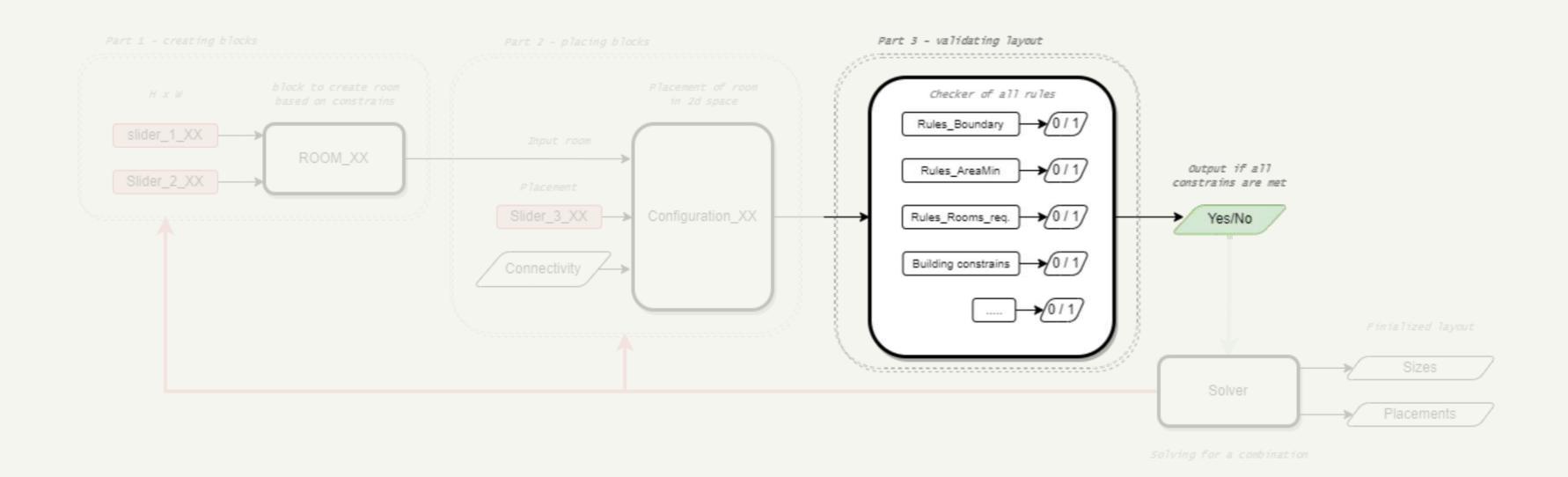








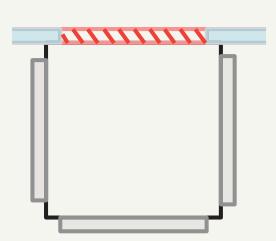
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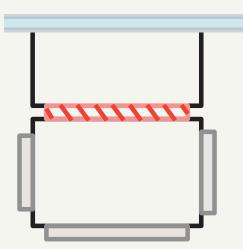
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### Building related rules



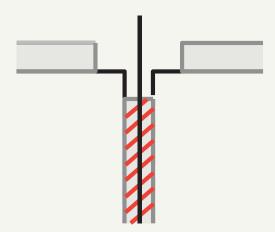
#### Sunlight:

Connectivity area overlapping with a facade that can have openings



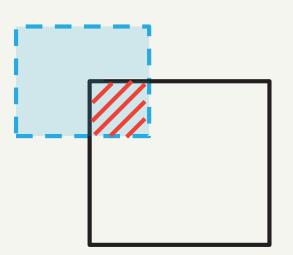
#### Sunlight:

If no direct sunlight, check for indirect sunlight through adjecent rooms with publicpublic access



#### Structure:

Original curves of a space cannot intersect with structural walls



#### Drainage:

If a space requires drainage, it should overlap with the drainage zone. If more than 1 drainage point is required, There should be 0,6 m2 for each point.

### Space related rules



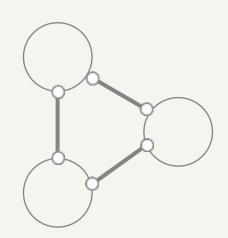
#### Program:

Every room should be included in the layout



#### Interconnectivity:

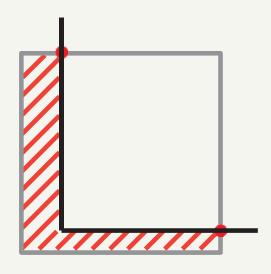
The interconnectivity should be identical to the connectivity diagram used. Overlapping area should intersect.



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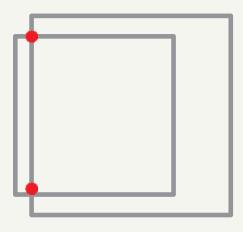
#### Usable surface area:

The sum of the areas of the rooms should be greater than 45.



#### Boundary:

The spaces are not allowed to intersect with the absolute boundary of the building



#### Intersecting spaces:

Spaces are only allowed to intersect if they can exist inside each other.

