



# KIT-FIT

## A TEACHING/RESEARCH INNOVATION PLATFORM

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# Basic Kit-Fit assumptions

- Tenants / Occupants preferences differ and change
- Developers can benefit deferring TI work until the specific occupancy of each demised space is known
- Contractors can benefit by avoiding management and coordination conflicts, and by shortened production time per unit



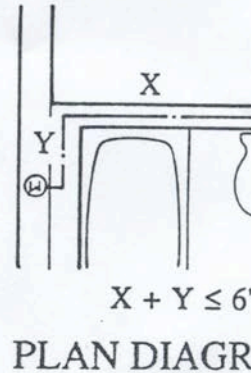
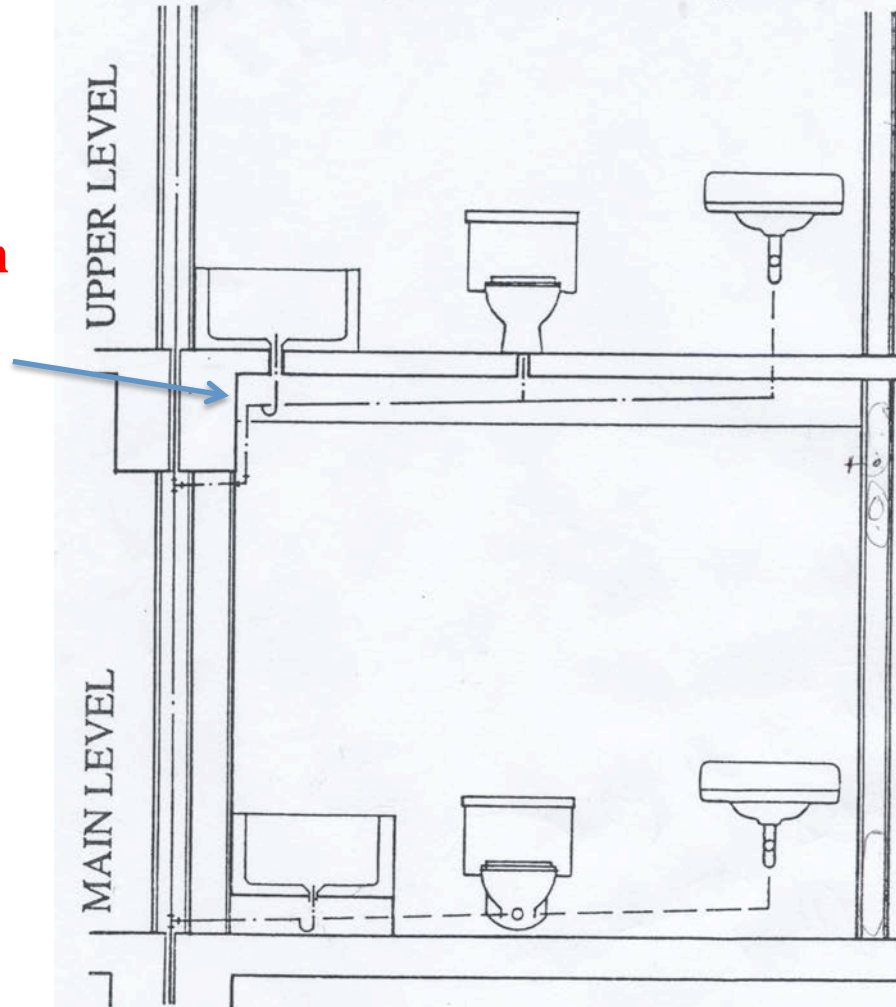
**A SOCIO-ECONOMIC PRINCIPLE:**

**Everyone benefits when each occupant has a clear domain of its own**

# TECHNICAL PRINCIPLE:

Pipe penetrations through the floor into another tenant space can and should be avoided

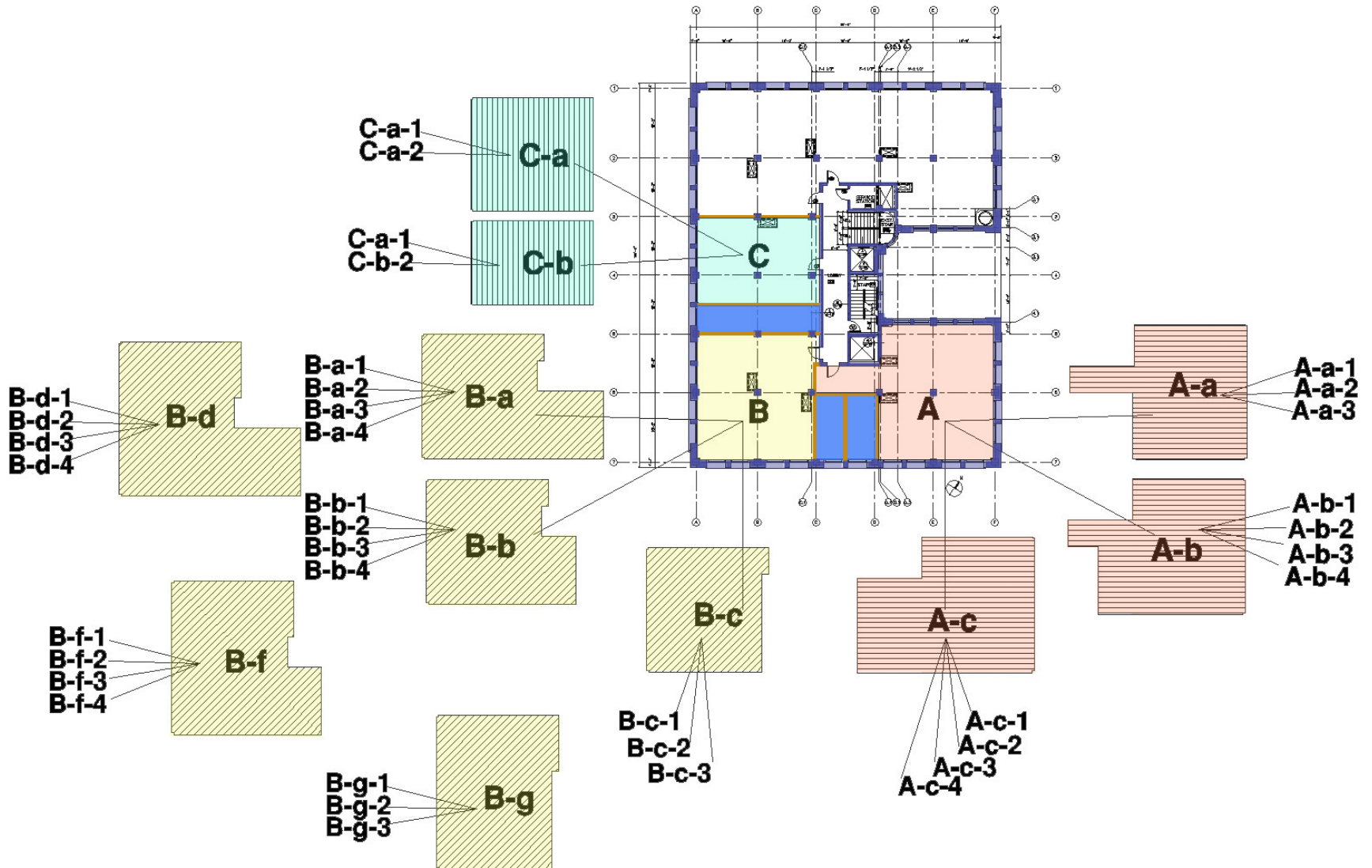
Tub/Shower: no special requirements for fixture type or location, drain lines are sloped within depth of steel structure  
Water Closet: no special requirements for fixture type or location  
Sink/Lavatory: no special requirements for fixture type or location



Tub/Shower: raised platform required for clearance of drain trap and the slope of the drain line  
Water Closet: rear discharge/wall mounted fixture required, location limited in plan distance from waste line  
Sink/Lavatory: no special requirements for fixture type or location

