

# THE EFFECT OF PRESENTING LONG DOCUMENTS WITH LARGE HIGH-RESOLUTION DISPLAYS ON COMPREHENSION OF CONTENT AND USER EXPERIENCE

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# Introduction

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# Problem

- ▣ Comprehending long documents (e.g., ETDs) :
  - Is time-consuming
  - Requires a massive amount of cognitive resources
  
- ▣ Define 'comprehension' in this study:
  - 1) Seeing the forest : understand overall content
  - 2) Seeing the trees: find/re-find/compare/contrast information detail in the content

# Research Question 1

- ▣ Does viewing all the pages of a long document on an LHRD improve users' **overall understanding** of the content?



# Research Question 2

- ▣ Does viewing all the pages of a long document on an LHRD improve users' **information finding and comparisons**?

# Research Question 3

- ▣ Does viewing all the pages of a long document on an LHRD provide a better **user experience**?



# Large High-Resolution Displays (LHRD)



# Hypotheses

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# Hypothesis 1

- ▣ The users of the Gigapixel display will summarize a long document with better quality compared to those in the Single Monitor or Paper on Table groups.

# Hypothesis 2

- ▣ The participants in the Gigapixel group will find/compare information in a long document faster than those in the Single Monitor or Paper on Table groups.

# Hypothesis 3

- ▣ The Gigapixel group will answer more accurately in finding/comparing information, when compared to either the Single Monitor or Paper on Table group.



# Hypothesis 4

- ▣ Participants in the Gigapixel group and Paper on Table group will perceive a higher level of efficiency and effectiveness for using their display medium compared to the Single Monitor group.



# Experiment

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# Participants (1/2)

- ▣ 12 grad students (5 female, 7 male)
  - 4 people participated in each of 3 settings
- ▣ Ages 22-40 years
- ▣ Familiarity of resource type:
  - Web pages > conference proceedings > journal articles > theses & dissertations

# Participants (2/2)

- ▣ Preference for text presentation (1:least - 5:most):
  - Computer screen: 4.25 out of 5
  - Paper: 3.17 out of 5
  - Reasons: digital docs are easier to manage/search/store
- ▣ Read texts on computer screens
  - More than 8 hrs/week
- ▣ In ETDs, participants were interested in:
  - Specific info (75%)
  - Methodologies (75%), literature reviews (83.3%)
  - Overall topics (50%)

