READING COMICS, READING CULTURES?

ON HOW TRANSLATION INFLUENCES MANGA READING PATTERNS

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RESEARCH QUESTIONS

• HOW DO DIFFERENT TRANSLATION STRATEGIES AFFECT THE COMPREHENSION OF TRANSLATED COMICS?

DO DIFFERENT TRANSLATION STRATEGIES CREATE DIFFERENT READING PATTERNS?

EXPERIMENTING MANGA

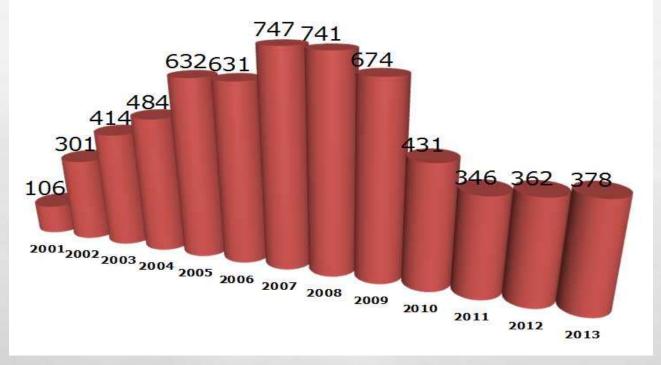
INITIAL SURVEY: MANGA CONSUMPTION HABITS

EXPERIMENT: EYE-TRACKING SESSION AND INTERVIEW

MANGA IN SPAIN

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Cómic asiático en España (2001-13)



New titles published in Spain between 2001-2013 (mangaland.es)

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SURVEY: MANGA READERS IN URV

1) WHY AND WHEN DID THEY START READING MANGA

- 2) READING HABITS (MEDIUM, QUANTITY, INVESTMENT , LANGUAGE)
- 3) RELATED HOBBIES OR PREFERENCES



THE AVERAGE MANGA READER

WOMAN (54%) 20 YRS OLD (MEAN)

BEGAN READING:

-11-15 YRS OLD (53%)

- BECAUSE OF ANIME (87%)

READS IN SPANISH (88%)



READS MOST MANGA ONLINE (75%) READS 2-5 VOL/ MONTH (48%) BUYS 2 VOL/MONTH (AND SPENDS 14,5€) LIKES ANIME (89%) AND VIDEOGAMES (68%)

MATERIAL

•MATERIAL:

- SHIN CHAN > DOMESTICATION
- RANMA $\frac{1}{2}$ > FOREIGNIZATION









O. FOREIGNIZED

A. DOMESTICATED

O. DOMEST.

A. FOREIGN.

EXPERIMENT DESIGN

Ranma 1 Ranma 2		Shin Chan 1		Shin Chan 2			
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RANDOMIZATION

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1 . R1-OF	R2-AD	S1-OD	S2-AF
2. R1-AD	R2-OF	S1-AF	S2-OD

EYE-TRACKING SESSION

QUESTIONNAIRE: OPEN-ENDED QUESTIONS

• FREE RECALL TESTING: FOOD ITEMS AND IMAGE

HUMAN JUDGMENT: ENJOYMENT AND REPRESENTATION

• TOBII X120 EYE-TRACKER

PARTICIPANTS

• NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS: 13 (7 WOMEN AND 6 MEN)

• AGE: 21.8 SD=3.4

ORDER 1: 8 (9) PARTICIPANTS
ORDER 2: 4 PARTICIPANTS





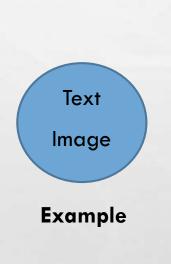
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AREAS OF INTEREST

SELECTION OF RICH POINTS







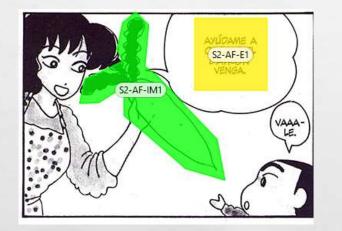
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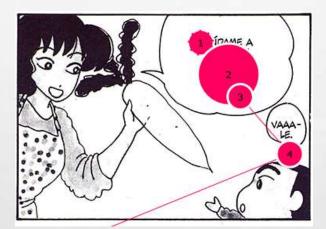
MEAN FIXATION DURATION (MS)

