

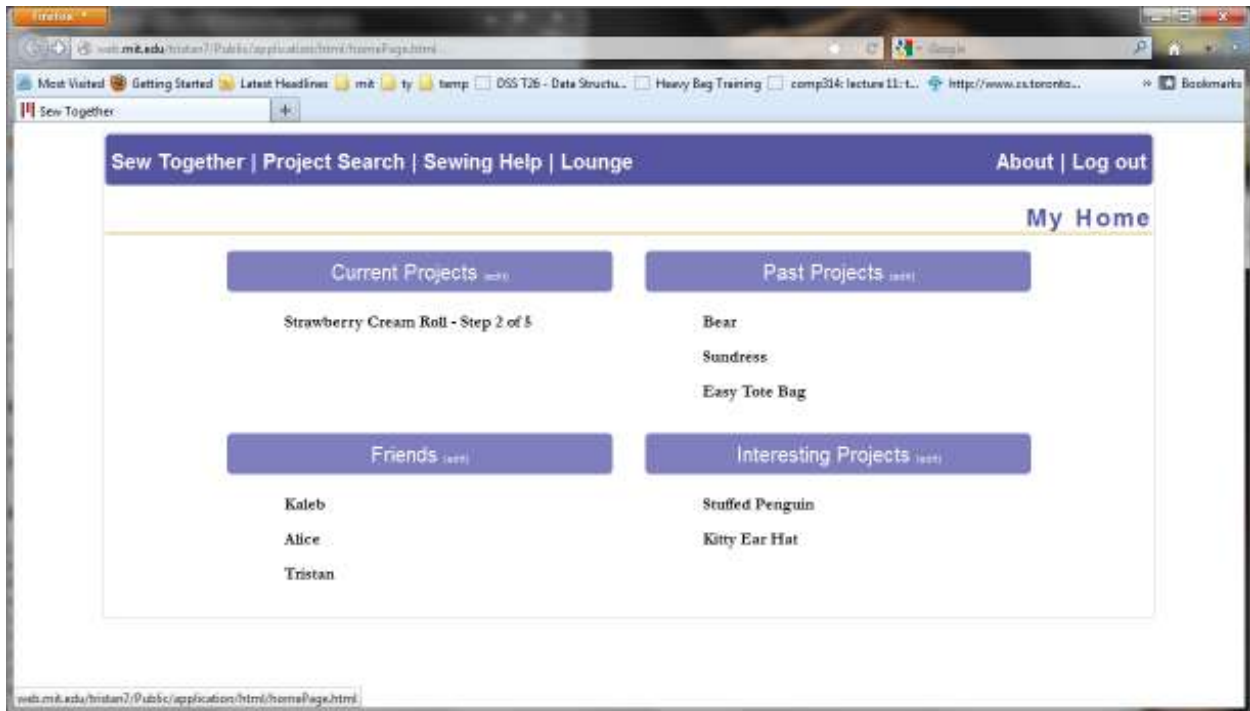
6.813 HW2 – Heuristic Evaluation

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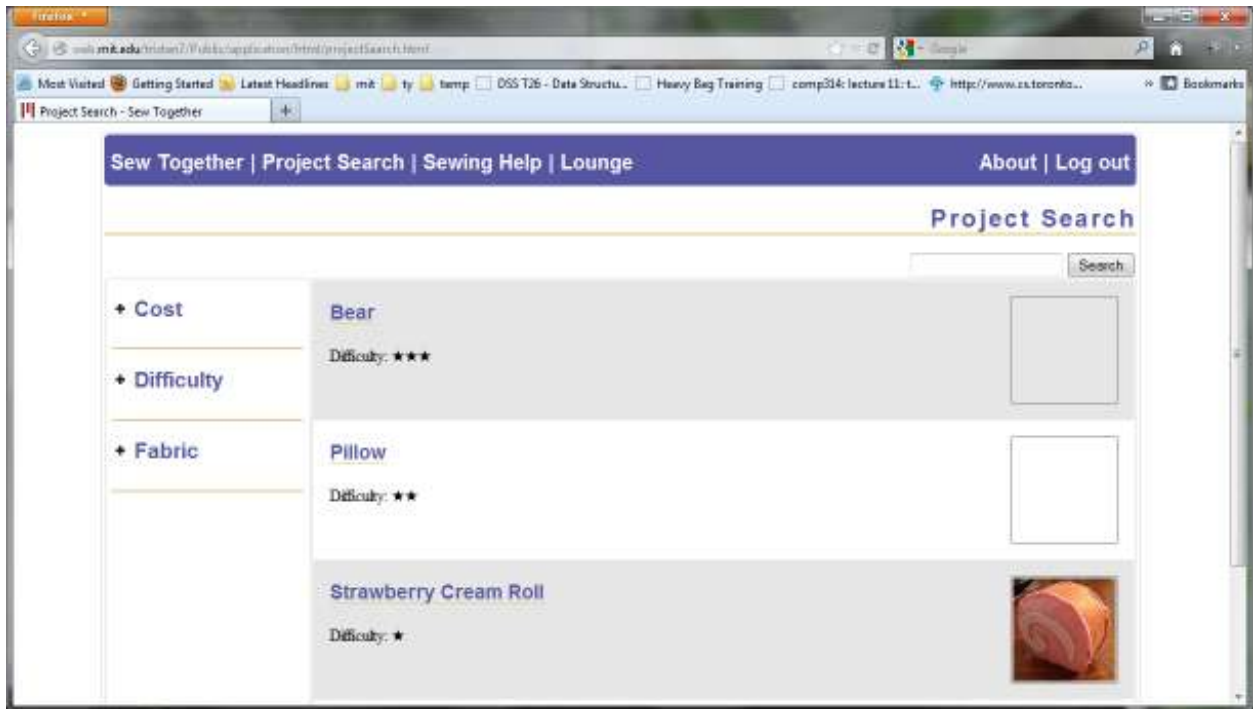
Group: Good Unless Intended

Project Homepage: <http://web.mit.edu/tristan7/Public/application/html/homePage.html>

