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Highlights

What are the main findings?

- Generative AI in design studios induces a "Zero Order Thinking State" (ZOTS), causing severe structural unawareness among architecture students.
- The "Twin Houses" methodology, grounded in Cognitive Load Theory, successfully utilizes "Cognitive Friction" to counteract unbuildable AI hallucinations.

What are the implications of the main findings?

- Algorithmic architectural outputs must be deterministically validated through the "Technical Sealing" protocol via IFC 4.3 and Rule-Based Checking (RBC).
- Asynchronous AI-TPACK training models are essential for empowering instructors to guide students in producing norm-compliant, buildable BIM realities.

Abstract

Generative Artificial Intelligence (GenAI) is driving a fundamental paradigm shift in architectural design, transitioning from deterministic drafting to algorithmic curation. While the Architecture, Engineering, and Construction (AEC) sector rapidly adopts these tools, academic curricula face a critical "Techno-Instructional Void." This gap risks inducing a "Zero Order Thinking State" (ZOTS)—a cognitive passivity rooted in Cognitive Load Theory, where students uncritically accept unbuildable machine hallucinations. Developed through comprehensive preliminary consultations with academic colleagues and longitudinal studio observations, this study introduces the "Twin Houses" methodology and the "Technical Sealing" protocol. By enforcing "Cognitive Friction," the framework compels students to validate probabilistic GenAI outputs against deterministic physical laws (e.g., Blondel's Formula 2R + T = 63 cm) and safety norms. Crucially, Building Information Modeling (BIM) acts as an automated Proof-Assistant, utilizing visual programming APIs (Revit Dynamo, Allplan PythonParts) and IFC 4.3 data schemas for rigorous Rule-Based Checking (RBC). To confirm cross-border transferability and optimize the time-costs of curriculum integration via an asynchronous AI-TPACK module, the framework is currently undergoing verification interviews with a bilateral expert panel (n=8) from Germany and Türkiye. Ultimately, this framework provides a structured pedagogical approach, equipping instructors to guide students in transforming machine hallucinations into legally buildable, tectonic realities. Sample videos showcasing student works are available in the Supplementary Materials.

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1. Introduction: The Epistemological Mutation and Socio-Economic Context

The integration of Generative Artificial Intelligence (GenAI) into architectural design represents a fundamental shift in how designers work, conceptualized by Mario Carpo [1] as the "Second Digital Turn." To understand the magnitude of this shift, one must recognize the difference between previous technologies and GenAI. The first digital revolution of the 1990s utilized Computer-Aided Design (CAD) as a highly predictable, deterministic extension of the human hand—maintaining absolute authorship and geometric control within a mathematical Cartesian grid. Conversely, GenAI fundamentally severs the design act from intentional physical making. Architectural production is undergoing a mutation, transitioning from the haptic (touch-based) act of drafting to a process of prompting and curating outcomes within massive, unstructured algorithmic networks known as "Latent Spaces." In this new paradigm, designers no longer control every geometric coordinate; instead, they prompt algorithmic oracles, surrendering exact geometric control to probabilistic statistical models.

This shift in design thinking is unfolding concurrently with a severe global industrial and demographic crisis. As projections indicate that 68% of the global population will reside in cities by 2050, the construction sector faces an unprecedented demographic shift due to the imminent and mass retirement of the highly skilled Architecture, Engineering, and Construction (AEC) workforce [2,3]. Current forecasts show that approximately 41% of the skilled construction workforce in the United States, with similar proportions in Europe and Türkiye, will retire by 2031 [2]. For the AEC sector, this transition signifies the potential loss of the traditional "Master Craftsman" (Usta). Historically, the craftsman possessed the "embodied wisdom" and tacit, hands-on knowledge required to instantly recognize whether a drawn design was actually buildable and structurally sound on-site. The withdrawal of this intuitive human oversight creates a significant intellectual gap in the industry, mandating the implementation of a deterministic digital audit mechanism—termed "Technical Sealing"—to ensure the tectonic truth and constructability of AI-generated designs in the absence of traditional craftsmanship.

However, the success of such sweeping technological shifts is historically contingent upon institutional readiness. A poignant historical analogue is the early 20th-century "Einküchenhaus" (One-Kitchen House) movement; despite offering a highly efficient operational model, it failed because contemporary society and its institutions were culturally and operationally unprepared for such radical centralization [4]. Today, architectural academia faces a similar predicament. While the AEC industry rapidly adopts AI to enhance productivity, educational institutions remain entrenched in traditional, analog-centric paradigms, creating a dangerous "Techno-Instructional Void." From a pedagogical perspective, this void is severely exacerbated by the modalities of remote education, where physical isolation strips students of the shared, hands-on studio environment. In educational theory, this shared environment provides "Legitimate Peripheral Participation" (LPP) [5]—a process where novices learn by observing and interacting with experts in a physical space. Without the haptic context of LPP, and lacking the technical supervision of experienced instructors, students are left highly vulnerable to the visually seductive but structurally hollow "hallucinations" generated by AI.

1.1. Research Rationale: Ten Years of Pedagogical Observation

The core objective of this ongoing research—supported by project BAP 3286—is to propose an asynchronous Online Instructor Training Model designed to systematically bridge the "Techno-Instructional Void" existing between the rapid adoption of AI in the Architecture, Engineering, and Construction (AEC) sector and traditional academic methods. The framework presented here is synthesized from the author's decade-long field experience as a studio instructor, informed by insights gained as a scientific peer-reviewer for computational design communities (e.g., eCAADe). Observing both live studio practices and current algorithmic design literature, a recurring pattern of "Technological Dependency" was identified, where students increasingly prioritize retinal aesthetics (visually seductive imagery) over tectonic feasibility (structural and material reality). This

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longitudinal observation serves as the empirical diagnostic foundation for proposing the "Technical Sealing" protocol as a necessary digital audit mechanism.

By training instructors to act as "Socratic Auditors"—educators who demand structural proof rather than simply dispensing ready-made solutions—the proposed model seeks to elevate the student from a passive software operator into an "Architectural Conductor." Crucially, this manuscript does not present a hypothetical concept; rather, built upon comprehensive preliminary consultations with academic colleagues, it is currently undergoing formal verification. It outlines the theoretical design of a four-block AI-TPACK [22] training module, which is actively being audited by a bilateral panel of senior academic and industry experts (n=8) from Germany and Türkiye. Through this collaborative international verification, the research aims to establish a reliable methodology that transforms unbuildable AI "hallucinations" into goal-oriented, sustainable, and legally compliant construction realities.

1.2. Protocol Declaration and Research Scope

This manuscript establishes the formal technical and pedagogical protocol for the proposed AI-TPACK [22] instructor training model. Categorized as a Design and Development Research (DDR) Type 2 "Model Research" inquiry [14], this current stage of project BAP 3286 focuses strictly on the ◎Model Design◎ phase. DDR Type 2 is specifically chosen because it aims to produce validated, universally transferable instructional models rather than localized descriptive studies. Consequently, this phase provides a comprehensive theoretical artifact (blueprint) that identifies cognitive and technical bottlenecks in the studio and clearly defines the ◎Technical Sealing◎ workflow.

