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Biomimicry Final Project

Micro-climate Modification of City

Abstract

A sustainable world already exists. Biomimicry is an approach to innovation that seeks sustainable solutions to human challenges by emulating nature's time-tested patterns and strategies. The goal of this design project is to create products, processes, and policies for a new ways of living—that are well-adapted to life on earth over the long haul.

MICRO-CLIMATE MODIFICATION OF CITY

OBJECTIVE

- Detoxifying air pollutant for the people in the city

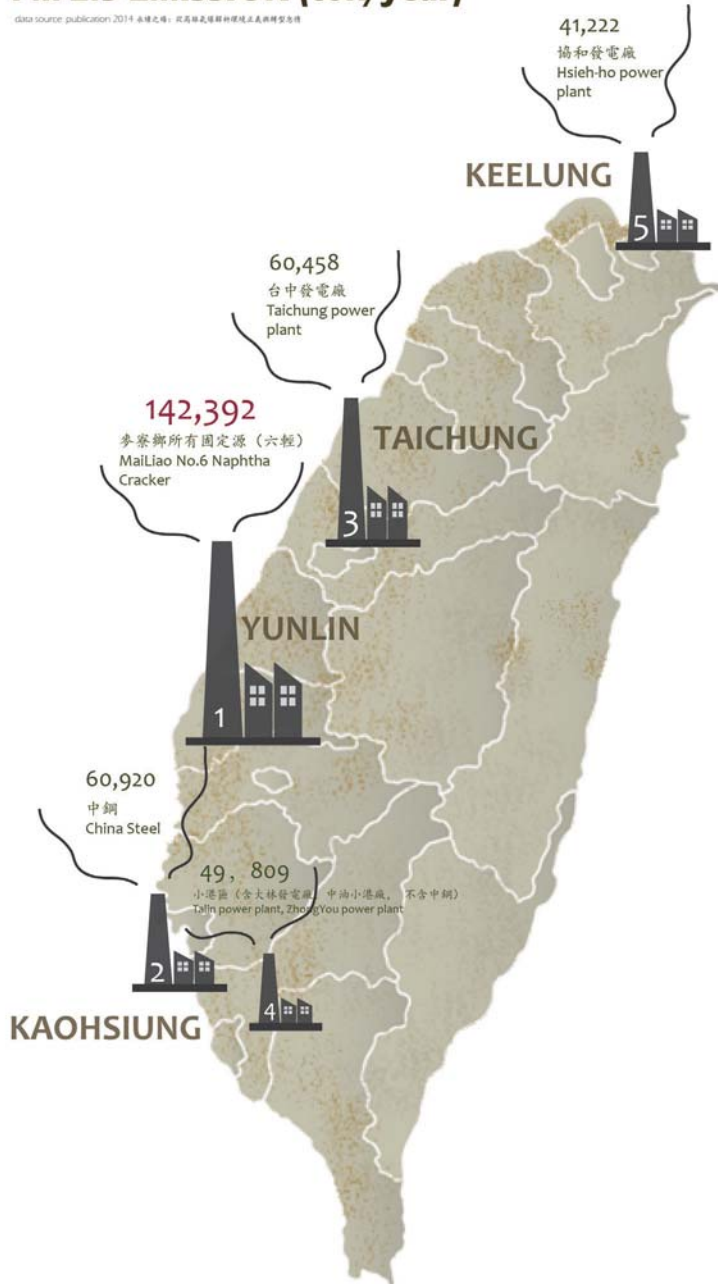
“Taichung is shrouded in haze as high levels of PM 2.5 pollution were registered on Oct. 30 2015 ”

FACTORS OF AIR POLLUTION :

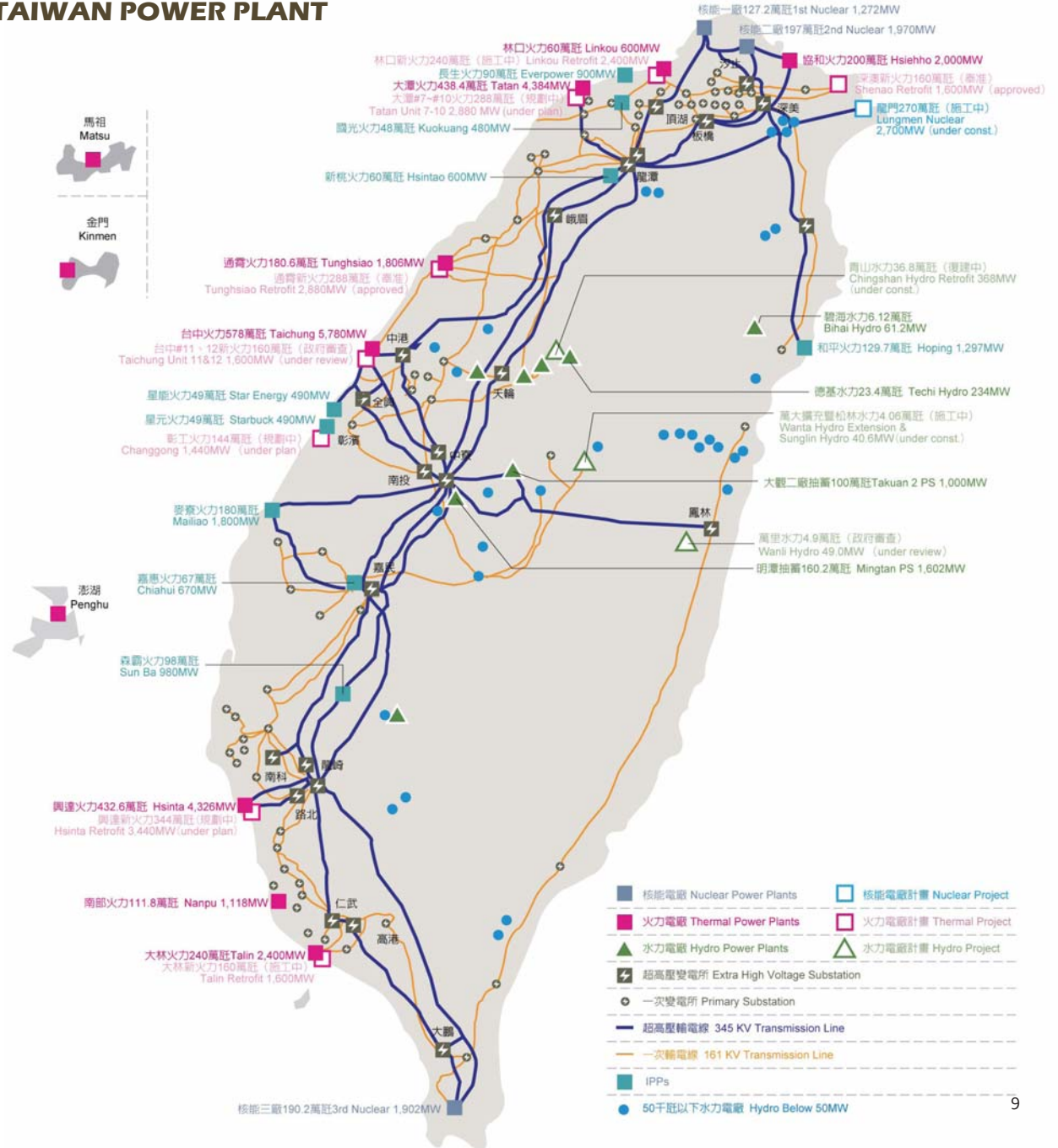
1. Taiwan can partially blame the poor air quality on the winter monsoon and also to the fact of the sweeps China's industrial and natural air pollution across Taiwan during the winter season. In recent years deforestation and environmental degradation in western China have led to an increase in seasonal sand storms that blow across Asia from the Gobi Desert.
2. China can not be blamed for all of Taiwan's poor air quality. Taiwan draws much of its electrical power from six coal-fired power plants. Taichung's coal-fired power plant is the largest in the world and the world's largest single source of carbon-dioxide emissions with over 40million tons of CO2 emissions annually (more than the entire nation of Sweden emits annually).
3. Traffic emissions have gotten worse as more Taiwanese take to the roads daily.

TAIWAN TOP 5 LARGEST PM 2.5 EMISSION (ton/year)

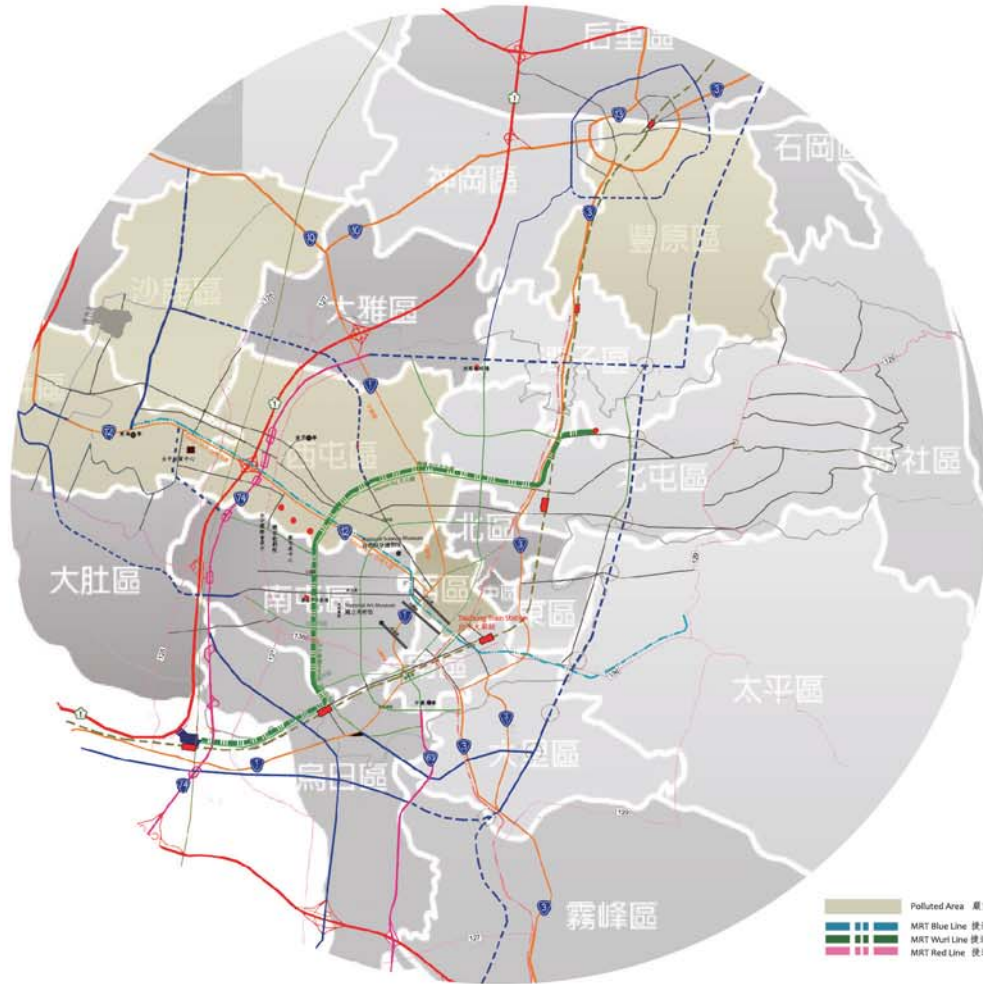
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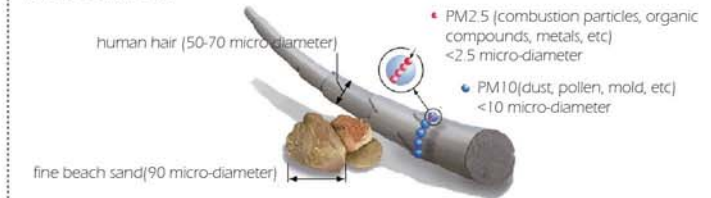
TAIWAN POWER PLANT



TAICHUNG CITY



WHAT IS PM 2.5?



HEALTH EFFECTS of PM 2.5

People with heart or lung diseases, older adults and children are most likely to be affected by particle pollution exposure. However, even if you are healthy, you may feel temporary symptoms if you are exposed to high levels of particle pollution. Numerous scientific studies connect particle pollution exposure to a variety of health issues, including:

- irritation of the eyes, nose and throat
- coughing, chest tightness and shortness of breath
- reduced lung function
- irregular heartbeat
- asthma attacks
- heart attacks
- premature death in people with heart or lung disease

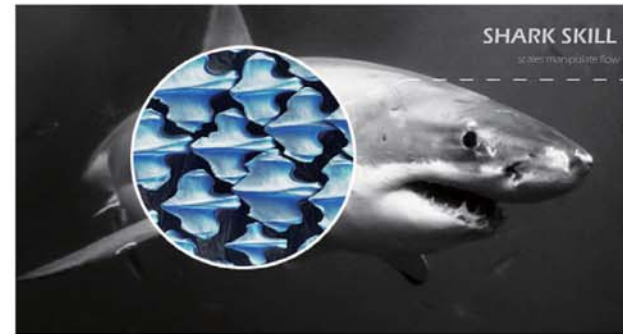


Fish mouths as engineering structures for vortical cross-step filtration.

For some fish have filtering skills mankind has not yet mastered. While our existing filters screen particles out of a stream of fluid, these types of fish (including goldfish, menhaden and basking sharks) filter tiny cells or shrimplike prey from the gallons of water they swallow without clogging the oral filters.

Fish mouths as engineering structures for vortical cross- step filtration. The fish crossflow filter never clogs, even though industrial cross-flow filters always clog.

It can be used to separate particles in a controlled environment, and send them into any desired direction.



Evolutionary solutions to natural problems are often more effective than human designed solutions. Biomimicry allows us to adapt these evolutionary concepts into great engineered designs.

Sharks, For example, have evolved toward extremely high efficiency in traveling through water, meaning reductions in energy usage and increases in speed.

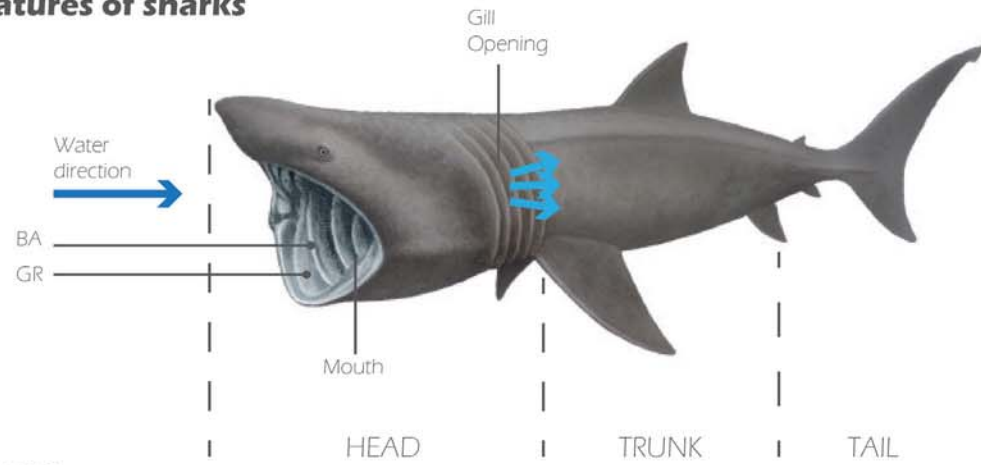
Their physical skin design is lowers drag forces associated with great movement and has shown great potential for application in human transportation.

The mechanism is based on the difference in resistance between laminar and turbulent flows.

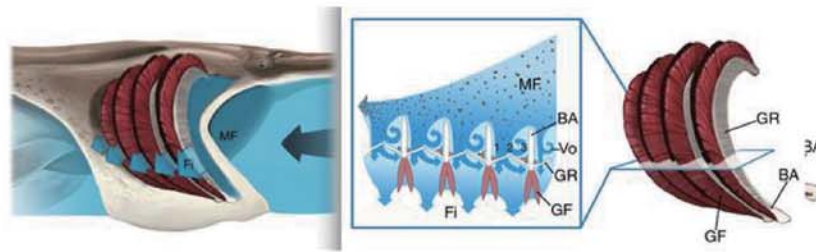
Laminar flow occurs when the movement of fluid past an object is contained in smooth, undistrupted layers.

Turbulent flow is chaotic and occurs when these layers are disrupted.

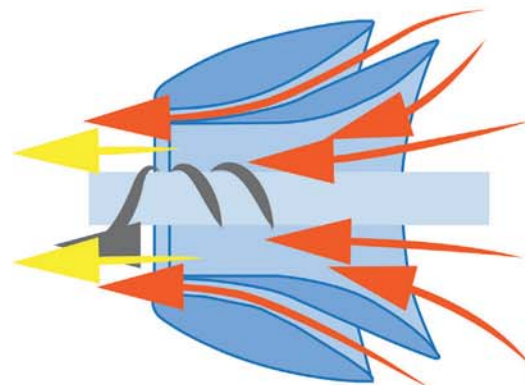
The major features of sharks



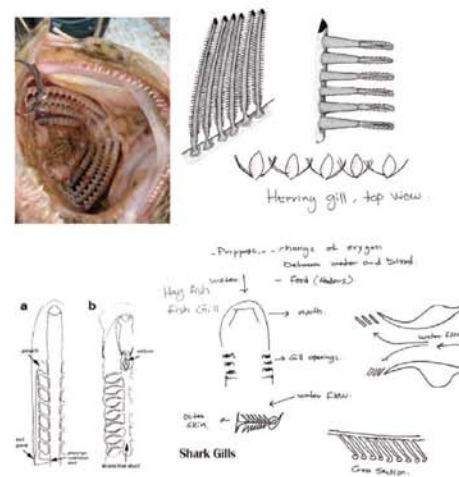
How fish gill works?



