

# MANIFESTO

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## A MANUAL AGAINST TYPOLOGICAL STEREOTYPES

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This thesis is entitled “*Zero Type: a manual against typological stereotypes*”, and is structured in such a way as to become an instruction manual for the design of a residential building typologically flexible.

The basic idea is to look for a “zero” type, a model which can be followed in the design process in the respect to the needs of users.

The research work that accompanies this thesis is based on the identification of solutions capable of responding to the new housing demands.

We intend to investigate the theme of *spatial flexibility* from a typological point of view, drawing on the experience of nineteenth Century historical building to suggest solutions capable of withstanding over time.

In the first part of this thesis we explore the notion of *flexibility*, which is reflected in the multiplicity of strategies and solutions found in modern and contemporary buildings.

In particular, we intend to verify the characteristics of the typological flexibility, which were found predominantly in the residential heritage built in the nineteenth Century, and already introduced by LAN Architecture in the exhibition

“*Hausmann’s modele de ville*” through research on Haussmanian Parisian buildings.

The thesis develops the theme of typological flexibility through the following points: the *volume* of the space; *neutrality* of the plan and the facade; *polyvalence* of the living space; *modularity* and *distributive characters* to allow different aggregations of residential nuclei; the *uniformity* of the design arrangements.

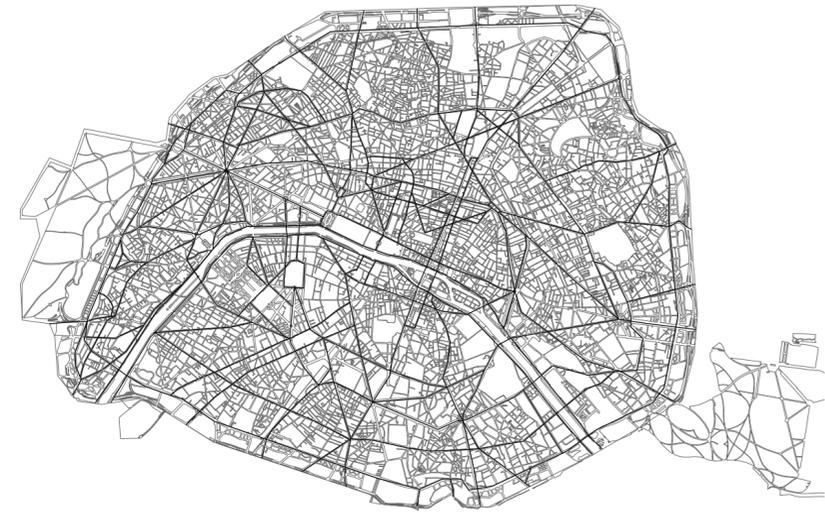
The last part of the thesis is the “putting into practice” of all the theoretical issues that compose this manual in order to realize a project typologically flexible. The site is in the intersection of Viale Tunisia and Via Lecco, in the Lazzaretto district (Milan).

The project that we propose wants to try to give qualified answer to the demand for differentiated housing, compared to the atrophy of the offer present today on the real estate markets. Today we assist to a housing offer which continues to reaffirm the functionalist paradigms of the Modern Movement in residential construction, seeking to recover the adaptive and resilient typology typical of nineteenth Century residential construction.

# ANALYSIS

## Plan Haussmann

Paris, France, 1853



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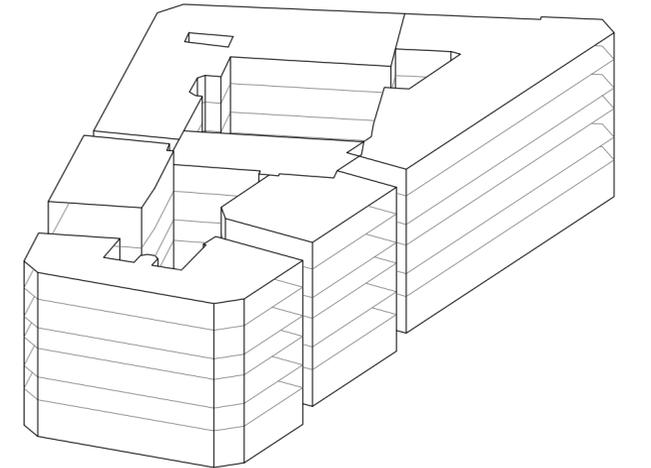
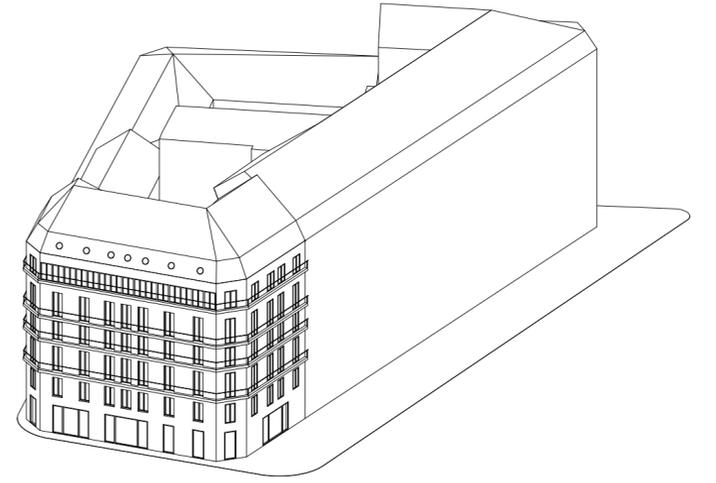


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47, Boulevard De Malesherbes



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ZERO TYPE

# ANALYSIS

## Plan Cerdà

Barcelona, Spain, 1860



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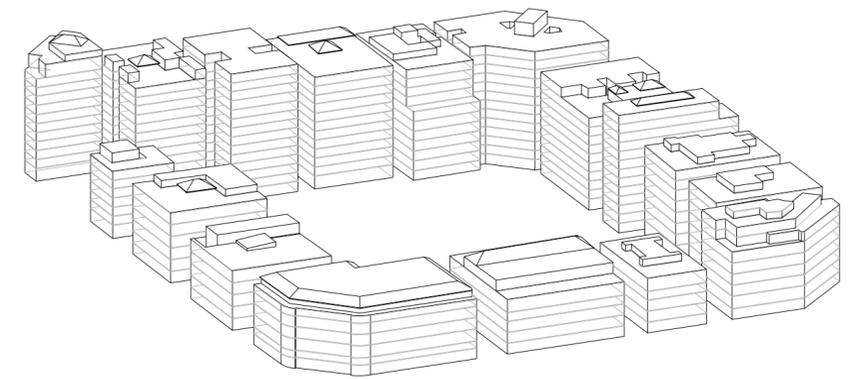
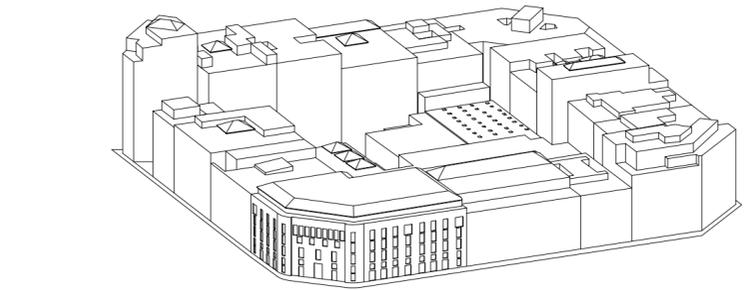


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## 33, Cas d'Ausiàs Marc



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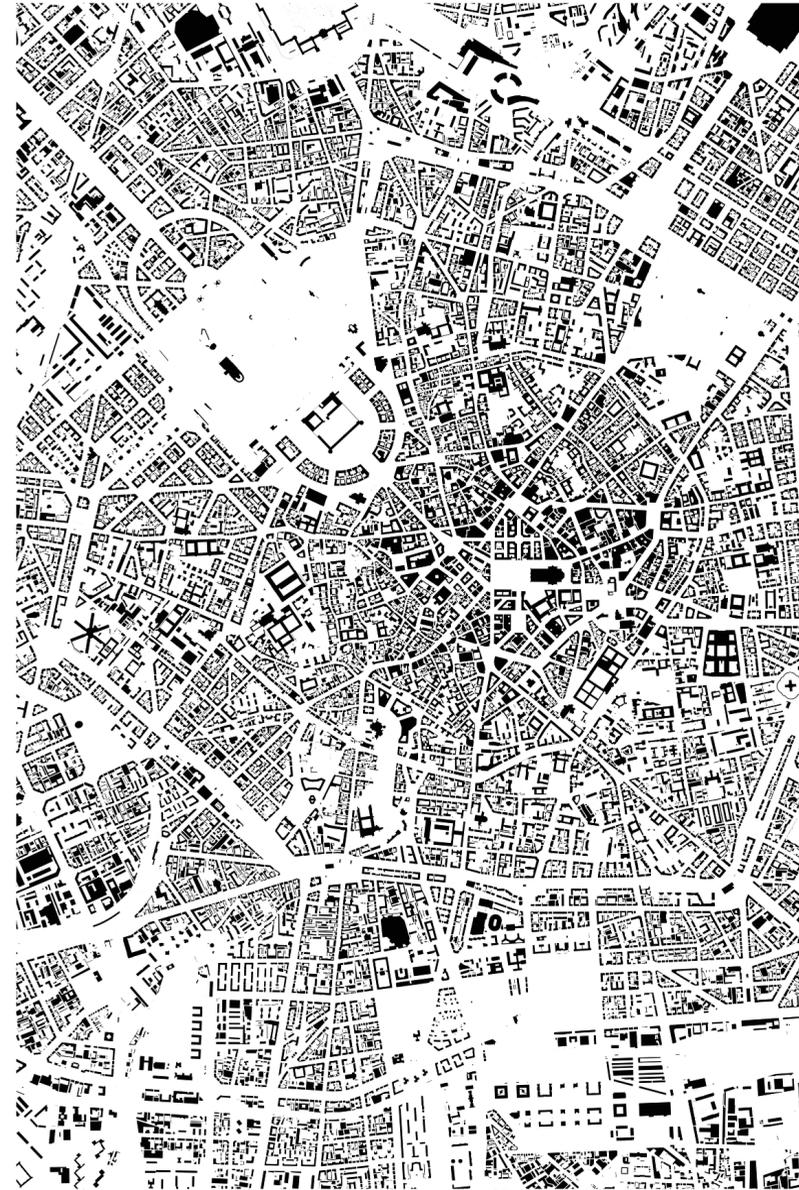
ZERO TYPE

# ANALYSIS

Piano Beruto  
*Milan, Italy, 1884*



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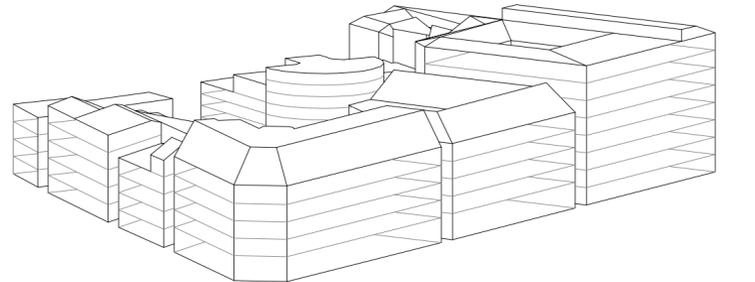
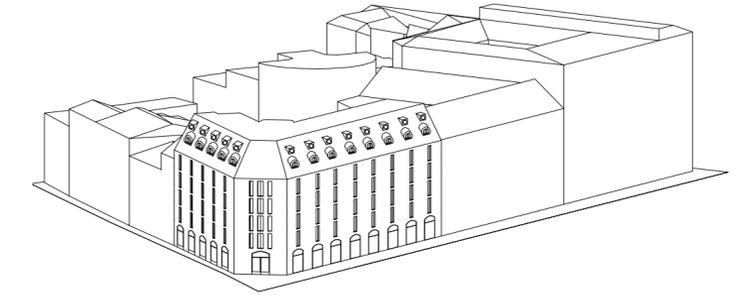


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5, Via Dante



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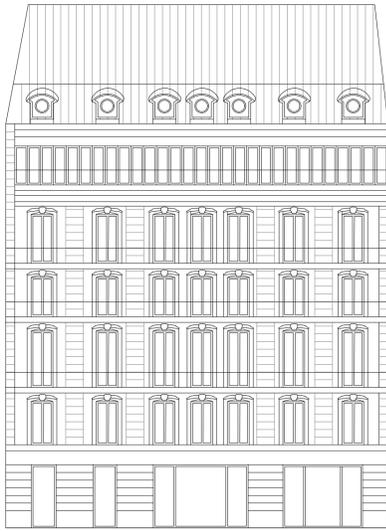
# MAPPING CHARACTERISTICS

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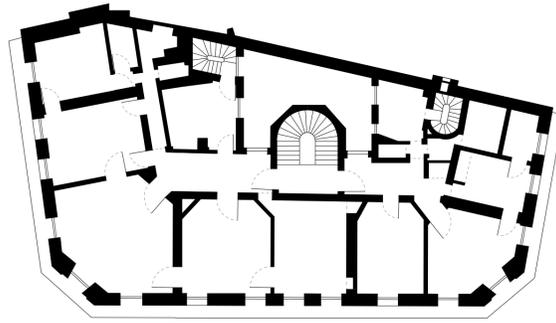
Paris, France, 1860

