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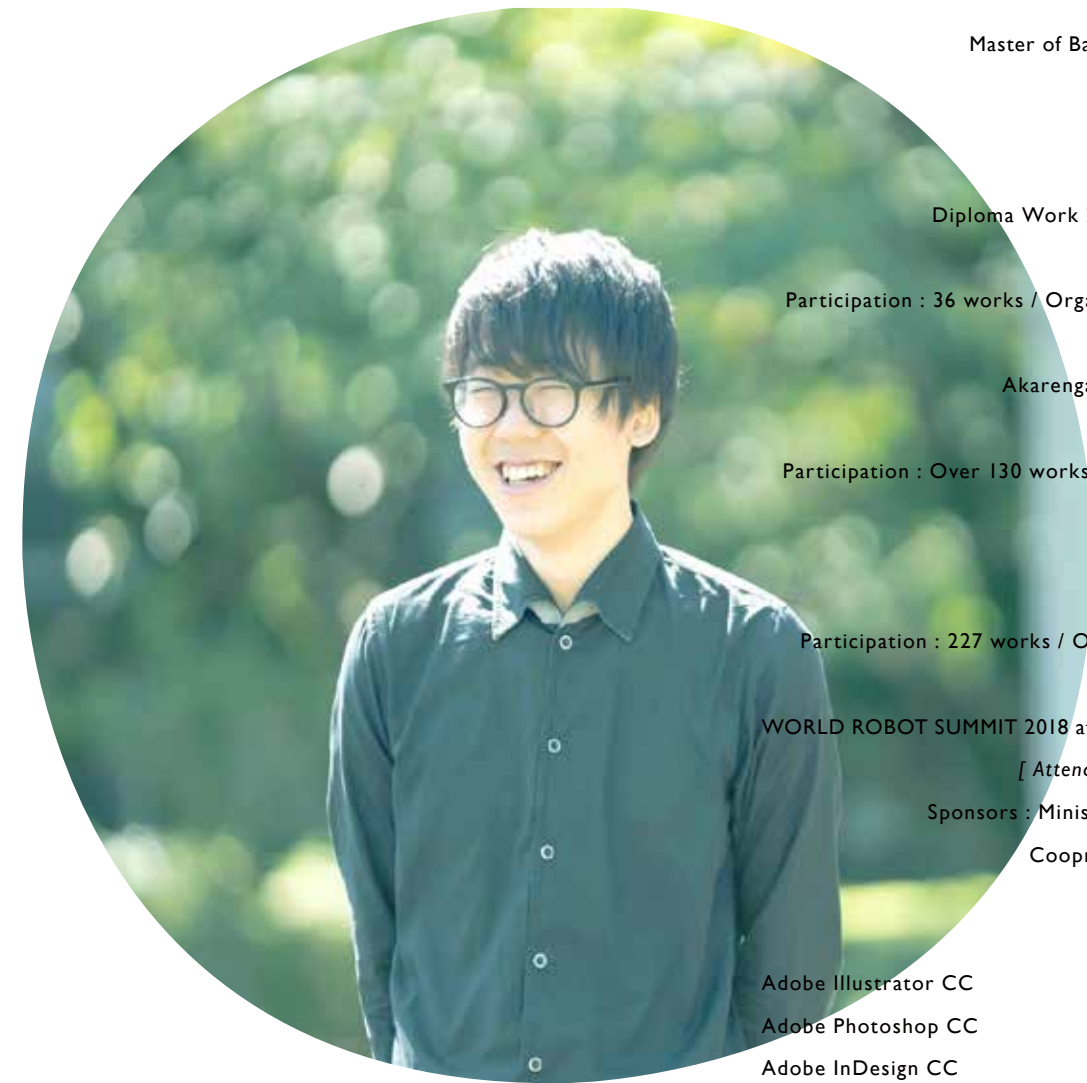
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**Awards & Exhibitions**

Diploma Work 2018 at Tokyo University of Science  
[Excellence Award]  
Participation : 36 works / Organizer : Tokyo University of Science

Akarenga Diploma Collection 2018 in Tokyo  
[Highest Score at Initial Screening]  
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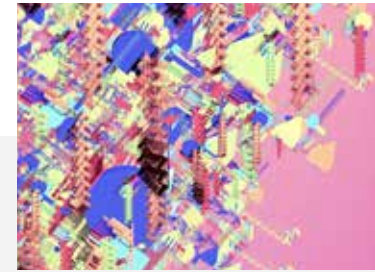
WORLD ROBOT SUMMIT 2018 at TOKYO BIG SIGHT convention hall  
[ Attendance : approximately 70,000 visitors ]  
Sponsors : Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry  
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**Computational Skills**

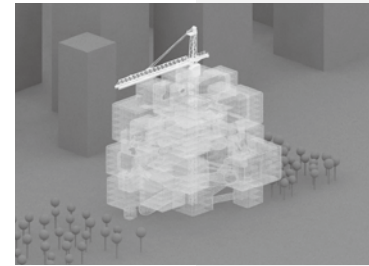
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Adobe AfterEffects CC

Rhinoceros  
Grasshopper  
V-ray for Rhino  
Unreal Engine 4  
Python  
Microsoft Office

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Exhibitions



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01

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Diploma project  
Individual work  
Design period : 2 months

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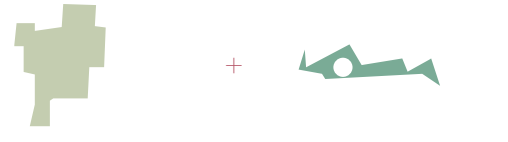
Definition of a Dream



Simonides, one of the early Greek poets, proposed a Memory Palace, an imaginary location in your mind where mnemonic images are stored. You can recall a memory continuously when following the right route in the Memory Palace. I defined a dream as something to be recalled discontinuously, dispersed along the wrong route.



[PART 1]  
Mutant Cross-breeding of Cities



Dream City / Paul Klee  
Close observation of Paul Klee's Dream City yields odd overlapped geometries, which I imagine have emerged from a dream, or fuzzy memories.

[PART 2]  
Mutant Cross-breeding of Objects

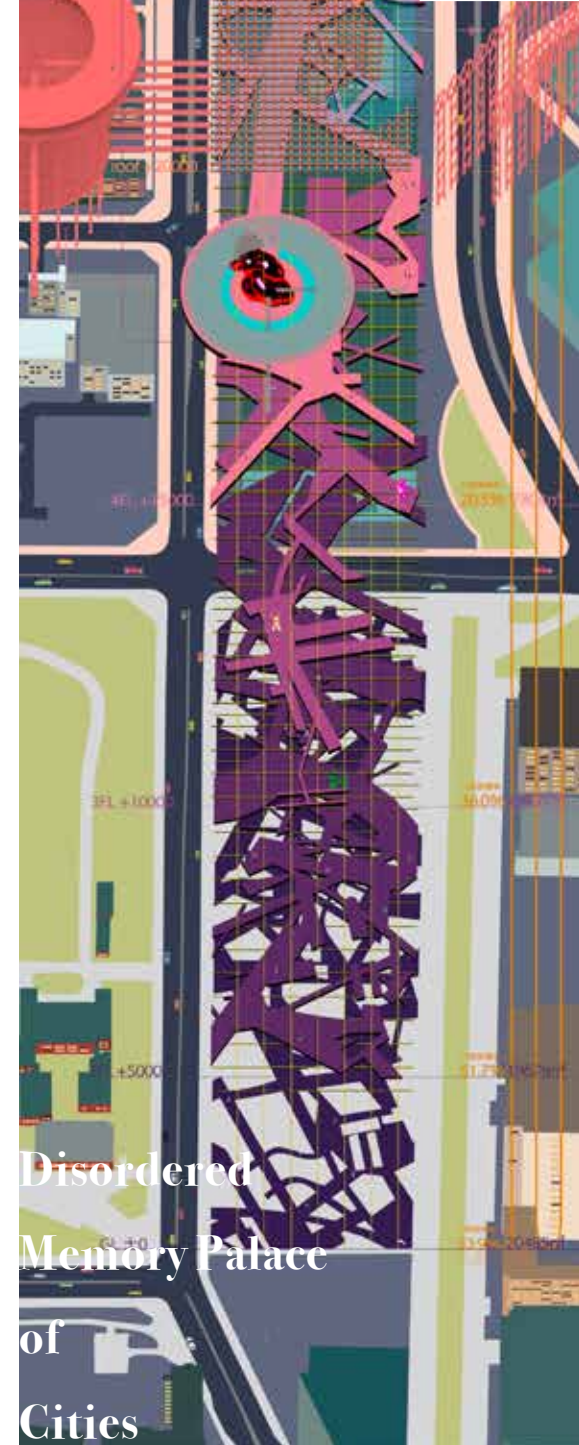


African Sonata / Vladimir Kosh  
Parts of animals represented in this image are replaced by instruments associated with each character. I imagine that the interchangeability of scale and form of the objects are something that emerge from a dream-like state.

