

Digitalization Tools for Human-centered Intelligence

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Agenda

A perspective, current projects and future work

- Introducing the speaker and AKII Microlab
- AI and VR? What, where, why?
- AI and VR in the digital world
- When AI meets VR for society
- Where are we heading?

Introducing the speaker



PhD in Neuroscience and Autonomous Robotics,
Summa cum Laude

Specialized in designing and implementing
AI and ML system for
real-world problems

Academic Research

Head of Research Lab
AI and VR
As of 2017



Lecturer
As of 2017



Postdoctoral Fellow,
Lecturer
2016-2017



Research Assistant (PhD)
2011-2016



Industry Research

Senior Research Engineer
AI, ML & Big Data
As of 2017



Software Engineer
Automotive
2009-2011



Software Engineer
Automotive
2009-2011



Software Engineer
Embedded Systems
2007-2008



Introducing AKII Microlab



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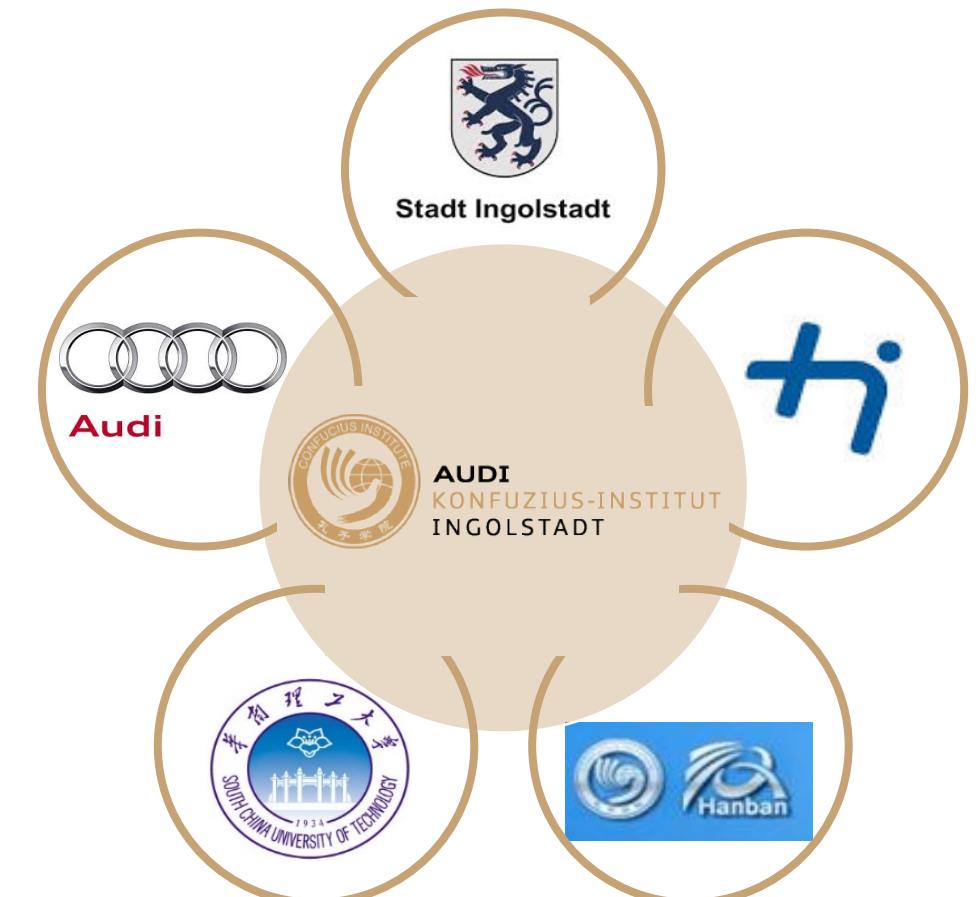
Confucius Institutes in Germany



Audi Konfuzius Institut Ingolstadt (AKII)

Specialization in Technology, Innovation, Management and Sustainability

- Among **19 locations** in Germany, **AKII** is **unique** in its **focus**.
- **AKII** offers the usual **basic Chinese language** and **cultural** programs.
- **AUDI** and the **Local Administration Ingolstadt** are dominant partners bringing a **technological, innovation management** and **sustainability** component to AKII.
- AKII has an **advisory board** from **SCUT** and **THI** as academic components.



AI and VR? What, where, why?

AI and VR? What, where, why?

From the OR ...



... to the grocery store.



From the theater ...

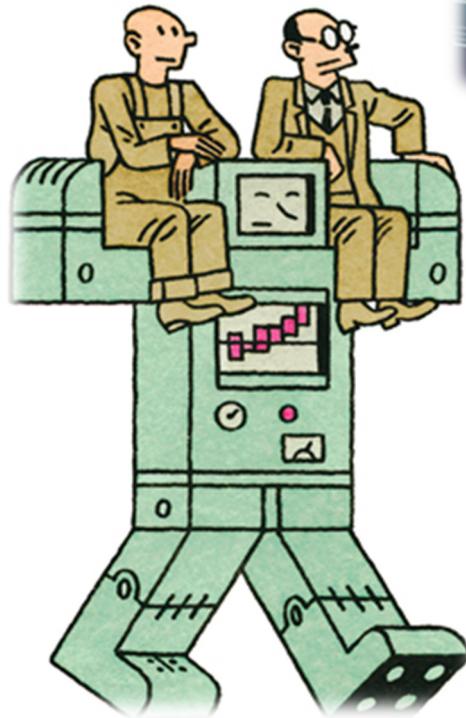


... to the classroom.

