# Scalable VR

GTC 2014 : Mid-Tier VR: Cost Reducing the Cave by Embracing the GPU

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#### Ultimate Display

"The ultimate display would, of course, be a room within which the computer can control the existence of matter. A chair displayed in such a room would be good enough to sit in. Handcuffs displayed in such a room would be confining, and a bullet displayed in such a room would be fatal."

-Ivan Sutherland Proceedings of IFIP Congress, 1965

### Virtual Reality

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Pixel density Brightness **Dynamic Range** Lighting and Rendering 3D, Parallax

### **Becoming Ultimate**

# The 1<sup>st</sup> Three

Pixel density, Brightness, Dynamic Range







### Holodeck on the cheap





# Details

How do drive that many displays?

## Connectivity







QUADRO GRAPHICS SYNCHRONIZATION SOLUTIONS NVIDIA Quadro Sync and G-Sync





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#### EXPERIENCE TOTAL IMMERSION NVIDIA® SURROUND TECHNOLOGY

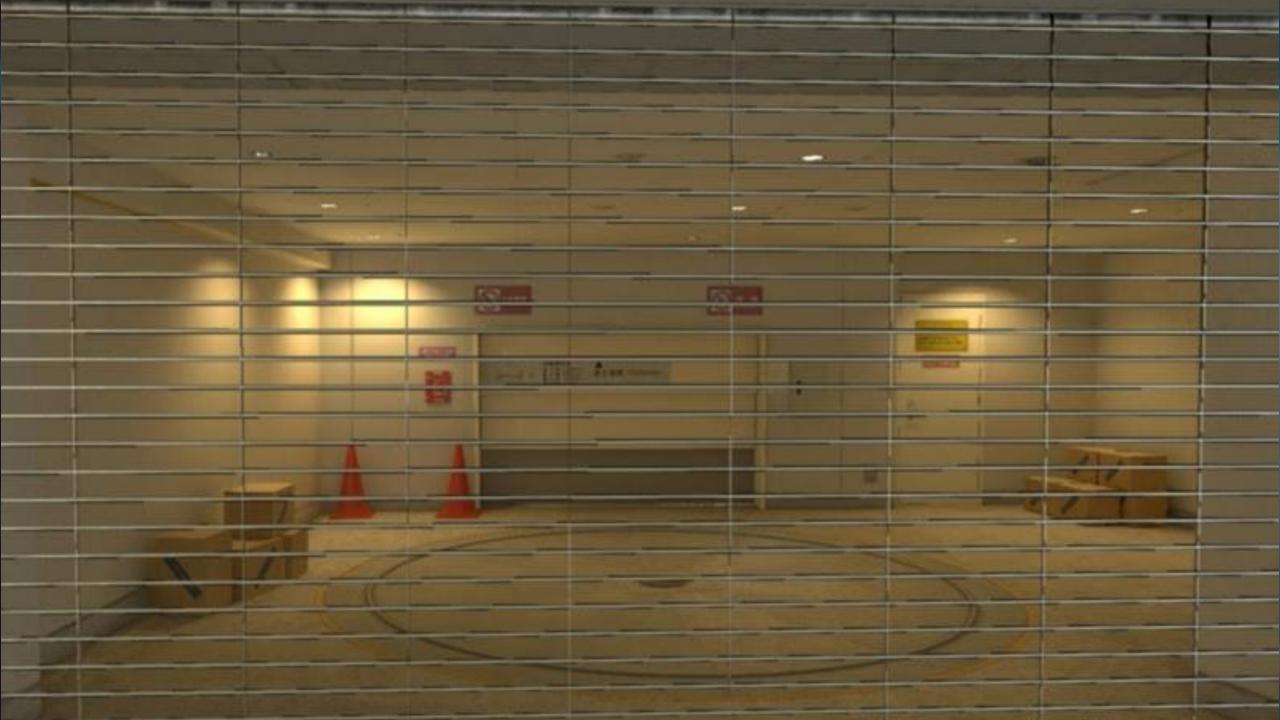
NVIDIA SLI Mosaic Mode

#### AMD Eyefinity Technology

# The last two

Lighting and Rendering, 3D & Parallax





# 3d & parallax

### Tracking



# NPCD



• Multiple Projector Common Data Interchange

http://www.vesa.org/vesa-standards/free-standards/



### What about

graphics

information?

