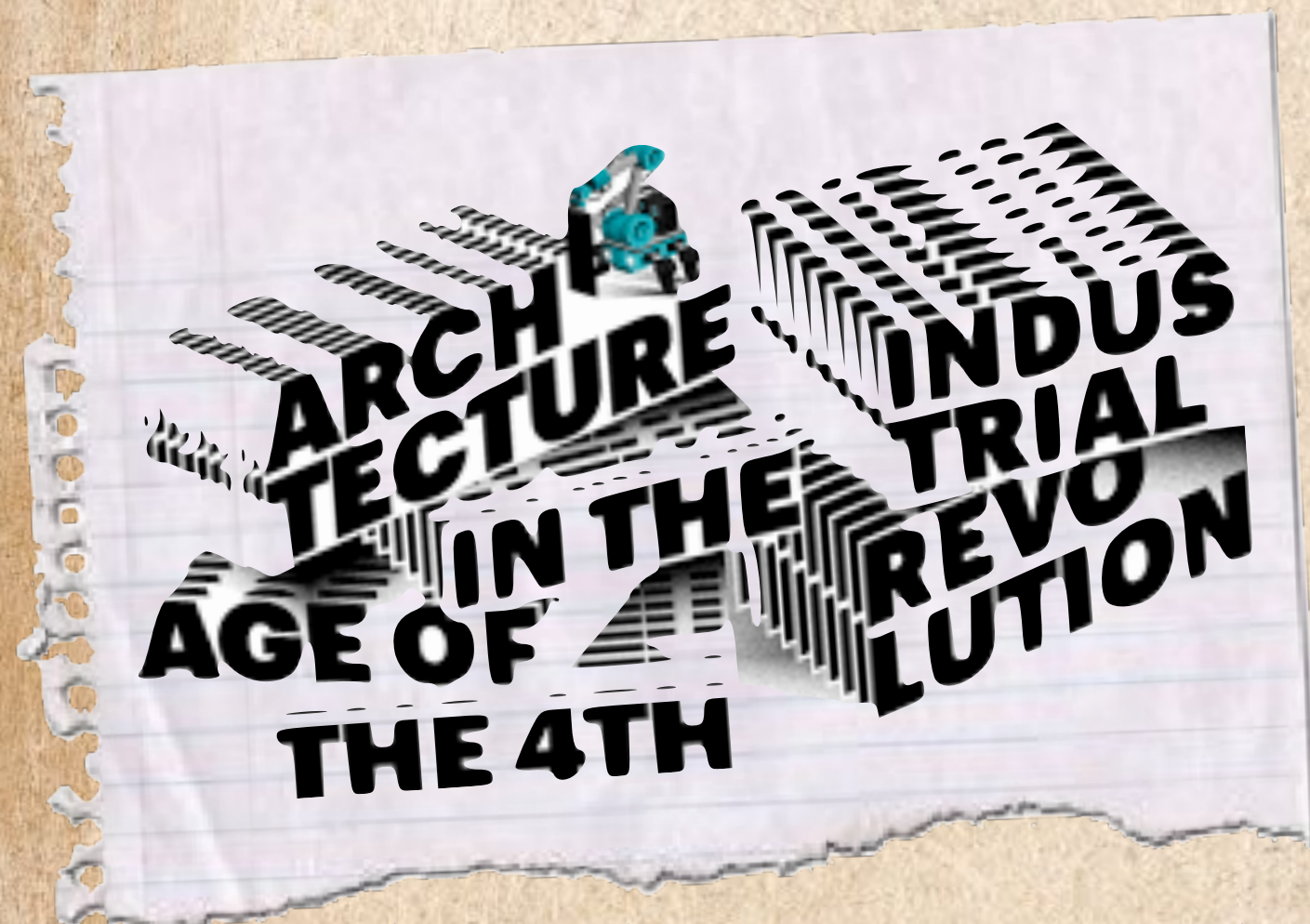


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VAM-Technologies and Terminology

● Virtual Reality

As early as the development of perspective drawings, or the invention of photography.

● Augmented Reality

Thomas Caudell and David Mizell coined the phrase in 1992 at Boeing.

