

~ONE BILLION HUMANS LIVE IN INFORMAL SETTLEMENTS

UN ESTIMATES THIS NUMBER TO TRIPLE BY 2050

TODAY, PROGRESSIVE DISCOURSE ON DESIGNERS' ENGAGEMENT WITH SUCH COMMUNITIES RELIES EITHER ON SLUM UPGRADING OR INCREMENTAL SOLUTIONS.

CAN DIGITAL ANALYSIS OF BUILDING AND URBAN PERFORMANCE FURTHER THE SUCCESS OF SUCH DESIGN INTERVENTIONS?



URBAN ENERGY FLOWS

**INFORMAL | INCREMENTAL
PORT AU PRINCE: HAITI**

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PRIMARY SUSTAINABILITY GOAL:

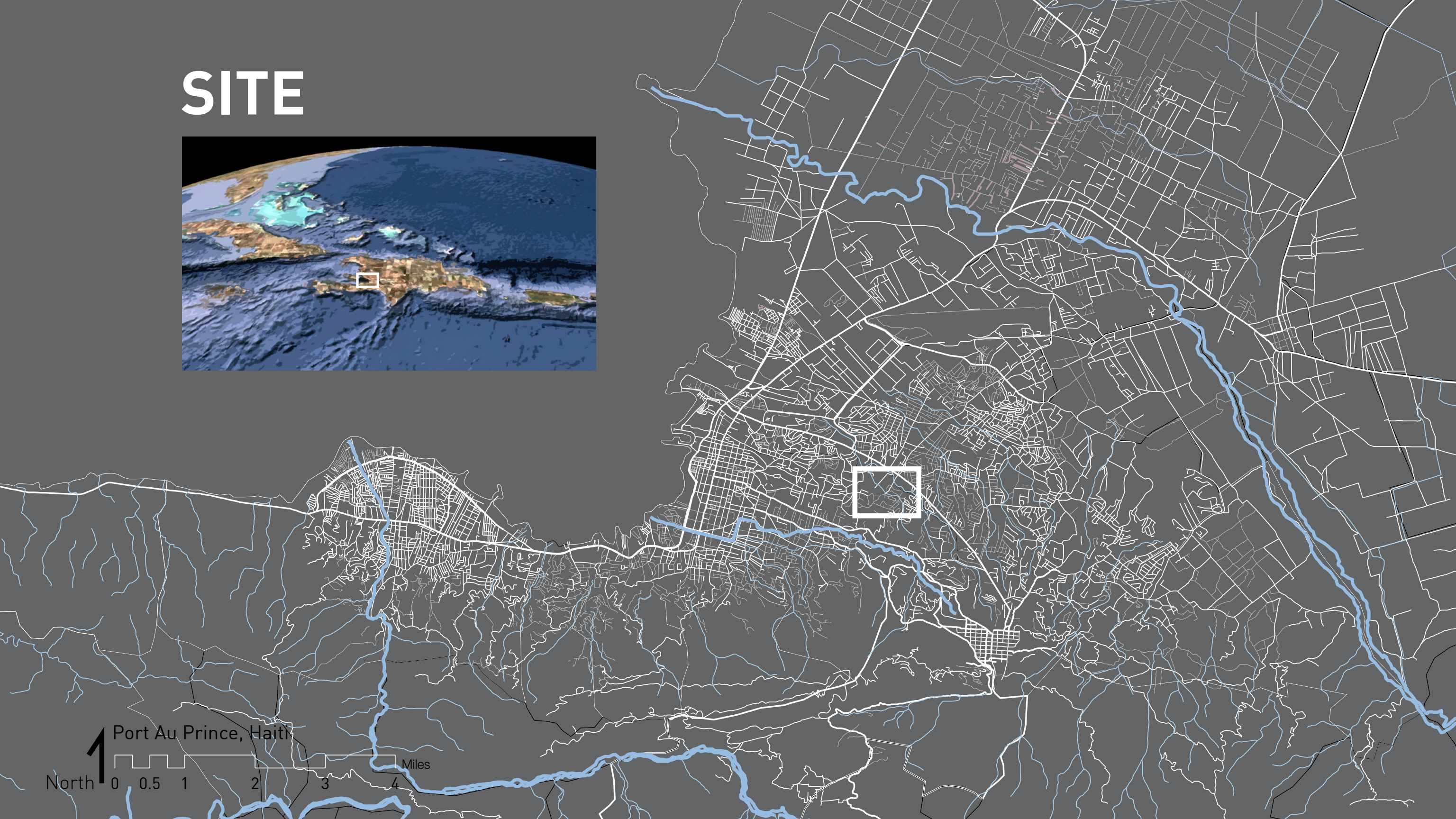
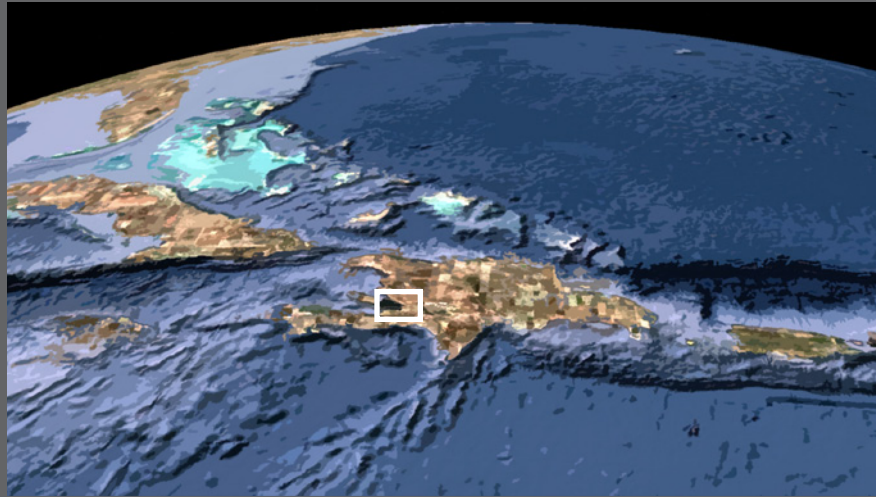
**IN CONDITIONS WHERE ACTIVE
SYSTEMS ARE UNAVAILABLE, HOW CAN
WE IMPROVE OCCUPANT COMFORT
THROUGH PASSIVE DESIGN STRATEGIES?**

An aerial photograph of a city, likely San Francisco, showing a dense urban landscape with various buildings and streets. A semi-transparent dark grey overlay covers the entire image, providing a background for the text.

PRIMARY METRICS OF INVESTIGATION

**OPERATIVE TEMPERATURE
VENTILATION
DAYLIGHT AVAILABILITY
ACCESS TO SERVICES**

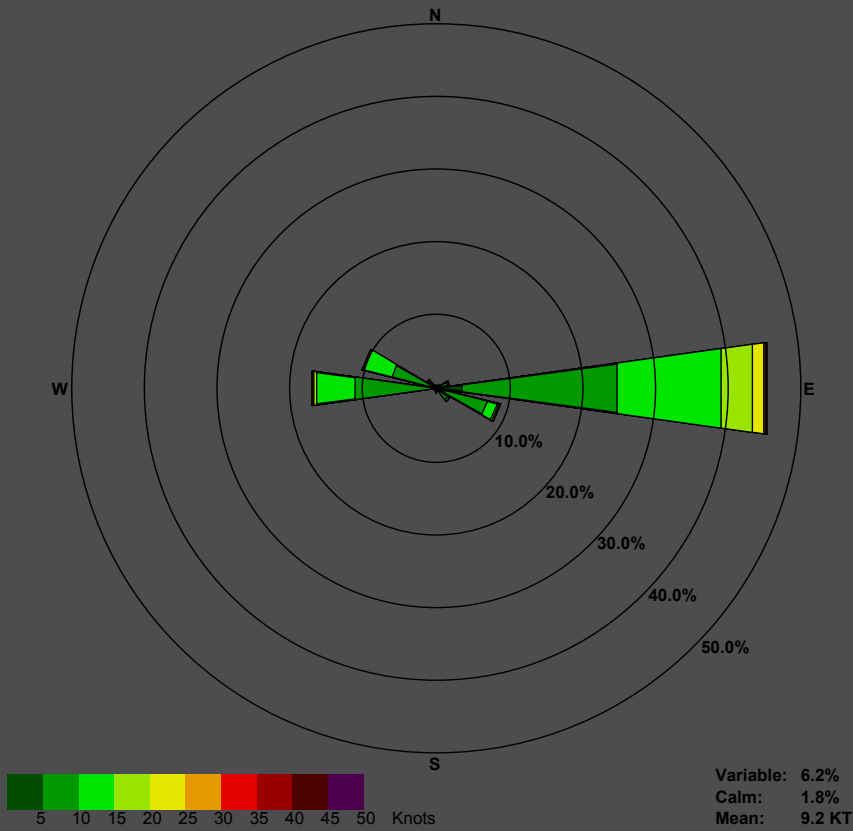
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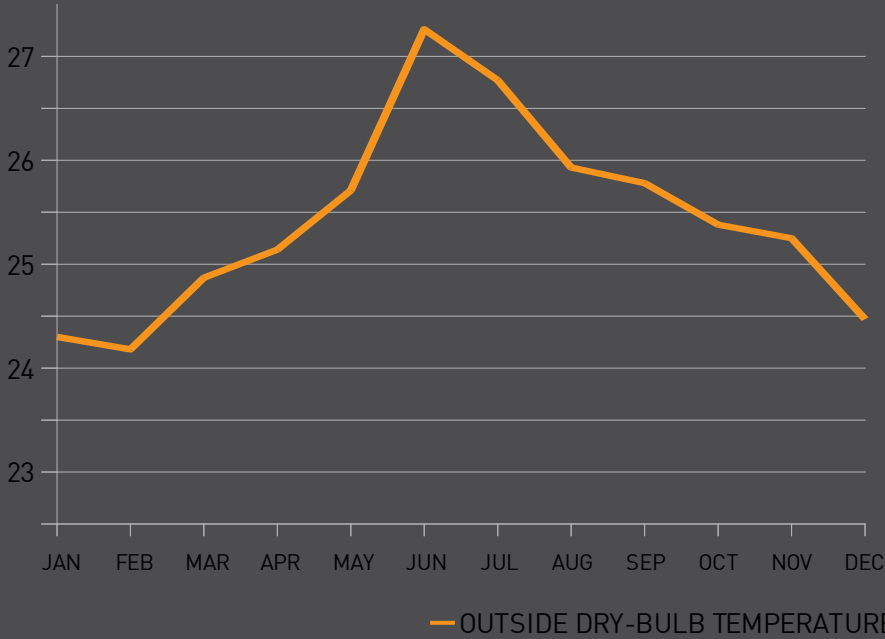
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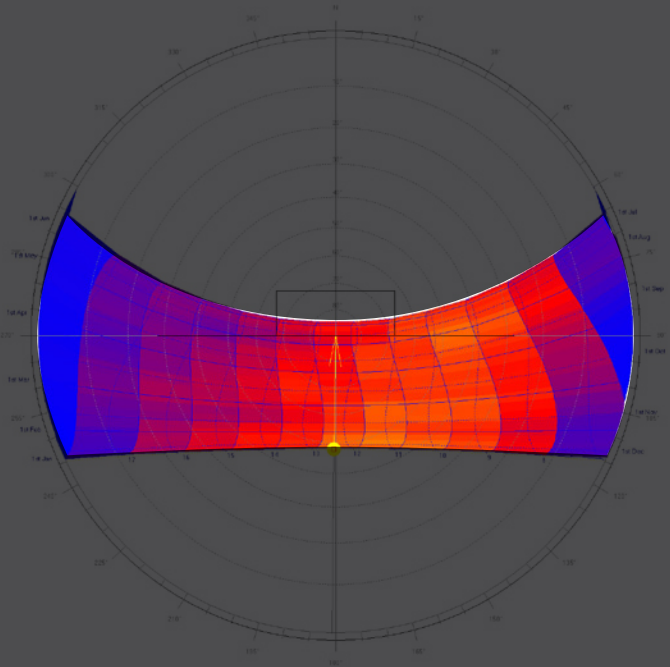
PORT-AU-PRINCE/AERO
10-year summary: 2000 - 2009



