#### 3D Interaction

#### ISIS3D Tutorial @ ITS 2013, St Andrews

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#### On-Surface Interaction

iotracker stereo camera rig

[x y z]

rigid-body target

- Touch
- Stylus/pen
- Mouse
  - HCI: pen  $\approx$  mouse  $\approx$  touch
- 3D tracker

#### Off-Surface Interaction



- 3D tracker
- Finger/body tracking
  - Kinect
  - Leap Motion



Issue: how to "click"



## Basic 3D UI Operations

- Selection, Movement, Rotation, Navigation
- Input
  - 2D
  - 3D
  - More DOF



#### **3D** Selection

- Either 2D or 3D input
- Visible targets only
  - 2D input sufficient
- Compare 2D and 3D
  - Fitts' law
  - ISO 9241-9, effective throughput





## On vs. Off-Surface Pointing

Fishtank VR







#### Results

• PR=Ray, PT=Touch, FC=Mouse at top, SC=Sliding



[Teather, et al. 3DUI11]

### 2D vs. 3D Touch





[Bruder, et al. SUI 2013]

## Un-Instrumented In-Air Pointing

- LeapMotion @ I20Hz
- 2D targets
- Key for selection



- ~2.9 bps for LeapMotion, ~4 bps for mouse (preliminary)
  - For hand or finger movements

[Currently submitted]

## 3D Selection Insights

- In-air hitting of small targets difficult
  - Precision much better in 2D
- Latency is bad
- How to select?



- Click (best), Touch-through, Gesture (unreliable), ...
- Stereo may decrease performance

## 3D Movement

- Fundamental: floating objects or not?
- If no, use 2D input with sliding
  - Dragging ≈ selection
  - Most efficient solution
- If yes, either 3D input or mappings



Triangle Cursor

### 3D Rotation



- Free rotations require 3D input
  - Touch with modes ("gestures")
  - In-air movement



Constrained rotation needs fewer DOF



## 3D Navigation

- Travel, look, orbit
  - Need 4 DOF or more
    - Touch modes
    - In air movements
    - Bi-manual



# 3D Editing

- Many operations, including animation
  - Touch modes
  - In air movements only for some operations
  - Bi-manual
  - Menus
- Biggest constraint: Precision only on surface





#### Combination of 2D & 3D

- With 3D trackers in HMDs
- With pens on tablets
- Touch on table





#### Mockup Builder

Mockup Builder: Direct 3D Modeling On and Above the Surface in a Continuous Interaction Space

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# Other 3D UI Components

- Selection of colors, textures, materials, objects, ...
  - Large scale selection, like desktop
- Text entry
  - On-screen keyboard
- System control
  - Menus or commands

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Tab A S D F G H J K L ; '	Enter
Shift Z X C V B N M , . / \	Shift
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# My Thoughts on ISIS 3D Uls

- Performance matters
- Precision matters
- Constraints simplify
- Reliability matters

• All improve user satisfaction!