# Gigapixel Experiment Video

- ▣ Example video

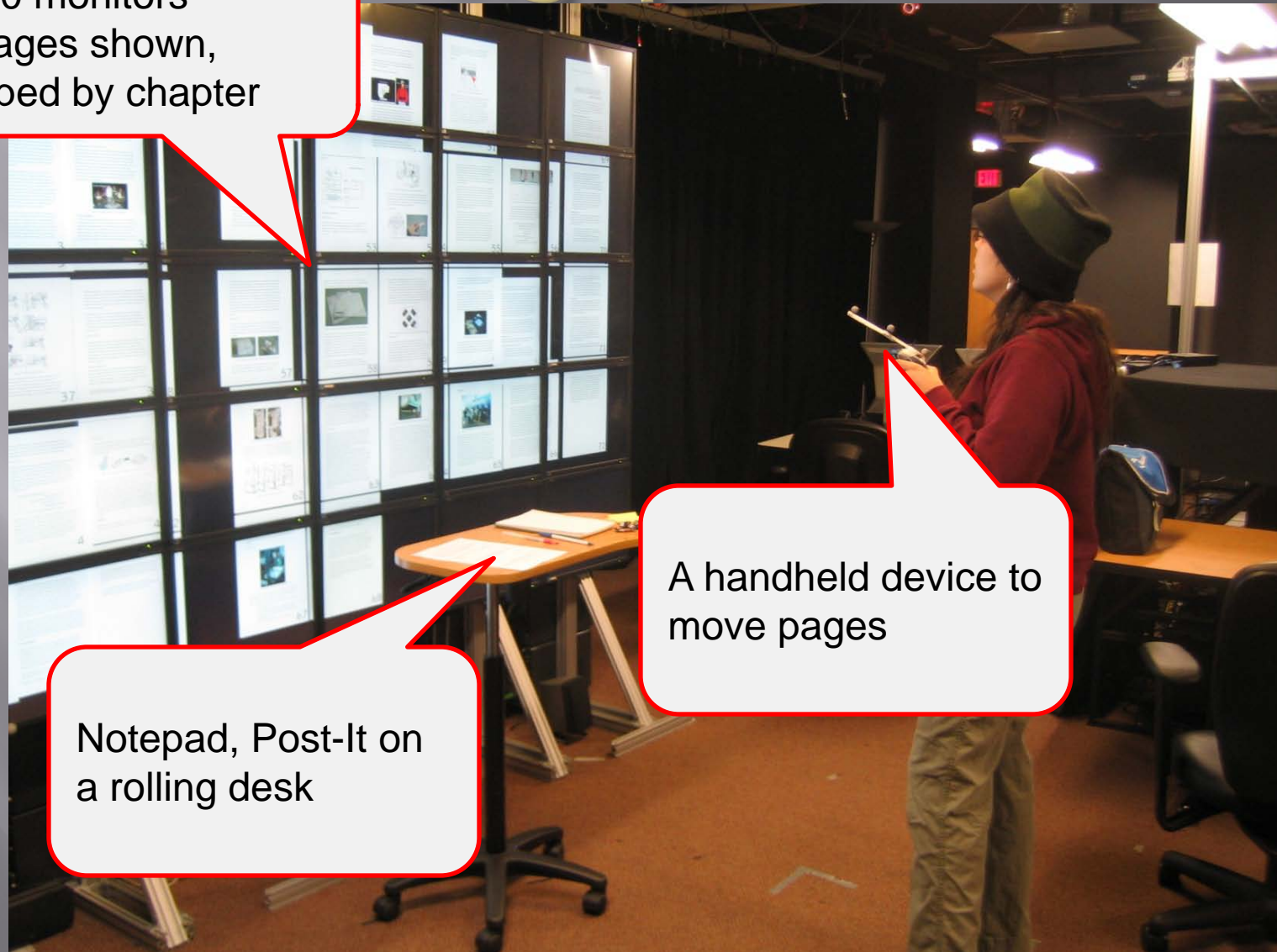
# Experimental Setting

- ▣ A Master's thesis, "The Design of Active Workspace," was used
  - Approx. 70 pages
  - Easy reading, HCI-related paper
  - Font size of each page enlarged
- ▣ 3 Settings
  - Gigapixel
  - Paper on Table
  - Single Monitor