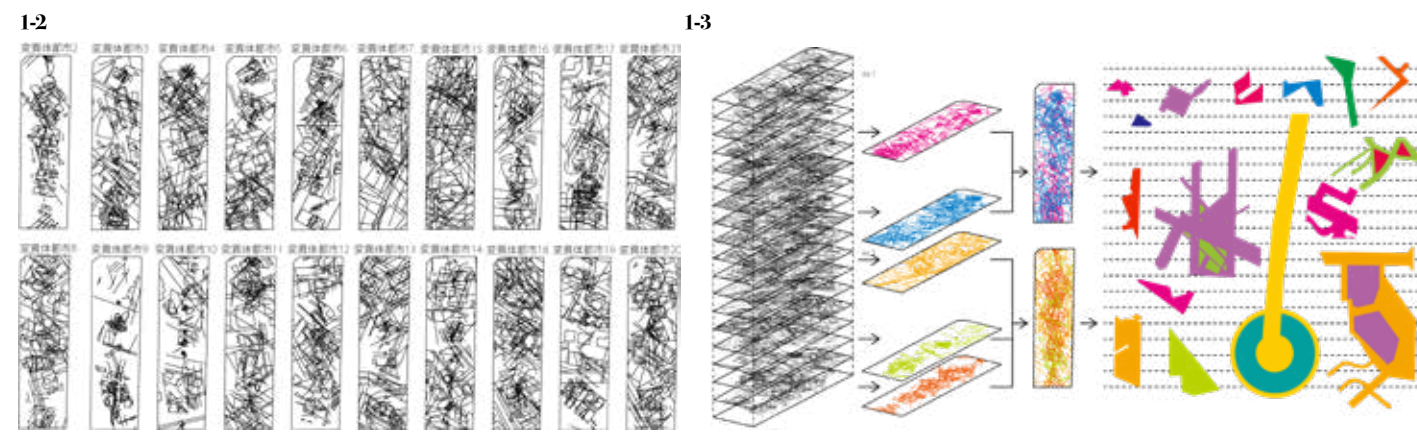
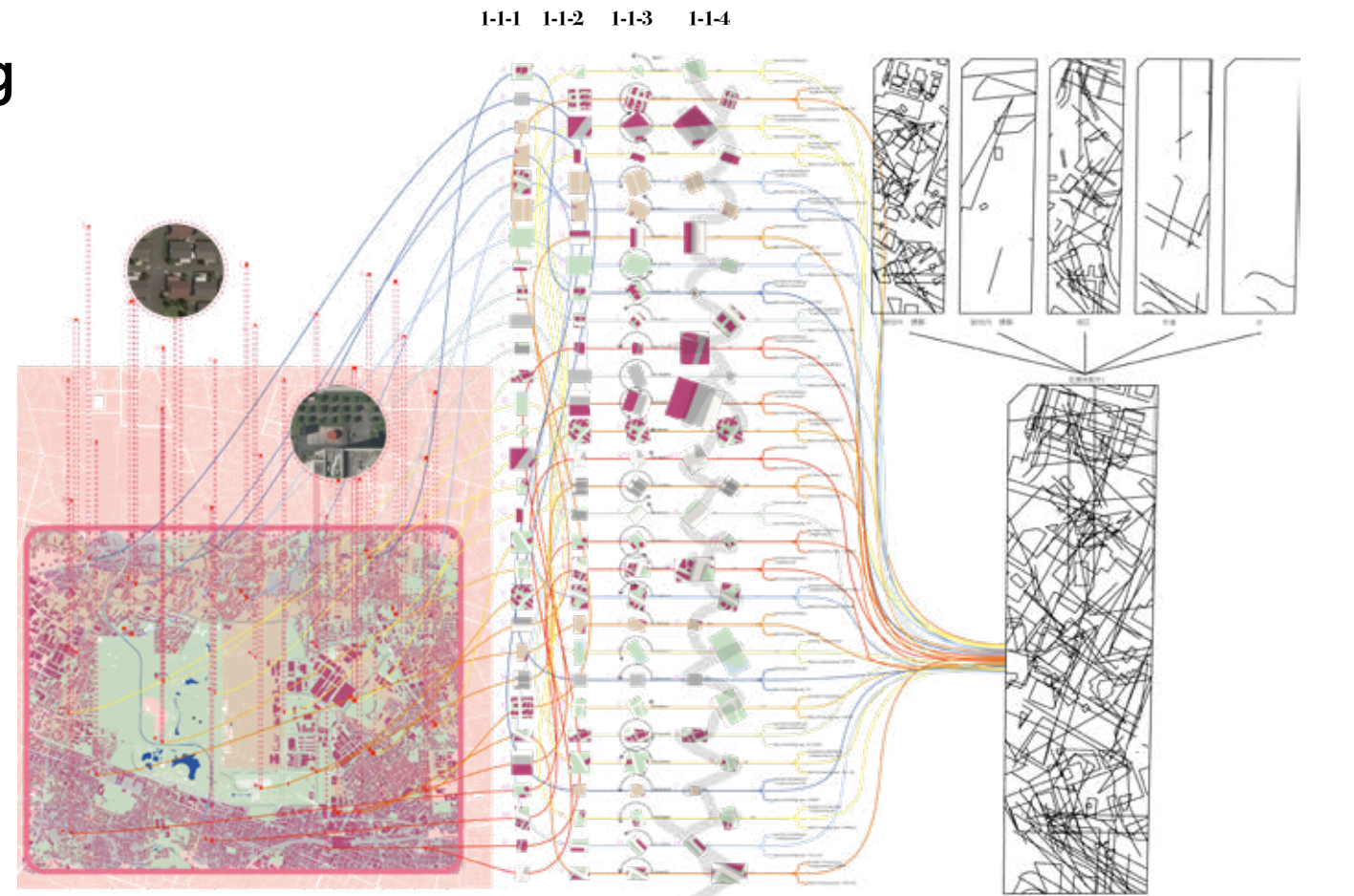
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[PART1]  
Mutant  
Crossbreeding  
of  
Cities



Disordered  
Memory Palace  
of  
Cities

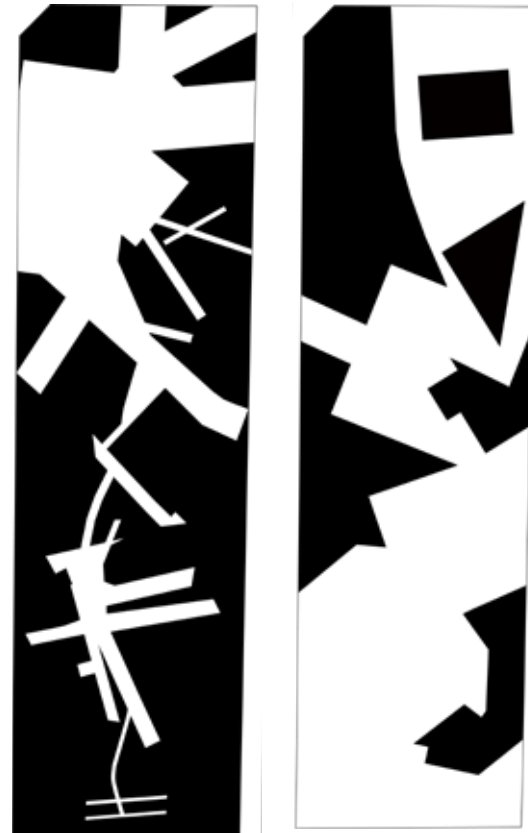


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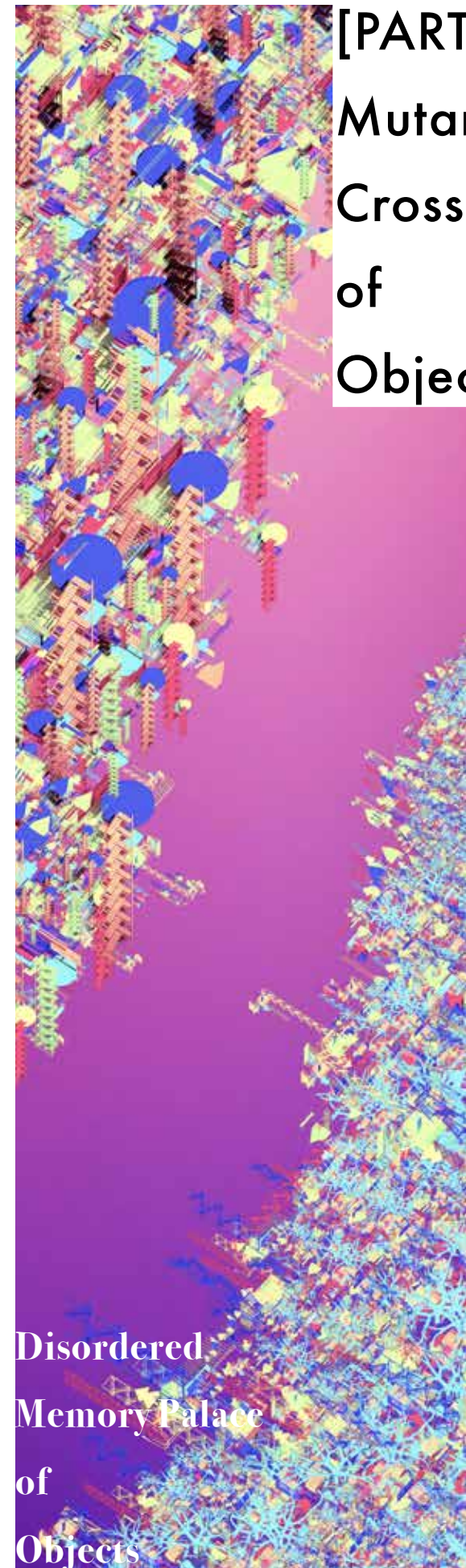
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- 1-1-2. Unconsciousness < stir >
- 1-1-3. Multiple interpretation < rotate >
- 1-1-4. Impression < extend and intend >
- 1-2. Reconstruction < array >
- 1-3. Crossbreed < overlap >