● Mixed Reality

Similar of age, early 90'ies
also: Intereality, Hybrids

Different concepts

- Virtual realities handle only virtual models
- The technique of augmentation is to augment a layer from reality with a virtual created layer
- Mixed Realities may combine several layers and feedback from both the reality and the virtual modes

Perception of those realities

The real world

$$P = R$$

P is always 1;
or 100%

Virtual Reality

$$P = V$$

Augmented Reality

$$P = R + V$$

Mixed Reality

$$P = n * (R + V)$$

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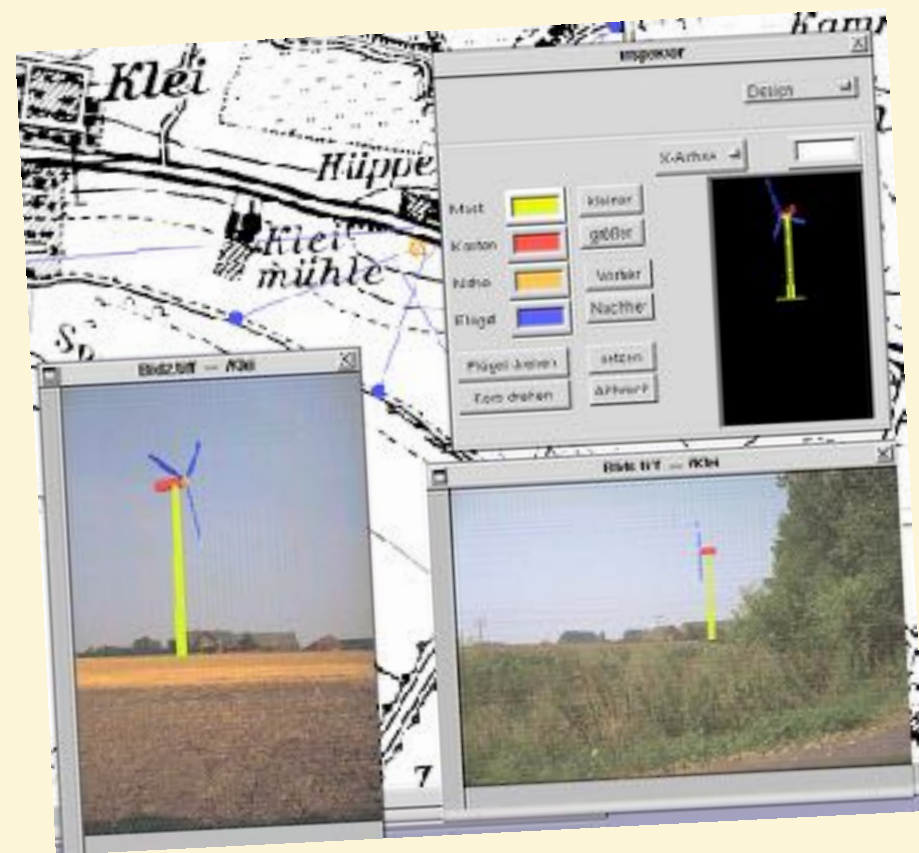
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Technique

