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O Museu de São Roque, da Santa Casa da Misericórdia de Lisboa, reúne um magnífico acervo de obras de arte do século XVI ao século XVIII, assumindo, como tal, um papel fundamental para a dinamização da Cultura em Portugal, evidenciando-se como um dos mais completos núcleos de arte sacra, cuja importância ultrapassa o contexto nacional.

Ao inegável valor do acervo do Museu de São Roque, acresce uma intensa actividade desenvolvida nos últimos anos, salientando-se a implementação de projectos direcionados a diversificados tipos de público, com vista a captar e fidelizar visitantes com um amplo leque de exigências.

Como estratégia para a dinamização da actividade cultural, o museu dá continuidade ao ciclo de arte contemporânea “Percep-

ções do Sagrado”, projecto que visa colocar em diálogo a arte sacra e a arte contemporânea, nas suas múltiplas expressões e abordagens.

A proposta ora apresentada pelo artista plástico André Sier, com recurso a novas tecnologias, permite promover uma interactividade com o visitante, abordando o tema do Universo, conceito que pela sua dimensão se enquadraria no Museu de São Roque pela natureza das suas colecções que, na sua origem, cumpriam, maioritariamente, funções cultuais.

Com esta exposição, a Santa Casa da Misericórdia de Lisboa procura desafiar o visitante a experimentar novas abordagens da Arte e, simultaneamente, proporcionar um olhar inovador sobre este espaço museológico, contribuindo, desta forma, para uma melhor fruição do património histórico e artístico da Instituição.

Rui António Ferreira da Cunha

Provedor da Santa Casa da Misericórdia de Lisboa

The Museu de São Roque, of the Santa Casa da Misericórdia de Lisboa, houses a magnificent collection of works of art from the sixteenth to the eighteenth centuries, thereby assuming a fundamental role in dynamizing culture in Portugal, revealing itself to be one of the most complete centres of sacred art, the importance of which goes beyond the national context.

The undeniable value of the Museu de São Roque's collection is complemented by the intense activity undertaken during the past few years, of which it is worth highlighting the implementation of projects aimed at diverse sections of the public which aim to attract and win the loyalty of visitors with wide-ranging demands.

As a strategy for dynamizing cultural activity, the museum is continuing with the cycle of contemporary art *Percepções do*

Sagrado, which aims to establish a dialogue between sacred art and contemporary art in their varied expressions and approaches.

The proposal now being presented by the visual artist André Sier makes use of new technologies in such a way as to establish interaction with the visitor, tackling the theme of the universe, a concept which, because of its scale, is in harmony with the Museu de São Roque due to the nature of its collections, which largely fulfilled religious functions.

With this exhibition, the Santa Casa da Misericórdia de Lisboa is seeking to challenge the visitor to experience new approaches to art and, at the same time, to provide an innovative look at this museological space, thereby helping to provide greater enjoyment of the institution's historical and artistic heritage.

Rui António Ferreira da Cunha

Provedor of Santa Casa da Misericórdia de Lisboa

O ciclo de arte contemporânea em São Roque, *Percepções do Sagrado*, teve início em 2010, com a exibição de três exposições temporárias concebidas a partir do acervo do Museu de São Roque, uma da autoria da joalheira Leonor Hipólito, outra, do artista plástico Luís Nobre e a terceira, da fotógrafa Margarida Correia.

Em 2011, dando continuidade a este ciclo, o Museu de São Roque acolhe um projecto de André Sier, artista que produz instalações /objectos que envolvem linguagens de programação audiovisuais e que tem vindo a expor desde finais dos anos 90, colaborando com artistas plásticos, performers e músicos.

A exposição *uunniiveersse.net* desenvolve-se em torno de conceitos cosmogónicos, procurando questionar a origem do Universo, temática que se enquadra com particular pertinência no Museu de São Roque pela natureza das suas coleções que, na sua origem, cumpriam, maioritariamente, funções cultuais.

De facto, o esforço de compreender o cosmos tem sido uma das inquietações inerentes ao ser humano em todas as épocas e a questão da criação do Universo encontra-se presente em qualquer espaço que exiba arte sacra. Com esta exposição André Sier pretende que o público questione conceitos, imagine e crie universos. Deste modo, o artista projectou um conjunto de dez peças interactivas, ou seja, que podem ser alteradas /manipuladas pelo observador, através do movimento ou do toque, nove das quais a expor no espaço do museu e uma décima peça que consiste numa projecção interactiva na fachada do museu. Esta última peça será exibida durante a noite e funcionará, também, como uma forma de mostrar o que se passa no interior do museu.

Esta iniciativa, que procura valorizar novas experiências artísticas, potencia o diálogo entre a arte sacra e a arte contemporânea, proporcionando ao visitante uma renovada fruição do acervo do Museu de São Roque.

Teresa Freitas Morna
Directora do Museu de São Roque

Percepções do Sagrado, the cycle of contemporary art in São Roque, began in 2010 with the staging of three temporary exhibitions put together from the collection of the Museu de São Roque. One was created by the jeweller Leonor Hipólito, the other by the visual artist Luís Nobre, and the third by the photographer Margarida Correia.

In 2011, continuing this cycle, the Museum of São Roque is hosting a project by André Sier, an artist who produces installations /objects involving audiovisual programming languages. Sier has been exhibiting since the late 1990s, collaborating with visual artists, performers and musicians.

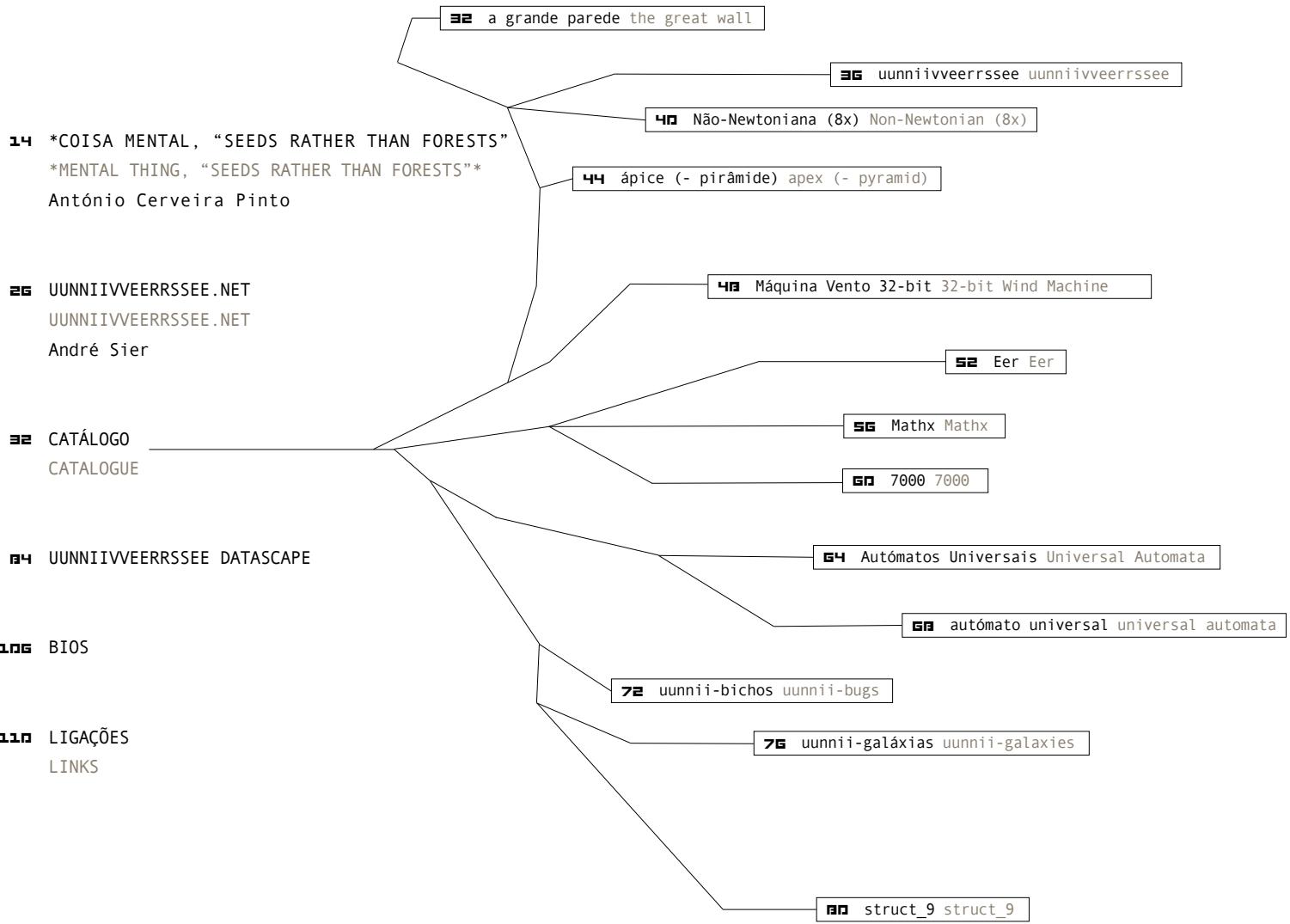
The exhibition *unnniiveersse.net* develops around cosmogonic concepts, seeking to examine the origin of the universe, a theme that is framed with particular relevance at the Museu de São Roque due to the nature of its collections which, in their origins, largely fulfilled cultic functions. In fact, the effort to understand

the cosmos has been a concern that is inherent in the human condition throughout all eras and the question of the creation of the universe arises in any space that exhibits sacred art. With this exhibition, André Sier intends the public to question concepts and to imagine and create universes. The artist has thereby designed a series of ten pieces which are interactive, or which can be changed /manipulated by the observer through movement or touch. Nine of the pieces are being exhibited inside the museum and a tenth piece, consisting of an interactive projection, is being shown on the facade of the museum. This last piece will be exhibited during the night and will also serve as a way of showing what happens inside the museum.

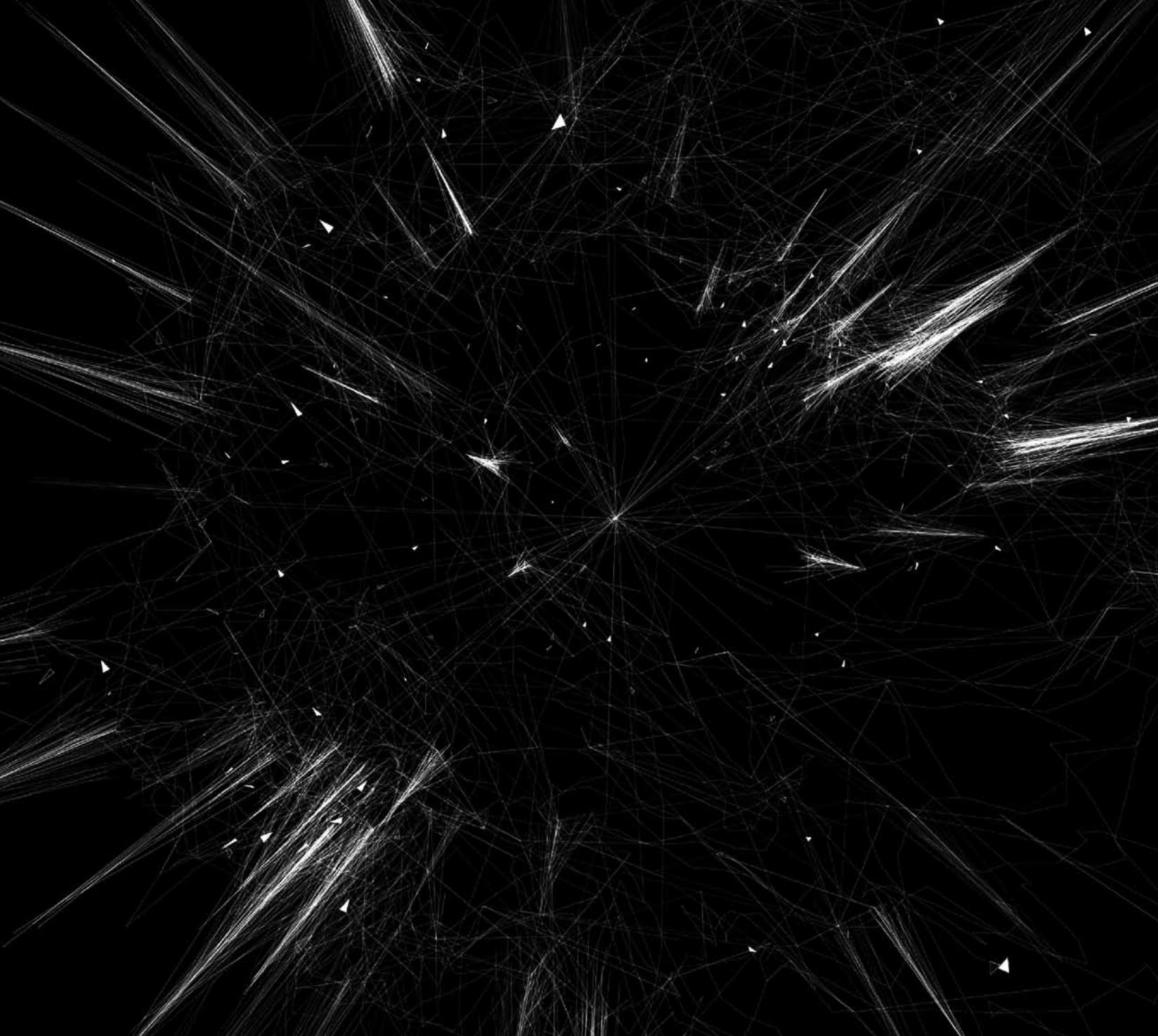
This initiative, which seeks to value new artistic experiments, enhances the dialogue between sacred art and contemporary art, providing the visitor with a new opportunity to enjoy the Museu de São Roque's collection.

Teresa Freitas Morna
Director of Museum of São Roque

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* CASEA MENTAL, "SEEDS RATHER THAN FORESTS" *

António Cerveira Pinto

Na segunda metade de 1997 imaginei um mapa interactivo do meu país, georeferenciado, ligando uma navegação virtual sobre o mapa ortofotográfico do território às moradas que então cresciam já a uma velocidade exponencial na Internet. O projecto viria a ser realizado para a EXPO'98 e baptizado com o nome Portugal Digital. Consultei e reuni para o efeito várias instituições portuguesas: o Instituto Superior Técnico, a Universidade Nova, o Centro Nacional de Informação Geográfica e o Instituto Geográfico do Exército. Para compilar e computar o projecto contei com Joaquim Muchaxo, entre uma plêiade de engenheiros informáticos que tornaram o projecto concretizável em tempo útil para a grande exposição. Para calcular e visualizar em tempo real todos os processos de chamada e compilação de dados foi necessário adquirir um super-computador da Silicon Graphics, o SGI Onyx2 Reality Engine, com 4GB de memória RAM, e um processador de

195MHz. O preço desta máquina, em 1998, rondou os 600 mil euros! O mesmo poder de realização não custa hoje, 13 anos passados, mais do que 3 mil euros, ou seja, 200x menos! Medindo esta revolução tecnológica de outro ângulo, por exemplo, o da população virtual da Internet, verificamos que existiam 147 milhões de utilizadores em 1998, enquanto hoje este número subiu para 1.966.514.816, ou seja, 13x mais.

A revolução tecnológica em curso deu lugar, em pouco mais de uma década, a um tecido cognitivo e sensorial híbrido, digital-interactivo, meio humano, meio máquina, cujos graus de liberdade lhe conferem enorme elasticidade linguística e plástica e uma crescente, mesmo invasiva, ubiquidade. A partir de uma triangulação de satélites de comunicações esta nova pele sobre-humana cobre o planeta com uma película de meta-realidade inteiramente inesperada e transformadora.

