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# Everything Electrical for Revit MEP®

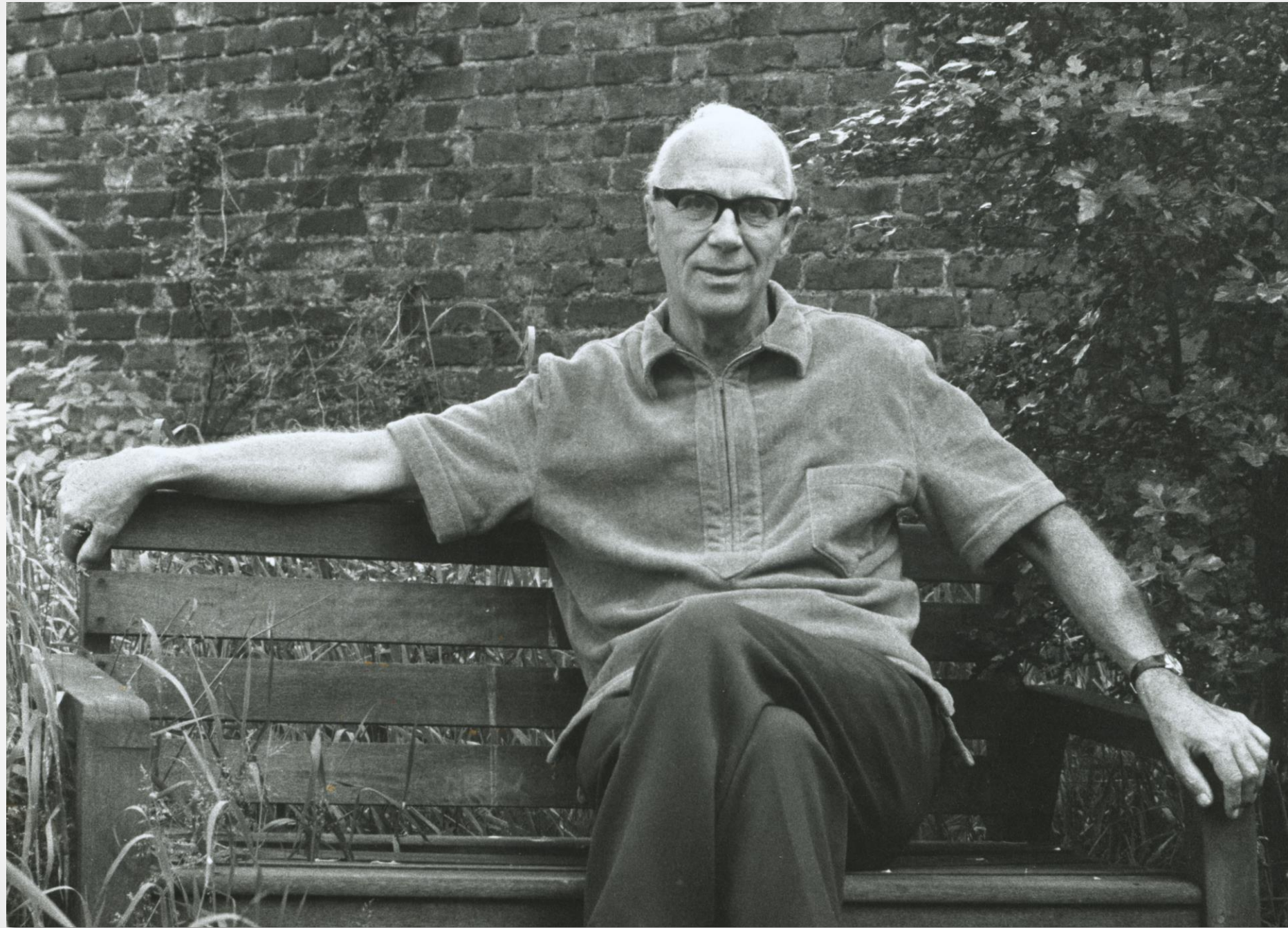
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ARUP



# Introduction to Arup



# Class Summary

The title of this class speaks for itself. You will learn everything you need to know about Revit MEP software, focusing entirely on the electrical side. Topics will include managing your project template; creating 2D annotation symbols and electrical families; creating more efficient diagrams; using filters for your electrical systems; and laying out fixtures. We'll also look at devices and equipment, circuiting, and scheduling. We will cover techniques for achieving better coordination between disciplines (mechanical, electrical, and plumbing) and making the most out of Revit MEP software and we will discuss some best practices. We will also share with you an actual project that implemented items discussed during this lecture.



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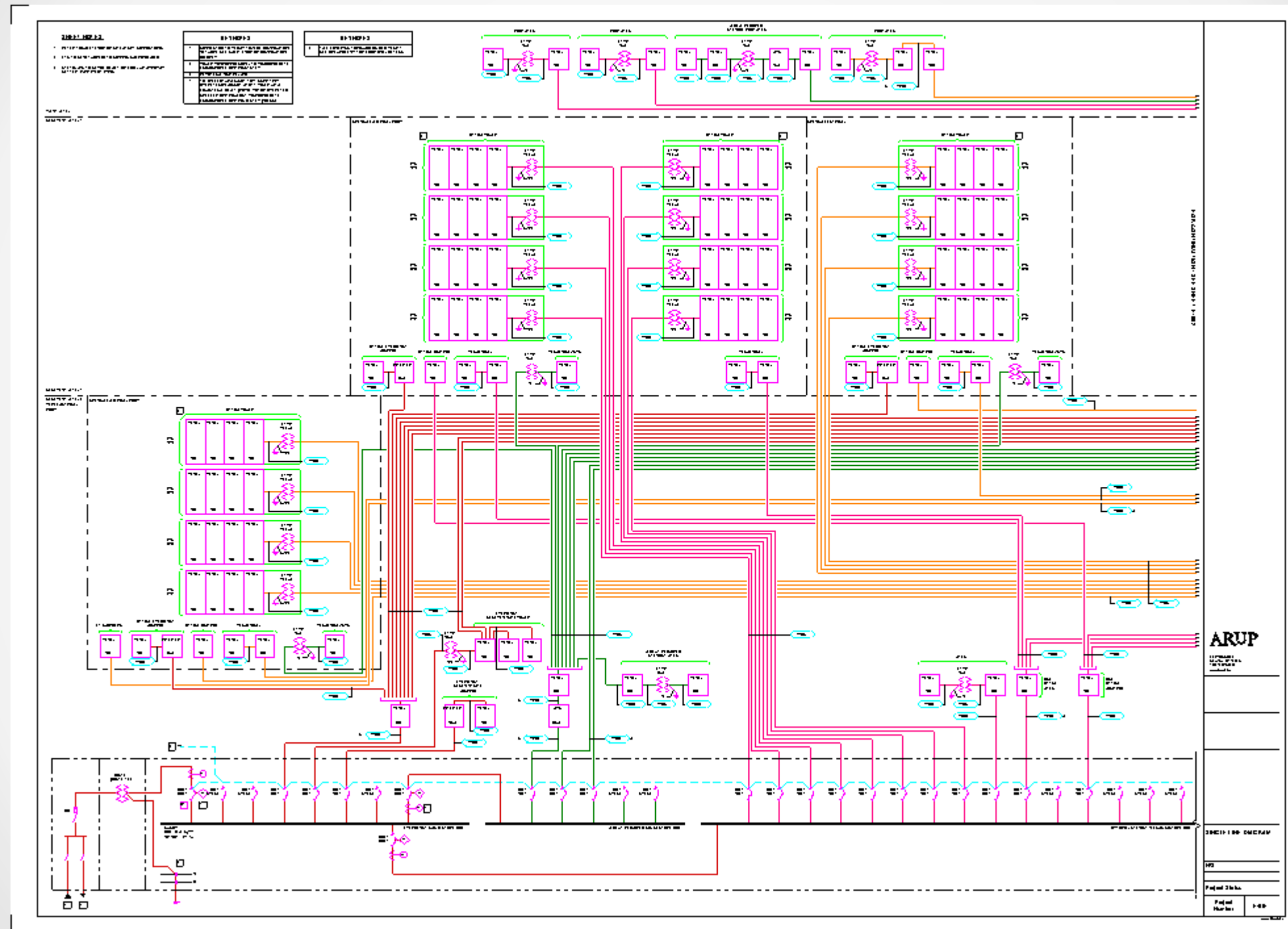
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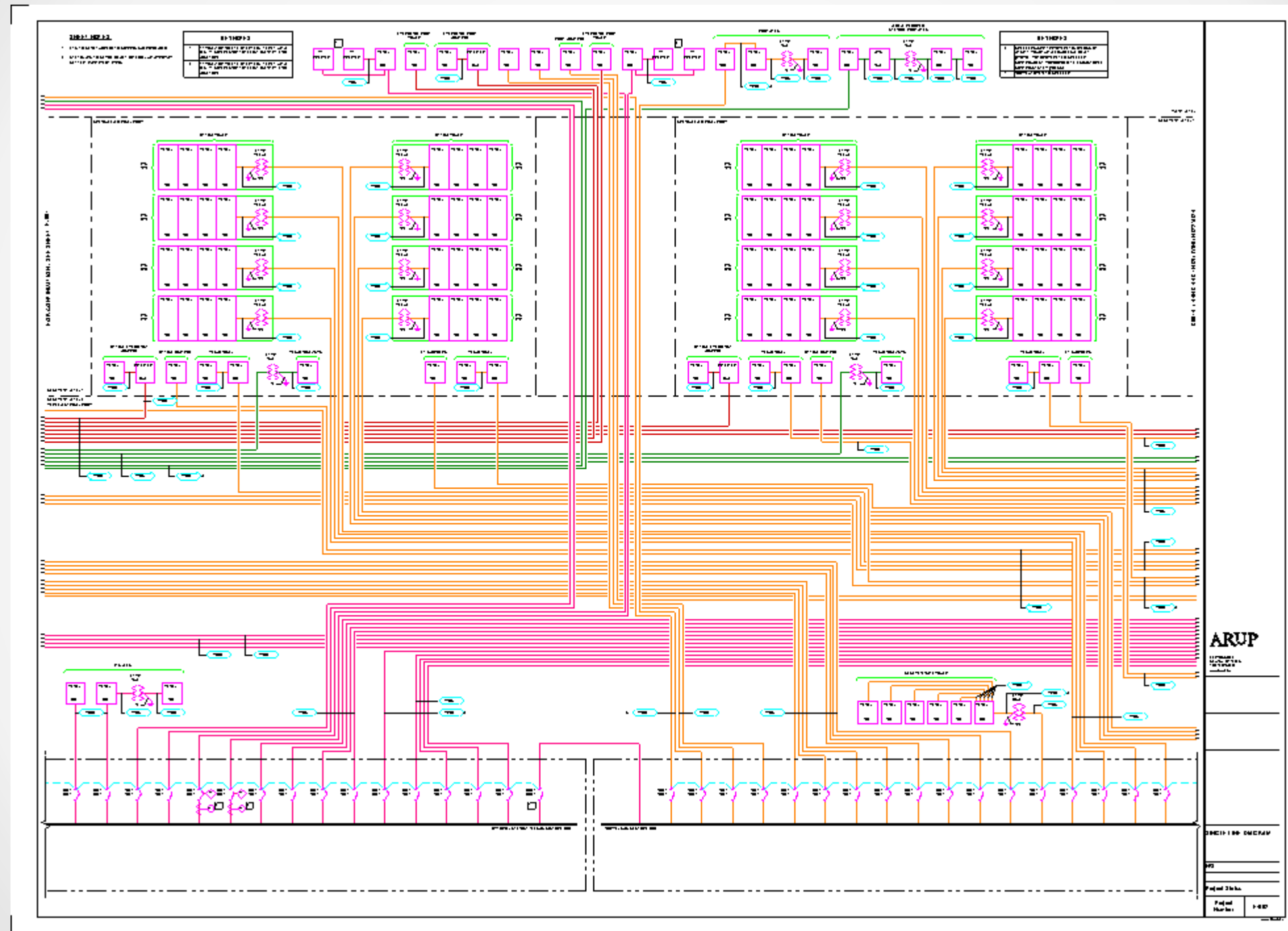


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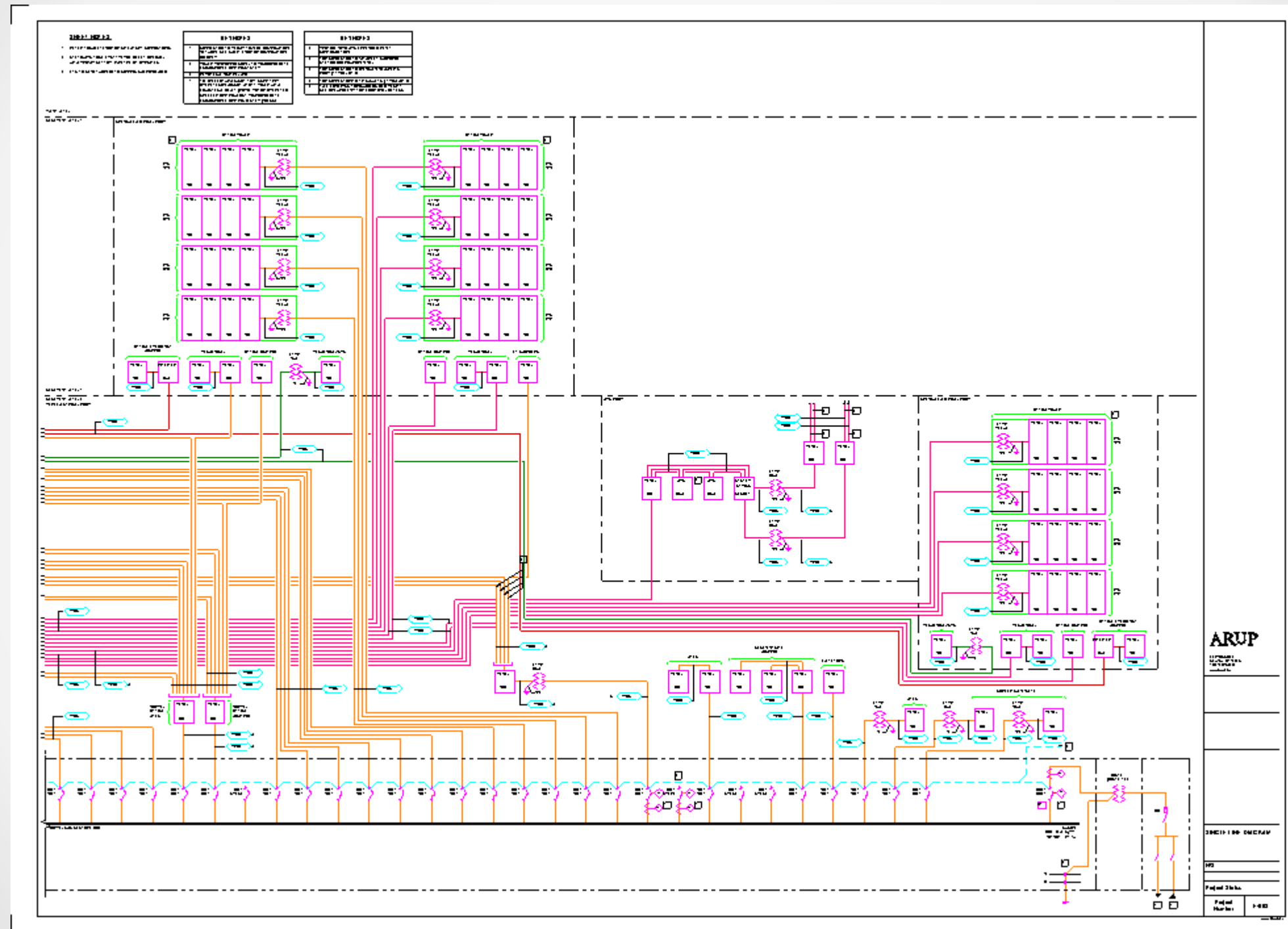




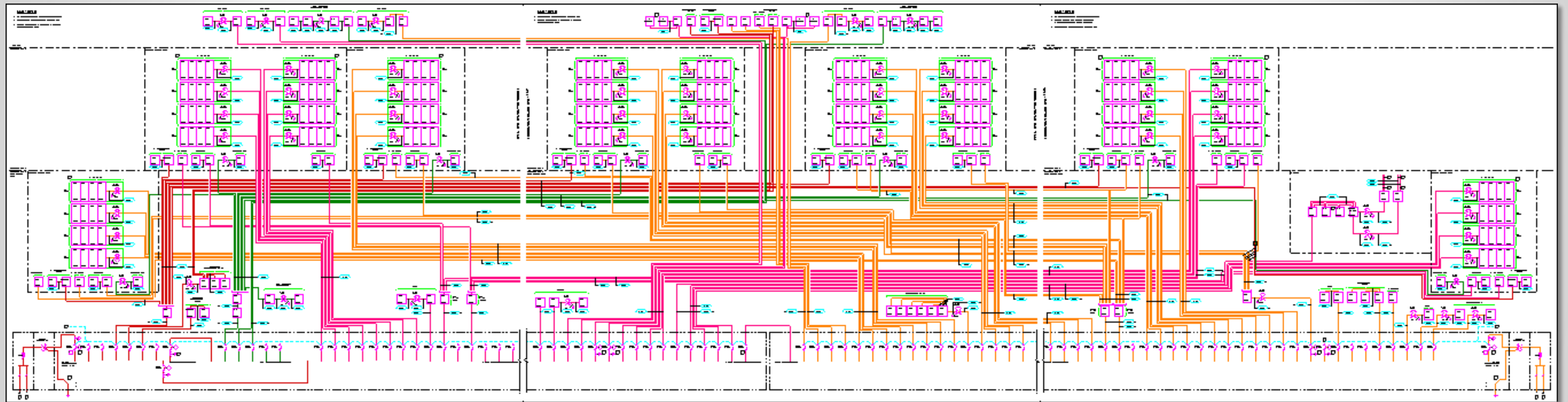
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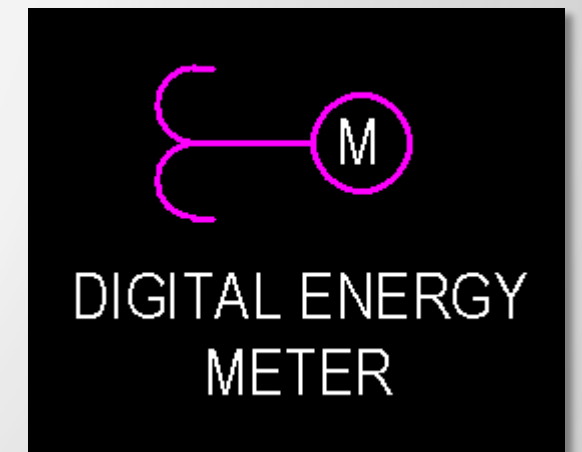
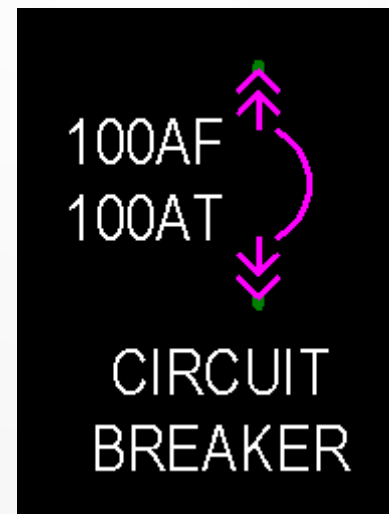
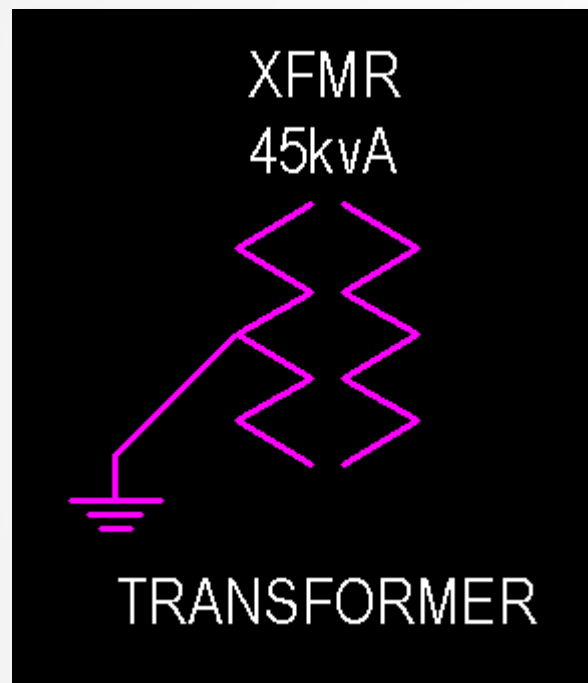
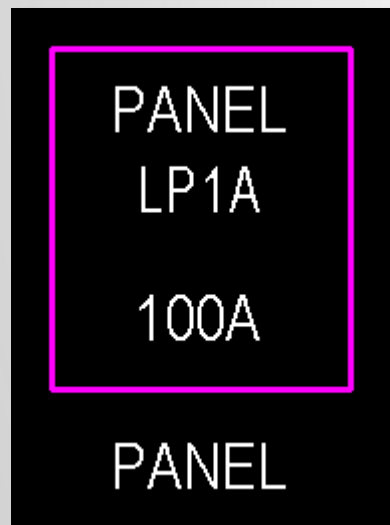
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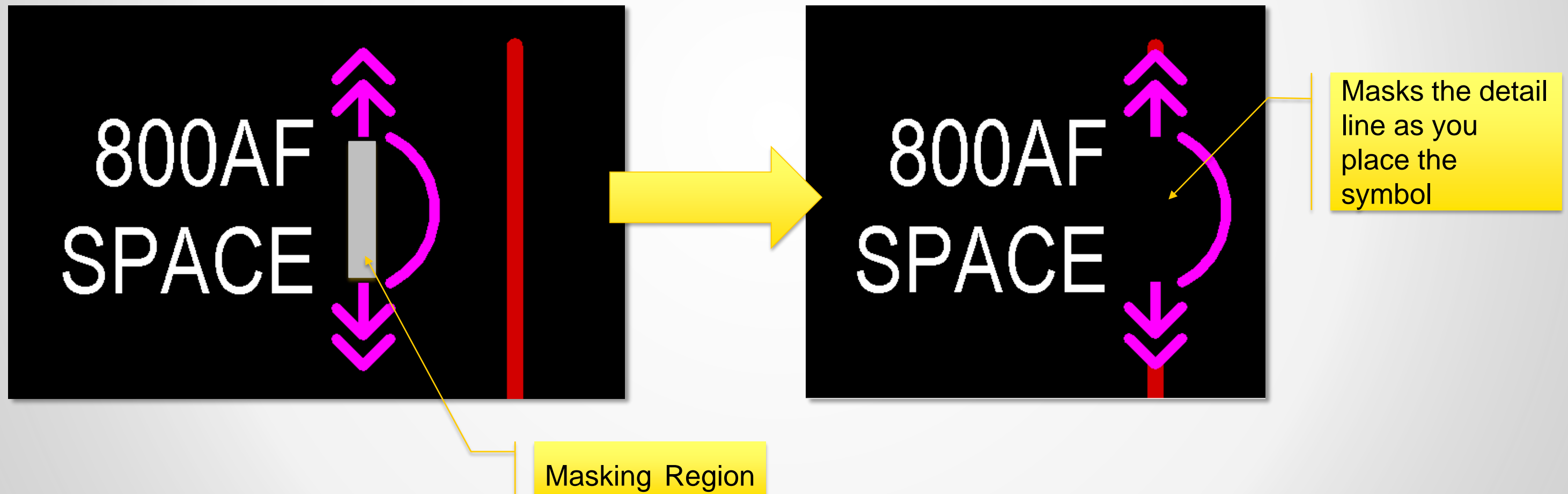
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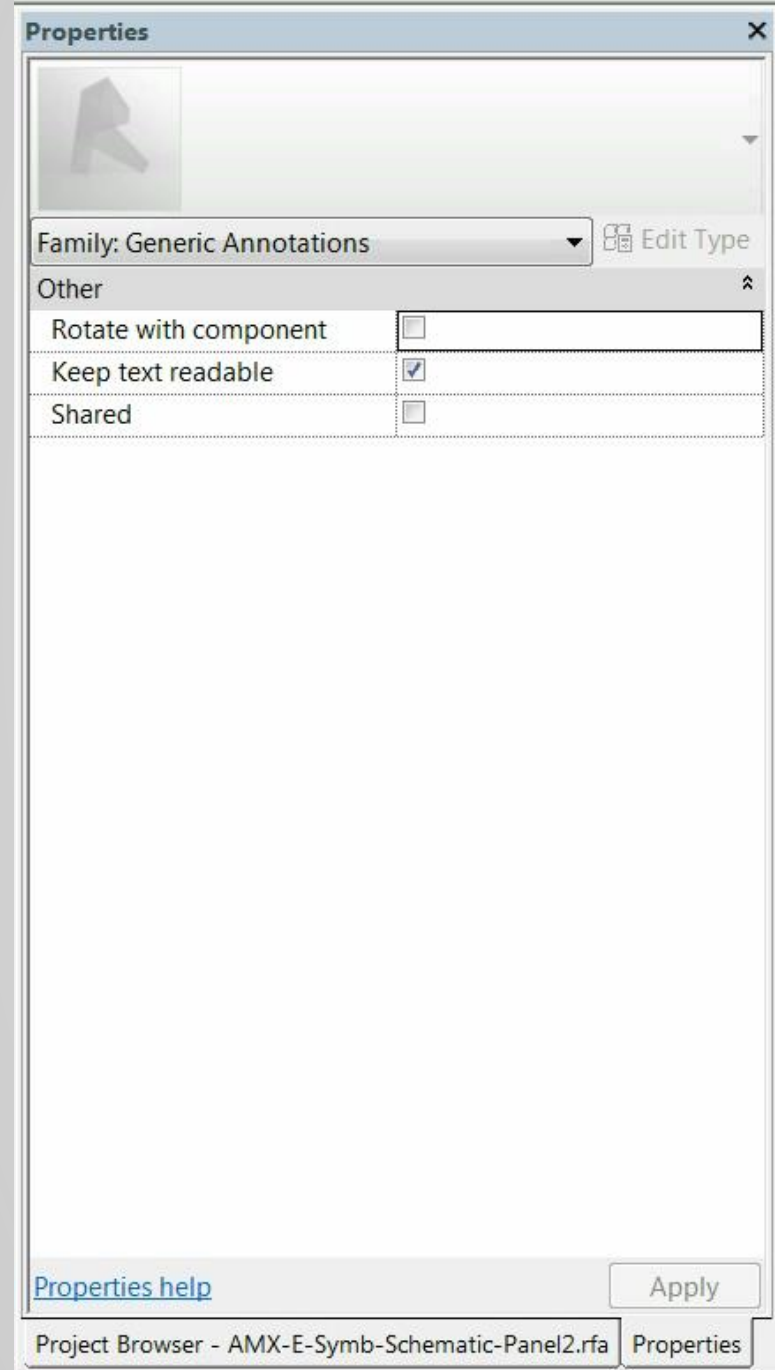
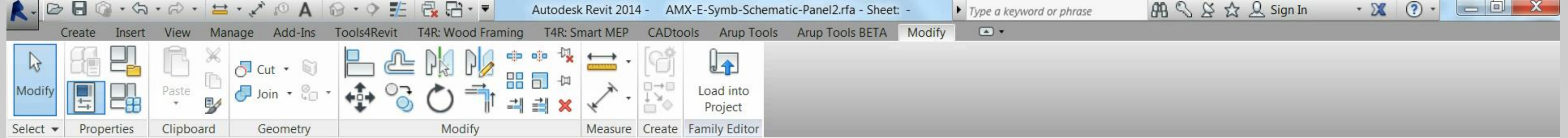
- Create all your content



# Techniques for Efficient Diagrams in Revit

- Make good use of masking region when creating content





EQUIPMENT TYPE  
PANEL NAME  
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Sample Project - Elec.rvt - Floor Plan: E300 - Diagram - Sheet 1

Architecture Systems Insert Annotate Analyze Collaborate View Manage Add-Ins Tools4Revit T4R: Wood Framing T4R: Smart MEP CADtools Arup Tools Arup Tools BETA Modify

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Properties

Floor Plan Power - Sheet

Floor Plan: E300 - Diagram - Sheet 1 Edit Type

Graphics

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Display Model	Normal
Detail Level	Medium
Parts Visibility	Show Original
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Graphic Display Options	Edit...
Underlay	None
Underlay Orientation	Plan
Orientation	Project North
Wall Join Display	Clean all wall joins
Discipline	Electrical
Color Scheme Location	Background
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Project Browser - Sample Project - Elec.rvt Properties

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# Techniques for Efficient Diagrams in Revit

