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Deregulation of Meaning.

" The dominant history of architecture, which is a history of signified, has to be revised... "

De-, Dis-, Ex-

(Prefixes of today, 1987)

De-centering
Dis-integration
Dis-continuity (punctum, quantum)
The crisis of Determinism
Uncertainty
Distortion of Signifier & Signified
...

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Programmability:

Strategy of Disjunction, Double-coding

Accessibility:

Complementarities of Body and Architecture

Vs. autonomy of architecture

Vs. dichotomy of body-space relationship

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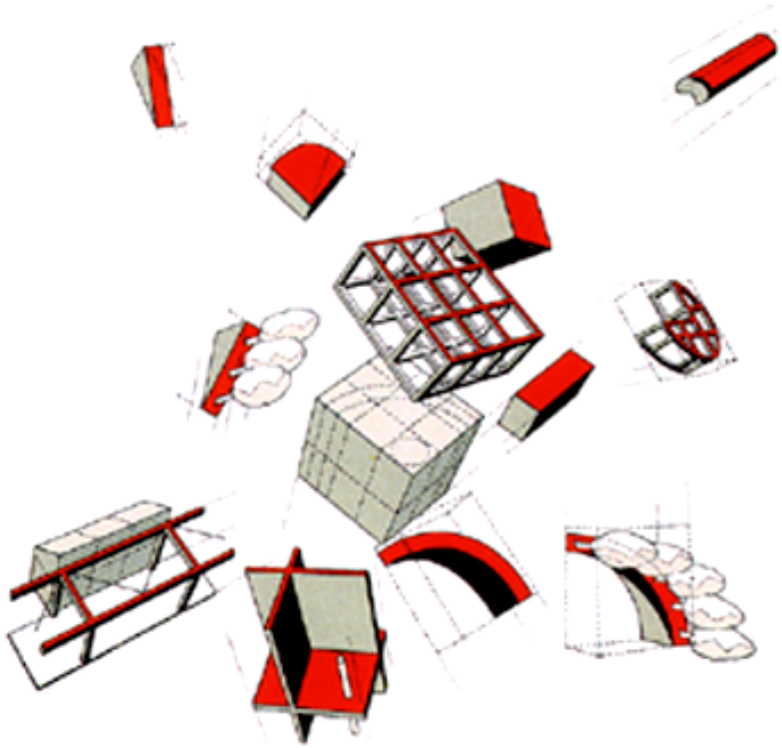
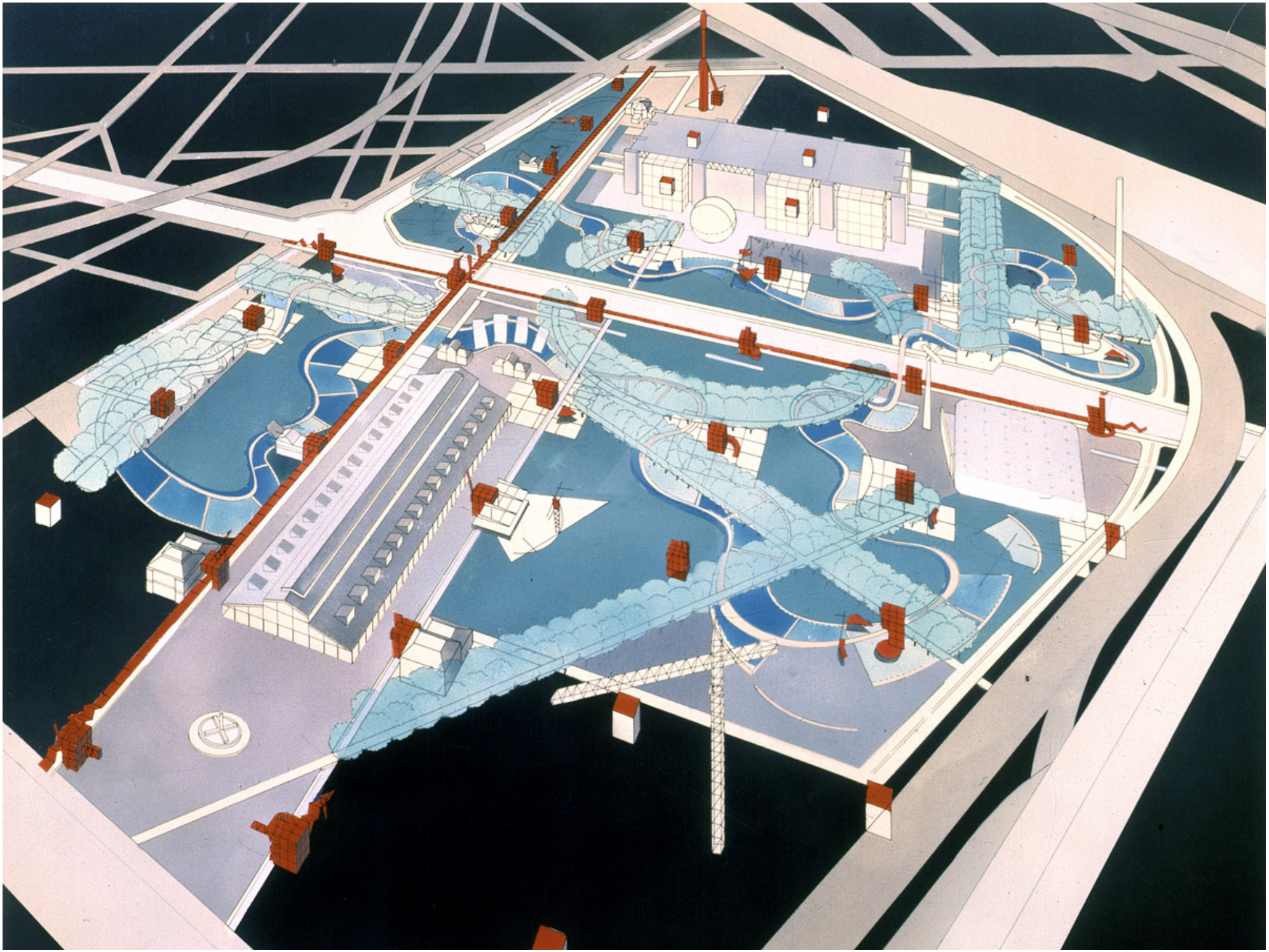
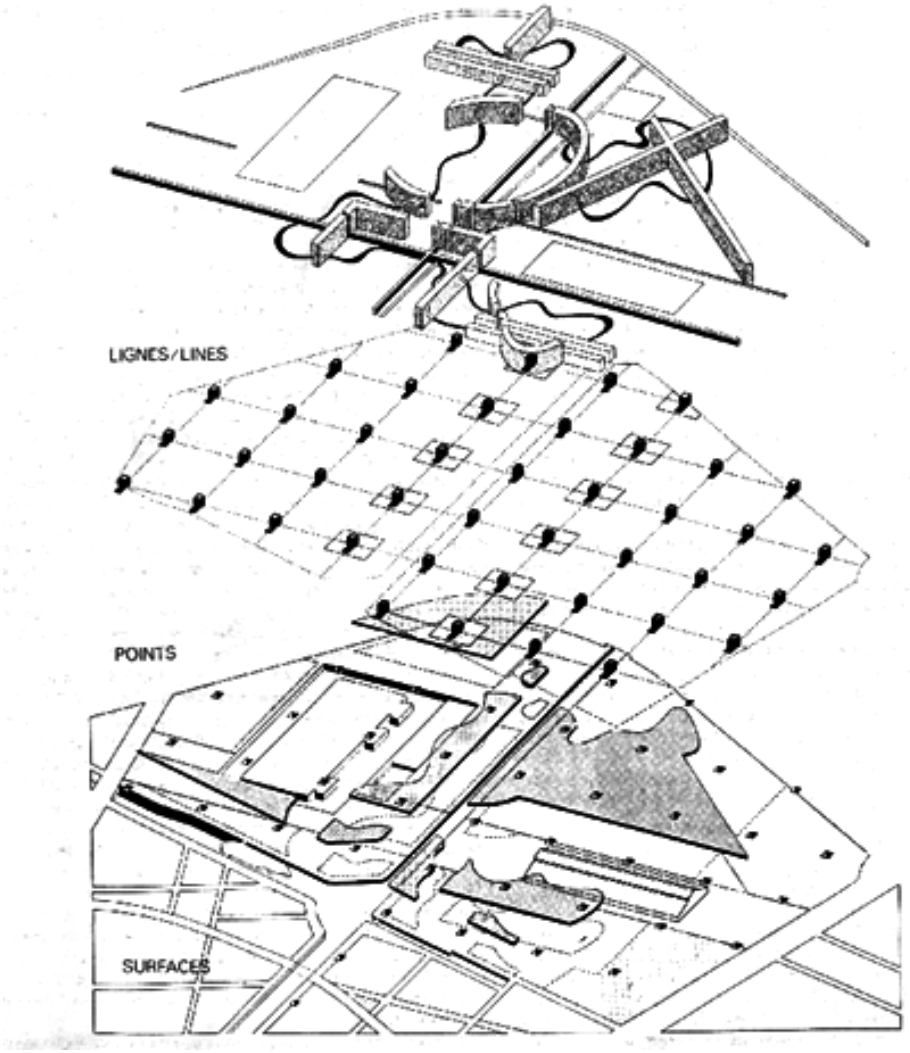