Selecting and displacing 30 pieces of trimmed "city-fragments" between the range of 30 - 50m.  
Shuffling the "city-fragments", they are placed into "memory palace" haphazardly.  
Rotating the "city-fragments" randomly, the preference of views differs from person to person.  
The size of the each memory palace's room depends on the individual, and is not always the same.  
21 patterns of "mutant city" are created through repetition of the steps above.  
Overlapping few patterns of "mutant city" selected at random, several strange geometries emerge.

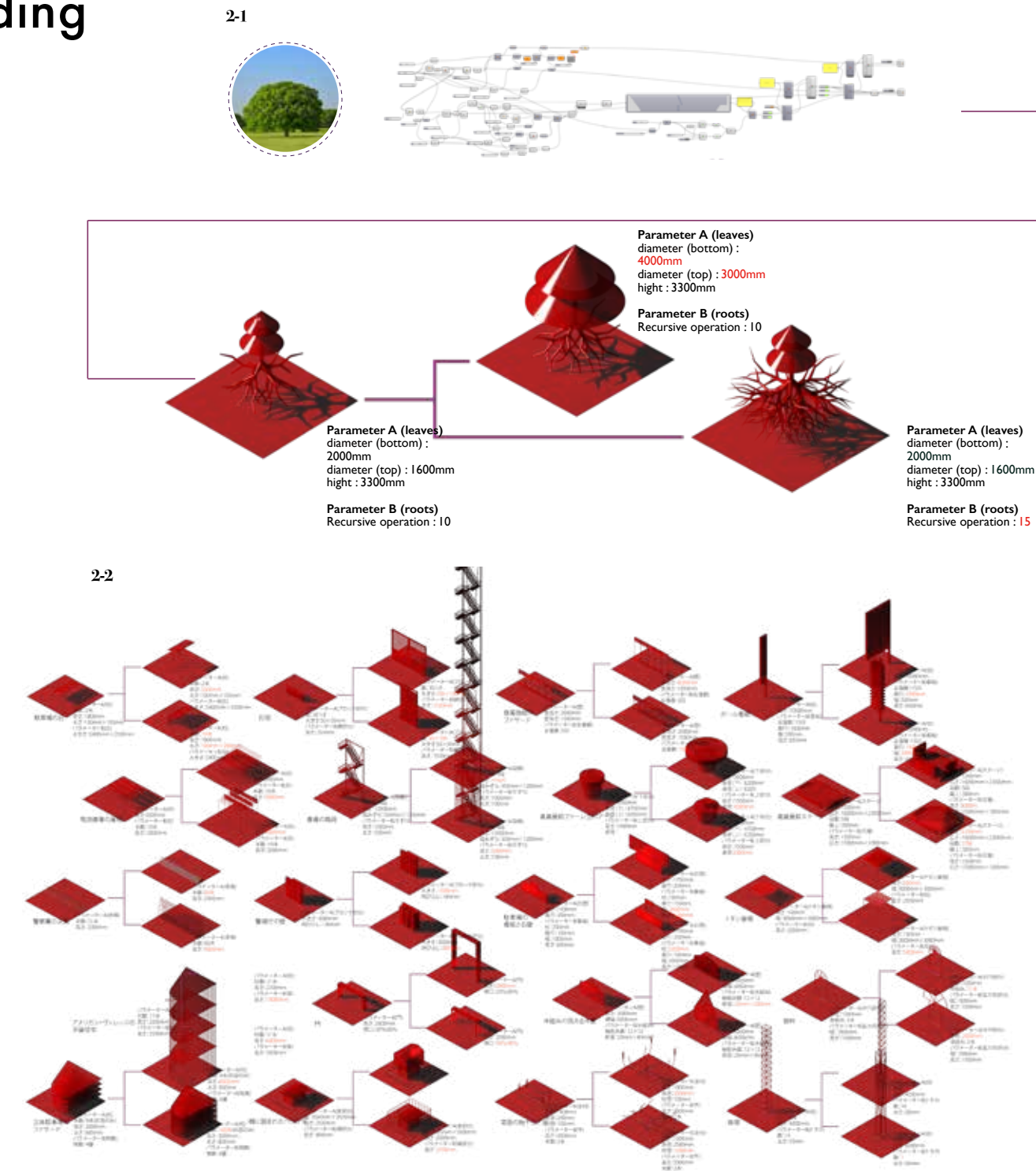
Mutant Cross-breeding of Cities



[PART2]  
Mutant  
Crossbreeding  
of  
Objects



Disordered  
Memory Palace  
of  
Objects



[PART 2] Mutant Cross-breeding of Objects

- 2-1. Fragmentation < deconstruct >
- 2-2. Unconsciousness < deform >
- 2-3. Crossbreed < overlap >

Selecting 20 objects from the same range as Part 1.  
The "mutant objects" are results of changing the parameters through Grasshopper, which are partially emphasized.  
By overlapping the patterns of "mutant objects", the "mutant cross-breeding of objects" is generated.