# Gigapixel

5 x 10 monitors  
All pages shown,  
grouped by chapter

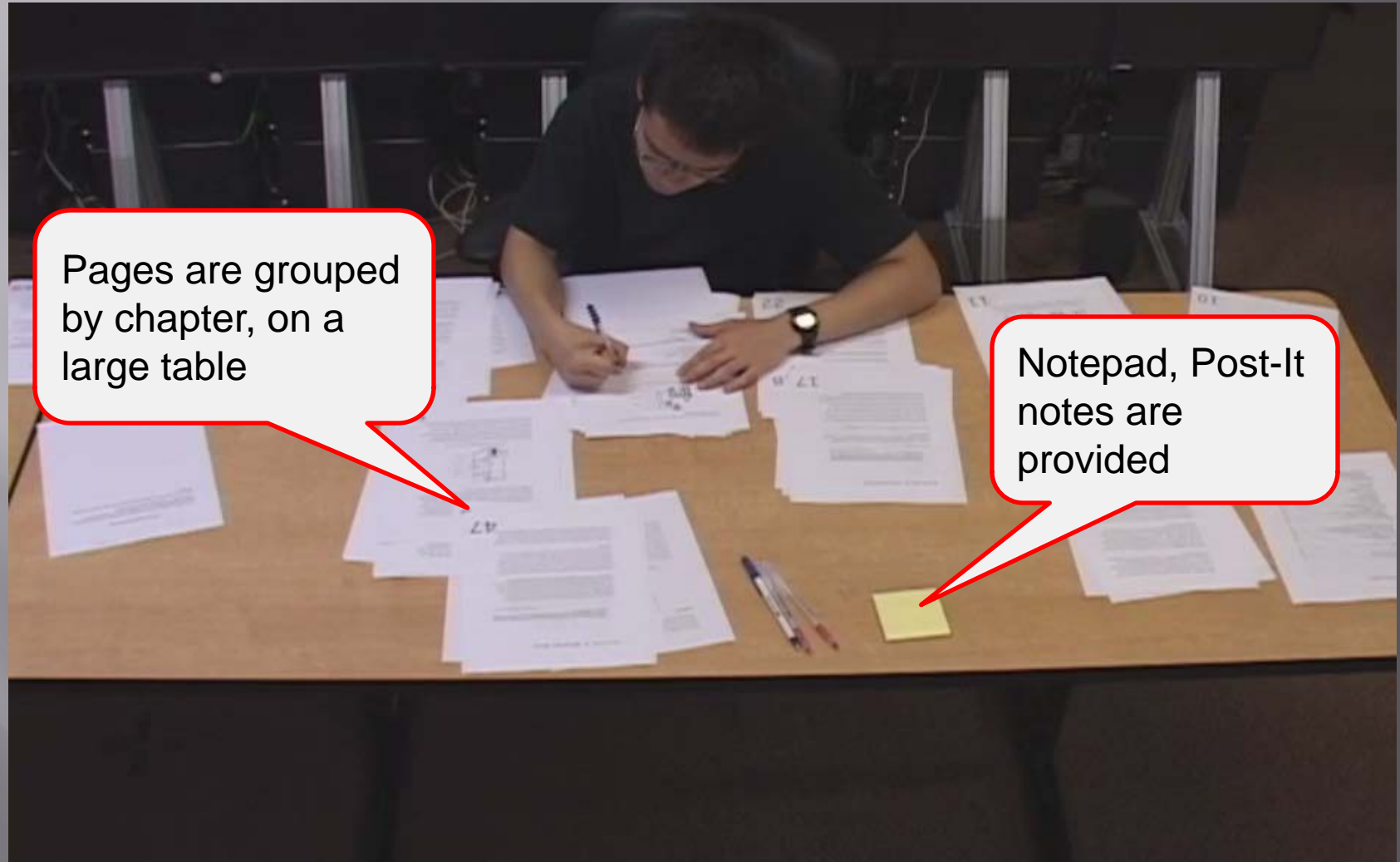


A handheld device to  
move pages

Notepad, Post-It on  
a rolling desk



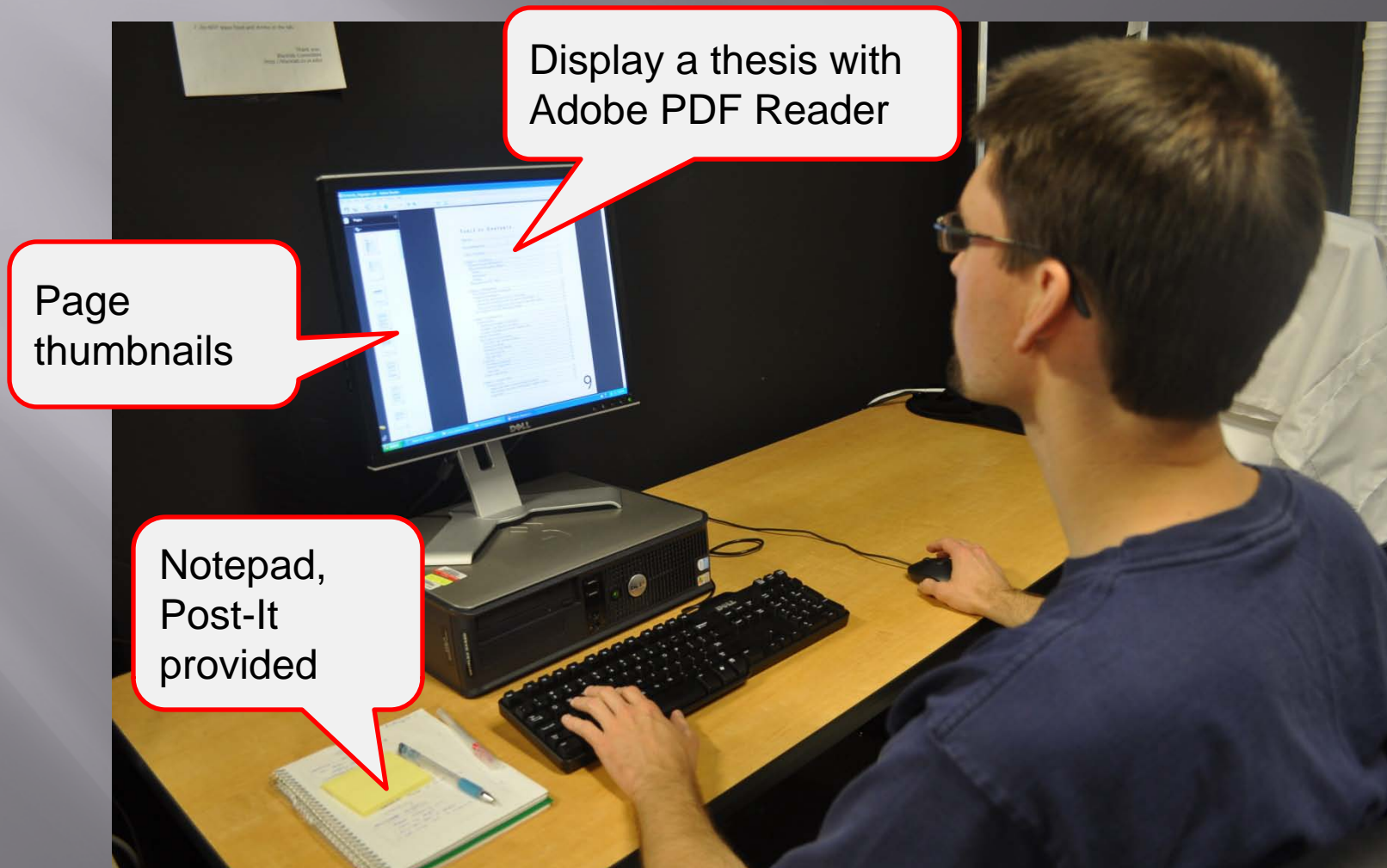
# Paper on Table



Pages are grouped by chapter, on a large table

Notepad, Post-It notes are provided

# Single Monitor



Display a thesis with  
Adobe PDF Reader

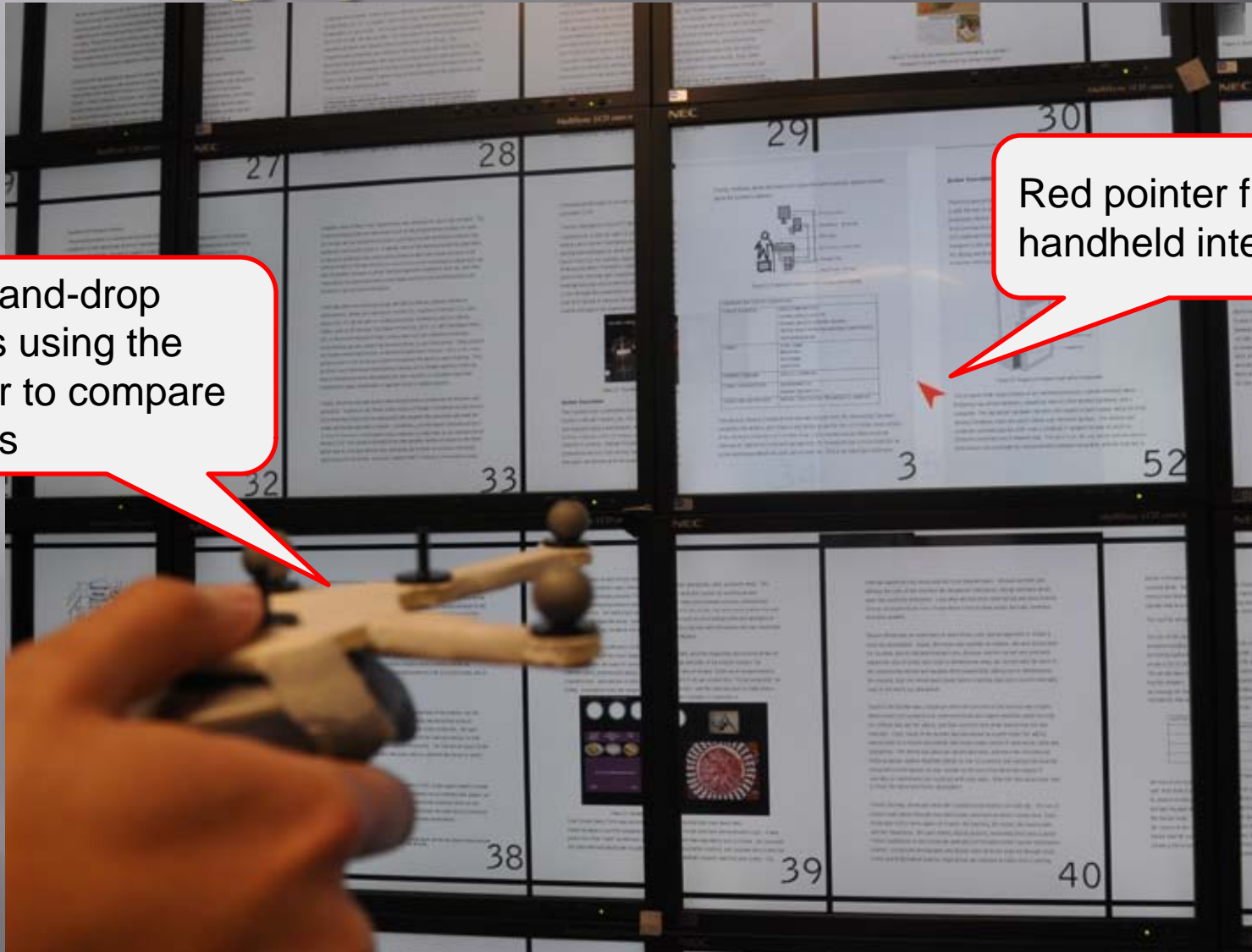
Page  
thumbnails

Notepad,  
Post-It  
provided

# Gigapixel ETD Viewer

Drag-and-drop pages using the trigger to compare figures

Red pointer from the handheld interface



# Tasks and Procedure

- ▣ Participants performed two tasks:
- ▣ **Task 1** for overall comprehension
  - Read thesis for 30 minutes, move/reorganize pages
  - Write 200-300 word summary
- ▣ **Task 2** for info finding/comparison (6 questions)
  - Q 1,2: finding specific info
  - Q 3: similarities and differences between systems
  - Q 4: finding info based on another info
  - Q 5,6: comparing figures, figure details

