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## Introduction

In the spring semester 2021 we turned our attention to 'Critical Regionalism', a term coined by Liane Lefaivre and Alexander Tzonis and later developed by Kenneth Frampton. The location we chose for our work is the Valle di Muggio, an area very close to our school. Projects considered the future of seven settlements - Casima, Monte, Campora, Muggio, Cabbio, Bruzella and Caneggio - and the necessary urban, architectural and landscaping interventions necessary to ensure their qualities are not eroded by insensitive development.

In the first instance we invited students to explore and update the notion of critical regionalism by presenting a relevant project built after 1983 (the date of publication of Frampton's 'Critical Regionalism: modern architecture and cultural identity').

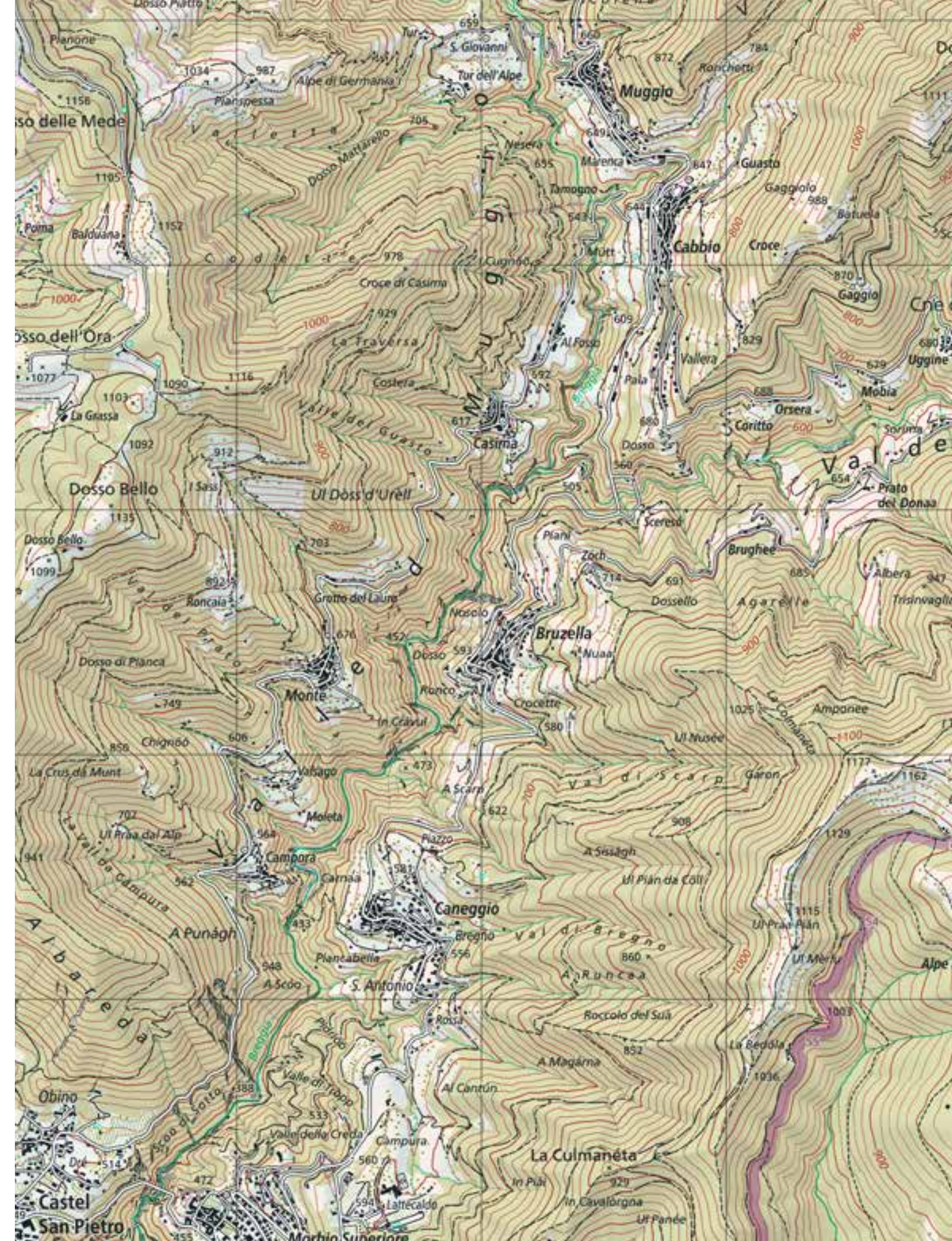
An extended period was then dedicated to an extensive survey to understand the physical conditions of each of the settlements. Students working in groups photographed and drew existing buildings in plan, section and elevation at different scales. The surveys also investigated the social structures of each settlement and how the needs of each community are currently served.

The third component of the work involved developing a strategy plan for each of the seven settlements having carefully appraised their future needs. This was carried out by the same groups that worked on the survey and considered the interdependence of neighbouring villages. Consideration was given to the potential re-use of derelict buildings, where necessary, through the addition of new structures and building programmes. Most of the semester was devoted to the testing and refining of the ideas that emerged from the strategy plan. Ideas were developed individually in dialogue with the wider group. The aim was to produce a detailed and thoroughly researched set of proposals designed to inform the future planning of the seven settlements.

Valle di Muggio, aerial view

Project sites

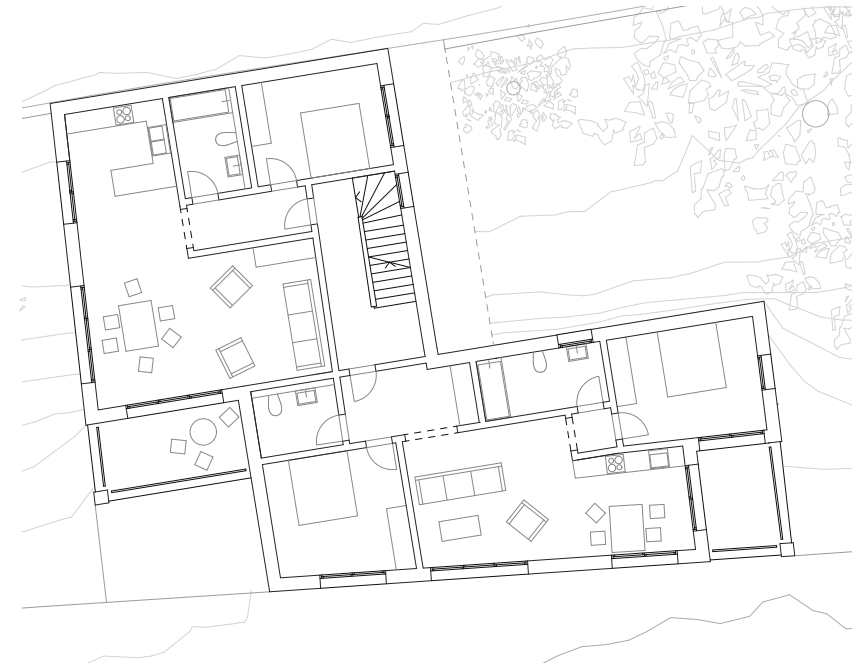
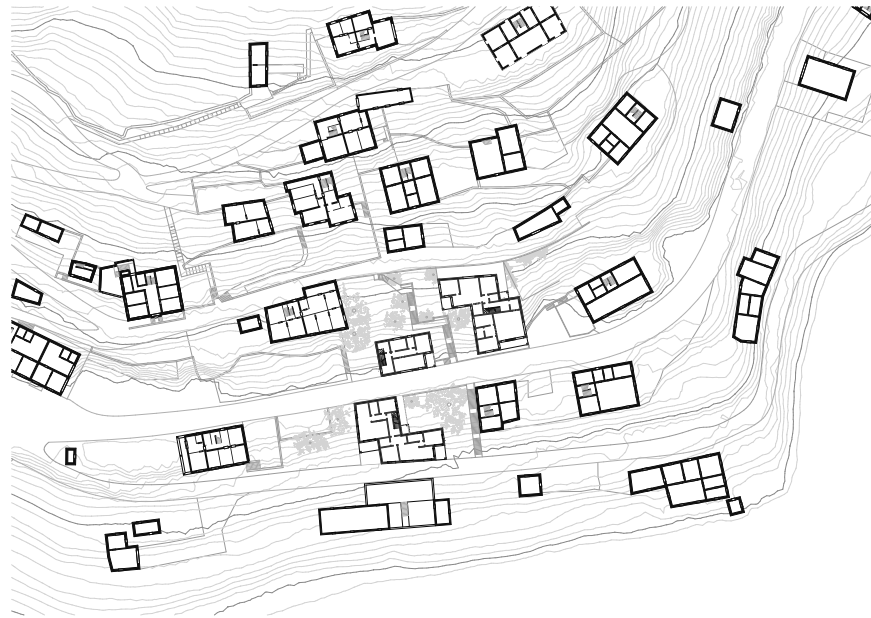
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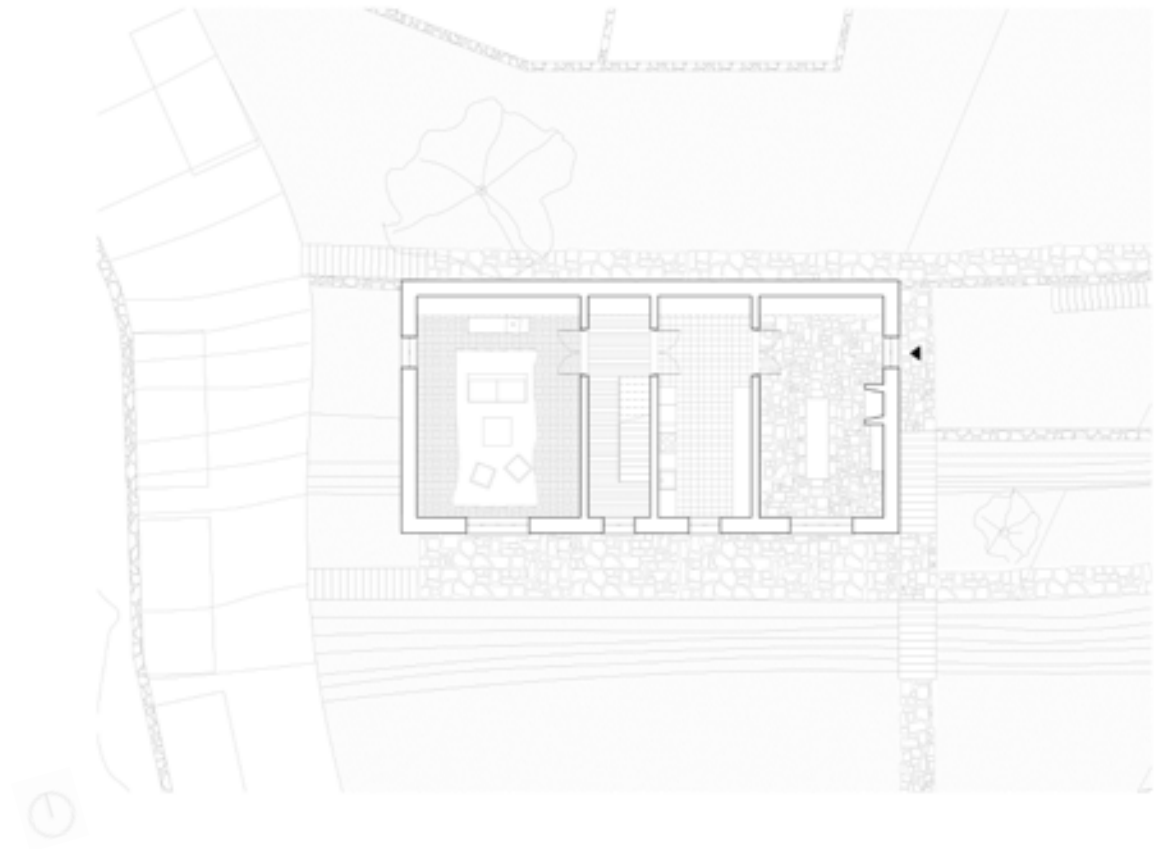




