



Immersive Displays for Virtual 3D Models

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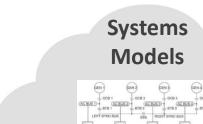
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It Starts With Virtual Models





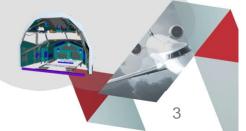
Analytical Models







Mechanical Model

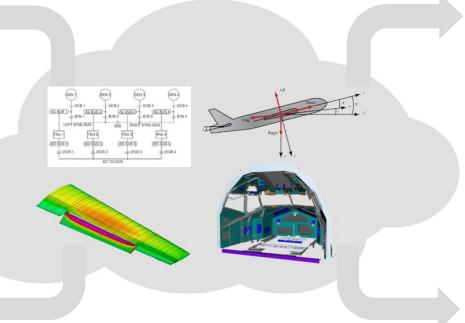


Models Support Multiple Interests









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Visualizing the virtual model



- Visualizing a virtual model is the first step in making it real
- Many ways of visualizing the model depending on the application
- Each with its own advantages and disadvantages

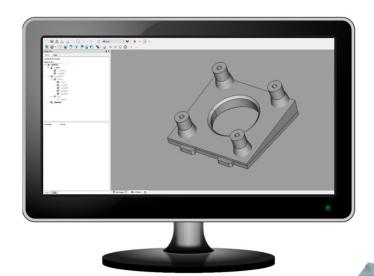




Basic Monitor

- Models start from CAD or 3D modelling applications
- Applications optimized for design
 - Enter model
 - Modify model
- 3D parts displayed on a (2D) monitor
- Familiar interface that works well for this application







Immersive Displays

- Immersive displays bring the models and the viewer together in a virtual world
- Provides the designer with new perspectives...
 - of how parts will work together
 - of how the end user will see the final product
- Visualize complex models
- Visualize aesthetic elements
- Visualize models in a range of environments







Some choices



- Immersive displays can support
 - Full or partial immersion
 - Restricted or unlimited fields of view
 - Exclude the physical world or add to it
 - One or multiple viewers

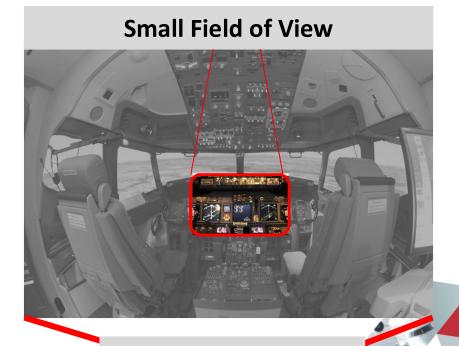




Display Parameters

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- Range of performance parameters
 - Fields of view how much can be seen at a time
 - Fields of regard how much can be seen once head movement is taken into account
 - Resolution
 - Color, brightness





Large Field of Regard

3D Display Technology

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- Models are generally created in 3D, but often displayed in 2D
- Presenting a 3D view of a model adds greatly to the sense of realism.
- Requires different images to the two eyes





3D Display Technology



- Shutter glasses
 - User(s) wear glasses that select one of two images presented sequentially
 - Principle can be applied to a range of monitors and projectors



HP Zvr 23.6-inch
Virtual Reality Display

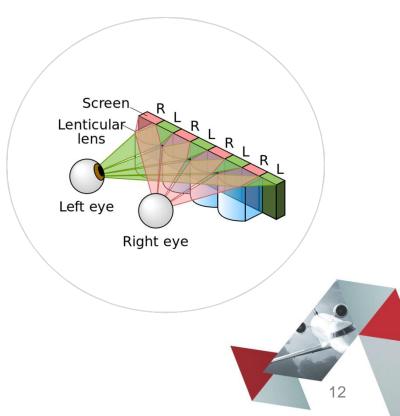


3D Display Technology

- Autostereoscopic Display
 - Small lenses on each pixel of a display direct light to either left or right eye
 - No need for glasses
 - Limited fields of view and resolution
 - Requires special monitors







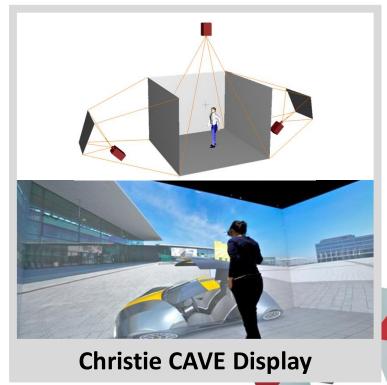
CAVE



- CAVE displays use multiple screens and projectors to surround the viewer with 2D or 3D images
- Space for multiple viewers

CAVE="CAVE Automatic Virtual Environment"





Head Mounted Displays



- Increasing field of regard with monitors and projectors requires an array of display devices
- Alternative is a head mounted display (HMD)
- Virtual Reality (VR) HMD
 - Everything in view is virtual design prevents user seeing the physical world
- Augmented Reality (AR) HMD
 - Virtual objects are seen through semi-transparent optics
 - Alternative is to use video cameras to provide view of physical world
 - Provides simultaneous view of virtual and physical objects





Microsoft HoloLens AR Display



- Microsoft HoloLens is recent AR display
- Fully self contained computer, sensors and display
- Optimized to display and interact with virtual 3D objects in the physical world





Summary



- Monitors have been the standard device for displaying 3D models
- Developments in VR technologies provide alternatives with additional capabilities
 - Full immersion
 - Reduced size and cost compared to projector based solutions
- AR adds ability to visualize virtual models within the physical world
- Both VR and AR technologies are in their early days and capabilities will improve in the coming years







THANK YOU!



