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Education

- 02/2014 – 10/2014: Certificate in Tertiary Education
Auckland University of Technology, New Zealand
- 02/2007 – 01/2011: PhD in Computer Science
Thesis Title: **A Virtual Environment for Medical Teamwork Training with Support for Non-Verbal Communication Using Consumer-Level Hardware and Software**
The University of Auckland, New Zealand
- 10/2002 – 09/2005: Master of Science in Computer Science, Human-Computer Interaction
Thesis Title: **Evolving autonomous locomotion of virtual characters in a simulated physical environment via neural networks and evolutionary strategies**
University of Applied Sciences Gelsenkirchen, Germany
- 10/1994 – 09/1998: Diplom in Technical Microcomputer Science
University of Applied Sciences Gelsenkirchen, Germany

Research Interests

- Primary
 - Virtual and Interactive Environments
 - 3D Data Visualisation
 - 3D Graphics
 - Human-Computer Interaction
- Secondary
 - Simulation
 - Serious Games
 - Robotics and Electronics
 - Computer Science Education

Work and Teaching Experience

- Since 01/2025: Associate Professor at Auckland University of Technology
- 01/2020 – 01/2021: Postgraduate Programme Leader, Creative Technologies, School of Future Environments, Faculty of Design and Creative Technologies, Auckland University of Technology
- 01/2016 – 12/2024: Senior Lecturer at Auckland University of Technology
 - 2025 S2:
 - Synthetic Realities (CTEC601)
 - Physical Computing (ENEL599)
 - 2024 S2:
 - Synthetic Realities (CTEC601)
 - Physical Computing (ENEL599)
 - 2024 S1:
 - Synthetic Realities (CTEC601)
 - Virtual and Immersive Environments (COMP770)
 - 2023 S2:
 - Synthetic Realities (CTEC601)
 - Physical Computing (ENEL599)
 - 2023 S1:
 - Programming for Creativity (COMP570)
 - Virtual and Immersive Environments (COMP770)
 - 2022 S2:
 - Physical Computing (ENEL599)
 - Synthetic Realities (CTEC601)
 - Special Topic B (CTEC809) – 3D Artworks in Metaverse Advertising
 - 2022 S1:
 - Programming for Creativity (COMP570)
 - Virtual and Immersive Environments (COMP770)
 - 2021 S2:
 - Physical Computing (ENEL599)
 - Synthetic Realities (CTEC601)
 - Research Practicum B (CTEC706) – Telemetry for Pest Control Devices
 - 2021 S1:
 - Programming for Creativity (COMP570)
 - Virtual and Immersive Environments (COMP770)
 - Special Topic B (CTEC809) – BIM to VR Workflow
 - 2020 S2:
 - Physical Computing (ENEL599)
 - Special Topic A (CTEC808) – Virtual Production
 - 2020 S1:
 - Programming for Creativity (COMP570)
 - Virtual and Immersive Environments (COMP770)
 - 2019 S2:
 - Physical Computing (ENEL599)
 - Research Practicum 2 (CTEC708) – Glove for VR visualisation gesture control

- 2019 S1:
 - Programming for Creativity (COMP570)
 - Virtual and Immersive Environments (COMP770)
 - Research Practicum 1 (CTEC706) – Gesture input for VR visualisations
- 2018 S2:
 - Physical Computing (ENEL599)
 - Synthetic Realities (CTEC601)
 - Research Practicum 2 (CTEC708) – Evaluation of Machine Learning principles for Gesture Recognition in VR
- 2018 S1:
 - Programming for Creativity (COMP570)
 - Virtual and Immersive Environments (COMP770)
 - Research Practicum 1 (CTEC706) – TensorFlow Gesture Recognition for VR
- 2017 S1:
 - Synthetic Realities (CTEC601)
 - Virtual and Immersive Environments (COMP770)
 - Research Practicum 1 (CTEC706) – UI/UX Design for MR technology
 - Special Topic A (CTEC808) – MR Technology for Museums
 - Special Topic A (CTEC808) – Visualisations of Social Networks
- 2016 S2:
 - Physical Computing (ENEL599)
 - Research Practicum 1 (CTEC706) – VR Technology Review, VR in Arts Therapy review
- 2016 S1:
 - Programming for Creativity (COMP570)
 - Creative Technologies Studio III and V (CTEC607 and CTEC708)
 - Virtual and Immersive Environments (COMP770)
 - Research Practicum 1 (CTEC706) – Gesture input, Cave rendering
 - Special Topic A (CTEC808) – Parallel Robots
- 02/2011 – 01/2016: Lecturer at Auckland University of Technology
 - 2015 S2:
 - Creative Technologies Studio II (CTEC503) – Year 1 Leader
 - Physical Computing (ENEL599)
 - Creative Technologies Studio IV and VI (CTEC608, CTEC709)
 - Research Practicum 1 (CTEC706) – Virtual Caves
 - Reading (CTEC807) – Virtual Reality Content and Devices
 - 2015 S1:
 - Creative Technologies Studio I (CTEC501) – Year 1 Leader
 - Programming for Creativity (COMP570)
 - Virtual and Immersive Environments (COMP770)
 - Special Topic A (CTEC808) – Haptic Feedback Glove
 - 2014 S2:
 - Creative Technologies Studio II (175004) – Year 1 Leader
 - Physical Computing (175007)
 - Virtual and Immersive Environments (177006)
 - Partial teaching for 3D Visualisation (ARDN500)
 - 2014 S1:
 - Creative Technologies Studio I (175001) – Year 1 Leader
 - Programming for Creativity (175003)
 - Creative Technologies Studio III and V (176001 and 177001)

