



A Super Cockpit for the Metaverse

...an essential interface for the Metaverse

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Before 'Virtual Reality': My job...



Bandwidth to the brain?

F-16 One Operator for 50 Computers





Solution: Spatial Cockpit

Helmet-Mounted Display (1967)

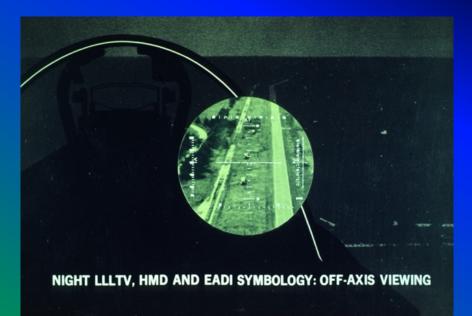


Helmet-Mounted Sight (1969)



Visually-Coupled System 1971



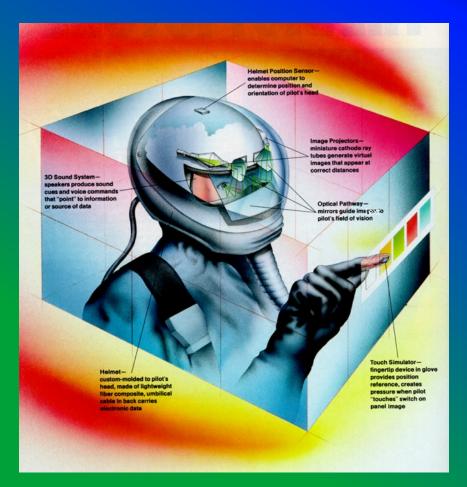


Seeing through the cockpit





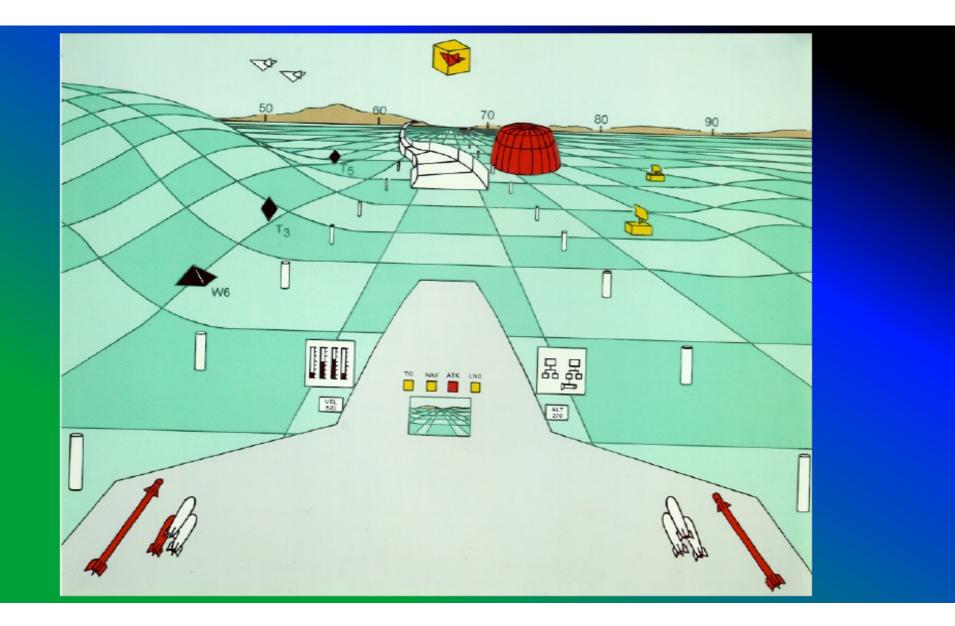
Paradigm Shift: Super Cockpit Concept



Furness Super Cockpit 1986





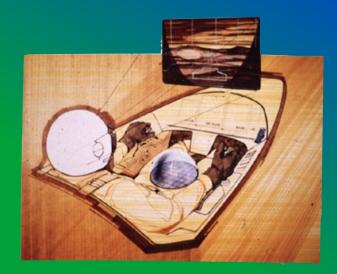




Visually-Coupled Airborne Systems Simulator 1981

Super Cockpit

Egocentric vs. Exocentric views





God Eye's View



'Darth Vader' Simulator 1981

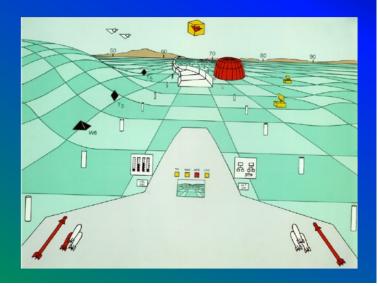
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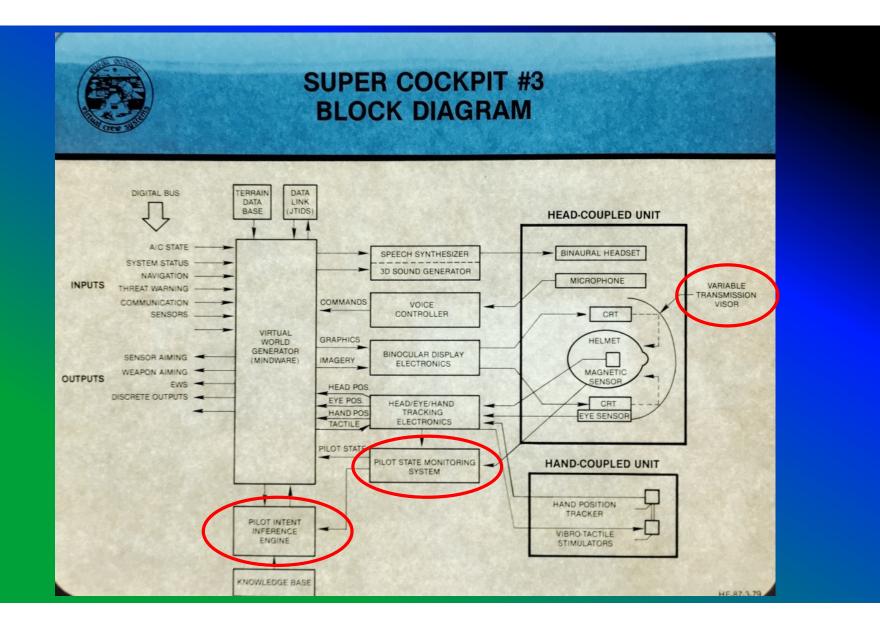




R2D2

Virtual Cockpit





Lessons learned.....Super Cockpit

- Rapid assimilation of information
- Awaken spatial memory
- Never forget
- High bandwidth to the brain
- Immersion & 3D interactivity created Presence
- Applications way beyond military
- AR MR VR combined
- Flirting with Al

Swords into Plowshares

1989



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Personal Eyewear Display

United States Patent [19] Furness et al.

[54] DISPLAY SYSTEM FOR A HEAD MOUNTED

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ABSTRACT

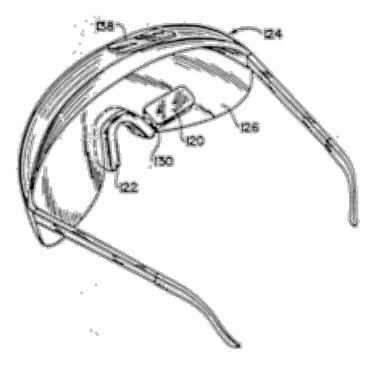
