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Introduction à la Conception Centrée Utilisateur

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Who am I?

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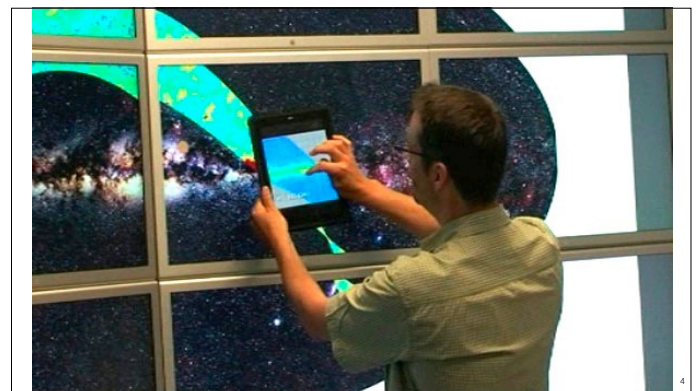
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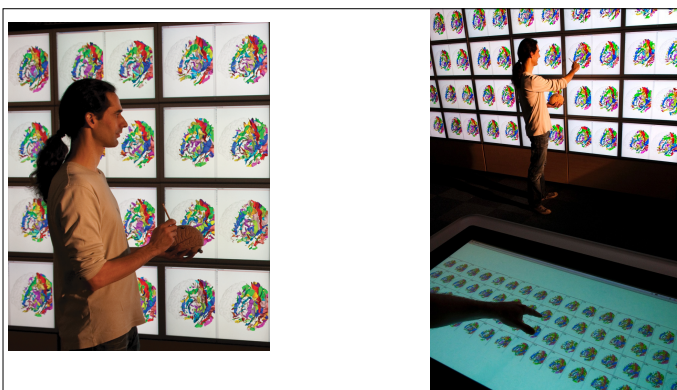
Information Visualization

Multi-surface Interaction

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Quentin Roy


Thésard en Interaction Homme-Machine

Thésard en IHM à Télécom ParisTech

Recherche en Interaction Gestuelle pour Surface Tactile



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1999 : « La fonctionnalité la plus utilisée était ... recherche. Les personnes n'arrivaient pas à naviguer le site. »

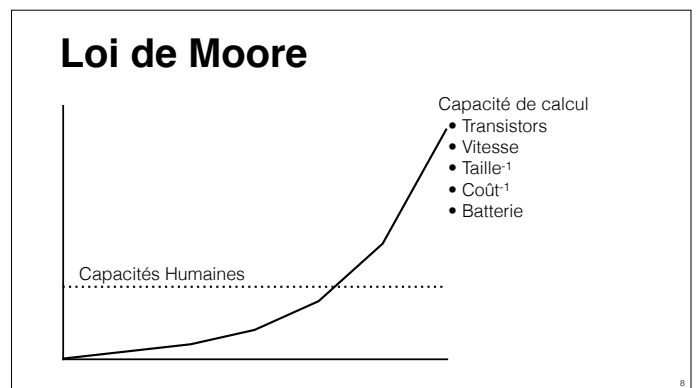
« La deuxième fonctionnalité était le bouton 'help', car le moteur recherche était si inefficace. »

Après re-conception du site centrée utilisateur :

- Utilisation du bouton « help » a baissé 84 %
- Ventes ont augmenté 400 %

[New York Times, 30 août 1999]

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Interaction Homme-Machine

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Human-Computer Interaction

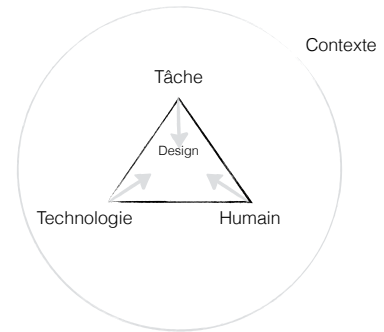
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Human-Computer Interaction

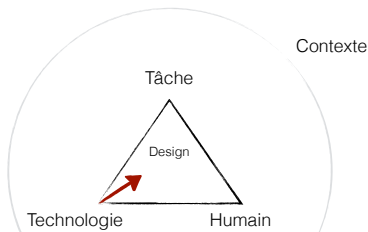
- Human**
L'utilisateur final du système
Autres personnes dans l'organisme
- Computer**
La machine qui tourne le logiciel
Y en a souvent plusieurs
- Interaction**
L'utilisateur exprime ce qu'il veut
L'ordinateur communique les résultats



