

# 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



*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

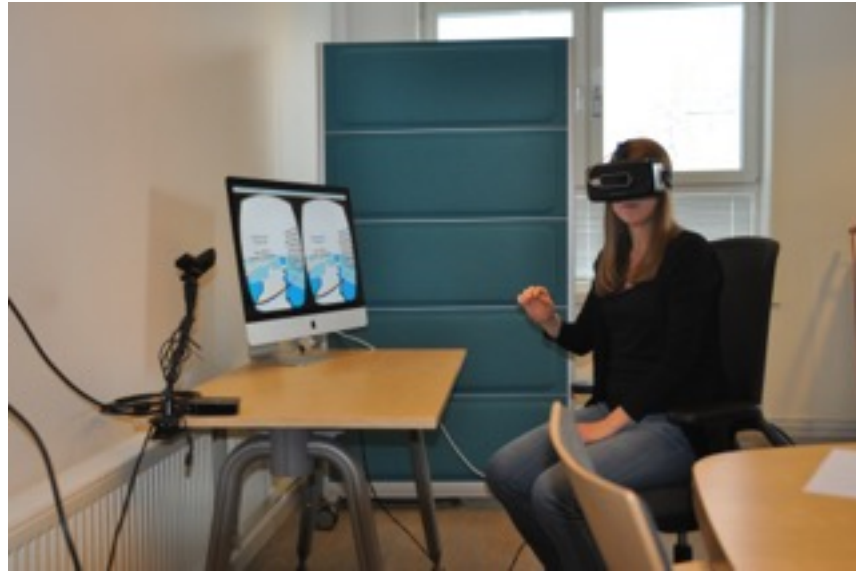
## **Technical validation of the prototype**

