

Future Directions for Augmented Reality Mark Billinghurst



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1968 – Sutherland/Sproull's HMD







https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NtwZXGprxag



Star Wars - 1977







Augmented Reality

- Combines Real and Virtual Images
 - Both can be seen at the same time
- Interactive in real-time
 - The virtual content can be interacted with
- Registered in 3D
 - Virtual objects appear fixed in space

Azuma, R. T. (1997). A survey of augmented reality. Presence, 6(4), 355-385.



2008 - CNN



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v7fQ_EsMJMs



Augmented Reality Applications





- Large growing market
 - \$1.2B USD in 2016, \$3B in 2017
- Many available devices
 - HMD, phones, tablets, HUDs
- Robust developer tools
 - Vuforia, ARToolKit, Unity, Wikitude, etc
- Large number of applications
 - > 250K developers, > 100K mobile apps
- Strong research/business communities
 - ISMAR, AWE conferences, AugmentedReality.org, etc.

Augmented Reality in 2018







AR Revenue Projections





Future directions











- Past
 - Bulky Head mounted displays ullet
- Current
 - Handheld, lightweight head mounted
- Future
 - Projected AR
 - Wide FOV see through \bullet
 - Retinal displays \bullet
 - Contact lens \bullet



Wide FOV See-Through (3+ years)

- Waveguide techniques
 - Thin, wider FOV
 - Socially acceptable

- **Pinlight Displays**
 - LCD panel + point light sources
 - 110 degree FOV

Maimone, A., Lanman, D., Rathinavel, K., Keller, K., Luebke, D., & Fuchs, H. (2014). Pinlight displays: wide field of view augmented reality eyeglasses using defocused point light sources. In ACM SIGGRAPH 2014 *Emerging Technologies* (p. 20). ACM.



Lumus DK40





https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P407DFm0PFQ





- Photomecanned into the provide the provident the provide the provident the provide the providet the p
 - Infinite depth of field
 - Bright outdoor performance
 - Overcome visual defects
 - True 3D stereo with depth modulation
- Microvision (1993-)
 - Head mounted monochrome









Contact Lens (10 – 15 + years)

- Contact Lens only
 - Unobtrusive
 - Significant technical challenges
 - Power, data, resolution
 - Babak Parviz (2008)
- Contact Lens + Micro-display
 - Wide FOV •
 - socially acceptable
 - Innovega (innovega-inc.com) ullet

http://spectrum.ieee.org/biomedical/bionics/augmented-reality-in-a-contact-lens/





- Past •
 - Limited interaction •
 - Viewpoint manipulation •
- Present •
 - Screen based, simple gesture •
 - tangible interaction •
- Future •
 - Natural gesture, Multimodal •
 - Intelligent Interfaces •
 - Physiological/Sensor based •









Natural Gesture (2-5 years)

- Freehand gesture input
 - Depth sensors for gesture capture
 - Rich two handed gestures
- E.g. Microsoft Research Hand Tracker
 - 3D hand tracking, 30 fps, single sensor
- Commercial Systems

• Metaar M.S. Heskin, I.E., Robertsch, Husaytor, a. Mattor, J. Leichter, Etc. C. R. I., ... & Izadi, S. (2015, April). Accurate, Robust, and Flexible Real-time Hand Tracking. In Proc. CHI (Vol. 8)







https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LblxKvbfEoo





Multimodal Input (5-10+ years)

- Combine gesture and speech input
 - Gesture good for qualitative input lacksquare
 - Speech good for quantitative input \bullet
 - Support combined commands \bullet
 - "Put that there" + pointing
- E.g. HIT Lab NZ multimodal input
 - 3D hand tracking, speech, multimodal fusion
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HIT Lab NZ Multimodal Input





- Past •
 - Location based, marker based, \bullet
 - magnetic/mechanical \bullet
- Present
 - Image based, hybrid tracking ullet
- Future •
 - Ubiquitous \bullet
 - Model based ullet

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- Environment
 - Use depth sensors to capture scene & track from model
- InifinitAM (www.robots.ox.ac.uk/~victor/infinitam/)

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Environmental Tracking (1-3+

Real time scene capture on mobiles, dense or sparse capture



InfinitAM Demo

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=47zTHHxJjQU





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Wide Area Outdoor Tracking (5 + Vr<u>s</u>

- - Combine panorama's into point cloud model (on the panorama)
 - Initialize camera tracking from point cloud
 - Update pose by aligning camera image to point cloud

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Accurate to 25 cm, 0.5 degree over very wide area Ventura, J., & Hollerer, T. (2012). Wide-area scene mapping for mobile visual tracking. In *Mixed* and Augmented Reality (ISMAR), 2012 IEEE International Symposium on (pp. 3-12). IEEE.



Wide Area Outdoor Tracking



Social Acceptance



- People don't want to look silly
- Acceptance more due to Social than Technical issues

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 Only 12% of 4,600 adults would be willing to wear AR glasses 20% of mobile AR browser users experience social issues



Example: TAT Augmented ID





TAT AugmentedID





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Social Pattern

Like being stopped by the police for ID.

Or security scanned!

"Show me your papers."







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Experience

"Anyone pointing a device in my direction to try to identify me better be prepared for either a **law suit**, or a **punch in the face**." Anonymous Comment