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2. Theoretical Framework: Ontological Threats and Cognitive Realities

To effectively conceptualize the integration of Generative AI (GenAI) into architectural pedagogy, this proposed framework examines the current technological disruption across three interconnected dimensions: the cognitive paralysis of the individual student, the phenomenological detachment from physical material resistance, and the structural transformation of the design studio's internal agency.

2.1. The AI De-skilling Paradox and the Zero Order Thinking State (ZOTS)

The primary cognitive threat posed by the rapid automation of the design process is encapsulated in the "AI De-skilling Paradox" [6]. For the Architecture, Engineering, and Construction (AEC) industry, this phenomenon identifies a critical and dangerous inverse relationship: as intelligent systems exponentially elevate the "aesthetic ceiling"—the speed and visual quality of design outputs—they simultaneously erode the "competence floor," which comprises the designer's foundational problem-solving expertise, structural awareness, and spatial reasoning. In the author's ten years of field experience teaching CAD (Allplan/Revit) and architectural design studios, this decoupling of visual production from structural comprehension has been consistently observed as a precursor to a condition defined in this study as the "Zero Order Thinking State" (ZOTS) [7].

ZOTS represents a state of severe cognitive passivity where students, acting as mere software operators, accept probabilistic, machine-generated outputs as definitive, buildable architectural realities without subjecting them to constructive or normative filtration. A quintessential manifestation of this vulnerability, identified in countless studio sessions, is the "Floating Staircase Paradox." In this scenario, a student utilizes semantic text prompts to generate visually stunning spatial configurations—such as massive glass or cantilevered staircases—that entirely lack structural anchors, stringers, or logical load-bearing paths. The immense visual allure of such scenographic illusions systematically bypasses the student's "System 2" thinking—the slow, analytical, and effortful cognitive processing defined by Sweller's Cognitive Load Theory [8] as essential for deep learning and engineering comprehension.

2.2. Embodied Cognition and the Haptic Gap: The Crisis of Digital Materiality

The cognitive paralysis described in ZOTS is fundamentally rooted in sensory deprivation, a condition conceptualized within the framework of "Embodied Cognition." Architecture is inherently a physical act of translating natural forces—such as gravity, material resistance, and environmental scale—into buildable, safe spatial forms. According to Juhani Pallasmaa's "Thinking Hand" theory [9], the tactile interaction with physical matter is not merely a passive execution of mental commands; it is an active, constitutive thinking process that builds spatial intelligence and tectonic judgment.

The pedagogical shift from manual drafting and physical model-making (using materials like balsa wood, clay, or wire) to frictionless digital manipulation and AI text prompting has created a profound "Haptic Gap" [10]. This phenomenological disconnect is acutely exacerbated in remote education environments, where students are isolated from physical studio spaces. The author's observations in online studio modalities align directly with empirical data from Naseeb [11], indicating that 72% of students in remote architectural and civil engineering programs suffer from a significant lack of practical, hands-on experience.

Stripped of the physical resistance provided by traditional materials, students become increasingly susceptible to what is defined in this study as a profound lack of tectonic perception, or "Structural Unawareness" [12]. Borrowed from visual-spatial cognitive studies, this condition describes an inability to logically perceive physical weight, structural depth, or tectonic necessity when looking at a visually stunning but flat, two-dimensional AI image. For the construction industry, this educational gap aligns dangerously with the macroeconomic retirement of experienced master builders. Historically, the "embodied wisdom" and tacit, hands-on knowledge of on-site craftsmen served as a critical human safety net, instinctively correcting the structural errors of junior architects. With the imminent disappearance of this human audit mechanism, the uncorrected structural unawareness of the new generation poses a tangible risk to project integrity and safety. This industry reality mandates the systemic implementation of the proposed "Technical Sealing" protocol as a deterministic digital surrogate for the lost oversight of the master builder.

2.3. Designerly Activity Theory and the Transformation of Agency: AI as a Cultural Actor

To effectively address these severe cognitive and sensory deficits, this study adopts Zahedi and Tessier's "Designerly Activity Theory" [13]. Traditional pedagogical models often fail to map the complex and artifact-centric nature of architectural design when automated agents are involved. Designerly Activity Theory provides a more robust analytical lens by modeling Artificial Intelligence not merely as a passive software tool (like a digital pencil), but as a distinct "cultural actor" and an unpredictable generative co-creator within the studio ecosystem.

The introduction of GenAI fundamentally disrupts the traditional "division of labor" between the instructor, the student, and the design object. Because GenAI operates as an autonomous agent within the opaque "Black Box" of latent data spaces, the linear, top-down master-apprentice dynamic is rendered obsolete. To prevent the student from entirely relinquishing their design agency to the algorithm, the academic studio requires the implementation of new, deterministic protocols.

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3. Methodology: Design and Development Research (DDR Type 2) and Expert Validation Protocol

To systematically address the "Techno-Instructional Void" and the emergent cognitive threats within architectural pedagogy, this ongoing study employs the Design and Development Research (DDR) methodology. Specifically, the research is categorized as "Type 2: Model Research" [14]. Unlike purely observational studies, DDR Type 2 is a developmental inquiry aimed at producing validated, universally transferable instructional models. For the Architecture, Engineering, and Construction (AEC) sector—which urgently requires graduates capable of translating digital concepts into buildable realities—this methodology provides a structured, evidence-based path from theoretical diagnosis to the creation of a formalized educational "blueprint."

3.1. The Heuristic Diagnostic Foundation (Phase 0)

The diagnostic foundation for the "Techno-Instructional Void" is heuristically derived from over a decade of the author’s professional tenure as a studio instructor specializing in Computer-Aided Design (CAD) software (e.g., Allplan, Revit) and Architectural Design. Rather than a traditional longitudinal empirical study, this ten-year field experience serves as a "Preliminary Diagnostic Phase." During this period, a recurring and dangerous pattern of cognitive passivity and tectonic errors was identified among students overly reliant on digital aesthetics. This experiential data provided the "Problem Space" required for DDR Type 2, anchoring the research in documented pedagogical challenges where visually impressive but structurally flawed designs consistently overrode engineering logic. By addressing these real-world instructional bottlenecks, the proposed framework directly responds to the AEC industry’s demand for structurally competent designers.

