

Design Thinking and Electronic Prototyping

Week 6



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Project

Today (13.10.):

Project Plan

In 7 weeks (1.12):

Project Results with Prototype Demo

Project planning

1. Goal

1. What are you trying to create

2. Tasks

1. What functionalities/features/components you plan to create
2. Which activities are necessary to get to your result
3. Remember – time is needed for exploring, integrating and testing!

3. Resources

1. Who is available, for how many hours, and when
2. Who will be in Finland - when

4. Schedule

1. Add key milestones (internal project goals / iteration)

Project plans – let's review

Project evaluation in the end

1. Design Concept
2. Design Exploration
3. Design Judgment

Design Concept

1. Name & Visualisation
2. Purpose & Users
3. Key benefits (which problems solves / value adds)

Design Exploration

1. **User study: Observations/Findings about users**
2. **Technology study: Observations/Findings about tech**
3. **Excess Ideas: Which ideas were considered but discarded**

Design Judgment

- 1. Why do you think that your idea is a good one?**
 - If it solves a problem – is that problem really a meaningful one to be solved?
- 2. Why did you choose to prototype the specific functions and features?**
- 3. Why did do the project activities in the order that you did?**
- 4. Why did you discard certain ideas?**

Assistant meetings – Weekly!

1. **You are required to meet with your team's assistant weekly**
 - Recommendation is ~30 minutes
 - It is to present your project status, open questions, and to adjust your plans
 - Negotiate the schedules with your team's assistant

This and the next week's tasks

1. **Diary – Deadline on Monday 26.10. at 10 AM**
2. **Reading: Chapter 3 + Start of Chapter 4 until p. 140**
 - Knowledge in the Head and in the World
 - The Tradeoff Between Knowledge in the World and in the Head
 - Memory in Multiple Heads, Multiple Devices, Natural Mapping
 - Culture and Design: Natural Mappings Can Vary with Culture
 - Knowing What to Do
 - Constraints, Discoverability, and Feedback, Four Kinds of Constraints: Physical, Cultural, Semantic, and Logical, Applying Affordances, Signifiers, and Constraints to Everyday Objects
3. **Exercises**
 07. I²C bus
4. **Project**
 - Contact your assistant – weekly meeting **REQUIRED**
 - Start building your prototype!