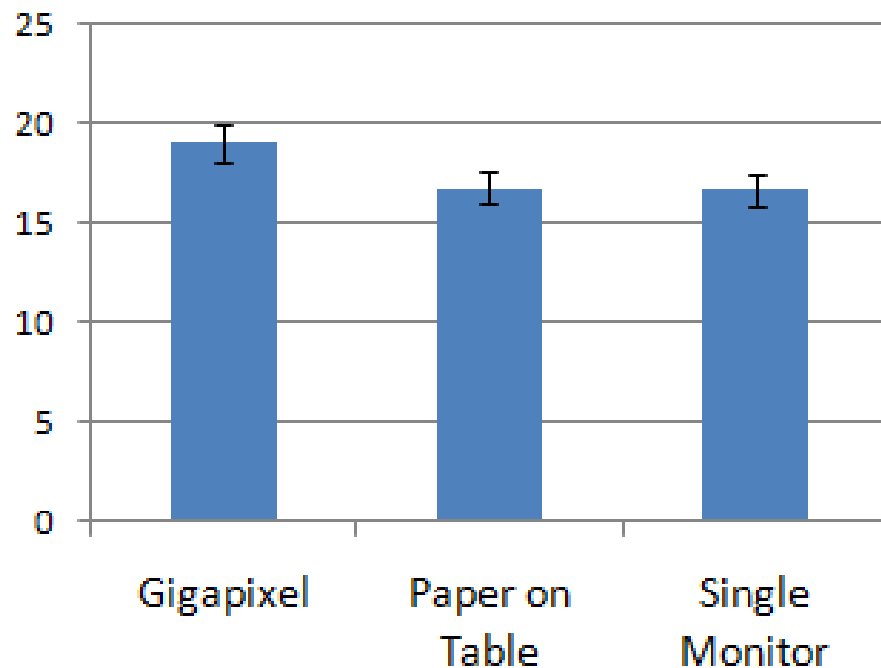


# Results and Discussions

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  - User Behaviors
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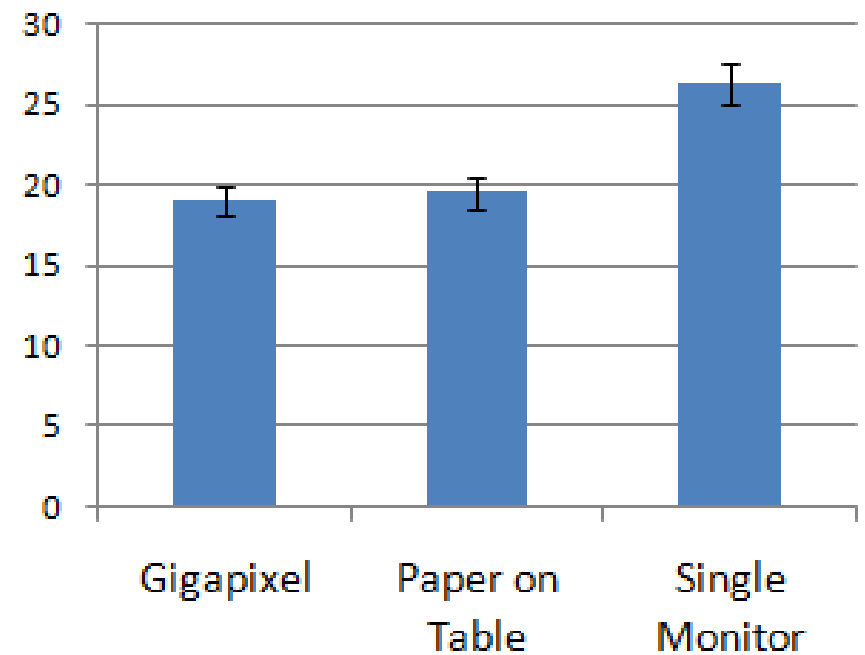
# Group Average Time of Task 1&2

Task 1: Summary Time (min.)



**(a)**

Task 2: Total Time (min.)

