

Ori-Gami – a spatial learning game

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Motivation

- Developmental / Cognitive
- Usability / User centered Design
 Focussed Apps / "less is more"
- Educational



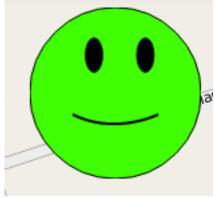
- Educational Standards / Curricula
- Spatial Competencies
 - Spatial Orientation
 - Map understanding

"move in real space with the aid of maps and other aids for orientation" (German Geography Standards)



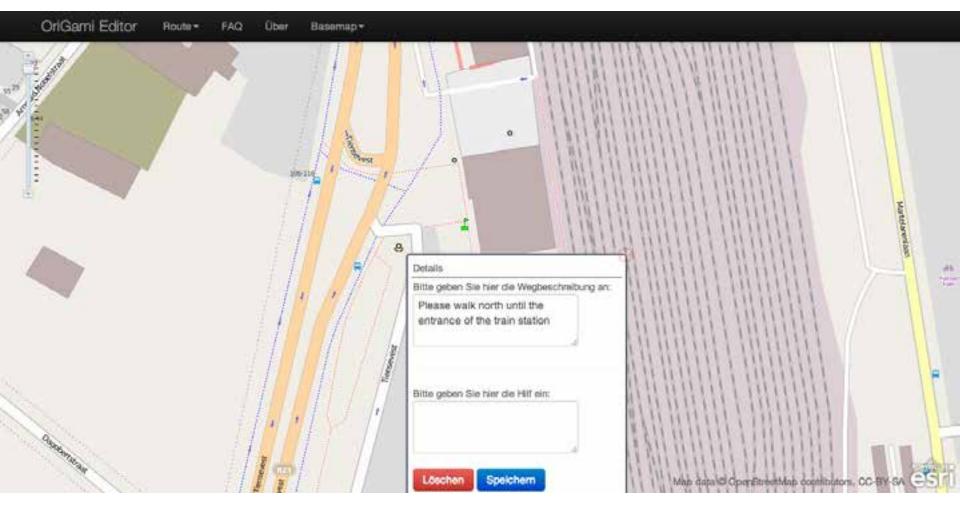
Ori-Gami App

- "Orientation Gaming"
- Game idea
 - Teacher creates a route consisting of:
 - Startpoint, Endpoint and Waypoints
 - verbal route instructions to reach each waypoint
 - Player follows instructions step by step
- Mobile (iOS) and stationary version (Browser)
 Esri ArcGIS JS and iOS APIs
- Game-based elements:
 - Visual feedback
 - Audio feedback





Ori-Gami App (Editor)





Ori-Gami App (iOS)







Ori-Gami App (Browser)





Ori-Gami App

- Not only a game
- Measurement functionalities
 - Recording of clicks / touches
 - time
 - distances
 - zoom-level
 - amount of clicks / errors
 - iOS only:
 - Tracking of user (GPS)
 - Orientation of device



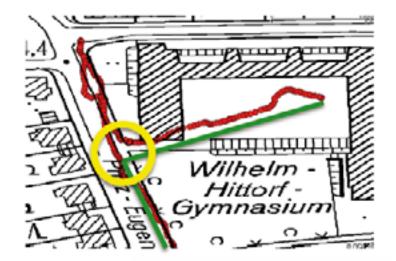
Usability Test

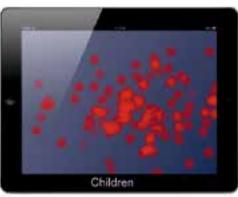
- Mobile Version (iPad)
- Two user groups
 - 12 children (10 years old)
 - 9 students of geoinformatics (av. 24.5 years old)
- Scenario: "Follow the instructions!"

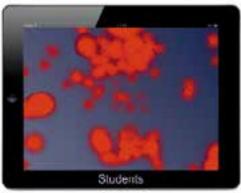


Test Results

- Heatmap of touches
 - The smiley is not being misunderstood as a button!
 - Students touched the instruction area
 - Significantly more touches for children with errors









Test Results

- Questionnaire on user experience
 - Children had few experience with maps and tablets before
 - All participants would like to use the app for education or for leisure
 - Children liked audio feedback, students did not
 - All participants liked the visual feedback (Smiley)
 - More feedback mechanisms (hints or distance)



Conclusions

- Ori-Gami as an educational game
 - Performed well in the usability test
 - Fits curricular and developmental "requirements"
- Ori-Gami as an measurment tool for spatial competencies
 - Recording facilities
- Ori-Gami as a game for language learning!



Future Work

- Further development of Ori-Gami
 - More game-elements
 - Recommender system for the editor
 - Ori-Gami in AppStore
 - WebApp with GPS-use



Thank you for your attention!

Questions?

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