Architect : Blondel

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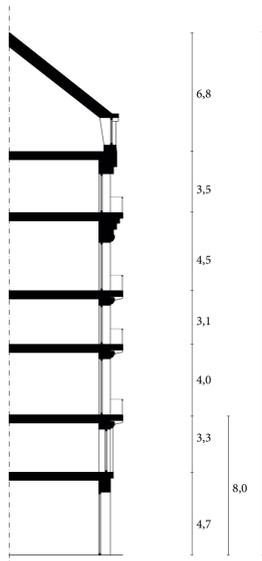
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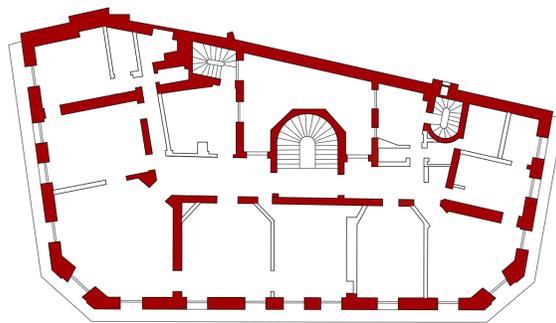
Typical residential floor plan



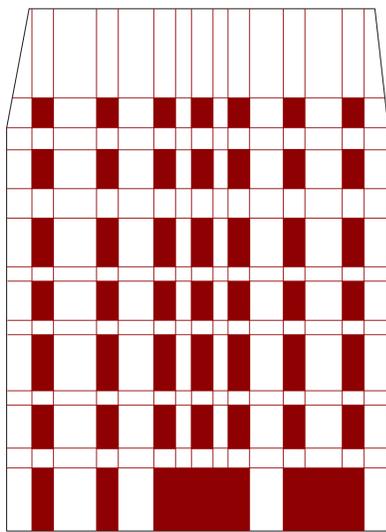
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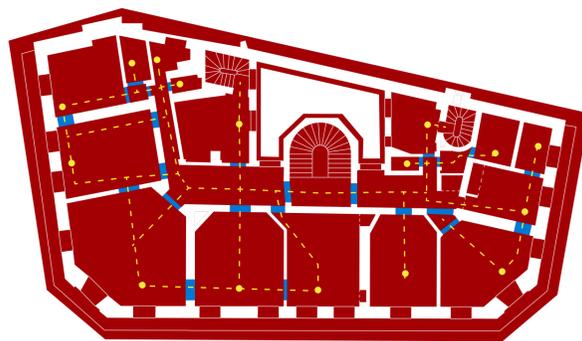
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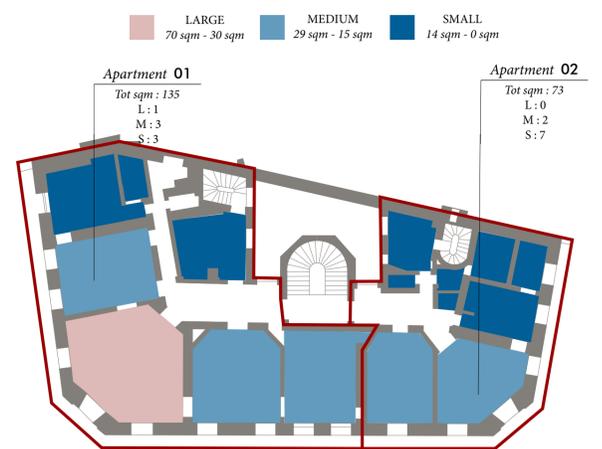
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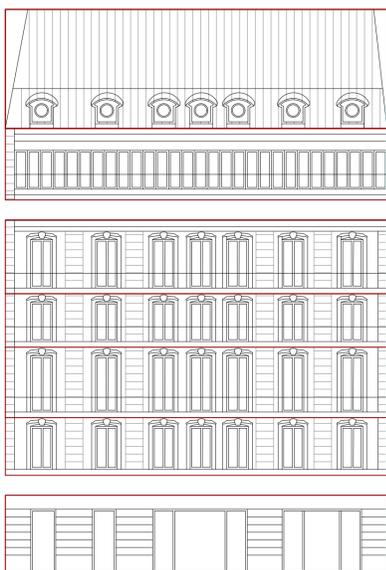
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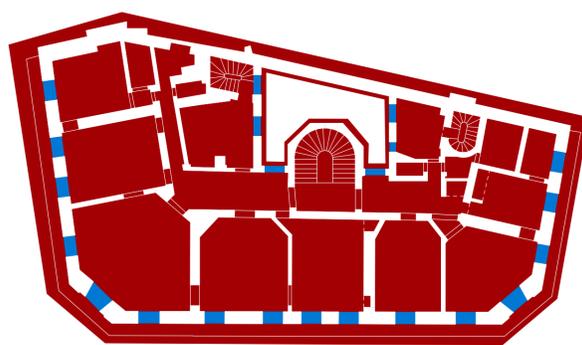
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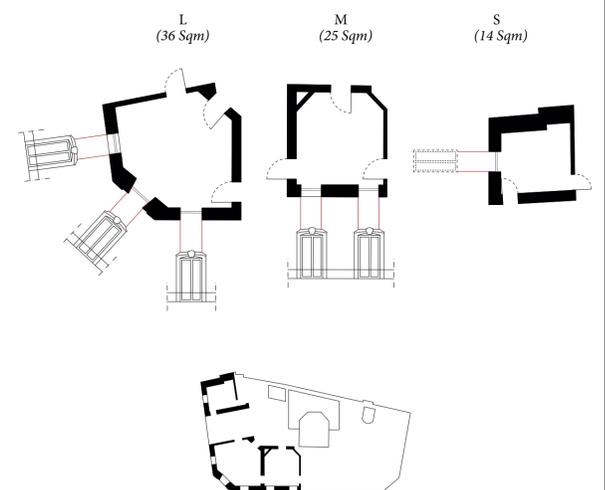
Plan composition



Facade composition



Windows redundancy



Rooms and windows Hierarchy

# MAPPING CHARACTERISTICS

## Abacus of elevations and blocks

Elevation

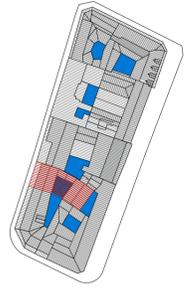
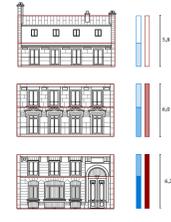
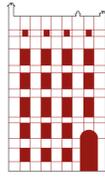
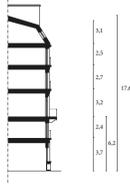
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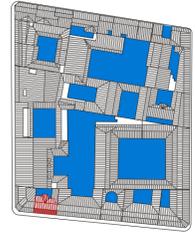
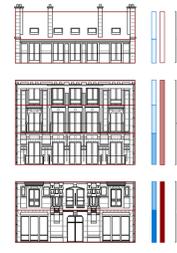
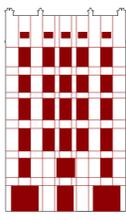
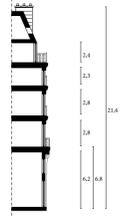
Facade composition

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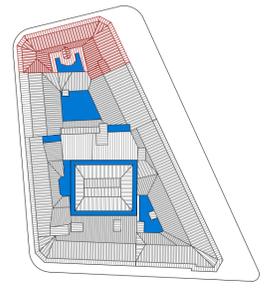
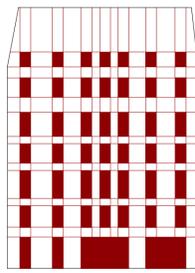
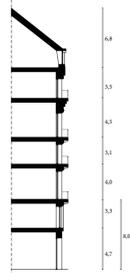
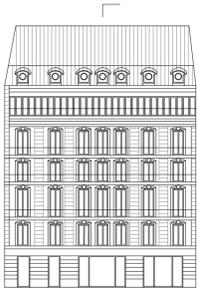
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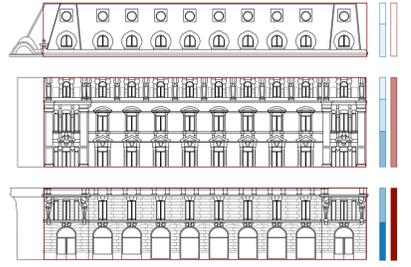
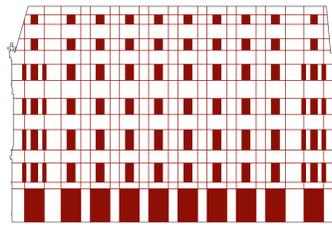
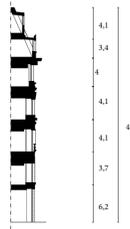
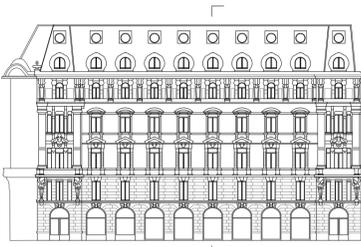
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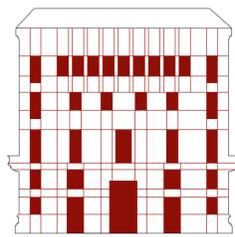
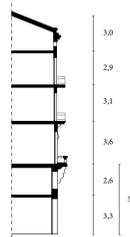
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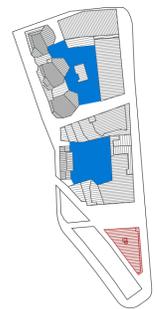
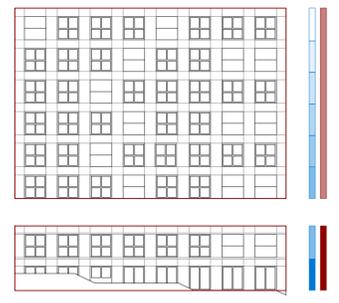
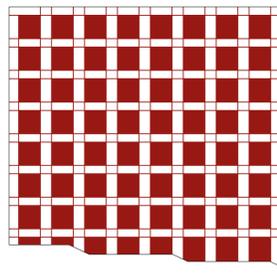
5, Via Dante  
1891



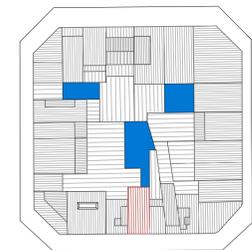
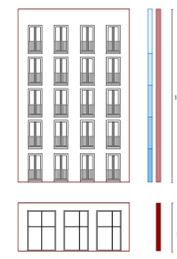
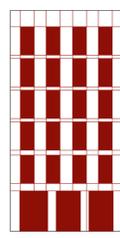
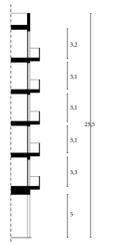
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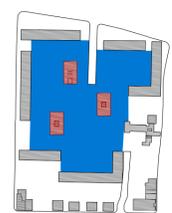
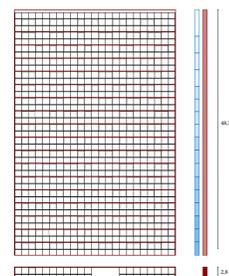
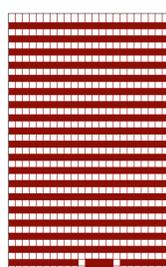
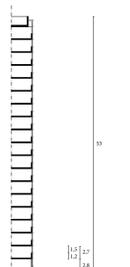
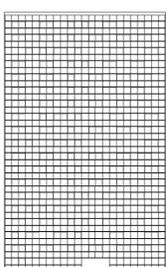
4-10, Rue George picquard  
2015