3.2. The Four-Phase DDR Process

The research design is operationalized through a rigorous, iterative process intended to transform these heuristic observations into a formalized, universally applicable instructional model, preparing the groundwork for a broader doctoral application:

1. Analysis Phase (Diagnosis): This phase focuses on the comprehensive mapping of the instructional gap between academia and industry. Utilizing a PRISMA [25] -guided systematic literature review coupled with the author’s field observations, it identifies the exact cognitive mechanisms leading to the hypothesized "Zero Order Thinking State" (ZOTS)—the condition where students uncritically accept AI-generated hallucinations as viable architectural solutions.
2. Concept Phase (Theoretical Construction): This phase entails the theoretical synthesis of the "Twin Houses" and "Technical Sealing" models. Insights from Cognitive Load Theory [8] are utilized to deliberately position "Cognitive Friction" points—mental effort barriers—as engines of deep learning. The goal is to establish a pedagogical dialectic where the physical, analog resistance of traditional modeling (Channel A) serves as a strict, deterministic check on the unpredictable, probabilistic AI visions (Channel B).
3. Development Phase (Prototyping): The theoretical constructs are prototyped into an actionable, asynchronous online training module. Grounded in the TPACK [22] (Technological Pedagogical Content Knowledge) framework, this "AI-TPACK [22]" module is designed to systematically upskill instructors. It redefines their traditional role, transforming them into "Socratic Auditors" who utilize technical validation checklists to question and verify AI outputs.
4. Validation Phase (Empirical Verification): Built upon preliminary field observations and collegial consultations, the proposed prototype is currently undergoing active empirical verification to ensure structural and pedagogical rigor. This verification phase is designed around a bilateral cohort of eight senior experts (n = 8), maintaining a deliberate equilibrium between academic theoreticians and AEC industry practitioners from Germany and Türkiye. Their objective is to rigorously audit the model’s cross-border transferability and confirm its

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efficiency in minimizing curriculum integration time-costs prior to its empirical implementation in a future doctoral research phase.

3.3. Selection Criteria for the Bilateral Expert Panel

The validation panel is selected through Purposive Sampling—a targeted methodological approach designed to ensure that the proposed instructional model is rigorously audited by individuals possessing direct pedagogical and industrial experience. In the context of the current "Techno-Instructional Void," it is critical that the evaluators deeply understand both the academic studio environment and the Architecture, Engineering, and Construction (AEC) sector's demand for structurally sound, buildable designs. To facilitate a robust, highly qualified, yet accessible expert pool, the inclusion criteria are defined as follows:

- Instructional and Industrial Experience: A minimum of 5 years of active experience in architectural studio instruction, CAD/BIM management, or architectural design practice. This specific timeframe ensures that the selected experts have personally witnessed the transition from deterministic CAD drafting to probabilistic AI generation, making them highly capable of evaluating the severe risks of "Constructive Apraxia" and the absolute necessity of the proposed "Technical Sealing" protocol.
- Geographical and Normative Context: A deliberate equilibrium between senior experts operating within the European (specifically Germany) and Turkish higher education frameworks. This bilateral structure is strategically designed to test the model's cross-border transferability. Germany represents an ecosystem characterized by strict technical standards (e.g., DIN norms [29], HOAI [31]) and rigorous BIM protocols, whereas Türkiye offers a highly dynamic pedagogical and construction adaptation field. Validating the model across these two contrasting environments ensures its universal applicability.

3.3.1. Validated Research Instrument: Ethics Committee Approved Protocol

The current validation phase of project BAP 3286 utilizes a semi-structured expert interview protocol that has been officially reviewed and approved by the Institutional Ethics Committee. To maintain absolute methodological transparency and ensure a replicable audit process, the proposed instrument is designed not merely as a qualitative survey, but as a high-level technical audit of the "BIM Validation Barrier" and the instructor's evolving role as a "Socratic Auditor."

Furthermore, the formal ethical approval guarantees that the pedagogical framework complies with global data governance mandates (such as GDPR [27] in Europe and KVKK [26] in Türkiye), which is a critical requirement when integrating opaque, "Black Box" AI models into academic curricula. The following matrix maps the officially approved interview questions to their respective pedagogical targets. This structured mapping ensures that the upcoming validation phase will provide a reliable, universally transferable theoretical foundation prior to the model's live empirical implementation in a broader Design-Based Research (DBR) doctoral phase.

Table 1. Formal Expert Interview Protocol (Approved by Ethics Committee).

Section / Category	**Approved Interview Question (Official Translation)**	**Methodological Mapping & Pedagogical Target**
A: Situational Analysis	Do you observe students using AI (Midjourney, ChatGPT, etc.) in your studio? Does it erode or enhance their design ability?	Identifying the current Techno-Instructional Void and Faculty perception.
A: Situational Analysis	What criteria do you use to differentiate between the student's agency and the machine's probability in an impressive AI visual?	Establishing the baseline for Authorship Transparency.

B: Strategy I (Hybrid)	Does the "hybrid" method (sketching over AI output) prevent cognitive passivity and help the student own the design?	Validating the mitigation of Zero Order Thinking State (ZOTS).
B: Strategy II (BIM Barrier)	Is enforcing a "BIM Validation Barrier" the correct method to discipline AI hallucinations with tectonic reality?	Critical Validation: Testing the Technical Sealing protocol's robustness.
B: Strategy III (Peer Review)	Does a "detective-style" peer audit effectively expose AI hallucinations and foster critical thinking?	Measuring the efficacy of System 2 analytical curation.
C: Institutional Adoption	Would you consider using this 4-session online training module as a reference for yourself or your assistants?	Testing the Transferability and scalability of the AI-TPACK [22] model.

3.4. Trustworthiness, Transferability, and Legal Compliance

In qualitative Design and Development Research (DDR) Type 2 methodologies, traditional quantitative metrics are replaced by the foundational criteria of "Trustworthiness" [15]. Within this paradigm, "Transferability" serves as the primary metric of success. For the Architecture, Engineering, and Construction (AEC) sector and architectural academia, this ensures that the proposed AI-TPACK [22] instructional model can function robustly across radically different institutional, pedagogical, and legal ecosystems, preventing the opaque "Black Box" of AI models from violating local construction and data norms.

Crucially, the proposed framework is explicitly designed to navigate the dual-track challenges of global data governance. On one hand, it strictly aligns with the European Union's GDPR [27] mandates and the DigCompEdu [16] framework, ensuring institutional autonomy and strict data privacy when integrating third-party AI algorithms into the studio. Simultaneously, it accommodates the centralized regulatory requirements of Türkiye's KVKK [26] (Personal Data Protection Law) and the Council of Higher Education's (YÖK) ethical guidelines for artificial intelligence [17]. By calling for expert validation against these two divergent legal and normative architectures, this ongoing research guarantees that the proposed module serves not merely as a localized pedagogical experiment, but as a universally transferable blueprint for modern architectural education prior to its live empirical implementation in a broader doctoral research phase.