Curiosamente, em 1999, um ano depois da apresentação na EXPO '98 do protótipo incógnito do que em 2005 viria a emergir, fruto de outra aventura, como Google Maps, André Sier, então estudante do Ar.Co, apresentava o seu primeiro projecto de arte computacional, “0 0 255”, usando o Unreal, um jogo de tiro na primeira pessoa (FSP), desviando-se embora claramente da sua ideologia. Enquanto os jogos de computador e “video games” seguem modelos icónicos e narrativos oriundos do imaginário e da cultura popular urbana, derivando não raras vezes do vasto mundo de aventuras da banda desenhada, do cinema de animação e da literatura de ficção científica, a descarnagem típica dos mundos virtuais interactivos de André Sier, ainda que tirando partido máximo dos motores computacionais, algoritmos, bibliotecas e linguagens de programação disponíveis, apontam claramente para uma outra tradição cultural: a da estética essencialista e analítica de um dos mais importantes segmentos da arte moderna dos séculos XIX e XX: a tendência para a abstração. Ao contrário das fantásticas desconstruções realizadas pelos Jodi a partir de jogos como Wolfenstein 3D, Quake, Jet Set Willy e Max Payne2, André Sier tem uma abordagem, por assim dizer, mais construtivista. O seu distanciamento relativamente ao que poderíamos chamar entretenimento, cultura popular, arte comercial ou indústria criativa, não ocorre sob um regime de dissensão desta espécie de realidade alienada, que a ideologia “hacker” dos Jodi tão bem distorce e escandalosamente escancara, mas antes como construção de novos mundos possíveis usando as mesmas ferramentas genéticas que a indústria utiliza para fins tão distintos quanto a arte da guerra e a cultura popular agonística.

Observando, como venho observando há anos, a obra de Sier, constato que a mesma é, em si mesma, um progressivo historial de sedimentação e expansão generativa, acumulando estratégias,

algoritmos, possibilidades, desígnios, gramáticas, bibliotecas, actores, ambientes e narrativas — constituídas ou potenciais. As peças evoluem por séries, precisamente porque são mundos de possibilidades autónomas, que podem iterar e ganhar complexidade, profundidade, definição e cor, por processos automáticos, aleatórios, genéticos e interactivos — endógenos e/ou exógenos. O que torna tão fascinantes os mundos imersivos ordenados por André Sier é, por assim dizer, a íntima correlação existente entre a deriva intuitiva das suas construções oníricas e a “techné” puramente mental e lógica rigorosamente prosseguida por alguém que na circunstância do seu próprio processo criativo consciente não pode deixar de ser considerado um artesão, ou um técnico, comprometido com a necessidade de dominar uma disciplina de linguagem, para melhor lidar com essa matéria que invariavelmente resiste à modelação, à palavra, e ao gesto final que antecede o nascimento de uma obra de arte. No caso, a massa da criação são zeros e uns, ou mais exactamente, processos combinatórios-binários baseados em conjuntos de 4-bits, 16-bits, 32-bits, 64-bits, 128-bits, etc., cuja activação depende de um “bang” — eco discreto de um “bigbang” primordial. A evolução genética dos produtos decorrentes das instruções cumpridas e das possibilidades algorítmicas depende à partida de um desenho estratégico, ou numa perspectiva deísta, de um demiurgo, ou seja, daquele que está entre Deus e a Coisa Realizada.

A longa tendência analítica da arte moderna chegaria durante o século passado a dois momentos críticos aparentemente anti-téticos, a partir dos quais, supôs-se então, a arte ocidental caminharia inexoravelmente para uma fase de decadêncio de índole revivalista e neo-académica (o que efectivamente ocorreu). Esses dois momentos ficaram conhecidos por minimalismo e conceptualismo. Na realidade, foram as duas faces de uma mesma moeda:

a redução fenomenológica da arte enquanto objecto, ou coisa no espaço-tempo, e enquanto linguagem. Desta fenomenologia dilettante nasceu, enfim, uma experiência cultural cosmopolita oscilando entre o misticismo lógico e a voz da retórica. E no entanto, as coisas tinham corrido bem até Carl Andre, Donald Judd, Dan Flavin, da banda minimalista, e até Sol Lewitt, Joseph Kosuth e Dan Graham, da banda conceptual. Tragicamente bem!

De algum modo, podemos hoje dizer que a tendência geral para abstracção que acelerou a partir do pós-impressinismo analítico (sobretudo de Monet e Seurat), do cubismo, do suprematismo, do neoplasticismo e da arte abstracta em geral, chegou ao fim durante as décadas de 1960-1970 com a emergência e queda do minimalismo e da arte conceptual, prisioneiros ambos de um reducionismo mais metafórico do que verdadeiramente intelectual. Deixaram, porém, uma herança que hoje autores como André Sier podem legitimamente tomar invocando a acuidade filosófica e estética do património inestimável da arte europeia que o Renascimento indiscutivelmente encetou, e que o Racionalismo, o Positivismo e o Idealismo Alemão elevaram depois a patamares de complexidade e robustez metafísica insusceptíveis de regresso às narrativas religiosas que dominaram o sentimento e os procedimentos da arte durante centenas de milhar de anos.

A literatura, as artes em geral e a própria filosofia chegaram durante o século 20, simplificando, aos graus zeros dos respectivos paradigmas constitutivos e culturais. Desnudadas as formas até à abstracção mais radical — essa espécie de regresso à geometria e à lógica que dominou a evolução das vanguardas artísticas e intelectuais europeias e americanas, de Monet a Roland Barthes — restou então o tempo da anatomia dos processos generativos das várias linguagens, da psicanálise dos autores e da sociologia da recepção. Em 1936 o matemático, lógico e criptólogo Alan Turing já havia

publicado a descrição de uma “experiência mental” a que chamou “a(utomatic)-machine” e que acabaria por ser conhecida mais tarde pelo nome de Máquina de Turing. Uma “Universal Turing Machine” (UTM) é uma máquina que consegue simular qualquer outra máquina, e um “teste de Turing” é uma forma de avaliação da capacidade de uma máquina para exibir um comportamento inteligente. Durante a segunda guerra mundial Turing foi recrutado por Winston Churchill para ajudar os serviços secretos militares ingleses a decifrar as mensagens codificadas da marinha de guerra alemã, cuja encriptação estava a cargo de duas máquinas electromecânicas baseada em rotores, a Enigma e a Lorenz (esta última estritamente dedicada à encriptação das mensagens do alto comando militar alemão). Os submarinos alemães foram à época responsáveis pelo afundamento de milhares de navios, nomeadamente civis, que transportavam pessoas, víveres, equipamentos e diverso material (nomeadamente de guerra) entre o continente americano e a Europa em guerra. As máquinas de encriptação alemã, cuja origem próxima datam da primeira guerra mundial (1914-18), pareciam imbatíveis pelos criptologistas humanos aliados. Foi então que Alan Turing, integrado já na equipa de criptólogos de Bletchley Park, também conhecido por Station X, e as suas teorias sobre números computacionais e máquinas automáticas deixaram uma marca indelével nos procedimentos que levaram o Post Office Electronics Engineer Tommy Flowers a desenhar e construir finalmente a máquina capaz de emular a codificação operada pelos rotores da Lorenz e assim decifrar em 1944 as mensagens do alto comando militar alemão nas vésperas do desembarque aliado na Normandia, conhecido por Dia-D. Colossus, Mark I e Mark II, foram assim as primeiras duas máquinas electrónicas de processamento digital de informação alguma vez construídas para efeitos práticos, e as pioneiras absolutas dos actuais computadores.

Esta breve incursão histórica é importante para se compreender o salto epistemológico fundador daquilo a que com propriedade poderíamos chamar o início da era pós-moderna, isto é, o momento a partir do qual a compreensão e a manufactura humana dos mundos possíveis transitou, pelo menos parcialmente, do trabalho meramente humano, físico e intelectual, para o trabalho das máquinas inteligentes. Mais do que pintar florestas ou construir mundos, como disse Brian Eno, numa formulação particularmente elegante e poética, o criador dos tempos pós-modernos, espécie de monista agnóstico e pós-industrial, dedica-se a semear princípios generativos, dos quais espera a emergência de novas constelações harmónicas — “seeds rather than forests”.

Os autómatas celulares de John Conway, desenvolvidos por Bill Gosper e Stephen Wolfram, entre outros, os algoritmos genéticos de Karl Sims, os enxames de Craig Reynolds, são alguns dos paradigmas da nova cultura emergente, onde André Sier, e muitos outros criadores contemporâneos, ou melhor dito, pós-contemporâneos (na medida em que as suas criações não são “actuais”, mas potenciais, incorporando estados passados, presentes e potencialmente futuros), claramente se encontra e é, entre os mais jovens artistas cognitivos e computacionais portugueses, um dos seus mais sérios, originais e notáveis protagonistas.

Existe ainda um problema de aprendizagem por resolver no que toca à recepção dinâmica das obras generativas e interactivas que têm vindo a ser criadas fora da disciplina estrita da música e dos ambientes e instalações puramente dirigidas ao ouvido. A responsabilidade por este atraso cultural deve-se sobretudo à inércia conservadora do mundo museológico e galerístico da chamada “arte contemporânea”. Enquanto a cultura electrónica popular progrediu a uma velocidade exponencial, como a importância sociológica, económica e estratégica da indústria

de jogos incontrovertivelmente atesta, as artes generativas e cognitivas em geral persistem ainda encapsuladas numa espécie de limbo “pré-artístico”, como se fossem seres estranhos a quem não é ainda permitido entrar de pleno direito no mundo “adulta” da arte. Este atraso institucional vai acabar por ser superado, provavelmente depois de um grande “bang”, cuja ocorrência creio estar ao virar da esquina. Quando menos esperarmos, as artes generativas e cognitivas entrarão pelos nossos neurónios dentro com a mesma aparente naturalidade, velocidade e irresistível impregnação de um algoritmo tão revolucionário quanto aquele que deu origem ao nascimento do Google. Os trabalhos preparatórios estão há já longa data em curso. E os mundos filosoficamente possíveis de André Sier fazem seguramente parte do exame que produzirá a próxima grande transformação da *téχνη* (*techné*).

Deixo, por fim, neste breve escrito introdutório à exposição que André Sier apresenta no Museu de São Roque (Lisboa), algumas noções a ter em conta quando vemos, ouvimos, sentimos, percebemos e interagimos com qualquer das peças que fazem parte de “uunniivveerrssee.net”:

1) o ambiente de percepção é multi-modal: espaço, objecto, som, imagem, interacção, retroacção, fantasma, conexão, rede, partilha, suspensão, intervalo, continuação, potencial.

2) “uunniivveerrssee.net” não é um mundo finito, mas uma cosmogonia de possibilidades, computacionalmente gerada sobre bases digitais com várias extensões (32-bits e 64-bits). Neste caso, as frases “fui ver a exposição do André”, ou “gostei das instalações do Sier”, são incompletas e descrevem apenas a memória de uma percepção muito incompleta e de duração mínima da realidade potencial inscrita nas obras de arte oferecidas, cuja apreensão exige, na realidade, o tempo aparentemente infinito dos jogos.

3) as criaturas impressas e retiradas do mundo digital de possibilidades inscritas ou desencadeadas pela interacção humano-máquina — um jogo, individual ou colectivo, aleatório ou construído, partilhado ou simplesmente cumulativo de possibilidades — são a prova perceptiva, sensorial e física de uma emergência real, bem mais para cá, portanto, do que os universos meramente ficcionais ou simplesmente virtuais da pré-história da arte generativa e cognitiva em geral.

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MENTAL THING. "SEEDS RATHER THAN FORESTS"

António Cerveira Pinto

In the second half of 1997, I conceived an interactive, geo-referenced map of my country that would connect a virtual navigation of an orthophoto map of the territory to the sites that were then cropping up on the Internet at an exponential rate. The project would come to be created for EXPO'98 and was given the name Portugal Digital. For the purpose, I consulted and brought together several Portuguese institutions: the Instituto Superior Técnico, the Universidade Nova, the Centro Nacional de Informação Geográfica and the Instituto Geográfico do Exército. To compile and computerize the project, I received the help of Joaquim Muchaxo, one of a cluster of IT engineers who made the project viable in time for the big exhibition. In order to calculate and visualise in real time all of the processes that called up and compiled the data, it was necessary to buy a Silicon Graphics supercomputer, the SGI Onyx2 Reality Engine, with 4 GB of RAM and a

195 MHz processor. In 1998, the cost of this machine was around 600,000 euros! Today, 13 years later, the same computing power costs no more than 3000 euros, i.e., 200 times less! Measuring this technological revolution from another angle, for example, that of the virtual population of the Internet, we can confirm that there were 147 million users in 1998 while today the number has risen to 1,966,514,816, that is, it has increased 13-fold.

In little more than a decade, the technological revolution that was underway has given rise to a cognitive and sensorial fabric that is hybrid, digitally interactive, half-human, half-machine and whose degrees of freedom grant it an enormous linguistic and visual elasticity and a growing, even invasive, ubiquity. From a triangulation of communication satellites, this new super-human skin is covering the planet with a film of wholly unexpected and transformative meta-reality.

Curiously, in 1999, one year after the presentation at EXPO '98 of the unknown prototype of what, in 2005, would emerge as Google Maps (the fruit of another venture), André Sier, then a student at AR.CO, was presenting his first computational art project, 0 0 255, which, although inspired by the first-person shooting game Unreal, clearly deviated from the game's ideology. While computer and video games follow iconic and narrative models that stem from the imagination and from popular urban culture, not infrequently arising from the vast world of cartoon adventures, animated cinema, and sci-fi literature, the typical stripped-down nature of André Sier's interactive worlds, while taking maximum advantage of computational engines, algorithms, libraries and available programming languages, clearly point to another cultural tradition: that of the essentialist and analytical aesthetics of one of the most important areas in nineteenth- and twentieth-century modern art: the tendency towards abstraction. Unlike the Jodis' fantastic deconstructions of games such as Wolfenstein 3D, Quake, Jet Set Willy and Max Payne 2, André Sier adopts an approach which could be called more constructivist. His distancing from what could be called entertainment, popular culture, commercial art, or the creative industries does not take place under a regime of divergence from this sort of alienated reality, which the Jodis' hacker ideology so thoroughly distorts and scandalously exposes. Rather, it occurs as a construction of new possible worlds using the same genetic tools that industry uses for purposes as varied as warfare and popular agonistic culture.

Observing Sier's work, as I have done for many years, I know that it is in itself a progressive record of sedimentation and generative expansion, accumulating strategies, algorithms, possibilities, designs, grammars, libraries, actors, environments and narratives, whether constituted or potential. The pieces evolve in

series, precisely because they are worlds of autonomous possibilities which can iterate and gain in complexity, depth, definition and colour via automatic, aleatory, genetic and interactive processes, both endogenous and/or exogenous. What makes the immersive worlds ordered by André Sier so fascinating is the intimate correlation, as it were, that exists between the intuitive drift of his oneiric constructions and the purely mental and logical "techne" that is rigorously pursued by someone who, in the circumstances of his own conscious creative process, cannot fail to be considered an artisan, or a technician, committed to the need to master a language discipline in order to better tackle this matter, which invariably resists not only modelling but also the word and the final gesture that heralds the birth of a great work of art. In this case, the mass of the creation consists of zeroes and ones, or more precisely, binary combinatorial processes based on series of 8 bits, 16 bits, 32 bits, 64 bits, 128 bits etc., the activation of which depends on a "bang" — the discreet echo of a primordial "big bang". The genetic revolution of products arising from instructions followed and algorithmic possibilities depends, from the start, on a strategic design, or, from the Deist perspective, a demiurge, or rather, that which is between God and the Realised Thing.

During the last century, the long analytical trend in modern art arrived at two apparently antithetical critical movements from which, it was then supposed, Western art would move inexorably towards a phase of revivalist and neo-academic decadence (which in fact was the case). These two movements were known as minimalism and conceptualism. In fact, they were two sides of the same coin: the phenomenological reduction of art as an object, or a thing in space-time, and as language. Finally, a cosmopolitan cultural experiment, oscillating between logical mysticism and

the voice of rhetoric, was born out of this dilettante phenomenology. However, things went well until Carl André, Donald Judd, Dan Flavin appeared in the minimalist camp, and Sol Lewitt, Joseph Kosuth and Dan Graham appeared in the conceptual camp. Tragically well!

In some way, we can now say that the general trend towards abstraction that accelerated after analytical post-impressionism (particularly that of Monet and Seurat), cubism, suprematism, neo-plasticism and abstract art in general, reached its end point during the 1960s and 70s with the emergence and decline of minimalism and conceptual art, both of which were prisoners of a reductionism that was more metaphorical than genuinely intellectual. However, they left a legacy which, today, artists like André Sier can legitimately revisit by invoking the philosophical and aesthetic acuity of European art's inestimable heritage that the renaissance undoubtedly started, and which rationalism, positivism, and German idealism subsequently raised to levels of complexity and metaphysical robustness from which there could be no possible return to the religious narratives that dominated the sentiment and procedures of art for hundreds of thousands of years.

