## **Curriculum Vitae**

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# I Career Summary

### I.A Education

2011 - 2014 **Doctor of Philosophy** 

Politecnico di Torino - Italy

Architecture and Building Design (March 2014)

Dissertation: "Computational Search in Architectural Design"

Advisors: Prof. Mario Sassone, Prof. Arianna Astolfi and Prof. Pierre-Alain Croset

Awarded the title of "Excellence" by examining board

2004 - 2007 Master's degree (Dual degree)

Politecnico di Torino - Italy Architecture and Construction

Thesis: "Architectural, Acoustic and Structural Form"

Advisors: Arch. Maarten Jansen, Prof. Mario Sassone and Prof. Arianna Astolfi

2000 - 2007 **Architecture Degree** (Dual degree)

Universidad Central de Venezuela - Venezuela

Architecture

Thesis: "Forma acustica, architettonica e strutturale"

Advisors: Arch. Maarten Jansen, Prof. Mario Sassone and Prof. Arianna Astolfi

2000 Summer design studio

Columbia University, United States of America

Introduction to Architecture summer course in New York City Design of a fine arts museum in the meat packing district

Advisor: Prof. Mojdeh Baratloo

## I.B Academic and Professional Experience

2019 - present **Assistant Professor** 

University of Washington Department of Architecture College of Built Environments

2014 - 2019 Post-doctoral researcher

ETH Zürich

Institute of Technology in Architecture

Block Research Group

2011 - 2014 PhD Student / Teaching Assistant

Politecnico di Torino

Department of Architecture and Design

2008 - 2014 Co-Founder / Lead Architect

TMS Arquitectura

Caracas - Venezuela & Turin - Italy

2007 - 2008 Architect / Project manager

Arquitectura Multimedia Caracas - Venezuela

2005 - 2007 Architectural Intern

Frlan+Jansen Architetti

Turin - Italy

## I.C Awards and Recognitions

2022 AIA Seattle Honors Award of Merit

With Vidhya Rajendran (UW) and Ryan Mullenix (NBBJ)

In the category "Research & Innovation"

2022 ARC Award 2022 - Swiss Architecture Award

Block Research Group - ETH Zürich

Awarded to the HiLo Research Unit in the category "Digitalization."

2021 Fast Company's Most Creative People

Selected for work on acoustic meta-materials with NBBJ and Vidhya Rajendran

2017 The Structural Awards 2017 - Shortlist The Institution of Structural Engineers - UK

Block Research Group - ETH Zürich

The Armadillo Vault was shortlisted in the categories of structural artistry and small

projects, receiving a commendation for the latter.

2016 **DETAIL Prize 2016** *DETAIL* magazine - DE

Block Research Group - ETH Zürich

Readers' Prize and acknowledgment in the category "Structures"

2008 Hangai Prize - IASS

Awarded by the International Association for Spatial and Shell Structures (IASS) to

young researchers for innovative papers

Awarded paper: Méndez Echenagucia, T. et al. (2008)

## I.D Professional Licensure and Certification

2011 - 2019 Ordine degli Architetti di Torino

Turin - Italy

2007 - present Colegio de Ingenieros de Venezuela\*

Caracas - Venezuela licensed as an Architect

<sup>\*</sup>Venezuelan architecture certification is awarded by the guild of engineers (Colegio de Ingenieros) to those who have obtained a five year degree in architecture from a certified architecture school without examination.

# II Research

# II.A Research topics

2020 - ongoing	Trade-offs in the embodied and operational emissions of mass-timber buildings
	University of Washington Studying the relationship between embodied and operational emissions in the early stages of design for mass-timber buildings.
2020 - ongoing	Vibro-acoustic design of mass timber-floor systems University of Washington Design of mass-timber floor systems reducing noise transmission between units
2019 - ongoing	Acoustic meta-materials for the built environment University of Washington Embedding resonant absorbers and ventilated sound barriers into building components Sample publication: Rajendran et al. (2020)
2019 - ongoing	Acoustic design of open offices University of Washington Use of parametric models and acoustic simulation in the design of open office spaces
2016 - 2020	<b>Sound scattering design tools</b> ETH Zürich, Politecnico di Torino, University of Washington Modeling methods for sound scattering surfaces in the early phase of design Sample publication: Shtrepi et al. (2020)
2016 - 2019	Cable-net and fabric formwork system ETH Zürich Lightweight and reusable formworks for concrete shells Sample publication: Méndez Echenagucia, T. et al. (2018)
2016 - 2019	Acoustic insulation through structural stiffness ETH Zürich, KU Leuven Vibro-acoustic optimization of vaulted concrete floor slabs Sample publication: Roozen et al. (2018)
2015 - 2019	Funicular floor system ETH Zürich Lightweight and unreinforced floor system with minimal environmental impact Sample publication: Block et al. (2017)
2014 - 2015	Acoustic design of funicular shell structures ETH Zürich Form-finding and acoustic optimization of compression only shells for concert auditoria Sample publication: Méndez Echenagucia, T. and Block (2015)

### 2011 - 2014 Multidisciplinary optimization in the early phase of Architectural Design

Politecnico di Torino

Use of search algorithms for the early phase of architectural design Sample publication: **Méndez Echenagucia**, **T.** et al. (2014)

### 2013 - 2015 **Building performance optimization**

Politecnico di Torino

Heating, Cooling and Lighting energy minimization for the early design phase

Sample publication: Méndez Echenagucia, T. et al. (2015)

### 2011 - 2014 Concert Hall Acoustics

Politecnico di Torino

Concert Hall design and optimization

Sample publication: Méndez Echenagucia, T. et al. (2014)

### 2009 Waste timber for construction

Instituto de Desarrollo experimental de la Construcción - FAU / UCV

Using waste timber materials for the production of structural and shading components

Sample publication: Méndez Echenagucia, T. (2010a)

### 2006 - 2007 Acoustic and structural optimization of shells

Politecnico di Torino

Folded plate concrete structures for concert auditoria

Sample publication: Méndez Echenagucia, T. et al. (2008)

## II.B Publications

### Peer-reviewed journals

**Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, Astolfi, A., Jansen, M., and Sassone, M. (2008). "Architectural acoustic and structural form." *Journal of the International Association for Shell and Spatial Structures*, 49(159):181–186. ISSN 1028365X.

