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EDUCATION

Qualified Associate Professor (France 2019)

• PhD in Engineering Sciences (Computer Engineering, Automation and Signal Processing), CNU Section: 61, Application: Digital Health (eHealth) – With High Honors

University of Technology Belfort-MontBéliard (UTBM), Belfort, France, November 2017

Title: Elaborating the Actimetric Profile of Fall Sensitive Patients for Early Detection of

Fall Incidents

Research Lab: Nanomedicine, Imagery and Therapeutics (NiT Lab.), Belfort, France

PhD Supervisor : Dr. Amir Hajjam El Hassani - *University of Technology Belfort Montbéliard, France*

PhD Committee: Prof. Bernard Thirion Professeur - *University of Upper Alsace, France*

Prof. Francois Charpillet - *Director of Research at INRIA, France*Prof. Benoit Macq - *Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium*Prof. Jacques Duchène - *University of Technology of Troy, France*

Dr. Franck Gechter - University of Technology Belfort Montbéliard, France

Co-Supervisor 1 : Prof. Emmanuel Andres, MD, PhD - University of Strasbourg, France

Co-Supervisor 2: Prof. Rony Darazi - Antonine University, Lebanon

Online at: https://theses.fr/2017UBFCA016

Masters in Computer and Communications Engineering - With high distinction
Antonine University (UA), Faculty of Engineering, Hadat-Baabda, Lebanon, July 2005

• French and Lebanese Baccalaureates (Concentration: Mathematics) Collège des Frères-Mont La Salle, Ain Saade, Lebanon, June 1999

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

- Antonine University (UA), Dept. of CCE., Faculty of Eng., Hadat-Baabda, Lebanon (Full-Time)
 - Head of the Computer and Communications Engineering Department (2022 to present)
 - Associate Professor, Faculty member, (2024 to present)
 - Assistant Professor, Faculty member, (2017 to 2024)
 - Senior Lecturer and PhD student, Faculty member, (2013 to 2017)
- Antonine University (UA), Dept. of CCE, Faculty of Eng., Hadat-Baabda, Lebanon (Part-Time)
 - Lecturer, (2010 to 2013)

Subject (Lecture+ Lab) ³	${f Major^1}$	Total hours
Computer architecture (ARM7) (Lecture + Lab)	CC	893
Signals and Communication Systems (Lecture)	CC	200
Theory of Operating Systems (Lecture)	CC	39
Electromagnetics and Transmission Lines (Lecture)	TN	294
Microcontrollers (PIC+AVR) (Lecture + Lab)	TN + SN	1402
Microprocessor and Embedded Systems design (Lecture + Lab)	TN + SN	522
Research methods (Lecture)	CC	202
Digital Image Processing (lecture + Lab)	TN	462
Embedded systems (Lecture + Lab)	TN	357
Antennas and propagation, theory and design (Lecture)	TN	81
Embedded Systems design for IoT applications (Lecture)	Masters IoT ²	8
Total having (up to Enving 2022 2024)		4520h

Total hours (up to Spring 2023-2024)

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¹CC: Common Core | TN: Telecommunications and Networks | SN: Systems and Networks

²Interim Assistant Professor in the Masters IoT at Université Franche-Comté (UFC)

³All courses are delivered in English

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

• YOOVO Automation (Startup – Freelance)

Technical Consultant (2021 to present)

- Managing the product design of consumer electronics for automation
- DOUMMAR Contracting International s.a.l, Dora, Beirut, Lebanon (Full Time) Application and Design Engineer (2011-2013)
 - Solution and System integrator of IP Security Systems (e.g., IPTV, IPCCTV, IP Access Control, Digital Signage, Public Address, etc.)
- Multilane Inc. Houmal, Lebanon (Full Time)

Hardware Testing Engineer (2010-2011)

- Test bench development of hardware architectures on FPGA
- Fidus Systems s.a.l, Jounieh, Lebanon (Full Time)

Hardware Design Engineer (2009-2010)

- Hardware design using embedded systems (e.g., Microcontrollers)
- Layout and PCB design (multilayer PCB design)
- Hardware testing and debugging
- MacCorp Low Current and Fire Fighting Engineering s.a.r.l (Full Time)

Technical and Site Engineer (2005-2008)

- Designing, configuring, commissioning and maintaining life safety systems, Fire Alarm (Edwards Systems Technology – General Electric), Access Control (LENEL), and security systems.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Areas of Interest in Digital Health research: Gait and balance analysis; Fall detection and prediction; Sleep disorders and nocturnal falls; health signals tele-monitoring; Ambient Assisted Living (AAL) for elderly people; Ambient sensor networks; and various e-health applications.