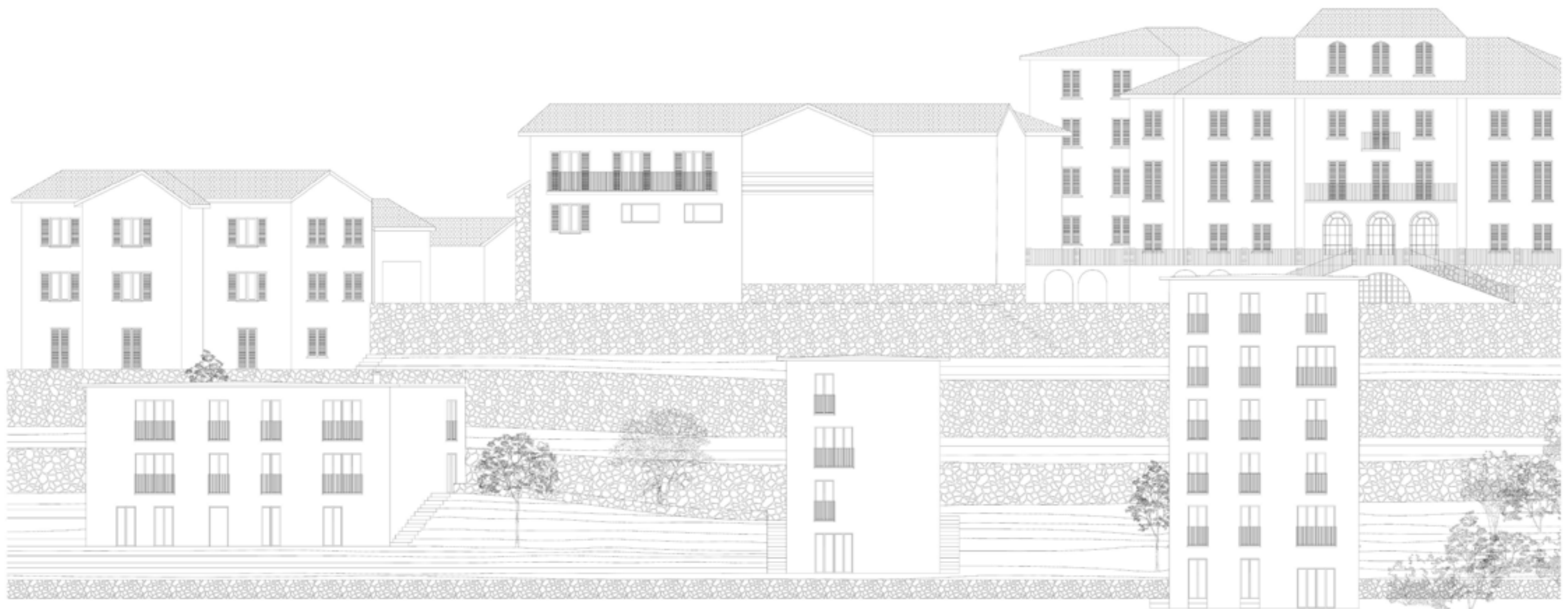
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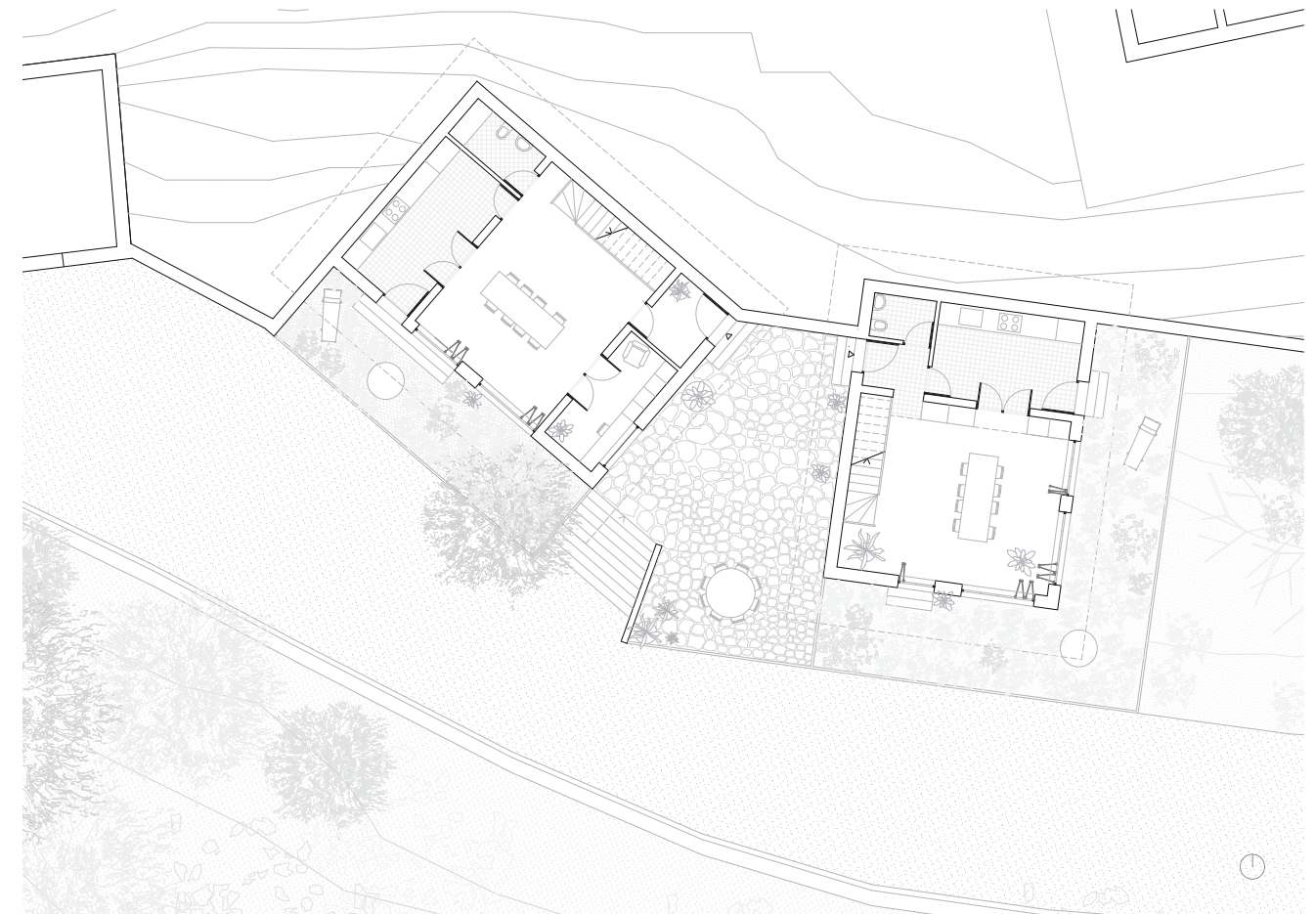
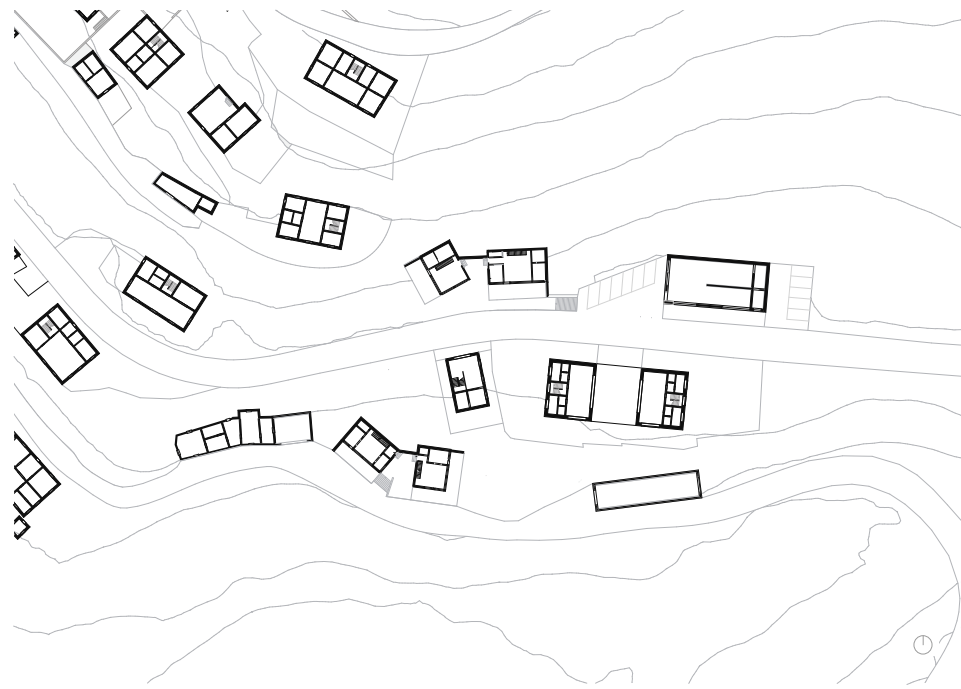








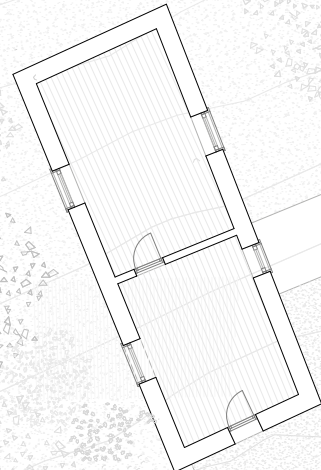
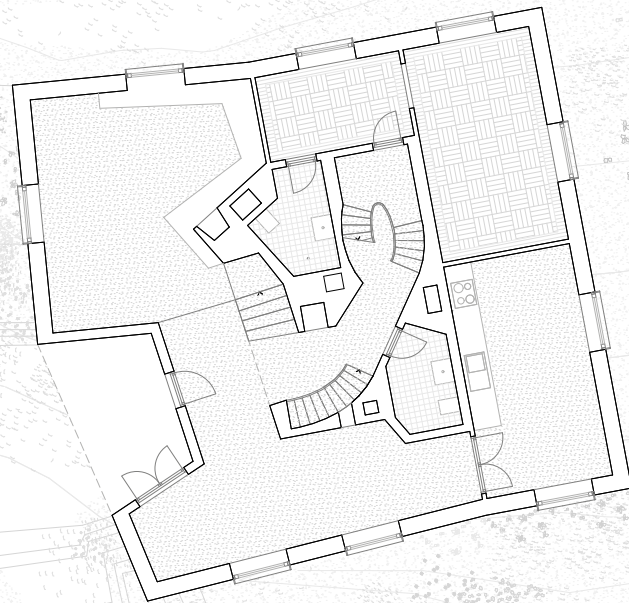
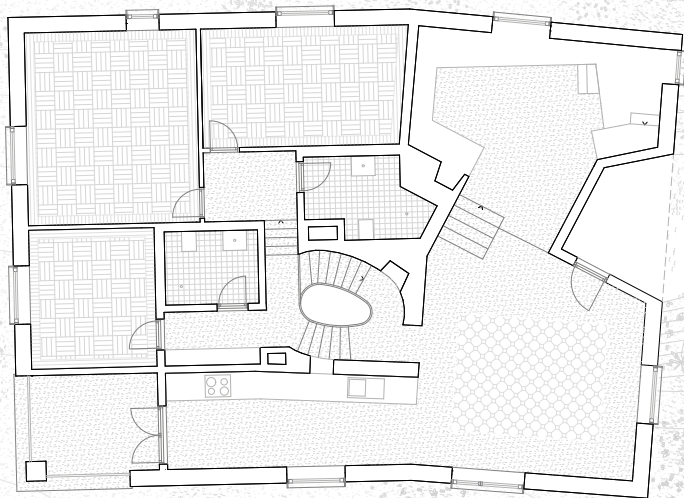
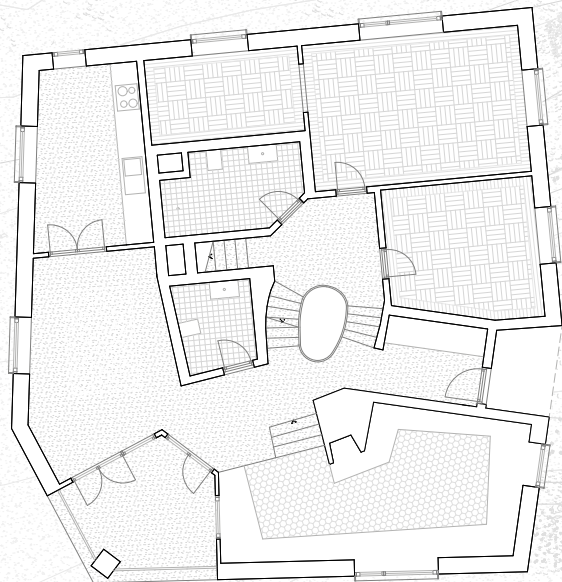