2-3 Mutant Cross-breeding of Objects

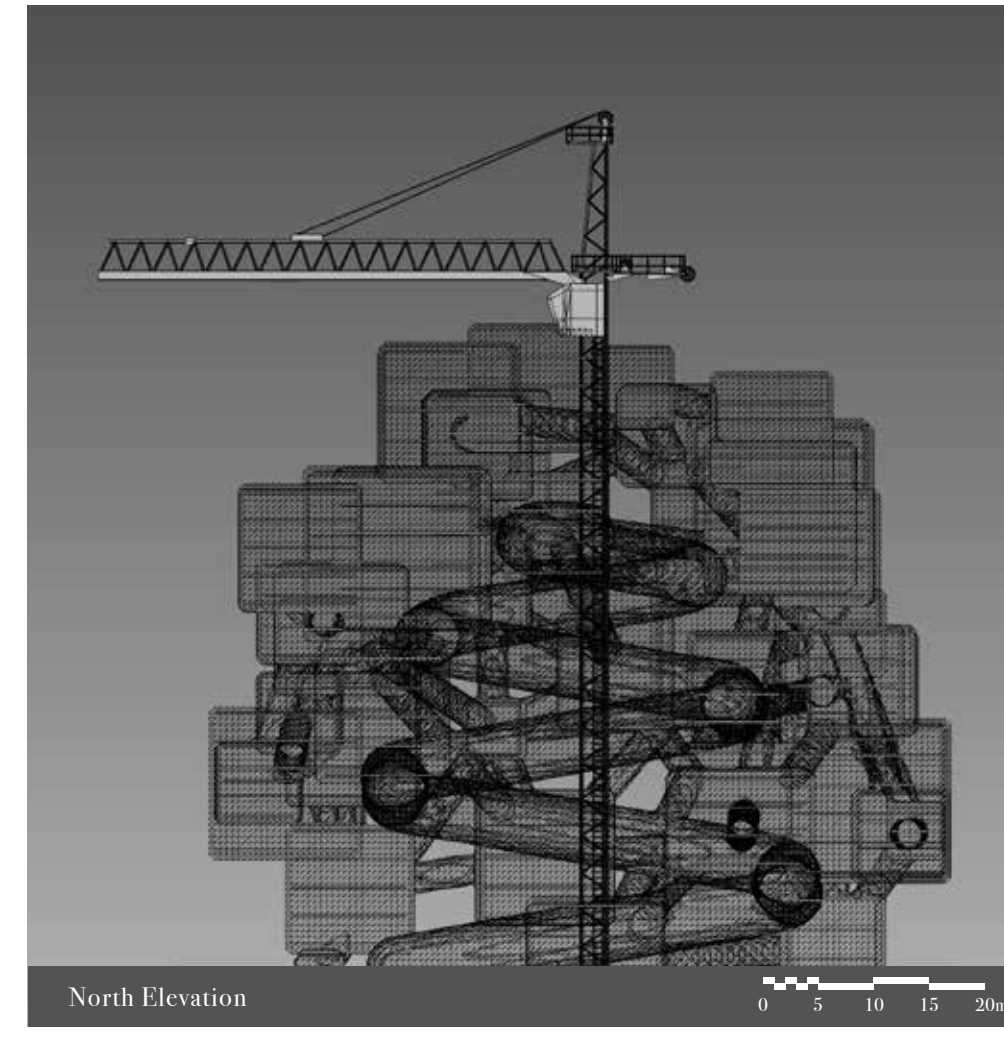
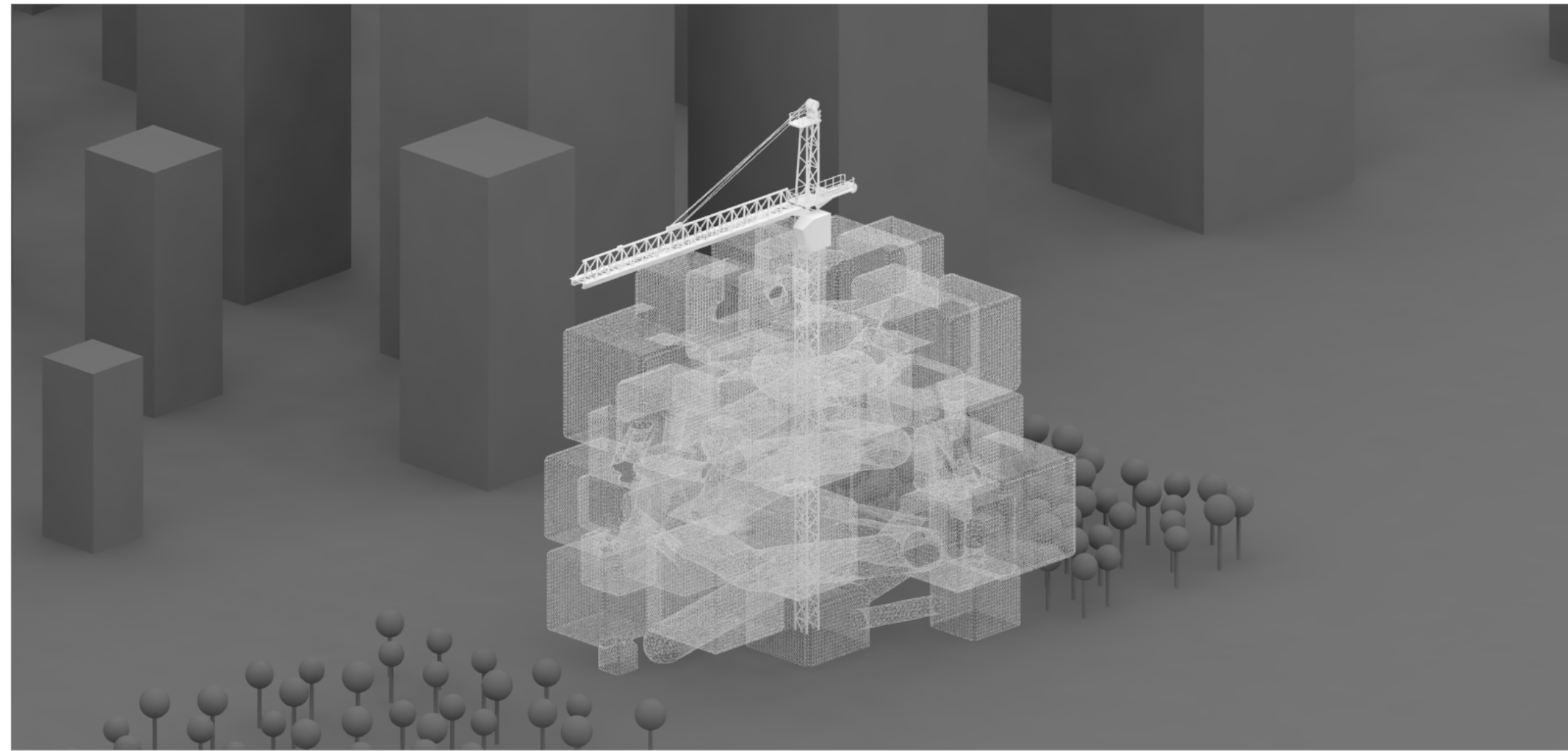




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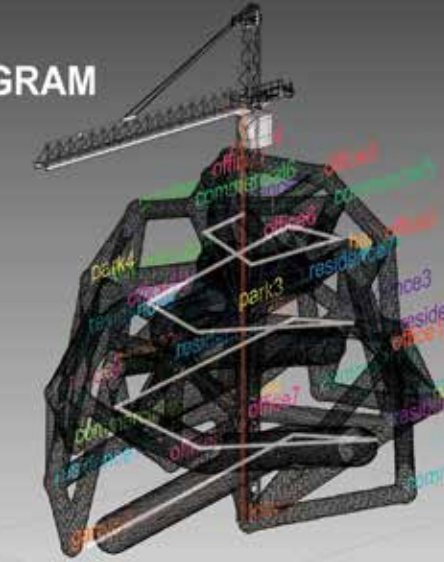
## Self-Actualizing Building

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Individual work  
Design period : 2 weeks  
Instructor : Jin Taira



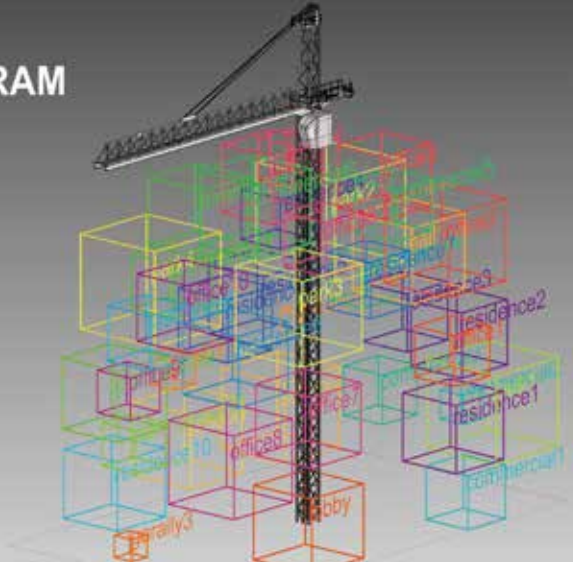
### CIRCULATION DIAGRAM

There are three types of circulation: 1. Elevator (red line), 2. CORE SPIRAL (white line), and 3. Functional connections (the rest). These lines are intertwined throughout, resulting in a condition resembling urban circulation.



### FUNCTION DIAGRAM

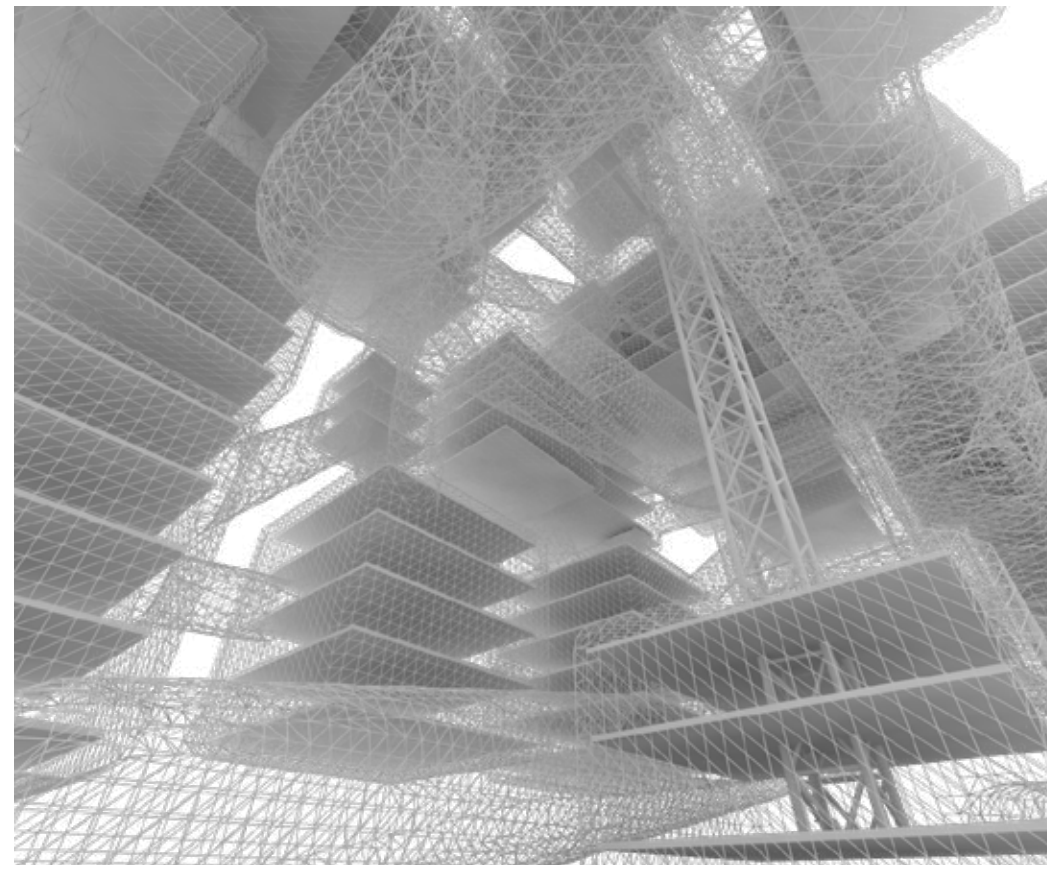
The volumes are created along the flow lines. Each volume is assigned a function: Residential, office, commercial, etc. While the volumes are independent, the functions are not divided and are mutually related, like complex urban conditions.



