Smartphone Mobile Computing

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Who we are

- Gaetano Borriello
 PhD UC Berkeley 1988
 Industry experience at Xerox PARC ('80-'85) and Intel ('01-'06)
 Background in VLSI, CAD, embedded systems, ubicomp
 Most recently mobile applications for low-income settings
- Temitope Oluwafemi Grad student in EE

Overview for Today

- Mobile computing on smartphones
- Capabilities and trends
- Applications
- Course structure and goals
- Group projects

The Main Questions for this Quarter

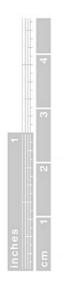
- What makes mobile computing on phones different than mobile computing on laptops or tablets?
- What are some of the computer science and engineering concepts that are most relevant?
- What are the applications that best showcase the differences?
- In what contexts are these applications being used and why?
- How do we build these applications?

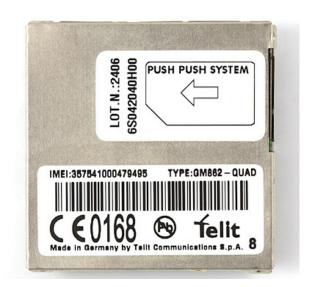
Technology Trends

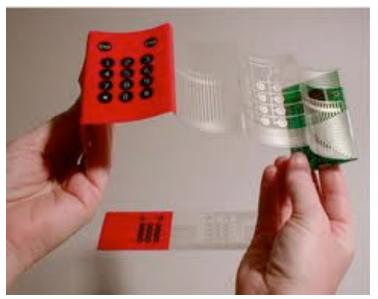
- Size
- Wireless connectivity and bandwidth
- Computing power and storage
- Sensors
- Power

Size



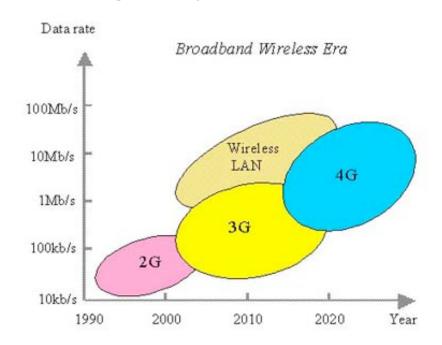






Wireless connectivity and bandwidth

- 1G early 1980s voice
- 2G early 1990s GSM, SMS, digital voice
- 2.5G stepping stone to 3G, GPRS
- 3G early 2000s faster data transmission, higher capacity
- 4G early 2010s even higher-speed data, no standard



Computing power

Processors

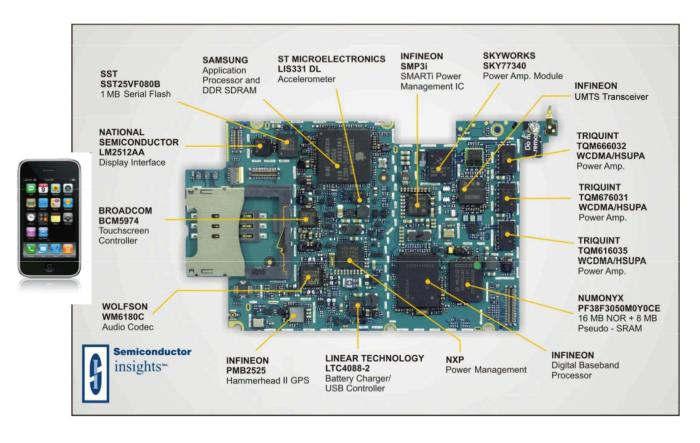
- 50MHz to 2GHz
- multiple processors: baseband processing, networking, apps, I/O, etc.