PLUMBING FIXTURE DIAGRAM



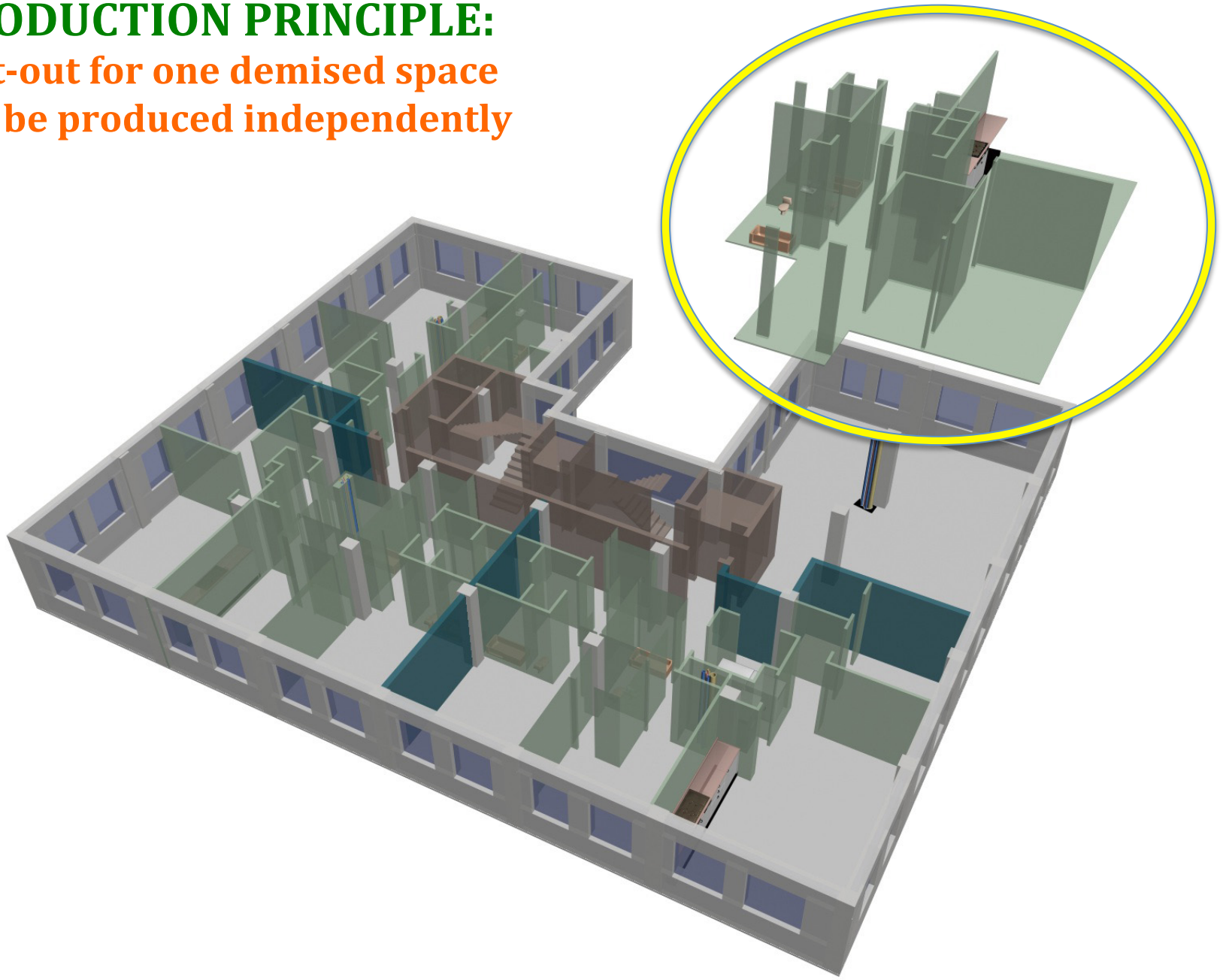


## ARCHITECTURAL PRINCIPLE:

Capacity analysis enables decision flexibility and choice

## PRODUCTION PRINCIPLE:

A fit-out for one demised space can be produced independently

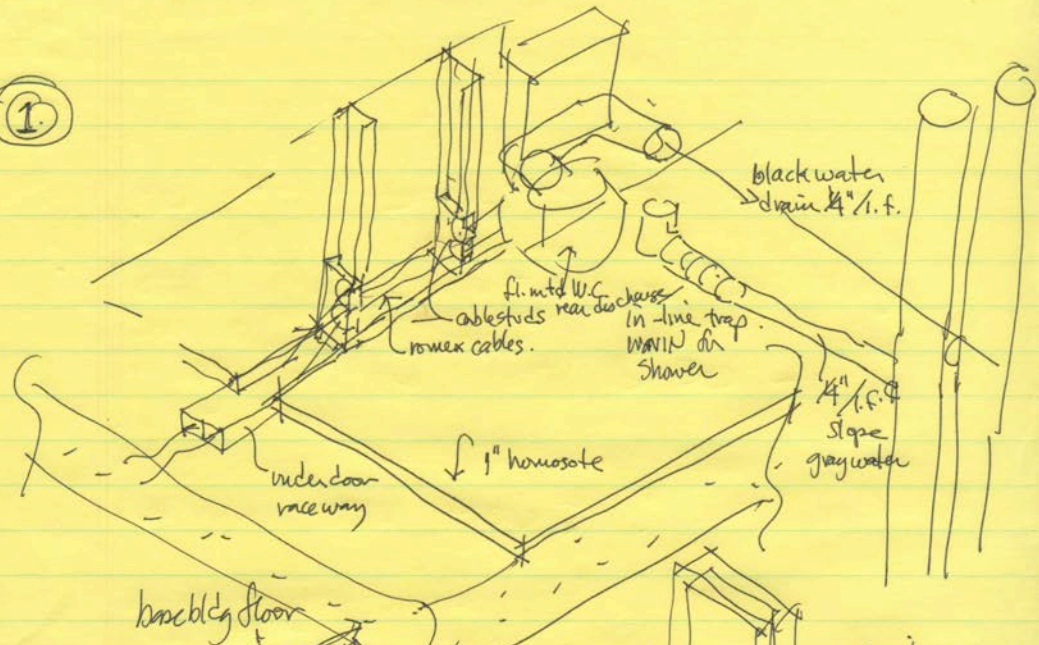




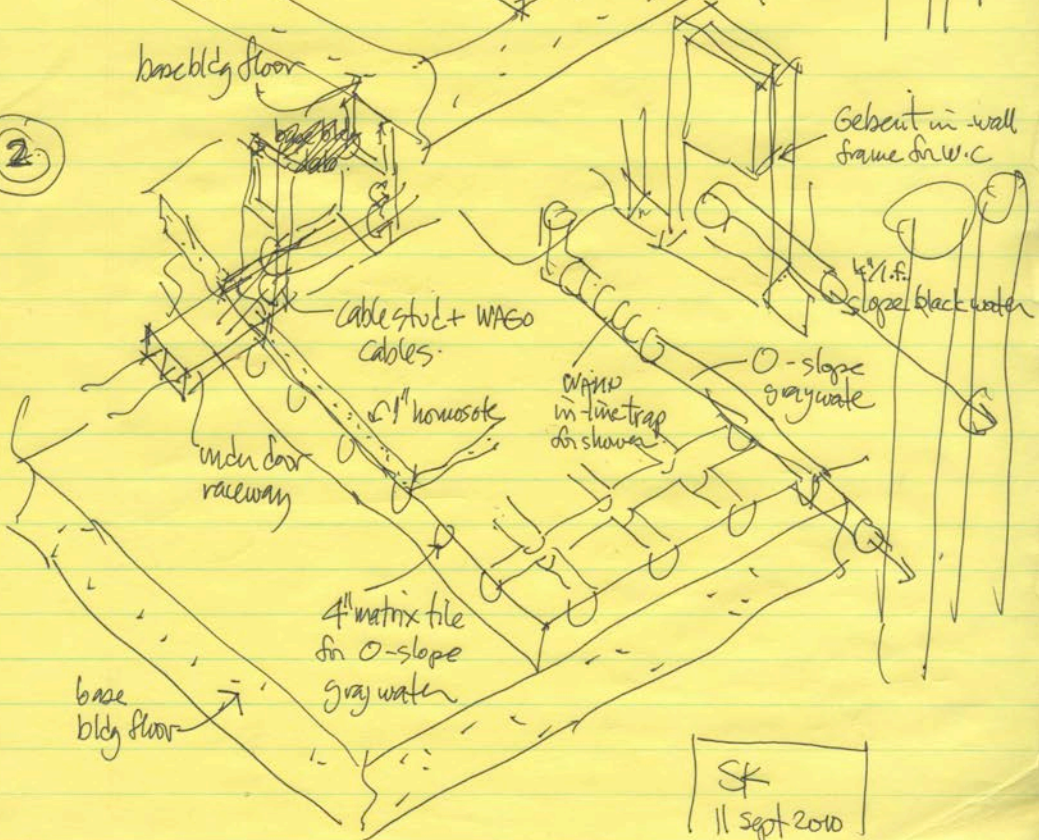
# **A Research / Teaching Program**



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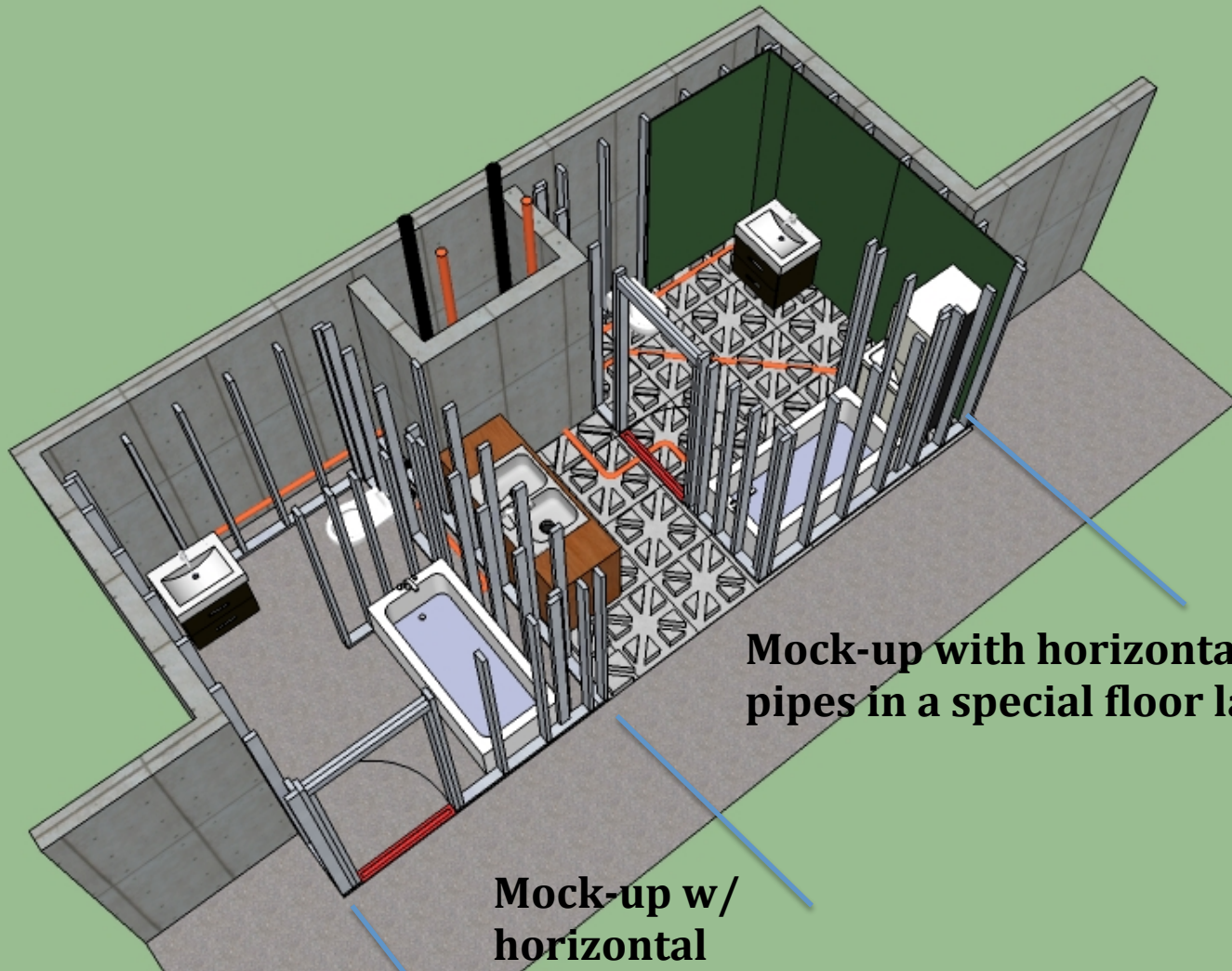


