CSE 440: Introduction to HCI

User Interface Design, Prototyping, and Evaluation

Lecture 05:

Task Analysis

Tuesday / Thursday

12:00 to 1:20

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Project Status

Looking Forward

2c: Design Research Check-In due Tonight

2d: Design Research Review due Monday 10/16

2e: Task Review due Thursday 10/19

2f: Design Check-In (3x4) Due Monday 10/23

2g: Design Review (1x2) Due Thursday 10/26

"Getting the Right Design" Report and Presentation

Other Assignments

Readings to be Posted Soon

CSE Colloquium Today

Design at Large: real-world, large scale, and sometimes disruptive

Scott Klemmer (UCSD)
Host: Froehlich
Paul G. Allen School Distinguished Lecture
Thursday, October 12, 2017, 3:30 pm
EEB-105
Maps and directions

Abstract

In recent years, my group--and probably many of you--have experienced a dramatically-increased ability to do Design at Large: creating research that is widely-used by real people and learning a ton from the experience. When moving from designing artifacts in the lab to designing experiences at large we inevitably shift to studying complex sociotechnical systems. A lot of the behavior is emergent, and sometimes completely unexpected. The successes in this new world are tremendously exciting, but like all creative endeavors, there are lots of flops. One source of failure is that designers often receive guidance that's based on faith rather than insight. This leads to designs that 'solve' nonexistent problems, miss important needs, hold onto misguided assumptions for too long, or waste time relearning known insights. To help sketch where a shift to Design at Large may take us, I'll share insights from our research systems and their real-world usage, experiences with online learning, former students' adventures, and what we're up to in the Design Lab.

Bio

Scott is a Professor of Cognitive Science and Computer Science & Engineering at UC San Diego, where he co-founded the Design Lab. He previously served as Associate Professor of Computer Science at Stanford, where he co-directed the HCI Group, held the Bredt Faculty Scholar chair, and was a founding participant in the d.school. He has a PhD in CS from Berkeley and a dual BA in Art-Semiotics and Computer Science from Brown (with work at RISD). His former graduate students include leading professors, researchers, & founders. He leads the Interaction Design Specialization on Coursera; it introduced peer assessment to online education. He has been awarded the Katayanagi Emerging Leadership Prize, Sloan Fellowship, NSF CAREER award, Microsoft Research New Faculty Fellowship, and Nine best-paper or honorable mention awards. He is program co-chair of Learning@Scale '18, on the editorial board of HCl and TOCHI; was program co-chair for UIST, the CHI systems area, and HCIC. He advises university design programs globally. Organizations worldwide use his group's open-source design tools and curricula.

Design Research Reminders

You are not doing science

You seek design insight, not knowledge, truth, or generality

Do the best design work you can

May find that self-tracking is not the opportunity We designed the project sequence, but be flexible

Capture and keep your raw work products

Dedicate a note keeper, consider recording

Our collection is minimal, but you will want them

Structure of Section and Critique

Focus on peer feedback and learning

Bring your artifacts, be ready to present them Bring paper, keep the laptops put away

Critique progression

Reminder of your project

What you have done

What you have learned

Your plan going forward

Feedback from peers / staff

Questions you have for peers / staff

Structure of Section and Critique

With 3 Project Groups:

- 2 groups in peer critique
- 1 group with course staff

Rotate at about 12 minutes

With 4 Project Groups:

- 2 groups in peer critique
- 2 groups each with member of course staff Rotate at about 17 minutes

Time at end to huddle, follow up with anybody

Developing Insight Is Hard

Design research yields a lot of data

Does not reduce to a statistical test

Need to get from data to design insight But this is fundamentally difficult Data ????? Insight

Although project sequence separates research from design ideas, you will be exploring ideas as your do the research

Objectives

Be able to:

Describe how taking different perspectives on design research data can help to surface design insights.

Given design research data, be able to analyze that data in terms of people and their tasks.

Describe personas, their purpose, how and why we emphasize design research data in their creation.

Define and describe relationships between tasks, personas, and scenarios.

Affinity Diagrams

Generated during group session

Each observation, idea, note to a post-it

Notes are hierarchically organized into themes, based on project focus



Affinity Diagrams







Affinity Diagrams



Developing Models

Distilling models that summarize data

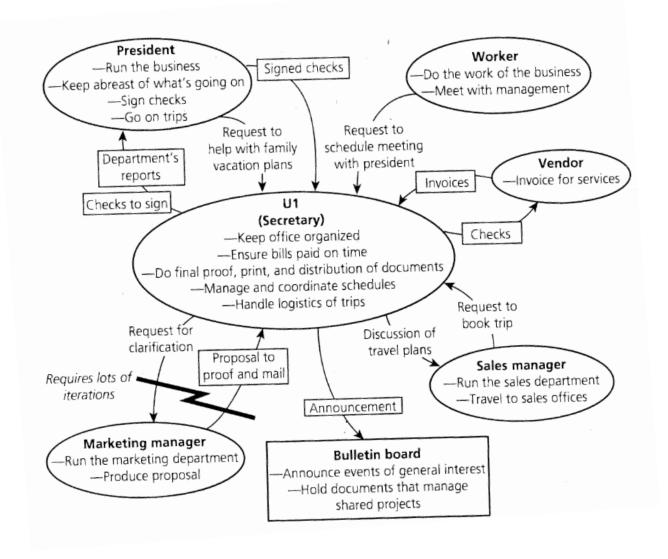
Highlights gaps in understanding Identify breakdowns and workarounds