203, Carrer de Provenca  
2016



Urban Renovation Lormont  
2015



# MAPPING CHARACTERISTICS

## Abacus of plans

Typical residential floor plan

Structural clarity

Circular distribution

Windows redudance

Plan composition

Rooms and windows Hyerarchy

■ Small ■ Medium ■ Large

L 19 sqm M 14 sqm S 7 sqm

L 29.5 sqm M 13 sqm S 3.5 sqm

L 36 sqm M 25 sqm S 14 sqm

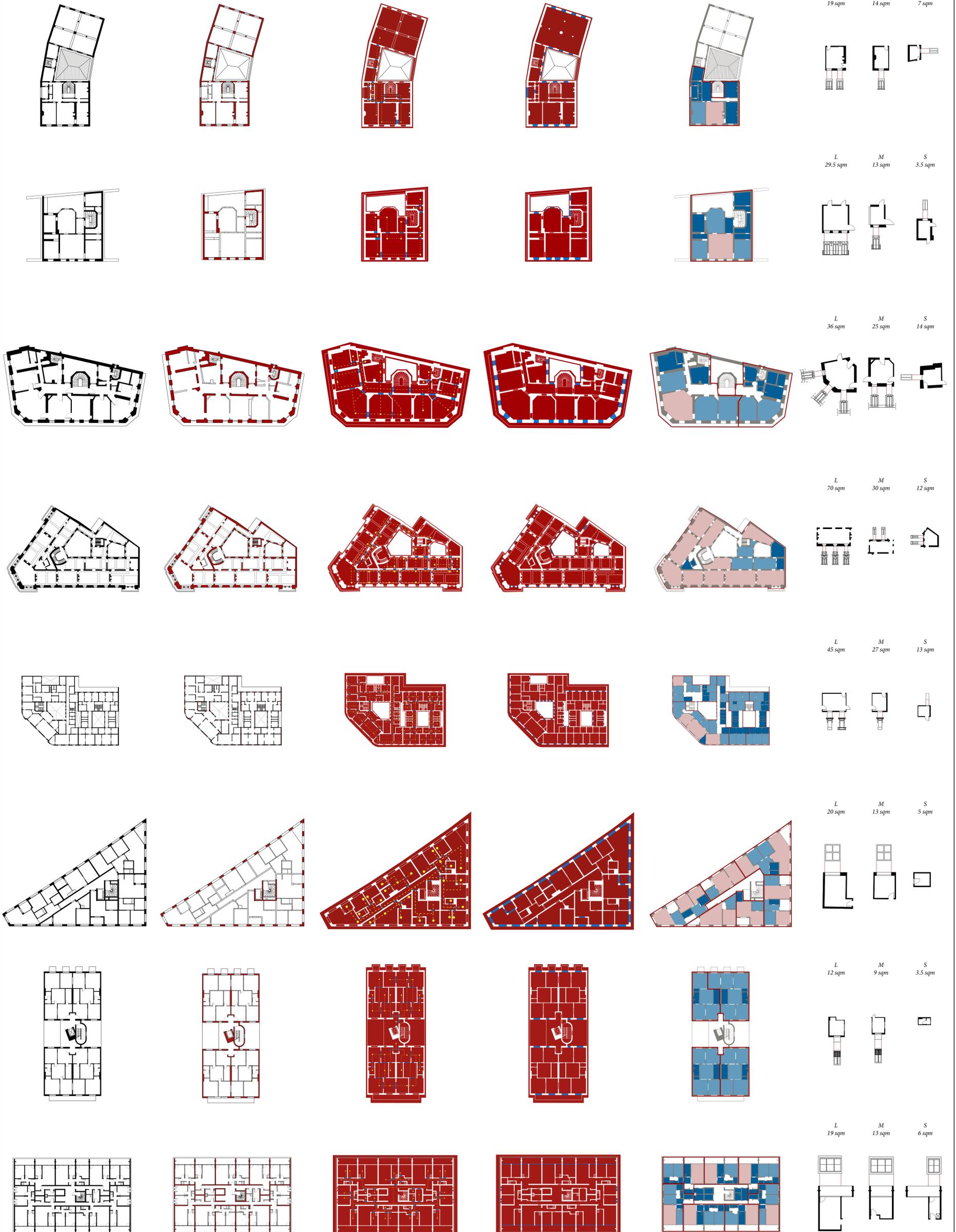
L 70 sqm M 30 sqm S 12 sqm

L 45 sqm M 27 sqm S 13 sqm

L 20 sqm M 13 sqm S 5 sqm

L 12 sqm M 9 sqm S 3.5 sqm

L 19 sqm M 13 sqm S 6 sqm



# ANALYSIS

Piano Beruto

Milan, Italy, Lazzaretto District



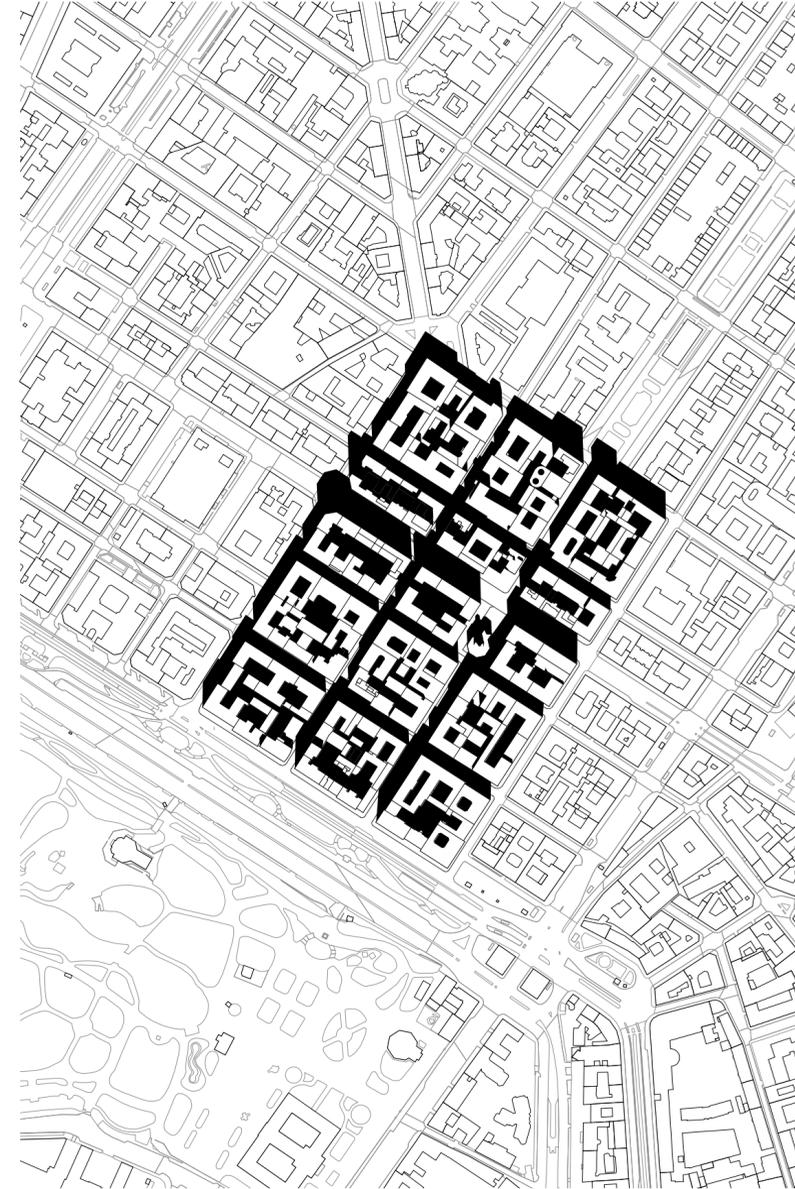
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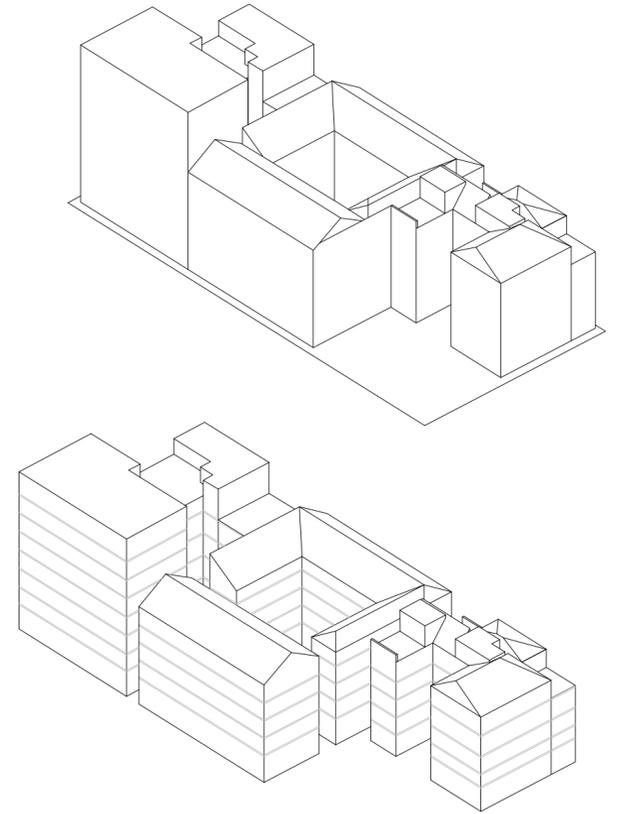


0 1000 m



0 200 m

33, Cas d'Ausiàs Marc



0 40 m

ZERO TYPE

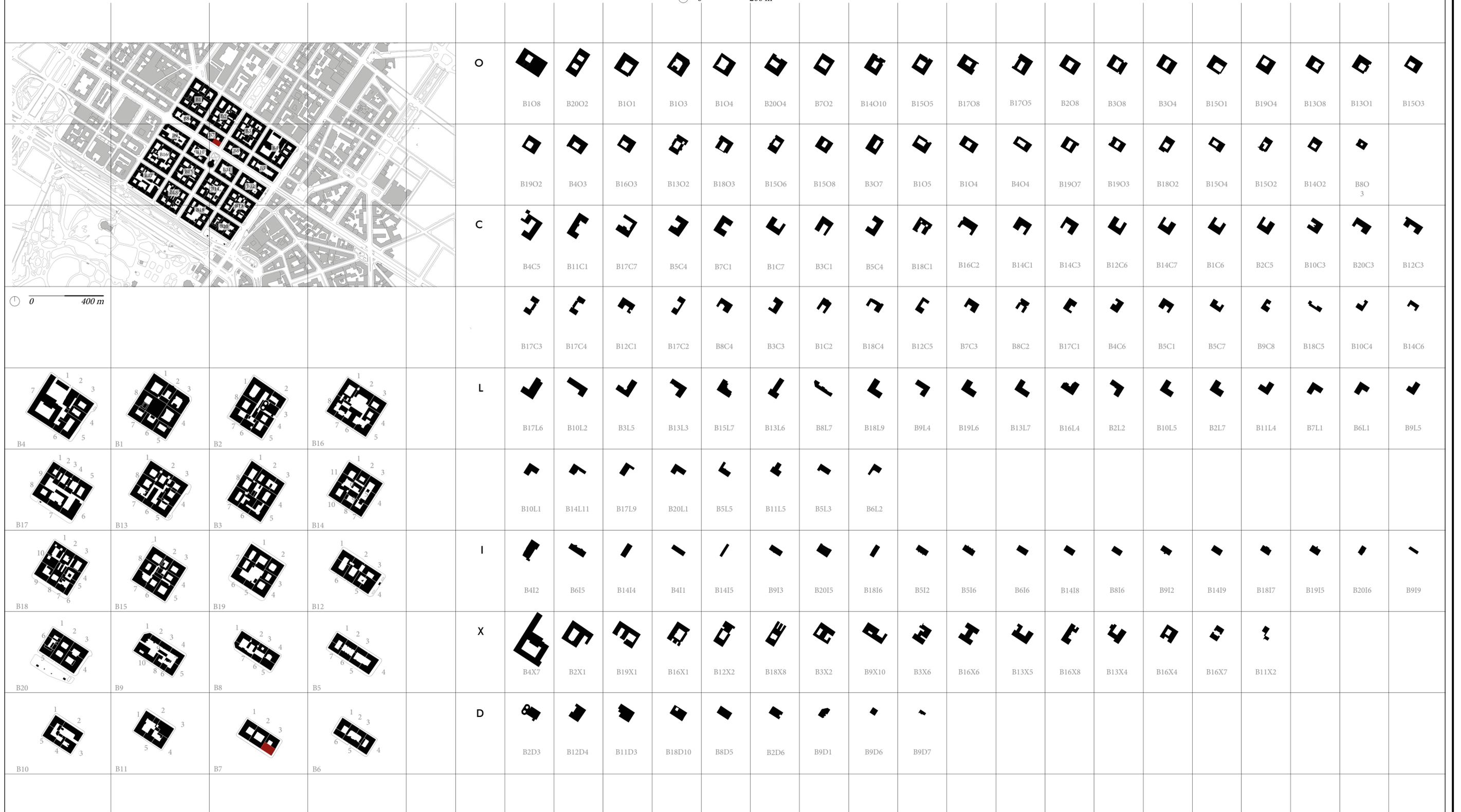
# MAPPING TYPOLOGIES

Lazzaretto neighborhood

Masterplan

Blocks and Typologies classification

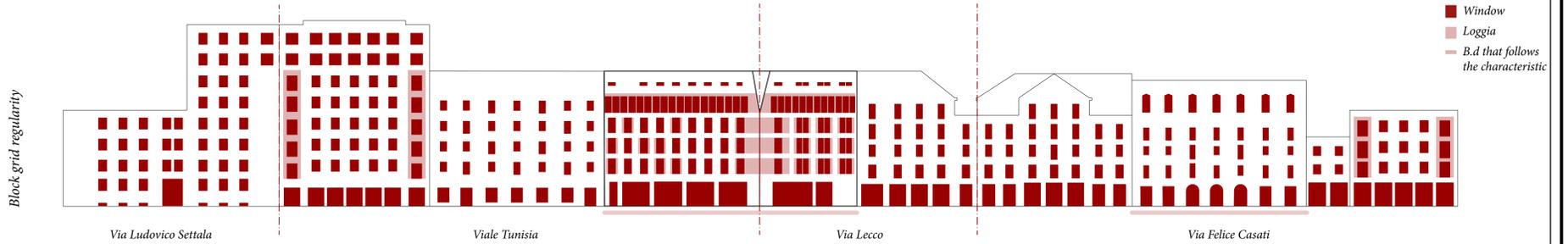
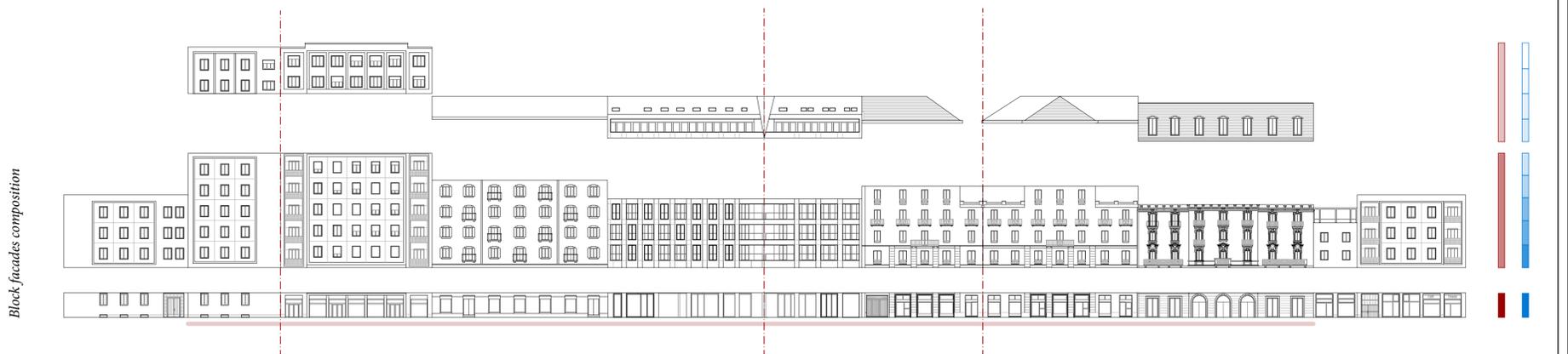
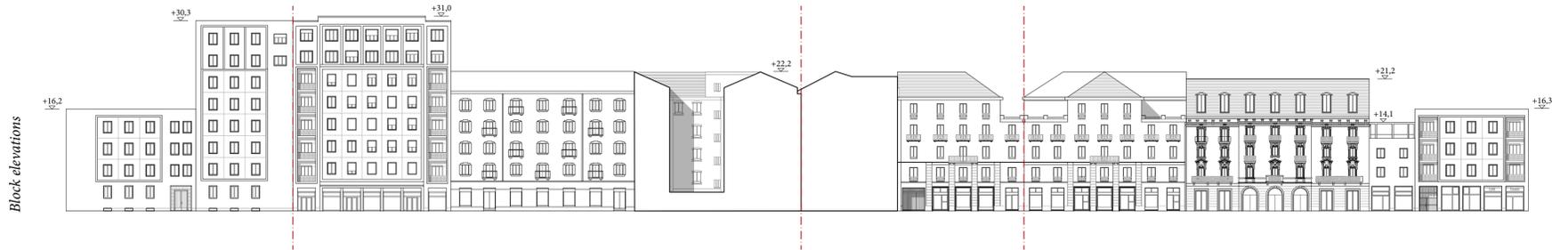
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# FACADE COMPOSITION

