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Education

- 2010-16 PhD – Doctoral Program in Information Science and Technology, University of Coimbra.
Dissertation: Semantic Figurative Metaphors in Information Visualization.
- 2005-10 Master Degree (MSc) and Bachelor Degree (BSc) in Informatics Engineering, University of Coimbra. Thesis: Information Visualization – towards information aesthetics.

Employment

- 2016 Assistant Professor, Department of Art+Design, College of Arts Media and Design, Northeastern University.
- 2016 Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Art+Design, College of Arts Media and Design, Northeastern University.
- 2008-15 Freelancer, FBA. studio, Coimbra.
- 2010-15 Part-time Invited Assistant Professor, Department of Informatics Engineering, Faculty of Sciences and Technology, University of Coimbra.
- 2010-15 Research Student, Computational Design and Visualization Lab, Cognitive and Media Systems Group, Centre for Informatics and Systems of the University of Coimbra.
- 2015 Part-time Lecturer, Porto Business School.
- 2011-12 Visiting PhD student, Senseable City Lab, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
- 2012 Research assistant, Singapore-MIT Alliance for Research and Technology.
- 2009-10 Teaching Assistant, Department of Informatics Engineering, Faculty of Sciences and Technology, University of Coimbra.

Publications

Book Chapters

- Cruz, P., and Machado, P. “City Portraits and Caricatures.” In *Decoding the City: How Big Data Can Change Urbanism*, edited by Dietmar Offenhuber and Carlo Ratti, pp. 96–109, Birkhauser Verlag AG, 2014.

Reviewed Journal Articles

- Cruz, P. and Machado, P., 2016. Pulsing Blood Vessels: A Figurative Approach to Traffic Visualization. *IEEE Computer Graphics and Applications*, 36(2), pp. 16–21.
- Cruz, P. and Machado, P., 2015. Contiguous animated edge-based cartograms for traffic visualization. *IEEE Computer Graphics and Applications*, 35(5), pp. 6–13.
- Cruz, P. and Machado, P., 2011. Generative Storytelling for Information Visualization. *IEEE Computer Graphics and Applications*, 31(2), pp. 80–85.

Reviewed Conference Proceedings

- Polisciuc, E., Maças, C., Machado, Cruz, P. and Amaro, H., 2016. Flow map of products transported among warehouses and supermarkets in Portugal. In IVAPP: International Conference on Information Visualization Theory and Applications. Rome, 177-186.
- Maças, C., Polisciuc, E., Machado, Cruz, P. and Amaro, H., 2016. Iso-Edges for the Geo-Representation of Consumptions. In IVAPP. Rome, pp. 220-227.
- Cruz, P., 2015. Wrongfully right: applications of semantic figurative metaphors in information visualization. In IEEE VIS Arts Program. Chicago, pp. 14–21.
- Maças, C., Cruz, P. et al., 2015. Swarm systems in the visualization of consumption patterns. In IJCAI'15 International Conference on Artificial Intelligence. Buenos Aires, pp. 2466-2472.
- Polisciuc, E., Cruz, P. et al. 2015. Arc and Swarm-Based Representations of Customer's Flows Among Supermarkets. In IVAPP. Berlin, pp. 300-306.
- Maças, C., Cruz, P. et al. 2015. Time-Series Application on Big Data: Visualization of Consumption in Supermarkets. In IVAPP. Berlin, pp. 239-246.
- Cruz, P., Costa, C. and Machado, P., 2014. An Ecosystem of Corporate Politicians. In xCoAx Computation, Communication, Aesthetics and X. Porto, pp. 146–156.
- Cruz, P., and Machado, P., 2010. Visualizing the Portuguese Empire Expansion and Decline. In ARTECH: 5th International Conference on Digital Arts, Guimarães, pp. 65–71.

Reviewed Abstracts

- Kamolov, R., Machado, P., and Cruz, P., 2013. Musical Flocks. In ACM SIGGRAPH 2013 Posters, Anaheim, p. 93.
- Kamolov, R., Machado P., and Cruz, P., 2013. Visualizing the Flow of Users on a Wireless Network. In ACM SIGGRAPH 2013 Posters, Anaheim, p. 114.
- Cruz, P., and Machado, P., 2011. Visualizing the Circulatory Problems of Lisbon. In ACM SIGGRAPH 2011 Posters, Vancouver, p. 92.
- Duro, L., Cruz P., and Machado, P., 2011. Abstract Ocean Waves. In ACM SIGGRAPH 2011 Posters, Vancouver, p. 11.
- Cruz, P., and Machado, P., 2010. Visualizing Empires Decline. In ACM SIGGRAPH 2010 Posters, Los Angeles, p. 154.

