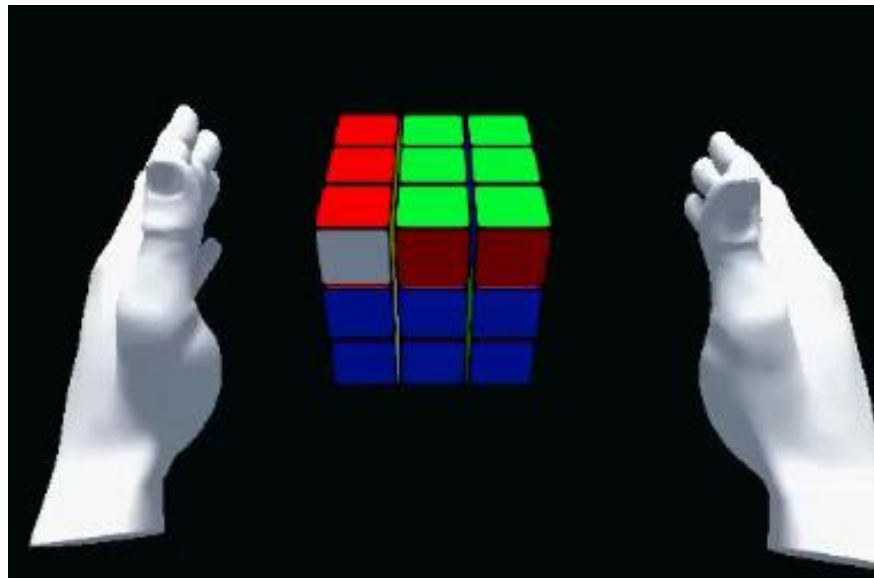




# Human-Computer Interaction



# Outline

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- Course Information
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“ the HCI discipline investigates and tackles all issues related to the design and implementation of the interface between humans and computers. “

“It expanded from early graphical user interfaces to include myriad interaction techniques and devices, multi-modal interactions, ..., and a host of emerging ubiquitous, handheld and context-aware interactions”

P Montuschi, P., Sanna, A., Lamberti, L, and Paravati, G., "Human-Computer Interaction: Present and Future Trends," Computing Now, vol. 7, no. 9, September 2014  
<http://www.computer.org/web/computingnow/archive/september2014>

Carroll, John M., “Human Computer Interaction - brief intro”. In: Soegaard, Mads and Dam, Rikke Friis (eds.). "The Encyclopedia of Human-Computer Interaction, 2nd Ed.". Aarhus, Denmark: The Interaction Design Foundation.  
[https://www.interaction-design.org/encyclopedia/human\\_computer\\_interaction\\_hci.html](https://www.interaction-design.org/encyclopedia/human_computer_interaction_hci.html)

- “As popular computing has grown, the role of HCI has increased. Most software today is interactive, and code related to the interface is more than half of all code.”
- “HCI also has a key role in application design. In a consumer market, a product’s success depends on each user’s experience with it. Unfortunately, great engineering on the back end will be undone by a poor interface, and a good UI can carry a product in spite of weaknesses inside.”
- “Innovation in the product is a nice virtue, but it’s an option in terms of marketability. Usability is not.”

Canny, J., The Future of HCI, ACM Queue, Jul.-Aug., 2006, pp.25-32

- “Those of us who deal with user interfaces tend to think primarily in terms of computer programs. But **user interface problems in the real world are often worse** since the real world is not nearly as malleable as the computer world. An ideal solution, even if we know what it is, might not be practical to implement.”
- “The real world is just as much a nuisance to design for as the computer world, and maybe more.”

Blinn, J, “User Interface Stories from the Real World”, *IEEE Computer Graphics and Applications*, Jan./Feb, 2005, pp.92-93



“The interface between humans and computers is harder than ever to define, we can interact with computers just by walking through a public space.”

