



Cartography M.Sc.

Map-based Storytelling in Spatial Augmented Reality: Projection of Interactive Layers

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Outline



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Propose and evaluate a method of **Map-Based Storytelling in Mixed Reality**.

Bring interactivity to a static printed map and make the map reading, understanding and exploration in a historic map exhibition more enjoyable than in a traditional, static exhibition.

Hypothesis:

proposed **Map-Based Storytelling in Mixed Reality method** **could enhance user experience:** the way of the story exploration will become more entertaining and flexible, and as one of the results, the quality of acquired knowledge will be better than with traditional solutions.

Research Objectives

- I. Make an overview of **current MR technologies** for CH. Identify the most common **limitations of classical exhibitions** and ways to avoid them.
- II. Chose the **technologies** that can be used for the **projection of interactive layers** on the map.
- III. Find the ways of user **interactions** with maps in AR-space. Figure out what kinds of **connected media and information** could be integrated into the exhibition.
- IV. **Evaluate** the proposed method concerning its **impact on the user experience**.

Research Questions

- I. Which **MR methods are used in CH applications**, especially in exhibitions, how do they guide user through story? What are the **limitations of traditional exhibition methods** while storytelling using maps and how to overcome them?
- II. How can the **projection of interactive layers** on printed historical maps in a **Spatial AR** environment be realised?
- III. How can users **interact with a paper map** in the Spatial AR environment?
What kinds **of connected media and information** can be added? Furthermore, how can it be realised for **different types of media** (e.g., are there differences)?
- IV. Can the **new method make storytelling using maps more enjoyable/entertaining**, and **enhance the user experience** and quality and quantity of the acquired knowledge?

State of the art

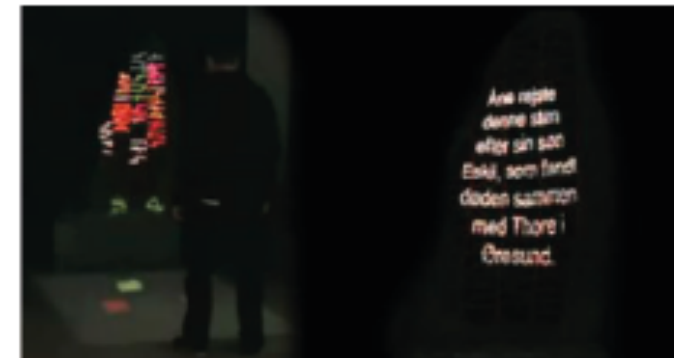
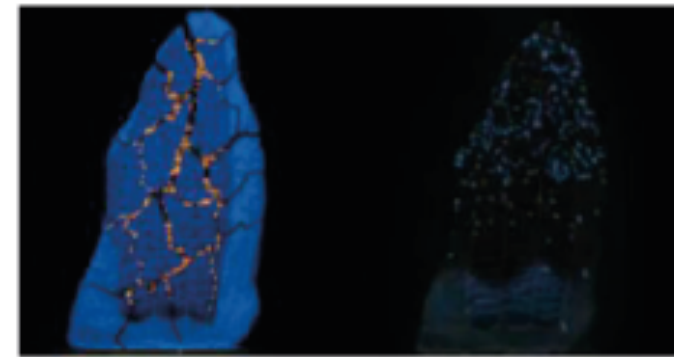
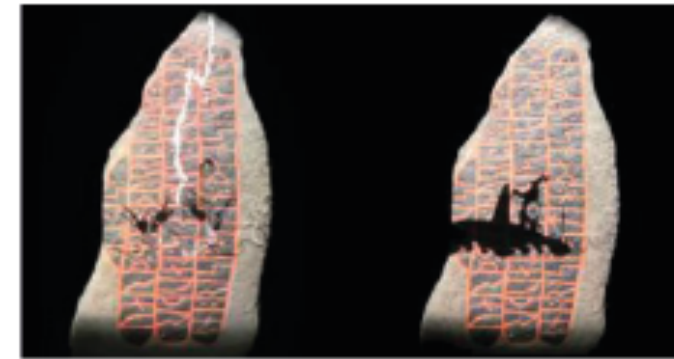
- Storytelling in museums
- Storytelling in and with maps
- Mixed Reality for Cultural Heritage
- Mixed Reality and maps



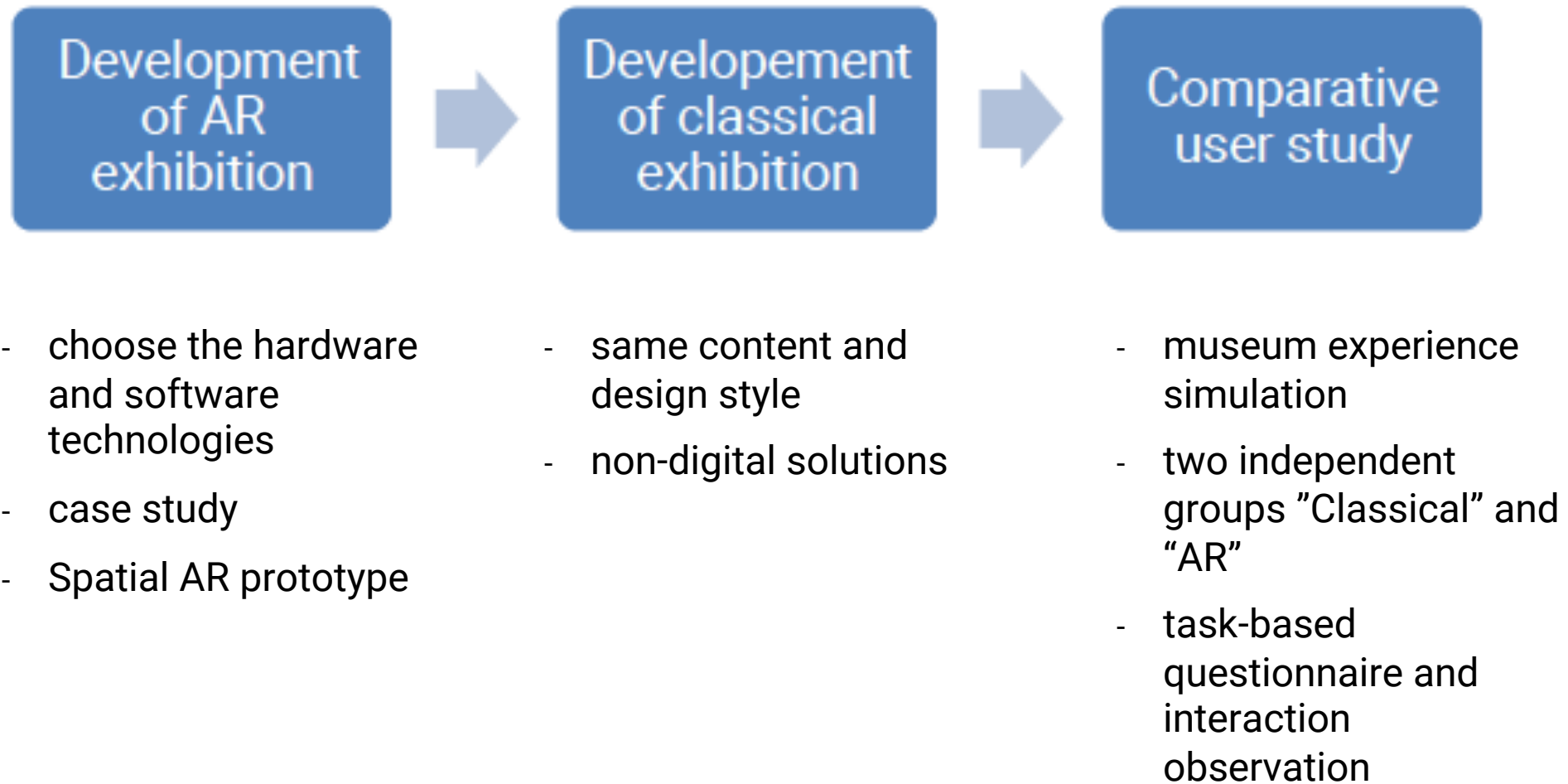
An augmented map, showing the flooded River Cam. (Reitmayr et al., 2005)



