

Working with Humans

Experiences and comments on conducting
user interaction studies and related activities

Guest contribution

4ME301 Scientific Theories and Methods

Reflection / Experience report (1/2)

Master Thesis

Change your Perspective

Exploration of a 3D Network created with Open Data in
an Immersive Virtual Reality Environment using a Head-
mounted Display and Vision-based Motion Controls

Developed prototype

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Purpose: Investigate

Issue: how to naturally explore and interact with

Object: open data content received from the web

Viewpoint: in an immersive virtual reality environment using a head-mounted display and vision-based motion controls.

Stages of user testing

1. Technical validation of the prototype
2. User interaction study
3. Explorative expert discussion

Technical validation of the prototype

- ensure successful operation without major flaws or crashes
- last chance to apply minor (or major) changes before user interaction study



User interaction study: Impressions

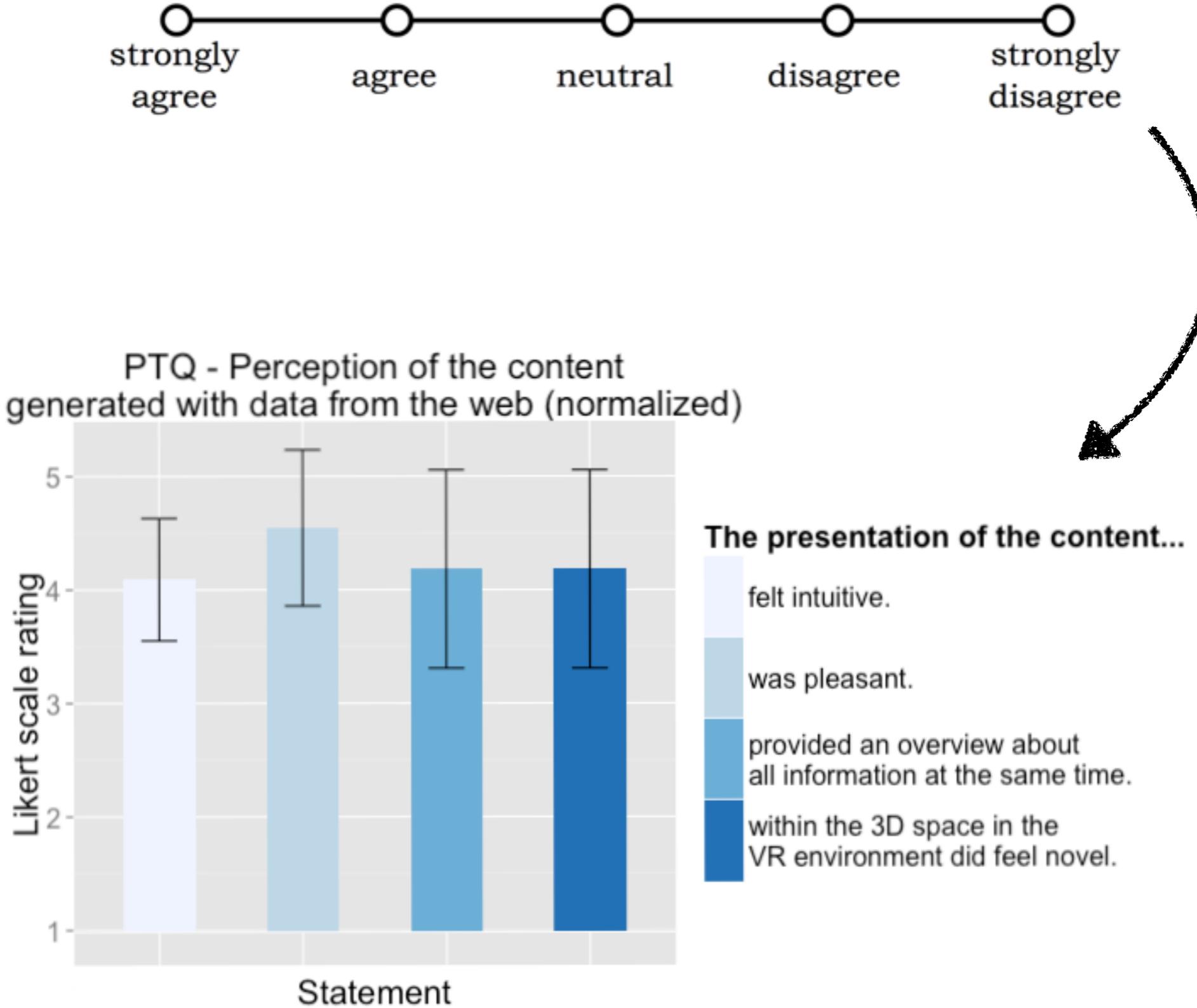
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User interaction study

