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A Successful Approach to Achieving Passive House at Scale

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COMPLETED PASSIVE HOUSES



BROOKLYN HEIGHTS,
BROOKLYN NYC



CARROLL GARDENS,
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UPPER WEST SIDE,
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COBBLE HILL,
BROOKLYN NYC

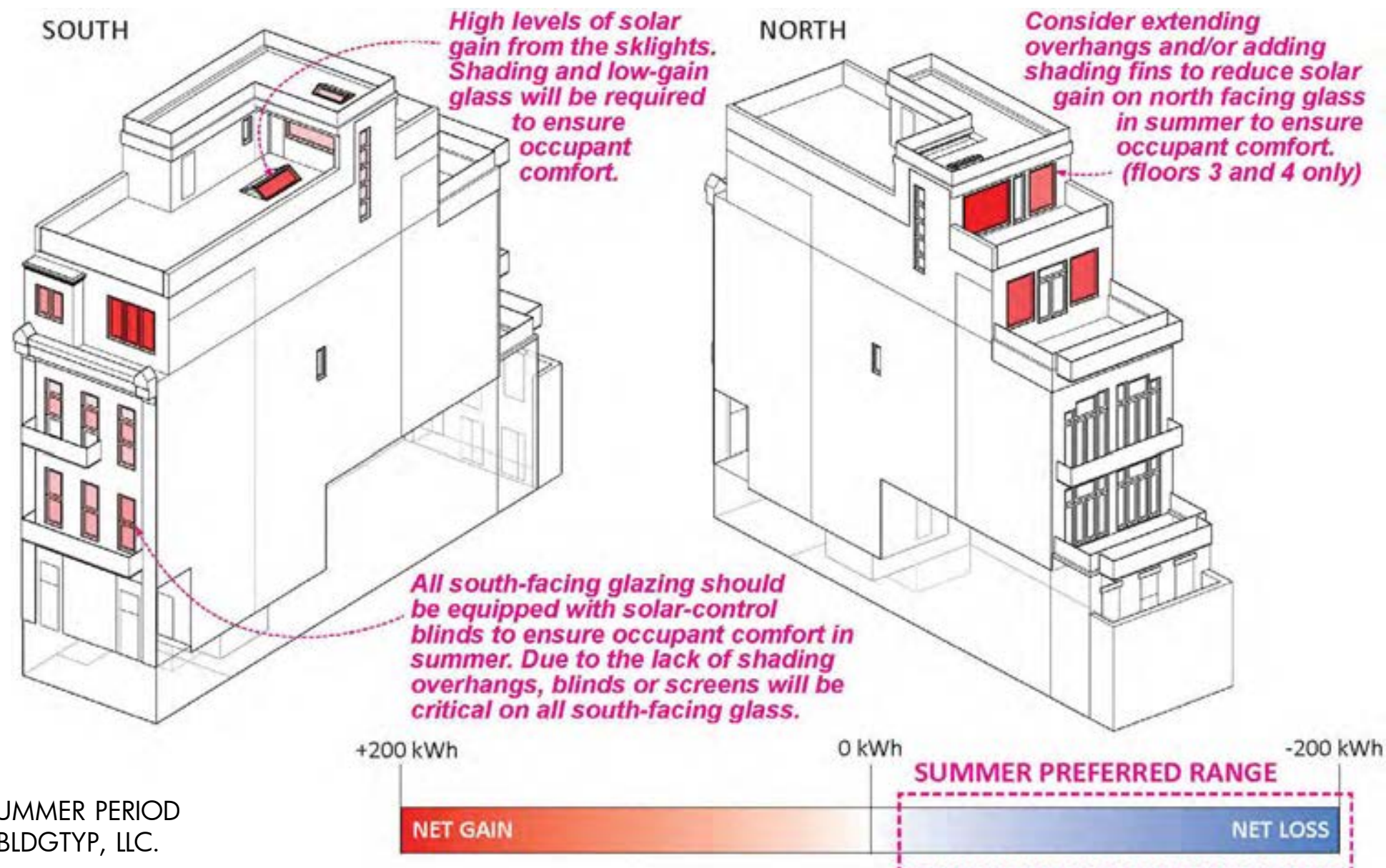


CARROLL GARDENS,
BROOKLYN NYC

A SYSTEMATIC APPROACH TO COST-EFFECTIVE CARBON NEUTRAL BUILDINGS

BAXT INGUI'S SYSTEMATIC APPROACH INCLUDES THESE CRITICAL STEPS:

1. Educating the client on passive house in an effective way.
2. Involving the passive house consultant before or during schematic design.
3. Start the certification process with your certification body early and harness their feedback as early as possible.
4. Select and involve a contractor as early as possible, and get them and their team certified/trained.
5. Hold weekly meetings.
6. Use the blower door as a tool.
7. Openly share knowledge & receive feedback with the community.



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CHANCE TO FULLY RENOVATE A BUILDING IS VERY RARE



When we renovate 100-year-old buildings, we design them to last another 100 years.



1. FRONT FAÇADE BEFORE
2. FRONT FAÇADE AFTER

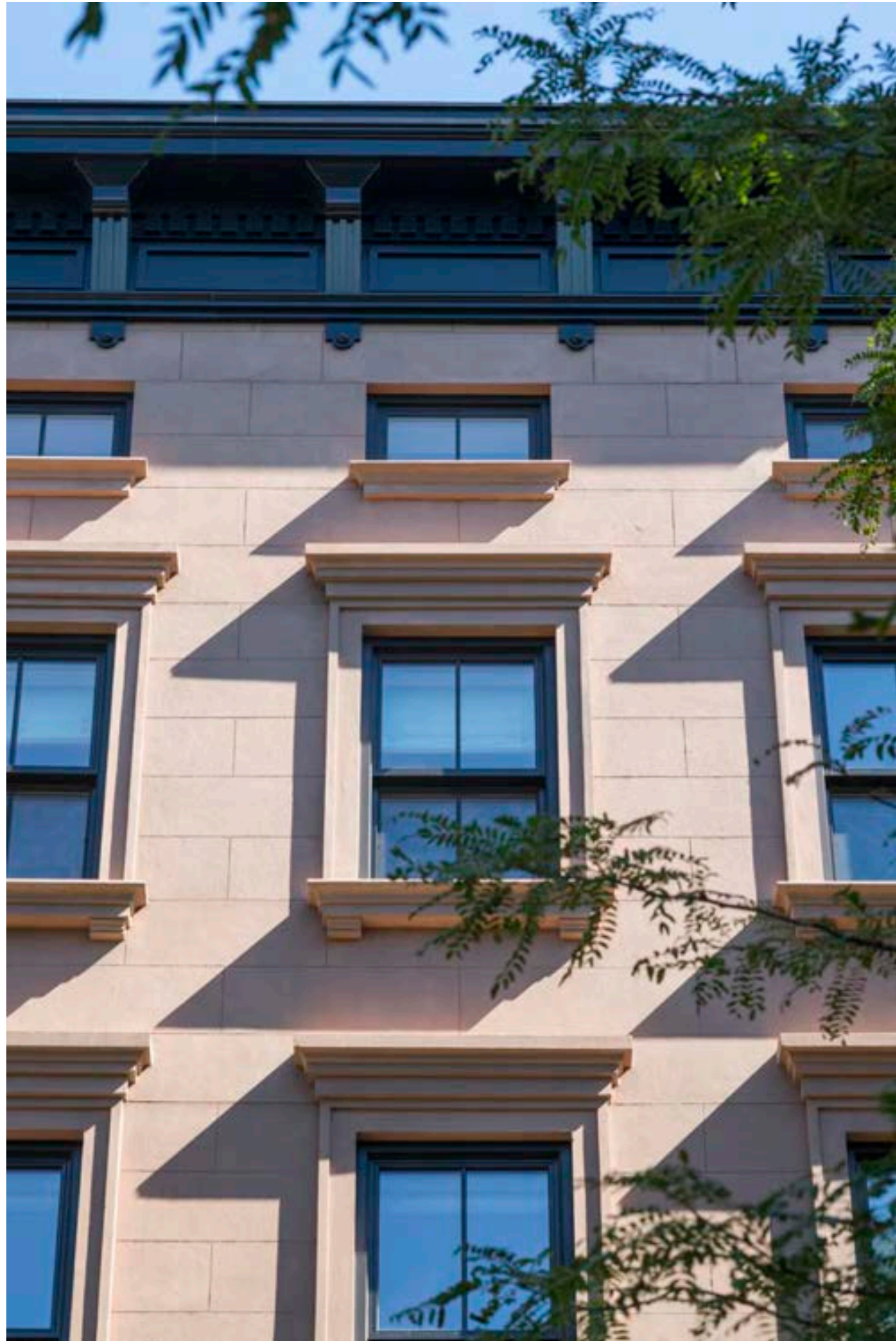
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1. REAR FAÇADE BEFORE
2. REAR FAÇADE AFTER