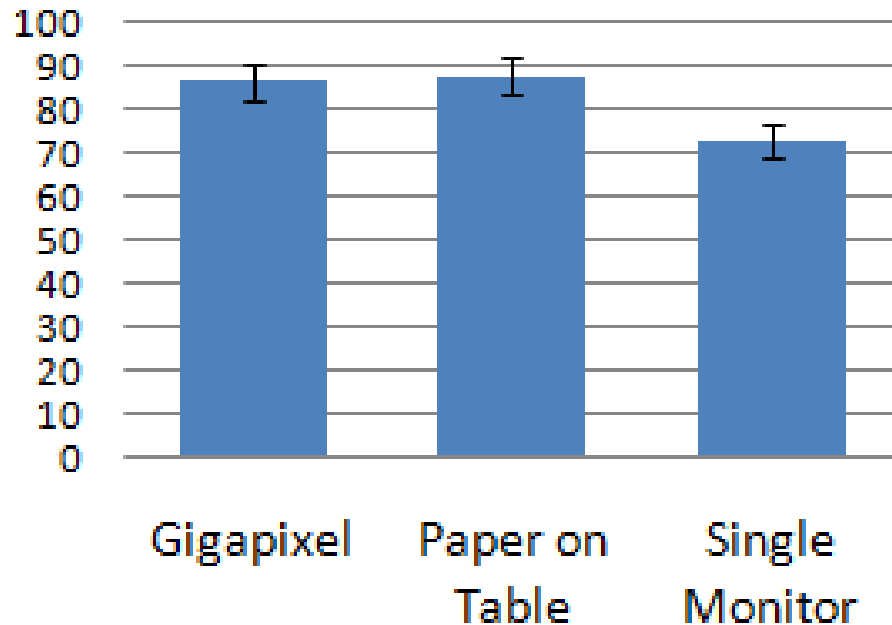


**(b)**



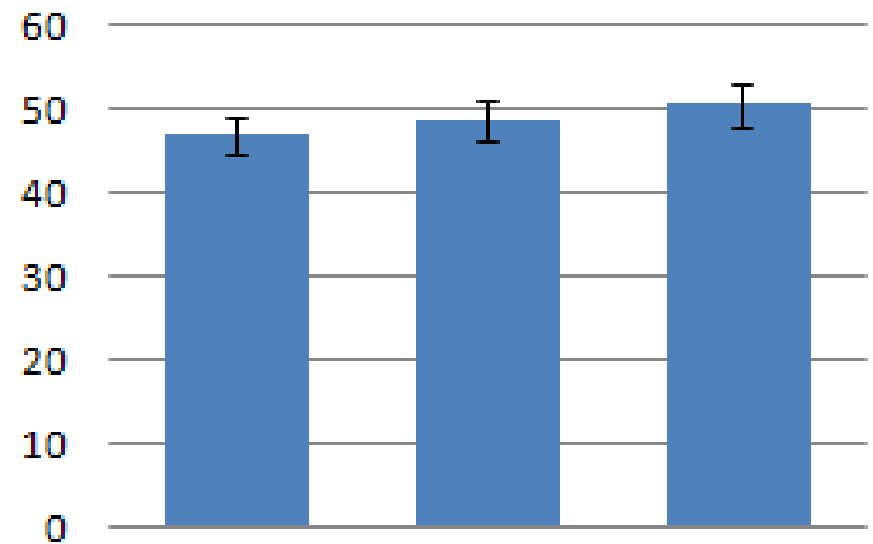
# Group Average Score of Task 1&2

Task 1: Summary Score  
(max. 100)