Other

- Wihbey, J., Beaudet, M., and Cruz, P., 2017. There are huge holes in how the U.S. states investigate politicians' conflicts of interest. Washington Post/Monkey Cage. [Online here](#).
- Cruz, P., Robinson P., and Ratti, C., 2012. Deciphering the Signature of Humanity. Ericsson Business Review, 2, pp. 50-51.
- Cruz, P., Robinson, P., and Ratti, C., 2012. The Signature of Humanity. Ericsson Traffic and Market Report, 6, pp. 25-26.
- Cruz, P., Machado, P., and Bicker, J., 2010. Visualización del Tráfico en Lisboa. Mediateca Expandida. Habitar, LABoral Centro de Arte y Creación Cultural, pp. 86-87.

Creative activity

Exhibitions

- 2017 Lisbon as the Ibero-American Capital of Culture 2017, MUDE, April 22–July 2, Lisbon.
Work: An Ecosystem of Corporate Politicians.
- 2016 London Design Biennale, Somerset House, September 7–27, London.
Work: UN/BIASED.
- 2015 The Art of Networks II, New York Hall of Science – NYSCI, March 26–May 31, New York. Work:
An Ecosystem of Corporate Politicians.
- 2014 4th Ibero-American Biennial of Design, Central de Diseño de Matadero, November 25–February
28, Madrid. Work: An Ecosystem of Corporate Politicians.
- 2013 Nighttime-Dreamreal, Power Station of Art, December 3–March 30, Shanghai.
Work: Traffic in Lisbon.
- 2012 MOVE: The Transportation Expo, Institute Without Boundaries and Evergreen Canada, Evergreen
Brick Works, May 24–Oct 8, Toronto. Work: Lisbon Traffic.
- The Art of Networks, Foosaner Art Museum, March 8, Melbourne FL.
Work: Traffic in Lisbon.
- CES Consumer Electronics Show, Ericsson's Keynote, January 11, Las Vegas.
Work: Signature of Humanity.
- SMART Future Urban Mobility Symposium, Visual Explorations of Urban Mobility, National
University of Singapore, January, Singapore. Work: Data lenses.
- 2011 European Researchers' Night, Science Museum, September 23, Coimbra.
Several works exhibited.
- Talk to Me: Design and the Communication between People and Objects, MoMA Museum of
Modern Art, July 24–November 7, New York. Work: Visualizing Lisbon's Traffic.
- Design+Multimedia, Department of Informatics Engineering, May 16–20, Coimbra.
Several works exhibited.
- Enter 5: Datapolis, international art sci tech biennale, National Technical Library, April 14–17,
Prague. Work: The Morphing City.
- Electronics Alive VI, University of Tampa, January 21–February 24, Tampa.
Work: Visualizing Empires Decline.
- 2010 Smirnoff Nightlife Experience, Castelinho, September 31–October 17, São Paulo.
Work: Sync/Lost.
- ACM SIGGRAPH Computer Animation Festival, Electronic Theatre, August 26–28, Los Angeles.
Work: Visualizing Empires Decline.
- Mediateca Expandida: Habitar, LABoral Art and Industrial Creation Centre, May 27–November 8,
Gijón. Work: Aesthetics and visualization of Lisbon's traffic.