Diagram



- External fluid suction
- Filter fluid
- Air vortex



Real Galapagos shark skin(microscale)

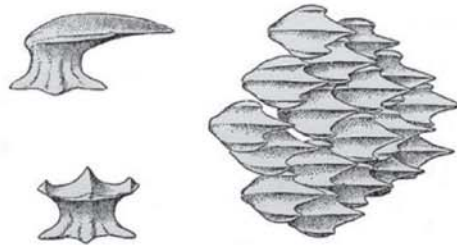
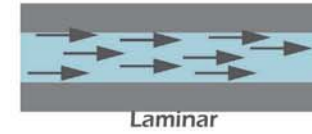


Diagram of skin mechanism

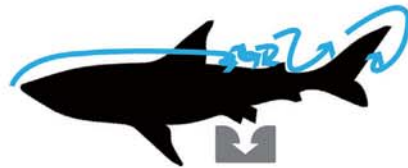


Shark swimming effect in the fluid

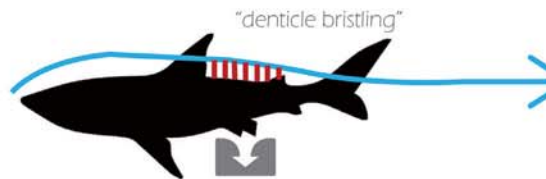
1. Lamina boundary layer



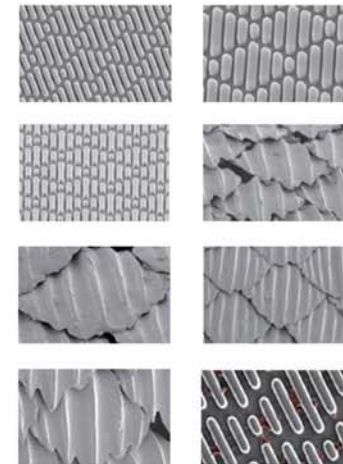
2. Boundary layer separation as shark flexes



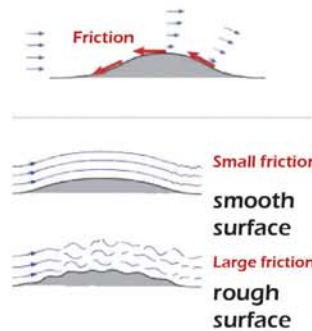
3. Denticles lift off the skin like flaps to 'hold' the boundary layer in place



The Dermal denticle patterns on shark skin



Frictional drag





[ATP SYSTEM]

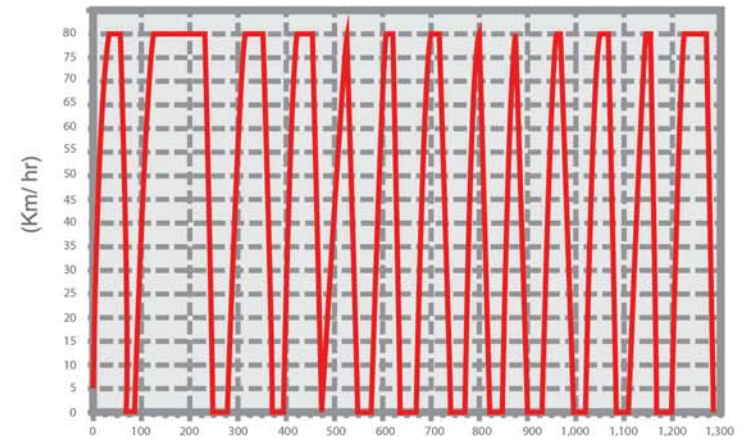
Signalling used on high density metro routes is based on the same principles as main line signalling. The line is divided into blocks and each block is protected by a signal but, for metros, the blocks are shorter so that the number of trains using the line can be increased. They are also usually provided with some sort of automatic supervision to prevent a train passing a stop signal.

[TIME OF METRO IN TAIPEI]

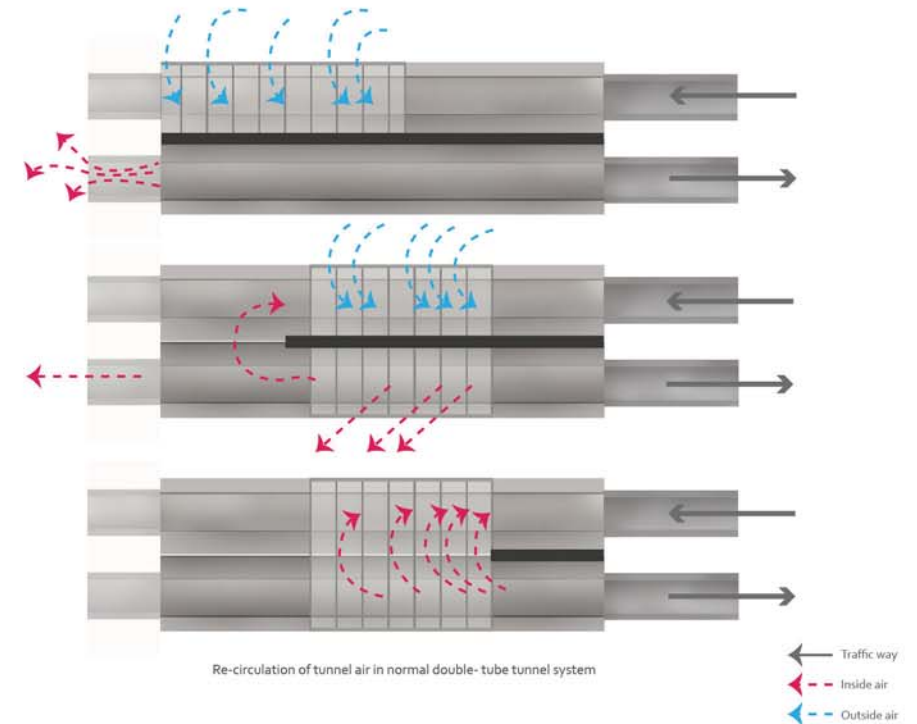
As the graph shows the time of Taipei metro takes from Xinpo station to Kuyang station. Normally, the limite speed of metro is 80km/hr, and the average around 65km/hr. The spending time depends on each station's distance. Moreover metro stay at higher speed longer as the far distance.

[RE-CIRCULATION OF TUNNEL AIR]

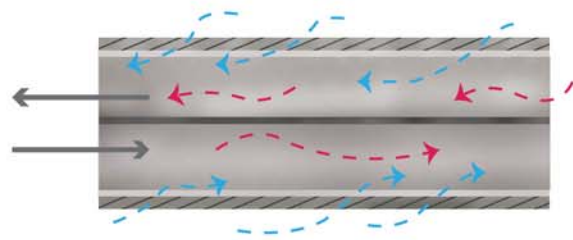
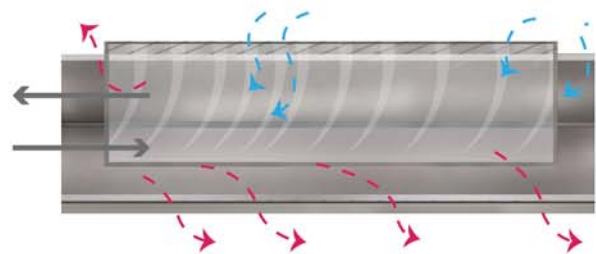
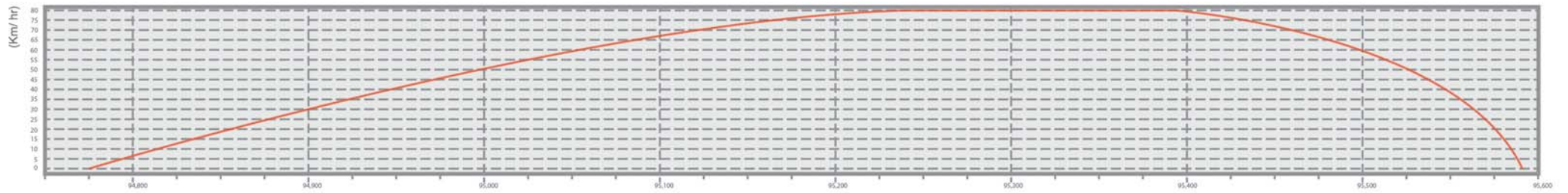
Hoods at portals of rail tunnels have become a common measure to prevent non-acceptable micro-pressure waves at the portals. The hoods have a larger free cross-sectional area than the actual tunnel. Additionally, the hoods are equipped with openings. The hoods lead to less extreme gradients and amplitudes of the pressure waves.



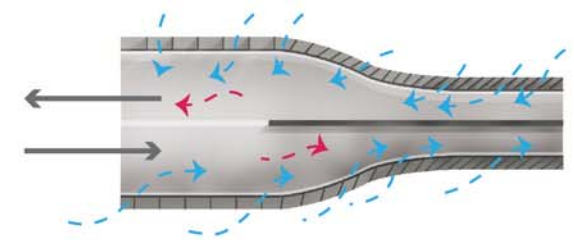
/ Time of Metro in Taipei - from Xinpo station to Kuyang station



Re-circulation of tunnel air in normal double- tube tunnel system

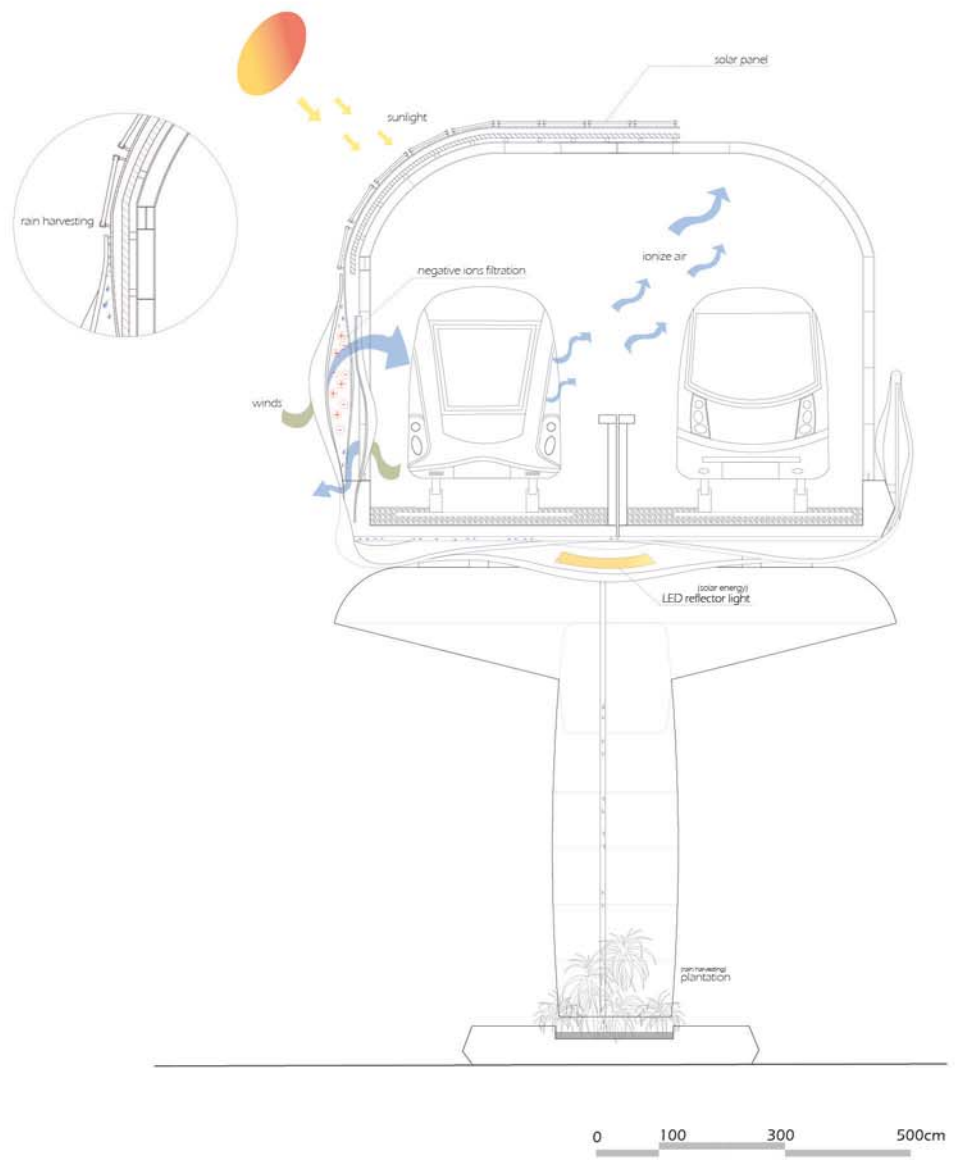
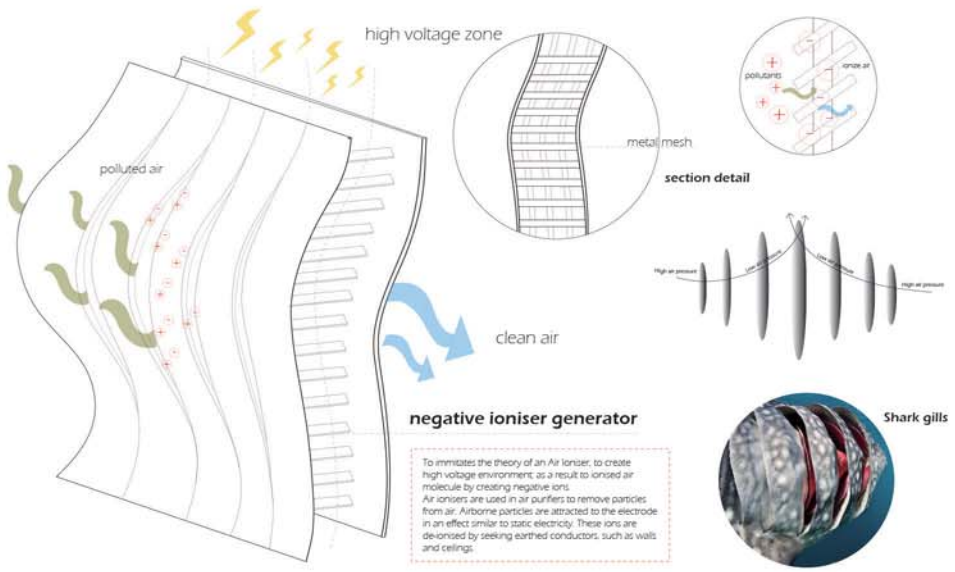
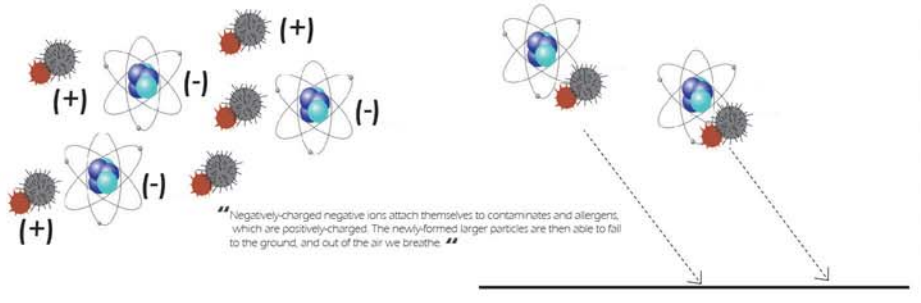


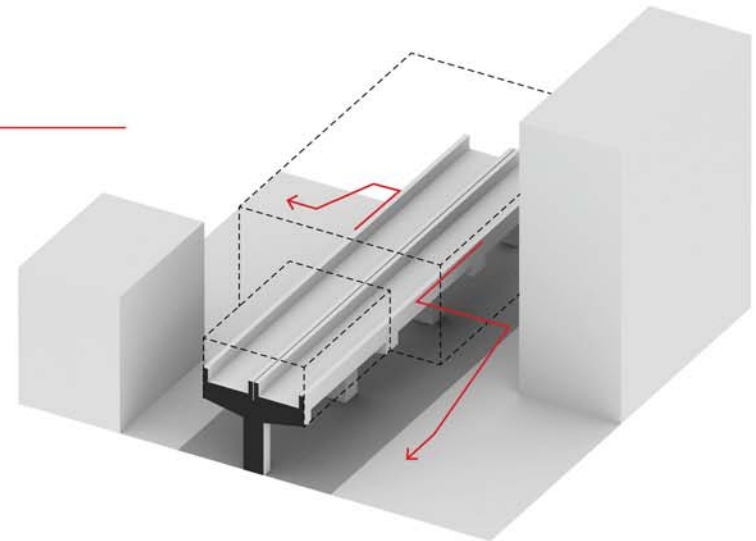
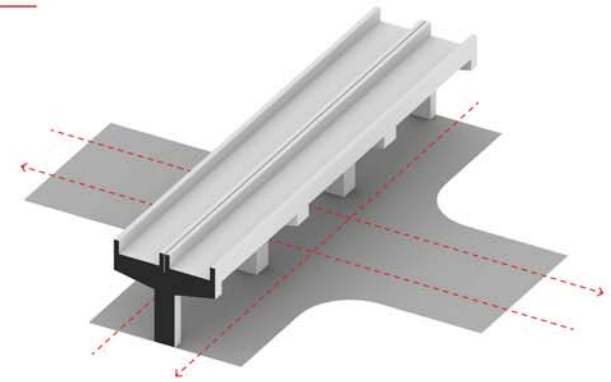
/ Re-circulation of tunnel air in design double- tube tunnel system

