# Local and Global Interestingness in Virtual Time

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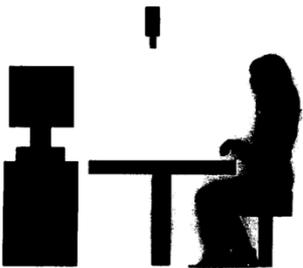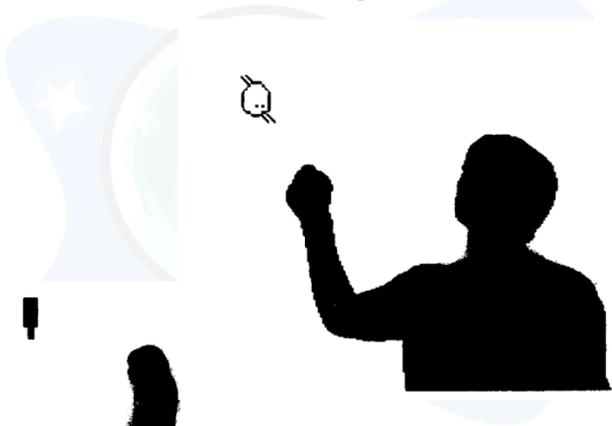
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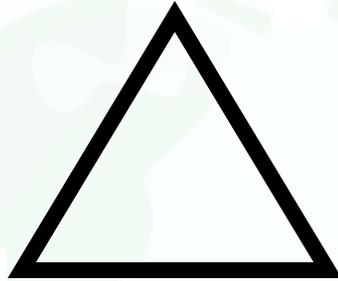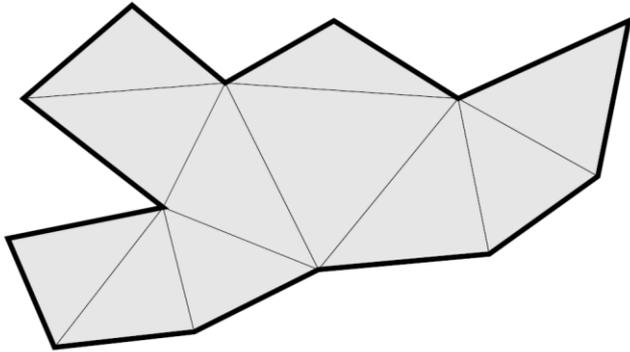
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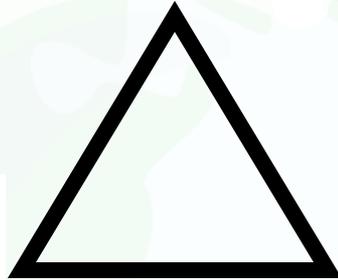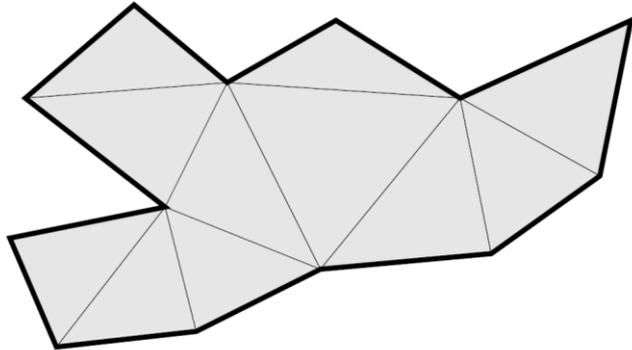
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• Art Gallery Problem

• Edges in Star Constellations

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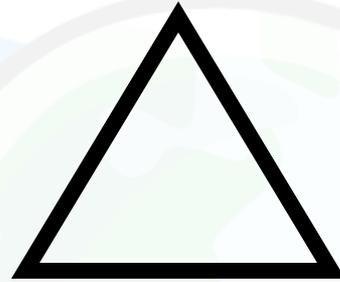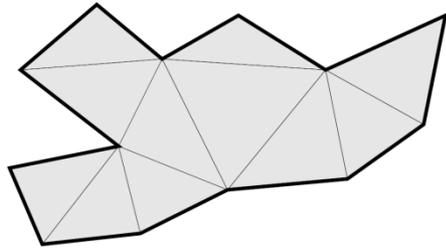
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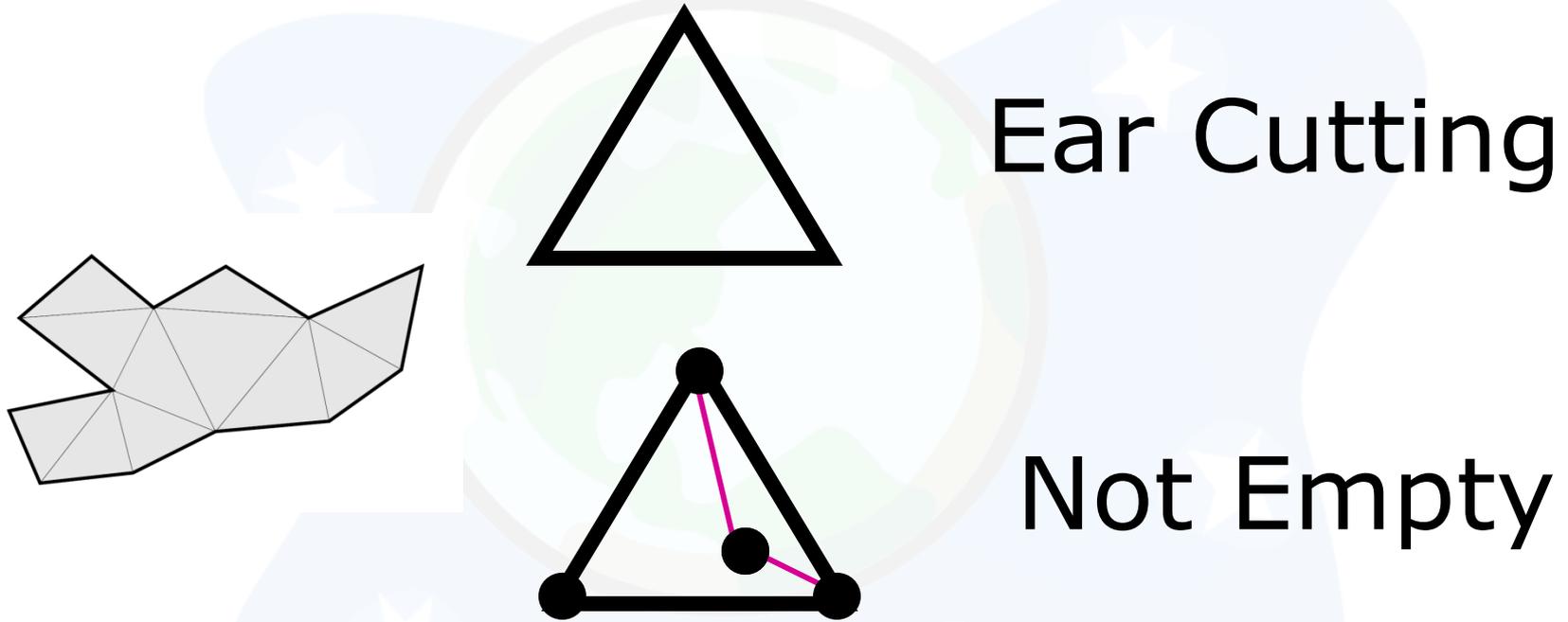
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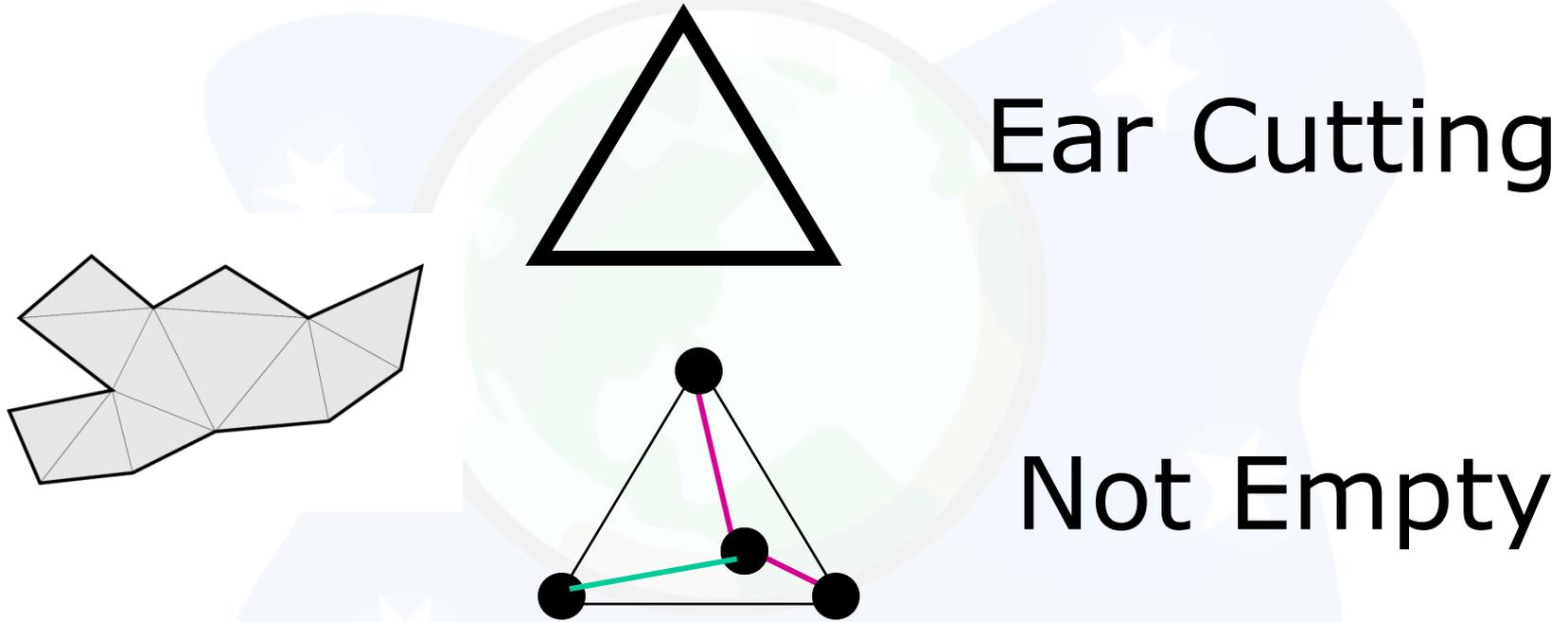
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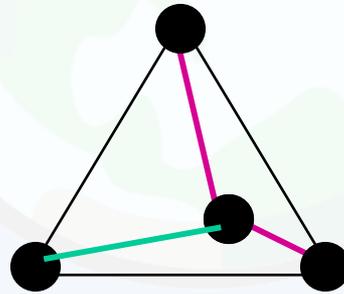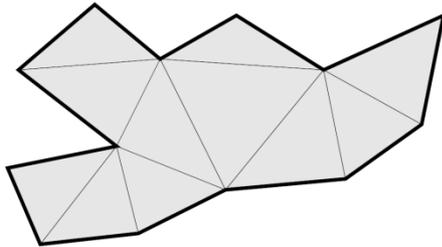
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Polygon triangulation

Instance: A polygon with n vertices.

Problem: Find any set of triangles with the following properties:
– Each vertex of each triangle must be one of the vertices of the polygon.
– No two triangle interiors share a common point.
– The union of the triangles is exactly equal to the entire polygon.

By induction, we can easily prove that any triangulation of any polygon with n vertices has exactly $n - 2$ triangles—provided that it exists. In the general case, the existence of a triangulation is far from being obvious.