**Proposal**  
Self-Actualizing Building is based on the analysis of Space Syntax in order to create a methodology for automatically generated design according to spatial functions and necessary volumes, while neuron-like network system links the various spaces together.

**Concept**  
New technologies such as lasercutting, 3D printing, and robotics, have been incorporated into new experimental methods of construction. However, for the most part, both theory and practice of designing and constructing buildings remain a manual process today. The aim of this project is to propose an "automated" design method using the analysis of space syntax.

**Vertical neuron-like network system**  
With the increase of population density in urban areas, buildings are increasingly becoming higher. However contemporary architecture consists of spaces sorted by functions, which are not mutually related to one another. The proposed architecture is based on a vertical and neuron-like network system for more seamless connections between various functions and volumes.



### AUTOMATICALLY GENERATING NEURON-LIKE NETWORK SYSTEM USING SPACE SYNTAX

The following programming code was used to design architecture semi-automatically. First, three parameters - functions, areas, and connections - were input; then, preserving the parameters, the volumes are optimized. The resulting architectural system resembles a neuron-like network system based on space syntax theory.

#### PHASE 0 : INPUT PARAMETERS



Input parameters:  
1. Functions of each space / 2. Footprint of each function / 3. Connections between the functions

#### PHASE 1 : COLOR DIAGRAM

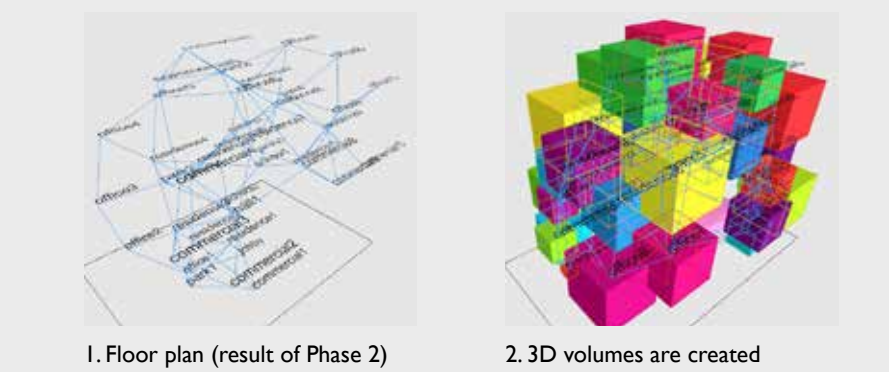


The plan diagram is automatically generated according to the parameters of Phase 0. Size of the rectangle corresponds to the footprint of each of the functions, while the blue lines indicate the connections between functions.

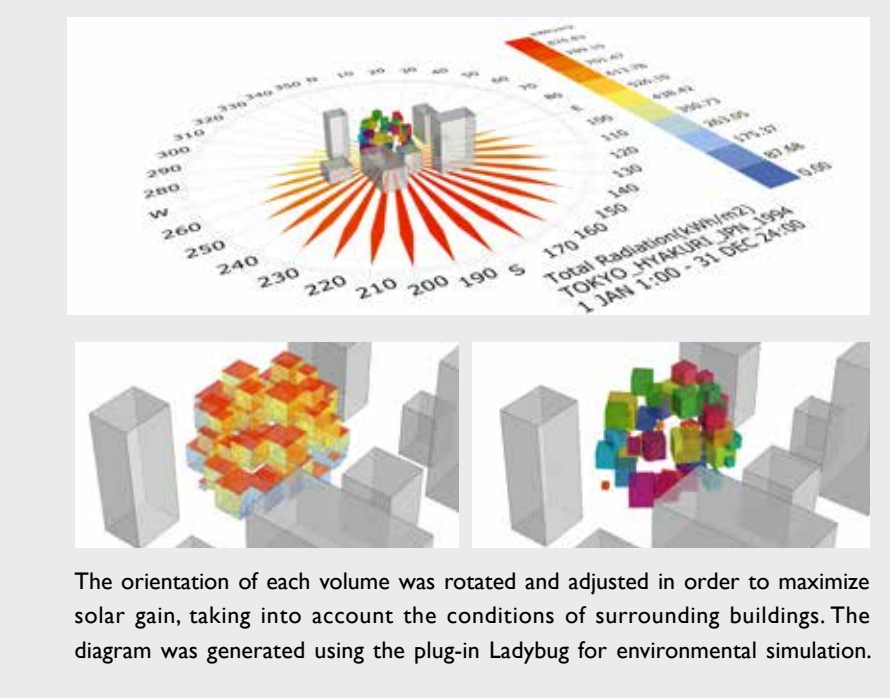
#### PHASE 2 : OPTIMIZING FORM



#### PHASE 3: VOLUMES AND NEURON-LIKE NETWORK SYSTEM



#### PHASE 4: VOLUMES AND NEURON-LIKE NETWORK SYSTEM



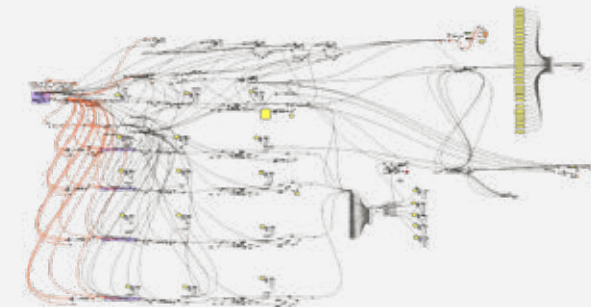
The orientation of each volume was rotated and adjusted in order to maximize solar gain, taking into account the conditions of surrounding buildings. The diagram was generated using the plug-in Ladybug for environmental simulation.