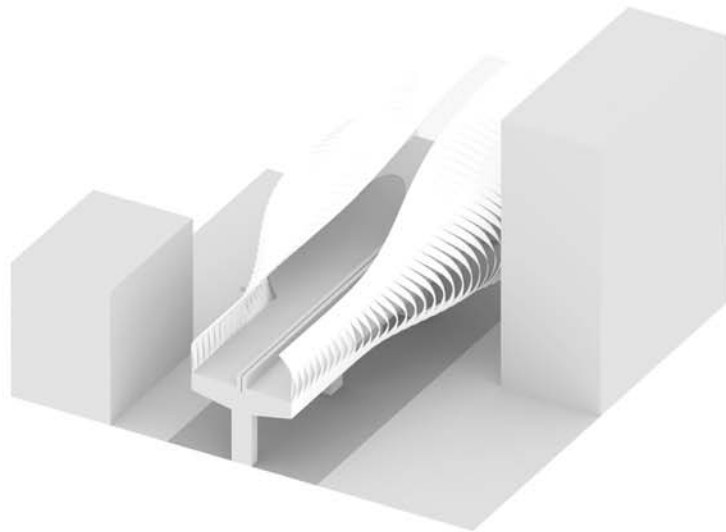
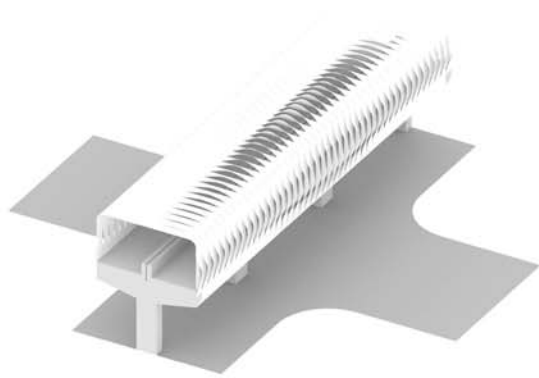


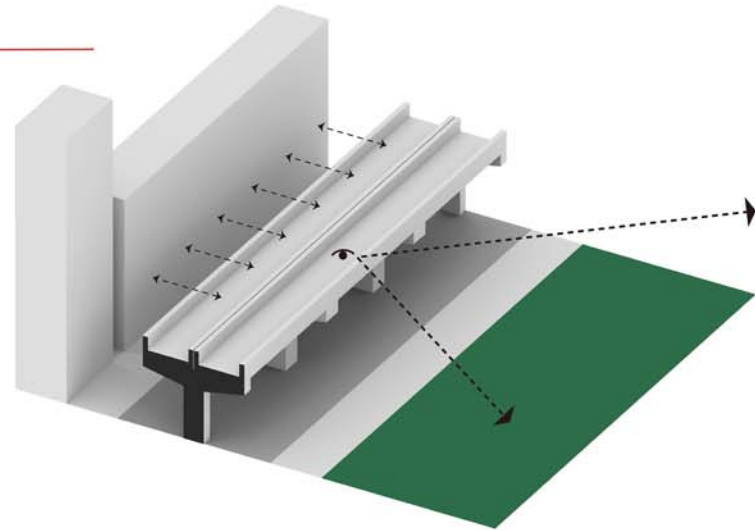
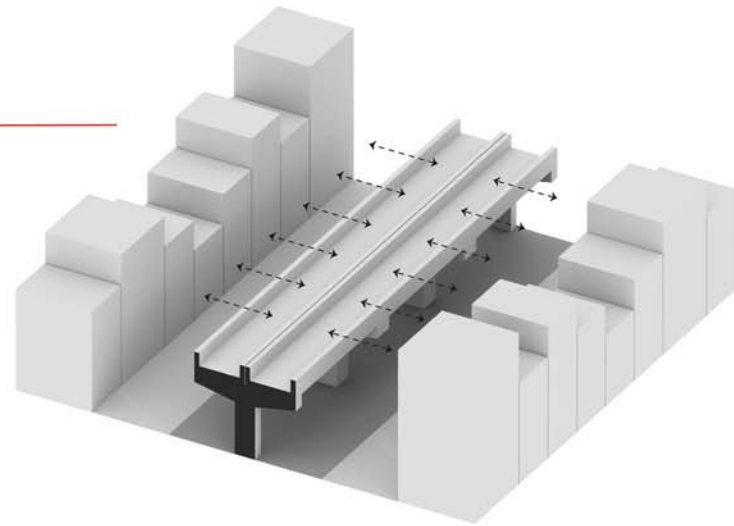
BIOMIMICRY IMPLEMENTATION

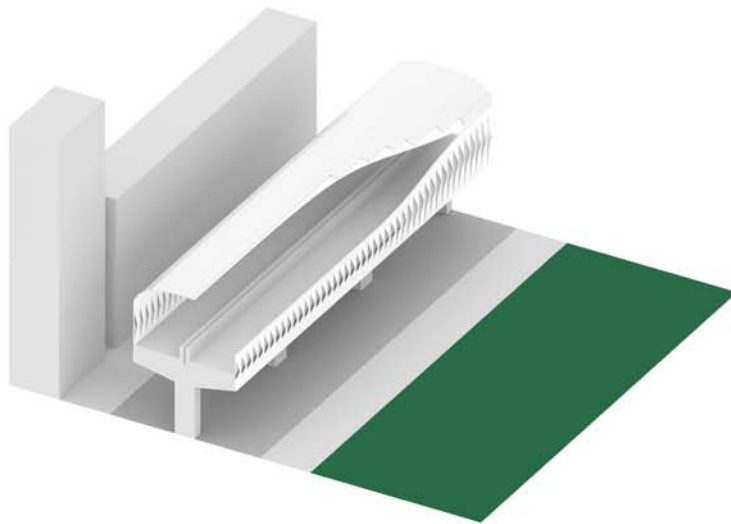
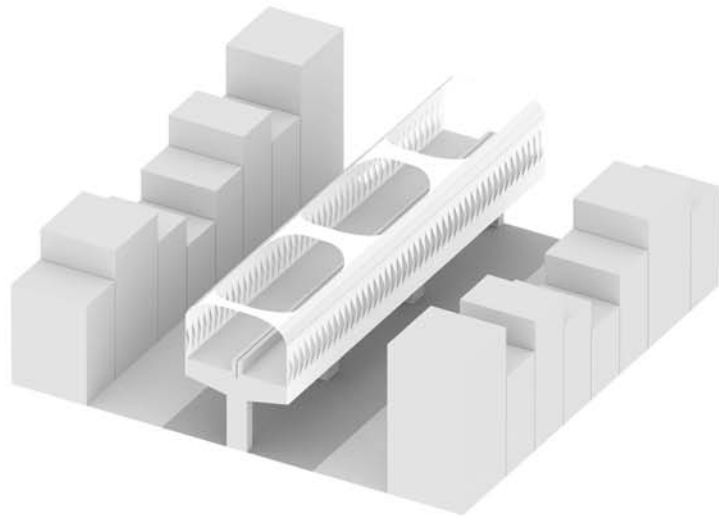
How negative ions remove pollutants from the air?

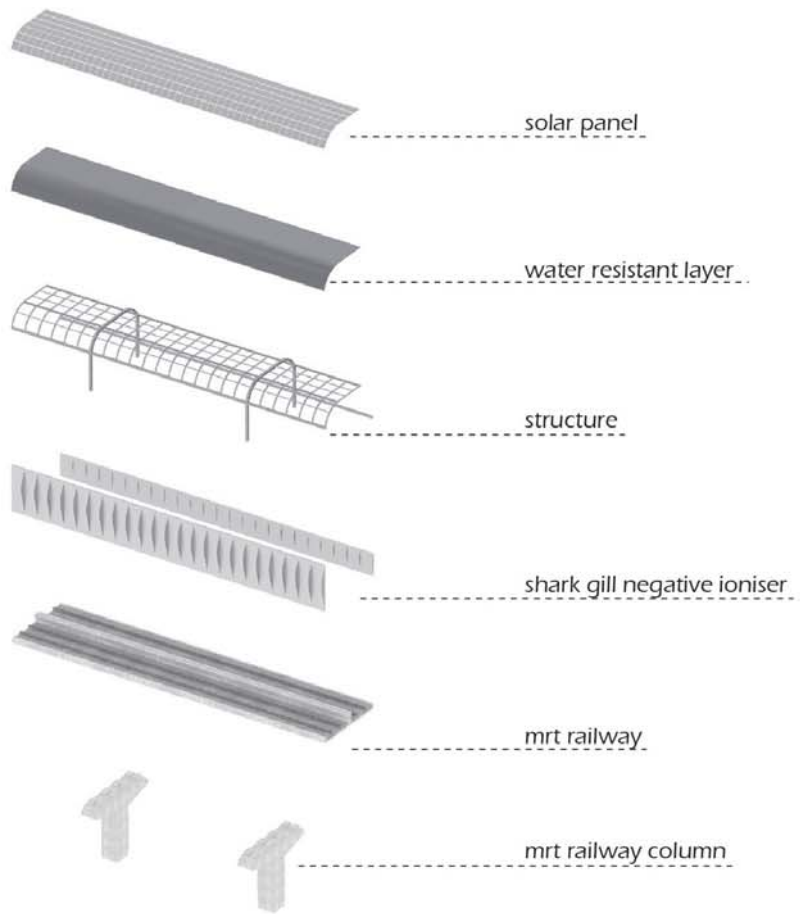




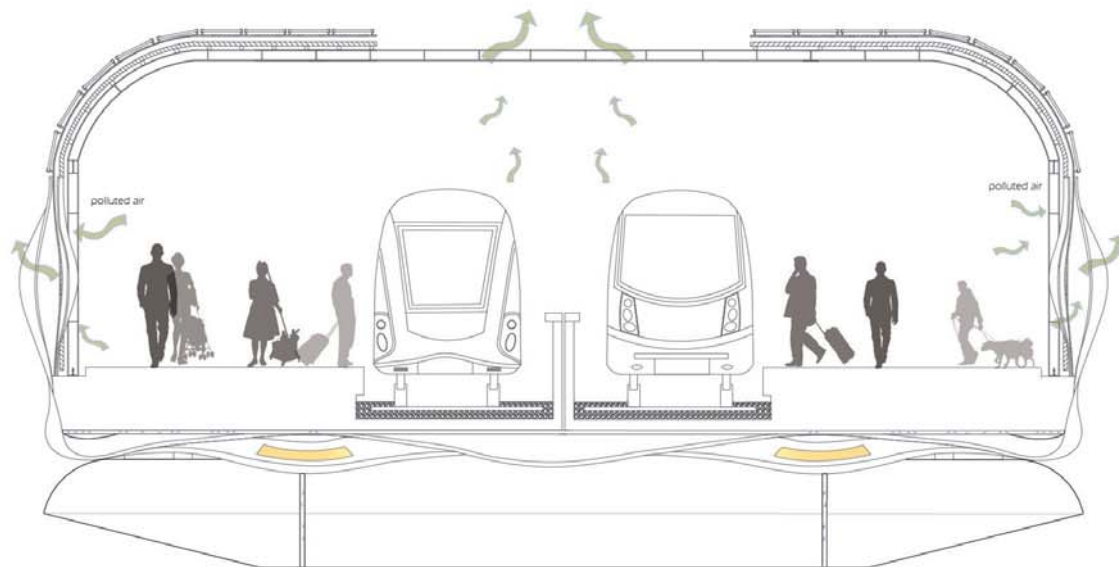








MRT STATION SECTION DIAGRAM



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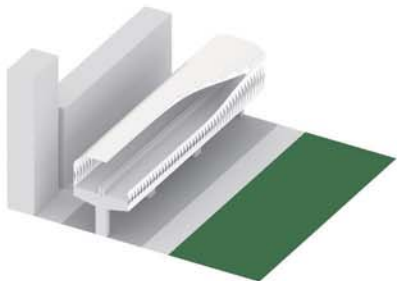


_ MRT Future Location

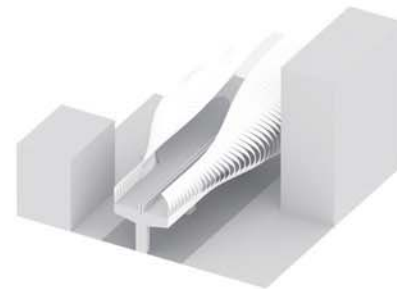
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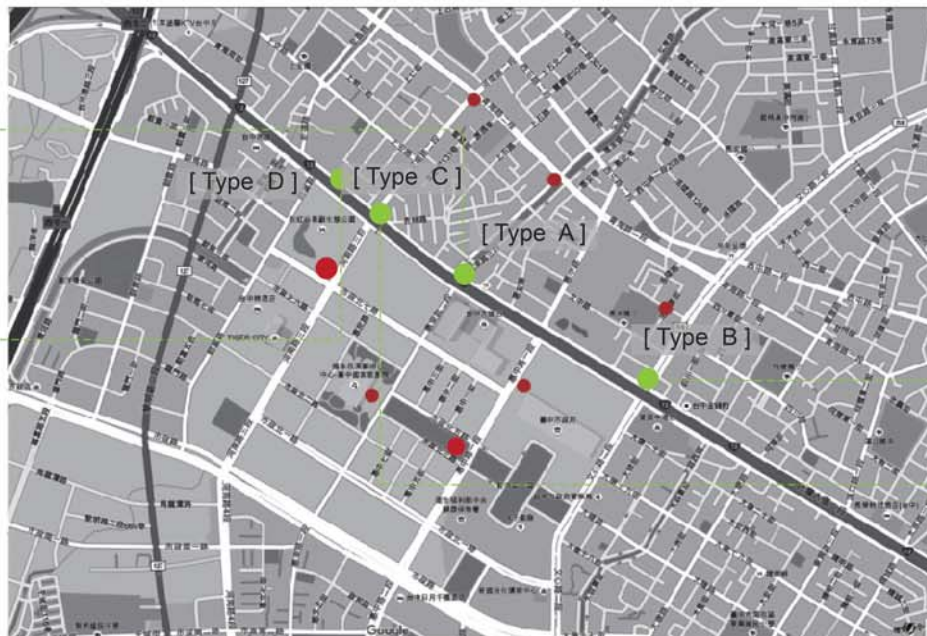
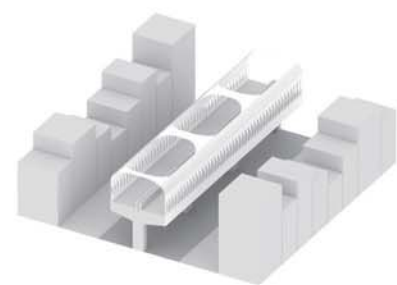
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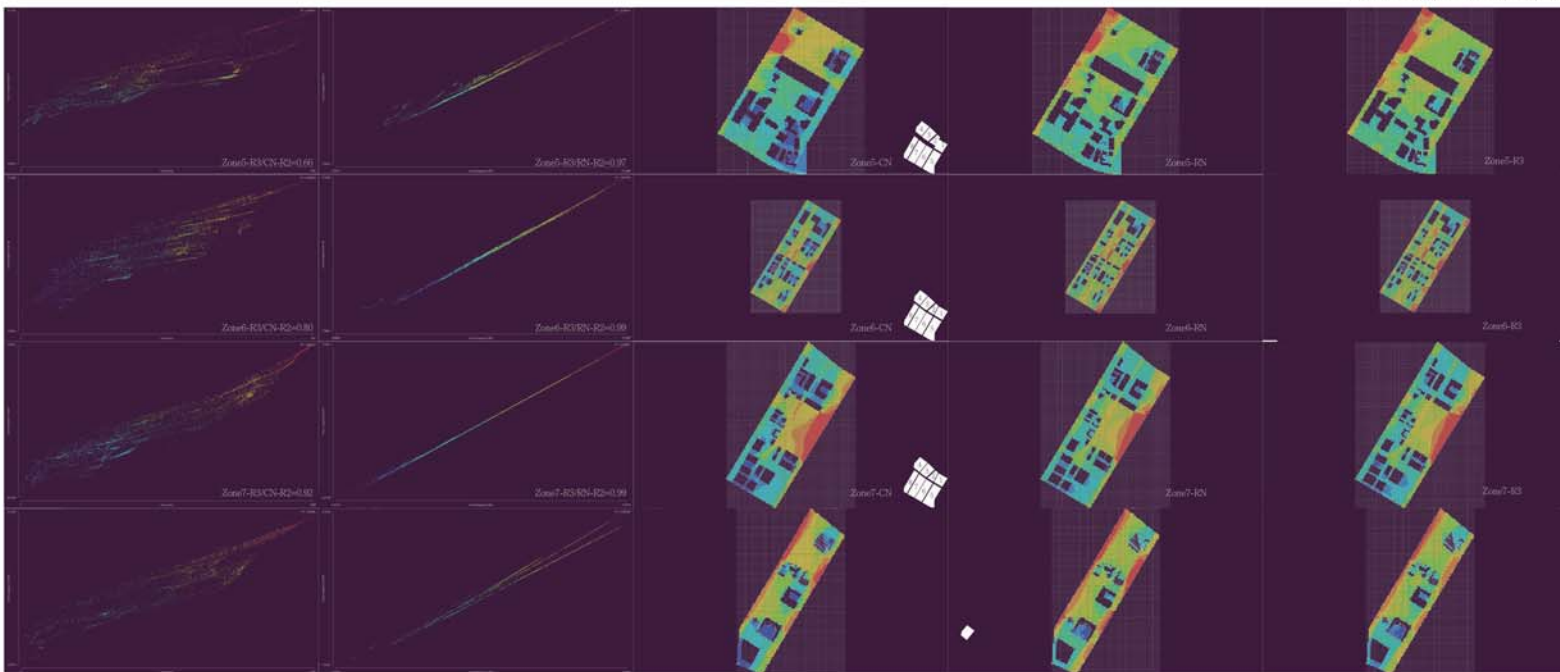


● Future Spot

● Possible Spot from spacesyntax

_ Spacesyntax analysis

_ Urban mapping



Brief

In the periphery of the base of a total of eight street blocks, each property is different. After analysis of spatial discrimination benchmark for floor height, (0.5m) the interaction areas with the highest degree of regional filtering necessarily for those blocks facing Taiwan Boulevard. Therefore, a high degree of small open areas would be necessary to play as a place to link the neocortex of those blocks acting as reference point

