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Figure 1.1 Pixel sorting (Kortbeek, 2013)

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How can glitch as a result of digital decay be interpreted in three dimensional form?


ABSTRACT
We now live in a world where architecture is produced through arrays of pixels and this remains as the representation rather than the reality of buildings inevitably ageing their physical forms. So if architecture is kept in this digitally frozen state, then how does architectural form age over time? It glitches. A glitch is defined as a sudden malfunction or fault caused by the harsh reality of digital decay. Currently glitches as a result of digital decay are solely explored as forms of 2d art therefore this thesis looks to reconnect the underlying data to its digital architectural spatial form and interpret digital decay in 3d. Our methodology follows a systematic iterative process of transformational change to explore design emergence on the base of computational glitches. A numerical data driven process is explored using decayed files which are turned into 3d formal expressions. In this context, stereoscopic techniques are experimented, helping understand further how glitch can be performed within a 3d virtual environment. Ultimately we explore digital architectural form existing solely in the digital realm that confidently expresses glitch in both its design process and aesthetic outcome. This thesis does not aim to answer the research question through a resolved building, we instead define architecture as three dimensional digital form and space. This thesis uses glitch as a methodology to design three dimensional spaces within the digital realm. The architecture exists in the digital therefore the spatial perception of architecture created through this research is in the eye of the beholder and their previous spatial experiences. Employing a methodology of transformational change to explore design emergence on the base of glitches or decayed files, the aim is to generate a contemporary architectural interpretation of decayed data. (Haslop et al., 2016)

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Figure 1.2 Error Message (Tumblr, 2016)

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## INTRODUCTION

In this digital age the architectural output is now both the physical building existing within the built environment and the digital model remaining within the digital realm. Both physical and digital forms are subject to constraints and natural forces that impede architectural production and maintenance, decay being one. We understand the slow weathering decay of the physical world but struggle to comprehend glitch as a result of decay within the digital realm. Digital decay is not the wear of a tangible material but the decomposition of binary codes perception, creating new interpretations as perception is shifted. Architecture and digital media researcher Almond writes, "we are all aware of the decay that exists in our physical world, we are exposed to degradation, death and destruction frequently. We still struggle however with the concept of decay in the digital sense. We forget what we have been taught, but we do not expect our computer to forget what we have used it to create." (Almond, 2009) We are constantly updating our digital systems with little understanding of the effects this has on the information's continued legibility. Files are not resilient to our constant digital updates. We can look to digital forensics and digital cultural preservation or we can embrace glitches as the opportunity for appreciating digital aesthetics. We find beauty in age within the physical world, we view derelict ruins as poetic and nostalgic, contrastingly our reactions to digital decay are that of temporal anxiety. Shipwright writes for Uncube magazine, "glitch surely warrants attention within the field of architecture precisely because it is in this realm that aesthetics and technology are so inextricably woven together." (Shipwright, 2015) This computer aided architectural design research works with generative algorithmic and evolutionary data driven experimental design methods to interpret and understand digital decay through architectural form. We are advancing glitch as digital decay from its non-graphical and 2D image representations into meaningful 3D architectural interpretations. Glitch brings us to question how we can use digital decay as a means of designing digital 3d architecture and how architectural form and space can help us to understand and appreciate digital decay in the form of glitch.

The thesis research discusses these questions in the context of architectural design. With regards to digital decay, a glitch is defined here less as transient and temporary than as a sudden perpetual error caused by the unexpected decomposition of digital information that this thesis embraces as the innocence of digitally 'aged' aesthetics. Glitch is regarded as a stimulus to questioning the limits we can reach in digital modelling and the predictability of digital files (Almond, 2009; Temkin, 2014). Glitch deepens the appreciation of human agency and creativity within the digital realm of architectural design in the way glitch humanizes the computer. A glitch acts deep within our technology and comes about seemingly unexpectedly (Shipwright, 2015). We can look to digital forensics, file restoration and cultural preservation (Webb and Brown, 2016; ibid., 2011; Brown and Webb, 2010; Kvan, 2016), or we can embrace glitches as a new opportunity for a digital antique (Schnabel et al., 2016; Aydin et al., 2016).

Figure 2.3 Capture of render process for pilot study


The unique contribution of this research is that it treats glitch in two forms; first as 'the given' and second as 'the in-formed'. In contrast precedent works tend to observe the relation between these two forms in an 'immediacy'. Two glitches are always seen on the same horizon, producing no triumphant hierarchy between each other, which is bounded to a phenomenological deadlock, whereas its subjective capture finds room to grow into static protocols. There- fore, glitch works tend to create monolithic outcome. However, the glitch itself seeks a vertical dimension and an excessive remainder between glitch as 'the given' and glitch as 'the in-formed'. The present work identifies this unknown and unexplored part in which its sporadic nature is questioned.


We are constantly updating our technology striving for the next best but we understand little around how the legibility of these files can be managed or sustained in innovative and emergent forms. Sarah Kessler writes, "the problem with digital... is that it requires active upkeep. Most computers don't have the floppy disk drives that were standard 15 years ago. Nor do they run the same operating systems or software used to create documents saved to floppies - even if the data is recovered, it may look more today like a garbled mix of symbols than your first novel written in WordPerfect." (De Groote, 2013) This rearrangement and reinterpretation of code due to computer systems being updated is not our usual definition of old, however it is the inevitable antique of our digital world. Digital decay really is a natural and happening occurrence. Member of the IEEE Transactions on Software Engineering Computer Society Stephen Eick writes, "we have observed a nearly unanimous feeling among developers of the software that code degrades through time, and maintenance becomes increasingly difficult and expensive." (Eick, 2001) With an entire generations history stored in these binary bits, 'bit rot' (Coupland, 2017) is more threatening that the average layman can comprehend. Ohlmann writes, "most of our digital media is dying faster than we can preserve it. CD's become unusable over time, storage formats become obsolete and discarded, leaving people with no way to save their information. Tapes die, hard disks crash, sometimes a power surge happens and bits simply get shifted." (Ohlmann, 2007) There are copious amounts of research at relevant online discussion forums debating digital cultural preservation and file transfer updates, (Webb and Brown, 2016; ibid., 2011; Brown and Webb, 2010; Kvan, 2016) however little on embracing digital glitches as an aesthetic of the aged that has its own value and heritage. Eick writes, "because the digital bits that define it are immutable, software does not age or wear out in the conventional sense. In the absence of change to its environment, software can function essentially forever as it was originally designer. However, change is not absent but ubiquitous." (Eick, 2001) 'Bit rot' implies that 1's and 0's of binary code rot (Pritchard, 2016), however it is the computers perception and reinterpretation of the code due to system updates that corrodes. Furthermore, it is beneficial to consider that 'corrossion' of digital data is simply a point of view, a human percpetion that can likewise be shifted to find beauty and delight in digital decay in the form of glitch, in which this thesis encourages.


Figure 2.4 Laura Beverly took footage while on film sets that she later stored on a hardrive. When the hardrive storage device was accidentally dropped all the footage was naturally datamoshed. (Beverly, 2016)



Figure 2.5 Naturally data-
moshed video footage from
dropped hard-drive storage device. (Beverly, 2016)



Figure 2.6 Naturally datamoshed video footage from dropped hard-drive storage device. (Beverly, 2016)

There is a wealth of knowledge discussing the way in which humans find beauty in decay dating back centuries, therefore this notion will only be briefly reviewed through a contemporary installation precedent. British Artist Alex Hartley recently created an architectural intervention called 'A Gentle Collapsing II' which sits amongst the waterside gardens of the Victoria Mira Gallery in London. (Mira, 2016) The piece speaks about modernist legacy and the romantic notion of decay. The clean lines and crisp white walls of our well known modernist architecture is seemingly left open to the elements with an accelerated process of ageing. (Mira, 2016) The press release suggest that "the work offers poignant reflection on themes of entropy and decay... Running contrary to such thoughts, however, is the undeniable aesthetic pleasure we find in ruins - their compelling, transportative quality." (Mira, 2016) This is a nobel precedent demonstrating the beauty of decay not only in the natural ruins but also in the conscious premeditated decay. The artists use of modern architecture provokes the audience to concurrently reflect on decays alignment with time with a consideration for the future. The gallery writes, "for Hartley, this is a surprisingly fertile territory, one that allows the imagination to roam freely, to envision what might have been and what might be to come." (Mira, 2016) Hartley is picking up on the romantic notion of decaying ruins and provoking the viewer to question how our modern architecture decays. These ideas are parallel to glitch in the way we are picking up on a natural decay within the digital and questioning modern technology through architectural re-interpretation.

Figure 2.7 'A Gentle Collapsing II' (Miro, 2016)



Figure 2.8 'A Gentle Collapsing II' (Miro, 2016)

Imagine if throughout the decaying process of a physical building we knew where to restore each piece of nearby stone and rubble so that we could put back the original architecture piece by piece, would we always want to? We expect to be able to put digital code back together, but should we?
(Hass, pers. Comm. 2016)


Figure 2.9 Screenshot of Vray render in mid progress

## BEAUTY IN DIGITAL DECAY

New media artist Lauritzsen discusses how we have become slaves to perfectionism writing, "we worship the smooth and the cold. Why is that? If one compares digital media to analogue media, it makes little sense." (Lauritzsen, 2015, p.9) Artist and designers have embraced imperfection for centuries, from Pollock's chaotic splashing of paint, Lyonel Feininger exposing the same frame twice on his camera, Tejo Remy chairs that differentiate in every individual production. This experimentation with the Lo-fi, the handmade aesthetic makes the analogue realm arguably more honest that the digital. (Lauritzsen, 2015, p.9) For years' digital designers have strived to get as close to reality as possible for example, 'The Third \& The Seventh' (Roman, 2009) short film produced by Alex Roman, some of the most astonishing computer generated realism to date and a must see film for all budding architecture students. However, this endeavor for digital realism is becoming monotonous and slowly through subtle pseudo analogue filters an injustice to the digital media has arrived. (Lauritzsen, 2015, p.9)


Figure 2.10 8-bit GIF style images are circulating popular social media platforms such as Facebook and making subtle appearances in digital art and design.
(Cezek, 2014)


Figure 2.11 Digital aesthetics are even being employed by high Fashion Houses such as Gucci's Fall 2016 ad campaign images which are supplemented by descriptive digital subtitles as if they were screenshots from a foreign film. (Gucci, 2016)


Figure 2.12 Musicians and DJ's are using digital aesthetics in their music videos and song titles. 'My Way' music video by Calvin Harris consciously augmenting digital glitch effects that appear as if YouTube is crippling your Wi-Fi connection. (Harris, 2016)


Figure 2.13 Bon Iver's album '22 A Million' song titles possess a digital aesthetic resembling buggy websites that often place ',Äô' where an apostrophe should be. (Anonymous938743, 2010) Vernon's song titles include symbols, numerals and shifts in letter case looking much alike a keyboard dysfunction. (Iver, 2016)


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Digital decay is not unnatural, as new media artist Curt Cloning writes, "it is just that we humans are still acclaiming ourselves to it."
(Cloning, 2010)


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## CHAPTER TWO

## 2D GLITCH ART

"Cubism, Surrealism, Constructivism, Abstract Expressionism all represented a 'new' aesthetic influenced by science, psychology, optics and metaphysics, and their assertion on the world was steeped in revolutionary zeal." (Gannis, 2012)

Glitch is an artistic movement, a reaction to our new technology and the digital world we work in.


Figure 3.15 Architectural Graduate and designer Raluca Struzu's art focuses on technologies shift in reality through programming and digital rendering. The 2d glitch artwork plays on perception through a process of classical oil paintings of old masters being reduced to RBG fields of pixels, inputs become nothing more than data and the computer becomes an equalizer. (Pascu, 2014)



Figure 3.16 Robert Schlaug's photographs in his series 'Limited Area' are digitally manipulated to instigate a stop, a consideration for a simple photograph. Schlaug's work deals with the human experience of limitation. His 2d glitches appear like sections in the landscape changing the three dimensional perception of depth within the composition. (Schlaug, 2015)



Figure 3.17 Olivier Ratsi's series 'Anarchitecture in Grand Paris (WYSI*not*WYG project)' uses simple photo editing techniques to manipulate familiar buildings creating new uncanny versions. This work successfully plays in the grey area between fiction and fact in the way the architecture remaining to attain a sense of viability and legibility while being completely the opposite. (Ratsi, 2015)





Figure 3.18 2d Glitch Exper-
iments using a photograph
of ice creams taken at the
Fix store, glitched in HexEd-

> 3D GLITCH ART
> Artists have started to explore glitch in 3d physical space. When digital ideas were provoked analogously this was named 'The New Aesthetic' (NA) by James Bridle. (Bridle, 2011) Bridle defines NA as "a series of artefacts of the heterogeneous network, which recognises differences, the gaps in our distant but overlapping realities." (Bridle, 2011) Disapprovingly Gannis writes that NA is a "disappointingly stuffy name for a potentially vanguard development in the tweeted and post(ed) Modern World." (Gannis, 2012) Regardless, there is no doubt it is happening, but is it meaningful?