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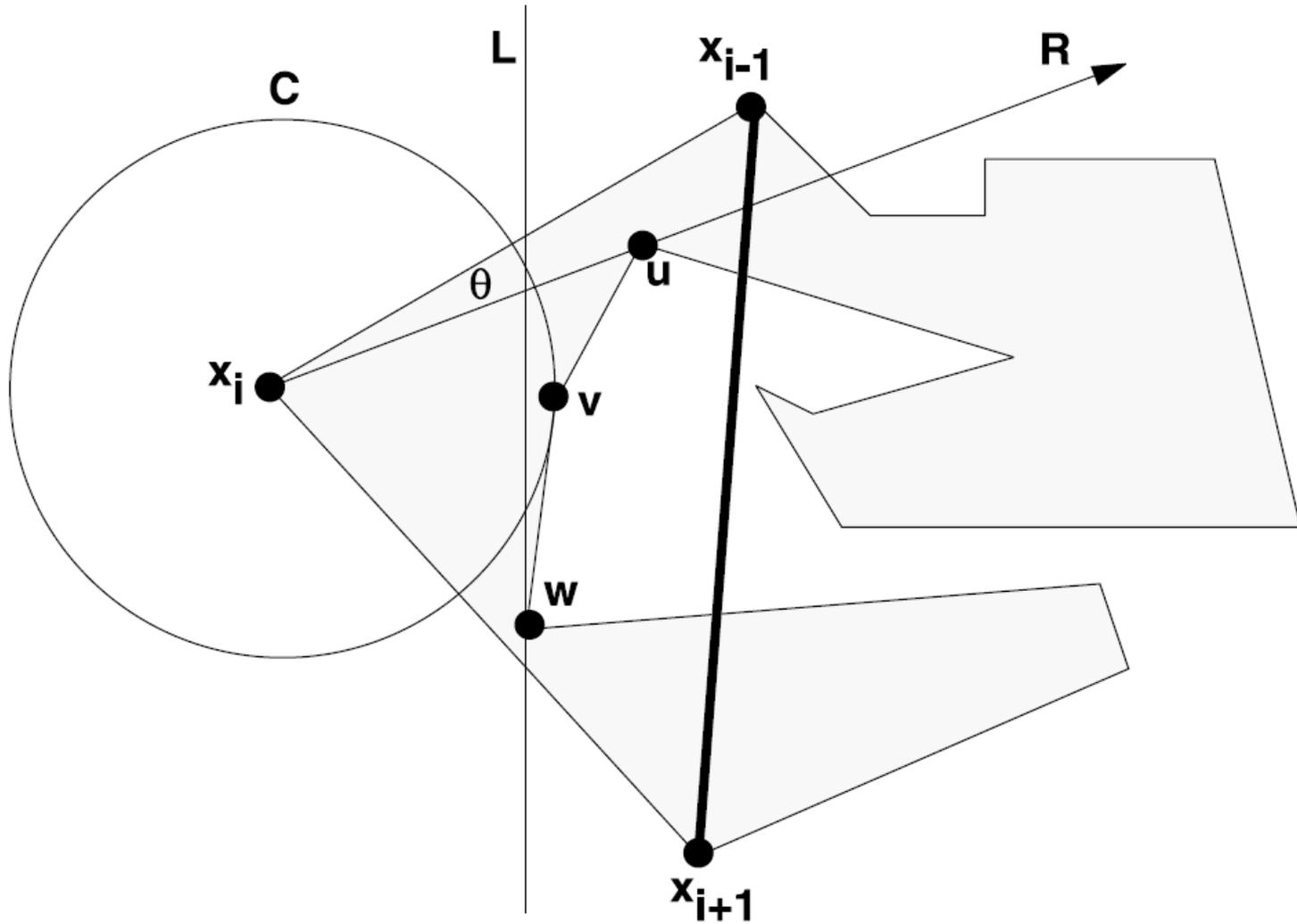
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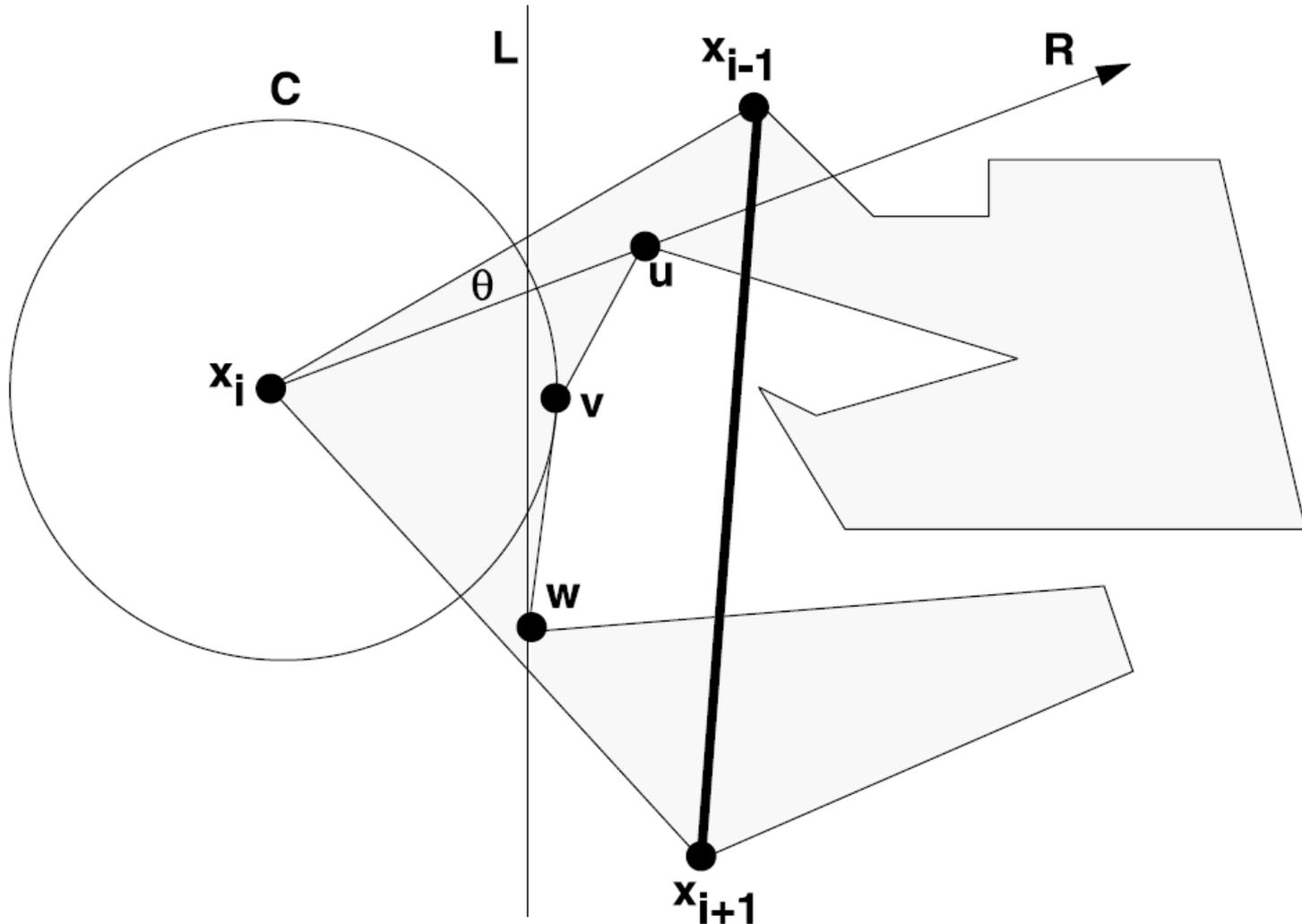
direct cognitive operations on tactile kinesthetic sense experiences

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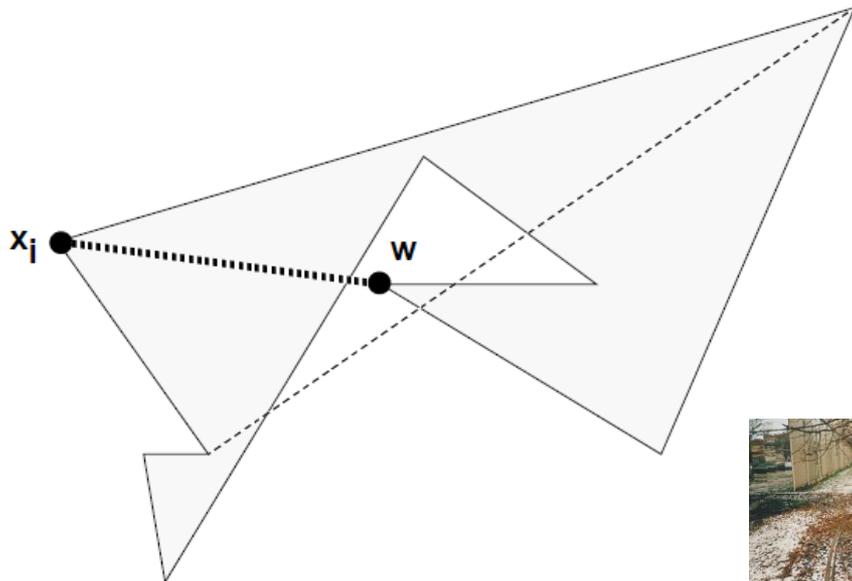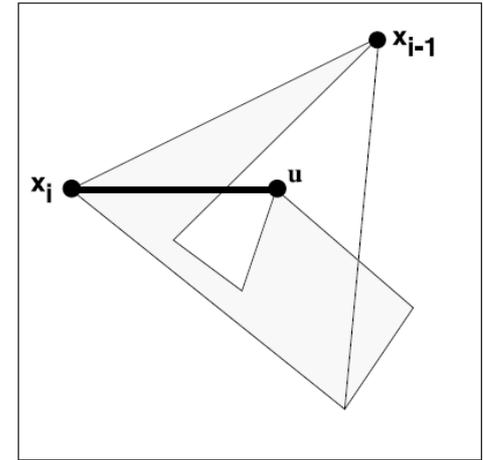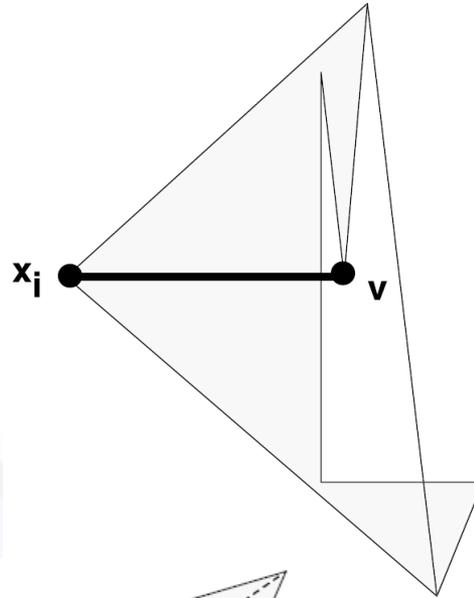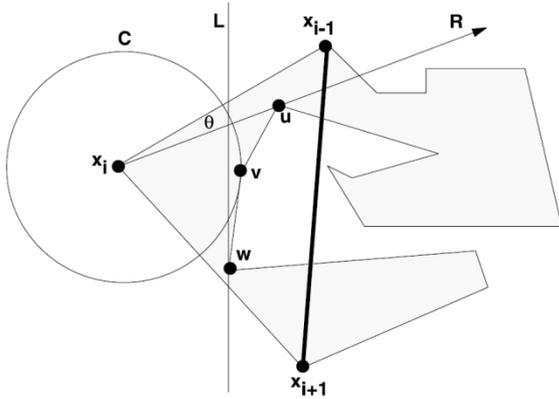
[SELLARES & TOUSSAINT] On the role of kinesthetic thinking in computational geometry.

Is there a CORRECT metaphor ?