4. Conceptual Solution 1: The "Twin Houses" Methodology and the Mechanics of Cognitive Friction

To systematically mitigate the "Zero Order Thinking State" (ZOTS) and the resultant erosion of spatial reasoning among architecture students—a severe cognitive deficit that directly threatens the constructability and safety of future projects in the Architecture, Engineering, and Construction (AEC) sector—this ongoing study proposes the "Twin Houses" methodology. This proposed framework rejects the linear, purely digital workflows that have dominated architectural education for the last decade. Instead, it introduces a structured dialectic between analog material resistance and digital algorithmic acceleration. The core mechanism of this model is the intentional enforcement of "Cognitive Friction." As Tutsun and Özdemir [18] emphasize, the physical resistance encountered during manual drafting and physical modeling is essential for maintaining the designer's spatial reasoning and mental rotation abilities. In the author's ten years of field experience teaching Computer-Aided Design (CAD) and architectural studios, a clear pedagogical correlation has been consistently observed: when design processes lack physical resistance, students fail to interiorize the structural, material, and spatial implications of their decisions. By deliberately slowing down the student's uncritical acceptance of instantaneous, visually seductive algorithmic outputs, Cognitive Friction acts as a necessary mental brake. It forces a mandatory confrontation with physical reality, gravitational scale, and tectonic logic, ensuring that graduates can produce structurally sound designs.

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4.1. Path Comparison: The Dual Ontologies

The "Twin Houses" model compels students to simultaneously navigate two distinct modes of architectural production, creating a deliberate pedagogical tension between the haptic (touch-based) and the semantic (prompt-based) realms. This dual-path approach is strategically designed to prevent the opaque "Black Box" of AI from entirely subsuming the student’s design agency, maintaining their sovereign role as an "Architectural Conductor."

- Channel A (The Haptic-Analog Path): This channel is strictly bound to physical scale, gravity, and actual materiality. Utilizing traditional physical mechanisms such as balsa wood, clay, wire, and manual sketching, it acts as an uncompromising deterministic simulator. The primary educational outcome here is "tectonic groundedness." It provides the indispensable physical resistance that forces students to physically verify structural limits, material thicknesses, and load transfers. For instance, in Channel A, a student cannot simply "imagine" a massive cantilever; they must physically resolve its structural balance. This haptic path serves as the "Control Group" that exposes the structural fallacies and physical impossibilities of AI-generated visions.
- Channel B (The Semantic-Digital Path): Conversely, this channel operates entirely within the probabilistic latent space of GenAI models. Driven by semantic text prompts (Prompt Engineering) and rapid AI generation tools (e.g., Stable Diffusion, Midjourney), it enables the frictionless exploration of complex morphological variations and atmospheric moods. The primary outcome here is the expansion of the student’s "synthetic imagination." However, without constant cross-referencing and dialectical collision with Channel A, this path risks producing structurally "unsealed" and unbuildable scenography. The effectiveness of this dual-path dialectic in bridging the techno-instructional void forms the theoretical basis of the upcoming expert validation phase, serving as a tested blueprint prior to its empirical implementation in a broader doctoral research phase.

4.2. The Merit Report and the Duty of Documentation

To ensure academic and professional accountability, and to prevent the uncritical adoption of probabilistic AI hallucinations, the proposed methodology enforces a strict "Duty of Documentation." In an era where hyper-realistic visualizations can be generated in seconds, students are no longer evaluated on the final retinal (aesthetic) image alone. Instead, they are required to maintain a comprehensive "Prompt Logbook." This logbook meticulously tracks their iterative decision-making process across both the haptic (analog) and semantic (digital) channels, establishing a verifiable audit trail of their intellectual labor. This documentation culminates in the "Merit Report" (Liyakat Karnesi), which formally replaces the traditional final rendering as the primary metric of academic success and copyright-legitimated authorship.

The Merit Report explicitly identifies the critical design nodes where structural anomalies, physical impossibilities, or topological errors generated by the AI’s opaque "Black Box" were actively recognized and subsequently corrected through the haptic, physics-bound validation of Channel A. For example, a student must document exactly how an AI-generated "Floating Staircase"—a visually stunning but physically impossible illusion—was resolved into a safe, buildable architectural element by rigorously applying Blondel’s Formula (for stair ergonomics) within the analog path. This reflective and documented design trajectory aligns directly with Schön’s [19] foundational concept of "reflection-in-action." However, it updates this concept for the AI era, translating the traditional physical dialogue with materials into a verifiable, hybrid digital-analog context that proves the student’s cognitive sovereignty over the algorithm.

The implementation of this proposed methodology necessitates a fundamental systemic transformation of traditional architectural studio workflows. Table 2 delineates how classical design phases are strategically reconstructed within this AI-augmented framework. This reconstruction shifts the pedagogical focus away from mere manual execution (software operation) toward critical

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curation, structural rationalization, and technical validation, ultimately preparing graduates for the rigorous safety and constructability demands of the modern Architecture, Engineering, and Construction (AEC) sector.

Table 2. Systemic Transformation of Architectural Workflows.

Design Phase	AI-Augmented Workflow	Pedagogical Innovation & Core Competence
1. Research & Analysis	Prompt Engineering	Semantic precision; accurate architectural token decoding.
2. Concept Generation	Latent Space Exploration	Expansion of the associative scope; synthetic imagination.
3. Massing Study	Twin Houses Dialectic	Cognitive Friction: Conscious oscillation and detection of topological errors.
4. Floor Plan Development	Generative Spatial Configuration	Strategic evaluation and curation of algorithmic variants.
5. Technical Detailing	Technical Sealing (BIM Proof)	Deterministic error detection (e.g., 2R + T = 63 cm); correction of structural anomalies.
6. Presentation & Jury	Merit Report & Defense	Transparency of Authorship: Collective intelligence countering the "Black Box."

As illustrated in the methodological synthesis (Figure 1), the transition from vague, probabilistic pixels into constructible, data-rich architectural objects constitutes the proposed operational core of the "Technical Sealing" protocol. This framework establishes a deliberate pedagogical dialectic between the haptic, physical material resistance of Channel A and the semantic, algorithmic acceleration of Channel B. By strategically positioning Building Information Modeling (BIM) as the deterministic "Single Source of Truth" (SSoT), the model mandates that all AI-generated design decisions undergo a rigorous triple audit: Rule-Based Checking for structural and geometric integrity (via IFC 4.3 [30] data exchange), Building Performance Simulation (BPS) for thermodynamic and energy metrics, and strict Regulatory Compliance against international safety and accessibility norms (e.g., ISO 21542 [21] / TS 9111 [28]). Ultimately, this visual and theoretical synthesis conceptualizes the future graduate not as a passive software operator, but as an "Architectural Conductor"—a cognitively sovereign professional who governs this complex technological orchestra to systematically transform unbuildable generative hallucinations into verified, tectonic realities. The robustness of this proposed synthesis will be the primary focus of the upcoming international expert validation prior to its empirical implementation in a broader doctoral research phase.