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







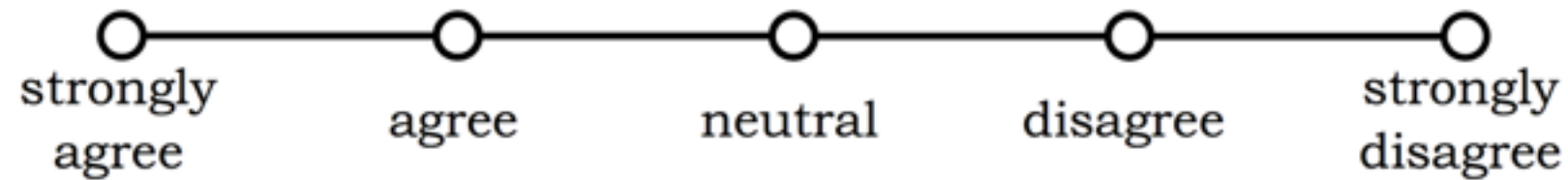




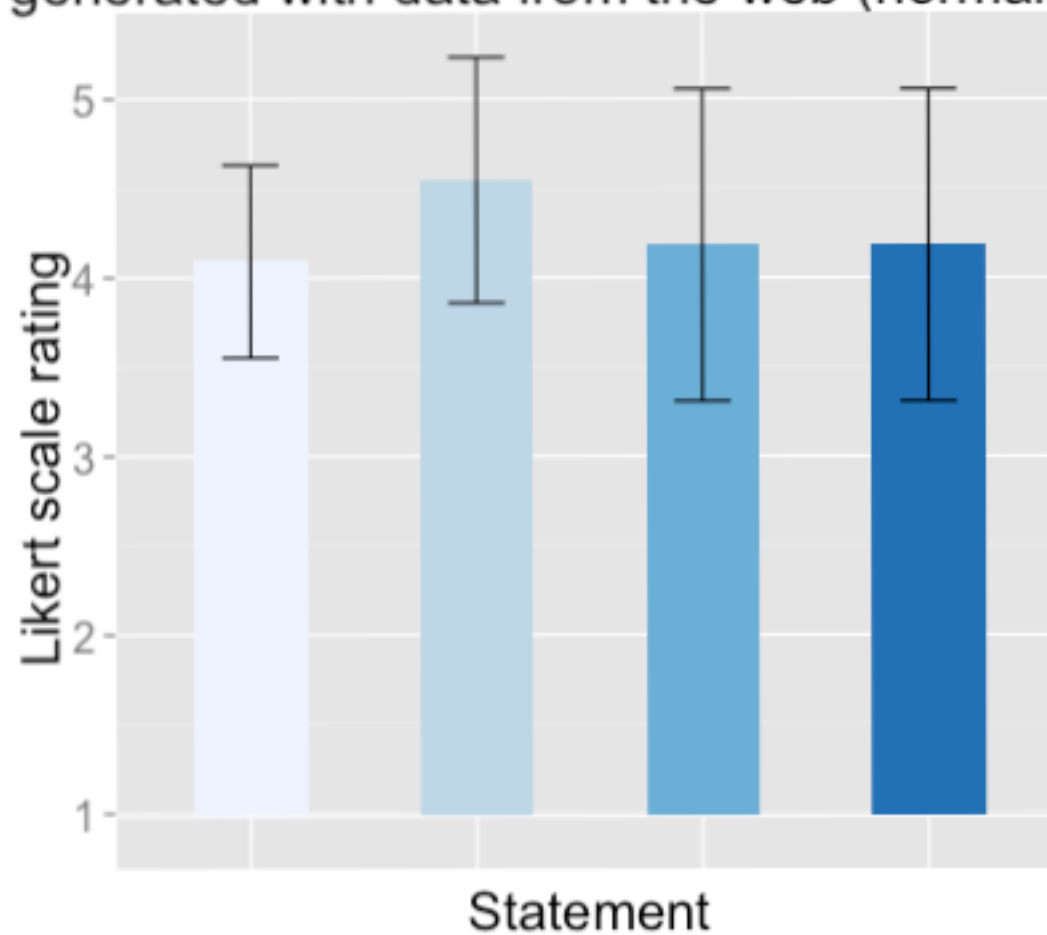
## **User interaction study**

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



PTQ - Perception of the content  