Open box neighborhood analysis

0 20 m

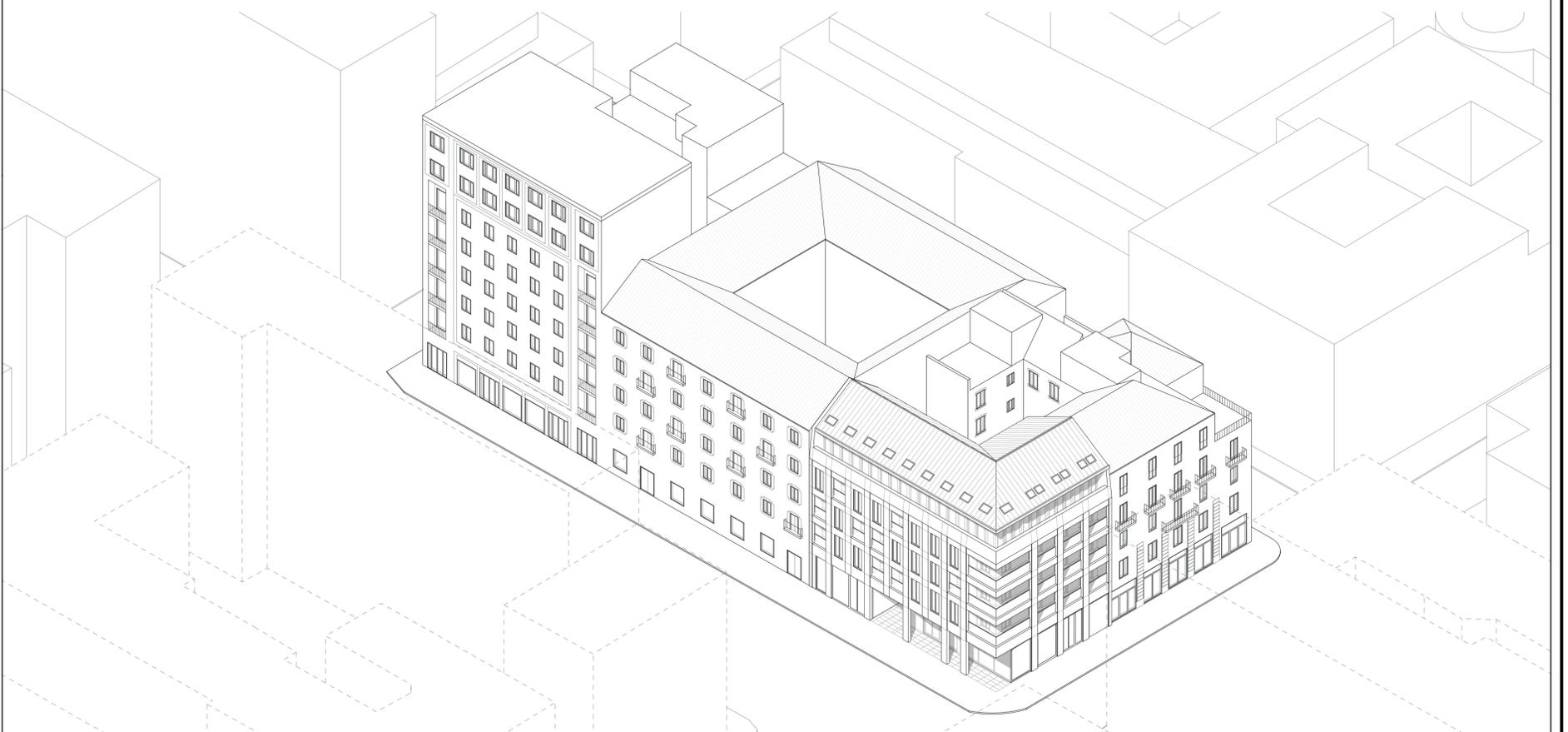


Via Ludovico Settala

Viale Tunisia

Via Lecco

Via Felice Casati



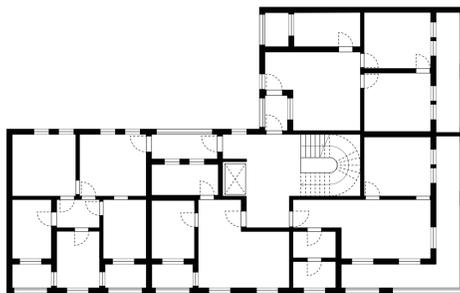
# MAPPING CHARACTERISTICS

9, Via Lecco  
Milan, Italy

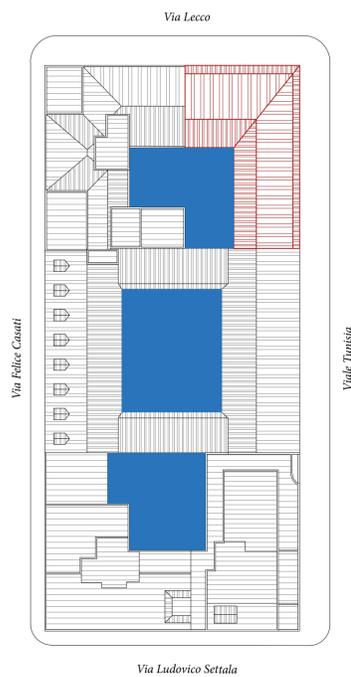
0 10 m



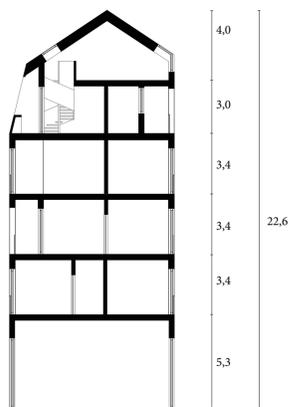
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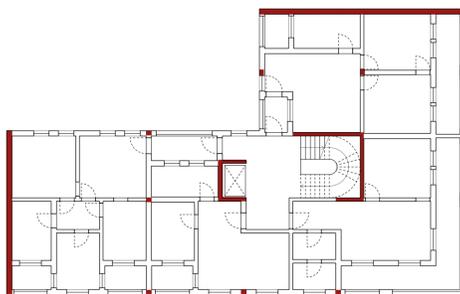
Typical residential floor plan



0 25 m  
Block vertical porosity

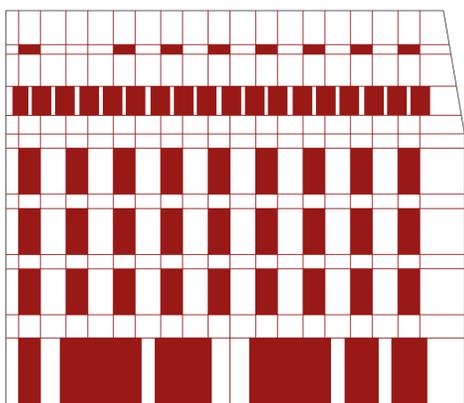


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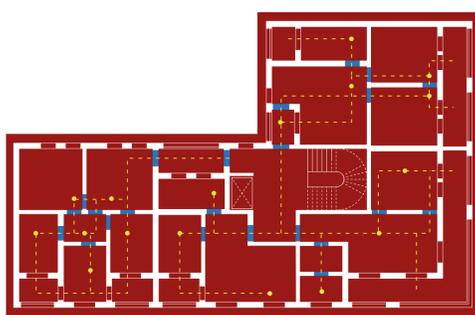


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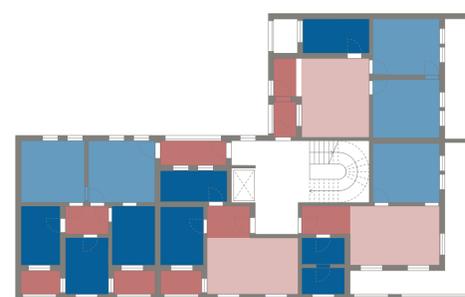
■ LARGE 70 sqm - 30 sqm  
■ MEDIUM 29 sqm - 15 sqm  
■ SMALL 14 sqm - 0 sqm  
■ EXTRA SMALL 14 sqm - 0 sqm



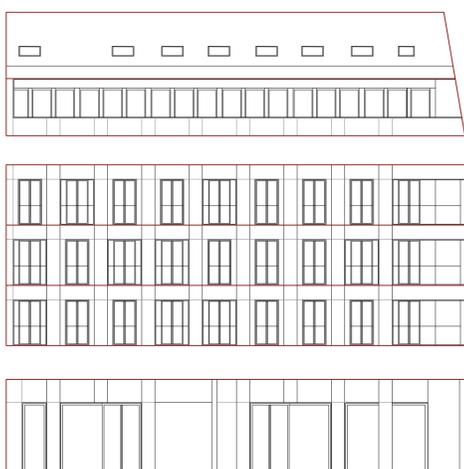
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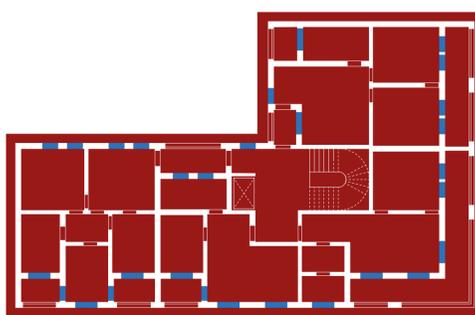
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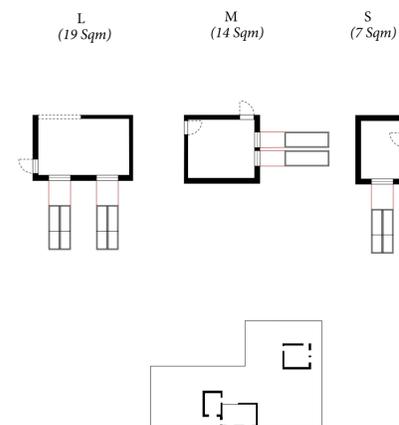
Plan composition



Facade composition



Windows redundance

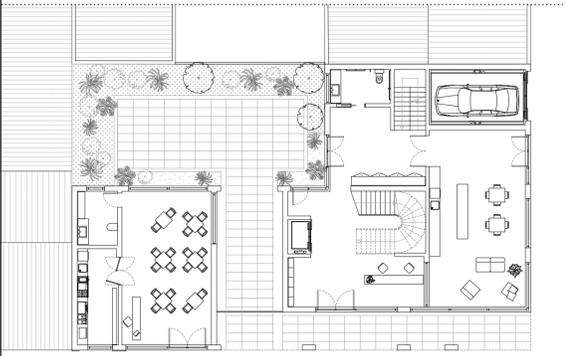


Rooms and windows Hierarchy

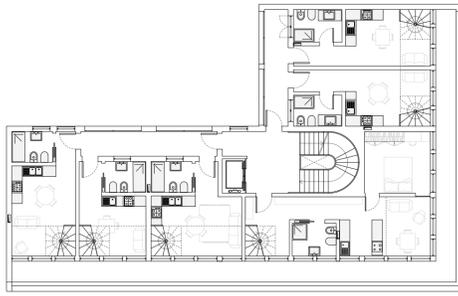
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Plans and elevation