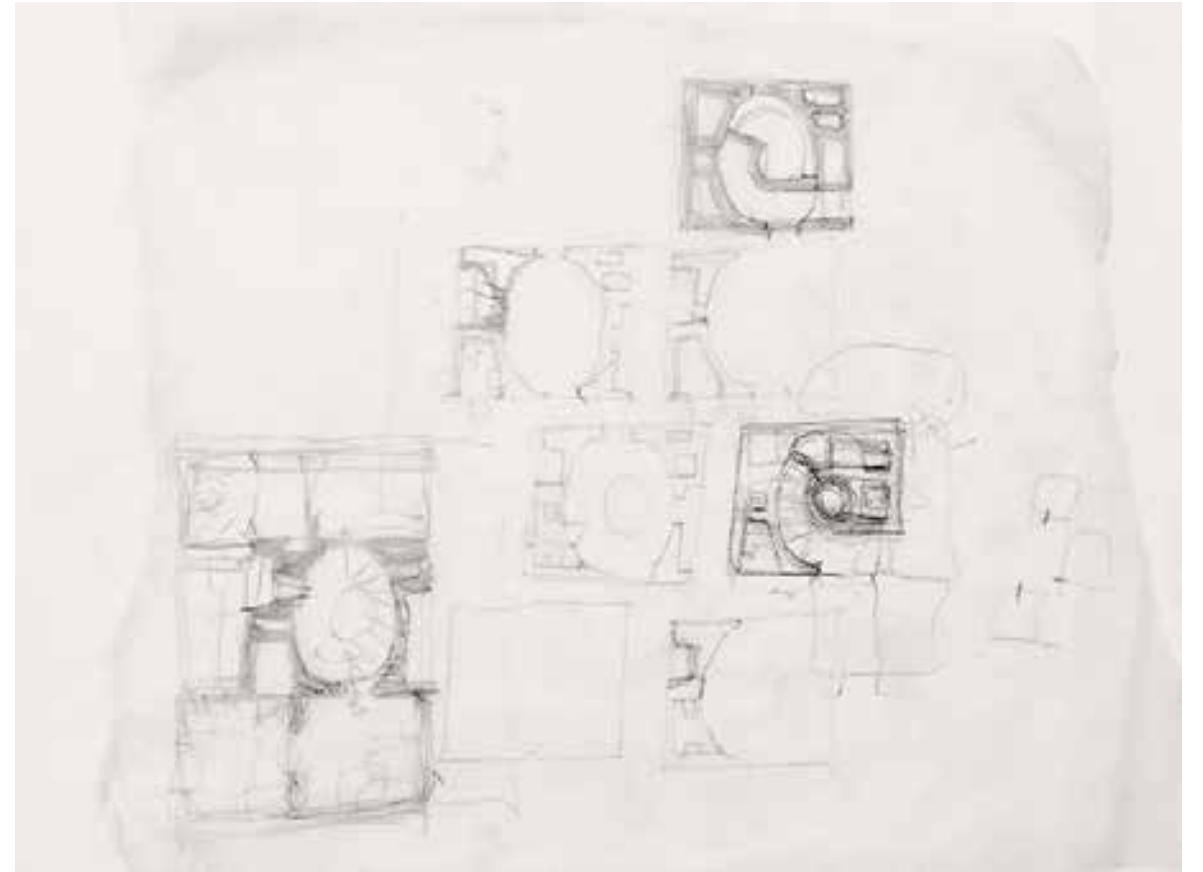
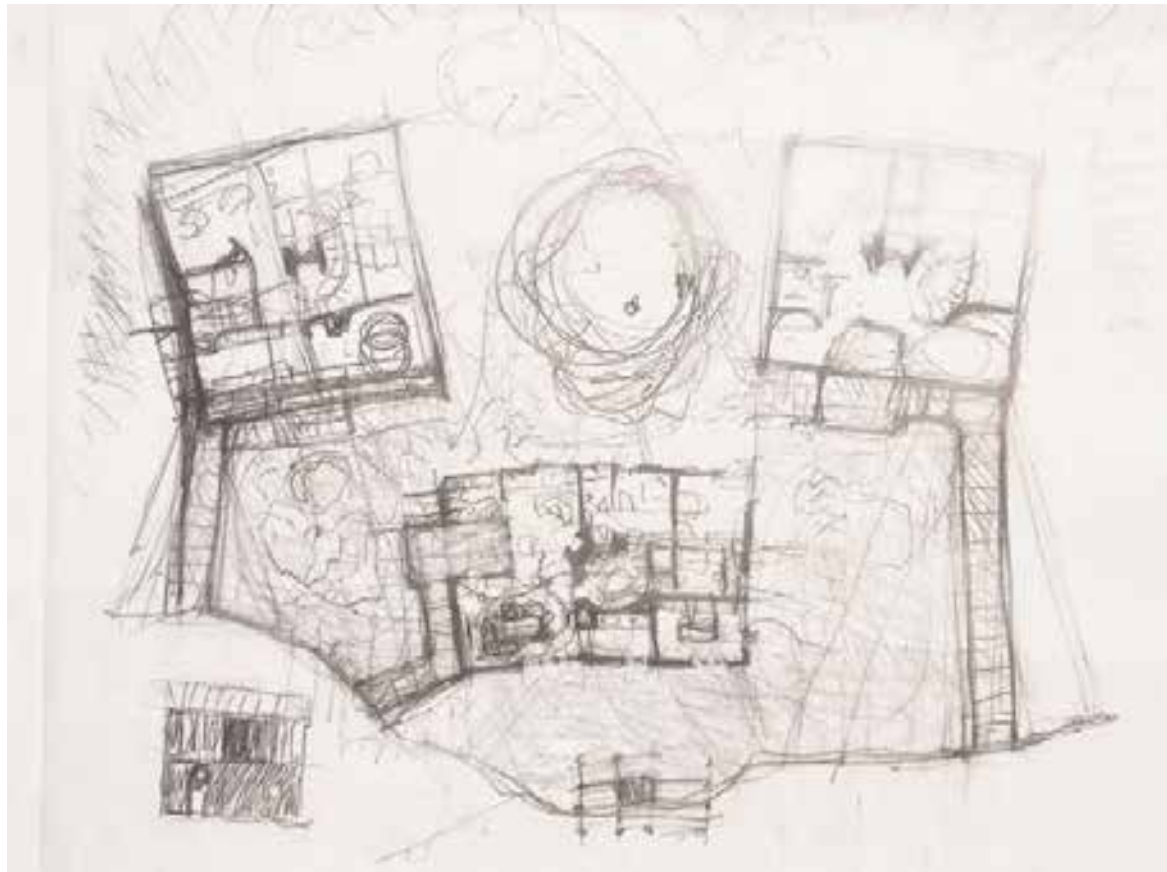
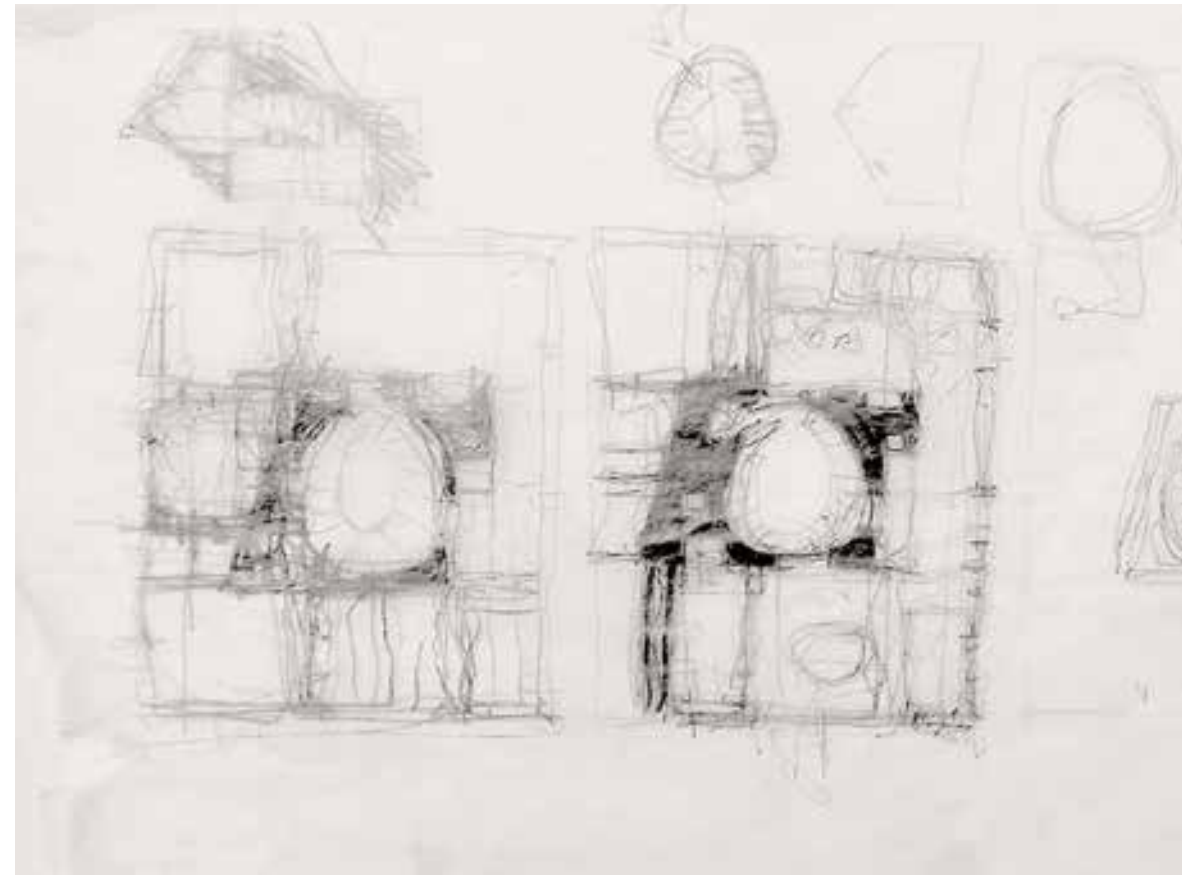
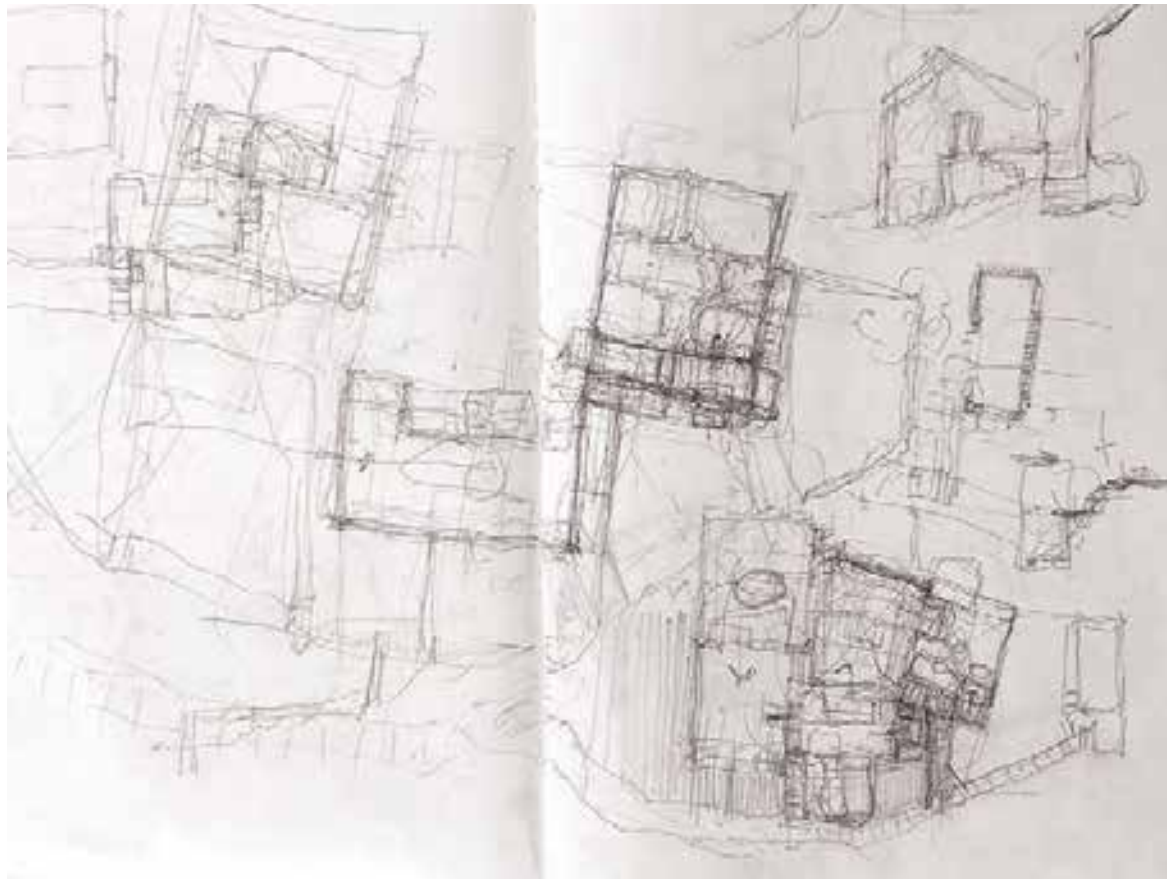














