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# **Areas of Interests**

- *Interactive experiences*: Using technology such as game engines, software instruments, VR, AR, sensors and web in novel ways to create unique interactive experiences.
- *Video game design and development*: Game based art installations, sound/music games, interaction, art games and virtual spaces.
- *Sound art and music*: Game sound, sound and music based installations, interactive sound objects and mobile sound/music applications.
- Technology and arts: Interactive art and media, physical computing and creative coding.

## **Education**

Fall 2010 – Summer 2013	Purdue University, West Lafayette, USA MFA in Electronic and Time-Based Art
Fall 2008 – Spring 2010	Chalmers University of Technology, Gothenburg, SWEDEN Integrated Electronic System Design Master Programme MSc in Computer Engineering
Fall 2004 – Spring 2008	Sabanci University, Istanbul, TURKEY Faculty of Engineering and Natural Sciences, BSc in Electronics Engineering with Minor Degree in Physics

### **Research and Work Experience**

Fall 2013 – Present	Float Hybrid Entertainment: Front-End UX Developer
Summer 2012 – Spring 2013	<b>Purdue Libraries Digital Initiatives:</b> Graduate assistant responsible for metadata entry and quality control.
Fall 2011 – Spring 2013	<b>Purdue Life Sciences Library:</b> Graduate assistant responsible web design and development.
Fall 2010 – Fall 2011	<b>Purdue Serious Games Center:</b> Research Assistant responsible for developing a multiplayer Flash-based educational simulation.
Summer 2007	<b>German Aerospace Center (DLR) – Cologne:</b> Summer intern responsible for measuring lab automation via LabView.
Summer 2006	<b>Sabanci University Optoelectronics Lab:</b> Undergraduate research assistant during the Summer Semester.

# **Exhibitions and Performances**

Summer 2014	Soundtrack for <i>MineOpticon II</i> a virtual performance in Minecraft, performed in
	DogPatch Gallery, SF, Canada and AvaCon Metaverse Culture Series 2014, June 21, 2014.
Fall 2013	Soundtrack for <i>MineOpticon</i> a virtual performance in Minecraft, performed in AvaCon Metaverse Culture Series 2013, October 19, 2013.
Summer 2013	Soundtrack for <i>MineOpticon</i> a virtual performance in Minecraft, YouIn3D, Berlin, Germany on July 3.
	Residency in Ars Virtua Artist-in-Residency's Minecraft server, Orwell.
Spring 2013	<i>Causality</i> , a solo exhibition of a game-based installation, Patti and Rusty Rueff Galleries, Purdue University, March $4-8$ .
	Gnossienne a la Quiaca: E3 Mix at E3 Series of Improvisation Performance, Foam City, Lafayette, IN, March 2.
Fall 2012	Music for dance piece <i>Coronal Ring</i> at Purdue Contemporary Dance Company Winter Works 2012, December $7-8$ .
	I Remember Coconut Skins: AUDO 2013 Mix performed at AUDO 2012, Purdue University, August 24.
Spring 2012	In Ink, radio drama aired on WBAA, May 3.
	Sound design for <i>The Thought</i> in Nexus Dance Concert 2012, University of Colorado at Boulder, February 15 – 17.
Fall 2011	<i>Buried Beneath</i> in soundtrack of Purdue 2011 Cancer Culture Community Colloquium, Purdue University, October 24 – November 3.
Summer 2011	<i>Ad Infinitum</i> <sup>3</sup> in Disk Stories at Prague Quadrennial of Performance Design and Space 2011, Prague, Czech Republic, June 16.
	Ad Infinitum <sup>3</sup> Redux at Sound Kitchen in Prague Quadrennial of Performance Design and Space, Prague, Czech Republic, June 21.
Spring 2011	<i>Im-mir-sion</i> in Images of Nature, Frontier Building, Lafayette, IN, April 15 – 29.
	<i>Instrument</i> live performance at E3 Series of Improvisation Performance, Lala Galleries, Lafayette, IN, April 8.
	Ad Infinitum <sup>3</sup> Test in DancLab, Yue-Kung Pao Hall Dance Studio, Purdue University, February 25.
	<i>The Castle of Asterion</i> in 14°, Patti and Rusty Rueff Galleries, Purdue University, January 24 – February 4.
Fall 2010	Algorithmic Composition in MATLAB in AUDO: Alternative Practices in Sound 2010, Patti and Rusty Rueff Galleries, Purdue University, September 10 – 12.
Fall 2008	VA329 Exhibition, FASS Galleries, Sabanci University, October 6.

## Selected Projects<sup>1</sup>

Causality Causality is a game-based installation that presents a unique world,

where everything is based on sound. As the audience you must explore the virtual environment by making choices through listening to the

sound.