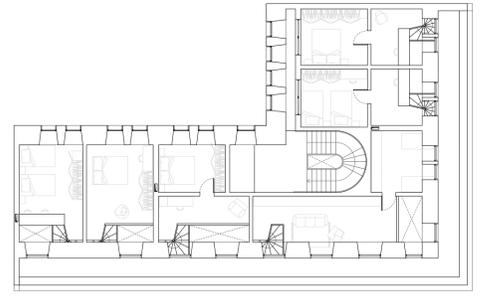
0 4 m



Groundfloor plan



Duplex fourth floor plan



Duplex fifth floor plan



Typical floor plan

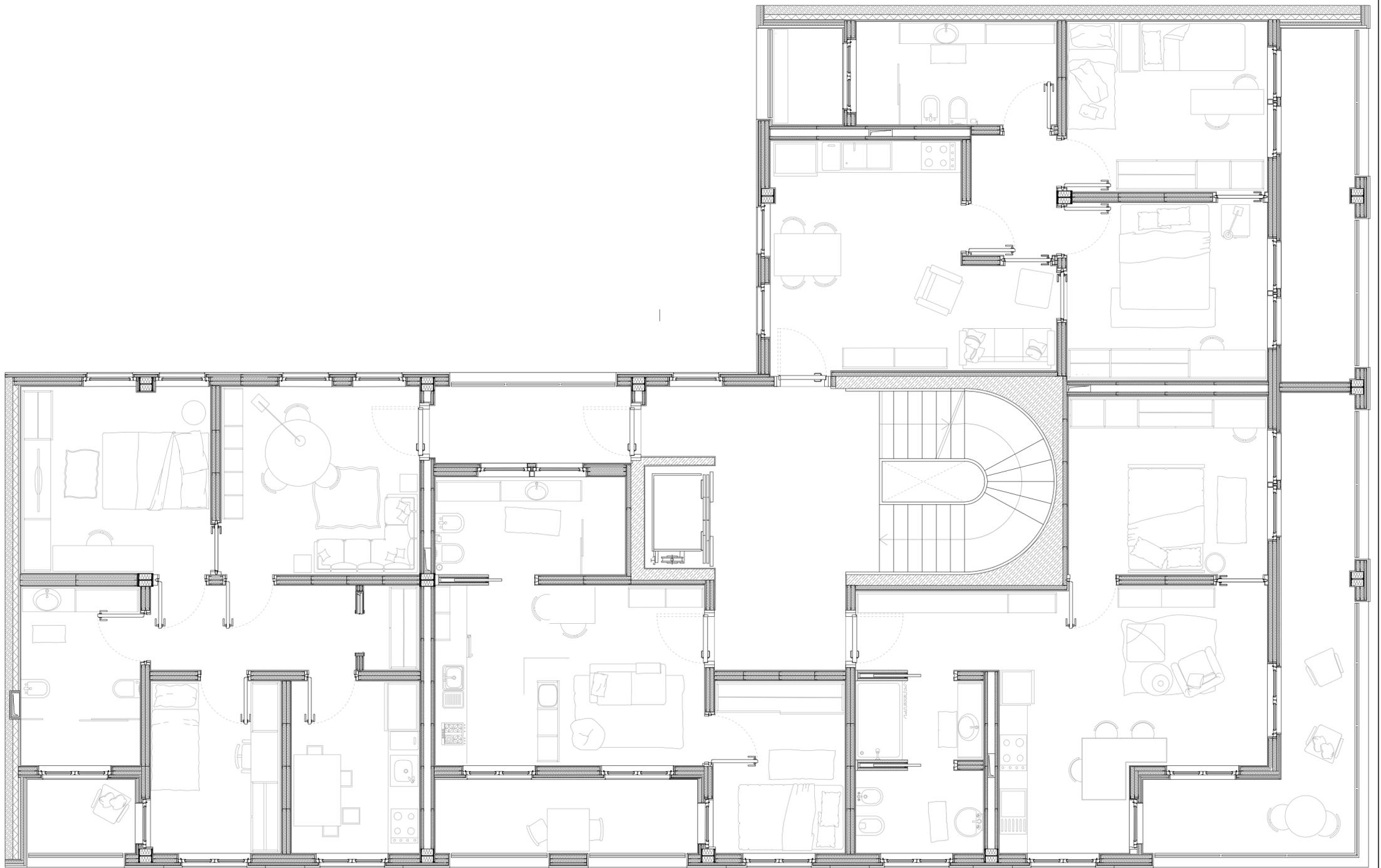




# PROJECT ZOOM-IN

Typical floor plan

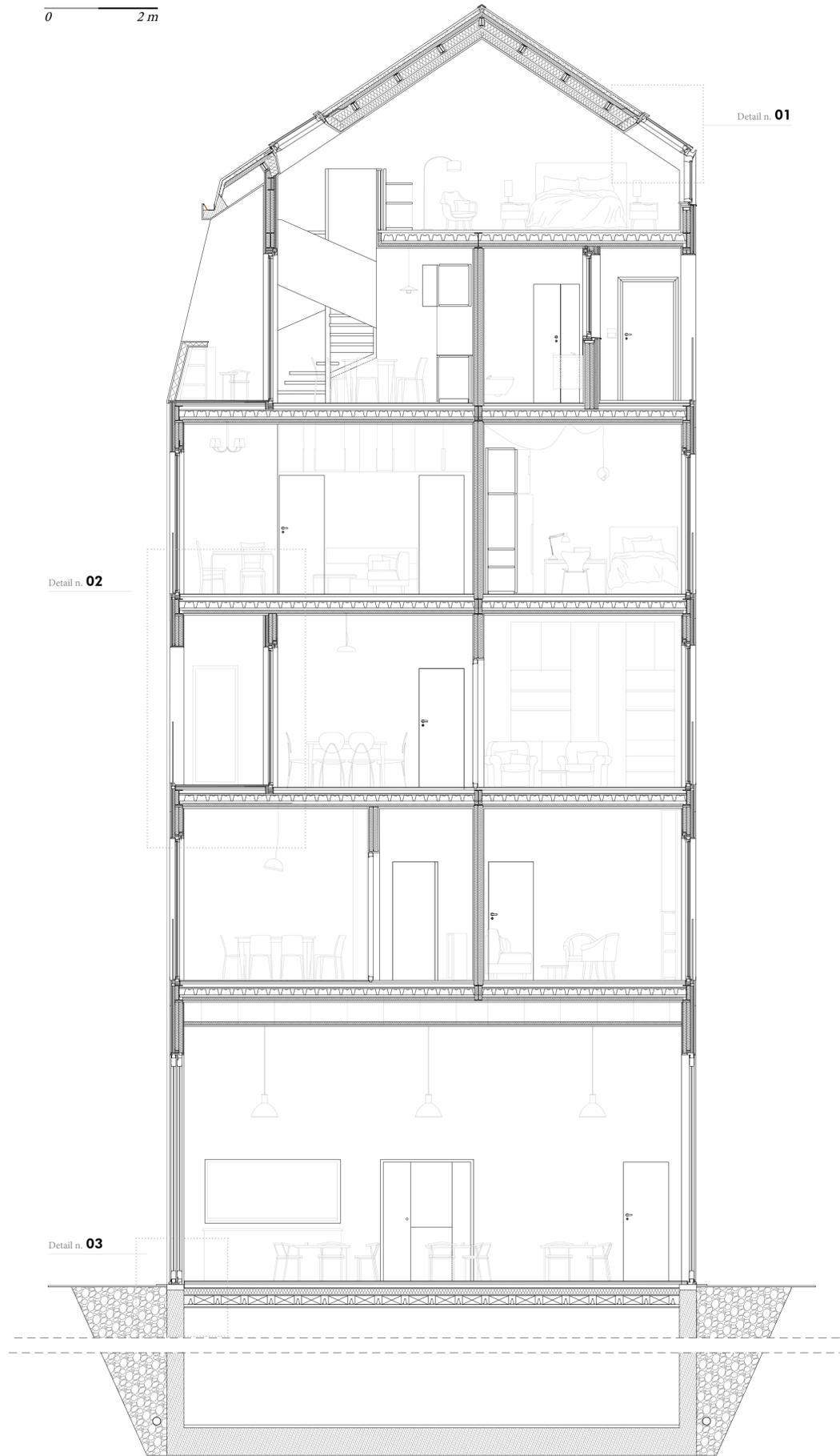
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# PROJECT ZOOM-IN

## Cutout elevation, A-A' section, Details

0 2 m

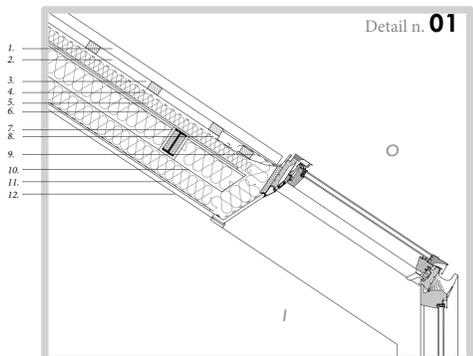


Detail n. 01

Detail n. 02

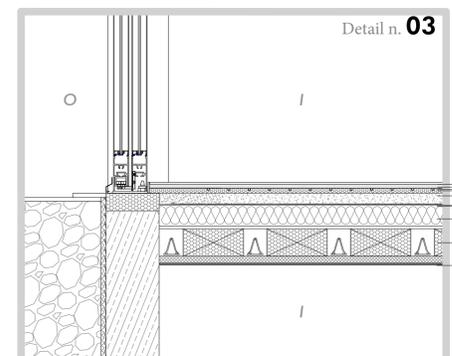
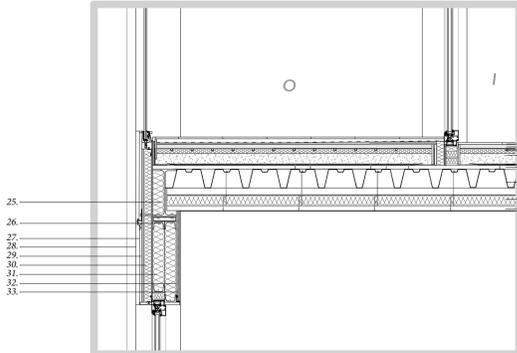
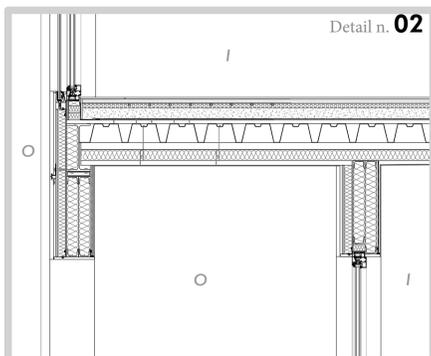
Detail n. 03

0 1 m



- |     |   |             |
|-----|---|-------------|
| 1.  | Roof - Prefalz covering system                      | th. 6 cm    |
| 2.  | Ventilated roof, emptiness                          | th. 8 cm    |
| 3.  | Support joists                                      | th. 8 cm    |
| 4.  | XDP vapor permeable layer                           |             |
| 5.  | Rock wool insulation                                | th. 7 cm    |
| 6.  | Principal beam IPE 300                              |             |
| 7.  | Secondary beam IPE 140                              |             |
| 8.  | Water drainage gutter                               |             |
| 9.  | Roof supporting profile                             |             |
| 10. | Double layer of rock wool insulation                | th. 26 cm   |
| 11. | XDP vapor permeable layer                           |             |
| 12. | Plasterboard sheet                                  | th. 1,25 cm |
| 13. | Flooring: Parquet                                   | th. 1 cm    |
| 14. | Gypsum-fiber layer                                  | th. 2,3 cm  |
| 15. | Double layer of load sharing in galvanized steel    | th. 0,2 cm  |
| 16. | Pre-shaped insulating panel in expanded polystyrene | th. 2,8 cm  |

0 1 m



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|-----|---|-------------|
| 17. | Bed base with granular inert in perlite                       | th. 6 cm    |
| 18. | Waterproof case layer   |             |
| 19. | Corrugated cardboard layer                                    | th. 4,5 mm  |
| 20. | OSB panel   | th. 2,2 cm  |
| 21. | Fretted sheet   | th. 2 mm    |
| 22. | Rock wool panel insulation                                    | th. 12 cm   |
| 23. | Plasterboard sheet  | th. 1,25 cm |
| 24. | Finish  | th. 0,5 cm  |
| 25. | Steel beam IPE 270  |             |
| 26. | Steel profile type C.65                                       |             |
| 27. | Ventilated facade, emptiness                                  | th. 1 cm    |
| 28. | Stone slabs, Pietra di Trani                                  | th. 3 cm    |
| 29. | Ateel pillar HEA 280  |             |
| 30. | Pre-shaped insulating panel in expanded polystyrene           | th. 5 cm    |
| 31. | Double layer of insulation                                    | th. 15 cm   |
| 32. | Plasterboard sheet  | th. 1,25 cm |
| 33. | Finish  | th. 0,5 cm  |
| 34. | Insulation layer of lana di roccia                            | th. 12 cm   |
| 35. | Structures in predalles slabs with lightened concrete casting | th. 15 cm   |
| 36. | Plasterboard panels   | th. 2 cm    |

# APARTMENTS FLEXIBILITY

## Abacus I

0 10 m

Fixed furniture

Daily movement

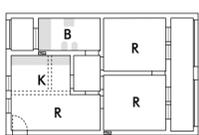
Circulation

### APARTMENT LA

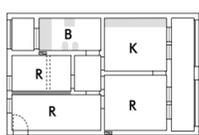


LARGE  
70 > 56 sqm

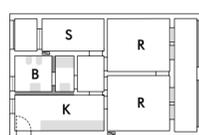
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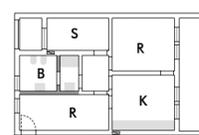
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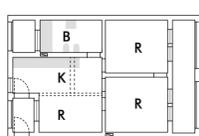


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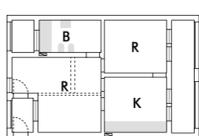


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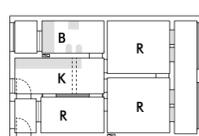
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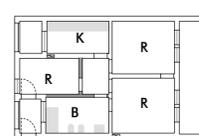
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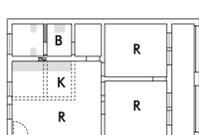


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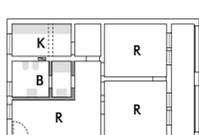


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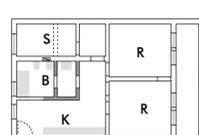
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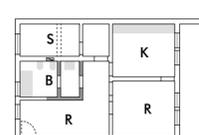
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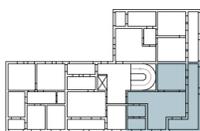


LA3.c



LA3.d

### APARTMENT MB



MEDIUM  
55 > 41 sqm

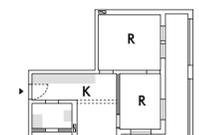
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MB1.a



MB1.b

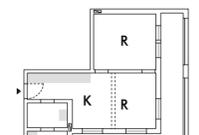


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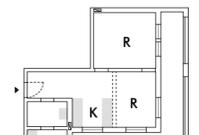


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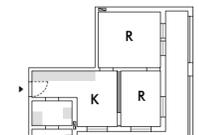
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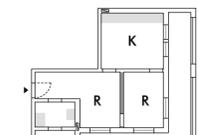
MB2.a



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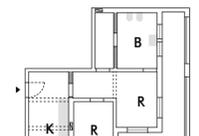


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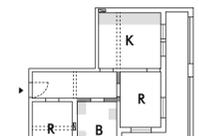
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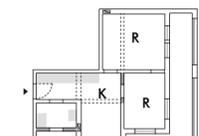
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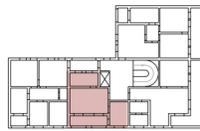


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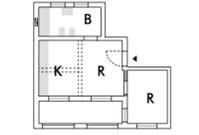
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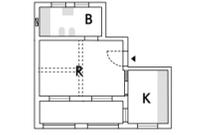


SMALL  
40 > 30 sqm

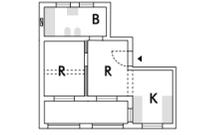
Apartment SC1 = 2R 1B 1K = 33 sqm + loggia 7 sqm



