Visualization and Interaction using Mobile and Immersive Technology

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Overview

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 - Bauhaus University of Weimar
 - Consistent Illumination AR Environments
 - Multi-Viewer Stereo Display
 - Ray-Casting of Parametric Surfaces in Real-Time
- Expose
 - VIMIT
 - Virtual Hiking Assistant
 - Efficient Rendering in Mixed Reality
 - Future Work



Bauhaus University

- Bauhaus University of Weimar
 - Founded 1921
 - 64.000 inhabitants
 - 6.000 students
- Faculties
 - Media
 - Design & Art
 - Architecture
 - Civil Engineering
- Project based Study
- Media System Science
 - Virtual Reality (Interaction)

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- Augmented Reality
- Computer Graphics





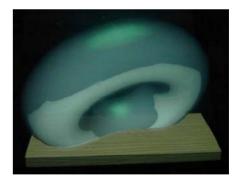
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Consistent Illumination in Augmented Reality

- Combinations of video projectors and cameras
- Shading, shadows and reflections between real and virtual objects



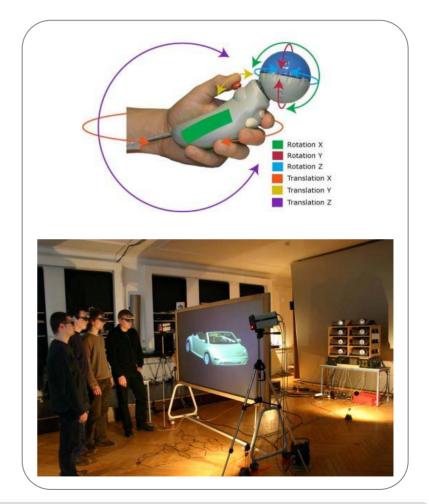


Shadows and reflections



Multi-Viewer Stereo Display

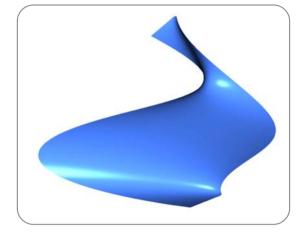
- Collaborative interaction up to 4 people inside one consistent 3D virtual environment
- 8 video projectors
- Special shuttering system
- Interaction Device GlobeMouse
- Demo Application
 - Presentation at VR 2005 in Bonn





Ray-Casting of Parametric Surfaces

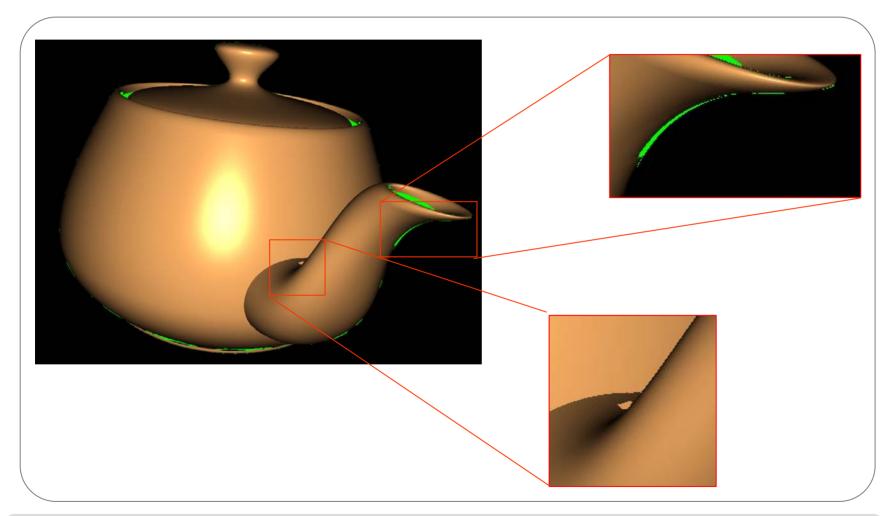
- Ray-Casting of paramtric Surfaces in Real Time
- Parametric surfaces (Bézier- und NURBS-Surfaces)
 - standard in industrial design and CAD
 - compact representation
 - local und intuitive control
- Ray-Casting
 - Pixel precise visualization
 - Parallel computation







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• Visualization and Interaction with Mobile and Immersive Technologies

- Scenarios
 - Firefighter & Paramedics
 - Architecture & Civil Engineering
 - Tourism (Travel assistance)



- Collaboration between people in indoor and outdoor environment
 - Technology Projection Screen $\leftarrow \rightarrow$ Handheld Device
 - Visualization Virtual Reality $\leftarrow \rightarrow$ Augmented Reality
 - Interaction

 $CAT \leftrightarrow Finger$



Technology Interior •

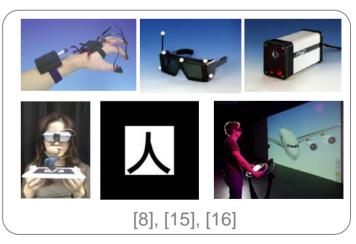
- Hardware _
 - Workstation (Cluster)
 - Notebook ۰
 - High Definition Projection
 - mono/stereo •

- Interaction _
 - Mouse & Keyboard, GyroMouse, •
 - SpaceMouse, CubicMouse, •
 - CAT, Pen or (Multi)-Finger, •
 - Eyes, Brain, etc.