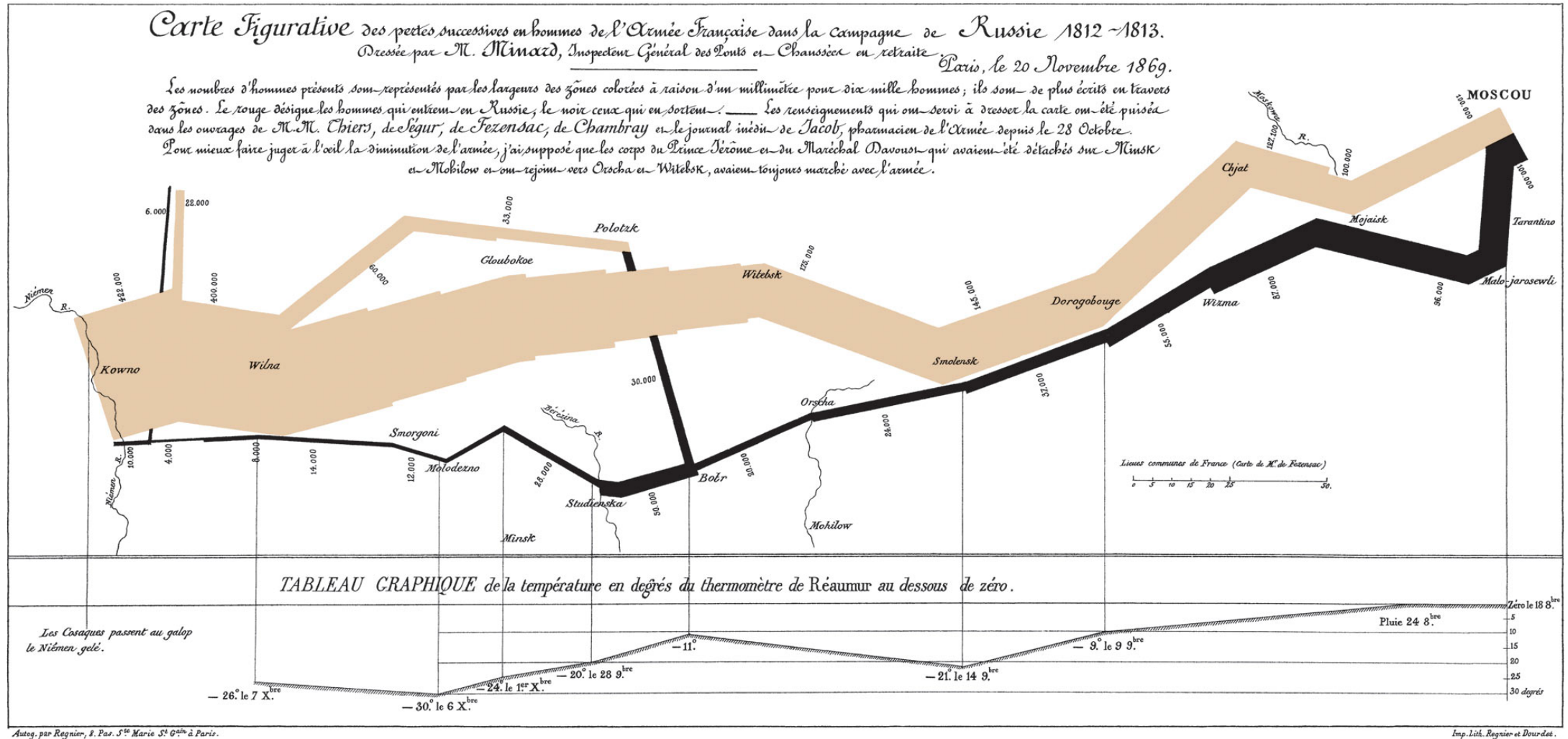
Musqueam Belongings (Courtesy Reese Muntean)



The Mejlby stone exhibition (Basballe & Halskov, 2010).).

