THOMAS FISCHER Phd. Phd. Fdrs. FCvbs

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Born in Germany, 1972

German, permanent HK resident, China resident citizenship

married, two children family tfischer@sustech.edu.cn email http://www.tfischer.de website

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY 2021-ongoing

SUSTech Professor at, and founding member of, the School of Design. Leader of the

Design Cybernetics Group (https://designcybernetics.org)

XI'AN JIAOTONG-LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY

XJTLU Professor at, and founding member of, the Departments of Architecture and Design. Acting Head of Department of Architecture (2011–2013). Associate

Professor (2011–2018), Professor (since 2018), ongoing PhD supervisions.

2016-2017 HUMBOLDT UNIVERSITY

HUVisiting Researcher at the Institute of Musicology and Media Studies.

NATIONAL CHENG KUNG UNIVERSITY 2010-2011

NCKU Visiting Associate Professor at the College of Planning and Design.

> SHENZHEN UNIVERSITY Sep-Oct 2008

Shenzhen Visiting Professor (Sep-Oct 2008) at The College of Architecture and Urban University

Planning. Delivered creative innovation workshop and related lectures.

1999-2010 THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY

HKPolyUResearch Associate (1999–2001), Lecturer (2001–2008), Assistant Professor

and Industrial and Product Design Discipline Leader (2008–2010), ongoing

part-time postgraduate teaching.

Apr-Sep 1999 **DEAKIN UNIVERSITY**

Deakin Visiting Scholar (Apr-Sep 1999) at School of Architecture and Built

University Environment. Metadata specification for Construction Primer online learning

database, educational software prototyping.

EDUCATION

HARVARD UNIVERSITY 2019-2021

Graduate Cert in Harvard Extension School

Cybersecurity Professional graduate-level certificate in cybersecurity

> **RMIT University** 2002-2008

PhD in Spatial Information Architecture Laboratory

Architecture Thesis: Designing (tools (for designing (tools (for ...))))

Advisors: Prof. Mark Burry, Prof. John Frazer & Prof. Ranulph Glanville

1997-2001 University of Kassel

PhD in Department of Education (FB1)

Education Thesis: Eine Mustersprache für das Design von Autorensystemen

Advisors: Prof. Wilhelm SANKE & Prof. Hans DEHLINGER

University of Kassel 1992-1996

Master of Department of Education (FB1)

Education Thesis: Hypertext: Strukturen und Didaktisches Potenzial

equivalent Advisor: Prof. Wilhelm SANKE

ACADEMIC MEMBERSHIPS

ASC American Society for Cybernetics – Lifetime Member

IASCYS International Academy for Systems & Cybernetic Sciences - Certified Talent

DRSDesign Research Society - Fellow

CybSoc The Cybernetics Society - Fellow

ISSS International Society for the Systems Sciences - Member

CAADRIA Computer-Aided Architectural Design Research in Asia - Member

ASAArchitectural Science Association - Member

The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers - Member *IEEE*

HKDA Hong Kong Designers Association - Member

RESEARCH AND PROJECT GRANTS

01 Sep 2022 -SUSTECH--POLYU HK Collaborative PhD program, PhD scholarship for project 30 Aug 2026 titled "Design and Evaluation of a Tangible Analog Computing System", primary

supervisor, RMB 598,000.

01 Apr 2019 – XJTLU Research Development Fund / PhD Scholarship, project code

31 Mar 2022 RDF-17-02-43 "Toolmaking in Parametric Façade Design", primary supervisor,

RMB 366,000.

01 Jan 2020 – KSF Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University Key Program Special Fund Project

31 Dec 2022 Code: KSF-E-49 "Paperless Drawing Method and Vernacular Tectonic",

co-investigator, RMB 200,000.

19 Jun 2018 -XJTLU Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) project "Low-Cost

28 Aug 2018 Digital Prototyping of Triangulated Shell Structures", primary investigator,

RMB 11,000.

01 Jul 2018 -XJTLU Research Development Fund / PhD Scholarship, project code

30 Jun 2021 RDF-17-01-57 "Architectural Devices as Catalysts for Urban Transformation",

primary supervisor, RMB 366,000.

XJTLU Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) project 20 Jun 2016 -

26 Aug 2016 "Challenges to the Adoption of BIM in Chinese Architecture, Engineering and

Construction", co-investigator, RMB 11,500.