generated with data from the web (normalized)



**The presentation of the content...**

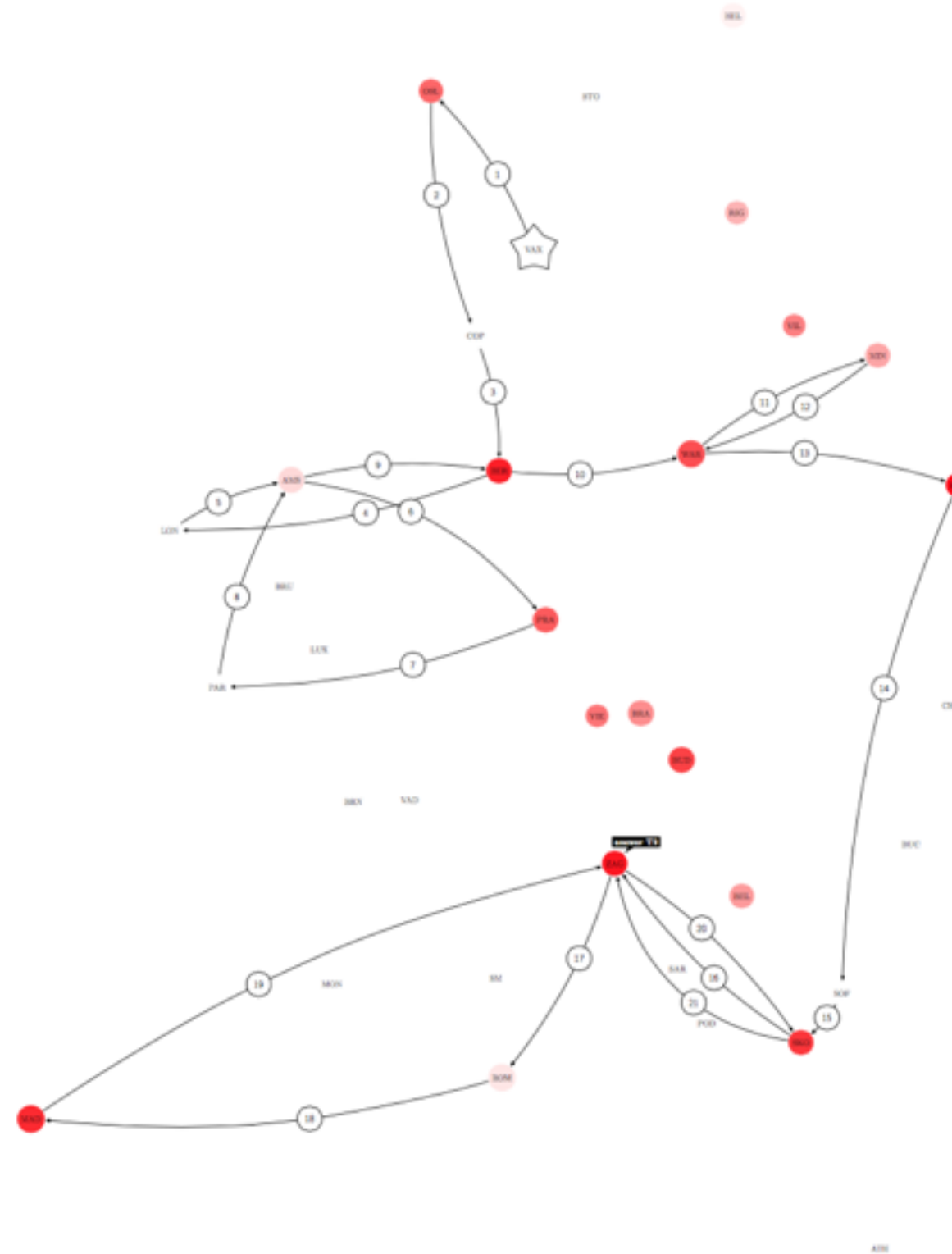
- felt intuitive.
- was pleasant.
- provided an overview about all information at the same time.
- within the 3D space in the VR environment did feel novel.

