Interaction / User Experience / Interface / Designer / HCl Researcher

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#### **SUMMARY**

I am passionate about providing pleasant experiences to users through not just effective but memorable, enjoyable and desirable user-centered designs. Seeking a full-time position to work in the field of interaction design or user experience research.

### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

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

- Part of the R&D team working on ideas for innovative products.
- Engaged closely with the stakeholders, performed requirement analysis, designed hardware - software interaction, developed initial prototypes to a proof of concept stage.
- Contributing in the design/development/testing of LeChal (main product) smartphone apps.

# **Human Interface Technology Lab** as Graduate 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 CSense, CoSense, gloveControl and Warehouse Navigator.

# **Ducere Technologies Pvt Ltd** as Design Engineer JUN 2012 - JUN 2013 / Hyderabad, INDIA

- Joined as employee 1, lead the team of engineers and designers working in the company.
- Conducted user testing for LeChal, a haptic shoe for the visually impaired, interviewed users and modified designed based on that in order to bring user-driven innovation to the shoes.
- Later, lead a team responsible to explore more interactive applications of the existing product.

# Farasbee as Design Engineer JAN - JUN 2012 / Mumbai, INDIA

 Designed hardware interaction, developed prototypes, interfacing of Diabeto with existing Glucometers.
 Developed the product and interfaced it with an android application.

Experience also includes 1 year of working 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, Makerbot 3D printing, Processing.

#### Multimedia Tools

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

#### **Programming**

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

#### Java

### **PUBLICATIONS & PATENTS**

## "CoSense: Creating Shared Emotional Experiences"

Work-in-Progress CHI'15 Extended Abstracts: 33rd Annual ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems Proceedings

"System and method for haptic based interaction" : US-Patent ( http://tinyurl.com/olv5vew )