Data collection:

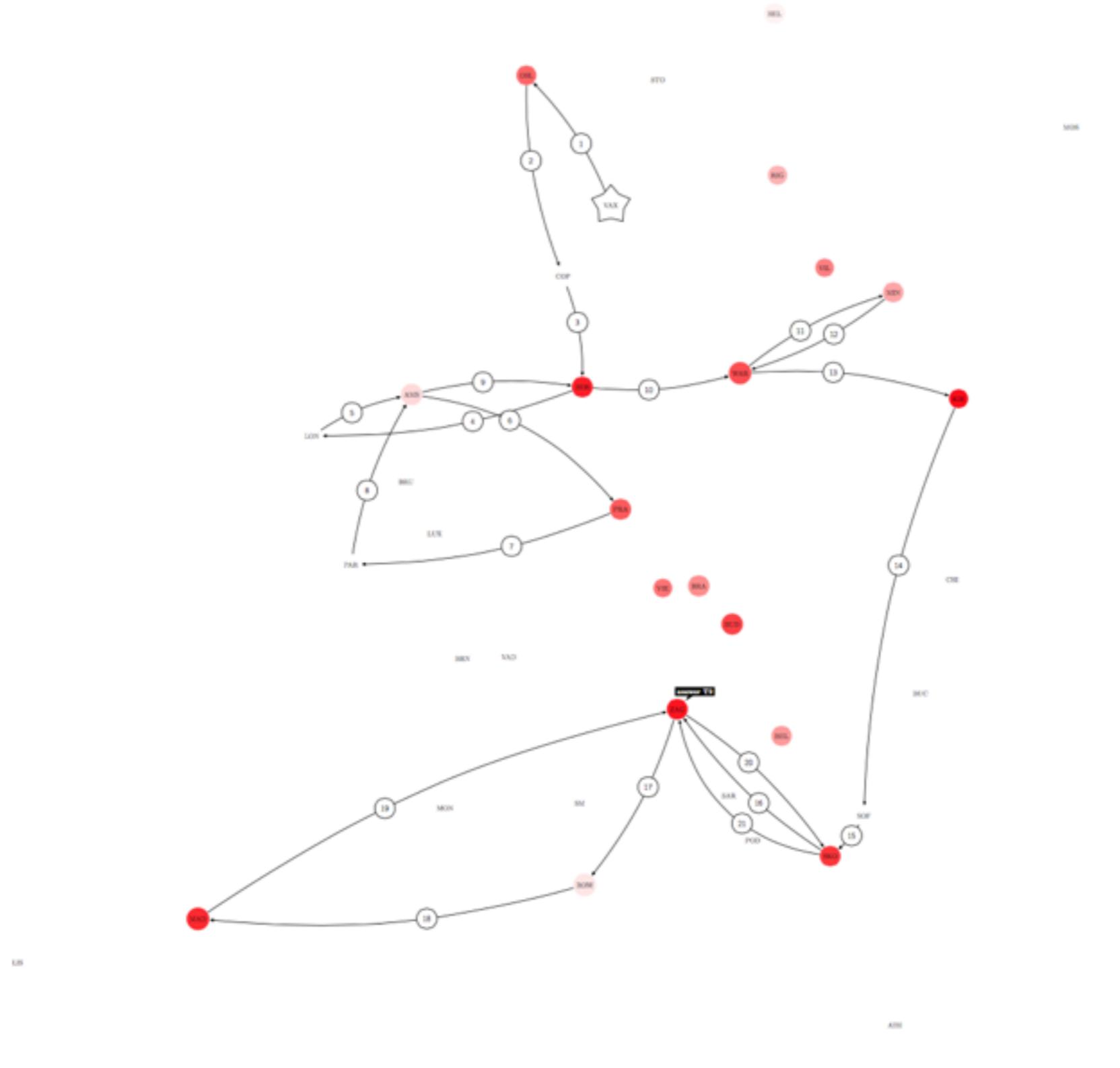
1. Self-constructed pre- and post-session questionnaire
2. Log-files of the developed prototype
3. Think-aloud protocol
4. NASA Task Load Index (TLX) workload estimation