Programmability: Strategy of Disjunction, Double-coding

Discontinuous, Sequential, Against Totality...





Superimposition, Repetition

“ Folie “

Madness, Insanity
Anchoring Point, Point of Intensity
Abstract Plane
Common Denominator
Combination, Contamination, Transference

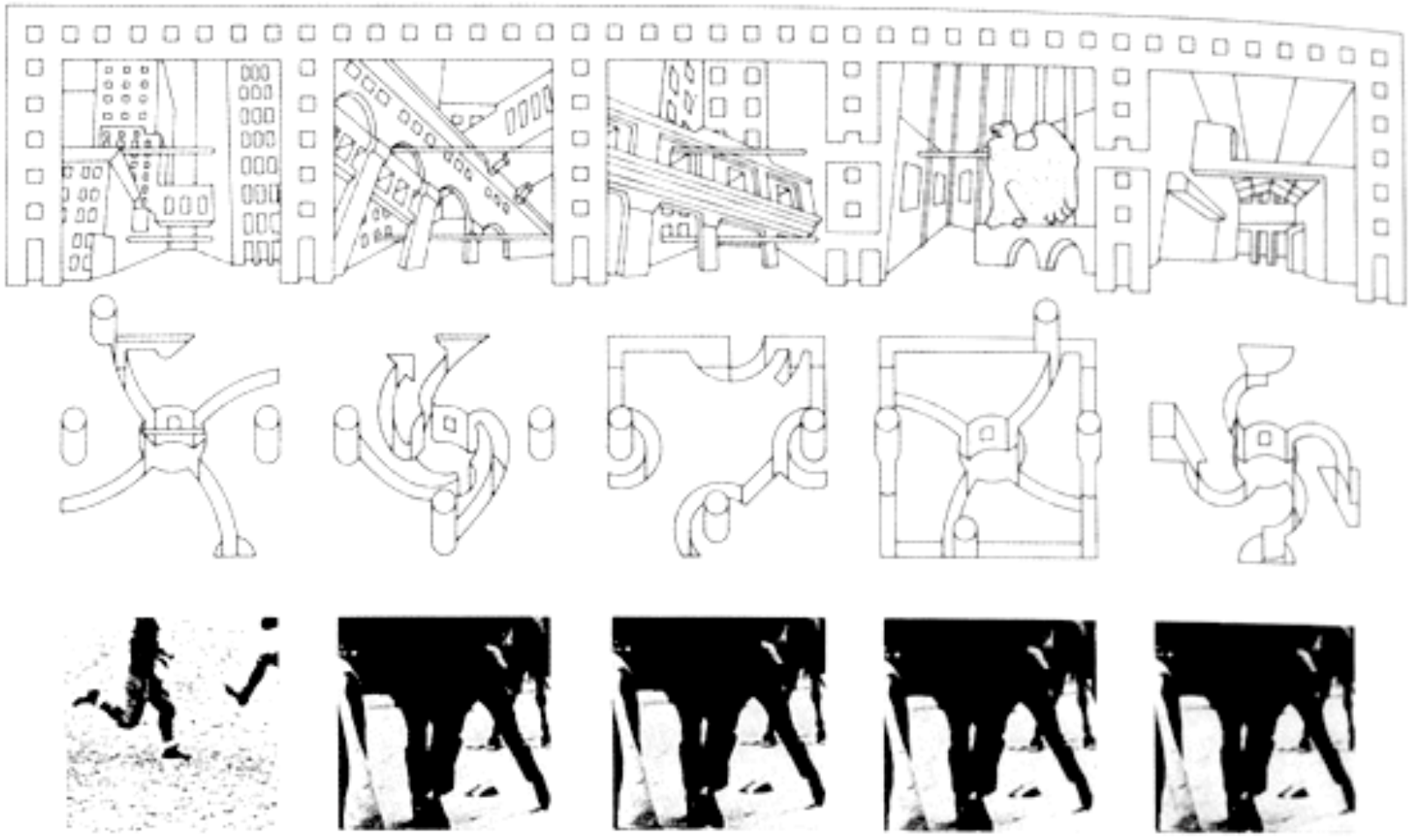
1. Excess of meanings = Lacks meaning **?**
2. **Signify** < Substitute.