THE PROJECT: HEALTHY HOME FOR A FAMILY



THE PROJECT: REAR GARAGE



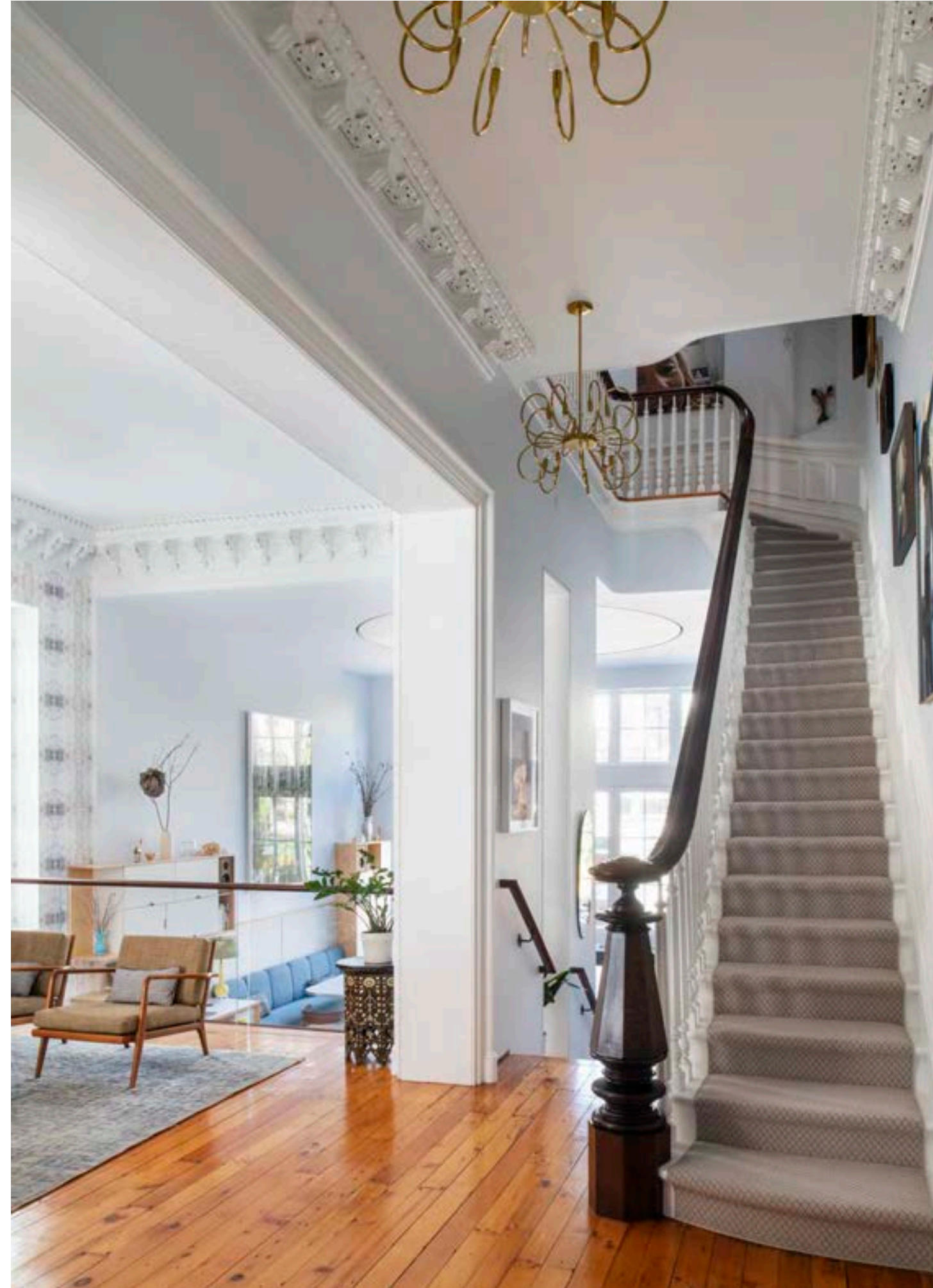
THE PROJECT



CREATING AN OPEN, LIGHT-FILLED HOME



BEFORE & AFTER: ENTRYWAY



AIR SEALING STRATEGY BOTTOM TO TOP: CELLAR



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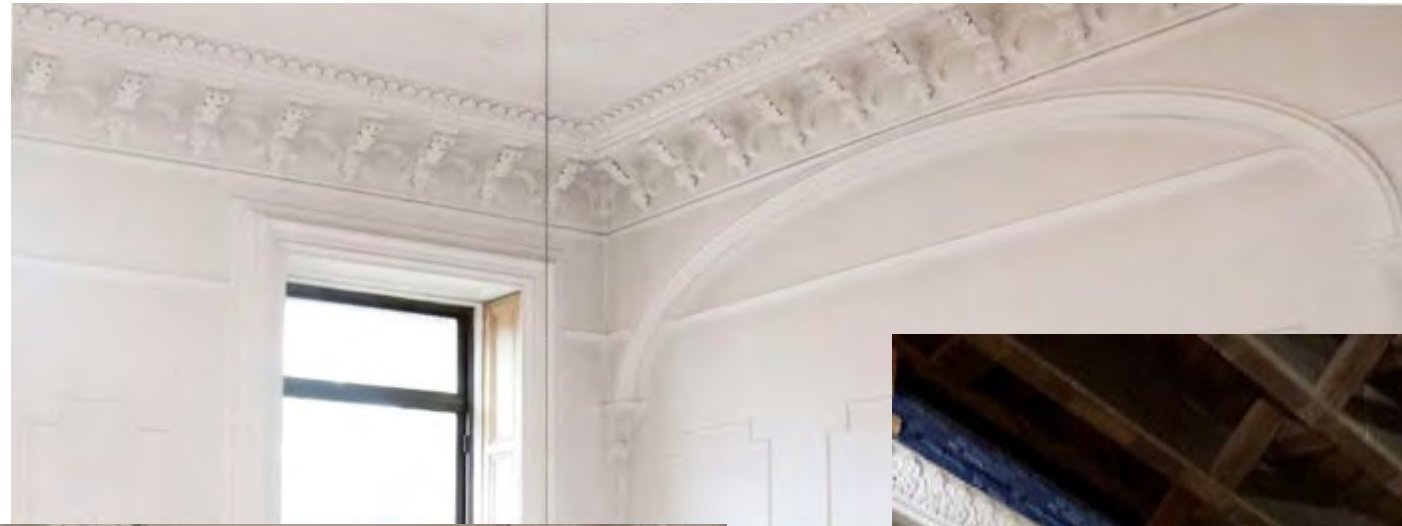
2.



4.

1. CELLAR BEFORE
2. CELLAR HVAC INTAKE AND ORIGINAL BOILER
3. CELLAR DURING CONSTRUCTION
4. CELLAR WITH STEGO WRAPS

AIR SEALING STRATEGY BOTTOM TO TOP: CORNER WINDOWS



- 2.
- 1.
- 3.
- 4.

- 1. CELLAR PLAN
- 2. FIRST FLOOR PLAN
- 3. CELLAR COMMUNITY CENTER AREA = 1113 SF
- 4. FIRST FLOOR COMMUNITY CENTER AREA = 1400 SF

AIR SEALING STRATEGY BOTTOM TO TOP: CROWN MOLDING



1. EXISTING CROWN
2. CROWN SUPPORTED AND WALL SPOT POINTED
3. LIQUID-APPLIED AIRTIGHT MEMBRANE
4. SMART MEMBRANE ADHERED TO CROWN
5. FINISHED PARLOR CROWN

AIR SEALING STRATEGY BOTTOM TO TOP: STAIRCASE



1. LIQUID APPLIED AIRTIGHT MEMBRANE UNDER STAIRCASE
2. ENTRY STAIR BEFORE
3. ENTRY STAIR AFTER

AIR SEALING STRATEGY BOTTOM TO TOP: ATTIC



1.



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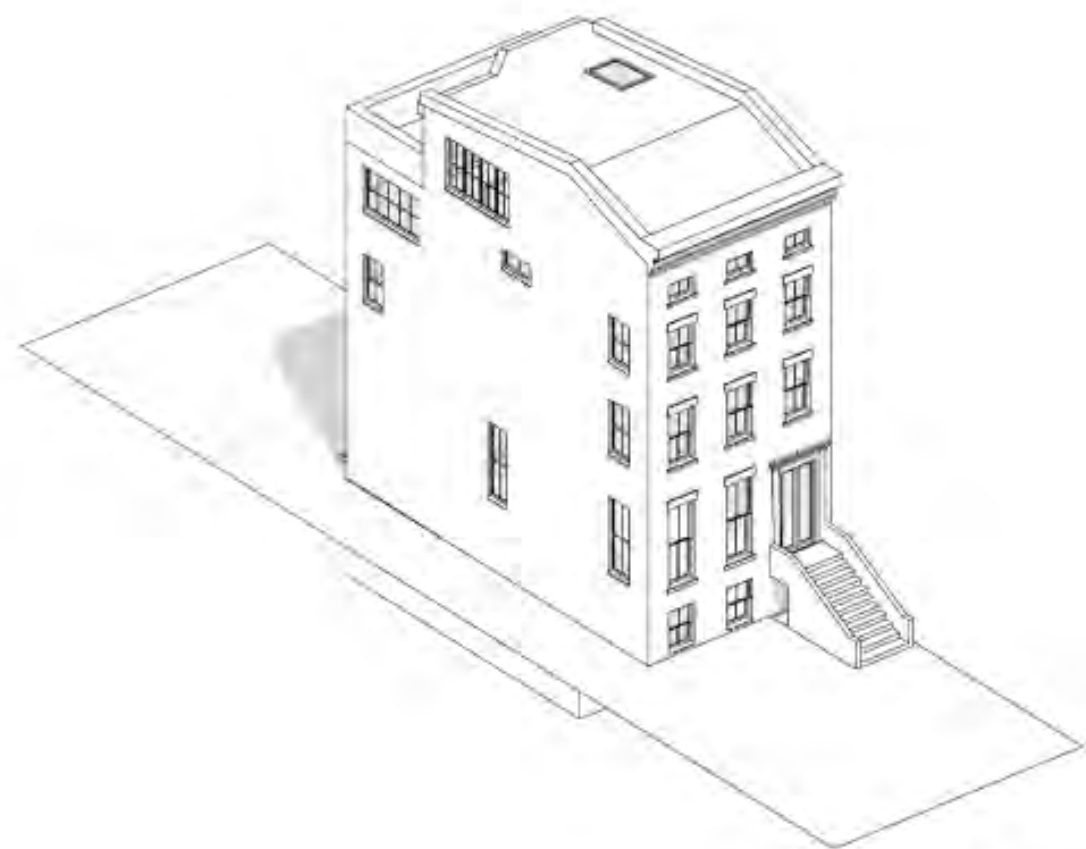
2.



4.

1. ATTIC BEFORE
2. FRAMING OUT NEW ROOF DECK
3. WINDOWS INSTALLED'
4. FINISHED ATTIC

SCALING RETROFITS...



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*AND FOR
BUILDERS,*

ENSURING SUCCESS FOR PASSIVE HOUSE PROJECTS!