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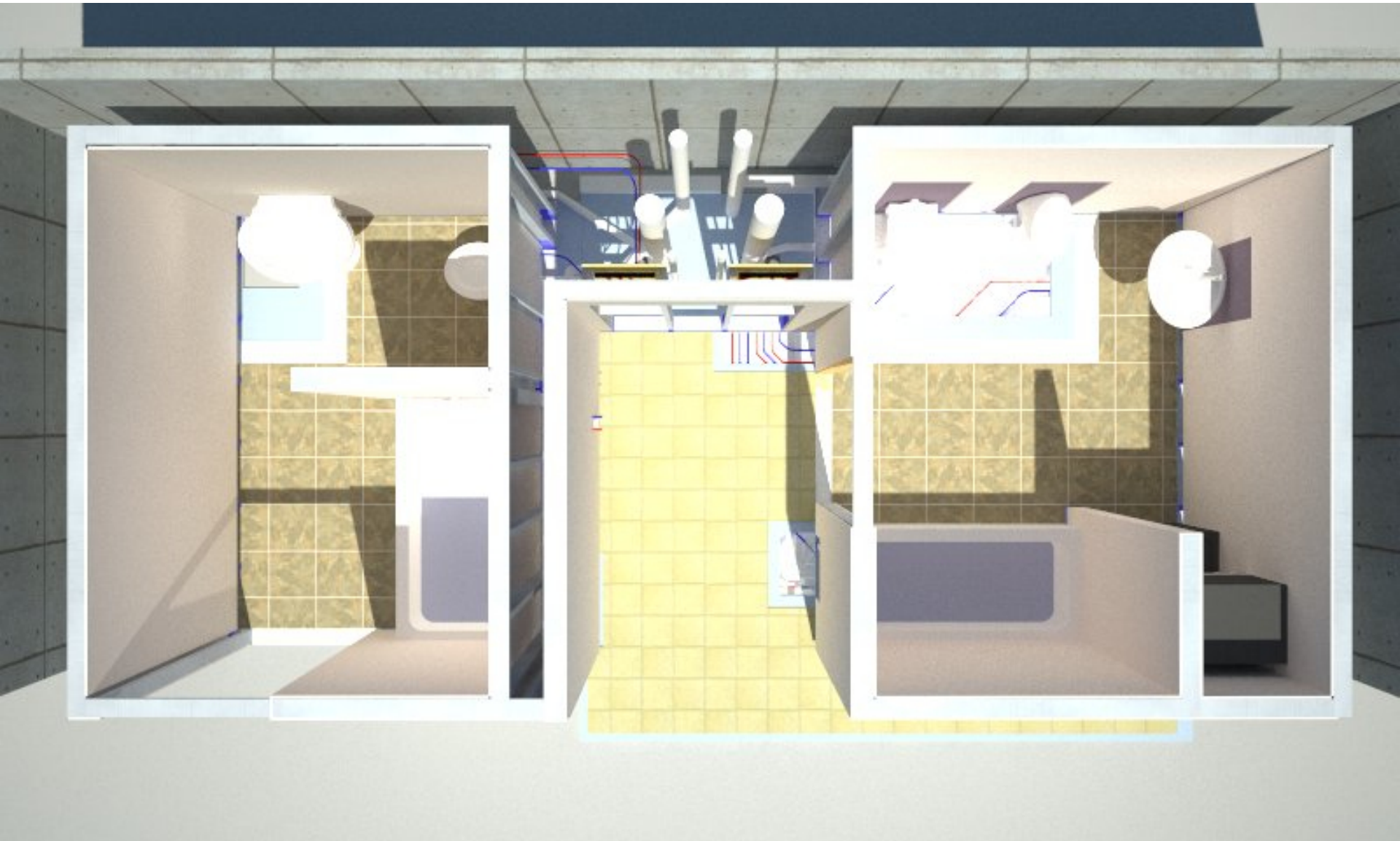
**Mock-up with horizontal drain pipes in a special floor layer**

**Mock-up w/  
horizontal  
drain pipes  
in chase walls**

**Two side-by-side mock-ups showing two basic piping strategies + other solutions**



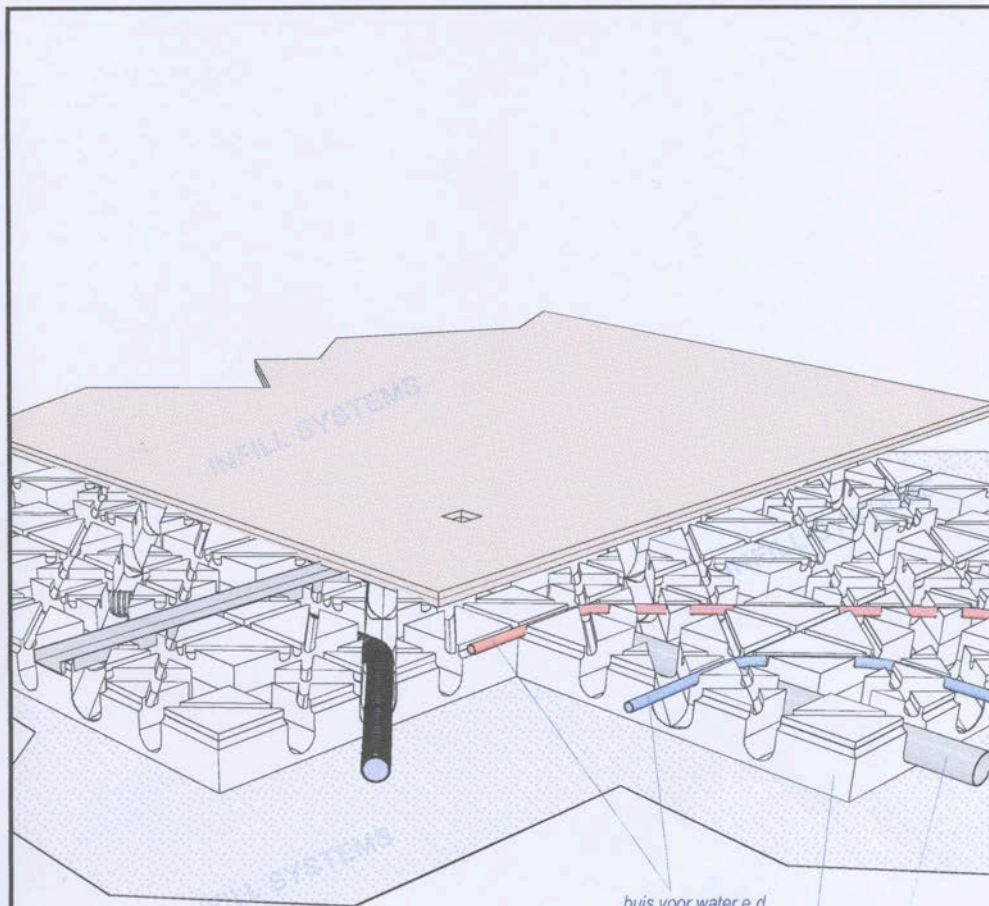




# Technical Assumptions

1. Avoid floor penetrations at plumbing fixtures
2. Provide enhanced acoustical separation between floors
3. Speed on-site work
4. Use “open systems” design and construction methods that allow easier changes later





buis voor water e.d.  
ø 16 mm

afvoerbuis ø 50 mm

*in matrixtegel gesneden  
gootprofiel voor doorvoer  
kabels bij (deur)opening  
in wand.  
op deze plek geen kruisende  
leidingen in matrixtegel*

*2 x 12,5mm vezeigewapende  
vloerplaat*

*matrixtegel 2 600x600 mm en 85 mm dik  
met zwevende vloerfunctie,  
ligt op vlakke constructievloer*



INFILL SYSTEMS B.V.

oude delft 151 2611 ha delft, tel. 015 - 214 72 59

*matrixtegel met leidingen en vloerplaat 2*

*alle rechten voorbehouden*

## TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION of the MATRIX TILE

The Matrix tile is a solid material applied on top of the leveled base building floor. Grooves of various sizes and located in several horizontal “zones” allow the secure placement of lines or conduits for various services, such as hot and cold water lines, gray-water drain lines (0-slope), hydronic heating pipes to radiators, floor heating, flat ventilation ducts, gas pipes and so on. This “tile” is covered after lines and conduits are installed.

Of particular significance is the opportunity to install 0-slope drain lines, in specific relation to the Matrix Tile, a method certified by KOMO-KIWA in 2009.