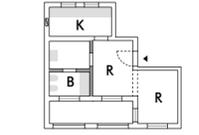
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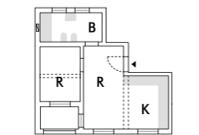


SC1.c



SC1.d

Apartment SC2 = 2R 1B 1K = 37 sqm + loggia 3 sqm



SC2.a

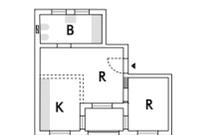


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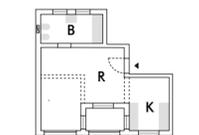


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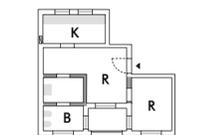
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SC3.a



SC3.b



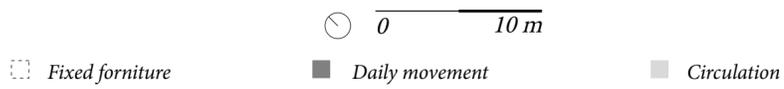
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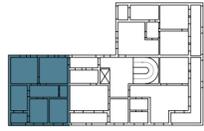
# APARTMENTS FLEXIBILITY

## Abacus II

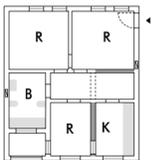


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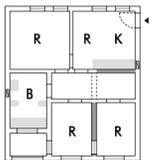
LARGE  
70 > 56 sqm



Apartment **LD1** = 3R 1B 1K = 62 sqm + loggia 3 sqm



LD1.a



LD1.b

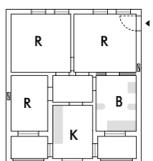


LD1.c

Apartment **LD2** = 3R 1B 1K = 59 sqm + loggia 6 sqm



LD2.a



LD2.b



LD2.c

Apartment **LD3** = 3R 1B 1K = 62 sqm + loggia 12,5 sqm



LD3.a



LD3.b

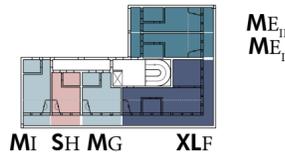


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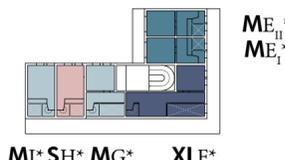


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### APARTMENT DUPLEX



MI SH MG XLF

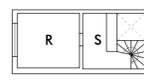


MI\* SH\* MG\* XLF\*

Duplex **ME** = 2R 1B 1K 1S = 47 sqm + loggia 9 sqm

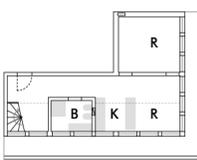


ME1

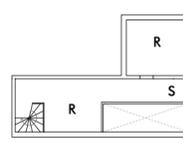


ME1\*

Duplex **XLF** = 4R 1B 1K 1S = 81 sqm + loggia 23 sqm

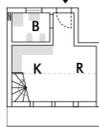


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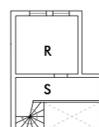


XLF\*

Duplex **MG** = 2R 1B 1K 1S = 47 sqm + loggia 7 sqm

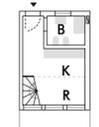


MG

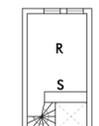


MG\*

Duplex **SH** = 2R 1B 1K 1S = 40 sqm + loggia 5 sqm

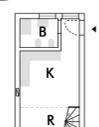


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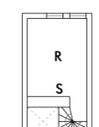


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Duplex **MI** = 2R 1B 1K 1S = 45 sqm + loggia 5 sqm



MI



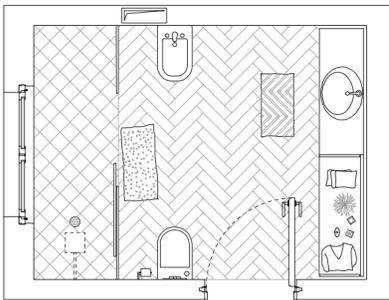
MI\*

# ROOM AND USES

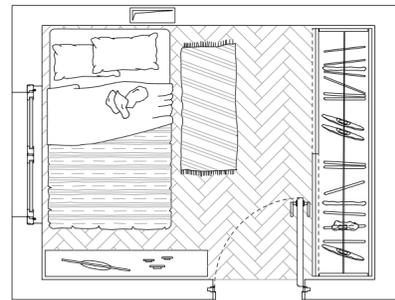
## Abacus

0 ————— 2 m

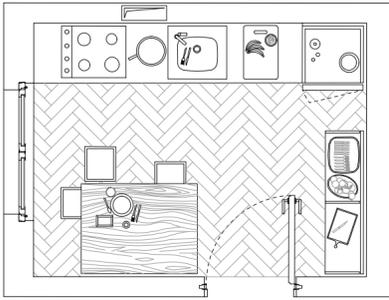
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3,30 x 2,5 m  
8 sqm



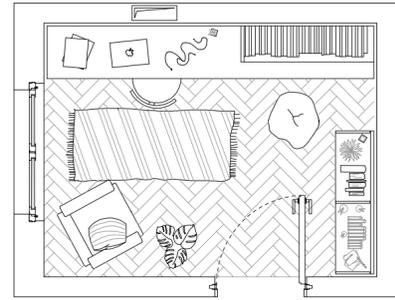
S\_Bathroom



S\_Single bedroom



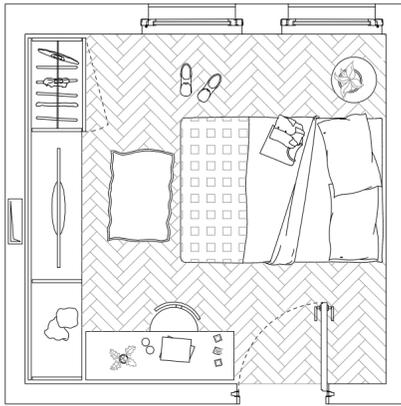
S\_Kitchen



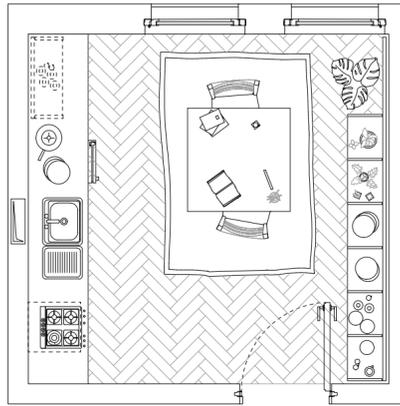
S\_Study room

## MEDIUM M

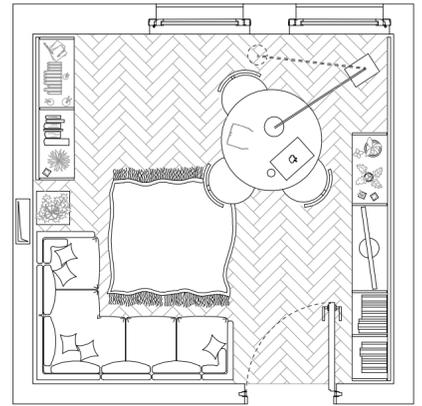
3,6 x 3,5 m  
14 sqm



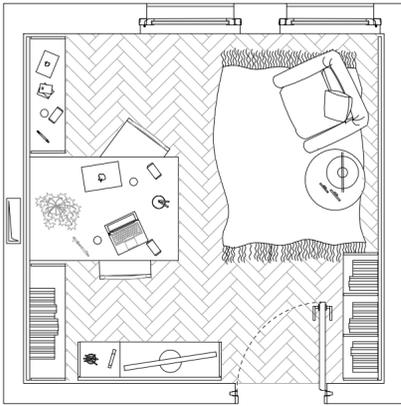
M\_Couple bedroom



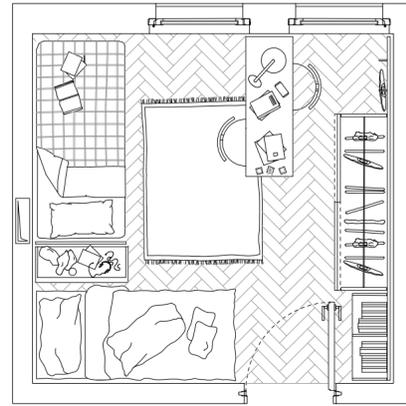
M\_Kitchen



M\_Livingroom



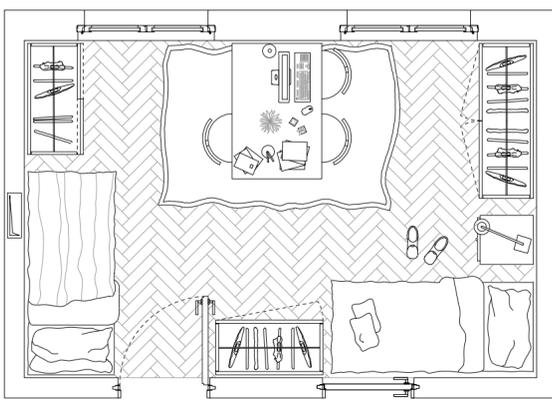
M\_Study room



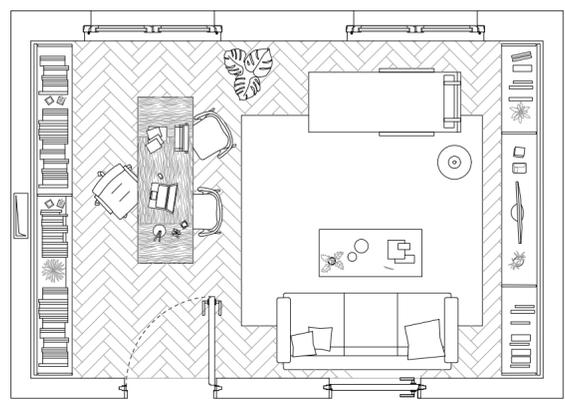
M\_Double bedroom

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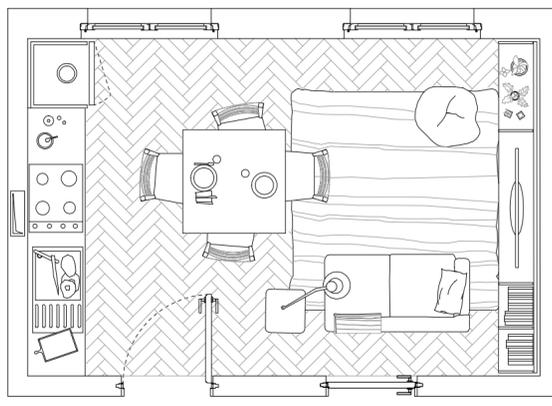
3,3 x 5,2 m  
17 sqm