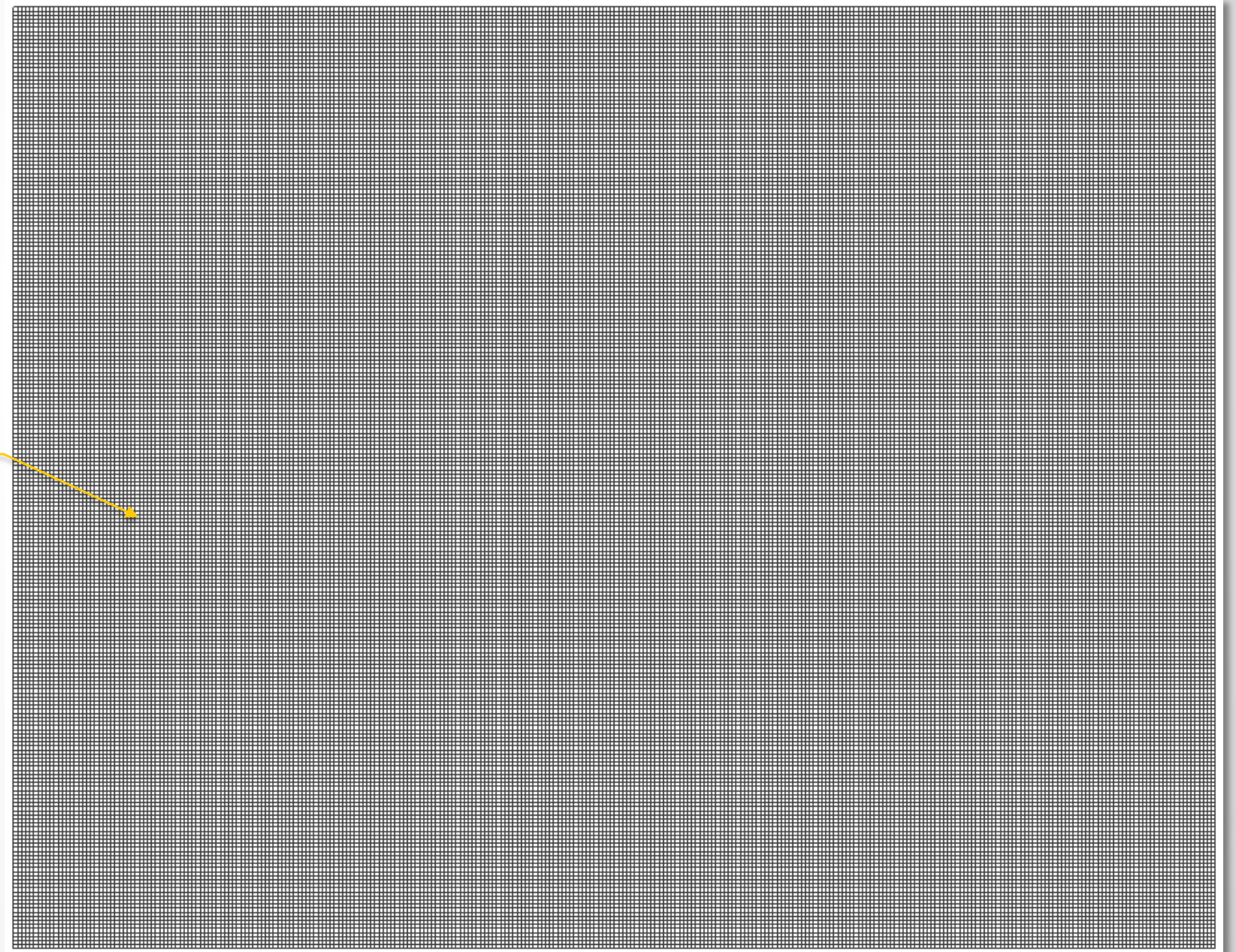
- Determine your sheet limits



# Techniques for Efficient Diagrams in Revit

- Create a grid guide in your drafting view or floor plan that matches your sheet limits

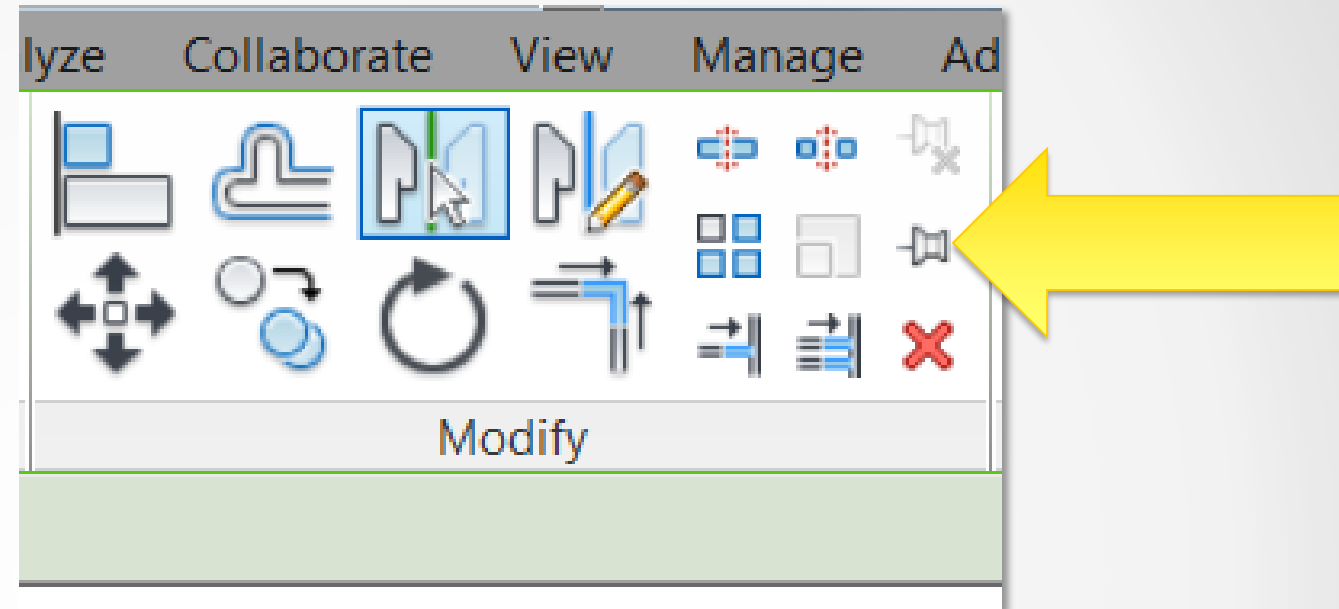
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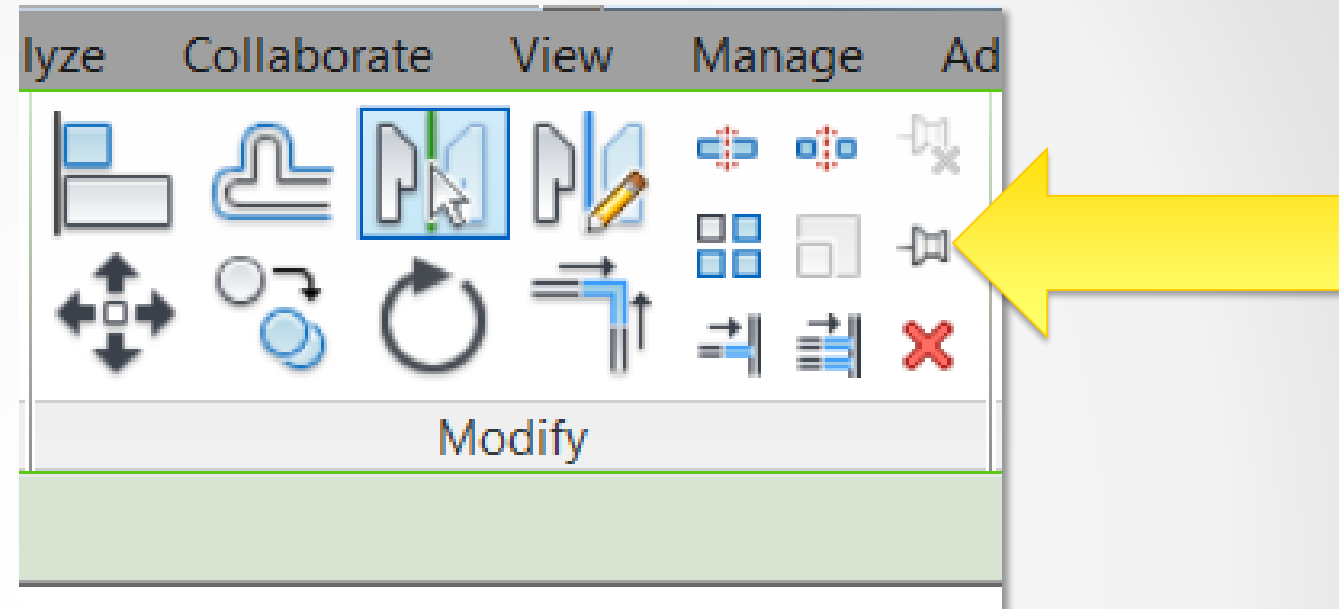
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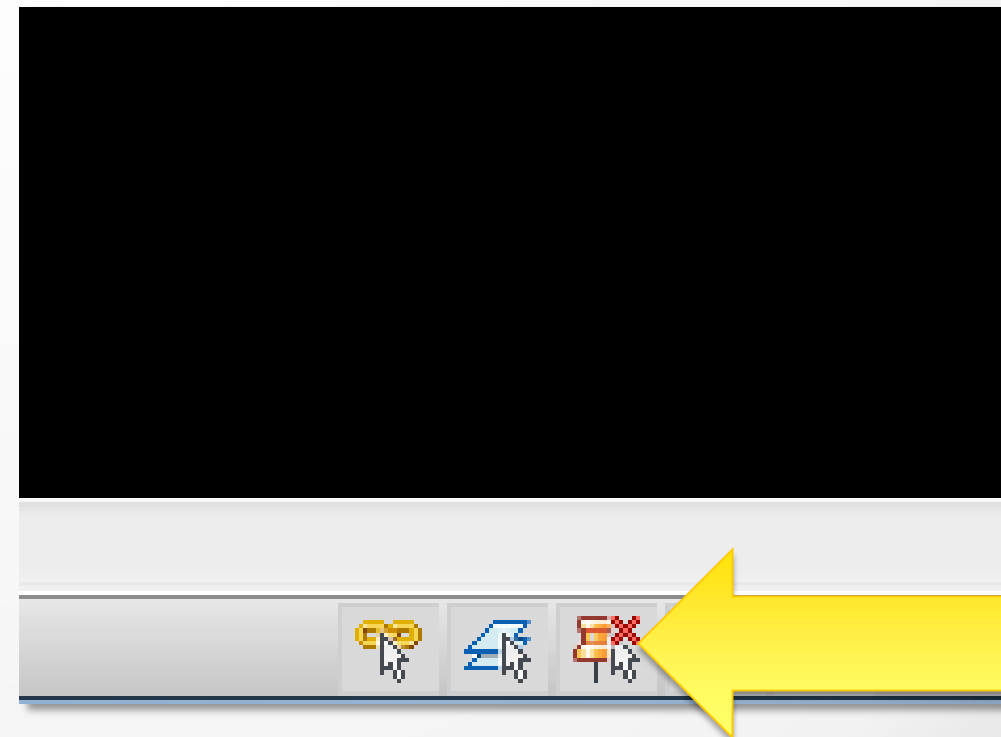


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- Click on the “Select Pinned Element” icon



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Default Analysis Display...	None
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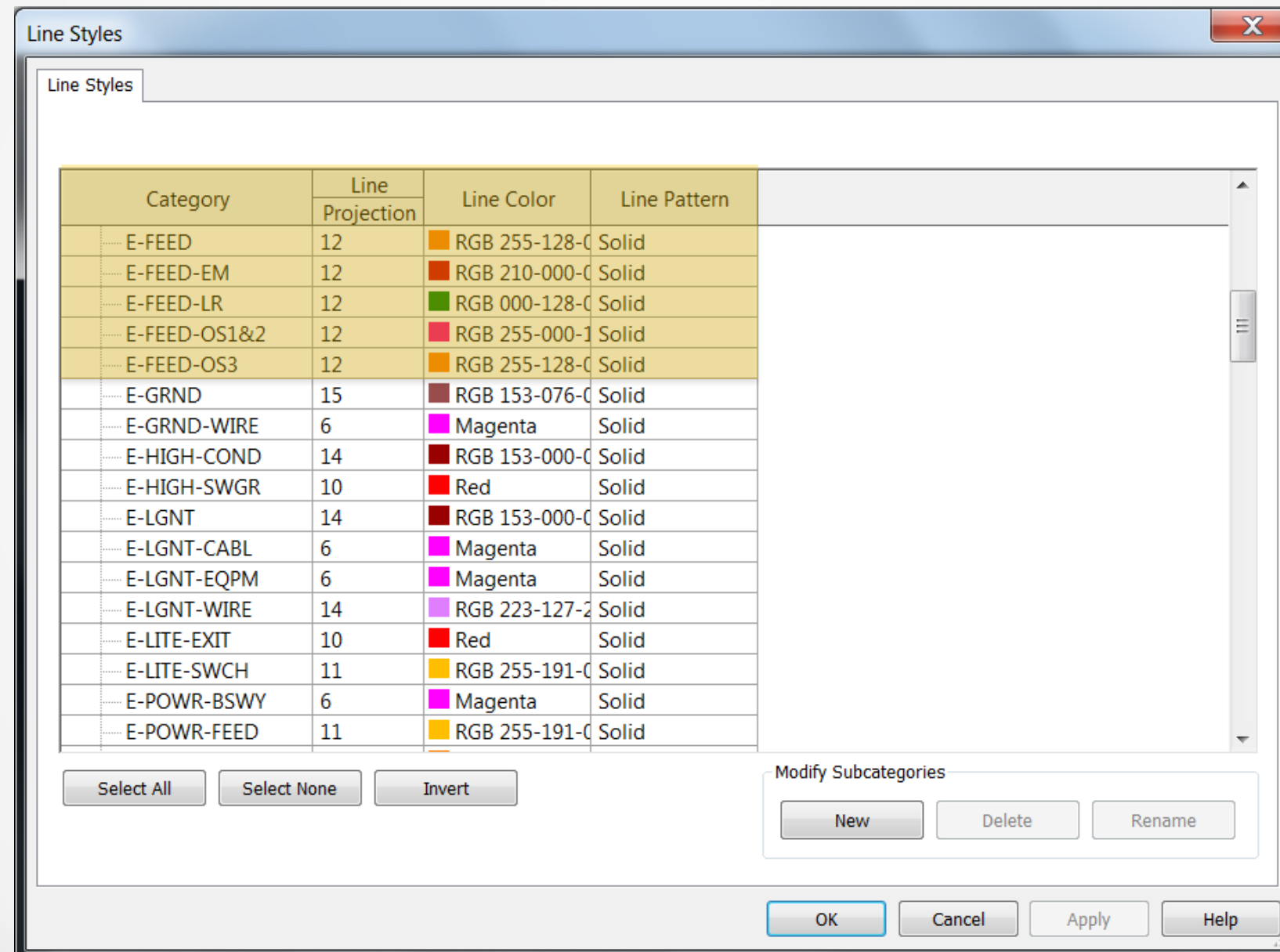
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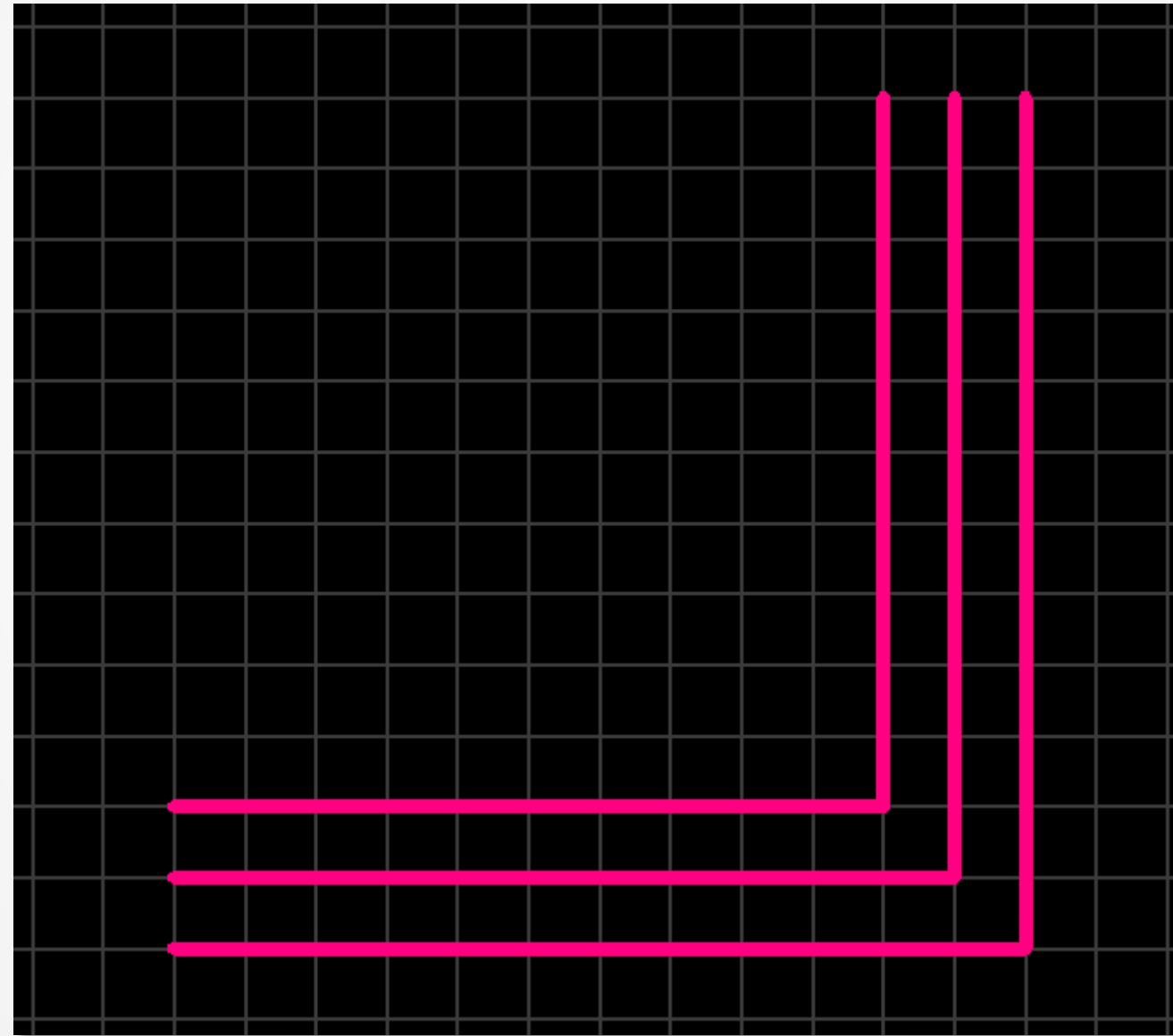
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- Create different line styles for each distribution branch



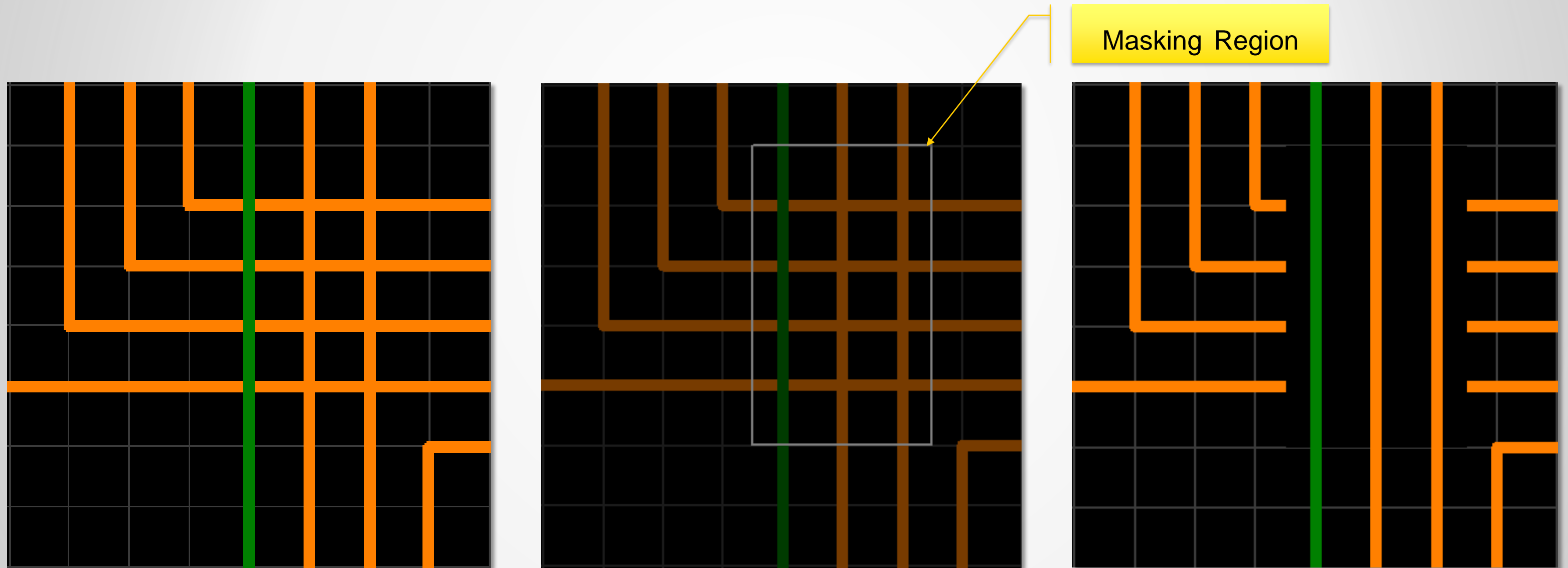
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- Utilize the grid guide when drawing detail lines



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- Use masking region, instead of splitting when lines intersect



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Project Browser - Sample Project - Elec.rvt

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- +- Ceilings
- +- Conduit Fittings
- +- Conduits
- +- Curtain Panels
- +- Curtain Systems
- +- Curtain Wall Mullions
- +- Detail Items
  - +- AMX-G-Symb-Loop-Head-Scale1
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  - +- AMX-G-Symb-Loop-Head-Scale96
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- +- Duct Linings
- +- Duct Systems
- +- Ducts
- +- Electrical Equipment
- +- Electrical Fixtures
- +- Flex Ducts
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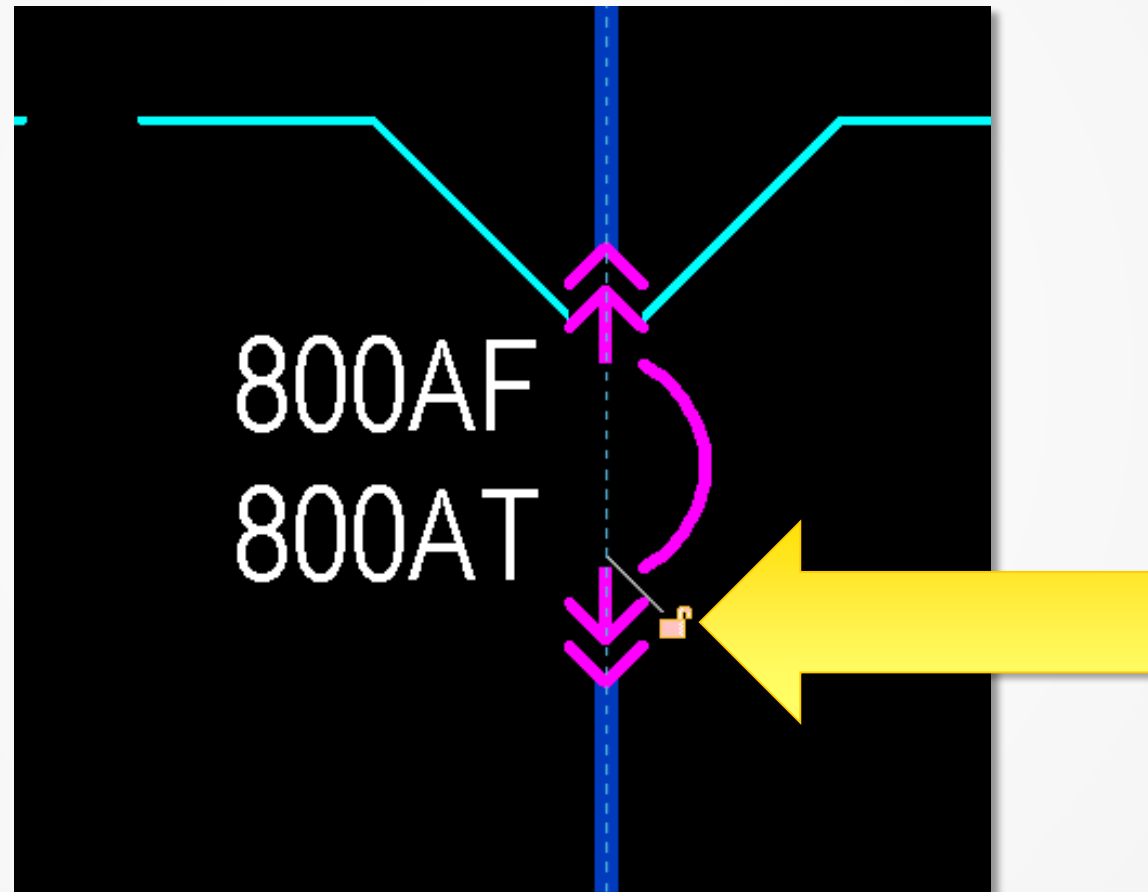
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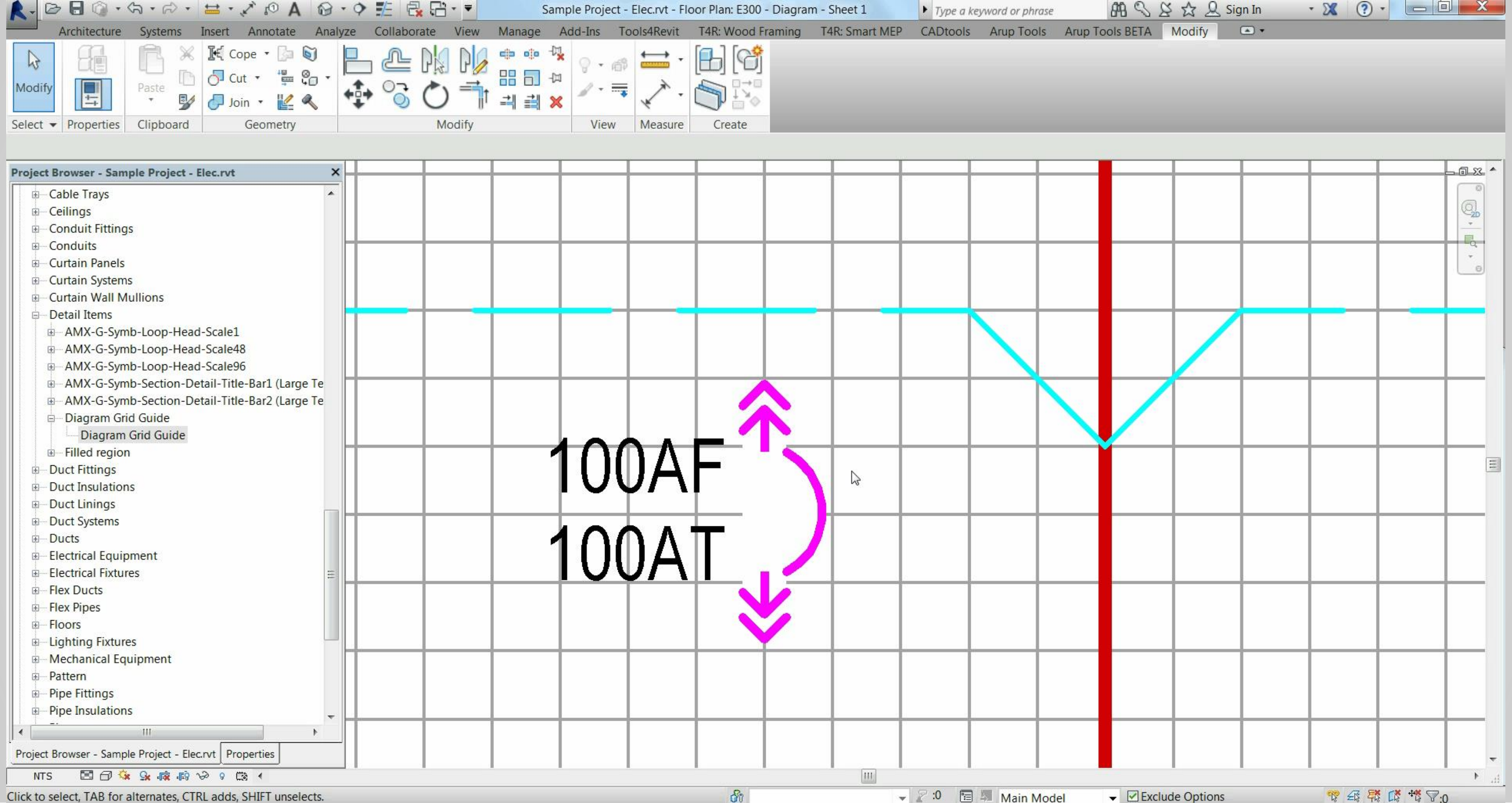
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# Techniques for Efficient Diagrams in Revit

- Lock generic annotations (symbols) onto the detail lines





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- Turn off the grid guide through visibility graphics before you print