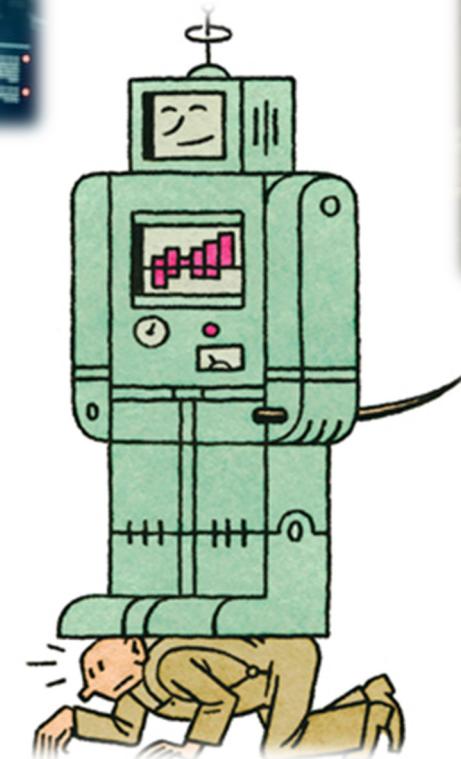


AI and VR? What, where, why?

Toward utopia...



... or dystopia ...

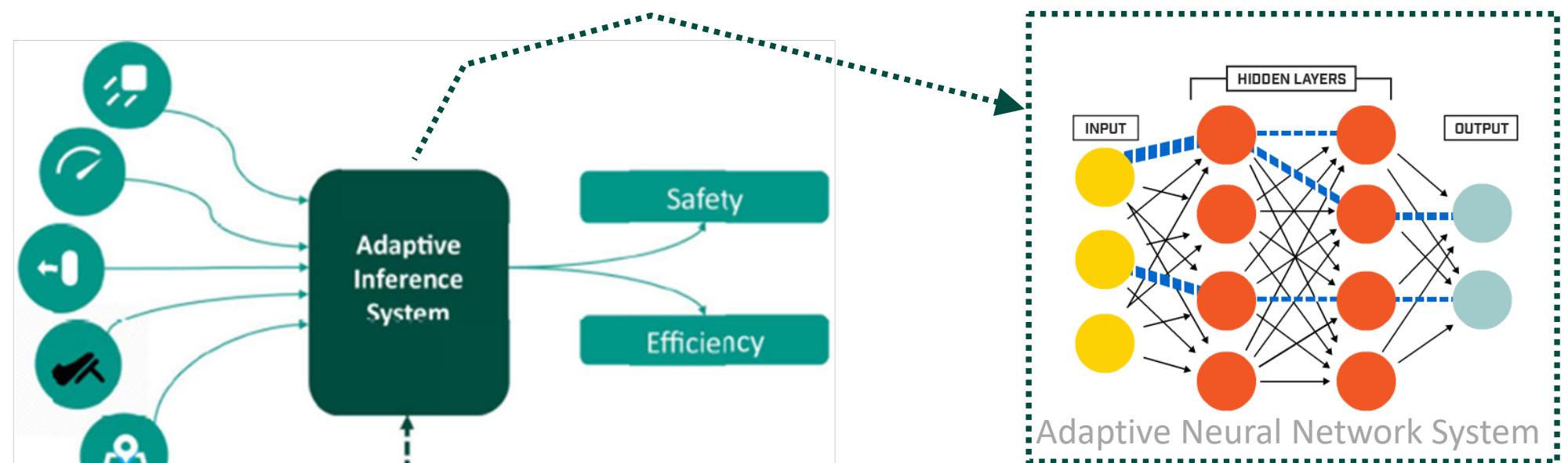


AI in the Digital World

AI in the digital world – Automotive

BMW Automotive Data Hackdays* – Mobility SaaS *(Project completed)*

The Automotive Hackdays are a 5 day coding event where developers, designers, engineers and makers get together to rapidly prototype and iterate new automotive concepts using data gathered from real BMW and MINI cars.