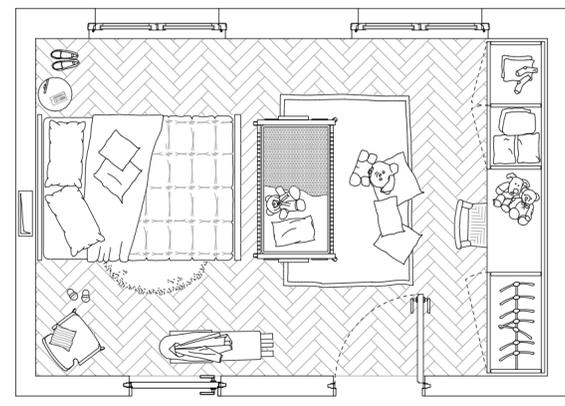
L\_Double bedroom



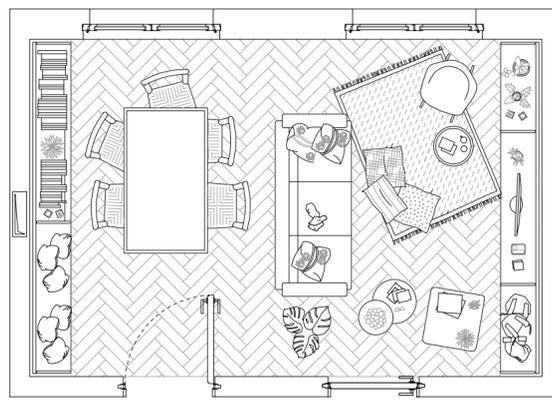
L\_Professional Study room



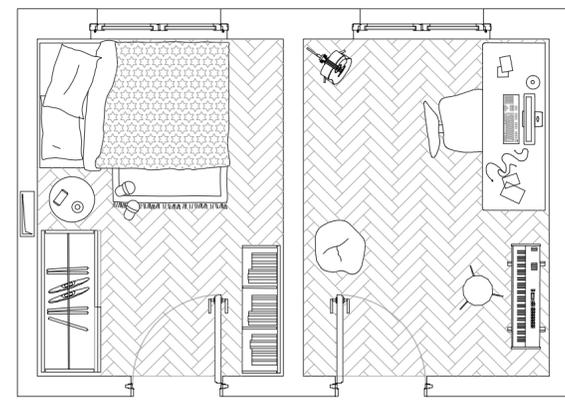
L\_Kitchen + Livingroom



L\_Couple bedroom + nursery



L\_Livingroom

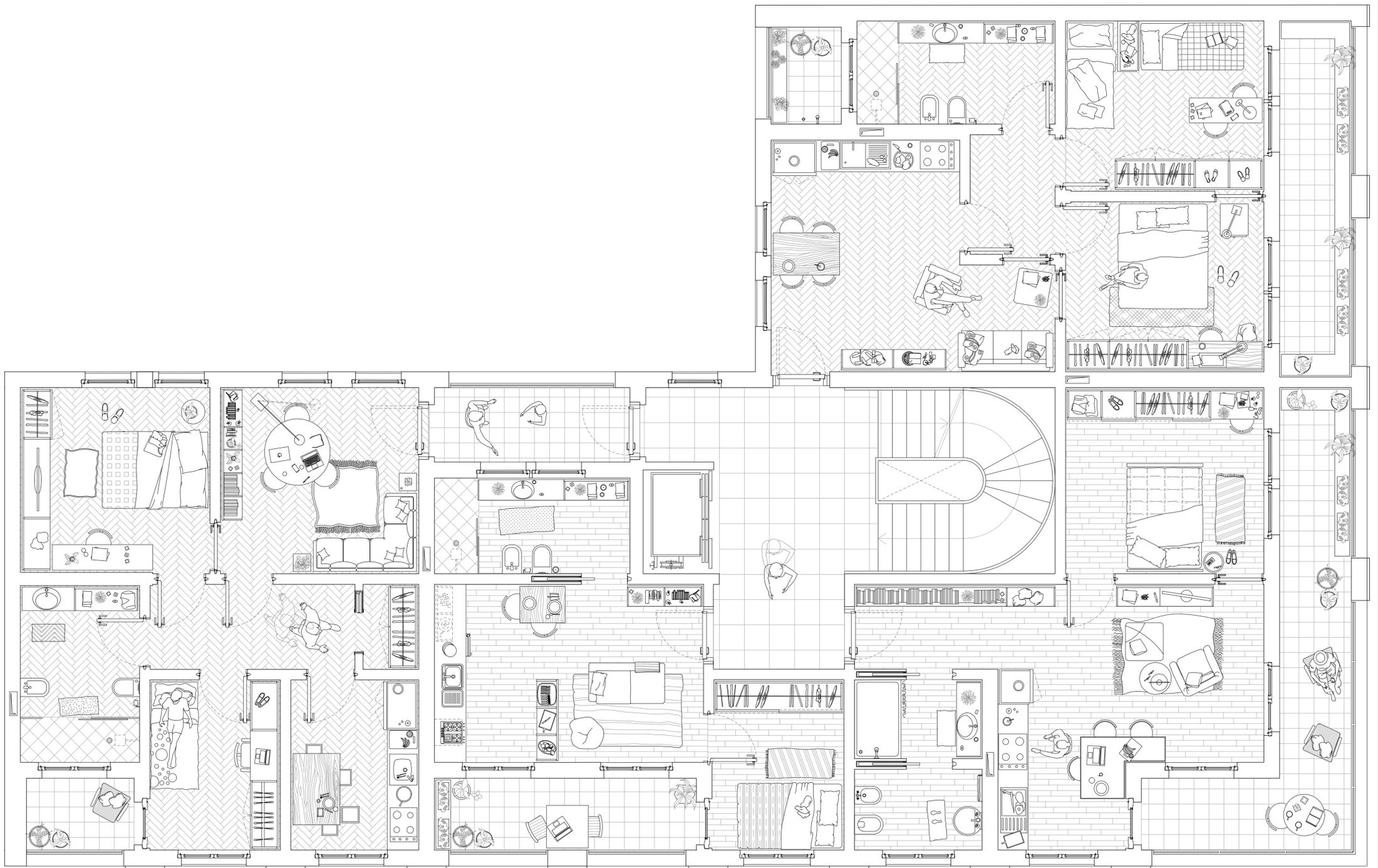


L\_Study room + bedroom

# PLAN COMPOSITION

Typical floor plan

0 ————— 2 m



# TYOLOGICAL FLEXIBILITY

## Abacus

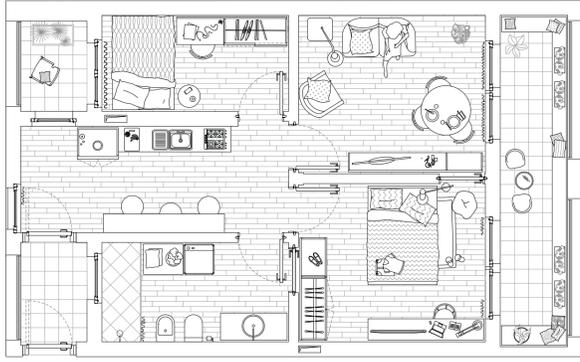
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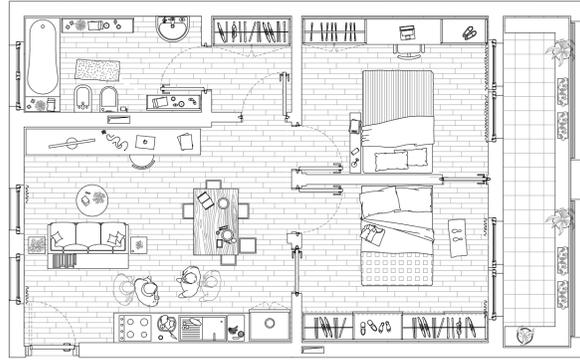
Fixed furniture Daily movement Circulation

### Apartment A

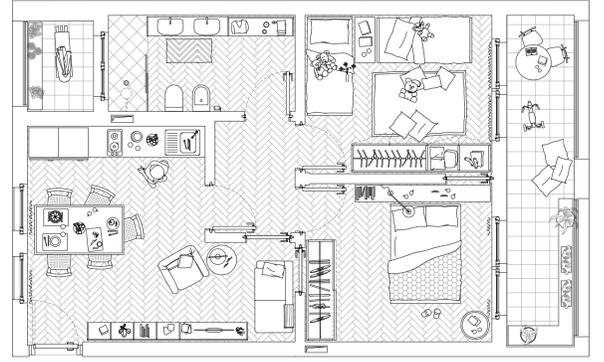
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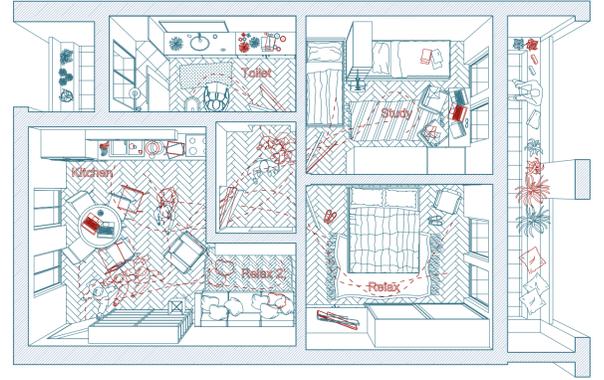
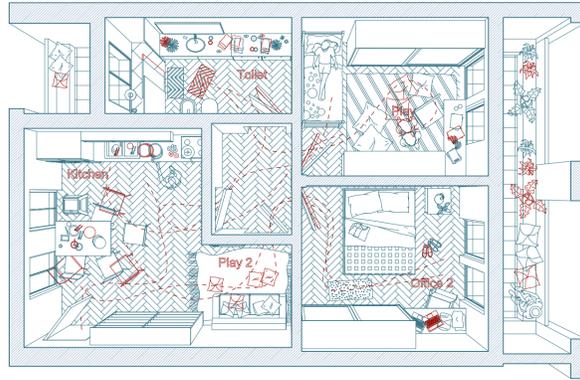
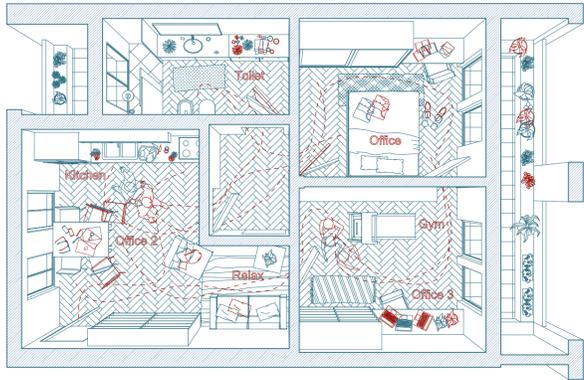
2. LA



3. LA



Timeline changement of the apartment 3. LA



TODAY

4 YEARS LATER

20 YEARS LATER



**Couple**  
Alessandro, 30  
Chiara, 27



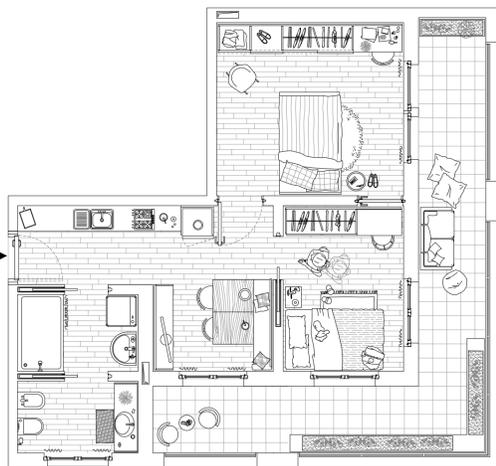
**Family**  
Alessandro, 34  
Chiara, 30  
Giorgio, 4  
Raffaele, 2



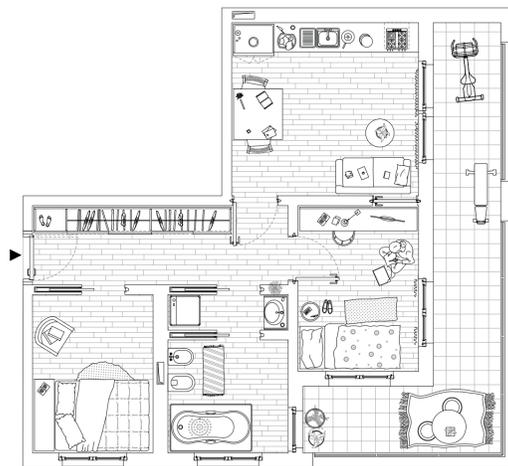
**Family 2.0**  
Alessandro, 33  
Chiara, 30  
Giorgio, 20  
Raffaele, 18

### Apartment B

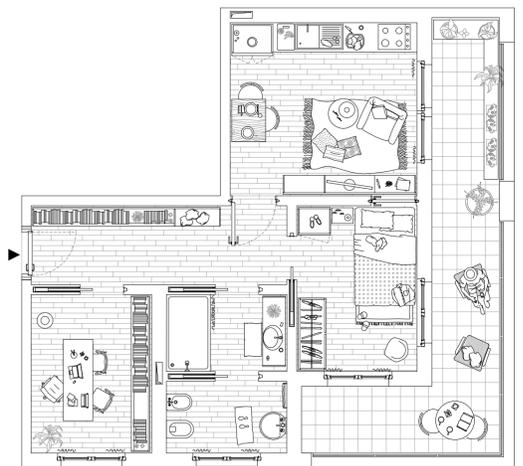
1. MB



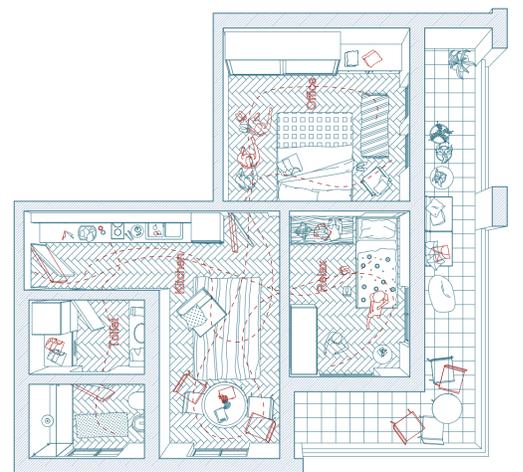
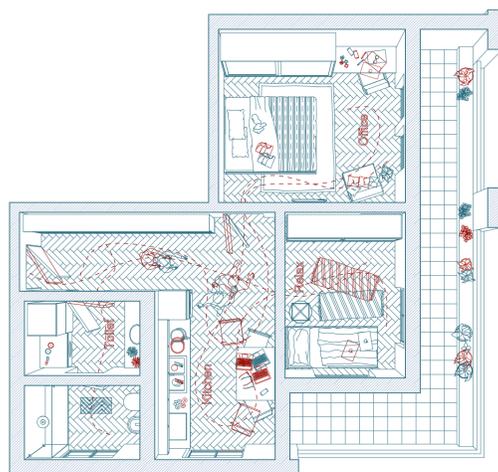
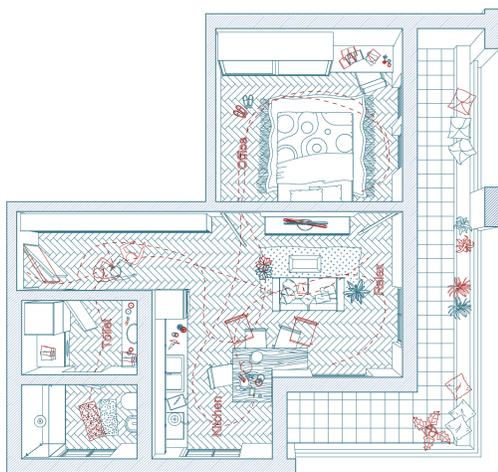
2. MB



3. MB



Timeline changement of the apartment 3. MB



TODAY

Change of ownership

4 YEARS LATER

20 YEARS LATER



**Single worker**  
Pietro, 40



**Mother + daughter**  
Rosina, 42  
Giusy, 20

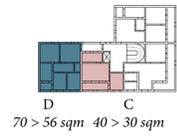


**Grandmother + granddaughter**  
Rosina, 62  
Giusy, 13

# TYOLOGICAL FLEXIBILITY

## Abacus

0 3 m



D C  
70 > 56 sqm 40 > 30 sqm

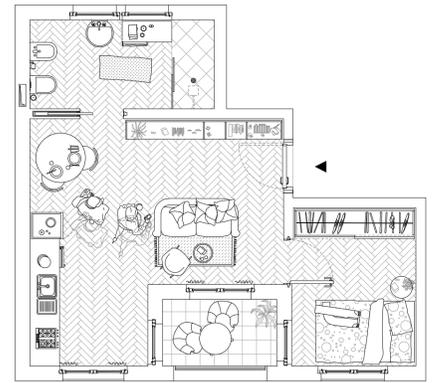
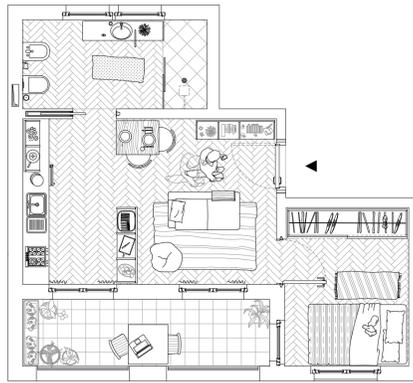
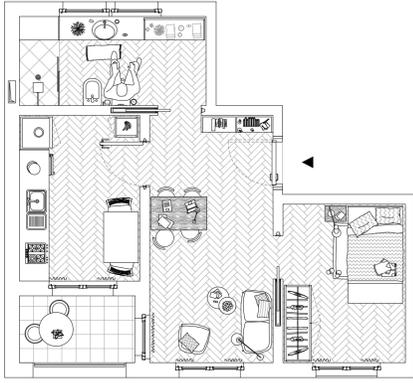
Fixed furniture Daily movement Circulation

