**REALITY CHECK** 

# Consumer Perceptions of Augmented and Virtual Reality

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### The world's largest ongoing study on digital consumer



22 Million Online Panel Members



45 Markets & 430k+ Surveys a Year



Representative of 2 Billion Internet Users



Quarterly Data Collection



Immediate Release



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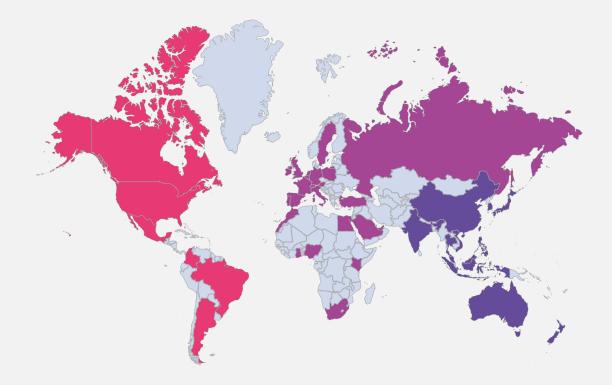


35,000 Profiling Data Points



Custom Capabilities

#### 430,000+ surveys a year in 45 markets



#### **AMERICAS**

Argentina · Brazil · Canada Mexico · USA

#### **EMEA**

Belgium · Egypt · France Ghana · Germany · Ireland Ireland · Italy · Kenya Morocco · Netherlands Nigeria · Poland · Portugal Russia · Saudi Arabia South Africa · Spain Sweden · Turkey · UAE · UK

#### APAC

Australia · China · Hong Kong India · Indonesia · Japan New Zealand · Malaysia Philippines · Singapore South Korea · Taiwan Thailand · Vietnam

#### **AR and VR** 'fantasies' are at least 83 years old

# PYGMALION'S Spectacles

### By STANLEY G. WEINBAUM

Author of "The Black Flame," "A Martian Odyssey," etc.

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Unbelieving, still gripping the some of that unseen chair, Don was staring at a forest

## We are social animals...

#### Daily Time Spent on Social Media:

**GLOBAL AVERAGE** 



## Social and visual

92% of human communication is non-verbal

#### Daily Time Spent on PC vs. Mobile:

**GLOBAL AVERAGE** 



66 We are in the early stages of a tremendous platform shift, bigger than the shift from web to mobile. It's a shift in how humans will connect.

Andrew Bosworth - Facebook - VP of AR/VR











## Microsoft's AltspaceVR lets you build a virtual hangout

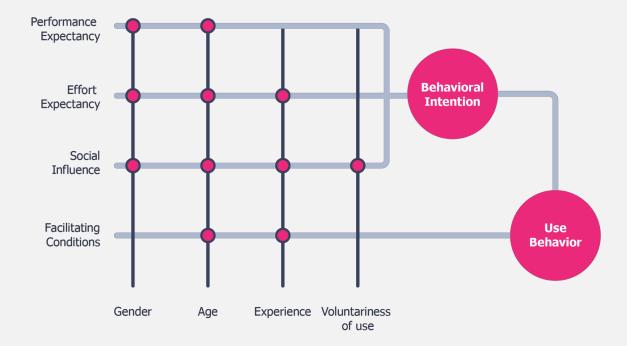
Do your own 3D and sound design and teleport to your friends' spaces.

### Facebook updated its VR avatars to look more 'lifelike'

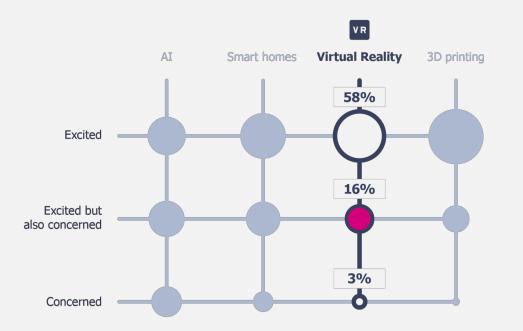
Facebook Spaces is getting more detailed versions of our virtual selves



#### Moving parts of tech adoption



# Fear of the unknown ... UNSEEN ... UNTRIED ... UNUSED?



### Across the Facebook family of apps alone, one billion stories are shared every day.







#### **Embedded in our lives**



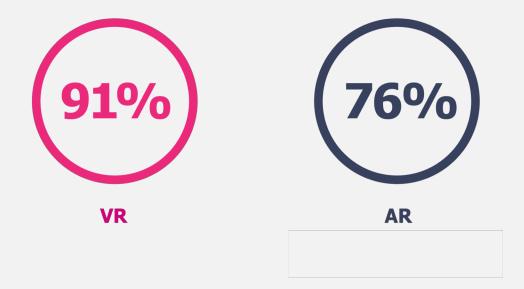
### Used AR without knowing what it is

Around 15% confused AR for VR



### AR: Still something of an unknown despite usage

% who have heard of the following



#### Awareness and affluence connection

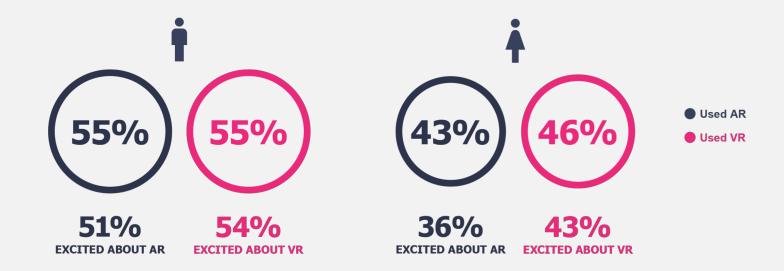
% in respective income brackets who have used the following technologies