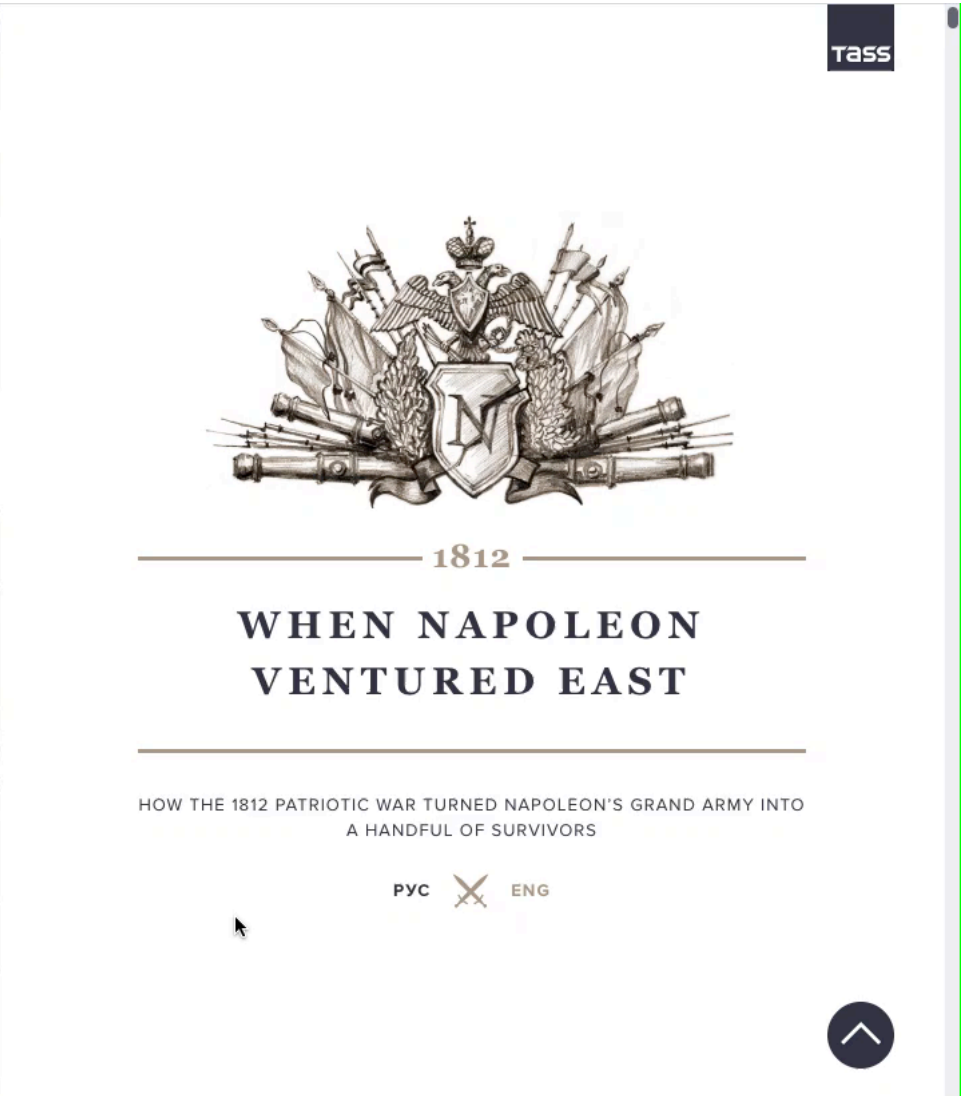


Case study



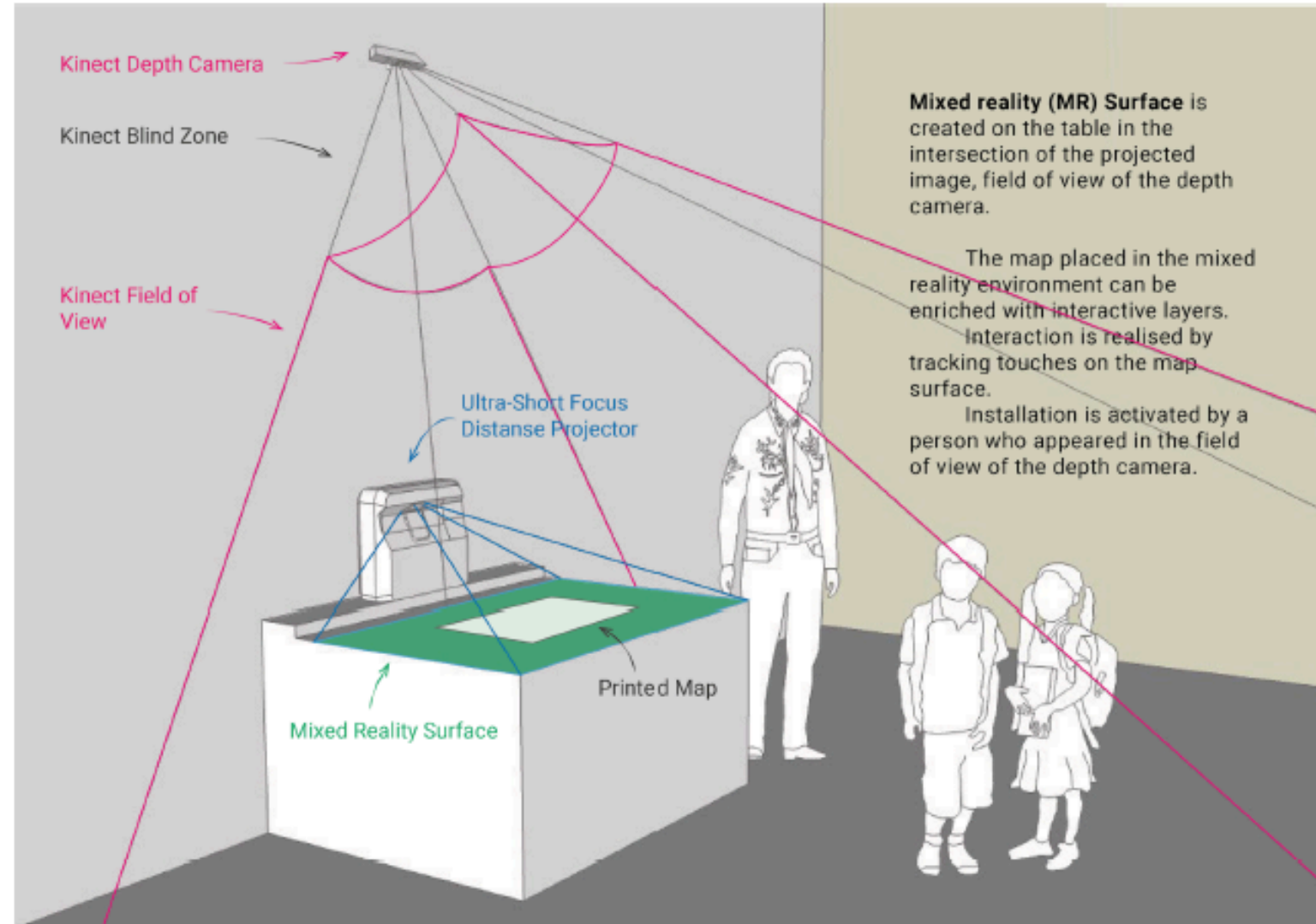
Case study

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AR exhibition

Concept



AR exhibition

Realization