WIND



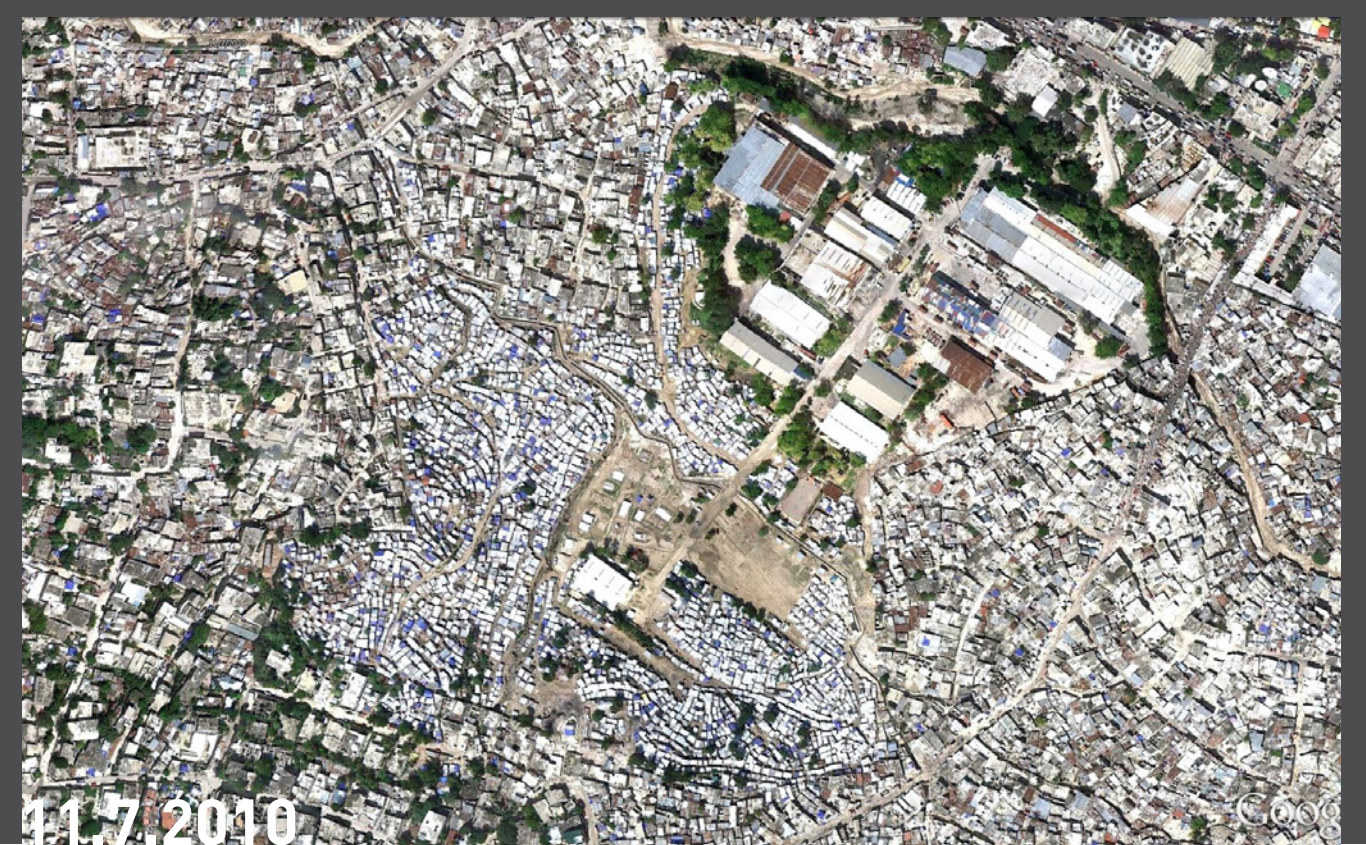
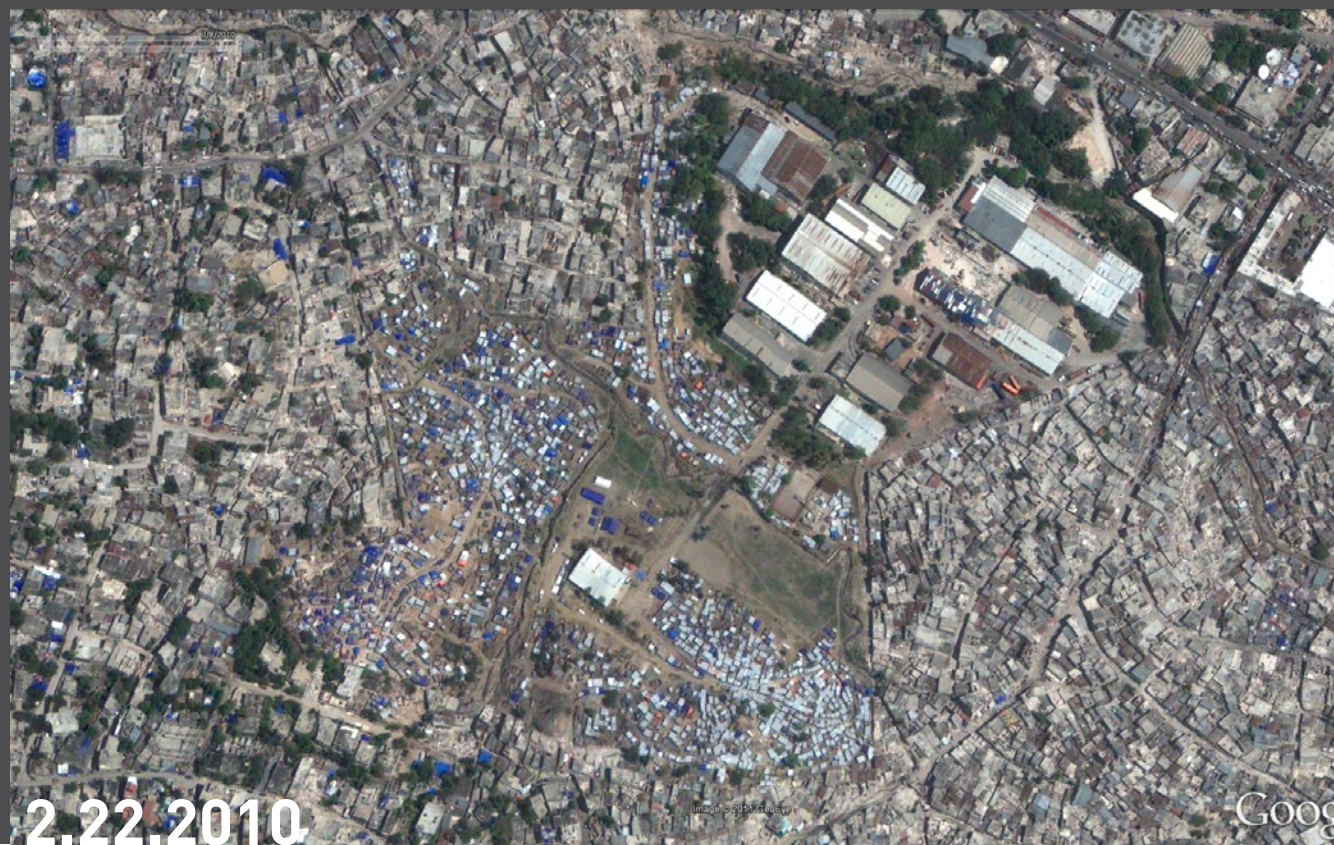
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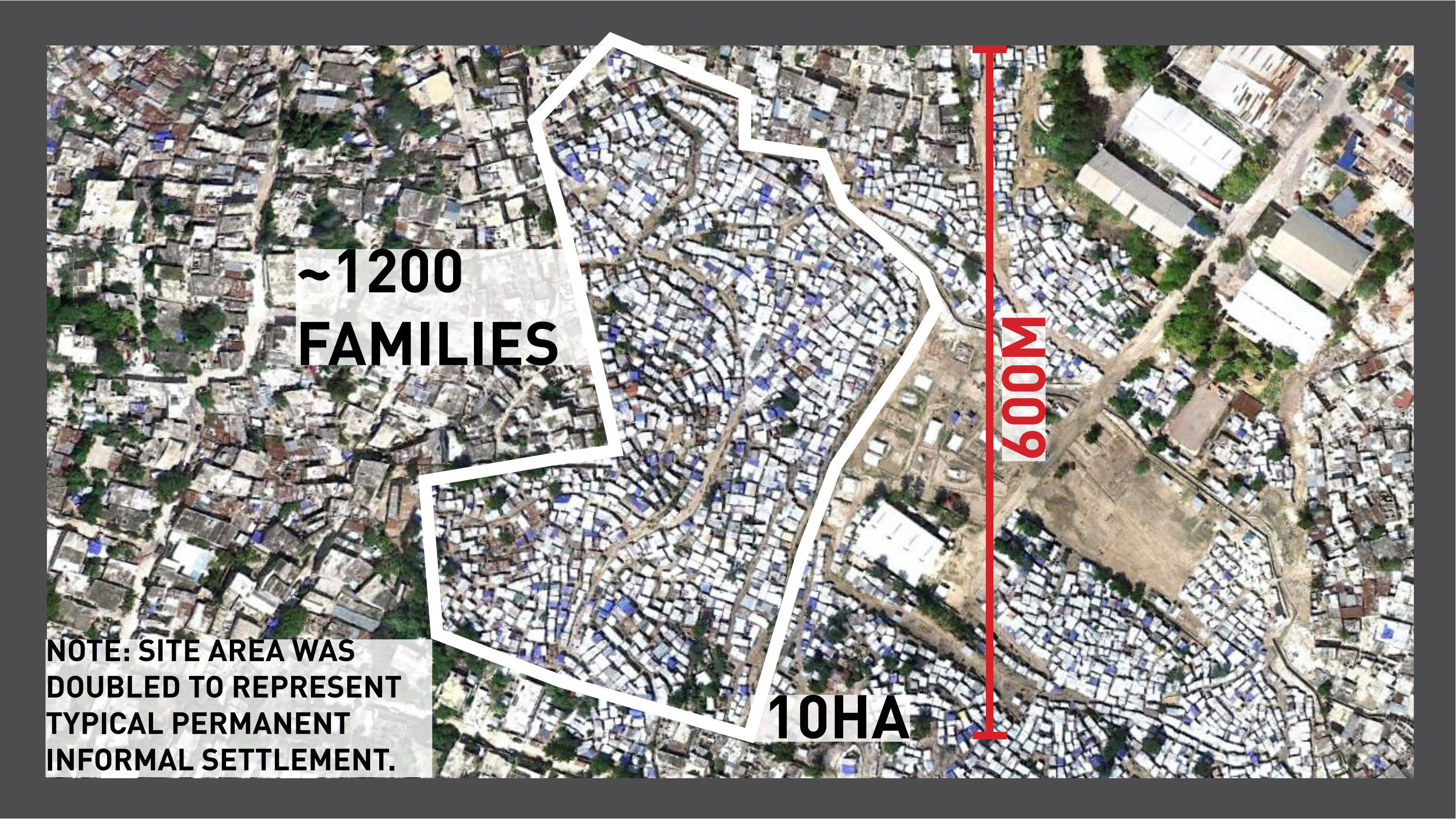


SOLAR

DELMAS 32





An aerial photograph of a dense informal settlement, likely a slum, with a white outline indicating a specific site area. A red vertical dimension line is placed to the right of the site area, indicating a width of 600M. The settlement is characterized by tightly packed, small, rectangular buildings with flat roofs, many of which are blue. The surrounding area is also densely built up, with some larger, more modern buildings visible in the upper right. The overall scene is one of extreme urban density.

**~1200
FAMILIES**

**NOTE: SITE AREA WAS
DOUBLED TO REPRESENT
TYPICAL PERMANENT
INFORMAL SETTLEMENT.**

10HA

600M

A diagram of a dense urban area, possibly a slum, represented by a cluster of small, irregular orange and yellow rectangles. A network of grey lines, representing roads, weaves through the buildings. A dashed red line outlines the perimeter of the area. A solid blue line runs along the right side, possibly representing a river or a boundary. Four white arrows point from text labels on the right to specific features within the diagram.

ACCESS TO LIGHT + AIR INCREASINGLY LIMITED

NO SPACE FOR WATER

ROAD NETWORK
UNRESPECTED / BUILT INTO

INABILITY TO PROVIDE
INFRASTRUCTURAL SERVICES

SIMPLIFICATIONS FOR ANALYSIS:

NO TOPOGRAPHY

TENT CAMP SCALED 2X

INFORMAL

NO BUILDING HEIGHT VARIATIONS

NO BUILDINGS TOUCH

SOME EXCESS SPACE BETWEEN HOUSES

INCREMENTAL

2 STORY MAX

NO ROOFS OR WINDOWS

NO PRIVACY WALLS

3 SCALES OF ANALYSIS:

UNIT

PROTO-BLOCK

URBAN ZONE

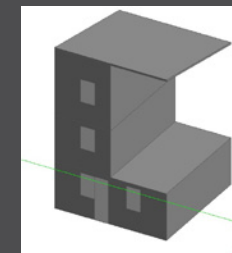
UNIT



**ROOF HEIGHT, VENT
AND OVERHANG MAKE
THIS HOUSE VERY
COMFORTABLE.**



TSC GLOBAL HOUSE



ELEMENTAL

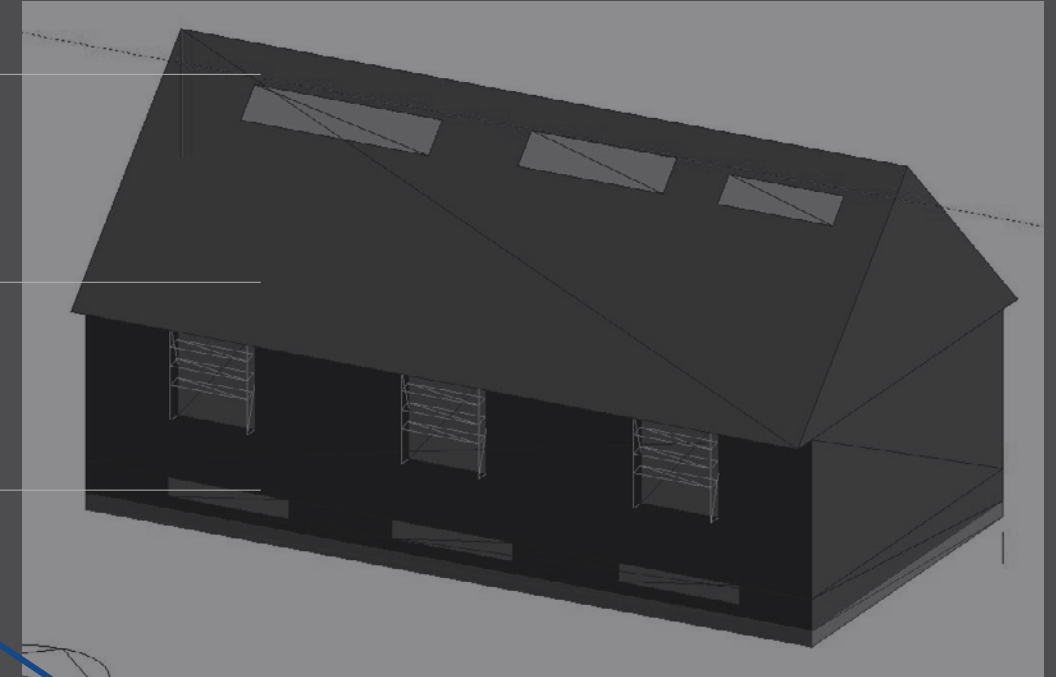
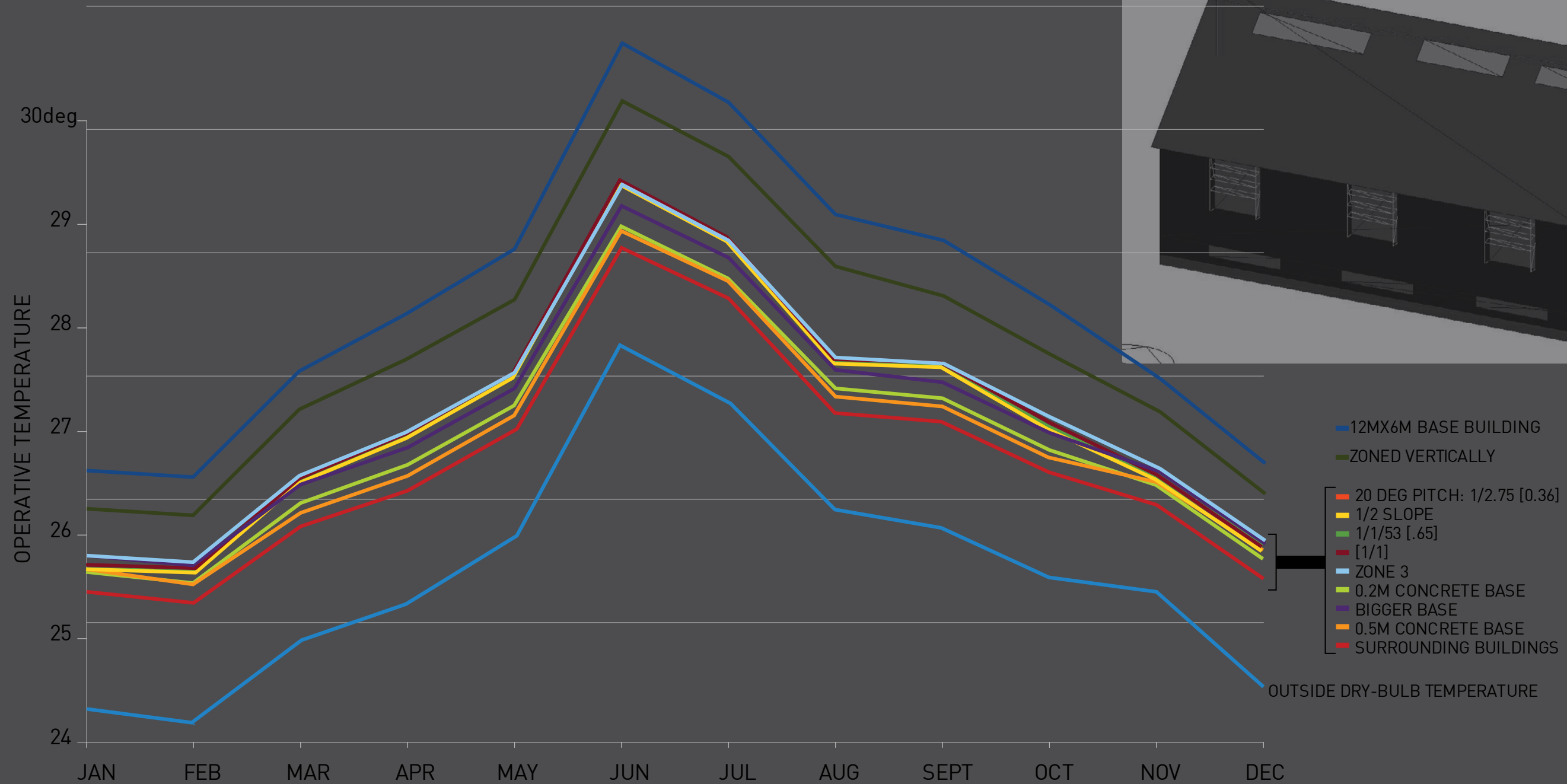