Black water vertical plumbing in shaft

Grey water vertical plumbing in shaft

Single Matrix Tile

Cold wa

Hot wa

Zero-slo  
water pl

Matrix tiles

Base-building concrete  
floor below matrix tiles



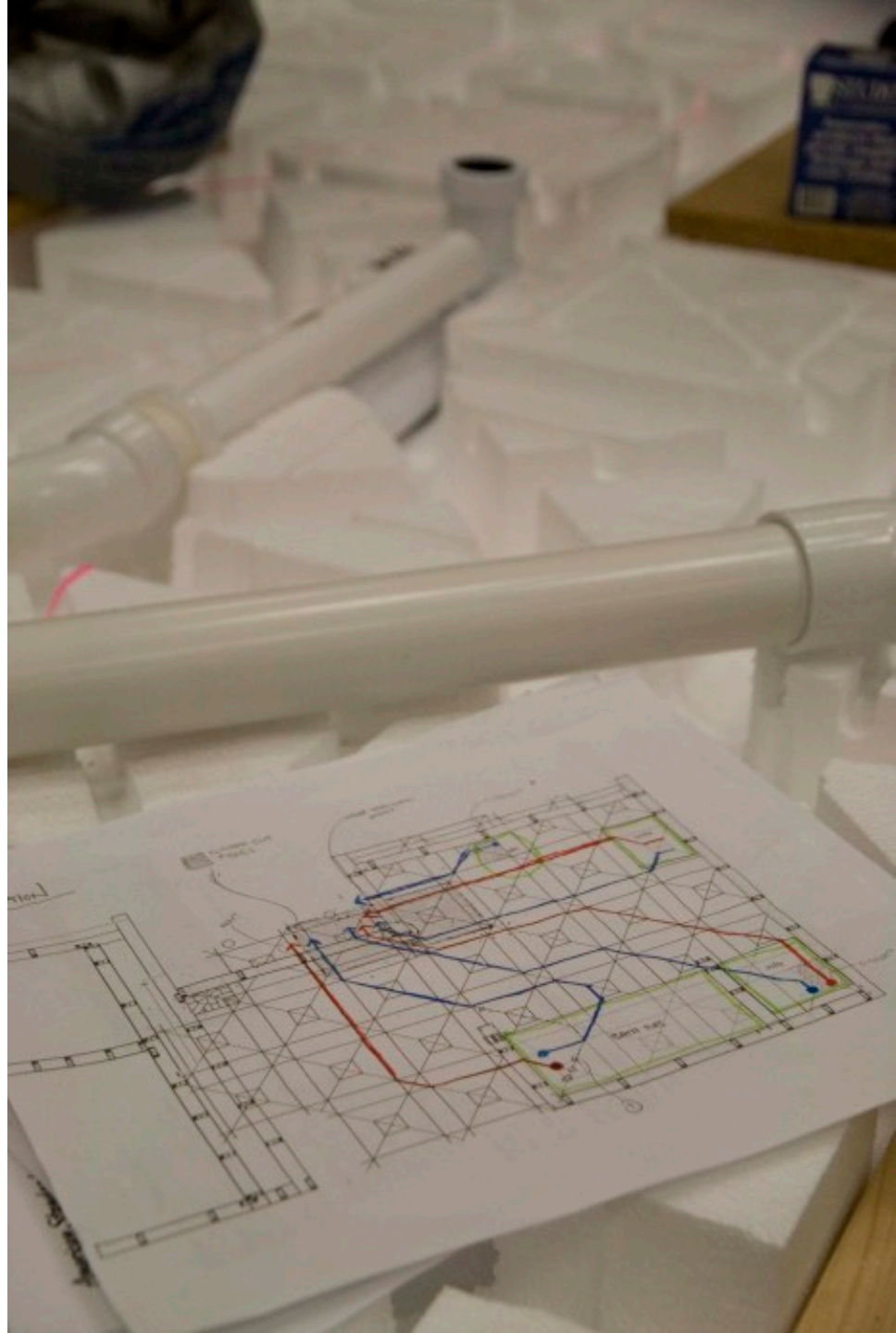


**A product for positioning horizontal piping and ducts all within a demised space (avoiding floor penetrations at fixtures)**







