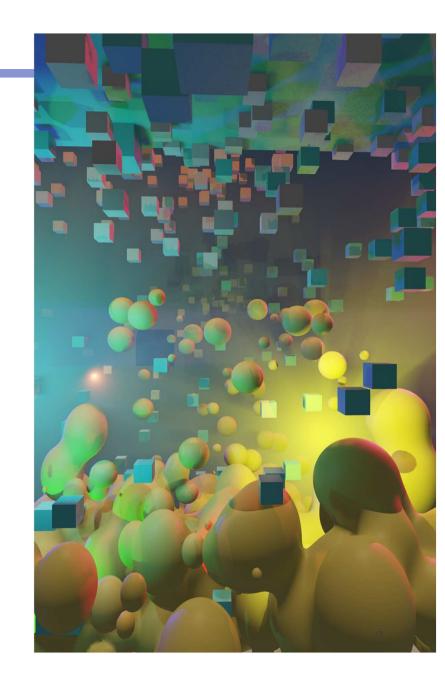
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#### MENU

- Video games = the 10<sup>th</sup> art, intimately linked to many sciences
- ScienceXGames = Academic chair under the patronage of Ubisoft at Polytechnique
- La Factory = An interdisciplinary centre under construction at IP Paris



# A FACTORY ARTS















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S IP PARIS

#### LA FACTORY IN 80 RESEARCHERS-CREATORS

- ≈ 80 signatories from the 5 member schools of IP Paris
  - Highly interdisciplinary (computer science, humanities, hard sciences...)
  - All of them already have activities mixing arts and sciences
  - Eager to gather around an ambitious collective project Working together
  - Ready to move all or part of their activities...

... to a place containing, eventually:

- Offices and workshops for artists and scientists (especially in-residence)
- Practice rooms for our students (numerous artistic projects)
- Equipped studios for creative work in all media
- Exhibition spaces for all

Going further

#### LA FACTORY IN A FEW WORDS

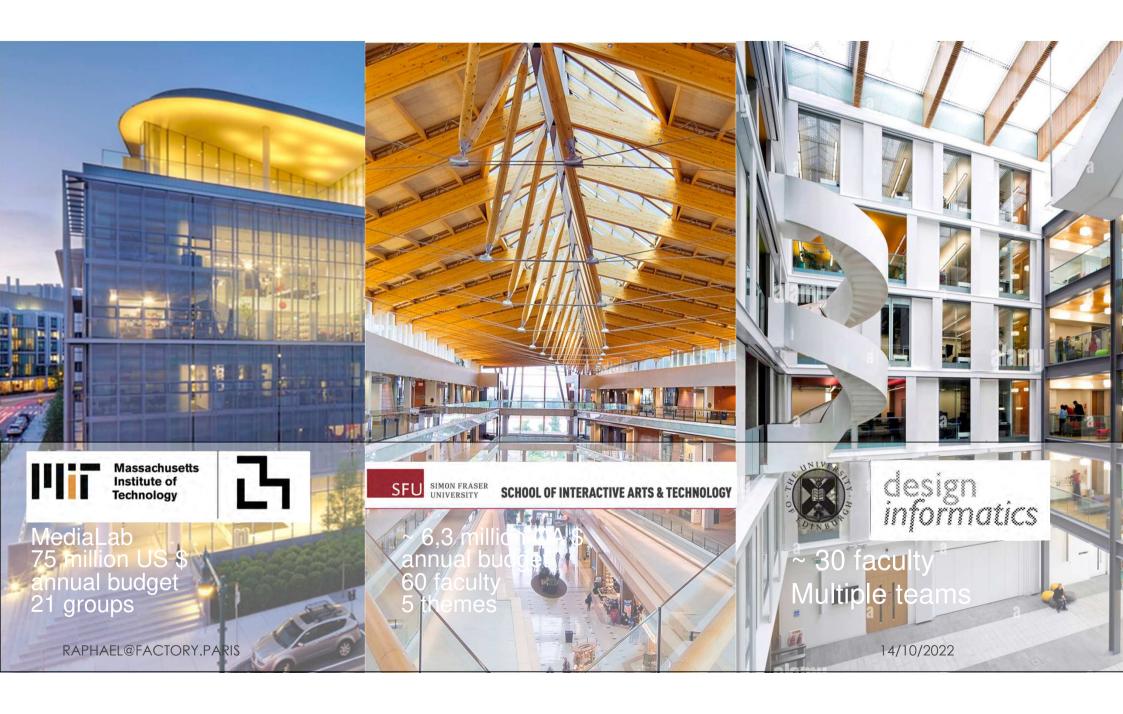
#### A major interdisciplinary research center project

- × A research-creation laboratory structured around thematic "labs"
- × A resource center for researchers, teachers and students
- × A facilitator of social diversity and interdisciplinary innovation
- A showcase for the world of arts, culture and communication
- × An iconic and unifying place for IP Paris

#### In resonance with other centers:

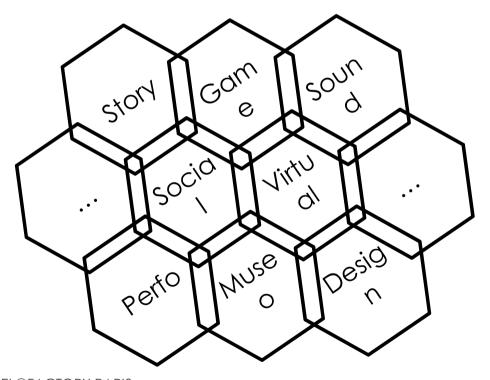
- × MediaLab at MIT, Art | Sci Center at UCLA, Hexagram in Canada...
- × LAPIS and Pavilions at EPFL, ArtSci at ETH, ARTiS in Copenhagen...

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#### A MOSAIC OF LABS

Creative workshops, skill centers, bridges between art and science



#### 8 proto-labs

- Design, drawing, prototyping
- Video Game, interactivity
- Museography
- Social Interactions
- Sound, music, acoustics
- Storytelling
- Artistic Performances
- Virtual & augmented realities

#### In the future

- Motion, Film, Dance
- Human-compute/2022

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#### Themes to promote within this ecosystem

Techniques and ethics of the metaverse and web3

Multimedia enhancement of heritage assets
Invention of new high-impact media
Promotion of diversity of all kinds
Social and environmental awareness
Artistic popularisation of science
Realisation of impossible artistic work

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#### THREE DIMENSIONS OF THE FACTORY

Research and Development: projects on the borderlines between labs / schools

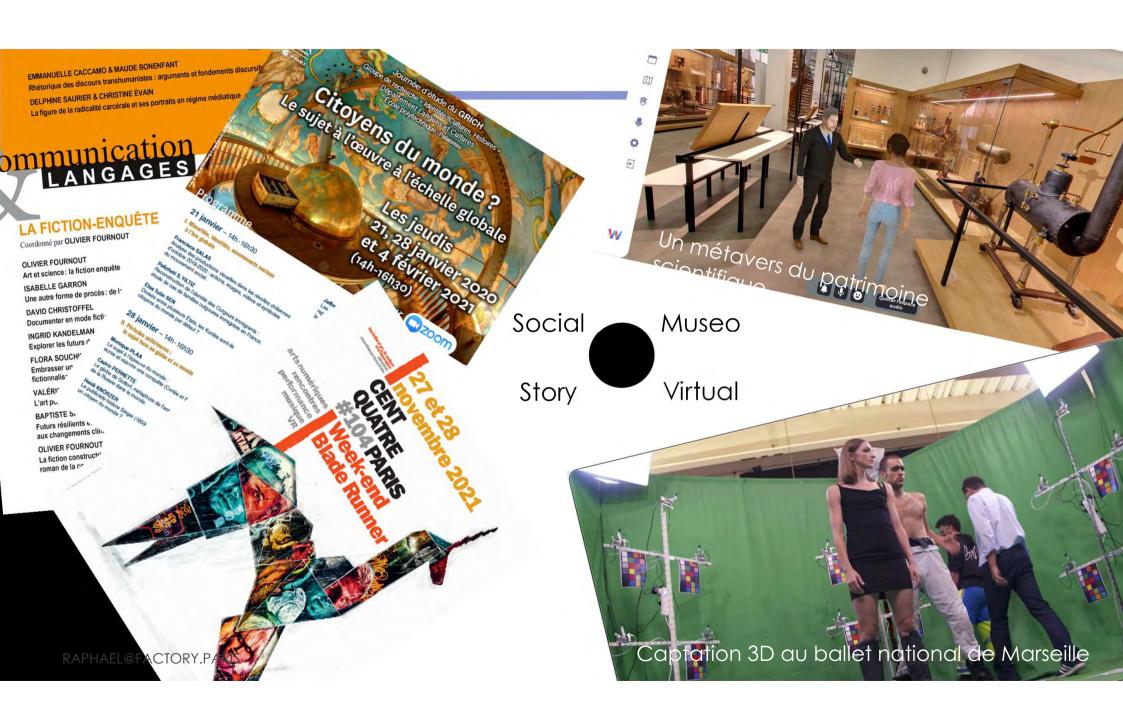
- × Resources for arts, culture, media, entertainment
- × Ethics and use of science and technology
- × Highly interdisciplinary → disruptive innovation