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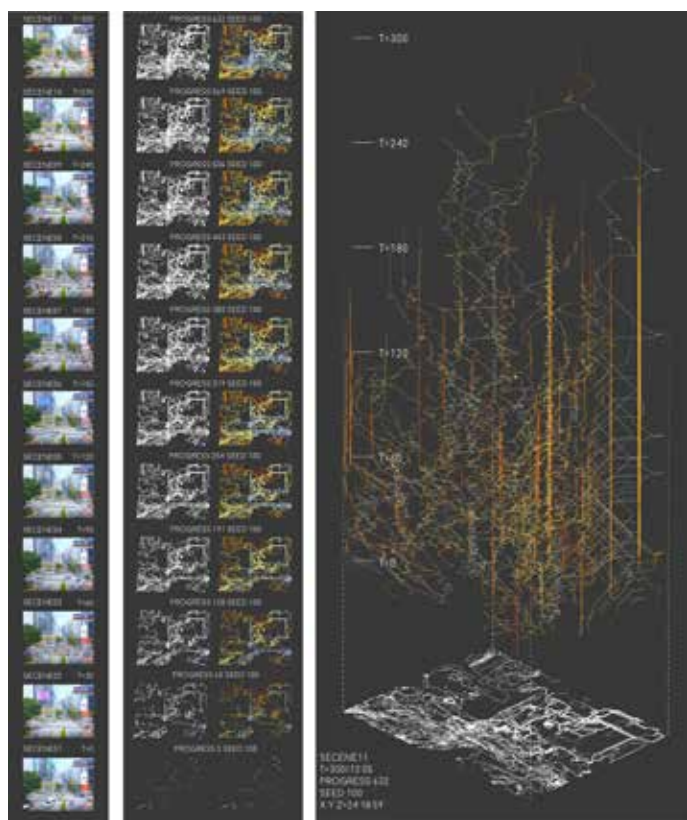
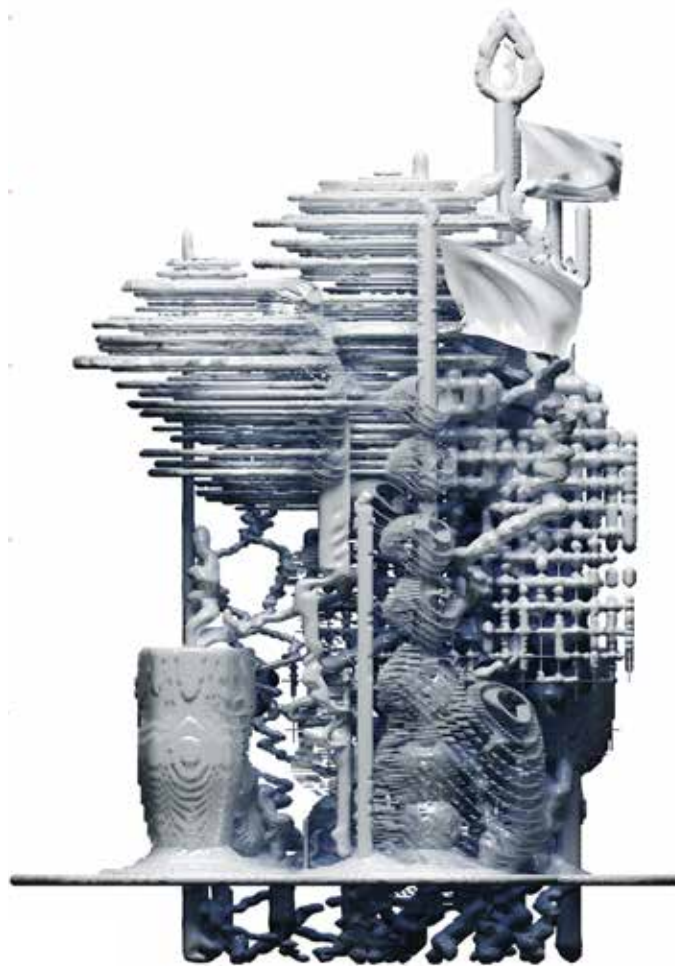
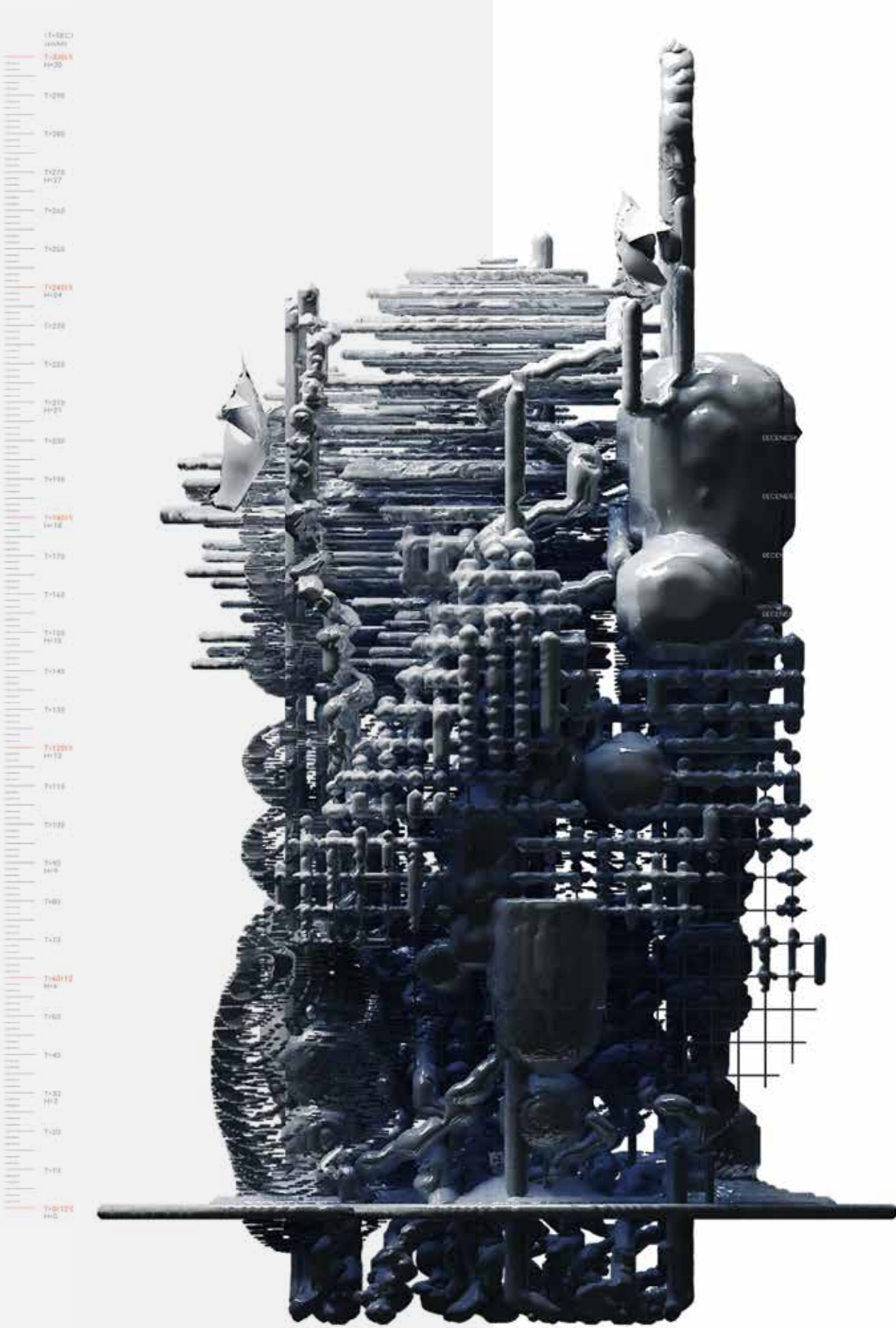
## Architecture for life

Visual study  
Individual work  
Design period : one week



### Proposal

What might a design for the living and the not-living, between expected and unexpected, look like? My attempt here was to explore a design that is unforeseeable from a rational human perspective. Fixed-point video at Scramble Intersection in central Shibuya, Tokyo, was analyzed using Grasshopper to generate a machine-driven design proposal, what the imagination of an artificial intelligent machine might come up with.