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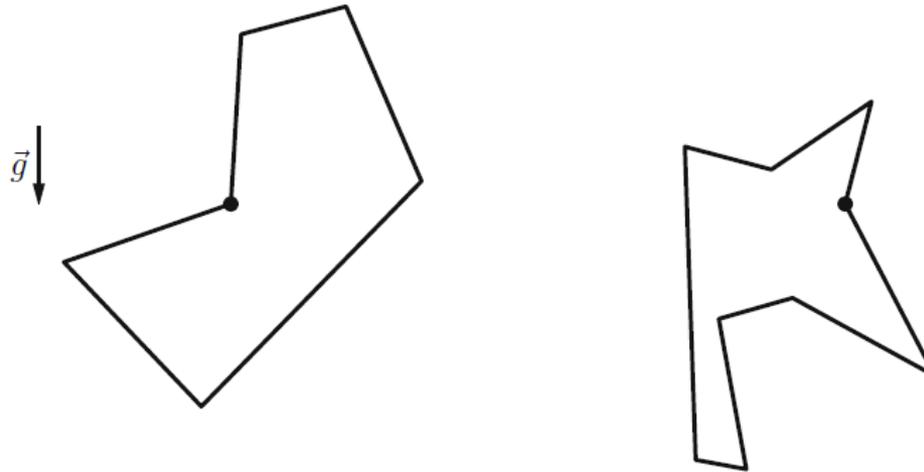
Fig. 3.24 Assemble *wooden board* to get the *boundary* of the *polygon*. Fix it on a *vertical wall* by a *nail* through a *concave vertex*
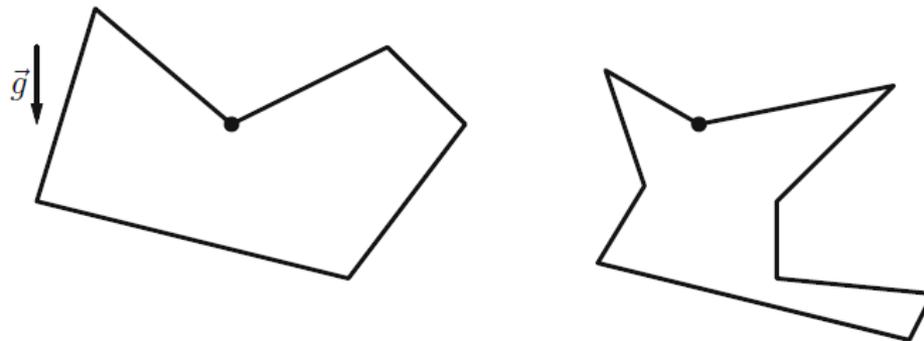
Fig. 3.25 Rotate the *polygon* so that the *edges* from the *nail point upwards* and *no edge* is *horizontal*
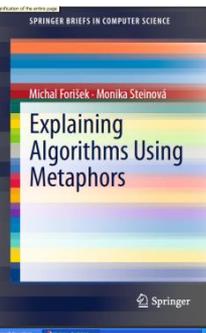
Metaphor (lead ball & rubber band)
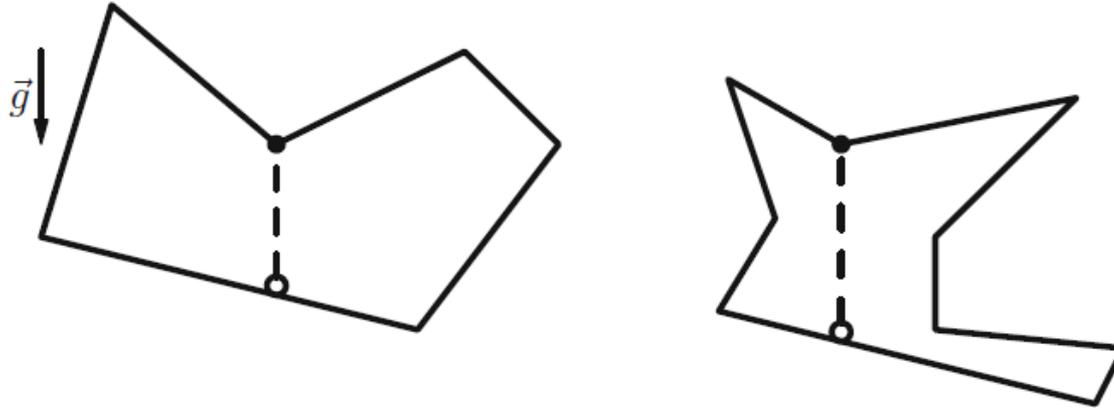
Fig. 3.26 Take a *lead ball* in the *end* of a *rubber band* and fix it in the *other end* of the *band* *nail*. Drop the *ball*. The *ball* falls *straight down* until it hits a *side*
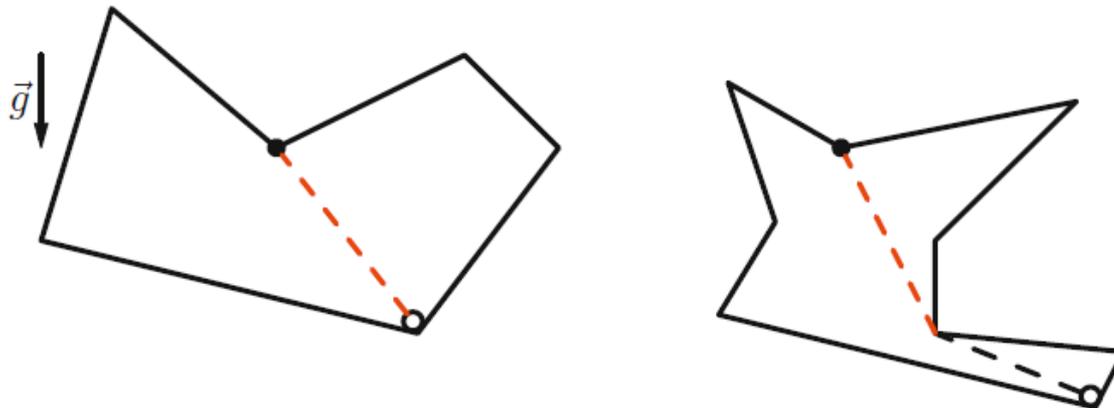
Fig. 3.27 Let the *ball* slide along the *side* of the *polygon* until it reaches a *vertex*
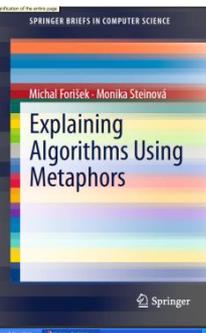
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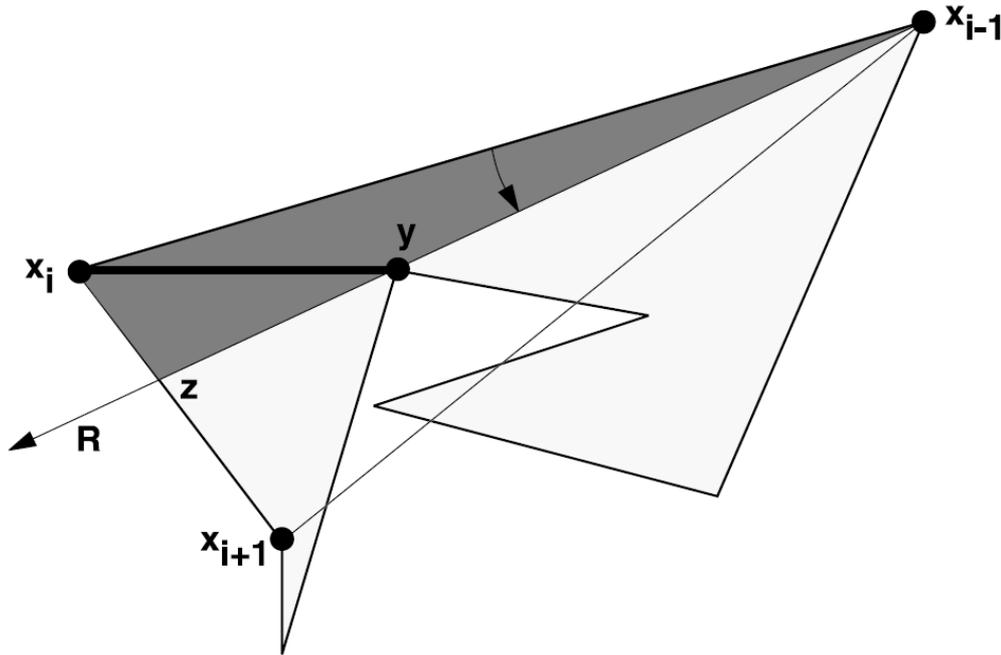
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(Linear) SWEEP WORKS

• **"Still, there is one other construction we want to mention due to its simplicity and ease of implementation:**

• **Let *B* be any *convex* vertex of the polygon, and let *A* and *C* be its neighbors.**

• **If *AC* is an inner diagonal, we are done. Otherwise, consider all other vertices that lie in the triangle *ABC* or on its boundary (there have to be some). Let *D* be the one that is the farthest from the line *AC*. Then *BD* has to be an inner diagonal.**

• **One of the reasons why we do not consider the above algorithm intuitive is the fact that the last step *cannot* be replaced by finding the point *D*' that is the closest to *B*. (Can you find a counterexample?)" [Forisek & Steinova]**
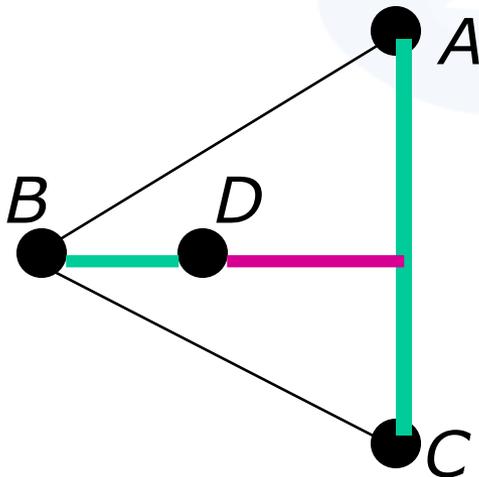
If D is both closest to B and the farthest from the line *AC*, OK.

However, we know

the counterexample already...

[Sellares & Toussaint]
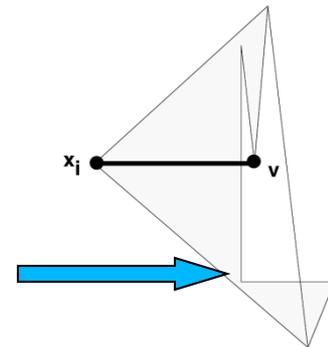
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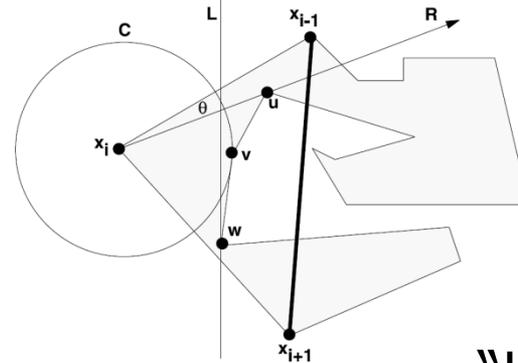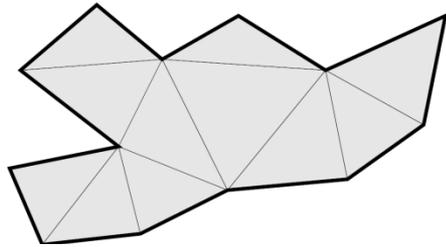
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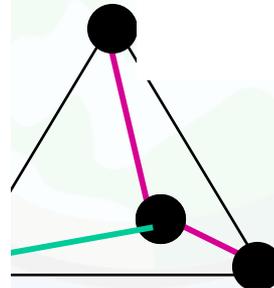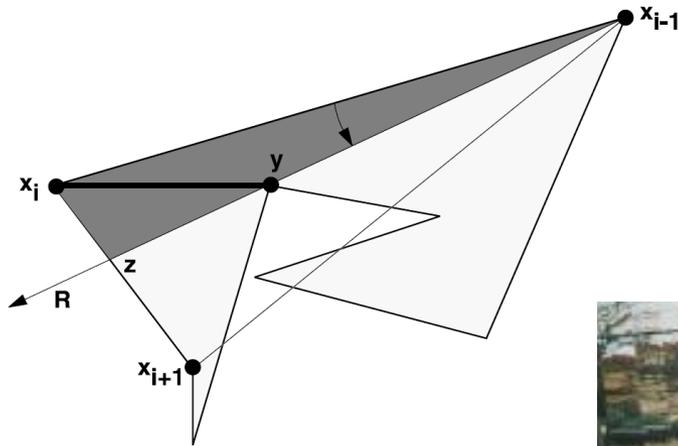
"Later, a linear-time algorithm was discovered by Chazelle [4], but the algorithm is very complex and there have been some concerns about its complete correctness."