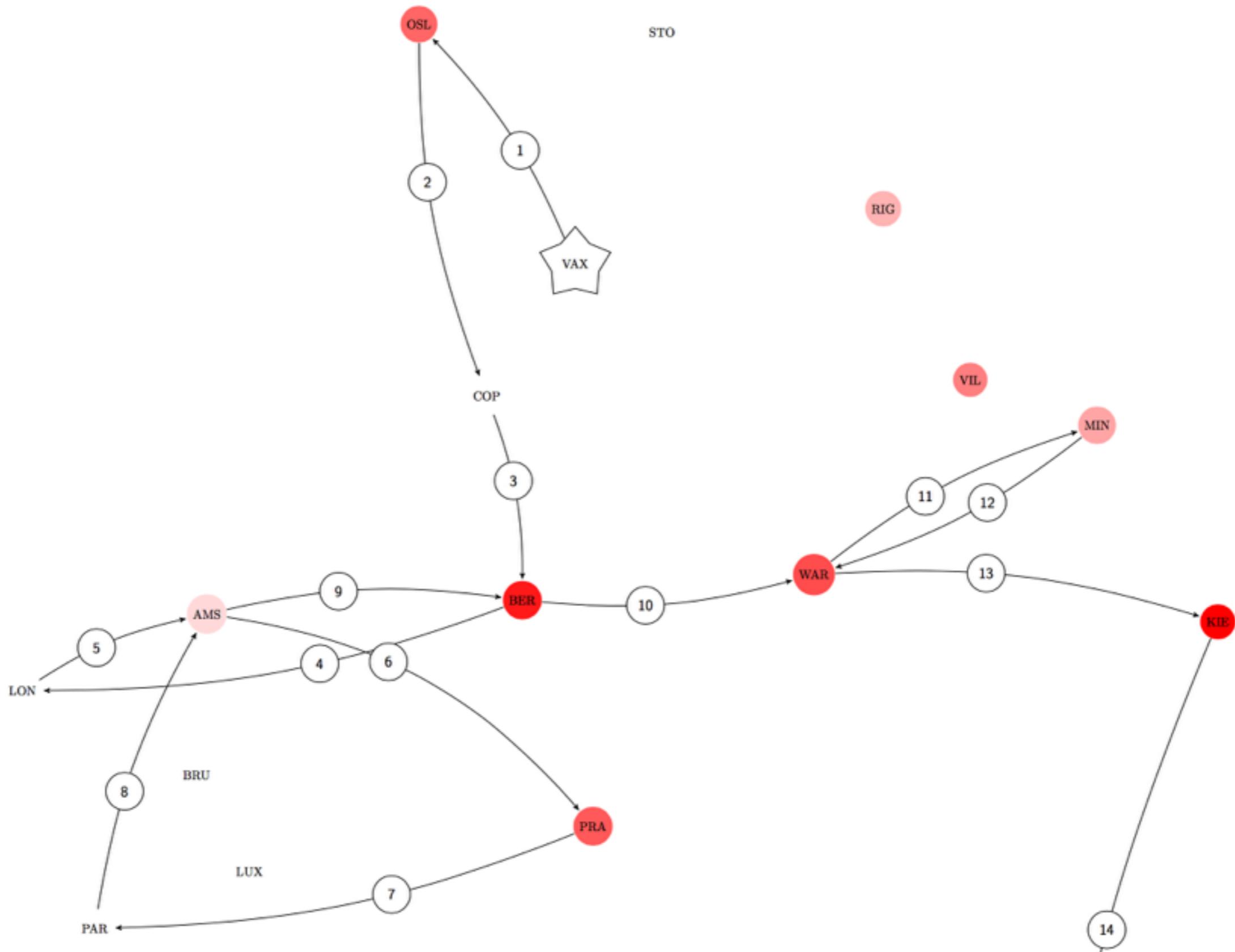


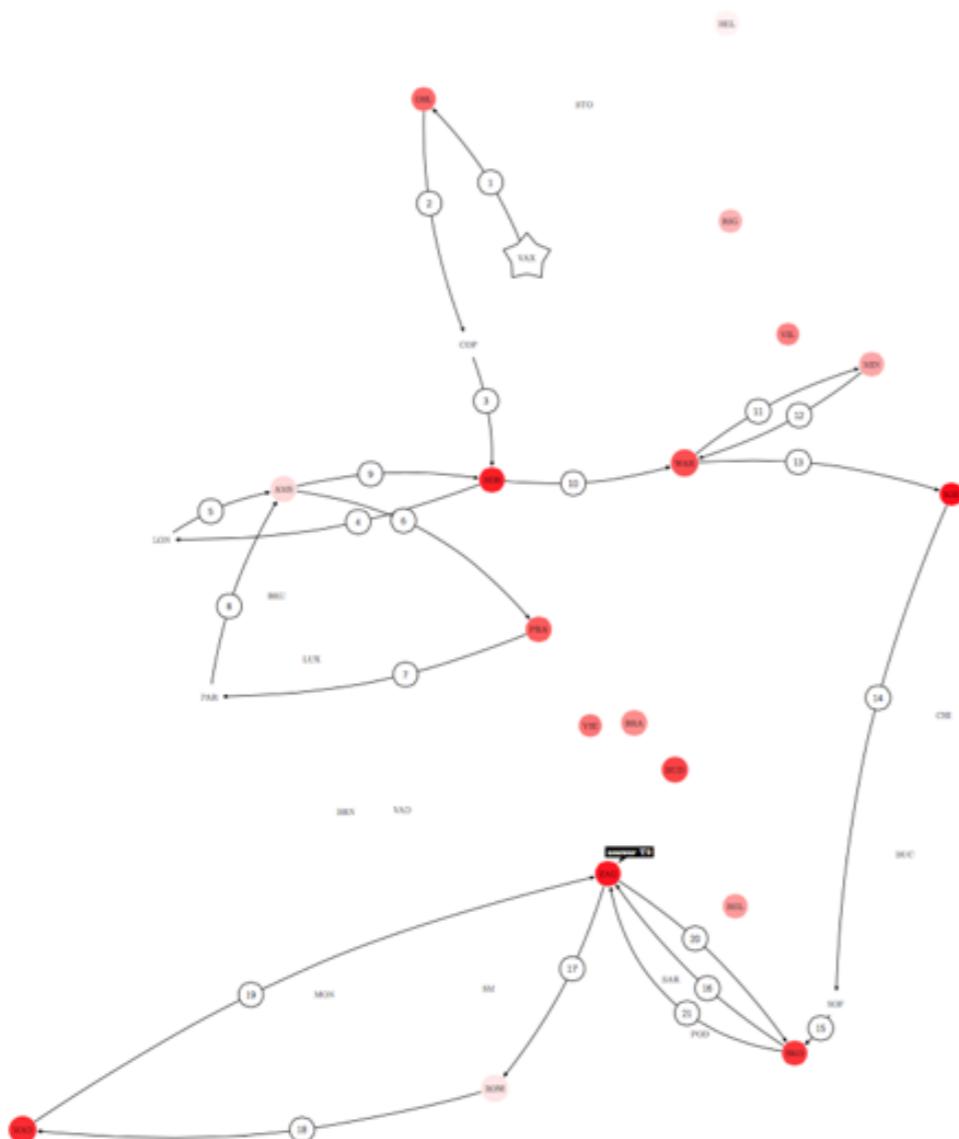
Self-constructed questionnaires