Memory

- .5GB ROM
- .5GB RAM

Storage

32GB SD



Sensors and User Interface

- Camera + flash
- Microphone + speakers
- Accelerometer
- Barometer/altimeter
- GPS
- Proximity infrared
- Ambient light
- Compass
- Gyroscopes
- Touch screens
- Depth-ranging IR cameras
- Pico-projectors

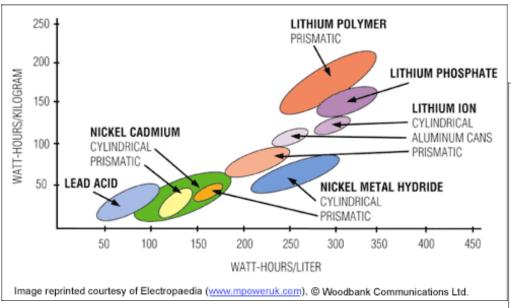


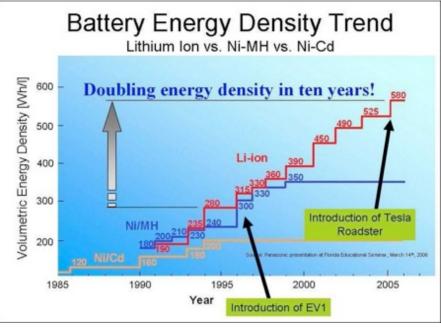




Power

- Typical stand-by time of 10 days, talk time of 8 hrs
- Batteries and Moore's Law

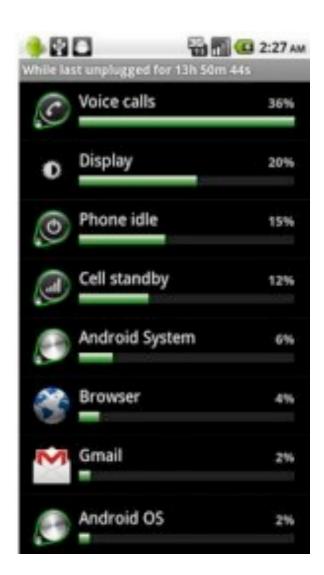




Power

■ Power budget of 1400 mAh

| | Average Current Consumption in Talk Mode | Average Current Consumption in Standby Mode |
|----------------------------|--|---|
| Subcircuit | mA | μА |
| Digital Base Band + Memory | 19+6 | 300 + 40 |
| Analog Base Band | 9 | 150 |
| SIM | 1 | 60 |
| RF | 32 | 50 |
| PA | 200 | 770 |
| PM (Housekeeping) | 3 | 220 |
| Misc. Other | 5275 | 670 |
| Total Current Consumption | | 2,260 |



Phone types

- Basic phones (voice, SMS) low-tier
- Feature phones (basic apps, data comm) mid-tier
- Smart phones (more apps, web, GPS) high-tier













Nokia C1 Nokia C5 iPhone4

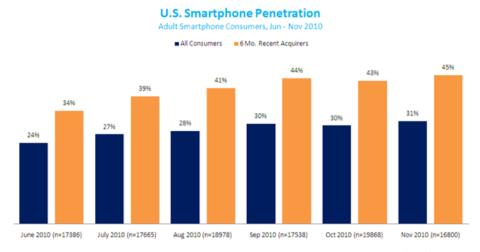
Nexus One

BB Torch

Window7

Market Share

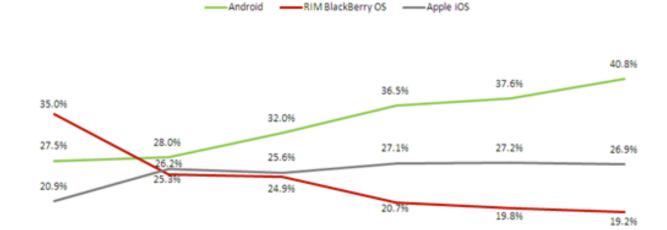
- In US, about 45% of new phones are smartphones, rest are feature phones, virtually no low-tier phones
- Smartphones currently evenly split between Apple, RIM, and Android – about 25-30% each, Microsoft and Nokia take up remainder
- In emerging economies, low-tier phones are still the largest segment but feature phones are gaining



