Gabe Johnson

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Education

Ph.D., Carnegie Mellon University (Ongoing, Expected Graduation: 2010) Computational Design

B.S., University of Colorado, Boulder (2002) Computer Science

Research Interests

Design; Human-Computer Interaction (HCI); Software Engineering; Open Source Software (OSS); Sketch-Recognition User Interfaces (SkRUIs); Computer Supported Cooperative Work (CSCW); Information Visualization; Machine Learning

Research Projects

Design Tools for SDR Networks: Building tools to support designers of software-defined radio and Cognitive Radio. Part of Ravenshield project at Stevens Technical Institute. (Current work)

Olive: Calligraphic interaction techniques for sketch-based design environments: Thesis work on techniques for interacting with sketch recognition-based design environments. (Current work)

Sketching games: Internet-based games for collecting information on how people make and describe hand-made sketches using 'human computation' techniques. (December 2008 to September 2009)

FlatCAD: Design system for algorithmic generation of form with domain-specific programming language FlatLang for output of physical models using rapid prototyping machinery. (September 2006 to May 2008)

Flow Selection: Time-based, modeless interaction technique for pen-based selection and operation. (October 2005 to May 2006)

Designosaur: Sketch-based interface for designing creatures for output to rapid prototyping device such as a laser cutter or 3D printer. (August 2005 to 2006)

Professional Experience

Research Programmer

September 2009 to present

Stevens Technical Institute

Hoboken, NJ

Studied technical and social aspects of software-defined radio (SDR) and Cognitive Radio in order to build tools supporting designers of SDR networks.

Software Engineering Intern

Summer 2008

Google

Boulder, CO

Developed search feature in Google 3D Warehouse to make it easier for designers to find appropriate models for their work. Also built support for this in Google SketchUp 7.

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Graduate Research Assistant

2005-2008

Carnegie Mellon University, Computational

Pittsburgh, PA

Design Lab (codelab)

Worked on projects related to computationally enhanced construction kits and crafts, including the Designosaur and FlatCAD/FlatLang.

Research Internship

Summer 2006

Ricoh Innovations, Inc.

Menlo Park, CA

Applied Flow Selection and sketch interaction to an experimental electronic document pad.

Software Engineer

2002-2005

ReadyTalk

Denver, CO

Developed commercial web and audio conferencing system primarily using Java.

Undergraduate Research Assistant

1998-2002

University of Colorado

Boulder, CO

Center for LifeLong Learning and Design, Computer Science Department. Assisted graduate students and faculty on various HCI projects.

Software Engineering Intern

Summer 2001

humanIT AG

Sankt Augustin, Germany

Ported commercial information visualization system (InfoZoom) to mobile devices.

Research Engineer

Summer 2000

University of Colorado

Boulder, CO

Department of Applied Mathematics. Led development of the Mathematical Discussion System, a system for embedding conversations about math in online mathematics texts.

Guest Teacher

Fall 2001-Spring 2002

New Vista High School

Boulder, CO

Taught high school students how to program in various languages (Java, Python, HTML).

Publications

Johnson, G. and E. Y.-L. Do. (2009) *Games for sketch data collection*. In C. Grimm and J. J. L. Jr., editors, EUROGRAPHICS Symposium on Sketch-Based Interfaces and Modeling (SBIM 2009), 2009.

Johnson, G., M.D. Gross, J.I. Hong, E. Y-L. Do. (2009) Computational Support For Sketching in Design: A Review. Foundations and Trends in Human-Computer Interaction. (2)1, p1–93.

Johnson, G. Picturephone: A game for sketch data capture. In IUI '09 Workshop on Sketch Recognition, 2009.

Johnson, G. (2008) FlatCAD and FlatLang: Kits by Code IEEE Symposium on Visual Languages and Human-Centric Computing. Herrsching am Ammersee, Germany.

Johnson, G. (2008) Sketching for the Refinement Stage of Design IEEE Symposium on Visual Languages and Human-Centric Computing, Workshop on Sketch Tools for Diagramming. Herrsching am Ammersee, Germany.

Johnson, G. (2007). A Tiny Ethnography of a Professional Design Studio. CHI 2007 Workshop on Supporting Design Studio Culture in HCI. San Jose, CA.

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Johnson, G. (2006). *Modeless Sketch Interaction Using Flow Select*. CHI 2006 Workshop on Sketching. Montreal, Quebec.

Johnson, G., M.D. Gross, E. Y-L. Do. (2006). Flow Selection: A Time-Based Selection and Operation Technique for Sketching Tools. In proc. 8th International Working Conference on Advanced Visual Interfaces (p83-6), ACM Press, Venice, Italy.

Oh, Y., G. Johnson, M.D. Gross, E. Y-L. Do. (2006). *The Designosaur and the Furniture Factory: Simple Software for Fast Fabrication*. Second International Conference on Design Computing and Cognition, Springer, Eindhoven, The Netherlands.

Johnson, G. (2002). *The Mathematical Discussion System*. 2002 Conference on Computer Supported Collaborative Learning, Lawrence Erlbaum, Boulder, CO.

Professional Service

Reviewer, ACM Conference on Creativity & Cognition (2009)

Reviewer, ACM Symposium on User Interface Software and Technology (2008, 2009)

Reviewer, Artificial Intelligence for Engineering Design, Analysis and Manufacturing. Special issue on Tangible Interaction for Design. (2008)

Assistant organizer, Design Research Summer School, Carnegie Mellon University, Summer 2007.

Reviewer, International Conference on Multimodal Interfaces (ICMI'06)

Reviewer, Conference on Designing for User Experience (DUX 2005)

Reviewer, ACM Conference on Computer Human Interaction, Late-Breaking Papers (CHI 2004)

Student Volunteer Conference Co-chair, Computer Supported Collaborative Learning (CSCL 2002)

Student Volunteer: CHI 2000, CHI 2001, GROUP 2001

Technical Skills

Java, ANTLR, HTML, XML, JSP, SQL, Python, Ruby, Lisp, bash scripting, C/C++, Perl, Linux/Unix, OS X, Emacs, Eclipse, ant, cvs/svn, programming language design

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