

## PROJECT DEVELOPMENT AND DOCUMENTATION

This division will assess objectives related to the integration and documentation of building systems, material selection, and material assemblies into a project. The division will focus on issues related to the development of design concepts, the evaluation of materials and technologies, selection of appropriate construction techniques, and appropriate construction documentation. Candidates must demonstrate an understanding of and abilities in, integration of civil, structural, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and specialty systems into overall project design and documentation.

- Communication / documentation systems
- Assemblies and systems
- Detail design alternatives
- Evaluation of materials
- Selection of appropriate construction techniques
- Integration of systems into designs

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- Shell
- Core
- Partitions and ceilings
- Doors and windows

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Individual structural components

Building wide structural systems

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- Appropriateness
- Efficiency
- Flexibility

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- Requirements
  - Fresh air
  - Exhaust air
  - Temperature
  - Humidity level
  - Condensation
  - Vapor Barrier
  - Operable ventilation

# INTEGRATION OF BUILDING MATERIALS AND SYSTEMS

We can't really discuss mechanical systems without also thinking about the R values of the various exterior assemblies

- Resistance to heat flow
  - Each material has an R value
  - Object vs. thickness
  - Air skins
  - Air gaps
  - Slab edge
  
  - Combination of insulated and non-insulated areas to have an overall R
- U factor ( $1/r$ ), coefficient of transmission
  - Windows and doors



# INTEGRATION OF BUILDING MATERIALS AND SYSTEMS

R value - simple example:

(exterior)

Air film : :

Siding material : :

House wrap : :

Sheathing : :

Insulation / studs : :

Drywall : :

Air film : :

(interior)

# DETERMINING THE SCALE OF MECHANICAL SYSTEMS

Basics: Understanding heating transfer

- Convection
- Conduction
- Radiant

# DETERMINING THE SCALE OF MECHANICAL SYSTEMS

Basics: Understanding comfort

- Comfort
- (De)Humidification
- Sensible heat
- Latent heat
- Enthalpy
- Psychometric chart
- Sling psychrometer / hygrometer

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My personal favorite heating is from radiant floor. But imagine what would happen if we used the same system for cooling ...

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  - R value for wall and roof assemblies
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Transmission:

$$= U \times A \times \Delta T$$

(Slab Edge: by unit length)

Infiltration:

Crack estimation method

(along doors, windows, etc.)

Air change method

(how many air changes per hour, about 1 typ.)

(assumes a heat capacity of air, in btuh)

Ventilation:

(we need fresh air, so we ventilate, but that air comes in without conditioning, usually)



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- Heating load calculation
  - Inside design conditions (target), 68? 72?
  - Outside design conditions
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  - Internal heat gain (factor of safety?)
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1 Determine outside air design temp.

2 Determine inside air design temp.

3 Determine (estimate) temp of unheated areas

4 Calculate the areas of all the assemblies

5 Calculate the R-values of the assemblies

6 Translate the R's to U's

7 Calculate the Transmission losses using the

U and the assembly areas

8 Choose method and calculate the infiltration losses

9 If appropriate, determine ventilation losses

Sum the loads

This tells us the load on a bad day (which is what we need to be able to design the system)

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To determine the overall heat loss for a typical year, you would substitute the HDD (remember to multiply by 24 hours). This tells us how much heating we will need in a typical year.

Transmission:

$$= U \times A \times 24 \times \text{HDD}$$

Similar for infiltration and ventilation

From this we can determine likely annual fuel costs.

This would be important for Life Cycle costing

(Degree day is a rough calculation)

# DETERMINING THE SCALE OF MECHANICAL SYSTEMS

Mechanical design issues:

- Overall heating load calculation  
Useful but limited
- Room by room heating load calculation  
Typically the best situation is to go by room  
Different rooms may have different needs  
This can then be used for sizing ducts, etc.

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## **Consider**

Which would you rather live with ... air based heating or in floor radiant?

(speed? comfort? efficiency?)

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Distribution to the perimeter?

- That is where the problem is
- Condensation buildup
- Buffer

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Hydronic systems will be sized on the total heat loss in btuh, with a boiler sized with a modest factor of safety.

Then a system for distribution must be decided on ... then each “branch” of the system must be sized for the zone it will serve.

Some examples

- Radiators
- Fin-tube baseboard radiators
- In floor systems

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Hydronic example, radiators:

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Hydronic example, in floor:

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- Cooling
  - Typically air based
  - Commercial issues
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  - Relates to a ton of ice melting in 24 hours
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What are some of the moisture issues that you should be interested in with an air based cooling system?

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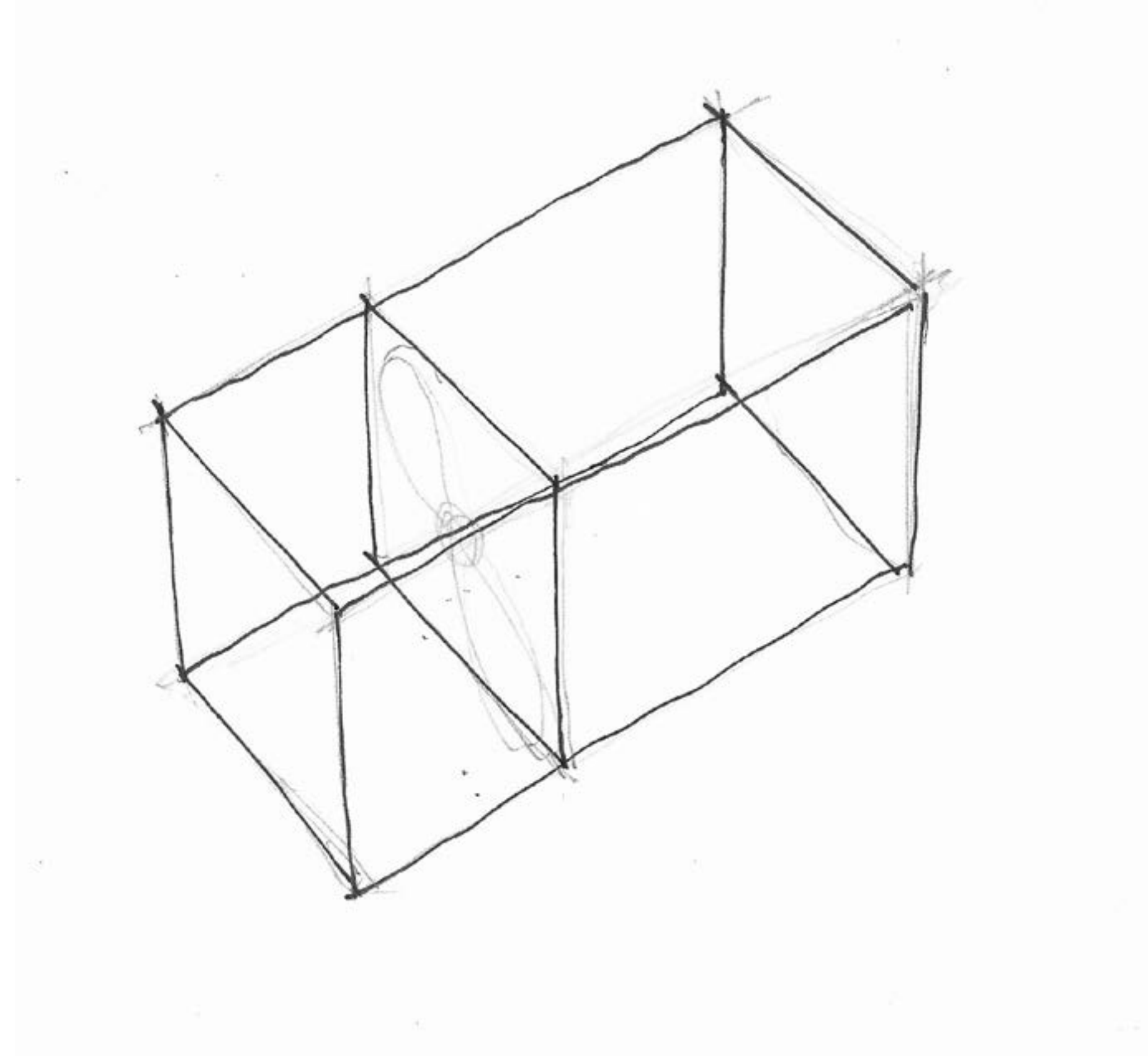
Mechanical design issues:

- Reminder how cooling works

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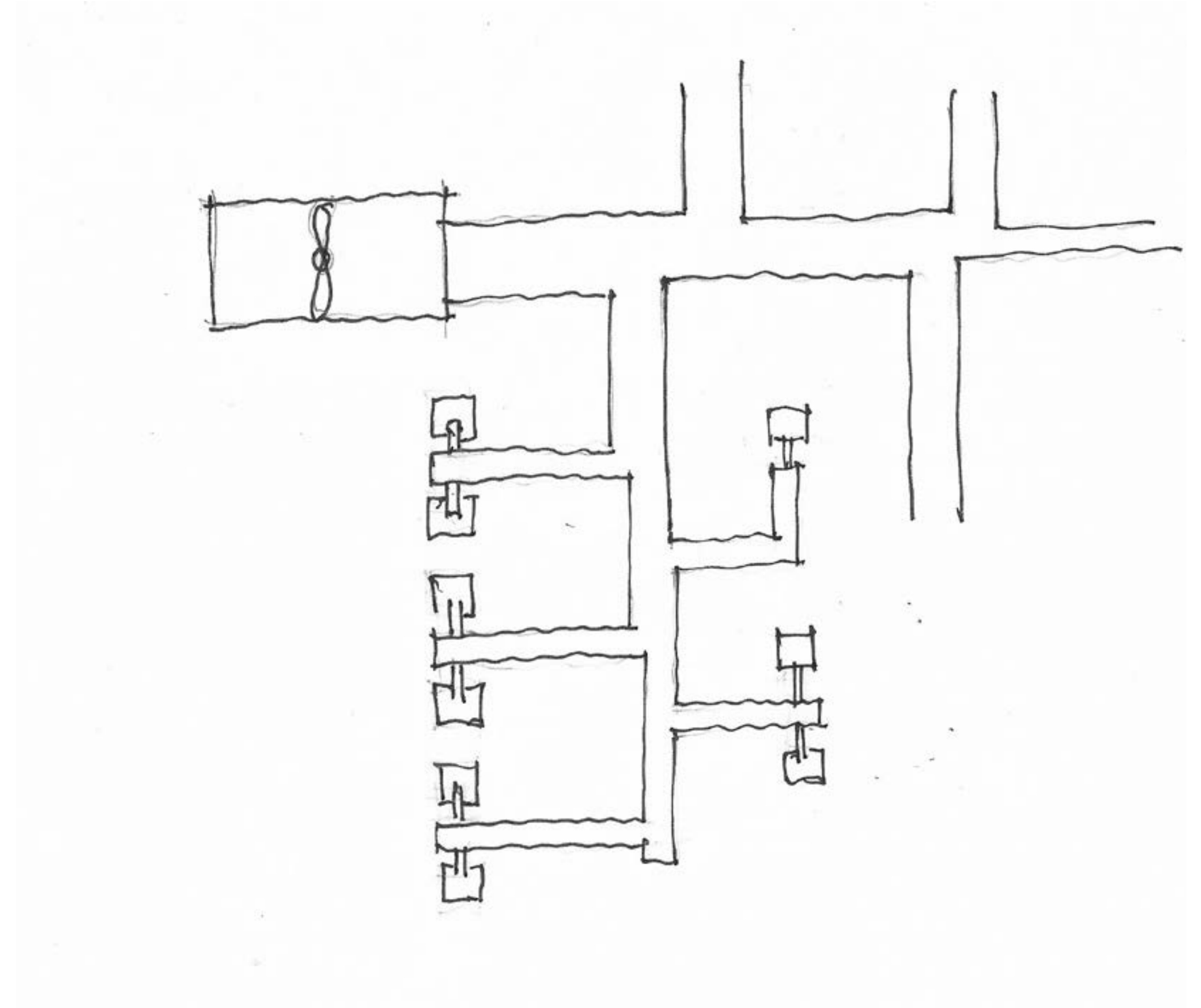
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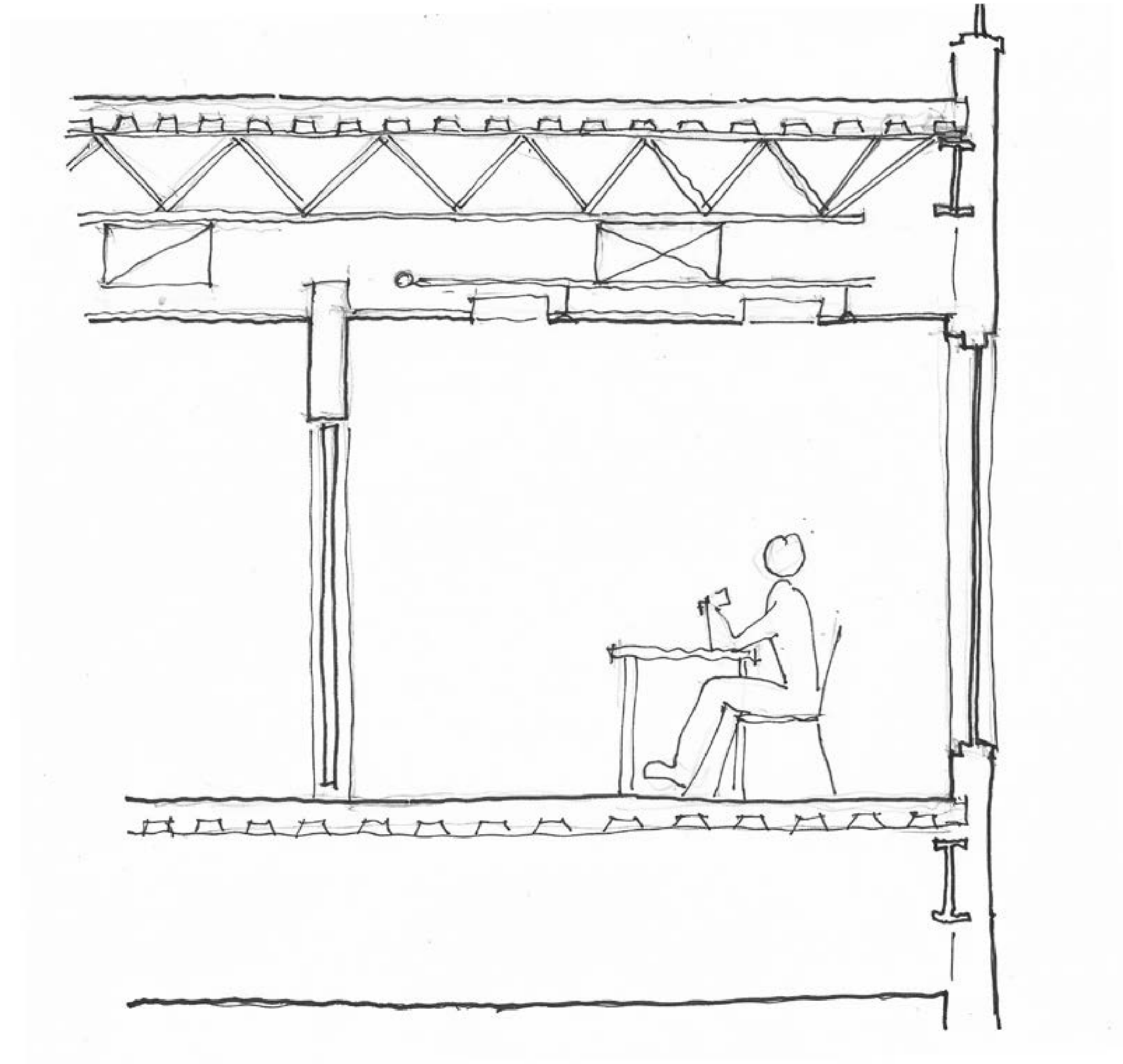
Try to have as few elbows as possible