**GUIDED INCREMENTAL
CONSTRUCTION
ALLOWS DESIGNERS
TO ASSIST IN PROCESS
OF OVER TIME.**

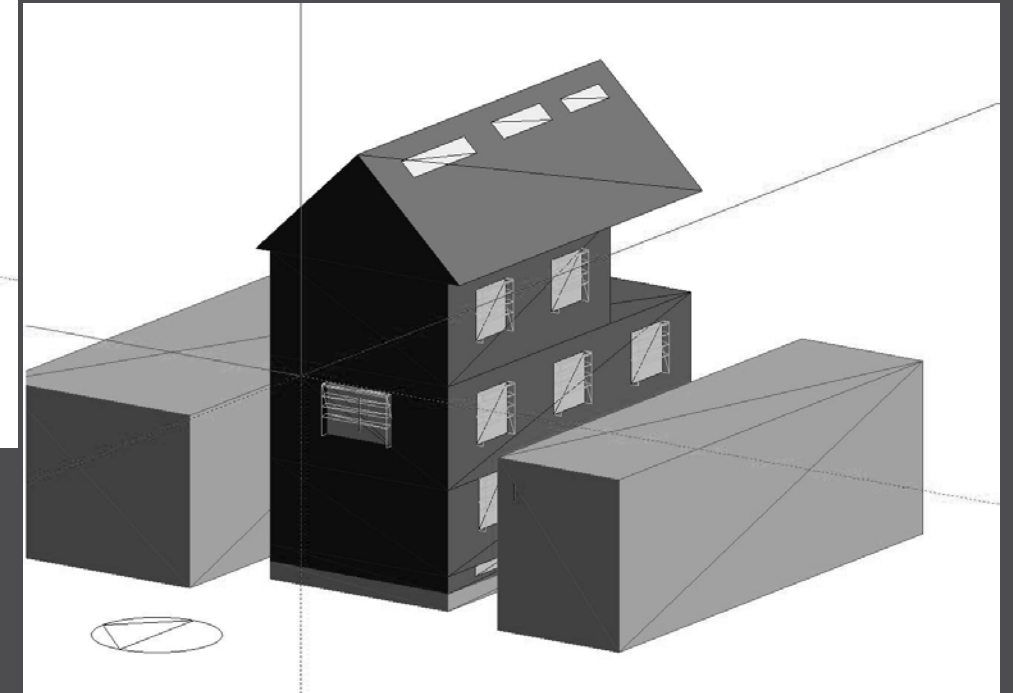
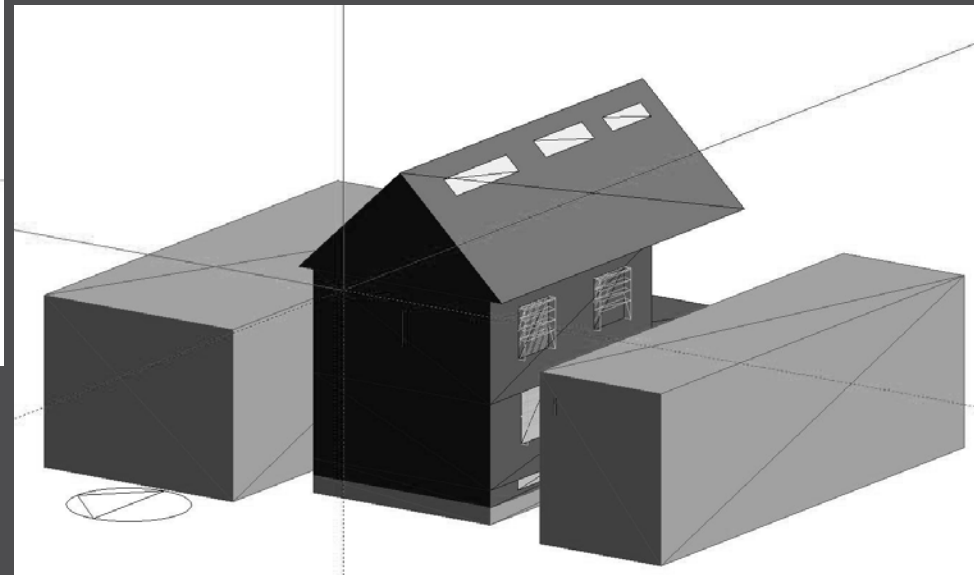
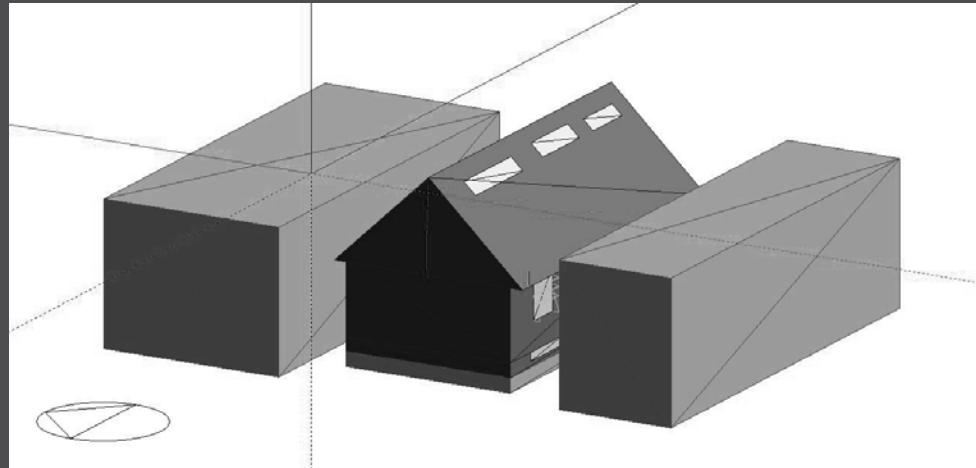
Quinta Monroy residential development [Chile]



BASE MODEL OPTIMIZATION

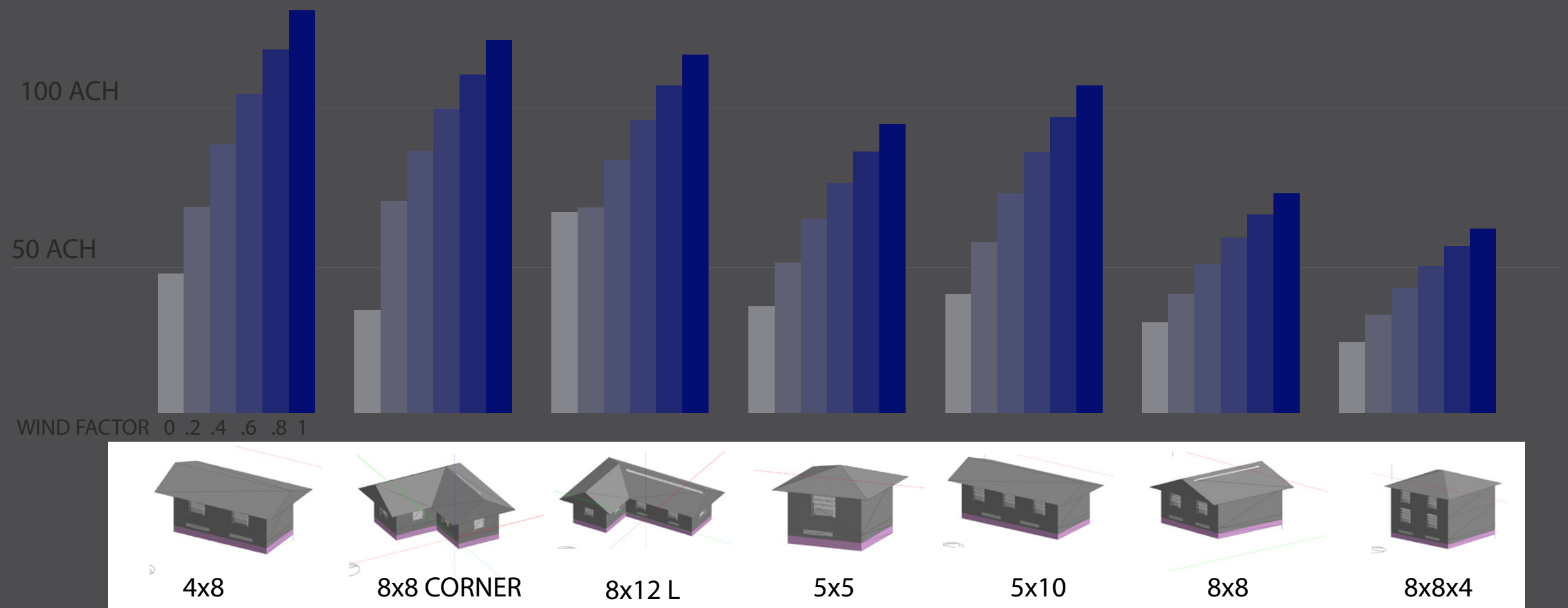


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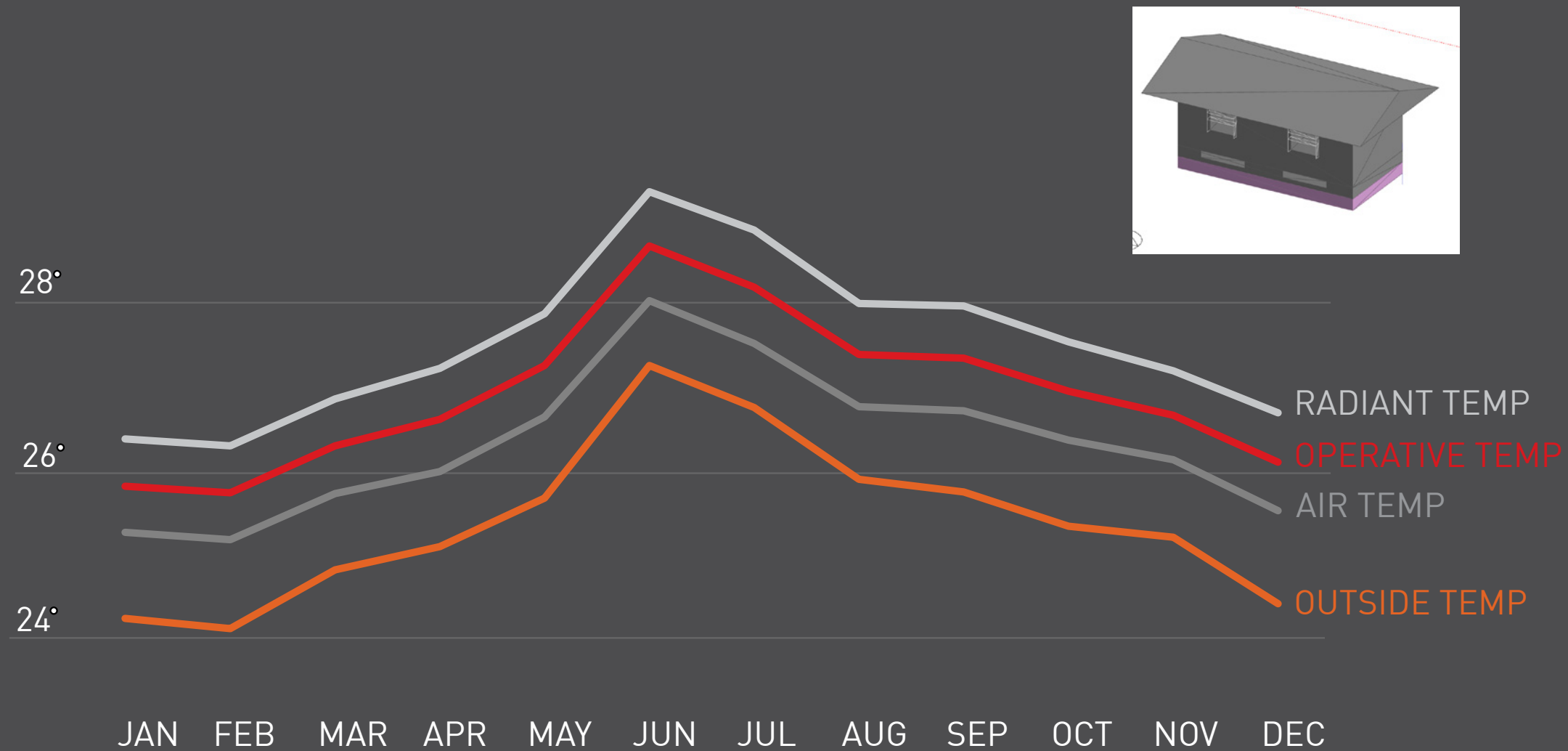


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ACH / WIND FACTOR / BUILDING TYPE

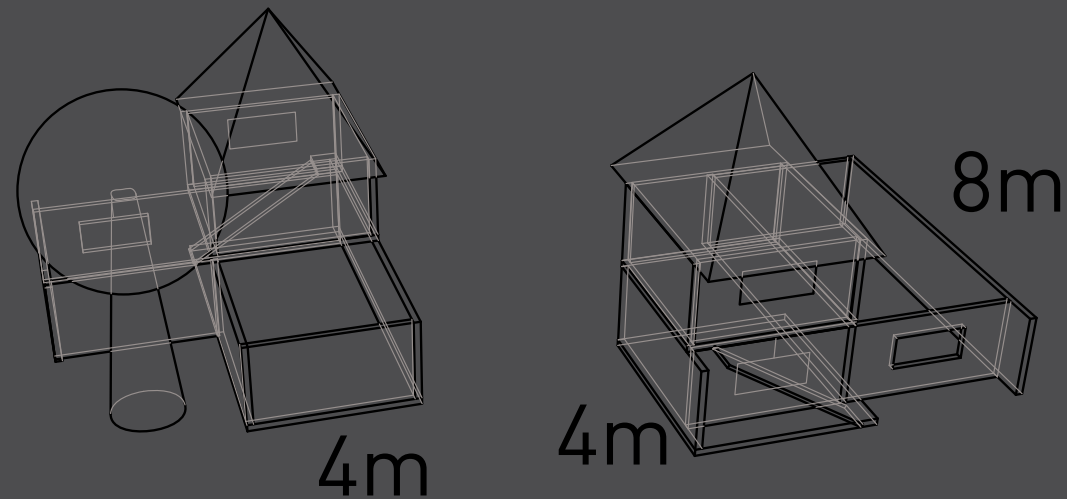


[DB] OPERATIVE TEMP VS OUTSIDE TEMP



PROTO-BLOCK

INCREMENTAL HOUSING



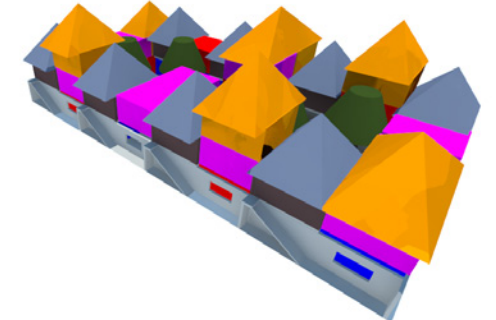
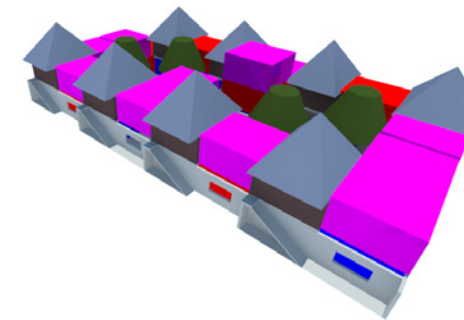
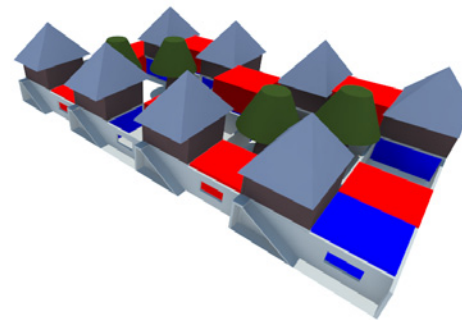
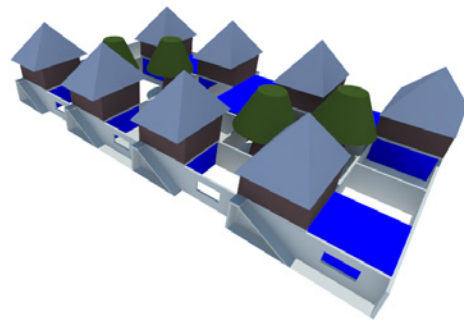
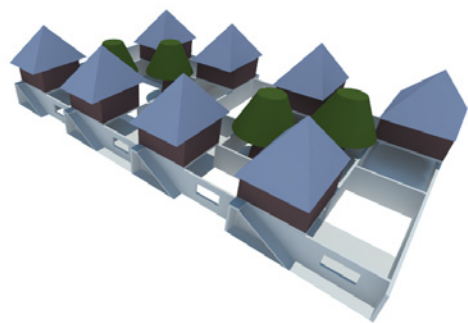
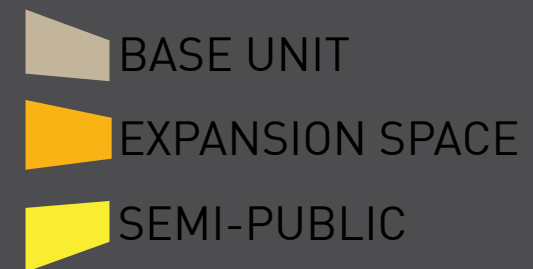
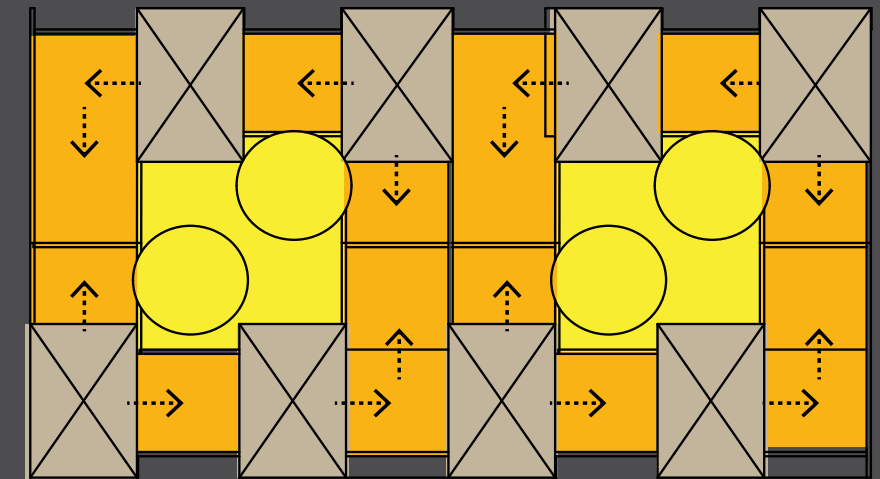
L BLOCK

