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Summary

I have been a Research Fellow in the School of Psychology, University of Sussex, since 07/2018. Previously, I was a Research Fellow in Multisensory Experiences at the Sussex Human-Computer Interaction (SCHI /sky/) Lab, School of Engineering and Informatics, University of Sussex, and a Research Assistant at the Bristol Interaction & Graphics (BIG) Lab, Computer Science Department, University of Bristol.

I received my Ph.D. in Computer Science in 2014 and my MSc in Advance Computing: Internet Technologies with Security in 2008 from the University of Bristol, UK, while working with Prof. Sriram Subramanian. I received my BSc in Electronics and Telecommunications at Hanoi University of Science and Technology, Vietnam, in 2006.

My research interest is in a multidisciplinary domain, where there is a cross-feeding between Computer Science, Human-Computer Interaction, Multisensory Experience (taste, smell, and flavor), Experimental Psychology, and Neuroscience. In addition, I am interested in harnessing novel technology to enhance human-computer interaction bandwidth and enrich user experience.

My works have been covered on popular channels such as BBC Click, ITV Good Morning Britain, The Times, Digital Trends, The Evening Standard, IEEE Spectrum, WIRED, and in different languages (i.e., English, French, German, Japanese, Vietnamese, Chinese, and Russian).

Education

University of Bristol

Bristol, UK

PHD IN HUMAN COMPUTER INTERACTION

May 2010 - May 2014

- **Supervisor:** Professor Sriram Subramanian.
- **Research focus:** My thesis focused on designing novel human-computer interaction techniques and harnessing physiological signals to enrich interactive applications and assist computer users. Specifically, I investigated how to use brain sensing techniques, such as EEG (Electroencephalography), to evaluate interactive applications in different scenarios. I also investigated the detection of human error awareness using EEG while interacting with computing systems.
- **Thesis:** Designing Interactive Applications using Active and Passive EEG-based BCI Systems.

University of Bristol

Bristol, UK

MSC IN INTERNET TECHNOLOGY AND SECURITY

Sep 2007 - Nov 2008

- **Selected Subjects:** Web Technologies, Cryptography, Information Security, Mobile and Ubiquitous Computing.
- **Grade:** Second class honours, upper division (2:1).
- **Thesis:** Investigating human movement models in improving user interaction using pen input devices.

Hanoi University of Science and Technology

Hanoi, Vietnam

BSC IN ELECTRONICS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Sep 2001 - May 2006

- **Selected Subjects:** Digital Signal Processing, Automatic Control Theory, Microwave Engineering, Microprocessors, Data Transmission, Optical Fiber Communications.
- **Grade:** Distinction.
- **Thesis:** Research & Development of Voice Over IP Systems.

Work Experience

School of Psychology, University of Sussex

Brighton, UK

RESEARCH FELLOW

Aug 2018 - PRESENT

- Work at the Sussex Ingestive Behaviour Group, led by Prof. Martin Yeomans.
- My responsibility is to design, conduct, and analyze a series of experimental studies examining how the character of food-related odors is changed by association with specific reward (i.e., sweet) and aversive (i.e., bitter or sour) tastes.
- In this post, I designed and self-built novel interactive multisensory device (i.e., to deliver taste and smell) using cutting-edge technology (i.e., acoustic levitation). I then used traditional brain scanning techniques (i.e., fMRI and EEG) to examine the behavior and neural changes underlying the altered odor experience.

SCHI Lab, University of Sussex

Brighton, UK

RESEARCH FELLOW IN MULTISENSORY EXPERIENCE

Jul 2015 - Jul 2018

- Work at the Sussex Computer Human Interaction (SCHI /sky/) Lab, led by Dr. Marianna Obrist.
- My research objectives were to explore and develop novel interaction techniques using different senses, especially taste and smell, and evaluate the developed interactive applications using novel quantitative methods in experimental psychology (such as EEG and fMRI).

BIG Lab, University of Bristol

Bristol, UK

RESEARCH ASSISTANT IN SHAPE CHANGING INTERFACES

Jul 2014 - Jul 2015

- I worked closely with Professor Sriram Subramanian in the Bristol Interaction and Graphics group within the Department of Computer Science on a project exploring the evaluation of shape-changing interfaces.
- My tasks were to develop novel interactive display devices, investigate the User Experience (UX) of interactive display devices using novel evaluation methods, explore direct and indirect interaction techniques with such display devices in novel scenarios, and examine how these devices can become part of an ecology of displays (both 2D and 3D).

SPHERE Group, University of Bristol

Bristol, UK

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

May 2014 - Jul 2014

- I worked on the SPHERE project under the supervision of Professor Ian Craddock.
- The overall objective of this project is to develop a novel sensing technique to diagnose and help manage health and well-being conditions.
- My task was to investigate the capabilities of various EEG sensors and systems to provide simple, convenient, reliable EEG measurements for older adults..

ICD Lab, Tohoku University

Sendai, Japan

RESEARCH FELLOW

Dec 2012 - May 2013

- I spent six months here as a Ph.D. research fellow under the supervision of Professor Yoshifumi Kitamura.
- My main objective was to evaluate existing interactive applications using physiological signals (particularly using portable and commodity EEG neuro-headsets).