**(a)**

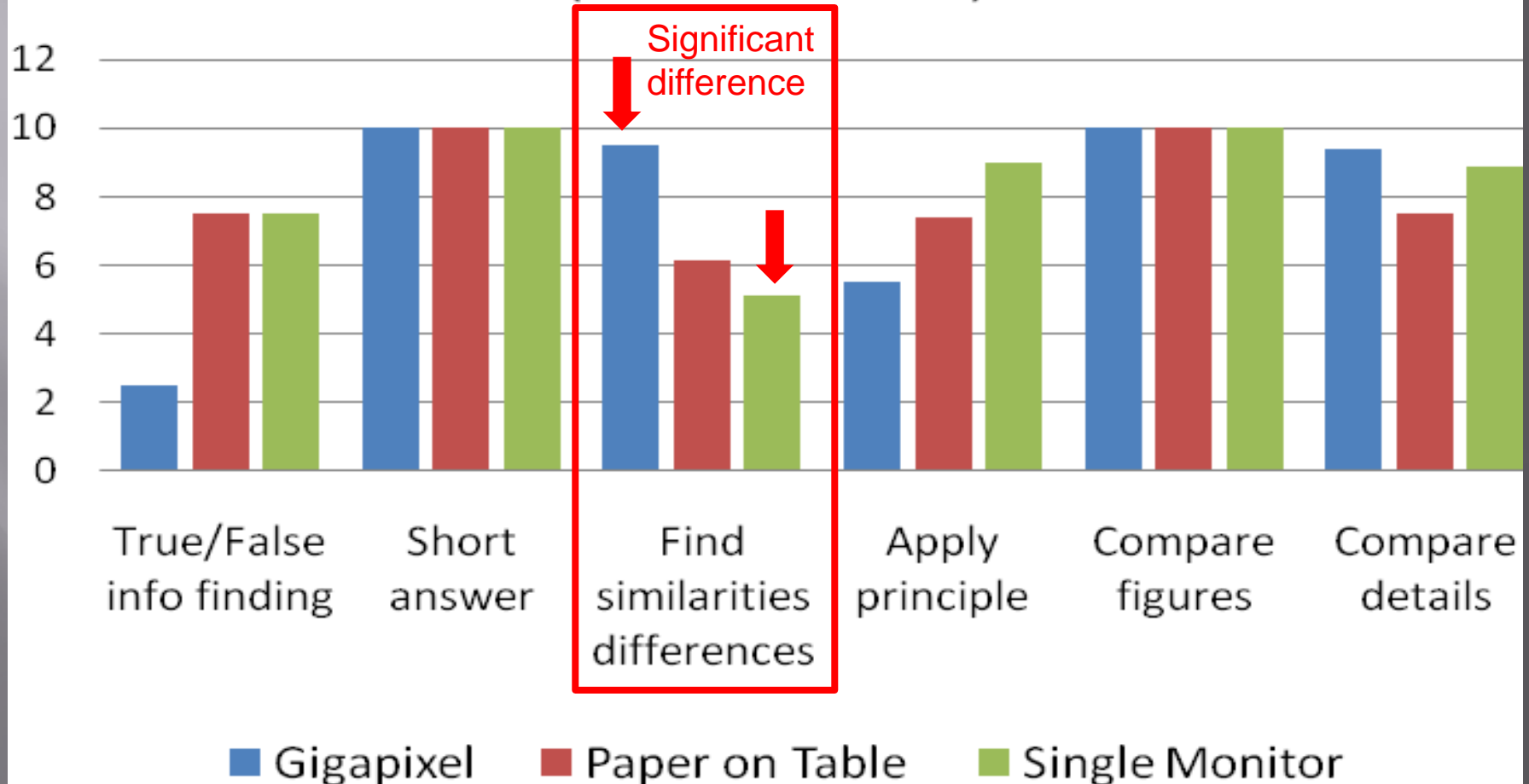
Task 2: Total Score (max. 60)