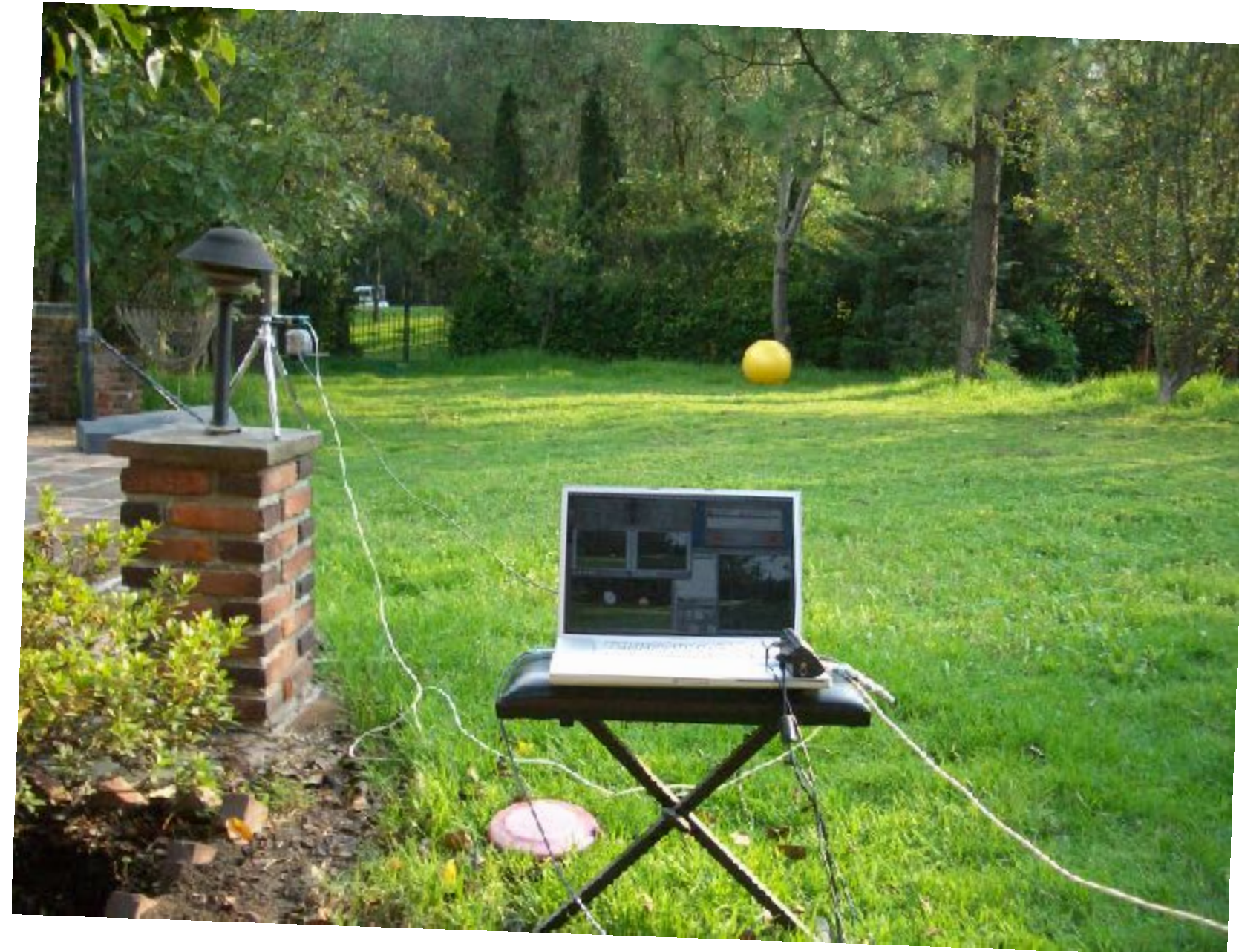
In essence, all technologies are compositions.

From them, "AR" is the most widely accepted and understood technical term.