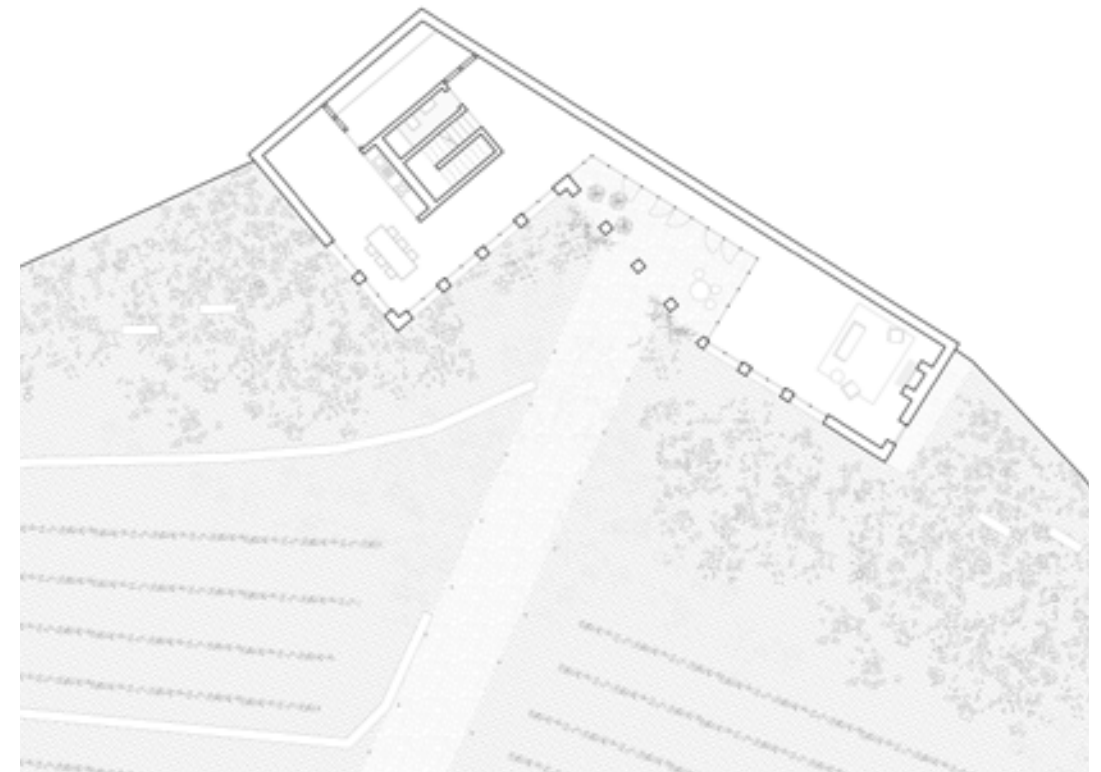
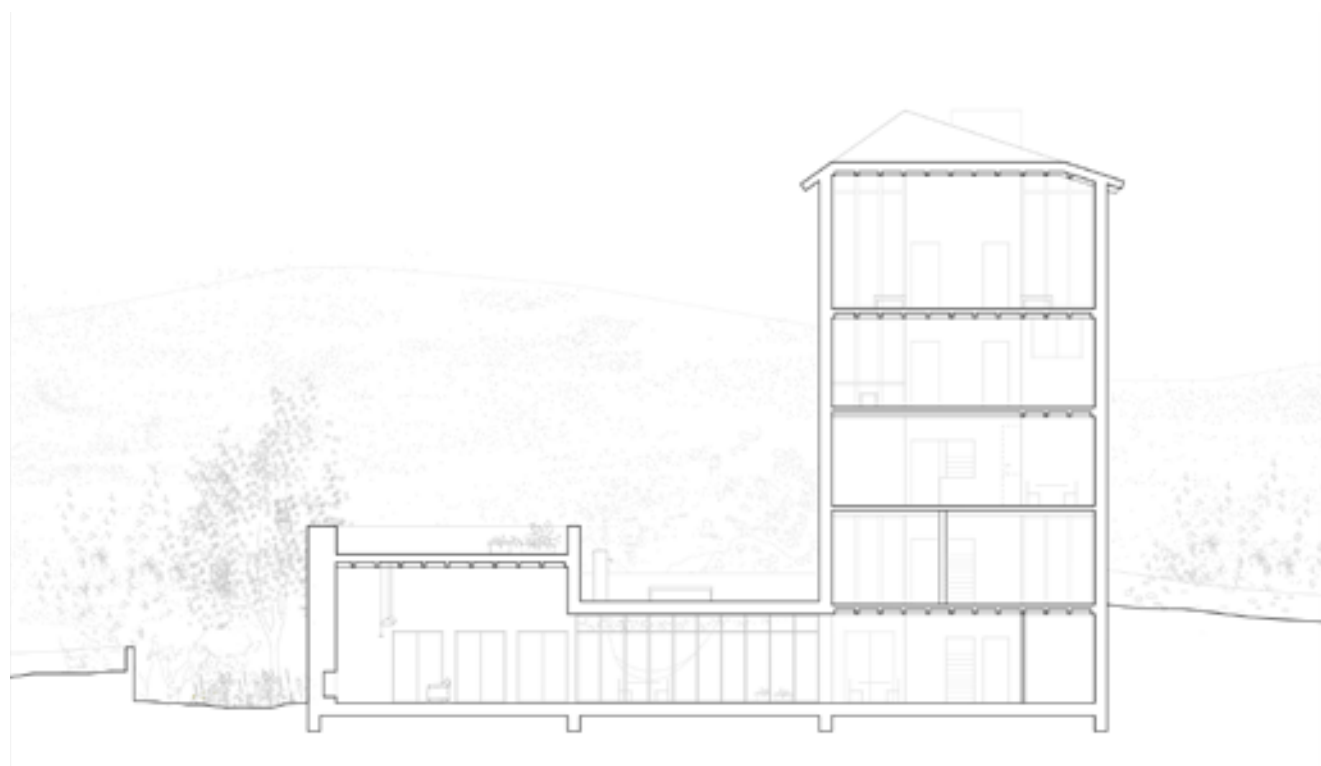




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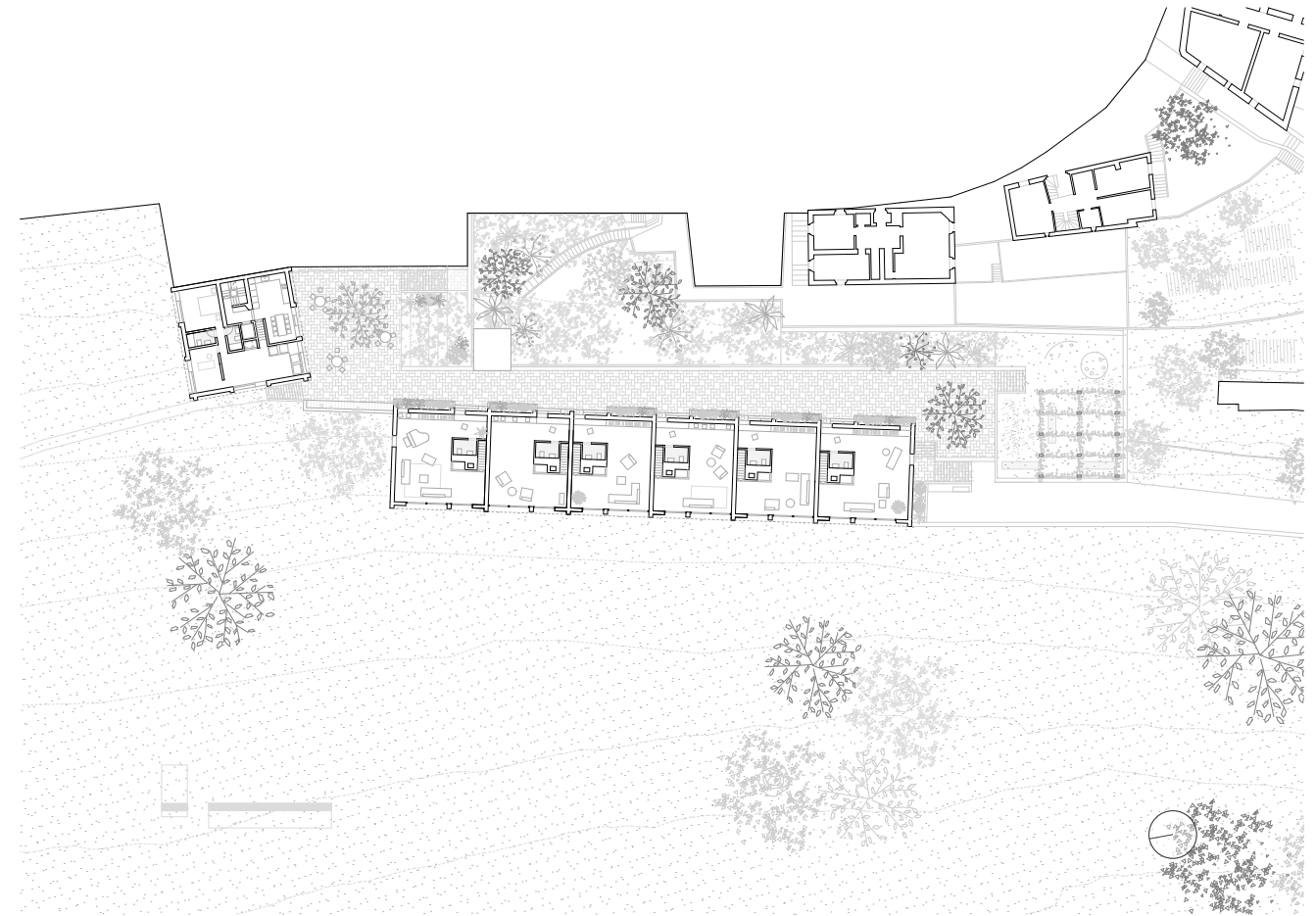
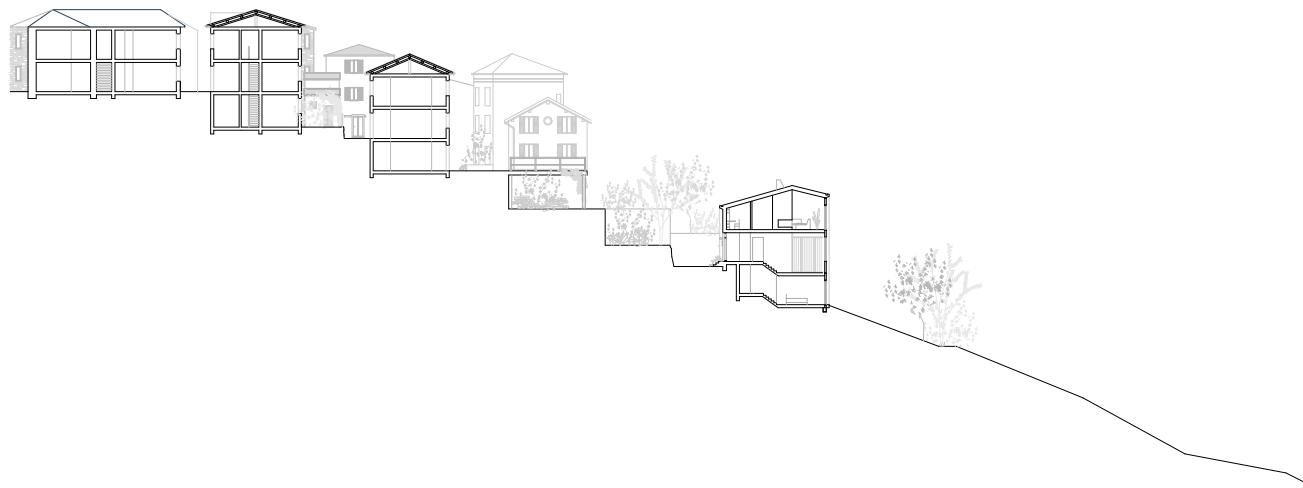