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Center for Innovation and Business Creation at TUM

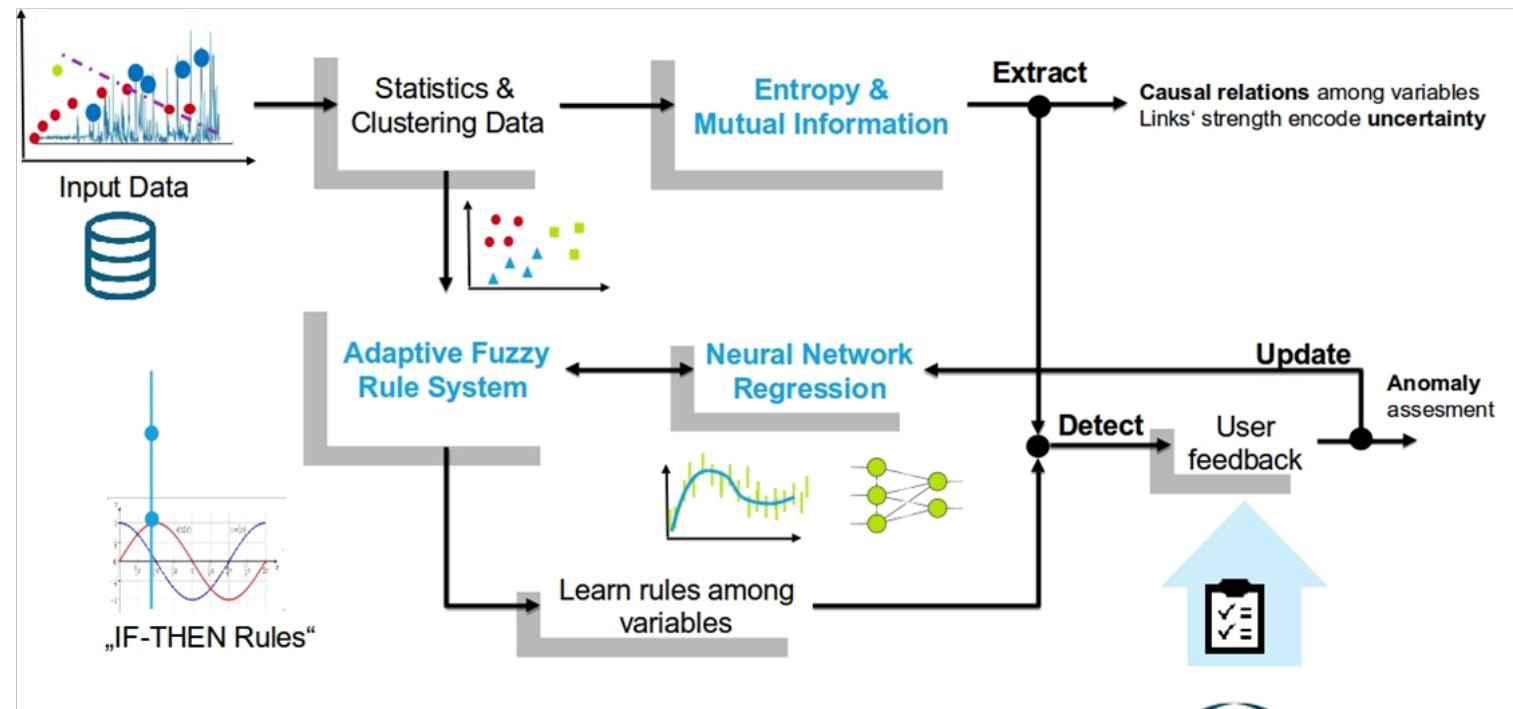


*Awarded 1st prize (5000EUR)

AI in the digital world – Fintech

Daimler Financial Tech Data Hackaton* – Anomaly Detection Agent *(Project completed)*

Develop an AI agent constantly runs through the data (leasing contracts in Sweden) and makes the user aware of potential data inconsistencies, incorporates user's feedback and adapts.



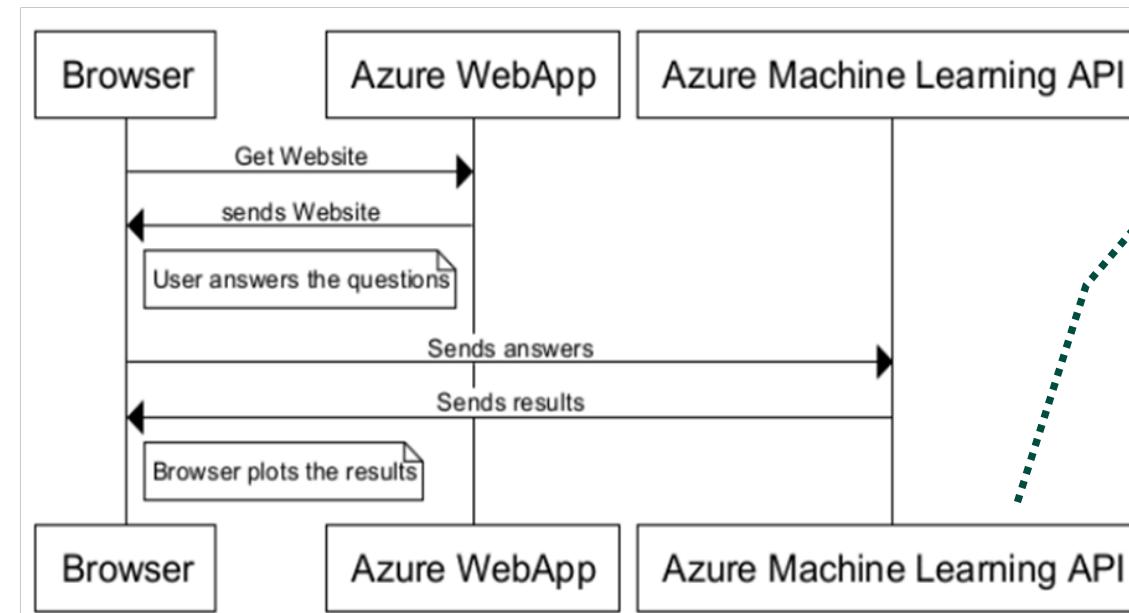
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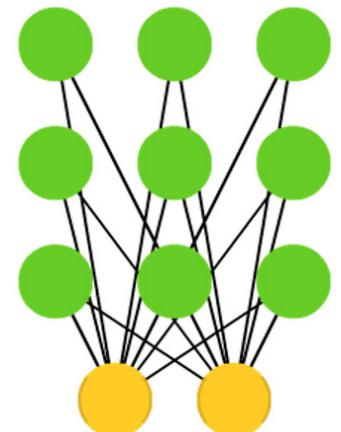
AI in the digital world – HR and Psychology