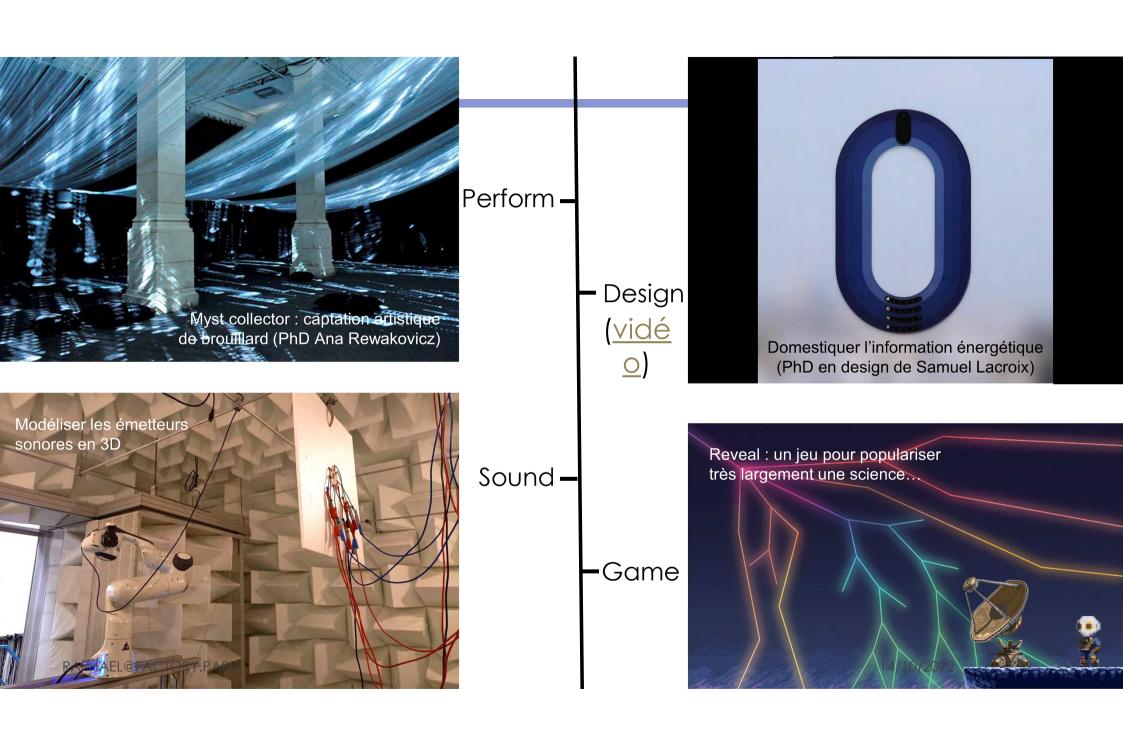
#### **Education and Culture**

- × Training creative and open-minded engineers and leaders
- × Offering innovative, do-it-yourself teaching, especially in the media
- × Facilitating student projects

#### **Mediation and Communication**

- × Producing and presenting public artworks, setting up artist residencies
- × Showing and promoting works on various media
- × Giving IP Paris a window into the world of culture





#### LA FACTORY IN THREE PHASES

#### Gazeous (2021...)

- × Objective: Identify and federate the forces at work
- × Cycle of joint seminars, first hybrid projects

#### Liquid (2022...)

- × Objective: 5-6 founding patrons
- × A myriad of transdisciplinary projects culminating in 1 festival
- × 4+ faculties, 10+ doctoral/postdoctoral students, creators in residence...

#### Solid (2025...)

- × Objective: A large, iconic and defining site
- × A dozen teams with international influence

#### LES AUTRES CENTRES INTERDISCIPLINAIRES D'IP PARIS



#### IMAGINING A WORLD AND ITS CAREERS

Building bridges between arts and sciences

to create a unique ecosystem in France

catalyst for technological and societal innovation

based on hybrid researchers-creators

to train more creative engineers



- (1. The origin)
- 2. One team to rule them all ...
- 3. A PhD thesis
- 4. Some teaching
- 5. Many student projects
- 6. A conference
- 7. Some outreach
- 8. ... and in a game to bind them

## A CHAIR

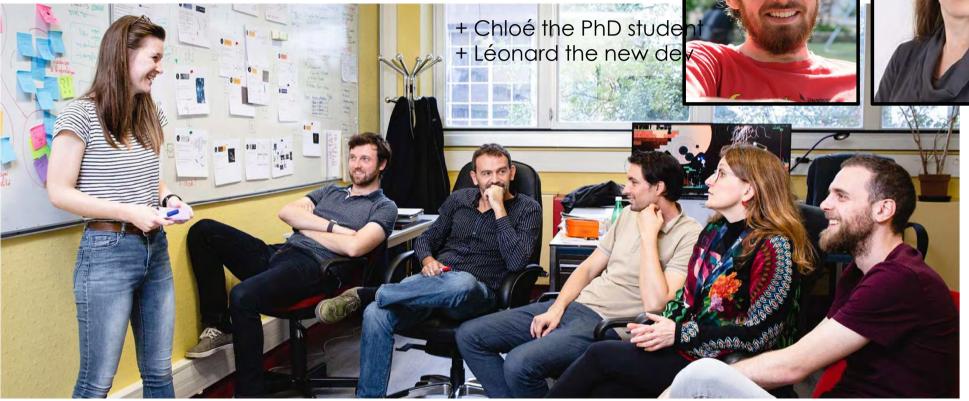


#### 2. THE GAMELAB IN 2020



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Video game professionals in residence in a multidisciplinary research



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Video game professionals in residence in a multidisciplinary research

### 2. ONE PHD TOPIC, CHLOÉ VIGNEAU

## Academic learning through video game design

- Workshop in high-schools (and elsewhere)
- Analysis of more than 100 game engines
- Pronosing a new and dadisated tool everybody can design small games



A workshop in a public library in Po

#### 4. SOME TEACHING

2A = Modal, 13-18 students

Conception de jeux vidéo

3A = Starting in Spring 2022

Real-time artificial intelligence in video games



Modal course, before confiner

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3A = A trainee in 2011 (Basile de Lamberterie) others to come

4A = École d'application

ENJMIN, added to the catalog, 2 students this year

0A = Stages de troisième

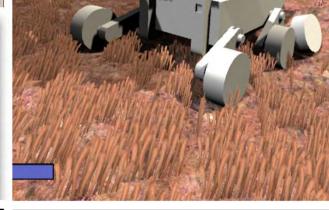
XA = Autres stagiaires ?















