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Biography

Toshiyuki Masui is a senior researcher at Sony Computer Science Laboratories, Inc. Preveously he spent ten years at Sharp Corporation, and at Sony he is developing various systems for improving the efficiency of using computers, including the predictive text input system called POBox. POBox is used as the standard text input method for many of Sony's products, like cellular phones and PDA's. He has been doing a variety of user interface research in the areas of Information Visualization, Mobile Information Systems, Information Retrieval, Predictive Interfaces, and Input Systems. Masui has a doctorate in computer science from University of Tokyo.

Research Interests

Real-World GUI (RWGUI)

Although the age of information appliances is around the corner, current remote control devices are too awkward, and we cannot use sophisticated equipments without using computer-like terminals. We propose a new simple input device called the FieldMouse, which enables us to perform flexible interaction with real-world objects. Field-Mouse is a device which consists of an ID recognizer and a motion sensing device. Using a FieldMouse, various GUI tools like buttons, menus, sliders, and others can be used on any surface and objects, just like using a mouse on a desktop computer. Users can control or program various information appliances as easily as using graphical terminals.

Other research topics are:

- Efficient Text Input Methods
- Real-World Programming
- Information Visualization
- Information Retrieval
- Predictive Interfaces / PBD

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