One module: 16m^2

1 family: $32\text{-}48\text{m}^2$

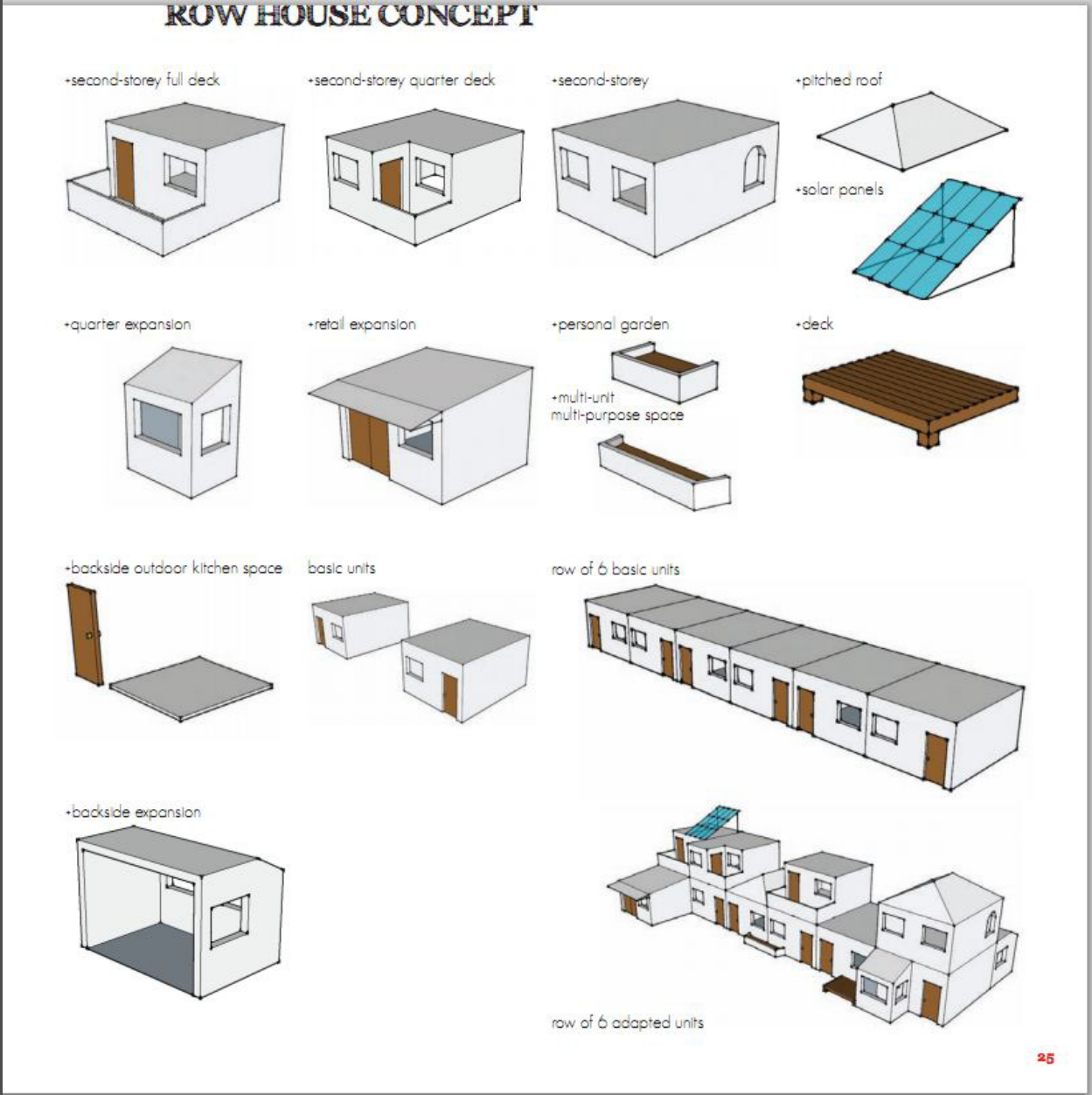
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Public Space: 64m^2

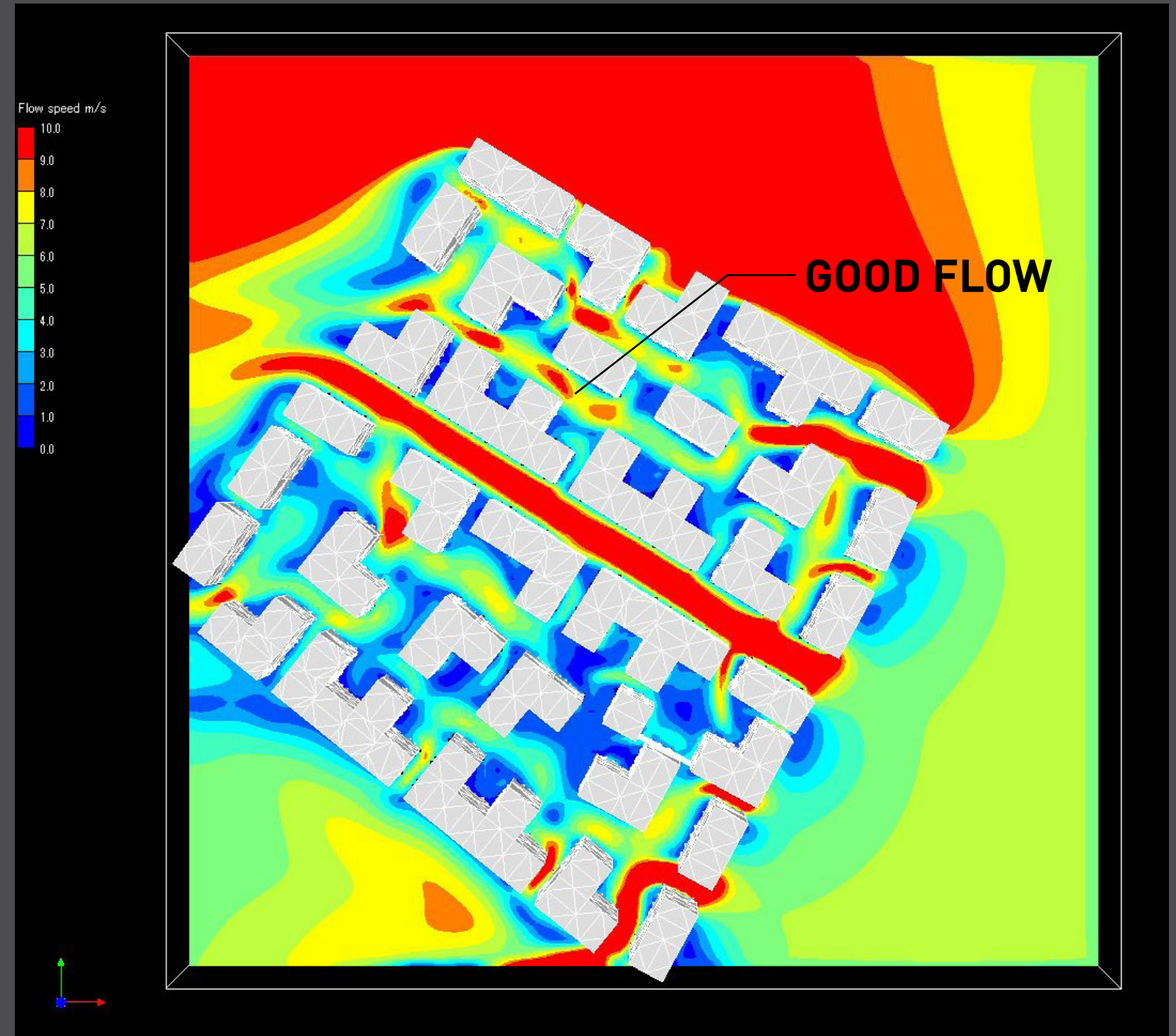
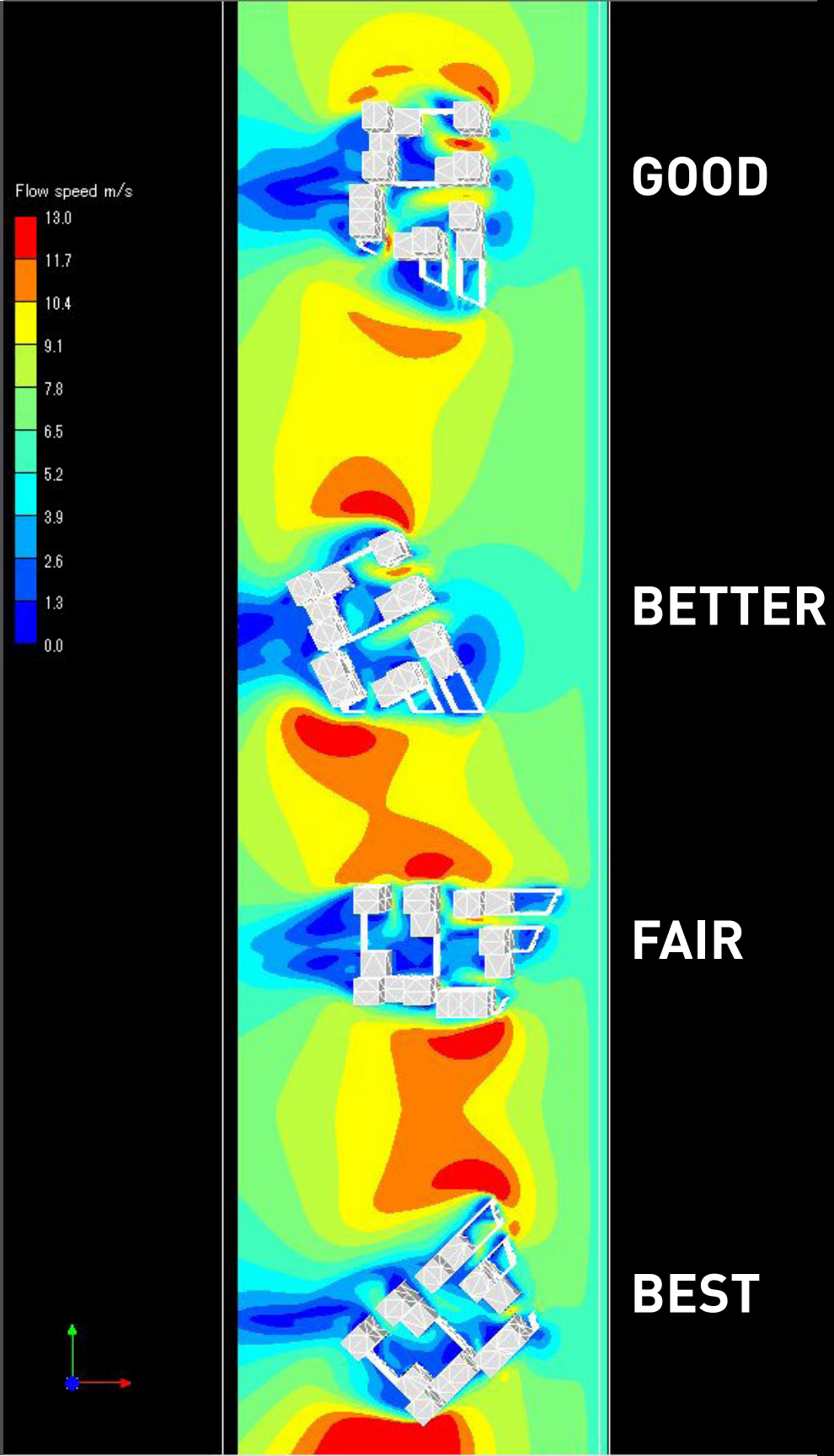




ARCHITECTURE FOR HUMANITY + CORDAID



UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA



DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

- + MAINTAIN SPACE BETWEEN BUILDINGS: 4M MODULE
- + 20% WWR
- + ROOFS ADD BOYANCY FOR VENTILATION



URBAN ZONE

~400
FAMILIES



~700
FAMILIES

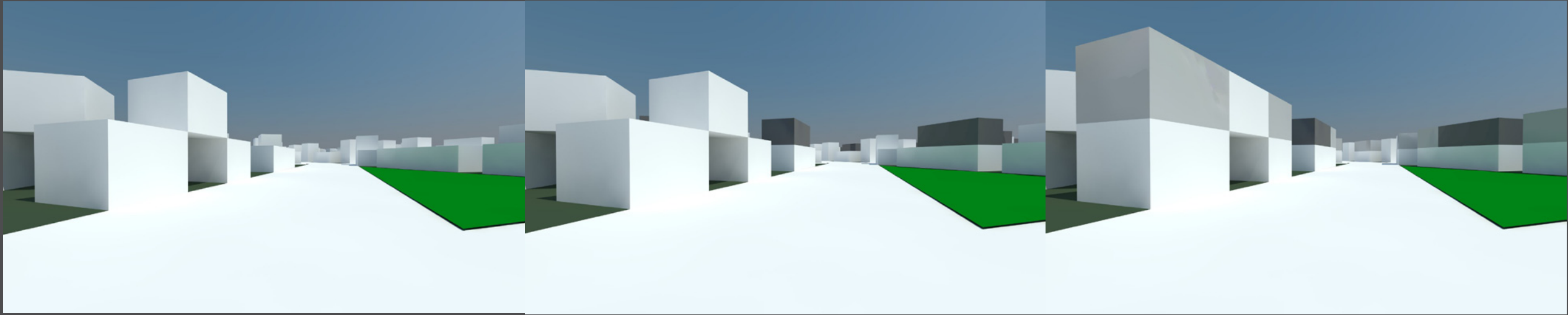


~1000 FAMILIES

[INFORMAL SETTLEMENT

~1200 FAMILIES]