LEARNING FROM YOUR PEERS

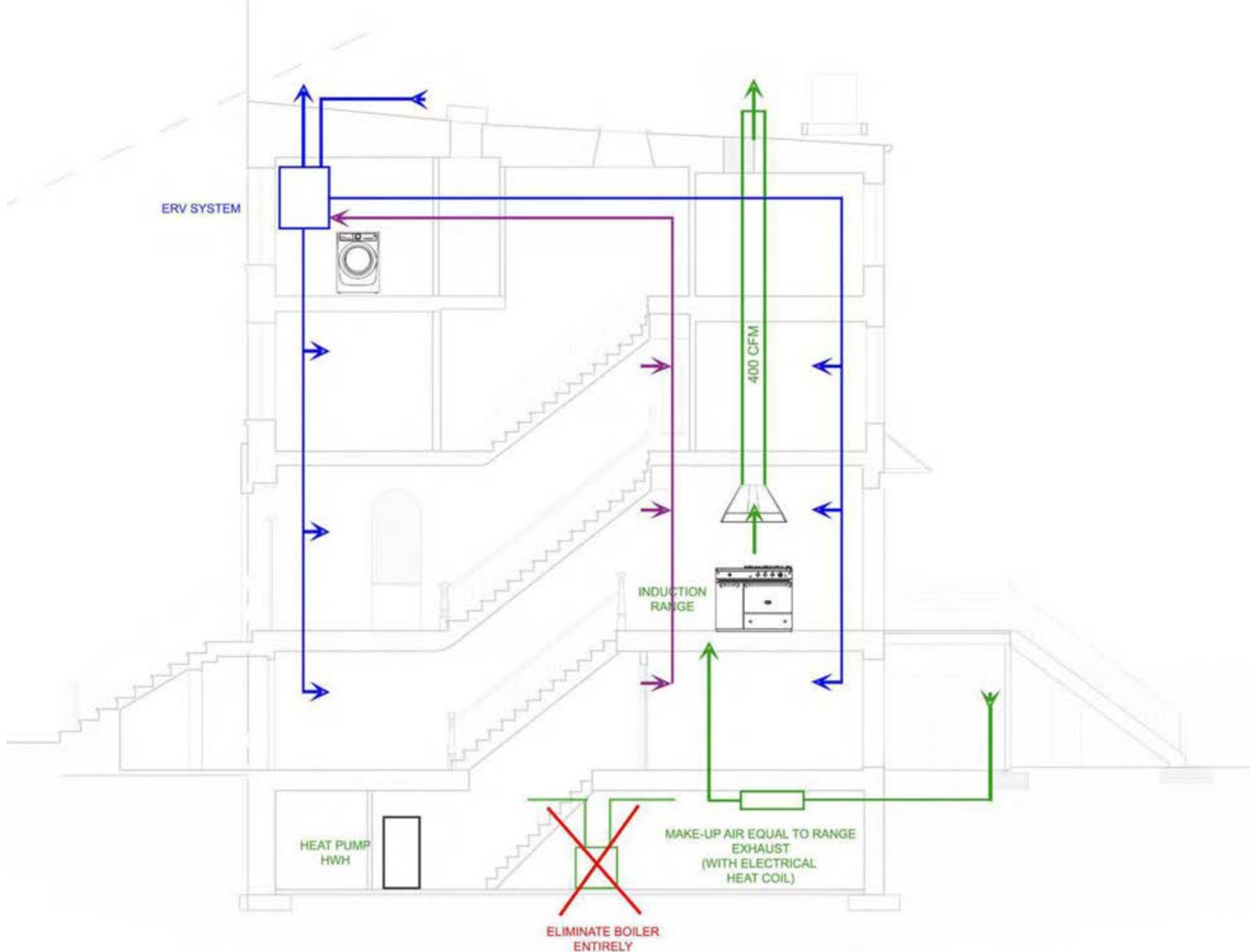


STUDENT WALKTHROUGHS



CONTRACTOR COLLECTIVE

MECHANICAL AND VENTILATION STRATEGY



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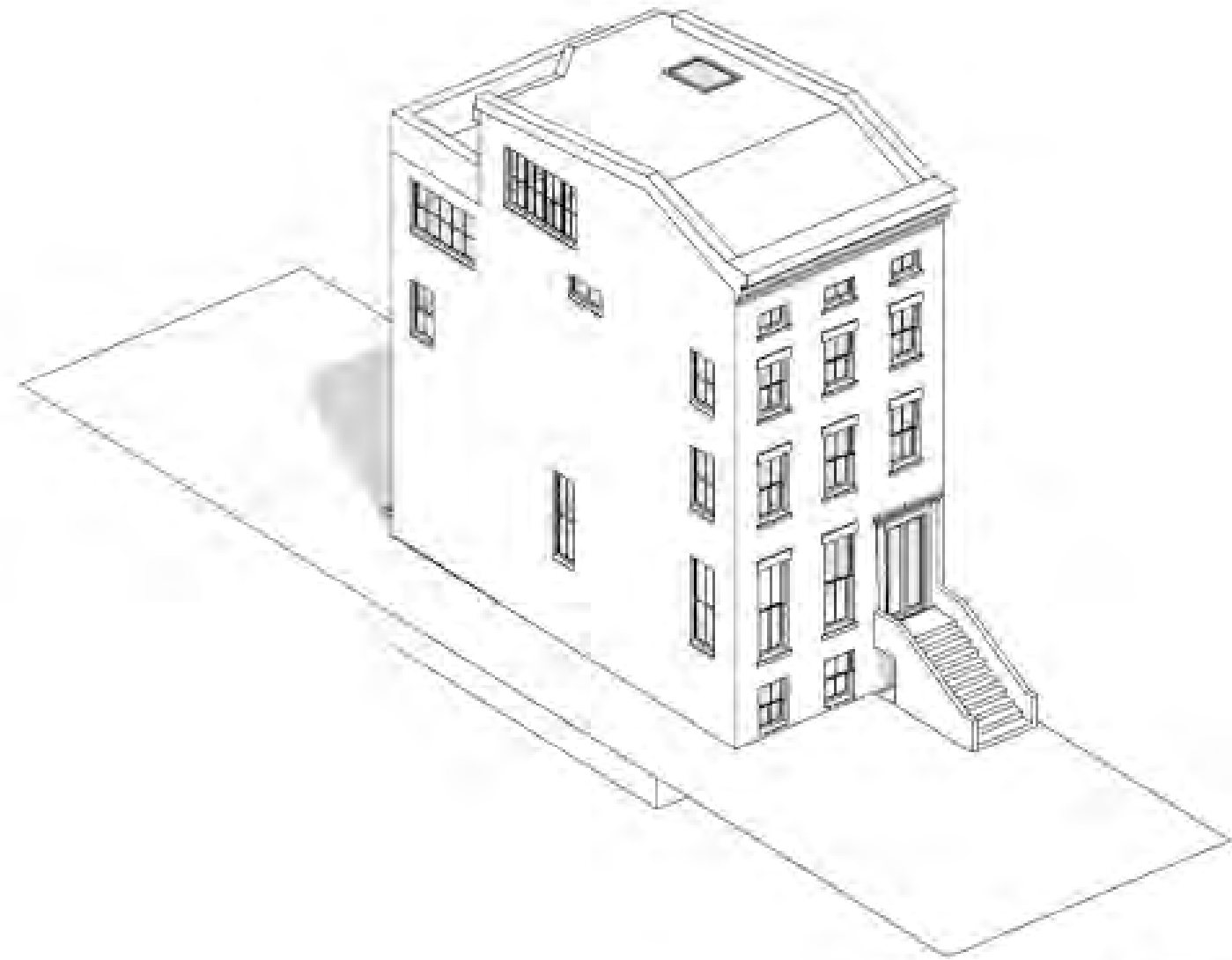


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IDENTIFY CHALLENGES EARLY AND STRATEGIZE WITH WHOLE TEAM

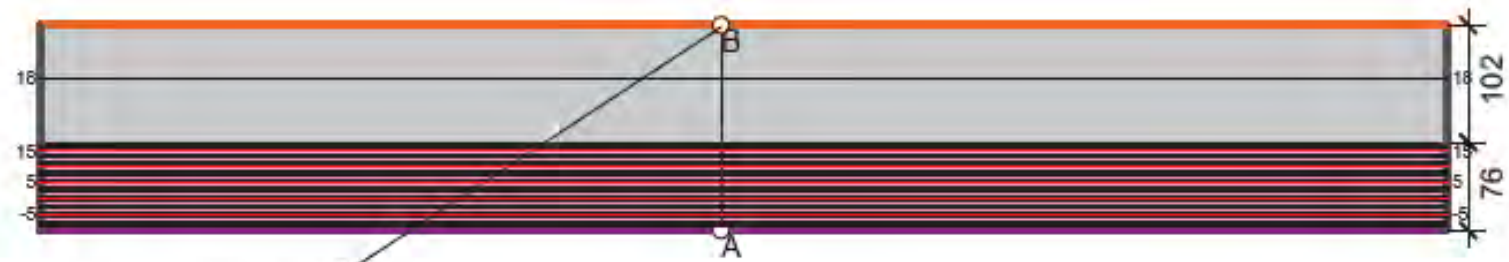


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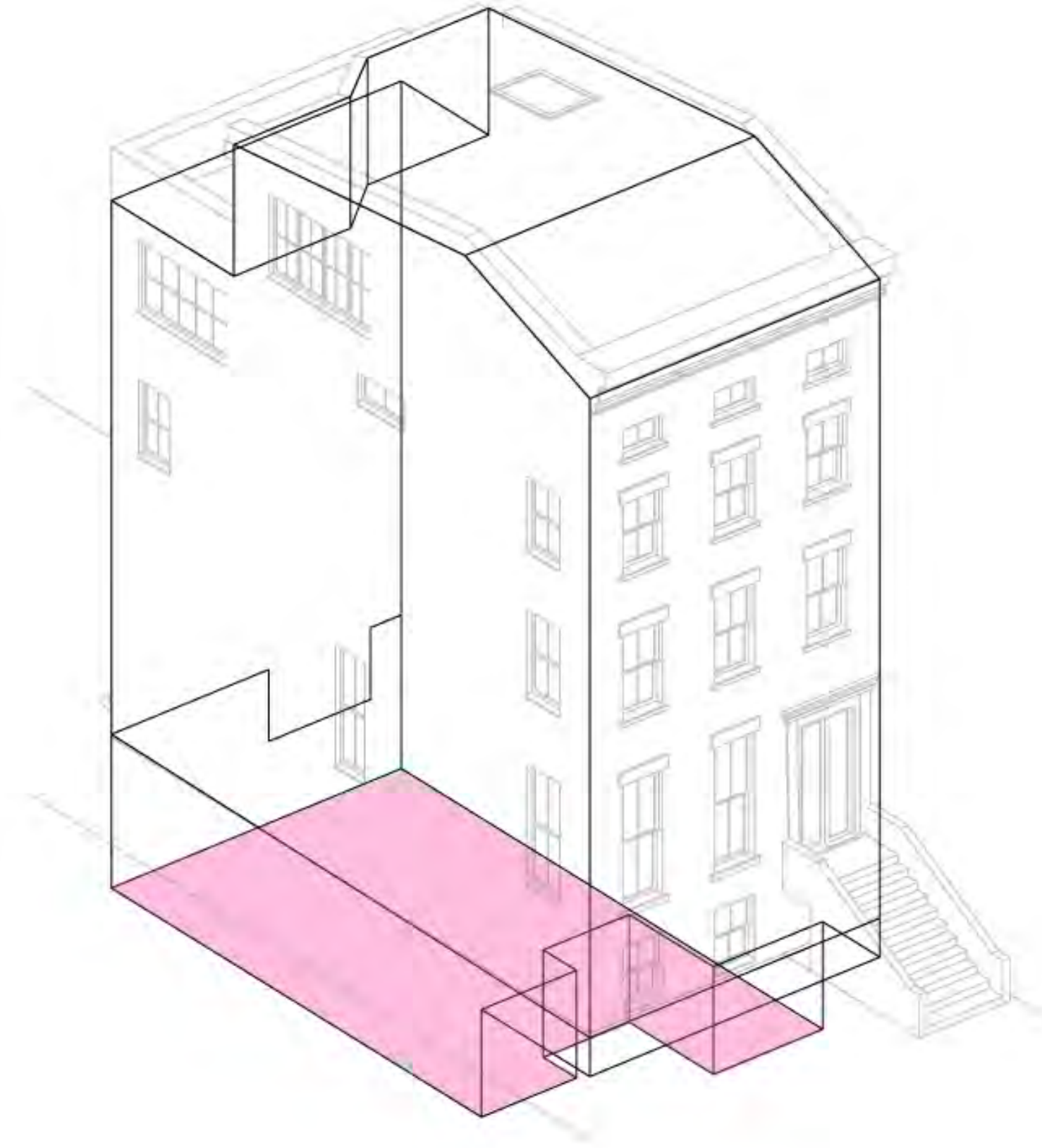
STANDARDIZED APPROACH



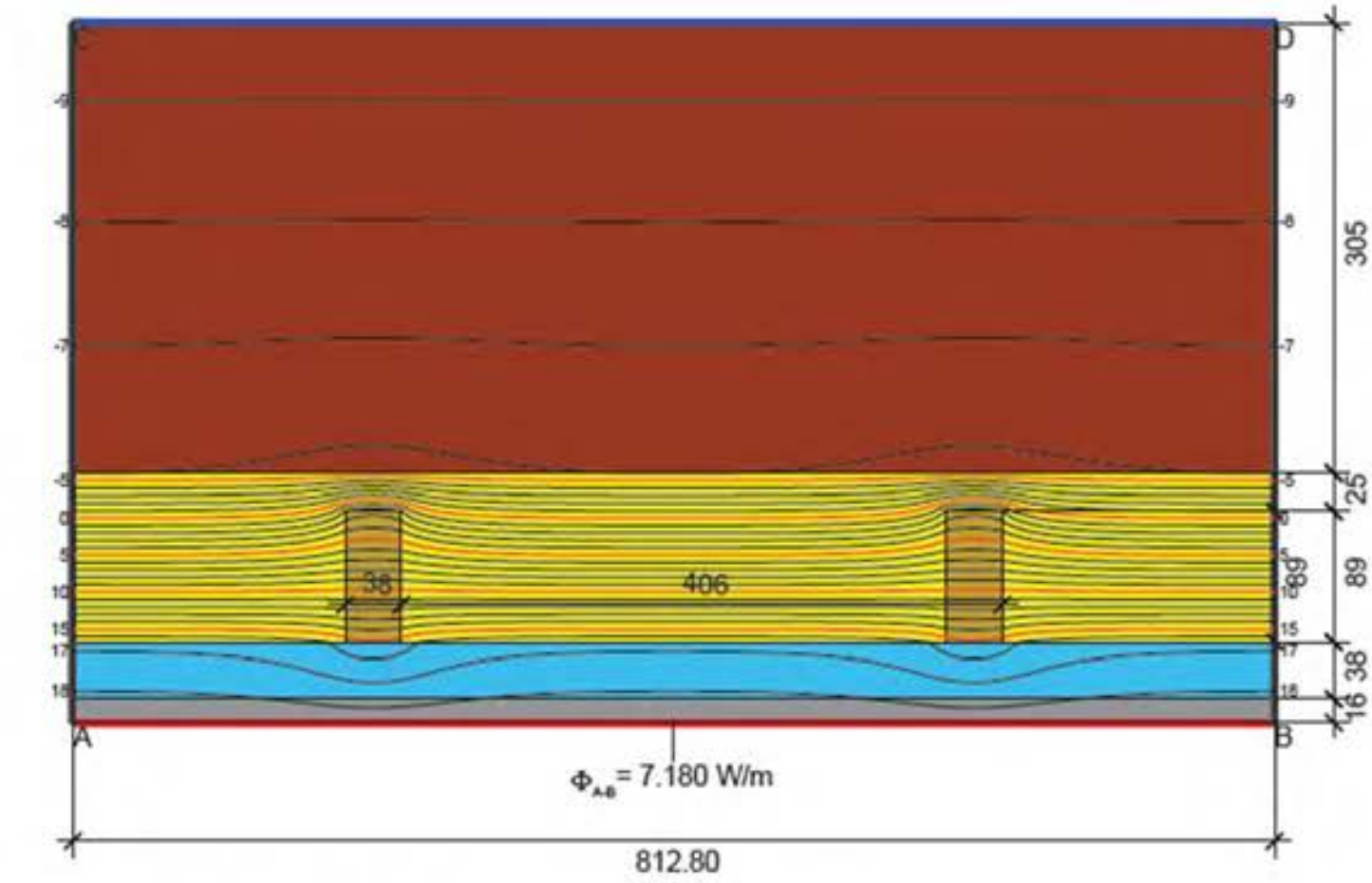
$U_{AB} = 0.350 \text{ W/(m}^2\cdot\text{K)}$