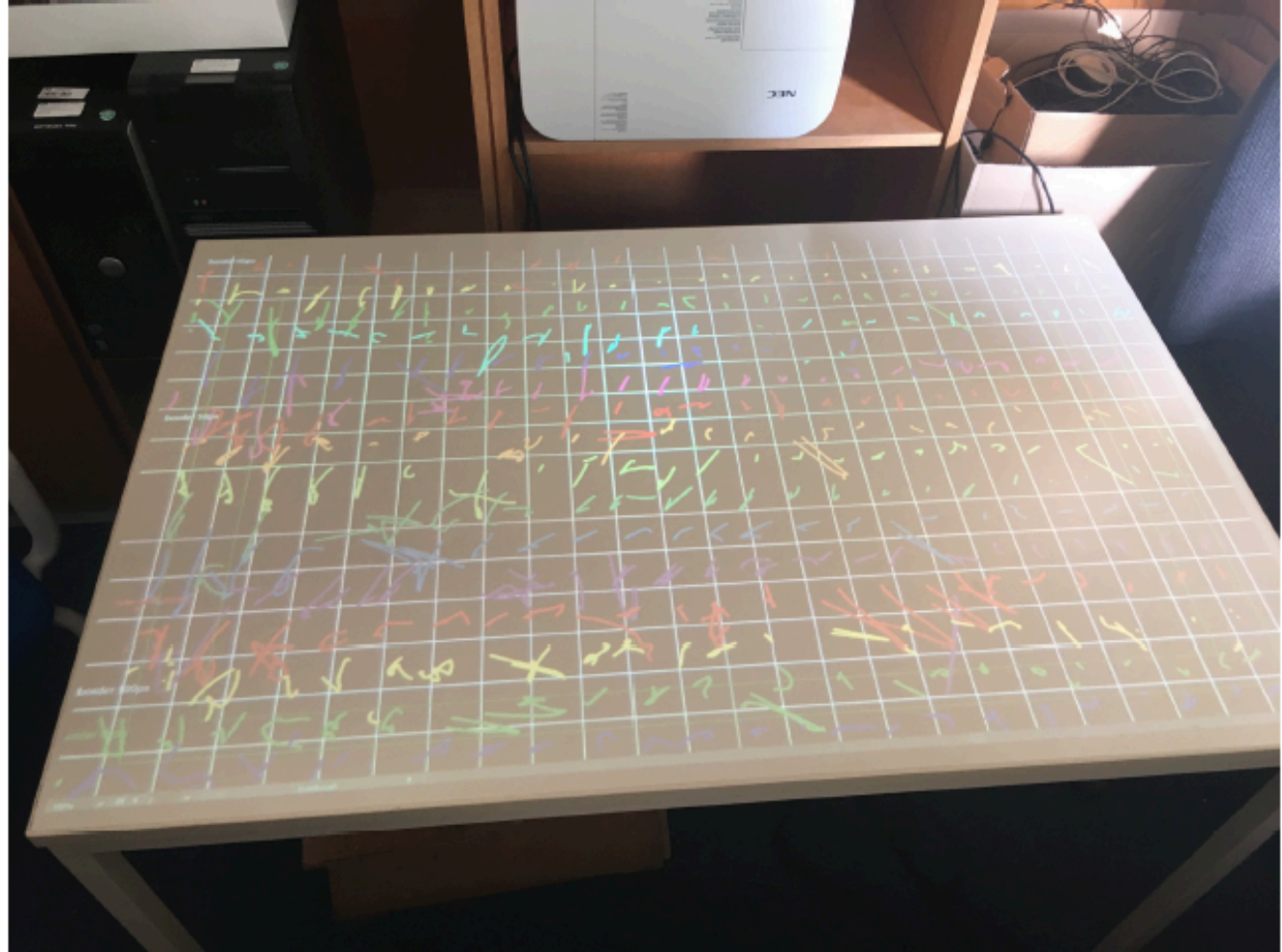
- NEC NP-U310W projector
- Kinect for Windows v1
- White Table 80*115*70(H) cm



AR exhibition

Calibration

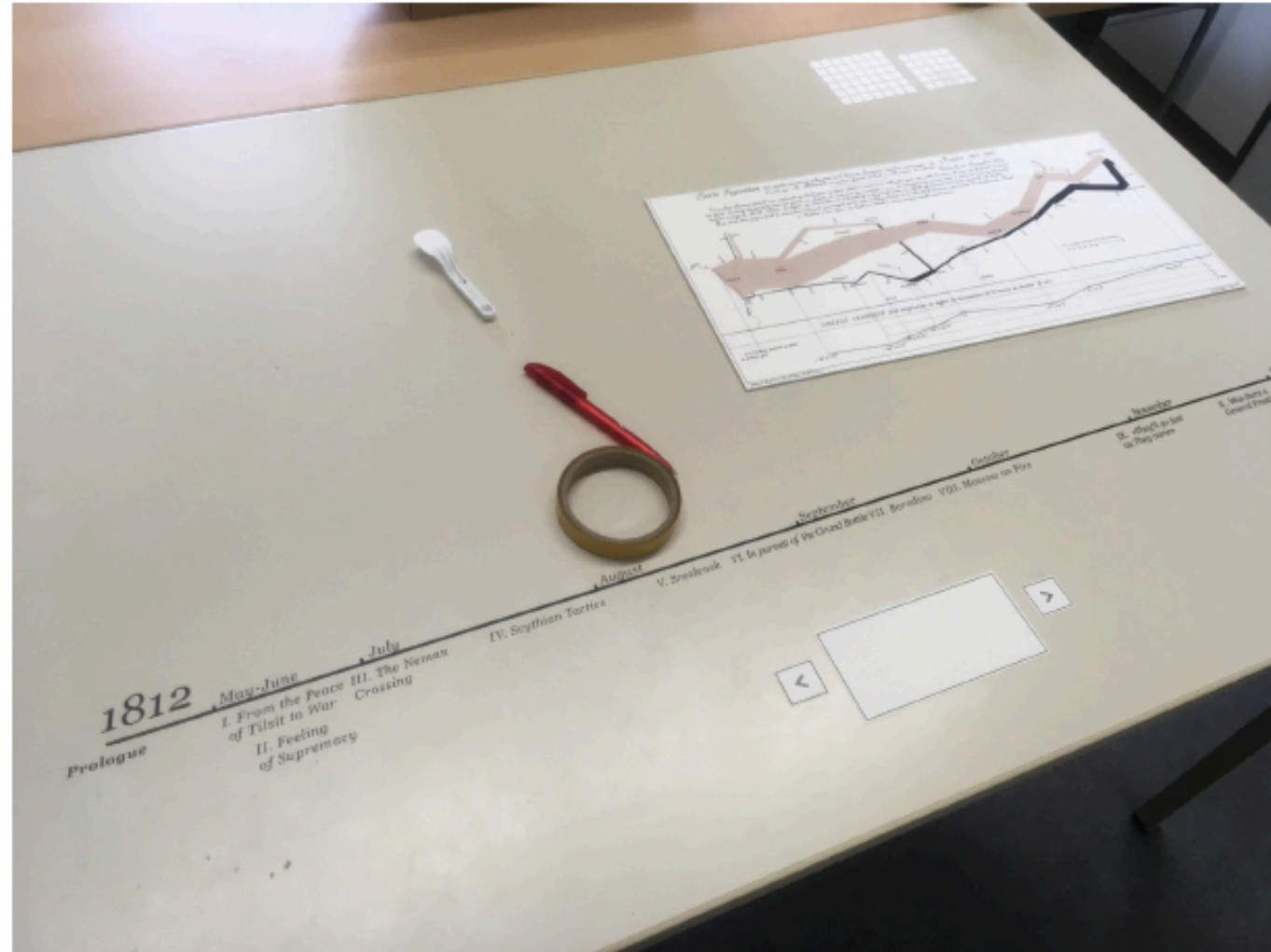
- Touchless touch
- Preciseness $\pm 5\text{cm}$



