

What is interaction?

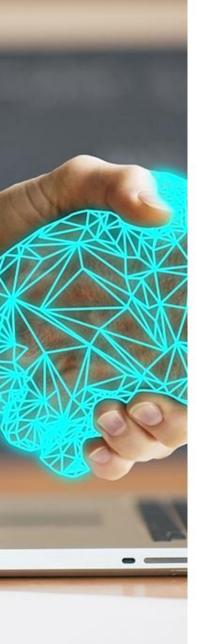
communication

user



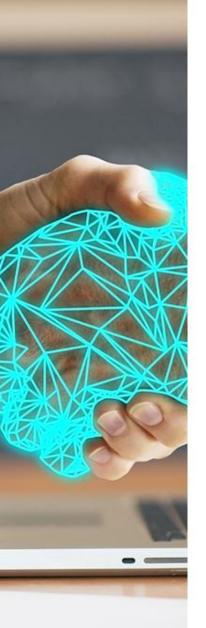
system

but is that all ... ?
see "language and action" in chapter



The Interaction

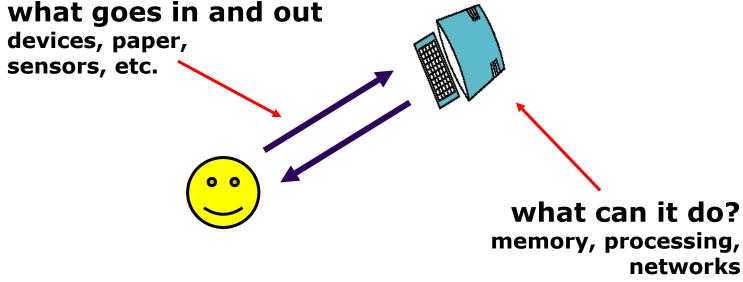
- interaction models
 - —translations between user and system
- ergonomics
 - —physical characteristics of interactiOn
- interaction styles
 - —the nature of user/system dialog
- context social, organizational, motivational



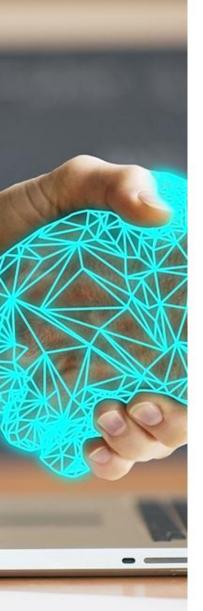
Interacting with computers

to understand human-computer interaction

... need to understand computers!



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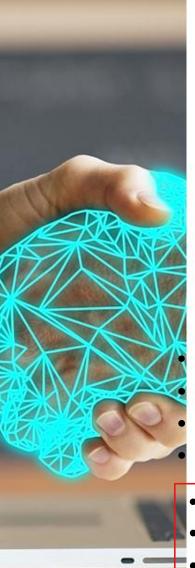


Donald Norman's model

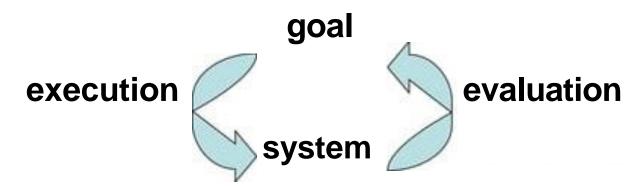
- Seven stages
 - —user establishes the goal
 - —formulates intention
 - —specifies actions at interface
 - —executes action
 - —perceives system state
 - —interprets system state
 - —evaluates system sFate with respect to goal
- Norman's model concentrates on user's view of the interface



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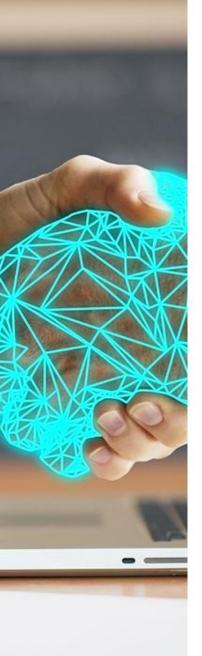


execution/evaluation loop



user establish the goal formulates intention specifies actions at interface executes action