- 2013 S2:
 - Physical Computing (175007)
 - Simulated, Immersive and Interactive Environments II (176008)
- 2013 S1:
 - Programming for Creativity (175003)
 - Creative Technologies Studio III and V (176001 and 177001)
 - Game Programming (717310)
- 2012 S2:
 - Programming 2 (405704)
 - Game Programming (717310)
- 2012 S1:
 - Programming 2 (405704)
 - Computer Organisation (715187)
- 2011 S2:
 - Programming 2 (405704)
 - Computer Graphics (716288)
- 2011 S1:
 - Programming 2 (405704)
 - Computer Graphics and Animation (407918)
- 03/2008 – 11/2010: Tutor and marker at The University of Auckland
 - Principles of Computer Science (CompSci 105)
 - Computer Graphics & Image Processing (CompSci 373)
 - Advanced Computer Graphics (CompSci 715)
- 03/2009 – 11/2010: ObserverXT consultant for Noldus Information Technology
Technical support and project assistance for the Faculty of Education
- 05/2006 – 10/2006: Software developer, Four2B GmbH
Creation of an image processing framework for automated testing of mobile phones
- 01/2001 – 04/2006: Soft- and hardware developer, ET ELECTROTECHNOLOGY GmbH
Team-based development of embedded systems and visualisation software for the steel producing industry
- 10/1997 – 12/2000: Soft- and hardware developer, MBS GmbH
Team leader of the R&D department for mobile weighing systems
- 06/1994 – 09/1994: Internship, Ruhrkohle AG, Auguste Victoria
Installation and maintenance of Unix process visualisation systems for a colliery
- 01/1994 – 04/1994: Internship, Evonik Industries

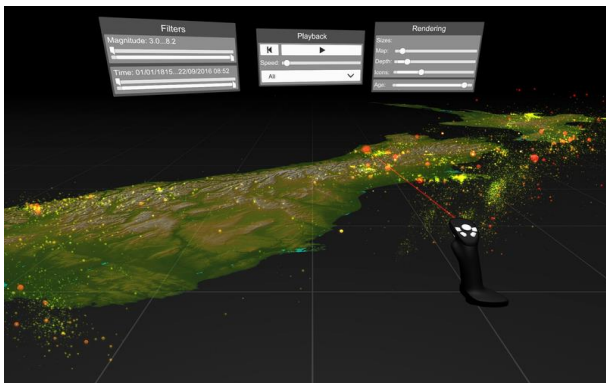
Ongoing Projects

Immersive VR Visualisation (2012-current)

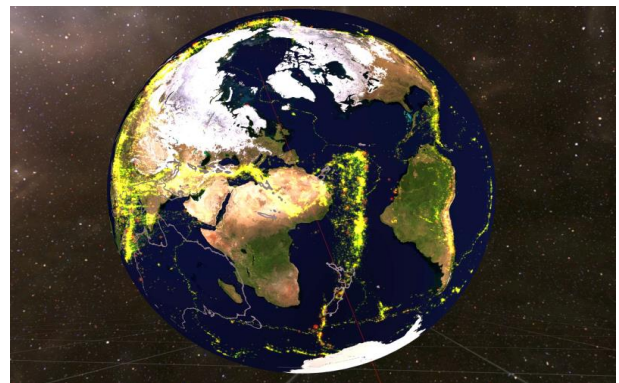
My main research focus is the fusion of 3D data visualisation and Virtual/Mixed/Augmented Reality technology (e.g., Vive, Oculus Rift, Hololens) into immersive, interactive multi-user and multi-device visualisations.

Over the last years, in cooperation with various schools and researchers within and outside of AUT, I have developed several visualisations for different expert domains, such as artificial neural networks, earthquake datasets, bioengineering datasets, and point-clouds. The applications have been used by experts as well as undergraduate and postgraduate students for data exploration, education, model parameterisation, and other purposes.

A specific focus of my work is to combine different visualisation technologies and end-user devices into a coherent solution, so that, e.g., an instructor with a tablet PC can assist and guide a student who is using a virtual or mixed reality headset, while the other students in the class can follow and navigate the 3D environment each with their own mobile devices.



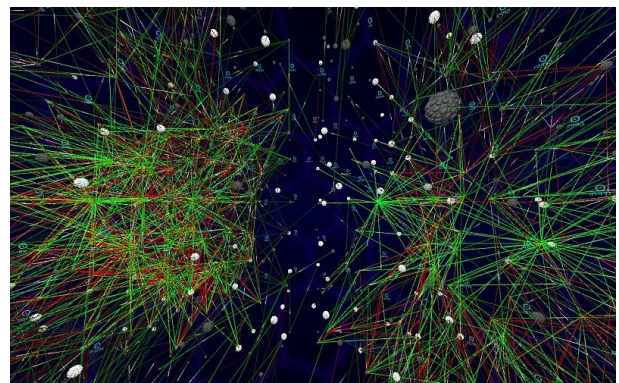
Realtime interactive 3D Visualisation of 400000 Earthquakes in New Zealand from 1900 until now



Realtime interactive 3D Visualisation of 400000 Earthquakes globally from 1900 until now



Navigating a Virtual Environment using the Oculus Rift and Motion Capture technology



Realtime 3D Visualisation of an artificial 3D neural network with 4000 neurons and 45000 connections

Past Projects

Haupapa: The Chilled Breath of Rakamaomao (2022-2023)

This multidisciplinary project joined a live weather data stream of stations around Haupapa/Tasman Glacier with video and audio footage of the glacier itself, raising awareness of the changing environmental conditions that slowly erode this ancient entity. I developed the website which uses a combination of PHP and P5.js to provide different levels of pseudo-live data streams for driving the animations and sounds in real-time. The PHP backend polls the weather stations in 10min intervals and interpolates the data for the P5.js frontend queries. The data can also be pulled from a one-year database of historical records, wrangled and analysed in R, in case the station link is interrupted. The frontend uses WebGL for warping and merging of images, and a custom sound engine for playing, queuing and merging audio recordings of the glacier with spoken words for the major wind names.