Scholar profile: https://scholar.google.com/citations?hl=en&user=tw07GH0AAAAJ

H-index: 7 | Citations: 454

- Technical Program Committee (TPC) in many conferences (i.e., IEEE ICAR, IEEE MENACOMM)
- Steering Committee in the conference CATMIA (https://catmia.newel.net/)
- Associate researcher at SINERGIES Lab., Besançon, France
- Associate researcher at TICKET Lab., Antonine University, Hadat-Baabda, Lebanon
- Peer reviewer in reputable journals (IEEE Sensors, IEEE Access)

ADMINISTRATIVE & SERVICE ACTIVITIES

- Antonine University (UA), Hadat-Baabda, Lebanon
 - Head of the Computer and Communications Engineering Department (2022 to Present)
 - Managing over 1200 students and 150 faculty members in 3 campuses
 - At the level of the Faculty of Engineering
 - Head of the CCE Dept. council (2022 to present)
 - Member of the Faculty of Engineering council, (2017 to present)
 - Steering head of the Final Year Project (FYP) committee, (2013 to present)
 - Student advisor, program coordinator, course coordinator, (2013 to present)
 - Member of the TICKET Lab. council (2024 to present)
 - Member of the Program Assessment Committee (PAC), (2014 to 2016)
 - Member of the Transfer and EQuivalence committee (TEQ), (2020 2021)
 - Member in the organizing committee of scientific events:
 - Conferences: ICAR'15, ICAR'17, SBS'18
 - **Competitions:** UACPC'15, 16, 17, 18
 - Scientific events: ODBD'14, CSND'14, ODDS'17, Smart Beirut'18, ODT'19, ODAI'24
 - FYP supervisor, (2013 to present), **Record:** over 300 defended projects

- At the level of the University

- Member of the editorial committee for the scientific journal "*Pertinence*", (2024 to present)
- Member of the academic committee within the University, (2022 to present)
- Member of the curricular committee within the University, (2017-2018, 2020 to present)
- Member of the quality assurance committee within the University (AQUA) (2018 to 2022)
- Branch coordinator and member of the council, UA-Mejdelaya, North branch (2016-2017)

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Senior member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) | **ID:** #93079794
- Member in the Order of Engineers and Architects of Beirut (OEA) | **ID:** #35391
- Member of the International Society of Geron-technology (ISG)
- Member of the American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE)

AWARDS & CERTIFICATIONS

• Awards

- Best Supervisor-Student Innovative Development FYP, MUREX Awards, (June 2022)

Certifications

- Certificate of participation in the workshop "Incubation Mentorship" as part of the project SAFIR
- Certificate of participation in the BCI & Neuro-technology spring school 2022 organized by **g.tech** Medical Engineering (Online), (April 25 until May 4, 2022)
- Certificate of accomplishment of the workshop "STEM education", New York University of Abu Dhabi, (October 2020) *Funded by the US embassy in Abu Dhabi*
- Certificate of accomplishment of the MOOC "Machine Learning Foundations: A case Study Approach", University of Washington, (September 2016).
- Certificates of attendance to courses, "LabVIEW core 1 and 2, Data Acquisition and Signal Conditioning, Embedded Control and Monitoring", National Instruments, (August 2015).
- Certificate of attendance to the "e-health and Telemedicine Workshop for Elderly Patients: Technology and Perspectives", Lebanese University, Doctoral School of Science and Technology, (May 2015)
- Certificate of participation in the training "La pédagogie universitaire numérique et le e-learning", Université Libre de Bruxels, (January 2015).
- Certificate of participation in "Atelier de formation-réflexion sur l'enseignement universitaire", University of Lausanne, (July 2014).

To name just a few...

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

• Research Grants:

- **Project PHC-CEDRE:** Modeling and Analysis of Human Gait to Determine the Risk of Falls in the Elderly. (*Completed*)
 - In collaboration with UCH of Strasbourg, France and Sacré-Coeur Hospital, Lebanon
- **Project ALISON:** Evaluation of the Quality of Analgesia and the Depth of Sedation in Intensive Care Patients using Artificial Intelligence. (*In Progress*)
 - In collaboration with UCH of Besançon, France
- **Project ALISON++:** A Medical Device for the Optimization and Personalization of Sedation and Analgesia of the Intensive Care Patient. (*Accepted*)
 - In collaboration with UCH of Besançon, France
- **Project GRP 1:** Design and Implementation of an IoT Bed for Sleep Disorders Assessment and Nocturnal Activities Monitoring Including Falls. (*Submitted for Review*)
 - In collaboration with Sacré-Coeur Hospital, Lebanon
- Project GRP 2: Development of AI-Driven Burn Injury Management platform. (Submitted for Review)
 - In collaboration with Geitawi Hospital-Center of Burns

• PhD Supervision:

- **PhD Thesis 1:** "Analysis and Modeling of the Gait of the Elderly Subject for Evaluation and Prediction of the Risk of Falling"
 - Forced suspension: Cause: student unethical behavior
- **PhD Thesis 2:** "Classification of Sleep Disorders Using Personalized Computer Modeling for the Prevention of Nocturnal Falls"
 - Defended on November 13, 2024
- **PhD Thesis 3:** "Exploiting and Optimizing Hardware Architectures on FPGA to Reduce Time Sampling Uncertainties in Industrial Digital Oscilloscopes"
 - Defended on November 19, 2024
- PhD Thesis 4: "Implementation and Evaluation of a Postural Education Program in Schools in Lebanon"
 - Registration in progress

PhD Jury Member (Examiner):

- **PhD Thesis 1:** "Connected and Intelligent Housing for Home Support: Contribution to the Characterization of the State of Vulnerability of an Elderly Person"
 - Defended on January 18, 2023
- **PhD Thesis 2:** "Routing Optimization and Resource Allocation for Home Services and Healthcare Networks".
 - Defended on June 10, 2024

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Programming: VHDL, Verilog, Assembly (PIC+ARM+INTEL), C for microcontrollers, Arduino C
- Scientific Tools & CADs: MATLAB, OrCAD, PROTEUS, EAGLE, MultiSIM,
- Office Tools: Latex, Microsoft Office Tools
- IDE: Arduino, MPLAB, .Net Visual Studio, KEIL

LANGUAGES

- Native language: Arabic
- Foreign languages:
 - English and French → Very good level (Universal and Professional)
 - Spanish → Beginner
 - Greek → Beginner

List of Publications

International Journals

- 1. "BedSense: BedSense: A Bed-Mounted Sensor Node System for Sleep Activities Monitoring and Nocturnal Falls Detection", Ali Ibrahim, **Kabalan Chaccour**, Amir Hajjam El Hassani, Mohamed Hajjam El Hassani, Emmanuel Andres, In *IEEE on Sensors*.
 - 2. "Compensatiing Trigger Jitter and Time Interval Error Measurement for Digital Sampling Oscilloscopeswith Hardware Design on FPGA", Bilal Moussa, Kabalan Chaccour, Rachid Bouyekhf, Abdallah Abdallah, Mohamad Mroue, *International Journal on Measurement Science and Technology* (Under Review)
- 3. "Novel Enhancement Approach Following MVMD and NMF Separation of Complex Snoring Signals", Mariam Al Mawla, **Kabalan Chaccour**, Hoda Fares, *IEEE Transactions on Biomedical Engineering*.
 - 4. "Compensating Trigger Jitter and Time Interval Error Measurement for Digital Sampling Oscilloscopes with Hardware Desgin on FPGA", Bilal Moussa, **Kabalan Chaccour**, Rachid Bouyekhf, Abdallah Abdallah, Mohamad Mroue, *International Journal on Measurement Science and Technology*.
- 2020 5. "Bed Fall Detection and Prediction: A Generic Classification and Review of Bed Fall Related Systems", Ali Ibrahim, Kabalan Chaccour, Amir Hajjam El Hassani, Emmanuel Andres, In <u>IEEE on Sensors</u>, November 16, 2020
- 2016 6. "From Fall detection to fall prevention: A generic classification of fall related-systems", **Kabalan Chaccour**, Rony Darazi, Amir Hajjam, Emmanuel Andres, In *IEEE on Sensors*, November 11, 2016.

Book Chapters

7. "SleepPal: A Novel System for Elderly Sleep Monitoring and Bed Fall Detection", Ali Ibrahim, Kabalan Chaccour, Amir Hajjam El Hassani, Emmanuel Andres, Information and Communication Technologies for Ageing Well and e-Health published by Springer