Recent OS market share

U.S. Smartphone Operating System Share - 6 Mo. Recent Acquirers





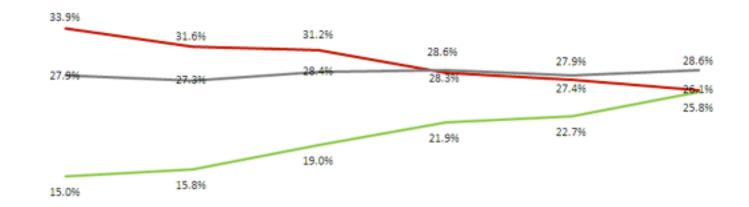
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Cumulative OS market share

U.S. Smartphone Operating System Share

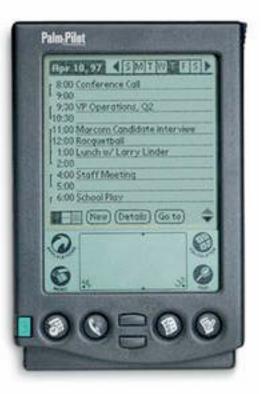






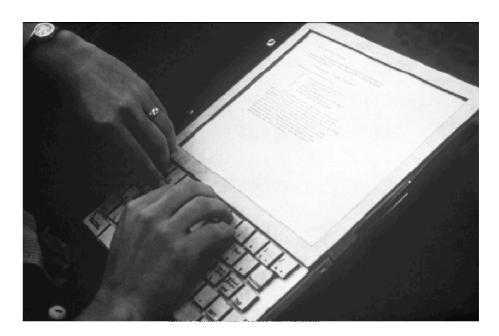
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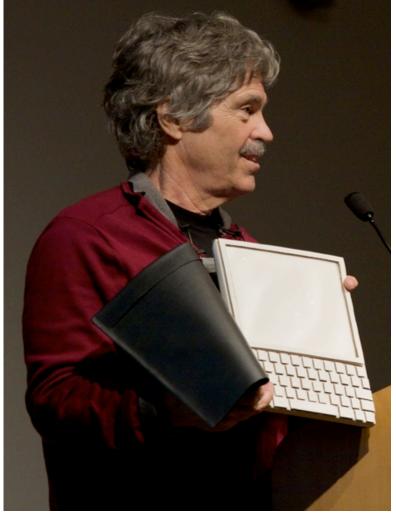












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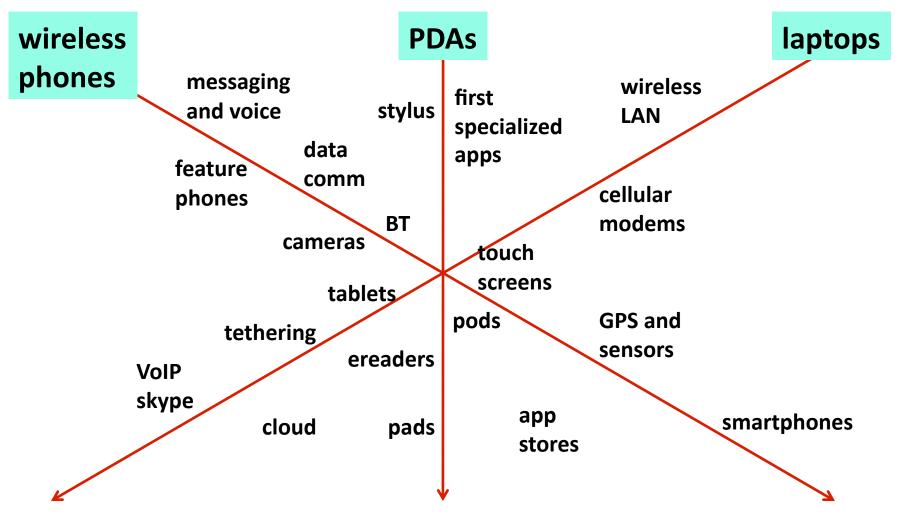








Convergence



Convergence

- PDAs + phones = smartphones
- Laptop data connectivity now on phones (e.g., email, web)
- Diversity of messaging modes
- What really distinguishes devices?
 - computing power?
 - apps?
 - input/output?
 - screen size?
 - usage models?

What devices do we carry around? Why?