Palma, M., Sarotto, M., **Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, Sassone, M., and Astolfi, A. (2014). "Sound strength driven parametric design of an acoustic shell in a free field environment." *Building Acoustics*, 21(1):31–42. ISSN 1351010X.

**Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, Sassone, M., Astolfi, A., Shtrepi, L., and Van der Harten, A. (2014). "EDT, C 80 and G driven auditorium design." *Building Acoustics*, 21(1):43–54.

**Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, Capozzoli, A., Cascone, Y., and Sassone, M. (2015). "The early design stage of a building envelope: Multi-objective search through heating, cooling and lighting energy performance analysis." *Applied Energy*, 154:577–591. ISSN 03062619.

- Block, P., Schlueter, A., Veenendaal, D., Bakker, J., Begle, M., Hischier, I., Hofer, J., Jayathissa, P., Maxwell, I., **Méndez Echenagucia, T.** and Nagy, Z., Pigram, D., Svetozarevic, B., Torsing, R., Verbeek, J., Willmann, A., and Lydon, G. (2017). "NEST HiLo: Investigating lightweight construction and adaptive energy systems." *Journal of Building Engineering*, 12:332–341.
- Roozen, N., Leclère, Q., Urbán, D., **Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, Block, P., Rychtárikovà, M., and Glorieux, C. (2018). "Assessment of the airborne sound insulation from mobility vibration measurements; a hybrid experimental numerical approach." *Journal of Sound and Vibration*, 432:680–698.
- **Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, Pigram, D., Liew, A., Mele, T.V., and Block, P. (2019). "A cablenet and fabric formwork system for the construction of concrete shells: Design, fabrication and construction of a full scale prototype." *Structures*, 18:72 82. ISSN 2352-0124. Advanced Manufacturing and Materials for Innovative Structural Design.
- Shtrepi, L., **Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, Badino, E., and Astolfi, A. (2020). "A performance-based optimization approach for diffusive surface topology design." *Building Acoustics*.
- López López, D., Roca, P., Liew, A., **Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, Van Mele, T., and Block, P. (2021). "A three-dimensional approach to the extended limit analysis of reinforced masonry." *Structures*. ISSN 2352-0124.
- Rajendran, V., Piacsek, A., and **Méndez Echenagucia, T.** (2022). "Design of broadband helmholtz resonator arrays using the radiation impedance method." *The Journal of the Acoustical Society of America*, 151(1):457–466.
- **Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, Moroseos, T., and Meek, C. (2023). "On the tradeoffs between embodied and operational carbon in building envelope design: The impact of local climates and energy grids." *Energy and Buildings*, 278:112589. ISSN 0378-7788.

### Peer-reviewed conferences with proceedings

- Sassone, M., **Méndez Echenagucia**, **T.**, and Pugnale, A. (2008). "On the interaction between architecture and engineering: the acoustic optimization of a reinforced concrete shell." In J. Abel and R. Cooke, editors, *Proceedings of the 6th International Conference on Computation of Shell and Spatial Structures IASS-IACM 2008: "Spanning Nano to Mega".*
- Méndez Echenagucia, T., Astolfi, A., Jansen, M., and Sassone, M. (2008). "Architectural, acoustic and structural form." In *The IASS-SLTE 2008 Symposium "Shell and Spatial Structures: New Materials and Technologies, New Designs and Innovations A Sustainable Approach to Architectural and Structural Design".*
- Méndez Echenagucia, T., Astolfi, A., Sassone, M., Shtrepi, L., and Van der Harten, A.

- (2012a). "Esplorazione Multi obiettivo nella progettazione acustica architettonica." In *Convegno nazionale AIA 2012*, pages 1–6. Rome.
- **Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, Pugnale, A., and Sassone, M. (2012b). "Multi-Objective Optimization of Concrete Shells." In P. Cruz, editor, *Structures and Architecture. Concepts, Application and Challenges*, pages 217–218. CRC Press/Balkema, Leiden.
- **Méndez Echenagucia, T.** and Sassone, M. (2012). "Multi-Objective Oriented Design of Shell Structures." In *IASS-APCS Symposium 2012: From Spatial Structures to Space Structures*, pages 1–7.
- Méndez Echenagucia, T., Sassone, M., Astolfi, A., and Croset, P.a. (2012c). "Multi-Objective Search in the Early Phase of Architectural Design." In P. Cruz, editor, *Structures and Architecture. Concepts, Application and Challenges*, pages 341–342. CRC Press/Balkema, Leiden.
- Palma, M., Sarotto, M., **Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, Sassone, M., and Astolfi, A. (2013). "Sound strength driven parametric design of an acoustic shell in a free field environment." In *International Symposium on Room Acoustics 2013*, pages 1–10. ISSN 1351010X.
- **Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, Astolfi, A., Sassone, M., Shtrepi, L., and Harten, A.V.D. (2013a). "NURBS and Mesh geometry in Room Acoustic Ray-tracing Simulation." In *AIA-DAGA* 2013 Conference on Acoustics, pages 1–4. Merano.
- **Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, Sassone, M., Astolfi, A., Shtrepi, L., and Van der Harten, A. (2013b). "Interactive Design Methods for Complex Curved Reflectors in Concert Halls." In *International Symposium on Room Acoustics 2013*, pages 1–10.
- Méndez Echenagucia, T., Sassone, M., Astolfi, A., Shtrepi, L., and Van der Harten, A. (2013c). "EDT, C 80 and G driven auditorium design." In *International Symposium on Room Acoustics 2013*, pages 1–10.
- Rajabzadeh, S., Sassone, M., **Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, Rosada, A., and Rian, I. (2014). "The BRICKSHELL Meditation Centre: A Collaborative Masonry Project." In *Proceedings of the IASS-SLTE 2014 Symposium "Shells, Membranes and Spatial Structures: Footprints"*, pages 1–10.
- **Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, Sassone, M., Astolfi, A., Shtrepi, L., and Van der Harten, A. (2014). "Multi-Objective Acoustic and Structural design of shell structures for concert halls." In *Proceedings of the IASS-SLTE 2014 Symposium "Shells, Membranes and Spatial Structures: Footprints"*, pages 1–12.
- **Méndez Echenagucia, T.** and Block, P. (2015). "Acoustic optimization of funicular shells." In *IASS 2015 Amsterdam Symposium: Future Visions*, pages 1–13.