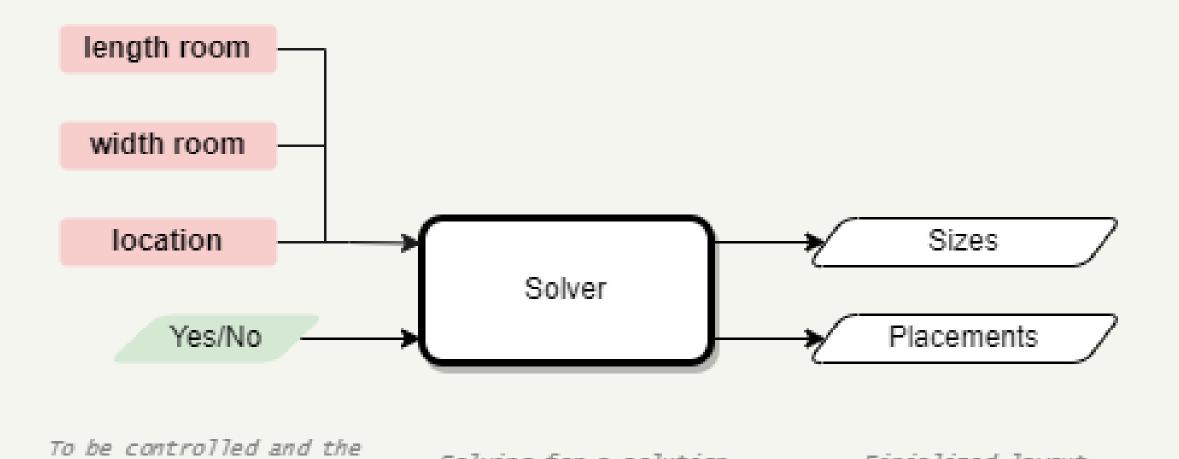








### Part 3 Layout evaluation



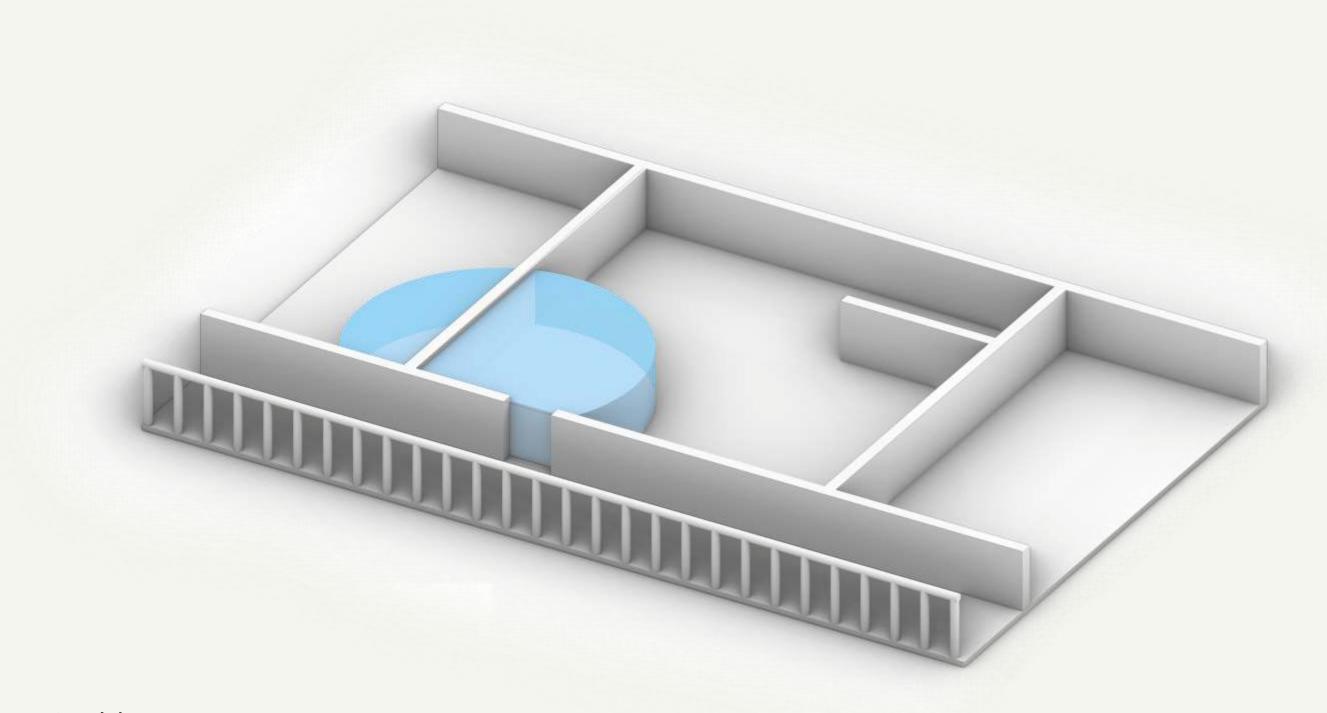
Solving for a solution

Finialized layout

value to solve towards.

### Evaluation

### Validity of output



Width = 7 [m]

Length = 4.8 + 2.2 [m]

Length stability wall = 2.7 [m]

Gallery access

Drainage = 2,5 [m]  $\emptyset$ 

Window placement = Everywhere along facade

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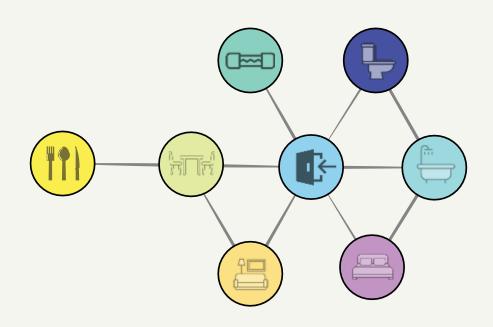


Diagram: 3

3h. Time:

16 Errors:

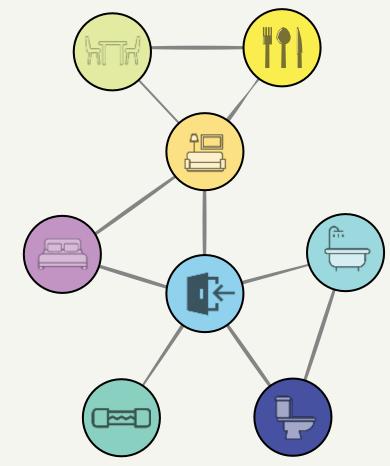


Diagram: 18

4h. Time:

