

VIM with EyeTracker

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VIM (Vi IMproved)



- Command line text editor
- Keyboard only
- Multiple modes:
 - Normal mode
 - Input mode
 - Visual mode
 - Etc.
- Movement + Command



Modalities



V.S.



Design space

CASE

| | | USE OF MODALITIES | |
|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | | Sequential | Parallel |
| FUSION | Combined | ALTERNATE | SYNERGISTIC |
| | Independent | EXCLUSIVE | CONCURRENT |
| | | Meaning No Meaning | Meaning No Meaning |
| LEVELS OF ABSTRACTION | | | |

CARE

- Complementarity
- Assignment
- Redundancy
- Equivalence

Tobii Eye Tracker 4C

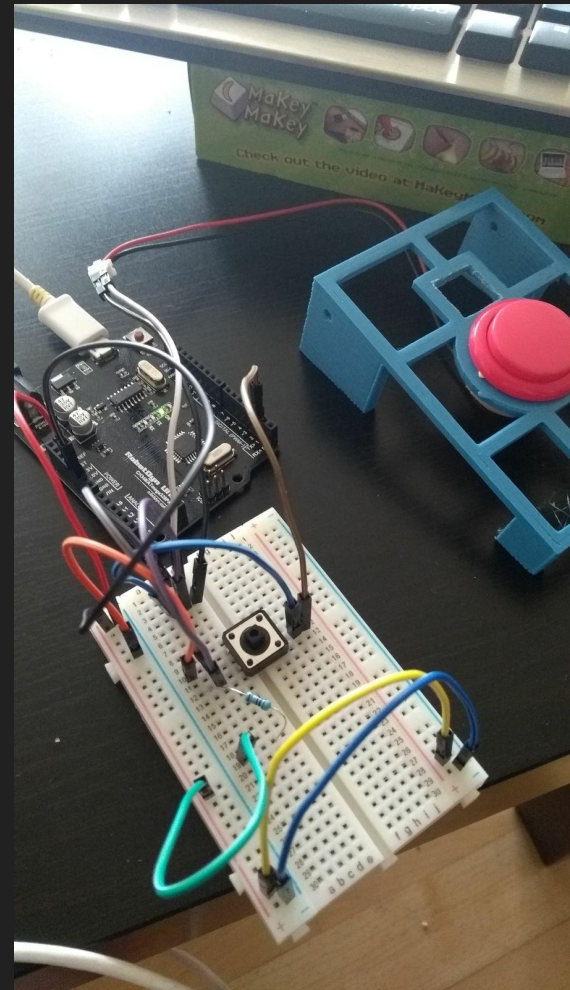


- Designed for gaming
- Real time tracking
- Gaze detection (no flickering)
- SDK available



Pedal

- *Arduino* that sends “on” when pedal is pushed and “off” when it is released through serial



Hypothesis

H1: It's faster to edit source code with the eye tracker, pedal and keyboard than just with mouse and keyboard

H0: It takes the same time to edit source code with the eye tracker, pedal and keyboard or with mouse and keyboard

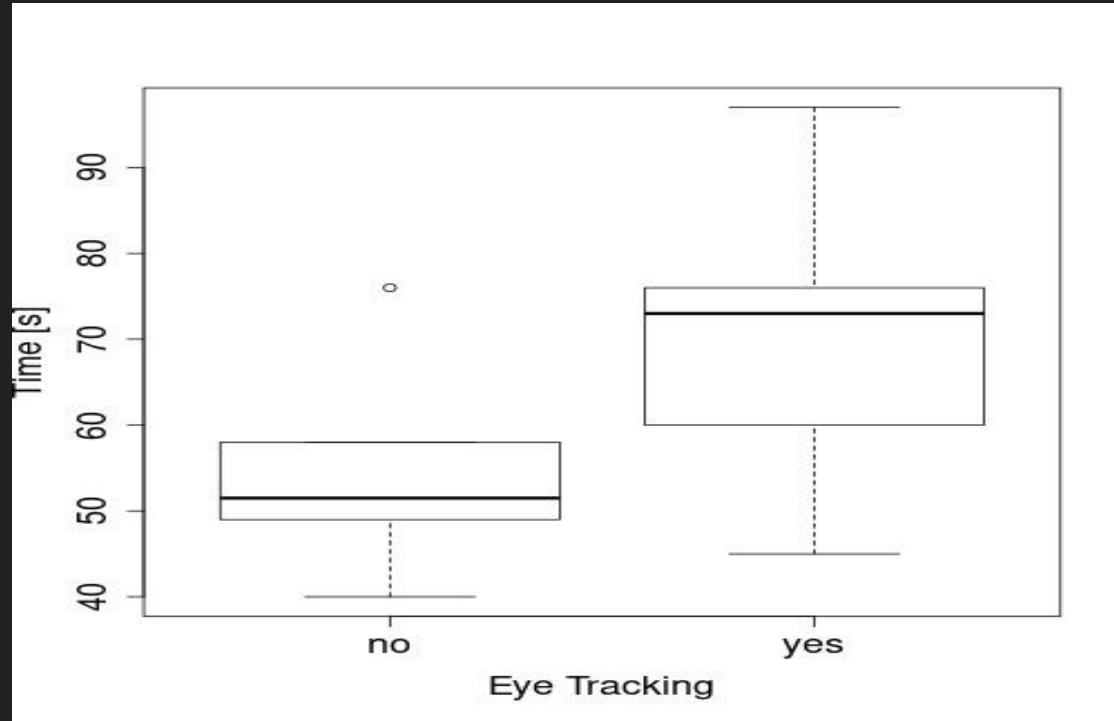
Variables

- Dependent variable: time to complete the task on the script
- Independent variables: the lines of code, the number of changes to make, the hardware

Evaluation

- Within group
- Subjects already know to use Vim
- 2 different files of Java code
- Keyboard, pedal and eye tracker VS keyboard and mouse
- 6 changes to make
- 6 subjects

Result



T test:
 $t = -1.8857$,
 $df = 8.9375$,
 $p\text{-value} = 0.09219$

Means
No = 54s
Yes = 71s

Conclusion

- H0 is accepted
- Not significant, probably due to the low number of subject
- Keyboard and mouse is quicker but
 - Subjects never use eye tracker
 - Eye track precision was not perfect
 - Other factors: vim skills, apprehension of the task, typing speed
- The subject still appreciate using the eye tracker as a modality

Demo

Questions