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## Modal 2021 6 jeux conçus par les étudiants

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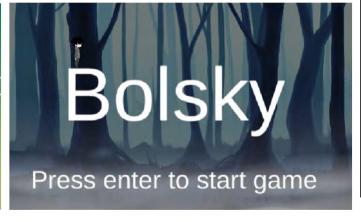












Modal 2022 6 jeux conçus par les étudiants

Follow-up sur le major

#### 5. STUDENT PROJECTS

2019-20: five videogame related projects ->

HSS01\*, HSS08, HSS/INF9C, INF03, PHY03\* including 2\* of the three best PSC prices

■ 2020-21 : eight new projets →

MAP18: Modélisation du son des bagnoles (Ubi)

MEC03: Simulation de structures mécaniques (Ubi)

INF10: Génération modulaire de modèles 2D (Ubi)

INF01: Optimisation des caustiques en temps réel (Ubi)

INF06: Apprendre aux créatures de jeux vidéo à marcher \* (Ub)

<u>vidéo</u>

HSS06: Génération procédurale de dialogues, 2 \* (Ubi)

ECO01: Économies virtuelles dans les MMORPG (Novaquark)

HSS09: Évaluation des troubles de l'attention par le jeu (<u>web</u> et <u>vidéo</u>) \* 2 talks given in a lA conference

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#### 5. STUDENT PROJECTS

2021-22 : neuf projets !

(INF) Macroanalyse de végétation par image aérienne (UMEC) Génération sonore sur systèmes de voxels (Ubisoft) (HSS) Communication non verbale (Ubisoft) \*

Game

(BIO) Résurrection de biomes en milieu hostile (J. Rousseau) \*\*

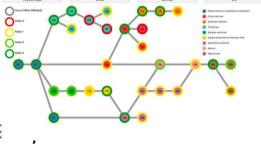
(MEC/INF) Jouer à faire des ricochets numériques (étudiants!)

(INF) Génération d'assets à partir de données archéo (Étiolles)

(MEC) Jeu piloté par la pensée en mode multijoueurs (Mentalis

(HSS) Évaluation de compétences par le jeu vidéo (Chloé Vig

(HSS) Évaluation des troubles de l'attention par le jeu, 2



Tous les groupes obtiennent un A! \* 4 proposés pour prix \*\* 1 prix décroché

#### 5. STUDENT PROJECTS

Message = Nowadays, students can easily prototype interactive devices

2022-23 : dix de plus, on arrive à 32 :

(MEC) Génération sonore (Ubisoft)

(INF) Crafting et et calcul de forme « meshless » (Ubisoft)

(HSS) Évaluation des troubles de l'attention par le jeu, 3 (Mila Learn)

(INF) Discuter avec des IA dans les jeux vidéo (Amplitude)

(HSS) Évaluation de compétences sportives (Chloé Vigneau)

(BIO) Influence du Climat sur un écosystème (étudiants)

(BIO) Un autre sujet éco/biologique (étudiants)

(MEC) Génération de météo en temps réel (DGA)

(INF/BIO) Visualisation de neurones en réalité virtuelle (LOB)

(INF) Génération de cartes sub-surfaciques (Ubisoft)

Interacting with about 80 students / year
About 15%

#### 6. CONFERENCE

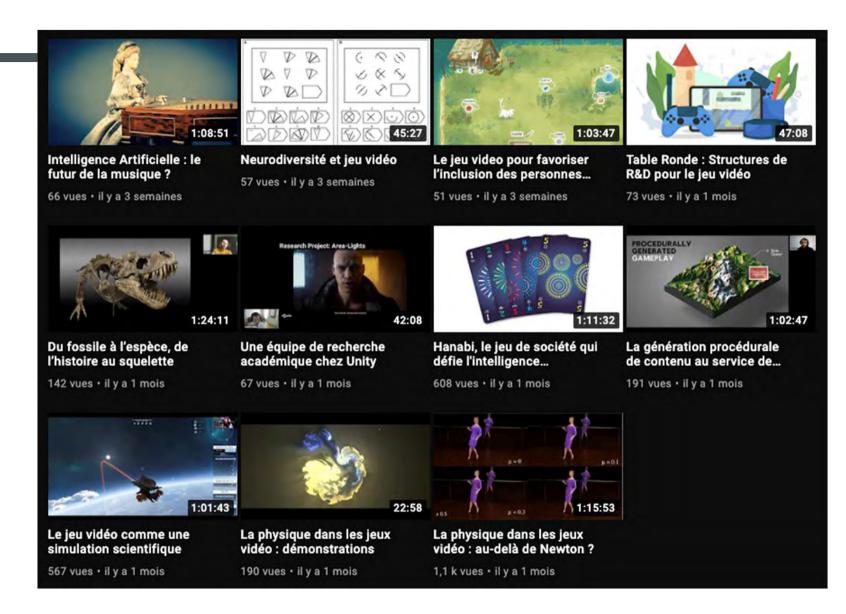
- Mixing videogame experts with scientific researchers
- 1<sup>st</sup> édition, end of 2019 →
  - Paysages virtuels
  - Modélisation des fluides
  - Spatialisation du son
  - Outils intelligents
  - Gestion des connaissances
  - Jeu et société



#### 6. CONF 2.0

2<sup>nd</sup> edition, Mar 21

- Online
- 4 half-days
- 400 single viewers
- The occasion to create a YouTube channel





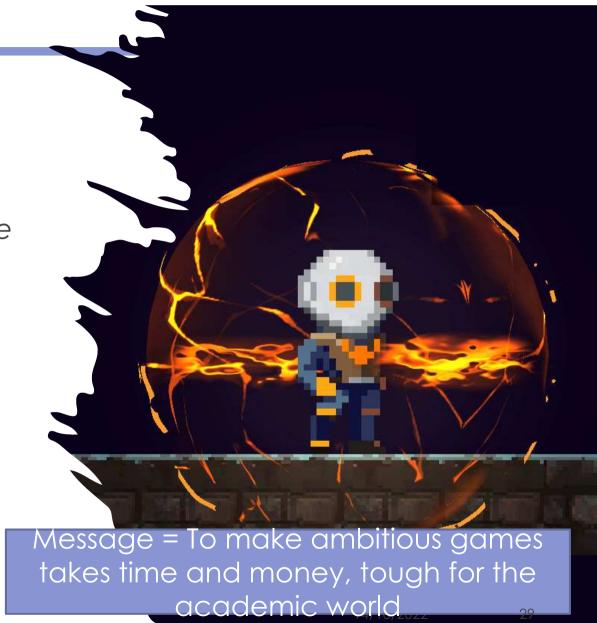


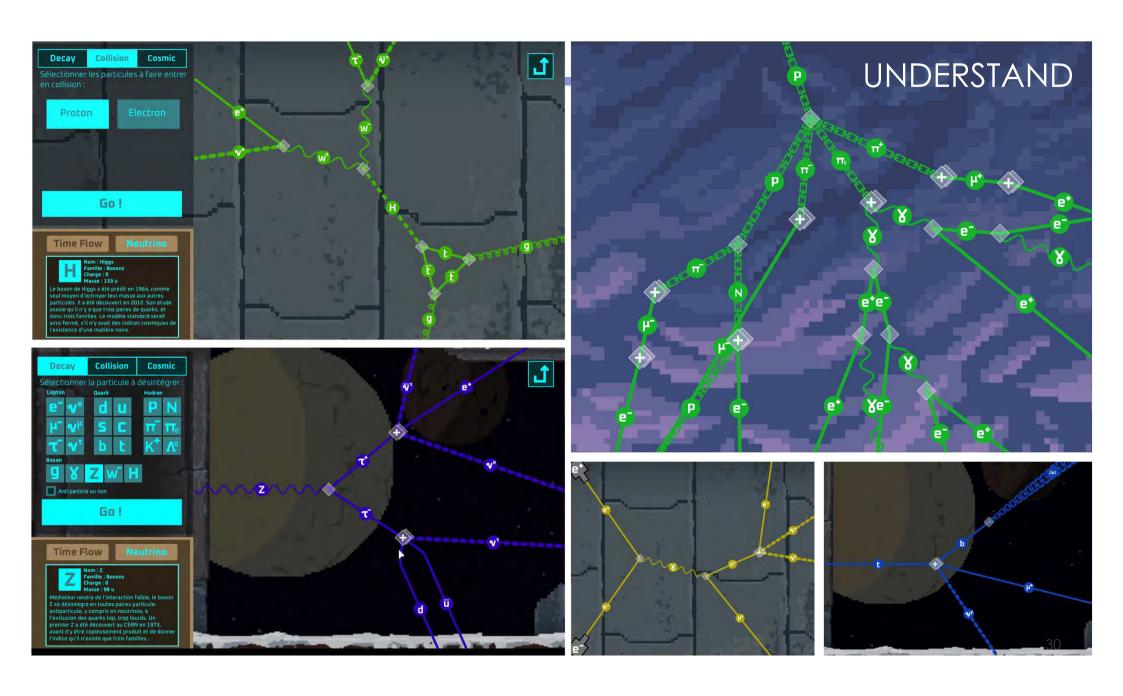
## 6. CONFÉRENCE #3 27 JUIN 2022 @ CNAM JEU VIDÉO ET ENVIRONNEMENT 150 PARTICIPANTS PRÉSENTS