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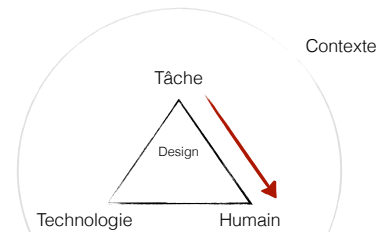


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Dans un smartphone avec écran tactile, on peut supposer une interaction multi-touch

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Les connaissances d'une personne changent lorsqu'elle agit... elle apprend.

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Interaction Homme-Machine

Un métier qui s'intéresse :

au design,
à l'implémentation, et
à l'évaluation

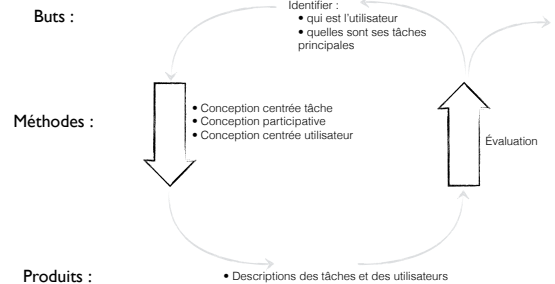


de systèmes informatiques à usage par un être-humain

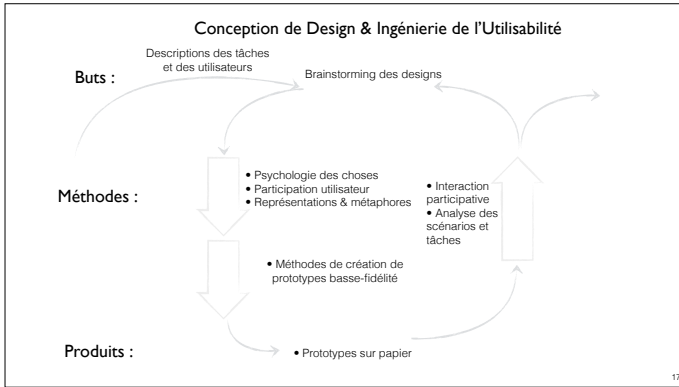


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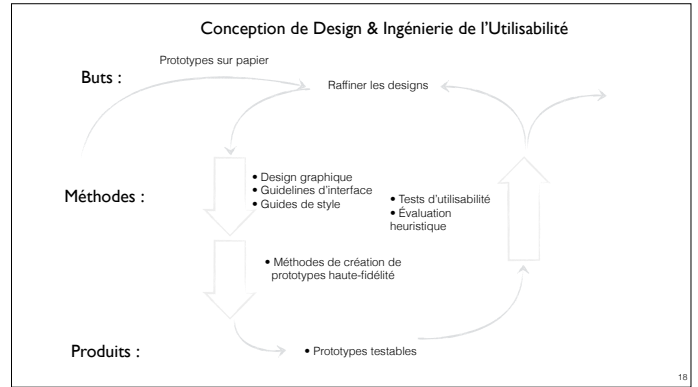
Conception de Design & Ingénierie de l'Utilisabilité