Figure 3.19 James Bridle Quote image (Balbus, 2013)


Figure 3.20 Brian Eno Quote image (Balbus, 2013)


Figure 3.21 Cologne Cathedral's stained glass windows was designed by Gerhard Richter using a mixture of traditional gothic stain glass techniques mixed with computer generated random square sequences. The design is based off an earlier painting of Richter's '4096 Farben.' (Richter, 2004) This beautiful architectural elements employs both past and contemporary design to create a colourful assemblage of gothic pixels. (Richter, 2007)

Figure 3.22 Luke Jerram modelled a 3d pixelated portrait of his daughter Maya. From afar the pixelated sculpture can be easily read but as you get closer the lack of detail is apparent. The work deals with ideas around perception, optical illusions and the digital age we live in. (Jerram, 2013)



With pixel's existing exclusively within the digital realm, pixel translation has become an increasingly exhausted mechanism to express digital ideas within the physical. 'New Aesthetic, New Anxieties' authors write on how pixels in our physical environment "seem to say not much more than something in the vein of 'we look perfectly normal on a computer screen, so what are you looking at?!' Beside perhaps provoking awareness regarding the low resolution of the digital realm in comparison to the world offline, these sculptures do not influence our behavior when we engage with pixels." (Berry, 2012) Presenting digital representation in the analogue does not advance the understanding of the digital nor tease out new interpretations, it simply highlights the differences between the two. Dismissal of analogous pixel sculpture precedents is not the itention, however this research strives to engage in a further understanding beyond this point.

The House of Electronic Arts (HEK) located in Switzerland is "a place for creative and critical discourse on the aesthetic, socio-political and economic impact of media technologies." (HEK, 2016) Designers '!Mediengruppe Bitnik' applied a digital image error directly onto the façade of the original building and consequently physically built exactly this. The designers feel the glitch "misaligns the elements of the façade, bringing disturbance to an otherwise settled structure." (!Mediengruppe Bitnik, 2015) This is an attempt to express glitch in a 3d physical environment however the interpretation is ultimately still read as a corrupt flat image. Even further so, viewing this architecture over the internet it is read through angled 2D photographs with the facade of the building presented convincingly as a corrupted 2d image leading some to believe it is simply a website error, misconstruing the glitch in the fixed architecture all together.

Figure 3.23 House of Electronic Arts Basel (HEK, 2015)


Figure 3.24 Similarly, Banksy's Ariel mermaid located in his controversial 'Dismaland' exhibition embodies a corrupted image of the familiar Disney Princess in a 3d physical sculpture. From all angles the 3d sculpture remains to read as if presented as a corrupted digital file on a flat digital screen. (Banksy, 2016)



Figure 3.25 Furthermore, Studio Laviani's 'Good Vibrations Storage Unit' furniture design is a three dimensional representation of a glitched 2d image. The flat image is modeled in 3d physical space however it is ultimately apprehended in the same way the 2d image is. (Laviani, 2013)

In this digital age, architecture is often viewed globally over the internet. 3d physical form is experienced through flat photographs online while virtual architecture is interpreted through 2d render shots. Resultantly, architectural design on the topic of glitch requires a deeper meaning than simply displaying a translation of 2d aesthetic. These samples do not explore the inventive role of glitch as an encroachment on the multidimensionality of 3 d space, there is opportunity to explore further than the figuration of glitch as a 3d articulation.

Figure 3.26 Glitch App effects (Rutt-Etra-Izer, 2016)


## DIGITAL PLATFORM

The glitch art community exists almost entirely in the digital realm globally connected via the internet as a moderately fringe community sharing glitch work in a network of Facebook groups and Tumblr pages. The community seems to act in a rebellious manner while withholding integrity, there is a mixture of both humor and somber in their work. Glitch Artist Collective is the main public group. (GAC, 2016) There are rules within the glitch community Facebook groups with specific content only being displayed in specific groups such as; image / glitch requests are submitted to 'GlitchRequest', physical new media art is posted in the group 'New Aesthetic' and questions surrounding glitch methods are discussed on 'GACToolTime’ all of which are Facebook groups allowing still and GIF images in a very compressed format.
Glitch Theory
751 members

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## MORTALITY OF DIGITAL MEDIUM

'Fading Memories and Digital Decay' (Almond, 2009) discussing two very important metaphors between human characteristics and digital realm being memory and decay. Throughout the text Almond references Melanie Wein, creator of the website 'Fleetingness of Bites in 2000.' Wein's website was not only named 'Fleetingness of bites,' the bites that made up her words did exactly that, perhaps on purpose. Fleetingness of Bites is now forever 'temporarily unavailable' and her personal portfolio has been renovated into a yoga website. (Wein, 2016) We curiously enquired about this, Almond replied, "I remember Melanie Wein's work... I can't be sure but I like to think she embraced the ephemerality of her project, maybe she left it to decay, didn't pay the bill to renew her domain and eventually a yoga teacher bought it up and reused it. Kind of full circle, ashes to ashes, but of course a shame that her work is now lost to the abyss of the internet. I'm afraid I don't have any more information on Melanie, it seems her digital presence has indeed decayed completely." (Almond, pers. Comm. April 26, 2016) Similarly as perviously metioned James Bridle coined the term 'New Aesthetic' on the domain 'RigLondon' which is now 403 Forbidden on permanent hiatus, (Bridle, 2011) along with his Tumblr 'The New Aesthetic' which he closed exactly a year to the date it was created. In the text 'New Aesthetic, New Anxieties' the authors write, "it would be risky to make assumptions, but Bridle's sudden decision to close the New Aesthetic Tumblr on May 6th this year feels like his response to the debate sparked by his ideas." (Berry, 2012) Perhaps Wein and Bridle proved the authenticity of their work through decaying it on the very medium they were discussing.

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## DIGITAL ARCHITECTURAL PROCESSES

Architectural design processes and production are now more likely to be produced through pixel's arrays and printers than pen and paper. (Austin, 2015) Architects need to begin to realize how prominently they work within the digital realm and the constraints that impede it. All aspects of the architectural work flow are digital until physical construction, resulting in the digital models of buildings being almost as resolved as the physical output. Austin writes, "the glitch has been neglected as a field of research because its output cannot be easily instrumentalised. The inability to predict and control the process means it circumvents known formal outcomes." (Austin, 2015) There is an opportunity within architectural design to acknowledge an understanding of the digital medium we work with. Shipwright writes, "it's curious then to consider what this might mean for architecture as a discipline that is primarily concerned with the physical production of very solid form. How might the influence of the aestheticisation of error affect the manifestation of the built environment?" (Shipwright, 2015) Glitch is currently explored solely in 2d as an accident rather than the inevitable natural occurrence. Rosa Menkman, a highly regarded contributor to the glitch art community, takes a strong viewpoint in her 'Vernacular of File Formats' describing the current glitch aesthetic as, "no more than a brightly coloured bubble-gum wrapper that doesn't ask for any involvement, or offers any stimulus" (Menkman, 2010 p.2). Glitch has potential to be employed as a system and pushed from its current 2d representation that perhaps lack stimulus, into 3d meaningful interpretations through architectural form. There is opportunity to change this perspective and add authenticity to the field of glitch by gaining an understanding of digital decay through three dimesional architectural form.



## CONCRETE / CLOUD PRECEDENT

An inspiring precedent for design that extends from 2d to 3d is Simon Twose Concrete/Cloud exhibited at the 2016 Venice Biennale. (Twose, 2016) Concrete/Cloud presents a concrete wall surface peeled away from its 2d context intended to be constructed as a full sized drawing, a concrete sketch becoming its own landscape. (CCANZ, 2016) The work has a powerful prescence intending to engage with people in a more direct manner than images. The goal for this research is achieve the same success interpreting 2d idea's in three dimensional form.The comparative difference between the works are the analogue and digital realms.

Figure 3.28 CONCRETE/
CLOUD (Twose, 2016)


There is a representational problem when art or architecture is conceptually grounded in the physical while expressing a digital representation to then be documented back in the digital realm. For example, Aram Bartholl's artwork Maps. (Bartholl, 2006) The artist placed "incredibly large physical red balloons in public spaces to question the digital aesthetic of the oversized red map location markers on Google Maps." (Bartholl, 2006) In reality, the overwhelming size of these balloons is the impact of the artwork communicating the awkward relative scale enabled in the digital. This awkwardness is very apparent in real life however when the work is documented and posted on the internet, the red balloon markers are re-introduced to the digital realm and the proportionate scales are acceptable again, consequently decreasing the impact of the artwork and its communicative power. (Berry, 2012)


Figure 3.29 Google Maps location point physically built (Bartholl, 2006)


This bring us to reflect and question whether 3d architectural interpretations of glitch should be bought into physical reality or remain in the digital. It is important as a digital designer to understand the digital as a medium. Digital artists understand their internet platforms as their medium and stretch it like a painter stretches canvas to a frame. Cloning explains, "resizing the browser window yields different formal compositions. Separate elements of the page load at different rates depending on the speed of the user's internet connection. All of these technical considerations invite the immanent event into the art." (Cloning, 2010) Digital programs hold particular constraints, digital artists understand their media and entertain their platforms constraints just in the way analogue artists do. We start to see a meaningful trajectory of digital architectural interpretation of glitch in Dutch director Mischa Rozema's short film 'Sundays.' (Rozema, 2015) The film is set 50,000 years in the future where he imagines the built environment is able to repair itself in the way a glitch in technology sometimes repairs itself. Rozema is using digital ideas of glitches healing themselves without human intervention, and tiny mistakes that accumulate and change files to envisage this future environment. (Shipwright, 2015) The architectural interpretation of digital decay in this film is meaningful because it displays more than just glitch aesthetic, it is "forcing us to reposition the notion of glitch not just as mere curiosity but instead as something we should be on the lookout for- before the mistakes get too difficult to spot." (Shipwright, 2015) The medium of film also remains within the digital allowing the architectural expression to remain authentic. This research intends to remain in the digital throughout all design explorations and output to authentically employ glitch in digital architectural work flows, staying true to the medium in which it occurs to interpret digital decay with integrity.

Figure 3.30 Sundays Film Glitch healing architecture (Rozema, 2015)



Figure 3.31 Sundays Film
Glitch healing architecture
(Rozema, 2015)
"Glitch aesthetics instead is an underexplored process that exploits immediate transformations of binary information outside that of the figured form. In this way glitch aesthetics is a new procedural avenue of formal exploration within digital architecture. This new avenue is related to the algorithmic, however, the vital difference being that the designer cannot hone in on a particular solution. By extension, the glitch requires a rethinking of 'control', 'choice' and 'chance' within the production of digital architecture."
(Austin, 2015)

## METHODOLOGY

The methodology for this research is based on Donald Schön's model ‘The Reflective Practitioner’ (Schön, 1983) and its further refinement by Argyris and Schön (1974). This reflective approach of inquiry by design is characterized by three main transformational changes (governing valuables, action strategy and consequences) that lead to an alteration in the governing variables. The methodology is a loop of actions, reflections and reactions that engages in a process of continuous design enquiry, learning and development. This progression will generate not only a repertoire of designs, but through the critical reflection of the design process evaluate the outcomes for its fitness of further development.

The methodology undertaken is a reflective approach of inquiry by design that is characterised transformational changes that lead to an alteration in governing variables. The final test of the glitch is really its authenticity. Perhaps we dismiss a glitch so willingly because the digital does not hold the same level of authority as the analogue. Within this research we employ the methodology of transformational change to explore design emergence on the base of glitches or decayed files to generate a contemporary architectural interpretation of decayed data. By doing so, we aim to distil a certain degree of 'digital authenticity' that is inherit in both the digital code and the architectural design that the code represents. (Haslop, 2016)

‘The Hackaton' project led by Gilles Retsin (Retsin, 2014) is responsive to the appreciation of glitch aesthetics. Their methodology requires a single form to systematically change to develop an unexpected final design outcome, starting with a mesh figure and building upon this original geometry through iterative cloning, mirroring, adjusting and rotating each consequent piece of geometry. This is an additive process that generates a very unique form (Retsin, 2014), adding incentive for further deploying discrete elements such as glitch.