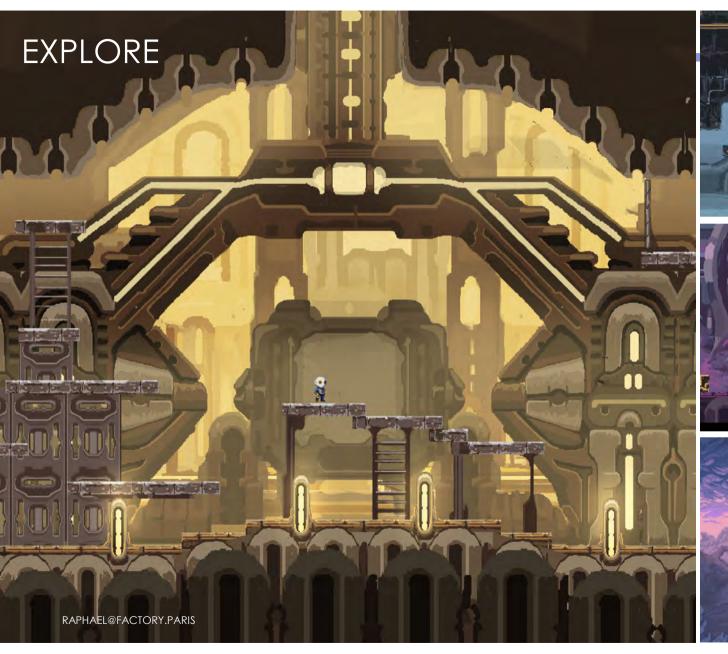
#### 8. ONE GAME

« REVEAL » « Live an amazing encounter with science, making particle physics intriguing, wonderful and tameable through a pure puzzle / platformer game »

- For a wide audience
- First prototype, end of 2018
- Vertical slide, early 2021
- Sep. 2022 @ Telecom Paris incubator
- Release, early 2023













## SCIENCES & GAMES

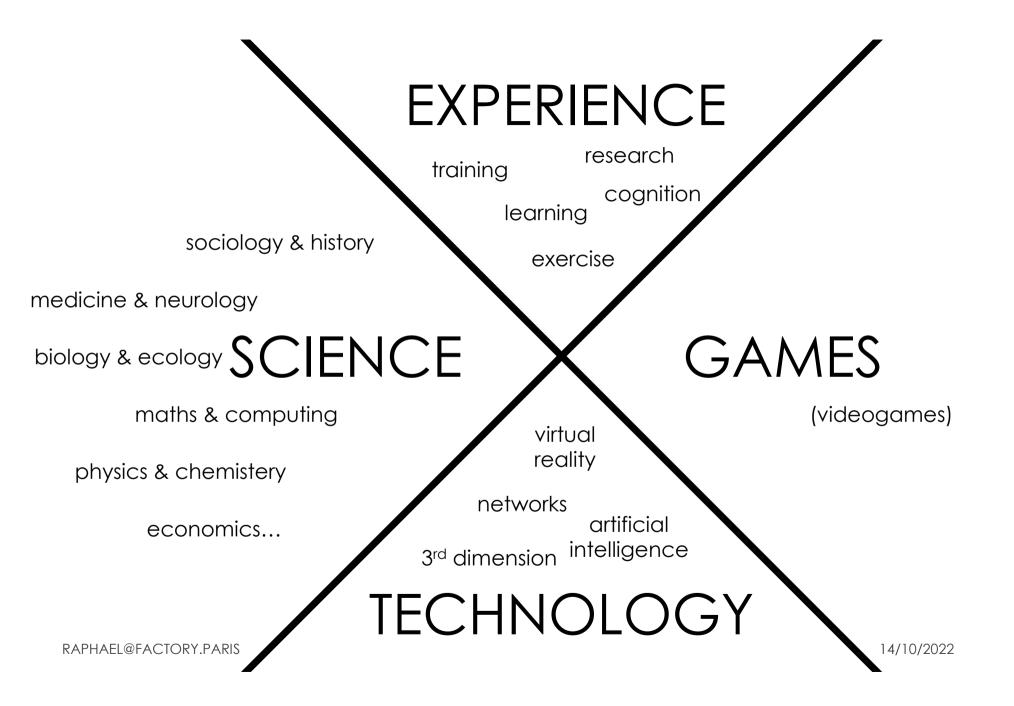


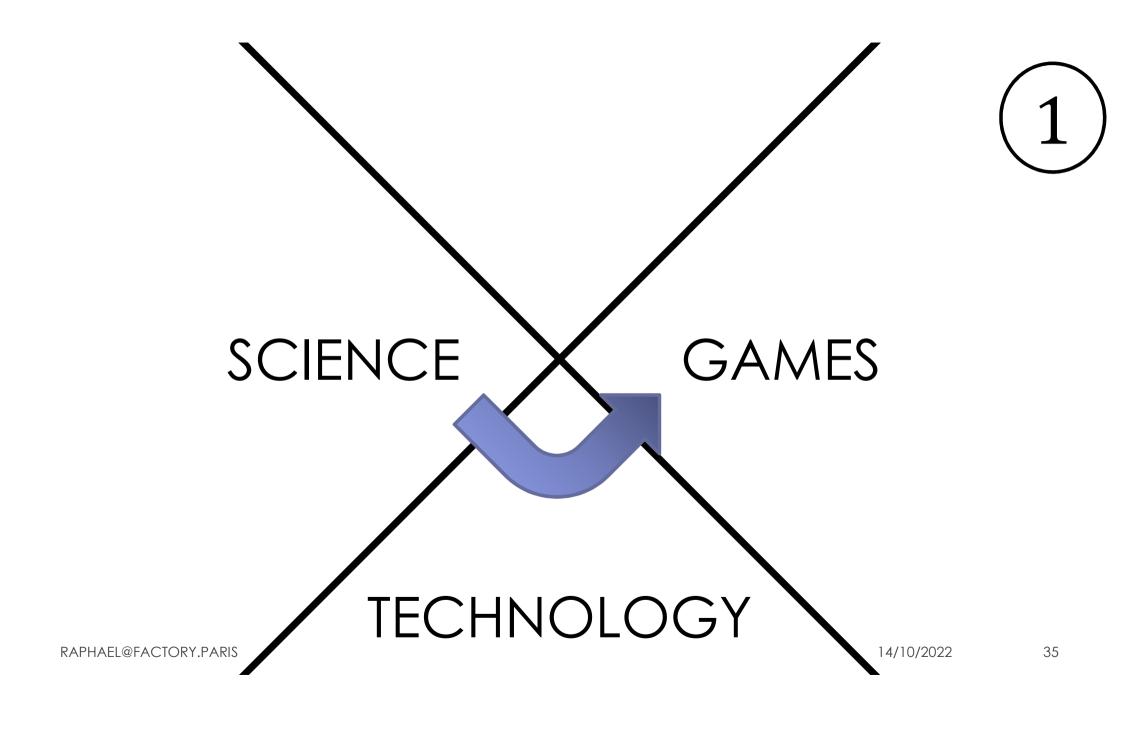
UNBREAKABLE
BONDS VIA
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### SCIENCE X GAMES

