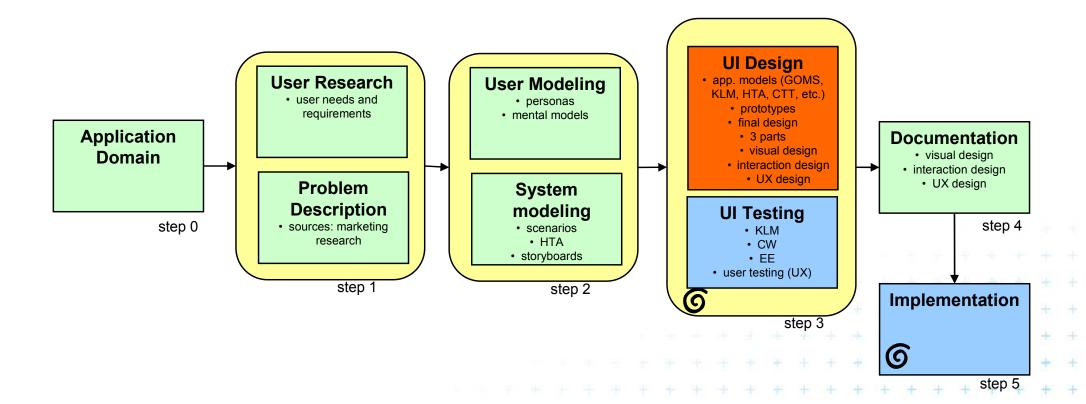


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Big Picture





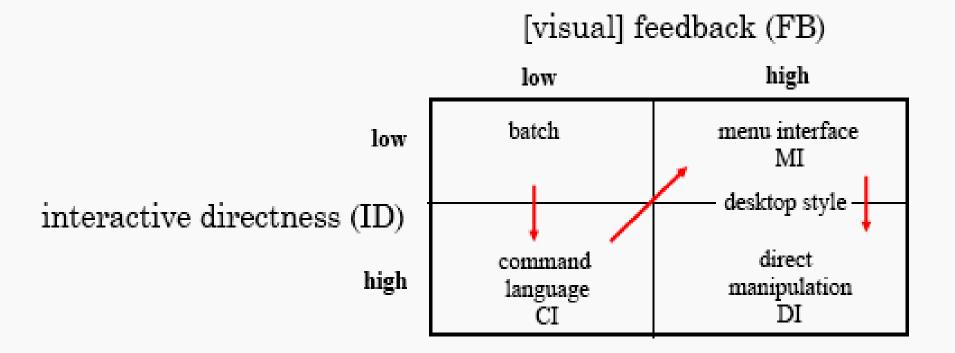


Interaction styles

- Direct manipulation (games)
- Navigation: Menu, links (web)
- Form fill-in (web)
- Command Language (unix)
- Natural language
- · ...



Classification of interaction styles



Rauterberg, M. (1998). About a method to measure the ergonomic quality of user interfaces in a task independent way. In: Technical proceedings of the workshop on emerging technologies in human engineering testing and evaluation (T.P. Enderwick & J. Geddie, eds.; pp. 128-144), unclassified Report No. AC/243(Panel 8)TP/17, NATO, Brussels.