Figure 3.32 The Hackaton by Gilles Retsin (Retsin, 2014)

ogy Design Process



## PILOT STUDY

To test our approach, we conducted a pilot study as an initial design inquiry. The generative process began from creating a transformative method through which a glitched file was reinterpreted continuously until it resulted in a meaningful design outcome. The pilot study has helped us to understand how a circular reflective process can be brought into a digital architectural and multi-dimensional realm. With the help of a code we read a decayed file, translate it into an image, image into code and finally code to a form. The pilot study demonstrated that our methodology is in principle leading to a meaningful result. This work is included in the paper "Transcoding of Game Design into Museology: An Object-Oriented Perspective" proceedings for the Design Communications European Conference 2016 held in Istanbul. The paper describes, "photographs taken from the site assigned are hacked through their colour codes. Photography is turned into a platform for a two-way communication between pixels and the decoder. The simplicity of the process is aligned with algorithmic methods of object-orientated programming. Compartmentalization of a photo into pixels through hexadecimal (HEX) colour codes indicated a procedural generation outweighed by its aesthetics. The innocence of unknown pixels retrospectively changes the images by imposing new outcomes. Resulting in a floor slab, the glitches are presentative to a gap in knowledge that users must project their own understands in order to complete it." (Aydin, Schnabel, Moleta, 2016)






Figure 3.34 Pilot Study Design Process




Figure 3.35 Pilot Study final render images

FF 00 3C A4 FF 00 BE 0D 76 7F 8D 32 9B B2 9335 C3 C8 AF D7 63 FF 00 DF 26 A0 6D D2 90 3C B6 DC 07 A1 E9 5D EE 6A 33 F8 53 B6 D3 48 CD 79 DC 84023706 5F AE 4547 2B 2A F5 07 F5 AF 4320 1E A1 7F EF 9150 4A 8B B4 FC 89 FF 00 7C 8A 31462 B 86 B7 F9 F3 26 DC 0F BA 2B 1F 55 FE 64 FF 00 3A EB E7 C7 9B C2 80 3E 73 D3 D2 B8 6D 49 BE 7099 CE 46 6A 01 CC 9577 A4 759547 7A 71 E8 0D 32 AD 55 7A BF 0F 4A B3 2246 F1 3C 9B C2 95 4C E0 F5 2C 3B 7E 355233 C5 5852 2A 23 D6 AC 2F 4A A6 1722 9D E5 D4 E6 99 4B 462998 A8 4A D5 A3 50 E0 EE A5 14 D6 A8 36 1A BD 68523672 FD E2 60 3F DE 3D 2B AD D3 F4 7B 4B 8B 4B 79 A5 0F B9 C1 3C 1F 7A B7 FF 0008 F6 9B E9 3F FD FC A5 CD 43 9A E3 0720 9A 6C 6D 84 2B FE DE 6B B6 FF 0084 7E C3 18 DD 7207 FB E3 FC 29 9F F0 8E 69 E3 A4 9743 FE 04 BF E1 51 ED A7 F9 D5 C7 31 A5 B7 6011 D4 FF 001107 F2 AE BD BC 3B 65 FF 00 3D 6E 7F 35 FF 00 0A 8B FE 11 DB 3E D3 5C 7E 62902714 BE 7D 7359 F4 AF 45 B3 3E 569113 7F 72 D8 B7 E9 5889 E1 CB 62 7F E3 E2 7F D2 BA 4D 4611 6D A2 32 FF 00 CF 44 F2 01 FF 00 7B 8C D3 95 6A 3924 DD 5C 668771 F6 737329 FF 00 9F 59 5B F1 3515 8C AC B6 9293 FF 00 3C E5 AA 0A C6 11 71 1A F3 B9 3C 8C FD 79 CD 2C 12 11 1B 44064393 1F E7 53 1A 6E 6B A5 F0 90 FF 0049 3F F5 C3 FA D6 4E A4 7C DD 62 F1 BF E9 B6 C1 F8 002934 FD 4A 4D 2A 767487 CF FD DE CD B9 C7 7A 7411 BD ED E9 6E 15 E6 9249 CE 7B 63 F7 8471 ED 40 A4 CD 7A 61 529683 DA DB FF 0064 AE 0074 AF 43 9B 9D 3C C9 D3 7599 6F CD 2B CF BB OF A5 3690 56 0E A7 F7 E0 1E ED 593293 5A DA 8F FA F8 87 B3 5654 C2 9B 9A 78 A8 37 8A 6B 5446 8E D4 EC 52 D7 B5 79 D3 7F CF 59 3F 3A 6F DA 27 FF 00 9E CF 4629 B8 A4 A8 E9 DF 68 B8 FF 00 9E CD 47 DAAE 7F E7 A9 FC 8547 8A 6D 2515 2F DA EE 7F E7 AF FE 3A 29 3E D9 73 FD FF 00 D2 A1 C5 21 A2 8A 9B ED B7 3F DE 5F FB E6 93 ED B7 3E A9 FF 00 7C D4 1498 A2 8A 9B ED B7 1F EC 7F DF 34 C3 7B 71 FE C7 E5 FF 00 D7 A8 B1 4C 229296 A6 FB 6D C7 FD 33 FF 00 BE 7F FA F4 9F 6D 94 8E 89 FA D4 14 CA 0D 2815 4A 69 3F D2 B6 7A C4 3F EF A9 0D 71 5A A6 3E D8 E0 7F 0A A0 AD FB 89 9B ED D7 6C 3F E5 D6 5878 F5 09 F2 9158 7A AA 15 BD 9F DF 6B 7E 6B 9A 8A 21 F3 66 AD B7 DD AA 07 FD 5F D0 D4 22 A6 5F 4A 8C 8C 55 9A AF 53 AD 4C A6 AB AD 3F 38 A6 54 A2 A6 CD 253334 B9 A4 A7 53 E8 02 9C 8A 5D 82 A8 CB 37 41 5D 5D A5 A2 4312 6E 8D 7C E3 CB 93 C9 CF A5 2D 31 9A AF 69 B7 3B 2C 6D 9191 B7 2A FE 99 AB DF 6B 4F 46 AA 78 A5 DB 4955 EA E7 DA 93 D1 A8 FB 52 7A 3554 C5 3B 6D 1495 6C 4C 1B D6 9D 9A 8A 25 E2 AC 84 A7 53735244 E0 1E 86 AE EB 7C E8 79 FE E3 A9 C7 FC OA 8B 78391526 BA DE 5E 9327 BB C4 BF 4F 9853 C0 A4 1C 9A F3 23 1F CB 2C 8C 71 B5 F3 50 C2 3A 1C F4 7D D5 399436 F8 7078 1C FB 8A CE 57 6F 3719 E3 D2 8A 7D 74 3A 7693 3E A7 7122 C3 2245 B5 0312 DD 31 9A 9A 08 2E 2C 7528 E2 7546 6F 35 E0 1C F0 DB C6 CD DC FD 6B 7B C2 0B 9B 9B 9E 43 7F A3 C7 D3 DD 8D 579417 F1 05 B2 9E 7F D3 E4 1F 93 F1 4B 4D AE D2 FE 3F 27 4C 99 7F E7 9D 9E DF C4 2D 79 CF 61 F4 AF 4E D6 8634 DB CF FA E3 8F D6 BC CF 1C 0F A5 34 D2 D7 3B 7F FF 00 1F 68 3F E9 9F F5 AA 33 AD 69 5D C4 CD 77 B8 7411 OF E7 546746 A6 53 C5 6491 CD 3B 031526 C3 42 A1 CD 3E 96 BD 8C 8A 6E 29 E6 9B 4D A6 532931 4E A4 A2 9699 8A 6E 2A 4A 4A 29 2A 2C 5262 A4 A6 D2 5151 62 9B 8A 96 9B 45 2D 43 8A 63 FF 0007 FD 74 5F D3 9A 9E AA CB 27 5F 48 D5 B3 FE F1 E9 51 C9 D2 A6 84 7C D5 C6 C1 7006 A3 75 2C 837452191650 3D 37 1E 95 7A F6 D9 2F 2212 C0 CB 3145 1964 E7 A7 F7 BB F4 AC C8 5095 0F 8E 6490 BF FC 04 9E D5 D4 5A 69 C9 6E BB F9 F3 24 E7 F3 A5 DB E9 5A B6 562 F 7476 8A E5 7E CB 0E 3E F6 5B D2 A4 1A 63 B8 DD 8F 2D 3D 64 E2 BA DF B3 C5 1F EF 1828 DB C9 35 9A D9 93 F7 B2 74 FF 009671 F6 0B EA 7D 735281 5A 9F D8 4B 1F DE 35 CC 4D 69 E5 E3 CB 25 FD 4E 0E 2A BE C6 24 2E 3E 63 D2 B6 2E 9F 39 F6 AC 9D DC D1 595736 C8 87 E5 A6 B2 B2 1D AE 0A 9F 7E 2A 58 A2 6918 2A 0D C4 FA 55 A8 2E A6 C8 4710 DC A7 F7 27 C7 E8 D5 D2 DB 49101858 3E CC DD D7 6F F5 A4 35 9C DF 2D 32 D7 4C 8A 0D 92 1C B4 CB CF 5F 94 1F 6A D3 C5 30 1A 9734 DA 80 D1 8 A 7628 A7 52 D3 68 C5 3B 6D 28 A7 D1 495621 4E 2A E2 2D 4507 DC AB 91 8A 781519 AB D6 E9 54 7C 4C 3F E2 4F 2F FD 74 8F FF 0042 AD 680545 AB E9 B2 EA 96 6B 6B 14 A9 17 EF 91 DC BF 42 AB DB 8F 7A 7D 28 AF 20 B7 4D F3 DD FB 44 6B 34 FC AE D5 D5 5B E9 D7 31 EA 3A 95 AF D9 E5 69 3F D5 2614 F2 57 BF D0 F5 AB 17 BE 14 9A D7 49 9F 56 9E 70 A6 346636 CC 98 6E 38 C7 E2 68 C7 34 FC D6 B7 809732 DD FF 00 D7 08 7F 99 AB 0B 16 7C 5502 8F E0 BB 76 3E DD 68 F8 7A 39 BD 6F FA 61 6D FA E6 BB 0B 4D 06 3B 6D 4A 6D 48 CC 65925791 C0 2B F7 7C CE D9 CF 6E 9D 294 F 14 CC 51 E2 2E 34 AB B3 EC A3 F3 71 5E 69 8A F4 BF 13 1C 69 13 FB BC 63 FF 00 1F 15 E7 03 AD 30 D4 98 AA B2 5A 3B 659467 8A A2 F6 0E 7B 57650463 67 D4 5385 B8 CF DD 1528 4D C2 9A 4E DA E0 0E 9921 3C 0A 917489 7A E2 BD 0C 5A A7 A5 44 F1 AA F4 A7 794293 CC A4 A4 A6 E6 933556 9F 4E A4 A6 E6 93349452 D2 5266 8A

## CHAPTER THREE



## FATEFULL FINDINGS

A folder of 211 photographs taken on a fuchsia Motorola razr in 2007 were stored on a hardrive, today 9 years later every single one of these files open glitched. The files remained untouched, stored on a hardrive for 9 years subsequently opened to find new visual interpretations of wild colours and dramatic shifts in pixels due to digital decay. With zero human intervention or manipulation to the binary code of these images, the new visual interpretations present us with rich visual information discussing natural digital decay as oppose to forced intentional glitching. Digital files are made up of a binary code of 1's and 0's. The combination and assemblage of these 1's and 0's code the visuals that we view on screen. We must understand that the code does not alter through digital decay, the shift is in the visual interpretation (how the code is read). With constant digital updates we neglect to consider how the old binary codes may continue to be read, and this reveals glitch as a reinterpretation of code, an opportunity for a digital antique. Goodwin discusses in the paper 'Architecture And Consciousness - God In Reverse' an old suitcase in one of Liebskind's buildings forming a powerful extension to the meaning of architecture, going on to write, "but imagine today's suitcase uncovered in the future, holding a laptop computer, iPhone and other fragments of technological memory, waiting to have their software deciphered and plugged into the memory banks of a new consciousness enhancing architecture." (Goodwin, 2013) Upon finding this folder of glitched images there were no feelings of loss or panic but instead feelings of curiosity and opportunity. This is not the general consensus as digital restoration is the favored reaction, however these finding were fateful in that we could see glitch as a potential test within architectural design as Goodwin suggests.


Figure 4.36 Natural Glitches found on a hardrive device, opened on a Macbook Pro








## JPEGSNOOP

JPEGsnoop freeware decodes digital files providing a detailed report to analyze the source or perhaps put a particular files digital binary to a test of authenticity. Creator of JPEGsnoop Calvin Hass writes, "every digital photo contains a wealth of hidden information. JPEGsnoop was written to expose these details to those who are curious." (Hass, 2015) We randomly selected one image from the 211 files found glitched on a hardrive. Blairecooking.jpeg was created on the 24th March 2007. JPEGsnoop was able to produce the visually legible original image and provide a full report detailing the binary code of this specific digital file that was naturally appearing glitched.


Figure 4.37 Blairecooking.jpeg natural glitch perception

Information can be conceptualised as "an entity distinct from the substrates carrying it." (Hayles, 1999) One can think of information as a "kind of bodiless fluid that could flow between different substrates without loss of meaning or form." (Hayles, 1999) The detailed background information provided by JPEGsnoop can serve as this 'bodiless fluid' much more meaningful that the numerical data we began with, information can be taken into new interpretation through computation design processes to then create meaningful form.