The Mughal Game 5 Element

Taichung Gateway



Taichung Gateway

The Mughal Game 5 ELEMENT

Story Board

Entrance of the city

Symbolized **tablet** refers to the first impression of Taichung

Due to the bustling city and excessive development

Hunting urban texture of natural and historical memory

Remaining dilapidated historical traces

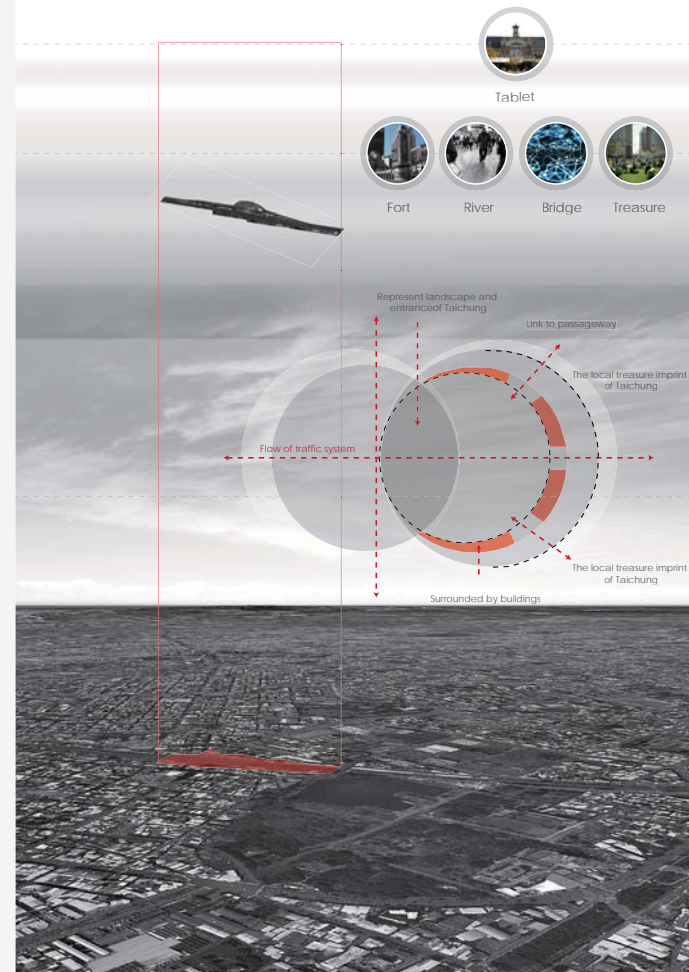
Standing in the train station

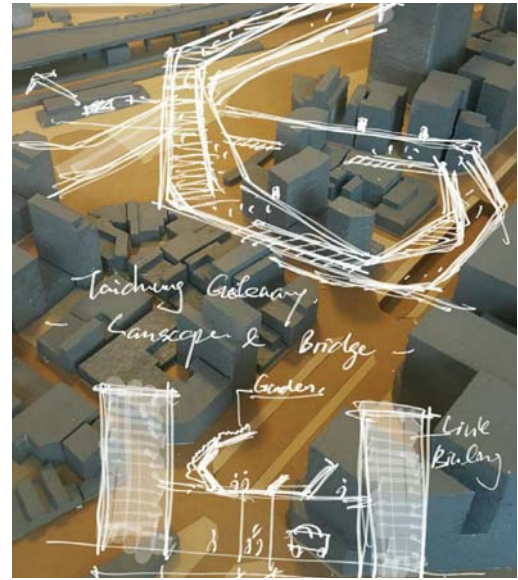
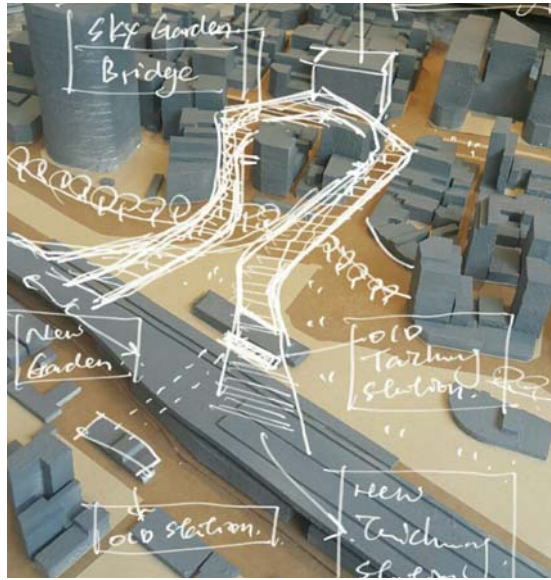
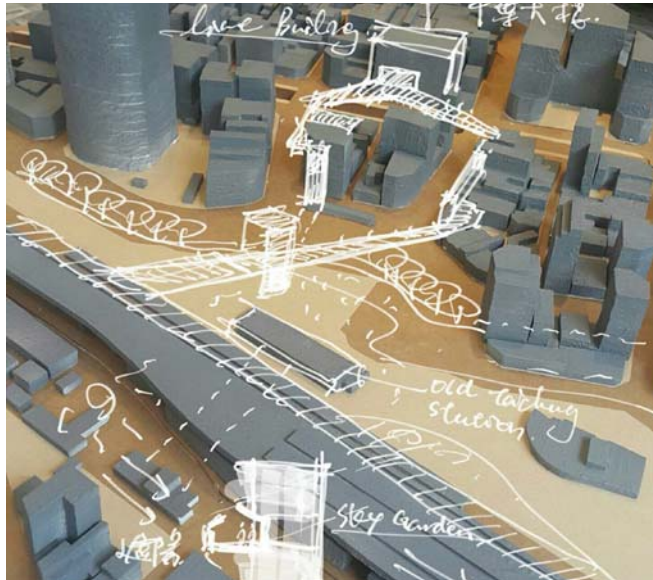
Full of high rise buildings surrounding people like a **fortress**

Pedestrian flows like rivers continuing to converge and to interleave with vehicular movements.

Pedestrian movement is to be linked to passageways of bridges.

leading to the local treasure imprint of Taichung products.



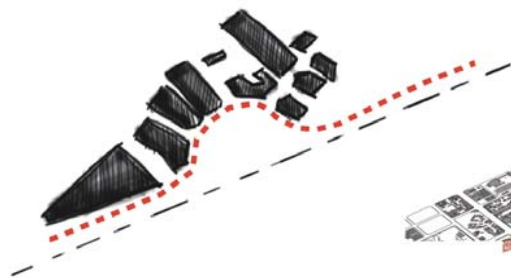


Concept sketches of a link (skywalk) - a hidden bridge



Tablet > Symbolic > Represent landscape and entrance of Taichung

Foreigners & local people stagger through places, people gathered and stay here, symbolizing the entrance of the Taichung.



Fort > Surround > Surrounded by buildings

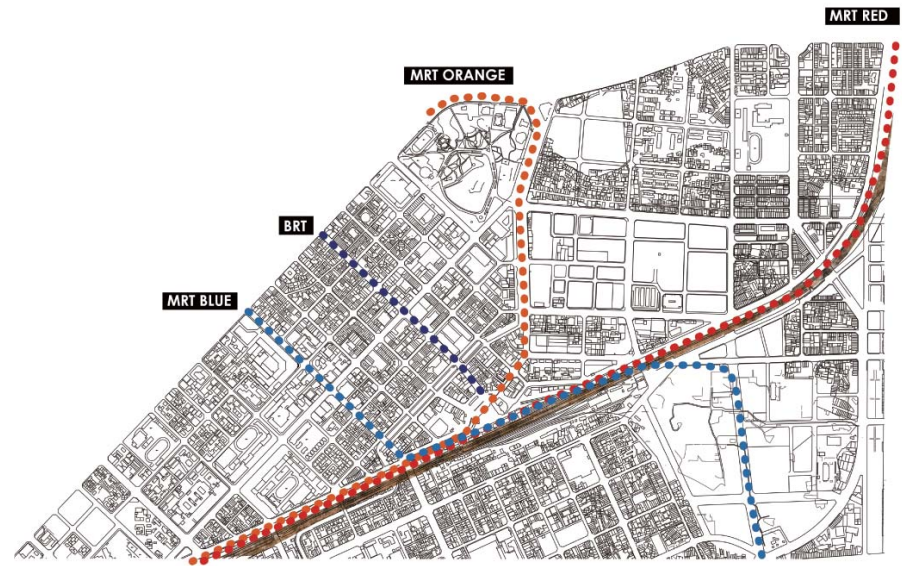
With the natural development of the city, changing skyline,
The concrete slowly surrounding the entrance of the city,
The formation of a sense of siege is created.



River  Flows  traffic flowing system of the urban texture



public space in Taichung



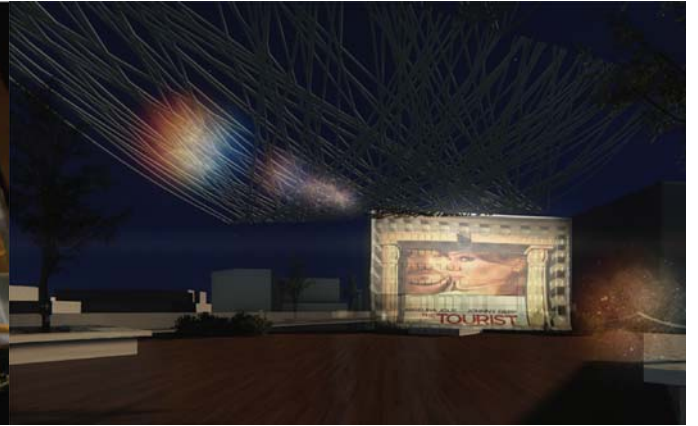
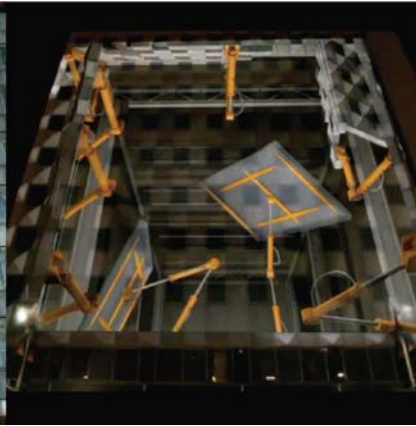
MRT Lines in Taichung



Chian Ye Old building



3D Projection Mapping in facades



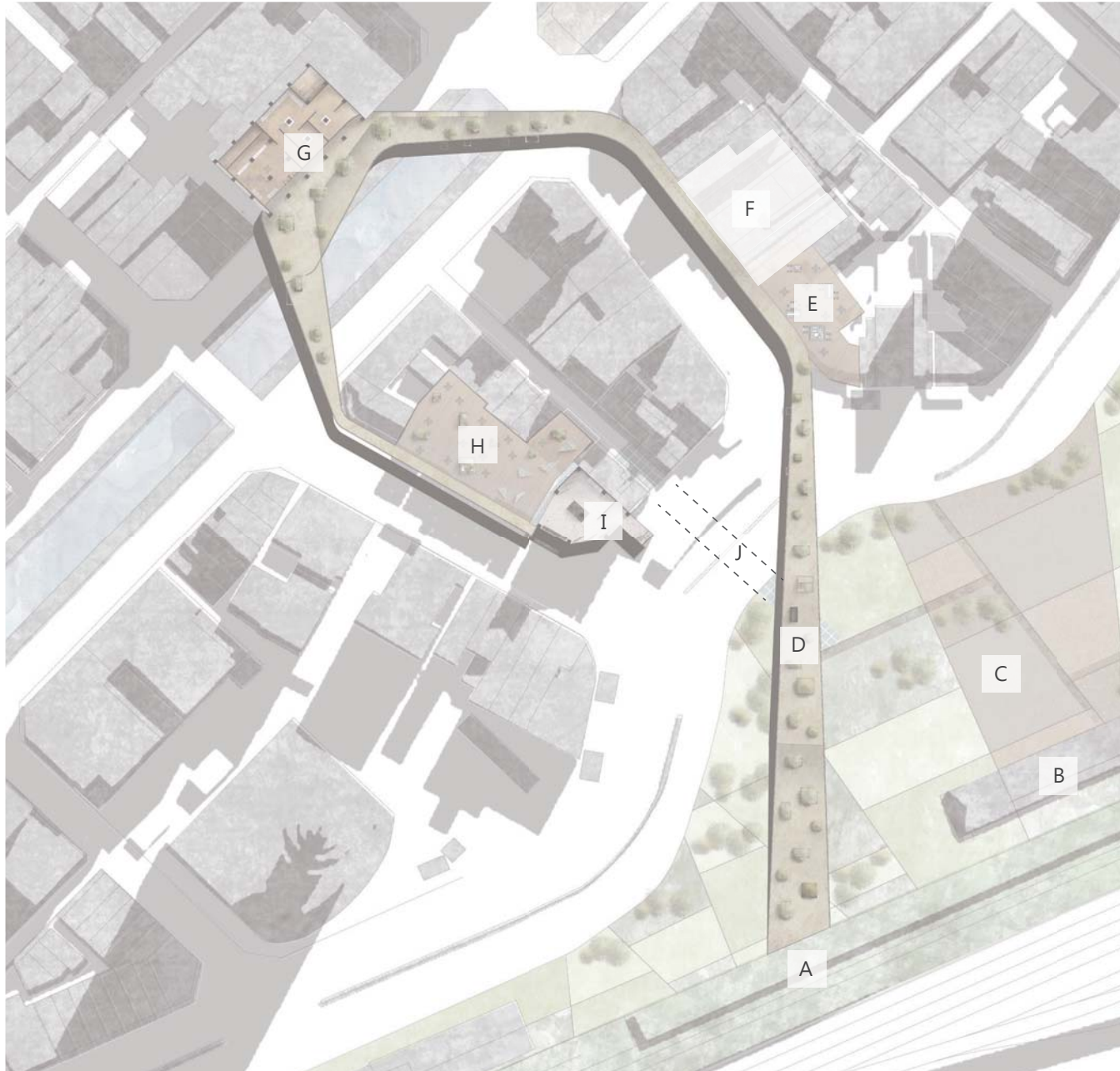
Performance halls / Multi-functional space



Old Building Regeneration

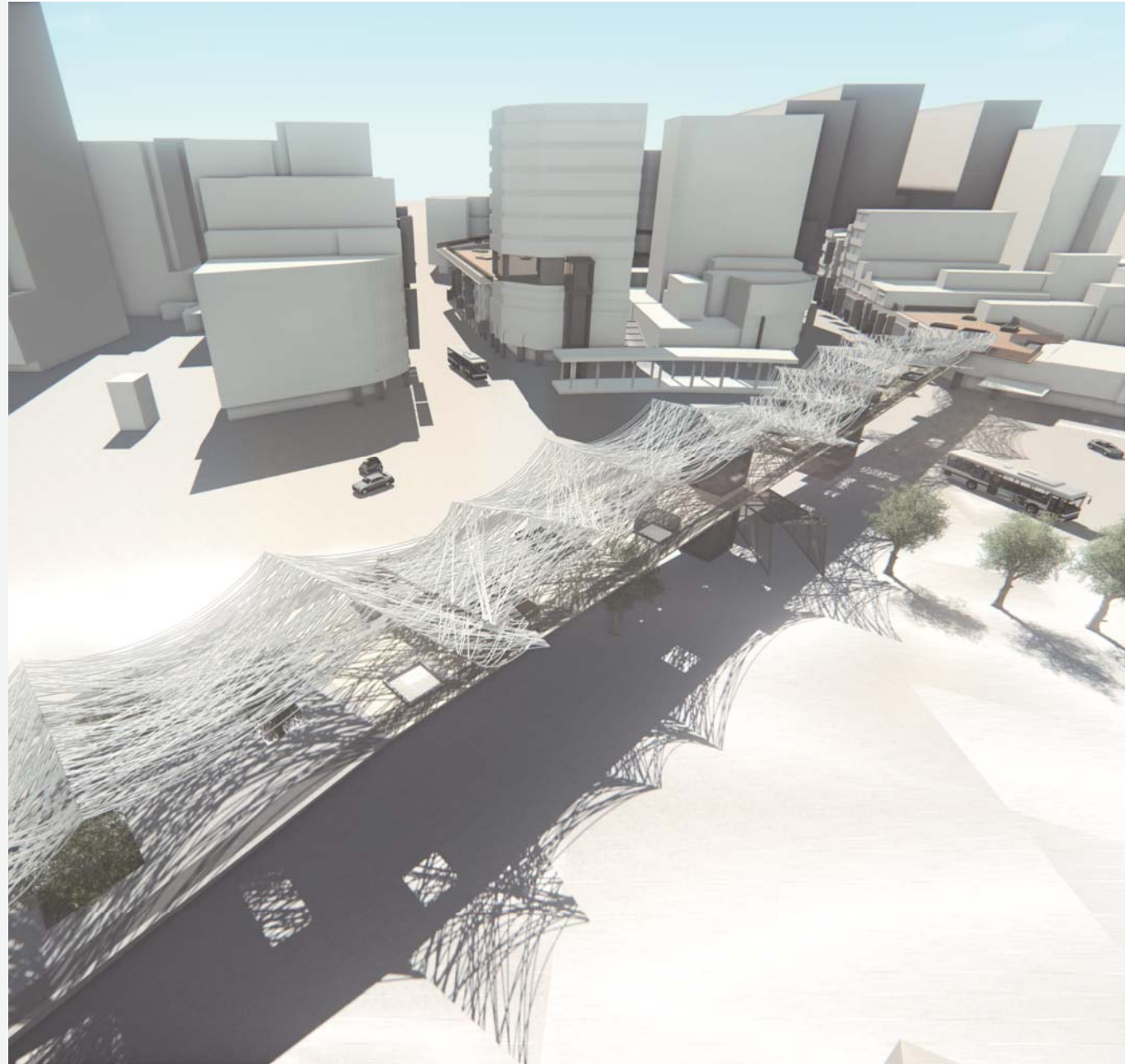
The Idea

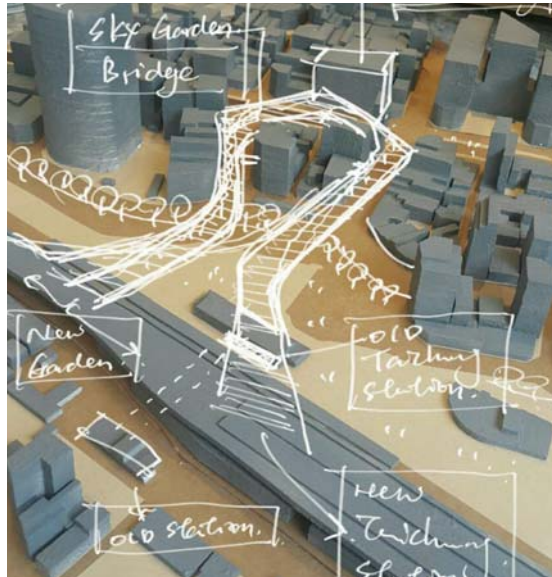
To design a bridge that connects nodes featured with high population activity, becoming a link of passageway in the city. In addition, to treasure the local elements, such as old historical building, to generate an imprint of Taichung City.