13 Jun 2015 -XJTLU Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) project "Online 28 Aug 2015

Parametric Customisation of 3D - Printed Buildings", co-investigator,

RMB 9,500.

01 Jan 2014 – 31 Oct 2014	XJTLU Design Research Institute special budget for "Design Research: Shared Territories" Exhibition, together with Marian Macken and Anuradha Chatterjee, RMB 55,000.
01 May 2015 – 31 Mar 2017	XJTLU Research Development Fund, project code RDF-14-02-41 "Perceptions of Creative Direction-Giving in Design Teams", primary investigator, RMB 89,000.
16 Jun 2014 – 31 Aug 2014	XJTLU Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) project "Weaving Code", primary investigator, RMB 9,000.
31 May 2012 – 31 May 2013	XJTLU Research Development Fund, project code RDF-11-02-12 "Perceptions of Leading and of Being Led in Design Conversations", primary investigator, RMB 27,000.
15 Sep 2007 – 14 Mar 2009	HK PolyU School of Design RGC Internal Competitive Research Grant, project code A-PH34 "Design Education Knowledge as Community Property: Design of a Sharing Resource", primary investigator, HKD 95,240.
31 Jul 2006 – 31 Jul 2007	HK PolyU PhD scholarship (staff development programme) in support of PhD studies at RMIT, Australia, HKD 100,000.
3 May 2005 – 27 Feb 2009	HK PolyU Internal Competitive Research Grant, project code G-YC48 "Applying Haptic Programming in Product Design", primary investigator, HKD 178,500.
1 Nov 2004 – 31 Mar 2006	HK PolyU Faculty of Communication, Dean's Reserve, project code 1-ZV12 "Ergonomics and Usability in Keyboard Design", co-investigator, HKD 53,500.
1 Aug 2002 – 31 Jul 2005	HK RGC General Research Fund, project code B-Q628 "Designing and Applying Second Generation Machine-Readable Models", primary investigator, HKD 433,404.
1 Nov 2001 – 30 Apr 2002	HK PolyU School of Design Departmental General Research Fund, project code G-T448 "Investigation of Strategies to Explain Gaudí's Double Helix Columns Using Machine-Readable Models", primary investigator, HKD 58,910.
15 Apr 2000 – 10 Sep 2004	HK PolyU Internal Competitive Research Grant, project code G-YC48 "The Graphical User Interface in Virtual Reality - A Study on Immersive Navigation Systems", co-investigator, HKD 85,000.
1 Mar 2000 – 31 Dec 2004	HK PolyU School of Design RGC Internal Competitive Research Grant, project code A-PB84 "Distributed and Autonomous Intelligent Agents in Physical and Virtual Environments", primary investigator, HKD 180,000.
31 Jan 2000 – 31 Jan 2002	HK PolyU Earmarked Provision for Special Purposes, "DMAN: Digital Media Access Network", implementation of an on-premise data centre, project leader, HKD 7,000,000 plus annual service and maintenance budgets.
Apr 2000	Graduiertenförderung des Landes Hessen, University of Kassel (Germany), EUR 1,000.
01 Apr 1999 – 30 Sep 1999	Deakin University (Australia), Visiting Scholar Allowance, AUD 3,000.
	SERVICE
Exec Board Membership	Executive board member of the American Society for Cybernetics since 2009, currently in the role of Vice President for Electronic Publishing (Secretary from 2009 to 2014).

Conference Organisation Conference co-organiser of the annual conferences of the American Society for Cybernetics in 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2016 and 2017, as well as of the annual conferences of the Association for Computer-Aided Architectural Design Research in Asia (CAADRIA) in 2010 and in 2017.

Editing

First editor of Design Cybernetics: Navigating the New (Springer). First editor of the Proceedings of the 17th International Conference on Computer Aided Architectural Design Research in Asia in 2012. Co-editor of Volume 5, Issue 4 and Volume 10, Issue 4 of the International Journal of Architectural Computing, as well as of Volume 31, Issue 1 of Cybernetics and Human Knowing.

Postgraduate Consortium Coordination Postgraduate Consortium Co-Chair of the Association for Computer-Aided Architectural Design Research in Asia (CAADRIA) 2008–2012. Invited panellist 2014 and 2019.

