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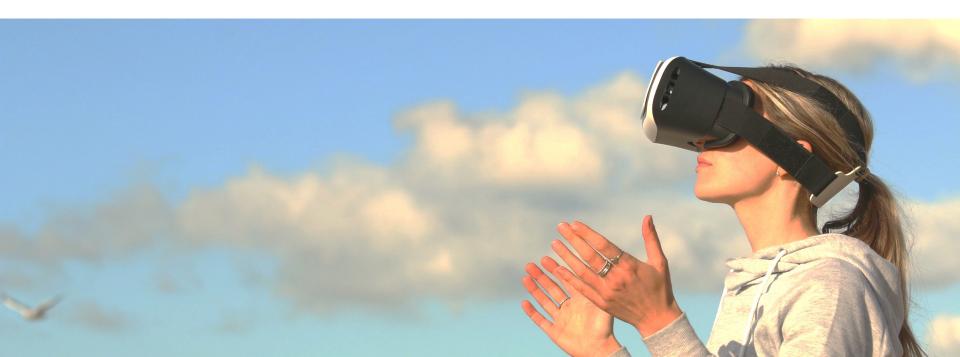


What are the Benefits, Challenges, and Potentials?

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What is it?

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- Reality-virtuality-continuum (Milgram et al, 1994)

Real Virtual
Environment Mixed Reality Environment

Augmented Reality Virtual Reality

Applications



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Training



Boetje & Ginkel, 2020

Applications



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- Training
- Therapy



Miloff et al., (2016)

Applications



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- Training
- Therapy
- Education



Ancient Jerusalem in VR

Applications



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- Training
- Therapy
- Education
- Visualizations





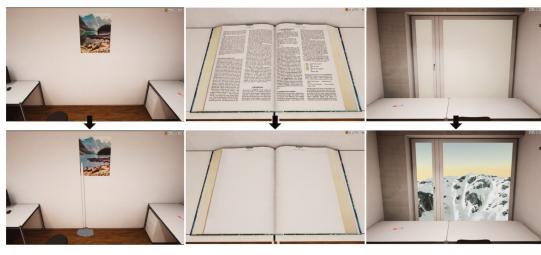
Thoma et al., (2021)

Applications



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- Training
- Therapy
- Education
- Visualizations



Denzer et al., 2022

Display of alternative realities

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Benefits

- Presentation of visual stimuli
- Standardization of social interactions (e.g., using avatars)
- Display of fictive scenarios
- New measurements (e.g., position tracking)
- Combination with existing measurements (e.g., Eye-Tracking, EEG)
- Presentation of real-life scenarios (e.g., recorded with a 360° camera)
 - Virtual Reality simulates reality (Slater & Sanchez-Vives, 2016)

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- Field of view
- Screen resolution
- Refresh rate
- Field of movement

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- Requires additional skills
 - 3D-modelling of virtual worlds















- Additional hardware (Head-mounted display, tracking devices, PC)
- Space for whole body movements

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Potentials



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- Increasing locomotion (e.g., omnidirectional treadmills)
- Haptic feedback (e.g., using haptic gloves)
- Social interactions (e.g., metaverse)
- Display improvements (e.g., higher resolution, larger field of view)
- Eye tracking
- Face expression recognition
- Augmented reality





Thank you

For your Attention

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