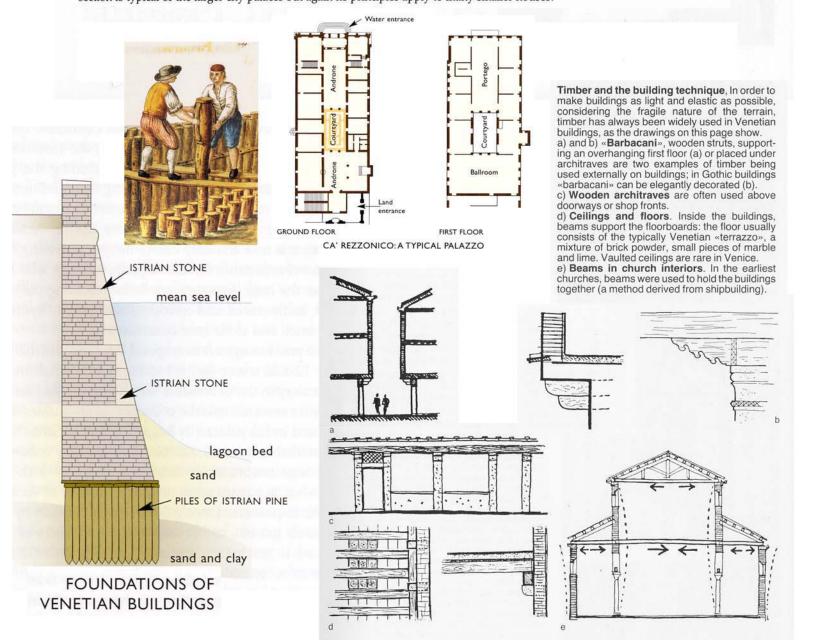


17 Plan (at first-floor level) and cross-section of a typical city *palazzo*. The structural principles are applicable to nearly all of the smaller *palazzetti* and the villas of Murano and the Giudecca, as well as many more modest houses. The primary features are the four parallel loadbearing walls (shown solid black) and the floor beams all spanning onto them; this arrangement applies to all floor levels. The section is typical of the larger city palaces but again its principles apply to many smaller houses.



Water and the urban form. The developing city had to adapt to the particular terrain on which it was built: sand and water, as illustrated in the drawings on the opposite page.

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a) Foundations: main walls are built on blocks of stone resting on wooden platforms supported by piles driven down into the mud - all below sea level.

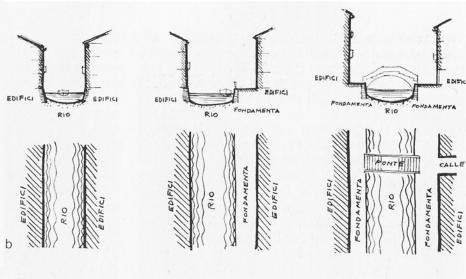
b) «Rii», small canals, can have «fondamente» - quaysides - on one or both sides.

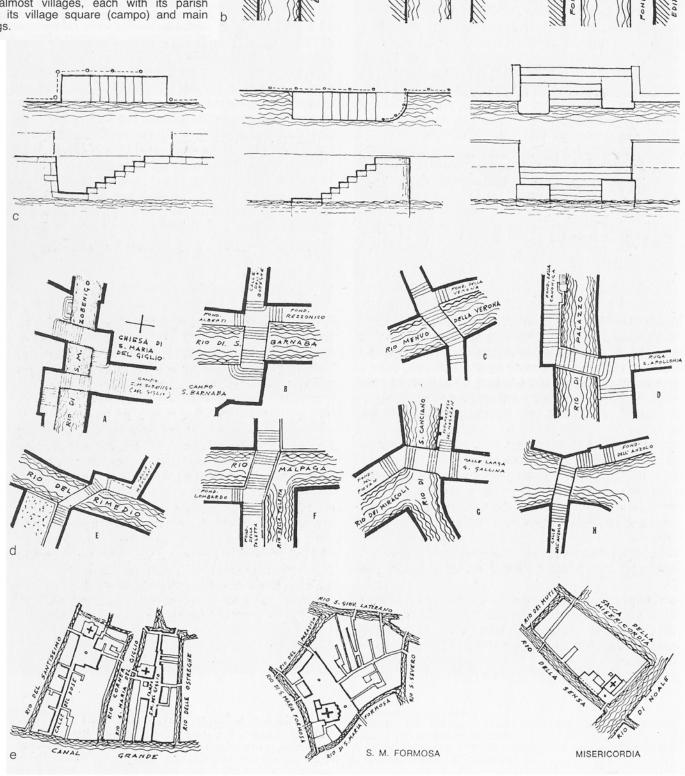
c) Water steps for boats are variously designed parallel or perpendicular to the canal, protruding into the water or set back, so that there is always one step at the right level, despite the changing tide.