- Rippmann, M., Van Mele, T., Popescu, M., Augustynowicz, E., **Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, Calvo Barentin, C., Frick, U., and Block, P. (2016). "The Armadillo Vault: Computational design and digital fabrication of a freeform stone shell." In *Advances in Architectural Geometry 2016*, pages 344–363.
- **Méndez Echenagucia, T.** and Roozen, B. and Block, P. (2016). "Minimization of sound radiation in doubly curved shell structures by means of stiffness." In *Proceedings of the International Association for Shell and Spatial Structures (IASS) Symposium 2016*. Tokyo, Japan.
- Van Mele, T., Mehrotra, A., **Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, Frick, U., Augustynowicz, E., Ochsendorf, J., DeJong, M., and Block, P. (2016). "Form finding and structural analysis of a freeform stone vault." In T.T. K. Kawaguchi M. Ohsaki, editor, *Proceedings of the International Association for Shell and Spatial Structures (IASS) Symposium 2016*. Tokyo, Japan.
- Méndez Echenagucia, T., Pigram, D., Liew, A., Van Mele, T., and Block, P. (2018). "Full-scale prototype of a cable-net and fabric formed concrete thin-shell roof." In *Proceedings of the IASS Symposium 2018*. Boston.
- Shtrepi, L., **Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, Badino, E., and Astolfi, A. (2019). "Optimizing diffusive surface topology through a performance-based design approach." In *Proceedings of the International Symposium on Room Acoustics*. Amsterdam.
- **Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, Shtrepi, L., Badino, E., and Astolfi, A. (2019). "Investigating the importance of geometrical accuracy in acoustic simulations: A comparison of NURBS and mesh-based approaches." In *Proceedings of the International Symposium on Room Acoustics*, Amsterdam.
- Bouvet, G., Shtrepi, L., Bo, E., **Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, and Astolfi, A. (2020). "Computational Design: Acoustic shells for Ancient Theatres." In *Forum Acusticum*. Lyon.

### Book chapters

- Filomeno Coelho, R., **Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, Pugnale, A., and Richardson, J.N. (2014). "Genetic algorithms for structural design." In S. Adriaenssens, P. Block, D. Veenendaal, and C. Williams, editors, *Shell Structures for Architecture Form finding and optimization*, chapter Apendix C, pages 290–294. Routledge, London.
- Pugnale, A., **Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, and Sassone, M. (2014). "Computational Morphogenesis Design of a free-form concrete shell." In S. Adrianssens, P. Block, D. Veenendaal, and C. Williams, editors, *Shell Structures for Architecture Form finding and optimization*, chapter 18, pages 224–236. Routledge, London.
- Hebel, D., Block, P., Heisel, F., and Méndez Echenagucia, T. (2017). "Beyond mining

- urban growth: The architectural innovation of cultivated resources through appropriate engineering." In A.Z.P. Hyungmin Pai, editor, *Imminent Commons: The Expanded City*. Actar Publishers. Seoul Biennale of Architecture and Urbanism 2017.
- Van Mele, T., **Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, Pigram, D., Liew, A., and Block, P. (2021). "Ultralight formwork system for thin, textile-reinforced concrete shells." In J. Schoof, editor, *Robust Resilient Resistant: Reinforced Concrete Structures*, pages 20–28. Edition DETAIL, Munich.

## Peer-reviewed conferences without proceedings

- **Méndez Echenagucia, T.** (2010a). "Herramientas informáticas para la investigación y proyectos en el campo de la arquitectura y construcción: Caso de estudio, sistema de parasoles en madera de teca para fachadas de edificios de mediana altura." In *XXVII Jornadas de Investigación del IDEC*.
- **Méndez Echenagucia, T.** (2010b). "Sistema de parasoles en madera de teca para fachadas de edificios de mediana altura: Caso de estudio, edificios de oficina en caracas." In *XXVII Jornadas de Investigación del IDEC*.
- Shtrepi, L., Menichelli, J., Astolfi, A., **Mendez Echenagucia, T.**, and Masoero, M.C. (2017). "Improving scattering surface design with rapid feedback by integrating parametric models and acoustic simulation." *The Journal of the Acoustical Society of America*, 142(4):2499–2499.
- Rajendran, V., **Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, and Piacsek, A. (2020). "Design of efficient low-frequency sound absorbers using an array of helmholtz resonators." In *Acoustic Society of America 2020 Annual Meeting*. Virtual conference.
- Brown, N. and **Méndez Echenagucia**, **T.** (2021). "Minimizing radiated sound power through geometric stiffness in mass timber floor systems." In *Acoustic Society of America 2021 Annual Meeting*. Seattle Washington.
- Rajendran, V., Piacsek, A., and **Méndez Echenagucia, T.** (2021). "Design of broadband helmholtz resonator arrays using the radiation impedance method." In *Acoustic Society of America 2021 Annual Meeting*. Seattle Washington.

## Magazine articles

Van Mele, T., **Méndez Echenagucia, T.**, Pigram, D., Liew, A., and Block, P. (2018). "A prototype of a thin, textile-reinforced concrete shell built using a novel, ultra-lightweight, flexible formwork system." DETAIL.

### Academic studio books

Méndez Echenagucia, T. and Meek, C. (2021). Designing for low emissions. Self published.

## II.C Research projects and prototypes

This section contains research projects that include the construction buildings or fabrication of building components of different scales and with different purposes.

