

# INFO3315 - HCI

## Human-Computer Interaction

Week 2

Tute/Lecture Wednesday 8 August

# Overview

- Activity 0 – last week's CUSP information
- Activity 1 – Task 1 from mini-assignment
  - Tutors will grade your affordance concept map as they help you with the class activity
- Activity 2: introducing Assignment 1
  - Explore ***your*** mobile phone data
  - Explore mine
- Activity 3: First core goal on activity level
  - Some examples to consider
- Highlighting goals and tasks

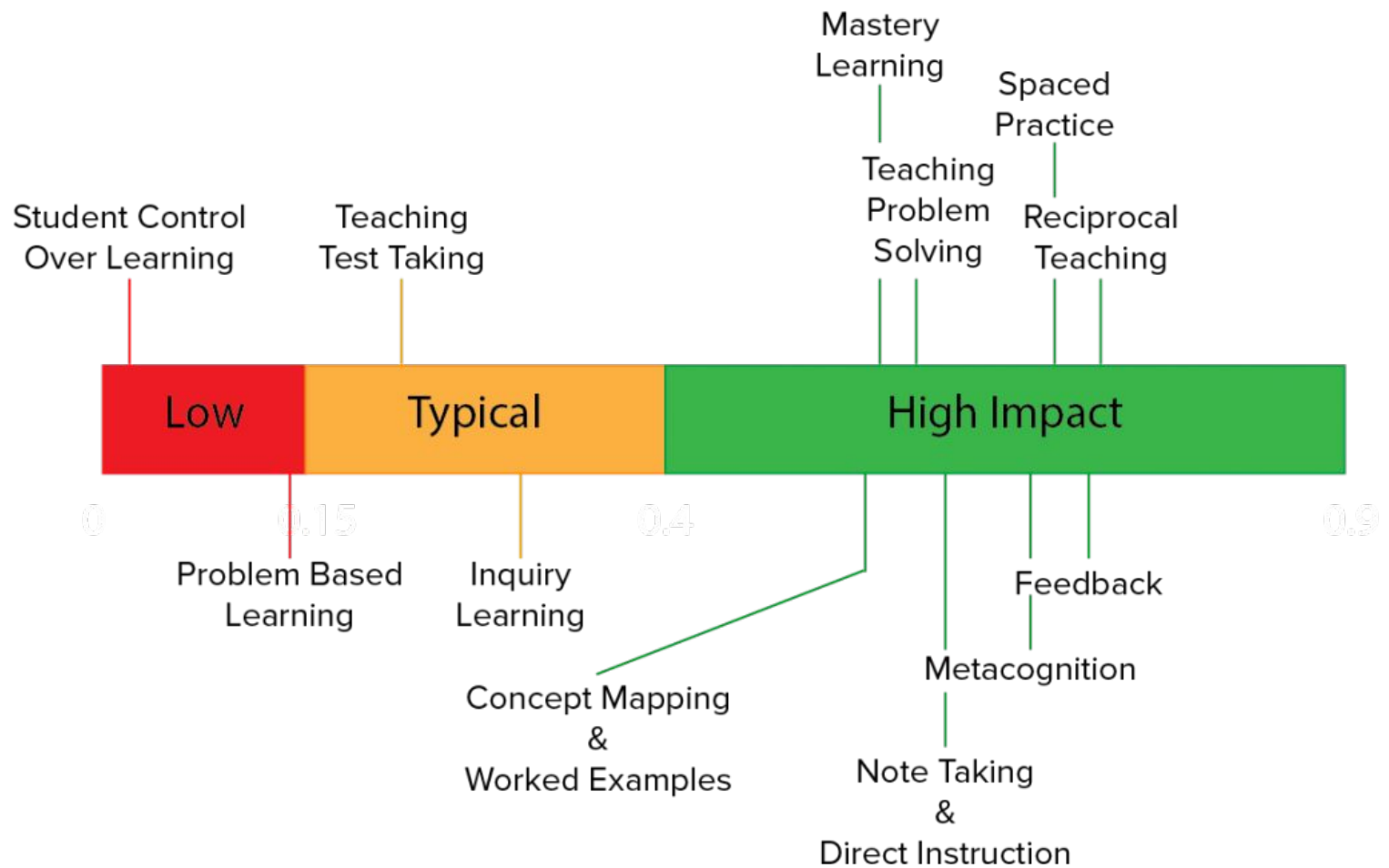
# Activity 0

Concept maps and info3315  
assessment

Why do concept mapping?

