Elisas Strange Case - Processing sketch

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"AS IS" pi pa po etc.

This is a visual puzzle for an Escape room; using Processing 4 and a raspberry pi 3.

The Raspberry is connected to two computer monitors.

A 2x2 video wall controller splits up the HDMI out to four screen, using only two possible outputs of the controller.

Processing 4 is imitating some sort of medical device that measures two different brainwaves, which have to be synchronized to solve the puzzle.

The GPIO pins are used for switches and rotary encoders which control the animation.

UDP messages are sent and received wie ethernet to tie in with the IT system of the escape room.

Run this with processing.org or standalone when compiled on mac/win/linux/raspberry pi.

This was intended to run on raspberry pi 3.

Raspberry pi 4 does not work (yet) because: GPIO issues (related issue of processing) and autostart issues

When not on Raspberry Pi with GPIO pins and 4 connected rotary encoders, set GPIO_AVAILABLE to false and DEBUG to true. You can develop on machines now without GPIOs.

The processing sketch runs automatically on startup.

Press number keys 0-6 or left/right arrow keys to change stages of the animation manually.

Press ESC or right mouse button to go to desktop and abort the shutdown process by pressing "Yes".

STAGES

Stage#	Content	Interaction	At end of stage
0	Blackout.	Nothing works.	waits for UDP signal
1	Message "AWAITING INPUT".	Flick the switch!	waits for UDP signal
2	Startup sequence of computer.	Wait.	auto-jumps to stage 3
3	Elisas curves, without connected brainalizer on players head	Nothing works. Awaiting User to plug in Headset.	waits for UDP signal
4	Elisas curves, with connected brainalizer.	Adjust with dials to sync brainwaves.	auto-jumps to next stage when synched

Stage#	Content	Interaction	At end of stage
5	Message "SUCCESS"	Wait.	waits for UDP signal
6	Elisas thoughts as sequence in DE & EN	Wait.	waits for UDP signal

UDP

Sending UDP Messages @ 53544:

data	info		
sync_ready	initially "loaded" stage 3+4 (only on startup)		
sync_boot	is sent when user sflicks the switch on the computer		
sync_success	both curves where properly aligned by the player		
sync_end_of_thoughts	is sent after the last thought of elisa on stage 6		
sync_died	program closed or died		

Listens to UDP Messages @ port 53545:

data	info
<pre>sync_stage0, sync_stage1 etc</pre>	Jump to a specific stage (∅6).
sync_skipLoading	can be used to skip the initial loading process if it takes forever. (Stage 3+4 will stay slow)
sync_shutdown	Gracefully shuts down the raspberry pi. Wait a minute to pull the power though.

IP & USER

The IP address is fixed to 192.168.178.97.

• username raspberry pi: esc

• password raspberry pi: synchron

EXIT / RESTART APPLICATION

Press ESC or right mouse button to exit the program and see the desktop.

The program asks you to shut down.

Double click the file play sh on the desktop to play the application.

Double click the file update.sh on the desktop to update the application.

To see the whole screen on one monitor, press the "SPLITTER" button on the "video wall hdmi" remote inside the computer case.

To reset the screens, press the "2x2" button on the remote.

UPDATE

If adjustments to the scripts are needed, call f.luescher 0787424834 or info@fluescher.ch.

After changes are made, double click the file update.sh on the desktop to pull latest changes made - be sure to deliver an internet connection (disconnect Ethernet cable from back and make a wifi connection). During loading, you'll see a new version number on the left screen pop up.

LUCKY NUMBERS

Knob	Target	from	to	Error margin
Amplitude	+345	327	363	±18
Frequency	+307	289	325	±18
Scale	+12	2	22	±10
De-noise	+424	374	474	±50

NERD STUFF

Deployment

- 1. To be safe, delete every linux-* deployment folder to make sure everything gets updated.
- 2. Build with processing 4 on mac (Processing 4 -> File -> export application -> Export). forget java. Build empties the folder(s) /linux-* first.
- 3. git add ., git commit, git push on mac
- 4. git pull on raspi 3

Note:

The play_graceful_shutdown_arm.sh &play_graceful_shutdown_aarch64.sh script auto-links the missing java library file into the compiled /lib folder because those files are not delivered by processing, see here.