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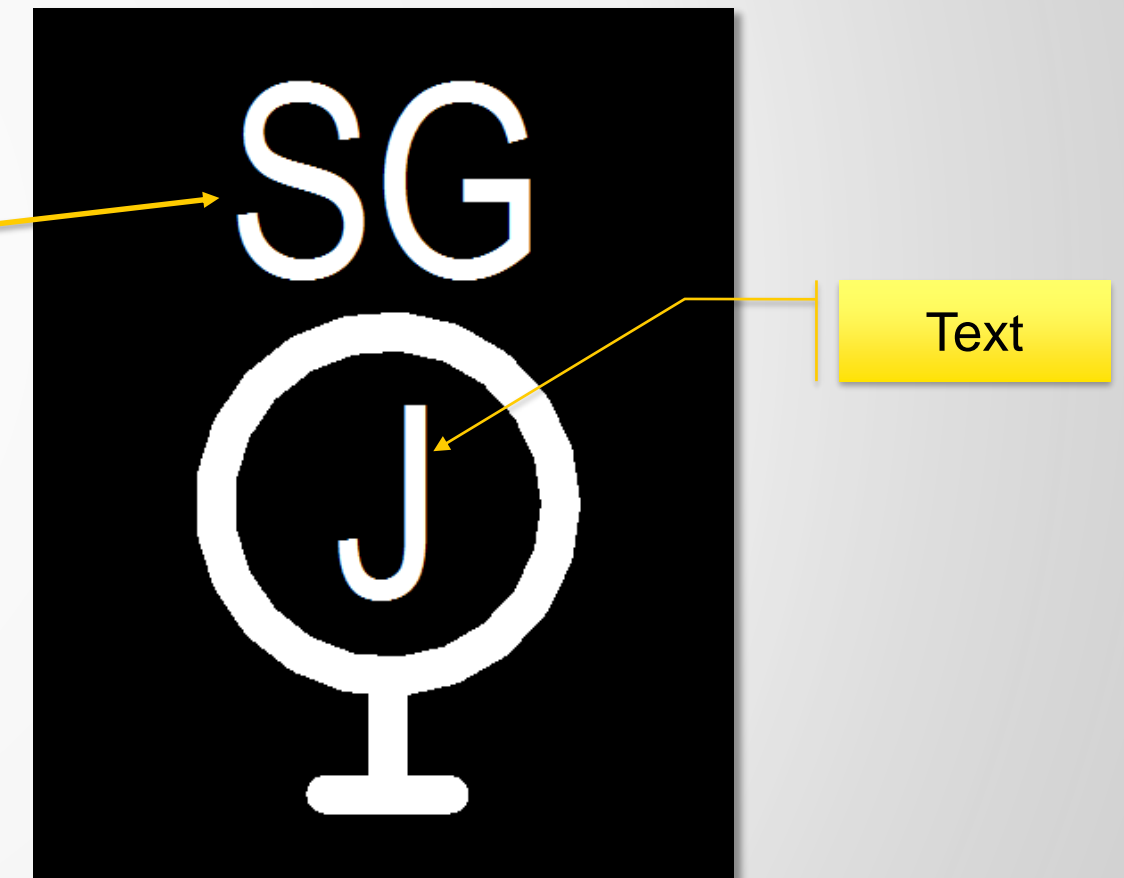
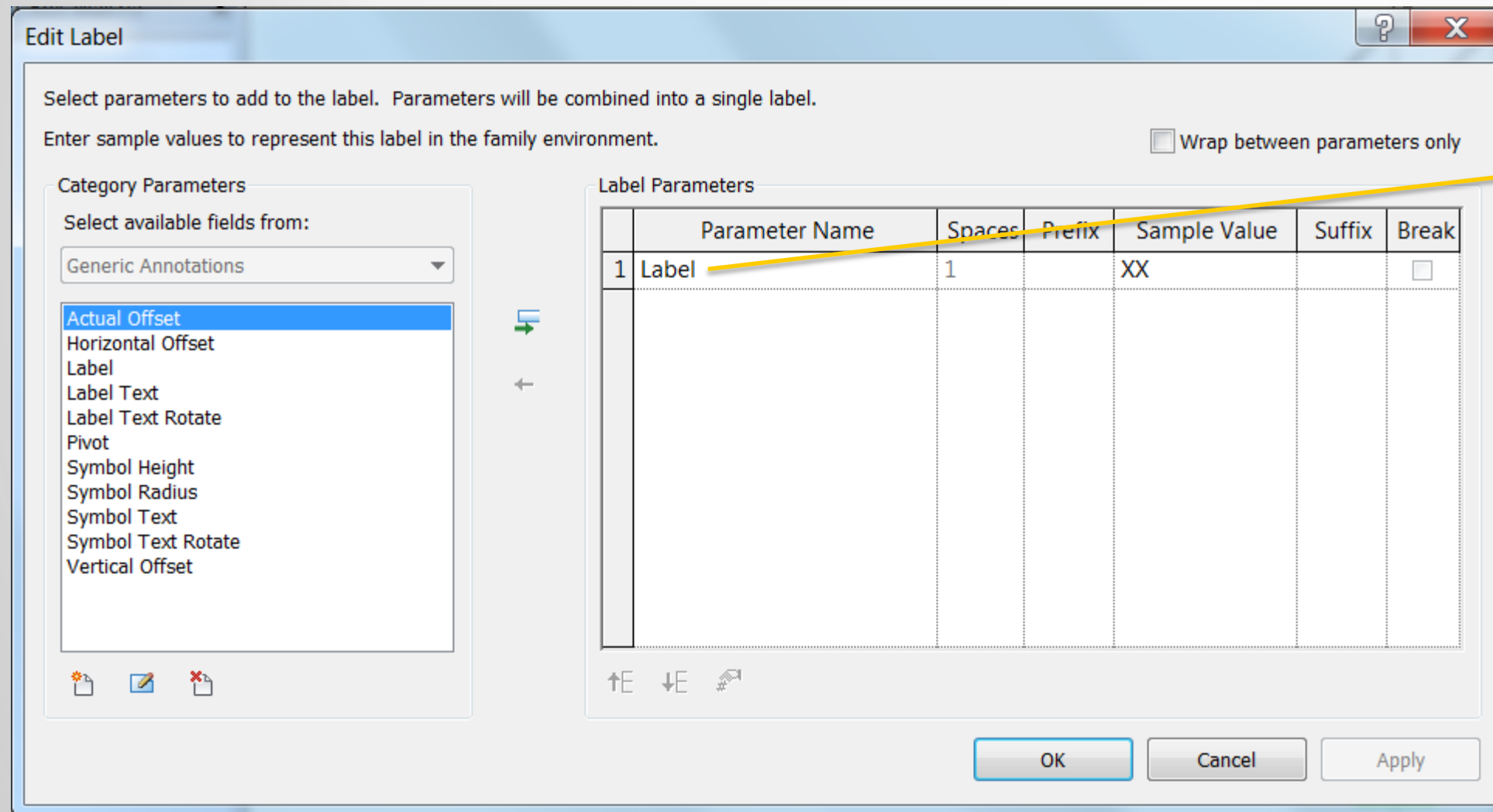
**Plan ahead and develop a strategy prior to creating families and consider the following:**

- Naming Standards
- Visibility
- Text
- Label
- Shared Parameters
- Formulas
- Type or Instance
- and many more...

# Efficient 2D Symbols and Modeled Families

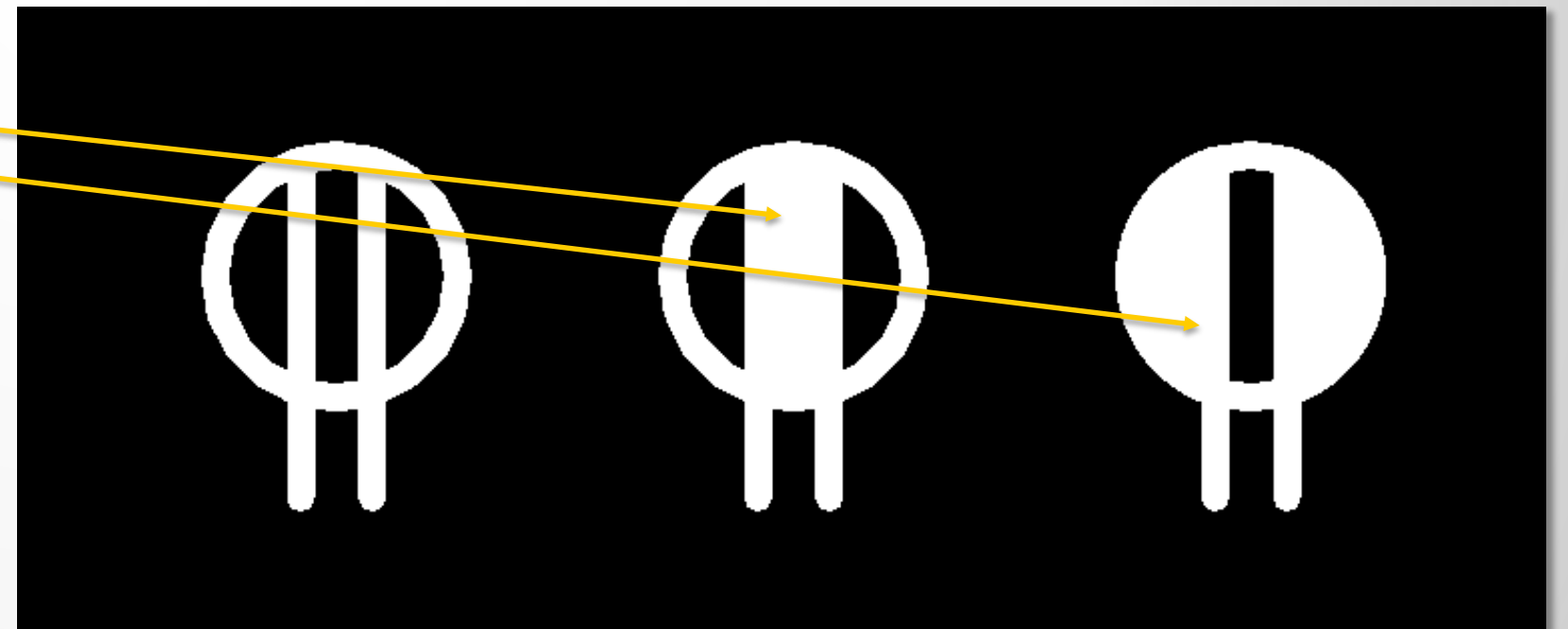
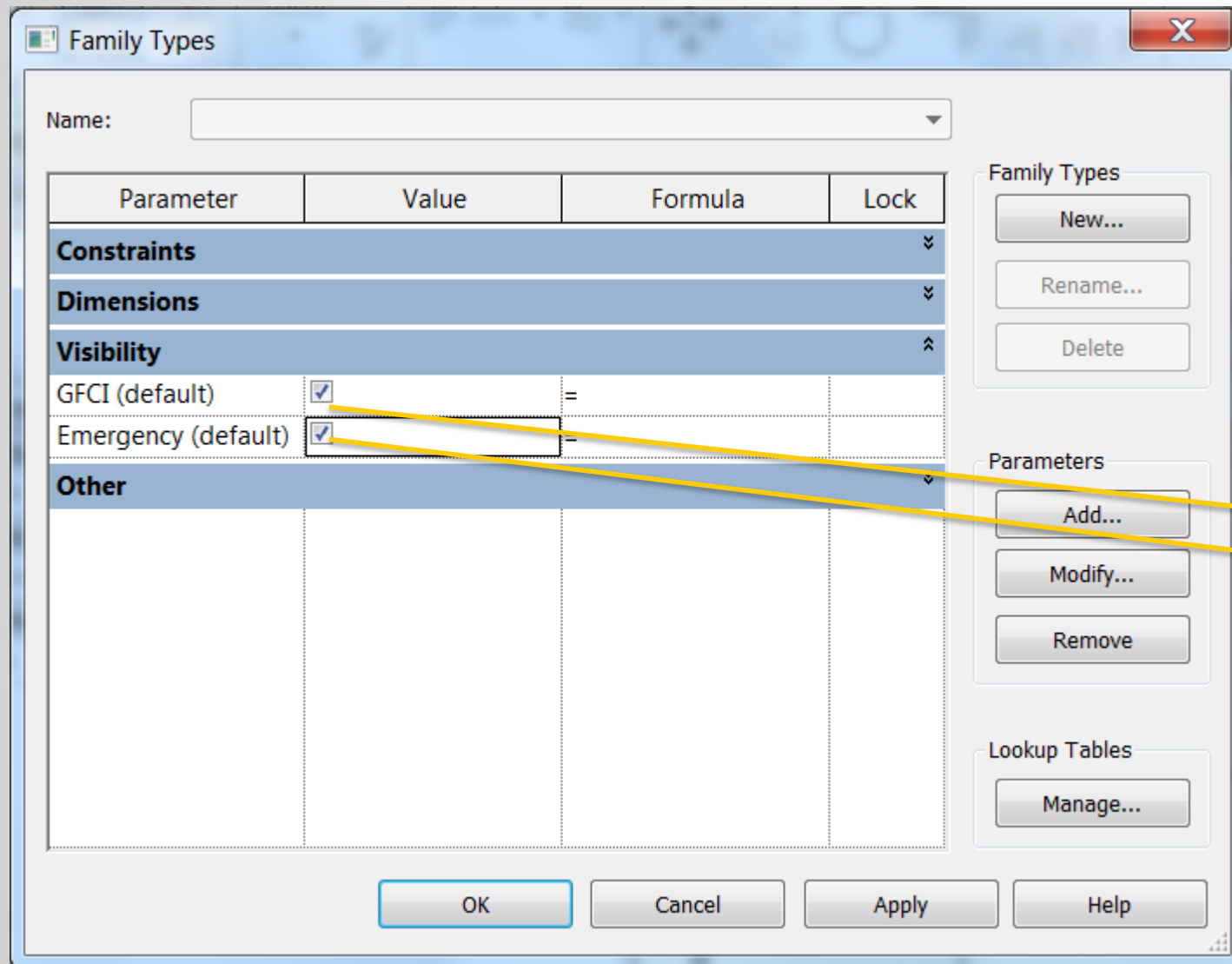
## 2D Generic Annotation Families

- Create all the labels and text as needed



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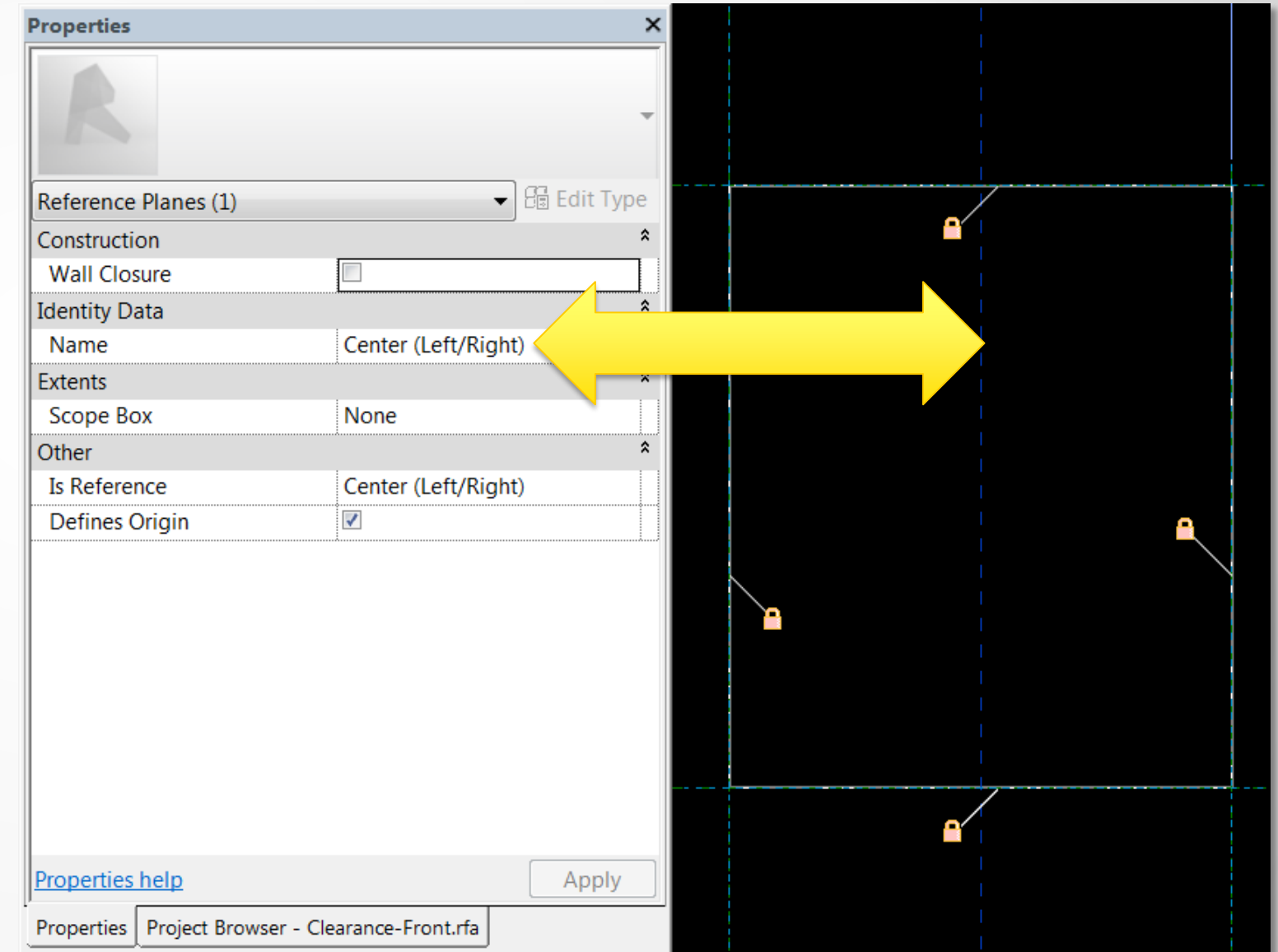
- Visibility using a Yes/No Parameter



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## For Modeled Families

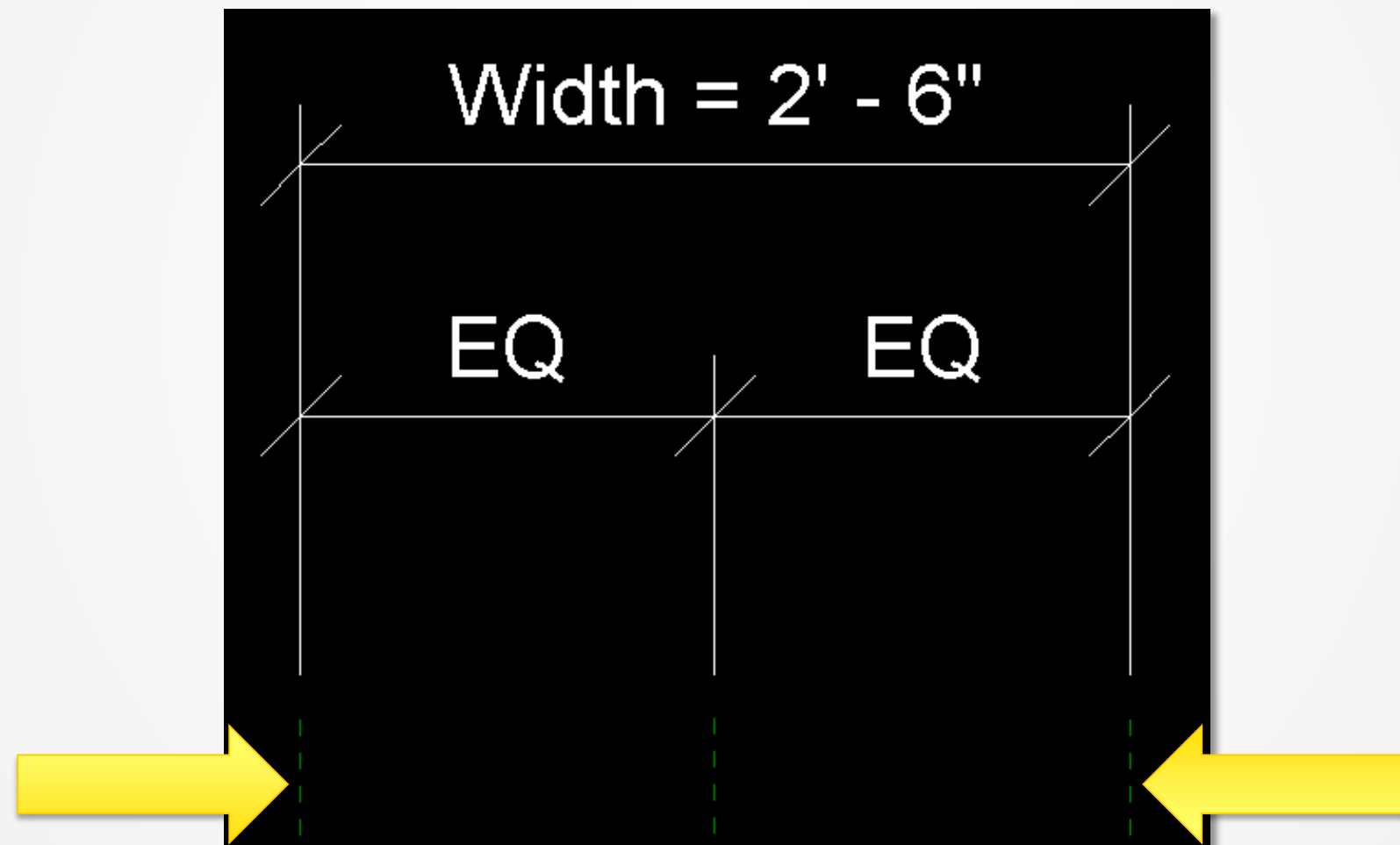
- Give your Reference Planes/Lines descriptive names





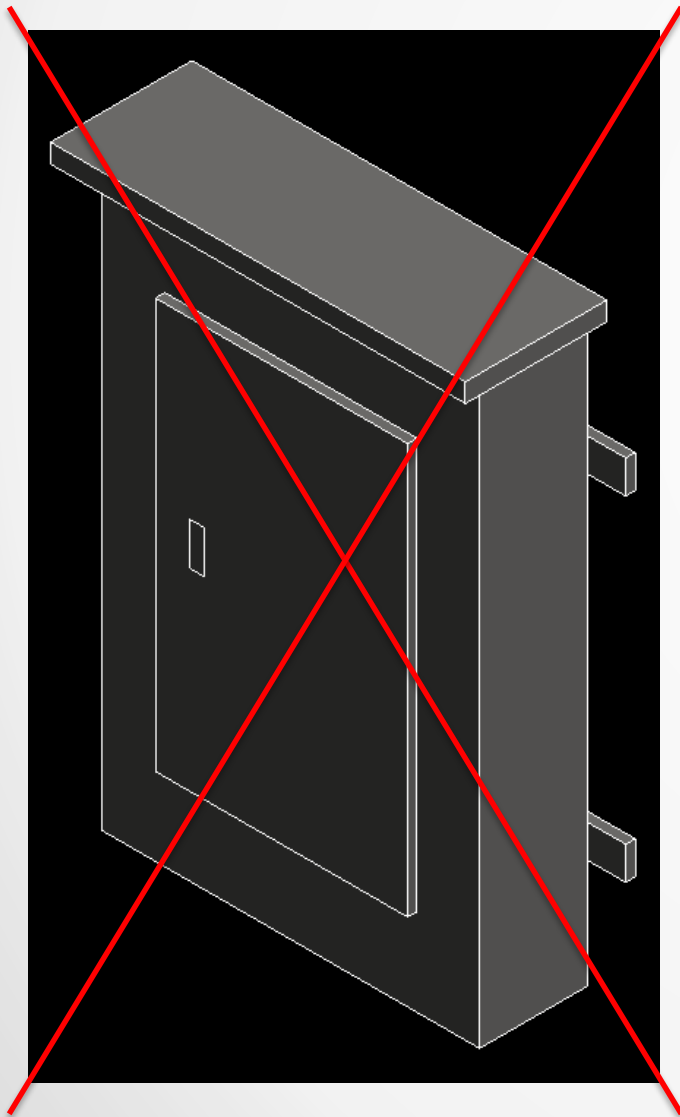
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- Set dimensions to reference planes or reference lines

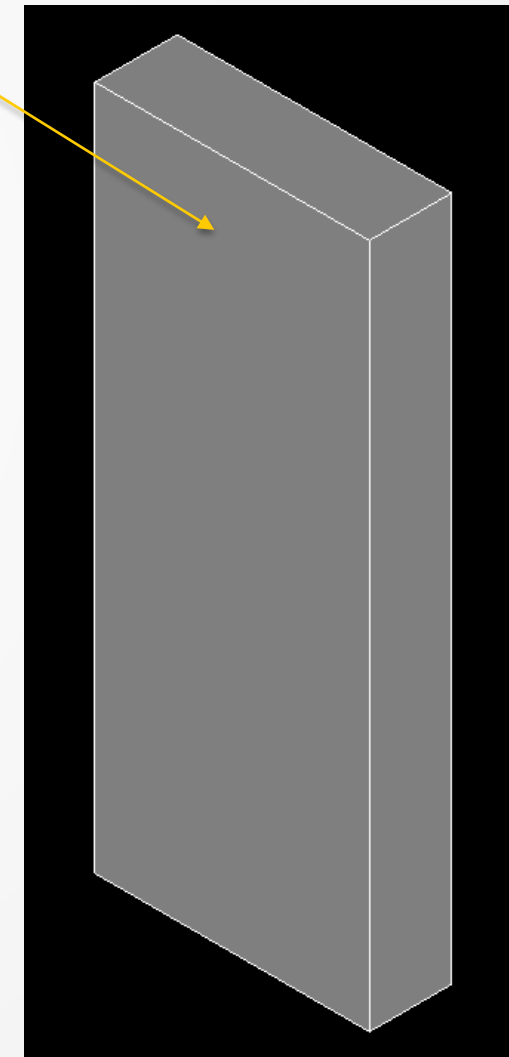


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- Keep the 3D Modeling simple

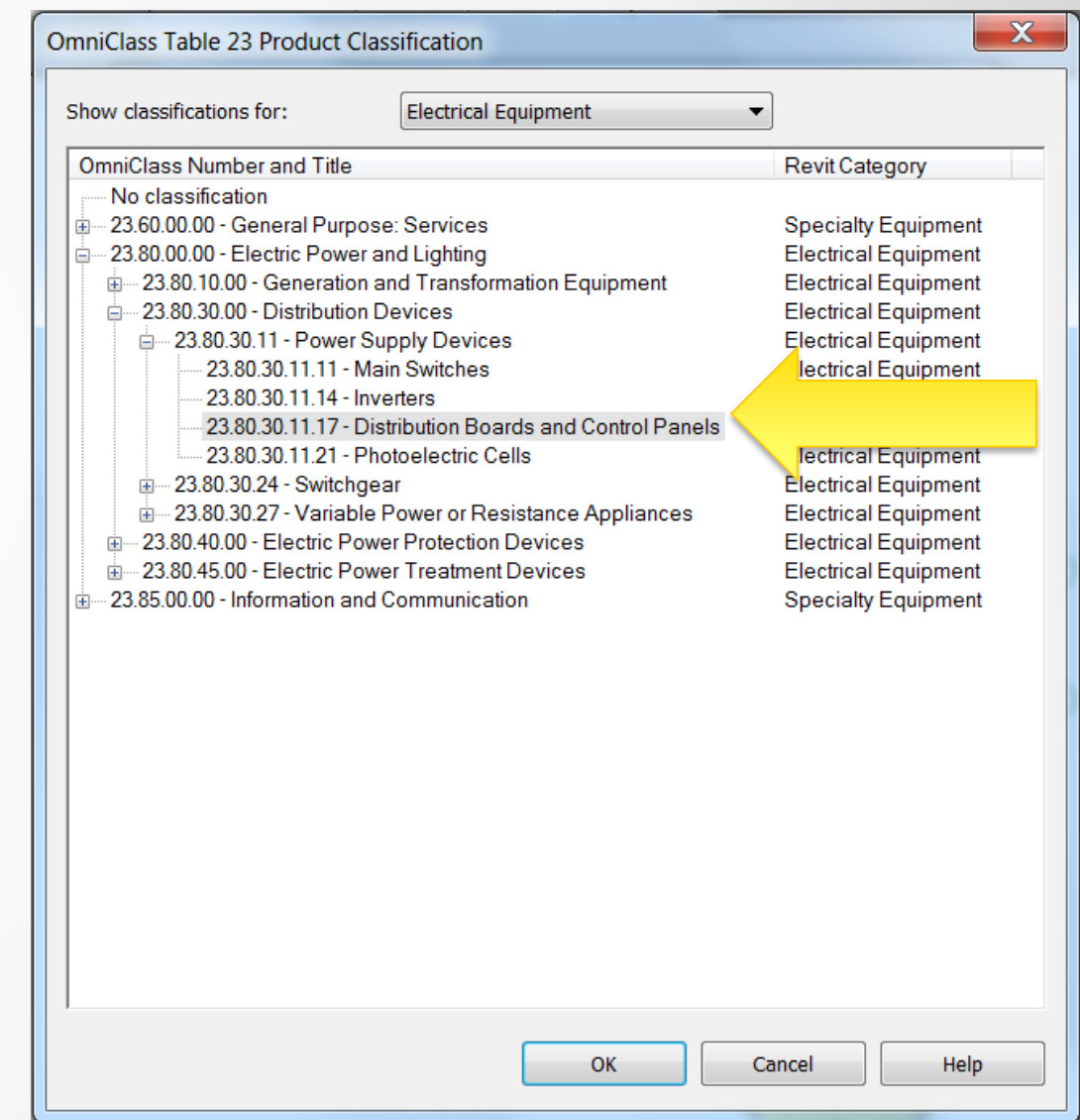
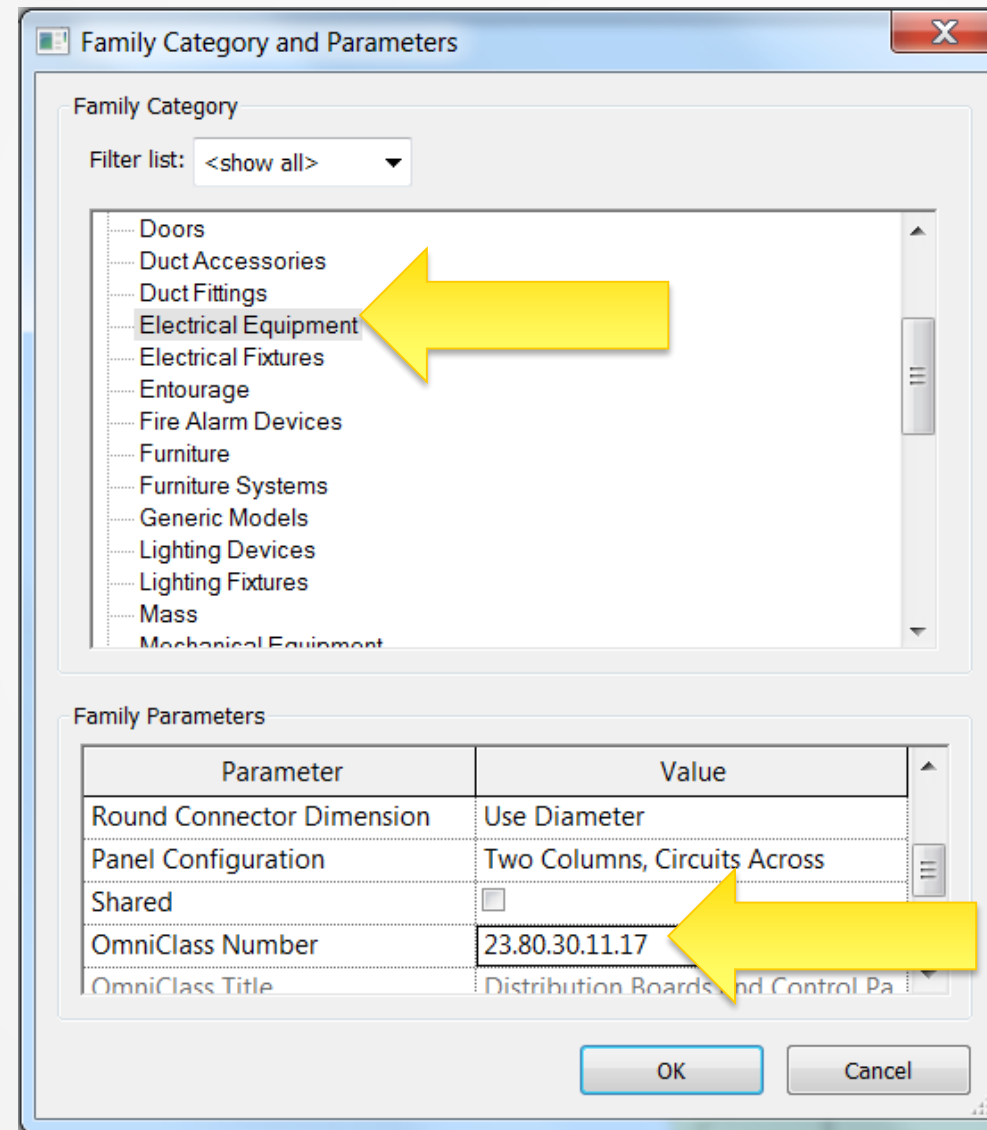
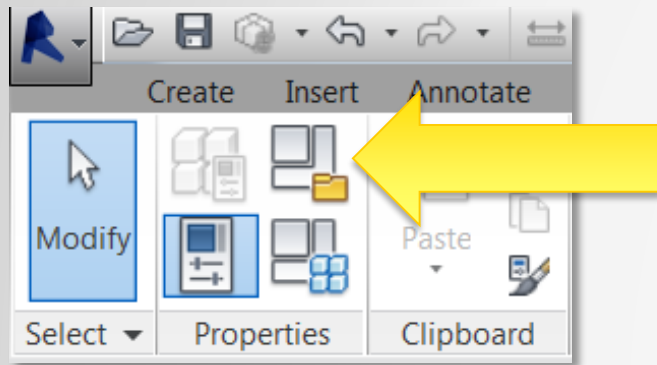