### Apartment C

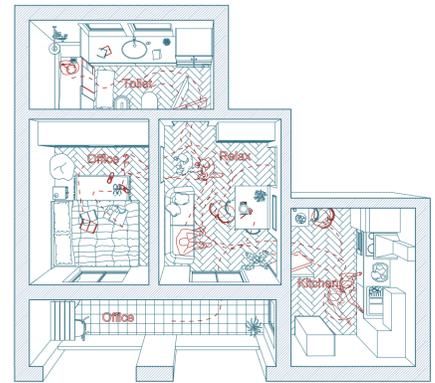
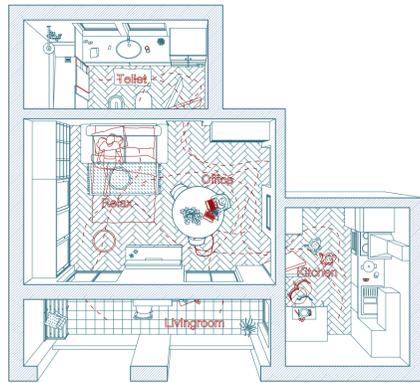
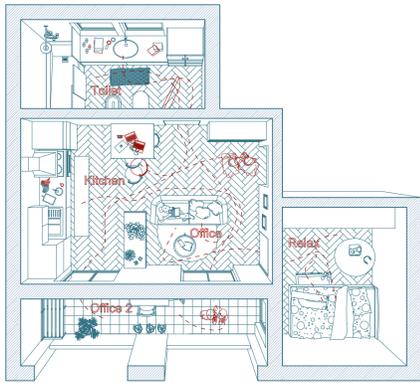
1. SC

2. SC

3. SC



### Timeline changement of the apartment 3. SC



TODAY

4 YEARS LATER

20 YEARS LATER



Single student  
Giuseppe, 23



Couple  
Giuseppe, 28  
Carla, 27

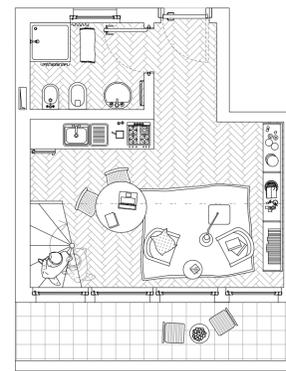
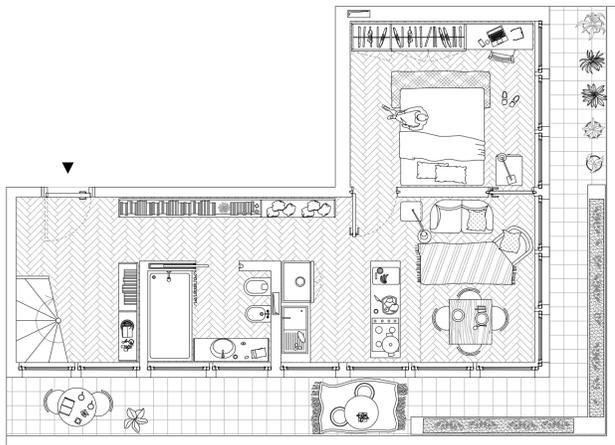


Adult worker  
Giuseppe, 43

### Apartments Duplex

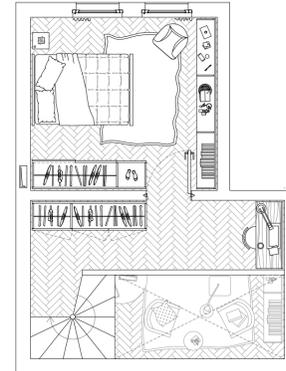
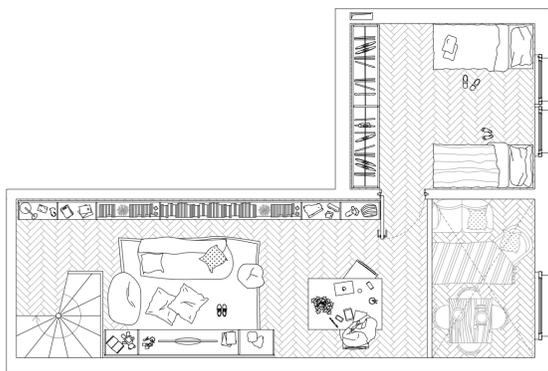
1. Duplex XLF

2. Duplex SH



Duplex XLF\*

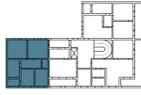
Duplex SH\*



# TYOLOGICAL FLEXIBILITY

Apartment D : trasformations according to users

0 2 m



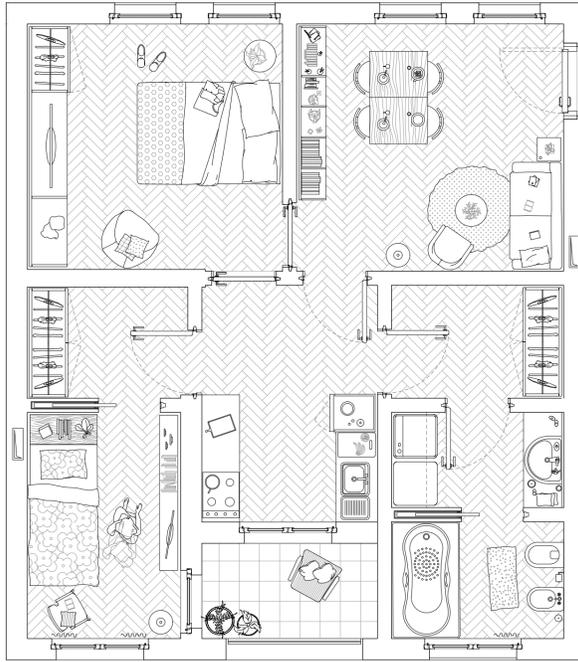
## Adult + a Plus



62 sqm



- 1 bathroom
- 1 kitchen
- 1 single bedroom
- 1 single bedroom
- 1 livingroom



This category consists in single adult people living together.

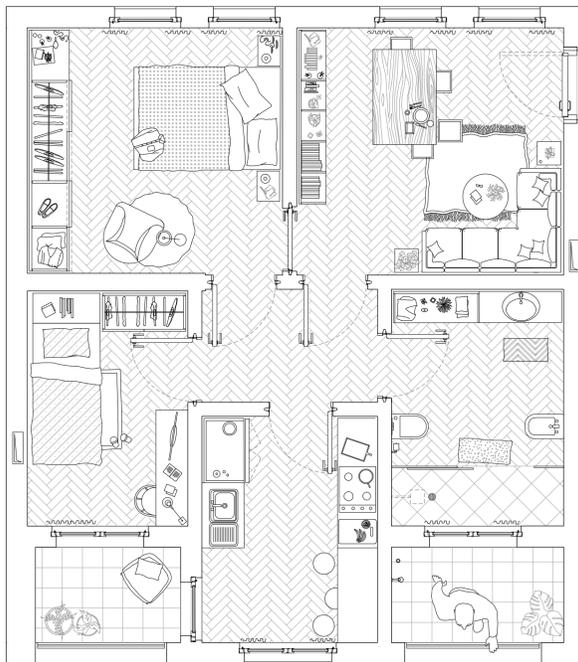
## Traditional Family



59 sqm



- 1 bathroom
- 1 kitchen
- 1 double bedroom
- 1 single bedroom  
+  
  
work space
- 1 livingroom



This category includes households composed by parents with children.

## Adult + Adult(s)



62 sqm



- 1 bathroom
- 1 kitchen  
+  
  
livingroom
- 1 single bedroom
- 1 double bedroom  
+  
  
study space



This category contains single independent adults that decide to live together.

# TYOLOGICAL FLEXIBILITY

## Apartment D : temporal trasformations



0 — 2 m

Fixed furniture

Daily movement

Circulation

### Family

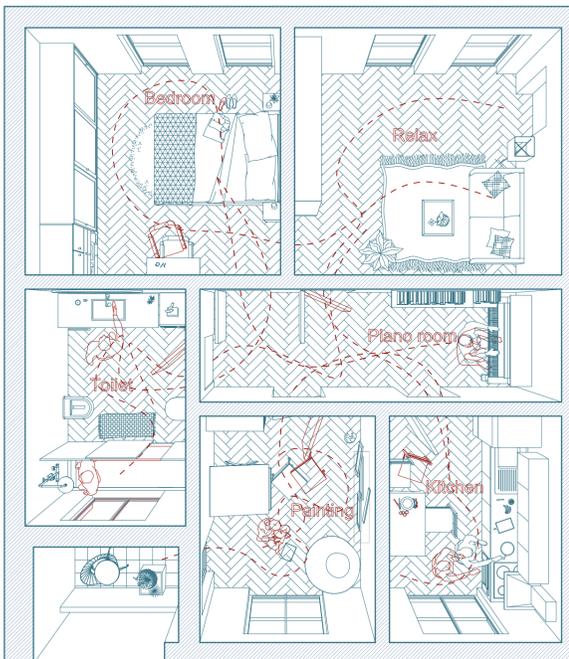
Nicolò, 48  
Giorgia, 45



Nicolò and Giorgia have been married for 15 years. She is a doctor and he is an artist.

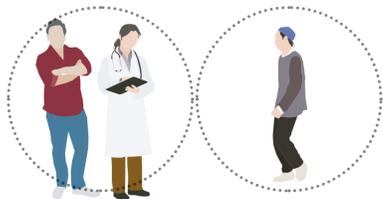
He loves to play piano, and he has a painting studio, because he is professor of artistic disciplines. On the contrary, she works all day outdoor.

TODAY



### Family + erasmus

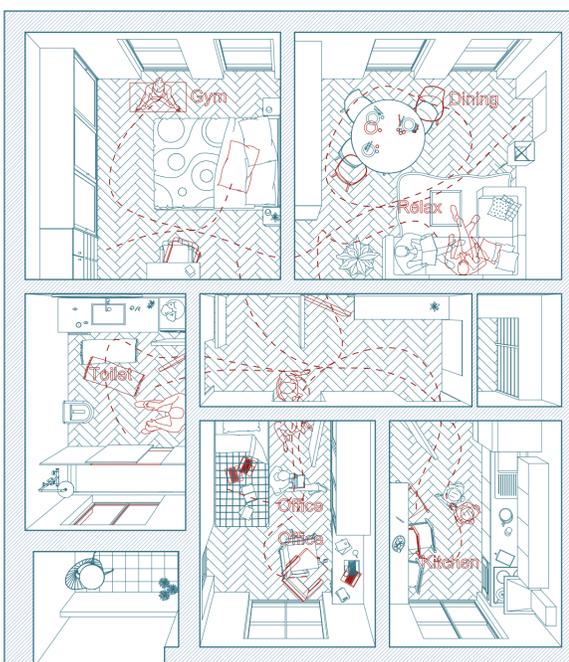
Nicolò, 52  
Giorgia, 49  
Milo, 24



Nicolò and Giorgia cannot have sons, so they decided to accommodate other people in their house. Today there is Milo, a greek student in erasmus in Milan.

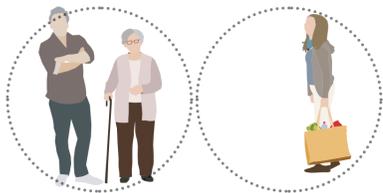
They arranged a room in the old Nicolò's painting room for their guest.

4 YEARS LATER



### Retired people + caregiver

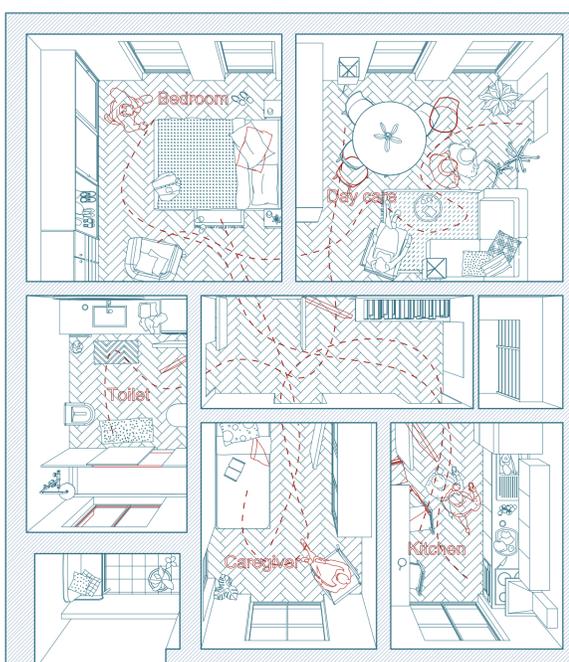
Nicolò, 82  
Giorgia, 79  
Carmen, 38



After twenty years, Nicolò and Giorgia, retired people, need care.

For this reason they rearrange the guest room for the caregiver, Carmen. In this way she can have her own room and privacy, and help them everyday.

20 YEARS LATER



# LIFE INSIDE THE BUILDING

## Section A-A'

0 ——— 2 m



# LIFE INSIDE THE BUILDING

## Section B-B'

0 2 m



# LIFE INSIDE THE BUILDING

Perspective section

