



"The essence of privacy is the control of information flow."



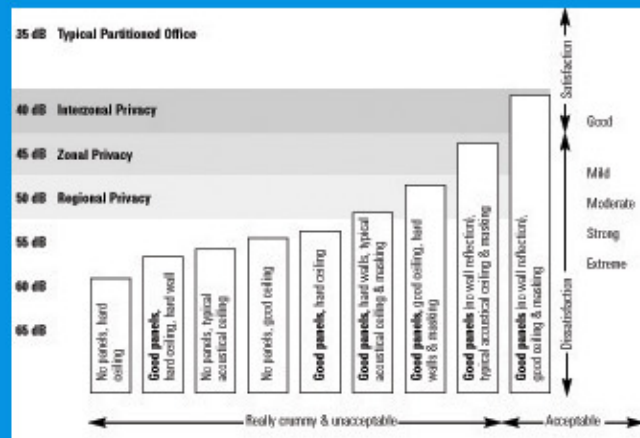
Franklin Becker  
Beyond Four Walls and a Door, 2001.

The experts have found two ways to keep sound paths from disturbing people:  
1) change the angles of the two diffracting paths.  
2) lower the sound level and speech intelligibility of the sound traveling on reflecting and direct paths.

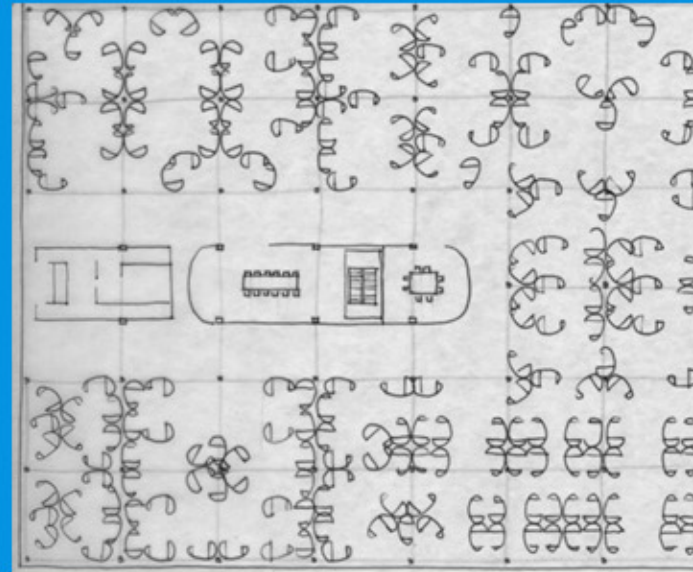
"by increasing the height and width of dividing panels or by adding hang-on storage components, the angles of diffracted sound waves can be flattened."

"Statistical analysis found no apparent relationship between acoustical privacy and amount of enclosure as measured by panel height." -2002 Herman Miller study

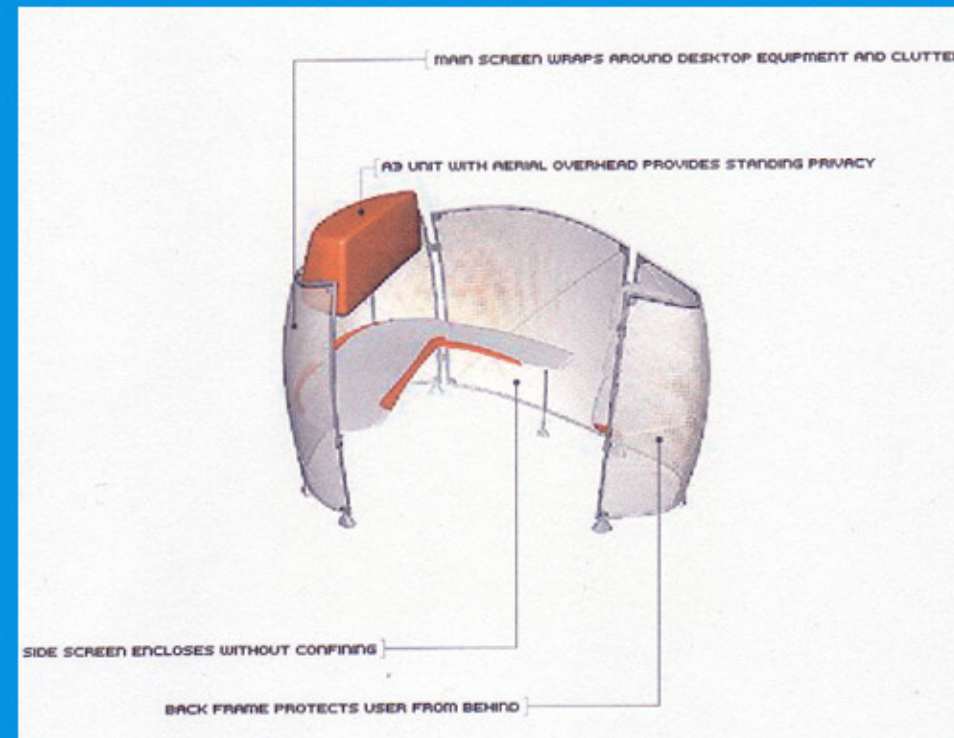
This chart shows how little can be achieved from adding a good acoustical panel to a space that lacks a good ceiling and walls.



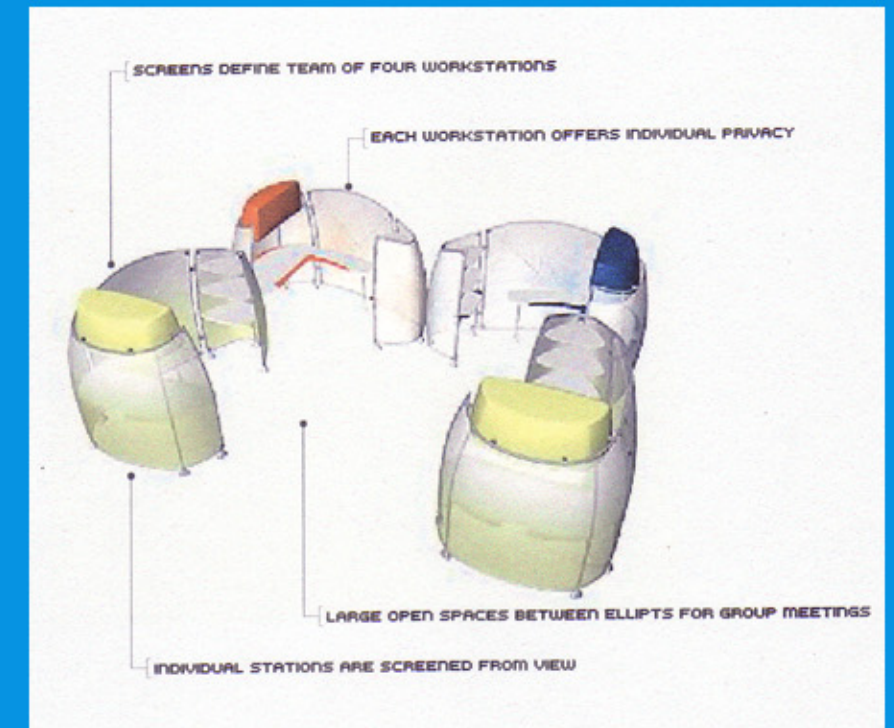
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