

CS 160

User Interface Design



Fall 2015

# CS160

## USER INTERFACE DESIGN

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# INTRODUCTION

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# TOPICS FOR TODAY

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Course Overview

Project Description

Course Mechanics

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cs160\\_FL2015/gobears.html](http://teaching.paulos.net/cs160_FL2015/gobears.html)

Enrollment....

AM session will end a bit early TODAY...

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## CS 160 Lecture 1 Sign-in

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Name \*

Email \*

Student ID \*

Enrollment Status \*

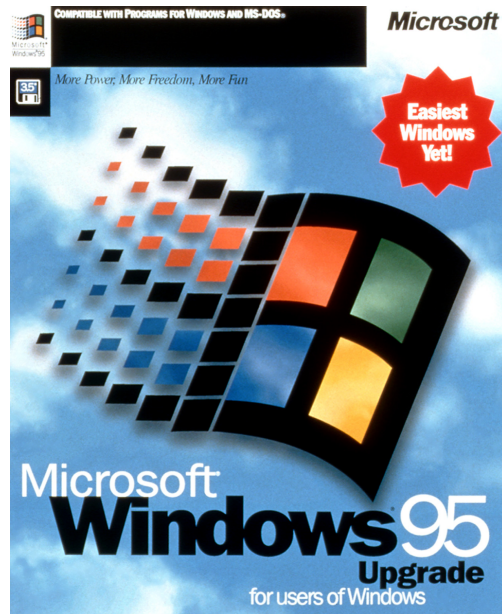
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PROFESSOR



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browser: **Mosaic**

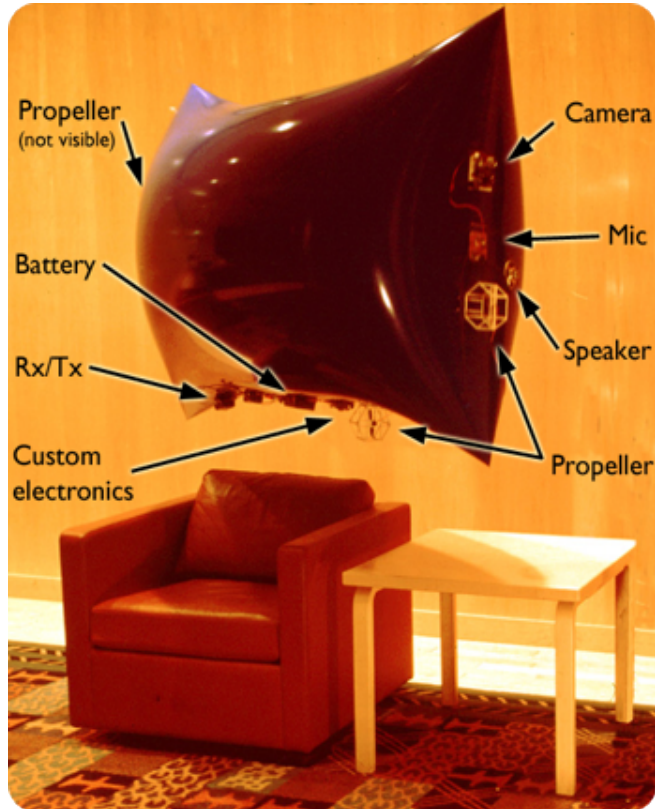
search engine: **Lycos**

social networking: **The Well / Usenet**

mobile platform: **Palm Pilot**

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PRoPs  
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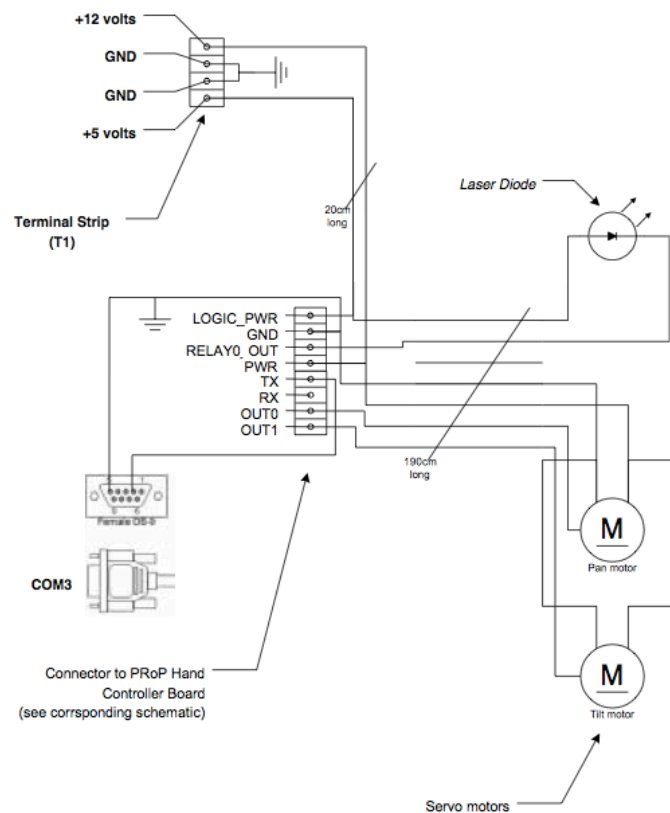
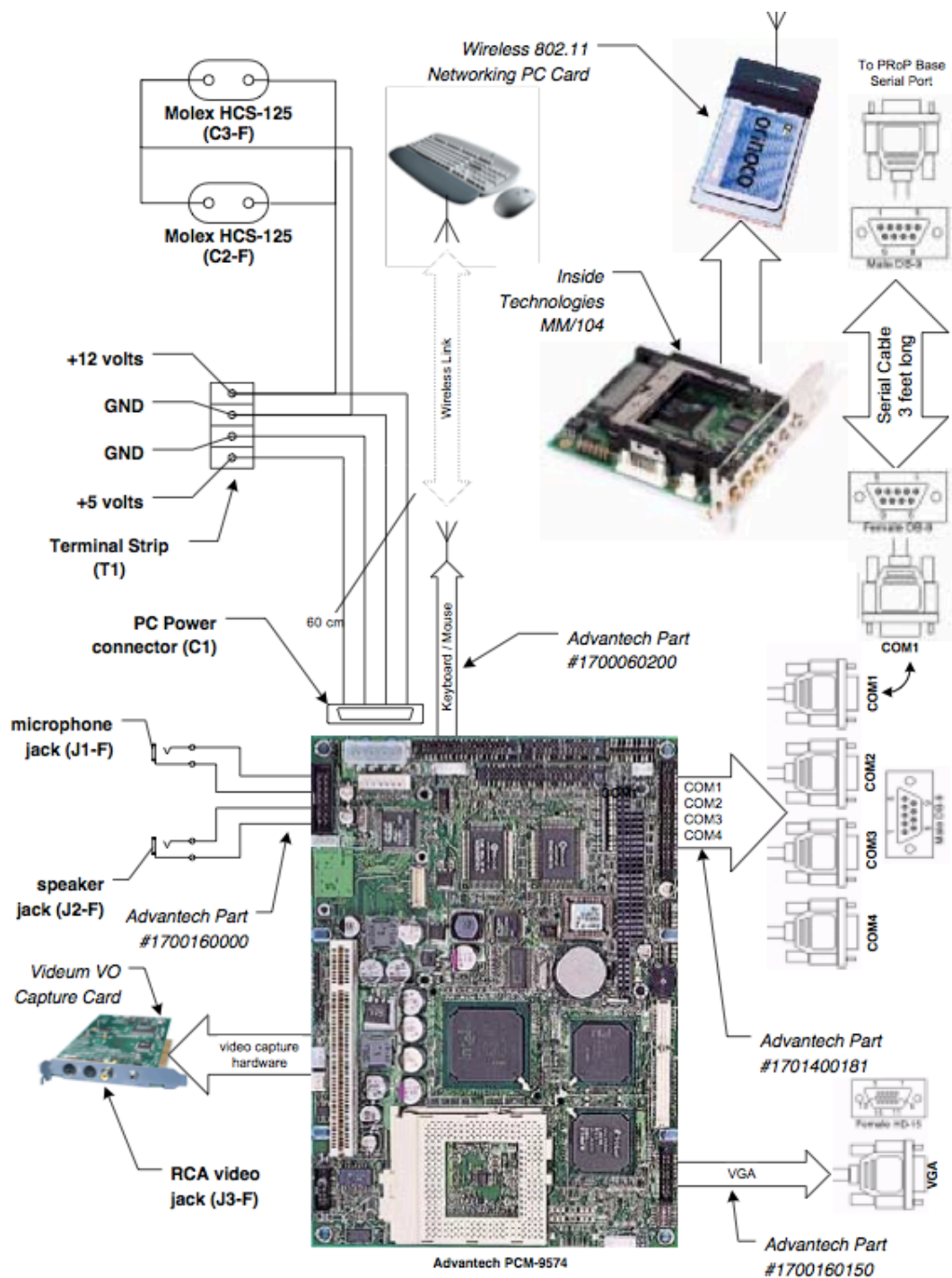