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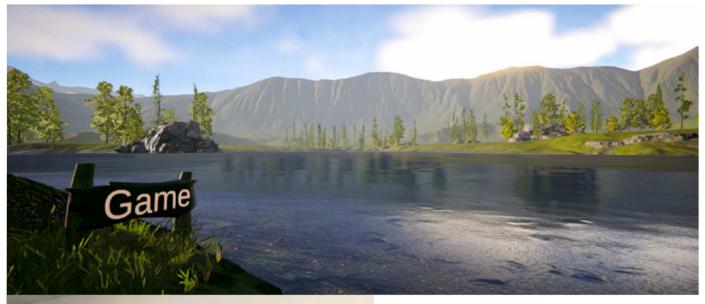




## AUGMENTED AND VIRTUAL REALITIES

User comfort challenge

From a few minutes to an hour of play





A polytechnic student skimming stones in his homemade VR game REAL-TIME SIMULATIONS FOR OPEN AND INTELLIGENT WORLDS

Weather

Fluids

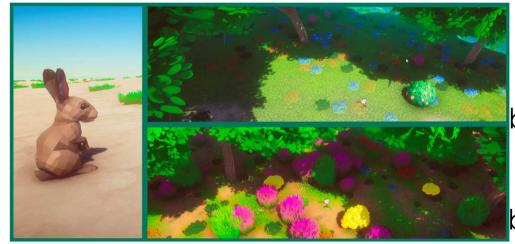
Plants & Animals

Societies

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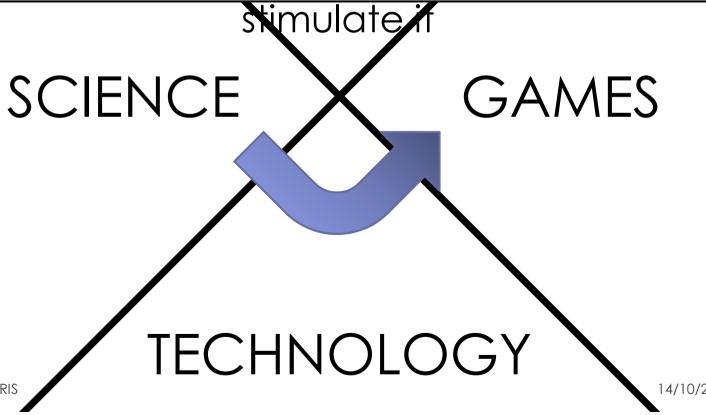
- → Projects 4 student
- → Topics 4 conferen





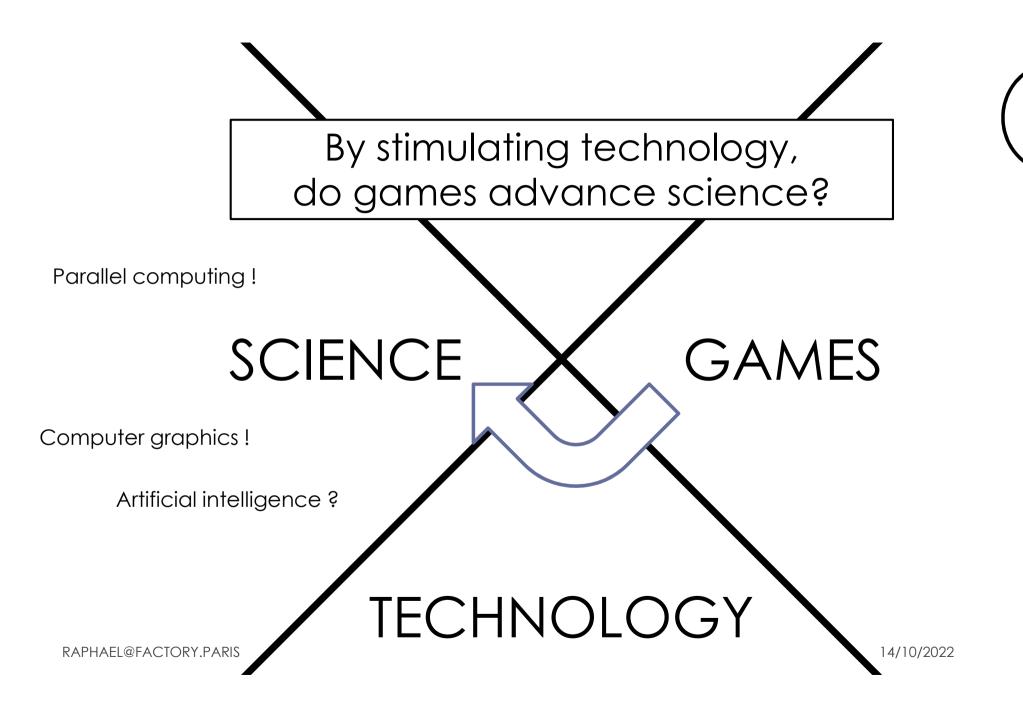
A game about biodiversity made by our students (Polytechnique best project 2022

Sciences produce technologies Games follow technology closely and sometimes illustrate it, demonstrate it,



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# ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