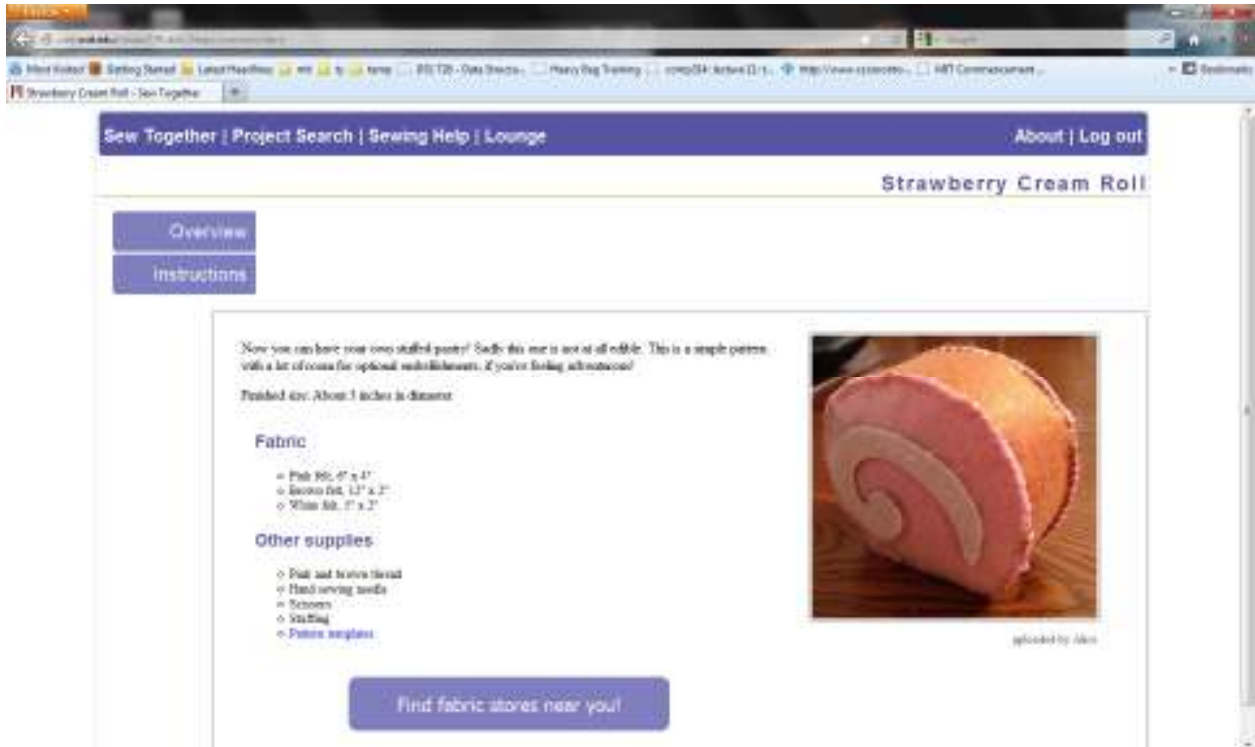


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1	The list of projects and friends do not seem clickable. The purple headers look like buttons (especially since they have (edit) next to them) and the mouse becomes a clicking hand when hovering over them, but they don't actually click? It ended up that the individual projects and friend-names (in black) are the clickable items.	major	Learnability, consistency
2	Individual projects and friend-names are clickable; they change color on hover-over.	good	Feedback
3	Clicking through the "Sew Together Project Search Sewing Help Lounge," I notice the "My Home" page title changes to let me know what page I am on (aside from page content which is unfamiliar to first user).	good	Feedback

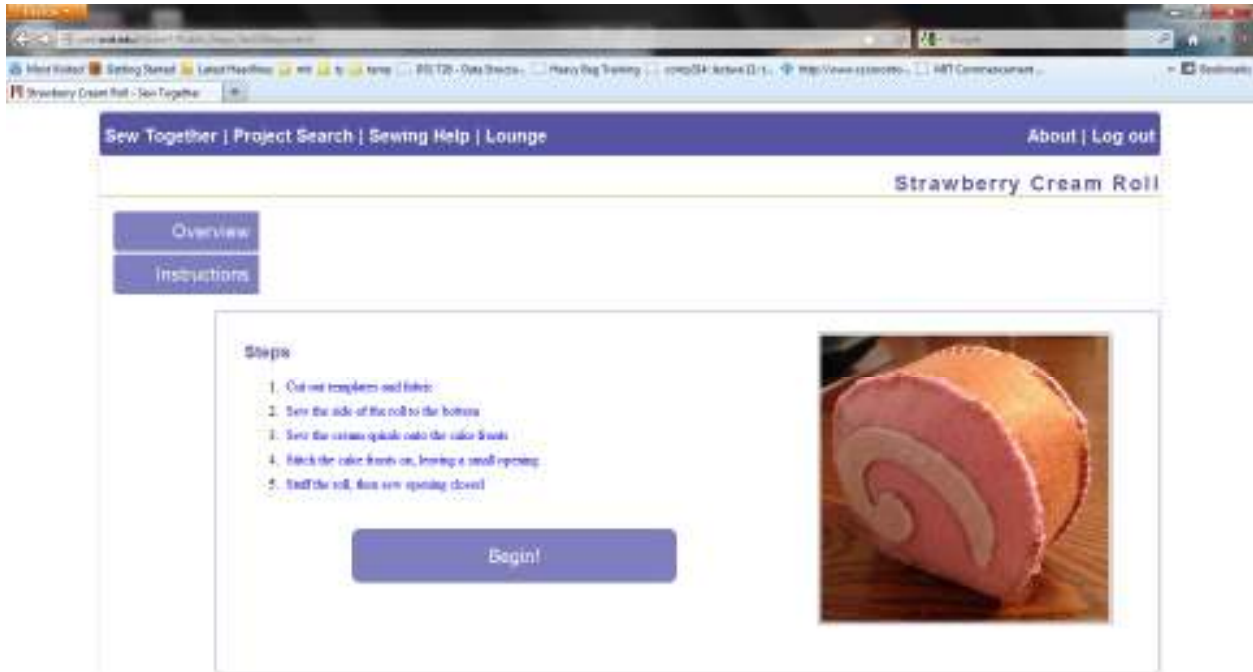
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4	Clicking through the “ Sew Together Project Search Sewing Help Lounge” tabs, the “My Home” page title changes between “ My Home ”, “Project Search”, “Sewing Help”, and “Lounge” – where the “My Home” is the page title for the “Sew Together” page. It may be confusing at first that clicking on “Sew Together” is not the website home but more like the user’s personalized homepage.	minor	Learnability, consistency
5	Clicking through the “Sew Together Project Search Sewing Help Lounge” tabs and doing a squint test, aside from page content changing and requiring the user to examine page content to figure out what page user is on, it might be nice to highlight the current tab at the top to give more direct feedback that the user clicked on it. And in this case, the “My Home” page title would then be unnecessary.	minor	Learnability, consistency, simplicity