Panelboard shown in its overall dimension without the panel cover, mounting bracket, etc



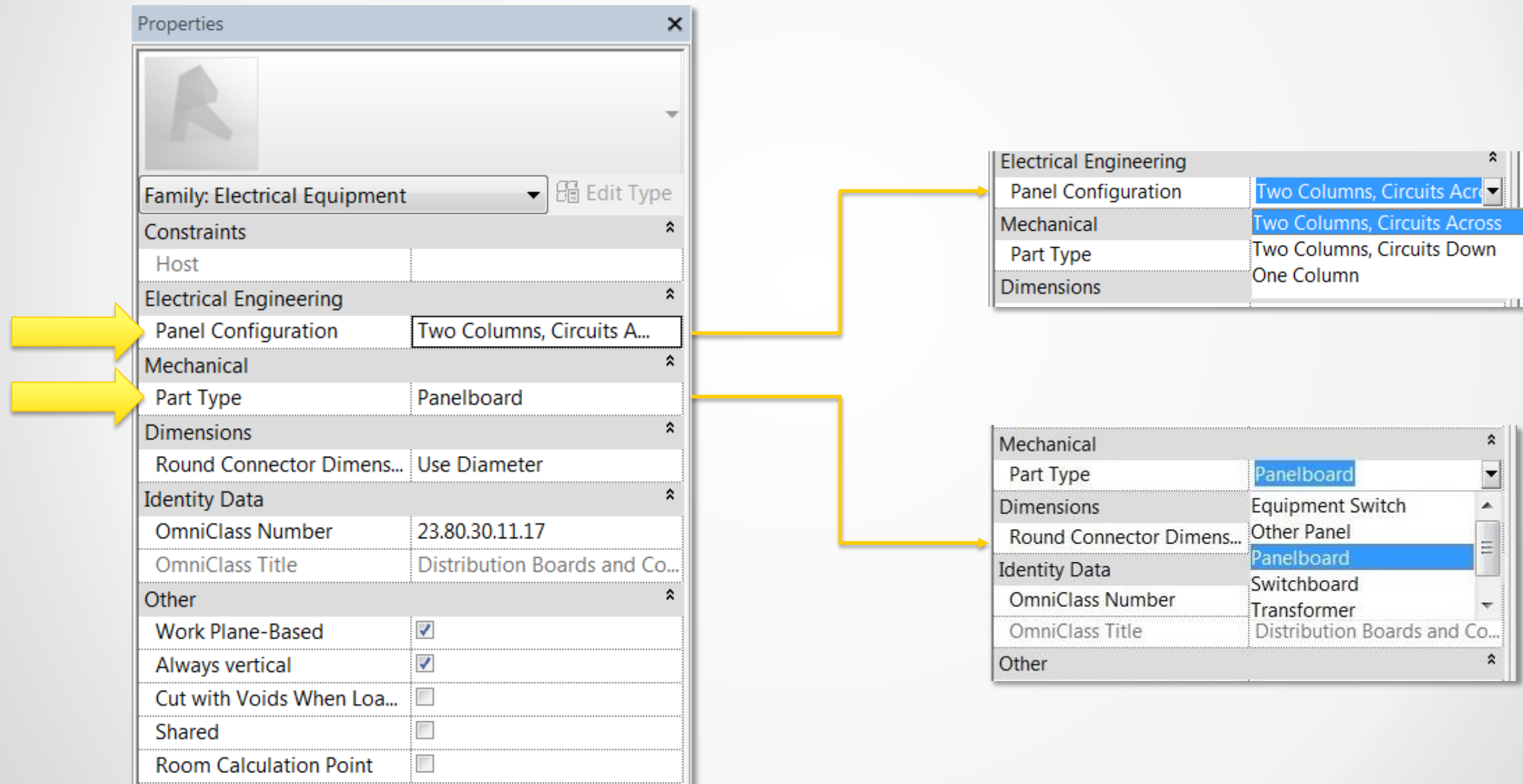
# Efficient 2D Symbols and Modeled Families

- Family Category, Parameters and Omni Class Number



# Efficient 2D Symbols and Modeled Families

- Part Type and Panel Configuration





# Efficient 2D Symbols and Modeled Families

- Family Types

Family Types

Name: 480V 3PH 15 HP

Parameter	Value	Formula	Lock
<b>Constraints</b>			
<b>Graphics</b>			
<b>Electrical</b>			
Phase	3.000000	=	
Number of Poles	3	=	
Load Classification	Motor	=	
Equipment Control Type (default)		=	
Disconnect Type (default)		=	
Disconnect Rating Current	0.00 A	=	
Control Combination (default)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	=	
<b>Electrical Engineering</b>			
Voltage	480.00 V	=	
Full Load Current	21.00 A	= if(HP Given, calc FLC HP Given, FLC FLA	
<b>Electrical - Loads</b>			
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FLC FLA Given	5.00 A	=	
Apparent Load	17451.00 VA	= if(or(HP Given, FLA Given), calc AL FLC	
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<b>Dimensions</b>			
<b>General</b>			
<b>Electrical - Circuiting</b>			
Trip Rating Current	40.00 A	=	
Ground Size	#10	=	
Conductor Size	#10	=	
Conductor Sets	1	=	
Conduit Size	1/2"	=	
<b>Other</b>			
<b>Identity Data</b>			

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New...

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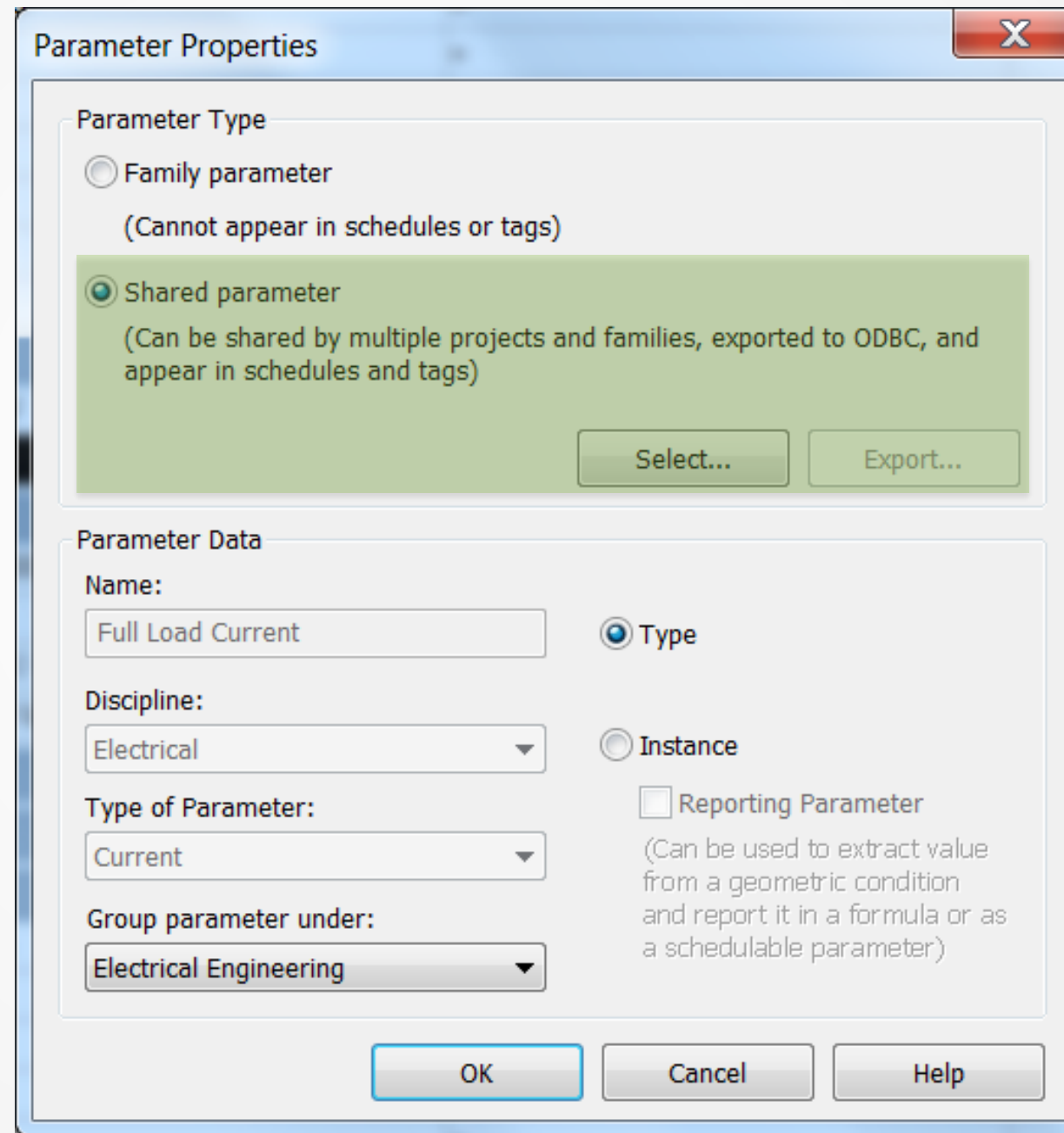
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# Efficient 2D Symbols and Modeled Families

- Scheduling



The screenshot shows the 'Parameter Properties' dialog box. It has a title bar with a close button (X). The dialog is divided into two main sections: 'Parameter Type' and 'Parameter Data'.

**Parameter Type:**

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(Cannot appear in schedules or tags)
- ☒ Shared parameter  
(Can be shared by multiple projects and families, exported to ODBC, and appear in schedules and tags)

Below the 'Shared parameter' option are two buttons: 'Select...' and 'Export...'.

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**Discipline:** Electrical

**Type of Parameter:** Current

**Group parameter under:** Electrical Engineering

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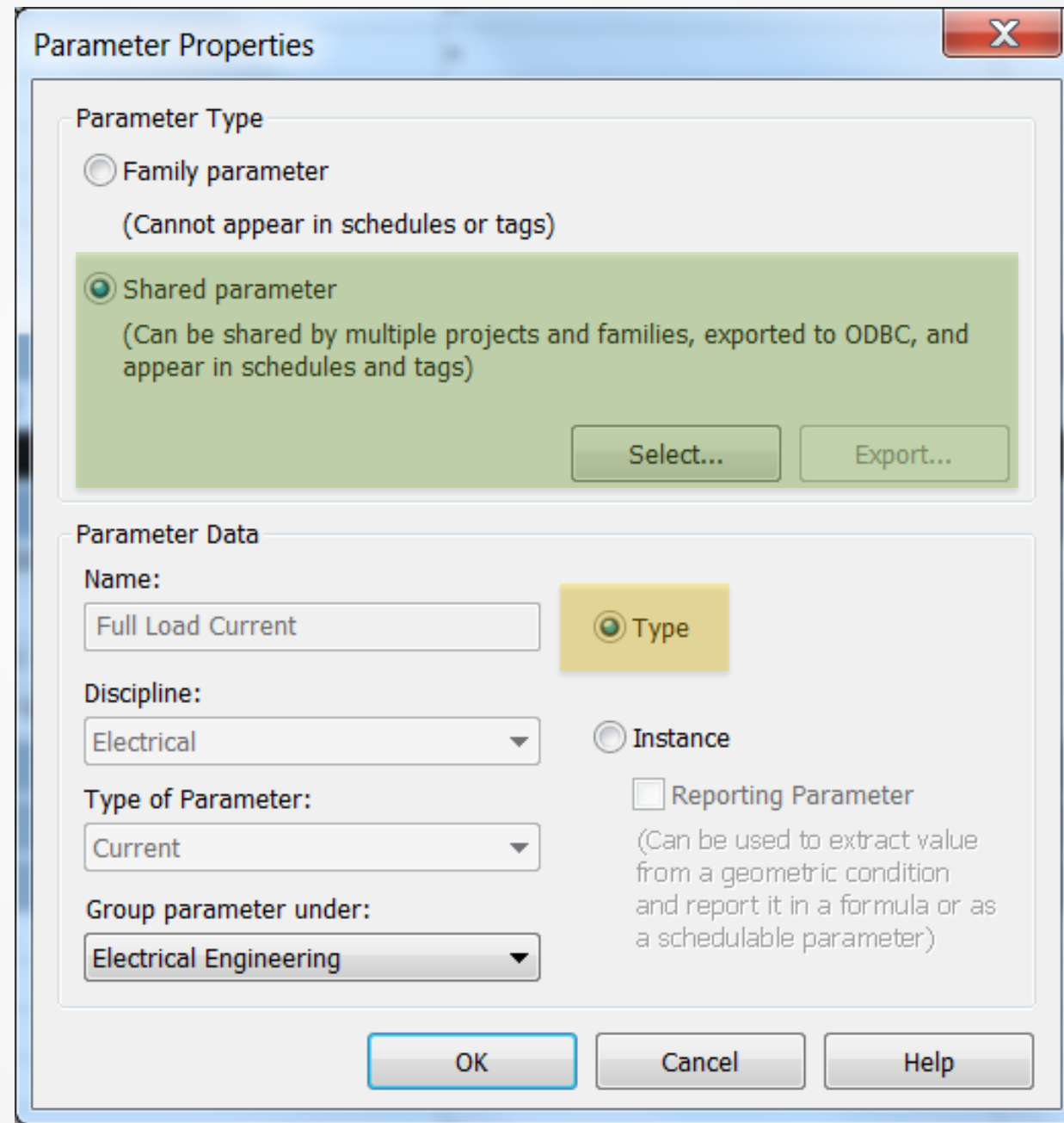
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- ☐ Instance

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(Can be used to extract value from a geometric condition and report it in a formula or as a schedulable parameter)

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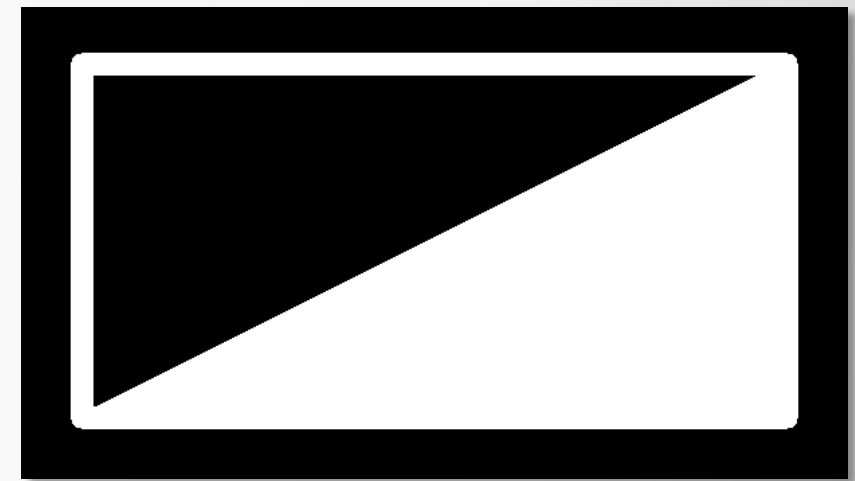
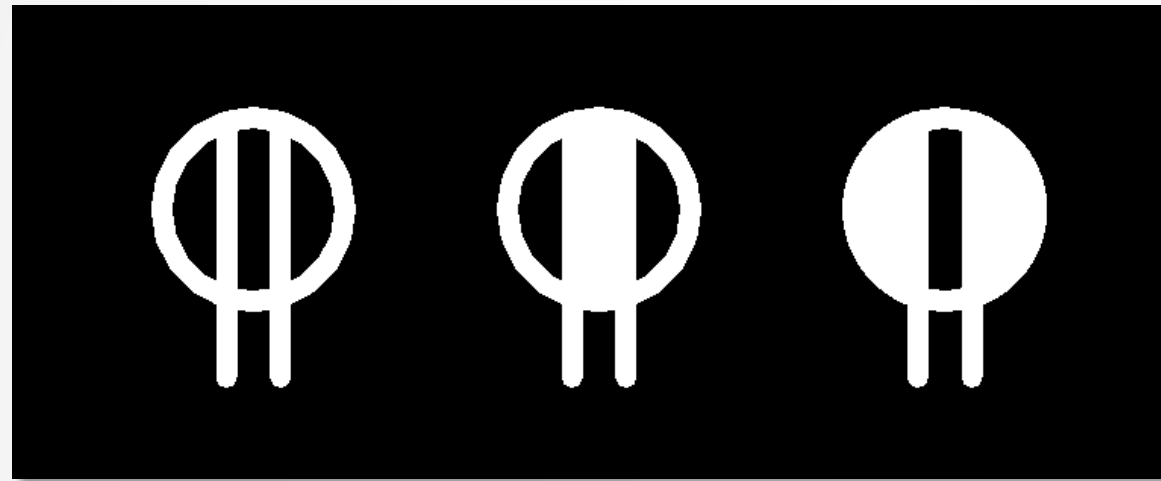
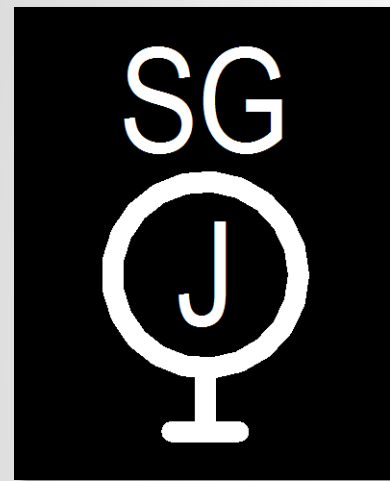
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# Efficient 2D Symbols and Modeled Families

- Annotation Symbols or Detail Items



DETAIL ITEM



ANNOTATION SYMBOLS

# Efficient 2D Symbols and Modeled Families

- Annotation Symbols or Detail Items
  - Nest the Annotation Symbol/Detail Item families

# Efficient 2D Symbols and Modeled Families

- Annotation Symbols or Detail Items
  - Nest the Annotation Symbol/Detail Item families
  - Make sure Symbols are per your firms standards

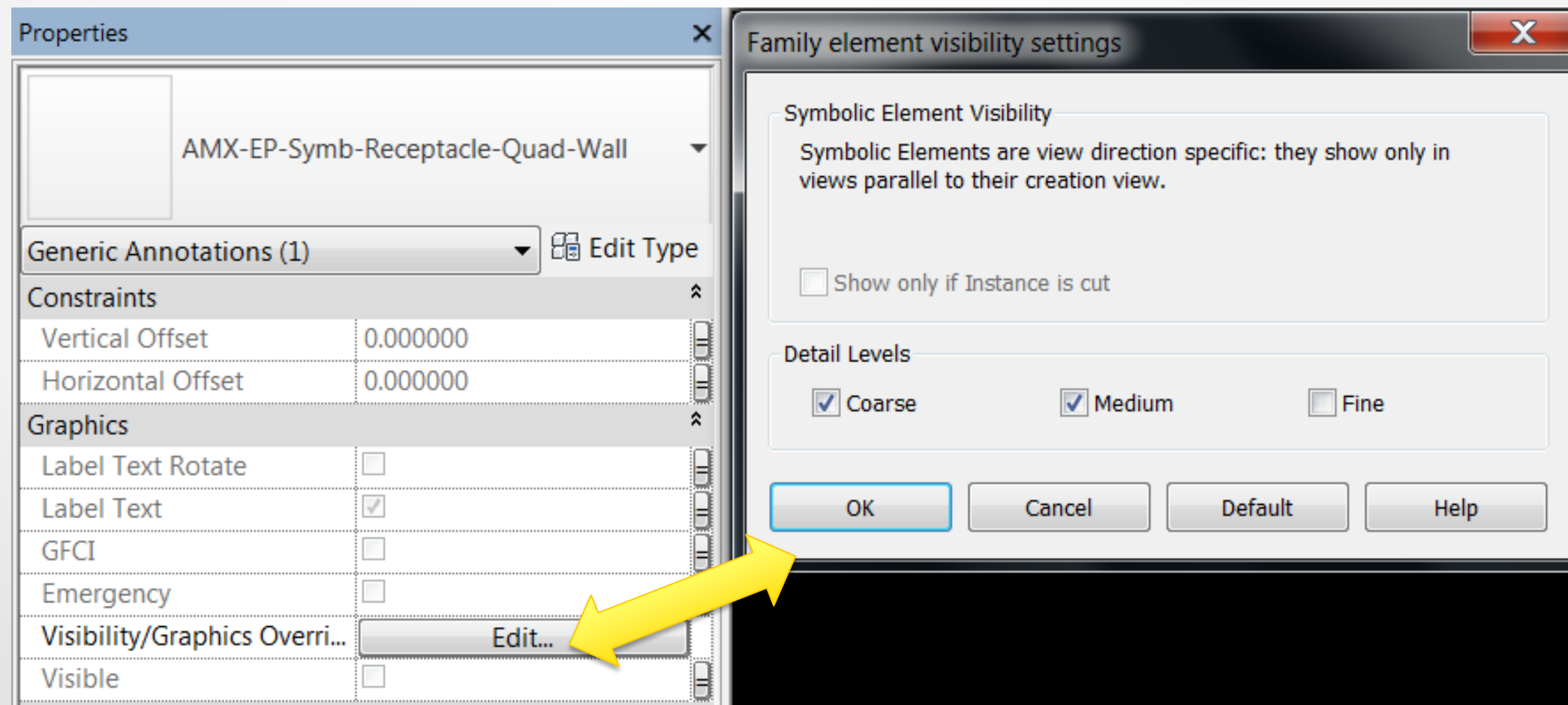
# Efficient 2D Symbols and Modeled Families

- Annotation Symbols or Detail Items
  - Nest the Annotation Symbol/Detail Item families
  - Make sure Symbols are per your firms standards
  - Determine if the Symbol(s) requires a Visibility option to display the Symbol or not and set the visibility correctly with a Yes/No Parameter



# Efficient 2D Symbols and Modeled Families

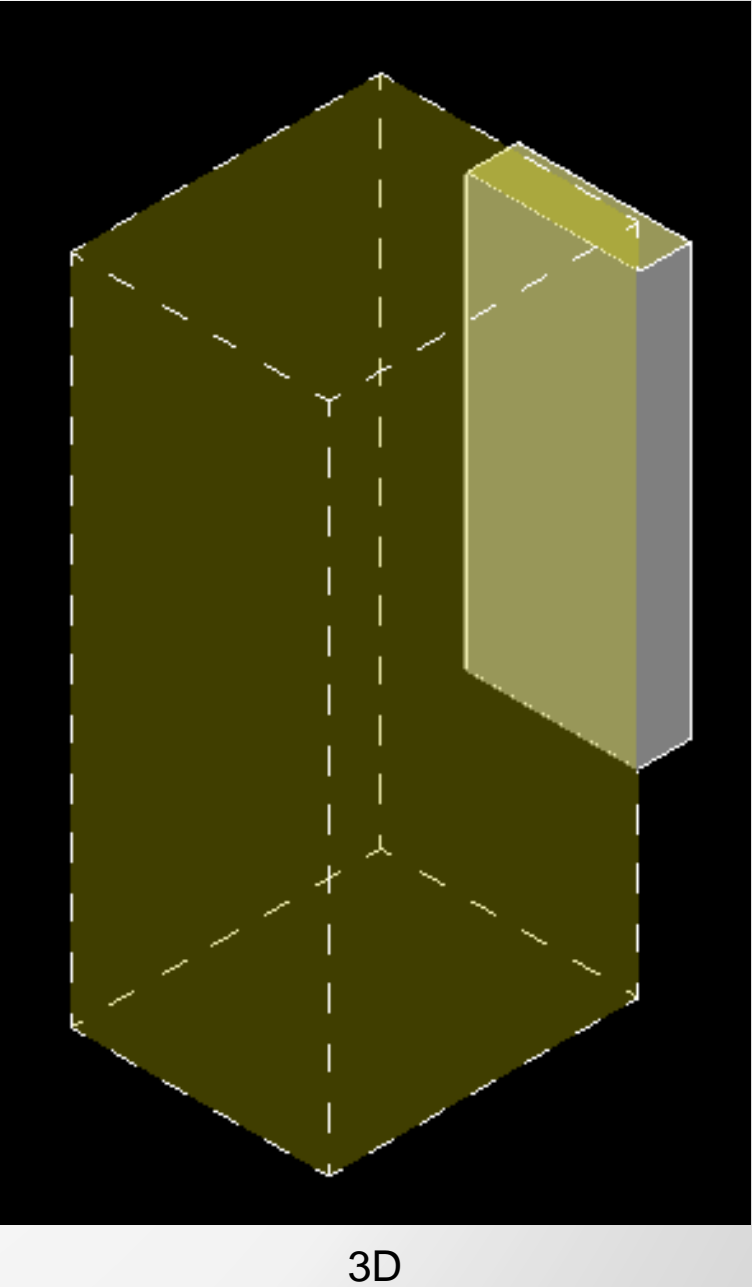
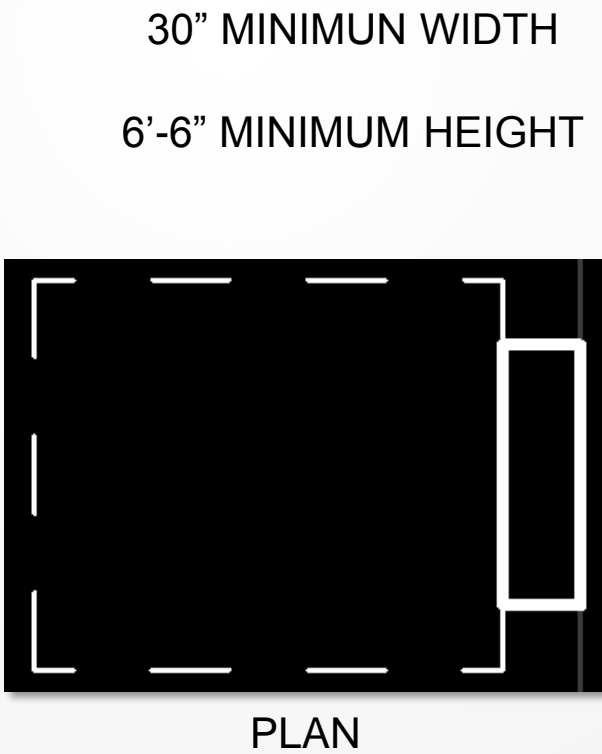
- Annotation Symbols or Detail Items
  - Set the Symbol(s) “Visibility/Graphics Overrides” to show only in Coarse and Medium Detail Level



