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Experiment No.2

Demonstration of the working of HTC Vive, Google Cardboard, Google Daydream and Samsung gear VR

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AIM:

The aim of this demonstration is to showcase the working and capabilities of four distinct VR platforms: HTC Vive, Google Cardboard, Google Daydream, and Samsung Gear VR. This demonstration will provide an overview of the hardware, software, and user experience offered by each platform.

OBJECTIVES:

- Familiarization: Introduce participants to the key components and features of HTC Vive, Google Cardboard, Google Daydream, and Samsung Gear VR.
- Hardware Setup: Demonstrate how to set up each VR platform, including connecting sensors, headsets, and controllers (where applicable).
- Software Navigation: Show participants how to access and navigate the VR environments and apps specific to each platform.
- Interaction and Controls: Explain how users interact with the virtual world, including controllers, gestures, and gaze-based interactions.
- Content Showcase: Display a selection of VR content, games, or experiences available on each platform to highlight their unique offerings.
- Performance: Discuss the performance capabilities of each platform, emphasizing graphics quality, responsiveness, and tracking precision.
- Comfort and Ergonomics: Evaluate the comfort and ergonomics of the headsets, considering factors like weight, fit, and adjustability.
- Comparison: Provide a comparative analysis of the strengths and weaknesses of each VR platform in terms of immersion, accessibility, and content library.

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THEORY:

Each of the mentioned VR platforms offers a distinct approach to virtual reality:

• HTC Vive: HTC Vive is a high-end VR system known for its room-scale tracking and precise motion controllers. It provides an immersive experience with a wide field of view and excellent tracking capabilities.



• Google Cardboard: Google Cardboard is an accessible and affordable VR option that relies on a smartphone for rendering. It offers a basic VR experience with limited interactivity, making it an entry-level option for VR exploration.



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• Google Daydream: Google Daydream is a mobile VR platform that offers a more advanced and comfortable VR experience than Cardboard. It features a dedicated headset and controller, enhancing interactivity and content quality.



• Samsung Gear VR: Samsung Gear VR is another mobile VR platform that pairs with compatible Samsung smartphones. It provides a comfortable and user-friendly VR experience with a wide range of apps and games.



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CONCLUSION:

In conclusion, this demonstration serves as an informative exploration of four diverse VR platforms. HTC Vive excels in providing high-fidelity, immersive experiences, particularly for gaming and interactive simulations. Google Cardboard offers a cost-effective introduction to VR, while Google Daydream enhances the experience with better hardware and interaction options. Samsung Gear VR, designed for Samsung smartphone users, balances comfort and usability for a wide range of VR applications. Understanding the unique features and capabilities of each platform helps users choose the VR experience that best aligns with their preferences and requirements.