AR exhibition

Application interface

- Timeline with chapters
- Back/forward buttons
- Current date indicator
- Troops indicator



Storytelling/exhibition application structure.



Content/data:

- Raster/vector geo data
- Day by day table
- TASS articles
- Illustrations

Software:

- Unity: 2D arcade game
- Adobe Illustrator: design

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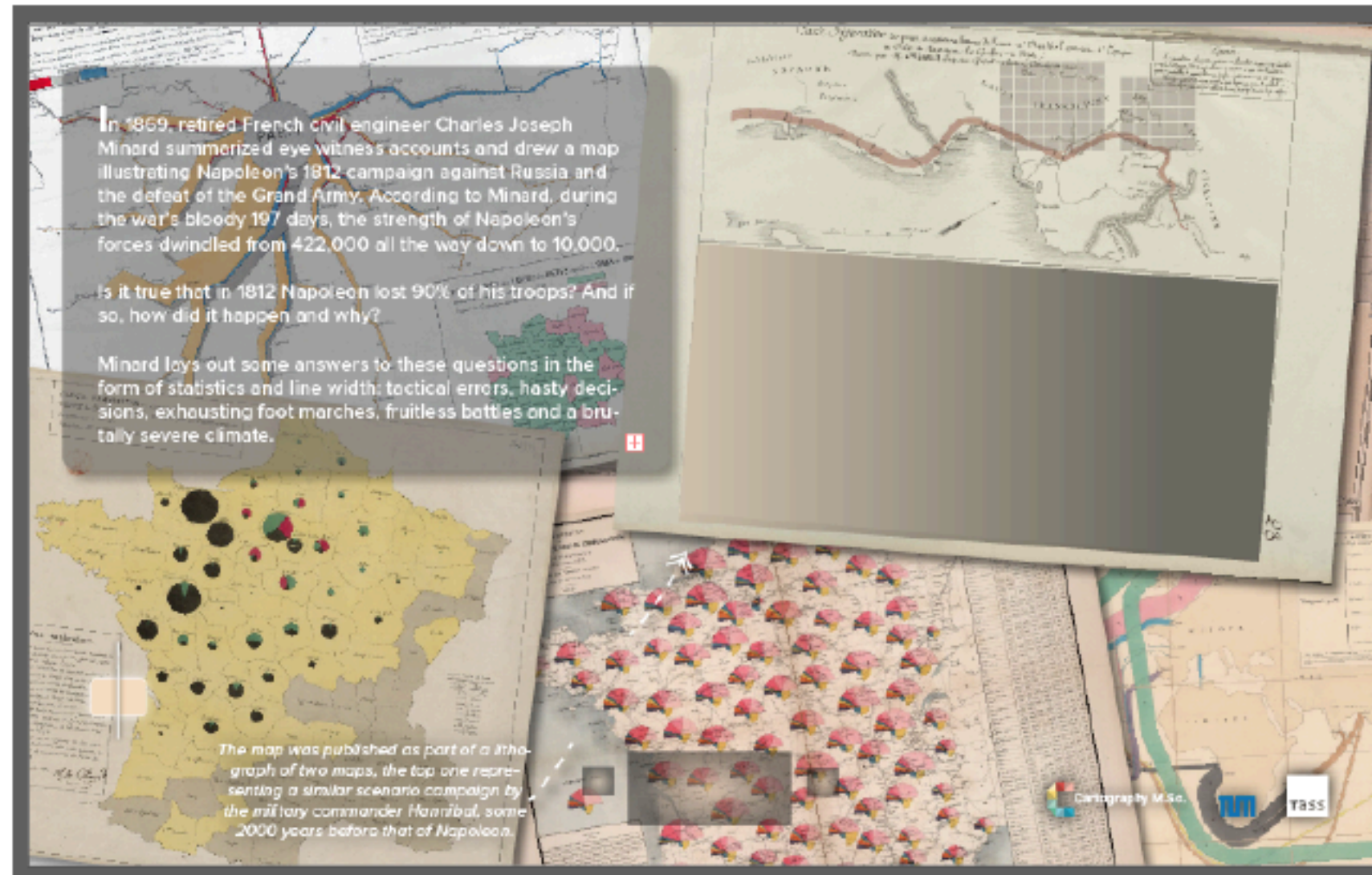
Types of content
and it's representation
- Background images