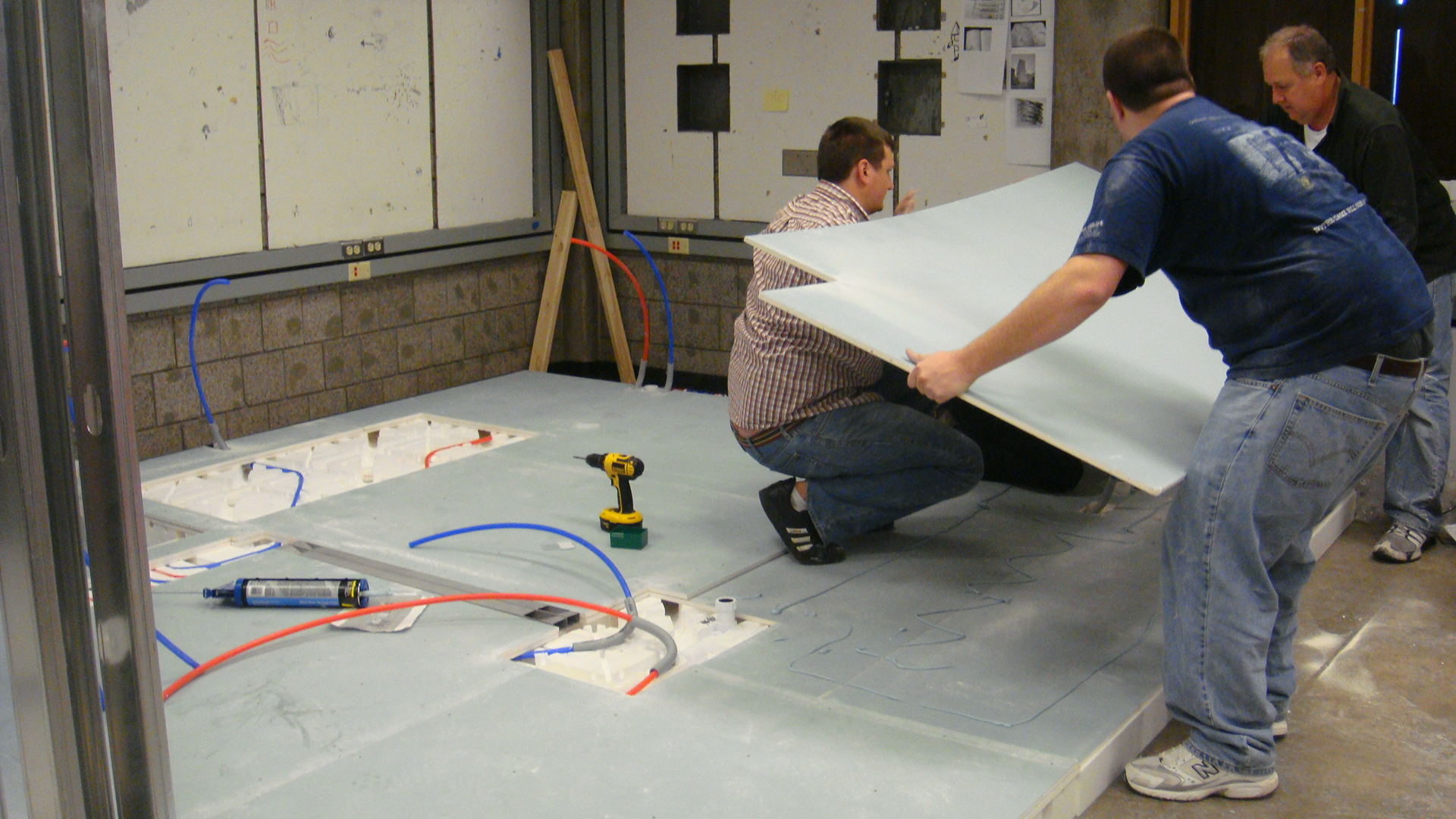




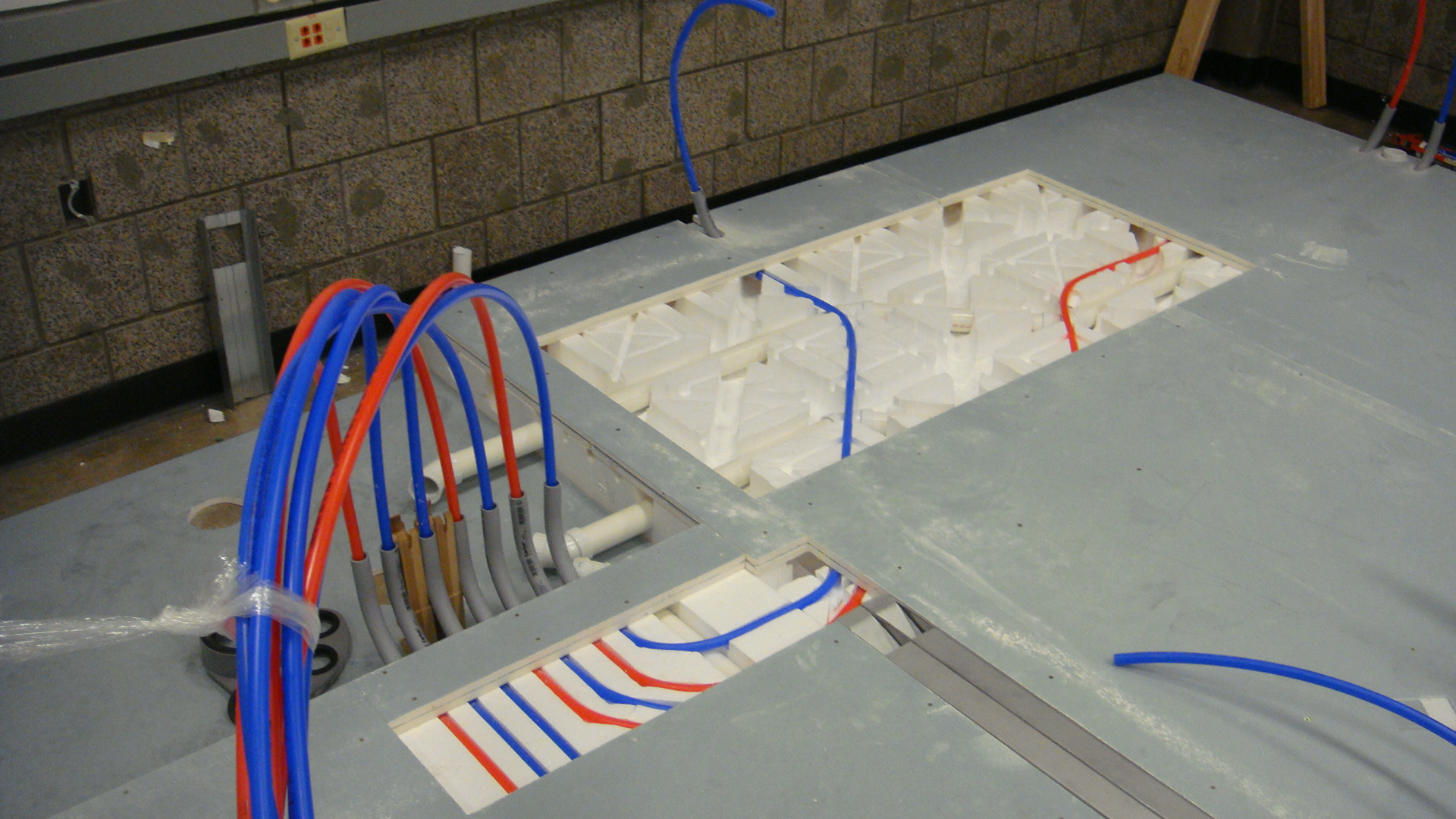






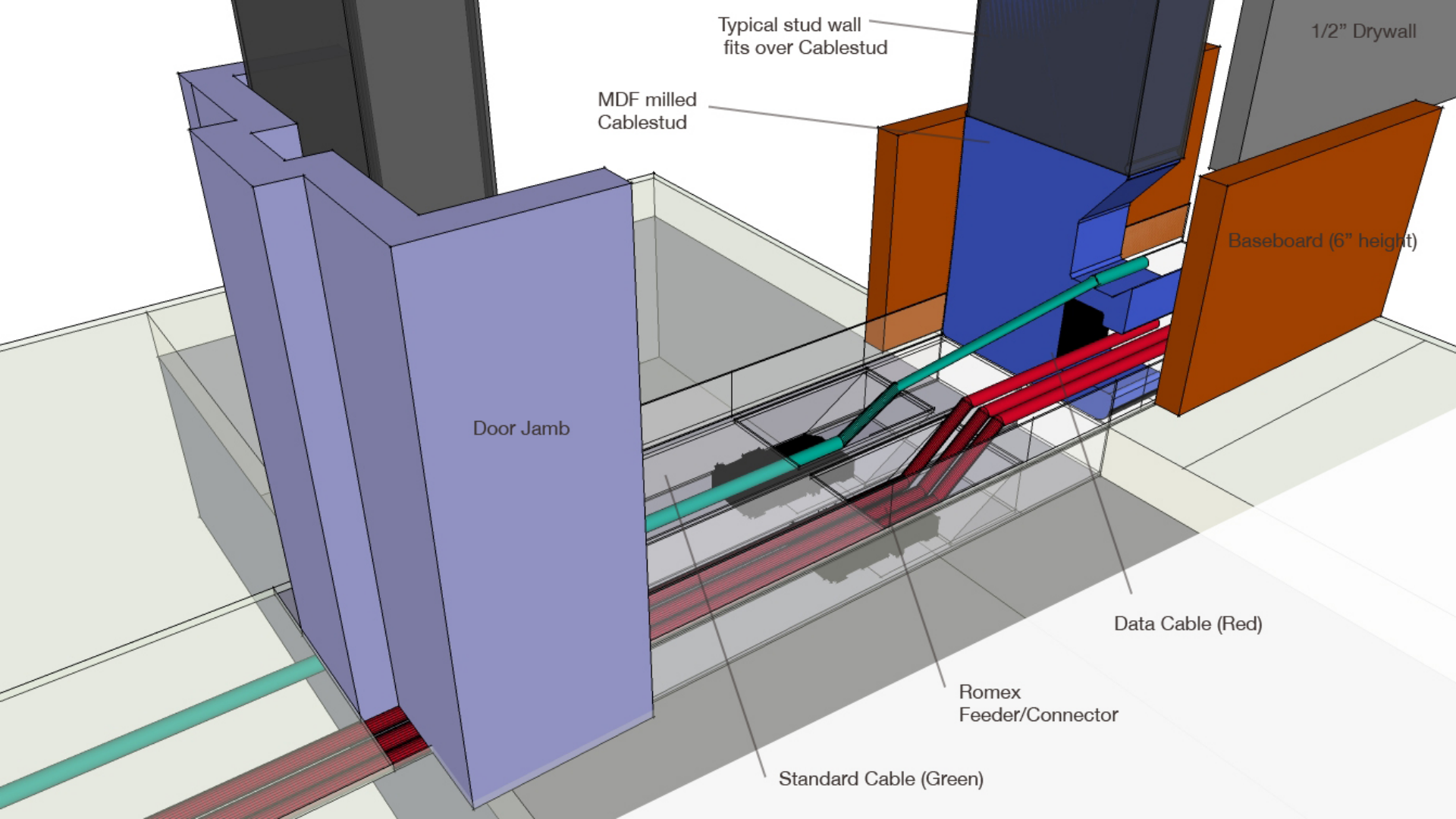














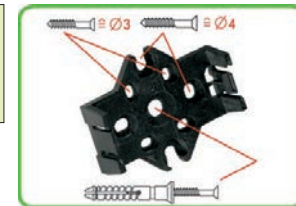
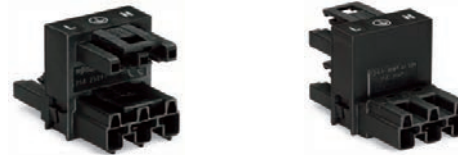






## h-distribution connectors, 3 poles

250 V/4 kV/3 25 A  WINTA CCA	250 V/4 kV/3 25 A  WINTA CCA
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The mounting plates for distribution connector can be mounted using commercially available screws or nail-drive anchors.

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Color	Item no.	Pack. unit	Color	Item no.	Pack. unit
h-distribution connector, bi-directional, plug - socket / socket			h-distribution connector, unidirectional, plug / socket - socket		
black	770-633	● 50	black	770-634	● 50
white	770-683	○ 50	white	770-684	○ 50
			red *	770-934	● 50
for "flying leads", with 3. locking lever			for "flying leads", with 3. locking lever		
black	770-635	● 50	black	770-636	● 50
white	770-685	○ 50	white	770-686	○ 50
			red *	770-936	● 50
* red available IV. quarter 2006					
black	770-623	25	black	770-623	25
white	770-673	25	white	770-673	25
black	770-201	100	black	770-201	100
white	770-221	100	white	770-221	100



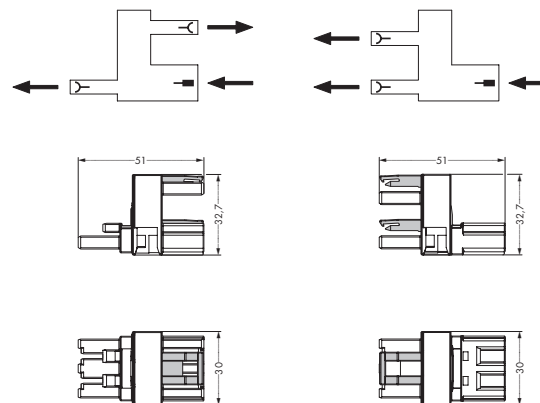
The distribution connectors are latched when mounted on the mounting plate.



All distributor connections are locked and protected against accidental disconnection directly after mating. Locking of any connection is released using a screwdriver, even if all connections are in use.



To release the distribution connector, unlock the latch using a screwdriver.



WINSTA® - The perfect connection!



















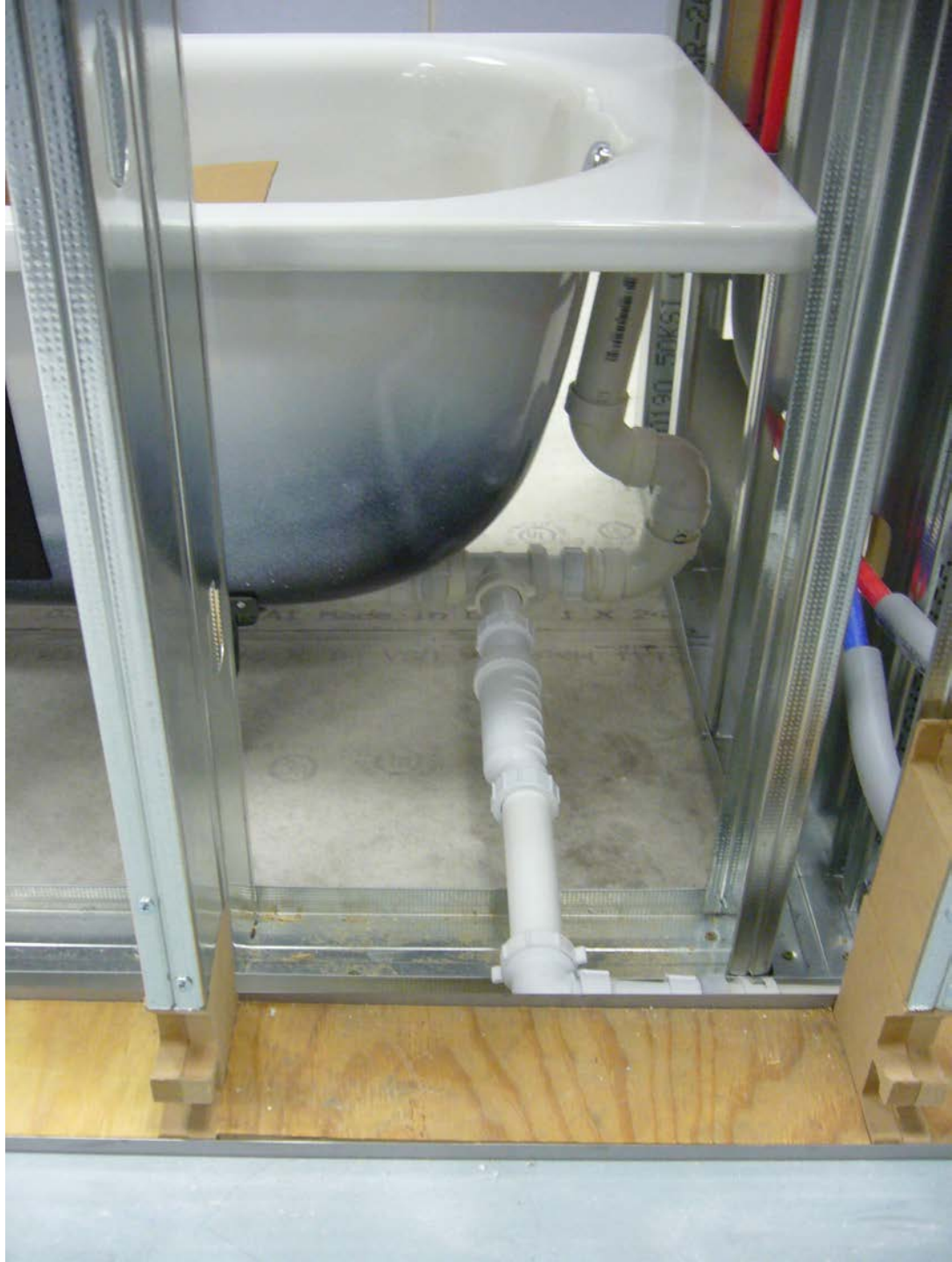
**Hep<sub>v</sub>O is a unique hygienic self sealing waste valve that prevents the escape of foul sewer air from waste discharge systems**

- Hep<sub>v</sub>O actively maintains pressure equilibrium in soil and waste systems
- It opens under the water pressure of an appliance emptying and closed to form a tight seal after discharging under normal atmospheric conditions
- It performs the same function as a traditional water seal trap but unlike a trap it continues to
  - provide a reliable seal under all conditions
  - is not affected by evaporation, syphonage
  - or freezing conditions













# caroma®



## Sydney Smart Dual Flush Back Outlet Closet Bowl.

Vitreous China 1.28/0.8  
gal (4.8/3 ltr) Dual Flush  
High Efficiency (HET),  
Two Piece Washdown  
Toilet.

