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Exercise 2 u/dis - topias

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Agenda

- Utopia/Sustainability Intro (5 min)
- Miroboard: identify genesis, characteristics and implications for sustainability (25 min)
- Wrap-up discussion (15 min)

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https://www.wallpaperflare.com/green-leafed-tree-illustration-fantasy-land-drawing-city-cityscape-wallpaper-szg

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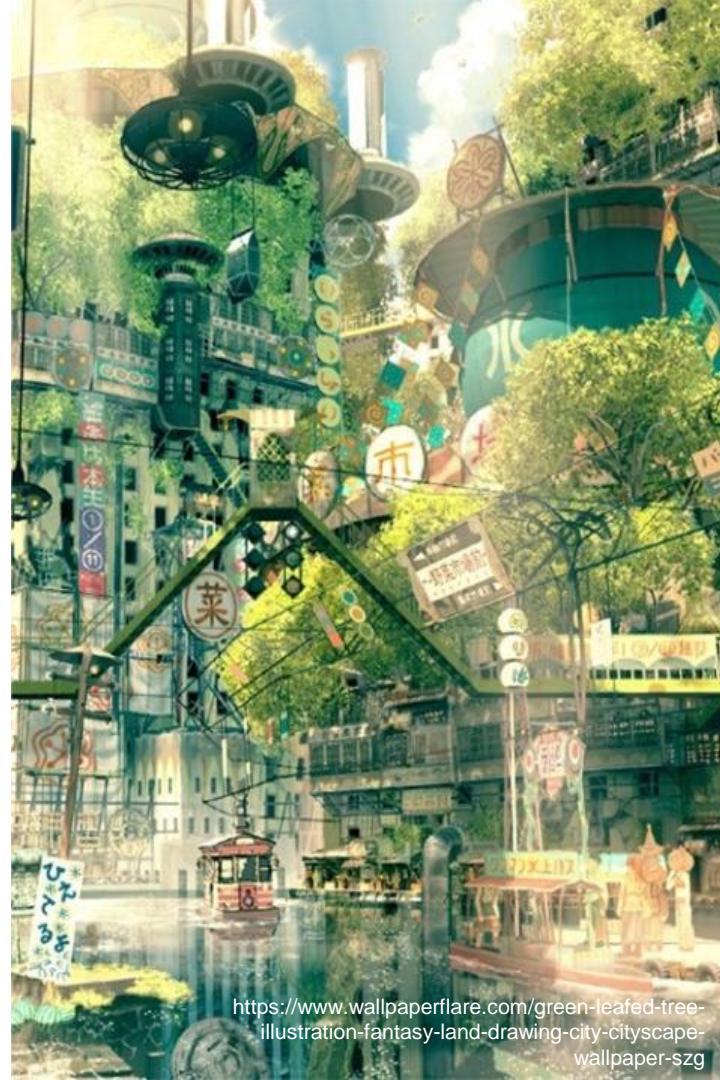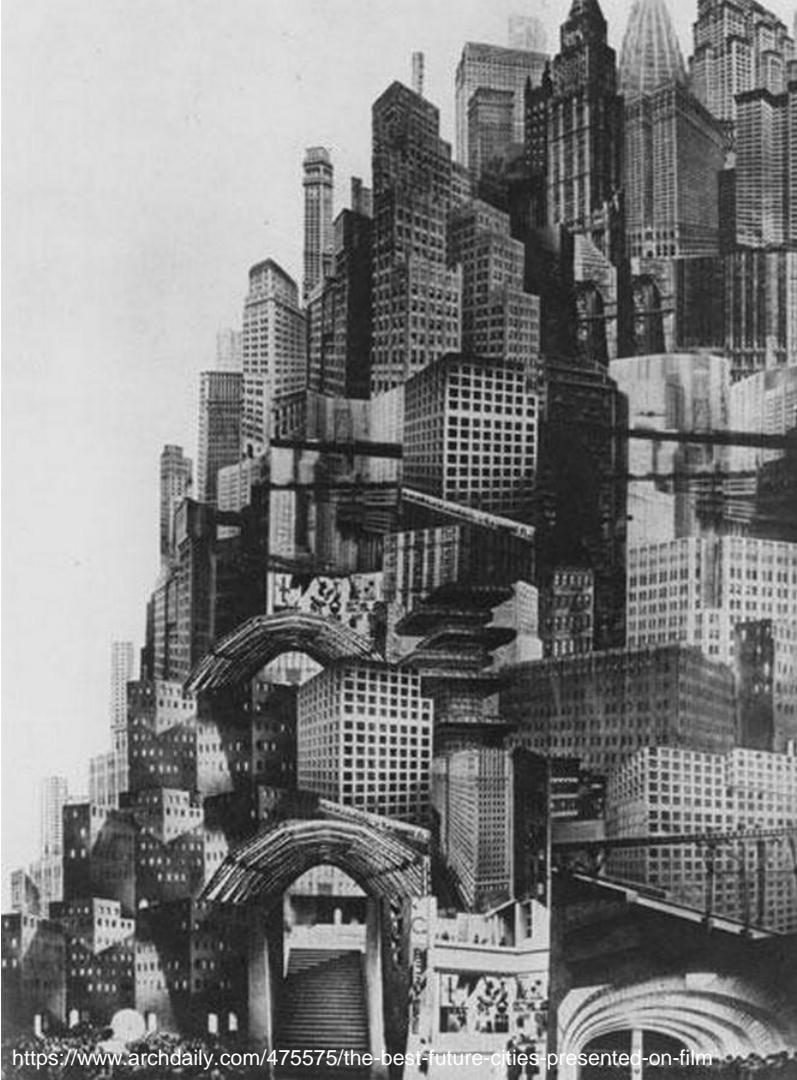
Utopia