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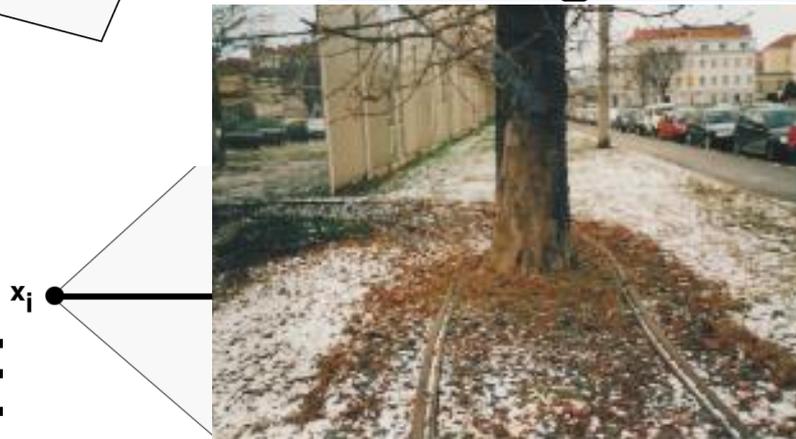
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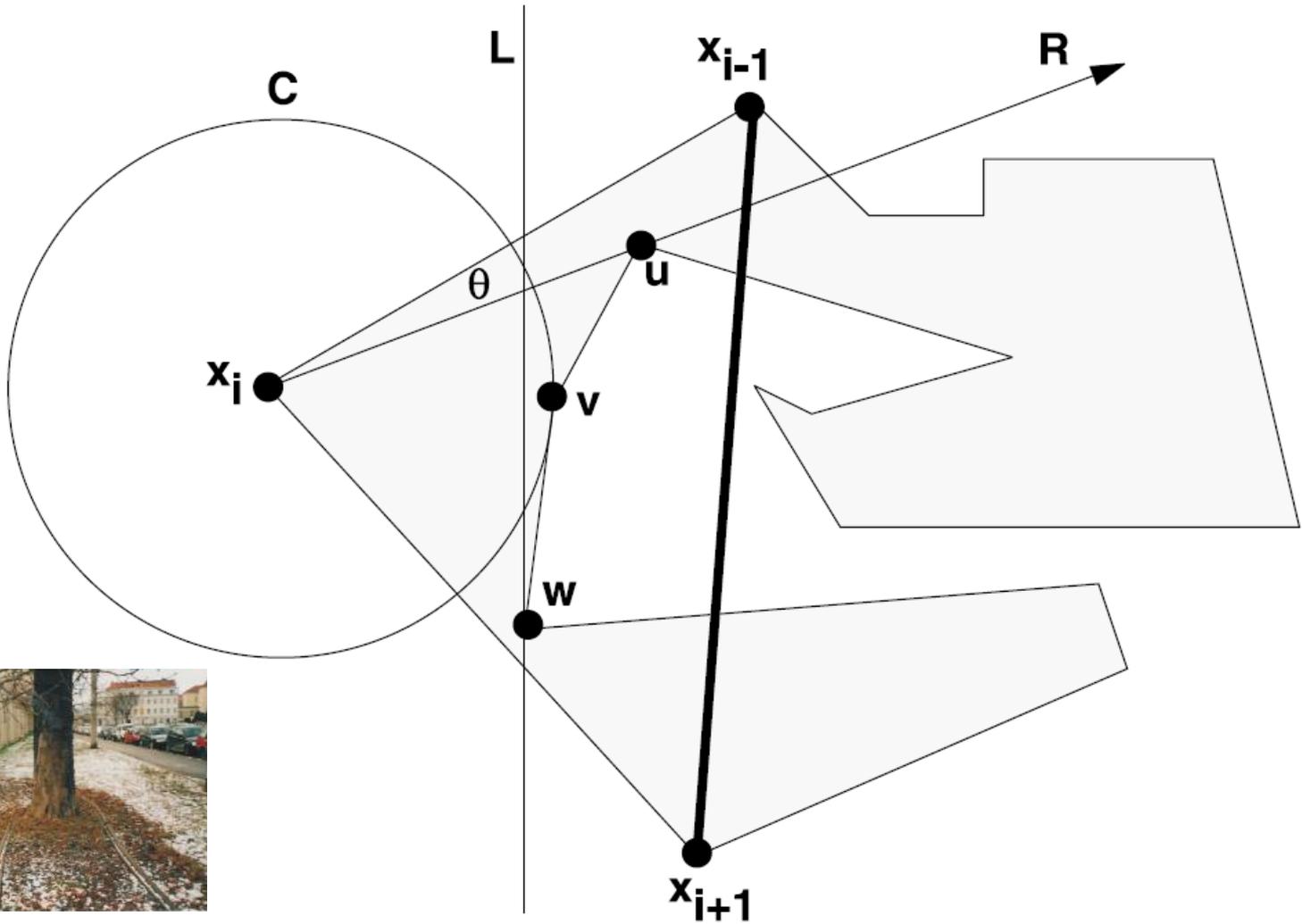
Wrong metaphor offers a valid strategy - - - energy of error

METAPHOR, ANALOGY

Lakoff and Johnson [15] A (conceptual) *metaphor* **is a cognitive process that occurs when a subject seeks understanding of one idea (the target domain) in terms of a different, already known idea (the source domain). The subject creates a conceptual mapping between the properties of the source and the target, thereby gaining new understanding about the target.**

An *analogy* **is a cognitive process in which a subject transfers information from one particular object to another. The word** *analogy* **can also be used as a noun describing the similarity between the two particular objects.**

A sample analogy: CPU is *like* **the brain of the machine** *in that* **it takes input data, processes it and produces outputs.**

By our definition, every metaphor is an analogy, but not vice versa.

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Abstract

Local and Global Interestingness in Virtual Time for Teaching using Wrong Metaphors

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We present an authoring method how to create locally and globally interesting teaching in a relatively short time. The overview of necessary notions includes virtual time, bisociation, energy of mistake, depth of immersion, and enthymeme. We discuss the usability of the approach in diverse applications, like measuring of engagement in a virtual museum or teaching polygon triangulation using wrong metaphors.

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4 Universes + Interestingness

Interestingness, engagement, enchantment... WOW!!!

--- Presentation, NOW & HERE, GUI, HCI... ---

<u>Implementation</u>

<u>Representation for computer</u>

<u>Mathematic model</u>

<u>Real world</u> problem

[Velho et al.]

Physical universe	→	Mathematical universe	→	Representation universe	→	Implementation universe
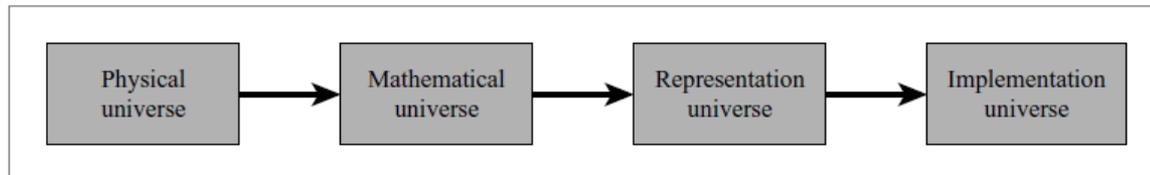
Figure 1.4: The four-universe paradigm.

Notions

- **Time, immersion, depth of immersion by Glassner**
- **Analyze a given minimalist example – done**
- **ICOM Definition of a Museum: A museum is a non-profit, permanent institution in the service of society and its development, open to the public, which acquires, conserves, researches, communicates and exhibits the tangible and intangible heritage of humanity and its environment for the purposes of education, study and enjoyment.**
- **Definition of a Virtual Museum by Qvortrup et al. - adding "telematic collection of multimedia..."**
- **Things, people, environments * Visualization, activising, hermeneutic sites ... 9 project options**
- **Real time – one past, virtual time – 2 pasts (author, user)**

Virtual time

• **Historically the first vision of virtual time after [Qvor02] can be found in J. L. Borges. His vision in the Garden of Forking Paths describes multiple times – branching, parallel and even crossing each other.**

• **Our case is much simpler, we deal with the linear (story)time. Even in this simplest case we have to distinguish two structures: event structure and discourse structure. Event structure in linear chronology is given by canonic ordering of events [Qvor01]. They can be presented in 1. canonical passage or 2. backward passage. There are three more possibilities 3. flashback, 4. flashforward and 5. embedded passage.**

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Virtual time has 2 pasts
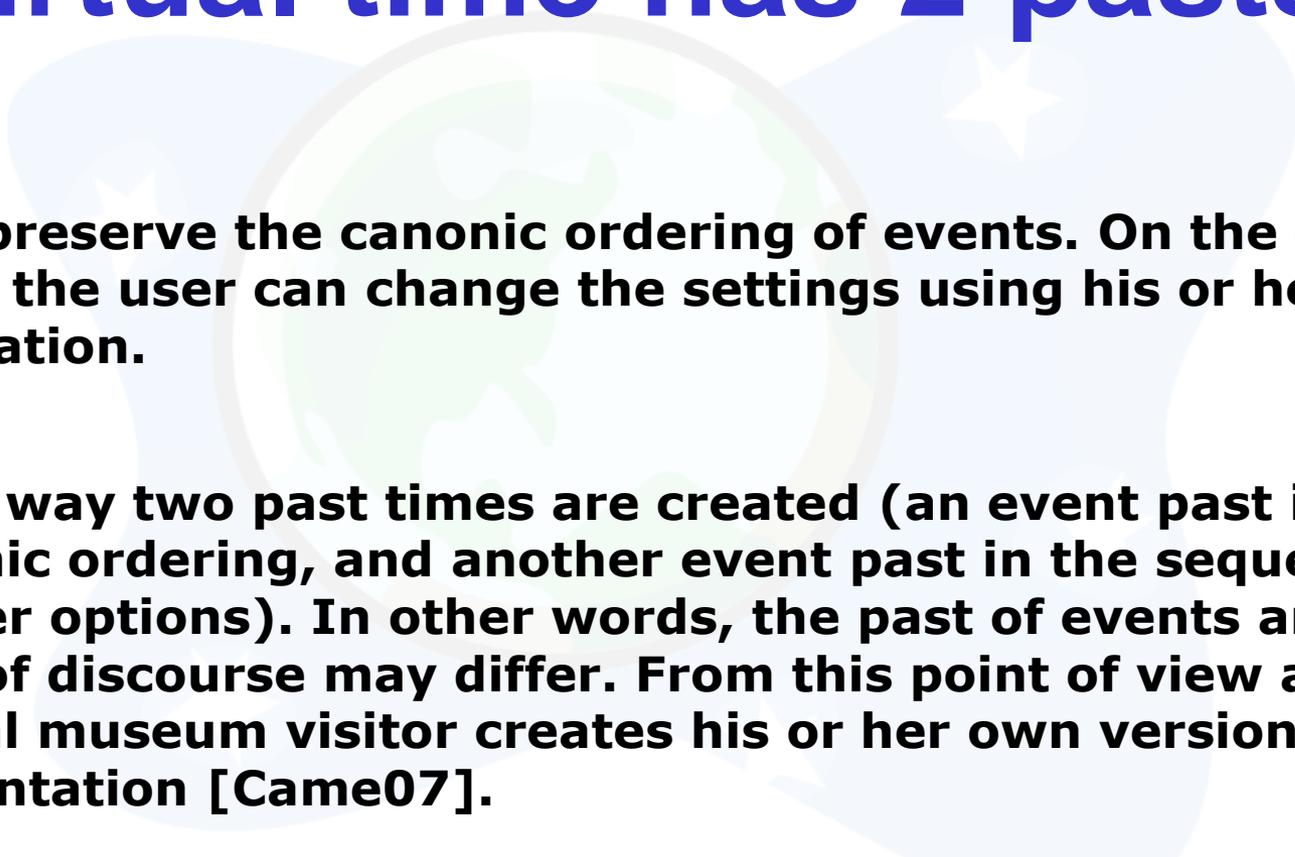
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• This way two past times are created (an event past in canonic ordering, and another event past in the sequence of user options). In other words, the past of events and the past of discourse may differ. From this point of view a virtual museum visitor creates his or her own version of the presentation [Came07].

•By the way, Qvortrup [Qvor02] cites a research, that the flashforward is the least understandable ordering from the above five options.

Virtual time ~ inverse river
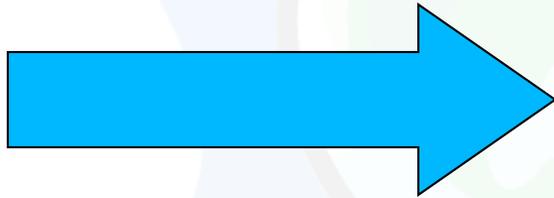
Discourse Time

Riverside
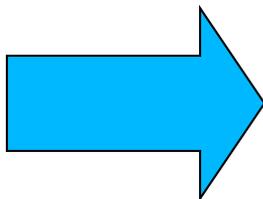
Event Time

One riverside, 2 streams
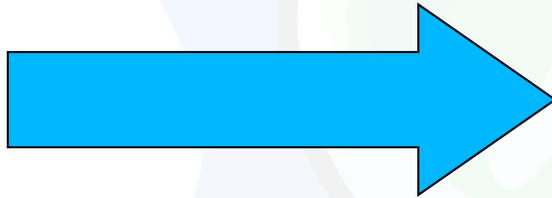
Discourse Time

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No time, just memory.