Question: Had you heard of augmented reality/virtual reality before? // Yes, and I have used it / No, I didn't know that is what's called but I have used it Source: GlobalWebIndex January 2019 Base: 1,254 internet users in the UK/U.S. aged 16-64

# **Inspiration in practice**

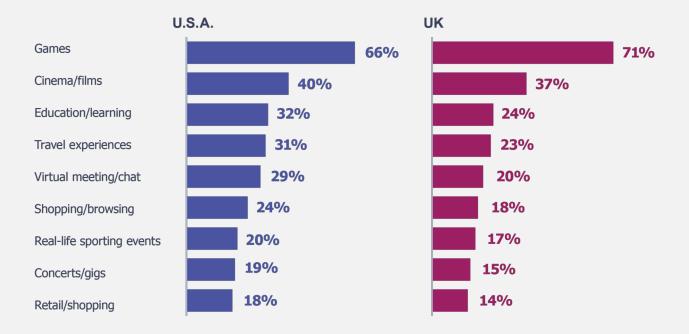
#### Anticipation and usage grow concurrently



Question: Had you heard of augmented reality/virtual reality before? // Which of the below summarise your thoughts about AR/VR? Source: GlobalWebIndex January 2019 Base: 2,672 internet users in the UK/U.S. aged 16-64

#### VR use cases match, adoption fat tails in the U.S.

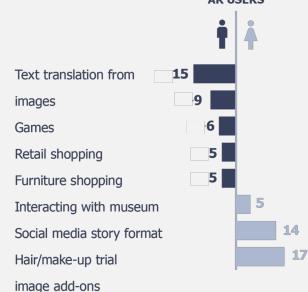
% of VR Users who have used the following VR applications



Question: Thinking of virtual reality, which of the below have you used that utilises this technology? Source: GlobalWebIndex January 2019 Base: 1.254 internet users in the UK/U.S. aged 16-64

#### Utility and entertainment vs self expression



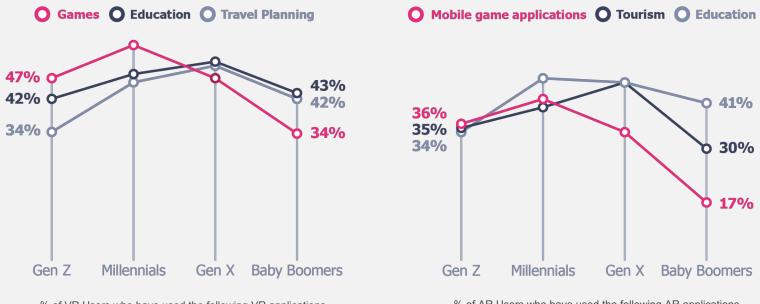


**AR USERS** 

Question: Thinking of virtual reality, which of the below have you used that utilises this technology? Source: GlobalWebIndex January 2019 Base: 1,254/1,313 internet users aged 16-64

## Non-linear value exchange

#### 'Niche' purpose will help reach beyond early adopters



% of VR Users who have used the following VR applications

% of AR Users who have used the following AR applications

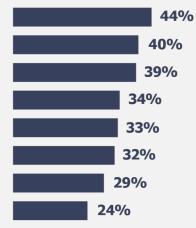
Question: Thinking of virtual and augmented reality, which of the below have you used that utilises this technology? Source: GlobalWebIndex January 2019 Base: 1,254/1,313 internet users aged 16-64

#### 'Real-istic' and 'self-ish' expectations

#### AR beginning to fuel appetite

#### VR has a tough task at hand

Interacting from home Arts/making art Trialing products at home Mobile game applications Image/visual enhancements Films/cinema/theatre Tourism Education/learning





# **Stretching imagination**



Only 1 in 5 is apprehensive about AR or VR technology...

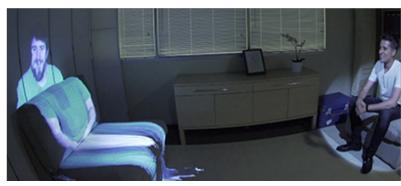
### Follow consumer's self

Determine your stance beyond entertainment or gimmicks, be one step ahead of the hype.

Consumer experience deal-makers:

- Educate
- Enhance
- Immerse
- Extend









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