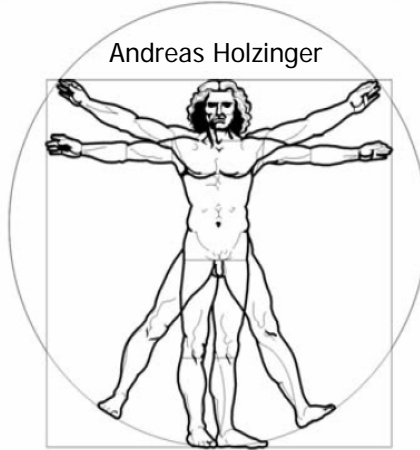


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Usability Engineering for Software Developers  
**Applying User Centered Design**

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**Welcome**



**Thank you for choosing this Seminar**

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- Introductions
  - Background analysis
  - Go over syllabus
  - Finding potential project teammates...
- User-centered design and usability
  - Parallel on demand lectures
  - Practical Activities
  - Revisit syllabus – Focus on readings
- Project
  - In Group of three people (magical number)
  - Group formation and project selection

- **How to get a (positive) grading**  
**Part 1+2 (70 %): Project Presentation + Paper**
- Doing a project work in groups of 3 people and proceed in conference contribution style
  - Select a project idea
  - Work on the project together
  - Write a paper together (max. 3 authors)
  - Submit to Committee (peer review)
  - Presenting the paper in plenum
  - Discuss

■ **How to get a (positive) grading**  
Part 3 (30%): Written Examination

■ Answering questions of UCD Theory

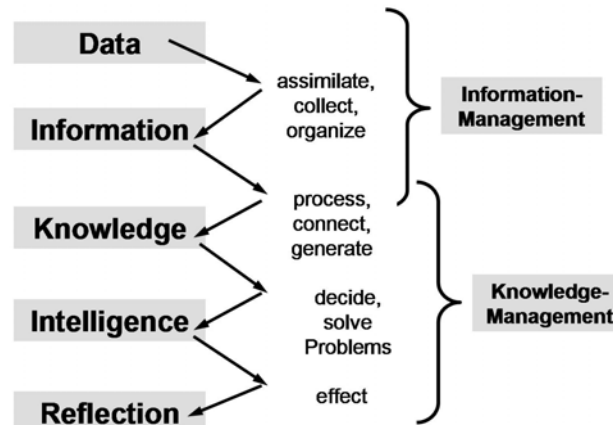
- Dichotomy YES/NO Decisions
- Multiple Choice
- Open Ended Questions



*Harsdoerfer (1607-1658)*

Refer to Holzinger (2001)

## PLEASE CONSIDER: Learning is a basic cognitive process ... not an object...



*Skinner (1954), Gagné (1965), Holzinger (2000)*

### Teacher-Centered

"Knowledge" (BEWARE!)  
is transmitted from teacher to student

### Learner-Centered

Students construct Knowledge (Yes!) through gathering and synthesizing information and integrating it with the general skills of inquiry, communication, critical thinking and problem solving.

### Teacher-Centered

Emphasis is on acquisition of knowledge outside the context in which it will be used.

### Learner-Centered

Emphasis is on using and communicating knowledge effectively to address enduring and emerging issues and **problems in real-life contexts.**

*Holzinger & Motschnig-Pitrik (2005)*

### Course Design principles

#### 1) Assumptions

- Learning aims to the construction of KNOWLEDGE
- Every student is diverse with different background
- Students have a lot of preliminary knowledge to bring in class

## Course Design principles

### 2) Fundamentals

- Provide varied ways for students to learn & demonstrate knowledge
- Ensure students have opportunity to learn from **each other**
- Manage participant burden

## Course Design principles

### 3) Elements

- Practice User-Centered Design activities
- Reflect on UCD activities through discussions
- Learn from perspectives of others
- Various interactions (work together, present, summarize, discuss ... **synthesize**)

- [Pre-1975]:
  - Computing systems with specialized interfaces, expert users,
  - Severe limitations in terms of interface, computing power stands in foreground!