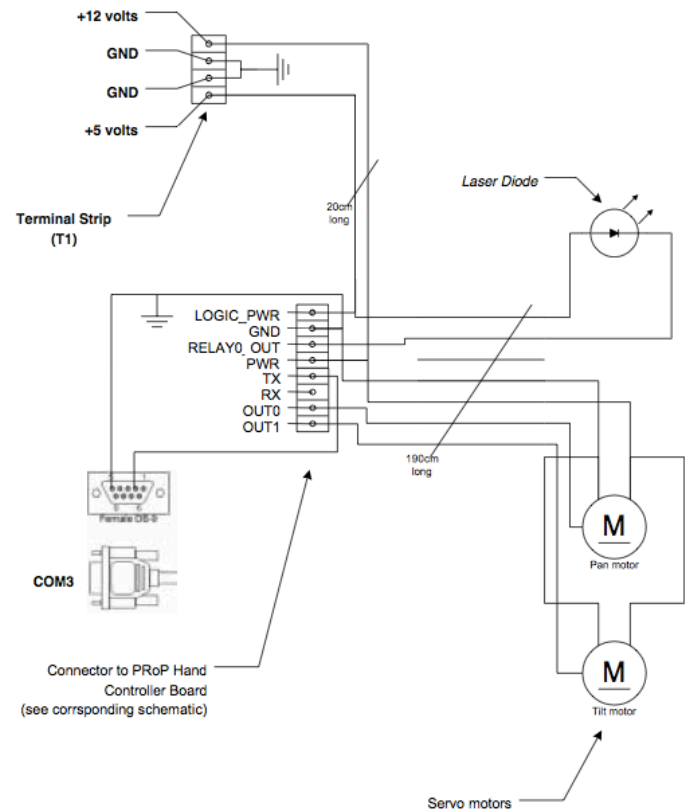








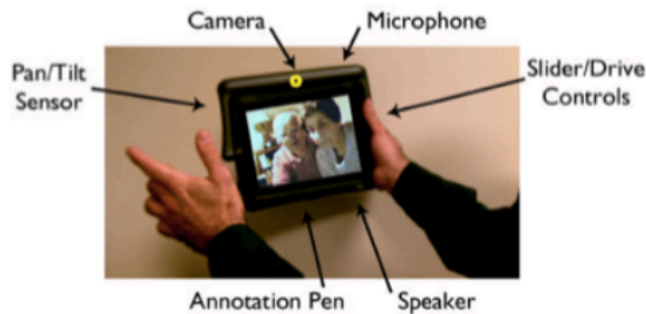








1995

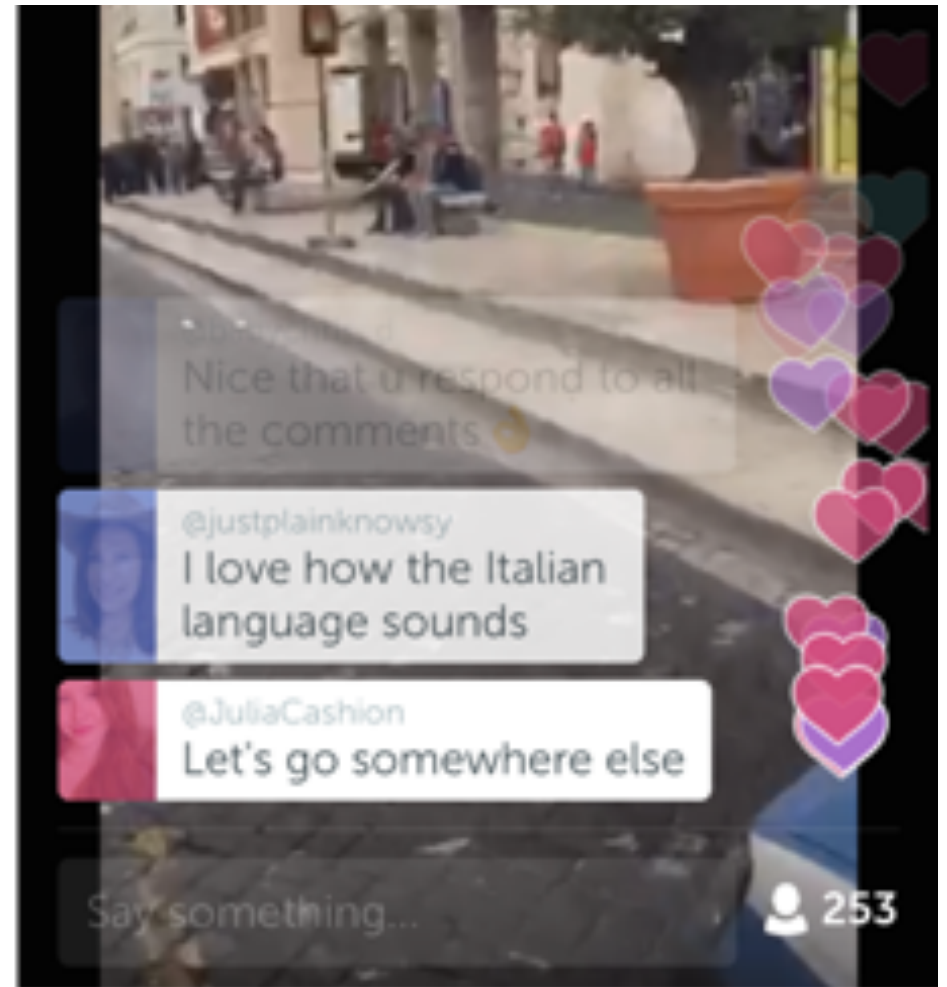


2012



**PRoPs** as shown in **1995** (left column) for remote instruction, communication, and with a tablet interface. These same usage models and interfaces 17 years later (right column) in **Double Robotics 2012** tele-robotic product.





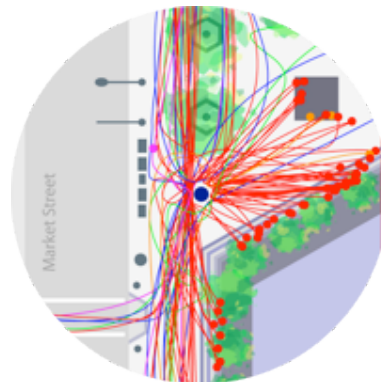
The **Tele-Actor** interface from **2000** (left) showing collaborative communication and voting to direct a remote user's actions over live video and (right) the current interface for **Twitter's Periscope** from **2015** where a remote user receives instructions and "heart" votes as feedback to direct their actions.



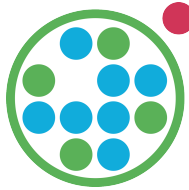
# URBAN ATMOSPHERES

Eric Paulos  
Chris Beckmann  
Elizabeth Goodman  
RJ Honicky  
Ben Hooker  
Tom Jenkins  
August Joki  
Chris Myers  
Ian Smith  
Parul Vora



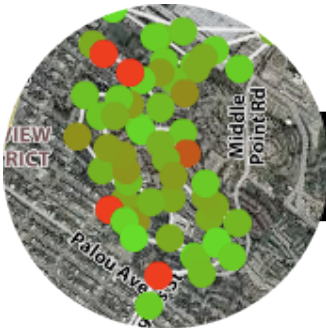






living environments lab

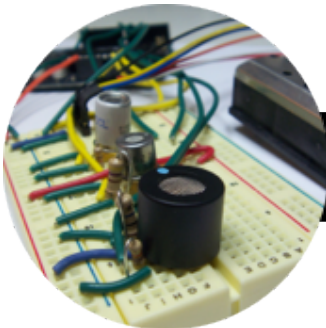
a collaborative research laboratory  
focusing on the critical intersection of  
human life, our living planet, and technology