Presentations

- 2016 Indexical Design – A symposium on the experience of information and materiality of data, Fenway Center, June 25, Boston. Presentation: UN/BIASED.
- The Broad Institute, May 26, Boston. Presentation: Semantic Figurative Metaphors in Information Visualization.
- 2015 Zer0 – the future of knowledge-intensive based art, Municipal Library of Tavira, September 5, Tavira, Portugal. Presentation: Semantic figurative metaphors in visualization.
- 2014 4th Ibero-American Biennial of Design, awarded works presentations, Central de Diseño de Matadero, November 26, Madrid. Presentation: An Ecosystem of Corporate Politicians.
- 16th Festival CCP, Creatives Club of Portugal, ETIC, May 16, Lisbon. Presentation: Metaphors and visualization.
- Seminar: Data, digital methods and mapping social complexity, ENSCI, May 15, Paris. Organization: médialab (Sciences Po), IFRIS (ESIEE Paris). Lecture: Storytelling, metaphors and visualization.
- Transparency Hackday, Maus Hábitos, February 22, Porto. Presentation: Intervention and expressiveness in data visualization.
- 2013 Interaction South America'13, IxDA, November 14, Recife. Lecture: Portraits, Visualization, Information. Workshop: Using physics to design computationally.
- Polytechnic Institute of Cávado and Ave, September 27, Barcelos. Lecture: Portraits and caricatures in information visualization.
- Laboratory of Visuality and Visualization, Fine Arts School, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, July 17, Rio de Janeiro. Lecture: Exploring portraits and caricatures in information visualization.
- 2012 Barabási Lab, CCNR, Northeastern University, October 26, Boston. Lecture: Exploring Portraits and Caricatures in Data Visualization.
- 2011 Harvard Graduate School of Design, Urban Planning and Design, November 11, Cambridge. Lecture: Information visualization: expressiveness and accuracy.
- Design+Multimedia talks, Science Museum, May 3, Coimbra. Presentation: My work and my path.
- Youth Week, Loures City Council, Ceramics Museum, March 30, Loures. Presentation: Visualizing Empires Decline.
- International colloquium: Image in Science and Art, Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation, February 18, Lisbon. Lecture: Visualization of complexity: expressiveness and accuracy.
- Faculty of Humanities/University of Coimbra, European Masters degree in European Heritage, Digital Media and the Information Society, January 7, Coimbra. Lecture: Computers and graphics – a data visualization point of view.

Projects

- 2016 Collaborator, School of Journalism, Northeastern University.
Project: The State Financial Disclosure Project, led by John Whibey and Mike Beudet. I led the visualization component of the project while supervising one student.
- Co-creator with Marta de Menezes. Project: UN/BIASED – Organic visualizations for the duality of social utopia and dystopia. Work commissioned by Cultivamos Cultura for the London Design Biennale 2016, and curated by Manuel Lima.
- 2014-15 Project leader, Information technology and Systems Laboratory, Instituto Pedro Nunes – Association for Innovation and Development in Science and Technology.
Project: Visualization for Big Data: retail sales and Portuguese behavioral patterns.

Awards and distinctions

- 2016 Excellence in Teaching Award, College of Arts, Media and Design, Northeastern University.
- Communication Arts Award of Excellence in Typography, Poster category.
Work: Indexical Design Symposium Poster, designed with Thomas Starr.
- 2015 Nominee, Innovative Nation National Award (SIC Notícias and Audi), Lisbon.
- 2014 Award for Design and Social Movements, 4th Ibero-American Biennial of Design, Madrid.
Work: An ecosystem of corporate politicians.
- 2013 One of the ten most significant information designers in the world, La Lettura, Corriere della Sera, p.8-9 (October 27), Milan.
Panel: Jer Throp, Naomi Robbins, Alberto Cairo, Paolo Ciuccarelli, Andy Kirk, Carlo Ratti.
- 2011 Semi-finalist, ACM SIGGRAPH Student Research Competition, graduate category, Vancouver.
Work: Visualizing the Circulatory Problems of Lisbon.
- Honorable mention, MiniMax Mapping Context, École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne.
Work: Lisbon's Blood Vessels.
- National Award Seeds of Science Junior, Ciência Hoje: Magazine of science, technology and entrepreneurship, Figueira da Foz.
- 2010 Winner, ACM SIGGRAPH Student Research Competition, graduate category, Los Angeles.
Work: Visualizing Empires Decline.
- Jury selection, ACM SIGGRAPH Computer Animation Festival, Los Angeles.
Work: Visualizing Empires Decline.

Service to the Profession

Since 2016 Member of program committee, IEEE VIS 2016 Arts Program.

— Member of program committee, Expressive 2016: Computational Aesthetics – International Symposium on Computational Aesthetics in Graphics, Visualization, and Imaging.

2012-2015 Member of program committee, evomusart – International conference on biologically inspired music, sound, art and design.

2015 Member of program committee, Narrative Visualization, iV2015 – 19th International Conference on Information Visualisation.

2012 Invited Reviewer, Journal of Genetic Programming and Evolvable Machines – Special Issue: Evolutionary Computation in Art, Sound and Music, Springer, 3, 2013.

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