Command language



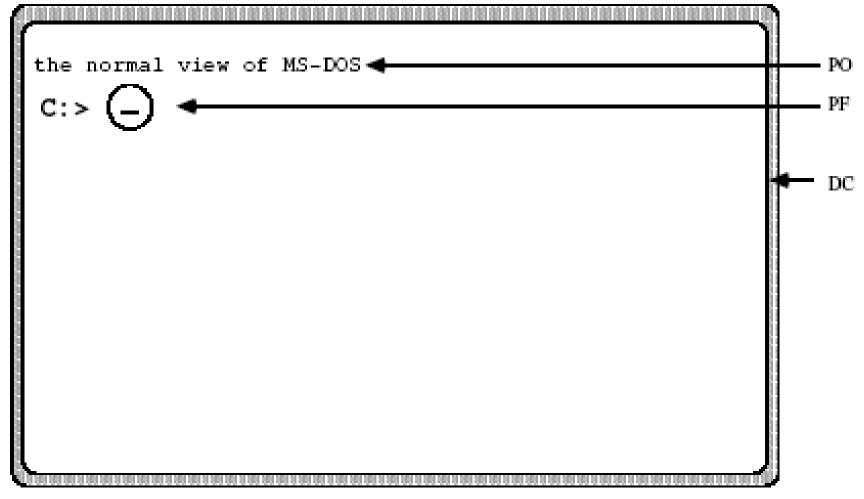


Command language

- Abbreviations of commands rules
- CL was in fact the first method of communication between users and computers (in wider extent) (DOS, Shell, terminal system for air tickets reservation, etc....)







[PO: perceivable object; PF: perceivable function point; DC: dialogue context]

(source Rauterberg, 1995)

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DCGI

Command name abbreviation design (2)

	Abbreviations			
Name	Poor:	Improved		
Move forward Move backward	MovF	MovF		
Move backward	Mvb	MovB		
Insert	I	Ins		
Delete	Dl	Del		
Replace	Repl	Rep		
Search	Srch	Sea		
Delete	X	Del		
Send	Sn	Sen		
Print	Prt	Pri		
Search	Srch	Sea		
Send	Sn	Sen		
Find	Fi	Fin		
Choose	Ch	Cho		

[Source: Mayhew (1992) chap 7]



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Description of command syntax

- BNF
- Syntactic diagram
- Finite state automaton (transition diagrams ...)
- Verbal description





Example of BNF description

```
<simple> ::= command> [<command_separator> <command>]*
<command> := <command_name> ["[" <argument> ["[" <parameter> "]"]* "]"]*
<argument> ::= <letter> [<letter>* | <digit>*]
<parameter> ::= <letter> [<letter>* | <digit>*]
sprompt> ::= (SIMPLE:)
<command separator> ::= ""
                      (CANCEL | CA) | (UNDO | UN) | (WRITE | WR) | (COPY | CO)
<command name> ::=
                       (DELETE | DE)
 Např.:
WRITE filename [length]
COPY input-filename [copies] output-filename
```



Command Language

Advantages

- Flexibility
- Loved by advanced users
- Supports user initiative
- Macros

Disadvantages

- Poor error handling
- Requires training





Menu





Menu

TYPES:

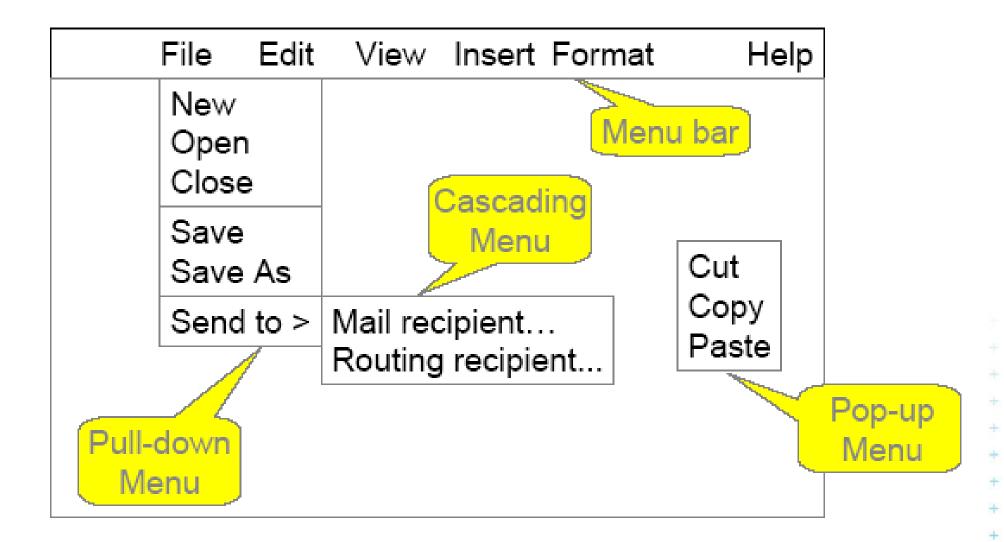
- Pop up
- Pull down
- Cascade

Advantage: it is not necessary to remember form of the command

Disadvantage: takes too much space on the screen (e.g. country selection)