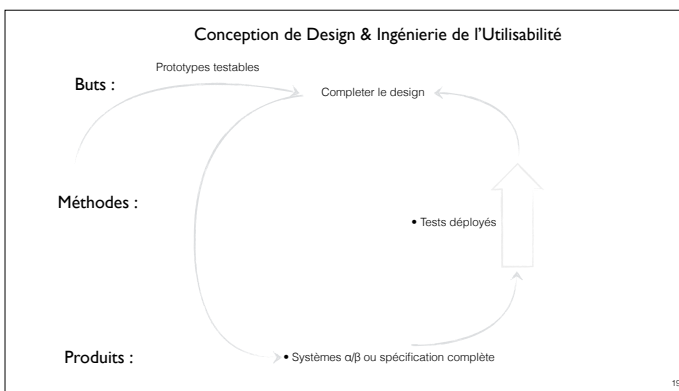
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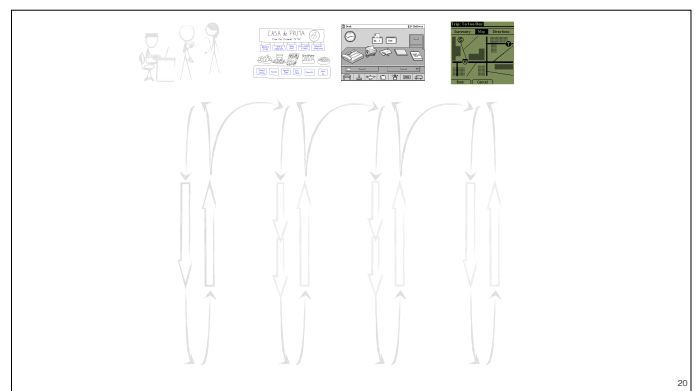
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Pourquoi Suivre une Méthode de Design ?

63% de gros projets explosent leur budget

4 raisons principales :

- Clients ont demandé des améliorations au design
- Tâches/besoins loupés
- Utilisateurs ne comprenaient pas leurs propres besoins
- Communication entre développeur et utilisateur insuffisant

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L'Utilisabilité = Genie Logiciel !

~Deux fois plus chère après déploiement

Trop facile à commencer un design détaillé qui ... :

- ... est basé sur des fausses suppositions des besoins
- ... n'est pas suffisamment flexible
- ... n'est pas facile à utiliser
- ... n'a jamais été testé

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Principes de Bases pour la Conception d'Interfaces

Overview

- Introduction au cours et à l'IHM

Comprendre l'utilisateur et ses besoins

- Conception centrée tâche
- Développer des tâches indicatives
- Personae et scénarios utilisateurs

Design avec l'utilisateur

- Conception centrée utilisateur
- Conception participative
- Évaluer l'interface avec l'utilisateur



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Principes de Bases pour la Conception d'Interfaces

Design d'interfaces visuelles

- Psychologie des choses de la vie quotidienne
- Au-delà du design sur l'écran
 - Représentations et métaphores
- Design graphique
 - Comment mettre en place les éléments graphiques sur l'écran

Principes de design

- Guidelines, heuristiques, etc.
- Comment découvrir des problèmes d'utilisabilité avant développement



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Objectifs du Cours

Buts de ce module :

Savoir comment récolter des besoins utilisateur et faire une analyse de tâches

Avoir de l'expérience avec la conception centrée utilisateur

- Connaître plusieurs méthodes d'évaluation
 - ... quand les utiliser
 - ... pour quels buts

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Déroulement du module

Travaux dirigés :

2 heures de cours suivies par 2 heures de TD

Devoirs à maison :

À faire seule, à rendre avant la séance suivante

Projet :

À faire par groupes de 5

Une partie conception, une partie réalisation

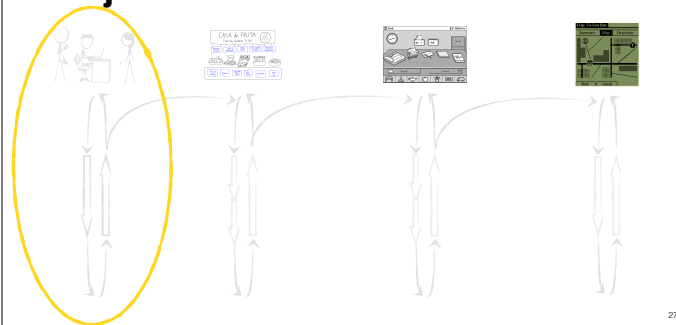
50 % de la note finale

Détails à suivre...

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Aujourd'hui



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La Théorie de Grande Unification

Qui est l'utilisateur, le client, le sujet, ... ?

Astuce : Il y en a probablement plusieurs

Qu'est-ce qu'il ou elle essaye de faire ?

Comment peut-on l'aider à le faire ? (Et gagner quelques €/\$/¥ en le faisant.)

L'interface, réussit-elle ces buts ?

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Know Thy User

You are not your user

Who are your stakeholders?