Tracking

- Optical infrared Tracking •
- Magnetic ٠
- Inertial sensor • (gyroscopes & accelerometer)
- Marker Based •
- etc. .





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• Technology Exterior

- Hardware
 - Mobile devices (Handheld, mobile phones, UMPC)
 - Notebook & Tablet PC Small Handheld Display
 - Head Mounted Display
 - Retinal Display

- Interaction
 - Keyboard
 - Pen or Finger
- Tracking
 - GPS
 - Inertial sensor (gyroscopes & accelerometer)
 - Optical Tracking
 - Marker Based Tracking



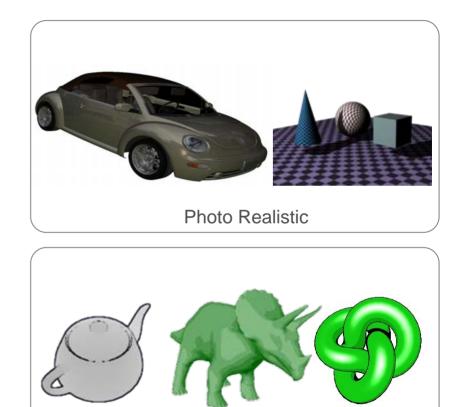
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- Visualization
 - Photo Realistic
 - Shadows
 - Reflections
 - BRDF (Bidirectional Reflectance Distribution Functions)
 - Non Photo Realistic
 - Contour & Silhouette
 - Stylistic & Cartoon-like

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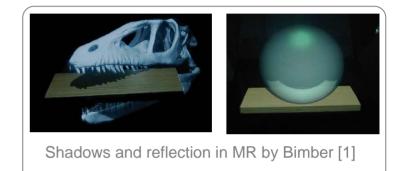


Non-Photo Realistic

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Related Work – Visualization AR

- Photo realistic rendering in MR
 - Shadows and reflection between real and virtual objects
 - Bimber [1] , Madsen [5] and Naemura[6]



- Non-Photo realistic rendering in MR
 - Contour/silhouette rendering
 - Stylized or cartoon-like shading
 - Haller [4], Fischer and Bartz [3]

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Cartoon like MR by Fischer and Bartz [3]

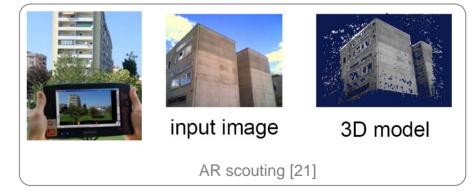
Related Work – Outdoor AR

- Augmented Reality with Large 3D Models on a PDA [23]
 - client/server
 - Marker based tracking
- Vidente [24]
 - graphically plastic visualization of the subsurface network of cables and pipes
- AR Scouting [21]
 - Augmented Reality Scouting for Interactive 3D Reconstruction



AR with large Models [23]

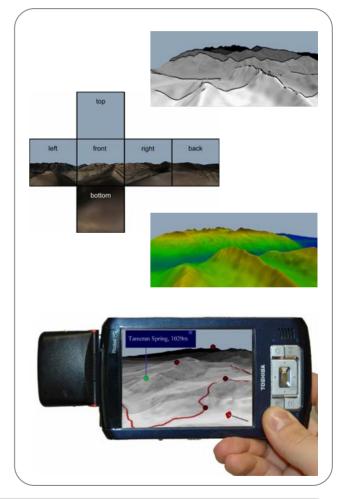




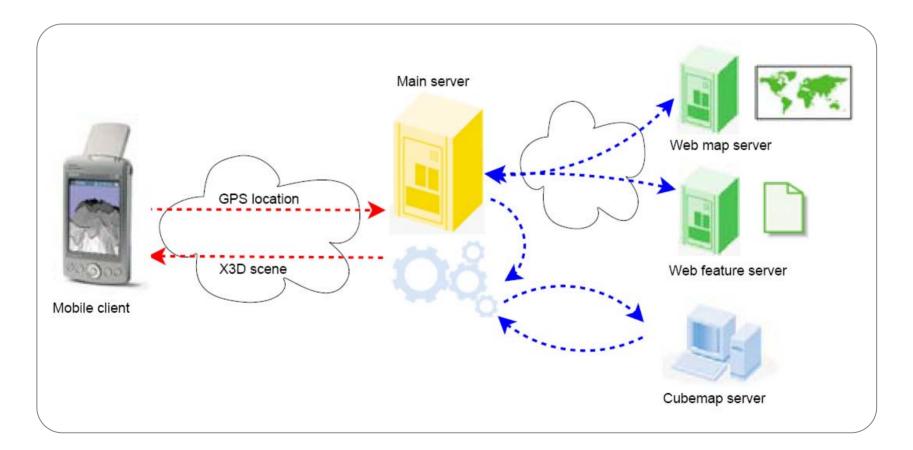


Virtual Hiking Assistant

- 3D Panorama Service on Mobile Device for Hiking [25]
- digital assistant for mobile users like hikers and tourists
- interactive 3D panorama service
- geographical web services and nonphotorealistic rendering of 3D terrains