# Efficient 2D Symbols and Modeled Families

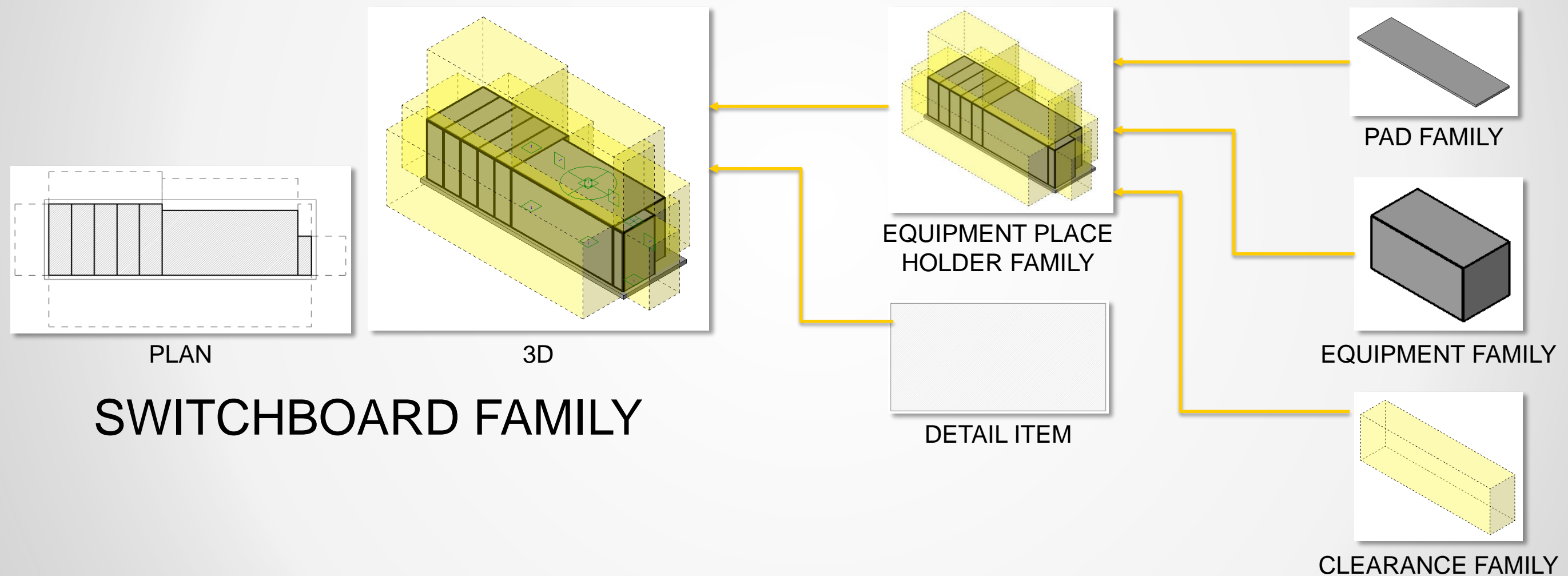
- Clearance

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Working Space Condition 2 (default)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Working Space Condition 1 (default)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Elevation (default)	4' 0"
Clearance Top Length (default)	6' 0"
Clearance Front Width (default)	2' 6"
Clearance Front Length (default)	3' 0"
Clearance Front Height (default)	6' 6"
Construction	
Materials and Finishes	
Electrical	
Number of Poles	3
Nominal Voltage to Ground	120.00 V
Load Classification	Other
Electrical Equipment Voltage	208.00 V



# Efficient 2D Symbols and Modeled Families

- Nest the different components of the family



# Efficient 2D Symbols and Modeled Families

- Connectors

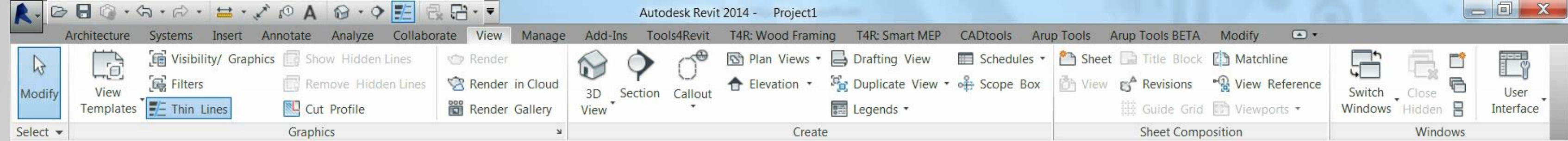
The screenshot illustrates the process of associating a family parameter with a connector element in Revit. It shows three main components:

- Properties Panel:** Displays the 'Connector Element (1)' and its parameters. The 'Apparent Load' parameter is highlighted with a yellow arrow pointing to the 'Associate Family Parameter' dialog.
- Associate Family Parameter Dialog:** A dialog box where the 'Family parameter' is set to 'Apparent Load' and the 'Parameter type' is 'Apparent Power'. The 'Existing family parameters of compatible type' list includes '<none>', 'AL VA Given', 'Apparent Load' (highlighted with a blue selection bar and a yellow arrow), and 'calc AL FLC Given'. The 'Add parameter...' button is at the bottom.
- Family Types Panel:** Shows the '208V 3PH VA' family type. The 'Electrical - Loads' section lists parameters: 'Motor HP' (0.000000), 'FLC FLA Given' (10.00 A), 'Apparent Load' (1000.00 VA), and 'AL VA Given' (1000.00 VA). A yellow arrow points from the 'Apparent Load' parameter in this panel to the 'Associate Family Parameter' dialog.



# Efficient 2D Symbols and Modeled Families

- Test your family



**Properties**

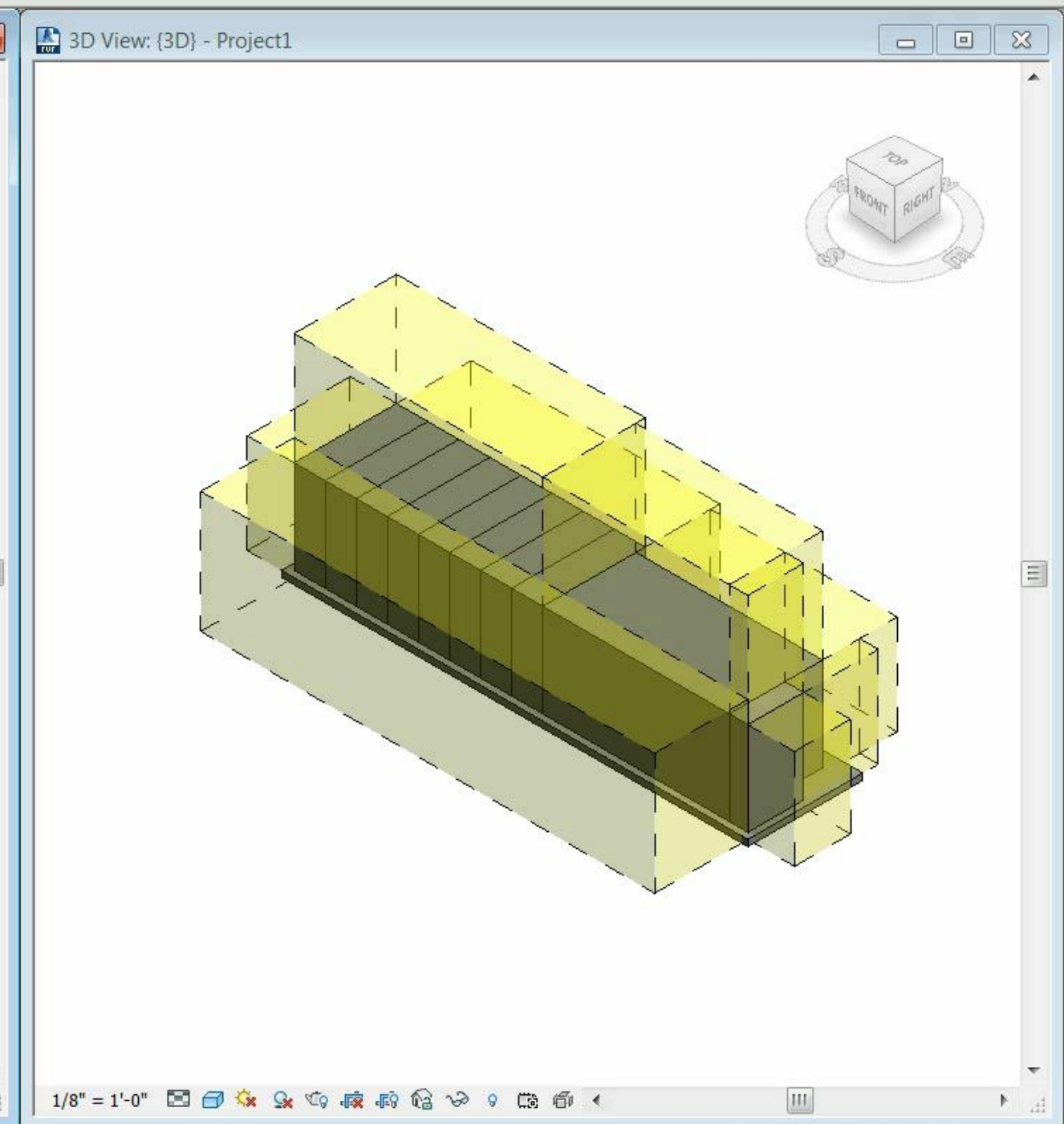
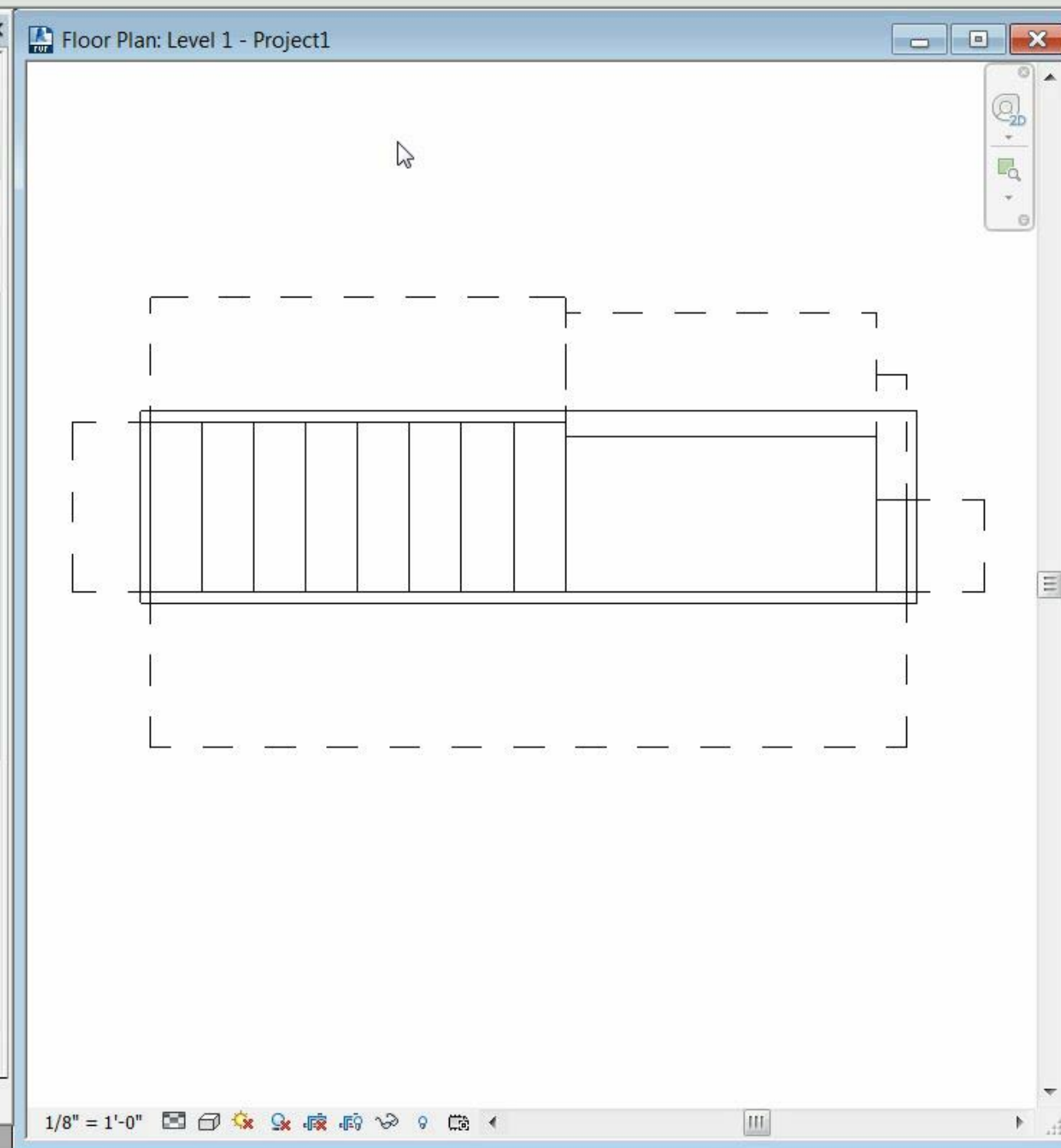
Floor Plan

Floor Plan: Level 1 Edit Type

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Scale Value 1:	96
Display Model	Normal
Detail Level	Medium
Parts Visibility	Show Original
Visibility/Graphics Overrides	Edit...
Graphic Display Options	Edit...
Underlay	None
Underlay Orientation	Plan
Orientation	Project North
Wall Join Display	Clean all wall joins
Discipline	Electrical
Color Scheme Location	Background
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System Color Schemes	Edit...
Default Analysis Display S...	None
Sun Path	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Identity Data</b>	
View Template	<None>
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Referencing Sheet	

Properties help Apply

Project Browser - Project1 Properties



Click to select, TAB for alternates, CTRL adds, SHIFT unselects.



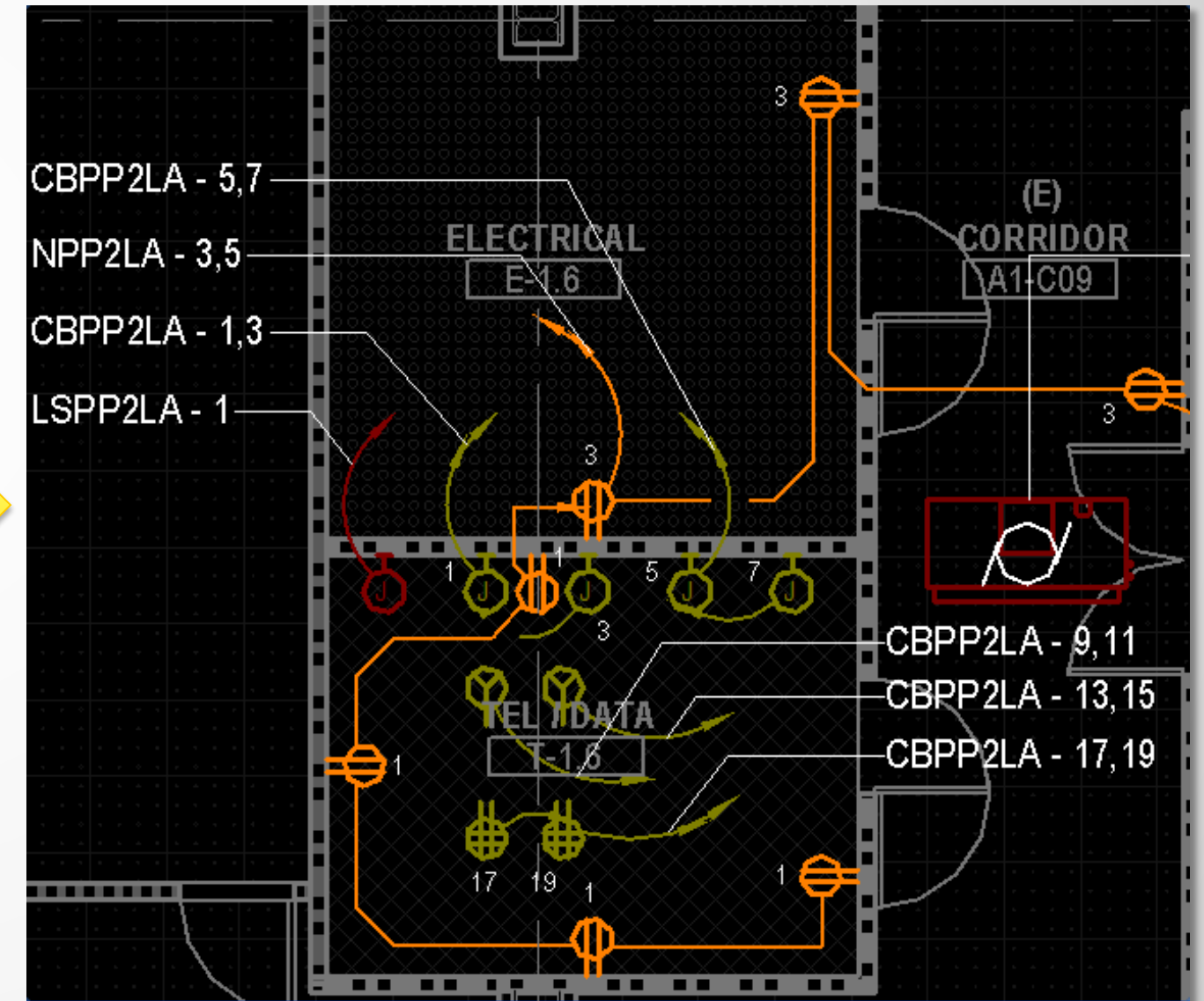
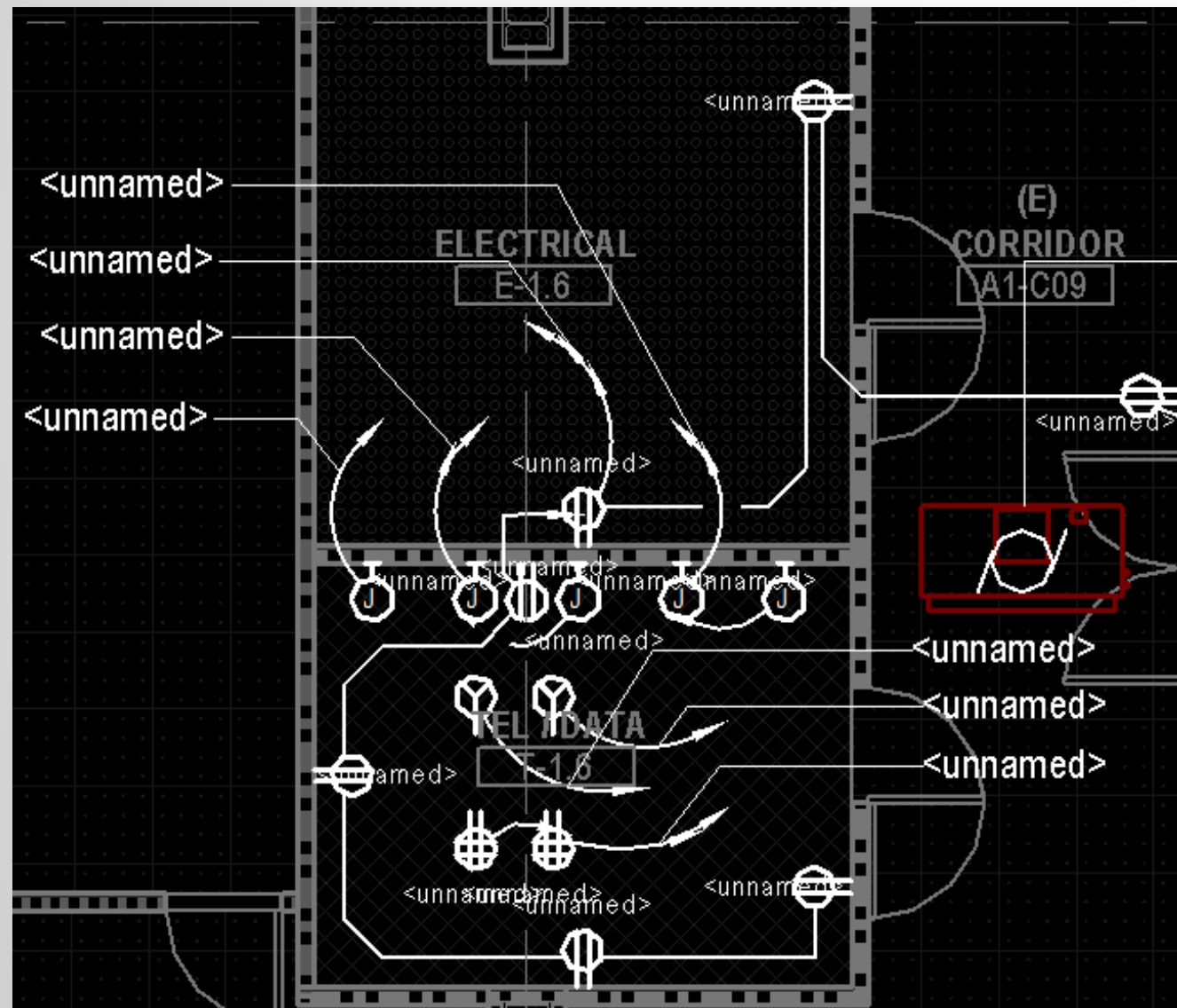
An aerial view of a city landscape. In the foreground, a multi-lane bridge spans a wide river. A rainbow-colored line, representing an electrical distribution branch, is overlaid on the bridge's surface. To the right of the river, there is a green baseball field with a blue infield. In the background, a dense urban skyline with various skyscrapers is visible under a clear blue sky.

# Using Filters for Electrical Distribution Branch



# Using Filters for Electrical Distribution Branch

Filters can be used to enhance readability of working drawings





# Using Filters for Electrical Distribution Branch

## Distribution Branches Non Hospital

- Normal = N
- Emergency = E
- Standby = SB
- Legally Required = LR

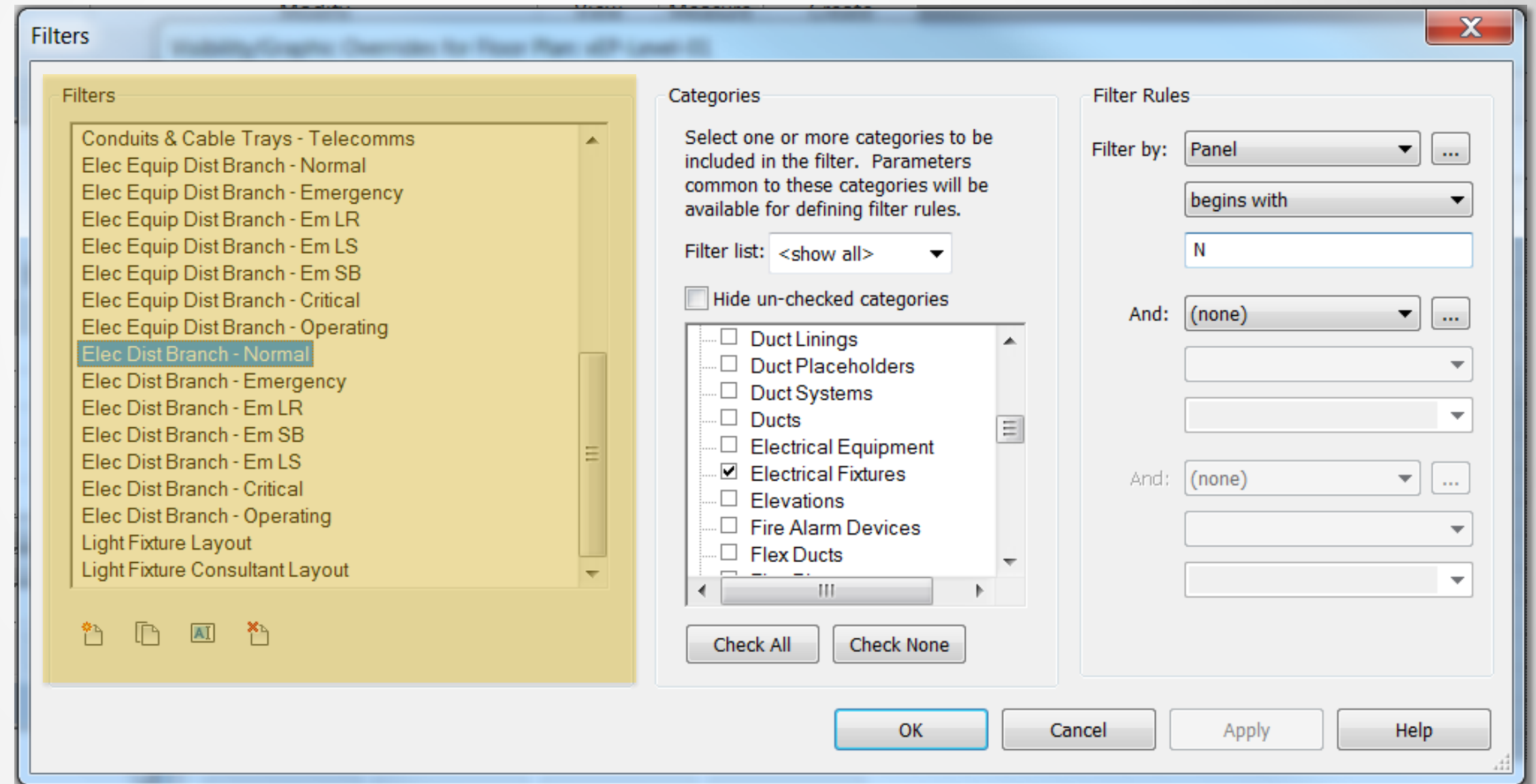
## Distribution Branches Hospital (per OSHPD in California)

- Normal = N
- Critical = CR
- Life Safety = LS
- Standby = SB
- Equipment = Q

# Using Filters for Electrical Distribution Branch

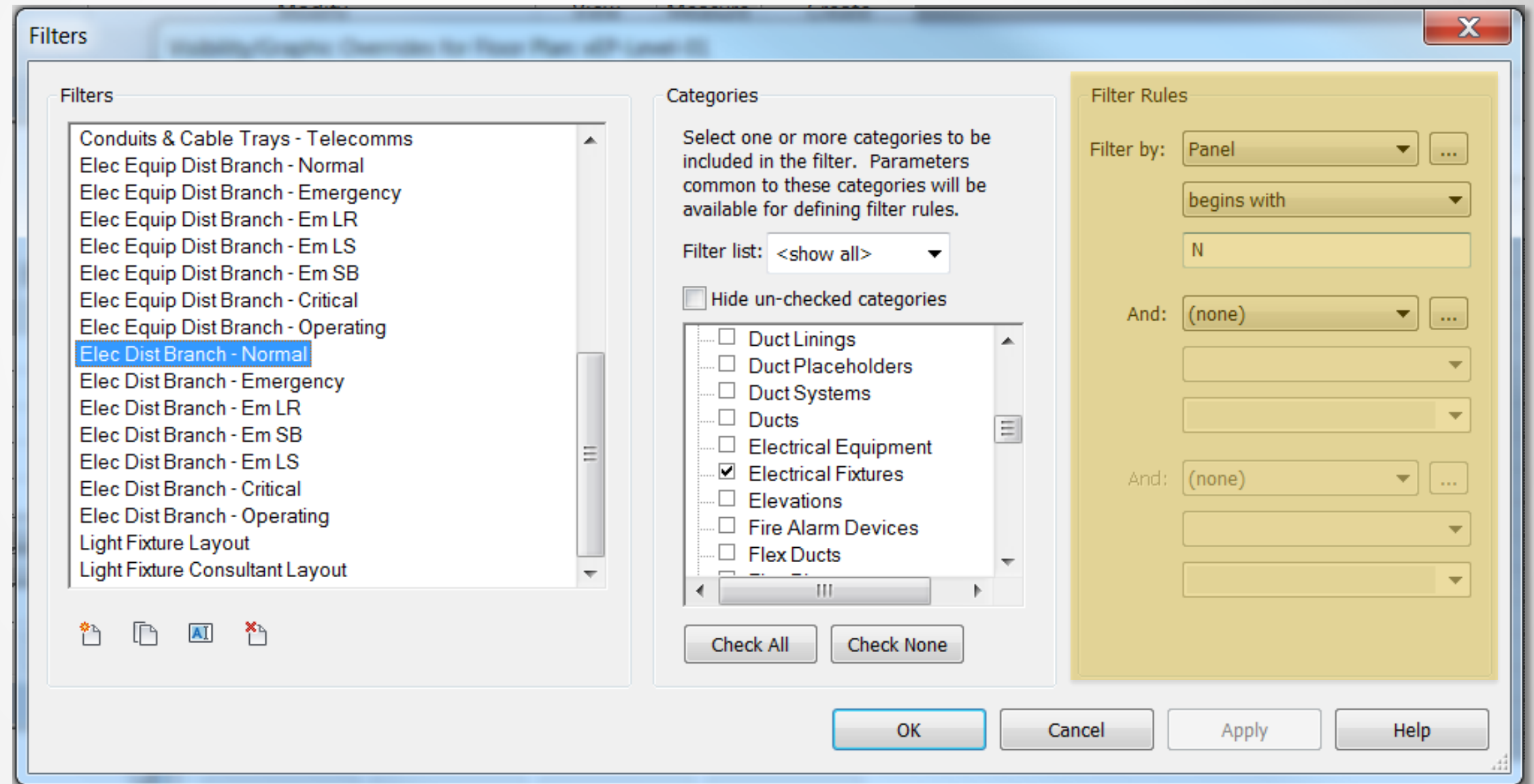
## Items to Consider When Creating Filters

- Filter Name



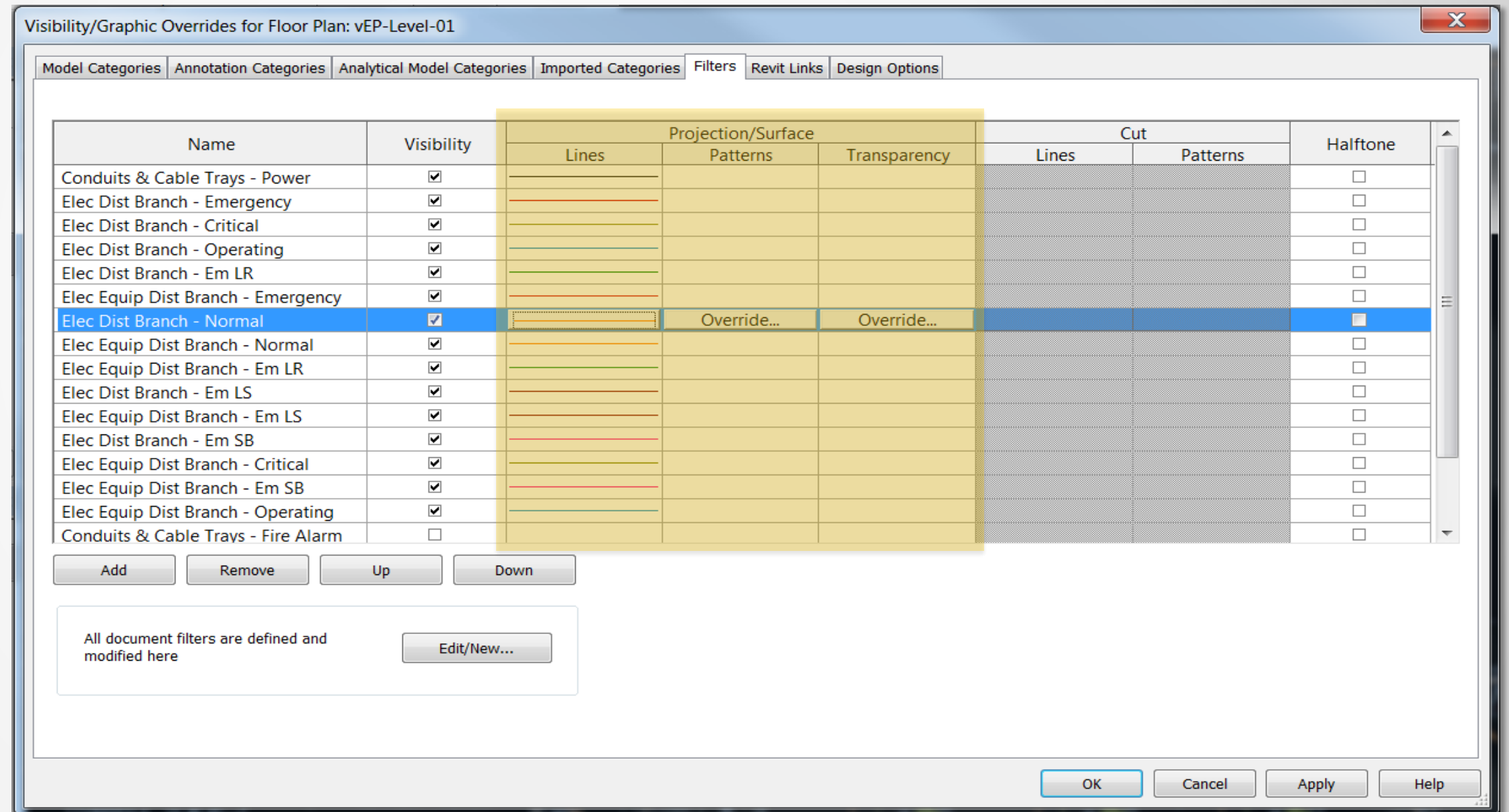
# Using Filters for Electrical Distribution Branch

- Filter Rules



# Using Filters for Electrical Distribution Branch

- Visibility and Projection/Surface Lines





# Using Filters for Electrical Distribution Branch

## Filters Created Based on the Different Distribution Branches

### Electrical Equipment

- The filter rule we applied here, is that an electrical equipment, is filtered by panel name, which begins with...