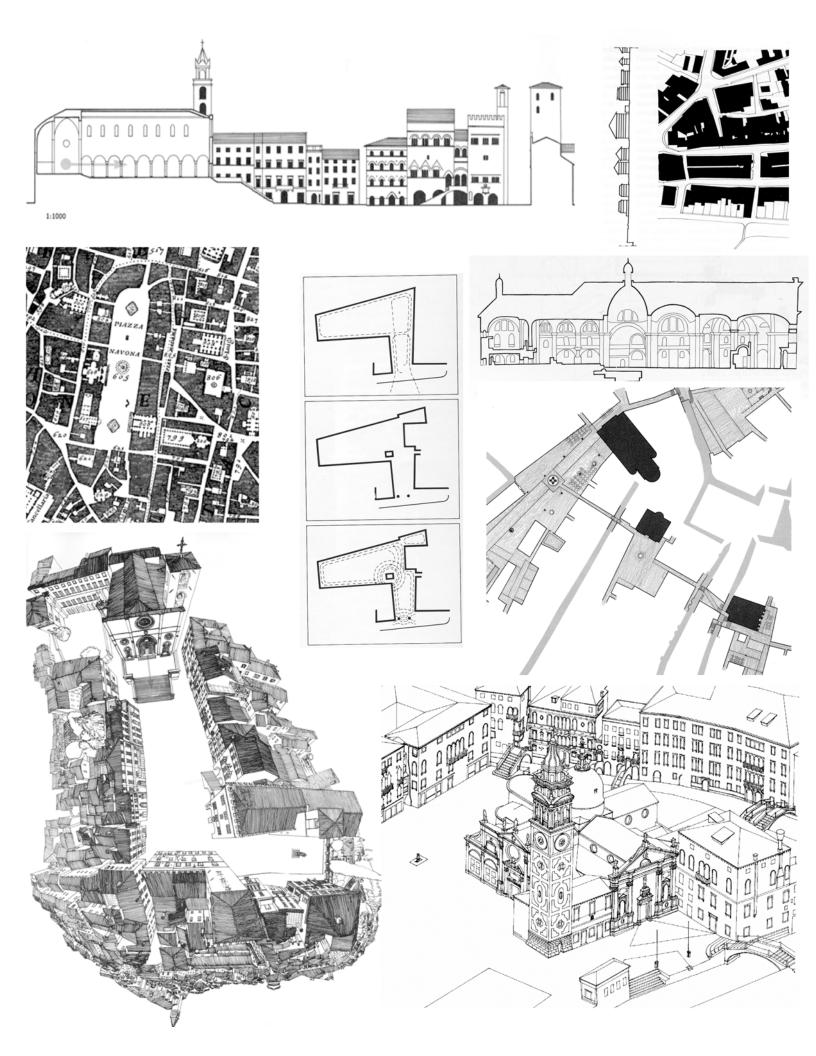
d) **Bridges** are of various shapes and sizes, according to the layout of the streets leading to them

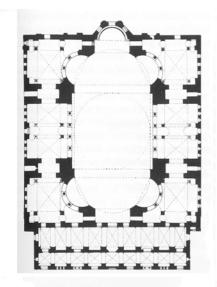
e) **Urban islands**: the city is built on over a hundred islands; these often form autonomous units, almost villages, each with its parish church, its village square (campo) and main buildings.

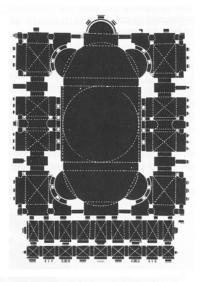
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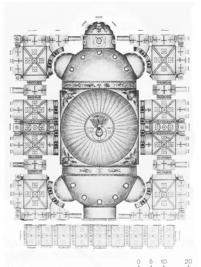
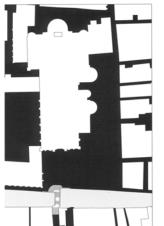
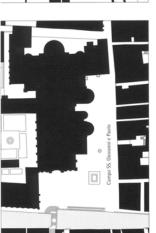




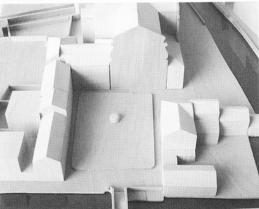


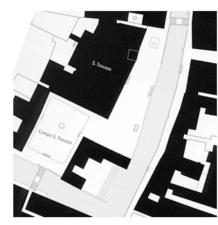
FIGURE - GROUND - SHADOW - SPACE - STRUCTURE