Figure 4.38 Blairecooking.jpeg legible image retrieved
through JPEGsnoop

JPEGsnoop 1.7 .5 by Calvin Hass
http://www.impulseadventure.com/photo/

Filename: [blaire cooking.jpg]
Filesize: [11793] Bytes
Start Offset: 0x00000000
*** Marker: SOI (xFFD8) ***
OFFSET: 0x00000000
*** Marker: APP1 (xFFE1) ***

OFFSET: 0x00000002
Identifier $\quad=$ Exif]
Identifier TIFF $=0 x[4 D 4 D 002 \mathrm{~A} 00000008]$
Endian $\quad$ Motorola (big)
TAG Mark x002A $=0 x 002 \mathrm{~A}$
EXIF IFDO @ Absolute 0x00000014
Dir Length $=0 x 0005$
[XResolution ] = 72/1
[YResolution
[ResolutionUnit
[YCbCrPositioning
[ExifOffset
] $=72 / 1$
] $=$ Inch
] = Centered

Offset to Next IFD $=0 x 0000005 \mathrm{~A}$

EXIF IFD1 @ Absolute 0x00000066
Dir Length $=0 \times 0006$
[Compression ] = JPEG
[XResolution ] = 72/1
[YResolution ] = 72/1
[ResolutionUnit
[JpegIFOffset
] $=$ Inch
[JpegIFByteCount
] $=$ @ $+0 \times 0106=$ @ $0 \times 0112$
Offset to Next IFD $=0 \times 00000000$
EXIF SubIFD @ Absolute $0 \times 000000 \mathrm{C} 4$
Dir Length $=0 x 0006$
[ExifVersion
[ComponentsConfiguration
] $=02.10$
[FlashPixVersion
[ColorSpace
= [Y Cb Cr .]
] =
[ExifImageWidth
= sRGB
[ExifImageHeight
] $=0 \times[00000140] / 320$
] $=0 x[000000 \mathrm{~F} 0] / 240$
*** Marker: DQT (xFFDB) ***
Define a Quantization Table.
OFFSET: 0x000006EE
Table length $=67$
Precision=8 bits
Destination ID=0 (Luminance)
DQT, Row \#0: $8 \quad 8 \quad 8 \quad 8 \quad 8 \quad 9 \quad 10$

DQT, Row \#1: | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 13 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

DQT, Row \#2: $8 \quad 8 \quad 8 \quad 9 \quad 10 \quad 11 \quad 12 \quad 14$

DQT, Row \#3: | 8 |
| :--- |
| 8 | $9 \quad 11 \quad 12 \quad 14$

DQT, Row \#4: $8 \quad 9 \quad 10 \quad 12 \quad 15$
DQT, Row \#5: $\quad 9 \quad 10 \quad 11 \quad 14$

DQT, Row \#6: 10 | 11 | 12 | 15 | 21 | 28 | 36 | 51 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

DQT, Row \#7: 12 | 13 | 14 | 18 | 25 | 36 | 51 | 63 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Approx quality factor $=83.53$ (scaling=32.95 variance=276.19)

Quantitization Table displays sensitivity in frequen-
cy, one for luminance and one for chromiance.
*** Marker: DQT (xFFDB) ***
Define a Quantization Table.
OFFSET: 0x00000733
Table length $=67$
Precision=8 bits
Destination ID=1 (Chrominance)

| DQT, Row \#0: | 7 | 7 | 10 | 19 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| DQT, Row \#1: | 7 | 8 | 10 | 28 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 |
| DQT, Row \#2: | 10 | 10 | 23 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 |
| DQT, Row \#3: | 19 | 28 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 |
| DQT, Row \#4: | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 |
| DQT, Row \#5: | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 |
| DQT, Row \#6: | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 |
| DQT, Row \#7: | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 |
| Approx quality factor $=79.00$ | (scaling $=42.00$ | variance=1.19) |  |  |  |  |  |  |

*** Marker: SOFO (Baseline DCT) (xFFCO) ***
OFFSET: 0x00000778
Frame header length $=17$
Precision = 8
Number of Lines $=240$
Samples per Line = 320
Image Size $=320 \times 240$
Raw Image Orientation = Landscape
Number of Img components $=3$
Component [1]: ID=0x00, Samp Fac=0x22 (Subsamp $1 \times 1$ ), Quant Tbl Sel=0x00 (Lum: Y)
Component[2]: ID=0x01, Samp Fac=0x11 (Subsamp 2 x 2 ), Quant Tbl Sel=0x01 (Chrom:
Cb)
Component[3]: ID=0x02, Samp Fac=0x11 (Subsamp 2 x 2 ), Quant Tbl Sel=0x01 (Chrom:
Cr)
*** Marker: DHT (Define Huffman Table) (xFFC4) ***
OFFSET: 0x0000078B
Huffman table length $=31$
---- DHT Class $=0 \mathrm{ID}=0$ Used for DC component of
Destination $I D=0$
Class $=0$ (DC / Lossless Table)
Codes of length 01 bits (000 total):
Codes of length 02 bits (001 total): 00
Codes of length 03 bits (005 total): 0102030405
Codes of length 04 bits (001 total): 06
Codes of length 05 bits (001 total): 07
Codes of length 06 bits (001 total): 08
Codes of length 07 bits (001 total): 09
Codes of length 08 bits (001 total): 0A
Codes of length 09 bits (001 total): OB
Codes of length 10 bits (000 total):
Codes of length 11 bits (000 total):
Codes of length 12 bits (000 total): One ot the most significant contributors to a JPEG
Codes of length 13 bits ( 000 total):
Codes of length 14 bits (000 total):
Codes of length 15 bits (000 total):
Codes of length 16 bits (000 total):
Total number of codes: 012
*** Marker: DHT (Define Huffman Table) (xFFC4) ***
OFFSET: 0x000007AC
Huffman table length $=181$
Destination $I D=0$
miance (Y)
Class = 1 (AC Table)
Codes of length 01 bits (000 total):

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    Codes of length 02 bits (002 total): 01 02
    Codes of length 03 bits (001 total): 03
    Codes of length 04 bits (003 total): 00 04 11
    Codes of length 05 bits (003 total): 05 12 21
    Codes of length 06 bits (002 total): 3141
    Codes of length 07 bits (004 total): 06 13 51 61
    Codes of length 08 bits (003 total): 07 22 71
    Codes of length 09 bits (005 total): 14 32 81 91 A1
    Codes of length 10 bits (005 total): 08 23 42 B1 C1
    Codes of length 11 bits (004 total): 15 52 D1 F0
    Codes of length 12 bits (004 total): 24 33 62 72
    Codes of length 13 bits (000 total):
    Codes of length 14 bits (000 total):
    Codes of length 15 bits (001 total): 82
    Codes of length 16 bits (125 total): 09 0A 16 17 18 19 1A 25 26 27 28 29 2A 34 35
Total number of codes: 162
*** Marker: DHT (Define Huffman Table) (xFFC4) ***
OFFSET: 0x00000863
Huffman table length \(=31\)
DHT Class =01D=1 Used for DC component of
Destination ID \(=1\)
Class \(=0\) (DC / Lossless Table)
Codes of length 01 bits (000 total): Codes of length 02 bits (001 total): 00
Codes of length 03 bits (005 total): 0102030405
Codes of length 04 bits (001 total): 06
Codes of length 05 bits (001 total): 07
Codes of length 06 bits (001 total): 08
Codes of length 07 bits (001 total): 09
Codes of length 08 bits (001 total): 0A
Codes of length 09 bits (001 total): OB
Codes of length 10 bits (000 total):
Codes of length 11 bits (000 total):
Codes of length 12 bits (000 total):
Codes of length 13 bits (000 total):
Codes of length 14 bits (000 total):
Codes of length 15 bits (000 total):
Codes of length 16 bits (000 total):
Total number of codes: 012
*** Marker: DHT (Define Huffman Table) (xFFC4) ***
OFFSET: 0x00000884
Huffman table length \(=181\)
Destination ID = 1
DHT Class \(=1 \mathrm{ID}=1\) Used for AC component of
Class = 1 (AC Table)
Codes of length 01 bits (000 total):
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    Codes of length 02 bits (002 total): 01 02
    Codes of length 03 bits (001 total): 03
    Codes of length 04 bits (003 total): 00 04 11
    Codes of length 05 bits (003 total): 05 12 21
    Codes of length 06 bits (002 total): 3141
    Codes of length 07 bits (004 total): 06 13 51 61
    Codes of length 08 bits (003 total): 07 22 71
    Codes of length 09 bits (005 total): 14 32 81 91 A1
    Codes of length 10 bits (005 total): 08 23 42 B1 C1
    Codes of length 11 bits (004 total): 15 52 D1 F0
    Codes of length 12 bits (004 total): 24 33 62 72
    Codes of length 13 bits (000 total):
    Codes of length 14 bits (000 total):
    Codes of length 15 bits (001 total): 82
    Codes of length 16 bits (125 total): 09 0A 16 17 18 19 1A 25 26 27 28 29 2A 34 35
Total number of codes: 162
*** Marker: SOS (Start of Scan) (xFFDA) ***
    OFFSET: 0x0000093B
    Scan header length = 12
    Number of img components = 3
        Component[1]: selector=0x00, table=0 (DC),0(AC)
        Component[2]: selector=0x01, table=0 (DC),0(AC)
        Component[3]: selector=0x02, table=0 (DC),0(AC)
    Spectral selection = 0 .. 63
    Successive approximation = 0x00
*** Decoding SCAN Data ***
    OFFSET: 0x00000949
    Scan Decode Mode: No IDCT (DC only)
        NOTE: Low-resolution DC component shown. Can decode full-res with [Options->Scan
Segment->Full IDCT]
    Scan Data encountered marker 0xFFD9 @ 0x00002E0F.0
    Compression stats:
        Compression Ratio: 24.48:1
        Bits per pixel: 0.98:1
    Huffman code histogram stats:
    Huffman Table: (Dest ID: 0, Class: DC)
            # codes of length 01 bits: 0 ( 0%)
            # codes of length 02 bits: 183 ( 10%)
            # codes of length 03 bits: 1325 ( 74%)
            # codes of length 04 bits: 202 ( 11%)
            # codes of length 05 bits: 88 ( 5%)
            # codes of length 06 bits: 2 ( 0%)
            # codes of length 07 bits: 0 ( 0%)
```

| \# codes of length 08 bits: | 0 | $(0 \%)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| \# codes of length 09 bits: | 0 | $(0 \%)$ |
| \# codes of length 10 bits: | 0 | $(0 \%)$ |
| \# codes of length 11 bits: | 0 | $(0 \%)$ |
| \# codes of length 12 bits: | 0 | $(0 \%)$ |
| \# codes of length 13 bits: | 0 | $(0 \%)$ |
| \# codes of length 14 bits: | 0 | $(0 \%)$ |
| \# codes of length 15 bits: | 0 | $(0 \%)$ |
| \# codes of length 16 bits: | 0 | $(0 \%)$ |


Huffman Table: (Dest ID: 0, Class: AC)

Huffman Table: (Dest ID: 1, Class: AC)
\# codes of length 01 bits: 0 ( $-1 \%$ )
\# codes of length 02 bits: 0 ( $-1 \%$ )
\# codes of length 03 bits: 0 ( $-1 \%$ )
\# codes of length 04 bits: 0 ( $-1 \%$ )
\# codes of length 05 bits: 0 ( $-1 \%$ )
\# codes of length 06 bits: 0 ( $-1 \%$ )
\# codes of length 07 bits: 0 ( $-1 \%$ )
\# codes of length 08 bits: 0 ( $-1 \%$ )
\# codes of length 09 bits: 0 ( $-1 \%$ )
\# codes of length 10 bits: 0 ( -1\%)
\# codes of length 11 bits: 0 ( $-1 \%$ )
\# codes of length 12 bits: 0 ( $-1 \%$ )
\# codes of length 13 bits: 0 ( $-1 \%$ )
\# codes of length 14 bits: 0 ( $-1 \%$ )
\# codes of length 15 bits: 0 ( $-1 \%$ )
\# codes of length 16 bits:
( $-1 \%$ )