Citizen Science



Energy Materiality



DIY Culture



Collaborative Consumption



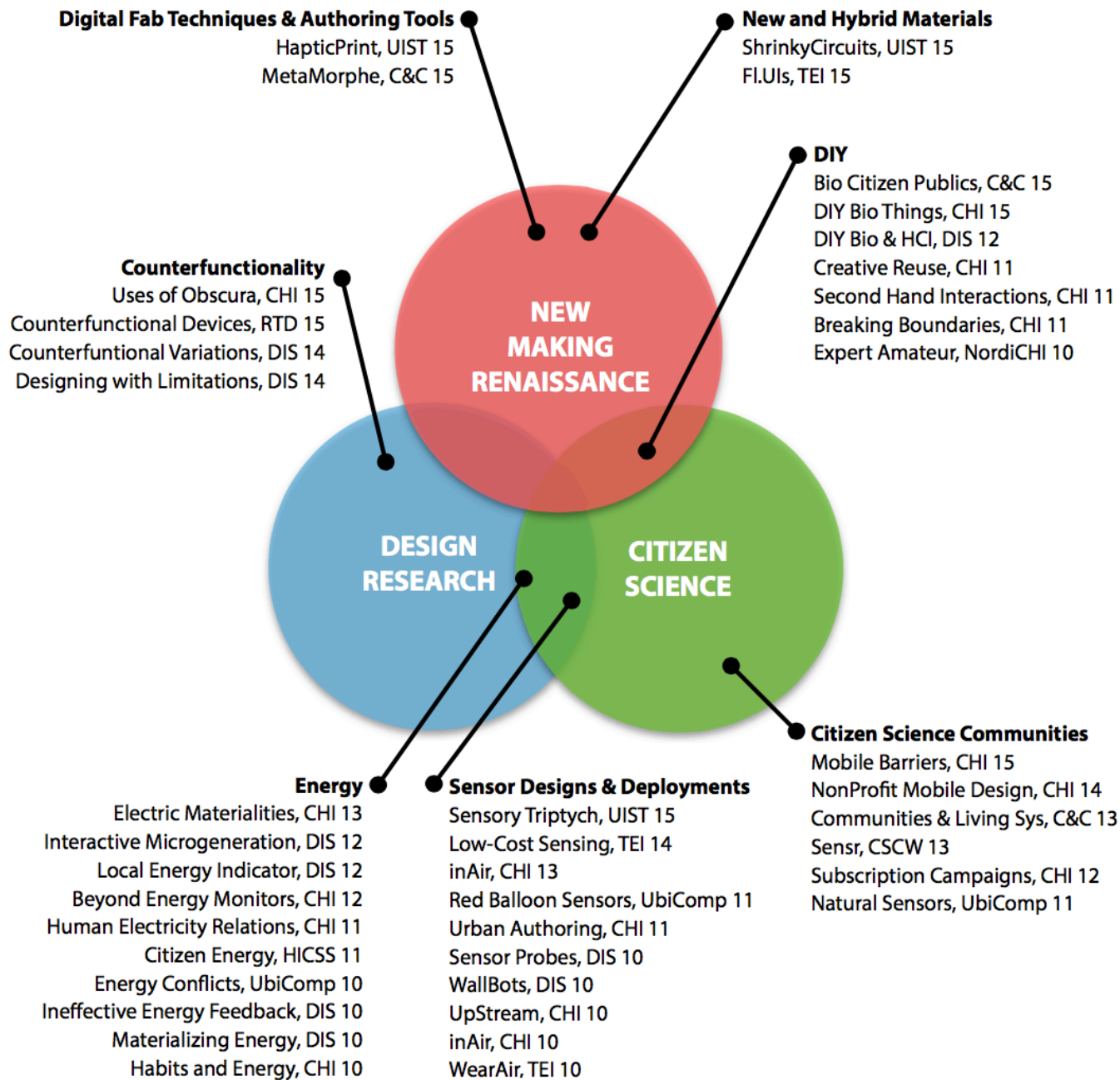
Spectacle Computing



Micro Volunteerism













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**TRICIA FU**

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**JINGYI LI**

GSI





**JASPER O' LEARY**

GSI





**SARINA GROSS**

Reader



**ERIC QUACH**

Reader





**MATTHEW WALIMAN**

Reader



# THIS COURSE

Is about reliably building very good interactive systems

The goal is not to build a working system, but an **interactive prototype**

We place emphasis on **fieldwork**, **rapid prototyping** and **user testing** to find the right design and avoid obvious and not-so-obvious mistakes.

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ADDRESS REGISTER

DATA

RUN BUS FETCH EXEC

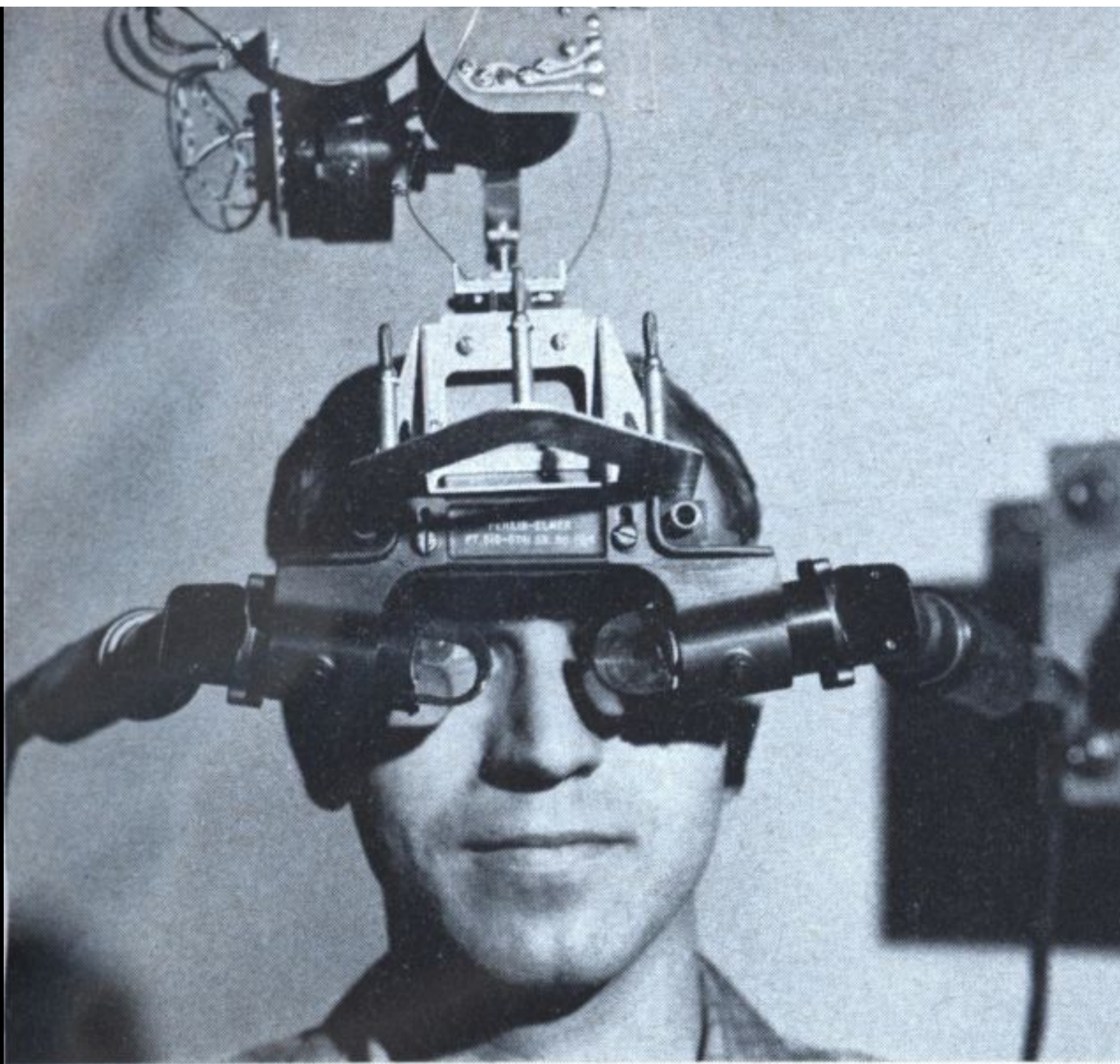
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# SMART WATCH





2014



# MOTO 360



# THIS COURSE

This semester we focus on  
**smart watch** and **mobile**  
applications





ANDROID

studio



# REQUIREMENTS

- CS160 is an upper division course
- You will work extensively on one significant programming project.
- To participate fully in this course, you are required to have taken CS61 B or have equivalent knowledge.
- We will assume that you are familiar with Java and are comfortable coding a large-scale project.
- You are required to own an Android phone running at least Android version 5.0 (lollipop) that can be used for development, deployment, documentation, and evaluation of your work.
- Cannot use a Tablet running Android



# ANDROID PHONE SHOPPING

Phones must be running at Android version 5.0 (lollipop).

No Tablets, must be an Android phone.