Burda HR Data Hackaton* – Psychometric Data Mining *(Project completed)*

Using neural networks to learn the complex patterns that exist among and between the responses to items in questionnaires. These could represent crucial aspects of human personality if only they could be made available to human resource professionals.



Self-Organizing
Feature Maps



Hubert Burda Media

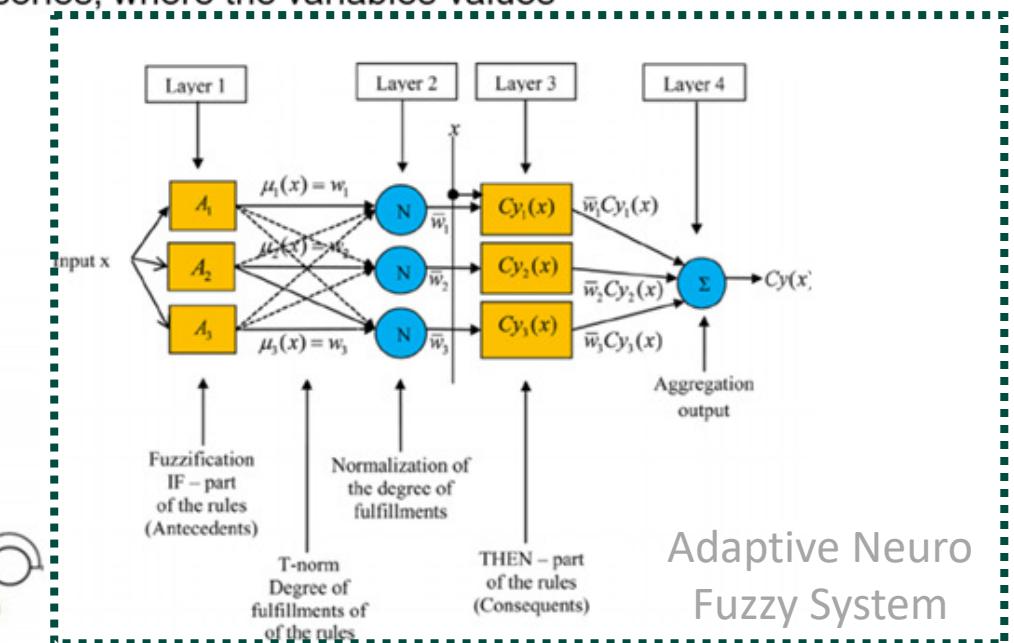
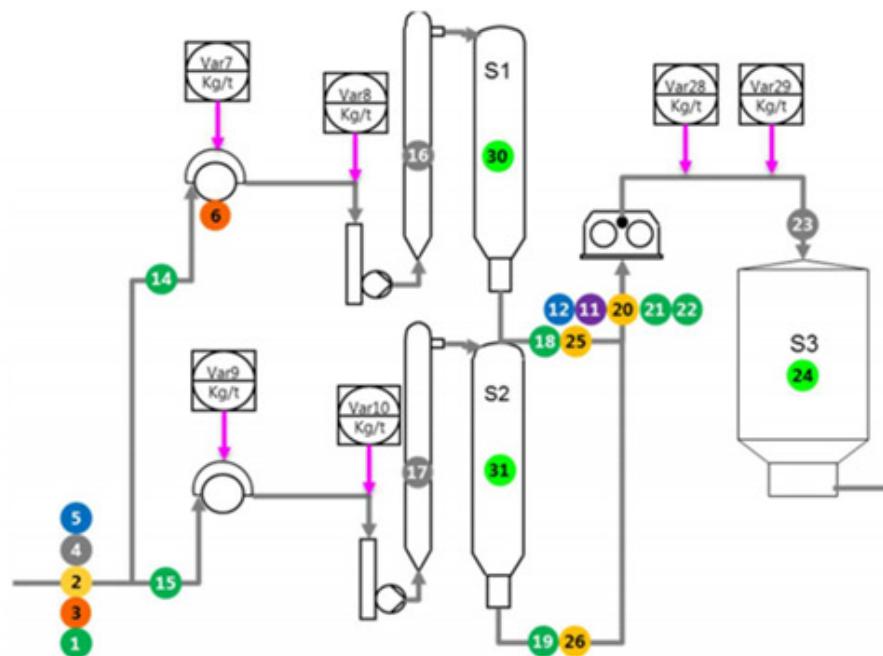
*Awarded Microsoft Cognitive Technologies Prize