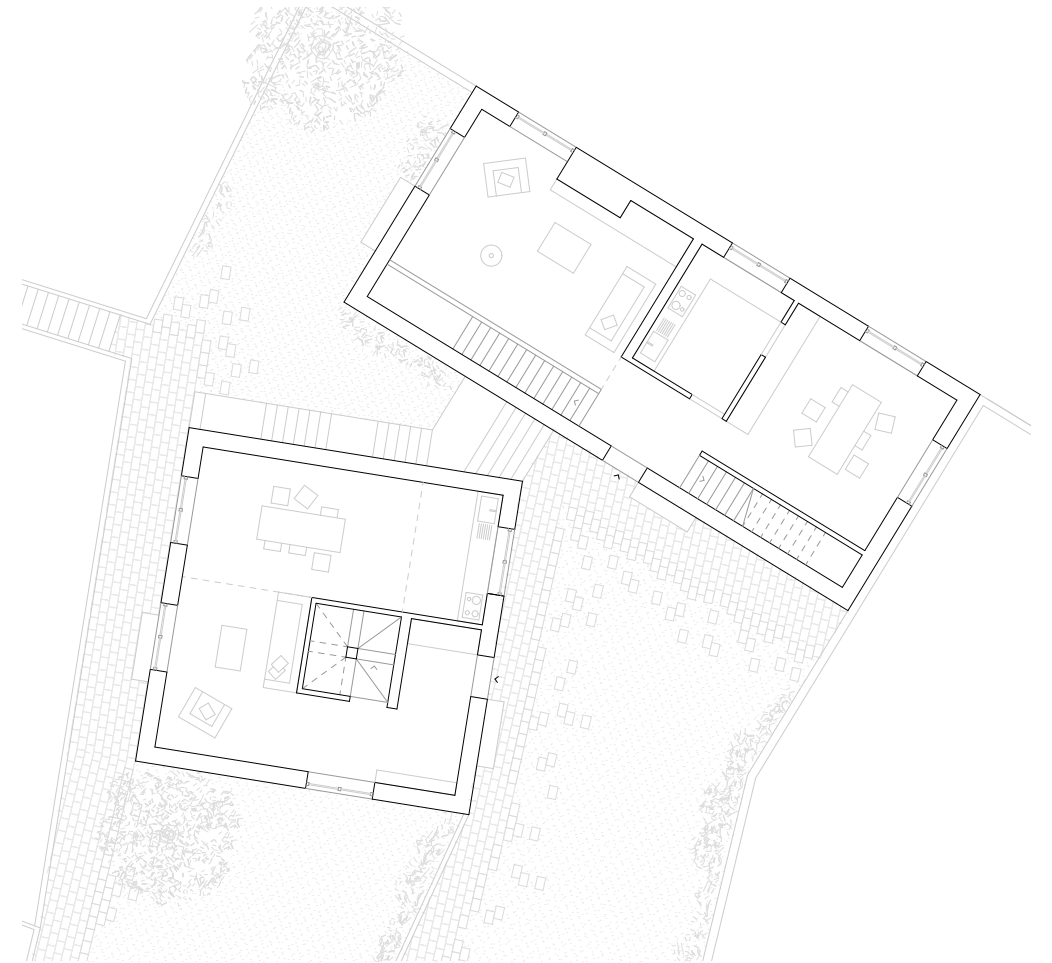


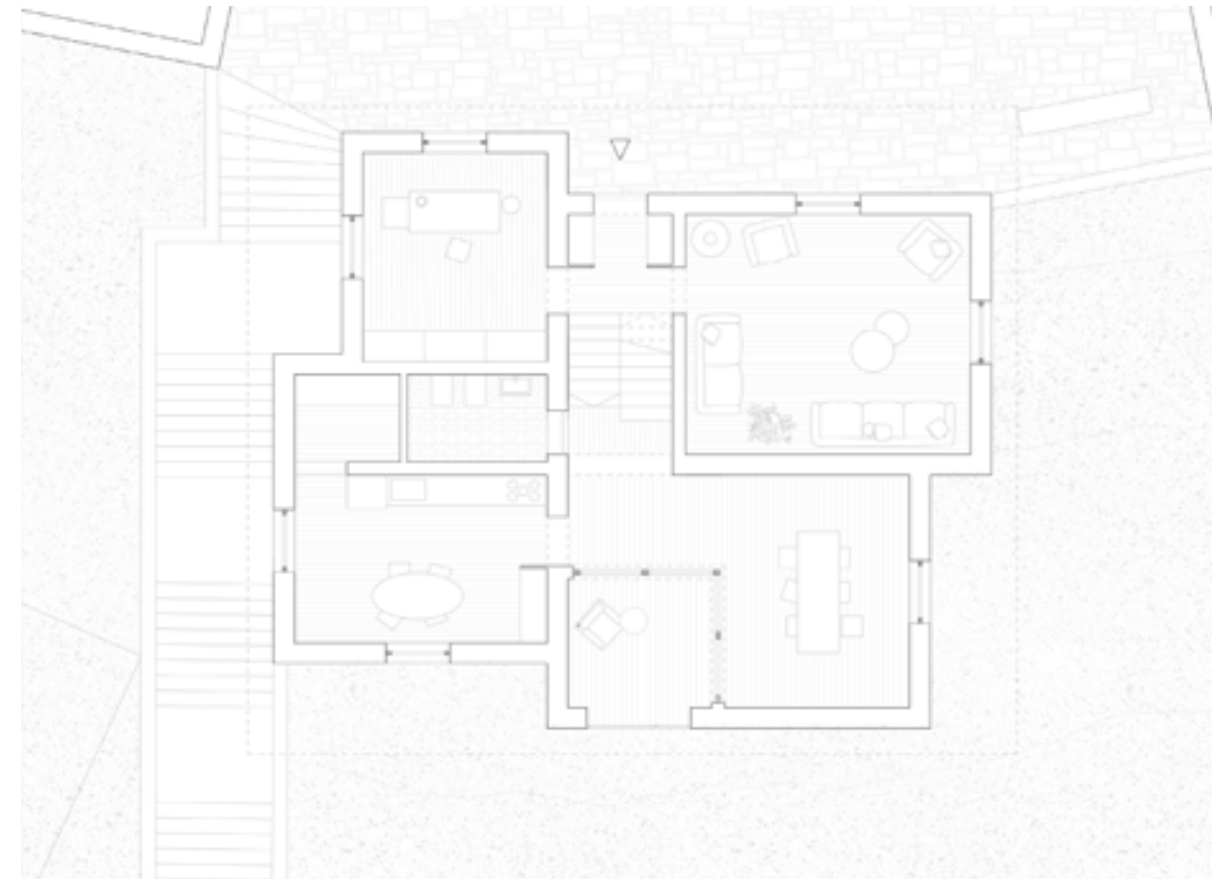






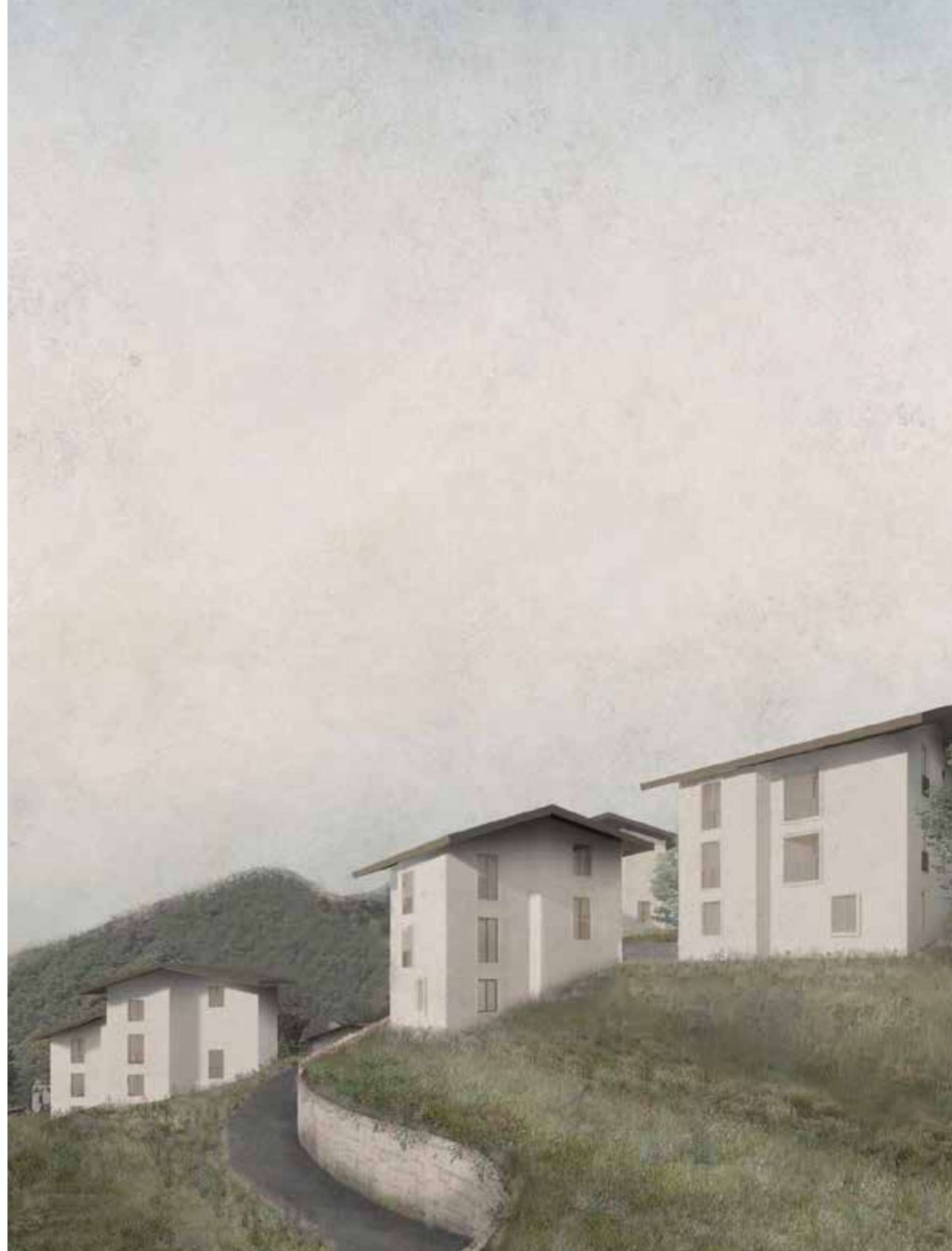




















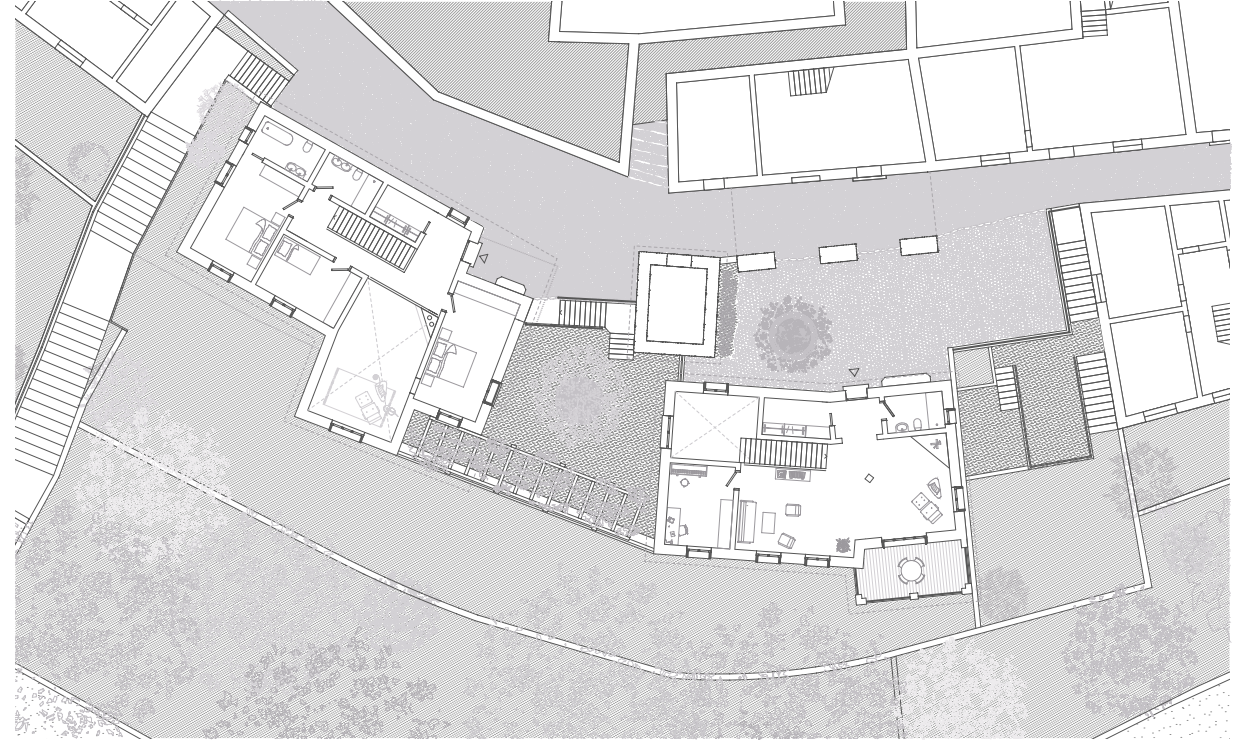