Try to balance the length

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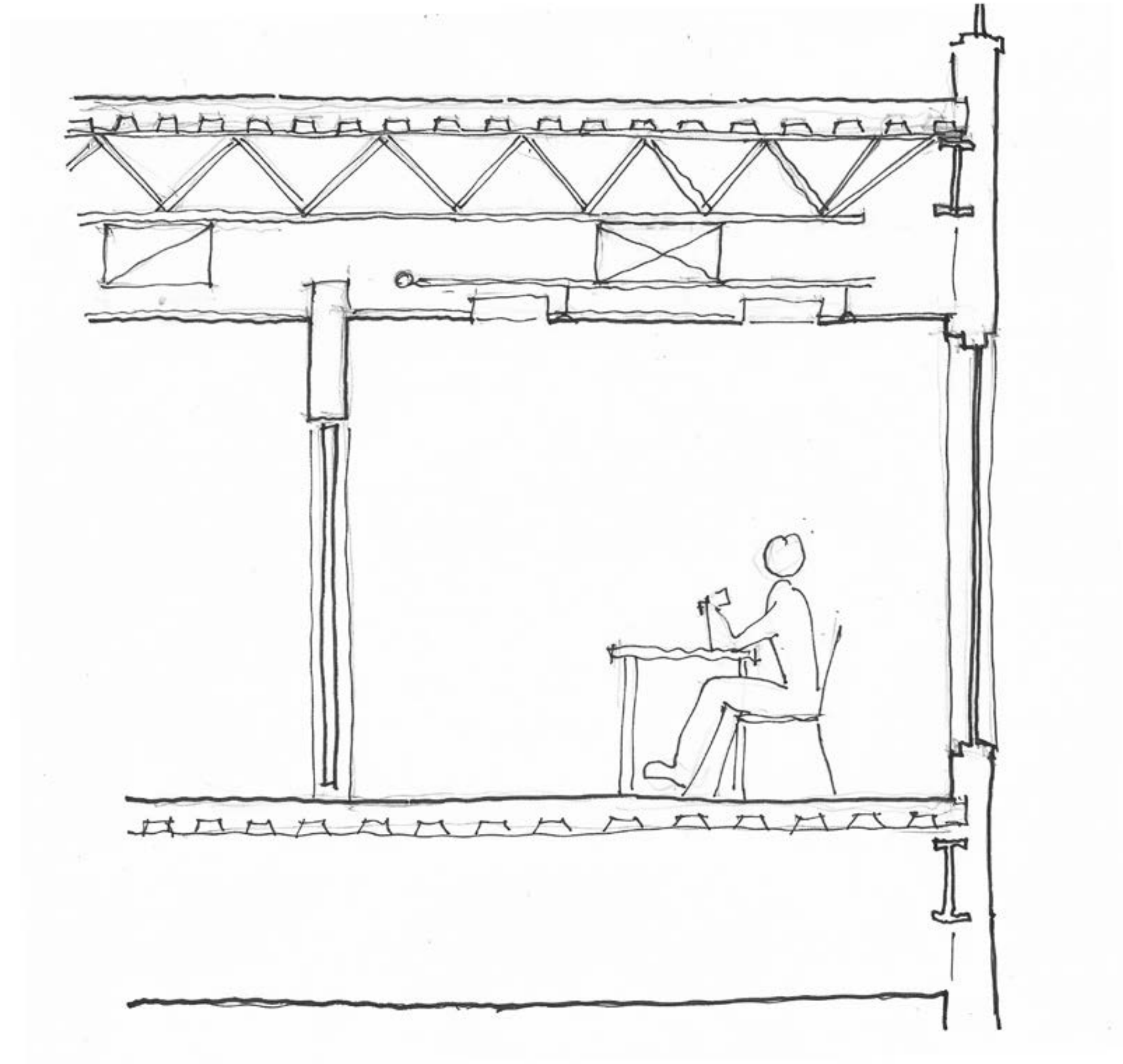
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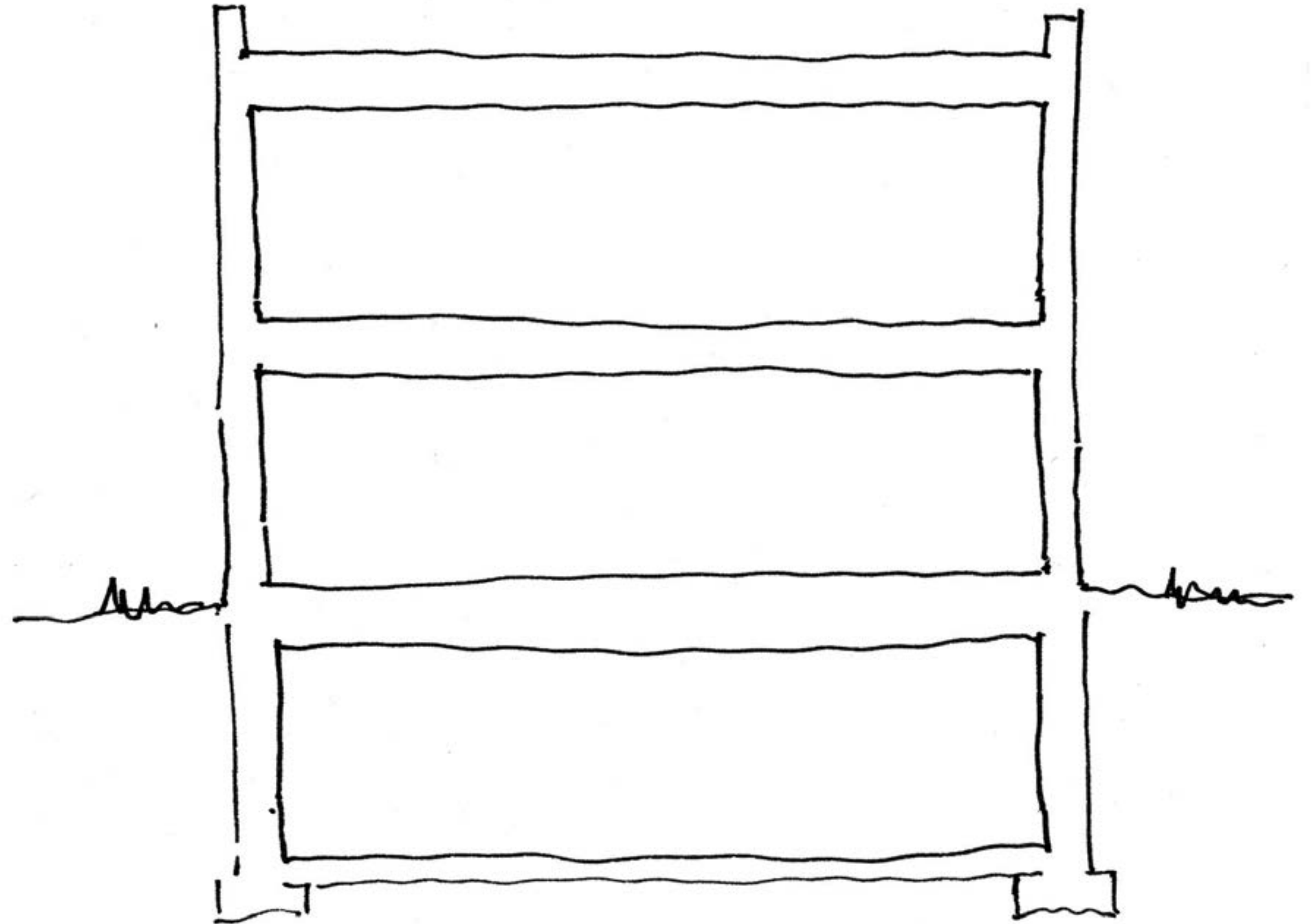