Deep vs. shallow web

The web through the desktop is a deep web

- many steps to get to information we want
- ample time to sift and collect
- multi-purpose tools, e.g., browsers
- we need search engines and bookmarking

The web through the phone is a shallow web

- information must be ready when needed
- interactions must be short and direct.
- single-purpose tools, e.g., apps
- with hundreds of thousands of apps, how do we find what we need?

Sharing and disseminating is a need in both spaces

Classification of Applications

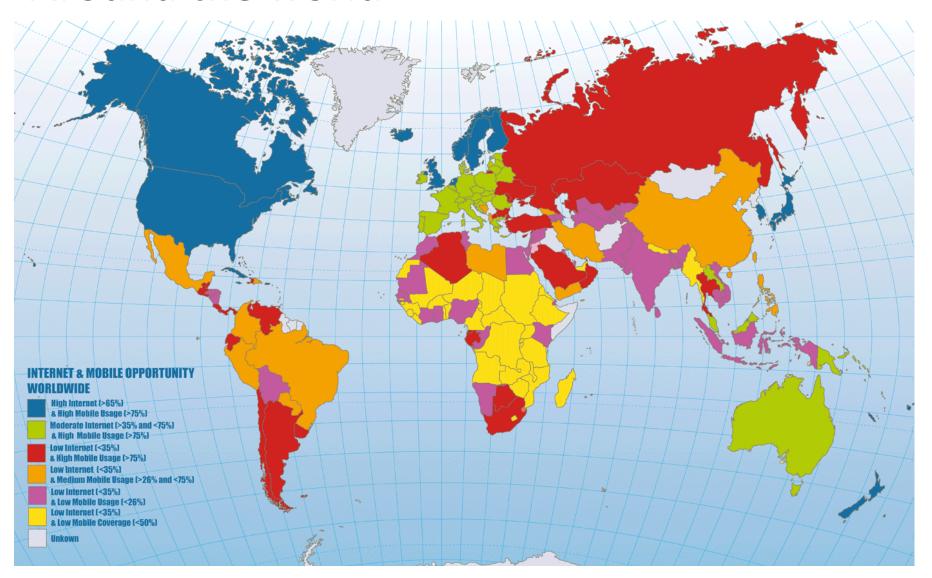
- In what situations is it used?
- What context information is needed?
- How automatically does the application gather its inputs?
 - what sensors does the application exploit? is the user involved?
- Is the application self-contained?
 - does the application need to connect to web or cloud?
- How much communication does it require? and in which direction?
- How much storage does it use? where?

Exercise: some examples applications

Choose two of your favorite applications and fill-in columns

| Арр | Use | Context | Sensors | Self- contained | Comm requirements | Storage requirements |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Shazam | Identify and purchase music | None | Recording initiated by user | No, server does song matching | Synchronous to server | Just for recording |
| OneBusAway | When next bus will arrive | Current location | GPS/WiFi | No, server provides bus data | Synchronous | MInimal |
| Twitter | Status updates | None | None | No, server propagates message | Asynchronous | Message queue |
| Bar code scanner | Read barcodes | None | Camera, scan positioned by user | Yes, to read; No, to get reviews/buy | Synchronous | None |
| Pedometer | Count steps and calories | Motion throughout the day | Accelerometr y, location | Yes, eventually upload data | Asynchronous | Sensor samples |

