

HUMAN-COMPUTER INTERACTION

ADVANCED LEVEL



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- AND: don't forget to sign up for examination in time!







EXAMINATION

- Written exam at the end of the course
 - theories and methods, concepts, and applying the theories to described cases
- Projects in cooperation with organisations
- 3 seminars that are mandatory, they are marked with * in the schedule page
- This year: NO individual assignment



WHAT YOU ARE EXPECTED TO KNOW FROM INTRODUCTORY HCI

- Quantitative and qualitative data gathering techniques
 - Interview techniques
 - Questionnaires
 - Observation techniques
- Heuristic evaluation
- Design process models



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EXPECTED STUDY RESULTS

After completed course the student should be able to:

- **Analyze** a **complex use situation** for the purpose to identify potentials and requirements for an existing or future user interface
 - Means among other things to apply knowledge about complex cognitive functions in humans and social aspects in a use situation
- **Design** user interaction in complex use situations that meets the identified needs and requirements
- Plan, prepare and conduct evaluation studies of complex use situations
- Select appropriate theories, methods and tools for the abovementioned, and motivate the selections from applicability and utility
- **Apply** and use theories, methods and tools for analysis, design and evaluation of use situations
- Critically analyze applications of theories, methods and tools in evaluation studies and be able to identify results based on scientifically sound methods.



REPRESENT A PROBLEM / USE SITUATION USING DIFFERENT METHODS

- A Running Example: By using the same task/problem (same scenario), but different analysis tools their advantages and drawbacks can be identified and illuminated
- Methods to apply:
 - Activity Theory
 - CWA
 - Distributed cognition
 - GOMS
 - Design rationale: claim specification and analysis
 - Formal method for representing dialogues



SCENARIO OUTLINE: DELIVERING THIS COURSE

- We have a common experience of this particular course and therefore we will use it for this task.
- The course started with your registration to the course or the first lecture (the first event in time). Disregard any preparations done by e.g., lecturer before this date.
- The course ends with a written examination including its valuation (decision-making), which will be the focus to adjust and include in a future scenario
- Vision: computer-based and dialogue-based (formal argumentation) alternative method for examination.
- Be free to use any appropriate level or scope of this scenario to solve each tasks



COURSE CONTAINS:

- Moment 1, theory part, 4.5 HP
 - The course contains among other things task analysis, GOMS, participatory design, activity theory, Distributed Cognition, Cognitive Work Analysis, evolutionary design, design rationale, ethnography and ethnometodology.
- Moment 2, assignments, 3 HP





PURPOSES AND STRUCTURE FOR THE COURSE

- Week 4: Main focus: Assessing the big picture
 - Activity analysis
- Week 5: Main focus: Assessing the details and involving users
 - Task analysis, roles
- Week 6-7: Main focus: *Applying in real use/design scenarios*
 - Objectives/outcome themes: Empowerment, autonomy, behavioral change, personalization, ...
- Week 8: Main focus: *Understanding use situations and act upon this*
 - Seminar I: discussing the results of the abovementioned
- Week 9: Main focus: Evaluation
- Week 10-11: Main focus: *Digestion*
 - Peer review, seminar II: discussing the results
- Week 12: Main focus: Contemplation
 - Lecture: repetition
- Week 13: Main focus: Completion



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Donald Norman. Human-Centered Design Considered Harmful.

Interactions, 12. 4, (July + August, 2005). Pp. 14-19. http://www.jnd.org/dn.mss/human-centered_design_considered_harmful.html



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Figur 2.1 Olika designtyper presenteras i en övergripande karta över designforskning. Sanders (2008:14) © Association of Computer Machinery,

LITERATURE

- John M. Carroll, ed.: HCI Models, Theories and Frameworks and articles
- Textbook out of print, articles from the university library and the Internet
- University library: www.ub.umu.se
- choose Journals (Tidskrifter)
- insert journal name to search
- Detailed information can be found on the course website, literature link
- Use CAS login when outside the university





WHAT IS A "COMPLEX USE SITUATION"?

HISTORICAL AND FUTURE PERSPECTIVE



WHAT HCI WAS, IS AND WILL BE ABOUT IN THE FUTURE

- Desired outcome:
 - Usable, useful, efficient, satisfactory systems
- Process:
 - Procedural view, typically included in late stage of e.g. a waterfall development model
- Roles:
 - Clear roles between designers, ethnographers, end users, stakeholders, developers, etc. Future users had typically minimal influence over the results.
- Tools:
 - Guidelines and methods based on studies in cognitive science and human factors: e.g., task analysis, GOMS
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WHAT HCI WAS, IS AND WILL BE ABOUT IN THE FUTURE



EVOLVEMENT OF HCI DISCIPLINE

- Multidisciplinary development, internationalisation, development of technology
- Differences in the view on
 - Human
 - User
 - Task
 - Artefact
 - Environment
 - Evaluator/ designer / system developer



DIFFERENCES IN THE VIEW ON...