Each system must use its own:

• For arm (rpi3):

```
~/Applications/processing-
4.1.2/modes/java/libraries/io/library/linux-armv6hf/libprocessing-
io.so
```

• For aarch64 (rpi4):

```
ln -s ~/Applications/processing-
4.1.2/modes/java/libraries/io/library/linux-arm64/libprocessing-
io.so
```

Those files need the be in the exported linux-*/lib folders.

If those files are not present, the error will be no processing—io in java.library.path

Helpers

logging of boot:

```
tail -f ~/.cache/lxsession/LXDE-pi/run.log
```

start elisas_synchronotron:

```
sudo ~/Applications/sketchbook/elisas_synchronotron/linux-
arm/elisas_synchronotron
```

change startup things:

```
nano ~/.config/lxsession/LXDE-pi/autostart
```

If java is not found or java says "this application was build with a newer version of java":

EITHER: Update / install newest java

```
sudo apt install openjdk-17-jdk -y
```

OR: Use & make symlink to java that is used by processing editor (not needed if openjdk 17 is installed):

`sudo ln -s ~/Applications/processing-4.1.2/java/bin/java /usr/bin`

SETUP A NEW ELISAS SYNCHRONOTRON RASPI

Clone image from backup

• Use balenaEtcher to clone 24-04-23 Raspi3mitElisasSynchronisator.img.zip from archive HDD for raspi 3.

• Use balenaEtcher to clone 24-04-23 Raspi4mitElisasSynchronisator.img.zip from archive HDD for raspi 4.

Note:

Rpi4 is not yet ready because issue #1 and #2.

For a fresh install

1. Install raspian on an SD card

Use Raspberry pi Imager to flash an >=16GB micro SD card.

Set device, set Operating system (for raspi 4, choose Raspberry pi OS (64-BIT)), set target storage device, click "write".

2. Boot raspi first time

user: esc pw: synchron

3. Get repository

Get the repo, it's public (now) so don't worry about nothing.

```
cd ~/.
mkdir Applications && cd Applications
mkdir sketchbook && cd sketchbook
git clone https://github.com/falue/elisas_synchronotron.git
```

4. Configure autostart

- ARM: Copy scripts/autostart_arm to ~/.config/lxsession/LXDE-pi/autostart (rename to just autostart)
- AARCH64: Copy scripts/autostart_aarch64 to ~/.config/pcmanfm/LXDEpi/autostart (rename to just autostart) Note: Not yet tested

5. Install processing 4.1.2 for raspian

Get this version: https://github.com/benfry/processing4/releases?q=4.1.2

```
tar -xvzf processing-4.1.2-linux-arm64.tgz
```

- move to Applications/processing-4.1.2
- Try to start the application and open the main .pde file. Start the animation. Does it run?

Library problems:

- No library found for controlP5 -> in library manager look for "controlP5"
- No library found for processing.io -> in library manager look for "processing-io" -> "processing.io" -> "Hardware I/O"
- No library found for hypermedia.net -> in library manager look for "UDP" by Stephane Cousot (!!)

5. Install java (maybe?)

```
sudo apt install openjdk-17-jdk -y
```

6. Move fitting files to desktop

Copy update.sh + play.sh shell script files from scripts/ to desktop for easy access.

7. Allow files to be executed directly

Folder window -> Edit -> Preferences -> check "Dont ask options on launch of executable file"

8. Set background image

Find something fancy.

9. Enable SSH

Start Menu -> Raspberry Pi Configuration -> Interfaces -> Check SSH Because why not?

10. Enable GPIO

Start Menu -> Raspberry Pi Configuration -> Interfaces -> Check REMOTE GPIO (potentially useful)

11. Add static ip

Use the Raspberry Pi OS Guide to set a Static IP or do it manually:

```
hostname —I
```

```
grep "nameserver" /etc/resolv.conf
```

sudo nano /etc/dhcpcd.conf

Add or change at end of file:

interface eth0
static_routers=[hostname]
static domain_name_servers=[nameserver]
static ip_address=[STATIC IP ADDRESS YOU WANT]/24

interface can be eth0 or wlan0.

Enjoy!