<https://haupapa.space>

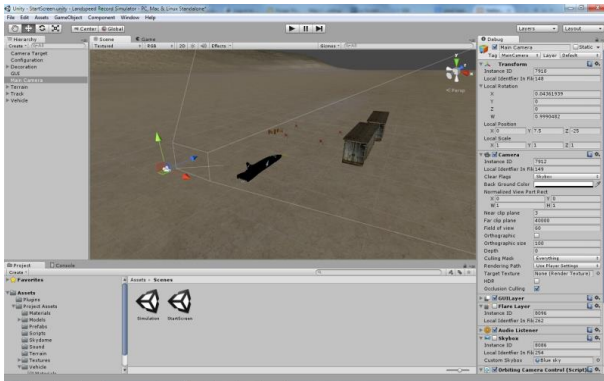


Sample screenshot of the site with data plots

Jetblack (2012-2013)

This project was an investigation into the design of a cockpit for a New Zealand landspeed record vehicle. What is the best design for controls and instruments and the flow of information in a vehicle that travels at supersonic speeds? How can we organise and present vital vehicle information to the pilot in a non-intrusive, but physiologically effective manner?

For the project, a life-sized cockpit was built, running a physical simulation of the vehicle that could be controlled with a yoke that provided force feedback. A control centre software allows the monitoring and manipulation of the simulated vehicle during each run, e.g., triggering fires or component failures to test the reaction time of the pilot given a specific layout of the warning signals and indicators.



The simulator in the Unity engine



Pilot's view of the Jetblack simulator

Virtual Medical Teamwork Training (2007-2011)

This is my PhD project, developed between 2007 and 2011 at The University of Auckland.

It is a Serious Game, using the Source Engine as a framework for training medical teams to cooperate during a surgical task. The specific focus was on incorporating nonverbal cues like head gestures into the simulation to investigate the effect on realism and efficiency. In a user study with 30 participants, we found that the gestures did not significantly influence the performance of the teamwork, but increased the perceived immersion and realism of the simulation.



Start screen of the training program



Screenshot of the simulation with three avatars

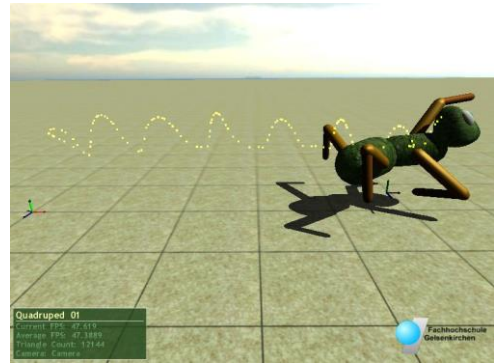
Learning to Walk (2004-2005)

This is my Master's Thesis project, developed between 2004 and 2005 at the University of Applied Sciences Gelsenkirchen (now the University of Applied Sciences Westphalia), Germany.

It uses a simulated virtual reality environment to evolve walking patterns of virtual 3D creatures using evolutionary strategies and neural networks. The original idea was to investigate whether or not the combination of the above technologies would result in a locomotion pattern that would be similar or superior to patterns created by animators. The results were unsatisfactory in that it proved hard to define a “good” locomotion in mathematical terms that the evolutionary algorithms needed for the selection process.



3D Head-Mounted-Display for immersive exploration of the Virtual Environment



A quadruped moving in a straight line

Publications

Books and Book Chapters

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- Marks, S. (2018). *Virtual Reality*. In B. Warf (Ed.), *The SAGE Encyclopedia of the Internet* (Vol. 3, pp. 906-911). Thousand Oaks: SAGE. doi:[10.4135/9781473960367.n264](https://doi.org/10.4135/9781473960367.n264)
- Sengupta, N., Ramos, J. I. E., Tu, E., Marks, S., Scott, N., Weclawski, J., ... Abbott, A. (2018). *From von Neumann architecture and Atanasoff's ABC to neuro-morphic computation and Kasabov's NeuCube: Principles and implementations*. In V. Sgurev, V. Piuri, & V. Jotsov (Eds.), *Studies in Computational Intelligence - Learning Systems: From Theory to Practice* (pp. 1-28). Springer, Cham. doi:[10.1007/978-3-319-75181-8_1](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-75181-8_1)
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- Connor, A. M., Marks, S., & Walker, C. (2015). *Creating Creative Technologists: Playing With(in) Education*. In N. Zagalo, & P. Branco (Eds.), *Creativity in the Digital Age*. Springer. doi:[10.1007/978-1-4471-6681-8_3](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-1-4471-6681-8_3)
- Connor, A. M., Berthelsen, C., Karmokar, S., Marks, S., Kenobi, B., & Walker, C. (2014). *An unexpected journey: Experiences of learning through exploration and experimentation*. In T. T. Jachna, E. McLafferty, & Y. S. Tzvetanova (Eds.), *Action!-Doing Design Education*. Hong Kong. doi:[10.13140/2.1.2688.0805](https://doi.org/10.13140/2.1.2688.0805)
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Journal Articles