12 Errors:

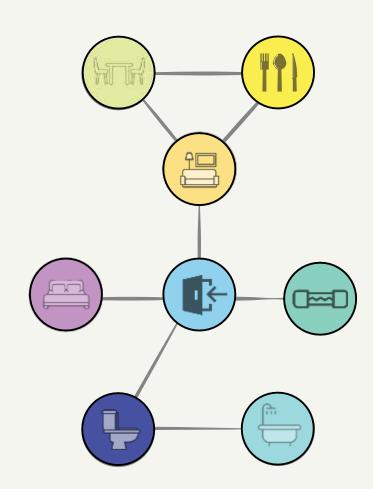
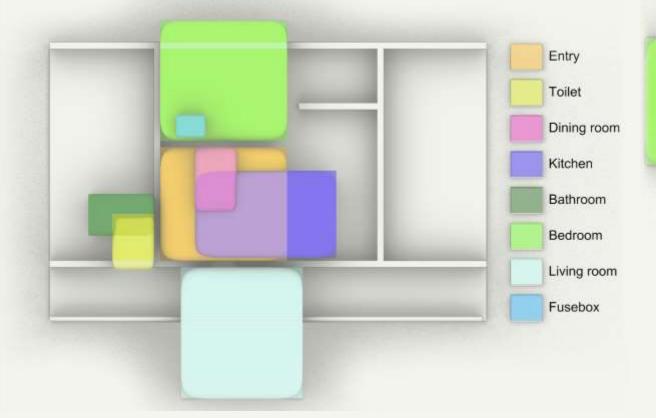
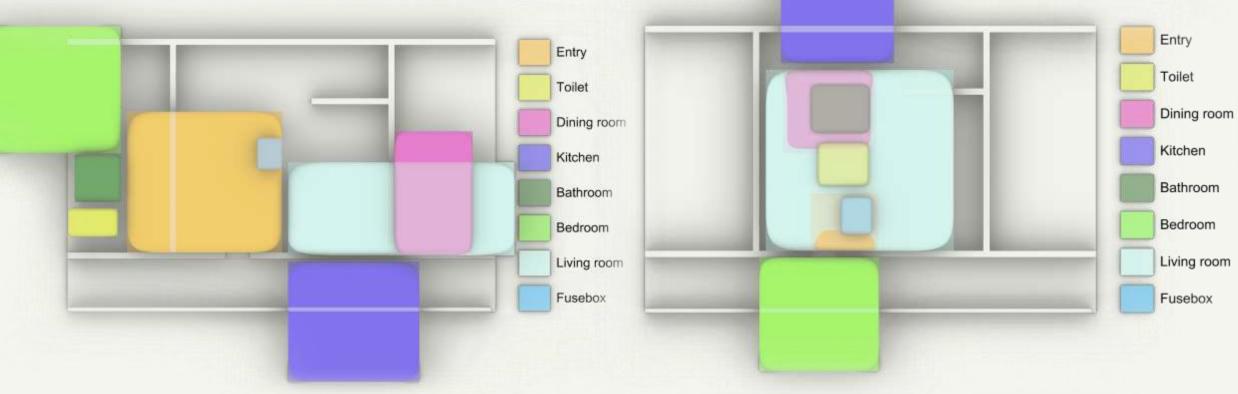


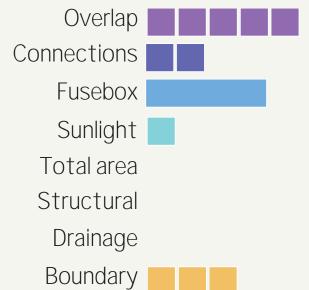
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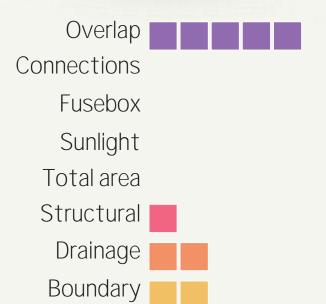
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Overlap Connections Fusebox Sunlight Total area Structural Drainage Boundary





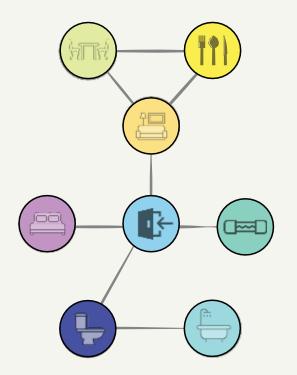




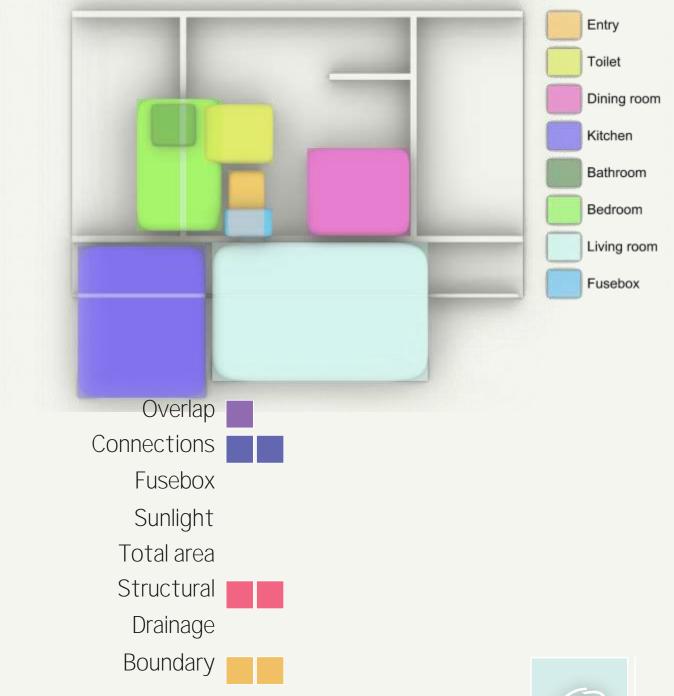








Time: 5h. Errors: 10



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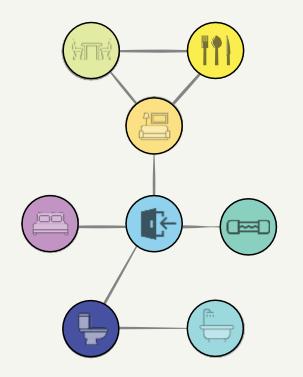