```
    YCC clipping in DC:
    Y component: [<0=
    Cb component: [ <0=
    Cr component: [<0=
0] [>255=
0]
0] [>255= 0]
[>255=
RGB clipping in DC:
    R component: [ <0=
    G component: [<0=
0]
0] [>255=
0] [>255= 0]
```

JPEGsnoop also divides the image up into an MC table which stand tor minimum code Unit We can see in the images above that the pixels in the GIifched image seem to have glitched within the MCu grid. Using JPEGsnoop's positioned mark nol we are able to get data $X$ pach MCU square within the grid. The ID values show the DHT (De fined Huffman Table) class

Average Pixel Luminance (Y):
$Y=[106]$ (range: 0..255)

Brightest Pixel Search:
$\mathrm{YCC}=[768,0,-7] \operatorname{RGB}=[222,224,224]$ @ $\operatorname{MCU}[16,5]$
Finished Decoding SCAN Data
Number of RESTART markers decoded: 0
Next position in scan buffer: Offset 0x00002E0E. 5

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*** Marker: EOI (End of Image) (xFFD9) ***
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    OFFSET: 0x00002E0F
    *** Searching Compression Signatures ***
Signature: 01C61C96C4E7C1C3E4D439B14FAA65A5
Signature (Rotated) : 01C61C96C4E7C1C3E4D439B14FAA65A5
File Offset: 0 bytes
Chroma subsampling: 2x2
EXIF Make/Model: NONE
EXIF Makernotes: NONE
EXIF Software: NONE
Searching Compression Signatures: (3347 built-in, 0 user(*) )
EXIF.Make / Software EXIF.Model Quality
Subsamp Match?
$\qquad$

Based on the analysis of compression characteristics and EXIF metadata:
ASSESSMENT: Class 1 - Image is processed/edited
This may be a new software editor for the database.
If this file is processed, and editor doesn't appear in list above, PLEASE ADD TO DATABASE with [Tools->Add Camera to DB]

Figure 4.39 JPEGsnoop Report for Blairecooking.jpeg file (Hass, 2016)

MCU GRID
Interestingly JPEGsnoop automatically visually overlaid a minimum coded unit grid (MCU grid) the typical compression format for most JPEG files. Hass writes, "JPEG images are partitioned into MCUs before they are encoded (the basic JPEG compression algorithm works on these MCUs independently)." (Hass, pers. Comm. December 8, 2016) There is a noticeable visual relationship between the way in which the digital file has glitched and the organizational structure of the MCU grid employed in jpeg file compression. The glitched perception is a seemingly random arrangement of wild colourful pixels, however JPEGsnoop’s MCU system has confirmed that the arrangement is not random (computers never are.) The arrangement of glitched pixels sits roughly within this MCU grid.

Hass writes, "because of the way JPEG compression is designed, images are stored in tightly-packed streams of binary bits. Each pixel can be represented by as few as 2 bits to as many as 26 bits. To make matters worse, in an effort to keep the compression as efficient as possible, there is virtually nothing to indicate where you are in the stream of bits (unless Restart Markers are used). Therefore, as soon as a single bit is encountered wrong, the millions of bits that follow will be decoded incorrectly as well. The manner in which DC and AC coefficients are arranged in MCUs means that this corruption often shows up in shearing, wild colour shifts and many other visual phenomena." (Hass, 2015) Wading through the jargon of this sentence we conclude the image is coded as a string of bits where if one goes wrong then consequently they all do, and that there is no way to find where in the image that corrupt 'bit' is unless a specific tool called 'restart marker' is utilized. Restart marker tool was employed to generate a numerically ordered dataset to refine the binary code behind each MCU square.

## E.g. Position Marked @ MCU=[ 2, 0] (1,0) Block=[ 5, 0] YCC=[ 88, 0, 0]

In this equation the MCU values show the X and Y co-ordinates within the grid. The ID values show the DHT (Defined Huffman Table) class, which can be one of four options; 0, 0- used for DC component of luminance, 1, 0- used for AC component of luminance, 0, 1- used for DC component of chrominance ( $\mathrm{Cb} \& \mathrm{Cr}$ ) and 1, 1- used for AC component of chrominance ( $\mathrm{Cb} \& \mathrm{Cr}$.) The block value shows the discrete cosine transform coefficients (DCT) and finally the YCC values being, $\mathrm{Y}=$ luminance, $\mathrm{Cb}=$ chrominance, and $\mathrm{Cr}=$ chrominance.


Figure 4.40 Legible image automatically overlayed with Jpegsnoops MCU grid (left), MCU grid numerical ordering system (middle) Glitched image manually overlayed with MCU grid to show visual relationship (right).

What can we do with this data to start to interpret digitally decayed code through architectural form? How can the breakdown of a code that builds a visual image become a code that builds a visual form? How can we use the code to shift the visual perception from two dimension to three dimensional interpretations?

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Figure 4.41 Blairecooking.jpeg legible image with MCU grid autmoatically overlayed in JPEGsnoop (Hass, 2016)

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Figure 4.42 MCU Grid system with position marker data co-ordinates


Figure 4.43 Glitched image with MCU grid manually overlayed showing a visual relationship between the calculated MCU grid and the way in which the pixels have glitched

## MCU CITY PLAN

Reading the MCU grid as a conventional architectural plan, we can begin to perceive each separate MCU square as separate cubes. In a dense urban city buildings sit tightly packed side by side. As each building goes up they must react to one another and form according to their neighbors. If we were to treat the MCU grid as a city plan and each MCU cube as a building, we can employ the position marker datasets to dictate unique spatial manipulations specific to each MCU square building, beginning to interpret how these MCU cubes sit next to one another in a 3d environment. This is comparative to real life city planning such as New York. Schumacher believes "our ambition as architects and urban designers must be to spatially unfold more simultaneous choices of communicative situations in dense, perceptually palpable, and legible arrangements." (Schumacher, 2012) Treating the MCU grid as a city plan and the position marker data as an entity distinctive from the substrates carrying it, (Hayles, 1999) we can begin to unfold dense architectural formations with a vast variety of choices of communicative spatial situations. (Schumacher, 2012) The MCU grid is not constrained to any specific scale as it remains ambiguously in the digital resulting in the viewer being able to imagine these cubes at numerous different scales.

## CODE TO FORM

Grasshopper3D (GH) as a computational spatial generation and design instrument enables us to define a code, turning decayed file data values into 3D spatial outcomes. For example; the MCU grid draws 300 square sections on the glitched image. Using the function 'image sampler' within GH, the RGB colour values for each glitched MCU square are translated to XYZ co-ordinates. Every input in the GH definition is dictated by the position marker data retrieved from JPEGsnoop for each particular MCU square, creating 300 unique cubes that not only truly represent digital decay but reinterpret it into form. Weisskopf from H3K wrote, "as soon as you understand a tool enough to use it in a way not originally intended, you also understand the politics that are incorporated into its design." (H3K, 2015) Through this specific custom method GH as a parametric design tool is put to an authenticity test. GH is often employed as a tool to spit out numerous different solutions to a problem from one code much more rapidly than a human could; contrastingly here GH is employed very differently in the way all inputs in the code are dictated by the position marker data of that specific cube, therefore there is only one possible outcome per MCU square. The GH code instead is applied to all 300 cubes and inputs are shifted by specific position marker data, comparative to one GH code creating 300 unique outputs as usually demonstrated. Through our methodology, human intervention is excluded and there is no selection of best or worst form, instead an authentic formal interpretation of decayed data. The initial glitched image represents the unexpected and unforeseen occurrences that in reality test the resilience of contemporary urban design methods. The results of the here-applied methodology is exemplary to taming the wild impacts of the decomposing a rigid structure. To respond to glitches with flexibility, associations should be improved further between the design and context elements.

Figure 4.44 3d diagrammatic studies

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Figure 4.46 Grasshopper3d Code, colour coded to explain specific inputs dictated by the position marker data


Figure 4.47 MCU grid system defines individual visual squares of glitch perception that through GH dictate differentiating individual 3d cube forms due to their unique position marker data input into GH code



Figure 4.48300 unique 3d cubes arranged in correct MCU grid system positioning




Figure 4.49 3d output creating unique and unimaginable digital spaces both in form and in void due to their arrangement within the MCU gridding system


## PART TO WHOLE

Alignment is found between the initial design outcome and Schumacher's 'part to whole' theory. Patrik Schumacher (2012, p1) is an advocate for formal order. Schumacher's 'parametricism,' "enforces homogeneity that priorities topological deformation rather than privileging the design of specific objects." (Austin, 2015) Schumacher presented a lecture, 'Composition, Decomposition and Re-composition' during the Parallelism in Architecture, Environment \& Computing Techniques Conference 2016 where in which this research was alongside presented. Schumacher talked about parametricisms 'part to whole' relationships saying, "there is a mutual interdependent determination... Parts are individualized within the complex of the whole but also the whole is often the constant of those elements. Part properties and processes are determined by then nature of the overall processes which is as their differentiation if you like. So the parts are only individual at first and defined in reference in relation to each other and the whole. They do not behave relevantly or possess their important characteristic independent from each other... Sometimes we cannot even point to a part unless in the context to a certain whole." (Schumacher, 2016) An excellent demonstrative precedent is Retsin's 'Sucheon Art Platofrm' consisting of 278 elements, initially structurally weak but gain strength through redundant combination, assembling together into a highly differentiated spatial assembly 'whole.' (Retsin, 2016) The 300 unique cube forms determined by digital decayed data can stand alone but are parts that make up a whole. Each separate cube is interesting alone however the spatial moments the cubes collectively create are further compelling.


Without variation in the specific inputs in each code, the unit would be a mundane cube. The mundane cube can be representational of a system that does not allow for unexpected interventions. When we apply our code from the glitched image, the cube starts to reveal opportunities that glitch this system. The methodology has an appreciation of an opportunity that the glitch brings about. Where there is a claim for perfection and mechanisation without 'unexpectedness' (which is most of the time) this methodology can be introduced. OReilly writes, "in every case with design, it has to be intentional. Even if there are chaotic elements, it still has to be intentional or controlled in some way-otherwise you're just showing off the tools and probably not communicating an idea." (OReilly in interview with Rourke, 2013) While the system creates 300 unexpected chaotic cube forms, there is controlled intent within the system resulting in an authentic interpretation of digitally decayed data.

## REFLECTION

Bruno Latour's Actor-Network Theory (ANT) links all objects to relations in social networks (Latour, 2005). In this body of research, glitches are treated as objects in relationship to a network of 3D spatial elements offering multidimensional possibilities. Although an ontological difference could be regarded as unpassable, questioning what the fourth dimension might look like would help understand the multidimensional characteristics of architectural space. In association to higher level systems, a glitch can have a bittersweet quality by articulating the whole complexity with disturbance. A criticism of Latour's ANT is that the reduction of objects into relations casts off the potentiality behind the investigation of objects (Harman, 2009). The result of the preliminary work indicates that only an independent object itself (e.g. an artificial intelligence (Al) generation of glitch) can give an exact answer whether its self-existence is possible. However, a clear methodology of transformational changes exploring decayed files enables us to generate 3D architectural interpretations of the numerical data behind the decayed image. As the visualisation of a glitch is the interpretation of meaningful data, one can argue that the underlying data remains authentic, while only its communication and interpretation has changed. This interpretation is its own independent parameter or dimension. In an email conversation with creator of JPEGsnoop Calvin Hass elaborated on these points writing, "in fact, this perspective is actually more accurate than most realize -- the corruption people observe in their digital images can often just be a "misplaced interpretation" of the original data. In many cases, the original data is still available [somewhere] on the media device in its entirety! What became damaged were the keys to the interpretation process... Following your analogy above, the "interpretation" of an original image is a combination of the JPEG decoder algorithm and the file allocation table. If the directory tables get corrupted, then the interpretations become "misplaced" -- I say misplaced because it leads to random merges of portions of unrelated files which can lead to interesting visual anomalies." (Hass, pers. Comm. 2016)