During the twentieth century, literature, the arts in general, and philosophy itself reached the degree zero of their respective constitutive and cultural paradigms. With forms being stripped to the most radical abstraction – the sort of return to geometry and logic that dominated the development of the artistic avant-gardes and European and American intellectuals from Monet to Roland Barthes – there remained the time in which to anatomize the processes by which several languages, authorial psychoanalysis, and the sociology of reception were generated. In 1936, the mathematician, logician and cryptologist Alan Turing had alre-

ady published his description of a “mental experiment” called the “a(utomatic)-machine”, which would subsequently come to be known as the Turing machine. A “universal Turing machine” (UTM) is a machine that manages to simulate any other Turing machine (1948), and the Turing test is a way of assessing a machine’s ability to display intelligent behaviour. During the Second World War, Turing was recruited by Winston Churchill to help the British secret services to decipher the coded messages of the German Navy, the encryption of which was carried out by two rotor-based electro-mechanical machines, the Enigma and the Lorenz (the latter being used strictly to encrypt the messages of the German high command). At the time, German submarines were responsible for sinking thousands of ships, particularly civil vessels which transported people, provisions, equipment and various materials (particularly for the war) between the American continent and wartime Europe. The German encryption machines, the origins of which dated back to the First World War (1914-18), seemed impossible for the Allied human cryptologists to break. It was then that Alan Turing, a member of the team of cryptologists working at Bletchley Park, also known as Station X, and his theories about computational numbers and automatic machines left an indelible mark on the procedures that led Tommy Flowers, the Post Office Electronics Engineer, to design and finally build a machine that was capable of emulating the coding operated by the rotors of the Lorenz and thus to decipher the messages of the German high command on the eve of the Allied landing in Normandy, known as D-Day. Colossus Mark I and Colossus Mark II were therefore the first two electronic machines designed to digitally process information that were ever built for practical purposes, as well as being the absolute pioneers of modern day computers.

This brief historical incursion is important if we are to un-

derstand the founding epistemological leap taken by what can properly be called the start of the postmodern era. In other words, the moment from which the understanding and human manufacturing of possible worlds moved, at least partially, from work that was merely human, physical and intellectual to the work of intelligent machines. Rather than painting forests or building worlds, as Brian Eno said in a particularly elegant and poetic formulation, the postmodern creator, a sort of agnostic and post-industrial monist, devotes himself to sowing generative principles from which he expects new harmonic constellations to emerge – “seeds rather than forests”.

John Conway’s cellular automata (developed by Bill Koster and Stephen Wolfram, among others), Karl Sims’s genetic algorithms, and Craig Reynolds’s swarms are some of the paradigms of the new emerging culture in which André Sier is clearly located, along with many other contemporary, or rather post-contemporary, creators (to the extent that their creations are not “actual” but potential, incorporating past, present and potentially future states). Being among the youngest of the cognitive and computational Portuguese artists, André Sier is one of their most serious, original and remarkable representatives.

There is still a learning curve to be climbed regarding the dynamic reception of generative and interactive works that have been created outside of the strict disciplines of music, environments, and installations aimed purely at the ear. Responsibility for this cultural delay primarily falls upon the conservative inertia of the museum and gallery-based world of so-called “contemporary art”. While popular electronic culture has progressed at an exponential rate, as incontrovertibly attested by the sociological, economic and strategic importance of the games industry, the generative and cognitive arts in general remain encapsulated in a

sort of “pre-artistic” limbo, as if they were strange beings which were not yet fully entitled to enter the “adult” world of art. This institutional delay will be overcome, probably after a big bang, which I believe lies around the corner. When we least expect it, the cognitive and generative arts will enter our neurones with the same apparent naturalness, speed and irresistible impregnation as an algorithm as revolutionary as that which gave rise to the birth of Google. The preparatory work has been underway for a long time. And the philosophically possible worlds of André Sier are surely part of the swarm that will produce the next big change in the *τέχνη* (techne).

Finally, in this brief introduction to the exhibition that André Sier is presenting at the Museu de São Roque (Lisbon), I will leave you with some notions to bear in mind when we see, hear, feel, perceive and interact with some of the pieces that make up *uunniivveerrssee.net*:

1) the perceptive environment is multi-modal: space, object, sound, image, interaction, retroaction, ghost, connection, network, sharing, suspension, interval, continuation, potential.

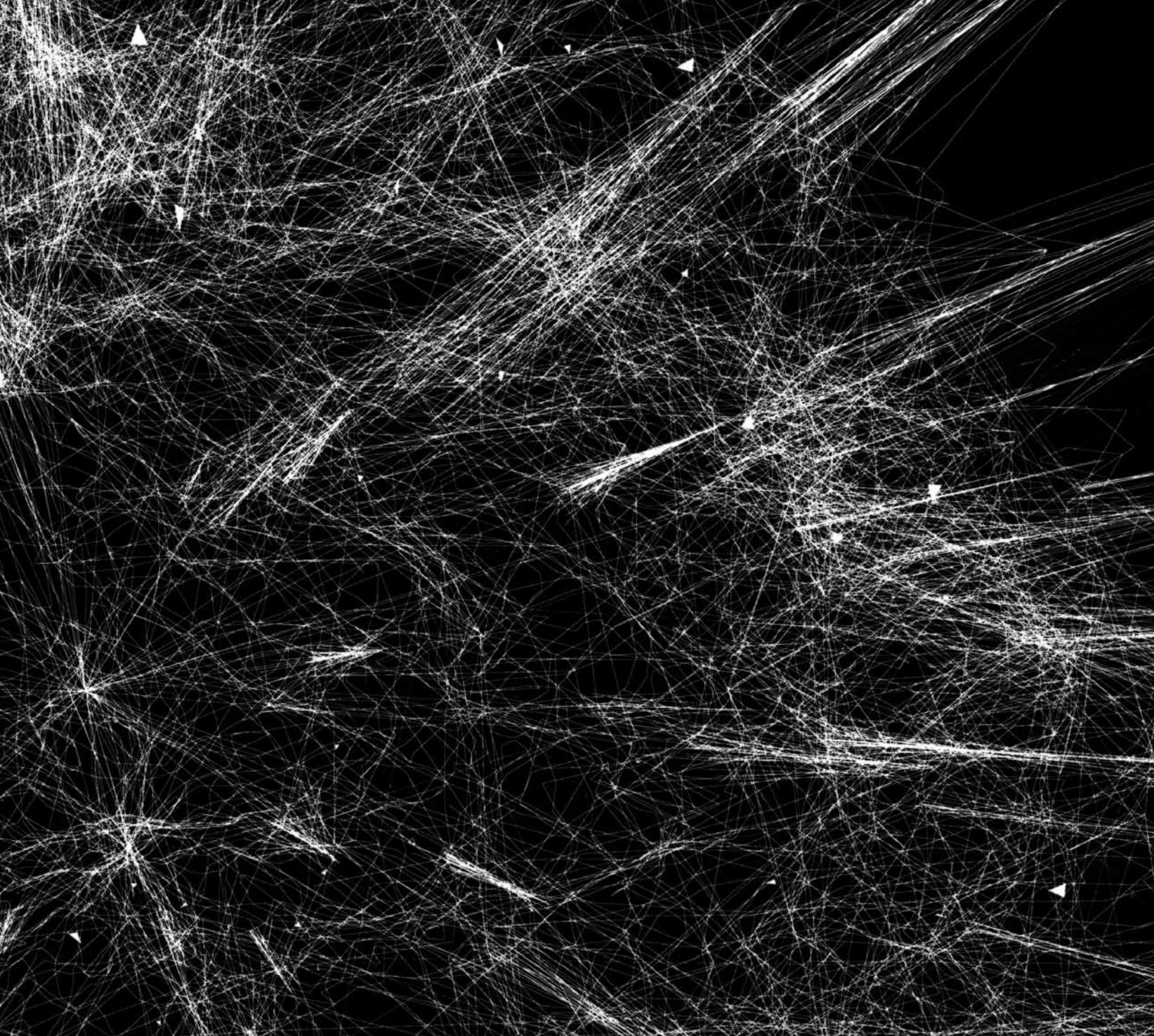
2) *uunniivveerrssee.net* is not a finite world but a cosmogony of possibilities, computationally generated on digital foundations with various (32-bit and 64-bit) extensions. In this case, sentences like “I went to see André’s exhibition”, or “I liked Siers’s installations”, are incomplete and describe only the memory of a highly incomplete and ephemeral perception of the potential reality inscribed in the works of art on offer, the apprehension of which actually requires the apparently infinite time of games.

3) the creatures imprinted and taken from the digital world of possibilities inscribed or unleashed by human-machine interaction — a game, individual or collective, whether aleatory or built, shared, or simply an accumulation of possibilities — are the

perceptive, sensorial and physical proof of a real emergence that is therefore much nearer to us than the merely fictional or simply virtual worlds of the pre-history of generative and cognitive art in general.

May 2011





U U N R I I V V E E R R S S E E . N E T

André Sier

uunniivveerrssee.net é uma série de código, objectos, instalações em torno de conceitos cosmogónicos, aplicando novas tecnologias na criação de várias peças originais e inéditas dispostas em diálogo com os visitantes do Museu de São Roque. As peças são interactivas, respondendo e evoluindo de acordo com acções espoletadas pelos visitantes, no museu e na rede. As peças activam código online, e o código interfere com as peças in situ no museu. Os visitantes físicos experimentam umas peças, os visitantes online experimentam outras, ambas se interligam através da rede que dá título à exposição.

uunniivveerrssee refere-se a uma série de trabalhos artísticos em torno de uma simulação de crescimento universal genético, onde um universo abstracto evolui um único fio de simulação partilhável, iniciando-se do vazio para um conjunto de agrupamentos de espaço e raças, elementos galácticos e espécies de

agentes autónomos, que vivem, mutam e se expandem através do universo sintetizado. Toda esta proposta inicial de uunniivveerrssee para o Museu de São Roque segue o imaginário da criação da vida a partir da água e do vento, elementos naturais em combinação com acções humanas.

As peças assentam numa infra-estrutura de código, um edifício de regras, onde se gera, circula e se faz evoluir a informação criada pelos utilizadores das várias peças. A síntese que se opera tem por alicerces algoritmos de combinação genética onde parâmetros induzidos pelas pessoas engendram as combinações e regras de evolução. Cada elemento que faz parte do uunniivveerrssoo apresenta uma constituição de genes, onde cada gene determina o comportamento de um parâmetro do algoritmo. Os planetas, as raças de agentes autónomos, os elementos geométricos que constituem o espaço possuem como elemento base uma matriz

de números fraccionários que controla a forma como um braço se desenvolve, a velocidade máxima de deslocação, os objectivos e o número de elementos, o comportamento face a outros elementos; a forma dos planetas, as suas distribuições espaciais e recursos disponíveis são resultado do confronto do utilizador com os algoritmos físicos e de fluidos desenvolvidos especificamente para esta série.

Sendo uma cosmogonia virtual actualizada através de interfaces artísticas, uunniivveerrssee é uma série de trabalhos que comprehende vários níveis de visualização e interacção. As famílias destes níveis onde os trabalhos foram concebidos distribuem-se em três regiões: meta-níveis de observação e metáfora, níveis de geração de conteúdos distribuidos, e o plano da actualização da simulação. Dentro da primeira região, em Mathx de 2010, navega-se sobre a rede de símbolos gerados de planetas, raças e informações espaciais, algoritmicas; Δ de 2009 apresenta um meta-espaco piramidal povoado de operações matemáticas e planos de retro-alimentação vídeo e input em tempo-real; 7000 de 2011 apresenta um painel de controlo interactivo distribuído em vários computadores e ecrãs indicando e manipulando dados de controlo da simulação; apex (- pyramid) de 2011 e apex (+ pyramid) de 2010, es-culturas piramidais sensíveis ao toque e modificações na rede. Em Eer (2010-11) o utilizador é convidado a errar pelo unniivveerrssoo, em espaços abstractos que juntam os vários utilizadores online, bem como dados das instalações 32-bit Wind Machine e 32-bit Difference Machine. Os meta-espacos em questão activam fisicamente dispositivos electrónicos localizados no apex do Museu. Não-Newtoniana (8x) de 2011 interage o movimento do espectador com a emissão de frequências em líquidos não-newtonianos, frequências essas relacionadas com as distâncias de 8 planetas de galáxias geradas na base de dados uunniivveerrssee.net, e com a proximidade do

utilizador. the great wall de 2011 projecta na fachada do museu elementos adquiridos das bases de dados de raças geradas de acordo com movimentos observados por câmaras frente à mesma. Na segunda região, encontramos as peças de toque e online uunnii-galáxias, uunnii-bichos, áutomo universal, todas de 2010- 11, onde se podem criar elementos e submetê-los para a base de dados mutante. A região de actualização da simulação tem na peça central uunniivveerrssee a combinação e evolução de todos os elementos da base de dados e onde o utilizador, através de instalações video-interactivas ou aplicações online, pode fazer evoluir o tempo universal da simulação, experimentando estados únicos e irrepetíveis deste sistema, modificando, mutando e evoluindo o universo.

5 de Maio 2011

U U N D I I V V E E R R S S E E . N E T

André Sier

uunniiveerrssee.net is a series of code, objects, and installations surrounding cosmogonic concepts, applying new technologies in order to create several original, previously unseen pieces arranged in dialogue with visitors to the Museum of São Roque. The pieces are interactive, responding and evolving according to actions triggered by visitors both to the Museum and on the Internet. The pieces activate online code, and the code interacts with the in situ pieces in the museum. The physical visitors experience some pieces while the online visitors experience others, and both interconnect through the network that provides the exhibition with its title.

uunniiveerrssee refers to a series of artistic works surrounding a simulation of universal genetic growth, where an abstract universe evolves a single, shared simulated thread, starting from the void to move towards a series of spatial and racial groupings, ga-

lactic elements and kinds of autonomous agents, who live, change and expand through the synthesised universe. The entire initial *uunniiveerrssee* proposal to the Museu de São Roque follows the imaginary of the creation of abstract life from water and wind, natural elements in combination with human actions and computer algorithms.