(video) games challenge Al

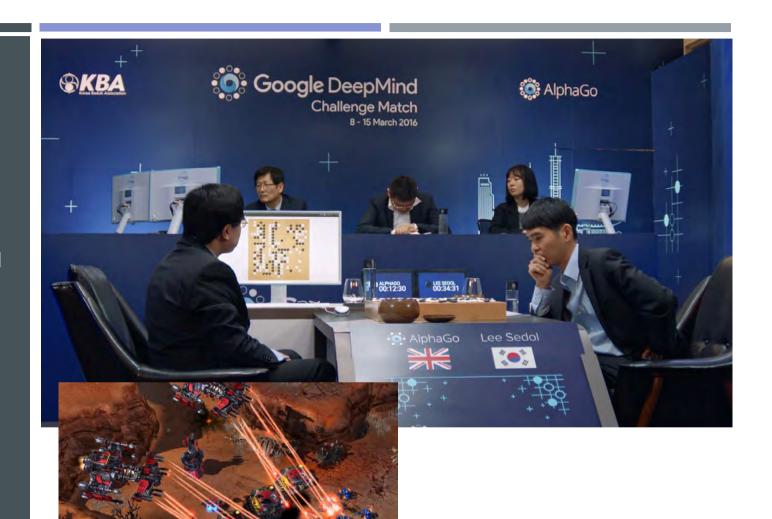
1997 DeepBlue for chess

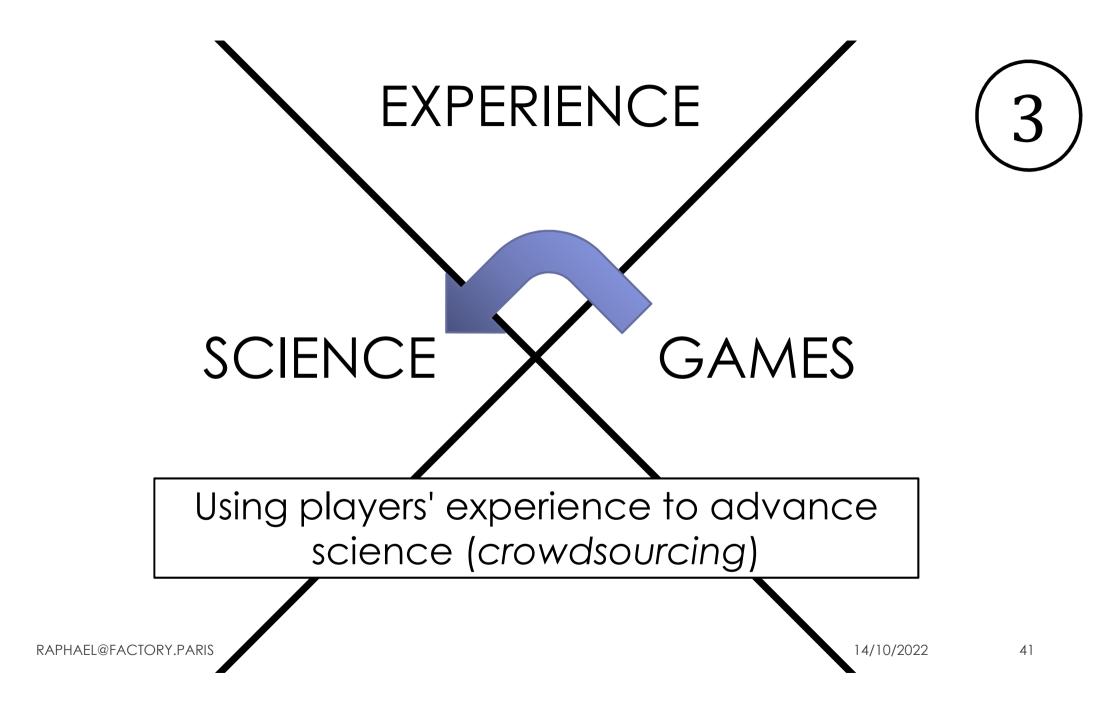
2016 AlphaGo

2019 AlphaStar

StarCraft II using multiagent reinforcement learning.

Nature 575 (2019) 350



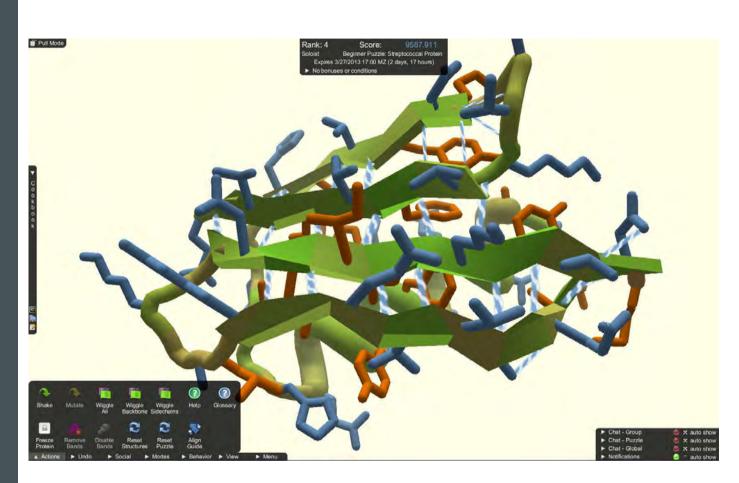


## FOLD IT

Washington Uni.

57 000 players folding proteins

One article in Nature



http://centerforgamescience.org/

REPLACING
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Very likely for hard sciences!

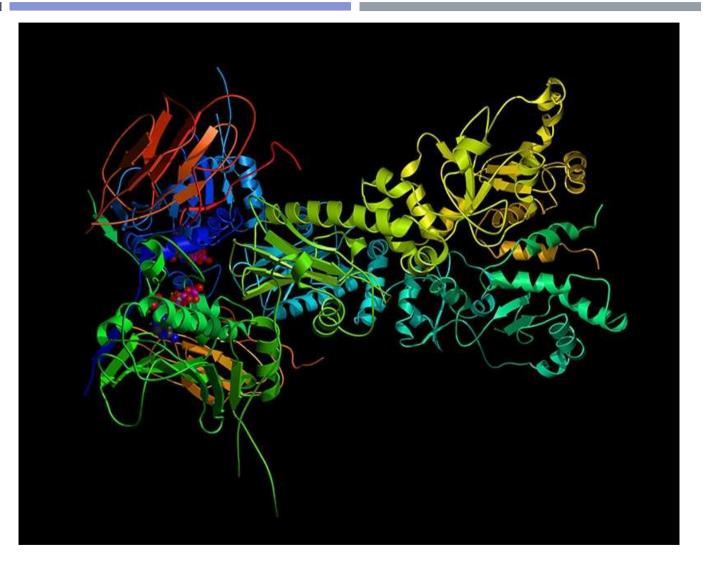
REPLACING
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Game over for proteins!

AlphaFold in

Nature 588 (2020) 203



# REMPLACER LE CROWDSOURCING PAR L'INTELLIGENCE ARTIFICIELLE ?

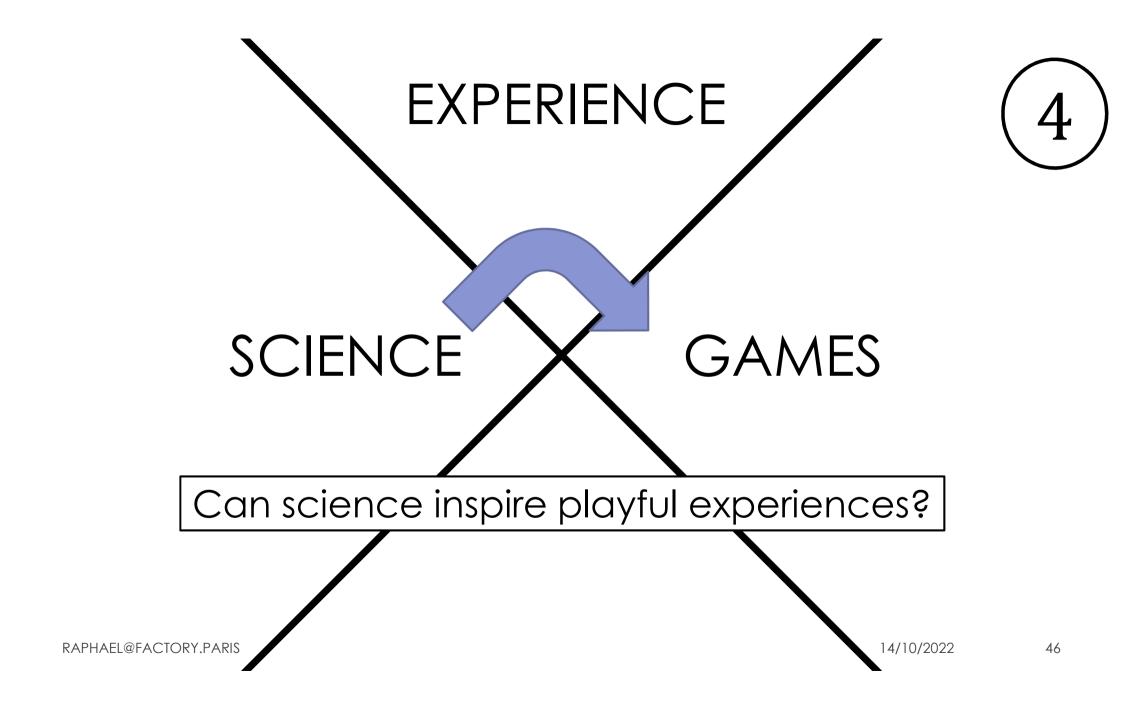
Very likely for hard sciences!

But not for human sciences!