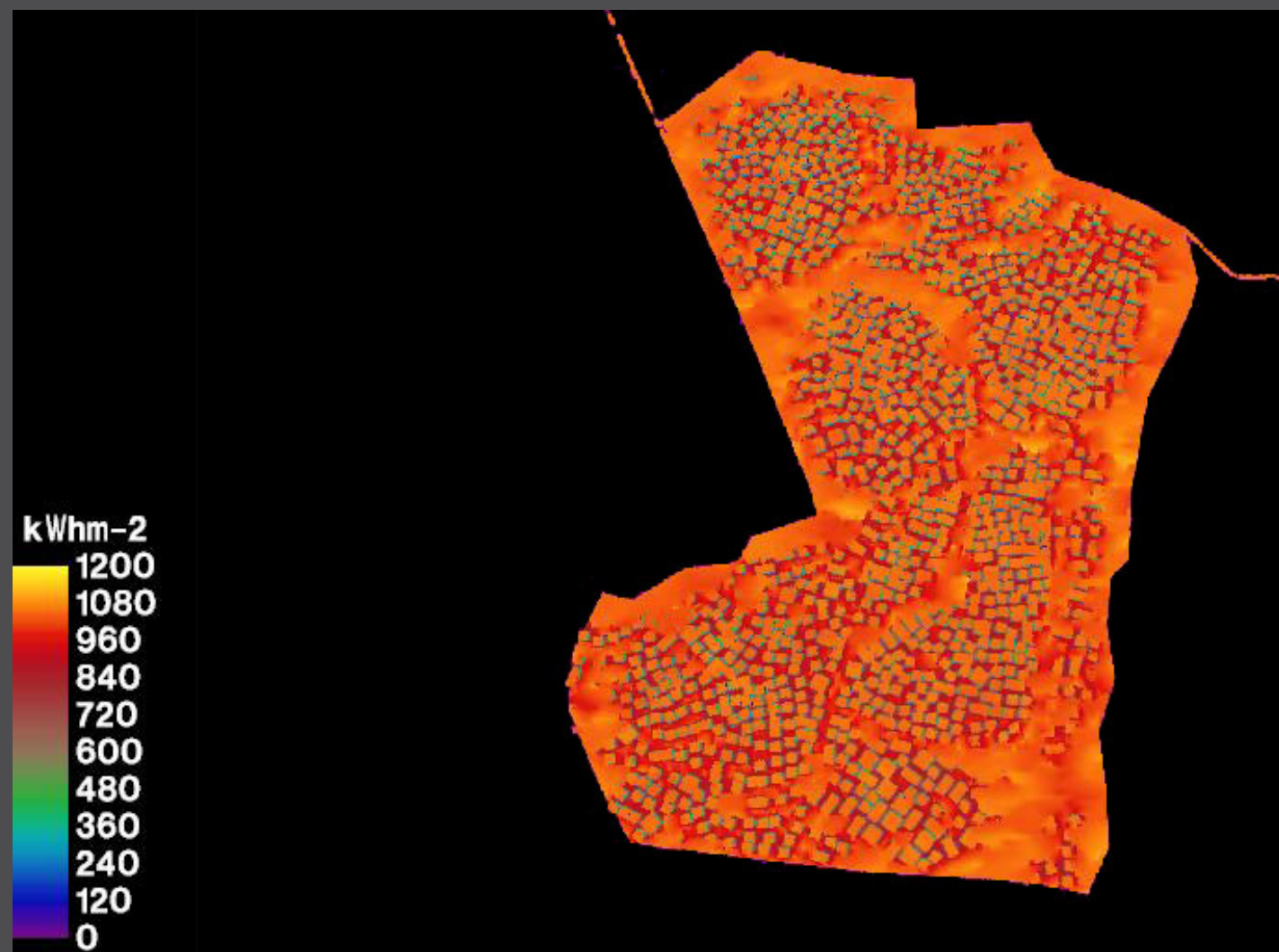




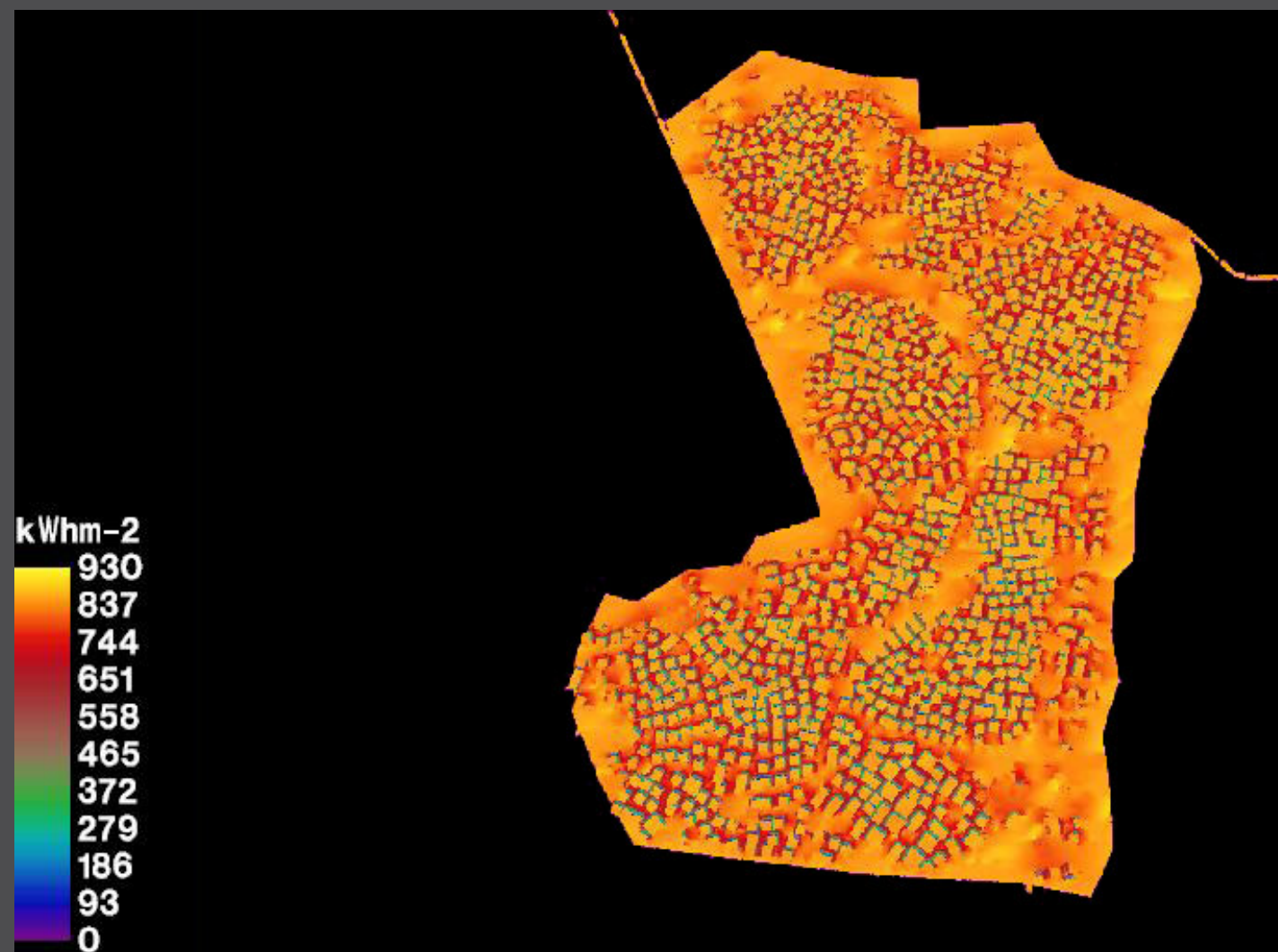


DAYLIGHT





SUMMER

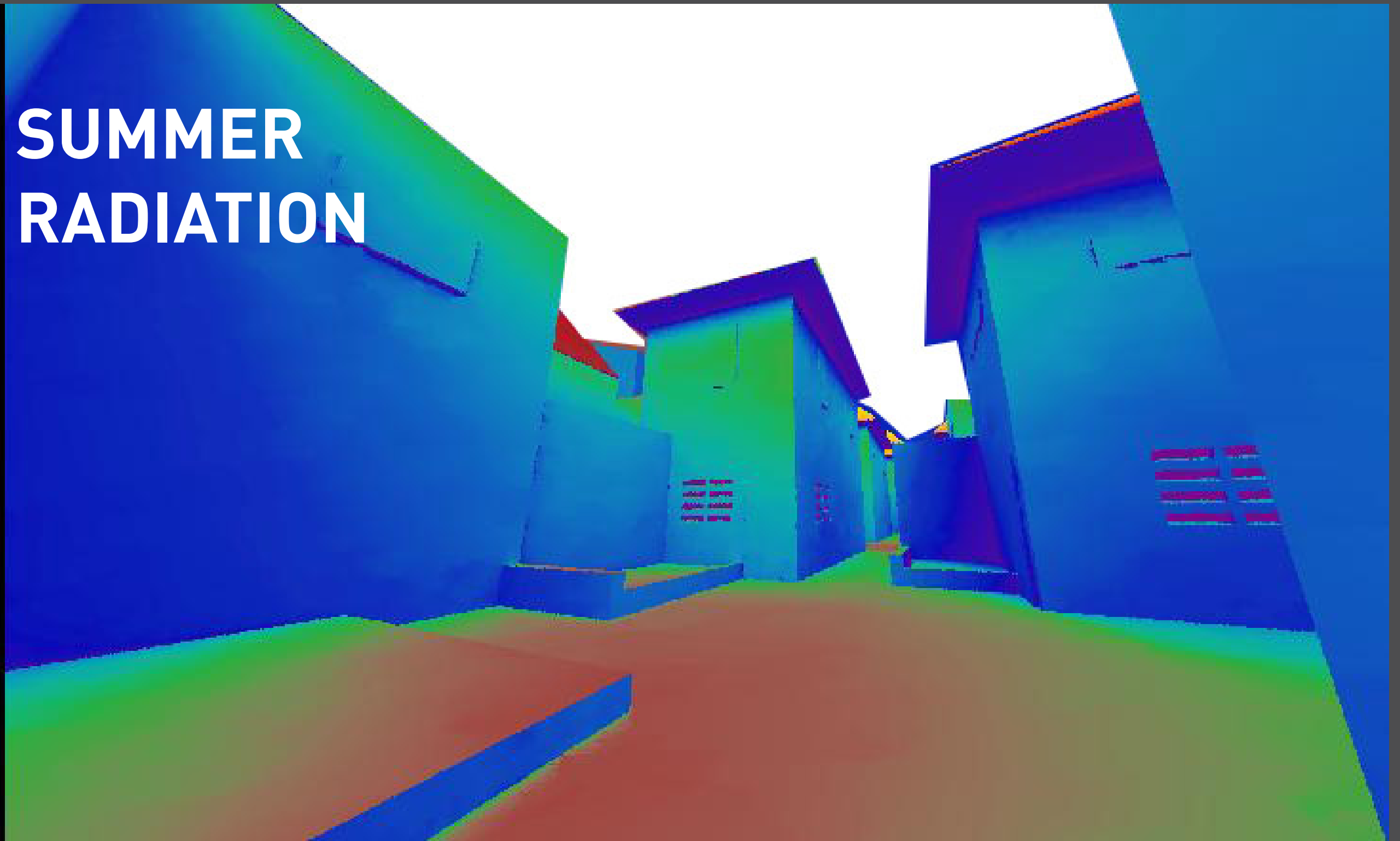


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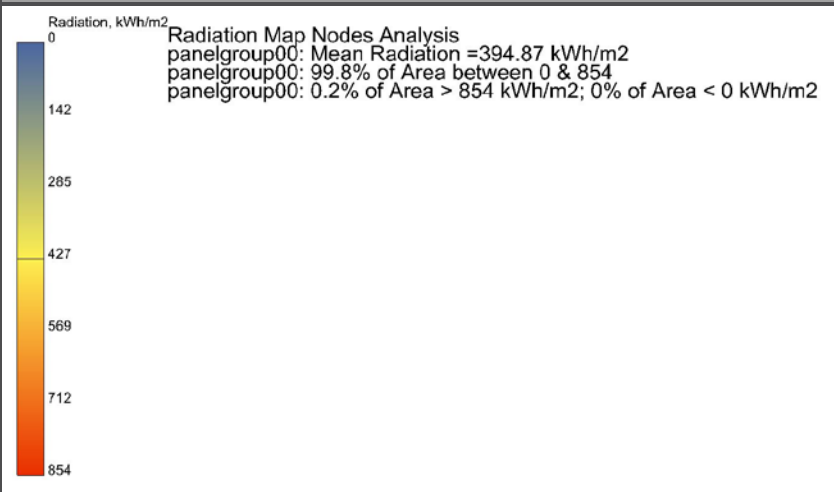
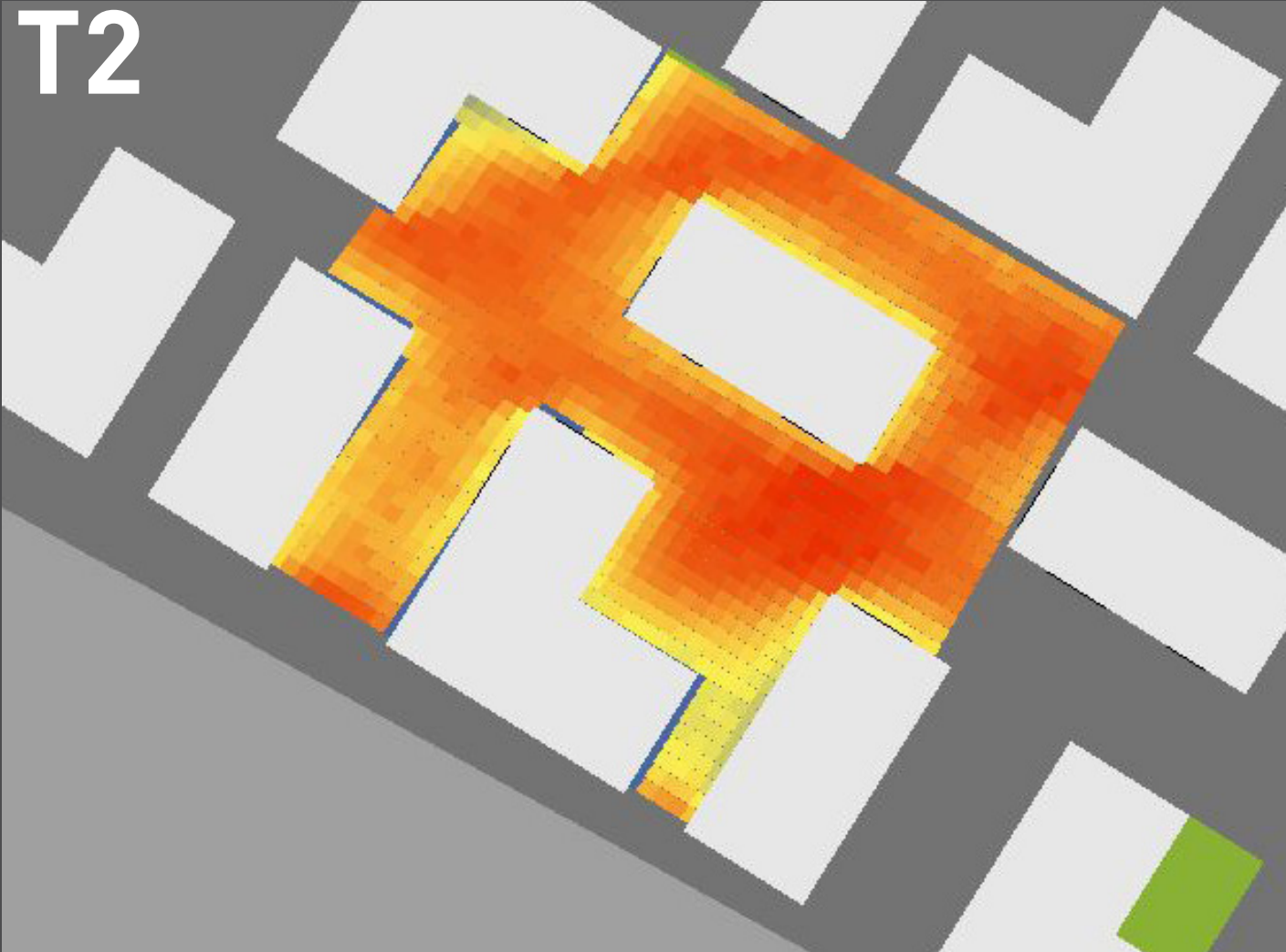
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kWhm⁻²