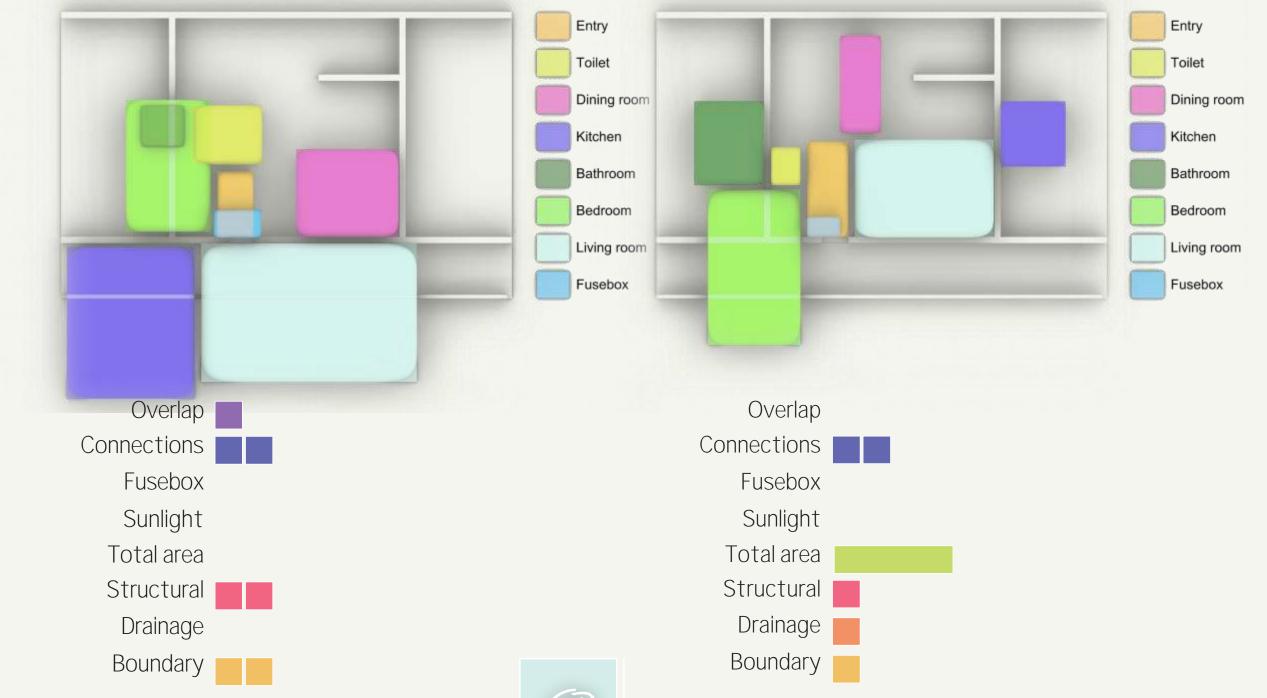




Time: 5h. Errors: 10

Time: 14h.

Errors: 7







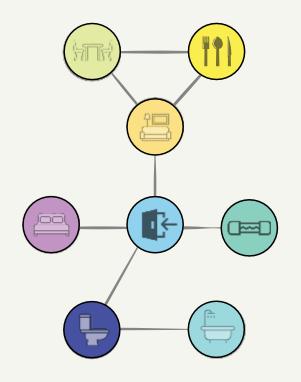








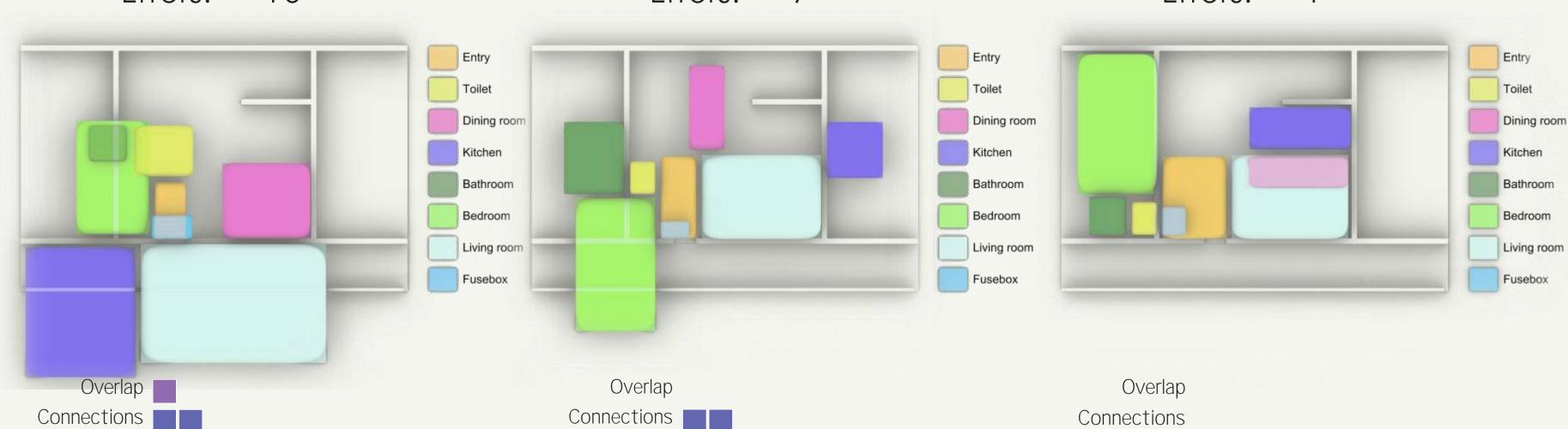




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Fusebox Sunlight Total area Structural Drainage Boundary