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Location of systems example, chiller:

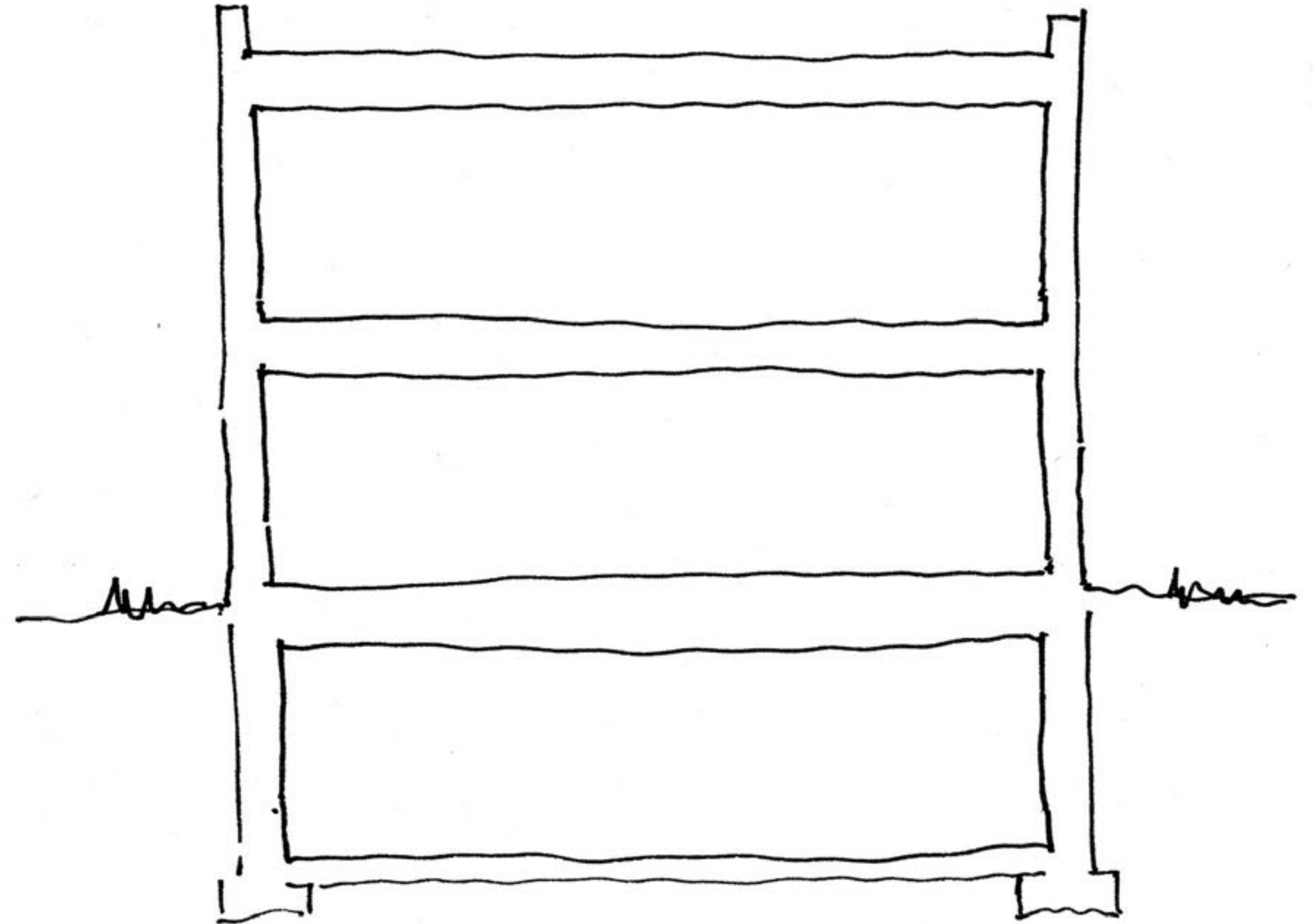


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Location of systems example, fan coil:

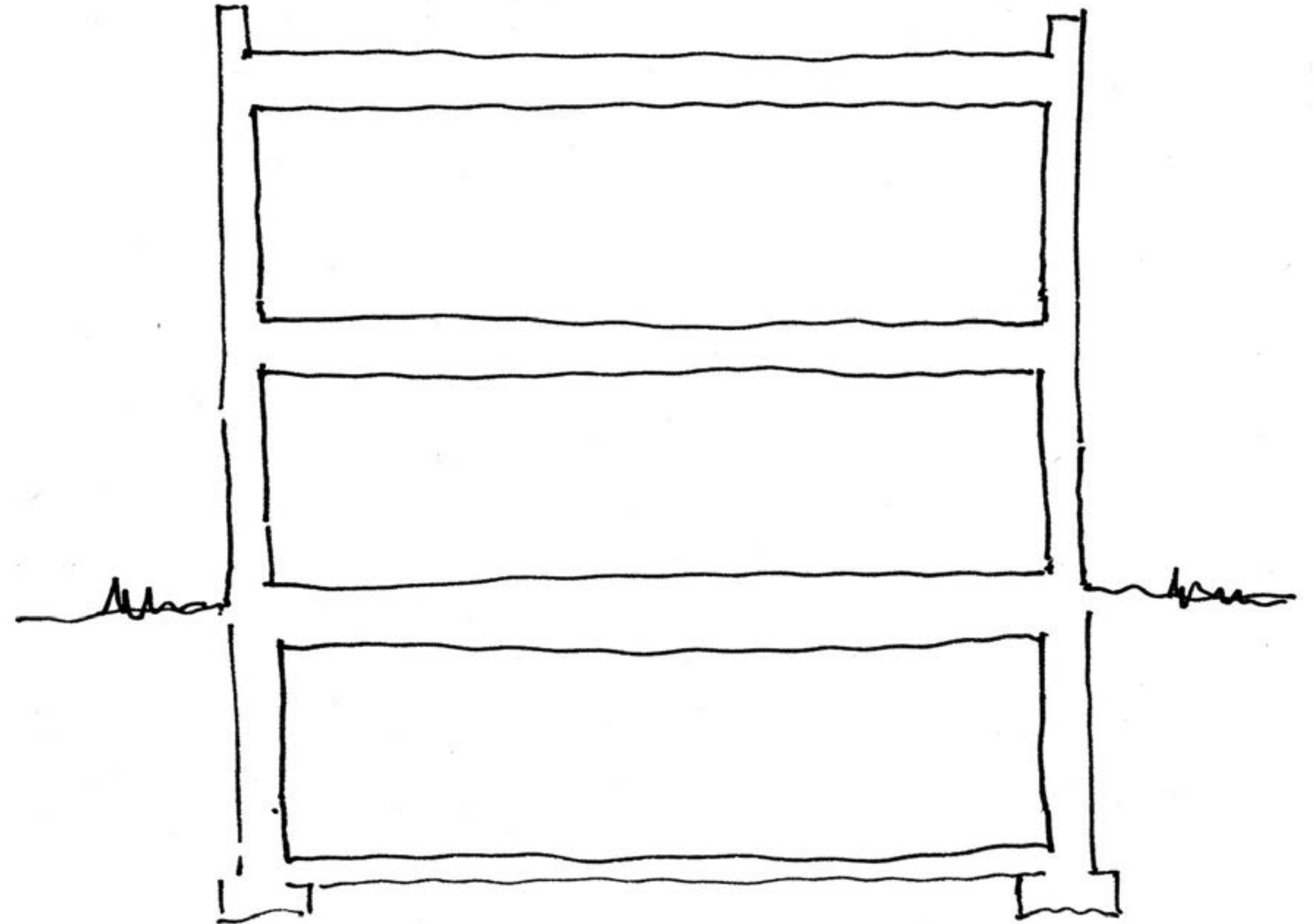


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Location of systems example, DX in unit:

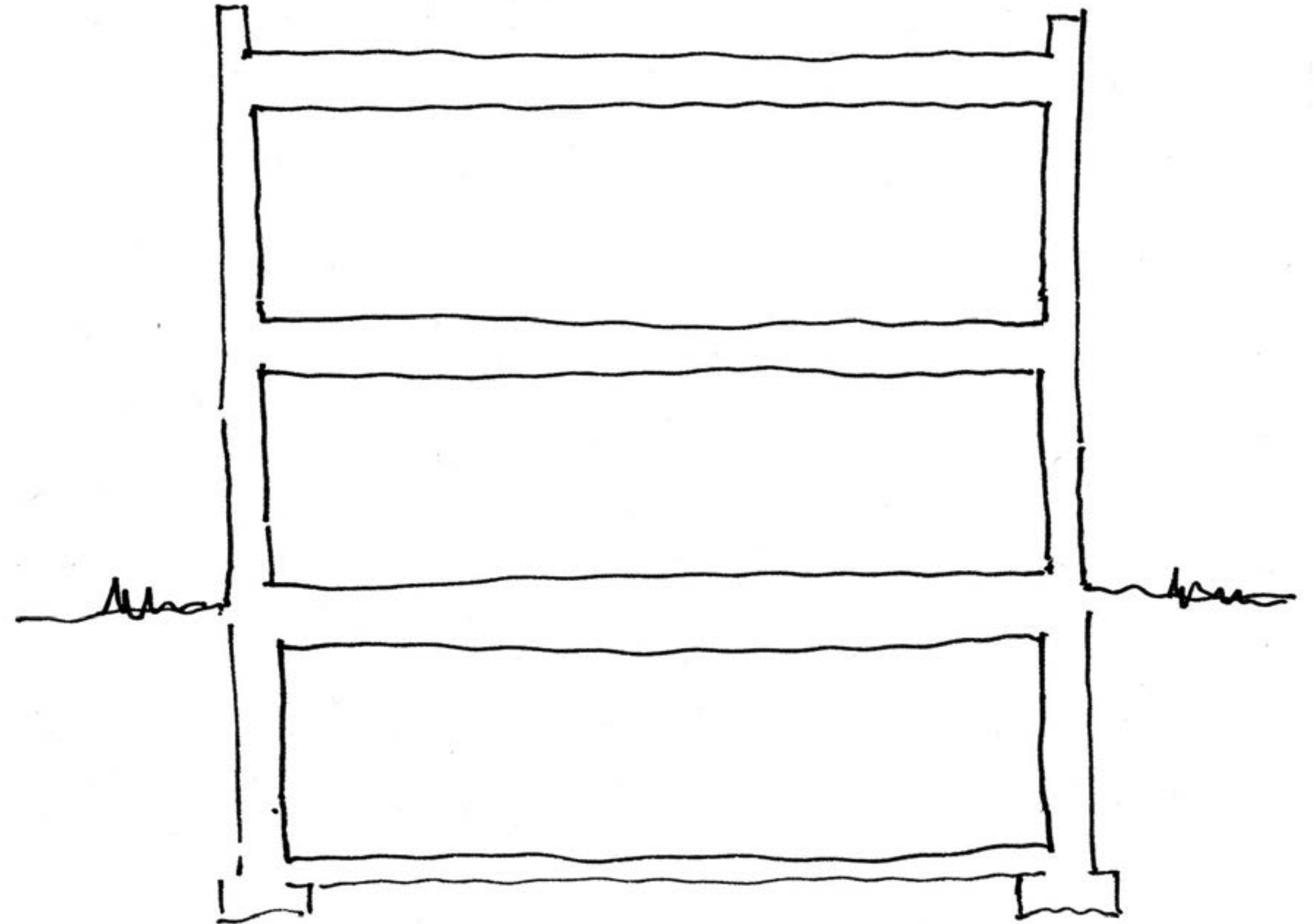


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DX RTU, close up:

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- Static pressure
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Like a hose filled with water, pressure, flow, effort, are all related

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Mechanical design issues:

- Re-heats
- CAV
- VAV
- Booster fans
- Multi-pipe systems



# DETERMINING THE SCALE OF PLUMBING SYSTEMS

Plumbing design issues:

- First, what is the use?
- Second, how large a space is it?
- Third, how many people per square feet?
- Fourth, look up the required number of fixtures
- Adjust appropriately
- Occasionally, the number is just not reasonable, so you need to propose a new one

# DETERMINING THE SCALE OF PLUMBING SYSTEMS

Plumbing design issues:

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- Riser diagram to determine how many fixtures are on each line
  - Supply
  - Waste & Vent
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clean outs

shut-offs

branches to FP, etc.

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Plumbing design issues:

- Fixture Units
- Enlarge quickly for first few
- Then very slowly  
(unlikely for everyone to flush at once)
- Then look up table to see the relation between fixture units and pipe diameter
- Then label each pipe on the riser diagram

# DETERMINING THE SCALE OF LIGHTING SYSTEMS

Lighting design issues:

- Zonal Cavity Method

- Work-plane

- Texture

- Color

- Volume

- Dimension

- Height

- Pendant

- light direction %

- Maintenance

- Re-ordering process

- Efficacy

Relationship to natural light

# DETERMINING THE SCALE OF LIGHTING SYSTEMS

Lighting design issues:

- Light types
  - Task
  - Cove
  - Indirect
  - Can, downlight
  - Recessed
  - Pendant
  - Uplight
  - Vanity
  - Decorative
  - Surface

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1. Establish work plane and desired footcandles
2. Gather all the information
3. Start with a guess
4. Go through the calculation
5. Re-evaluate your guess
6. Go through the calculation again
7. Check to make sure that luminaire is actually available



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\*\*\* look at example \*\*\*

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How could you design a system that helps fire fighters locate the fire?

# DETERMINING THE SCALE OF FP SYSTEMS

Fire Protection design issues:

- Standpipes
- Multi connections
- Sprinkler system booster
- Direct fire-fighting
- Ties into alarm system
- Fire extinguishers
  - kitchen
  - computer
  - general distribution
  - fire hoses

# DETERMINING THE SCALE OF ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS

Electrical design issues:

- From power plant to outlet
- Meters and disconnects
- Load centers (panels)
- Circuits
- GFCI, and Arc fault
- Insulation, protection, raceways
- Sizing  
120, 120 / 240, 120 / 208, 277 / 480  
Lag

# DETERMINING THE SCALE OF STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS

Design issues:

- Span
- Bounce
- Deflection
- Buckling
- Bridging / bracing
- Shear walls
- Connections

# DETERMINING THE SCALE OF STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS

Design issues:

- Material
  - Modulus of elasticity
- Shape
  - Moment of Inertia
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The initially crazy looking formula for deflection in a uniformly loaded simple beam...

$$\frac{5 w L^4}{384 E I}$$



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- Two way
- Continuous
- Framing plan

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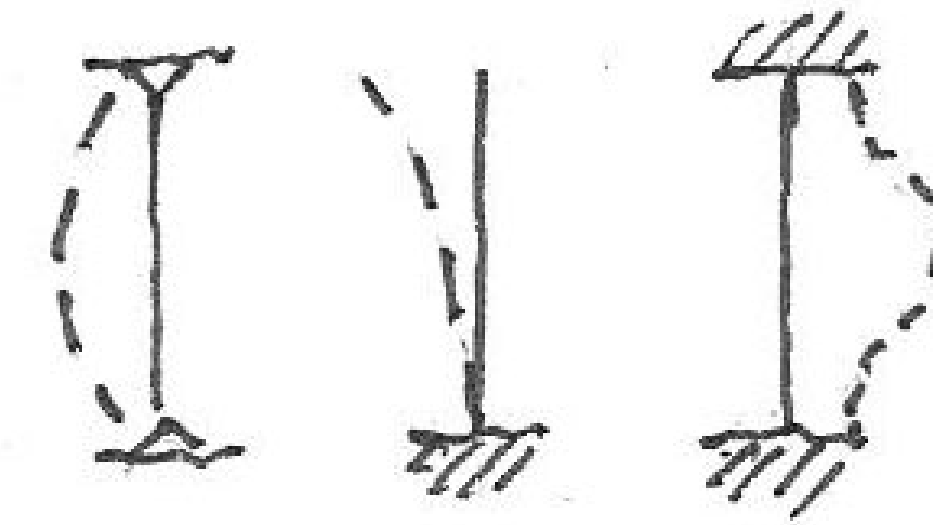
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- Framing plan
  - Decking
  - Joist
  - Beam
  - Girder
  - Column
  - Bearing wall

# DETERMINING THE SCALE OF STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS

Design issues:

- Moment connections
- Pinned connections
- Diaphragms
- Friction



# DETERMINING THE SCALE OF STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS

Design issues:

- Steel
- Concrete
- Wood
- Masonry

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Design issues:

- Tension
- Compression
- Camber
- Neutral axis



# DETERMINING THE SCALE OF STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS

Typical steel design issues:

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Typical steel light gauge design issues:



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Typical masonry design issues:

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Other systems:

## DETERMINING SPECIALTY SYSTEMS

Acoustic issues:

- STC ratings and wall design  
(typical range from 45 to about 70)

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- STC ratings and wall design  
(resilient channels)

# DETERMINING SPECIALTY SYSTEMS

Acoustic issues:

- NRC ratings and finish materials
- NRC btwn 0 and 1

# DETERMINING SPECIALTY SYSTEMS

Emergency and alarm issues:

- Emergency lights
- Exit lights  
(and related signs like “stair”)
- Alarm sound / strobe
- Pull stations
- Fire extinguishers
- Intercoms and emergency communication

# DETERMINING SPECIALTY SYSTEMS

Emergency and alarm issues:

- Areas of refuge
- Communication systems

# DETERMINING SPECIALTY SYSTEMS

Conveying system issues - elevators:

- Car size
- System type  
(pit?, head house?, space for tracks or cables? elevator machine room location?)
- Button locations
- Call systems
- Relation to structure
- Relation to fire ratings
- Relation to ADA issues

# DETERMINING SPECIALTY SYSTEMS

Conveying system issues - Lifts:

- LULA
- Lift
  - (does it need a shaft? how many stops?  
what travel length? etc.)
- Is it for general use, or is it operated?
- Button locations
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# DETERMINING SPECIALTY SYSTEMS

Conveying system issues - Escalators:

- They are big!
- They are thick!