Virtual Hiking Assistant

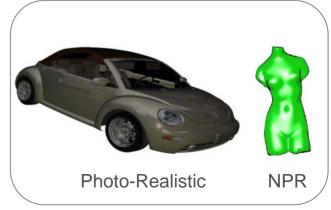




Enhancing Mixed Reality on Mobile Devices

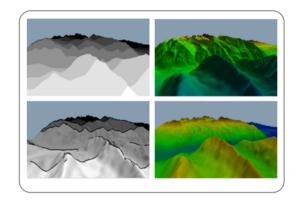
- Mobile devices are well suited for Mixed Reality applications
- Challenge is to obtain **one** consistent representation
- Identify rendering techniques that support the cognitive mapping
- Enhancing the Mapping between Real and Virtual World on Mobile Devices through efficient Rendering [26]





Functional Realism

- Described by Ferwerda [3] in 2003
- preserves significant properties
 - Shapes
 - Sizes
 - Positions
- Realized using NPR rendering techniques
- Example Hiking-Assistant



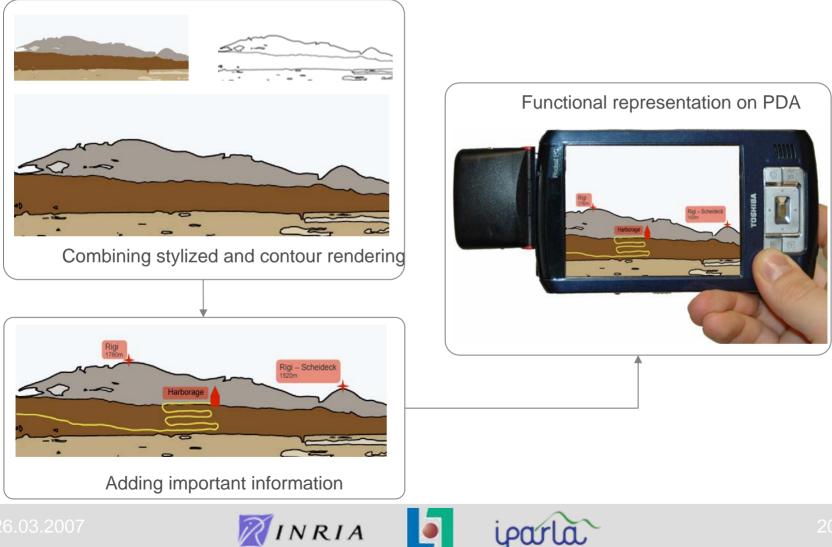


Challenge and Questions

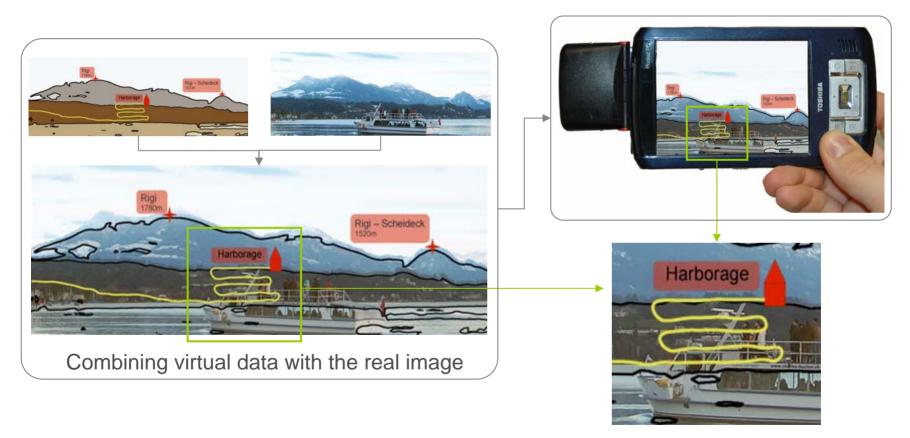
- Create **one** consistent and convincing world
- Still technical problems with Mobile Devices
 - GPS error up to 5m makes tracking difficult
 - No knowledge of the environment
 - Latency in data transfer (remote rendering)
 - Small screen
- \rightarrow Necessary to superimpose real and virtual image?
- → How far can the rendering technique support the user to map the real and virtual objects by himself?



Visualization on PDA



Visualization on PDA



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Disturbing occlusions

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Conclusion

- Generate *functional* representations
- Identify suitable rendering techniques (NPR)
- Evaluate the techniques in an experimental setup
 - way finding task
 - task completion time
 - Sketch maps to measure goodness of cognitive mapping (Billinghurst [7])



Future Work

- Rendering techniques on PDA
- outdoor augmented reality is young field of research
- Challenges
 - Tracking
 - Interaction
 - Visualization
 - Collaboration between users



Merci!



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