Travel system: employee, manager, auditor

What is the user's goal?

How is success defined?

What are the constraints? Real-world, technical, political?

User characteristics

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Real-World Constraints

Time to market

Cost/effort to design & implement

Size/footprint/weight/price/power

Computer power/memory

Consistency with product line/brand image

Backward compatibility

Differentiation from competitive products

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How to Understand the User

Gather data

Interviews, observation, surveys & questionnaires, documentation, immersion

Organize data

Notes, cards, affinity diagrams, computer tools

Represent data

Lists, outlines, matrices

Narratives, Scenarios, Use cases

Hierarchies, Networks, Flow Charts

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Data Gathering

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Objectives

Understand the user

What are his or her goals & values?

Individual's or group's interactions within a culture

Make tacit domain knowledge explicit

Be unbiased

For UI designers: improve system by finding existing problems

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Focus on Observable Behaviors

What are the practices, methods, steps, objects, ..., used?

Learn what users do, why they do it, how, they do it, when they do it, with what tools or people they do it

Your new system may change some of this, especially how

Understanding the how and the why is what leads to deeper knowledge and insights

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What to Gather

Three key components in how people work

Activities

Artifacts

Relations

Not just computer system oriented!

The context matters!

Office: papers, whiteboards, ...

Phone calls: address book, note pad, dialer, ...



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Some Data Gathering Methods

Observation & Think-aloud

Cooperative Evaluation

Interviews

Questionnaires & Surveys

Focus Groups

Study Documentation

Competitive Product Analysis

Ethnography

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Data Gathering

Tasks & Subtasks

Physical

Cognitive

Communication

Conditions under which these are done

Results/outcomes of tasks

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Techniques

In-person observation

Audio/video recording

Log analysis

Interviews

"Wallow in the data"

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Techniques

• In-person observation

Audio/video recording

Log analysis

• Interviews

"Wallow in the data"

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Observation is Key

Carefully observe everything about the users and their environment
Think of describing it to someone who has never seen this activity before
What users say is important, but also non-verbal details

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Observations

Things of interest to the evaluator
Structure & language used in work (domain vocabulary)
Individual & group actions
Work culture
Explicit & implicit aspects of work
Example: Office environment
Business practices, rooms, artifacts, work standards, relationships between workers, managers, ...

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Interviews

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Interviews

Participants
Recruitment
Questions

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Interviews

Have a question plan, but keep interview open
Be specific
Create interpretations together with users
Be sure to use their terminology
At the end, ask if there's anything else you should have asked
Record interviews

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Steps

1. Preparation
Understand the organizational context
Familiarize yourself with system and its history
Set initial goals and prepare questions
Gain access and permission to observe & interview

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During Interviews

Establish rapport with users
Observe/interview users in workplace and collect all different forms of data
Follow any leads that emerge from visits
Record the visits

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Interviews

Structured — "Just the facts"
Efficient
Training: interview process
Unstructured — A conversation
Inefficient
Training: process + domain knowledge

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Semi-Structured Interviews

Start with focused questions, move to open-ended discussion

Good balance, often appropriate

Training: process + domain knowledge

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Semi-structured Interview Questions

Pre-determine data of interest — know why you are asking questions, don't waste time

Plan for effective question types

How do you perform task x?

Why do you perform task x?

Under what conditions do you perform task x?

What do you do before you perform...?

What information do you need to...?

Whom do you need to communicate with ...?

What do you use to...?

What happens after you...?

What is the result or consequence of...?

What is the result or consequence of NOT...?

See Gordon & Gill, 1992; Graesser, Lang, & Elofson, 1987

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Typical Open-ended Questions

Why do you do this (whatever the task is you are studying)?

How do you do this?

Gets at task-subtask structure

Then ask about each subtask

Why do you do it this way rather than some other way?

Attempts to get user to explain method and rationale so you can assess importance of the particular way of doing task (onion)

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More Open-ended Questions

What has to be done before you can do this?

To get at sequencing issues

Please show me the results of doing this

Do errors ever occur when doing this?

How do you discover the errors, and how do you correct them? (Adapted from Nielsen et al., CHI '86).

Encourage digressions; ask for elaborations

What else should I have asked you?