University Administration Industrial and Product Design Discipline Leader at the School of Design at The Hong Kong Polytechnic University 2008–2010, Acting Head of the XJTLU Department of Architecture 2011-2013, Director of the XJTLU Design Research Institute since 2013. Chairmanship and membership in various university and departmental committees and work groups. Developed and/or revised 10+ design-related curricula at undergraduate and postgraduate levels. Leadership and participation in various academic outreach, recruitment and promotion activities.

AWARDS

May 2024

Red Dot Design Award (Product Design) for THE ANALOG THING by anabrid GmbH together with Karl-Heinz Dahlmann, Bernd Ulmann, Sven Köppel, Dirk Killat, and Lars Heimann.

Mar 2024

IF Design Award (Products, Computer) for THE ANALOG THING by anabrid GmbH together with Karl-Heinz Dahlmann, Bernd Ulmann, Sven Köppel, Dirk Killat, and Lars Heimann.

Dec 2021

Shenzhen Municipality Pengcheng Peacock Plan Grade A International Talent (3 years).

Apr 2019

Recognition by the International Academy for Systems & Cybernetic Sciences as a Certified Talent.

Nov 2017

Certificate of Achievement from the international journal *Architectural Science Review* recognising Thomas Fischer, 2014: "Scientific research into designing, While doing justice to designing", *Architectural Science Review*, Volume 57, Issue 4, pp. 240–248 as one of the journal's most-cited articles of the past 10 years.

Dec 2015

Outstanding Research Paper Award at the 8th Suzhou Academic Conference on Social Science (苏州市哲学社会科学界第八届学术大会征文) of the Suzhou Association of Philosophy and Social Science (苏州市哲学社科联合会): Third Prize for paper titled 参与,而非保护-传统工艺的计算学方法 (Participation, not conservation. A computing approach to traditional craft).

Apr 2015

Recipient of the 2014–2015 Inspiring XJTLU Person of the Year Award together with Christiane M. Herr, by students' popular vote.

Oct 2013

Winner of the 2013–2014 Annual XJTLU Teaching Prize for Innovative Teaching Practices as leader of a team conducting an exercise on Architectural Typograms.

Jul 2013 Best Paper Award of the journal Kybernetes for the paper titled "Enigmatic mechanisms in defense of the capability to have new ideas". Dec 2011 Long-Term Leading Talent in Jinji Lake Double Hundred Talents award programme (5 years). Aug 2011 Warren McCulloch Award of the American Society for Cybernetics. Oct 2008 Named Fellow of the Design Research Society. 2007 Outstanding Professional Services and Innovation Award by The Hong Kong Polytechnic University and Institute for Enterprise together with my PhD student Wing C. Lau. 2006 Outstanding Professional Services and Innovation Award by The Hong Kong Polytechnic University and Institute for Enterprise. Nov 2005 Faculty Team Award. Faculty of Communication, The Hong Hong Polytechnic University. With other contributors for the book *Hong Kong – Better by Design*. Apr 2002 Best Presentation Award. 2002 conference of the Association for Computer-Aided Architectural Design Research in Asia (CAADRIA) at the Multimedia University, Malaysia. Best Paper Award. 2002 conference of the Association for Computer-Aided Apr 2002 Architectural Design Research in Asia (CAADRIA) at the Multimedia University, Malaysia. STUDENTS' AWARDS **CAADRIA** My PhD student Chitraj Bissoonauth received the 2020 Young CAADRIA Award 2020 from the Association for Computer-Aided Architectural Design Research in Asia. **IDEERS** I co-supervised 3rd-year students ZHANG Haoning, NI Shuyu, Hu Qixuan and SONG Lu in winning the Structural Engineering Design and Aesthetic 2018 Architecture Design Awards, and in received the Earthquake Safe Certificate for their undergraduate category of the IDEERS 2018 Earthquake Engineering Research Competition. **IDEERS** I co-supervised 3rd-year students Li Shaokang, Qian Shiyu, Yang Shihao and 2015 ZHANG Xu as well as their support team SHAO Fuwei, LI Jiaxu, Du Hanxi and SHEN Xiaoya designing Stronger Together. It won the First Prize in Structural (Engineering) Design, the Most Preferable (public choice) Award, and a nomination (top six out of 42 competing teams) for Most Creative Architectural (Art) Design, as well as an Earthquake Safety Certificate in the undergraduate category of the IDEERS 2015 Earthquake Engineering Research Competition. Flying Cloud My 2nd-year BEng Industrial Design students Hu Xiaoyi, Gao Tongwei, HE Lei, and Mao Xinyi designed Hello China, which won the 2014 云彩飞 ("Flying 2014 Cloud") Innovation and Entrepreneurship competition organised by the Suzhou Industrial Park Science and Technology Development Association and the Suzhou Industrial Park Cloud Computing Industry Association. The award included RMB 300,000 for the commercial development of the project. XJTLUMy 2nd year undergraduate students Hu Enbo, Zou Yifeng, Xiao Jiajie, Wu Min,