### 2022 - 2023 Mass timber floor system prototypes and measurements

University of Washington

with Bert Roozen (KU Leuven) and Andy Piacsek (CWU)

Design, fabrication and assembly of two CLT floor prototypes on a glulam frame for

acoustic vibration testing Seatte - WA, USA

### 2021 - 2022 Rippmann Floor System acoustic analysis

University of Washington with ETH Zürich, KU Leuven

Vibroacoustic design and analysis of concrete funicular floors for mix-use high-rise

building

Brussels, Belgium

### 2020 Helmholtz resonator array prototypes

University of Washington

with Vidhya Rajendran, NBBJ and Arup acoustics

Design, fabrication and on-site testing of resonant acoustic absorption panels in Cross

Laminated Timber Seattle - WA, USA

Published in: Fast Company, Input

## 2020 Arena design competition

University of Washington

with Zaha Hadid Architects, Blumer Lehmann AG, Arup

Competition consultant in structural design and acoustics for a long span roof

Vienna, Austria

#### 2015 - 2019 **NEST HiLo**

ETH Zürich

Design and construction of a flexible workspace unit for the NEST building

Structural design, system design and fabrication for a concrete sandwich shell roof built

with a cable-net and formwork system

Dübendorf, Switzerland Published in: Designboom 2017 Acoustic testing of funicular floor system

ETH Zürich with KU Leuven

Large scale prototype of funicular floor system for vibroacoustic lab testing

Structural design and digital fabrication of floor sample

2017 Cable-net and fabric formwork prototype

ETH Zürich

Large scale prototype for the Cable-net and fabric formwork for the HiLo roof

Structural design and digital fabrication of 1:1 sample On-site supervision of fabricators and general contractor

Published in (selected): Archdaily, BBC News, Architect Magazine

2017 Mycotree

ETH Zürich

Design of a compression only branching structure in mycelium for the Seoul Biennale

Seoul, South Korea

Published in (selected): Dezeen, Detail, Word-Architects

2015 - 2016 Beyond Bending

ETH Zürich

with John Ochsendorf, ODB Engineering and Escobedo construction

Exhibition at the Venice Biennale 2016

Structural design and construction of a 15m span compression only vault in sandstone

Structural design and fabrication of a funicular floor system

Venice, Italy

Published in (selected): Wired, Forbes, Domus

2015 - 2016 **Droneport Prototype** 

ETH Zürich

with The Norman Foster Foundation, EPFL Lausanne, ODB Engineering and

Universidad Politécnica de Madrid

Exhibition at the Venice Biennale 2016, Italy

Structural Design and construction of a thin tile vault pavilion

Published in (selected): L'Architecture d'Aujourd'hui, Dezeen, Architects Journal

2015 ETH Pavillion

ETH Zürich

Ideas City Festival New York City, USA

Design and construction of a vaulted pavilion in recycled materials for the Ideas City

Festival

New York City, USA

Published in (selected): Dezeen, Azure

### 2014 - 2015 Fábrica de Cultura

ETH Zürich

with Universidad de Norte Barranquilla

Structural design and acoustic analysis of a vaulted auditorium for a public arts school

Barranquilla, Colombia

### 2012 Summer studio pavilions

Politecnico di Torino

Design and construction of three digitally fabricated pavilions built with students during

a summer studio Turin, Italy

### 2012 Brickshell

Politecnico di Torino

Design and construction of a tile vaulted pavilion built with students during a summer

studio Turin, Italy

### 2011 Monalisa pavillion

Politecnico di Torino

Design and construction of a timber pavilion for the MADE exhibition

Milan, Italy

## II.D Open-source software development

## 2022 - present COMPAS Energy+

University of Washington

Python library for room building energy performance simulation based using Energy+

Lead developer GitHub repository

### 2022 - present **UpStream**

University of Washington

with Chuou Zhang (UW), Marty Brennan, Jacob Dunn (ZGF Architects) and Indroneil

Ganguly (UW CINTRAFOR)

UpStream Forestry Carbon and LCA Tool

Published in: Metropolis GitHub repository

## 2020 - present COMPAS Room Acoustics

University of Washington

Python library for room acoustics simulation based on the COMPAS framework

Lead developer GitHub repository 2019 - present COMPAS Helmholtz

University of Washington

Python library for the design of acoustic resonant absorption panels

Lead developer GitHub repository

2018 - present COMPAS Vibro

University of Washington / ETH Zürich

Python library for vibro-acoustic simulation based on the Rayleigh integral

Lead developer GitHub repository

2016 - present COMPAS FEA

University of Washington / ETH Zürich / University of Sheffield Python library for finite element analysis of building structures

Co-developer GitHub repository

2015 - 2019 **COMPAS** 

ETH Zürich

Computational framework for Architecture and Structures

Co-developer GitHub repository

II.E Grants, fellowships and third-party funding

2022 ARPA-e - University of Washington

Parametric Open Data for Life Cycle Assessment (POD — LCA)

Co-Investigator

Awarded funds: \$ 3,744,303

2020 Royalty Research Fund - University of Washington

UW Office of Research internal grant to faculty seeking to establish new research

Awarded funds: \$ 39.500

2020 Arup Acoustics in-kind contribution

Expert advice and on-site measurements of the acoustic performance of a Helmholtz

resonator array

In kind contribution: \$ 16.500

2020 NBBJ Design

Funding of a research assistant for summer position

Funded time: 2 months, 20 hours per week

2015 - 2018 HiLo Industry funding

ETH Zürich

Secured funding of the HiLo project from Holcim Switzerland, BASF, Autodesk and

Doka

2017 European Research Council Synergy grant (Unsuccessful)

ETH Zürich with Vrije Universiteit Brussel and University of Patras Application for research on reducing the carbon emissions of floor slabs

Requested funds: € 9.664.773

2016 Beyond Bending Industry funding

ETH Zürich

Securing project sponsoring from the Escobedo Group, Artemide and Pro Helvetia

**2015** - **2016 ETH Foundation** 

Post-doctoral research grant. Research on sound insulation in the low frequencies by

means of structural stiffness Awarded funds: CHF 100.000

2011 - 2013 Italian Ministry of Higher Education and Research (MIUR)

PhD scholarship at the Politecnico di Torino Awarded stipend and tuition fees for 3 years

### II.F Invited lectures and Panels

2022 University of Melbourne (remote)

Panel discussion after a presentation from Prof. Trevor Cox

ABP Symposium 2022 - Melbourne Australia

2022 Kent State University (remote)

As part of a workshop on Pachyderm acoustics taught by Arthur Van der Harten

"Computational methods for room acoustic design"

2021 **Committee of 33** (remote)

Non-profit organization in Seattle - WA

"Designing for low emisions"

