



VIRTUAL REALITY:  
**The Good, The Bad, & The Ugly**

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*FINDINGS FROM A HYBRID DIESEL PROGRAM*



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# Presenter Introduction

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# Diesel by Distance



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WHAT IS

# Virtual Reality?

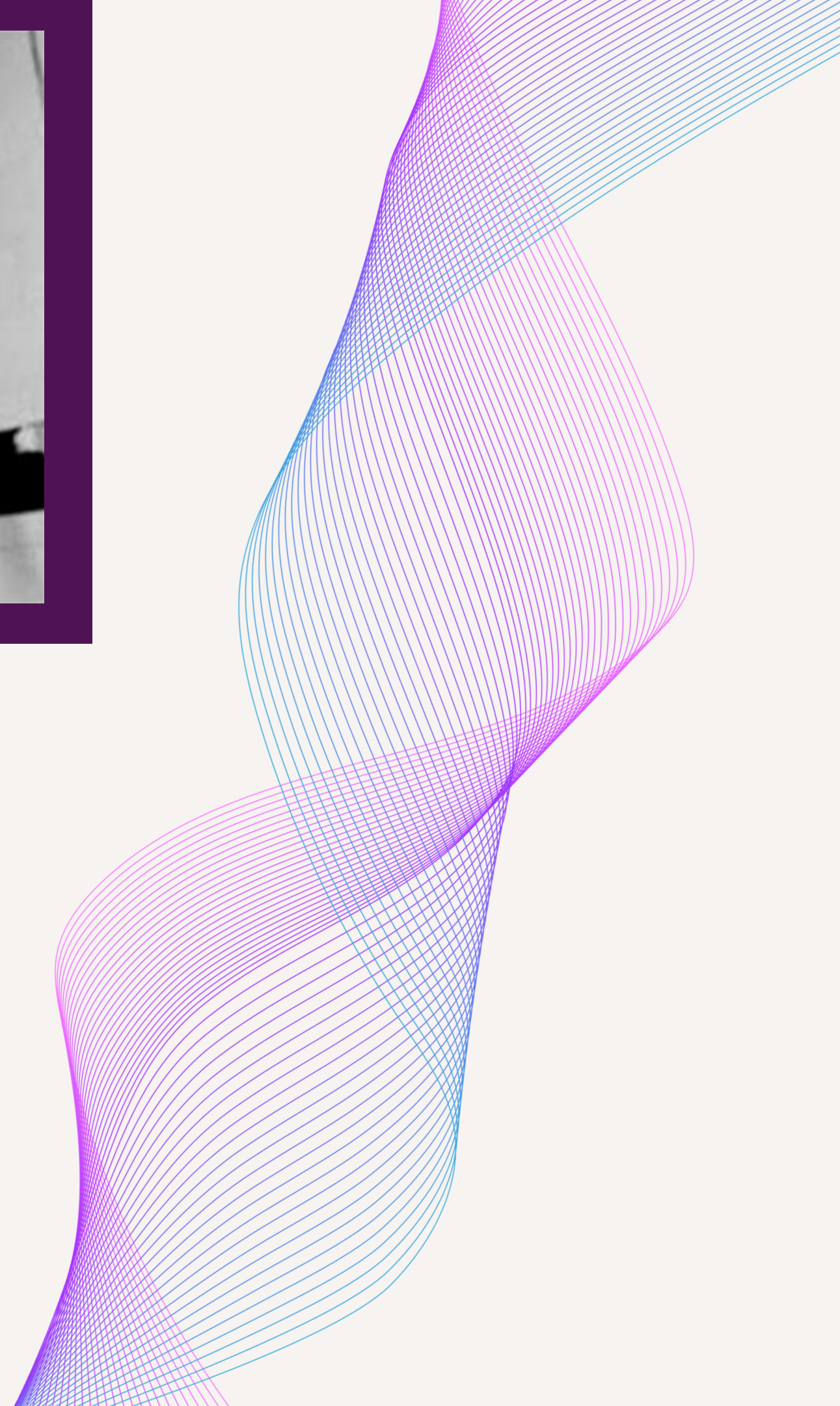




THE BEGINNING OF VR & VR IN EDUCATION

**In 1968,**

Harvard Professor Ivan Sutherland and students created what was considered to be the first head-mounted display system for use in immersive simulation applications, called **The Sword of Damocles**.