## No-Contract Android 5.0+ Recommendations

Model	Price (Approx.)	Carrier	Retailer
Motorola Moto E	\$60	Verizon	Amazon
HTC Desire 526	\$70	Verizon	BestBuy
LG Leon LTE	\$70	T-Mobile	BestBuy
Samsung Galaxy J1	\$80	T-Mobile	Amazon
LG Tribute Duo	\$100	Sprint	Amazon

# ENROLLMENT

How do I get into this class?

# **OVERSUBSCRIBED BY 100+ STUDENTS**

We are scaling CS160 by 2X

Design and project centric courses don't scale well

Waitlist ... VERY UNLIKELY

Everyone needs to fill out a Group Petition (Due week 3)



# IMPORTANT!!!!

Roughly first half of semester will be lectures (some required attendance – see syllabus)

Some lectures will be video recorded

There will be a midterm on 22 Oct in class

Second half of semester will be studio classes

Mandatory attendance in Studio (more on this later)

There will be a final Critique on 10 Dec (No final)

**YOU MUST SIGN IN TODAY  
BY END OF CLASS (2:30PM)**

**&**

**ATTEND AND SIGN IN TO  
SECTION ON FRIDAY**

**IF YOU DON'T WE'LL DROP  
YOU**

**CAUTION**

**BE VERY CAREFUL  
IN OPERATING  
THIS MACHINE**



**IF THIS IS NOT THE CLASS FOR  
YOU...**

**PLEASE DROP IMMEDIATELY!**

**...GIVE OTHERS A FAIR CHANCE  
TO GET IN**

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# COURSE OVERVIEW

HCI, UI, Usability, Iterative Design

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# HUMAN-COMPUTER INTERACTION (HCI)

## Human

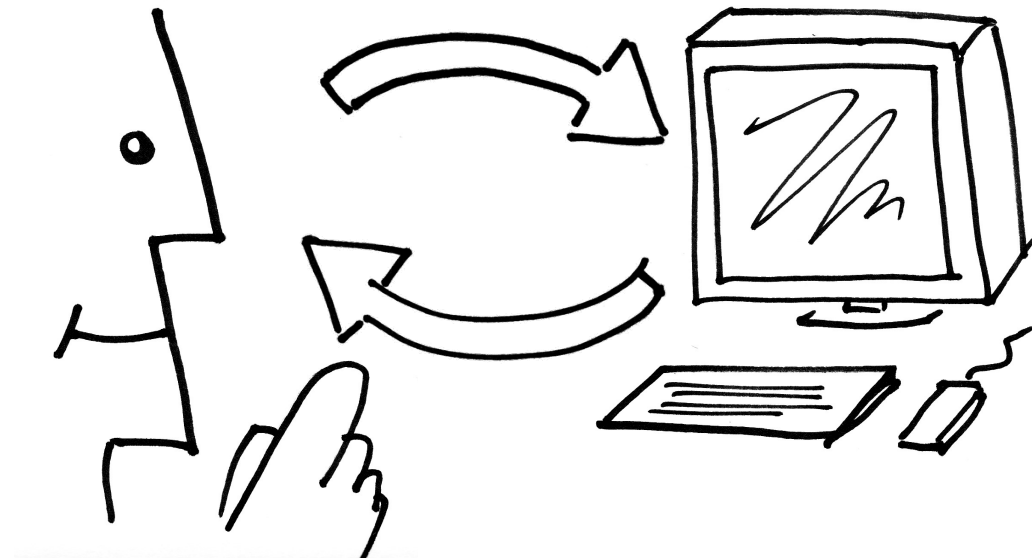
- End-user of program
- Others (friends, collaborators, coworkers)

## Computer

- Machine program runs on
- Often split: clients & servers

## Interaction

- User tells the computer what they want
- Computer communicates results





# USER INTERFACES (UI)

Part of application that allows

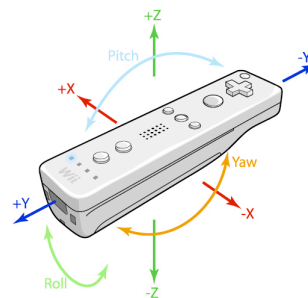
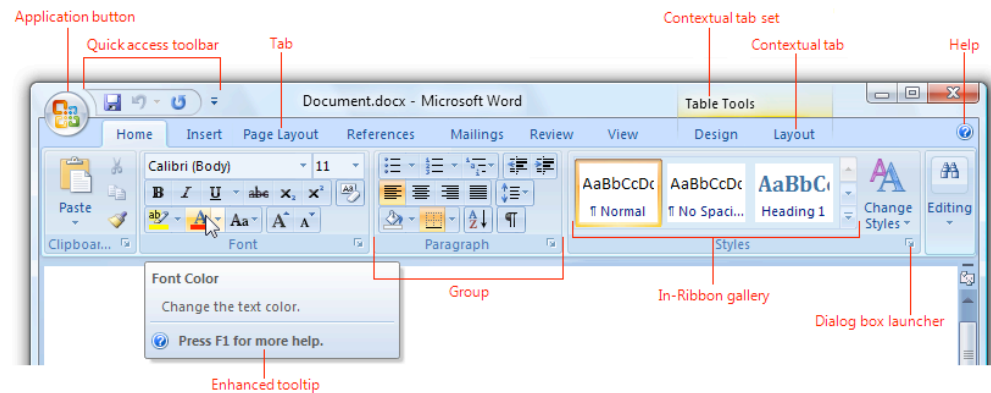
- People to interact with computer
- Computer to communicate results

Can include hardware design

- Buttons, sliders, other sensors

HCI =

design, prototyping, implementation & evaluation of UIs



<http://www.reactable.com>

# WHY STUDY USER INTERFACES?

*The results show that in today's applications, an average of **48% of the code** is devoted to the user interface portion.*

*The average time spent on the user interface portion is 45% during the design phase, 50% during the implementation phase, and 37% during the maintenance phase.*

*– Myers & Rosson, CHI'92*

# WHY STUDY USER INTERFACES?

Major part of work for “real” programs (approx 50%)

You will work on “real” software

Intended for people other than yourself

Bad user interfaces cost

Money, Lives, Votes, ...

User interfaces hard to get right

People are unpredictable



# LIFE-THREATENING ERRORS

1995 American Airlines jet crashed into canyon wall, killing all aboard

On approach to **Rozo** airport in Colombia  
Pilot skipped some of the approach procedures

Pilot typed in “**R**” and system completed full name of airport to **Romeo**

Guidance system executed turn at low altitude to head for Romeo airport

9 seconds later plane struck canyon wall

Is the pilot to blame?