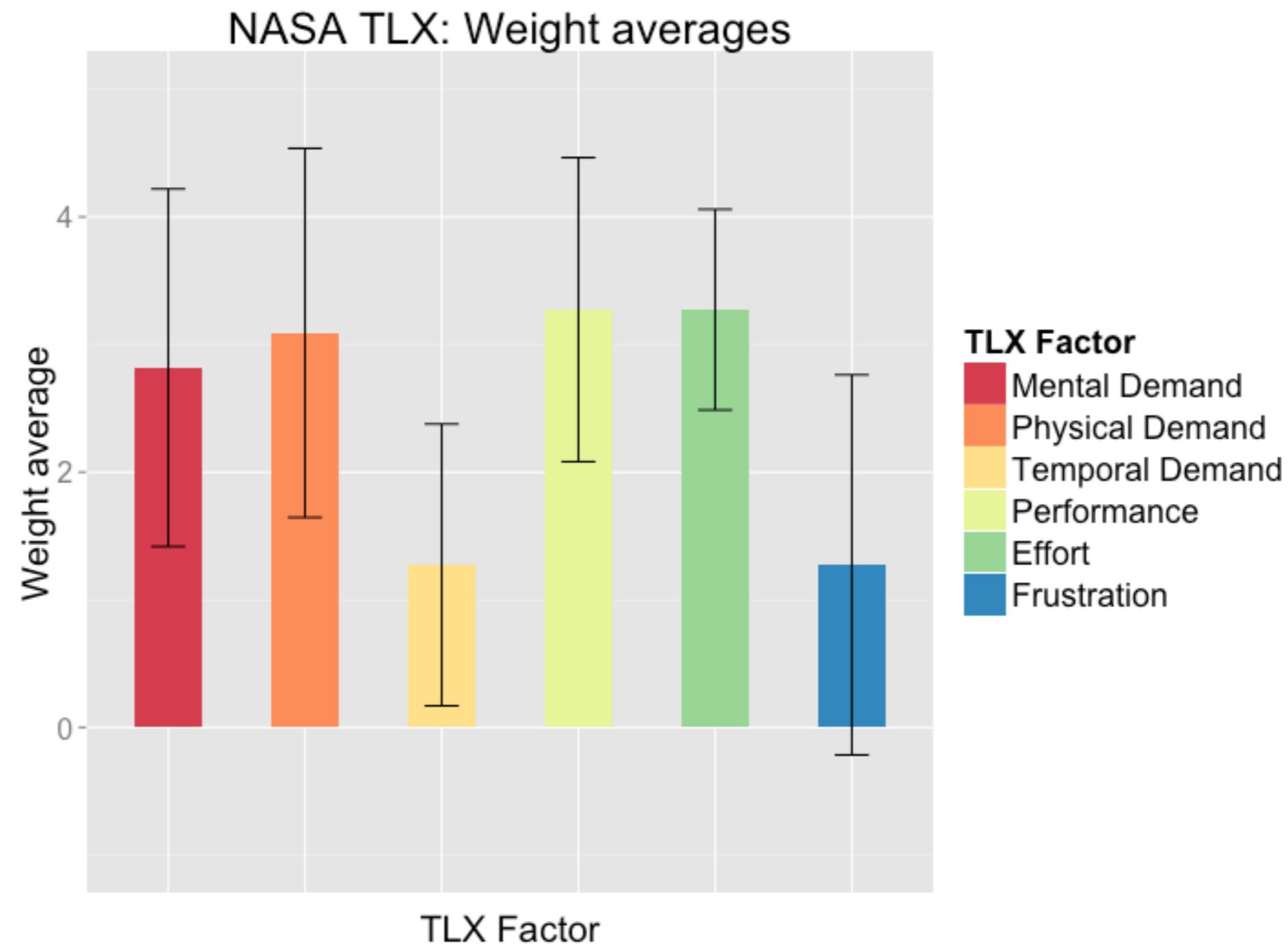
- pre- and post-session (if needed)
- mixture between
 - Likert scale statements
 - open answer questions
- use computerised data collection
(this will help you a lot with the data analysis!!!)
 - e.g. Google Forms

