# Illuminated Interactive Paper



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# Paper

# Natural paper properties

- wide spread
- cheap
- flexible
- sensory and haptic qualities





# **Digital Pen-and-Paper**

- promising potential to become a part of our daily work
- potential to bridge the gap between handwritten and virtual information

#### Equil SmartPen 2

#### Wacom Inkling Digital Sketch Pen



# Lack of visual feedback

Bag

Sett

Brown

A3

Penblue

Pink

Green



- no advanced digital functionalities
- risk of triggering incorrect actions (e.g., tap twice)

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# IllumiPaper in a nutshell

#### Motivation and problem



#### Enabling technology



# IllumiPaper in a nutshell

Our approach: IllumiPaper



IllumiPaper integrates visual feedback for digital pens on standard paper by using novel thin-film technologies.



Some of you may have already visited our demo booth...

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# Demo Hours

# Today, **11:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

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# Utilizing the pen





# Pen for visual feedback

🛨 no additional hardware

Iimited visual capabilities

Livescribe, 2013. Smartpen 3

# Using additional displays



Tsandilas, 2012. Interpreting Strokes on Paper with a Mobile







Approach Extend

# Use existing displays

• rich visual capabilities

- requires additional hardware
- interrupt workflow, media break

# Projecting digital overlays

#### **Projected** fixed to ground



Song et al., 2010. MouseLight

Approach

# Combine



# **Projected overlays**

rich visual capabilities (+)

- preserve natural paper (+)properties and workflow
- requires additional and complex hardware setups

# Visual Feedback Classification



# And how can we achieve that?

# **Design Goal: Integration**

- sensory properties have to be preserved
- augmentation should be lightweight and subsidiary

说: Idea: enhance paper with novel printed technologies

# Flexible OLED & E-Ink Displays?

# Next generation displays are ...

- ultra-thin
- bendable
- interactive
- high-resolution

# but they lack ...

- sensory and haptic qualities
- simplicity, familiarity
- cost-effectiveness

# **Novel Electronics**



# **Printed displays**

- preserve natural paper properties and workflows
- require only simple hardware extensions

 potential mass production

Imited visual capabilities

# **Concept:** Design of Visual Feedback

Where? – Feedback Position

How? – Visual Types

When? – Feedback Time



# At which place is feedback required and possible?





# What forms are possible?





# At what time can feedback be provided?







# post-feedback



action







Controls and Widgets

Validity Feedback

Layout Feedback

Motion Sequences

Smart Request Feedback

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Smart Request Feedback

- feedback for controls & widgets reduces risk of triggering incorrect actions (e.g., tap twice)
- provides simple but useful feedback for states and selections
- can be applied to many existing digital pen notebook applications

# Options blue red **Buttons** Slider



Controls and Widgets

Validity Feedback

Layout Feedback

Motion Sequences

Smart Request Feedback

- validity feedback enables immediate simple validity feedback concerning a specific task
- examples
  - completion of an application form
  - correctness of a grid word puzzle
  - multiple-choice question





Controls and Widgets

Validity Feedback

# Layout Feedback

Motion Sequences

Smart Request Feedback

- Iayout feedback supports the user by providing
  - on-demand rulers
  - different grid systems
  - predefined design templates
- can be enabled at any time
- examples are math, writing or orthogonal sketching

# Ruler





**Paper Displays** thin, flexible, printable colorful, illuminating



**Traces** highly conductive, seamless integration



# Microcontroller switching logics for

displays and pen actions



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#### Off-the-shelf EL foil with printed stencil foils





**Microcontroller** switching logics for displays and pen action

Traces



**Paper Displays** thin, flexible, printable colorful, illuminating

#### EL Screen Printing







**Traces** highly conductive, seamless integratic



# **Microcontroller** switching logics for displays and pen action







## **Paper Displays** thin, flexible, printable colorful, illuminating

#### Copper Tape









# **Microcontroller** switching logics for displays and pen action

highly conductive,

seamless integration

Traces

Traces

highly conductive,

seamless integration



# **Paper Displays** thin, flexible, printable colorful, illuminating

#### Conductive Inkjet Printing





**Microcontroller** switching logics for displays and pen actions

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# **Paper Displays** thin, flexible, printable

#### **Traces** highly conductive, seamless integration







# Microcontroller

switching logics for displays and pen actions

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# Further Fabrication Details

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EL Screen Printing



#### G Smart Clip

Smart Clip	Image: Second
Shift Register NXP 74HC595	AC Circuit 100V, 3kHz PC: SDA. SCL
	Analog Sensing (16 Bit) Texas Instruments ADS1115
8x EL 0 1x G	ND • 12x Touch • 1x 3.3V • 4x Analog • Pogo Pins



#### Tool List

- Solder Iron (we used a 16 W Ersa TIP 260)
- 3D printer (we used a PP3DP UP! Mini)
- Rotary Multitool

#### Part List

Image	Part	Description
×	SparkFun Power Cell – LiPo Charger/Booster PRT-11231	We used a power management board from Sparkfun with a Microship MCP73831 chip. This allows us, versatile charging capabilities including micro-usb and inductive charging. In order to avoid any damage on the micro-usb port on the board during the development (cf. Sparkfun customer reviews), we strengthen this part with a custom-printed part.
S	LiPo Accu – 400mAh PRT- 10718	We used a standard 400mAh lithium polymer battery to power the smart clip to power the smart clip. The battery provides electric power to both: to the microprocessor including its associated logic parts and the high- voltage frequency AC circuit that is generated by our EL inverter for the EL illumination.
	RFduino	For our smart controller clip, we used the RFduino microcontroller which



# **Project Website:**

http://imld.de/illumipaper/

# Applications



- six semi-structured expert interviews
- five functional example applications
- each hands-on session 60 minutes
- video recordings and protocol









# Experts



**Psychology Experts** cognitive aspects



# **Educational Experts**

learning & assistance aspects



HCI Experts interaction aspects Interviews



"The system **feels very natural** since the feedback is immediately shown at the place of interaction **without any media breaks** or attention switches."

Postdoctoral **Psychology** Researcher



"The system could enable **adjustable**, **personalized feedback options** that can either be defined by the student or the teacher."

Postdoctoral Educational Researcher



"In addition, I see high potential to enhance the system with **touch interactions** on the paper itself."

Many years Research Associate HCI

# Conclusion

- IllumiPaper provides a basis for research towards paper-integrated illuminations:
  - design space for segment-based visual feedback
  - a rich set of generic feedback components
  - fully functional prototype
- potential to enhance digital pens and bridge the gap between physical and virtual layers
- first evaluations indicate promising potential, especially for educational applications





# Future Work

- study comparing pen feedback
- miniaturize and further improve our prototype
- extend our set of applications



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