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Fusebox

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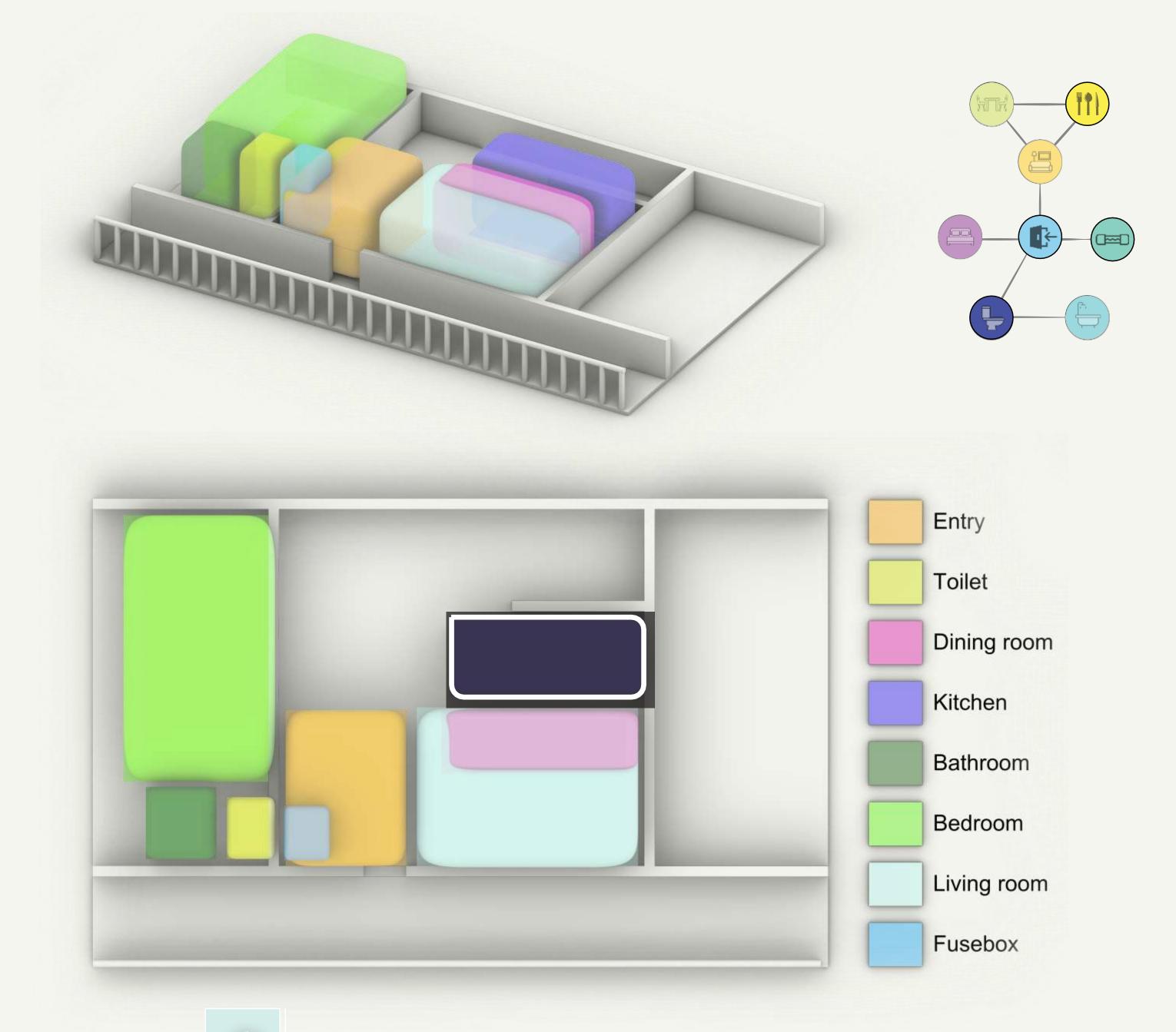
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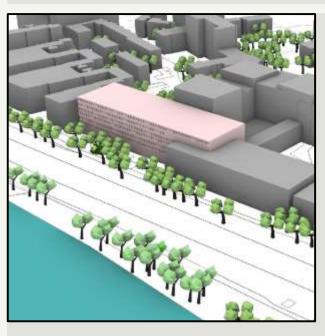
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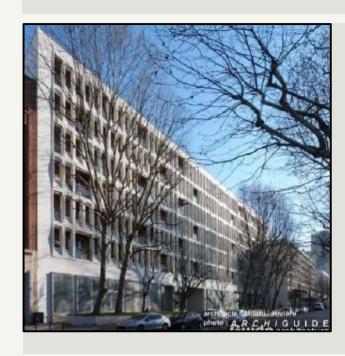
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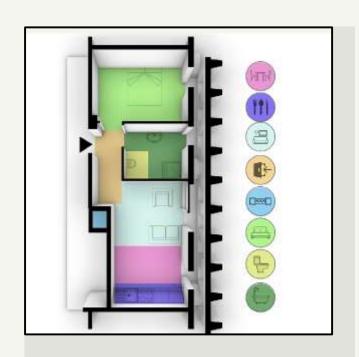
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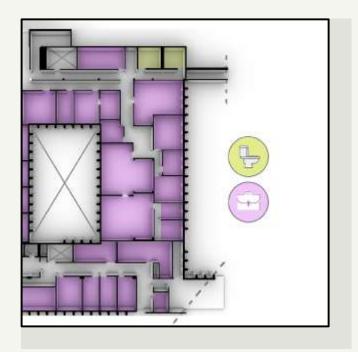












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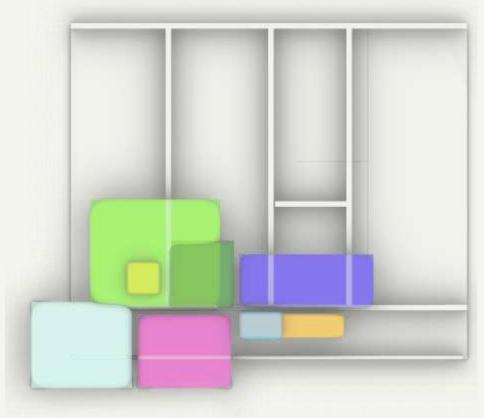




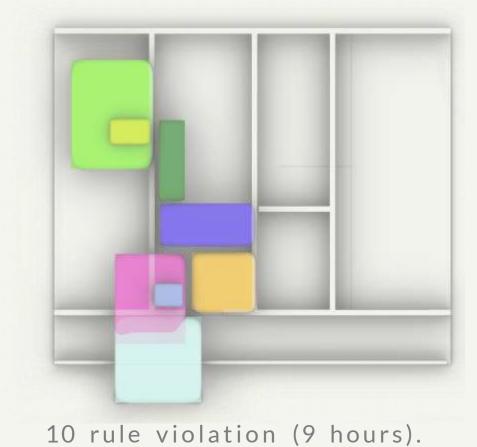




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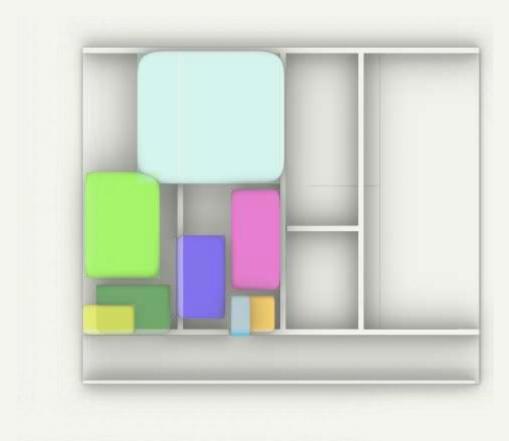


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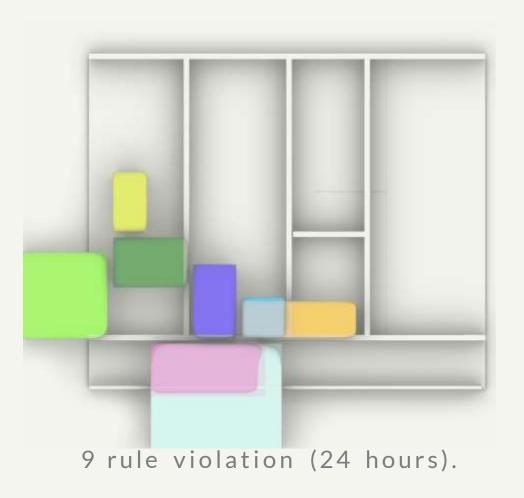




10 rule violation (2 hours).