Boundary Condition	$q[\text{W/m}^2]$	$\theta[^\circ\text{C}]$	$R[(\text{m}^2\cdot\text{K})/\text{W}]$	ε
Exterior, no HT		-10.000		
Interior, heat flux, downwards		20.000	0.170	
Symmetry/Model section	0.000			

Material	$\lambda[\text{W}/(\text{m}\cdot\text{K})]$	ε
Concrete (Lightly Reinforced) [R-0.06/in]	2.300	0.900
XPS, [R-5.0/in]	0.029	0.900



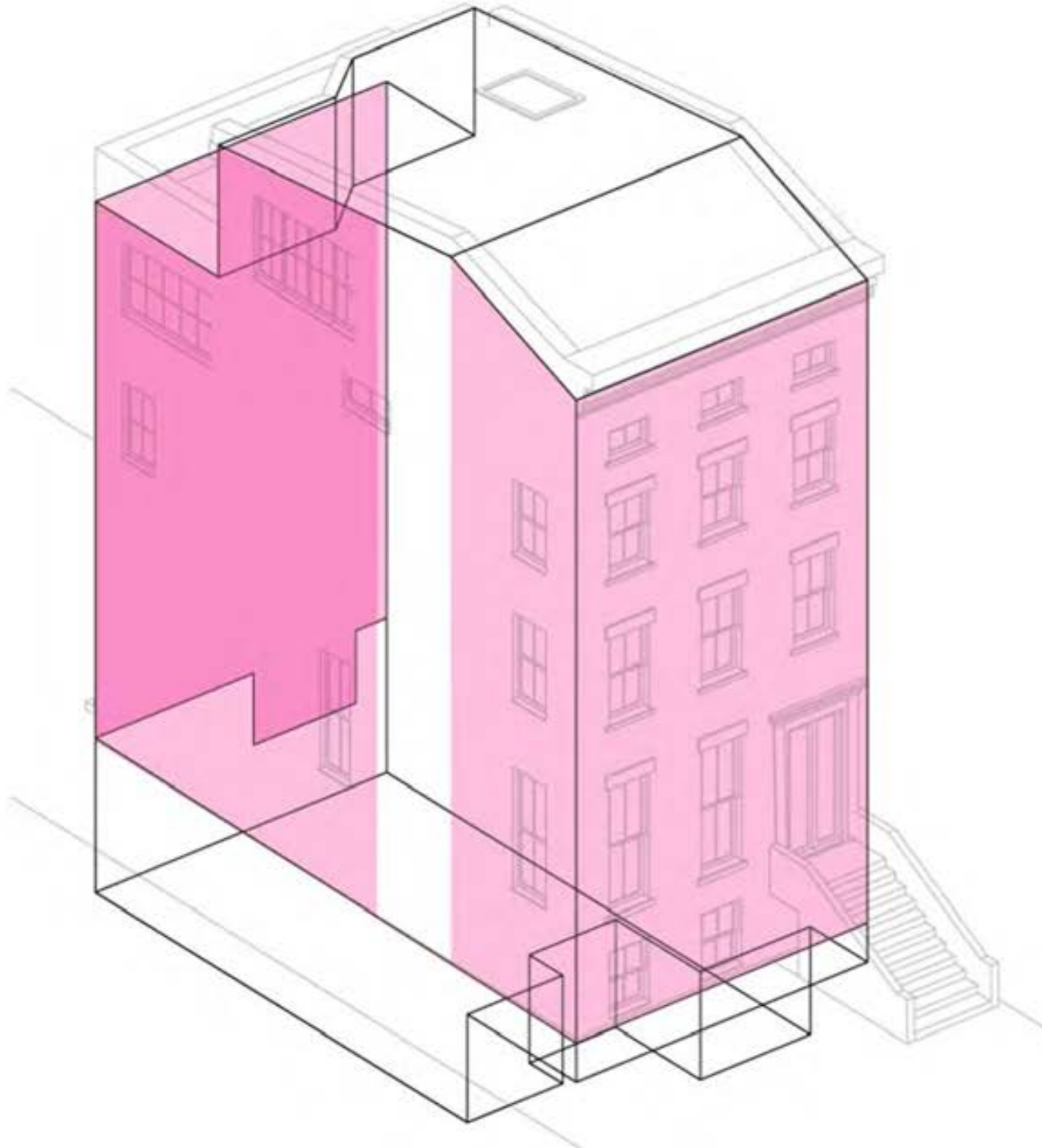
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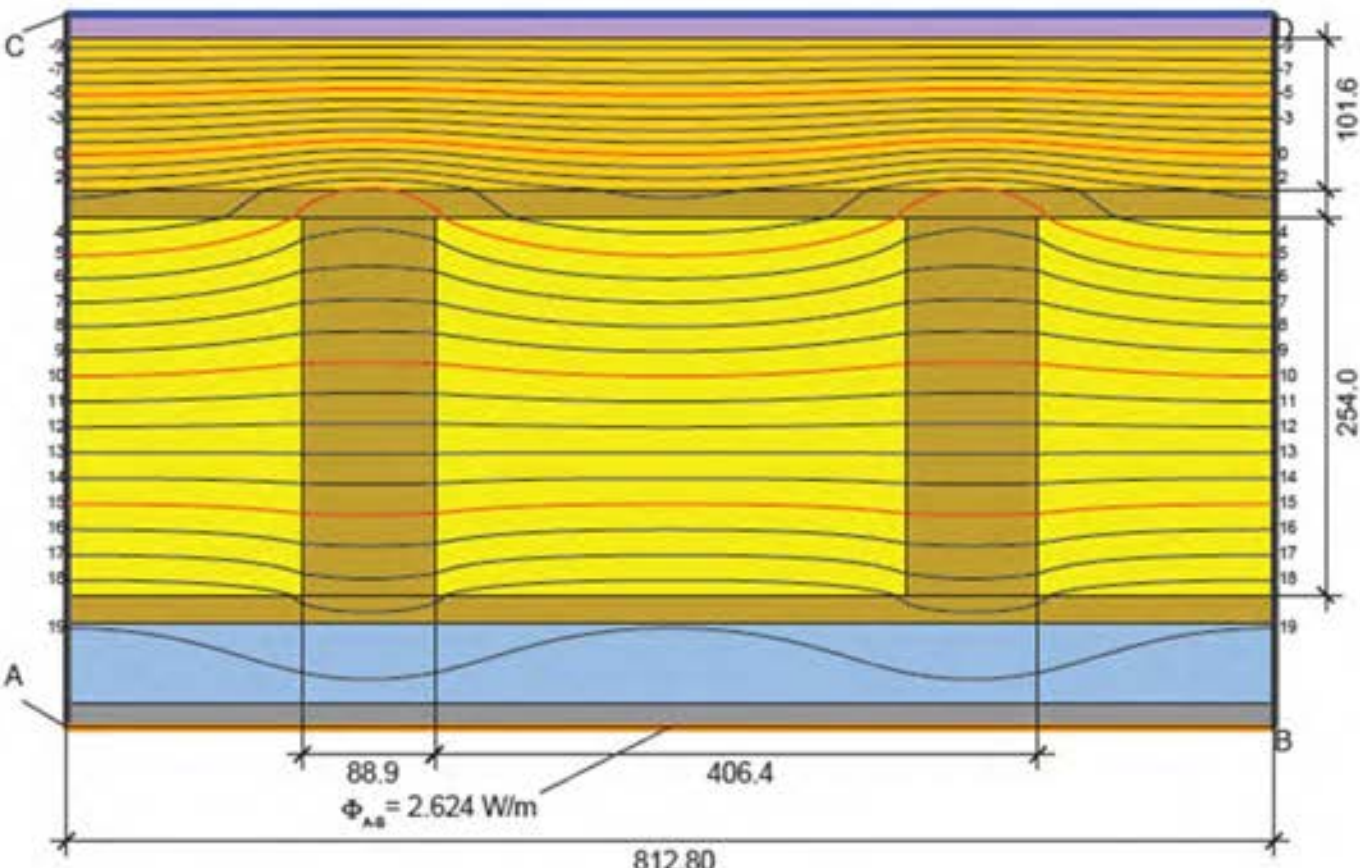
$U_{w,AB} = \frac{\Phi}{\Delta T \cdot b} = 0.294 \text{ W/(m}^2 \cdot \text{K)}$

Boundary Condition	q[W/m ²]	θ[C]	R[(m ² ·K)/W]	ε
Exterior, normal	-10.000		0.040	
Interior, normal, horizontal		20.000	0.130	
Symmetry/Model section	0.000			

Material	λ[W/(m·K)]	ε
Brick (Common) [R-0.2/in]	0.720	0.900
Cellulose (Denspack) [R-3.7/in]	0.040	0.900
GWB (Typ) [R-0.85/in]	0.170	0.900
Wd Furring (2x2 16in OC) no Insulation [R-1.01/in]	0.213	0.900
Wood, Coniferous (Softwood) [R-1.03/in]	0.140	0.900