2021 Associazione Italiana di Acustica (remote)

"Aspettando Matera" live streamed presentation series

"Progettare con/le onde: Performance based design per la progettazione acustica in

architettura"

2021 University College London (remote)

Bartlett Faculty of the Built Environment

"Computational geometry for sustainable construction"

2019	Politecnico di Torino - Turin, Italy Dipartimento di Architettura e Design "Computational geometry for sustainable construction"
2019	University of Toronto - Toronto, Canada Daniels Faculty of Architecture, Landscape, and Design "Computational geometry for sustainable construction"
2019	Université de Montréal - Montreal, Canada Faculté de l'Aménagement "Computational geometry for sustainable construction"
2019	Université Catholique de Louvain - Louvain la neuve, Belgium Faculté d'ingénierie architecturale "Computational geometry for sustainable construction"
2019	University of Washington - Seattle, United States of America Department of Architecture "Computational geometry for sustainable construction"
2018	Universidad de Granada - Granada, Spain E.T.S. de Arquitectura "Geometría de estructuras sostenibles"
2018	Architekturzentrum Wien - Vienna, Austria PechaKucha for Concrete supplier consortium "Funicular floor systems"
2017	<b>EMPA Nest</b> - Zurich, Switzerland Lafarge Holcim Sustainable construction "The HiLo research unit"
2017	<b>KU Leuven</b> - Leuven, Belgium Division Acoustics and Thermal Physics "Acoustic insulation through structural stiffness"
2017	Hochschule Ostwestfalen-Lippe - Detmold, Germany Master of Engineering in Integrated Design "Computational search in architectural design"
2016	Università IUAV di Venezia - Venice, Italy with Prof. Philippe Block "Strength through geometry"
2016	<b>Heatherwick Studio</b> - London, England Architecture firm

with Prof. Philippe Block "Strength through geometry"

2015 Massachusetts Institute of Technology - Boston, United States of America

**Building Technology Group** 

"Computational search in architectural design"

2015 University College London - London, England

The Bartlett School of Architecture "Search algorithms for acoustic design"

2009 Universidad Simón Bolívar - Caracas, Venezuela

Departamento de Diseño, Arquitectura y Artes Plásticas

"Forma acústica arquitectónica y esctructural"

## II.G Peer reviewing

- Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC)
- International Association for Shells and Spatial Structures (IASS)
- Symposium on Simulation for Architecture and Urban Design (SimAUD)
- o University of Washington Royalty Research Fund (RRF)
- Applied Acoustics

## II.H Conference session chairing

2015 IASS Amsterdam

Performance Aided Design Co-chair with Prof. Dario Parigi

2018 IASS Boston

Shell structures

Co-chair with Tim Michiels

2022 Symposium on Computational Fabrication - Seattle

Architecture section

Session chair

## III Architectural Practice

## III.A Projects

2014 Piazza Bernini (Unbuilt)

Turin, Italy

Residential development in the city center

with Frlan + Jansen Architetti

Architectural Design

2013 Reale Mutua (Unbuilt)

Turin, Italy

Invited competition for an Office building in the city center

with Frlan + Jansen Architetti

Architectural Design

2013 **Teatro Colón** (Unbuilt)

Bogotá, Colombia

Competition for an addition to a historical Theater with ADJKM Arguitectos and Marco Palma

Concert Hall Design, Parametric Modeling and Geometry consultancy

2013 Lacacao (Unbuilt)

Boa Vista island, Capo Verde

Preliminary design for a beach resort and residence

with Frlan + Jansen Architetti

Architectural Design

2012 - 2013 **Via Nizza** 

Turin, Italy

Refurbishment an historical building for residential development

with Frlan + Jansen Architetti

Architectural Design

2011 - 2013 **CASMSB** (Unbuilt)

Caracas, Venezuela

Music conservatory and concert hall, Venezuela

Concert Hall Design

Parametric Modelling / computational geometry consultancy

2012 Holcom Headquarters

Beirut - Lebanon Corporate office

Building envelope & shading consultancy

Parametric Modelling

2011 Lavazza Headquarters (Unbuilt)

Turin - Italy

Invited competition for Corporate offices

Architectural Design Parametric Modelling

2011 Strada Andezeno

Chieri, Italy

Mixed housing/commercial building with Frlan + Jansen Architetti

Architectural Design

2011 Kleinste Soep Fabriek (Unbuilt)

Groningen, the Neatherlands

Entrance Pavilion and Foyer for a soup Factory

with Frlan + Jansen Architetti

Architectural Design

2011 Sestriere

Sestriere, Italy Ski residence

with Frlan + Jansen Architetti

Geometry and Material Optimization consultancy

2011 Santa Clara

Chieri, Italy

Residential development in an ex-consecrated church

with Frlan + Jansen Architetti

Architectural Design

2011 Venice city Visions

Venice, Italy

Ideas competition on the future of Venice

with Claudio Sframelli, Jacopo Bracco and Alberto Lessan

Architectural Design

2011 Venice city Visions

Turin, Italy

Private Loft Photography studio and exhibition space

with Frlan + Jansen Architetti

Architectural Design

2010 CASMSB competition

Caracas, Venezuela

Music Education complex competition

TMS Arquitectura Architectural Design 2010 **EIM** (Unbuilt)

La Guaira, Venezuela Shopping center TMS Arquitectura

Solar shading and design consultancy

2010 Stonehill Masterplan

Bangalore, India

Mixed urban development, housing, office space, and cultural center

with Frlan + Jansen Architetti

Architectural Design

2010 Residency Road

Bangalore, India Private Office Building

with Frlan + Jansen Architetti

Architectural Design

2010 Oficina La Lagunita

Caracas, Venezuela

Private offices interiors for an investment group

TMS Arquitectura Architectural Design

2010 Centro Simon Díaz competition (Unbuilt)

Caracas, Venezuela

Cultural Center in an informal settlement in Caracas

TMS Arquitectura Architectural Design

2010 **Hangar** (Unbuilt)

