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Digital signal processing

Time-frequency signal analysis

Digital watermarking

Hardware for signal processing algorithms

TOPIC OF THE CURRENT RESEARCH

Time-frequency signal analysis: distribution with complex-lag argument

Digital audio and image watermarking

Time-varying filtering

Robust time-frequency distributions

Hardware Implementations of time-frequency distributions

Education

- **B.Sc., 2004**, in Electrical Engineering at the University of Montenegro.
- M.Sc., 2006, in Electrical Engineering at the University of Montenegro.
- **Ph.D., 2010**, in Electrical Engineering at the University of Montenegro.

Professional experience

- 2006 2010, Teaching Assistant, Electrical Engineering Department, University of Montenegro
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 Courses taught: Digital Electronics, Mathematic packages, Electrical measurements,
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- 2009- Public Procurement Officer, Electrical Engineering Department, University of Montenegro.
- Student Member of the IEEE since 2007
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 IEEE Transactions on Image Processing
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GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Short stays (mainly one month stays):

- 2007 Computer Vision Lab, Bonn-Rhein-Sieg University of Applied Sciences, Bonn
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