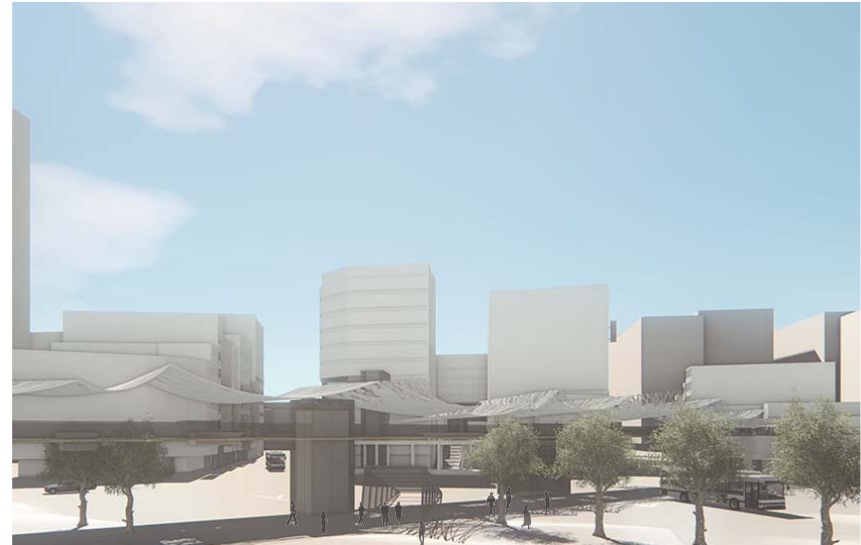
- A Green belt
- B Taichung old train station
- C Piazza
- D Skywalk garden
- E The rooftop plaza
- F Sky shopping street
- G Performance halls / Multi-functional space
- H The rooftop plaza / Coffee shop / gallery
- I Gallery
- J Pedestrian subway

Giving a transparent material to enable light penetrating into the underground walkway



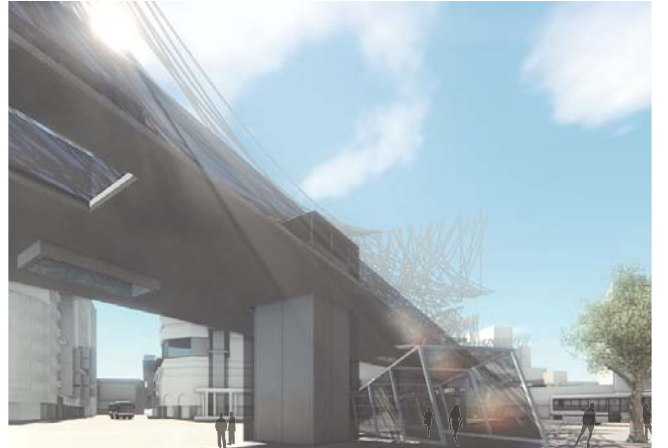
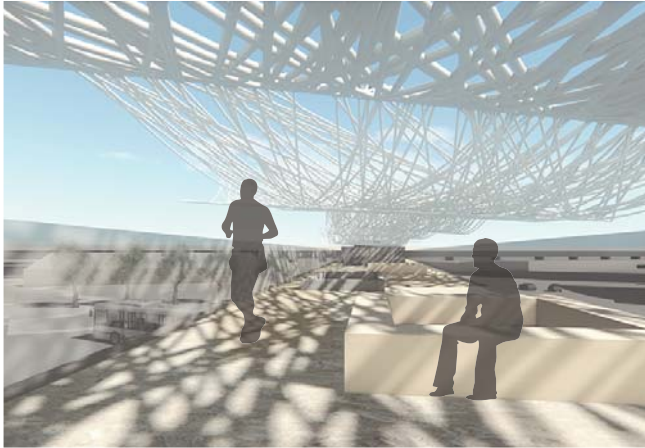
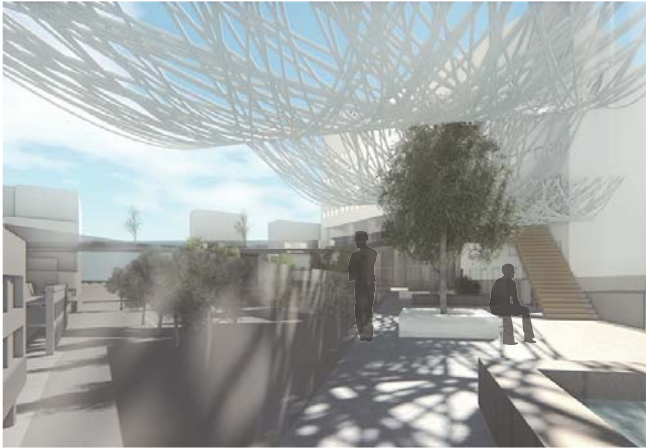


The idea is to connect nodes that encourage activities to occur around the area

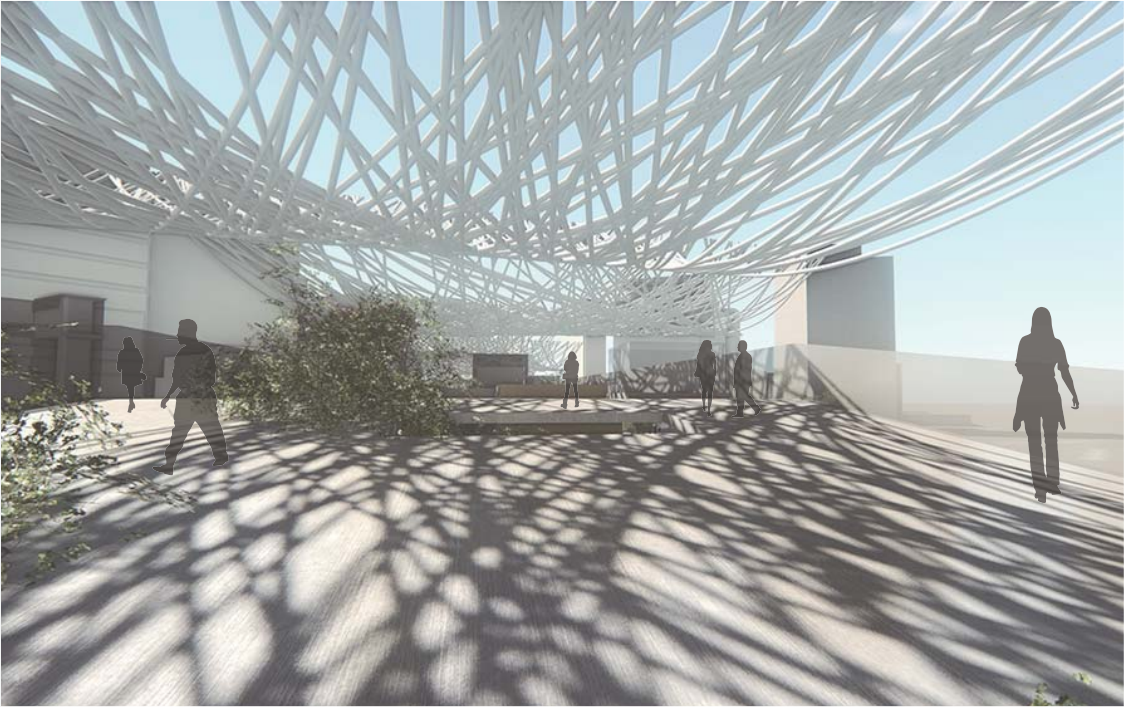


Perspective view of the skywalk from a distance. The shed underneath the skywalk provides opportunities to have more activities during the day, in Asia, people like to hang out in the spaces that are not exposed to the sun. Due to our geographical location, we are scorched by scorching sunlight throughout the





The skywalk is to designed to integrate with the surrounding buildings. The initial idea is to create a green belt within and into the buildings, letting the lanscape integrate the outdoors with the indoors of the buildings. A variety of functions are placed under a large roof shed to create a vivid space that is beneficial for the greens to grow.



Trees planting and light design

Street furniture and waterfall
Playing with water Place



Public toilets

Landscape open space



Elevators

Taichung local Souvenir shop
Bookstore / Coffee shop



Skywalk garden section

When the second entry appears in the old building
Let the crowd embark on the roof that
provides a more sun shading platform.



Shopping malls or Performance Hall



Skywalk garden is a good place for people to take a walk or lingers around after a meal or shopping in the building, the city should have more public spaces to encourage people to stroll around the city to make the city become a lively space.



1st PAAU Workshop + Forum 2013

UPDAMI Space Syntax Urban Design Workshop in Yi-Lan

The Place



Yilan Train Station

蘭城之星開發計劃 a future plan from local government to create a big city center for local people, tourists, and workers, by connecting two main stations and adding new programs near by the train station.

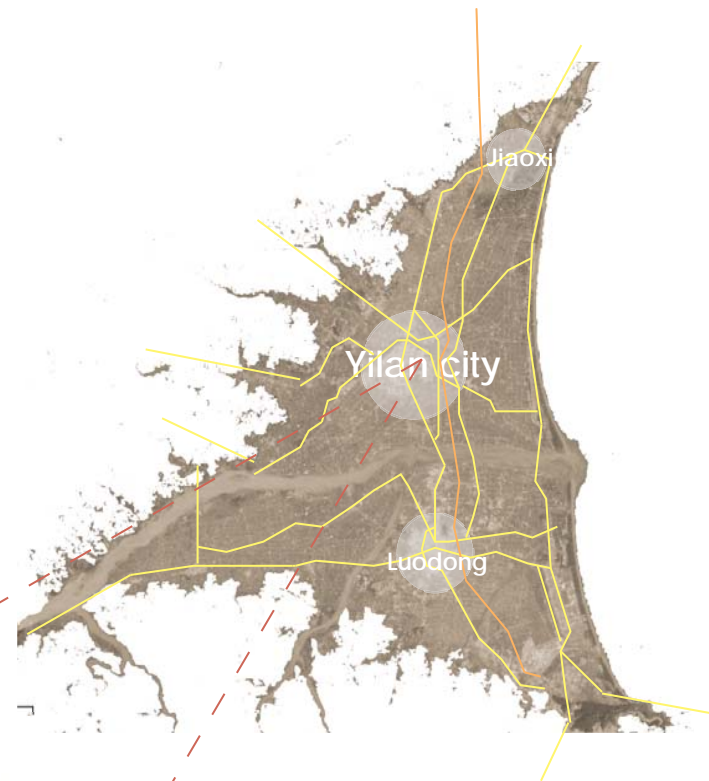
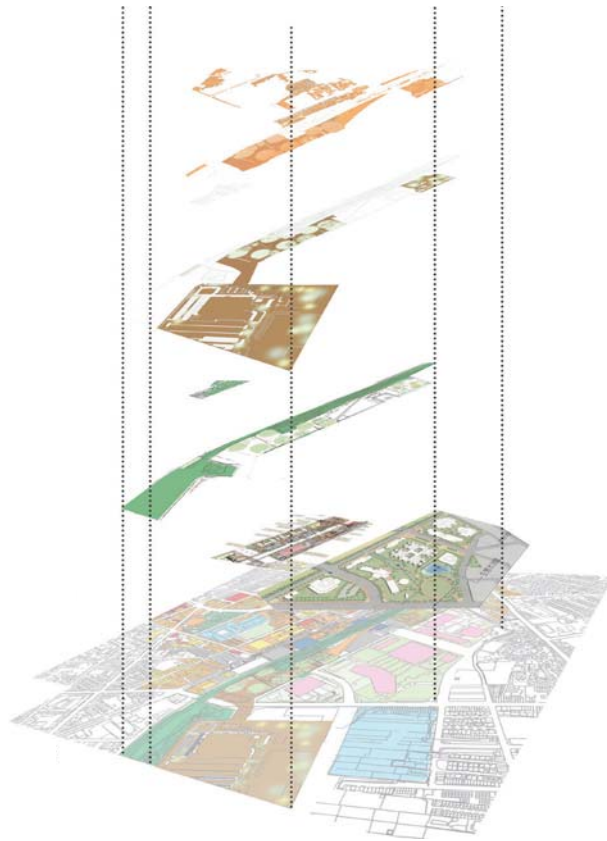
Public link

Farming link

Green link

new buildings on 2 sides of railway

Land use map



From taipei to yilan is only take 40mins
 Yilan 6.5% Jiaoxi 34% Luodong 59.5%



Jimmy park



Diu Diu Dan



Warehouse



Parking area



Government office

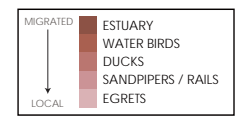
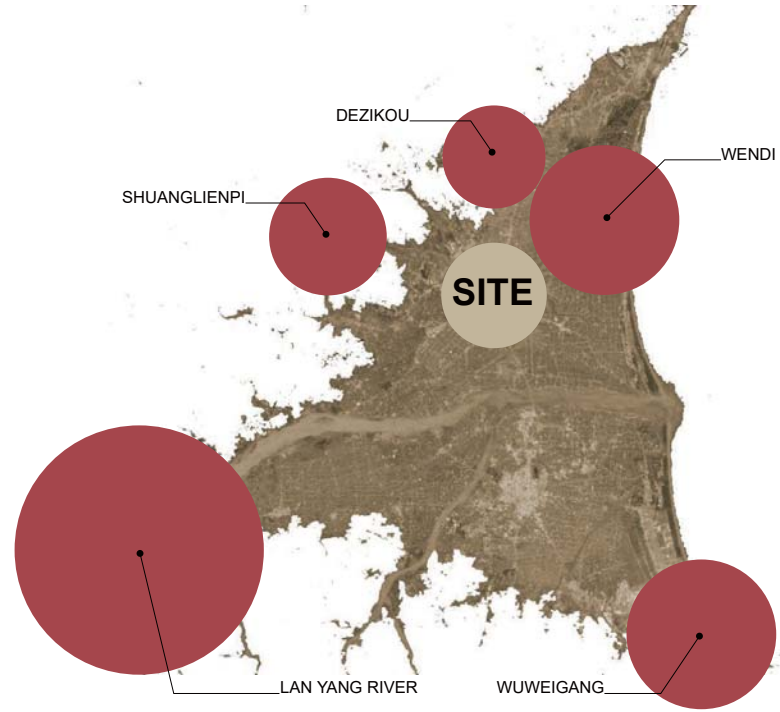
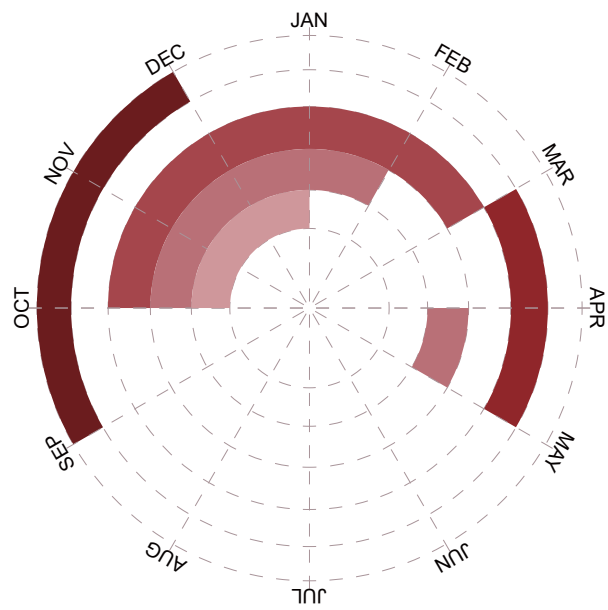


Bus station



- Proposed railway exits
- Bus station
- Proposed market area
- Park
- Public space
- School
- Gov ernment area

BIRDS IN YILAN



* THE RADIUS OF CIRCLE DEMONSTRATES THE AMOUNT OF BIRDS ACCORDING TO RESEARCH



BIOLOGY CENTER

The East-coast of Taiwan possesses huge area of greens for scientists to preserve our green date, and to prevent the extinction of flora and fauna.



EDUCATION CENTER

The people requires a better quality of medical treatment the local people should try to promote the countryside environment to the tourist.



DIFFERENT GENERATION
Hotel
workers, tourists, local people
New residents
retired people, foreigners, students
Business area
newcomers, workers, students,
young generation



PARK CENTER
inculding the big nature reintroduced in the city
to link between the birds, trees, and green path.





Existing night market

Warehouse

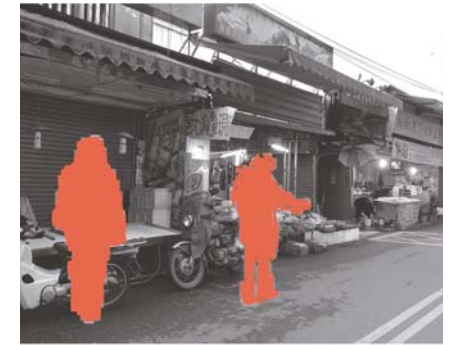
Existing train station

Japanese house

Jimmy park

Important nodes

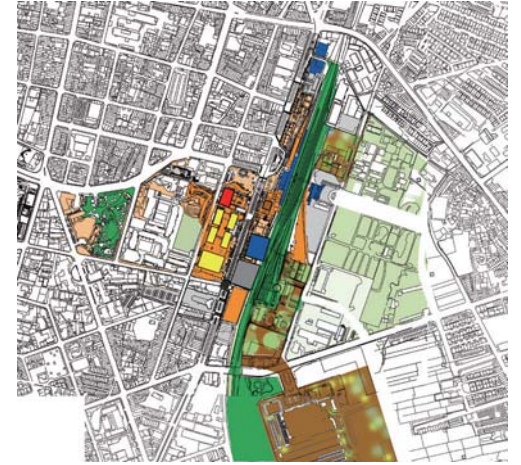
The immediate context around the train station was studied in detail, four important nodes; the Jimmy park, the Japanese house, the Warehouse and the existing market, were identified. Trying to see how the train station could influence and enhance public activities at these place.