AI in the digital world – Industrial Automation

Andritz Big Data Analytics – Industrial Process Optimization *(Project completed)*

The task was to find relationship between alarms, operator actions and process data from some pulp and paper mill. The process data was given as time series, where the variables values always have a timestamp.



Adaptive Neuro Fuzzy System



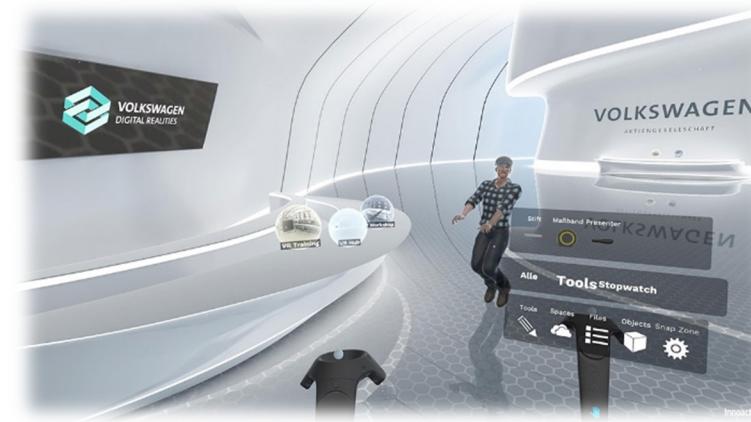
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VR in the Digital World

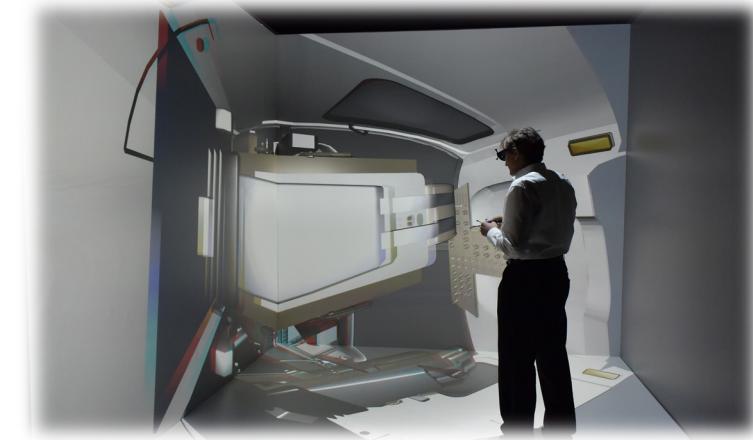
VR in the digital world – Automotive *(Projects completed)*

- Project in Automotive for collaborative VR:

- High-end renderings
- Construction validation
- Virtual installation
- Ergonomics



High-end renderings



Construction validation

- **Latencies** in distributed VR causes **misunderstandings** and **decreases** the **efficiency**
- **Cooperation** with Audi to develop a measurement system to **measure delays** between **distributed** VR systems



Virtual installation for ergonomics

VR in the digital world – Artistic performances and historical projects *(Projects completed)*

- The Futurologische Kongress is an **art and interactive media** event in cooperation with the Theater Ingolstadt
- Over 14.000 people visit the congress and AKII Microlab for an **interactive 3D experience** in the **VR CAVE**