Ocumare, Venezuela

Private hangar in a Civil Airport

TMS Arquitectura Architectural Design

2009 Bima (Unbuilt)

Caracas, Venezuela

Invited competition for a retail Store for a Furniture and design brand

TMS Arquitectura Architectural Design

2009 Campo Plaza

Caracas, Venezuela

Private Apartment Refurbishment

TMS Arquitectura Architectural Design 2009 Campo Norte

Caracas, Venezuela

4 Private Apartment Refurbishments in Caracas

TMS Arquitectura Architectural Design

2009 Centro Empresarial Boleita (Unbuilt)

Caracas, Venezuela

Mixed Office/Commercial building

TMS Arquitectura Architectural Design

2008 Chieri Services Center (Unbuilt)

Chieri, Italy

Mixed use commercial/Hotel and public building

with Frlan + Jansen Architetti

Architectural Design

2008 Zona Rental (Unbuilt)

Caracas, Venezuela

Mixed Use commercial / cultural complex competition TMS Arquitectura + Miguel Acosta and Alfonso Paolini

Architectural Design

2008 Las Perezas (Unbuilt)

Caracas, Venezuela Private Residence TMS Arquitectura Architectural Design

2008 Superagencia

Caracas, Venezuela

Refurbishment of private offices for a Design firm

TMS Arquitectura Architectural Design

2008 Polar La Yaguara

Caracas, Venezuela

Medical station for a Manufacturing Plant

TMS Arquitectura Architectural Design

2008 Polar La Guaira

La Guaira, Venezuela

Office expansion and Medical station for a Distribution center

TMS Arquitectura Architectural Design 2008 Polar Ocumare

Ocumare, Venezuela

Storage Building for a distribution center

TMS Arquitectura Architectural Design

2007 Clínica Plaza (Unbuilt)

Caracas, Venezuela

Refurbishment and extension of a private Health Care facility

TMS Arquitectura Architectural Design

2007 Saltarrana

Caracas, Venezuela Private Residence

with AM: Arquitectura Multimedia

Architectural Design

2007 Perugia (Unbuilt)

Perugia, Italy

Student Housing competition with Frlan + Jansen Architetti

Architectural Design

2007 Casa Facta

Perinera, Italy

Private sky residence in the Italian Alps

with Frlan + Jansen Architetti

Architectural Design

2006 Falconara Market (Unbuilt)

Falconara Maritima, Italy

Open air market

Competition (1st Prize)

with Frlan + Jansen Architetti

Architectural Design

2004 Casa Wenzelmann (Unbuilt)

Caracas, Venezuela Private residence Architectural Design

# IV Teaching

# IV.A University of Washington courses

Autumn 2022	Arch 598 A	Computation and design technology seminar Seminar on the use of computational methods for architectural design technology	3 credits
Autumn 2022	Arch 600	<b>Independent study - Nathan Brown</b> Finite Element Analysis of Timber joinery	3 credits
Spring 2022	Arch 592 A	Research methods an overview of the role and practice of research methods in architecture Co-taught with Prof. Brian McLaren	3 credits
Spring 2022	598 C	Computational design Applied computational design course based on the Python programming language	3 credits
Winter 2022	Arch 598C	Computation and design technology seminar Seminar on the use of computational methods for architectural design technology Newly developed	3 credits
Autumn 2021	Arch 600	Independent study - Nathan Brown Documentation and presentation of vibro-acoustic studies for mass timer floors	3 credits
Autumn 2021	Arch 523	Design Technology IV Integration of structure, environmental systems, spatial organization and architectural form Co-taught with Prof. Rob Peña	3 credits
Spring 2021	Arch 508 B	Research Studio II Studio on the trade-offs between operational and embodied emissions of mass-timber buildings Co-taught with Prof. Chris Meek	6 credits
Spring 2021	Arch 594 B	Research Studio II Seminar Seminar on computational methods for the estimation carbon emissions	3 credits

Winter 2021	Arch 587 A	Theory of design computing Seminar on the theory and practice of contemporary computational methods Re-developed Previously taught by Prof. Brian Johnson	3 credits
Autumn 2020	Arch 523	Design Technology IV Integration of structure, environmental systems, spatial organization and architectural form Co-taught with Prof. Rob Peña	3 credits
Spring 2020	Arch 592 A	Research methods an overview of the role and practice of research methods in architecture Co-taught with Prof. Brian McLaren	3 credits
Spring 2020	Arch 498 / 598 C	Computational design Applied computational design course based on the Python programming language Newly developed	3 credits
Winter 2020	Arch 587 A	Theory of design computing Seminar on the theory and practice of contemporary computational methods Re-developed Previously taught by Prof. Brian Johnson	3 credits
Autumn 2019	Arch 523	Design Technology IV Integration of structure, environmental systems, spatial organization and architectural form Re-developed Co-taught with Prof. Rob Peña	3 credits

## IV.B ETH Zürich courses

Courses taught at ETH Zürich while working as a post-doctoral researcher. The courses were officially offered by Professors Philippe Block and Joseph Schwartz.

Spring 2019	Structural Design VI State-of-the-art computational structural design Taught with Dr. Matthias Rippmann	3 credits
Spring 2018	<b>Structural Design VI</b> State-of-the-art computational structural design Taught with Dr. Matthias Rippmann	3 credits

# Spring 2016 Structural Design (MAS)

3 credits

Introduction to computational structural design

for MAS in digital fabrication

Taught with Dr. Matthias Rippmann

# IV.C Politecnico di Torino courses

Summer courses taught as a PhD student with Prof. Mario Sassone.

Summer 2014	Computational Design Computational design summer workshop: Three pavilions, concrete, timber and masonry Taught with Prof. Mario Sassone
Summer 2013	Computational Design Computational design summer workshop: Tile vaulted pavilion Taught with Prof. Mario Sassone
Summer 2012	Computational Design Computational design summer workshop: Monalisa pavilion Taught with Prof. Mario Sassone Newly developed

# IV.D Student teaching evaluation scores

Quarter	Course	Respond / Enrolled	Median	Adj. Median	COVID
Spring 2022	Arch 598 C	11 / 16	4.7	4.7	Hybrid
Spring 2022	Arch 592 A	19 / 43	4.2	4.2	Hybrid
Winter 2022	Arch 598 C	10 / 14	4.9	4.6	Hybrid
Autumn 2021	Arch 523	27 / 53	4.4	4.7	Hybrid
Spring 2021	Arch 594 B	7 / 16	4.6	4.3	Remote
Spring 2021	Arch 508 B	6 / 16	4.9	4.5	Remote
Winter 2021	Arch 587	10 / 14	4.8	4.7	Remote