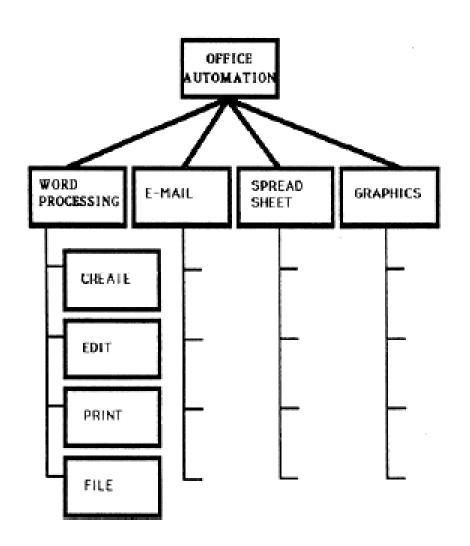




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Menu structure



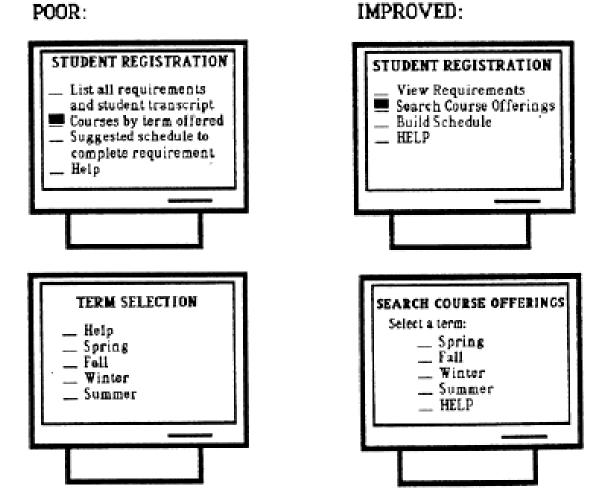
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Menu items should be brief, consistent in grammatical style and placement, and matched with corresponding menu titles.

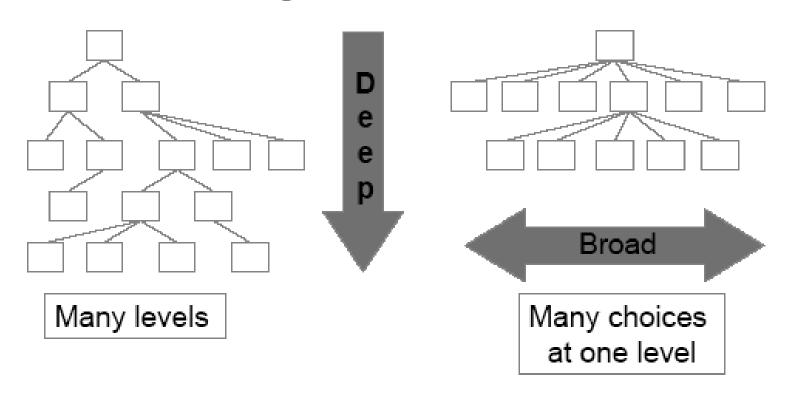


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Menu structure

Depth vs. Breadth



What is better?





Menu

Advantages

- Quick learning
- Limited input from keyboard
- Structured decision processes
- Simple error handling

Disadvantages

- Coexistence of many menus
- Can slow down experienced users
- Takes too much space on the screen





Form filling





Form fill-in

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Date of purchase	Order status						

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Software Engineering, 6th edition. Chapter 15

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Form fill-in

Advantages

- Simple data input
- No extensive training
- Gives good control over data input (checking letters, digits etc..)