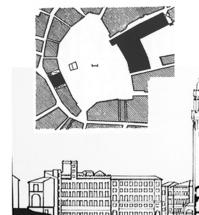


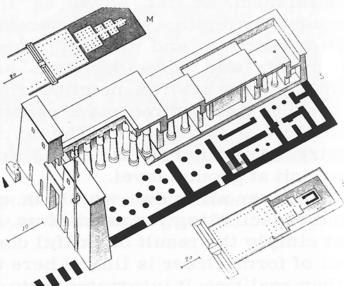




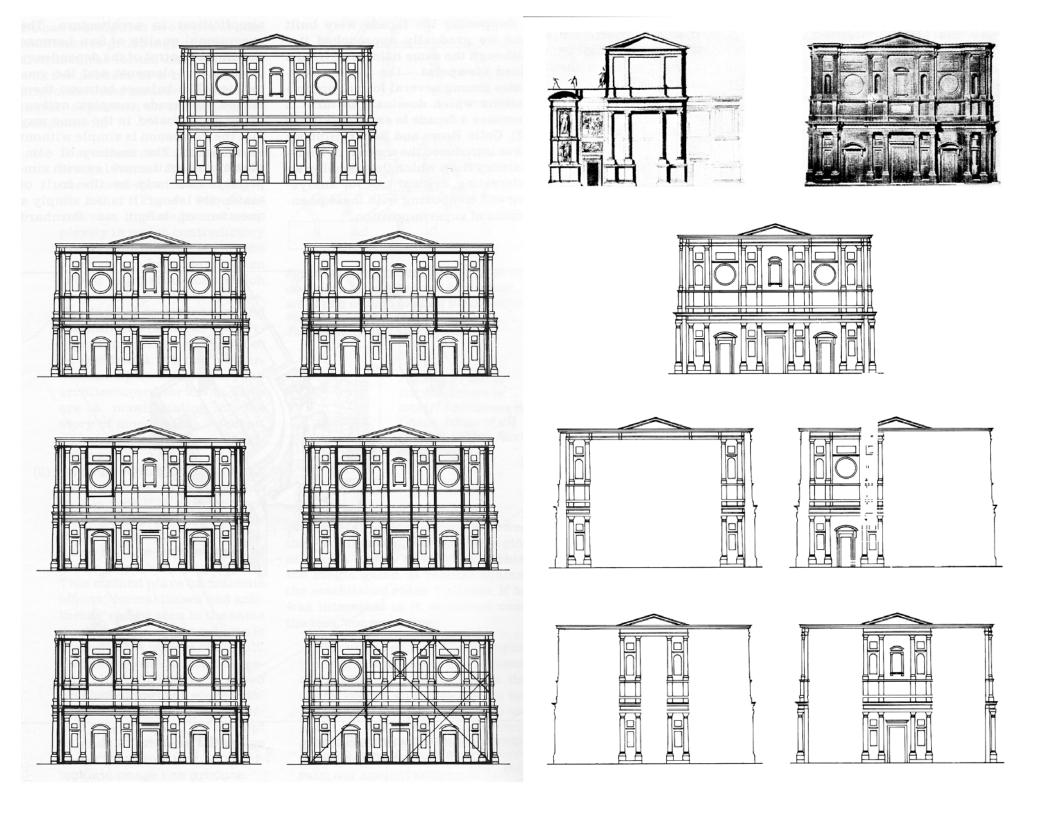


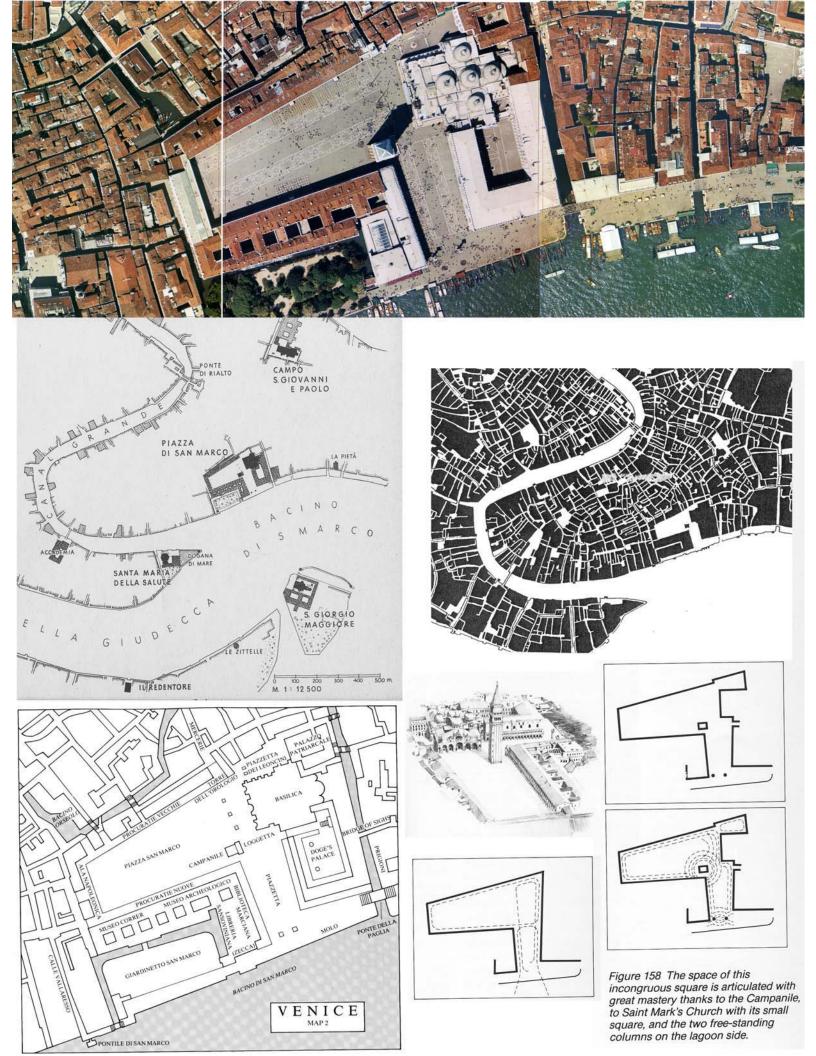


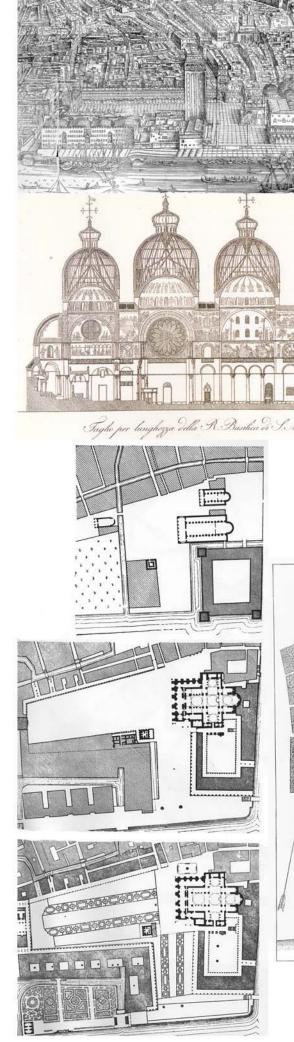


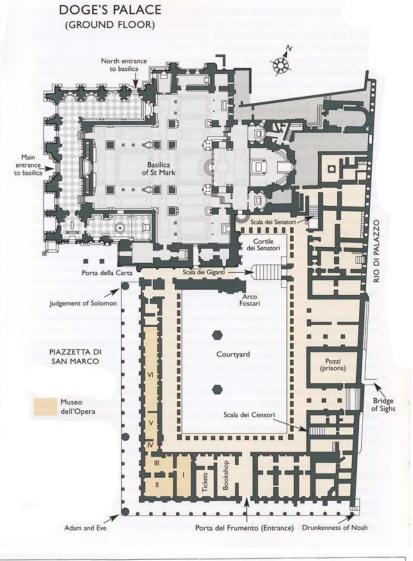


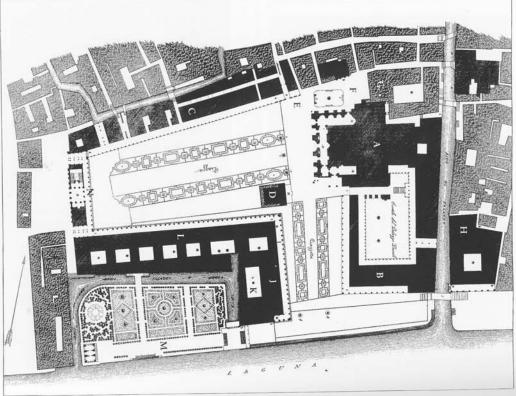












IOI Piazza San Marco, plan showing the layout after Sansovino's remodelling (from L. Cicognara, A. Diedo and G. Selva, *Le fabbriche e i monumenti cospicue di Venezia*, I, Venice, 1838). A: San Marco; B: Palazzo Ducale; C: Procuratie Vecchie; D: Campanile; E: Torre dell'Orologio; F: Piazzetta dei Leoncini; G: Palazzo Patriarcale; H: prisons; I: Loggetta; J: Library; K: Zecca; L: Procuratie Nuove; M: Giardini Reali; N: Ala Napoleonica