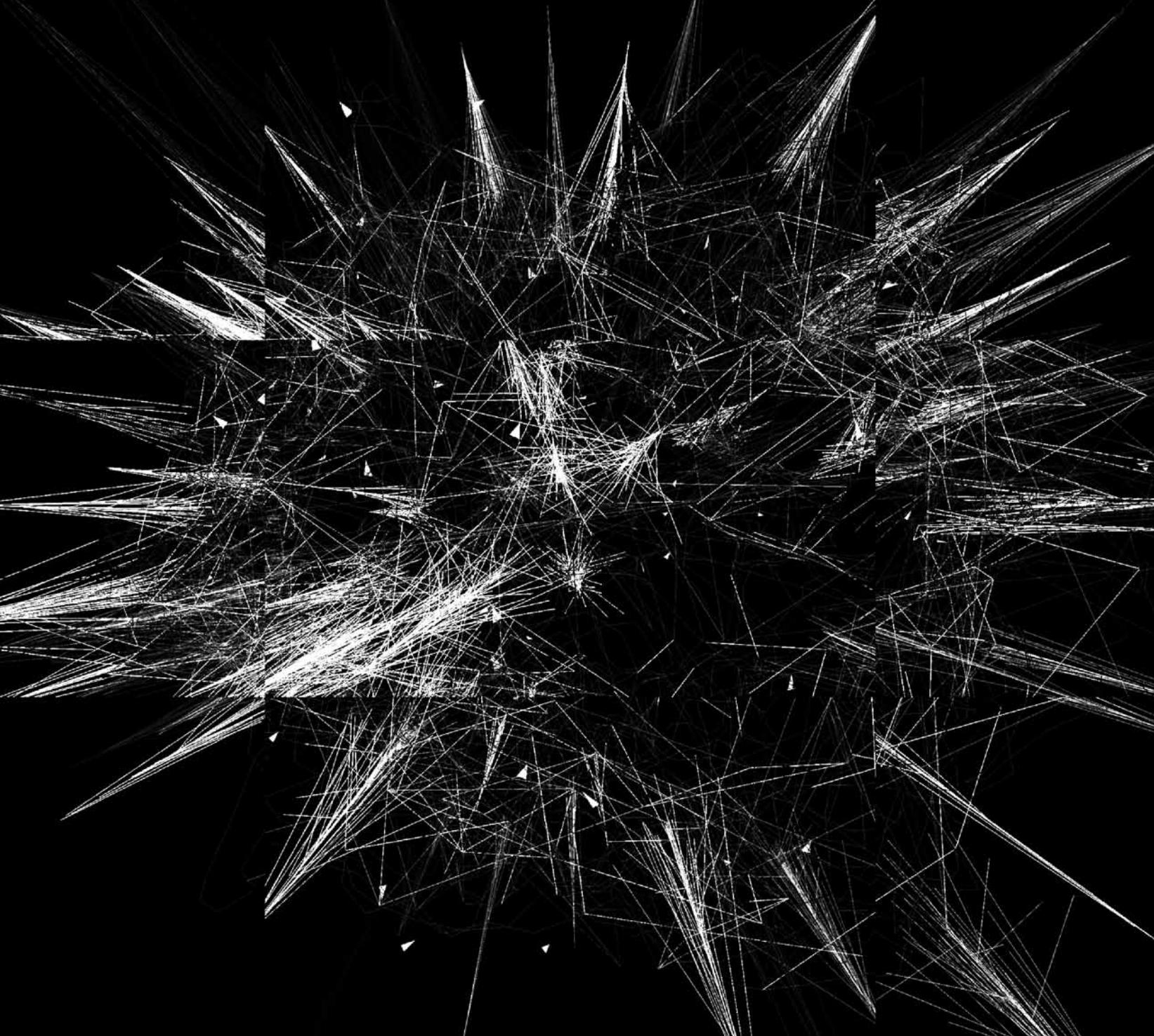
The pieces are based on an infrastructure of code, an edifice of rules, where the information created by the users of the various pieces is generated, circulated, and made to evolve. The synthesis that is at work involves algorithms of genetic combinations where parameters produced by people generate combinations and evolutionary rules. Each element that makes up the *uunniiveerrssee* presents a formation of genes, where each gene determines the behaviour of a parameter in the algorithm. The planets, races of autonomous agents, and geometric elements that make up the

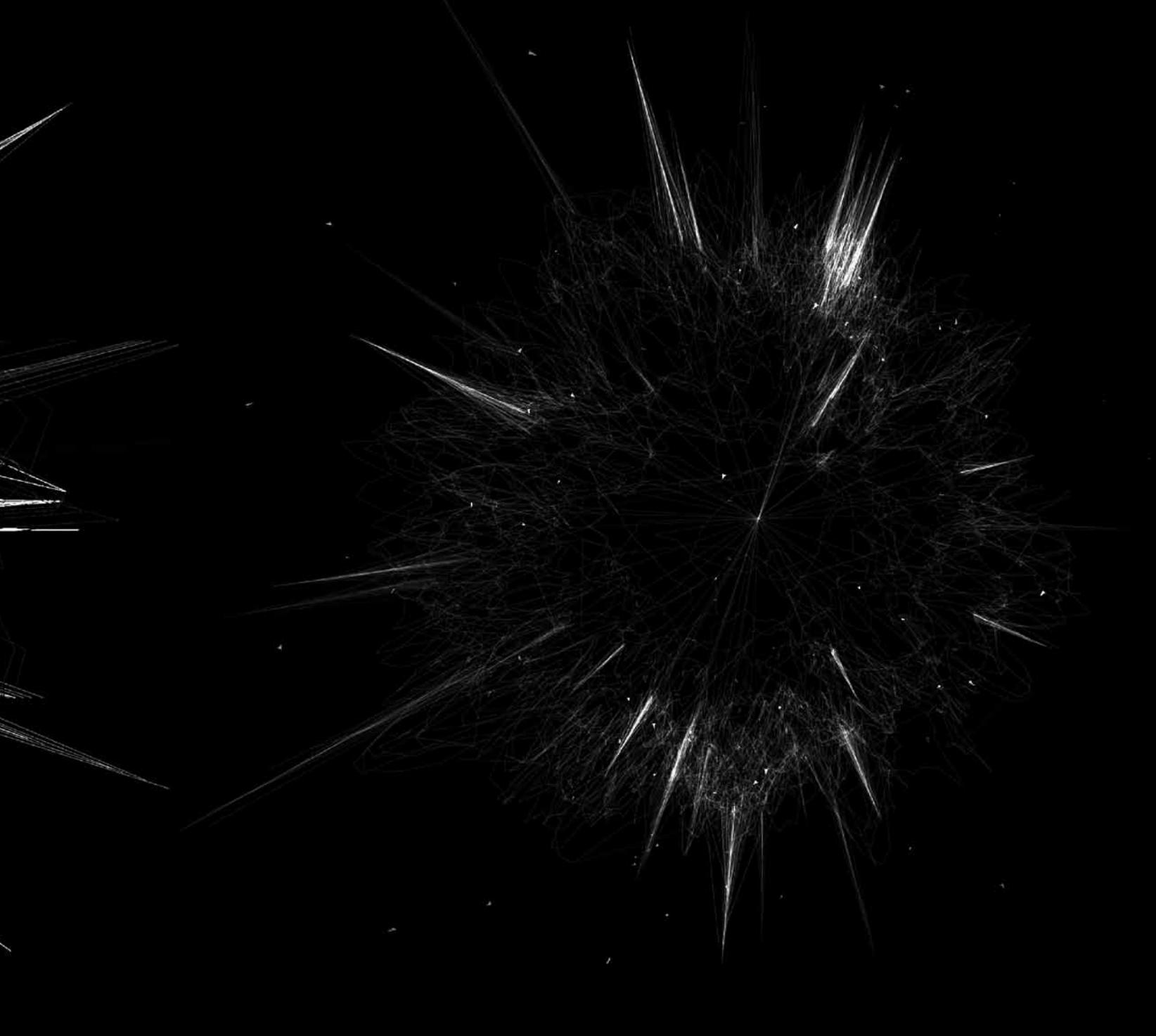
space possess, as a basic element, a matrix of fractional numbers which control the way in which one arm evolves, as well as its maximum moving speed, the targets, number of elements, and their behaviour towards other elements; the form of the planets, their spatial distribution and available resources are the result of the users' interaction with the physical and fluid algorithms developed specifically for this series.

Being a virtual cosmogony that is updated by means of artistic interfaces, *uunniivveerrssee* is a series of works that take in several levels of visualisation and interaction. The families of levels on which the works were conceived are distributed across three regions: meta-levels of observation and metaphor, levels of distributed content generation, and the plane on which the simulation is updated. Within the first region, in *Mathx* (2010), the user navigates around a network of symbols generated by planets, races and spatial, algorithmic information; *Δ* (2009) presents a pyramidal meta-space populated by mathematical operations and planes of video feedback and real-time input; *7000* (2011) presents an interactive control panel distributed across several computers and screens, indicating and manipulating the data by which the simulation is controlled; *apex (- pyramid)* (2011) and *apex (+ pyramid)* (2010) are pyramidal sculptures that are sensitive to the touch and to changes made to the network. In *Eer* (2010-11), the user is invited to wander around the *uunniivveerrssee* in abstract meta-spaces that gather the various online users, as well as data from the installations *32-bit Wind Machine* and *32-bit Difference Machine*. The meta-spaces in question physically activate electronic devices located in the *apex* at the Museum. *Non-Newtonian (8x)* (2011) causes the spectator's movements to interact with the emission of frequencies in non-Newtonian liquids, frequencies which are related to the proximity of the user and the distances of eight planets in gal-

axies created in the *uunniivveerrssee.net* database. *the great wall* (2011) projects onto the facade of the museum elements acquired from racial databases generated according to movements observed by cameras located opposite it. In the second region, we find the touch-sensitive and online pieces *uunnii-galaxias*, *uunnii-bichos*, *auto-mato universal* (all 2010-11), where elements can be created and submitted to the protean database. The region in which the simulation is updated includes, in the central piece *uunniivveerrssee*, the combination and evolution of all of the database elements. It is a region in which the user, by means of interactive video installations or online applications, can cause the universal time of the simulation to evolve, experimenting with unique and unrepeatable system states, modifying, mutating and evolving the universe.

5 May 2011





THE GREAT WALL
2011

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vídeo projector, webcam, lights with filters, computer, code







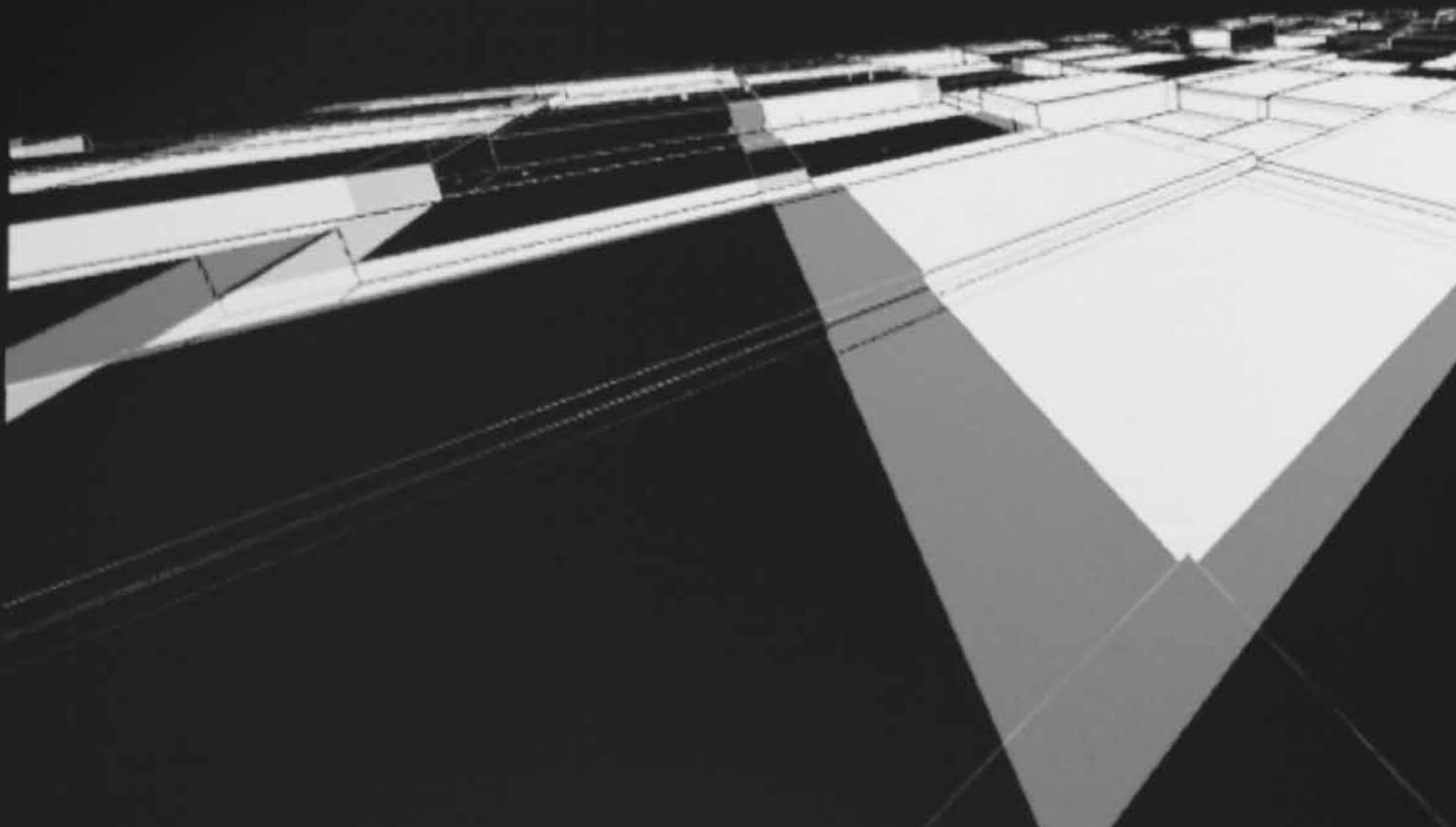
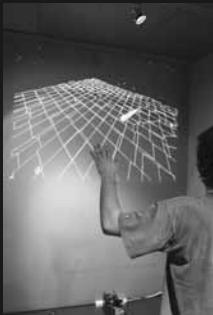
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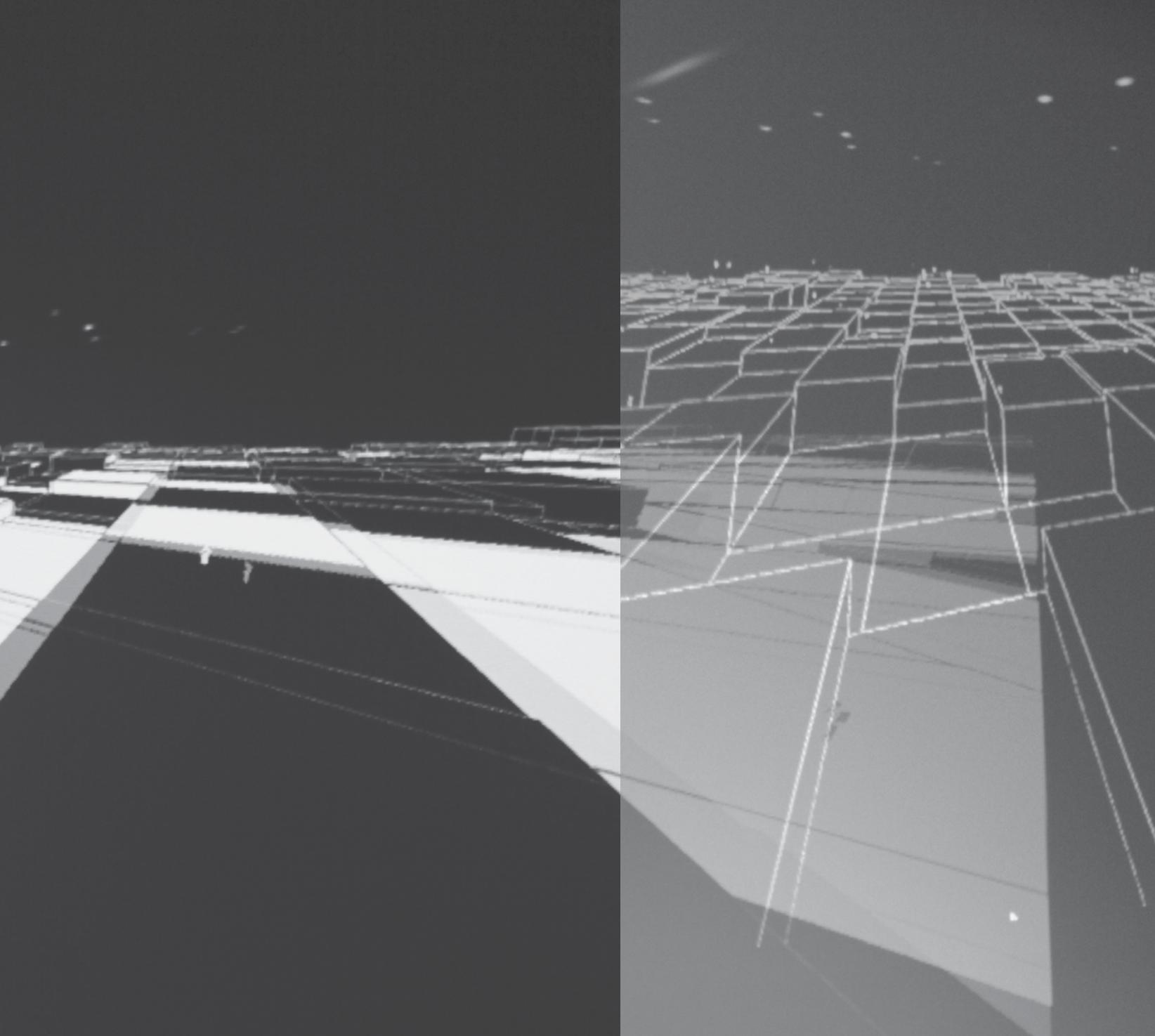
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screen, computer, webcam, audio interface, sound amplifier, modified speakers with trisupports, non-newtonian solution, cables