Gnomic time case.
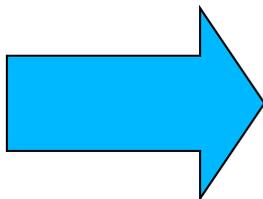
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Canonic Order Example

Presentation, Discourse

A, B, ? Memory
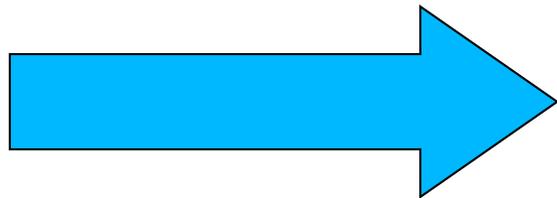
Authoring, Event Time

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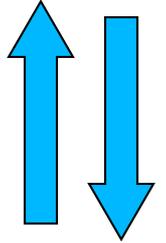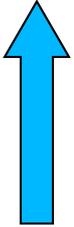
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Hardware/software layer (bits/pixels/inputs only, run time) NOW

Implementation for given hardware and software platform

Representation for computer (encoding, e.g. ASCII code, signed integer)

Mathematic model (or another conceptual model)

Real world problem (e.g. hunger by Berne: stimulus, time structure, contact, e.g. needs by Maslow: safety, selfactualization, transcendence)

Big Picture

Imagine, please, the user above this page and read it from the bottom line to this line, in a reversed ordering of lines. The user shares affective and cognitive responses, e.g. bisociation, hermeneutic gap filling…

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Visualisation metaphors	**(Rhetorics)**	**HCI metaphors**
e.g. cartographic map with weather forecast		e.g. desktop metaphor, phone, walk, fly, repeat

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- Interaction of participants… <u>collaboration</u>
- Interaction with the "world"

Defining Game (Play)

- **J. Huizinga: Homo Ludens**
- **J. A. Comenius: Schola Ludus**
- **Marxists: just a preparation for work**
- **E. Fink: Oasis of Happiness**
- **A. Ferko: Behavioral Mirror**

- **Serious Games = 21. century school**

Games & Stories => 16

- **The end of computer games**
- **A. Glassner: Interactive Storytelling,** p. 205

- **Social – individual**
- **Story – no story**
- **Computer – no computer**
- **Game – no game**

Many VEs

- **Virtual Space 8D xyztrgba**
- **Sound Space**
- **Social Space, Game Space (rules)**
- **Story Space (Glassner)**
- **Knowledgescape, mindscape, inscape**
- **No time problem => interestingness**
- **ECO (emotionally-cognitive overload)**

Time... hm...

- **Qvortrup... Borges... no sensor**
- **Everybody publishes, nobody reads...**
- **The answer is blowing in the data mining community only – 9 measures of interestingness**
- **Koestler? NLP?**
- **Virtual museums – engagement, enchantment – hermeneutic place**

How to define interestingness?

- **Koestler – AH, AHA, HAHA**
- **Google, UNESCO, Webby awards, CPC**
- **Genius loci, aura**
- **E.g. Virgin Tower @ Devin Castle**
- **Digital stories, intangible heritage**
- **Enchantment, engagement**
- **Visits/visitors*duration (engagement factor by Sherwood)**

A Better User Model

- **3 layers/personalities:**

- **Child, visual...**
- **Adult, symbolic...**
- **Parent, audio...**

Input data for all of them

On Model of a Human Being

- The Act of Creation (creatology):

A
S
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AP → GS → WS

AH!

AHA!

HAHA!
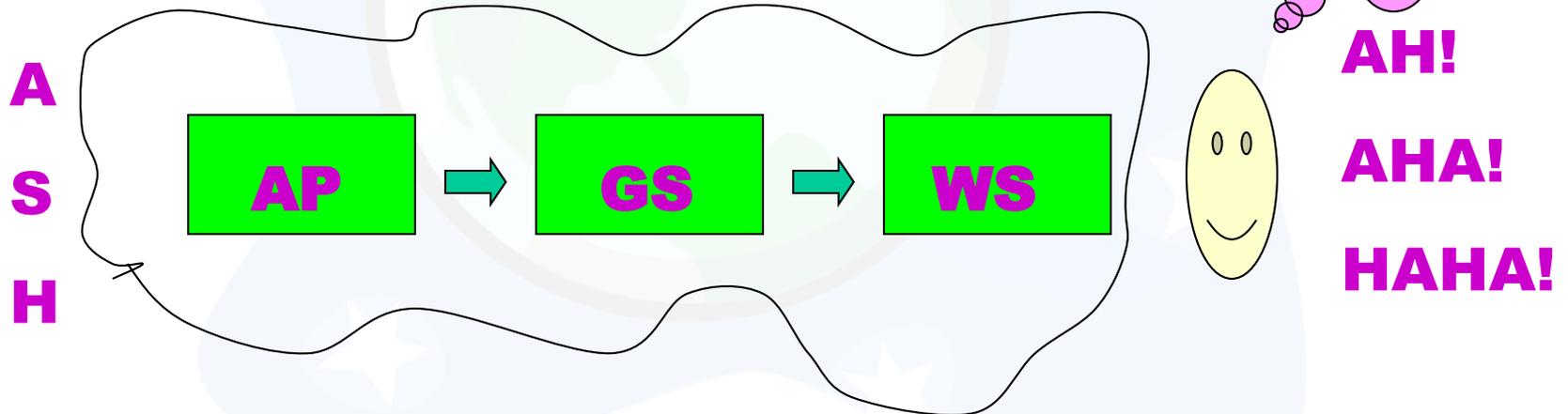
- Association >> bissociation
- Arthur KOESTLER: no labyrinth, no mouse, just bisociating two contexts

Interesting Undefined

- **In the first step we define what means interesting and using this criterion we identify the world unique dataset.**

- **UNESCO – 700+, e. g. fujara, Vlkolinec**

- **Genius loci – phenomenology**

- **Virtual heritage – CIDOC CRM... digitalization… public participation**

Genius Loci

- **Genius Loci = Spirit of the Place, LokalGeist?**
- **Etruscans – mundus, urbs, Roma**
- **Genius Loci ... Phenomenology**
- **NORBERG-SCHULZ, CH. 2000. *Genius Loci*.**
- **Implications (Hegel, Marx, Heidegger)**
- **Bogdan Bogdanovic in Vienna**

World Cultural Heritage

- **UNESCO**
- **700++ items**
- **30++ in AT, CZ, SI, SK, nearly no 3D models**
- **European added value is not added**
- **Digital preservation, documenting, publish...**
- **„... to enable Europeans to be consciously (and interactively) proud of their contribution to the World Cultural Heritage"**

Algorithm Overview

- *1. Measure of interesting -> the world unique dataset*
- *2. Data -> collect and measure*
- *3. Processing -> secondary datasets 4 presentation*
- *4. Design and implement -> HW&SW 4 interactive projected virtual reality and for internet*
- *5. Organize -> digital content 4 presentation*
- *6. Integrate and verify -> the prototype*
- *7. Produce, publish & medialize -> the solution*

- *In the case of Povazske museum, we even replace by our virtual reconstructions the real museum during its real reconstruction.*

Kahneman: Thinking Fast+Slow

Characteristics of System 1

- generates impressions, feelings, and inclinations; when endorsed by System 2 these become beliefs, attitudes, and intentions
- operates automatically and quickly, with little or no effort, and no sense of voluntary control
- can be programmed by System 2 to mobilize attention when a particular pattern is detected (search)
- executes skilled responses and generates skilled intuitions, after adequate training
- creates a coherent pattern of activated ideas in associative memory
- links a sense of cognitive ease to illusions of truth, pleasant feelings, and reduced vigilance
- distinguishes the surprising from the normal
- infers and invents causes and intentions
- neglects ambiguity and suppresses doubt
- is biased to believe and confirm
- exaggerates emotional consistency (halo effect)
- focuses on existing evidence and ignores absent evidence (WYSIATI)
- generates a limited set of basic assessments
- represents sets by norms and prototypes, does not integrate
- matches intensities across scales (e.g., size to loudness)
- computes more than intended (mental shotgun)
- sometimes substitutes an easier question for a difficult one (heuristics)
- is more sensitive to changes than to states (prospect theory)*
- overweights low probabilities*
- shows diminishing sensitivity to quantity (psychophysics)*
- responds more strongly to losses than to gains (loss aversion)*
- frames decision problems narrowly, in isolation from one another*

*Feature introduced in detail in part 4.

What happens before AHA?

- **Something pretty original now**
- **Appraisal theory:**
- **stimulus-arousal, adrenalin, interpretation**
- **When not sure with AHA => HM**
- **Self-observations here and now**
- **What about negative HM, levels of HM...**
- **H- (http! or towards M), hm-, hhh..., c-c-c, hmmm, mhm... aha, AHA**
- **BTW both H and M can be long and prolonged**

# 3D model by Kateřina Tátraiová
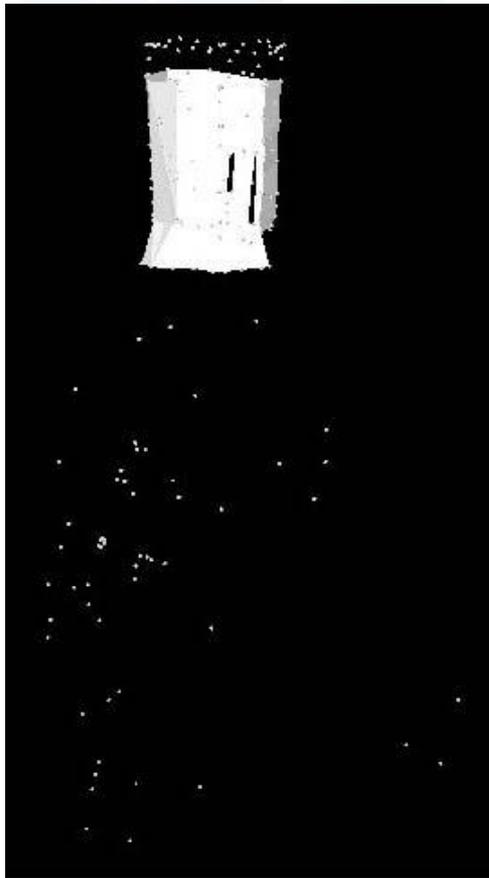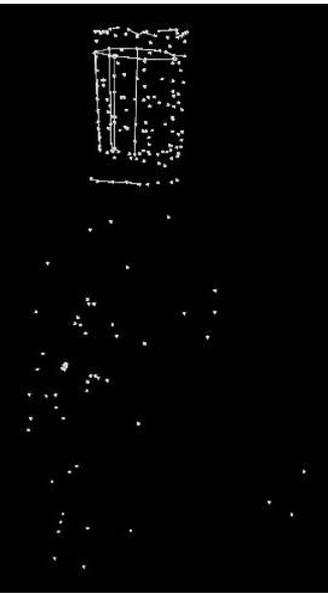
Prohibited love story Mária Ďuríčkova

- Rómeo&Juliet type
- Two lovers…
- … and a bad guy (villain)
- No happyend: 2 graves at the output side
- She jumps into the cruel waves of the Danube river…
- "The most beautiful legend of Bratislava"