Game playing



High-end renderings



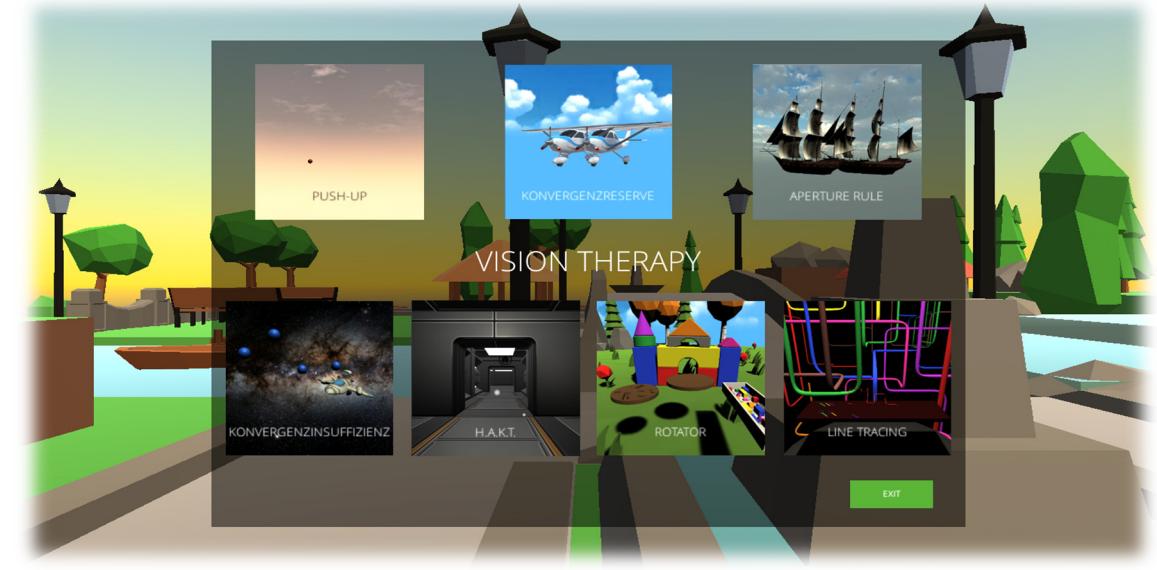
- **Virtual Reconstruction** of the 1875 Ingolstadt Fortress
- Collaboration with public institutions and companies

VR in the digital world – Rehabilitation *(Project completed)*

- Software to treat deficiency in stereopsis – **perceiving depth using our two eyes** using an immersive VR
- Cooperation project and **preliminary tests** with **optometrists** of Brillenburg Ingolstadt



System setup



Software interface and functionality



Stereopsis in human vision

When AI meets VR for society

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Educational Technologies (EdTech)

VIRTOOAIR EDTECH

Virtual Reality TOOLbox for Avatar Intelligent Reconstruction in EDucational TECHnology

- Combine AI and VR
- Augment **teaching methodologies** and **learning techniques**
- Use in **remote** and **online learning**
- Easy adoption



Sample experience: Solar System Lecture



Sample experience: Learning bike riding rules



Immersive Design
Research — Lab



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Physical Rehabilitation Technology

VIRTOOAIR REHABTECH

Virtual Reality TOOLbox for Avatar Intelligent Reconstruction in Rehabilitation Technology

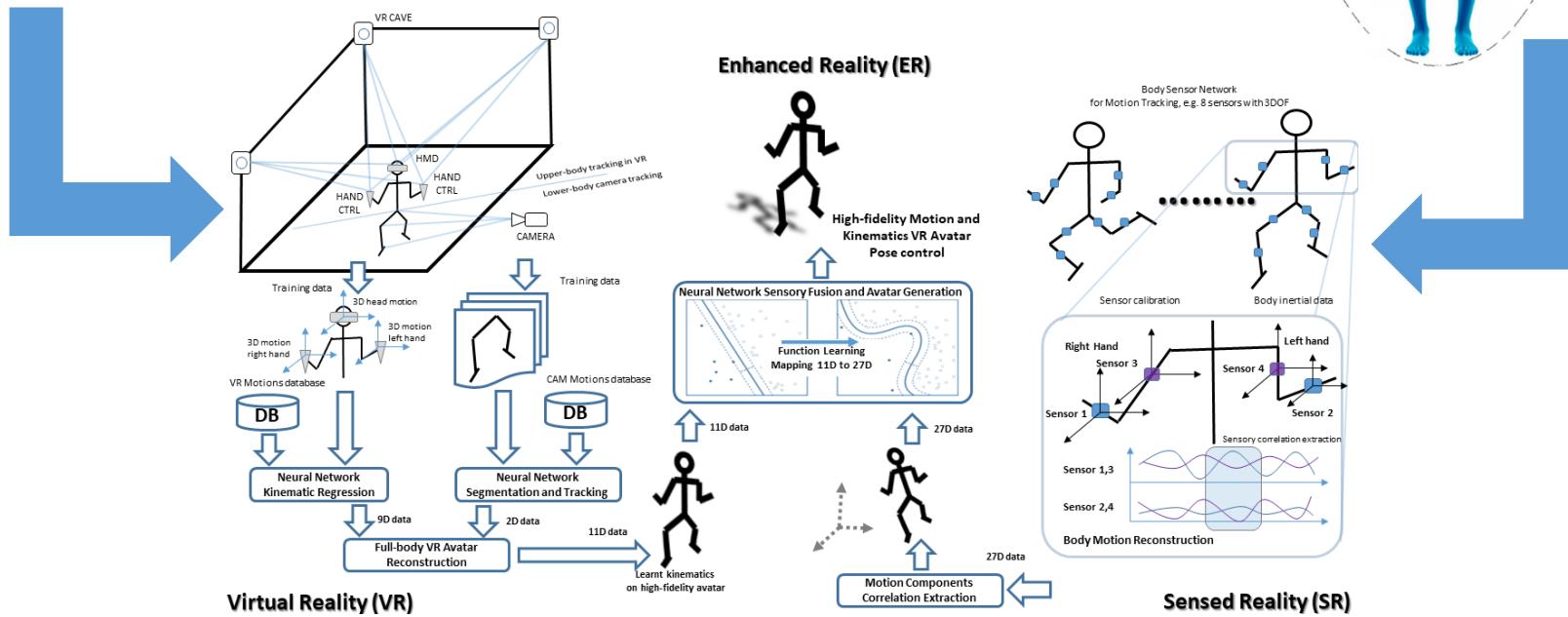


ABB Research Award
in Honor of Hubertus von Gruenberg

Grant application in review

- **MOREPHEUS: MOtor Rehabilitation in an Extended reality Platform using High-fidelity Exercise Understanding and Sensing.**
- **VR and AI for personalized motor rehabilitation and posture control in Parkinson's Disease patients.**