Many types of models

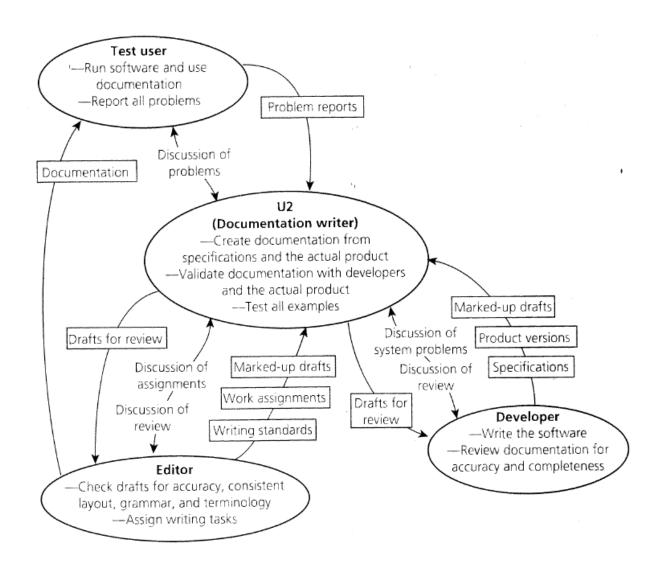
e.g., Flow, Sequence, Artifact, Cultural, Physical None is perfect, they highlight different things

No model is perfect or guarantees insight

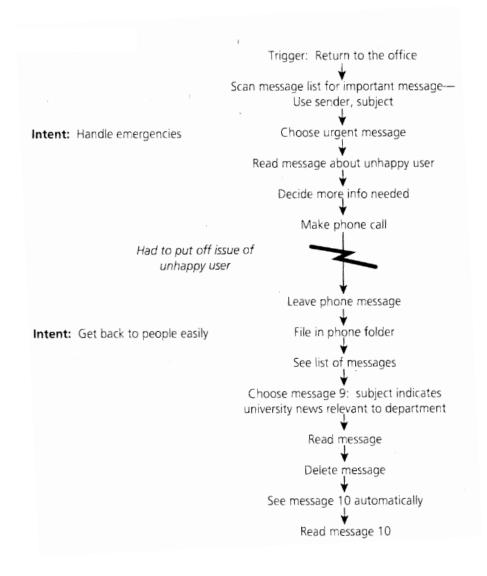
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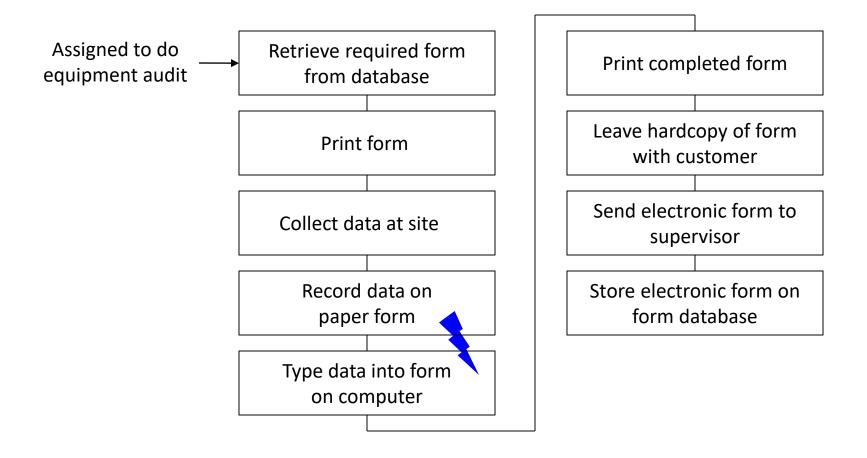
Flow Model: Creative Work



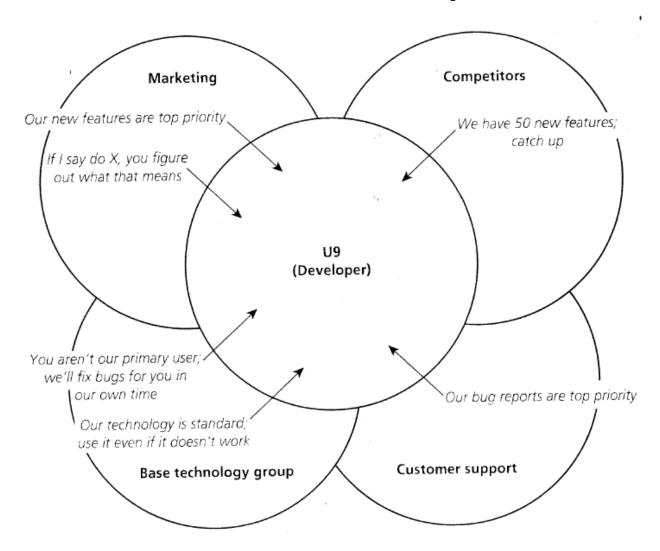
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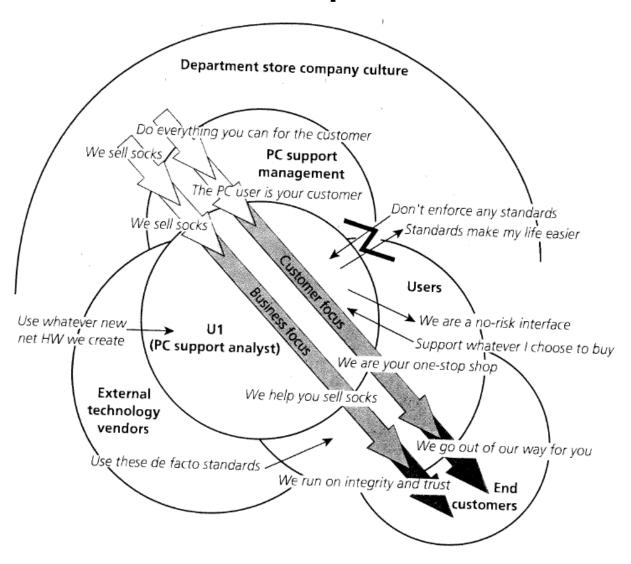
Sequence Model: Equipment Audit