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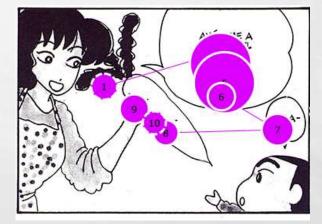
Strategy	Region	Mean	StdDev
Domestication	Image	248,9	167,5
	Text	437,4	429,1
Foreignization	Image	269,9	171,9
	Text	476,3	548,4

READING PATTERNS (1)



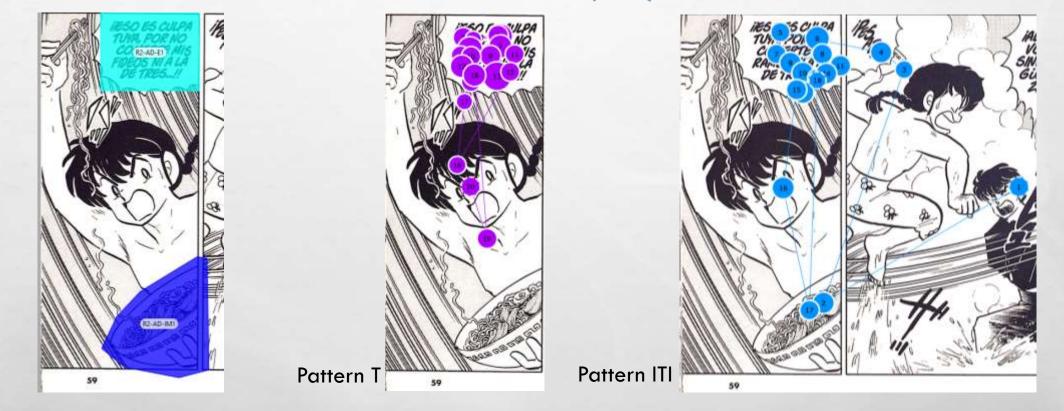


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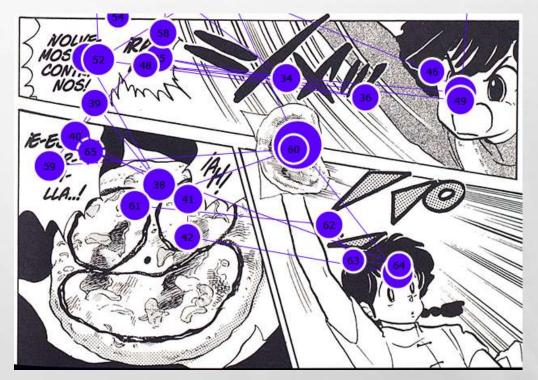
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READING PATTERNS (2)



READING PATTERNS (3)

	Pattern	Domestication	Foreignization
Simple	ІТ	2	3
	т	3	2
	ті	11	6
Complex	ITI	4	7
	ITIT		2
	ΙΤΙΤΙ		1
	ITITIT	1	
	TIT	2	2
	TITI	1	1



Pattern ITITI

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

RESULTS BASED ON 5 COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

Strategy	Mean	StdDev
Domestication	4.5	0.5
Foreignization	4.0	1.2

INITIAL FINDINGS

- FOREIGNIZING STRATEGIES SEEM TO REQUIRE A HIGHER COGNITIVE LOAD.
- PARTICIPANTS SCORED LOWER IN THE FREE RECALL QUESTIONS AFTER READING THE SEGMENTS TRANSLATED USING FOREIGNIZING TECHNIQUES.
- SIMPLE READING PATTERNS ARE MORE COMMON WHEN PARTICIPANTS ARE READING DOMESTICATING TRANSLATIONS.

AND NOW ... WHAT?

- WIDEN THE SAMPLE
- RELATE RESULTS TO FIXATION

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CLUSTER FIXATION BASED ON FIXATION DURATION

 EXPLORE CORRELATIONS BETWEEN THE COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS AND THE READING PATTERNS



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