<http://www.evidencebasedteaching.org.au/hattie-his-high-impact-strategies/>

[John Hattie](#) synthesized over 500,000+ studies related to student achievement in his book [Visible Learning](#). In this book he showed ...



#	Name	Group	Weight	Due Week	Outcomes
1	Quizzes in the tutorial/lecture class	No	0.00	Multiple Weeks (Wednesday, 5 pm)	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8,
2	Mini-assignments	No	20.00	Multiple Weeks (Wednesday, 5 pm)	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7,
3	Assignment 1 report and demo	Yes	15.00	Week 8 (Wednesday, 10 pm)	1, 2, 3, 8,
4	Assignment 2 - presentation + demo	Yes	10.00	Week 12 (Wednesday, 5 pm)	1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8,
5	Final Exam	No	55.00	Exam Period	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7,

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# Grading mini-assignments

All mini-assignments as specified in the handout are ***due before the tute/lecture*** – and the ***full mini-assignment also includes the activities in the lab.***

Mark /3

- 3 strong performance on all aspects:
  - participation in the lab activities based on the work done before class PLUS
  - every aspect of the mini-assignment has been done well enough to provide a very good foundation for the class activities, with at most minor flaws or omissions
- 2 active participation and serious attempt but some serious flaws or omissions
- 1 attempt at parts with some merit
- 0 just a little

Weekly mark is sum over weeks 2 .. 13, with a cap of 30 (to account for late start, minor colds etc people suffer through the semester)

# Activity 1

Affordances task from  
mini-assignment

# Learning objectives

## Vocabulary:

- simple core definition of affordance
- some common types of affordance:
  - hidden, false, perceived and actual affordances
- different people understand variants of these

## About learning, understanding and concept maps

- different people interpret people gain the same text
- A concept map can help make that visible

## Goals and Tasks

- Goal (abstract task)
- a concrete task
- properties of good concrete tasks

# Activity 1 – affordances homework

1. Sit in groups ~3, with ~at least 1 person with odd and one with even SID
2. Now share and compare:
  - different definitions of affordances
  - your understanding of the same reading
3. Write down things that all agree on, things that are different, whether this matters (a form of peer review, co-construction collaboration)
4. Create a consensus group concept map (paper is fine, CMapTools – make sure all can see)

# Activity 2: introduction to Assignment 1

## **The challenge:**

**The problem:** Exercise is critical for good health. But many people sit too much and move too little. Worse yet, many people do not even know that they are not getting enough exercise.

## The interface you will create to help address the problem:

Since many people have smartphones with accelerometers, these could provide a form of “big personal data” to help people achieve healthy levels of activity (and inactivity).

Your interface will aim to harness this data because it will enable people to *reflect* on their levels of long term activity (and inactivity), *plan* ways to maintain or improve this and *monitor* progress on their plans.

## **Your mission – core work for every group:**

Every group's interface must support the following user goals:

*The user can determine how physically active they have been in the last month.*

*The user can determine if they met recommended physical activity levels in the last month.*

For User Goal #1, your interface must enable a user to do the following concrete task for one set of supplied data from a mobile phone:

*Assume you are the person whose mobile phone data presented in this interface. Please tell me how many steps you averaged over the last 4 weeks.*



Two supplied data  
from  
QS access  
from iphone

Start	Finish	Steps (count)
29/11/14 00:00	30/11/14 00:00	21427
30/11/14 00:00	1/12/14 00:00	4321
1/12/14 00:00	2/12/14 00:00	10473
2/12/14 00:00	3/12/14 00:00	15784
3/12/14 00:00	4/12/14 00:00	2783
4/12/14 00:00	5/12/14 00:00	18196
5/12/14 00:00	6/12/14 00:00	6529
6/12/14 00:00	7/12/14 00:00	2944
7/12/14 00:00	8/12/14 00:00	6515
8/12/14 00:00	9/12/14 00:00	9598
9/12/14 00:00	10/12/14 00:00	21448
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11/12/14 00:00	12/12/14 00:00	6252
12/12/14 00:00	13/12/14 00:00	7087
13/12/14 00:00	14/12/14 00:00	15242
14/12/14 00:00	15/12/14 00:00	14396
15/12/14 00:00	16/12/14 00:00	4151
16/12/14 00:00	17/12/14 00:00	12621
17/12/14 00:00	18/12/14 00:00	9846
18/12/14 00:00	19/12/14 00:00	7315
19/12/14 00:00	20/12/14 00:00	12247
20/12/14 00:00	21/12/14 00:00	6835
21/12/14 00:00	22/12/14 00:00	5374
22/12/14 00:00	23/12/14 00:00	5892
23/12/14 00:00	24/12/14 00:00	9640
24/12/14 00:00	25/12/14 00:00	10806
25/12/14 00:00	26/12/14 00:00	6696
26/12/14 00:00	27/12/14 00:00	9960

