

Personal Data

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Academic Studies/ School

since September Master of Advanced Studies (MAS) in Architecture and 2015: Digital Fabrication,

Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich (ETHZ)

-Thesis: Autonomous 3D Printing of Spatially Extruded Structures through Machine Learning: Application to Structures Printed in 2.5D

2010-2014: Master of Science in Architecture (four semesters),

Bergische Universität Wuppertal (BUW), Architecture

-Design: 4D. Mobile Museum Prototypes

-Thesis: Machining Architecture: The Tectonics of 3D-Printing

-Grade: 1.5

-Talk at the architectural congress architectureworld 2015 in Münster with the title: 4D. Mobile Museum Prototypes: Temporäre Materialien für temporäre Architektur

2007-2010: Bachelor of Science in Architecture (six semesters),

Bergische Universität Wuppertal, Architecture

-Design: Urbanatix The School

-Grade: 1.5

-1. Price Development of the city center of Wuppertal Sonnborn (2010)

2006-2007: Commercial College for high-school graduates,

Friedrich-List-Berufskolleg, Solingen

-Grade: 1.1

1997-2006: Abitur / A-Levels (Advanced Courses: English and Ma-

Gymnasium Schwertstraße (Grammer school), Solingen

-Grade: 2.4

Work Experience/ Internships

2014-2015: (Interior) Architect

LANG - SHOP & OBJEKT GmbH, Dortmund:

-Design and execution planning for gastronomy and retail

-Structural design (extension/ reconstruction of exsisting buildings)

-Visualisations

2012-2013: Architect (Computation Specialist)

New-Territories (R&Sie(n) / [eIf/bʌt/c]) in Bangkok:

- -Development of parametric models for projects and installations of different sizes
- -Concept & schematic design
- -Set decorator for the short movie "Although (in) Hapnea"
- -Teaching collaboration (Computation) with the FabLab at Thammasat University of Architecture and Planning,

Bangkok, Thailand

2009-2013: Personal Assistant, working int the field of CSD (Computational Structure Design)

of Prof. Karl Schwalbenhofer, Professorship of Structural Engineering and Building Construction at BUW, Wuppertal:

-Programming of a particle-spring-system for formfinding and analysis of constructions

-Programming of a simulation and steering software for a CNC-Multitool for wirecutting (5 degrees of freedom)

-Collaboration with students, tutor for Processing

2012: Research Assistant for the project sinesurf

Professorship of Rendering Techniques and Design (DME) with Prof. Holger Hoffmann at BUW, Wuppertal:

-Research about the fabrication of complex geometries with a CNC-Multitool for wirecutting (5 degrees of freedom)

-Development of a digital tool

2009: Student Assistant / tutor in the computer lab

at BUW:

-Large scale printing, help with programms (3DSMax,

Adobe, SCIA)

2008: Intern at a building site

Company Perlongo und Bologna GbR, Solingen

2002-2009: Kitchen help

Retirement home St. Josef Haus, Solingen

Additional Skills / Interests

Computer Skills: Rhinoceros, 3ds Max Design, AutoCad,

Python, Processing, Maxscript, Grasshopper, G-Code, UR Script, KRL Script, RobotStudio,

VRay,

Adobe Creative Suite

MS Office

Language Skills: German: Native language

English: Proficient (bilingual German-English branch)

French: Fluent Thai: Basic Spanish: Basic

Personal Intersts: sports (soccer, volleyball, jogging, sailboarding), painting/

drawing, reading, cooking, travelling, photography, social

commitment

My Projects

Their influence on my development



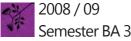


The constructive design of a roofing for the main train station in Wuppertal was my first programming experience starting with the generation of curves in Excel and a completly mathematical definition of geometry in Maxscript (3dsMax).



In this research physical by programming a G-C tool with hotwire

In this research project I was doing the step from digital to physical by programming a design tool in Grasshopper and generating a G-Code for the fabrication with a CNC-Multitool with hotwire cutting.





Dealing with the topic of big city plants I developed my artistic capabilities from sketches of elder to the graphic interpretation of its fruits as a future city to the construction and performance of an inhabitible sculpture.



This installation is my first project in practice where I could also apply my knowledge of geometry and programming. I was actively engaged in the whole project development to fabrication and also learned about decisions due to financial limitations.



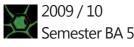


During this design I learned about typologies and I was creatively transforming a library to a ferry terminal while keeping the same building shape.





I was part of the conception and production of a (low budget) short movie and experienced how to teach (Python, GH) and conduct students to develop a project.





In collaboration with several architecture students as well as a civil engineering student I learned to design in urban scale and how to develop an utilization concept and a feasibility study.





From experimental model making I was participating in evolving the design of a swimming pool for which I was later doing the excecution drawings.



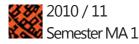


This design focussed on a pragmatic approach to architecture and was including the existing building of a church.





During this voluntary project of doing an exhebition design I made the experience of how creative potential is released from being without any financial means.



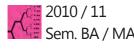


Reorganizing a quarter in Istanbul I was engaged with the topic of sustainability in the sense of refurbishing existing properties using ecological (recycling) materials and by giving a strong focus on keeping the cultural identity of the neighborhood.



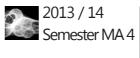


The design of an art museum in Bangkok was my first cooperation on a large-scale project. I learned a lot about and participated in the negotiation process between client, architect and engineer, also encountaring the challenge of colaborating with people unfamiliar with parametric design.





In different subjects as well as while I was working at the chair for CSD I was persuing my interest in programmnig and doing research in that field. I also shared my knowledge by teaching students of the next generation.





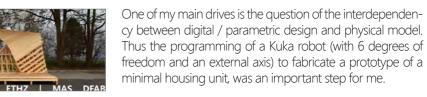
For my final master design it was important to me to propose a holistic vision for the life cycle of a temporary architecture which is incorporating the use of robotic fabrication and the conception of a new material that is biodegradable and extrudable. In that scope I was examining the programming of a swarm behaviour with structural capabilities (Processing).

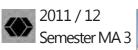


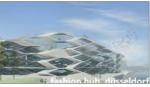


Starting from the critical examination of todays food production I evolved another parametric design which I was programming in Processing and transfering to Rhino by writing my own dxf export.

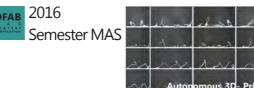








Here I was exploring geometries of spatial tessalation and I examined how to manipulate them in order to create architectural functionality.



In this project I am closing the loop from digital to physical, back to the digital. I am especially interested in this feedback and the concept of machine learning in architecure which can help to solve problems without completely understanding them e.g. it is possible to increase the accuracy of spatial polymer extrusion without analysing the material properties.