<u>Disadavantage</u>

 It takes too much space on the screen





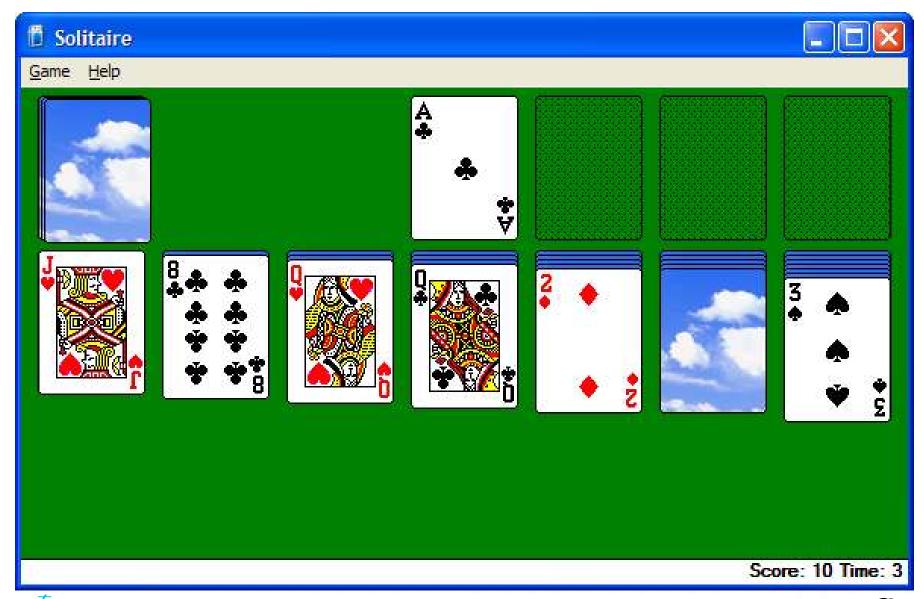




- Direct manipulation
 - UI gives feeling like the user works with real objects
 - Having feeling of the "real work"
- Main characteristics
 - Objects of interest are visible
 - Quick, reversible, incremental actions
 - Manipulation by means of pointing and cursor movement (e.g)
 - Immediate feedback
- Mostly based on metaphors e.g. house = database









Advantages

- Visual presentation of the task concept
- Easy learning
- Easy to remember (actions performed)
- Error proof
- Supports investigative spirit of the user
- High user satisfaction

Disadvantage

Extensive implementation requirements





INPUT: POINTING DEVICES

WHICH ARE THE BEST ONES?





Pros and Cons of Pointing Devices

	Cursor keys	Mouse	Joy stick	Trackball	Touch screen	Touch pad
Speed	Slow	Fast	Medium	Medium	Fast	medium
Accuracy	High	Medium	Medium	High	Low	Medium
Speed control	Some	Yes	Some	Yes	Yes	Yes
Continuous movement	No	Yes	Soe	Yes	Yes	Yes
Fatigue	Low	Medium	Medium	Medium	High	Medium
Directness	Direction	Direction, distance, speed	Direction	Direction, speed	Direction, distance, speed	Direction, distance, speed
Best uses	Cursor	Cursor, point, select, draw, drag	Cursor, point, select, track, drag	Cursor, point, select, track	Point, select	Point, select

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D.CV.

- Uvažujte nějakou známou aplikaci s daným stylem interakce.
- Pokuste se tento styl interakce nahradit jiným stylem a pokuste se oba případy porovnat
- Takový případ může např. nastat v případě modifikace UI pro postižené uživatele





New interaction styles





New interaction styles

- Speech based UI
- Gestures (Wii etc...) compter vision, gyro
- NVVI
- Haptic devices, force feedback (Phantom etc..)
- Bio signals
- Eyetracking
- VR (dataglove, data suit ,...)





Natural language

Advantages

- No training in artificial language syntax
- Natural feeling in various environments (phone etc.)

<u>Disadvantages</u>

- Usually requires introductory dialogue
- Sometimes the context is not obvious
- Sometimes the dialogue is unpredictable