10 Seconds of Relativity A short FPS game about relativity of time created for the Ludum Dare

27 Jam session with Unity.

TreeScape A short FPS game about acoustic ecology created for 7dFPS challenge

with Unity.

Particle Pad Particle emitter and MIDI-based audiovisual musical instrument

application for BlackBerry 10 and BlackBerry PlayBook.

Chaos Matrix Tone matrix and chaos-based algorithmic composition application for

BlackBerry 10.

12 Months Sonification and visualization of climate data. Hourly climate data of a

month belonging to a city is used to compose music with a visual legend. The city's musical culture defines the algorithm and the instrumentation for the music. Accepted for an artist's residency at Jack

mistrumentation for the music. Accepted for an artist's residency

Straw New Media Gallery in Seattle.

Alternative Mixes Alternative Mixes is an ongoing set of mixing performances that uses

music that is not created for DJing in order to experiment with the sonic

aesthetics.

Breezes Of... Breezes Of... is a prototype game-based mixed-reality installation that

discusses escapism within the context of video games by presenting a unique interaction. The presented virtual environment is a tropical island in which the virtual breeze is transferred to the real world with a

motor-controlled pinwheel.

The Thought The Thought is an improvisational dance piece that also incorporates

improvised sound which is created in conjunction with the dancer's

breath as well as the live sound design concept.

Ear Trainer Pitch, interval and chord recognition application for BlackBerry

PlayBook and BlackBerry 10.

Additive Synthesizer Additive synthesizer application for BlackBerry PlayBook and

BlackBerry 10.

StarCraft II: Form, Space and Order The project is a set of maps created in StarCraft II Map Editor

according to Francis D.K. Chings' categorization of 'spatial organizations'. The project takes the architectural concepts and superposes them onto the dynamics of real-time strategy game.

Individual project.

Ad Infinitum<sup>3</sup> Interactive theatre piece created via online videogaming through smart

phones. The collaborative piece was performed in Prague Quadrennial

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> More information available on my personal webpage

of Performance and Space 2011. Main responsibilities: Game design, scene/level design, avatars, visuals and parts of game engine.

Experience Accelerator Flash-based, multiplayer educational game aimed for training

professional systems engineers. Main responsibilities: Development.

The Castle of Asterion Videogame-based sound installation. Virtual sonic-maze created in

Unity. Individual project.

VEAE Virtual Experimental Audio Environment: Virtual environment that

investigates between buildings and their sounds. Created in Unity.

Individual project.

Instrument Audio-visual musical instrument for enhanced expression and

performance. Created in Unity and Max/MSP/Jitter. Individual project.

Videogame as Medium and Art Videogame that discusses the relation between videogame and art in a

videogame medium. Created in Unity. Individual project.

Im-mir-sion Mixed-reality installation about nature. Created in Unity,

Max/MSP/Jitter, mirrors and camera. Responsibilities: Concept and

development.

Algorithmic Composition A musical-composition algorithm based on genetic programming is

developed and implemented in Matlab (using VHDL) and on FPGA with virtual instruments. Master's thesis project. Individual project.

Hearing Aid Design Analog front-end circuitry for hearing aid application. Done in STM

90nm technology using Cadence via EKV model for sub-threshold

operation. Individual project.

Third Triad Music project, where the aim is experimenting with the vast variety of

sounds of virtual instruments and composing music for them.

Individual project.

Image Analysis Classification of Western Paintings via Haralick Features in Matlab.

Individual project.

**Real-Time Decoder** Implementation of a BPSK and QPSK real-time decoder in Matlab.

Team leader of four, chosen to be presented in Ericsson.

ADC for Laser Distance Measurement Analog-to-digital converter designed in AMS 0.35µ technology using

Cadence. Team leader of five for half of the duration.

Second Order Sigma/Delta ADC

System design of 2<sup>nd</sup> order sigma/delta analog-to-digital converter with

interleaving scheme in Matlab and Simulink.

Multirate Down-Sampler Implementation of multirate down-sampler (from 40 KHz to 30 KHz)

for audio in FPGA using VHDL. Individual project.

Multiband Power Amplifier Design of multiband operating - WLAN (2.4GHz – 5.4GHz) and

WiMAX (3.6GHz) RFIC power amplifier in AMS 0.35  $\mu$  technology using Cadence. Undergraduate graduation project. Individual project.

Neuron Cell Simulation Simulation of Hodgkin-Huxley Equations for cell action potentials and

propagation in Matlab.

ECG Design Design and implementation of electrocardiogram using discrete

components. Individual project.