Wu Yuexuan, Dan Zihang won an Honorable Mention at XJTLU Sixth

Innovative Entrepreneurship Competition for their project Gadget Radar.

2014

IDEERS 2014 I co-supervised 3rd-year students Liao Longtai, You Jie, Xie Minghuan and Wang Weiping designing *Smooth Tower*, which won the First Prize in Most Creative Structural (Engineering) Design, the First Prize in Most Creative Architectural (Art) Design, an Earthquake Safety Certificate and a runner-up position for the Most Preferable (public choice) Award in the undergraduate category of the IDEERS 2014 Earthquake Engineering Research Competition.

IDEERS 2013 I co-supervised 3rd-year students Li Jiehan, Li Yirong, Gu Mengxue and Cai Xinting designing *Woven Tower*, which won the the First Prize in Most Creative Structural (Engineering) Design, the Second Prize in Most Creative Architectural (Art) Design, and the Most Preferable (public choice) Award in the undergraduate category of the IDEERS 2013 Earthquake Engineering Research Competition, and Zhu Haoruo, Wang Siyao, Nan Fang and Xiong Henan who won an Earthquake Safety Certificate with *Interwoven Tower* in the same competition and category.

IDEERS 2010 I supervised students Andi Barlianto, Ayusta Panjaya, Ricky Priambodo and Yeddid Yonatan E.D. designing *Nano Tower*, which won the Most Creative Structural Design Engineering Award in the postgraduate category of the IDEERS 2010 Earthquake Engineering Research Competition.

SDAA, COW/2009 My final-year BA(Hons) in Industrial and product Design student Cheung Wai Chun Kevin won the 2009 SDAA outstanding graduate award as well as the COW/2009 International Design Festival's 2nd prize (Product Design) for his project *Shellody*.

IDHK

My final-year BA(Hons) in Industrial and product Design student Μακ Wing Shan Angel won a 2007 scholarship from the Industrial Designers Society of Hong Kong for her project *ButtonFree*.

Sony Design Award My 2nd-year BA(Hons) in Industrial and Product Design student Law Ka Yee Winnie won an a placement in the Sony Student Design Workshop in 2006 in Shanghai, where she has won the Sony Design Award for Best Family Unification Product. Her project titled *Family Photo Sharing Set* was exhibited on the 2006 Shanghai Design Biennial.

Red Dot Award, DesignSmart My final-year BA(Hons) in Industrial and product Design student Tsang Ka Ki Monica won the Red Dot Award 2006 for high design quality as well as the DesignSmart Young Design Talent Award 2007 with her tableware design *Plate Tectonics*.

PATENTS AND PRODUCT LICENCE AGREEMENTS

Dec 2024

China utility model patent, 03 Dec 2024, 一种基于幕墙的封闭式无人机包裹收货系统 (A Curtain Wall-Based Enclosed UAV Package Receiving System) together with Christiane M. Herr, Zhang Wuwei, Nong Weiyu, Liu Zihan, and Tang Chao. Patent number ZL 2024 2 0928189.X.

Dec 2024

China utility model patent, 10 Dec 2024, 一种基于幕墙的无人机物流收货平台 (A Curtain Wall-based UAV Logistics Receiving Platform) together with Christiane M. Herr, Zhang Wuwei, Nong Weiyu, Liu Zihan, and Tang Chao. Patent number ZL 2024 2 0960287.1.

Dec 2024

China design patent, 06 Dec 2024, 电子卡林巴 (Electronic Kalimba) together with JIANG Hanxi. Patent number ZL 2024 3 0262762.3.