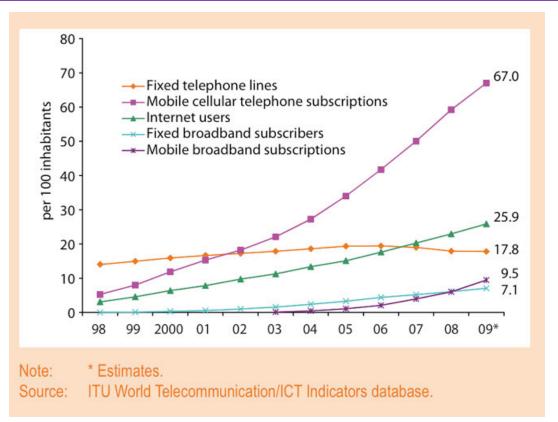
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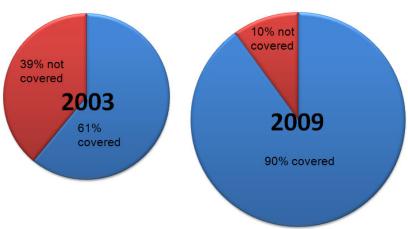
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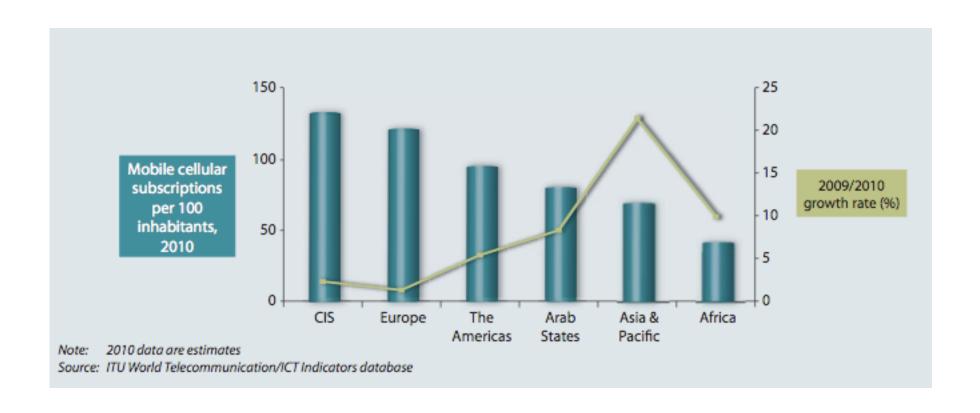
- Phones are the personal computing device
- Most of the world's population will reach the web through phones, not desktops
- What new models will emerge?



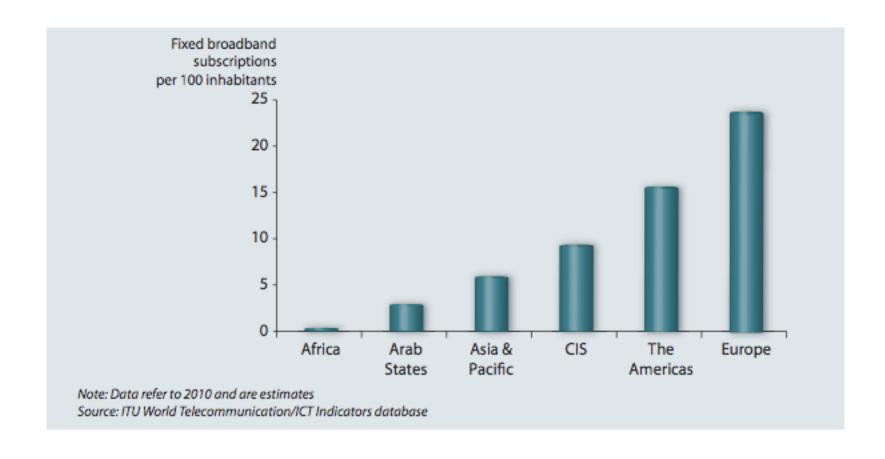
Percentage of the world's population covered by a mobile cellular signal, 2003 compared to 2009



Mobile still rising



Broadband gap



Course Logistics

- Lectures/discussions
 - we only have 8 of these (MLK and Presidents' Day)
- Readings
 - a couple of hours per week
- Project (weekly assignments
 - email/phone interactions to converge on topics
 - individual research paper as possible alternative
- Web site has (or will have) the information you should need
 - http://www.cs.washington.edu/csep590b/11wi/

About you

Gaetano Borriello

Professor for 23 years University of Washington Hometown: Napoli, Italia

Hobby:

Walking around (smallish) islands.

Interests:

How to use mobile phones to improve the lives of people in lowincome settings.

Understanding how technology trends will lead to different usage models.

Working with a larger team to put these ideas and technologies into practice and everyday use.



Your 3 favorite mobile apps

- Find apps on Android Market and Apple's AppStore if you don't have them already
- Ideally download and experiment with them
- Describe them as we did tonight with the taxonomy
- Explain why they are truly "mobile" apps

Declare your interests and brainstorm