Microwave Receiver Design and implementation of 1-3 GHz front-end receiver using ADS

and discrete components.

Automation of Measuring Lab Automation of Sensor and Catalyst Measuring Station and sensor

signal improvement in German Aerospace Center via LabView.

Undergraduate internship.

Chat program between two computers over RS-232 in assembly

language.

Edge Detection Implementation of Sobel edge detection algorithm on FPGA using

Verilog HDL.

#### **Achievements and Awards**

• Ars Virtua Artist-in-Residence (Summer 2013)

Various BlackBerry developer awards in the form of money, tablets and a prototype phone.

• Recipient of Adlerbertska Hospitiefonden Scholarship (Spring 2009)

• Recipient of Erasmus Internship Grant (Summer 2007)

• Recipient of the Certificates of Honour for 4 terms and Certificate of High Honour for 3 term

• Recipient of Sabanci University Merit Scholarship (Fall 2004 – Spring 2008)

### **Teaching Experience**

Fall 2013 Merging Physical and Virtual: A Workshop on Connecting Arduino and Unity:

This will be a workshop given to an interdisciplinary group of students about connecting Unity with physical computing as a part of a 400-level game

design/development class at Purdue University.

Summer 2013 Physical Computing: This is a series of nine workshops in physical computing

using Processing and Arduino. The workshops begin from the fundamentals of programming and electrics and include sensors, LEGO machines, email control

and seven-segment displays among others.

Spring 2013 Vision to Sound using Max/MSP/Jitter: This is a Max/MSP/Jitter workshop

primarily aimed for first-time users (a mixture of undergraduates and graduates from ETB and Engineering) within the context of the ETB graduate seminar that

focuses on creating sonic artifacts that are triggered through camera.

Summer 2012 Introduction to Algorithmic Composition and Pure Data workshop in SPIRIT

2012: A workshop with four sessions given within the context of the outreach event SPIRIT to high school students. The workshop investigated basics of music theory, generative art, algorithmic composition and Pure Data.

Fall 2011 *Unity3D – Max/MSP/Jitter Workshop* in AD 417 Computer Games, Purdue

University, October 26: Guest lecture within the context of AD 417 Computer Games. The workshop investigated using Max to expand Unity. The examples were using sound as a input to Unity, using video and motion as a input to

Unity and using websites as an output from Unity.

*Serious Games*: Short seminar given within the context of ENG 620 Classroom Communication for International Graduate Students to undergraduate students. This was an introductory class about serious games with the aim of showing the different types of educational games as well as encouraging the students to find educational sides from the games that they already know and play.

Finite State Machine: Short seminar given within the context of ENG 620 Classroom Communication for International Graduate Students to undergraduate students. The concept of finite state machine was introduced and simple finite state machines were designed.

Fall 2004 - Spring 2005

*Civic Involvement Project*: Teaching various topics including mathematics and English to elementary school students with insufficient funds.

### **Publications and Theses**

Fall 2014 Fine Arts, Culture and Creativity in Minecraft: A co-authored essay in

Understanding Minecraft an essay collection, published by McFarland &

Company Press.

Summer 2013 Performing Video Games: Approaching Games as Musical Instruments: MFA

thesis investigates usage of game ideas and technologies for musical expression.

Spring 2010 Algorithmic Composition with Virtual Instrument in MATLAB and on FPGA:

MSc thesis that investigates algorithmic musical composition as hardware and

software implementations.

Skills

Languages: Turkish (native), English (fluent), German (basic) and Swedish (basic)

Coding Skills: ActionScript 3, Android SDK, Arduino, Assembly Language, C++, C#,

CSS3, HTML, HTML5, Java, JavaScript (including Adobe Edge, D3.js,

jQuery, mustache, Node.js, three.js) LabView, MATLAB, Max/MSP/Jitter, PHP, Processing, Pure Data, SimuLink

Video Game: Unity, Adobe Flash/AIR, UDK, Construct 2, StarCraft II Map Editor,

3ds Max, Google SketchUp, Bethesda G.E.C.K., Blender

**Sound Design and Composition:** Adobe Audition, AudioMulch, Cubase, Digital Performer, East-West

products, Finale, FMOD, Guitar Pro, Pro Tools, Native Instrument

products

Musical Instruments: Guitar (primary instrument), hand drums, flute, keyboard, synthesizers

Visual Design: Adobe Creative Suite, 3ds Max, SketchUp

Circuit Design Environments: Cadence, Verilog HDL, VHDL, Xilinx/Modelsim, ADS, Momentum,

OrCad Pspice

Other Software Experience: Windows, MS Office, MS-DOS, Unix, Mac OS X, Subversion, Git,

Tortoise, Trac