Nov 2024 China utility model patent, 22 Nov 2024, 一种用于无人机物流的可折叠风速动态调节装置 (A Foldable Wind Speed Dynamic Adjustment Device for UAV Logistics) together with Christiane M. Herr, Zhang Wuwei, Nong Weiyu, Liu Zihan, and Tang Chao. Patent number ZL 2024 2 0925642.1

May 2023 China utility model patent, 27 Jun 2023, 一种 3D 打印装置 (A 3D Printing Device) together with BAI Jiaming. Patent number CN 219256481 U.

Jun 2008 License agreement with Technical (HK) Manufacturing Ltd. via PolyU

Technology & Consultancy Company Ltd. Rotoroast together with student MAK

Wing Shan.

Oct 2007 License agreement with Well Group Enterprise Ltd. via PolyU Technology & Consultancy Company Ltd. Truckloads of Knowledge together with student Chan Wing Chi.

May 2006 Hong Kong patent, 16 May 2006, validity 8 years) Device for Interpreting
Manual Symbol Input using Manual Display Element Interaction together with
PhD student Wing C. LAU. Patent number HK1084827.

Mar 2006 Hong Kong patent, 16 March 2006, validity 8 years) Digital Timing Device and Method for Setting or Adjusting the Timing Device together with PhD student Wing C. Lau. Patent number HK1083431.

EDITING AND CURATING

C&HK

Jan 2019 Springer: Design Research Foundations
Springer Design Cybernetics. Navigating the New (350 pages). Editors: Thomas Fischer and Christiane M. Herr, Springer, Cham, ISBN: 978-3-030-18557-2.

Mar 2016 Cybernetics & Human Knowing

Mar 2016 Cybernetics & Human Knowing 50th Anniversary Retrospective of the ASC (special issue) Volume 23, Issue 1 Editors: Christiane M. HERR, Thomas FISCHER and Ranulph GLANVILLE. ISSN: 0907-0877.

Nov 2014 Shared Territories

Shared Peer-reviewed Design Research Exhibition at XJTLU in Suzhou, China.

Territories Curators: Anuradha Chatterjee, Marian Macken and Thomas Fischer.

Oct 2013 Int'l Journal of Architectural Computing

IJAC Volume 10, Issue 4. Editors: Thomas FISCHER, Wendy FOK and Urvi SETH.
ISSN: 1478-0771.

Apr 2012 CAADRIA 2012 Proceedings

CAADRIA

Beyond Codes and Pixels. The Proceedings of the 17th International Conference on Computer Aided Architectural Design Research in Asia, Hindustan University, Chennai, India (712 pages). Editors: Thomas FISCHER, Kaustuv DE BISWAS, Jeremy J. HAM, Ryusuke NAKA and Weixin HUANG. ISBN: 978-988-19026-3-4.

Oct 2005 Int'l Journal of Architectural Computing

IJAC Special Focus Issue on Computational Geometry and Design Exploration

Volume 5, Issue 4. Editors: Thomas FISCHER, Tomohiro FUKUDA and Zhou QI.

ISSN: 1478-0771.

BOOK-LENGTH PUBLICATIONS

May 2023 anabrid GmbH

anabrid THE ANALOG THING. First Steps (28 pages). Authors: Thomas Fischer and

Bernd Ulmann, anabrid, Berlin, URL:

https://the-analog-thing.org/THAT_First_Steps.pdf.

Jan 2018 Springer: Design Research Foundations

Springer Design Cybernetics. Navigating the New (350 pages). Editors: Thomas Fischer

and Christiane M. HERR, Springer, Cham, ISBN: 978-3-030-18557-2.

Nov 2018 DeGruyter

DeGruyter Stefan Höltgen, Thorsten Schöler, Johannes Maibaum and Thomas Fischer

(2019). Medientechnisches Wissen Band 2: Informatik, Programmieren, Kybernetik (444 pages), DeGruyter, Oldenburg. ISBN: 978-3-11-049624-6.

Apr 2012 CAADRIA 2012 Proceedings

CAADRIA Beyond Codes and Pixels. The Proceedings of the 17th International Conference on Computer Aided Architectural Design Research in Asia, Hindustan University,

Chennai, India (712 pages). Editors: Thomas Fischer, Kaustuv De Biswas,

Jeremy J. Ham, Ryusuke Naka and Weixin Huang. ISBN: 978-988-19026-3-4.

