### FRAMES & LENSES

### Framing Gameplay Experience in Games with Eye Movement Based Adaptation

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Why is that an interesting question?

How did you do that?

What did you find out?

Where can we go from here?



## WHAT DO THESE THINGS MEAN?

## **FRAMING** GAMEPLAY EXPERIENCE IN GAMES WITH EYE MOVEMENT BASED ADAPTATION

# Psychology: "frames as informationally equivalent labels" (Scheufele and Iyengar, 2012, p.2)

Attribute Framing (Positivity vs. Negativity)

If we suggest technological novelty, how does that fare to actually implementing it?

## Framing **Gameplay Experience** in Games with Eye Movement Based Adaptation

Presence (a.o. Takatalo, 2006)

Involvement (a.o. Brown and Cairns, 2004)

Flow (a.o. Csikszentmihalyi, 1991)

Immersion (a.o. Ermi and Mäyrä, 2005)

Gameplay Experience Questionnaire (GEQ) by IJsselsteijn et al., 2013

containing aspects of

competence sensory and imaginative immersion flow tension/annoyance challenge negative affect positive affect If we suggest technological novelty, how does Gameplay Experience change compared to games actually implementing it?

## Framing Gameplay Experience in Games with **Eye Movement** Based Adaptation

#### Fixations – 200-300 ms (Holmqvist et al., 2011)

Saccades – 30-80 ms (ibid.)

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#### EYE MOVEMENTS



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Scanpaths

If we suggest technological novelty, how do Gameplay Experience and expert behaviour as measured by eye movements change compared to games actually implementing it? What has more effect on Gameplay Experience and expert behaviour as measured by eye movements: The implementation of eye movement based adaptation or simply the suggestion of this technology?

## WHY IS THAT AN INTERESTING QUESTION?

Wetzel et al., 2014: Dynamically Adapting an AI Game Engine Based on Players' Eye Movements and Strategies

	Same Behaviour	Different Behaviour
K(n = 15)	7 (K1)	8 (K2)
C (n = 15)	3 (C1)	12 (C2)

#### CRITICAL INQUIRY ABOUT TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENTS



make their way into the mainstream big-budget releases

#### TRENDS IN GAME DEVELOPMENT





Eye Frog Frenzy Saga Deluxe by Eye Candy

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## HOW DID YOU DO THAT?

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#### ADAPTING ALGORITHMS



#### ADAPTING SPEED



	eye movement	conventional
	based adaptation	adaptation
player framed	FE	FC
(n = 22)		
player not framed	NE	NC
(n = 21)		

## WHAT DID YOU FIND OUT?



	eye movement based adaptation	conventional adaptation	
player framed (n = 22)	FE	FC	
player not framed (n = 21)	NE	NC	

Adaptation of Game

C = 1.37, E = 1.71, p < 0.01, d = 0.622



	eye movement based adaptation	conventional adaptation
player framed (n = 22)	FE	FC
player not framed (n = 21)	NE	NC

C=385.7ms, E=586.5ms, p<0.001, d=1.971



	eye movement based adaptation	conventional adaptation
player framed (n = 22)	FE	FC
player not framed (n = 21)	NE ¥	NC

F = 3.38, N = 2.77, p < 0.05, d = 0.718

#### PERCEIVED COMPETENCE



	eye movement based adaptation	conventional adaptation
player framed (n = 22)	FE 🗲	► FC
player not framed (n = 21)	NE	NC

C = 2.06, E = 2.55, p < 0.05, d = 0.669



	eye movement based adaptation	conventional adaptation
player framed (n = 22)	FE	FC
player not framed (n = 21)	NE ¥	NC

F=535.8, N=738.5, p<0.05, d=0.78

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They both have different effects on different aspects!

## WHERE CAN WE GO FROM HERE?

Remote Eyetracker

Qualitative Methods

Other Games

Historic Eye Movement Data

Prediction of Eye Movements

Considering Different Patterns of Eye Movements

# Investigation into framing effects of the suggestion of technological advance

A discussion of results of an extensive user study of systems with and without eye movement based adaption THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR ATTENTION.

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#### **APPENDIX – DUNNING KRUGER**