Definition

- Ou (Not) + Topos (Place)

- No Place??

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Utopia + Urbanism

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Hausman Paris Plan **1853**

Radiant City **1930**


15 min City **2016**
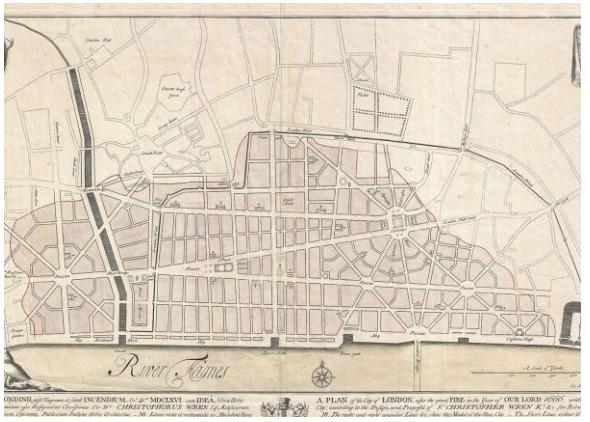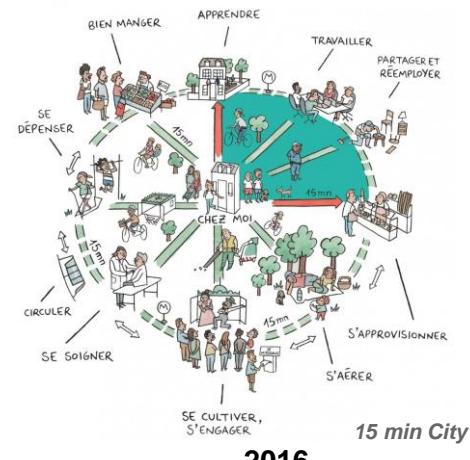
1666 *Christopher Wren's London Plan*
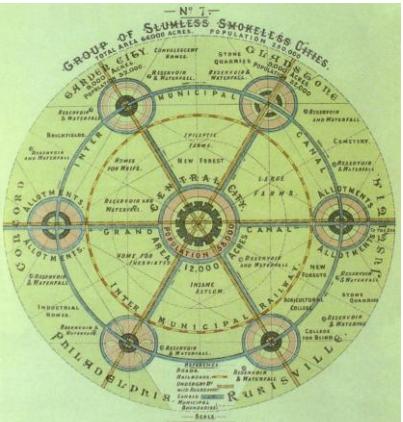
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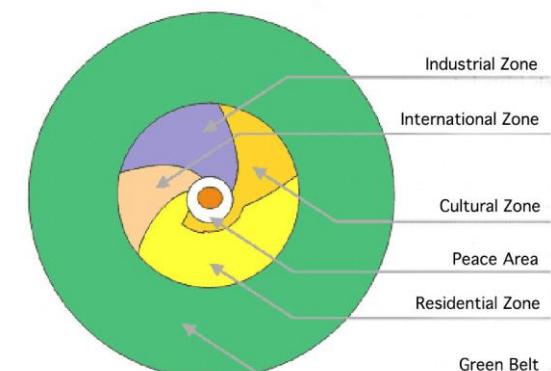
1968 *Auroville*