## The real problem

Tying it all together

## Shipping Data

### Open Problems

- Perspective corrected rendering
- Data synchronization
  - GPU Particles
  - Lighting
- Border conditions
  - SSAO
  - Lens effects
- Data transport (framebuffers)

### Putting Some numbers on the table With Examples and Implementation

Detail

### The spectrum...



69 1920 1080P 120 hertz projectors Rear Projected Camera Based Tracking

> 720P Single Projector 120 hertz Front Projected, Kinect



	Eye	1998 Cave	2014 Cave	Reality Deck 2	iPhone 4	24" desktop
Res [arc-min]	1	4	1	<< 1	1	1-2
Stereo	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Contrast [levels]	100- 1000	10- 100	100- 1000	100- 1000	100- 1000	100- 1000
Color [levels]	100- 1000	10	100- 1000	100- 1000	100- 1000	100- 1000
Dynamic range	10 <sup>10</sup>	10 <sup>1-2</sup>	10 <sup>2-3</sup>	10 <sup>4-5</sup>	10 <sup>3-4</sup>	10 <sup>3-4</sup>
Horiz FOV [º]	±90	±135	360	360	±2	±15
Vert FOV [º]	±45	+45, -135	+75, -180	±30	±4	±12

Stereoscopic 3D Projectors Front or Rear Projection/Screen Configurations Tracking Software

#### Stereo Scopic 3d

#### Active:

is very accessible today because of the big TV 3d boom – High end systems from Wolfoni, Monster 3d (rf based etc) Though less then 20% transmisssion. RealD and DepthQ offer Pi Cells that are excellent also – lets use use passive glasses on user. DLP Link – reduce contrast...

Passive is a good compromise for large group viewing experience Vendors include: Infinitec (requires color processing and 6 color so special whhels) == can get special products directly from Infinitc for NEC PA Series (with SDT Stacking Built in) Wavelenth based

Polarization – Linear or Circular – off angle viewing issues can buy from many sources such as Berezin.

Omega Filters – no color processing, wave length separated , worth experimenting with.

### Projectors: Lots of Options but...

Active 3d 720p 120 hertz DLP Projectors, IR or DLP Link 500 lumens \$500 dollars, Optoma , Vivitek, NEC etc

1080P ST BenQ with 720P 120 Hertz Benq \$1200.00 (.5) throw 2k lumens

UST .34 Throw 720P 120 Hertz NECu310W \$1500.00 3k lumens

Optoma TW865-NL 6k lumen 720P 120 hertz \$4k dollars (3d Sync on board)

Digital Projection, Christie, Barco/Projection Design/LG/Panasonic Lower End 10k-60k for 1080P 120 Hertz -- Price will come down – 442x DLP Chipset controller out...

Barco will offer 120 Hertz 4 megapixel in the F50 at very competitive pricing in the Summer. F35AS3d opened up market below 60k per projector. Christie, Barco offer 120 Hertz stereoscopic 3d at 4k. Quality and expectations should be kept in line with "you get what you pay for"

#### Rear gives best Image, but it is very expensive in terms of Space!

Recent Optical Product advances provide Ultra Short Throw for higher Lumen projectors good for caves .19 throw 100 inch image from 31 inches away!



Rear Projection screens tend to be expensive

Front Projection can be network gry paint, screen goo, Screen Innovations RP flexible, Barco and Stewart offer the Finest materials. Barco can model and change screen density to optimize contrast! Flat dual use whiteboard/vr system



3 projector 1080P UST Laser Phosphor





#### Curved Disney 5 F35AS3d



#### Articulated



10 wuxga projectors CornerCave -worldviz

2 UST Projectors

#### Christie HoloStation

Barco OSV – Rear Projection Cube based seamless walls

Mechdyne Flex etc



### Tracking

Low End Kinect, Use Multiple?

Practical Good Systems Optitrack(5k minimum), Vicon, PhaseSpace, ART(10k) This is an area where the COST NEEDS to come down..

### Software

Home Brew use Unity Engine, Panda, Unreal, Crytek on single computer

Distributed Rendering are being made available through many vendors

TechViz, Eon Reality, WorldViz, Mechdyne all offer packages that solve many issues – distributed rendering, 3difying apps etc.

### Solution for under 20k recipe

2 NEC/Optoma UST projectors DLP based 1 5k Optitrack systems Use Unity 1 K5000, i7 SDT Tools.