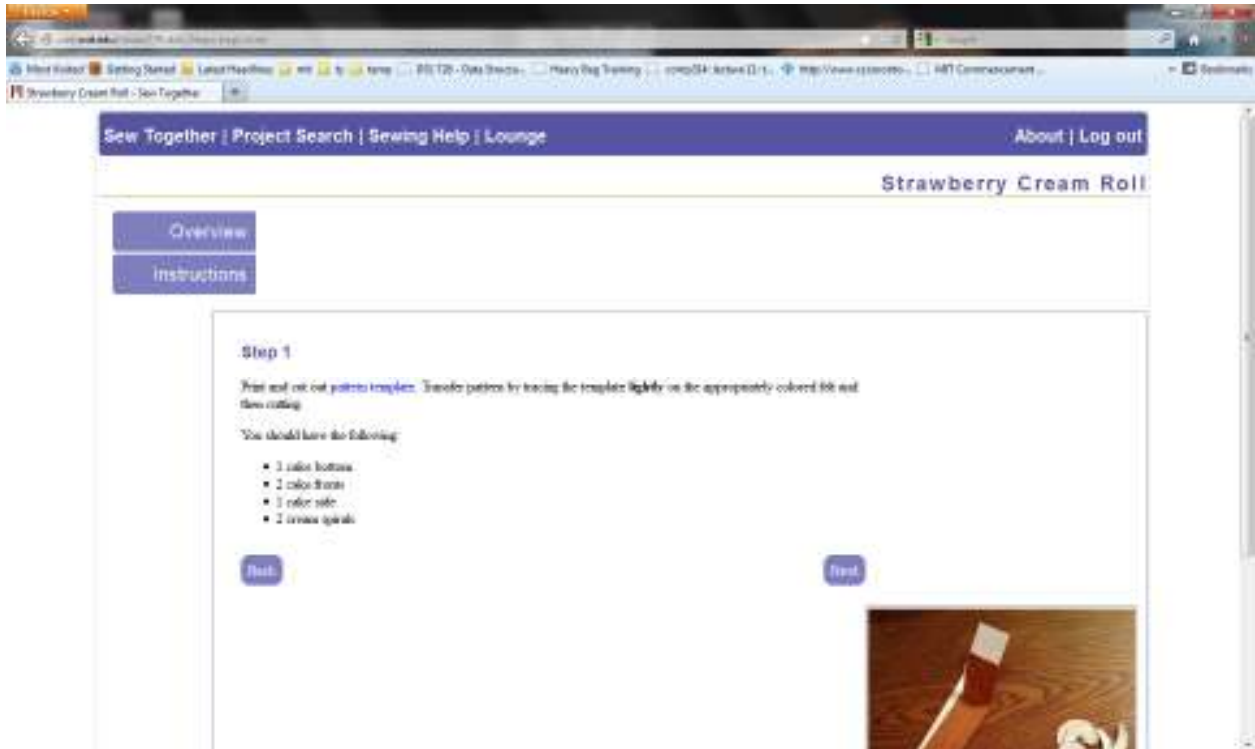
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6	The user cannot guess whether the stars-rating is out of 4 or 5 (or some other number that would be less consistent). At the moment the user can only compare relative difficulty between projects.	major	Consistency
7	Clicking "+Cost" >> "scraps!" >> "\$10 and under" >> "\$20 and under" ... reveals a different list of projects than if clicking the costs in reverse order (starting with "\$50 and under" >> "\$40 and under" ...)?	critical	Within-app Consistency, error prevention(?)
8	There's a "+" next to the tabs "Cost", "Difficulty", and "Fabric" so I know to click on them for more selections. The project-names have underlines to let me know to click on them. And general layout is clean and simple, almost where I would "expect" things to be – intuitive.	good	Consistency, simplicity



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9	Clicking on the "Strawberry Cream Roll," I get to this page; there are no tabs or page titles to indicate which page I am on. The only visible feedback on page changing is the content when clicking on buttons "Overview" and "Instructions."	minor	Feedback, consistency