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/American\\_Airlines\\_Flight\\_965](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/American_Airlines_Flight_965)

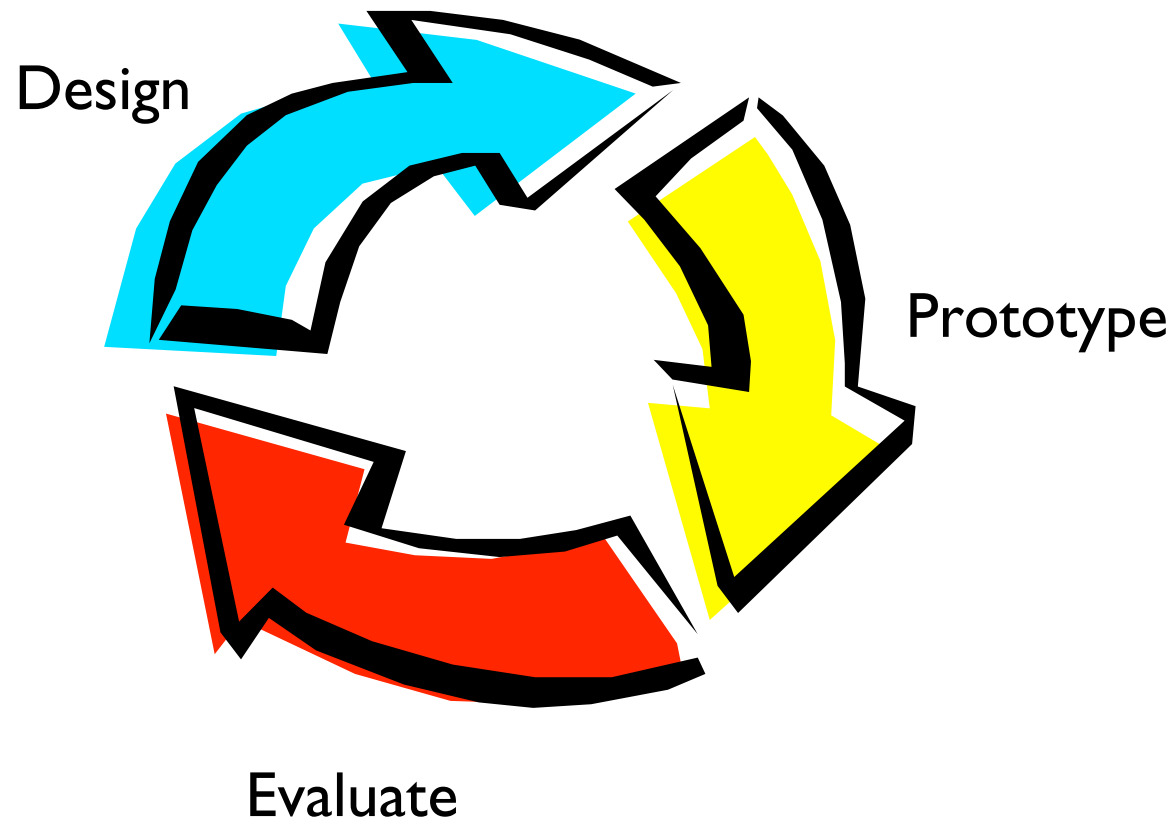


# WHO BUILDS INTERFACES?

Ideally a team of specialists

- graphic designers
- interaction / user experience designers
- technical writers
- marketers
- test engineers
- software engineers
- customers

# INTERFACE DESIGN CYCLE





# **BUILDING SUCCESSFUL INTERFACES**

1. Task analysis & contextual inquiry
2. Rapid prototyping
3. Evaluation
4. Iteration: Back to 1

# TASK ANALYSIS & CONTEXTUAL INQUIRY

Observe existing practices

Create scenarios of actual use

Create models to gain insight into work processes



# RAPID PROTOTYPING

Build a mock-up of design  
(or more!)

Low fidelity techniques

Paper sketches

Cut, copy, paste

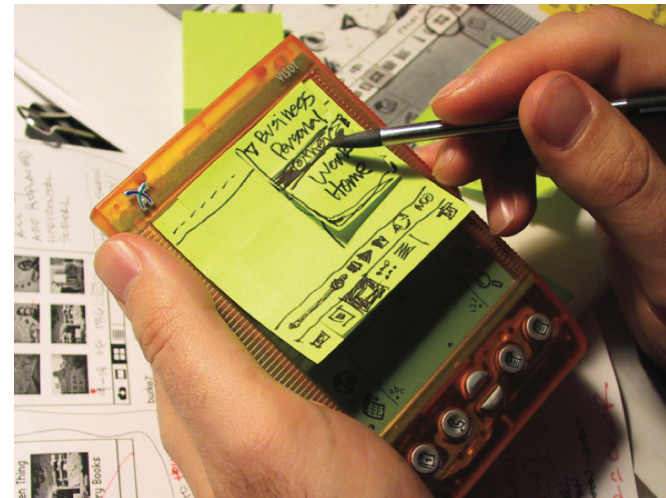
Video segments

Interactive prototyping tools

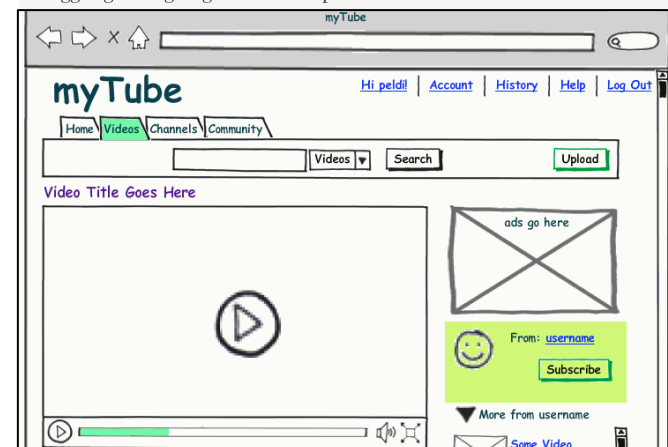
HTML, Flash, Javascript,  
Visual Basic, C#, etc.

