

LFE Medieninformatik



Augmented Warhammer

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Original Project Idea

- AR realization of a round based tabletop game related to Warhammer 40k
- application observes the game rules and displays additional information
- restricted to two players
- three units per player with unique capabilities
- virtual playfield of 1x1 meter





Realization

- realized in C++ with ARToolkit and OpenGL
- playfield is a virtual area, spanned around a multi-marker
- each unit is represented by one marker
- one marker for round change
- activation of a marker by covering it for two seconds -> all markers must be visible all the time
- three kinds of units
- within one round a player can either move a unit and/or attack or do nothing





Realization

- unit positioning: position of each marker is projected in the 2D surface of the playfield
- movement of the units by moving the markers
- radius of movement and attack are visualized by drawing colored discs around the units
- melee units attack automatically after being moved
- target of distant attack units is selected by activating the corresponding marker















Problems

- units are sometimes displayed above the markers (up to 20cm)
- sometimes problems with the detection of markers







Nice-to-Have

- animations
- variable number of units and players
- alternative solution: activating markers with selection marker
- save and load feature
- interaction sounds