



The concept

Three aspects have been of major importance for the development of GridSuite

- The user as active interpreter
- Intuitive use
- Open interface to other software

The user as active interpreter

Compared with other programs for grid elicitation and evaluation GridSuite stresses the active role of the user as interpreter of the data – his or her questions and the alternative ways to make sense of the data. For that GridSuite provides several tools. GridSuite provides statistics and calculations, as other programs do, but these are used more in the background here to serve as an aid for the interpretations of the user..

Intuitive use

To facilitate undisturbed concentration on the interpretive work great care was taken to make the use of the program as easy and intuitive as possible.

Open interface to other software

- GridSuite is programmed in Java and can be used under Windows or MacOS.
- GridSuite uses the XML-data format for easy exchange of data with other programs
- GridSuite also provides options to import data from and export data to other grid software.

System requirements

Windows 95 up to 10; MacOS X (with Java 1.4.2_05)

- Trial version available
- Single and site licences
- Year and unlimited licences

More information: www.gridsuite.de

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Features: ✓ included, ✓✓ enhanced		
General		
• Client mode for elicitation	✓	✓✓
• Individualized display settings	✓	✓✓
• Screen texts can be edited in different languages	✓	✓
• Help texts for clients can be edited	✓	✓
• Presentation: Selecting, labelling, marking of screen contents	✓	✓✓
• Pictures and graphics are possible as elements		✓
• Weighting of constructs is possible	✓	✓
• Presetting of interviews	✓	✓✓
Input		
• Input of 'paper-and-pencil' Interviews	✓	✓
• Interactive triadic elicitation of interviews	✓	✓
• ‚Pegasus‘-elicitation: Triadic elicitation with further inquiry	✓	✓
• Full Context Elicitation	✓	✓
• River Chart Elicitation	✓	✓
• Import from other grid software: GridStat, Flexigrid, RepGrid, Enquire Within, Gridcor	✓	✓
Edit		
• Easy to use editor for all interview data	✓	✓
• Import of constructs/elements from other grids	✓	✓
• MergeGrids: Merge grids with same elements but different constructs	✓	✓
• MedianGrid: Aggregated grid of grids with same elements and constructs		✓
Analysis		
General		
• Rawdata: Coloured or numerical display, zoom (sharedgrids)	✓	✓
• Display of extreme ratings and distribution of ratings	✓	✓
• Profiles of element characteristics	✓	✓
MouseSort: computer assisted analysis by hand	✓	✓
Cluster Analysis		
• Graphic dendrogram display	✓	✓
• Matrix display of data	✓	✓
Principal Components Analysis (PCA)		
• Choice of number of components/Varimax-rotation	✓	✓
• Selective display of constructs/elements	✓	✓
• Display of constructs according to weighting	✓	✓
• Context search: Selective display of similar constructs/elements	✓	✓
• Store different views of a grid	✓	✓
SharedGrids		
• Coloured/numerical display of differences between grids	✓	✓
• Dendrogram display of differences between grids	✓	✓
• Easy tracing of differences	✓	✓

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Output		
Export of data: GridStat, Idiogrid, Flexigrid, RepGrid, SPSS, Word, Excel	✓	✓
• Automatic detection of data formats	✓	✓
• Batch mode	✓	✓
Reports: Data for (PDF-) Reports can be selected and saved as profile		✓
Screenshot function: Save screen contents as files	✓	✓
Print	✓	✓
Help		
• Manual in German and English	✓	✓
• Context sensitive help	✓	✓

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