AR exhibition

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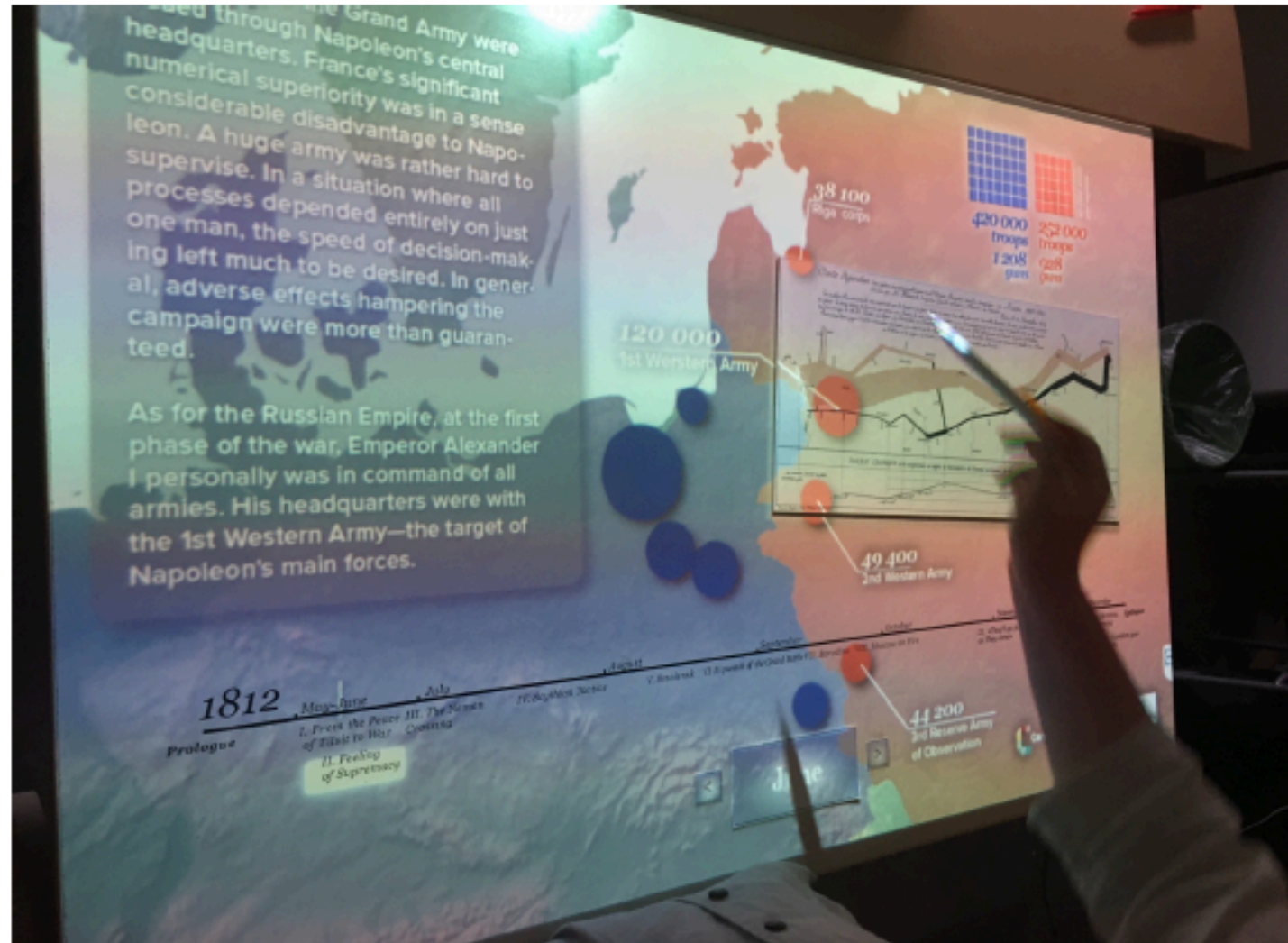
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AR exhibition

Types of content
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- Map overview
- Chapters highlight



AR exhibition

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- Background images
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- Dates
- Maps in the text

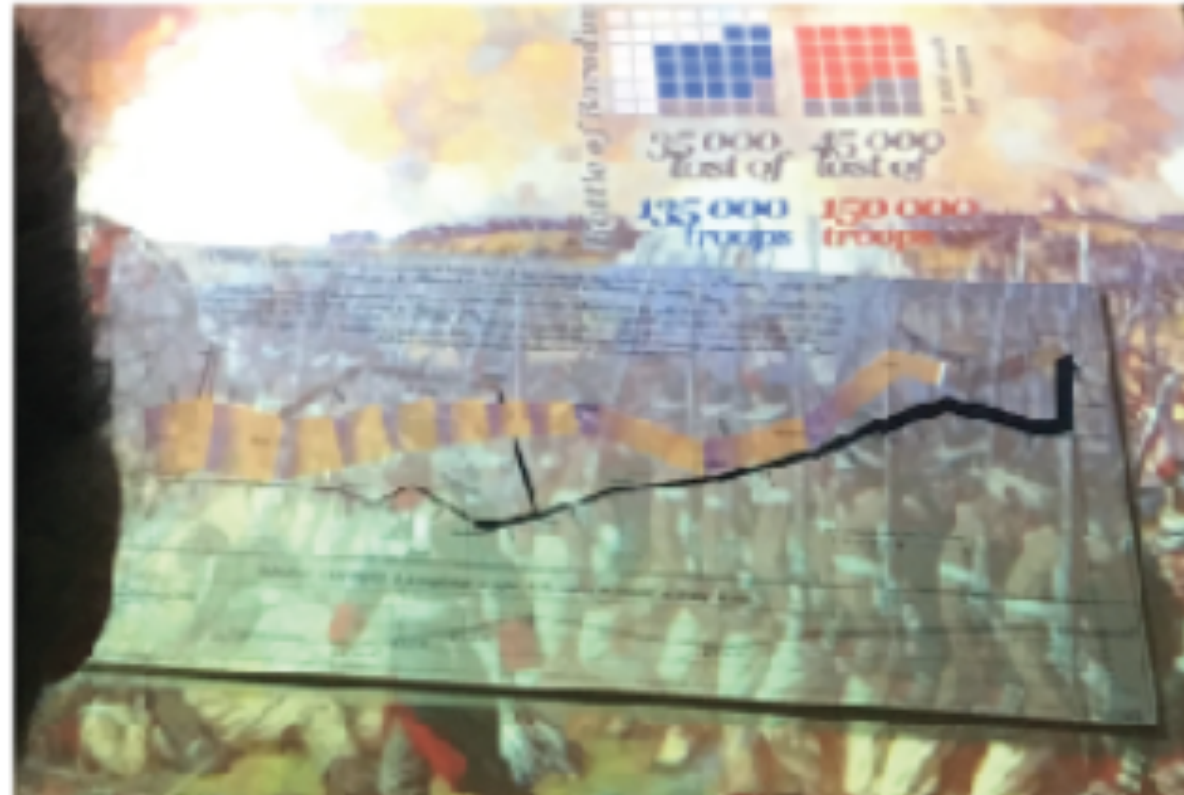


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Types of content

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- Maps in the text
- Map overlay