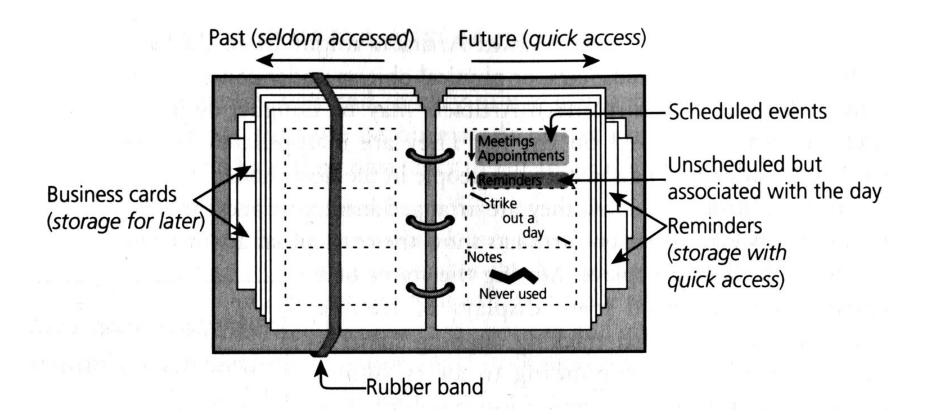
Cultural Model: Developer



Cultural Model: Department Store

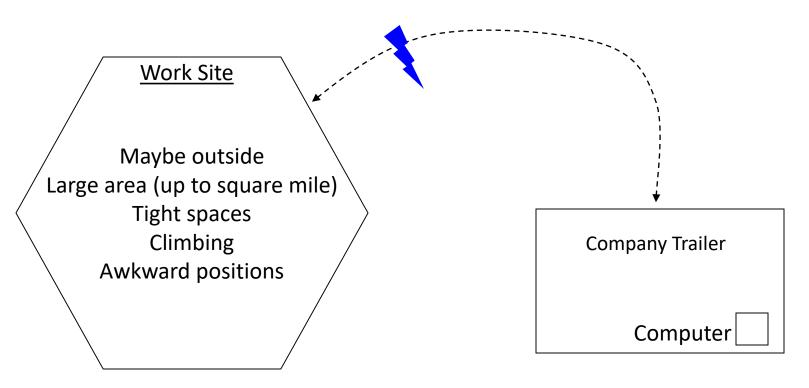


Artifact Model: Calendar



Physical Model: Work Site

Approximately a 5 minute walk. If doing an audit at a site under construction, then safe path frequently changes and may need to wait for construction equipment to pass.



Designing with Tasks

We will primarily emphasize designing with tasks

Tasks Matter

System will fail if:

It is inappropriate for the person It does not meet a person's needs

Your contextual inquiries will emphasize getting to know people and their needs

Can you then just make 'good' interfaces?

Why Task Analysis?

'Good' has to be interpreted in the context of use Might be acceptable in office, but not for play Infinite variety of tasks and customers

Guidelines are too vague to be generative

e.g., "give adequate feedback"

Can be used to critique, but not to generate

Design is often about tradeoffs

Example of gestures to navigate display

Why Task Analysis?

Task analysis is a lens on the information you obtain through design research methods

Use what you learned in your research to answer the questions in the task analysis

Project sequence orders the two, but in practice you should iteratively decide how to best draw upon all relevant methods throughout a process

11 Task Analysis Questions

Who is going to use the system?

What tasks do they now perform?

What tasks are desired?

How are the tasks learned?

Where are the tasks performed?

What is the relationship between people & data?

What other tools do people have?

How do people communicate with each other?

How often are the tasks performed?

What are the time constraints on the tasks?

What happens when things go wrong?

Question 1

Who is going to use the system?

Identity

In-house or specific customer is more defined Broad products need several typical consumers

Background

Existing systems, training

Skills

Work habits and preferences

Physical characteristics and abilities





Seattle Parking Meter

Who is going to use the system?

Identity?

People who park in Seattle
Business people, students, elderly, tourists

Background?

Have used parking meters before
May have an ATM or credit card
Have used other fare machines before

Seattle Parking Meter

Who is going to use the system?

Skills?

May know how to put cards into ATM

Work habits and preferences?

Park several times a week, a month, a year

Physical characteristics and abilities?

Varying heights, do not make it too high or too low

Anything else?