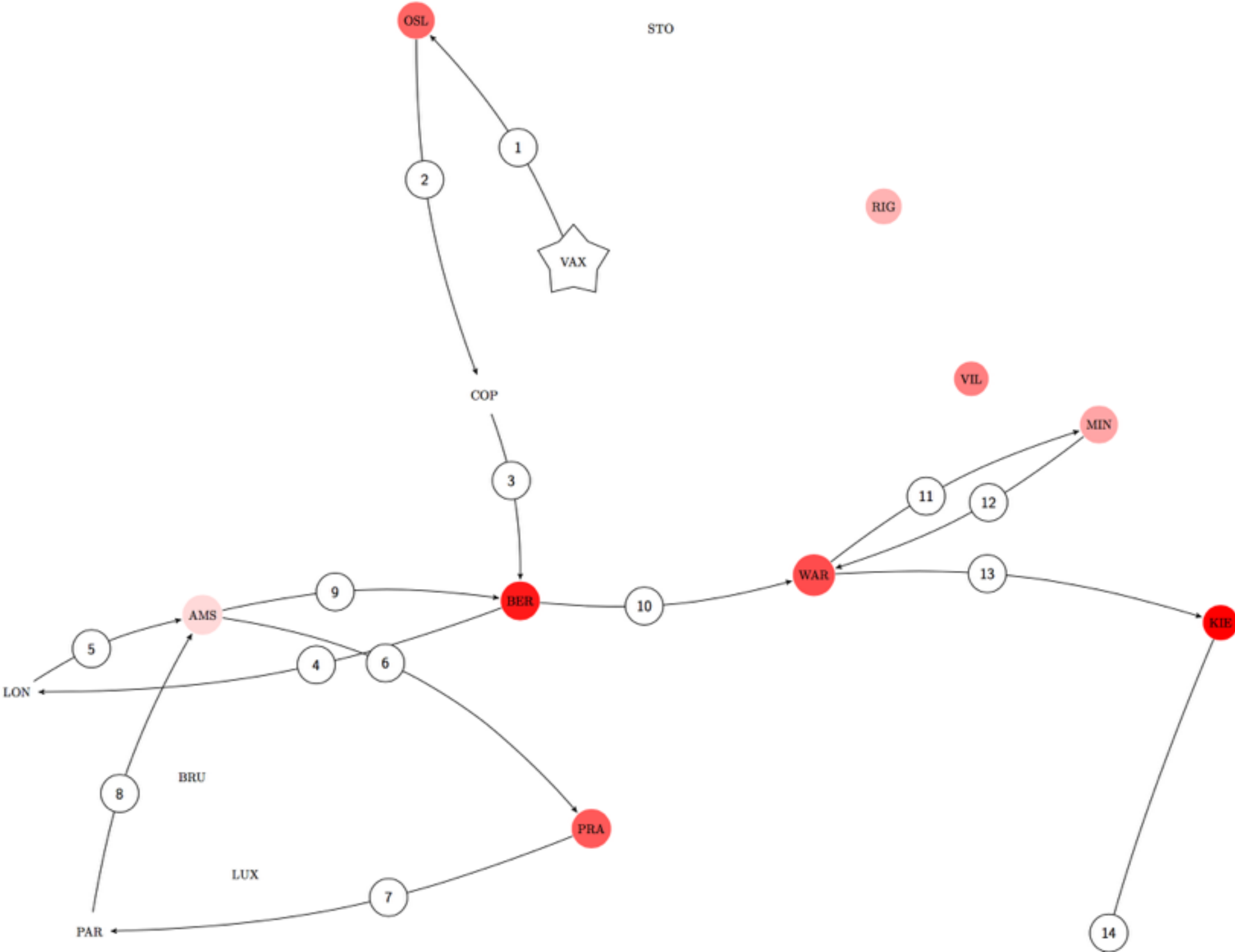
## **Self-constructed questionnaires**

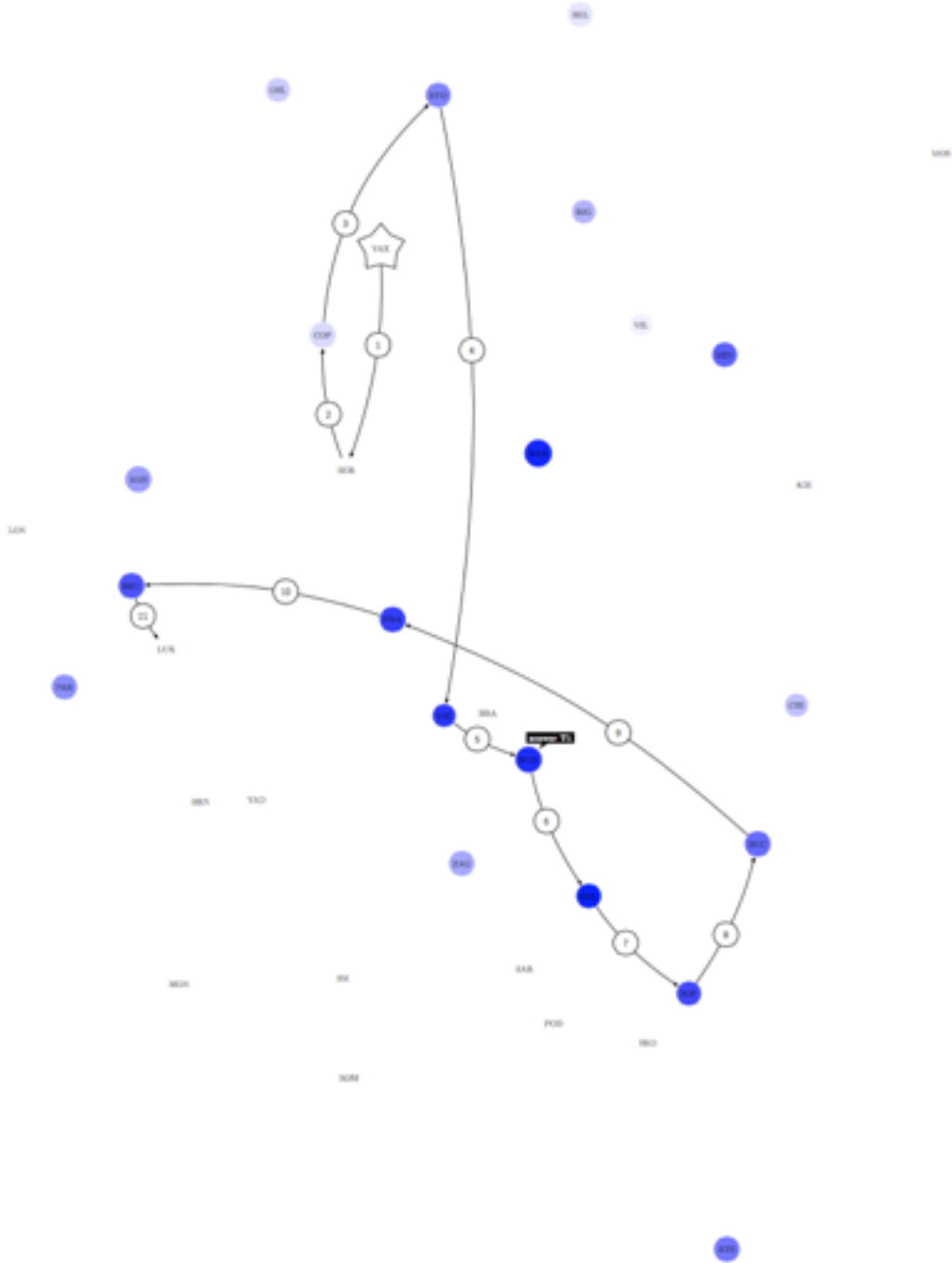
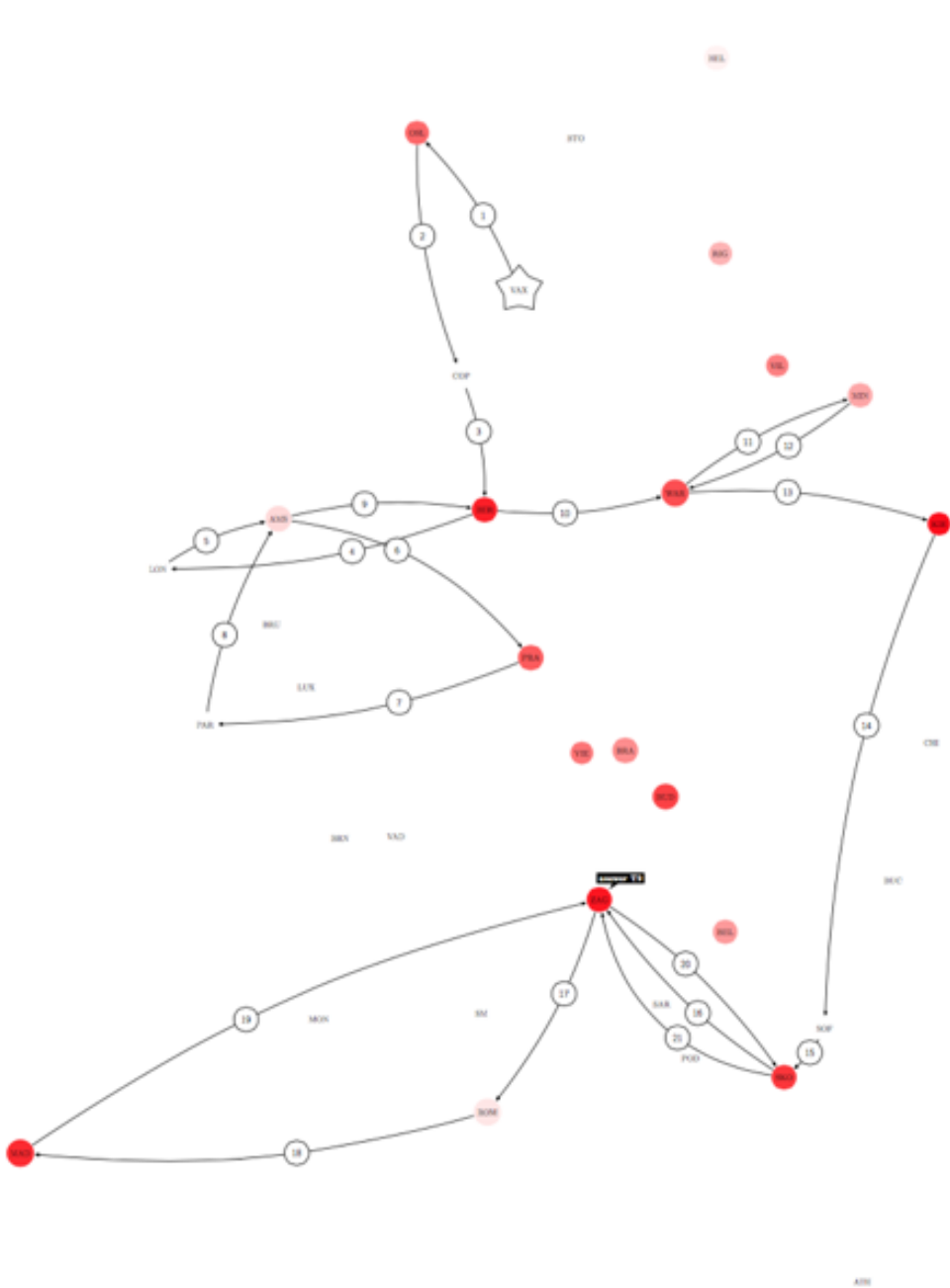
- pre- and post-session (if needed)
- mixture between
  - Likert scale statements
  - open answer questions
- use computerised data collection  
(this will help you a lot with the data analysis!!!)
  - e.g. Google Forms