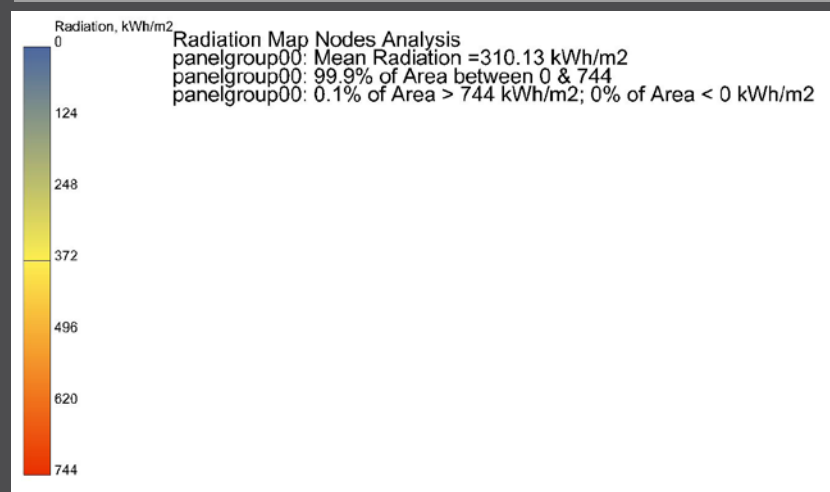
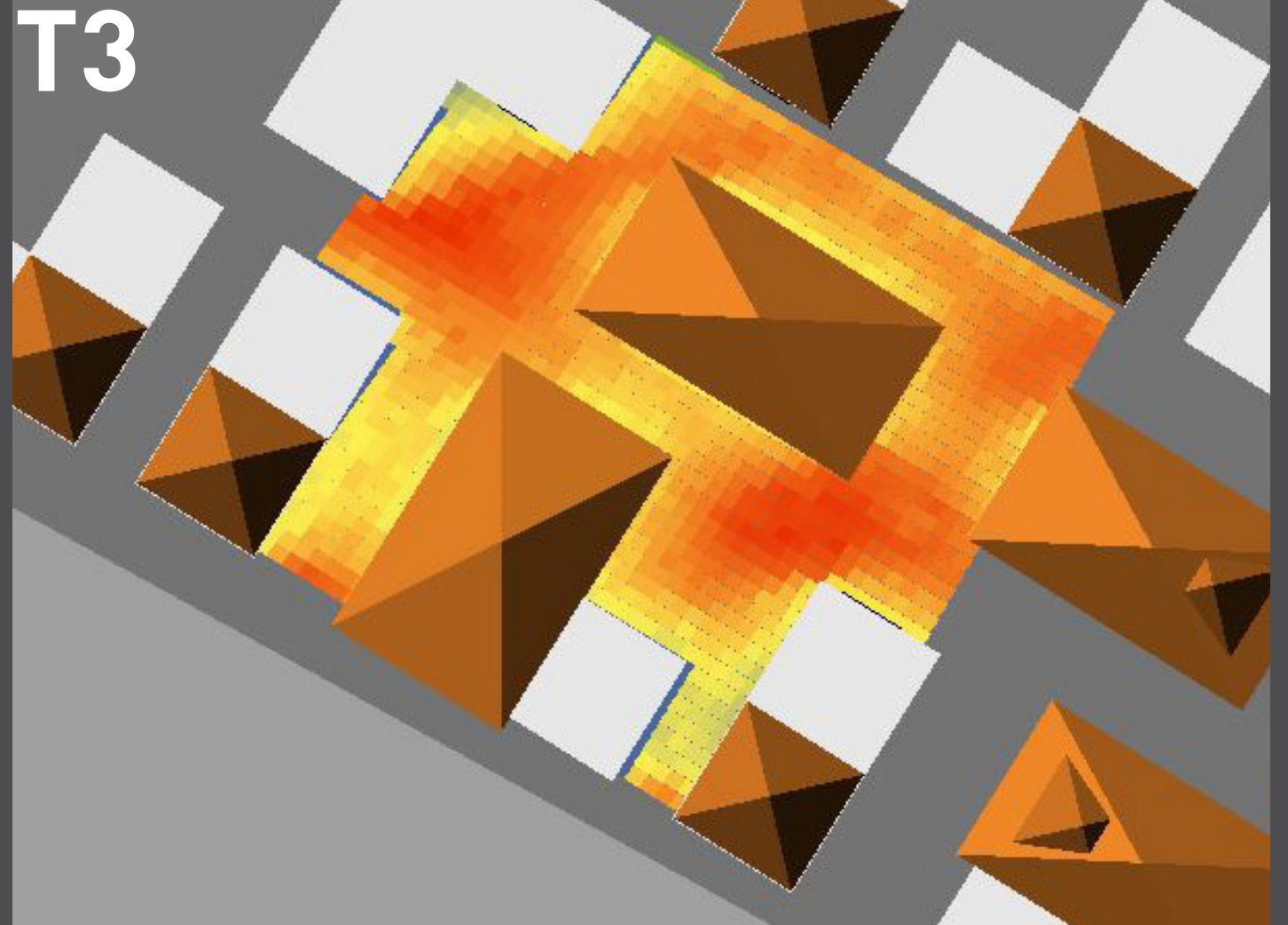
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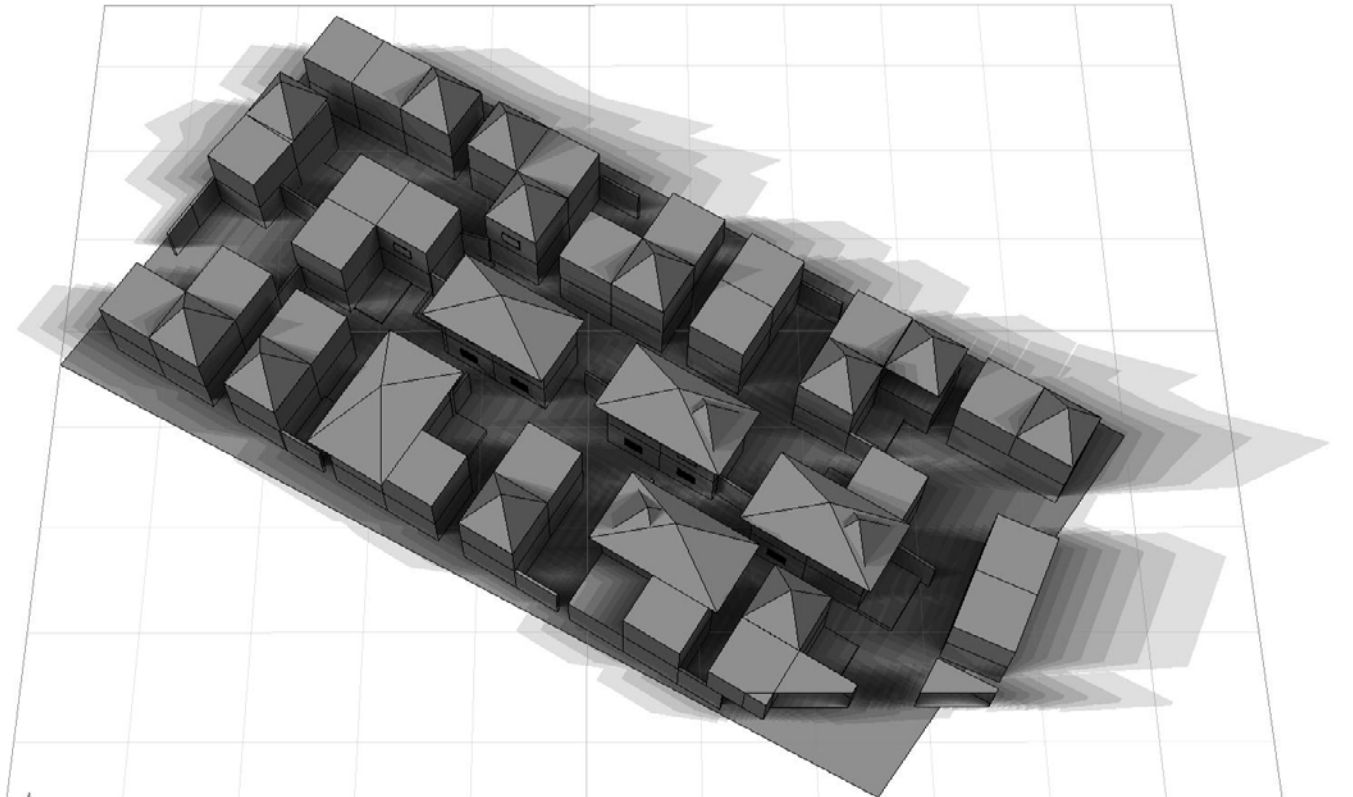
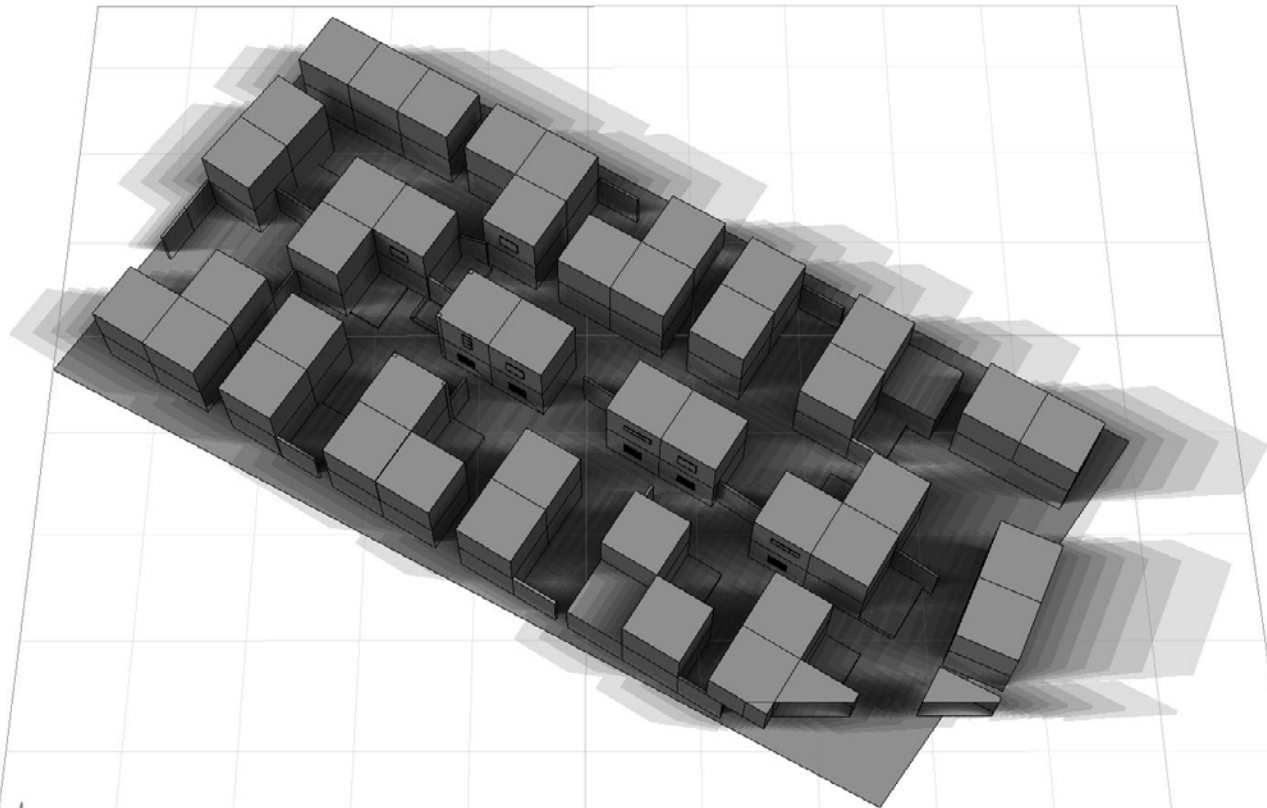
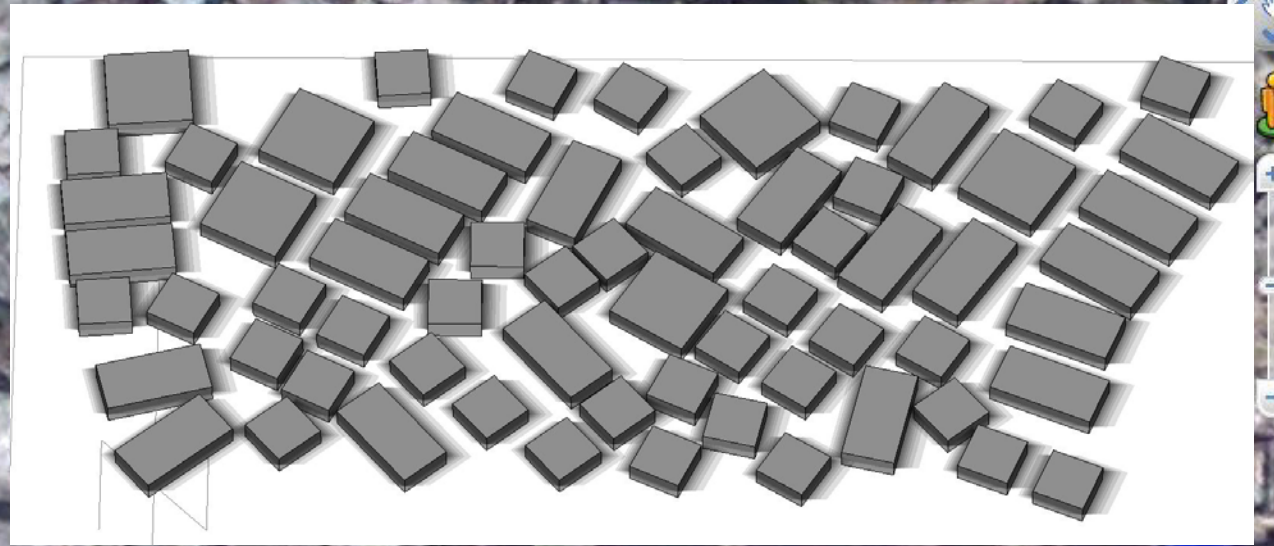
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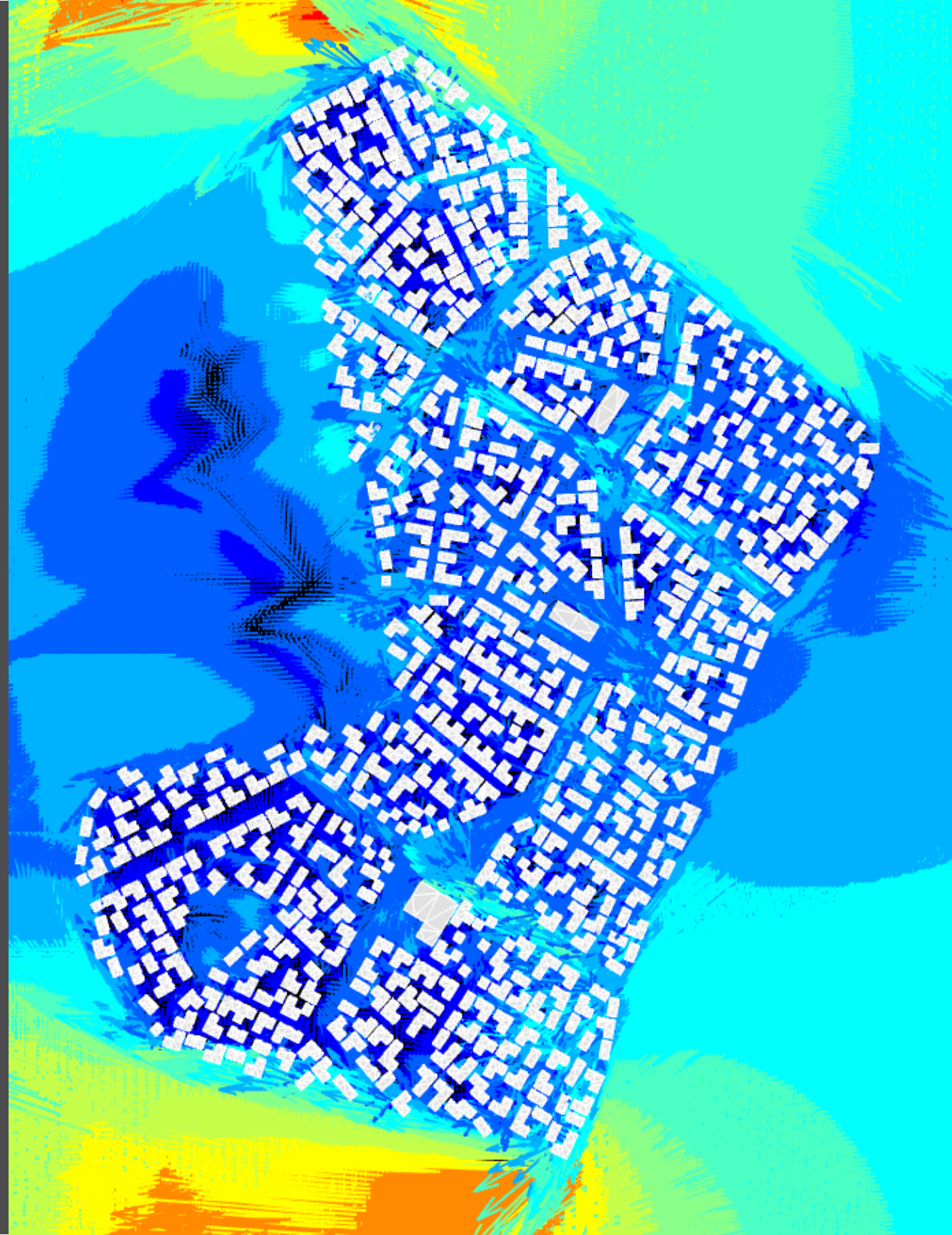
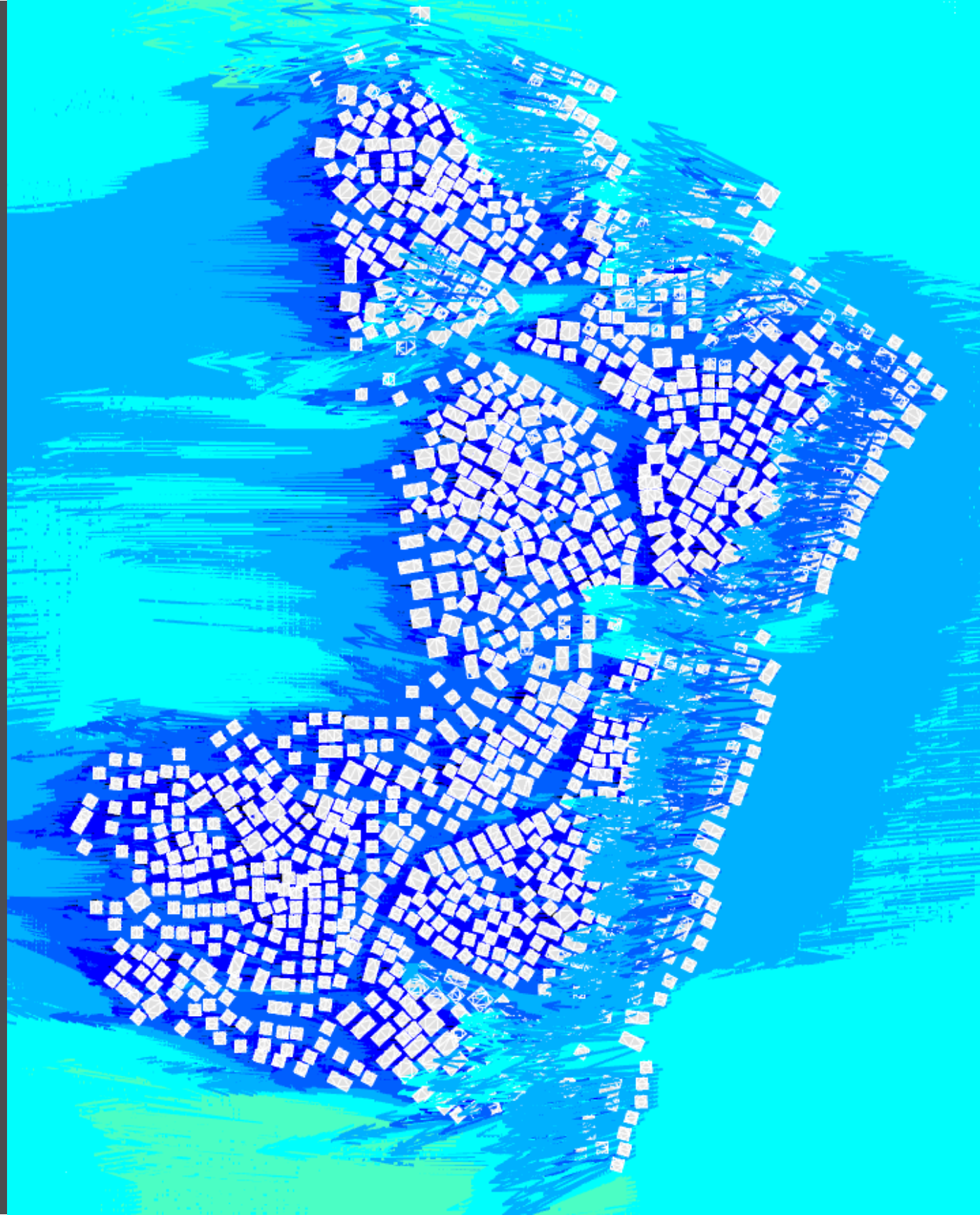
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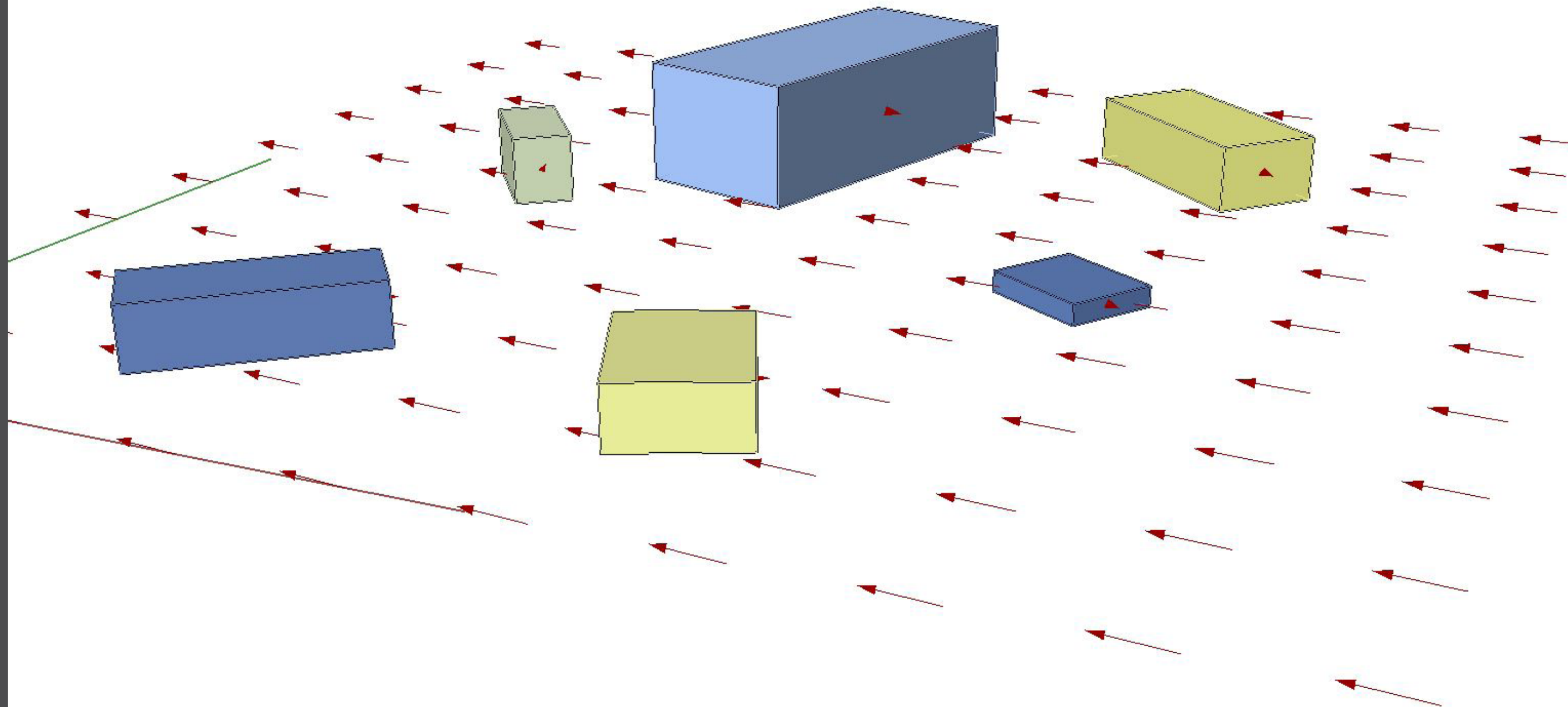
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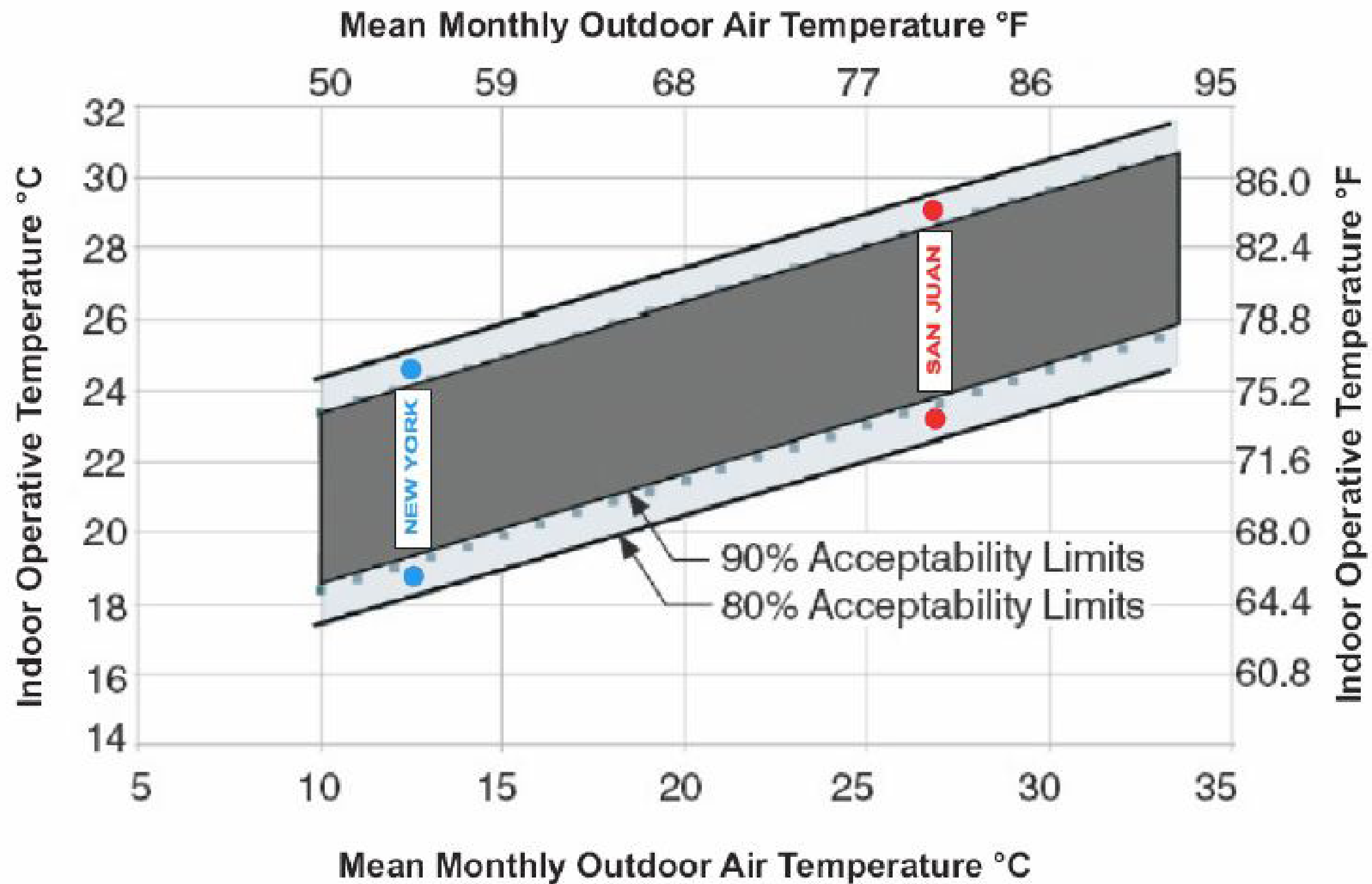
WIND / VENTILATION



