



EMOTIONS IN SYSTEMS



PRIMARY GOAL VS SECONDARY GOAL

Which one?



PRIMARY GOAL

- Eliciting emotion is the purpose of the product eg games, entertainment, art
- X May need more functional support eg tv remote, uploading to flickr, google photos



SECONDARY GOAL

Eliciting emotion is NOT the main purpose of the product but having positive emotions is helpful for the overall experience.
Eg online shopping



SYSTEMS AND EMOTION INPUT VS OUTPUT



ELICIT EMOTION

Designed to create a feeling eg feeling of trust with a bank, excitement when booking a holiday



DETECT AND RESPOND TO EMOTION

- Detect emotion: eg language, facial expressions, physiological senses
- Modify or adapt the system: eg heart rate is monitored to increase or decrease the difficulty of the game



CONDUIT FOR EMOTION

X Recording or transmitting users own emotions eg emojis



APPLICATION AREAS

Extrinsic vs Intrinsic motivation and Persuasive interfaces

Home, intimacy and expressing identity

When designing online experiences, it isn't about replicating the physical experience, it's about understanding what does the user want and how they feel about it – Alan Dix; Author, HCI professor



DESIGNING FOR PEAK EXPERIENCE

How do we do this?



HOW TO DESIGN FOR PEAK EXPERIENCE

- **X** Study the individual user
- Design for niche groups
- **X** Look at extreme users
- X Focus on specific and eclectic ideas and inspiration
- X It sometimes is designed from concept to use



WHEN TO SEEK PEAK EXPERIENCE

× Individual choice

- User Experience Central eg the phone experience
- Long Tail many applications for smaller groups

WHO WINS?