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	8
		Successful	13	5	12	5
		Unsuccessful	2	3	1	2
		Forbidden	1	3	2	2
	Content Exploration	SUM	14	5	13	5
		Trigger	12	4	12	5
		Dismiss	11	4	12	5
		Rotation	2	3	0	1
	Filter Menu	SUM	13	8	20	11
		Trigger	4	2	5	2
		Dismiss	4	2	5	2
		Connection	8	6	13	10
		Area	0	1	8	6
		Population	6	4	1	2
		Reset	2	2	4	3
		Size	1	0	2	1
		Area	0	0	1	1
		Population	1	0	0	0
		Normal	0	0	1	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



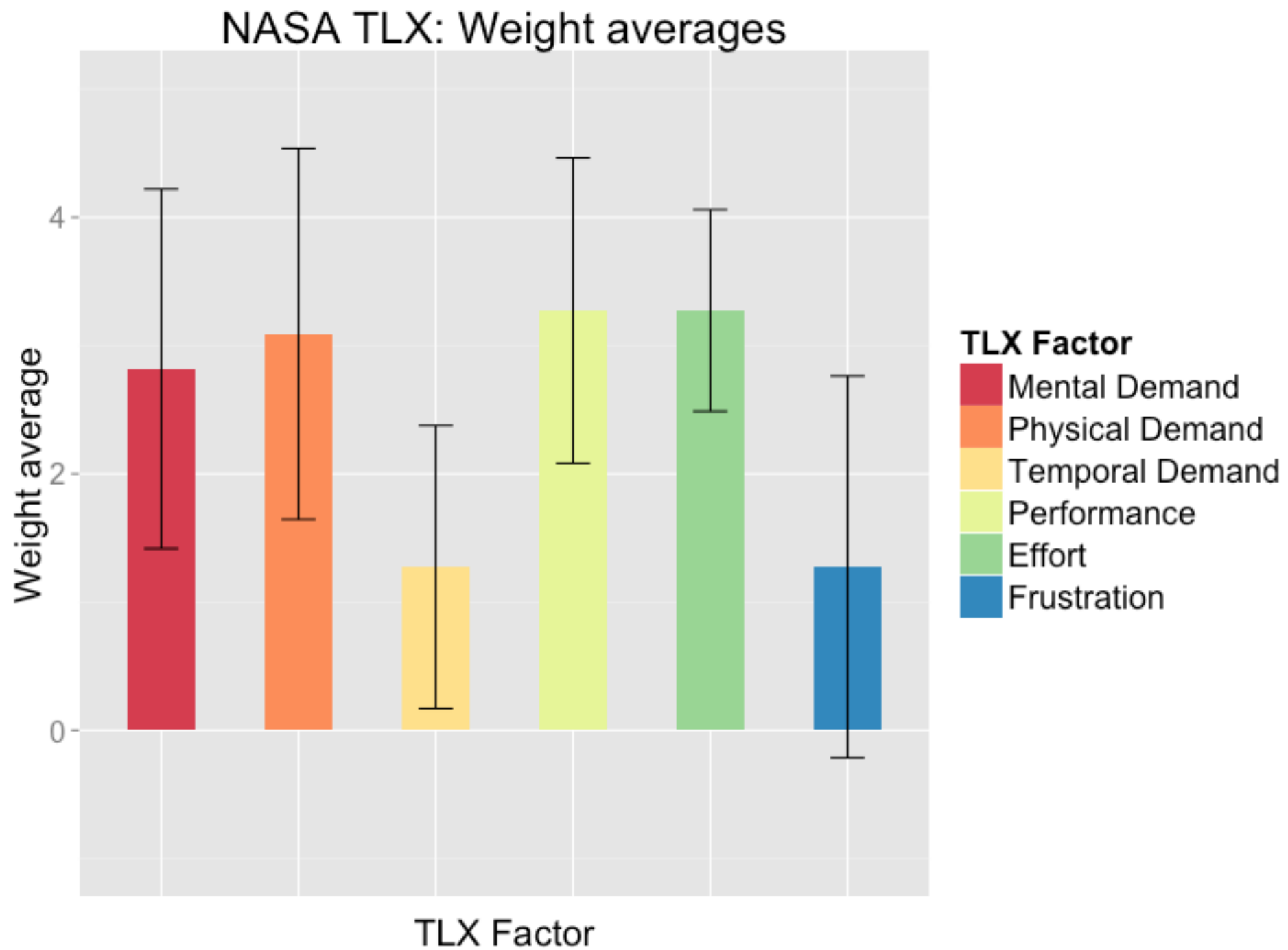




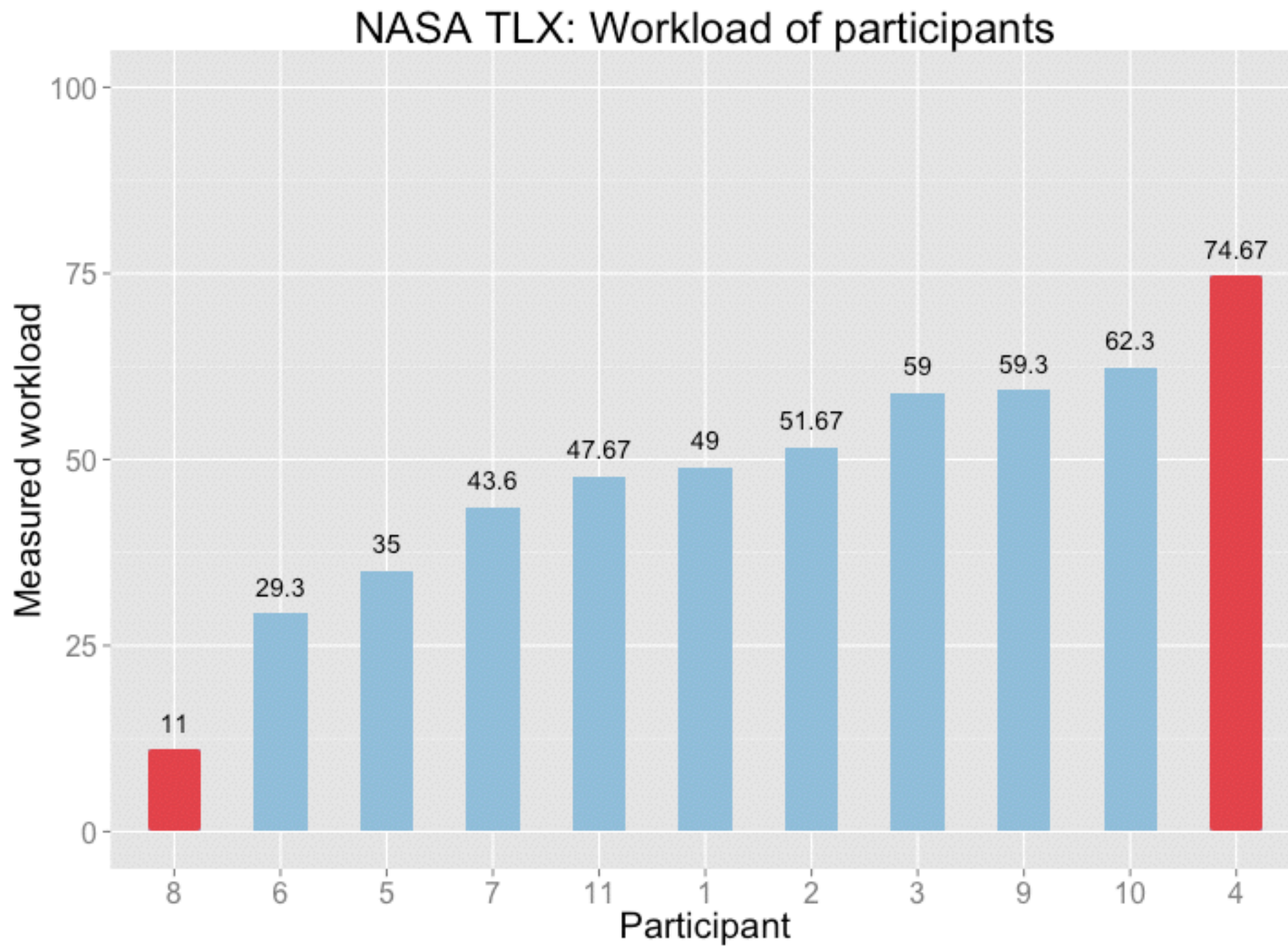


Revisiting

Straight







## **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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