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tubos inox, colunas, lasers, ldr's, arduino, elásticos, espelhos, computador (uunnii-server)

dimensões aproximadas: 1.61x1.61x2.27m

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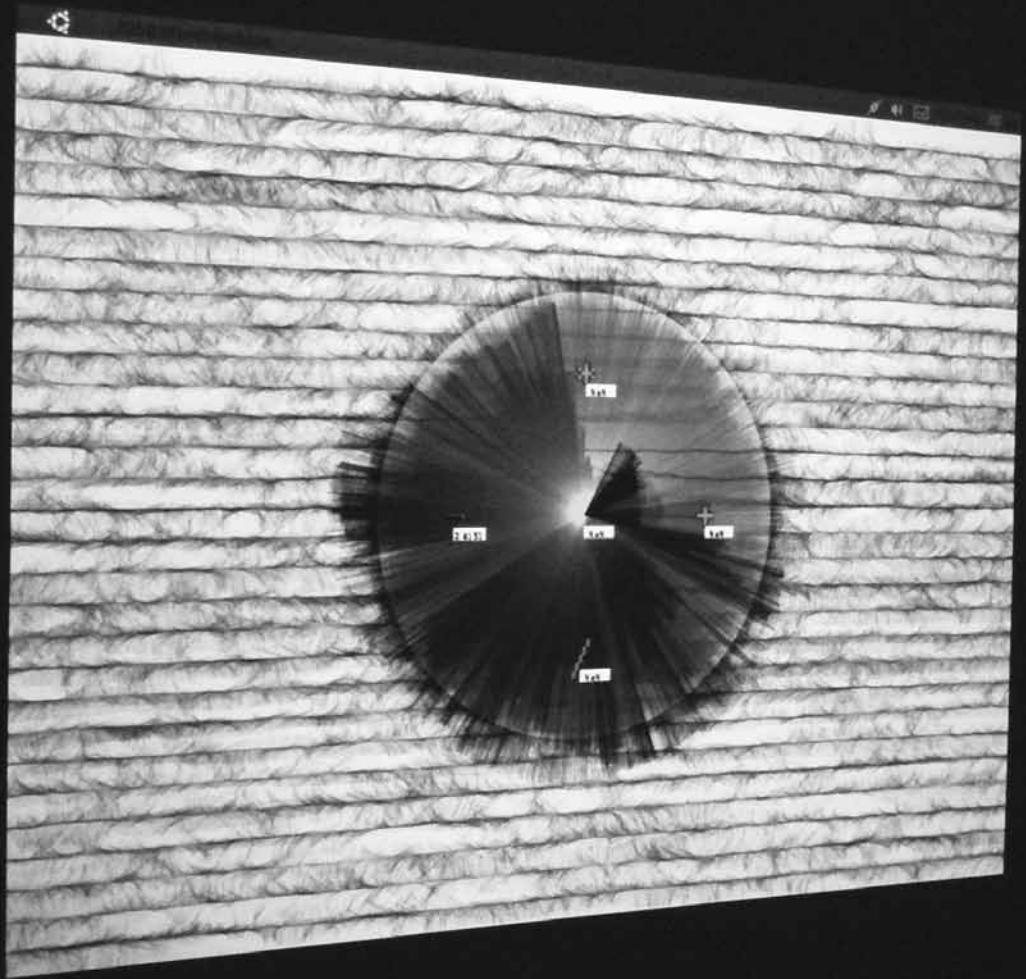