#### Computers enter the hospital: 1960



- Information is still gathered manually
- Massive storage and quick retrieval
- Very limited 'sharing' due to restricted network and proprietary systems
- Used mostly for accounting functions

- 1977: Release of Apple II with graphical interface
- 1985: Gould and Lewis promote User-centered Design
- 1988: Norman and Draper, *User-centered System Design*
- [1990's] –
  - Interest in field methods,
  - Rapid increases in computing power and options,
  - Emergence of prototyping tools,
  - Global marketplace,
  - Internet...
- 1999: ISO standards for human-centered design
- 2001: FIRST Special issue IJHCI, Human-centered design

- **Usability** is the typical way a product is *evaluated*
- **Usability Engineering (UE)** is all encompassing to *enable good Usability*
- **User-centered design (UCD)** is one approach of UE to incorporate the end-user in design and development (User-centered development)



$$XP + UE = XU$$

*Holzinger, Errath, Searle, Thurnher, Slany (2005)*

- "Know thy end-users"
- Common dimensions include
  - Role – Dominant persona of users (job, affiliation)
  - Goals – Reason for the interaction
  - Circumstances of Use – Setting, resources, strategy, timing
  - Culture – Group level beliefs, language, preferences
  - Ergonomics – Relevant perceptual & motor abilities, skills





- Know thy end-users!
  - Cognitive abilities
  - Physical abilities
  - Motivational background
  - Previous knowledge and skills!
- Keep users involved throughout the development process ...

Please record the following information clearly on an index card:

- Name  
(or preferred way to address you)
- Best way to contact you  
(e.g. email, phone ... etc.)
- Domains of interest  
(e.g., medicine, e-commerce ... etc.)

- Medicine/health: Gig, Thomas, Daniel, Conny, Bernd, Toni, Sabine,
- Public: Markus, Verena, Christian,
- Communications: Thomas
- Civil Engineering: Martin1
- Media: Gernot, Martin2, Toni, Hans-Peter, Martin3, Peter2, Sabine, Peter, Chrissi,

- Self-characterization: Indicate your level of agreement with the following statements by recording *low*, *medium*, or *high* for each:
  - I consider myself a designer
  - I consider myself adept at incorporating user considerations into my work

Already are designers ...	High	0	4	5
	Medium	0	4	5
	Low	0	0	0
		Low	Medium	High

**Adept at prioritizing user issues...**

- Design process: Write down the sequence of five major steps one should go through in developing and evaluating a new software system for end users

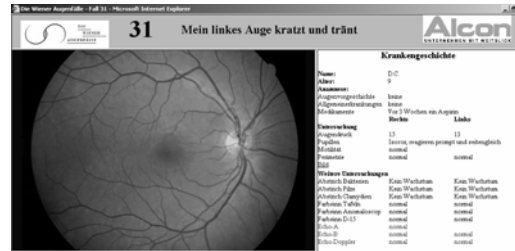
- Zenz, Singer und Zangl:
- 1. Zielgruppe / Anforderungen
  - 1a. Erwerb von Domänenwissen, Contextualisation
  - 1b. Abgleich Anforderungen Benutzer / Auftraggeber
- 2. Prototyping
  - 2a. Auftrennung von Logik und Benutzerinterface
- 3. Modifikation / Redesign
- 4. Usab. Tests
- 5. Implementierung

- Techniques: What techniques do you use (have you used) to focus on end-users in your work?



- Evaluation criteria:
- What criteria would you use to evaluate
- a) a hair dryer

- Preis
- Leistung ( Luftdurchsatz, Wärme, Kälte)
- Einstellungsmöglichkeiten
- Größe / gewicht
- Ergonomie /Geräusentwicklung
- Kabellänge
- Optik
- Sicherheit
- Verarbeitungsqualität
- Spannung umschaltbar
- Erweiterungsmöglichkeiten
- Intuitive Steuerung ;)



- Evaluation criteria:
- What criteria would you use to evaluate
- b) a Web site for Online Health Resources

- Aufteilung in wissenschaftliche Bereiche
- Grundsuchfunktionen: Körper(-teile)
  - 3D-Ansichten, Krankheiten, Medikamente,...
- Weltkarte zum Anklicken (Reiseempfehlungen z.B. Impfungen)
- Multimedia-Archiv (Audio, Bilder, Video)
- Empfehlungen für weitere Ansprechstellen (Ärzte, Krankenhäuser, ...)

- Benchmarks gegen die Evaluiert werden kann:
- Vertrauenswürdigkeit
- Accessibility
- Scalability (Skalierbarkeit/Tiefe der Inhalt)
- Harmlosigkeit
- Arzt-Deutsch Übersetzung
- Regionalisierung/Adaptivität



- Evaluation criteria:
- What criteria would you use to evaluate
- c) an Hospital Information System (HIS)