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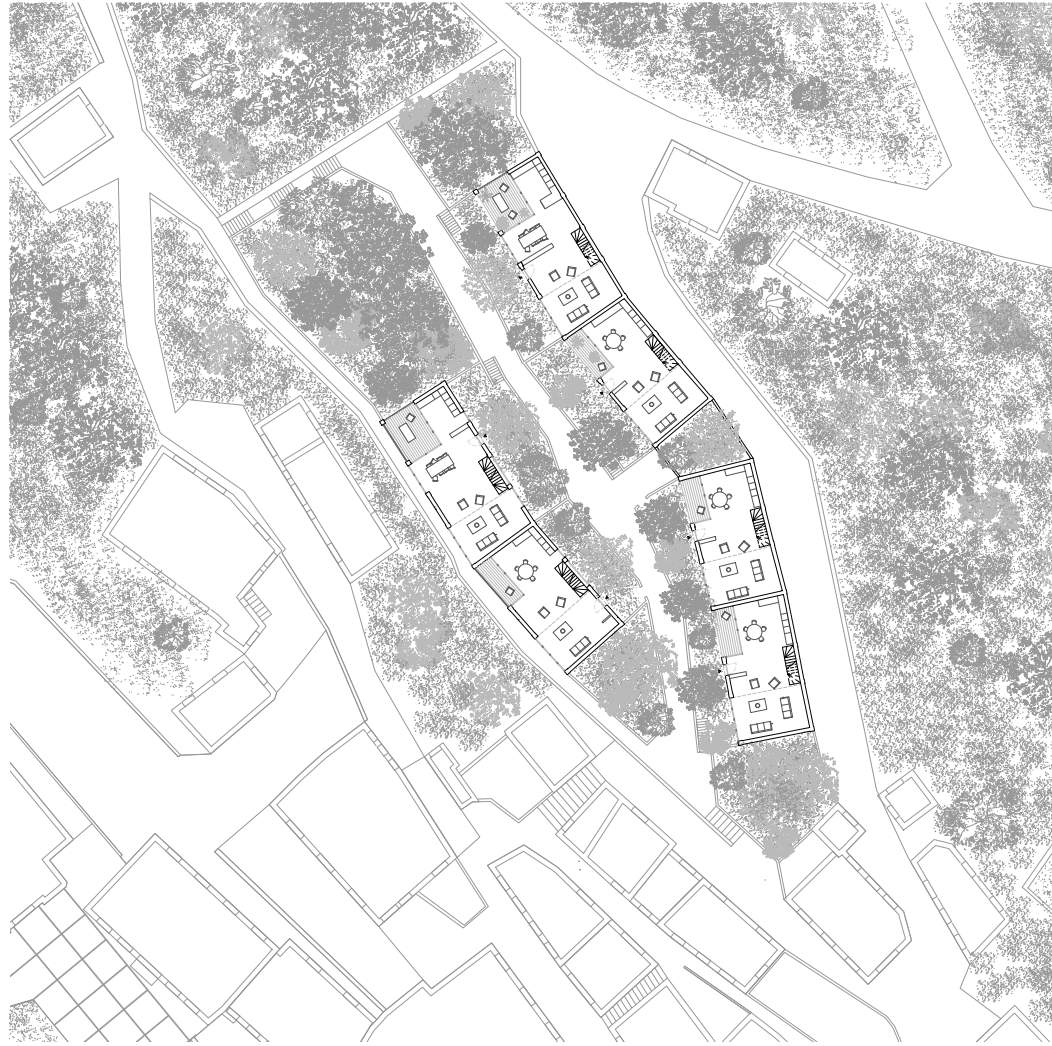
















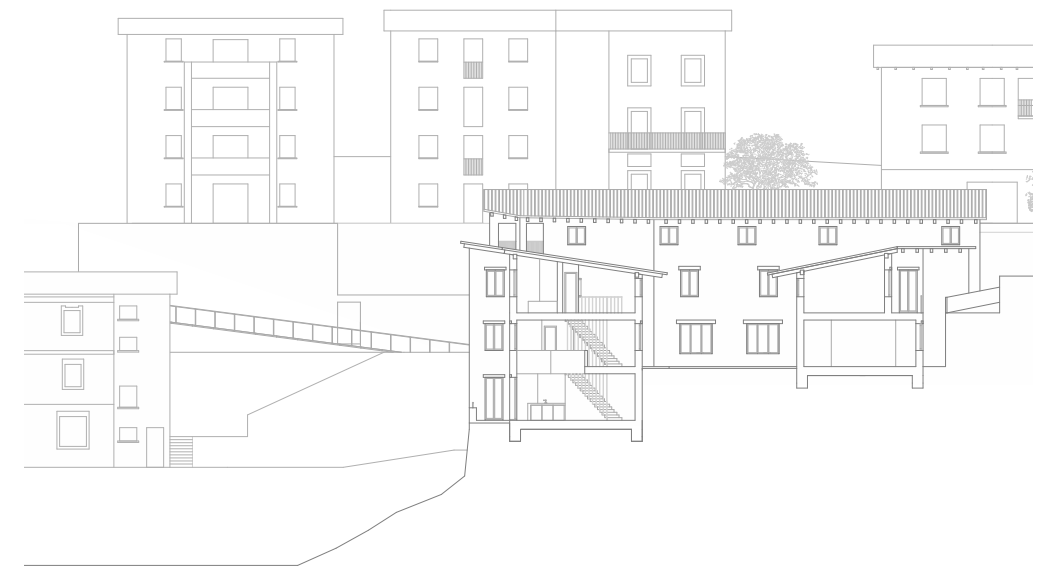
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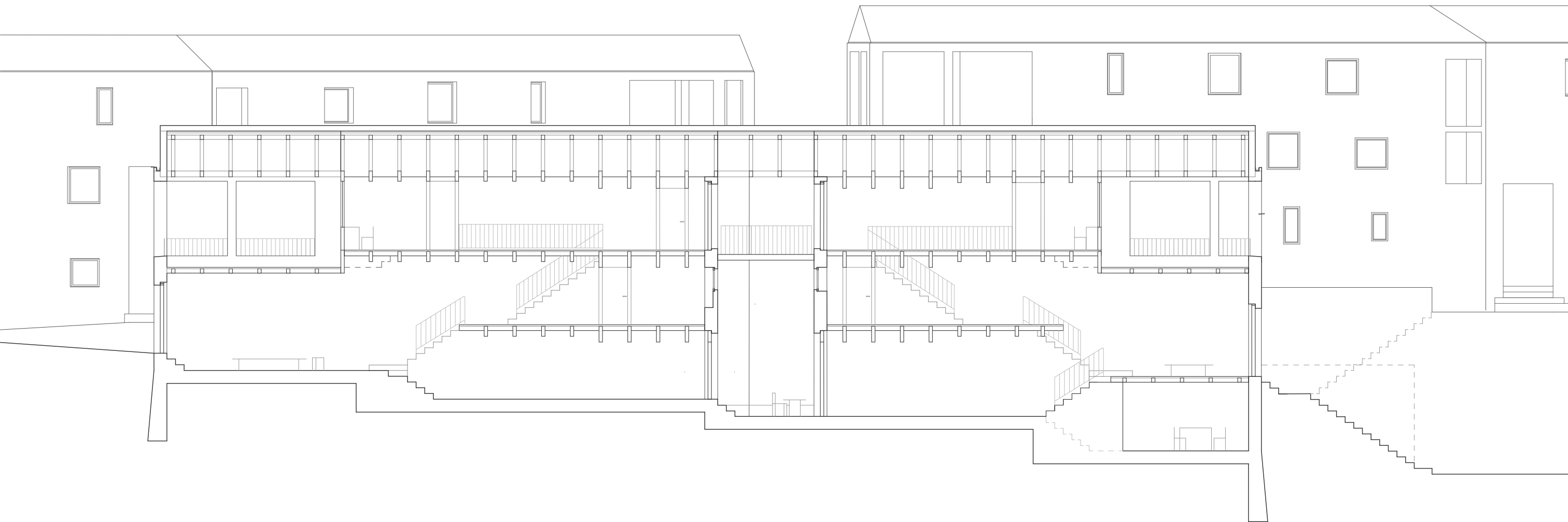