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- Lee, Y., Connor, A. M., & Marks, S. (2024). *Mixed interaction: Evaluating user interactions for object manipulations in virtual space*. *Journal on Multimodal User Interfaces*. doi:[10.1007/s12193-024-00431-2](https://doi.org/10.1007/s12193-024-00431-2)

- Gil Parga, S., Singh, U., Gutierrez, J., & Marks, S. (2023). Pedagogical design in education using augmented reality: A systematic review. *Interactive Learning Environments*, 0(0), 1–18. doi:10.1080/10494820.2023.2195445
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- Ayache, J., Connor, A., Marks, S., Kuss, D. J., Rhodes, D., Sumich, A., & Heym, N. (2021). Exploring the “Dark Matter” of Social Interaction: Systematic Review of a Decade of Research in Spontaneous Interpersonal Coordination. *Frontiers in Psychology*, 12. <https://www.frontiersin.org/article/10.3389/fpsyg.2021.718237>
- Kruse, J., Connor, A.M. & Marks, S. (2021). An Interactive Multi-Agent System for Game Design. In *The Computer Games Journal*. doi:10.1007/s40869-020-00119-z
- Nikolai, J., Bennett, G., Marks, S., & Maynard, G. (2019). Active learning and teaching through digital technology and live performance; ‘choreographic thinking’ as art practice in the tertiary sector. In *International Journal of Art and Design Education*, 16 pages. doi:10.1111/jade.12181
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- Marks, K., Marks, S., & Brown, A. (2017). Step into my (virtual) world: An (auto)ethnographic exploration of virtual reality drawing applications for arts therapy. In *Australian and New Zealand Journal of Arts Therapy (ANZJAT)*.
- Marks, S. (2017). Immersive visualisation of 3-dimensional spiking neural networks. In *Evolving Systems*, 8(3), 193-201. doi:10.1007/s12530-016-9170-8
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- Phan, T., Ramhormozian, S., Clifton, C., MacRae, G., Dhakal, R., Jia, L. -J., & Marks, S. (2020). *Development of a virtual construction approach for steel structures considering structural and non- structural elements, and installation equipment*. In A. Ghaffarian Hoseini, A. Ghaffarianhoseini, & N. Naismith (Eds.), *The 54th International Conference of the Architectural Science Association* (pp. 405-414). Auckland. Retrieved from <https://anzasca.net>
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- Bennett, G., Denton, A., Marks, S., & Nikolai, J. (2017). **"Choreographic thinking" through collaboration, hope and curiosity: a methodology for opening up the potential for discovery**. In *NODE 2017*. Frankfurt. Retrieved from <https://17.nodeforum.org/events/choreographic-coding-reloaded/>
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Other

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- van Melle, Gerbrand., & Marks, S. (2014). **Background Visuals for the AUT Rookie 2014 Fashion Show** [Software]. Auckland, New Zealand. Retrieved from http://stefanmarks.info/creativetech-nology#projects_rookie2014
- van Melle, Gerbrand., & Marks, S. (2014). **Frozen Waves: Exploring the transformation between sound and object**. In Smitheram, M., Smith, A., Joseph, F., & Hamon, J. (Eds.), *Shapeshifting – A Conference on the Transformative Paradigms in Fashion and Textile Design* (pp. 42-43). Auckland, New Zealand. Retrieved from <http://hdl.handle.net/10292/8570>
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Presentations

- 12/06/2025: Invited Lecture for AUT Business School, Master of Business Administration, *MGMT838 Co-ignition: Intelligence, Ideas, Innovation*, Topic: **Extended Reality Technology**
- 22/01/2025: Presentation at the Westfälische Hochschule, Germany. Topic: **VR Research at AUT and Sentience Lab**
- 09/05/2024: Invited Lecture for AUT Business School, Master of Business Administration, *MGMT838 Co-ignition: Intelligence, Ideas, Innovation*, Topic: **Extended Reality Technology**
- 21/09/2023: Workshop for the Henderson Photographic Society, Topic: **The Future of Photography**
- 22/08/2023: Invited Guest Lecture for the *Designing with Data DESIGN240* course at The University of Auckland, Topic: **Designing with Data – Case Studies**
- 13/01/2023: Workshop for the Rotary National Science and Technology Forum. Topic: **Game Development**
- 10/02/2021: Invited Talk at the XR Workshop 2021. Topic: **The Story in the Data – Immersive 3D Visualisations**
- 15/01/2021: Workshop for the Rotary National Science and Technology Forum. Topic: **Game Development**
- 29/07/2020: Expert Panel at Techweek 2020. Topic: **Virtual Reality in a Covid and Post-Covid World**
- 17/01/2020: Workshop for the Rotary National Science and Technology Forum. Topic: **Game Development**
- 18/01/2019: Workshop for the Rotary National Science and Technology Forum. Topic: **Game Development**