# Current State of VR

## GROWTH

The industry is growing at a fast pace, with the global VR market size projected to increase from less than 12 billion U.S. dollars in 2022 to more than 22 billion U.S. dollars by 2025.

## CHALLENGE

VR has not yet reached its full potential. More time is needed to make it more accessible and reduce development costs.

# The GOOD







# The GOOD

01. WORKPLACE TRAINING

02. THERAPY FOR PHOBIAS & PTSD

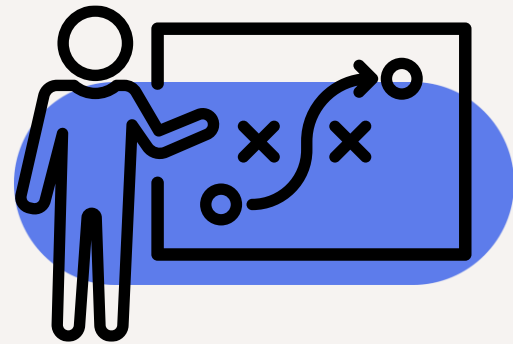
03. ENHANCED GAMING EXPERIENCES

04. VIRTUAL TOURISM

05. RECRUITING

# The GOOD

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ONE ON ONE WITH  
DIGITAL COACH



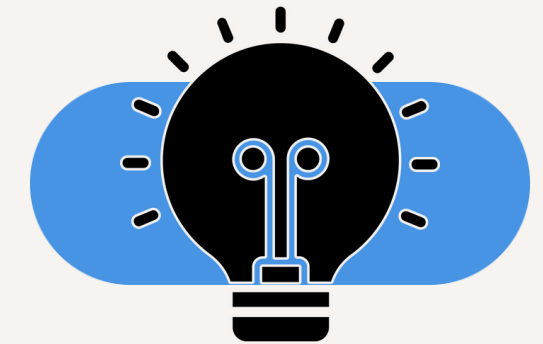
MEET THE  
STUDENT WHERE  
THEY'RE AT  
(ABILITY TO TRAIN  
ANYWHERE)



DIFFERENT, FUN,  
INTERACTIVE  
TRAINING LIKE  
NEVER BEFORE IN  
A DIESEL  
PROGRAM



RECRUITING



OFFER  
OPPORTUNITIES  
YOU COULDN'T  
BEFORE

# The BAD

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# The BAD

**01.** HEALTH  
CONCERNS

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**02.** TECHNOLOGICAL  
LIMITATIONS

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**03.** COST AND  
ACCESSIBILITY

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**04.** PRIVACY AND  
DATA SECURITY