The market spaces are losen and with potential, thus the connections can bring in more people to the old market.



The market closes at 10 am, and the shops remain closed during the rest of the day. If the road of the market has been connected toward the surroundings, it may generate more opportunity for business potential.



landscape

Night market

Jimmy house

Commercial

Elevator

Street furniture



Jimmy park attracts only tourists and not local inhabitants



Most of the times the park is empty during the morning hours



All the tourists who visits the park take pictures and leave. In spite of benches provided they do not halt at the park.





A few stalls, selling juices and drinks not many people waiting at the bridge during the day.

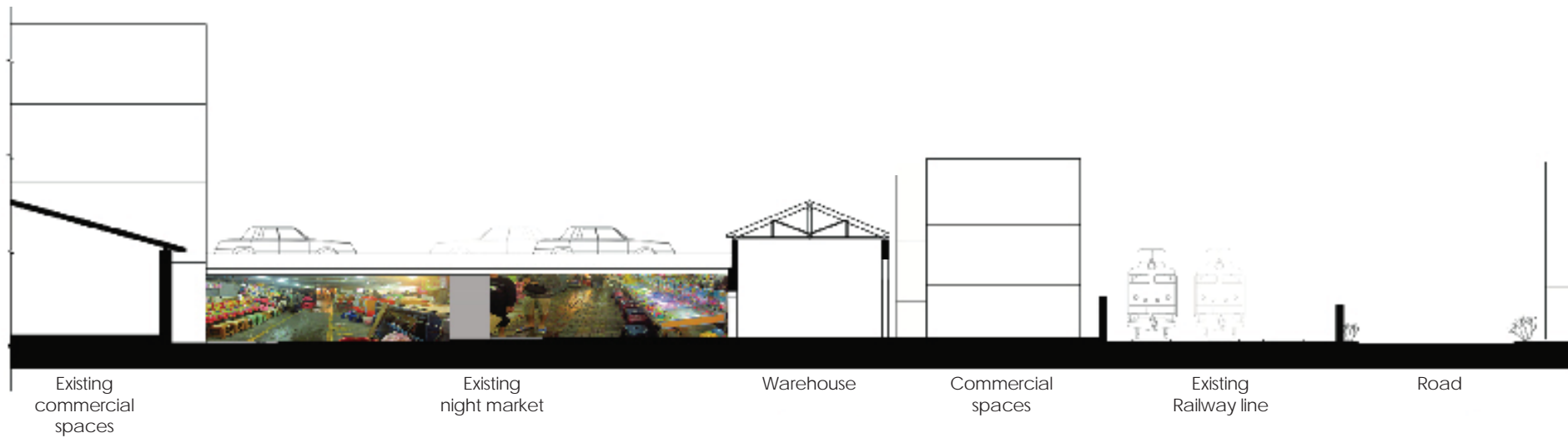


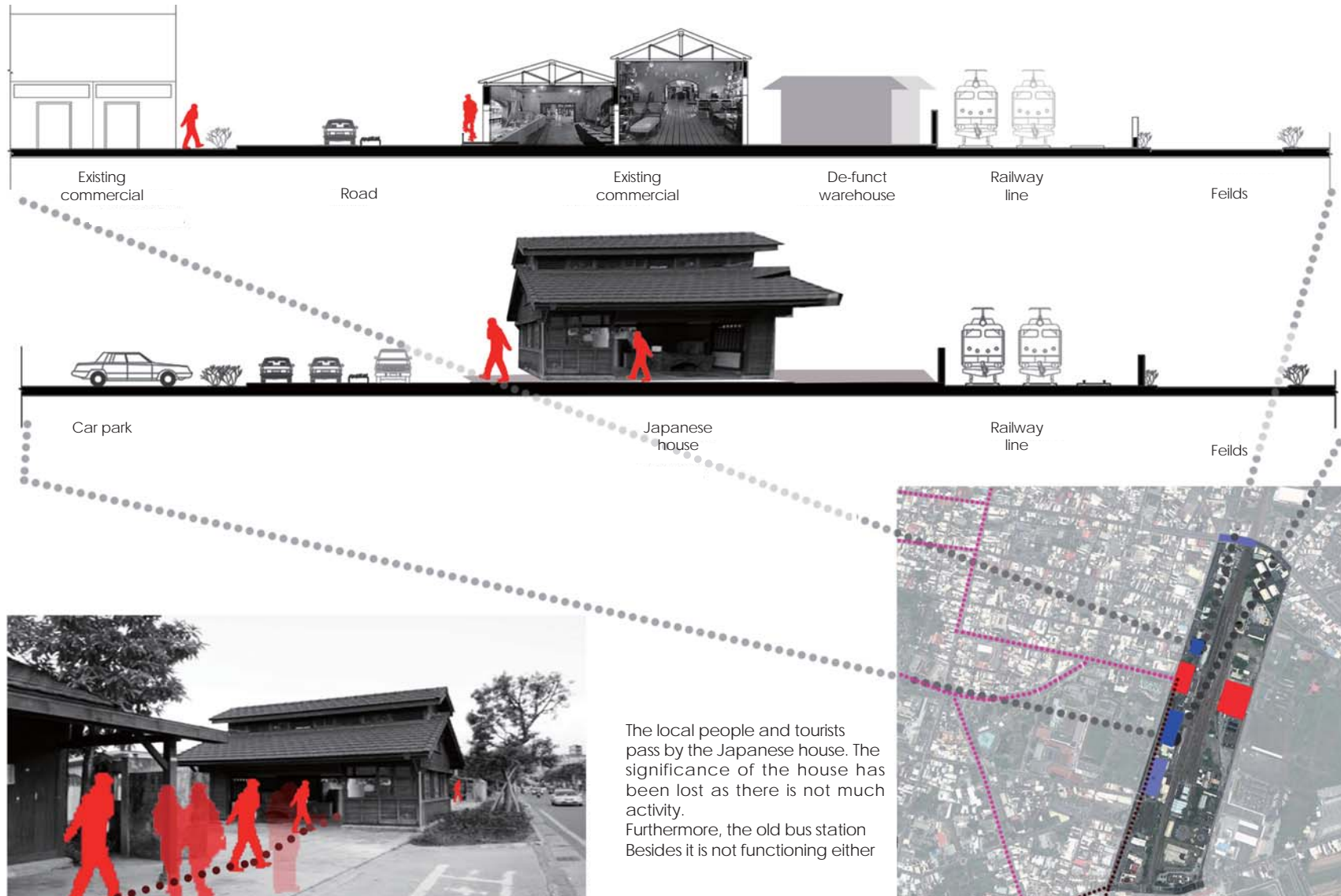
Area of night market in the afternoon

The night market is a little distance away from the Train station and it does not provide car parking space.

The current car park is located at the opposite side of the station. Perhaps, linking the market to the surroundings which can be more convenient to local inhabitants and visitors and may even make the train station a lively place.

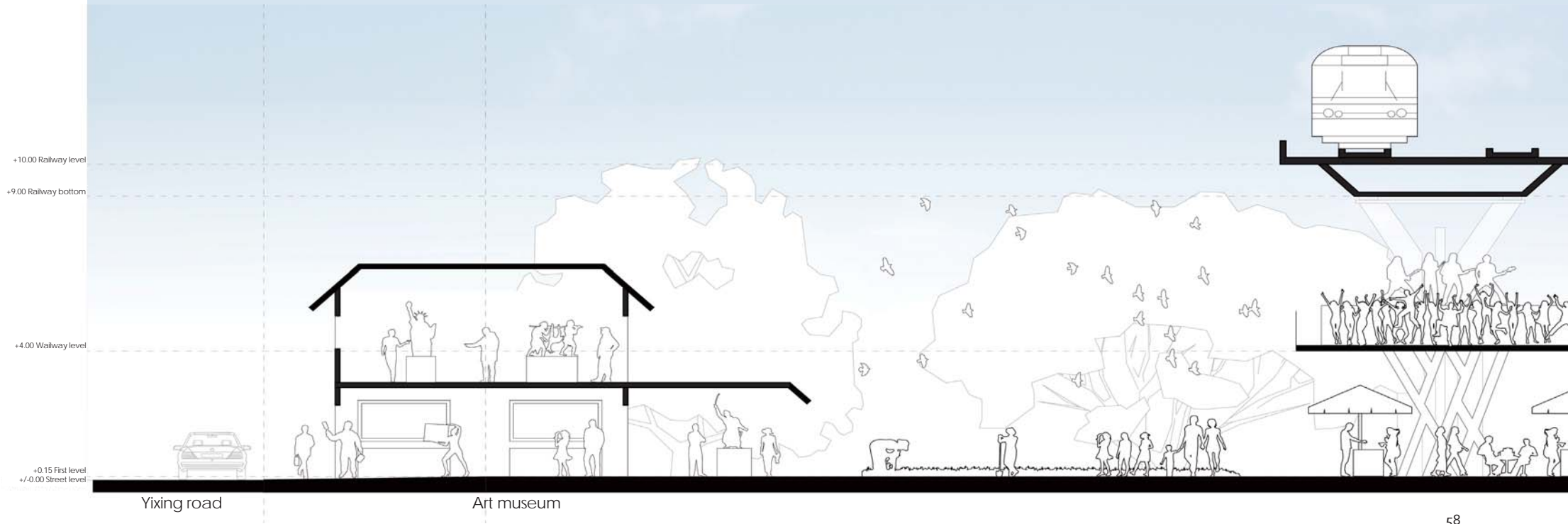
Moreover, the de-function warehouses can become functional ones again.

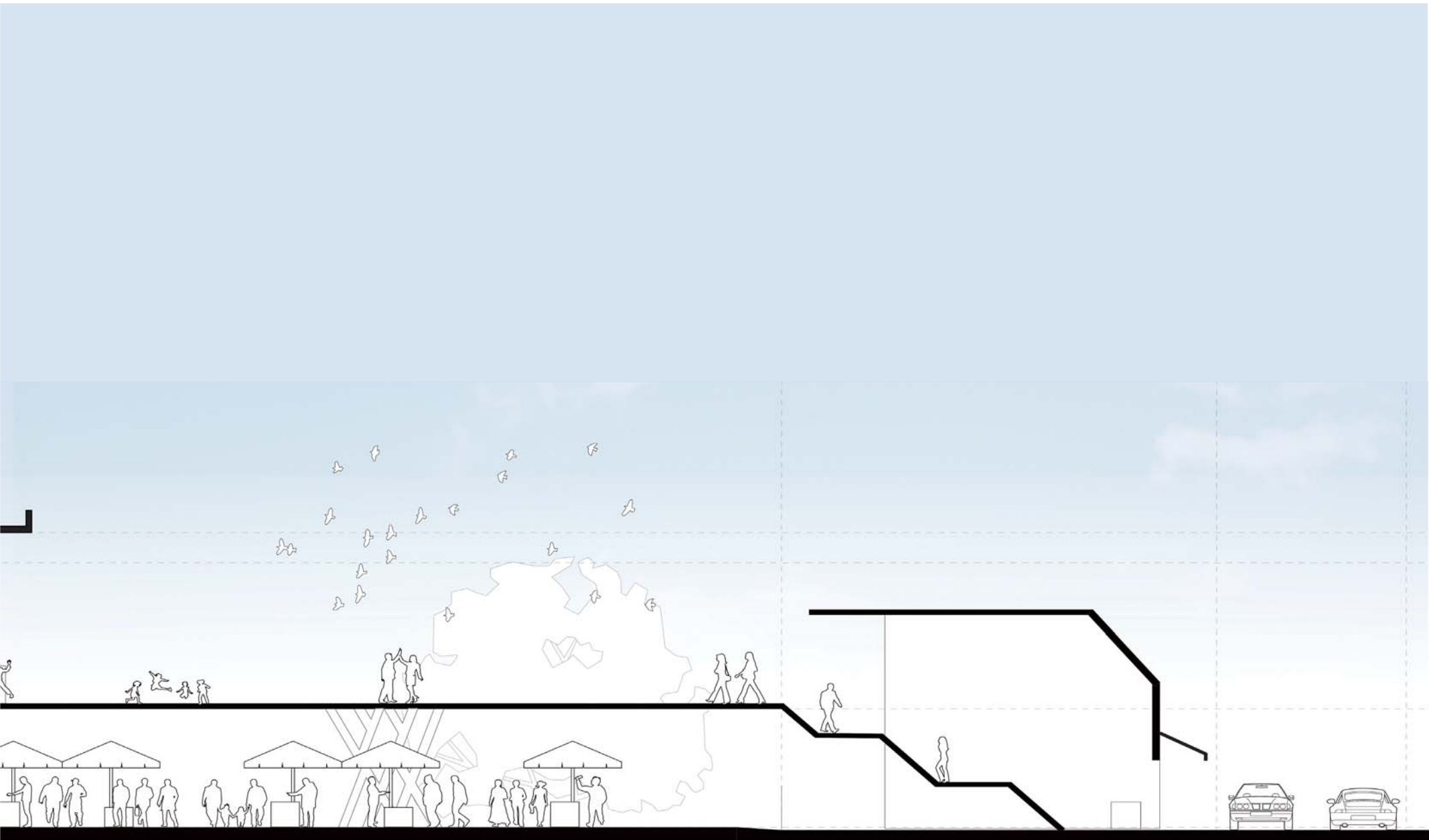




The local people and tourists pass by the Japanese house. The significance of the house has been lost as there is not much activity. Furthermore, the old bus station Besides it is not functioning either

Section A-A'



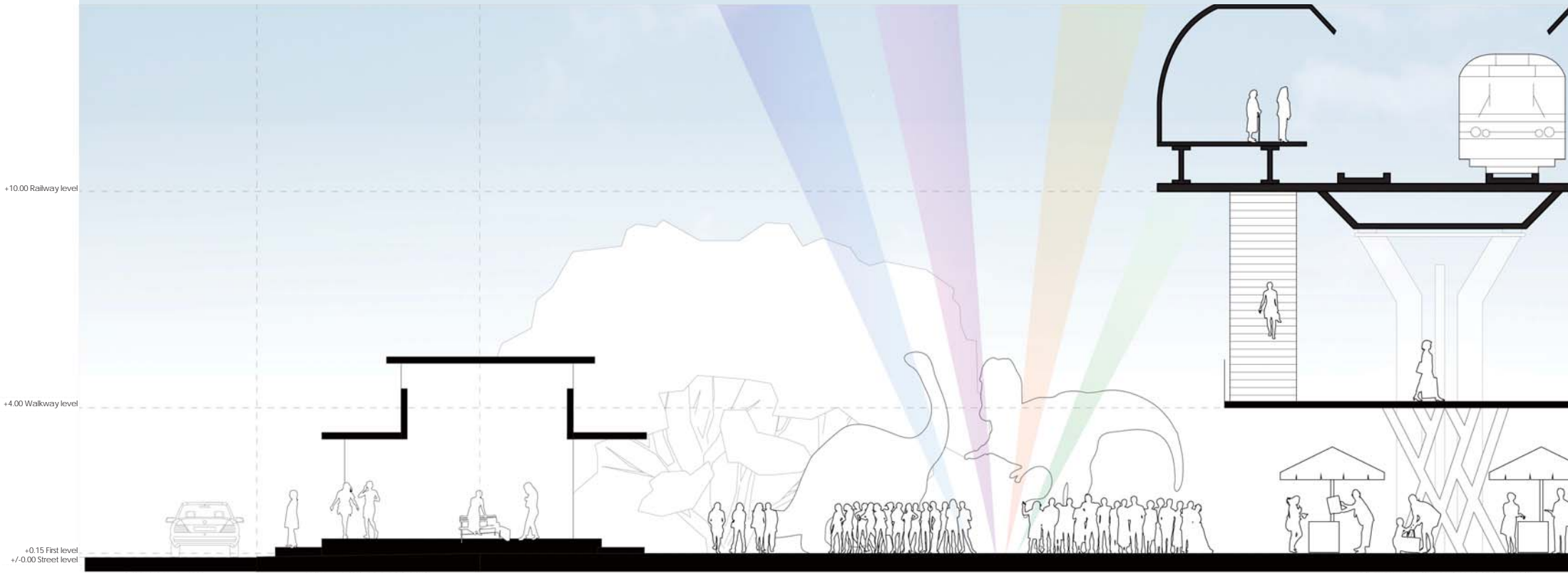


Site on existing railway

Train ticket station

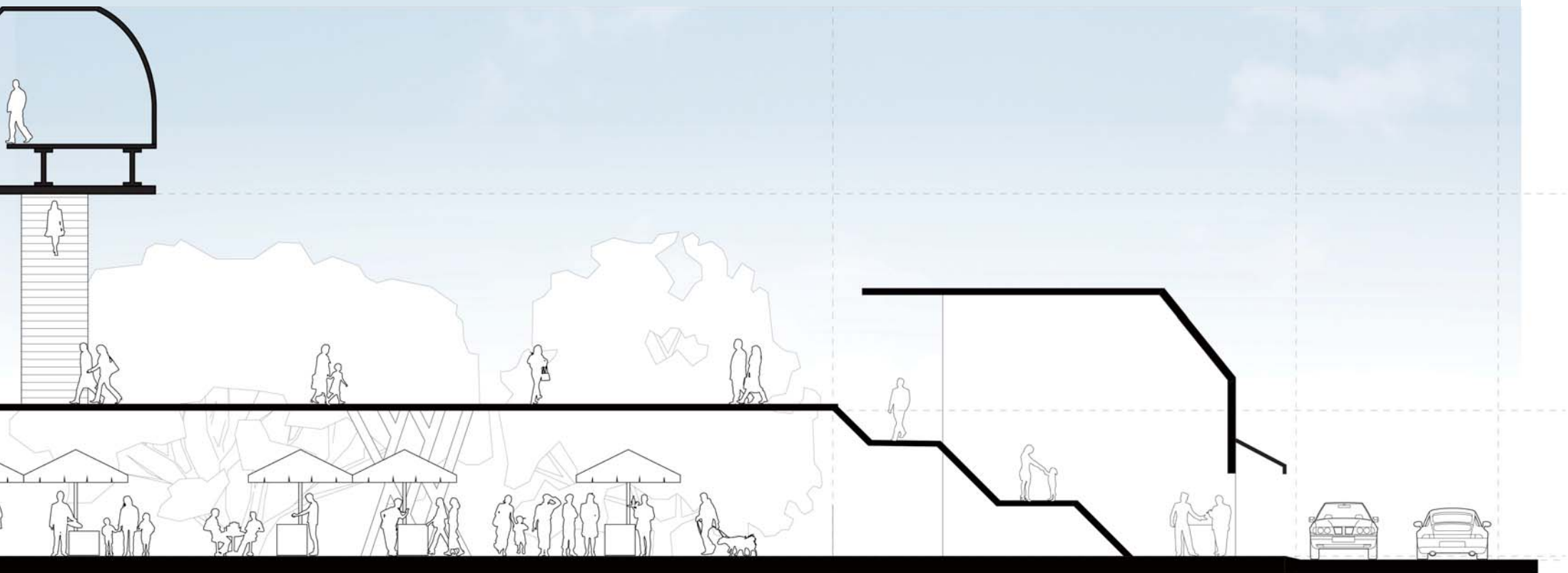
Linsen road

Section B-B'



