Interaction / Experience / Interface / Designer / HCI Researcher

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## **SUMMARY**

I am passionate about designing pleasant experiences for users through not just effective but memorable, enjoyable and desirable user-centered designs. Seeking for a PhD opportunity with a research interest in the field of improving the wellbeing of ageing population.

## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

**Ducere Technologies Pvt Ltd** as Interaction Designer NOV 2015 - NOW / Hyderabad, INDIA

- Part of the R&D team working on the new product ideas.
- Engaged closely with the stakeholders, performed requirement analysis, designed hardware software interaction, developed lo-hi fidelity prototypes by following user centred design process.
- Contributing in the design/development/testing of LeChal (main product) smartphone apps and product website.

**HIT Lab** as Interaction Designer and Researcher DEC 2014 - JULY 2015 / Christchurch, NZ

- Masters Thesis on "Wearable tools for affective remote collaboration".
- Designed, prototyped and evaluated smartphone applications for the University, Tourist application for the Christchurch city and an emotion sharing application.
- Worked on projects Biomass, CSense, CoSense, gloveControl and Warehouse Navigator.

Experience also includes 1.5 year of working as a Design Engineer for Ducere Technologies Pvt. Ltd. and Farasbee where I designed hardware interactions, developed prototypes and tested with the users. Also worked for 1 year as an Independent Consultant for companies that involve providing assistance in developing electronic projects and company website, during undergraduate studies.

### **EDUCATION**

# HITLab, University of Canterbury

2014-2015 / Christchurch, New Zealand Masters of Human Interface Technology (MHIT).

# Rajasthan Technical University

2007-2011 / Kota, India Bachelor of Technology in Electronics and Communication Engg.

## **SKILLS**

### **HCI Research**

Requirement Analysis, Focus Groups, User interviews, Surveys, Persona, Scenario, Usability Testing, Evaluation.

## Design

Sketching, Storyboarding, Illustrations, IA, Wire-Framing, UI design, Rapid Interactive Prototyping.

# **Prototyping Tools**

PopApp, Proto.io,
UXPin, InVision,
App Inventor, Arduino,
Openframework, Keynote,
Balsamiq, Sketch 3
Makerbot 3D printing, Processing.

## **Multimedia Tools**

Photoshop, Illustrator, Final Cut Pro, Lightroom, Apple Motion 5

# **Programming**

C / C++, Python, NodeJS, HTML, Javascript, CSS.

## **PUBLICATIONS & PATENTS**

## **Books, Thesis and Patents**

"Is It in Your Eyes? Explorations in Using Gaze Cues for Remote Collaboration"

Collaboration Meets Interactive Spaces- Springer International Publishing

"Wearable Tools for Affective Remote Collaboration" University of Canterbury. Human Interface Technology Lab, NZ

"System and method for haptic based interaction" : US-Patent

Filed by Ducere Technologies. Pvt. Ltd.

## **Papers**

"Do You See What I See? The Effect of Gaze Tracking on Task Space Remote Collaboration" IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics

# "CoSense: Creating Shared Emotional Experiences"

Proceedings of the 33rd Annual ACM Conference Extended Abstracts on Human Factors in Computing Systems