Qdoba soda machine

PARK, PAY & DISPLAY

Parking Pay Station Instructions



Insert card and push button to buy time OR
Insert coins to buy time



Push GREEN button to print receipt

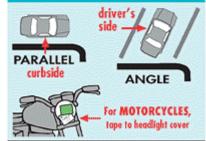


Remove card quickly wait for receipt and display properly



Display one receipt only to park in any meter or pay station space until your time expires

Use the removable backing to tape receipt to INSIDE of a front-seat side window



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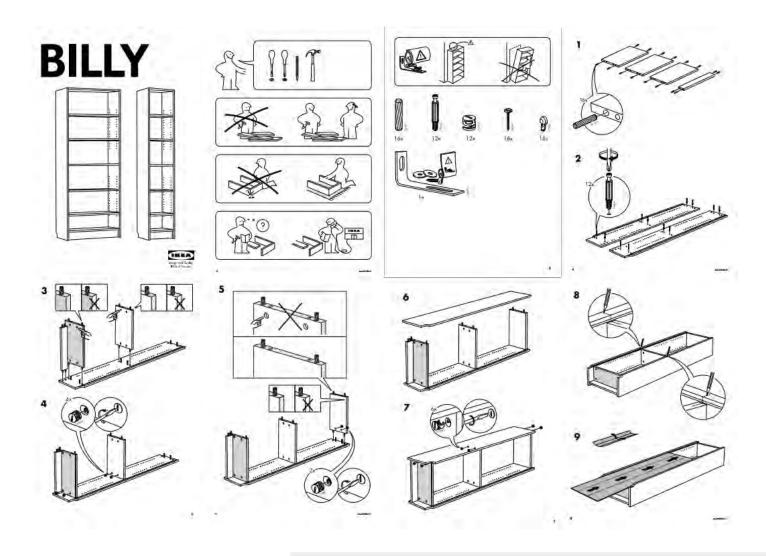
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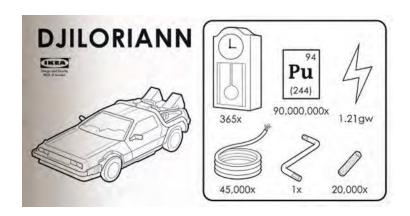


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There are limits, a tradeoff in this design







Coolant Low





Door Power Lock



Fog Light Front



Dashboard Illumination



Door Open



Fog Light Rear



Defroster Front



Emissions Malfunction



Fuel Gauge or Low



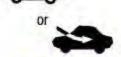
Defroster Rear



Fan Operation



Hazard Lights



Diesel Preheat

Fresh Air

Question 2 and Question 3

What tasks do they now perform? What tasks are desired?

Important for both automation and new functionality Relative importance of tasks?

Observe people, see it from their perspective

Automated Billing Example

small dentists office had billing automated assistants were unhappy with new system old forms contained hand-written margin notes e.g., patient's insurance takes longer than most

PROVED

poonful salt leaten l milk

beaten egg and add nelted fat. Bake in 25 min. Makes 11

cup. flour, add 4 baking powder to g and bake same as

sp. baking powder, same as for Plain ad adding to other 14.

to 1 cup. chopped fruit with 2 tbsp. lates, figs, apples, youkshul Budding
mandal Meals Tested Tasted and Approved

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POPOVERS

2 cupfuls flour 2 eggs 2 cupfuls milk

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2 teaspoonfuls melted fat

Beat eggs slightly. Sift flour and salt, and add alternately with milk to eggs. Add melted fat. Beat with egg beater until smooth and full of bubbles. Fill hot greased cast aluminum or iron gempans or glass or earthenware custard cups, $\frac{2}{3}$ full of popover batter. Place immediately in a hot oven of 450° F. and bake for 30 min. Then lower temperature to 350° F. and bake for 15 min. longer. Makes 9 popovers.

CORNBREAD

2 cupfuls cornmeal 2 cupfuls sour milk 2 eggs, beaten 1½ teaspoonfuls salt 2 tablespoonfuls melted fat

3 tablespoonfuls sugar

Sift dry ingredients together. Mix milk with beaten eggs and add to dry ingredients. Stir well together and add melted fat. Pour into a hot greased baking pan or muffin tins and bake in hot oven of 400° F. for 20-25 min. Makes 24 pieces.

CRIDDLE CAKES

How are the tasks learned?

What does a person need to know?

Do they need training?

academic general knowledge / skills special instruction / training

Where are the tasks performed?

Office, laboratory, point of sale?

Effects of environment on customers?

Are people under stress?

Confidentiality required?

Do they have wet, dirty, or slippery hands?

Soft drinks?

Lighting?

Noise?

What is the relationship between people & data?

Personal data

Always accessed at same machine?

Do people move between machines?

Common data

Used concurrently?

Passed sequentially between customers?

Remote access required?

Access to data restricted?

Does this relationship change over time?

Patient-provider curation example, Fitbit example

What other tools does a person have? More than just compatibility

How customer works with collection of tools

Automating lab data collection example:

how is data collected now?

by what instruments and manual procedures?

how is the information analyzed?

are the results transcribed for records or publication?

what media/forms are used and how are they handled?

Enhanced Field Biologist Notebooks, Navigating by Sextant

How do people communicate with each other?

Who communicates with whom?

About what?

Follow lines of the organization? Against it?

Old Email Adoption Example, Contrasted to Current Expectations

How often are the tasks performed?

Frequent use likely remember more details

Infrequent use may need more help

Even for simple operations

Make these tasks possible to accomplish

Which function is performed

Most frequently?

By which people?

Optimizing for these will improve perception of performance

Careful about initial use scenario

What are the time constraints on the tasks?

What functions will people be in a hurry for?

Which can wait?

Is there a timing relationship between tasks?

Target example, versus Pregnancy in Web Search

What happens when things go wrong?

How do people deal with

task-related errors?

practical difficulties?

catastrophes?

Is there a backup strategy?

What are the consequences?

Example abbreviated task analysis

Be sure to see other examples on website

As with models, no question promises insight

1. Who is going to use the system?

Anyone who owns indoor plants is a potential user of Plantr. All of the plant owners that we interviewed forgot to water their plants at some point regardless of age, experience, and background. Even Lucy, who spent most of her time at home because she worked from home, struggled with timely watering.