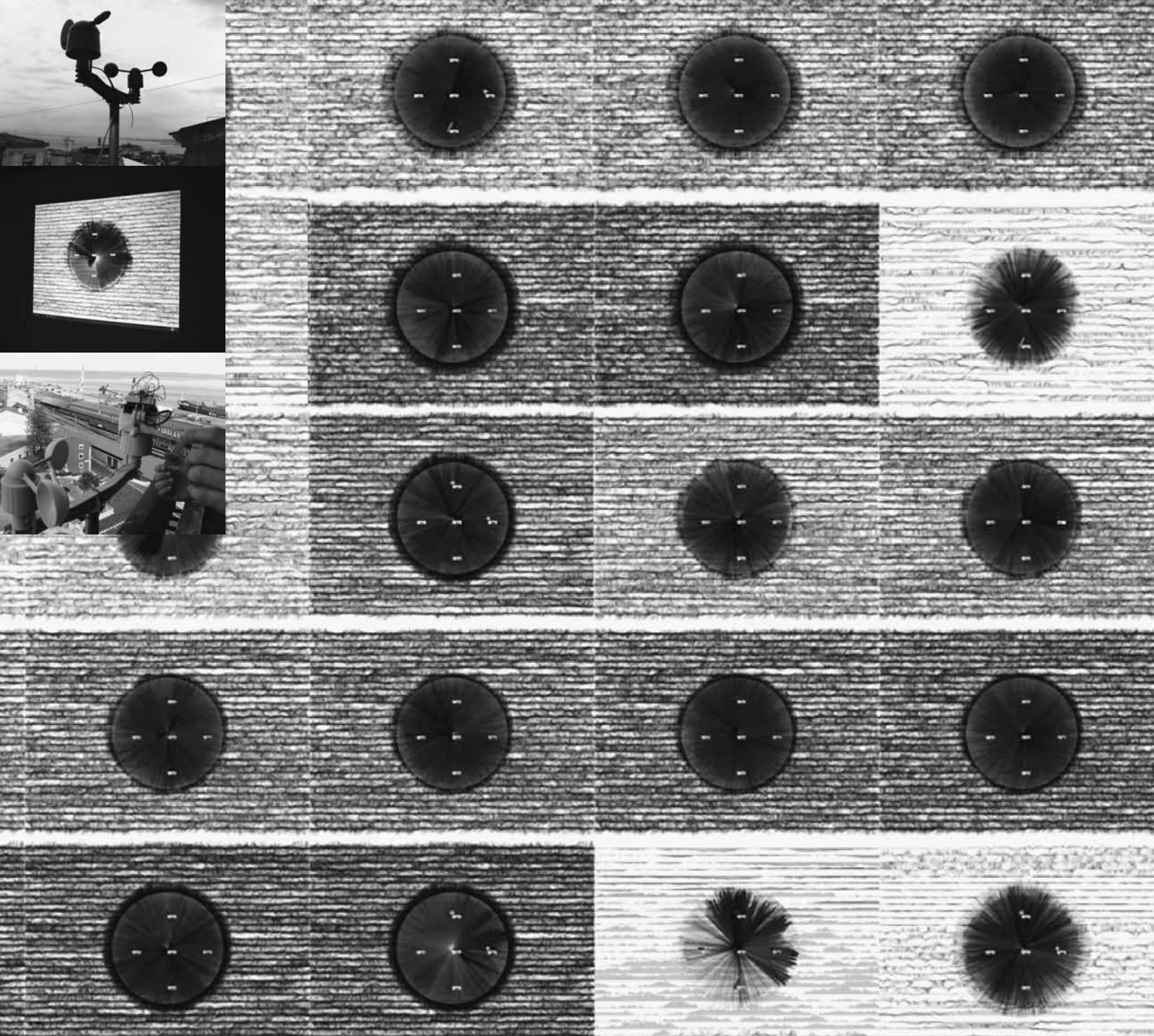


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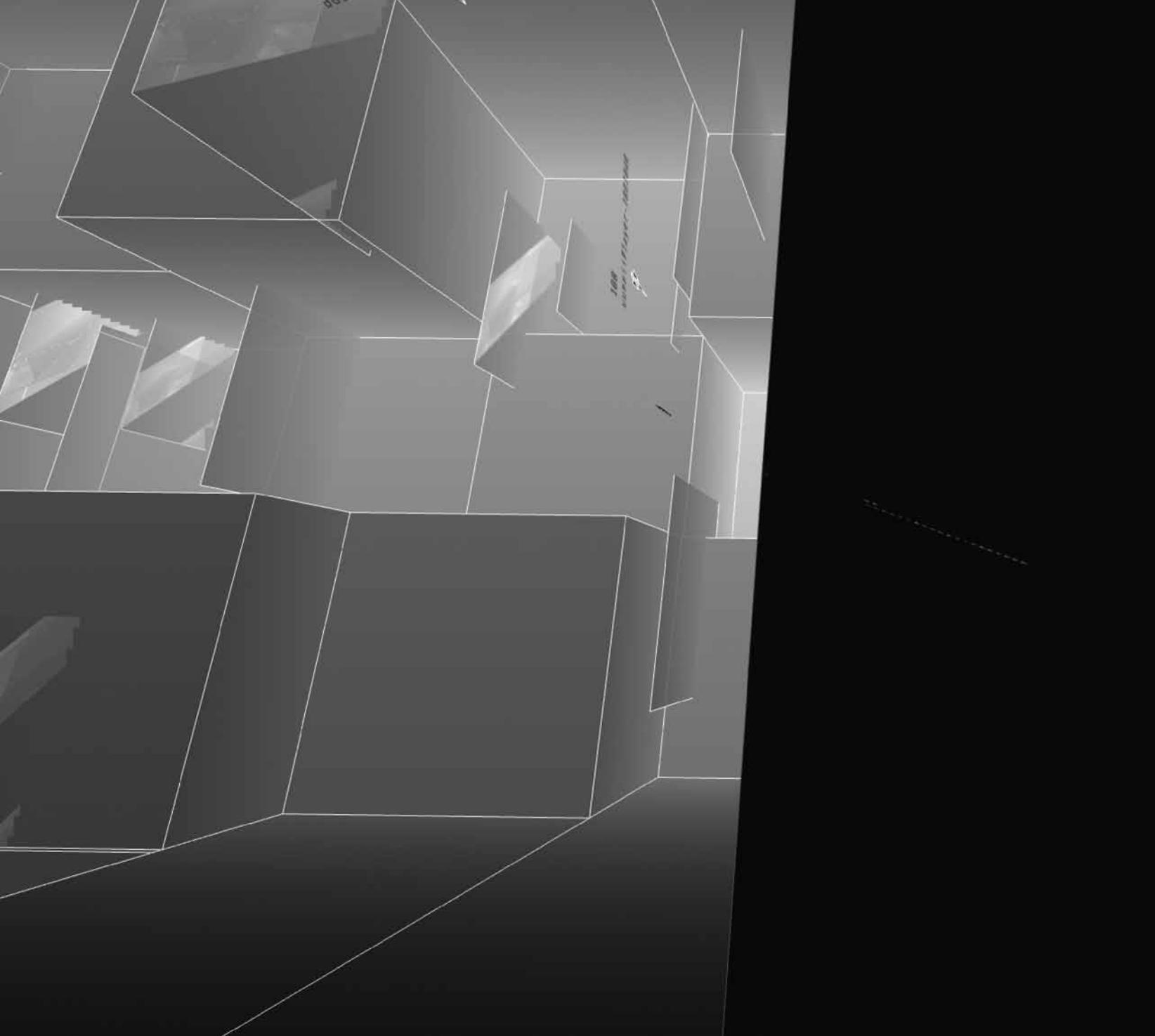
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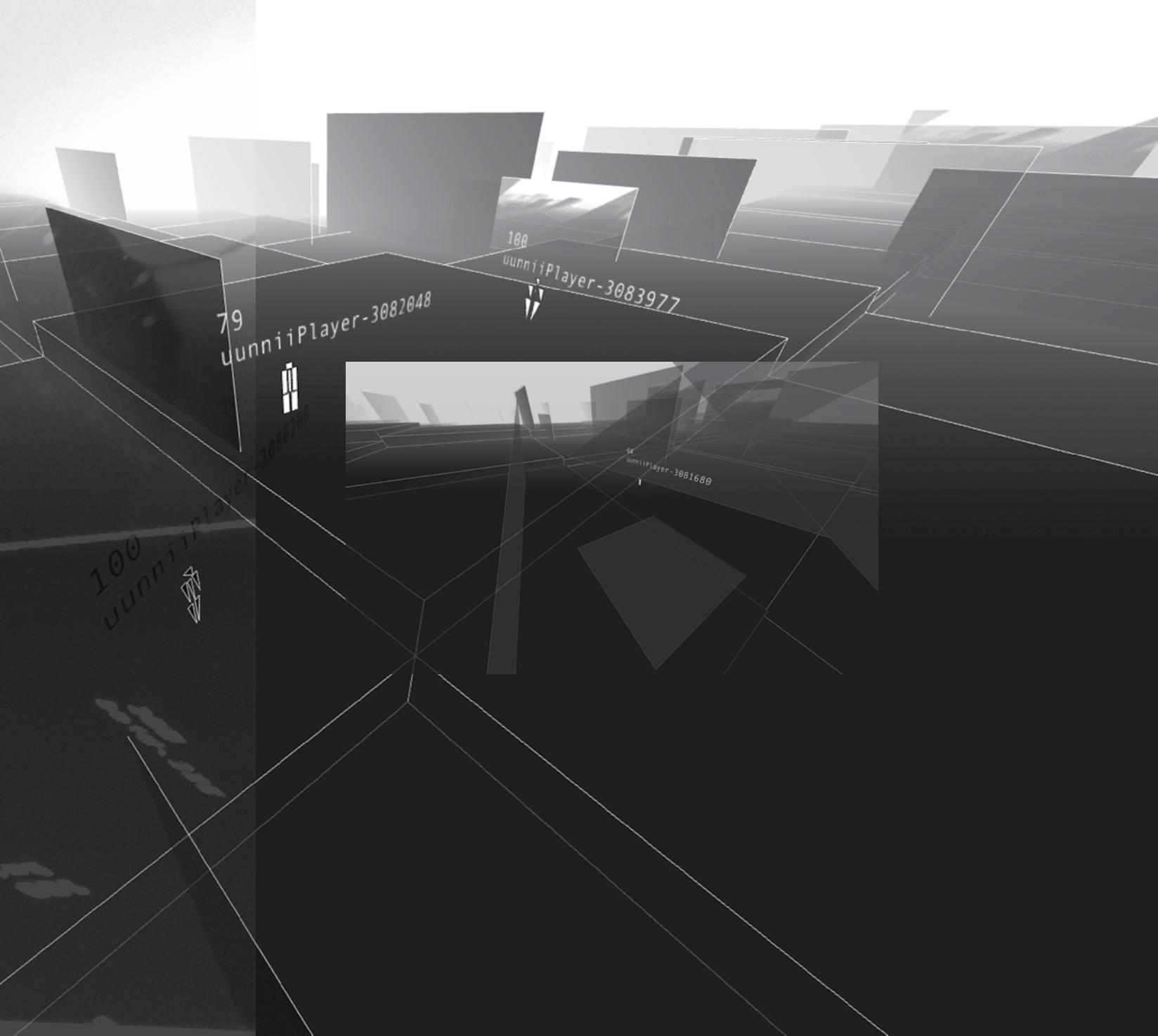
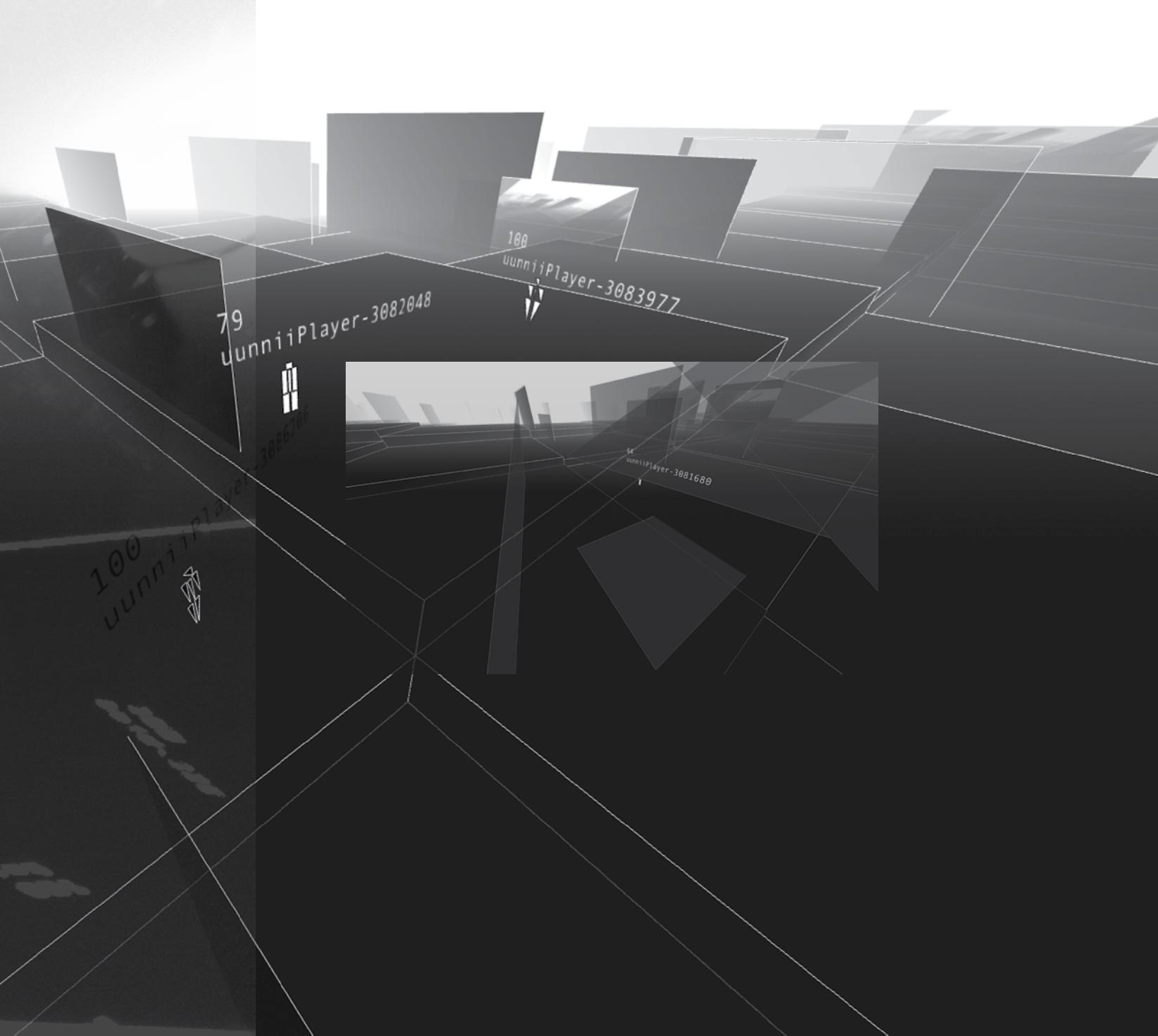
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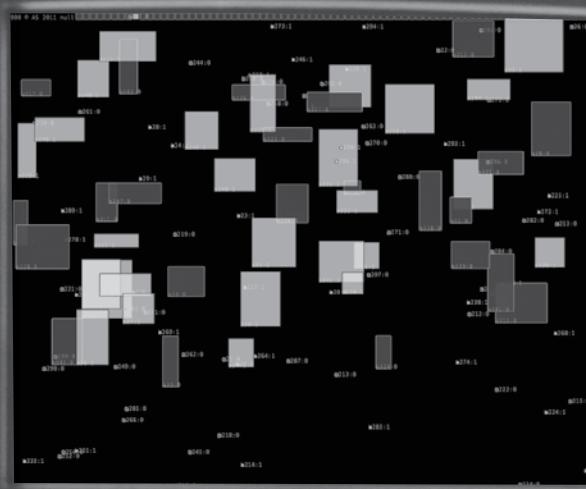
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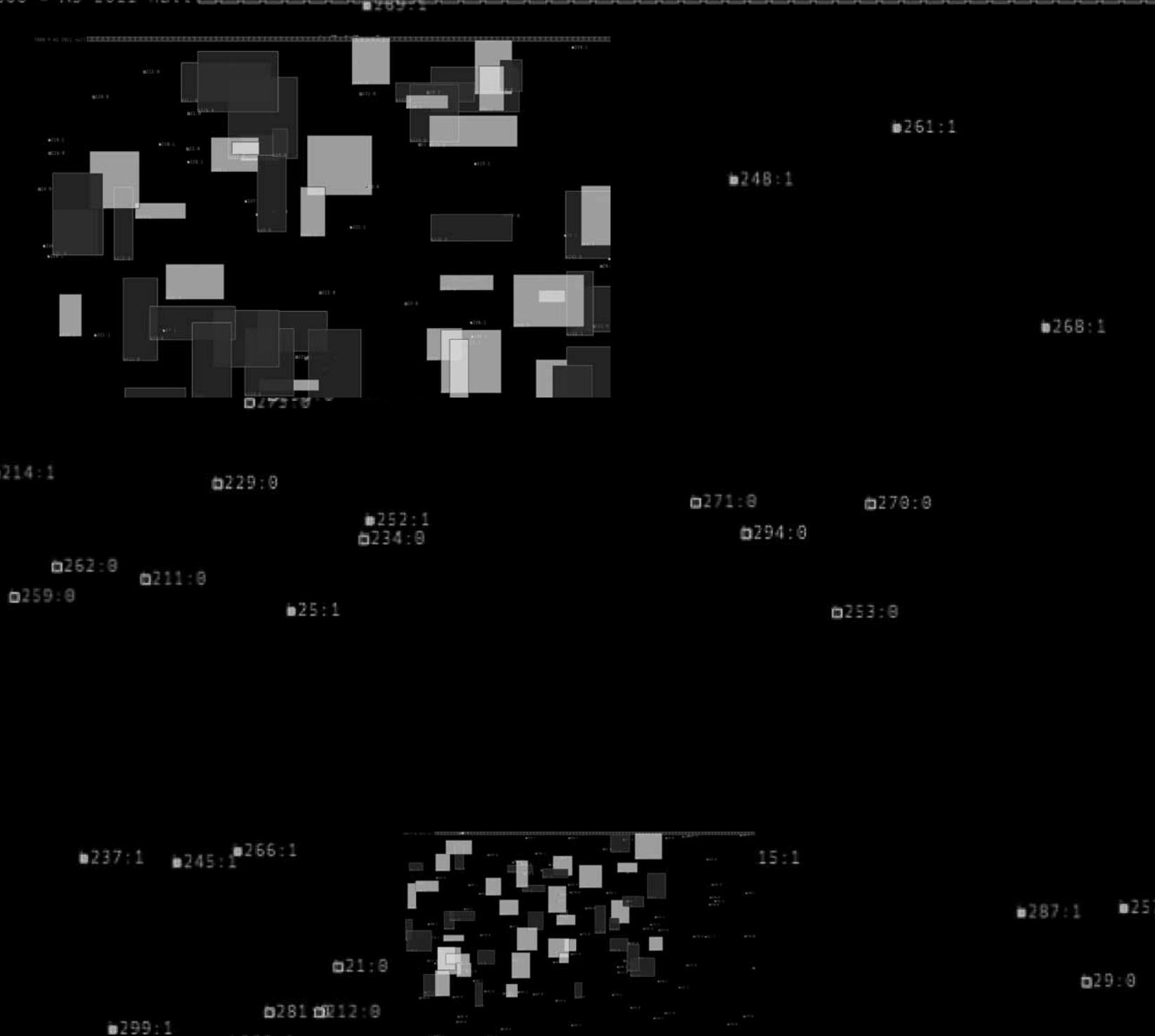
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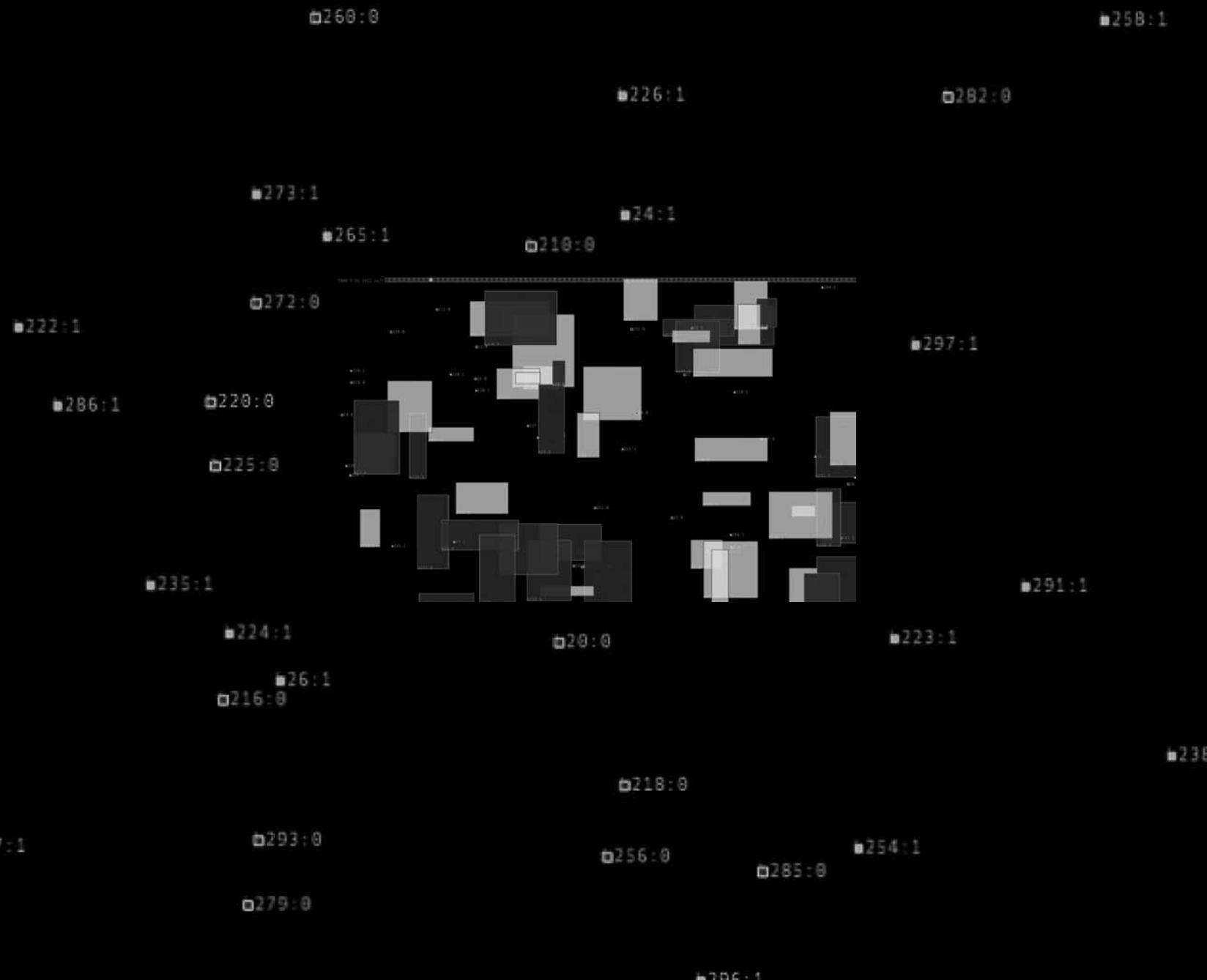
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2010-2011

computadores, ecrãs, router, microfone, cabos
computers, screens, router, microphone, cables







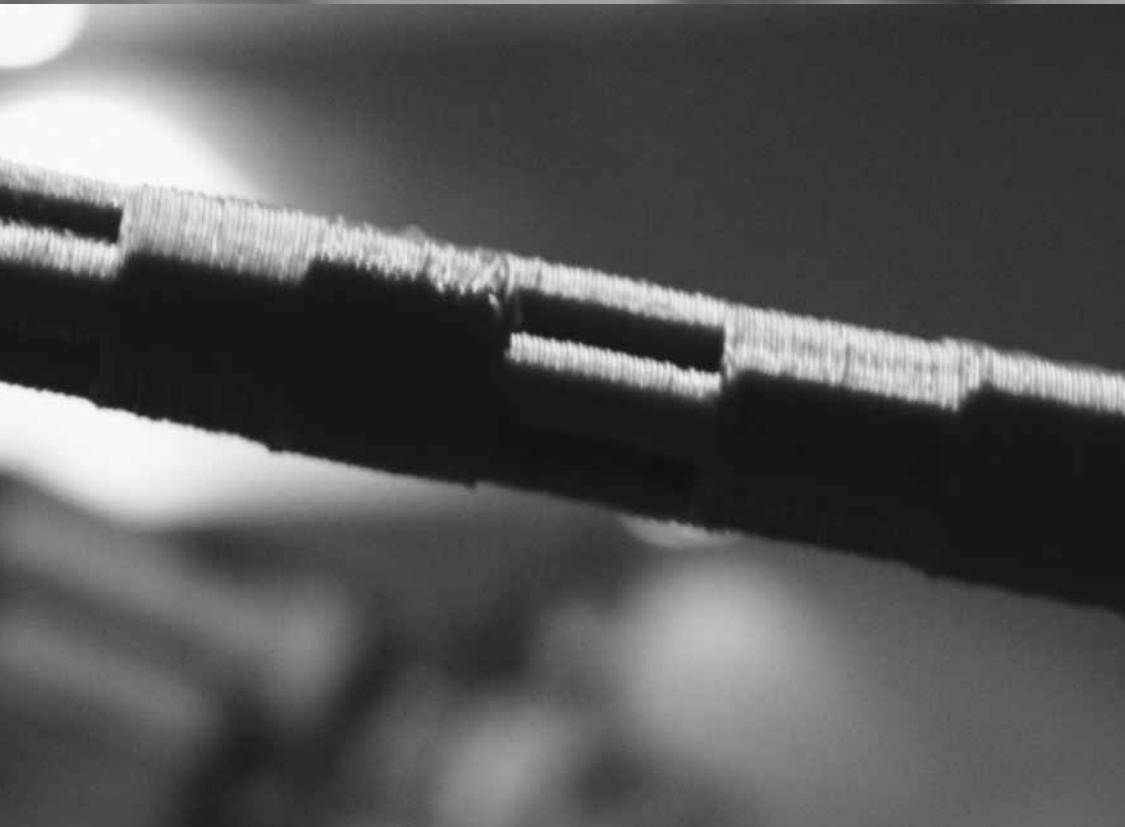
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sculptures in blue abs plastic, approximate dimensions: 5x5x21cm

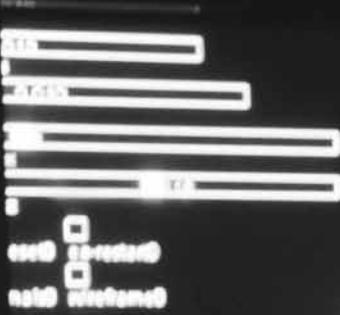






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computer, mouse, touchscreen, keys, code



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computador, rato, ecrã, toque, teclas, código
computer, mouse, touchscreen, keys, code







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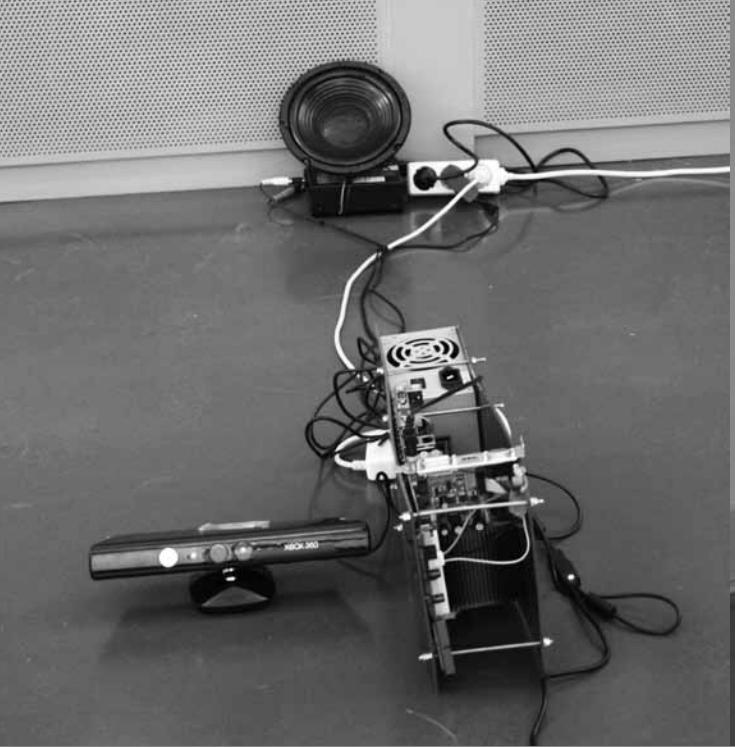
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mono-amplifier, woofer