- perceives system state
- interprets system state
- evaluates system state with respect to goal



Using Norman's model

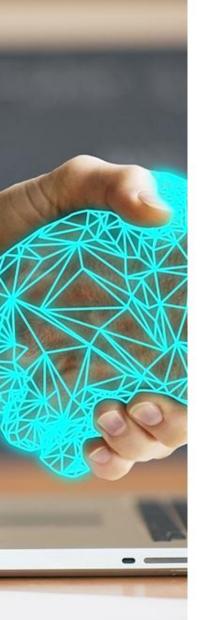
Some systems are harder to use than others

Gulf of Execution

user's formulation of actions

actions allowed by the system

Gulf of Evaluation
user's expectation of changed system state
actual presentation of this state



Human error - slips and mistakes

slip

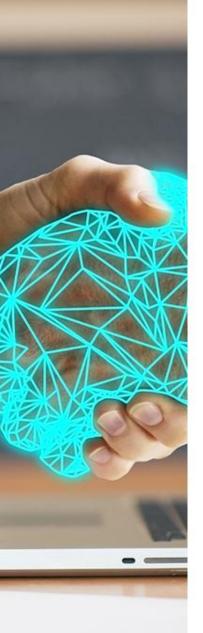
- understand system and goal
- correct formulation of action
 - Incorrect action

mistake

may not even have right goal!

Fixing things?

- slip better interface design
- mistake better understanding of system



Abowd and Beale framework

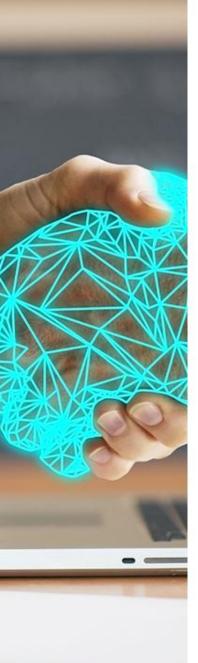
extension of Norman's model Abowd & Beale interaction framework has 4 parts

- user
- system
- Output
- input

each has its own unique language

Interaction → translation between languages

problems in interaction = problems in translation



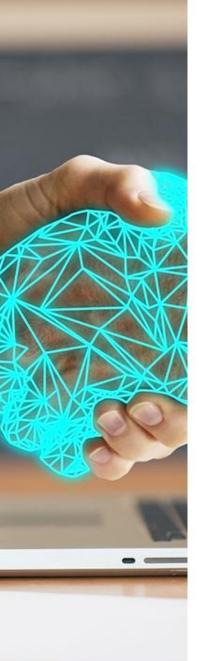
Using Abowd & Beale's model

user intentions
translated into actions at the interface

translated into alterations of system state
reflected in the output display
interpreted by the user

general framework for understanding interaction

- —not restricted to electronic computer systems
- —identifies all major components involved in interaction
- allows comparative assessment of systems
- an abstraction



Interaction Framework

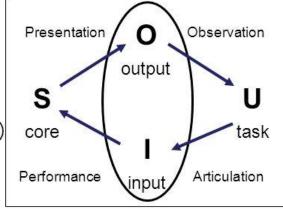
Abowd and Beale expanded on the EEC to include the system

system

 System (S)—Uses its core language (computational attributes related to system state)

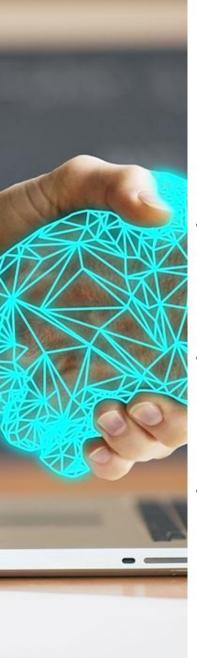
 User (U)—Uses its task language (psychological attributes related to user state)