# INTEGRATING MULTIPLE SYSTEMS

Floors to walls:

- Structure vs veneer
- Water repellent
- Insulation
- Movement
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# INTEGRATING MULTIPLE SYSTEMS

Mechanical shafts:

- Fire rating
- One sided build
- Chimney
- Movement
- Firestopping

# INTEGRATING MULTIPLE SYSTEMS

Ceilings to walls:

- Structure vs veneer
- Water repellent
- Insulation
- Movement
- Acoustic control
- Sealant and backer rod
- Capillary break

# INTEGRATING MULTIPLE SYSTEMS

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## QUESTIONS

1. The condo association is getting lots of complaints about sounds traveling from one unit to another. What are a couple of ways that this multi-family residential building could alter the building to make this issue better?
2. What questions should the architect be asking the client when trying to determine the lighting system?
3. What are two advantages of a plenum return system? What about disadvantages?
4. In order to size the heating system for ski chalet, what would the architect need to determine first?

# DOCUMENTING THE BUILDING DESIGN

Keeping track of design concepts:

- Archiving designs
- Dating system
- Coordination with meeting minutes
  
- Opportunity for input
- Seek multiple stakeholders
  
- Clarity of the process
- Clarity of the drawing set's place in that process
  
- Know what is expected
- Manage other's expectations

# DOCUMENTING THE BUILDING DESIGN

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## **Consider**

What to do with BIM models ... they tend to lack the controlled legal narrative specificity of contract documents but they are also way more detailed and explicit than design drawings.

Imagine litigation 4 years later ...

# DOCUMENTING THE BUILDING DESIGN

Keeping track of design concepts:

- Who needs to know what?
- Multiple packages
  - % complete
  - for code officials
  - for GC
  - for funders
  - for different project delivery methods
  - different disciplines

# DOCUMENTING THE BUILDING DESIGN

## Contract documents:

- “A” Title sheet
- Civil
- Landscaping
- (Demo)
- Architecture
- Structural
- Mechanical
- Plumbing
- Electrical
- Fire Protection
  
- Everyone else
  - Lighting, conveyance systems, kitchens
  - acoustic, specialty equipment, etc.

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## Contract documents:

- “A” Title sheet
- General notes, code compliance, etc.
- Site plans
- Floor plans, roof plans
- RCPs
- Elevations
- Sections
- Wall sections
- Interior elevations / detail elevations
- Specific elements
- Exterior details
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## **Consider**

Scale of the project makes a big difference. Hard to imagine that on a small project a contractor will rummage through an entire set of drawings to find a door schedule before they just make an assumption.



# DOCUMENTING THE BUILDING DESIGN

Contract documents:

- Sheets and labels

# DOCUMENTING THE BUILDING DESIGN

Contract documents:

- Size of drawings
  - Plans - 1/4, 1/8, (key plans)
  - Site plans - 1/8, 1/16, 1/32, 40 - 100
  - Elevations - 1/4, 1/8 (key plans)
  - Sections - 1/4, 1/8
  - Wall sections - 3/4, 1/2
  - Detail elevations - 1/2, 3/8
  - Details general - 3, 1 1/2, 1
  - Details millwork - full, 6, 3
- Key Plans

# DOCUMENTING THE BUILDING DESIGN

Contract document tools:

- Column lines
- Key Plans
- Tags
- Schedules
- Main point - have a system  
(ONLY ONE PLACE)

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Contract document tools:

- Dimensions

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# DOCUMENTING THE BUILDING DESIGN

Stages of drawings:

- Dimensions
- Poche
- Notes
- Tags and connections to other drawings

# DOCUMENTING THE BUILDING DESIGN

Project Delivery and Building Codes:

	Design-Bid-Build	Design-Build	Fast-Track	Multiple Prime	Integrated Project Delivery

# DOCUMENTING THE BUILDING DESIGN

## Role of the Project Manual:

- Bidding and Addenda
- Contracts
- Specifications
- Tagging
- CSI
- Essentially the written information for a project



# DOCUMENTING THE BUILDING DESIGN

Role of the Project Manual:

- Part 1 - General
- Part 2 - Products
- Part 3 - Execution

# DOCUMENTING THE BUILDING DESIGN

Role of the Project Manual:

- Proprietary  
vs.
- Performance

# DOCUMENTING THE SITE DESIGN

Site design process:

- Civil  
vs.
- Landscaping  
vs.
- Site Plan

# DOCUMENTING THE SITE DESIGN

Site design process:

- Context
- Legal
- Stormwater
- Textures
- Landscaping
- Parking
- Drive / walks / loading

# DOCUMENTING THE SITE DESIGN

Site design process:

- Electrical
- Water connection
- Fire prevention
  - Fire trucks and access
  - Standpipe access
  - Hydrants
  - Whatever the fire marshal wants
- Other mechanical

# DOCUMENTING THE SITE DESIGN

Site design process:

- Topography
- Accessibility
- In relation to the building components
- In terms of controlling the water flow

# DOCUMENTING THE DETAILS

What should be detailed?

Two basic categories -

- Emblematic (if you draw this, then many other details would be well understood as well)
- Very specific (so no one would be able to know if you didn't draw it out)
- Try not to include it twice (should not just be a clip out of another drawing)

# DOCUMENTING THE DETAILS

What should be detailed?

- Exterior
  - Materials
  - Joints
  - Flashing
  - Movement accommodation
  - Relation to structure
  - Relation to insulated box



# DOCUMENTING THE DETAILS

What should be detailed?

- Interior
  - Materials
  - Finish
  - Joints
  - Movement accommodation
  - Relation to structure
  - Relation to acoustics
  - Relation to fire ratings

# DOCUMENTING THE DETAILS

What should be detailed?

- Windows / doors
  - Jamb
  - Head
  - Sill
  - Other
  - Materials
  - Finish
  - Movement accommodation
  - Relation to structure

# DOCUMENTING THE DETAILS

What should be detailed?

- Stairs and railings
  - Code dimensions
  - Materials
  - Finish
  - Relation to structure
  - ADA info

# DOCUMENTING THE DETAILS

What should be detailed?

- Millwork
- Roofing
- Others
  
- Structural
- Mechanical
- Plumbing
  
- Civil
- Landscaping
  
- Combination
- Special

# APPLYING DRAWING STANDARDS

What standard?