Historical AR

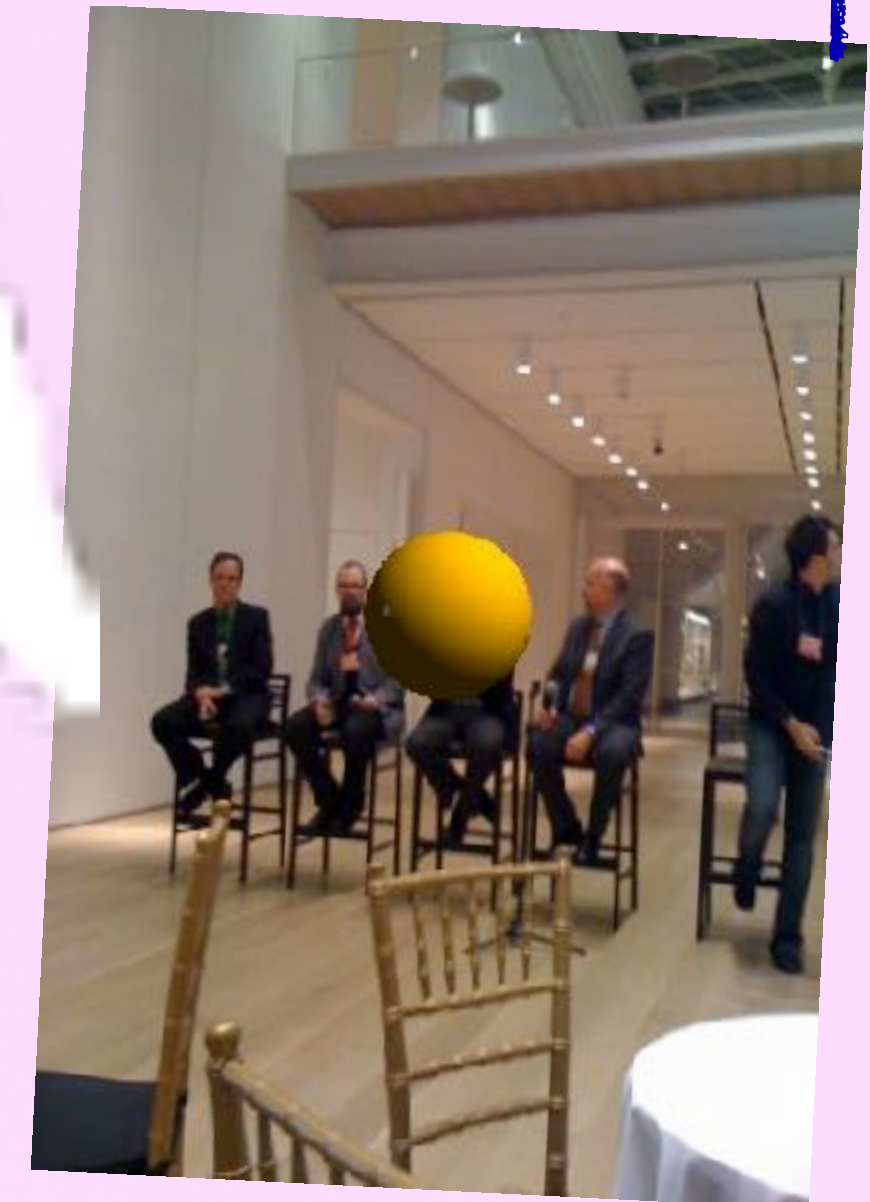


Mid 1990's



AmbiViewer 2002 - 07

first mobile
app



ACADIA '09

Historical Concept



camera feed



composing



tracking



modeling

Camera: SouthernReel

SouthernReel



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Introduction

Please note that this software was written for Mac OS X 10.2 with 10.3 in mind and does not support Macs with Intel processors

SouthernReel is a program for displaying and recording videos provided by almost every video camera on computers running [Mac OS X](#) and supported by [Quicktime](#). It is just another program for watching the outcome of your video camera like a DV camera, the [iSignt](#), another [firewire camera](#), or one of those cheap JSB webcams. Connect a camera, start the program and watch the video or record a clip. The most distinctive feature between these programs is the design of the start/stop button. Here is my suggestion:



Tracking: SimpleGPS

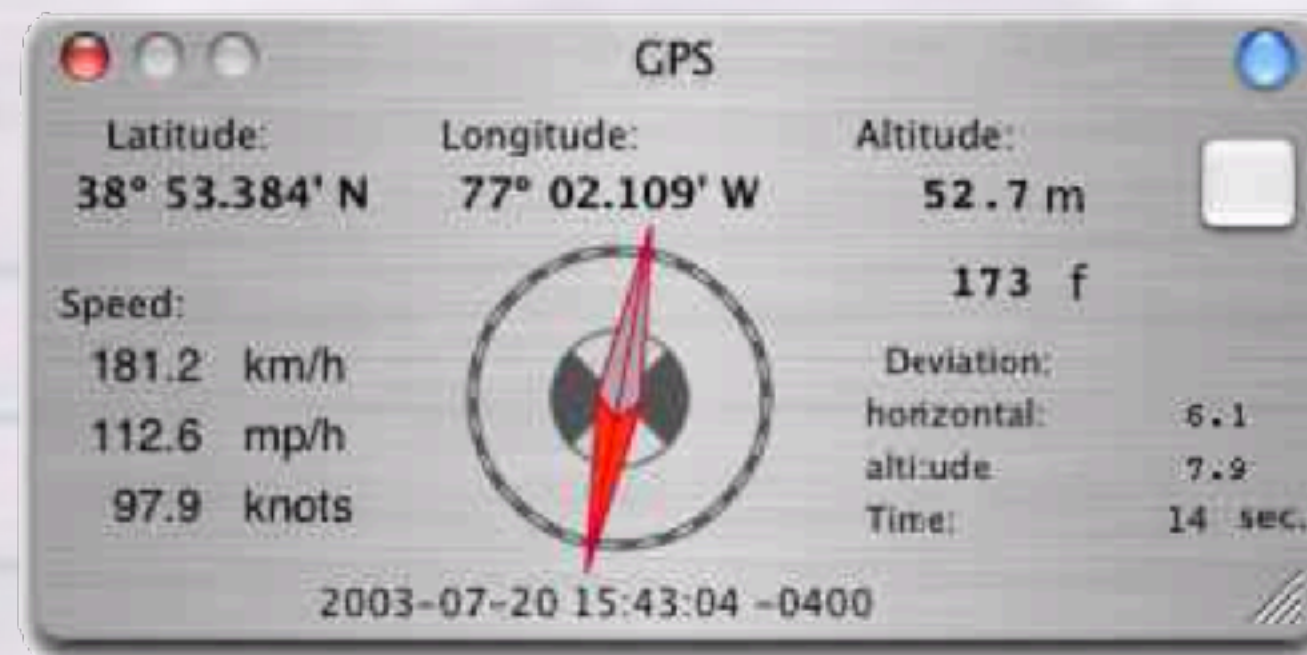
SimpleGPS



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Introduction

SimpleGPS is, as its name stated, a small utility to display information produced by some GPS receivers on for computers running [Mac OS X](#). It is mainly designed to be a tool for viewing all kind of informations while traveling or hanging around. SimpleGPS has no mapping, tracking or storing functions whatsoever of its own.



The program supports only the [NMEA 0183](#) protocol (inofficial sources are [here](#) or [here](#)), which uses exact specified ASCII-strings and requires a transfer-rate set to 4800 baud. Because only serial receivers are available, only those are supported. Meanwhile there are some bluetooth GPS-receivers available, but those are still very expensive, and they have no other advantages. This keeps in mind, that GPS is a 20+ year old technology, based on even older standards.