Yixing road

Old train station

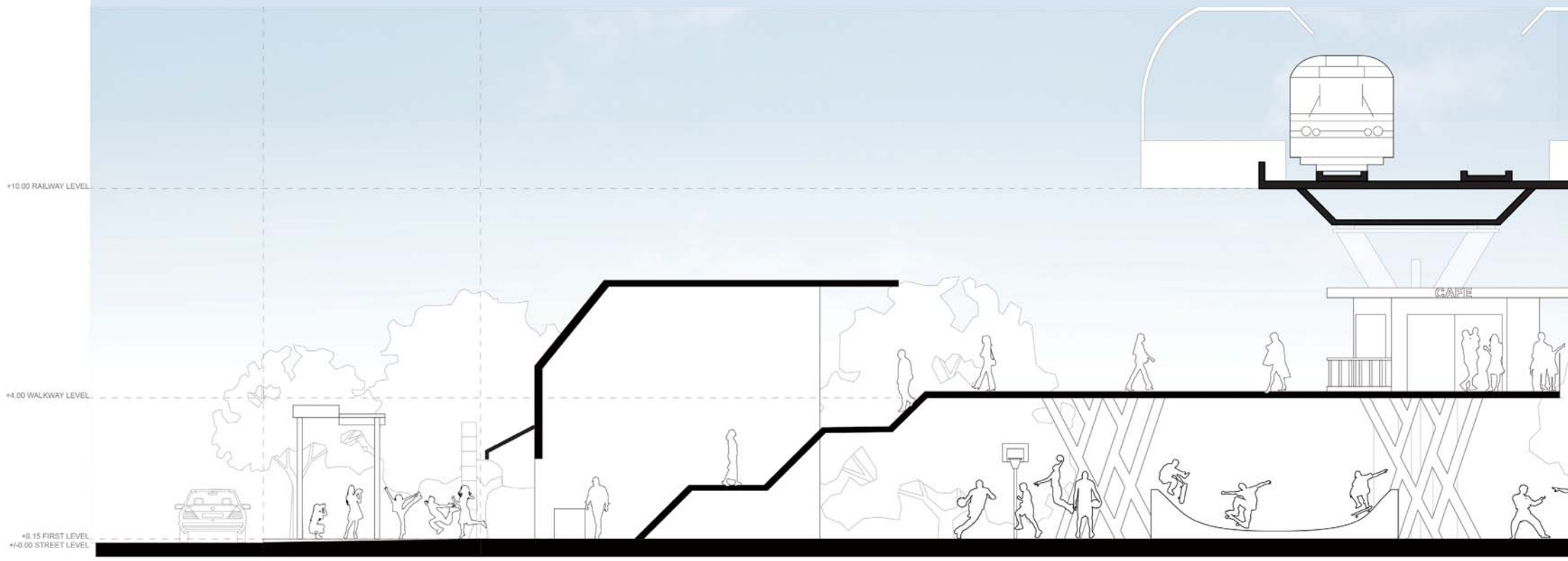


Site on existing railway

Train ticket station

Linsen road

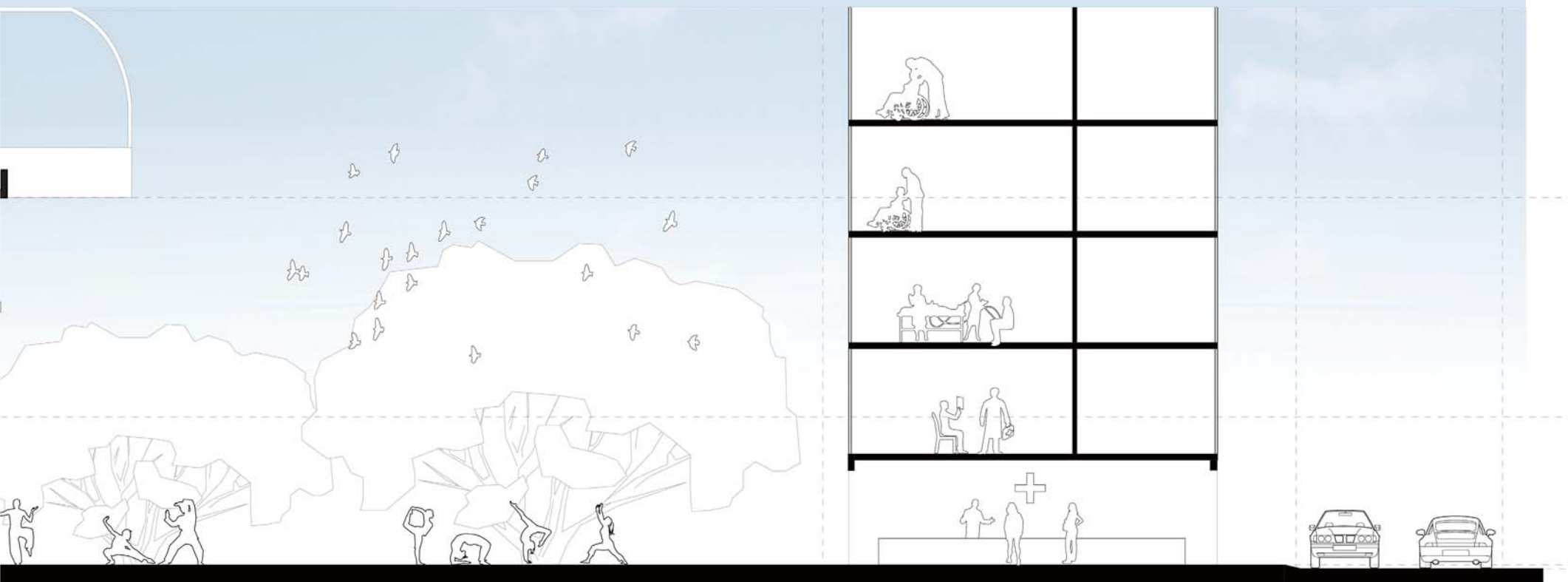
Section C-C'



Yixing road

Jimmy's artwork square

Train ticket station



Site on existing railway

Hospital

Linsen road

International competition

CTBUH Student Competition



CONCEPT SKETCHES

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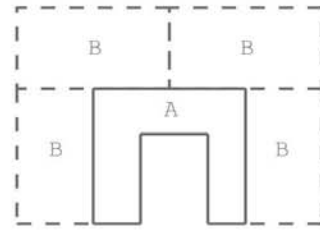


Traditional villages



Sky tree

02 PLAN RELATIONSHIP

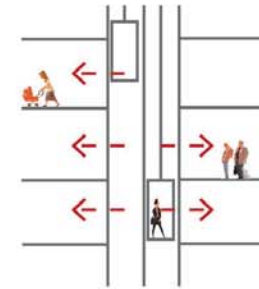


Original plan type

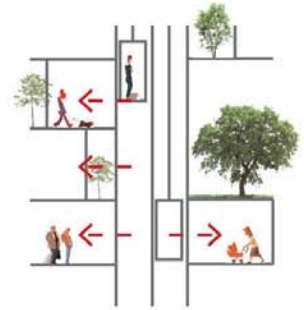


New garden type

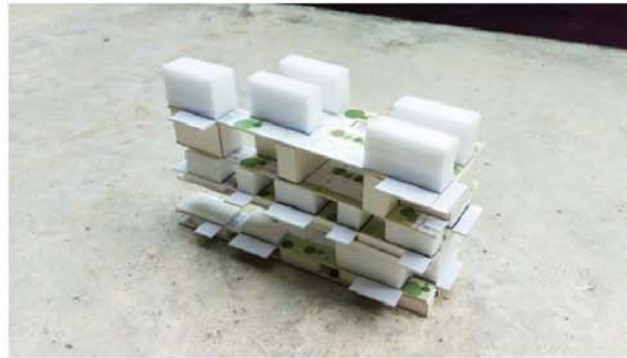
03 SECTION VISUAL



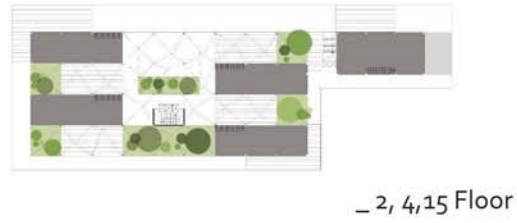
Common building



Vertical green



DESIGN PLAN



DESIGN BRIEF

Cambodia is currently faces faces a lot of construction and is at the beginning of transition, the majority of low-density residential gradually extending to the sky line. Start thinking about the design of local people's habits, and for the local popular housing types or scale to categorize, such as single-family villas. The low density and medium density housing will be broken up and reassembled in vertical type, like constantly overlapping layer. Imagine the future of collective housing can have more open spaces and green cover rate, improving the normal collective housing's neighbor relationship. Due to stacking of different strata on the building facade, staggered fill the space void space. Greening the city and regulating urban microclimate.



Biomimicry competition

Biomimicry Global Design Challenge



HOME FOOD GARBAGE DECOMPOSER
by Jiaqi Tan / Echo Yang / Rex Chen / Wentao Zhang



350,000,000 tons
global consumer food garbage each year

≈ 10% totally global food supply

1,993,000t
consumer food garbage, Taiwan, 2014

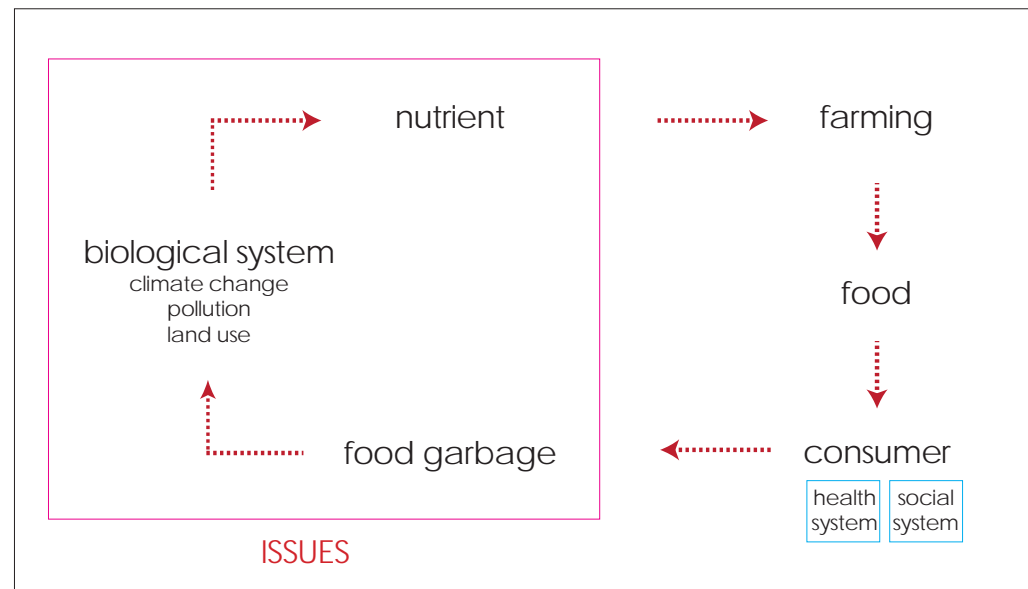
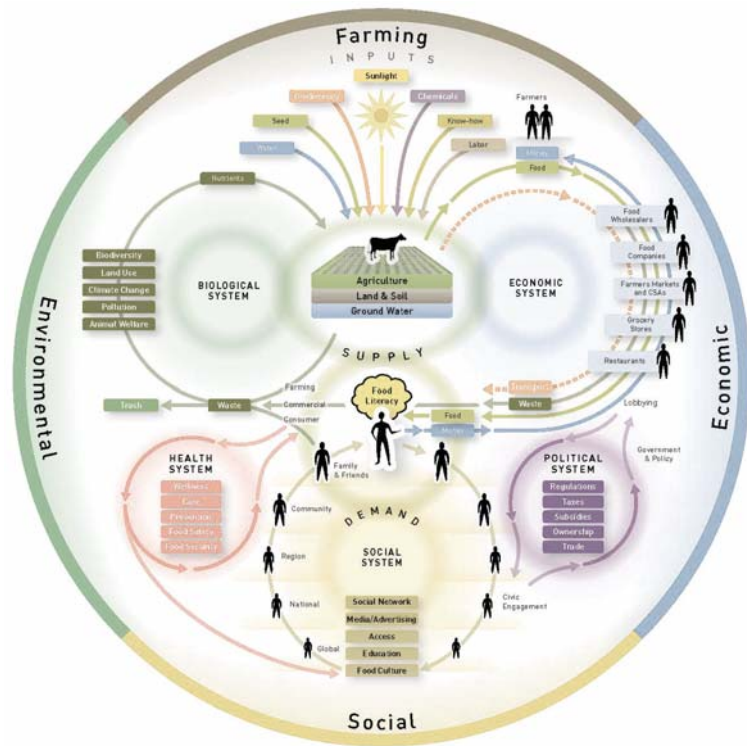
volume ≈ 6 Taipei 101

incineration & landfill **60%**

recycle feeding pigs **28%**

recycle compost **12%**

Food garbage issues & strategy in food system



Strategy: Aerobic compost at home

- long-term compost space
- continuously enough oxygen

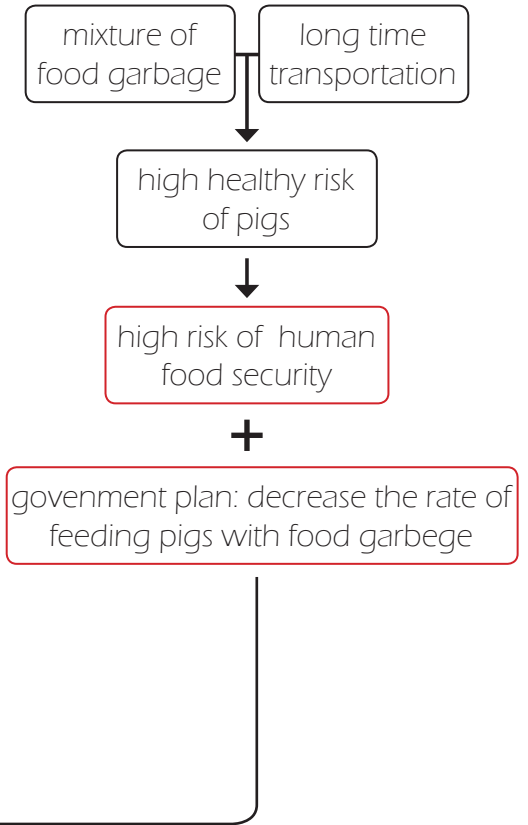
FOOD GARBAGE RECYCLE MODE IN TAICHUNG



Resident in Taichung creating food garbage compost 5,394 ton each year, in a consequence creating green house gases during the process.



feeding pigs 90% 46,797 t each year



How to deal with amounts of food garbage in Taichung ?

FOOD GARBAGE TRANSPORTATION PROCESS IN TAICHUNG

food garbage stays in transportation process for 24-48 hours before being dealt with
with
5,394 t each year



in house



on its way to transfer station



recycling process



on city roads



in transfer station

garbage rotten



bad smell
+
breeding germs

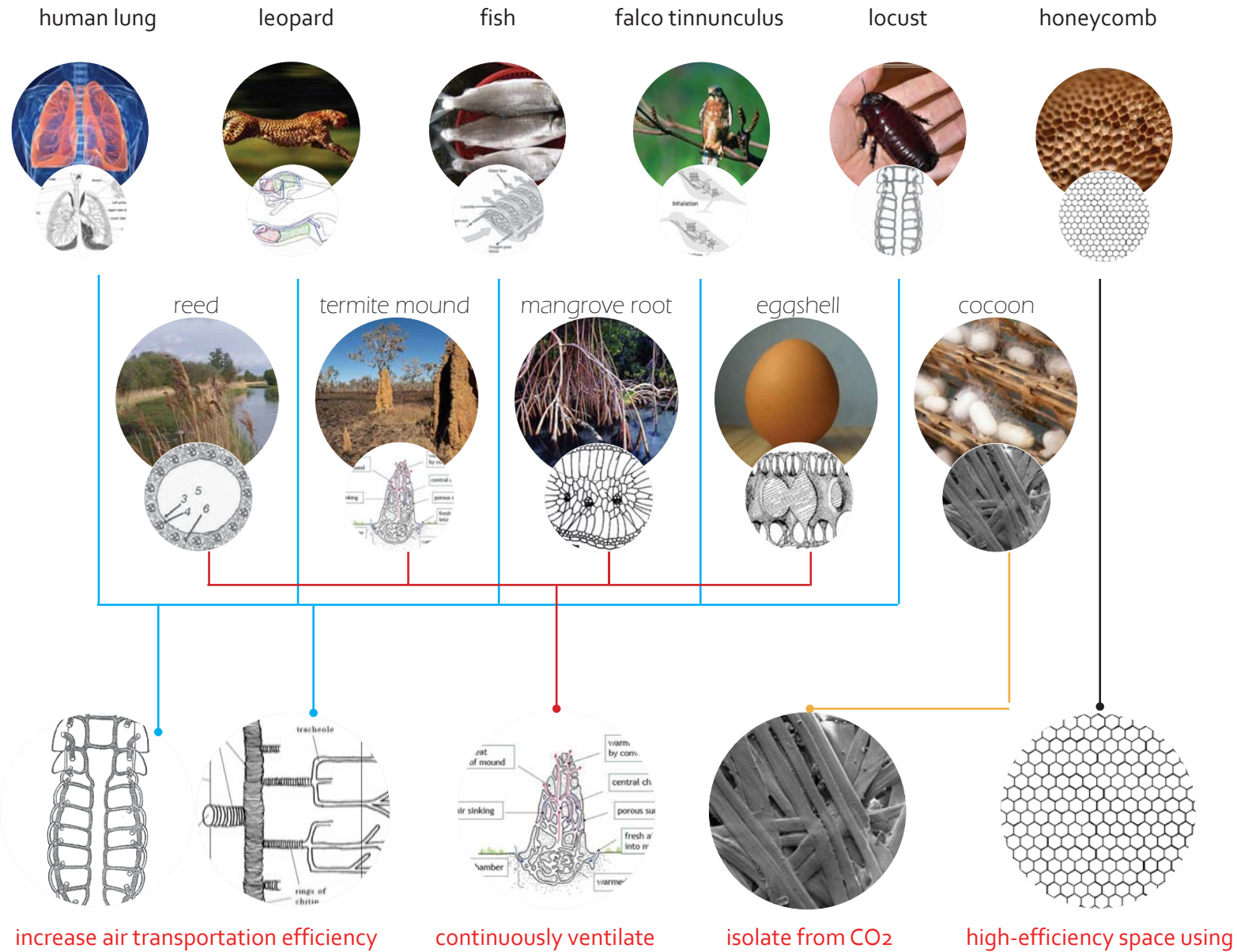


pollution
+
health risk
+
climate changing

How to deal with negative impacts in transportation process ?