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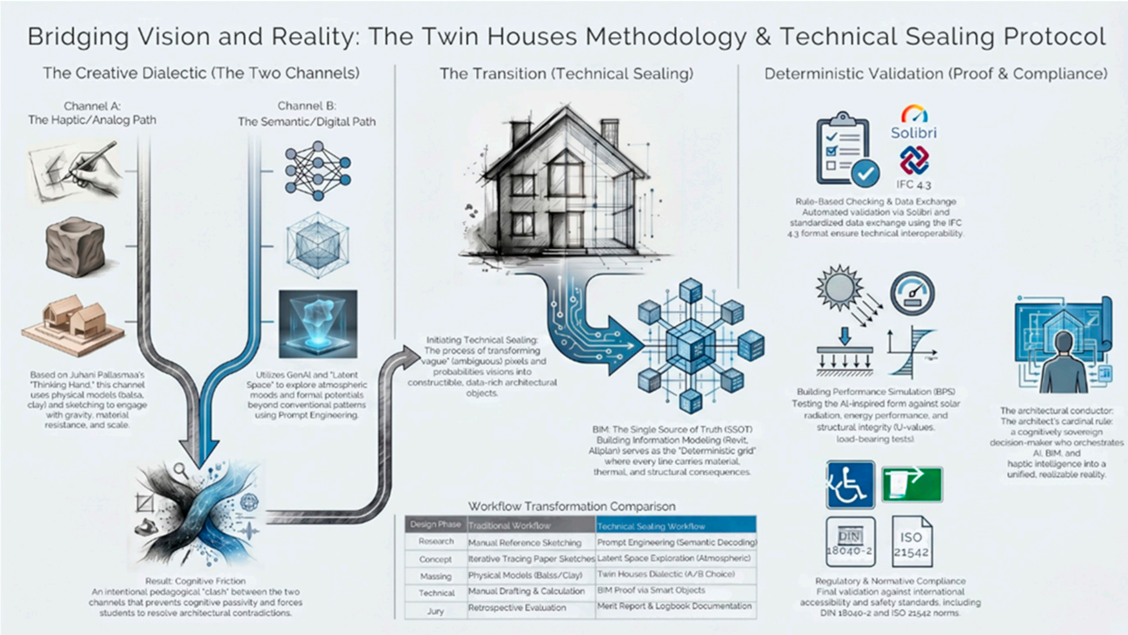

Figure 1. The Integrated Framework of Twin Houses Methodology and Technical Sealing Protocol: From Probabilistic Curation to Deterministic Validation. (Developed within the scope of project BAP 3286).

5. Conceptual Solution 2: Technical Sealing and Deterministic Audit

To systematically complement the deliberate "Cognitive Friction" introduced by the "Twin Houses" methodology, the proposed pedagogical framework necessitates a rigorous technological filtration mechanism. Generative AI models operate probabilistically, producing visually compelling spatial configurations that are fundamentally "weightless"—entirely devoid of material properties, structural logic, or adherence to the laws of physics. For the Architecture, Engineering, and Construction (AEC) sector, relying on such unstructured latent outputs poses severe safety and constructability risks. Therefore, to translate these algorithmic hallucinations into viable, safe architectural solutions, they must be rigorously validated against a deterministic engineering system. This structured validation process, which acts as a mandatory digital bridge between probabilistic vision and tectonic reality, is defined in this ongoing study as the "Technical Sealing" protocol.

5.1. BIM as a Proof-Assistant: From Drafting to Model Auditing

In the proposed framework, Building Information Modeling (BIM) is strategically repositioned from being merely a conventional drafting or 3D modeling software into an active, deterministic "Proof-Assistant" (Beweis-Erleichterung). The Technical Sealing protocol resolves the unpredictable, probabilistic outputs of AI against the rigid, mathematical Cartesian grid of BIM environments. Within this paradigm, industry-standard BIM platforms (e.g., Nemetschek Allplan or Autodesk Revit) function as Knowledge-Based Engineering (KBE) systems [20] that rely strictly on object-oriented information and parametric constraints.

Operationally, this validation is executed through the semantic and topological data exchange of global industry standards, strictly utilizing IFC 4.3 [30] (Industry Foundation Classes) data schemas. BIM serves as a facilitation of structural proof by utilizing advanced Rule-Based Checking (RBC) environments. Specifically, this automated filtration leverages visual programming APIs—such as Autodesk Revit Dynamo and Nemetschek Allplan PythonParts—to systematically audit the geometrical and tectonic constraints of the AI output. For instance, a probabilistic stair geometry must be deterministically mapped to an IfcStairFlight class, where variables like RiserHeight and TreadLength become strictly governed by parametric scripts rather than aesthetic approximations. Based on the author's decade-long field experience, manual checking is no longer sufficient to detect the highly sophisticated "hallucinations" of modern AI. Therefore, the protocol mandates these specific RBC algorithms to immediately identify and flag structural anomalies.

The "Floating Staircase Paradox" serves as a primary technical benchmark for this digital audit. Under the proposed model, a student's AI-generated staircase is no longer accepted as a mere aesthetic visual representation; instead, it must be deterministically verified against strict engineering constants, such as the Blondel Formula for stair ergonomics (2R + T = 63 cm). In this context, the RBC engine acts as an uncompromising "Tectonic Gatekeeper." Any deviation from this ergonomic or structural constant triggers an automated technical hallucination alert, forcing the student to return to the "Twin Houses" dialectic to manually resolve the physical impossibility. By shifting the burden of structural proof entirely onto the student via automated BIM validation, the instructor regains academic authority through "Tectonic Sovereignty." Ultimately, this ensures that the final studio output is a safe, legally buildable artifact ready for the AEC sector, rather than a fleeting digital mirage. The operational robustness of this KBE-driven auditing process forms a key testing parameter for the upcoming international expert validation phase.

5.1.1. The Staircase Validation Workflow: A Proposed Algorithm

To operationalize the "Technical Sealing" protocol, this framework proposes a five-step deterministic workflow (as illustrated in Figure 2). Using the "Floating Staircase Paradox" as the primary pedagogical use case, this algorithm illustrates the critical transition from an unbuildable, probabilistic AI hallucination into a safe, validated Building Information Model (BIM) ready for the AEC sector:

- Step 1: Probabilistic Generation (The AI Vision): The student inputs a semantic text prompt (e.g., "ethereal floating glass staircase, hyper-realistic, parametric design"). The GenAI model instantly outputs a visually flawless, seductive image. However, lacking physical constraints, the steps appear structurally disproportionate (e.g., a visually estimated 10 cm riser and 50 cm tread), and the system entirely omits essential stringers or load-bearing supports.
- Step 2: Cognitive Friction and Socratic Audit: To prevent the student from falling into the ZOTS paralysis, the instructor intervenes as a "Socratic Auditor." Rather than providing the direct solution, the instructor asks: "Does this geometry comply with human gait and Blondel's Formula?" This deliberate pedagogical friction forces the student to pause the digital acceleration and manually calculate the structural proportions (Channel A).
- Step 3: Deterministic Translation (BIM Input): The student transitions from the latent space to the deterministic BIM environment (e.g., Nemetschek Allplan or Autodesk Revit). The vague "pixels" of the AI image must now be translated into parametric, object-oriented "Staircase Families." The student must input exact mathematical values to satisfy Blondel's Formula for stair ergonomics (2R + T = 63 cm, where R = Riser and T = Tread). The student assigns: Riser = 17 cm, Tread = 29 cm (2 * 17 + 29 = 63 cm).
- Step 4: Rule-Based Checking (RBC) and Normative Audit: The BIM software now acts as the ultimate Proof-Assistant. The parametric model is subjected to automated technical audits:
    - Ergonomic Check: The software verifies that the staircase correctly bridges Floor A and Floor B with the exact number of calculated, proportionate steps.
    - Accessibility Check: Compliance with international safety and accessibility norms, such as ISO 21542 [21] and DIN 18040-2 [29], is rigorously verified. Rather than simple clash detection, the system performs specific "Clearance and Safety Validation" for stairs—such as mandating closed risers (geschlossene Trittstufen), tactile walking surface indicators, and continuous handrails extending 30 cm beyond the flight—which are critical tectonic and normative elements entirely missing in the AI image.
    - Structural Check: The student must add steel stringers to support the heavy glass treads, manually resolving the physical impossibility of the "floating" illusion.