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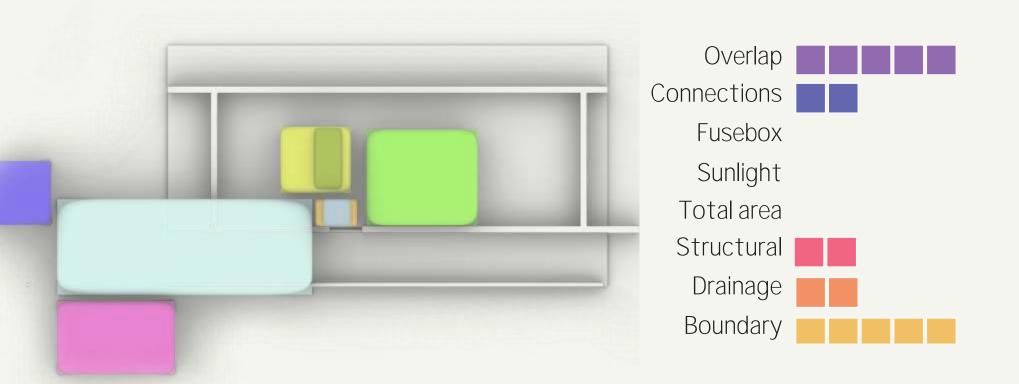




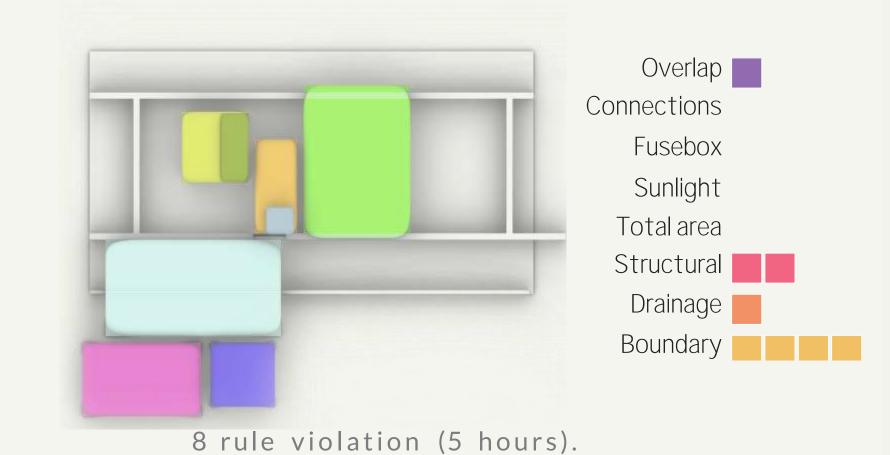


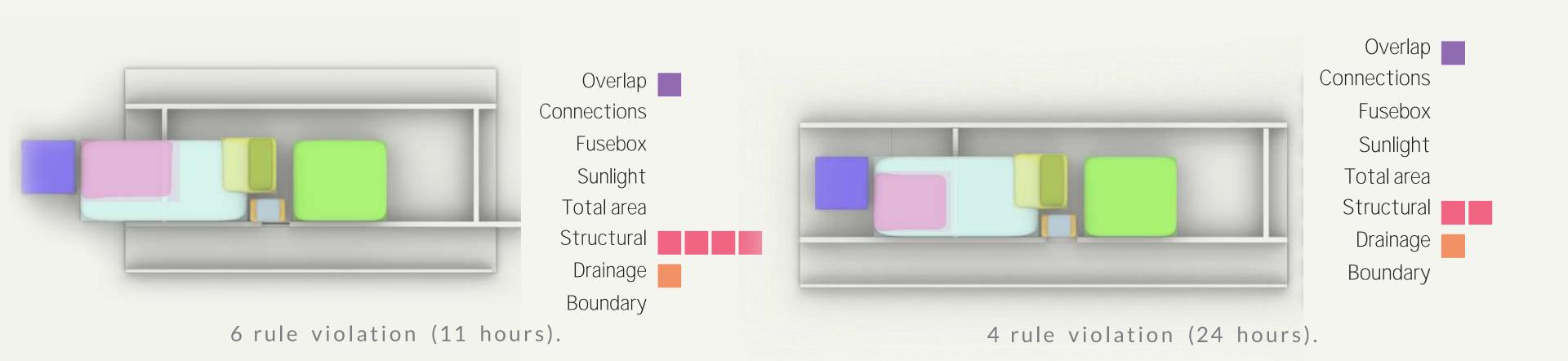


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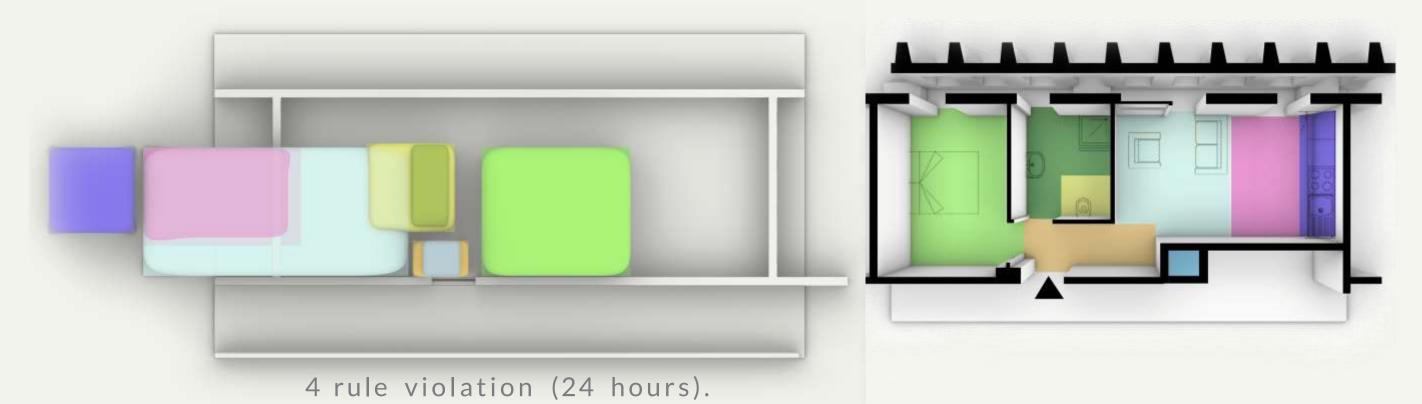




