CMSI 370-01
INTERACTION DESIGN
Fall 2015

Assignment 0924 Feedback

Because we have not yet fully explored the scopes of outcomes *1b* and *2b*, these proficiencies have a maximum value (for this assignment) of **|**. For outcomes that get **+**'s (or **|**'s for *1b* and *2b*), there isn't much more to say except "keep doing it that way." **:)** Feedback for other proficiencies focus on specific points of improvement in order to advance. The answer to "how do I improve my proficiencies" is always "do what I write down in the feedback."

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Notes while reading:

- That's an impressive history! And well-sourced too. However, do precede your citations with a space.

- The process is clearly expressed, with a good distinction made between learnability and efficiency.

- The way you present the data is pretty effective. The commentary is straightforward and thank you for addressing the outlier. Typo on page 4 though: "histoey" should be "history."

- The outlier on efficiency, task 1, might have also impacted the conclusion. Missing period on page 7.

- In Section 4.1, "seperate" should be "separate."

- The heuristic analysis works out nicely, with screenshots to support your arguments. Plus, invocation of the OS X Human Interface Guidelines is appropriate and expected.

- Great that you have a references section; however you should transition to BibTeX. BibTeX will give you much more consistent formatting than you got with `\bibitem`.

Overall commentary: This is a well-executed, well-documented report. The study design and process was very clear, and you did the right thing with distinguishing learnability from efficiency. The actual measurements are presented very cleanly and effectively. Your writing voice is also appropriately formal, and the report structure itself aligns well with formal scholarship of this type. Finally, the heuristic evaluation rightly uses the OS X Human Interface Guidelines as a basis, with supporting screenshots. Well done!

1a — **+** …Mental model walkthrough makes sense and helps explain some of the results.

1b — **|** …Decent use of course concepts, specifically the guidelines on icons and menus.

2a — **+** …The report is overall well done. The desired information was there, and it was presented well.

2b — **|** …Reasoning through the guidelines was decent, with supporting illustrations. I will admit that this is a "weak" **|** though—you did fulfill the requirements, but I think you could have gone deeper or looked at more design elements. This is particularly striking because what you did write is pretty decent, and I was left thinking "What, it's over already?" when I reached the end.

4d — **+** …Overall good use of resources and course information.

4e — Nice that you figured out LaTeX. But, just two commits, 30-ish minutes apart? No. (**/**)

4f — Submitted on time. (**+**)