UI builders

Interface Builder, Visual Studio, NetBeans



Moggridge, Designing Interactions, p.704



<http://www.balsamiq.com/products/mockups/examples#wiki>



# EVALUATION

Evaluate analytically (no users)

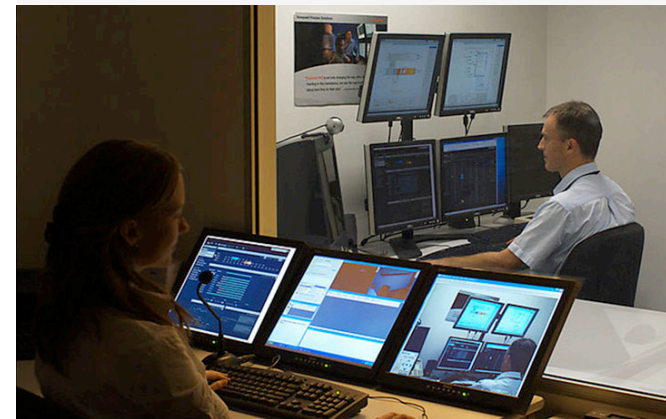
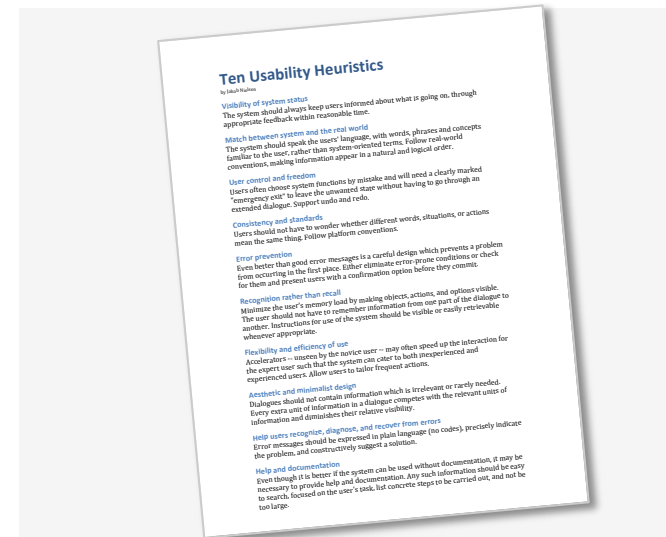
Test with real target users

Low-cost techniques

expert evaluation  
walkthroughs

Higher cost

Controlled usability study



<http://www.laurasmith.info/UsabilityTest.jpg>

# GOALS OF THE COURSE

Learn to design, prototype, evaluate interfaces

- Discover tasks of prospective users
- Cognitive/perceptual constraints that effect design
- Techniques for evaluating an interface design
- Importance of iterative design for usability
- Technology used to prototype & implement UI code
- How to work together on a team project
- Communicate your results to a group

Many of these will be key aspects of your future jobs

# CS160 AND THE CS CURRICULUM

Most courses for learning algorithms and technology

Compilers, operating systems, databases, etc.

CS160 concerned with

**design, implementation & evaluation**

We assume you are comfortable programming

Technology as a tool to evaluate via prototyping





# CLASS PROJECT OVERVIEW

Smartwatch and Mobile Applications Developed in Teams

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# THEME: MOBILE APPLICATIONS

Smartwatch and Mobile applications are different:

- Small (Round) Screens
- Different tasks (local search, not word processing)
- I/O constraints (slow text entry, small ocular angle, fat fingers, etc)
- Input opportunities: Sensing (touch, orientation, acceleration, location, camera)
- Hands free interaction
- Always on and available
- Portability
- Context of use
- Internet connectivity

# COURSE PLATFORM: ANDROID

- First coding assignments can be completed in the emulator
- Android Studio (Java and Android SDK)
- Assignment Types:
  - **PROG**: Programming assignments to help you get up to speed on working with Android and Android Wear Watch
  - **DESIGN**: Design assignments to allow you to explore the HCI material in practice unrelated to a specific hardware platform
  - **FEED**: Feedback about groups and teamwork
  - **PROJECT**: The main team based assignment



# TEAMS

## Groups will form in Week 5

- 4-5 students to a team
- You'll work with students with different skills/interests
- Names of students who drop after 22 Sept will be forwarded to next semesters CS160 instructor

## Cumulative

- Apply several HCI methods to a single interface

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# COURSE MECHANICS

Office Hours, Sections, Course Website, bCourses, Hackster.io, Assignments

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# **CS160 HAS A HEAVY WORKLOAD**





# PREREQUISITES

You must be comfortable with programming.

Individual programming assignments require you to write code in Java with the Android SDK.

You must be able to attend one of the sections.

You must commit to working with your assigned team on your group project.

# OFFICE HOURS, SECTIONS

## Office Hours

See our course webpage:

<http://hci.berkeley.edu/cs160>

## Sections

Friday .... Did you vote?

**Section starts TOMORROW**

**Bring your laptop to section**

# SECTIONS FOR FIRST WEEK

Topic: Installing the Android SDK and working with the Android Emulator

i.e. - how to get started with your programming homework

Attend a section this Friday (TOMORROW)

Which section: Fill out the doodle poll (see Piazza)

Section assignments after Friday

Vote for section you would like to attend (see Piazza)

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## PM Sign-in

<http://goo.gl/forms/f7g27B7Ndm>



**CLASS WEBSITE:**

**[TEACHING.PAULOS.NET/CS160](http://TEACHING.PAULOS.NET/CS160)**

# READINGS

Readings are very important to the class

Make sure you do the reading before class.

Midterm will include topics only covered in readings

Readings will be posted on bCourses and Website

Online reading discussions (ongoing assignment)

You must post one substantial answer or comment per lecture, **before** class. We will not accept late comments. Comments are the **major factor in your class participation grade**.

Your reading response should be posted using the assignment tool on bCourses

# REACHING US

Questions about course material, assignments:

Piazza

Grades and Assignments:

bCourses

Private questions:

If other students will benefit from an answer, ask publicly on Piazza. If it's personal, use Piazza private messaging feature.

**Do not email us directly**

# ASSIGNMENTS

Several individual programming assignments during first half of semester. Goals:

- Make sure you have the skills to implement your group project
- Individual performance metric

## Design assignments

- Practice design and evaluation
- Also an individual performance metric

Group project assignments throughout semester



# ASSESSMENT

The goal of CS160 is to teach you to design and evaluate interfaces

Specific assessment guidelines will be given in each assignment

Good communication expected in oral & written presentations

Groups self-assess participation  
(you evaluate your team mates and vice versa).