International Conferences

- 2024 8. "Minimizing Sampling Jitter by the Design and Implementation of a Phase-Trigger DSO on FPGA", Bilal Moussa, **Kabalan Chaccour**, Rachid Bouyekhf, Abdallah Abdallah, 6th International Conference on Electronics and Communication, Network and Computer Technology (ECNCT'24)
- 2023 9. "Enhanced Classification of Snoring Sounds Using Stacked Classifier Models of Machine Learning with SVM-KNN and Deep Learning with RNN-LSTM", Georges El Khoury, Kabalan Chaccour, Georges Badr, Amir Hajjam El Hassani, IEEE International Conference on Bioinformatics and Biomedicine (IEEE BIBM 2023)
 - 10. "SleepPal: A Sleep Monitoring System for Body Movement and Sleep Posture Detection", Ali Ibrahim, **Kabalan Chaccour**, Amir Hajjam El Hassani, Emmanuel Andres, *ACM* 9th International Conference on Information and Communication Technologies for Ageing Well and e-Health (ICT4AWE), June 2023.
 - 11. "Design and Implementation of a Data Stream Anonymization Core on FPGA", Bilal Moussa, **Kabalan Chaccour**, Mohamad Mroue, 7th *International Conference on Cryptography, Security and Privacy (ICCSP 23)*
 - 12. "Hardware Implementation of the Precision Time Base Technique for Digital Sampling Oscilloscopes" Bilal Moussa, **Kabalan Chaccour**, Rachid Bouyekhf, 25th International Conference on Digital Signal Processing and its Applications (DSPA23), May 2023. (Best Paper Award)
- 2021 13. "Automated Face Detection and Control System Using Computer Vision based Video Analytics to Avoid the Spreading of COVID-19, Charbel El Gemayel, Kabalan Chaccour, Joseph El Gemayel, 4th International Conference on Innovation and Intelligence for Informatics, Computing, and Technologies (3ICT2021), November 4, 2021.
 - 14. "Fall Detection Algorithm using Body Angle for Accurate Classification of Falls and ADLs", Ali Ibrahim, **Kabalan Chaccour**, Amir Hajjam El Hassani, Emmanuel Andres, *IEEE International Conference on e-Health and Bioengineering (EHB2021)*, December 30, 2021
- 2017 15. "Fall Detection Method using Single Axis Acceleration and Angular Velocity", Daniel Badran, Kabalan Chaccour, Amir Hajjam El Hassani, Emmanuel Andres, In 9th International Conference on e-health, July 20-22, 2017.
 - 16. "Design and development of a Force-Sensing shoe for gait analysis and monitoring", **Kabalan Chaccour**, Rony Darazi, Amir Hajjam El Hassani, Emmanuel Andres, In 4th International Conference on Advances in Biomedical Engineering (ICABME'17), October 17-19, 2017.
- 2016 17. "Computer vision guidance system for indoor navigation of visually impaired people", **Kabalan Chaccour**, Georges Badr, In 8th IEEE International Conference on Intelligent Systems (IS'16), September 04-06, 2016.
 - 18. "Intelligent Software Simulation of Water Consumption in Domestic Homes", Rita Zaher, **Kabalan Chaccour**, Georges Badr, In 18th IEEE International Conference on Computer Modelling and Simulation (UKSim2016), 06-08 April 2016.
 - 19. "MobiCentraList: software keyboard with predictive list for mobile device", Georges Badr, Antoine Ghorra, **Kabalan Chaccour**, In 18th International Conference on Human-Computer Interaction (HCII 2016), July 17-22, 2016.
 - 20. "Sway Analysis and Fall Prediction Method based on Spatio-Temporal Sliding Window Technique", **Kabalan Chaccour**, Hiba Assaad, Rony Darazi, Amir Hajjam El Hassani, Emmanuel Andres, In 18th International Conference on e-Health Networking, Applications and Service (HEALTHCOM), September 14-17, 2016.
- 21. "Smart Carpet using piezoresistive differential pressure sensors for elderly fall detection", **Kabalan Chaccour**, Rony Darazi, Amir Hajjam El Hassani, Emmanuel Anbres, In 11th IEEE International Conference on Wireless and Mobile Computing, Networking and Communications (WiMOB), e-Health Pervasive Wireless Applications and Services (eHPWAS), October 19-21, 2015.
 - 22. "Novel indoor navigation system for Visually Impaired and blind people", **Kabalan Chaccour**, Georges Badr, In *International Conference on Applied Research in Computer Science and Engineering (ICAR'15)*, October 08-09, 2015,
 - 23. "Multi-sensory guided walker for guidance of visually impaired elderly people", **Kabalan Chaccour**, Rony Darazi, Amir Hajjam El Hassani, Emmanuel Andres, In 3rd International Conference on Advances in Biomedical Engineering (ICABME'15), September 16-18, 2015.
 - 24. "Power Generation and Cogeneration Management Algorithm with Renewable Energy Integration", Joseph Al Asmar, Raed Kouta, **Kabalan Chaccour**, Joseph El Assaad, Salah Laghrouche, Elie Eid, In *International Conference on Technologies and Materials for Renewable Energy, Environment and Sustainability (TMREES'15*), August, 2015
- 2014 25. "Foot pressure distribution modeling for top athletes", **Kabalan Chaccour**, Elie Khoury, Rony Darazi, In 21st Lebanese Association for Advancement in Science (LAAS'21), April 2015.
 - 26. "Exploratory study of the evolution of microprocessors through a performance perspective", Chady Abou Jaoude, **Kabalan Chaccour**, In *Pertinence review (Antonine University Editions)*, December 2014.