

Effect of Sma;; Dynamic Information Displays for Webs-Design on users' Reading Performance and Subjective Preference

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ABSTRACT

This research investigated that the effects of Chinese dynamic information design on subjects' comprehension and subjective preference. This research includes two experiments. The first experiment investigated the effects of speed, polarity, and Chinese typography on subjects' comprehension and subjective preference in three Chinese dynamic displays. This result of this research showed the speed had significant effects on subjects' comprehension and subjective preference. Subjects performed the worst comprehension when speed was setting at 300 wpm (words per minute) than at other speeds. Regarding the subjects' subjective comprehension, both speed and display type had significant effect on it. In addition, interaction between speed and display type had a significant effect on subjects' preference evaluating. When display type was set as leading, subjects showed better preference under 200 wpm; flash display under 200-250 wpm, and RSVP under 250 wpm. Regarding Chinese typography, subjects preferred Ming-type more than Kai-type and Li-type. The second experiment investigated the effects of speed, display position, and polarity on subjects' comprehension for dynamic display, searching performance for static display and subjective preference in different dynamic/static displays. This result of this research showed dynamic display and speed had no significantly effects on subjects' static search the performance, display position and polarity had significantly effects on subjects' static search the performance, while the display positions were left-static information and above-static information has high performance of searching. Dynamic/static polarity set at black-on-white/white-on-black and black-on-white/black-on-white has high performance of searching. In addition, interaction between dynamic display and display position had a significant effect on subjects' search performance. When display position set as above-static and below-static information, subject showed better search performance under flash display; leading display under left-static and right-static. In reading performance, dynamic display and display position had no significant effect on subjects' comprehension, speed and polarity had significant effect on subjects' comprehension. Subjects performed the worst comprehension when speed was setting at 250wpm than other speed. Dynamic/static polarity set at black-on-white/black-on-white has high comprehension. Regarding the subjects' subjective preference this result showed only speed had significant. In addition, interaction between dynamic display and speed had a significant effect on subjects' preference evaluating. When display type was set as leading, subjects showed better preference under 250wpm; flash display under 200wpm; RSVP under 150wpm.

Keywords : dynamic information, static information, comprehension, subjective preference.

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