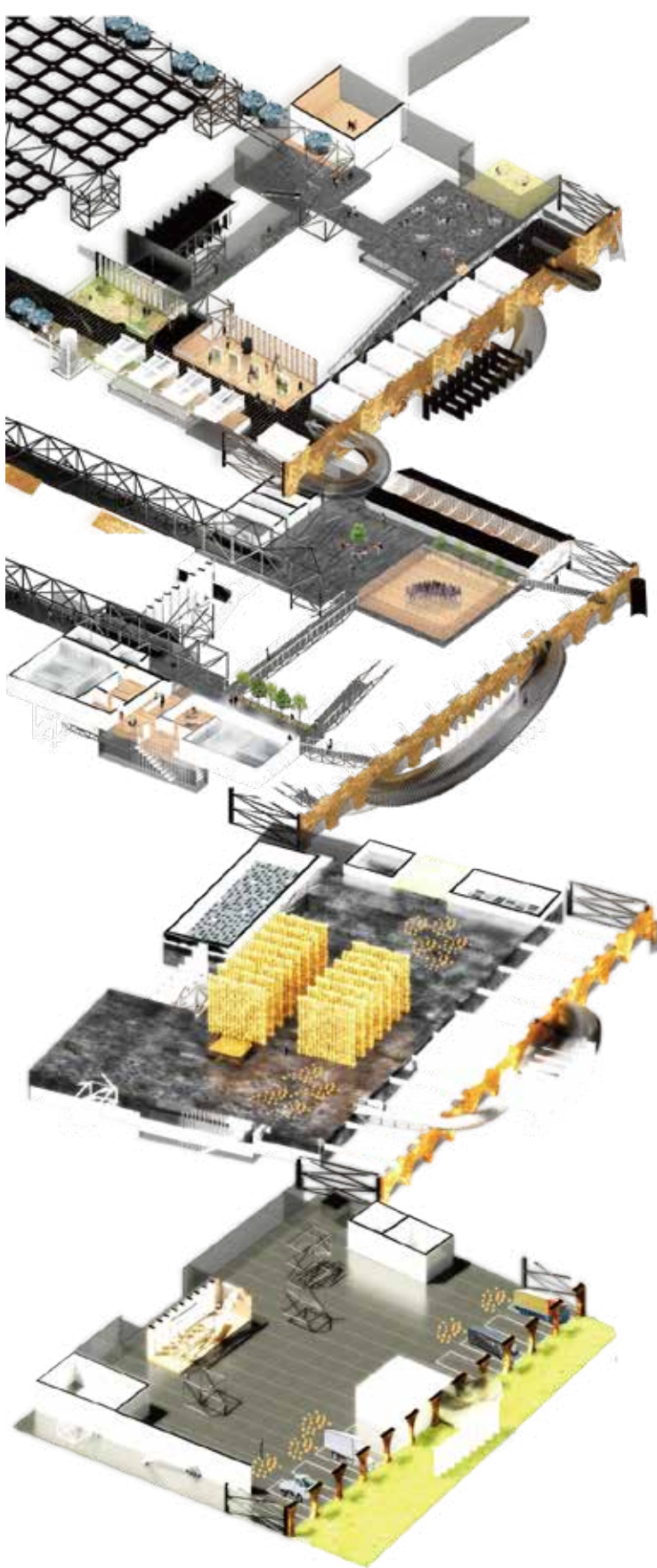
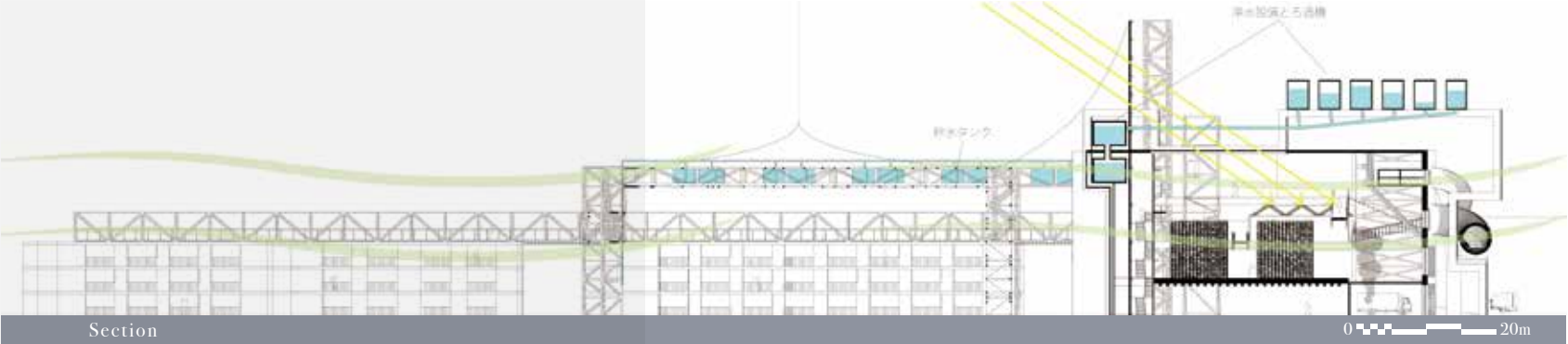
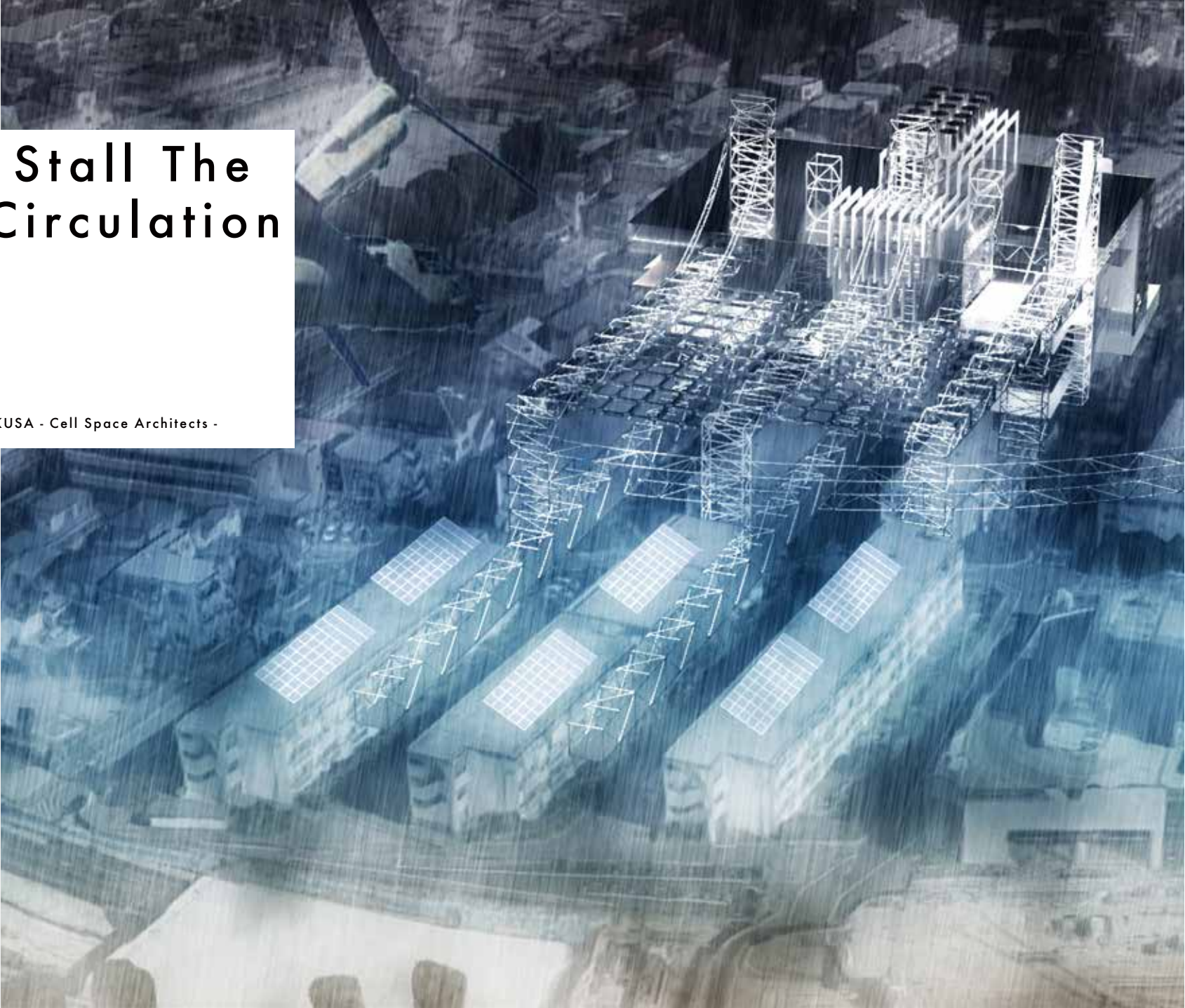
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## Do not Stall The Blood Circulation

Design studio  
Individual work  
Design period : 4 months  
Instructor : Mutsue HAYAKUSA - Cell Space Architects -

### Proposal

"Logistics is the blood circulation of the city," were the words of Chiaki MUKAI, an ex-astronaut. Although logistics is essential to the city, it has various problems, such as long-distance truck drivers' severe labor conditions. Currently, logistics warehouses that are indispensable in disaster situations are mostly situated along the Tokyo-Bay. I propose a logistics warehouse near Ikebukuro station, which boasts the second largest number of passengers in Tokyo, by converting a postwar housing complex. The addition of seismic reinforcement, water filtering system and storage tanks, and passageways directly linked to the station alter not only the function of the building but also its appearance as a new symbol of the city. The vacant units are renovated into hotel rooms for truck drivers, while the new addition houses a gallery, public bath, gym, and other functions that serve the public day-to-day.





# 05

## 都市の円弧

### URBAN ARC

Competition  
Group work : Ryota TORAO / Hiroki KONDO / Atsuhiko TANOKUCHI  
Design period : 2 months

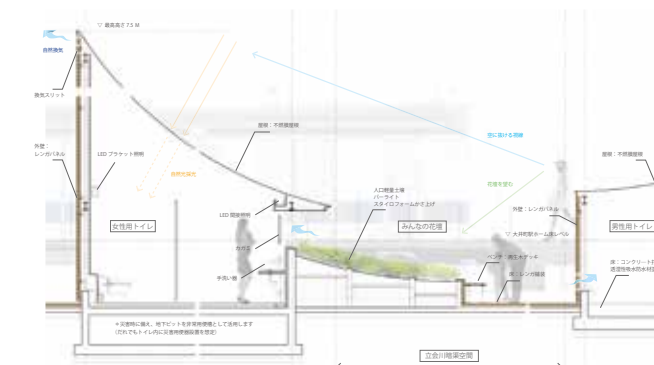
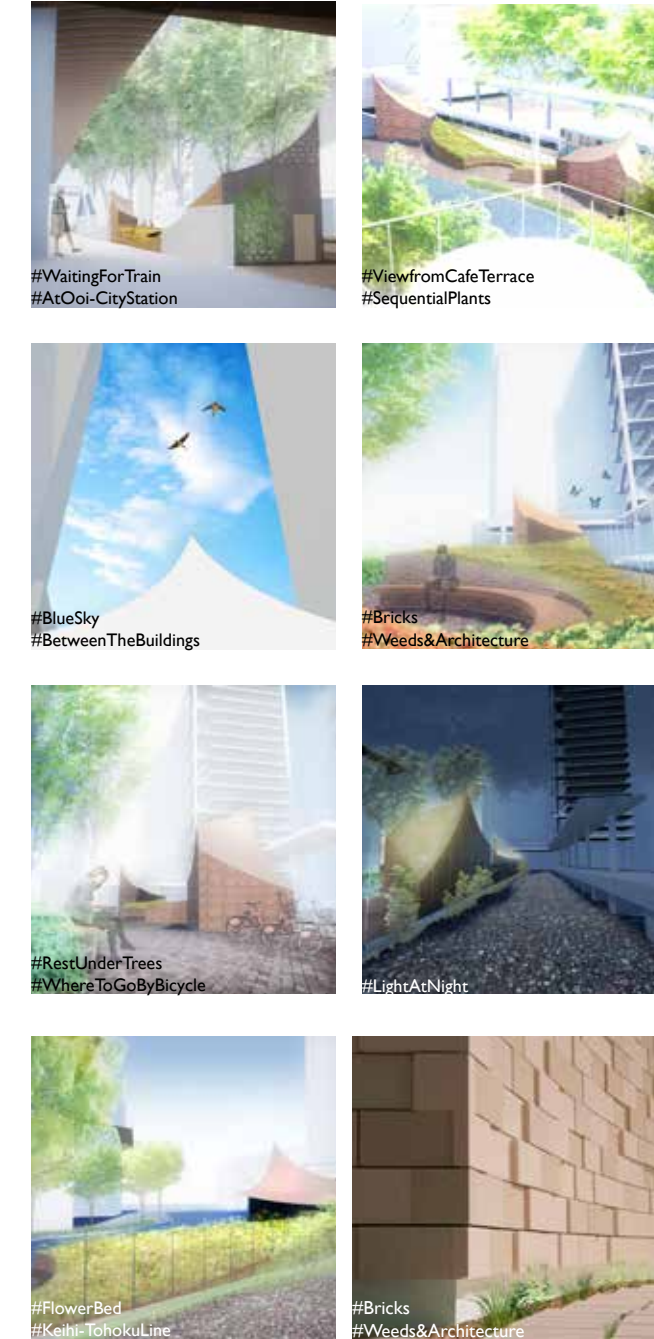
Award :  
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#### Proposal