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Modern AR: ARKit and similar

- Introduced in 2017

- Integrated hard- and software

- VIO (visual inertial odometry)

- Liberated the concept from the technology

no more

- tracking

- camera feed

- composition (mostly)

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The virtual experiences

The augmented lie:

Presentations on the internet are always looking good.



But where is the gear?

Physical gear



Gear are all devices, markers and other installations to permit the desired experience.

Perception of realities with gear

The real world

$$P = R$$

Virtual Reality

$$P = V + G$$

Augmented Reality

$$P = R + V + G$$

Mixed Reality

$$P = n * (R + V) + G$$

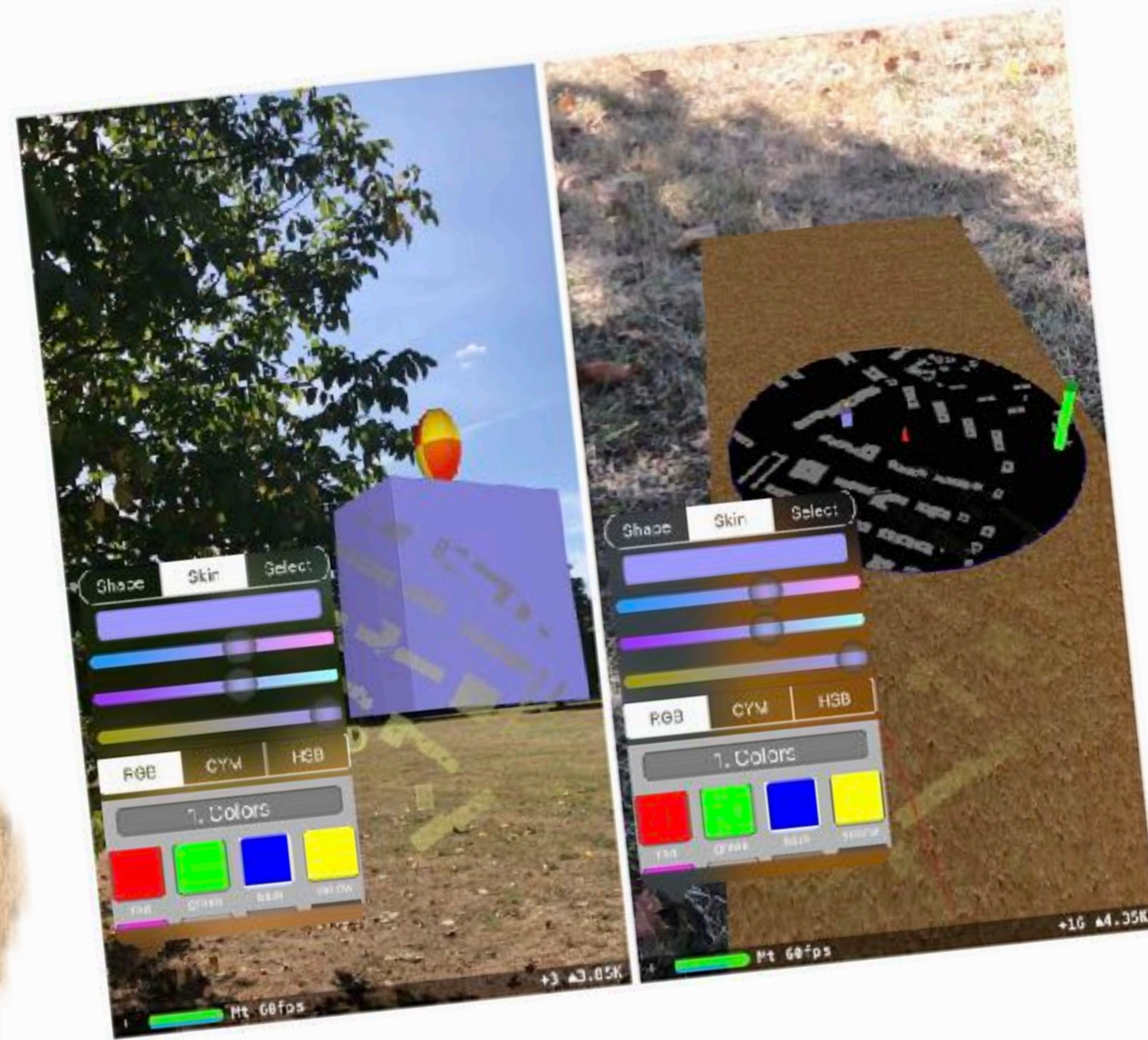
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Multi-variant toolset