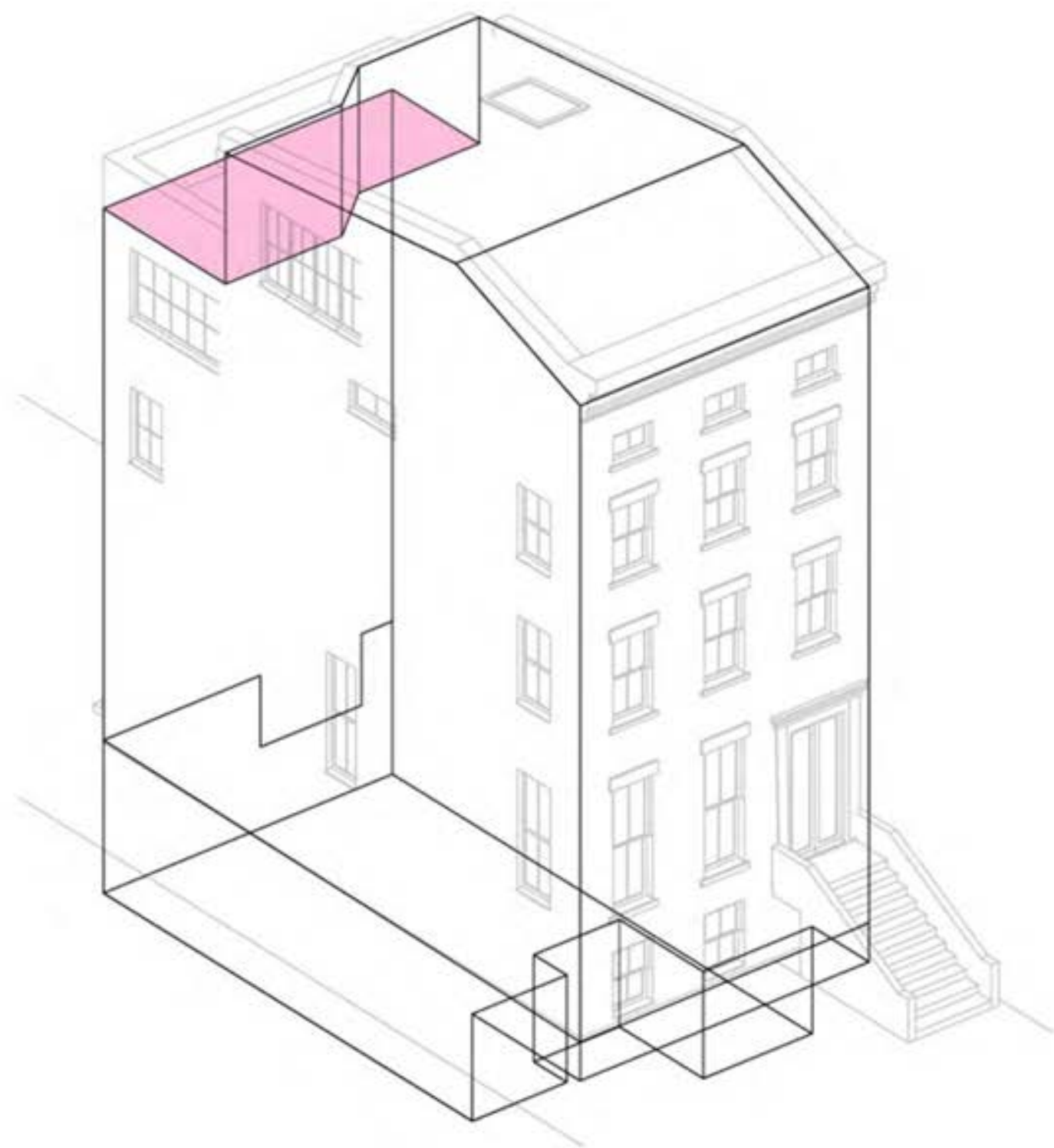
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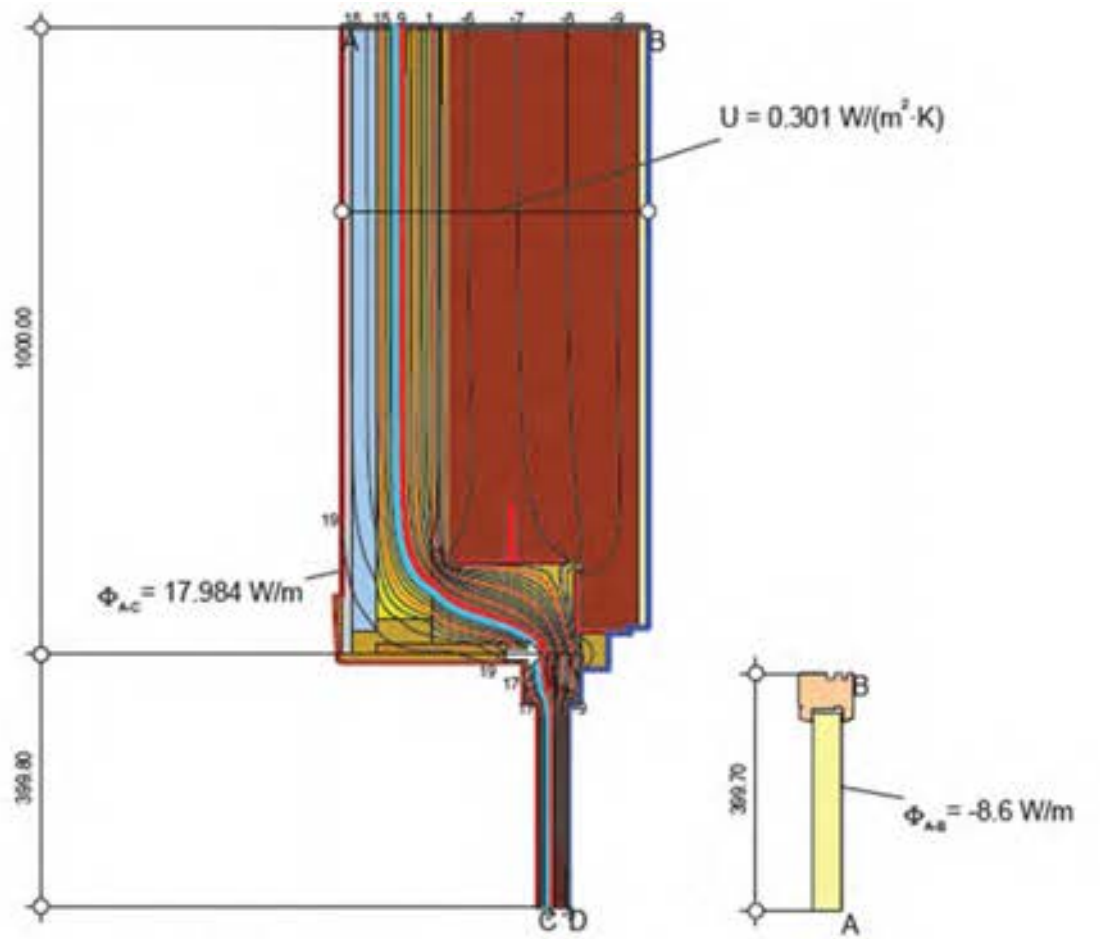
$$U_{AB} = \frac{\Phi}{\Delta T-b} = \frac{2.624}{30.000-0.813} = 0.108 \text{ W/(m}^2 \cdot \text{K)}$$

Boundary Condition	$q[\text{W/m}^2]$	$\theta[\text{C}]$	$R[(\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K})/\text{W}]$	ϵ
Exterior, normal	-10.000		0.040	
Interior, heat flux, upwards		20.000	0.100	
Symmetry/Model section	0.000			

Material	$\lambda[\text{W/(m}\cdot\text{K)}]$	ϵ
Air layer, unventilated, horizontal, thickness: 50 mm	0.278	0.900
Cellulose (Denspack) [R-3.7/in]	0.040	0.900
GWB (Typ) [R-0.85/in]	0.170	0.900
GWB (USG Securock) [R-1/in]	1.000	0.900
Plywood (Typ) [R-1.2/in]	0.119	0.900
Polyisocyanurate Board [R-6/in]	0.024	0.900
Wood, Coniferous (Softwood) [R-1.03/in]	0.140	0.900



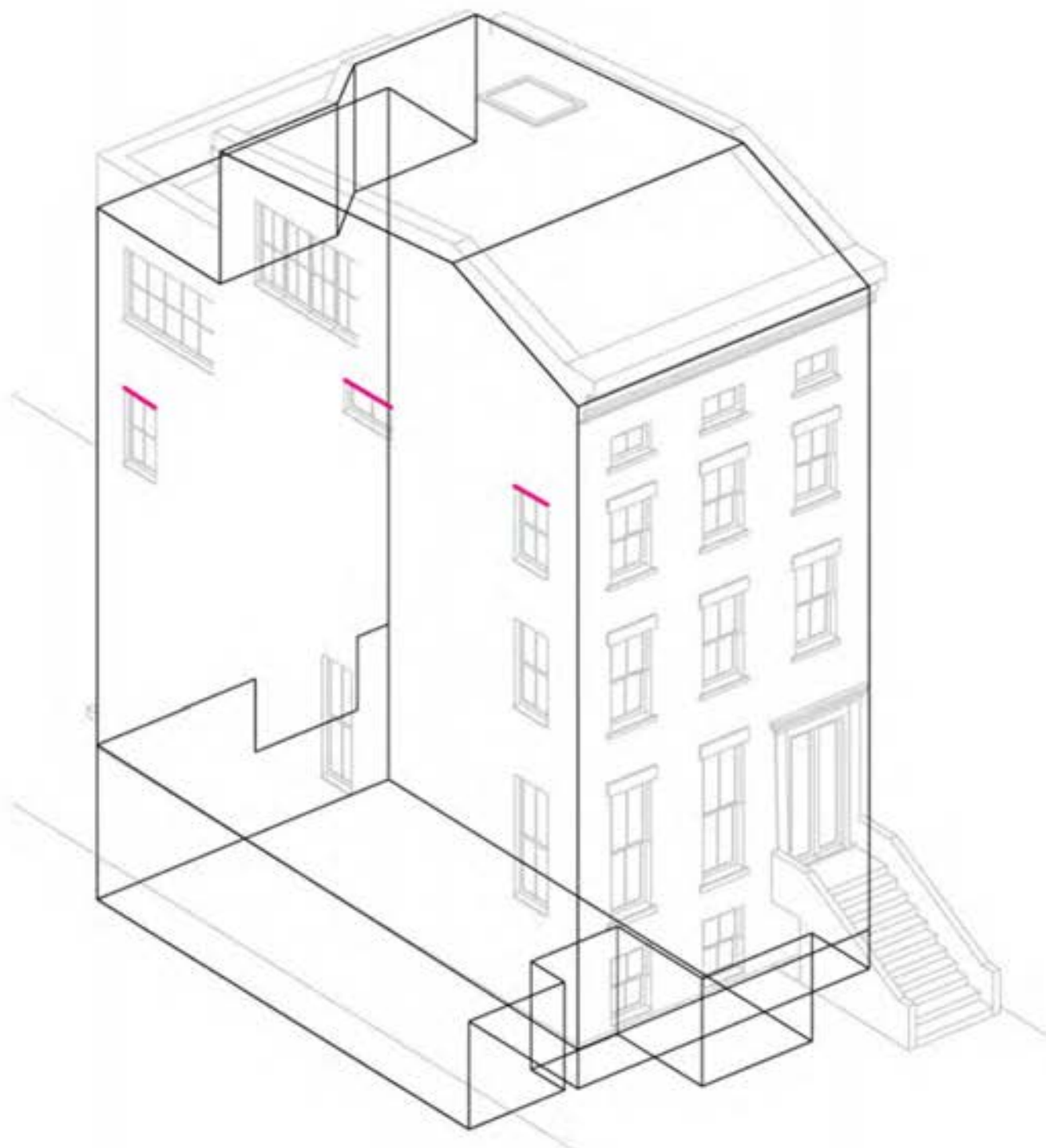
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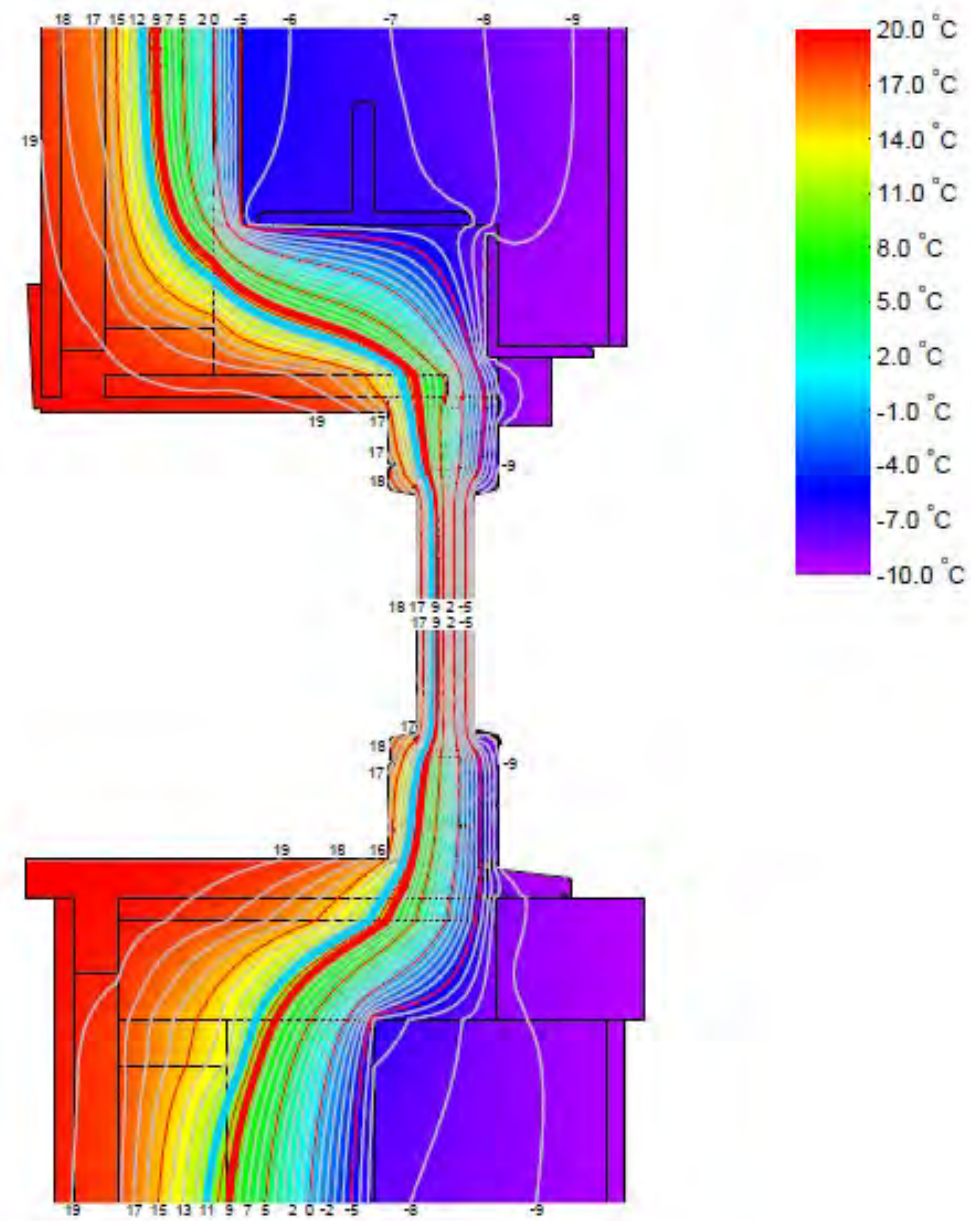
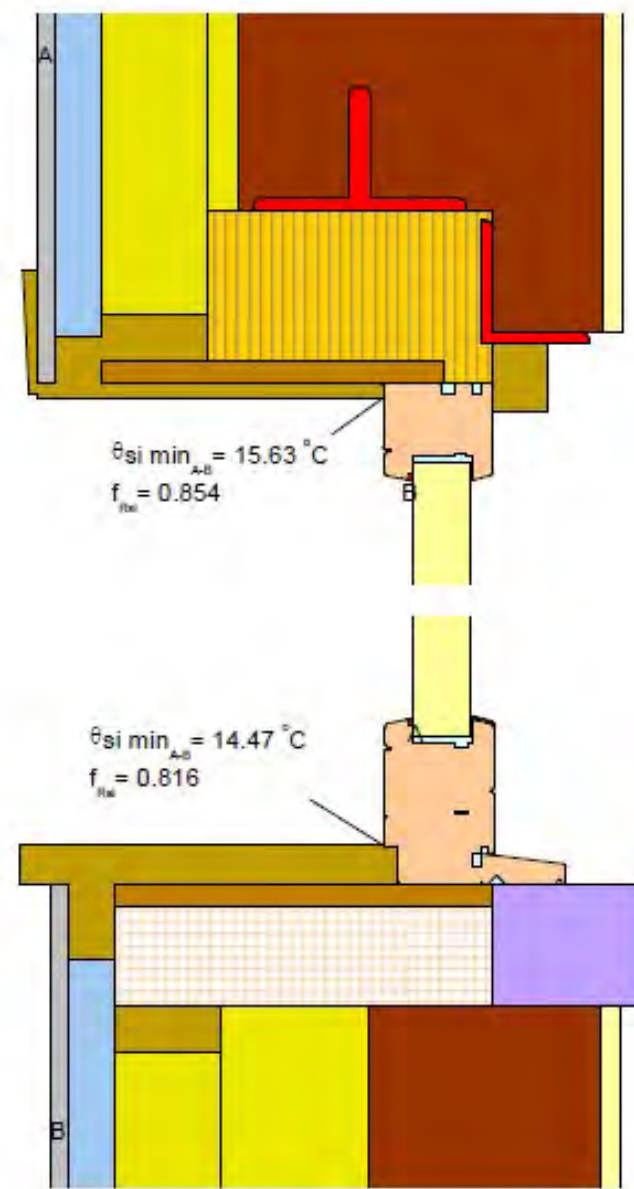
$$\Psi_{Ac,c} = \frac{\Phi}{\Delta T} - U_i \cdot b_i - \frac{\Phi_2}{\Delta T} = \frac{17.984}{30.000} - 0.301 \cdot 1.000 - \frac{8.555}{30.000} = 0.014 \text{ W/(m} \cdot \text{K)}$$

