

## Consent form

<b>Project Title</b>	Graphical User Interface Performance
<b>Purpose of the Study</b>	<p>You are invited to participate in this research project, which aims to understand the performance of different designs within graphical user interfaces.</p> <p>This research is being conducted by Benjamin Bederson, Catherine Plaisant, Ben Shneiderman and their students at the University of Maryland, College Park.</p>
<b>Procedures</b>	<p>You will be asked to perform common computer tasks (such as performing simple commands, navigating within a document, or looking for information). During the session, audio/video taping may take place. Your interactions with the computer will be logged for analysis purposes. This information will not be disclosed to others and the data will be discarded after the study is over.</p> <p>You will receive a certain amount of money for your participation as noticed in the Amazon Mechanical Turk page. Your participation in this experiment should take no longer than one hour.</p>
<b>Potential Risks and Discomforts</b>	There are no known risks associated with participation in this study.
<b>Potential Benefits</b>	This research is not designed to benefit you personally. We hope that, in the future, other people might benefit from this study through improved human computer interaction techniques as well as better information visualization techniques.
<b>Confidentiality</b>	<p>Any potential loss of confidentiality will be minimized by storing data on a password protected computer.</p> <p>If we write a report or article about this research project, your identity will be protected to the maximum extent possible. Your information may be shared with representatives of the University of Maryland, College Park or governmental authorities if you or someone else is in danger or if we are required to do so by law.</p>

<b>Medical Treatment</b>	<p>The University of Maryland does not provide any medical, hospitalization or other insurance for participants in this research study, nor will the University of Maryland provide any medical treatment or compensation for any injury sustained as a result of participation in this research study, except as required by law.</p>
<b>Right to Withdraw and Questions</b>	<p>Your participation in this research is completely voluntary. You may choose not to take part at all. If you decide to participate in this research, you may stop participating at any time. If you decide not to participate in this study or if you stop participating at any time, you will not be penalized or lose any benefits to which you otherwise qualify.</p> <p>If you decide to stop taking part in the study, if you have questions, concerns, or complaints, or if you need to report an injury related to the research, please contact the investigator, Benjamin Bederson at: University of Maryland, 2117 Hornbake Building, College Park, MD, phone: 301-405-2764, email: <a href="mailto:bederson@cs.umd.edu">bederson@cs.umd.edu</a>.</p>
<b>Participant Rights</b>	<p>If you have questions about your rights as a research participant or wish to report a research-related injury, please contact:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> <b>University of Maryland College Park</b>  <b>Institutional Review Board Office</b>  <b>1204 Marie Mount</b>  <b>College Park, Maryland, 20742</b>  <b>E-mail: <a href="mailto:irb@umd.edu">irb@umd.edu</a></b>  <b>Telephone: 301-405-0678</b> </p> <p>This research has been reviewed according to the University of Maryland, College Park IRB procedures for research involving human subjects.</p>