### Electrical Devices and Wires

- The filter rule we applied here, is that an electrical device, is filtered by panel, which begins with...

We then matched the projection lines for both the electrical equipment and the electrical device and wires.

# Using Filters for Electrical Distribution Branch

Visibility/Graphic Overrides for AMX - Electrical Power Plan - Sheet

Model Categories Annotation Categories Analytical Model Categories Imported Categories **Filters** Revit Links Design Options

Name	Visibility	Projection/Surface			Cut		Halftone
		Lines	Patterns	Transparency	Lines	Patterns	
Conduits & Cable Trays - Power	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						<input type="checkbox"/>
Elec Dist Branch - Emergency	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						<input type="checkbox"/>
Elec Dist Branch - Critical	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						<input type="checkbox"/>
Elec Dist Branch - Equipment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						<input type="checkbox"/>
Elec Dist Branch - Em LR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						<input type="checkbox"/>
Elec Dist Branch - Normal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						<input type="checkbox"/>
Elec Equip Dist Branch - Emergency	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						<input type="checkbox"/>
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Add Remove Up Down

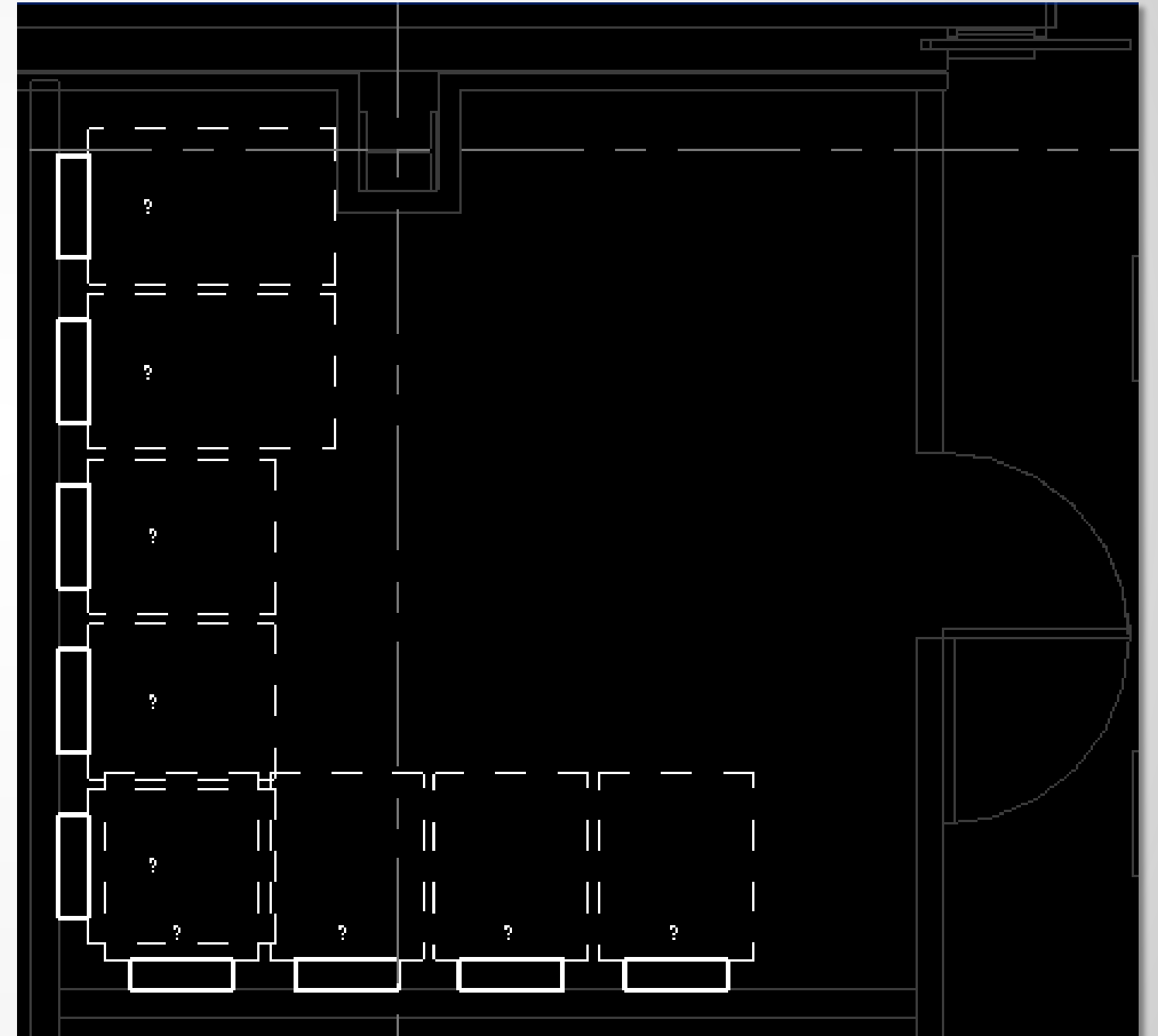
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OK Cancel Apply Help

# Using Filters for Electrical Distribution Branch

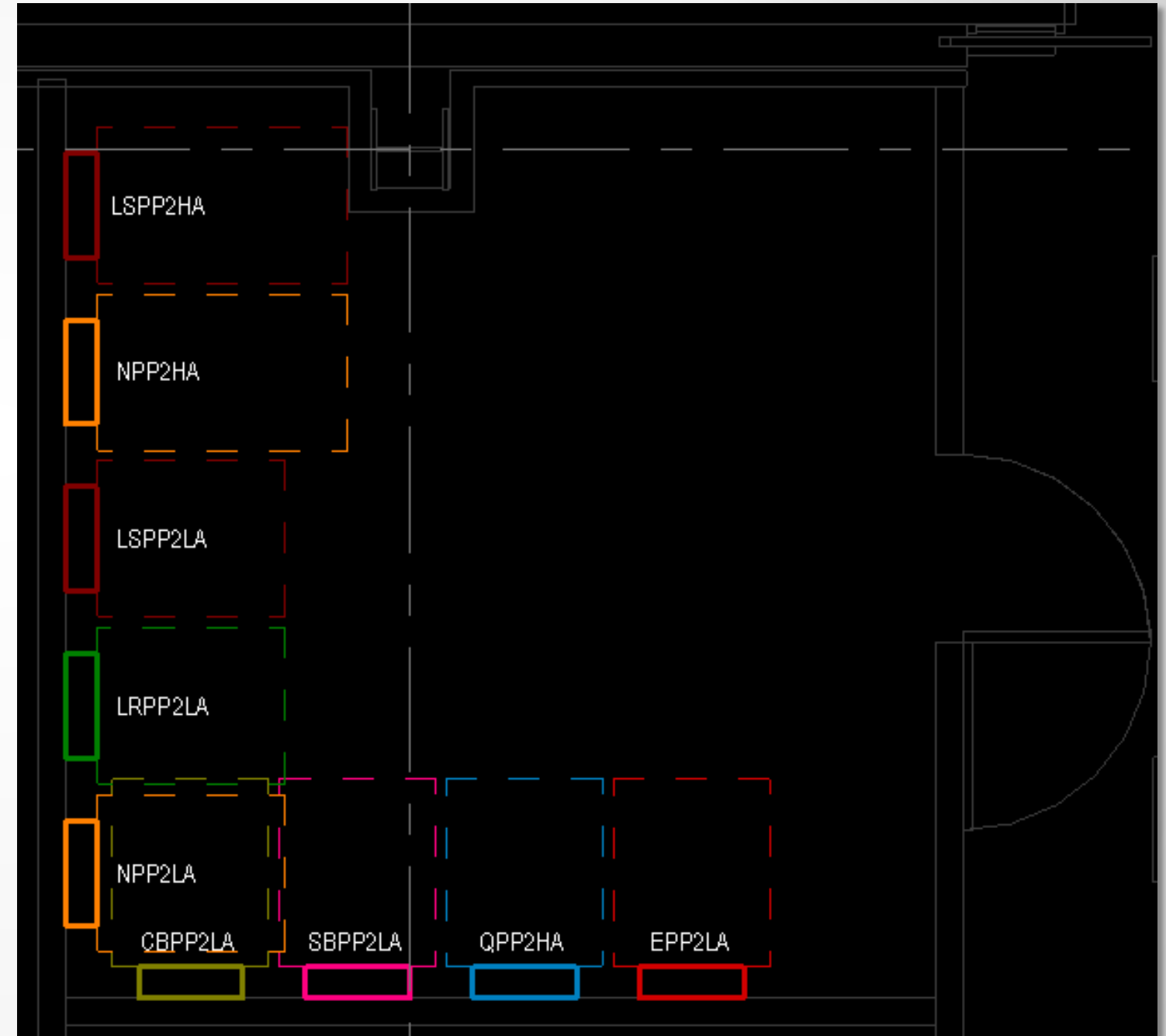
## Here how it works:

- As an equipment is laid out, it'll come in as a default color, white.



# Using Filters for Electrical Distribution Branch

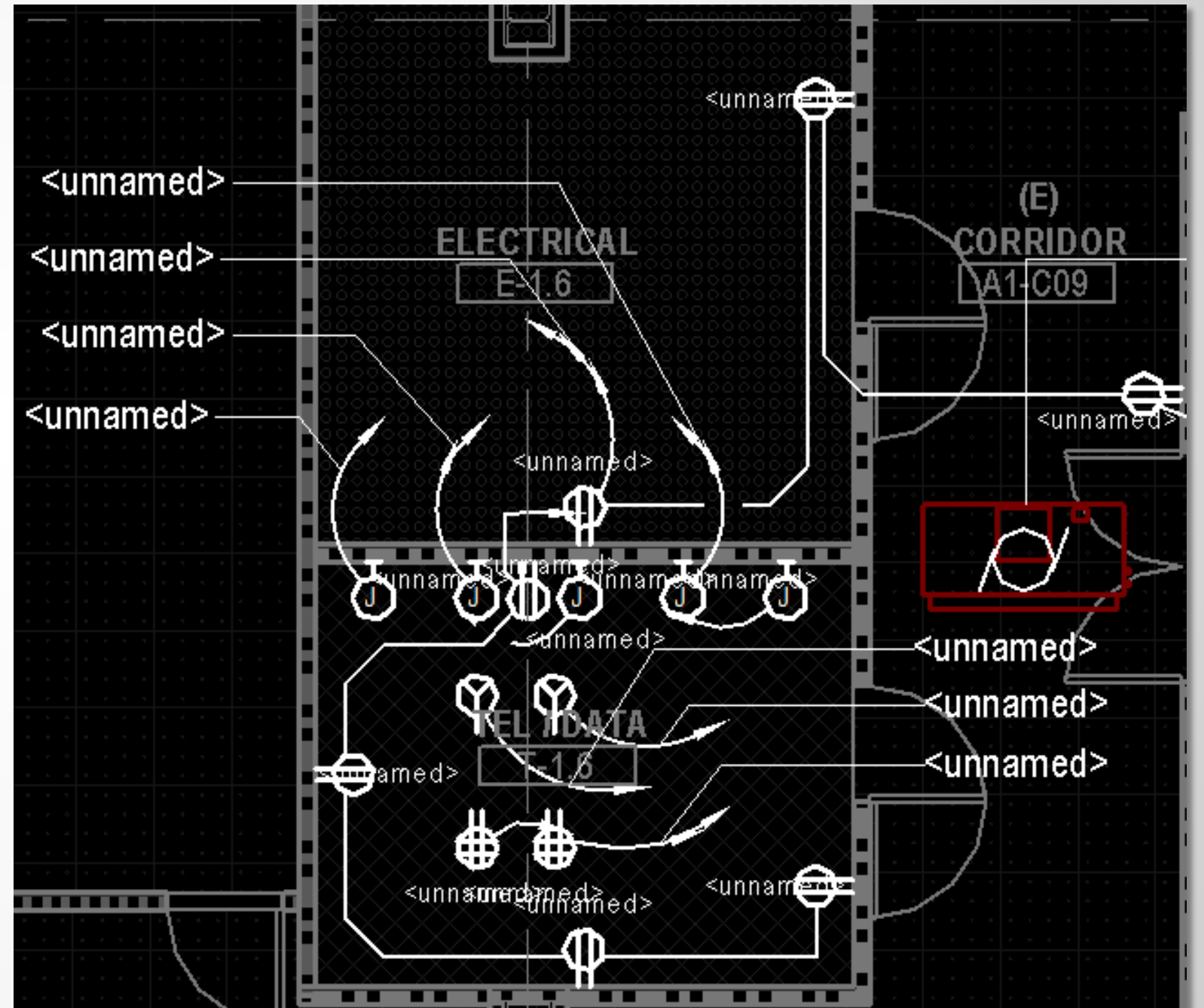
- As you name it, it changes color. This is based on the filter rule and projection lines that you've set.





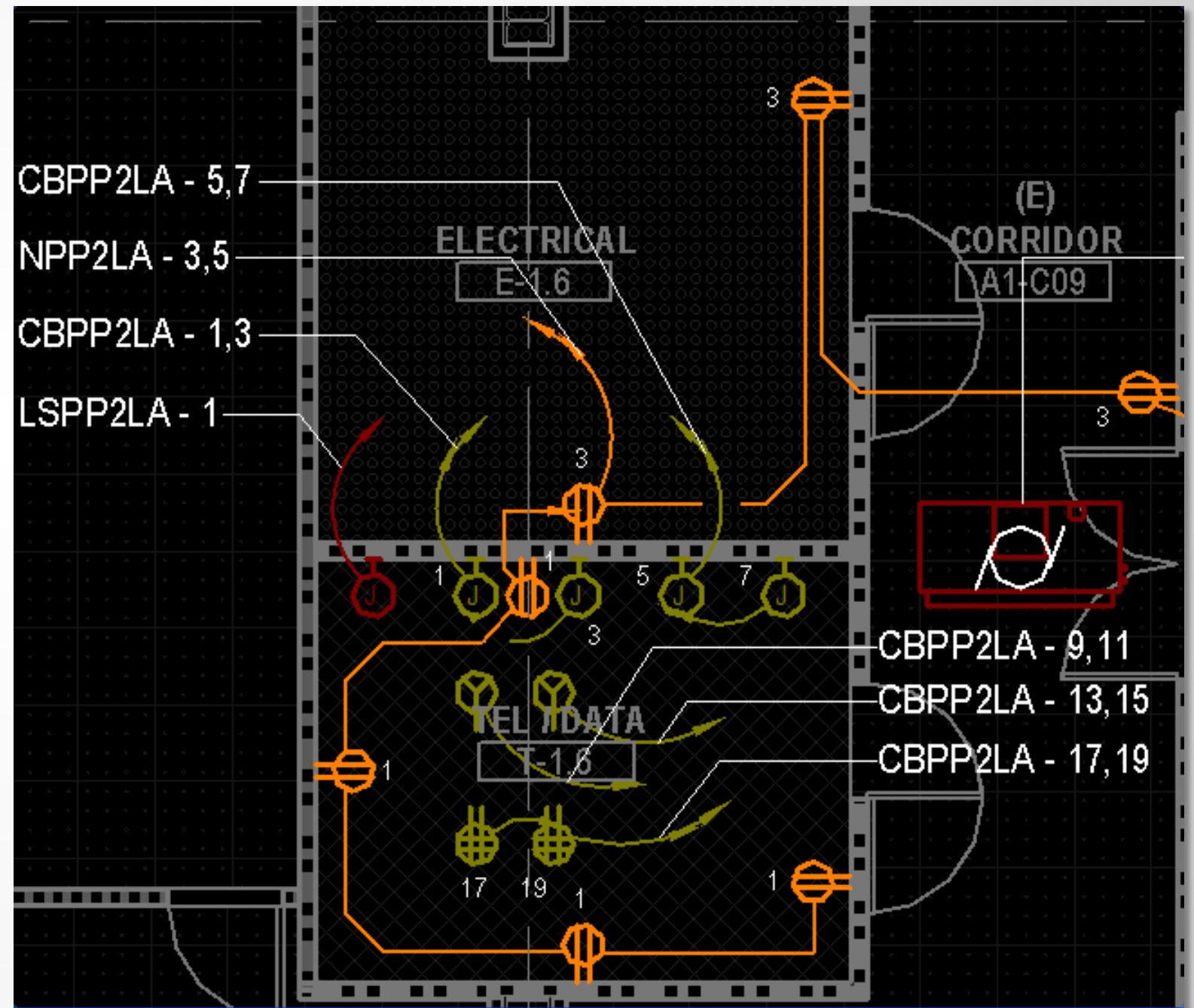
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- As electrical devices and wires are laid out, they'll come in as a default color, white.

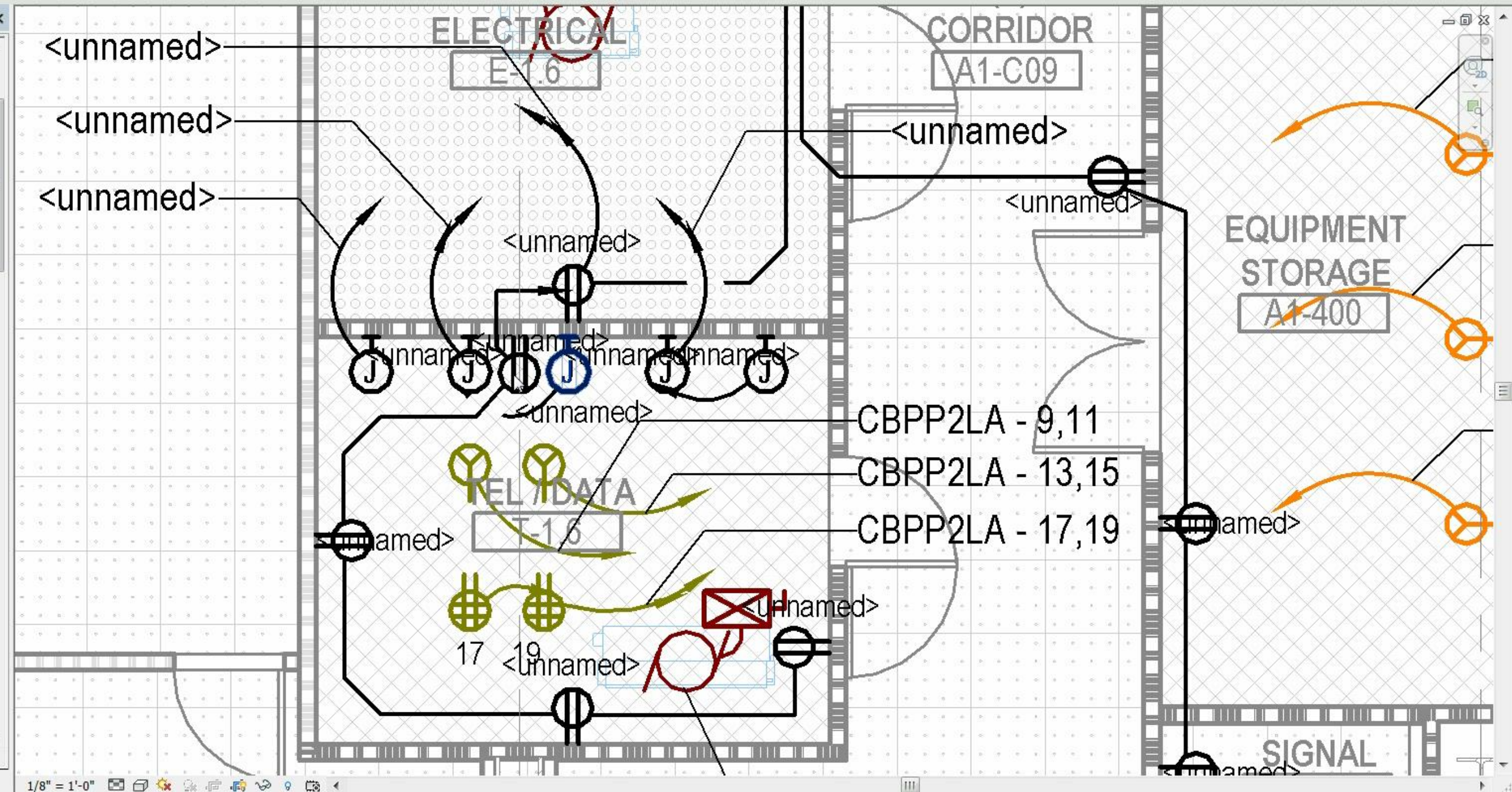
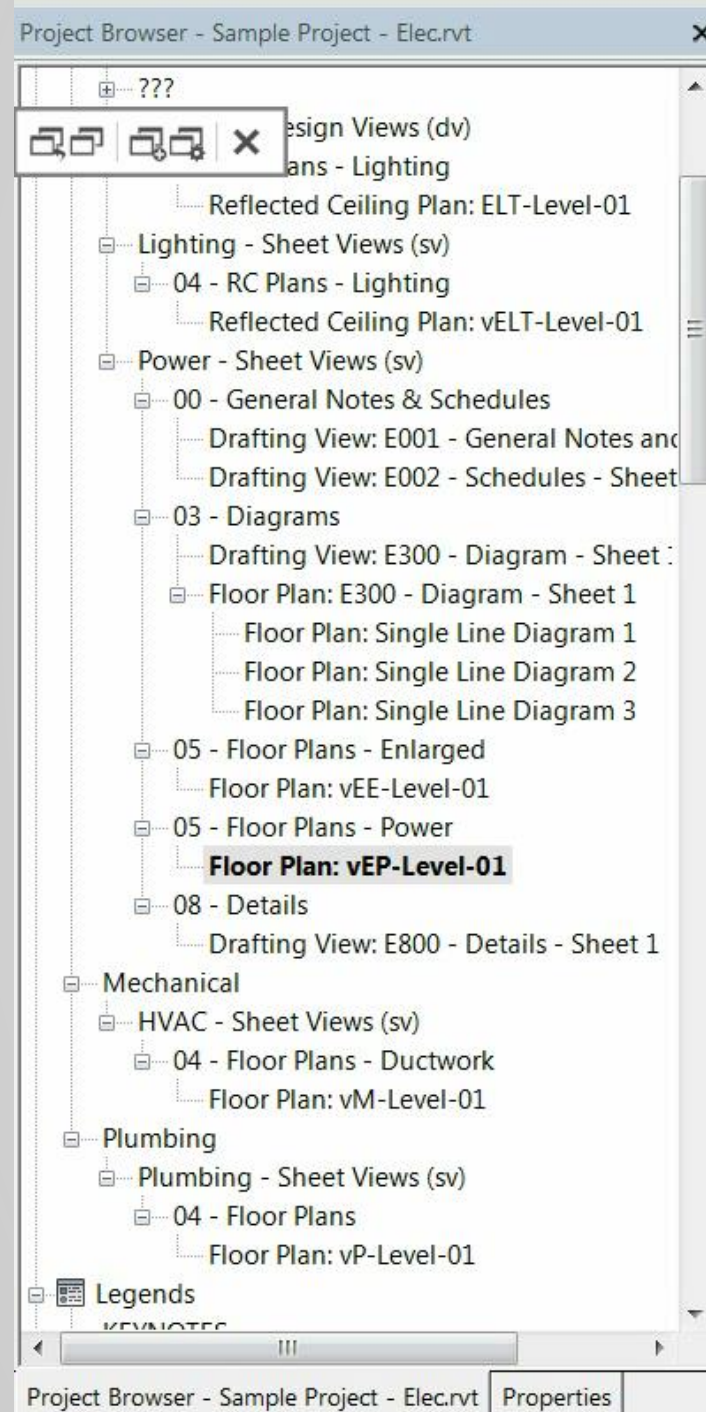
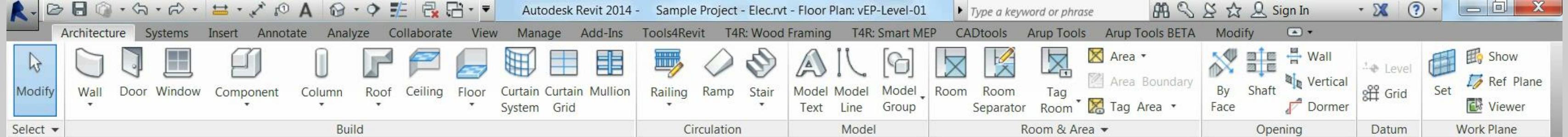


# Using Filters for Electrical Distribution Branch

- As you power them to a panel, they change color. This is based on the filter rule and projection lines that you've set.










# Using Filters for Electrical Distribution Branch

## **Be Creative!!!!!!!!!!**

- Power Branch
- Circuited/Uncircuited
- Mechanical Equipment Visibility
- Interior/Exterior
- Light Fixture Layout Coordination
- Etc....



An aerial perspective of a cityscape. In the foreground, a multi-lane bridge spans a wide river. A red sports car is driving on the bridge. To the right of the bridge, there's a green park area with trees and a blue oval-shaped pond. In the background, a large stadium with a white roof is visible, surrounded by various city buildings and skyscrapers under a clear blue sky.

# Coordination between Electrical and Other Disciplines





# Coordination between Electrical and Other Disciplines

## Lighting Coordination Process

- Coordinate your light fixture connector (families) with the architects/lighting designers schedule and/or specs focusing on dimensions, voltage, apparent load, and wattage



### FEATURES & SPECIFICATIONS

**INTENDED USE** — Low-profile static luminaire provides general illumination for recessed applications; ideal for restricted plenum spaces.  
Certain airborne contaminants can diminish integrity of acrylic. [Click here for Acrylic Environmental Compatibility table for suitable uses.](#)

**ATTRIBUTES** — Designed exclusively for use with T8 lamps, electronic ballasts and sockets.  
**CONSTRUCTION** — Smooth hemmed sides and smooth, inward flared end flanges for safe handling. Lighter weight fixture allows for safe, easy installation.  
Standard steel door frame has superior structural integrity with premium extruded appearance and precision flush mitered corners. Steel door allows easy lens replacement without frame disassembly (for lenses up to .156" thick). Powder painted, steel latches provide easy, secure door closure.  
Superior mechanical light seal requires no foam gasketing. Integral T-bar clips secure fixture to T-bar system. Housing formed from cold-rolled steel. Acrylic shielding material 100% UV stabilized. No asbestos is used in this product.  
**FINISH** — Five-stage iron-phosphate pretreatment ensures superior paint adhesion and rust resistance. Painted parts finished with high-gloss, baked white enamel.  
**ELECTRICAL** — Standard ballast is electronic, thermally protected, resetting, Class P, HPF, non-PCB, UL Listed, CSA certified ballast, universal voltage and sound rated A.  
Luminaire is suitable for damp locations. AWM, TBN or THHN wire used throughout, rated for required temperatures.  
**LISTING** — Standard: UL. Optional: Canada — CSA or cUL; Mexico — NOM.  
**WARRANTY** — 1-year limited warranty. Complete warranty terms located at [www.acuitybrands.com/customerresources/terms\\_and\\_conditions.aspx](#)  
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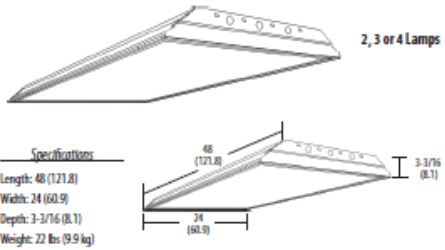
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General Purpose T8 Troffer



GT8 2'x4'

2, 3 or 4 Lamps



All dimensions are inches (millimeters).