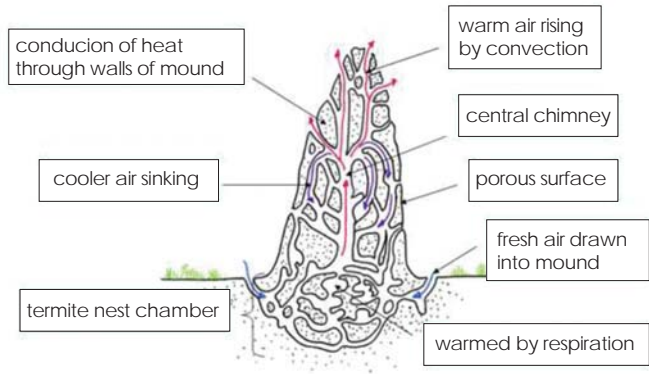


ORGANISMS AND BIOLOGICAL STRATEGIES

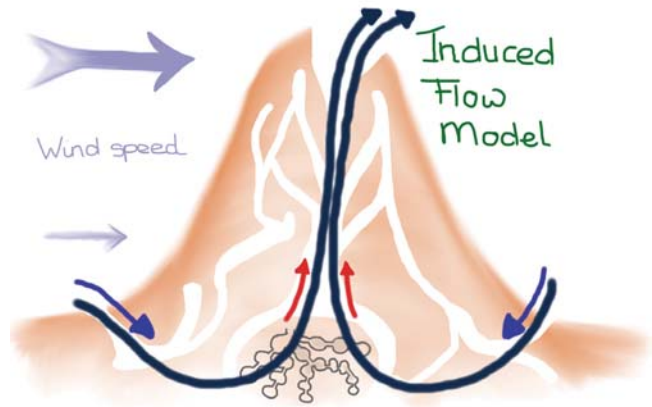


Function: High-efficiency respiration

strategy: continuously ventilation

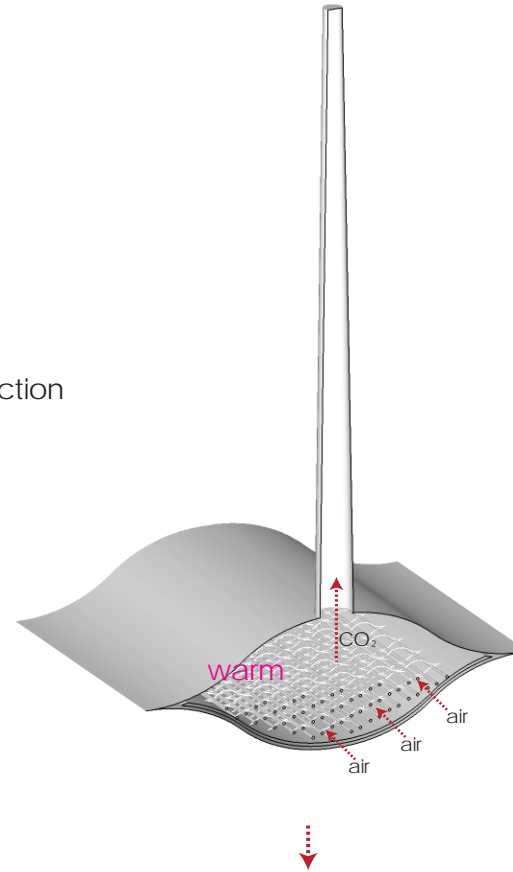


case study: termite mound



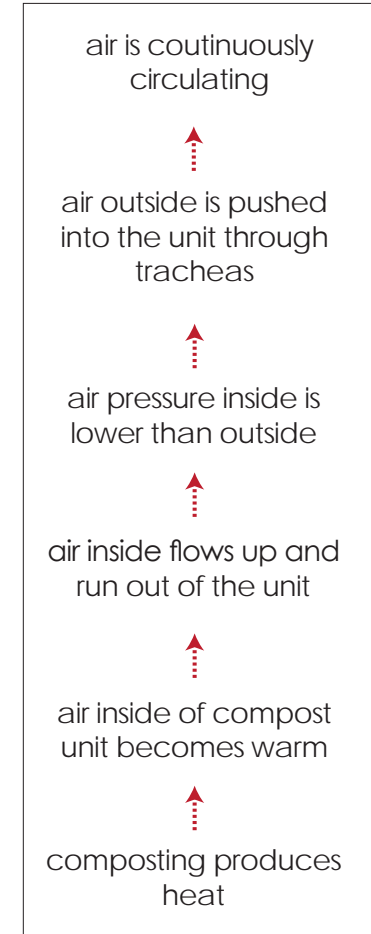
case study: thermosiphon flow model

compost unit section



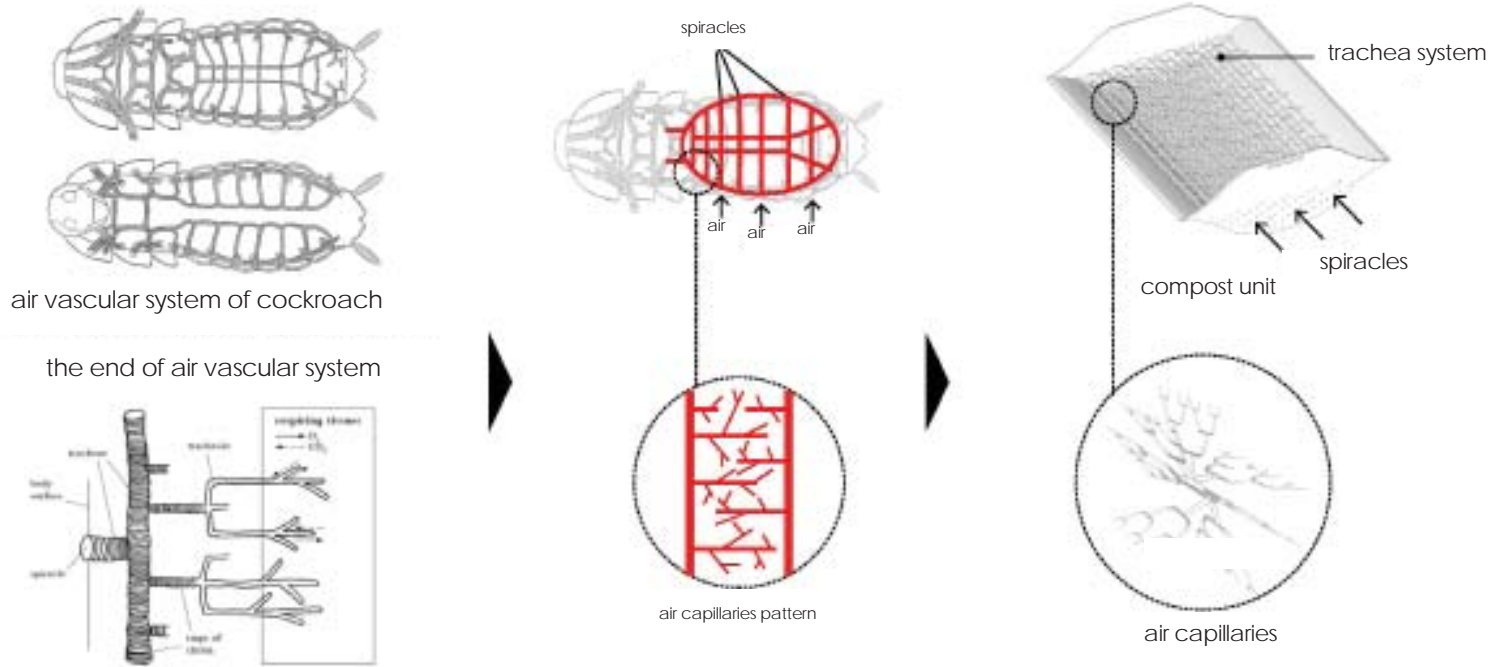
Design intuition

design strategy



Function: High-efficiency respiration

strategy: increase air transportation efficiency



Function: Air purification

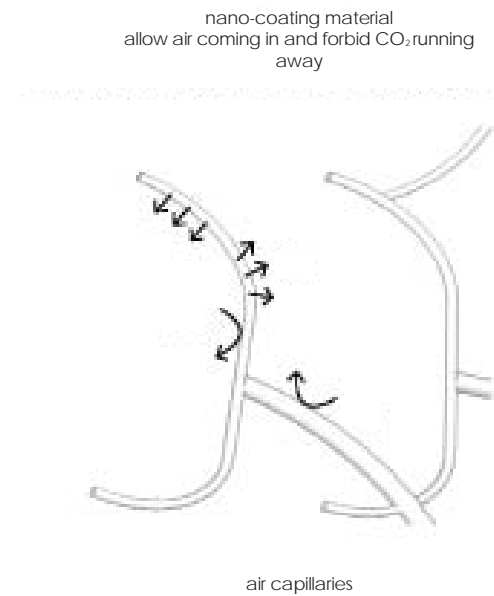
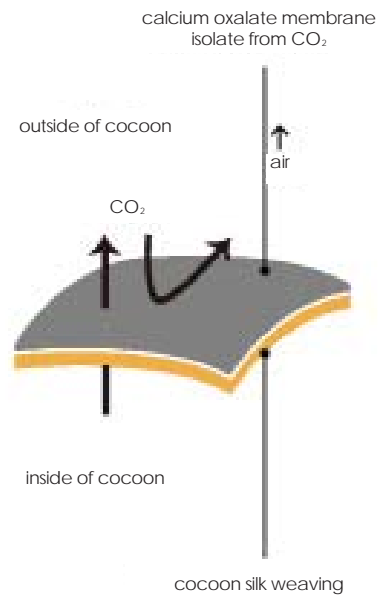
strategy: isolate carbon dioxide



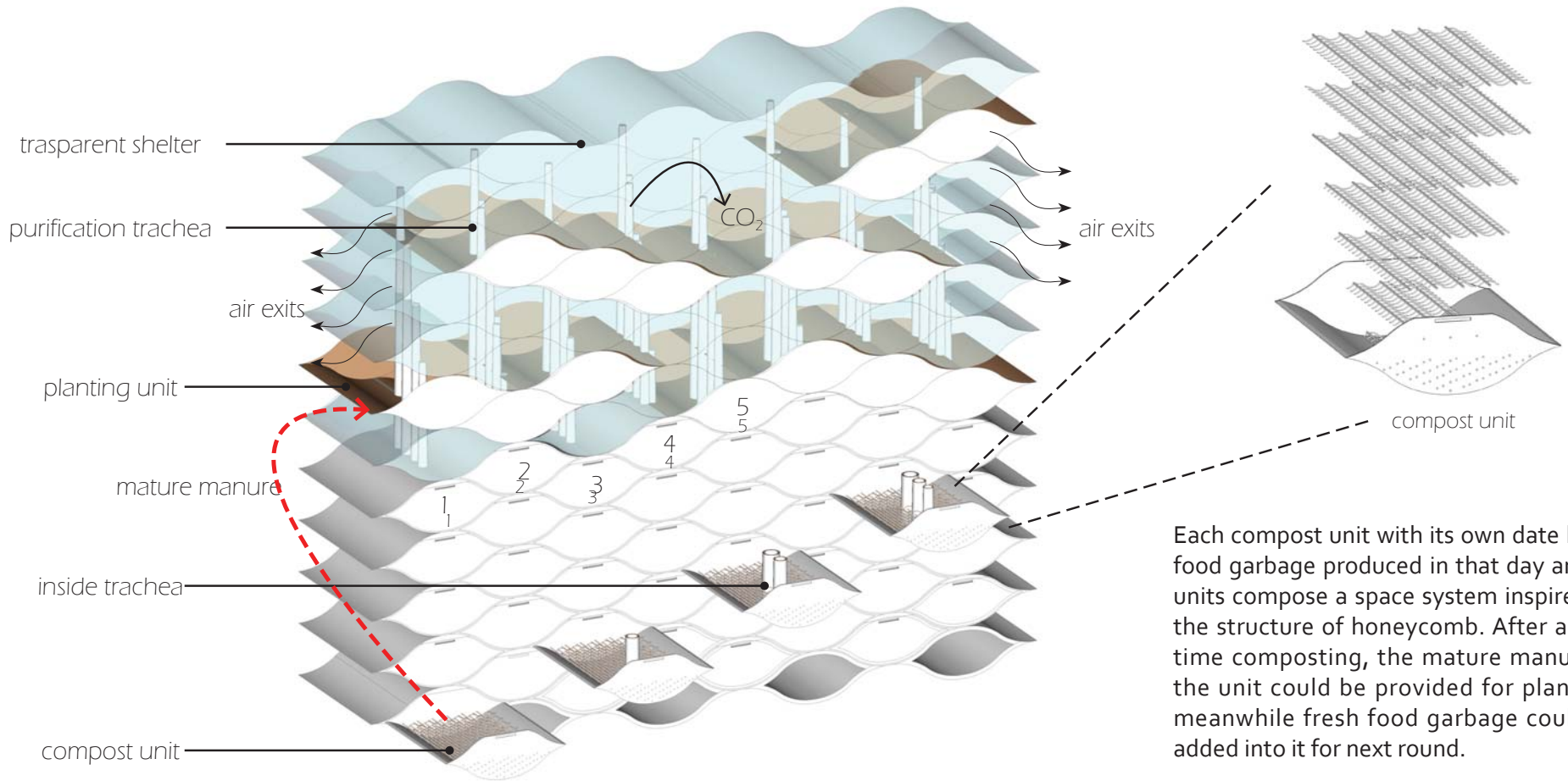
the structure of inner surface



the structure of outer surface



DESIGN MODEL

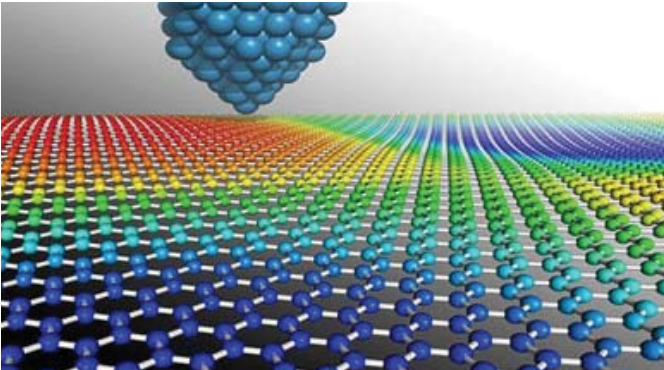


Each compost unit with its own date loads food garbage produced in that day and all units compose a space system inspired by the structure of honeycomb. After a long time composting, the mature manure in the unit could be provided for planting, meanwhile fresh food garbage could be added into it for next round.

Calendar Farming

The design mimics the spatial usage of honeycomb to generate the structural system and compost units are all marked with the date representing the date of garbage, such as 1, 2, and so on for composting in order according to the date. After a period of time sufficiently aerobic composting, mature manure can be taken out of the compost units for planting in upper planting units and then new daily garbage is placed into empty units to create a sustainable food recycling system as well as to beautify the urban

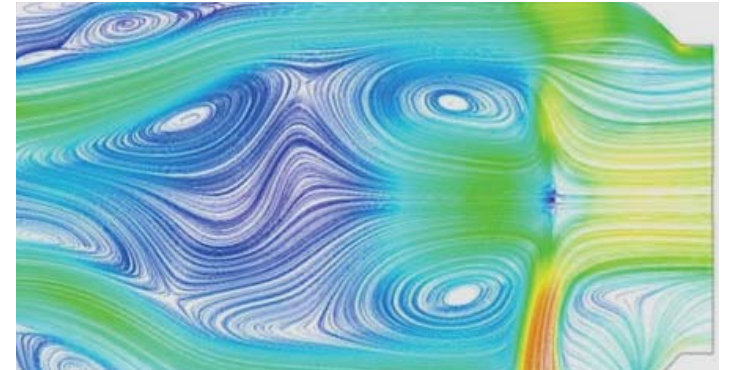
In Future



develop the nano-coating material according to cocoon structure



look for cooperation with the company producing facilities pre-processing (pulverized) food garbage



calculate energy conversion and fluid mechanics of system to confirm the detailed and accurate sizes



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