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A display system for conventional eyewear having a transparency that defines a field of view and a frame for supporting the transparency on a user's head is shown. The display system includes a light transmissive display mounted on the frame of the eyewear and optics for collimating light to project an image of the displayed information at a distance from the user in the periphery of the field of view defined by the transparency. The optics may include a single mirror that receives the information directly from the display wherein the mirror is toroidal or the like so as to project an enlarged image at an apparent optical distance from the user that is greater than the actual optical path. Alternatively, a planar mirror may be employed with a collimating lens to project the image at a desired distance from the user. The mirror may be fully reflective or partially reflective so as to superimpose the image of the displayed information on the scene viewed by the user through the transparency of the eyewear. Further, means are provided for automatically adjusting the optical path defined by the relative position of the mirror, the display and the user's eye to accommodate heads of various \$225.

94 Claims, 10 Drawing Sheets



Furness Patent (1992)



Personal Virtual Display

Product

Interface

Display



Eye-multiplexed display



Paradigm Shift: started the rush

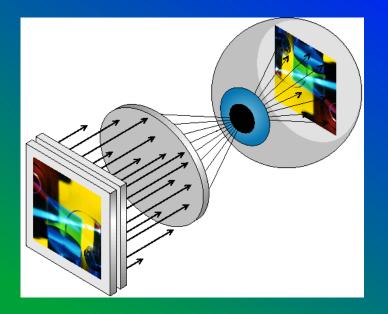


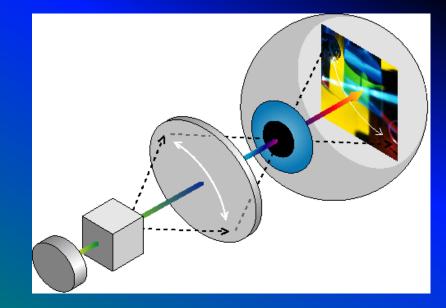
1997 to 2014





Flat Panel vs. Virtual Retina Displays







Virtual Retinal Display One Pixel



Retinal Light Scanning



Virtual Retinal Display Optical Bench ~ 1994

HIT Lab Lessons Learned (1989 – 2015)

