Virtual Reality

Perspectives on eSports and more



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Market Observations

- A lot of people watch other people play games.
- According to the industry researchers at SuperData, the "worldwide gaming video content audience" includes 665 million people. And it's growing: The company predicts a 21 percent viewer increase between now and 2021.
- According to SuperData, there's now a bigger audience for gaming video than the combined audiences of HBO, Netflix, ESPN, and Hulu.
- By 2019, you"ll be able to don on your VR headset and go anywhere on the [baseball] field... and watch the game with maybe a two-second delay," Intel CEO Brian Krzanic

eSports: Recent News (as of 08/20/17)

- Tony Estanguet, co-president of the Paris 2024 Olympic bid committee said "We have to look at [eSports] because we can't say, 'It's not us. It's not about Olympics ... The youth, yes they are interested in eSport and this kind of thing. Let's look at it. Let's meet them. Let's try if we can find some bridges ... There is some time to look at it, to interact, to engage ... We will spend some time after (the IOC meeting in September) Lima to engage with new people and stakeholders. The IOC will have the last ... say, if they want eSports on the program. Let's discuss among ourselves."
- Telemundo broadcast all 16 hours of the FIFA Interactive World Cup (an annual video gaming competition organized by FIFA and EA Sports) and Peter Blacker, Executive Vice President of digital media and emerging business for NBCUniversal Telemundo Enterprises said "Esports gives us an opportunity to connect with the Hispanic, multicultural gaming audience ... Esports consumers tend to be more millennial, and Hispanics are the most engaged in that group ... Our heritage as part of NBCU means we're the Hispanic home of the Olympics, which have been a great place for us to shine a light on athletes and their journeys, we're going to do that in the eSports area as well."
- Market research firm Nielson announced a new eSports business unit and said, "eSports has experienced massive global growth over the past few years with major investment from blue chip sponsors, game publishers and media companies, as well as sports leagues and teams. The eSports fan base is also rapidly expanding with nearly one in three fans beginning to follow eSports just within the past year." (Note: Advisory board members include ESL, ESPN, Facebook, FIFA, Major League Gaming/Activision Blizzard, NBA 2K League, The Next Level, Sony PlayStation, Turner, Twitch, Twitter Unilever and Google YouTube.)

OUR TAKE

- Given that Olympic viewership has been declining, introducing activities such as eSports may help reverse this trend.
- While eSports is still at a relatively early stage of development, this market will continue to expand and attract many new participants.
- Advances in geo-spatial technologies (such augmented/virtual reality, sensors, motion capture, robotics/drones, etc.) will result in the introduction of new types of sports competition and reshape both traditional and eSports.



eSports on Twitch: A Sampler

Top 25 TwitchTV Users by Followers						
RANK	GRADE	USERNAME	LAST GAME	VIEWS	FOLLOWERS	
1	A++	<u>syndicate</u>	PLAYERUNKNOWN'S BATTLEGROUNDS	39,503,353	2,450,925	
2	A++	<u>riotgames</u>	League of Legends	906,791,114	2,428,572	
3	A++	summit1q	Golf It!	162,142,832	2,192,342	
4	A++	esl_csqo	Counter-Strike: Global Offensive	249,420,389	2,141,037	
5	A++	esltv_cs	Counter-Strike: Global Offensive	249,420,389	2,141,037	
6	A++	nightblue3	League of Legends	176,257,319	1,974,103	
7	A++	<u>imaqtpie</u>	League of Legends	223,356,997	1,846,278	
8	A++	<u>lirikk</u>	Conan Exiles	192,331,140	1,774,560	
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10	A++	sodapoppin	IRL	165,805,163	1,519,695	
11	A++	PhantomL0rd	League of Legends	88,627,115	1,396,710	
12	A++	officialbjergsen	League of Legends	86,258,058	1,349,541	
13	A++	wolves_bjergsen	League of Legends	86,258,048	1,349,535	
14	A++	tsm_bjergsen	League of Legends	86,258,048	1,349,533	
15	A++	joshog	Golf It!	40,540,805	1,327,694	
16	A++	theoriginalweed	Golf It!	40,540,747	1,327,692	
17	A++	dyrus	League of Legends	195,724,923	1,320,135	
18	A++	Tsm_dyrus	League of Legends	195,724,883	1,320,132	
19	A++	gosu	League of Legends	92,529,191	1,273,360	
20	A++	<u>captainsparklez</u>	Minecraft	20,577,154	1,264,284	
21	A++	goldglove	IRL	46,507,627	1,245,275	
22	A++	castro_1021	FIFA Street	34,396,164	1,239,300	
23	A++	<u>timthetatman</u>	World of Warcraft	52,152,651	1,203,829	
24	A++	<u>dreamhackcs</u>	Counter-Strike: Global Offensive	111,601,507	1,170,199	
25	A++	boxbox	League of Legends	73,608,734	1,158,312	



Background on Virtual Reality



Virtual Reality is not New

















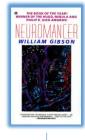
1929: Edwin Link develops Link Trainer, a mechanical airplane simulator.