Here we reach a point where we possess a compelling collection of 300 individual 3d forms arranged linearly in a gridding system generating countless inconceivable spaces open to a variety of scale interpretations. We understand that in computer spatial generating programs we are able to orbit, pan and zoom through the 3d digital spaces exploring the unexpected, unimaginable formal outcomes. However we later conventionally designate a legible camera angle in which we render out as a moment in time to communicate the formal discoveries with our audience. This conventional 2d presentational method completely flattens our 3d form that was originally created with the intention to progress away from the planar and into 3d. This conventional presentational method within digital architectural production leads us to question and challenge why we develop a digital 3d form to then present it back in 2d? The 3d spatial model exists within the digital thus we are not able to walk around in it (without VR) however upon reflection we feel for this research to authentically push the field of glitch from 2d representation to 3d interpretation, at this point we must explore alternative mediums for both design discovery and communication.


## FUBAR EXHIBITION

The visual design outcomes of this process were exhibited by /'fu:bar/ in Siva Galerija, Croatia on September 19th 2016. Fubar is a multimedia event focusing on discovering and displaying errors in the process of creating new media art. (Fubar, 2016) The work was exhibited at AKC Gallery in Croatia alongside many other new media artists.


Figure 4.51 FUBAR exhibition (Fubar, 2016)

B9 93 6C 60 F1 1A 8F BF 2B 7D 7B 2D 6B 4B AB EC 7B 8F 9B E4 6F F5 6D D4 57 0D E2 0633 243759 CF 952608 FA F4 A9 FE E8 A6 56 5C 57 1B B5 13 F6 AC C9 03 FD F0 3B 6 E 1827 B5 76 CB 1F EE 1236 3B BC A5 0A 1B D7 67 7A E3 7C AD AB 14 A5 B6 9D 84 E3 1D 79 AE B2 D2 40 F6 70 B7 AA 9A 4805 6B E9 6C 7710 2B 3E 7E 24 3F 4A A0 9F EB 7E B5 76 7C 97 6A CF 27 63 E7 D0 D4 D2 57 A0 C1 F7 2B 86 B3 944373 7A AC 7065 F3 22 4F AE FF 00 F0 AB BA 3709 72 3B 8337 EB C5 51 D5 22 F2 2F E7 03 A3 3798 3F E0 55 6B 4A 9479 CE 9F C4 EA 3F 1E 6A BF 7A E6 C3 ED B9 F2 DA A6 D4 E3 FD FC 5128 E1 2252 DF 88 A9 A3 1F E8 C7 D2 AF 5E C5 BC C8 DE AA 06 7D B1 50 A2 E2 35 4F 4F 6A 0D 6834 3B 6626 B9 9946 1C D4 5572 EB 1E 63 9E 9E 99 EB 550114 DA E6 2E 46 1C 8A 9A 393655 F4 BB 4039 C9 AC 9342 E6 92 B3 CA D6 8C 9324 AB B5 93 E8 7B 8A 890842 AC 33953919 A8 F6 9A 69 A6 D2 E0 5693 EA 37 0E BB 1D A3 DB E9 E5 27 F3 AA CF 79 3B 2F 9667 9B CB FF 00 9E 7B C8 4F FB E6 A9 E6 9280 31 D2 86 6C D4 9E 61 A3 71 A7 4304 B3 B6 C8 63 69 5B FD 91 FD 6B 5D 74 E4 B7 52 D7 4774 9F F3 CD 7A 0F AD 29205379 AC 8C 9A 5C D5 89 9D 11 CF CA BB 7038 FF 00 F5 55 7C A1 E4 1029 E5 6A 3D F4 8F 92 B5 2C 48 5E 3D E0 7F AB 3B 5B FC 6A 1D FC E2 AF 5937 FA DE 323664 8F A5 02 9A D5 BF E1 8D 36 6D 4355 B7 3139 8A 3B 39926966 FE EE D3 9551 FE D3 62 BD E6 BC 7B C2 BA 65 D3 EA 36 DA 909561 B7 CE F3 1293 B9 C6 3186 1D 2B D7 D8 E1 49 F4 04 D3 CF 4A 6673 5E 77 E2 8B 90 F7 8A 80 FF 00 A9 42 3F 5A E0 E6 CB BE 3D 6B A8 D5 1834 F3 C8 7B B1 AE 71 3E 79 4F B5 41 D5 AA F7 DC 8A B3 F4 93 FE 9529 F4 90 FE 95 EA 3A 48 DD 0035 E5 9A 37 DE 90 FF 00 B4 F5 EA FA 08 6F B3 E5 8F 6A BC 9598 FD 6B 4D B3 D3 15 9F 3C 6715 B5 B0 9E E0 5549 ED D4 64 E4 B1 A9 15 E9 95 E3 16 EF 2C C8 1E 56 F3 1F E9 C6 3B 55 F8 4A 80 C5 C8 55 5E C3 BD 63 FC AB C6 E2 31 EF 4B 8490 6D 6976 FF 00 C0 AB 3586 6A 5351 DC DC 7E F0 9E 0F 3C 0F 6E D9 AD DF 0F 6A 82 D6 49 FF 00 D1 E0 8C 4909 5F 9072 C7 DF DA B9 89212725 4E 6A CD 9146 CA 12 CB 37 6E 38 C5 4807 A5 2F 6A EC ED 7F B3 6695 3E D8 EC 8F CF 1101 B4 F3 F5 1C 5375 E9 96 E0 8F DD 08 8D B8 F2 CC 8B FC 68 BD 0D 7357 0C B0 C0 418834 AA 3707 DC 4303 EA 3B 7E 94 D5 D7 2E 1A D5 ED 255564923284 F7 C7 F9 F5 A8 B6 1A AB E4 367354 1E 7F 9C FF 0073 B5 76 FE 1297 6C 77 8D B8 0337 EE F9 E3 E5 1F FD 7A E0 A4 5F 933572 C7 5192 D4 6140 C7 BD 4C 95 6B 1915 E8 1773 B2 3F 91 FD DE 78 F5 AC DB 90 D3 8443 F7 7702 7D F1 55 AD AF BE D5 9695 A3 47 F4 F5 AB F6 88 D7 97 4D 12 B2 ED 48 5D 8F D0 0A 1D B2 68 DB B4 56 D1 D0 65 B8 B6 2D BF CB 9E 1B 7122 A1 E5 5D 3F D9 C7 4E 94 FB 4F F8 F5 8F A7 19 1C 74 E2 A0 B8 BD 95 6C 26 D9 71 2C 53 5B 2372 AD 86 F2 B1 CA 7D 2A 8F 87 AE 96 E6 CE 7D A7 3E 5C A3 F0 DD 4E 898135 A1 A4 9F DF 55 C9 D7 AD 62 4C 7E 66 F6 AD C9 FB FB 57 3B 707 E 66 A9 64 AF 4380 FC 9585 AC 26 EF 2A 5E FD 0F E0 2B 01 5D A2 7591 7E F4 6735 D0 5F 9D D1 E2 B9 F3 55 EB 9C D4 FF 00 D6 E4 5774 D7 16 CF 60 2F 5A 44 8E DC 28 DE DF ED 0F E1 1E F9 AE 5E E7 51 9A 6F 960 C C3 1F A9 C6 F3 F4 C7 DD A8 F4 FF 00 2A 49 A2 B4 BA DC 6D 9E 4C AA EE C0 1291 D6 B5 AF 34 E8 E1 242834 C6 7C 7151 5C 6A 12 CC 98 5A E6 F1 F5 FC 79 A3 156648 F6 D4 3466 B1 0D 489134 9F 76 B5 A1 D3 58 2E E6 15 9F 6771 F6 797763 70 E9 8AD1 9752 9E 4C A2 A0 41 4D 39 A0 6D EF 50 CE AA 95 9A C6 A7 70 ED C9 6C D3 36 01 D6 9454 4C E2 A2 0A 4D 3D 36 2B 2E 70 DC F2 0F 4F A5 4B CE 3E 50 6A 9F 93 2F A1 A9 53 1D EA 12 D9 AE C2 1D 4B 1008 E0 8E 18 B0 3F 8171 F8 D6 4C F7 2F 960 C9 CD 65 AC 77 0B D1 4D 4B 8948 E5 2A E8 16 CD D6 99 B9 C5 4370 DB 855415 7F C9 90 F5 18 A6 7D 94 D5 79 0A E7 8A 2A 05 AB 5148 F1 6F D9 8C B0 DB F8 52 AD B1 5E 7A D0 A3 7C 8883 BF 15 1668 AF 63 F0 A2 62 0B 5F FA E4 B5 DB DD 36 DB 79 8F FB 06 BC BB 42 D7 3E C2 F0 C3 24 0655 CA C5 F2 F0 4678 CD 7A 5E A4 7165 3F FB B4 E6 E6 9A A2 BC A2 FE 4E 1B DC 9A CC B7 1F 24 8E 7B 2B 5497 EF 96 DB 52 ED D9 6929 FF 00 A6 2D FC AA 2157 6E 9B 8C 562 E 80 BB BF 12 F5 EC 7A 4C 2896 CB DE BC 9F C3 76 EF 34 67 6A 96 FA 0C F5 AF 4882 0B CB 74 5D BE 7271 E9 FF 00 D6 AB 05 F1 C5 5458 B7 F3 5D 3E 0555 9C 0C 76 AC D5 9751 3D 59 B1 EE A3 FF 0089 A7 C9 24 DB 7E 720 D 303814 EF B3 3578479171 FF 00 3C BF 5A 4F 26 7F EE 2F E7 5A C7 A5 32 A2 DE 68 C5 6708 6E 33 D5 6A C2 5A 8F BD E6 EC 7A 9E 96 8D C6 8C 556306 EF BF 33 B5 3B EC 90 7A 1F CE A7 A7 75 A4 E6 9715 5F EC F6 DD D5 8F E3 5208 ED 87 FC B2 A7 5368 A2 A7 57 B7 4E 96 E3 F3 A9 96 F4 C7 FE A9 1A 3C F7 57 C1 AA 39 146451 4E AB 32 4E D2 A9 43 E6 6D 6E 0F EF 0F 23 DE BA 4F 0B 2A 22 5F 05 5C 67 CB 3D 73 EB 5C 96 F1 EB 5D 578648 DF 7B FF 005 C 94 FE B5 2423 0D 57 6C 71 E6 D6 D5 CF 46 AE 5E E3 A7 15 D4 DC 61 B7 7D 2B 92 BA E0 7D 2A 79 AB BB 84 E2 2A C3 BC 6C D6 41 AD 1B A3 CD 66 D5 63 5C C5 E3 65 E9 BC 8 E 470472 3E B5 DB C7 28 BF B1 8E 61 F7 D4 6D 93 EA 2B 88 AD 8D 1A EC 41 3F 9327 FA AB 8E 39 EC D4 C7 191545 4E 0D 3A E2 2E B5 98 C2 BA

## CHAPTER FOUR

## STEREOSCOPIC ANIMATION

Stereoscopic 3d animation deepens the audiences digital 3d experience from rendered captured moments to movement with depth. Stereoscopy works by presenting two offset images separately to the left and right eye of the viewer using red and cyan due to their chromatic difference (Johansson, 2009). The brain combines these offsets views to give a perception of 3d depths. Stereoscopy works as an illusion tricking the brain into perceiving depth. These ideas of illusion and tricked perception align with that of digital decay in the way glitch seemingly tricks the computers by shifting the visual perception of a digital files binary code. Stereoscopic 3D animation is most definitely not new technology however the medium aligns with the topic of digital decay in the antique nature of the technology tying with the glitch representing a digital antique.



The stereoscopic animation allows the audience to move through the forms. Movement is a key technique enhancing the unforeseen nature of glitch. New media artist Briz believes a glitch artist could be compared to an explorer of sorts writing, "exploration is the act of searching or traveling a terrain (including space) for the purpose of the discovery of resources or information... The term may also be used metaphorically, for example persons may speak of exploring the internet, sexuality, etc... Exploration is the attempt to develop an initial, rough understanding of some phenomenon. In all these ways the glitch artist is like an explorer." (Briz, 2011) Stereoscopic animation allowed the viewer to explore the space by movement and a perception of depth illusion. OReilly writes, "there's a kind of back and forth between software and idea that goes on when I work in 3D, because to me it's weird not to acknowledge that everything is fake and animation is basically an optical illusion - but it's still ultimately a medium to get ideas across. I don't want style or design to be center stage-it's just something that happens in the translation process from brain to screen." (OReilly in interview with Rourke, 2013) This is exactly how stereoscopic animation is employed within the design discovery process of this research. The animation techniques and quality are not the focal point, stereoscopy is purely a tool expressing an idea, deepening the understanding of glitches happening in digital time and allowing the audience to experience digital 3d architecture.



Figure 5.52 Stereoscopic animation developed using 3DSMAX program (view wearing anaglyph glasses)



## DATAMOSHING

The stereoscopic animation is further glitched through a process called Datamoshing, to advance unforeseen opportunities in the form through movement in 3d. Datamoshing is the act of removing the I-frames from a compressed video DataStream causing the playback image and mo-tion-vector data to not understand where the first clip ends and next clip starts. This results in the player merging the clips together in a distorted, pixelated, unpredictable glitch like fashion. Though the deletion of key frames in a video can be done intentionally e.g. in Avidemux program, it is a natural result of digital decay as seen in the earlier example of video footage glitched through physically dropping a storage device. Briz writes, glitch art is "anytime an artist intentionally leverages that moment (being an unexpected moment in a system calling attention to the system itself) by either re-contextualizing or provoking glitches." (Briz for Kernel, Klee, 2015) Provoked datamoshing calls attention to the stereoscopic system of illusion of depth and disassembles human's perception of 3d depths within the digital realm similarly to the way a glitch disassembles a visual interpretation of an images code.

Figure 5.53 Naturally datamoshed footage (Beverly, 2016)



Figure 5.54 Datamoshing animation test study


Digital decay processes are often viewed with negative connotations, however intriguingly datamoshing as a glitch technique is rapidly being embraced. Datamoshing was employed in Kanye West's music video 'Welcome to Heartbreak' 7 years ago, (West, 2009) last year by ASAP Mob in their music video 'Yamborghini High' (ASAPMob, 2016) and again by Calvin Harris in 'My Way' (Harris, 2016). Datamoshing as a glitch technique is arguably used in these music videos to express a narrative around the agitation for the digital age we live in, but also purely as a contemporary aesthetic. Datamoshing was earlier employed as narrative in 2013 by David OReilly for a television series 'Adventure Time' in the episode 'A Glitch is a glitch' (Rourke, 2013) Creator of this particular episode explains, "in general I try to find ideas which justify being in 3D animation. On this project, I wanted to focus on glitch as a narrative device." (OReilly in interview with Rourke for Rhizome, 2013) OReilly employed glitch as a visual technique to communicate the narrative of the story while alluding to the animated nature of the television series usually being in 2d storeyboard style and for this unique one off episode progressing into 3d datamoshed animation. Datamoshing methods embrace the unexpected outcome of glitch and advance interpretations further than 3d opening up a sort of optical illusion of the 4th dimension. Employing datamoshing into stereoscopic 3d animation within this research developes an understanding for how glitch can be performed in 3d space and how it effects the digital dimensional space. Although numerous datamoshing video can be found on YouTube, this research is the first to Datamosh stereoscopic animation specifically.





Figure 5.55 "Welcome to the Heartbreak" music video (West, 2009)



Figure 5.56 "Yamborghini Hight" music video (ASAPmob, 2016)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=46m22tzlgS8\&t=6s


## Datamosh glitch 3d stereoscopic anaglyph architectural form animation

Figure 5.57 Stereoscopic
datamosh animation can be watched via the Youtube link


Figure 5.58 The following images are captured moments from the moving datamoshed stereoscopic animation. These images are still intended to be viewed wearing anaglyph glasses.













When modeling in any computational spatial generation and design program, you are drawing in plan, elevation and perspective simultaneously. Therefore, when manipulating our form for stereoscopic animation in 3DSMAX we found ourselves drawing in 2d concurrently. Due to the complexity of the design form, when the conventional architectural drawings were exported into PDF to be read with vector line work, the files drew themselves out in an unpredictable and uninformed GIF like manner. The architectural drawings slowly compose themselves layer upon layer of information over the duration of a few minute. As the drawings continue to digitally compose themselves there is a sense of the unexpected, we are unsure of the end result. Within this return to 2d, we start to have a more direct relationship with architecture through an interpretation of conventional architectural drawing. The drawings become diagrammatic spaces and we see potential in the way in which they compose themselves out over a continuation of time becoming an architectural expression, similar to that of Cedric Price's 'Fun Palace' (Price, 1961). We appreciate visual relationships between the mechanical structure of Prices 'Fun House' that is intended to move and react to the inhibitors of the space and the way in which the linear plans of our design draw themselves out layer upon layer (Mathews, 2006). The linear plans seem to move as the structure is erected before our eyes on the digital screen, reminding us to 'delight in the unknown.' (Price, 1984)


Returning to conventional means of architectural presentation is interesting when discussing glitch architecture by virtue of glitch methodologies possessing the ability to test conventional ways of drawing architecture and reinterpreting what we think we know. For instance, these drawings do not have any scale or ground plan; it is completely up to the perception of the viewer and their previous spatial experiences. The plan could be a city and the elevation could be a chair, the section could be an apartment building while the elevation could be the plan. The way the drawings utilize time to compose themselves digitally speaks about glitch's inherent nature to work along a ribbon of time itself.


