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Geographical Design

From Google Maps and Google Earth to the use of smart phones and in-car navigation systems, spatial knowledge is acquired and communicated through various often geographic information technologies. This talk discusses the interplay between spatial cognition research and use of spatial interfaces. It begins by reviewing what is known about how humans process spatial concepts and then moves on to discuss how interfaces can be improved to take advantage to those capabilities. Special attention is given to a variety of innovative geographical platforms that provide users with an intuitive understanding and support the further acquisition of spatial knowledge.

The talk concludes with look at the future of user-centered spatial information systems.

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