# van Sysoev

Postdoctoral Associate

# Contact

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## Skills

**Designing learning** technologies for children

Excellent

Software development (C#, Java, JavaScript, Python, C++)

Excellent

Quantitative and qualitative research

Excellent

Game development (Unity)

Excellent

Machine learning

Very Good

Digital art and animation

Good

#### Languages

Russian

**Excellent** 

English

Excellent

Experienced researcher focused on building and studying learning technologies. Interested in helping to create innovative technologies that engage and empower learners.

### Work History

#### Postdoctoral Associate 2020-06 -Current MIT Media Lab, Cambridge, Massachusetts • Designing and implementing robotic companions to support development of early literacy and creativity in children via open-ended play. • Designing and implementing an interactive storybook to introduce preschoolers to computational thinking and artificial intelligence. 2014-09 -**Research Assistant** 2020-05 MIT Media Lab, Cambridge, United States Designed and implemented innovative digital technologies for playful, child-driven, self-expressive learning Refined them via iterative play-testing • Conducted mixed-methods research studies with the technologies Software Developer 2009-12 -2012-04 Ledas Ltd. / Bricsys Technologies Russia, Novosibirsk, Russia Researched novel approach to modeling in CAD software • Developed CAD software in C++ Participated in designing system architecture Education

2014-09 -	<b>Ph.D.: Media Arts And Sciences</b>
2020-05	MIT Media Lab - Cambridge, MA
2012-08 -	<b>Master of Science: Computer Science</b>
2014-05	Georgia Institute of Technology - Atlanta, GA
2009-09 -	Master of Science: Computer Science
2011-05	Novosibirsk State University - Novosibirsk, Russia
2005-09 -	<b>Bachelor of Science: Computer Science</b>
2009-05	Novosibirsk State University - Novosibirsk, Russia

# **Selected Awards**

Fulbright Visiting Graduate Student Scholarship (2012 - 2014)