- 19/09/2018: Invited Lecture for AUT Business School. Topic: **The Internet of Things – Promises and Realities**
- 12/01/2018: Workshop for the Rotary National Science and Technology Forum. Topic: **Game Development**
- 12/07/2017: Presentation at the Hochschule Bonn-Rhein-Sieg, Institute of Visual Computing, Germany. Topic: **VR Research at AUT and Sentience Lab**
- 04/07/2017: Presentation at the Westfälische Hochschule, Germany. Topic: **VR Research at AUT and Sentience Lab**
- 10/05/2017: Invited Lecture for AUT Business School. Topic: **The Internet of Things – Promises and Realities**
- 28/03/2017: AUT Postgraduate workshop on Research Methods: **Provocation Two**
- 31/03/2017: Keynote at the AUT Venture Series, Auckland. Topic: **VR Research at AUT and Sentience Lab**
- 24/03/2017: Workshop at Kauri Flats School, Takanini, Auckland. Topic: **Creating 3D Models for VR**
- 18/03/2017: Workshop at the Te Papa Talks: Virtual Realities event, Te Papa, Wellington. Topic: **VR Research at AUT and in Sentience Lab**
- 28/02/2017: Invited Lecture for AUT Business School. Topic: **The Internet of Things – Promises and Realities**
- 30/09/2016: Presentation to the AR/VR Association at the AR/VR Garage, Eden Terrace, Auckland. Topic: **VR Research at AUT and in Sentience Lab**
- 20/08/2016: Keynote about 3D technology and workshop about Sound and 3D Shapes at the New Horizons STEM workshop on 3D Technologies for South Auckland Youth.
- 24/06/2016: Speaker at the ICT Digital Day 2016, AUT. Topic: **Sentience Lab and VR Research at AUT**
- 14/06/2016: Speaker at the Digital Spatial Operations Symposium 2016, The University of Auckland. Topic: **Sentience Lab – MoCap and VR Research at AUT**
- 17/05/2016: Speaker at the Tripartite Summit 2016, Auckland. Topic: **Motion Capture and Virtual Reality at AUT**
- 23/11/2015: Speaker at the AUT Motion Capture Symposium 2015
- 05/09/2015: Workshop about Sound and 3D Shapes at the New Horizons STEM workshop on 3D Technologies for South Auckland Youth.
- 26/06/2015: Invited speaker at the Innovation Showcase, organised by Jade Software Corporation, Christchurch, New Zealand. Topic: **Virtual Reality**
- 25/06 + 03/07/2015: Workshop about Sound and 3D Shapes at Liston College, Year 11, 12, and 13 Music classes.
- 20/11/2014: Presentation of a paper at the IVCNZ 2014 in Hamilton, New Zealand
- 26/02/2014: Marks, S; Estevez, J.E. **Interactive Practitioners Meetup – MoCap Special**. Auckland, New Zealand. Retrieved 26.2.2014 from <http://colab.aut.ac.nz/events/interactive-practitioners-february-meetup-motion-capture-special>

- 28/09/2013: Marks, S.; van Melle, G., **Digital Nationz 2013 – New Tech Horizons**. Auckland. Retrieved from <http://colab.aut.ac.nz/events/digital-nationz/>
- 29/01/2013: Presentation of two posters at the 14th Australasian User Interface Conference (AUIIC) 2013 in Adelaide, Australia
- 11/02/2012: Presentation of my PhD research at the MMVR 19 in Newport Beach, California
- 18/04/2011: **Emerging Technologies – Virtual Environments**, Invited lecture at Auckland University of Technology
- 23/11/2009: Presentation of a poster at the IVCNZ 2009 in Wellington, New Zealand
- 07/09/2009: Presentation of a paper at the SimTect Health Simulation Conference 2009 in Melbourne, Australia
- 06/07/2009: Presenter of Computer Science Unplugged at the “Incredible Science” Day
- 06/04/2009: Presentation of a paper at the NZCSRSC 2009 in Auckland, New Zealand
- 25/11/2008: Presenter of Computer Science Unplugged at the “Girls Into Science” Day
- 31/10/2008: Presentation of a paper at the Computer Science Graduate Workshop 2008 at The University of Auckland, New Zealand
- 26/08/2008: Presentation of a paper at the IVCNZ 2008 in Lincoln, New Zealand
- 07/07/2008: Presenter of Computer Science Unplugged at the “Incredible Science” Day
- 14/04/2008: Presentation of a paper at the NZCSRSC 2008 in Christchurch, New Zealand
- 07/12/2007: Presentation of a poster at the IVCNZ 2007 in Hamilton, New Zealand
- 04/12/2007: Presentation of a paper at the GRAPHITE 2007 in Perth, Australia
- 26/10/2007: Presentation of a paper at the Computer Science Graduate Workshop 2007 at The University of Auckland, New Zealand
- 23/05/2006: Presentation of a paper at the 3iA 2006 in Limoges, France

Awards

- 18/10/2018: Finalist for the Vice-Chancellor's Award for Teaching Excellence 2018, Auckland University of Technology, Auckland, New Zealand
- 07/12/2017: DCT Faculty Award for Research 2017, Auckland University of Technology, Auckland, New Zealand
- 09/12/2014: DCT Faculty Award for Excellence in Learning and Teaching 2014, Auckland University of Technology, Auckland, New Zealand
- 10/12/2013: Dean's Research Award for Early-Career Researchers, Auckland University of Technology, Auckland, New Zealand
- 31/10/2008: 1st prize for best presentation and best paper at the Computer Science Graduate Workshop 2008 at The University of Auckland, New Zealand
- 06/12/2007: 2nd prize at the Computer Science Poster Competition 2007 at The University of Auckland, New Zealand
- 26/10/2007: 1st prize for best presentation at the Computer Science Graduate Workshop 2007 at The University of Auckland, New Zealand
- 10/10/2007: 1st prize for best poster at the Exposure 2007
- 06/09/2007: High Distinction award at the Faculty of Science Postgraduate Poster Competition 2007 at The University of Auckland, New Zealand