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## PACT CONFERENCE

This research was presented at Parallelism in Architecture, Environment and Computing Techniques (PACT) Conference 2016 held at the University of East London alongside key notes Patrik Schumacher, Mario Carpo, Jose Sanchez and Benjamin Dillenburger. The research was well received gaining some excellent feedback. Following the presentation, the paper was discussed by Gilles Retsin and Manuel Jimenez Garcia who provided some excellent precedents that contributed to inform the next steps of the research. Maria Alessandra Segantini (Director \& Principal of C+S Architects and visiting professor at MIT) wrote to the author saying, "you were able to represent the power of parametric thinking far beyond its more formal interpretations... I wish you all the best for a very promising work." (Segantini, pers. Comm. 2016) The paper 'Digital Decay' (Haslop, 2016) is published in Taylor \& Francis International Journal of Parallel, Emergent, and Distributed Systems (IJPEDS.)

Figure 5.59 Blaire Haslop (left) Patrik Schumacher (middle) Claudia Van Velthooven (right) attending PACT Conference, London, 2016.

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Figure 5.60 Proceedings at PACT Conference, London 2016

## REFLECTION

Following the PACT Conference presentation of the paper 'Digital Decay' (Haslop, 2016) large debate took place both during the discussion session and back in studio concerning the researches further progression. Many practical minded designers felt the research could lend itself to built environment situations where the methodology could be employed to solve or provide an alternative solution to real issues such as urban planning. The more theoritically minded designers strongly felt that the methodology needed to continue to be pushed in an experimental manner resulting in further digital design outcomes. Combining the two reflective perspectives the research intends to progress forward with the experimental design methodology of transformational change, however strongly focussing on digital architectural formal output. Animation is seen as a visualisation tool at the end of a design process, however for this research animation was employed as a tool contributing to the design process, just as Moleta argues in his CAADRIA paper 'Flowing through Space', game engines can be used for design ideation (Moleta, 2015). We take the learning from our moving digital experimentations and we solidy this into fixed digital architectural form through further design experimentation. The animation lacks authenticity due to there being no real formal outcome, we have moments that we capture and imagine to be inhibitabel space but the research now requires an architectural progression towards form while remaining in the digital realm.

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## MOVEMENT TO FORM

Stereoscopy works by having a left and right offset of the original form, left being red and right being cyan. Red and cyan are employed because they are chromatic opposites allowing the brain to merge the two offsets of opposing colours into one neutral form. When we datamoshed stereoscopic animation, we confused the brains spatial perception of depth by reconstructing the red and cyan offsets in an unexpected manner. This bring us to question how stereoscopic colours and methods can be again shifted to confuse the brains perception in the same way a glitch confuses the computers perception. We ask, how can the red and cyan stereoscopic offset methods be employed into solid digital architectural form to further shift perception?

Figure 6.61 Diagram explaining the design progress shifting from Rhino to .obj export format imported into Blender for vertices's shifts, again exported as .obj


With personal assistance from digital media artist Mark Klink, Blender was discovered as an open source 3d modeling program with the ability to export a specific output format resulting in a modestly unsophisticated codec using just vertices's and faces. (Klink, 2014) During this research we have found digital 3d files are commonly incredibly inflexible in terms of code manipulation due to exceptionally constricting codec systems. Exploiting this discovery, we employ a code simplification process by separating each unique 3d MCU cube created in GH into separate Rhinoceros files and then importing / exporting through Blender, resulting in 300 unique digital 3d files with the ability to be reinterpreted through code manipulation rather than through 3d modeling programs. An appreciation for unexpected outcome returns when manipulating the bones of the form through code variations as shifting numerical data is a blind process until the digital file is reopened revealing the form. The method stays true to the way in which glitch exists naturally within the digital realm in a fairly behind the scenes manner. Reiser \& Umemoto write, "the architect is, in effect, neither a passive observer of determined systems nor a determined manipulator of passive material, but rather, the manager of an unfolding process." (Reiser + Umemoto, 2006) Each of the 300 unique cube .obj files go through the fabricated Blender import / export code simplification process to then be individually manipulated in a program called Hexfiend. Hexfiend allows specific numerals in the code to be swapped based on the co-ordinate location of the cube within the MCU grid plan system. Y co-ordinates are replaced with X co-ordinates for the red anaglyph and $X$ co-ordinates are replaced with $Y$ co-ordinates for the cyan. This creates a unique left and right offset per cube in the same way stereoscopic offset works, though the offsets are being determined by the cubes position in the original MCU grid plan instead of the conventional inter-axial separation of 6.5 (Autodesk, 2016.) E.g. if the cube is located in MCU grid $(2,3)$ then two new forms are created; for the red form every 3 is replaced with a 2, and for the cyan every 2 is replaced with a 3.

Figure 6.62 The following red and cyan forms are intended to be viewed with anaglyph glasses



ORIGINAL HEX CODE OF FORM co-ordinates 14,7


FIND: Y REPLACE: X FIND: X REPLACE: $\mathbf{Y}$

REPLACE EVERY 14 REPLACED WITH 7











REPLACE EVERY 7 REPLACED WITH




FIND: Y (7) REPLACE: X (14)


FIND: X (14) REPLACE: Y (7)

HEX GLITHING COMBINED 3D RESULT


We discovered that the forms do not reopen in Blender, instead we received an error message detailing "corrupt file." We turned back to Rhinoceros which surprisingly opened the manually code manipulated files. The laborious process described results in three forms per cube (900 forms) that are then combined, red manipulation, cyan manipulation and original grey per cube. All 300 of these new sets are then placed in their original MCU grid co-ordinate position to gain a relationship with their original neighbour once again. The combination of these sets creates an unimaginable architectural interpretation of digital decay processes. When the forms are viewed with the anaglyph red and cyan glasses, the perception of space and depth is further distorted in the brain creating a chaotic three dimensional spatial architectural interpretation of digital decay.


Figure 6.63 'Parts' to the
MCU 'whole' (Schumacher,
2012) of the anaglyph 3d
digital form





Figure 6.64 3d elevation view of anaglyph digital form

Figure 6.65 3d isometric
view of anaglyph digital form


Figure 6.66 Linear plan view
of anaglyph 3d digital form



Figure 6.67 3d plan view of
anaglyph 3d digital form











Figure 6.68 Walking around
in Anaglyph form experi-
ence in VR environment



## DIGITAL ARCHITECTURE IN DIGITAL REALM

Digital architectural projects that explore digital spaces allow for a freedom of expression that references reality while also designing the unimaginable. Digital decay expresses what we cannot comprehend, catalyzing the reinterpretation of glitch as a means of designing digital architecture. This is not reality to virtual where we digitally model something that is built in the physical, nor is it virtual to reality where we digital model something that could be built in the physical. This means of designing is virtual to virtual where we reinterpret the constraints and natural forces impeding our digital architectural workflows through digital architectural design. The architectural outcome of this research is an expression of something that is happening within the digital realm, we as humans then translate it into something from our reality, however the architecture can cease to exist explicitly within the digital. Zigelbaum enlightens this process writing, "crafting contemporary experience requires the combined efforts of all of us: scientists, designers, philosophers, engineers, artists, etc. If artists don't learn how to actually implement technologies, such as machine learning or hydraulic fracturing, they will not be able to manipulate and understand them deeply enough to reveal their farthest edge states. Without the artist, our culture cannot metabolize the latent possibilities inherent in the world around us." (Zigelbaum, 2012) By stretching the programs available to us, as designers we are exploring the constraints within our digital design work flows. We are not mimicking reality in the digital realm, we are expressing incomprehensible digital happenings through digital form, we are expressing digital decay through digital architecture.



Figure 6.69 Each MCU square form texture mapped using
the original MCU square from the original glitched image creating chaotic three dimensional glitch environments representing the original image.

## VIRTUAL REALITY

Virtual Reality tools such as the Vive enable us to further bend the play
 between virtual and reality by preserving the digital experience while enabling a physical sensory involvement within the digital realm.

A phenomenological intrusion occurs while experiencing the digital architecture in VR due to many of the forms possessing identical vertices's. Within a digital environment, surfaces flicker between themselves due to neither being certainly on top of the other. This is an explicit attribute to the digital as overlap confusion of surfaces cannot occur in physical reality. Manon writes, "a computer interface, by contrast, is immersive-we cannot help but misperceive skeumorphic user interfaces such as buttons, drop-down menus and browser windows as bearing a real physicality. We do not expect two windows to become entangled or intertwined. When glitches manifest, they are a sudden phenomenological intrusion, a break in the order of logic. The shock comes because when we work with the machine we are contained by it. A glitch ruptures this immersive environment, undercutting the sovereignty of the digital by revealing its pervasiveness." (Manon, 2011) The flickering of two surfaces possessing identical vertices's while immersed in a VR environment reminds us how digital architecture is not constrained by physical laws and its explicit existence within the digital can bring about unique manifestations.


Figure 6.70 Screen captured moments of VR environment showing the surface confusion flicker. This VR experience can be viewed via Youtube on the link below.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_1PYDKmJOyM

Figure 6.71 Digital architec-
tural form in VR environment




Figure 6.72 VR environment showing surface confusion


Digital architecture often has an unresolved discernment around it because as humans who live in a physical world with tangible items and relative scale, we strive to relate what we see in the digital back to something from our physical reality. Digital architecture is not confined to our physical world and therefore does not require an assigned scale or materiality in the way the physical is constrained. In any digitally modeling software forms are conceivably generated at any scale imaginable. Mathews writes in his paper discussing Cedric Price's 'Fun Palace', "a virtual architecture like the Fun Palace would have no singular program but could reprogram and reconfigure itself to accommodate an endless variety of functions. By providing methodologies for coping with indeterminate systems evolving in time, cybernetics and game theory established the groundwork for information and computer technologies as well as for the virtual architecture of the Fun Palace." (Mathews, 2006) Though the Fun Palace was always intended to be built, it remains in the digital realm to this day. Mathews explains that virtual architecture with no singular program can be reinterpreted and adapt to various functions due to their virtual liberty. The scale of digital architecture is ambiguous, each form and every part to whole can exist at any comprehensible scale. Scale in the digital realm is dependent on personal perception, the viewer is able to rapidly and frequently shift between scales for each separate form based on personal experiences of space. The here reached architectural interpretation has no assigned scale.



## CONVENTIONAL ARCHITECTURAL MATERIALS

Conventional architectural materials are habitually applied to digital architecture aiding human ability to connect digital form to physical environment, comprehend forms build-ability and tie form to relatable scale. Conventional architectural material application within the digital realm play with the virtual and reality intersection in both a pensive and playful nature simultaneously. Three preeminent material types that are conventional to architectural visualisation have been arbitrarily selected; concrete, metal and glass. When conventional architectural materials are applied to the contemporary architectural forms produced, the forms begin to have similar effects to that of natural glitches activated throughout the datamoshed animation, in the way we experience tension and release in clarity and confusion. Where there is glass we imagine a window, where there is metal we imagine a rusty street alleyway, the piping looks to be a jungle gym or climbing ladder of sorts and the concrete is perhaps a large apartment complex. Where forms relatability to our known physical environments is ambiguous, our perception is blurred. In these moments of confusion, the brain almost skips and jumps along the forms to the applicable moments of clarity. It is this tension and release of confusion and clarity throughout the chaotic digital environment that enhances the communication of the behavior of a glitch through 3d spatial form.