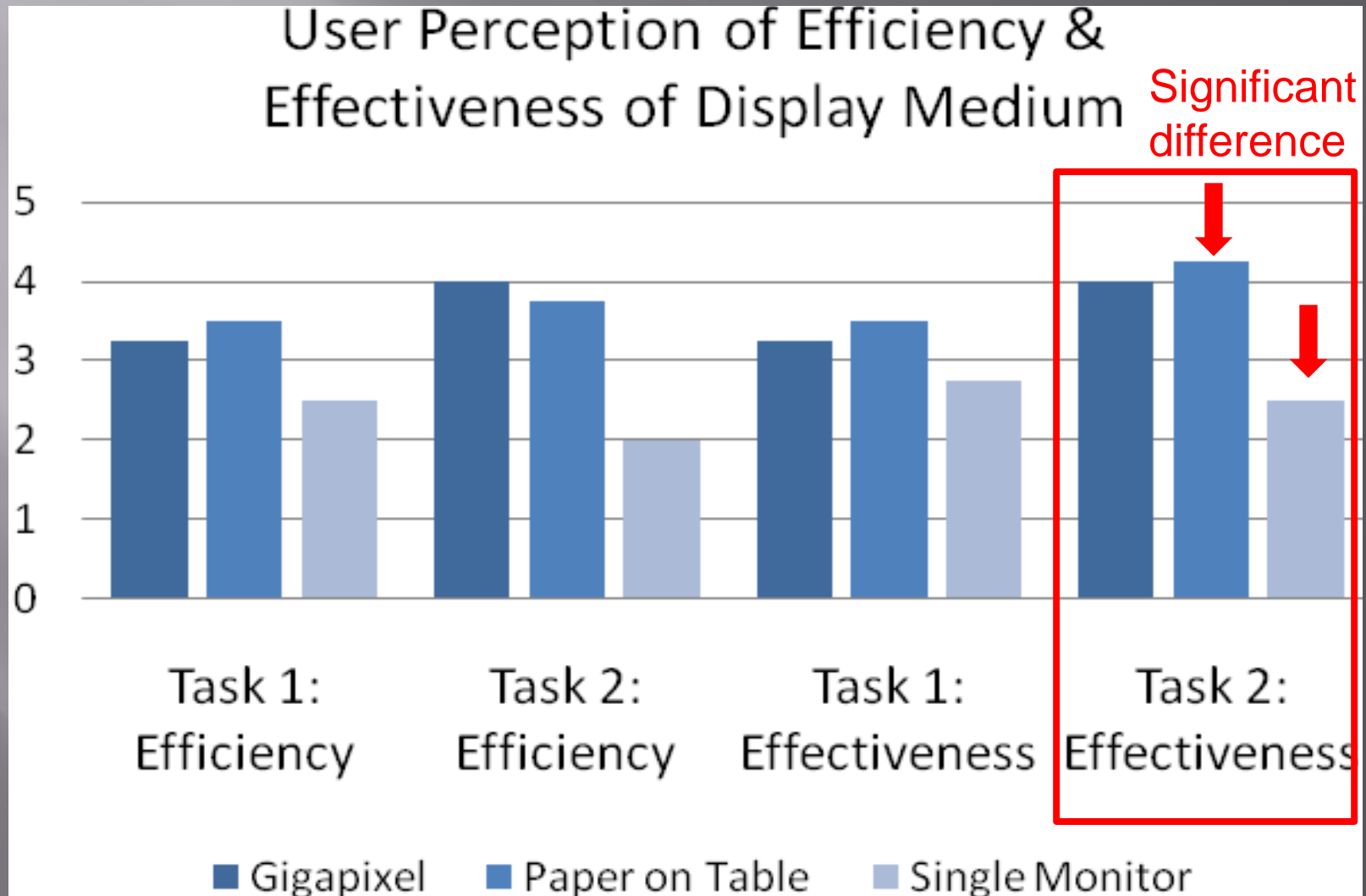
**(b)**

# Group Average Score of Questions in Task 2

Task 2: Info Finding & Comparison Score  
(max. 10 each)



# User Perception of Efficiency & Effectiveness



# List of Significant Results

- ▣ Group average score for task 2, question 3:
  - Gigapixel group >> Single Monitor group
  - Partially confirming *Hypothesis 3*
  
- ▣ User perception of effectiveness for task 2
  - Paper on Table group >> Single Monitor group
  - Partially confirming *Hypothesis 4*

# User Behaviors

Four common behaviors identified from observations and post-questionnaire analysis

1. Physical Navigation
2. Reading and Page Switching Strategies
3. Arrangement of Pages
4. Comparing Pages

# Design Implications

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# Additional Features

- ▣ Annotation, searching, and highlighting
- ▣ Connecting related pages visually
- ▣ Changing page size
- ▣ Multiple document/reference support
- ▣ Supporting different page layouts
- ▣ Aligning pages with bezels
- ▣ Temporary move

# Conclusion and Future Works

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  - Summary
  - Future Plans

# Summary (1/4)

- ▣ Hypotheses 1 and 2 have not been confirmed.
- ▣ In general, compared to the other two groups, people in Gigapixel group could
  1. Summarize the document with better quality
  2. Find/compare information faster
- ▣ But, we did not find a statistically significant effect.

# Summary (2/4)

- ▣ Hypotheses 3 have been partially confirmed.
- ▣ A significant performance improvement by the Gigapixel group was found:
  - Could answer more accurately **only for question 3** in task 2, which is to find similarities and differences of two systems, compared to Single Monitor group.

# Summary (3 / 4)

- ▣ Hypotheses 4 have been partially confirmed.
- ▣ A significant performance improvement by the Paper on Table group was found:
  - Paper on Table group's perception of their performance effectiveness for task 2 was significantly higher than that of Single Monitor group.
  - But, the perceptions of efficiency for task 1,2 and effectiveness for task 1 were **not found to be significant**.



# Summary (4 / 4)

- ▣ Large field of view and physical navigation helped people recognize the structure of the thesis and quickly navigate it to re-find information.
- ▣ Physically navigating to nearby pages is almost instantaneous (eye glance, head rotation); scanning multiple pages or comparing 2 pages is faster.

# Future Plans

- ▣ Incorporate **new features** from Design Implications section
- ▣ Study **collaborative work** using Gigapixel
  - E.g., Two people review scholarly publication together on a Gigapixel
- ▣ Use many **more participants**

Thank you!

Questions?