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RESEARCH INTERESTS

My research interests lie in HCI, information visualization, perceptual processing, and human-centered technology.

EDUCATION

University of British Columbia

Vancouver, Canada

2015 - 2020

B.A. in Cognitive Systems: Cognition and the Brain

B.Sc. in Computer Science and Statistics

RESEARCH/WORK EXPERIENCE

Visual Cognition Lab, University of British Columbia

Vancouver, Canada 2016-09 – Present

Project Leader and Research Assistant under the supervision of Prof. Ronald A. Rensink. Led the Correlation project for five research terms examining the human perception of correlation in data visualizations (e.g., strip plots) with applied research methods from psychophysics. Mentored undergraduate students, facilitated weekly project meetings, research workshops and talks.

Sensory Perception and Interaction Research Group, University of British Columbia

Vancouver, Canada 2018-01 – Present

Research Assistant under the supervision of Prof. Karon E. MacLean and Dr. Hasti Seifi. In a collaboration between SPIN and MPI-IS faculty and researchers, my senior thesis involved designing Tableau visualizations for the initial prototype of the haptic device web tool *Haptipedia* and conducting ten semi-structured interviews with novice and expert hapticians to understand the workflow of haptic device creator and application design. This work resulted in a CHI publication. In Jan 2019, I was awarded an NSERC USRA to co-lead a crowdsourcing study on Haptipedia.

Laboratory for Computational Intelligence, University of British Columbia

Vancouver, Canada 2017-09 – 2018-04

Research Assistant under the supervision of Prof. Giuseppe Carenini and Emily Hindalong. Designed a usability test for the ValueCharts web application and integrated instructions into the web application to guide a user through the workflow.

Emerging Media Lab, University of British Columbia

Vancouver, Canada 2017-11 – 2018-04

Academic Assistant under Saeed Dyanatkar.

Created and facilitated Virtual Reality and Brain-Computer Interface demos and workshops (Virtual Reality Night – VR and BCI, Development for Google Cardboard Workshop, and Development for WebVR Workshop).

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

[1] Seifi, H., Fazlollahi, F., Oppermann, M., Sastrillo, J. A., Ip, J., Agrawal, A., Park, G., Kuchenbecker, K. J., MacLean, K. E. Haptipedia: Accelerating Haptic Device Discovery to Support Interaction & Engineering Design. In Proceedings of the ACM SIGCHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI), Glasgow, Scotland, May 2019.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of British Columbia

Vancouver, Canada 2018-09 – 2018-12

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant – COGS 303: Research in Cognitive Systems Graded all written work, including final critique papers for 39 undergraduate students.

Hosted weekly office hours and exam review sessions.

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[1] Seifi, H., Ip, J., Agrawal, A., Kuchenbecker, K.J., MacLean, K.E. 2019. Toward Expert-sourcing of a Haptic Device Repository. In Proceedings of ACM Conference (CHI'19). ACM, Glasgow, Scotland, England, 4 pages.

PRESENTATIONS AND POSTERS

[2] Ip, J., Pertels, Y., Chai, W., Thongprasert, S. Image Transitions: Visual Search in the Dynamic World. Presented at the Psychology Undergraduate Research Conference, April 2017.

[1] "Image Transitions: Visual Search in the Dynamic World." Multidisciplinary Undergraduate Research Conference. Vancouver, Canada, March 28, 2017.

AWARDS

Undergraduate Student Research Award, NSERC

2019