1950: US Air Force psychologist James Gibson publishes "The Perception of the Visual World"



1962: Ivan Sutherland, develops the light pen and a program called Sketchpad.



1983: William Gibson invents the term "cyberspace."



1989: Jaron Lanier coins the term "virtual reality."



2011: Palmer Luckey develops the Oculus Rift in parent's garage.

1832: first stereoscope, developed by Charles Wheatstone

1930s: View-Master is provided as a mass-produced stereoscope.

1957: Sensorama, developed by Morton Heilig, immerses users in vision, sound, smell, and vibration.

1977: Dan Sandin, Richard Sayre, and Thomas Defanti produce the first data glove.

1987: Star Trek: The Next Generation introduces the "holodeck."

1999: The Matrix, a movie based on virtual reality.

2014: Facebook announces \$2 billion acquisition of Oculus

VR Benefits from Declining Costs



Types of VR Environments



Mobile





Various VR Platforms

Oculus Rift/ Facebook



Sony Playstation VR



Open Source Virtual Reality (OSVR)



Samsung Gear VR



Google Daydream



IMAX/Starbreeze /Acer



HTC Vive



Google Cardboard



Microsoft Hololens / WMR





Enhancing the Experience

OSSIC X 3D audio



Leap Motion sense hand movement



MSI VR One backpack PC



Manus VR data glove



WhirlwindVR Vortex next generation haptic



VirZoom bike trainer



Virtuix Omni



3DRudder foot controller



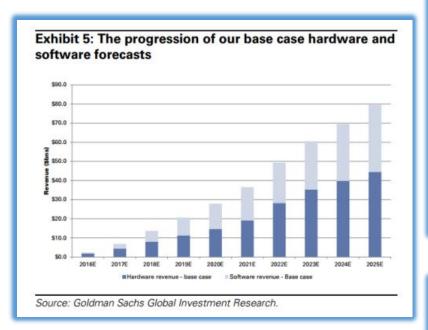
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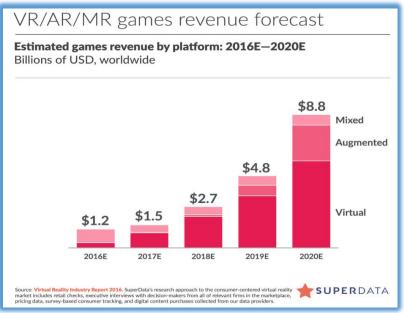


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Market Forecasts

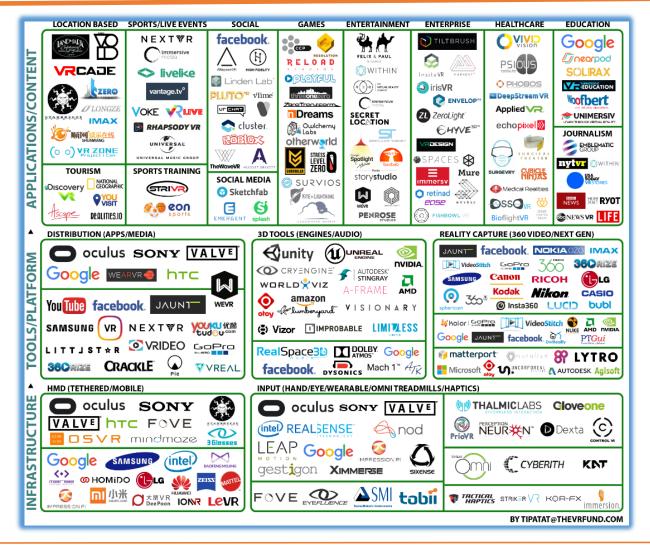




(shipments in millions)							
	2016	2020	2016-2020				
Product Category	Shipments	Shipments	CAGR				
Virtual Reality Hardware	9.6	64.8	183.8%				
Augmented Reality Hardware	0.4	45.6	189.8%				



Industry Landscape



Uses of Virtual Reality (A Sampler)