32149 96449 1041620 Assignment 1 - User\_1\_Step-Data.csv  
1348 4046 46232 Assignment 1 - User\_2\_Step-Data.csv

Start	Finish	Steps (count)
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7/12/14 10:00	7/12/14 11:00	408
7/12/14 11:00	7/12/14 12:00	157
7/12/14 12:00	7/12/14 13:00	1017
7/12/14 13:00	7/12/14 14:00	0
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8/12/14 15:00	8/12/14 16:00	671
8/12/14 16:00	8/12/14 17:00	481
8/12/14 17:00	8/12/14 18:00	404

# Class activity

- Nominate a scribe for a ~3 person group with a person who has a laptop
- Download Assignment 1 from Canvas
- Now get the sample data for
  - User 1 **short**
  - User 2
- See what you can make of the data
- **Remember to write down** what the group does and decides so we can see that without disturbing you and hand it in

# About phone data

Many ways to access phone data eg

- IOS: Download the “QS access” app for your iphone – you will need to scroll through the “columns” to steps
- Go to <https://www.maketecheasier.com/export-google-fit-data/> and follow the instructions for Android
- Other phones....

# Activity 3: introduction to Assignment 1

Brainstorm how you might harness a phone's data about physical activity to help a user achieve the first of the core goals: to  
determine how physically active they have been in the last week

Note – in the lab you will consider the second goal

- if they have met *recommended levels* of physical activity

# Some very important terms

**Goal** – something a person wants to do

- eg. *determine how physically active a “person” has been in the last week*
- Abstract person ... could have been inactive ... really active and a mix etc

**Abstract task** – we use this as a synonym for goal

**Goal/task hierarchy**

- Subtasks and their subtasks e.g. *how many steps walked; how active; how inactive ....*

**Concrete task**

- Something you can ask a person to do (and they will understand, if it is well expressed)
- For a particular data set (eg mine on ed), how many steps did I walk each day of the last week?

## **Analysis report:**

- Detailed notes from research study of people's current use of smartphone physical activity data and how they believe it could be useful to them.
- Study of the literature, tools and resources about using physical activity data.
- Summary and conclusions.

# Recall task from Week 1 tute/lecture

It introduced a task



## EAT FOR HEALTH CALCULATORS

### IN THIS SECTION

Calculate your daily energy needs

Calculate your daily nutrient requirements

Average recommended number of serves calculator

Food Balance

The Eat for Health Program provides up-to-date advice about the amounts and kinds of foods that we need to eat for health and wellbeing. The recommendations are based on the latest scientific evidence, developed after looking at all the good quality research.

These calculators can estimate your energy (kilojoule) needs, nutrient requirements and the number of serves from the Five Food Groups you need daily.



#### CALCULATE YOUR DAILY ENERGY NEEDS

The Energy Requirements Calculator estimates your daily energy requirements for good health based on what your body needs for breathing, circulating blood, digesting food and physical activity.

#### CALCULATE YOUR DAILY NUTRIENT REQUIREMENTS

The Nutrients Calculator helps estimate how much of each nutrient is needed per day by healthy individuals to maintain their health and wellbeing.

#### AVERAGE RECOMMENDED NUMBER OF SERVES CALCULATOR

By eating the recommended amounts from the Five Food Groups, you will get enough of the nutrients essential for health and wellbeing, including a reduced risk of chronic diseases such as heart disease, type 2 diabetes, obesity and some cancers. The Average Recommended Number of Serves Calculator will guide you with this.

#### FOOD BALANCE

A game designed to help children aged between 4 and 13 years to learn about healthy eating.

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**Are these task  
abstract or  
concrete?**

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# Properties of **good** concrete tasks

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You can **judge success**: There should be a clear start and clear end at which point you can assess whether the user was able to do the task successfully, needed help, or could not do it. There should be a known correct outcome.

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Next steps

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2. Ask them what they would like to be able to do
3. Find out what others have already done to discover #1 and #2

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# Assignment 1 overview

Analyse

Study people, read literature >> persona

Design

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Implement

Evaluate

Think-alouds, reflection on results

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