Autumn 2020	Arch 523	24 / 44	4.6	4.7	Remote
Spring 2020	Arch 498 - 598 C	13 / 23	4.6	4.7	Remote
Spring 2020	Arch 592	23 / 32	4.2	4.2	Partially remote
Winter 2020	Arch 587	9 / 13	4.8	4.7	No
Autumn 2019	Arch 523	33 / 46	4.2	4.3	No

## IV.E Ph.D. Supervision

2021 - ongoing	Carolina	Recart -	Committee	member
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University of Washington - Civil And Environmental Engineering

Title: Understanding the Hygrothermal Implications of Energy Efficiency Measures for

Residential Building Envelopes

2021 - ongoing Hannah Twigg-Smith - Graduate School Representative

University of Washington - Human Centered Design and Engineeringg

Title: TBD

2021 - ongoing Sarah Wichman - Graduate School Representative

University of Washington - Civil And Environmental Engineering Title: Seismic Behavior of Tall Rocking Mass Timber Walls

2020 Blanca Perez - Host

Visiting PhD student - Universidad Politécnica de Valencia, Spain Topic: Parametric modeling of concert hall acoustics and materials

## IV.F Ph.D. Supervision as Post-doctoral researcher at ETH Zürich

While holding the position of Post-doctoral researcher, contributed to the supervision of the PhD candidates at the Block Research Group, Institute for Technology in Architecture ETH Zürich. Providing constant feedback on their research topics, imparting instruction in Python programming, computational design, computational geometry and structural design.

## 2018 — 2019 Alessandro Dell'Endice

Assessment methods for historical masonry structures

Expected defense in 2021

Expected defense in 2021

### 2017 — 2019 Crstián Calvo Barentin

Design and fabrication of funicular floor systems for low environmental impact

Expected defense in 2021

2015 — 2018 **Juney Lee** 

"Computational Design Framework for 3D Graphic Statics"

2014 — 2019 David López López

"Tile vaults as integrated formwork for concrete shells"

## IV.G Thesis Supervision at the University of Washington

2021-2022 Preston Pape

Master of Science of Architecture - Design Computing

Title: TBD Chair: Rick Mohler

2021-2022 Christina Bjarvin

School of Environmental & Forest Sciences

Title: TBD

Chair: Indroneil Ganguly

2021 Matt Wiggins

Master of Science in Construction Management

Cost model for embodied carbon reduction: comparative study between mass timber

and structural steel Chair: Hyun Woo Lee

2020 - 2021 James Blanchard (chair)

Master of Architecture

Acoustic spatial design methodology and its application in health environments

Committee: Heather Burpee

2020 - 2021 Karen Wang (chair)

Master of Architecture

Study of thermal insulation strategies for Taiwanese housing units

Committee: Rob Peña

2020 - 2021 **Chuou Zhang** (chair)

Master of Architecture

Design of mass-timber building components for reusability

Committee: Kimo Griggs

2020 **Gayle Elam**(committee member)

Master of Architecture

"Acoustically Sensitive Large Assembly Spaces at School: An Elementary School

Retrofit and Expansion" Chair: Rob Corser

### 2019 - 2020 Vidhya Rajendran (chair)

Master of Science of Architecture - Design Computing "Helmholtz Resonators in Open Office Acoustics"

Committee: Brian Johnson

### IV.H Thesis Supervision at other Institutions

### 2017 - 2018 **Tomás Mena**

Master of Engineering in Integrated Design - Hochschule Ostwestfalen-Lippe

"Concept for intelligent facade configurator"

Committee: Hans Sachs, Tomás Méndez Echenagucia

### 2016 - 2017 Jessica Menichelli

Master of Architecture - Politecnico di Torino

 $\hbox{``Optimization of the acoustic characteristics of diffusive surfaces: an objective}\\$ 

evaluation method at the preliminary design phase"

Committee: Arianna Astolfi, Louena Shtrepi, and Tomás Méndez Echenagucia

## 2016 - 2017 **Giovanni Bouvet**

Master of Architecture - Politecnico di Torino

"Computational design: conchiglie acustiche parametriche per l'utilizzo contemporaneo

dei teatri classici"

Committee: Arianna Astolfi, Elena Bo, and Tomás Méndez Echenagucia

### 2013 - 2014 Denise Barbaroux

Master of Architecture - Politecnico di Torino

"L'influenza delle balconate sulla qualità acustica delle sale da concerto"

Committee: Arianna Astolfi and Tomás Méndez Echenagucia

#### 2012 - 2013 Silvia Pastorino and Chiara Bertolutti

Master of Architecture - Politecnico di Torino

"Studio acustico parametrico per la ricerca delle dimensioni ottimali di sale da concerto

a "Shoebox" ed esagonali"

Committee: Arianna Astolfi, Louena Shtrepi, and Tomás Méndez Echenagucia

### 2012 - 2013 **Sabrina Canale**

Master of Architecture - Politecnico di Torino

"Lo studio dei riflettori acustici in una sala polivalente tramite simulazione ray-tracing" Committee: Arianna Astolfi, Alessia Paola Griginis and **Tomás Méndez Echenagucia** 

### 2012 - 2013 Marco Palma and Maddalena Sarotto

Master of Architecture - Politecnico di Torino

"Loudness : progettazione algoritmico-evolutiva di una conchiglia acustica per un palco rock"

Committee: Arianna Astolfi, Mario Sassone, Marco Carlo Masoero, Chiara Aghemo and

Tomás Méndez Echenagucia

## 2012 Fabio Cerniglia

Master of Architecture - Politecnico di Torino

"Una casa itinerante"

Committee: Michele Bonino and Tomás Méndez Echenagucia

## IV.I Applied Research Consortium supervision

This section contains work supervised under the Applied Research Consortium at the College of Built Environments - University of Washington. The work is often related to the thesis work of the same student, however it is always done on separate track with a more applied topic and a different committee. The work is done in collaboration with a Seattle based Architecture firm.