- Office standards
- Project systems
- Regional concepts
- Client needs
- Funder requirements
- Specific code requirements

# APPLYING DRAWING STANDARDS

Readable drawings

- Clarity of information  
vs.
- Legal control of information

# APPLYING DRAWING STANDARDS

## Quality control process

- Internal process (who does what)
- Phase control points
- Outside reviewers
- Use your documents
  - Program
  - Code review
  - Meeting minutes
  - Design control documents

## DOCUMENTING THE PROCESS - CHANGES

What to do when changes are made:

- Review with team
- Manage expectations with clients
- Clarify impact of changes with code officials
- Update drawings
- Clarify updates



## DOCUMENTING THE PROCESS - CHANGES

What to do when changes are made:

- Update drawings
  - Have a system
  - Review by sheet?
  - Review by topic?
  - Review by type of issue (tagging, schedules, drawings, notes, etc.)
- Clarify updates

# DOCUMENTING THE PROCESS - CHANGES

What to do when changes are made:

Documenting change is different for each phase of the design process

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## **Consider**

Communicating a design change with clarity and in a timely manner is not just a good thing to do - It is contractually necessary. Imagine you are a subcontractor who has bid a project and you find out just as the construction is starting that the architects have made a change that impacts your bid costs. What would you do? Stop the project before it starts? Start the project but then try to negotiate during or after the work?

# DOCUMENTING THE PROCESS - CHANGES

What to do when changes are made:

Documenting change is different for each phase of the design process

- Construction Change Directives  
vs.
- Change orders
  
- Addendums

# DOCUMENTING THE PROCESS - CHANGES

What to do when changes are made:

Documenting change during the Bidding phase

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1. Where should the size of the door be shown?
2. You are nervous that the bids are going to come back too high. What are three ways that you could hedge your bets to manage the process without having the overall bid numbers be beyond what the client can handle?
3. What are three ways to make sure that a stakeholder knows there has been a change in the design?
4. The design change from the client mandates an extensive change to the drawings. What would you call the communication of these changes to the contractors?

# DOCUMENTING THE BUILDING DESIGN - PROJECT MANUAL

Identifying the components required for the Project Manual:

- PM or PA or spec writer
- What makes it in?
- What is the type of project?
- Is there an expectation of a specification?
- Is there a need for a “full” spec.?
- Would a “outline specification” suffice?



# DOCUMENTING THE BUILDING DESIGN - PROJECT MANUAL

Identifying the components required for the Project Manual:

- Prioritization

# DOCUMENTING THE BUILDING DESIGN - PROJECT MANUAL

Identifying the components required for the Project Manual:

- Revisions
  - Bubbles (revision clouds)
  - Addenda notes
  - Dated notes on table of contents
  - Separate memos

## QUESTIONS

1. What type of specification should be used if price is the most important issue?
2. Where would you find metal studs in the specification?
3. Within the specification section, where would I find the information regarding the product warranty? How about what sort of protection is required for the installed material?
4. When would you start writing the specification?
5. What is the first thing I would find in the Project Manual?

## DOCUMENTING CODE ADHERENCE

Determine the code related issues that should be documented on the CD sets in order to satisfy the local code officials

- Fire and emergency safety
- Scale and construction types / capacity
- General safety
- ADA issues
- General health & mechanical codes
- Zoning regulations

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- Codes
  - vs.
- Standards
  - UL
  - OSHA
  - ASHRAE
  - ANSI
  
  - ADA
  - FAA
  - Earthquake or Hurricane regulations

## DOCUMENTING CODE ADHERENCE

Determine the code related issues that should be documented on the CD sets in order to satisfy the local code officials

- Fire and emergency safety
  - Wall assemblies
  - Floor assemblies
  - Ability to get out of a building
  - Egress path
  - Egress path distances
  - Relation to sprinklers
  - Scale of structure / type of structure
  - Smoke clearance

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- Scale and construction types
  - Vulnerable people
  - Vulnerable occupancy
  - Vulnerable structural system
- Ability to get out of a building

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- General safety
  - Width of egress
  - Stair dimensions
  - OSHA issues

Essentially, how to make building components that people expect and therefore will interact with safely

## DOCUMENTING CODE ADHERENCE

Determine the code related issues that should be documented on the CD sets in order to satisfy the local code officials

- ADA issues
  - Dimensions of movement
  - Reach ranges
  - Responses to types of disability
  - Moving people through
  - Maintaining and signage

Does the project meet Fair Housing Act?

Does it meet the ADA?

Is it a public amenity?

## DOCUMENTING CODE ADHERENCE

Determine the code related issues that should be documented on the CD sets in order to satisfy the local code officials

- General health & mechanical codes
  - Maintaining the light and vent
  - Maintaining a reasonable temperature
  - Is plumbing system adequate?
  - Is plumbing system safe?
  - Electrical safety in sizing
  - Electrical safety in relation to people
  - Does the fire protection system work?
  - Relationship between the fire protection egress system
  - Etc. etc. etc.

## DOCUMENTING CODE ADHERENCE

Determine the code related issues that should be documented on the CD sets in order to satisfy the local code officials

- Zoning regulations
  - Site dimensions
  - Allowed / permitted
  - Scale / massing
  - Open spaces
  - Parking / loading
  - Street types

Covenants / Easements

Does the project help the City from a health, safety, and welfare standpoint

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### **Consider**

You have received a permit! Thank god you got the project through the system, now we don't have to worry about it.

Right?

## QUESTIONS

1. What is the minimum height of an electrical outlet in an ADA housing unit?
2. If I was a code official, where would I look to find the ability of the project to withstand the spread of fire from one apartment unit to another?
3. How many egress stairwells are there in the office building?
4. You want to build a building larger than what is allowed by code ... what are your options?
5. How do code officials regulate uses and occupancies in a given location?

# ANALYZING CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATES

Cost estimating through the project:

- Pre contract
- Programming
- SD
- DD
- CD
- Bidding
- Comparing to original expectations

# ANALYZING CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATES

Cost estimating through the project:

- Pre contract Comparables
- Programming Square foot
- SD Unit
- DD Assemblies (by square foot and linear foot)
- CD Full breakouts
- Bidding Apples to apples
- CA Check and gut check



# ANALYZING CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATES

Bidding process:

- Description letter (Bid letter)
- Bid Form
- Add alternates
- Deduct alternates
- Unit pricing
- Performance specs (vs proprietary specs)
- The point is to have enough information that you can meet the owner's needs

# ANALYZING CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATES

Comparing estimates:

- Different breakdowns
- Following the requirements
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- Re-bid, if necessary
- Re-draw, if necessary
- Re-design, if necessary

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## **Consider**

You are nervous about the pricing, so as a precaution you get “unit pricing” on 42 different line items.

# ANALYZING CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATES

Estimate situations:

- Design Bid Build
- Design Build
- Construction Manager
- Multiple Prime
- Negotiated Bid
- Sealed Bid

# ANALYZING CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATES

Comparing estimates:

- Regional differences
- Project type differences
- Funder differences
- Bidding climate
- Local rates
- Specific materials

## QUESTIONS

1. When you receive a bid, what will it be compared to?
2. You are designing a complicated office building for a local developer and they want to know if the contractor they have been working with is giving them a good deal. What are your choices?
3. What is the advantage of going with Design Bid Build project delivery when it comes to pricing and estimates?
4. Regarding pricing and estimates, what is the advantage of going with a CM (construction manager project delivery)?
5. What is the rule of thumb about choosing between add-alts and deduct-alts for bid forms?