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- Step 5: The Technical Seal (SSoT Output): Once the RBC engine returns zero critical errors or clashes, the design is officially "Sealed." The dangerous floating illusion has been successfully transformed into a legally buildable, data-rich IFC 4.3 [30] model (Single Source of Truth).

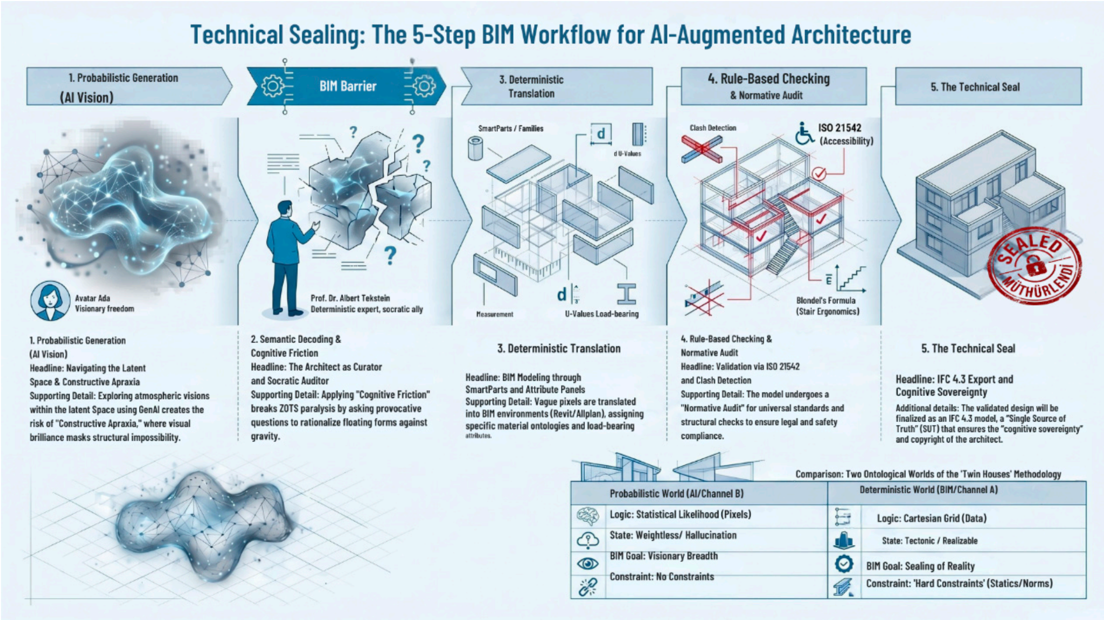

Figure 2. Technical Sealing: The 5-Step BIM Workflow for AI-Augmented Architecture. (Developed within the scope of project BAP 3286).

5.2. Data Governance, Intellectual Property, and the Legal Seal

Beyond structural and tectonic validation, the uncritical integration of commercial GenAI models into architectural studios introduces severe vulnerabilities regarding global data governance, privacy, and academic authorship. The passive integration of student inputs into opaque, third-party algorithmic systems directly conflicts with stringent institutional mandates, such as the European Union's GDPR [27], Türkiye's KVKK [26] (Personal Data Protection Law), and the Council of Higher Education's (YÖK) Ethical Guide for Generative AI [17].

The proposed "Technical Sealing" protocol provides a systematic, deterministic resolution to this ethical and legal crisis through the concept of "Intellectual Labor Transformation." An unresolved AI output, in its raw probabilistic state, remains a machine-generated entity entirely devoid of legal human authorship or engineering liability. However, when a student forcibly resolves this algorithmic output through the deterministic Cartesian grid of BIM—actively assigning specific material thicknesses, structural load-bearing properties, and precise spatial dimensions—a fundamental legal and cognitive transformation occurs.

This deliberate application of rigorous engineering labor and technical curation acts as a digital "Seal" that transforms the machine-generated output into a copyright-legitimated intellectual property. By transparently documenting this transition in the proposed "Merit Report" (Liyakat Karnesi), the student establishes a verifiable audit trail of their authorship and structural reasoning. This ensures full compliance with institutional academic integrity standards and protects the cognitive sovereignty of the designer within the hyper-connected "Onlife" [24] studio environment. The resilience of this data governance and technical sealing workflow constitutes a core parameter to be evaluated in the upcoming international expert validation phase, paving the way for its empirical application in future doctoral research.

5.3. The Green Imperative: Thermodynamic Integrity and the Carbon Passport

Finally, the proposed framework addresses the urgent global "Green Imperative" by enforcing strict environmental accountability within the architectural studio. Because probabilistic AI visions lack underlying material metadata or lifecycle analysis, they are inherently "environmentally blind"—frequently generating seductive forms that completely violate core sustainability principles. The Technical Sealing protocol systematically rectifies this structural vulnerability by integrating advanced Building Performance Simulation (BPS) tools directly into the deterministic BIM-based audit workflow [32].

Instructors, acting as "Socratic Auditors," utilize these BPS algorithms to compel students to calculate and rigorously verify the following ecological metrics:

- Embodied Carbon: Assessing the total environmental footprint of proposed materials—from raw extraction to end-of-life deconstruction—thereby fostering a rigorous "Circular Economy" mindset rather than a disposable digital culture. This is operationalized by linking the Sealed BIM geometry to Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) integrations (e.g., One Click LCA), forcing the once-weightless AI hallucination to yield quantifiable material mass and carbon data [33].
- Thermodynamic Targets: Deterministically verifying thermal mass, U-Values, and overall energy performance to ensure the AI-generated design strictly meets contemporary climate regulations and AEC sustainability standards.
- Carbon Passport: Assigning a quantifiable, data-rich environmental identifier to the final BIM model, ensuring that the students algorithmic vision is firmly grounded in quantifiable ecological metrics rather than unverified digital outputs [34].

