

# The Human Factor (THF)

Week 8: Prototyping

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# Prototyping Techniques for CW2

For CW2, your group will select one of the three sketched ideas to develop into an interactive prototype. You can create a:

- Paper prototype
- Interactive Wireframe
- High-fidelity prototype
- Wizard-of-oz prototype
- Video prototype

# Paper Prototype

- Easy to produce and change
- Require a human facilitator (known as the human computer)



Usability test with paper prototype

- <https://youtu.be/yafaGNFu8Eg>

# The Human Computer

- Formalised method of doing Paper Prototype testing
- One person is the “computer” and moves the paper prototypes around in response to the participant’s actions
- One person is the “facilitator” who is in charge of making sure the study runs smoothly
- When to use:
  - When you need a more formal or in-depth feedback than just showing someone your designs

# Prototyping Activity

- 1. Review** your 3 sketches and select 1 to prototype, remember to consider:
  - a. Experience:** will it enhance the experience of your participants?
  - b. Innovation:** is the design idea novel?
  - c. Insight:** what will you learn from its deployment?
  - d. Feasibility:** can you build a prototype to test it?
- 2.** Create an initial paper prototype of your design sketch
- 3.** Create 2-3 tasks to test a user's interaction with your prototype
- 4.** Test your paper prototype with another group (assign roles: computer, facilitator, note taker)

**Any questions?**