January 27, 2022 Assistive Tableware for Persons with Cognitive Impairments

ENGR110/210 Perspectives in Assistive Technology



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Questions, Comments, Suggestions, or Concerns?



Attendance

Working on attendance sheets

Make up missed class sessions by watching Zoom or camcorder video, reviewing class session webpage (slides and links), and meeting with me

Upcoming class sessions

- Issues of Human Interface Design -Gary M. Berke, MS, CP, FAAOP - Tue, Feb 1st
- Accessible Making: Designing Makerspaces for Accessibility - by Zoom Katherine M. Steele, PhD, MS - Thu, Feb 3rd
- Mid-term Student Project Presentations Tue, Feb 8th
- Assistive Robotics Thu, Feb 10th Monroe Kennedy III, PhD





Students working on Team Projects

- Connect with project partner
- "Understand the Problem"
- Brainstorming
- Select Design Concept(s)
- Sketches, low resolution prototypes
- Prepare for Mid-Term presentation and Report
- Contact me if you have questions about your project direction
- Weekly Meet with me or Bennett to report on project progress
- Team budget = \$200
- Submit progress reports to both Bennett and me







Students working on Team Projects Mid-term Presentations in 12 days!

- Mid-term presentations will be 7 minutes
- Project title, background, problem, aim, design criteria, "understanding the problem" & brainstorming activities, and selected solution, with low resolution prototype
- Send slides to me, to be run from my laptop
- Strive to be professional
- Include feeling & emotion
- Presentation tips on course website
- Signup Sheet for presentation order will be available in class next week

Students working on Team Projects Mid-term Report

- Mid-term report 10 to 15 pages of narrative text and images
- Suggested format different for fabrication vs non-fabrication projects
- Include sketches and photos
- Goal: short, concise, well-written, and highly readable report with few grammatical and spelling errors.
- Report Writing Tips documents suggested report features

Students working on Individual Projects

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- Meet with me to approve your project, get information
- Submit project name
- Contact me if you have questions about your project direction
- Weekly Meet with me or Bennett to report on project progress
- Submit progress reports to both Bennett & me

Reminder - Work with Diligence

- ► Time is your team's most precious resource
- ▶ 12 days until Mid-term Presentations Tue, Feb 8th
- It is not too early to outline your presentation & report



Tuesday, February 1st



Issues of Human Interface Design

Gary M. Berke, MS, CP, FAAOP Stanford Medical Center and Berke Prosthetics & Orthotics

Today, January 27th



From Idea to Market: Eatwell, Assistive Tableware for Persons with Cognitive Impairments

Sha Yao - Sha Design

Overview of Accessibility



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Accessibility is a:

- Property
- Design concept
- Design specification
- Design consideration
- Design goal
- Product feature



That enables people:

- Individuals with disabilities:
 - Sensory
 - Physical
 - Cognitive
 - Neurological
- Older adults
- Kids
- Everyone









- Sight
- Sound
- Touch
- Smell
- Mobility
- Understanding
- Communication
- Manipulation
- Teaching / learning



With the real world:

- Other people
- Infrastructure:
 - Buildings
 - Institutions
 - Transportation systems
- Products:
 - Computers
 - Internet
 - Websites
 - Household items
 - Office items





Through an enhanced hardware and / or software user interface:

- Alternate ways
- Augmented ways
- Customized ways
- Preferred ways



For these purposes:

- Education
- Vocation
- Recreation
- Daily living

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The Goal of Accessibility



The ultimate goal of the accessibility movement is to ensure that everyone - regardless of ability or disability - has an equal chance to participate in society. In the face of constant technological change, this becomes more difficult but also extremely necessary. The only way to allow people with disabilities to engage fully in the activities that interest them is to give them access to all the possibilities open to everyone else, including those offered by twenty first century technology.

Accessible Technology in the 21st Century

<u>The Future</u>

Examples of Devices that Provide Accessibility

Building Access

- Door Opener
- Ramps
- Workspaces
- Signage
- ATMs











As the computer age continues, more and more technology is being created to make computers and the internet accessible for people of all ability levels.

For **visually impaired users**, programs offer audio description or screen reading, while monitor settings can be modified to make visual reading easier or Braille embossers can be added as alternative output devices.





Accessible Technology in the 21st Century

Introduction







For **individuals with hearing difficulties**, captioning and **visual notifications** instead of sound can offer more freedom in using a computer.







Accessible Technology in the 21st Century
Introduction



Adaptive keyboards and mice allow people with motor disabilities to get their input into a computer, while speech recognition is software that allows control of a computer by voice.









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Introduction

For **those with cognitive disabilities**, programs can be set up to read text aloud while it is displayed.



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Text-to-speech output	Sandara Antonio
PREFERRED ENGINE	
Google Text-to-speech Engine	퍜
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GENERAL	
Speech rate Speed at which the text is spoken	
Listen to an example Play a short demonstration of speech synthesis	



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Introduction

Examples of Devices that Provide Accessibility

Computer Access

- Alternative Mouse
- Alternative Keyboard
- Screen Readers
- Voice Recognition
- Screen Magnifiers
- Braille Displays
- Captioned videos















Accessible Webpages

WCAG Guidelines (1 of 2)

- Provide equivalent alternatives to auditory and visual content
- Don't rely on color alone
- Use markup and style sheets and do so properly
- Clarify natural language usage
- Create tables that transform gracefully
- Ensure that pages featuring new technologies transform gracefully
- Ensure user control of time-sensitive content changes

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<u>Website Accessibility</u>





Accessible Webpages

WCAG Guidelines (2 of 2)

- Ensure direct accessibility of embedded user interfaces
- Design for device-independence
- Use interim solutions
- Use <u>W3C</u> technologies and guidelines
- Provide context and orientation information
- Provide clear navigation mechanisms
- Ensure that documents are clear and simple



DISABILITIES THAT AFFECT WEB USE HEARING VISUAL PHYSICAL COGNITIVE & DIFFICULTY DISABILITY NFUROLOGICA Visually impaired These disabilities Users with this Hearing impaired users range from users range from may affect a variet disability may have difficulty with those who are fully of intellectual and those who have social functions, difficult hearing soft blind to those who mobility or muscle sounds or some are color blind in such as memory. requencies to those some way. who are completely

user interfaces

In Summary



Accessibility is the design goal, feature, or criteria that allows people of differing abilities to share common resources.

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Examples of shared common resources are:

- buildings
- transportation systems
- consumer products including computers and software
- institutions such as schools, banks, government facilities, voting places
- facilities such as parks, playgrounds
- information systems such as books and the internet

In Summary

In many instances, the use of an assistive technology device can provide needed access to an otherwise inaccessible resource.

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Break Activities

- Attendance sheet
- Stand up and stretch
- Take a bio-break
- Text message
- Web-surf
- Respond to email
- Talk with classmates
- Reflect on what was presented in class







Short Break



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