Boundary Condition	q[W/m²]	θ[C]	R[(m²·K)/W]	ε
Exterior, normal	-10.000	20.000	0.040	0.130
Interior, normal, horizontal	0.000			
Symmetry/Model section				

Material	λ[W/(m·K)]	ε
Air layer, unventilated, horizontal, thickness: 40 mm	0.222	0.900
Brick (Common) [R-0.2/in]	0.720	0.900
Cellulose (Denspack) [R-3.7/in]	0.040	0.900
GWB (Typ) [R-0.85/in]	0.170	0.900
HandFoam EB4 [R-0/in]	0.024	0.900
Panel	0.035	0.900
Plywood (Typ) [R-1.2/in]	0.119	0.900
Steel (Rolled, Ground) [R-0.0029/in]	49.909	0.900
Stucco [R-0.2/in]	0.722	0.900
Wd Stud, Cellulose, 15in OC [R-2.93/in]	0.049	0.900
Wood, Coniferous (Softwood) [R-1.03/in]	0.140	0.900
Zola Elastomeric Foam, Flexible	0.050	0.900
Zola Lodgepole Pine	0.110	0.900
Zola Silicone	0.350	0.900
Unventilated air cavity *		
* Simplified approach		



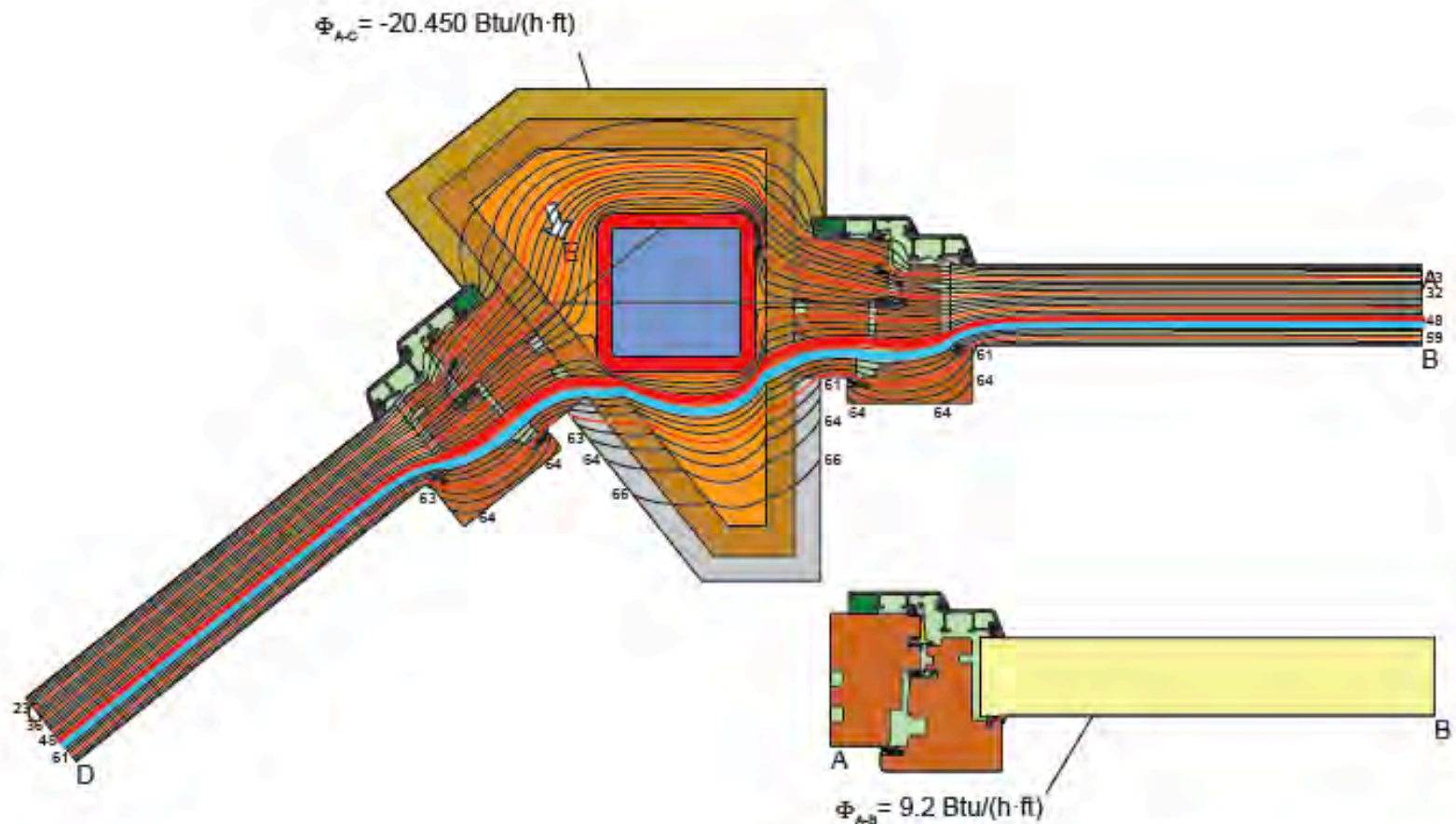
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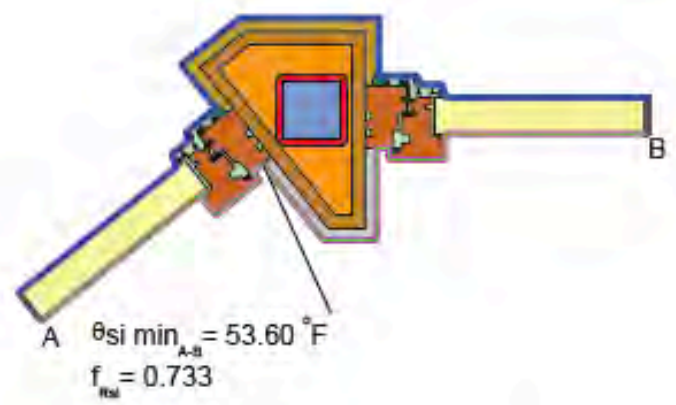
STILL SOME CUSTOM DETAILS... BUT NOT MANY!



