# VR and AR

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### Stereoscope

- The stereoscope was made in 1838
- It used two pictures placed a short distance from the lens and these two pictures were designed to mimic the way our eyes create depth
- Later in 1849 the lenticular stereoscope was created
- Very similar but was in a box which helped make it more effective







#### View-Master

- In 1939 the View-Master was made
- Similar to the lenticular stereoscope
- Used a reel of images you could rotate through and show you different scenes

## Flight simulator

- In 1929 the first flight simulator was made
- No screen
- Instead used only mechanical parts to simulate movement.



#### Sensorama

- In 1950 a filmmaker developed the Sensorama
- Was designed to stimulate all your senses while it played one of six different short films he made for it.

#### Head Mounted

- In 1960 the first head mounted display was made
  - Was called the Telesphere mask
- Was only video
- Later added motion tracking
  - Was often used for military training





#### AR

- First AR was made in 1968
  - Was called the Sword of Damocles
- Used a computer rather than a camera

## Growth of VR

- In 1987 the term Virtual reality was made
- Many companies wanted to try it out
  - Many arcade machines
  - Home consoles
    - Sega's didn't get off the ground
    - Nintendo's flopped





#### Medical

- As the technology has improved it has been used in medical applications
- One example is therapy
  - Most notably for helping to combat fear
- More recently it has been being used for doing simulations of surgeries

## Gaming

- What most people think of with VR
- Has advanced rapidly in the past decade
- A few innovations
  - Omnidirectional treadmills
  - Haptic gloves











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