IEEE GameSIG Intercollegiate Game Showcase 2018 Game Overview: *Live Wire* Date: *April 15th*, *2018*

One-Sentence Description

Live Wire is a fast paced action-arcade game with a tron inspired aesthetic.

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School Level

College/University

Target Platform and Audience

Desktop (Windows/Mac), Mobile (Android/iOS)

Ages 13+

Our game is a fast paced mobile game which we believe would be more popular with younger audiences.

One-Paragraph Summary of Gameplay and Objectives Live Wire is a fast paced action-arcade game with a tron inspired aesthetic. You play as a ball of light, quickly traversing along conductive pipes in a colorful world. Your reaction speed and eye hand coordination will be tested as you attempt to reach destinations by hopping between pipes while encountering interesting perspective switches.

Key Features

Vibrant soundtrack

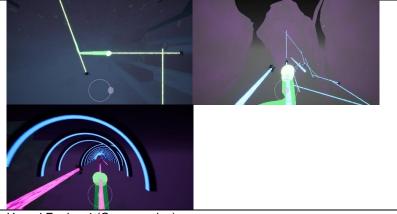
Engaging fast paced gameplay

Colorful neon aesthetic

Mobile support

Responsive mechanics Perspective switches

Thumbnails of Game Art



Software Libraries and Packages Used

Unreal Engine 4 (Game engine) Blender (3D models) FL Studios (Music/sounds)

Third-Party and Ready Made Asset Credits N/A

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YouTube Link	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NgaZkSYvzhg
Misc. Notes	

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List of game assets not entirely made by the team. Includes ready-made rigs, templates, images, models, textures, music, sound effects, and voice acting.

Name or brief description	Source (ideally both URL and creator's name)	If modified by team, explain how.

When you send your submission, please answer the following:

What were the top technical challenges that you encountered in the project? How did the design evolve during development? What changed, and what

didn't?

Movement mechanic code stability was a huge challenge as there were many movement bugs that occurred when transferring pipes and respawning. Bandwidth for art production and smoothening of perspectives transitions were also a challenge.

The game was initially a game jam game with only fixed third person and side scroll modes. One of the core mechanics pipe hopping was initially limited to horizontal hops but transformed into multi-directional hopping. Refactoring code became a necessity to introduce new mechanics into the game that enabled our levels to be more dynamic. A lot of design changes shifted focus towards making the game controls and level design intuitive for players.

The main gameplay modes of side scroll and third person remained but were improved as we refined our ideas. Moving between start location and destination using pipe hopping is the staple of our game, as well as the game's unique aesthetic