Eye tracking

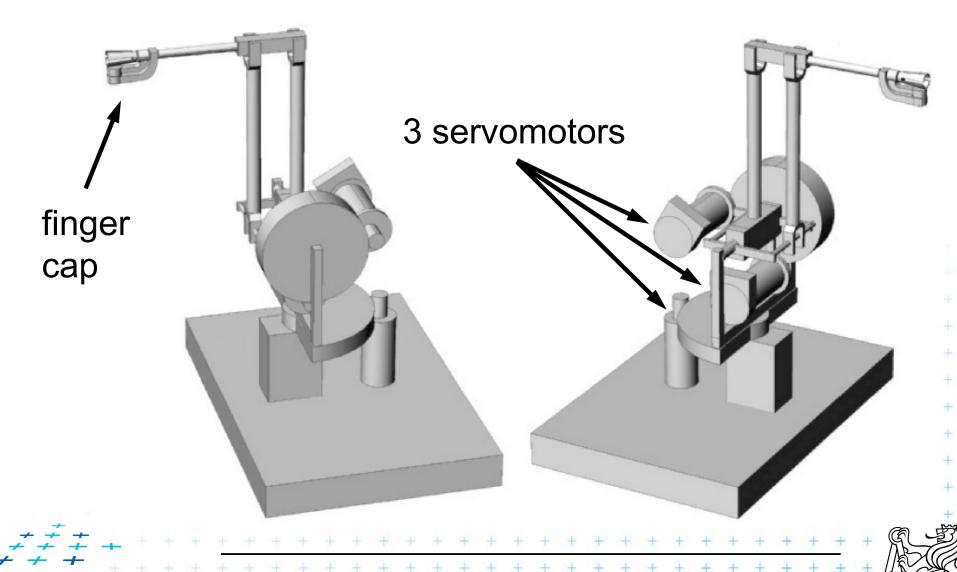
- Precision 1-2 degrees
- Applications: motoric handicapped users



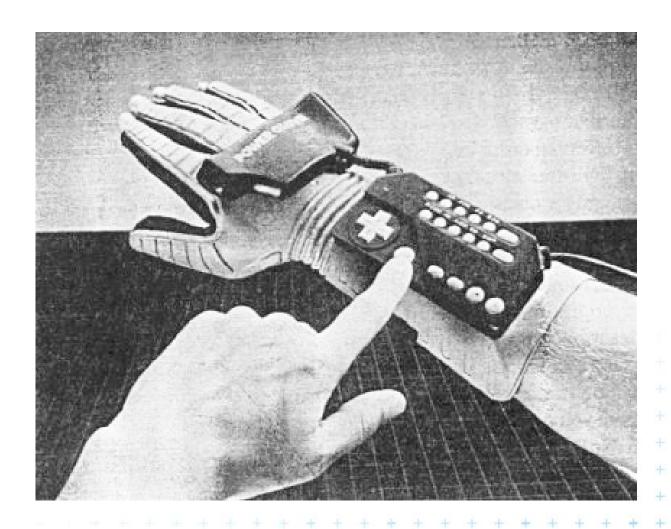




Phantom



Simple data glove (Mattel)

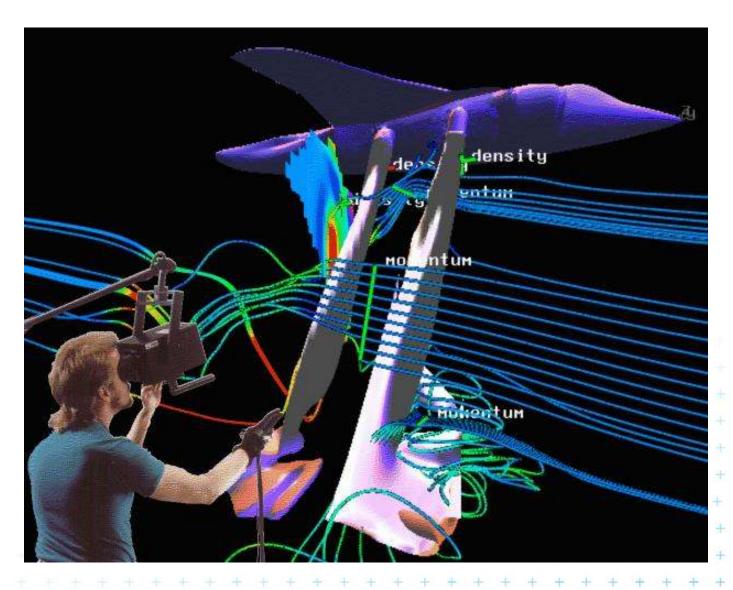


Power Glove





NASA Virtual Wind Tunnel







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