- Input (I)—Uses its input language
- Output (O)—Uses its output language



- each has its own unique language interaction ⇒ translation between languages
- problems in interaction = problems in translation

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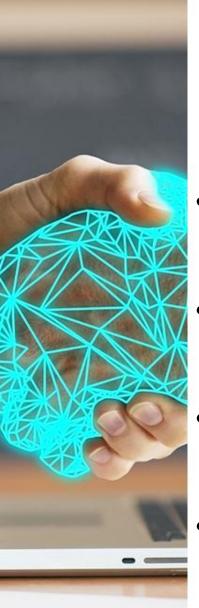


Ergonomics

Study of the physical characteristics of interaction

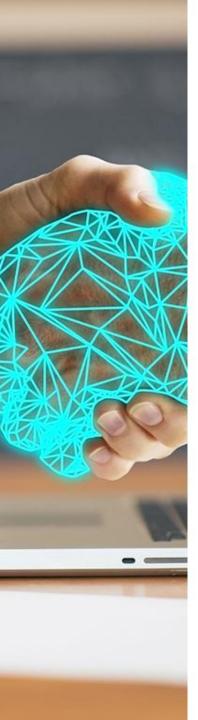
 Also known as human factors —but this can also be used to mean much of HCI!

 Ergonomics good at defining standards and guidelines for constraining the way we design certain aspects of systems



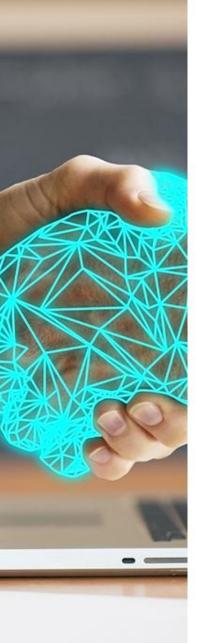
Ergonomics - examples

- arrangement of controls and displays
 - e.g. controls grouped according to function or frequency of use, or sequentially
- surrounding environment
 - e.g. seating arrangements adaptable to cope with all sizes of user
- health issues
 - e.g. physical position, environmental conditiDns (temperature, humidité), lighting, noise,
- use of colour
 - e.g. use of red for warning, green for okay, awareness of colour-blindness etc.



Ergonomics example

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Eelv7law 6c



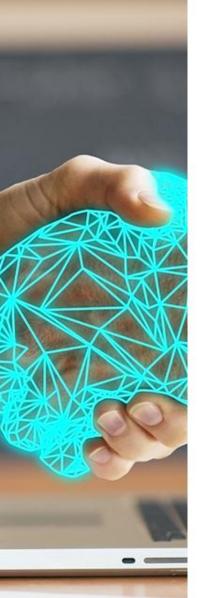
Industrial interfaces

Office interface vs. industrial interface?

Context matters!

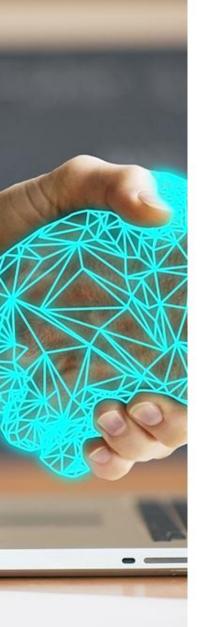
type of data	office textual	industrial numeric
rate of change	slow	fast
environment	clean	dirty

the oil soaked mouse!



Menus

- Set of options displayed on the screen
- Options visible
 - —less recall easier to use
 - —rely on recognition so names should be meaningful
- Selection by:
 - —numbers, letters, arrow keys, mouse
 - —combination (e.g. mouse plus acce1eratDrs)
- Often options hierarchically grouped
 - -sensible grouping is needed
- Restricted form of full WIMP system



Natural language

Familiar to user

 speech recognition or typed natural language

Problems

- -vague
- —hard to do well!

Solutions

- To understand a subset
- —pick on keywords