- Generated 300 patents
- Proved the efficacy of XR in medicine, education, design
- Spun Off 27 companies (two traded on NASDAQ Mkt Cap \$10B)
- Educated initial workforce (1000+ graduates)
- Realized a need for a non-profit to guide XR development for humanitarian applications
 - A Peace Corps of XR
 - A National Geographic Society of the mind

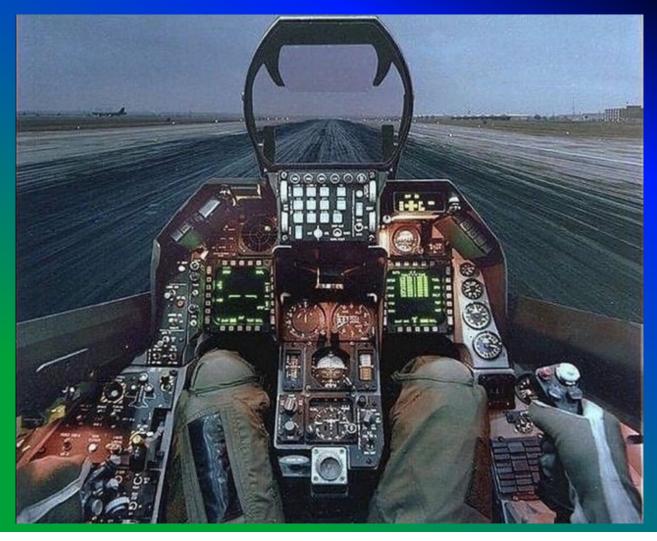


...to create a better reality for everyone

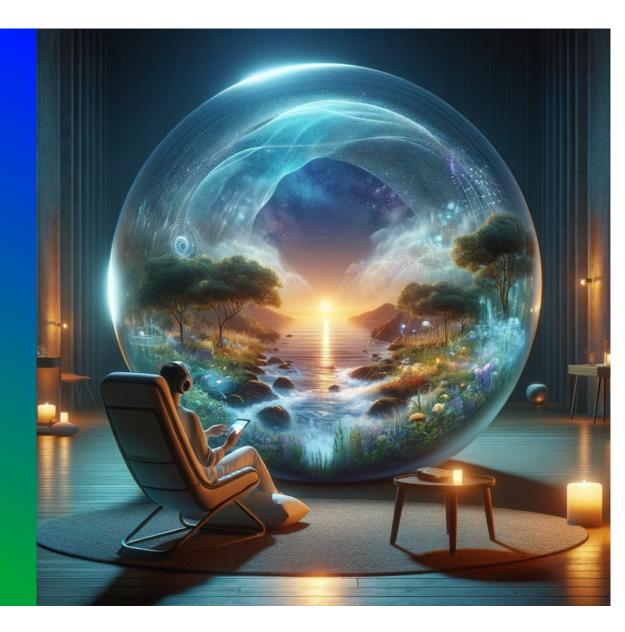
But what about the Metaverse



Reminds me of this...



We need a new *Super Cockpit* for the future of mankind!



Two aspects of a super cockpit

- Outward facing = Super Cockpit for the Metaverse
 - Exploration
 - Navigating
 - Knowledge building
 - Adaptation
 - Intent driven
- Inward facing = Super Cockpit for the Mind/Body
 - Health & well being of pilot
 - Expanding motor, sensory, cognitive, emotional, memory spiritual components
 - Grokking
 - How to behold
 - Becoming a transcendent being

Transcendence?

 Transcendence is the process of surpassing ordinary limits, rising above self-centered concerns to achieve a higher state of awareness, understanding, or being. It involves reaching beyond personal, physical, or material existence to connect with something greater, such as universal truths, spiritual enlightenment, or a deeper sense of purpose, often in service to humanity.

SCM Technologies

- Pilot Intent Inference Engine
- Pilot State Monitoring System
- R2D2
- Inconspicuous Displays
- Whole body haptics
- Personal panoramic display workstation
- SCM Operating System

- Omniscient Response Ball
- Flow State Generator
- Mind Bubble Tracker
- Human Energy Management Display
- Breath map
- Kinesthetic ergometer



End goal – take the headset off

- The metaverse is a means to and end...not the end itself.
- How are we changed having been in metaverse
 - Enlighted, Lifted, Empowered, Grateful, Full of love for life and our fellow citizens
- We are working to create virtual worlds to make us <u>and</u> our journey better in the real world
- We want to free and educate the human spirit.
- The goal end is *transcendence*.



Call to action

- Join the Virtual World Society
 - (www.virtualworldsociety.org)
- Help use build the Super Cockpit
- Come find me and talk to me.
 - (tom@virtualworldsociety.org)
- Make a significant financial contribution
- Check out the Charity auction on Thursday evening
- Join us to work on HomeSpark and the Super Cockpit projects or on the Science and Ethics Council.





Thanks

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