Animation by Jaro Baran
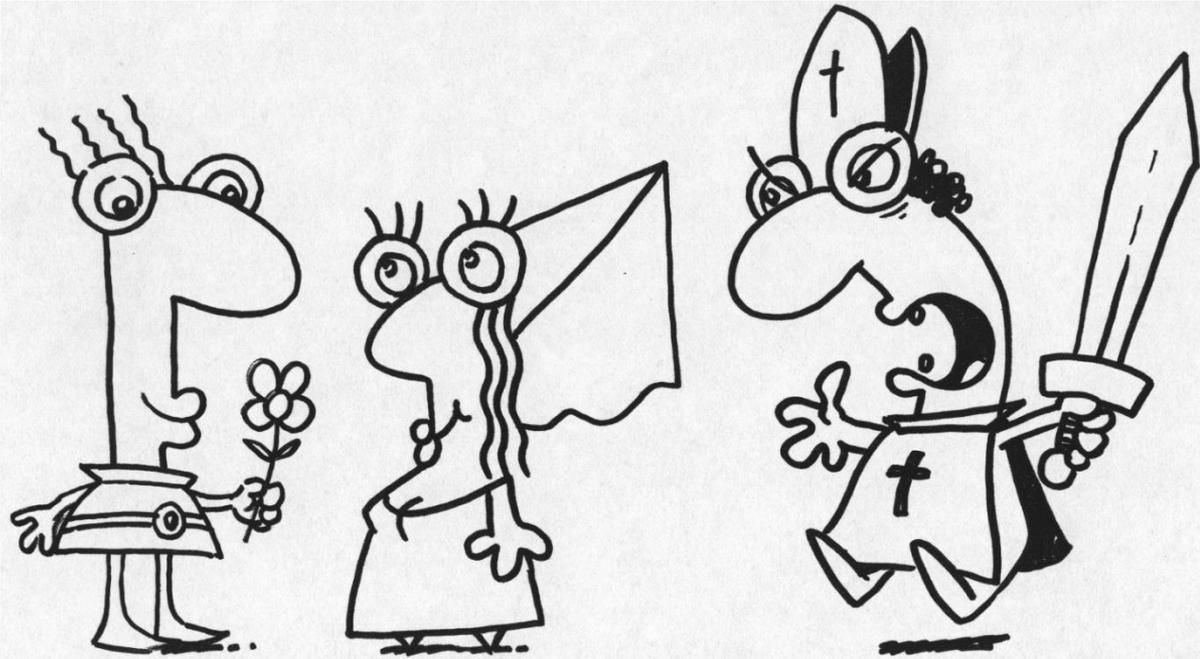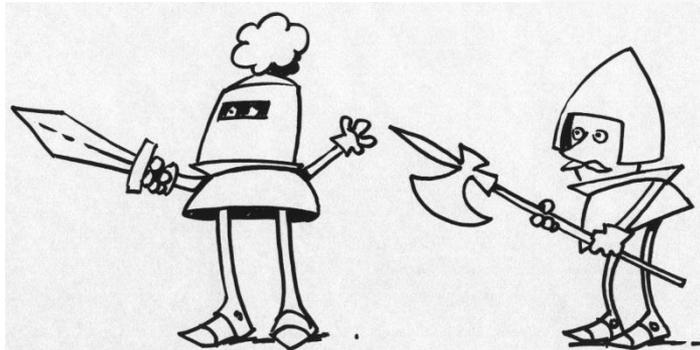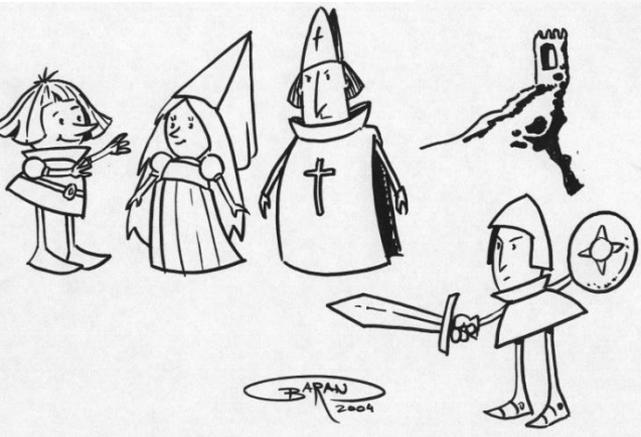
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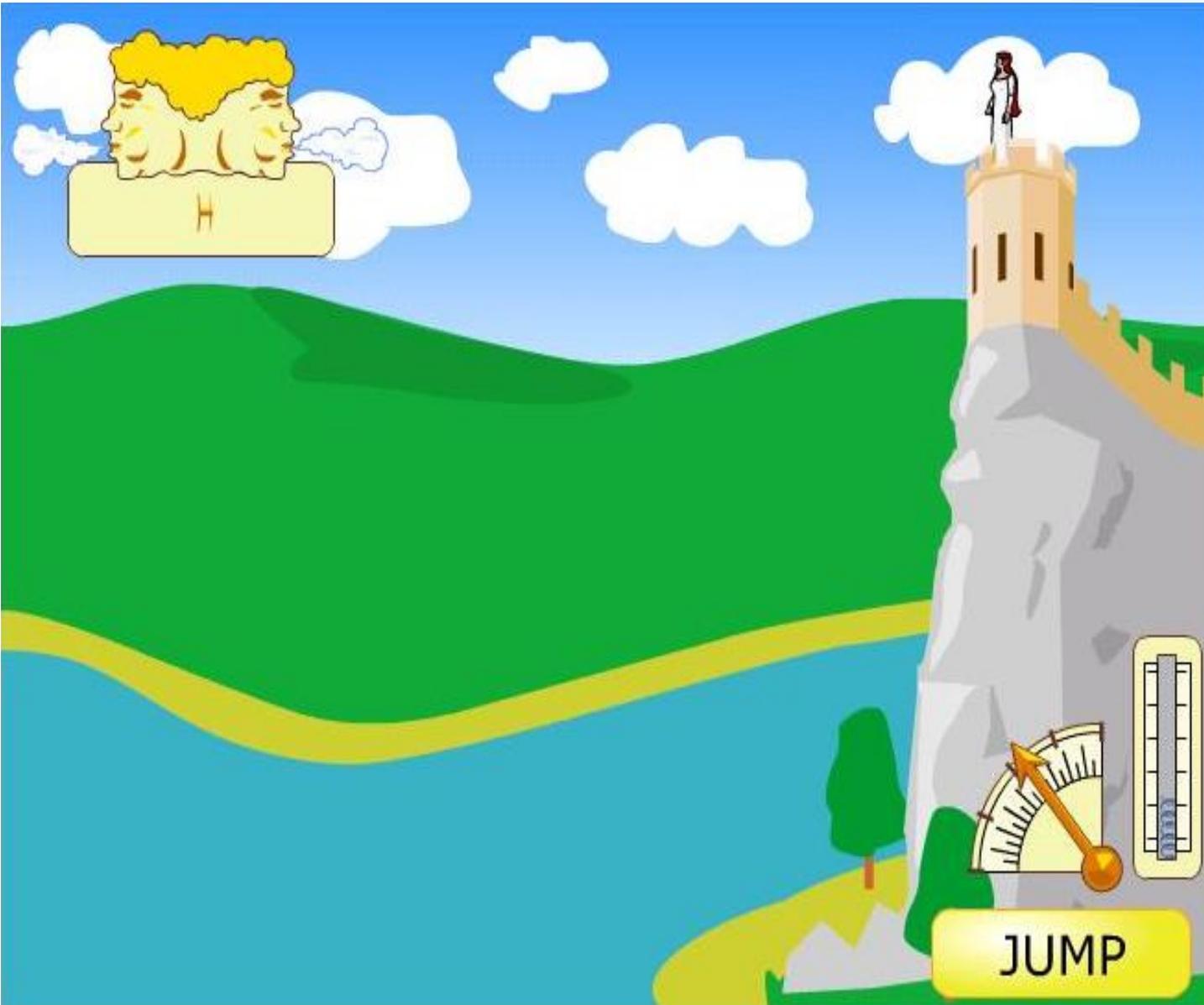
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Brhlovce Case Study

Diploma work, MSc. Thesis

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**Brhlovce cave houses virtual museum**

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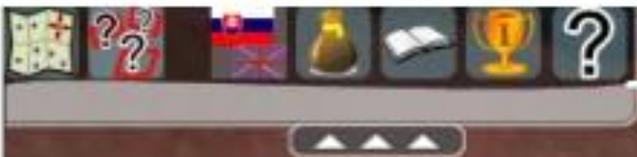
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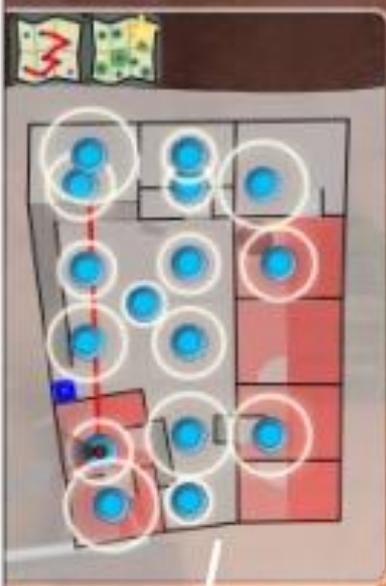
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mapa

V-Brhlovce Context Diagram

Architecture

d4ra100.VB_bag
- id : bigint(20)
- uid : bigint(20)
- id : bigint(20)
- tid : int(11)
- status : tinyint(4)
- time : int(11)

d4ra100.VB_itemtypes
- id : smallint(6)
- namesk : varchar(32)
- nameen : varchar(32)
- textsk : text
- texten : text
- imageurl : varchar(256)

d4ra100.VB_items
- id : bigint(20)
- tid : bigint(20)
- eid : int(11)

d4ra100.VB_panopath
- id : bigint(20)
- pid : bigint(20)
- prev : bigint(20)
- next : bigint(20)
- uid : bigint(20)
- entered : int(11)
- exited : int(11)
- duration : int(11)

d4ra100.VB_extension
- id : smallint(6)
- uname : varchar(16)
- type : varchar(16)
- titlesk : varchar(128)
- titleen : varchar(128)
- contentsk : text
- contenten : text
- url : varchar(256)
- note : text
- visits : bigint(20)

d4ra100.VB_pano
- id : bigint(20) unsigned
- uname : varchar(16)
- visits : bigint(20)
- totaltime : bigint(20)
- activeusers : int(11)

d4ra100.VB_users
- id : bigint(20) unsigned
- token : text
- logged : int(11)
- lastaction : int(11)
- position : bigint(20)
- panos : int(11)
- extensions : int(11)
- did : bigint(20)

d4ra100.VB_extensionpath
- id : bigint(20)
- eid : bigint(20)
- uid : bigint(20)

d4ra100.VB_guestbook
- id : bigint(20) unsigned
- uid : int(11)
- time : int(11)
- name : text
- text : text

d4ra100.VB_highscores
- id : bigint(20)
- uid : bigint(20)
- name : varchar(32)
- totaltime : int(11)
- extensions : int(11)
- panos : int(11)

Primary/secondary data

Virtuálne Brhlovce

Skalné obydlia

Výnimočný príklad toho, ako človek dokázal využiť prírodné danosti vlastného životného prostredia, sú skalné obydlia v malej hontianskej dedinke Brhlovce v Levickom okrese. Treťohorný sopečný tuf tvoriaci geologické podložie aj turisklého chotára umožnil obyvateľom obce vysekať si do mäkkej skaly nielen hospodárske no tiež obytné priestory svojho domova. Brhlovce (prvá zmienka z r. 1245) zo svojej dlhej histórie odvodzujú ústnym podaním dobu tureckých vojen za čas vzniku takýchto nezvyklých obydlí. Ako prvý ich opísal až Matej Bel v r. 1742 vo svojich Notitiach. Na kameň stvrdnutý sopečný popol umožnil vysekať príbytky do južného svahu Šurdy a Dolinky. Turisklým kamenárom poslúžil ako materiál, z ktorého vykresali nespočetné množstvo kvádrov na stavbu domov či klemby vinných pivníc, zárubne okien, dverí, schody, stĺpy gánkov i vrát, vstupné bránky pre sedliacke usadlosti mnohých hontianskych a tekovských obcí. Náhrobky z brhlovského kameňa sa dodnes nachádzajú na katolíckych, protestantských i židovských hroboch ba cintorínoch v širokom okolí. Kamenárskemu umeniu sa Brhlovčania priučili u talianskych majstrov, ktorí postavili turisklý neskorobarokový kaštieľ (z r. 1756) a katolícky kostolík vedľa neho.

V roku 1983 slovenská vláda svojim uznesením č. 272 vyhlásila skalné obydlia v brhlovskej Šurde a Dolinke za pamiatkovú rezerváciu ľudovej architektúry. Tekovské múzeum v Leviciach tam v júni 1982 sprístupnilo verejnosti svoju výsunutú expozíciu ľudového bývania v usadlosti č. 142 kde žila do roku 1988 žila rodina Ladislava Horňáka. Usadlosť má na konci dvora vysekané do skaly priestory až v 2 podlažiach (asi pol. 18-začiatok 20. storočia), po stranách dvora stoja z kameňa vymurované domy. Menší je z 60-ych 19. storočia, väčší je datovaný na priečelí r. 1892, zadnú izbu postavili až v 50. rokoch. Pôvodne tu žili až tri rodiny v spoločnom dvore. Obytné miestnosti domov (pitvor, kuchyňa, izby) aj letná kuchyňa v skale sú zariadené tak, aby hodnoverne priblížili atmosféru živej domácnosti a ukázali vývoj bytovej kultúry obyvateľov Brhloviec i širšieho regiónu Tekova a Hontu v priebehu 20. storočia. Vybavenie hospodárskych priestorov (komora, maštaľ, kamenárska dielňa) aspoň v náznaku približuje tradičný spôsob obživy Brhlovčanov.

Za záchranu domovu a ďalšie adekvátne využitie bola významnej pamiatky ľudového staviteľstva dostalo Tekovské múzeum v roku 1993 svoju trvalú expozíciu Skalné obydlia v Brhlovciach medzinárodné ocenenie bronzovú plaketu EUROPA NOSTRA.