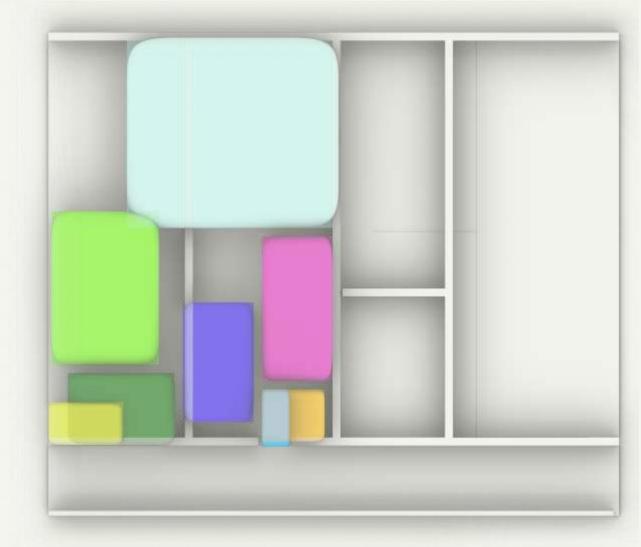




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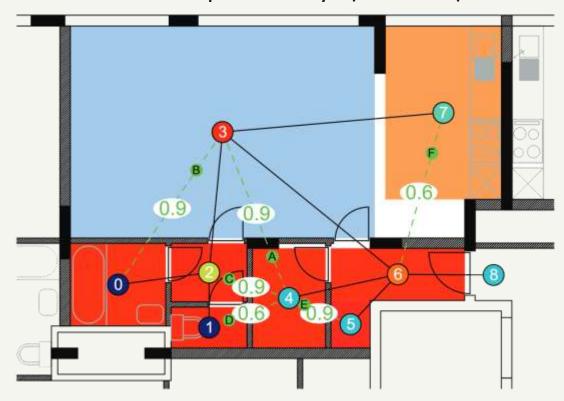




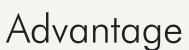


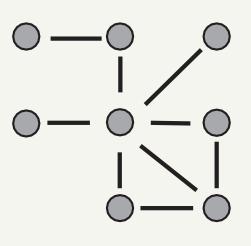
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## The Spatial Assessment of Generality and Adaptability (SAGA)

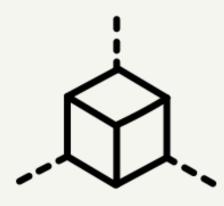






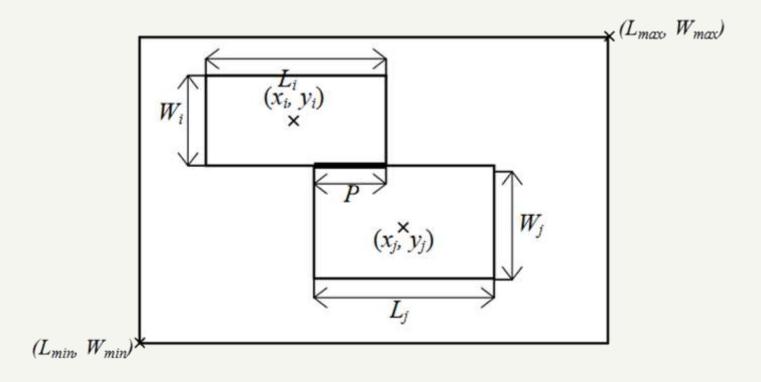


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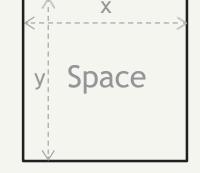


disadvantage

## Constrained based generative system for floor layouts









Advantage

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disadvantage

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### Discussion

## Model limitations

Designed for one typology & occupation Modular techniques Intangible characteristics of spaces Ergonomic assumptions

Output Placement strategy
Ontimize graph da

Open canvas

Optimize graph data usage

Further developments

Encapsulated negative space

Categorize output

Mathematical relationships





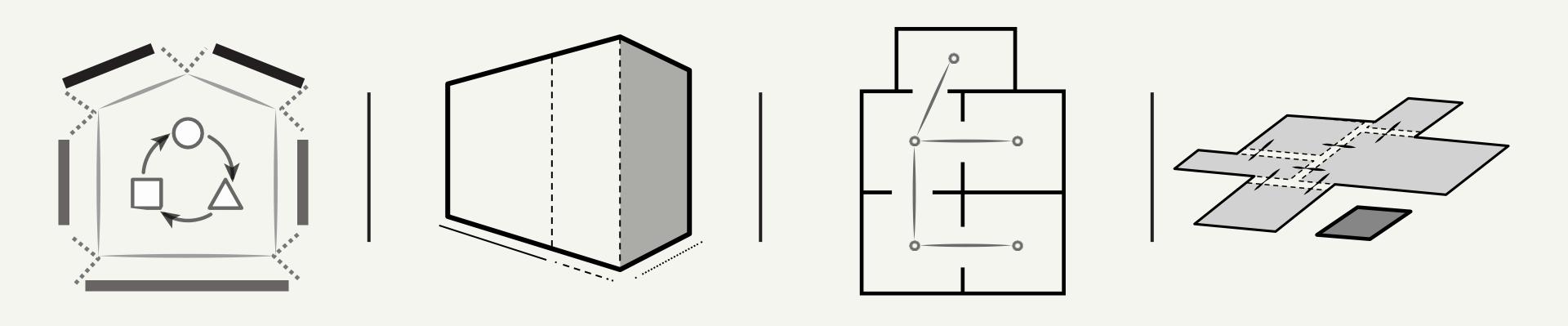






Main research question:

"How can the extent of spatial alternatives of an apartment configuration be explicated within a building design?"