### PLUMBERS INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE INSTALLATION

#### IMPORTANT:

Wax rings must not be used when installing this toilet bowl, as detailed in **Fig. 2**. A universal foam gasket for wall-mounted toilets is recommended.

#### Working Water Pressure:

USA & Canada: Recommended working water pressure is 20-80psi (140-550Kpa).

#### Closet Bowl Fixing Procedure:

- 1- It is essential for the installation of the Sydney Smart back outlet two piece washdown toilet that the closet flange be accurately set out on the finished wall as detailed in **Fig. 3**.
- 2- Position 'T' bolts and foam ring onto closet flange, as detailed in **Fig. 4**.
- 3- Position rear outlet adaptor onto 'T' bolts and secure onto foam ring with nuts as detailed in **Fig. 5**.
- 4- Apply soap solution to the rear outlet adaptor rubber seal. Slide bowl into position, mark bowl fixing hole positions, remove the bowl and drill holes.
- 5- Ensure that the area around the closet bowl is clean and free from building material.
- 6- Slide the closet bowl in the rear outlet adaptor and secure closet bowl with suitable fasteners. (fixing not supplied), available separately.
- 7- It is recommended that a bead of acetic cured silicone caulking is applied fully around base of the closet bowl.
- 8- Remove any excess silicone caulking.

#### Tank Fixing Procedure:

- 1- Ensure the foam is fitted onto the tail piece on the underside of the tank as detailed in **Fig. 6**.

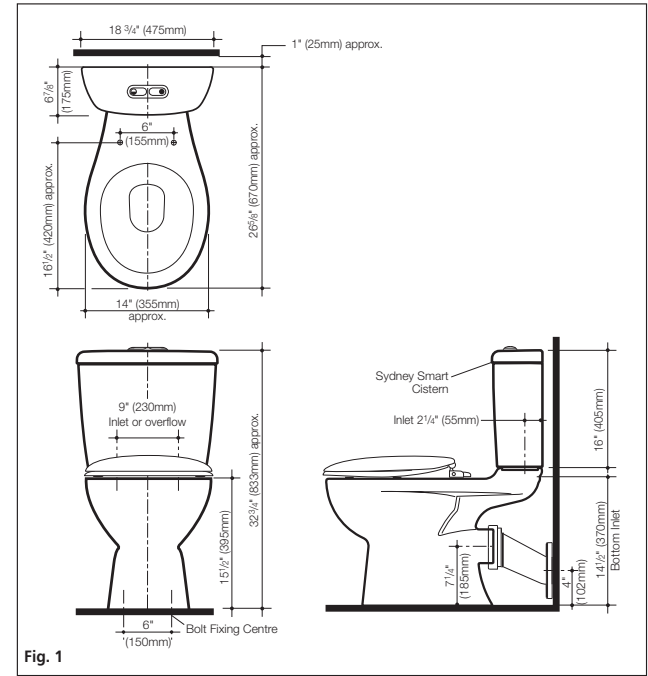


Fig. 1

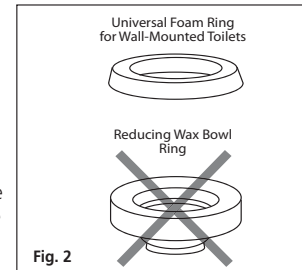


Fig. 2

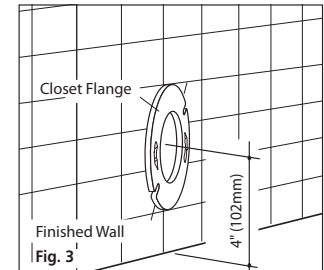


Fig. 3

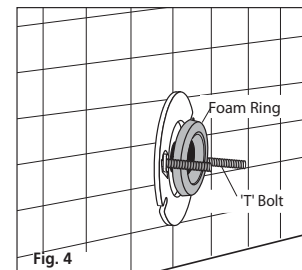


Fig. 4

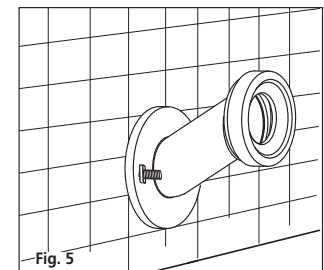


Fig. 5

(N) Non standard item. (Canada)











## **NEXT PHASES**

**Complete CODE and MARKET ANALYSIS**

**Launch CableStud and the Matrix-Tile system in the market**

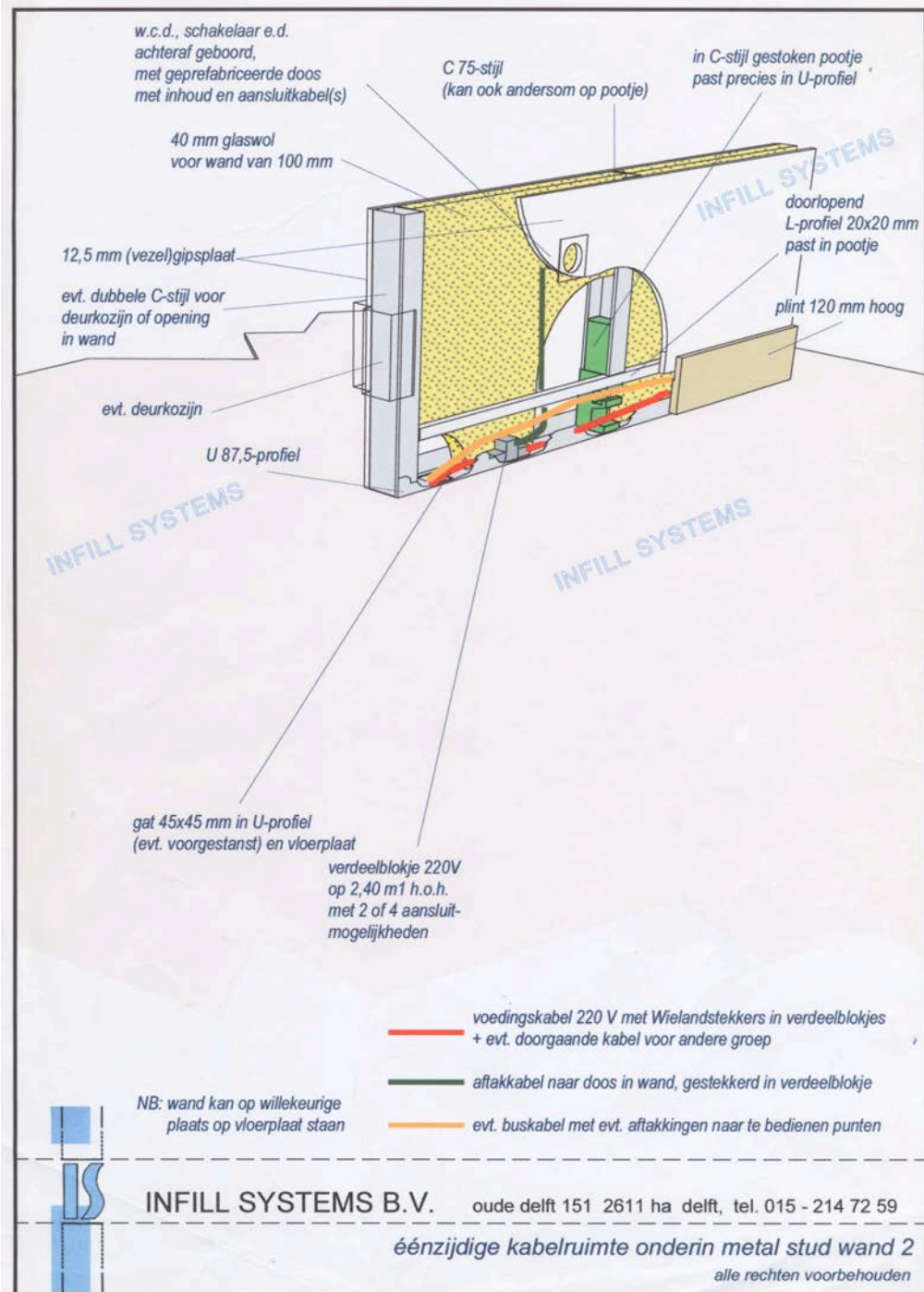
**Put KIT\_FIT as a complete design/build service into the market.**



# MORE INFORMATION ABOUT

## CableStud

This product creates flexibility within a non-loadbearing metal stud (or wood stud) wall - within demised spaces - for solution of electrical/low-voltage installations.