MULITDISCIPLINARY DEVELOPMENT

- Sciences
 - Sociology, antropology, psycology, philosophy, phenomenology, computer science, cognitive science, ...
- Theories / models
 - Activity theory, Situated Action, Action Science, information processing, Distributed Cognition, ...
- Methods

Ethnography, etnometodology, applied experimental psychology (TEP), cognitive modelling, participatory design (PD), conversation analysis, contextual design, formal methods, ...

- Tools
 - Activity checklist, scenarios, models of work, task analysis (TA), design rationales, cognitive walkthrough, GOMS, ...



WORK

Development of software that aims to support work...

- ...demands understanding of the tasks to be done including its environment/context
 - Task analysis, activity analysis, organisationsanalys, Activity theory
- ...understanding of how (s)he/they who are executing the tasks function
 - Cognitive modeling Cognitive Science, Activity theory
- ...and also of how and by what work tasks change over time..?!
 - Evolutionary design "Action science", Activity theory



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CONFLICT #1: SCOPE AND TOOLS SYSTEMIC VS. REDUCTIONISTIC PERSPECTIVE



Carroll et al. 1991. **The Task-Artifact Cycle.** In: Carroll, John M. (ed.). "Designing Interaction: Psychology at the Human-Computer Interface". Cambridge University Press

DEFINITION OF HUMAN FACTORS / ERGONOMICS

- "THE SCIENTIFIC DISCIPLINE CONCERNED WITH
 - THE UNDERSTANDING OF **INTERACTIONS** AMONG HUMANS AND OTHER ELEMENTS OF A SYSTEMAND
- THE PROCESSOR OF TECHNICAL SYSTEM
 APPLIES THEORY, PRINCIPLES, DATA AND METHODS TO DESIGN IN ORDER TO OPTIMIZE HUMAN WELLBEING AND OVERALL SYSTEM PERFORMANCE"

International Ergonomics Association. What is Ergonomics? http://iea.cc/01_what/What%20is%20Ergonomics.html, accessed 2011-12-12



EXAMPLE: ACTIVITY THEORY



Vygotsky, L. 1978. **Mind in Society.** Harvard University Press, London.





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PURPOSE OF KNOWLEDGE-BASED SYSTEMS



CONFLICT #2: *PROCESS*

CREATIVITY VS. PRODUCTION,

EMERGENT INTERACTION VS. STRUCTURED PROCEDURES

Beuscart-Zéphir, Elkin et al. The Human Factors Engineering Approach to Biomedical Informatics Projects: State of the Art, Results, Benefits and Challenges.

Geissbuhler A, Haux R, Kulikowski C, editors. IMIA Yearbook of Medical Informatics 2007. Methods Inf Med 2007; 46 Suppl 1: 109-27





Fisher and Herrmann. Socio-Technical Systems - A Meta-Design Perspective. International Journal for Sociotechnology and Knowledge Development, January-March 2011, Vol. 3, No. 1, p 1-33



Figure 1. Traditional participatory design.



Figure 2. Cultures of participation—design in use.

Costabile et al. Supporting End Users to Be Co-designers of Their Tools.

V. Pipek et al. (Eds.): IS-EUD 2009, LNCS 5435, pp. 70-85, 2009



Fig. 2. The SSW network for the case study Design Methodology

SSW: Software Shaping

Conflict #3: *roles* Designer vs. Stakeholder vs. User vs. Developer: - Who Knows What and Who Knows Best ?

CONFLICTS #4, #5: OUTCOME BEHAVIOUR CHANGE VS. HABITUAL SYSTEMS AND EMPOWERMENT VS. ADAPTIVITY



HOW TO CREATE A SMART HOME ENVIRONMENT?







Factual knowledge

Frank Van Harmelen. **10 Years of Semantic Web: does it work in theory?** Keynote at ISWC 2011.



"Linking Open Data cloud diagram, by Richard Cyganiak and Anja Jentzsch. http://lod-cloud.net/"



THE THINGS THAT MAKE DESIGNING INTERACTION WITH COMPUTERS DIFFICULT ... AND INTERESTING!