Sellen, A., Rogers, Y., Harper, R., & Rodden, T., “Human Values in the Digital Age”, *Communications of the ACM*, 52(3), March 2009, pp. 58–66



- “What will Human - Computer Interaction (HCI) be like in the year 2020?”
- “That question is important because HCI ... has a **pivotal part to play in the 21st**, when computers will become so **pervasive** that how humans interact with them will be a crucial issue for society”



## About this course:

Main objectives you should attain:

- understanding the importance of the User Interface (UI) of an interactive system;
- knowledge of the fundamental concepts, methods and techniques for the:
  - design
  - implementation
  - evaluation of Interactive Computer Systems



# Course information

- Code:
  - 41549 – 6 ECTS
- Web
  - <http://sweet.ua.pt/bss>
  - Materials also in moodle.ua.pt
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# Lectures and Lab classes

Lectures - slides, discussion and paper presentation

Lab classes – design, implementation and evaluation of User Interfaces (UIs)  
and interactive applications  
participation in user studies



You will have the opportunity to:

Learn the fundamentals of this pivotal field

Attend the presentation of cutting edge research

Test and use new interaction and display equipment

Develop for various platforms

Participate in user studies and usability tests



# Attending lectures and lab classes

- Presence in lectures will help you in several ways.
- Presence in lab classes is mandatory and will be registered formally and you cannot pass if you do not have the minimum required (80%).
  - [Mondays            13 classes – must attend 11]
  - [Tuesdays          15 classes – must attend 12]
- Students that have a full time job must contact responsible faculty members during the two first weeks of the semester

# Lectures (subject to minor changes)

**(TP1, TP2)**

**1 (15,16/02/16)** - Introduction to the course and to Human-Computer Interaction

List of papers to be presented by the students

**2 (22,23/02/16)** - Usability Principles and paradigms

[Paper presentation guidelines](#). Presentation of papers

**3 (29/02,1/03/16)** – The User: Human Information Processing System (HIPS)

Presentation of papers

**4 (07,08/03/16)** – The User (cont.) Mental models. Conceptual models

Presentation of papers

**5 (14,15/03/16)** – Dialog styles: a classification. Menus and Direct manipulation

Presentation of papers

**W1 (29/03/16)** – (only Tuesday) - Workshop on Human-Robot Interaction

**6 (4,5/04/16)** – Other dialog styles

Presentation of papers

**(TP1,TP2)**

**7 (11,12/04/16)** – Screen Layout. Color models and color usage

Presentation of papers

**8 (18,19/04/16)** – . The Interactive S/W lifecycle. Models for UI design: user models

Presentation of papers

**W2 (26/04/16)** – (only Tuesday) - Workshop on 3D User Interfaces

**9 (02,03/05/16)** – Models for UI design: task analysis and dialog notation

Presentation of papers

**10 (16,17/05/16)** – Models for UI design: task analysis and dialog notation (cont.)

Presentation of papers

**11 (23,24/05/16)** – Input/output devices

Presentation of papers .

**12 (30,31/05/16)** – Input/output devices

Presentation of papers

**13 (02,03/06/16)** –. UI evaluation

Presentation of papers

# Lab classes (subject to minor changes)

## Monday; Tuesday

**1 (15,16/02/16)** – Introduction to the Lab classes

**2 (22,23/02/16)** - Evaluation of UIs using Heuristic Evaluation and Cognitive Walkthrough.

[Practical assignment n.1](#)

**3 (29/02,1/03/16)** – Evaluation of UIs using Observation. Usability testing.

**4 (07,08/03/16)** – Presentation and discussion of assignment n. 1.  
**Submission of assignment n.1**

**5 (14,15/03/16)** – UI design and implementation. Introduction to event driven programming - Visual C#

**TO1 (29/03/16)** – (Tuesday only) UI design and implementation.

[Practical assignment n.2](#)

Introduction to event driven programming - Visual C#

## Monday; Tuesday

6 (04,05/04/14) – UI design and implementation - Visual C#

7 (11,12/04/16) – UI design and paper prototyping

8 (18,19/04/16) – UI design and implementation- implementation in Visual C#

TO2 (26/04/16) – (Tuesday only)

9 (02,03/05/16) – UI implementation- Introduction to other tools

10 (16,17/05/16) – UI design and implementation- Usability test

11 (23,24/05/16) – UI design and implementation

**Submission of assignment n.2**

12 (30,31/05/16) – Presentation, demo and discussion of practical assignment n.2

13 (02,03/06/16) – Presentation, demo and discussion of practical assignment n.2  
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**Final Mark -> Exam (50%) + group assignments (50%)**