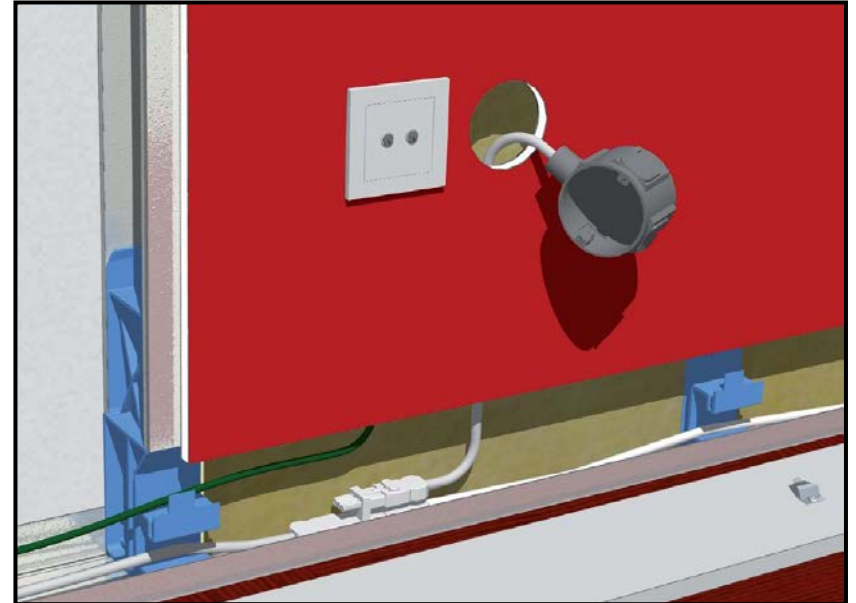




# Solving Wire Management problems



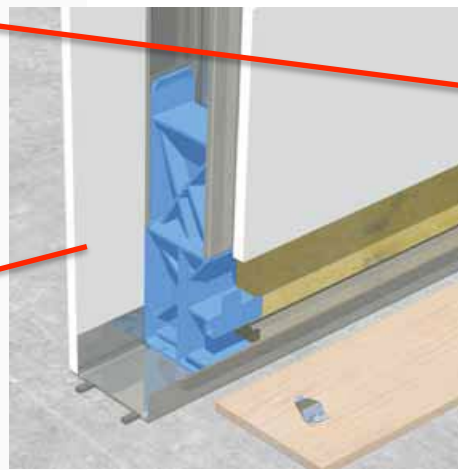
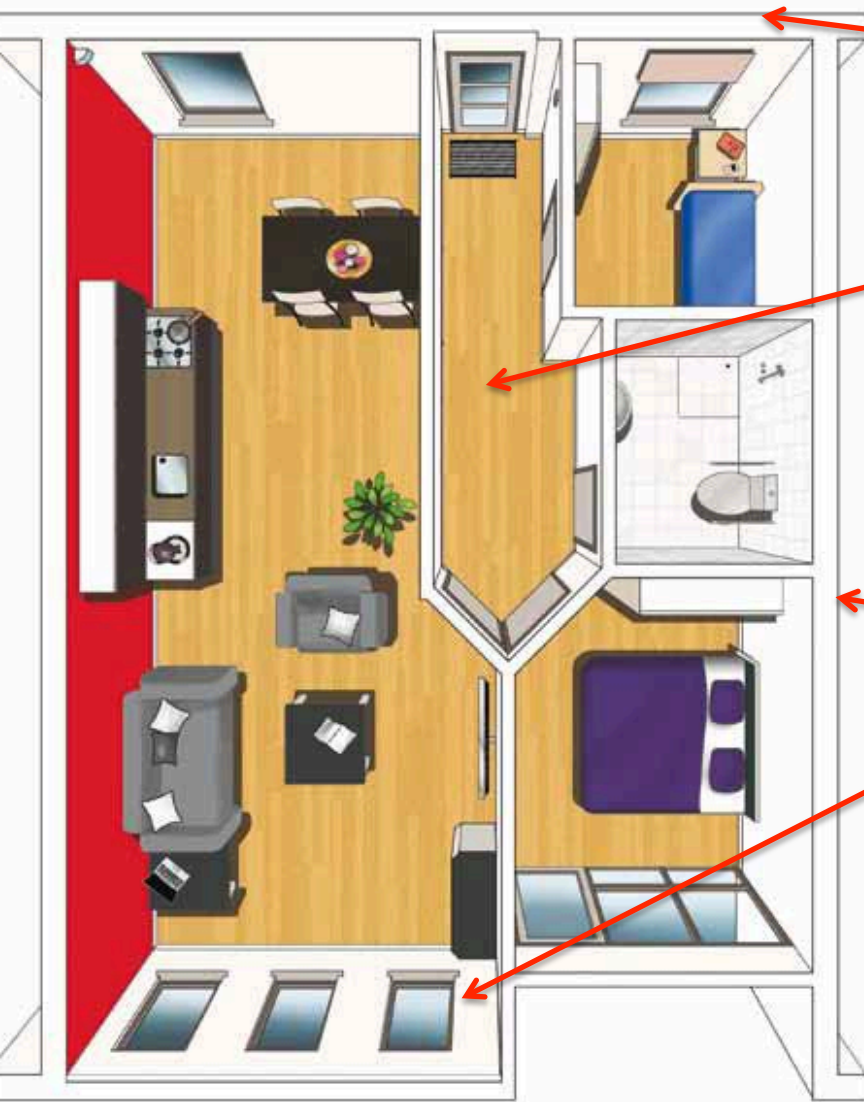
# VALUE PROPOSITION



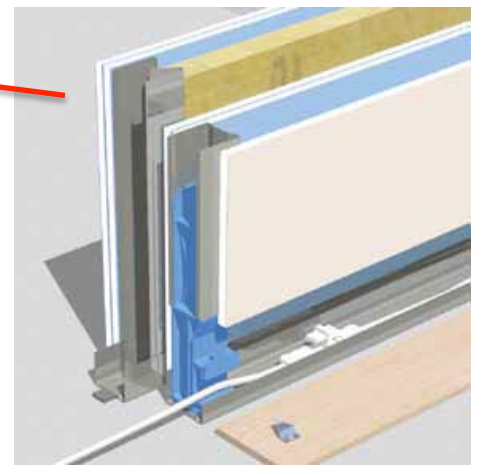
**CableStud can be delivered by a supplier already inserted in the studs, or inserted on-site.**

**The electrical installation is done in one operation after drywall is installed, avoiding multiple visits by the electrician.**

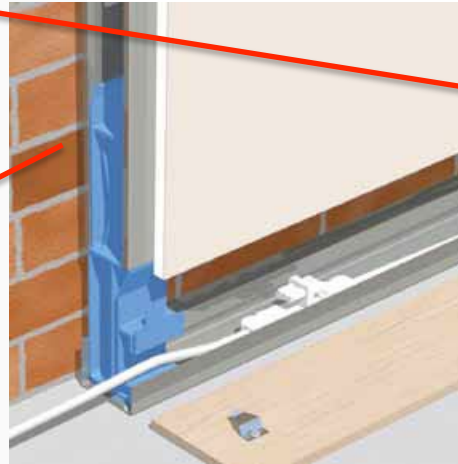




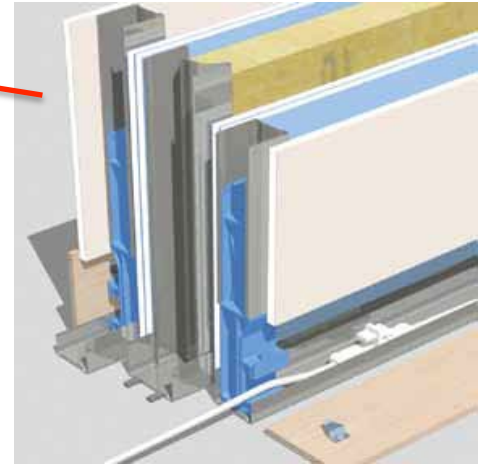
**Typical partition wall**



**Liner wall against fire rated corridor wall**



**Liner wall against exterior wall**



**Liner walls on both sides of a unit separation wall**

**CABLESTUD wall types to meet all conditions**





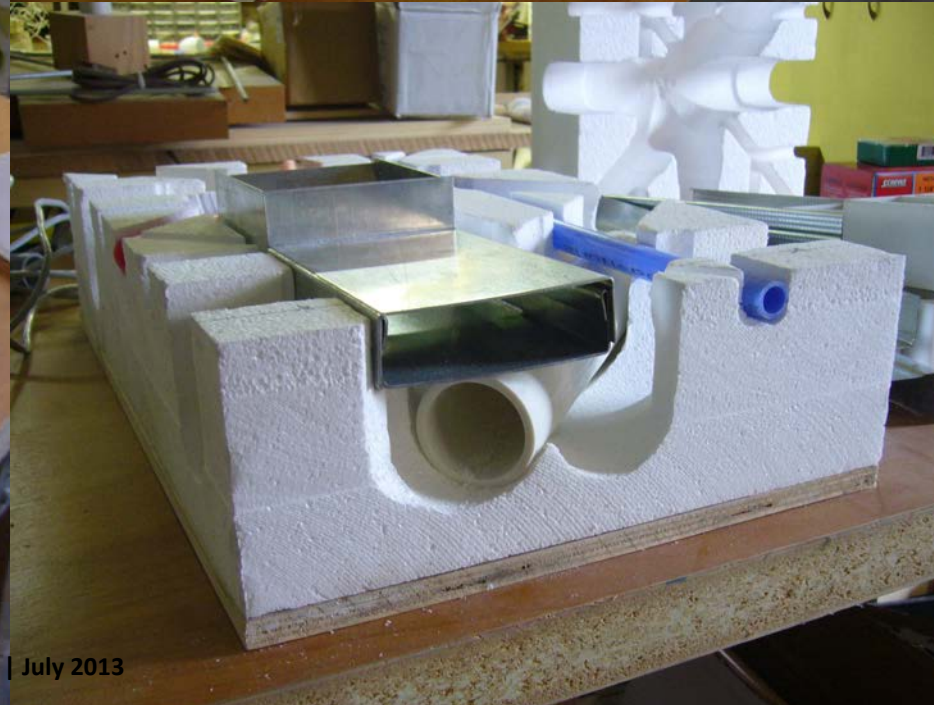
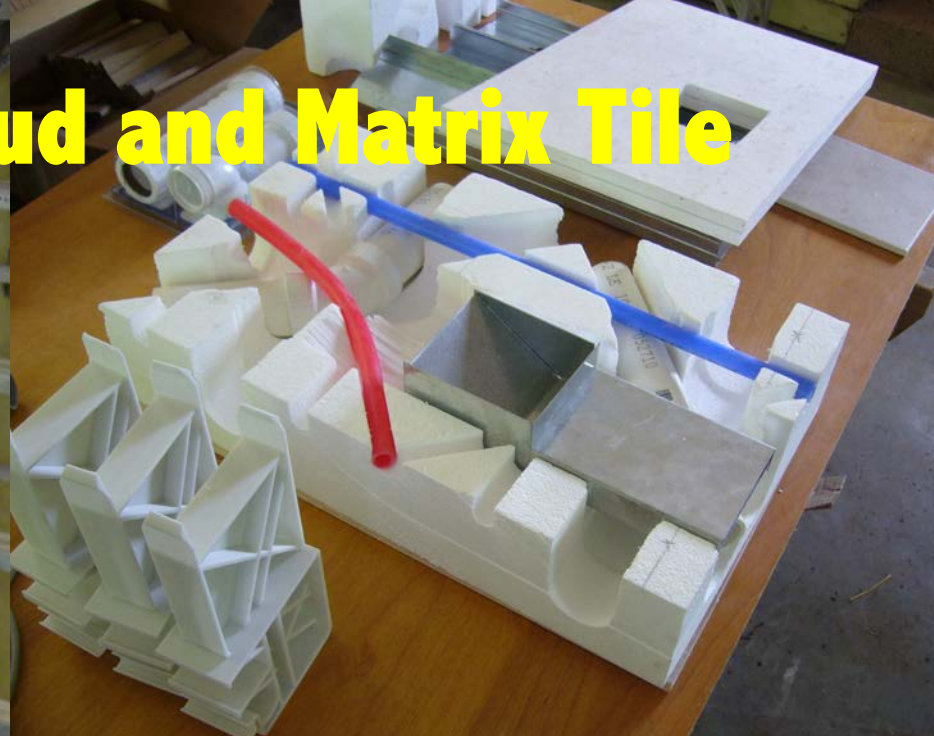
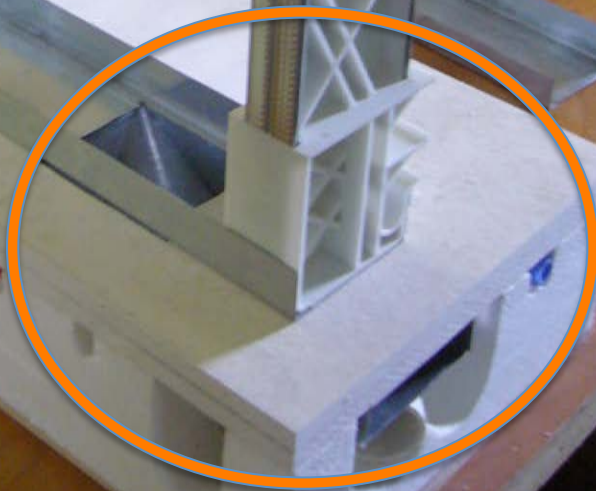
# CABLESTUD Installation