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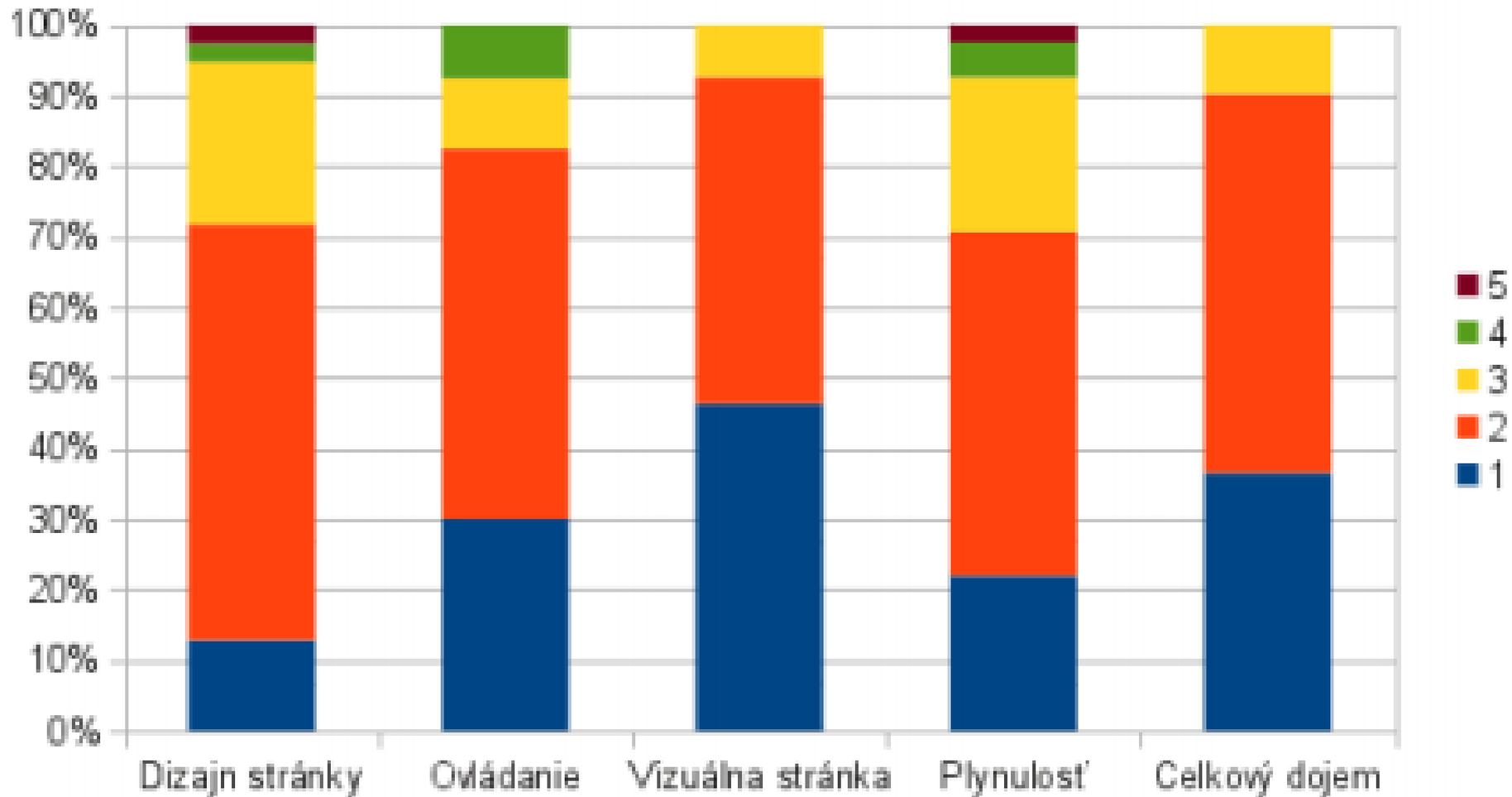
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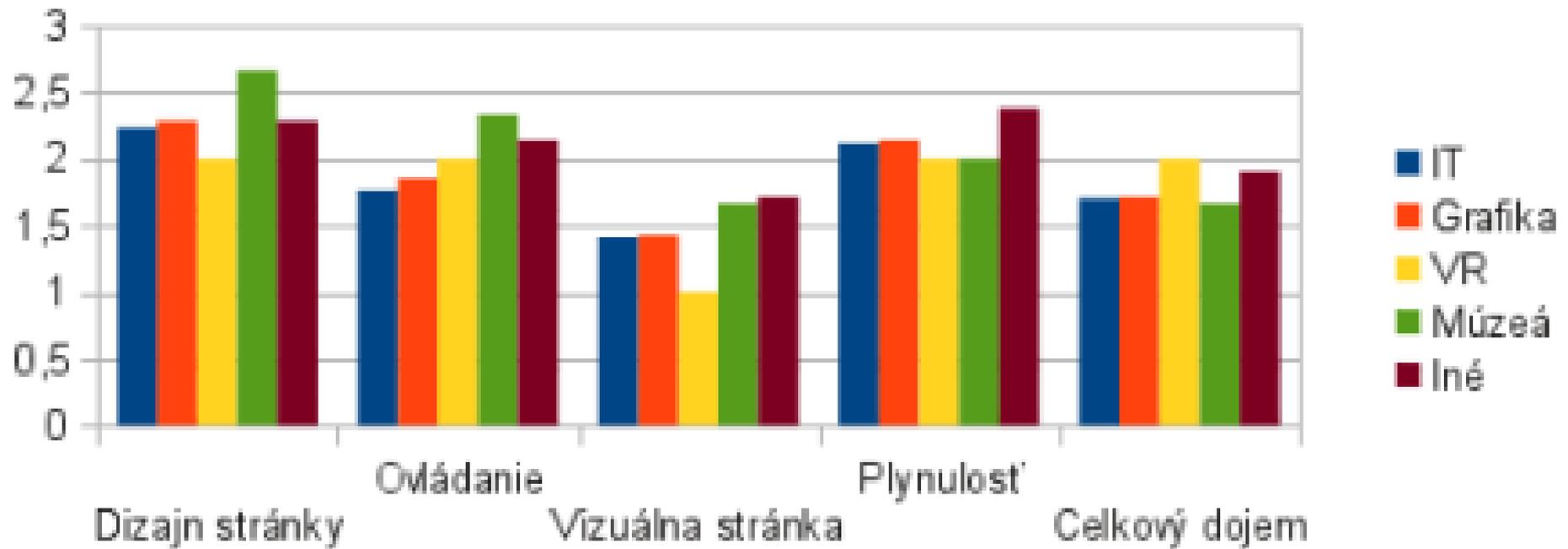
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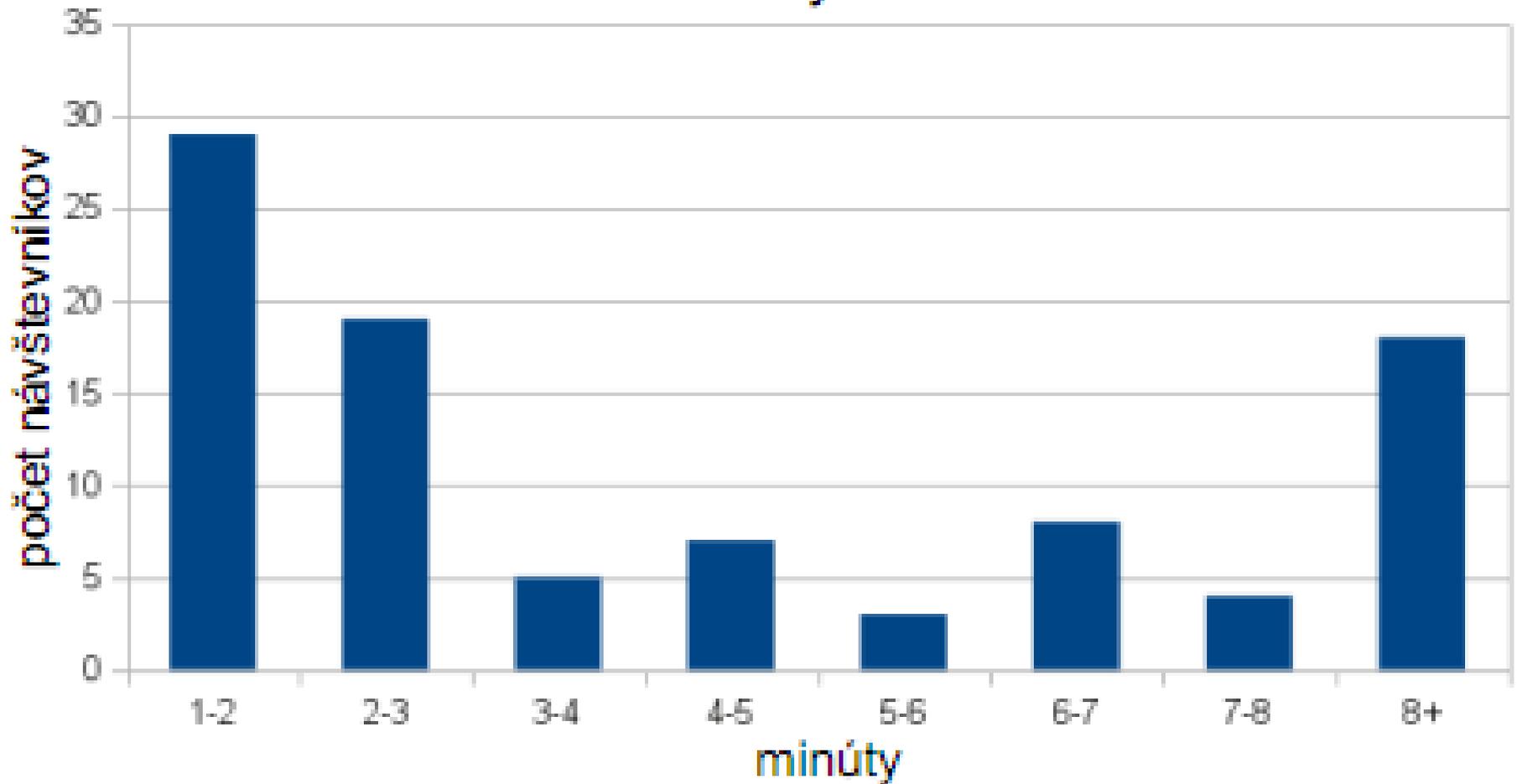
Extension Activations

Visiting Panoramas

Celkový čas

Priemerný čas a počet rozšírení

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mapa prehliadky

Preferred Story

z východzieho bodu

ku koncovému bodu
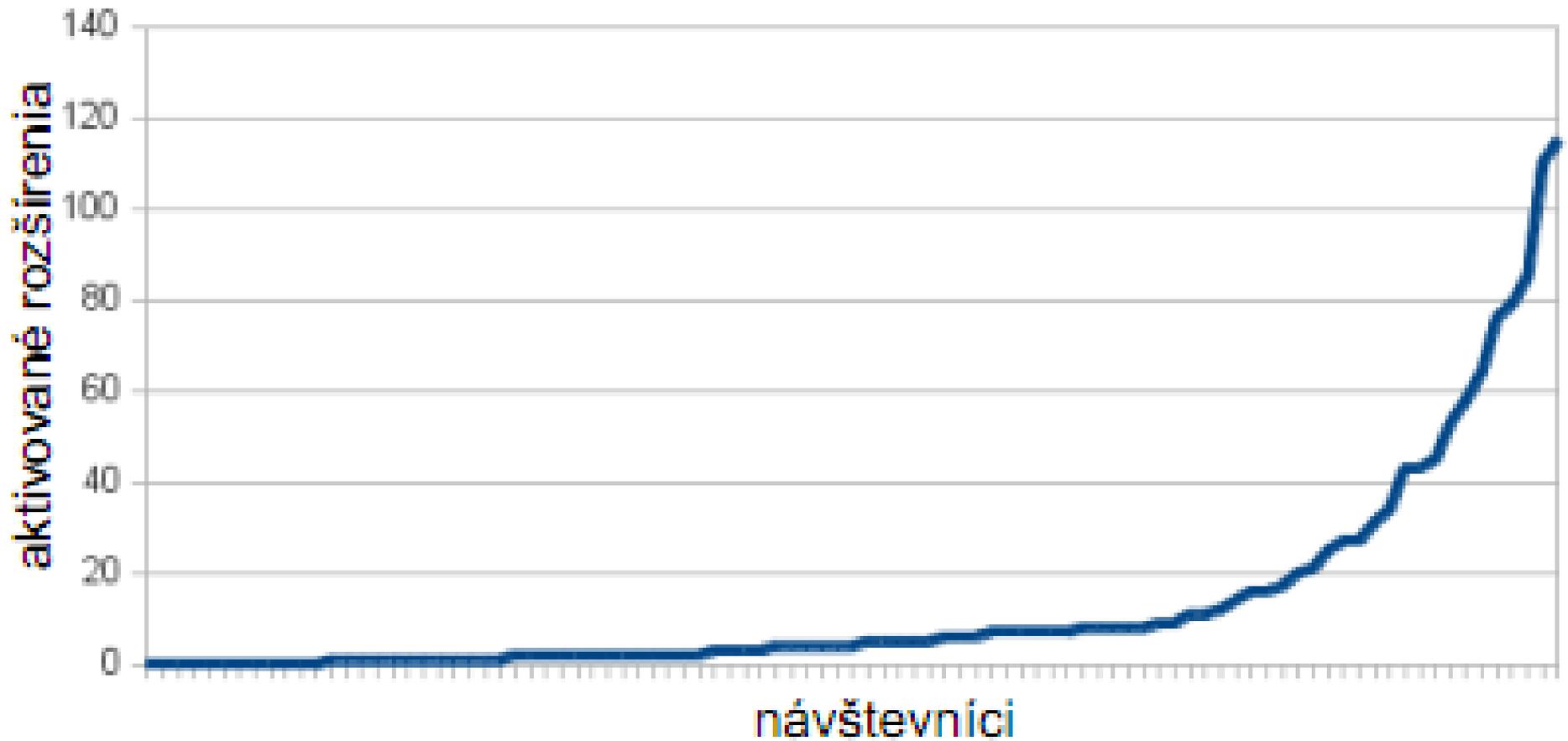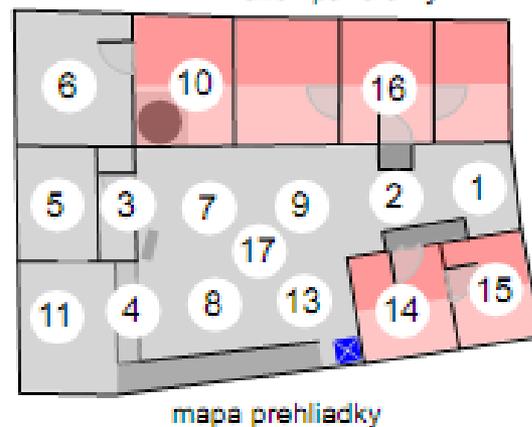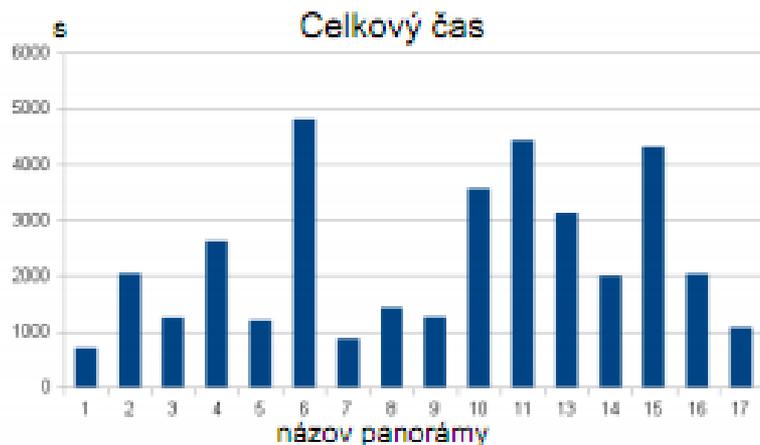
Winning Activations