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3 <script src="uunniisep2010.js" type="text/javascript"></script>
4 <style type="text/css">
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7 font-style: italic; background-color: #f0f0f0;
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10 </style>
11 </head>
12 <body onload="uunni();">
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17 var time = 0;
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19 var metatime = 500;
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21 var metadir = -2;
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23 var color = false;
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27 function uunni(){
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29     time = Math.floor(Math.random()*metatime) + 5;
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31     metatime+=metadir;
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33     if(metatime<10||metatime>1000)
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35         metadir = -metadir;
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37     color^=true;
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39     document.body.style.backgroundColor = color ? "#000000" : "#FFFFFF";
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41     setTimeout("uunni();",time);
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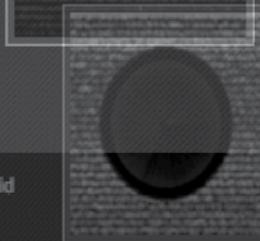
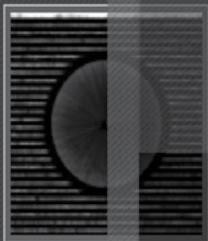
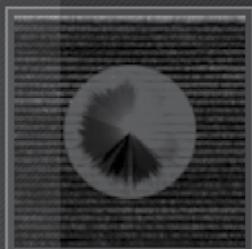
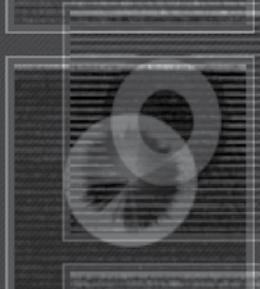
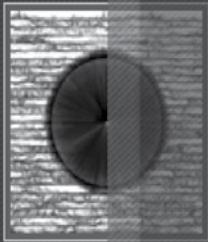
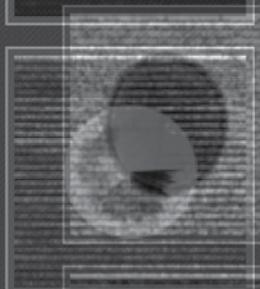
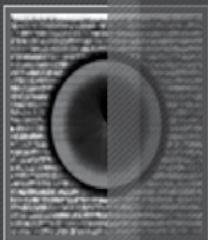


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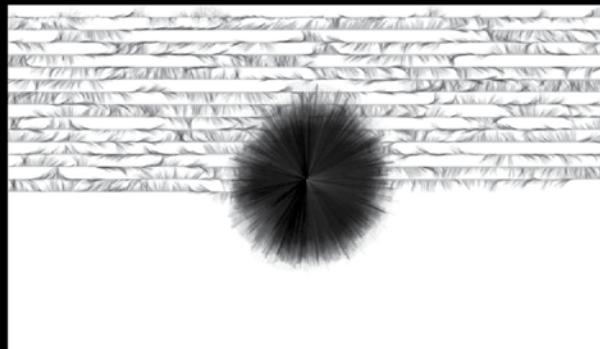
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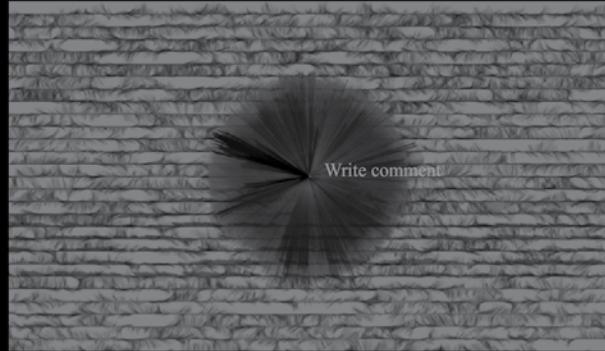
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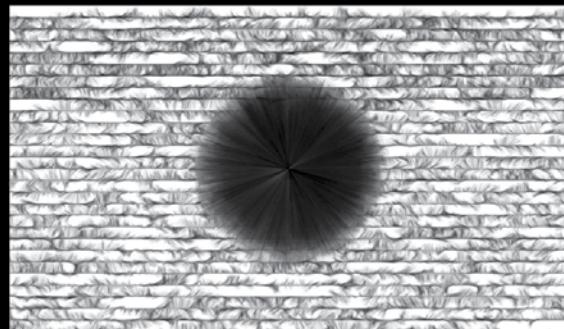


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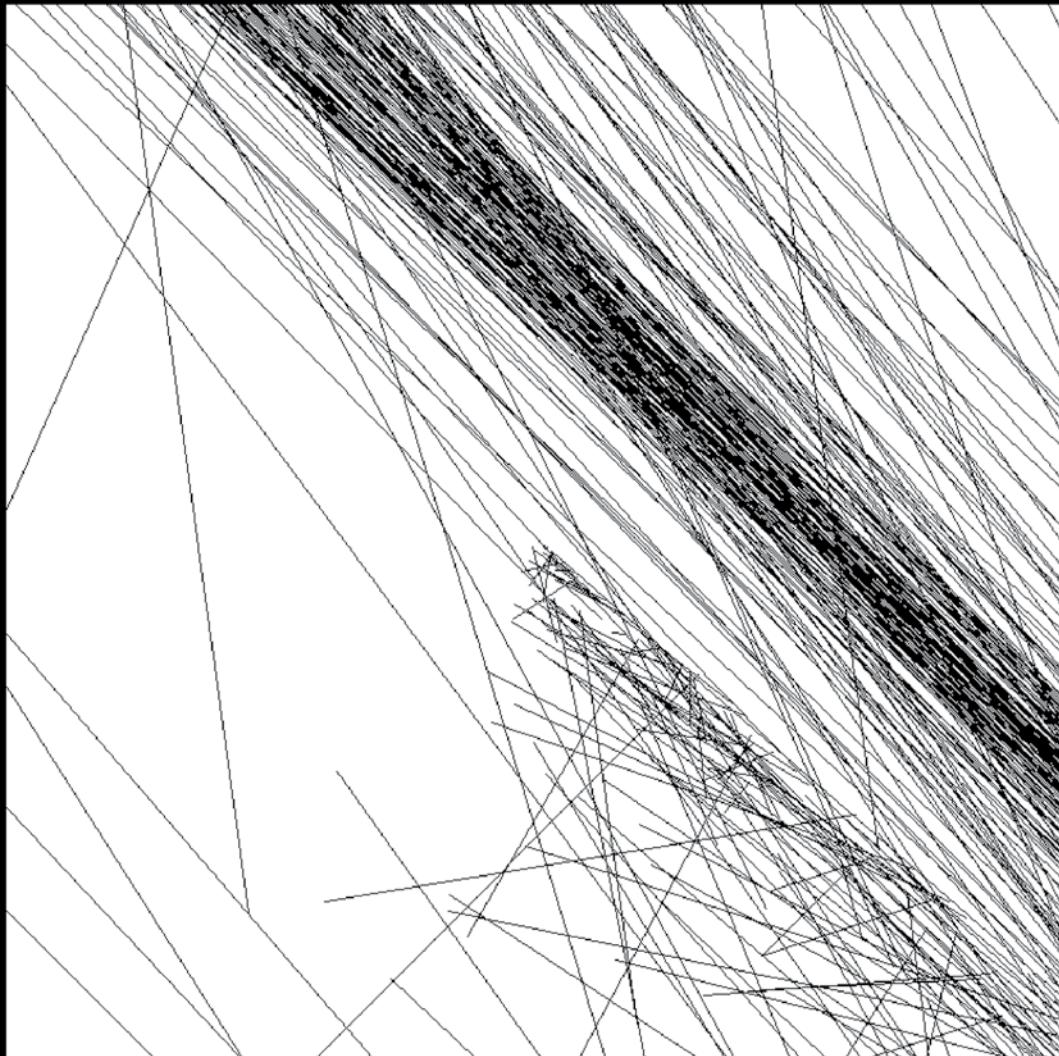
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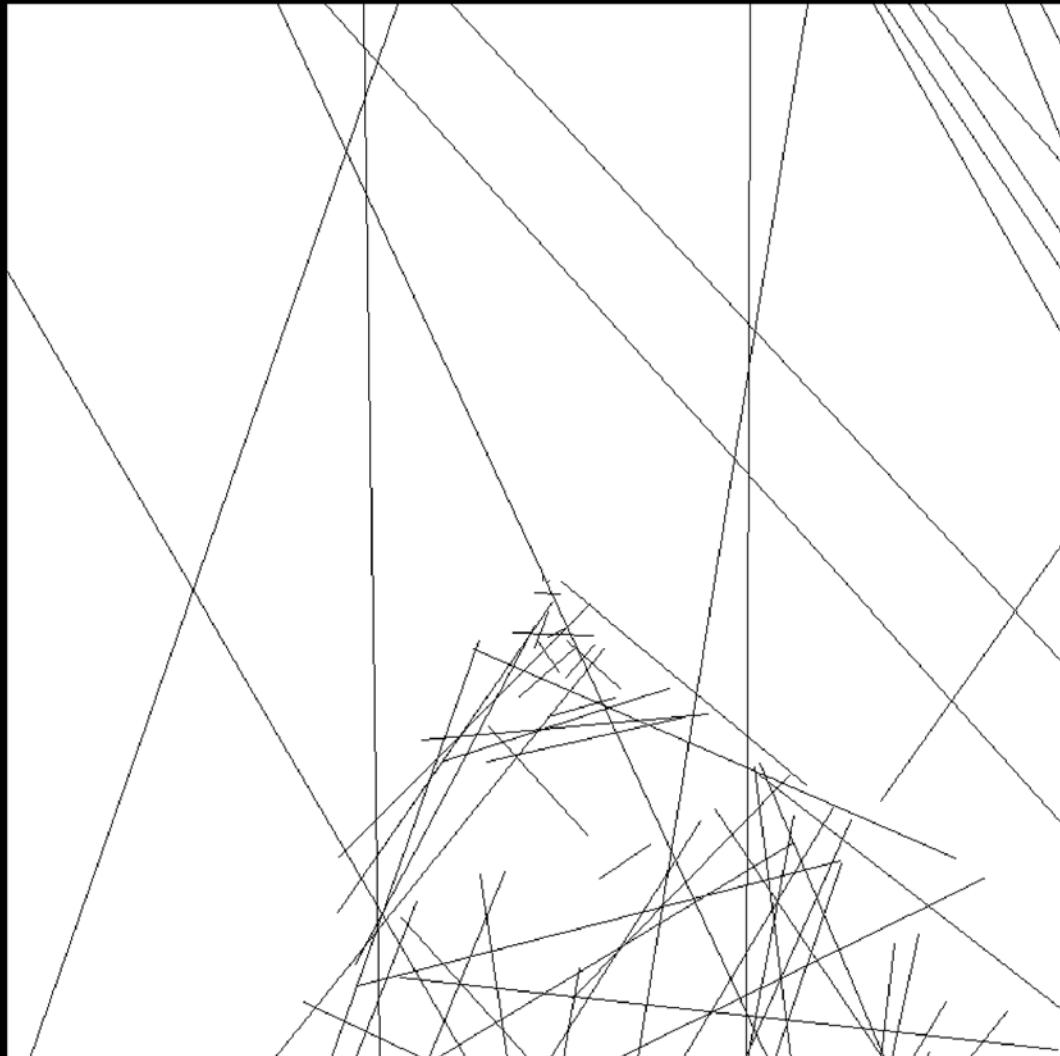
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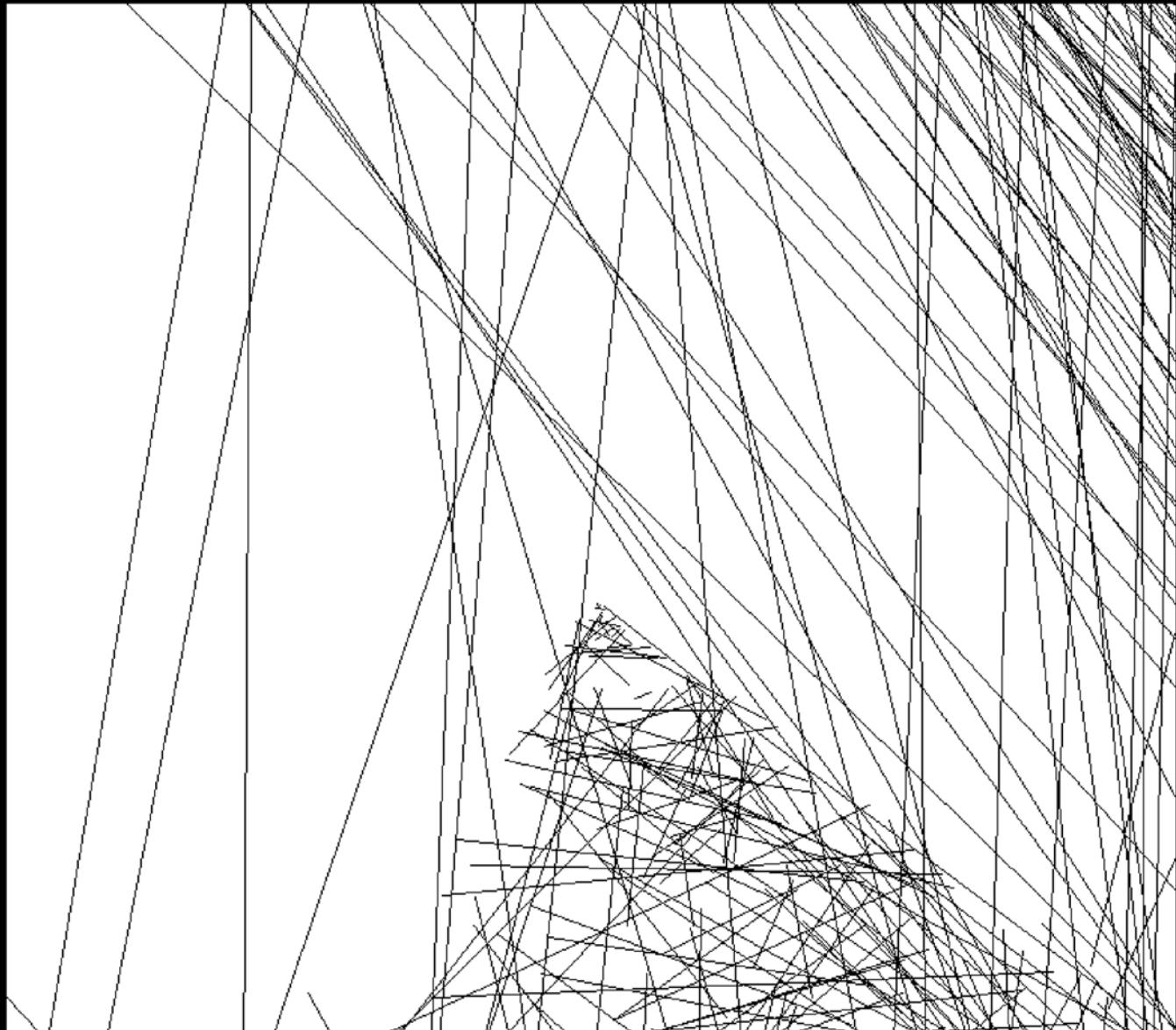
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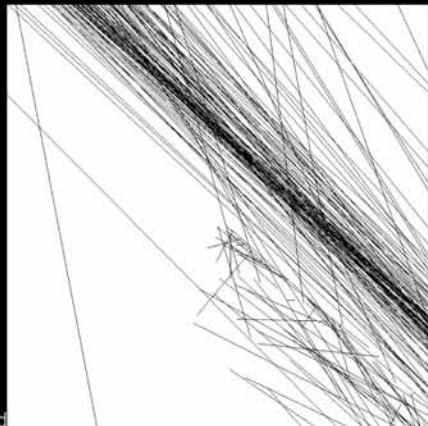
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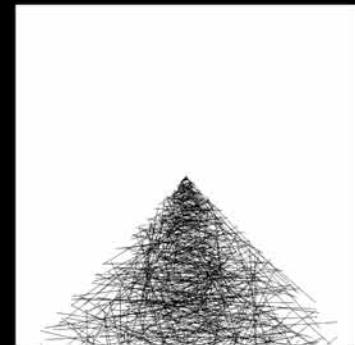
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    for(--m>0;a[m]=(int)random(7*m));
}