R&D Lab, Hanoi University of Science and Technology

Hanoi, Vietnam

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Jun 2005 - Jun 2006

- Researched and deployed the project Voice over IP (VoIP) as part of the Bach Khoa Unified Messaging Network (BKUMN) project.
- I successfully implemented two systems using VoIP: Web2Phone and Asterisk.

Honors & Awards

2017	Best demo award , ACM International Conference on Interactive Surfaces and Spaces (ISS)	Brighton, UK
2013	Honorable mention paper award , International Conference on Advances in Computer Entertainment Technology (ACE)	Enschede, Netherlands
2012	Best paper award , ACM SIGCHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI)	Austin, Texas, U.S.A
2006	Second prize award , “Student research contest” at the Hanoi University of Science and Technology	Hanoi, Vietnam
2005	Commendation awards , for having excellent achievement in academic year 2004, 2005 at the Hanoi University of Science and Technology	Hanoi, Vietnam

Academic Activities

- **Associate Journal Editor**
 - International Journal of Human-Computer Studies.
 - Frontiers in Human-Media Interaction (Computer Science).
- **Program Committee Member**
 - ACM CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems. Hamburg, Germany – CHI 2023
 - The 17th IFIP TC.13 International Conference on Human-Computer Interaction – INTERACT 2019, 2021, 2023
 - Workshop on Multisensory Approaches to Human-Food Interaction - MAHFI 2017, 2018.
 - ACM Multimedia Conference - MM 2017, 2018
 - aBCI 2015 - 4th Workshop on Affective Brain Computer Interaction – aBCI 2015.
 - International Conference on Entertainment Computing – ICEC 2012, 2013.
- **Organizing Committee Member**
 - CHI 2016 Workshop on “Touch, Taste, and Smell User Interfaces: The Future of Multisensory HCI
- **Reviewer**: continuously from 2010 to present
 - Conferences: CHI, UIST, ICMI, DIS, INTERACT, TEI, MM, OzCHI, MobileHCI, EICS, ICEC, UbiComp, and so on.
 - Journals: ToCHI, IJHCS, Frontiers in Computer Science, Frontiers in Neuroscience, Quality and User Experience, Behaviour Information Technology, Interacting with Computers, and so on.

Publications

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- Patricia Cornelio Martinez, [Chi Thanh Vi](#), Giada Brianza, Emmanuela Maggioni, Marianna Obrist. “*Smell & Taste-based Interactions enabled through Advances in Digital Technology*”. *Handbook of Human-Computer Interaction*. Springer Nature. 2022. **(SUBMITTED)**

PEER-REVIEWED CONFERENCE PAPERS

- [Chi Thanh Vi](#), Daniel Arthur, Marianna Obrist. “*TasteBud: Bring Taste Back into the Game*”. 3rd ACM SIGCHI International Workshop on Multisensory Approaches to Human-Food Interaction. Boulder CO USA. 2018.
- [Chi Thanh Vi](#), Asier Marzo, Damien Ablart, Gianluca Memoli, Sriram Subramanian, Bruce Drinkwater, Marianna Obrist. “*TastyFloats: A Contact-less Food Delivery System*”. *ACM International Conference on Interactive Surfaces and Spaces*. Brighton, UK. 2017. ★ **Best Demo Award** ★
- Dmitrijs Dmitrenko, Emanuela Maggioni, [Chi Thanh Vi](#), Marianna Obrist. “*Did I Sniff? Mapping Scents Onto Driving-Related Messages*”. *ACM International Conference on Automotive User Interfaces and Interactive Vehicular Applications (AutomotiveUI)*. Oldenburg, Germany. 2017.
- [Chi Thanh Vi](#), Kasper Hornbæk, Sriram Subramanian. “*Neuroanatomical Correlates of Perceived Usability*”. *ACM Symposium on User Interface Software and Technology (UIST)*. Quebec, Canada. 2017.
- Patricia Cornelio Martinez, Silvana De Pirro, [Chi Thanh Vi](#), Sriram Subramanian. “*Agency in mid-air Interfaces*”. In proceedings of the ACM CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI). Denver. USA. 2017.
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- [Chi Thanh Vi](#), Sriram Subramanian. “*Detecting Error-Related Negativity For Interaction Design*”. In proceedings of the ACM CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI), ACM. Austin, Texas, USA. 2012. ★ **Best Paper Award** ★

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Notes on Publications: Conferences are the primary venue for publication in Human-Computer Interaction. All my conference publications are in highly competitive peer-reviewed conferences with acceptance rates of 20 to 35% (typically, CHI accepts about 750 submissions from over 3000 papers per year). Most of my full conference papers would be readily accepted in most peer-reviewed HCI journals, with an acceptance rate of over 35%. It is generally considered that ACM CHI and UIST conferences are the flagships and leading venues in a discipline area, with accepted papers being archival contributions (<https://www.core.edu.au/conference-portal>).

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