3D Model & Spheric PanoViews
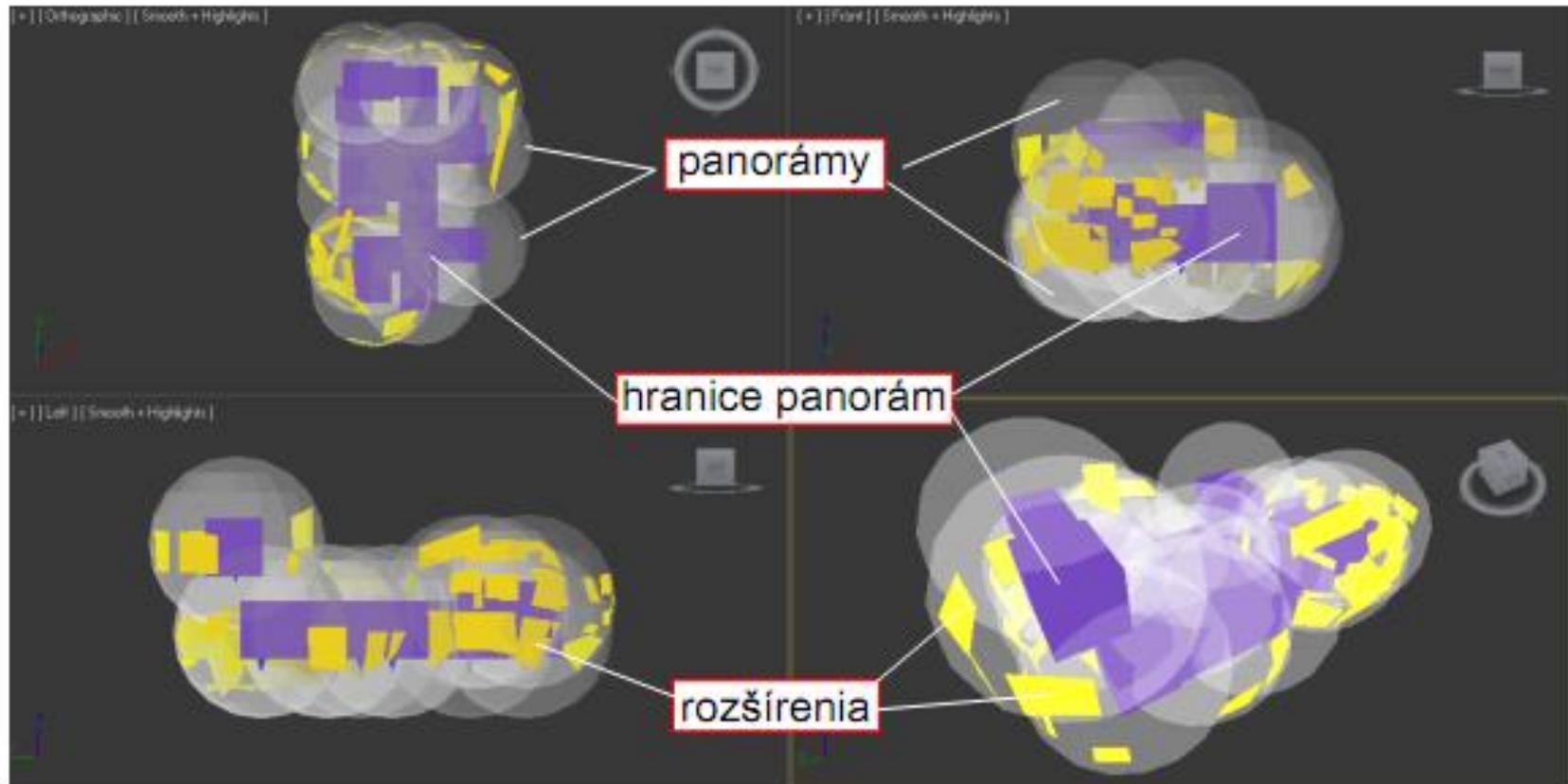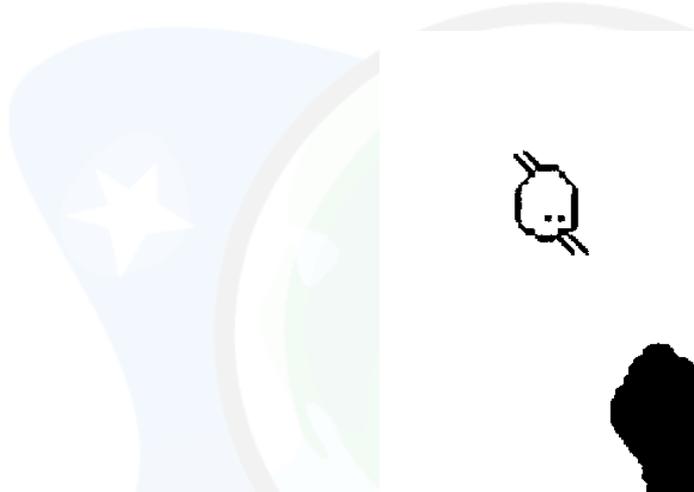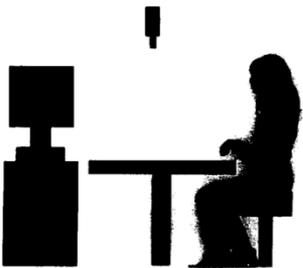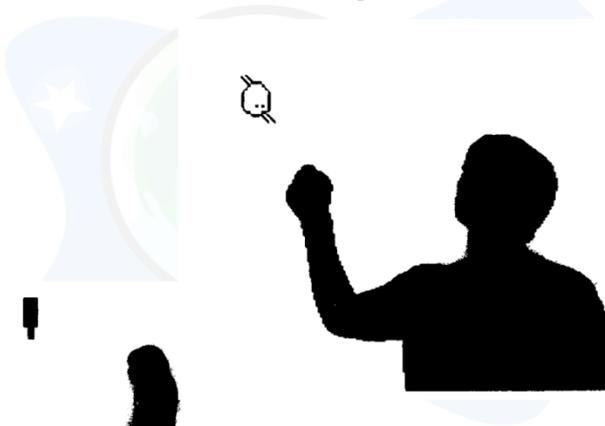
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Conclusions

- **Virtual time is controlled by the author (materialist, idealist, or phenomenology)**

- **Our cultural capital static/dynamic**

- **Our goal – to maximize**

- **Old media – directing, new media have virtual time and real interestingness (metaprograms, the first measures based on behavior)**

- **The only true property we have is the time of our lives**

Thank You
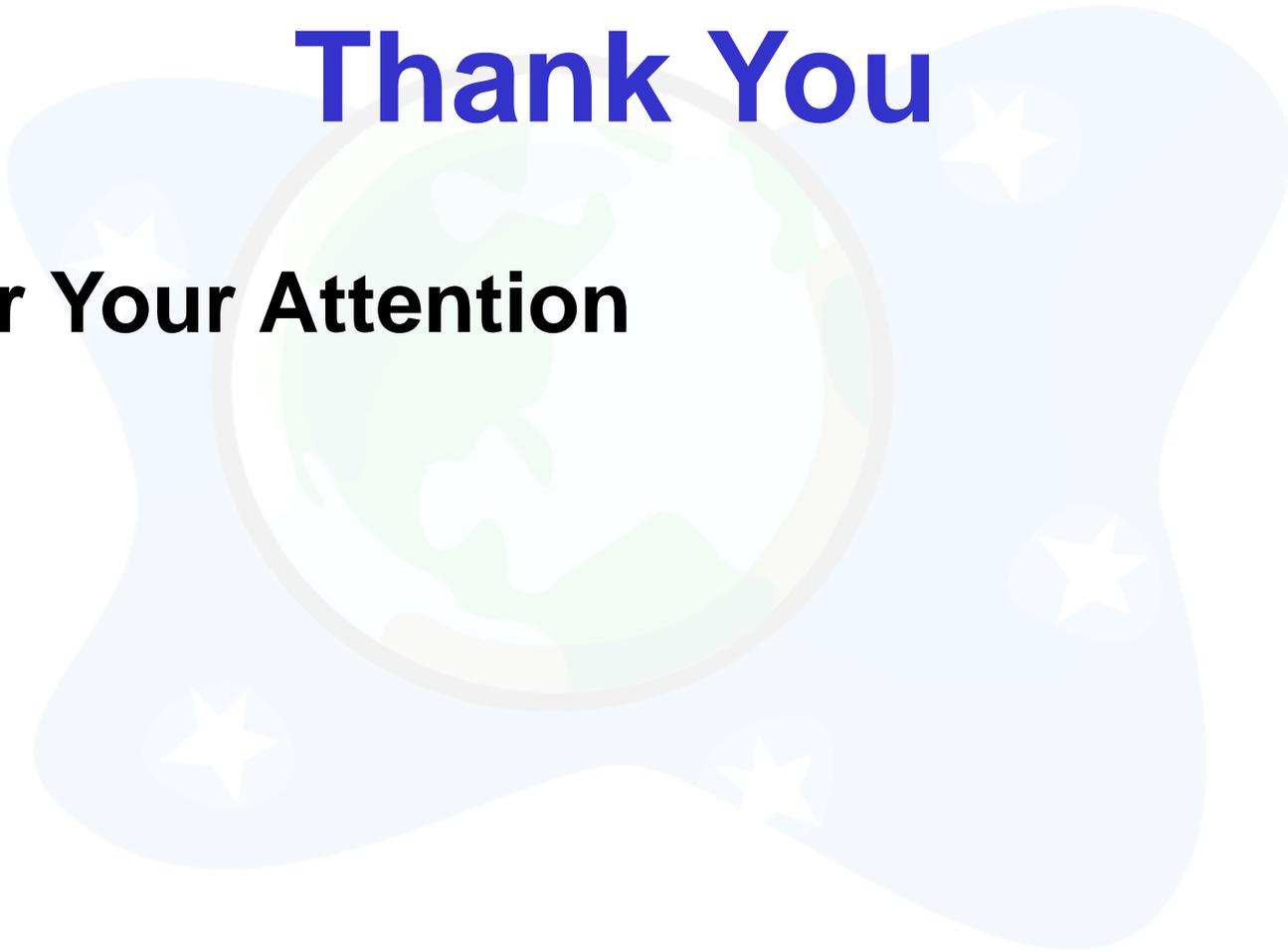
- **For Your Attention**

... and Time

- **... and Time**

Local and Global Interestingness in Virtual Time

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