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# The BAD



ABILITY TO TRAIN ANYWHERE... WITHIN REASON, WIFI NEEDED, SPACING



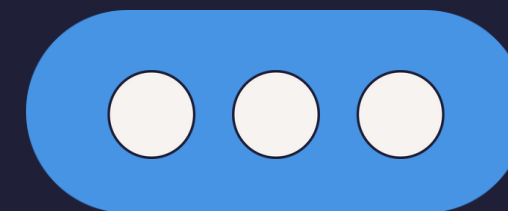
EXPENSIVE TO DEVELOP AND MAINTAIN



TENDS TO ATTRACT THOSE WHO HAVE NO INTENTION OF TAKING A DIESEL PROGRAM, JUST WANT TO USE AN OCULUS



GETS THEM FAMILIAR BUT NOT EXACT, CAN'T DETERMINE WEIGHT, HOW DIFFICULT TO GET IN AN AREA

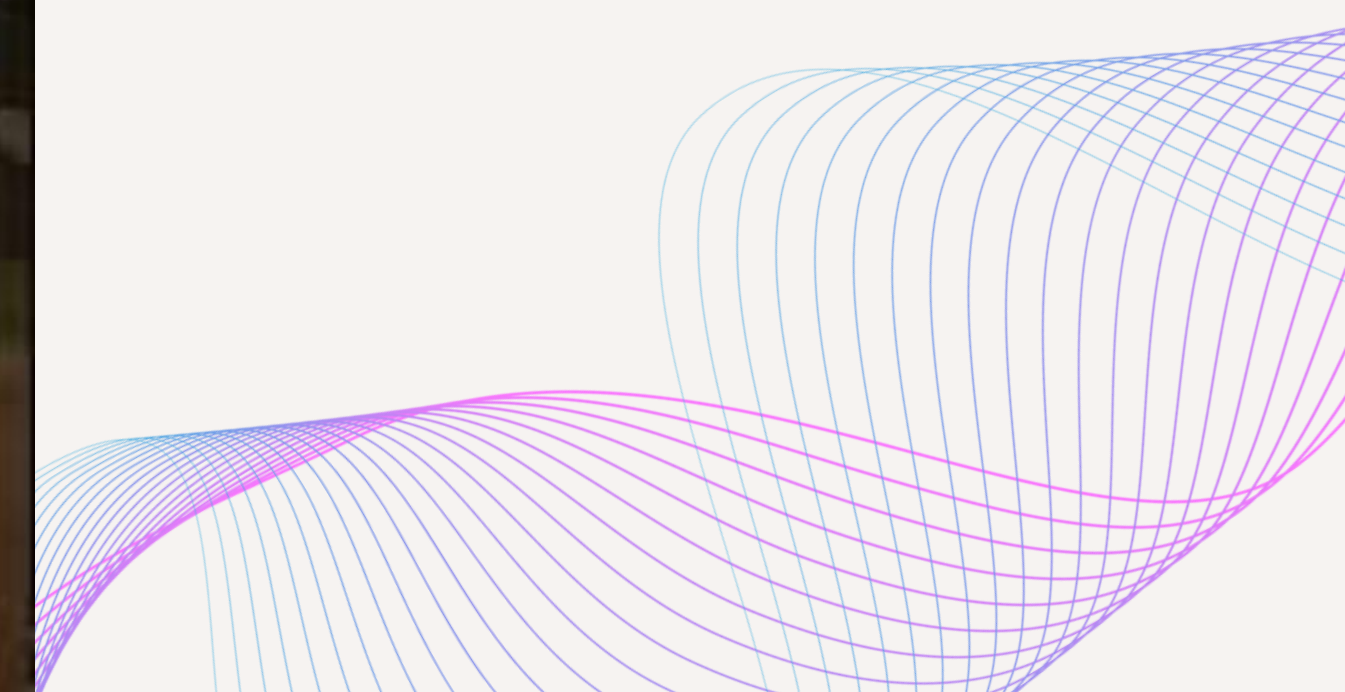
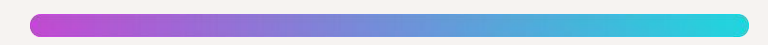


NOT FOR EVERYONE, PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

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# The UGLY



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01. ADDICTION AND ESCAPISM

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02. SOCIAL ISOLATION

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03. DIGITAL DIVIDE

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04. INJURIES & PROPERTY DAMAGES

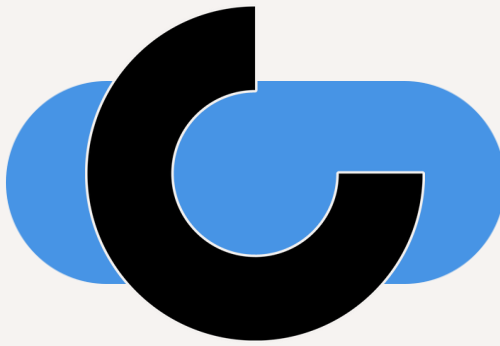
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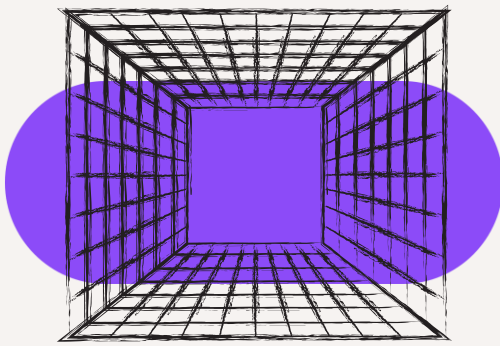
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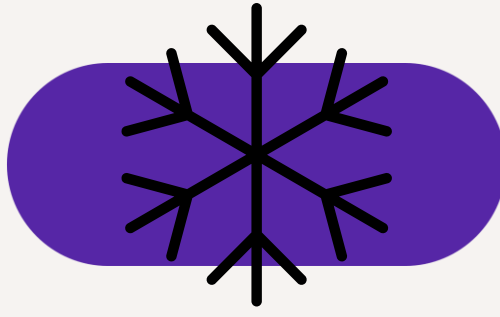
SICKNESS