Apr 2012 Tractatus Paradoxico-Philosophicus

Tractatus Ricardo B. Uribe (1991). Tractatus Paradoxico-Philosophicus. A Philosophical Approach to Education, Red Edition. From Spanish/English to German.

BOOK TRANSLATION

Ricardo B. Uribe (1991). *Tractatus Paradoxico-Philosophicus*. *A Philosophical Approach to Education*, Red Edition. From Spanish/English to German.

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C & HK Thomas Fischer (2025). Positive feed-forward: AI-based visual storytelling in

 ${\it design ethics}, {\it Cybernetics and Human Knowing}, {\it in review}.$

Constructivist Thomas Fischer and Li Hengjie (2025). Design of a contemporary elementary non-trivial machine, Constructivist Foundations, 20(2), 159–167, open access.

Constructivist Guillermo Sánchez Sotés, Thomas Fischer and Christiane M. Herr, (2025).

Foundations Review of an academic research project "as done," Constructivist Foundations,

20(2), 132-144.

FOAR Chitraj BISSOONAUTH, Thomas FISCHER, and Christiane M. HERR (2024). The

appropriation of autopoiesis in architecture, *Frontiers of Architectural Research*, in press, open access, DOI: 10.1016/j.foar.2024.12.005.

Materials & Thomas Fischer, Chitraj Bissoonauth, Haowen Liang, and Jiaming Bai (2024).

Design Enabling cross-morphological performance comparison: A case study in heat

management design, Materials & Design, 239, 112826, open access DOI:

10.1016/j.matdes.2024.112826.

IJAC	Thomas Fischer and Thomas Wortmann (2022). Algebraic analysis and reconstruction of the Philips Pavilion's hyperbolic paraboloid surfaces, <i>International Journal of Architectural Computing</i> , 20(1), 61–75, DOI: 10.1177/14780771221082253.
Kybernetes	Thomas Fischer (2020). Narratives of exploration: From "Failure is not an option" to "Try again. Fail again. Fail better", <i>Kybernetes</i> , 49(8), 2091–2108, DOI: 10.1108/K-07-2019-0502.
Kybernetes	Thomas Fischer (2019). Transcomputability, (Glanville's Corollary of) Ashby's Law of Requisite Variety, and epistemic processes, <i>Kybernetes</i> , 48(4), 793–804, DOI: 10.1108/K-11-2017-0457.
KnE SocSci	Chitraj Bissoonauth, Christiane M. Herr and Thomas Fischer (2019). Sustainable architecture for future high density cities: An applied design approach, <i>KnE Social Sciences</i> , 3(27), 559–571, DOI: 0.18502/kss.v3i27.5557.
JCDE	Christiane M. Herr and Thomas Fischer (2018). Building information modelling adoption in the context of the Chinese AEC industries: An extended BIM adoption model, <i>Journal of Computational Design and Engineering</i> , 6(2), 173–178, DOI: 10.1016/j.jcde.2018.06.001.
Kybernetes	Thomas Fischer (2017). A cybernetic perspective on determinability and design research, <i>Kybernetes</i> , 46(9), 1588–1596, DOI: 10.1108/K-10-2016-0269.
Leonardo	Thomas Fischer and Laurence D. Richards (2017). From goal-oriented to constraint-oriented design: The cybernetic intersection of design theory and systems theory, <i>Leonardo Journal</i> , 50(1), 36–41, DOI: 10.1162/LEON_a_00862.
C & HK	Thomas Fischer (2016). In Ranulph's terms, <i>Cybernetics and Human Knowing</i> , 21(1), 87–97.
IEEE Tech. & Soc.	Thomas Fischer (2015). Wiener's prefiguring of a cybernetic design theory, <i>IEEE Technology and Society Magazine</i> , 34(3), 52–59, DOI: 10.1109/MTS.2015.2461172.
C & HK	Thomas Fischer (2015). Designing together, <i>Cybernetics and Human Knowing</i> , $22(2/3)$, $131-144$.
Kybernetes	Thomas Fischer (2015). Blind spots obscuring circular causality in design and elsewhere, <i>Kybernetes</i> , 44(8/9), 1233–1239, DOI: 10.1108/K-11-2014-0267.
Arch. Science Review	Thomas Fischer (2014). Scientific research into designing, while doing justice to designing, <i>Architectural Science Review</i> , 57(4), 240–248, open access, DOI: 10.1080/00038628.2014.958128.