different scales

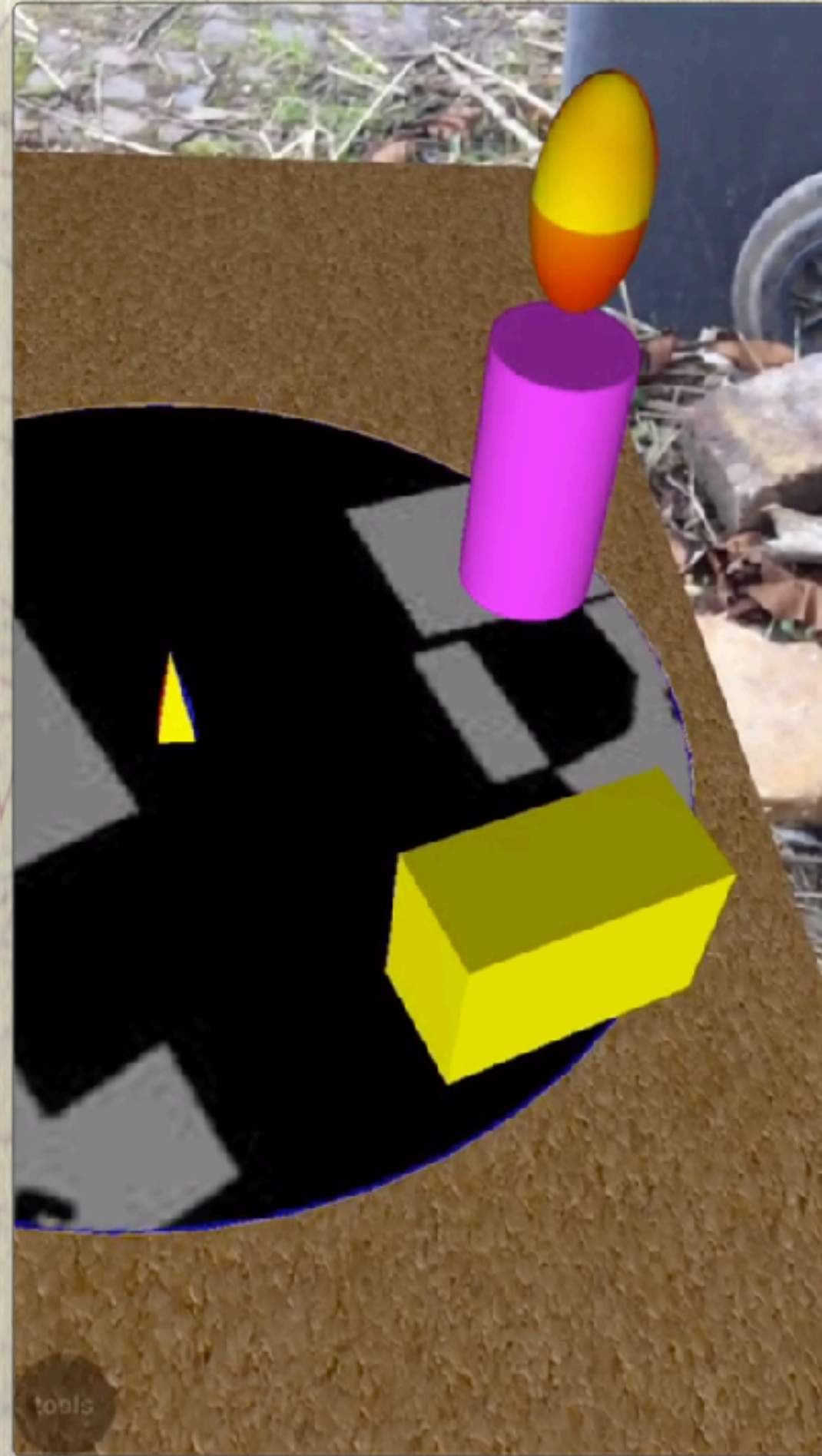


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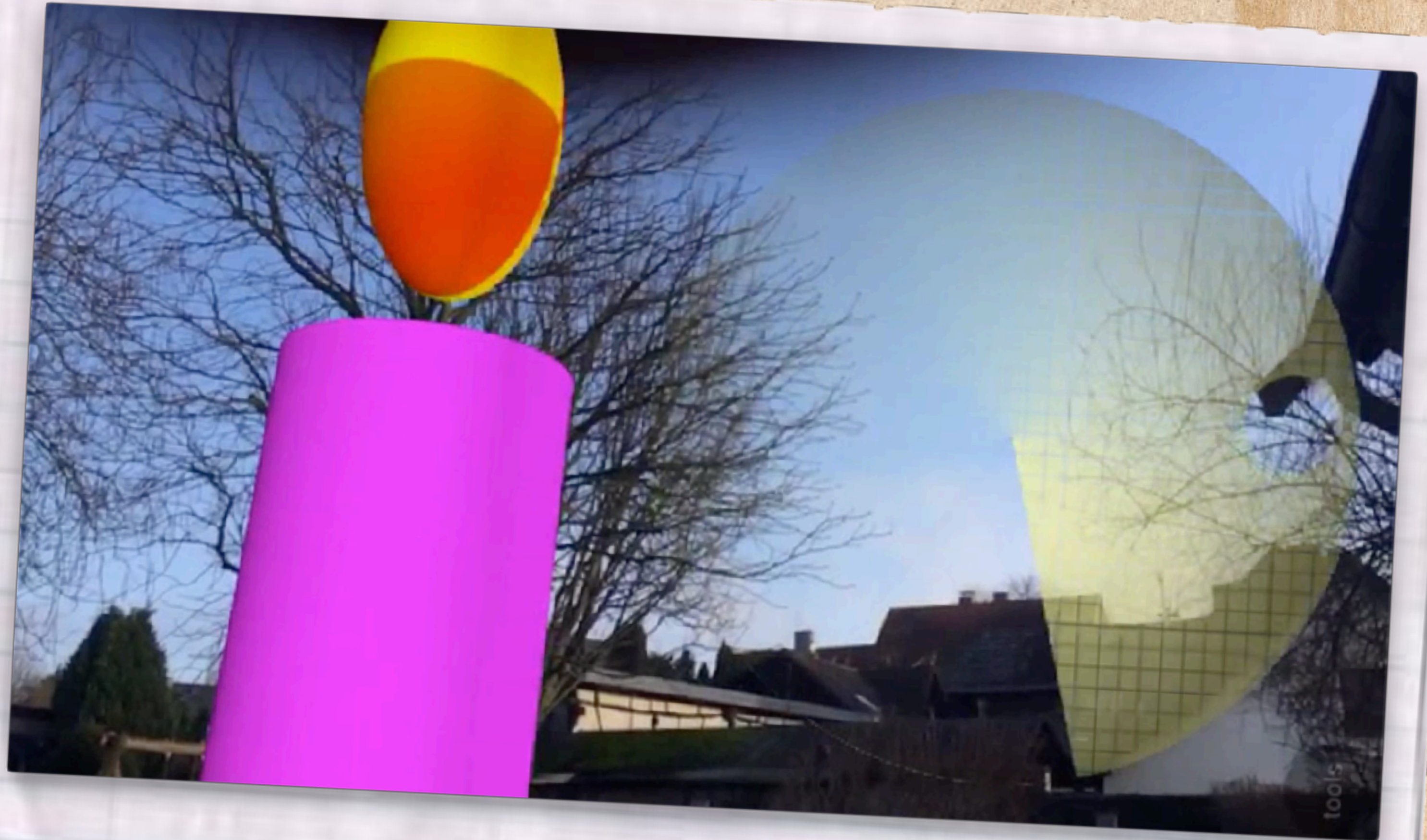