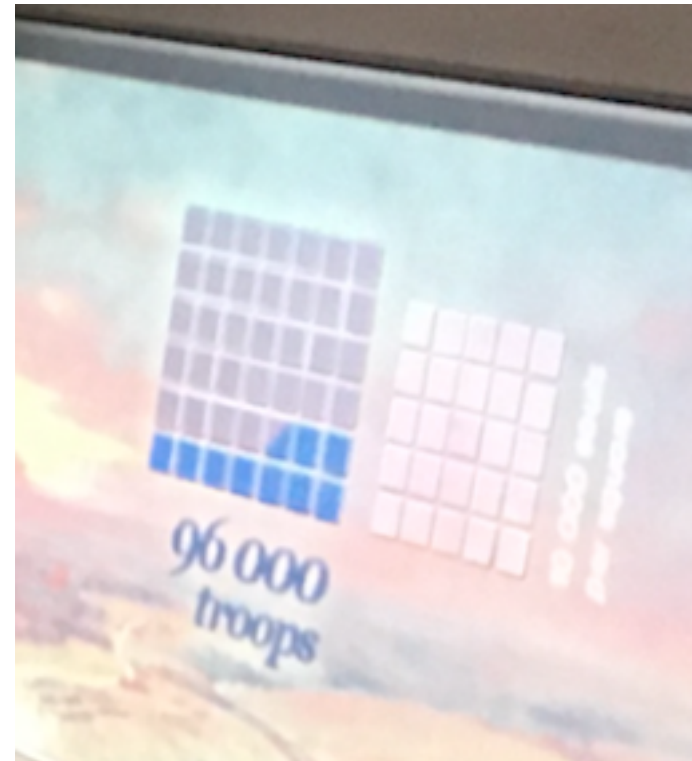


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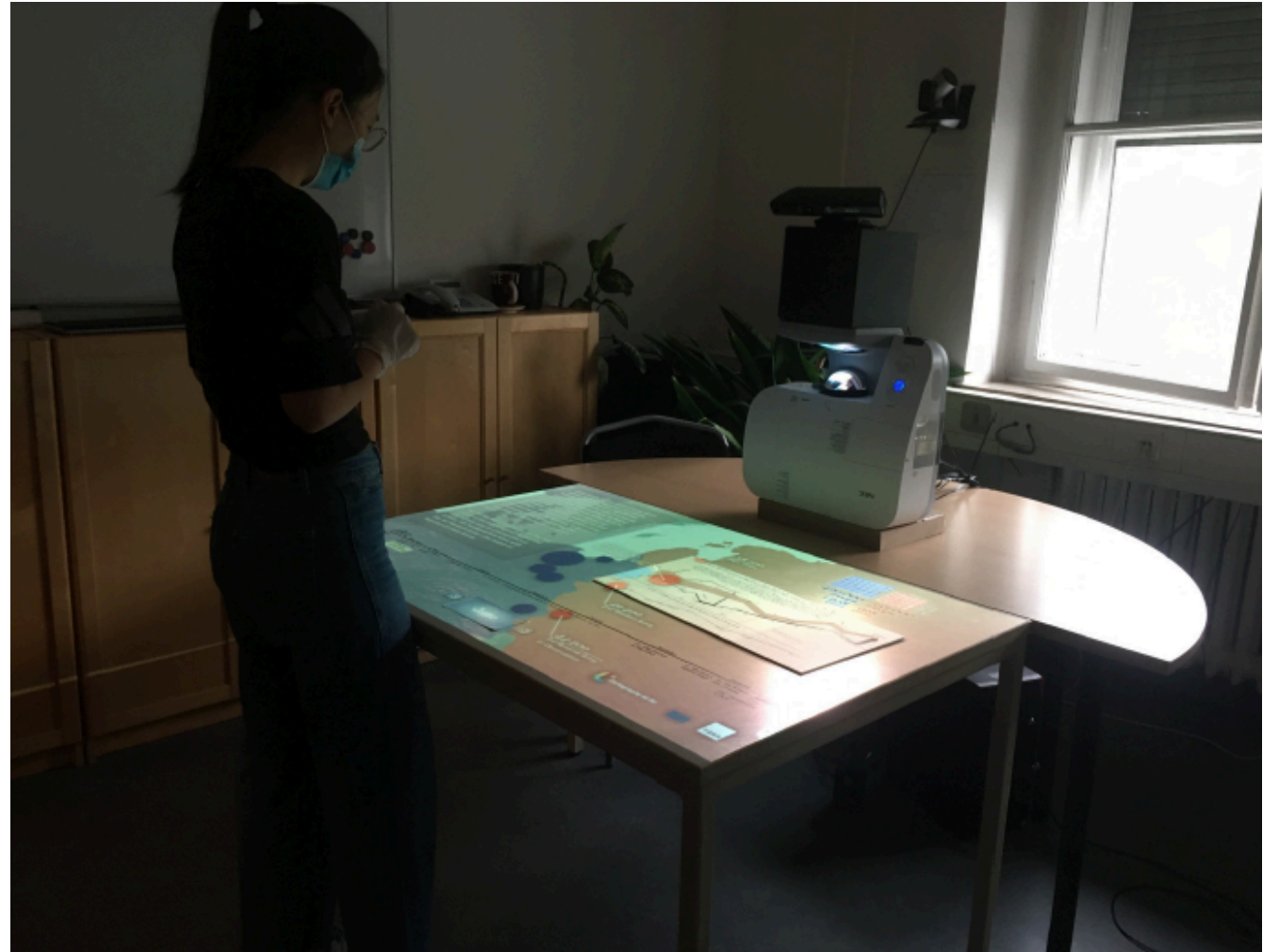
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- Map overview
- Chapters highlight
- Dates
- Maps in the text
- Map overlay
- Troops/battle indicator
- Sound



AR exhibition

Final setup of the AR exhibition prototype



Classical exhibition

- Booklet
- Overview map
- Plastic Minard map overlay
- Pop-up showing armies amount
- Table of contents



Classical exhibition

1. Cutter plotter
2. Paper
3. Foil
4. Glue



Evaluation

25 participants (13 AR + 12 Classical),
Gender :13/12

Medium age: 21-29
Familiarity with a map



Evaluation

Experiment scenario



Evaluation form

When Napoleon ventured East AR exhibition. User test questionnaire.

