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Why is it that architecture has continually been imagined, defined, or designed as a machine? Does this refer to an actual building — its structure and construction — or solely to its technical components? Might it even refer to its use? Could it then be taken to include its users? Are they too a part of the machine? If so, do they control the machine, or does the machine control them? Which kinds of machine do these concepts refer to? How have they and their relationship with architecture changed over time? And when did all of this begin? More fundamentally: Are the concept of the machine and its history still of relevance to architecture today?

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