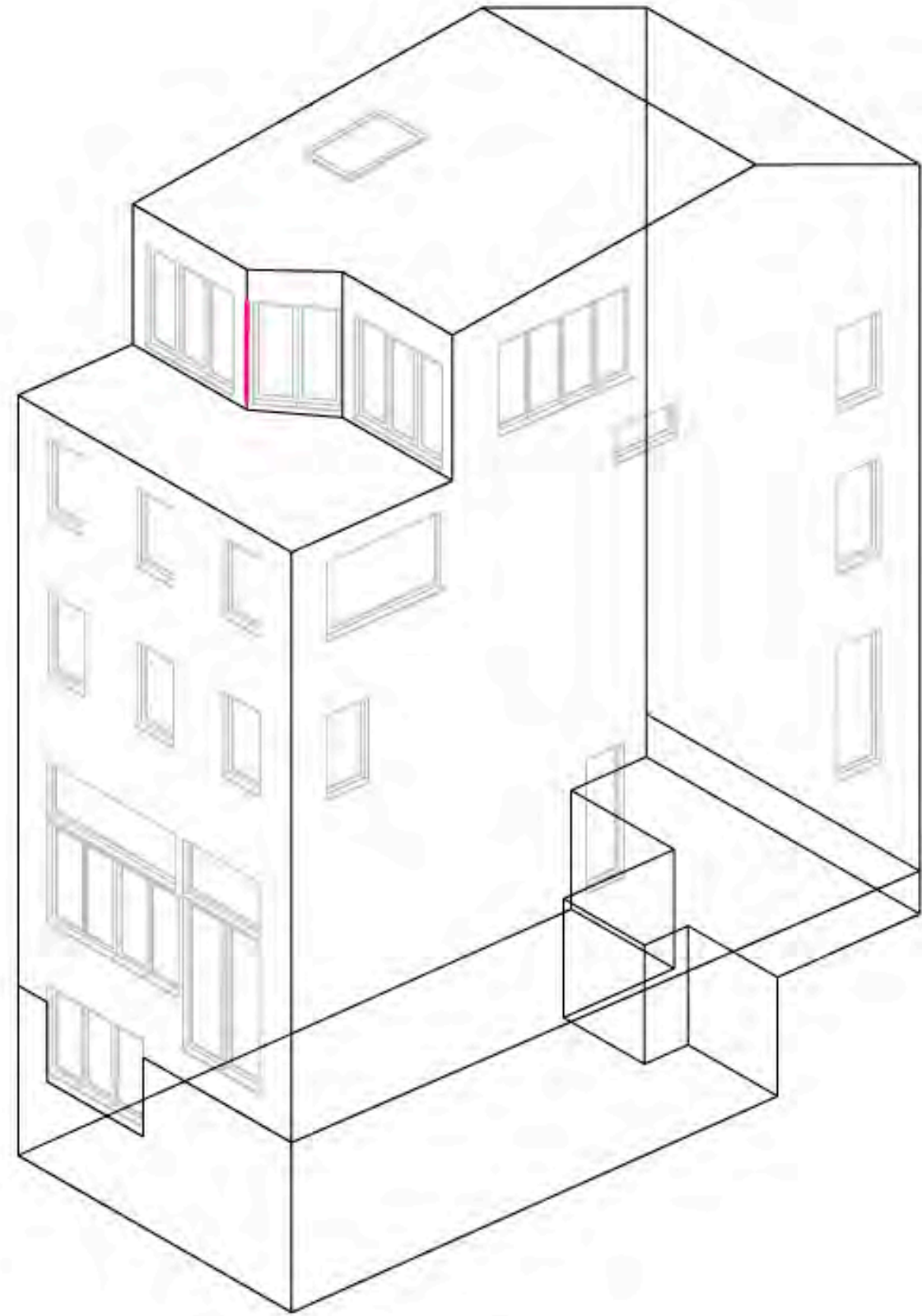
$$U_{A-B-C} = \frac{\Phi}{\Delta T} = \frac{\Phi_1}{\Delta T} + \frac{\Phi_2}{\Delta T} = \frac{19.663}{30.000} + \frac{8.823}{30.000} + \frac{8.823}{30.000} = 0.067 \text{ W/(m-K)} = 0.039 \text{ Btu/(h-ft}^2\text{-F)}$$

Boundary Condition	q[Btu/(h-ft ²)]	θ[°F]	h[Btu/(h-ft ² -F)]	ε
Exterior, normal	14.000	4.403		
Interior, normal, horizontal	68.000	1.355		
Symmetry/Model section	0.000			

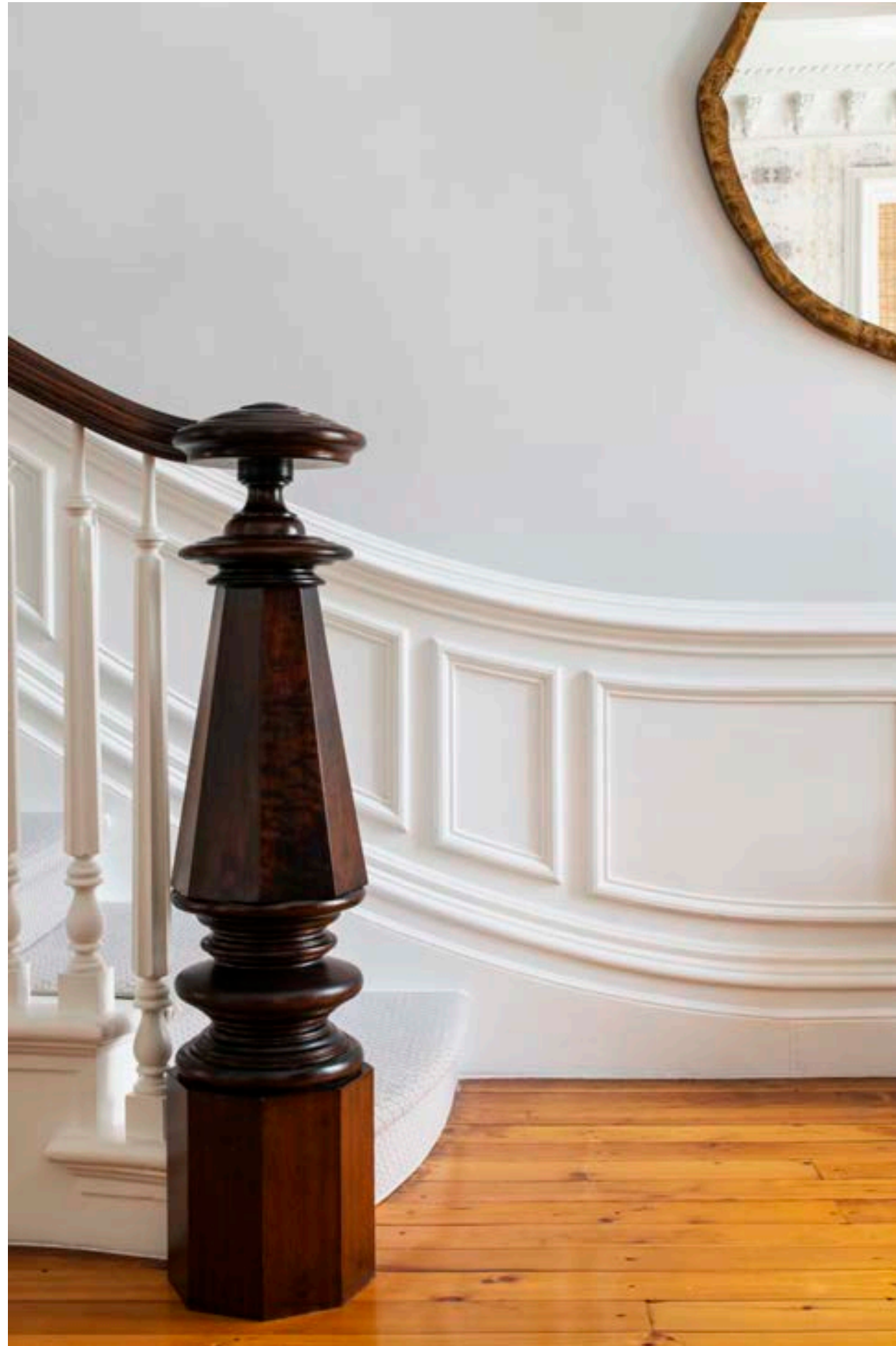
Material	λ[Btu/(h-ft-F)]	ε
Air layer, unventilated, horizontal, thickness: 85 mm	0.273	
Aluminum Alloys (Anodized)	92.446	0.800
Ethylene Propylene Diene Monomer (EPDM)	0.144	0.900
GWB (Typ) [R-0.85/in]	0.098	0.900
Panel	0.020	
Plywood (Typ) [R-1.2/in]	0.069	0.900
Redwood, Cedar, Hemlock, Douglas Fir, White Fir, Cypress	0.064	0.900
Silicone	0.202	0.900
Steel (Rolled, Ground) [R-0.0029/in]	28.889	0.600
Wood, Coniferous (Softwood) [R-1.03/in]	0.081	0.900
ccSPF [R-5.5/in]	0.013	0.900
Frame Cavity - CEN Simplified *		
Frame cavity - CEN slightly ventilated *		



Boundary Condition	q[Btu/(h-ft ²)]	θ[°F]	h[Btu/(h-ft ² -F)]	ε
Exterior, normal	14.000	4.403		
Interior, fRsi	68.000	0.704		
Symmetry/Model section	0.000			



SEQUENCING YOUR PROJECT



EDUCATING YOUR TEAM, CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION, KICKOFF

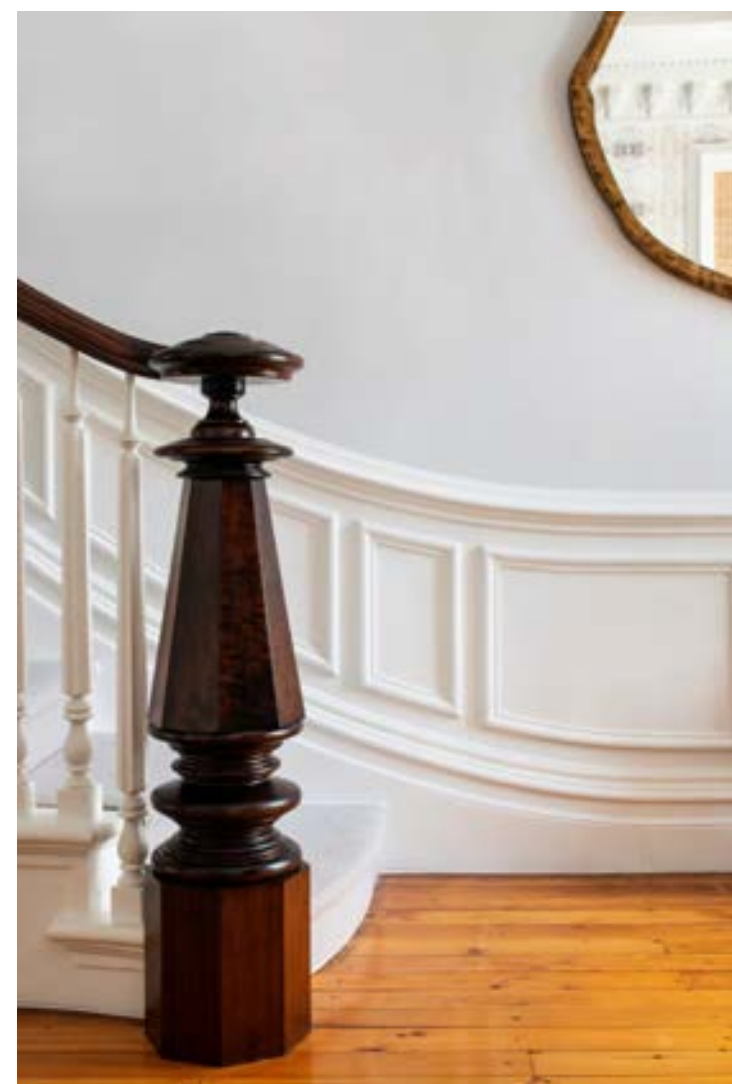
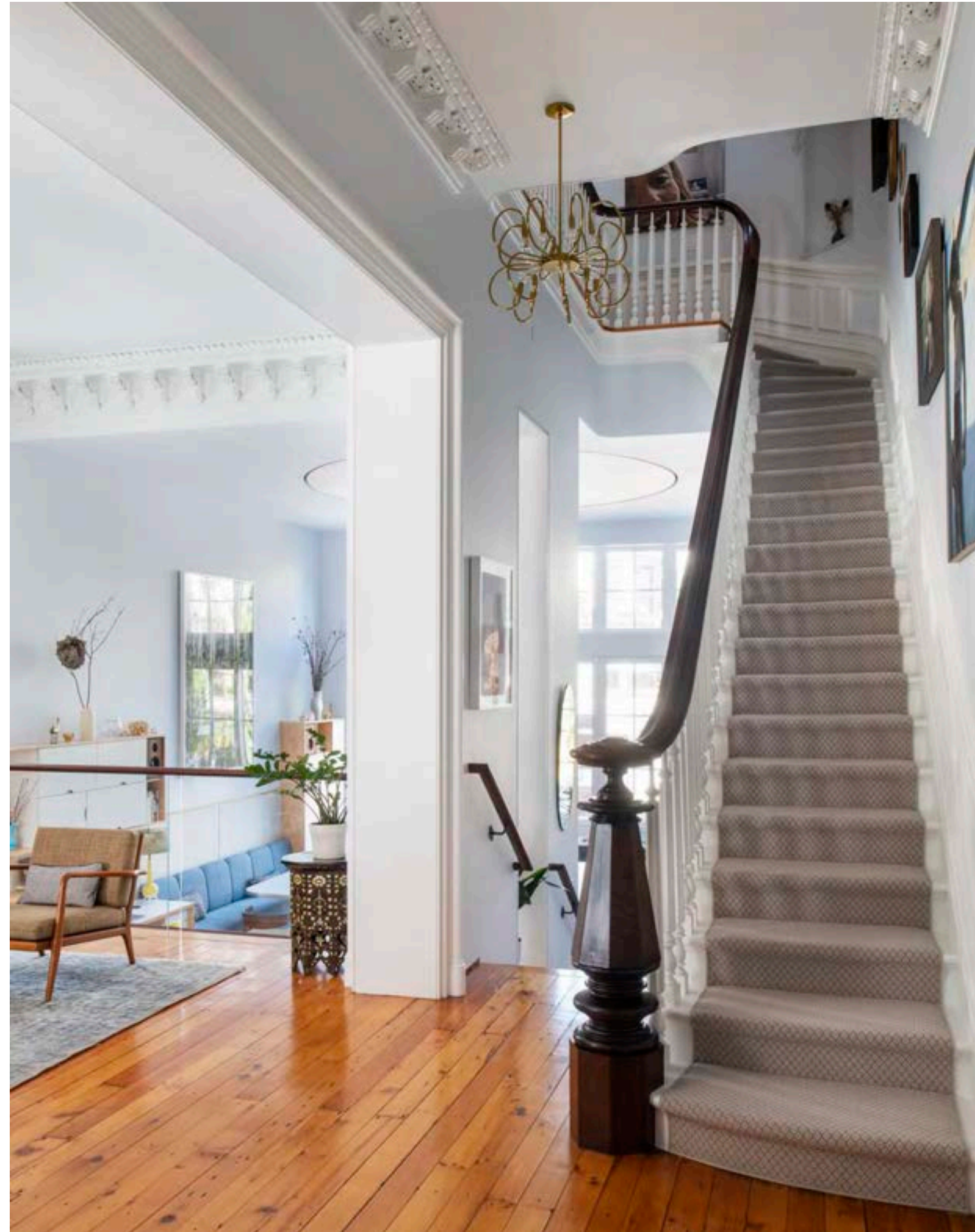