Research Grants

- 2025: DCT Faculty Virtual Production Research Fund – NZD 18,000 for three research projects around the new Virtual Production precinct
- 2023: The University of Auckland – NZD 20,000 for Virtual Reality Treatment for Complex Regional Pain Syndrome
- 2021: DCT Faculty Contestable Research Fund 2021 – NZD 15,000 for the BioDesign Lab VR Visualisation Project
- 2018: DCT Faculty SRIF Contestable Research Fund 2018 – NZD 25,000 for the NeuCube Visualisation Project
- 2017: DCT Faculty SRIF Contestable Research Fund 2017 – NZD 25,000 for the NeuCube Visualisation Project
- 2016: DCT Faculty PBRF Contestable Research Fund 2016 – NZD 7,000 for a Master Student Scholarship
- 2015: Associate Investigator and Project Team Leader in the INTELLECTE 2 Project, funded with NZD 100,000 by the Auckland University of Technology Strategic Research Investment Fund (SRIF)
- 2014: Associate Investigator and Project Team Leader in the INTELLECTE Project, funded with NZD 260,000 by the Auckland University of Technology Strategic Research Investment Fund (SRIF)
- 2007: Computer Science Doctoral Scholarship (NZD 23,000 per annum for 3 years)

Supervision

PhD

- *Since 03/2024*: PhD Supervision, Lawrence Joseph Paculan, **VR Time Travel and Speculative History**
- *Since 02/2023*: PhD Co-Supervision, Katarina Markovic, **Historic Artefacts in VR**
- *Since 02/2021*: PhD Supervision, Sebastián Gil Parga, **AR in Education**
- *Since 02/2021*: PhD Supervision, Masaya Todoroki, **VR Storytelling and Attention**
- *Since 02/2021*: PhD Co-Supervision, Mohamed Atia Abozed Abelrazak, **XR in GIS**
- *Since 11/2019*: PhD Co-Supervision, Elena Panaita, **VR Expression of a Near-Death Experience**
- *01/2020 – 04/2025*: PhD Co-Supervision, Yemon Lee, **VR Usability**
- *04/2020 – 01/2024*: PhD Advisor, Julia Ayache (Nottingham Trent University), **Exploring the Feeling of Togetherness in Virtual Spaces**
- *03/2020 – 09/2022*: PhD Advisor, Hardika Shah, **VR Mindfulness**
- *07/2015 – 11/2020*: PhD Supervision, Jason Kennedy, **Acting and its Double**, <http://hdl.handle.net/10292/13943>
- *11/2018 – 03/2020*: PhD Advisor, David E. Bailey, **Synchronous Reality: Place and Memory in Virtual Installation**, <http://hdl.handle.net/10292/13185>
- *05/2016 – 10/2019*: PhD Co-Supervision, Jan Kruse, **Computational Generators and Evaluators for Video Game Level Design using Cognitive Player Models**, <http://hdl.handle.net/10292/12944>
- *04/2014 – 08/2016*: PhD Co-Supervision, Metuanooroa Tapuni, **Ata: a practice-led inquiry into the intersection of virtual and physical environments**, <http://hdl.handle.net/10292/10096>
- *11/2013 – 12/2016*: PhD Co-Supervision, Amit Gupta, **Emotionally Intelligent Knitted Textiles: Emotional sensing and responsive action**

Master

- *06/2024 – 09/2025*: MCT, Shreya Pradeep, **Towards a Safer and Healthier Work Environment: Investigating Interface Design Principles for Cognitive Offloading in Emergency Medical Services**
- *09/2023 – 06/2025*: MArch (Prof), Devarsh Patel, **Cultural Heritage Scanning**, <http://hdl.handle.net/10292/19429>
- *02/2023 – 02/2024*: March (Prof), Shehryar Memon, **Investigating future spaces for hauora (health) in Tāmaki Makaurau**
- *07/2019 – 10/2023*: MCT, Li Goan Ko, **The Virtual Choga: Hybrid 3D Acquisition of Large-Scale Cultural Heritage Objects Using Mobile Phone Scanning and PC-Based Photogrammetry**, <http://hdl.handle.net/10292/16862>
- *07/2022 – 07/2023*: MCT, Haowei Wang, **Some Key Aspects Do Make VR Games More Immersive than Traditional Video Games**, <http://hdl.handle.net/10292/16845>