Peace Area, City Zones, and Green Belt

Industrial Zone

International Zone

Cultural Zone

Peace Area

Residential Zone

Green Belt

UTOPIAE INSVLAE FIGVRA
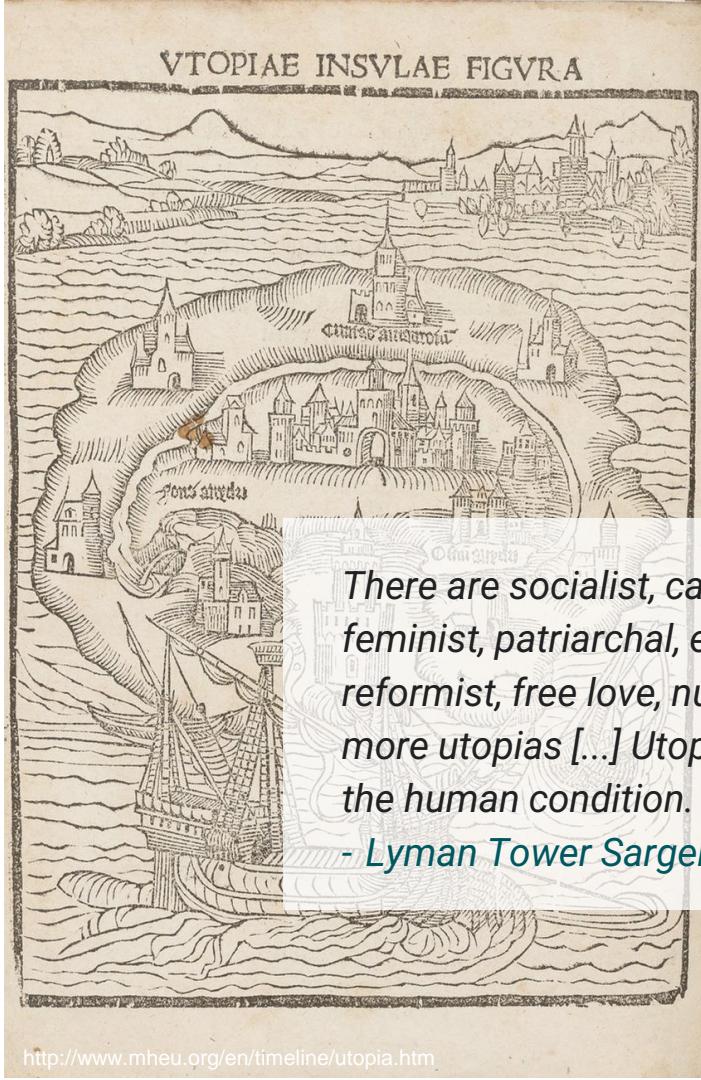
There are socialist, capitalist, monarchical, democratic, anarchist, ecological, feminist, patriarchal, egalitarian, hierarchical, racist, left-wing, right-wing, reformist, free love, nuclear family, extended family, gay, lesbian and many more utopias [...] Utopianism, some argue, is essential for the improvement of the human condition. [...] Utopia has an inherent contradictory nature here.
- Lyman Tower Sargent, Utopianism: A very short introduction (2010)