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Good idea / Bad idea

« Is the daily update an important feature to you? »

Better : « How do you use the daily update feature? »

Even better : « The log shows you don't use the daily update. Why? »

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Good idea / Bad idea

« What would you like in a tool? »

Better : « What are you trying to do? »

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Good idea / Bad idea

« How often do you read your mail? »

« How often do you read your mail in a typical day? »

« How often did you read your mail *today*? »

Measure

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Questionnaires

General Criteria

Make questions clear & specific

Ask some closed questions with range of answers

Sometime also have a neutral or other option

Do test run with one or two people

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Likert Scale

Evaluation Questionnaire

Please complete the following questionnaire by indicating how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statements. Your responses will be kept confidential and will be used only for improving the interface that you worked with in this experiment.

1. I felt that the computer agent's help was **worthwhile**.

1-----2-----3-----4-----5-----6-----7
Strongly Disagree Strongly Agree

Seven-point Likert scale (use odd #)

2. I found the computer agent to be **intrusive**.

1-----2-----3-----4-----5-----6-----7
Strongly Disagree Strongly Agree

Could also just use words (e.g. strongly agree, agree, neutral, disagree, strongly disagree)

3. I found the computer agent's help to be **distracting**.

1-----2-----3-----4-----5-----6-----7
Strongly Disagree Strongly Agree

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Other Typical Questions

Rank the importance of each of these tasks

List the four most important tasks that you perform (this is an open question)

List the pieces of information you need to have before making a decision about X, in order of importance

Are there any other points you would like to make? (open-ended opinion question; good way to end)

Same questions can be used in interview and in questionnaire; difference is in follow-up opportunity

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Focus Groups

Group of individuals — 3 to 10

Use several different groups with different roles or perspectives

And to separate the dominant personalities from the others

Want to avoid few people dominating discussion

Use structured set of questions

More specific at beginning, more open as progresses

Allow digressions before coming back on track

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Study documentation

Describes how things should be done rather than how they are done

Try to understand these discrepancies

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Competitive Analysis

Look at competing products

Look for both good and bad ideas

Functionality

UI Style

Do user task performance metrics to establish bounds for your system

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Sense-making

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Analysis

Compile the data in numerical, textual, and multimedia databases

Quantify data and compile statistics

Reduce and interpret data

Refine goals and process used

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Reporting

Consider different audiences and goals

Prepare a report and present findings

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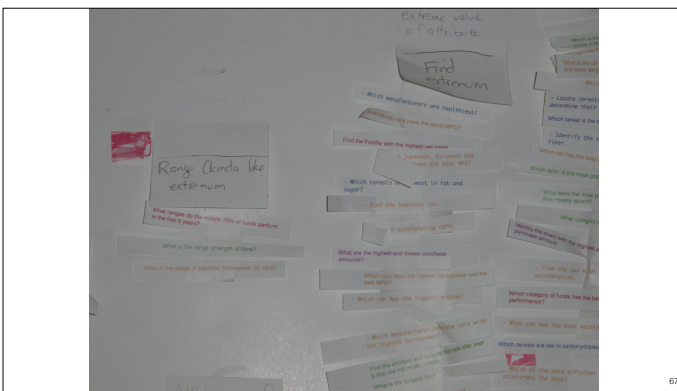
Affinity Diagram

- Useful technique for qualitative data analysis
- Write each observation/quote on a slip of paper
- Put it on a board/wall
- Coalesce items that have affinity
- Give names/colors to groups
- Continue making subgroups
- May yield a hierarchy of groups

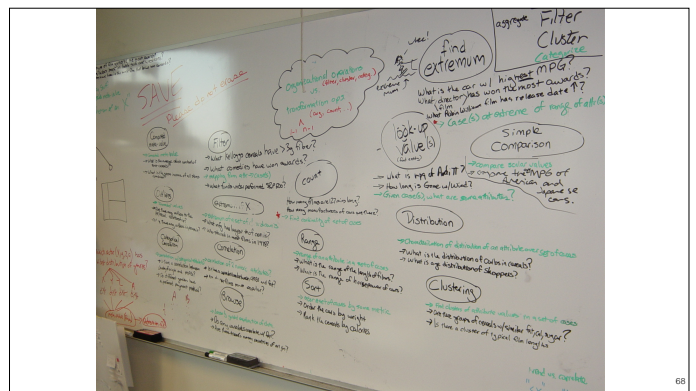
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Why is this Useful?