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10.1016/j.foar.2014.06.003.

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Thomas Fischer (2014). Circular causality and indeterminism in machines for design, *Frontiers of Architectural Research*, 3(4), 368–375, open access, DOI:

Kybernetes

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Christiane M. Herr and Thomas Fischer (2013). Systems for showing and repurposing: A second-order cybernetic reflection on some cellular automata projects, *Journal of Mathematics and System Science*, 3(4), 201–216, open access, DOI: 10.17265/2159-5291/2013.04.007.

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Thomas FISCHER (2013). The roles of listening and non-listening in the formation of organizational hierarchies, *Cybernetics and Human Knowing*, 20(1/2), 63-72.

ArS

Thomas Fischer (2012). Geometry rationalization for non-standard architecture, *Architecture Science*, 5, 25–47.

AMM

Christiane M. Herr and Thomas Fischer (2012). Constructing cardboard chairs for children as a part of applied structural design education in architecture, *Applied Mechanics and Materials*, 174–177, 1604–1610, DOI: 10.4028/www.scientific.net/AMM.174-177.1604.

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Christiane M. Herr, Thomas Fischer, Steven S. Millard and André Brown (2012). Form and formalism: On the future role of structural design in architectural education in China, *Advanced Materials Research*, 450–451, 257–262, DOI: 10.4028/www.scientific.net/AMR.450-451.257.

Kybernetes

Thomas FISCHER (2011). When is analog? When is digital? *Kybernetes*, 40(7/8), 1004–1014,DOI: 10.1108/03684921111160232.

C & HK

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AutCon

Thomas Fischer (2007). Rationalising bubble trusses for batch production, *Automation in Construction*, 16(1), 45–53, DOI: 10.1016/j.autcon.2005.10.004.

IJAC

Thomas Fischer (2005). Teaching programming for and with microcontroller-enhanced physical models, *International Journal of Architectural Computing*, 3(1), 57–74,DOI: 10.1260/1478077053739603.

AutCon

Thomas Fischer, Mark Burry and John Frazer (2005). Triangulation of generative form for parametric design and rapid prototyping, *Automation in Construction*, 14(2), 233–240, DOI: 10.1016/j.autcon.2004.07.004.

WSEAS Trans. Inf. Sci. Appl. Catherine Hu and Thomas FISCHER (2004). Cultural perception and technique as constraints in computational design evolution: A case study of generative Chinese typography, *World Scientific and Engineering Academy and Society Transactions on Information Science and Applications*, 1(1), 292–297.

WSEAS Trans. Systems Thomas Fischer (2004). Notes on modeling evolutionary directionality, *World Scientific and Engineering Academy and Society Transactions on Systems*, 2(3), 579–583.

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morphogenesis, International Journal of Design Computing, 6.

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Tangible interfaces to explain Gaudí's use of ruled-surface geometries,

Automation in Construction, 12(5), 467–471, DOI:

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Philip Wong and Thomas Fischer (2002). Object-oriented clusters. A proposal for a new parallel processing paradigm, Journal of Guizhou University of

Technology, 31(4), 27-33.

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Constructivist Thomas Fischer, (2025). The continuing relevance of the Ashby Box, **Foundations** Constructivist Foundations, 20(2), 181–184.

GRKG Thomas Fischer (2016). Norbert Wiener's Antizipation einer kybernetischen

Designtheorie, Grundlagenstudien aus Kybernetik und Geisteswissenschaften,

57(4), 240-253.

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play, Patterns, Fall 2008.

Harvard Asia Peter Dean and Thomas Fischer (2008). Toy safety or toying with safety? A Pacific Review

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protection, Harvard Asia Pacific Review, 9(2), 35-37.

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Thomas Fischer and Andrei Cretu (2023). The Ashby Box: A contextualization and speculative remake, in: Diego Gómez-Venegas (ed.), Frictions: Inquiries into Cybernetic Thinking and Its Attempts towards Mate[real]ization, Meson Press, Lüneburg, 163-193, open access.

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