

3D Timeline User Study

Thank you for participating in our user study. During this study you will explore two different graphical user interfaces **multiview** and **timeline** that both support exploration of 3D modeling histories. Your task is to answer very simple quiz questions with regards to presented 3D models, assess the usability of the systems and at the end compare and contrast the two interfaces and the types of explorations you will have experienced. The experiment will last no more than 15 minutes and you can withdraw at any point in which case your answers will be invalidated.

Q0. What is your 3D modeling experience? Please tick as appropriate.

☐

Beginner

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Intermediate

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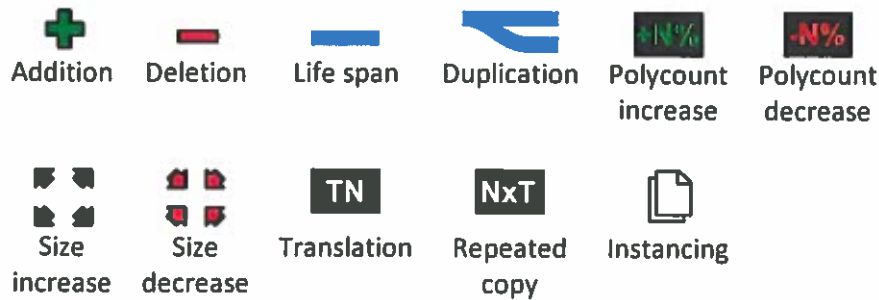
Expert

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Timeline User Interface

In the timeline user interface you are presented a sequence of 3D models ordered from left to right. You can navigate all models simultaneously and select and highlight individual meshes in each window independently. In addition, you can move the slider to reveal the flow of editing operations in the main morphing window. Tool tips on each 3D view reveal the file name of each model.

Timeline legend:



You will now be given a sample dataset to familiarise yourself with the user interface. You can ask questions at any time.

Next you will be given a dataset on which to answer the following questions. The time it takes you to complete the task will be measured.

Dataset:

Cruciform

Q1. Between which two models were the most unique non-duplicate components added?

Cruciform 26 + Cruciform 30

Q2. How many components have the longest life span, i.e. appear in the most models?

1

Q3. Between which two models the most duplication happened?

Cruciform 10 + Cruciform 14

Duration:

1.30

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System Usability Scale

If you feel you cannot respond to a particular item, you should mark the centre point of the scale.

Interface:

TIMELINE

	Strongly disagree				Strongly agree
1. I think that I would like to use this system frequently.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1	2	3	4	5
2. I found the system unnecessarily complex.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1	2	3	4	5
3. I thought the system was easy to use.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1	2	3	4	5
4. I think that I would need the support of a technical person to be able to use this system.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1	2	3	4	5
5. I found the various functions in this system were well integrated.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1	2	3	4	5
6. I thought there was too much inconsistency in this system.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1	2	3	4	5
7. I would imagine that most people would learn to use this system very quickly.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	1	2	3	4	5
8. I found the system very cumbersome to use.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1	2	3	4	5
9. I felt very confident using the system.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1	2	3	4	5
10. I needed to learn a lot of things before I could get going with this system.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1	2	3	4	5

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Multiview User Interface

In the multiview user interface you are presented a sequence of 3D models ordered from the bottom right to the top left. You can navigate all models simultaneously and select and highlight individual meshes in each window independently.

You will now be given a sample dataset to familiarise yourself with the user interface. You can ask questions at any time.

Next you will be given a dataset on which to answer the following questions. The time it takes you to complete the task will be measured.

Dataset:

BRICK

Q1. Between which two models were the most unique non-duplicate components added?

Lego_06 - Lego_07

Q2. How many components have the longest life span, i.e. appear in the most models?

4

Q3. Between which two models the most duplication happened?

Lego_10 & Lego_16

Duration:

1.29

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System Usability Scale

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Interface:

MULTI-VIEW

	Strongly disagree				Strongly agree
1. I think that I would like to use this system frequently.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1	2	3	4	5
2. I found the system unnecessarily complex.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1	2	3	4	5
3. I thought the system was easy to use.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1	2	3	4	5
4. I think that I would need the support of a technical person to be able to use this system.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1	2	3	4	5
5. I found the various functions in this system were well integrated.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1	2	3	4	5
6. I thought there was too much inconsistency in this system.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Open Ended Questions

Q1. How would you compare the two tools?

- the timeline tool seemed much better integrated; it was more clear to me what's happening
- the multiview was OK, but not as easy to see the flow of changes through time

Q2. Which tool would you prefer and why?

timeline, because moving the slider makes it very obvious what is changing.

Q3. Any additional comments?

the baseline could've been even more simple app, e.g. without linked views

Thank you for your participation, the user study is now over.