- Can help gain a rich and true assessment of user needs
- Helps to define requirements
- Uncovers true nature of user's needs
- Discover things that are outside job description, documentation
- Allows you to put yourself in the role of an end-user
- Open-ended and unbiased nature promotes discovery

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Types of Findings

- Qualitative
 - Observe trends, habits, patterns, ...
- Quantitative
 - How often was something done, what percent of the time did something occur, how many errors, ...

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Drawbacks

- Takes a lot of time
- Scale : small numbers
- Qualitative results are subjective and difficult to generalize
- Acquired skill
 - Identifying and extracting meaningful and "interesting" things is challenging

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Organizing Observations

- Organizing the observations serves two purposes
 - Understand the data
 - Helps present the data

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Now What?

You have piles of notes, hours of video, surveys up to here...
How can you digest and represent the data, to turn it into information?

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Representing Data

- Essential use cases
- User characteristics + personae
- Task outlines
- Narratives
- Hierarchies & Network Diagrams
- Flow Charts

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Essential Use Case (Scenario)

Description of important or frequent user interactions
Used to evaluate/walkthrough various design alternatives

Three elements

- Name
- User intention
- System responsibility

Do not make assumptions about the UI design

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Example Use Case

- Jean regularly commutes by métro. He likes to get off a few stops early and finish the trip on a Vélib. As he approaches the métro station Jussieu, he wants to check if any bikes are free. He also wants to see which station near his home has free space to park.

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Get foreign currency	
User's purpose	System responsibility
Identify self	Validate user's identity. Display currencies available.
Select currency required.	Display exchange rate.
Enter amount of foreign currency required.	Calculate exchange (e.g. £ to \$).
Confirm amount.	Request initiation of payment. Obtain authorisation for amount. Give money.
Take money and go.	

[From User Interface Design and Evaluation, The Open University]

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User Characteristics & Persona

Description of user and what he or she wishes to do
Be specific/detailed, even give names and picture
Three persona for ATM usage follow
Adapted from User Interface Design & Evaluation, The Open University
Developed by Cooper (1999)

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Felix (Teenage ATM User)

Felix is 13 and gets pocket money each week. He spends it with his friends, so doesn't make regular deposits. He does receive gifts for his birthday, Christmas, etc. and saves that money for special purchases, such as a computer games console or trendy clothes. He has an ATM card allowing him to make withdrawals when needed for his purchases.

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Sandra (Young Adult)

Sandra is 30, is married to Jason, has two children Todd(6) and Carly (18 months). They live in a subdivision that is about three miles from the town center, where the bank and stores are located. Jason uses the car for work, and works long hours, leaving at 6:45 am and returning at 8:00 pm. Sandra does not drive, so has to use public transportation. She tries to run errands and shop while Todd is in school, so she does only has to take Carly to town with her. She typically needs to make two trips to town each week to get everything done. She uses a stroller with Carly, and the bank is one flight up via escalator, so she prefers to use the ATM outside the first floor, even though there is no canopy to protect customers from bad weather.

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Grandpa Marvin (Older Adult)

Marvin is 68 years old, and his social security is deposited into his bank account at the start of each month. He goes to the bank every week, withdrawing enough cash for the week - for miscellaneous expenditure. Regular bills are paid by check. He stands in line for a live teller, as he prefers the social interaction to using an ATM, even though his new artificial hip makes standing in line uncomfortable. He does not have an ATM card.

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Task Outlines

Lists, outlines, matrices

Use expanding/collapsing outline tool

Add detail progressively

Know in advance how much detail is enough

Can add linked outlines for specific subtasks

Good for sequential tasks, not so good for parallel

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Using a lawnmower to cut grass

Step 1. Examine lawn

- Make sure grass is dry
- Look for objects lying in the grass

Step 2. Inspect lawnmower

- Check components for tightness
 - Check that grass bag handle is securely fastened to the grass bag support
 - Make sure grass bag connector is securely fastened to bag adaptor
 - Make sure that deck cover is in place
 - Check for any loose parts (such as oil caps)
 - Check to make sure blade is attached securely
- Check engine oil level
 - Remove oil fill cap and dipstick
 - Wipe dipstick
 - Replace dipstick completely in lawnmower
 - Remove dipstick
 - Check that oil is past the level line on dipstick
 - ...