### ORDERING INFORMATION

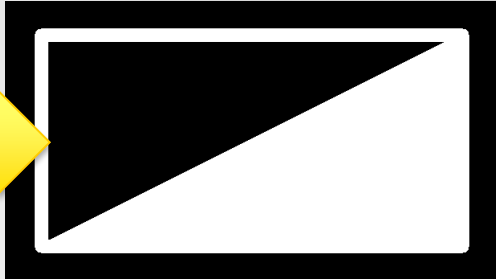
For shortest lead times, configure products using bolded options. Example: 2GT8 2 32 A12 MVOLT GEB10S

Series	Trim type	Number of lamps	Lamp type	Door frame	Diffuser type	Voltage	Options
2GT8 2' wide	(blank) Grid F Overlapping flanged	2 3 4 Not included	32 32W T8 (48")	(blank) Flush steel, white FN Flush aluminum, natural FM Flush aluminum, matte black FW Flush aluminum, white RN Regressed aluminum, natural RM Regressed aluminum, matte black RW Regressed aluminum, white	A12 #12 pattern acrylic A1212S #12 pattern acrylic, 1/25" thick A19 #19 pattern acrylic, 1/50" thick A15 #15 pattern acrylic, 2" thick PC15 1/2" x 1/2" x 1/2" plastic cube louver, silver PC25 1-1/2" x 1-1/2" x 1" plastic cube louver, silver w/ flange PC35 3/4" x 3/4" x 1/2" plastic cube louver, silver	120 277 347 MVOLT <sup>1</sup> others available	1/4 One 4-lamp ballast 1/3 One 3-lamp ballast GEB10S Electronic ballast, <10% THD, instant start GEB10PS Electronic ballast, <10% THD, programmed start GEB10RS Electronic ballast, <10% THD, rapid start EL Emergency battery pack (nominal 300 lumens) EL14 Emergency battery pack (nominal 1400 lumens) GLR Internal fast-blow fuse <sup>2</sup> GMF Internal slow-blow fuse <sup>2</sup> LST Tandem-wired fixture pairs (shaded ballasts) PWS1836 6' prewire, 3/8" dia., 18-gauge, 1 circuit LP Lamped, specify lamp type and color JP Palletized and stretch-wrapped without individual cartons; grid trim only CSA CSA Certified NOM NOM Certified

**NOTES:**  
1 Available with flush door frames only.  
2 MVOLT standard for 120-277V applications, 50-60 Hz operation. Some options require voltage specified.  
3 Must specify voltage 120V or 277V.

FLUORESCENT:

GT8-2X4



# Coordination between Electrical and Other Disciplines

## Lighting Coordination Process

- Coordinate your light fixture connector (families) with the architects/lighting designers schedule and/or specs focusing on dimensions, voltage, apparent load, and wattage
- Create a coordination view



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**FINISH** — Five-stage iron-phosphate pretreatment ensures superior paint adhesion and rust resistance. Painted parts finished with high-gloss, baked white enamel.

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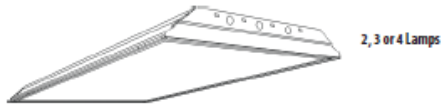
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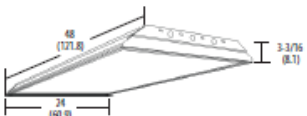
#### Specifications

Length: 48 (121.8)

Width: 24 (60.9)

Depth: 3-3/16 (8.1)

Weight: 22 lbs (9.9 kg)



All dimensions are inches (millimeters).

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		4 Not included		FM Flush aluminum, matte black	A19 #19 pattern acrylic, 1.56" thick	347 MVOLT <sup>1</sup> others available	GEB10S Electronic ballast, <10% THD, instant start
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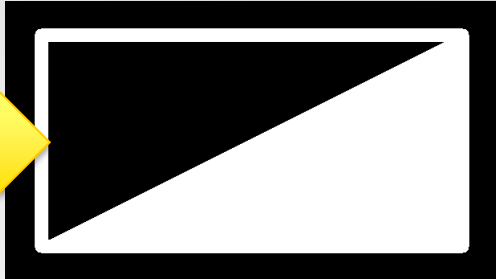
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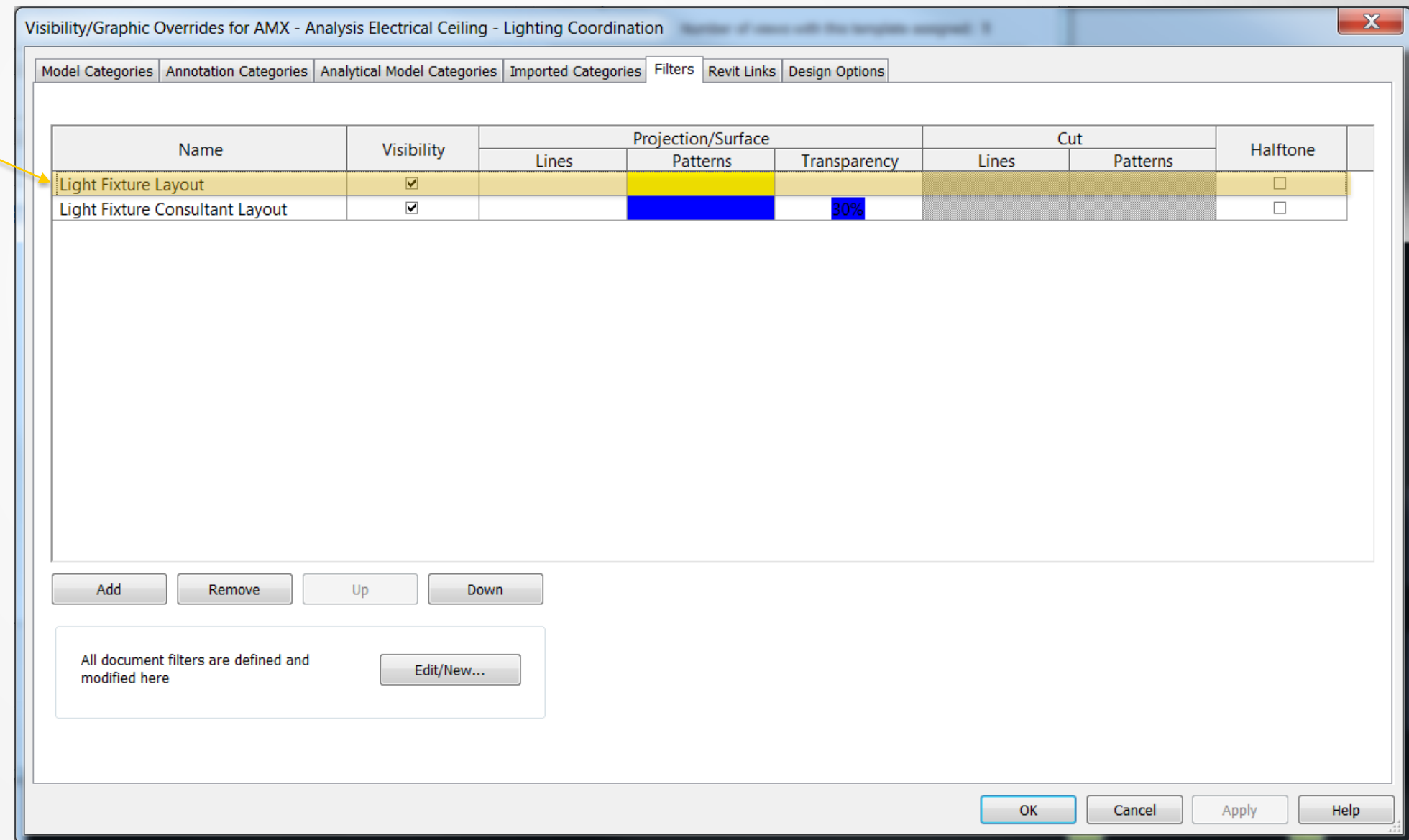
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# Coordination between Electrical and Other Disciplines

- Set-up your filters in your view templates

Light Fixture Layout filtered by Family Name



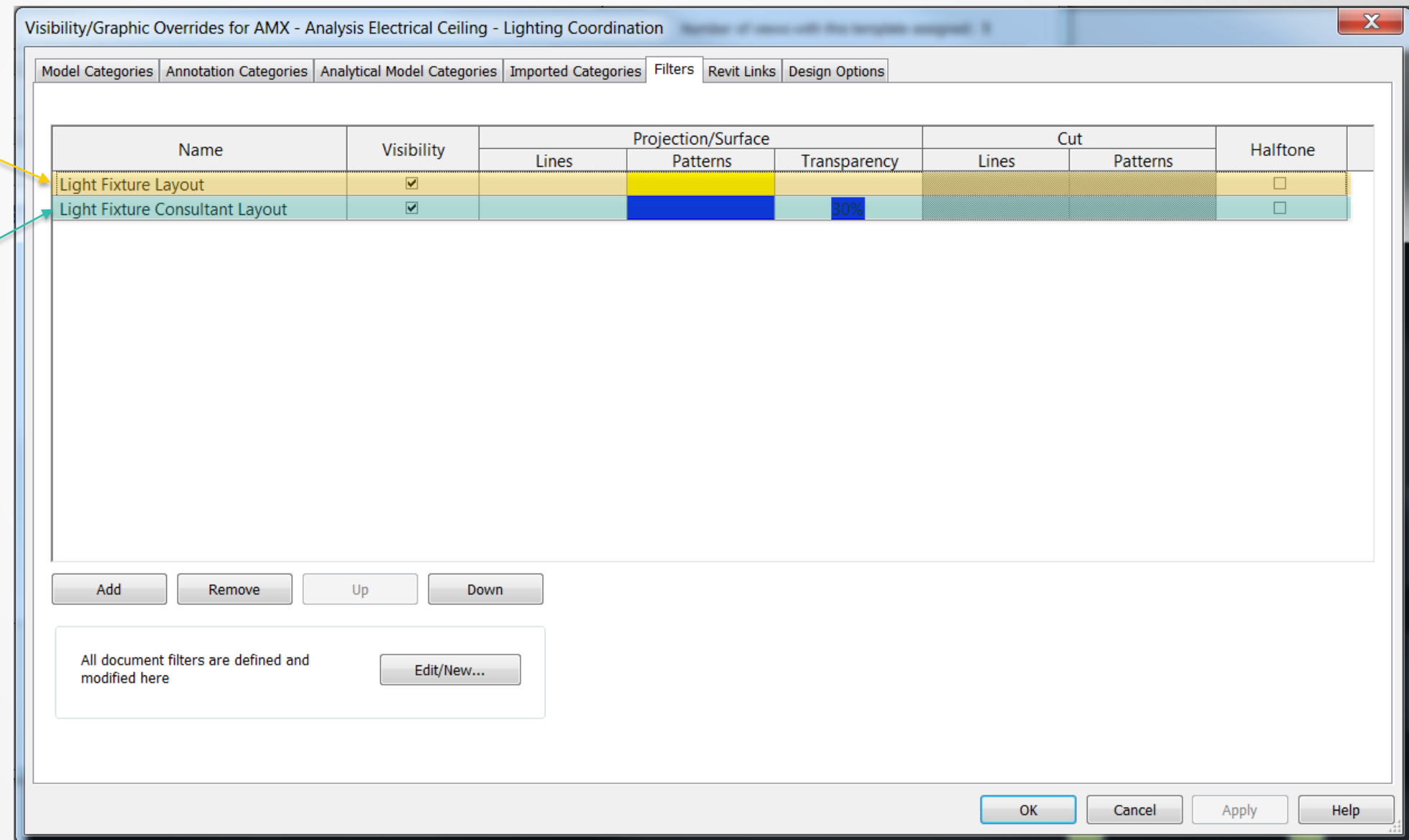


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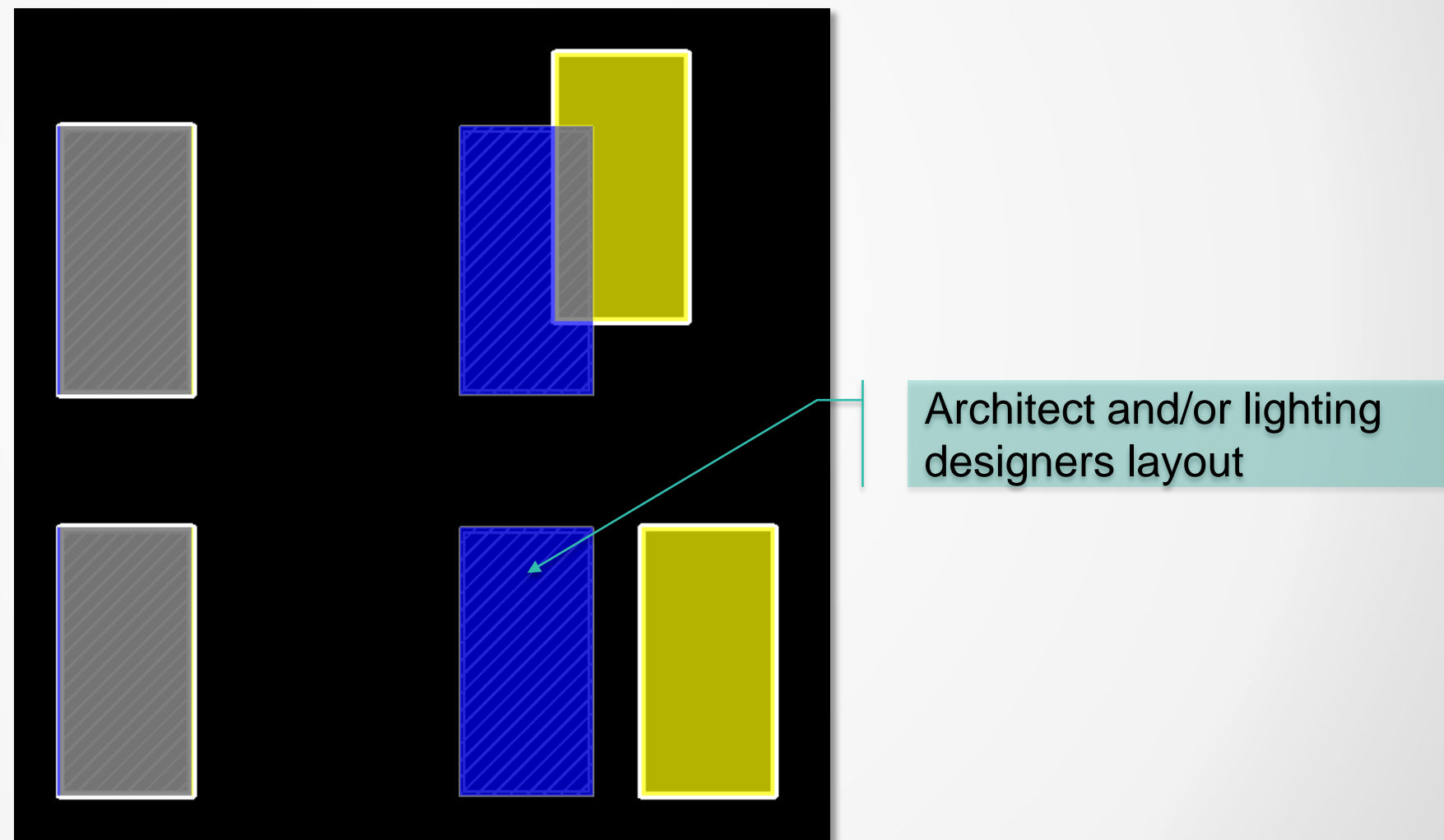
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Light Fixture Consultant Layout filtered by None



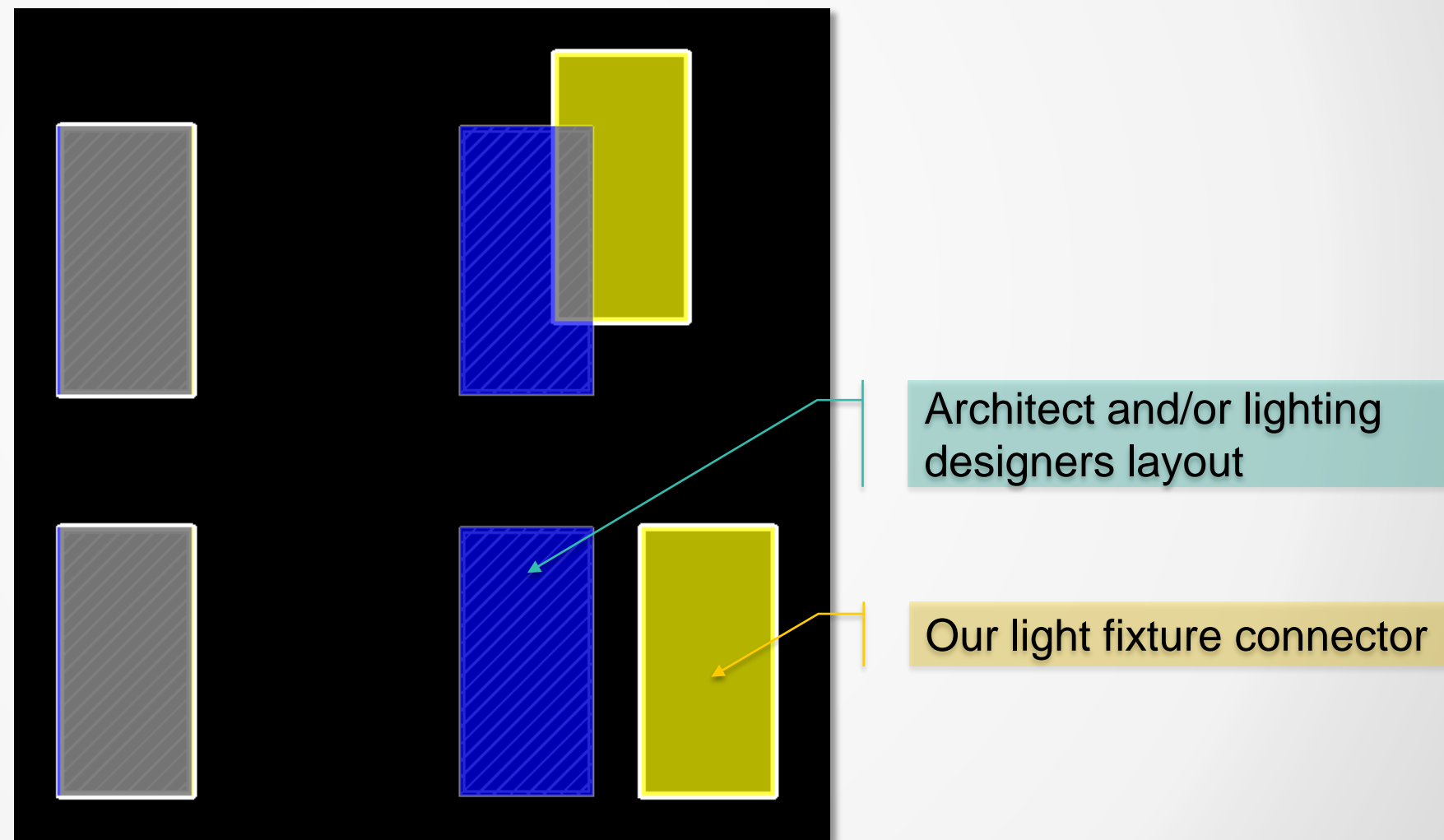
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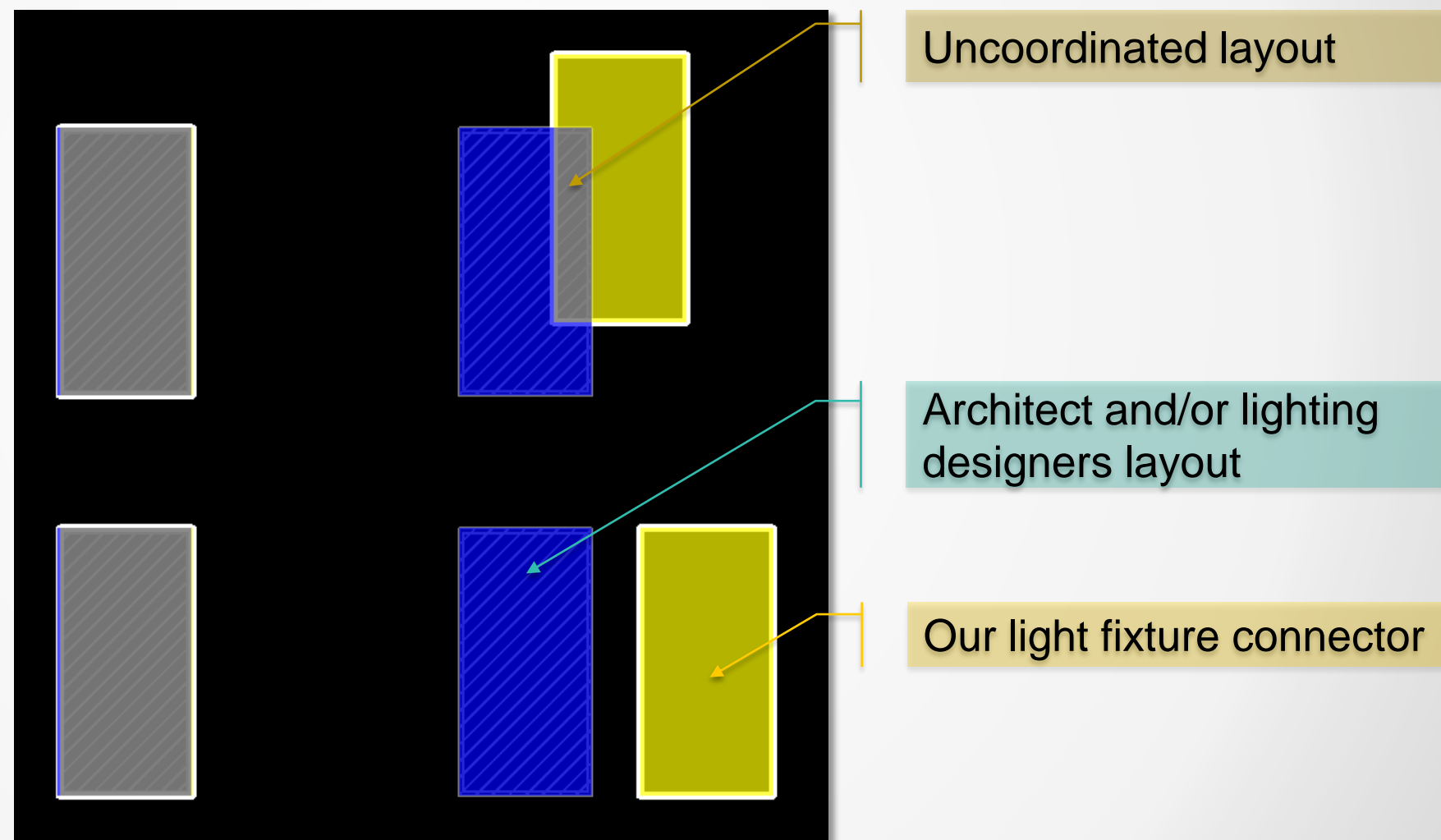
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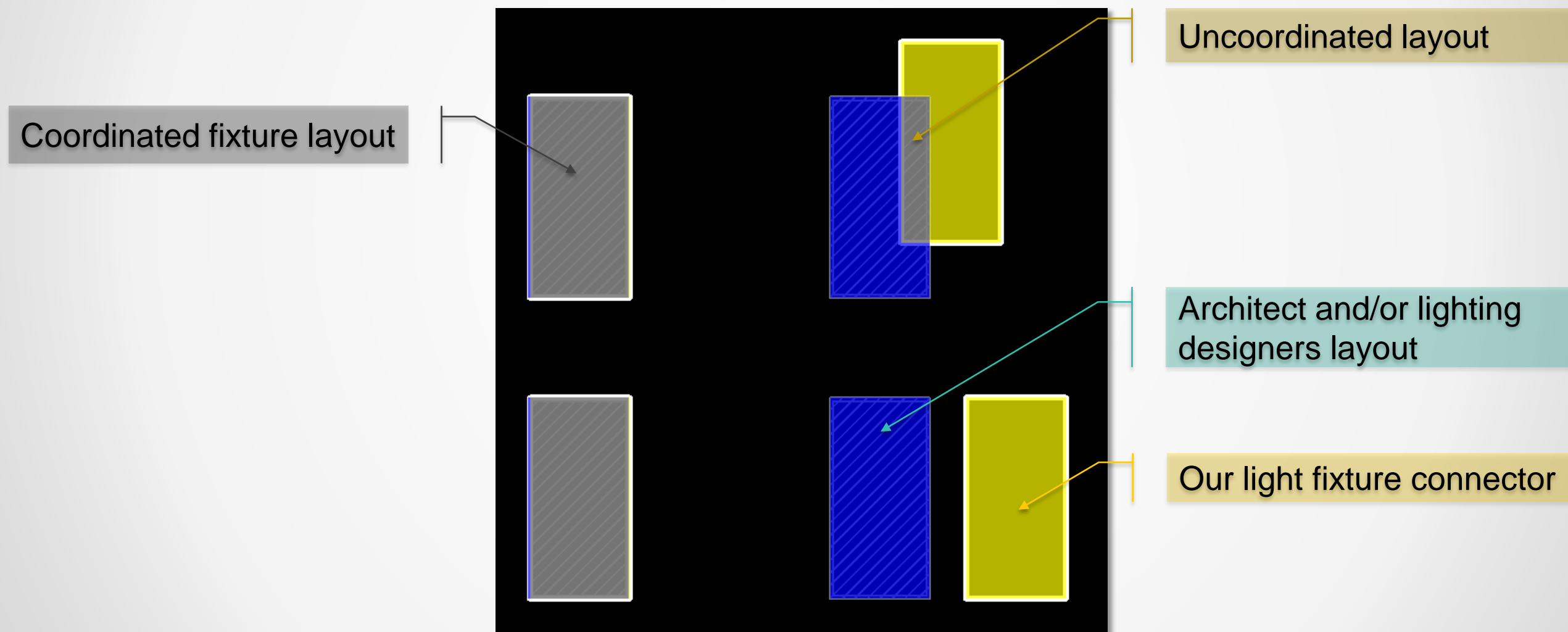
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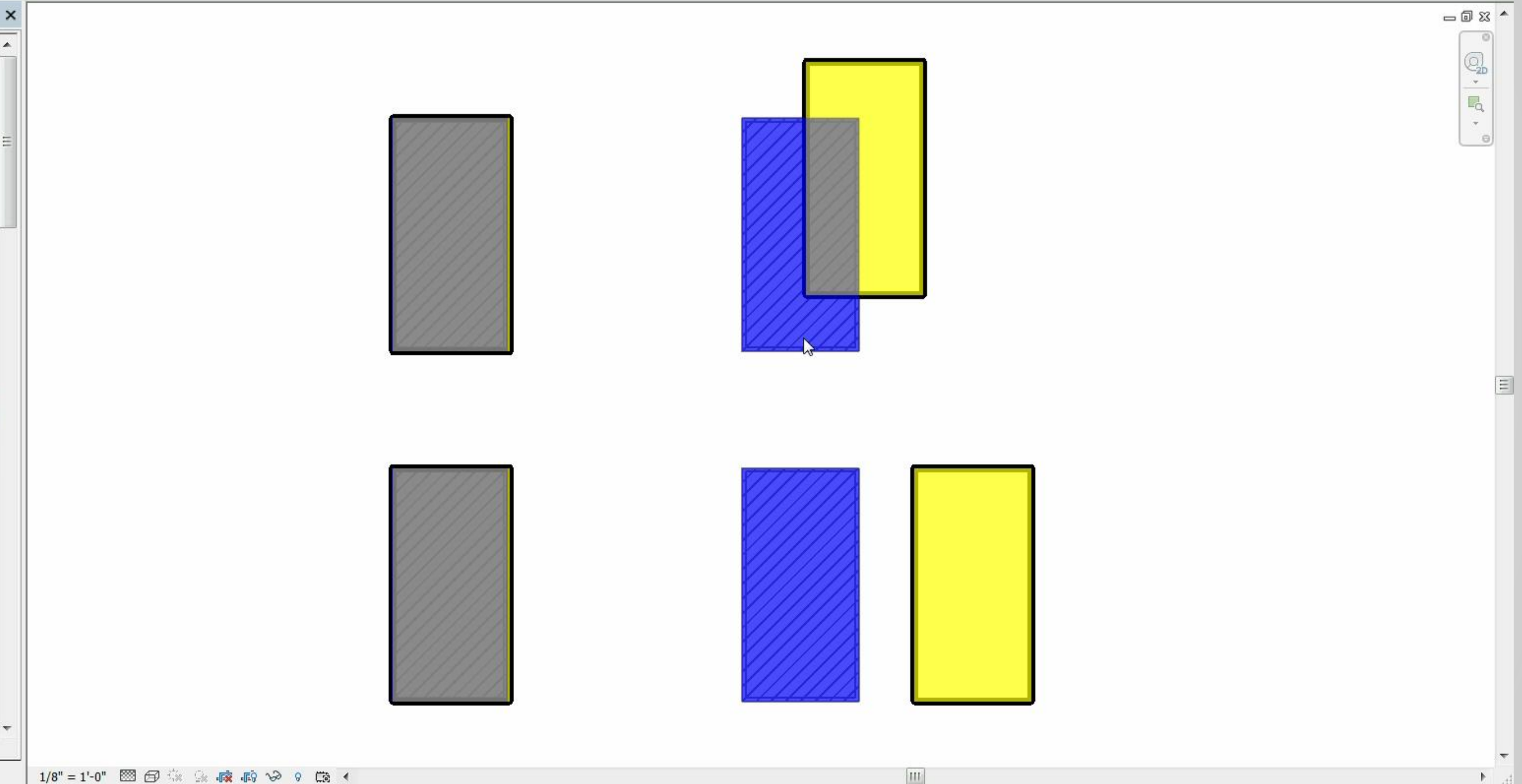
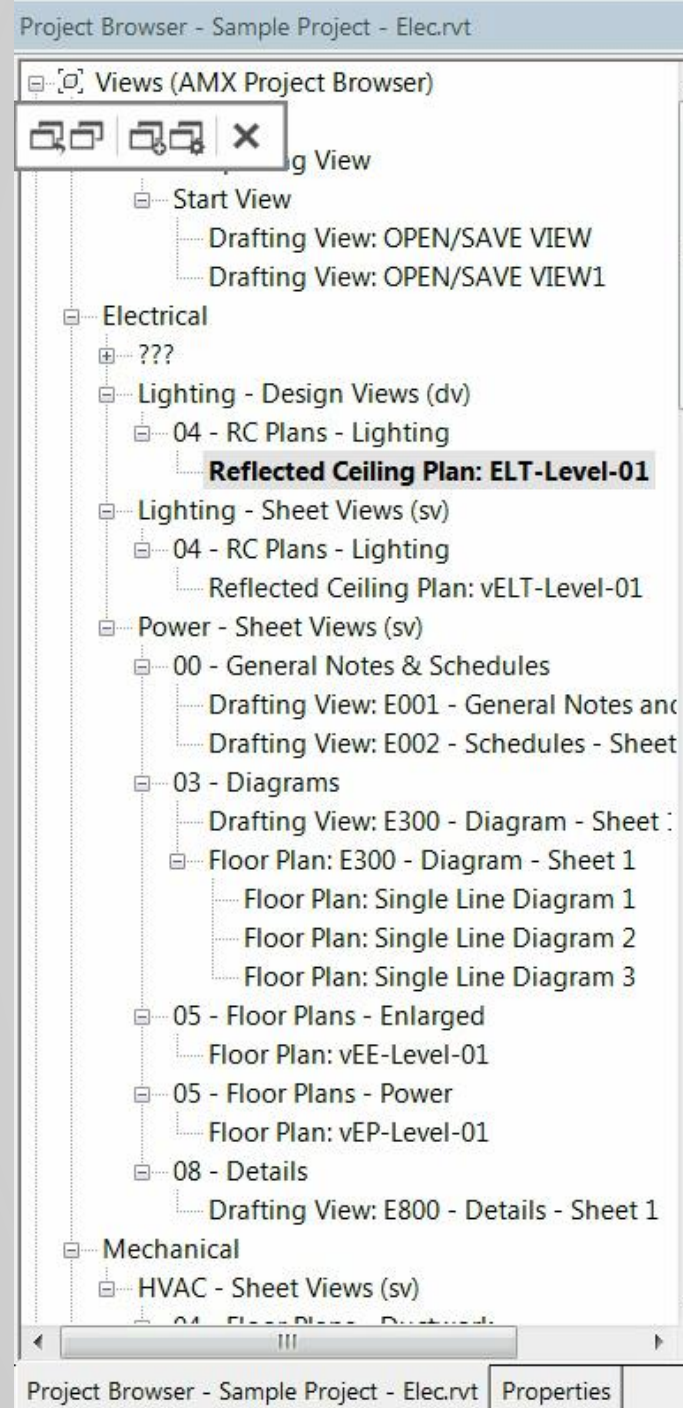
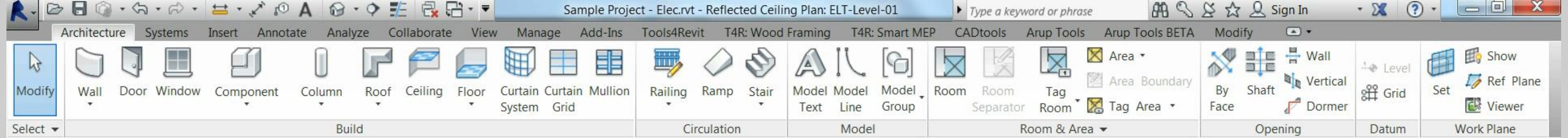