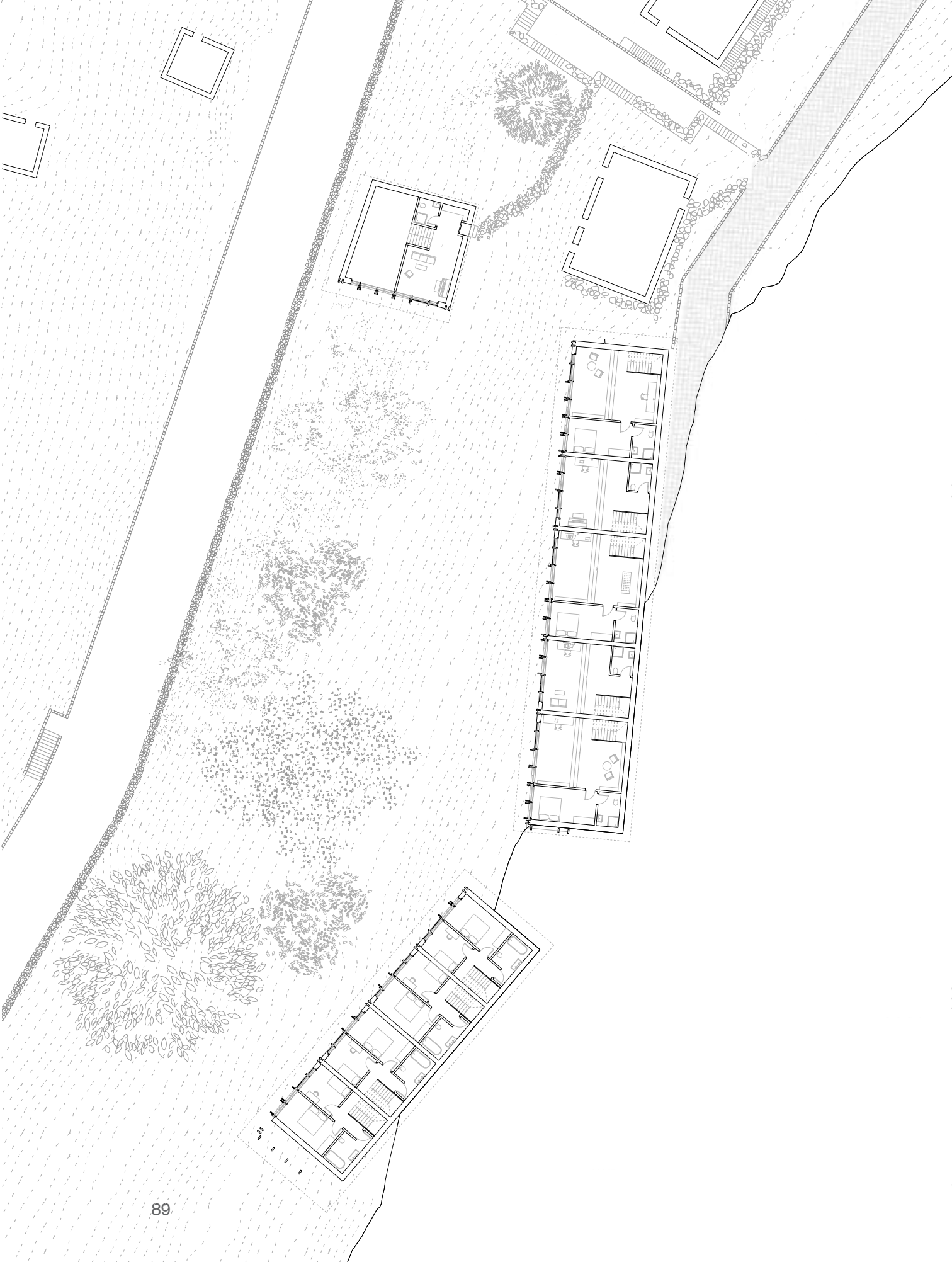


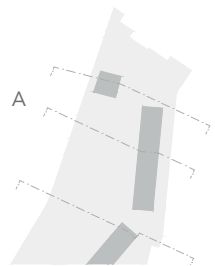
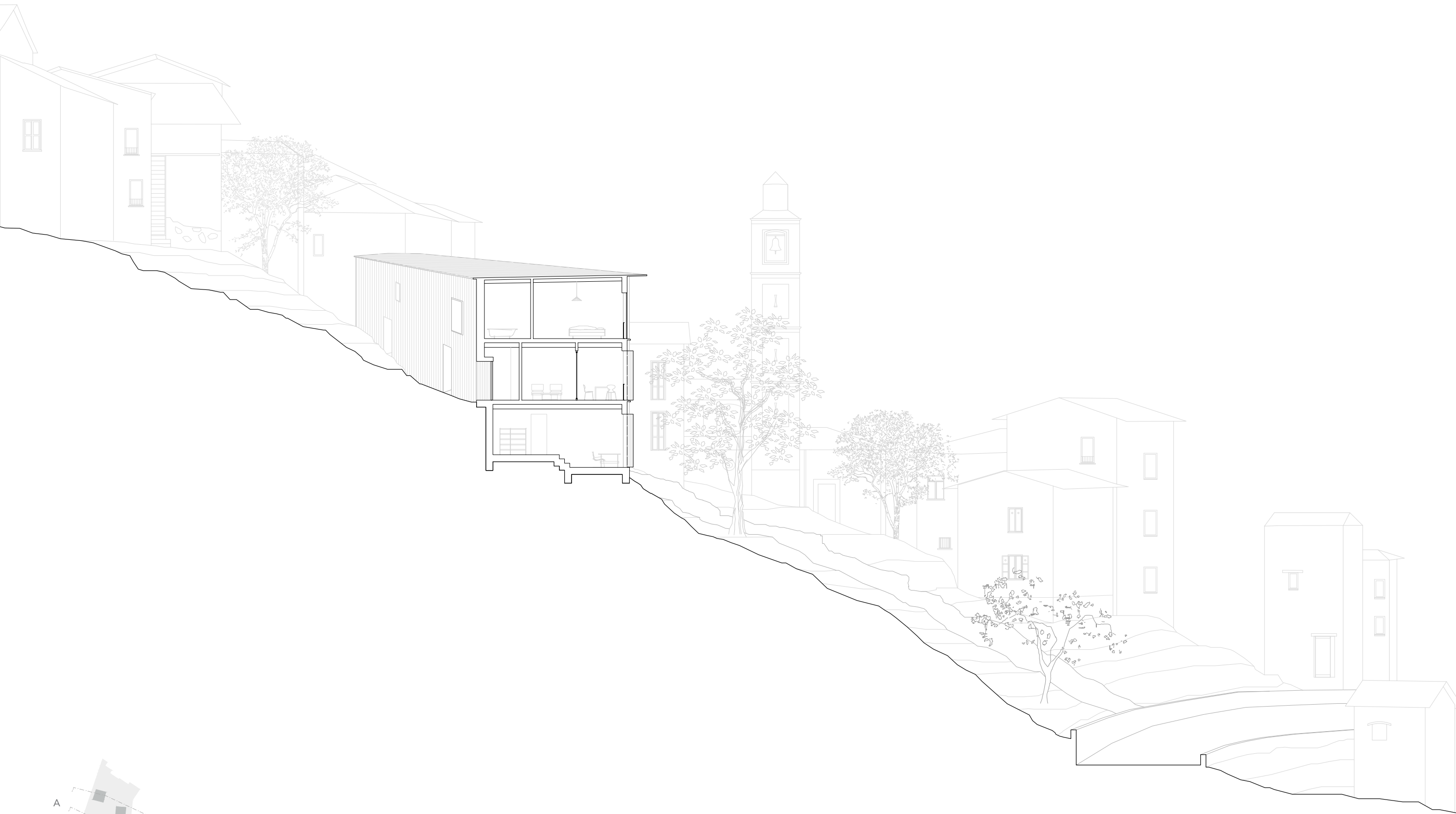














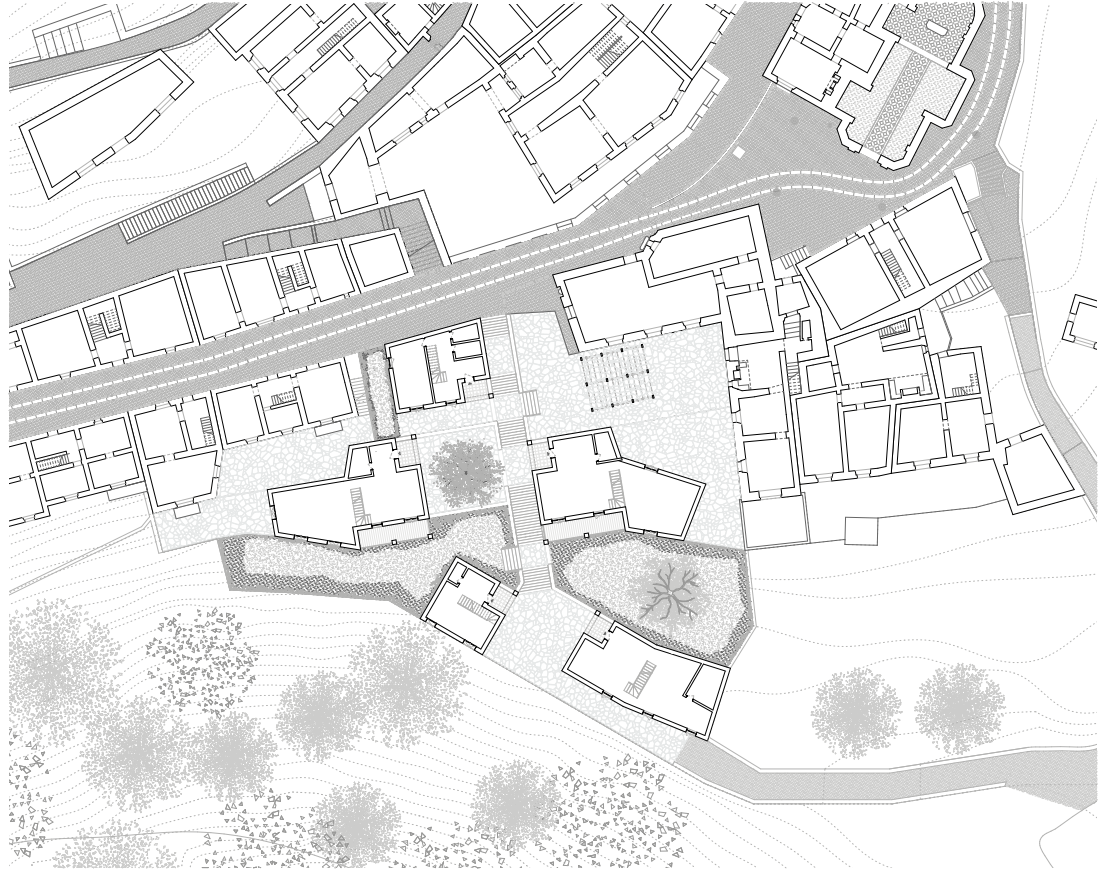
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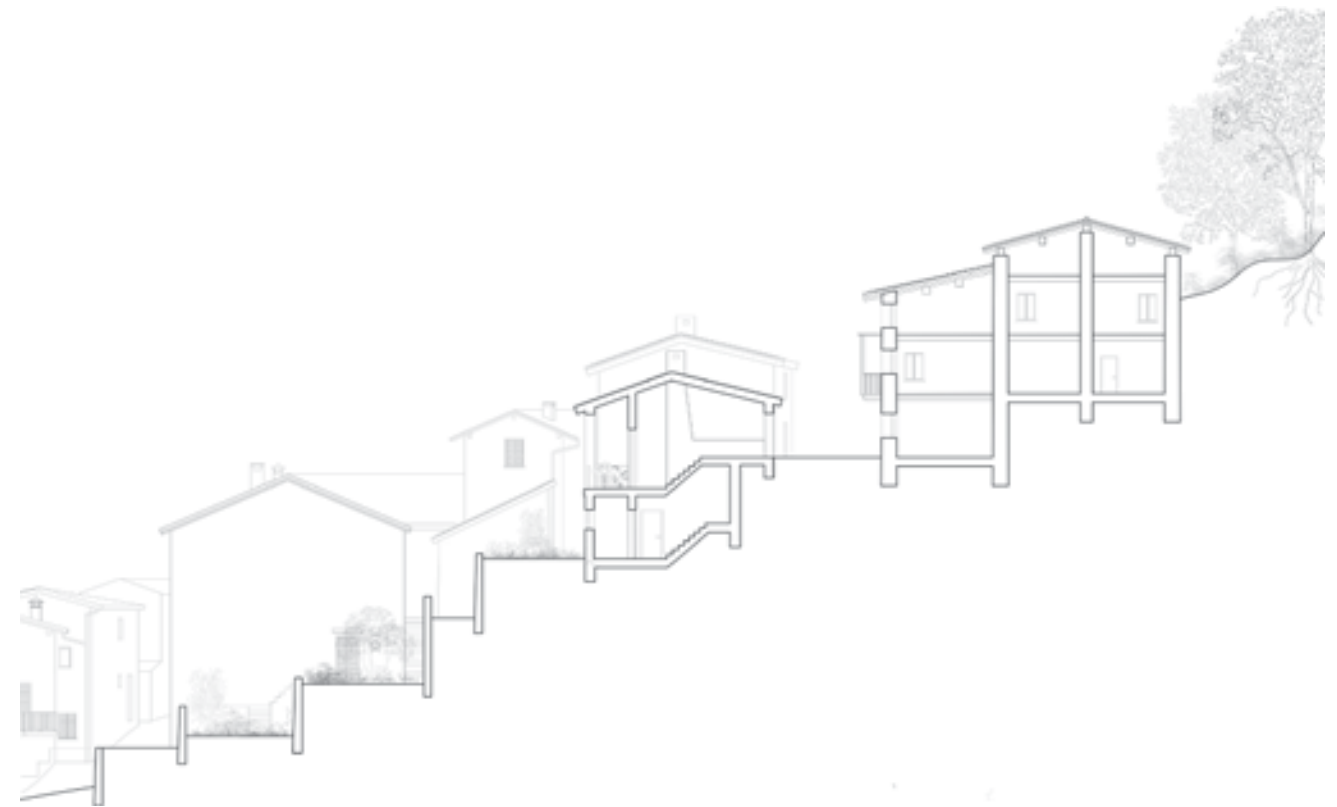
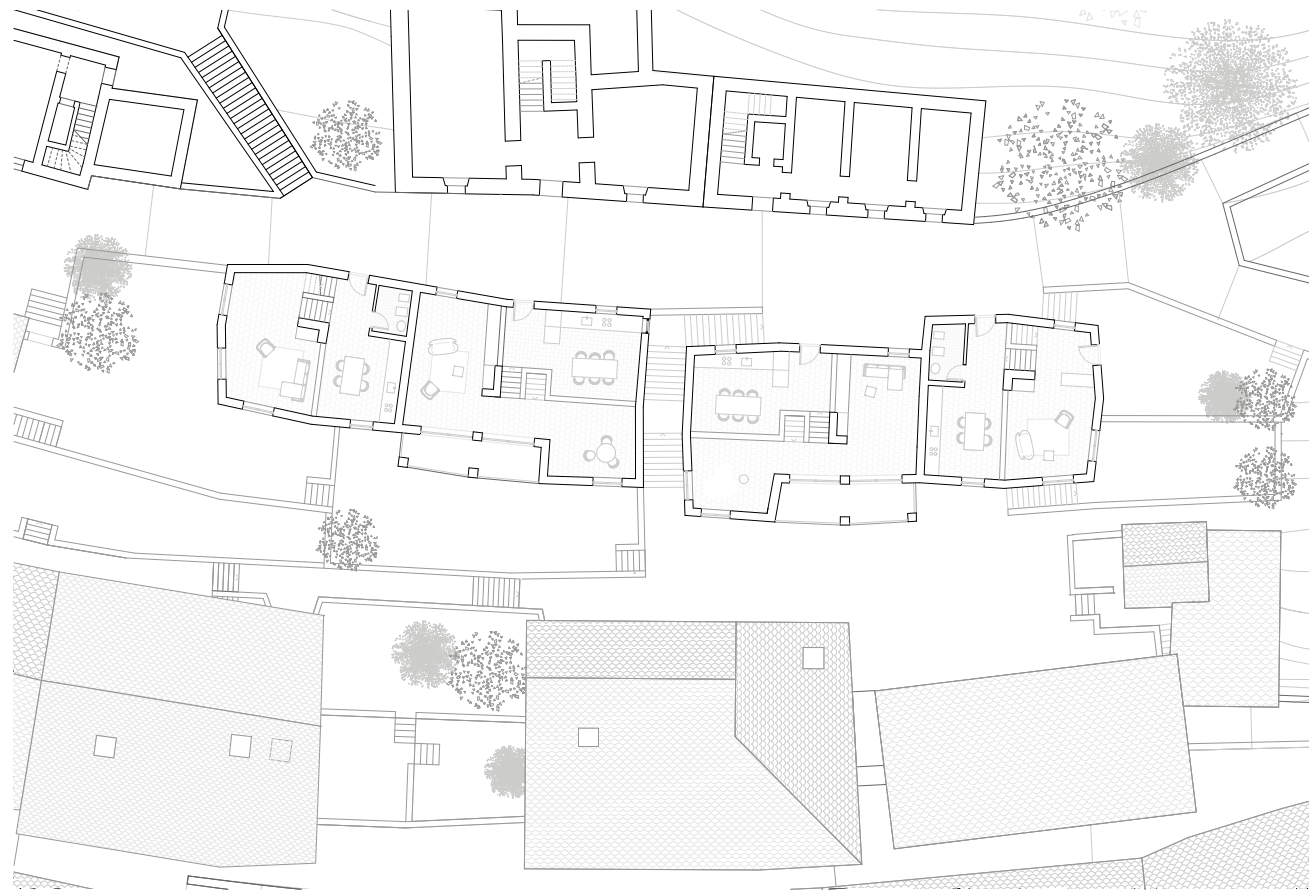
