   How can meaning be produced when sign refers only to other signs?

3. Programming Dimension: Geometrical > **Territorial** *("Virtually Indexed")*

DISJUNCTIONS	**?**
Form	?
Point Grid	?
Use	?
Madness?	?

Media Façade as "Folie"



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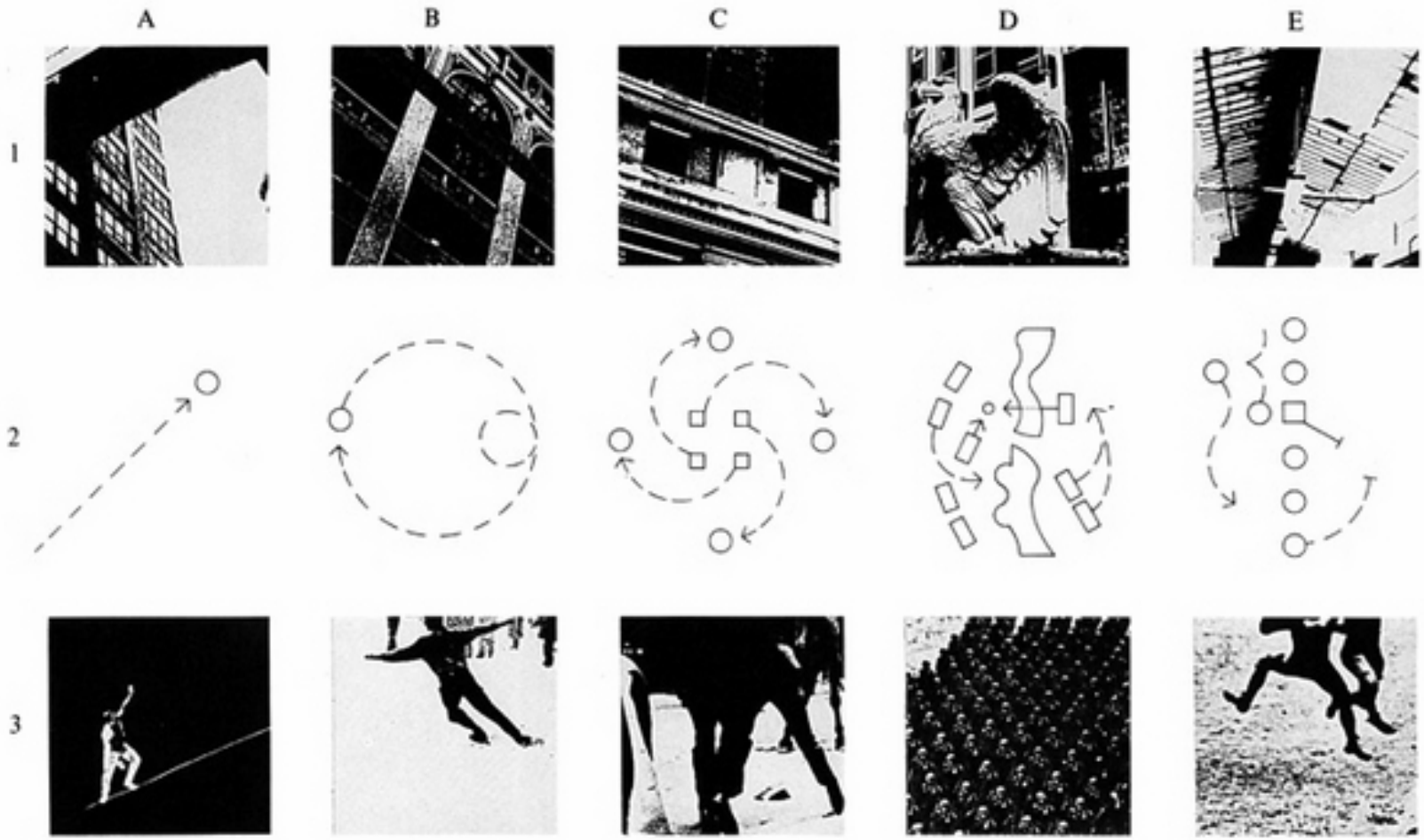
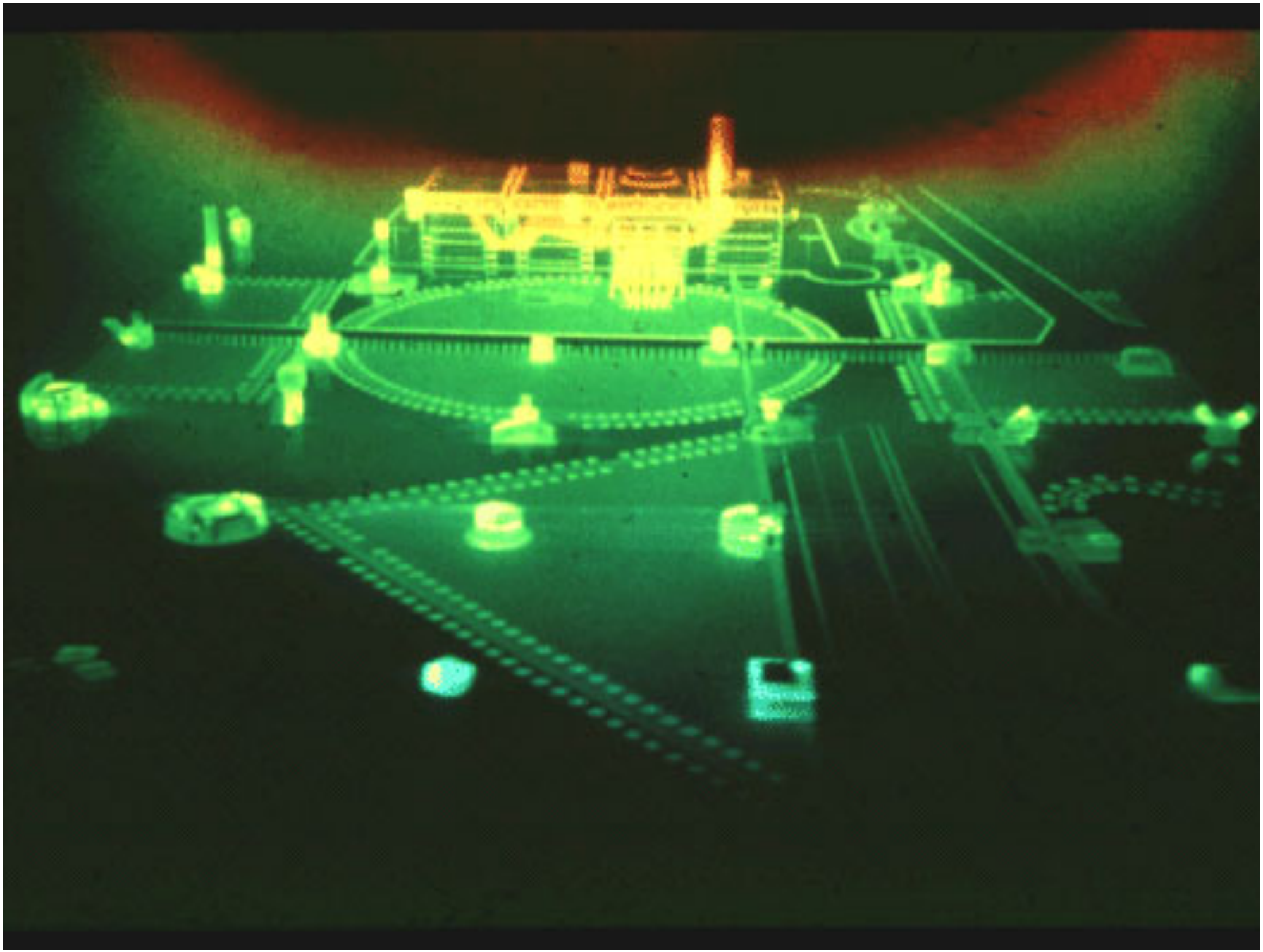
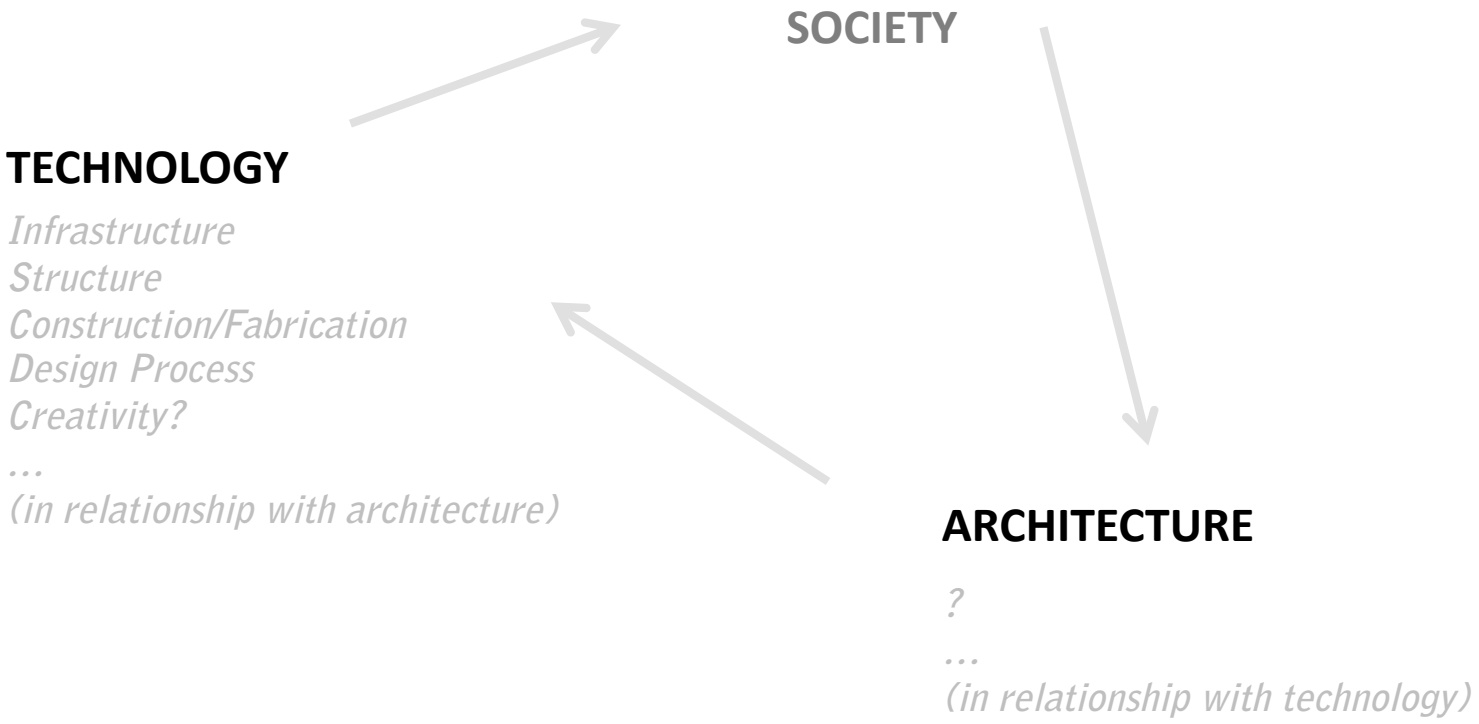