# Combining CableStud and Matrix Tile

**Under-  
door cable  
raceway**

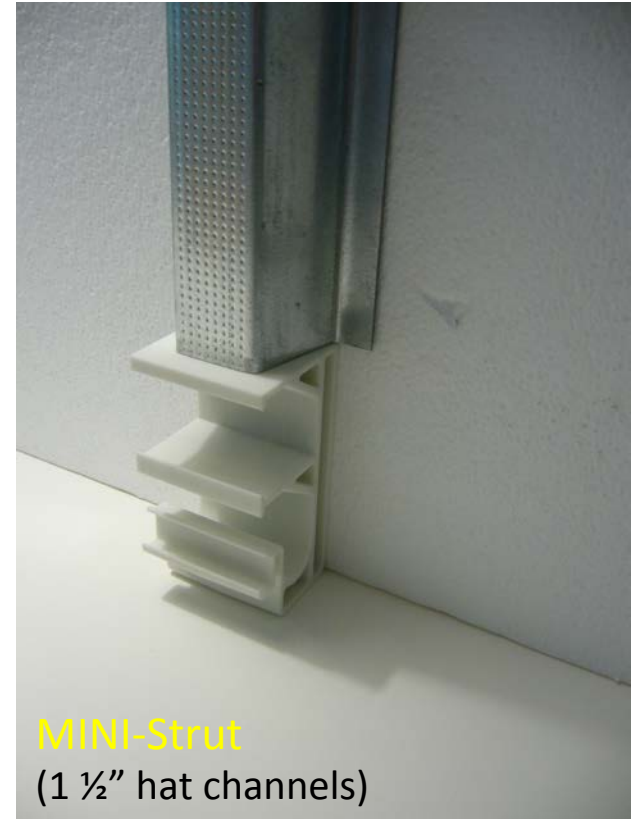




**MAXI-Strut**  
(3 5/8" studs)



**MIDI-Strut**  
(2 1/2" studs)



**MINI-Strut**  
(1 1/2" hat channels)

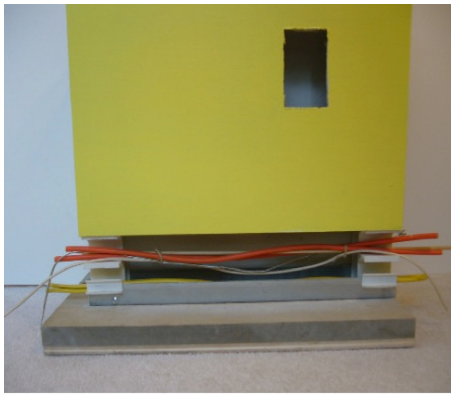


**MICRO-Strut**  
(useful in wood-frame construction and  
with 7/8" hat channels)

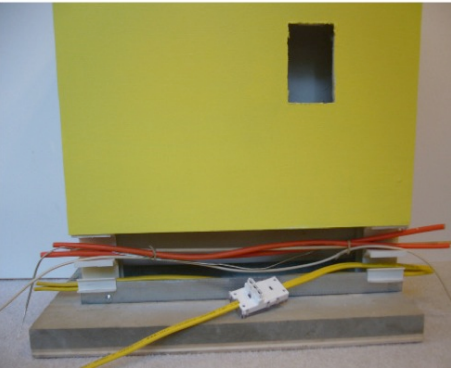


**Wood base clip**

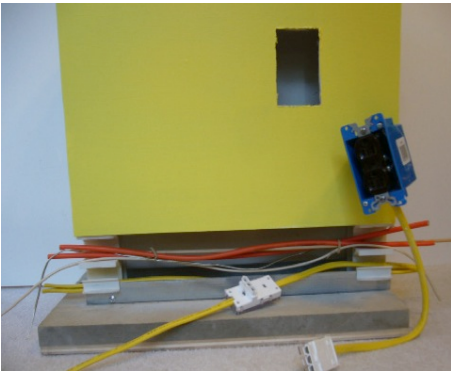




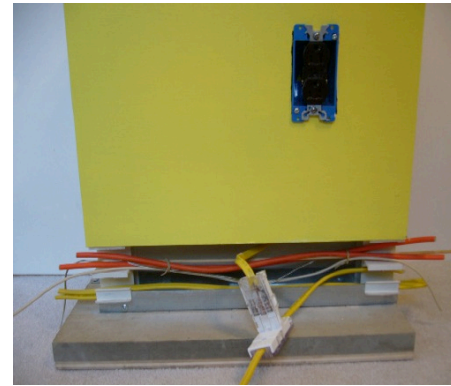
**Step 1:** remove baseboard; cut a hole in the drywall for the new device in desired position



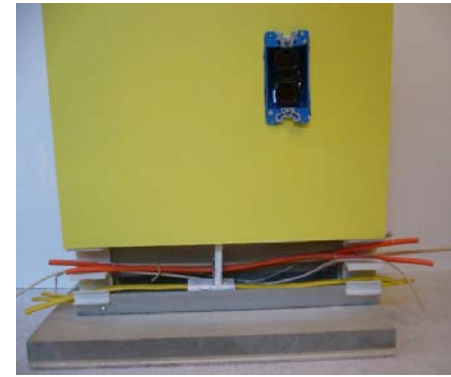
**Step 2:** select wire you want to tap into; install MOLEX self-contained power connector



**Step 3:** wire a "rework" box with NM cable and attach a MOLEX "tap" to the other end



**Step 4:** insert junction box and drop cable into space behind the baseboard and snap into the Molex connector



**Step 5:** push cable back into the space made available by the CableStud



**Step 5:** reinstall the baseboard, and install the device in the junction box

## CABLESTUD WIRING PROCESS

# Electrical/Data Installations

- Sockets and switches for power and data
- Wall mounted light fixtures
- Thermostats
- Alarms
- Tele-medicine

**CableStud is an “open” system, accommodating several wiring and devise systems (including Romex and MC cables), to meet varying code situations and customer preferences.**

# Primary Advantages

- **Flexibility in the building process:**

- Quick adaptations are possible during the building process.
- End-users can select socket and switch locations just before final installation.
- Less coordination is needed: electrical installer will be on site less frequently (simplified building process).
- Cables and outlets can be installed after gypsum board is installed.

- **Flexibility in use of the space:**

- Allows for quick (and much less expensive) adaptation to new requirements.
- Adaptation without ripping open the wall and destroying finishes.
- No visible cables.
- Usable for both data and electrical cables.



# Sales and Pricing

- Sale of 100,000 units per year is expected in the Netherlands (additional sales expected in Germany, France, Italy, etc). GYPROC has an exclusive license in the European Community.
- An average apartment will use approximately 125 Cablestuds, adding perhaps \$600 (materials + labor).

## **JUSTIFICATION OF EXTRA COST:**

- Use of Cablestud reduces electrician costs by up to 50% during initial installation (electrician comes to the site once).
- Use of Cablestud significantly reduces later electrician costs when changes are made (average cost of moving one outlet averages \$125.00).

# **WHO BENEFITS**

**Developers/Project investors**

**Contractors/Installers**

**Inhabitants/Users**

# **APPLICATIONS**

**New construction**

**Adaptive reuse of entire buildings**

**One-unit-at-a-time renovation projects**

- **Residential projects (townhouse, multifamily)**
  - **Nursing homes**
  - **Office buildings**
  - **Medical offices**
- **Commercial and retail tenant spaces**

# Conclusions

- **CableStud** is now ready to be introduced into the US market, after passing ASTM fire tests
- **Matrix tile system** is being examined for code compliance
- **KIT\_FIT** as a complete design/build service can be implemented without code changes