# GRADING

**20%** Participation (Attendance, Reading responses, class, bCourses)

**20%** Individual Programming & Design Assignments

**25%** Midterm

**35%** Project Assignments

# POLICIES

## Late Assignments

- Most assignments will be due before class on the due date
- Group assignments will not be accepted late
- Individual assignments lose 33% per day (weekends count)

## Cheating (official)

- Will get you an F in the course
- More than once can get you dismissed from Cal

# MORE ON ATTENDANCE

There are 8 required classes this semester

How many classes do you miss? What is the highest grade you can get in this class...if you get perfect score on everything else:

- 0      highest potential grade 100%      A
- 1      highest potential grade 97.5%      A
- 2      highest potential grade 95%      A
- 3      highest potential grade 92.5%      A-
- 4      highest potential grade 90%      A-
- 5      highest potential grade 87.5%      A-
- 6      highest potential grade 85%      B+
- 7      highest potential grade 82.5%      B
- 8      highest potential grade 80%      B-



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# ASSIGNMENTS ARE ON THE SCHEDULE

## Syllabus

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### 26 AUG • WEEK 1

#### AM Introduction (REQUIRED)

Slides

The first day of class will be held in Sibley Auditorium.

Assignment: Reading Response (due before class on Thur 03 Sep)

Assignment: PROG 01: You Animal! (due by 11:59pm on 11 Sep)

Assignment: DESIGN 01: Watches in the Wild (due before class 10 Sep)

#### PM Wearable Computing (REQUIRED)

Slides

Section: Android Introduction

### 03 SEP • WEEK 2

#### AM The Design Cycle, Brainstorming, and Critique

Slides

**Reading:** Rogers, Y., Sharp, H., & Preece, J. (2011). *Interaction Design: Beyond Human-Computer Interaction* (3rd ed. ed.), pp- 9-18.

**Reading:** History of the Smart Watch Literature Review

#### PM Storyboard, Scenarios, and Personas

Slides

**Reading:** How to Run a Design Critique by Scott Berkun

**Reading:** How to Give and Receive Criticism by Scott Berkun

**Reading:** Chapter 4: Analyzing User Research in Designing the iPhone User Experience: A User-Centered Approach to Sketching and Prototyping

# ASSIGNMENT: READING RESPONSE

Due Tue, before class.

Reading is posted on bCourses

Respond to prompt on bCourses about the reading (text)

Will be graded

3 = excellent

2 = good

1 = poor

0 = no answer

03 SEP • WEEK 2

AM The Design Cycle, Brainstorming, and Critique

Slides

Reading: Rogers, Y., Sharp, H., & Preece, J. (2011). *Interaction Design: Beyond Human-Computer Interaction*

Reading: History of the Smart Watch Literature Review

## Reading Response (2 Sep)

Read:

Rogers, Y., Sharp, H., & Preece, J. (2011). [Interaction Design: Beyond Human-Computer Interaction](#) (3rd ed.), pp- 9-18.

[Interaction design chap 1.pdf](#)

Prompt:

Think about a recent frustrating experience you have had interacting with a digital device or system. Discuss how one or more of the four elements of the design interaction process (p. 15) could have improved the design.

# DESIGN 01: WATCH IN THE WILD

The goal of this assignment is to introduce you to iterative design.

That way, during the main course project, the steps of the design process will be more familiar.

You will

**observe and interview users**

**brainstorm**


**prototype**


**get feedback**



# PROG 01: YOU ANIMAL

## PROG 01: You Animal

 Publish

 Edit

In your first assignment you will learn how to:

- Install the Android SDK and developer tools
- Start programming with the Android SDK
- Build a simple Android application and test it in the emulator

You will build an **animal years** app

You know how it goes. You're having coffee with your friends when suddenly the age old debate breaks out - "So how old are you in hippopotamus years?" Luckily, you have your trusty **You Animal** converter app that you built in CS160. You can enter your current age (in human years) and automatically be given your age if you were a dog, cat, kangaroo, or even hippopotamus.

You will submit your source code, the executable, **screenshots and a narrated video**. It is your responsibility to ensure that the executable has all the resources it needs to execute.

## Instructions

1. **Choose a development machine:** You should be able to do development on your own laptop and we

# PROG 01: YOU ANIMAL

The main view should be the age converter.

- Provide a text field for entering an age in human years and a radio button to select the target animal age
- Provide a text field for showing the converted value (target animal age)
- Provide a button to update the converted value

This is by no means a brilliant design for an animal age converter. You are free to design your own app provided that it has the functionality as enumerated above.



Source Animal

- ☒ Human  
☐ Dog  
☐ Cat

Age in Years

25

Target Animal

- ☐ Human  
☒ Dog  
☐ Cat

Age in Years 6.86813186813

# HACKSTER.IO

hackster.io

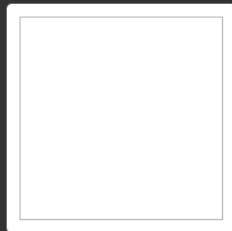
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Projects

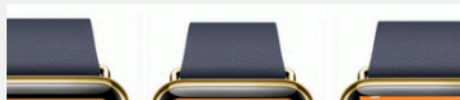
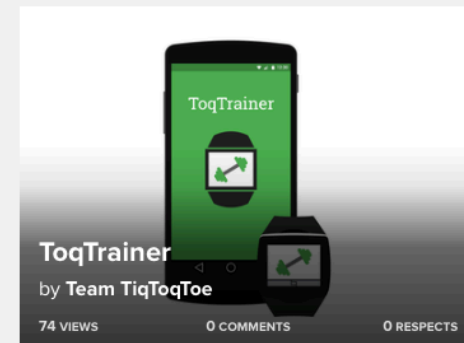
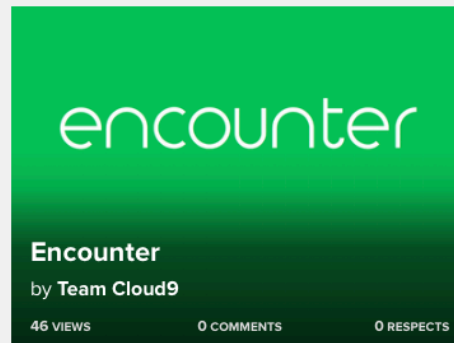
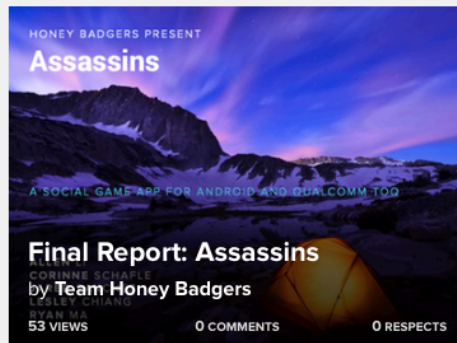
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