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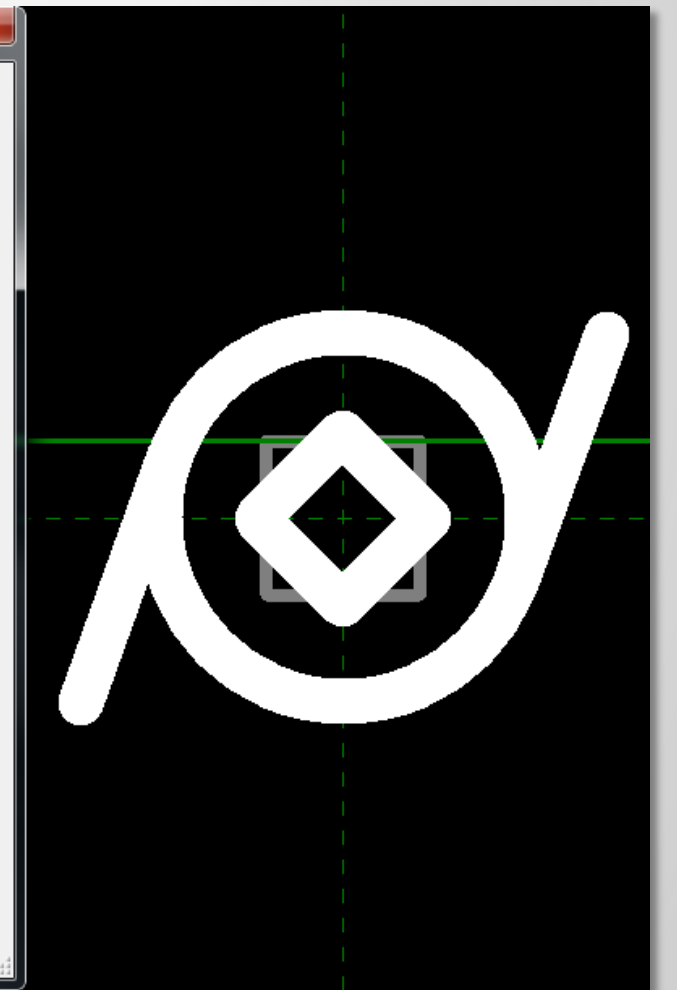
# Coordination between Electrical and Other Disciplines

## Mechanical/Plumbing Equipment Coordination Process

- Create your motor connector family with Shared Parameters common with the mechanical equipment

Is Electrical Power

Parameter	Value	Formula	Lock
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<b>Graphics</b>			
<b>Electrical</b>			
<b>Electrical Engineering</b>			
<b>Electrical - Loads</b>			
<b>Dimensions</b>			
<b>General</b>			
<b>Electrical - Circuiting</b>			
<b>Other</b>			
<b>Identity Data</b>			
Quantity	1.000000	=	
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Description		=	





# Coordination between Electrical and Other Disciplines

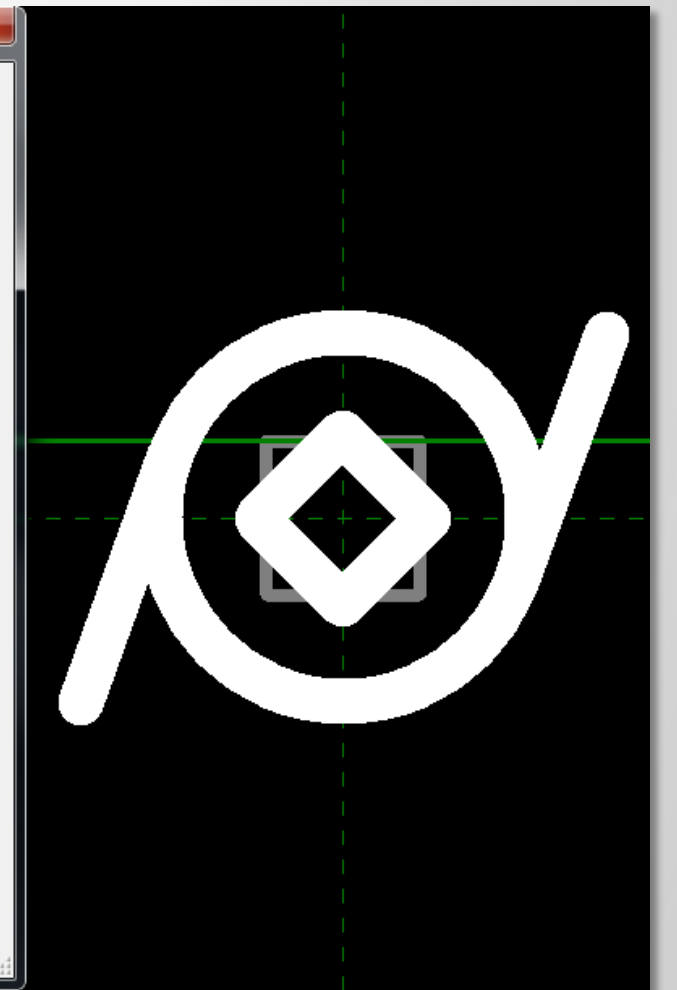
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# Coordination between Electrical and Other Disciplines

## Mechanical/Plumbing Equipment Coordination Process

- Create your motor connector family with Shared Parameters common with the mechanical equipment

Is Electrical Power

Equipment Type

Equipment Number

Family Types

Name: 208V 3PH VA

Parameter	Value	Formula	Lock
<b>Constraints</b>			
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<b>Electrical</b>			
<b>Electrical Engineering</b>			
<b>Electrical - Loads</b>			
<b>Dimensions</b>			
<b>General</b>			
<b>Electrical - Circuiting</b>			
<b>Other</b>			
<b>Identity Data</b>			
Quantity	1.000000	=	
Is Electrical Power	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	=	
Equipment Type (default)		=	
Equipment Number (default)		=	
Description		=	

OK Cancel Apply Help

Family Types

New...  
Rename...  
Delete

Parameters

Add...  
Modify...  
Remove

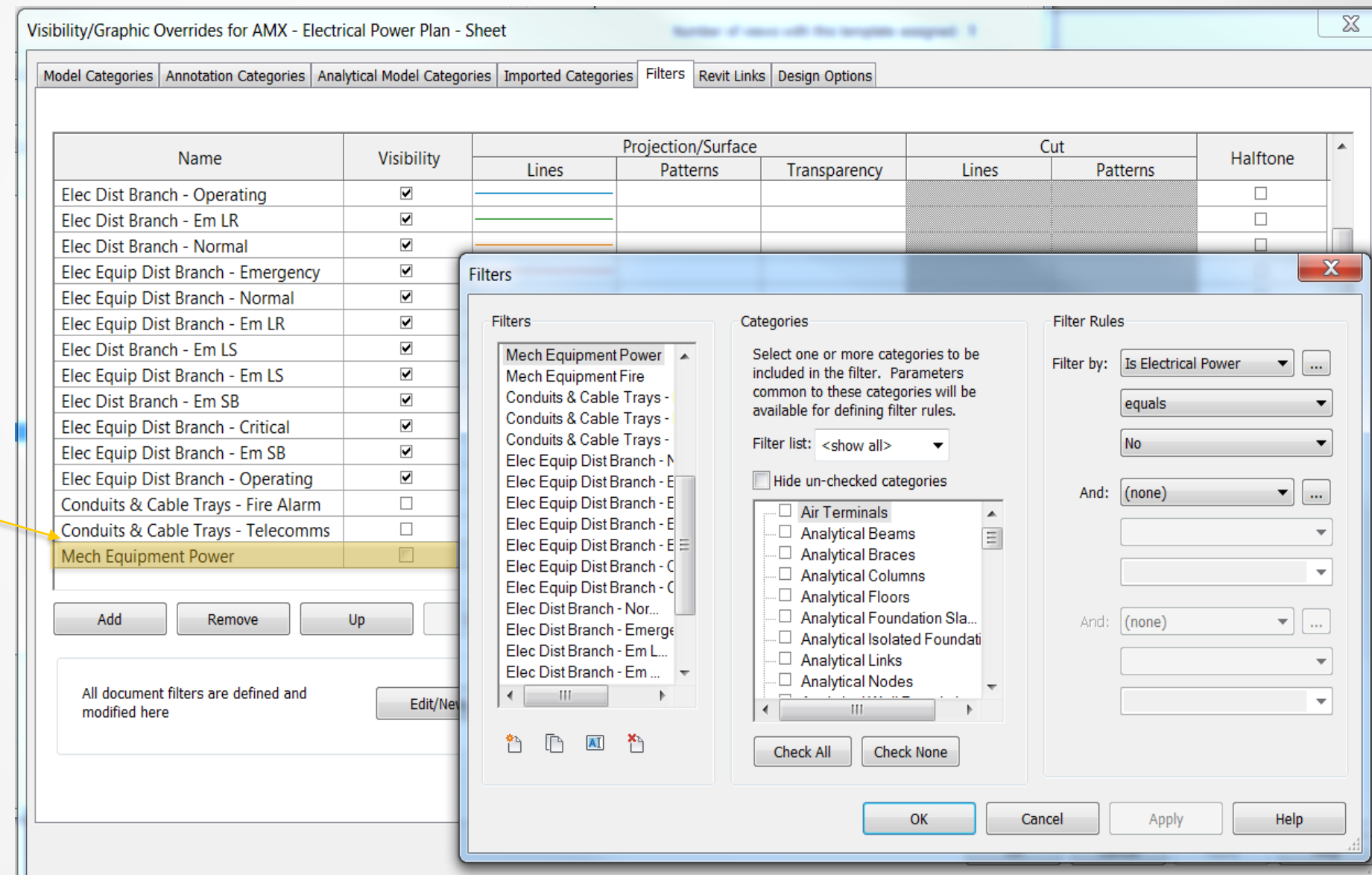
Lookup Tables

Manage...

# Coordination between Electrical and Other Disciplines

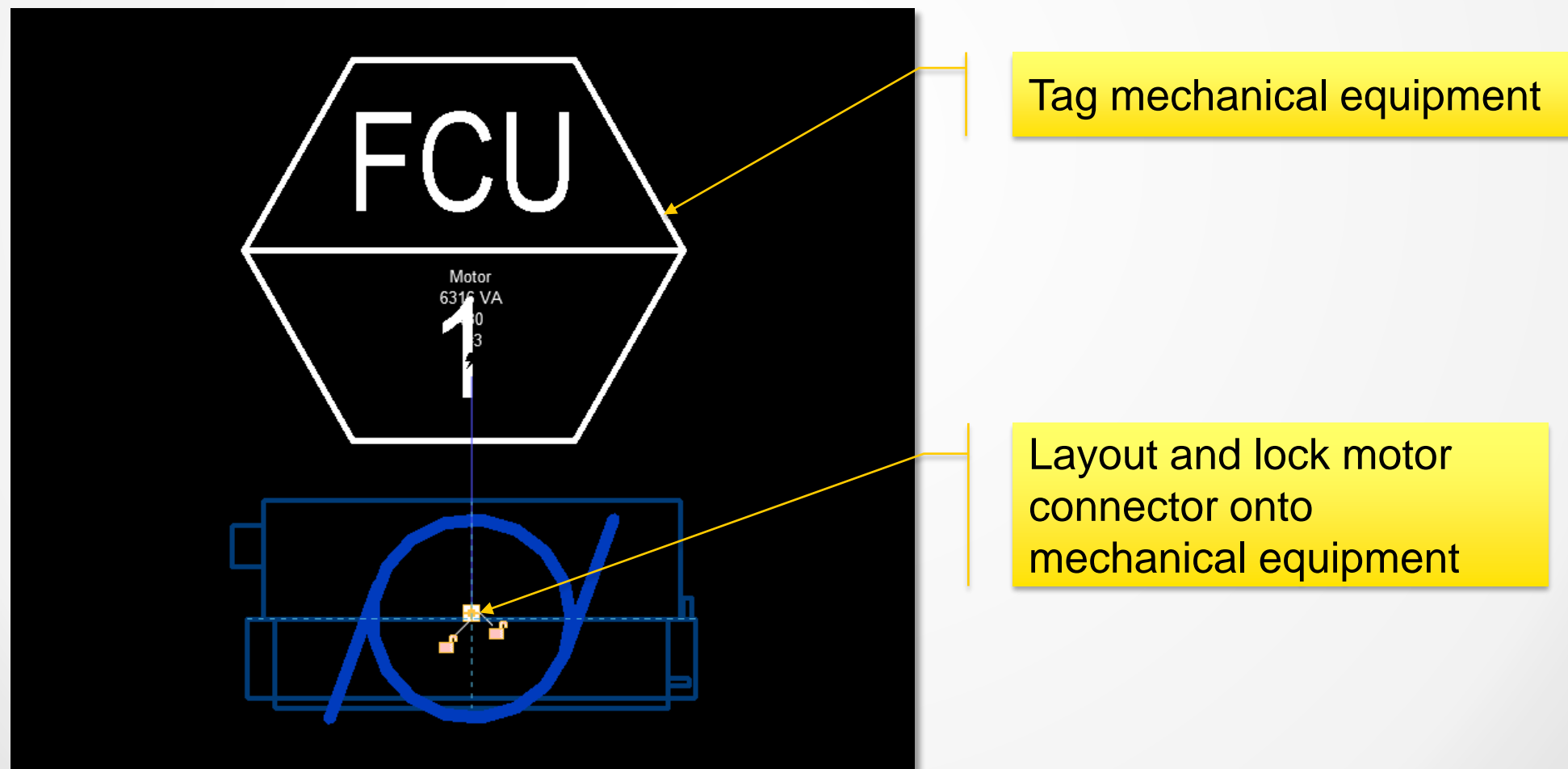
- Set-up your filters in your view templates

Mech Equipment Power



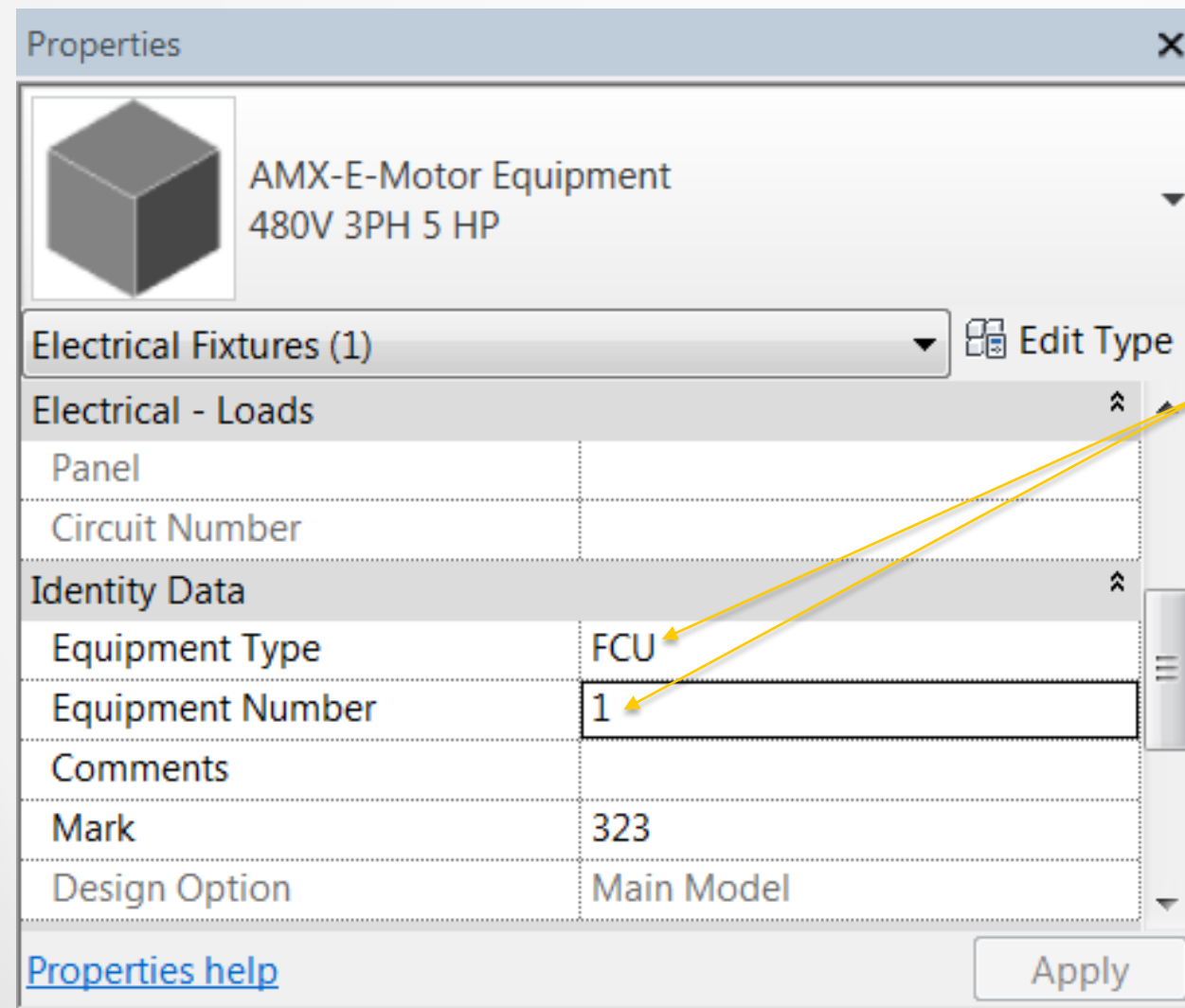
# Coordination between Electrical and Other Disciplines

- Layout your motor connector to line up with the mechanical equipment then lock it onto the equipment and directly tag the mechanical equipment



# Coordination between Electrical and Other Disciplines

- Update the Shared Parameter “Equipment Type” & “Equipment Number” to match mechanical



Properties

AMX-E-Motor Equipment  
480V 3PH 5 HP

Electrical Fixtures (1) Edit Type

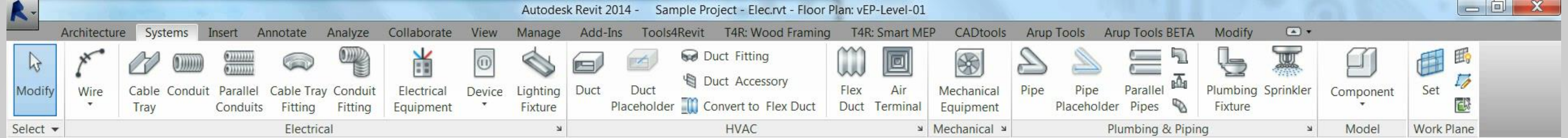
Electrical - Loads

Panel	
Circuit Number	
Identity Data	
Equipment Type	FCU
Equipment Number	1
Comments	
Mark	323
Design Option	Main Model

[Properties help](#) Apply

Update to match  
mechanical





Properties

Floor Plan  
Power - Sheet

Floor Plan: vEP-Level-01 Edit Type

Graphics

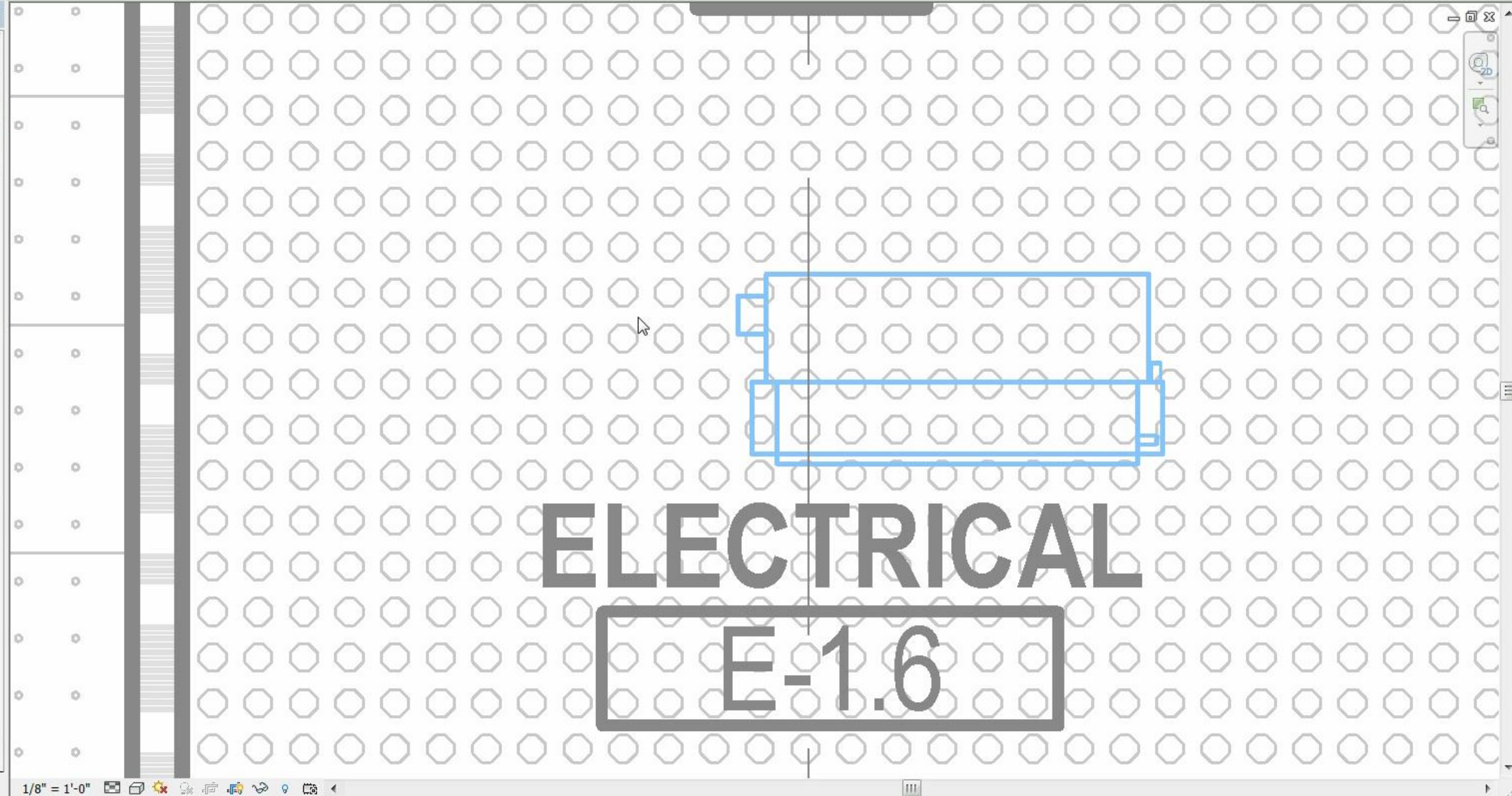
View Scale	1/8" = 1'-0"
Scale Value 1:	96
Display Model	Normal
Detail Level	Medium
Parts Visibility	Show Original
Visibility/Graphics Over...	Edit...
Graphic Display Options	Edit...
Underlay	None
Underlay Orientation	Plan
Orientation	By Scope Box
Wall Join Display	Clean all wall joins
Discipline	Electrical
Color Scheme Location	Background
Color Scheme	<none>
System Color Schemes	Edit...
Default Analysis Display...	None
Visible In Option	all
Sub-Discipline	Power - Sheet Views (sv)
Sun Path	<input type="checkbox"/>

Identity Data

View Template	AMX - Electrical Power
View Name	vEP-Level-01
Dependency	Independent

[Properties help](#) Apply

Project Browser - Sample Project - Elec.rvt Properties



Click to select, TAB for alternates, CTRL adds, SHIFT unselects.

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<Electrical - Mechanical Coordination>								
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FCU Horiz. (350-750 CFM)	FCU	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			460	3	2.00
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From electrical  
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From electrical  
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From mechanical  
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Shared parameters between elec and mech

From mechanical equipment

Change type to match mechanical size

From electrical connector

Shared parameters between elec and mech

# Coordination between Electrical and Other Disciplines

<MOTOR EQUIPMENT SCHEDULE>																			
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T
EQUIPMENT							BRANCH CIRCUIT				BRANCH WIRING				CONTROLLER		REMOTE DISCONNECT		
TYPE	NO.	DESCRIPTION	VOLTAGE	HP	KVA	FLA	PANEL	CIRCUIT NUMBER	TRIP RATING	PHASE	SETS	QTY/SIZE	GROUND SIZE	CONDUIT SIZE	TYPE	COMBINATION (YES/NO)	TYPE	RATING	NOTES
FCU	1	FAN COIL UNIT	480	2	2.8	3	LSPP2HA	2,4,6	15	3	1	#12	#12	1/2"		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		0 A	
FCU	2	FAN COIL UNIT	480	5	6.3	8	LSPP2HA	3,5,7	15	3	1	#12	#12	1/2"		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		0 A	

# Questions???

## Thanks for attending!

# Session Feedback

- Via the Survey Stations, email or mobile device
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- Instructors see results in real-time







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