void draw(){
    background(255);
    camera(mouseX,7,t--,0,0,0,1,1,1);
    for(m=s;--m>3;line(a[m],a[m-2],a[m-1],a[m]));
}
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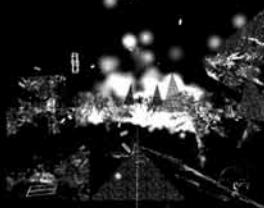
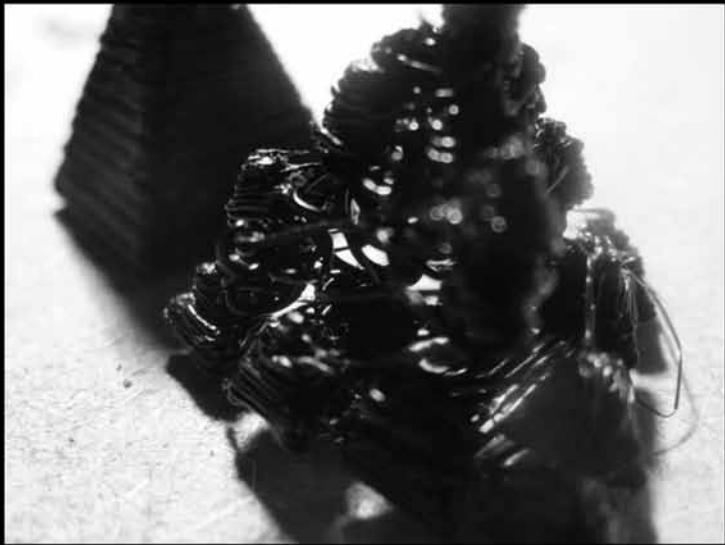
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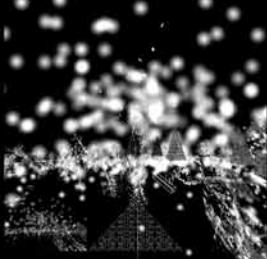
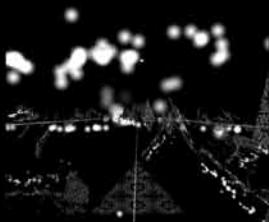
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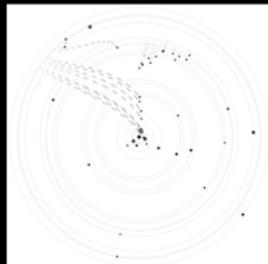
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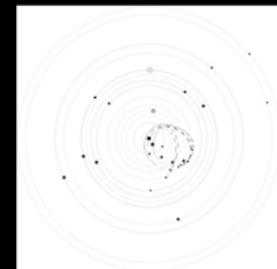
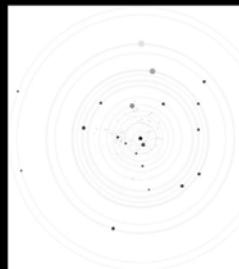
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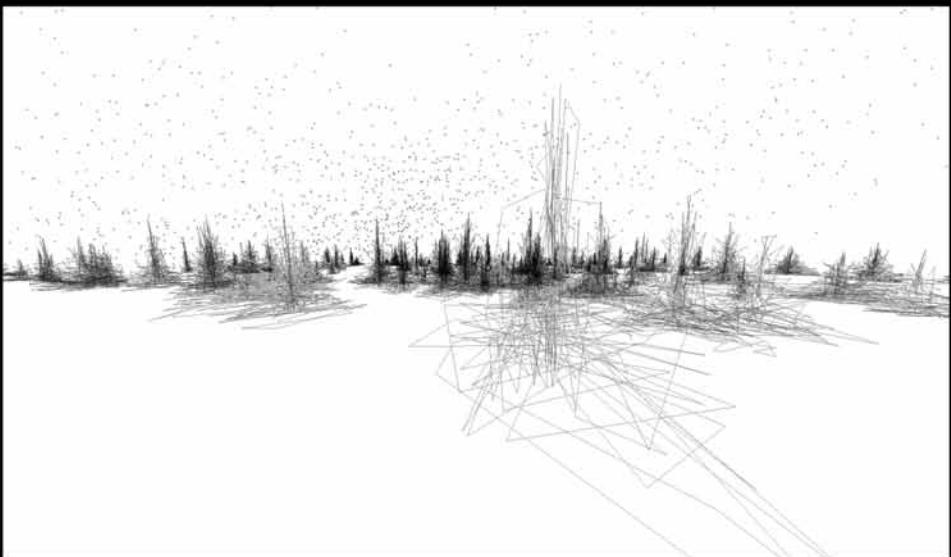
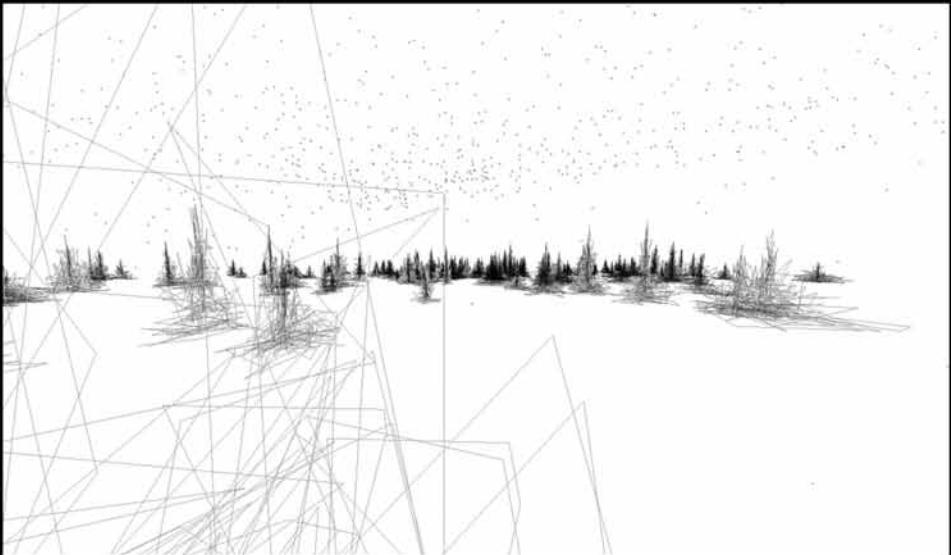
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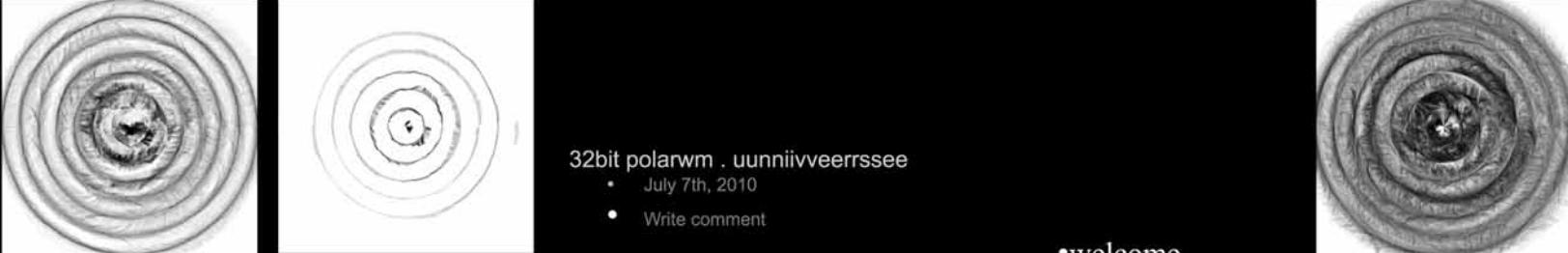
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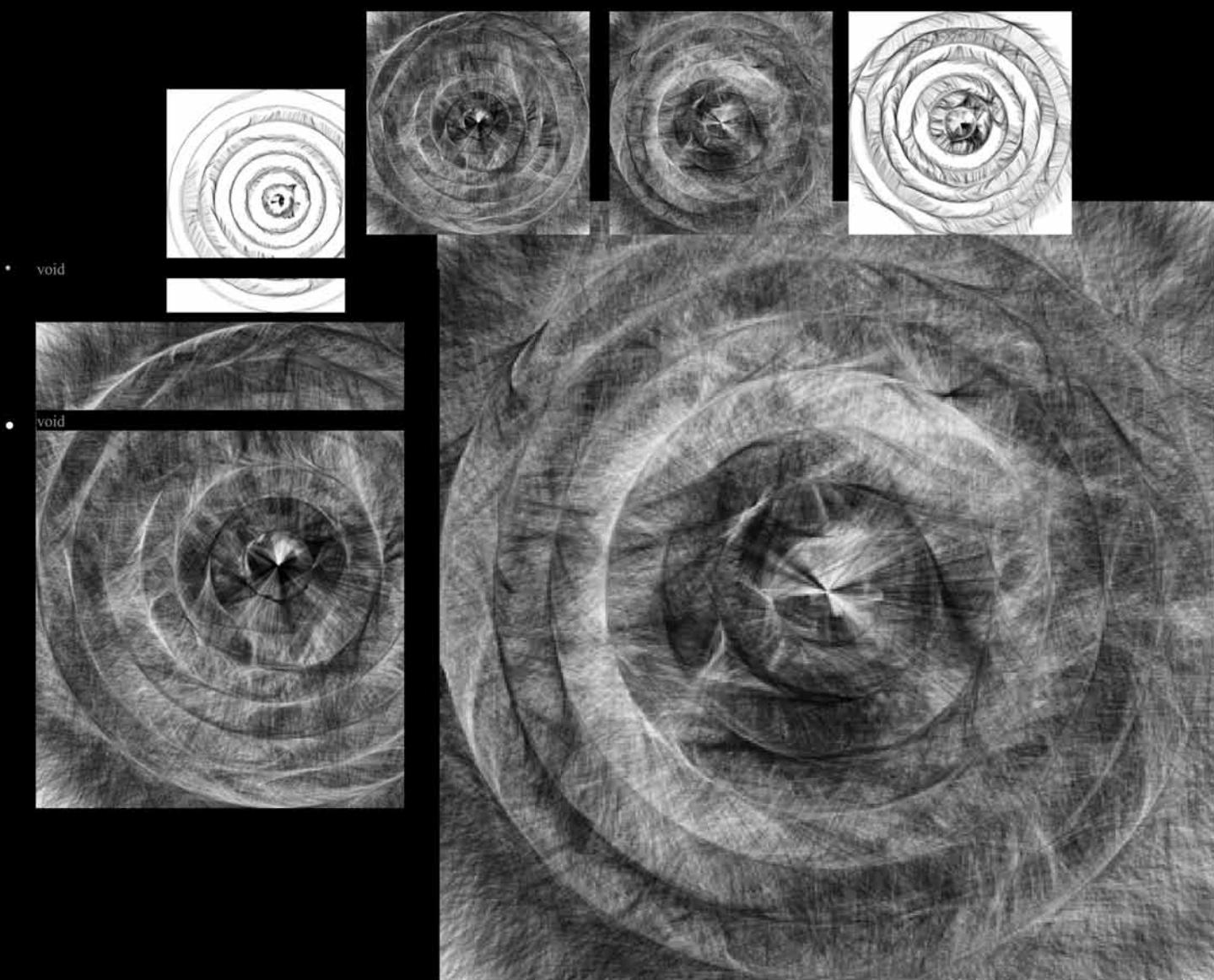




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André Sier

André Sier nasceu em Lisboa (1977) onde vive e trabalha como artista-programador de máquinas com formação interdisciplinar em pintura, escultura, música, sendo licenciado em filosofia. Produz peças dinâmicas em código, 3d, vídeo, som, electrónica, desenhos, entre outros meios. As peças recorrem a estruturas algorítmicas codificadas que ligam vários media. Ambientes unificados em procedimentos autónomos que se podem repetir indefinidamente, actualizando-se de diversas maneiras. A sua principal função: criar estados que se encontram programados em esquemas lógicos específicos, operar ligações estranhas no tempo e no espaço, circundar falhas lógicas, esculpir processos que se agrupam em máquinas instaladas em espaços ou nos seus resultados.

Destaca as séries struct, 747 , Corrida Espacial, k., uumniiveerrssee, trabalhos imersivos em espaços abstractos, muitas vezes usando dados de interacções site-specific a partir de microfones e câmaras, ou sintetizando experiências com matemáticas estocásticas, generativas e caóticas. Premiado na XV Bienal de Vila Nova de Cerveira com Interestrelar (2009), salienta igualmente a série k. iniciada

em 2007 na galeria net.art da Direcção Geral das Artes. Destaca as exposições individuais 747 na galeria Quadrum (Lisboa, 2002), Mapas e Dispositivos (Clareira) na agência de arte Vera Cortês (Lisboa, 2006), 747.3 na Plataforma Revólver (Lisboa, 2007), motion=snd na galeria Kapelica (Ljubljana, sl, 2009) e Ape-x na galeria nt (Lodz, pl, 2010), k. na Appleton Square (Lisboa, 2011), 64-bits na Who galeria (Lisboa, 2011). Participou em várias exposições colectivas, destacando 000 00000 000 no festival Scem Autor (teatro da trindade, lisboa, 2000), struct_0 em arte portugués contemporâneo / Argumentos de futuro / colección MEIAC (Fundación ICO, Madrid, es, 2001-2), struct_2 no Pavilhão 21-C do hospital Júlio de Matos (Lisboa, 2002), ankh no festival Música Viva no teatro Aberto (Lisboa, 2004), struct_1 em Meta.morfosis no MEIAC (Badajoz, es, 2006), struct_7 em Stream na galeria White Box (New York, us, 2007), struct_4 na XIII BJCEM (Bari, it, 2008), Space Race #2 em Viewpoint na galeria S&G (Berlim, 2008), Ascende no Junho das Artes (Óbidos, 2009), Δ no festival Olhares de Outono (Porto, 2009), k.~ na bienal internacional de arte contemporâneo ula (mérida, vz, 2010).

André Sier was born in Lisbon (1977) where lives and works as an artist-programmer of machines with interdisciplinary training in painting, sculpture, music, and a degree in philosophy. Produces dynamic pieces in code, 3D, video, sound, electronics, drawings, among other means. The pieces rely on algorithmic structures that connect various media. Environments unified into autonomous procedures that can be repeated indefinitely, updating itself in various ways. Its main function: to create states that are programmed in specific logical schemes, operate strange connections in time and space, circling logical flaws, sculpting processes that are grouped into machines installed in spaces or its results.

Highlights series struct, 747, Space Race, k., uunniivveerrssee, immersive work in abstract spaces, often using site-specific data interactions from microphones and cameras, or synthesizing experiences with stochastic, generative and chaotic mathematics. Awarded at the XV Biennial of Vila Nova de Cerveira with interstellar (2009), also notes the series k. started in 2007 in the net.art gallery from Direcção Geral das Artes. Highlights the individual exhibitions 747

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Comissário e consultor do MEIAC, Badajoz, (1996 -)

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Director da Quadrum, Lisboa (1998-2009)

Fundador e director da Aula do Risco, Lisboa (1994 -)

Crítico de arte do jornal Independente, Lisboa (1990-2000)

Crítico de arte da revista Kapa, Lisboa (1990-1993)

Director da Casa de Bocage, Setúbal (1982)

Estudou Arquitectura na Escola Superior de Belas Artes de Lisboa;

Pintura, com Regina Alexandre; e Filosofia, com Egídio Namorado.

Expõe, promove ou colabora em iniciativas artísticas diversas desde 1973.

Escreve e publica regularmente, desde 1979 (Diário Popular, Diário de Notícias, Expresso, O Independente, Kapa, As Escadas Não Têm Degraus).

Convidado para inúmeros colóquios e conferências, desde 1973.

Publicou os livros “O Lugar da Arte” e “Menos Arte”.

Desde 1994 vem focando a sua actividade crítica e criativa na metamorfose da “arte contemporânea” e respectivos contextos de recepção, difusão, conservação e circulação, sob o impacto das novas tecnologias de computação, comunicação e biotecnologia.

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