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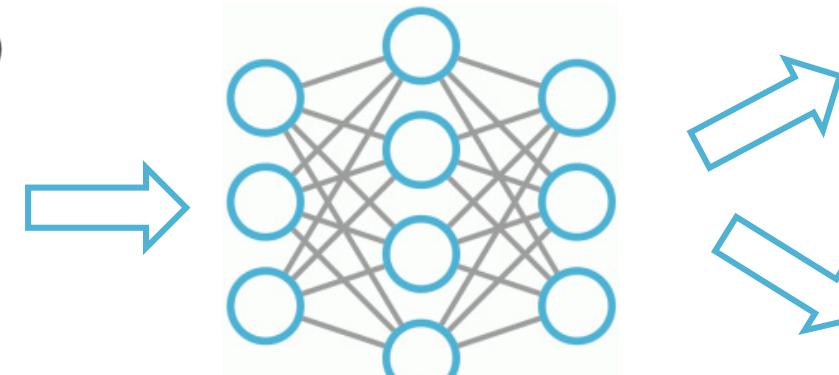
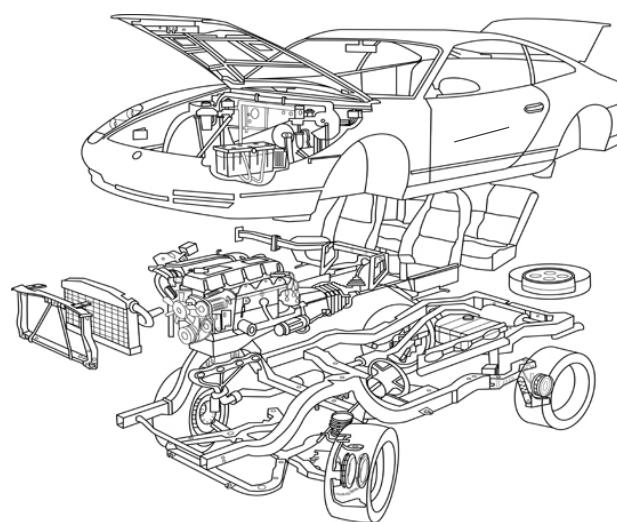
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Automotive Inspection Technology

VIRTOOAIR AUTOTECH

Virtual Reality TOOLbox for Avatar Intelligent Reconstruction in Inspection Technology

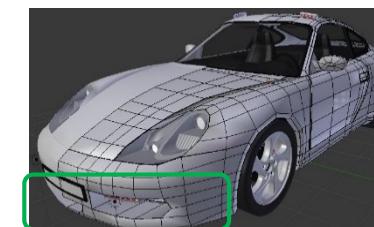
- Automated visualization & AI analysis of car damage / homologation inspection data in VR
 - AI based anomaly / defect (scratch) finding in 360 images of cars
 - Homologation problems



Expllosion diagram of car or 3D pictures



Detected scratch



Detected custom tuning



Planning pilot project

AVANTI: Automated VR visualization and AI uNderstanding of TÜV Inspections

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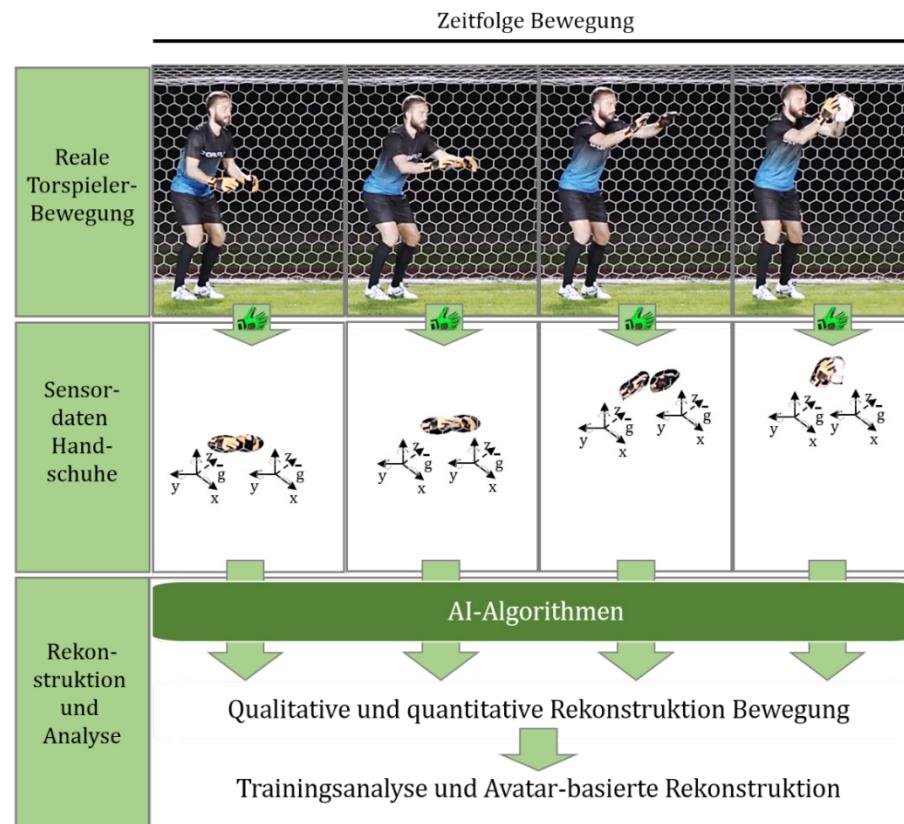
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Rehabilitation Technology