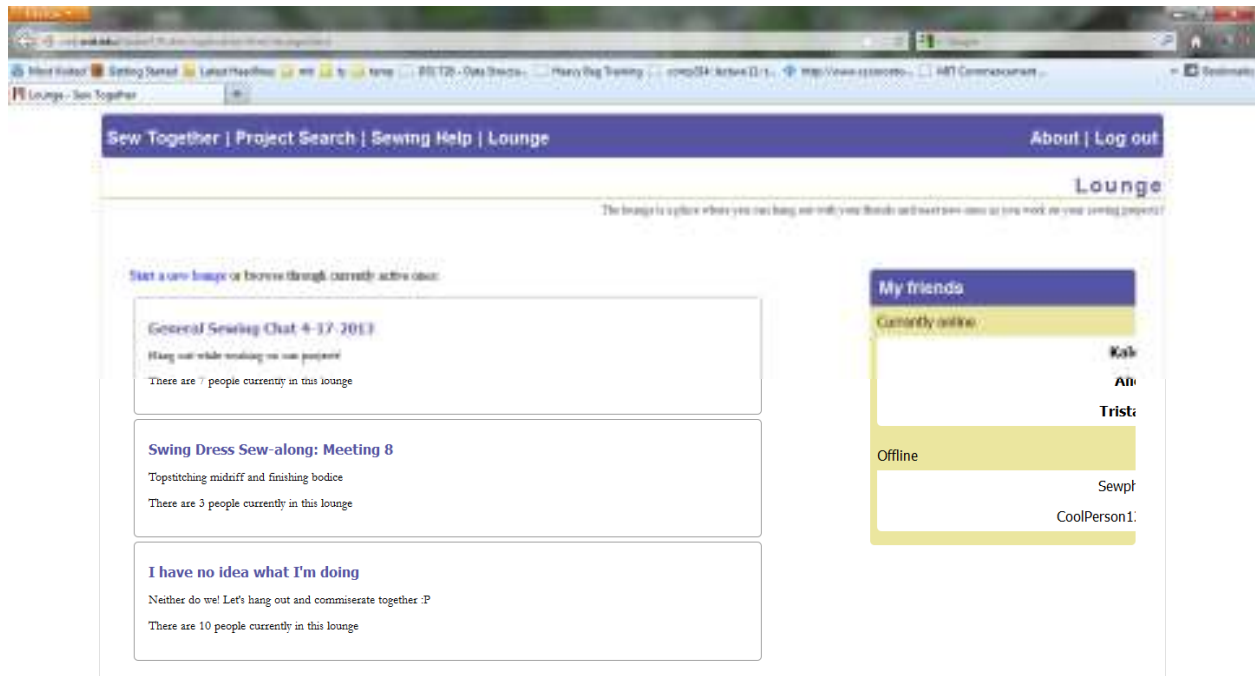
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10	Now I can kind of tell that each of the steps are clickable or possibly a link. This is different from the home page where the clickable texts are black/bold and change color to pale blue when hover-over.	minor	Consistency
11	The clickable area for the "Begin!" button is huge! It is the purple area but also the white space next to it, as if the whole row (purple or not) is a button. I found it when I clicked "back" from the previous page (Step 1) once too many times and it took me back to the Step 1 page, and I was confused.	minor	Error prevention



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12	The image is no longer in the top right corner.	minor	Consistency
13	The “next” and “back” buttons are kind of small (small target area) and far apart, so I feel the need to press “enter” or use arrows, which are not implemented.	minor	Efficiency



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14	The "Sewing Help" tab takes me to this page; and it seems consistent with the "Project Search" section. The left column has selections organized by topics with a "+" next to the name so I know that more options will slide down – intuitive. The sub-tab "video" also switches the content to a video demo of the technique, as expected.	good	Consistency



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15	The "My friends" is cut off! Or maybe the friend-names are just aligned strangely?	critical	Usability
16	How do I join a lounge? I am kind of expecting a "Join" button or something that would tell me more about a lounge before I join?	major	Learnability
17	The clickable area for each of the lounge-name texts extends the entire row, not very consistent with other text links in other parts of the site. Is that how to join a lounge? I would expect clicking on the lounge-name would tell me more or bring me to another page where I can view who's in the lounge, decide to join or not, etc.	minor	Error prevention, consistency, learnability