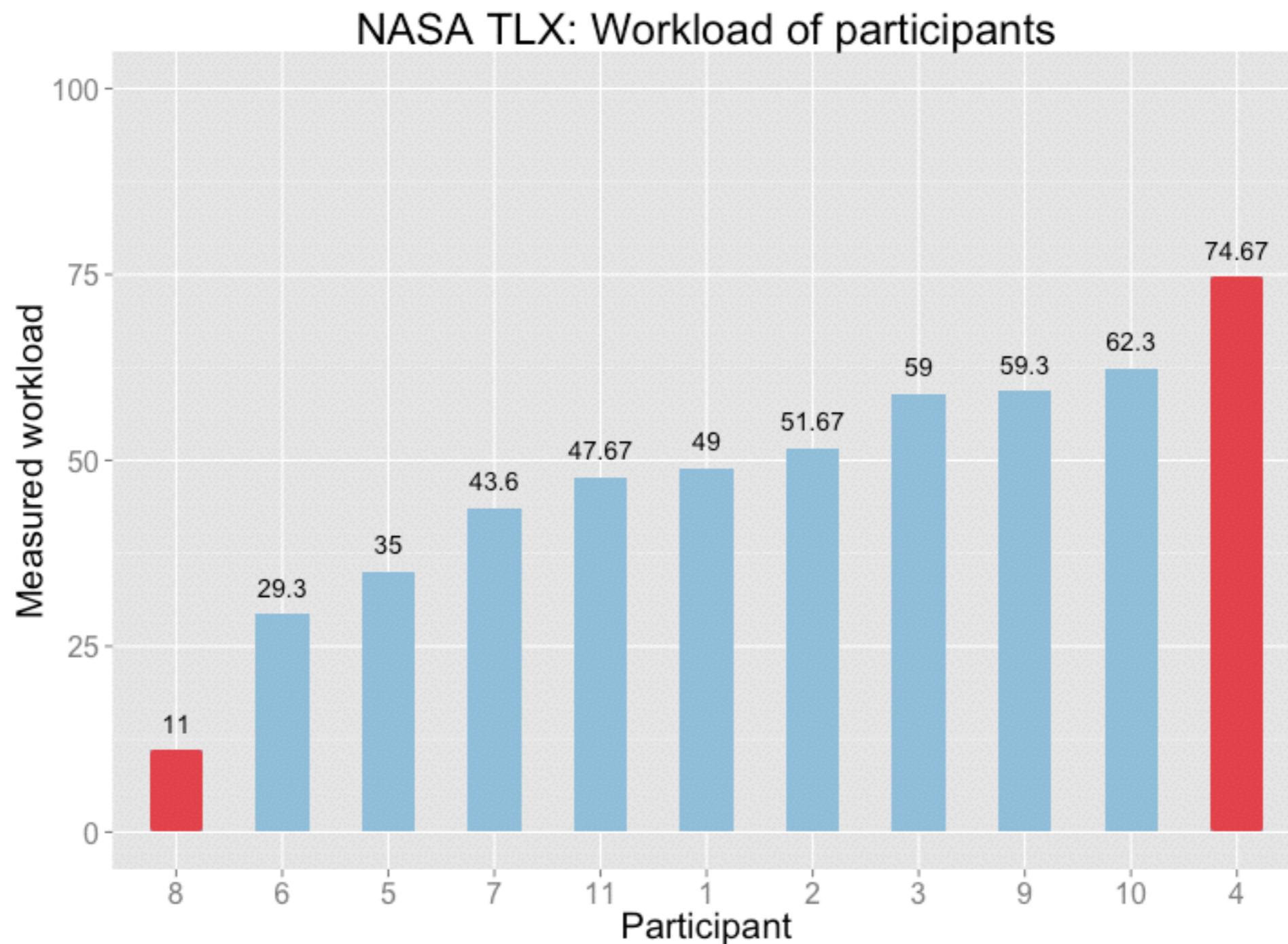
Analysis	Task 1		Task 2	
	AVERAGE	STDEVA	AVERAGE	STDEVA
Average time spent in traveled City (in sec)	32.94	12.94	31.82	10.93
Amount of unique visited cities (max. 45)	11	4	11	4
Amount of visited cities	14	5	13	5
Amount of interactions	42	15	48	19
Movement/Travels	SUM	15	8	15
	Successful	13	5	12
	Unsuccessful	2	3	1
	Forbidden	1	3	2
Content Exploration	SUM	14	5	13
	Trigger	12	4	12
	Dismiss	11	4	12
	Rotation	2	3	0
Filter Menu	SUM	13	8	20
	Trigger	4	2	5
	Dismiss	4	2	5
	Connection	8	6	13
	Area	0	1	8
	Population	6	4	1
	Reset	2	2	4
	Size	1	0	2
	Area	0	0	1
	Population	1	0	0
	Normal	0	0	1
Amount of time for completion (in sec)	421.84	160.61	391.74	142.33
in minutes	7.03	2.68	6.53	2.37











Explorative Expert Discussion

- receive feedback from “experts”
- present
 - concept, idea and motivation
 - your developed prototype / conducted work

Reflection / Experience report (2/2)

UBISS 2014 - Workshop

Learning from People to Design Future

“Enjoying Machines”

Maximilian Mueller (Doctoral student)

Diary study: Interaction with Public Displays

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