- 07/2021 – 03/2023: MCT, Lee Jackson, **Hyperrealism – The Influence of Changing Technologies on Architectural Rendering**, <http://hdl.handle.net/10292/16867>
- 07/2021 – 03/2023: MCT, Prapul Rajamahendrarapu, **Immersive Application to Promote Physical Fitness**
- 06/2020 – 03/2022: MCT, Hooryah Asif, **Virtual Dreams: A Study of Atmospheres for Long Term Healthcare Spaces Future Design**, <https://hdl.handle.net/10292/14991>
- 06/2020 – 07/2021: MCT, Ranju Raveendran, **Personal Augmented Reality Interior Design Assistant (PARIDA)**, <https://hdl.handle.net/10292/14701>
- 06/2017 – 10/2019: MCT, Raj Thandu, **An Exploration of Virtual Reality Technologies for Museums**, <http://handle.net/10292/12937>
- 07/2016 – 12/2017: MCT, Marco Mueller, **Sweetening Awareness: A Playful Interaction with Sugars in Food for Children**, <http://hdl.handle.net/10292/11569>
- 12/2016 – 11/2017: MCT, Yemon Lee, **Evaluation of Data Visualisation Technologies for Air Traffic Control**, <http://hdl.handle.net/10292/11477>
- 01/2016 – 06/2017: MCT, Alejandro Davila, **Virtual Reality Storytelling**, <http://hdl.handle.net/10292/10984>
- 04/2014 – 06/2017: MPhil, Steffan Hooper, **Automated testing and validation of computer graphics implementations for cross-platform game development**, <http://hdl.handle.net/10292/11017>
- 06/2015 – 06/2016: MCT, Jacques Foottit, **Touchable: Adapting a Haptic Feedback Glove for Use in Rehabilitation Contexts**, <http://hdl.handle.net/10292/10057>
- 07/2014 – 07/2015: MCT (co-supervisor), Hengbo Edison Wang, **Creating Emotionally Engaging Non-Linear Narrative Experiences in Videogames**, <http://hdl.handle.net/10292/9137>
- 06/2014 – 06/2015: MCT (co-supervisor), Donald Smith, **Avatar Mirrors**, <http://hdl.handle.net/10292/9047>
- 05/2013 – 04/2014: MCT (co-supervisor), Rudy Ceccato, **The Spaces In Between**, <http://hdl.handle.net/10292/7794>
- 03/2013 – 11/2013: MA&D (co-supervisor), Jian Chen, **CrazyCatch**, <http://hdl.handle.net/10292/7179>

Honours

- 06/2019 – 12/2019: BCT (Honours) Supervision, **Support for dyslexic students at AUT**
- 02/2014 – 06/2014: External Honours Co-Supervision for a student at The University of Auckland, **Development and Evaluation of an Exercycle Game Using Immersive Technologies**

Examinations

- 07/2025: MDes, Q. Zhuang, **Designing Virtual Environment Scenes: Does Polygon Count Affect Virtual Reality Immersion Level?**, The University of Auckland
- 03/2025: MHIT, V. Rajan, **Developing Interactive Media Through Co-Design: Culturally Appropriate Interactive Māori Tīpuna in Virtual Reality**, HITLab NZ, University of Canterbury

- 08/2024: MSc, D.J. He, **Exercising Choice: Investigating the Impact of a Branching Narrative on Player Behaviour and Performance in Virtual Reality Exergames**, The University of Auckland
- 07/2024: MHIT, Y. Feng, **Stress reduction therapy in immersive Environments: Does rotation mode have an effect on mental stress**, HITLab NZ, University of Canterbury
- 03/2024: MHIT, Y. Zhao, **Daddy Long Legs: A Scale and Speed Up Virtual Reality Locomotion Technique for Medium-Scale Scenarios**, HITLab NZ, University of Canterbury
- 10/2023: MArt, P. Divers, **Animation Production Pipelines: Exploring Alchemy's Development Through Case Study Analysis**, Deakin University
- 03/2023: MEng, H. Stefan, **Evaluating the Effectiveness of Immersive Virtual Reality for Industrial Health and Safety Training**, Deakin University
- 08/2022: MDes, B. Walker, **An Exploration Into Systemic Design Within a Virtual Game Ecosystem to Elicit Ecological Consciousness**, Auckland University of Technology
- 06/2022: Master, G. Ross, **Extended Reality (XR) Flight Simulators as an Adjunct to Traditional Flight Training Methods**, Massey University
- 04/2022: Master, D. Page, **Identifying Strategies to Mitigate Cybersickness in Virtual Reality Induced by Flying With an Interactive Travel Interface**, University of Canterbury
- 11/2020: Master, J. Stanton, **Ambedic Actions: Definition and Taxonomy of a New Game Mechanics Category**, Auckland University of Technology
- 06/2020: PhD, Z. Feng, **Towards a Customizable Immersive Virtual Reality Serious Game for Indoor Earthquake Emergency Training**, The University of Auckland
- 04/2020: Master, A. Gopalakrishnan, **Assessing the use of Immersive Environments for Preparing Teachers to Address Challenging Student Behaviors**, University of Canterbury
- 01/2020: Master, C. Smith, **Accelerating Infrastructure Development by Automating Aspects of the BIM Visualisation Stages & Improving Stakeholder Engagement During Engineering Design**, Auckland University of Technology
- 11/2019: Master, E. Collis, **The Narrative Potential of Videogames: How Designing Mechanics Impacts Storytelling**, Auckland University of Technology
- 09/2019: Master, N. McHugh, **Measuring and Minimizing Cybersickness in Virtual Reality**, University of Canterbury
- 03/2018: Master, P. Sasikumar, **Haptic Contact in Immersive 360° Cinematic Environment**, University of Canterbury
- 11/2017: 4x Bachelor of Art and Design (Honours), Auckland University of Technology
- 02/2017: Bachelor of Science (Honours), S. Martino, **Visualising dark matter density in virtual reality with the Oculus Rift DK2**, The University of Auckland
- 11/2016: Master, N. Wellwood, **Groove Studio: Exploring Action Observation Therapy in Virtual Worlds**, Victoria University
- 08/2016: Master, T.J. Greig, **Evaluating the perceived immersion of procedurally generated game levels**, Auckland University of Technology
- 11/2015: Master, S. Dusterwald, **Procedural Generation of Voxel Worlds with Castles**, University of Waikato

