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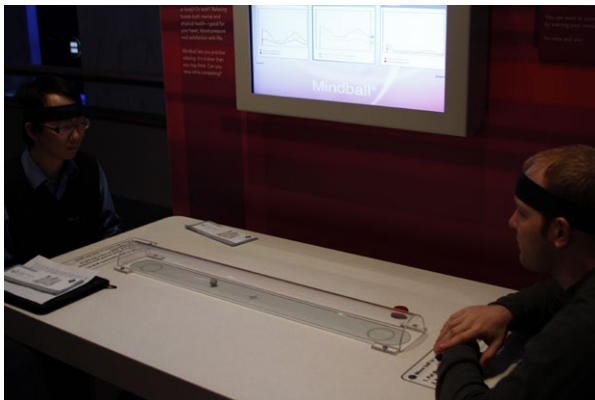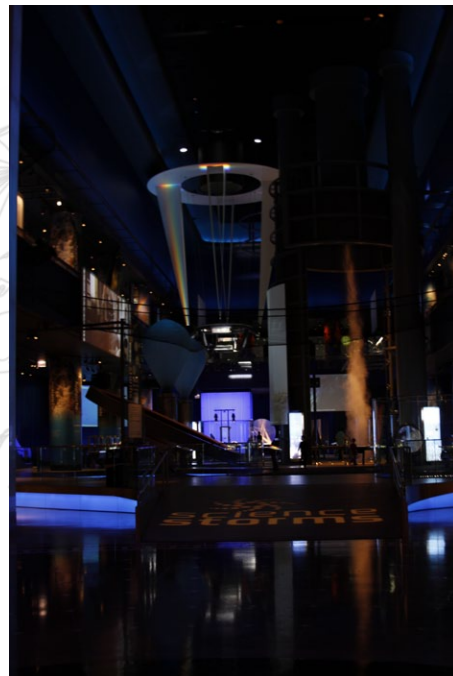**February 10th 2012**

Overview

This week the team was able to make a visit to Chicago, meeting with our client Chicago MSI face to face. we are also getting ready to start paper prototyping for the touch table. Everyone in the team is preparing for the quarter-semester walk-arounds next week.

Progress

This week, the team was able to visit Chicago from Monday to Tuesday. The team met Patty Ward and John Llewelyn from Chicago MSI as well as Jack, Shari and Len from Evidence Design. The team had a brief presentation about our research and ideas in Tuesday morning and received some valuable information and feedbacks. We found out more about the other portions of the exhibit that our experience we would be a part. We were found out that the experience leading into ours would be a very in depth interaction. Less led us to realize that the client wanted a more passive experience so that guests were not overwhelmed. In the afternoon, the team experienced some of the exhibition in the museum.

Kai & Matt playing MindBall at Chicago MSI

Science Storms Exhibit at Chicago MSI

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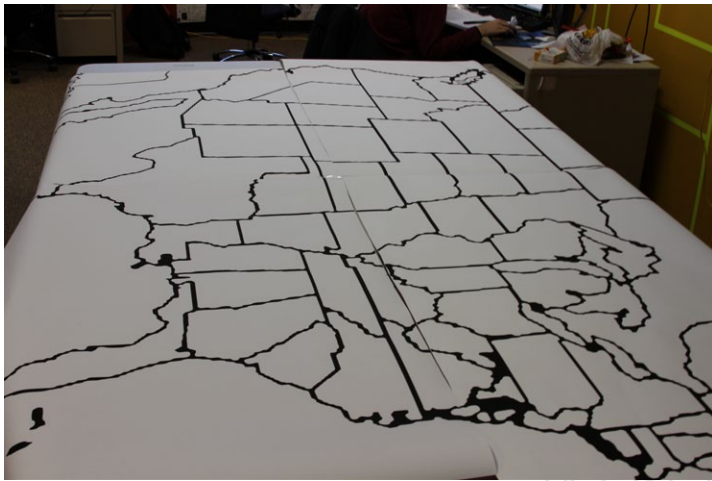
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Progress Continued

From the feedback of client, the team decided to build our first prototype the with paper model while working with the client to decide which hardware we we should use. This prototype is focusing on testing the amount of data visualization on the map before it gets clutter, and user experience with renewable energy information within certain region.

The team is getting ready for the quarter-semester walk-around. Kevin have finished the half sheet and poster for the team. Ricardo is making our web-site and kiosk. The whole team is getting different decoration for the room including posters and different grid lines.

Next Week

Quarter-semester walk-arounds are coming up next Wednesday. We are finishing preparations for our presentation and room decoration by next Monday. For paper prototype, we need to get all the material while working on the basic content and design.

Full scale printed map of the 6'x10' touch table

Implemented design for our outside touch screen

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