Figure 6.73 Glitch Architecture concrete noise


Figure 6.74 Glitch Archi-
tecture frosty glass due to
digital surface overlap


Figure 6.75 Glitched Future



Figure 6.76 Glitch Shards



Figure 6.77 Glitch Architecture mixture of materiality


Figure 6.78 Glitch Architec-
ture displaying and disrupt-
ing digital natural decay

Figure 6.79 Glitch Archi-
tectural Section creating
interior spaces


Figure 6.80 Glitch Architec-
ture from below




Figure 6.81 Glitch Architecture obscuring perceptions


Figure 6.82 Glitch Architec-
ture verticality




Figure 6.83 Glitch Archi-
tecture surface confusion


Figure 6.84 Glitch Architecture city chaos


## GLITCH ART IS DEAD EXHIBITION

Gamut Gallery in Minnesota will be running the exhibition 'Glitch Art is Dead' from March 11th - 31st 2017. The exhibition will feature 80 international artists work. Out of over 2 thousand submission to the open call exhibition only 41 artists were selected. 4 of the above images were selected and will be included in the exhibition. (Gamut, 2017)

Figure 6.85 Glitch Art is Dead exhibition held at Gamut Gallery, Minnesota. (Gamut, 2017)



Figure 6.86 Work featuring on Gamut Gallery website for their Glitch Workshop
(Gamut, 2017)



Figure 6.87 Glitch Architec-
ture conventional material application



Figure 6.88 Glitch Architec-



Figure 6.89 Glitch Architec-



DRAWING FUTURES AT UCL<br>This stage of the research contributed to the lecture presentation 'Drawing Future's' given at The Bartlett School of Architecture UCL in London, UK by Associate Lecturer of University of Technology Sydney, Matthew Austin. (Austin, 2016)




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## THE GIVEN AND THE INFORMED

The unique contribution of this research is that it treats glitch in two forms; first as 'the given' and second as 'the in-formed'. In contrast precedent works tend to observe the relation between these two forms in an immediacy. Two glitches are always seen on the same horizon, producing no triumphant hierarchy between each other, which is bounded to a phenomenological deadlock, whereas its subjective capture finds room to grow into static protocols. Therefore, glitch works tend to create monolithic outcome, although the glitch itself seeks a vertical dimension and an excessive remainder between glitch as 'the given' and glitch as 'the in-formed'.

A historicisation of glitch forms is abundant in precedent works as provided above that are mere 2D viewings of glitch. The insufficiency of critical approaches bounds glitch to signification under the broad influence of semiology on architecture. Undertaking a challenging attempt to provide an ontology of glitch-itself, this research looks into the autonomy of glitch towards a theory of glitch-space that emerges from its dichotomised ontology between 2D and 3D. However speculative it may sound, our approach does not totally abandon representational aspects of glitch as an immediate expression of the real. Rather, by using available tools, it makes state of the art data interpretations that are instrumental to the


It was initially observed that the glitched photos encountered at the beginning are rich in 'information aesthetics' that precipitates a decline in 'information perspicuity'. This causal relationship between aesthetics and meaning is not the focus of this research, but the becoming of glitch as 'the in-formed' escaping from an algorithmic system of numerical data as 'the given'. The acceptance of glitch that requires the prioritisation of the aesthetic in excess of the algorithmic is prevalent. The comfort zone of such aesthetic understanding exacerbates the first problem by veiling it behind candy-coloured outcome.

In JPEGsnoop, glitch was initially treated as 'the given' which was actually sitting on a grid in relation to the pixel distribution of the 2D image, i.e. 'the given' was simultaneously 'the in-formed'. The symbiotic relationship between the two forms of glitch was then broken down into further individual pixel units. This exercise led us into 3D conversions of autonomous units where a second problem emerged. Sacrificing the aesthetic in favor of the algorithmic led us think more on the sporadic and ephemeral qualities of glitch becoming. Stereoscopic experiments allowed us remap 3D glitch-space information, yet, without orientation. Further research is planned to continue with glitch in immersive VR technologies in order to provide more insight onto the second problem. However it is aimed to find a new vertical dimension arising from the dual ontology of glitch placed on the same horizon. Transforming from being 'the given' to 'the in-formed' glitch wants a multitude space to exist which is not permitted by the monochromatic channel imposed by the indentured protocols of the algorithm.

Galloway (2012) identifies the same problems in relation the mode of production. When the modus operandi of glitch is ignored, commodification of its aesthetic outcome takes place with 'the entrainment of universalising behaviours within protocological organisation' that are then unrepresentable and limited to 2D observation. Galloway (2012) further argues that contemporary use of data causes the machine turned into art but never art into machine. The notion of 'glitch-space' requires us to further investigate ways for 'new data types, new if-then statements, and new mathematical functions'. The fuzzy area, between glitch as 'the given' and 'the in-formed', is where 'a vast anti-history of informatics waiting to be written, a vast world of representation waiting to be inscribed.'

## CAADRIA CONFERENCE

This research has been accepted to be presented at The Association for Computer-Aided Architectural Design Research in Asia (CAADRIA) at the Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University in Suzhou, China, April 2017. CAADRIA facilitates the dissemination of information about digital architectural processes and promote research in Asia. The research paper 'Glitch Space' nicely aligns with the conference topic 'Protocols, Flows \& Glitches.' Proceedings will be published in the International Journal of Architectural Computing (IJAC).

Figure 7.91 Glitch has depth




Figure 7.92 Visual relationship between naturally digitally decay glitch images and Material ID process for rendering the form created from these images in Vray


## HUMANISING THE DIGITAL

In an unforeseen manner glitch is sincerely humanizing the digital.
Metalab contributor Matthew Battles explains, "we're learning to "wave at machines"-and that perhaps in their glitchy, buzzy, algorithmic ways, they're beginning to wave back in earnest." (Battles, 2012) Realistically technology was made by humans, on the surface they may appear foreign and mistakes may seem random however the further the investigation inquires the more human the machine becomes. New media artist Nick Briz explains that when you interact with your computer there are a number of assumptions made on your behalf by the programmers of the operating system and the software you choose to use. We may be generally unaware of this but it becomes extremely obvious when you go deeper into the build-up of digital files. Briz writes that technology is not neutral but in fact pregnant with politics and ideologies of the people who made them and by using the technologies we unconsciously subscribe to these politics. In a way glitch interpretations brings these hidden relationships to the fore. (Klee, 2015) Daniel Temkin writes, "glitch art underscores the computer as an apparatus indifferent to the readability or quality of the resulting image. The tension in the form does not come from risk of damage or failure, but from the surrender of the image to an unpredictable system, the collaboration with the machine." (Temkin, 2014) The paper ‘Towards a Pedagogy of Glitch’ asks, "who is the author of the glitch as digital artifact? Is it the user of the proprietary device when producing the glitch? The programmer of the algorithm that the user intends to disrupt? Is it the device itself? All of the above?" (James, 2016) Perhaps it is a human computer semiosis. Regardless of the technology you use to harness a glitch, it ultimately still must run on human wetware. (Cloning, 2010)


Slippages in pixilation and errors are signs of digital decay but phenomenologically signs of vulnerability. Glitch breaks the fourth wall and shatters the "artifice of seamless technology" (Aima, 2012) Similarly to the over cited 'Annie Hall' (Allen, 1977) scene where Woody Allen suddenly turns and speaks to the camera, (repeated by Francis Underwood in 'House of Cards' (Willimon, 2013) but slightly more pedagogically) speaking straight to the camera results in the cinematic spell being broken and our relationship to the medium being laid bare. (Aima, 2012) In this way glitch invites the audience to question the medium and the blurred line between human and computer.

Computers do not have a consciousness in the same way humans do, (Goodwin, 2013) however within human interpretation glitch brings a sense of consciousness to the computer. Goodwin writes in his paper 'Architecture and Consciousness - God in Reverse', "as computers accumulate and deal with their own 'mistakes', a form of real consciousness emerges." (Goodwin, 2014) Conciousness is something only humans posses and in this way the glitch somewhat humanises the computer.


## REFLECTION

The here reached design outcome is a novel interpretation of digital decay through architectural form. The research contributes to the glitch research community by advancing glitch from its 2D representational expressions into 3D digital spatial interpretations. Computational architectural design methods allow for a responsive and adaptive re-representation that matches current technologies and under- standing of architecture. James writes that troubling of expected outcomes, disruption of programmed process as a result of incommensurable informational input does result in unique and educational products that are fundamental to understanding our digital humanity. He writes that these irregularity convey the "same learning potential that learning from mistakes and fortunate accidents do in arts, sciences, and within the broader context of lifelong learning." (James, 2016) Glitch architecture questions the limitations of digital architectural modeling and deepens the appreciation for human agency within digital creative work-flows bringing authenticity to digital decay through contemporary interpretation of the glitched data. The here reached design outcome contributes to the realm of digital architecture but also has the potential to progress forwards in to the analogue. In email conversation with creator JPEGsnoop Calvin Hass writes, "given the recent explosion of 3D printing into the consumer domain, more and more of the content people store on vulnerable media (eg. Flash drives, hard drives) will represent 3D forms. It is highly likely that this will result in a new wave of "glitched models" that people will discover when trying to print their favorite item. People will encounter STL and OBJ files corrupted from glitches much in the same way that JPEG files are later discovered to be corrupted. If they continued to print these corrupted surfaces, we would see some unique forms emerge! The interesting thing about this is that we no longer need to take the extra steps of extrapolating a 3D visualization of the glitched 2D data -- the 3D source itself will be glitched." (Calvin Hass, pers. Comm. 2016) Reflecting upon the design processes of this research, we believe glitch is not only a theoretical tool but also a hands on form of inquiry. Glitch not only should be considered and observed, but also provoked and performed. This research can continue to be extended upon to advance the understanding of digital decay within architectural work-flows both by delighting in the unknown (Price, 1984), the aesthetic of digital decay and as a tool of unique digital design processes.

## CONCLUSION

This research extends the current material in the field of glitch from 2D representational images to 3D multidimensional architectural explorations. The research contributes toward the future of computational architectural design in the way it uses glitch specifically as a core starting point in a systematic design method. Inheritance of glitch as a means of input for digital design explorations is correspondent to a fourth dimension of the digital. This paper presents a methodology that interprets digital decay processes involved in architectural design, through a data driven process of experimental computational design, using glitch as an instrument in generating 3d architectural spaces. The research contributes to the glitch art community by advancing glitch from its 2 d representational interpretations into 3d digital spatial explorations. The research contributes to the discipline of architecture by developing a unique design methodology employing glitch as a means of designing architectural form within the digital realm. The research is a positive discovery that addresses, embraces and delights in digital decay via a data driven process of generative computational design. Computational architectural design allows for a responsive and adaptive re-representation that matches current technologies and understanding of architecture. Glitch architecture deepens the appreciation for human agency within digital creative work-flows and brings authenticity to digital decay through contemporary design. The digital architectural form exists solely in the digital realm confidently standing as an architectural interpretation of digital decay through both its design process and spatial outcome.



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Figure 7.93 GAC sharing
Glitch Architecture work via
Tumblr link to Facebook.
(GAC, 2016)


How can glitch as a result of digital decay be interpreted in three dimensional form?




Figure 7.94 Glitch Architecture shift in perception


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Figure 7.95 \#glitchgirl


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