- 10/2015: PhD, D. Altimira, **Designing engaging non-parallel exertion games through game balancing**, University of Canterbury
- 02/2015: Master, J. Kruse, **Interactive Evolutionary Computation in design applications**, Auckland University of Technology
- 09/2014: Master, J. Butterworth, **Aural Disjunction**, Auckland University of Technology
- 06/2014: Honours Dissertation, J. White, **Physically based real-time water simulation on mobile devices**, Auckland University of Technology
- 07/2013: Honours Dissertation, W. Cen, **MMO Game Server and Technologies**, Auckland University of Technology
- 12/2012: Honours Dissertation, H. Black, **GPU based facial feature detection on a mobile device**, Auckland University of Technology
- 11/2011: Honours Dissertation, H.Y. Chin, **Performance Bottlenecks of Using Game Engines on Mobile Phones**, Auckland University of Technology
- 04/2011: Honours Dissertation, R. Vallabh, **Real-Time Computer Vision on a Mobile Device using Programmable Shaders**, Auckland University of Technology

Reviews

- International Conference on Neural Information Processing (ICONIP) (2024:3)
- Intelligent Buildings International (2024:1)
- Frontiers in Virtual Reality (2024: 2, 2023: 6, 2022: 1, 2021:1)
- Journal of Virtual Reality, Springer (2023: 3, 2022: 2, 2021: 2, 2020: 1, 2019: 3)
- Journal of Concurrency and Computation: Practice and Experience (2020: 1)
- Journal of Virtual Reality and Broadcasting (JVRB), Germany (2016: 1, 2012: 1, 2025: 1)
- Journal of Smart Cities, MDPI (2023: 1)
- Journal of Multimodal Technologies and Interaction, MDPI (2023: 2, 2021: 1)
- Smart and Sustainable Built Environments, Emerald Publishing (2022: 3, 2021: 1)
- SIGGRAPH Asia (2024: 5, 2023: 5, 2018: 1)
- Australasian Computer Science Week (ACSW) (2016: 3)
- Australasian User Interface Conference (AUIC) (2015: 2, 2014: 8, 2013: 6)
- International Conference on Remote Engineering and Virtual Instrumentation (2018: 1)
- Interactive Entertainment (IE) (2014: 2)
- Diagrams (2012: 1)
- Image Vision and Computing Conference New Zealand (IVCNZ) (2011: 2)
- New Zealand Computer Science Research Student Conference (NZCSRSC) 2008 to 2010 (2010: 3, 2009: 3, 2008: 3)

Professional Activities

- Since 2021: External Reviewer for Callaghan Innovation, Area of expertise: XR
- Since 2020: Academic Integrity Officer (Architecture/Creative Technologies)
- 2015: PC Member for the Australasian Computer Science Week (ACSW) 2016
- 2015: PC Member for the 13th International Conference on Neuro-Computing and Evolving Intelligence (NCEI) 2015
- 27/11/2014: Panellist at the AUT Motion Capture Symposium 2014
- 07/10/2014: Panellist at the CITRENTZ Doctoral and Postgraduate Symposium 2014
- 2014: PC Member for Interactive Entertainment (IE) 2014
- 2014: Chair of the Australasian User Interface Conference (AUIC) 2015
- Since 2013: Leader of the Data Visualisation and Exploration research team within the Motion Capture Laboratory at AUT University.
- 2013: Co-Chair and Webmaster of the Australasian User Interface Conference (AUIC) 2014
- 2011 – 2014: Member of the Auckland University of Technology HCI Research group and the *JetBlack* landspeed record vehicle project research team.
- 2007 – 2011: Member of the Graphics Group of The University of Auckland
- 2012: Member of the program committee and webmaster for the Australasian User Interface Conference (AUIC) 2013

Professional Memberships

- 2016: Member of the ACM

Personal Development

- 2018-2019: Mentor for applying Fellows and Associate Fellows of the Higher Education Academy (HEA)
- 2017: Fellow of the Higher Education Academy (HEA)
- 2014: Certificate of Tertiary Teaching, Auckland University of Technology, Auckland, New Zealand
- 2014: Participation in the AUT pilot for the Peer-Assisted Tutoring Scheme (PATs)
- Since 2013: Auckland University of Technology Postgraduate Centre Supervision Seminars:
 - 14/11/2019: Focus on Writing: Using concept maps to organise ideas and structure research writing
 - 13/11/2019: Financially Supporting Postgraduate Research via Scholarships
 - 09/05/2019: Supervision Forum - Enrich Your Supervision Strategies
 - 31/10/2017: Practice Led Research
 - 24/08/2017: Maximising the Impact of Postgrad Research
 - 23/02/2016: Developing Research proposals for Masters & Doctoral Students
 - 15/10/2015: Examining a Doctoral Thesis
 - 11/09/2014: Supervising ESL Students
 - 07/11/2013: Developing Research Proposals
 - 26/09/2013: Providing Feedback on Student Drafts
 - 25/09/2013: Introduction to Ethics
 - 15/08/2013: Quality Supervision & The Supervision Agreement
 - 08/08/2013: Examining a Thesis
 - 27/07/2013: Postgraduate Supervision at AUT: Policies and Procedures
 - 13/06/2013: Solving Supervision Challenges

Personal Information

- Since 12/2015: NZ Citizen
- Since 02/2010: NZ Resident
- Interests: Photography, Ornithology, Tramping