2. What are the currently possible tasks?

When people purchase a plant, they often look up information about the proper lighting and temperature conditions for their plants. Additionally, people must find out how much and how frequently to water and fertilize their plants.

3. What are currently unavailable, desired tasks?

People want a way to remember to water and care for their plants. Forgetting to water plants was the most cited reason for plant death, and the only task that participants in our inquiries mentioned completing on a regular basis.

4. How are tasks learned?

Most people learned how to take care of their plants through trial and error. Some consulted the Internet, nursery staff, or friends for more information on plant care.

5. Where are the tasks performed?

Tasks like watering and fertilizing are performed at the plant's location. People keep plants in their workplace, like Jack, or at home, like Lucy and Caroline. Getting information about plant care was performed in a variety of places. People who consult the Internet could be anywhere with a platform that supports web browsing. Those who go to the nursery to talk to plant experts are required to go to a specific location to talk to someone in person.

6. What is the relationship between a person and data?

We identified three different types of data: a plant's current state, information about plants, and data that reflects the person's plant care history.

A plant's current state is data on the moisture level of its soil and the general appearance of the plant (e.g., color, stiffness/limpness of leaves). People use this information to determine the plant's needs. Caroline and Lucy watered their plants when the soil felt dry or the leaves began to droop.

6. What is the relationship between a person and data?

People consulted various plant care information databases when they wanted to know how to care for their plants.

People used their personal history of plant care to determine how to take care of plants. Caroline said that she used to underwater plants, but she learned from her mistake and now tries to water them more often. People also base their buying decisions based upon their plant care history. Caroline noted that she tries to buy plants that require minimal water.

7. What other tools do people have?

Caroline, Lucy, Jack, and Kacy all have phones and computers. People also have a water source, pots, and soil for their plants. Most people probably have access to a nursery or library.

8. How do people communicate with each other?

Plant owners communicate on online forums and message boards. People who happen to be in the nursery at the same time might talk to each other about plant care. Likewise, people who have friends with indoor plants may share plant care tips.

9. How often are the tasks performed?

Watering is performed with a frequency between twice a week (Jack) and twice a month (Caroline). Fertilizing is performed less frequently, between once every two weeks to once every three months. Plants do not become sick often enough to make a good estimate about how often people try to get help.

10. What are time constraints on the tasks?

Plants must be watered with some regularity, so if people do not water their plants for long enough, the plants will start to die. Likewise, if plants are in need of attention for other reasons - pH imbalance, environment too dry - and they do not receive attention within some amount of time, they will die. Watering, caring, and learning how to care for a plant takes time. People who are very busy might not have the time or attention required for plant care.

11. What happens when things go wrong?

When plants became "sick", people take action, seek help, or ignore the problem until the plant dies. When people forget to water plants, they usually notice that the plant needs water and give it water. Sometimes people may not realize that a plant needs water until it is too late.

Personas
Concept Mapping
Competitive Analysis



Method 63



"If you want to create a product that satisfies a broad audience ..., logic will tell you to make it as broad in its functionality as possible to accommodate the most people. Logic is Wrong."

Archetypal character meant to represent a group of people in a role who share common goals, attitudes, and behaviors when interacting with a particular product or service



"This is what I need in order to do my job."



NAME: Vivica Parker

AGE: 32

OCCUPATION: Journalist

PROFILE:

Born in Washington, DC Lives and works in New York City (far from family)

Lives by herself in a small apartment Has a driver's license

Calls parents and older brother on weekends

Works for an online art magazine and is currently in charge of writing a blog about graffiti. In order to do that she needs to do the following tasks:

- . Walk/drive around the city
- Take pictures
- Talk with artists and keep record of that info (place, time, people)
- Work day/night
- Share the collected information with editor and magazine's readers

To do her job, usually carries notebooks, camera and cell phone to keep in touch with her editor.

INTERESTS:

Amateur theater actress since she was 23 Travel and merge in different cultures Architecture

ACTIVITIES:

Did research on ancient Egyptian architecture Member of the Art Society of NY

TECH EXPERIENCE:

Basic knowledge about operating systems Uses the Internet frequently either for personal or business purposes

TECH ATTITUDE:

Always open to new technology, but she feels annoyed with complex applications and discards them very often

Tends to feel numb using the latest high-tech gadgets and needs time to get used to them

GOALS & SITUATED BLOGGING NEED:

Needs to keep track of her location and time when she (a) finds and photographs graffiti and street art for her blog and (b) conducts audio interviews of artists and enthusiasts

Needs to have a quick way of keeping track of content gathered from separate locations in order to post articles before editorial deadlines

Purpose

Empathy: characters to engage and relate to

Focus: can focus on specific people and needs, versus always attempting to design for everybody

Communication: conveys range of data, can help make assumptions more explicit

Multiple Types

Primary, Secondary, Supplemental, Customer, Served, Negative

Goals

Life Goals: personal aspirations

e.g., to retire before the age of 50

Experience Goals: how to feel with a product

e.g., to be competent while using the product

End Goals: tangible outcomes with a design

e.g., to be updated about finances over last month

Roles

Personas do not necessarily equal roles

e.g., parent, doctor, programmer, actor

People can have multiple roles

People in a role can have different needs and goals

e.g., new programmer vs. experienced programmer

e.g., parent of 1 vs. parent of 8

e.g., oncologist vs. podiatrist

Critical to avoid using stereotypes as personas

"The whole point in creating personas is to get past our personal opinions and presuppositions."