SEQUENCING YOUR PROJECT: PARLOR CROWN



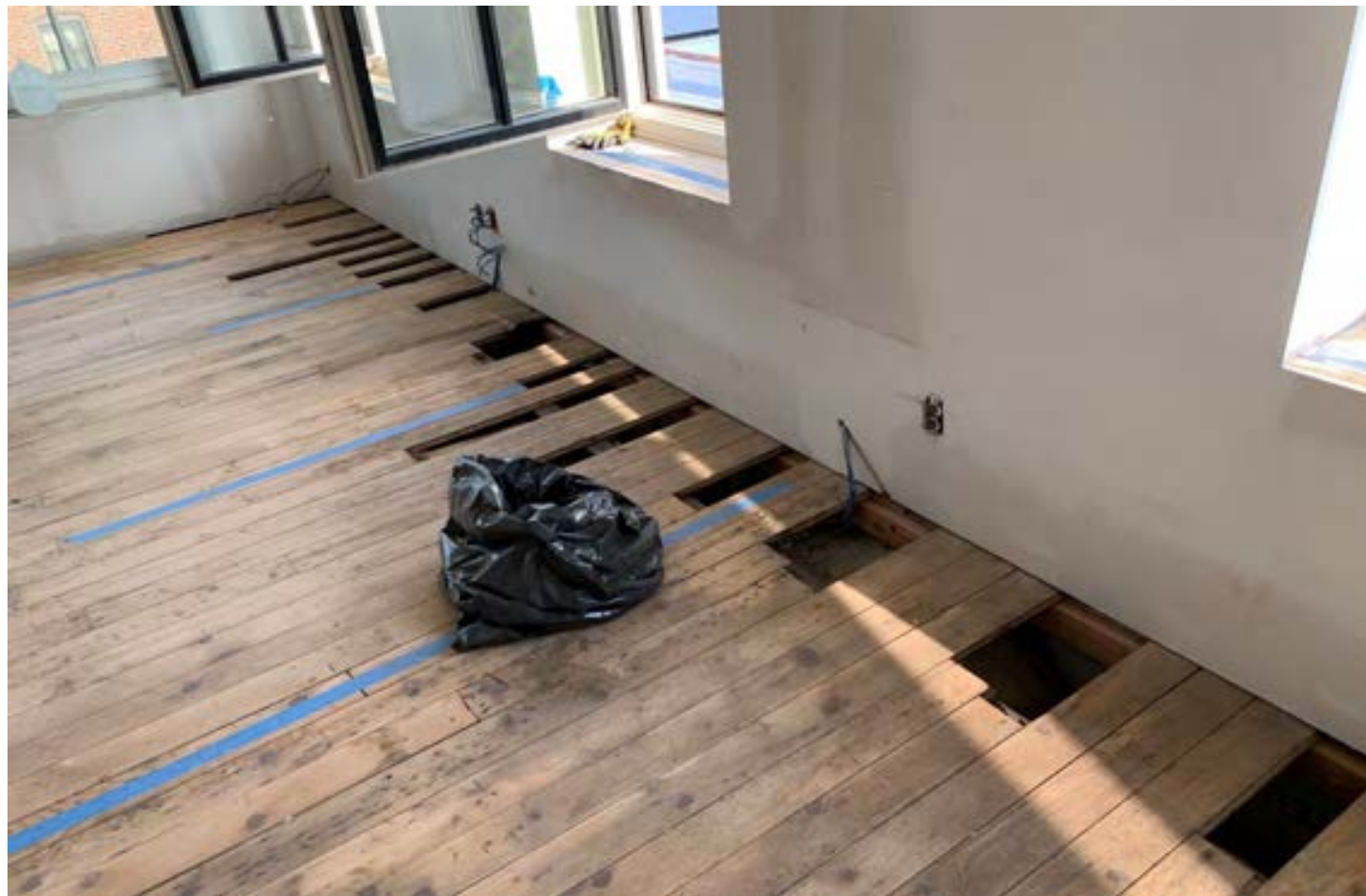
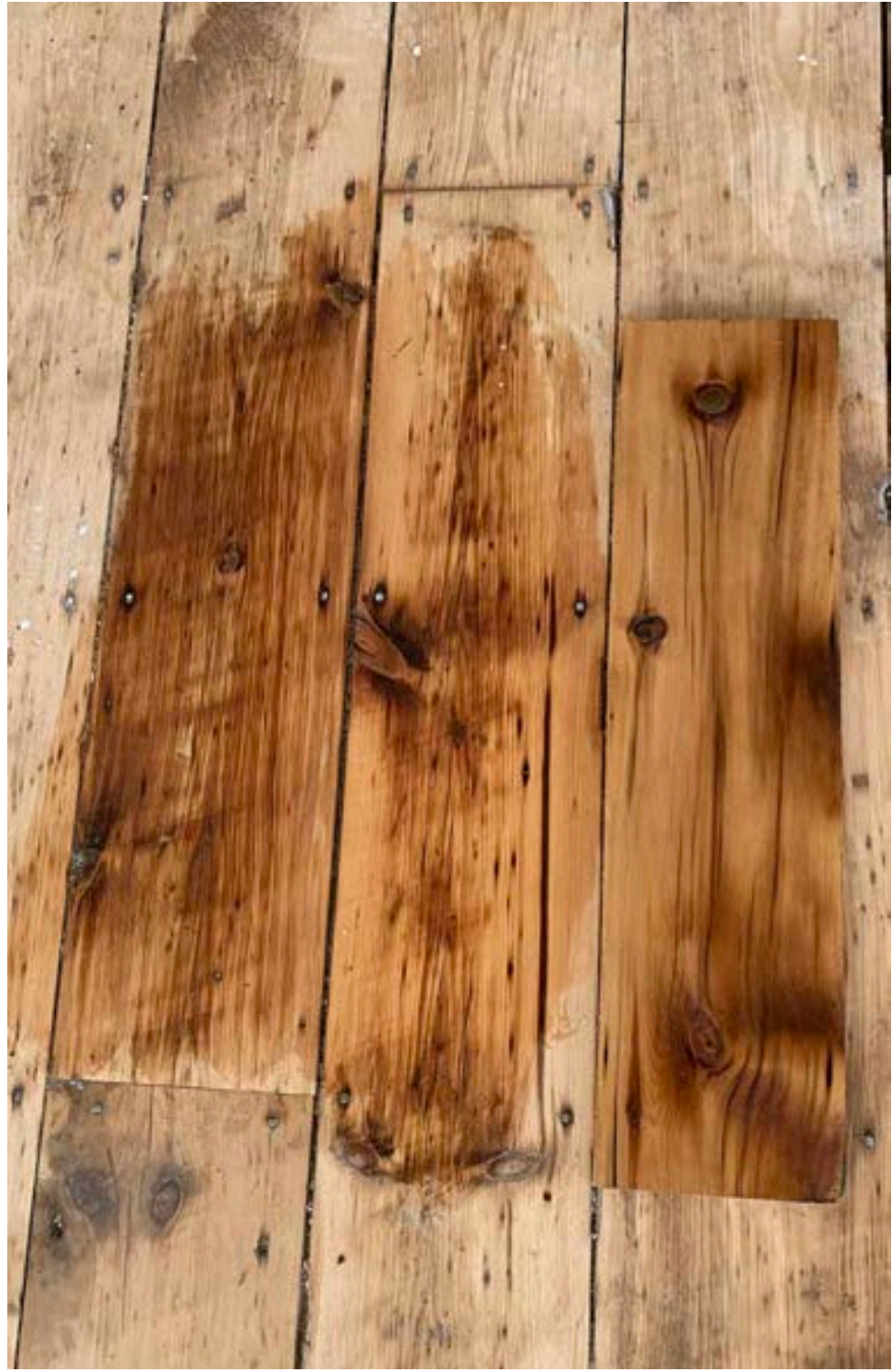
- CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT**
1. CROWN SUPPORTED AND WALL SPOT POINTED
 2. LIQUID-APPLIED AIRTIGHT MEMBRANE
 3. SMART MEMBRANE ADHERED TO CROWN
 4. FINISHED PARLOR CROWN
 5. PARLOR CROWN BEFORE
 6. PART OF PARLOR CROWN TAKEN DOWN

SEQUENCING YOUR PROJECT: STAIRCASE



- CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT**
1. ORIGINAL STAIRCASE
 2. AIR SEALING AND ERV DUCTS BELOW STAIRCASE
 3. FINISHED ENTRYWAY
 4. FINISHED NEWEL POST
 5. NEWEL POST RESTORATION

SEQUENCING YOUR PROJECT: WOOD FLOORING



SEQUENCING YOUR PROJECT: STRUCTURE



RE-EDUCATING CONSTRUCTION WORKERS: TRAINING

TRAINING NEW CONTRACTORS IS IMPORTANT, BUT EQUALLY, IF NOT MORE SO, IS RE-TRAINING CONTRACTORS WHO HAVE BEEN IN THE BUSINESS FOR YEARS.





CODE IMPROVMENTS WILL HELP LEVEL THE PLAYING FIELD.
LARGE SCALE CLIMATE ACTION IS BEST ACHIEVED THROUGH MUNICIPAL ACTION.

PRODUCT AVAILABILITY AND EVOLUTION





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