Getting There and Beyond: Incidental Learning of Spatial Knowledge with Turn-by-Turn Directions and Location Updates in Navigation Interfaces







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Navigation with Paper Maps

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Navigation Applications



Indoor Navigation Applications



Outdoor



Reaching to the desired destination following the shortest route

Indoor



Reaching to the desired destination

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Explore the environment



Structural Challenges

Homogeneous Architecture

Lack of Landmarks

Challenges of Using Indoor Navigation Apps

Carrying a navigation device is inconvenient

Too many people

Weakness of the WiFi or RFID Signal

Low Accuracy

Frequent or regular visits to a place do not necessarily help people learn about the environment

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Static "You are Here" Maps

Hard to find those directories when needed

It is challenging to orient with these static maps

Indoor Navigation Applications

Guide people to go from location A to location B

Learn about the environment around them incidentally





Research Question

How the Interface design elements of indoor navigation applications can help people learn about their environment?

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How the interface design elements of indoor navigation applications can help people learn the spatial knowledge about their environment?

Spatial Knowledge

What is spatial knowledge?

Spatial Knowledge



Research Question

How the interface design elements of indoor navigation applications can help people learn

survey and route knowledge about their environment?

Basic Structure of Navigation Applications



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How do the frame of references and navigation cues of indoor navigation applications can help people learn survey and route knowledge about their environment?

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Frame of References

Map Interface



Video Interface



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Navigation Cues



Relative Location Updates



Navigation Cues

Directional Arrows



Active Processing not Required

Relative Location Updates









Active Processing Required

Map Interfaces

Directional Arrow

Turn-by-Turn Update



Relative Location Update

Real Time Update



Map Interface with Location Marker

Map Interface with Directional Arrow

Map Interfaces

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Map Interface with Directional Arrow

Relative Location Update

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Map Interface with Location Marker

Video Interfaces

Directional Arrow

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Video Interface with Directional Arrow

Video Interface with Navigation Circle

Video Interfaces

Directional Arrow

Turn-by-Turn Update





Video Interface with Directional Arrow

Relative Location Update

Real Time Update



Video Interface with Navigation Circle

Study Design

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User Study Design (cont.)

Tests to measure Route Knowledge

Location Recognition Test Unassisted Navigation Test

User Study Design (cont.)

Tests to measure Route Knowledge

Location 1	Location 2	Location 3	
Easiest	Harder	Hardest	

Results

Results: Time Analysis

Tasks	Note: the second	Location Marker		Indextitative get the second s
Task 1	4 min 15 sec	5 min 30 sec	4 min 20 sec	5 min 44 sec
Task 2	4 min 48 sec	4 min 38 sec	4 min 37 sec	4 min 22 sec
Task 3	4 min 44 sec	4 min 15 sec	4 min 10 sec	4 min 15 sec
Task 4	4 min 57 sec	4 min 49 sec	4 min 57 sec	4 min 39 sec

Results: Time Analysis



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Active processing of navigation cues was harder for participants

Participants can quickly learn the process

Results: Incremental Survey Knowledge Analysis



* The lower value is better than the higher value.

Results: Incremental Survey Knowledge Analysis

Active processing of navigation cues helped participants learn survey knowledge incrementally



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Results: Integrated Survey Knowledge Analysis



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Viewing the Map Interface (floor plan) helped participants learn the integrated survey knowledge better



Results: Route Knowledge Analysis



Results: Route Knowledge Analysis

Viewing the Video Interface (live video feed) helped participants learn the route knowledge better



Summery of Results

Lazy Approach





Easy to Navigate



Hard Approach





Summery of Results

Lazy Approach

Hard Approach





Learning Spatial Knowledge







Thank You



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