- Cognition
- Societies
- • •



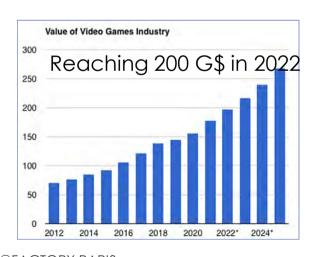
game to detect the early signs of Alzheimer's disease)
Another paper in Nature about correlating
sense of direction with geographical origin



## GAMES TO LEARN / ILLUSTRATE

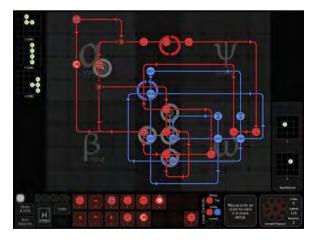
## Four advantages of the "video game" medium

- Evoking embodiment via animated images
- Science-inspired game mechanics
- Easier learning through interactivity
- Large audience (first entertainment industry)



I hear and I forget
I see and I remember
I do and I understand
(inspired by confucianism)





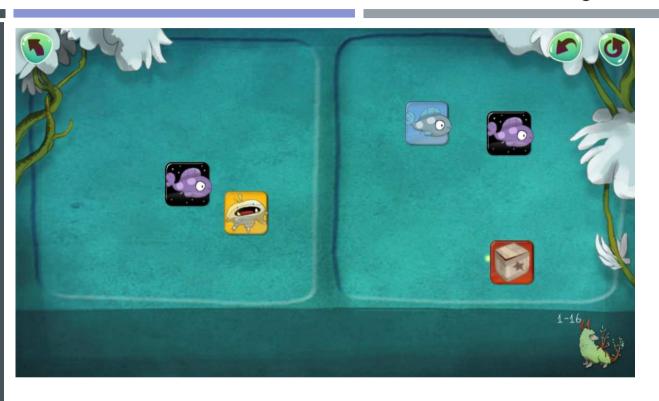
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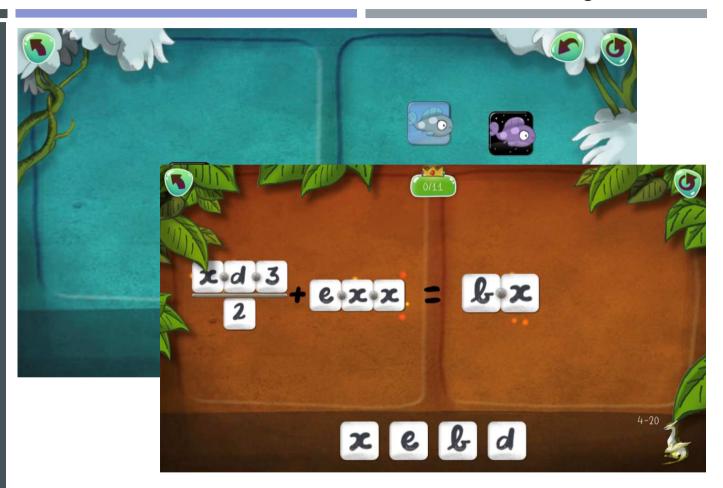
## DIRECT LEARNING

Dragonbox, math
Sokobond, chemistry
Mecagenius, mecanics
Metablast, biology
...



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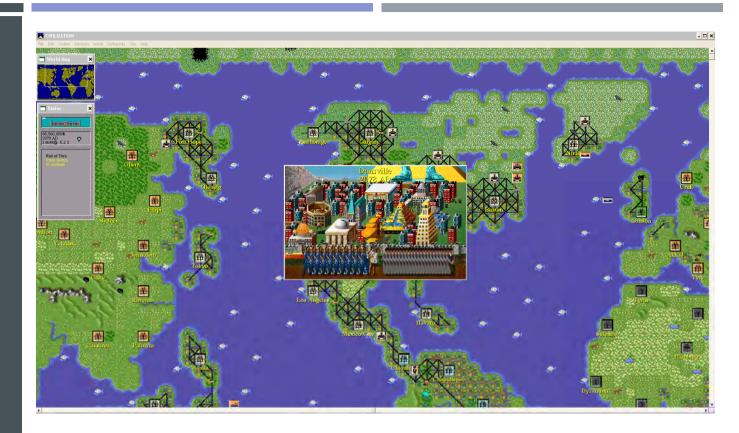
Deployed in classrooms in Norway

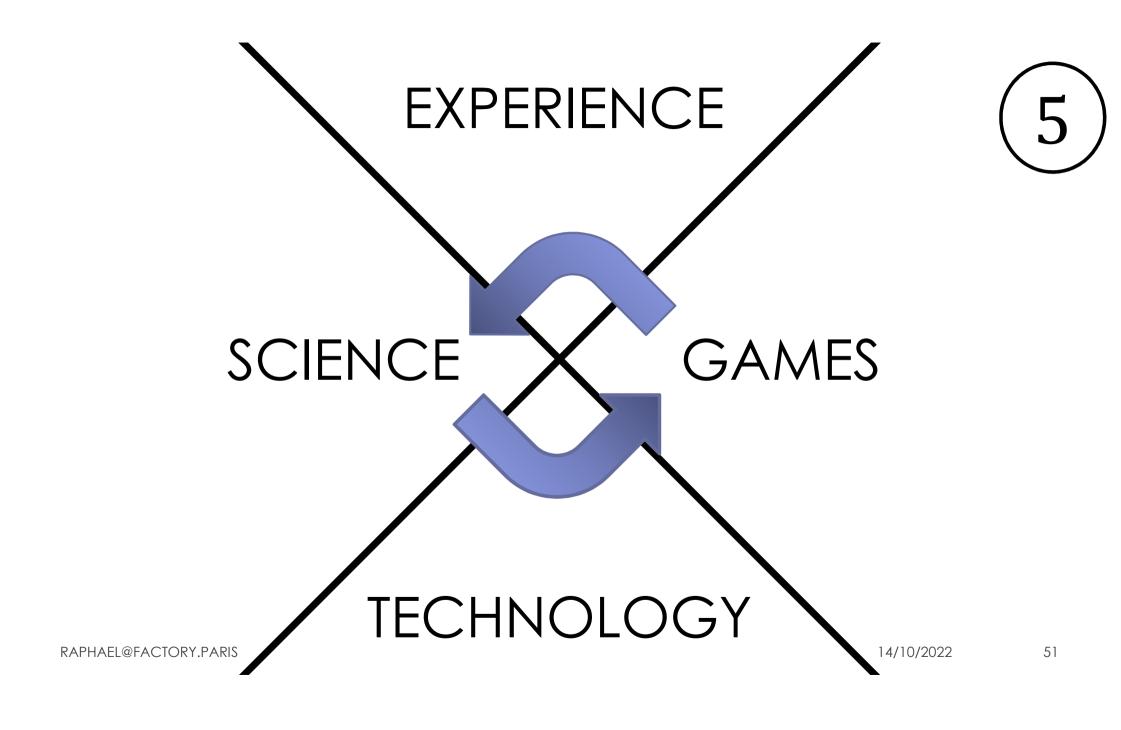
# INDUCTION LEARNING

Civilization, history

Minecraft, construction

• • •





## THOUGHT DIRECTED GAMES

Brain Invader, 2017





## SCIENCE FOR ALL FUN ABOVE ALL

contact@sciencexgames.



**★** ② Science X Games

http://sciencexgames.fr



Science X Games



## BACK-UP SLIDES

#### I. THE GENESIS < 2019

- During 2015 = An idea to answer the ERC Proof-of-Concept call (fail ⊕)
  - Produce a game to popularise particle physcis (on-going...)
- March 15, 2016 = Meeting the valorisation services @ X (SR2PI)
  - Market study @ SATT Paris-Saclay, expression of interest...
- Lign up on all money counters:
  - © Proposal to the P2IO LabEx → 25 k€, Tony the dev (March 2017...)

- © Second attempt to the ERC PoC
- **©** CNRS prematuration
- © Paris-Saclay prematuration → 45 k€, PAF the game designer (February 2018...)
- © LLR Support → 30 k€ (... December 2018)
- March 21, 2018 : meeting Ubisoft !
- January 1st, 2019, for five years...
  - Chair → Catherine the project

#### A SIDE PROJECT

(BPI funding obtained by/with the Manzalab com





## CLASSE VIRTUELLE IMMERSIVE DE PHYSIQUE DES PARTICULES























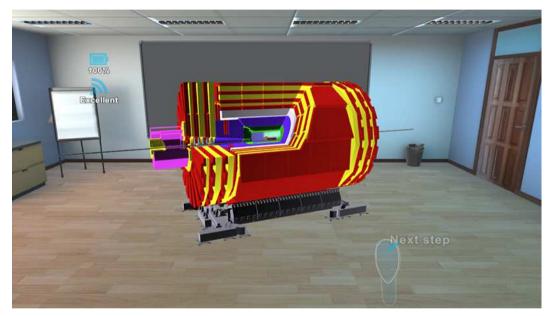
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## A 3D WORKSHOP



















Le dispositif







départ





## A 3D & 360° VIRTUAL VISIT





Le dispositif



















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Communication tools

LA JAUNE LA RÖUGE

- A web site and blog:
   <u>sciencexgames.fr</u>
- YouTube (300 followers, 4 300 views et 500 h)
- Twitter (700 followers, 250 tweets...)