Goodwin, 2002

Not a substitute for design research, but a tool for summarizing and conveying that research

Collect design research data

Segment people

Create personas for segments



Parxat Practical

Primary Motivation to acquire phone:

I got my mobile phone to make calls when I am away from

Associated motivations:

I got a good price on my phone and mobile phones are cheaper

Personal Profile

"Mobile phones are part of your communications its like eyes and ears"

For Parxat, mobile phones have provided a key way to stay in contact with work, family and friends.

He owns and manages a small computer game club with eight computers. His club does not yet have internet or a landline; however, he would like to add the internet and more computers when he can afford them.

Currently, Parxat maintains all of the computers but knows he may need help with some computer problems in the future. Other club owners that he has known have had to shut down after two to three years because the equipment has broken down and the owners cannot get the old equipment fixed or afford new. Right now he is not sure who he would ask for help if one of his computers needed maintenance that he could not perform himself.

Parxat has always relied heavily on a system of personal recommendations when looking for professional services. He feels that one should "trust the advice of friends because they are to be trusted."

Parxat's Goals for MoSoSo Directory

- · Would seek recommendations for professional help such as plumbers and computer maintenance
- · Would like to create a public recommendation for his computer
- . Groups he would join or create

Family

Clients from his computer club

Friends through work

Key Significant Differences

Uses the phone for work calls Bought his mobile phone (not a gift) Tech savvy compared to other groups

Personal Information

Age: 43 years

Profession: Owns and manages computer game club with eight computers

Lives: In the capital city of Bishkek

Home Life: Lives with his wife and two sons

Russian: Can speak and read fluently

Primary Home Language: Kyrgyz Primary Work Language: Russian

Schooling: He has a degree in economics focused

on finance and credit from Kyrgyzstan Slavonic University

Income: 5200 soms a month (approx \$140.00)

Technical Information

Internet Use: Yes, at least occasionally

Length of use: 36 months

Use how often: 1-2 days a week

Where use: Most often at a friend's internet cafe

Computer User: Yes

How often: Several times a day at work

Cable or Satellite TV: Yes

Home Landline: Yes

Mobile Phone Use

Length of use: 28 months

How acquired: Bought his phone new

Use how often: Usually a few times a day

For: 60% personal calls, 40% work calls

SMS: Yes: 70% voice, 30% text

Feelings and concerns:

Concerned that mobile phone

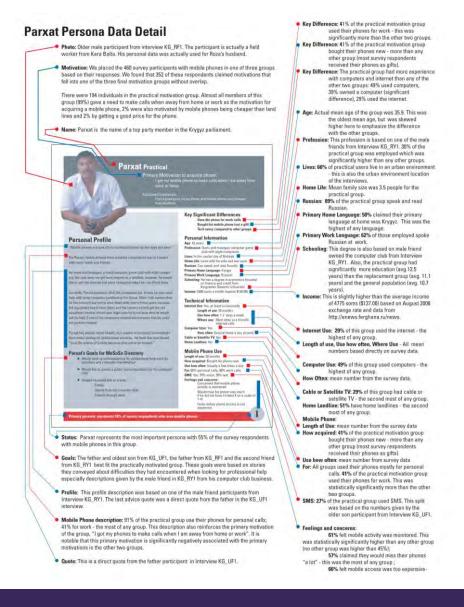
activity is monitored

Would miss his phone very much

if he did not have it (rated 4 on a scale of

Feels mobile phone access is too

expensive





Shirin Social

Primary Motivation to acquire phone: I like people to reach me at all times

Associated motivations: My friends all have mobile phones

Personal Profile

"We just talk to our friends....things like did you hear that this or that happened - in our communication rumors are the official news, and assis works"

For Shirin, keeping in contact with friends is the most important thing about mobile phones.

She is a full time student (junior) at American University of Central Asia (AUCA), studying business administration. She also works part time as a bartender in a cafe.

Shirin is part of an unregistered student association at school that organizes cultural and historical meetings at a local cafe. She also enjoys arranging parties for her friends.

She is interested in social networking applications on the internet, but has found it boring, stating" the first time is interesting then you get bored because you already know everybody."

Shirin's Goals for MoSoSo Directory

- . Would use the service most to create groups of friends
- Would like to broadcast messages to particular groups or to tell people where there will be social gatherings
- Would like to retrieve messages from other members of a group
- Groups she would join or create

Family

Friends from work and school

Associations through her unregistered student organization

Key Significant Differences

Uses the phone to primarily to call friends Least likely to feel mobile access is too

Somewhat tech savvy

Personal Information

Age: 20 years

Profession: Student and works part time as a bartender in a local cafe

Lives: In the capital city of Bishkek

Home Life: Lives with her dad and an older brother.

She also has around 30 cousins in towns.

Russian: Can speak and read fluently

Primary Home Language: Kyrgyz

Primary Work Language: Kyrgyz

Schooling: She is a full time student (junior) at the American University of Central Asia studying business administration

Income: 2000 soms a month (approx \$55.00)

Technical Information

Internet Use: Yes, at least occasionally

Length of use: 33 months

Use how often: About once a week

Where use: Most often at an internet cafe

Computer User: Yes

How often: A few times a week at school

Cable or Satellite TV: Yes

Home Landline: Yes

Mobile Phone Use

Length of use: 25 months

How acquired: Was given the phone by a cousin

Use how often: Several times a day

For: 80% personal calls, 20% work calls

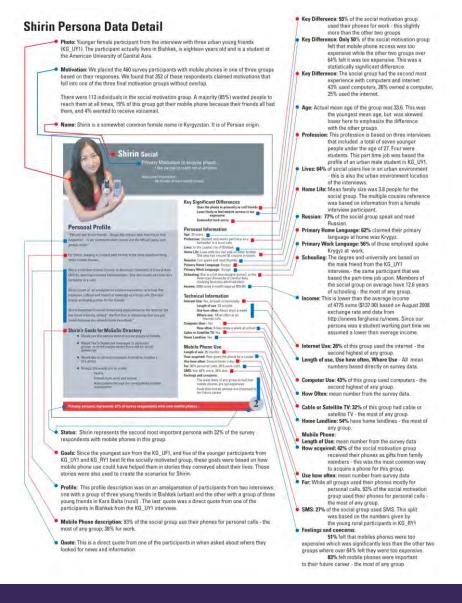
SMS: Yes: 65% voice, 35% text

Feelings and concerns:

The least likely of any group to feel that

mobile phones are too expensive Feels that mobile phones are important to

her future career





Roza Replacement

Primary Motivation to acquire phone: I have no home phone

Associated motivations: It takes too long to get a home phone

Personal Profile

"There are only so many services provided, but not enough for middle class people... it would be nice if there was the one server that gave the information about everything that was needed for marshukas (buses) and other things."

For Roza, who does not have a landline at home, a mobile phone is a very important device that allows her to stay in contact with her friends and family; however, she would like to see more affordable mobile phone services for "middle class" people like her.

There is only one landline in a community building in her village that closes at 5 PM every day.

While Roza herself is not tech savvy; she does not use the internet or computers. However, she recognizes the importance of technology for her daughters, and would like to have a computer at home while they are in school.

Roza and her husband rely on their friends and family to find specialist to complete services they need. Recently, she needed to find a mechanic and used her social network, stating "...it's better to find someone through your friends."

Roza's Goals for MoSoSo Directory

- · Would be more likely to seek a recommendation for services than to make one
- · Would want to access the service without using text
- · Would like to find recommendations for professional services from other members of a group
- · Groups she would join

Family

Neighbors

May look in the public area for professional services

Key Significant Differences

Least likely to use the phone for work Lives in a rural area Not tech savvy

Personal Information

Age: 35 years

Profession: Housewife - her husband is a driver for

an agricultural corporation (for 23 years) Lives: In Ceragulak, a rural village

Home Life: Lives with her husband, son and two daughters

Russian: Can speak and read Russian

Primary Home Language: Kyrgyz

Primary (Husband's)Work Language: Kyrgyz

Schooling: Completed secondary school Income: (Husband's income) 4200 soms a month

(approx \$110.00)

Technical Information

Internet Use?: No

Computer User? : No, but she would like to get a computer for her two daughters who are

still in school Cable or Satellite TV: No Home Landline: No

Mobile Phone Use

Length of use: 17 months

How acquired: Was given the phone by her brother

Use how often: Three to five days a week

For: Primarily for personal calls

SMS: No. but has considered it

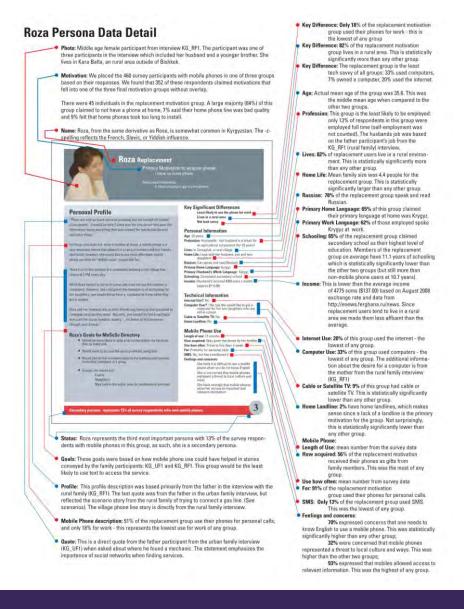
Feelings and concerns:

She feels it is difficult to use a mobile phone when you do not know English

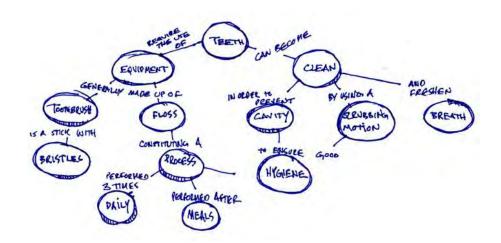
She is concerned that mobile phones represent a threat to local culture and

ways

She feels strongly that mobile phones allow her access to important and relevant information



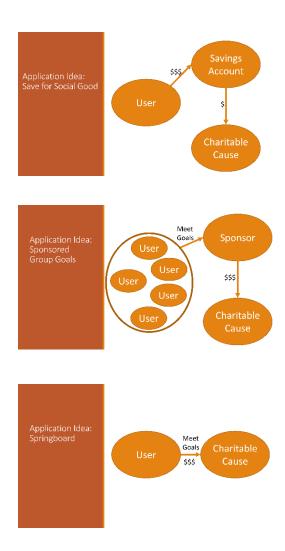
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Project Status

Looking Forward

2c: Design Research Check-In due Tonight

2d: Design Research Review due Monday 10/16

2e: Task Review due Thursday 10/19

2f: Design Check-In (3x4) Due Monday 10/23

2g: Design Review (1x2) Due Thursday 10/26

Selecting Tasks

Real tasks people have faced or requested as supported by your design research collect any necessary materials

Should provide reasonable coverage compare check list of functions to tasks

Mixture of simple and complex tasks
easy tasks (common or introductory)
moderate tasks
difficult tasks (infrequent or for power use)

What Should Tasks Look Like?