I. General info

A. Name: _____

B. Gender:

- ☐ Female
- ☐ Male
- ☐ prefer do not comment

C. Age:

- ☐ 17 or younger
- ☐ 18-20
- ☐ 21-29
- ☐ 30-39
- ☐ 40-49
- ☐ 50-59
- ☐ 60 or older

D. Country of origin : _____

E. Are you familiar with the map of Napoleon's Russian campaign by Charles Minard?

- ☐ never heard about it
- ☐ never seen it
- ☐ quite familiar – have seen it on the lectures/in the media
- ☐ very familiar – I've explored it a lot/ was using in the projects
- ☐ I'm fan - I have poster with it on my wall

II. Please give answers, which you can find in the exhibition materials, to following questions about Napoleon's campaign to Russia

A. What was the amount of troops of French army at:

- 1. June 1812 _____
- 2. 16 November 1812 _____
- 3. 16 December 1812 _____

B. Biggest French army division at June 1812 amount and name

C. Biggest Russian army division at June 1812 amount and name

D. What was the temperature on 1 of December 1812

E. Who is Charles Minard?

F. Where was Napoleon's army located, when the number of troops was 55 000?

G. When and where was the biggest battle of the campaign?

H. When Napoleon's army was indicated on the map with smallest amount?

I. In which month did Napoleon leave for Paris?

J. Who was Fyodor Glinka?

K. When Napoleon arrived at Moscow?

III. User experience feedback

Please fill this block after you have explored the exhibition and after you have answered the questions from block II

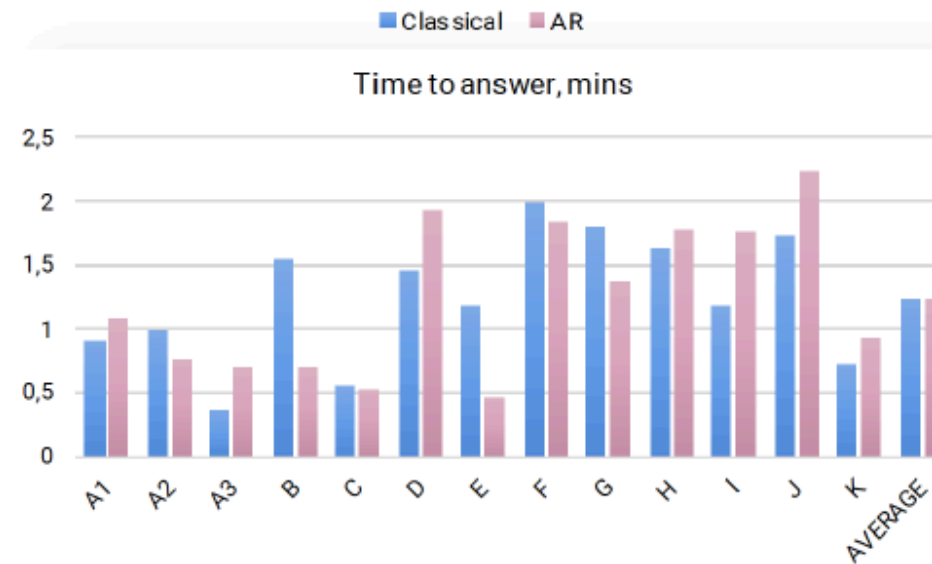
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I didn't like the exhibition						I've liked the exhibition
It was hard to understand how the interface works and it's logic behind						I've easily got the interface and it's logic behind
I think exhibitions like this can't be usefull in real museums						I think exhibitions like this can be usefull in real museums

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It was hard to understand how to work with this element						It was easy to understand how to work with this element
I think this element can't be useful in real museums						I think this element can be useful in real museums

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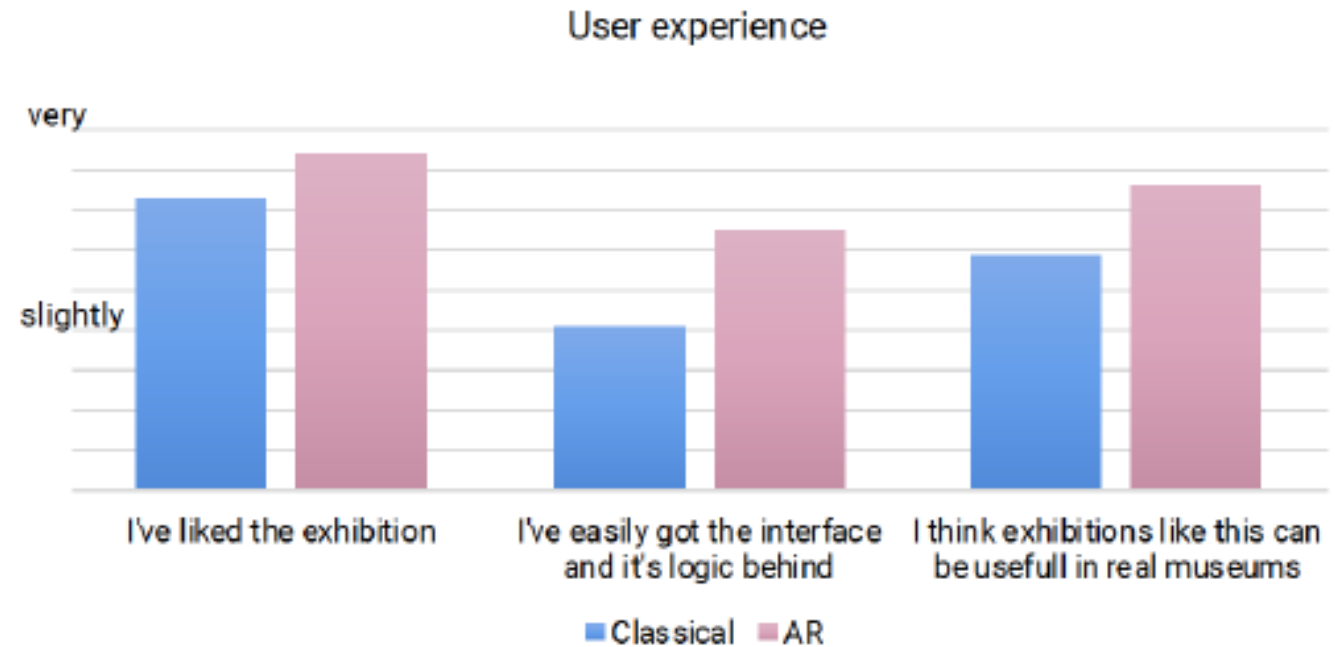
Results

Tasks block evaluation analysis



Results

User experience evaluation analysis





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Research Questions



For the proposed method integration of maps in exhibition with the MR method, Spatial AR was chosen as most suitable and entertaining option.



The projection of interactive layers can be realized with the creation of Spatial AR in the intersection of the field of view of a depth camera and projector on the table surface with a paper map on it.



The users can interact with a touchable flexible interface in Spatial AR. Text, audio, video, overview maps, paper maps with interactive overlays, as well as animations, and other content could be added to a paper map in an exhibition.



The method of Map-Based Storytelling in Mixed Reality, as it shows the comparative user experience evaluation, makes storytelling using paper maps more entertaining and is enhancing the potential museums Visitors experience.

Outlook

- enhanced prototypes
- enhanced experiment: map extent, scale and topic, user groups
- future studies: technologies to compare, content to implement

Thank you Questions?



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