Frame, Sequence

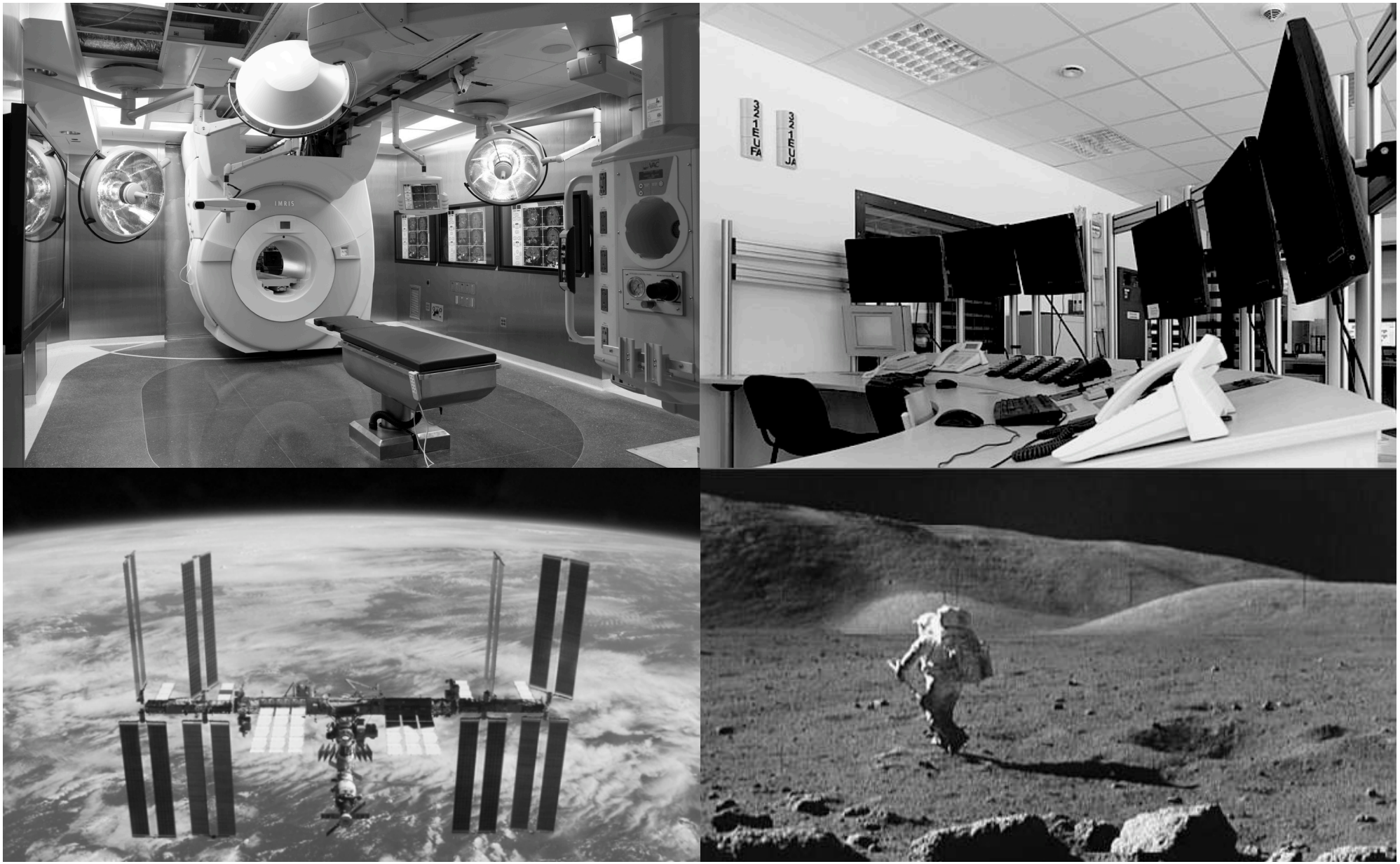
4. **Built Theory** > Theoretical Building

Can the pragmatism of building theory practice be allied with the analytic rigor of concepts?





" We are not dealing anymore with the technology of construction, but with the construction of technology. by Paul Virilio "



Deregulation of meaning, programmed by strategy of disjunction ?

Still Dodgy Statements on Architecture

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1. Architecture should be considered, neither as extension of man nor dissociated body.
2. Large-scale architecture is much more territorial than physical, although we lost dimension and scale.
3. Criteria for accessibility can no longer be based on human body or its scale and activity.
4. ~~In an ideal world~~, architecture is able to disappear.
5. There is no utopia ~~as long as architecture can observe or trigger human movement.~~
6. ~~Programmatic process of architecture should rarely have an error, and that barely.~~
7. Individual re-interpretation of architecture is useless, so does context.
8. Using state-of-the-art technology merely produces state-of-the-technology architecture.
9. ~~Technology cannot inhabit architecture.~~