Furthermore, the protocol mandates structural compliance with universal safety and usability frameworks, such as ISO 21542 [21] (Accessibility), while seamlessly adapting to context-specific national equivalents like DIN 18040-2 [29] in Germany or TS 9111 [28] in Türkiye. By deliberately embedding BPS calculations alongside automated normative compliance, the Technical Sealing protocol—supported by project BAP 3286—ensures that AI-augmented pedagogy results in goal-oriented, sustainable, and legally buildable realities. Ultimately, this technical depth is not a mere adjunct to the design process; it serves as the definitive proof of the students readiness for professional AEC practice in the unpredictable age of the Second Digital Turn. The scalability of these environmental and normative audit mechanisms will be a focal point of the upcoming expert validation phase, establishing a robust theoretical foundation prior to its empirical execution in a broader doctoral research phase.

6. Implementation: The AI-TPACK Online Training Model

To effectively mitigate the profound pedagogical disruptions introduced by Generative AI in the Architecture, Engineering, and Construction (AEC) sector, relying solely on generic technological guidelines is fundamentally insufficient. Instructors must undergo a structured, systemic transition from traditional knowledge transmitters to rigorous "Socratic Auditors." To operationalize this vital transformation, this ongoing study—under the framework of BAP Project 3286—implements a comprehensive four-block asynchronous online training module. The module is strictly grounded in the Technological Pedagogical Content Knowledge (TPACK [22]) framework [22] and aligns directly with the UNESCO AI Competency Framework for Teachers [23].

6.1. Block 1: AI Literacy, Epistemology, and Curatorial Agency

The initial training block focuses on the fundamental paradigm shift from the physical, haptic act of "making" to the algorithmic act of "curating" within massive latent data spaces. Instructors are trained to understand the probabilistic nature of diffusion models and to accurately diagnose the resulting "AI De-skilling Paradox" (the severe erosion of foundational spatial reasoning) among their students. Furthermore, to counteract the ethical breaches associated with the "Hidden Curriculum"—where students uncritically utilize AI outputs—the concept of "Prompt Engineering" is formally

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integrated into the studio. Instructors learn to demand that students decode vague atmospheric intentions into precise, quantifiable engineering data labels (tokens) that dictate material realities.

6.2. Block 2: "Twin Houses" Pedagogy and Orchestrating Cognitive Friction

The second training block operationalizes the "Twin Houses" methodology to systematically counteract the rapid, frictionless generation of unverified AI models. Drawing upon Cognitive Load Theory [8], this phase trains instructors to deliberately orchestrate "Cognitive Friction" within the design process. When a student produces a visually flawless but structurally impossible design (e.g., the "Floating Staircase Paradox"), the instructor is guided to rigorously refrain from providing immediate engineering solutions. Instead, they employ Socratic mentorship, compelling the student to strictly cross-reference the probabilistic digital output (Channel B) with the physical material resistance and deterministic realities of haptic-analog modeling (Channel A). This structured pedagogical friction forces a state of "productive struggle," thereby preventing the onset of the Zero Order Thinking State (ZOTS) and preserving the student's essential spatial reasoning capabilities.

To effectively operationalize this cognitive friction within the asynchronous online module, the proposed framework employs two virtual pedagogical agents that personify these opposing methodological channels. "Avatar Ada" represents the probabilistic, visionary freedom of GenAI (Channel B), encouraging the student's synthetic imagination without structural constraints. In contrast, "Prof. Dr. Albert Tekstein" embodies the uncompromising deterministic, tectonic rigor of classical architecture and BIM standards (Channel A). The instructor's new role as a "Socratic Auditor" is to moderate the dialectic between these two extremes, guiding the student to actively synthesize Ada's atmospheric visions with Albert's strict structural realities. This interactive role-play mechanism makes the abstract concept of "Cognitive Friction" highly tangible for the trainees.

6.3. Block 3: Technological Validation and the BIM Protocol

The third training block focuses on the objective, deterministic verification of probabilistic AI outputs through the proposed "Technical Sealing" protocol. Here, instructors learn to enforce a rigorous technical audit, utilizing Building Information Modeling (BIM) platforms as the primary "Proof-Assistant" (Beweis-Erleichterung) to bridge the gap between aesthetic vision and tectonic reality. Crucially for widespread institutional adoption, instructors are not required to achieve operational mastery of complex BIM software. Rather, they are trained to act as high-level auditors, rigorously verifying the compatibility between the student's visual (semantic) claims and the underlying hard mathematical BIM data. This deterministic audit mandates that students actively encode their weightless AI models with specific engineering and structural attributes, focusing on:

- Structural Plausibility: Validating spatial geometries against strict deterministic rules, such as human gait ergonomics via the Blondel Formula ($2R + T = 63$ cm) and fundamental load-bearing logic.
- Sustainable Verification (The Green Imperative): Auditing Building Performance Simulation (BPS) data, specifically requiring the calculation of U-values (thermal transmittance) and Embodied Carbon targets to generate a reliable "Carbon Passport."
- Normative Conformity: Utilizing automated clash detection (collision tests) to ensure absolute compliance with strict universal safety and accessibility norms, such as ISO 21542 [21] or local equivalents (e.g., DIN 18040-2 [29] / TS 9111 [28]).

6.4. Block 4: Assessment Paradigms and the Merit Report

The fourth and final training block fundamentally restructures the traditional architectural studio assessment framework. In an era where hyper-realistic, visually seductive visualizations can be generated by AI in seconds, grading students based solely on aesthetic (retinal) output is academically and professionally invalid. Therefore, the pedagogical evaluation paradigm must shift

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entirely toward assessing the transparency of the documented design trajectory and the structural rationale behind the student֍ decision-making.

Instructors learn to dismantle traditional vertical jury hierarchies by implementing a horizontal "Peer Review" system. This collaborative peer-auditing exercise effectively distributes the cognitive load of validation, transforming students into critical evaluators who systematically audit each other֍ structural anomalies. Ultimately, student success and academic authorship are measured exclusively through the proposed "Merit Report" (Liyakat Karnesi). This innovative evaluation rubric grades the "Germane Load"—the productive cognitive effort and intellectual labor expended by the student while actively correcting machine hallucinations and technically sealing the design within the deterministic BIM environment. By doing so, the framework ensures that academic integrity, copyright legitimacy, and the cognitive sovereignty of the human architect remain the definitive, non-negotiable metrics of success for the modern AEC sector.

Table 3. The Merit Report Rubric: Assessing Cognitive Sovereignty via Tectonic Validation.