Say what person wants to do, but not how allows comparing different design alternatives

Be specific, stories based in concrete facts

say who person is (e.g., using personas or profiles) design can really differ depending on who give 'names' (allows referring back with more info later) characteristics of person (e.g., job, expertise)

story forces us to fill in description with details

Sometimes describe a complete "accomplishment" forces us to consider how features work together

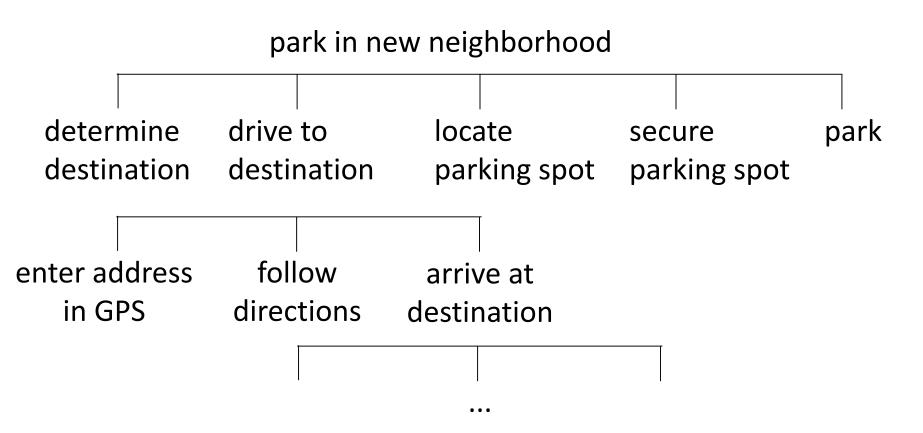
filename task example

Task: Park in a New Neighborhood

Peter is going to brunch on a Sunday with his roommates. He is trying a new place he found on Yelp. He has the address for the place and he is using his phone's GPS for directions. He leaves the apartment with his roommates at 8:30am and he wants to beat the crowd so they won't have to wait in line. He is driving a Toyota Corolla that he has owned for five years. It is a rainy day and he doesn't have an umbrella.

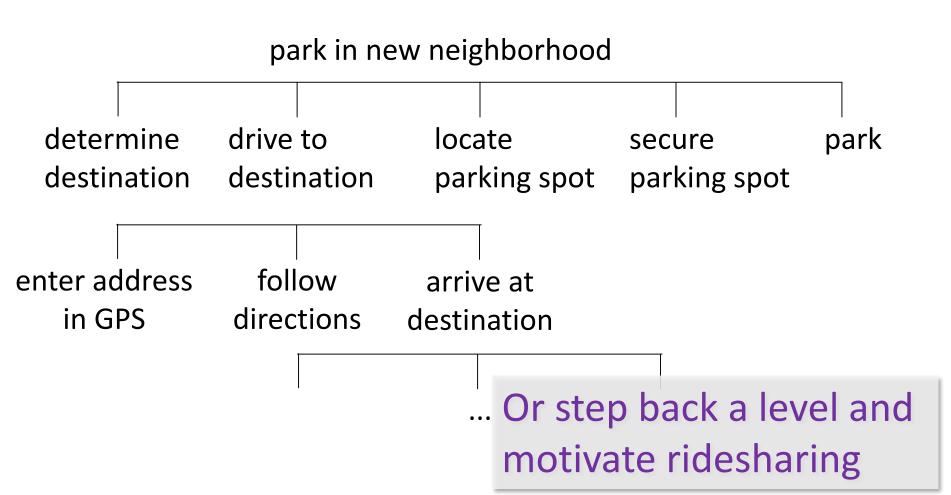
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Using Tasks in Design

Write up a description of tasks formally or informally run by people and rest of the design team get more information where needed

Manny is in the city at a restaurant and would like to call his friend Sherry to see when she will be arriving. She called from a friend's house while he was in the bus tunnel, so he missed her call. He would like to check his missed calls and find the number to call her back.

Using Tasks in Design

Rough out an interface design discard features that do not support your tasks or add a real task that exercises that feature major elements and functions, not too detailed hand sketched

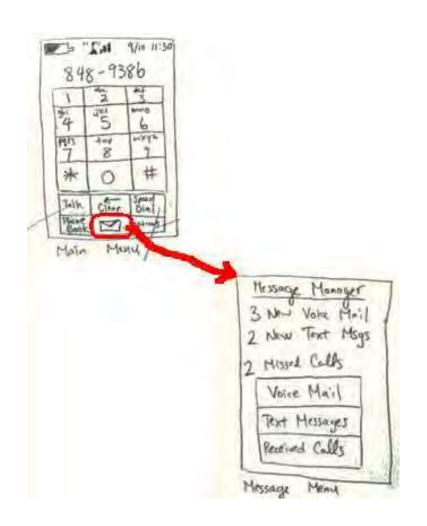
Produce scenarios for each task what person does and what they see step-by-step performance of task illustrate using storyboards

Scenarios

Scenarios are design specific, tasks are not

Scenarios force us to show how things work together settle arguments with examples but these are only examples, and may need to look beyond flaws

Show people storyboards topic for next Thursday



Tasks, Personas, and Scenarios

Task: a design-agnostic objective

Persona: a fictional person with a backstory

Scenario: narrative that demonstrates a persona completing a task using a particular design

Use Case: in software engineering, describes requirements using one or more scenarios

Tasks in Your Projects

Say what is accomplished, not how

Real tasks that people currently encounter, or new tasks your design will enable

Reasonable coverage of the interesting aspects of your problem and your design space

Range of difficulty and complexity

Park at the zoo

Park Friday night in Ballard

Park at the airport

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12:00 to 1:20

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