http://www.mheu.org/en/timeline/utopia.htm

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Utopias

Dystopias

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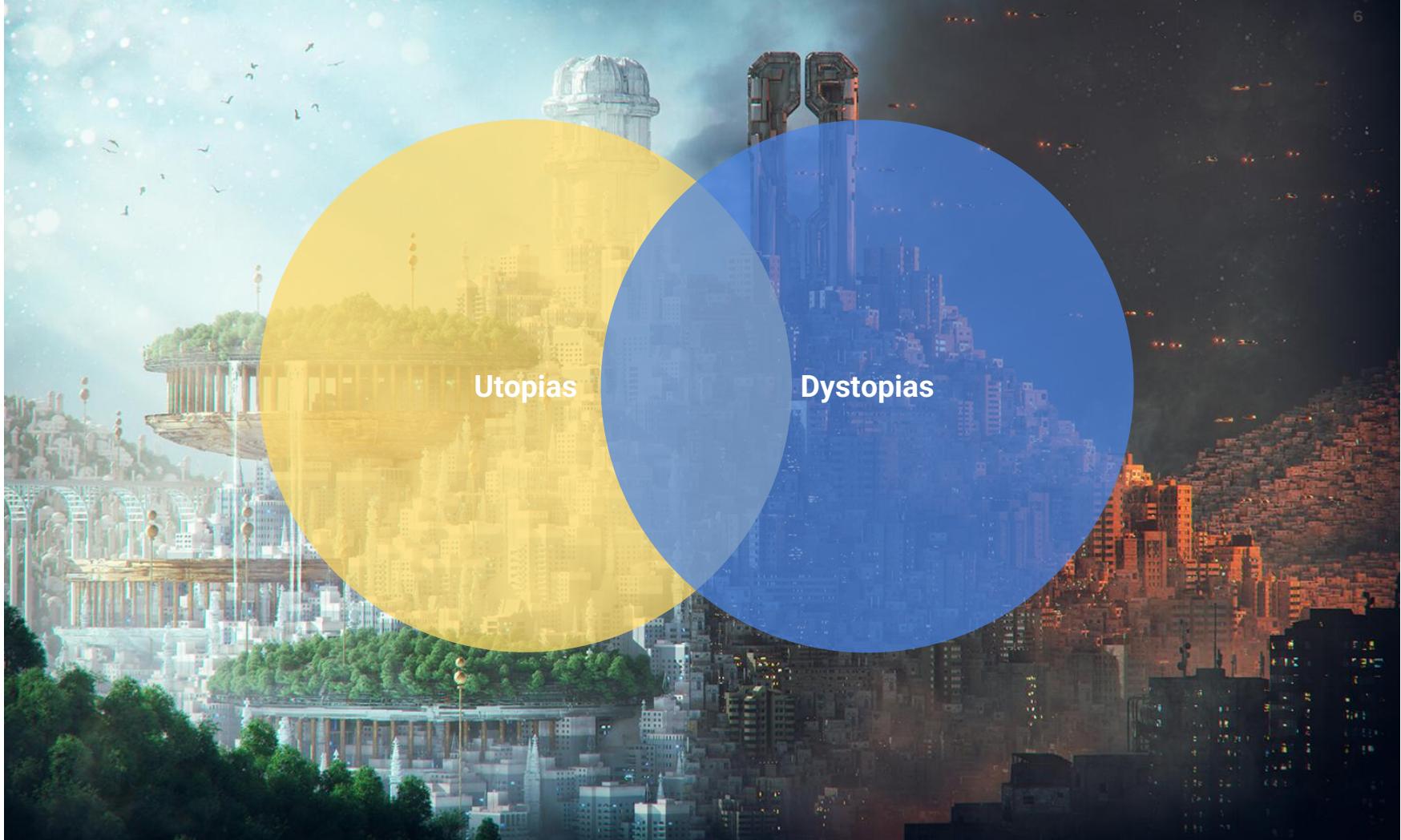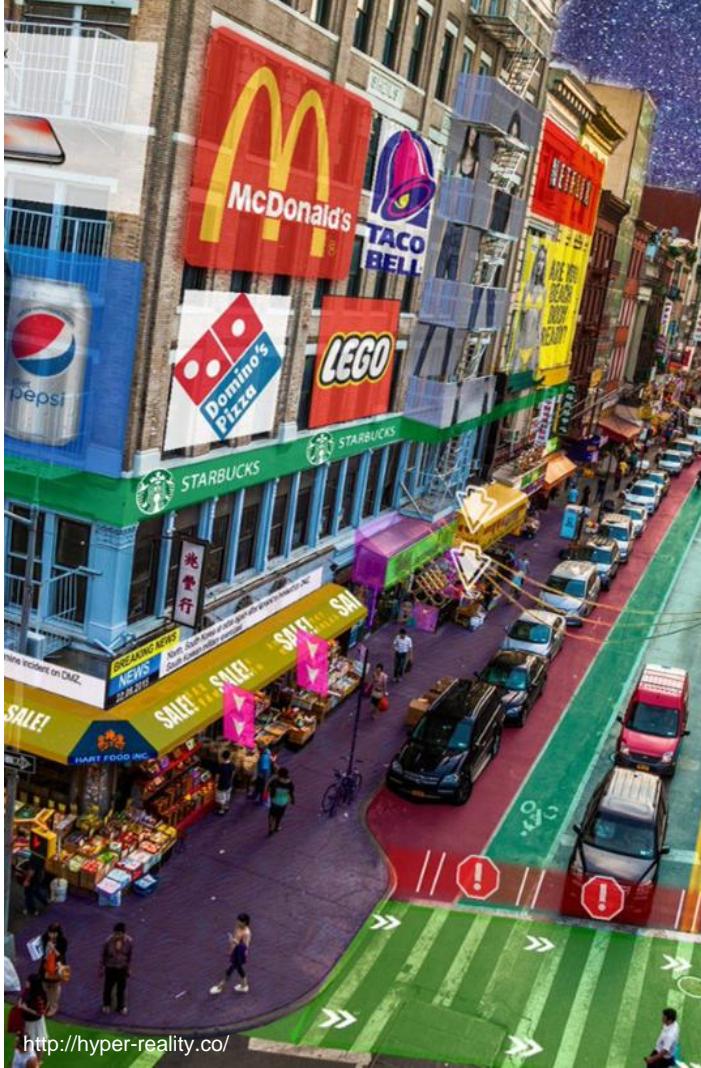
Instructions