Minimum mark in each part – 7.5/20

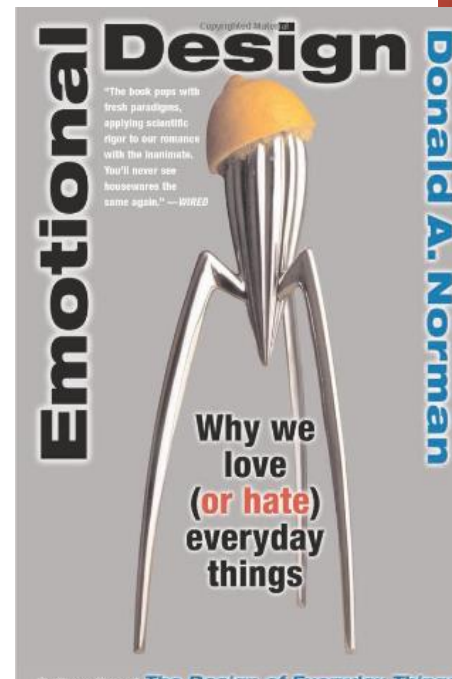
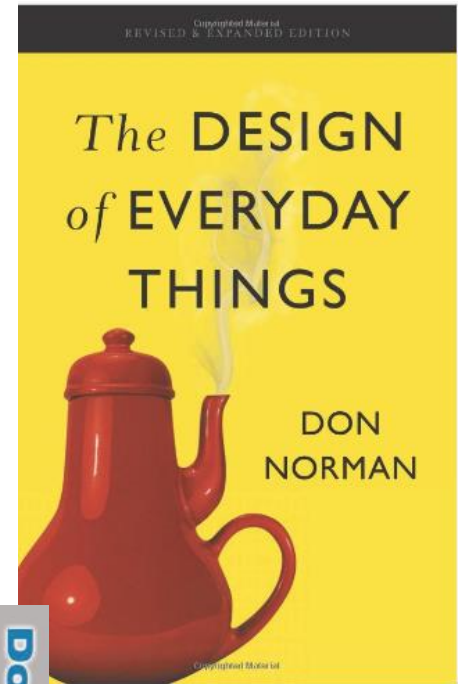
- paper presentation (10%) + assignment n. 1 (5%) + assignment n.2 (35%)
- paper to select from a conference -> 15 min presentation
- assignment n. 1: heuristic evaluation -> presentation, demo and discussion
- assignment n. 2: design and implementation of a UI -> presentation, demo discussion and report

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# Interesting books

- Donald Norman, *The design of everyday things*, Basic Books, Revised Edition, 2013
- Donald Norman, *Emotional Design: Why We Love (or Hate) Everyday Things*, Basic Books, 2010



# Reading and presenting a conference paper



## Monday and Tuesday lectures: CHI 2015

[Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems](#)



## Tuesday Workshops:



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**March 03–06**

9th ACM/IEEE International Conference on Human-Robot Interaction

- HRI
- 3DUI 2015



**IEEE 10th Symposium on 3D User Interfaces**

# Paper presentation assignment (groups of two students)

- Monday lectures - 24 paper presentations (papers from CHI 2015)
- Tuesday lectures – 24 paper presentations (papers from CHI 2015)
- Tuesday Workshops:

March 29 – Human-Robot Interaction – 6 paper presentations  
(papers from HRI or specific sessions of CHI2015)

April 26 – 3D User Interfaces – 6 paper presentations  
(papers from 3DUI 2015 or specific sessions of CHI2015)

- Volunteers to present a paper next week?



Note that:

- Volunteers have absolute priority in selecting the paper
- And will have this assignment done (10% of final mark) soon in the semester

## Until February 23:

Each group (two students) should:

- select paper (with  $\geq 8$  pages) from the conference proceedings (CHI2015, HRI or 3DUI 2015 according the date selected)
- indicate the preferred paper via a form and select the date via doodle
- wait for approval of paper and date (posted on Moodle)
- read the paper presentation guidelines (available at the course web page)
- prepare a 15 min presentation (~15 slides)
- submit the slides to [bss@ua.pt](mailto:bss@ua.pt) before the lecture at the defined date

# Paper and date selection

- Paper selection – through the form:

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- Date selection – through the following doodles

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Tuesday lectures: <http://doodle.com/poll/66ap9rvpeevcpr2m>