WILLINGNESS TO COMPLETE THE SIMULATIONS



FALSE SENSE OF REALITY



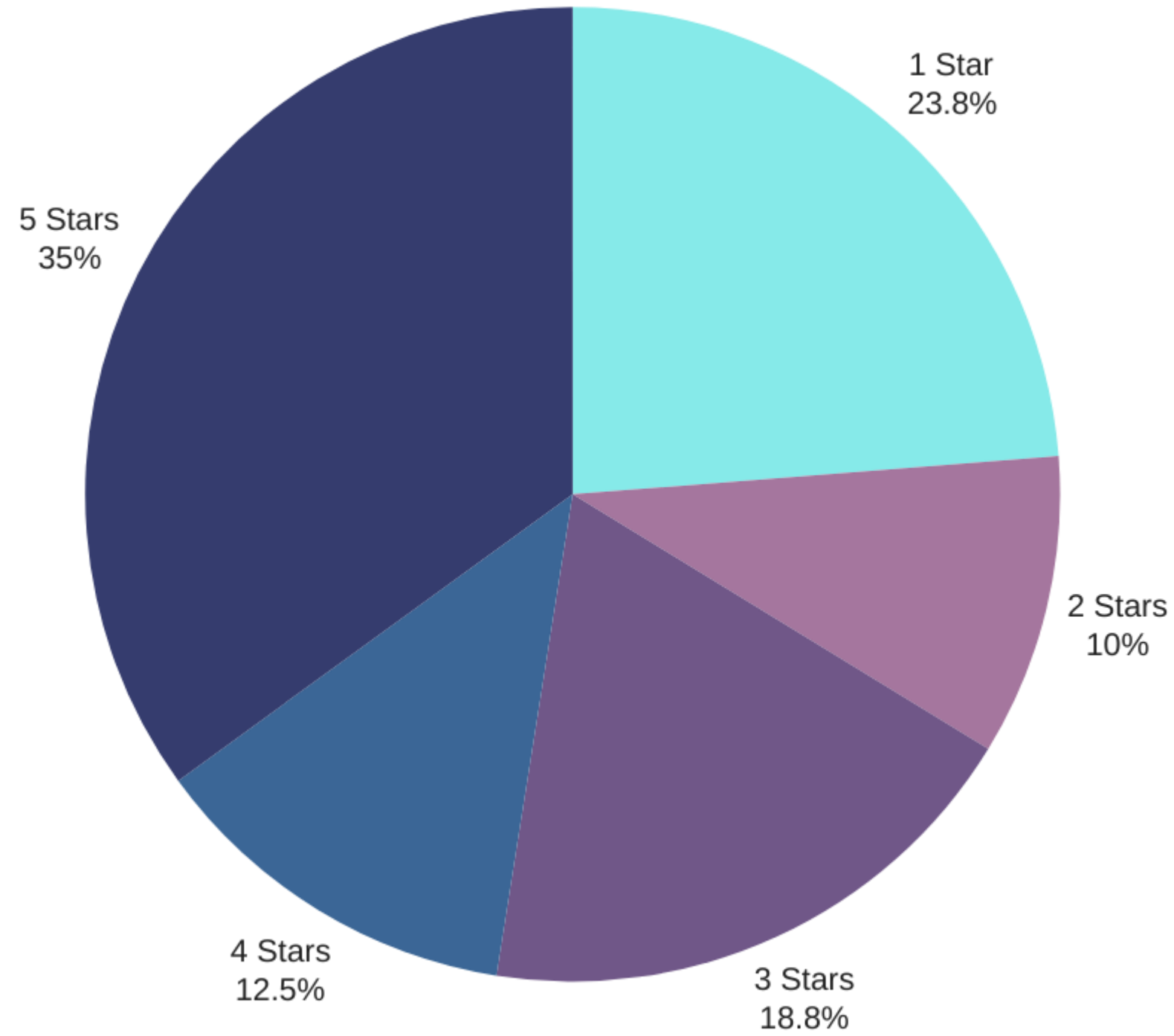
FREEZES/GLITCHES



DISCOMFORT



# STUDENTS RATE VR



# Preventative Maintenance Simulations

1. Lifting Devices
2. Tire Inspection
3. Tire Replacement
4. Oil and Filter Service
5. Fuel and Air System Filter Service
6. Fundamental Analysis - Air Compressor Replacement
7. Fundamental Analysis - Air Distribution System
8. Fundamental Analysis - Valve Arrangement
9. Drum Brake Inspection and Repair
10. Parking Brakes Analysis and Repair
11. CAM Brake Replacement
12. Wheel Ends
13. Steering Gearbox Replacement
14. Tie Rod End Replacement
15. Remove & Replace Steering Linkages
16. Kingpin Assembly Inspection
17. Kingpin Replacement
18. Shock Absorber Replacement
19. Leaf Spring Replacement
20. Drive Train Inspection
21. Battery Replacement
22. Starter Replacement
23. Engine Analysis