The aim was to create an open public space that allows us to enjoy the environment beyond the boundary of the site, as opposed to the idea of a closed architecture / park. The thought of responding to various existing curves around the site and shaping the architecture and the park accordingly, creates an affordance to draw attractiveness of the town by making more of the city visible. This proposal consists of small architecture and carefully planned niches in a public space.



Visitors and passengers are encouraged to stay and are tempted to take some photos to post on SNS.



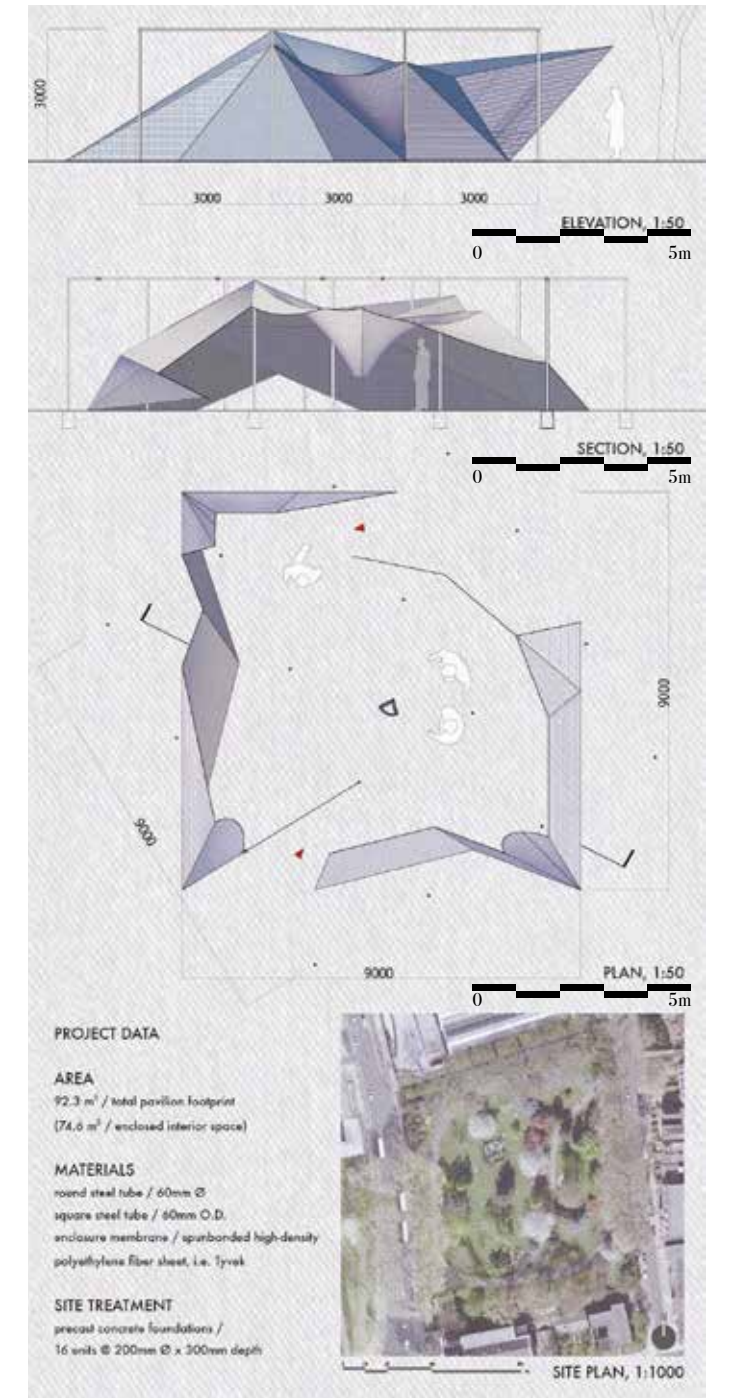
# 06

### TRIUMPH PAVILION "LIGHT"

Competition  
Group work : Kaon KO / Hikoki KONDO / Yuki MATSUBARA / Satoshi HOTSUMI / Atsuhiko TANOUCHI  
Design period : 3 months

#### Proposal

Light is discerned relative to shadow. The interior environment of a pavilion deliberately reduces the quantity of light to amplify it in limited locality via the form of a reversed arch. At the bottom of the arch is an opening that funnels light on to ground, as opposed to from the top, as if light possess weight. The airy, geometrically folded tent-like envelope is suspended by 9m x 9m steel tube frame, composed of 3m cube grids and interesting the tent at 31.36 degrees. The gridded rigid frame and the faceted soft envelope with thin, flexible reinforcement create a construct of silhouette and material, openness and enclosure; the space between them is one that marginal, providing a break visually as well as physically. Two entry points are provided at north and south sides of the pavilion, encouraging foot traffic and visual link between V&A Museum of Childhood and St John's Church.





# 07

## Commonvenience Store

Exhibition / Movie creation & Design  
 Group work : Yuki MATSUBARA / Atsuhiko TANOKUCHI  
 Production period : 3 months  
 [ Attendance : approximately 70,000 visitors ]



You can watch the movie on YOUTUBE

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5qQW6KcDzEs&list=LLEmTcCp0B184MMWwAGA0ow&index=2>

### Proposal

In Tokyo, parks that are located in the city center are crowded with visitors. Meanwhile the number and the quality of parks are insufficient to prevent crime. In order to enhance the common dining area within the convenience stores, we propose one that is open in a park-like setting, open 24 hours everyday. Through observations in Kinka Park, we have extracted 31 patterns of activities associated with five spatial compositions. Using this data, we designed the 7-Eleven Masumoto building for brunch at Iidabashi in Chiyoda Ward.

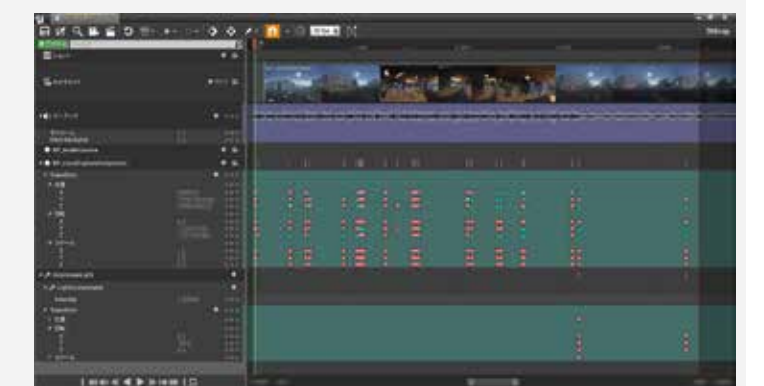
### "World Robot Summit 2018"

The CG movie was exhibited at the World Robot Summit 2018, which is a "Challenge and Expo" that brings together Robot Excellence from around the world, to promote a world where robots and humans successfully live and work together.



### Computational softwares used to create CG movie

1. 3D-modeling : Rhinoceros / Grasshopper
2. Rendering and exporting to the movie : Unreal Engine 4
3. Editing the movie : AfterEffects CG



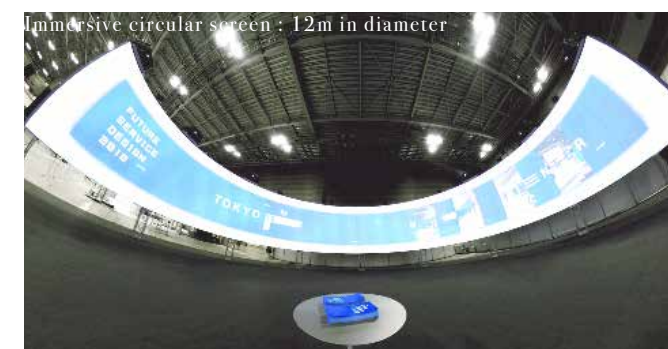
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