Assessment Criteria	Fail (ZOTS Victim)	Novice (Prompt Operator)	Competent (Socratic Student)	Exemplary (Architectural Conductor)
1. Curatorial Agency (Prompt Logbook)	No documentation. AI outputs are presented as manual work (Hidden Curriculum).	Basic prompts used. Logbook exists but lacks architectural terminology.	Logbook shows iterative prompt refinement using correct architectural tokens (e.g., specifying materials and structural styles).	Comprehensive Logbook. Student clearly justifies why specific AI variations were selected based on spatial and tectonic intent.
2. Tectonic Translation (Channel B to A)	Accepts AI hallucinations (e.g., floating stairs) as final. No attempt to resolve structural impossibilities.	Recognizes AI errors but struggles to translate them into physical/ haptic logic (Channel A).	Successfully uses haptic sketches/calculations to resolve AI structural flaws (e.g., manually calculating stair pitches) before BIM modeling.	Seamlessly oscillates between AI vision and haptic resistance. Uses physical models to optimize the AI֍ spatial concept and load transfers.
3. BIM Validation & Rule-Based Checking	Fails to model the AI concept in BIM. No deterministic formulas applied.	Models basic geometry in BIM but fails Rule-Based Checking (e.g., ignores Blondel֍ formula; stairs do not reach the next floor).	Successfully models the design. Applies deterministic rules (e.g., 2R + T = 63 cm) and passes basic static and ergonomic RBC audits.	Achieves the "Technical Seal". Model is fully compliant with ISO 21542 [21]/ DIN 18040-2 [29], includes structural supports (stringers), and resolves all clashes.
4. Peer Audit (Hallucination Hunting)	Cannot identify structural or logical errors in peers֍AI-generated designs.	Identifies obvious visual glitches but misses fundamental tectonic or scale errors.	Accurately identifies structural impossibilities in peers֍ work (e.g., missing handrails, wrong proportions) and suggests corrections.	Acts as a rigorous "Detective." Identifies complex normative/static flaws and provides Socratic, formula-based feedback to peers.

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7. Policy Recommendations, Limitations, and Conclusions

To successfully bridge the critical gap between the proposed AI-TPACK [22] instructional model and its systemic institutional adoption, it is imperative to align pedagogical innovation with structural governance and long-term AEC industry trajectories. The following sections outline the necessary policy shifts required by global accreditation bodies, acknowledge the inherent methodological boundaries of the current stage, and synthesize the research's ultimate vision for safeguarding the architectural profession.

7.1. Recommendations for Accreditation Bodies (MİAK, RIBA, UNESCO)

To ensure the systemic, robust adoption of the proposed pedagogical framework, the integration of Generative AI within the studio must be strictly governed by institutional regulations rather than left to individual initiative. Global architectural accreditation bodies—such as MİAK in Türkiye, RIBA, and UNESCO—are strongly advised to implement the following foundational policy adaptations to protect the discipline's tectonic integrity:

- Process Documentation as Proof of Authorship: To effectively counter the unethical "Hidden Curriculum" and verify true individual merit, the proposed Merit Report (Liyakat Karnesi) must be formally recognized by accreditation boards as the primary legal and academic proof of authorship. Examination metrics must fundamentally shift away from assessing the final, visually seductive aesthetic output. Instead, grading must evaluate the transparency of the documented design trajectory and the applied "Germane Load"—the productive cognitive effort and intellectual labor expended by the student while actively correcting algorithmic errors.
- Mandating Digital Tectonics: Accreditation criteria must explicitly mandate "Technical Sealing" protocols as a non-negotiable core competency. Academic curricula must strictly require students to validate all probabilistic GenAI designs through deterministic Building Information Modeling (BIM) environments. This ensures absolute compliance with immutable physical laws (e.g., Blondel's Formula for human gait ergonomics: $2R + T = 63$ cm), structural load-bearing limits, and strict environmental regulations prior to any final approval.
- Instructor Certification, Time-Cost Optimization, and Institutional Funding: Systematically addressing the "Techno-Instructional Void" requires targeted institutional funding and strategic policy support. A major barrier to curricular innovation is often the "time-cost" of training faculty. The proposed AI-TPACK [22] framework specifically resolves this by utilizing a 120-minute asynchronous online module, drastically minimizing scheduling disruptions and integration time-costs. Universities must prioritize and financially support such scalable training programs to ensure legacy instructors are officially certified and fully equipped to operate as authoritative "Socratic Auditors."

7.2. Limitations and Future Research

The primary methodological limitation of this ongoing study, firmly grounded in Design and Development Research (DDR) Type 2 methodology, is that the efficacy of the proposed "Twin Houses" and "Technical Sealing" instructional models has currently been established through theoretical construction and bilateral expert validation, rather than through longitudinal, empirical application in a physical classroom.

Future research will systematically address this limitation by actively transitioning from DDR to a Design-Based Research (DBR) methodology for subsequent, comprehensive doctoral studies. This forthcoming doctoral phase will involve the direct empirical implementation of the developed AI-TPACK [22] framework within live laboratory studios. The objective is to gather robust, longitudinal data on student tectonic performance, the mitigation of cognitive paralysis (ZOTS), and overall spatial adaptation over a multi-year curriculum. Ultimately, the critical feedback and validation reports obtained from the upcoming international expert interviews will serve as the final theoretical refinement for this transition into live empirical execution.

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7.3. Conclusion: The AI-Augmented Architect and Cognitive Sovereignty

The integration of Generative Artificial Intelligence (GenAI) into architectural pedagogy and the broader Architecture, Engineering, and Construction (AEC) sector represents a fundamental paradigm shift. In this new era, the student's cognitive sovereignty is preserved not by instituting futile technological bans, but by systematically subjecting opaque algorithmic exploration to the rigorous, deterministic audit of tectonic truth. The professional future and structural integrity of the discipline rely entirely on the cultivation of a cognitively sovereign professional capable of operating flawlessly within the hyper-connected "Onlife" state [24].

By deliberately merging the physical intelligence of material resistance (Channel A) with the rapid, probabilistic visions of GenAI (Channel B), the modern architect completely transcends the obsolete role of a traditional drafting operator. By consistently generating structurally sound, norm-compliant, and data-rich Building Information Models (BIM) through the proposed Technical Sealing protocol, this professional is fully equipped to integrate these validated models with emerging Digital Twins and IoT networks.

This technological integration empowers the AI-Augmented Architect to govern the thermodynamic performance, safety, and predictive maintenance of the built environment over a comprehensive 30-year lifecycle. Ultimately, this lifelong data governance facilitates the AEC industry's critical transition toward a sustainable Circular Economy. It ensures that the architectural profession does not succumb to the algorithmic de-skilling paradox, but rather evolves into a technologically advanced, structurally accountable, and culturally indispensable force.

Supplementary Materials: The following supporting videos showcasing student design trajectories and the "Technical Sealing" workflow can be accessed online at: Video S1 Yeniyuzyil2018: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=amCTFh1BzB8&t=155s. Video S2 atolyel2018: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zVsrhJhKaRc&t=2387s. Video S3 atolyel2018: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zVsrhJhKaRc&t=542s.

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The following abbreviations are used in this manuscript:

AEC	Architecture, Engineering, and Construction

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BIM Building Information Modeling
BPS Building Performance Simulation
CAD Computer-Aided Design
DBR Design-Based Research
DDR Design and Development Research
GenAI Generative Artificial Intelligence
GDPR General Data Protection Regulation
IFC Industry Foundation Classes
KBE Knowledge-Based Engineering
KVKK Personal Data Protection Law (Kişisel Verilerin Korunması Kanunu)
LCA Life Cycle Assessment
RBC Rule-Based Checking
SSoT Single Source of Truth
TPACK Technological Pedagogical Content Knowledge
ZOTS Zero Order Thinking State

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