- 12 seminars
- 10 articles written by us or on us (Le Monde, Journal du CNRS, Ciel & Espace...)
- 2 radio shows (RFI, France Culture...)











# More detailed information:

## Some of our partners

#### Academic (France)

- INRIA, CNRS...
- Paris-Saclay (Diagonale, Scène de recherche and beyond)
- Other universities...
- ENSAD (arts décos)
- ENS Louis Lumière
- École Boule
- Gobelins, ENSCI, CY Design
- CNAM/ENJMIN (video game)
- IRCAM
- ...

#### Industrial

- Ubisoft (science et video games chair)
- LVMH (seeding the studio design)
- PME: Hue Data, Manzalab, Immersion tool, MocapMab, F'Acoustics
- ...

### Cultural institutions

- Fondation Carasso (arts & sciences chair)
- 104, Forum des Images
- Centre Pompidou…
- ...

#### Who are we?











≈ 80 signatories with varying degrees of involvement ≈ 40 X + 25 TP + 10 ENSTA + 5 TSP + 1 ENSAE

Including 3 heads of department = Schütz (SHALL), Licoppe (SSM), Defude (IDIA)

[design] Huron (TP), Cani (X) and collaborators...

> 5 persons / lab

[game] Granier de Cassagnac & Rolland (X, chair in science & videogames); teachers @ TP and TSP

[museo] Brechenmacher, Azzola (X), Perez (ENSTA), Trahay (TSP)...

[perform] Chomaz (X, chair in Arts & Sciences), Kobryn (ENSTA)...

[social] Fournout, Dickman, Diminescu, Rollet (TP), Schütz (X)...

[sound] Doaré + team (ENSTA), Essid + ADASP team (TP)...

[story] Mallet (ENSAE), Garron (TP), Argeles, Bouttier, Robinson (X)...

[virtual] Zaharia (TSP), Rohmer, Kalogeiton (X), Safin (TP) + teams...

This is just a selection of the most active members, mentioned only once when involved in more than 1 lab, contact persons are underlined

## DesignLab





Why? Design methods stand at the crossroads of applied arts, computer graphics and human-machine interface, constituting the basic building blocks for all physical or digital creation

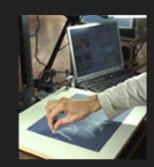
#### Who?

- Students introduced to the subject through a range of training courses in drawing, interaction design, prototyping, 3D, etc.
- Researchers at Télécom (using a design studio managed by Interact/i3) and at Polytechnique (GeoVic/LIX), ranging from social science to computer science
- Artists/designers and researchers in residence

How? Building links between existing teams in order to

- Propose student projects fostering creativity
- Design structuring research projects, such as
  - CreativeAI, dedicated to the development of intelligent creative support systems
  - Continuum, an Equipex project dedicated to setting up a continuum between digital and human collaborators)







## GameLab







Why? Video games are the 10<sup>th</sup> art, represent the largest share of the entertainment industry (> 150G\$/an), involving many different areas (computer graphics, AI, data, images, sounds, narration...)

#### Who? Dozens of motivated students

- Courses offered at Télécoms and X
- A chair and a GameLab at 'X (Ubisoft)
  - A yearly conference
  - A science popularisation game
  - A network of universities and industrial partners

- Migrate GameLab to Factory
- Collaborate with other labs (Virtual, Sound...)



#### MuseoLab







Why? The historical collections of the member schools represent a unique testament of the bridges between sciences, arts and society, a major asset both for teaching and research, associated with the international standing of universally admired figures such as Poincaré, Cauchy, Lagrange and others

#### Who?

- Mus'X, ENSTA collections, museum of telecommunication at TSP
- Many students interested in interdisciplinary projects

- Foster the integration of these collections into teaching, research and cultural activities in our libraries
- Participate in the scientific policy of IP Paris' museum spaces (temporary exhibitions, meetings, performances, etc.)
- Develop innovative mediation for large and international audiences:
  - Interactive modelling with GameLab, virtual reality with VirtualLab, etc.





### SocialLab





Why? Human relations are changing, and our engineers must be prepared, for example, for controversies, fake-news, fact-checking, cancel culture...

#### Who?

- The SES department at Télécom Paris has extensive experience in fictionalising the societal and scientific controversies: 40 works of art, 14 articles, 1 book, 7 authors, 20 external partners
  - O A Pokemon Go of job finding <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LGozUxaV4Vk">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LGozUxaV4Vk</a>
  - An encyclopedia of speech <a href="https://encyclopediedelaparole.org/fr">https://encyclopediedelaparole.org/fr</a>
- Resonances need to be found in the 4 other schools

- New approaches in history, thanks to new vectors
- Set up, experiment with and describe participatory or collective creation schemes
- Deepening expertise in the performing arts

#### SoundLab





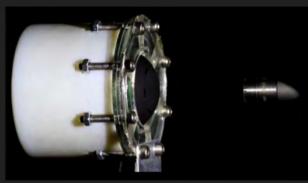


Why? Sound at the frontier of music and acoustics: miniature and intelligent transducers, sound synthesis and creation of virtual environments, new musical formats, AI at the service of musical analysis and composition...

#### Who?

- ENSTA team specialised in synthesis and modelling
- ADASP@Telecom specialised in audio data analysis

- Federating the different teams' research
- Sharing a large sound recording and mixing studio, open to current and future broadcast formats
- Contributing to the many productions of the Factory (video games, live shows, audiovisuals, performances, etc.)





## StoryLab





Why? How do narratives shape the core issues of ongoing societal transitions (scientific, technological, ecological, ethical, political, social...)? What material are they built with?

#### Who?

- Several writers / storytellers / scriptwriters at IP Paris
- Literature professors (various languages)
- A Research Group on Identities, Cultures and Histories @ X (GRICH)

- Investigating multi-media narratives in a research seminar
- Teaching storytelling to students (courses, workshops...)
- Producing useful publications, for example:
  - Nos Futurs, an anthology of sciences and fiction on global warming
  - Essay: Observing societies through the lens of fiction (8 articles, 7 authors from IP Paris)

#### VirtualLab







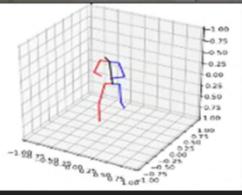
Why? Democratizing AR/VR applications for the general public (entertainment, games, etc.), industry (simulation, training, etc.), museums and the arts (live performances, etc.)

#### Who?

- Students and PhD students following specific courses (IP Paris M2 VAR, IGD, MScT AI-ViC, and engineers)
- Three teams: ARTEMIS@TSP, DIVA@Telecom, GeoVic@X
- Strong potential for industrial partnerships (Metaverse...)
- Discussion with Hue Data, Immersion tools, Manzalab, Lynx...

- Find a location and invest in ambitious shared amenities
- Federate the teams' skills and resources
- Interact with other labs (Game, Design, Museo...)





#### PerformLab





Why? Public in-reach - Involving "people" into scientific modes of inquiry through research-creation of artistic installations and performances. Revealing the sensitive part of a scientific approach. Grounding IP Paris in its local environment.

#### Who?

- Researchers in artistic and scientific residencies
- Students in arts/design and sciences
- An "arts & sciences" chair at X with the Arts Déco and Carasso Foundation
  - Exoplanète Terre Network, Exhibitions
  - Symposiums, Summer Schools
  - Research/creation PhD's

How? Extend the PerformLab to La Factory (institutions and other labs), strengthen local partnerships (Scène de recherche, Diagonale, Essonne, 104...)