Zombies are VERY Popular



VR can be Social, Interactive and Fun













Examples of Non-Gaming VR Apps



















Attending a Presidential Debate



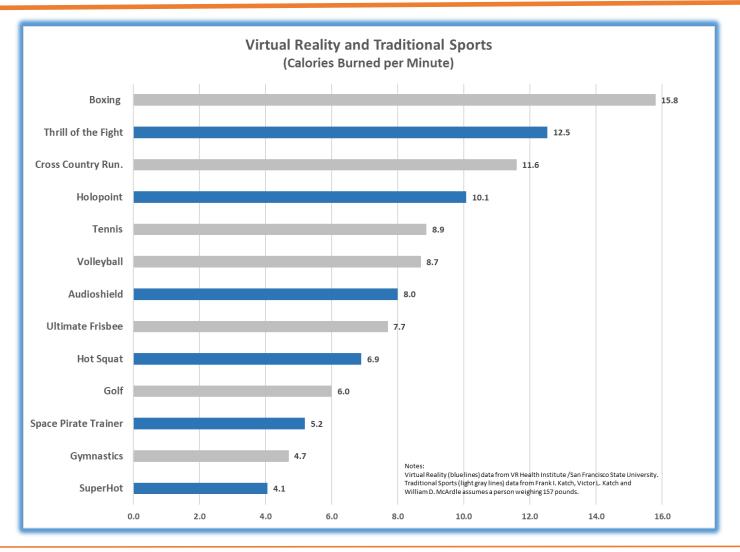
Interacting with Hamlet





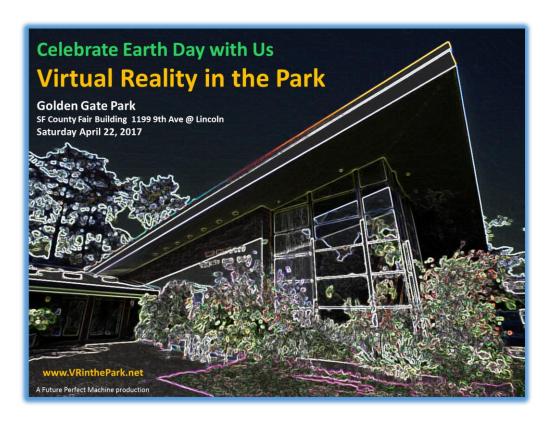
To Be With Hamlet

VR can Burn Calories





Virtual Reality in the Park: 2017



A community-focused event providing attendees with "hands-on" VR experiences.

Attendees represented diverse age groups – the youngest – 4 ½ years old, several were in their late 70s.

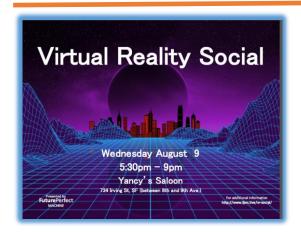
VR systems included Facebook/Oculus, HTC Vive, Samsung Gear VR, Google Cardboard and Microsoft Hololens.

Experiences included:

- Painting in 3 dimensions
- Composing music in new ways
- Exploring ocean habitats
- The work of Oscar-Winning designer
- Meeting a rocket scientist
- Encountering Shakespeare's Hamlet
- And more

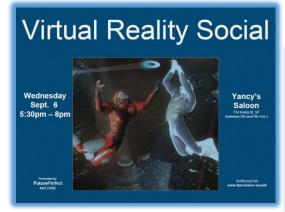
Some event photos at www.VRinthePark.net

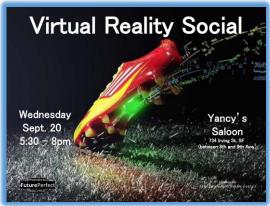
VR Social at Yancy's Saloon

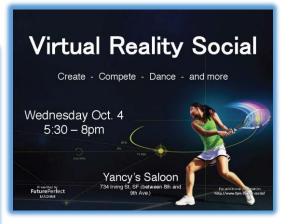














Configuration Overview



Head Mounted Display (HMD) connected to high-end PC.

Infra-red trackers, 12 – 15 feet apart, mounted to light stands or walls. Units are not connected to the PC.

To broaden experience to other attendees, mirror video to a projection unit or screen and audio to a sound system.



Friends and others watch the action.



Let the Fun Begin!



Paul Dravis - Background

- Involved with technology, finance and public policy as a software developer, business strategist, investor and more.
- Worked with organizations such as the World Bank, JP Morgan, Microsoft, SAP, Government of Jordan and others.
- Within the education sector, he is a member of a Technology Steering Committee at Barnard College (New York), working with both the Center for Urban Science and Planning (CUSP) and the Entrepreneurial Institute at NYU and technology advisor to the Altamira International School (K-12) in Barranquilla, Colombia.
- Founded "Future Perfect Machine" to explore and apply innovative technologies that can benefit individuals, communities and society. Focus areas include **geospatial technologies** (such as virtual and augmented reality), artificial intelligence and more.
- VR efforts include work with Independent Television Service, Twitch, General Assembly, San
 Francisco Public Library, St. Anne's School (San Francisco), Altamira International School
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