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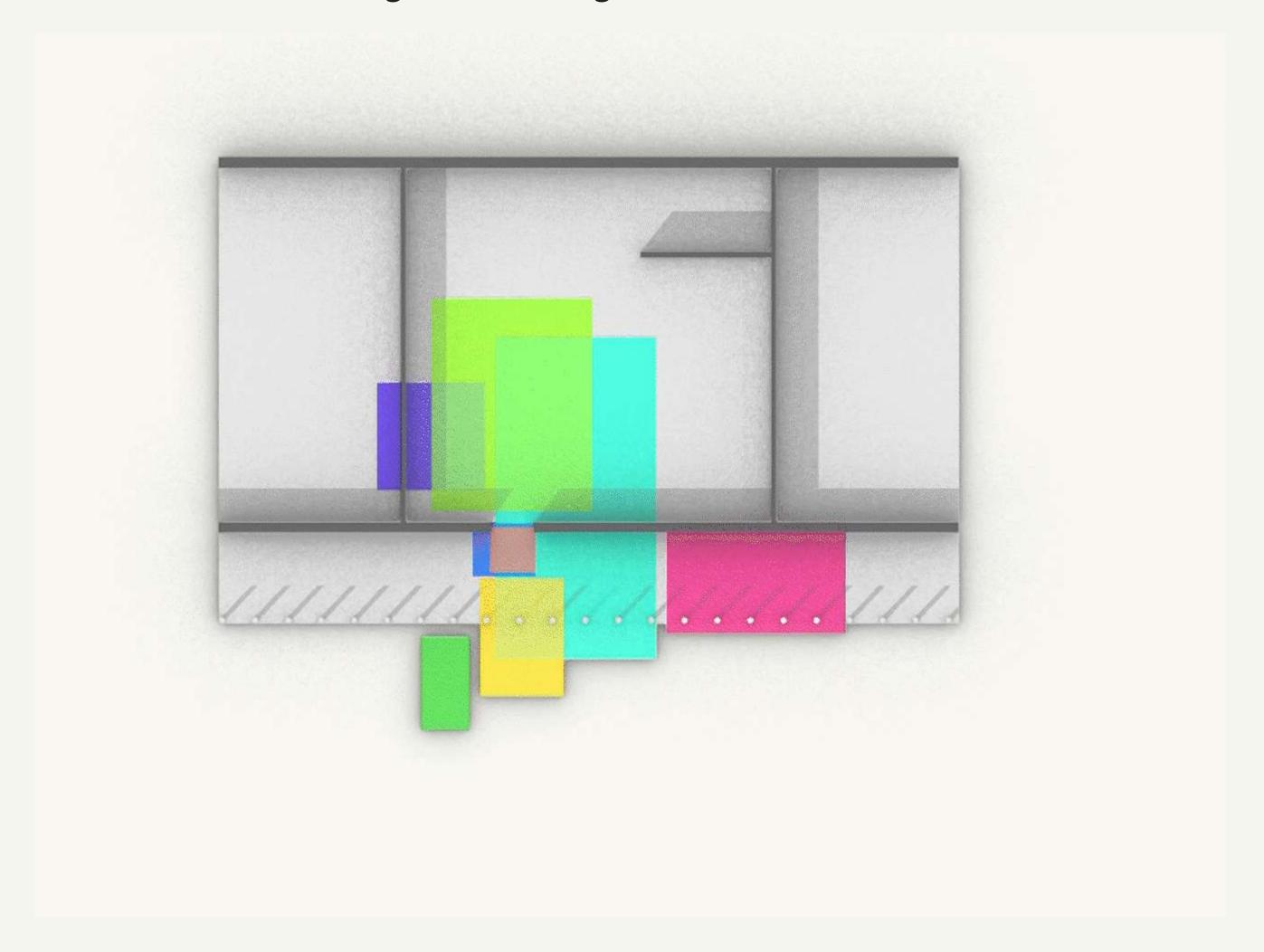








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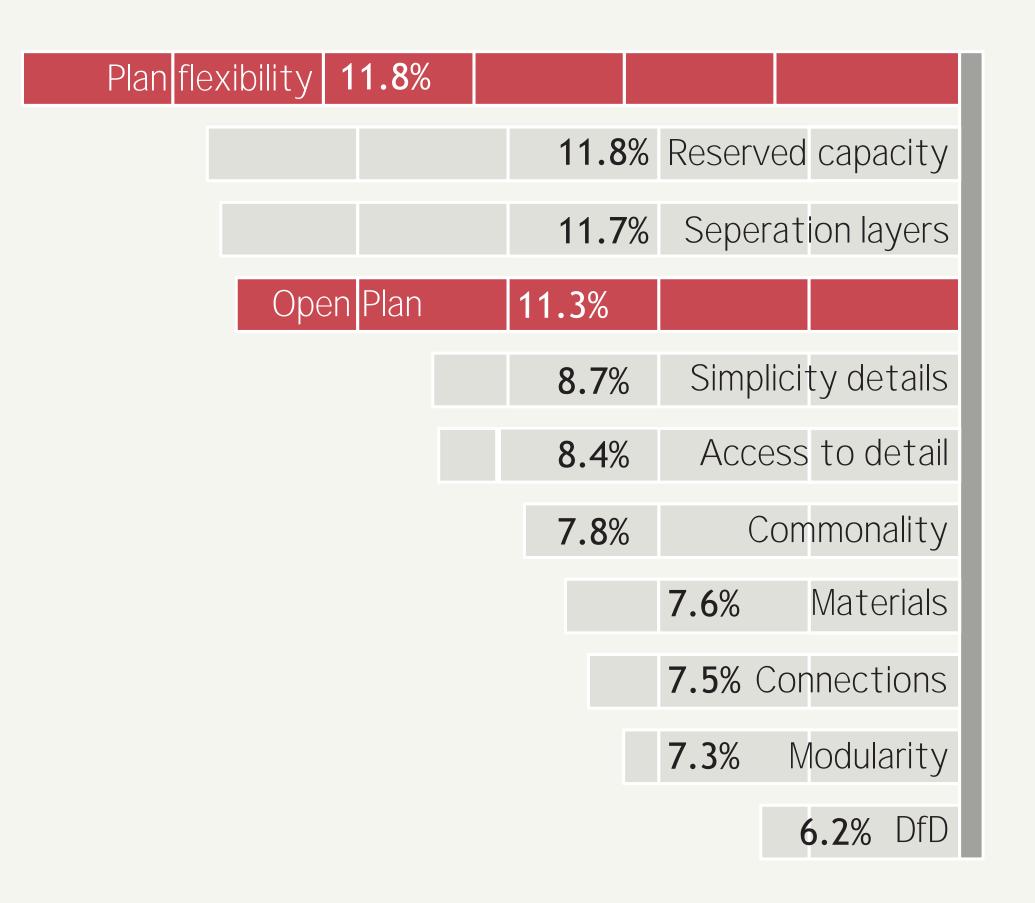












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