tools

Different scales



Model-scale for figural space



Panoramic-scale for environmental space

Switching scales



Editing a design



Panoramic view

Concept of flexible Immersion

Model combined with	mono	stereo
black background	Holographic	HUD Heads-up display, e.g. Hololens
Camera feed	Screen-display	HMD Heads-mounted display, e.g. Vive, Oculus

Flexible Immersion



normal
overlay



stereo



holo



$$P - G = n * (R + V)$$

Tools in 3-dimensional spaces



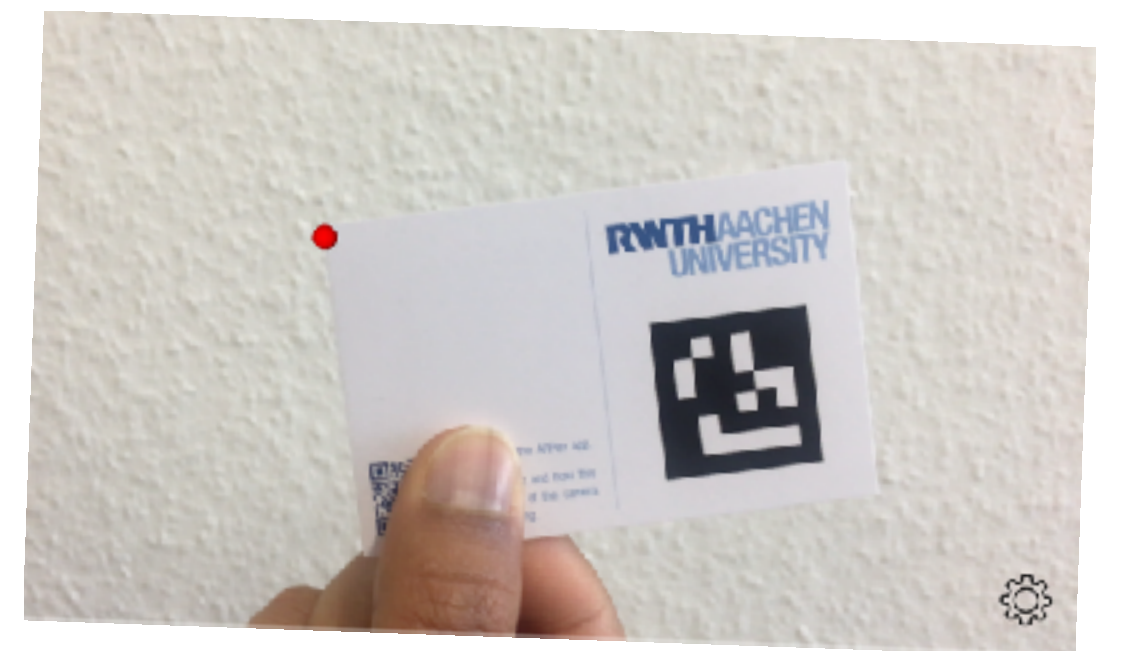
New and old ARPen



New pens with markers

ARPen

App from RWTH Aachen



<https://hci.rwth-aachen.de/arpn-ios>

Markers for Multi-tool



6 magnetic markers



aruco markers



inside the pens

... as presented there



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Future development

- occlusion
- semantic segmentation
- transparent models
- smart markers
- chip inside
- IDs
- some lighting
- feedback on the pen
- visual and haptic
- gestures
- collaboration
- networking
- even more markers for different users

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Obrigado!

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