User Interaction with Interactive Digital Television

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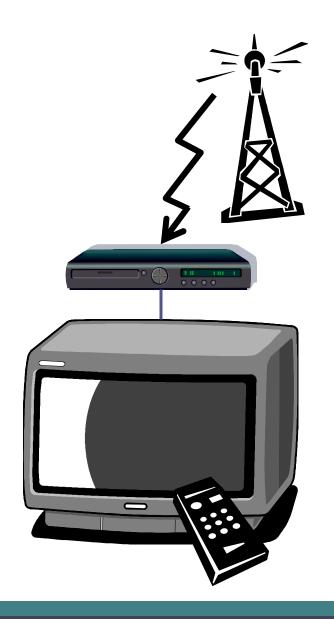


Motivation

- Elderly people are not typical target group
 - They are excluded from design process
 - They have specific abilities and constrains (e.g. sight or hearing impairment)
- Interfaces designed for elderly users can be easily operated by majority of other users

Interactive Digital TV

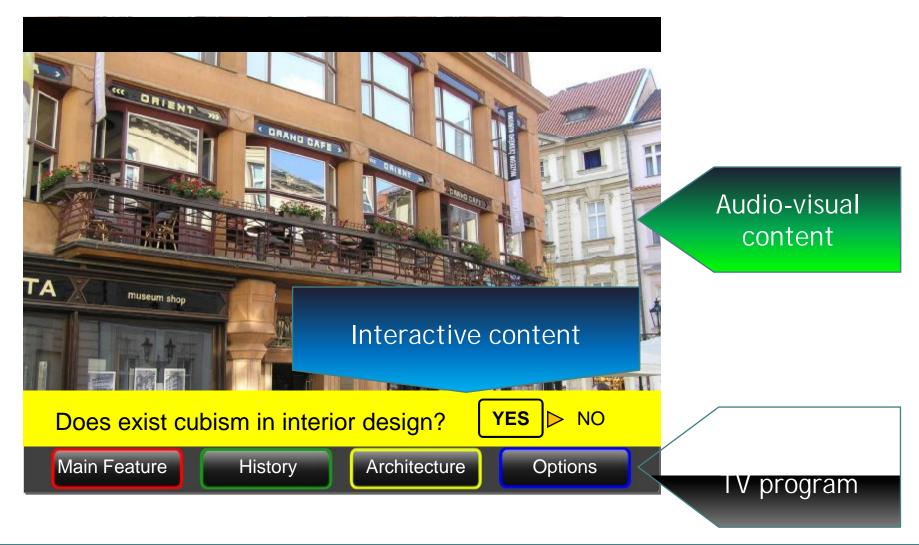
- Benefits of iDTV
 - 99% of households have TV
 - TV is familiar device
- Limitations of iDTV
 - Small resolution of TV
 - Lean-back user interaction
 - Remote control
 - Poor performance of settop boxes
 - Limited memory and storage



Our Research

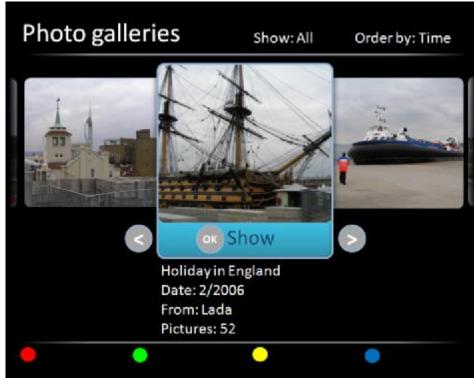
- Primary focus on user interaction with iDTV for elderly people
 - User-centered design
 - Guidelines, mockups, demos
 - New interaction modalities
 - Gestures, Voice, Pointing
 - Usability testing
- Secondary focus on content creation process
 - Transport stream generator
 - Prototyping tool for t-learning courses
- Participation in projects of EC
 - ELU (Enhanced Learning Unlimited): T-learning
 - VM (Vital Mind): Using iDTV for cognitive training

Example 1: ELU



Example 2: Vital Mind





Conclusion

- Creation of effective user interfaces for iDTV is very difficult
 - There are no general guidelines established
 - iDTV user interfaces are not uniform
 - Visual style is adapted to visual style of TV program
 - There are no affordable tools
- Java (MHP) is competing with DHTML and Flash
- There is big potential for Java (and JavaFX)
 - If there will be affordable tools (e.g. Netbeans module)

Thank you for your attention. Questions?