# Engine Analysis Simulations

1. Turbocharger, Exhaust Manifold and Thermostat Housing Removal & Disassembly (Exhaust System Removal)
2. Air Intake, EGR and Crankcase Ventilation Removal
3. Fuel Supply System and Cam Gear Removal
4. Valve Train, Valve Camshaft, Injector Camshaft and Cylinder Head Removal & Disassembly (Cylinder Overhaul)
5. Cylinder Head Analysis
6. Cylinder Head Integrity Process
7. Cylinder Head Disassembly and Assembly
8. Cylinder Liner and Head Valve Protrusion Tests
9. Cylinder Head Installation
10. Dual Overhead Cam and Valvetrain Installation
11. Fuel Supply System Installation
12. Air Intake, EGR, and Crankcase Ventilation Assembly
13. Turbocharger, Exhaust Manifold and Thermostat Housing Installation & Assembly (Exhaust System Installation)
14. Valve and Injector Adjustments
15. Timing and Backlash Procedure Part 1
16. Timing and Backlash Procedure Part 2
17. Crankshaft Removal
18. Piston and Connecting Rod Removal
19. Cylinder Liner Removal and Reinstallation
20. Main Bearing Replacement
21. Crankshaft End Play Measurement
22. Piston Assembly and Measurement
23. Piston and Bearing Installation



# Future of VR

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## TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCEMENTS

- Improved hardware and software
- Integration with AI and other technologies

## POTENTIAL SOLUTIONS TO CURRENT ISSUES

- Addressing health concerns
- Improving accessibility and affordability

## EXPANSION

- New fields adopting VR technology
- Potential societal impacts

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# Conclusion & Takeaways



Not for everyone - offer trainings with multi-device capabilities



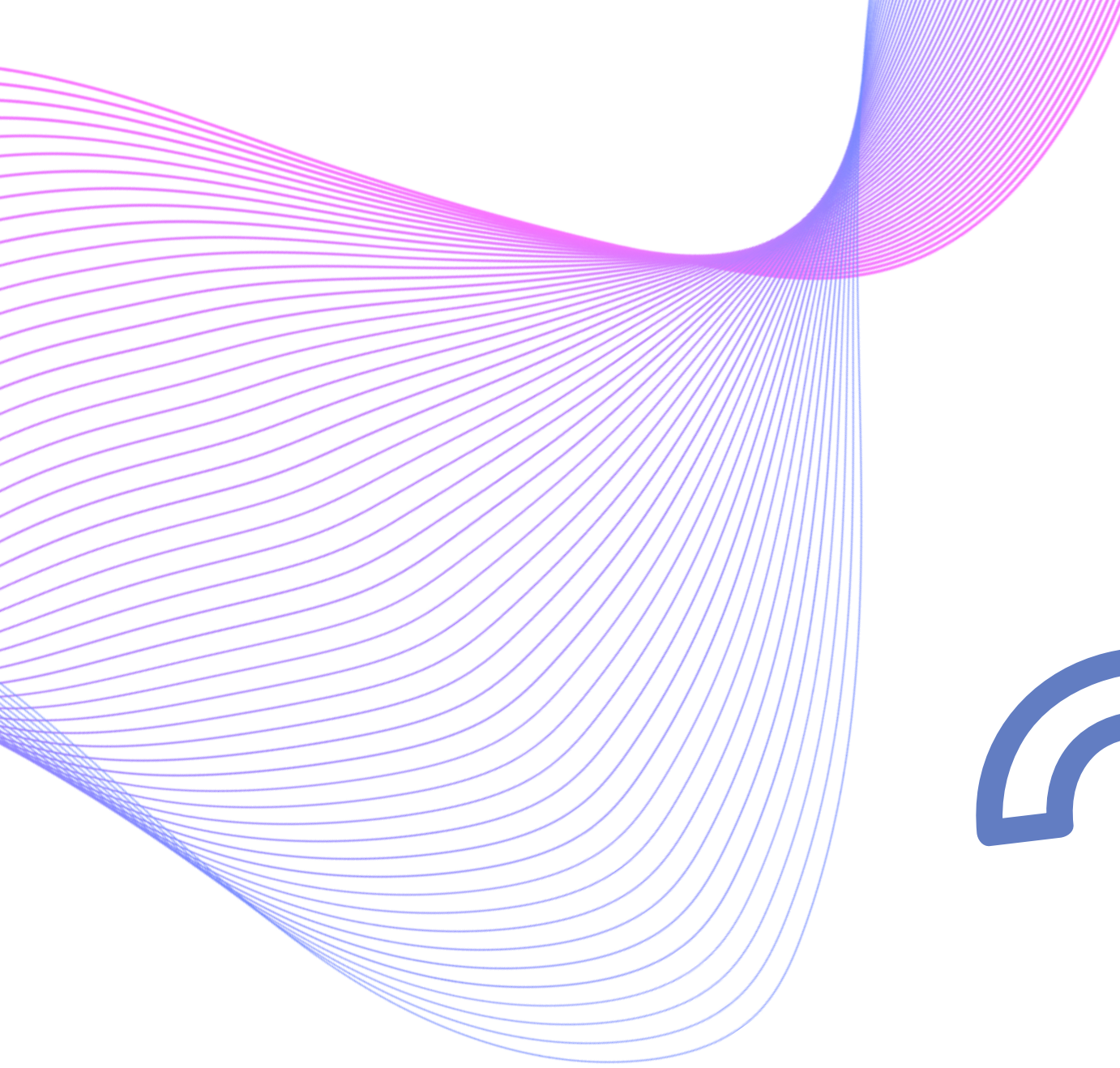
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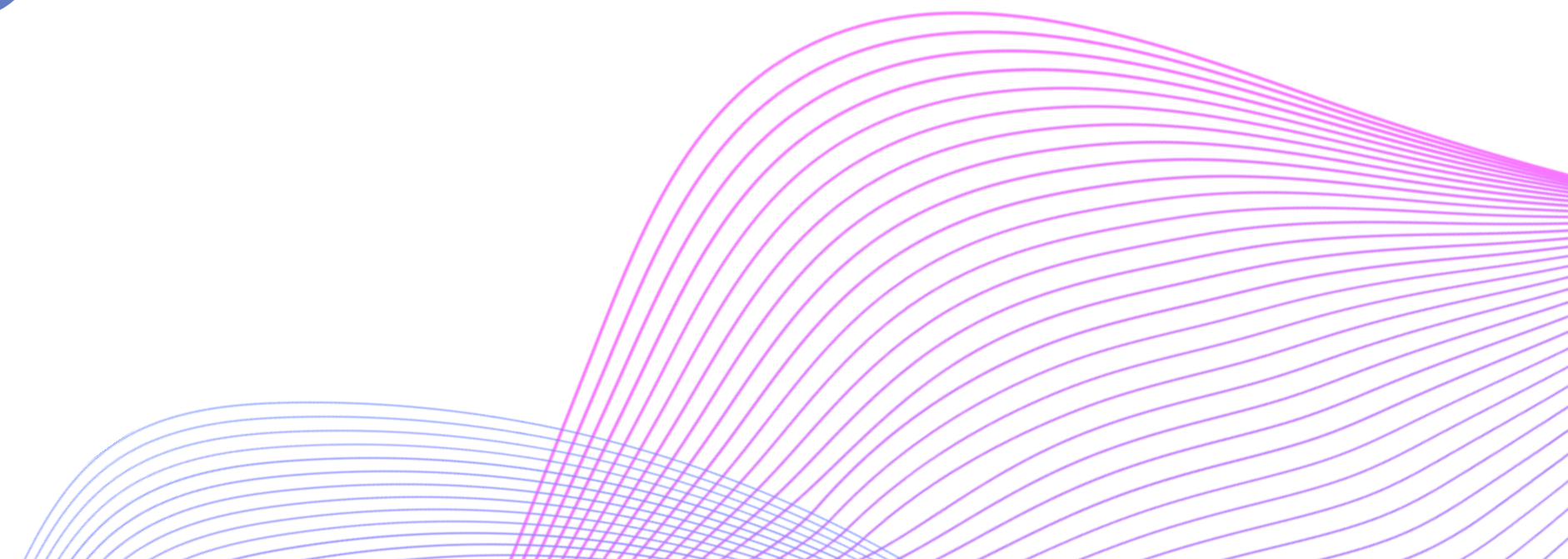
AR or mixed reality in place of VR



VR advancements will improve overall useage



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