1. Split into groups of 4-5 students

2. Go to the [Miro board]

3. Look at the utopia/dystopias. For a few of them, add post-its with notes on:

   1. Their genesis

   2. Characteristics that distinguish them from other ways of organizing society

   3. Implications for sustainability

Discussion

- What are common issues that utopias or distopias are a reaction to?

- What are common characteristics that you saw?

- How are the sustainability implications in the utopias/dystopias related to real cities?

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The Matrix: Resurrections 2021

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Utopias	≠	Destination
Utopias	=	Journey

Sustainability	≠	Destination
Sustainability	=	Process?

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Last thoughts...
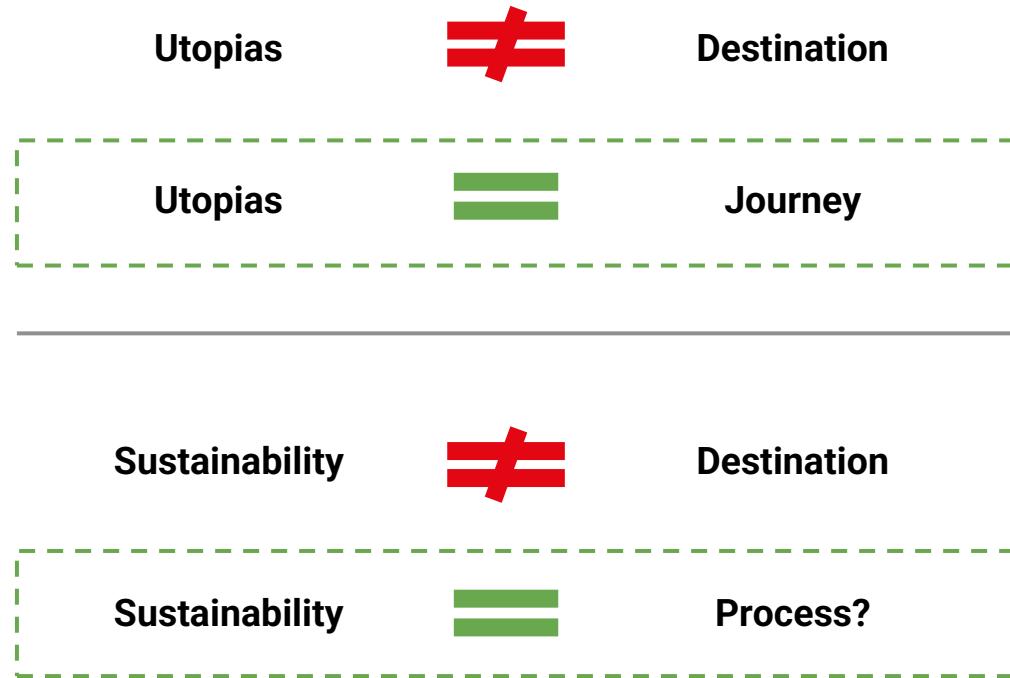
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Ruminate on today's discussion and exercise, and what implications they have on existing cities and their futures.

Identify themes that are shared across a handful of cities.

From these cities identify pertinent issues and goals that they have in common.