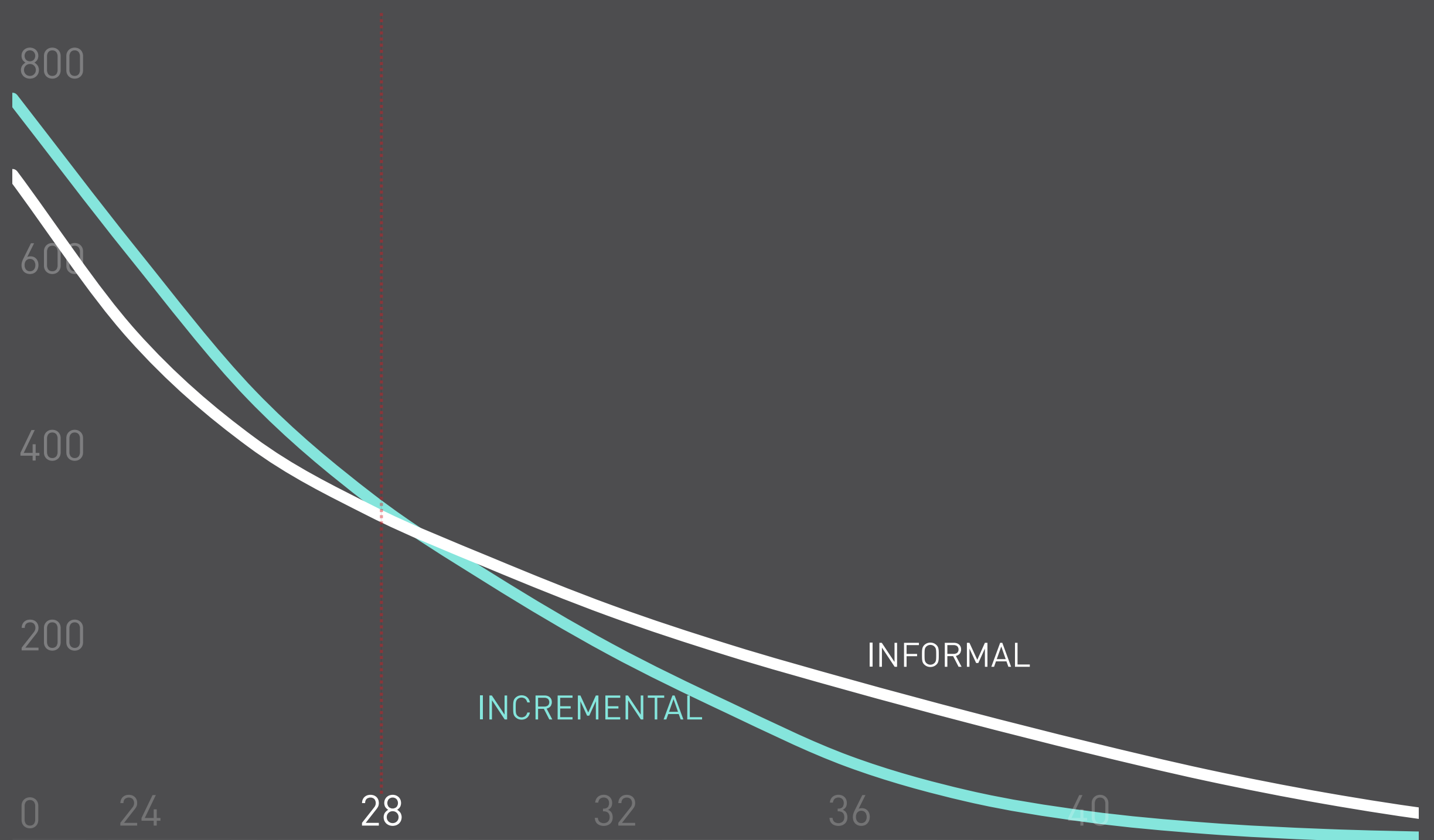
WIND VECTOR GRASSHOPPER ANALYSIS



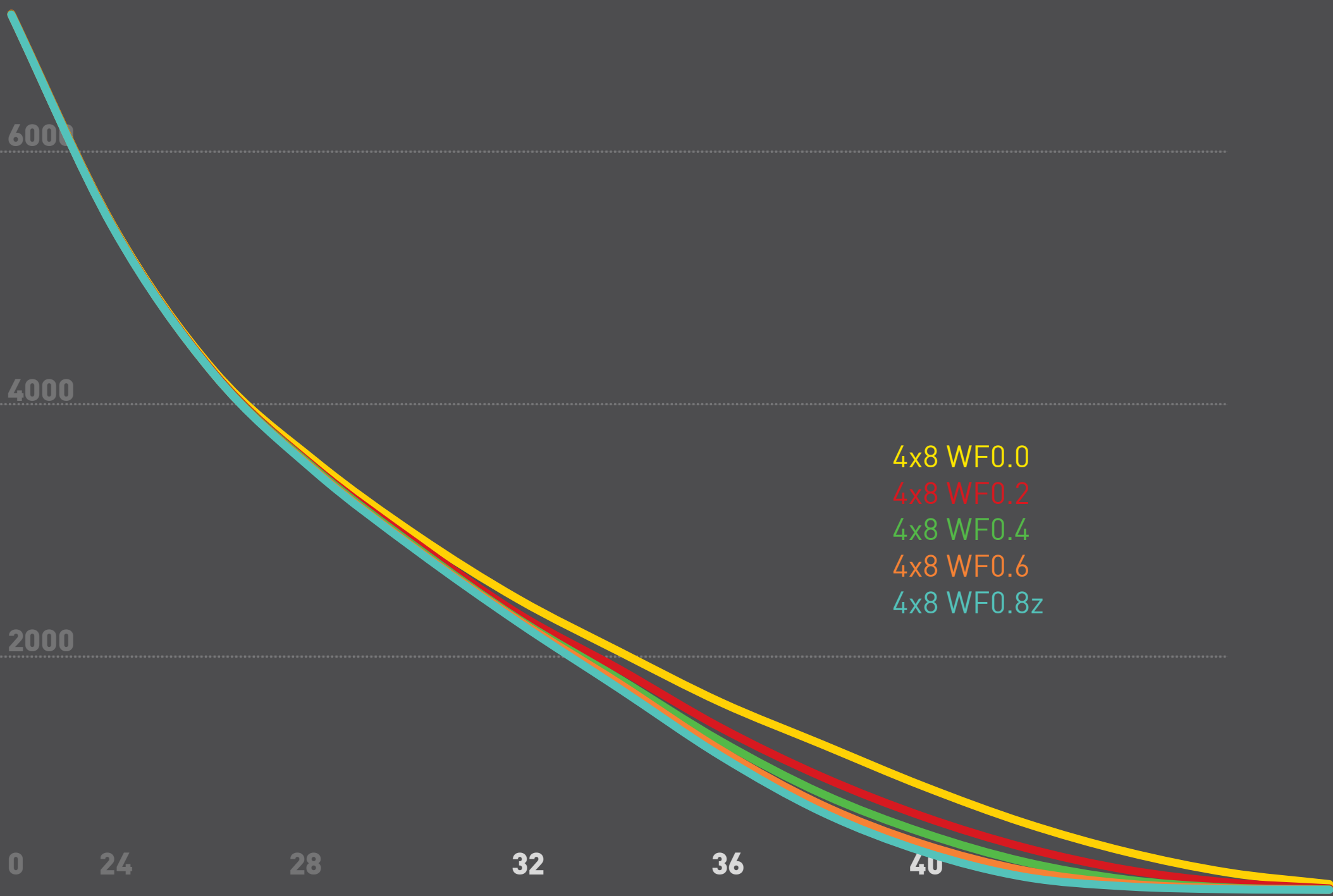
THERMAL COMFORT



CUMULATIVE HOURS AT OR BELOW TEMPERATURE (C)