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Narratives

Describe tasks in sentences

Often expanded version of list or outline

More effective for communicating general idea of task

Not effective for

details

branching tasks

parallel tasks

Great as introduction to diagrams or outlines

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Hierarchies & Networks

Goals – what the user wants to achieve

Tasks – do these to achieve the goals

Sequential dependencies

Create new document before entering text

Multiple occurrences of tasks

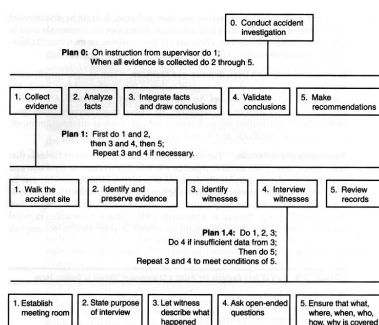
Subtasks – lower-level tasks

The lowest-level subtasks get mapped onto one or several UI commands

i.e., move done by a copy followed by a paste

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Task Model – Borrow a Book

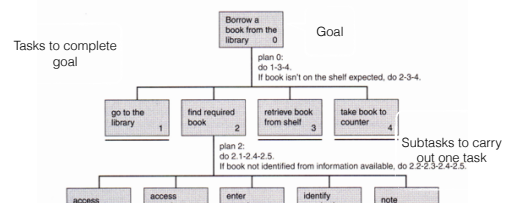


Figure 7.12 A graphical representation of the task analysis for borrowing a book.

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Workflows

- Documents going from one person/organization to another
- Multiple participants in an activity
- Web page sequencing
- Browsing, purchasing, checkout

Document Flow Example

Multiple Participants

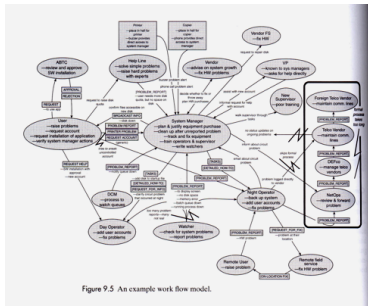


Figure 9-5 An example work flow model.

[From Interaction Design, Preece Rogers and Sharp]

Summary of Task Analysis

- Determine the data you need
- Gather it using various appropriate methods and techniques
- Represent the tasks and subtasks, plus other related information
- Use this data to improve design

Note: be efficient!

Using What You've Learned

- How do attributes of users & their tasks influence the design of user interfaces?
- Are there some design guidelines we can derive from different attributes?

User Profiles

Attributes:

attitude, motivation, reading level, typing skill, education, system experience, task experience, computer literacy, frequency of use, training, color-blindness, handedness, gender,...

Novice, intermediate, expert

Manager, employee, contractor, ...

Knowledge & Experience

Experience

task	system	Design goals:
low	low	- Many syntactic & semantic prompts
high	high	- Efficient commands, concise syntax
low	high	- Semantic help facilities
high	low	- Lots of syntactic prompting

Job & Task Implications

Frequency of use

High — Ease of use

Low — Ease of learning & remembering

Task implications

High — Ease of use

Low — Ease of learning

System use

Mandatory — Ease of use

Discretionary — Ease of learning



Define Tasks

Consider the whole system

Determine who or what should perform each task and each step : e.g. the system remembers the login, but the user remembers the password

Determine criteria: efficiency, cognitive effort, time

Task x should take no more than y seconds

A new user should be able to create a new account in 5 minutes

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Projet

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Interface Tactile Pour un Restaurant

Un restaurateur vous approche demandant de créer une interface numérique pour mettre à disposition des clients dans un restaurant pour prendre les commandes.

Vous allez faire un recueil de besoins et analyse de tâches

Créer plusieurs prototypes bas-fidélité

Construire un prototype haut-fidélité

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A black rectangular area with the text "Knowledge Navigator" written in a white, serif font, centered within the area.

Knowledge Navigator

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