Tuesday workshops: <http://doodle.com/poll/ty3e8x6vpznttggf>



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Conference site:

<https://chi2015.acm.org/>

Videos of keynote speakers:

<https://chi2015.acm.org/program/keynotes/>

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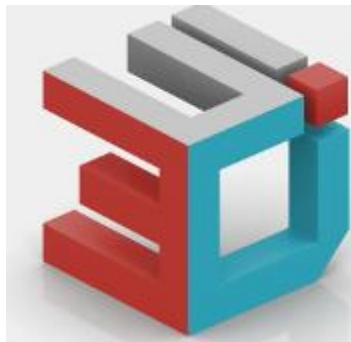
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<http://humanrobotinteraction.org/2016/authors/full-papers/themes-for-submissions/>

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**IEEE 10th Symposium on 3D User Interfaces**

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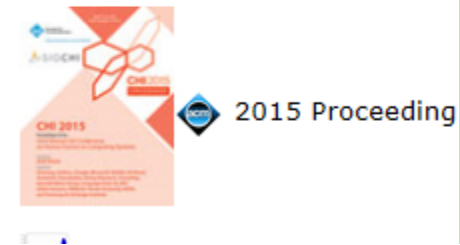
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# Example: Selecting a paper from CHI 2015



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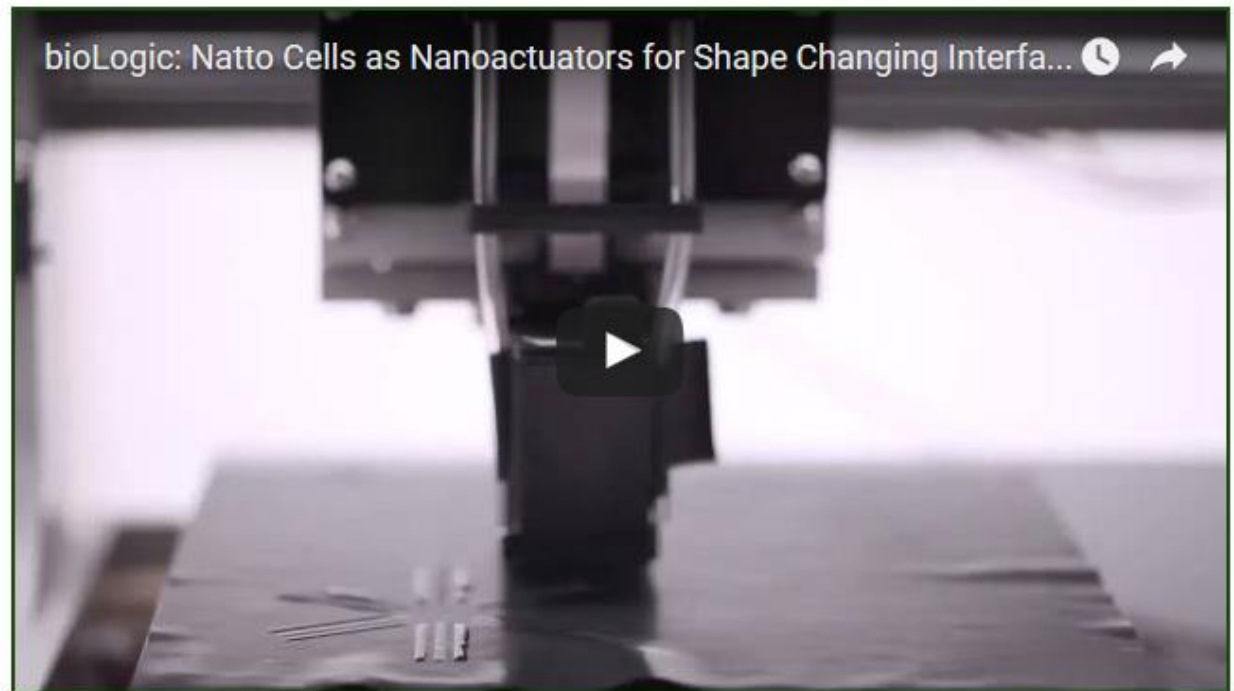


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technologies for HCI researchers, designers and bio-hackers. More generally, we try to encourage the research and use of biological responsive materials and interdisciplinary research in HCI.



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