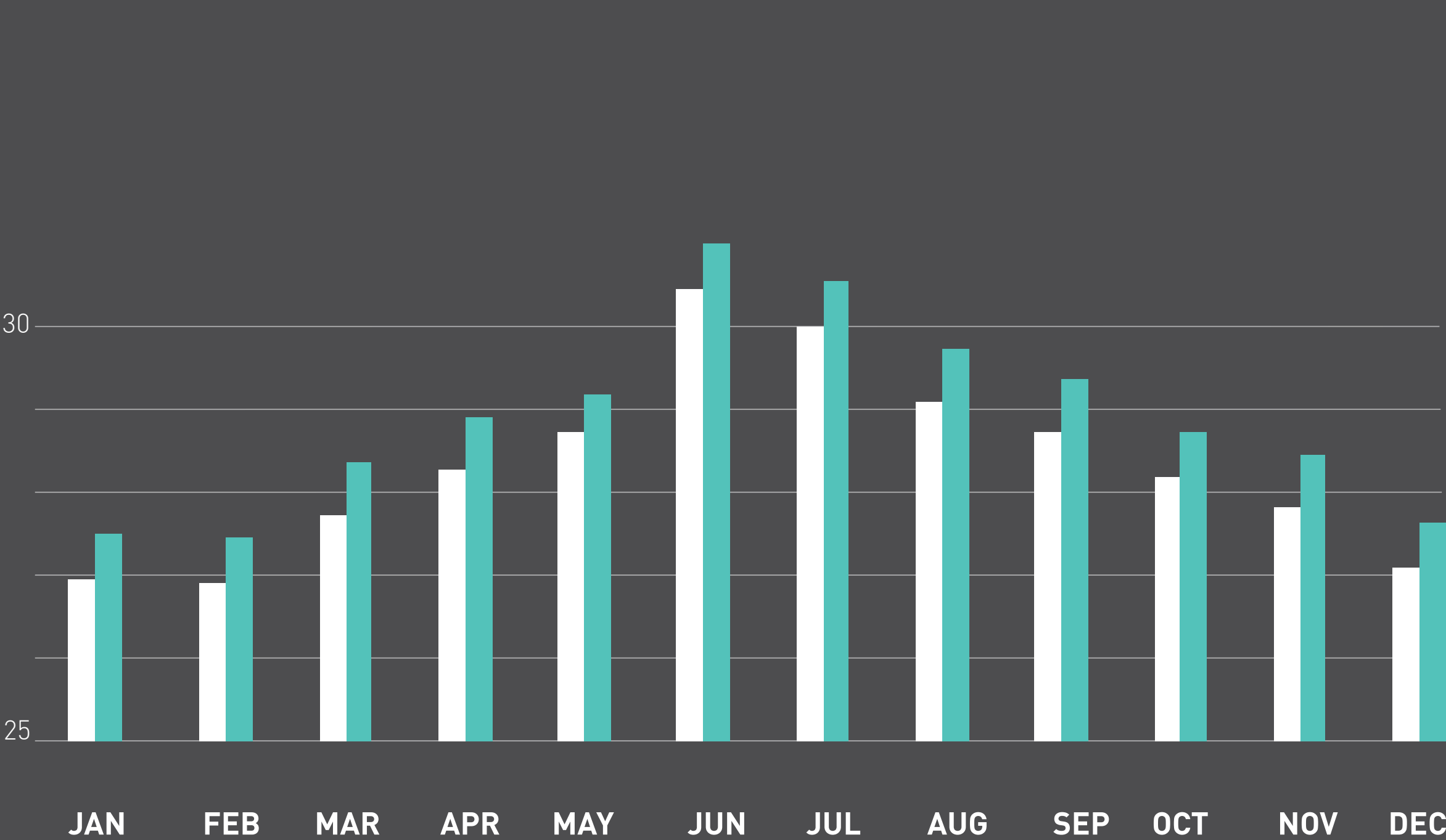


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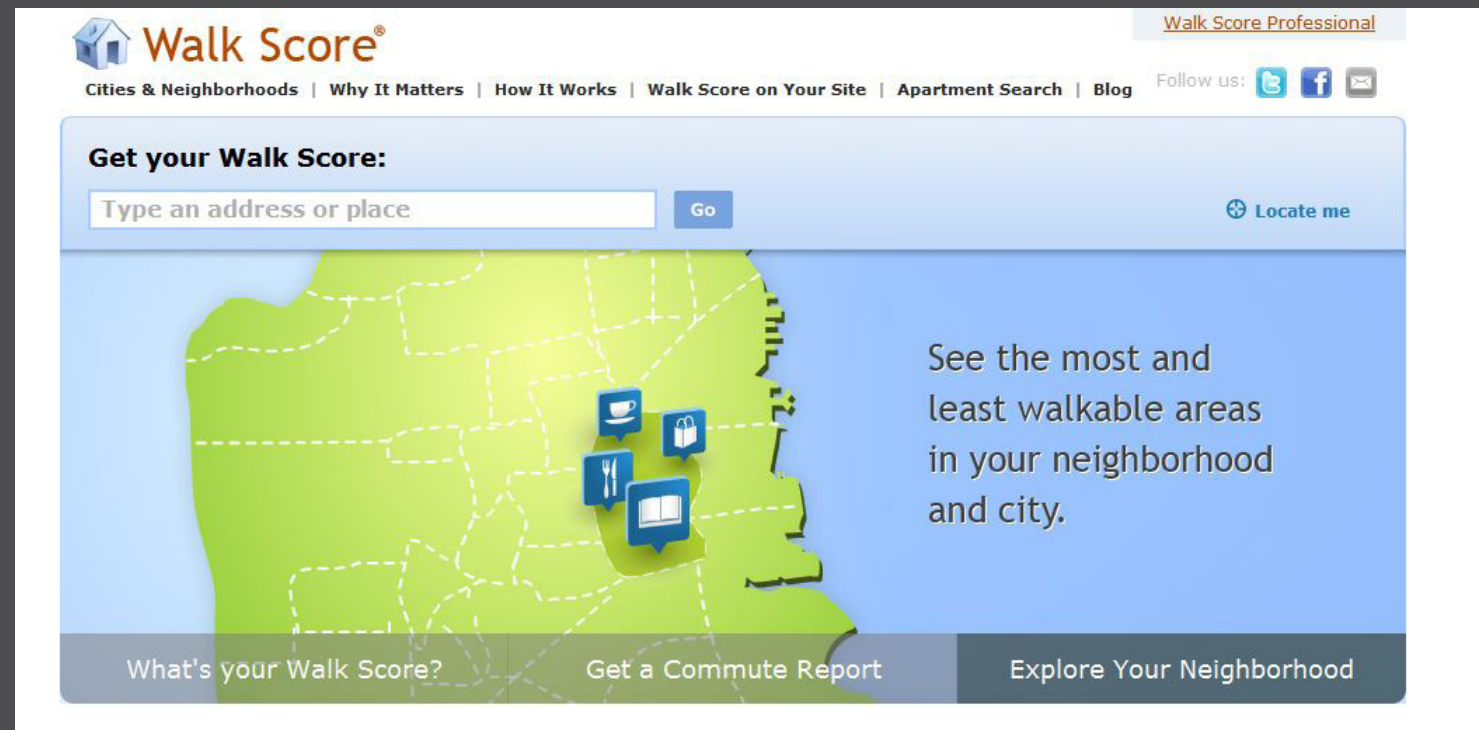
AVERAGE MONTHLY BUILDING TEMPERATURE (C)

INCREMENTAL
INFORMAL



ACCESS TO AMENITIES

[WALK SCORE REDUX]




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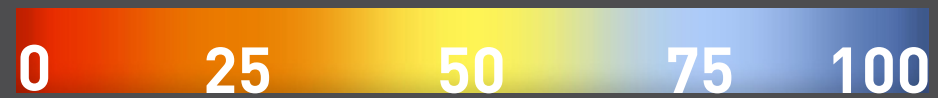
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SHOPPING	MECHANIC
COFFEE	MARKET
BANKS	BANKS / MICRO-CREDIT
PARKS	PARKS
SCHOOLS	SCHOOLS
BOOKS	HEALTH CLINIC + COMMUNITY CENTER
ENTERTAINMENT	ENTERTAINMENT [+ BAR/CLUB]

LATRINES: TO MANY FOR SCRIPT.

INCREASING ACCESS...

**BASELINE:
FEW AMENITIES**

**DESIGNED SETTLEMENT
W/ POORLY PLACED
AMENITIES**



DESIGNED SETTLEMENT W/ BETTER PLACED AMENITIES

WATER
RESTAURANTS + INFORMAL MARKETS
MECHANIC
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BANKS / MICRO-CREDIT
PARKS
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CONCLUSIONS

1.

BASIC SUSTAINABLE DESIGN PRINCIPALS CAN MAKE SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENTS TO THERMAL COMFORT AND DAYLIGHT ACCESS IN ZONES OF INFORMALITY.

BIGGEST IMPROVEMENTS:

- + ADDED SPACE BETWEEN BUILDINGS INCREASES VENTILATION AND DAYLIGHT**
- + ROOF SPACE AND VENT COUPLED WITH FLOOR VENTS FOR BUOYANCY**
- + ORIENT BUILDINGS TO 45° FROM WIND PATTERNS IMPROVES AIR FLOW**
- + OVERHANGS LOWER OPERATIVE TEMPERATURES AVERAGE 1-3°**

2.

**LOCATIONS OF AMENITIES AND CONNECTEDNESS TO URBAN NETWORK
SIGNIFICANTLY INFLUENCE QUALITY OF LIFE, AND DIGITAL TOOLS CAN ASSIST IN
IDENTIFICATION AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCATIONS.**

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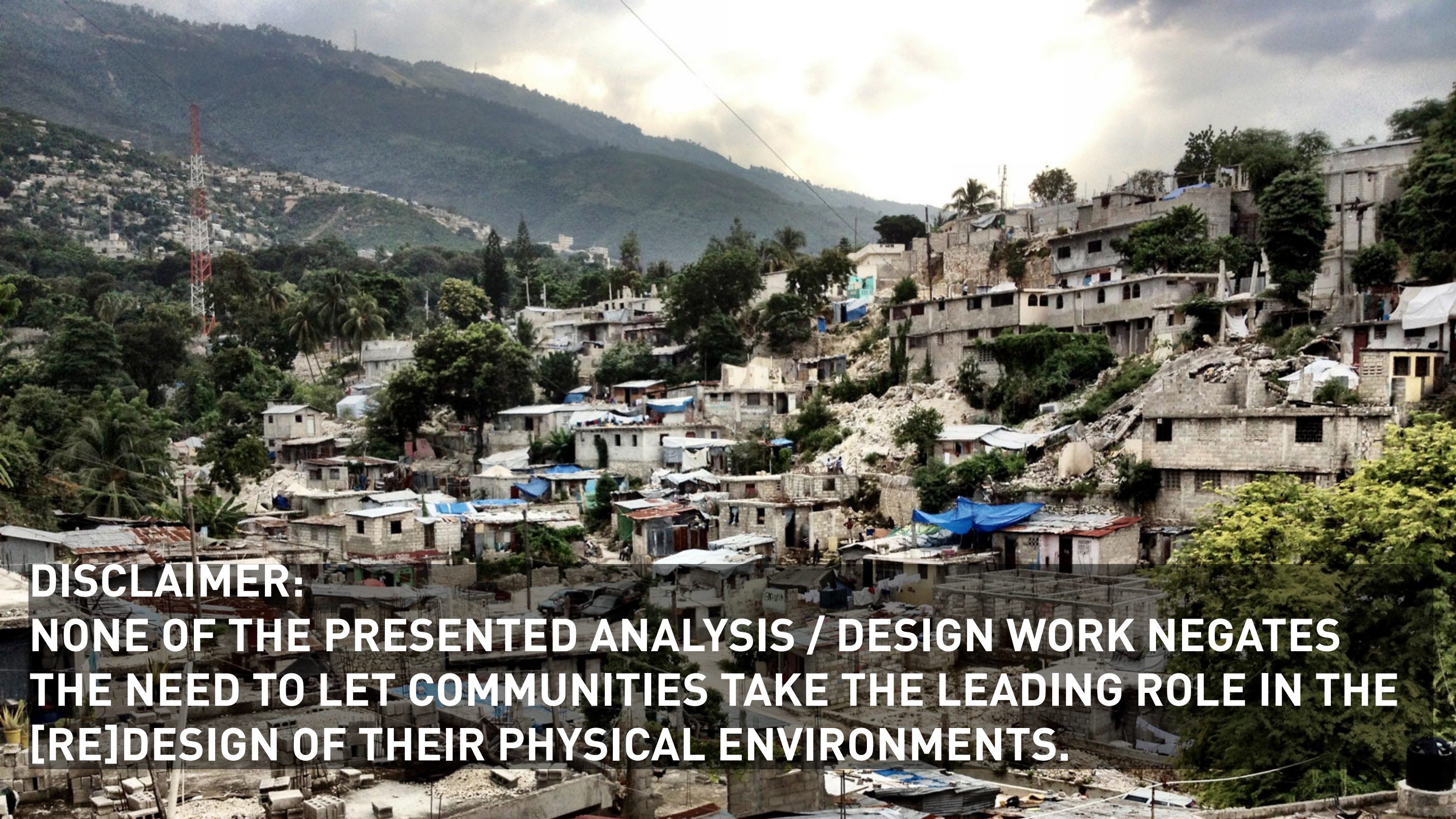
BUT SERIOUSLY:

THIS ANALYSIS PROCESS COULD PROVIDE SIGNIFICANT DATA FOR DECISION MAKING

**DIFFICULT TO CREATE NEW FORM INDEPENDENT OF THE MYRIAD OTHER FACTORS
REQUIRED TO MAKE ARCHITECTURE AND URBAN DESIGN DECISIONS.**

**AS HAITIAN RECONSTRUCTION OCCURS, THESE TECHNIQUES WILL BE USEFUL TO
ASSESS AND MODIFY PROJECT PROPOSALS.**

THE UN IS ON BOARD.



**DISCLAIMER:
NONE OF THE PRESENTED ANALYSIS / DESIGN WORK NEGATES
THE NEED TO LET COMMUNITIES TAKE THE LEADING ROLE IN THE
[RE]DESIGN OF THEIR PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENTS.**