### 2021 - ongoing Nathan Brown

Structural design and fabrication of timber only joinery for structural reuse

Firm partner: Turner Construction - Josh Lohr, Sean Beatty

UW supervisor: Tomás Méndez Echenagucia

## 2020 - 2022 **Chuou Zhang**

Biogenic Carbon Accounting Method for Upstream Forest Factors: A Regional Approach

Firm partner: ZGF Architects - Jacob Dunn, Marty Brennan

UW supervisors: Indroneil Ganguli and Tomás Méndez Echenagucia

## 2019 - 2020 Vidhya Rajendran

"Heavenly Rooms: On the use of Helmholtz resonators for Open Office acoustics"

Firm partner: NBBJ Design - Ryan Mullenix UW supervisor: **Tomás Méndez Echenagucia** 

## IV.J Research Assistant supervision

2021 Nathan Brown

University of Washington

Design and vibro-acoustic analysis of mass timber floor systems

2020 Vidhya Rajendran\*

University of Washington

Design, fabrication and on-site measurement of a resonant absorption panel in Cross

Laminated Timber

 $<sup>^*</sup>$ A summer RA position as a continuation of the student's thesis and ARC project on acoustic absorption

2020 Nathan Brown

University of Washington

Creation of Design technology teaching resources website

2018 - 2019 Theodora Ravanidou

ETH Zürich

Flexible formwork system for the HiLo project

2017 Pieter Bieghs

ETH Zürich

Parametric study to improve the structural performance of a funicular floor system

2016 - 2017 Alessandro Dell'Endice

ETH Zürich

Parametric modeling of masonry cross-vaults for 3d printed structural models

2016 - 2017 **Ioannis Mirtsopoulos** 

ETH Zürich

Design and fabrication of a cable-net and fabric formwork system in large prototype

### IV.K Guest Lectures in other UW Courses

Fall 2022 Arch 562 - Contemporary Architectural Theory

"Mass Timber Vibro-Acoustics" Invited by Prof. Brian McLaren

Fall 2021 Arch 362 - Architecture and Theory

"Orders, Types and Computational Design"

Invited by Profs. Alex Anderson and Brian McLaren

Winter 2021 Arch 360 - Introduction to Architectural Theory

"Patterns, Structures and Orders"

Invited by Profs. Alex Anderson and Kathryn Rogers Merlino

Winter 2020 ME 525 - Applied acoustics

"Use of Helmholtz resonators for office acoustics"

Invited by Prof. Peter Dahl

Winter 2020 Arch 362 - Introduction to Architectural Theory

"Patterns, Structures and Orders"

Invited by Profs. Alex Anderson and Brian McLaren

Winter 2020 Arch 524 - Design Technology V

"Types, constraints and parametric models"

Invited by Prof. Rob Peña

Winter 2020 Arch 528 - Digital design for fabrication and construction

"The COMPAS framework" Invited by Jack Hunter

Autumn 2019 Arch 520 - Design Technology I

"Compression only structures"

Invited by Profs. Rob Peña and Kimo Griggs

Autumn 2019 Arch 592 - Research methods

"Computational geometry for sustainable construction" Invited by Profs. Kate Simonen and Ann Huppert

Autumn 2019 Arch 562 - Contemporary architectural theory

"Models"

Invited by Profs. Alex Anderson and Brian McLaren

## IV.L Design Technology teaching resources website

Development of a teaching website for Design Technology courses at the Department of Architecture in the University of Washington.

Summer 2020 Design Technology website

Overall site development, concept and structure

designtech.be.uw.edu

#### **Graphic statics**

Browser based Python app development, graphic statics drawing construction designtech.be.uw.edu/category/structures/graphic\_statics/

### IV.M Studio and Thesis reviews

2021 Innovative Mid-rise Timber: Timber Tectonics Meets Spatial Force Flow - final

review

Weitzman School of Design - University of Pennsylvania (remote)

Instructor: Prof. Masoud Akbarzadeh

2021 **TOPOLOGY + timber** - final review

Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning - University of Michigan

Instructor: Prof. Tsz Yan Ng

Innovative Mid-rise Timber: Timber Tectonics Meets Spatial Force Flow - mid 2021 Weitzman School of Design - University of Pennsylvania (remote) Instructor: Prof. Masoud Akbarzadeh 2020 Digital Futures 2020 workshop - final reviews ETH Zürich - Department of Architecture (remote) Instructors: Dr. Juney Lee, Dr. Tom van Mele and Prof. Philippe Block 2016 Structural design II - final review ETH Zürich - Department of Architecture Instructors: Prof. Philippe Block 2015 Design Research Laboratory - studio review Architectural Association - London Instructor: Shajay Bhooshan 2015 Structural design II - final review ETH Zürich - Department of Architecture Instructors: Prof. Philippe Block IV.N Coding workshops 2021 Python workflows for performance based design Hochschule Ostwestfalen-Lippe (remote) Performance based methods for the early phase of design by means of the COMPAS framework

2018 COMPAS\_TNA workshop

IASS 2018 workshops - MIT

Structural form-finding methods from compression only structures using Thrust Network

Analysis

2018 COMPAS\_TNA workshop

ETH Zürich - Department of Architecture

Masonry structures analysis using Thrust Network Analysis

2018 **COMPAS\_FEA workshop** 

ETH Zürich - Department of Architecture

Finite element analysis by means of the COMPAS framework

# V Service

# V.A Academic service positions at the University of Washington

2022 - ongoing	Strategic planning committee Department of Architecture
2020 - ongoing	<b>Design Technology committee</b> Department of Architecture
2021 - 2022	Cohort hire committee Department of Architecture
2021	FabLab director hiring committee College of Built Environments
2021 - 2022	CBE Technology group College of Built Environments
2020	MS Design computing admissions (chair) Department of Architecture
2020	Strategic planning review team College of Built environments
2019 - 2020	Strategic planning Technology Task group College of Built environments

## V.B Leadership positions in external organizations

2019 - 2020 **Open Research in Acoustical Science and Education** (Board member)
Non-profit for the support of acoustics education and research in the US
Founding board member

## V.C Affiliations

- Acoustical Society of America (ASA)
- o Association for Computer Aided Design in Architecture (ACADIA)
- o International Association for Spatial and Shell Structures (IASS)