

Malay Dhamelia

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PERSONAL DETAILS

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EDUCATION

PhD Ludology 2019-
IDC School of Design, IIT Bombay, India
Focus on game design, ludic interactions, and developing theory of fun

M.Des Interaction Design 2016-2018
IDC School of Design, IIT Bombay, India
Focused on research methods, tangible interactions, art installations, and behaviour design

B.Tech Electrical Engineering 2010-2014
Sardar Vallabhbhai National Institute of Technology, India
Focused on embedded electronics and power electronics

WORK EXPERIENCE

Design Researcher 2018-2019
Behavioral and Business Sciences (BBS), Tata Research, Pune
As a part of Service and systems design team under BBS research area, my core responsibilities were two fold: 1) as a researcher to plan studies, review literature, and generate design insights. 2) Design, architect, and develop computer aided tools for conducting design research in qualitative and quantitative approaches

Teaching Assistant 2016-2018
Prof. Ravi Poovaiah, IDC School of Design
As a part of core team, developed two interactive installations exhibited at the National Gallery of Modern Art (NGMA), Mumbai

IBM-Extreme Blue Intern May'17-July'17
Mr. Gautam Bhat, GTS Labs-IBM
I researched the UX part of cognitive migration advisor project, designed and developed interface for ML based advisor, designed the algorithm, and published research

Interaction design intern Oct.'15-April'16
Allen Shaw, "If, the art cafe"
I was responsible for installations for corporate clients, website design, and creative programmer

Prototyper Dec.'14-Feb.'15
Jayso Labs, Freelancer

- Conducted workshops on electronics and prototyping with Intel Education
- Prototyped Air-Quality monitoring systems for Oizom-environmental monitoring

KEY PROJECTS

Interventions to raise awareness about noise pollution

Design Project, Prof. Girish Dalvi, IDC School of Design

The project attempts to encourage pro-environmental and pro-social behaviour towards sound generation activity. The designed artefacts take behavioral and critical approach to tackle the issue of noise pollution caused by open celebrations.

Cultural Domain Analysis for Soundscape Assessment

Research Project, Prof. Girish Dalvi, IDC School of Design

The research involves a novel methodology to assess soundscapes without likert scale and generate richer insights. Explored qualitative research and analysis methods.

Installation design and development for NGMA

Scholarship responsibility, Prof. Ravi Poovaiah, IDC School of Design

The project involved display of interactive installations for educating children about science, technology, culture, and nature. Worked with a team of design professionals to design and develop the installations. Collectively overcame structural and technical challenges.

Design interventions for changing hand washing behaviour

Design Project, Prof. Girish Dalvi, IDC School of Design

The project attempts to improve the importance of hand hygiene among residents of lower sub-urban and rural regions. Interventions were designed through a theory driven and rationalist approach based on behavioural theories. Explored various methods of evaluation.

Design/Development of an ML based migration assistant

Intern Project, GTS Lab-IBM

This project aimed at facilitating migration of server loads from/to legacy systems and cloud architecture. This complex process was simplified by an assistant that suggests optimal strategy for migration. The design solution included an application, and an algorithm. It was design and developed along with two interns. Used angularJS to deploy an iOS application.

Prototyping of Air quality Data Collection Unit

Jayso Labs for Oizom

To monitor indoor and outdoor air quality, a prototype with six different air quality sensors was developed. Challenges including automatic calibration, and research about optimal sensor choices were successfully overcome.

BCI for control of domestic appliances

Self Initiated

Interfacing home automation with Brain Computer Interface was not only fascinating for me, but also useful to understand human computer interaction. The project was developed with Mohit Vora of VVP Engineering college, Rajkot. The idea received fair amount of acceptance as a technology. Developed programming skills to achieve the fascination.

SKILLS

Research Skills

Literature survey,

	Qualitative data collection methods Qualitative data analysis methods Quantitative data analysis, Experiment Design Writing research papers
<i>Design Skills</i>	Concept generation and evaluation, Prototyping, Information Architecture, Usability Testing
<i>Softwares and Flash,</i>	Microsoft Excel, R, SPSS, Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop, InDesign, L ^A T _E X, 123D Make, Sketchup, Inkscape, Blender, Unity3D,
<i>Scripting language awareness</i>	C#, Javascript
<i>Framework awareness</i>	Processing, Arduino, AngularJS, R, WPF, Unity, Emotiv (now, Xavier) SDK, Kinect SDK
<i>Fabrication Tools awareness</i>	Laser cutting, 3D printing, Vinyl Etching, Circuit Milling
<i>Languages</i>	Gujarati (mother tongue) English (fluent) Hindi (fluent) Persian (beginner — reading)

PUBLICATIONS AND CONFERENCE PARTICIPATIONS

ICoRD

2019, Bangalore

Full paper presentation

Presented "Cultural Domain Analysis for Soundscape Assessment: A Qualitative Approach to Soundscape Assessment"

SeGAH

2018, Vienna

Full paper presentation

Presented "NudgeEntrance: Domestic Intervention to Change Hand Washing Behaviour"

Interact

2017, Mumbai

Student Volunteer-Field trip co-ordinator

Participated in planning and recruited users for following field trips

1. Understanding The Informal Support Networks Of Older Adults in India
2. Modelling Less-literate User's Choices of Smartphone Authentication Modes
3. Understanding Early Technology Adoption by the Emergent Older Adults in Dharavi

CCEM

2017, Bangalore

Poster presentation

Presented a poster "Deconvolving Migration Methodology via detailed assessment and Cognitive Learning"

IndiaHCI

Student Volunteer

2016, Mumbai

NASSCOM India Leadership Forum

Intel Education presenter

Presented the mentored childrens' project from 'Intel Ideathon' in the Tech Lounge

2015, Mumbai

Hill Hacks

Assisted in the documentation of Ecological Vernacular Architecture of Didi Contractor

2015, Dharamsala

MIT Medialab Design Innovation Workshop

Selected for 'Synchronous tools' track. Conceptualised, designed and developed a prototype of 'Pee-race'- Multi-user interactive urinal for public spaces.

2015, Gandhinagar

MakerFest

Panelist

Presented a talk on BCI technology - current scenario, application, and scopes

2014, Ahmedabad

ICMRP

Full Paper Presentation

Presented "Load and Audio Visual Control using Brain Computer Interfaces"

2014, Ahmedabad

AREAS OF INTEREST

Games Design, Play design, Ludic Interactions, Experiment design, Behaviour design, Installations, Media Arts, Interaction Techniques, Art technologies