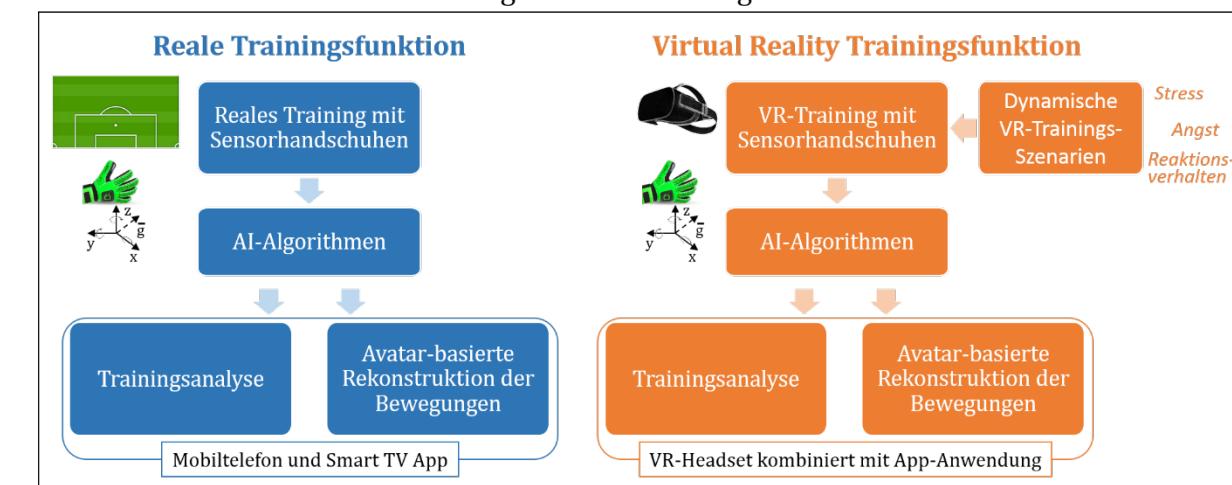
VIRTOOAIR SPORTTECH

Virtual Reality TOOLbox for Avatar Intelligent Reconstruction in Sports Training Technology

- Combine AI and VR Goalkeeper Biomechanical and Psychological Training



AI-gestütztes Trainingstool



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Medical Technologies (MedTech)

VIRTOOAIR MEDTECH

Virtual Reality TOOLbox for Avatar Intelligent Reconstruction in MEDical TECHnology

- **pain management** and **attenuation** after **chemotherapy**
- **VR** to **decrease** the number of **treatment sessions**
- may **reduce** or **eliminate** the need for **pharmaceutics**



Neuropathy caused by taxanes in chemotherapy
healthcaremindxchange.com

Helios Klinikum München West

Akademisches Lehrkrankenhaus der
Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München

Daria Kurz

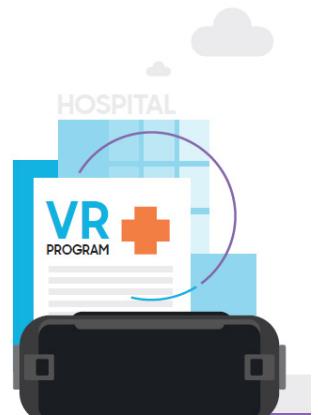
Leitende Oberärztin

Gynäkologisches Krebszentrum



Interdisziplinäres Brustzentrum

Planning collaboration



Easy adoption setup

Where are we heading?

Where are we heading? Pros and Cons of AI and VR

Reasons why healthcare consumers will/will not use an AI-powered virtual doctor



Source: Accenture 2018



Are you ready?

Is your business / service ready for the digital transformation?

- We are still **focused** on **academic research**.
- We continuously **seek new challenges** and **funding options** to **support** our **research**.
- **Support** is always **appreciated**, and we are more than happy to **collaborate** on **new challenges!**