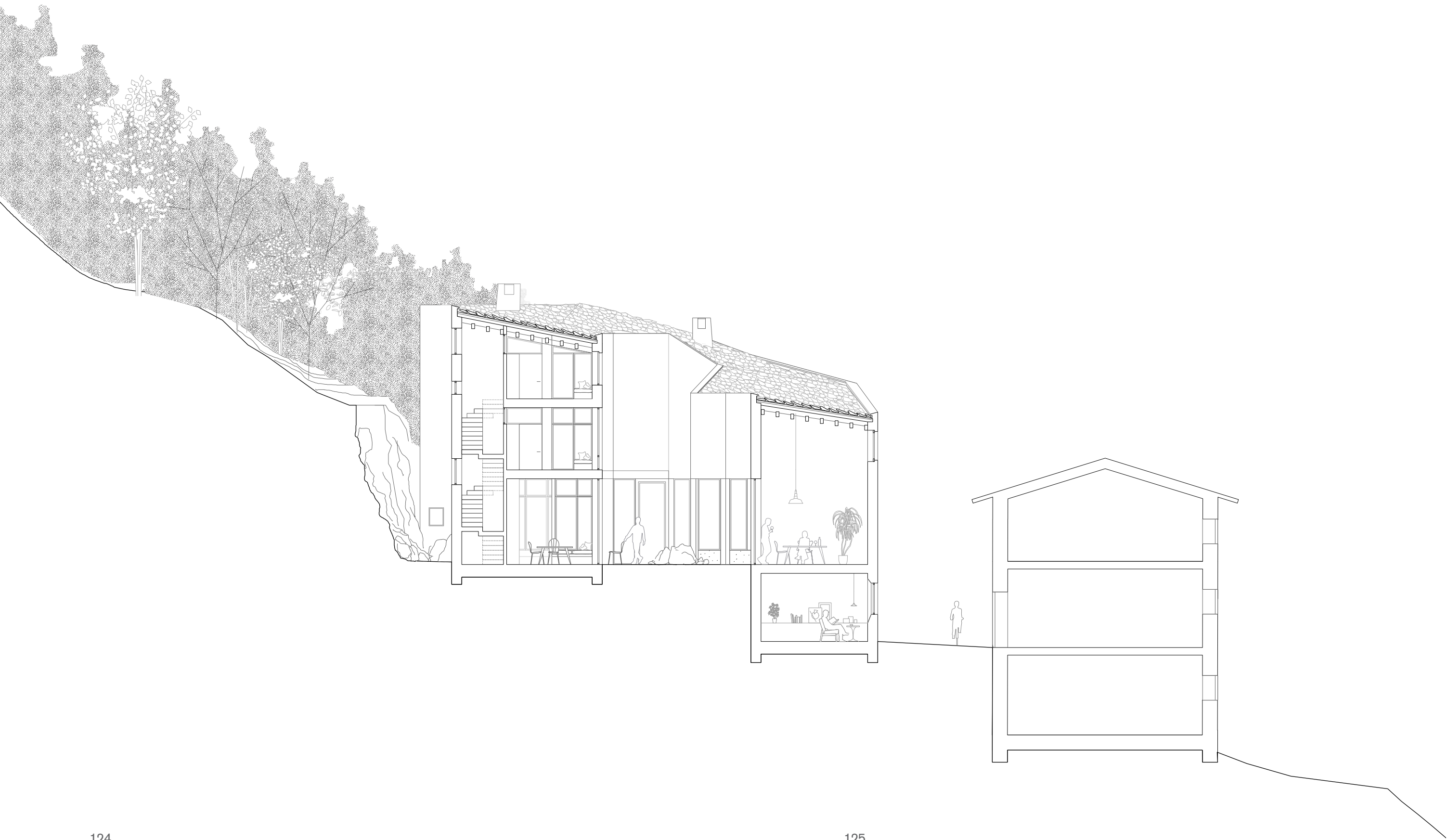






















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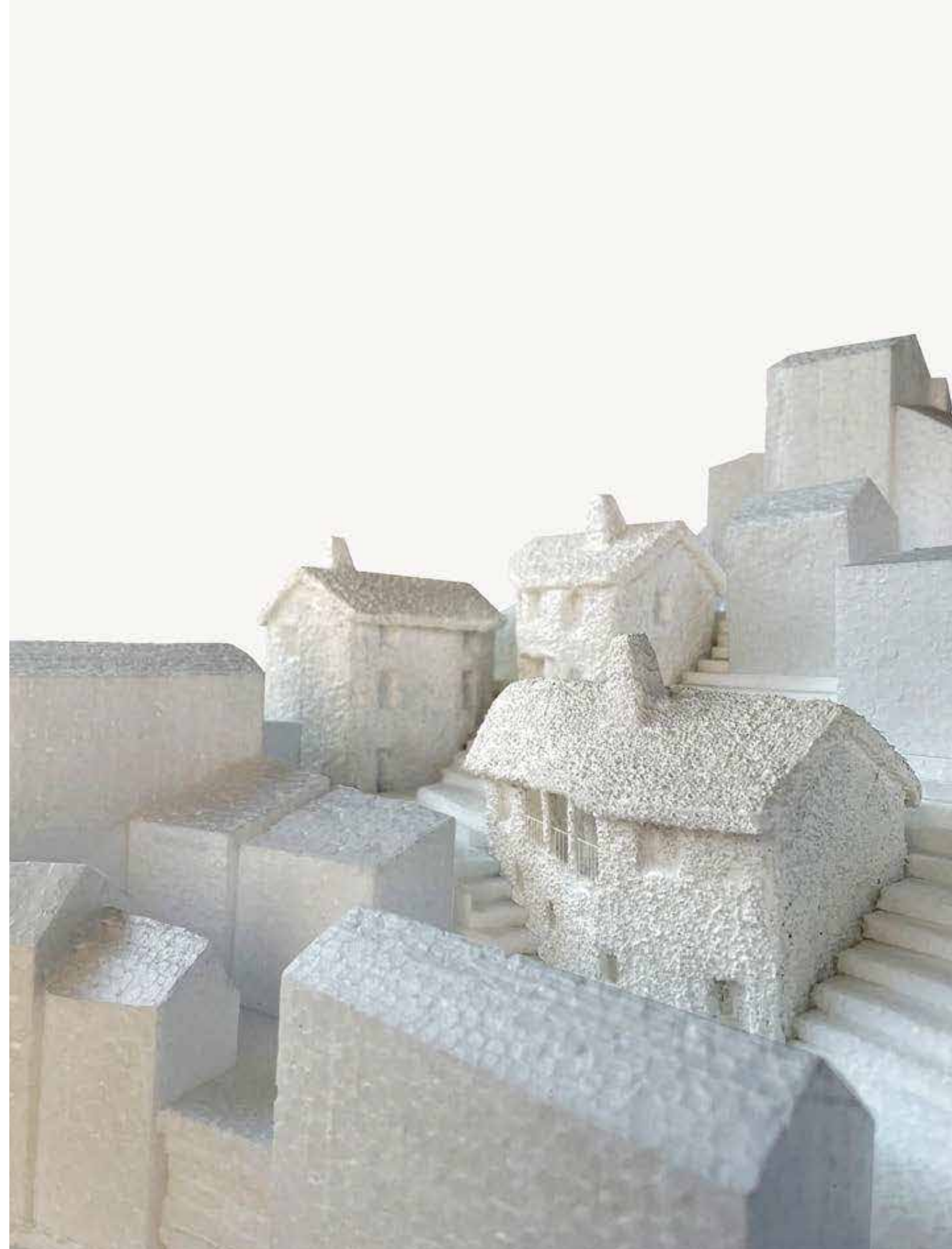
























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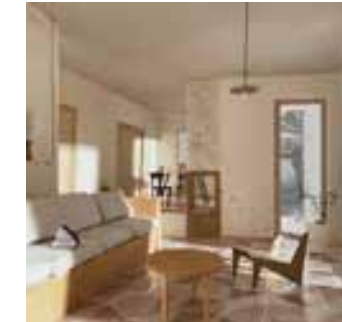
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